Multiple View Geometry: Exercise Sheet 2



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- Given a rotation matrix R ∈ SO(3), show that it is indeed a rigid body motion.
 Hint: Consider rotating a vector v with R, what properties should Rv satisfy so that R is a rigid body motion?
- Let A be a real symmetric matrix, and λ_a, λ_b eigenvalues with eigenvectors v_a and v_b. Prove: if v_a and v_b are not orthogonal, it follows: λ_a = λ_b.
 Hint: What can you say about (Av_a, v_b)?
- 3. Given two unit vectors u and v (i.e. ||u|| = ||v|| = 1), does the vector w := u + v bisect the angle between u and v?

Hint: Denote the angle between u and v as θ and the angle between w and u as α , what can you say about $\langle u, v \rangle$ and $\langle u, w \rangle$?

4. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a symmetric matrix with the orthonormal basis of eigenvectors v_1, \ldots, v_n and eigenvalues $\lambda_1 \ge \ldots \ge \lambda_n$. Find all vectors x, that minimize the following term:

$$\min_{||x||=1} x^{\top} A x$$

How many solutions exist? How can the term be maximized?

Hint: Use the expression $x = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i v_i$ with coefficients $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}$ and compute appropriate coefficients!

5. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. Prove that kernel $(A) = \text{kernel}(A^{\top}A)$.

Hint: Consider a) $x \in \text{kernel}(A) \Rightarrow x \in \text{kernel}(A^{\top}A)$ and b) $x \in \text{kernel}(A^{\top}A) \Rightarrow x \in \text{kernel}(A).$

6. Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

Let $A = USV^{\top}$ be the SVD of A.

- (a) Write down possible dimensions for A, U, S and V.
- (b) What are the similarities and differences between the SVD and the eigenvalue decomposition?
- (c) What do you know about the relationship between U, S, V and the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of $A^{\top}A$ and AA^{\top} ?
- (d) What is the interpretation of the entries in S and what do the entries of S tell us about A?