3D Sensing and Sensor Fusion

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Image: A matrix

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Motivation Subject Overview Content Requirements

3DSSF Teachers

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- 3D vision is a very important domain within computer engineering/science
 - Tasks are usually very challenging
 - Results are very spectacular
 - Needs both high theoretical and practical skills
- Several sensors can be connected to computers
- Different modalities have different benefits/disadvantages
 - Measured data can be fused to exploit the advantages

Motivation 2/2

System Overview of an Autonomous Vehicle



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Subject Overview (1/2)

- Goal: overview of (i) (advanced) 3D vision and (ii) sensor fusion methods
- In modern sensor setups, several devices applied
 - Digital cameras
 - Depth sensors (structured light, ToF,)
 - Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR): 3D and 2D
 - Global positioning system (GPS GPSS)
 - Acoustic sensors (ultrasonic)
 - Thermal cameras
 - Radars
 - Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) accelerometer, magnetometer, gyroscope
 - High-density (HD) Semantic Maps
- In this course, we principally concentrate on multi-view images, 2D and 3D LiDAR scans, radars, GNSS/GPS, IMU, ...

Subject Overview (2/2)

- Two sensors can be used together if they are
 - synchronized in time (usually via timestamps) and
 - their 3D pose are know w.r.t. each other
- This course principally focuses on 3D pose estimation
 - $\rightarrow~$ Pose: rigid transformation
 - $\rightarrow\,$ 3D rotation and translation, aka. extrinsic parameters, aka. pose
- In human-made environments, bird-eye view is preferred for the data.





- Pose can be estimated by calibration
- There are two ways for calibration
 - Offline
 - $\rightarrow~$ Calibration object is applied
 - Online
 - $\rightarrow~$ Environment reconstruction carried out
- Target object have usually well define surfaces/shapes
 - 2D: lines, circles, ellipses,...
 - 3D: planes, spheres, cylinders, ...

3DSSF Content

- Introduction to estimation theory
 - Focus: surface/curve fitting
- Robust estimation and the L_1 norm
- Transformations, projections
- Lie algebra
- Optimal point set registration
- LiDAR-camera calibration
 - using planar or spherical objects
- Many surprises by Péter Kozma

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Related Subjects



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3DSSF Requirements

- Lecture
 - Oral exam in examination period. Two topics.
 - Topics will be published before exam-period
- Practice
 - Two assignment in termtime
- Combined mark is given: 50-50% from oral exam and assignment
 - Satisfactory should be reached for both assignment and oral exam
 - Max. 50 per oral/assignments
- Final grade
 - 5 (excellent): \geq 85%
 - 4 (good): 70 ... 84 %
 - 3 (satisfactory): 55 ... 69 %
 - 2 (pass): 40 ... 54 %
 - 1 (fail): < 40%

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- Canvas https://canvas.elte.hu
 - Materials
 - Assignments
- Webpage https://cv.inf.elte.hu
 - Under construction
- Teams
 - It will be created next week.

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- On Mondays,
 - 18.00-19.30
 - South Building, 0.412
 - Teacher: Eichhardt, Hajder, Ahadli, Tófalvi
- On Wednesdays,
 - 16.00-17.30
 - South Building, 2.712 Graphics Lab
 - Teacher: Péter Kozma

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Extra Practice

- Demonstration of our vehicles and sensor-kit
- Later during spring semester



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