### L1c: Basic Processing

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Lecture 1a: Introduction to Light Fields

Lecture 1b: Cameras, Sampling, & Calibration

**Lecture 1c: Basic Processing** EPI image analysis in the spatial domain Frequency-domain analysis

Hands-on: Writing a renderer, handling light fields in matlab



### Epipolar Plane Images (EPIs)











Animation: panning left/right  $L(s, t, u, v) = L(s + \Delta s, t + \Delta t, u - m\Delta s, v - m\Delta t)$ 

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### The Point/Plane Correspondence



Point-plane correspondence (no occlusion):

Relative:

Absolute:

$$
\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \left(\frac{D}{P_z}\right) \begin{bmatrix} P_x - s \\ P_y - t \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} U \\ V \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} s \\ t \end{bmatrix}
$$

$$
\frac{du}{ds} = -\frac{D}{P_z}
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 $s|_{u=0} = P_x$ 

$$
\lfloor V \rfloor - \lfloor v \rfloor + \lfloor t \rfloor
$$

$$
\frac{dU}{ds} = 1 - \frac{D}{P_z}
$$

# Naming Linear Subspaces in 2-, 3-, and 4-D





### Visualizing LF Hyperplane Intersection





$$
\mathcal{L}_{s} = \mathcal{L}(s+\delta, t, u, v) - \mathcal{L}(s, t, u, v)
$$
  
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$$
\mathcal{L}_{u} = \mathcal{L}(s, t, u+\delta, v) - \mathcal{L}(s, t, u, v)
$$
  
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$$
P_{z} = D / (1 - \mathcal{L}_{s} / \mathcal{L}_{u})
$$

$$
\begin{bmatrix} s \\ t \\ U \\ V \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{1,1} & 0 & h_{1,3} & 0 & h_{1,5} \\ 0 & h_{2,2} & 0 & h_{2,4} & h_{2,5} \\ h_{3,1} & 0 & h_{3,3} & 0 & h_{3,5} \\ 0 & h_{4,2} & 0 & h_{4,4} & h_{4,5} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \\ k \\ l \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}
$$

… But we have a sampled light field in *i,j,k,l* Use intrinsic matrix to convert

$$
\frac{du}{ds} = \frac{H_{3,1} + H_{3,3} dk/di}{H_{1,1} + H_{1,3} dk/di}
$$



### Combining Estimates

4D pointwise slope estimates are noisy Weight by gradient strength and sum in neighbourhoods:

$$
h = \frac{\sum_{P} L_s^2 \frac{L_u}{L_s}}{\sum_{P} L_s^2} = \frac{\sum_{P} L_s L_u}{\sum_{P} L_s^2}
$$
 [Adelson and Wang 1992]

Slopes are "view independent" – looks Lambertian, can also filter accordingly For some applications simply ignore regions of low gradient strength When required, "fill in the blanks"



### Depth Estimation





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#### Exercise:

Write out what a single large, square aperture covering s,t sees *(Don't over-think it)*



### Focus: Shift and Add







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[LF c/o Stanford]



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[LF c/o Stanford]



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[LF c/o Stanford]

### Linear Super-Resolution



[Image c/o Ihrke et al 2016]

### Linear Super-Resolution: Shift and Add k



i

l













Input in k,l and EPI Skewed, summed Upsampled, skewed, summed<sub>17</sub>



### Frequency-Domain Analysis



$$
= \delta(\Omega_s)\delta(\Omega_t)\smallint\limits^{\infty}\smallint\limits^{\infty} L(\Omega_s,\Omega_t,u,v)\mathrm{e}^{-j(\Omega_u u+\Omega_{v^{\nu}})}dvdu\;.
$$

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$$
L'_{cont}(s, t, u, v) = L_{cont}(\boldsymbol{R}[s, t, u, v]^{\mathrm{T}}),
$$
  

$$
L'_{freq}(\boldsymbol{\Omega}) = L_{freq}(\boldsymbol{R}\boldsymbol{\Omega}^{\mathrm{T}}),
$$



#### Point-plane correspondence (no occlusion):



### Frequency-domain ROS (Lambertian scene):

Single depth $\rightarrow$ Frequency plane  $\Omega_s/\Omega_u = \Omega_t/\Omega_v =$  $D/P_z$   $D/P_z$ -1









 $\vert v$ 









 $\vert v$ 









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### Focus as a Noise Filter



Animation: adjusting slope/bandwidth for filtering noise



### 4D Visualization of Freq Domain





### Dual-Fan and Hyperfan





### "Dimensionality Gap" = Hypercone



Animation: rotating the hypercone





## Hyperfan (Dimensionality Gap) Filter



Animation: volumetric focus

Depth range  $\rightarrow$  Frequency hyperfan

2D Fan 2D Fan Hypercone

$$
m_1 < \frac{\Omega_s / \Omega_u}{\Omega_t / \Omega_v} < m_2
$$
\n
$$
\Omega_s / \Omega_u = \Omega_t / \Omega_v
$$







### Hyperfan Noise Selectivity





**Volumetric Focus** Near Plane Far Plane Depth Selectivity Noise Selectivity Depth

Animation: adjusting hypercone gain



### Hyperfan Depth Selectivity



Depth range & **Selectivity** 



Animation: adjusting depth limits on volumetric focus

# Separability: Plane Separates into 2D filters



### … hyperfan does not





Fourier-Slice Theorem



$$
L_{freq}(\Omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} L_{cont}(s, t, u, v) e^{-j(\Omega_S s + \Omega_t t + \Omega_u u + \Omega_v v)} dv du dt ds
$$

$$
= \delta(\Omega_s) \delta(\Omega_t) \int \int \int L(\Omega_s, \Omega_t, u, v) e^{-j(\Omega_u u + \Omega_v v)} dv du.
$$



### Fourier-Slice Theorem



[Ng 2005]



### References

Much of the introductory content in these talks is written up in Dansereau "Plenoptic Signal Processing for Robust Vision in Field Robotics", 2014 with extensive citations to the source works.

Another useful review with extensive citations to relevant work is: Ihrke et al "Principles of Light Field Imaging", 2016

A few key works:

Ng et al "Light field photography with a hand-held plenoptic camera", 2005 Ng "Fourier slice photography", 2005 Levoy and Hanrahan "Light field rendering", 1996 Gortler et al "The Lumigraph", 1996 Adelson and Bergen "The plenoptic function and the elements of early vision", 1991

### Points (and Planes) To Ponder





In 4D, what's the intersection of two planes? Are there exceptions?

The point-plane correspondence maps a 3D geometric point to a 4D LF plane. A 4D LF point corresponds to a ray in 3D geometric space. Use these to interpret the intersection of two 4D planes in 3D geometric space.