

Stochastic Gradient Descent Optimization

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1. Non Linear Optimization

For a least square minimisation problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} F(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \|f(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2$$

where $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. A direct method is to calculate the first order derivative:

$$\frac{dF(\mathbf{x})}{d\mathbf{x}} = 0 \quad (1)$$

Then the optimum \mathbf{x} is obtained. However, Solving the equation 1 requires knowledge of the global characteristics, which are usually intractable. Thus, we resort to a stochastic alternative:

1. starting from an initial value \mathbf{x}_0 .
2. in the k_{th} iteration, find an increment $\Delta\mathbf{x}_k$, such that $F(\mathbf{x}_k + \Delta\mathbf{x}_k)$ is the minimum in the local region.
3. if $\Delta\mathbf{x}_k$ is smaller than a predefined criterion, then we stop the iteration.
4. update: $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \Delta\mathbf{x}_k$, go to step (2).

1.1. Newton Method

Based on the stochastic method, we will try to linearize $F(\mathbf{x})$ in each iteration:

$$F(\mathbf{x}_k + \Delta\mathbf{x}_k) \approx F(\mathbf{x}_k) + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k)^T \Delta\mathbf{x}_k + \frac{1}{2} \Delta\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}_k) \Delta\mathbf{x}_k \quad (2)$$

where $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k)$ and $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}_k)$ is the first order and second order derivative functions, i.e., Jacobian and Hessian matrix. If we ignore the second order item, the optimum $\Delta\mathbf{x}_k^*$ would be:

$$\Delta\mathbf{x}_k^* = -\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k)$$

Otherwise if we consider the second order item, the cost function would be

$$\Delta\mathbf{x}_k^* = \min_{\Delta\mathbf{x}_k} \|F(\mathbf{x}_k) + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k)^T \Delta\mathbf{x}_k + \frac{1}{2} \Delta\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}_k) \Delta\mathbf{x}_k\|_2^2$$

We calculate the first order derivative of the RHS with respect to $\Delta\mathbf{x}_k$, and let it equal zero. This would give us:

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k) + \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}_k) \Delta\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}_k) \Delta\mathbf{x}_k = -\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k). \quad (3)$$

The solution of equation 3 is $\Delta\mathbf{x}_k^*$.

1.2. Gaussian-Newton Method

$$F(\mathbf{x}_k + \Delta \mathbf{x}_k) = \frac{1}{2} \|f(\mathbf{x}_k + \Delta \mathbf{x}_k)\|_2^2 \approx \frac{1}{2} \|f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{x}_k\|_2^2 \quad (4)$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{x}_k^* = \min_{\Delta \mathbf{x}_k} \frac{1}{2} \|f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{x}_k\|_2^2$$

We calculate the first order derivative of the RHS with respect to $\Delta \mathbf{x}_k$, and let it equal zero. This would give us:

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k) f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k) \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{x}_k = 0$$

i.e.,

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k) \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k)^T}_{\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}_k)} \Delta \mathbf{x}_k = -\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k) f(\mathbf{x}_k) \quad (5)$$

Thus, an optimisation pipeline is:

Gaussian Newton Method:

1. starting from an initial value \mathbf{x}_0 .
2. in the k_{th} iteration, calculate $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k)$ and $f(\mathbf{x}_k)$.
3. obtain $\Delta \mathbf{x}_k^*$ by solving equation 5.
4. if $\Delta \mathbf{x}_k^*$ is smaller than a predefined criterion, then we stop the iteration.
5. update: $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \Delta \mathbf{x}_k^*$, and go to step (2).

Here we practice the Gaussian-Newton method on a simple curve fitting task. For example, given a batch of samples $\{x_i, y_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$, each of which can be roughly parametrized by:

$$y_i = \exp(\hat{a}x_i^2 + \hat{b}x_i + \hat{c})$$

The ground truth parameters \hat{a} , \hat{b} and \hat{c} are unknown. The task is to find the optimum parameters a^* , b^* and c^* that best fits the samples. We denote the variable to be estimated as $\mathbf{p} = [a, b, c]^T$. Thus, the cost function is:

$$f_i(\mathbf{p}) = y_i - \exp(ax_i^2 + bx_i + c)$$

$$F(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_i^N \|f_i(\mathbf{p})\|_2^2$$

In each iteration, the cost function we are going to minimise is:

$$F(\mathbf{p} + \Delta \mathbf{p}) = \sum_i^N \|f_i(\mathbf{p} + \Delta \mathbf{p})\|_2^2 = \sum_i^N \|f_i(\mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p})^T \Delta \mathbf{p}\|_2^2$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{p}_k^* = \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}_k} \sum_i^N \frac{1}{2} \|f_i(\mathbf{p}_k) + \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{p}_k\|_2^2$$

We calculate the first order derivative of the RHS with respect to $\Delta \mathbf{p}_k$, and let it equal zero. This would give us:

$$\sum_i^N \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k) f_i(\mathbf{p}_k) + \sum_i^N \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p}_k) \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{p}_k = 0$$

i.e.,

$$\sum_i^N \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p}_k) \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{p}_k = - \sum_i^N \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k) f_i(\mathbf{p}_k)$$

The Jacobian matrix is calculated as:

$$\mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p}_k) = \left[\frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{p}_k)}{\partial a}, \frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{p}_k)}{\partial b}, \frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{p}_k)}{\partial c} \right]^T$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{p}_k)}{\partial a} = -x_i^2 \exp(ax_i^2 + bx_i + c) \\ \frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{p}_k)}{\partial b} = -x_i \exp(ax_i^2 + bx_i + c) \\ \frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{p}_k)}{\partial c} = -\exp(ax_i^2 + bx_i + c) \end{cases}$$

Then we follow the optimisation steps to iteratively calculate each \mathbf{p}_k .

1.3. Gaussian Newton Method with Information Matrix

If the samples are corrupted by a known noise, e.g., Gaussian noise $w \sim (0, \sigma^2)$, then the sample model can be regarded as:

$$y_i = \exp(\hat{a}x_i^2 + \hat{b}x_i + \hat{c}) + w_i$$

then

$$f_i(\mathbf{p}) \sim (y_i - \exp(ax_i^2 + bx_i + c), w_i)$$

the cost function considering Gaussian noise is:

$$\Delta \mathbf{p}_k^* = \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}_k} \sum_i^N \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{w_i^2} \|f_i(\mathbf{p}_k) + \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{p}_k\|_2^2$$

$$\sum_i^N \frac{1}{w_i^2} \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k) f_i(\mathbf{p}_k) + \sum_i^N \frac{1}{w_i^2} \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p}_k) \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{p}_k = 0$$

i.e.,

$$\sum_i^N \frac{1}{w_i^2} \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p}_k) \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{p}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{p}_k = - \sum_i^N \frac{1}{w_i^2} \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k) f_i(\mathbf{p}_k)$$

See python code for detailed comparison experiment on the impact of the variance. Experiment conclusion: Taking sample variance into consideration will significantly improve parameters estimation accuracy.

1.4. Levenberg-Marquardt Method

$$\rho = \frac{f(\mathbf{x}_k + \Delta \mathbf{x}_k) - f(\mathbf{x}_k)}{\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{x}_k} \quad (6)$$

ρ indicates how well the approximation is. A robust optimization pipeline is:

Levenberg-Marquardt Method:

1. starting from an initial value \mathbf{x}_0 .
2. in the k_{th} iteration, we solve:

$$\Delta \mathbf{x}_k^* = \min_{\Delta \mathbf{x}_k} \frac{1}{2} \|f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{x}_k\|_2^2, \quad s.t. \|D \Delta \mathbf{x}_k\| \leq \mu$$

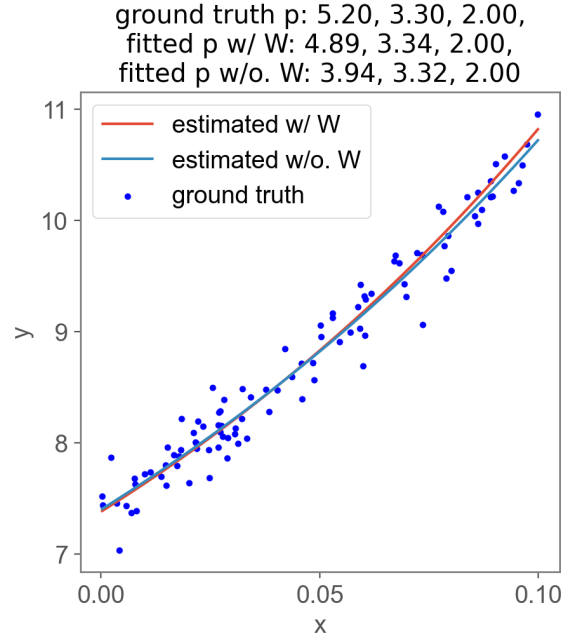


Figure 1. Curve fitting result using Gaussian Newton Method w/ and w/o. information matrix.

3. if $\Delta \mathbf{x}_k^*$ is smaller than a predefined criterion, then we stop the iteration.
4. calculate ρ by equation 6. If $\rho > \frac{3}{4}$, then $\mu_{k+1} = 2\mu_k$; else if $\rho < \frac{1}{4}$, then $\mu_{k+1} = 0.5\mu_k$.
5. if ρ is greater than a predefined threshold, then update: $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \Delta \mathbf{x}_k^*$. Go to step 2.

2. Lucas-Kanade Algorithm

2.1. Additive Forward Algorithm

Given a template image $T(\mathbf{x})$, we apply an affine transformation $\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_{gt})$ to it and obtain a transformed image $I(\mathbf{x}) = T(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_{gt}))$. Suppose the affine transformation is hidden and we want to align an input image $I(\mathbf{x})$ with a template image $T(\mathbf{x})$, i.e., estimate the affine transformation $\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})$. Formally,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x} &= [x, y]^T \\ \mathbf{p} &= [p_1 \ p_2 \ p_3 \ p_4 \ p_5 \ p_6]^T \\ \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 + p_1 & p_3 & p_5 \\ p_2 & 1 + p_4 & p_6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

By saying ‘alignment’ we are actually trying to minimise a cost function:

$$F(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \|f(\mathbf{p})\|_2^2 = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \|T(\mathbf{x}) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))\|_2^2$$

A straight-forward solution is to find the zero point of the first order derivative, i.e., $\frac{\partial F(\mathbf{p})}{\partial \mathbf{p}} = 0$. But this is impossible because while $\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})$ is a linear function w.r.t \mathbf{p} , $I(\mathbf{x})$ is a non-linear function w.r.t \mathbf{x} . Thus, We resort to optimise the cost function

in a local region rather than a global region:

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta \mathbf{p}^* &= \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \|I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p} + \Delta \mathbf{p})) - T(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2 \\
&= \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \|I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \frac{\partial I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2 \\
&= \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \|I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))}{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})}}_1 \underbrace{\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p}}_2 - T(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2 \\
&= \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \|I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \underbrace{\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p}}_J - T(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2
\end{aligned}$$

where ∇I is image gradient, and $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})}{\partial \mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 & y & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & x & 0 & y & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. In each iteration, the optimum increment is calculated by solving the following equation:

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p})\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p})^T \Delta \mathbf{p}^* = -\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p})f(\mathbf{p})$$

then update:

$$\mathbf{p} \leftarrow \mathbf{p} + \Delta \mathbf{p}$$

Since $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p})$ is dependent on \mathbf{p} , $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p})$ needs to be re-calculated in each iteration.

Puzzles:

1. $\frac{\partial I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))}{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})}$ should be evaluated at $\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})$, right? [1] does an operation: warp the gradient ∇I with $\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})$.

LK additive forward algorithm:

1. starting from an initial guess $\mathbf{p}_k = \mathbf{p}_0$, pixel region \mathcal{X}
2. calculate the error $f(\mathbf{p}_k) = I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_k)) - T(\mathbf{x})$ for each $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$.
3. calculate $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})}{\partial \mathbf{p}}|_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}, \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}_k}$.
4. calculate the gradient of image I and warp it with $\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_k)$ and we get ∇I .
5. $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k) = \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})}{\partial \mathbf{p}}|_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}, \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}_k}$
6. $\Delta \mathbf{p}_k^* = -\sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} [\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k)\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k)^T]^{-1} \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k) f(\mathbf{p}_k)$
7. check if stop the iteration, otherwise update $\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{p}_k + \Delta \mathbf{p}_k^*$.
8. go to step 2.

2.2. Compositional Algorithm

Compositional algorithm decomposes the warping as:

$$\begin{aligned}
k + 1 &\leftarrow k \\
\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p} + \Delta \mathbf{p}) &\leftarrow \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}) && : \text{Additive Forward Algorithm update} \\
\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p}); \mathbf{p}) &\leftarrow \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}) && : \text{Compositional Algorithm update}
\end{aligned}$$

¹This term means gradient image evaluated at the warped pixels.

²Note this term is evaluated at the \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{p} .

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta \mathbf{p}^* &= \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \|I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p}); \mathbf{p})) - T(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2 \\
&= \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \|I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0}), \mathbf{p})) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))}{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})}}_3 \underbrace{\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p}}_4 - T(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2 \\
&= \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \|I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \underbrace{\nabla I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})}{\partial \mathbf{p}}}_{\mathbf{J}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2
\end{aligned}$$

$\nabla I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))$ is easily obtained since we will have to calculate the first term $I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))$ anyway. $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})}{\partial \mathbf{p}}$ is not dependent on \mathbf{p} , thus it needs to be calculated only once. Since we are using compositional warpping, update of \mathbf{p} cannot be done with simple addition. Instead:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_{k+1}) &= \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p}_k); \mathbf{p}_k) = \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_k) \cdot \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p}_k) \\
\begin{bmatrix} 1 + p_1^{k+1} & p_3^{k+1} & p_5^{k+1} \\ p_2^{k+1} & 1 + p_4^{k+1} & p_6^{k+1} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 + p_1^k & p_3^k & p_5^k \\ p_2^k & 1 + p_4^k & p_6^k \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \Delta p_1^k & \Delta p_3^k & \Delta p_5^k \\ \Delta p_2^k & 1 + \Delta p_4^k & \Delta p_6^k \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} (1 + p_1^k)(1 + \Delta p_1^k) + p_3^k \Delta p_2^k & (1 + p_1^k) \Delta p_3^k + p_3^k (1 + \Delta p_4^k) & (1 + p_1^k) \Delta p_5^k + p_3^k \Delta p_6^k + p_5^k \\ p_2^k (1 + \Delta p_1^k) + (1 + p_4^k) \Delta p_2^k & p_2^k \Delta p_3^k + (1 + p_4^k) (1 + \Delta p_4^k) & p_2^k \Delta p_5^k + (1 + p_4^k) \Delta p_6^k + p_6^k \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

Solving the above equation will give us the update equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ p_4 \\ p_5 \\ p_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 + \Delta p_1 + p_1 \Delta p_1 + p_3 \Delta p_2 \\ p_2 + \Delta p_2 + p_1 \Delta p_1 + p_4 \Delta p_2 \\ p_3 + \Delta p_3 + p_1 \Delta p_3 + p_3 \Delta p_4 \\ p_4 + \Delta p_4 + p_1 \Delta p_3 + p_4 \Delta p_4 \\ p_5 + \Delta p_5 + p_1 \Delta p_5 + p_3 \Delta p_6 \\ p_6 + \Delta p_6 + p_1 \Delta p_5 + p_4 \Delta p_6 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

LK Compositional Algorithm:

1. calculate $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \big|_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}, \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}}$.
2. starting from an initial guess $\mathbf{p}_k = \mathbf{p}_0$, pixel region \mathcal{X}
3. calculate the error $f(\mathbf{p}_k) = I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_k)) - T(\mathbf{x})$ for each $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$.
4. calculate the gradient of image $I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_k))$ and we get $\nabla I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))$.
5. $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \big|_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}, \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}} \cdot \nabla I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))$
6. $\Delta \mathbf{p}_k^* = - \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} [\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k) \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k)^T]^{-1} \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k) f(\mathbf{p}_k)$
7. check if stop the iteration, otherwise update \mathbf{p}_{k+1} using Eq. 7.
8. go to step 3.

³This term means gradient of the warped image evaluated at the original pixels.

⁴Note this term is evaluated at the \mathbf{x} and $\mathbf{0}$.

2.3. Inverse Compositional Algorithm

Similarly, ICA is also aimed to solve this optimisation problem from a local region. The difference is that the cost function can be written from another perspective:

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta \mathbf{p}^* &= \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \|T(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p})) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))\|_2^2 \\
&= \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left\| T(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})) + \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0}))}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) \right\|_2^2 \\
&= \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left\| T(\mathbf{x}) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial T(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0}))}{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})}}_5 \underbrace{\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})}{\partial \mathbf{p}}}_{6} \Delta \mathbf{p} - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) \right\|_2^2 \\
&= \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left\| T(\mathbf{x}) + \underbrace{\nabla T \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0}))}{\partial \mathbf{p}}}_{\mathbf{J}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) \right\|_2^2
\end{aligned}$$

update equation is:

$$T(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_{k+1})) = T(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p}_k)) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_k)) \implies \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_{k+1}) = \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_k) \cdot \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p}_k)^{-1}$$

We want to update using

$$\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_{k+1}) = \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_k) \cdot \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p}'_k)$$

therefore, solving the below equations

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p}_k)^{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \Delta p_1 & \Delta p_3 & \Delta p_5 \\ \Delta p_2 & 1 + \Delta p_4 & \Delta p_6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\
&= \frac{1}{(1 + \Delta p_1)(1 + \Delta p_4) - \Delta p_2 \Delta p_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \Delta p_4 & -\Delta p_3 & -\Delta p_5 - \Delta p_4 \Delta p_5 + \Delta p_3 \Delta p_6 \\ -\Delta p_2 & 1 + \Delta p_1 & -\Delta p_6 - \Delta p_1 \Delta p_6 + \Delta p_2 \Delta p_5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8) \\
\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p}') &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \Delta p'_1 & \Delta p'_3 & \Delta p'_5 \\ \Delta p'_2 & 1 + \Delta p'_4 & \Delta p'_6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p}_k)^{-1} &= \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \Delta \mathbf{p}')
\end{aligned}$$

will result in:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta p'_1 \\ \Delta p'_2 \\ \Delta p'_3 \\ \Delta p'_4 \\ \Delta p'_5 \\ \Delta p'_6 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{(1 + \Delta p_1)(1 + \Delta p_4) - \Delta p_2 \Delta p_3} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -\Delta p_1 - \Delta p_1 \Delta p_4 + \Delta p_2 \Delta p_3 \\ -\Delta p_2 \\ -\Delta p_3 \\ -\Delta p_4 - \Delta p_1 \Delta p_4 + \Delta p_2 \Delta p_3 \\ -\Delta p_5 - \Delta p_4 \Delta p_5 + \Delta p_3 \Delta p_6 \\ -\Delta p_6 - \Delta p_1 \Delta p_6 + \Delta p_2 \Delta p_5 \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

Now we can update using

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ p_4 \\ p_5 \\ p_6 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} p_1 + \Delta p'_1 + p_1 \Delta p'_1 + p_3 \Delta p'_2 \\ p_2 + \Delta p'_2 + p_1 \Delta p'_1 + p_4 \Delta p'_2 \\ p_3 + \Delta p'_3 + p_1 \Delta p'_3 + p_3 \Delta p'_4 \\ p_4 + \Delta p'_4 + p_1 \Delta p'_3 + p_4 \Delta p'_4 \\ p_5 + \Delta p'_5 + p_1 \Delta p'_5 + p_3 \Delta p'_6 \\ p_6 + \Delta p'_6 + p_1 \Delta p'_5 + p_4 \Delta p'_6 \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

Note that \mathbf{J} is independent on \mathbf{p} , this wonderful property makes it possible that we calculate the Jacobian once, and then use it over and over again.

⁵This term means gradient of the image evaluated at the original pixels.

⁶Note this term is evaluated at the \mathbf{x} and $\mathbf{0}$.



Figure 2. Left to right: template image T , transformed template image I , recovered template image \tilde{T} using ICA.

LK Inverse Compositional Algorithm:

1. calculate $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \big|_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}, \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}}, \nabla T$ and $\mathbf{J} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0})}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \big|_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}, \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}} \cdot \nabla T$.
2. starting from an initial guess $\mathbf{p}_k = \mathbf{p}_0$, pixel region $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$
3. calculate the error $f(\mathbf{p}_k) = T(\mathbf{x}) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_k))$ for each $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$.
4. $\Delta \mathbf{p}_k^* = - \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} [\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k) \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k)^T]^{-1} \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_k) f(\mathbf{p}_k)$
5. check if stop the iteration, otherwise update \mathbf{p}_{k+1} using the equation 9 and Eq. 10.
6. go to step 3.

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