

# Yet another representation of SO(3) by spherical functions for pose estimation

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## 1DOF examples of pose representation

Approx. by Eigenimages

$$\text{Cat} = \text{Cat} + \text{Bottle} + \text{Screw} + \text{Lamp} + \text{Grid} + \text{Square} + \dots$$

Approx. by training images

$$\text{Cat} = \dots + \text{Cat at } 0^\circ + \text{Cat at } 330^\circ + \text{Cat at } 340^\circ + \text{Cat at } 350^\circ + \text{Cat at } 10^\circ + \text{Cat at } 20^\circ + \text{Cat at } 30^\circ + \dots$$

representation training

angles

$$10 = Fx_{10}, \dots \quad \text{X} \quad 180^\circ \simeq \dots + 330^\circ + 340^\circ + 350^\circ + 10^\circ + 20^\circ + 30^\circ + \dots$$

Pose should be Continuous!



Linear Regression EBC  
CCA Manifold learning

sin,cos

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sin(10^\circ) \\ \cos(10^\circ) \end{pmatrix} = Fx_{10}, \dots \quad \text{O} \quad \begin{matrix} \sin(0^\circ) \\ \cos(0^\circ) \end{matrix} \simeq \dots + \sin(330^\circ) + \sin(340^\circ) + \sin(350^\circ) + \sin(10^\circ) + \sin(20^\circ) + \sin(30^\circ) + \dots$$

$$p = Fx = \sum b_i Fx_i = \sum b_i p_i$$

Estimate of pose can be approx.  
by poses of training images.

Pose should be Bijective!  
(one-to-one)

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 &\neq p_2 \\ p_1 &= Fx_i \\ p_2 &= Fx_i \end{aligned}$$

Impossible!  
To satisfy  
Both equs.

## 3DOF Pose Representations: comparison

	Fixed angles roll-pitch-yaw	Euler angles	Angle-axis Exponential map	Unit quaternions	Rotation Matrix	Spherical representation
Continuity	✗	✗	⚠	✓	✓	✓
Bijection (one-to-one)	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓
Higher Freq.	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓

Due to gimbal lock

Rotation angles  $\times$   $(\sin, \cos)$

$q$  and  $-q$  are the same pose

Proposed method

Rotation matrix and Spherical representation Are suit for pose representation

can be used to expanding an image as a function on SO(3)!

$$x = \sum c_{l_1 l_2 l_3} Y_{l_1 l_2 l_3}(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$$

## A spherical function representation of SO(3)

$$Y_{l_1 l_2 l_3}(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3) = \sqrt{b_{l_1 l_2 l_3}} C_{l_1}^{1, l_2}(\cos \theta_1) P_{l_2}^{l_3}(\cos \theta_2) e^{-l_3 \theta_3 i}$$

Polar coordinates of a point on  $S^3$

Associated Gegenbauer function

associated Legendre function

Complex numbers on the unit circle

$$\begin{array}{ll} l_1 \in 2\mathbb{Z} & 0 \leq \theta_1 \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ l_2, l_3 \in \mathbb{Z} & 0 \leq \theta_2 \leq \pi \\ l_1 \geq l_2 \geq |l_3| & 0 \leq \theta_3 \leq 2\pi \end{array}$$

Spherical functions:  
Orthonormal basis on  $S^n$

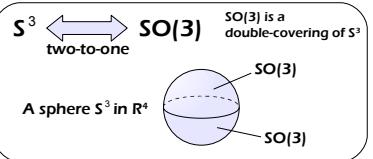
n=1: complex Fourier basis

n=2: spherical harmonics

n=3: spherical functions on  $S^3$

Even functions of spherical functions on  $S^3$ :

Spherical functions on SO(3)



Applications:

Analysis of a function  $f(R)$  of a rotation matrix

$$f(R) = \|x' - (Rx + t)\|^2$$

Expansion of an image  $x(R)$  of a rotation matrix

$$x(R) = \sum c Y(R)$$

The lowest Frequency ( $2l_1 = 2$ )

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{2,0,0} \\ Y_{2,1,0}, Y_{2,1,\pm 1} \\ Y_{2,2,0}, Y_{2,2,\pm 1} \\ Y_{2,2,\pm 2} \end{aligned}$$

Real num.  
Omit coeff.  
One-to-one

Unit quaternions

$$q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4$$

Two-to-one

Rotation matrix

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{Y_0+2Y_4}{3} & \frac{2Y_5-2Y_3}{3} & \frac{2Y_6+2Y_2}{3} \\ \frac{2Y_5+2Y_3}{3} & \frac{Y_0-Y_4+3Y_7}{3} & \frac{2Y_8-2Y_1}{3} \\ \frac{2Y_6-2Y_2}{3} & \frac{2Y_8+2Y_1}{3} & \frac{Y_0-Y_4-3Y_7}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Higher Freq. ( $2l_1 > 2$ )

Correspond to  $R^2, R^3, \dots$   
Many-to-one

Spherical representation

$$Y_0, Y_1, Y_2, Y_3$$

$$Y_4, Y_5, Y_6, Y_7, Y_8$$

One-to-one