

Motion Interpolation & Sensor Fusion

Final presentation

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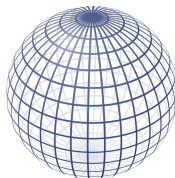
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Introduction

- Track 3D Objects with
 - Optical Tracking Systems, e.g. cameras
 - embedded system or inertial measurement units (IMU), e.g. accelerometers



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- \Rightarrow combine to make the best motion interpolation

Describing Rotations

Quaternions

- General Form

$$q_1 1 + q_2 i + q_3 j + q_4 k = (q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4)^T$$

$$i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = ijk = -1$$

- Only represent rotations.
- Coordinate system independency.
- No gimbal lock.
- Simple interpolation.

Describing Rotations

Unit Quaternions

- Set H_1 : $\|q\| = 1$.
- H_1 constitutes a hypersphere in quaternion space.
- The set is closed under multiplication.

Rotations

- $SO(3)$: space of three-dimensional rotations.
- Rotation about the axis $v = (v_1, v_2, v_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$, angle θ

$$q = [\cos(\theta/2), \sin(\theta/2)v]$$

- For each rotation there are 2 unit quaternions: q and $-q$ (antipodal). H_1 is a "double-covering" of SO_3 .

Visualizing Quaternions

Explain here the process to convert quaternions trajectory on the unit sphere !

Basic Interpolation Methods

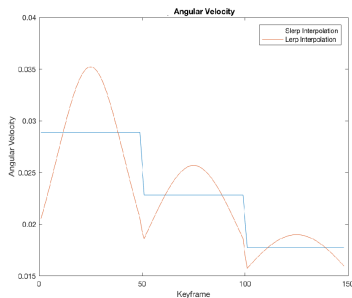
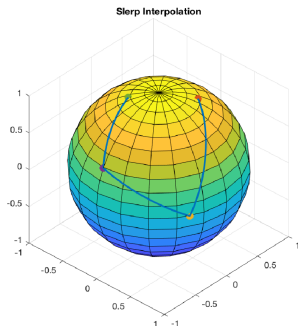
Let $q_0, q_1, \bar{q}_0 \in \mathbb{H}$ and $h \in [0, 1]$:

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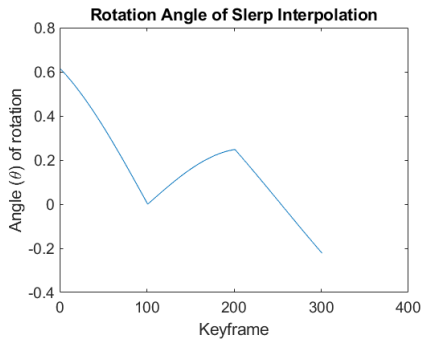
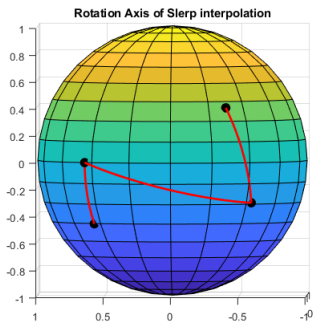
$$\text{Lerp}(q_0, q_1, h) = q_0(1 - h) + q_1h.$$

- Spherical Linear Quaternion interpolation

$$\text{SLERP}(q_0, q_1, h) = q_0(\bar{q}_0q_1)^h$$



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(Slerp) Quaternion interpolation with rotation over the $x - axis$

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- Similarly, we can construct a piece-wise quaternion slerp in a cumulative form:

$$q(t) = q_0 \prod_{i=1}^n \omega_i^{\alpha_i(t)}$$

with $\omega_i = \log(q_{i-1}^{-1}q_i)$, $q^t := \exp(t \log(q))$.

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Bezier Curves

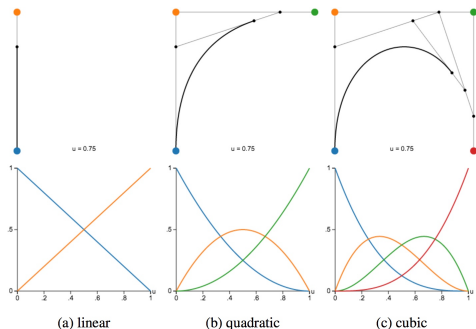
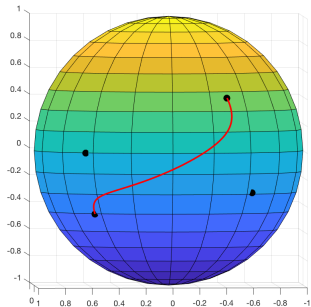


Figure 1: Bezier Curves and their Basis Functions ²

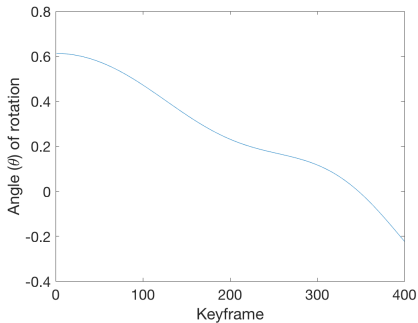
- global control / very smooth ($\in \mathbf{C}^{n-1}$)
- simple implementation

²Anonymous Preprint 2018 [under review]

Bezier Curves



(a) Rotation Axis



(b) Rotation Angle

Figure 2: Rotation Axis and Angle of Bezier Approximation

Bezier Curves



Figure 3: Bezier Curve Interpolation on an Object

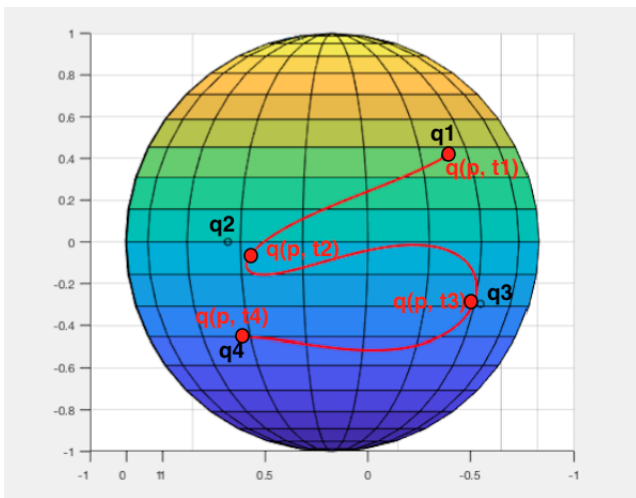
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Distance choice

- Goal : evaluate the distance between the initial quaternions $(q_{orig})_{i=1..N}$ and the interpolation path $(q_{calc}(p, t))_{i=1..N}$
- Euclidean distance : $\|q_{orig,i} - q_{calc,i}\|_2^2$
- Angular distance : $Arccos(2q_{orig,i} \circ q_{calc,i} - 1)$

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$$\min_p \sum dist(q(p, t_i) - q_i) + \lambda \int \|\ddot{q}(p, t)\|^2 dt$$

q_i : original quaternions

t_i : times at which the calculated trajectory must fit the original quaternions

p : control points (our variable)

$q(p, t)$: calculated trajectory at time t .

Animation Bezier Curve

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Trade-off between smoothness and accuracy

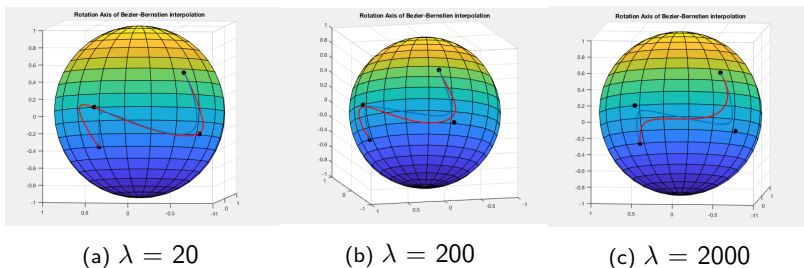


Figure 4: Bezier optimization for different λ

Result of Optimization



Figure 5: Optimized Bezier Interpolation

Solve the problem

$$\min_p \sum dist(q(p, t_i) - q_i) + \lambda \int \|\ddot{q}(p, t)\|^2 dt$$

- Compute the gradient
- Problem highly non-linear, not convex \Rightarrow Poor convergence
- Use Quasi-Newton method algorithm by providing the gradient

Conclusion : Use Matlab optimization function *fminunc*.

Performance : Running time

- Estimated gradient (numerical) method \Rightarrow not as fast as an optimization with provided gradient.
- Order of magnitude : couple of minutes for 4 or 5 quaternions \Rightarrow not made for real-time data. But the running time grows exponentially if you increase the number of quaternions.

Pose Estimation



Figure 6: ArUco Marker and IMU

IMU and OTS data is noise

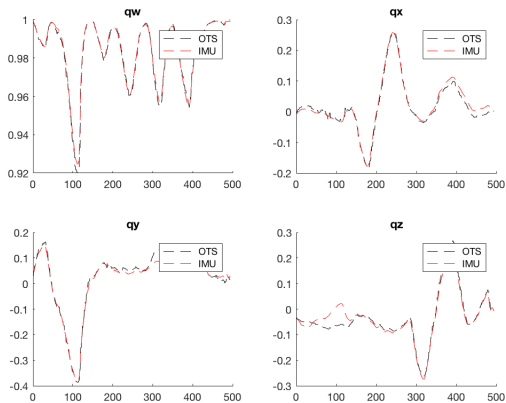


Figure 7: OTS and IMU poses

Undesirable Minima

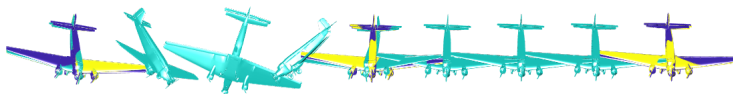


Figure 8: Undesirable minimum found through anti-podal point

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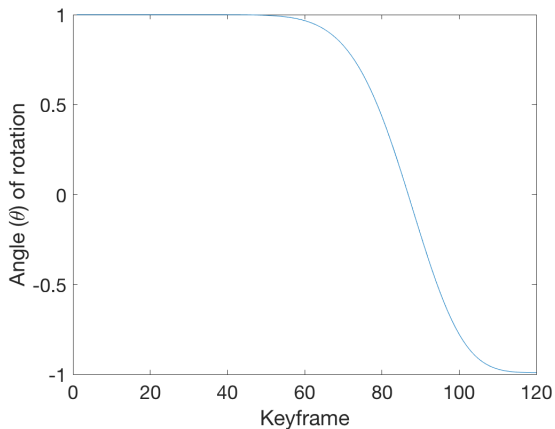


Figure 9: Rotation Angle of undesirable minimum at anti-podal point

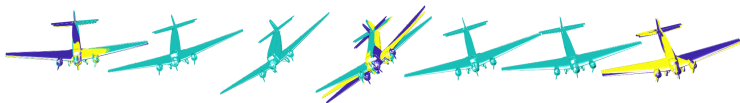
Updated Optimization Model

- J The set of captured OTS poses
- I The set of captured IMU poses
- Quaternions are constrained to Northern Hemisphere

$$\min_p \lambda_1 \sum_{i \in I} \|q(p, t_i) - q_i\| + \lambda_2 \sum_{j \in J} \|q(p, t_j) - q_j\| + \int \|\ddot{q}(p, t)\|^2 dt$$

$$\text{s.t. } q_0 \geq 0$$

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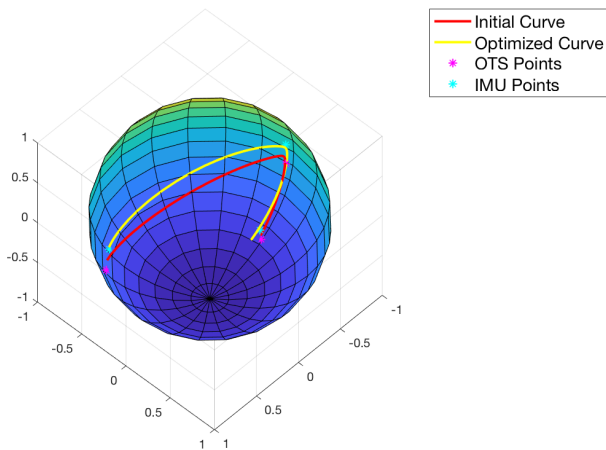


Figure 10: Interpolation Rotation Axis

Conclusion

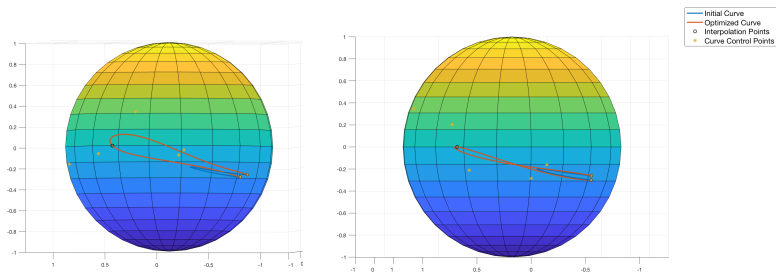
- Implemented Bezier curve interpolation for quaternions
- Designed an Optimization Model to improve interpolation
- Applied it to Sensor Fusion data provided by Framer

Thank you for your attention!



Figure 11: Optimized Bezier Interpolation

Sharp Turn



(a) $\lambda = 3$

(b) $\lambda = 0.1$

Figure 12: Rotation Axis and Angle of Sharp Twist

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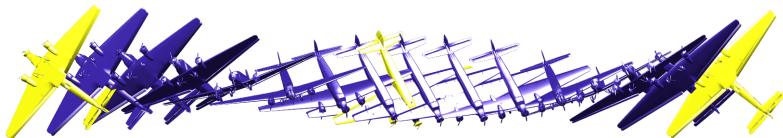


Figure 13: Animation of a Sharp Turn