# — Supplementary Material — Finding Multiple Geometric Models by Clustering in the Consensus Space

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### **1. Explanation of the Hyper-parameters**

In this section, we describe the hyper-parameters of the proposed algorithm, their purpose and the ways to set them. Parameters of the proposed algorithm:

- 1. An upper-bound for the inlier-outlier threshold on the point-to-model residual used inside the MAGSAC++ scoring. This parameter is problem-dependent. It usually is defined in pixels. It is easier to set [3] than the usual inlier-outlier threshold of RANSAC.
- 2. Parameter  $q_{\min}$  is similar to what structure-frommotion algorithms use to decide if the relative pose of an image pair is estimated successfully. For example, COLMAP [5] uses  $q_{\min} = 15$ , we use 20.
- 3. The termination confidence is the same as in RANSAC. Its typical values are 0.95 and 0.99. We use 0.99 in our experiments.
- The model-to-model distance threshold is from interval ∈ [0, 1]. It measures the overlap of the inlier sets of two models (0 non-overlapping, 1 fully overlapping). Setting it to 0.2 works on a wide range of problems and datasets.

# 2. SfM Results in Section 4.2

**Detailed results.** The results of the global SfM from [6] on each scene from the 1DSfM dataset are reported in Table 1. Note that we omitted the results on scenes Gendarmenmarkt and Union Square since [6] failed to reconstruct them with all tested pose-graph estimation techniques.

Additional visualizations are put in Figures 1 and 2, where the top rows show the results of [6] when initialized by a pose-graph estimated in the proposed way, exploiting an essential matrix and multiple homographies. The bottom rows show results when the pose-graph is estimated from essential matrices in the traditional way. Colored ellipses mutually highlight parts of the two reconstructions with noticeable differences. The traditional approach leads to reconstructions with fewer details and reduced precision compared to the proposed technique.

## 3. Translation from Known Rotation

In Section 4.2., we propose to estimate the relative pose from multiple homographies and the essential matrix by decomposing them and choosing the pose that leads to the most inliers when thresholding the re-projection error. We found that, while the estimated rotation matrix often is accurate, the translation can be improved by re-estimating it from the found inliers considering the known rotation.

In this section, we briefly describe the translation estimation procedure given a known rotation matrix. It is wellknown [2] that the essential matrix is defined as

$$\mathbf{E} = \left[ \mathbf{t} \right]_{\times} \mathbf{R},$$

where  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\mathbf{R} \in SO(3)$  are, respectively, the translation vector and rotation matrix, and  $[\mathbf{t}]_{\times}$  is the cross-product matrix of  $\mathbf{t}$  as follows:

$$[\mathbf{t}]_{\times} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -t_z & t_y \\ t_z & 0 & -t_x \\ -t_y & t_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Essential matrix E describes the relationship of a point correspondence in the images via the well-known epipolar constraint as follows:

$$\mathbf{p}_2^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{E}\mathbf{p}_1=0,$$

where  $\mathbf{p}_1 = [u_1 \ v_1 \ w_1]^T$  and  $\mathbf{p}_2 = [u_2 \ v_2 \ w_2]^T$  are homogeneous points in the normalized image plane, *i.e.*, normalized by the intrinsic camera matrices. Considering **R** to be known, we are given the following constraint

$$\mathbf{p}_{2}^{\mathrm{T}}\left[\mathbf{t}\right]_{\times}\mathbf{R}\mathbf{p}_{1}=0,$$

Table 1. Results of the global SfM algorithm from [6] on the scenes from the 1DSfM dataset [7] when initialized by the pose-graph estimated from essential matrices (**E** matrix), and the proposed method combined either with Progressive NAPSAC [1] or the proposed Connected Components (CC) samplers. As ground truth, we used reconstructions from COLMAP [5]. The averages and average medians of the rotation and position errors are reported in Table 1.

				orientation err (°)			position err (m)			focal err ( $\times 10^{-2}$ )		
		# views	# tracks	AVG	MED	STD	AVG	MED	STD	AVG	MED	STD
Alamo	E matrix	493	104894	2.46	0.59	3.76	1.60	1.36	3.98	0.02	0.01	0.05
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	495	110243	2.80	0.81	3.91	1.79	1.88	4.73	0.02	0.01	0.05
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	494	105920	2.59	0.62	3.63	1.68	1.58	4.19	0.02	0.01	0.05
Ellis Isl.	E matrix	211	31200	4.21	2.90	4.69	5.59	3.43	10.57	0.02	0.01	0.02
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	210	30610	3.49	2.33	3.00	4.27	3.09	8.22	0.02	0.01	0.02
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	215	31182	4.61	2.61	3.87	5.86	3.89	11.59	0.02	0.01	0.02
Madrid M.	E matrix	299	56102	11.38	0.69	14.50	1.09	8.06	1.36	0.06	0.03	0.10
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	327	50438	4.00	0.30	5.63	0.60	2.86	0.90	0.07	0.03	0.14
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	298	57457	8.06	0.58	12.11	1.00	4.77	1.18	0.06	0.03	0.10
Montreal	E matrix	432	106101	1.34	0.41	8.64	0.82	0.38	1.22	0.02	0.01	0.03
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	435	106498	1.52	0.46	7.84	0.89	0.47	1.31	0.02	0.01	0.03
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	436	104802	1.45	0.46	8.03	0.97	0.45	1.61	0.02	0.01	0.03
NYC Lib.	E matrix	270	57235	53.59	14.08	3.86	14.10	52.95	7.26	0.03	0.01	0.04
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	<b>271</b>	56435	5.20	2.94	3.96	4.97	4.23	6.73	0.03	0.01	0.04
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	270	55418	6.44	3.11	4.26	5.04	5.54	6.59	0.03	0.01	0.04
Piazza d. P.	E matrix	291	42823	7.24	3.82	3.33	4.91	7.61	4.34	0.03	0.02	0.04
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	288	44457	6.99	3.32	3.26	4.16	7.51	4.19	0.03	0.02	0.05
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	291	43510	5.37	2.53	1.46	3.28	5.46	3.54	0.03	0.02	0.04
Piccadilly	E matrix	1869	210821	4.71	0.35	13.53	0.70	2.00	1.05	0.05	0.03	0.15
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	1656	141661	10.15	0.48	24.75	0.87	2.55	1.11	0.05	0.03	0.14
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	1860	220045	4.96	0.31	14.83	0.66	1.68	1.05	0.05	0.03	0.15
Roman F.	E matrix	989	<b>208457</b>	4.87	14.76	4.68	22.25	3.86	82.77	0.03	0.02	0.07
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	991	204432	4.56	15.64	3.37	22.90	3.78	82.49	0.03	0.02	0.07
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	995	206641	4.85	15.78	3.59	23.61	4.01	82.29	0.03	0.02	0.07
Tower	E matrix	406	96481	6.03	9.48	12.55	25.04	2.42	38.79	0.02	0.01	0.03
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	397	95394	5.29	10.58	6.29	26.47	3.39	40.70	0.02	0.01	0.03
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	405	96088	5.83	10.94	8.87	26.56	3.54	40.54	0.02	0.01	0.03
Trafalgar	E matrix	4111	354494	18.03	16.79	32.09	23.92	10.70	29.63	0.02	0.01	0.03
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	4097	349621	19.10	16.14	41.86	23.74	7.20	30.73	0.02	0.01	0.03
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	4088	349784	18.00	17.09	31.97	24.79	10.93	30.64	0.02	0.01	0.03
Vienna C.	E matrix	705	160363	14.47	7.49	9.86	10.96	9.40	11.55	0.02	0.01	0.05
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	612	92051	26.35	13.79	29.71	22.85	13.10	25.45	0.02	0.01	0.05
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	707	160503	4.72	6.97	4.84	10.15	3.18	11.03	0.02	0.01	0.05
Yorkmins.	E matrix	399	98396	5.52	7.61	3.57	12.13	4.99	17.70	0.03	0.01	0.04
	<b>E</b> + mult. <b>H</b> s	402	100985	5.68	7.74	3.46	12.68	5.11	20.03	0.03	0.01	0.04
	E + mult. Hs (CC)	399	109132	3.49	6.27	2.90	11.26	2.91	17.12	0.03	0.01	0.04



Figure 1. Visual comparison of the reconstructions of Yorkminster by [6] when initialized by the proposed ( $\mathbf{E}$  + mult. Hs (CC); top row) and traditional ( $\mathbf{E}$  matrices; bottom) techniques. Blue and green ellipses highlight areas that the proposed algorithm reconstructs significantly more accurately than the traditional approach. The red ellipse points to an erroneous area. "CC" stands for using the proposed sampler in the proposed method for multi-homography fitting.

where the only unknowns are the three translation components  $\mathbf{t} = [t_x \ t_y \ t_z]^{\mathrm{T}}$ . Multiplication  $\mathbf{Rp}_1$  can be precalculated as  $\mathbf{p}'_1 = \mathbf{Rp}_1$ . Formula  $\mathbf{p}_2^{\mathrm{T}}[\mathbf{t}]_{\times} \mathbf{p}'_1$  leads to:

$$-u_{2}t_{z}v_{1}' + u_{2}t_{y}w_{1}' + v_{2}t_{z}u_{1}' - v_{2}t_{x}w_{1}' - w_{2}t_{y}u_{1}' + w_{2}t_{x}v_{1}' =$$
(1)

Eq. 1 is linear in the elements of the translation vector. Therefore, the equation can be reformulated as

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1'w_2 - w_1'v_2\\ u_2w_1' - w_2u_1'\\ v_2u_1' - u_2v_1' \end{bmatrix}^{\mathsf{T}} \begin{bmatrix} t_x\\ t_y\\ t_z \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

If at least two point correspondences are given, a homogeneous linear system of equations is obtained. The optimal solution, in the LSQ sense, is given via calculating the nullvector of the coefficient matrix.

#### 4. Trajectories of Fast-moving Objects

We show example visualizations of trajectory estimation of fast-moving objects in Figure 3. After extracting blur kernels that encode the object motion, we apply a multi model fitting algorithm recovering line segments. The estimated line segments are colored in red. The ground truth line segments are generated by applying a classical stateof-the-art object tracking algorithm on high-speed camera footage with manual annotations, which is shown in green. We show the results of sequential RANSAC as originally proposed in [4]. Additionally, we show final trajectories after filtering and refinement by [4]. Quantitative results are reported in the paper.

Notice that the line segments found by seq. RANSAC are not continuous, *i.e.*, there is a clear gap between all of them.



Figure 2. Visual comparison of the reconstructions of Vienna Cathedral by [6] when initialized by the proposed ( $\mathbf{E}$  + mult. Hs (CC); top) and traditional ( $\mathbf{E}$  matrices; bottom) techniques. The proposed approach preserves the parallelism of the walls of the cathedral (red ellipse). "CC" stands for using the proposed sampler in the proposed method for multi-homography fitting.

This is caused by the hard point-to-line assignment used in seq. RANSAC and in the state-of-the-art multi-model fitting algorithms. Using the proposed method allows finding continuous chains that lead to better trajectories as shown in the last column and, also, in Table 3 in the main paper.

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Figure 3. Fitting multiple line segments for trajectory estimation of fast-moving objects. The estimated and ground truth segments are colored by red and green, respectively. The original Tracking by Deblatting [4] method for trajectory estimation of fast-moving objects uses the sequential RANSAC algorithm. Therefore, we report results using their implementation. The filtering and refinement are done by the method proposed in [4]. After post-processing by filtering and refinement, the results from the proposed algorithm more often cover the sought trajectory than by the other methods. The results of seq. RANSAC, besides being qualitatively worse, *i.e.* missing a segment in rows 1, 3, and 5, suffer from the single-model assignment of inliers which shows as a gap between consecutive segments. The width of the gap equals to the inlier threshold of seq. RANSAC.

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