# refract ray

here is comment in Triangulate.refractRay() of project underwater-camera-calibration

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# - 'rayDir' is the vector of the incoming ray
# - 'planeNormal' is the plane normal of the refracting interface
# - 'n1' is the refraction index of the medium the ray travels
>FROM<
# - 'n2' is the refractio index of the medium the ray travels >TO<</pre>
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### table of symbol

SMYBOL	MEANING
$v_1$	unit direction vector (FROM)
$v_2$	unit direction vector (TO)
n	unit normal vector of interface plane (FROM / TO )
$n_1$	refraction index (FROM)
$n_2$	refraction index (TO)
$ heta_1$	angle (FROM)
$ heta_2$	angle (TO)

### analysis

We should notice that n is opposed to the incoming ray direction  $v_1$ :

$$v_1^T n < 0, v_1^T v_1 = v_2^T v_2 = n^T n = 1$$

Now that we know all the parameters except  $v_2$ , we need derive the expression of  $v_2$  with other variables  $v_1, n, n_1, n_2$ 

#### reconstruct vector

and notice cross product matrix  $n \times n \times = nn^T - I$  and  $n^T n = 1$ :

$$egin{aligned} |v_1|\cos heta_1 &\equiv rac{-v_1^Tn}{|n|} = -v_1^Tn \ |v_1|^2\sin^2 heta_1 &\equiv \left|v_1-(-n)rac{(-n^Tv_1)}{n^Tn}
ight|^2 = \left|v_1-rac{nn^T}{n^Tn}v_1
ight|^2 = \left|(I-nn^T)v_1
ight|^2 \ &= \left|-n imes(n imes v_1)
ight|^2 = v_1^T(I-nn^T)^T(I-nn^T)v_1 \ &= v_1^T(I-nn^T)(I-nn^T)v_1 \ &= v_1^T(I-nn^T)v_1 = v_1^T[-n imes n imes v_1]v_1 \ &= v_1^Tv_1-[v_1^Tn]^2 \ v_1 &\equiv nn^Tv_1+(I-nn^T)v_1 = n(n^Tv_1)-n imes(n imes v_1) \ &= (-n)|v_1|\cos heta_1 + rac{[-n imes(n imes v_1)]}{|-n imes(n imes v_1)|}|v_1|\sin heta_1 \end{aligned}$$

Use  $v_1^T v_1 = 1$ :

$$egin{aligned} \sin heta_1 &= \sqrt{rac{v_1^T v_1 - [v_1^T n]^2}{v_1^T v_1}} &= \sqrt{1 - [v_1^T n]^2} \ v_1 &= (-n) \cos heta_1 + rac{[-n imes (n imes v_1)]}{|-n imes (n imes v_1)|} \sin heta_1 \end{aligned}$$

For the same reason,  $v_2^Tv_2=1$ , and  $v_1,v_2,n$  in the same plane:  $n\times v_1,n\times v_2$  are linear related, and  $v_1^Tn<0,v_2^Tn<0$ :

$$rac{[-n imes(n imes v_1)]}{|-n imes(n imes v_1)|} = rac{[-n imes(n imes v_2)]}{|-n imes(n imes v_2)|}$$

We want to reconstruct  $v_2$  with  $n, v_1$ , similarly: here is decomposition of orthogonal basis, because  $n^T[n \times n \times v_1] = n^T[nn^T - I]v_1 = 0^Tv_1 = 0$ 

$$egin{aligned} v_2 &= (-n)\cos heta_2 + rac{[-n imes(n imes v_2)]}{|-n imes(n imes v_2)|}\sin heta_2 \ &= (-n)\cos heta_2 + rac{[-n imes(n imes v_1)]}{|-n imes(n imes v_1)|}\sin heta_2 \end{aligned}$$

#### Snell's Law

From previous formula, only things are missing to reconstruct  $v_2$  is  $\sin heta_2, \cos heta_2$ 

$$n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$$

We want to express  $\theta_1, \theta_2$  with parameters that we know  $v_1, n, n_1, n_2$ ,

$$egin{aligned} \cos heta_1 &= -v_1^T n \ \sin heta_1 &= \sqrt{rac{v_1^T v_1 - [v_1^T n]^2}{v_1^T v_1}} = \sqrt{1 - [v_1^T n]^2} \ \sin heta_2 &= rac{n_1}{n_2} \sin heta_1 = rac{n_1}{n_2} \sqrt{1 - [v_1^T n]^2} \ \cos heta_2 &= \sqrt{1 - (rac{n_1}{n_2})^2 (1 - [v_1^T n]^2)} \end{aligned}$$

Represent  $\frac{[-n\times(n\times v_1)]}{|-n\times(n\times v_1)|}$  with  $v_1,n$ :

$$egin{aligned} rac{[-n imes(n imes v_1)]}{|-n imes(n imes v_1)|} &= rac{v_1+n\cos heta_1}{\sin heta_1} \ rac{[-n imes(n imes v_1)]}{|-n imes(n imes v_1)|} \sin heta_2 &= v_1rac{\sin heta_2}{\sin heta_1} + nrac{\sin heta_2}{\sin heta_1}\cos heta_1 \ &= v_1(rac{n_1}{n_2}) - nn^Tv_1(rac{n_1}{n_2}) \ &= (I-nn^T)v_1(rac{n_1}{n_2}) \ &= -n imes(n imes v_1)(rac{n_1}{n_2}) \end{aligned}$$

Eventually, represent  $v_2$  with  $v_1, n, n_1, n_2$ 

$$egin{aligned} v_2 &= (-n)\cos heta_2 + rac{[-n imes(n imes v_1)]}{|-n imes(n imes v_1)|}\sin heta_2 \ &= nigg[-\sqrt{1-(rac{n_1}{n_2})^2(1-[v_1^Tn]^2)}igg] + v_1(rac{n_1}{n_2}) - nigg[n^Tv_1(rac{n_1}{n_2})igg] \ &= nigg[(rac{n_1}{n_2})[-n^Tv_1] - \sqrt{1-(rac{n_1}{n_2})^2(1-[v_1^Tn]^2)}igg] + v_1(rac{n_1}{n_2}) \end{aligned}$$

## Consider all the possible values of v1

If the family of vector  $v_1$  are always on the same plane, the unit normal vector of this plane is  $\pi$ , always holds:

$$\pi^T v_1 = 0$$

We want to prove always exist A,B 
eq 0 for any  $v_1$  that holds  $\pi^T v_1 = 0$ , make sure

$$\begin{split} (A\pi + Bn)^T v_2 &= 0 \\ &= A[\pi^T n] \left[ (\frac{n_1}{n_2})[-n^T v_1] - \sqrt{1 - (\frac{n_1}{n_2})^2 (1 - [v_1^T n]^2)} \right] \\ &- B \sqrt{1 - (\frac{n_1}{n_2})^2 (1 - [v_1^T n]^2)} \\ &= A[\pi^T n] (\frac{n_1}{n_2})[-n^T v_1] \\ &- \left[ A[\pi^T n] + B \right] \sqrt{1 - (\frac{n_1}{n_2})^2 (1 - [v_1^T n]^2)} \\ \frac{A[\pi^T n] + B}{A[\pi^T n]} &= \frac{(\frac{n_1}{n_2})[-n^T v_1]}{\sqrt{1 - (\frac{n_1}{n_2})^2 (1 - [v_1^T n]^2)}} \end{split}$$

So, constant A, B don't exist when  $v_1$  keeps changing

# triangulate

Consider replace symbol of refraction:

- ullet replace  $v_1$  with r to represent unit direction vector (FROM)
- replace  $v_2$  with r' to represent unit direction vector (TO)

Then the formula of r' becomes:

$$r' = n \Biggl[ (rac{n_1}{n_2}) [-n^T r] - \sqrt{1 - (rac{n_1}{n_2})^2 (1 - [r^T n]^2)} \Biggr] + r (rac{n_1}{n_2})$$

## symbol table

SMYBOL	MEANING
$r_1'$	unit direction vector of ray 1 in water
$r_2'$	unit direction vector of ray 2 in water
$I_1$	intersection point of interface plane and ray 1
$I_2$	intersection point of interface plane and ray 2
$M_1$	closest point of ray 1 to ray 2
$M_2$	closest point of ray 2 to ray 1
M	mid point of $M_1$ and $M_2$
$k_1$	scalar factor from $I_1$ to $M_1$
$k_2$	scalar factor from $I_2$ to $M_2$

Our goal is to express M with what we know  $r_1^\prime, r_2^\prime, I_1, I_2$ 

### analysis

Defination of  $M_1, M_2$ , the closest point pair  $M_1-M_2$  must be perpendicular to  $r_1^\prime, r_2^\prime$ :

$${r'}_1^T(M_1 - M_2) = 0 
onumber \ {r'}_2^T(M_1 - M_2) = 0$$

Definition of  $k_1, k_2$ :

$$k_1r_1'\equiv M_1-I_1 \ k_2r_2'\equiv M_2-I_2$$

Replace  $M_1, M_2$  with unknow  $k_1, k_2$  and what we know  $r_1', r_2', I_1, I_2$ , To solve  $k_1, k_2$  firstly

$$egin{split} r_1'^T \Big( [I_1 - I_2] + k_1 r_1' - k_2 r_2' \Big) &= 0 \ r_2'^T \Big( [I_1 - I_2] + k_1 r_1' - k_2 r_2' \Big) &= 0 \end{split}$$

It is equivalent to

$$[{r'}_1^T r'_1] k_1 - [{r'}_1^T r'_2] k_2 = -{r'}_1^T [I_1 - I_2] \ - [{r'}_2^T r'_1] k_1 + [{r'}_2^T r'_2] k_2 = {r'}_2^T [I_1 - I_2]$$

In matrix form

$$\left(egin{array}{ccc} [{r'}_1^T r'_1] & -[{r'}_1^T r'_2] \ -[{r'}_1^T r'_2] & [{r'}_2^T r'_2] \end{array}
ight) \left[egin{array}{c} k_1 \ k_2 \end{array}
ight] = \left(egin{array}{c} -{r'}_1^T [I_1 - I_2] \ {r'}_2^T [I_1 - I_2] \end{array}
ight)$$

With Cramer's rule

$$k_{1} = rac{igg| -r'_{1}^{T}[I_{1} - I_{2}] - [r'_{1}^{T}r'_{2}]}{igg| r'_{2}^{T}[I_{1} - I_{2}] - [r'_{1}^{T}r'_{2}]}}{igg| [r'_{1}^{T}r'_{1}] - [r'_{1}^{T}r'_{2}]} = rac{[-r'_{2}^{T}r'_{2}r'_{1}^{T} + r'_{2}^{T}r'_{1}r'_{2}^{T}][I_{1} - I_{2}]}{1 - [r'_{1}^{T}r'_{2}]} = rac{[-r'_{2}^{T}r'_{2}r'_{1}^{T} + r'_{2}^{T}r'_{1}r'_{2}^{T}][I_{1} - I_{2}]}{1 - [r'_{1}^{T}r'_{2}]^{2}} = rac{[-r'_{2}^{T}r'_{2}r'_{1}^{T}][I_{1} - I_{2}]}{1 - [r'_{1}^{T}r'_{2}]^{2}} = rac{[-r'_{2}^{T}r'_{2}r'_{1}^{T}][I_{1} - I_{2}]}{1 - [r'_{1}^{T}r'_{2}] - r'_{1}^{T}[I_{1} - I_{2}]} = rac{[r'_{1}^{T}r'_{1}r'_{2}^{T} - r'_{1}^{T}r'_{2}r'_{1}^{T}][I_{1} - I_{2}]}{1 - [r'_{1}^{T}r'_{2}] - [r'_{2}^{T}r'_{2}]} = r'_{1}^{T} \left[ rac{1}{1 - [r'_{1}^{T}r'_{2}]^{2}} \left( r'_{1}r'_{2}^{T} - r'_{2}r'_{1}^{T} \right)[I_{1} - I_{2}] 
ight]$$

#### expression of M

Definition of M is

$$egin{aligned} M &\equiv rac{M_1 + M_2}{2} = rac{I_1 + I_2}{2} + rac{k_1 r_1' + k_2 r_2'}{2} \ &= rac{I_1 + I_2}{2} + rac{1}{2} igg(r_1' r_2'^T + r_2' r_1'^Tigg) igg[ rac{1}{1 - [r_1'^T r_2']^2} igg(r_1' r_2'^T - r_2' r_1'^Tigg) [I_1 - I_2] igg] \ &= rac{I_1 + I_2}{2} + rac{1}{2} rac{1}{1 - [r_1'^T r_2']^2} igg[ igg(r_1' r_2'^T + r_2' r_1'^Tigg) igg(r_1' r_2'^T - r_2' r_1'^Tigg) igg] [I_1 - I_2] \ &= rac{I_1 + I_2}{2} + rac{1}{2} rac{1}{1 - [r_1'^T r_2']^2} igg[ r_1' [r_2'^T r_1'] r_2'^T - r_2' [r_1'^T r_2'] r_1'^T igg] [I_1 - I_2] \ &= rac{I_1 + I_2}{2} + rac{1}{2} rac{[r_1'^T r_2']}{1 - [r_1'^T r_2']^2} igg(r_1' r_2'^T - r_2' r_1'^Tigg) [I_1 - I_2] \end{aligned}$$

Consider the cross product, and its cross product matrix form

$$a \times b = \begin{bmatrix} a_2b_3 - a_3b_2 \\ a_3b_1 - a_1b_3 \\ a_1b_2 - a_2b_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(a \times b) \times = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -[a_1b_2 - a_2b_1] & a_3b_1 - a_1b_3 \\ a_1b_2 - a_2b_1 & 0 & -[a_2b_3 - a_3b_2] \\ -[a_3b_1 - a_1b_3] & a_2b_3 - a_3b_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a_2b_1 - a_1b_2 & a_3b_1 - a_1b_3 \\ a_1b_2 - a_2b_1 & 0 & a_3b_2 - a_2b_3 \\ a_1b_3 - a_3b_1 & a_2b_3 - a_3b_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_1b_1 & a_2b_1 & a_3b_1 \\ a_1b_2 & a_2b_2 & a_3b_2 \\ a_1b_3 & a_2b_3 & a_3b_3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} a_1b_1 & a_1b_2 & a_1b_3 \\ a_2b_1 & a_2b_2 & a_2b_3 \\ a_3b_1 & a_3b_2 & a_3b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= ba^T - ab^T$$

Similarly, we have

$$egin{split} \left(r_1'r_2'^T - r_2'r_1'^T
ight) &= -(r_1' imes r_2') imes \ M &= rac{I_1 + I_2}{2} - rac{1}{2}rac{[r_1'^Tr_2']}{1 - [r_1'^Tr_2']^2}(r_1' imes r_2') imes [I_1 - I_2] \end{split}$$

# under-water model

The unit vector on the laser plane  $v_m$ 

$$egin{aligned} v_m &= c_1 \pi + c_2 n \ \pi^T v_m &= \pi^T (c_1 \pi + c_2 n) = c_1 + c_2 (\pi^T n) = 0 \ v_m^T v_m &= (c_1^2 + c_2^2) + 2 c_1 c_2 (\pi^T n) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Then we can have that

$$egin{aligned} c_1 &= -c_2(\pi^T n) \ [1 + (\pi^T n)^2] c_2^2 - 2(\pi^T n)^2 c_2^2 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Then we solve

$$egin{aligned} c_2 &= rac{-1}{\sqrt{1-(\pi^T n)^2}} \ c_1 &= rac{(\pi^T n)}{\sqrt{1-(\pi^T n)^2}} \ v_m &= \pi [rac{(\pi^T n)}{\sqrt{1-(\pi^T n)^2}}] + n [rac{-1}{\sqrt{1-(\pi^T n)^2}}] \end{aligned}$$

### expression of r, r'

Consider replace symbol of refraction:

- replace  $v_1$  with r to represent unit direction vector (FROM)
- replace  $v_2$  with r' to represent unit direction vector (TO)

Here  $r_{\theta}$  is the unit vector after rotating  $v_m$  around rotation axis  $\pi$  for angle  $\theta$ :

$$egin{aligned} r_{ heta} &= R_{ heta} v_m \ &= [\cos heta I + \sin heta(\pi imes) + (1 - \cos heta)\pi\pi^T] v_m \ &= [\cos heta I + \sin heta(\pi imes) + (1 - \cos heta)\pi\pi^T] \Big(\pi [rac{(\pi^T n)}{\sqrt{1 - (\pi^T n)^2}}] + n [rac{-1}{\sqrt{1 - (\pi^T n)^2}}]\Big) \ &= \cos heta \Big(\pi [rac{(\pi^T n)}{\sqrt{1 - (\pi^T n)^2}}] + n [rac{-1}{\sqrt{1 - (\pi^T n)^2}}]\Big) \ &+ \sin heta(\pi imes n) [rac{-1}{\sqrt{1 - (\pi^T n)^2}}] \end{aligned}$$

After refraction, the formula of  $r'_{\theta}$  is:

$$r_{ heta}' = n \left[ (rac{n_1}{n_2}) [-n^T r_{ heta}] - \sqrt{1 - (rac{n_1}{n_2})^2 (1 - [r_{ heta}^T n]^2)} 
ight] + r_{ heta} (rac{n_1}{n_2})$$

Here, the inner product, is a function of angle  $\theta$ :

$$[-n^T r_{ heta}] = \cos heta \sqrt{1-(\pi^T n)^2}$$

Thus

$$egin{aligned} r_{ heta}' &= n \Bigg[ -(rac{n_1}{n_2}) [\cos heta rac{(\pi^T n)^2}{\sqrt{1-(\pi^T n)^2}}] - \sqrt{1-(rac{n_1}{n_2})^2 \Big(1-\cos^2 heta [1-(\pi^T n)^2]\Big)} \Bigg] \ &+ \sin heta (\pi imes n) (rac{n_1}{n_2}) [rac{-1}{\sqrt{1-(\pi^T n)^2}}] \ &+ \cos heta \, \pi (rac{n_1}{n_2}) [rac{(\pi^T n)}{\sqrt{1-(\pi^T n)^2}}] \end{aligned}$$

#### find intersection I

set the interface plane

$$n^T I = h$$

Here it must on the ray, all start from laser point *P*:

$$I_{ heta} = P + k_{ heta} r_{ heta}$$

Solve  $k_{\theta}$ ,  $I_{\theta}$  respectively

$$n^T P - k_ heta \cos heta \sqrt{1 - (\pi^T n)^2} = h$$
  $k_ heta = rac{n^T P - h}{\cos heta \sqrt{1 - (\pi^T n)^2}} \ I_ heta = P + [n^T P - h] igg[\pi [rac{(\pi^T n)}{1 - (\pi^T n)^2}] + n [rac{-1}{1 - (\pi^T n)^2}] igg] + [n^T P - h] an heta(\pi imes n) [rac{-1}{1 - (\pi^T n)^2}]$