

# Advanced Geometric Methods in Computer Science

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### Homework 4

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Do the Exercises on pages 4-6 (some properties of  $\mathbf{GL}(n, K)$ ) from the handouts on the web, and the problems below.

**Problem B1 (10).** (a) Find two symmetric matrices,  $A$  and  $B$ , such that  $AB$  is not symmetric.

(b) Find two matrices,  $A$  and  $B$ , such that

$$e^A e^B \neq e^{A+B}.$$

Try

$$A = \frac{\pi}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \frac{\pi}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Problem B2 (60).** (a) Consider the map,  $f: \mathbf{GL}(n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , given by

$$f(A) = \det(A).$$

Prove that  $df(I)(B) = \text{tr}(B)$ , the trace of  $B$ , for any matrix  $B$  (here,  $I$  is the identity matrix). Then, prove that

$$df(A)(B) = \det(A) \text{tr}(A^{-1}B),$$

where  $A \in \mathbf{GL}(n)$ .

(b) Use the map  $A \mapsto \det(A) - 1$  to prove that  $\mathbf{SL}(n)$  is a manifold of dimension  $n^2 - 1$ .

(c) Let  $J$  be the  $(n+1) \times (n+1)$  diagonal matrix

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We denote by  $\mathbf{SO}(n, 1)$  the group of real  $(n+1) \times (n+1)$  matrices

$$\mathbf{SO}(n, 1) = \{A \in \mathbf{GL}(n+1) \mid A^\top J A = J \quad \text{and} \quad \det(A) = 1\}.$$

Check that  $\mathbf{SO}(n, 1)$  is indeed a group with the inverse of  $A$  given by  $A^{-1} = JA^{\top}J$  (this is the *special Lorentz group*.) Consider the function  $f: \mathbf{GL}^+(n+1) \rightarrow \mathbf{S}(n+1)$ , given by

$$f(A) = A^{\top}JA - J,$$

where  $\mathbf{S}(n+1)$  denotes the space of  $(n+1) \times (n+1)$  symmetric matrices. Prove that

$$df(A)(H) = A^{\top}JH + H^{\top}JA$$

for any matrix,  $H$ . Prove that  $df(A)$  is surjective for all  $A \in \mathbf{SO}(n, 1)$  and that  $\mathbf{SO}(n, 1)$  is a manifold of dimension  $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ .

**Problem B3 (30 + 30 pts).** (a) Given any matrix

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & -a \end{pmatrix} \in \mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{C}),$$

if  $\omega^2 = a^2 + bc$  and  $\omega$  is any of the two complex roots of  $a^2 + bc$ , prove that if  $\omega \neq 0$ , then

$$e^B = \cosh \omega I + \frac{\sinh \omega}{\omega} B,$$

and  $e^B = I + B$ , if  $a^2 + bc = 0$ . Observe that  $\text{tr}(e^B) = 2 \cosh \omega$ .

Prove that the exponential map,  $\exp: \mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbf{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ , is *not* surjective. For instance, prove that

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

is not the exponential of any matrix in  $\mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{C})$ .

(b) (**Extra Credit 30 pts.**) Recall that a matrix,  $N$ , is *nilpotent* iff there is some  $m \geq 0$  so that  $N^m = 0$ . Let  $A$  be any  $n \times n$  matrix of the form  $A = I - N$ , where  $N$  is nilpotent. Why is  $A$  invertible? prove that there is some  $B$  so that  $e^B = I - N$  as follows: Recall that for any  $y \in \mathbb{R}$  so that  $|y - 1|$  is small enough, we have

$$\log(y) = -(1-y) - \frac{(1-y)^2}{2} - \dots - \frac{(1-y)^k}{k} - \dots$$

As  $N$  is nilpotent, we have  $N^m = 0$ , where  $m$  is the smallest integer with this property. Then, the expression

$$B = \log(I - N) = -N - \frac{N^2}{2} - \dots - \frac{N^{m-1}}{m-1}$$

is well defined. Use a formal power series argument to show that

$$e^B = A.$$

We denote  $B$  by  $\log(A)$ .

**Problem B4 (120 pts).** Recall from Homework 3, Problem B7, the Cayley parametrization of rotation matrices in  $\mathbf{SO}(n)$  given by

$$C(B) = (I - B)(I + B)^{-1},$$

where  $B$  is any  $n \times n$  skew symmetric matrix.

(a) Now, consider  $n = 3$ , i.e.,  $\mathbf{SO}(3)$ . Let  $E_1$ ,  $E_2$  and  $E_3$  be the rotations about the  $x$ -axis,  $y$ -axis, and  $z$ -axis, respectively, by the angle  $\pi$ , i.e.,

$$E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Prove that the four maps

$$\begin{aligned} B &\mapsto C(B) \\ B &\mapsto E_1C(B) \\ B &\mapsto E_2C(B) \\ B &\mapsto E_3C(B) \end{aligned}$$

where  $B$  is skew symmetric, are parametrizations of  $\mathbf{SO}(3)$  and that the union of the images of  $C$ ,  $E_1C$ ,  $E_2C$  and  $E_3C$  covers  $\mathbf{SO}(3)$ , so that  $\mathbf{SO}(3)$  is a manifold.

(b) Let  $A$  be *any* matrix (not necessarily invertible). Prove that there is some diagonal matrix,  $E$ , with entries  $+1$  or  $-1$ , so that  $EA + I$  is invertible.

(c) Prove that every rotation matrix,  $A \in \mathbf{SO}(n)$ , is of the form

$$A = E(I - B)(I + B)^{-1},$$

for some skew symmetric matrix,  $B$ , and some diagonal matrix,  $E$ , with entries  $+1$  and  $-1$ , and where the number of  $-1$  is even. Moreover, prove that every orthogonal matrix  $A \in \mathbf{O}(n)$  is of the form

$$A = E(I - B)(I + B)^{-1},$$

for some skew symmetric matrix,  $B$ , and some diagonal matrix,  $E$ , with entries  $+1$  and  $-1$ . The above provide parametrizations for  $\mathbf{SO}(n)$  (resp.  $\mathbf{O}(n)$ ) that show that  $\mathbf{SO}(n)$  and  $\mathbf{O}(n)$  are manifolds. However, observe that the number of these charts grows exponentially with  $n$ .

**Problem B5 (100 + 200 pts).** Consider the affine maps  $\rho: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined such that

$$\rho \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\theta, w_1, w_2, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , with  $\alpha > 0$ . These maps are called (direct) *affine similitudes* (for short, *similitudes*). The number  $\alpha > 0$  is the *scale factor* of the similitude. These affine maps are the composition of a rotation of angle  $\theta$ , a rescaling by  $\alpha > 0$ , and a translation.

(a) Prove that these maps form a group that we denote by **SIM**(2).

Given any map  $\rho$  as above, if we let

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}, \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad W = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

then  $\rho$  can be represented by the  $3 \times 3$  matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha R & W \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \cos \theta & -\alpha \sin \theta & w_1 \\ \alpha \sin \theta & \alpha \cos \theta & w_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

in the sense that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho(X) \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha R & W \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

iff

$$\rho(X) = \alpha R X + W.$$

(b) Consider the set of matrices of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & -\theta & u \\ \theta & \lambda & v \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\theta, \lambda, u, v \in \mathbb{R}$ . Verify that this set of matrices is a vector space isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{R}^4, +)$ . This vector space is denoted by **sim**(2).

(c) Given a matrix

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & -\theta \\ \theta & \lambda \end{pmatrix},$$

prove that

$$e^\Omega = e^\lambda \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}.$$

*Hint.* Write

$$\Omega = \lambda I + \theta J,$$

with

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Observe that  $J^2 = -I$ , and prove by induction on  $k$  that

$$\Omega^k = \frac{1}{2} ((\lambda + i\theta)^k + (\lambda - i\theta)^k) I + \frac{1}{2i} ((\lambda + i\theta)^k - (\lambda - i\theta)^k) J.$$

(d) As in (c), write

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & -\theta \\ \theta & \lambda \end{pmatrix},$$

let

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix},$$

and let

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega & U \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Prove that

$$B^n = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega^n & \Omega^{n-1}U \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\Omega^0 = I_2$ .

Prove that

$$e^B = \begin{pmatrix} e^\Omega & VU \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$V = I_2 + \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{\Omega^k}{(k+1)!}.$$

(e) Use the formula

$$V = I_2 + \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{\Omega^k}{(k+1)!} = \int_0^1 e^{\Omega t} dt$$

to prove that if  $\lambda = \theta = 0$ , then

$$V = I_2,$$

else

$$V = \frac{1}{\lambda^2 + \theta^2} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda(e^\lambda \cos \theta - 1) + e^\lambda \theta \sin \theta & -\theta(1 - e^\lambda \cos \theta) - e^\lambda \lambda \sin \theta \\ \theta(1 - e^\lambda \cos \theta) + e^\lambda \lambda \sin \theta & \lambda(e^\lambda \cos \theta - 1) + e^\lambda \theta \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}.$$

Conclude that if  $\lambda = \theta = 0$ , then

$$e^B = \begin{pmatrix} I & U \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

else

$$e^B = \begin{pmatrix} e^\Omega & VU \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

with

$$e^\Omega = e^\lambda \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$V = \frac{1}{\lambda^2 + \theta^2} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda(e^\lambda \cos \theta - 1) + e^\lambda \theta \sin \theta & -\theta(1 - e^\lambda \cos \theta) - e^\lambda \lambda \sin \theta \\ \theta(1 - e^\lambda \cos \theta) + e^\lambda \lambda \sin \theta & \lambda(e^\lambda \cos \theta - 1) + e^\lambda \theta \sin \theta \end{pmatrix},$$

and that  $e^B \in \mathbf{SIM}(2)$ , with scale factor  $e^\lambda$ .

(f) Prove that the exponential map  $\exp: \mathfrak{sim}(2) \rightarrow \mathbf{SIM}(2)$  is surjective.

(g) Similitudes can be used to describe certain deformations (or flows) of a deformable body  $\mathcal{B}_t$  in the plane. Given some initial shape  $\mathcal{B}$  in the plane (for example, a circle), a deformation of  $\mathcal{B}$  is given by a piecewise differentiable curve

$$\mathcal{D}: [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbf{SIM}(2),$$

where each  $\mathcal{D}(t)$  is a similitude (for some  $T > 0$ ). The deformed body  $\mathcal{B}_t$  at time  $t$  is given by

$$\mathcal{B}_t = \mathcal{D}(t)(\mathcal{B}).$$

The surjectivity of the exponential map  $\exp: \mathfrak{sim}(2) \rightarrow \mathbf{SIM}(2)$  implies that there is a map  $\log: \mathbf{SIM}(2) \rightarrow \mathfrak{sim}(2)$ , although it is multivalued. The exponential map and the log “function” allows us to work in the simpler (noncurved) Euclidean space  $\mathfrak{sim}(2)$ .

For instance, given two similitudes  $A_1, A_2 \in \mathbf{SIM}(2)$  specifying the shape of  $\mathcal{B}$  at two different times, we can compute  $\log(A_1)$  and  $\log(A_2)$ , which are just elements of the Euclidean space  $\mathfrak{sim}(2)$ , form the linear interpolant  $(1 - t)\log(A_1) + t\log(A_2)$ , and then apply the exponential map to get an interpolating deformation

$$t \mapsto e^{(1-t)\log(A_1) + t\log(A_2)}, \quad t \in [0, 1].$$

Also, given a sequence of “snapshots” of the deformable body  $\mathcal{B}$ , say  $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_m$ , where each is  $A_i$  is a similitude, we can try to find an interpolating deformation (a curve in  $\mathbf{SIM}(2)$ ) by finding a simpler curve  $t \mapsto C(t)$  in  $\mathfrak{sim}(2)$  (say, a  $B$ -spline) interpolating  $\log A_0, \log A_1, \dots, \log A_m$ . Then, the curve  $t \mapsto e^{C(t)}$  yields a deformation in  $\mathbf{SIM}(2)$  interpolating  $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_m$ .

(1) **(75 pts)**. Write a program interpolating between two deformations.

(2) **Extra credit (125 pts)**. If you know about cubic spline interpolation, write a program to interpolate a sequence of deformations given by similitudes  $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_m$  by a  $C^2$ -curve.

**Problem B6 (100 pts)**. (a) For any matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -c & b \\ c & 0 & -a \\ -b & a & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

if we let  $\theta = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$  and

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & ab & ac \\ ab & b^2 & bc \\ ac & bc & c^2 \end{pmatrix},$$

prove that

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 &= -\theta^2 I + B, \\ AB &= BA = 0. \end{aligned}$$

From the above, deduce that

$$A^3 = -\theta^2 A.$$

(b) Prove that the exponential map  $\exp: \mathfrak{so}(3) \rightarrow \mathbf{SO}(3)$  is given by

$$\exp A = e^A = \cos \theta I_3 + \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} A + \frac{(1 - \cos \theta)}{\theta^2} B,$$

or, equivalently, by

$$e^A = I_3 + \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} A + \frac{(1 - \cos \theta)}{\theta^2} A^2,$$

if  $\theta \neq 0$ , with  $\exp(0_3) = I_3$ .

(c) Prove that  $e^A$  is an orthogonal matrix of determinant +1, i.e., a rotation matrix.

(d) Prove that the exponential map  $\exp: \mathfrak{so}(3) \rightarrow \mathbf{SO}(3)$  is surjective. For this, proceed as follows: Pick any rotation matrix  $R \in \mathbf{SO}(3)$ ;

- (1) The case  $R = I$  is trivial.
- (2) If  $R \neq I$  and  $\text{tr}(R) \neq -1$ , then

$$\exp^{-1}(R) = \left\{ \frac{\theta}{2 \sin \theta} (R - R^T) \mid 1 + 2 \cos \theta = \text{tr}(R) \right\}.$$

(Recall that  $\text{tr}(R) = r_{11} + r_{22} + r_{33}$ , the *trace* of the matrix  $R$ ). Note that both  $\theta$  and  $2\pi - \theta$  yield the same matrix  $\exp(R)$ .)

- (3) If  $R \neq I$  and  $\text{tr}(R) = -1$ , then prove that the eigenvalues of  $R$  are 1, -1, -1, that  $R = R^T$ , and that  $R^2 = I$ . Prove that the matrix

$$S = \frac{1}{2}(R - I)$$

is a symmetric matrix whose eigenvalues are -1, -1, 0. Thus,  $S$  can be diagonalized with respect to an orthogonal matrix  $Q$  as

$$S = Q \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} Q^T.$$

Prove that there exists a skew symmetric matrix

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -d & c \\ d & 0 & -b \\ -c & b & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

so that

$$U^2 = S = \frac{1}{2}(R - I).$$

Observe that

$$U^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -(c^2 + d^2) & bc & bd \\ bc & -(b^2 + d^2) & cd \\ bd & cd & -(b^2 + c^2) \end{pmatrix}.$$

and use this to conclude that if  $U^2 = S$ , then  $b^2 + c^2 + d^2 = 1$ . Then, show that

$$\exp^{-1}(R) = \left\{ (2k + 1)\pi \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -d & c \\ d & 0 & -b \\ -c & b & 0 \end{pmatrix}, k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\},$$

where  $(b, c, d)$  is any unit vector such that for the corresponding skew symmetric matrix  $U$ , we have  $U^2 = S$ .

(e) To find a skew symmetric matrix  $U$  so that  $U^2 = S = \frac{1}{2}(R - I)$  as in (d), we can solve the system

$$\begin{pmatrix} b^2 - 1 & bc & bd \\ bc & c^2 - 1 & cd \\ bd & cd & d^2 - 1 \end{pmatrix} = S.$$

We immediately get  $b^2, c^2, d^2$ , and then, since one of  $b, c, d$  is nonzero, say  $b$ , if we choose the positive square root of  $b^2$ , we can determine  $c$  and  $d$  from  $bc$  and  $bd$ .

Implement a computer program to solve the above system.

**Problem B7 (60 pts).** (1) Implement the Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization procedure and the modified Gram-Schmidt procedure. You may use the pseudo-code showed in (2).

(2) Implement the method to compute the QR decomposition of an invertible matrix. You may use the following pseudo-code:

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function qr(A: matrix): [Q, R] pair of matrices
begin
  n = dim(A);
  R = 0; (the zero matrix)
  Q1(:, 1) = A(:, 1);
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R(1, 1) = sqrt(Q1(:, 1)⊤ · Q1(:, 1));
Q(:, 1) = Q1(:, 1)/R(1, 1);
for k := 1 to n - 1 do
    w = A(:, k + 1);
    for i := 1 to k do
        R(i, k + 1) = A(:, k + 1)⊤ · Q(:, i);
        w = w - R(i, k + 1)Q(:, i);
    endfor;
    Q1(:, k + 1) = w;
    R(k + 1, k + 1) = sqrt(Q1(:, k + 1)⊤ · Q1(:, k + 1));
    Q(:, k + 1) = Q1(:, k + 1)/R(k + 1, k + 1);
endfor;
end

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Test it on various matrices, including those involved in Project 1.

(3) Given any invertible matrix  $A$ , define the sequences  $A_k, Q_k, R_k$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_1 &= A \\
 Q_k R_k &= A_k \\
 A_{k+1} &= R_k Q_k
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $k \geq 1$ , where in the second equation,  $Q_k R_k$  is the QR decomposition of  $A_k$  given by part (2).

Run the above procedure for various values of  $k$  (50, 100, ...) and various real matrices  $A$ , in particular some symmetric matrices; also run the `Matlab` command `eig` on  $A_k$ , and compare the diagonal entries of  $A_k$  with the eigenvalues given by `eig(A_k)`.

What do you observe? How do you explain this behavior?

**Problem B8 (Extra Credit 100 pts).** (a) Consider the set of affine maps  $\rho$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  defined such that

$$\rho(X) = RX + W,$$

where  $R$  is a rotation matrix (an orthogonal matrix of determinant +1) and  $W$  is some vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Every such a map can be represented by the  $4 \times 4$  matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} R & W \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

in the sense that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho(X) \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R & W \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

iff

$$\rho(X) = RX + W.$$

Prove that these maps are affine bijections and that they form a group, denoted by  $\mathbf{SE}(3)$  (the *direct affine isometries, or rigid motions*, of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ).

(b) Let us now consider the set of  $4 \times 4$  matrices of the form

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega & W \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\Omega$  is a skew-symmetric matrix

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -c & b \\ c & 0 & -a \\ -b & a & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and  $W$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Verify that this set of matrices is a vector space isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{R}^6, +)$ . This vector space is denoted by  $\mathfrak{se}(3)$ . Show that in general,  $BC \neq CB$ .

(c) Given a matrix

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega & W \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

as in (b), prove that

$$B^n = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega^n & \Omega^{n-1}W \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\Omega^0 = I_3$ . Given

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -c & b \\ c & 0 & -a \\ -b & a & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

let  $\theta = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$ . Prove that if  $\theta = 0$ , then

$$e^B = \begin{pmatrix} I_3 & W \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

and that if  $\theta \neq 0$ , then

$$e^B = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\Omega} & VW \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$V = I_3 + \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{\Omega^k}{(k+1)!}.$$

(d) Prove that

$$e^{\Omega} = I_3 + \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} \Omega + \frac{(1 - \cos \theta)}{\theta^2} \Omega^2$$

and

$$V = I_3 + \frac{(1 - \cos \theta)}{\theta^2} \Omega + \frac{(\theta - \sin \theta)}{\theta^3} \Omega^2.$$

*Hint.* Use the fact that  $\Omega^3 = -\theta^2 \Omega$ .

(e) Prove that  $e^B$  is a direct affine isometry in  $\mathbf{SE}(3)$ . Prove that  $V$  is invertible and that

$$V^{-1} = I - \frac{1}{2} \Omega + \frac{1}{\theta^2} \left( 1 - \frac{\theta \sin \theta}{2(1 - \cos \theta)} \right) \Omega^2,$$

for  $\theta \neq 0$ .

*Hint.* Assume that the inverse of  $V$  is of the form

$$Z = I_3 + a\Omega + b\Omega^2,$$

and show that  $a, b$ , are given by a system of linear equations that always has a unique solution.

Prove that the exponential map  $\exp: \mathfrak{se}(3) \rightarrow \mathbf{SE}(3)$  is surjective.

**Remark:** As in the case of the plane, rigid motions in  $\mathbf{SE}(3)$  can be used to describe certain deformations of bodies in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .