

# VAN course

## Lesson 3

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# Reminder: Homogeneous Coordinates

- A point  $(x, y)$  can be re-written in homogeneous coordinates as  $(x_h, y_h, h)$
- The homogeneous parameter  $h$  is a non-zero value such that:

$$x = \frac{x_h}{h} \quad y = \frac{y_h}{h}$$

- We can then write any point  $(x, y)$  as  $(hx, hy, h)$
- We can conveniently choose  $h = 1$  so that  $(x, y)$  becomes  $(x, y, 1)$
- $(x, y, 1) = (5x, 5y, 5) = (hx, hy, h) \neq (0x, 0y, 0)$ 
  - This removes one DOF, hence it is still a 2D representation

# Why Homogeneous Coordinates?

- Common transformations are affine but not linear
  - But are linear in Homogeneous Coordinates
- Allows us use matrix multiplication to calculate transformations – extremely efficient!

# Homography

- Combine the geometric transformation into a single matrix with 3x3 matrices
- Two-Dimensional translation matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x' = 1x + 0y + 1t_x = x + t_x$$

$$y' = 0x + 1y + 1t_y = y + t_y$$

$$h = 0x + 0y + 1 = 1$$

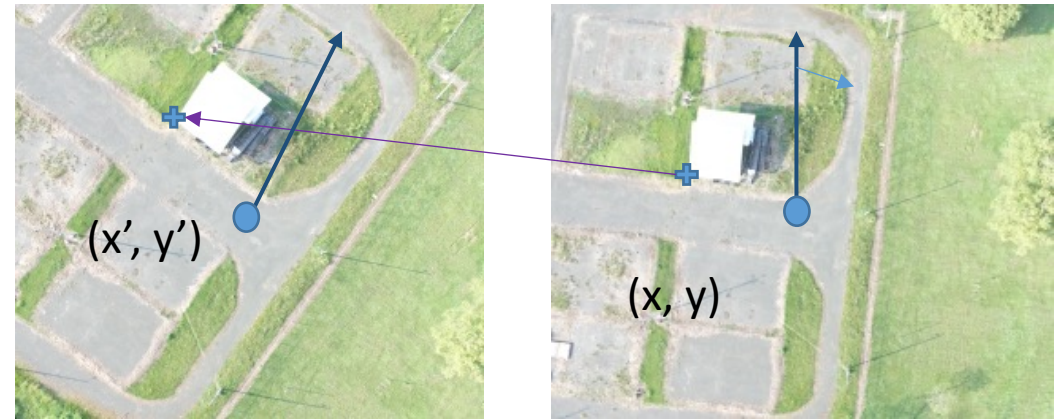
$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x + t_x \\ y + t_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Homography

- Two-Dimensional rotation matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ h \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$x' = x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta + 1 \cdot 0 = x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta$$

$$y' = x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta + 1 \cdot 0 = x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta$$

$$h = 0x + 0y + 1 = 1$$

Example:  $\theta = 90^\circ$

$$x' = x \cos 90^\circ - y \sin 90^\circ + 1 \cdot 0 = -y$$

$$y' = x \sin 90^\circ + y \cos 90^\circ + 1 \cdot 0 = x$$

$$h = 0x + 0y + 1 = 1$$

# Homography

- Two-Dimensional **scaling** matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ h \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x' = s_x x + 0y + 1 \cdot 0 = s_x x$$

$$y' = 0x + s_y y + 1 \cdot 0 = s_y y$$

$$h = 0x + 0y + 1 = 1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x x \\ s_y y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Homography

- Linear transformation - a combination of:

Scale,                      Rotation      and                      Translation transformations

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

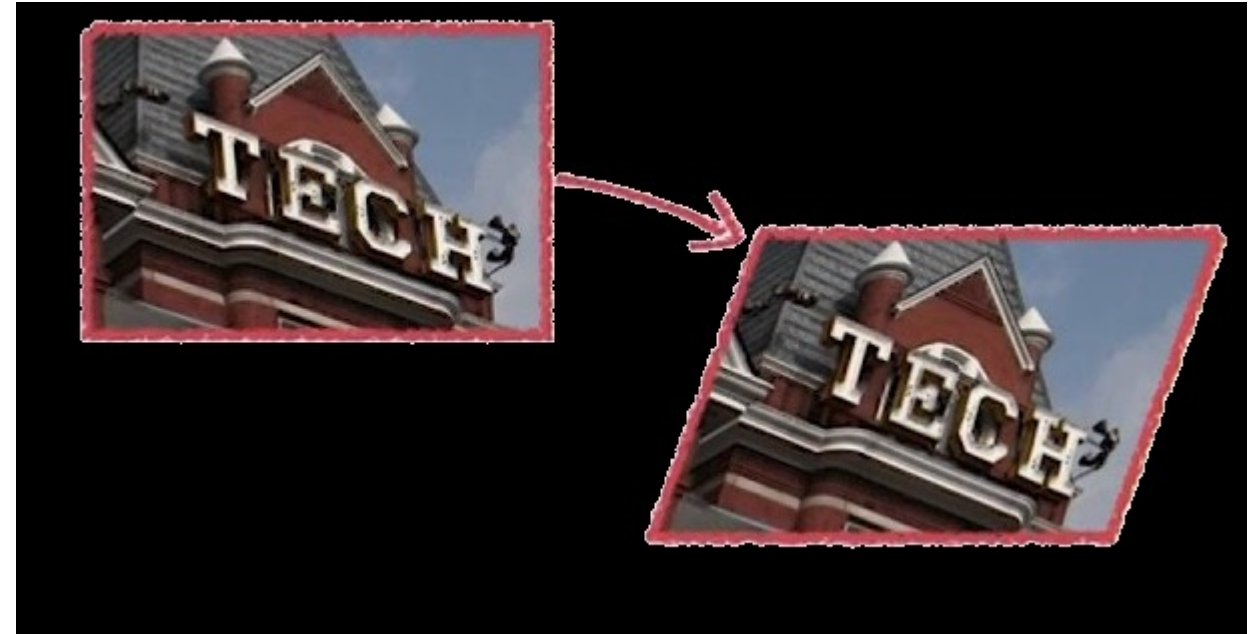
- Also called “similarity”
- 4 DOF:  $S, \theta, t_x, t_y$

# Homography

- Affine Transformation:
- 6 DOF: a, b, c, d, e, f

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- First transformation to change angles!



Courtesy of coursera

- Turns squares into parallelogram
- Any affine trans is equal to:
  - Rotation -> uneven scale -> another rotation -> translation

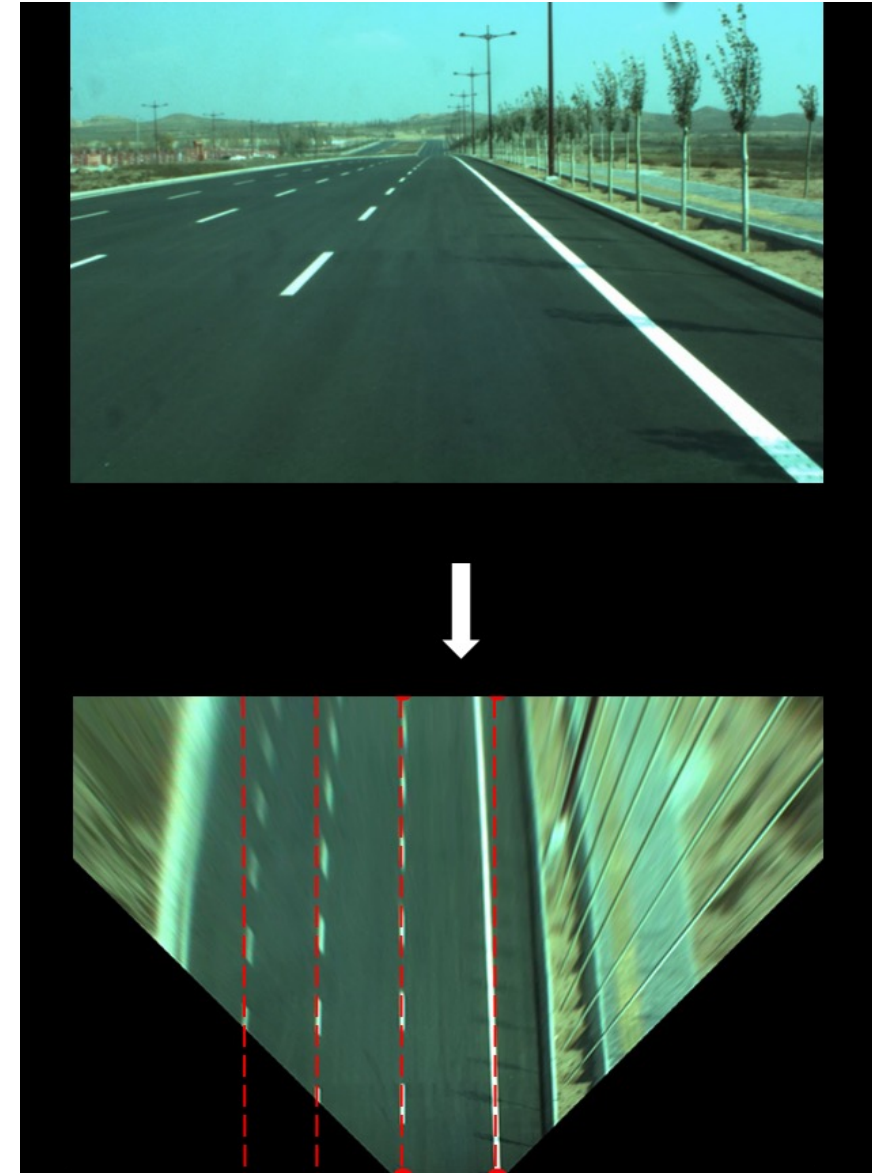


# Homography

- Perspective Transformation:
- 8 DOF:  $a, b, c, d, e, f, h, g$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ h & g & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Note that  $h, g$  are typically very small ( $\sim 0.00001$ )
- Turns squares into a Quadrilateral
  - Usually quazi-trapezoids
- Can describe change of perspective on planes



Courtesy of line.17qq.com/

# Hierarchy of 2D transformations

Projective  
8dof

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Affine  
6dof

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & t_x \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

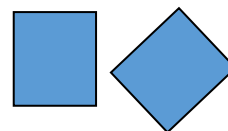
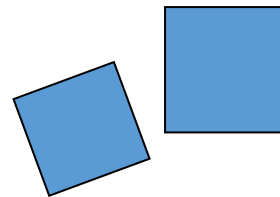
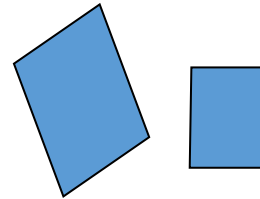
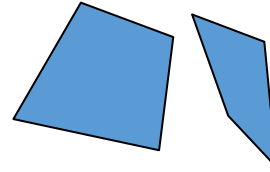
Similarity  
4dof

$$\begin{bmatrix} sr_{11} & sr_{12} & t_x \\ sr_{21} & sr_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Euclidean  
3dof

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & t_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

transformed  
squares



invariants

Concurrency, collinearity,  
order of contact (intersection,  
tangency, inflection, etc.),  
cross ratio

Parallellism, ratio of areas,  
ratio of lengths on parallel  
lines (e.g midpoints), linear  
combinations of vectors  
(centroids).

**The line at infinity  $l_\infty$**

Ratios of lengths, angles.  
**The circular points I,J**

lengths, areas.

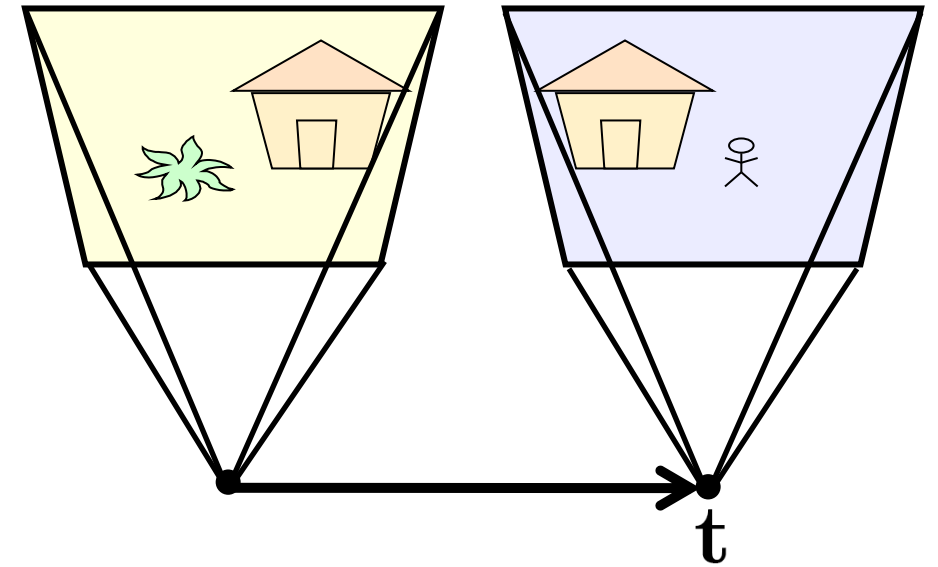
# Stereo

- In stereo cameras-couple there is only translation along the 3D X axes, with no 3D rotation.

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}_{3 \times 3}$$

$$\mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

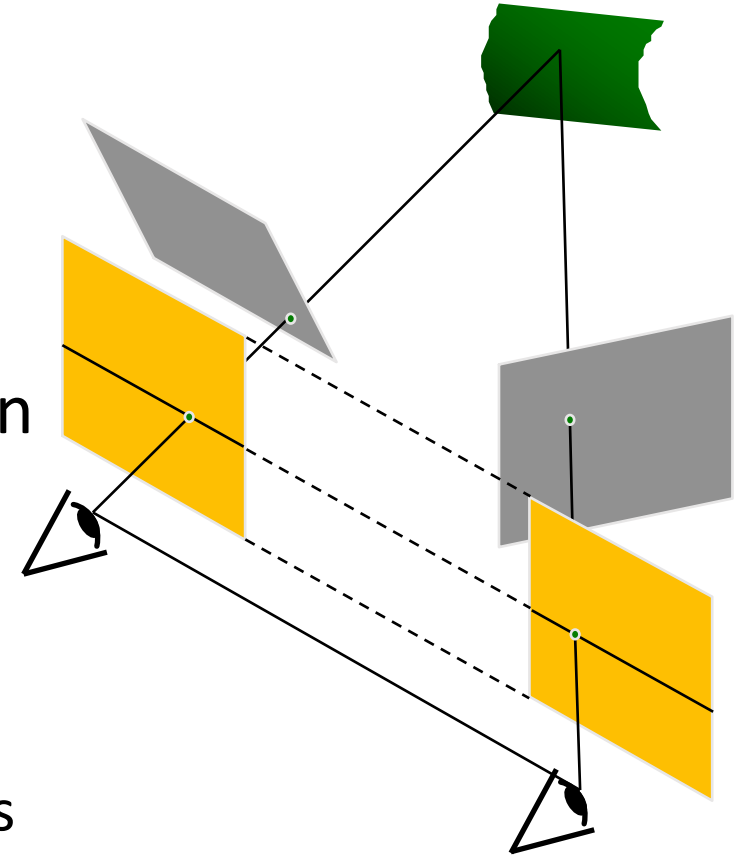
- Therefore, all pixel-matches has same Y coordinate
- And the depth is a function of the disparity ( $x_1 - x_2$ )
- This makes matching process much easier:
  - Faster – small search area, good initial guess
  - Robust – less possible false matches
- But is highly unlikely to get!
  - Nano-movements break the stereo-assumption
  - Homography to the rescue: stereo rectification



# Stereo image rectification

- Re-project image planes:
  - onto a common plane
  - parallel to the line between optical centers
- Pixel motion is horizontal after this transformation
- The rectification is two homographies:
  - Two 3x3 homographic transformations
  - One for each input image re-projection
- We usually warp the images using the transformations

C. Loop and Z. Zhang. Computing Rectifying Homographies for Stereo Vision CVPR 1999



# Stereo image rectification

- Why it works?
  - True rectification can be achieved using two 3D rotations
  - Perspective transformation model camera rotation
- Stereo Calibration:
  - finding the transformations
  - Usually also includes lens-distortion calibration
  - Kitti already did this for us

