Lecture 18

Camera Calibration

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Homographies 1 (Slides courtesy Mike Langer)

Recall the Camera Model

$$\begin{bmatrix} wx \\ wy \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} & P_{13} & P_{14} \\ P_{21} & P_{12} & P_{23} & P_{24} \\ P_{31} & P_{32} & P_{33} & P_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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intrinsic extrinsic
$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} [\mathbf{I} | -\mathbf{C}]$$
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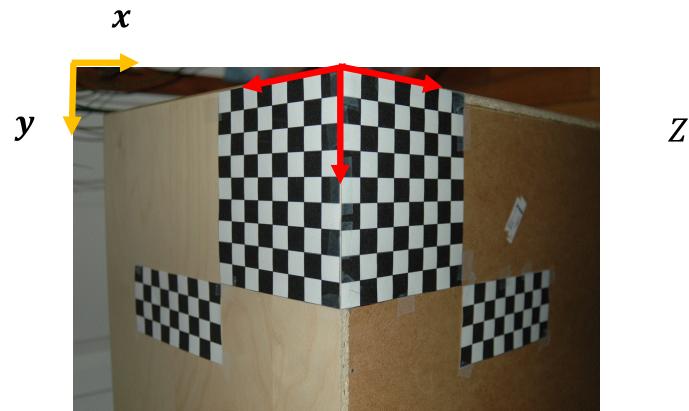
$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & s & p_x \\ 0 & \alpha_y & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

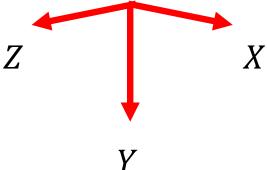
We would like to estimate P, and then factor it.

Suppose we have an object with *identifiable points* measured at 3D positions (X_i, Y_i, Z_i) in some scene coordinate system and labelled corresponding pixels (x_i, y_i) for i=1,...,N in an image.

e.g. corner points of the squares in the checkerboard below.

Compute a projection matrix P that best fits these data $\{X_i, Y_i, Z_i, x_i, y_i\}$. This problem is called *camera calibration*.





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We will solve it using least squares. How?

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From previous slide:

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Stack the N pairs of equations (corresponding to the N points):

 $2N\times12$

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Solution: ?

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Choose the x vector that minimizes ||Ax|| subject to ||x|| = 1.

Solution: take the eigenvector of A^TA with the smallest eigenvalue.

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} & P_{13} & P_{14} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} & P_{23} & P_{24} \\ P_{31} & P_{32} & P_{33} & P_{34} \end{bmatrix}$$

ASIDE: $\|\mathbf{P}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{ij} P_{ij}^2}$ is called the *Frobenius norm* of matrix **P.**

How to improve the estimate of \mathbf{P} ?

What are the units of (X_i, Y_i, Z_i) and (x_i, y_i) ?

Image and scene position values have noise.

The magnitudes of values in different columns can vary *a lot*! Columns with largest values will dominate the estimate.

Data Normalization

$$(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i, y_i)$$

$$(\bar{X}, \bar{Y}, \bar{Z}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (X_i, Y_i, Z_i)$$

$$\sigma_1^2 = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + (y_i - \bar{y})^2$$

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Normalize so that the mean and standard deviation are 0 and 1, respectively.

$$(x_i, y_i) \to (\frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{\sigma_1}, \frac{y_i - \bar{y}}{\sigma_1})$$

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 M_1

 M_2

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$$\mathbf{M}_{1}$$

Solve the least squares problem using these normalized coordinates, namely estimate $P_{normalized}$.

$$\mathbf{M_1} \begin{bmatrix} w_i x_i \\ w_i y_i \\ w_i \end{bmatrix} \approx \mathbf{P}_{normalized} \mathbf{M_2} \begin{bmatrix} X_i \\ Y_i \\ Z_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Finally, we want a matrix a matrix P that is in terms of the original data. Left multiplying by M_1^{-1} , we see what we want:

$$\mathbf{P} \equiv \mathbf{M_1}^{-1} \mathbf{P}_{normalized} \mathbf{M_2}$$

Experiments have shown that this normalization technique can give much better results *in practice*.

ASIDE: Another least squares formulation...

$$\begin{bmatrix} w_i x_i \\ w_i y_i \\ w_i \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} & P_{13} & P_{14} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} & P_{23} & P_{24} \\ P_{31} & P_{32} & P_{33} & P_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_i \\ Y_i \\ Z_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The above model gave us:

One issue with problem formulation is that it is unclear how to *interpret* the error in terms of the geometry of the situation, namely the 3D points (X_i, Y_i, Z_i) and the image pixel positions (x_i, y_i) . What are we minimizing here ?!

(ASIDE: continued) A more geometrically *meaningful* way to set up the problem is to minimize:

$$error = \sum_{i} (x_i - \hat{x}_i)^2 + (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$
 plug in

where (x_i, y_i) are the measured image positions and (\hat{x}_i, \hat{y}_i) are the *predicted positions* for any **P** and scene point (X_i, Y_i, Z_i) .

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{w}_i \hat{x}_i \\ \hat{w}_i \hat{y}_i \\ \hat{w}_i \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} & P_{13} & P_{14} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} & P_{23} & P_{24} \\ P_{31} & P_{32} & P_{33} & P_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_i \\ Y_i \\ Z_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \hat{x}_i = \frac{P_{11} X_i + P_{12} Y_i + P_{13} Z_i + P_{14}}{P_{31} X_i + P_{32} Y_i + P_{33} Z_i + P_{34}} \\ \hat{y}_i = \frac{P_{21} X_i + P_{22} Y_i + P_{23} Z_i + P_{24}}{P_{31} X_i + P_{32} Y_i + P_{33} Z_i + P_{34}}$$

This defines a *non-linear* least squares problem. How to solve it? One can make a linear approximation of this *error* (linear in the P_{ij}) which is of the form $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{b}\|^2$ and then apply a least squares method, and iterate similar to Lucas-Kanade.

Finally...

Having solved for a matrix P one can then factor it using linear algebra techniques.

(In an Appendix in the lecture notes, I have provided details on how to compute this factorization, for those who are interested. You will not be tested on this though.)

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} [\mathbf{I} | -\mathbf{C}]$$
3x4 3x3 3x4 3x4

Summary of Camera Calibration

• For each scene point and corresponding image point, rewrite the following as two equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} w_i x_i \\ w_i y_i \\ w_i \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} & P_{13} & P_{14} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} & P_{23} & P_{24} \\ P_{31} & P_{32} & P_{33} & P_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_i \\ Y_i \\ Z_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Stacking these 2N equations into a matrix and solve using least squares.
- Normalization of the data points gives better performance in practice.
- There are other ways to set up and solve the problem, e.g. non-linear least squares.

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Homographies 1

Recall (Lecture 15): Homogeneous Coordinates in 2D

Translation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x + T_x \\ y + T_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & T_x \\ 0 & 1 & T_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotation:

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

Recall (Lecture 15): Homogeneous Coordinates in 2D

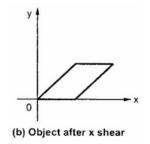
scaling

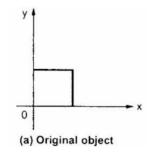
$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x x \\ \sigma_y y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_X & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_Y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

shear

Recall motion field of ground plane from last lecture

$$\begin{bmatrix} x + sy \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$





Affine (2D) transformation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & T_x \\ 0 & 1 & T_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0 \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 translation scaling rotation reflection shear

If we multiply such matrices, we always obtain a matrix of the form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note the two elements in bottom row that have value 0.

The resulting mapping is called a 2D *affine* transformation. It is invertible. (if scaling coefficients are non-zero 0).

Homography

Any 3×3 invertible matrix that maps between 2D "homogeneous points" is called a homography.

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} H_{11} & H_{12} & H_{13} \\ H_{21} & H_{22} & H_{23} \\ H_{31} & H_{32} & H_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} wx' \\ wy' \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \boldsymbol{H} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A *homography* is more general than an affine transform. In particular, it can capture perspective effects. (Very cool.)

Case 1

(we'll look at more cases next lecture)

Suppose we have a scene plane.

 (b_X, b_Y, b_Z)

 (a_X, a_Y, a_Z)

X world coordinates

(This is used in "texture mapping" in computer graphics)

$$\begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_X & b_X & X_0 \\ a_Y & b_Y & Y_0 \\ a_Z & b_Z & Z_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3D origin (X_0, Y_0, Z_0) corresponds to (s, t) = (0,0).

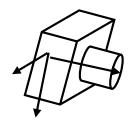
Examples



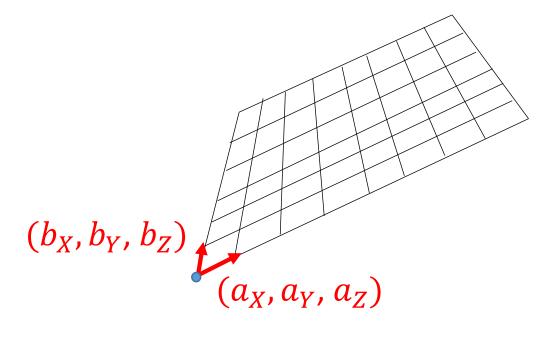
Ground plane + horizon



3 point perspective



Camera with projection matrix **P**



3x1

$$\begin{bmatrix} wx \\ wy \\ w \end{bmatrix} = P \begin{bmatrix} a_X & b_X & X_0 \\ a_Y & b_Y & Y_0 \\ a_Z & b_Z & Z_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

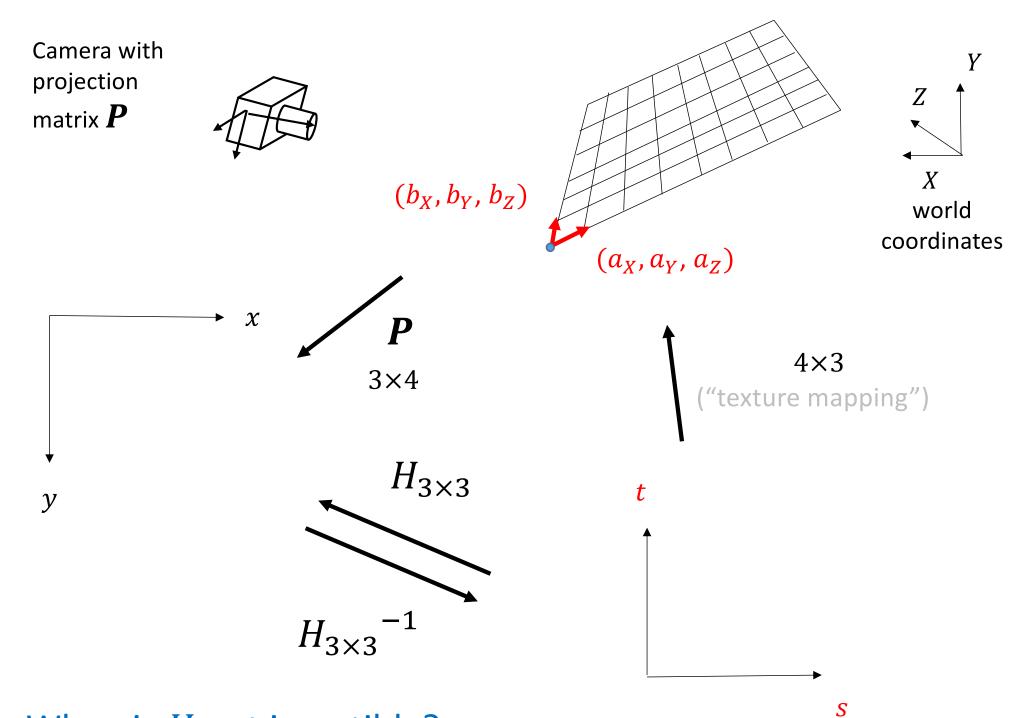
4x3

 $H_{3\times3}$

3x4

3x1

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Examples

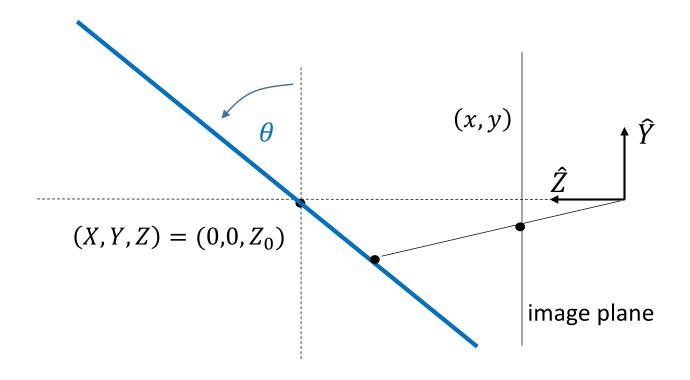


What is the homography that maps positions on the ground plane to positions in the image (or vice-versa)?



What is the homography that maps points on *one* plane of the building façade to positions in the image (or vice-versa)?

Exercise (see PDF)



Suppose a plane Z=0 is rotated by θ degrees about the X axis, and the origin is then translated to $(0,0,Z_0)$.

What is the homography that maps 3D points X(s,t) on this scene plane to points (x,y) in the image plane and vice-versa?

Next lecture: more on homographies

- Case 2: Suppose we have two different cameras looking at the same plane in the scene. What is the homography mapping pixels in one image to the other image?
- Case 3: Suppose we have one camera and we rotate it to obtain a second image. What is the homography needed to distort one image so that it aligns with the other?
- Case 4: Suppose we have two cameras looking at a nonplanar 3D scene. How can we "rectify" the cameras?
- How to find matching points in two images ?