

# SHAPE FROM X

One image:

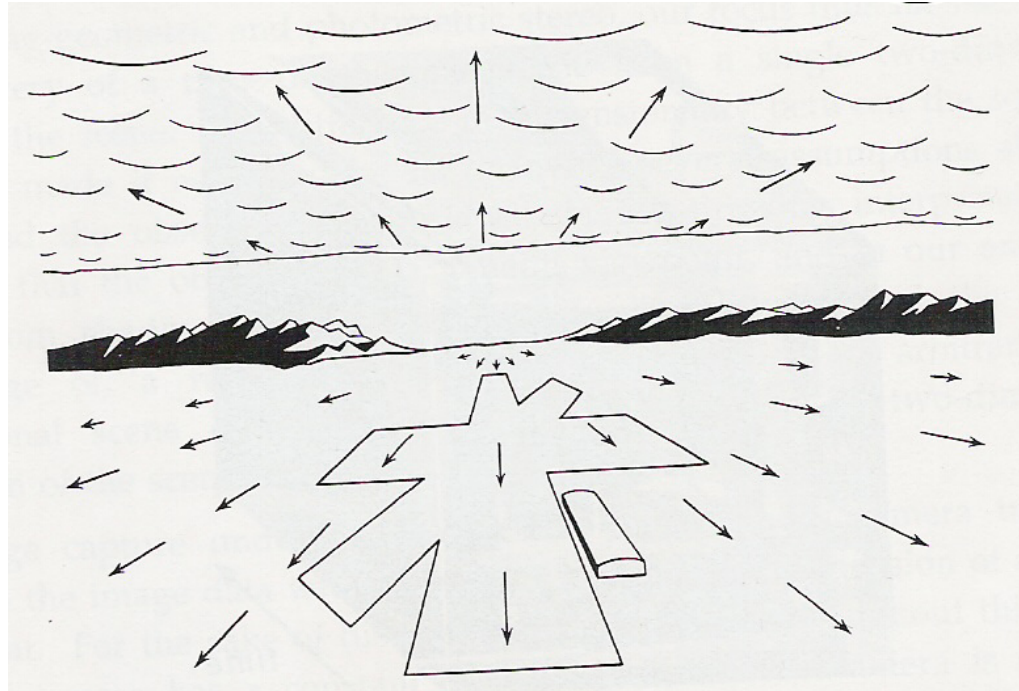
- Texture
- Shading

Two images or more:

- Stereo
- Contours
- **Motion**



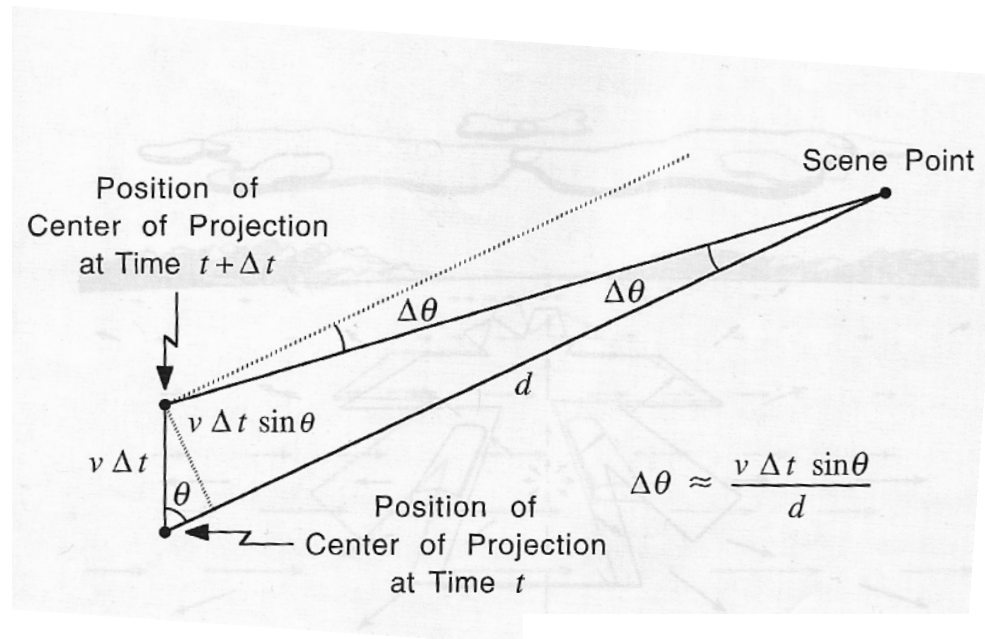
# MOTION



*When objects move at equal speed, those more remote seem to move more slowly.*

Euclid, 300 BC

# VELOCITY vs DISTANCE



Velocity is:

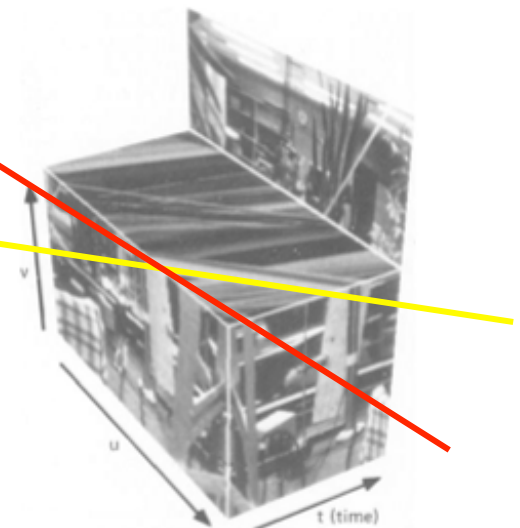
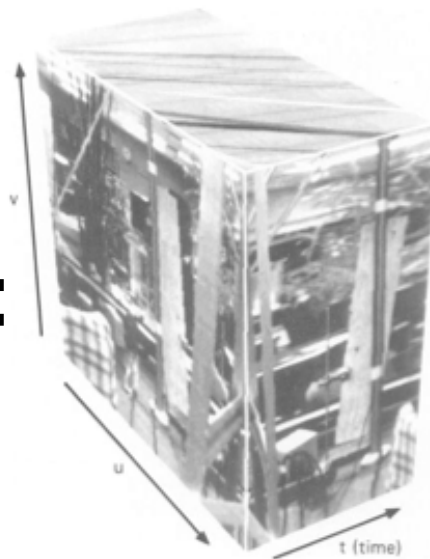
- Inversely proportional to the distance of the point to the observer.
- Proportional to the sine of the angle between the line of sight and the direction of translation.

# EPIPOLAR PLANE ANALYSIS

Sequence:



Image cube:



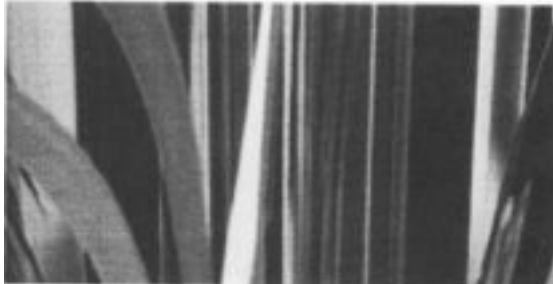
Bolles et al. , IJCV'87

# GENERALIZED MOTION

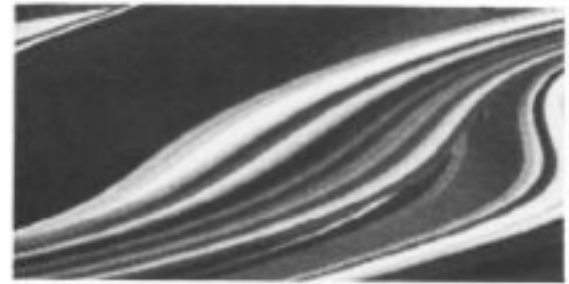
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Orthogonal  
viewing

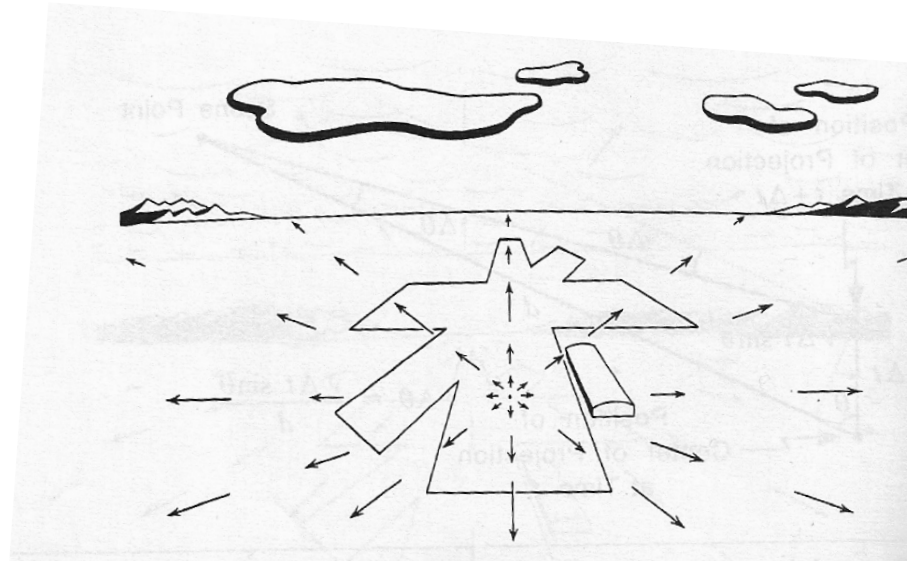


Non-orthogonal  
viewing



View direction  
varying

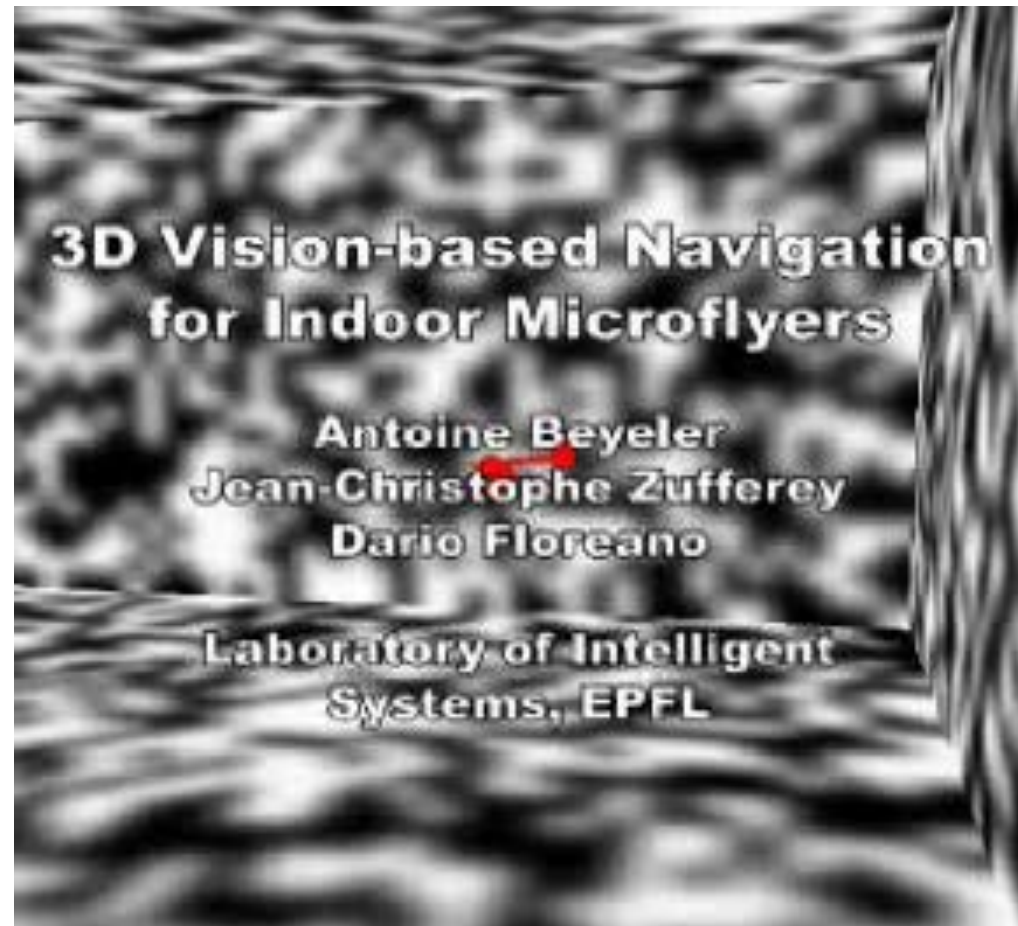
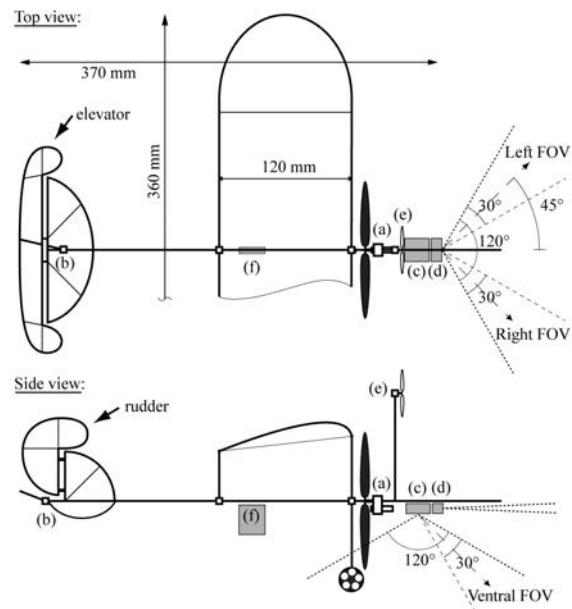
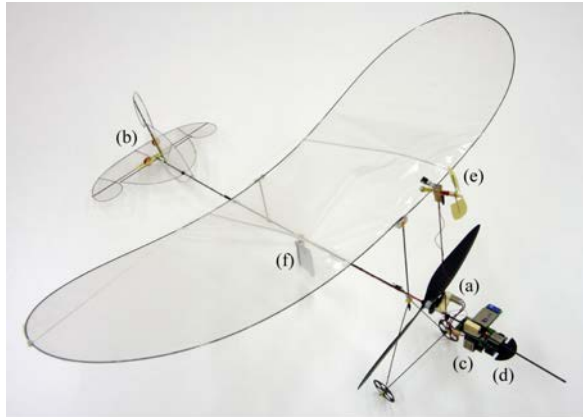
# FOCUS OF EXPANSION



For a translational motion of the camera, all the **motion-field** vectors converge or diverge from a single point: the focus of expansion (FOE) or contraction (FOC).



# MICROFLYER



Zufferey et al. , IJMAR 2010.

# MOTION FIELD ESTIMATION



Approaches classified with respect to the assumptions they make about the scene:

- Images properties are preserved under relative motion between the camera and the scene.
- Feature points can be tracked across frames.



# ASSUMPTION 1: BRIGHTNESS CONSTANCY

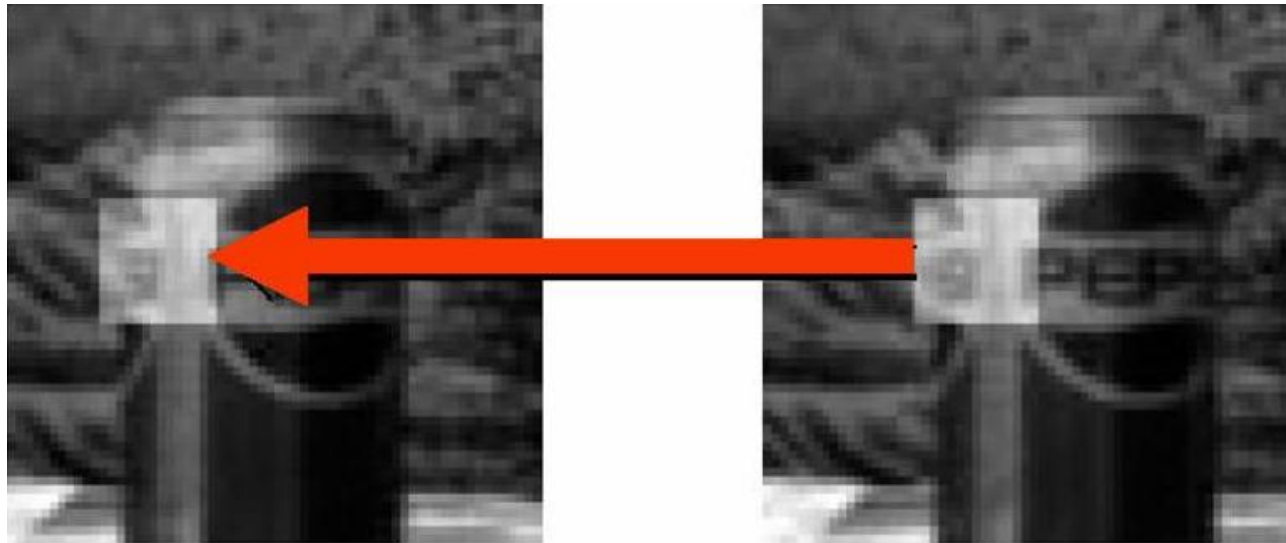
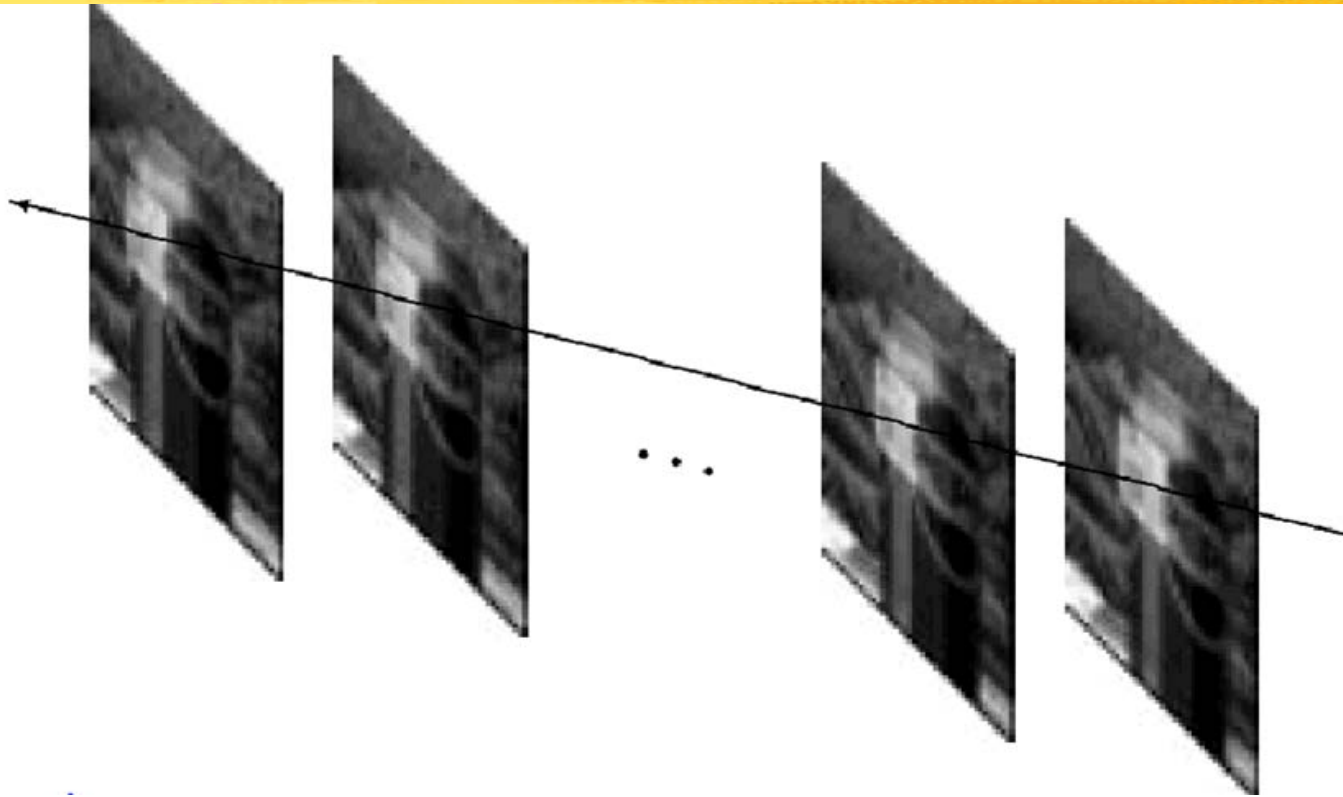


Image measurements (e.g. brightness) in a small region remain the same although its location may change.

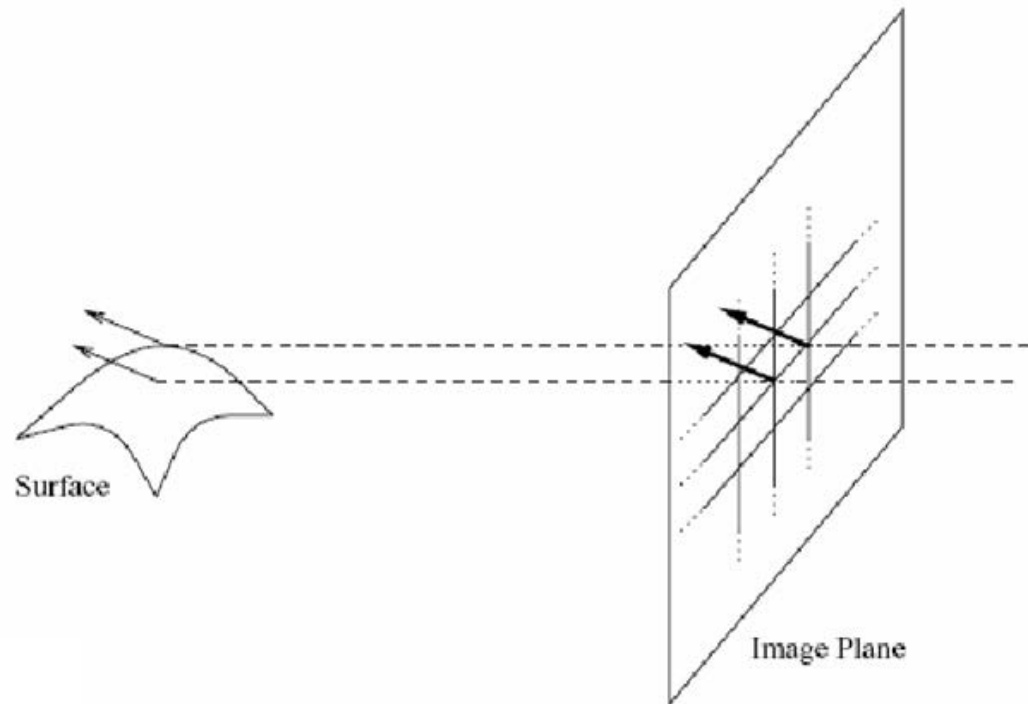
$$I(x + u, y + v, t) = I(x, y, t)$$

# ASSUMPTION 2: TEMPORAL CONSISTENCY



The image motion of a surface patch changes gradually over time.

# ASSUMPTION 3: SPATIAL COHERENCE



- Neighboring points in the scene typically belong to the same surface and hence have similar motions.
- Since they also project to nearby image locations, we expect spatial coherence of the flow.

# SPATIO TEMPORAL DERIVATIVES



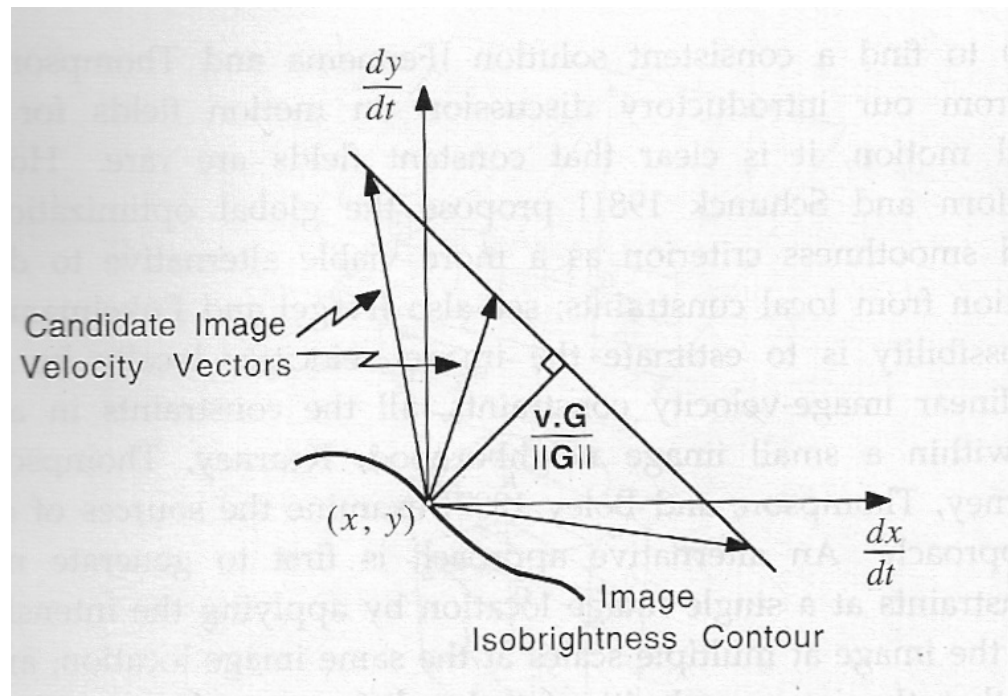
Under the assumptions of

- Brightness constancy,
- Temporal consistency,

we write:  $cte = I(x(t), y(t), t)$

$$0 = \frac{dI}{dt} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial I}{\partial t}$$

# NORMAL FLOW EQUATION



$$v \frac{G}{\|G\|} = - \frac{\frac{\partial I}{\partial t}}{\sqrt{\frac{\partial I^2}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial I^2}{\partial y}}}$$

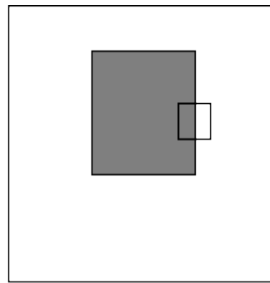
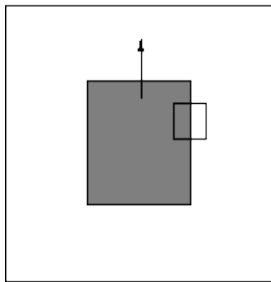
$$G = \left[ \frac{\partial I}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \right]$$

$$v = \left[ \frac{dx}{dt}, \frac{dy}{dt} \right]$$

# AMBIGUITIES

At each pixel, we have one equation and two unknowns.

--> Only the flow component in the gradient direction can be determined locally.



The motion is parallel to the edge, and it cannot be determined.



# LOCAL CONSTANCY

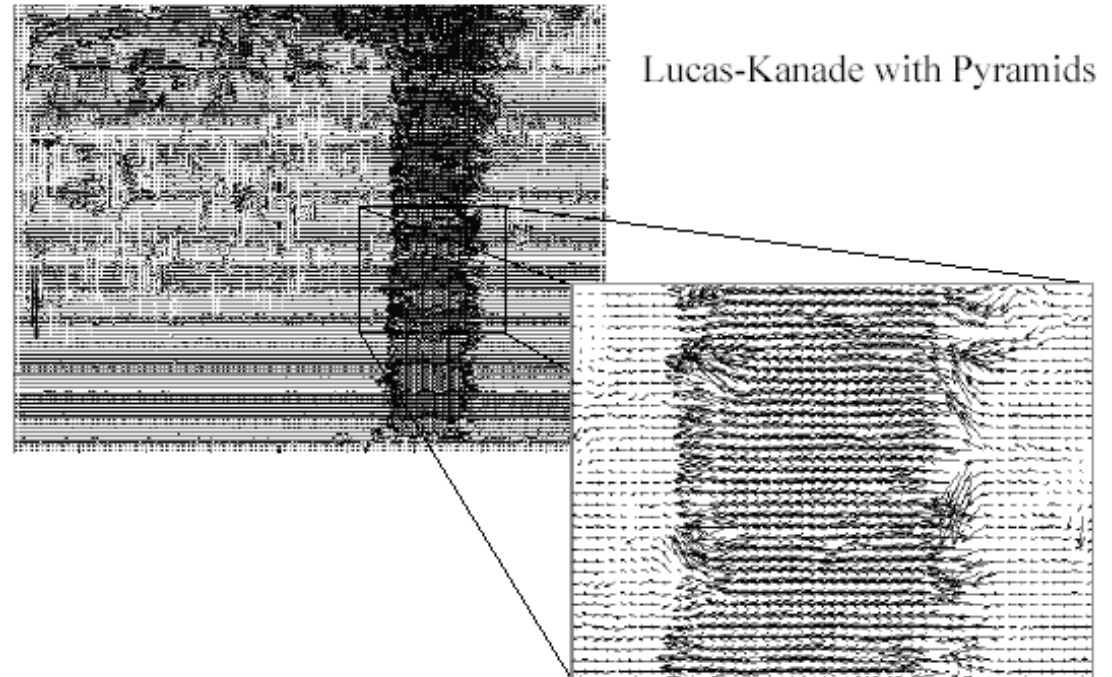


Assume the flow to constant is a 5x5 window:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_x(p_1) & I_y(p_1) \\ I_x(p_2) & I_y(p_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ I_x(p_{25}) & I_y(p_{25}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} I_t(p_1) \\ I_t(p_2) \\ \vdots \\ I_t(p_{25}) \end{bmatrix}$$

--> 25 equations for 2 unknown, which can be solved in the least squares sense.

# ENFORCING CONSISTENCY



Under the assumption of spatial coherence:

- Hough Transform on the motion vectors.
- Regularization of the motion field.
- Multi scale approach.

But, the world is neither Lambertian nor smooth → Assumptions rarely valid.

# TRACKING POINTS ACROSS IMAGES

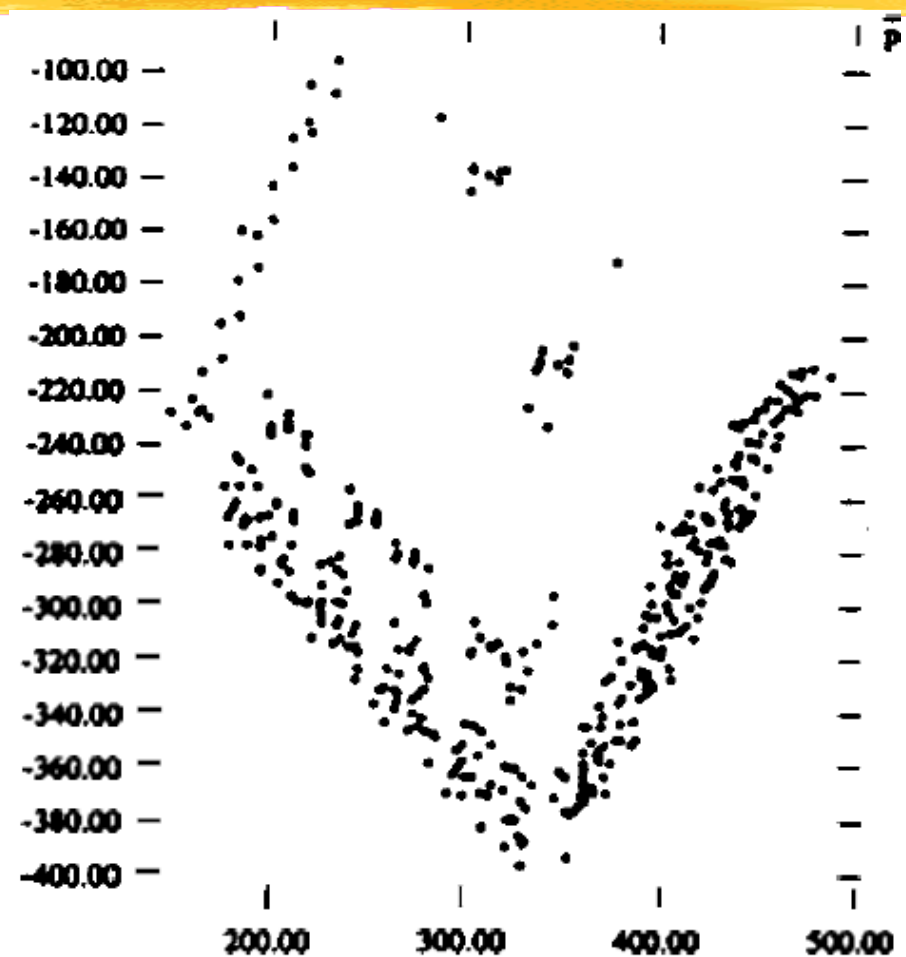
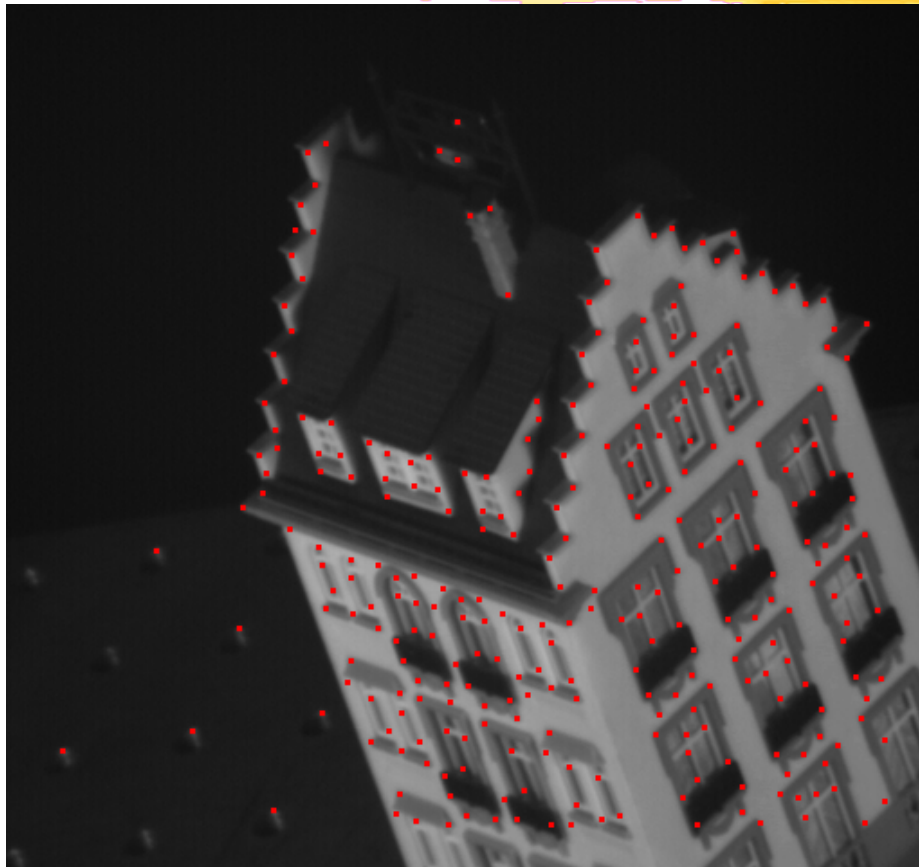
$x_1^3$



$x_2^3$



# SHAPE RECONSTRUCTION



Factoring Image Sequences into Shape and Motion, C. Tomasi and T. Kanade, Proc. IEEE Workshop on Visual Motion (1991).

# MULTI-VIEW PROJECTION

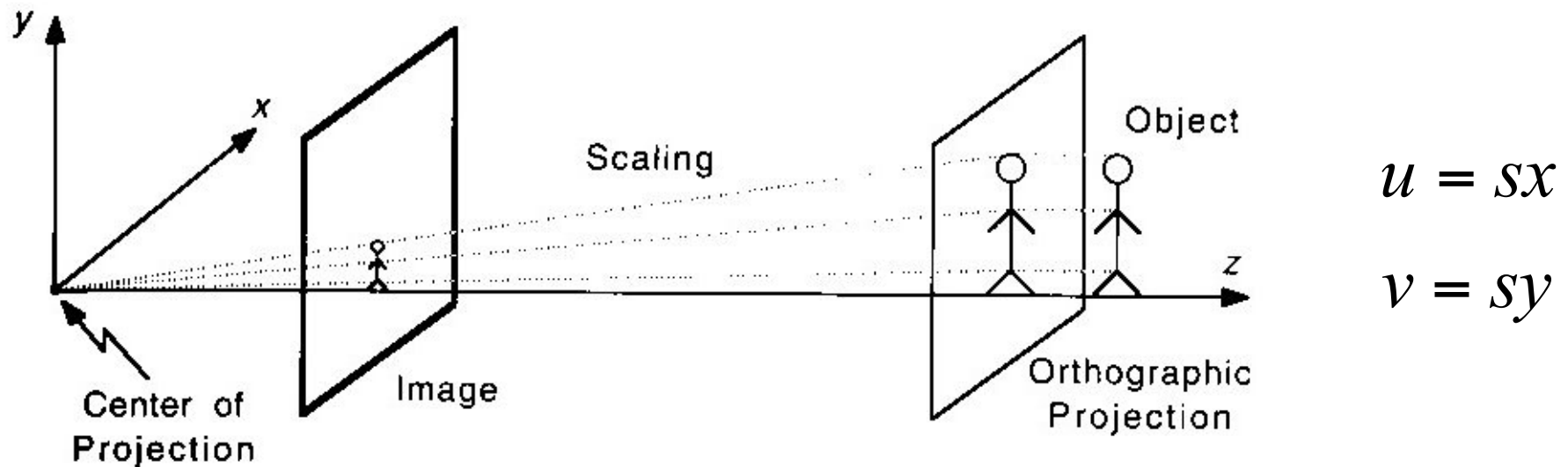


$n$  image points are projected from 3-D scene points over  $m$  views via

$$\mathbf{x}_j^i = \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{X}_j$$

where  $i = 1, \dots, m$  and  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . Here each  $\mathbf{P}^i$  is a  $3 \times 4$  matrix and each  $\mathbf{X}_j$  is a homogeneous 4-vector

# ORTHOGRAPHIC PROJECTION



Special case of perspective projection:

- Large  $f$
  - Objects close to the optical axis
- Parallel lines mapped into parallel lines.



# MULTI-VIEW ORTHOGRAPHIC PROJECTION



The last row of each  $\mathbf{P}^i$  is  $(0, 0, 0, 1)$  for affine cameras, so we can “ignore” it and write the orthographic projection as:

$$\mathbf{x}_j^i = \mathbf{M}^i \mathbf{X}_j + \mathbf{t}^i$$

where each  $\mathbf{X}_j$  is now an inhomogeneous 3-vector, each  $\mathbf{M}^i$  a  $2 \times 3$  matrix, and each  $\mathbf{t}^i$  a 2-vector.

# RECONSTRUCTION PROBLEM



Estimate affine cameras  $\mathbf{M}^i$ , translations  $\mathbf{t}^i$ , and 3-D points  $\mathbf{X}_j$  that minimize the geometric error in image coordinates:

$$\min_{\mathbf{M}^i, \mathbf{t}^i, \mathbf{X}_j} \sum_{i,j} \left( \mathbf{x}_j^i - (\mathbf{M}^i \mathbf{X}_j + \mathbf{t}^i) \right)^2$$

# SIMPLIFYING THE PROBLEM

Normalization: We can eliminate the translation vectors  $\mathbf{t}^i$  by choosing the centroid of the image points in each image as the coordinate system origin

$$\mathbf{x}_j^i \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_j^i - \frac{1}{n} \sum_j \mathbf{x}_j^i$$

Working in “centered coordinates”, the minimization problem becomes:

$$\min_{\mathbf{M}^i, \mathbf{X}_j} \sum_{i,j} (\mathbf{x}_j^i - \mathbf{M}^i \mathbf{X}_j)^2$$

This works because the centroid of the 3-D points is preserved under affine transformations

# MATRIX FORMULATION

Let the *measurement* matrix be:

$$\mathbf{W} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1^1 & \mathbf{x}_2^1 & \dots & \mathbf{x}_n^1 \\ \mathbf{x}_1^2 & \mathbf{x}_2^2 & \dots & \mathbf{x}_n^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_1^m & \mathbf{x}_2^m & \dots & \mathbf{x}_n^m \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $\mathbf{x}_j^i = \mathbf{M}^i \mathbf{X}_j$ , minimizing means solving:

$$\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}^1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{M}^m \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n]$$

$2m \times 3$   $3 \times n$

# SOLVING WITH SVD



There will be no exact solution with noisy points, so we want the nearest  $\mathbf{W}'$  to  $\mathbf{W}$  that is an exact solution

$\mathbf{W}'$  is rank 3 since it's the product of a  $2m \times 3$  motion matrix  $\mathbf{M}'$  and a  $3 \times n$  structure matrix  $\mathbf{X}'$

Use singular value decomposition to get rank 3 matrix  $\mathbf{W}'$  closest to  $\mathbf{W}$

Let SVD of  $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^T$

Then  $\mathbf{W}' = \mathbf{U}_{2m \times 3} \mathbf{D}_{3 \times 3} \mathbf{V}_{n \times 3}^T$ , where  $\mathbf{U}_{2m \times 3}$  is the first 3 columns of  $\mathbf{U}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}_{3 \times 3}$  is an upper-left  $3 \times 3$  submatrix of  $\mathbf{D}$ , and  $\mathbf{V}_{n \times 3}^T$  is first three columns of  $\mathbf{V}$ .

# STRUCTURE AND MOTION



Set stacked camera matrix as

$$\mathbf{M}' = \mathbf{U}_{2m \times 3} \text{sqrt}(\mathbf{D}_{3 \times 3})$$

and stacked 3-D structure matrix as

$$\mathbf{X}' = \text{sqrt}(\mathbf{D}_{3 \times 3}) \mathbf{V}_{n \times 3}^T$$

so that  $\mathbf{W}' = \mathbf{M}' \mathbf{X}'$



# METRIC UPGRADE



There is an affine ambiguity since an arbitrary 3 x 3 rank 3 matrix **A** can be inserted as:

$$\mathbf{W}' = (\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{A})(\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{X}')$$

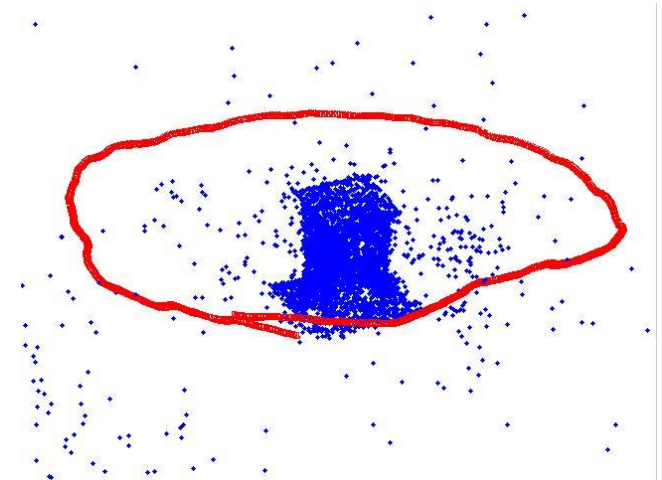
Get rid of ambiguity by finding **A** that performs “metric rectification”

Affine camera provides orthonormality constraints on **A**:

Rows of  $\mathbf{M}=\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{A}$  are unit vectors:  $\mathbf{m}_i \cdot \mathbf{m}_i = 1$ .

Rows of  $\mathbf{M}=\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{A}$  are orthogonal:  $\mathbf{m}_i \cdot \mathbf{m}_j = 0$ .

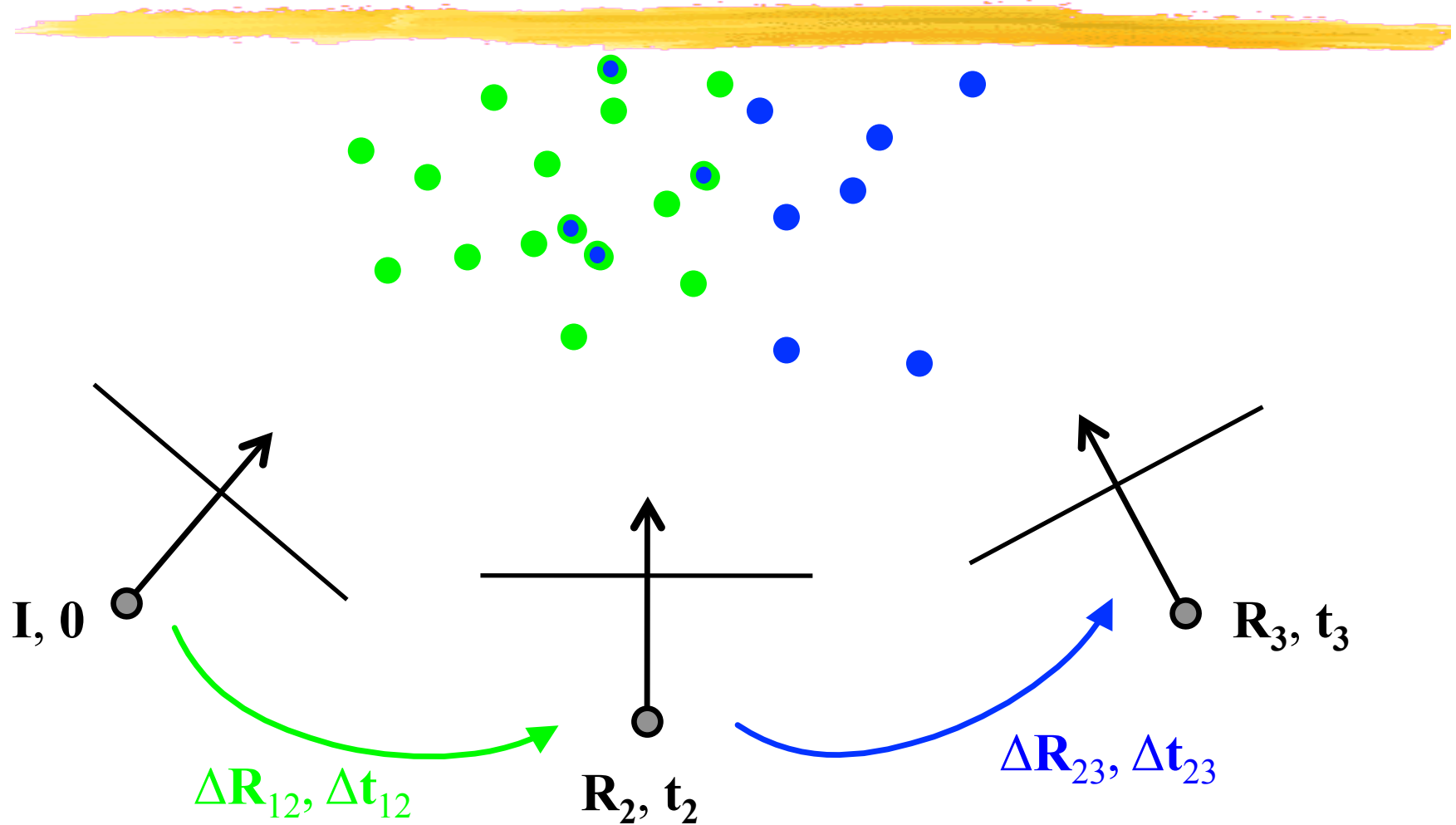
# SIMULTANEOUS LOCALIZATION AND MAPPING



Stedly et al., ICCV'03

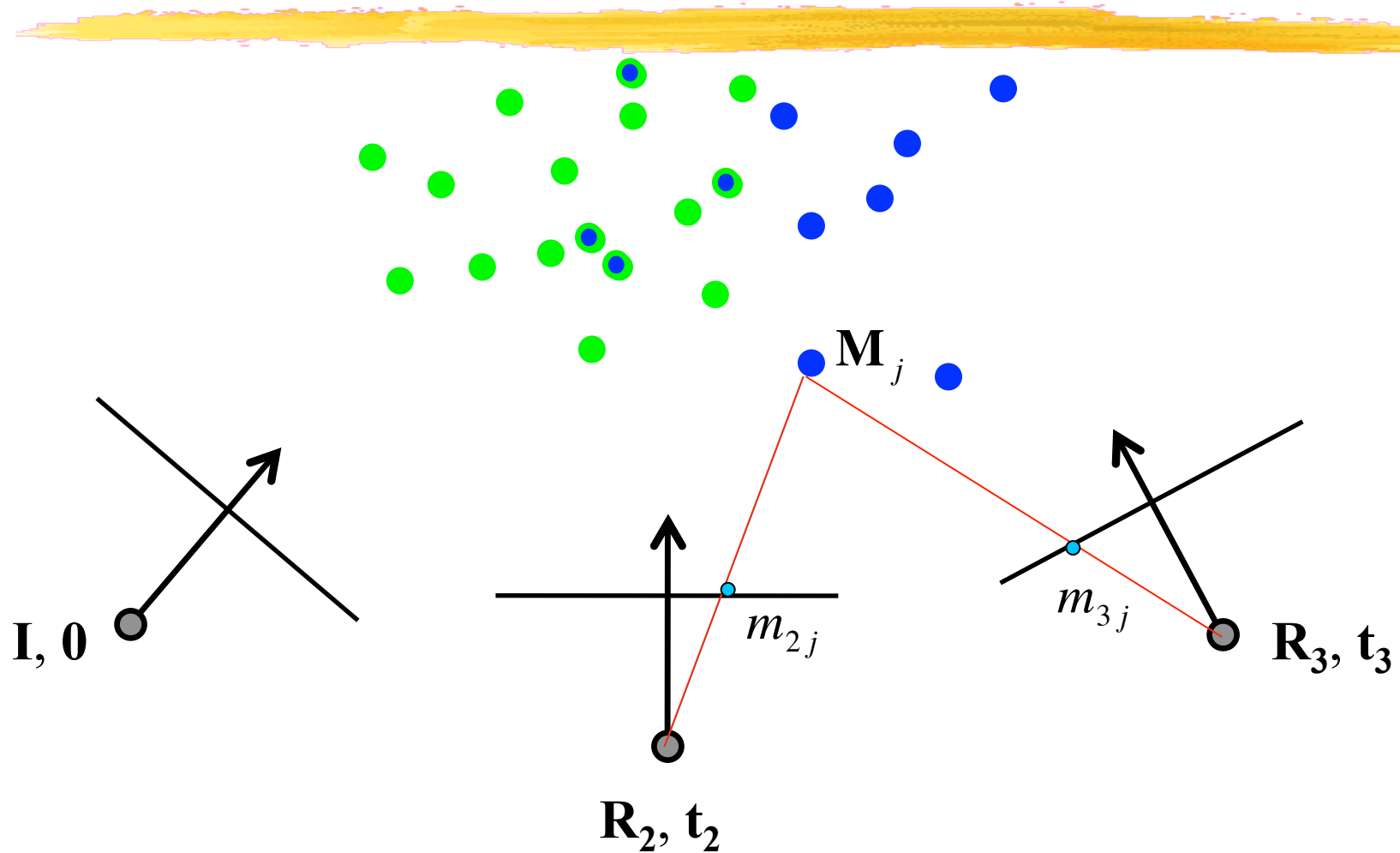
- Compute point tracks.
- Infer both camera motion and 3D structure.

# SEQUENTIAL STRUCTURE FROM MOTION



-> Trajectory and 3D points defined up to a Euclidean motion and scale

# BUNDLE ADJUSTMENT



$$\arg \min_{\{R_i, t_i, M_j\}} \sum_i \sum_j \left\| \text{proj}(R_i, t_i, M_j) - m_{ij} \right\|^2$$

# GLOBAL OPTIMIZATION



$$\arg \min_{\{\mathbf{R}_i, \mathbf{t}_i, \mathbf{M}_j\}} \sum_i \sum_j \left\| \text{proj}(\mathbf{R}_i, \mathbf{t}_i, \mathbf{M}_j) - \mathbf{m}_{ij} \right\|^2$$

- Often performed using the Levenberg-Marquardt algorithm.
- Many parameters to estimate, but sparse Jacobian matrix.
- Initial estimates computed using the eight point algorithm:

Given 8 point correspondences between a pair of images,  
 $\Delta \mathbf{R}$  and  $\Delta \mathbf{t}$  can be estimated in closed form by solving an  
SVD.

# AUGMENTED REALITY



Parallel Tracking and Mapping  
for Small AR Workspaces

Extra video results made for  
ISMAR 2007 conference

Georg Klein and David Murray  
Active Vision Laboratory  
University of Oxford



# STRENGTHS AND LIMITATIONS



## Strengths:

- Combine information from many images.

## Limitations:

- Requires multiple views.
- Involves strong assumptions.