



Image Formation I

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GEOMETRIC CAMERA MODELS

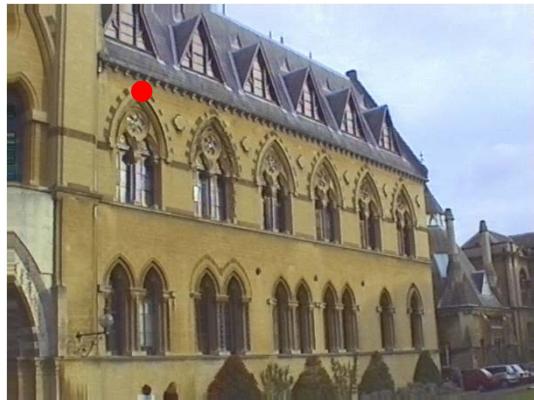
- The Intrinsic Parameters of a Camera
- The Extrinsic Parameters of a Camera
- The General Form of the Perspective Projection Equation
- Line Geometry

Reading: Chapter 2.



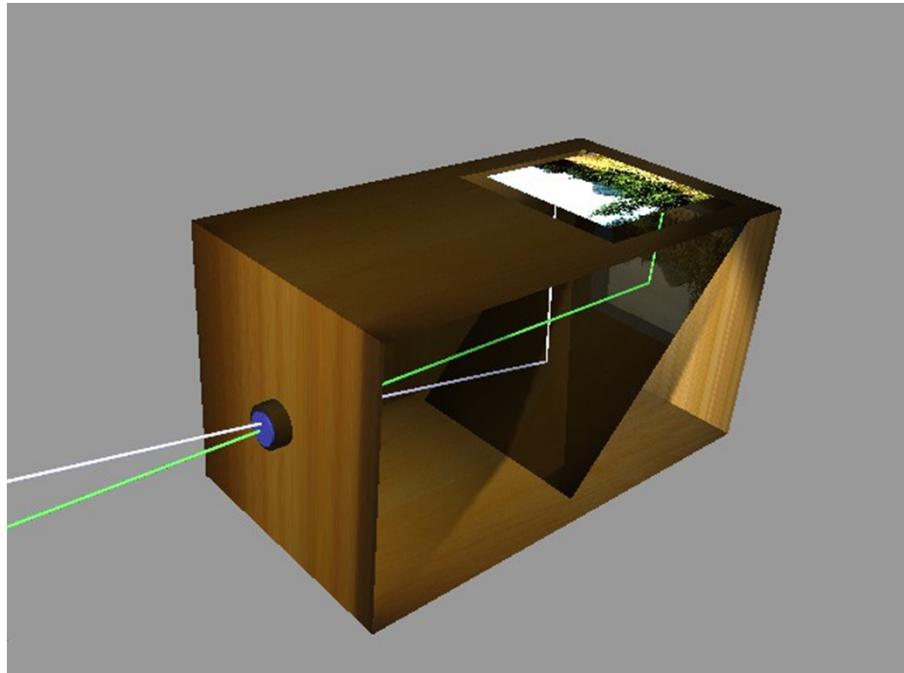
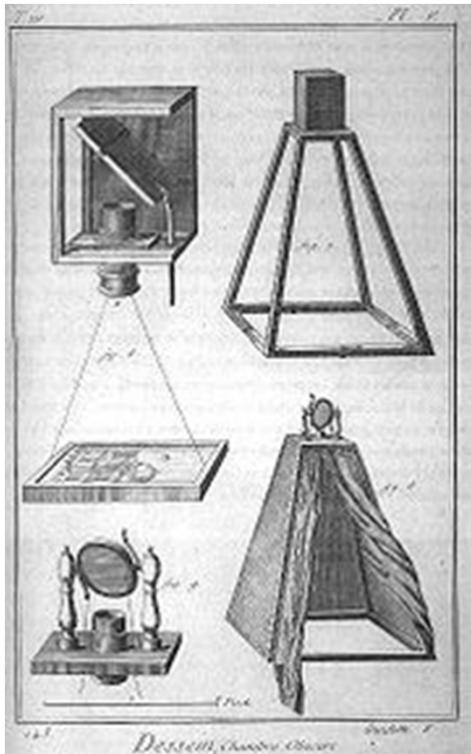
Camera model

Relation between pixels and rays in space





Camera obscura + lens



The **camera obscura** (Latin for 'dark room') is an optical device that projects an image of its surroundings on a screen (source Wikipedia).



Physical parameters of image formation

- Geometric
 - Type of projection
 - Camera pose
- Photometric
 - Type, direction, intensity of light reaching sensor
 - Surfaces' reflectance properties
- Optical
 - Sensor's lens type
 - focal length, field of view, aperture
- Sensor
 - sampling, etc.

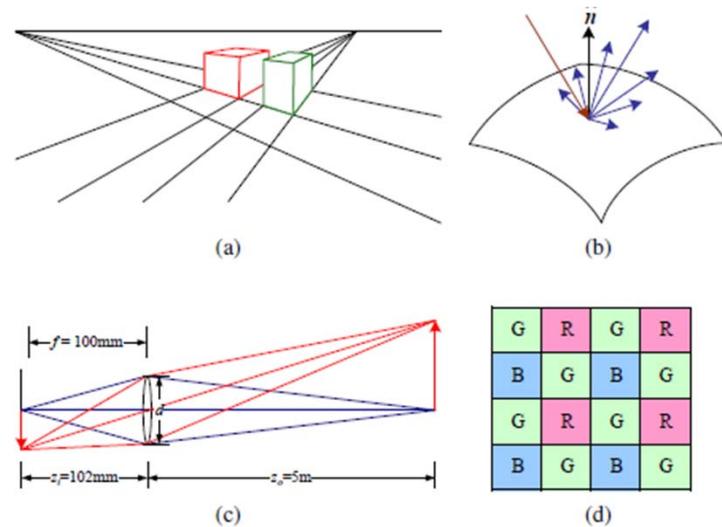


Figure 2.1 A few components of the image formation process: (a) perspective projection; (b) light scattering when hitting a surface; (c) lens optics; (d) Bayer color filter array.

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Perspective and art

- Use of correct perspective projection indicated in 1st century B.C. frescoes
- Skill resurfaces in Renaissance: artists develop systematic methods to determine perspective projection (around 1480-1515)



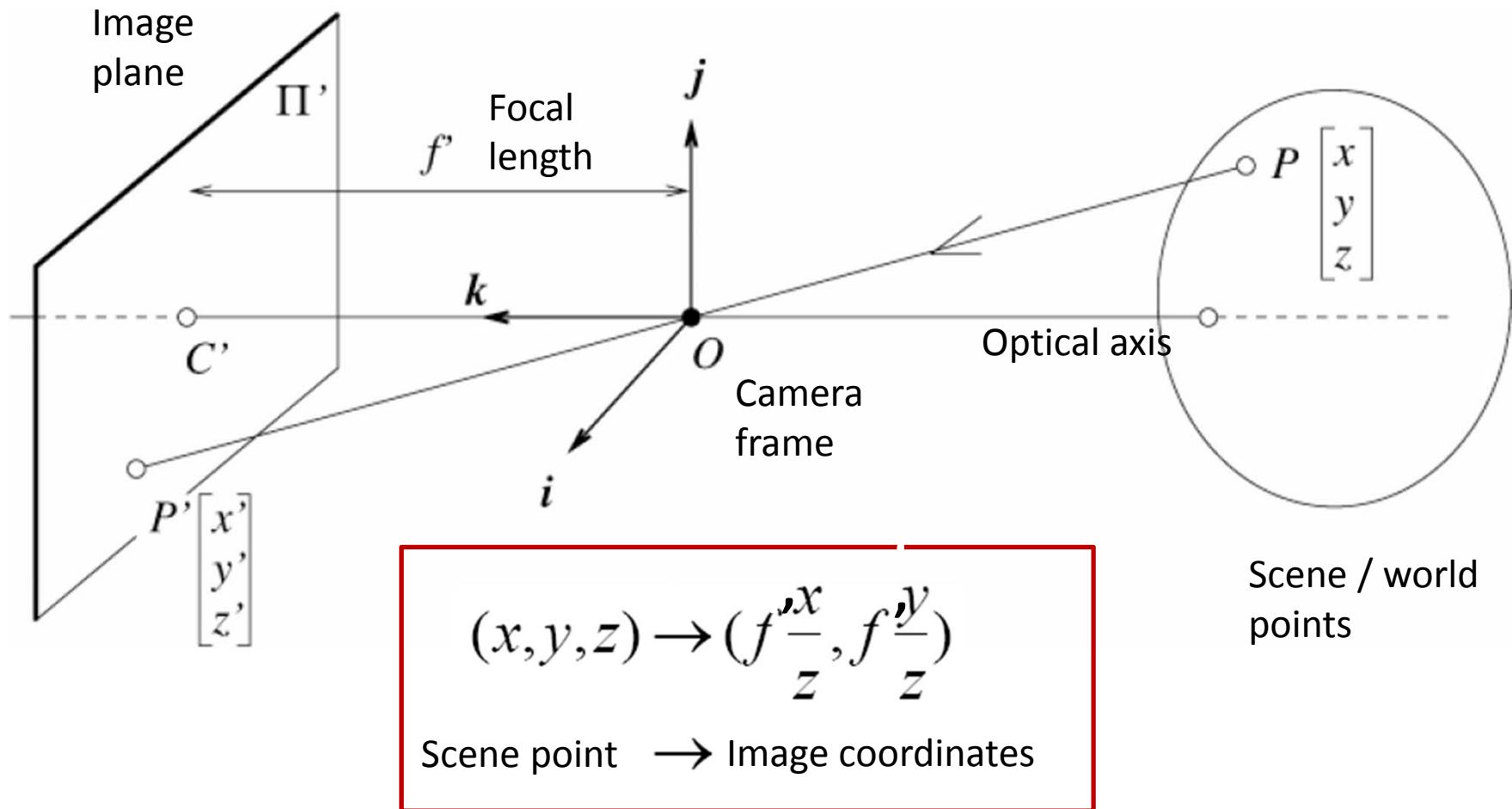
Raphael



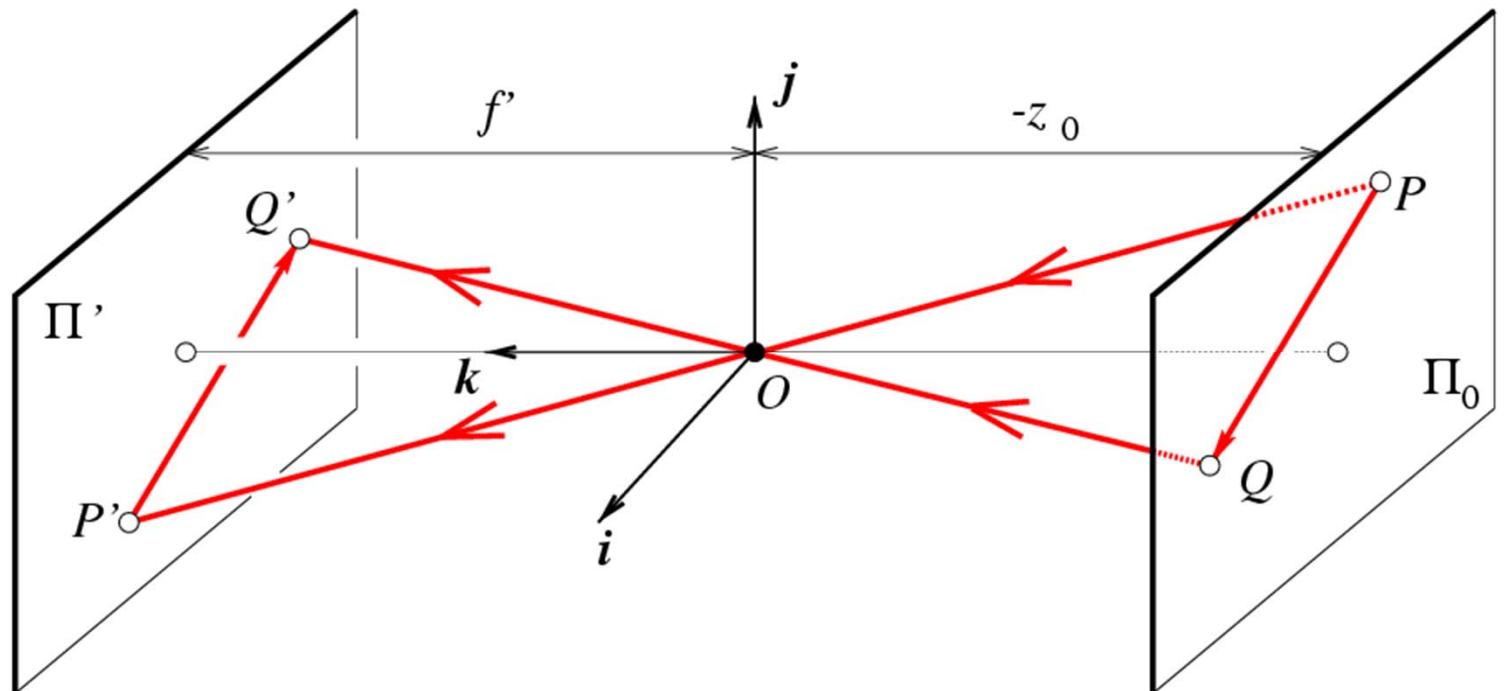
Durer, 1525

Perspective projection equations

- 3d world mapped to 2d projection in image plane



Affine projection models: Weak perspective projection

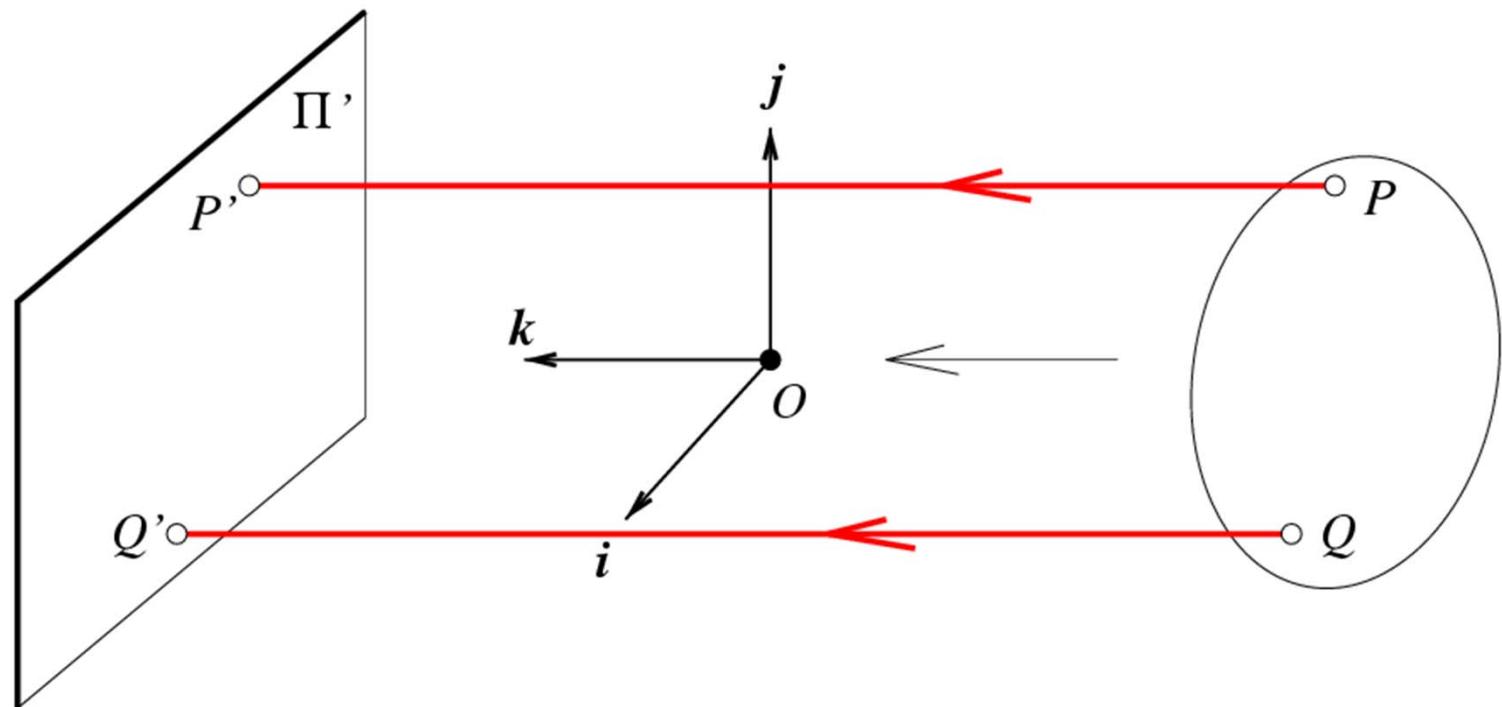


$$\begin{cases} x' = -mx \\ y' = -my \end{cases}$$

where $m = -\frac{f'}{z_0}$ is the magnification.

When the scene relief is small compared its distance from the Camera, m can be taken constant: weak perspective projection.

Affine projection models: Orthographic projection



$$\begin{cases} x' = x \\ y' = y \end{cases}$$

When the camera is at a
(roughly constant) distance
from the scene, take $m=1$.

Homogeneous coordinates

Is this a linear transformation?

- no—division by z is nonlinear

Trick: add one more coordinate:

$$(x, y) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

homogeneous image
coordinates

$$(x, y, z) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

homogeneous scene
coordinates

Converting *from* homogeneous coordinates

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (x/w, y/w)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (x/w, y/w, z/w)$$

Perspective Projection Matrix

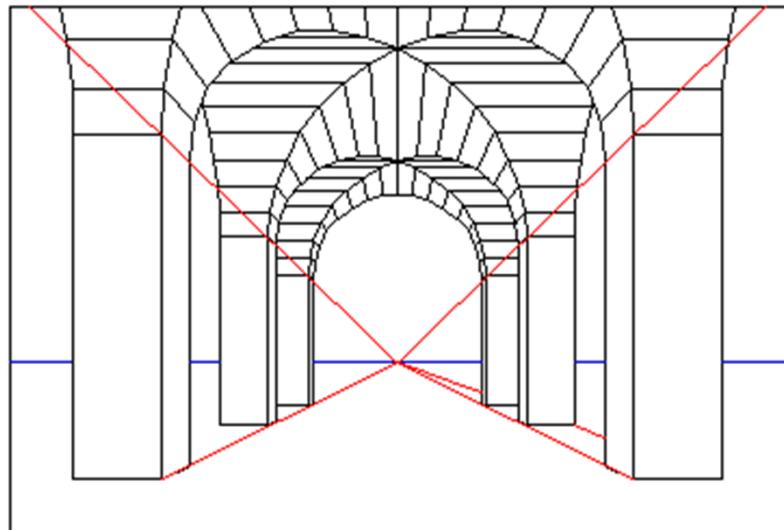
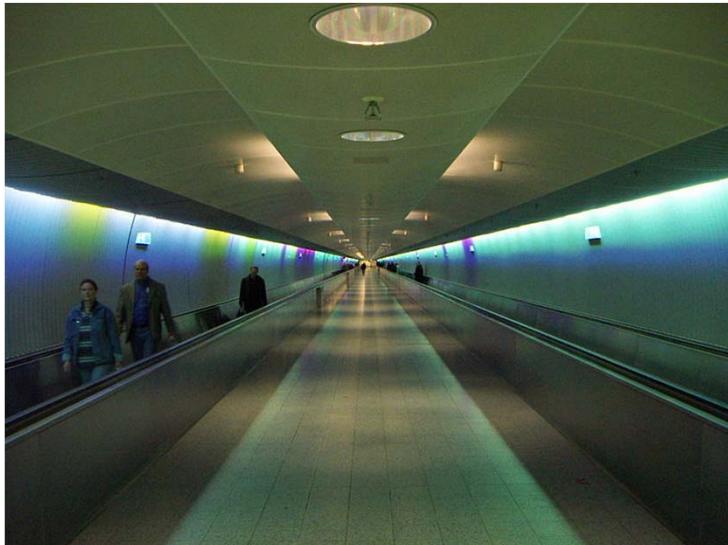
- Projection is a matrix multiplication using homogeneous coordinates:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/f' & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z/f' \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \left(f' \frac{x}{z}, f' \frac{y}{z} \right)$$

divide by the third coordinate
to convert back to non-homogeneous coordinates

Complete mapping from world points to image pixel positions?

Points at infinity, vanishing points



Points from infinity represent rays into camera which are close to the optimal axis.

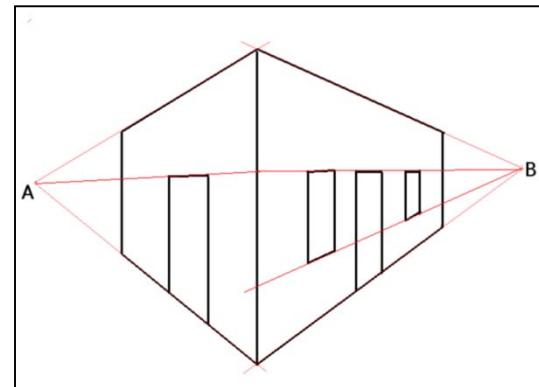
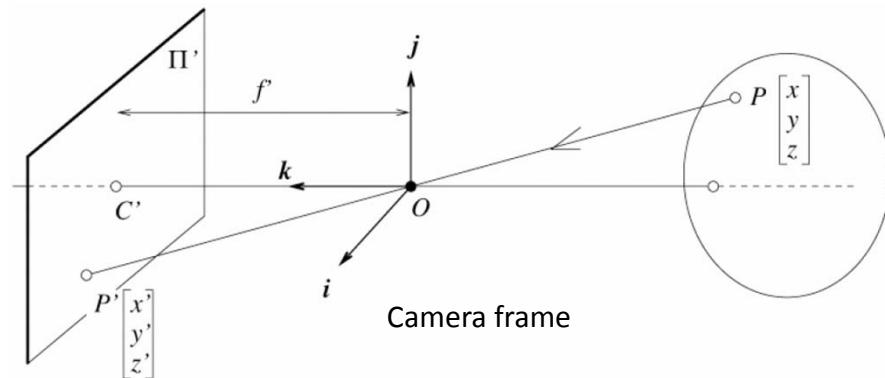


Image source: wikipedia

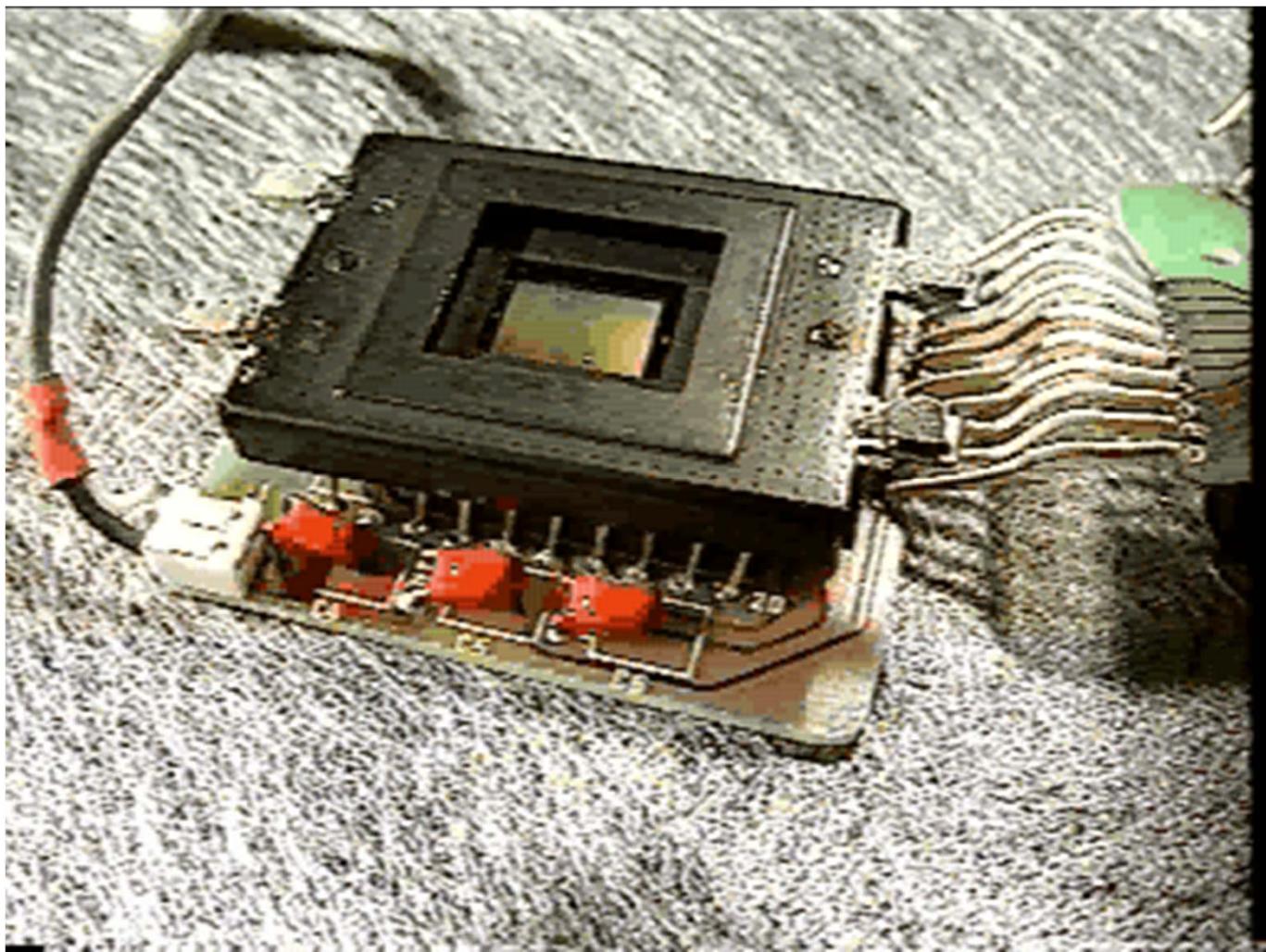
Perspective projection & calibration

- Perspective equations so far in terms of *camera's reference frame*....
- Camera's *intrinsic* and *extrinsic* parameters needed to calibrate geometry.

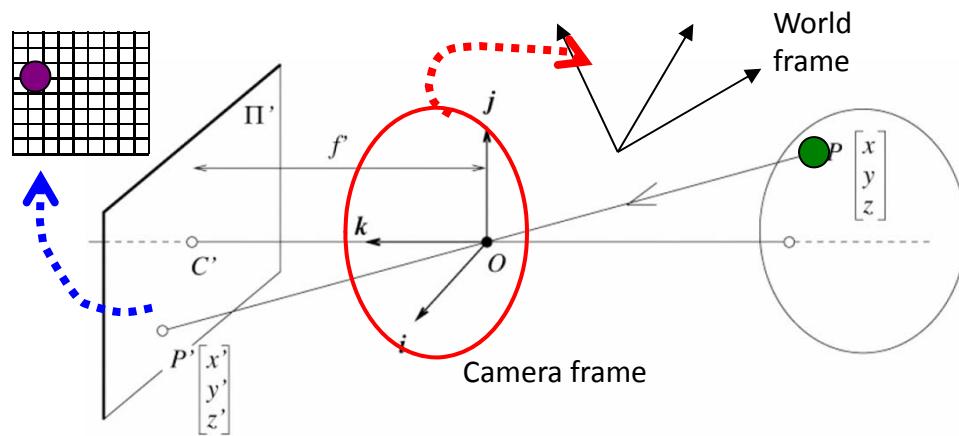




The CCD camera



Perspective projection & calibration



Extrinsic:

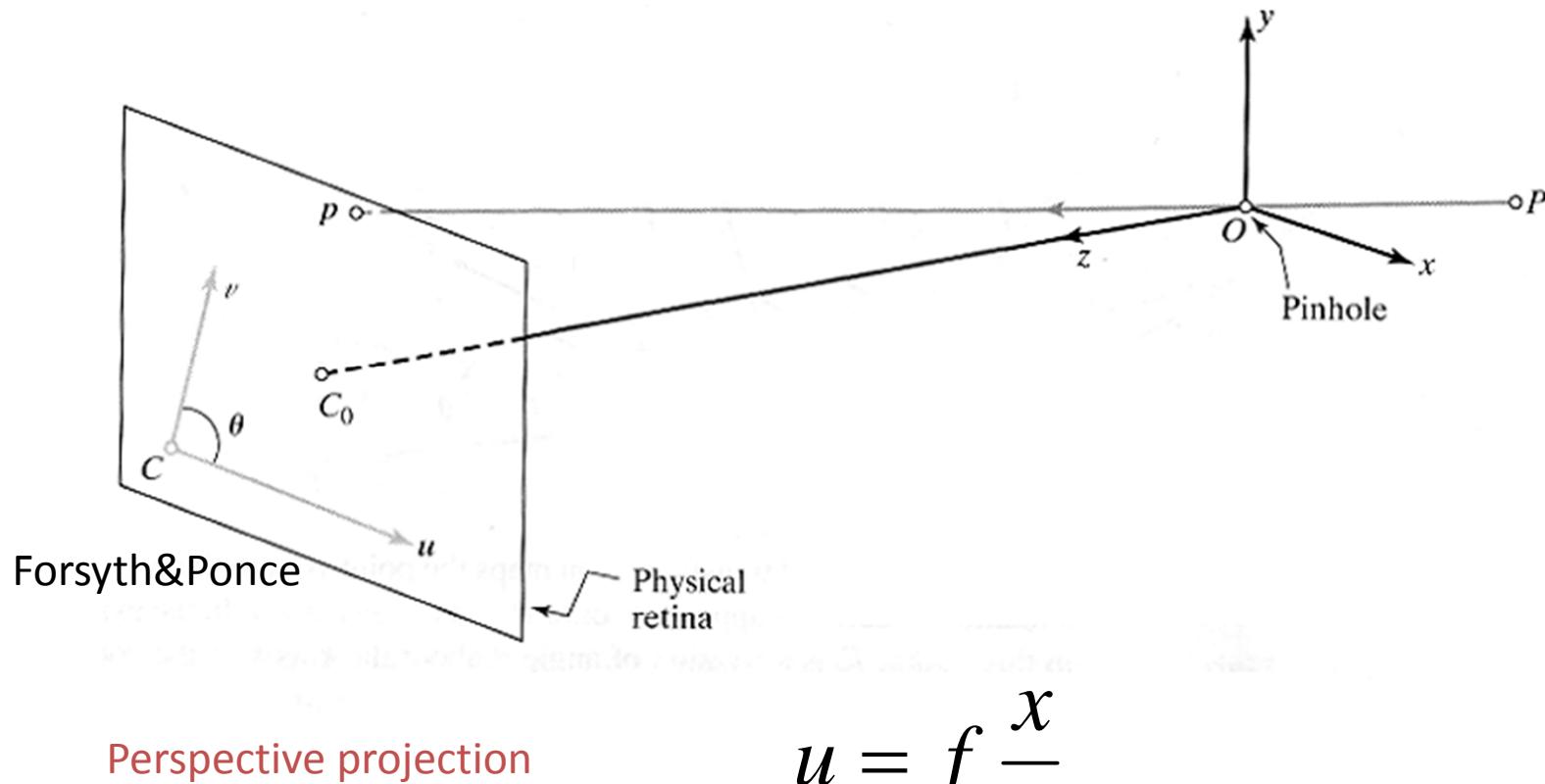
Camera frame \leftrightarrow World frame

Intrinsic:

Image coordinates relative to camera
 \leftrightarrow Pixel coordinates

3D
point
(4x1)

Intrinsic parameters: from idealized world coordinates to pixel values

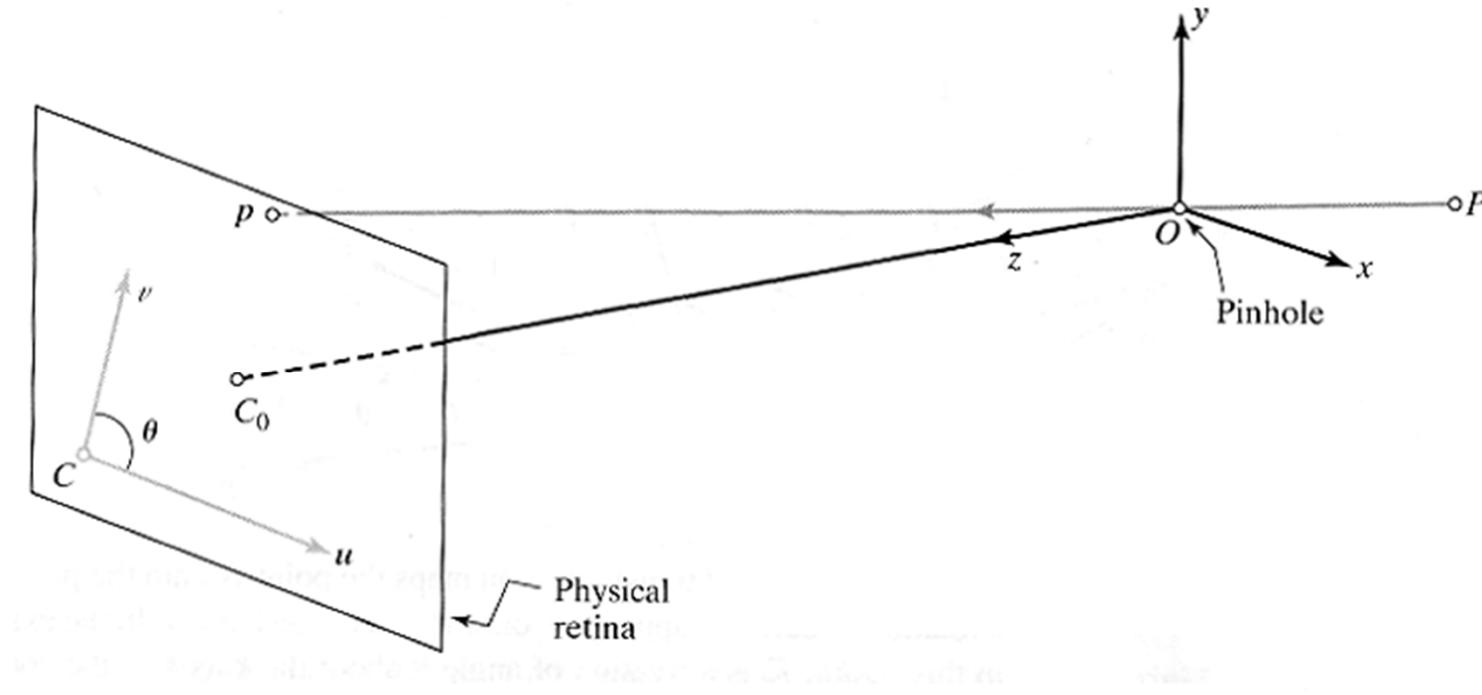


Perspective projection

$$u = f \frac{x}{z}$$

$$v = f \frac{y}{z}$$

Intrinsic parameters

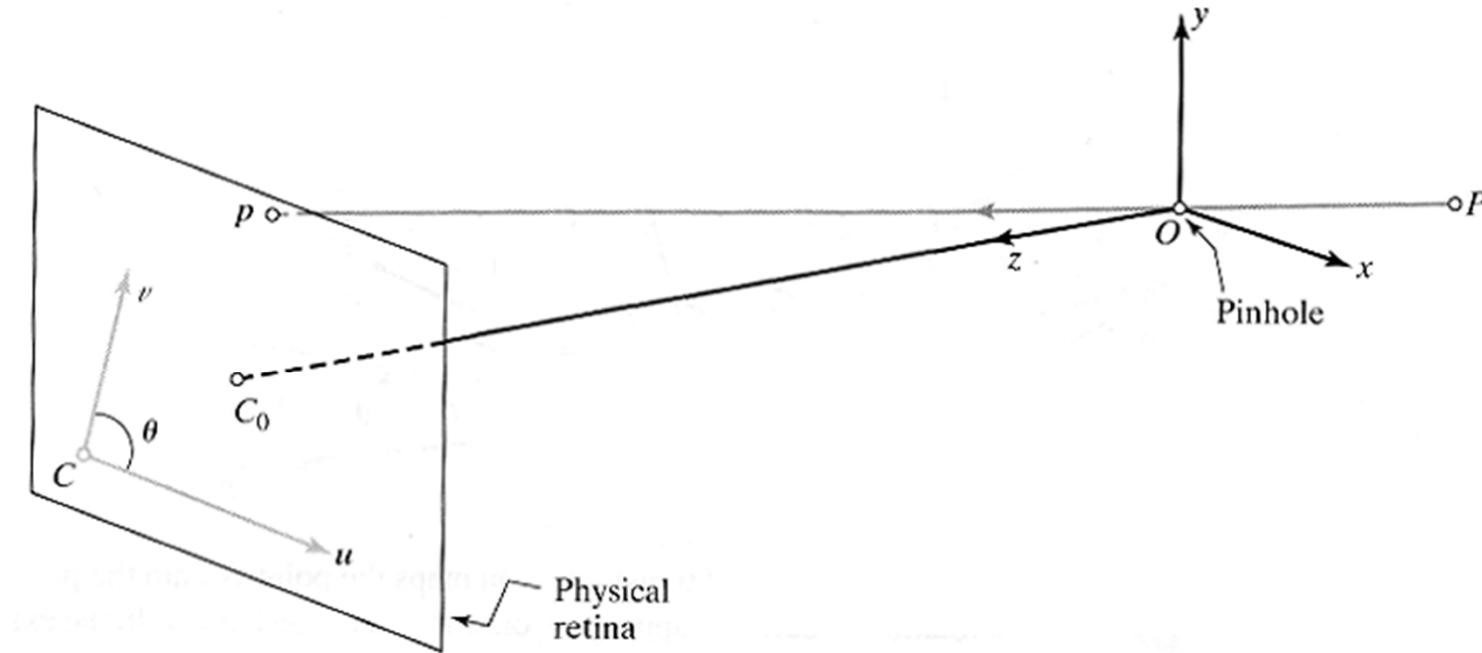


But “pixels” are in some arbitrary spatial units

$$u = \alpha \frac{x}{z}$$

$$v = \alpha \frac{y}{z}$$

Intrinsic parameters

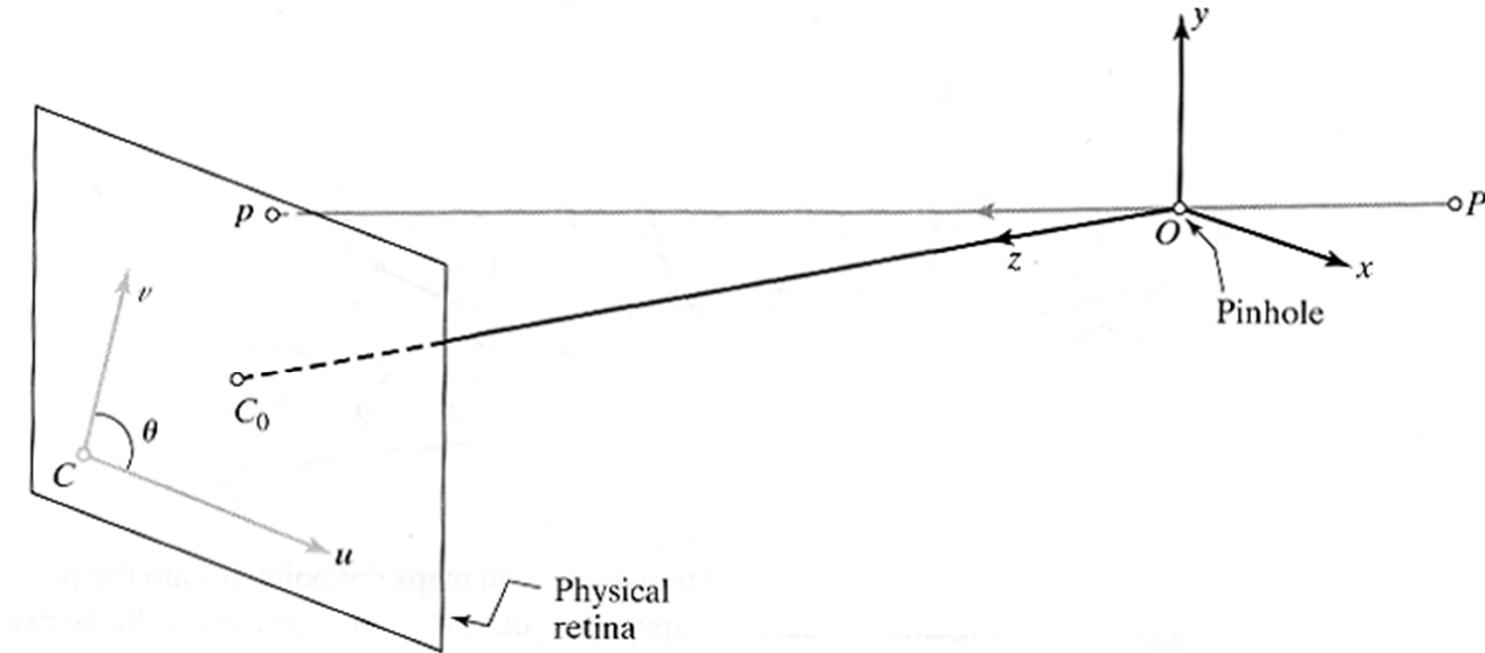


Maybe pixels are not square

$$u = \alpha \frac{x}{z}$$

$$v = \beta \frac{y}{z}$$

Intrinsic parameters

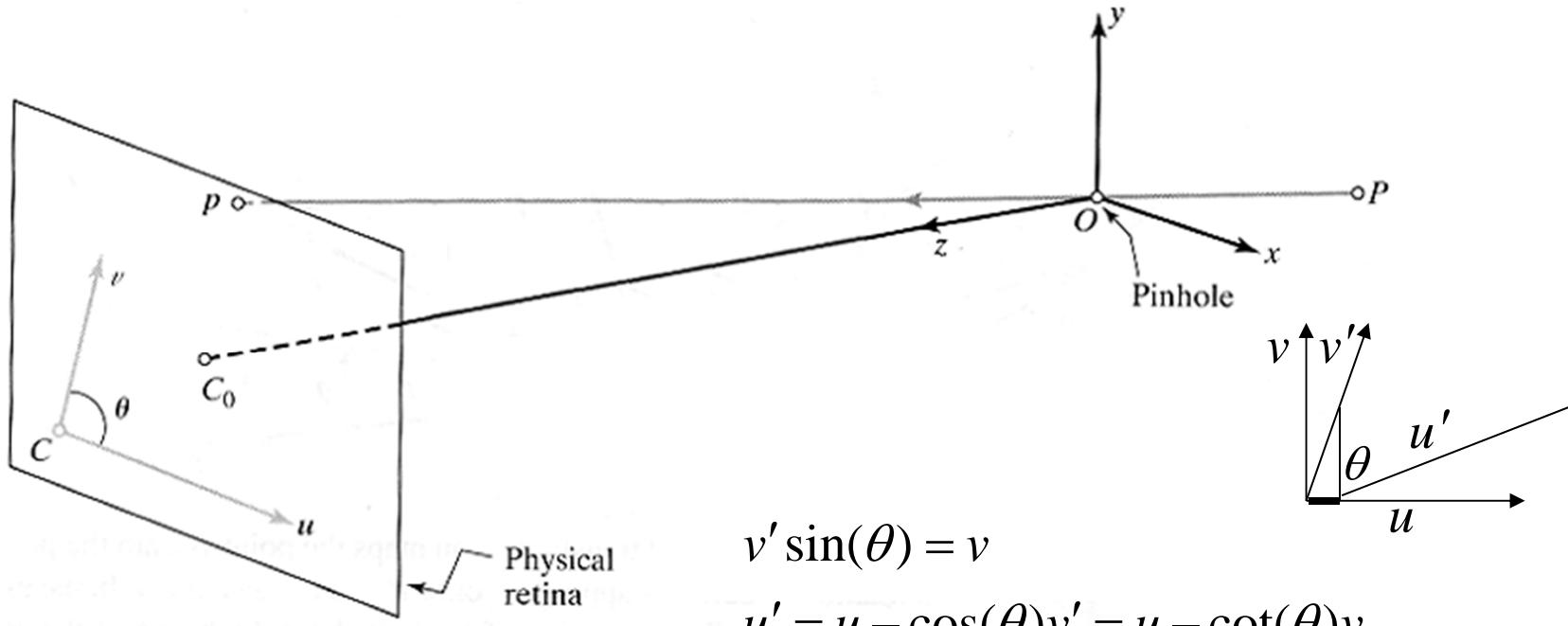


We don't know the origin of our camera pixel coordinates

$$u = \alpha \frac{x}{z} + u_0$$

$$v = \beta \frac{y}{z} + v_0$$

Intrinsic parameters

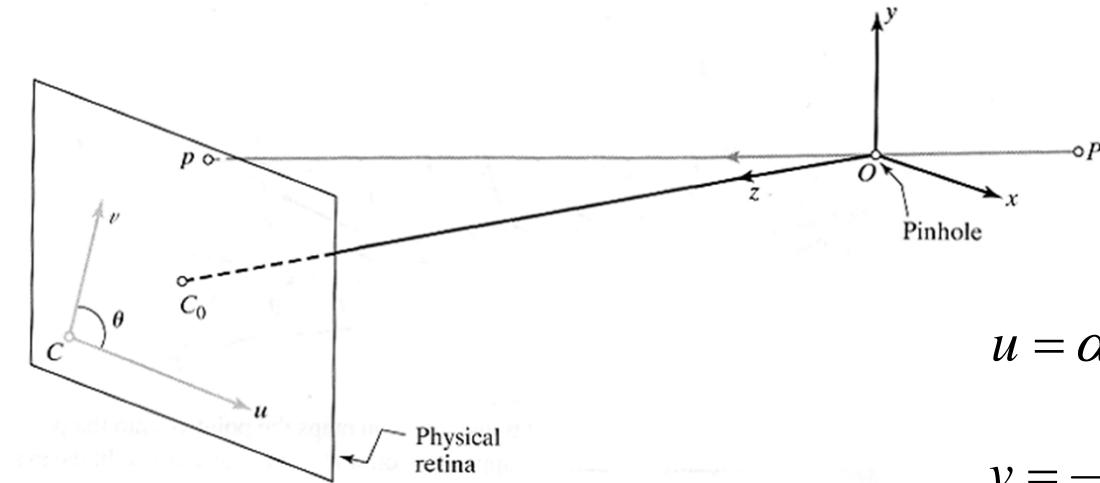


May be skew between
camera pixel axes

$$u = \alpha \frac{x}{z} - \alpha \cot(\theta) \frac{y}{z} + u_0$$

$$v = \frac{\beta}{\sin(\theta)} \frac{y}{z} + v_0$$

Intrinsic parameters, homogeneous coordinates



$$u = \alpha \frac{x}{z} - \alpha \cot(\theta) \frac{y}{z} + u_0$$

$$v = \frac{\beta}{\sin(\theta)} \frac{y}{z} + v_0$$

Using homogenous coordinates,
we can write this as:

or:

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & -\alpha \cot(\theta) & u_0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\beta}{\sin(\theta)} & v_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

In pixels \longrightarrow $\vec{p} = K \vec{C} \vec{p}$
 In camera-based coords

Extrinsic parameters: translation and rotation of camera frame

$${}^C \vec{p} = {}_W^C R {}^W \vec{p} + {}_W^C \vec{t}$$

Non-homogeneous
coordinates

$$\begin{pmatrix} {}^C \vec{p} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} - & - & - \\ - & {}_W^C R & - \\ - & - & - \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ {}_W^C \vec{t} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} {}^W \vec{p} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Homogeneous
coordinates

Combining extrinsic and intrinsic calibration parameters, in homogeneous coordinates

$$\vec{p} = \mathbf{K}^C \vec{p}^C$$

pixels →

Camera coordinates →

$$\begin{pmatrix} \vec{p}^C \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}^C_W & \vec{t}^C_W \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{p}^W \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Intrinsic →

World coordinates →

Extrinsic →

$$\vec{p} = K \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}^C_W & \vec{t}^C_W \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{M}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \vec{p}^W \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\vec{p}^W}$$

$$\vec{p} = M \vec{p}^W$$

Other ways to write the same equation

pixel coordinates

$$\vec{p} = M \cdot {}^W \vec{p}$$

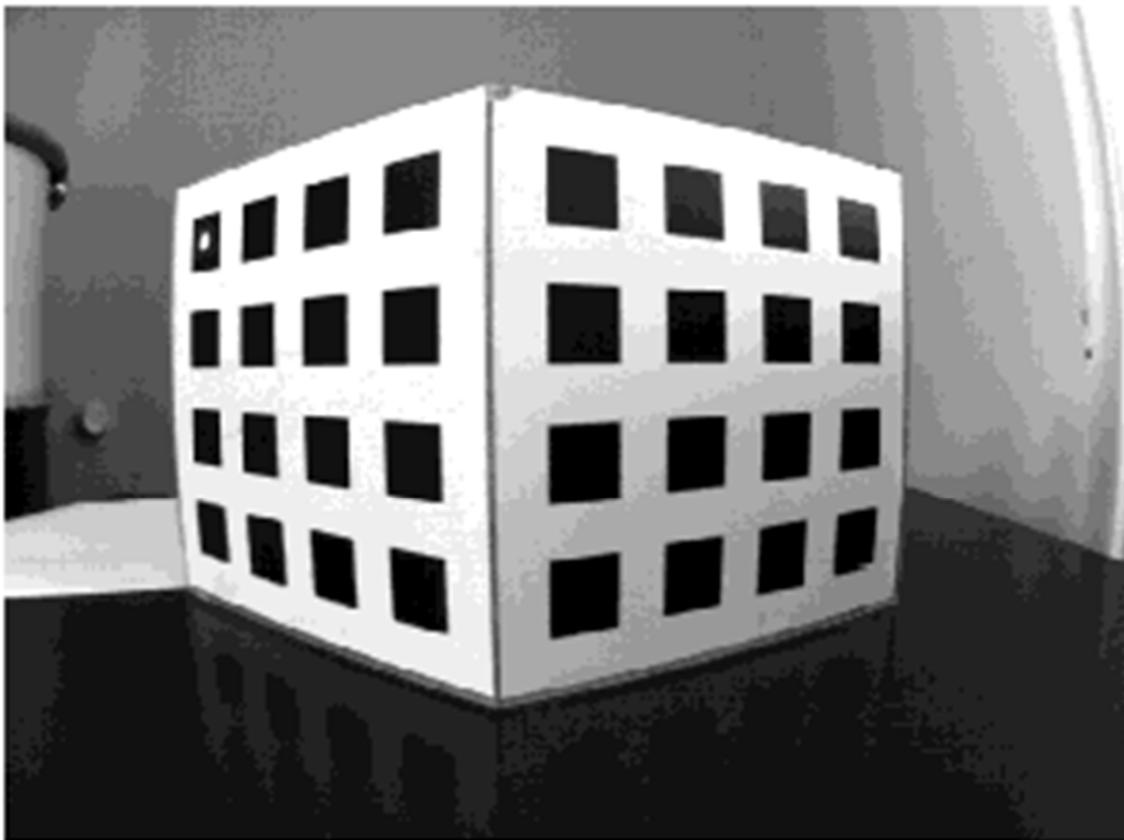
world coordinates

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & m_1^T & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & m_2^T & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & m_3^T & \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} {}^W p_x \\ {}^W p_y \\ {}^W p_z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u = \frac{m_1 \cdot \vec{P}}{m_3 \cdot \vec{P}} \\ v = \frac{m_2 \cdot \vec{P}}{m_3 \cdot \vec{P}} \end{array} \right.$$

Conversion back from homogeneous coordinates
leads to:

Calibration target



The Opti-CAL Calibration Target Image

Find the position, u_i and v_i , in pixels, of each calibration object feature point.

<http://www.kinetic.bc.ca/CompVision/opti-CAL.html>