

# **Robotic Mapping & Localization**

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# Our Simple SLAM System

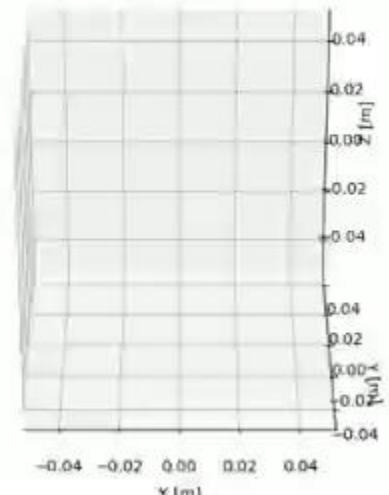
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robotic-mapping / code / visual-odometry / vo\_epipolar.cpp

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Code Blame 97 lines (88 loc) · 3.52 KB

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1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <vector>
3 #include <string>
4 #include "opencv2/opencv.hpp"
5
6 int main()
7 {
8     const char* video_file = "../data/KITTI07/image_0/%06d.png";
9     double f = 707.0912;
10    cv::Point2d c(601.8873, 183.1104);
11    bool use_5pt = true;
12    int min_inlier_num = 100;
13    double min_inlier_ratio = 0.2;
14    const char* traj_file = "vo_epipolar.xyz";
15 }
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16    // Open a video and get an initial image
17    cv::VideoCapture video;
18    if (!video.open(video_file)) return -1;
19
20    cv::Mat gray_prev;
21    video >> gray_prev;
22    if (gray_prev.empty())
23    {
24        video.release();
25        return -1;
26    }
27    if (gray_prev.channels() > 1) cv::cvtColor(gray_prev, gray_prev,
28                                              cv::COLOR_RGB2GRAY);
29
30    // Run the monocular visual odometry
31    cv::Mat K = (cv::Mat<double>(3, 3) << f, 0, c.x, 0, f, c.y, 0, 0, 1);
32    cv::Mat camera_pose = cv::Mat::eye(4, 4, CV_64F);
33    FILE* camera_traj = fopen(traj_file, "wt");
34    if (camera_traj == NULL) return -1;
```

OpenCV library



Camera parameters



SLAM system parameters

Convert RGB images to gray



Camera calibration matrix



Pose (position & orientation)  
estimates



# Our Simple SLAM System

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36 // Grab an image from the video  
37 cv::Mat img, gray;  
38 video >> img;  
39 if (img.empty()) break;  
40 if (img.channels() > 1) cv::cvtColor(img, gray, cv::COLOR_RGB2GRAY);  
41 else  
    gray = img.clone();  
42  
43 // Extract optical flow  
44 std::vector<cv::Point2f> pts_prev, pts;  
45 cv::goodFeaturesToTrack(gray_prev, pts_prev, 2000, 0.01, 10);  
46 std::vector<uchar> status;  
47 cv::Mat err;  
48 cv::calcOpticalFlowPyrLK(gray_prev, gray, pts_prev, pts, status, err);  
49 gray_prev = gray;  
50  
51 // Calculate relative pose  
52 cv::Mat E, inlier_mask;  
53 if (use_5pt)  
{  
    E = cv::findEssentialMat(pts_prev, pts, f, c, cv::RANSAC, 0.999, 1,  
    inlier_mask);  
}  
else  
{  
    cv::Mat F = cv::findFundamentalMat(pts_prev, pts, cv::FM_RANSAC, 1, 0.  
    99, inlier_mask);  
    E = K.t() * F * K;  
}  
54  
55 cv::Mat R, t;  
56 int inlier_num = cv::recoverPose(E, pts_prev, pts, R, t, f, c, inlier_mask);  
57 double inlier_ratio = static_cast<double>(inlier_num) / static_cast<double>  
(pts.size());  
58  
59 // Accumulate relative pose if result is reliable  
60 cv::Vec3b info_color(0, 255, 0);  
61 if ((inlier_num > min_inlier_num) && (inlier_ratio > min_inlier_ratio))  
{  
    cv::Mat T = cv::Mat::eye(4, 4, R.type());  
    T(cv::Rect(0, 0, 3, 3)) = R * 1.0;  
    T.col(3).rowRange(0, 3) = t * 1.0;  
    camera_pose = camera_pose * T.inv();  
    info_color = cv::Vec3b(0, 0, 255);  
}  
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75 }
```

Iterate over images



Feature detection & tracking using optical flow

Estimate camera pose (in the form of essential matrix) from consecutive images

RANSAC outlier rejection

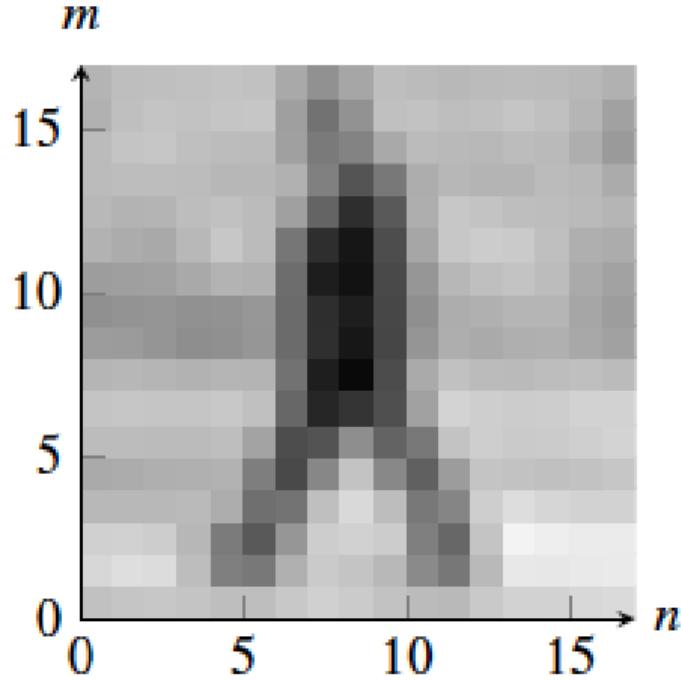
Extract camera pose from essential matrix

Camera pose (and trajectory) over time



# Image as a 2D discrete signal

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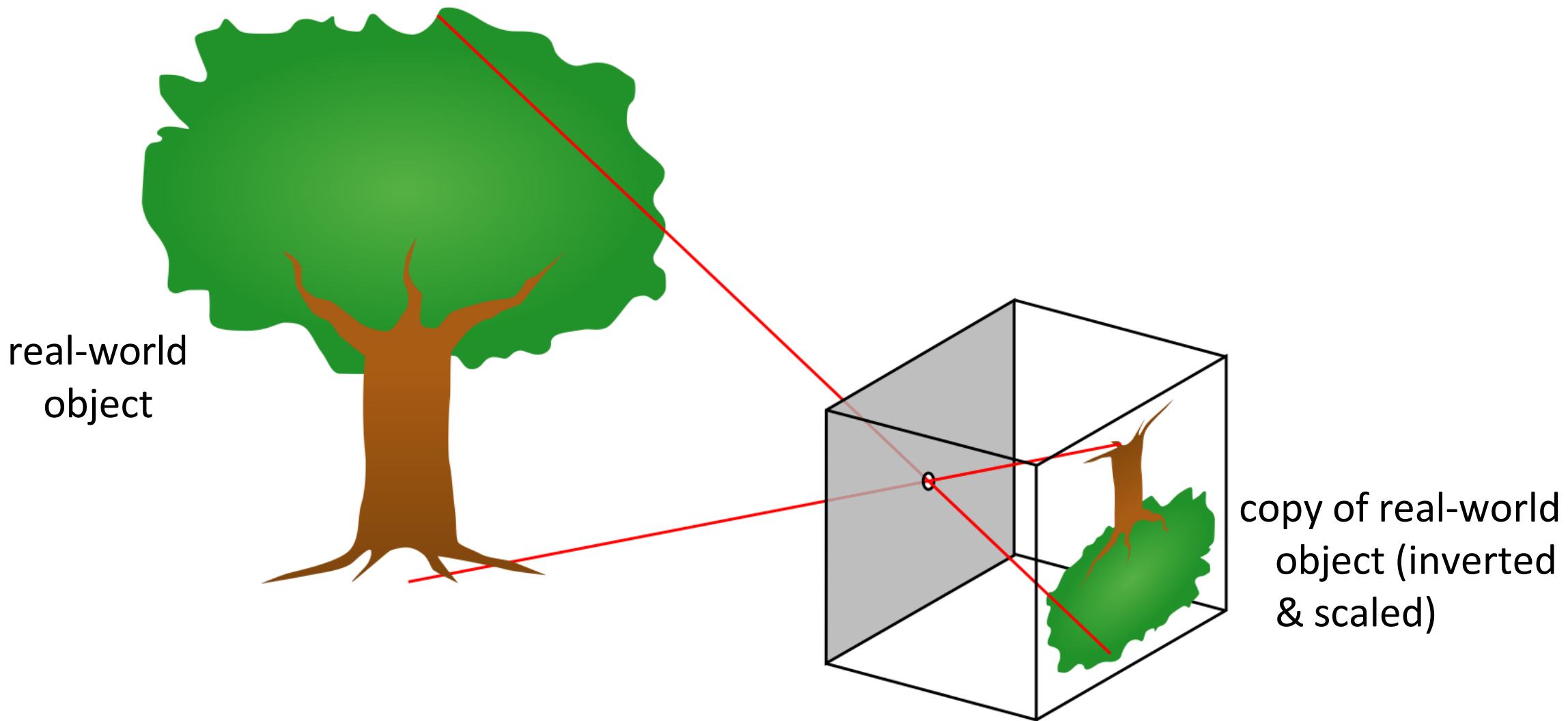
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A tiny person of 18 x 18 pixels

# Pinhole imaging

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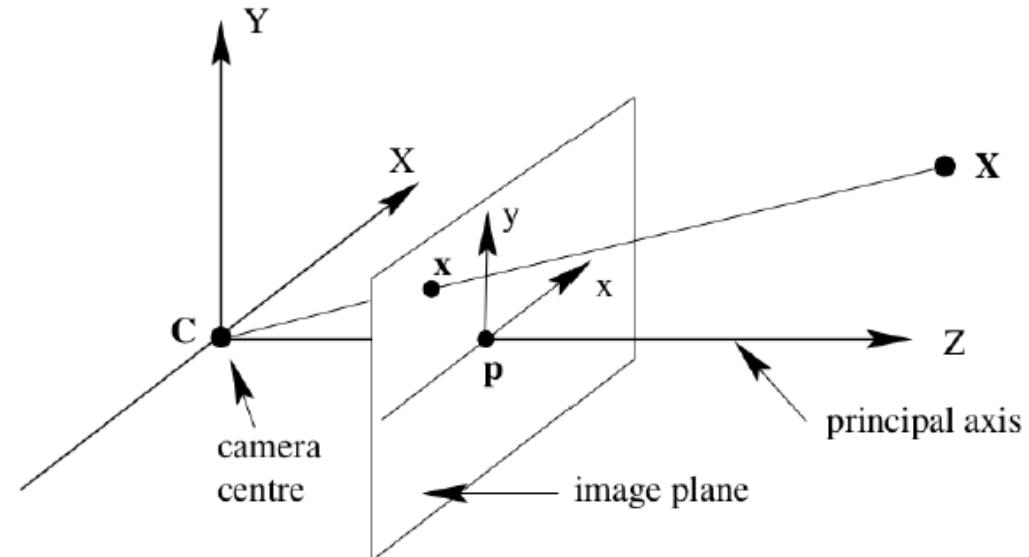
# The camera as a coordinate transformation

**REVIEW**

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}$$

homogeneous coordinates

2D image point      camera matrix      3D world point



# The camera as a coordinate transformation



$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 & p_2 & p_3 & p_4 \\ p_5 & p_6 & p_7 & p_8 \\ p_9 & p_{10} & p_{11} & p_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

homogeneous  
image coordinates  
 $3 \times 1$

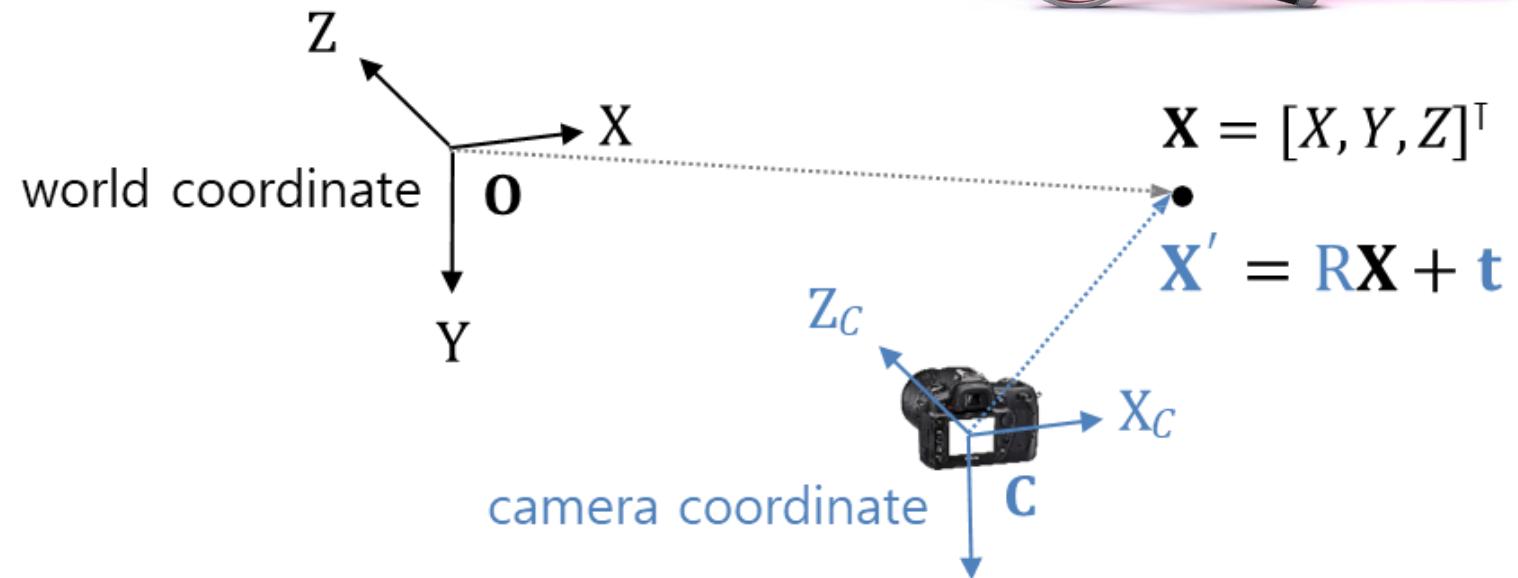
camera  
matrix  
 $3 \times 4$

homogeneous  
world coordinates  
 $4 \times 1$

# General pinhole camera matrix

**REVIEW**

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R}|\mathbf{t}]$$



$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & p_x \\ 0 & f & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} r_1 & r_2 & r_3 & t_1 \\ r_4 & r_5 & r_6 & t_2 \\ r_7 & r_8 & r_9 & t_3 \end{array} \right]$$

intrinsic  
parameters                  extrinsic  
parameters

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 & r_2 & r_3 \\ r_4 & r_5 & r_6 \\ r_7 & r_8 & r_9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} t_1 \\ t_2 \\ t_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

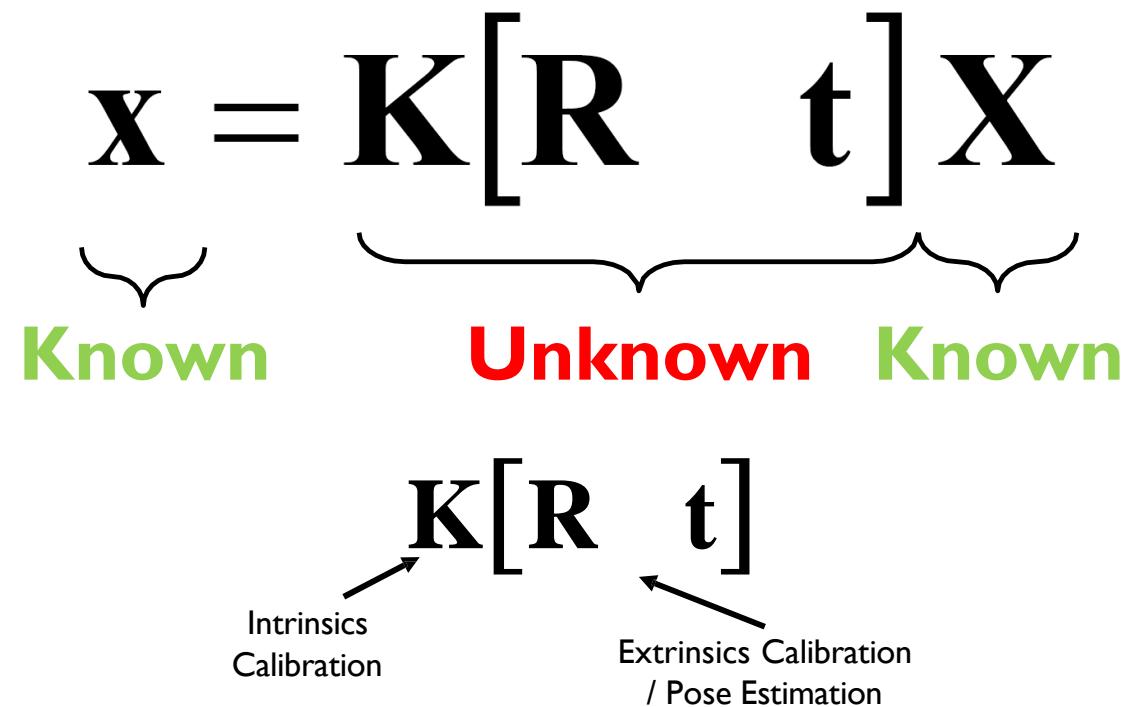
3D rotation                  3D translation

# Simulate a Camera

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{t}] \mathbf{X}$$

Unknown      Known      Known

# Camera Calibration

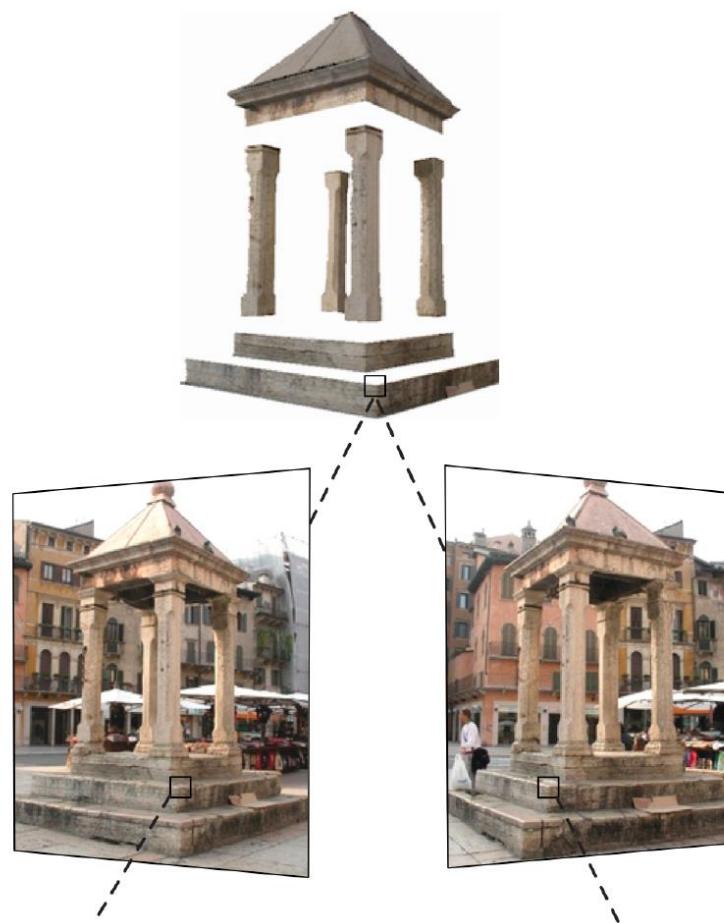


# 3D Reconstruction

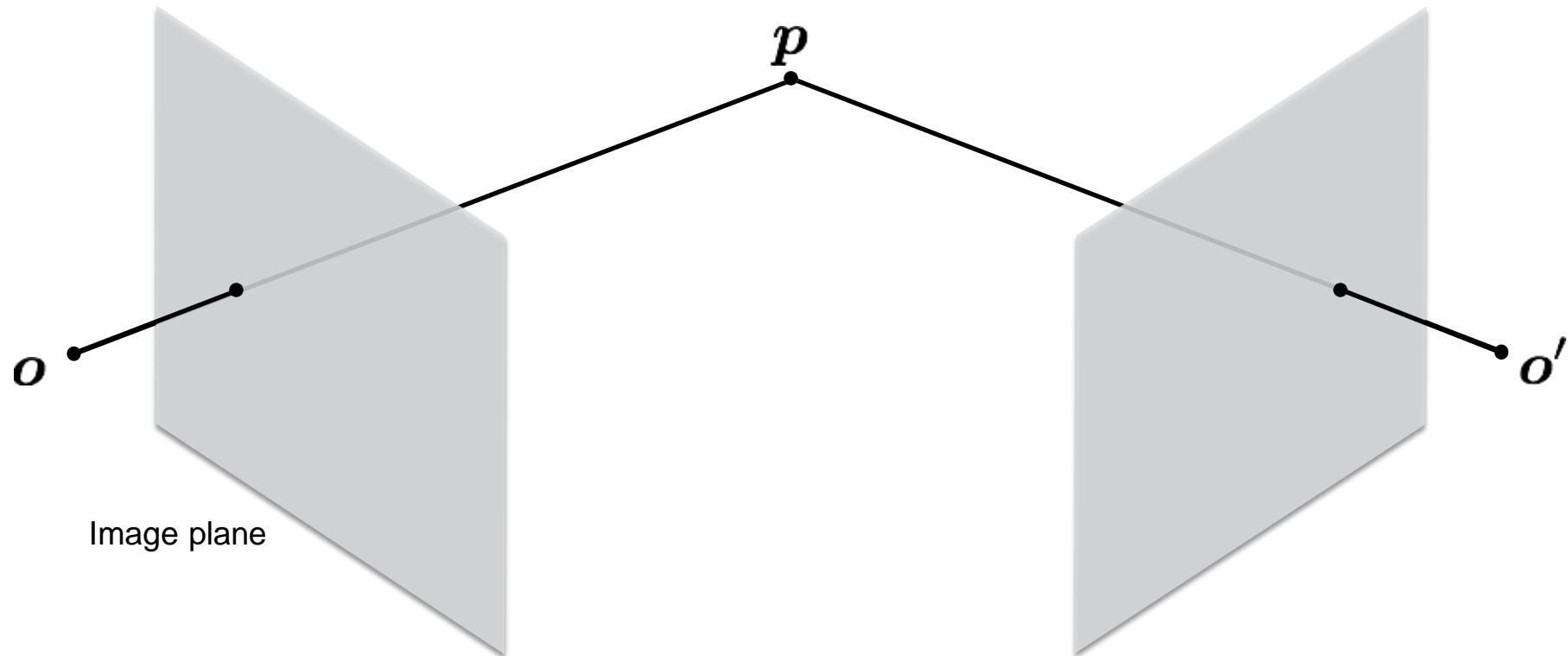
$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{t}] \mathbf{X}$$

Known      Known      Unknown

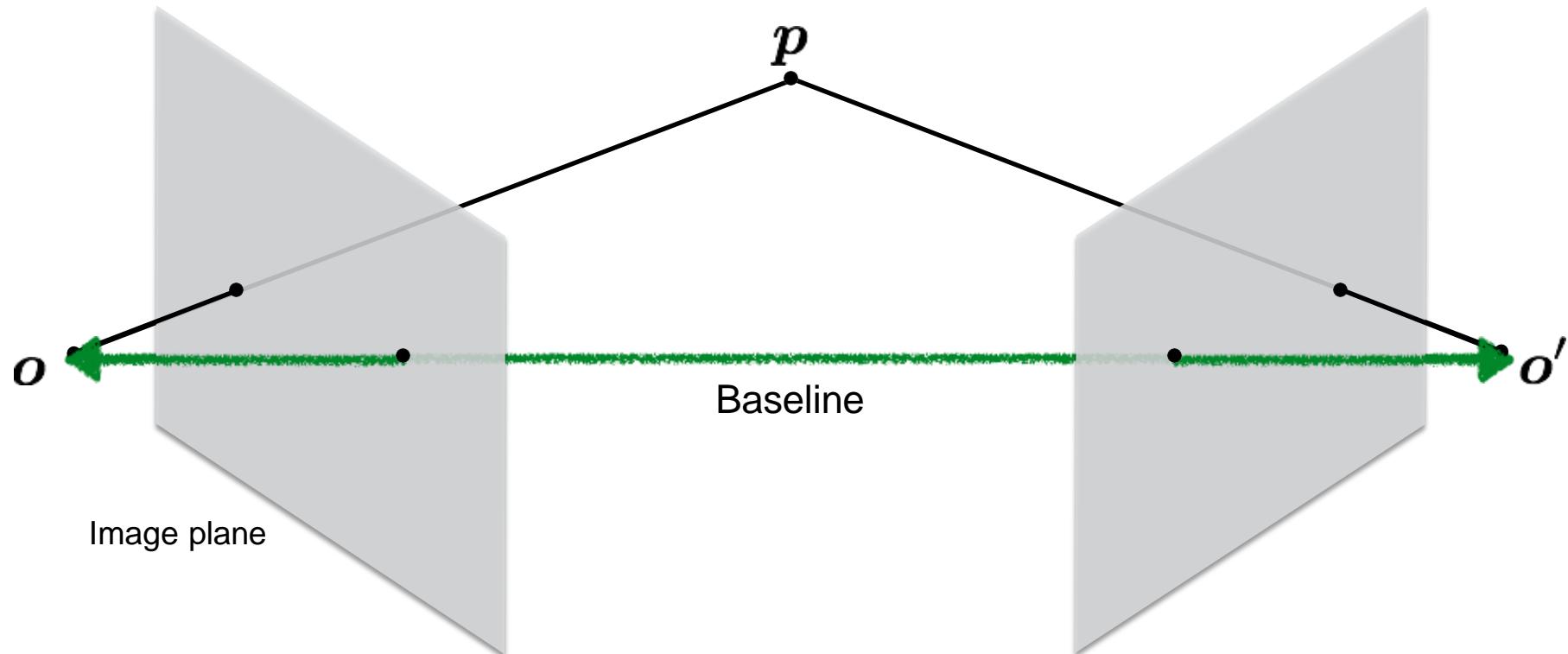
# Two-View Geometry



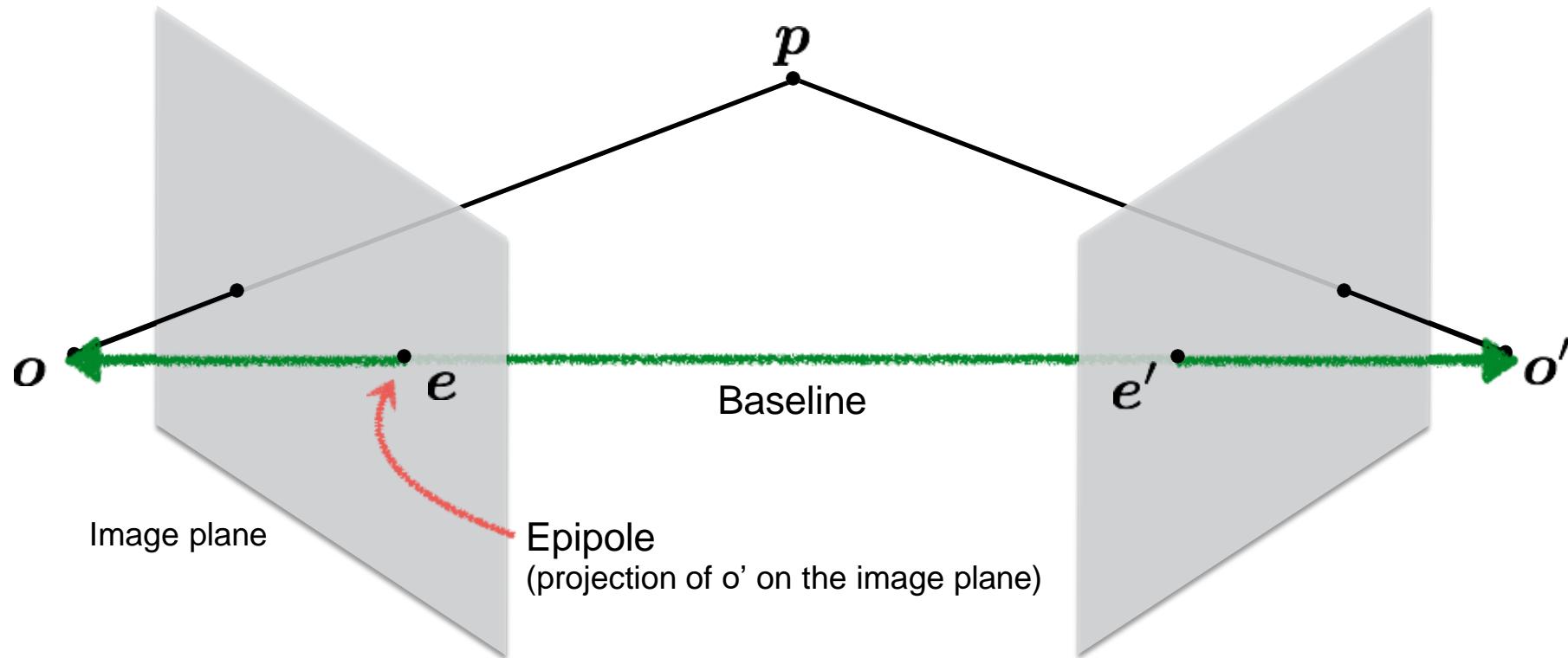
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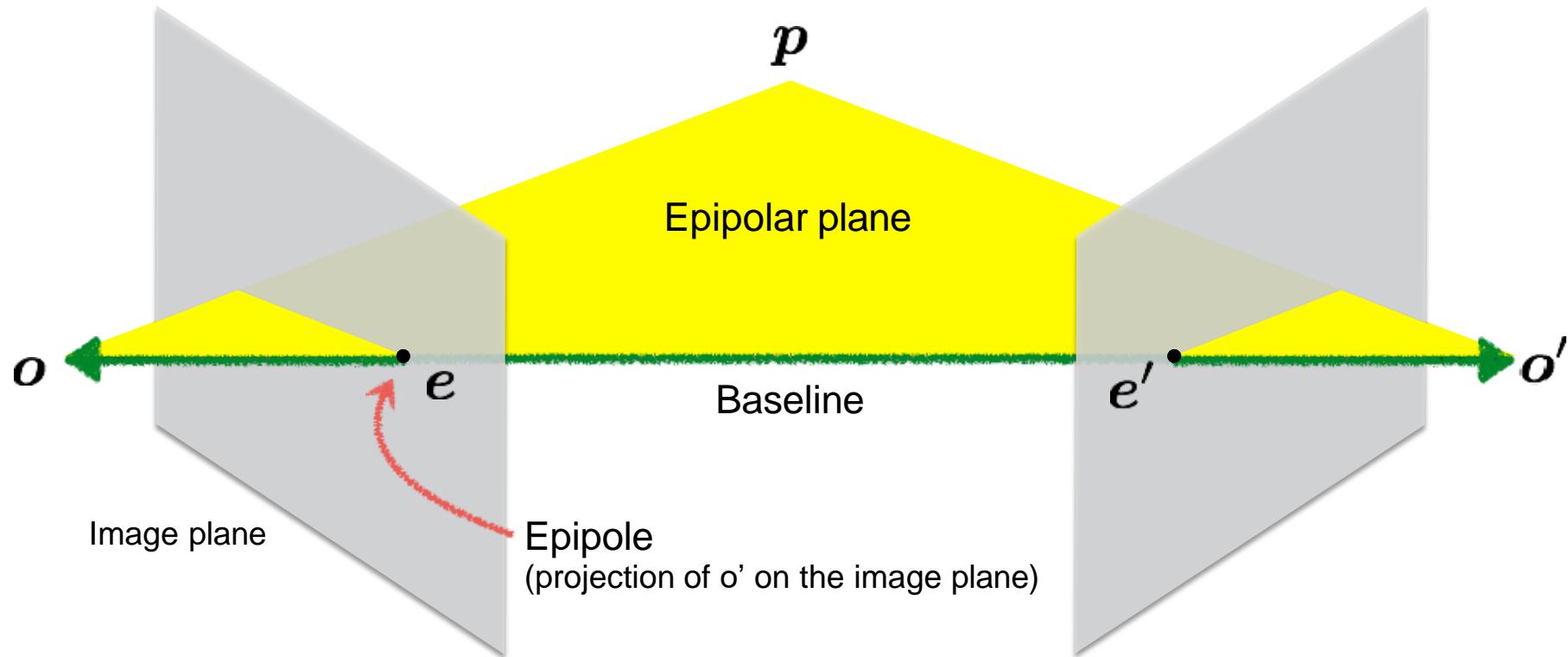
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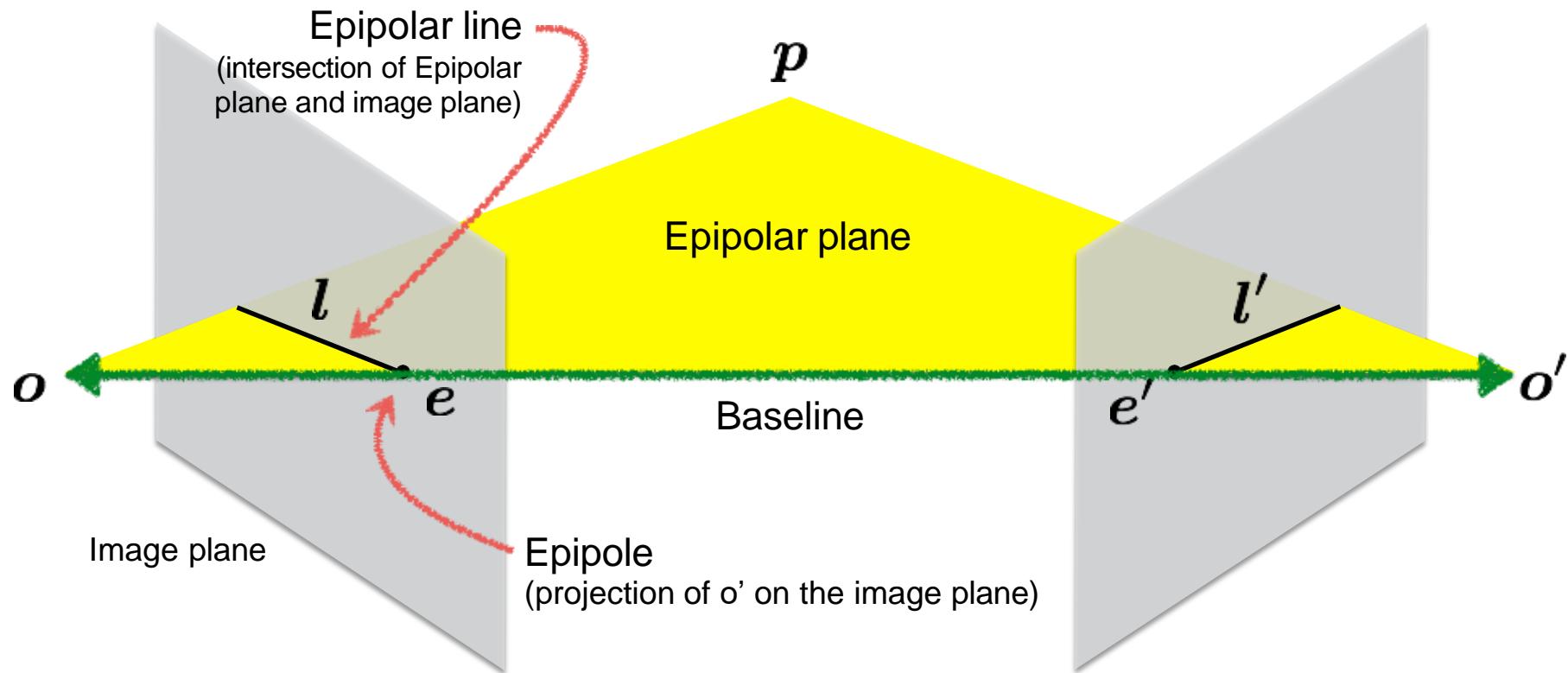
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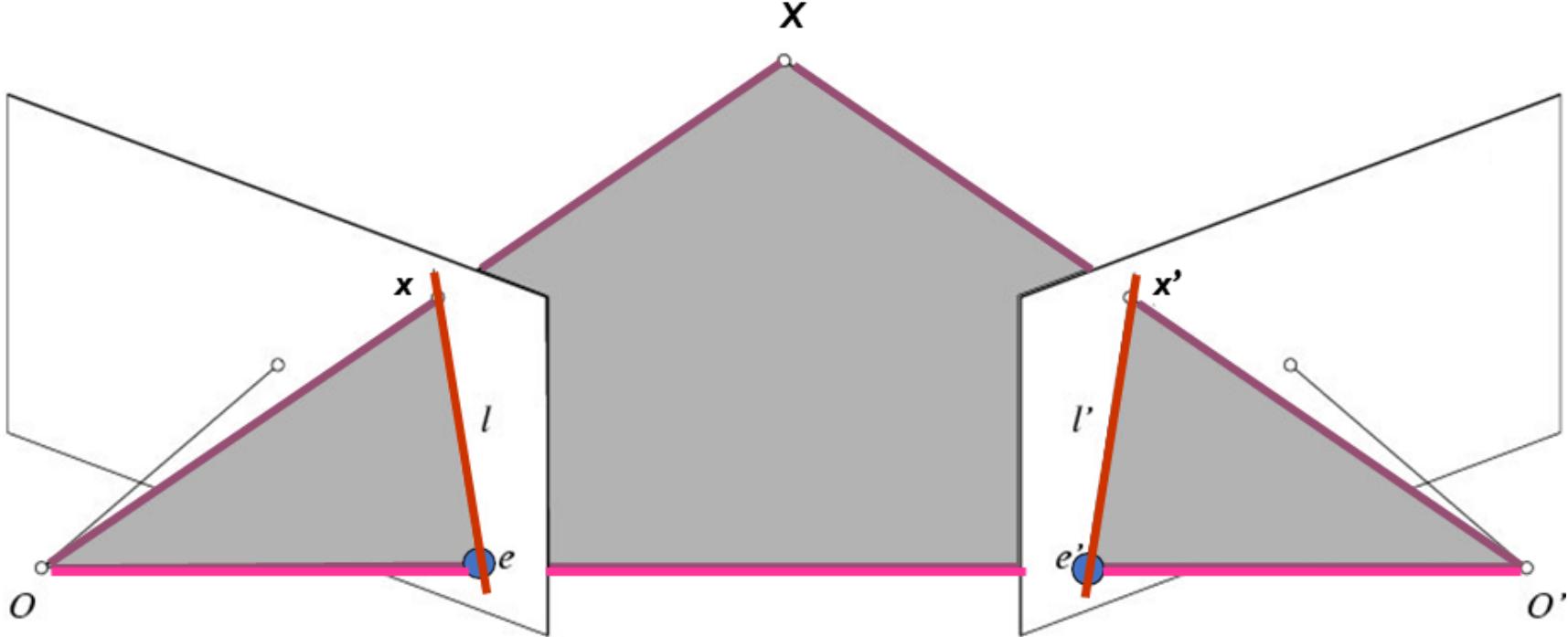
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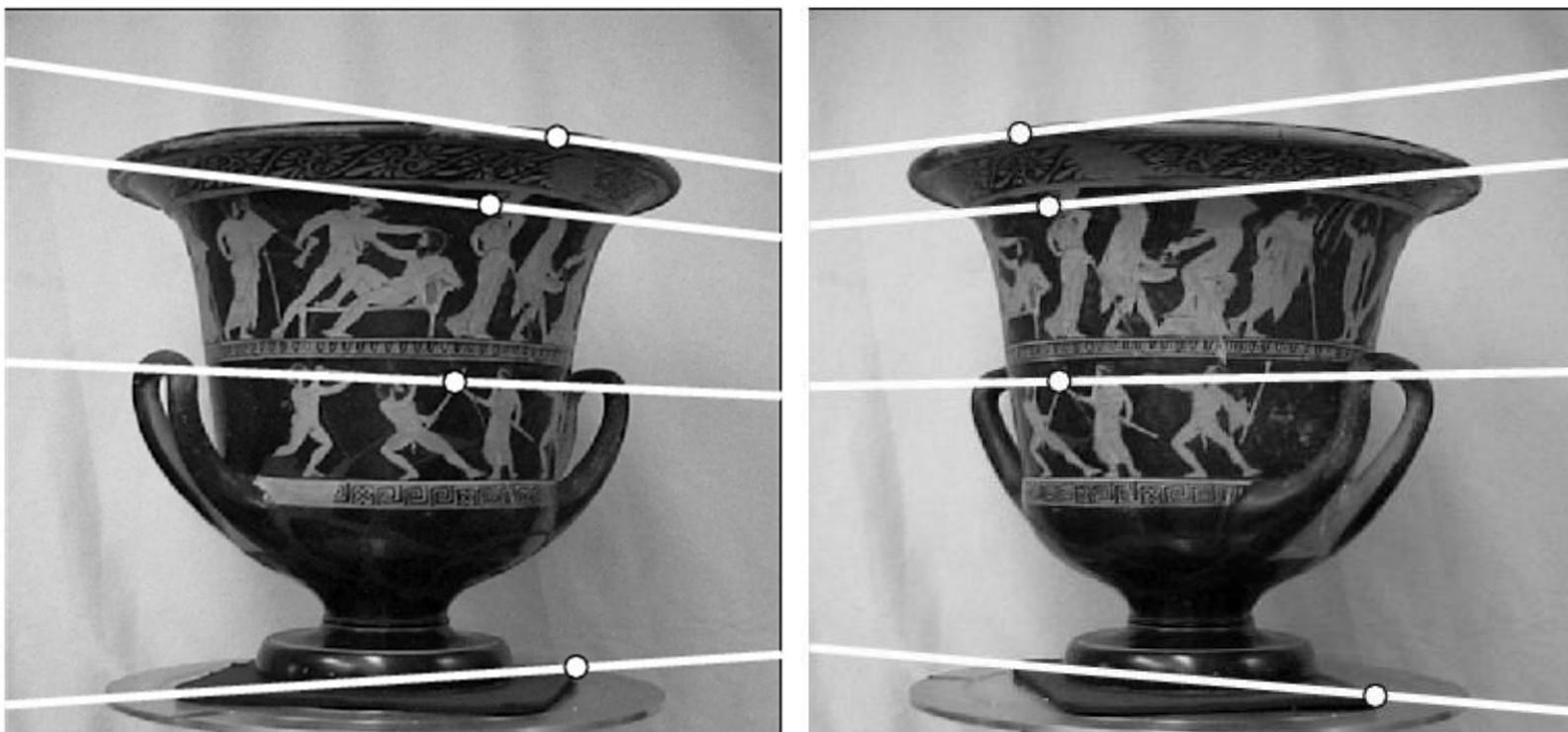
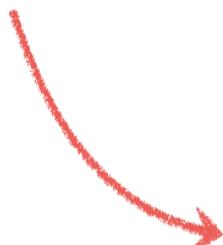
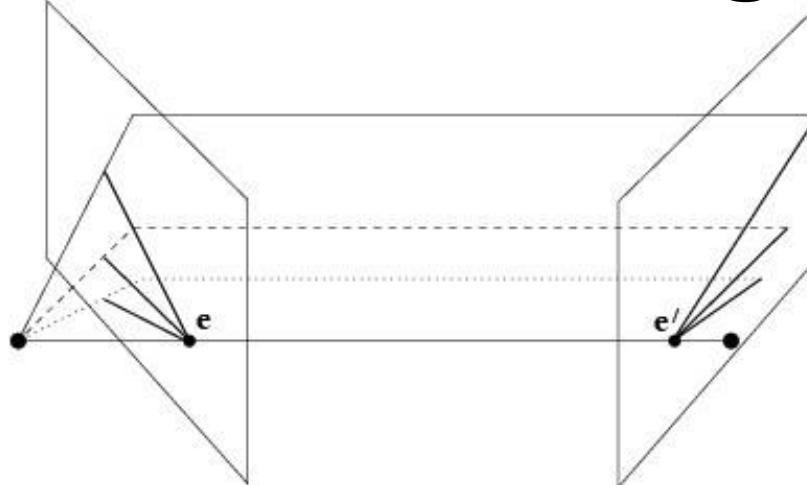
# Notation



- **Baseline:** Line connecting the two camera centers
- **Epipoles:**
  - Intersections of baseline with image planes, or
  - Projections of the other camera center
- **Epipolar Plane:** Plane containing baseline
- **Epipolar Lines:** Intersections of epipolar plane with image planes (always come in corresponding pairs)

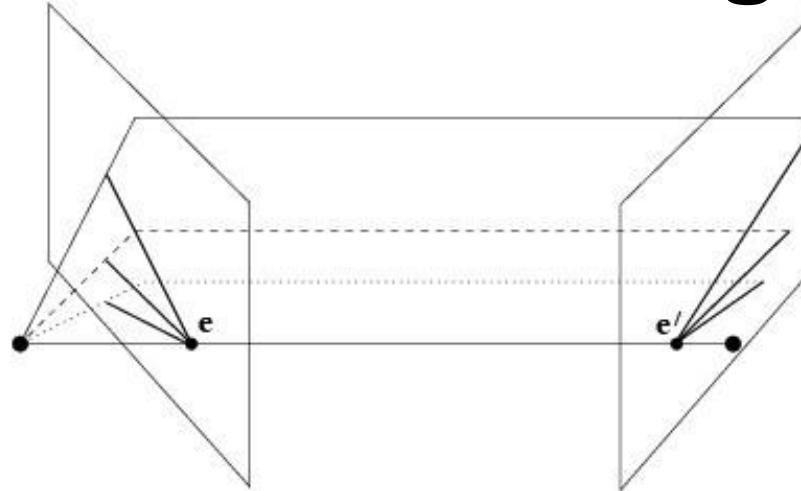
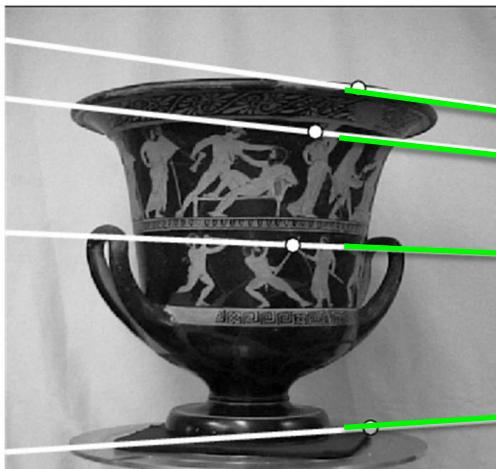
# Example: Inward Facing Cameras

Where is the epipole  
in this image?



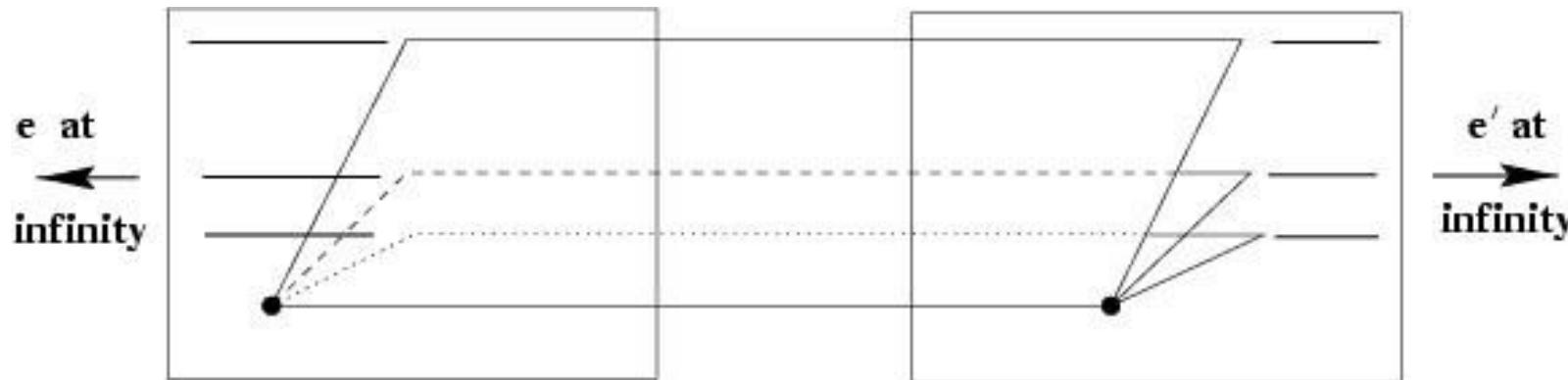
# Example: Inward Facing Cameras

Where is the epipole in this image?



here!

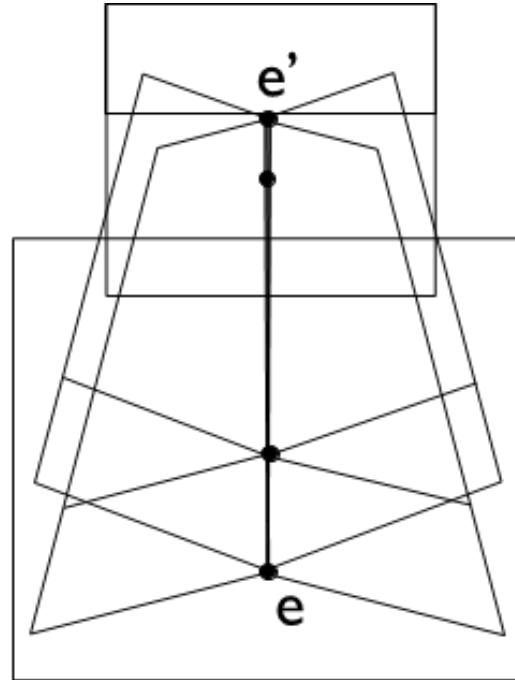
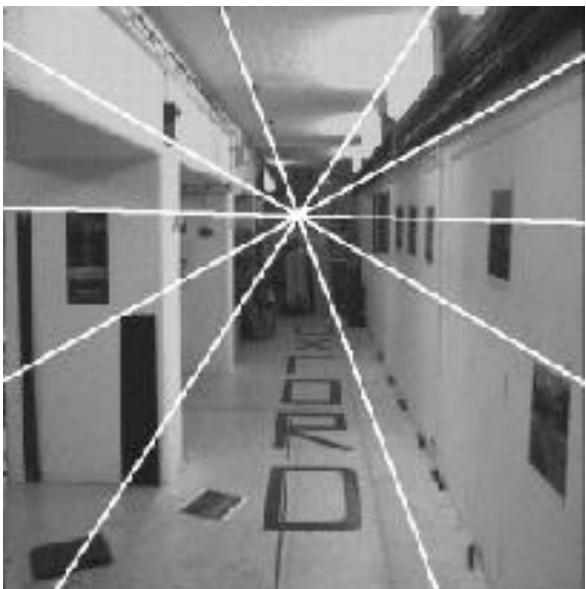
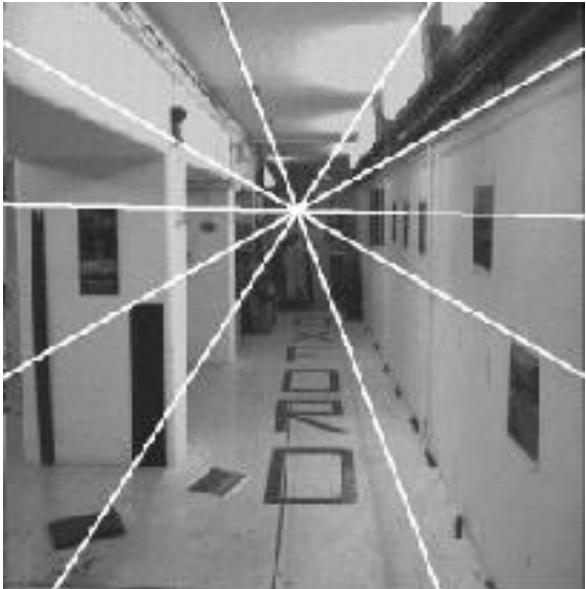
# Example: Motion Parallel to Image Plane



Where is the epipole?

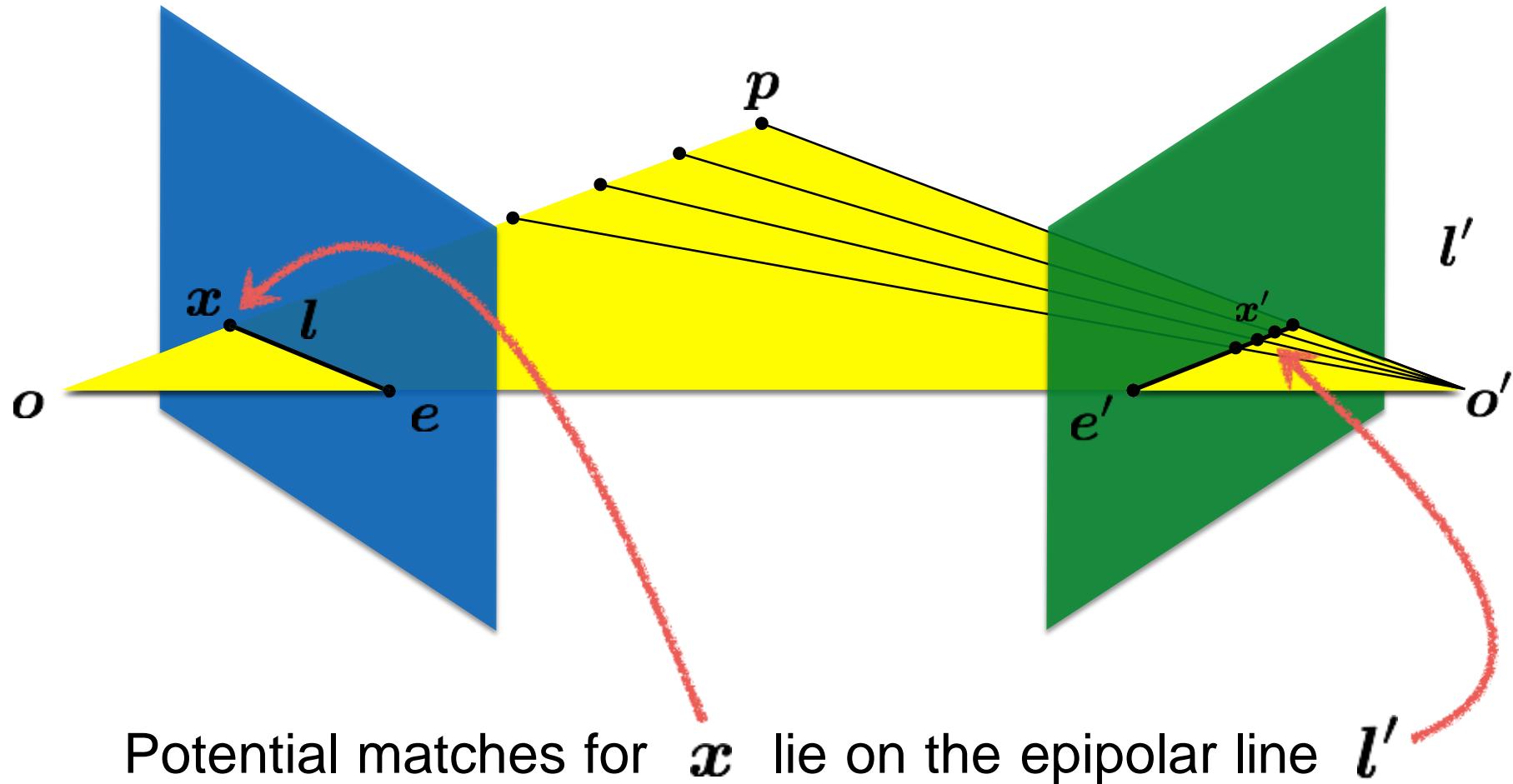


# Example: Forward Motion

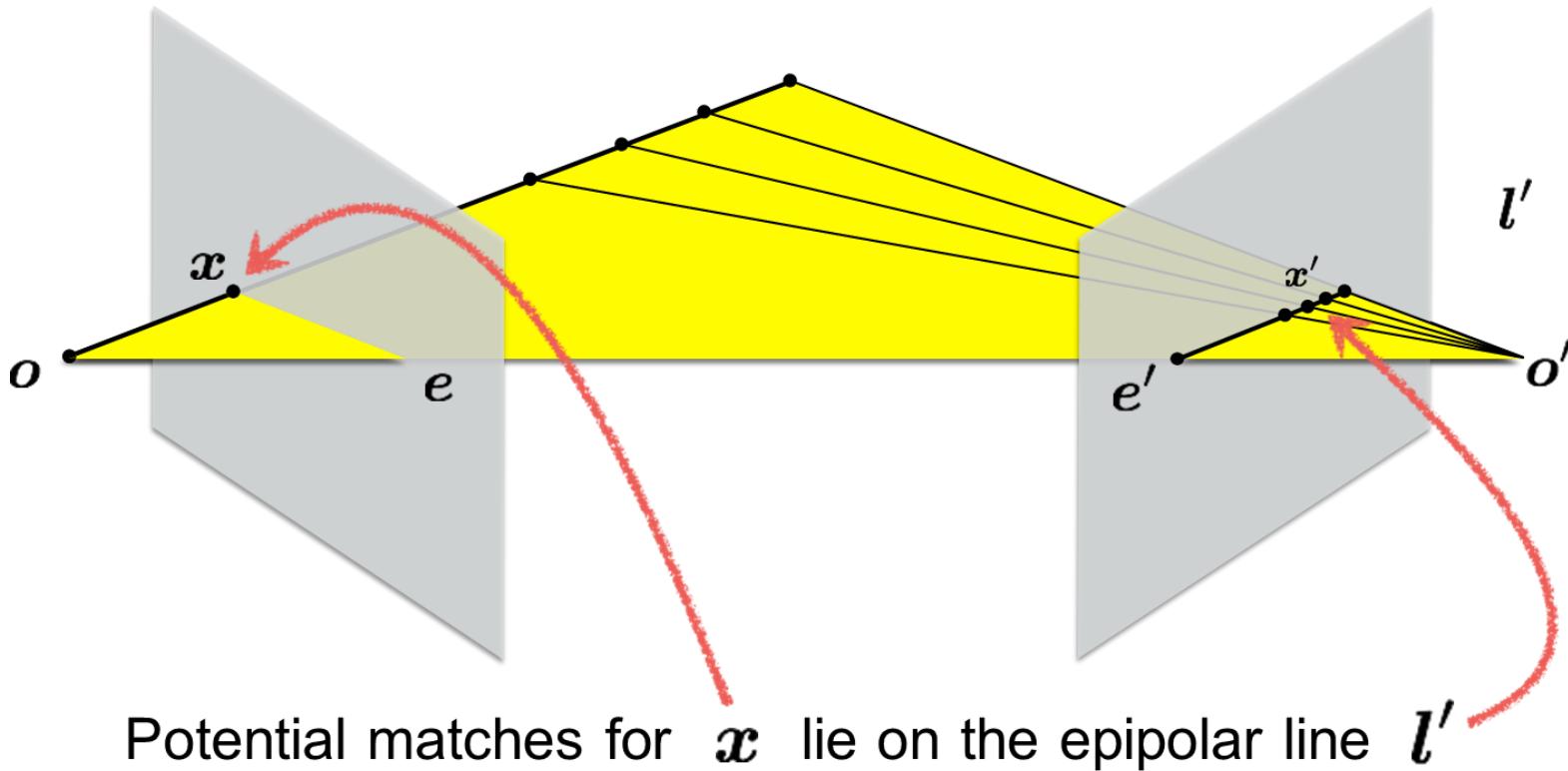


Epipole has same coordinates in both images. Points move along lines radiating from  $e$ : “Focus of expansion”

# Epipolar Constraint



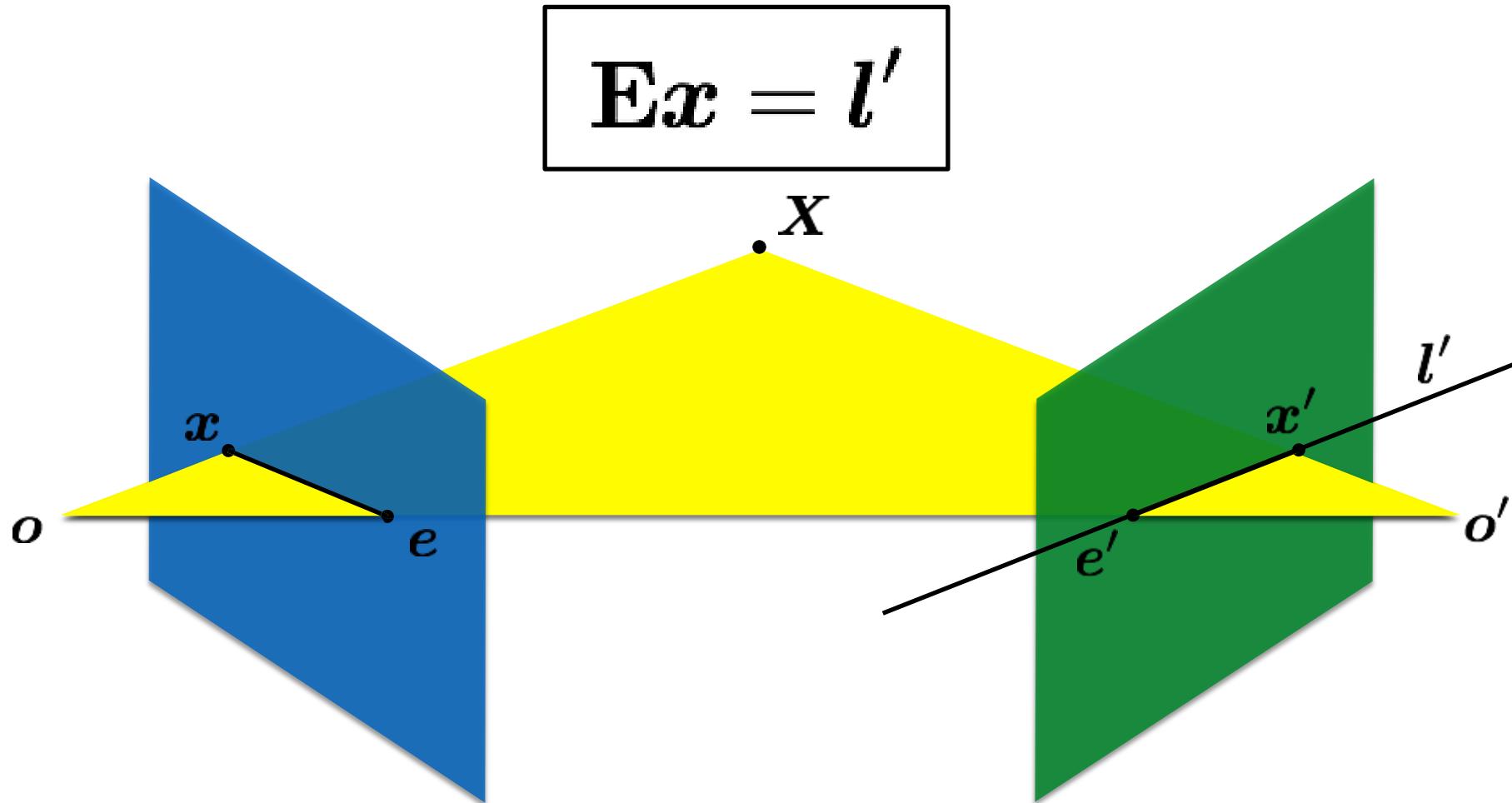
# What is this useful for?



- If I know  $x$ , and have calibrated cameras (known intrinsics  $K, K'$  and extrinsic matrix), I can restrict  $x'$  to be along  $l'$
- If we have enough  $x, x'$  correspondences,

# Essential Matrix

Given a point in one image, multiplying by the **essential matrix** will tell us the **epipolar line** in the second view.



# Motivation

The Essential Matrix is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix that encodes **epipolar geometry**

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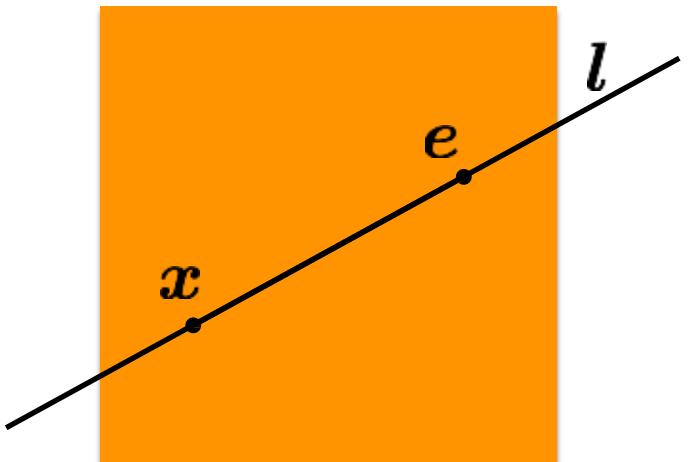
We can estimate relative position & orientation between the cameras (and the 3D position of corresponding image points) using **essential matrix**

# Epipolar Line

$$ax + by + c = 0$$

in vector form

$$\mathbf{l} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$$

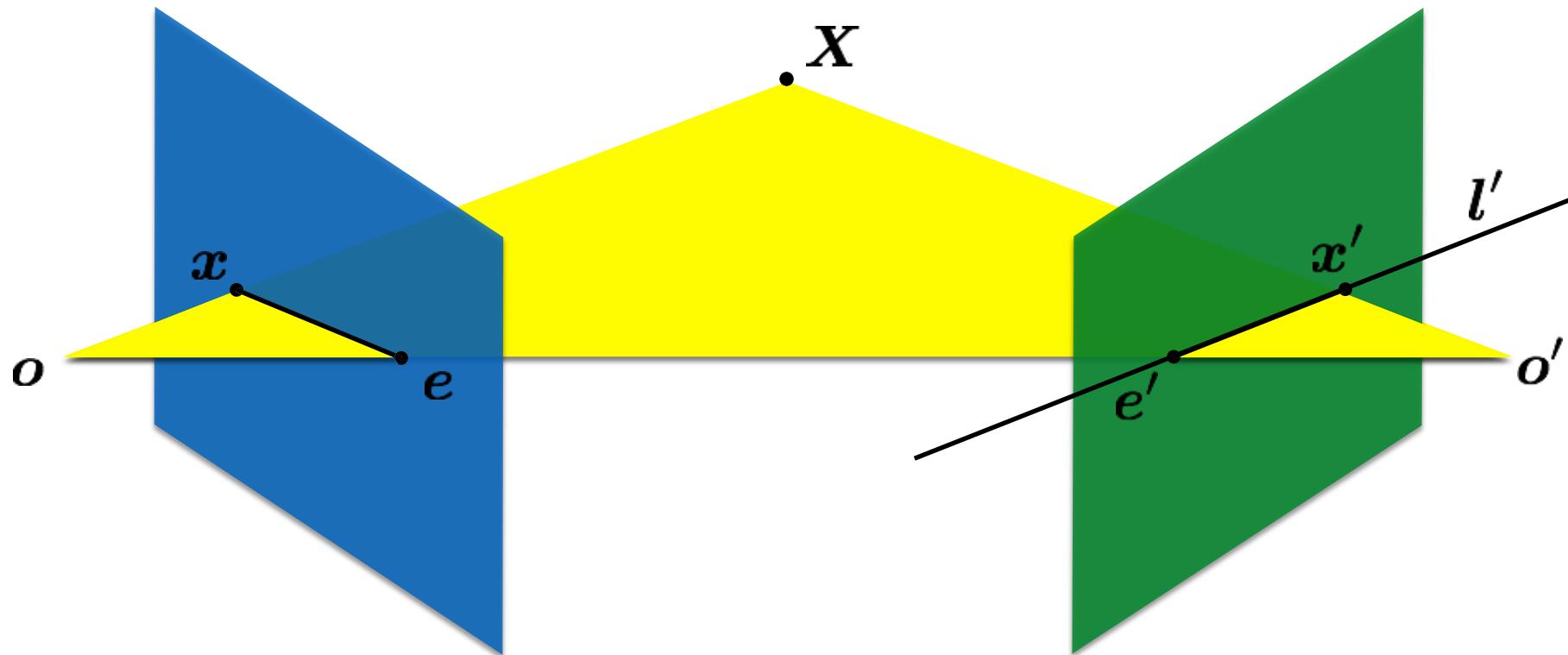


If the point  $\mathbf{x}$  is on the epipolar line  $\mathbf{l}$  then

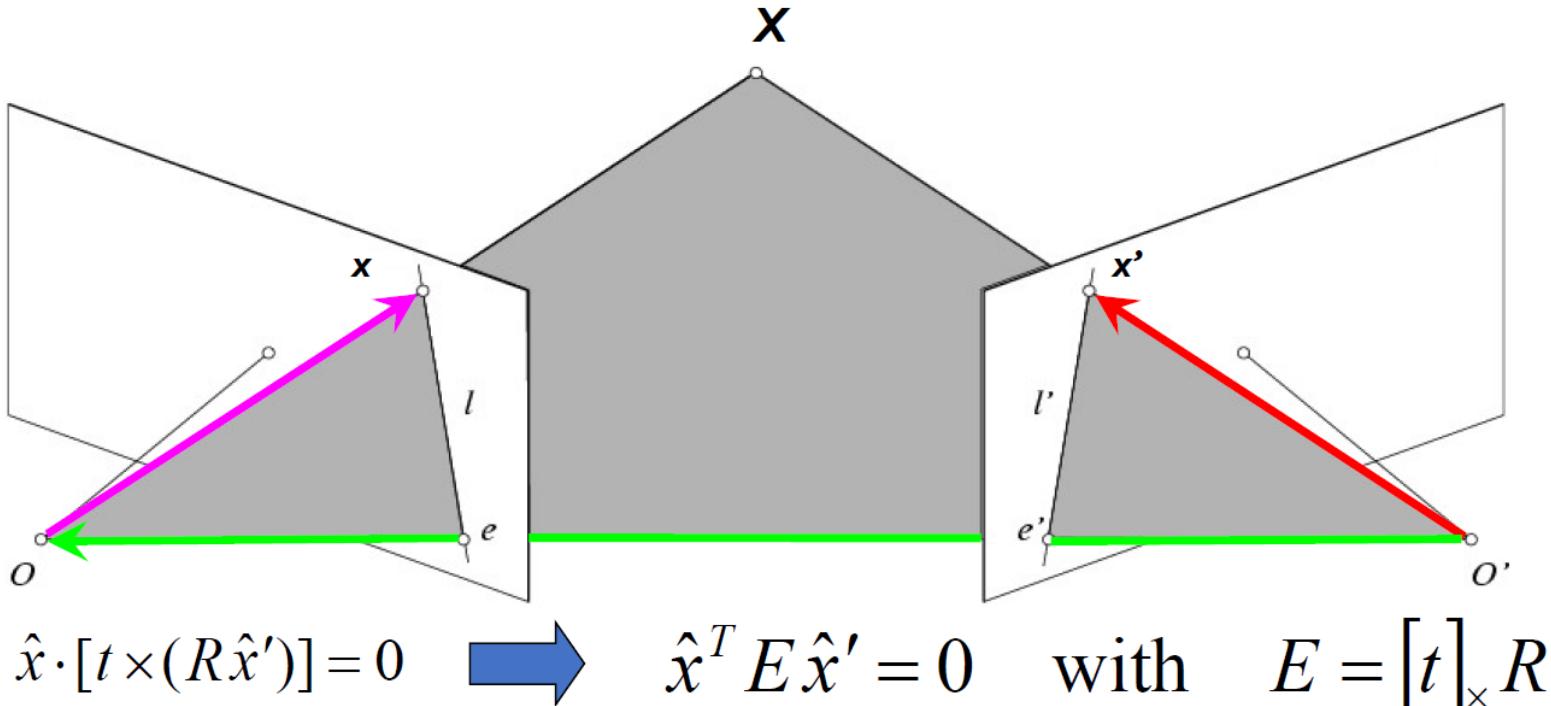
$$\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{l} = 0$$

So if  $\mathbf{x}'^\top \mathbf{l}' = 0$  and  $\mathbf{E}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{l}'$  then

$$\mathbf{x}'^\top \mathbf{E}\mathbf{x} = 0$$



# Essential Matrix

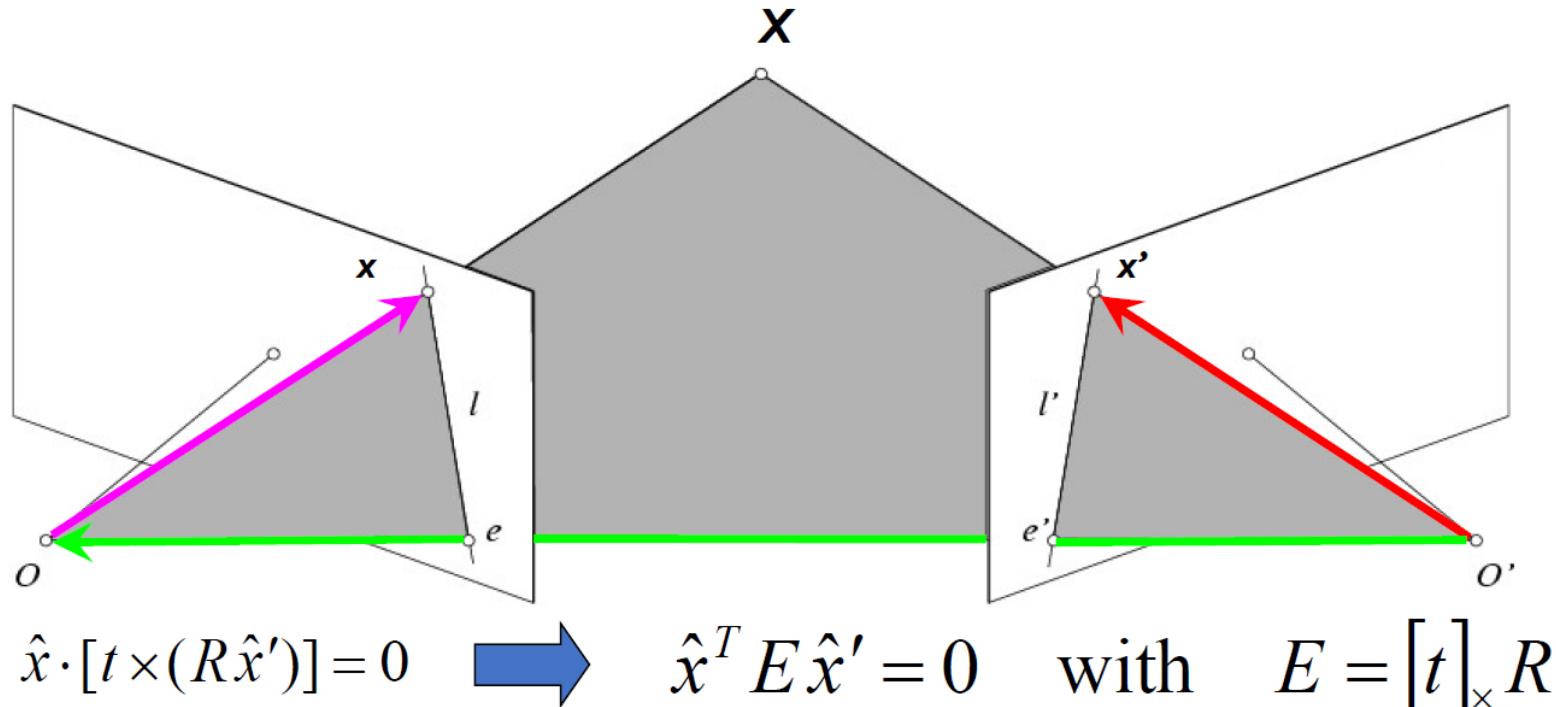


**Essential Matrix**  
(Longuet-Higgins, 1981)

Note:  $[t]_x$  is matrix representation of cross product

- $E$  is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix which relates corresponding pairs of (homogeneous) image points across pairs of images (for calibrated cameras)
- Is used to estimate relative position/orientation

# Additional Slide: Properties of the Essential matrix



- $E x'$  is the epipolar line associated with  $x'$  ( $l = E x'$ )
- $E^T x$  is the epipolar line associated with  $x$  ( $l' = E^T x$ )
- $E e' = 0$  and  $E^T e = 0$
- $E$  is singular (rank two)
- $E$  has five degrees of freedom: (3 for  $R$ , 2 for  $t$  because it's up to a scale)

# Essential Matrix

Essential matrix is related to camera pose as

$$E = [t_x] R$$

where  $(R, t)$  is the relative rotation & translation between camera frames, and the skew-symmetric matrix  $[t_x]$  is defined using the elements of translation vector  $t = [t_x, t_y, t_z]^T$  as

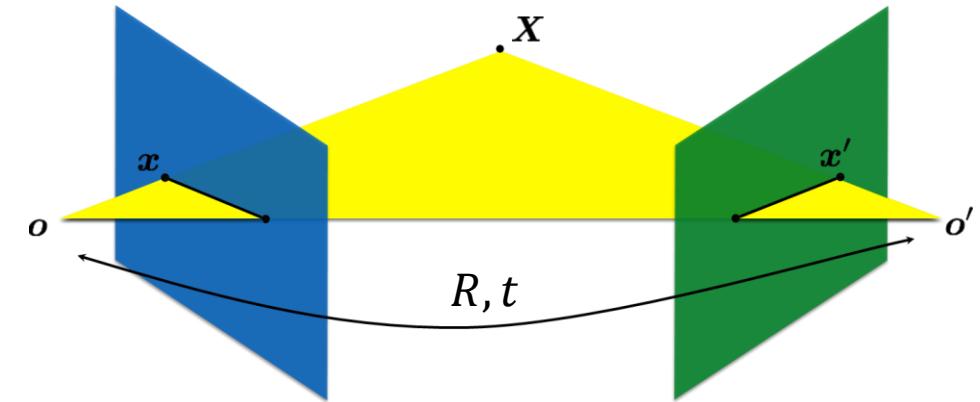
$$[t_x] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -t_z & t_y \\ t_z & 0 & -t_x \\ -t_y & t_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Specifically, given the pose of camera 2 in camera 1 denoted by  $(^1R_2, ^1t_2)$ , the essential matrix constructed can be denoted as  ${}^1E_2$ , and the epipolar constraint is

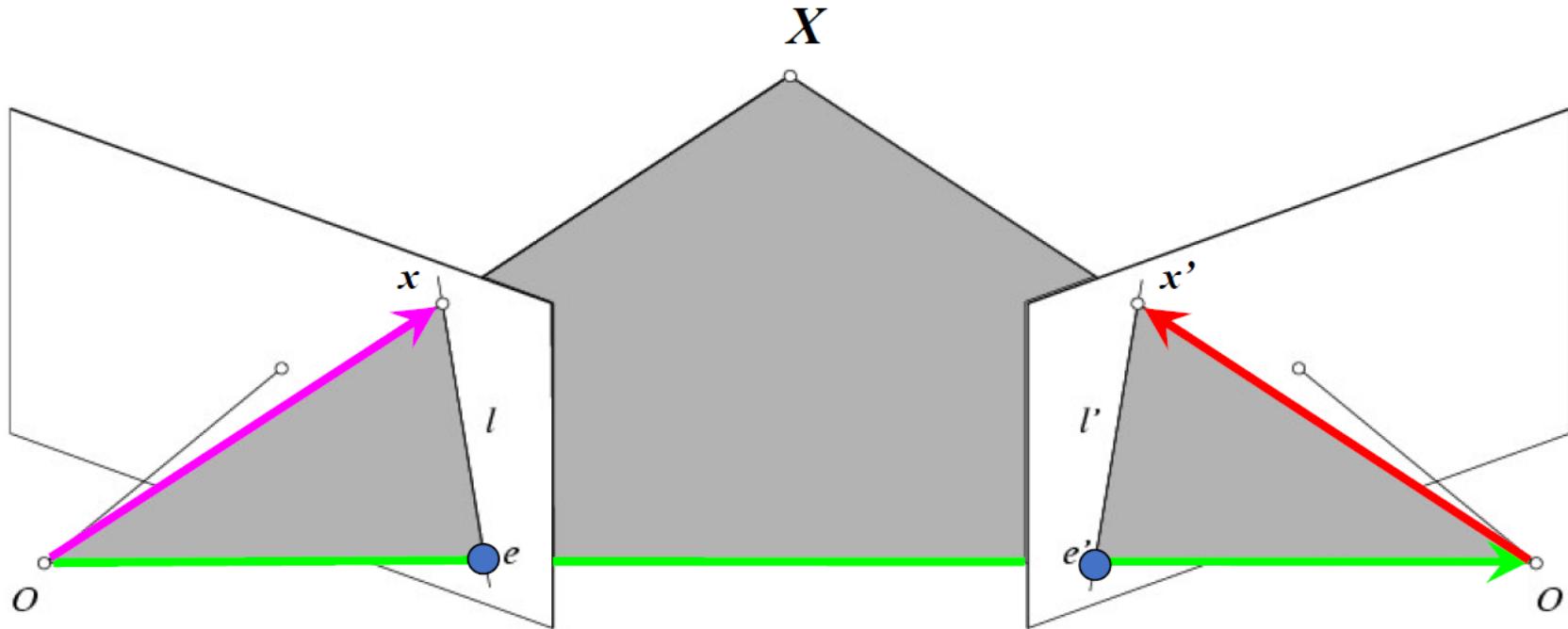
$${}^1x^T {}^1E_2 {}^2x = 0$$

where  ${}^1x$  and  ${}^2x$  are **Cartesian** coordinates (*not* pixel coordinates) of image points in camera frames 1 and 2, respectively.

- On the other hand, using  $(^2R_1, ^2t_1)$ , we get  ${}^2E_1$  and have  ${}^2x^T {}^2E_1 {}^1x = 0$ .
- It holds that  ${}^1E_2 = {}^2E_1^T$



# Epipolar Constraint: Uncalibrated Setting



If we don't know intrinsics  $K$  and  $K'$ , then we can write the epipolar constraint in terms of unknown normalized coordinates:

$$\hat{x}^T E \hat{x}' = 0$$

$$x = K\hat{x}, \quad x' = K'\hat{x}'$$

# The Fundamental Matrix

Without knowing  $K$  and  $K'$ , we can define a similar relation using unknown normalized coordinates

$$\hat{x}^T E \hat{x}' = 0$$

$$\hat{x} = K^{-1} x$$

$$\hat{x}' = K'^{-1} x'$$

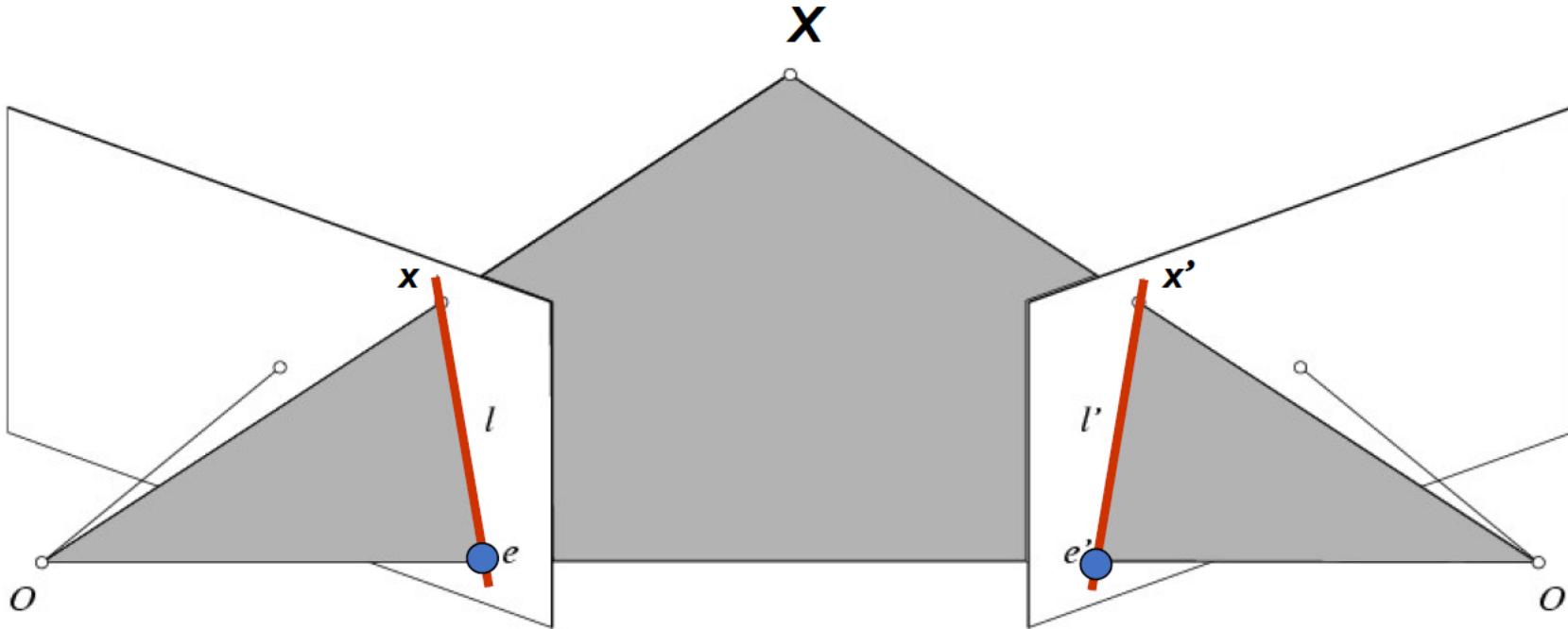


$$x^T F x' = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad F = K^{-T} E K'^{-1}$$



**Fundamental Matrix**  
(Faugeras and Luong, 1992)

# Properties of the Fundamental matrix



$$x^T F x' = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad F = K^{-T} E K'^{-1}$$

- $F x' = 0$  is the epipolar line  $l$  associated with  $x'$
- $F^T x = 0$  is the epipolar line  $l'$  associated with  $x$
- $F$  is singular (rank two):  $\det(F) = 0$
- $F e' = 0$  and  $F^T e = 0$  (nullspaces of  $F = e'$ ; nullspace of  $F^T = e$ )
- $F$  has seven degrees of freedom: 9 entries but defined up to scale,  $\det(F) = 0$

# F in more detail

- F is a 3x3 matrix
- F is Rank 2: one column is a linear combination of the other two

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & \alpha a + \beta b \\ c & d & \alpha c + \beta d \\ e & f & \alpha e + \beta f \end{bmatrix}$$

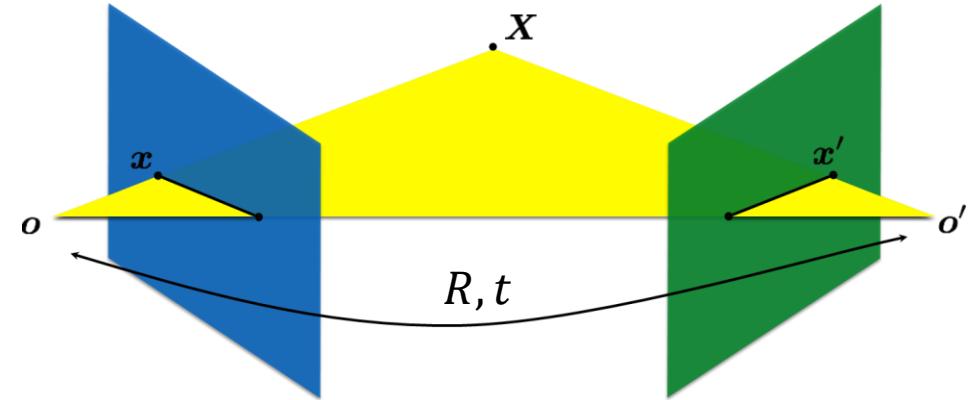
- Determined up to scale
- 7 degrees of freedom
- Given  $x$  projected from  $X$  into image 1, F constrains the projection of  $x'$  into image 2 to an epipolar line

# Fundamental Matrix

Fundamental matrix is related to camera pose as

$$F = K^{-1}[t_x] R K^{-1}$$

where  $(R, t)$  is the relative rotation & translation between camera frames, and  $K$  is the camera calibration matrix.



- Similar to the essential matrix, given  $({}^1R_2, {}^1t_2)$ , the fundamental matrix constructed can be denoted as  ${}^1F_2$ , and the epipolar constraint is

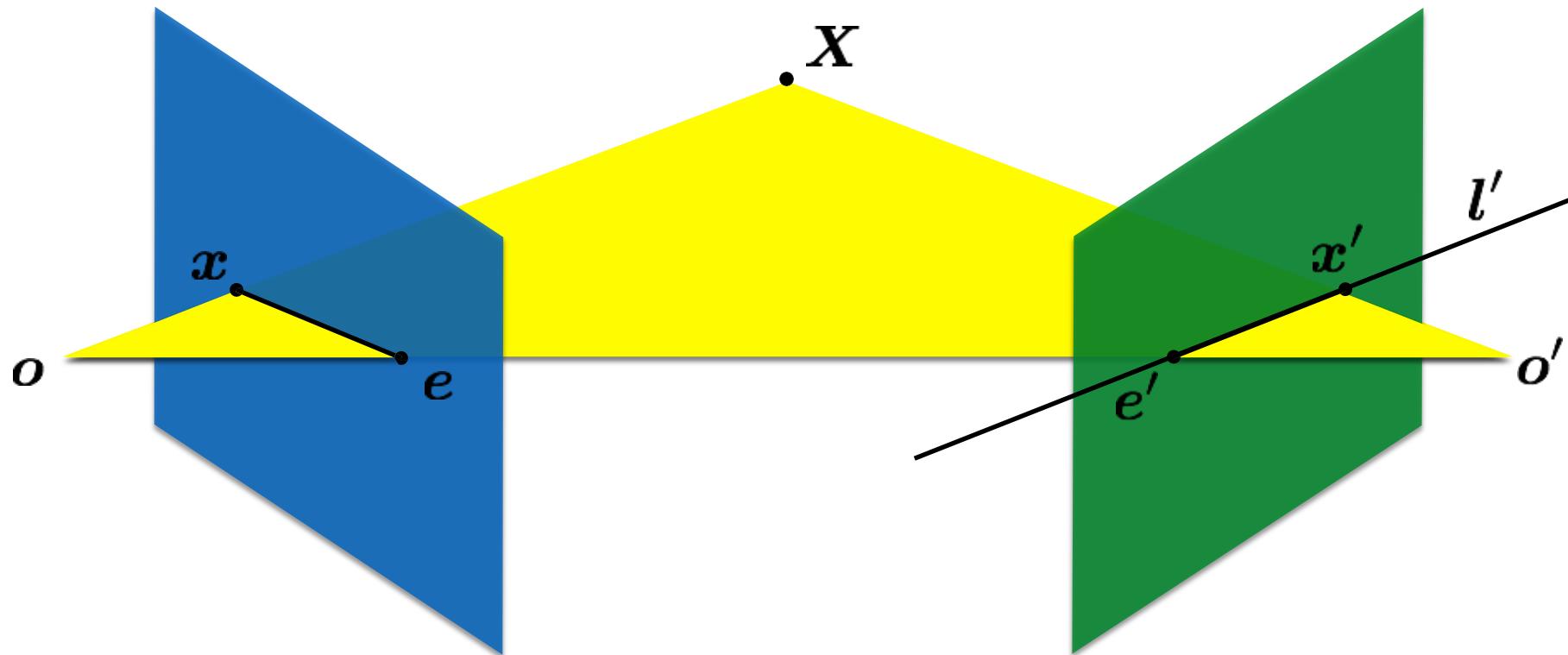
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where  ${}^1x$  and  ${}^2x$  are **pixel** coordinates (*not Cartesian* coordinates) of points in image 1 and 2, respectively.

- Using  $({}^2R_1, {}^2t_1)$ , we get  ${}^2F_1$  and have  ${}^2x^T {}^2F_1 {}^1x = 0$ .
- It holds that  ${}^1F_2 = {}^2F_1^T$

# Recap: Essential Matrix

$$\mathbf{x}'^\top \mathbf{E} \mathbf{x} = 0$$



# Recap: Properties of Essential Matrix

Longuet-Higgins equation

$$\mathbf{x}'^\top \mathbf{E} \mathbf{x} = 0$$

Epipolar lines

$$\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{l} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{l}' = \mathbf{E} \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathbf{x}'^\top \mathbf{l}' = 0$$

$$\mathbf{l} = \mathbf{E}^T \mathbf{x}'$$

Epipoles

$$\mathbf{e}'^\top \mathbf{E} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{E} \mathbf{e} = 0$$

2D points are expressed in camera coordinate system

# Recap: Fundamental Matrix

Without knowing  $K$  and  $K'$ , we can define a similar relation using unknown normalized coordinates

$$\hat{x}'^\top \mathbf{E} \hat{x} = 0$$

The essential matrix operates on image points expressed in **2D coordinates** expressed in the camera coordinate system

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}' = \mathbf{K}'^{-1} \mathbf{x}'$$

camera  
point

Writing out the epipolar constraint in terms of image coordinates

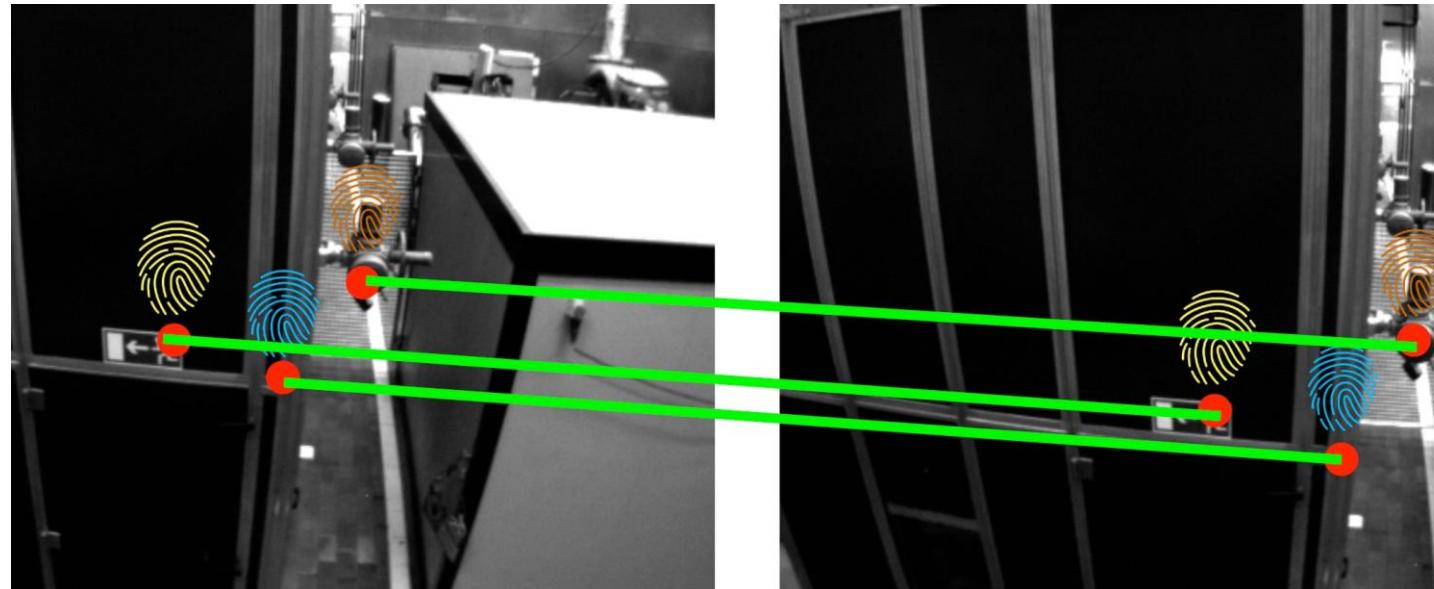
$$\mathbf{x}'^\top (\mathbf{K}'^{-\top} \mathbf{E} \mathbf{K}^{-1}) \mathbf{x} = 0$$

$$x'^\top \mathbf{F} x = 0$$

# Fundamental Matrix

$$\mathbf{x}'_m^\top \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x}_m = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x'_m & y'_m & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_1 & f_2 & f_3 \\ f_4 & f_5 & f_6 \\ f_7 & f_8 & f_9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_m \\ y_m \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$



# Estimating the Fundamental Matrix

- **8-point algorithm**
  - Least squares solution using SVD on equations from 8 pairs of correspondences
  - Enforce  $\det(F) = 0$  constraint using SVD on  $F$
  - **Note:** estimation of  $F$  (or  $E$ ) is degenerate for a planar scene

# 8-Point Algorithm

- Solve a system of homogeneous linear equations
  - Write down the system of equations

$$\mathbf{x}^T F \mathbf{x}' = 0$$

$$uu'f_{11} + uv'f_{12} + uf_{13} + vu'f_{21} + vv'f_{22} + vf_{23} + u'f_{31} + v'f_{32} + f_{33} = 0$$

$$A\mathbf{f} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1u_1' & u_1v_1' & u_1 & v_1u_1' & v_1v_1' & v_1 & u_1' & v_1' & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ u_nu_n' & u_nv_n' & u_n & v_nu_n' & v_nv_n' & v_n & u_n' & v_n' & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_{11} \\ f_{12} \\ f_{13} \\ f_{21} \\ \vdots \\ f_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

# 8-Point Algorithm

- Solve a system of homogeneous linear equations
  - Write down the system of equations
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Python Numpy:

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U, S, Vh = np.linalg.svd(A)
F = Vh[-1,:]
F = np.reshape(F, (3,3))
```

# 8-Point Algorithm

Fundamental matrix has rank 2 :  $\det(F) = 0$ .



**Left :** Uncorrected  $F$  – epipolar lines are not coincident.

**Right :** Epipolar lines from corrected  $F$ .

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Python Numpy:

```
U, S, Vh = np.linalg.svd(F)
S[-1] = 0
F = U @ np.diagflat(S) @ Vh
```

$@$  operator = matrix multiplication

# **Decompose E to get R, t**

SVD:  $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{U}\Sigma\mathbf{V}^\top$

Let  $\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

We get FOUR solutions:

$$\mathbf{R}_1 = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{V}^\top \quad \mathbf{R}_2 = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{W}^\top\mathbf{V}^\top$$

two possible rotations

$$\mathbf{T}_1 = U_3 \quad \mathbf{T}_2 = -U_3$$

two possible translations

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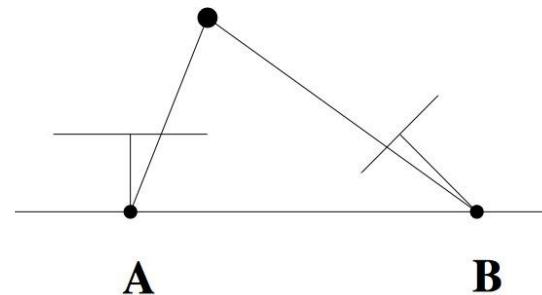
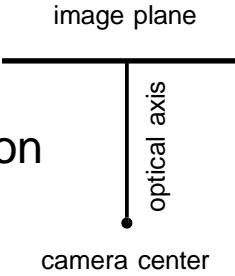
$$\mathbf{T}_1 = U_3$$

Which one do we choose? Chirality constraints:

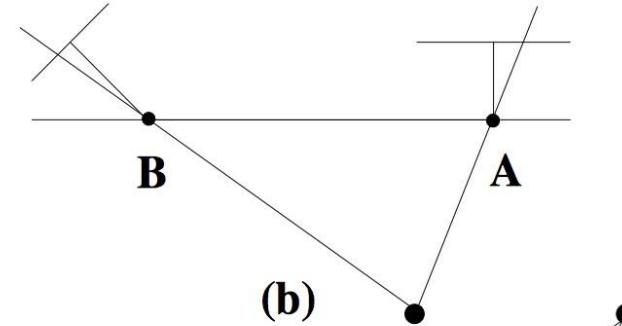
- Compute determinant of R, valid solution must be equal to 1  
(note:  $\det(\mathbf{R}) = -1$  means rotation and reflection)
- Compute 3D point using triangulation, valid solution has positive depth value  
(Note: negative depth means point is behind the camera )

# Correct Solution

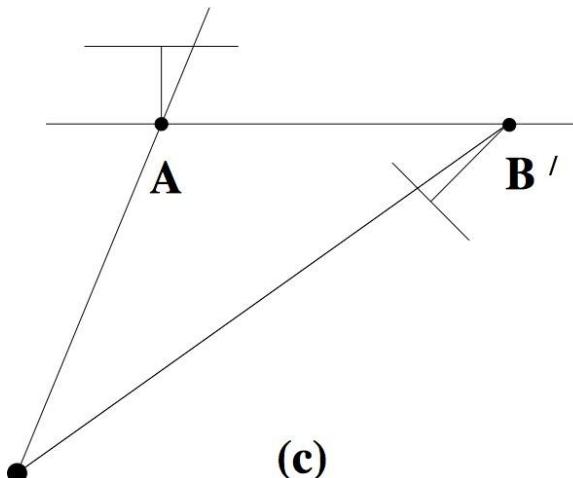
The configuration where Points are in front of cameras



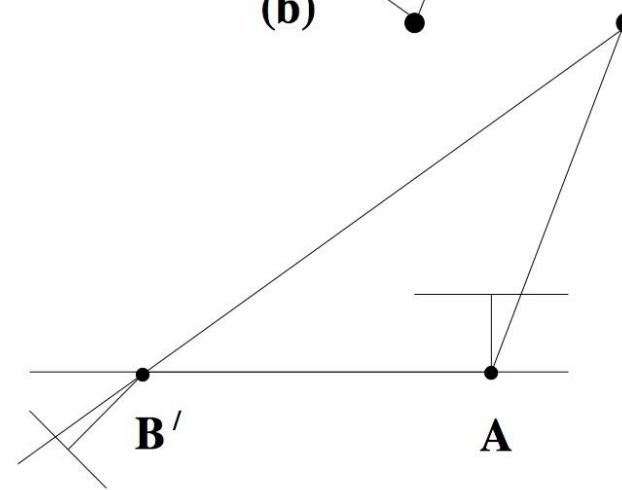
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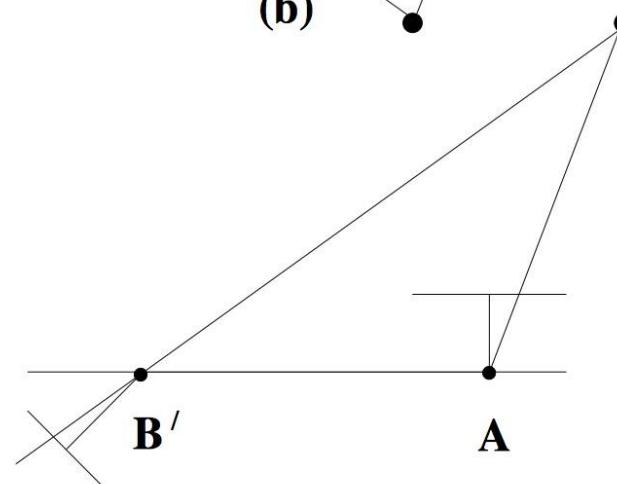
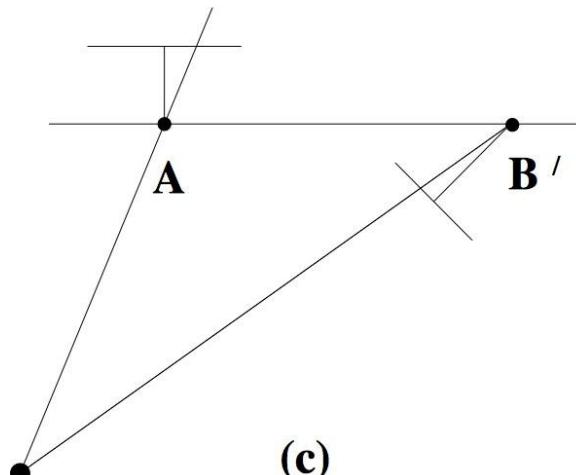
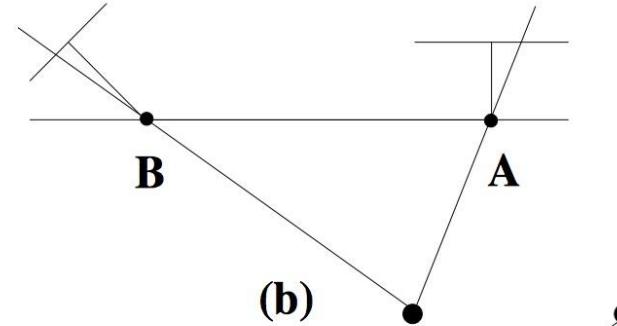
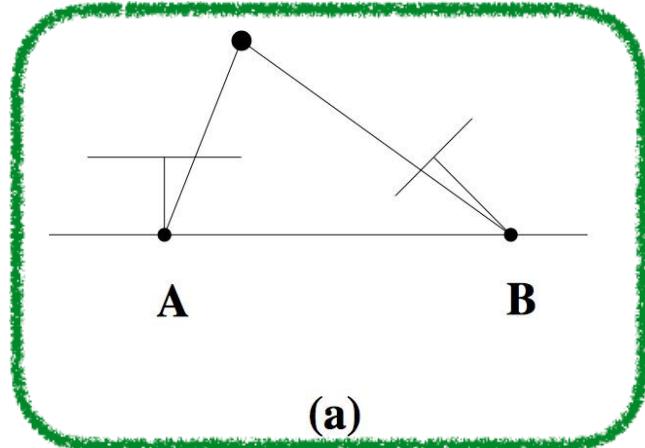
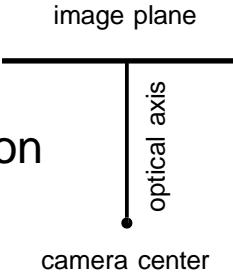
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(d)

# Correct Solution

The configuration where Points are in front of cameras

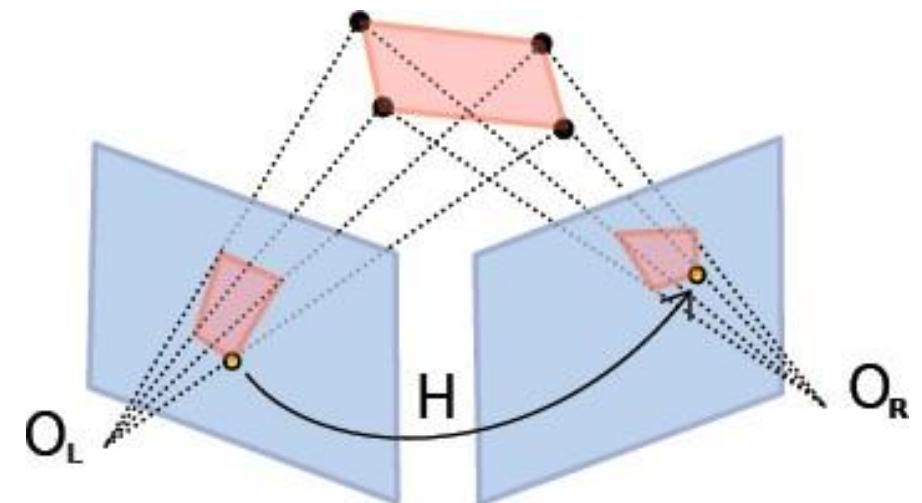
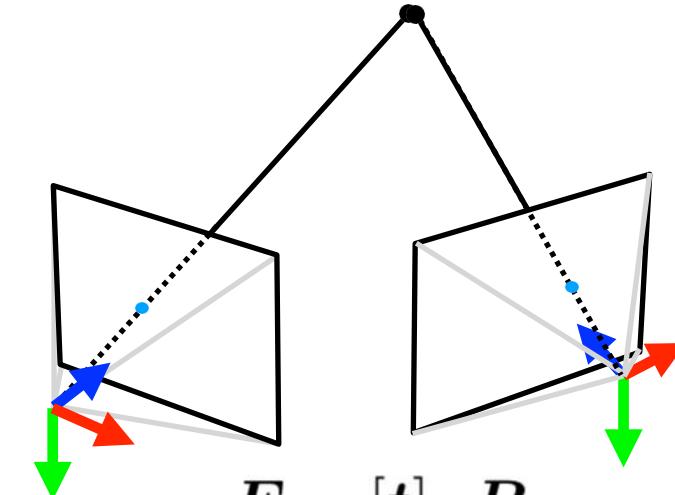


# 8-point Method: Limitations

**Number of correspondences:**  
do we really need 8 points?

**Scene structures:**  
There are certain configurations of  
3D points that make the algorithm fail

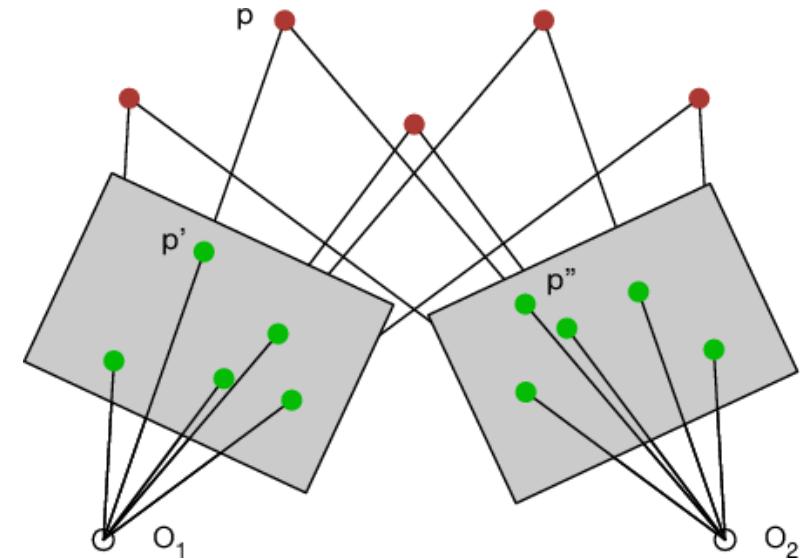
**Parallax:** what if  $t = 0$ ?





# 5-Point Algorithm

- Proposed by Nistér in 2003/2004
- Standard solution today to obtaining the direct solution
- Solving a polynomial of degree 10
- 10 possible solutions
- Often used together RANSAC
  - RANSAC proposes correspondences
  - Evaluate all 5-point solutions based on the other corresponding points
- Stewenius, Engels, Nistér: “Recent Developments on Direct Relative Orientation”, ISPRS 2006
- Li and Hartley: “Five-Point Motion Estimation Made Easy”



# **Homography**

# We can use homographies when...

- The scene is planar



- The scene is very far or has small (relative) depth variation → scene is approximately planar



- The scene is captured under camera rotation only (no translation)



# Panorama: stitching images from different viewpoints



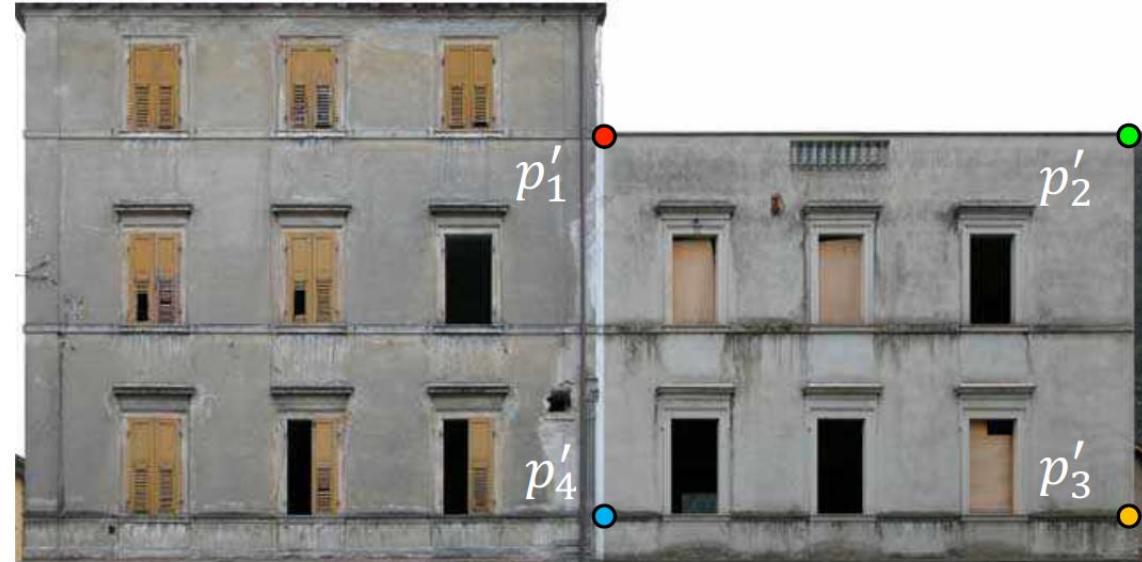
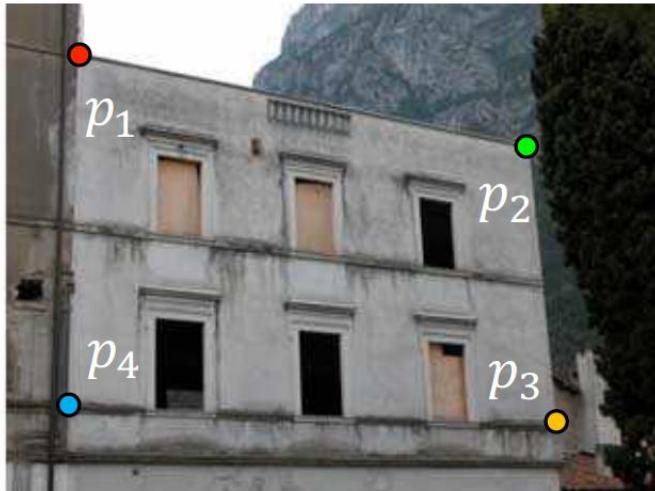
Use image homographies:



# Homography Matrix

Given matched image points  $(P, P')$ , the homography matrix  $H$  relates

$$P' = H \cdot P$$



**Note:** Homography holds only for co-planar points or rotation-only motion

# Homography Matrix

Homography matrix is related to camera relative pose via

$${}^1H_2 = {}^1R_2 - \frac{{}^1t_2 \cdot {}^2n^T}{{}^2d}$$

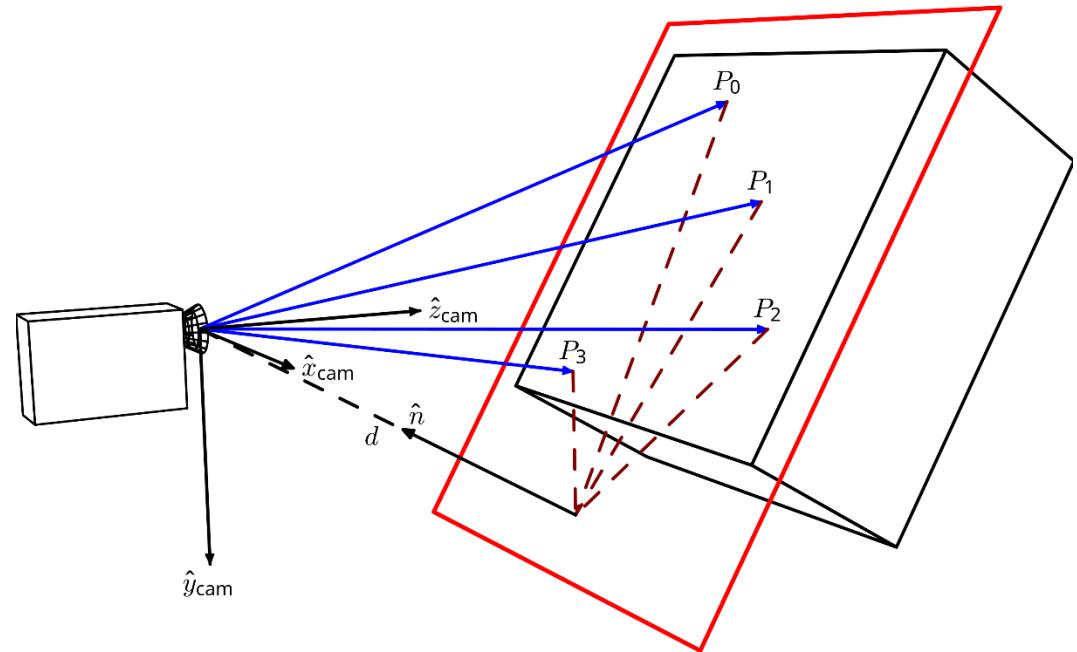
Where  $(R, t)$  is the relative pose,  $n$  is the normal vector of the plane, and  $d$  is the distance from the origin of camera frame to the plane.

Using  $({}^1R_2, {}^1t_2)$ , the homography matrix can be denoted as  ${}^1H_2$ , and the homography constraint is

$${}^1x = {}^1H_2 {}^2x$$

Note that in this case  $n$  and  $d$  must be computed in camera 1 frame. Point  ${}^1x$  and  ${}^2x$  are **Cartesian** coordinates (not pixels) in camera frames.

On the other hand, using  $({}^2R_1, {}^2t_1), {}^2n, {}^2d$  will yield  ${}^2H_1$ , and therefore we have  ${}^2x = {}^2H_1 {}^1x$   
It holds that  ${}^1H_2 = {}^2H_1^{-1}$



# Estimating the homography matrix

Write out linear equation for each correspondence:

$$P' = H \cdot P \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \\ h_4 & h_5 & h_6 \\ h_7 & h_8 & h_9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



(Homogeneous coordinates, so up to a scale factor)

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Expand matrix multiplication:

$$x' = \alpha(h_1x + h_2y + h_3)$$

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Divide out unknown scale factor:

$$\begin{aligned} x'(h_7x + h_8y + h_9) &= (h_1x + h_2y + h_3) \\ y'(h_7x + h_8y + h_9) &= (h_4x + h_5y + h_6) \end{aligned}$$

*How do you rearrange terms to make it a linear system?*

# Estimating the homography matrix

$$x'(h_7x + h_8y + h_9) = (h_1x + h_2y + h_3)$$

$$y'(h_7x + h_8y + h_9) = (h_4x + h_5y + h_6)$$

Rearrange the terms



$$h_7xx' + h_8yx' + h_9x' - h_1x - h_2y - h_3 = 0$$

$$h_7xy' + h_8yy' + h_9y' - h_4x - h_5y - h_6 = 0$$

# Estimating the homography matrix

Re-arrange terms:

$$h_7xx' + h_8yx' + h_9x' - h_1x - h_2y - h_3 = 0$$

$$h_7xy' + h_8yy' + h_9y' - h_4x - h_5y - h_6 = 0$$

Re-write in matrix form:

$$\mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{0}$$
$$\mathbf{A}_i = \begin{bmatrix} -x & -y & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & xx' & yx' & x' \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -x & -y & -1 & xy' & yy' & y' \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{h} = [ h_1 \ h_2 \ h_3 \ h_4 \ h_5 \ h_6 \ h_7 \ h_8 \ h_9 ]^\top$$

*How many equations  
from one point  
correspondence?*

# Estimating the Homography Matrix

Stack together constraints from multiple point correspondences

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -x & -y & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & xx' & yx' & x' \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -x & -y & -1 & xy' & yy' & y' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \\ h_3 \\ h_4 \\ h_5 \\ h_6 \\ h_7 \\ h_8 \\ h_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

⋮

$$\begin{bmatrix} -x & -y & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & xx' & yx' & x' \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -x & -y & -1 & xy' & yy' & y' \end{bmatrix}$$

# Estimating the Homography Matrix

- **Direct Linear Transform (DLT)** algorithm
  - Create matrix  $A$  from point correspondences
  - Compute SVD:  $A = U\Sigma V^T$

Python Numpy:

```
U, S, Vh = np.linalg.svd(A)
```

- Store singular vector of the smallest singular value  $\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{v}_i$
- Reshape to get  $H$

```
h = Vh[-1,:]  
H = np.reshape(h, (3,3))
```

# Decomposing Homography Matrix

The decomposition of  $H = R - \frac{t n^T}{d}$  into  $R, t, n$ :

- SVD:  $H = U \Sigma V^T$
- $R = U V^T$
- Let  $M = H - R$
- SVD:  $M = U_M \Sigma_M V_M^T$
- Let  $u, v$  be the left and right singular vectors, and  $\sigma$  be the corresponding singular value in SVD of  $M$
- $t = \sigma du, n = v$

# Decomposing Homography Matrix

Example:

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1.1 & -0.2 & 0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0.9 & -0.1 \\ 0.05 & 0.1 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H = U\Sigma V^T \quad \rightarrow \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} -0.89 & 0.45 & -0.06 \\ -0.35 & -0.76 & -0.55 \\ -0.30 & -0.47 & 0.83 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1.23 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.91 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.78 \end{bmatrix}, \quad V^T = \begin{bmatrix} -0.92 & 0.38 & -0.06 \\ -0.38 & -0.91 & -0.15 \\ -0.06 & -0.15 & 0.99 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = UV^T \quad \rightarrow \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} 0.99 & -0.10 & 0.09 \\ 0.10 & 0.99 & -0.03 \\ -0.09 & 0.04 & 0.99 \end{bmatrix}$$

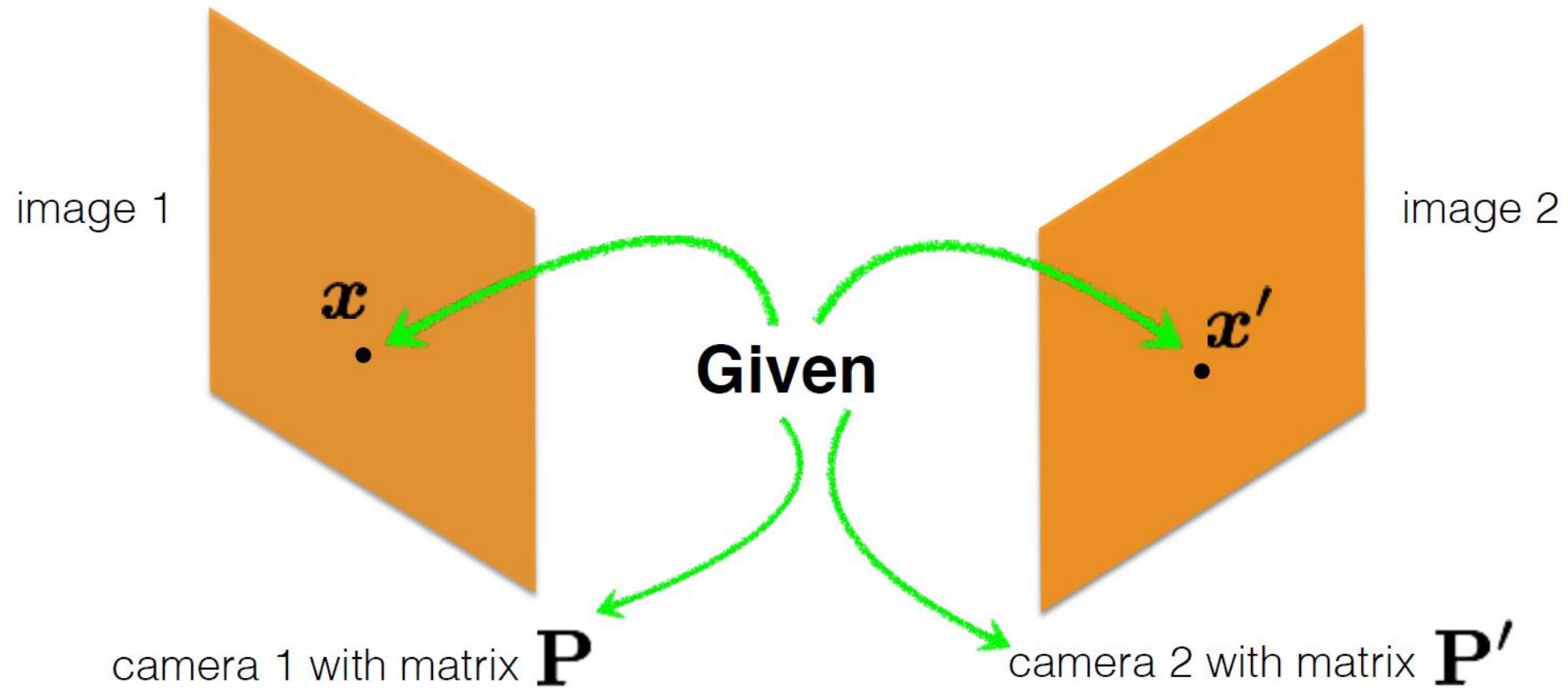
$$M = H - R = \begin{bmatrix} 0.11 & -0.10 & 0.21 \\ 0.00 & -0.09 & -0.07 \\ 0.14 & 0.06 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = U_M \Sigma_M V_M^T \quad \rightarrow \quad U_M = \begin{bmatrix} -0.82 & -0.57 & -0.07 \\ 0.30 & -0.52 & 0.80 \\ -0.49 & 0.64 & 0.59 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Sigma_M = \begin{bmatrix} 0.29 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.12 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix}, \quad V_M^T = \begin{bmatrix} -0.47 & 0.87 & -0.16 \\ -0.88 & -0.46 & 0.12 \\ 0.05 & 0.19 & 0.98 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{t} = \sigma_1 \mathbf{u}_1 = 0.29 \begin{bmatrix} -0.82 \\ 0.30 \\ -0.49 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.24 \\ 0.09 \\ -0.14 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.47 \\ -0.88 \\ 0.05 \end{bmatrix}$$

# **3D Reconstruction**

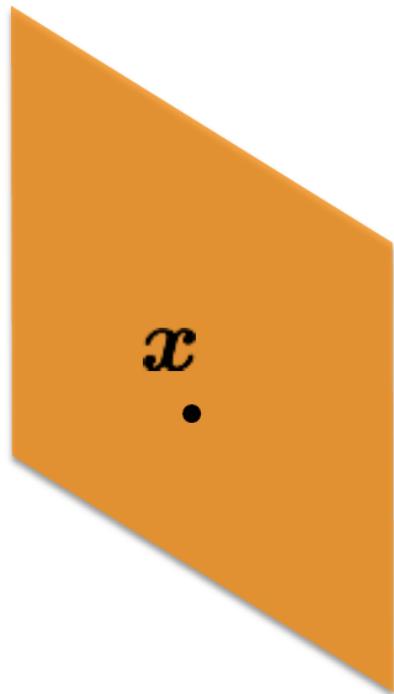
# Triangulation



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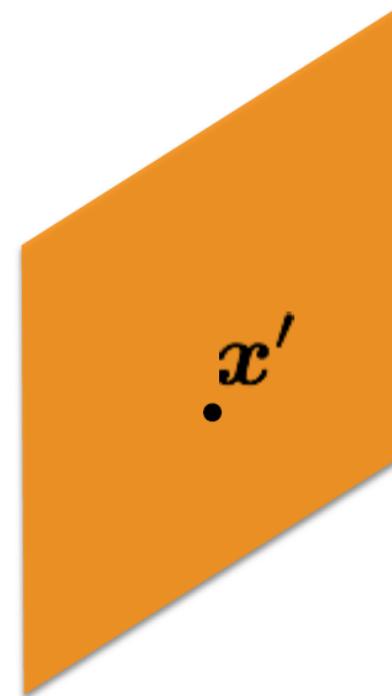
Which 3D points map  
to  $\mathbf{x}$ ?

image 1



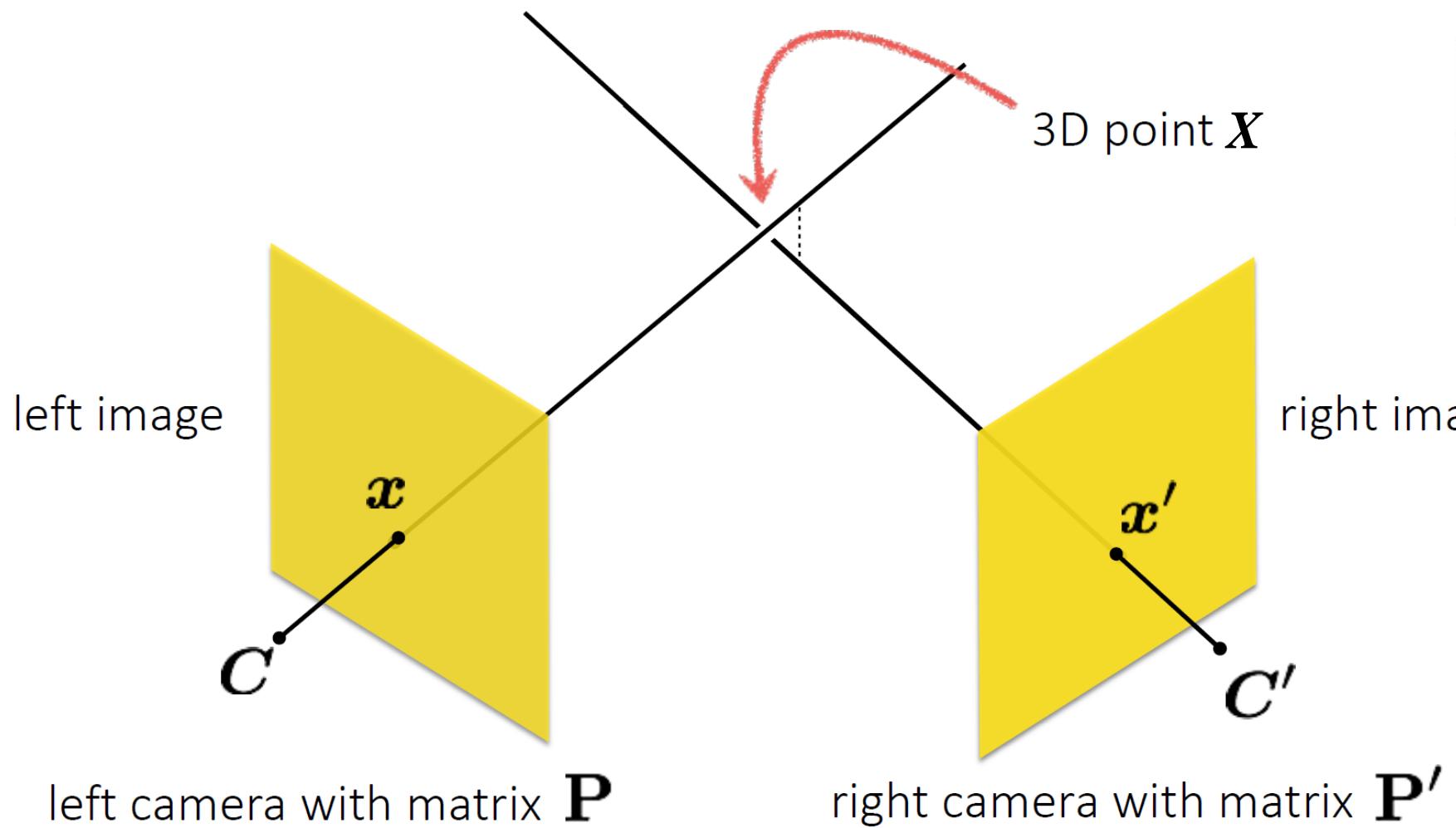
camera 1 with matrix  $\mathbf{P}$

image 2



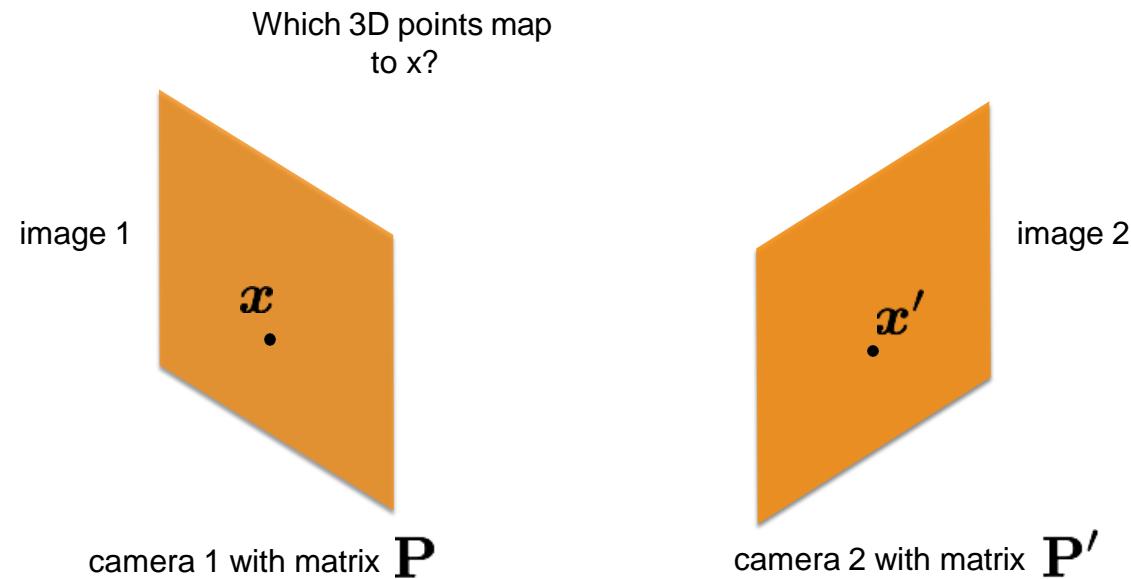
camera 2 with matrix  $\mathbf{P}'$

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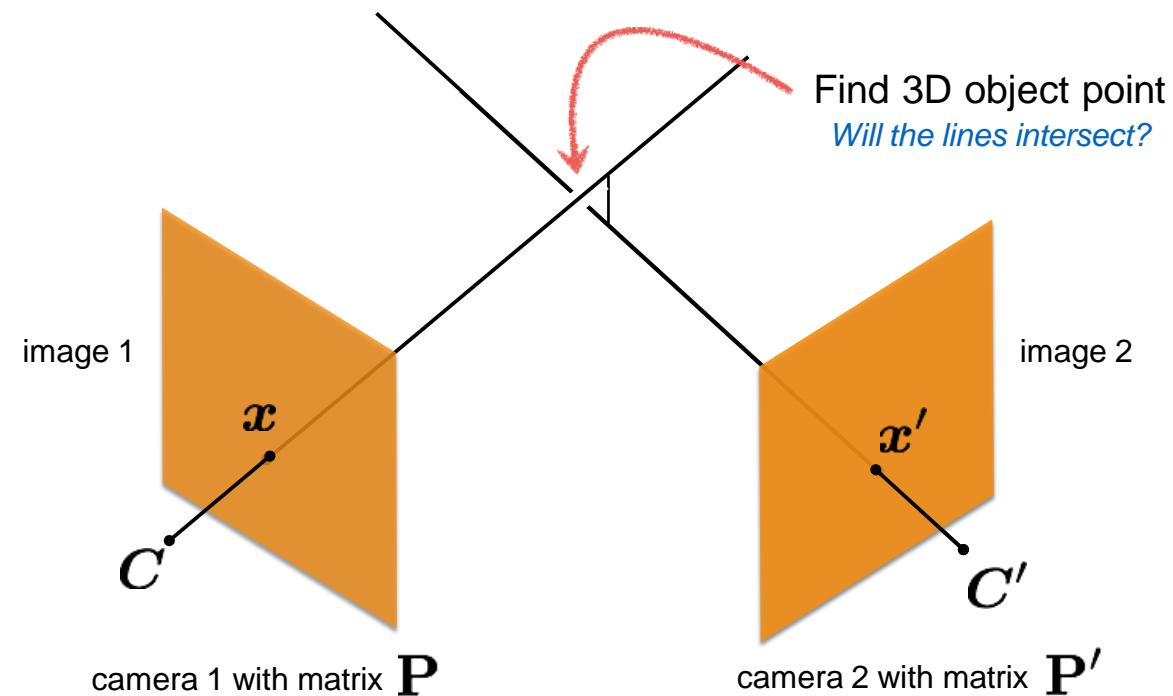


$$\begin{bmatrix} y\mathbf{p}_3^\top - \mathbf{p}_2^\top \\ \mathbf{p}_1^\top - x\mathbf{p}_3^\top \\ y'\mathbf{p}'_3^\top - \mathbf{p}'_2^\top \\ \mathbf{p}'_1^\top - x'\mathbf{p}'_3^\top \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

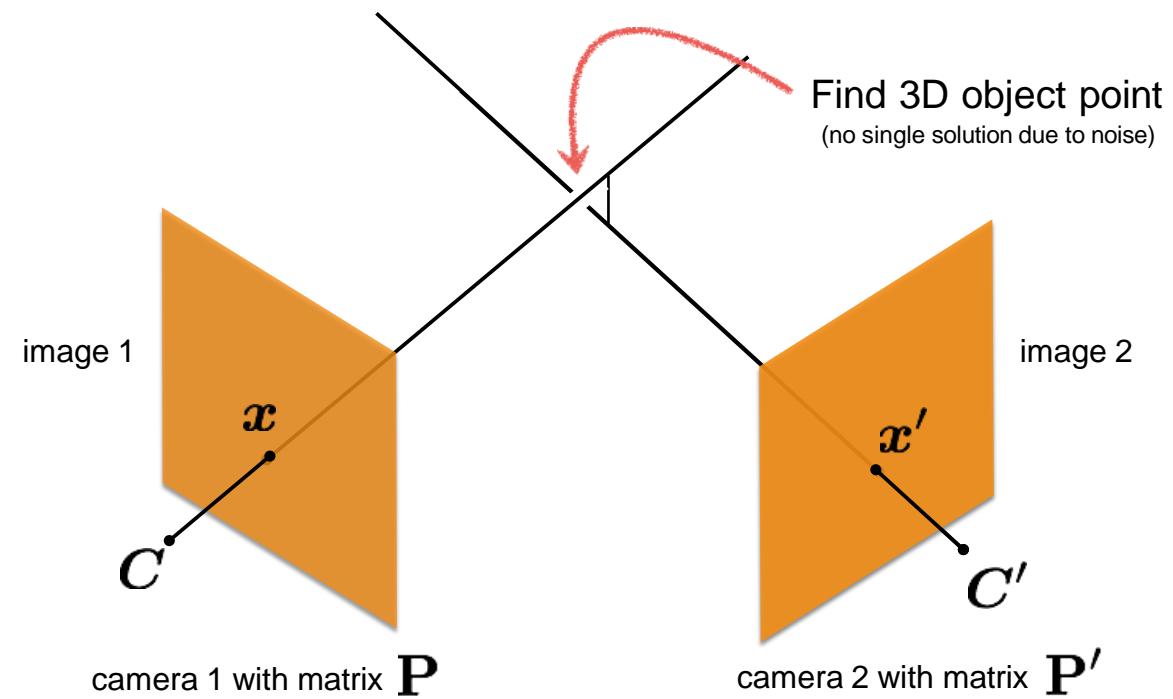
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# Triangulation

What is triangulation?

Given a set of (noisy) matched points

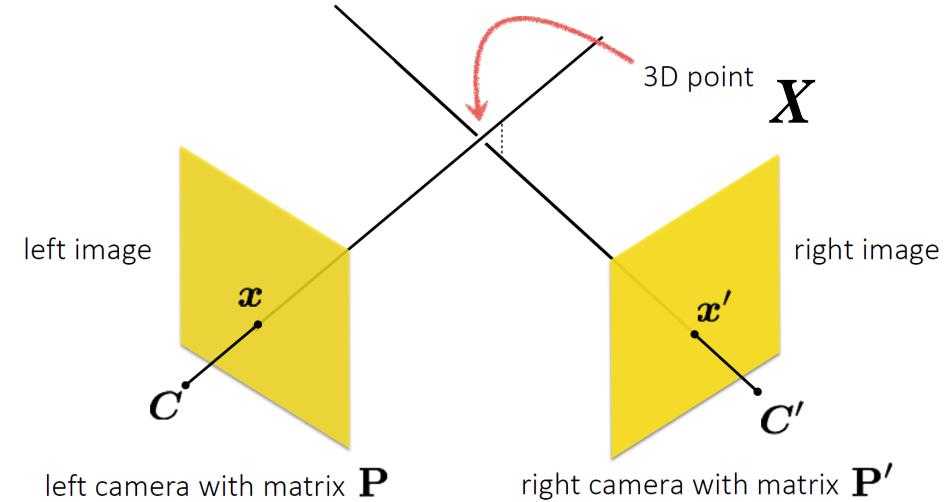
$$\{\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}'_i\}$$

and camera matrices

$$\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{P}'$$

Estimate the 3D point

$$\mathbf{X}$$



Can we compute  $\mathbf{X}$  from a single correspondence  $\mathbf{x}$ ?

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}$$

known      known

No!

# Triangulation

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X}$$

(homogeneous  
coordinate)

This is a *similarity relation* because it involves *homogeneous* coordinates

$$\mathbf{x} = \alpha \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X}$$

(heterogeneous  
coordinate)

Same ray direction but differs by a scale factor

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} p_1 & p_2 & p_3 & p_4 \\ p_5 & p_6 & p_7 & p_8 \\ p_9 & p_{10} & p_{11} & p_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

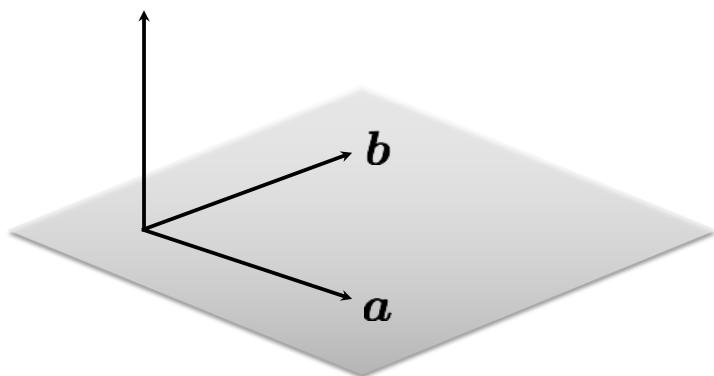
*How do we solve for unknowns in a similarity relation?*

# Linear algebra reminder

## Vector cross product

takes two vectors and returns a vector perpendicular to both

$$\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$$



$$\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{a} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_2b_3 - a_3b_2 \\ a_3b_1 - a_1b_3 \\ a_1b_2 - a_2b_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

cross product of two vectors in  
the same direction is zero  
vector

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a} = 0$$

remember this!!!

# Linear algebra reminder: cross product

Cross product

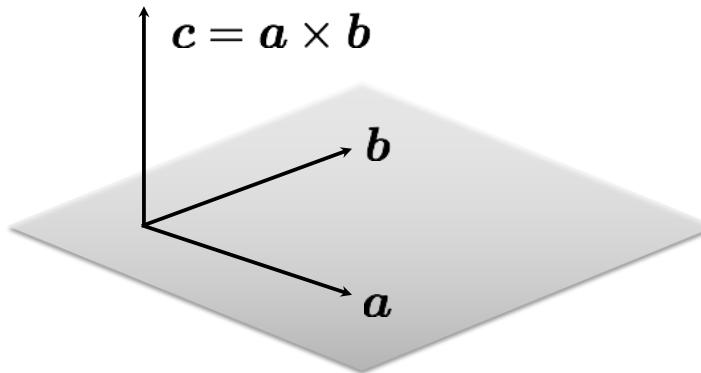
$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2 \\ a_3 b_1 - a_1 b_3 \\ a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Can also be written as a matrix multiplication

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = [\mathbf{a}]_{\times} \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a_3 & a_2 \\ a_3 & 0 & -a_1 \\ -a_2 & a_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Skew symmetric

# Compare with: dot product



$$\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{a} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$$

dot product of two orthogonal vectors is (scalar) zero

# Back to triangulation

$$\mathbf{x} = \alpha \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X}$$

Same direction but differs by a scale factor

*How can we rewrite this using vector products?*

$$\mathbf{x} = \alpha \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X}$$

Same direction but differs by a scale factor

$$\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

Cross product of two vectors of same direction is zero  
(this equality removes the scale factor)

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} p_1 & p_2 & p_3 & p_4 \\ p_5 & p_6 & p_7 & p_8 \\ p_9 & p_{10} & p_{11} & p_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Do the same after first  
expanding out the  
camera matrix and points

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} \text{--- } \mathbf{p}_1^\top \text{---} \\ \text{--- } \mathbf{p}_2^\top \text{---} \\ \text{--- } \mathbf{p}_3^\top \text{---} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} | \\ \mathbf{X} \\ | \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_1^\top \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{p}_2^\top \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_1^\top \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{p}_2^\top \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y\mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{p}_2^\top \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{p}_1^\top \mathbf{X} - x\mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X} \\ x\mathbf{p}_2^\top \mathbf{X} - y\mathbf{p}_1^\top \mathbf{X} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using the fact that the cross product should be zero

$$\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y\mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{p}_2^\top \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{p}_1^\top \mathbf{X} - x\mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X} \\ x\mathbf{p}_2^\top \mathbf{X} - y\mathbf{p}_1^\top \mathbf{X} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Third line is a linear combination of the first and second lines.  
( $x$  times the first line plus  $y$  times the second line)

One 2D to 3D point correspondence give you 2 equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} y\mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{p}_2^\top \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{p}_1^\top \mathbf{X} - x\mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Remove third row, and  
rearrange as system on  
unknowns

$$\begin{bmatrix} y\mathbf{p}_3^\top - \mathbf{p}_2^\top \\ \mathbf{p}_1^\top - x\mathbf{p}_3^\top \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

Now we can make a system of linear equations  
(two lines for each 2D point correspondence)

Concatenate the 2D points from both images

Two rows from camera one

Two rows from camera two

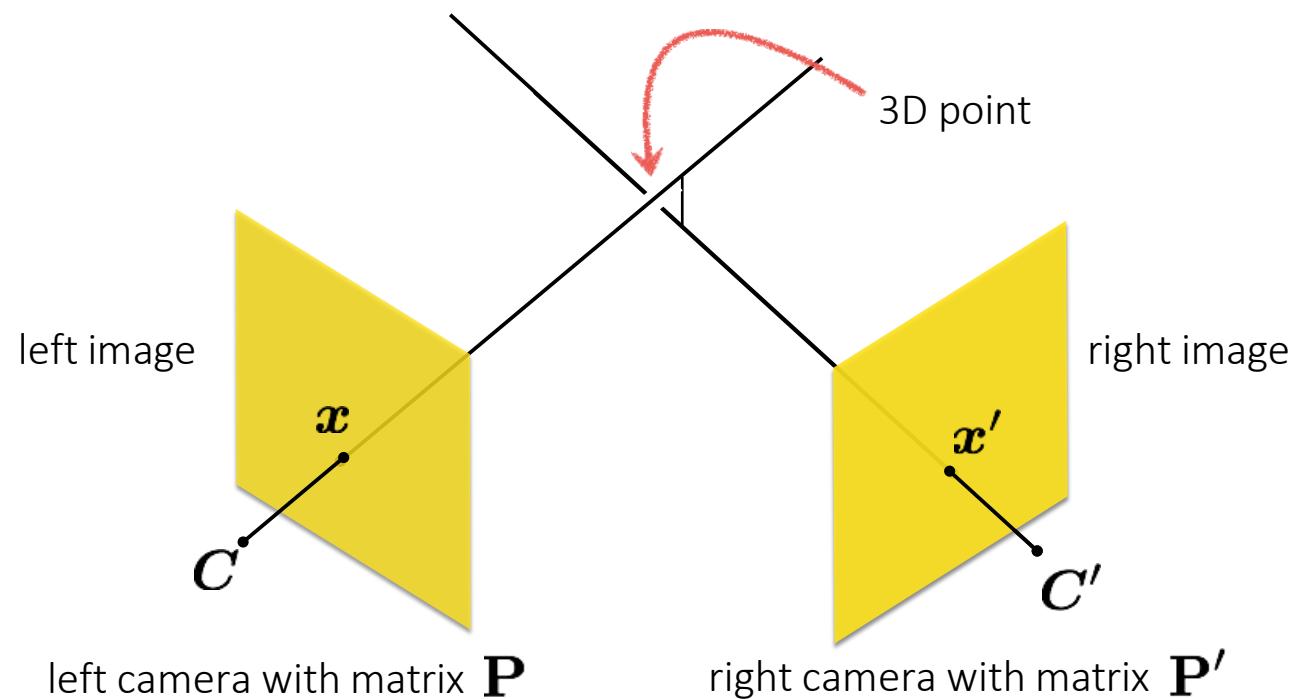
$$\begin{bmatrix} y\mathbf{p}_3^\top - \mathbf{p}_2^\top \\ \mathbf{p}_1^\top - x\mathbf{p}_3^\top \\ y'\mathbf{p}'_3^\top - \mathbf{p}'_2^\top \\ \mathbf{p}'_1^\top - x'\mathbf{p}'_3^\top \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

*sanity check! dimensions?*

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

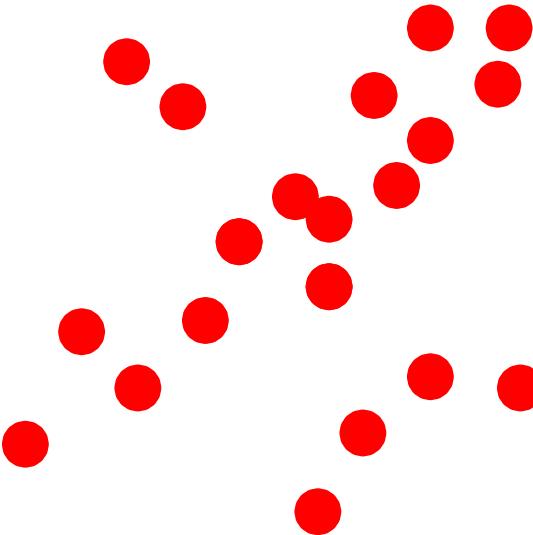
*How do we solve homogeneous linear system?  
SVD!*

# Triangulation



# **Random Sample Consensus (RANSAC)**

# Fitting lines (with outliers)

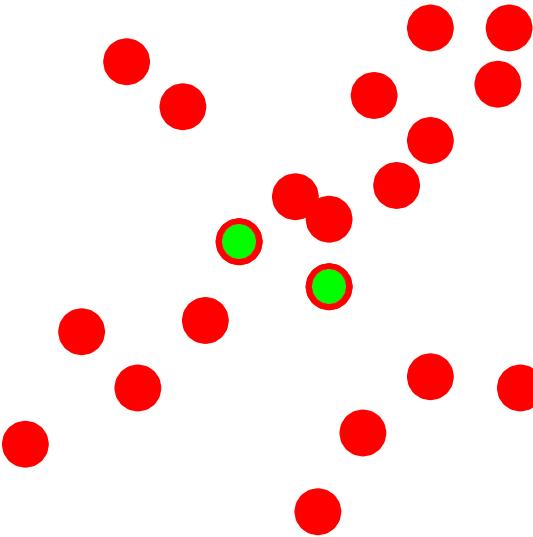


## Algorithm:

1. Sample (randomly) the number of points required to fit the model
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3. Score by the fraction of inliers within a preset threshold of the model

Repeat 1-3 until the best model is found with high confidence

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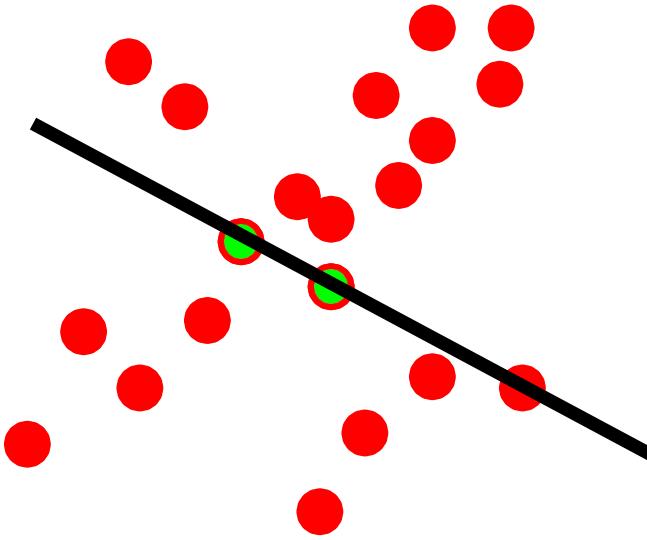


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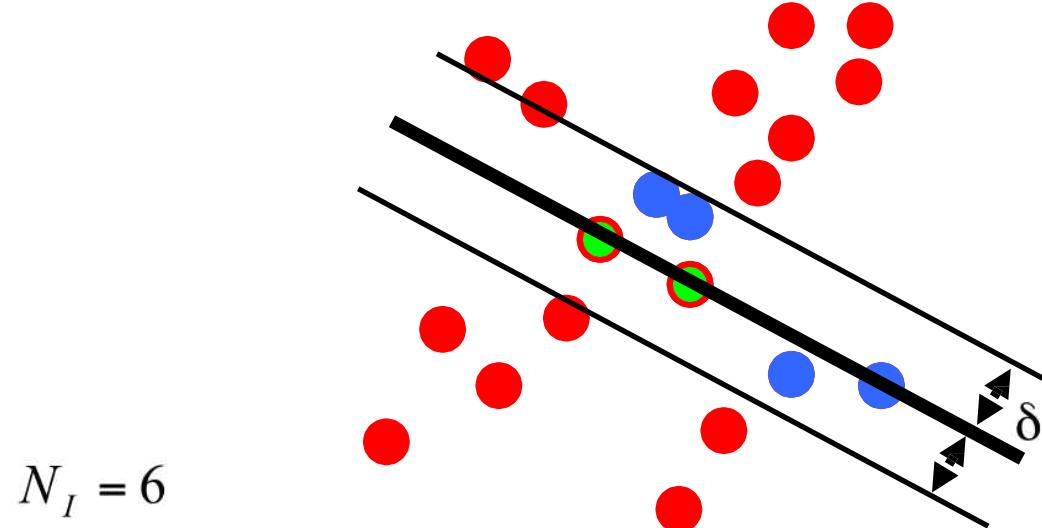


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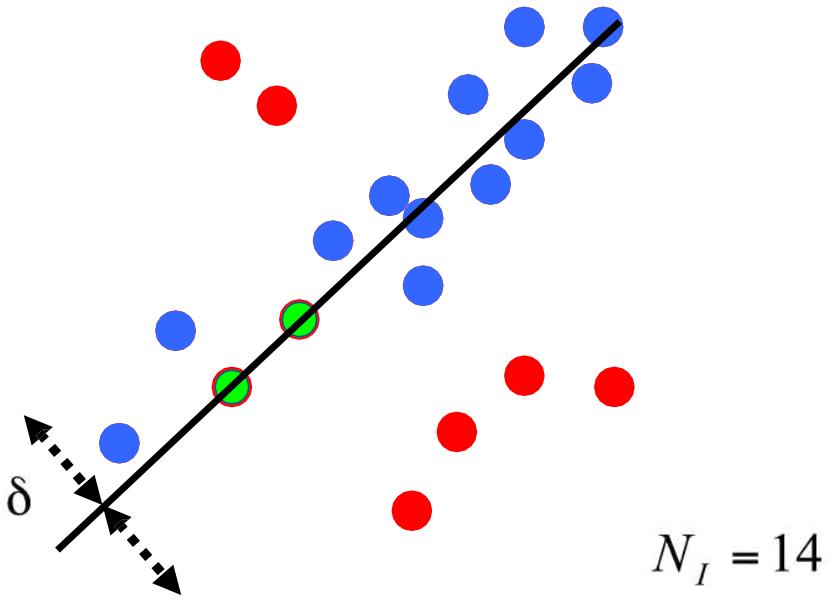


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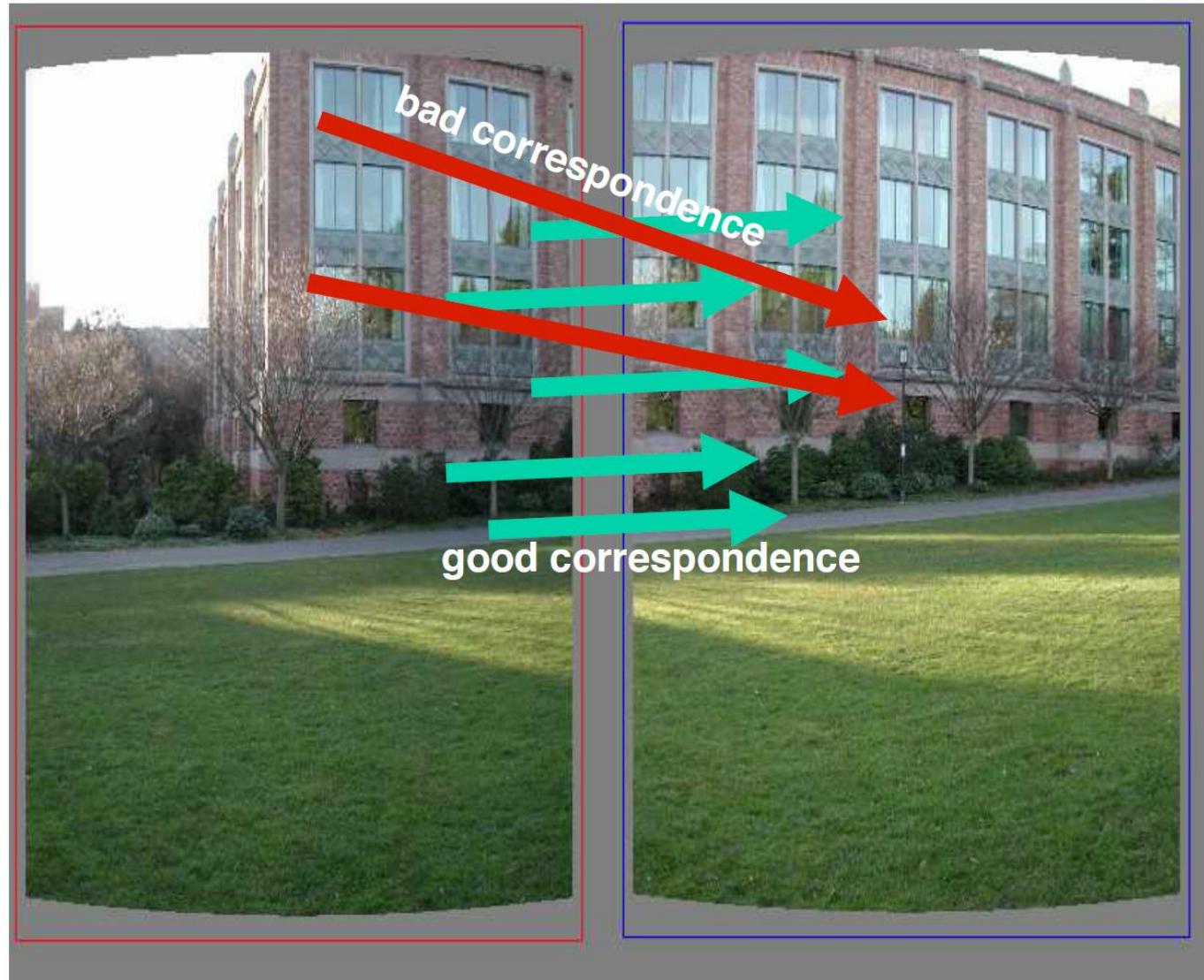
# Example

Given two images, find matching features (e.g., SIFT) and a translation transform



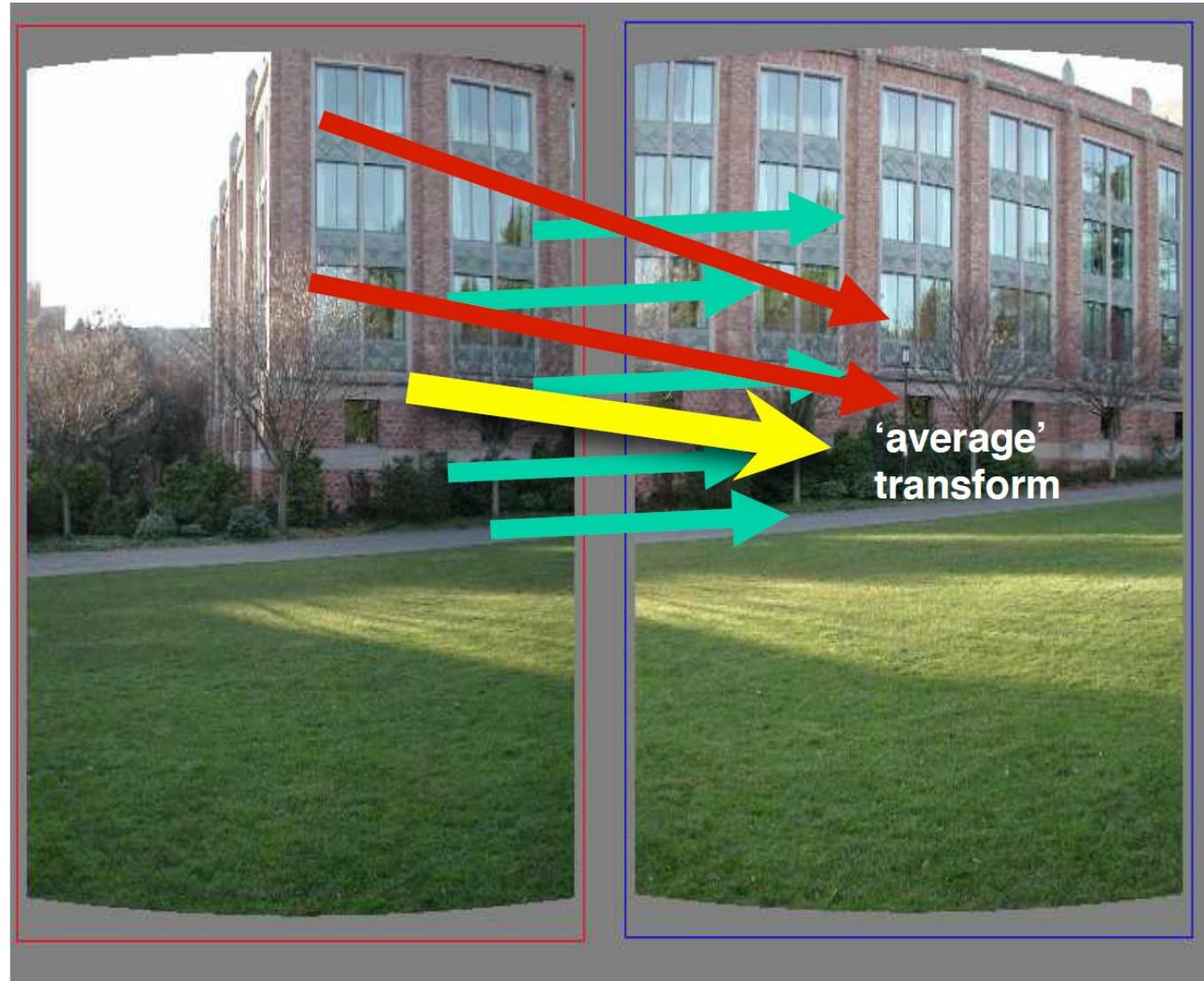
# Example

Matched points will usually contain bad correspondences



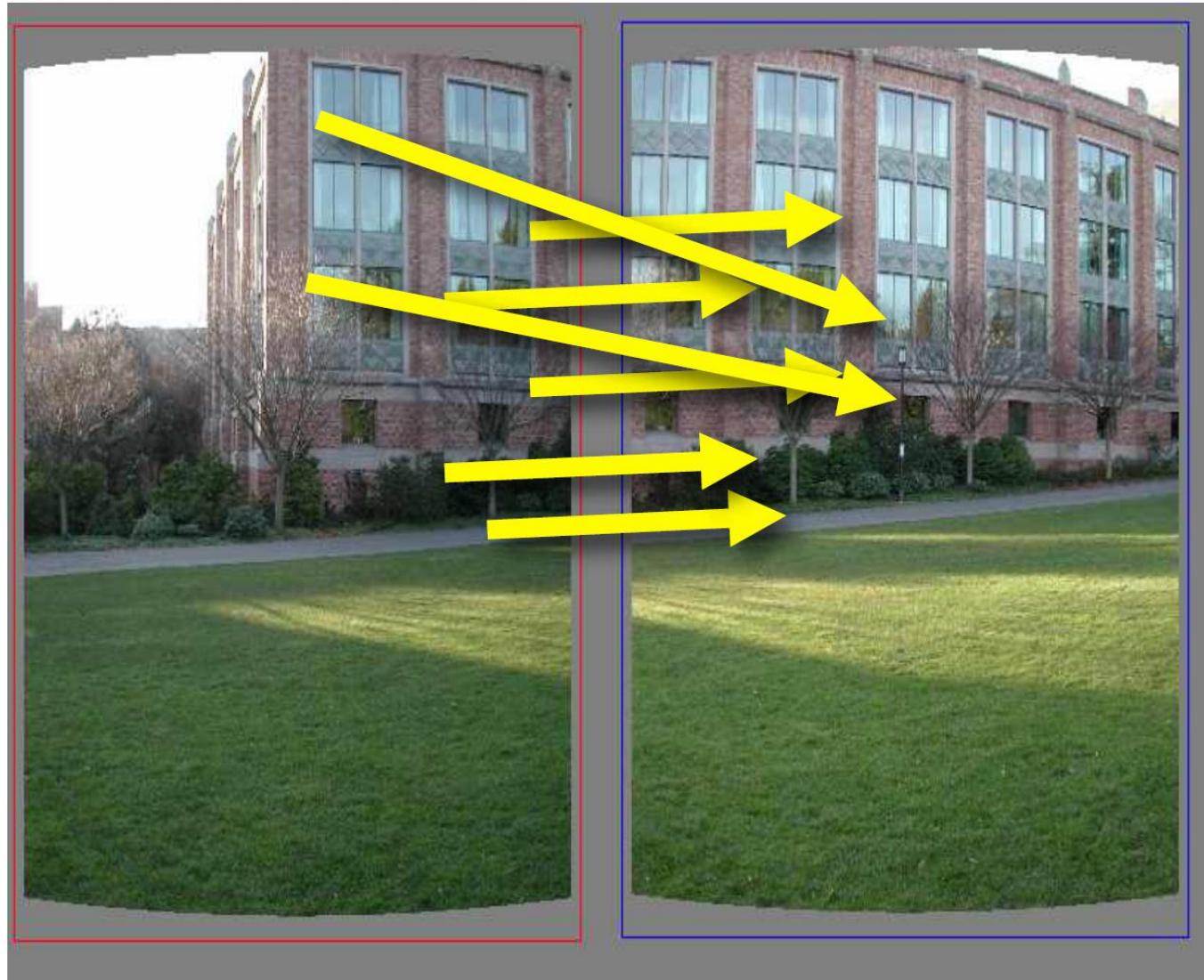
# Example

Least squares solutions will find the "average" transform



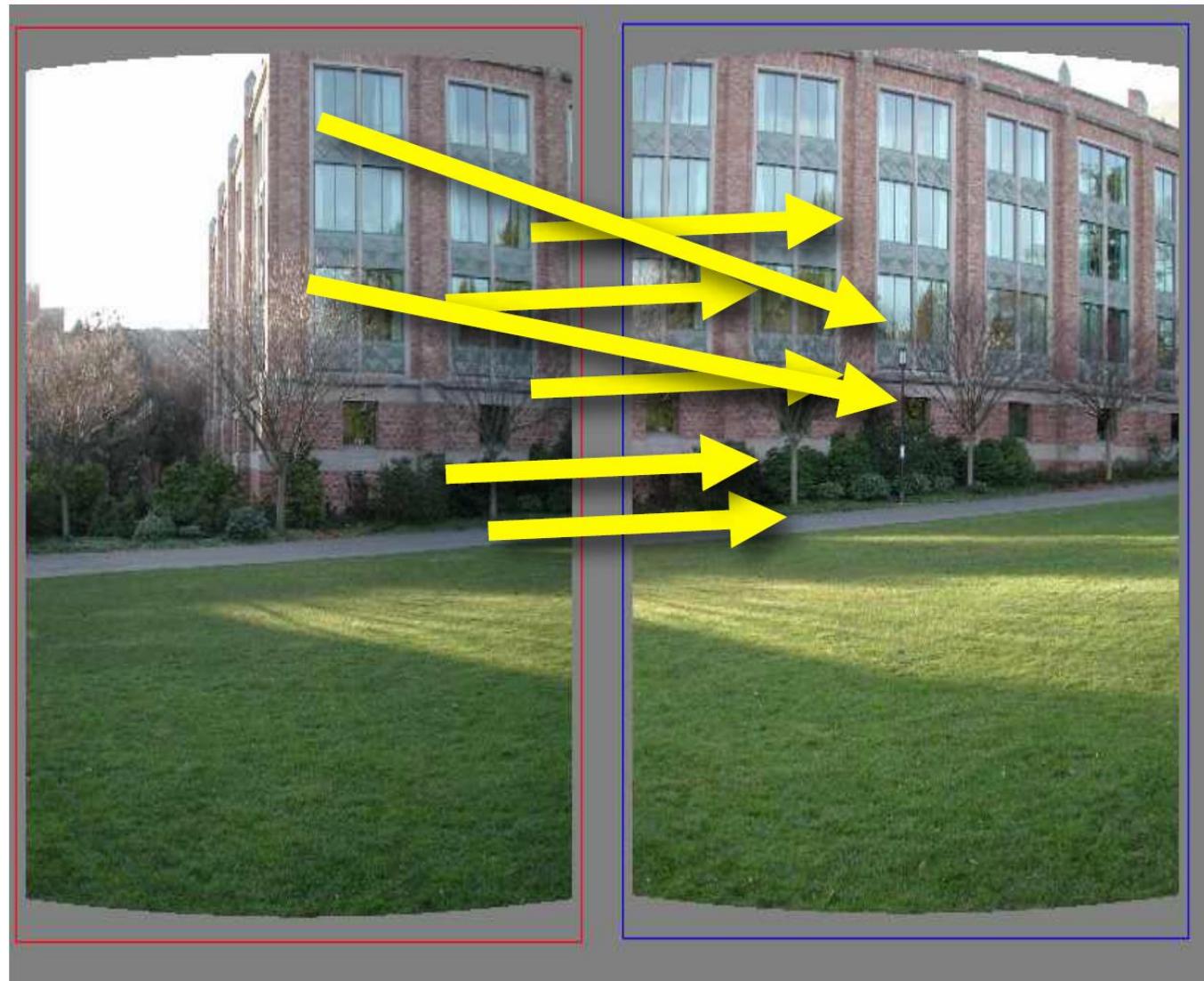
# Example

Use RANSAC!



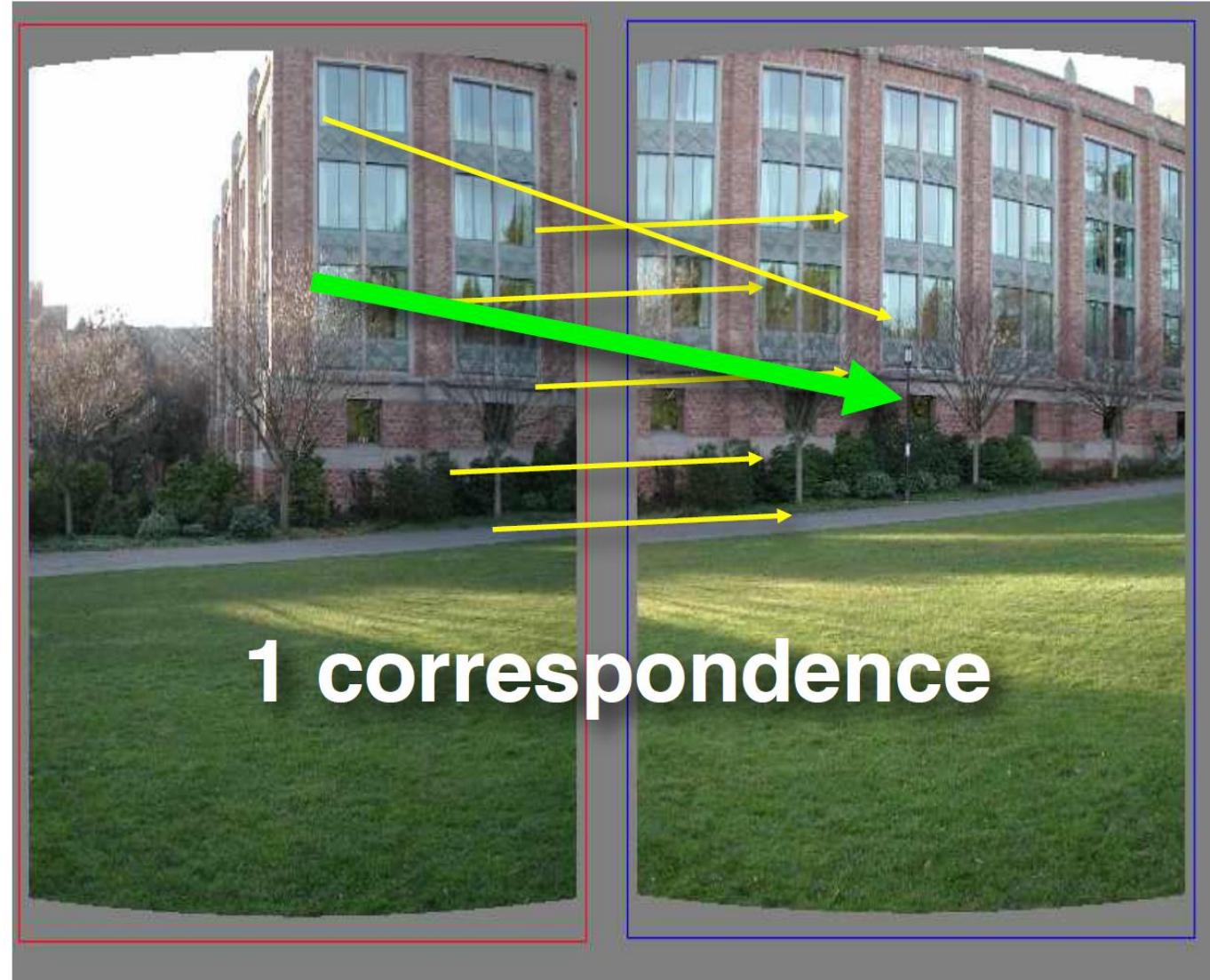
# Example

Need only one correspondence, to find translation model



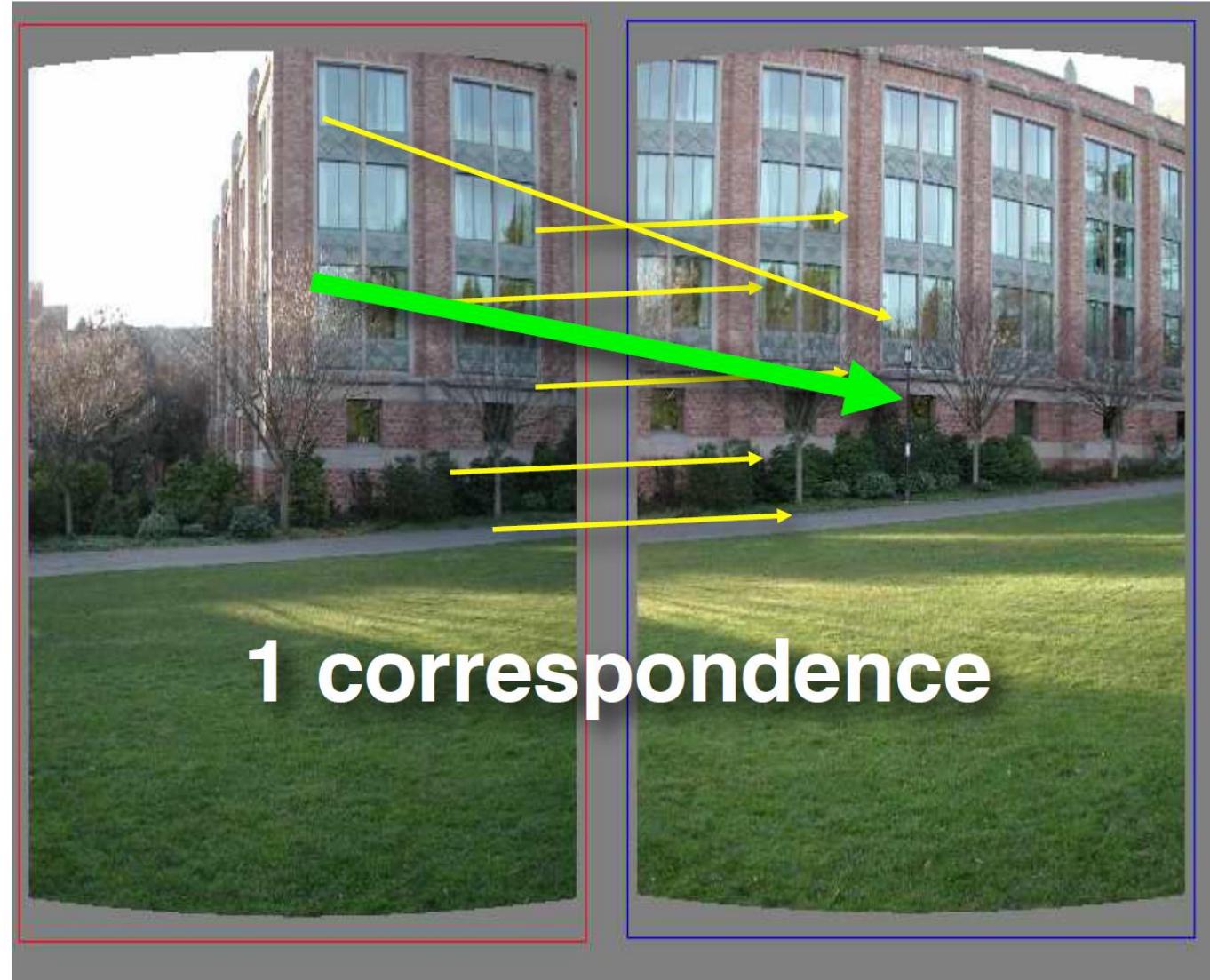
# Example

Pick one correspondence, count inliers



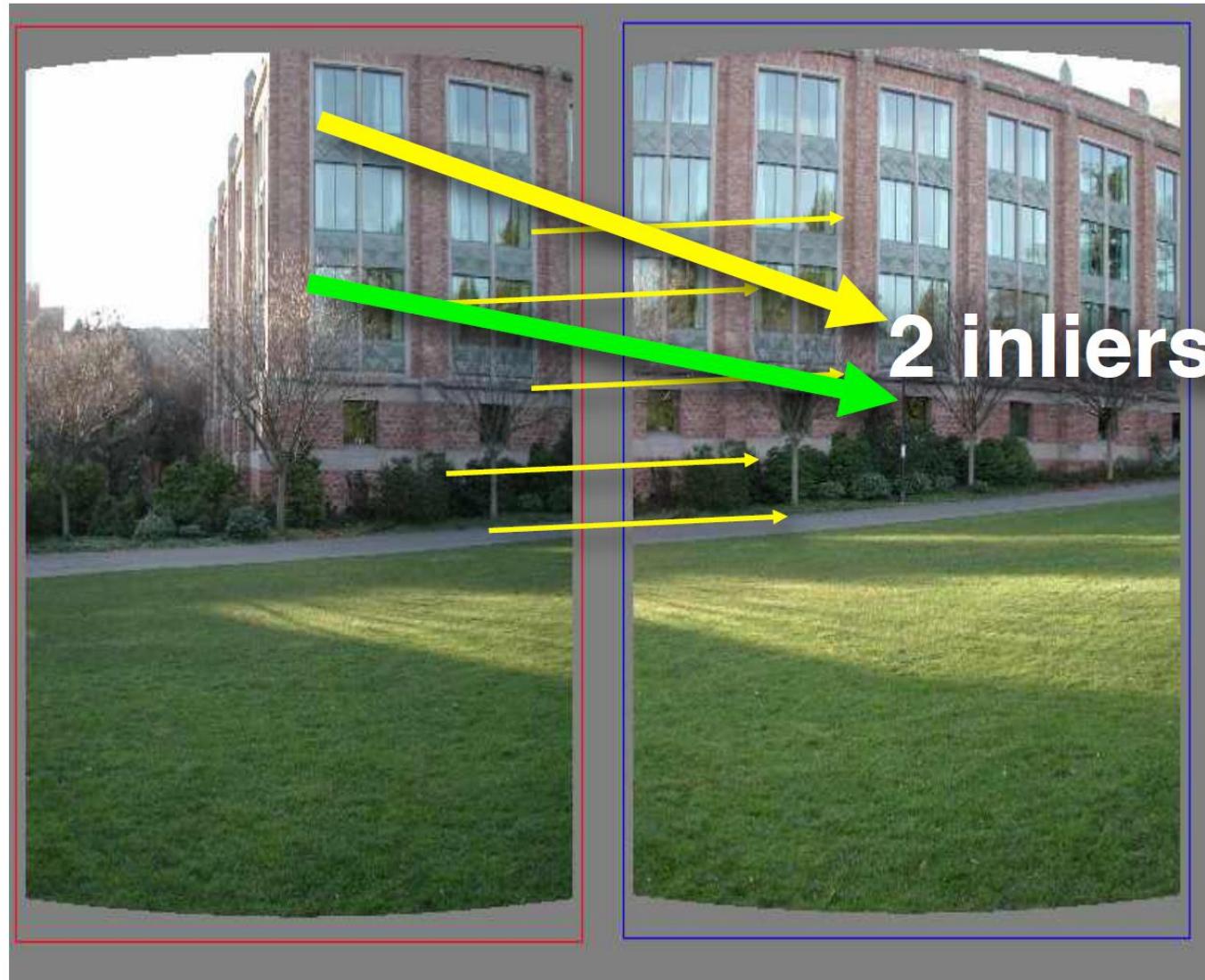
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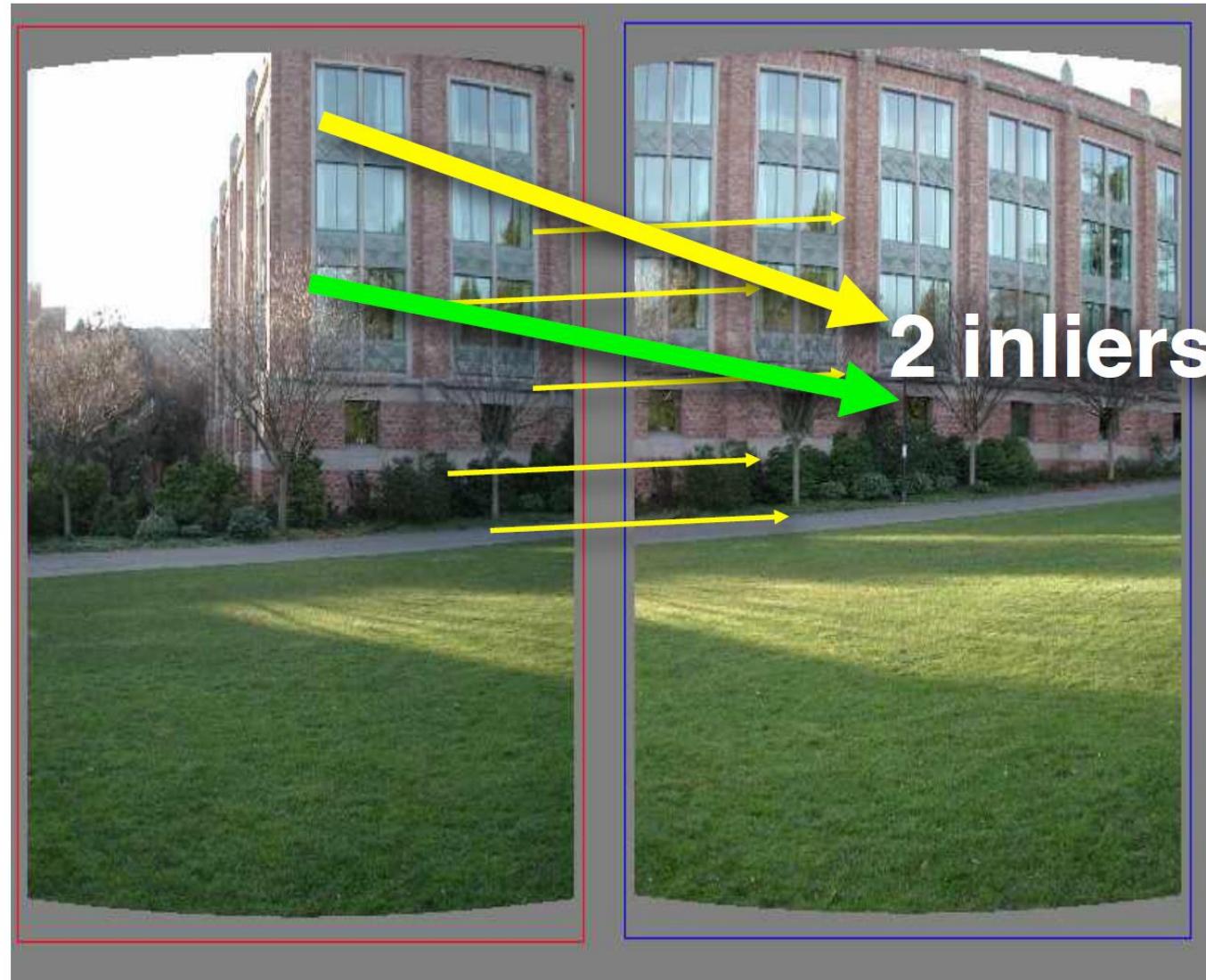
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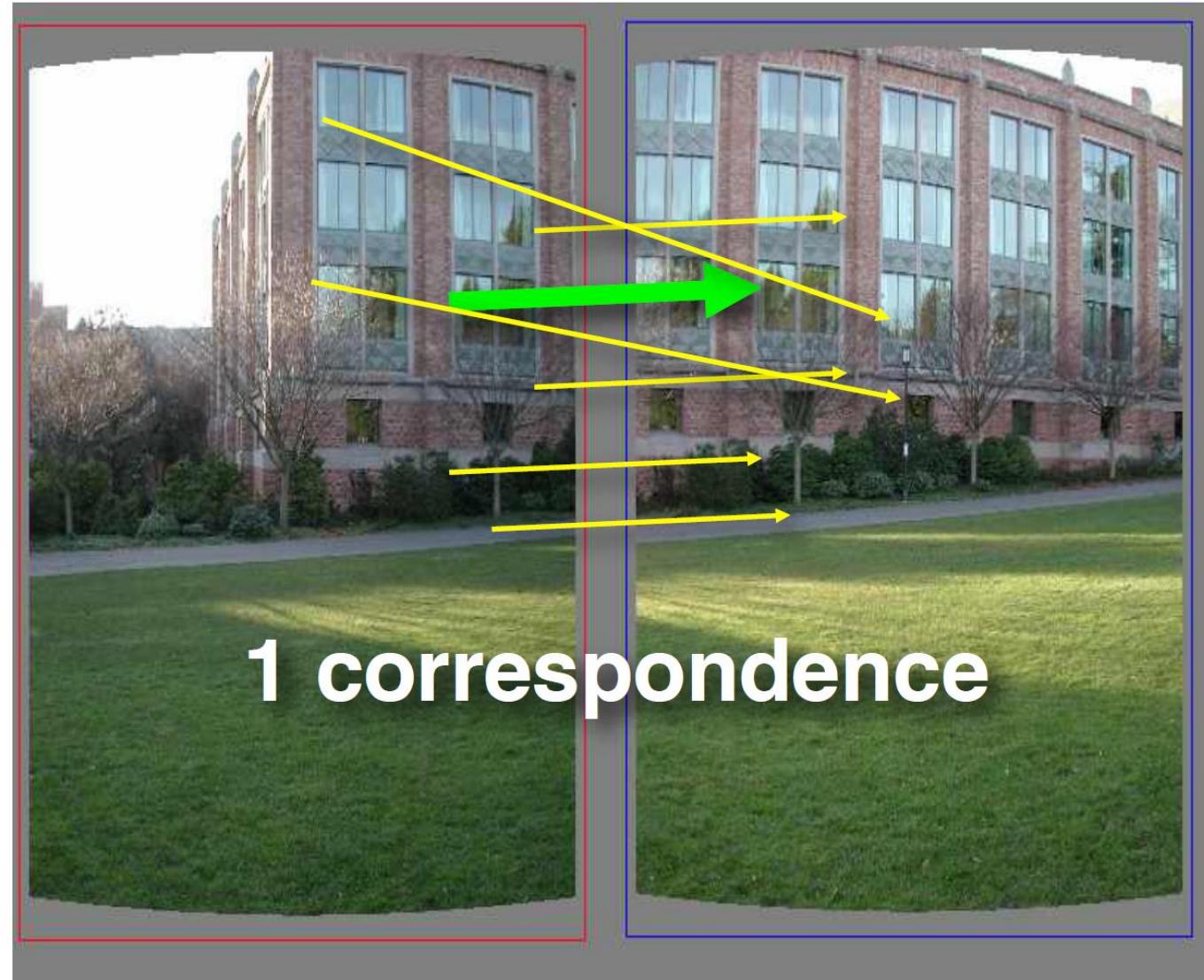
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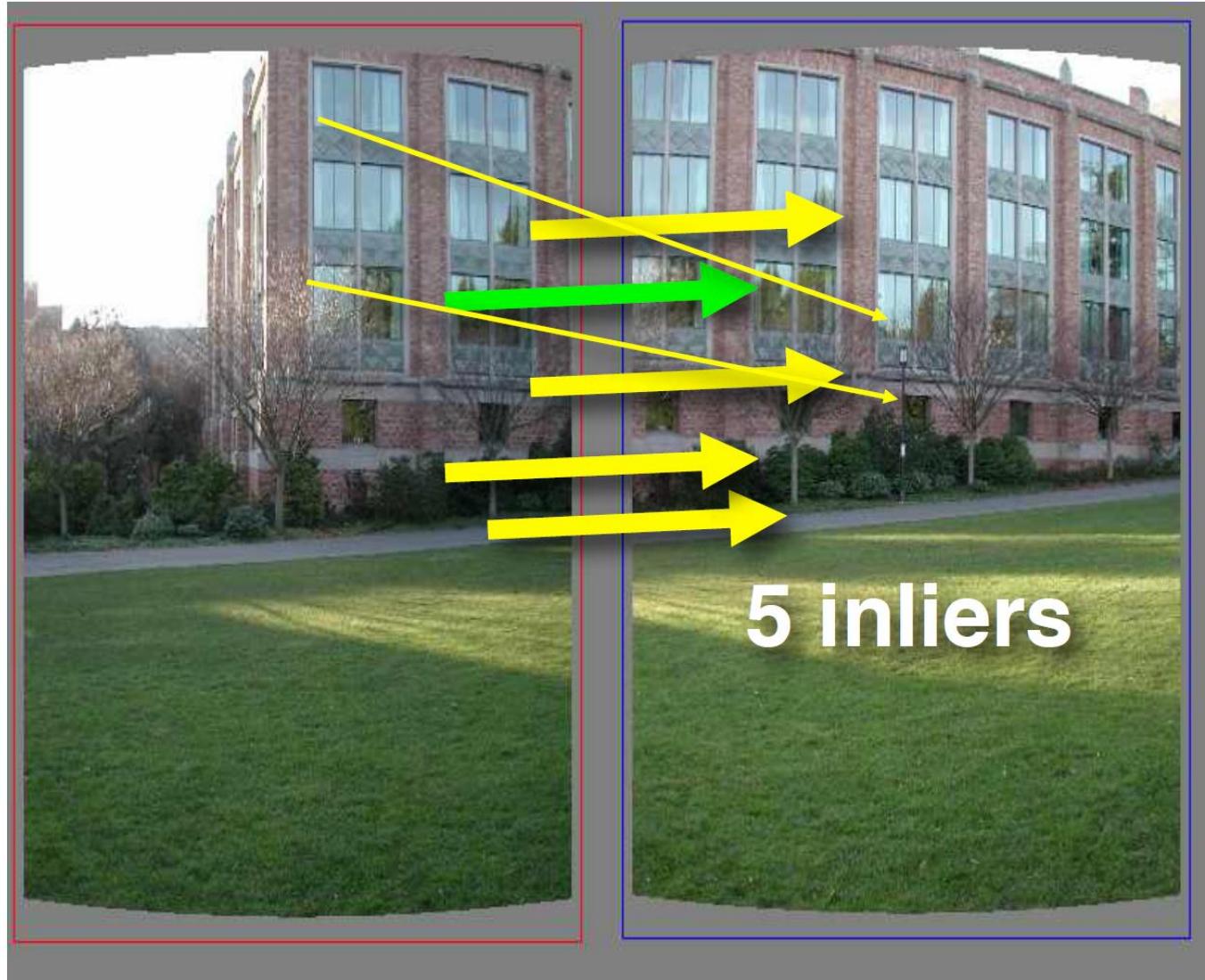
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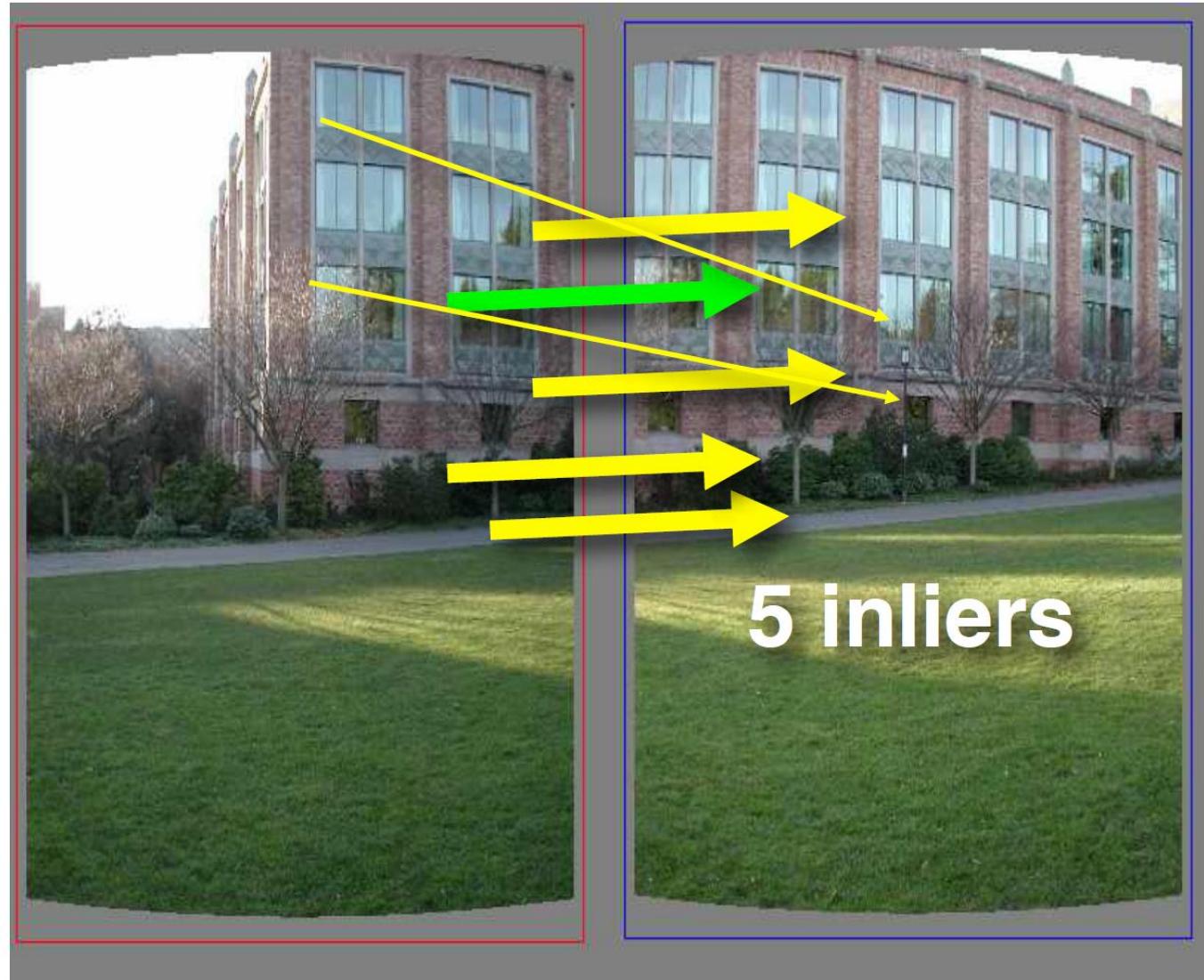
# Example

Pick one correspondence, count inliers



# Example

Pick the model with the **highest** number of **inliers**!



# Estimating homography using RANSAC

- RANSAC loop

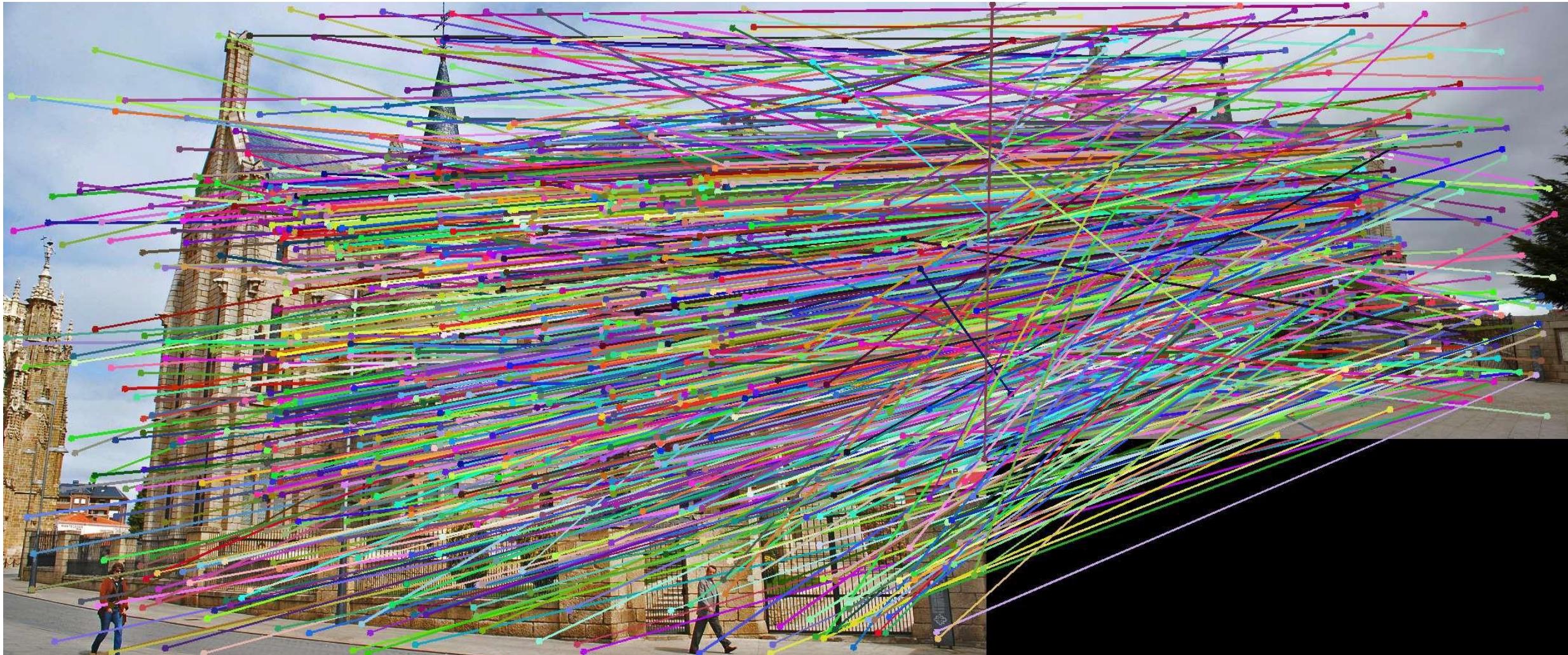
1. Get 4 point correspondences (randomly)
2. Compute  $H$  using DLT
3. Count inliers ( $Hp = p'$ )
4. Keep  $H$  if largest number of inliers

- Recompute  $H$  using all inliers

# Estimating essential matrix using RANSAC

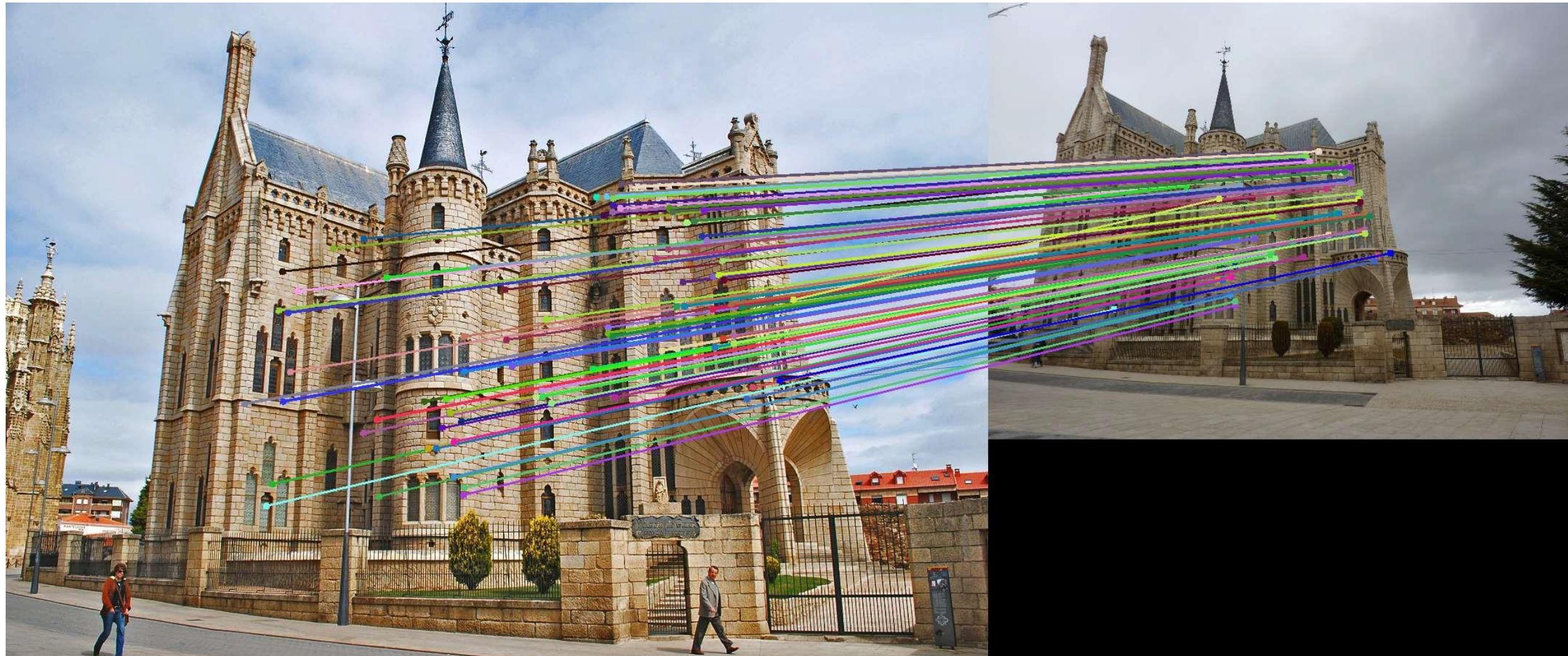
- RANSAC loop
  - 1. Get 8 point correspondences (randomly)
  - 2. Compute E using 8-point algorithm
  - 3. Count inliers ( $p^T E p' = 0$ )
  - 4. Keep E if largest number of inliers
- Recompute E using all inliers

# SIFT



VLFeat's 800 most confident matches among 10,000+ local features

# RANSAC



# RANSAC conclusions

## Good

- Robust to outliers
- Applicable to large number of models (or objective functions)
- Parameters are easy to choose

## Bad

- Computational time grows quickly (exponentially) with outlier percentage and number of parameters in the model
- Not good for getting multiple fits

## Common applications

- Estimating fundamental matrix (relating two views)
- Computing a homography (e.g., image stitching)