

Computer Vision

(Summer Semester 2020)

Lecture 6, Part 2

Camera Calibration

Camera Calibration

- Transforms
 - **Least Squares Fitting**
 - **Least Squares Extrinsic and Intrinsic Parameter Fitting**
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- Note: The core of these slides stems from the class CSCI 1430: “Introduction to Computer Vision” by James Tompkin, Fall 2017, Brown University.

Recap: Two Common Optimization Problems

Problem statement

$$\text{minimize } \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|^2$$

least squares solution to $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$

Solution

$$\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A} \setminus \mathbf{b} \quad (\text{matlab})$$

Problem statement

$$\text{minimize } \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} \quad \text{s.t. } \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1$$

$$\text{minimize } \frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}}$$

non - trivial lsq solution to $\mathbf{Ax} = 0$

Solution

$$[\mathbf{v}, \lambda] = \text{eig}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})$$

$$\lambda_1 < \lambda_{2..n} : \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{v}_1$$

Least squares (global) optimization

Good

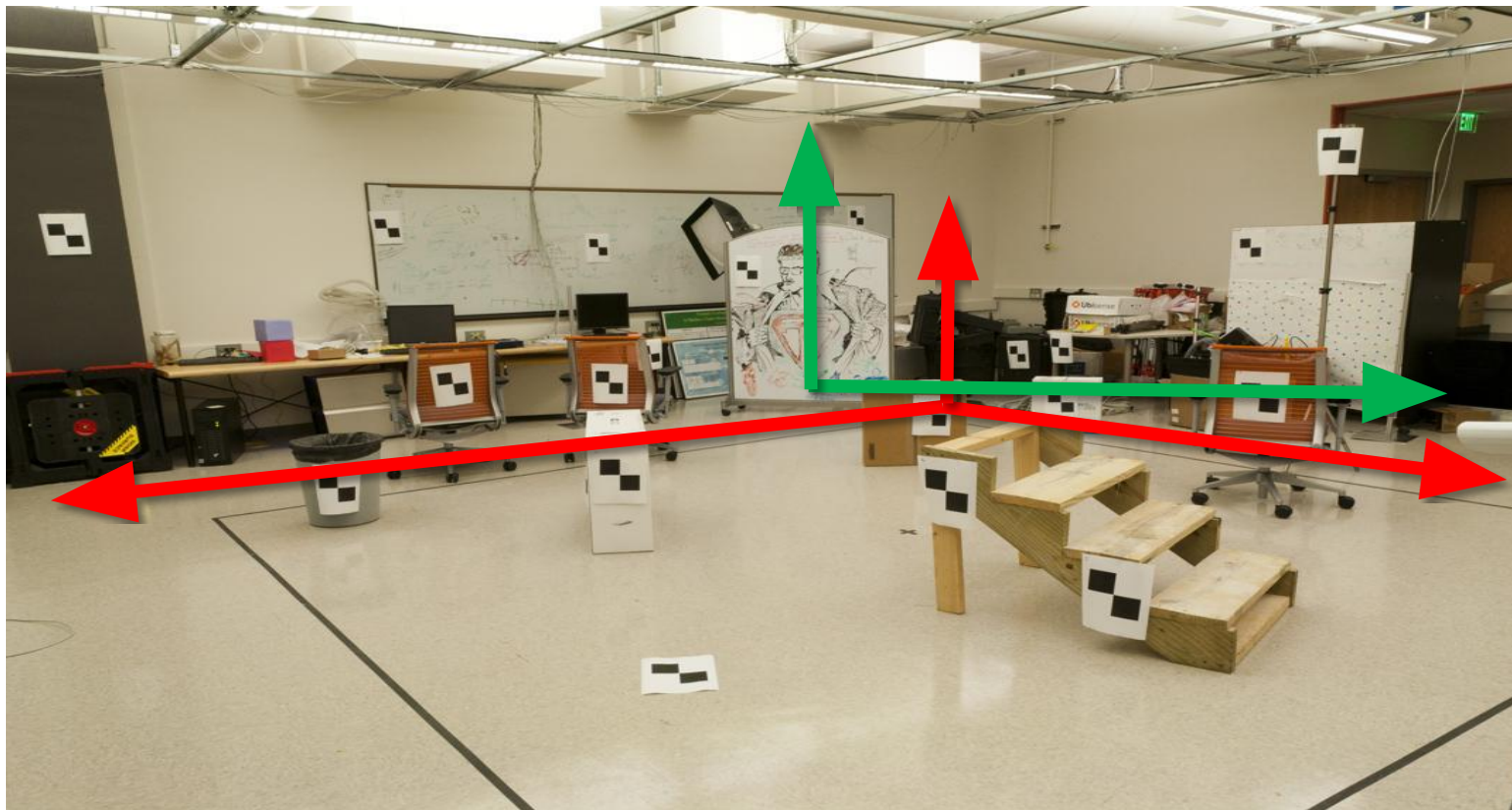
- Clearly specified objective
- Optimization is easy

Bad

- Sensitive to outliers
 - Bad matches, extra points
- Doesn't allow you to get multiple good fits
 - Detecting multiple objects, lines, etc.

Iterative solutions are better

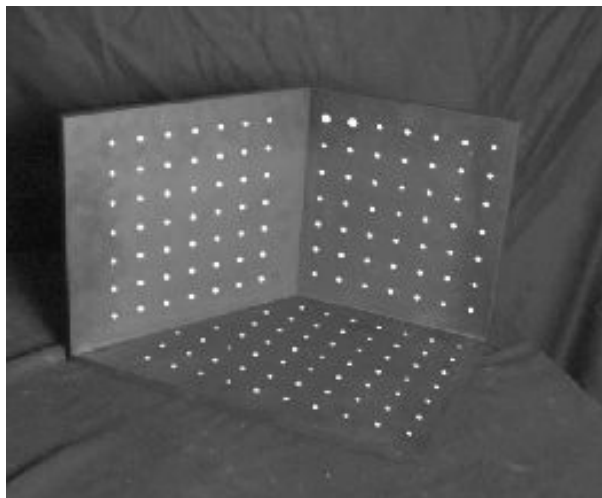
World vs Camera coordinates



Calibrating the Camera

Use an scene with known geometry

- Correspond image points to 3d points
- Get least squares solution (or non-linear solution)



Known 2d image
coords



Known 3d world
locations



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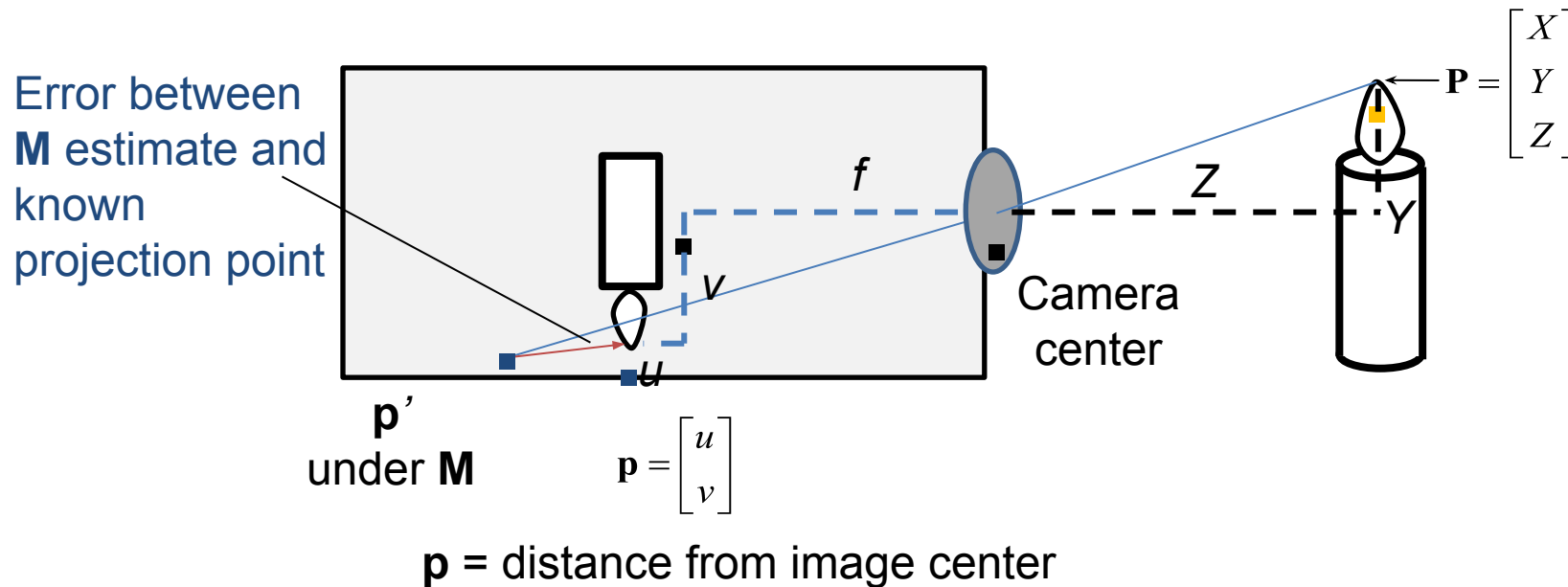


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What is least squares doing?

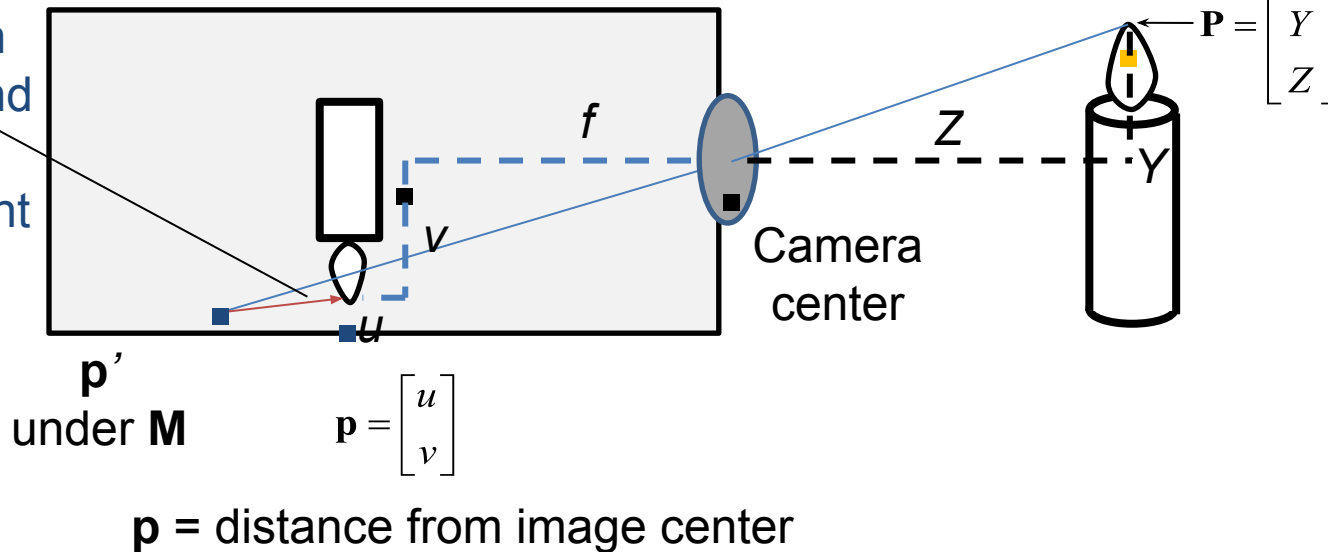
- Given 3D point evidence, find best \mathbf{M} which minimizes error between estimate (\mathbf{p}') and known corresponding 2D points (\mathbf{p}).



What is least squares doing?

- Best \mathbf{M} occurs when $\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{p}$, or when $\mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{p} = 0$
- Form these equations from all point evidence
- Solve for model via closed-form regression

Error between
 \mathbf{M} estimate and
known
projection point



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Known 3d
locations

First, work out
where X,Y,Z
projects to under
candidate **M**.

$$su = m_{11}X + m_{12}Y + m_{13}Z + m_{14}$$

$$sv = m_{21}X + m_{22}Y + m_{23}Z + m_{24}$$

$$s = m_{31}X + m_{32}Y + m_{33}Z + m_{34}$$

Two equations
per 3D point
correspondence

$$u = \frac{m_{11}X + m_{12}Y + m_{13}Z + m_{14}}{m_{31}X + m_{32}Y + m_{33}Z + m_{34}}$$

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Known 3d
locations

Next, rearrange into form
where all **M** coefficients are
individually stated in terms
of X,Y,Z,u,v.

-> Allows us to form lsq
matrix.

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$$(m_{31}X + m_{32}Y + m_{33}Z + m_{34})u = m_{11}X + m_{12}Y + m_{13}Z + m_{14}$$

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$$0 = m_{11}X + m_{12}Y + m_{13}Z + m_{14} - m_{31}uX - m_{32}uY - m_{33}uZ - m_{34}u$$

$$0 = m_{21}X + m_{22}Y + m_{23}Z + m_{24} - m_{31}vX - m_{32}vY - m_{33}vZ - m_{34}v$$

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Known 3d
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- Finally, solve for m's entries using linear least squares
- Method 1 –

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$$M = A \backslash Y;$$

$$M = [M; 1];$$

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- Or, solve for m's entries using total linear least-squares.
- Method 2 –

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 & Y_1 & Z_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -u_1 X_1 & -u_1 Y_1 & -u_1 Z_1 & -u_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & X_1 & Y_1 & Z_1 & 1 & -v_1 X_1 & -v_1 Y_1 & -v_1 Z_1 & -v_1 \\ & & & & & & & & & & & \\ X_n & Y_n & Z_n & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -u_n X_n & -u_n Y_n & -u_n Z_n & -u_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & X_n & Y_n & Z_n & 1 & -v_n X_n & -v_n Y_n & -v_n Z_n & -v_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} \\ m_{12} \\ m_{13} \\ m_{14} \\ m_{21} \\ m_{22} \\ m_{23} \\ m_{24} \\ m_{31} \\ m_{32} \\ m_{33} \\ m_{34} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \square \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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1st point

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(u_1, v_1)

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Projection error defined by two equations – one for u and one for v

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 312.747 & 309.140 & 30.086 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -880 \times 312.747 & -880 \times 309.140 & -880 \times 30.086 & -880 \\
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 & & & & & & \square & & & & & \\
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 \end{bmatrix}$$

How many points do I need to fit the model?

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

Degrees of freedom?

$$w \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & s & u_0 \\ 0 & \beta & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & t_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & t_y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & t_z \end{bmatrix}}_{6} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Think 3:
Rotation around x
Rotation around y
Rotation around z

How many points do I need to fit the model?

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Degrees of freedom?

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- **M** is 3x4, so 12 unknowns, but projective scale ambiguity – 11 deg. freedom.
One equation per unknown -> 5 1/2 point correspondences determines a solution (e.g., either u or v).
- More than 5 1/2 point correspondences -> overdetermined, many solutions to **M**.

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- Least squares is finding the solution that best satisfies the overdetermined system.
- Why use more than 6? Robustness to error in feature points.

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Known 3d
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- Method 1 – **$\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{b}$** form - $\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{p}$
- To set scale, we artificially set m_{34} to 1

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- Method 2 – **$Ax=0$** form- $p' - p = 0$
- SVD – singular value decomposition
- Computes pseudo-inverse

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Calibration with linear method

Advantages

- Easy to formulate and solve
- Provides initialization for non-linear methods

Disadvantages

- Doesn't directly give you camera parameters
- Doesn't model radial distortion
- Can't impose constraints, such as known focal length

Non-linear methods are preferred

- Define error as difference between projected points and measured points
- Minimize error using Newton's method or other non-linear optimization

Can we factorize M back to $K [R \mid T]$?

- Yes!
- We can directly solve for the individual entries of $K [R \mid T]$.

Can we factorize M back to $K [R \mid T]$?

- Yes: there is a direct solution
- We can also use RQ factorization (not QR)
 - R in RQ is not rotation matrix R ; crossed names!
- R (right diagonal) is K
- Q (orthogonal basis) is R .
- T , the last column of $[R \mid T]$, is $\text{inv}(K) * \text{last column of } M$.
 - Need post-processing for valid matrices, see [Dissecting the Camera Matrix, Part 1: Extrinsic/Intrinsic Decomposition](#) ←

Recovering the camera center

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} su \\ sv \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix}}_Q \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * \\ * \\ * \end{bmatrix}}_{m_4} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is not the camera center C.

It is $-\mathbf{RC}$, as the point is rotated before t_x , t_y , and t_z are added

So we need $-\mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{m}_4$ to get C.

This is $\mathbf{t} \times \mathbf{K}$
So $\mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{m}_4$ is \mathbf{t}

\mathbf{Q} is $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{R}$.
So we just need $-\mathbf{Q}^{-1} \mathbf{m}_4$