# Lecture 6 Stereo Systems Multi-view geometry



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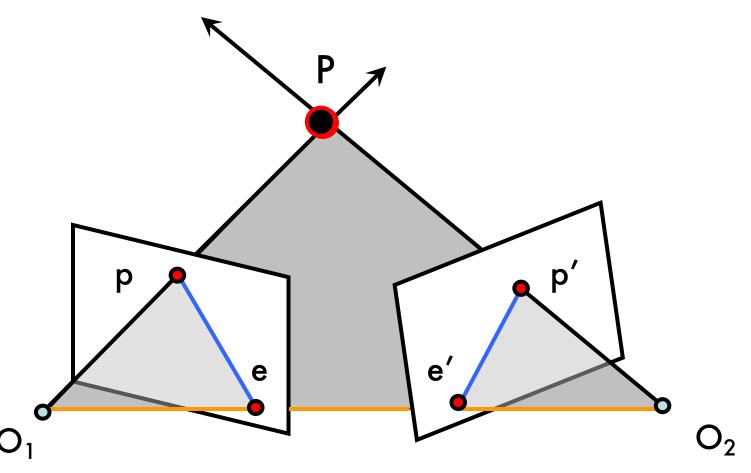
**Reading:** [AZ] Chapter: 9 "Epip. Geom. and the Fundam. Matrix Transf."

[AZ] Chapter: 18 "N view computational methods"

[FP] Chapters: 7 "Stereopsis"

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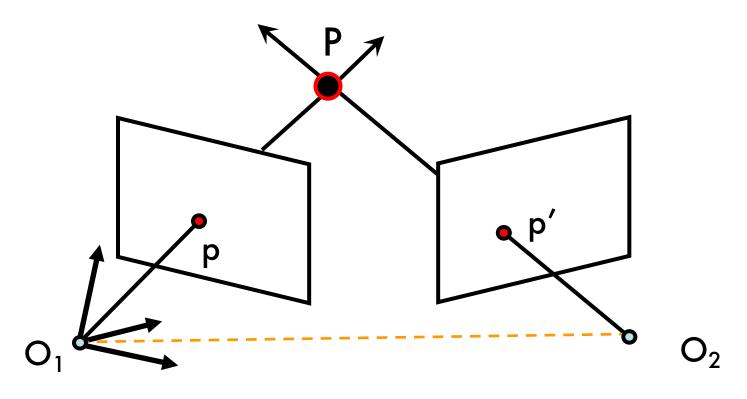
# Epipolar geometry



- Epipolar Plane
- Baseline
- Epipolar Lines

- Epipoles e, e'
  - = intersections of baseline with image planes
  - = projections of the other camera center

## **Epipolar Constraint**



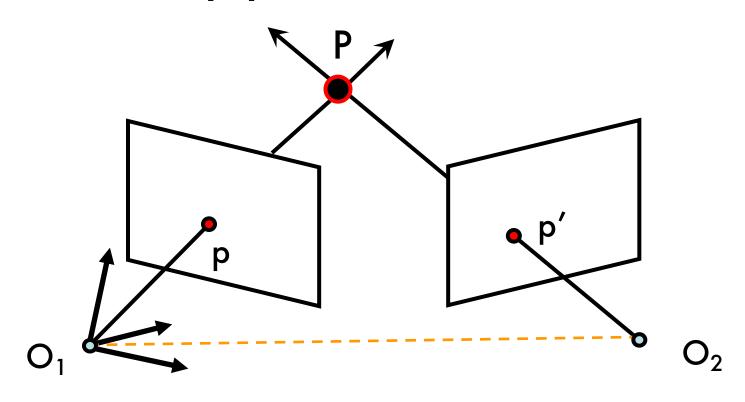
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#### E = Essential Matrix

(Longuet-Higgins, 1981)

$$E = [T_{\times}] \cdot R$$

## **Epipolar Constraint**

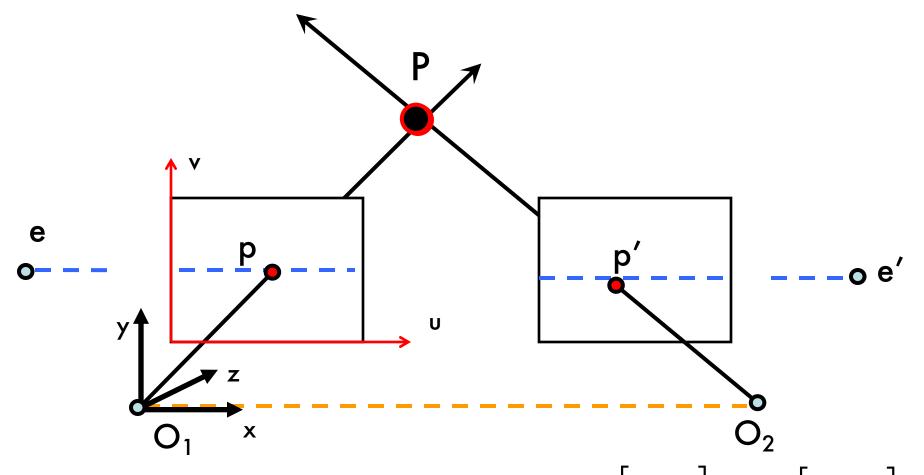


$$p^T F p' = 0$$

$$F = K^{-T} \cdot [T_{\times}] \cdot R K'^{-1}$$

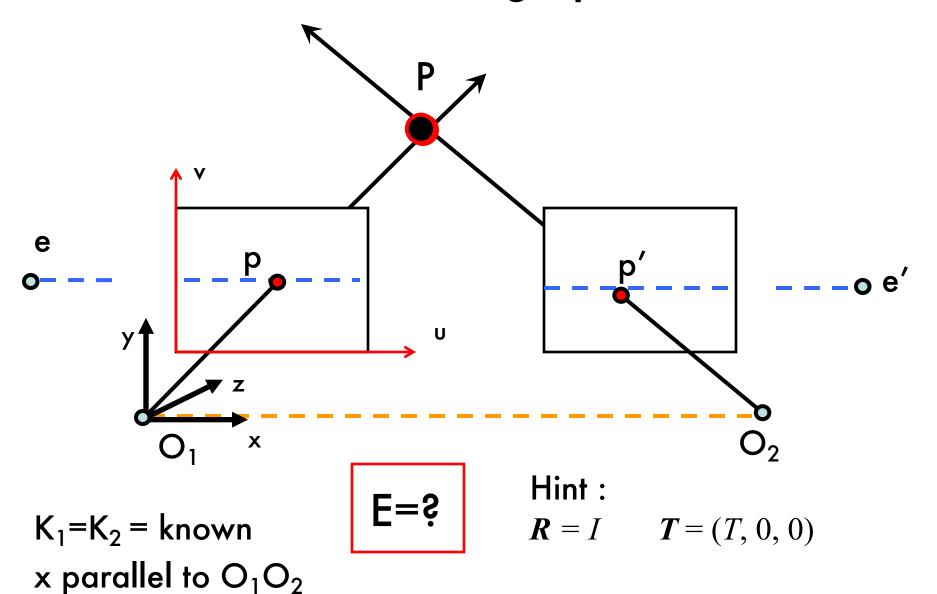
#### F = Fundamental Matrix

(Faugeras and Luong, 1992)



- · Epipolar lines are horizontal
- Epipoles go to infinity
- v-coordinates are equal

$$p = \begin{bmatrix} p_u \\ p_v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad p' = \begin{bmatrix} p'_u \\ p_v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



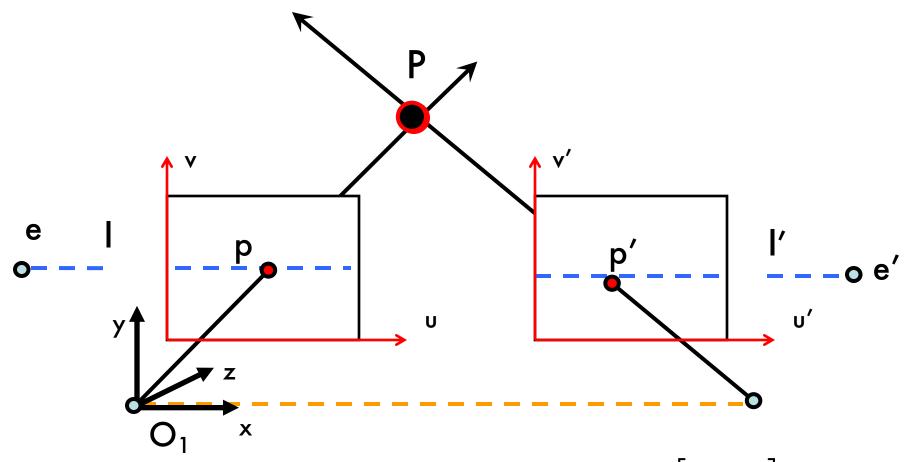
### Essential matrix for parallel images

$$\mathbf{E} = \left[ \mathbf{T}_{\times} \right] \cdot \mathbf{R}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -T_z & T_y \\ T_z & 0 & -T_x \\ -T_y & T_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -T \\ 0 & T & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{T} = [T \ 0 \ 0]$$

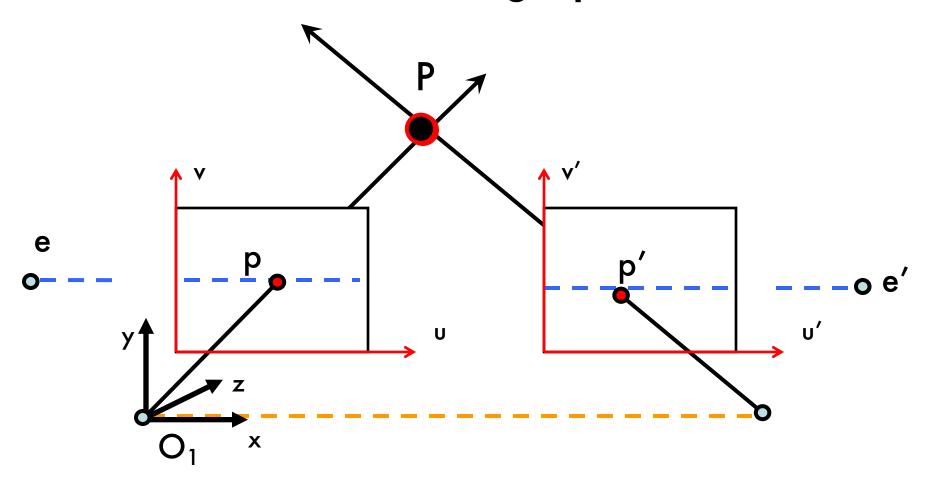
$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}$$



What are the directions of epipolar lines?

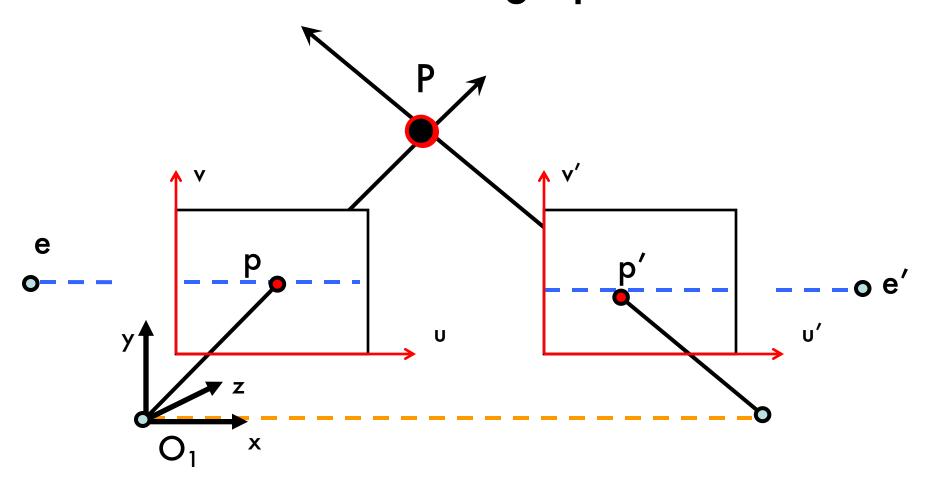
$$l = E p' = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & | & u' & | & 0 & | \\ 0 & 0 & -T & | & v' & | & = | & -T & | \\ 0 & T & 0 & | & 1 & | & T v' \end{vmatrix}$$
 horizontal!

$$\begin{bmatrix} u' \\ v' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -T \\ Tv \end{bmatrix}$$

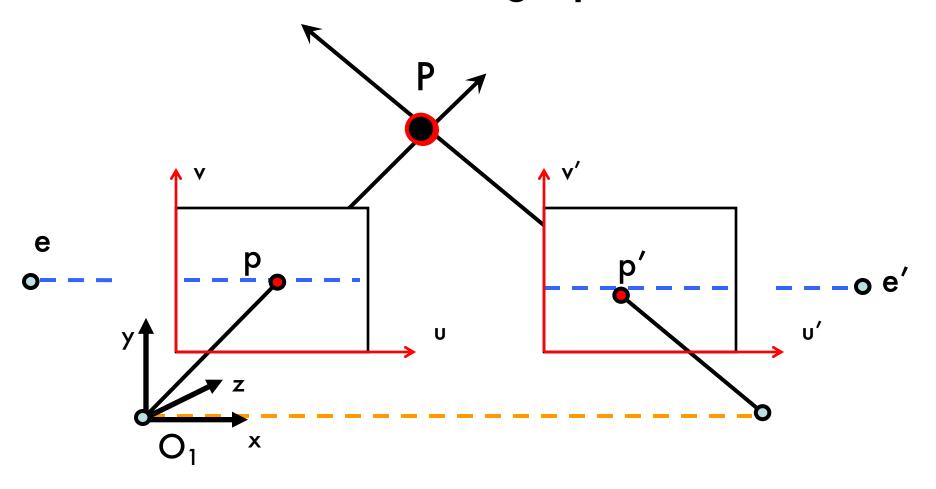


How are p and p' related?

$$p^T \cdot E p' = 0$$

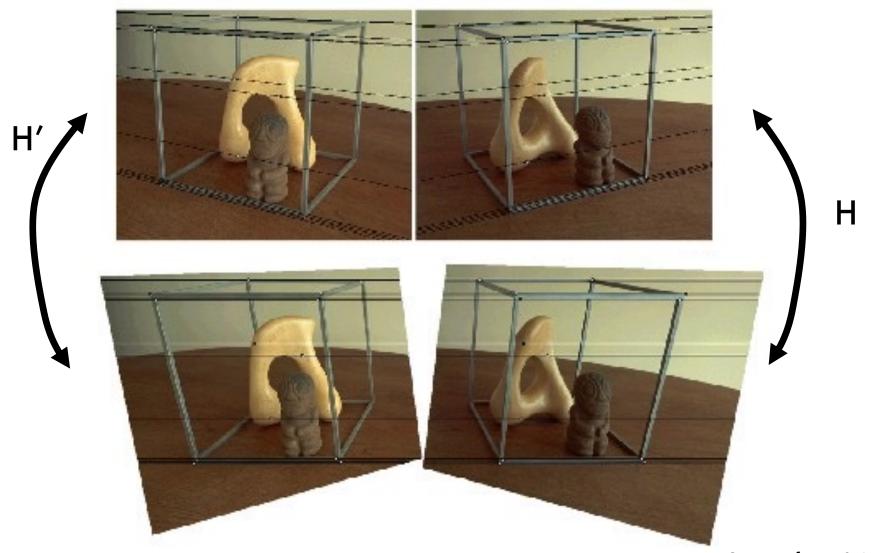


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$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} u & v & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -T \\ 0 & T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u' \\ v' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} u & v & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -T \\ Tv' \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow Tv = Tv'$$
 
$$\Rightarrow v = v'$$

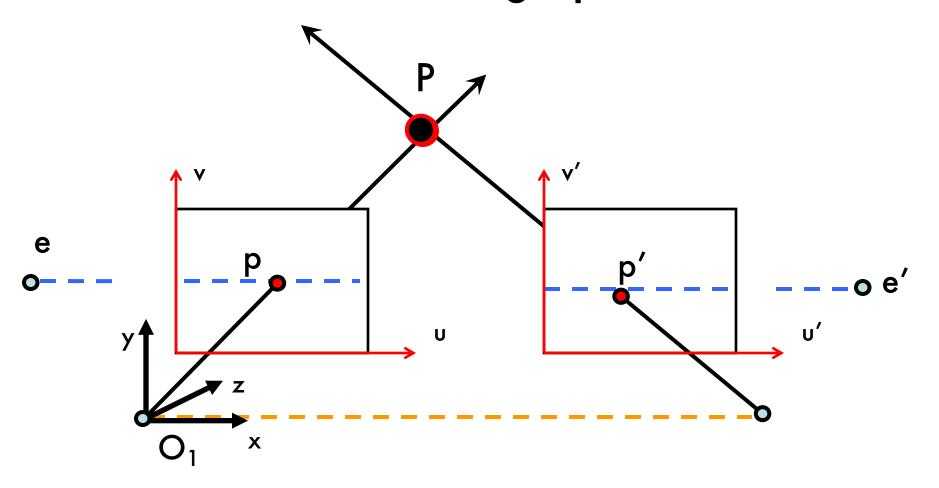


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Courtesy figure S. Lazebnik



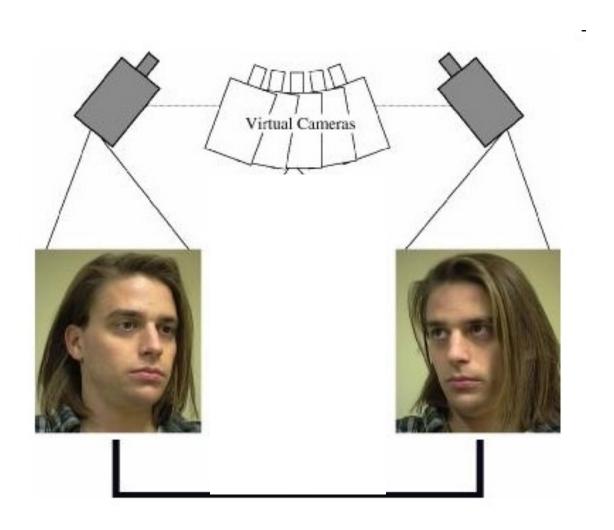
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Why it is useful?

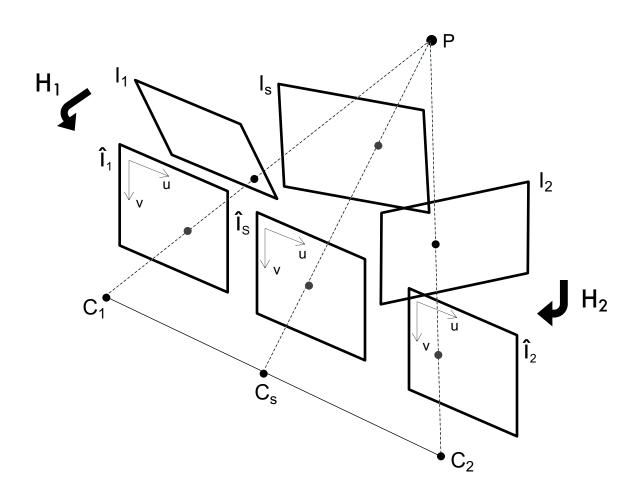
- Epipolar constraint → v = v'
- New views can be synthesized by linear interpolation

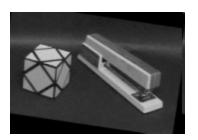
# Application: view morphing

S. M. Seitz and C. R. Dyer, Proc. SIGGRAPH 96, 1996, 21-30

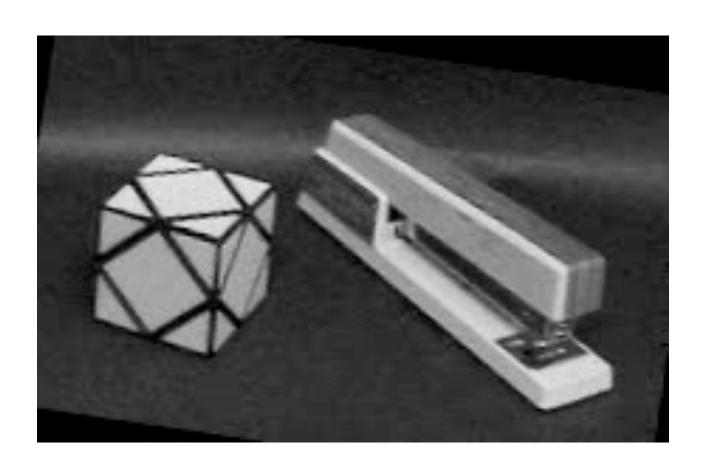


## Rectification

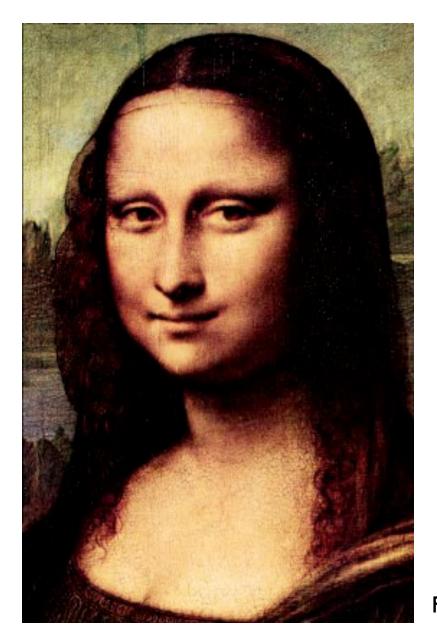








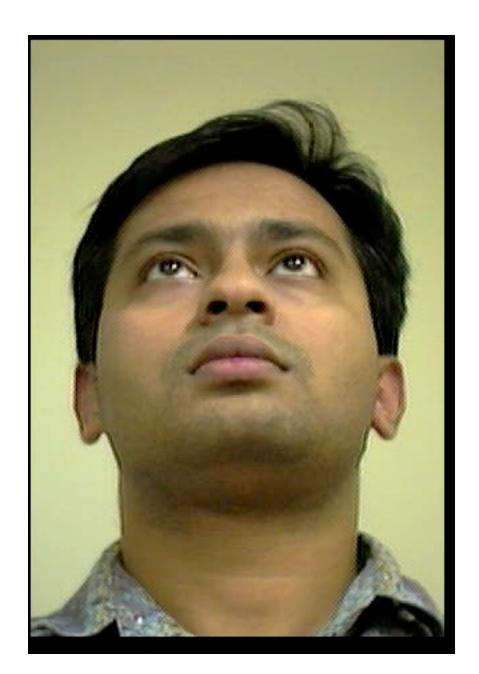






From its reflection!

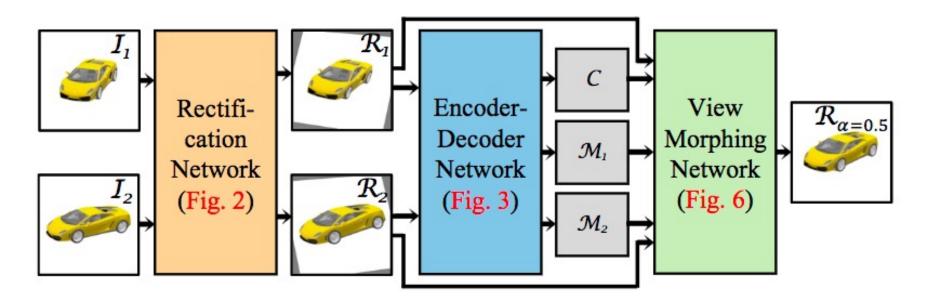






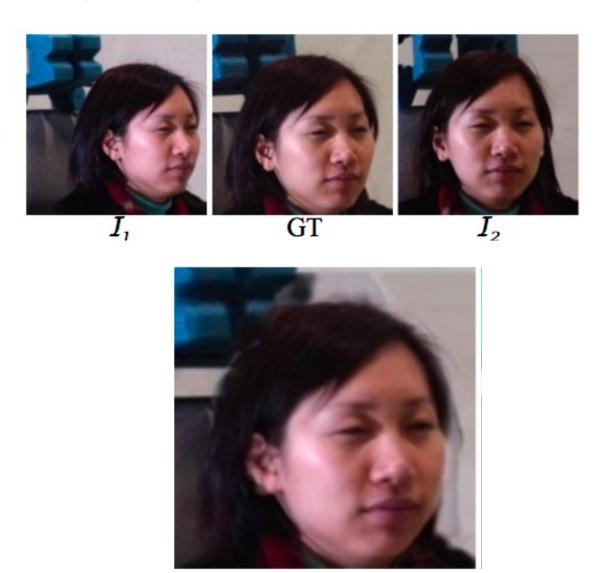
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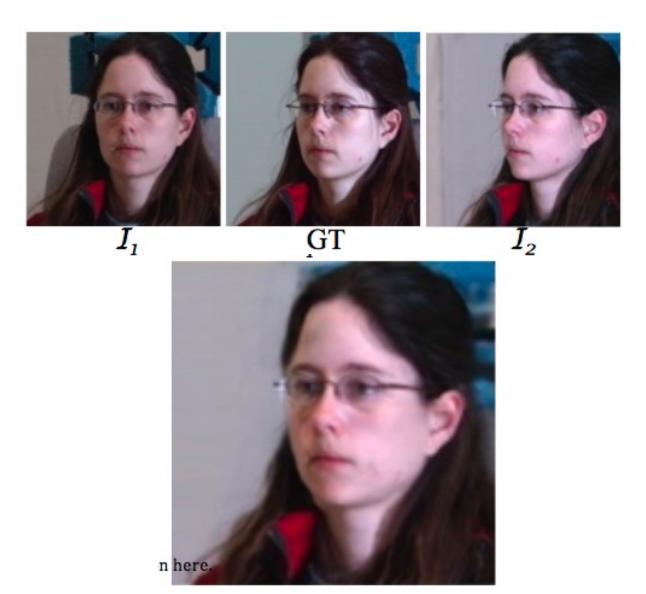
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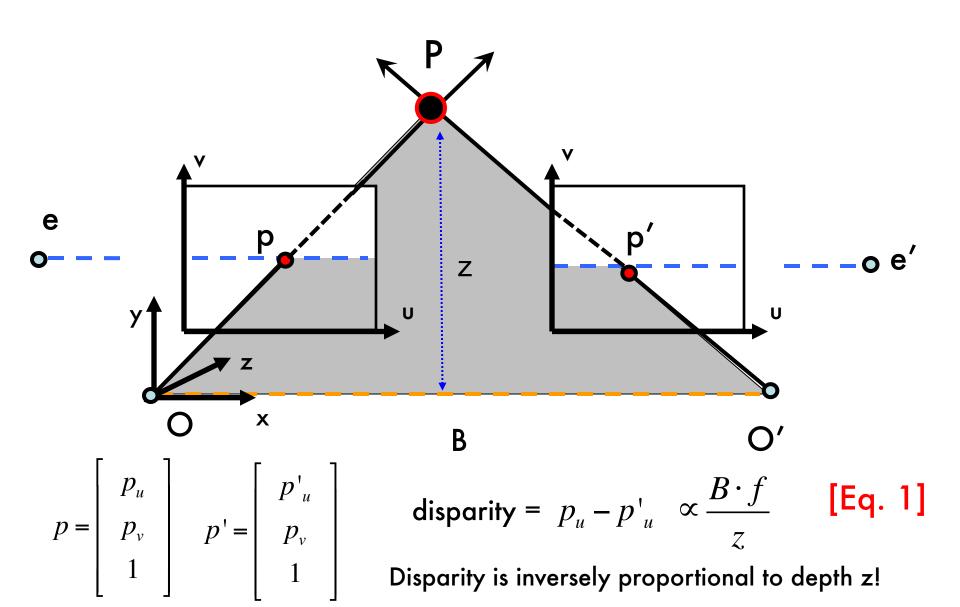
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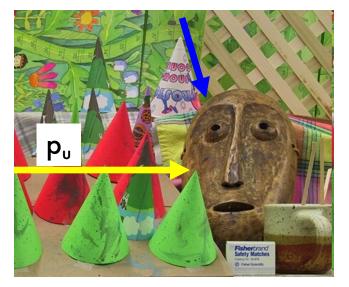
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- Makes the correspondence problem easier

## Point triangulation



## Disparity maps

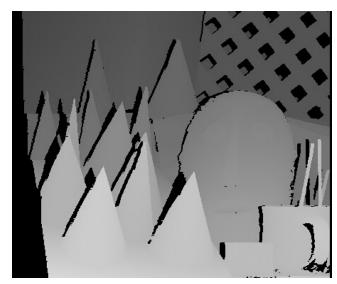
http://vision.middlebury.edu/stereo/





$$p_u - p'_u \propto \frac{B \cdot f}{z}$$
[Eq. 1]

Stereo pair



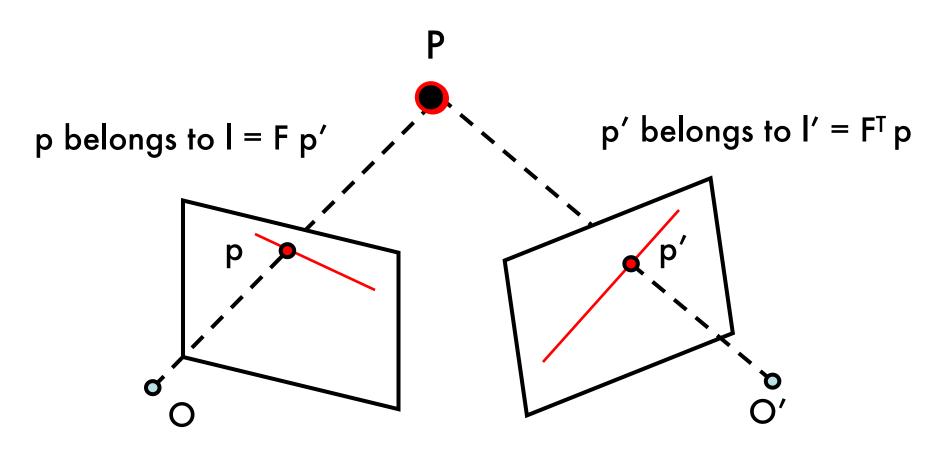
Disparity map / depth map

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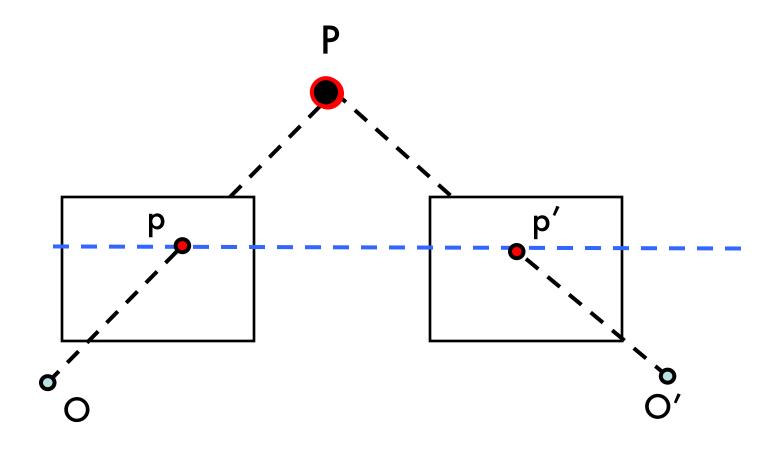
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## Correspondence problem



Given a point in 3D, discover corresponding observations in left and right images [also called binocular fusion problem]

## Correspondence problem



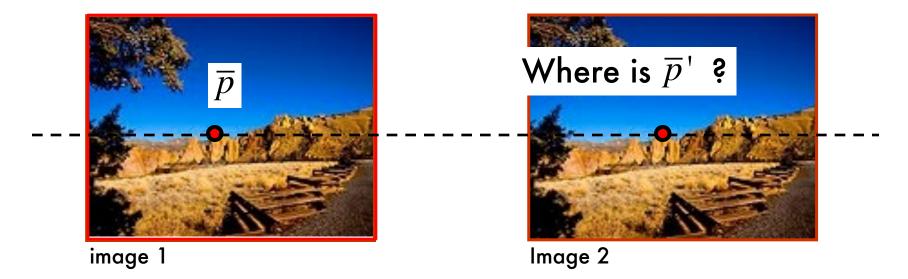
When images are rectified, this problem is much easier!

# Correspondence problem

- A Cooperative Model (Marr and Poggio, 1976)
- Correlation Methods (1970-)
- Multi-Scale Edge Matching (Marr, Poggio and Grimson, 1979-81)

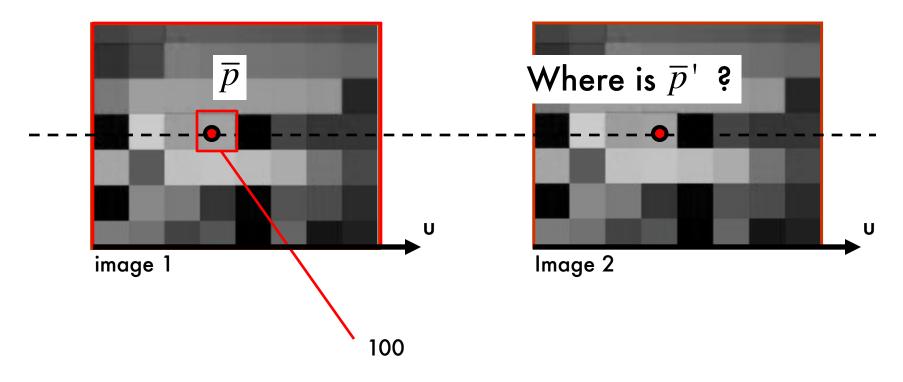
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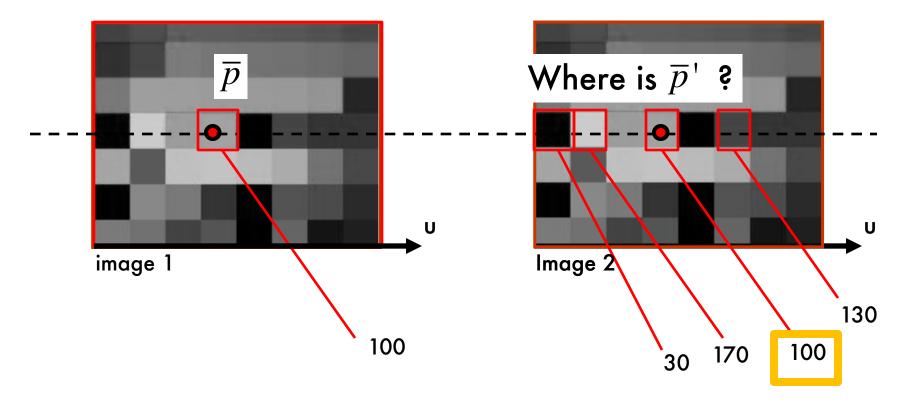
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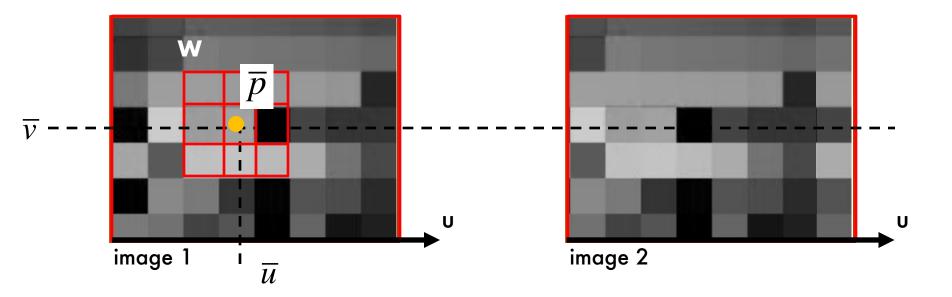
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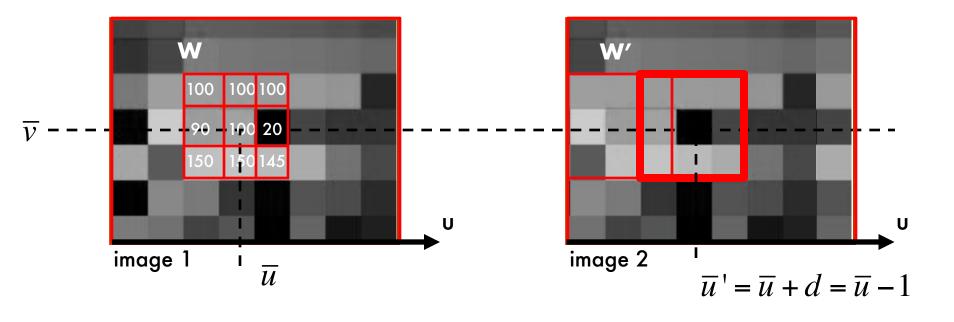
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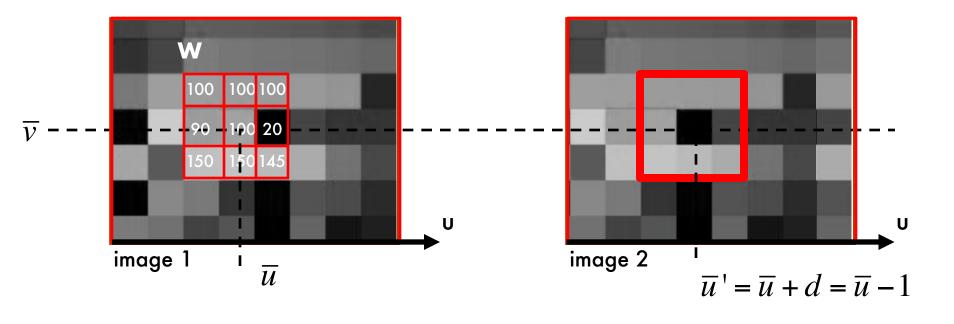


Example: **W** is a 3x3 window in red

**w** is a 9x1 vector **w** = [100, 100, 100, 90, 100, 20, 150, 150, 145]<sup>T</sup>

- Pick up a window **W** around  $\overline{p} = (\overline{u}, \overline{v})$
- Build vector w
- Slide the window **W** along  $v = \overline{V}$  in image 2 and compute **w**' (u) for each u
- Compute the dot product  $\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{w}'(\mathbf{u})$  for each  $\mathbf{u}$  and retain the max value

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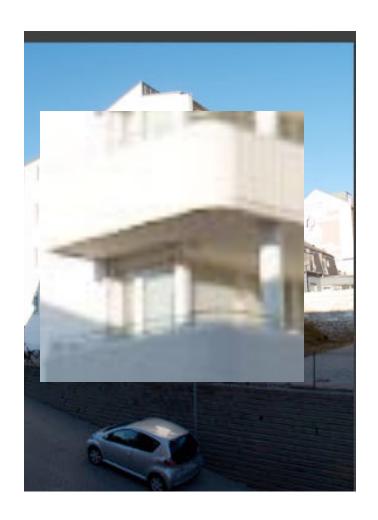
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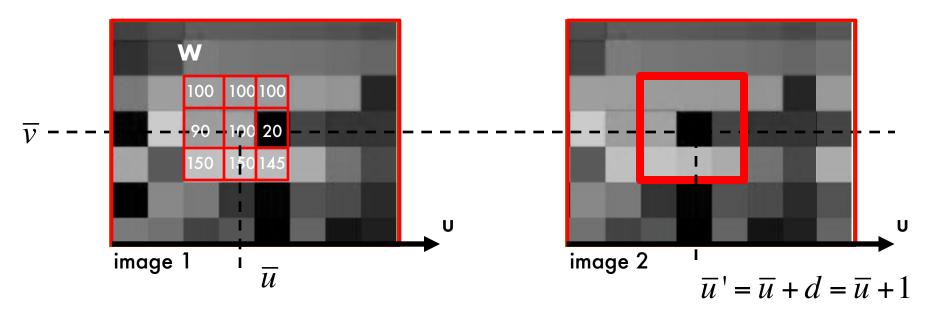
### Changes of brightness/exposure





Changes in the mean and the variance of intensity values in corresponding windows!

### Normalized cross-correlation

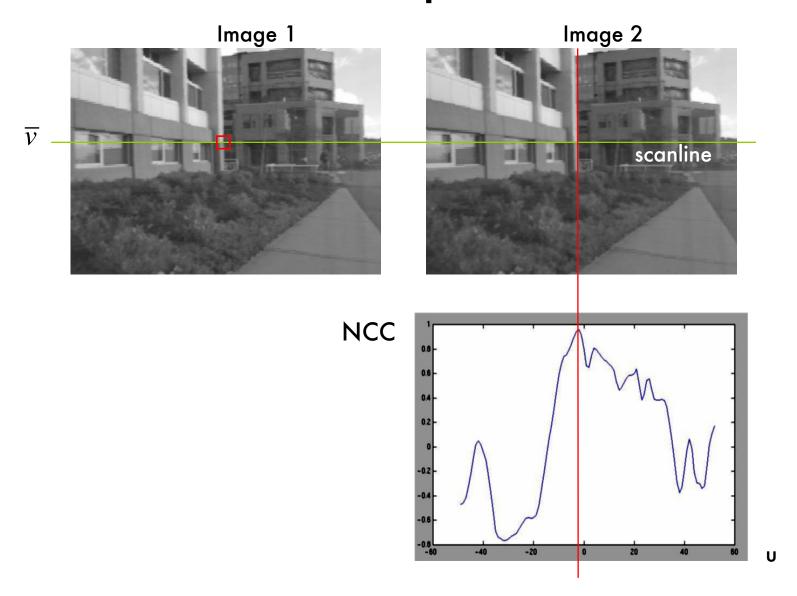


$$\frac{(w - \overline{w})^{T}(w'(u) - \overline{w}')}{\|(w - \overline{w})\| \|(w'(u) - \overline{w}')\|} \quad [Eq. 2]$$

$$\overline{W}$$
 = mean value within **W** located at  $u^{bar}$  in image 1

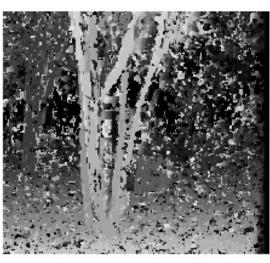
$$\overline{w}'(u) = \text{ mean value within } \mathbf{W}$$
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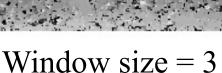
# Example

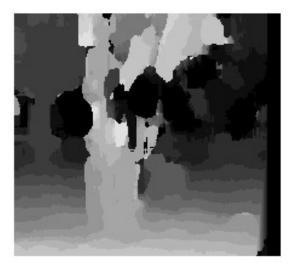


# Effect of the window's size







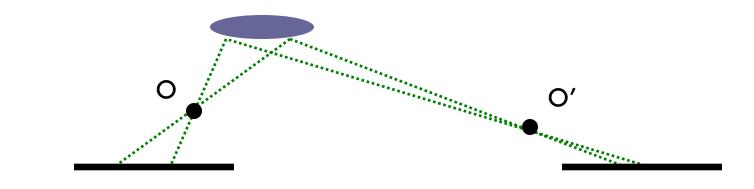


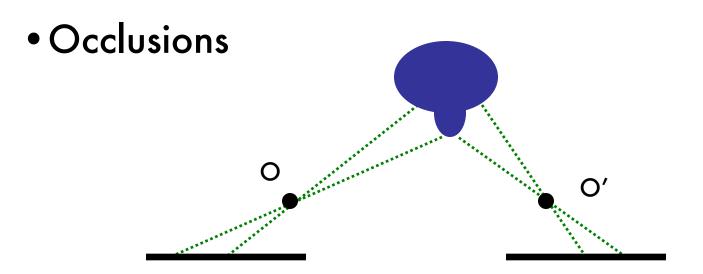
Window size = 20

- Smaller window
  - More detail
  - More noise
- Larger window
  - Smoother disparity maps
  - Less prone to noise

# Issues

Fore shortening effect



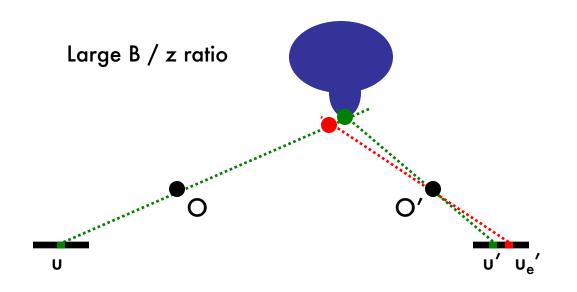


# Base line trade-off

- To reduce the effect of foreshortening and occlusions, it is desirable to have small B / z ratio!
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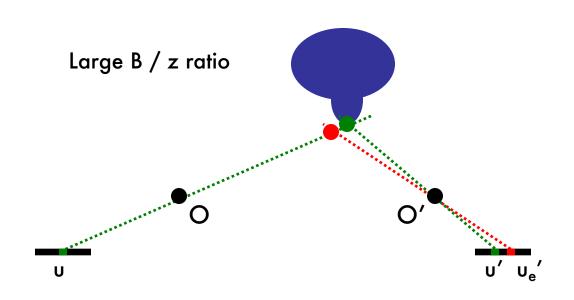
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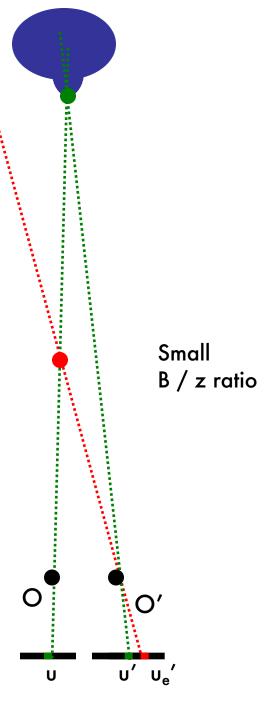
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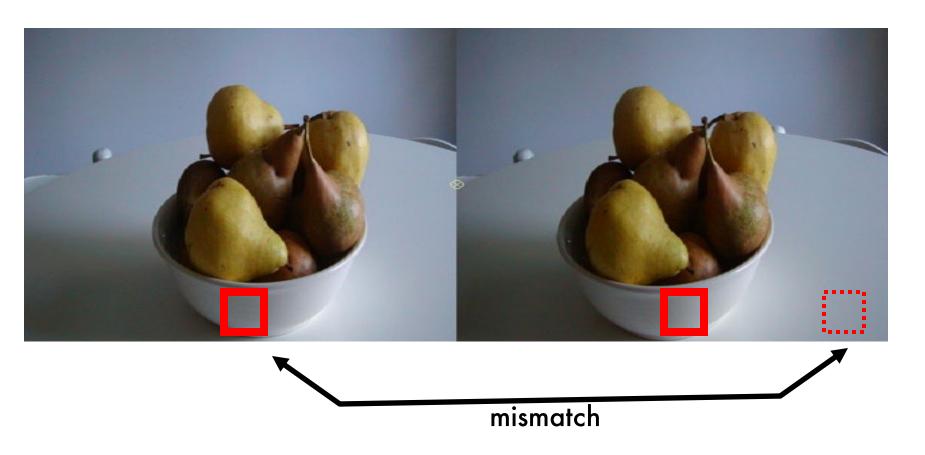
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# More issues!

• Homogeneous regions



# More issues!

# Repetitive patterns



# Correspondence problem is difficult!

- Occlusions
- Fore shortening
- Baseline trade-off
- Homogeneous regions
- Repetitive patterns

Apply non-local constraints to help enforce the correspondences

# Non-local constraints

# Uniqueness

 For any point in one image, there should be at most one matching point in the other image

# Ordering

 Corresponding points should be in the same order in both views

### Smoothness

 Disparity is typically a smooth function of x (except in occluding boundaries)

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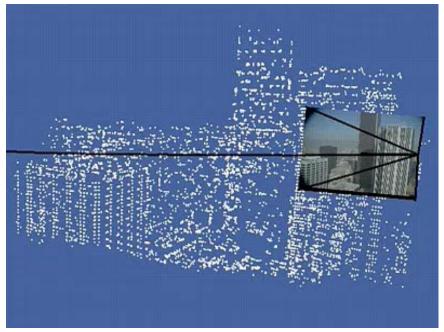


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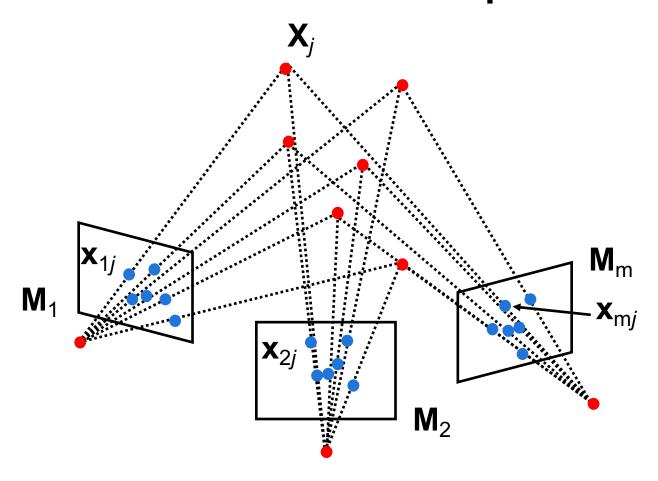
# Structure from motion problem





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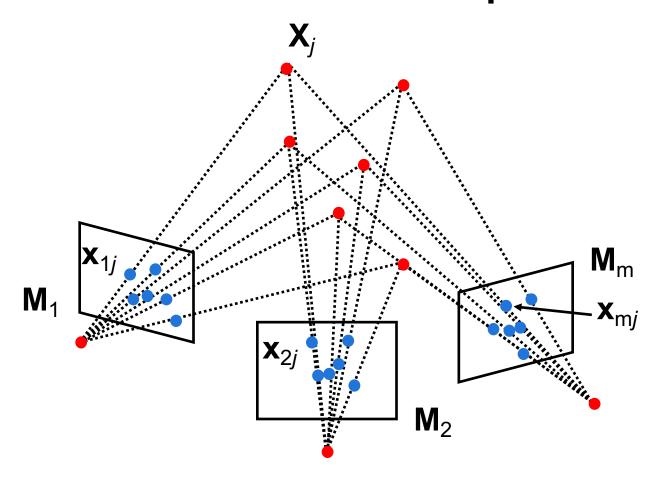
# Structure from motion problem



Given m images of n fixed 3D points

$$\bullet \mathbf{x}_{ij} = \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{X}_j$$
,  $i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n$ 

# Structure from motion problem

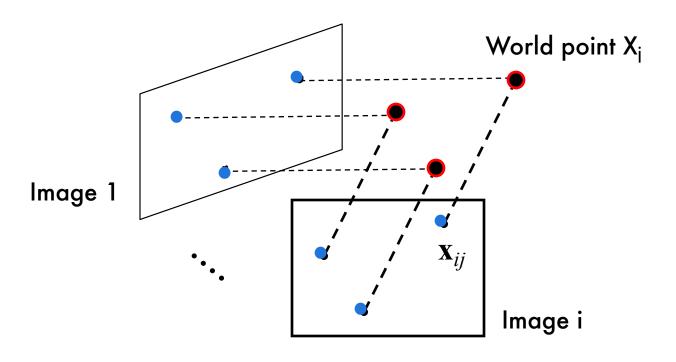


From the  $m \times n$  observations  $x_{ij}$ , estimate:

- ullet m projection matrices  $\mathbf{M}_i$
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motion structure

# Affine structure from motion (simpler problem)



From the  $m \times n$  observations  $x_{ij}$ , estimate:

- m projection matrices  $M_i$  (affine cameras)
- n 3D points  $X_i$

Perspective
$$\mathbf{X} = M \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \mathbf{m}_2 \\ \mathbf{m}_3 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{m}_2 \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{m}_3 \mathbf{X} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{v} & \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \mathbf{m}_2 \\ \mathbf{m}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x}^E = \left(\frac{\mathbf{m}_1 \mathbf{X}}{\mathbf{m}_3 \mathbf{X}}, \frac{\mathbf{m}_2 \mathbf{X}}{\mathbf{m}_3 \mathbf{X}}\right)^T$$

### **Affine**

$$\mathbf{x} = M \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \mathbf{m}_2 \\ \mathbf{m}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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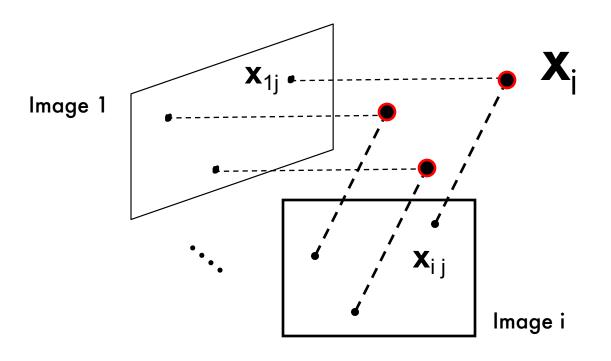
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$$\mathbf{x}^{E} = (\mathbf{m}_{1} \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{m}_{2} \mathbf{X})^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$
magnification [Eq.

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magnification
$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Eq. 3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{X}^{E} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

# Affine cameras



For the affine case (in Euclidean space)

$$X_{ij} = A_i X_j + b_i$$
 [Eq. 4]  
 $2x1$   $2x3$   $3x1$   $2x1$ 

# The Affine Structure-from-Motion Problem

Given m images of n fixed points  $X_i$  we can write

$$\mathbf{X}_{ij} = \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{X}_j + \mathbf{b}_i$$
 for  $i = 1, ..., m$  and  $j = 1, ..., n$   
N. of cameras N. of points

Problem: estimate m matrices  $A_i$ , m matrices  $b_i$  and the n positions  $\mathbf{X}_i$  from the m×n observations  $\mathbf{X}_{ij}$ .

## The Affine Structure-from-Motion Problem

# Two approaches:

- Algebraic approach (affine epipolar geometry; estimate F; cameras; points)

- Factorization method

# Next lecture

Multiple view geometry:
Affine and Perspective structure
from Motion