

# Image Formation

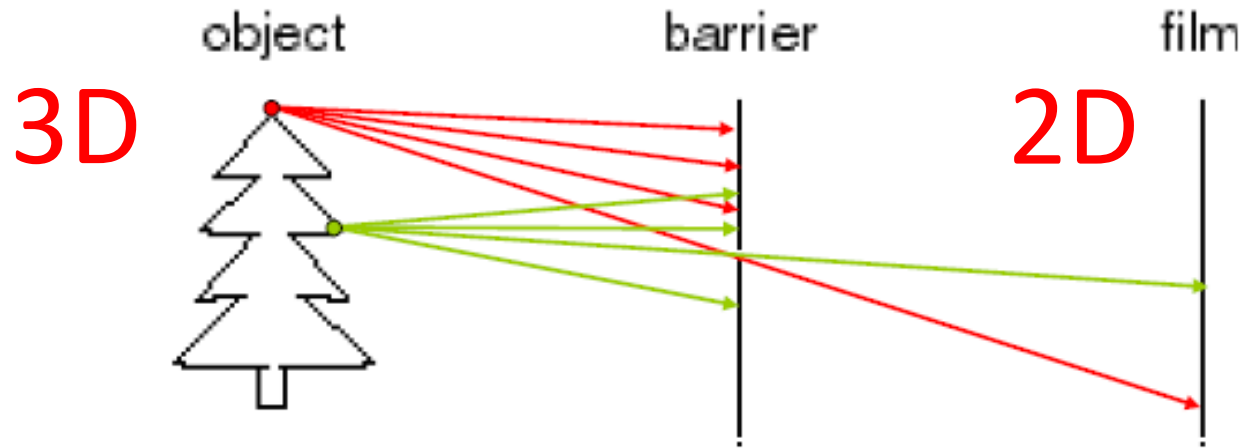
Lecture 02

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# Outline

- Pinhole camera model
  - Need for Geometric Transformations
- Geometric Transformations – 2D and 3D
  - Scaling, Rotation and Translation
  - Homogeneous Coordinates
  - Perspective Projection
- Image Formation Process

# Pinhole camera



## Pinhole model:

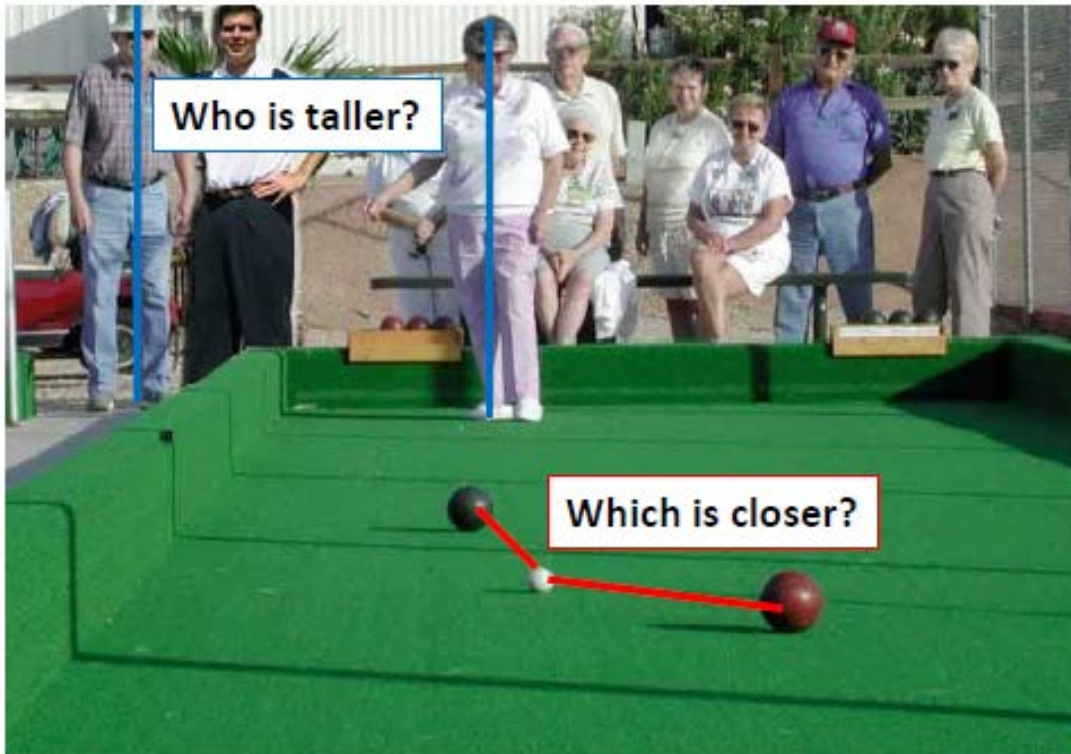
- Captures **pencil of rays** – all rays through a single point
- The point is called **Center of Projection (focal point)**
- The image is formed on the **Image Plane**

- Add a barrier to block off most of the rays
  - This reduces blurring
  - The opening known as the **aperture**

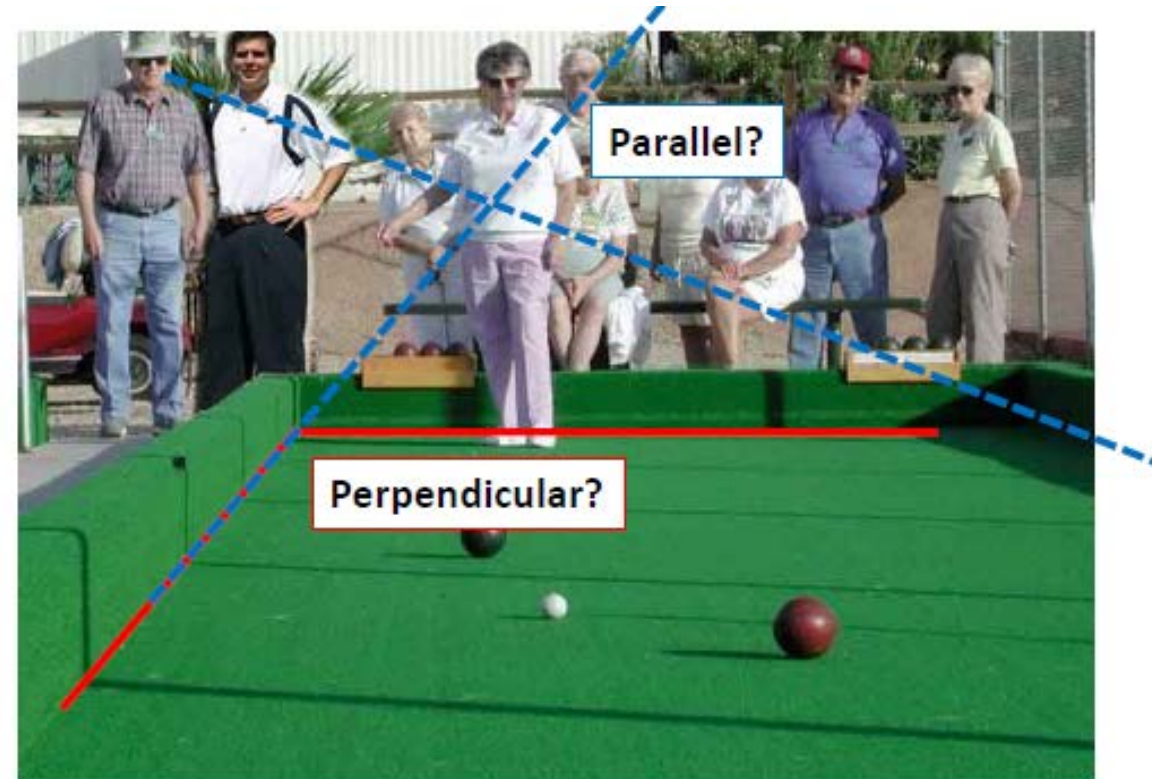
Object to Image (3D to 2D)  
transformation occurs via a  
**perspective projection**

# Information Loss in Perspective Projection

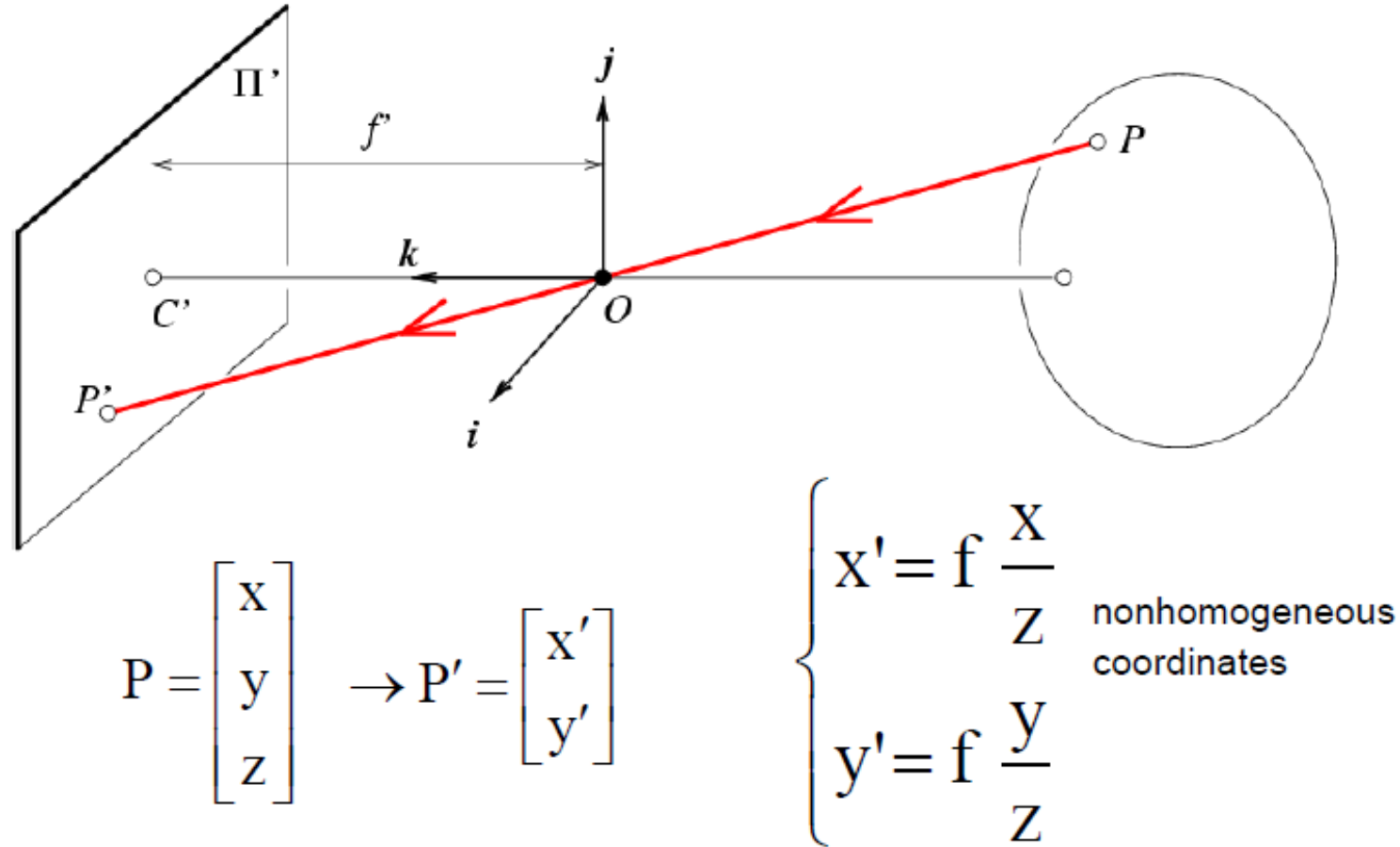
- Length and Distances



- Angles

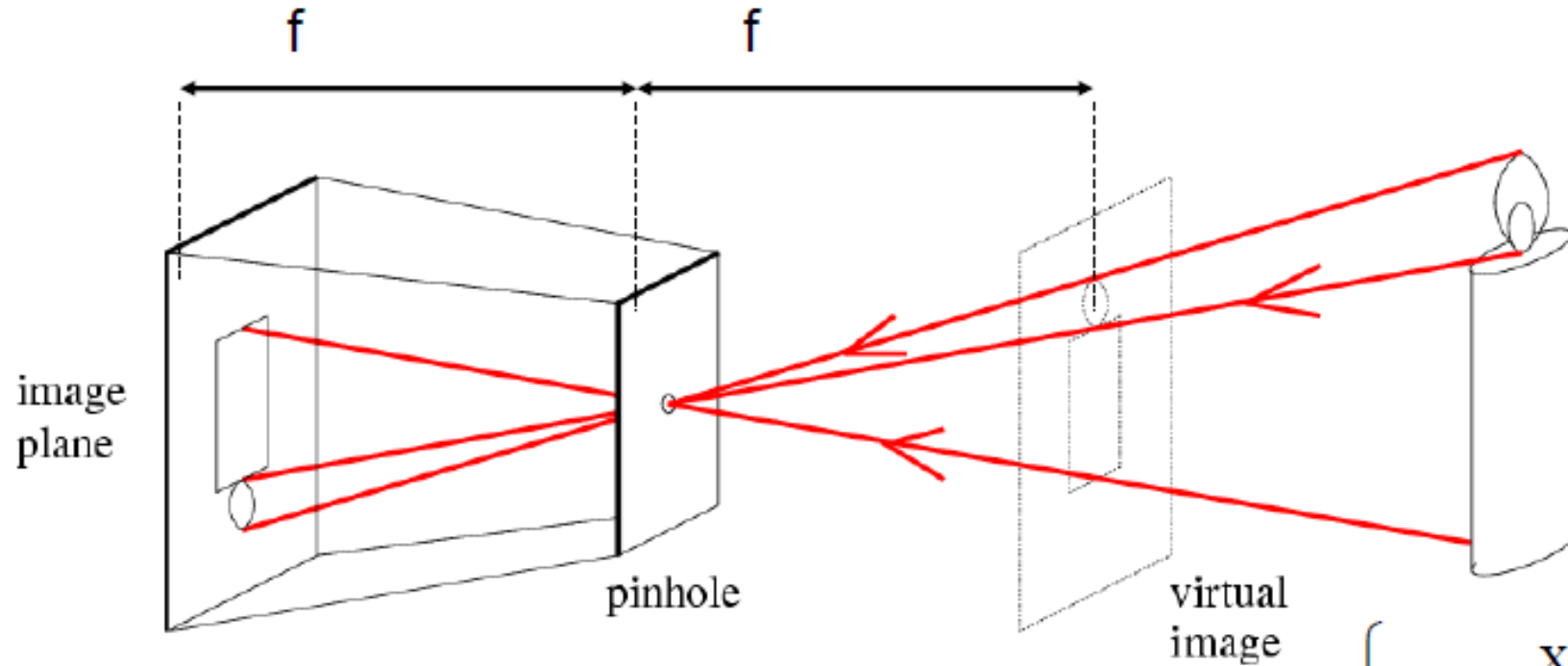


# Pinhole Camera Model



Derived using similar triangles

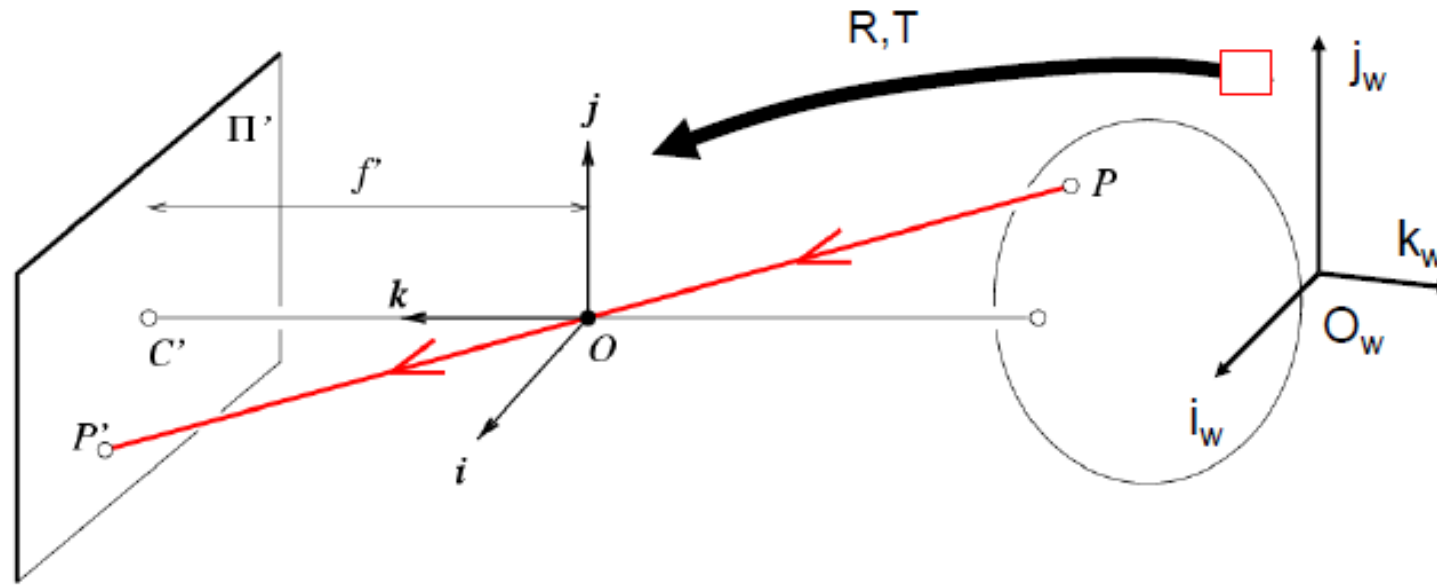
# Pinhole Camera Model



Common to draw image plane *in front* of the focal point. Moving the image plane merely scales the image.

$$\begin{cases} x' = f \frac{x}{z} \\ y' = f \frac{y}{z} \end{cases}$$

# World to Camera – Camera to World

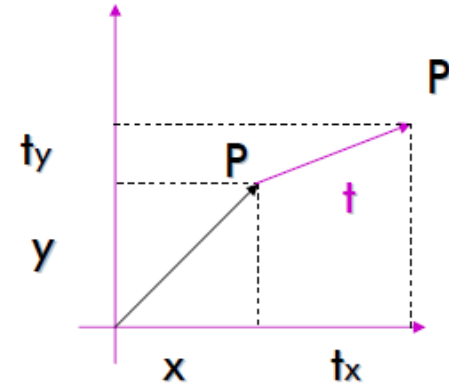
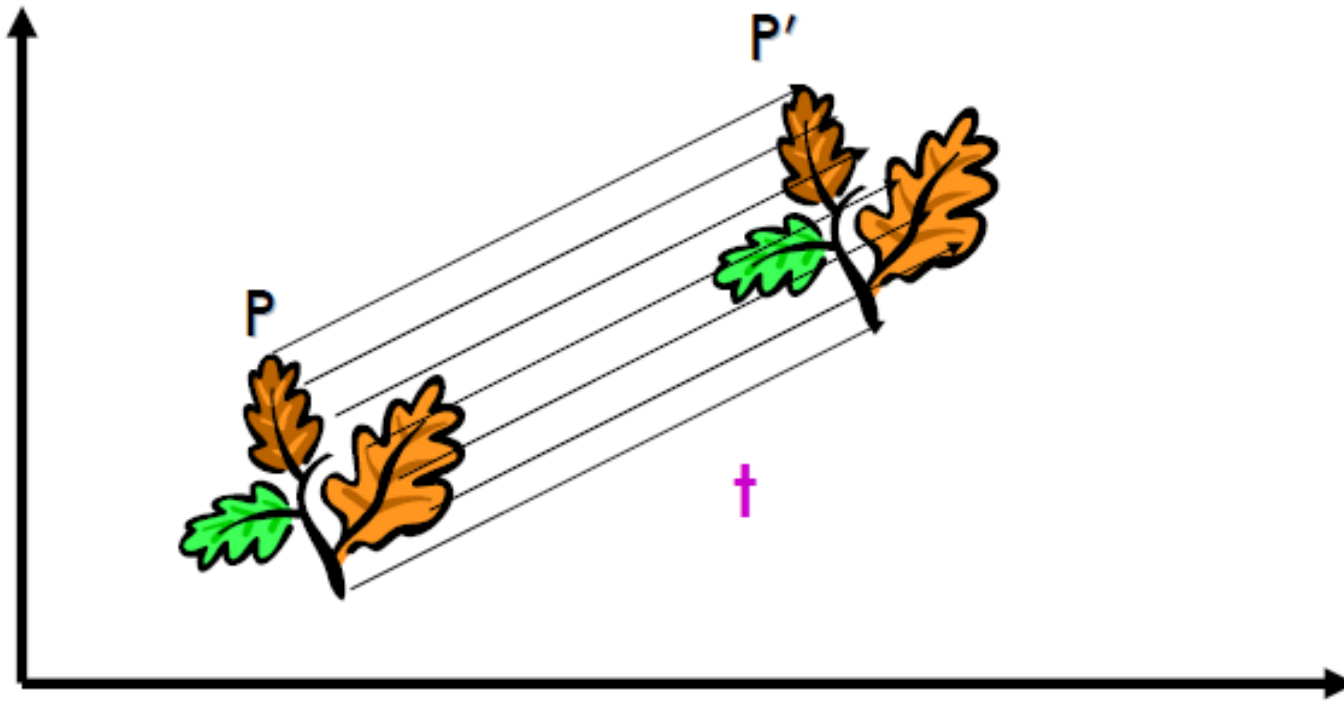


$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{pmatrix} \text{2D} \\ \text{point} \\ (3 \times 1) \end{pmatrix} \\
 \text{camera}
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 \begin{pmatrix} \text{Camera to} \\ \text{pixel coord.} \\ \text{trans. matrix} \\ (3 \times 3) \end{pmatrix} \\
 \text{K matrix} \\
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 [I \ 0] \text{ matrix}
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 \begin{pmatrix} \text{World to} \\ \text{camera coord.} \\ \text{trans. matrix} \\ (4 \times 4) \end{pmatrix} \\
 R, t \text{ matrix} \\
 \sim \text{external matrix}
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 \begin{pmatrix} \text{3D} \\ \text{point} \\ (4 \times 1) \end{pmatrix} \\
 \text{world}
 \end{array}$$

# Geometric Transformations



# 2D Translation



$$\mathbf{P} = (x, y)$$

$$\mathbf{t} = (t_x, t_y)$$

$$\mathbf{P}' = \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{t} = (x + t_x, y + t_y)$$

$$\mathbf{P}' \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x + t_x \\ y + t_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Homogeneous Coordinates

- Multiply the coordinates by a non-zero scalar and add an extra coordinate equal to that scalar. For example,

$$(x, y) \rightarrow (x \cdot z, y \cdot z, z) \quad z \neq 0$$

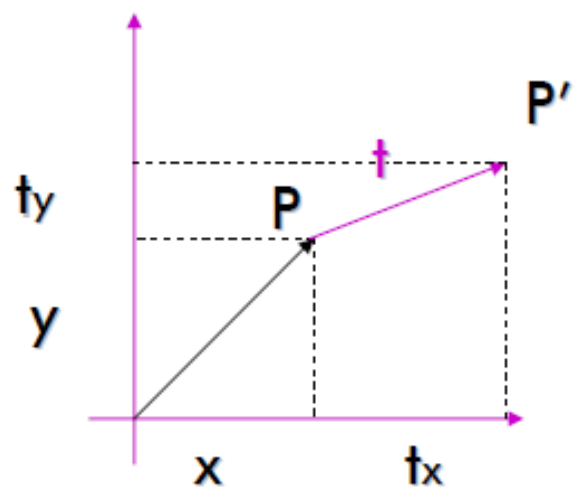
$$(x, y, z) \rightarrow (x \cdot w, y \cdot w, z \cdot w, w) \quad w \neq 0$$

- Back to Cartesian coordinates

$$(x, y, z) \quad z \neq 0 \rightarrow (x / z, y / z)$$

$$(x, y, z, w) \quad w \neq 0 \rightarrow (x / w, y / w, z / w)$$

# 2D Translation using Homogeneous Coordinates

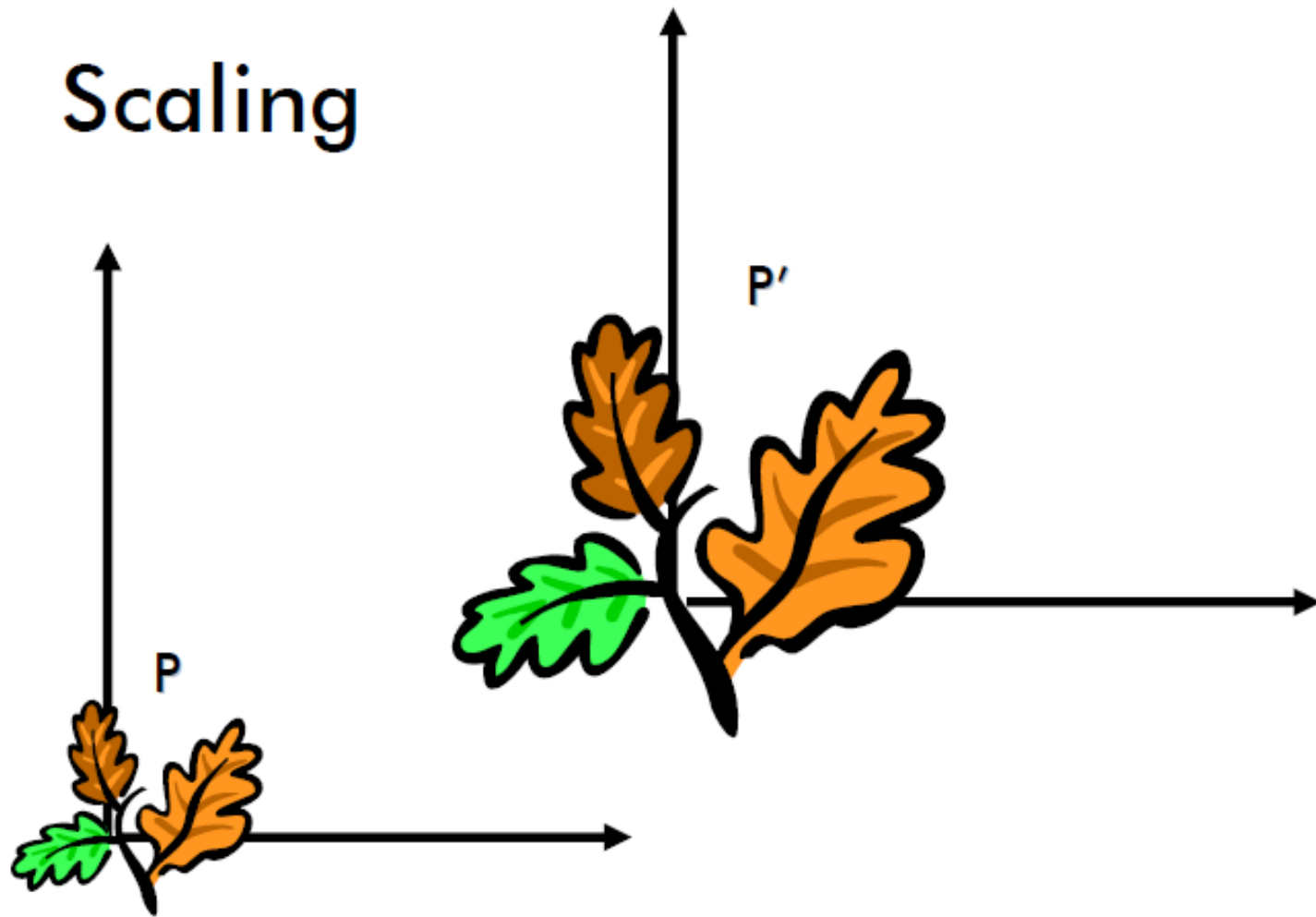


$$\mathbf{P} = (x, y) \rightarrow (x, y, 1)$$

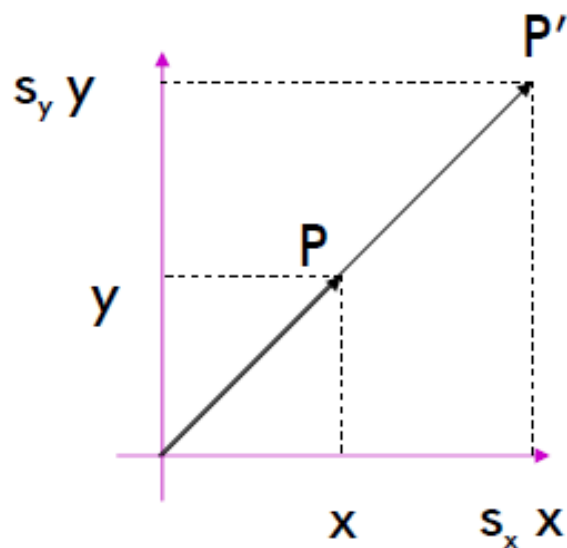
$$\mathbf{t} = (t_x, t_y) \rightarrow (t_x, t_y, 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{P}' &\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x + t_x \\ y + t_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{t} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{P}\end{aligned}$$

# Scaling



# Scaling Equation



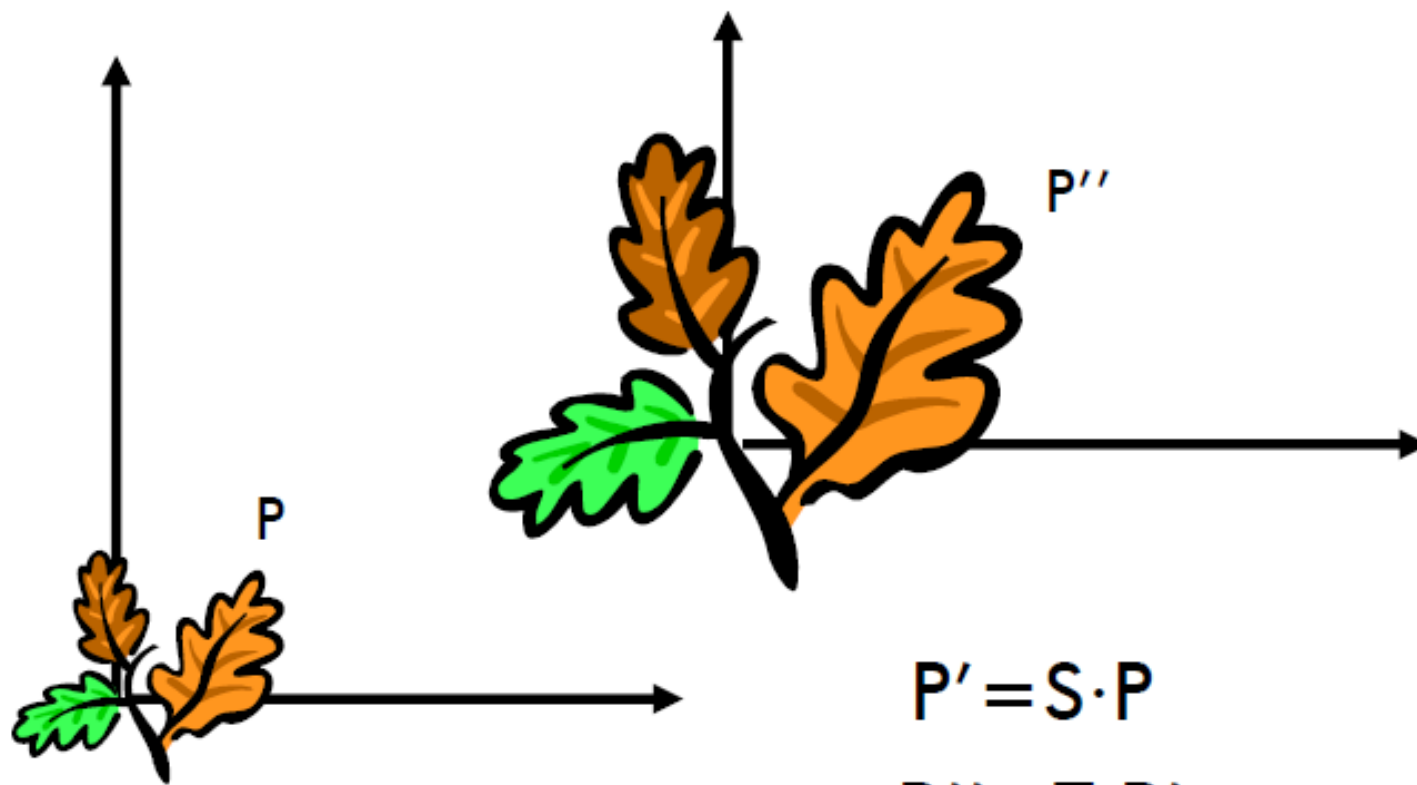
$$\mathbf{P} = (x, y) \rightarrow \mathbf{P}' = (s_x x, s_y y)$$

$$\mathbf{P} = (x, y) \rightarrow (x, y, 1)$$

$$\mathbf{P}' = (s_x x, s_y y) \rightarrow (s_x x, s_y y, 1)$$

$$\mathbf{P}' \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} s_x x \\ s_y y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{S}} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{S}' & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{P}$$

# Scaling & Translating



$$P' = S \cdot P$$

$$P'' = T \cdot P'$$

$$P'' = T \cdot P' = T \cdot (S \cdot P) = (T \cdot S) \cdot P = A \cdot P$$

# Scaling & Translating

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{P}'' &= \mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \\ &= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & s_y & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{A}} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x x + t_x \\ s_y y + t_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

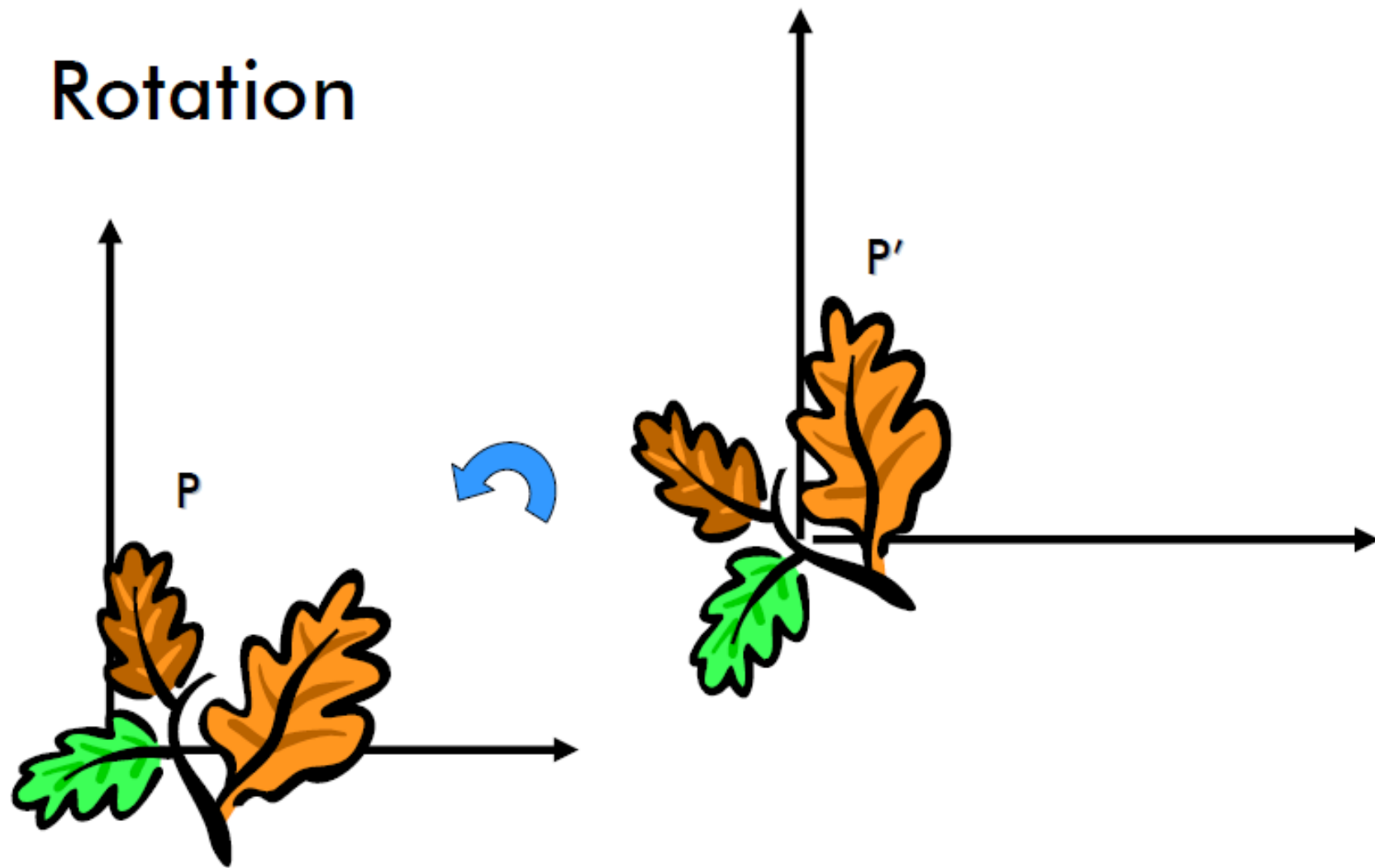
# Translating & Scaling = Scaling & Translating ?

$$\mathbf{P}''' = \mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & s_y & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x x + t_x \\ s_y y + t_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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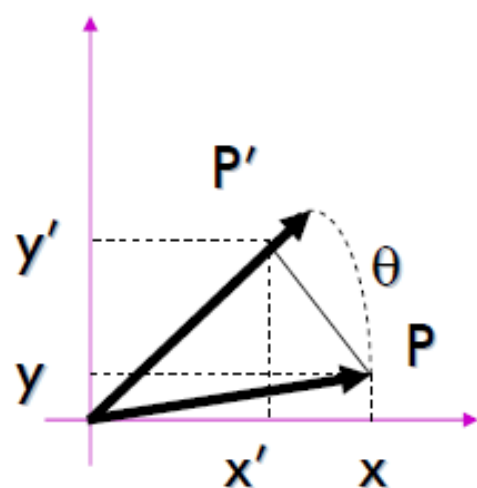


# Rotation



# Rotation Equations

Counter-clockwise rotation by an angle  $\theta$



$$x' = \cos \theta \, x - \sin \theta \, y$$

$$y' = \cos \theta \, y + \sin \theta \, x$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

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

# Degrees of Freedom

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

**R is 2x2**            **4 elements**

Note: **R** belongs to the category of *normal* matrices and satisfies many interesting properties:

$$\mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{R}^T = \mathbf{R}^T \cdot \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\det(\mathbf{R}) = 1$$

# Rotation + Scaling + Translation

$$P' = (T R S) P$$

$$P' = T \cdot R \cdot S \cdot P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & t_x \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} R' & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} R' S & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

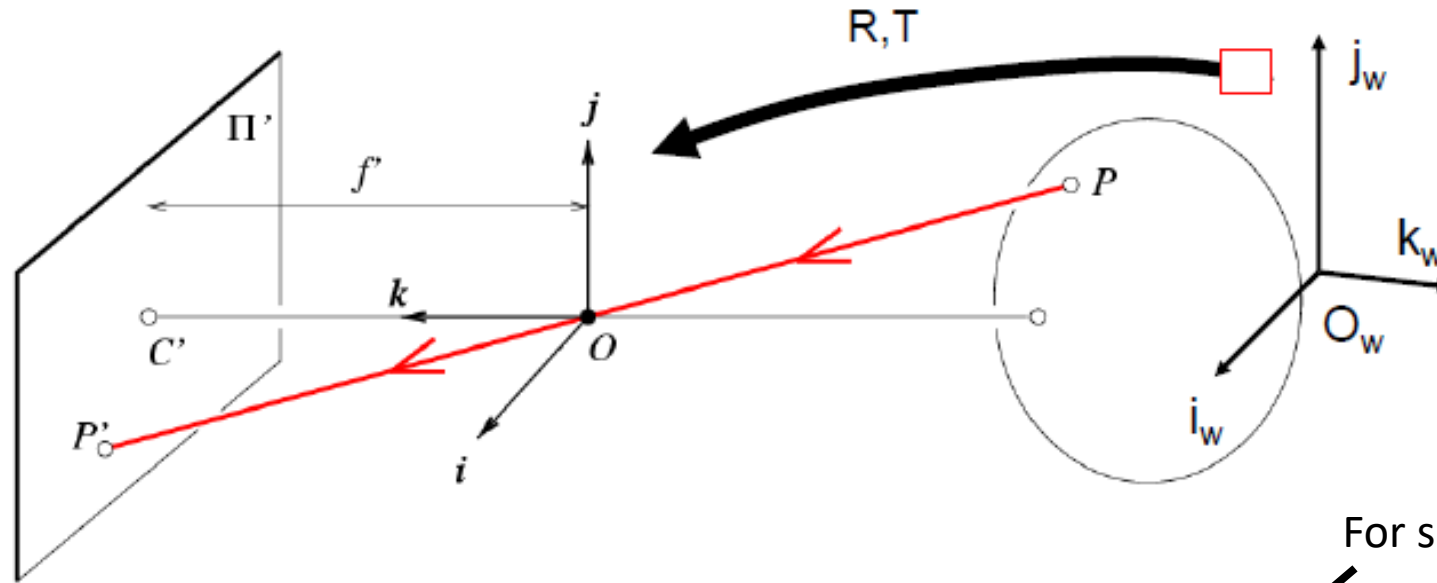
If  $s_x = s_y$ , this is a similarity transformation!

# Geometric Transformations

- Isometries or Euclidean Transformation
- Similarity Transformation
- Affine Transformation
- Projective Transformations

# Camera Coordinates and Image Formation

# World to Camera – Camera to World



For simplicity assume

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{bmatrix} \text{2D} \\ \text{point} \\ (3 \times 1) \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{camera} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{bmatrix} \text{Camera to} \\ \text{pixel coord.} \\ \text{trans. matrix} \\ (3 \times 3) \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{K matrix} \\ 3 \times 3 \text{ internal matrix} \end{array} \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \begin{bmatrix} \text{Perspective} \\ \text{projection matrix} \\ (3 \times 4) \end{bmatrix} \\ [I \ 0] \text{ matrix} \end{array}} \begin{array}{c} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{R, t matrix} \\ \sim \text{external matrix} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \begin{bmatrix} \text{3D} \\ \text{point} \\ (4 \times 1) \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{world} \end{array}$$

# Perspective Projection Transformation

$$X' = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_M \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad X' = M X$$

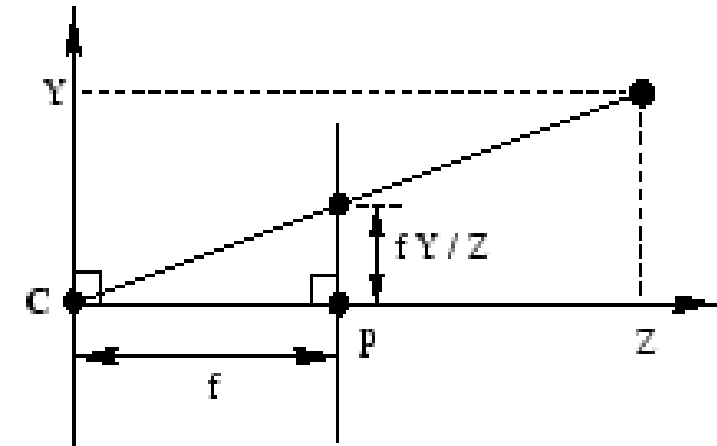
$$\begin{matrix} \text{pixel} \\ \text{measured} \end{matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x}{z} \\ \frac{y}{z} \end{bmatrix}$$

X point in 3D homogeneous c.

X' point in 2D homogeneous c.



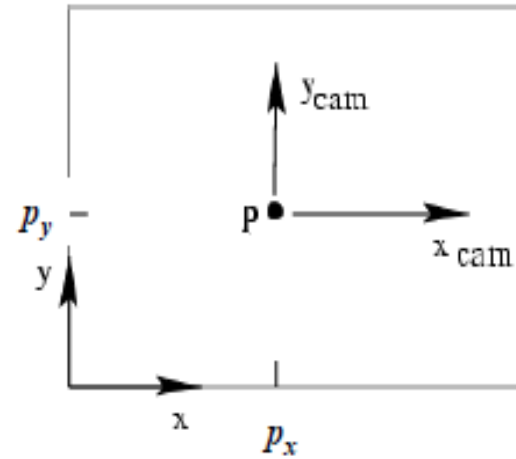
Camera Center is the same as the focal point, or the center of projection ('C')



- **Principal Axis** – Line from the camera centre perpendicular to the image plane.
- **Normalized Camera Coordinate** – Camera centre at the origin (**C**), x and y axes are aligned with the image axes and image plane ( $P_z = f$ ); units in m/cm/ft etc.
- **Principal point** – point where the principal axis intersects the image plane ( $z=f$ )
- **Pixel coordinate frame** – Origin (0,0) is in the corner of an image; units are in pixels.

# Principal point offset

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principal point:  $(p_x, p_y)$

$$(X, Y, Z) \mapsto (fX/Z + p_x, fY/Z + p_y)$$

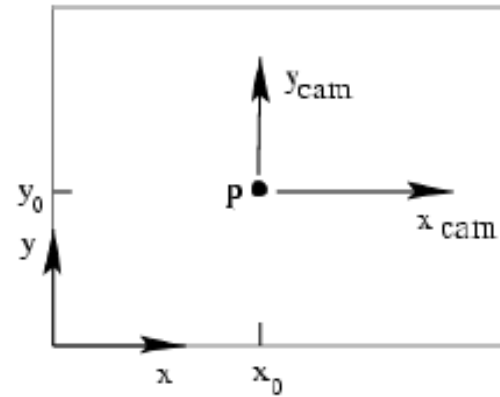
Pixel coordinate frame

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} fX + Zp_x \\ fY + Zp_y \\ Z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x & 0 \\ & f & p_y \\ & & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Homogeneous coordinates

## Principal point offset

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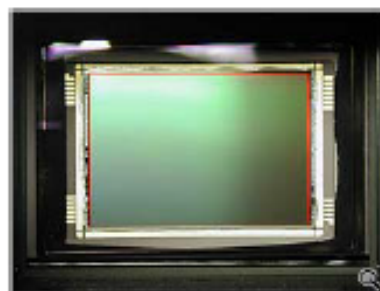
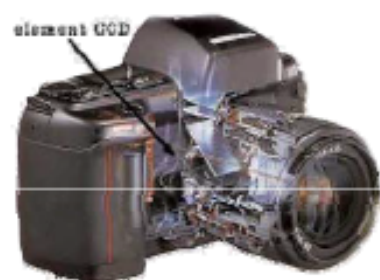
principal point:  $(p_x, p_y)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} fX + Zp_x \\ fY + Zp_y \\ Z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x \\ & f & p_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ & 1 & 0 \\ & & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x \\ & f & p_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{a simple intrinsic matrix} \quad P = K[I \mid 0]$$

# Pixel coordinates

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Pixel size:  $\frac{1}{m_x} \times \frac{1}{m_y}$

$m_x$  pixels per meter in horizontal direction

$m_y$  pixels per meter in vertical direction


$$K = \begin{bmatrix} m_x & & \\ & m_y & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f \\ f \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ p_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & & \beta_x \\ & \alpha_y & \beta_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

pixels/m                      m                      pixels

# Intrinsic Camera Matrix

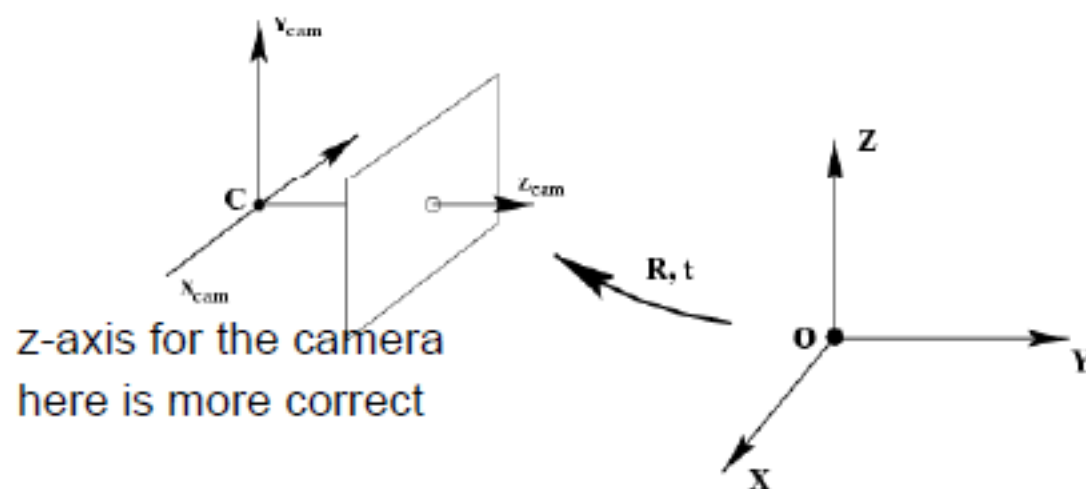
- Skew parameter  $s$  is non-zero, only if  $x$  and  $y$  axes are non-orthogonal, i.e., pixels are not rectangular
- Recent cameras rarely have non-square pixels

skew parameter


$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & s & \beta_x \\ 0 & \alpha_y & \beta_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{K}_{3 \times 3}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{[\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}]} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & s & \beta_x & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_y & \beta_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

homogeneous coordinates

# Camera rotation and translation



- In general, the camera coordinate frame will be related to the world coordinate frame by a rotation and a translation

*3D nonhomogeneous*

$$\tilde{X}_{\text{cam}} = R(\tilde{X} - \tilde{C})$$

coords. of point in camera frame

coords. of a point in world frame (nonhomogeneous)

rotation to camera frame \*  
vector from camera center to the point

coords. of camera center in world frame

# 3D Rotation Matrices

- Representations

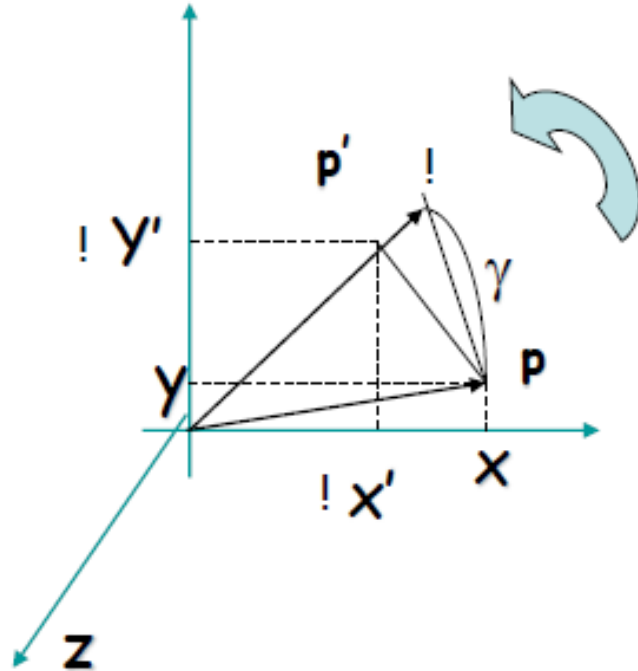
- Euler angles
- Axis-angle
- Rodrigues' formula
- ~~– Unit quaternion~~

- Important to note:

- Points along the axis of rotation are invariant to rotation

# Euler Angles

3D Rotation around the coordinate axes counter-clockwise.



$$R_x(\alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ 0 & \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_y(\beta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta & 0 & \sin \beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \beta & 0 & \cos \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_z(\gamma) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \gamma & -\sin \gamma & 0 \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Axis Angle

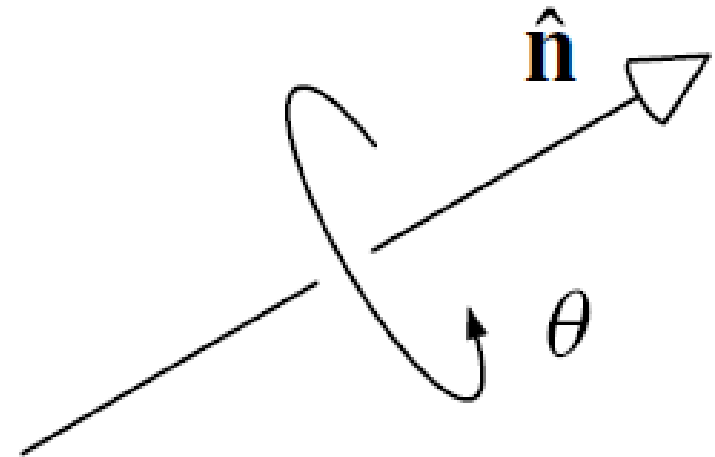
Let  $\text{rot}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}, \theta)$  be the corresponding rotation.

Many to one:

$$\text{rot}(-\hat{\mathbf{n}}, -\theta) = \text{rot}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}, \theta)$$

$$\text{rot}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}, \theta + 2k\pi) = \text{rot}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}, \theta), \text{ for any integer } k.$$

When  $\theta = 0$ , the rotation axis is indeterminate, giving an infinity-to-one mapping.

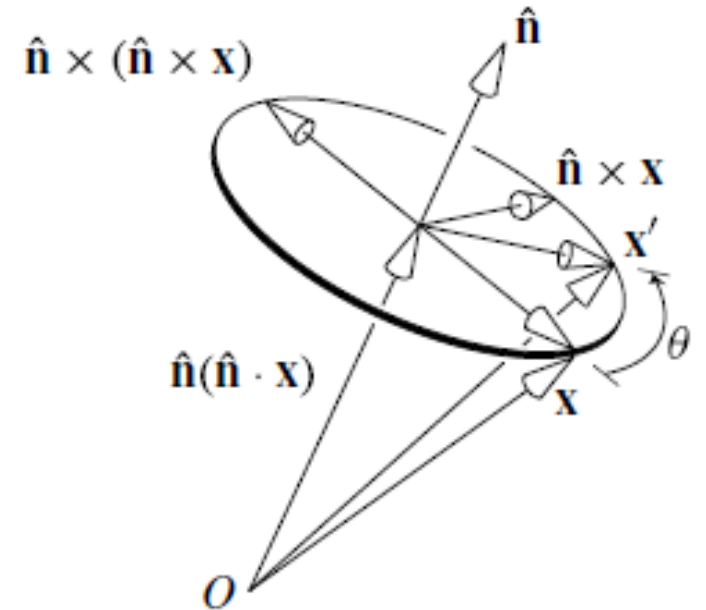


# Rodrigues's Formula

Given point  $\mathbf{x}$ , decompose into components parallel and perpendicular to the rotation axis

$$\mathbf{x} = \hat{\mathbf{n}}(\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{x}) - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{x})$$

Only  $\mathbf{x}_{\perp}$  is affected by the rotation, yielding *Rodrigues's formula*:



# Rodrigues's Formula

Axis-angle to  $\mathbf{R}$

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x} + (\sin \theta) \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{x} + (1 - \cos \theta) \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{x})$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -n_3 & n_2 \\ n_3 & 0 & -n_1 \\ -n_2 & n_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$N\mathbf{x} = \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x} + (\sin \theta)N\mathbf{x} + (1 - \cos \theta)N^2\mathbf{x}$$

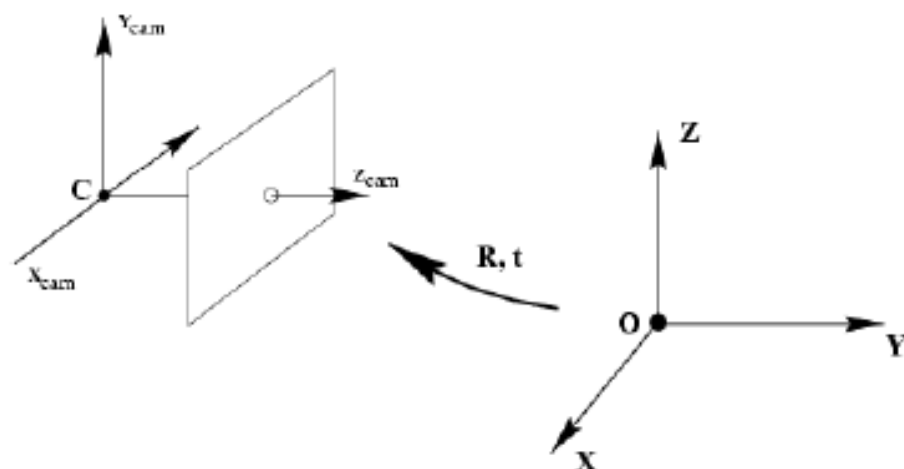
$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I} + (\sin \theta)N + (1 - \cos \theta)N^2$$

$\mathbf{R}$  to Axis-angle

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\text{trace}(\mathbf{R}) - 1}{2} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{n} = \frac{1}{2 \sin(\theta)} \begin{bmatrix} R_{32} - R_{23} \\ R_{13} - R_{31} \\ R_{21} - R_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Camera rotation and translation



In nonhomogeneous coordinates:

$$\tilde{X}_{cam} = R(\tilde{X} - \tilde{C})$$

homogeneous coord.  
in 3D

$$X_{cam} = \begin{bmatrix} R & -R\tilde{C} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{X} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R & -R\tilde{C} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} X$$

in 2D plane

$$x = K[I | 0]X_{cam} = K[R | -R\tilde{C}]X \quad \text{3D to 2D}$$

$$P = K[R | t], \quad t = -R\tilde{C}$$

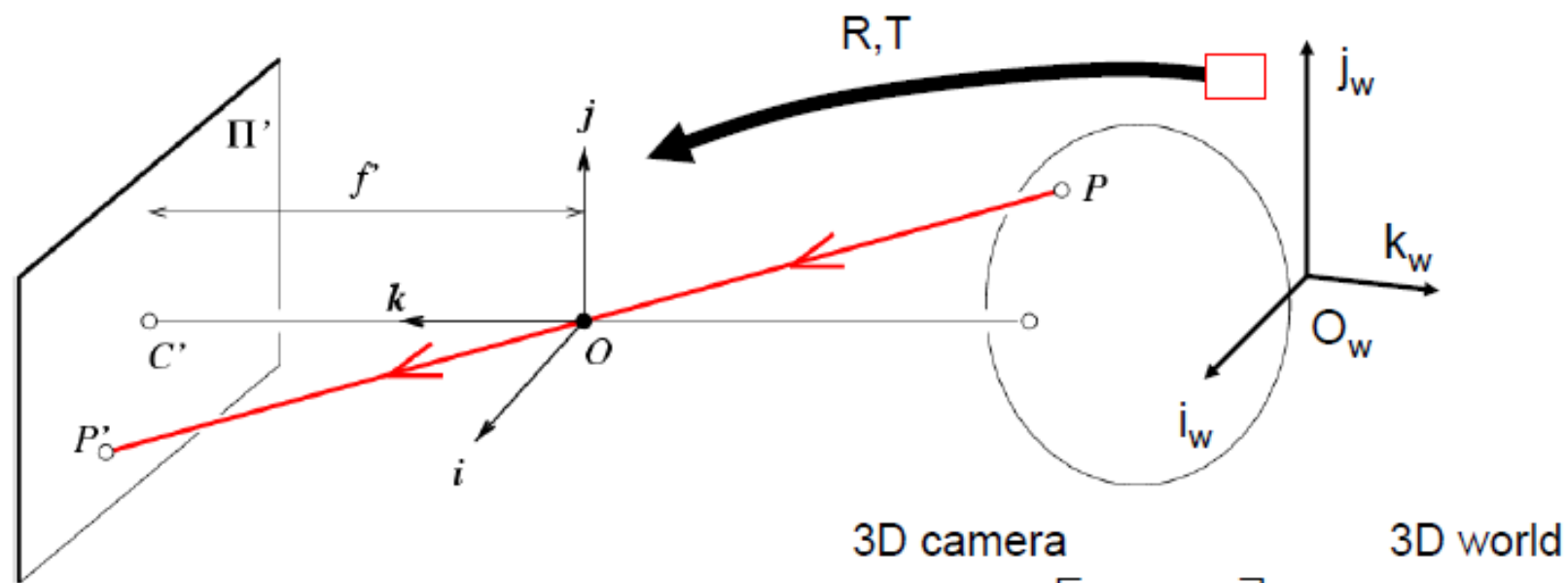
Note: C is the null space of the camera projection matrix (PC=0)

$$K[R | -R\tilde{C}] [\tilde{C} \ 1]^T = 0$$

# Image Formation Summary

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{2D} \\ \text{point} \\ (3 \times 1) \end{array} \right] & = & \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{Camera to} \\ \text{pixel coord.} \\ \text{trans. matrix} \\ (3 \times 3) \end{array} \right] & \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{Perspective} \\ \text{projection matrix} \\ (3 \times 4) \end{array} \right] & \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{World to} \\ \text{camera coord.} \\ \text{trans. matrix} \\ (4 \times 4) \end{array} \right] & \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{3D} \\ \text{point} \\ (4 \times 1) \end{array} \right] \\ \text{camera} & & \text{K matrix} & \text{[I 0] matrix} & \text{R, t matrix} & \text{world} \\ & & \text{3x3 internal matrix} & & \sim \text{external matrix} & \end{array}$$

- Rotation and Translation (world to camera)
- Perspective Projection (camera 3D to image plane 2D)
- Scaling and Shifting (image plane 2D to pixel 2D)
- Use of homogeneous coordinates



In homogeneous coordinates

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} R & T \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{4 \times 4} X_w$$

We need  $5 + 3 + 3 = 11$  degrees of freedom (DOF) maximum.

$$X' \text{ in the plane } X' = M X_w = K [R \quad T] X_w$$

Internal parameters

External parameters

# Camera Parameters

- Intrinsic
  - Focal length (2-dof)  $f_x$  and  $f_y$
  - Principal point (2-dof)  $c_x, c_y$
  - Skew factor (1-dof)  $s$
- Extrinsic
  - Rotation (3-dof) -  $\mathbf{R}$
  - Translation (3-dof) -  $\mathbf{t}$
- Total degrees of freedom:  $3 + 3 + 2 + 2 + 1 = 11$ 
  - Need 11 equations to estimate these parameters
  - Direct Linear Transform
  - Calibration toolboxes

# Camera Calibration



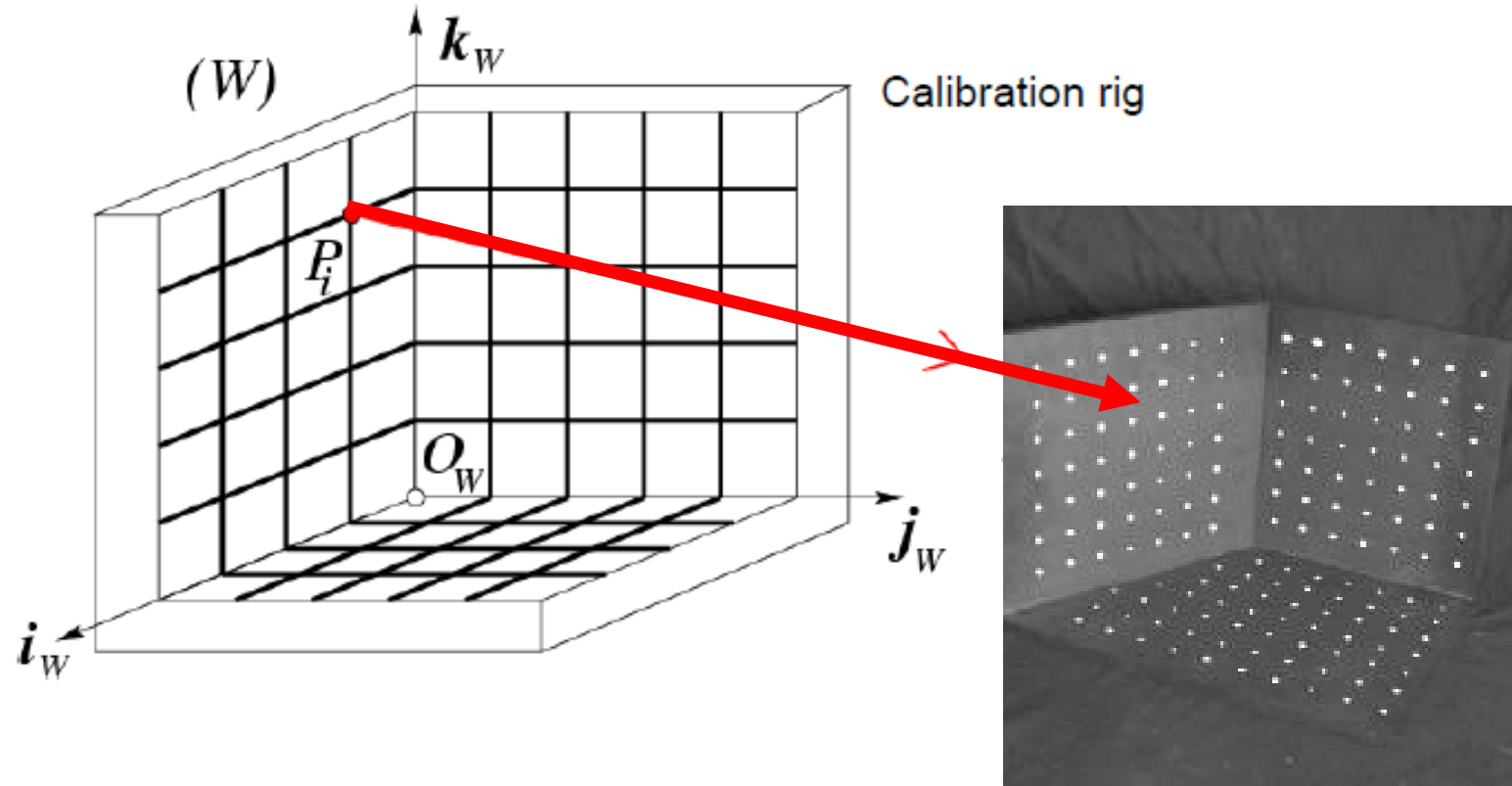
# Projective Camera

$$P' = M P_w = \underbrace{K}_{\text{Internal parameters}} \underbrace{[R \ T]}_{\text{External parameters}} P_w$$

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & -\alpha \cot \theta & u_o \\ 0 & \frac{\beta}{\sin \theta} & v_o \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}_1^T \\ \mathbf{r}_2^T \\ \mathbf{r}_3^T \end{bmatrix} \quad T = \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \\ t_z \end{bmatrix}$$

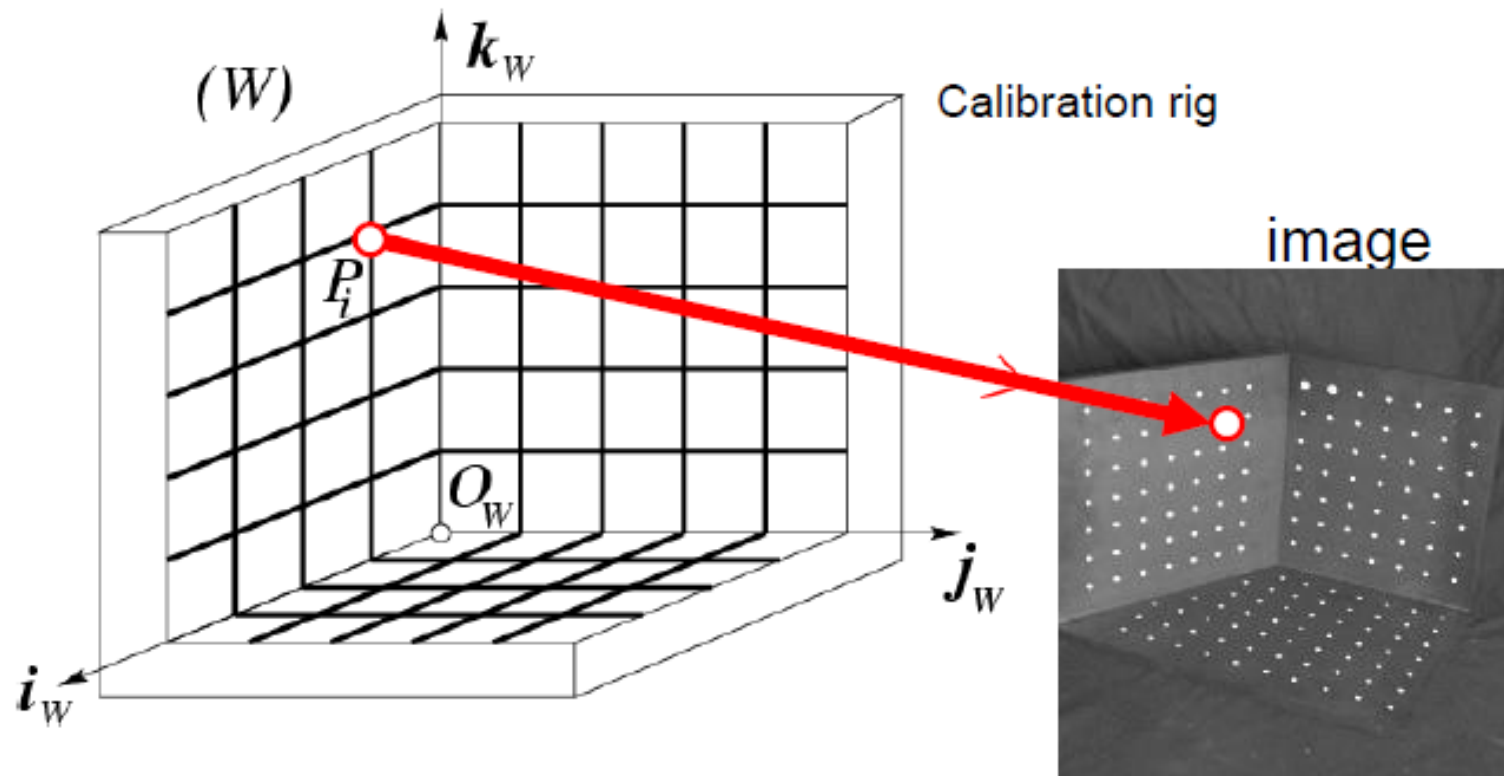
Goal: To estimate internal and external parameters from one or multiple images

# Calibration Problem



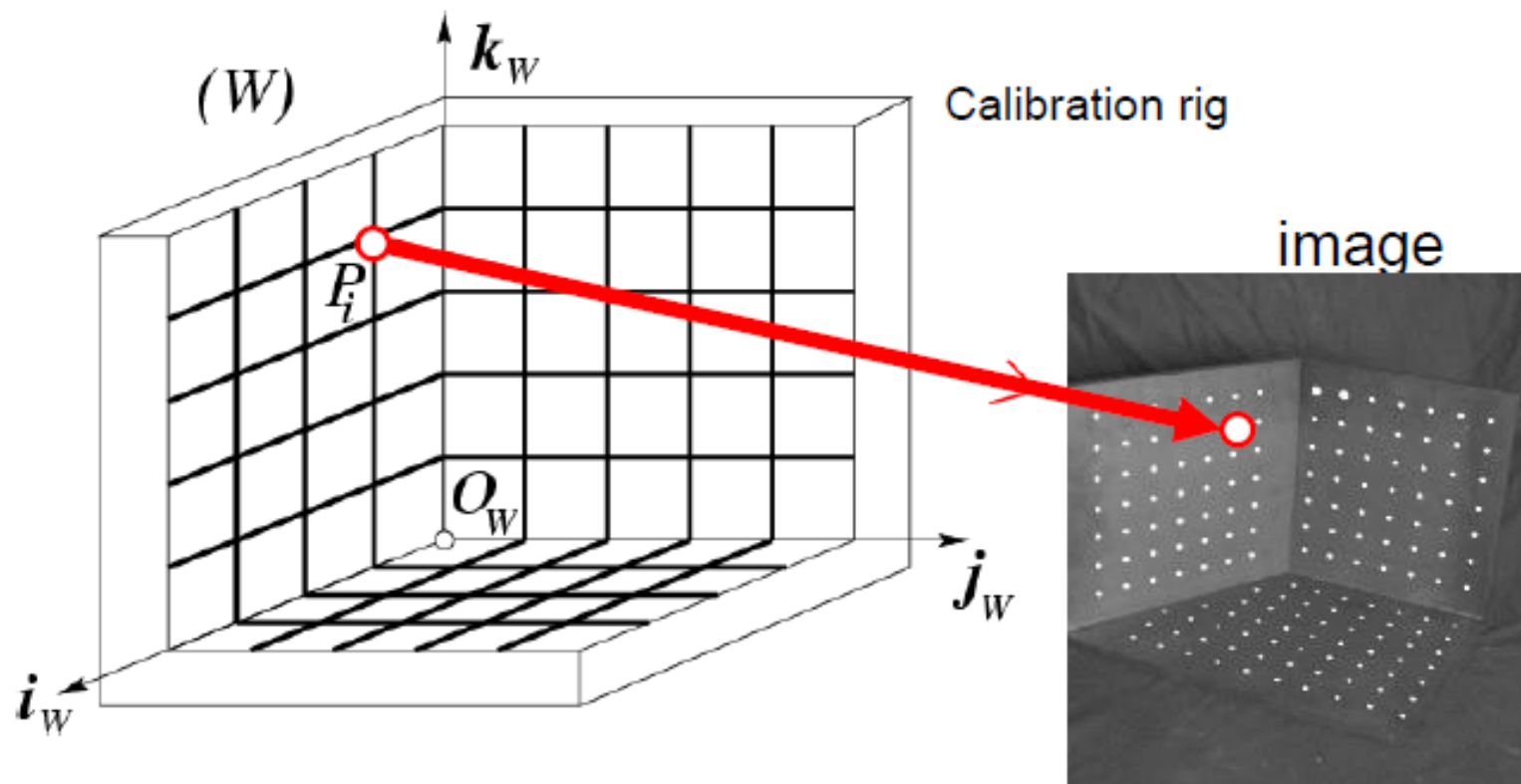
- $P_1 \dots P_n$  with **known** positions in  $[O_w, i_w, j_w, k_w]$
  - $p_1, \dots, p_n$  **known** positions in the image
- Goal:** compute intrinsic and extrinsic parameters

# Calibration Problem



In practice, using more than 6 correspondences enables more robust results

# Calibration Problem



$$P_i \rightarrow M P_i \rightarrow p_i = \begin{bmatrix} u_i \\ v_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\mathbf{m}_1 P_i}{\mathbf{m}_3 P_i} \\ \frac{\mathbf{m}_2 P_i}{\mathbf{m}_3 P_i} \end{bmatrix} \quad M = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \mathbf{m}_2 \\ \mathbf{m}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

in pixels

# Calibration Problem

$$\begin{cases} -u_1(\mathbf{m}_3^T P_1) + \mathbf{m}_1^T P_1 = 0 \\ -v_1(\mathbf{m}_3^T P_1) + \mathbf{m}_2^T P_1 = 0 \\ \vdots \\ -u_n(\mathbf{m}_3^T P_n) + \mathbf{m}_1^T P_n = 0 \\ -v_n(\mathbf{m}_3^T P_n) + \mathbf{m}_2^T P_n = 0 \end{cases}$$



known      unknown

$$\boxed{\mathbf{P} \mathbf{m} = 0}$$

Homogenous linear system

$$\mathbf{P} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1^T & \mathbf{0}^T & -u_1 \mathbf{P}_1^T \\ \mathbf{0}^T & \mathbf{P}_1^T & -v_1 \mathbf{P}_1^T \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{P}_n^T & \mathbf{0}^T & -u_n \mathbf{P}_n^T \\ \mathbf{0}^T & \mathbf{P}_n^T & -v_n \mathbf{P}_n^T \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 1 \times 4 \\ 2n \times 12 \end{matrix}$$

$$\mathbf{m} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1^T \\ \mathbf{m}_2^T \\ \mathbf{m}_3^T \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 4 \times 1 \\ 12 \times 1 \end{matrix}$$

# Decomposition of the Camera Matrix

- Camera Centre:  $\mathbf{MC}=\mathbf{0}$ 
  - One dimensional null space of camera matrix  $\mathbf{M}$
- Extrinsic Parameters ( $\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{t}$ ) and Intrinsic Parameters ( $\mathbf{K}$ )
  - Use RQ decomposition where R is upper triangular and Q is orthogonal

# RQ Decomposition

A 3-dimensional Givens rotation is a rotation about one of the three coordinate axes. The three Givens rotations are

$$Q_x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & c & -s \\ & s & c \end{bmatrix} \quad Q_y = \begin{bmatrix} c & & s \\ & 1 & \\ -s & & c \end{bmatrix} \quad Q_z = \begin{bmatrix} c & -s & \\ s & c & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{A4.1})$$

## Objective

Carry out the RQ decomposition of a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  using Givens rotations.

## Algorithm

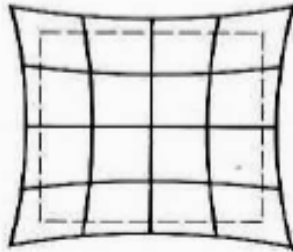
- (i) Multiply by  $Q_x$  so as to set  $A_{32}$  to zero.
- (ii) Multiply by  $Q_y$  so as to set  $A_{31}$  to zero. This multiplication does not change the second column of  $A$ , hence  $A_{32}$  remains zero.
- (iii) Multiply by  $Q_z$  so as to set  $A_{21}$  to zero. The first two columns are replaced by linear combinations of themselves. Thus,  $A_{31}$  and  $A_{32}$  remain zero.

# Radial Distortion

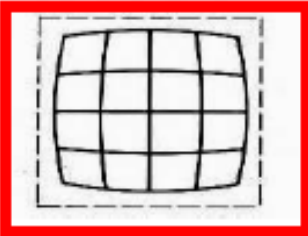
- Caused by imperfect lenses
- Deviations are most noticeable for rays that pass through the edge of the lens



No distortion



Pin cushion



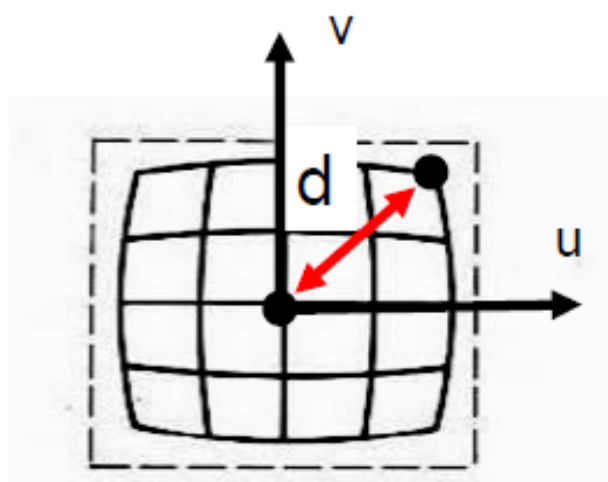
Barrel





# Radial Distortion

Image magnification in(de)creases with distance from the optical center



$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\lambda} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\lambda} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{M} \mathbf{P}_i \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_i \\ v_i \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{p}_i$$

$$d^2 = a u^2 + b v^2 + c u v$$

To model radial behavior

$$\lambda = 1 \pm \underbrace{\sum_{p=1}^3 \kappa_p d^{2p}}_{\text{Polynomial function}}$$

Distortion coefficient

# Radial Distortion

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\lambda} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\lambda} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}} M P_i \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_i \\ v_i \end{bmatrix} = p_i \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 \\ \mathbf{q}_2 \\ \mathbf{q}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Q

Is this a linear system of equations?

$$p_i = \begin{bmatrix} u_i \\ v_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\mathbf{q}_1 P_i}{\mathbf{q}_3 P_i} \\ \frac{\mathbf{q}_2 P_i}{\mathbf{q}_3 P_i} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} u_i \mathbf{q}_3 P_i = \mathbf{q}_1 P_i \\ v_i \mathbf{q}_3 P_i = \mathbf{q}_2 P_i \end{cases}$$

No! why?

# General Calibration Problem

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_i \\ v_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\mathbf{q}_1 P_i}{\mathbf{q}_3 P_i} \\ \frac{\mathbf{q}_2 P_i}{\mathbf{q}_3 P_i} \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow X = f(P)$$

measurement                      parameter

$f(\ )$  is nonlinear

## Typical assumptions:

- zero-skew, square pixel
- $u_o, v_o$  = known center of the image
- no distortion

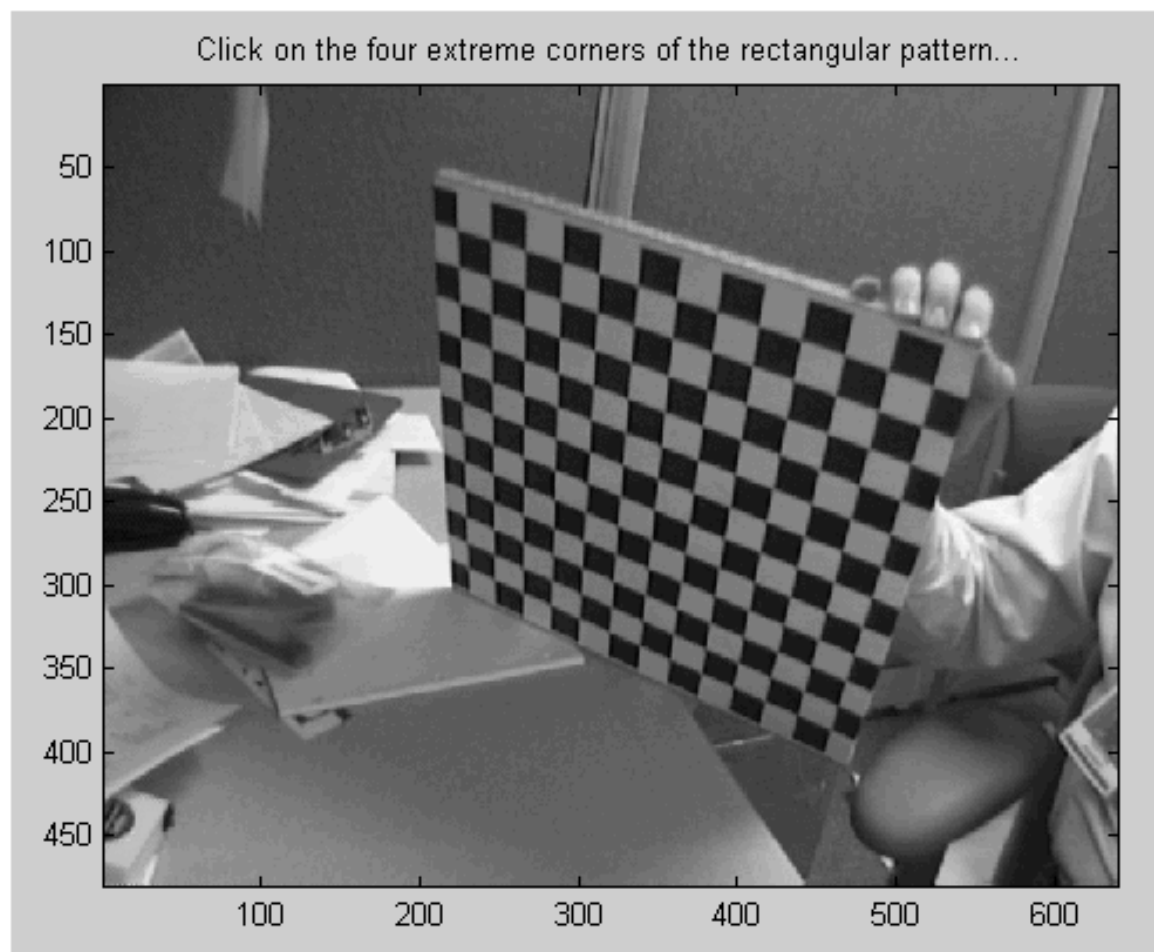
$\longrightarrow$  Just estimate  $f$   
and  $R, T$

# Calibration Procedure

*Camera Calibration Toolbox for Matlab*

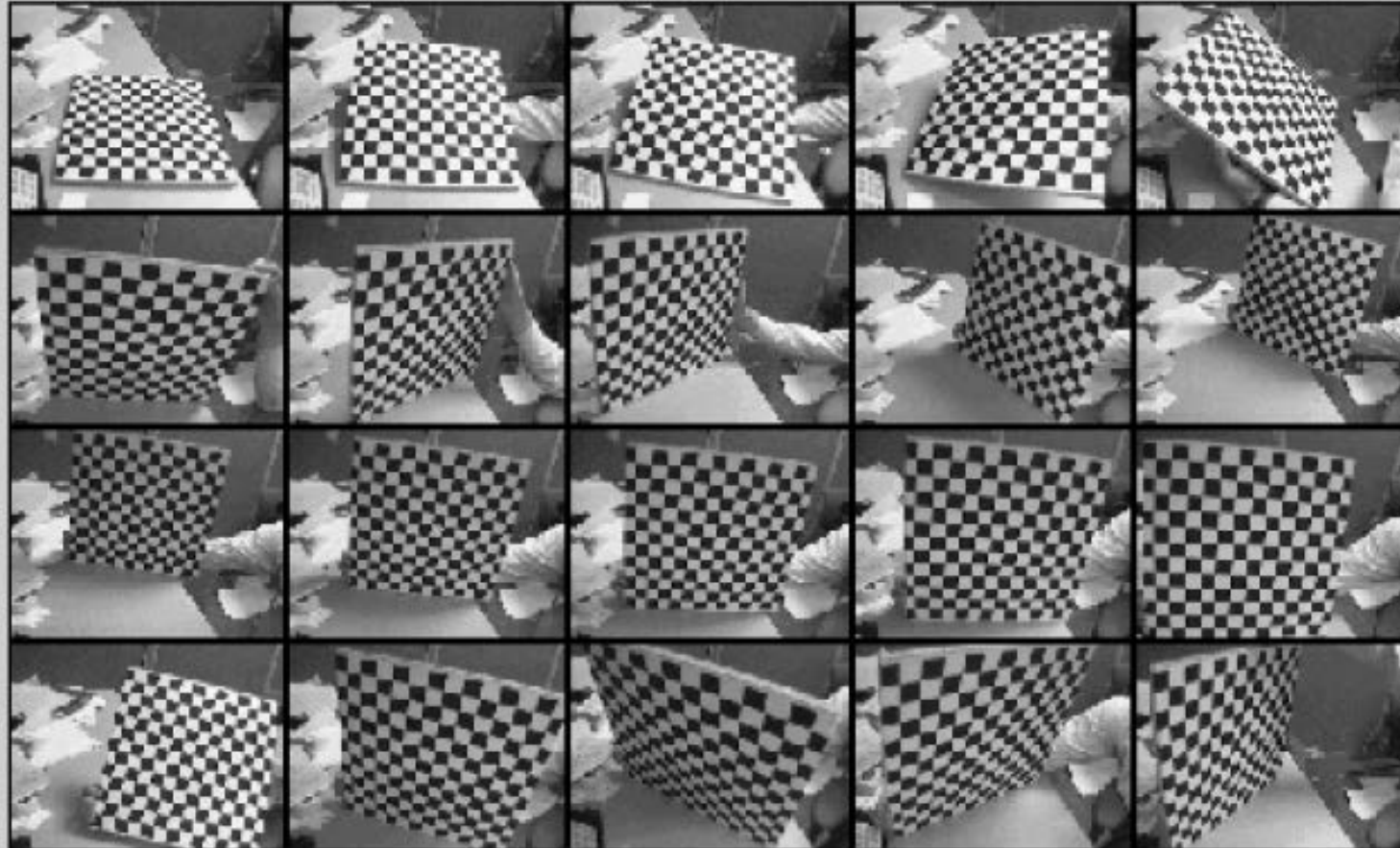
*J. Bouquet – [1998-2000]*

[http://www.vision.caltech.edu/bouquetj/calib\\_doc/index.html#examples](http://www.vision.caltech.edu/bouquetj/calib_doc/index.html#examples)



# Calibration Procedure

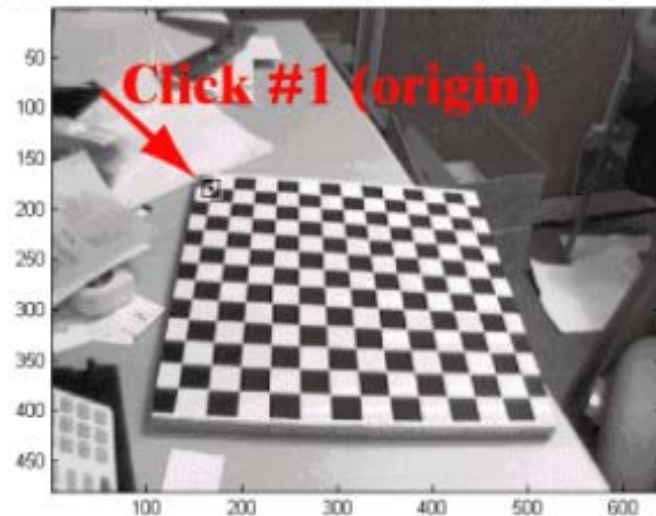
Calibration images



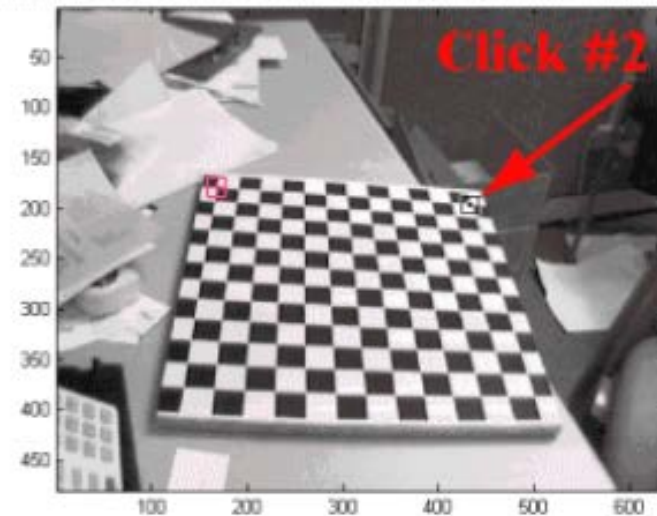


# Calibration Procedure

Click on the four extreme corners of the rectangular pattern (first corner = origin)... Image 1



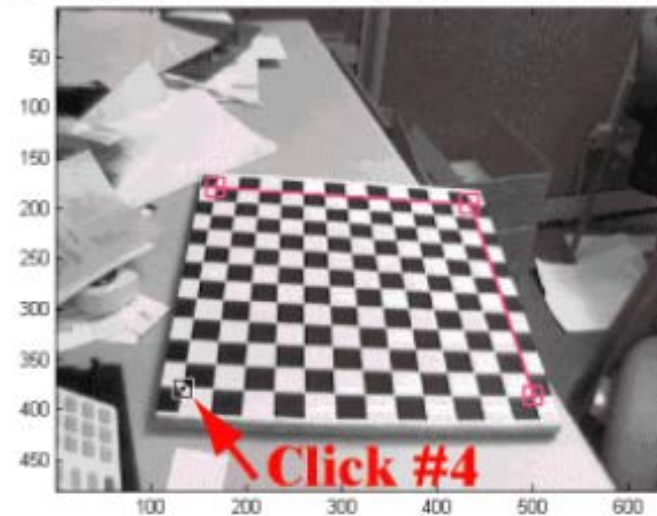
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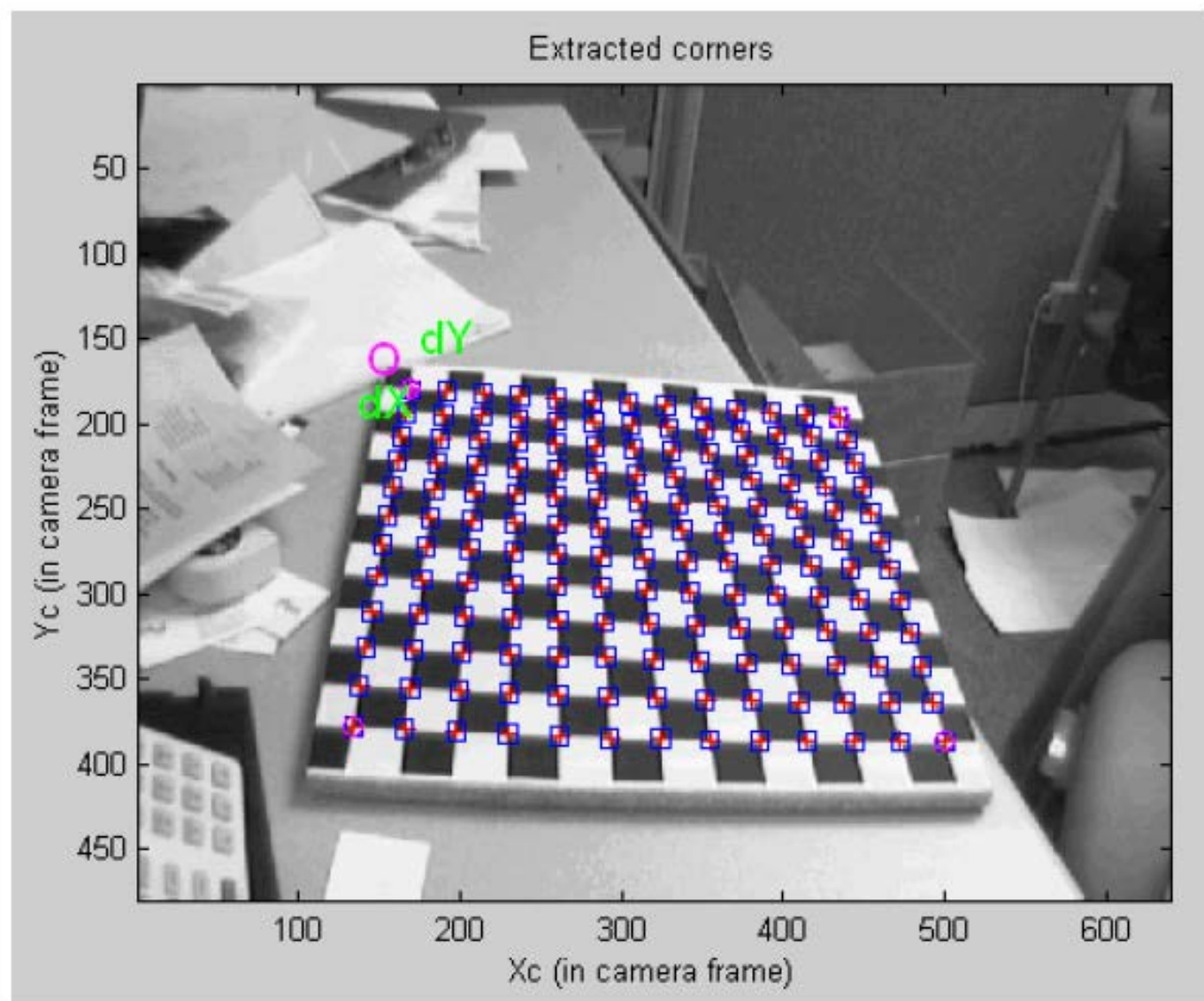
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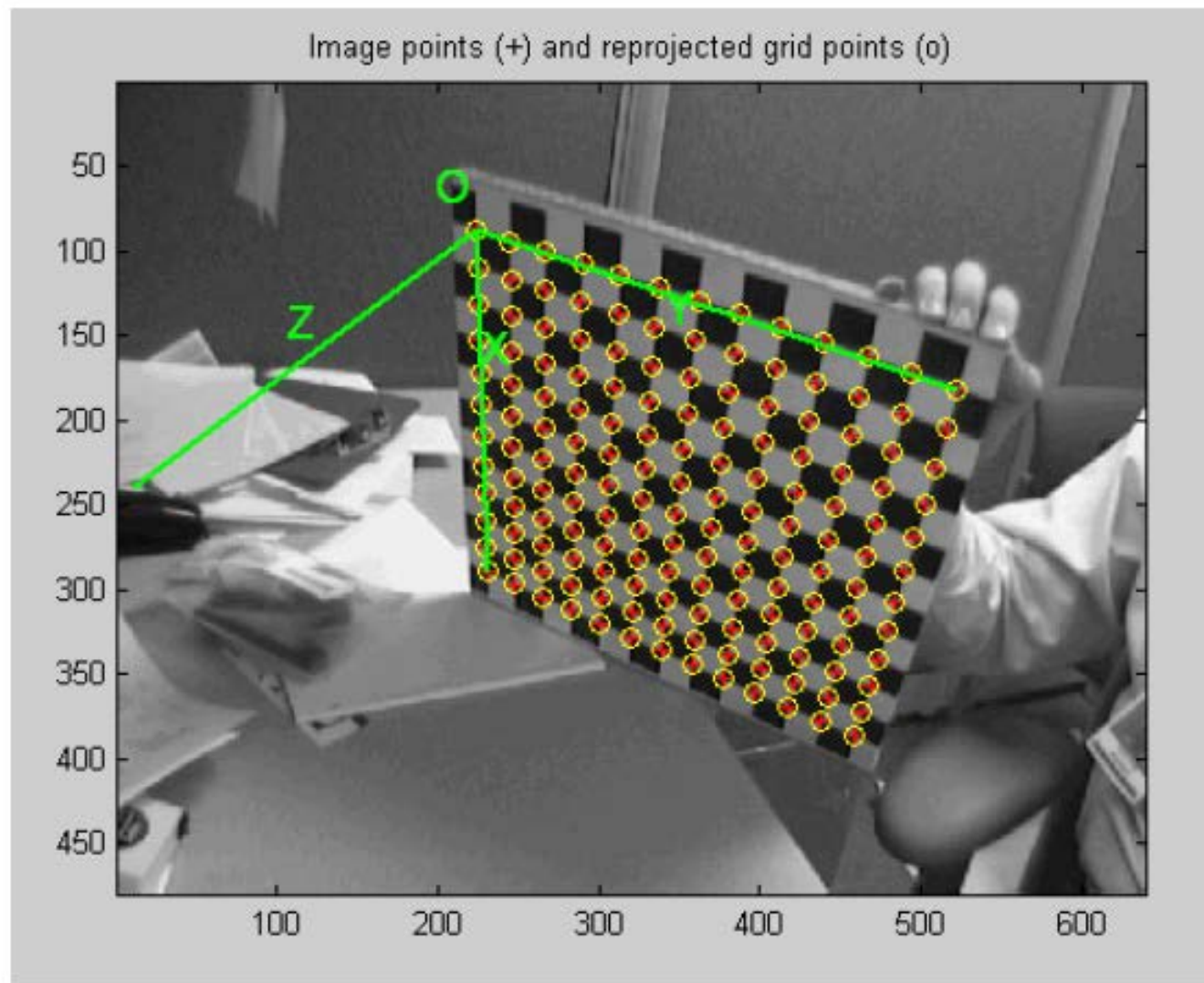
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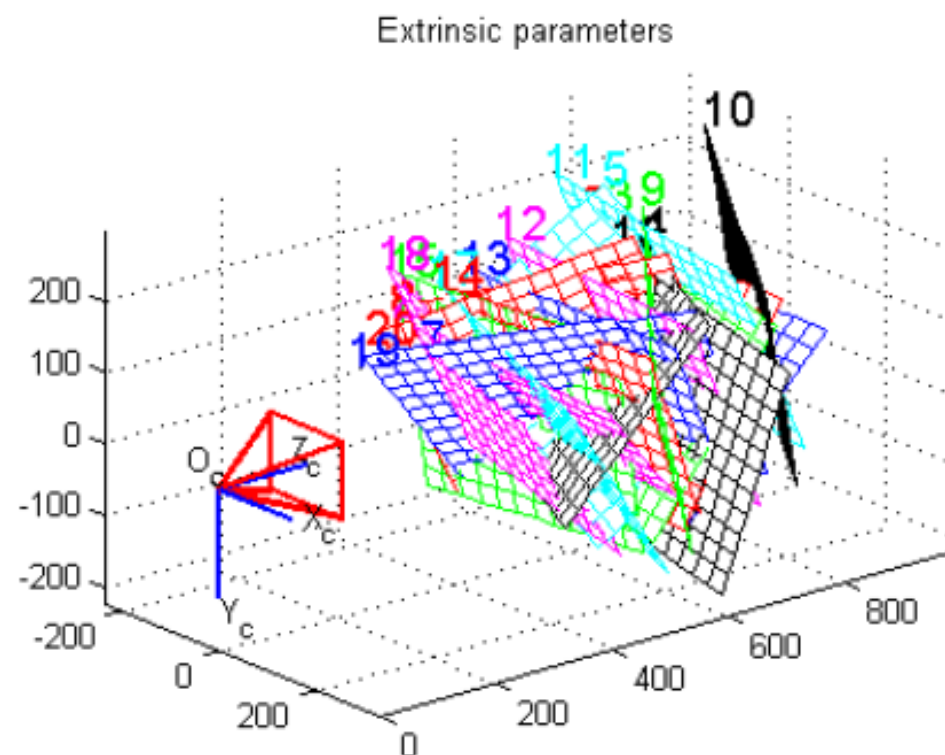


# Calibration Procedure





# Calibration Procedure



Switch to world-centered view

# Calibration Procedure

