Camera Calibration

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First Principles of Computer Vision

Camera Calibration

Method to find a camera's internal and external parameters.

Topics:

- (1) Linear Camera Model
- (2) Camera Calibration
- (3) Extracting Intrinsic and Extrinsic Matrices
- (4) Example Application: Simple Stereo





Linear Camera Model

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Forward Imaging Model: 3D to 2D

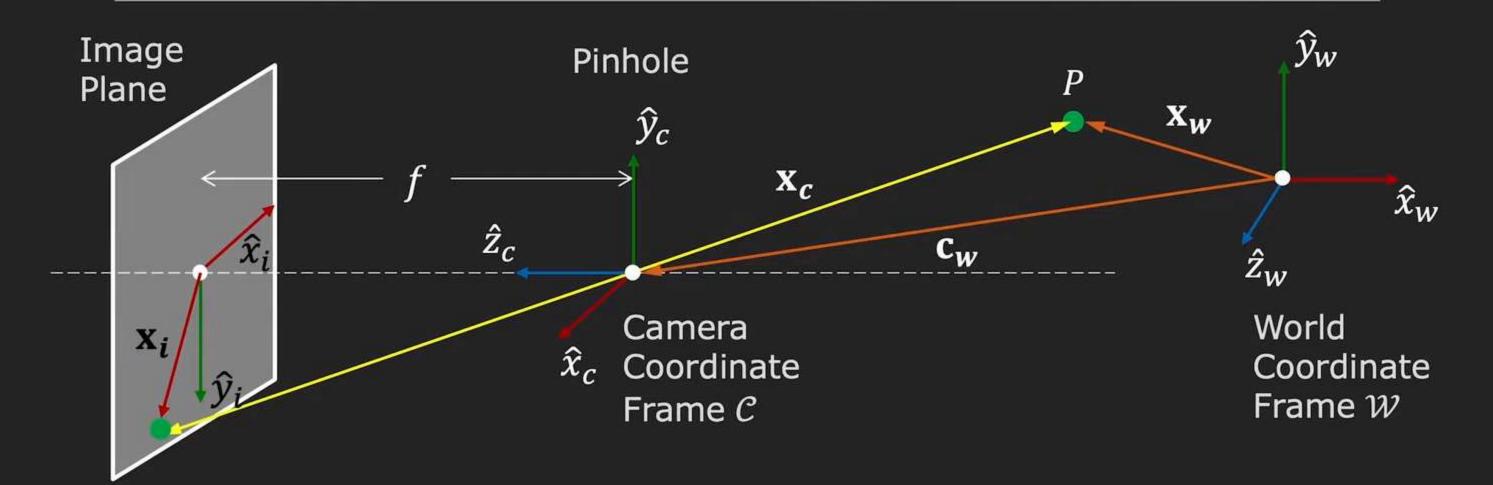


Image Coordinates

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \end{bmatrix}$$

Perspective Projection Camera Coordinates

$$\mathbf{x}_c = \begin{bmatrix} x_c \\ y_c \\ z_c \end{bmatrix}$$

Coordinate Transformation World Coordinates

$$\mathbf{x}_w = \begin{bmatrix} x_w \\ y_w \\ z_w \end{bmatrix}$$

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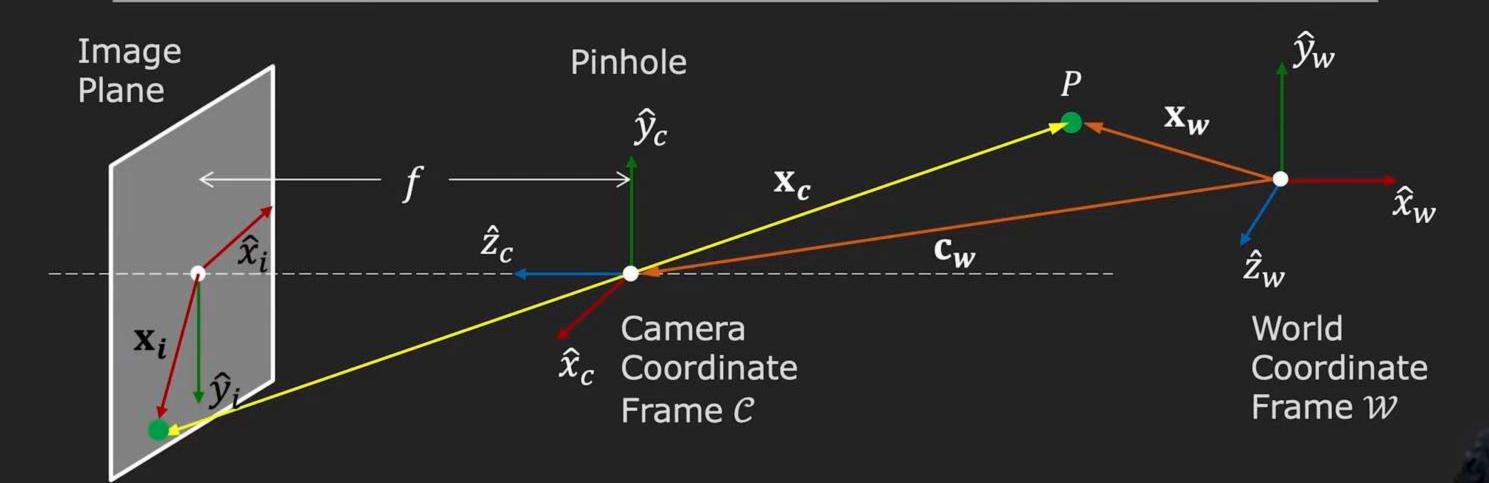


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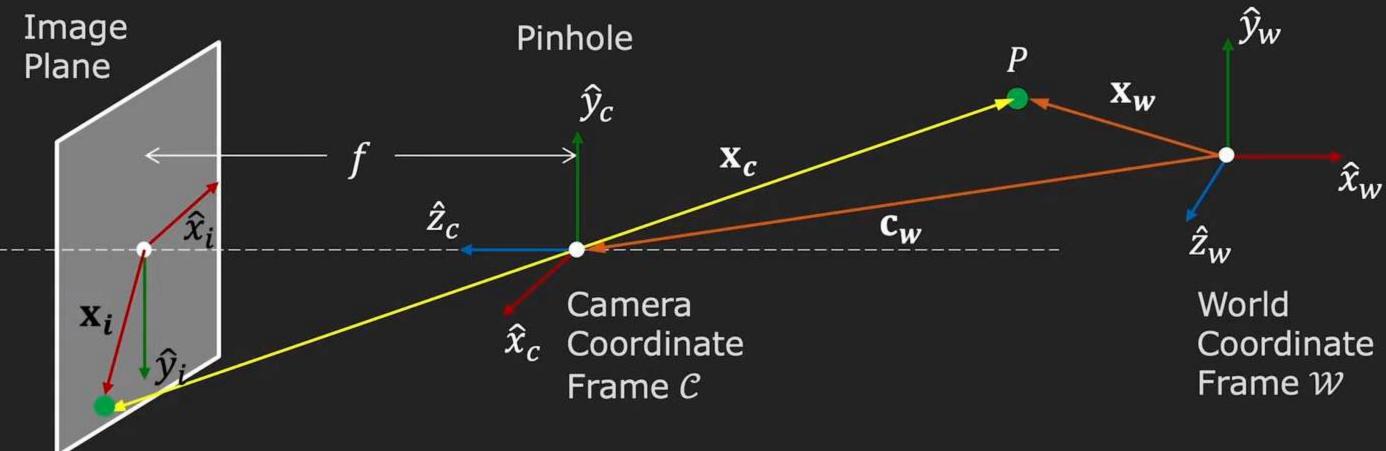
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Perspective Projection



We know that:
$$\frac{x_i}{f} = \frac{x_c}{z_c}$$
 and $\frac{y_i}{f} = \frac{y_c}{z_c}$

Therefore:
$$x_i = f \frac{x_c}{z_c}$$
 and $y_i = f \frac{y_c}{z_c}$

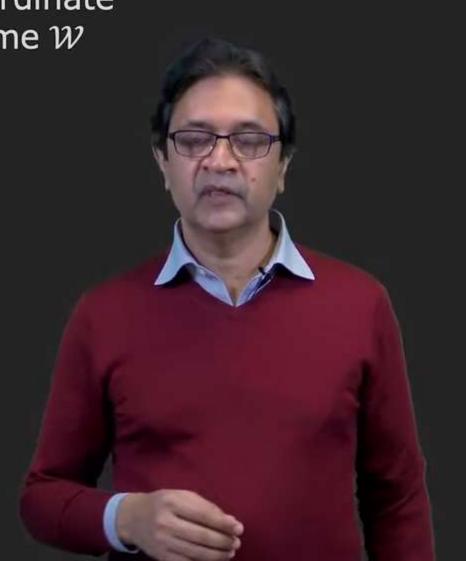


Image Plane to Image Sensor Mapping

Image Plane

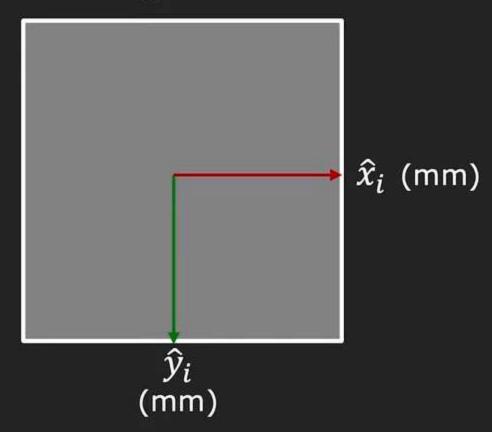
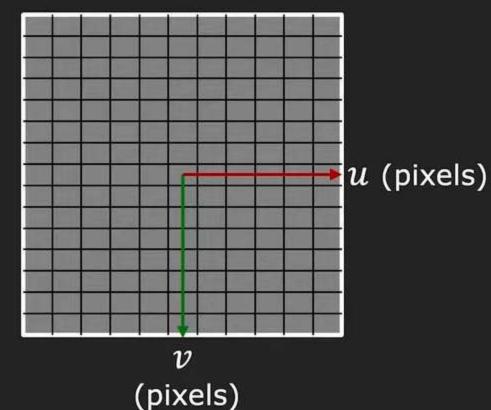


Image Sensor



Pixels may be rectangular.

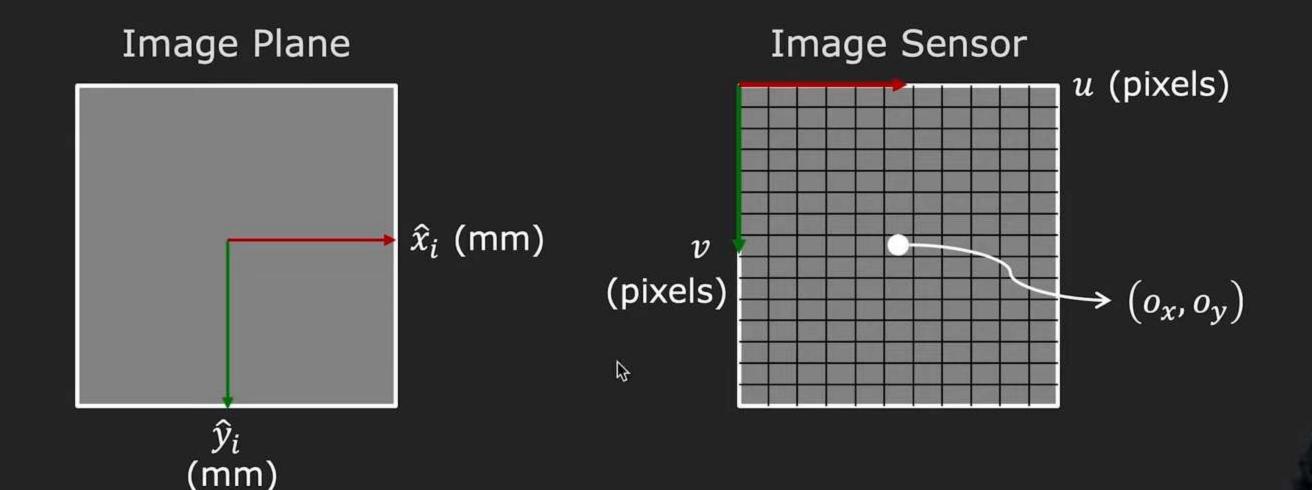
If m_x and m_y are the pixel densities (pixels/mm) in x and y directions, respectively, then pixel coordinates are:

$$u = m_x x_i = m_x f \frac{x_c}{z_c}$$

$$v = m_y y_i = m_y f \frac{y_c}{z_c}$$



Image Plane to Image Sensor Mapping



We usually treat the top-left corner of the image sensor as its origin (easier for indexing). If pixel (o_x, o_y) is the Principle Point where the optical axis pierces the sensor, then:

$$u = m_x f \frac{x_c}{z_c} + o_x \qquad v = m_y f \frac{y_c}{z_c} + o_y$$



Perspective Projection

$$u = m_x f \frac{x_c}{z_c} + o_x \qquad \qquad v = m_y f \frac{y_c}{z_c} + o_y$$

$$u = f_x \frac{x_c}{z_c} + o_x \qquad \qquad v = f_y \frac{y_c}{z_c} + o_y$$

where: $(f_x, f_y) = (m_x f, m_y f)$ are the focal lengths in pixels in the x and y directions.

 (f_x, f_y, o_x, o_y) : Intrinsic parameters of the camera. They represent the camera's internal geometry.

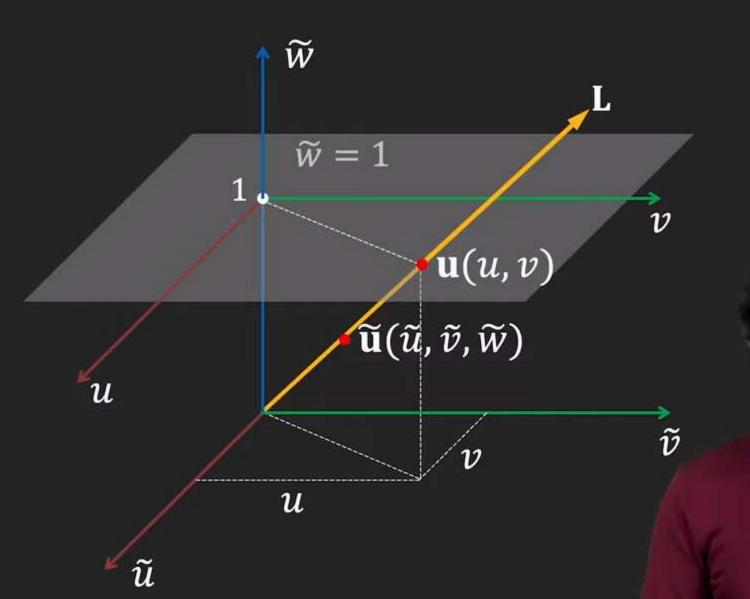


Homogenous Coordinates

The homogenous representation of a 2D point $\mathbf{u} = (u, v)$ is a 3D point $\widetilde{\mathbf{u}} = (\widetilde{u}, \widetilde{v}, \widetilde{w})$. The third coordinate $\widetilde{w} \neq 0$ is fictitious such that:

$$u = \frac{\widetilde{u}}{\widetilde{w}} \qquad v = \frac{\widetilde{v}}{\widetilde{w}}$$

$$\mathbf{u} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{w}u \\ \widetilde{w}v \\ \widetilde{w} \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{u} \\ \widetilde{v} \\ \widetilde{w} \end{bmatrix} = \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}$$



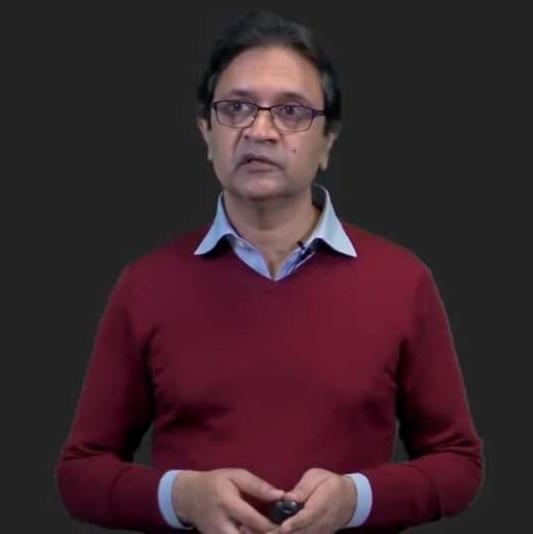
Every point on line L (except origin) repres the homogenous coordinate of $\mathbf{u}(u, v)$

Homogenous Coordinates

The homogenous representation of a 3D point $\mathbf{x} = (x, y, z) \in \mathcal{R}^3$ is a 4D point $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z}, \tilde{w}) \in \mathcal{R}^4$. The fourth coordinate $\tilde{w} \neq 0$ is fictitious such that:

$$x = \frac{\widetilde{x}}{\widetilde{w}}$$
 $y = \frac{\widetilde{y}}{\widetilde{w}}$ $z = \frac{\widetilde{z}}{\widetilde{w}}$

$$\mathbf{x} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{w}x \\ \widetilde{w}y \\ \widetilde{w}z \\ \widetilde{w} \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{x} \\ \widetilde{y} \\ \widetilde{z} \\ \widetilde{w} \end{bmatrix} = \widetilde{\mathbf{x}}$$





Perspective Projection

Perspective projection equations:

$$u = f_x \frac{x_c}{z_c} + o_x \qquad \qquad v = f_y \frac{y_c}{z_c} + o_y$$

Homogenous coordinates of (u, v):

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{u} \\ \widetilde{v} \\ \widetilde{w} \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} z_c u \\ z_c v \\ z_c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x x_c + z_c o_x \\ f_y y_c + z_c o_y \\ z_c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & o_x & 0 \\ 0 & f_y & o_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_c \\ y_c \\ z_c \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where: $(u, v) = (\tilde{u}/_{\widetilde{w}}, \tilde{v}/_{\widetilde{w}})$

Linear Model for Perspective Projection



Intrinsic Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \\ \tilde{w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & o_x & 0 \\ 0 & f_y & o_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_c \\ y_c \\ z_c \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Calibration Matrix:

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & o_x \\ 0 & f_y & o_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Intrinsic Matrix:

$$M_{int} = [K|0] = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & o_x & 0 \\ 0 & f_y & o_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Upper Right Triangular Matrix

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{u}} = [K|0] \, \widetilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\boldsymbol{c}} = M_{int} \, \widetilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\boldsymbol{c}}$$





Forward Imaging Model: 3D to 2D

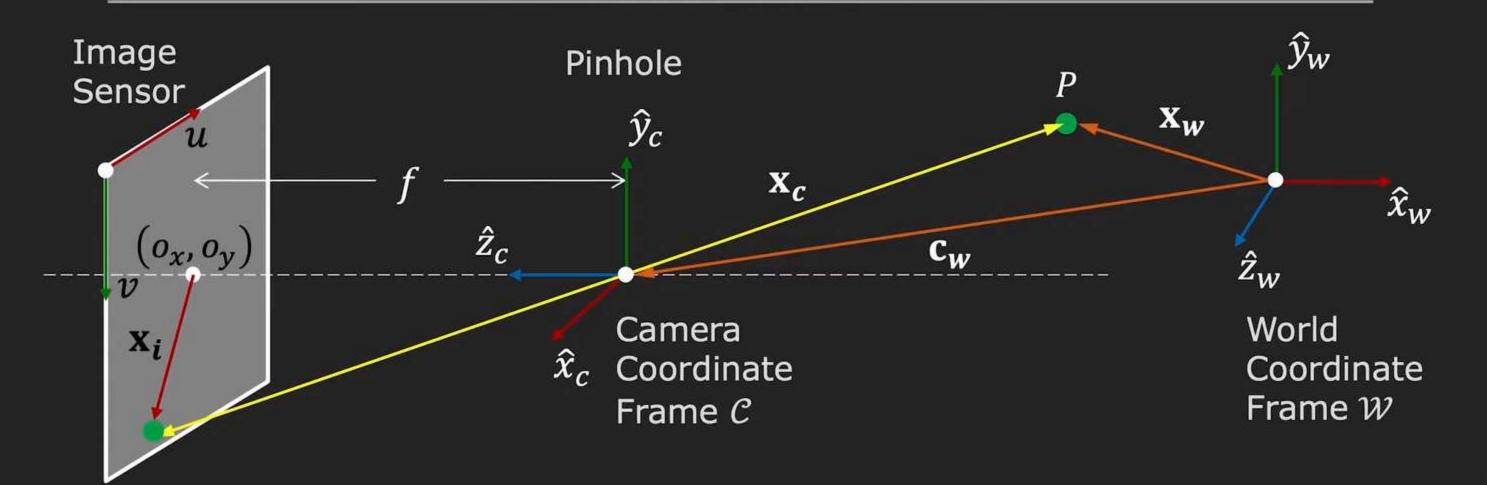


Image Coordinates

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$



Perspective Projection

Camera Coordinates

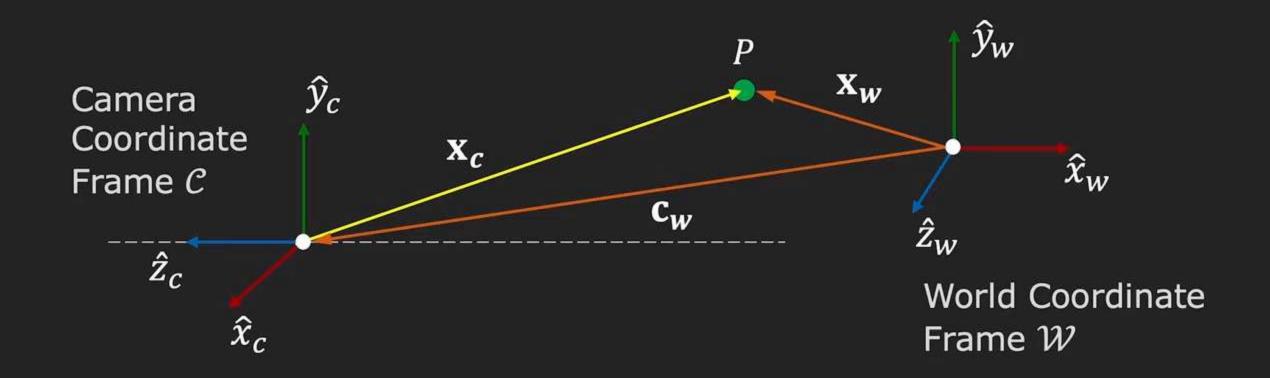
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Coordinate Transformation World Coordinates

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Extrinsic Parameters



Position c_w and Orientation R of the camera in the world coordinate frame W are the camera's Extrinsic Parameters.

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \text{Row 1: Direction of } \hat{x}_c \text{ in world coordinate frame}$$

$$Row 2: \text{Direction of } \hat{y}_c \text{ in world coordinate frame}$$

$$Row 3: \text{Direction of } \hat{z}_c \text{ in world coordinate frame}$$

Orientation/Rotation Matrix R is Orthonormal



Orthonormal Vectors and Matrices

Orthonormal Vectors: Two vectors **u** and **v** are orthonormal if and only if:

$$dot(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} = 0$$
 and $\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} = 1$ (Orthogonality) (Unit length)

Example: The x-, y- and z-axes of \mathbb{R}^3 Euclidean space

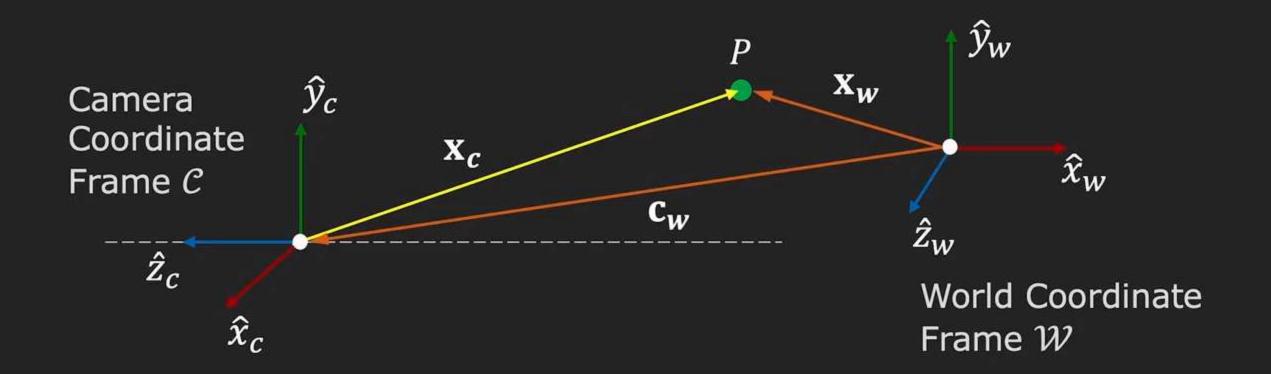
Orthonormal Matrix: A square matrix *R* whose row (or column) vectors are orthonormal. For such a matrix:

$$R^{-1} = R^T \qquad \qquad R^T R = R R^T = I$$

A Rotation Matrix is an Orthonormal Matrix



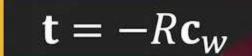
World-to-Camera Transformation



Given the extrinsic parameters (R, \mathbf{c}_w) of the camera, the camera-centric location of the point P in the world coordinate frame is:

$$\mathbf{x}_c = R(\mathbf{x}_w - \mathbf{c}_w) = R\mathbf{x}_w - R\mathbf{c}_w = R\mathbf{x}_w + \mathbf{t}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{c} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{c} \\ y_{c} \\ z_{c} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{w} \\ y_{w} \\ z_{w} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} t_{x} \\ t_{y} \\ t_{z} \end{bmatrix}$$





Extrinsic Matrix

Rewriting using homogenous coordinates:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{c} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{c} \\ y_{c} \\ z_{c} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & t_{x} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & t_{y} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & t_{z} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{w} \\ y_{w} \\ z_{w} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

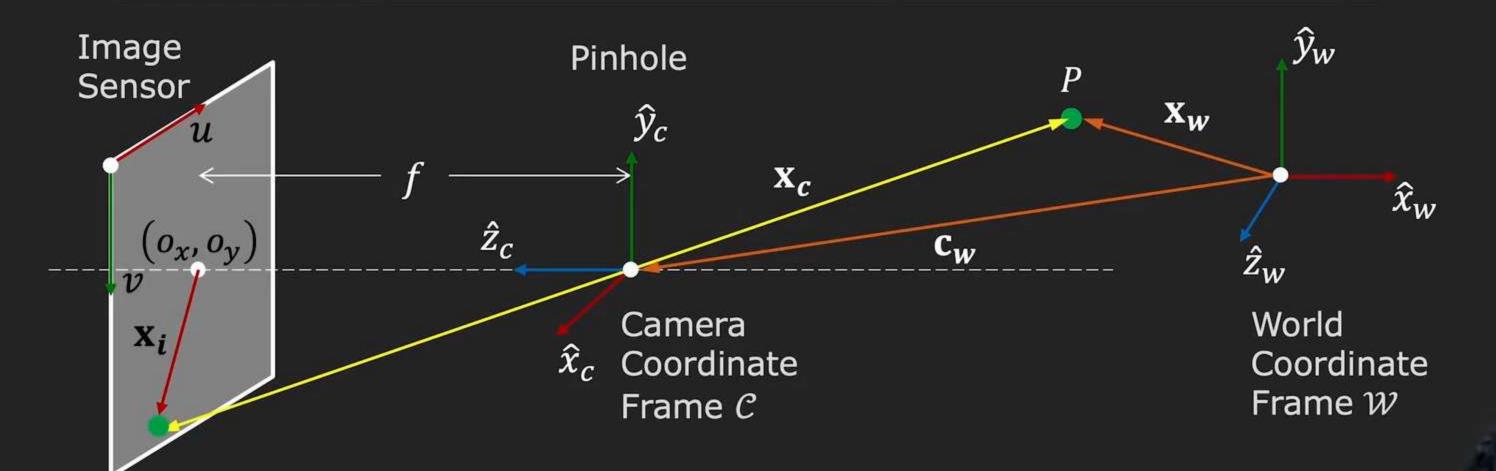
Extrinsic Matrix:
$$M_{ext} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{3\times3} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1\times3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & t_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & t_y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{c} = M_{ext}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{w}$$





Forward Imaging Model: 3D to 2D





$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$



Perspective Projection

Camera Coordinates

$$\mathbf{x}_c = \begin{bmatrix} x_c \\ y_c \\ z_c \end{bmatrix}$$

Coordinate Transformation

 M_{ext}

World Coordinates

$$\mathbf{x}_w = \begin{bmatrix} x_w \\ y_w \\ z_w \end{bmatrix}$$

Projection Matrix P

Camera to Pixel

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \\ \tilde{w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & o_x & 0 \\ 0 & f_y & o_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_c \\ y_c \\ z_c \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{u}} = M_{int} \, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_c$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_c = M_{ext}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_w$$

Combining the above two equations, we get the full projection matrix P:

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{u}} = M_{int} M_{ext} \, \widetilde{\mathbf{x}}_{w} = P \, \widetilde{\mathbf{x}}_{w}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \\ \tilde{w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} & p_{13} & p_{14} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} & p_{23} & p_{24} \\ p_{31} & p_{32} & p_{33} & p_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_w \\ y_w \\ z_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



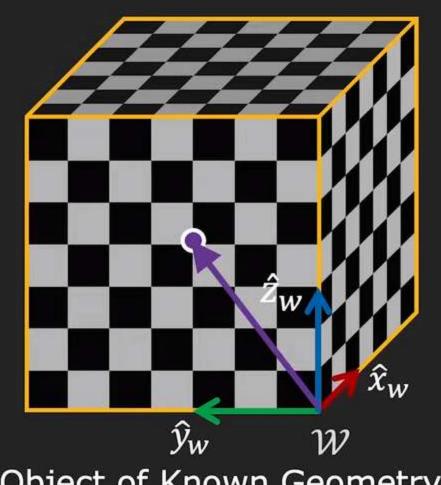
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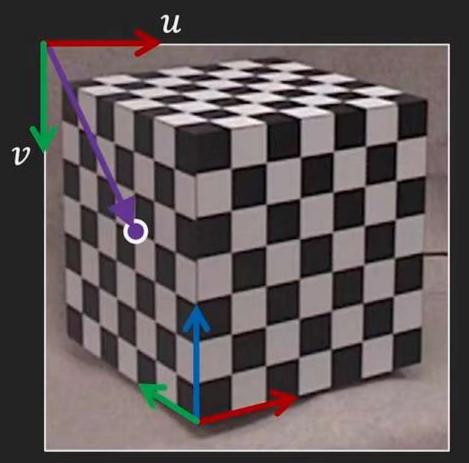
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Step 2: Identify correspondences between 3D scene points and image points.



Object of Known Geometry

$$\mathbf{o} \ \mathbf{x}_{w} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{w} \\ y_{w} \\ z_{w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (inches)



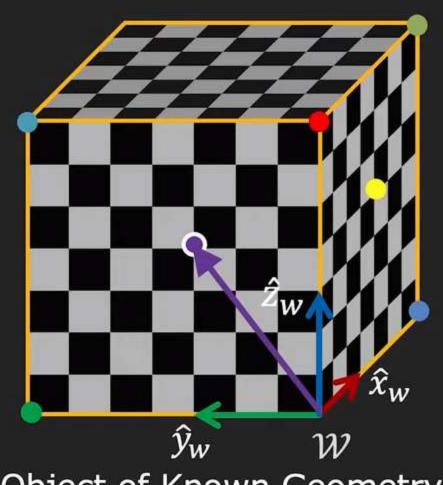
Captured Image

$$\mathbf{o} \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 56 \\ 115 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (pixels)



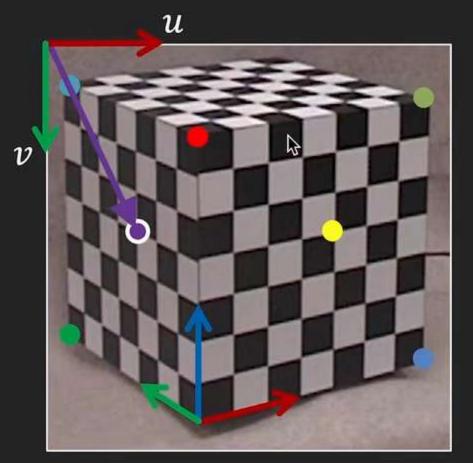


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Step 3: For each corresponding point *i* in scene and image:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u^{(i)} \\ v^{(i)} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} & p_{13} & p_{14} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} & p_{23} & p_{24} \\ p_{31} & p_{32} & p_{33} & p_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_w^{(i)} \\ y_w^{(i)} \\ z_w^{(i)} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 Known Unknown Known

Expanding the matrix as linear equations:

$$u^{(i)} = \frac{p_{11}x_w^{(i)} + p_{12}y_w^{(i)} + p_{13}z_w^{(i)} + p_{14}}{p_{31}x_w^{(i)} + p_{32}y_w^{(i)} + p_{33}z_w^{(i)} + p_{34}}$$

$$v^{(i)} = \frac{p_{21}x_w^{(i)} + p_{22}y_w^{(i)} + p_{23}z_w^{(i)} + p_{24}}{p_{31}x_w^{(i)} + p_{32}y_w^{(i)} + p_{33}z_w^{(i)} + p_{34}}$$

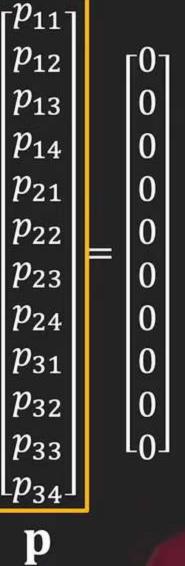


Step 4: Rearranging the terms

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Step 5: Solve for p

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





Scale of Projection Matrix

Projection matrix acts on homogenous coordinates.

We know that:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{u} \\ \widetilde{v} \\ \widetilde{w} \end{bmatrix} \equiv k \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{u} \\ \widetilde{v} \\ \widetilde{w} \end{bmatrix} \quad (k \neq 0 \text{ is any constant})$$

That is:

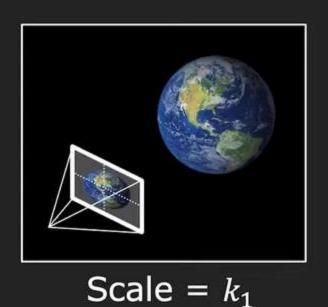
$$\begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} & p_{13} & p_{14} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} & p_{23} & p_{24} \\ p_{31} & p_{32} & p_{33} & p_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_w \\ y_w \\ z_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \equiv k \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} & p_{13} & p_{14} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} & p_{23} & p_{24} \\ p_{31} & p_{32} & p_{33} & p_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_w \\ y_w \\ z_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

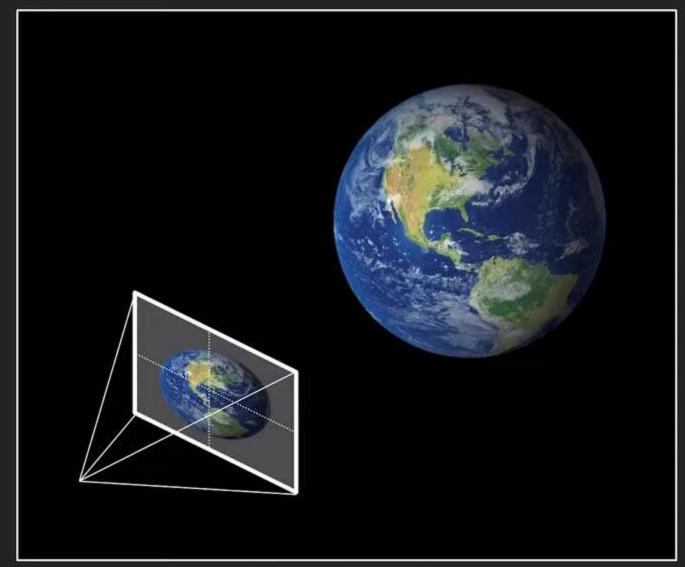
Therefore, Projection Matrices P and kP produce the same homogenous pixel coordinates.

Projection Matrix P is defined only up to a scale.



Scale of Projection Matrix





Scale = k_2

Scaling projection matrix, implies simultaneously scaling the world and camera, which does not change the image.

Set projection matrix to some arbitrary scale!

Least Squares Solution for P

Option 1: Set scale so that: $p_{34} = 1$

Option 2: Set scale so that: $\|\mathbf{p}\|^2 = 1$

We want $A\mathbf{p}$ as close to 0 as possible and $\|\mathbf{p}\|^2 = 1$:

$$\min_{\mathbf{p}} \|A\mathbf{p}\|^2 \text{ such that } \|\mathbf{p}\|^2 = 1$$

 $\min_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}^T A^T A \mathbf{p}) \text{ such that } \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{p} = 1$

Define Loss function $L(\mathbf{p}, \lambda)$:

$$L(\mathbf{p},\lambda) = \mathbf{p}^T A^T A \mathbf{p} - \lambda (\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{p} - 1)$$

(Similar to Solving Homography in Image Stitching)





Constrained Least Squares Solution

Taking derivatives of $L(\mathbf{p}, \lambda)$ w.r.t \mathbf{p} : $2A^TA\mathbf{p} - 2\lambda\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$

$$A^T A \mathbf{p} = \lambda \mathbf{p}$$
 Eigenvalue Problem

Eigenvector \mathbf{p} with smallest eigenvalue λ of matrix A^TA minimizes the loss function $L(\mathbf{p})$.

Rearrange solution \mathbf{p} to form the projection matrix P.



Intrinsic and Extrinsic Matrices

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Extracting Intrinsic/Extrinsic Parameters

We know that:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} & p_{13} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} & p_{23} \\ p_{31} & p_{32} & p_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_{14} & r_{12} & r_{13} & t_x \\ p_{24} & p_{24} & p_{34} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & o_x & 0 \\ 0 & f_y & o_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & t_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & t_y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_{int} \qquad M_{ext}$$

That is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} & p_{13} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} & p_{23} \\ p_{31} & p_{32} & p_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & o_x \\ 0 & f_y & o_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix} = KR$$

Given that K is an Upper Right Triangular matrix and R is an Orthonormal matrix, it is possible to uniquely "decouple" K and R from their product using "QR factorization".



Extracting Intrinsic/Extrinsic Parameters

We know that:

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That is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_{14} \\ p_{24} \\ p_{34} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & o_x \\ 0 & f_y & o_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \\ t_z \end{bmatrix} = K\mathbf{t}$$

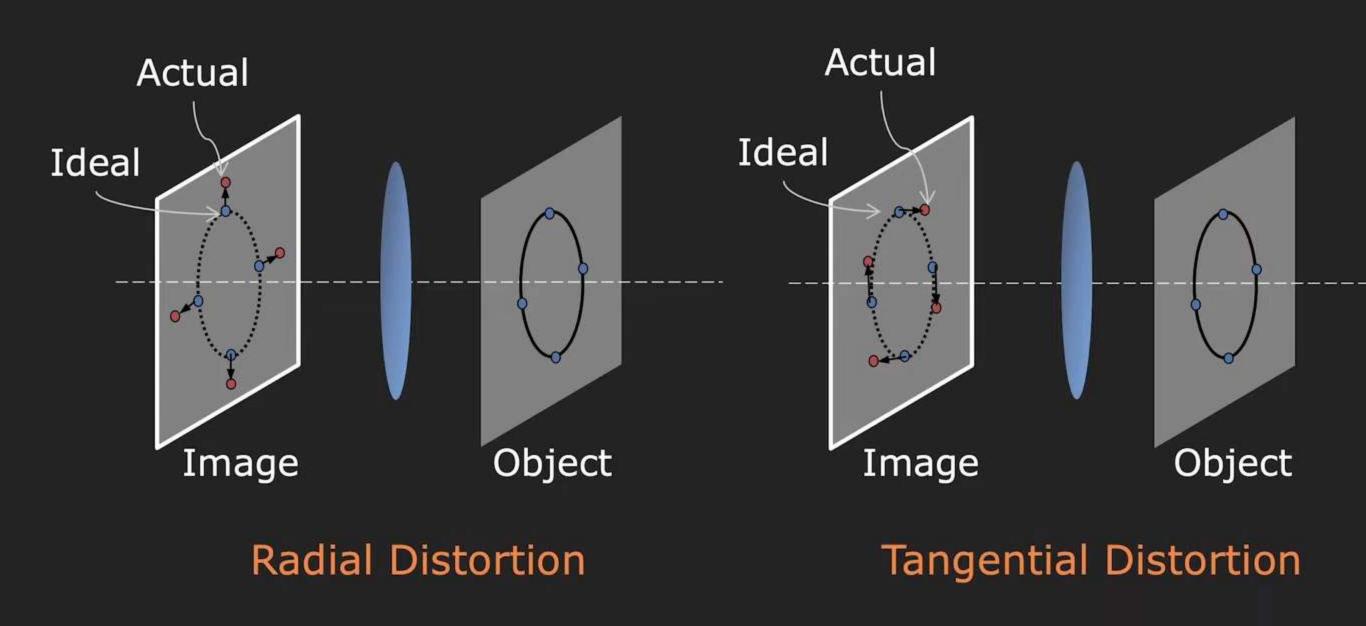
Therefore:

$$\mathbf{t}_{k} = K^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} p_{14} \\ p_{24} \\ p_{34} \end{bmatrix}$$



Other Intrinsic Parameters

Pinholes do not exhibit image distortions. But, lenses do!



The intrinsic model of the camera will need to include the distortion coefficients. We ignore distortions here.

