

# PnP

## 5. PnP

### 5.0 Introduction

#### 5.0.1 What is the Perspective n Points (PnP) problem?



**Given:** known 3D landmarks positions in the **world frame** and given their 2D image correspondences in the **camera frame**.



**Determine:** 6DOF pose of the camera (or camera motion) in the world frame (including the intrinsic parameters if uncalibrated).

- However, if the 3D position of the feature points is known, then at least 3 point pairs (and at least one additional point verification result) are needed to estimate camera motion. (This is P3P)

#### 5.0.2 The P3P/Spatial Resection Problem

Given:

- 3D coordinates of object points  $X_i$
- 2D image coordinates  $x_i$  of corresponding object points
- $K$  matrix, it is a **calibrated camera**.

Find:

- Extrinsic parameters  $R, X_O$  of the **calibrated** camera (unlike DLT)

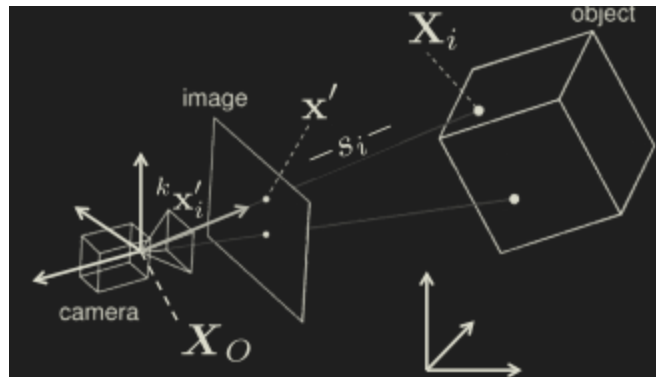
#### 5.0.3 Difference between P3P and DLT

- P3P/Spatial Resection for calibrated cameras
  - 6 unknowns, so at least 3 points are needed

- DLT for uncalibrated cameras (seen)
  - 11 unknowns, so at least 6 points are needed

## 5.1 Solution to P3P

### 5.1.1 Revisiting normalized coordinates

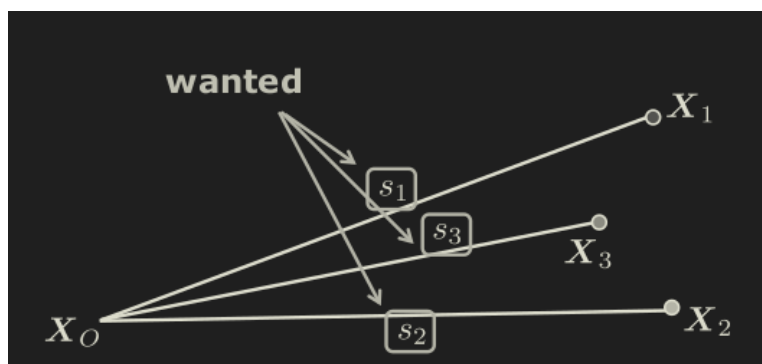


$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} [I_3 | -X_O] \mathbf{X}$$

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

### 5.1.2 Two step process

1. Length of projection rays
2. Orientation

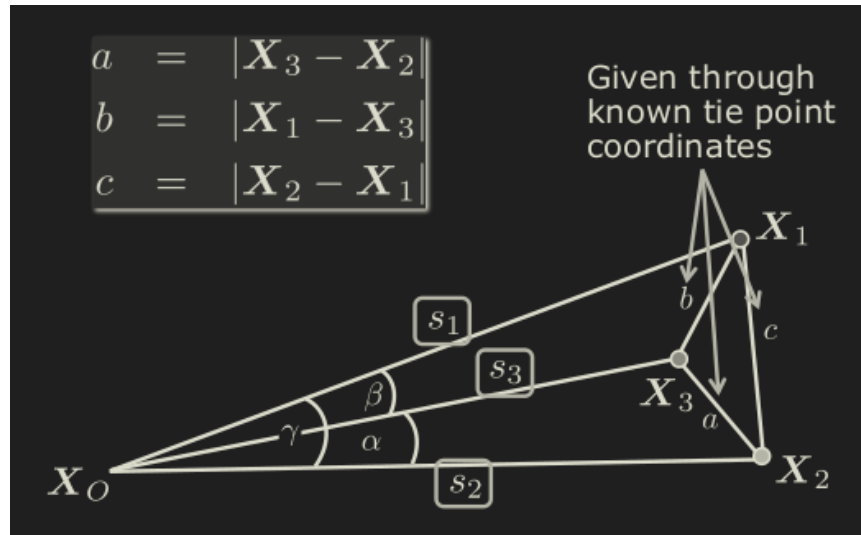




Clarity about camera frame and world frame: angles and distances between points

### 5.1.3 Length of projection rays

1. Do we know a, b, c?



2. Do we know angles?

$$\cos \gamma = \frac{(X_1 - X_0) \cdot (X_2 - X_0)}{\|X_1 - X_0\| \|X_2 - X_0\|}$$

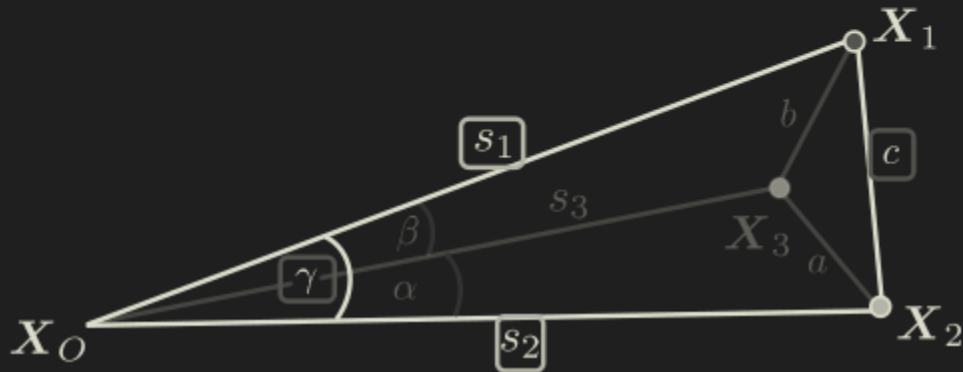
Clue: Normalized Coords

Cosine rule:

In triangle  $X_0, X_1, X_2$

$$s_1^2 + s_2^2 - 2 \boxed{s_1} \boxed{s_2} \cos \boxed{\gamma} = \boxed{c^2}$$

wanted                  known



$$a^2 = s_2^2 + s_3^2 - 2s_2s_3 \cos \alpha \quad - (1)$$

$$b^2 = s_1^2 + s_3^2 - 2s_1s_3 \cos \beta \quad - (2)$$

$$c^2 = s_1^2 + s_2^2 - 2s_1s_2 \cos \gamma \quad - (3)$$

We have:  $a^2 = s_2^2 + s_3^2 - 2s_2s_3 \cos \alpha$

Define:  $u = \frac{s_2}{s_1} \quad v = \frac{s_3}{s_1} \quad - (4)$

$$\implies a^2 = s_1^2 (u^2 + v^2 - 2uv \cos \alpha)$$

$$\begin{aligned} s_1^2 &= \frac{a^2}{u^2 + v^2 - 2uv \cos \alpha} \\ &= \frac{b^2}{1 + v^2 - 2v \cos \beta} \\ &= \frac{c^2}{1 + u^2 - 2u \cos \gamma} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$b^2 = s_1^2 + s_3^2 - 2s_1s_3 \cos \beta$$

$$c^2 = s_1^2 + s_2^2 - 2s_1s_2 \cos \gamma$$

Substitute  $u$  in other equation — **4th degree polynomial**:

$$A_4 v^4 + A_3 v^3 + A_2 v^2 + A_1 v + A_0 = 0$$

$$A_4 = \left( \frac{a^2 - c^2}{b^2} - 1 \right)^2 - \frac{4c^2}{b^2} \cos^2 \alpha$$

$$A_3 = 4 \left[ \frac{a^2 - c^2}{b^2} \left( 1 - \frac{a^2 - c^2}{b^2} \right) \cos \beta \right. \\ \left. - \left( 1 - \frac{a^2 + c^2}{b^2} \right) \cos \alpha \cos \gamma + 2 \frac{c^2}{b^2} \cos^2 \alpha \cos \beta \right]$$

$$A_2 = 2 \left[ \left( \frac{a^2 - c^2}{b^2} \right)^2 - 1 + 2 \left( \frac{a^2 - c^2}{b^2} \right)^2 \cos^2 \beta \right. \\ \left. + 2 \left( \frac{b^2 - c^2}{b^2} \right) \cos^2 \alpha \right. \\ \left. - 4 \left( \frac{a^2 + c^2}{b^2} \right) \cos \alpha \cos \beta \cos \gamma \right. \\ \left. + 2 \left( \frac{b^2 - a^2}{b^2} \right) \cos^2 \gamma \right]$$

$$A_1 = 4 \left[ - \left( \frac{a^2 - c^2}{b^2} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{a^2 - c^2}{b^2} \right) \cos \beta \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2a^2}{b^2} \cos^2 \gamma \cos \beta \right. \\ \left. - \left( 1 - \left( \frac{a^2 + c^2}{b^2} \right) \right) \cos \alpha \cos \gamma \right]$$

$$A_0 = \left( 1 + \frac{a^2 - c^2}{b^2} \right)^2 - \frac{4a^2}{b^2} \cos^2 \gamma$$

But upto 4 possible solutions possible. So we consider 4th point to confirm the right solution:

So say we know 2D-3D correspondence of  $(x, X)$  of 4th point, say  $(x_4, X_4)$ . Just substitute  $X$  of 4th point (we know the K matrix) and the possible solutions of  $R, t$  in our camera equation and only one solution will give you the right  $(x_4)$ .

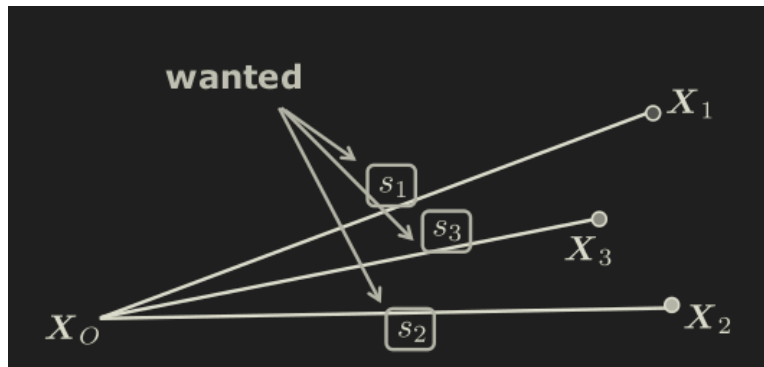
#### 5.1.4 Transformation between camera frame and world frame

$${}^cX_1 = s_1 {}^c\hat{X}_1$$

$${}^cX_2 = s_2 {}^c\hat{X}_2$$

$${}^cX_3 = s_3 {}^c\hat{X}_3$$

Now the question becomes: I have 3 points in one frame and same 3 points in another frame: I can use ICP now.



$$P = {}^wX - {}^w\bar{X}, \quad Q = {}^cX - {}^c\bar{X}$$

Let

$$\text{Covariance Matrix: } S = PQ^T$$

$$\mathbf{SVD}(S) = UDV^T$$

$$\text{Rotation : } R = VU^T$$

$$\text{Translation: } t = \bar{x} - R\bar{X}$$