

# Lab Report 01 - Camera Calibration

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## 1 Data Normalization

In order to normalize the point correspondences, these need to first be shifted and then rescaled. This way ensures, that the scaling does not influence the shifting. The Centroid is computed as the mean of all points, by summing them dividing them by their total number. Afterwards the scaling factors are calculated as follows with the example in x direction:

$$s_x = \sqrt{n / \sum(x^2)}$$

The scaling and shifting can then be written in the respective matrices  $T$  and  $U$ .

Since first the shifting and afterwards the scaling is applied, the respective scaling factor has to be applied also to the shifting offset.

## 2 Direct Linear Transform

As described in the exercise, the DLT Algorithm is used to calibrate the camera. In the beginning, all points are normalized to compute matrix  $A$ , which is calculated with the respective 2D and 3D points. The results of the different points are then appended underneath the existing matrix. This results in a Matrix  $A$  which yields zero is multiplied with the projection matrix.  $AP = 0$  Therefore,  $P$  is the null-vector of  $A$ , which can be found using the Singular Value Decomposition. In the end,  $P$  gets denormalized to continue with the QR-Decomposition.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 77.3584 & -3.3989 & -12.7338 & -570.8504 \\ 25.6914 & 42.2237 & 53.6358 & -743.6380 \\ 0.0251 & 0.0401 & -0.0170 & -0.6581 \end{bmatrix}$$

The QR-Decomposition of  $P$  results in the intrinsic Camera matrix  $K$ , the Rotation Matrix  $R$  and the camera center  $C$ :

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} -0.0005 & 0.0002 & 0.0003 \\ 0 & 0.9101 & 0.1885 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9820 & -0.1780 & -0.0634 \\ -0.1859 & -0.9702 & -0.1555 \\ -0.0338 & 0.1645 & -0.9858 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$t = \begin{bmatrix} -5.7418 \\ 12.9930 \\ -0.8810 \end{bmatrix}$$

*Error* = 2.3907

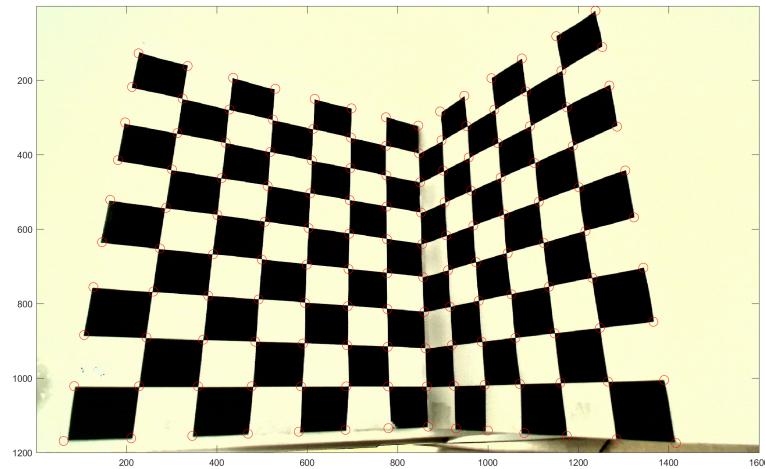


Figure 1: DLT: Reprojected Chess Board Corners

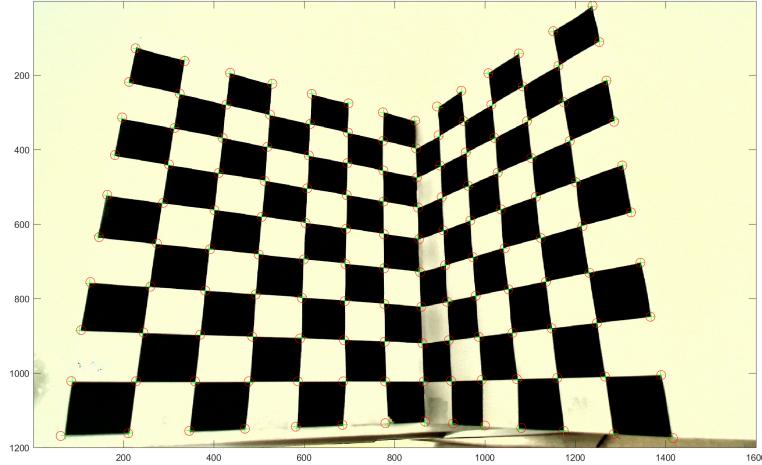


Figure 2: DLT: Original and Reprojected Chess Board Corners

If  $xy$  and  $XYZ$  are not normalized before applying the Direct Linear Transform the error is slightly smaller:

$$Error = 2.3880$$

This means that with the used dataset all calculations have to be far away from any singularities. It seems that for this specific dataset a normalization would not have been needed. Nevertheless, one datapoint is far not enough for a generalized conclusion.

### 3 Gold Standard Algorithm

The Golden Standard uses the DLT Algorithm as an basis to improve upon.  $P_{normalized}$  is iteratively improved with the optimization algorithm fmin-search to reduce the reprojection error. Same as in DLT, points are normalized and denormalized before and after the calculation.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 77.2903 & -3.5770 & -12.6734 & -570.6325 \\ 25.6226 & 42.1398 & 53.6676 & -743.5304 \\ 0.0250 & 0.0400 & -0.0169 & -0.6580 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} -0.0005 & 0.0002 & 0.0003 \\ 0 & 0.9106 & 0.1870 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1420 & -0.9880 & -0.0611 \\ -0.9790 & -0.1310 & -0.1564 \\ 0.1466 & 0.0820 & -0.9858 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$t = \begin{bmatrix} 10.5131 \\ 9.5474 \\ -1.3733 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Error = 2.3681$$

As can be seen the error is smaller than with normalized and unnormalized LTR.

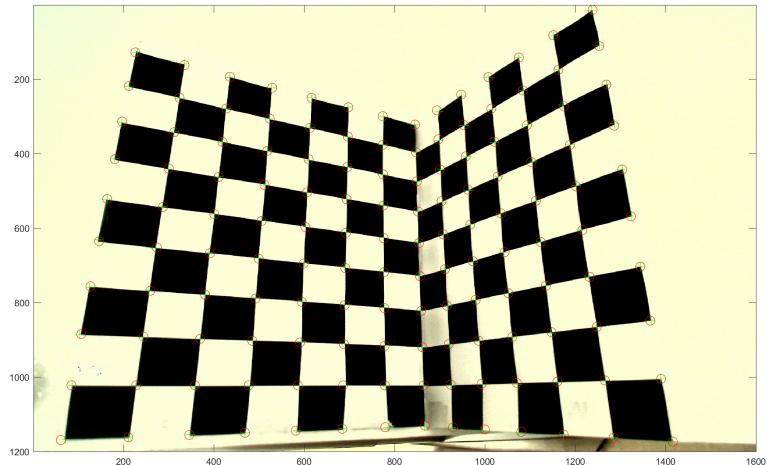


Figure 3: GSA: Original and Reprojected Chess Board Corners

## 4 Discussion

As could be seen the LTR method gives already very accurate reprojections of points. This results can be further improved with the Golden Standart optimization algorithm.

Unexpectatly the not normalized LTR yielded slightly better results than the normalized LTR algorithm. As has been observed the normalization algorithm doesn't yield perfect results due to numerical rounding. It was observed, that for example the mean offset after normalization could still be in the order of magnitude of  $10^{-14}$ . This might be a possible explanation for the slightly better performance of the non normalized LTR in this case.