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Robot Perception

Single View Geometry

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Overview

+ AprilTags

* Homography Estimation

++ Ax=b, Ax=0

* Camera Calibration, Zhang's method

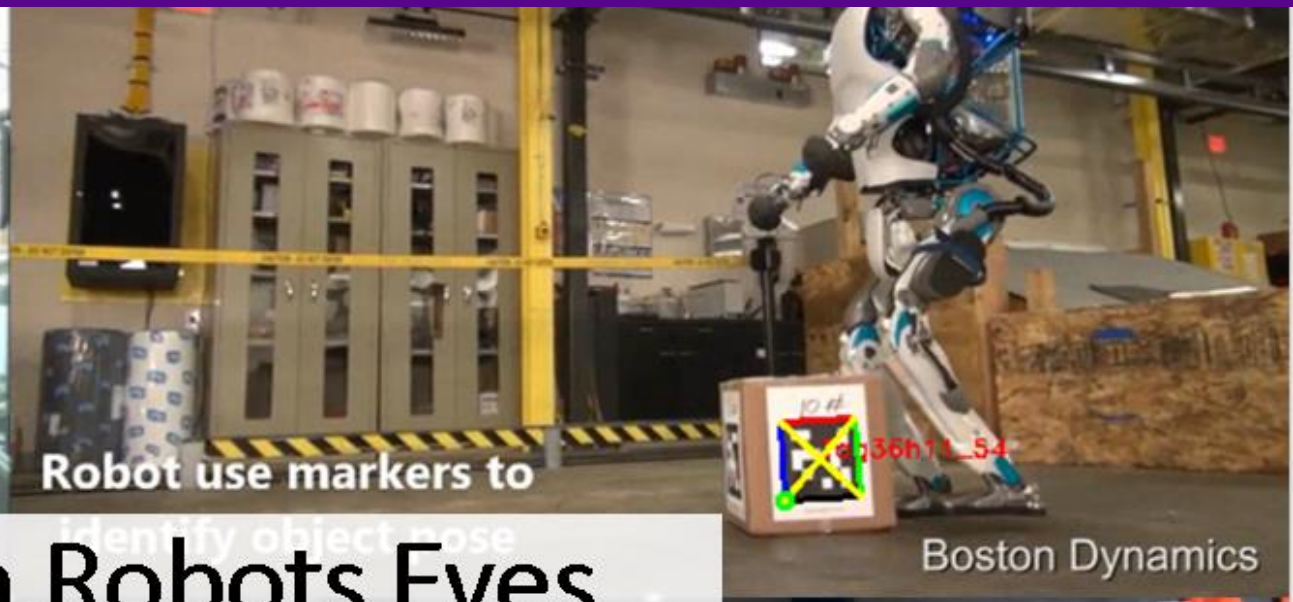
+ DLT

+ Vanishing Points & Lines

*: know how to code
++: know how to derive
+: know the concept

References

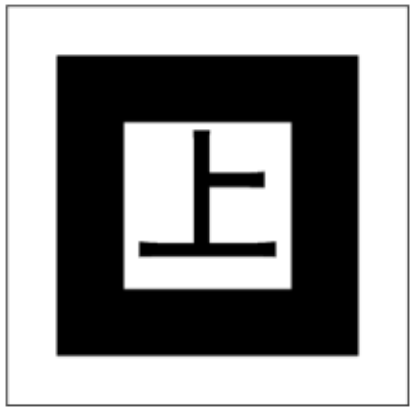
- HZ2003:
  - Section 2.3, 4.1, 4.4, 7.1, 7.2, 7.4, 8.6
- FP2011:
  - Section 1.2, 1.3, 12.1
- Sz2022:
  - Section 11.1, 11.4.5
- Co2011:
  - Section 11.2, 11.1
- Linear algebra:
  - Sz2011: section A.1.1, A.1.2, A.1.3, A.2, A.2.1
  - HZ2003: A5.1, A5.2, A5.3



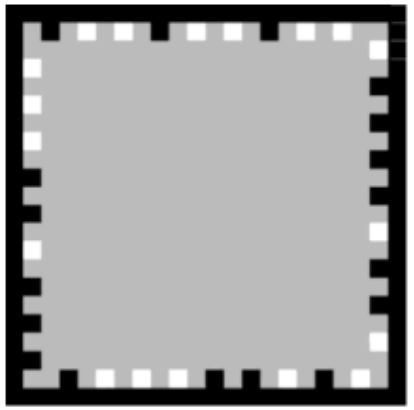
The World in Robots Eyes

Fiducial Markers: More Than QR Codes

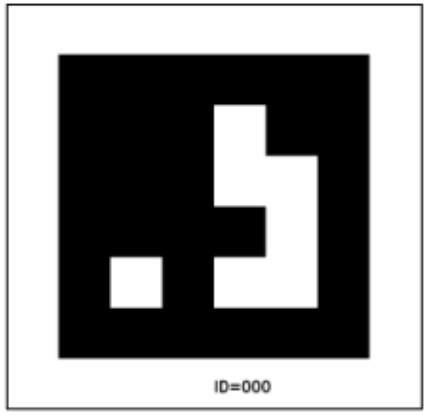
Fiducial:



(Kato and Billinghurst 1999)



(Wagner et al. 2008)



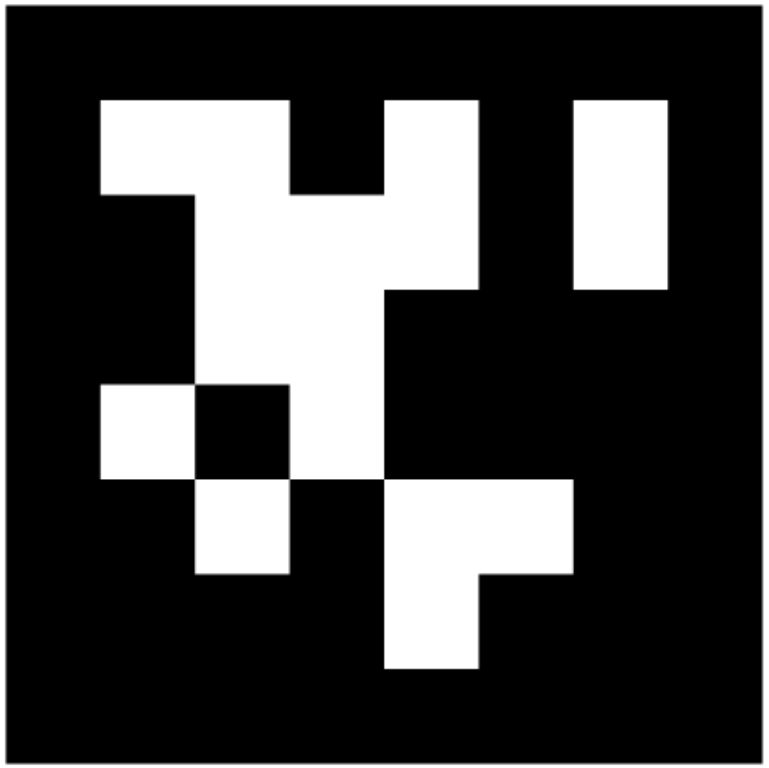
(Olson 2011)

Natural:
(Lepetit and Fua 2005)

https://developer.vuforia.com/library/articles/Solution/Natural-Features-and-Ratings

(Feng and Kamat 2013)

What Is an AprilTag?



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[110101011101011000101000010110000100]$$

$$\begin{cases} id = 0 \\ family = Tag36h11 \end{cases}$$

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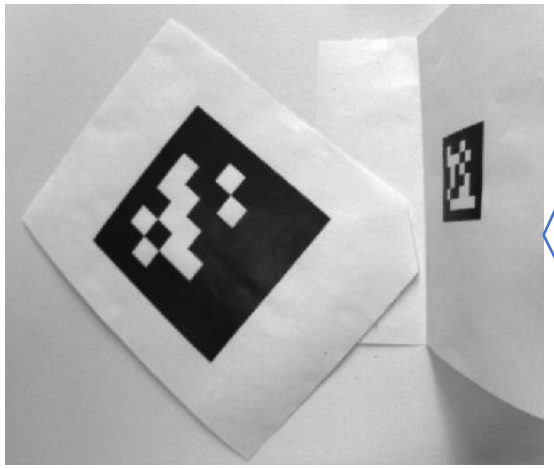
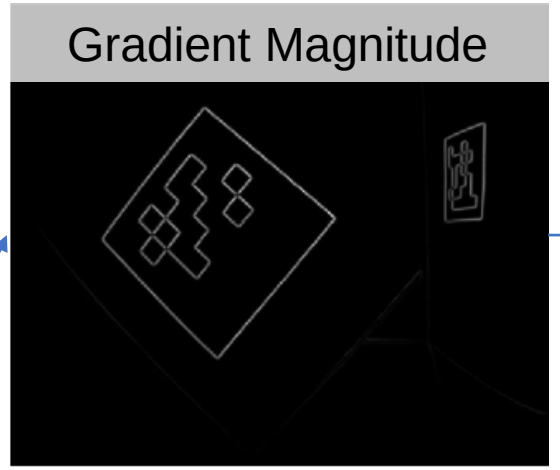
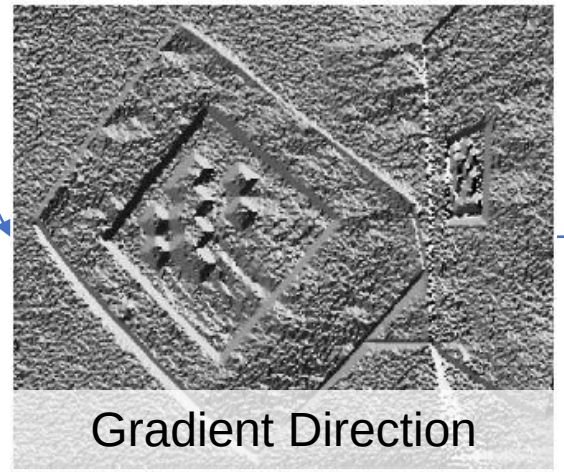
How Is an AprilTag Detected?



Input Gray-scale Image



Gradient Magnitude



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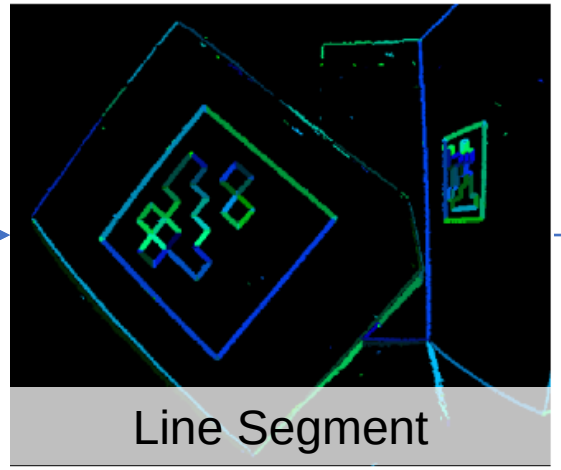
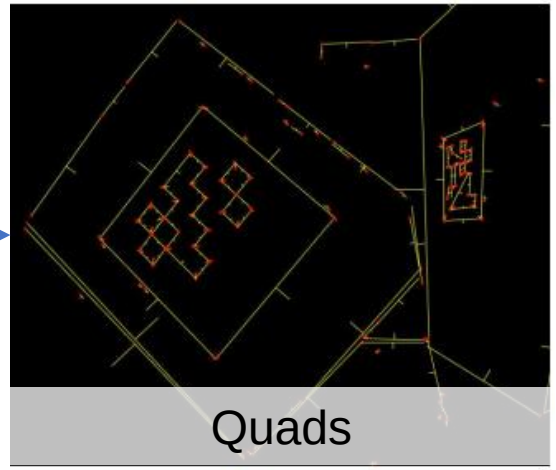


Line Segment



Quads

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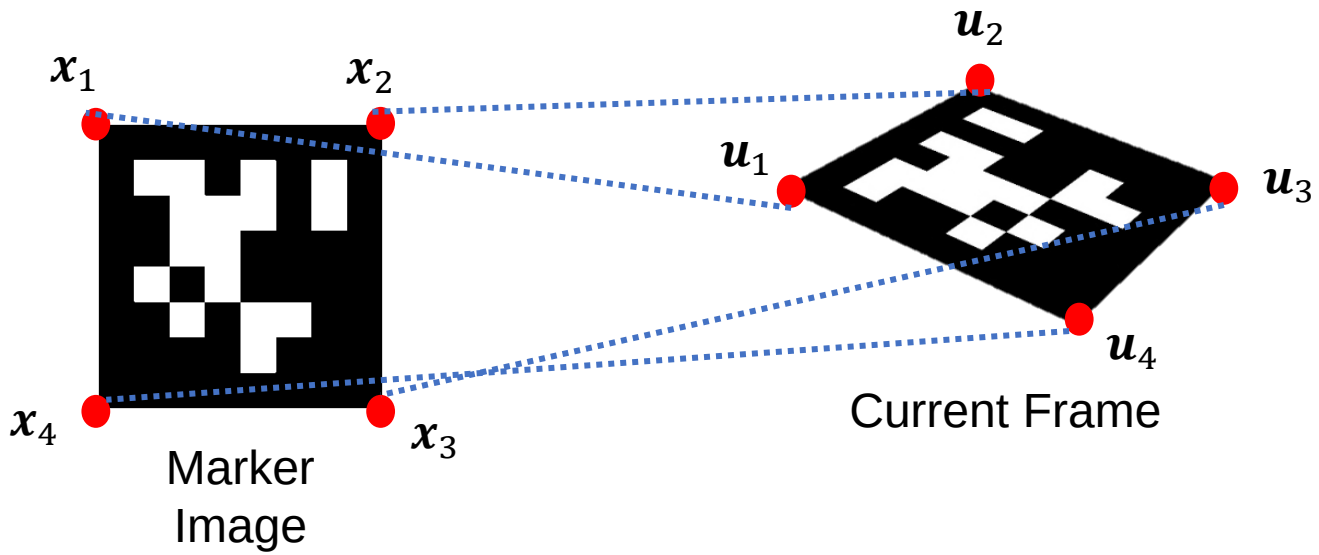
Advantages of AprilTag

- Fast
  - >25Hz for 640x480 webcam Image on normal laptop
- Robust
  - Higher detection rate
  - Fewer false alarm
- Larger Range
  - Distance
  - View direction
  - Illumination

Max Detectable Distance (m)		Marker Angle (degree)			
		0	45	0	45
Marker Size (m^2)	0.2 x 0.2	6.10	4.88	11.28	8.84
	0.3 x 0.3	8.23	7.01	14.94	11.58
	0.46 x 0.46	13.41	11.28	25.91	21.64
	0.6 x 0.6	19.51	16.46	34.44	30.48
Image Resolution		640 x 480		1280 x 960	
Focal Length		850 pixels		1731 pixels	
Processing Rate		20 Hz		5 Hz	

AprilTags Provide Point Correspondences



- Useful for many projective geometry applications

Homography == Projective Transformation

Definition 2.9. A *projectivity* is an invertible mapping h from $\mathbb{P}^2$ to itself such that three points $\mathbf{x}_1$, $\mathbf{x}_2$ and $\mathbf{x}_3$ lie on the same line if and only if $h(\mathbf{x}_1)$, $h(\mathbf{x}_2)$ and $h(\mathbf{x}_3)$ do.

- They all mean the same thing:
  - Homography
  - Projectivity
  - Collineation

Theorem 2.10. *A mapping $h : \mathbb{P}^2 \to \mathbb{P}^2$ is a projectivity if and only if there exists a non-singular 3×3 matrix $\mathtt{H}$ such that for any point in $\mathbb{P}^2$ represented by a vector $\mathbf{x}$ it is true that $h(\mathbf{x}) = \mathtt{H}\mathbf{x}$.*

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Homography == Projective Transformation

Definition 2.11. Projective transformation. A planar projective transformation is a linear transformation on homogeneous 3-vectors represented by a non-singular 3×3 matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}, \tag{2.5}$$

or more briefly, $\mathbf{x}' = \mathtt{H}\mathbf{x}$.

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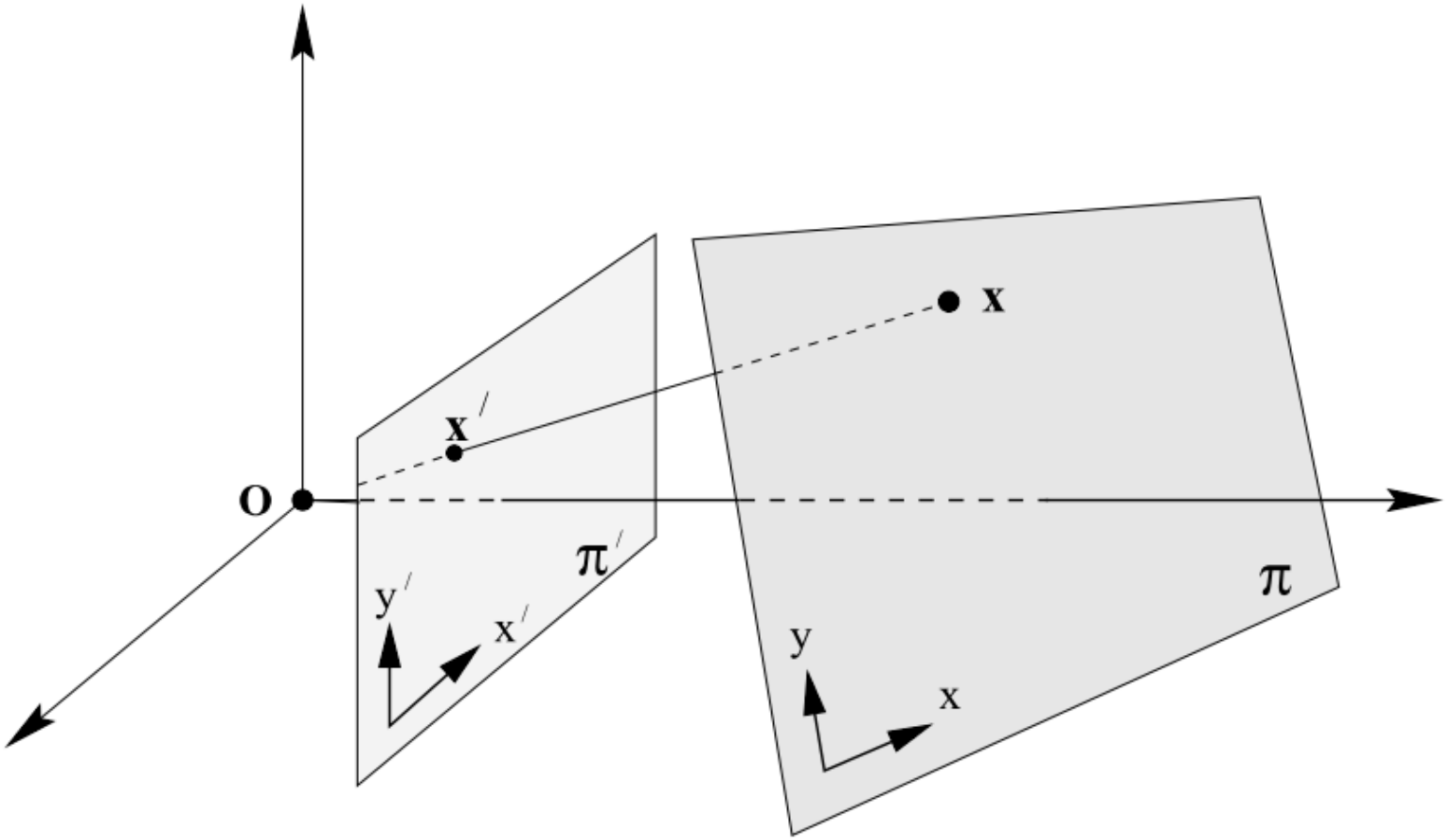
Perspective Transformation ⊂ Homography



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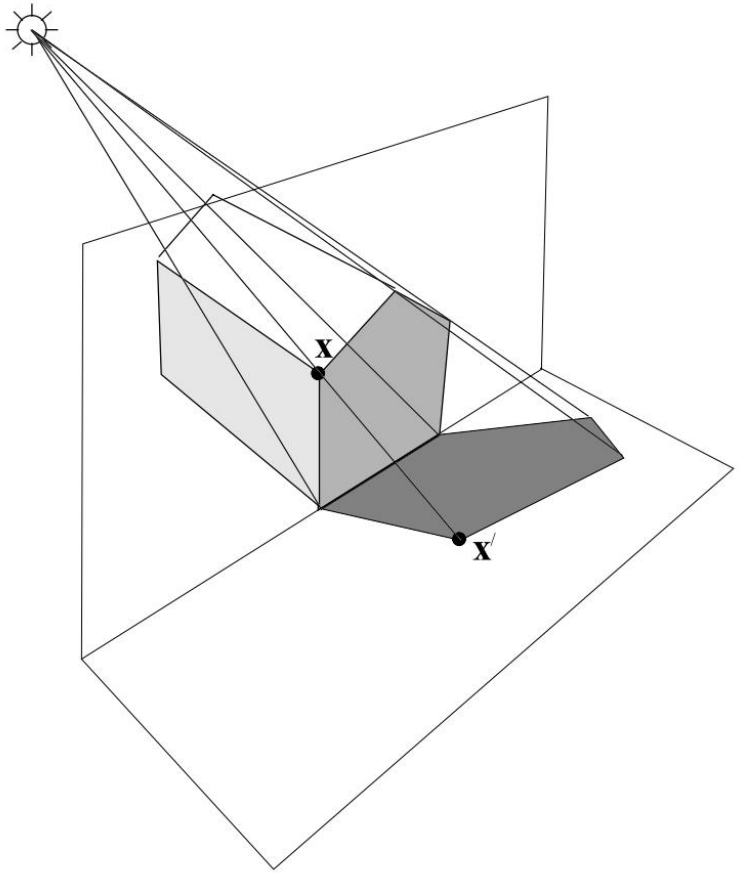
Real-life Example of Perspectivity



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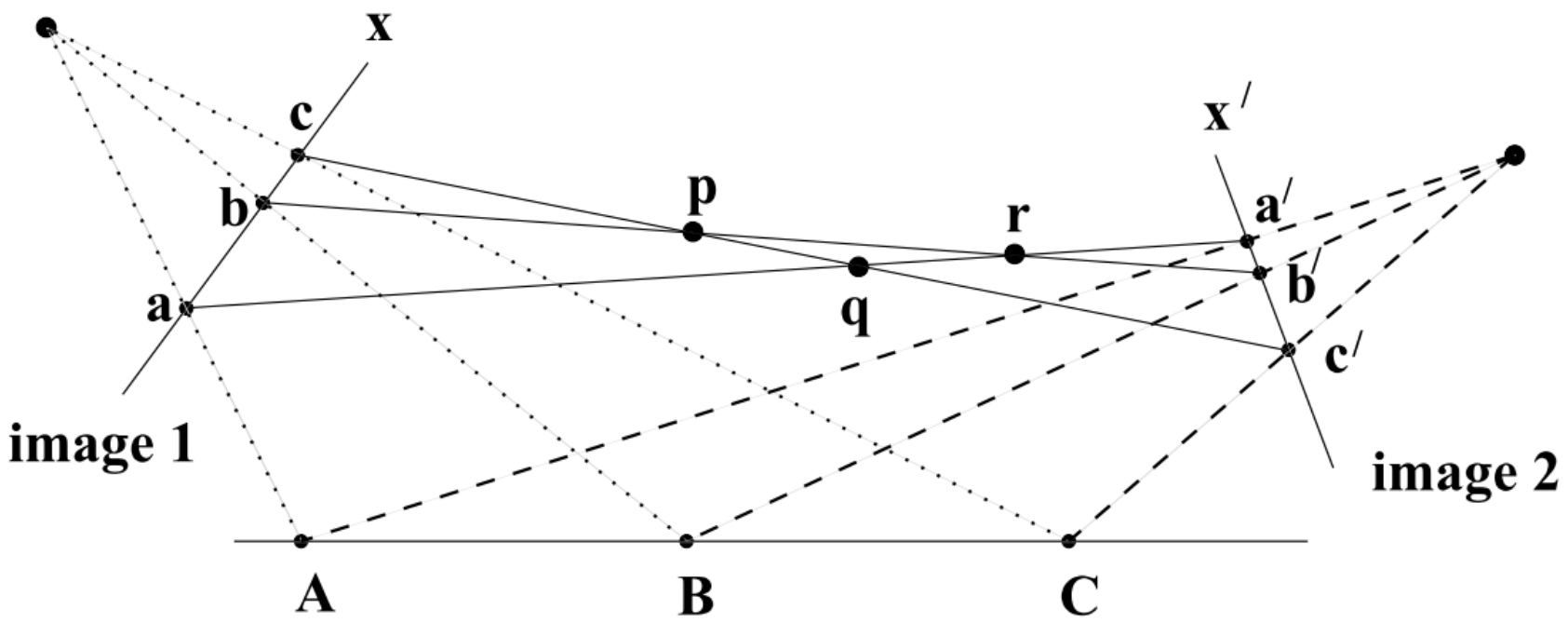
Homography vs. Perspectivity

homography

The composition of two (or more) perspectivities is a projectivity, but not, in general, a perspectivity



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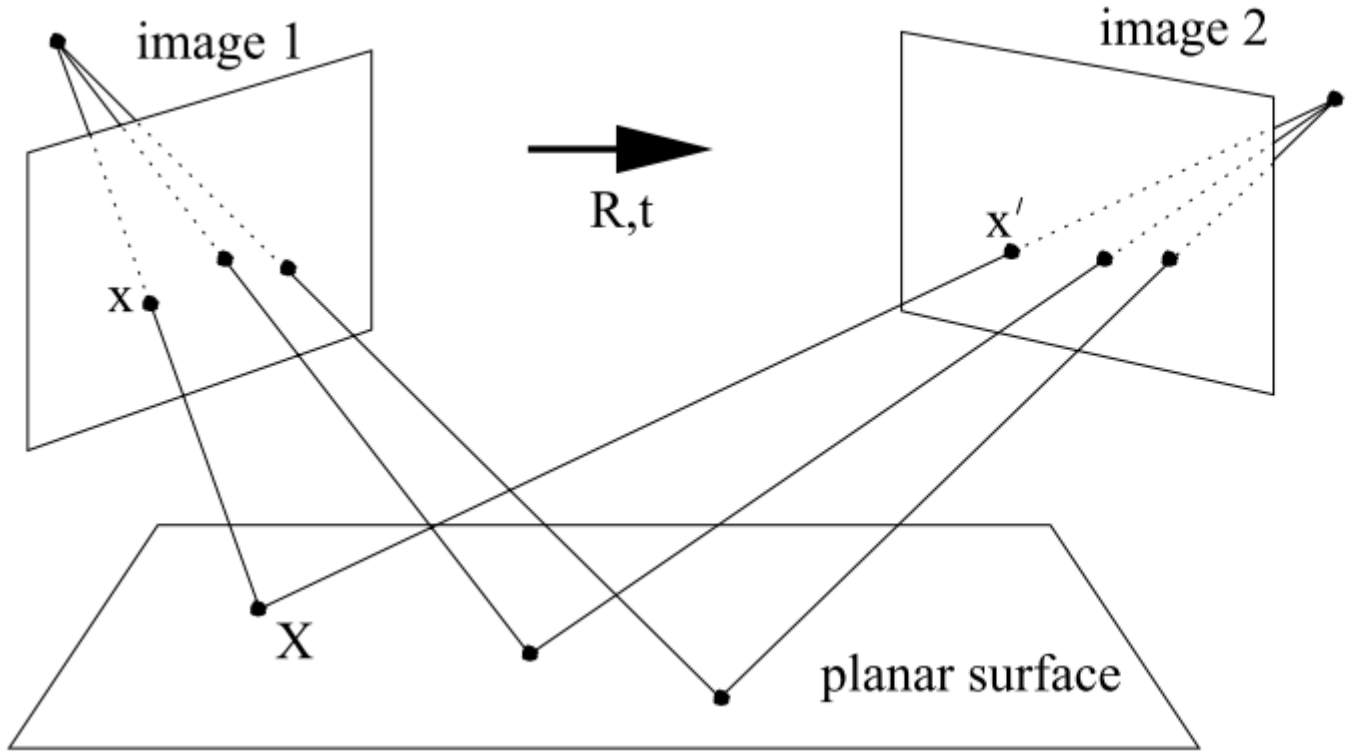
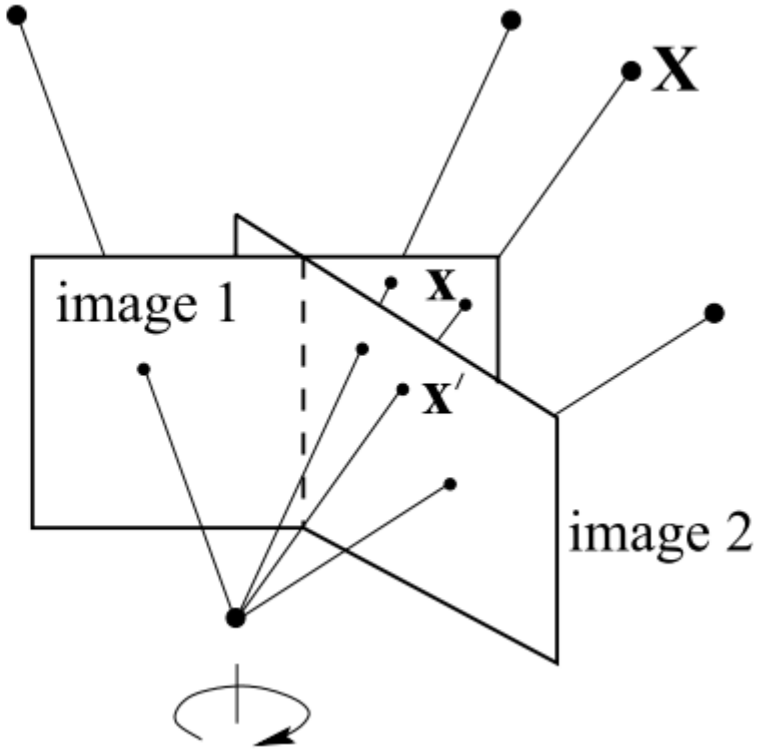
Which Is a Non-Perspective Homography?





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Application of Perspective Homography

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Removing Perspective Distortion?

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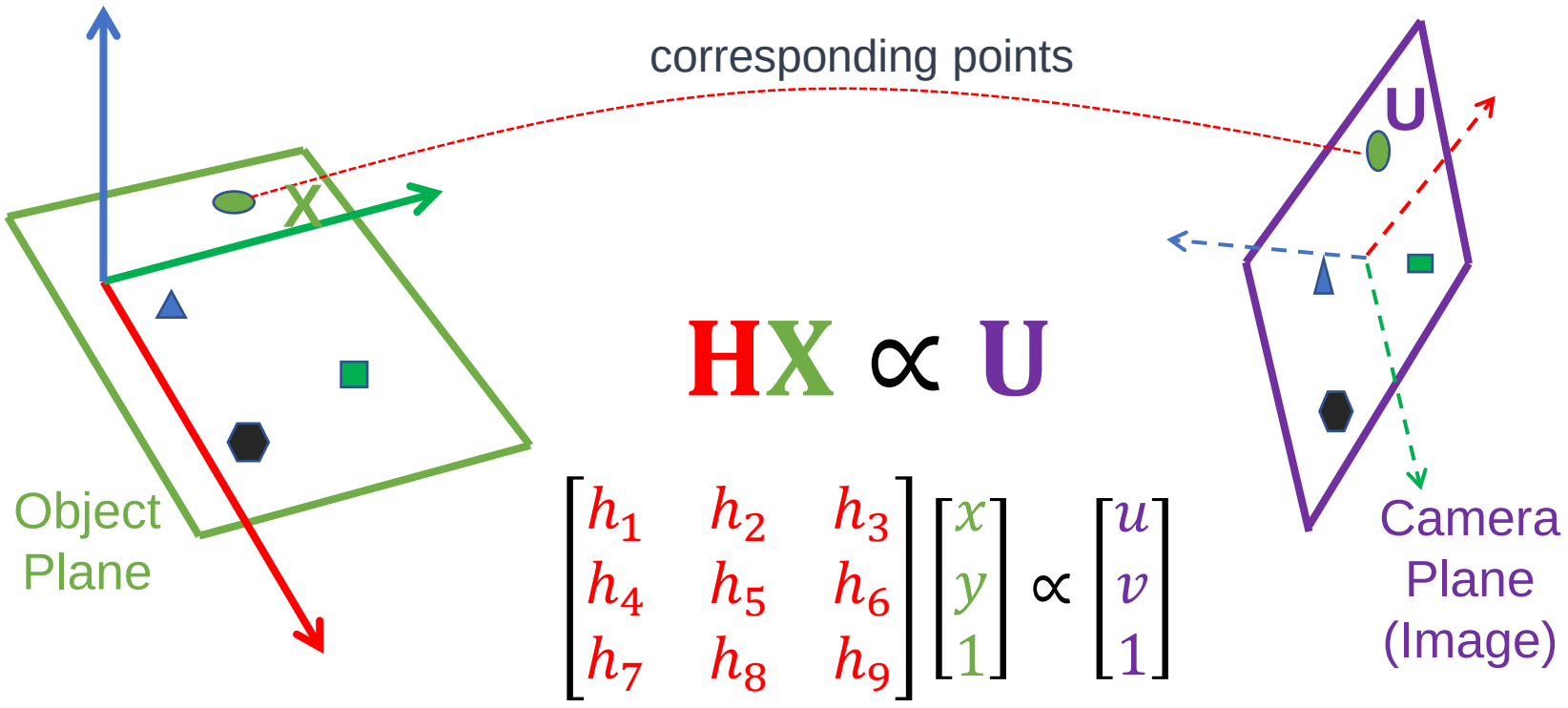
How to Estimate a Homography?



$$\mathbf{HX} \propto \mathbf{U}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \\ h_4 & h_5 & h_6 \\ h_7 & h_8 & h_9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \propto \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Estimating Homography: DLT

- 2D direct linear transformation (DLT) algorithm
- Find multiple $\mathbf{X} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{U}$ correspondences (≥ 4) between a planar object and an image
- Each correspondence leads to 2 independent linear equations with homography as unknown parameters:

$$u(h_7x + h_8y + h_9) = h_1x + h_2y + h_3$$
$$v(h_7x + h_8y + h_9) = h_4x + h_5y + h_6$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}^\mathsf{T} & -w_i'\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} & y_i'\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} \\ w_i'\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} & \mathbf{0}^\mathsf{T} & -x_i'\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{h}^1 \\ \mathbf{h}^2 \\ \mathbf{h}^3 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

- This leads to a homogeneous system of linear equations

$$xh_1 + yh_2 + h_3 - uxh_7 - uyh_8 - uh_9 = 0$$
$$xh_4 + yh_5 + h_6 - vxh_7 - vyh_8 - vh_9 = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & 1 & & & & -ux & -uy & -u \\ & & & x & y & 1 & -vx & -vy & -v \end{bmatrix} [h_1\ h_2\ h_3\ h_4\ h_5\ h_6\ h_7\ h_8\ h_9]^T = 0$$

$$\mathbf{Ah} = \mathbf{0}$$

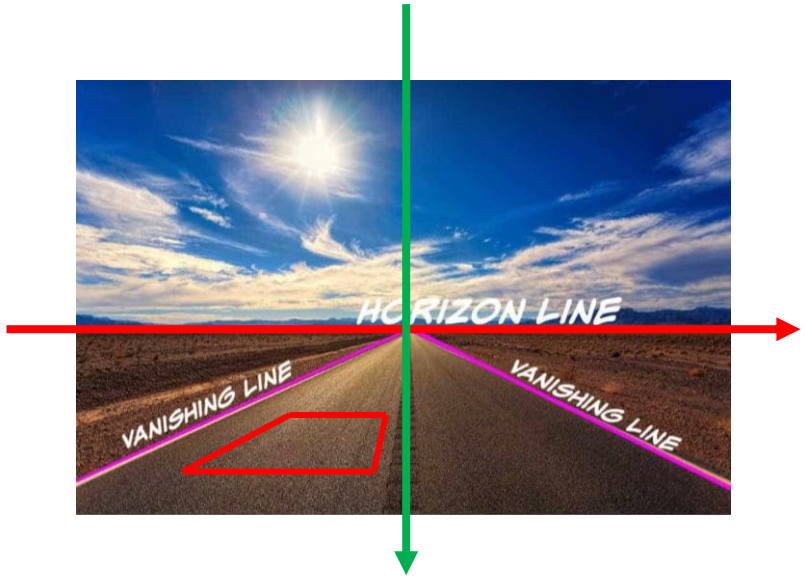
2D DLT Using Inhomogeneous Homography

- Set $h_9 = 1, \quad \tilde{\boldsymbol{h}} = [h_1, h_2, \cdots, h_8]$

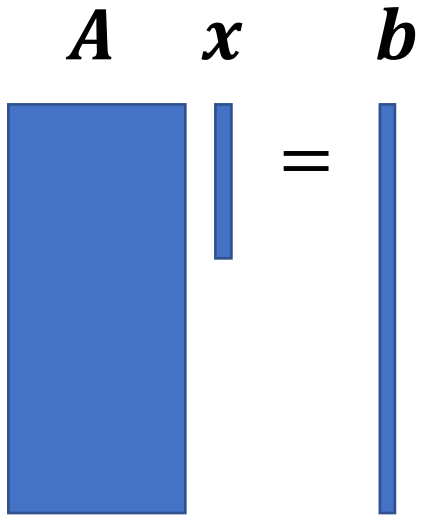
$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & 1 & & & & -ux & -uy \\ & & & x & y & 1 & -vx & -vy \end{bmatrix} [h_1\ h_2\ h_3\ h_4\ h_5\ h_6\ h_7\ h_8]^T = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

- Solve by least square: $\left(A^T A\right)^{-1} A^T b$

- Potential issues
  - What if $h_9 = 0$?
  - Does this happen often?

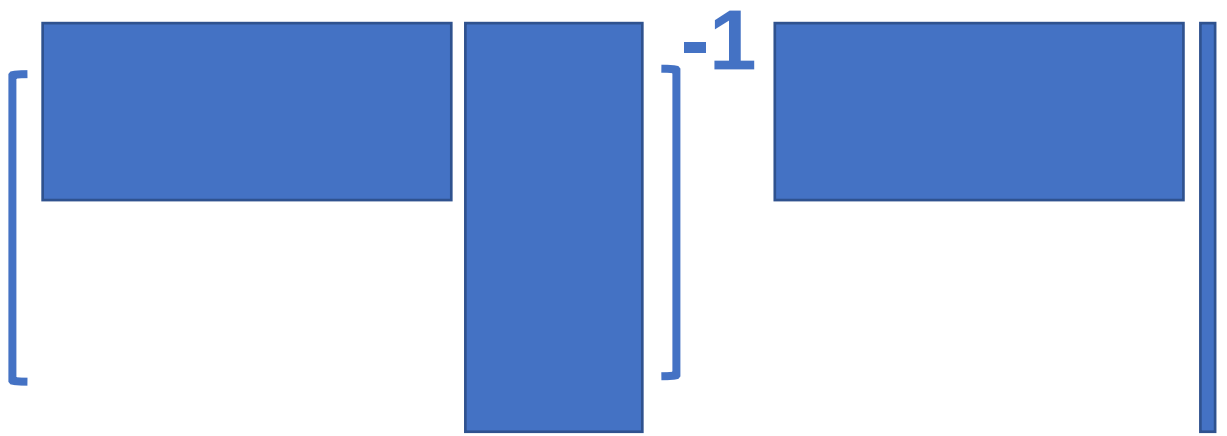


Solving Ax=b



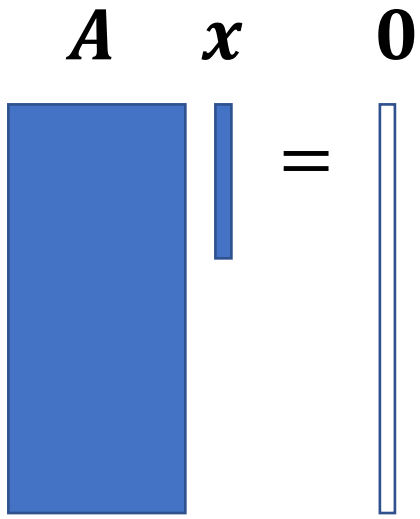
- A: design matrix
  - shape: m x n
  - m>>n
  - Typically, full column-rank
- x: unknowns
  - shape: n x 1
- b: observed data
  - shape: m x 1
- Solve by least squares: x* = inv(A'A)A'b
  - Solving normal equation: A'Ax=A'b
  - Least squares residual:
    - Observed - Predicted
    - b - Ax*
  - Residual is usually not zero in real world problems!

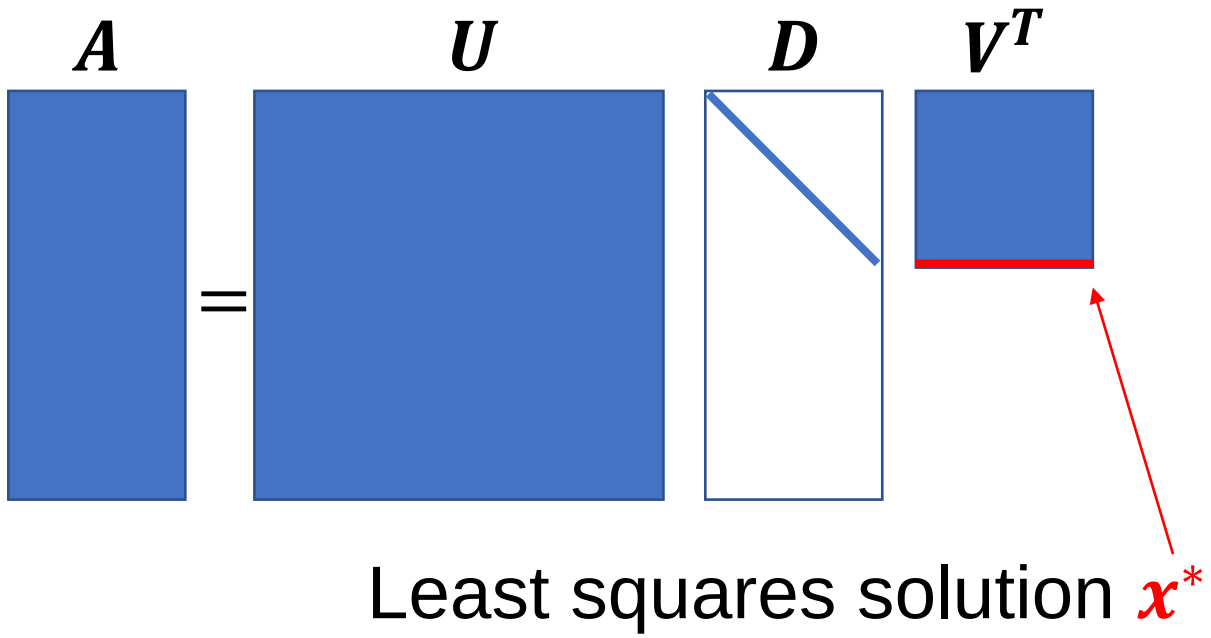
Least squares solution x^*



Solving Ax=0

- A: data matrix
  - shape: m x n
  - m >> n
  - rank(A) = n when data contains noise: full column-rank
- x: unknowns
  - shape: n x 1
- Seek for an approximation instead of exact non-trivial solutions
- Add a constraint: ||x||=1
- Solve by SVD: A=UDV'
  - x*=last column of V, if diag(D) is descending order
  - diag(D): non-negative
    - called singular values





Why Ax=0 can be solved by A=UDV' ? A simple derivation

- Problem conversion 1:
  - min ||Ax||, s.t. ||x||=1

- ||UDV'x|| == ||DV'x||
- ||x|| == ||V'x||
- Problem conversion 2:
  - min ||DV'x||, s.t. ||V'x||=1

- Change of variable: y=V'x
  - min ||Dy||, s.t. ||y||=1

Why $\boldsymbol{y}^*$ should be (0,0,…,0,1)'

$$\|\boldsymbol{Dy}\|^2 = \boldsymbol{y}^T\boldsymbol{D}^T\boldsymbol{Dy} = \sum_i \sigma_i^2 y_i^2$$
$$= \sigma_1^2 y_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 y_2^2 + \cdots + \sigma_n^2 y_n^2$$
$$= \sigma_1^2 y_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 y_2^2 + \cdots + \sigma_n^2\left(1 - y_1^2 - y_2^2 \cdots - y_{n-1}^2\right)$$
$$= \left(\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_n^2\right)y_1^2 + \left(\sigma_2^2 - \sigma_n^2\right)y_2^2 + \cdots + \left(\sigma_{n-1}^2 - \sigma_n^2\right)y_{n-1}^2 + \sigma_n^2$$
$$\geq \sigma_n^2 \ (= only\ when\ y_1 = y_2 = \cdots = y_{n-1} = 0\ and\ y_n = 1)$$

- D is diagonally descending! => y*=(0,0,…,0,1)' => x*=last column of V

Solving 2D DLT Using SVD

Objective

Given $n \geq 4$ 2D to 2D point correspondences $\{\mathbf{x}_i \leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}'_i\}$, determine the 2D homography matrix $\mathtt{H}$ such that $\mathbf{x}'_i = \mathtt{H}\mathbf{x}_i$.

Algorithm

(i) For each correspondence $\mathbf{x}_i \leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}'_i$ compute the matrix $\mathtt{A}_i$ from (4.1). Only the first two rows need be used in general.

(ii) Assemble the n 2×9 matrices $\mathtt{A}_i$ into a single $2n \times 9$ matrix $\mathtt{A}$.

(iii) Obtain the SVD of $\mathtt{A}$ (section A4.4($p585$)). The unit singular vector corresponding to the smallest singular value is the solution $\mathbf{h}$. Specifically, if $\mathtt{A} = \mathtt{UDV}^\mathsf{T}$ with $\mathtt{D}$ diagonal with positive diagonal entries, arranged in descending order down the diagonal, then $\mathbf{h}$ is the last column of $\mathtt{V}$.

(iv) The matrix $\mathtt{H}$ is determined from $\mathbf{h}$ as in (4.2).

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}^\mathsf{T} & -w'_i\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} & y'_i\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} \\ w'_i\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} & \mathbf{0}^\mathsf{T} & -x'_i\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{h}^1 \\ \mathbf{h}^2 \\ \mathbf{h}^3 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

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Another Practical Issue

- Numerical issues
  - A typical image point: (100,100,1)
  - xx': 10^4
  - xw': 10^2
  - ww': 1

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}^\mathsf{T} & -w_i'\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} & y_i'\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} \\ w_i'\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} & \mathbf{0}^\mathsf{T} & -x_i'\mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{h}^1 \\ \mathbf{h}^2 \\ \mathbf{h}^3 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

- Data normalization is essential for DLT!
  - All entries in A should have similar magnitude
  - Pre-process your data using similarity transformation
    - Zero-mean (de-mean)
    - Unit-variance

A Complete 2D DLT Algorithm

Objective

Given $n \geq 4$ 2D to 2D point correspondences $\{\mathbf{x}_i \leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}'_i\}$, determine the 2D homography matrix $\mathtt{H}$ such that $\mathbf{x}'_i = \mathtt{H}\mathbf{x}_i$.

Algorithm

(i) **Normalization of $\mathbf{x}$:** Compute a similarity transformation $\mathtt{T}$, consisting of a translation and scaling, that takes points $\mathbf{x}_i$ to a new set of points $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$ such that the centroid of the points $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$ is the coordinate origin $(0, 0)^\mathsf{T}$, and their average distance from the origin is $\sqrt{2}$.

(ii) **Normalization of $\mathbf{x}'$:** Compute a similar transformation $\mathtt{T}'$ for the points in the second image, transforming points $\mathbf{x}'_i$ to $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}'_i$.

(iii) **DLT:** Apply algorithm 4.1(p91) to the correspondences $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i \leftrightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{x}}'_i$ to obtain a homography $\widetilde{\mathtt{H}}$.

(iv) **Denormalization:** Set $\mathtt{H} = \mathtt{T}'^{-1}\widetilde{\mathtt{H}}\mathtt{T}$.

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Homography and Camera Pose

- Using perspective projection equation:

$$\mathbf{u} \propto \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{R}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{t})$$

- World point $\mathbf{X}$ lies on a plane, lets call it plane Z=0:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Write rotation matrix as:

$$\mathbf{R} = [\mathbf{r}_1 \quad \mathbf{r}_2 \quad \mathbf{r}_3]$$

- Plug into the first equation:

$$\mathbf{u} \propto \mathbf{K}\left([\mathbf{r}_1 \quad \mathbf{r}_2 \quad \mathbf{r}_3] \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{t} \right) \equiv \mathbf{u} \propto \underbrace{\mathbf{K}[\mathbf{r}_1 \quad \mathbf{r}_2 \quad \mathbf{t}]}_{\mathbf{H}} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Single-view homography decomposition

- $\mathbf{H} \propto \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{r}_1 \quad \mathbf{r}_2 \quad \mathbf{t}]$

- Assume we calibrated the camera, so **K** is known to us
- $\mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{H} \propto [\mathbf{r}_1 \quad \mathbf{r}_2 \quad \mathbf{t}]$

- If let

$$\mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{H} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [\boldsymbol{a}_1 \quad \boldsymbol{a}_2 \quad \boldsymbol{a}_3]$$

- Translation

$$\mathbf{t} = \boldsymbol{a}_3 / \|\boldsymbol{a}_1\|$$

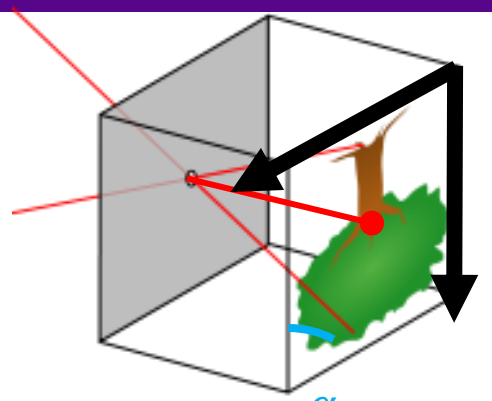
- Rotation

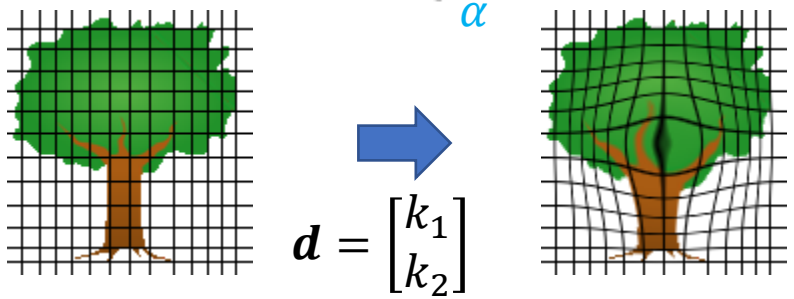
$$\mathbf{R} = [\boldsymbol{a}_1/\|\boldsymbol{a}_1\| \quad \boldsymbol{a}_2/\|\boldsymbol{a}_1\| \quad \boldsymbol{a}_1 \times \boldsymbol{a}_2/\|\boldsymbol{a}_1\|^2]$$

Camera Calibration

- To find out intrinsic parameters of a camera
  - **Linear:** $\mathbf{K} = ?$
  - **Non-linear:** $\mathbf{d} = ?$
- Intrinsic parameter values are generally static
  - Only need to be calibrated once
  - Unless the camera has been shipped for long distances
- Why?
  - Reduce uncertainties/unknowns in the projection system
  - Improve accuracy
- How?
  - $\mathbf{K}$ and $\mathbf{d}$ can not be easily measured directly
  - Has to be solved using perspective projection equation indirectly

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & \alpha & c_x \\ & f_y & c_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$





Calibration with a 3D Rig - Simple

1. Form a 3D structure (rig) with multiple markers
2. Precisely measure each marker's corner point 3D positions ($\mathbf{X}$) in a same coordinate frame
3. Take an image of the 3D structure
4. Solve camera matrix using the 3D Direct Linear Transformation (**DLT**) algorithm
5. Decompose camera matrix to get camera intrinsics

3D DLT for Computing Camera Matrix

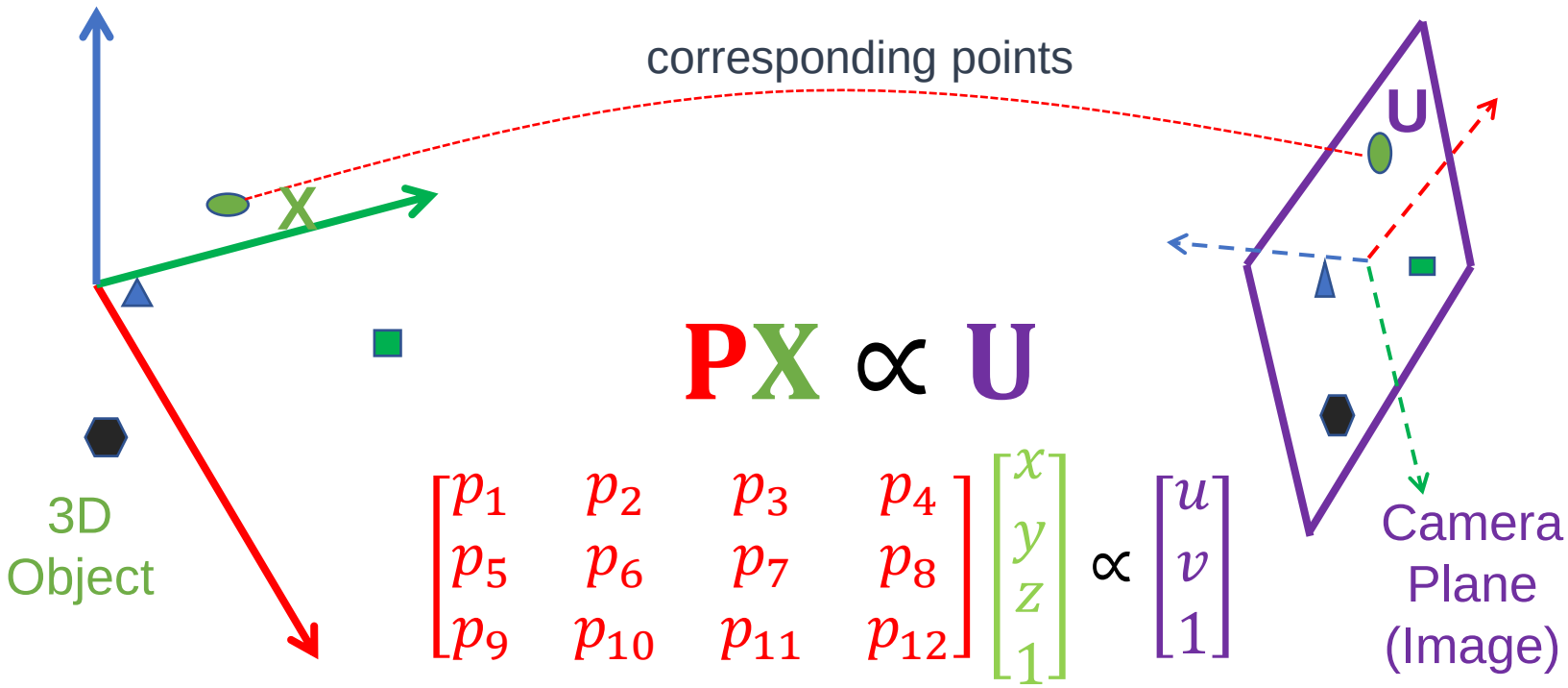
- Recall what is camera matrix:

$$s\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & f_y & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & t_1 \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & t_2 \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & t_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = K[R \mid t]$$

3D DLT for Computing Camera Matrix

- Similar to 2D homography



3D DLT for computing camera matrix

- Find multiple $\mathbf{X} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{U}$ correspondences (≥ 6) between a planar object and an image

- Each correspondence lead to 2 independent linear equations with homography as unknown parameters:

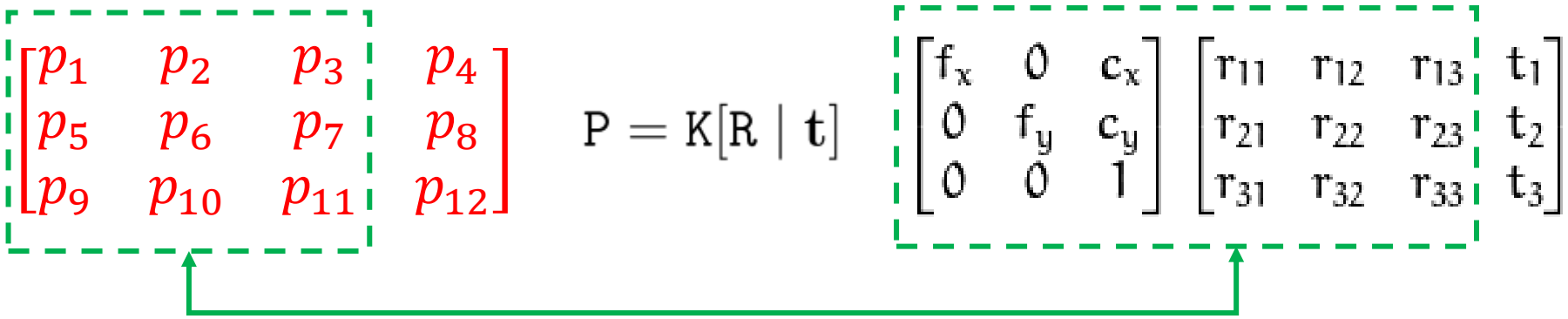
$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}^\top & -w_i\mathbf{X}_i^\top & y_i\mathbf{X}_i^\top \\ w_i\mathbf{X}_i^\top & \mathbf{0}^\top & -x_i\mathbf{X}_i^\top \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}^1 \\ \mathbf{P}^2 \\ \mathbf{P}^3 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

- This lead to a homogeneous system of linear equation

$$\mathbf{Ah} = \mathbf{0}$$

- Solve by performing Singular Value Decomposition on **A**

Decomposing Camera Matrix



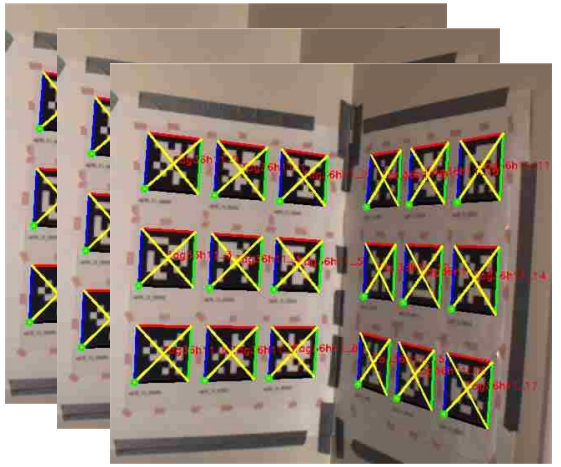
- Bonus: camera extrinsics!

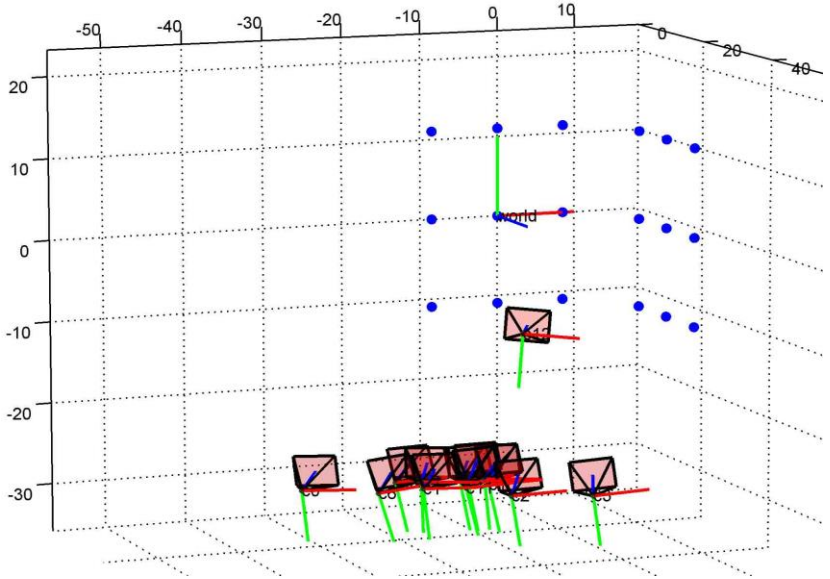
Calibration with a 3D Rig - Complete

1. Form a 3D structure (rig) with multiple (M) markers
2. Precisely measure each marker's corner point 3D positions ($\mathbf{X}$) in a same coordinate frame
3. Take N images of the 3D structure
4. Solve the **bundle adjustment** equation:

$$\arg\min_{\mathbf{K},\{\mathbf{R}_i,\mathbf{t}_i\}} \sum_{i=1}^{N}\sum_{j=1}^{M} \left\|\mathbf{U}_{i,j} - \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{R}_i\mathbf{X}_j + \mathbf{t}_i)\right\|^2$$

5. Initialization using the 3D Direct Linear Transformation (**DLT**) algorithm





Intrinsic Calibration RMS=0.844679 pixel

The Gold Standard 3D DLT Algorithm

Objective

Given $n \geq 6$ world to image point correspondences $\{\mathbf{X}_i \leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}_i\}$, determine the Maximum Likelihood estimate of the camera projection matrix $\mathtt{P}$, i.e. the $\mathtt{P}$ which minimizes $\sum_i d(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathtt{P}\mathbf{X}_i)^2$.

Algorithm

(i) **Linear solution.** Compute an initial estimate of $\mathtt{P}$ using a linear method such as algorithm 4.2(p109):

  (a) **Normalization:** Use a similarity transformation $\mathtt{T}$ to normalize the image points, and a second similarity transformation $\mathtt{U}$ to normalize the space points. Suppose the normalized image points are $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i = \mathtt{T}\mathbf{x}_i$, and the normalized space points are $\tilde{\mathbf{X}}_i = \mathtt{U}\mathbf{X}_i$.

  (b) **DLT:** Form the $2n \times 12$ matrix $\mathtt{A}$ by stacking the equations (7.2) generated by each correspondence $\tilde{\mathbf{X}}_i \leftrightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$. Write $\mathbf{p}$ for the vector containing the entries of the matrix $\tilde{\mathtt{P}}$. A solution of $\mathtt{A}\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$, subject to $\|\mathbf{p}\| = 1$, is obtained from the unit singular vector of $\mathtt{A}$ corresponding to the smallest singular value.

(ii) **Minimize geometric error.** Using the linear estimate as a starting point minimize the geometric error (7.4):

$$\sum_i d(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tilde{\mathtt{P}}\tilde{\mathbf{X}}_i)^2$$

over $\tilde{\mathtt{P}}$, using an iterative algorithm such as Levenberg–Marquardt.

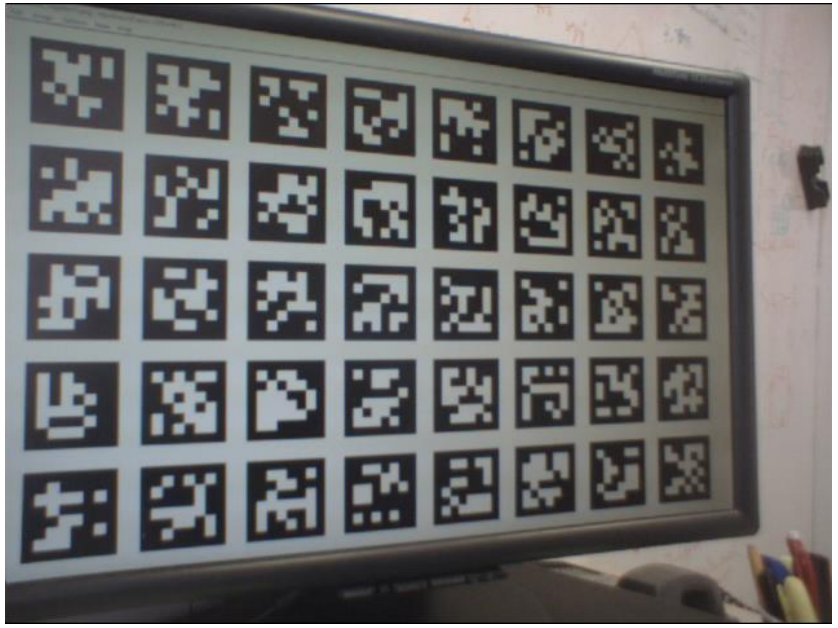
(iii) **Denormalization.** The camera matrix for the original (unnormalized) coordinates is obtained from $\tilde{\mathtt{P}}$ as

$$\mathtt{P} = \mathtt{T}^{-1}\tilde{\mathtt{P}}\mathtt{U}.$$

Hartley & Zisserman 2011

Calibration with a 2D Rig

- Precisely measure each marker's 3D positions could be difficult
  - Usually need a total station
- An easier way is to use a 2D rig
  1. All markers on a same plane
  2. Measure each marker's 2D position
  3. Take multiple images
  4. Solve by Zhang's method
  5. Refine by bundle adjustment
- Advantages
  - Measuring 2D position is easy
  - Easy to setup planar rig



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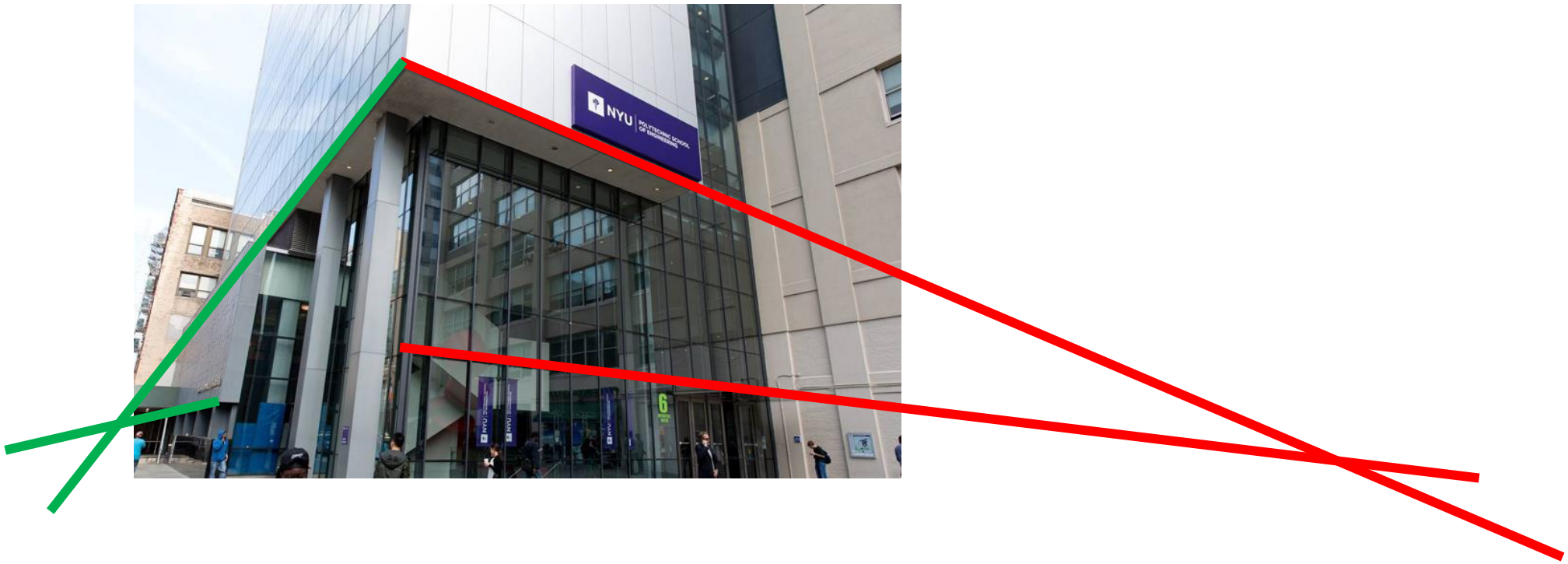
Vanishing Point

Vanishing Points



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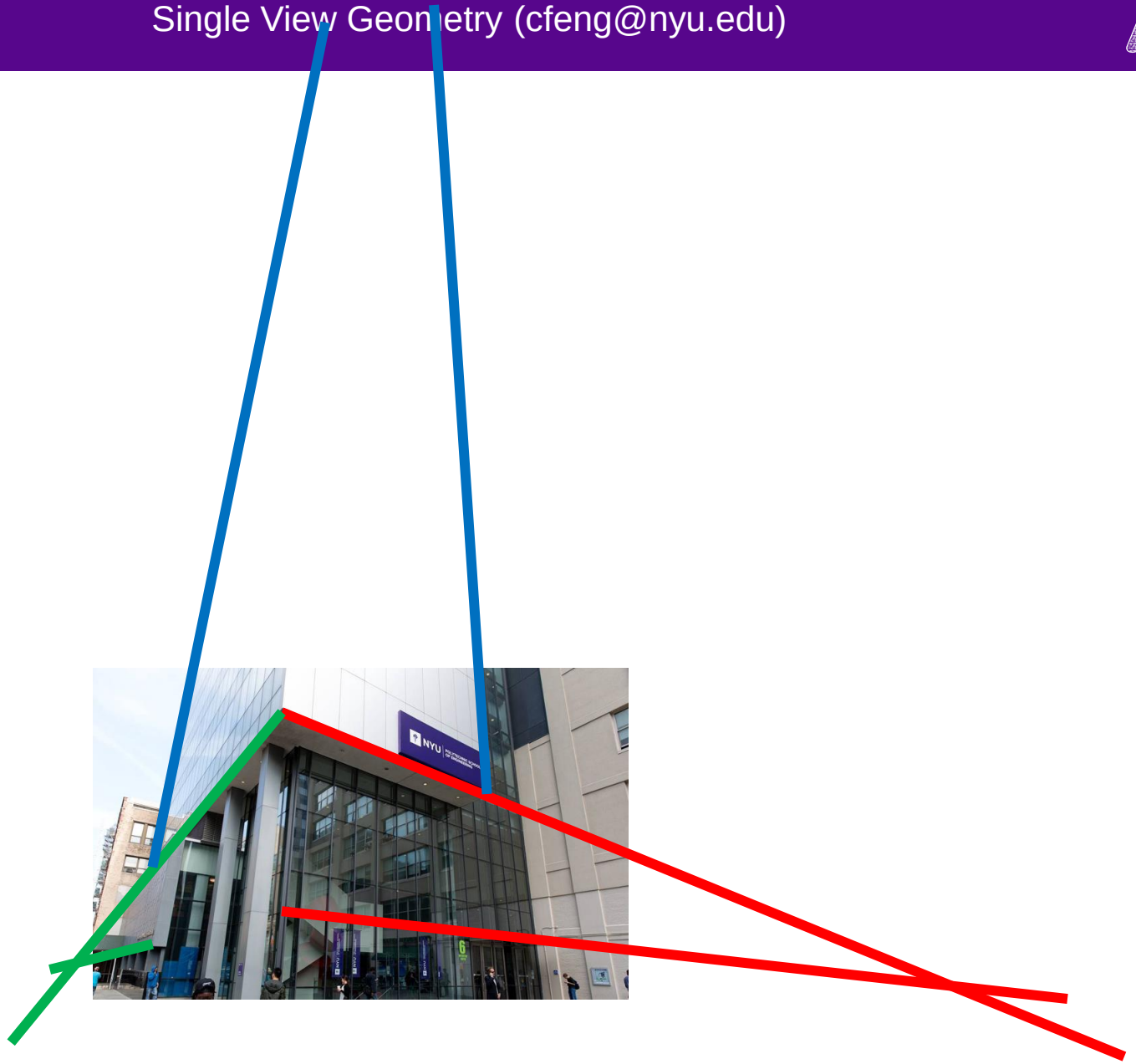
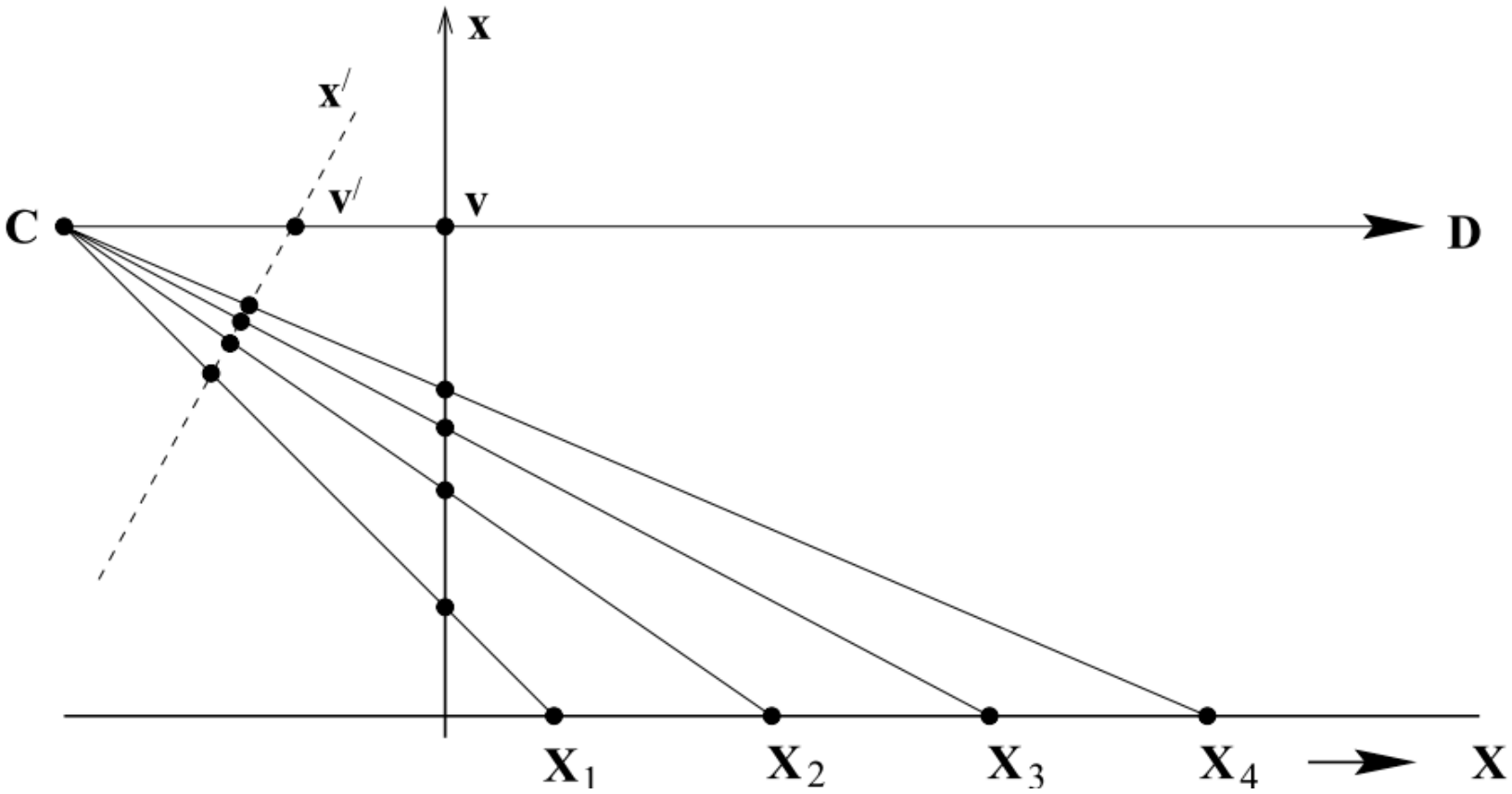


Vanishing Point – 1D



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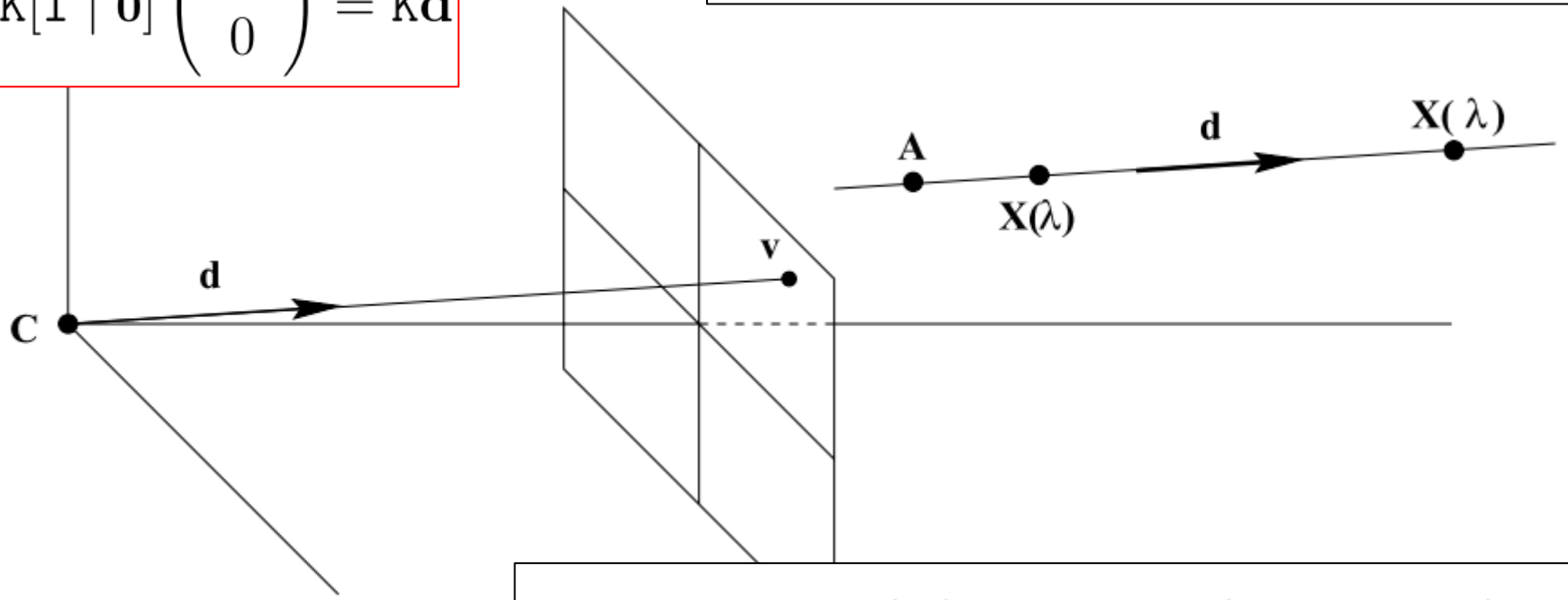
Vanishing Point – 3D

$$\mathbf{X}(\lambda) = \mathbf{A} + \lambda\mathbf{D} \qquad \mathbf{D} = (\mathbf{d}^\mathsf{T}, 0)^\mathsf{T}$$

$$\mathbf{x}(\lambda) = \mathtt{P}\mathbf{X}(\lambda) = \mathtt{P}\mathbf{A} + \lambda\mathtt{P}\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{a} + \lambda\mathtt{K}\mathbf{d}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathtt{P}\mathbf{X}_\infty = \mathtt{K}[\mathtt{I} \mid \mathbf{0}] \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{d} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathtt{K}\mathbf{d}$$



$$\mathbf{v} = \lim_{\lambda\to\infty} \mathbf{x}(\lambda) = \lim_{\lambda\to\infty} (\mathbf{a} + \lambda\mathtt{K}\mathbf{d}) = \mathtt{K}\mathbf{d}$$

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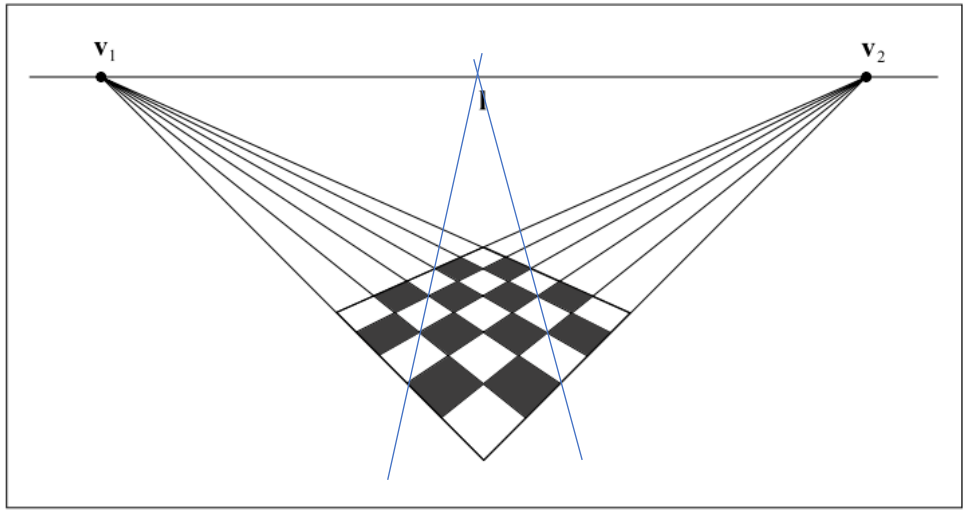
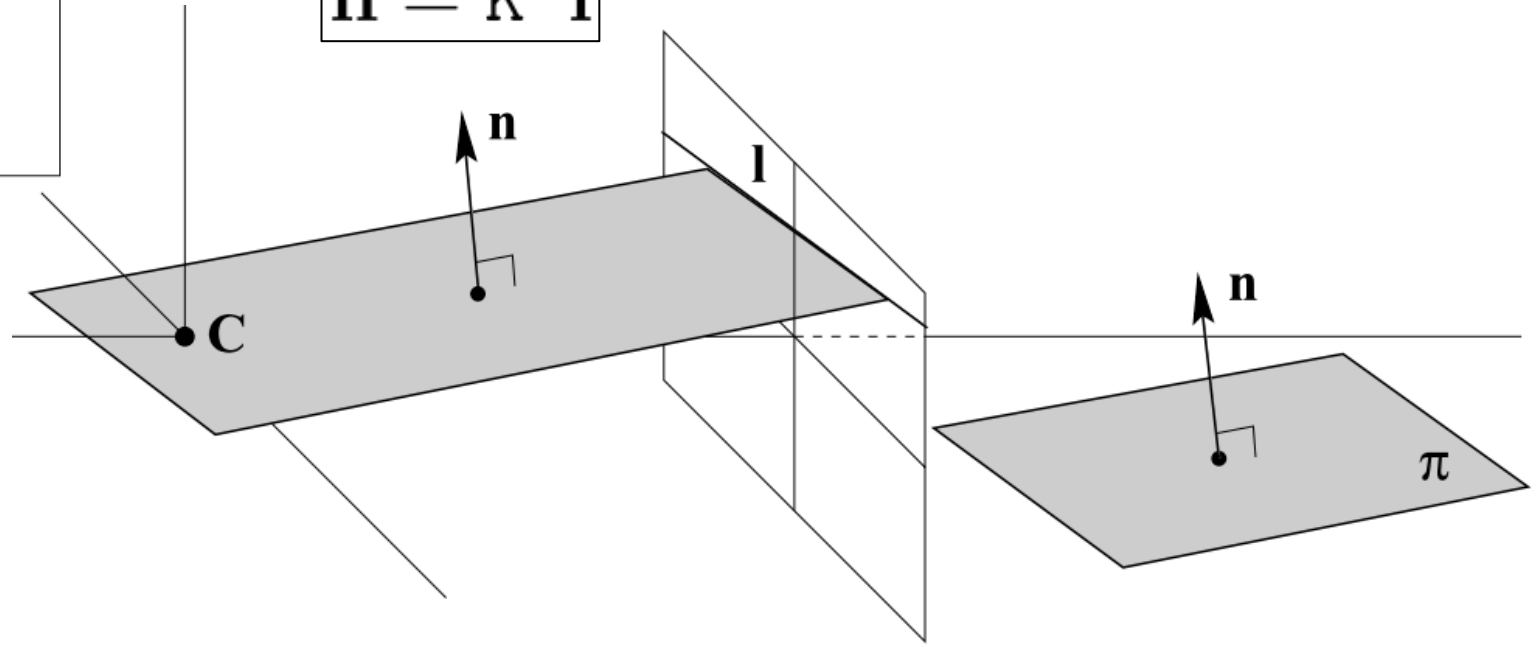
Vanishing Line



$$\mathbf{n} = \mathrm{K}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{l}$$



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Applications of Vanishing Points

- Rotation estimation of calibrated camera
  - vanishing point + calibration matrix == 3D direction

$$\mathbf{d}_i = \mathtt{K}^{-1}\mathbf{v}_i / \|\mathtt{K}^{-1}\mathbf{v}_i\|$$

$$\mathbf{d}'_i = \mathtt{R}\mathbf{d}_i$$

  - n (≥ 2) corresponding vanishing points

- **A calibrated camera is a protractor!**

- Robot navigation/control
- Camera calibration/traffic surveillance

Hartley & Zisserman 2003

Vanishing Point for Robots

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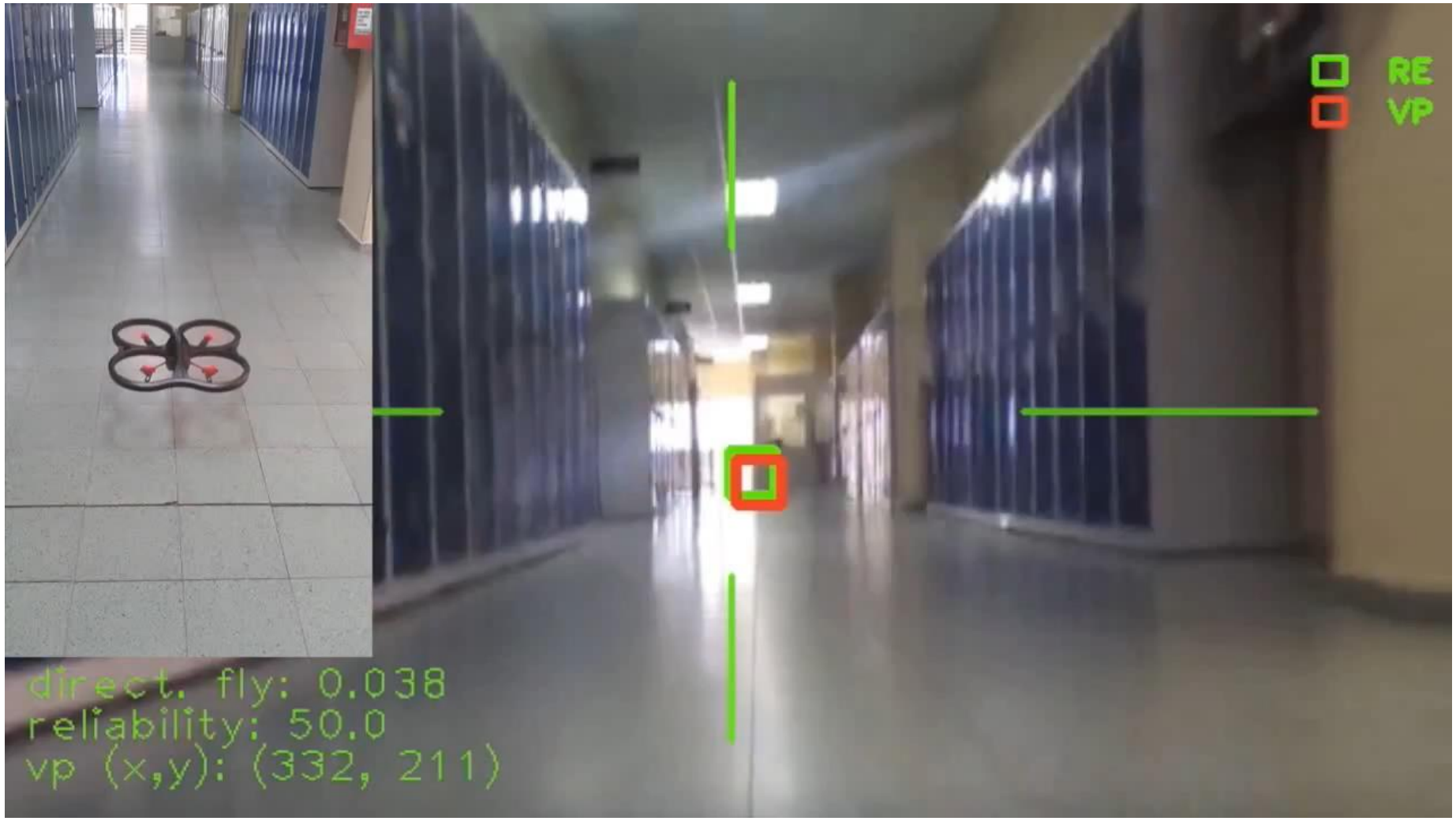

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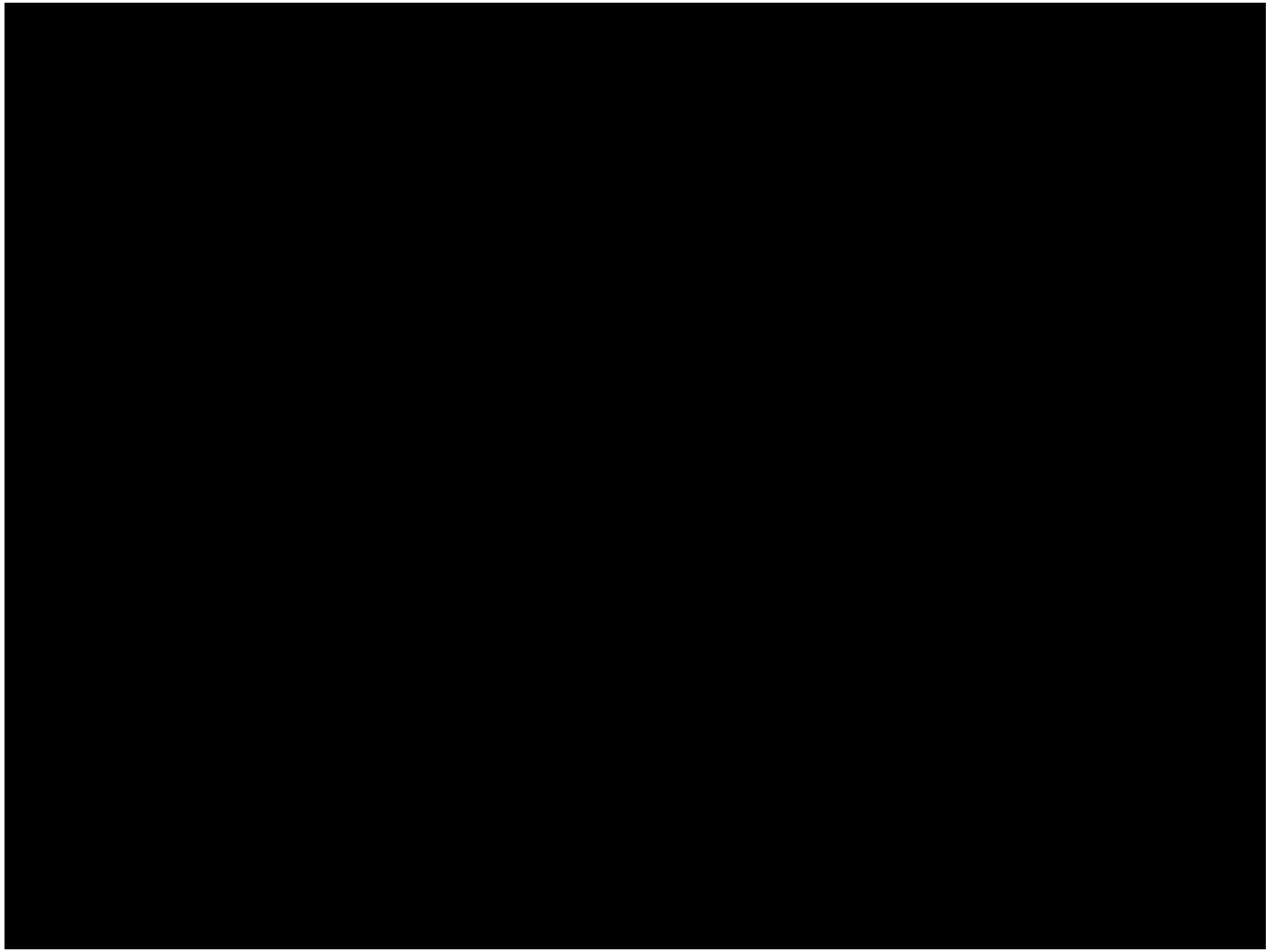
Vanishing Point for Autonomous Driving



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Vanishing Point for Traffic Surveillance

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Simple Camera Calibration from 3 "Orthogonal" Vanishing Points

- Simplified camera

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & x_0 \\ 0 & f & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Three vanishing points
  - Mutually orthogonal in 3D

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 u_1 & \lambda_2 u_2 & \lambda_3 u_3 \\ \lambda_1 v_1 & \lambda_2 v_2 & \lambda_3 v_3 \\ \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{P} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & x_0 \\ 0 & f & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}$$

- Using orthonormal constraints

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1(u_1 - x_0)/f & \lambda_2(u_2 - x_0)/f & \lambda_3(u_3 - x_0)/f \\ \lambda_1(v_1 - y_0)/f & \lambda_2(v_2 - y_0)/f & \lambda_3(v_3 - y_0)/f \\ \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \quad \lambda_1\lambda_2((u_1 - x_0)(u_2 - x_0)/f^2 + (v_1 - y_0)(v_2 - y_0)/f^2 + 1) = 0$$

- Get rid of non-zero unknown scale factors

$$(u_2 - u_3)(u_1 - x_0) + (v_2 - v_3)(v_1 - y_0) = 0,$$
$$(u_1 - u_2)(u_3 - x_0) + (v_1 - v_2)(v_3 - y_0) = 0.$$

Simple Camera Calibration from 3 “Orthogonal” Vanishing Points

- Solve a 2x2 equation

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b},$$
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 - u_3 & v_1 - v_3 \\ u_2 - u_3 & v_2 - v_3 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} (u_1 - u_3)u_2 + (v_1 - v_3)v_2 \\ (u_2 - u_3)u_1 + (v_2 - v_3)v_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Compute focal length

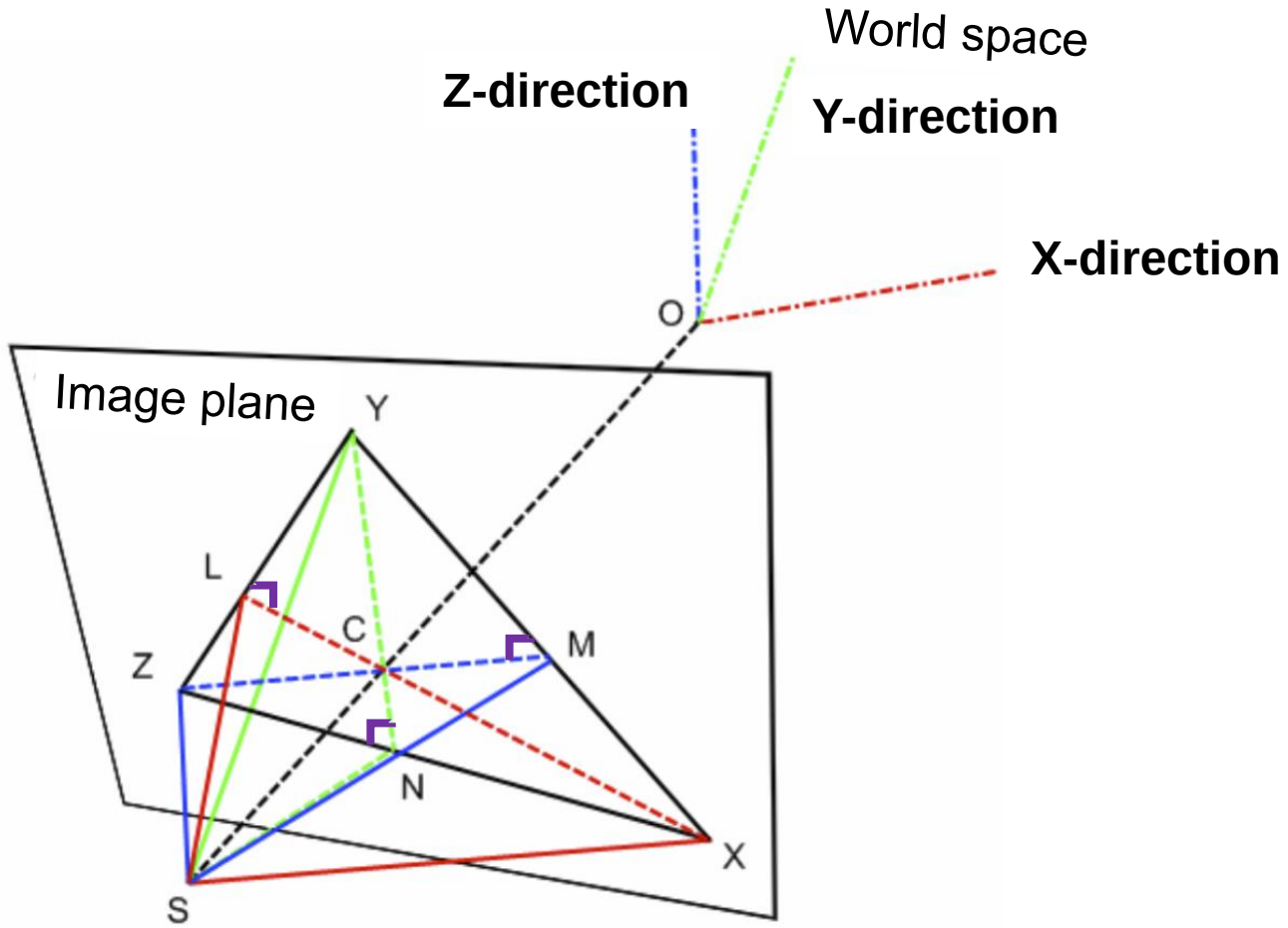
$$f = \sqrt{-(u_1 - x_0)(u_2 - x_0) - (v_1 - y_0)(v_2 - y_0)}.$$

Vanishing Point Calibration: Geometric Explanation

- X/Y/Z: three VPs on the image
- S: projection center
- C: principal point
  - SC: optical axis

- **C is the orthocenter of the triangle XYZ**

- =>SXYZ: Trirectangular Tetrahedron
- => XY⊥ ZM
- => C is ortho-center of XYZ



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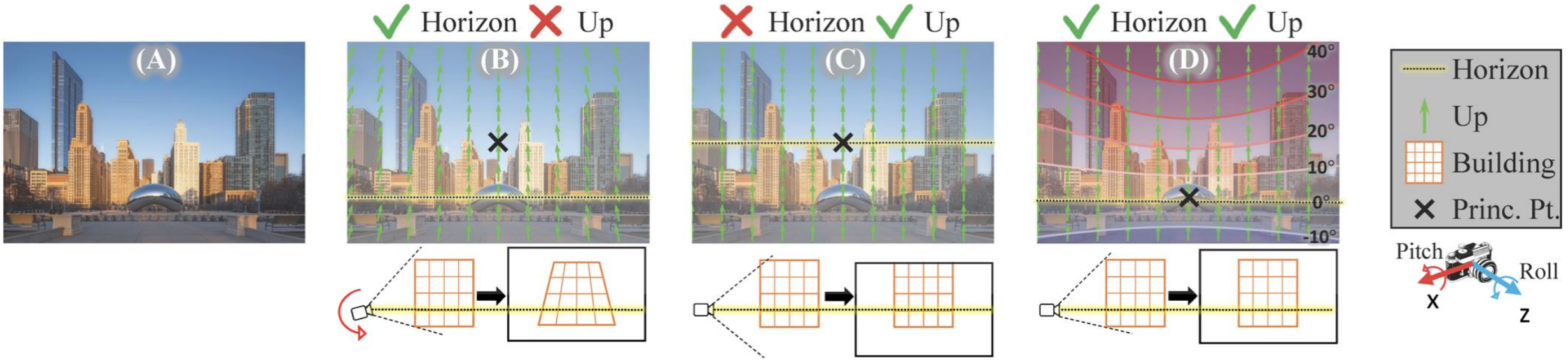

*(A): a photo (credit David Clapp) with an off-centered principal point. (B), (C): assuming traditional pinhole model with principal point at the center, there is no way to correctly represent both up directions (wrong in B) and horizon (wrong in C). (D): Our proposed Perspective Fields model correctly models the Up-vectors (**Green** arrows) aligned with gravity, and Latitude values (contour line: -π/2 π/2) with 0° on the horizon. We can further recover camera parameters Roll -0.5°, Pitch 1.7°, FoV 64.6° and principal point at × from the prediction.*

Problem Statement

Can we learn to estimate the camera parameters in a post-hoc manner from a set of taken images?

Turns out, yes we can!

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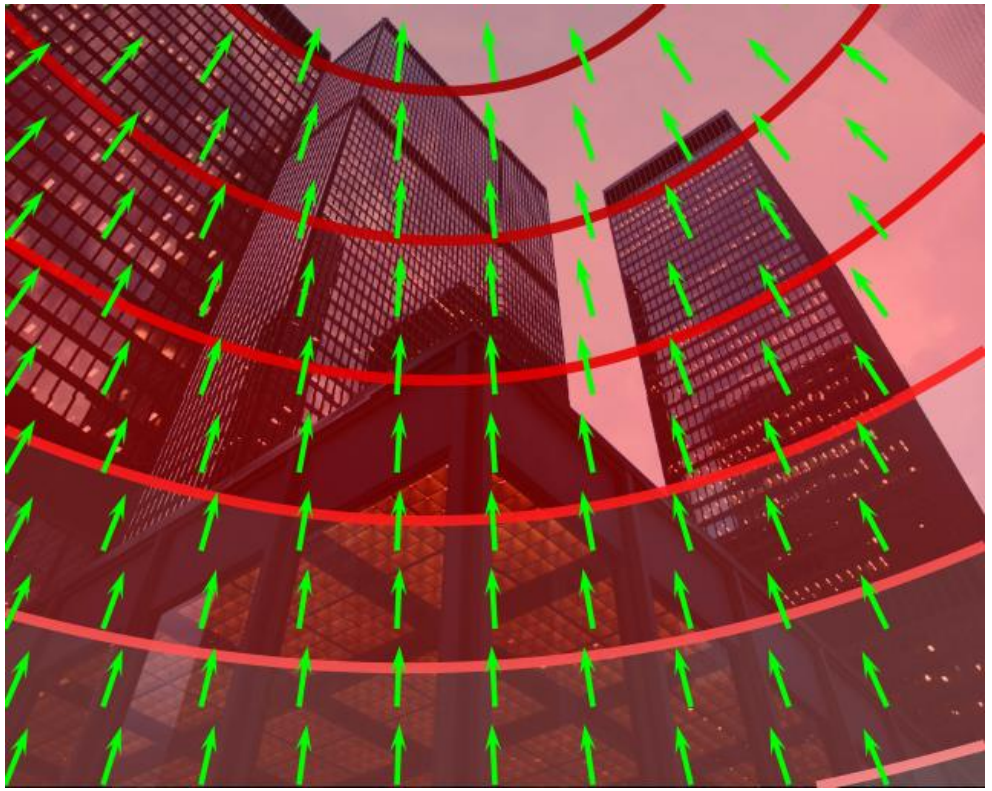

Glossary

Green arrows (Up): Vertical vanishing point vector

”Horizontal” lines (Lat): Angles between incoming ray and the horizontal plane

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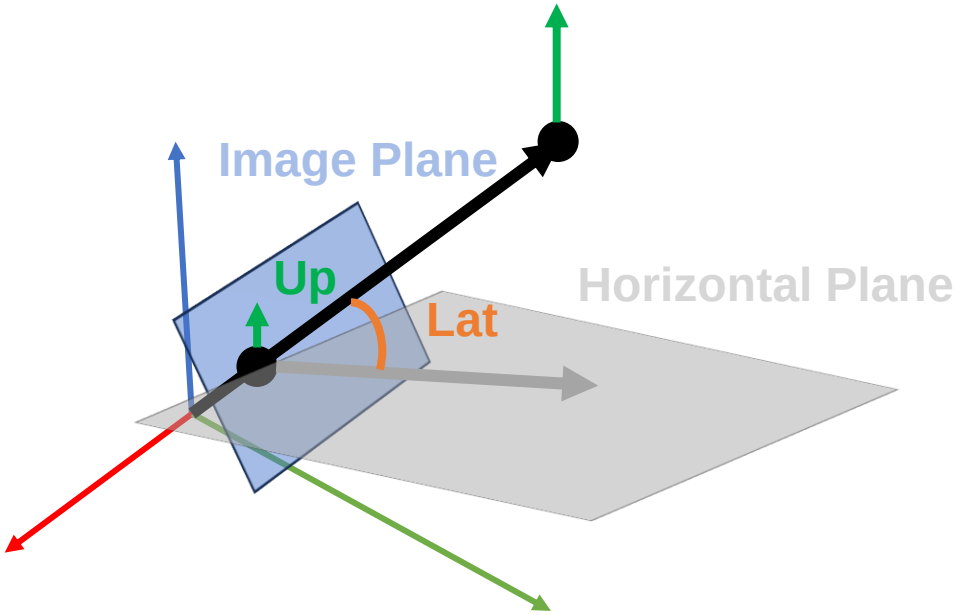

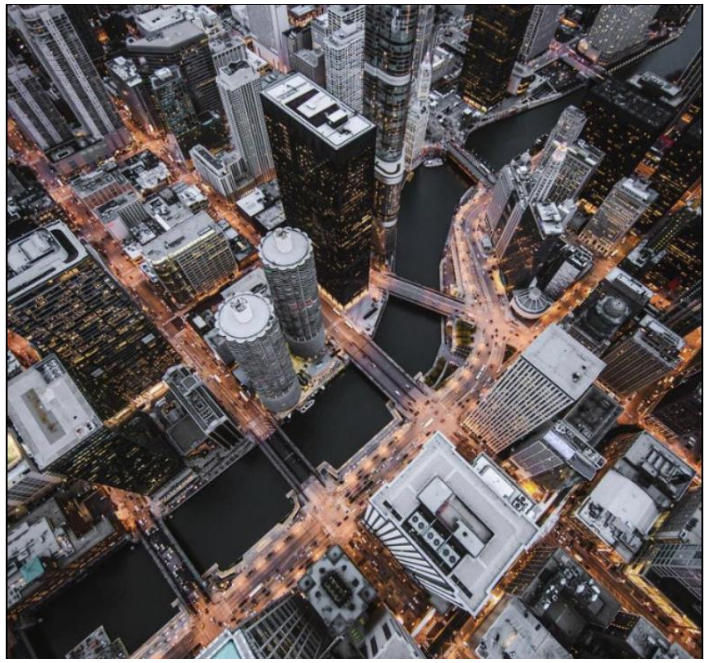

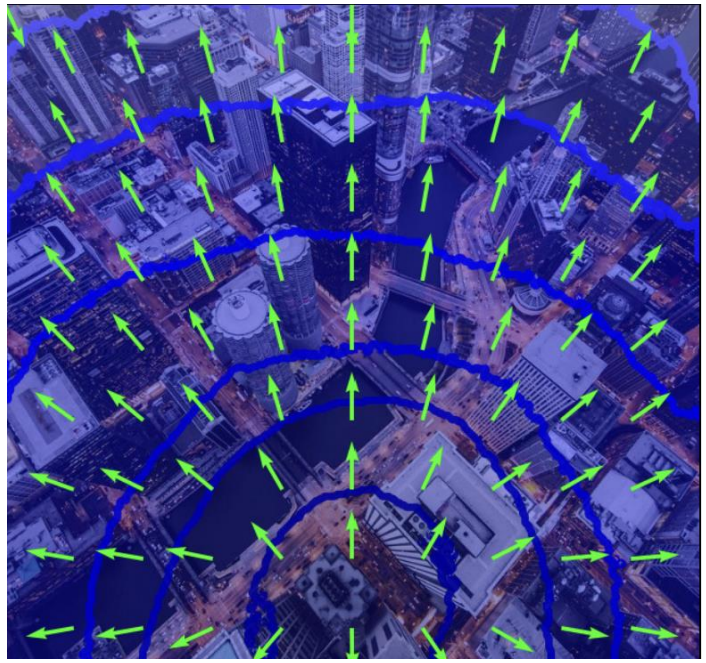

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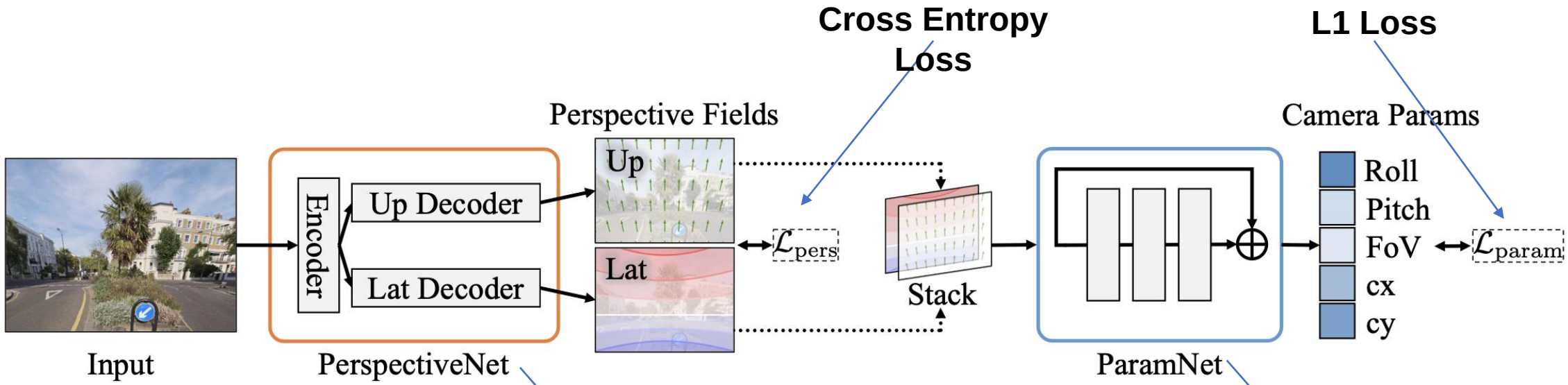

Figure 3. Left: We use a pixel-to-pixel network (PerspectiveNet) to predict Perspective Fields from a single image. Right: When classical camera parameters are needed, we use a ConvNet (ParamNet) to extract this information directly from the Perspective Fields.

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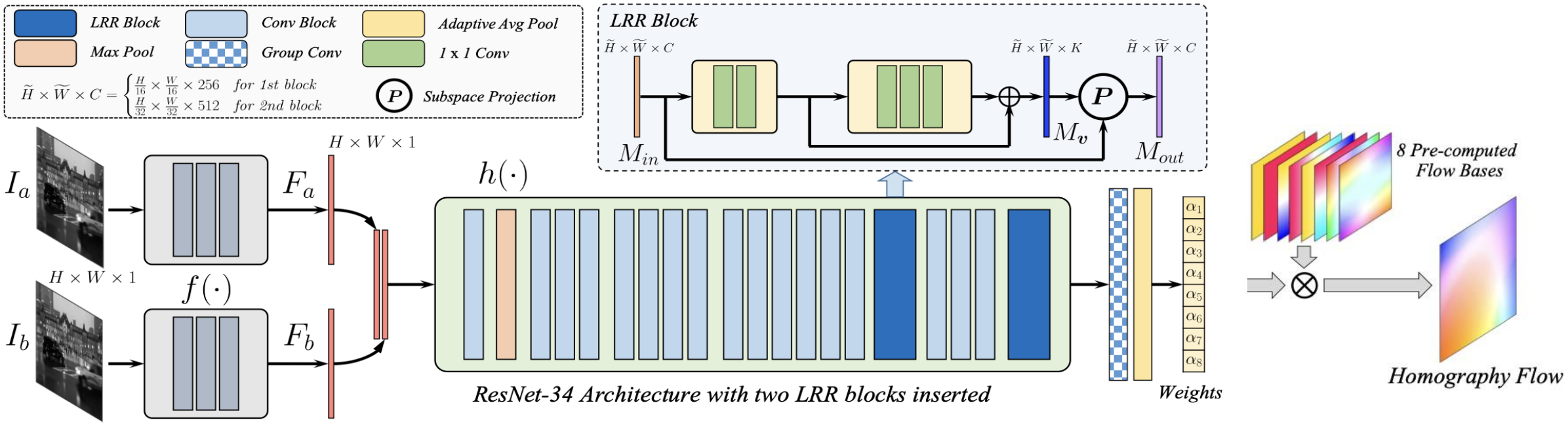

Figure 2. Our network pipeline takes grayscale image patches I_a and I_b as input, and produces 8 weights to combine 8 pre-defined homography bases to produce a homography flow as output. The network consists of two modules, a warp-equivariant feature extractor $f(\cdot)$ and a homography estimator $h(\cdot)$, with 2 inserted LRR blocks to reduce the rank of the motion features.

Learning to compose a “Homography Flow” map via weighted sum of pre-computed bases

Motion Basis Learning for Unsupervised Deep Homography Estimation with Subspace Projection, Nianjin Ye et al. 2021

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- **A Large-Scale Homography Benchmark** - Barath, Daniel, et al, Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition. 2023.
  - Large scale dataset (226k image pairs) for homography estimation benchmarking with results on various well-known estimators.

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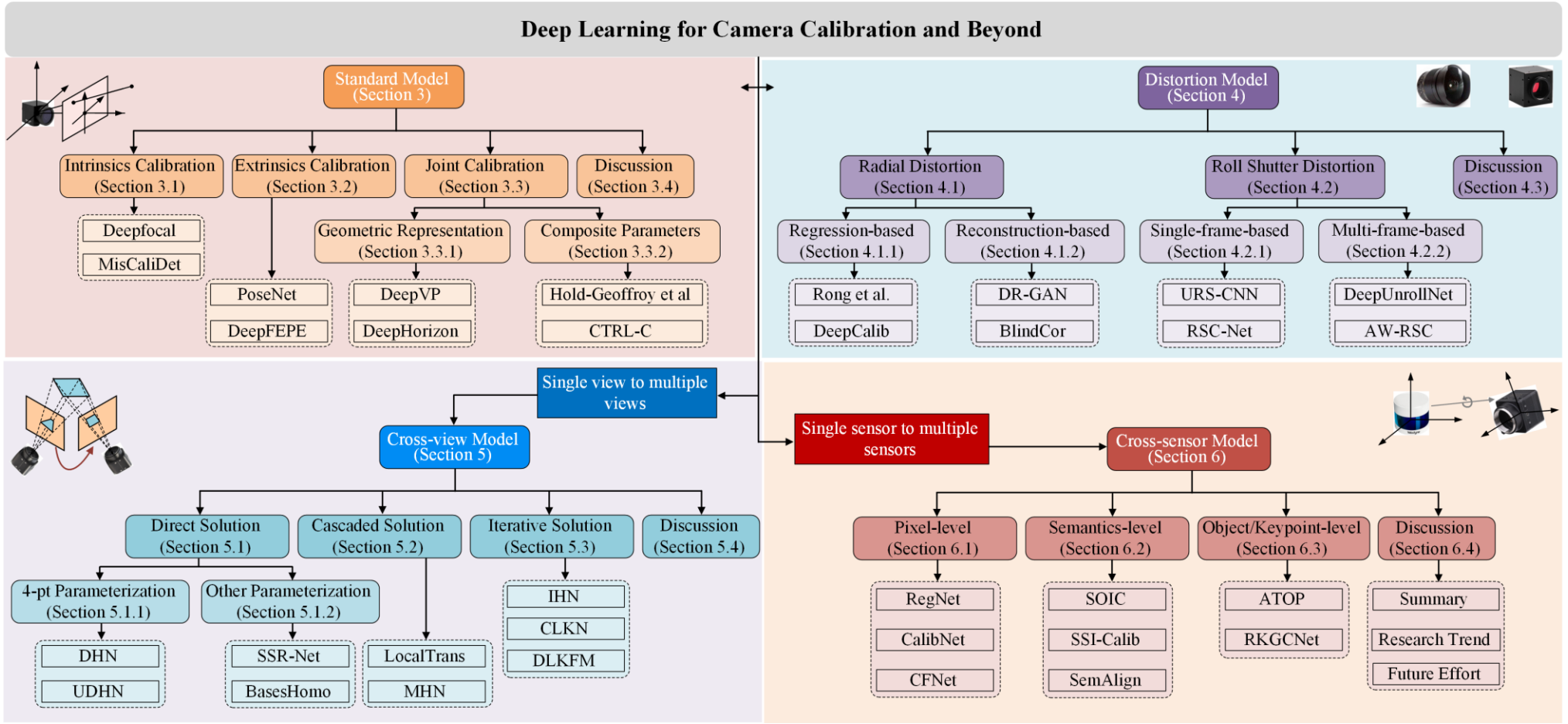

A useful survey on Deep Learning for Camera Calibration

Deep Learning for Camera Calibration and Beyond: A Survey, Kang Liao et al., 2023

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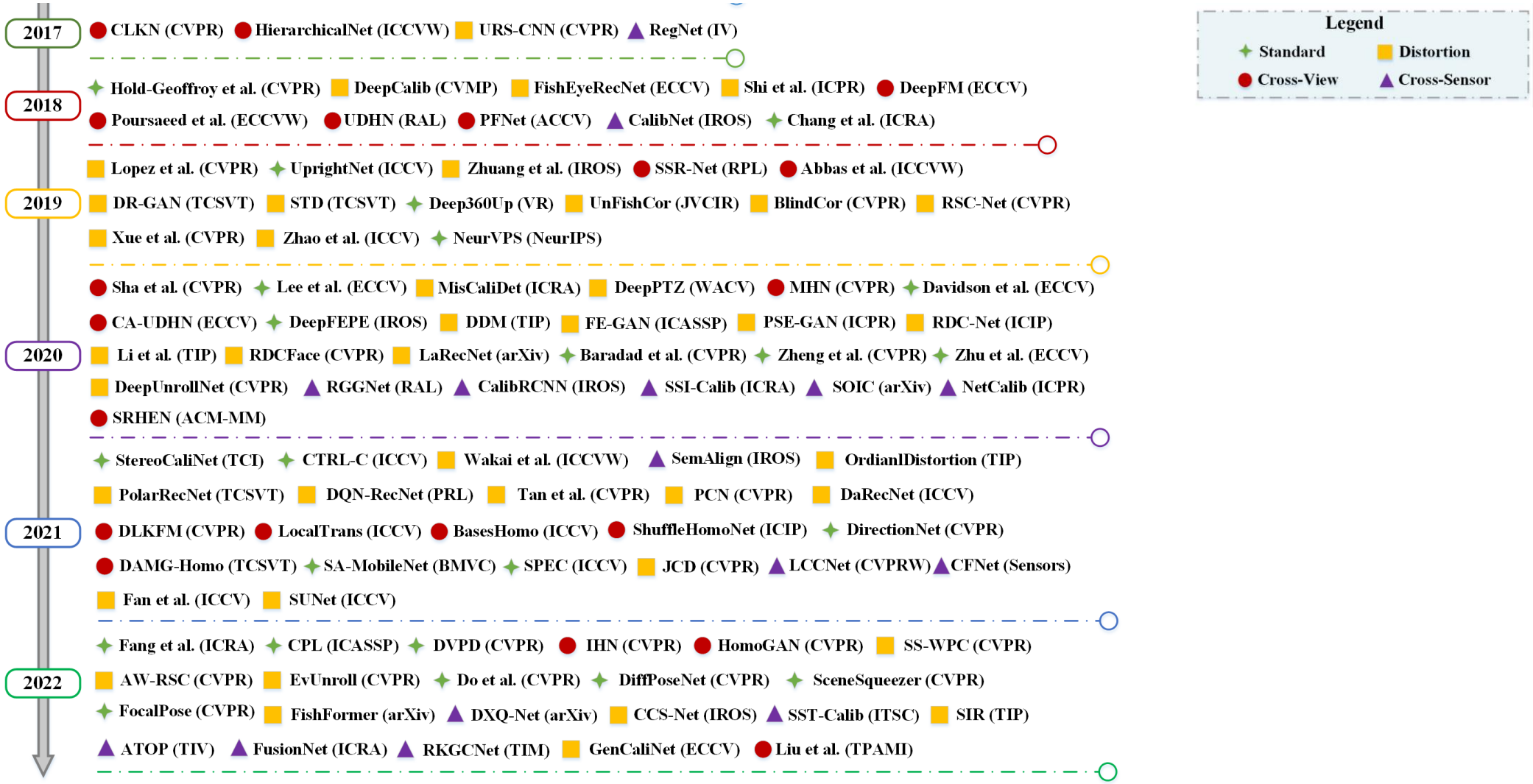

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Next Week

* Hands-on: AprilTag & camera calibration

+ Epipolar geometry

++ Fundamental matrix

+ Essential matrix

+ Planar Homography

+ PnP problem

++ Hand-eye calibration

*: know how to code
++: know how to derive
+: know the concept

References for Next Week

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