



Lecture 03

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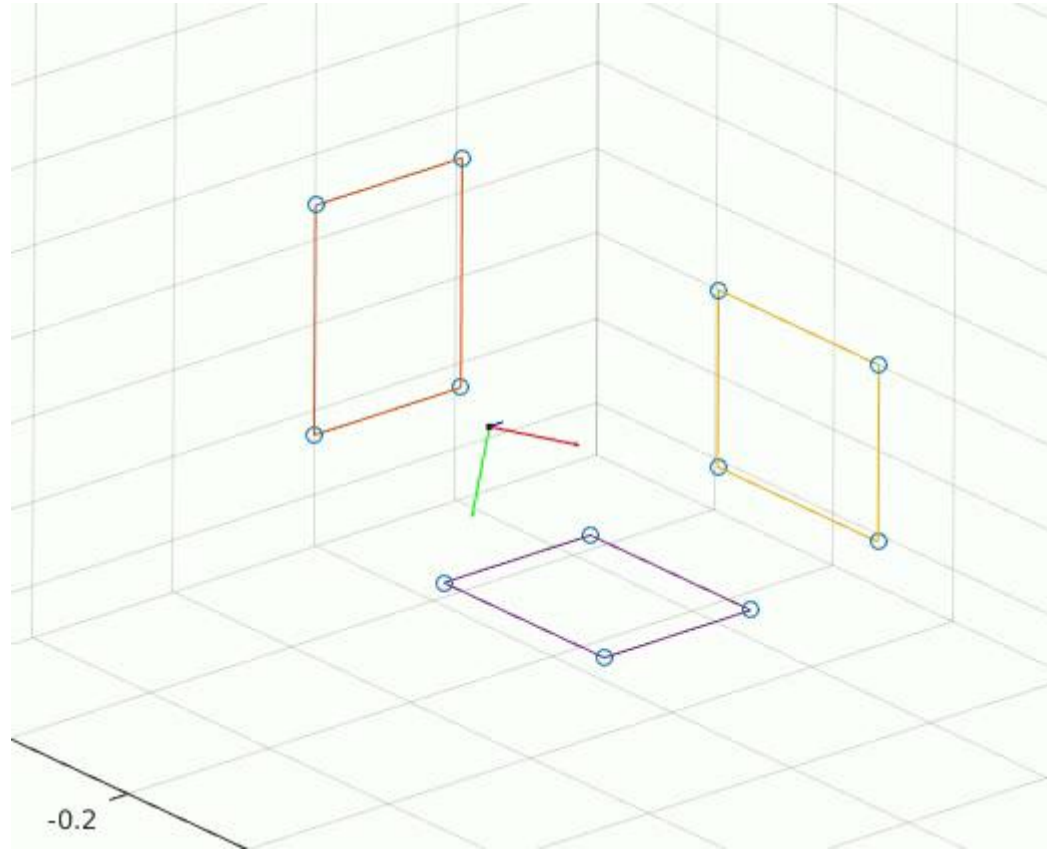
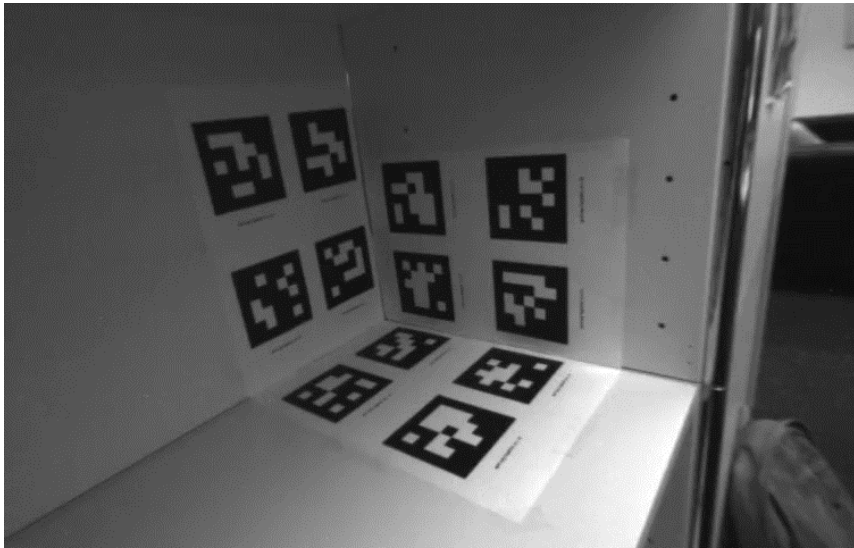
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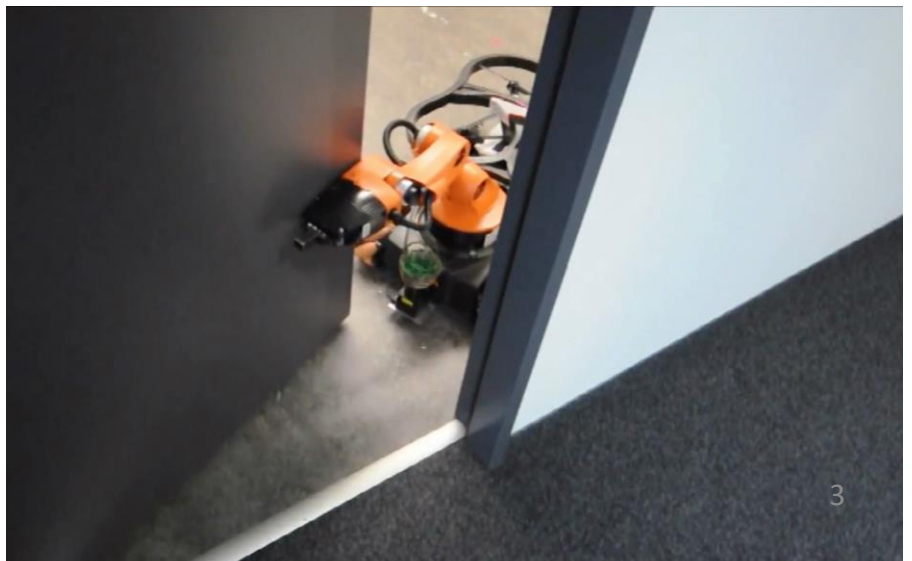
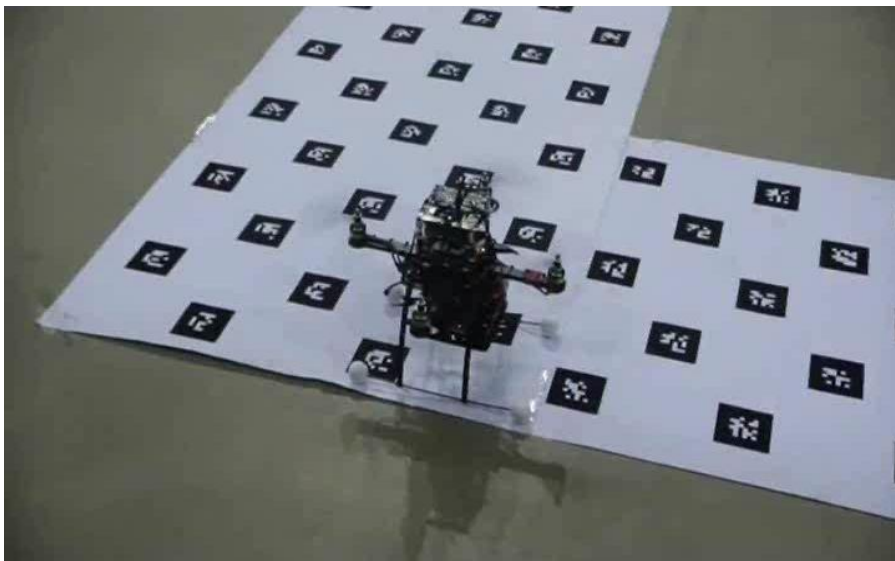
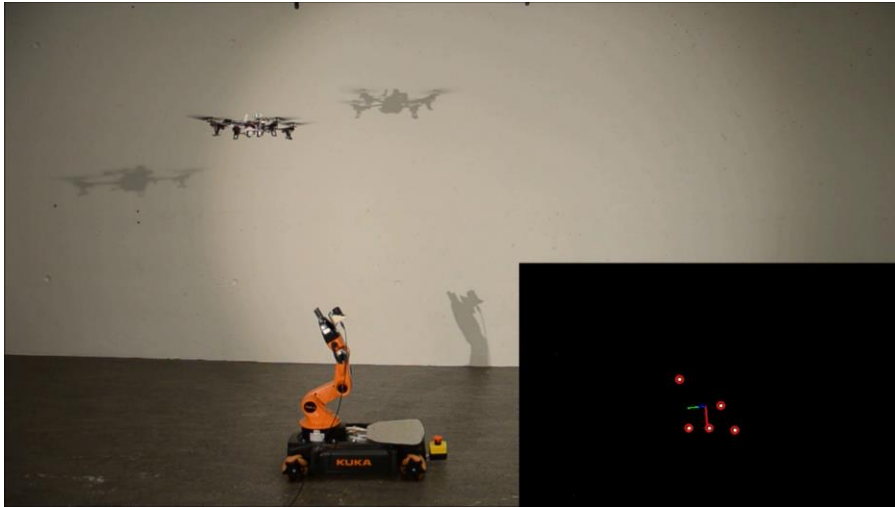
Lab Exercise 2 - Today afternoon

- Room ETH HG E 1.1 from 13:15 to 15:00
- Work description: your first camera motion estimator using DLT



Goal of today's lecture

- Study the algorithms behind robot-position control and augmented reality

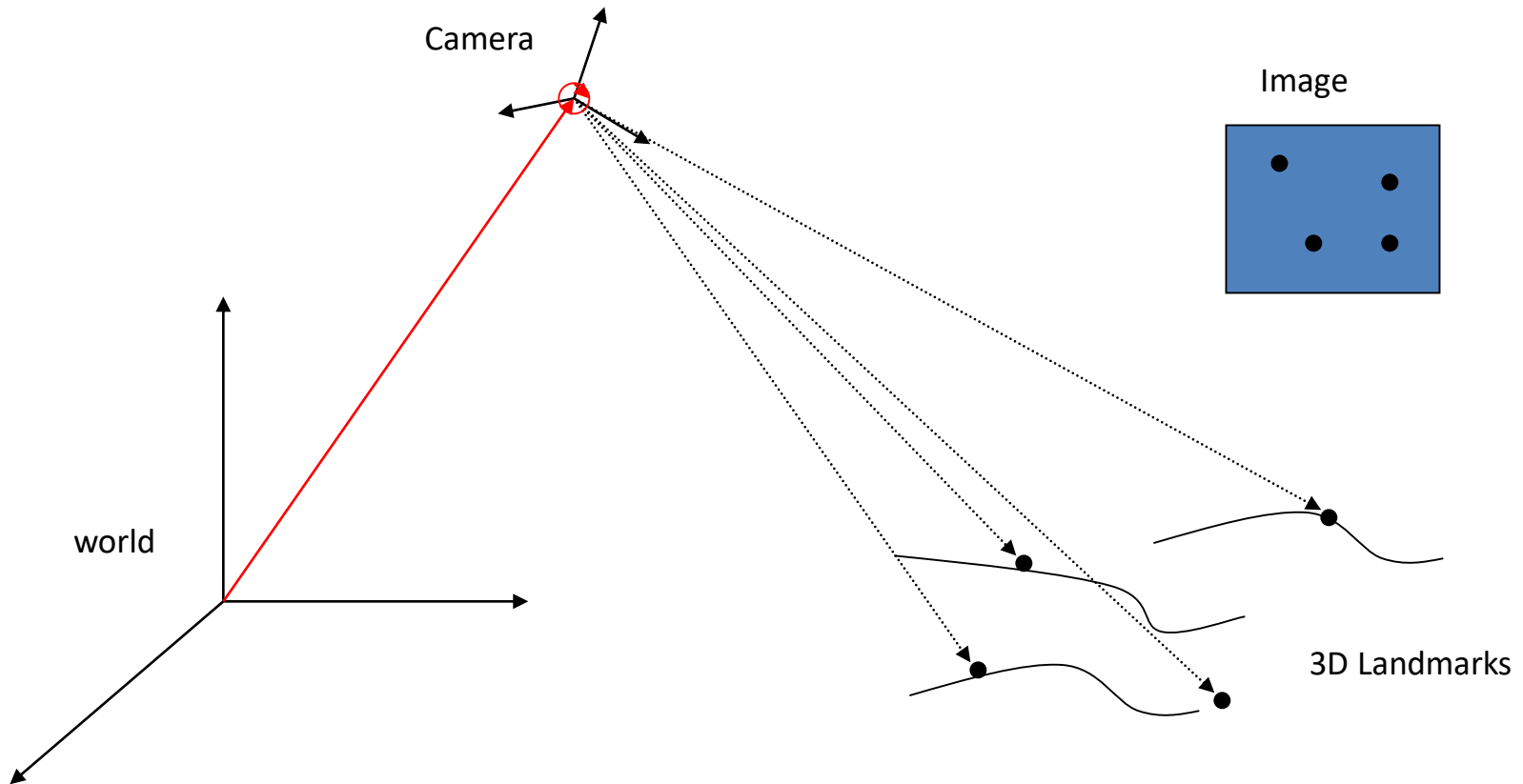


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Pose determination from n Points (PnP) Problem

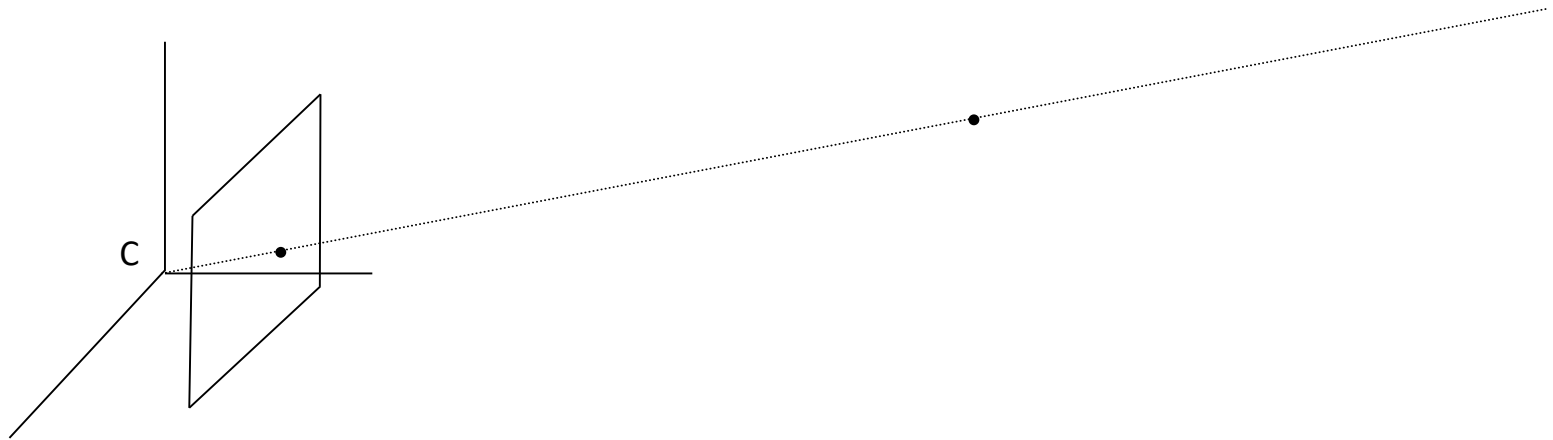
- Given known 3D landmarks in the world frame and given their image correspondences in the camera frame, determine the 6DOF pose of the camera in the world frame (including the intrinsic parameters if uncalibrated)



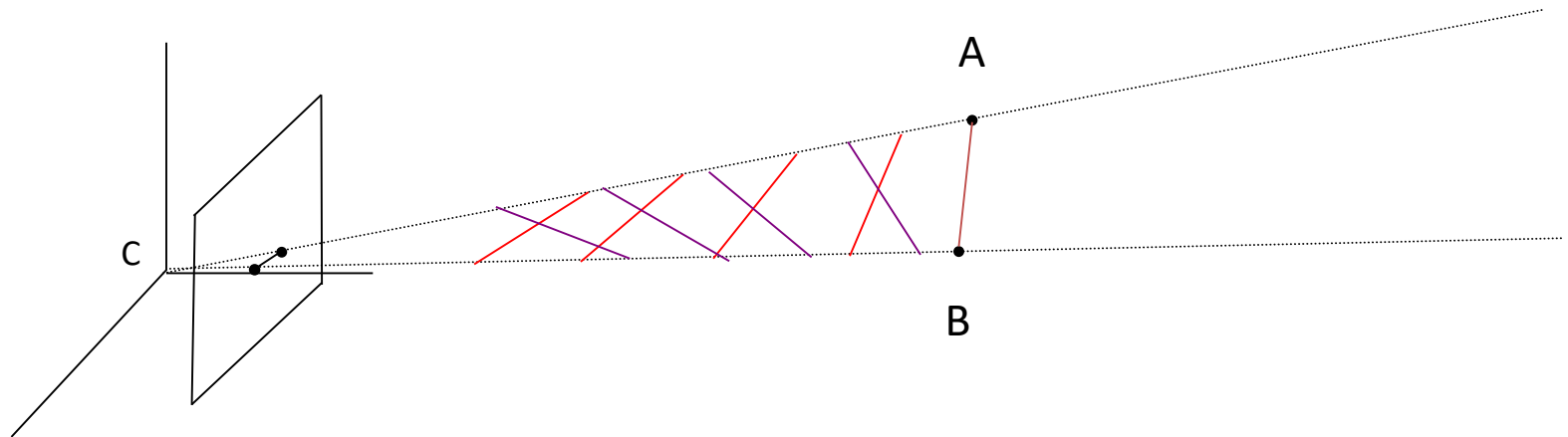
How Many Points are Enough?

- 1 Point: infinitely many solutions.
- 2 Points: infinitely many solutions, but bounded.
- 3 Points:
 - (no 3 collinear) finitely many solutions (up to 4).
- 4 Points:
 - Unique solution

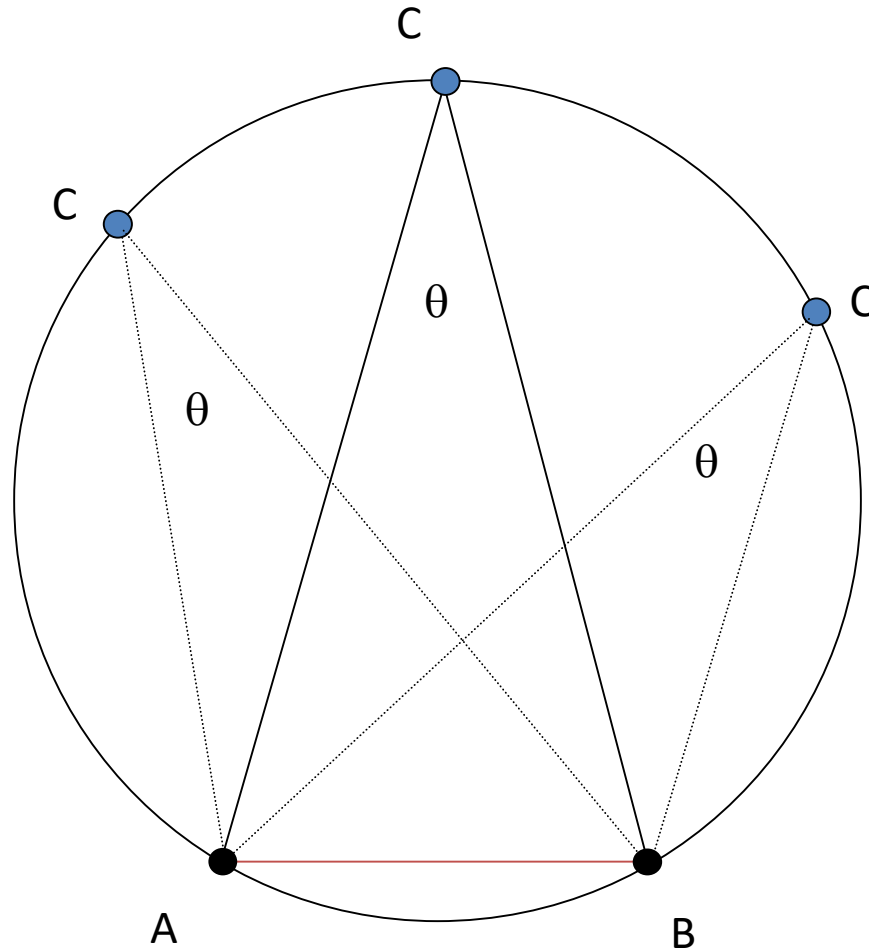
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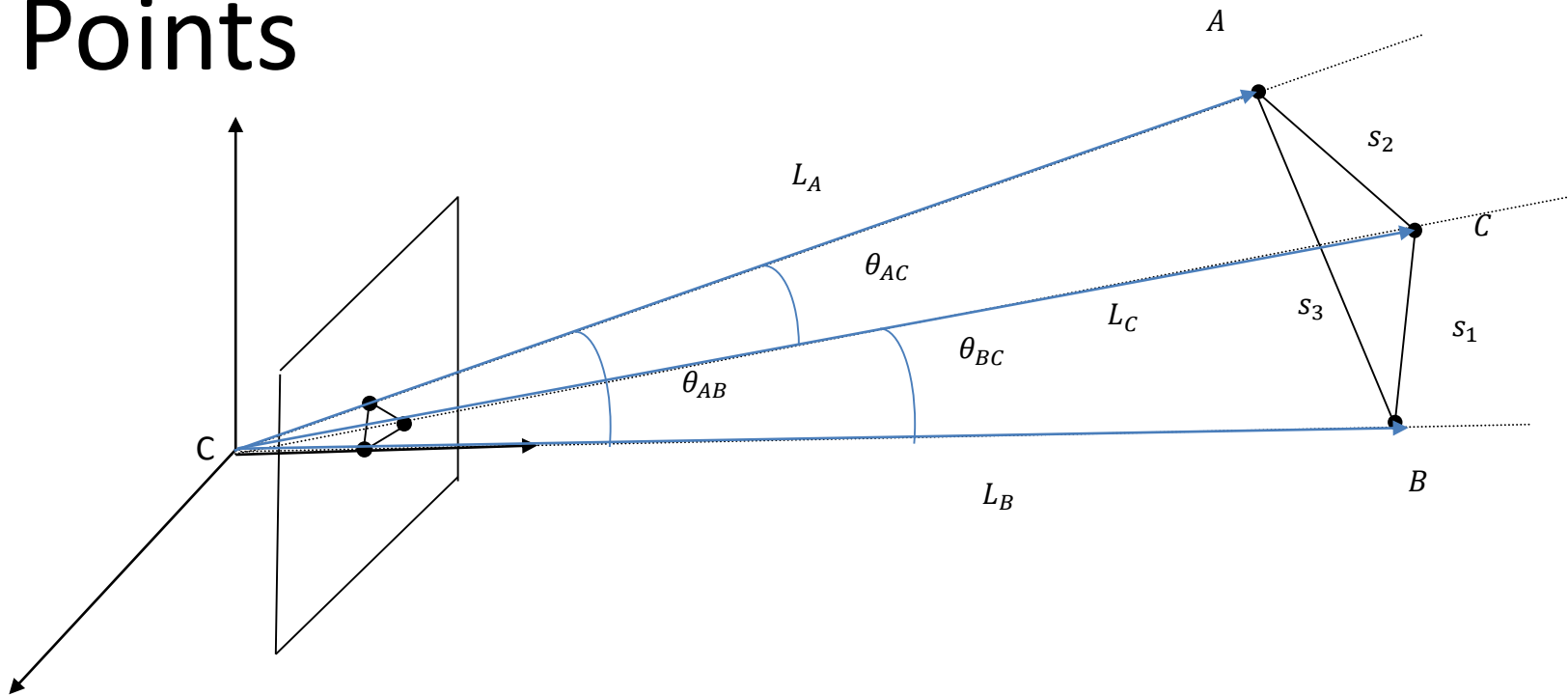
2 Points



Inscribed Angles are Equal



3 Points



From Carnot's Theorem:

$$s_1^2 = L_B^2 + L_C^2 - 2L_B L_C \cos \theta_{BC}$$

$$s_2^2 = L_A^2 + L_C^2 - 2L_A L_C \cos \theta_{AC}$$

$$s_3^2 = L_A^2 + L_B^2 - 2L_A L_B \cos \theta_{AB}$$

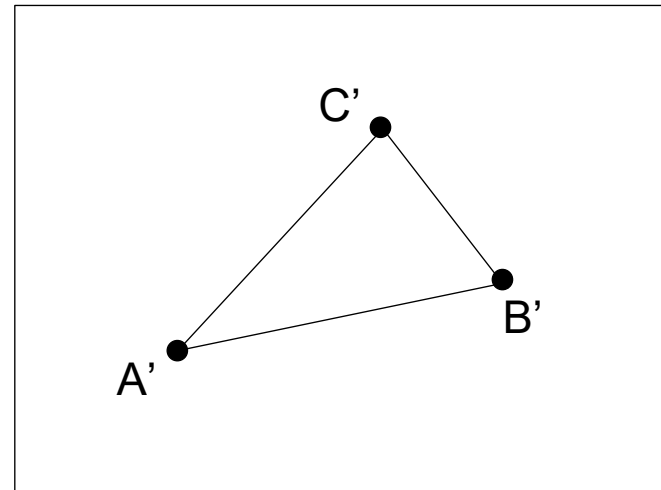


Image Plane

Algebraic Approach: reduce to 4th order equation

(Fischler and Bolles, 1981)

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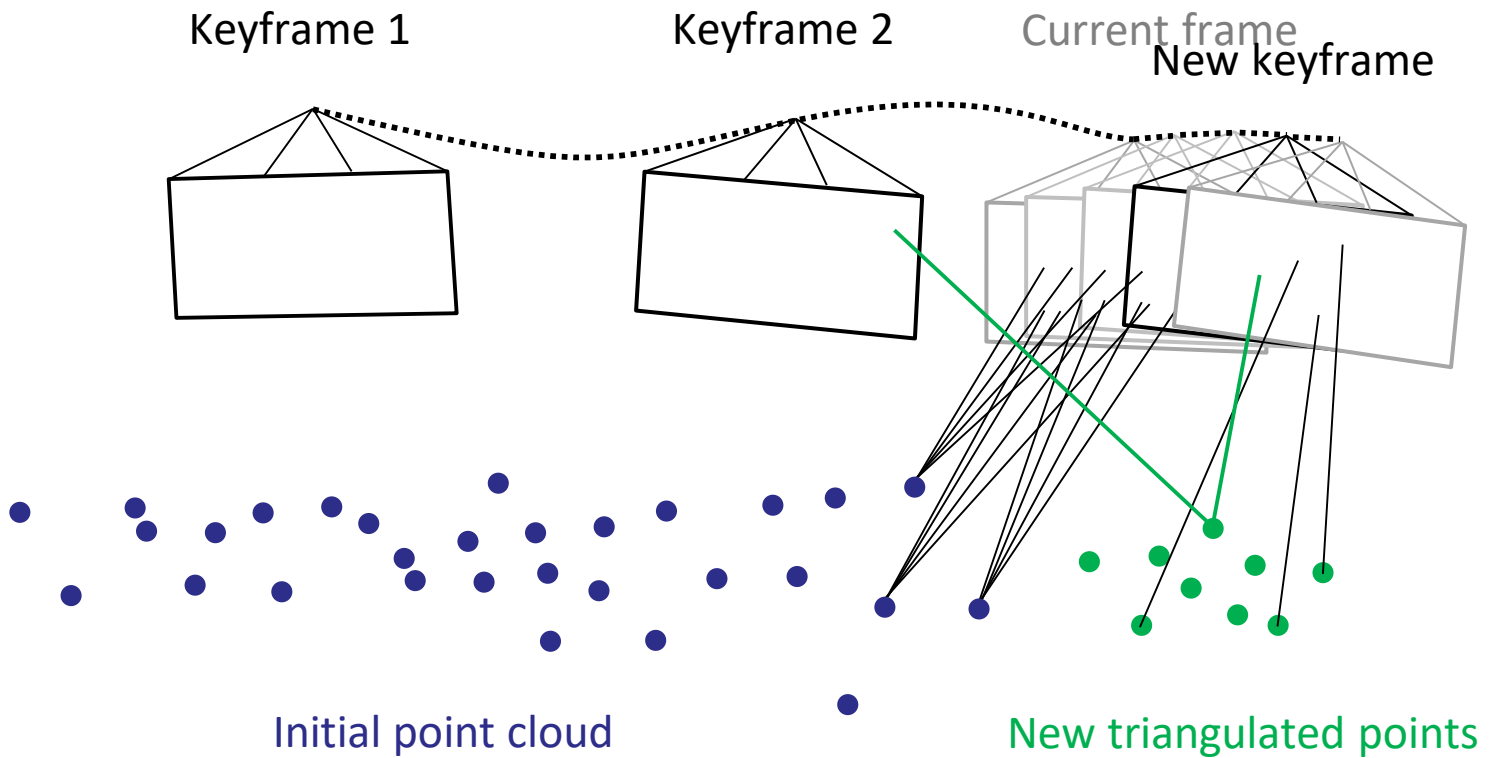
$$s_3^2 = L_A^2 + L_B^2 - 2L_A L_B \cos \theta_{AB}$$

- It is known that n independent polynomial equations, in n unknowns, can have no more solutions than the product of their respective degrees. Thus, the system can have a maximum of 8 solutions. However, because every term in the system is either a constant or of second degree, for every real positive solution there is a negative solution.
- Thus, with 3 points, there are at most 4 valid (positive) solutions.
- A 4th point can be used to disambiguate the solutions.

By defining $x = L_B/L_A$, it can be shown that the system can be reduced to a 4th order equation:

$$G_0 + G_1 x + G_2 x^2 + G_3 x^3 + G_4 x^4 = 0$$

Application to Monocular Visual Odometry: camera pose estimation from known 3D-2D correspondences



AR Application: Microsoft HoloLens



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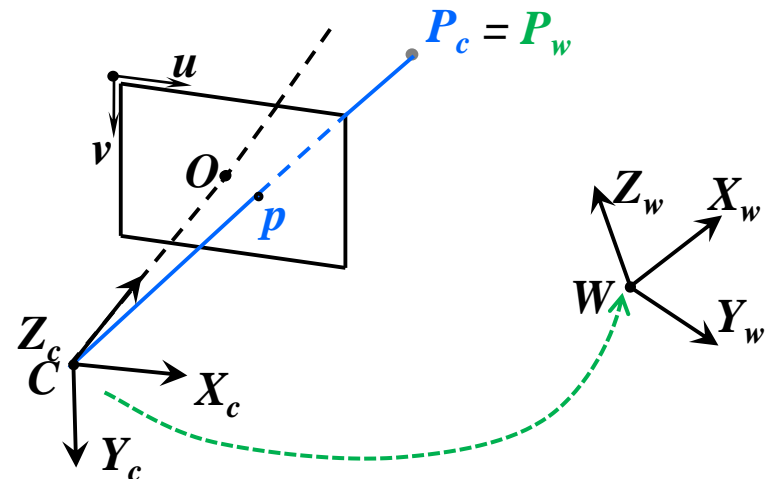
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Camera calibration

- Calibration is the process to determine the **intrinsic and extrinsic** parameters of the camera model
- A method proposed in 1987 by Tsai consists of measuring the 3D position of $n \geq 6$ control points on a three-dimensional calibration target and the 2D coordinates of their projection in the image. This problem is also called “**Resection**”, or “**Perspective from n Points**”, or “**Camera pose from 3D-to-2D correspondences**”, and is one of the most widely used algorithms in Computer Vision and Robotics
- Solution: The intrinsic and extrinsic parameters are computed directly from the perspective projection equation; let's see how!



3D position of control points is assigned in a reference frame specified by the user



Camera calibration: Direct Linear Transform (DLT)

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$$\tilde{p} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \\ \tilde{w} \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = K \begin{bmatrix} R & T \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} X_w \\ Y_w \\ Z_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow$$

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$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \\ \tilde{w} \end{bmatrix} = M \cdot \begin{bmatrix} X_w \\ Y_w \\ Z_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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where m_i^T is the i -th row of M

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Camera calibration: Direct Linear Transform (DLT)

$$Q \cdot M = 0$$

Minimal solution

- $Q_{(2n \times 12)}$ should have rank 11 to have a unique (up to a scale) non-trivial solution M
- Each 3D-to-2D point correspondence provides 2 independent equations
- Thus, $5 + \frac{1}{2}$ point correspondences are needed (in practice **6 point** correspondences!)

Over-determined solution

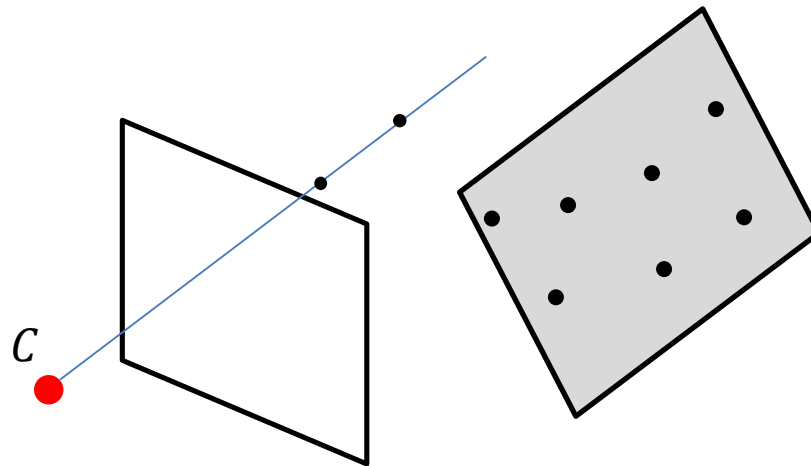
- $n \geq 6$ points
- A solution is to minimize $\|QM\|^2$ subject to the constraint $\|M\|^2 = 1$.
It can be solved through Singular Value Decomposition (SVD). The solution is the eigenvector corresponding to the smallest eigenvalue of the matrix $Q^T Q$ (because it is the unit vector x that minimizes $\|Qx\|^2 = x^T Q^T Q x$).
- Matlab instructions:
 - `[U, S, V] = svd(Q);`
 - `M = V(:, 12);`

Camera calibration: Direct Linear Transform (DLT)

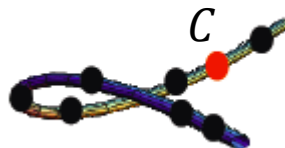
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Degenerate configurations

1. Points lying on a **plane** and/or along a single **line** passing through the **projection center**



2. Camera and points on a twisted cubic (i.e., smooth curve in 3D space of degree 3)



Camera calibration: Direct Linear Transform (DLT)

- Once we have the M matrix, we can recover the intrinsic and extrinsic parameters by remembering that

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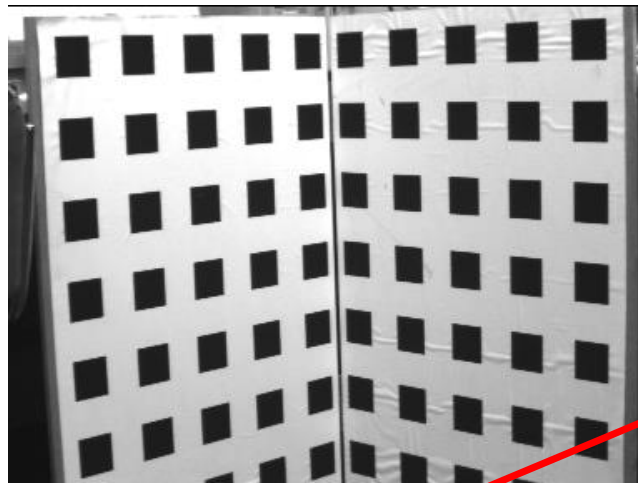
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- However, notice that we are not enforcing the constraint that R is orthogonal, i.e., $R \cdot R^T = I$
- To do this, we can use the so-called QR factorization of M , which decomposes M into a R (orthogonal), T , and an upper triangular matrix (i.e., K)

Tsai's (1987) Calibration example

1. Edge detection
2. Straight line fitting to the detected edges
3. Intersecting the lines to obtain the image corners (corner accuracy < 0.1 pixels)
4. **Use more than 6 points** (ideally more than 20) **and not all lying on a plane**

Why is this ratio not 1?



What are the «skew» and «residuals»?

f_y	f_x / f_y	skew	x_0	y_0	residual
1673.3	1.0063	1.39	379.96	305.78	0.365

Tsai's (1987) Calibration example

- The original Tsai calibration (1987) used to consider two different focal lengths α_u, α_v (which means that the pixels are not squared) and a skew factor ($K_{12} \neq 0$, which means the pixels are parallelograms instead of rectangles) to account for possible misalignments (small x, y rotation) between image plane and lens
- Most today's cameras are well manufactured, thus, we can assume $\frac{\alpha_u}{\alpha_v} = 1$ and $K_{12} = 0$
- What is the residual? The residual is the *average* “reprojection error”. The reprojection error is computed as the distance (in pixels) between the observed pixel point and the camera-reprojected 3D point. The reprojection error gives as a quantitative measure of the accuracy of the calibration (ideally it should be zero).



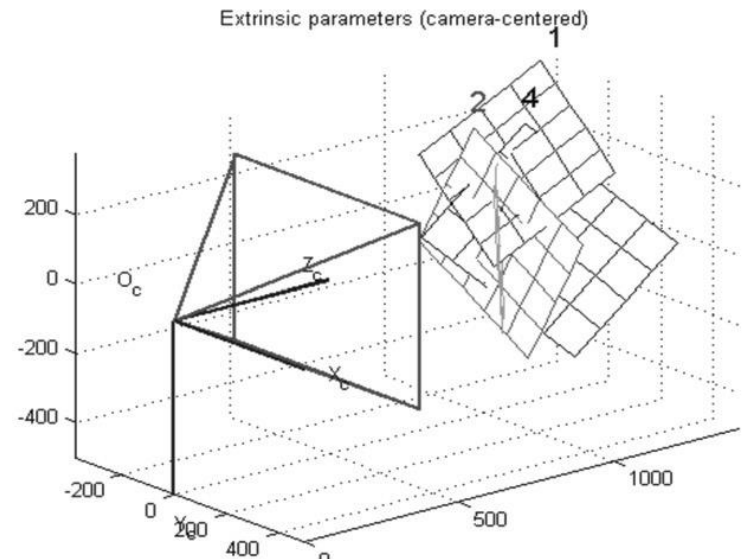
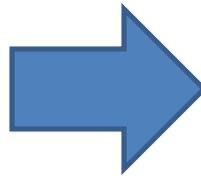
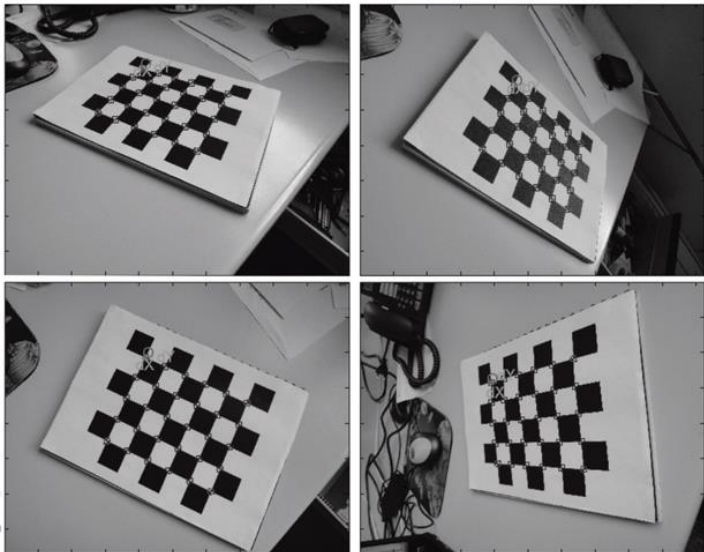
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Camera calibration from planar grids: homographies

- Tsai's calibration is based on DLT algorithm, which requires points not to lie on the same plane
- An alternative method (today's standard camera calibration method) consists of using a planar grid (e.g., a chessboard) and a few images of it shown at different orientations
- This method was invented by Zhang (1999) @Microsoft Research



Camera calibration from planar grids: homographies

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$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \\ \tilde{w} \end{bmatrix} = H \cdot \begin{bmatrix} X_w \\ Y_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This matrix is called
Homography

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \\ \tilde{w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_1^T \\ h_2^T \\ h_3^T \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} X_w \\ Y_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where h_i^T is the i -th row of H

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where $P = (X_w, Y_w, 1)^T$

Camera calibration from planar grids: homographies

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Q (this matrix is **known**) H (this matrix is **unknown**)

Camera calibration from planar grids: homographies

$$Q \cdot H = 0$$

Minimal solution

- $Q_{(2n \times 9)}$ should have rank 8 to have a unique (up to a scale) non-trivial solution H
- Each point correspondence provides 2 independent equations
- Thus, a minimum of **4 non-collinear points** is required

Over-determined solution

- $n \geq 4$ points
- It can be solved through Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) (same considerations as the case before apply)

Solving for K, R and T

- H can be decomposed by recalling that

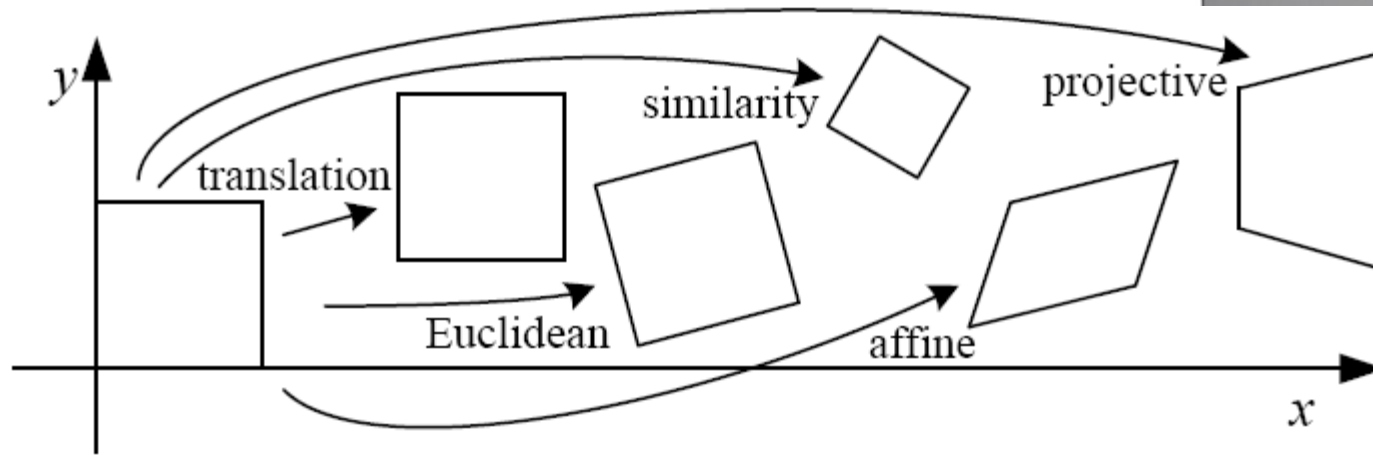
$$\begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_u & 0 & u_0 \\ 0 & \alpha_v & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & t_1 \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & t_2 \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & t_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

How to recover K, R, T from H ?

Won't be asked
at the exam

1. Estimate the homography H_i for each view, using the DLT algorithm.
2. Determine the intrinsics K of the camera from a set of homographies:
 1. Each homography $H_i \sim K(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{t})$ provides two *linear* equations in the 6 entries of the matrix $B := K^{-\top}K^{-1}$. Letting $\mathbf{w}_1 := K\mathbf{r}_1$, $\mathbf{w}_2 := K\mathbf{r}_2$, the rotation constraints $\mathbf{r}_1^\top \mathbf{r}_1 = \mathbf{r}_2^\top \mathbf{r}_2 = 1$ and $\mathbf{r}_1^\top \mathbf{r}_2 = 0$ become $\mathbf{w}_1^\top B \mathbf{w}_1 - \mathbf{w}_2^\top B \mathbf{w}_2 = 0$ and $\mathbf{w}_1^\top B \mathbf{w}_2 = 0$.
 2. Stack $2N$ equations from N views, to yield a linear system $A\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$. Solve for \mathbf{b} (i.e., B) using the Singular Value Decomposition (SVD).
 3. Use Cholesky decomposition to obtain K from B .
3. The extrinsic parameters for each view can be computed using K :
 $\mathbf{r}_1 \sim \lambda K^{-1}H_i(:, 1)$, $\mathbf{r}_2 \sim \lambda K^{-1}H_i(:, 2)$, $\mathbf{r}_3 = \mathbf{r}_1 \times \mathbf{r}_2$ and $T_i = \lambda K^{-1}H_i(:, 3)$,
with $\lambda = 1/K^{-1}H_i(:, 1)$. Finally, build $R_i = (\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{r}_3)$ and enforce rotation matrix constraints.

Types of 2D Transformations



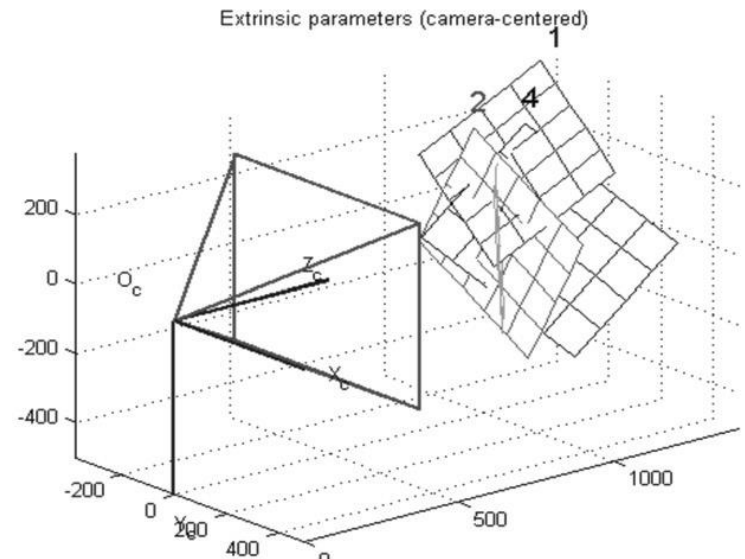
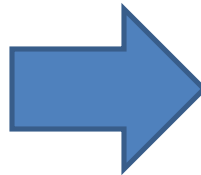
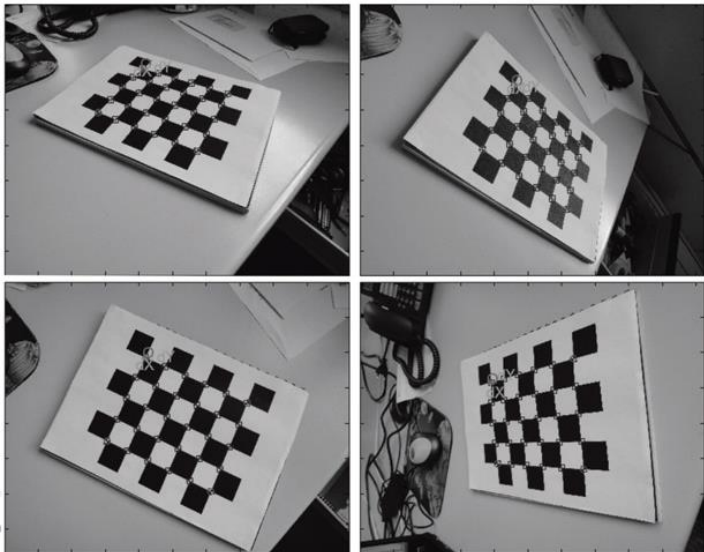
Name	Matrix	# D.O.F.	Preserves:	Icon
translation	$\begin{bmatrix} I & t \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	2	orientation + ...	
rigid (Euclidean)	$\begin{bmatrix} R & t \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	3	lengths + ...	
similarity	$\begin{bmatrix} sR & t \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	4	angles + ...	
affine	$\begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	6	parallelism + ...	
projective	$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{H} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$	8	straight lines	

This transformation is called Homography

Camera calibration from planar grids: homographies

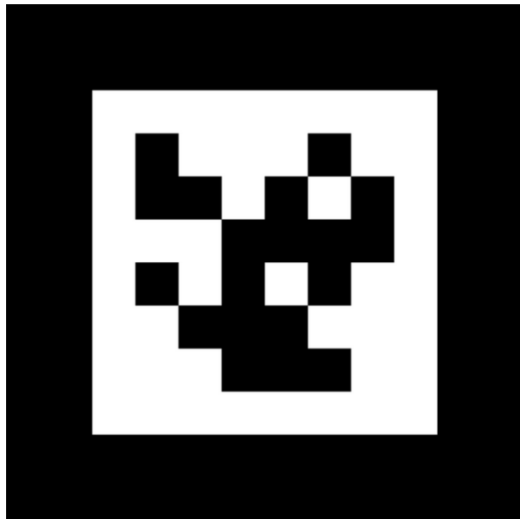
- Demo of Camera Calibration Toolbox for Matlab (world's standard toolbox for calibrating perspective cameras):

http://www.vision.caltech.edu/bouguetj/calib_doc/



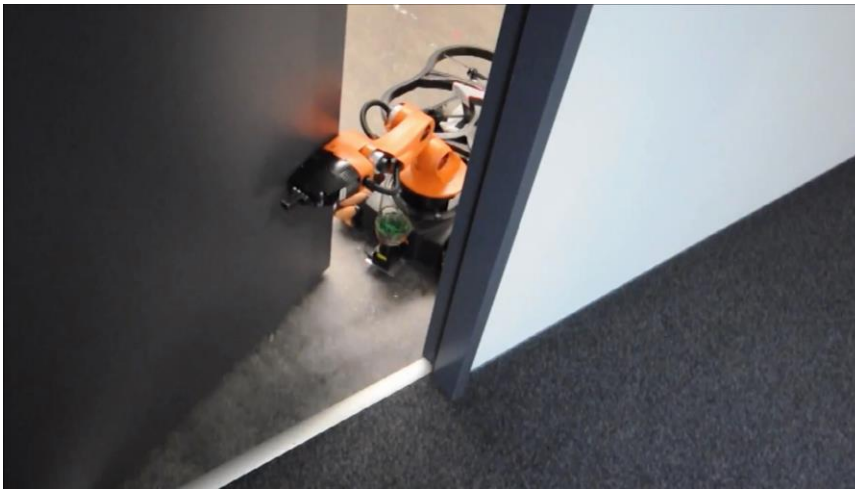
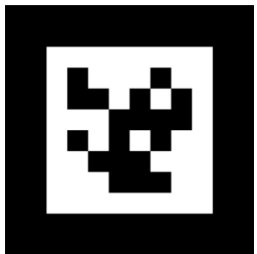
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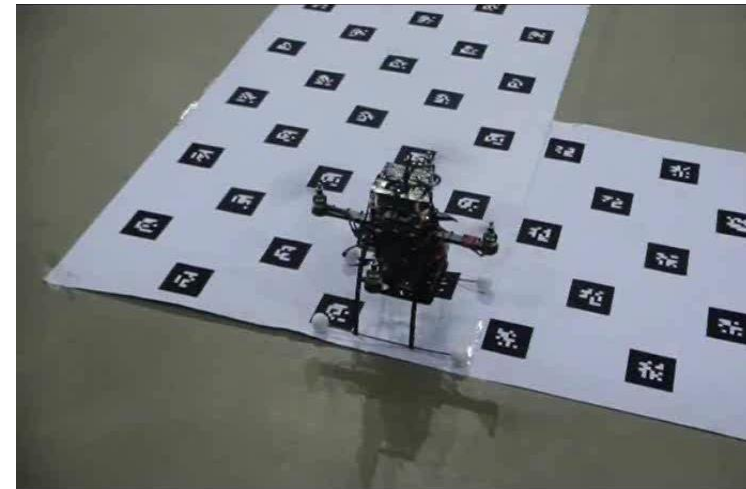


Application of calibration from planar grids

- Today, there are thousands of application of this algorithm:
 - Augmented reality
 - Robotics (beacon-based localization)
- Do we need to know the metric size of the tag?
 - For Augmented Reality?
 - For Robotics?



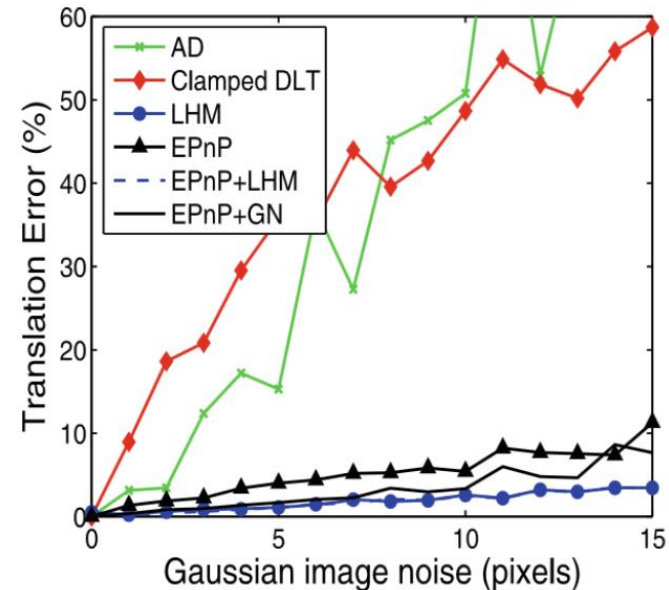
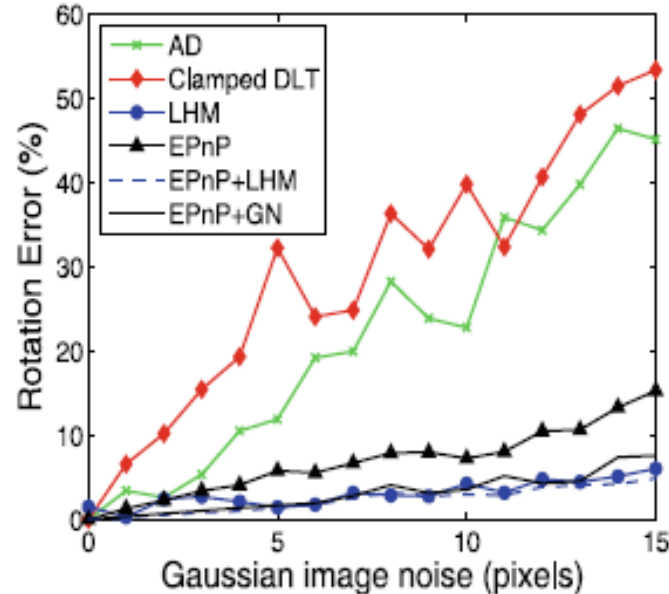
RPG (us) 2013



ETH, Pollefeys group, 2010

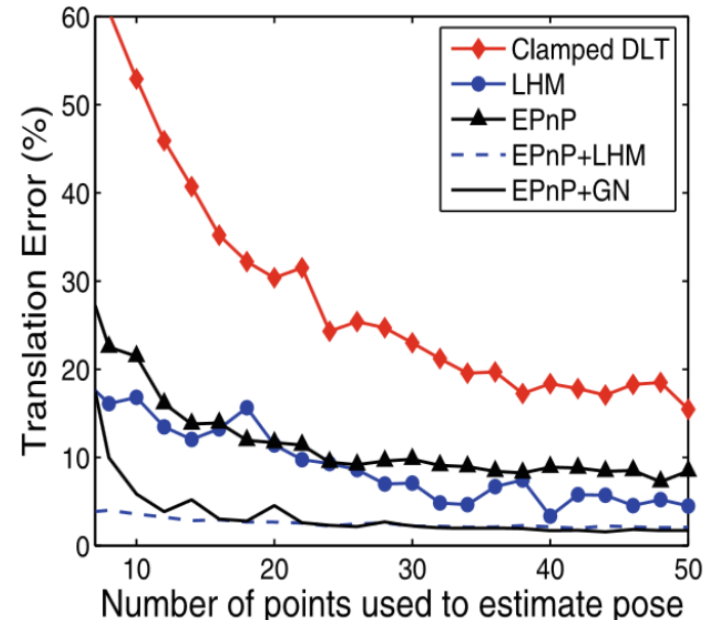
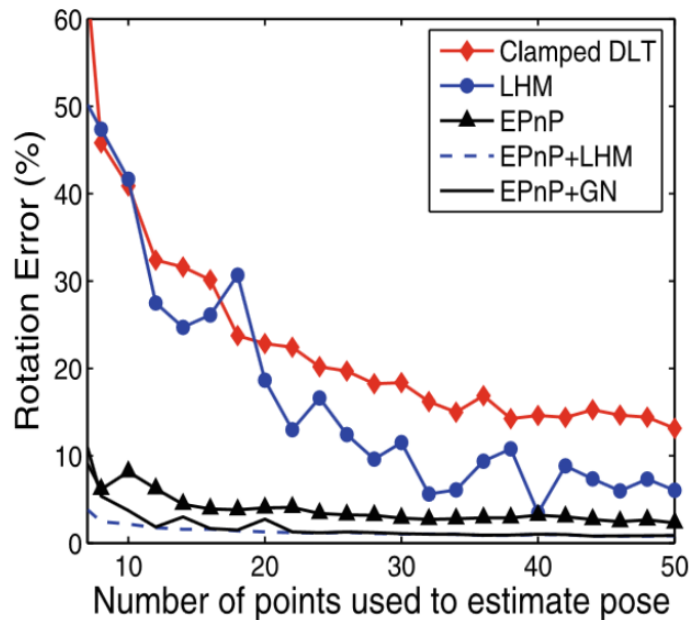
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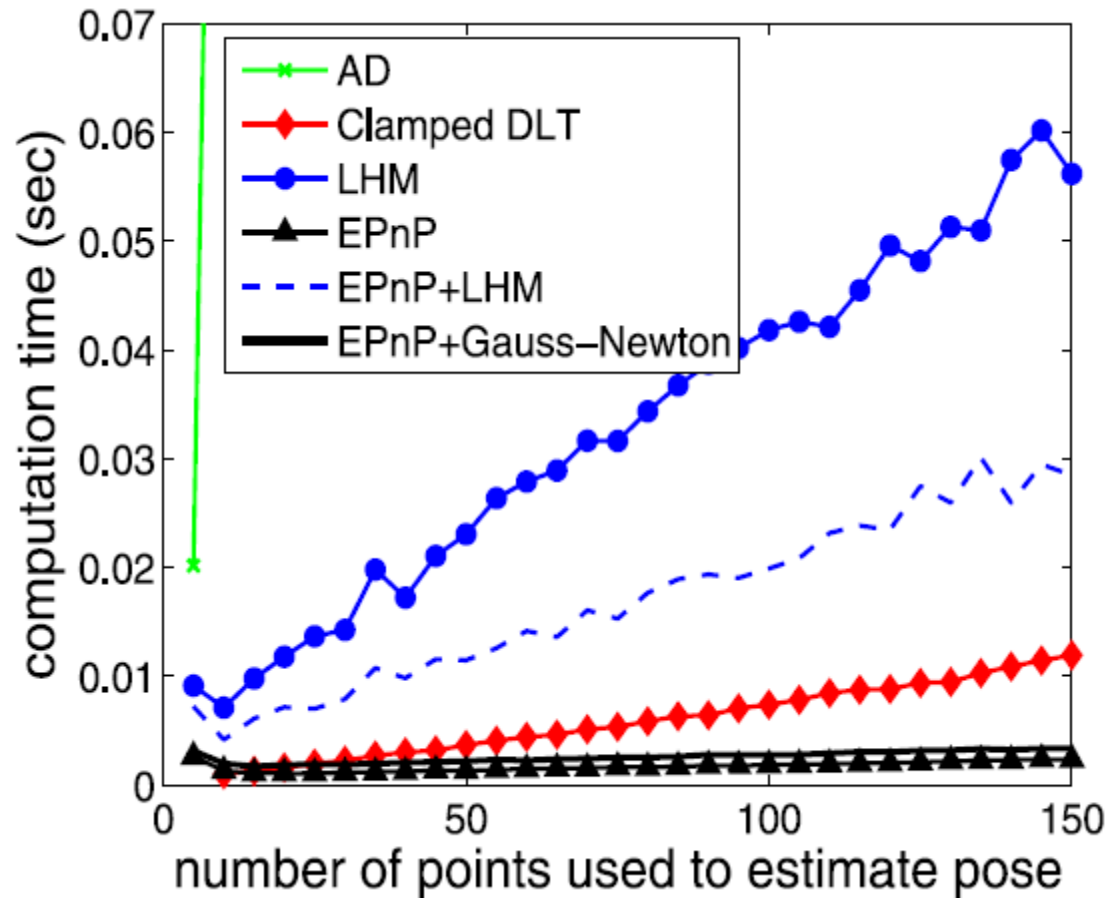


DLT vs PnP: Accuracy vs number of points

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DLT vs PnP: Timing

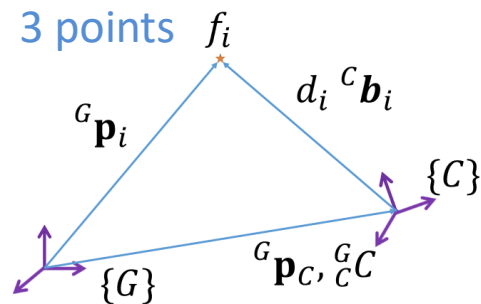


An Efficient Algebraic Solution to P3P

Ke and Roumeliotis (CVPR'17)

Similarly to Kneip (CVPR'11) and Maselli (ICPR'14), directly solve for the camera's pose (not the distances).

1. Eliminate the camera's position and the features' distances to yield a system of 3 equations *in the camera's orientation alone*.



Pairwise subtraction and dot product

$$({}^G\mathbf{p}_1 - {}^G\mathbf{p}_2)^T {}^G_C \mathbf{C} ({}^C\mathbf{b}_1 \times {}^C\mathbf{b}_2) = 0$$

$$({}^G\mathbf{p}_1 - {}^G\mathbf{p}_3)^T {}^G_C \mathbf{C} ({}^C\mathbf{b}_1 \times {}^C\mathbf{b}_3) = 0$$

$$({}^G\mathbf{p}_2 - {}^G\mathbf{p}_3)^T {}^G_C \mathbf{C} ({}^C\mathbf{b}_2 \times {}^C\mathbf{b}_3) = 0$$

2. Successively eliminate two of the unknown 3-DOFs (angles) algebraically and arrive at a *quartic polynomial equation*.
- **Results:** outperforms previous methods in terms of speed, accuracy, and robustness to close-to-singular cases.
 - Available in **OpenCV > 3.3**. solvePnP() with SOLVEPNP_AP3P

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Omnidirectional Cameras



Rome, St. Peter's square

Overview on Omnidirectional Cameras

Omnidirectional sensors come in many varieties, but by definition must have a wide field-of-view.

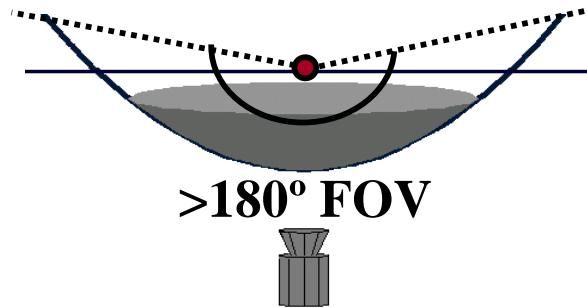
~180° FOV



Wide FOV dioptric cameras (e.g. fisheye)



Dioptric

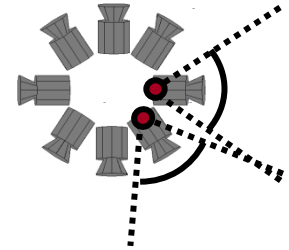


Catadioptric cameras (e.g. cameras and mirror systems)



Catadioptric

~360° FOV



Polydioptric cameras (e.g. multiple overlapping cameras)



Polydioptric

Catadioptric Cameras



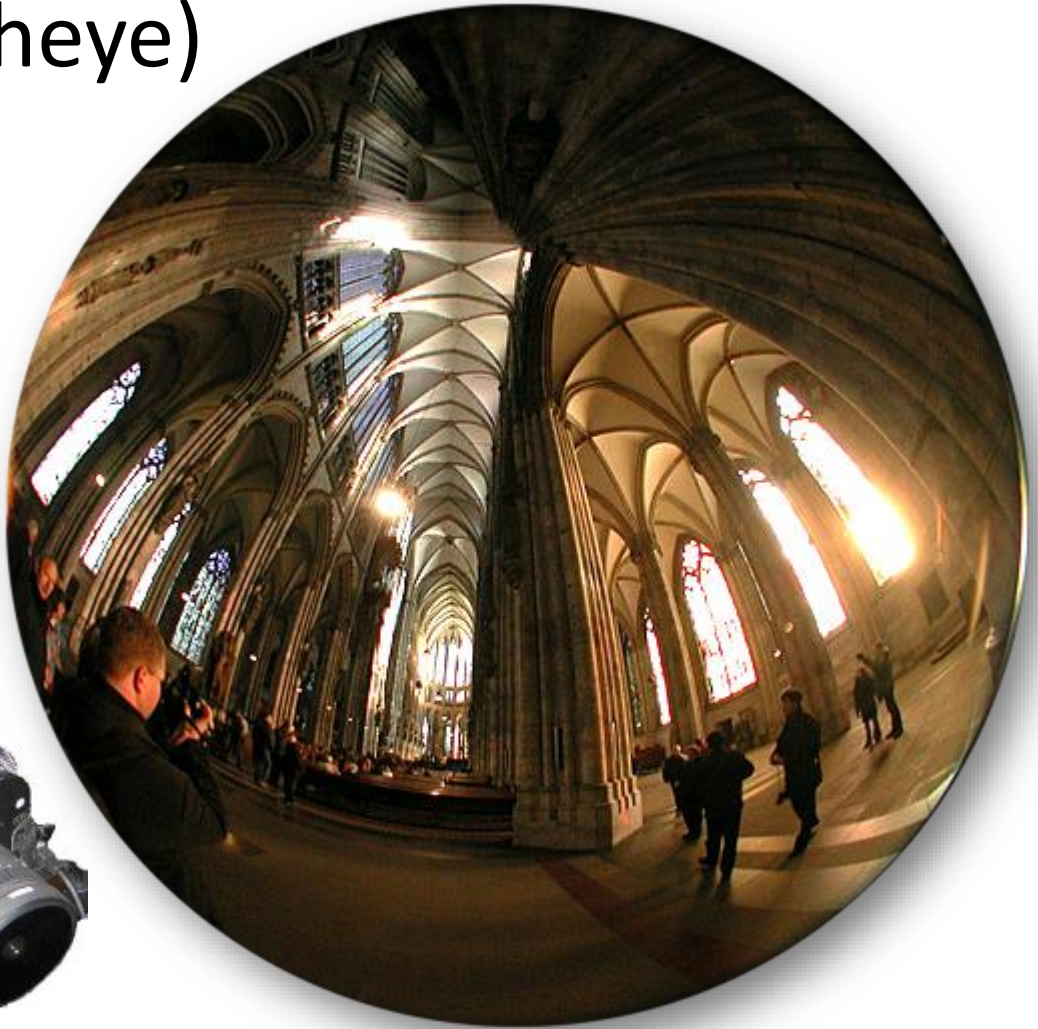
Dioptric Cameras (fisheye)



Nikon Coolpix
FC-E9 Lens
 $360^{\circ} \times 183^{\circ}$



Canon EOS-1
Sigma Lens
 $360^{\circ} \times 180^{\circ}$



Example:

Same scene viewed by three different camera models:



Perspective



Fisheye



Catadioptric

<http://rpg.ifi.uzh.ch/fov.html>

Z. Zhang et al. (RPG), Benefit of Large Field-of-View Cameras for Visual Odometry, ICRA 2016

Applications

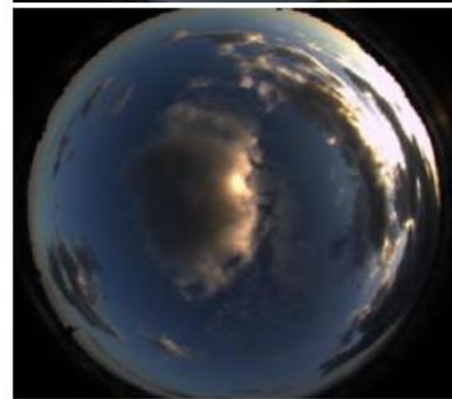
Applications

- Daimler, Bosch: for car driving assistance systems



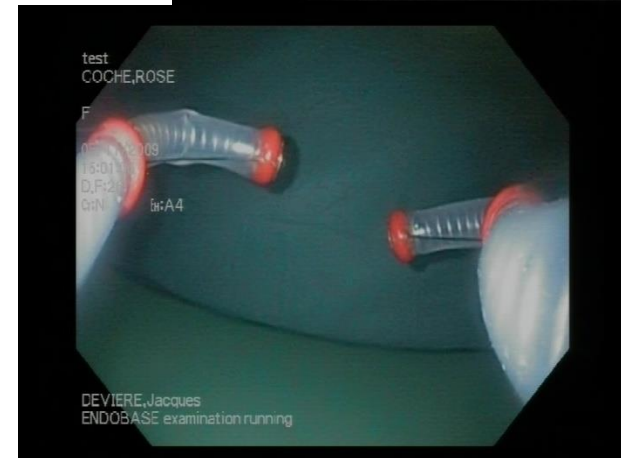
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(Courtesy of Endo Tools Therapeutics, Brussels)

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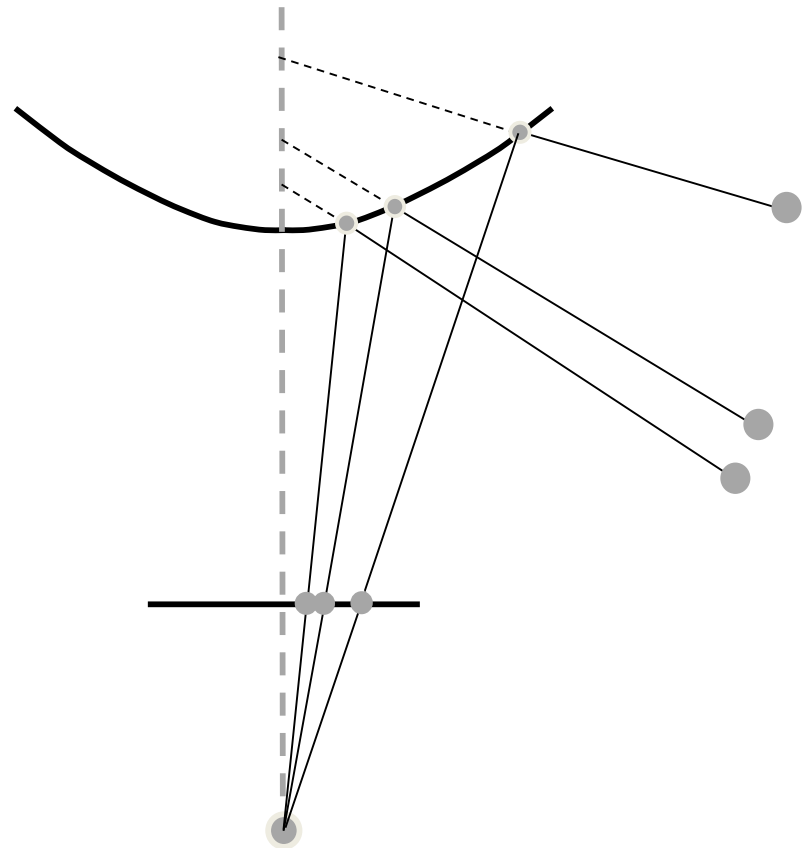
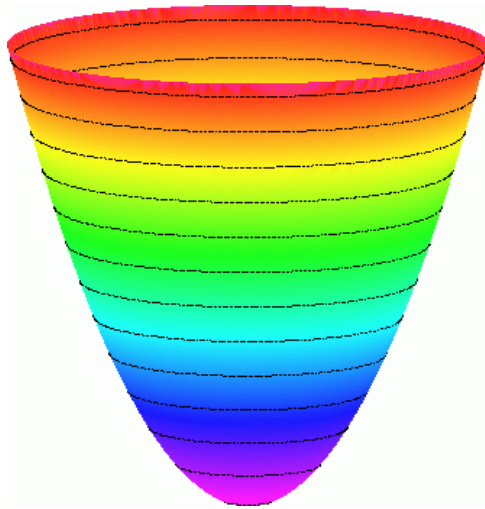
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- Google Street View



Catadioptric cameras

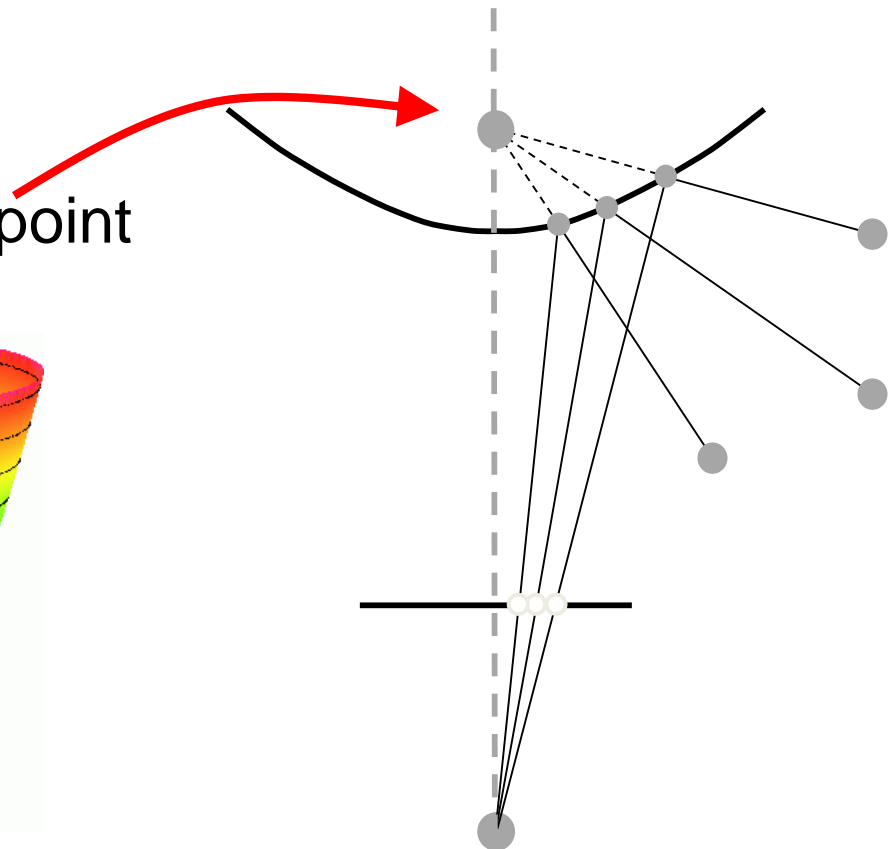
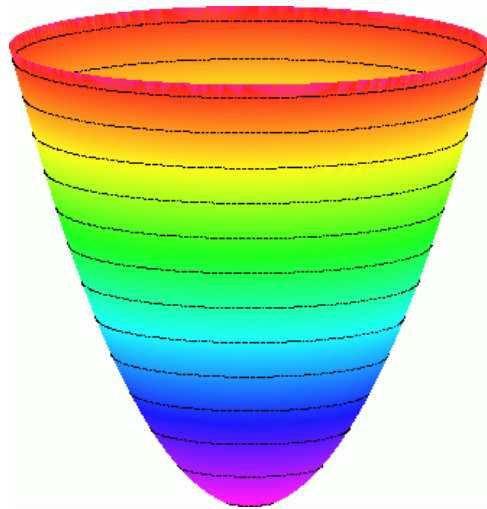
- mirror
- perspective camera



Catadioptric cameras

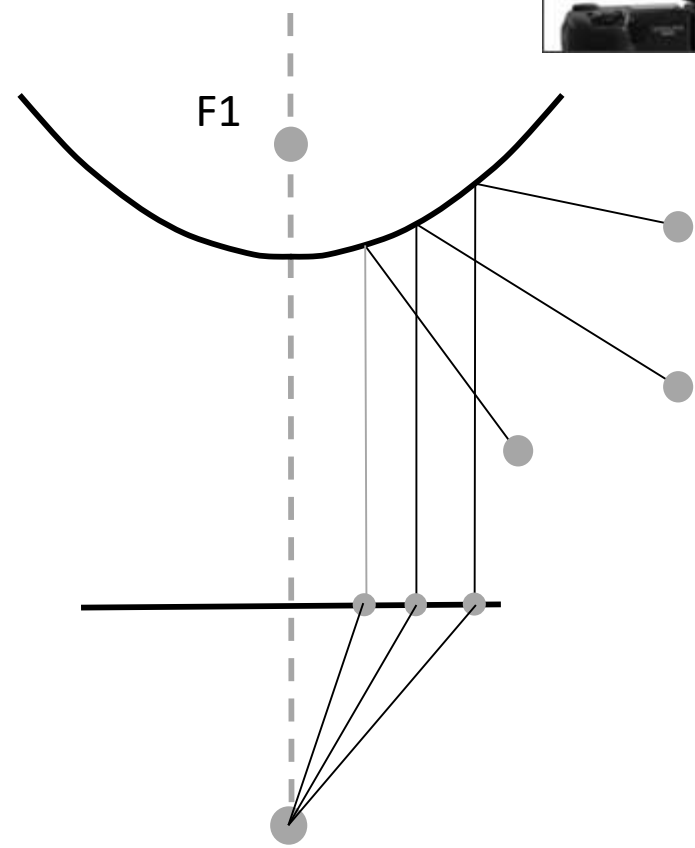
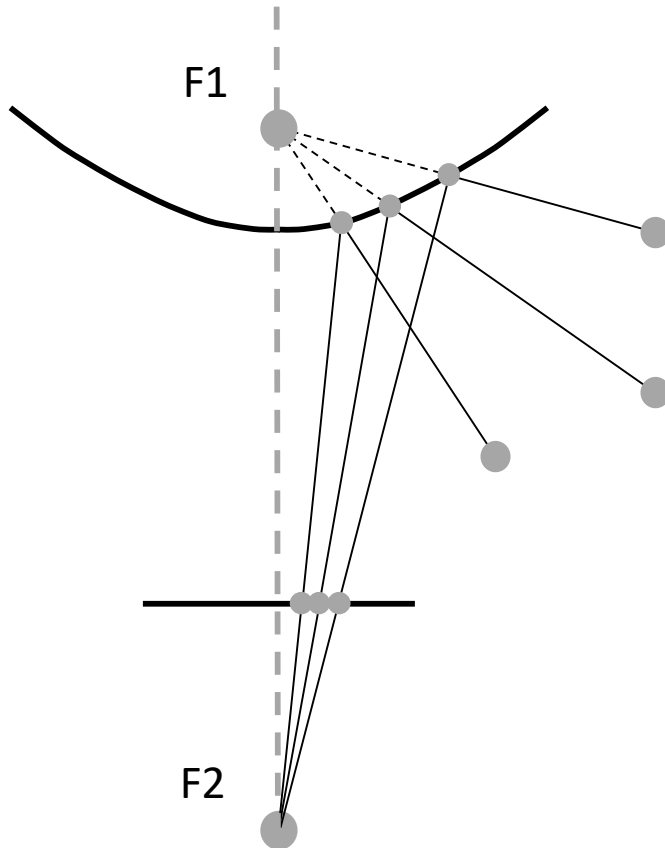
Central catadioptric cameras

- mirror (**surface of revolution of a conic**)
- camera
- single effective viewpoint



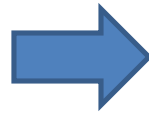
Catadioptric cameras

- hyperbola + perspective camera
- parabola + orthographic lens



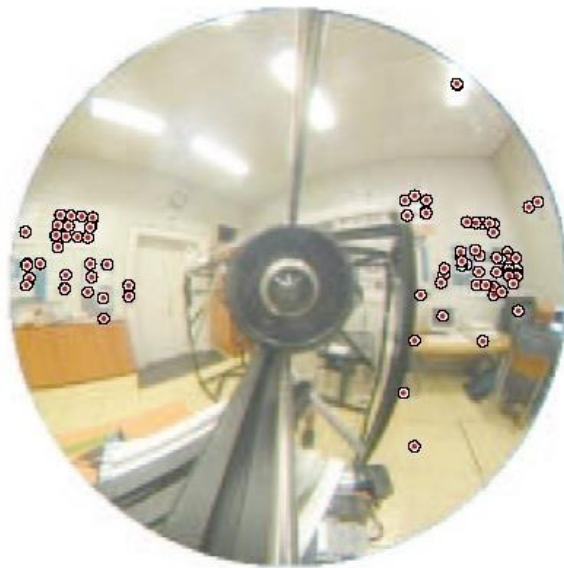
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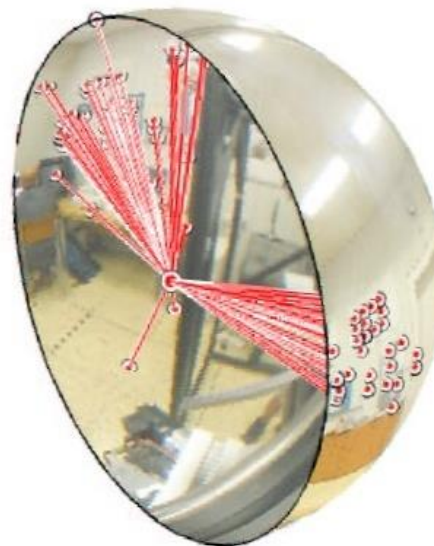


Why is it important that the camera be central (i.e., have a single effective viewpoint)?

- We can unwrap parts or all omnidirectional image into a perspective one
- We can transform image points into normalized vectors on the unit sphere
- We can apply standard algorithms valid for perspective geometry.



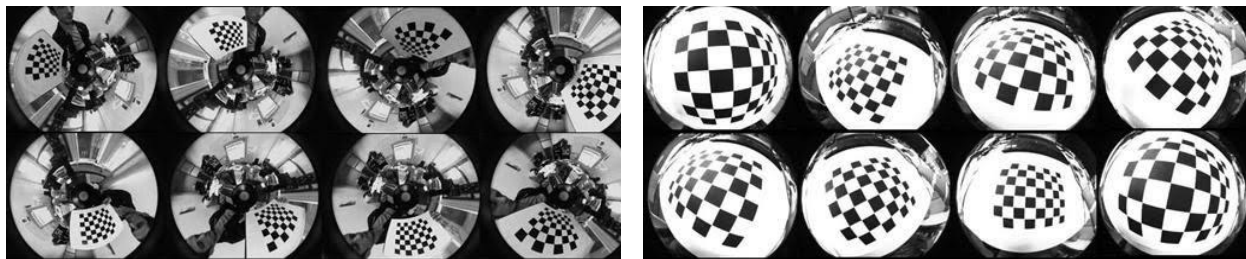
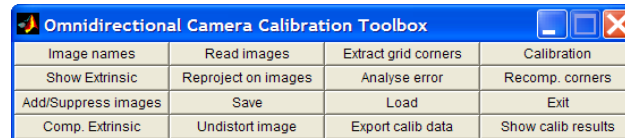
Points



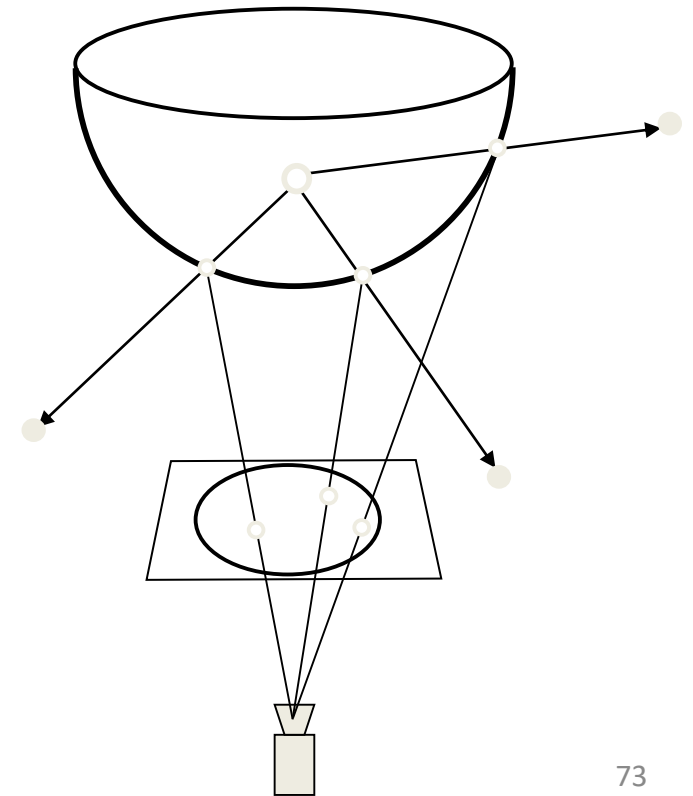
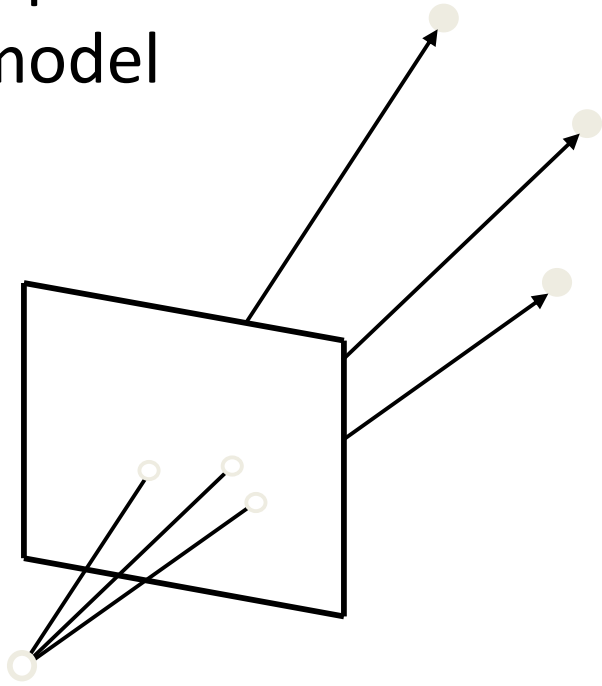
Rays

Omnidirectional camera calibration toolbox for Matlab (Scaramuzza, 2006)

- World's standard toolbox for calibrating omnidirectional cameras (used at NASA, Daimler, IDS, Volkswagen, Audi, BOSCH, VW, Volvo, ...)
- Main applications are in robotics, endoscopy, video-surveillance, sky observation, automotive (Audi, VW, Volvo, ...)
- Since 2015, incorporated in the Matlab Computer Vision Toolbox:
<https://ch.mathworks.com/help/vision/ug/fisheye-calibration-basics.html>
- Original url: <https://sites.google.com/site/scarabotix/ocamcalib-toolbox>

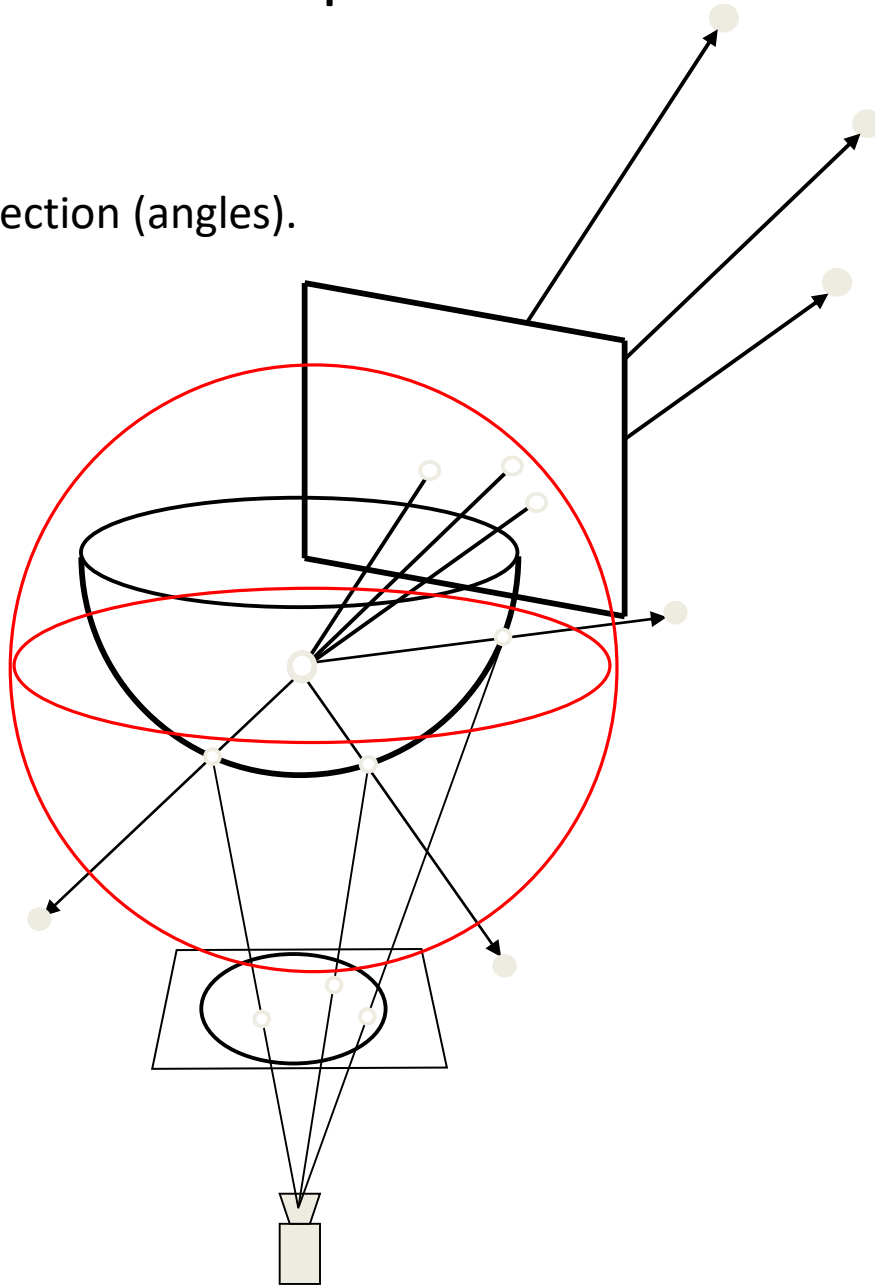


Equivalence between Perspective and Omnidirectional model



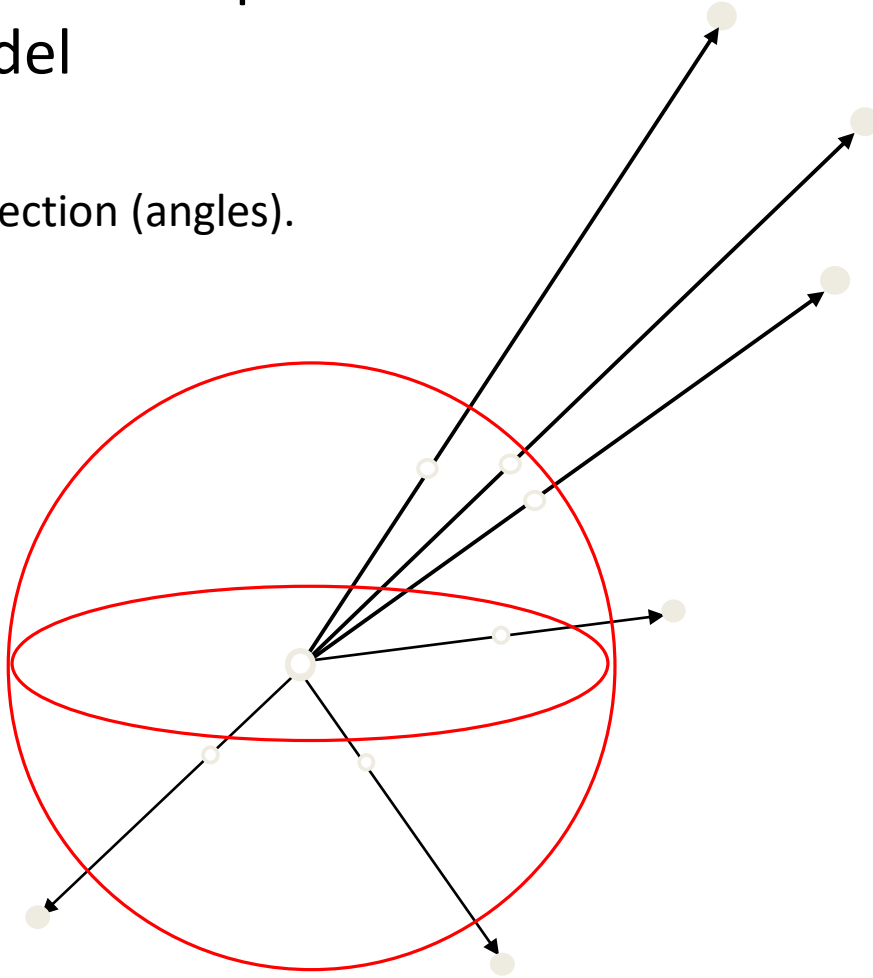
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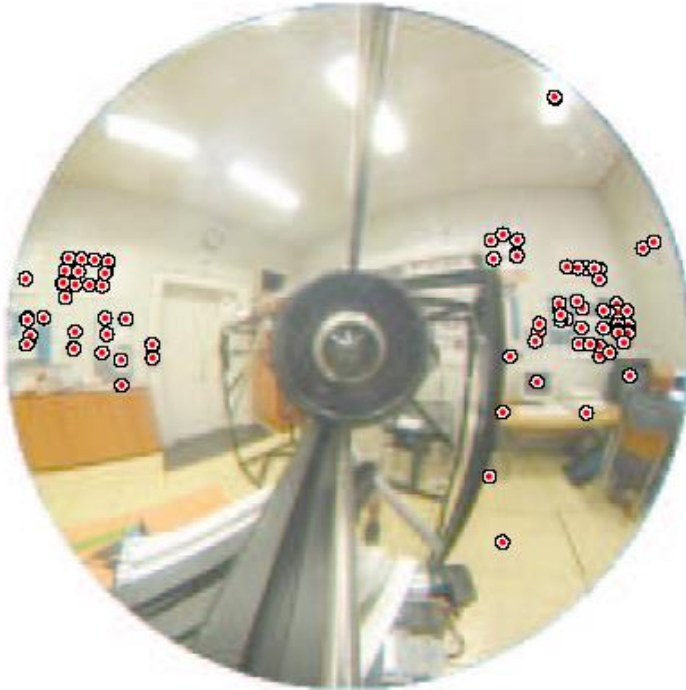
Equivalence between Perspective and Omnidirectional model: the Spherical Model

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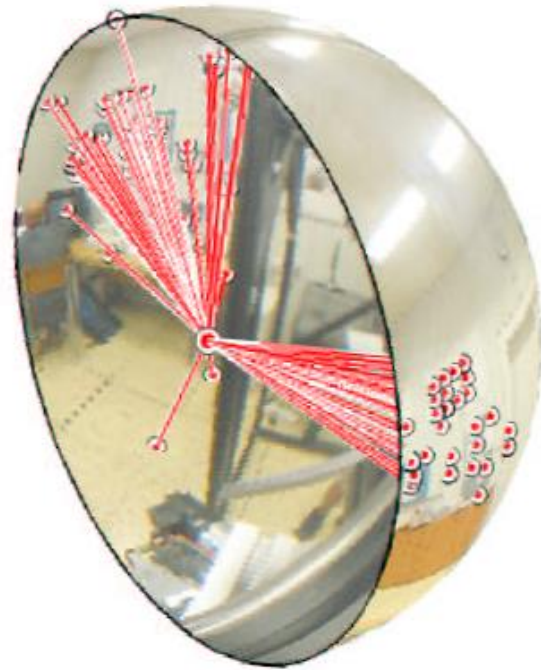


Representation of image points on the unit sphere

Always possible after the camera has been calibrated!



Points



Rays

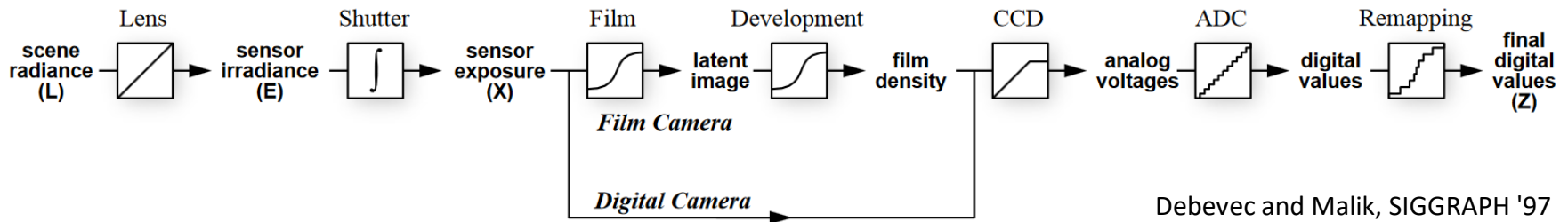
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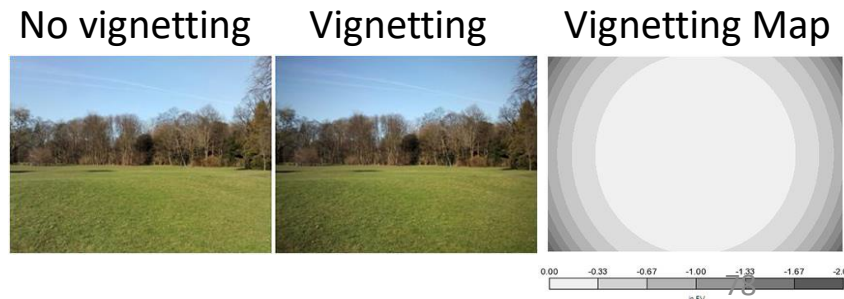
Photometric calibration

- **Goal:** Characterize how irradiance (light) is converted into pixel values.

Image acquisition pipeline

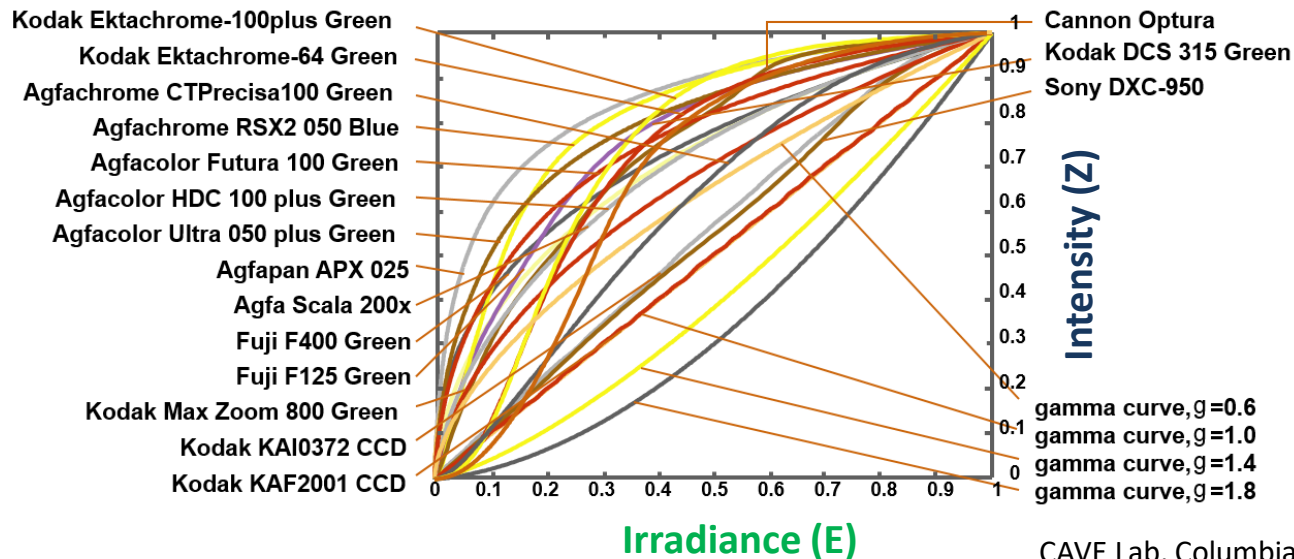
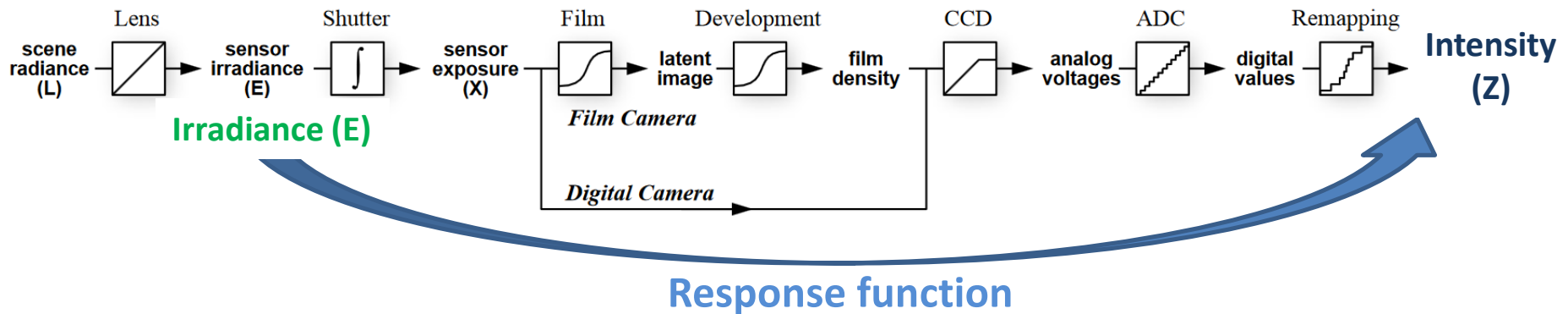


- Photometric calibration involves:
 - Radiometric response function
 - Vignetting
 - Point spread function



Radiometric Response Function

- Each camera has a different response function



Summary (things to remember)

- P3P and PnP problems
- DLT algorithm
- Calibration from planar grid (Homography algorithm)
- Readings: Chapter 2.1 of Szeliski book

- Omnidirectional cameras
 - Central and non central projection
 - Dioptric
 - Catadioptric (working principle of conic mirrors)
- Unified (spherical) model for perspective and omnidirectional cameras
- Reading: Chapter 4 of Autonomous Mobile Robots book

- Photometric calibration

Understanding Check

Are you able to:

- Describe the general PnP problem and derive the behavior of its solutions?
- Explain the working principle of the P3P algorithm?
- Explain and derive the DLT? What is the minimum number of point correspondences it requires?
- Define central and non central omnidirectional cameras?
- What kind of mirrors ensure central projection?
- What is photometric calibration?