

# **Photogrammetry & Robotics Lab**

## **Camera Calibration: Direct Linear Transform**

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# 3D Point to Pixel: Estimating the Parameters of P

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}$$

pixel  
coordinate      trans-  
formation      world  
coordinate

# Estimating Camera Parameters Given the Geometry

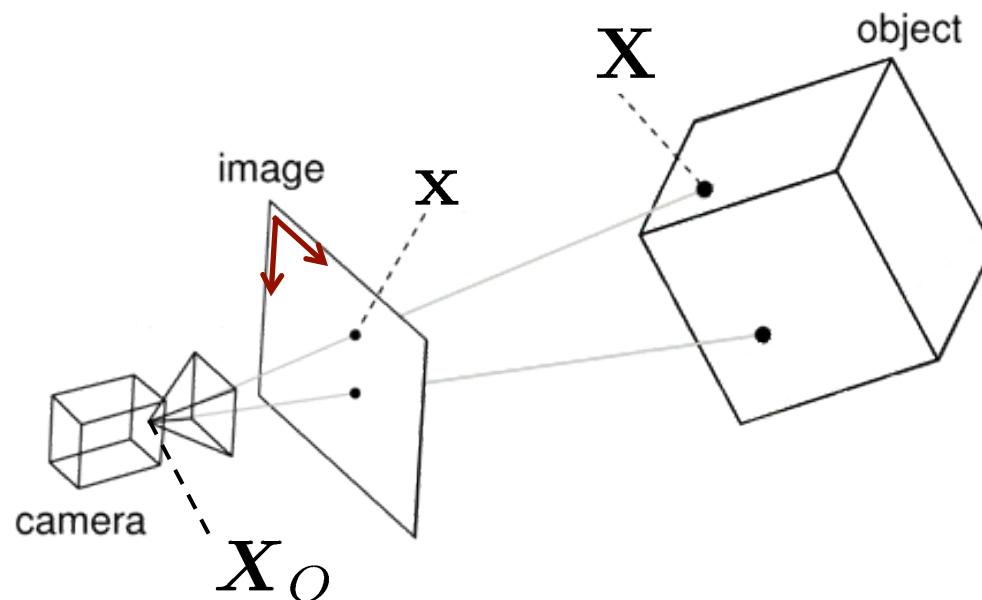


# Estimate Ex- and Intrinsic

- **Wanted:** Extrinsic and intrinsic parameters of a camera
- **Given:** Coordinates of object points (control points)
- **Observed:** Coordinates  $(x, y)$  of those known 3D object points in the image

# Mapping

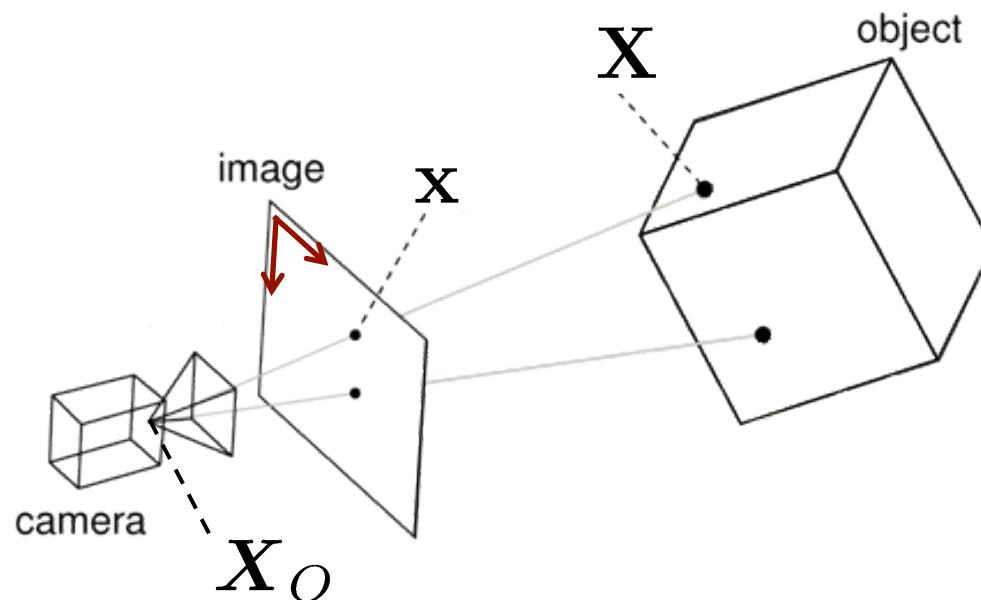
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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}_{3 \times 1} &= \underbrace{\mathbf{K}_{3 \times 3} \mathbf{R}_{3 \times 3} [\mathbf{I}_3 | -\mathbf{X}_O]_{3 \times 3}}_{3 \times 4} \mathbf{X}_{4 \times 1} \\ &= \mathbf{P}_{3 \times 4} \mathbf{X}_{4 \times 1}\end{aligned}$$

# Camera Parameters

$$\mathbf{x} = KR[I_3| - \mathbf{X}_O]\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X}$$

- **Intrinsics**
  - Camera-internal parameters
  - Given through  $K$
- **Extrinsics**
  - Pose parameters of the camera
  - Given through  $\mathbf{X}_O$  and  $R$
- Projection matrix  $\mathbf{P} = KR[I_3| - \mathbf{X}_O]$  contains both, the in- and extrinsics

# Direct Linear Transform (DLT)

Compute the **11 intrinsic and extrinsic parameters**

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

observed image point

$c, s, m, x_H, y_H$

3 rotations

3 translations

control point coordinates (given)

The diagram illustrates the Direct Linear Transform (DLT) equation:  $\mathbf{x} = K R [I_3] - \mathbf{X}_O \mathbf{X}$ . It features five annotations with arrows pointing to specific parts of the equation:

- An arrow points to the term  $\mathbf{x}$  with the label "observed image point".
- An arrow points to the terms  $c, s, m, x_H, y_H$  with the label "control point coordinates (given)".
- An arrow points to the term  $K R [I_3]$  with the label "3 rotations".
- An arrow points to the term  $\mathbf{X}_O \mathbf{X}$  with the label "3 translations".
- An arrow points to the entire right side of the equation with the label "control point coordinates (given)".

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$$\begin{bmatrix} u/w \\ v/w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = P \begin{bmatrix} U/T \\ V/T \\ W/T \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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# How Many Points Are Needed?

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = P \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Each point gives **two** observation equations, one for each image coordinate

$$x = \frac{p_{11}X + p_{12}Y + p_{13}Z + p_{14}}{p_{31}X + p_{32}Y + p_{33}Z + p_{34}}$$

$$y = \frac{p_{21}X + p_{22}Y + p_{23}Z + p_{24}}{p_{31}X + p_{32}Y + p_{33}Z + p_{34}}$$

# Spatial Resection vs. DLT

- **Calibrated camera**
  - 6 unknowns
  - We need **at least 3 points**
  - Problem solved by **spatial resection**
- **Uncalibrated camera**
  - 11 unknowns
  - We need **at least 6 points**
  - Assuming the model of an **affine camera**
  - Problem solved by **DLT**

# **DLT: Direct Linear Transform**

**Computing the Orientation  
of an Uncalibrated Camera  
Using  $\geq 6$  Known Points**

# DLT: Problem Specification

- Task: Estimate the 11 elements of  $P$
- Given:
  - 3D coordinates  $\mathbf{X}_i$  of  $I \geq 6$  object points
  - Observed image coordinates  $\mathbf{x}_i$  of an uncalibrated camera with the mapping

$$\mathbf{x}_i = P \mathbf{X}_i \quad i = 1, \dots, I$$

- Data association

# Rearrange the DLT Equation

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \underset{3 \times 4}{\mathsf{P}} \mathbf{X}_i = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} & p_{13} & p_{14} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} & p_{23} & p_{24} \\ p_{31} & p_{32} & p_{33} & p_{34} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_i$$

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Define the tree vectors A, B, C as follows

$$\boxed{\mathbf{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} \\ p_{12} \\ p_{13} \\ p_{14} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} p_{21} \\ p_{22} \\ p_{23} \\ p_{24} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} p_{31} \\ p_{32} \\ p_{33} \\ p_{34} \end{bmatrix}$$

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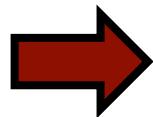
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# Rearrange the DLT Equation

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_i \\ v_i \\ w_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{X}_i \\ \mathbf{B}^\top \mathbf{X}_i \\ \mathbf{C}^\top \mathbf{X}_i \end{bmatrix}$$



$$x_i = \frac{u_i}{w_i} = \frac{\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{X}_i}{\mathbf{C}^\top \mathbf{X}_i} \quad y_i = \frac{v_i}{w_i} = \frac{\mathbf{B}^\top \mathbf{X}_i}{\mathbf{C}^\top \mathbf{X}_i}$$

# Rearrange the DLT Equation

$$x_i = \frac{\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{X}_i}{\mathbf{C}^\top \mathbf{X}_i} \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_i \mathbf{C}^\top \mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{X}_i = 0$$

$$y_i = \frac{\mathbf{B}^\top \mathbf{X}_i}{\mathbf{C}^\top \mathbf{X}_i} \quad \Rightarrow \quad y_i \mathbf{C}^\top \mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{B}^\top \mathbf{X}_i = 0$$

Leads to a system of equations, which is  
**linear in the parameters A, B and C**

$$\begin{array}{ll} -\mathbf{X}_i^\top \mathbf{A} & + x_i \mathbf{X}_i^\top \mathbf{C} = 0 \\ -\mathbf{X}_i^\top \mathbf{B} & + y_i \mathbf{X}_i^\top \mathbf{C} = 0 \end{array}$$

# Estimating the Elements of P

- Collect the elements of P within a parameter vector  $p$

$$p = (p_k) = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \\ C \end{bmatrix} = \text{vec}(P^T)$$

rows of P as  
column-vectors,  
one below the  
other (12x1)

# Estimating the Elements of P

- Rewrite  $-X_i^T A + x_i X_i^T C = 0$   
 $-X_i^T B + y_i X_i^T C = 0$
- as  $a_{x_i}^T p = 0$   
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- as 
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}_{x_i}^\top \mathbf{p} &= 0 \\ \mathbf{a}_{y_i}^\top \mathbf{p} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$
- with

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p} &= (p_k) = \text{vec}(\mathbf{P}^\top) \\ \mathbf{a}_{x_i}^\top &= (-\mathbf{X}_i^\top, \mathbf{0}^\top, x_i \mathbf{X}_i^\top) \\ &= (-X_i, -Y_i, -Z_i, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, x_i X_i, x_i Y_i, x_i Z_i, x_i) \\ \mathbf{a}_{y_i}^\top &= (\mathbf{0}^\top, -\mathbf{X}_i^\top, y_i \mathbf{X}_i^\top) \\ &= (0, 0, 0, 0, -X_i, -Y_i, -Z_i, -1, y_i X_i, y_i Y_i, y_i Z_i, y_i) \end{aligned}$$

# Verifying Correctness

$$\mathbf{a}_{x_i}^\top \mathbf{p} = (-X_i, -Y_i, -Z_i, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, x_i X_i, x_i Y_i, x_i Z_i, x_i)$$

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$$= \left( \begin{array}{cccccc} & -\mathbf{X}_i^\top, & & \mathbf{0}, & & x_i \mathbf{X}_i^\top \end{array} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= -\mathbf{X}_i^\top \mathbf{A} + x_i \mathbf{X}_i^\top \mathbf{C}$$



# Verifying Correctness

$$\mathbf{a}_{y_i}^\top \mathbf{p} = (0, 0, 0, 0, -X_i, -Y_i, -Z_i, -1, y_i X_i, y_i Y_i, y_i Z_i, y_i)$$

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$$= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0}, & -\mathbf{X}_i^\top, & y_i \mathbf{X}_i^\top \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= -\mathbf{X}_i^\top \mathbf{B} + y_i \mathbf{X}_i^\top \mathbf{C}$$



# Estimating the Elements of P

- For each point, we have

$$a_{x_i}^\top p = 0$$

$$a_{y_i}^\top p = 0$$

- Stacking everything together

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{x_1}^\top \\ a_{y_1}^\top \\ \dots \\ a_{x_i}^\top \\ a_{y_i}^\top \\ \dots \\ a_{x_I}^\top \\ a_{y_I}^\top \end{bmatrix} p = \underset{2I \times 12}{M} \underset{12 \times 1}{p} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

## Solving the Linear System (Homogeneous System => SVD)

- Solving a system of linear equations of the form  $A x = 0$  is equivalent to finding the null space of A
- Thus, we can apply the SVD to solve  $M p \stackrel{!}{=} 0$
- Choose  $p$  as the singular vector belonging to the singular value of 0

# Redundant Observations

- In case of redundant observations, we will have contradictions ( $\mathbf{M}p \neq \mathbf{0}$ ):

$$\mathbf{M} p = \mathbf{w}$$

- Find  $p$  such that it minimizes

$$\Omega = \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{w}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{p}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{p}} \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{w}$$

$$= \arg \min_{\mathbf{p}} \mathbf{p}^\top \mathbf{M}^\top \mathbf{M} \mathbf{p}$$

with  $\|P\|_2 = \sum_{ij} p_{ij}^2 = \|p\| = 1$

# Redundant Observations

- Singular value decomposition (SVD)

$$\underset{2I \times 12}{M} = \underset{2I \times 12}{U} \underset{12 \times 12}{S} \underset{12 \times 12}{V^T} = \sum_{i=1}^{12} s_i \underset{12 \times 1}{u_i} \underset{1 \times 12}{v_i^T}$$

- Choosing  $p = v_{12}$  (the singular vector belonging to the smallest singular value  $s_{12}$ ) minimizes  $\Omega$

# Obtaining the Projection Matrix

- Choosing  $p = v_{12}$  minimizes  $\Omega$  and thus is our estimate of  $P$ :

$$p = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} \\ \vdots \\ p_{34} \end{bmatrix} \quad \rightarrow \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} & p_{13} & p_{14} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} & p_{23} & p_{24} \\ p_{31} & p_{32} & p_{33} & p_{34} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Does this always work?**

# Critical Surfaces

- $M$  is of rank 11, if
  - Number of points  $\geq 6$
  - Assumption: no gross errors
- **No solution**, if all points  $X_i$  are located on a **plane**

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \begin{bmatrix} \dots \\ a_{x_i}^T \\ a_{y_i}^T \\ \dots \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -X_i & -Y_i & -Z_i & -1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & x_i X_i & x_i Y_i & x_i Z_i & x_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -X_i & -Y_i & -Z_i & -1 & -1 & y_i X_i & y_i Y_i & y_i Z_i & y_i \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

e.g., assume all  $Z_i = 0$

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**rank deficiency**

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  - (All points  $X_i$  and the projection center  $X_o$  are located on a twisted cubic curve)

# **From P to K, R, X<sub>O</sub>**

# Decomposition of $\mathbf{P}$

- We have  $\mathbf{P}$ , how to obtain  $\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{X}_O$ ?
- Structure of the projection matrix

$$\mathbf{P} = [\mathbf{K}\mathbf{R} | -\mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}\mathbf{X}_O] = [\mathbf{H} | \mathbf{h}]$$

- with

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{h} = -\mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}\mathbf{X}_O$$

## Decomposition of $\mathbf{P}$

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## Rotation matrix:

- Let's look to the structure  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}$
- What do we know about the matrices?

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- $\mathbf{R}$  is a rotation matrix

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## QR-decomposition

# Decomposition of $\mathbf{P}$

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{h} = -\mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}\mathbf{X}_O$$

- We perform this for  $\mathbf{H}^{-1}$  given the order of rotation and triangular matrix
- QR decomposition of  $\mathbf{H}^{-1}$  yields rotation and calibration matrix

$$\mathbf{H}^{-1} = (\mathbf{K} \ \mathbf{R})^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^{-1} \ \mathbf{K}^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^T \ \mathbf{K}^{-1}$$

↑      ↑  
Q      R

## Decomposition of $\mathbf{P}$

- The matrix  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}$  is homogenous
- Thus, is the calibration matrix
- Due to homogeneity normalize

$$\mathbf{K} \leftarrow \frac{1}{\mathbf{K}_{33}} \mathbf{K}$$

# Decomposition of $\mathbf{P}$

- Decomposition  $\mathbf{H}^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{K}^{-1}$  results in  $\mathbf{K}$  with **positive** diagonal elements
- To get **negative camera constant**, choose

$$\mathbf{K} \leftarrow \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}(z, \pi) \quad \mathbf{R} \leftarrow \mathbf{R}(z, \pi)\mathbf{R}$$

using

$$\mathbf{R}(z, \pi) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

decomposition still holds  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}(z, \pi) \mathbf{R}(z, \pi)\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}$

# DLT in a Nutshell

1. Build the M for the linear system

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} a_{x_1}^\top \\ a_{y_1}^\top \\ \vdots \\ a_{x_I}^\top \\ a_{y_I}^\top \end{bmatrix} \quad M \ p \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

2Ix12      12x1

with

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## DLT in a Nutshell

2. Solve by SVD  $M = U S V^T$   
Solution is last column of  $V$

$$p = v_{12} \Rightarrow P = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 & p_2 & p_3 & p_4 \\ p_5 & p_6 & p_7 & p_8 \\ p_9 & p_{10} & p_{11} & p_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

## DLT in a Nutshell

3. If individual parameters are needed

$$P = KR [I_3] - X_O = [H|h]$$

$$X_O = -H^{-1} h$$

$$QR(H^{-1}) = R^T K^{-1}$$

$$R \leftarrow R(z, \pi)R$$

$$K \leftarrow \frac{1}{K_{33}} KR(z, \pi)$$

## Discussion DLT

- We realize  $P \leftrightarrow (K, R, X_O)$  both ways
- We are free to choose sign of  $c$
- Solution is instable if the control points lie approximately on a plane
- Solution is statistically not optimal (no uncertainties of point coordinates)

# Summary

- Direct linear transforms estimates the intrinsic and extrinsic of a camera
- Computes the parameters for the mapping of the uncalibrated camera
- Requires at least 6 known control points in 3D
- Direct solution (no initial guess)

# Literature

- Förstner & Wrobel, Photogrammetric Computer Vision, Chapter 11.2
- Förstner, Scriptum Photogrammetrie I, Chapter 13.3

# Slide Information

- The slides have been created by Cyrill Stachniss as part of the photogrammetry and robotics courses.
- **I tried to acknowledge all people from whom I used images or videos. In case I made a mistake or missed someone, please let me know.**
- The photogrammetry material heavily relies on the very well written lecture notes by Wolfgang Förstner and the Photogrammetric Computer Vision book by Förstner & Wrobel.
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