

# Analytical 3d - Introduction

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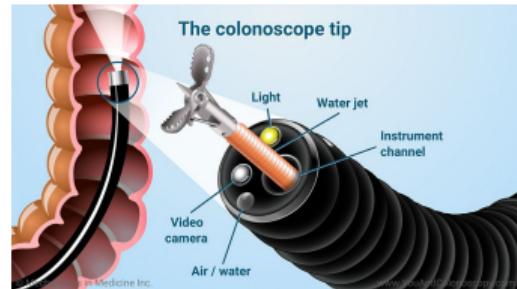
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# Motivations: 3d Reconstruction from Videos

Reconstructing the scene geometry from videos is useful in many applications: Robot navigation (obstacle detection), Metrology, 3d Cartography, Medicine...



- + It is a cheap and flexible approach: One single passive camera, Adaptive baseline,...
- It strongly relies on scene structure (texture) and precise camera positioning.

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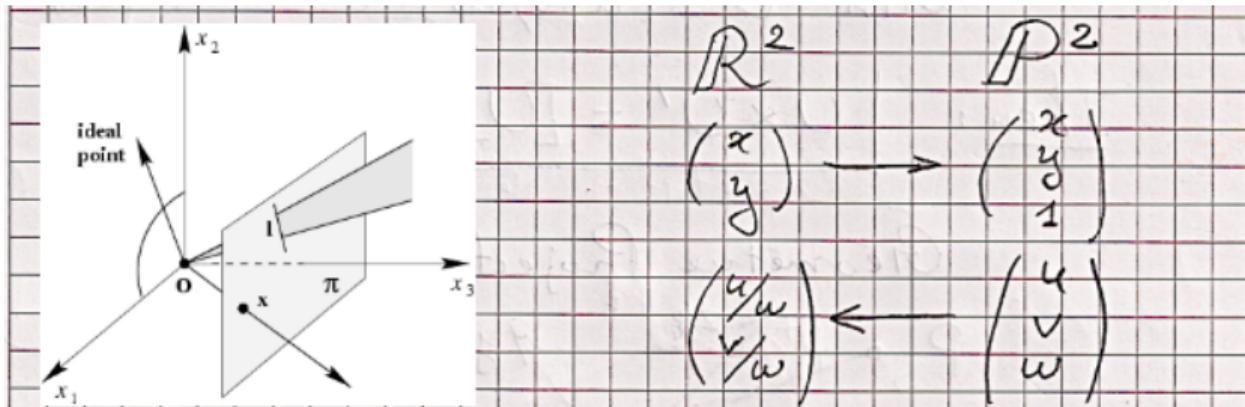
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# Projective Geometry in $\mathbb{P}^2$

- Homogeneous coordinates → additional component → non injective representation
- Affine transformations represented by linear functions → simpler operations
- Points and lines at infinity represented with finite coordinates

# Projective Geometry in $\mathbb{P}^2$

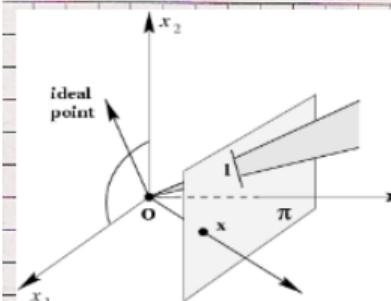


$\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} u/w \\ v/w \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix}$$

- Equivalence Classes:  $\forall \lambda \neq 0 \quad \lambda x \equiv x$
- Duality point / line:  
 $m = (x, y, 1)^t \quad l = (a, b, c)^t$
- Ideal points:  $(x, y, 0)^t$
- Line at infinity:  $(0, 0, 1)^t$

# Projective Geometry in $\mathbb{P}^2$



Point  $m$  belongs to line  $l$ .



$$[m \cdot l = 0]$$

Point  $m$  is at the intersection of lines  $l$  and  $l'$ :

$$[l \times l' = m]$$

Line  $l$  passes through points  $m$  and  $m'$ :

$$[m \times m' = l]$$

Notation:

pre-vector product:  $[U]_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -w & v \\ w & 0 & -u \\ -v & u & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\text{with } U = (u, v, w)^t$$

Then,

$$[U \times U' = [U]_x U']$$

# Projective transformations

- A projective transformation  $h$  of the plane is characterized by the fact that: if three points  $m_1, m_2$  and  $m_3$  are aligned,  $h(m_1), h(m_2)$  and  $h(m_3)$  are aligned too.
- A function  $h : \mathbb{P}^2 \mapsto \mathbb{P}^2$  is a projective transformation if and only if there exists a non singular  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $H$  such that  $\forall m \in \mathbb{P}^2, h(m) = Hm$ .

# Projective transformations 1: Translations

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- with  $\mathbf{t} = (t_x \ t_y)^T$  translation vector
- 2 degrees of freedom

## Projective transformations 2: Isometries

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\varepsilon \sin(\theta) & t_x \\ \sin(\theta) & \varepsilon \cos(\theta) & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- with  $\mathbf{t} = (t_x \ t_y)^T$  translation vector
- $\theta$  rotation angle
- $\varepsilon = \pm 1 \rightarrow$  direct / indirect isometry
- 3 degrees of freedom
- *preserves:* angles, lengths, areas

## Projective transformations 3: Similarities

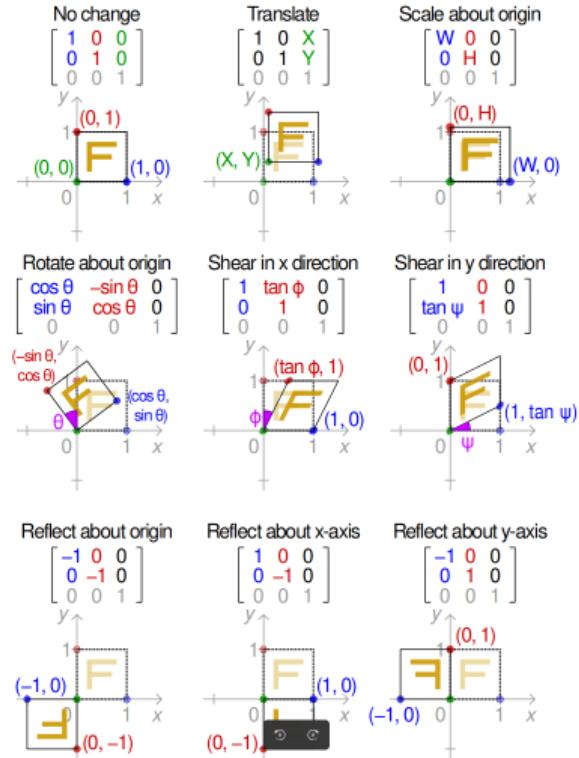
$$H = \begin{pmatrix} s \cos(\theta) & -s \sin(\theta) & t_x \\ s \sin(\theta) & s \cos(\theta) & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- with  $\mathbf{t} = (t_x \ t_y)^T$  translation vector
- $\theta$  rotation angle
- $s$  homothety factor
- 4 degrees of freedom
- *preserves:* angles, ratios of lengths/areas, parallel lines

# Projective transformations 4: Affine transformations

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^1 & a_1^2 & t_x \\ a_2^1 & a_2^2 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- 6 degrees of freedom
  - preserves: ratios of areas, parallel lines
- (Figure from Wikipedia)



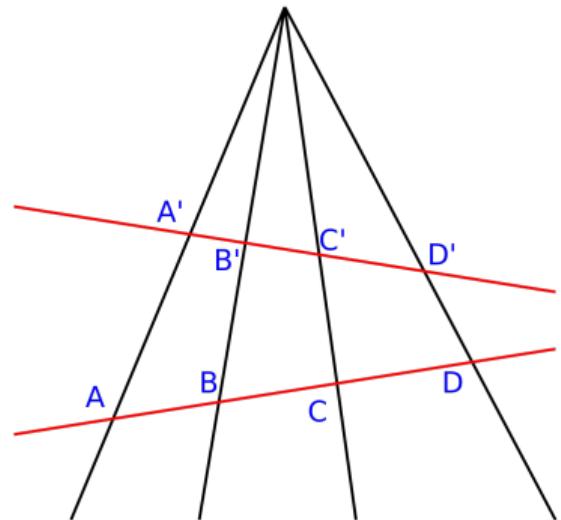
## Projective transformations 5: Homographies

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^1 & a_1^2 & t_x \\ a_2^1 & a_2^2 & t_y \\ v_1 & v_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\mathbf{v} = (v_1 \ v_2)^T$  relates to the action on points/lines at infinity
- 8 degrees of freedom
- preserves: cross-ratios of four points on a line:

$$\frac{AC \times BD}{BD \times AC} = \frac{A'C' \times B'D'}{B'D' \times A'C'}$$

(Figure from Wikipedia)



## Homographies on points/lines at infinity

Consider a line at infinity  $\mathbf{l}_\infty = (l_1 \ l_2 \ 0)^T$

When applied an affine transformation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1^1 & a_1^2 & t_x \\ a_2^1 & a_2^2 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} l_1 \\ l_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} l_1 a_1^1 + l_2 a_1^2 \\ l_1 a_2^1 + l_2 a_2^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

A line at infinity remains at infinity!

When applied a general homography:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1^1 & a_1^2 & t_x \\ a_2^1 & a_2^2 & t_y \\ v_1 & v_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} l_1 \\ l_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} l_1 a_1^1 + l_2 a_1^2 \\ l_1 a_2^1 + l_2 a_2^2 \\ l_1 v_1 + l_2 v_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

A line at infinity becomes finite!

This allows to observe vanishing points and horizon lines.

# Projective Geometry in $\mathbb{P}^3$

- $\mathbb{R}^3 \leftrightarrow \mathbb{P}^3: (X, Y, Z) \rightarrow (X, Y, Z, 1); (u/h, v/h, w/h) \leftarrow (u, v, w, h)$
- Duality point / plane:  $M = (X, Y, Z, 1)^t / \Pi = (a, b, c, d)$ .
- Lines are defined from 2 points or from 2 planes!

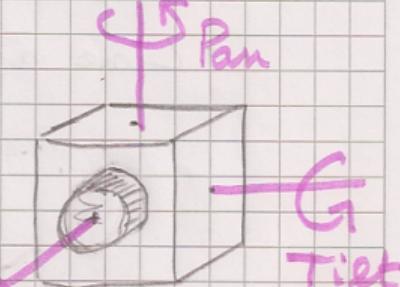
$\mathbb{P}^3$  allows to express  
linearly affine  
transformations:

For a 6-deg.  
of freedom  
solid:  $M' = \begin{pmatrix} \text{Rot} & \text{Tr} \\ \begin{matrix} 3 \times 1 \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 3 \times 3 \\ \hline 1 \times 3 \end{matrix} \end{pmatrix} M$

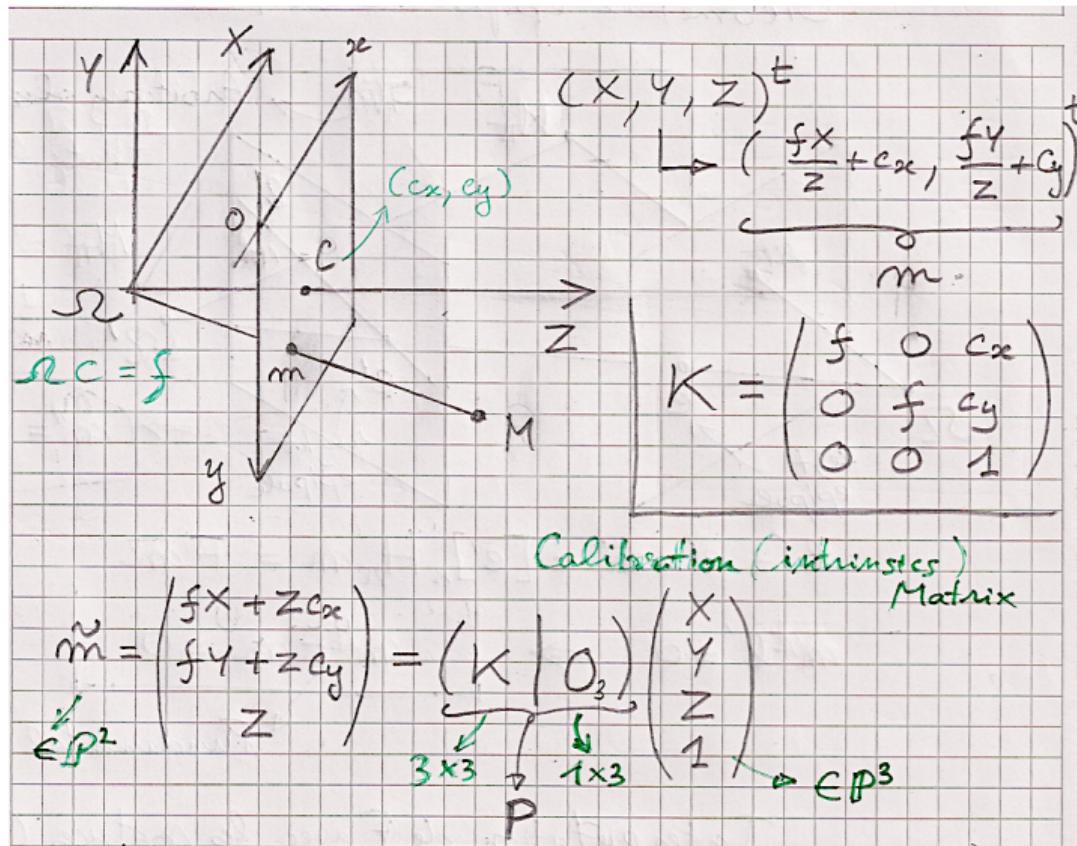
$\text{Rot} = R_\theta^z R_\beta^y R_\alpha^x$

$\text{Roll}$        $\text{Pan}$        $\text{Tilt}$

$\text{tr} = (t_x, t_y, t_z)^t$



# Camera (Calibration) Matrix: Intrinsics



# Projection and Back-Projection Matrices

$$M = (X, Y, Z)^t \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$m = (x, y)^t \in \mathbb{R}^2, \text{ and } \tilde{m} = (x, y, 1)^t \in \mathbb{P}^2$$

## Camera (Projection) Matrix

$$m = \pi(M) = \left( f \frac{X}{Z} + c_x, f \frac{Y}{Z} + c_y \right)$$

Equivalent to:

$$\tilde{m} = KM$$

with:  $K = \begin{pmatrix} f & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & f & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

## Back-Projection Matrix

$$M = \pi^{-1}(m, Z) = \left( Z \frac{x - c_x}{f}, Z \frac{y - c_y}{f}, Z \right)$$

Equivalent to:

$$M = \underbrace{Z}_{\text{Depth}} \underbrace{K^{-1}\tilde{m}}_{\text{Direction}}$$

with:  $K^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{f} & 0 & -\frac{c_x}{f} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{f} & -\frac{c_y}{f} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

# Displacement Matrix: Extrinsic

$$\tilde{m}' = (K | O_3) \left( \begin{array}{c|c} R & -Rt \\ \hline O_3^T & 1 \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{c} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$P'$

$m = PM$

$m' = P'M$

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# Homographies

- **Homography** → Most general case of 2d projective transformation

$$\tilde{m}' = H\tilde{m}$$

- 8 degrees of freedom → At least four non colinear 2d points!
- Corresponds to 2 particular cases of image pairs:
  - ▶ 3d scene viewed under pure rotation around the optical centre ( $\mathbf{t} = O_3$ ).
  - ▶ Same plane viewed under two different 3d poses.

## Rotation around the optical centre

In the case of a pure rotation around the optical centre ( $t = O_3$ ), the projected image transformation is a homography:

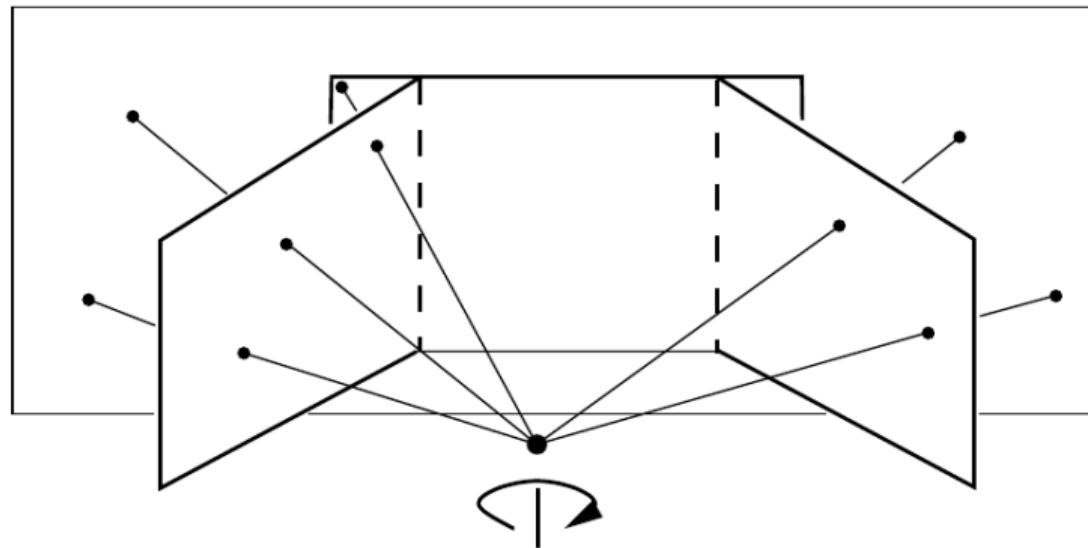


Figure from [Hartley and Zisserman 2004]

## Rotation around the optical centre

Since  $\mathbf{t} = O_3$  we get:

$$\tilde{m} = ( \begin{array}{c|c} K & O_3 \end{array} ) \tilde{M}$$

$$\tilde{m}' = ( \begin{array}{c|c} K & O_3 \end{array} ) \left( \begin{array}{c|c} R & O_3 \\ O_3^t & 1 \end{array} \right) \tilde{M}$$

which can be written more simply:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{m} &= KM \\ \tilde{m}' &= KRM = \underbrace{KRK^{-1}}_H \tilde{m}\end{aligned}$$

# Rotation around the optical centre

Note the difference between rotation around the optical centre ((a) to (b)), and translation ((a) to (c)):



a



b

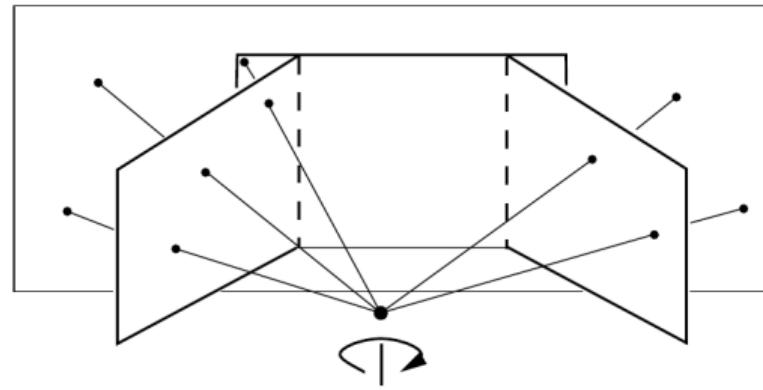


c

Images from [Hartley and Zisserman 2004]

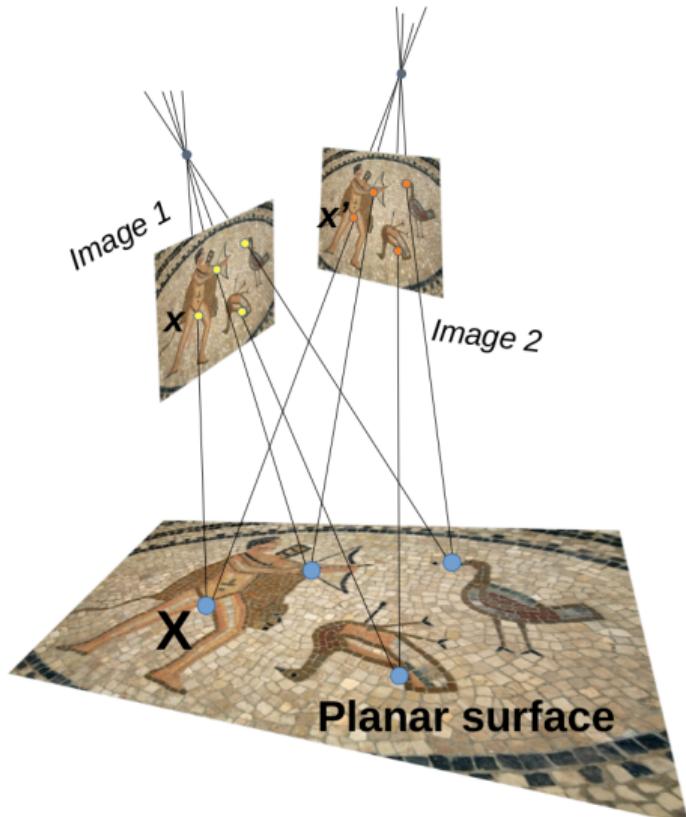
# Rotation around the optical centre

Since there is no parallax, the images can be stitched to form a mosaic:



# Plane viewed from different poses

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{x} &= H_{\pi,1} X \\ \tilde{x}' &= H_{\pi,2} X \\ \tilde{x}' &= H_{\pi,2} H_{\pi,1}^{-1} \tilde{x} = H_{\pi} \tilde{x}\end{aligned}$$



## Plane viewed from different poses

Let us first assume that  $K = I_3$  (i.e.  $f = 1, c_x = c_y = 0$ ). Then if the pose of the right camera is given by rotation matrix  $R$  and translation vector  $\mathbf{t}$ , we get:

$$\tilde{m} = P\tilde{M} = \begin{pmatrix} I_3 & O_3 \end{pmatrix} \tilde{M}$$

$$\tilde{m}' = P'\tilde{M} = \begin{pmatrix} R & \mathbf{t} \end{pmatrix} \tilde{M}$$

Every point on the ray  $M_z = (m^t, z)$  (parameterized by  $z$ ) projects on  $m$ .

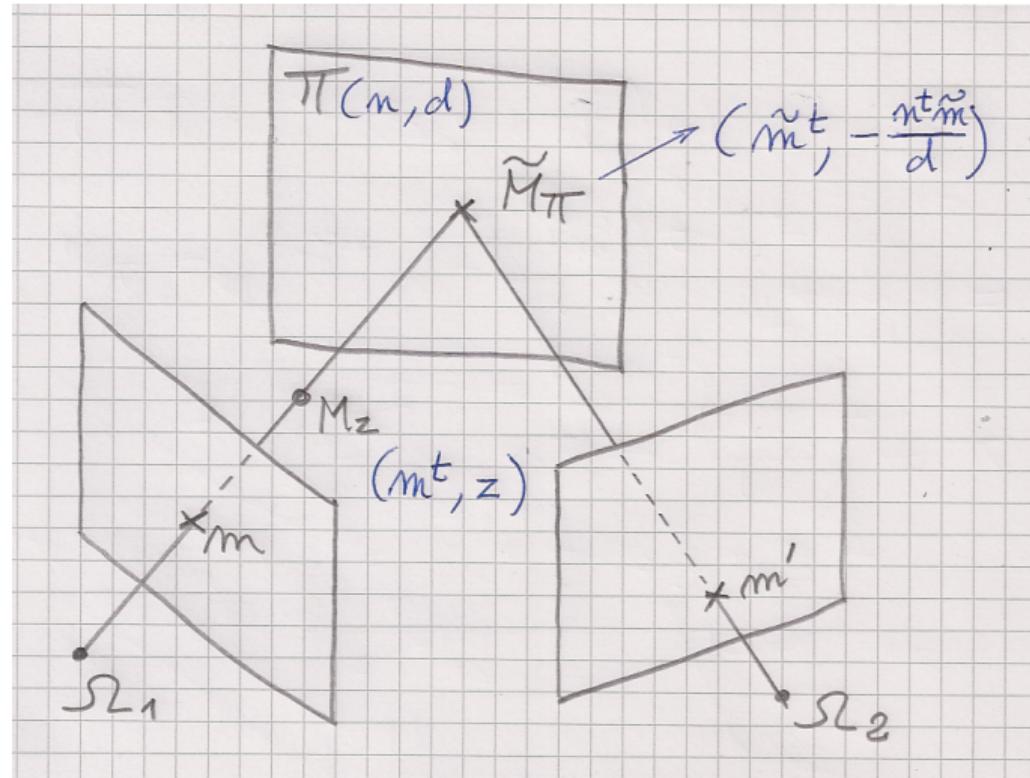
If the point  $M_z$  is on the plane  $\pi$ , it must satisfy:  $\pi^t \cdot \tilde{M}_z = 0$ .

If the coordinates of the plane are given as  $\pi = (\mathbf{n}^t, d)^t$ , so that for points  $M$  on the plane, we have:  $\mathbf{n}^t M + d = 0$ ,

then the point of the ray backprojected from  $m$  and intersecting plane  $\pi$  is:

$$\tilde{M}_\pi = \left( \tilde{m}^t, -\frac{\mathbf{n}^t \tilde{m}}{d} \right)^t$$

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And then:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{m}' &= P' \tilde{M}_\pi = (R \mid \mathbf{t}) \tilde{M}_\pi \\ &= R \tilde{m} - \frac{\mathbf{t} \mathbf{n}^t}{d} \tilde{m} \\ &= \underbrace{\left( R - \frac{\mathbf{t} \mathbf{n}^t}{d} \right)}_{H_\pi} \tilde{m}\end{aligned}$$

Finally, by considering the internal parameter matrix  $K$  of a single camera moved with rotation  $R$  and translation  $\mathbf{t}$ , the homography related to the plane  $\pi = (\mathbf{n}^t, d)^t$  is given by:

$$H = K \left( R - \frac{\mathbf{t} \mathbf{n}^t}{d} \right) K^{-1}$$

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## Estimation of a Homography

Now we wish to estimate the parameters of a homography using a set of correspondances from a pair of images:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^1 & a_1^2 & t_x \\ a_2^1 & a_2^2 & t_y \\ v_1 & v_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- In the following practical session we will use the Direct Linear Transform (DLT) resolved by Singular Value Decomposition (SVD).
- The next slides are adapted from **Gianni Franchi's** 2022 course.

# Estimation by Direct Linear Transformation (DLT)

Let us rearrange the equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

we use auxiliary  $1 \times 3$  vectors  $\mathbf{h}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{h}_2$  and  $\mathbf{h}_3$ :

$$\mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1 \\ \mathbf{h}_2 \\ \mathbf{h}_3 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u' \\ v' \\ w' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1 \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{h}_2 \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{h}_3 \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u' \\ v' \\ w' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1 \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{h}_2 \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{h}_3 \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x' = \frac{u'}{w'} = \frac{\mathbf{h}_1 \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{h}_3 \mathbf{x}}$$

$$y' = \frac{v'}{w'} = \frac{\mathbf{h}_2 \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{h}_3 \mathbf{x}}$$

# Estimation by Direct Linear Transformation (DLT)

We can rewrite the equations:

$$\begin{cases} -\mathbf{h}_1 \mathbf{x} + x' \mathbf{h}_3 \mathbf{x} = 0 \\ -\mathbf{h}_2 \mathbf{x} + y' \mathbf{h}_3 \mathbf{x} = 0 \end{cases}$$

we want to estimate  $\mathbf{h}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{h}_2$  and  $\mathbf{h}_3$

## Estimation by Direct Linear Transformation (DLT)

Let us write  $\mathbf{h} = [\mathbf{h}_1 \quad \mathbf{h}_2 \quad \mathbf{h}_3]^t$ .  $\mathbf{h}$  is a vector of size  $9 \times 1$ .

We can rewrite the previous system with  $\mathbf{h}$ , as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{a}_x^t \mathbf{h} = 0 \\ \mathbf{a}_y^t \mathbf{h} = 0 \end{cases}$$

with

$$\mathbf{a}_x^t = [-\mathbf{x}^t \quad \mathbf{0}_3^t \quad \mathbf{x}'\mathbf{x}^t]$$

$$\mathbf{a}_x^t = [-x \quad -y \quad -1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad x'x \quad x'y \quad x']$$

$$\mathbf{a}_y^t = [\mathbf{0}_3^t \quad -\mathbf{x}^t \quad \mathbf{y}'\mathbf{x}^t]$$

$$\mathbf{a}_y^t = [0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad -x \quad -y \quad -1 \quad y'x \quad y'y \quad y']$$

## Estimation by Direct Linear Transformation (DLT)

Now let us consider that we have multiple pairs of points indexed by  $i$ :

$$\mathbf{a}_{x_i}^t = [-\mathbf{x}_i^t \quad \mathbf{0}^t \quad \mathbf{x}'_i \mathbf{x}_i^t]$$

$$\mathbf{a}_{y_i}^t = [\mathbf{0}^t \quad -\mathbf{x}_i^t \quad \mathbf{y}'_i \mathbf{x}_i^t]$$

We can rewrite the previous system for the  $N$  pairs of points:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{a}_{x_1}^t \mathbf{h} = 0 \\ \mathbf{a}_{y_1}^t \mathbf{h} = 0 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}_{x_N}^t \mathbf{h} = 0 \\ \mathbf{a}_{y_N}^t \mathbf{h} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Collecting everything together we have:

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{2N \times 9} \underbrace{\mathbf{h}}_{9 \times 1} = \underbrace{\mathbf{0}}_{9 \times 1}$$

# Estimation by Direct Linear Transformation (DLT)

- if we use  $N = 4$  then we have an exact solution
- if we use  $N > 4$  then we have an **over-determined solution**. There are no exact solution, hence we need to find approximate solution.
- Additional constraint is needed to avoid 0, e.g.  $\|\mathbf{h}\|_2^2 = 1$

## Estimation of $\mathbf{h}$ : Minimisation

In the case of redundant observations we get inconsistencies (due to the noise).

Let us write  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{w}$ .

Our goal is to find  $\mathbf{h}$  such that:

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{h}} \mathbf{w}^t \mathbf{w}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{h}} \mathbf{h}^t \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A} \mathbf{h}$$

with  $\|\mathbf{h}\|_2^2 = 1$

How do we minimize the loss?

## Estimation of $\mathbf{h}$ : Singular Value Decomposition

The eigenvector belonging to the smallest eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A}$  provides the solution of the over-determined, constrained system of linear equations:

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{2N \times 9} = \underbrace{\mathbf{U}}_{2N \times 9} \underbrace{\mathbf{S}}_{9 \times 9} \underbrace{\mathbf{V}}_{9 \times 9} = \sum_{i=1}^9 s_i \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^t$$

with  $\mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{I}_9$  and  $\mathbf{V}^t \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}_9$

The vector  $v_i$  are orthonormal since

$$v_i v_j^t = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 1 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

So,  $\mathbf{h}$  is equal to  $v_9$ , with  $s_9$  the smallest eigen value.

## Estimation of $\mathbf{h}$ : Singular Value Decomposition

The estimate of  $\mathbf{h}$  is given by

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}} = [\hat{\mathbf{h}}_1 \quad \hat{\mathbf{h}}_2 \quad \hat{\mathbf{h}}_3]^t = v_0$$

This leads to the estimated projection matrix.

**No solution if too many points  $x_i$  are on a line.**

# DLT + SVD algorithm

## Objective:

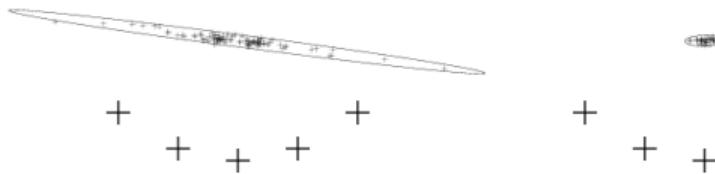
Given  $N \geq 4$  2d to 2d point correspondences  $(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}'_i)$ , determine the 2d homography matrix  $\mathbf{H}$  such that  $\mathbf{x}'_i = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}_i$ .

## Algorithm:

- For each correspondence  $(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}'_i)$  compute  $\mathbf{A}_i$ . Usually only two first rows needed.
- Assemble  $N$   $2 \times 9$  matrices  $\mathbf{A}_i$  into a single  $2N \times 9$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$
- Obtain SVD of  $\mathbf{A}$ . Solution for  $\mathbf{h}$  is the last line of  $\mathbf{V}$
- Determine  $\mathbf{H}$  from  $\mathbf{h}$

## Estimation of $\mathbf{h}$ : Data ranges

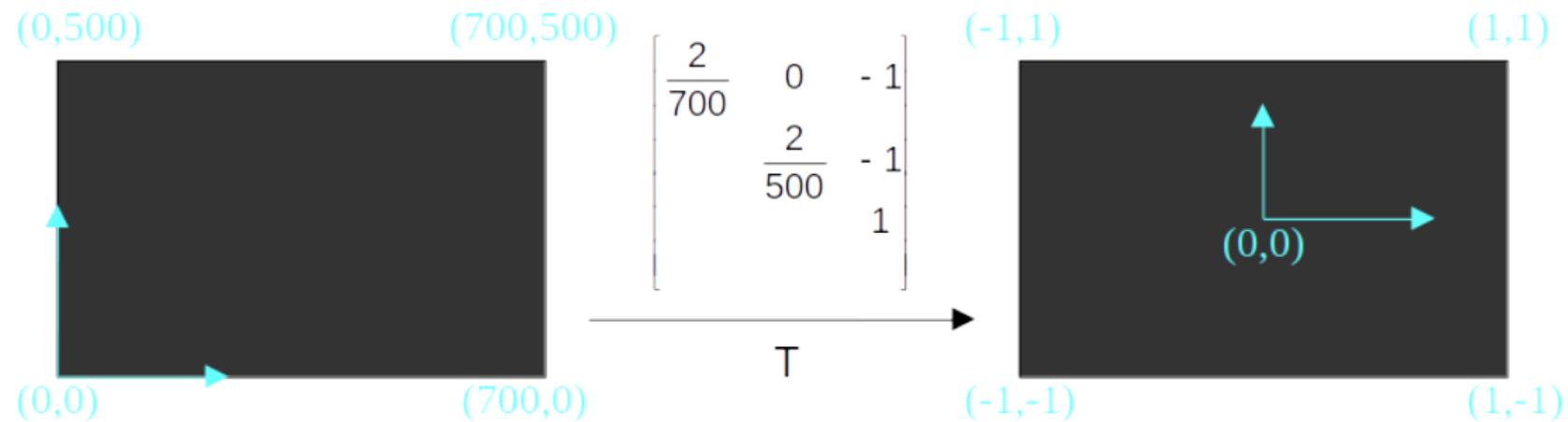
$$\mathbf{A}_i^t = \begin{bmatrix} -x & -y & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x'x & x'y & x' \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -x & -y & -1 & y'x & y'y & y' \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 10^2 & 10^2 & 1 & 10^2 & 10^2 & 1 & 10^4 & 10^4 & 10^2 \end{matrix}$$



Dependence of error distribution on the dimensions of images.

**How to transform them so that the coordinates are within  $[-1, 1]$ ?**

## Estimation of $\mathbf{h}$ : Data normalisation



# Normalised DLT algorithm

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## Algorithm:

- Apply the normalisation  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i = \mathbf{T}_{\text{norm}}\mathbf{x}_i$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}'_i = \mathbf{T}_{\text{norm}}\mathbf{x}'_i$
- apply DLT with  $(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}'_i)$
- Denormalise the homography:  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{T}_{\text{norm}}^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{H}} \mathbf{T}_{\text{norm}}$