Computer Vision

CS-E4850, 5 study credits

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Lecture 10: Camera calibration & single view metrology

 Camera calibration is the process of determining the internal camera parameters, which define the mapping between incoming light rays and image pixels

 Single view metrology provides methods for measuring relative lengths from a single image by utilizing certain assumptions

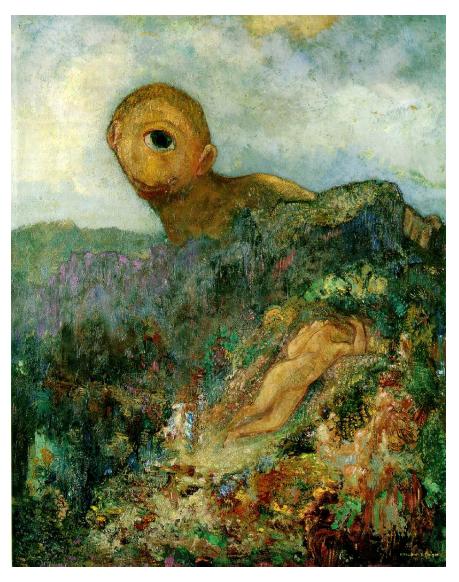
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Reading

Szeliski's book, Sections 6.2 and 6.3 in 1st edition

Hartley & Zisserman book, Chapters 6, 7, and 8

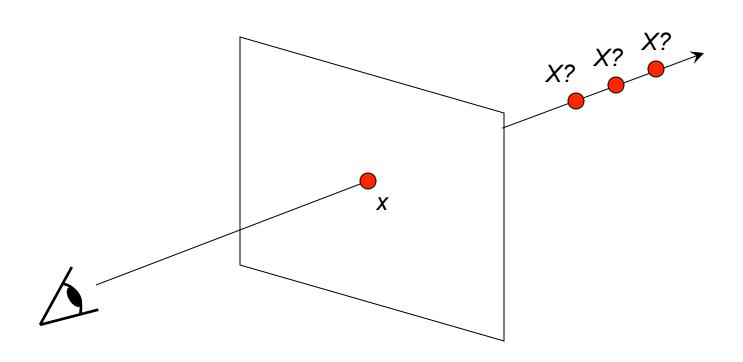
Calibrating a single camera



Odilon Redon, Cyclops, 1914

Our goal: Recovery of 3D structure

 Recovery of structure from one image is inherently ambiguous



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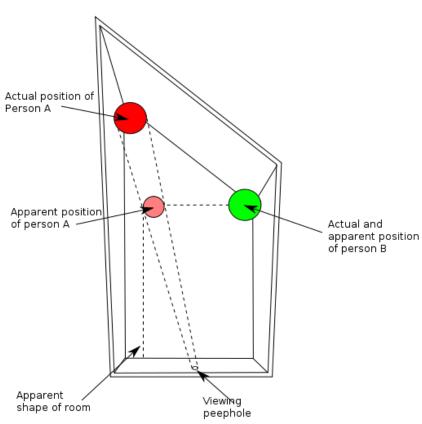
Single-view ambiguity





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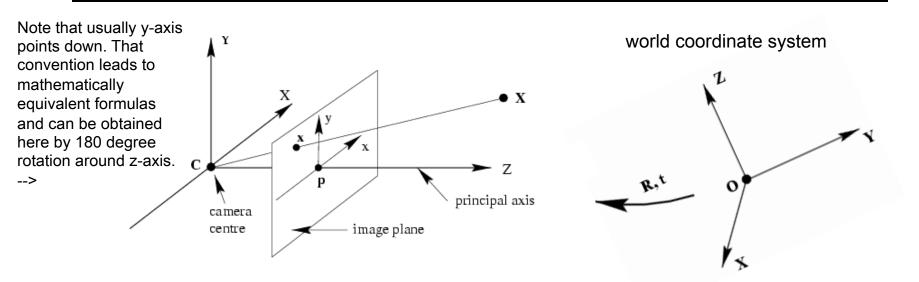
• We will need *multi-view geometry*





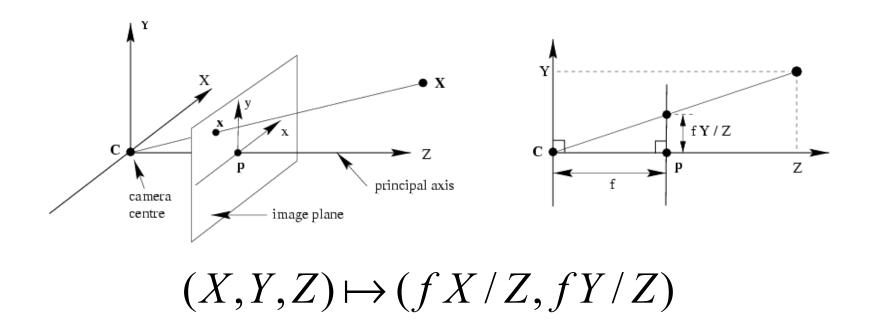


Review: Pinhole camera model



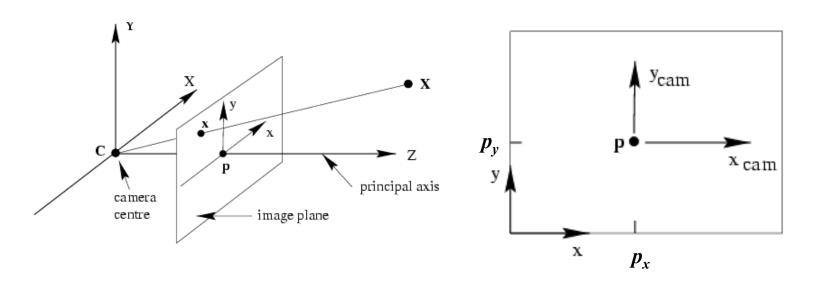
- Normalized (camera) coordinate system: camera center is at the origin, the *principal axis* is the z-axis, x and y axes of the image plane are parallel to x and y axes of the world
- Goal of camera calibration: go from world coordinate system to image coordinate system

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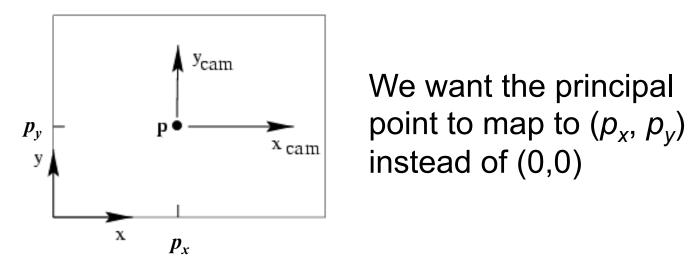
$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} fX \\ fY \\ Z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f & & & 0 \\ & f & & 0 \\ & & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{PX}$$

Principal point



- Principal point (p): point where principal axis intersects the image plane
- Normalized coordinate system: origin of the image is at the principal point
- Image coordinate system: origin is in the corner

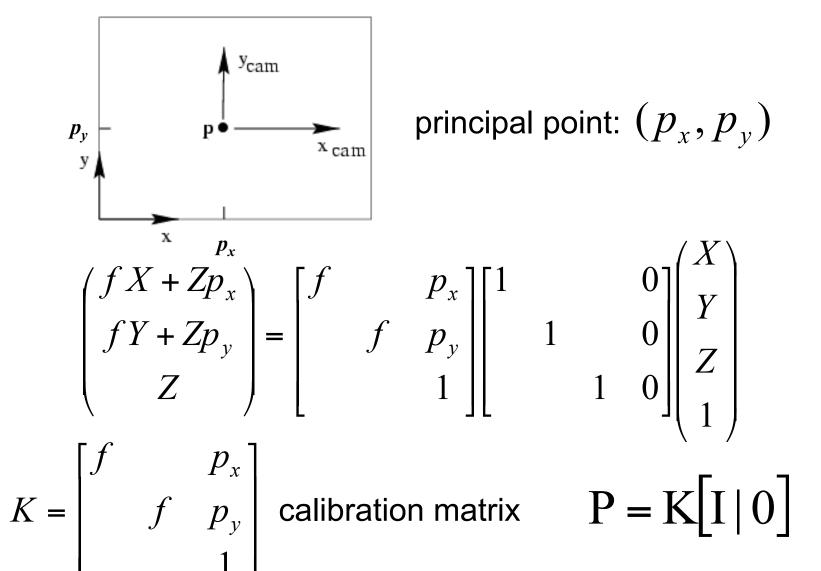
Principal point offset



$$(X,Y,Z) \mapsto (fX/Z + p_x, fY/Z + p_y)$$

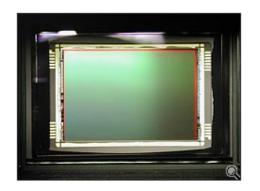
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Principal point offset



Pixel coordinates



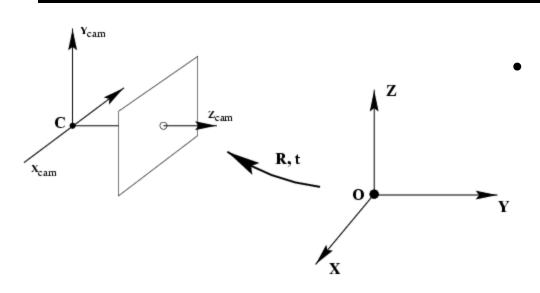


Pixel size:
$$\frac{1}{m_x} \times \frac{1}{m_y}$$

 m_x pixels per meter in horizontal direction, m_y pixels per meter in vertical direction

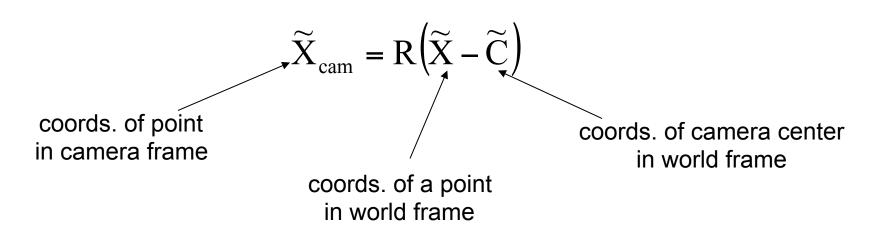
$$K = \begin{bmatrix} m_x \\ m_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x \\ f & p_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & \beta_x \\ \alpha_y & \beta_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
pixels/m m pixels

Camera rotation and translation

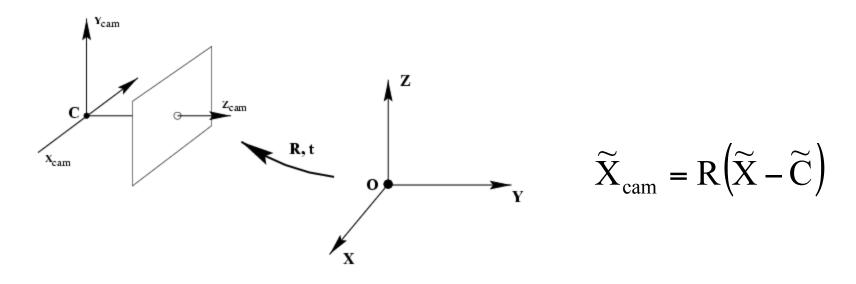


In general, the *camera* coordinate frame will be related to the *world* coordinate frame by a rotation and a translation

 Conversion from world to camera coordinate system (in non-homogeneous coordinates):



Camera rotation and translation



$$X_{cam} = \begin{pmatrix} \widetilde{X}_{cam} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R & -R\widetilde{C} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \widetilde{X} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R & -R\widetilde{C} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} X$$

$$x = K[I | 0]X_{cam} = K[R | -R\widetilde{C}]X$$
 $P = K[R | t]$ $t = -R\widetilde{C}$

Camera parameters

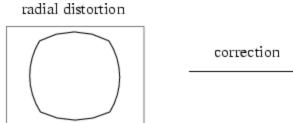
$$P = K[R t]$$

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Intrinsic parameters

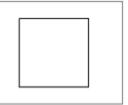
- Principal point coordinates
- Focal length
- Pixel magnification factors
- Skew (non-rectangular pixels)
- Radial distortion







linear image



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Extrinsic parameters

- Rotation and translation relative to world coordinate system
- What is the projection of the camera center?

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & -\mathbf{R} \widetilde{\mathbf{C}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{coords. of} \\ \text{camera center} \\ \text{in world frame} \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{PC} = \mathbf{K} \left[\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{R} \widetilde{\mathbf{C}} \right] \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

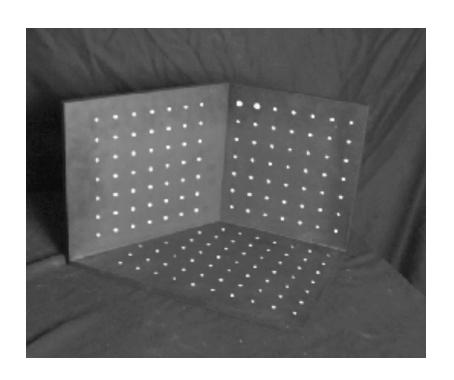
The camera center is the *null space* of the projection matrix!

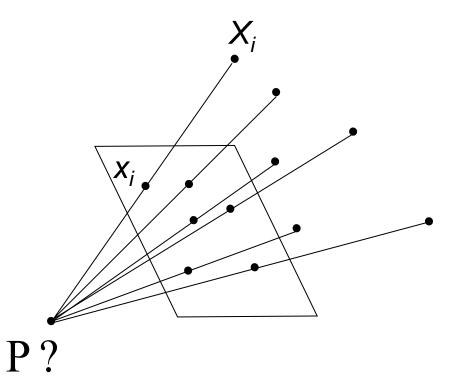
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Camera calibration

Camera calibration

• Given n points with known 3D coordinates X_i and known image projections x_i , estimate the camera parameters





$$\lambda \mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X}_i \qquad \mathbf{x}_i \times \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X}_i = 0 \qquad \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1^T \mathbf{X}_i \\ \mathbf{P}_2^T \mathbf{X}_i \\ \mathbf{P}_3^T \mathbf{X}_i \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{X}_i^T & y_i \mathbf{X}_i^T \\ \mathbf{X}_i^T & \mathbf{0} & -x_i \mathbf{X}_i^T \\ -y_i \mathbf{X}_i^T & x_i \mathbf{X}_i^T & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 \\ \mathbf{P}_2 \\ \mathbf{P}_3 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Two linearly independent equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}^T & \mathbf{X}_1^T & -y_1 \mathbf{X}_1^T \\ \mathbf{X}_1^T & \mathbf{0}^T & -x_1 \mathbf{X}_1^T \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \mathbf{0}^T & \mathbf{X}_n^T & -y_n \mathbf{X}_n^T \\ \mathbf{X}_n^T & \mathbf{0}^T & -x_n \mathbf{X}_n^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 \\ \mathbf{P}_2 \\ \mathbf{P}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0} \qquad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$$

- P has 11 degrees of freedom
- One 2D/3D correspondence gives us two linearly independent equations
 - 6 correspondences needed for a minimal solution
- Homogeneous least squares: find p (||p||=1) minimizing $||Ap||^2$
 - Solution given by eigenvector of A^TA with smallest eigenvalue

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}^T & \mathbf{X}_1^T & -y_1 \mathbf{X}_1^T \\ \mathbf{X}_1^T & \mathbf{0}^T & -x_1 \mathbf{X}_1^T \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \mathbf{0}^T & \mathbf{X}_n^T & -y_n \mathbf{X}_n^T \\ \mathbf{X}_n^T & \mathbf{0}^T & -x_n \mathbf{X}_n^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 \\ \mathbf{P}_2 \\ \mathbf{P}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0} \qquad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$$

• Note: for coplanar points that satisfy $\Pi^T \mathbf{X} = 0$, we will get degenerate solutions $(\Pi, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0})$, $(\mathbf{0}, \Pi, \mathbf{0})$, or $(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}, \Pi)$

 The linear method only estimates the entries of the projection matrix:

 What we ultimately want is a decomposition of this matrix into the intrinsic and extrinsic parameters:

$$x = K[R \ t]X$$

 This can be achieved via the RQ matrix decomposition (see Sec. 6.2.4 of H&Z book)

- Advantages: easy to formulate and solve
- Disadvantages
 - Doesn't directly tell you camera parameters
 - Doesn't model radial distortion
 - Can't impose constraints, such as known focal length and orthogonality
- Non-linear methods are preferred
 - Define error as sum of squared distances between measured 2D points and estimated projections of 3D points
 - Minimize error using Newton's method or other non-linear optimization
 - The iterative optimization by non-linear methods can be initialized with the solution provided by the linear method

Source: D. Hoiem

A taste of multi-view geometry: Triangulation

 Given projections of a 3D point in two or more images (with known camera matrices), find the coordinates of the point



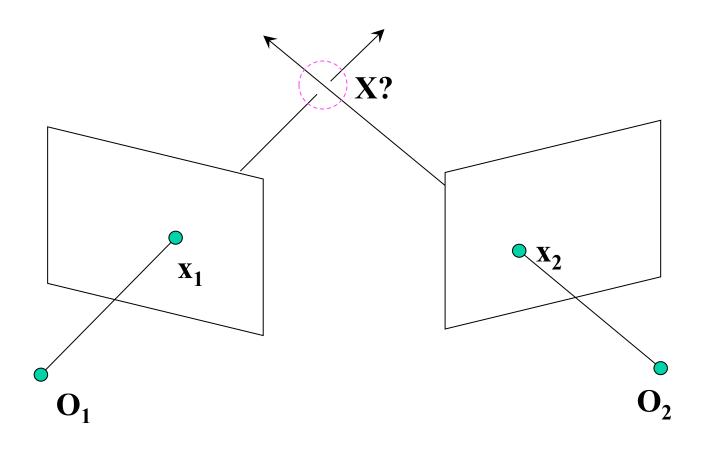




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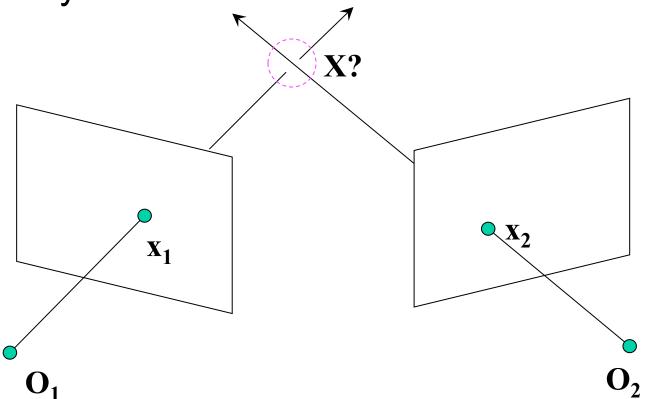
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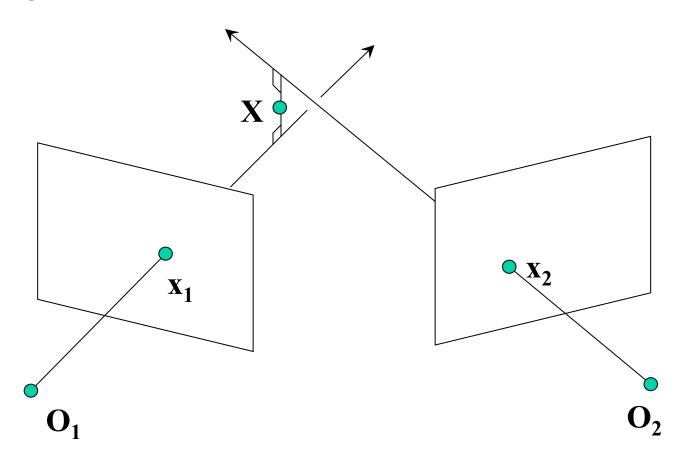
Triangulation

 We want to intersect the two visual rays corresponding to x₁ and x₂, but because of noise and numerical errors, they don't meet exactly



Triangulation: Geometric approach

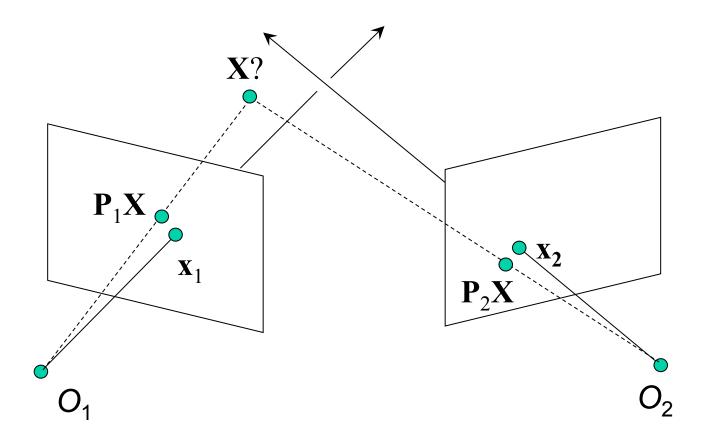
 Find shortest segment connecting the two viewing rays and let X be the midpoint of that segment



Triangulation: Nonlinear approach

Find X that minimizes

$$d^{2}(\mathbf{x_{1}}, \mathbf{P_{1}}\mathbf{X}) + d^{2}(\mathbf{x_{2}}, \mathbf{P_{2}}\mathbf{X})$$



Triangulation: Linear approach

$$\lambda_1 x_1 = P_1 X$$
 $x_1 \times P_1 X = 0$ $[x_{1\times}] P_1 X = 0$
 $\lambda_2 x_2 = P_2 X$ $x_2 \times P_2 X = 0$ $[x_{2\times}] P_2 X = 0$

Cross product as matrix multiplication:

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a_z & a_y \\ a_z & 0 & -a_x \\ -a_y & a_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_x \\ b_y \\ b_z \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{a}_{\times}] \mathbf{b}$$

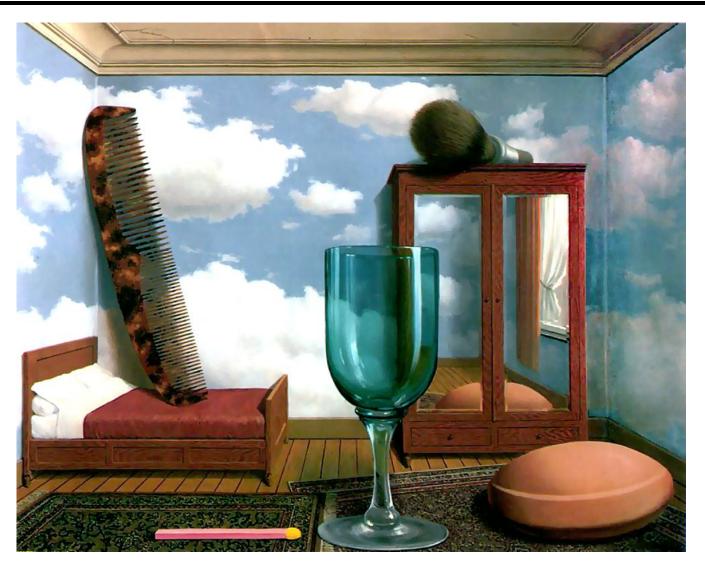
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Two independent equations each in terms of the 4 elements of **X** (but only 3 degrees of freedom since scale is ambiguous and can be fixed)

This is again a linear least-squares problem which can be solved as shown previously

Single-view metrology

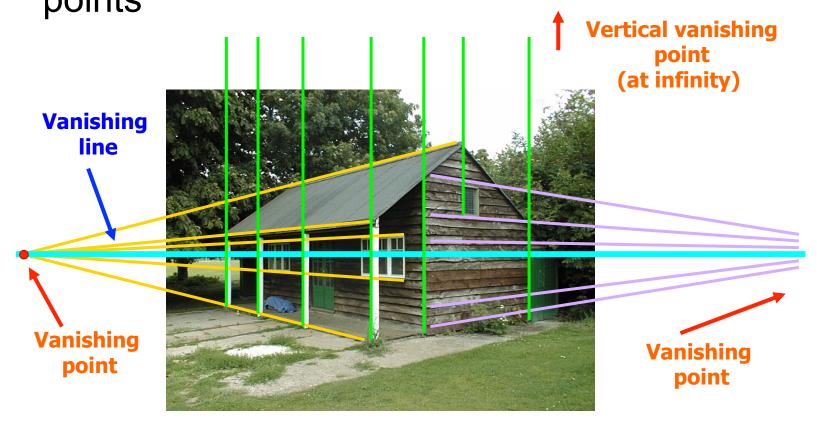


Magritte, Personal Values, 1952

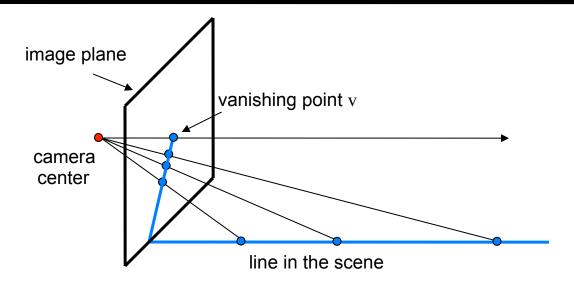
Camera calibration revisited

What if world coordinates of reference 3D points are not known?

We can use scene features such as vanishing points

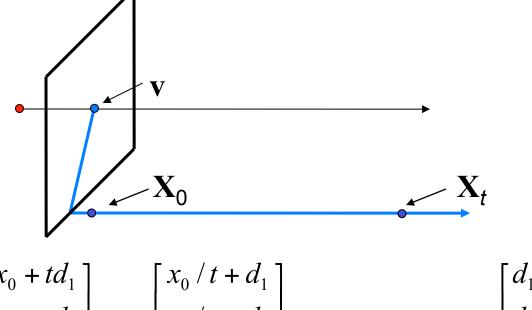


Recall: Vanishing points



 All lines having the same direction share the same vanishing point

Computing vanishing points



$$\mathbf{X}_{t} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{0} + td_{1} \\ y_{0} + td_{2} \\ z_{0} + td_{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{0}/t + d_{1} \\ y_{0}/t + d_{2} \\ z_{0}/t + d_{3} \\ 1/t \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{X}_{\infty} = \begin{bmatrix} d_{1} \\ d_{2} \\ d_{3} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- \mathbf{X}_{∞} is a *point at infinity,* \mathbf{v} is its projection: $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}_{\infty}$
- The vanishing point depends only on line direction
- All lines having direction ${f d}$ intersect at ${f X}_{\infty}$

Consider a scene with three orthogonal vanishing directions:

V₁

 $lackbox{V}_2$

Note: v₁, v₂ are finite vanishing points and v₃ is an infinite vanishing point

Consider a scene with three orthogonal vanishing directions:

 \mathbf{V}_{1}

 We can align the world coordinate system with these directions

- $\mathbf{p_1} = \mathbf{P}(1,0,0,0)^{\mathrm{T}}$ the vanishing point in the x direction
- Similarly, p₂ and p₃ are the vanishing points in the y and z directions
- $\mathbf{p_4} = \mathbf{P}(0,0,0,1)^T$ projection of the origin of the world coordinate system
- Problem: we can only know the four columns up to independent scale factors, additional constraints needed to solve for them

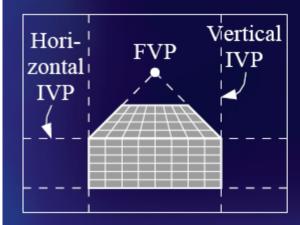
 Let us align the world coordinate system with three orthogonal vanishing directions in the scene:

$$\mathbf{e}_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{e}_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{e}_{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \lambda_{i} \mathbf{v}_{i} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_{i} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{e}_{i}$$

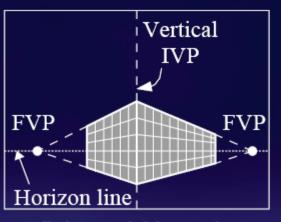
$$\mathbf{e}_{i} = \lambda_{i} \mathbf{R}^{T} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{i}, \quad \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{e}_{j} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{R}^{T} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{i} = \mathbf{v}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{j} = 0$$

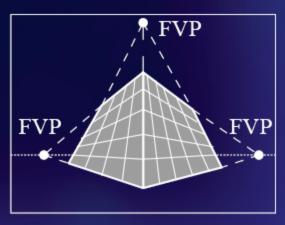
 Each pair of vanishing points gives us a constraint on the focal length and principal point



1 finite vanishing point, 2 infinite vanishing points



2 finite vanishing points, 1 infinite vanishing point

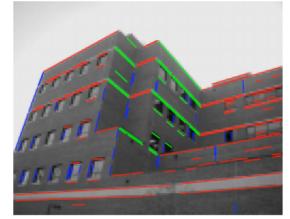


3 finite vanishing points



Cannot recover focal length, principal point is the third vanishing point





Can solve for focal length, principal point

Rotation from vanishing points

$$\lambda_i \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{K} \left[\mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t} \right] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{e}_i$$

$$\lambda_1 \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{e}_1 = [\mathbf{r}_1 \quad \mathbf{r}_2 \quad \mathbf{r}_3] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{r}_1$$

Thus, $\lambda_i \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{r}_i$.

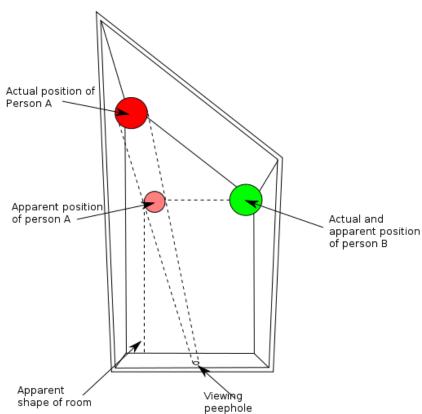
Get λ_i by using the constraint $||\mathbf{r}_i||^2=1$.

Calibration from vanishing points: Summary

- Solve for K (focal length, principal point) using three orthogonal vanishing points
- Get rotation directly from vanishing points once calibration matrix is known
- Advantages
 - No need for calibration chart, 2D-3D correspondences
 - Could be completely automatic
- Disadvantages
 - Only applies to certain kinds of scenes
 - Inaccuracies in computation of vanishing points
 - Problems due to infinite vanishing points

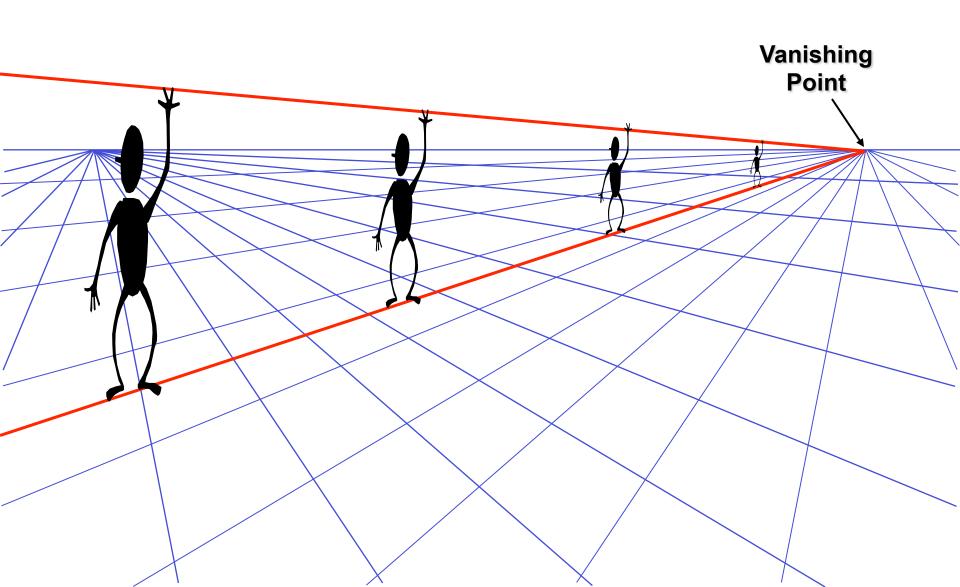
Making measurements from a single image



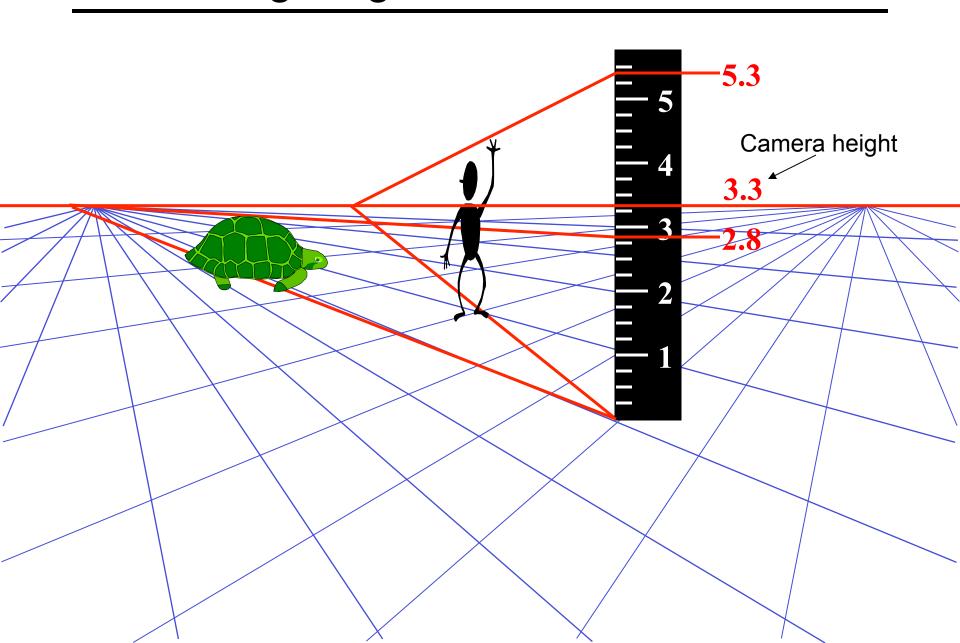


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Comparing heights



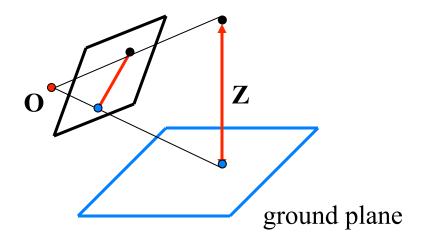
Measuring height



Which is higher – the camera or the man in the parachute?



Measuring height without a ruler



Compute Z from image measurements

Need more than vanishing points to do this

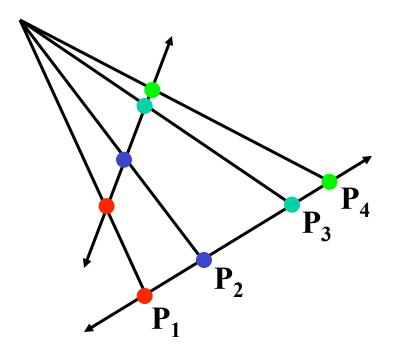
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- The *cross-ratio* of four points:



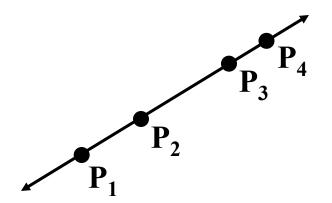
$$\frac{\|\mathbf{P}_{3} - \mathbf{P}_{1}\| \|\mathbf{P}_{4} - \mathbf{P}_{2}\|}{\|\mathbf{P}_{3} - \mathbf{P}_{2}\| \|\mathbf{P}_{4} - \mathbf{P}_{1}\|}$$

The cross ratio

A Projective Invariant

 Something that does not change under projective transformations (including perspective projection)

The cross-ratio of 4 collinear points



$$\frac{\|\mathbf{P}_{3} - \mathbf{P}_{1}\| \|\mathbf{P}_{4} - \mathbf{P}_{2}\|}{\|\mathbf{P}_{3} - \mathbf{P}_{2}\| \|\mathbf{P}_{4} - \mathbf{P}_{1}\|}$$

$$\mathbf{P}_i = \begin{vmatrix} X_i \\ Y_i \\ Z_i \\ 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

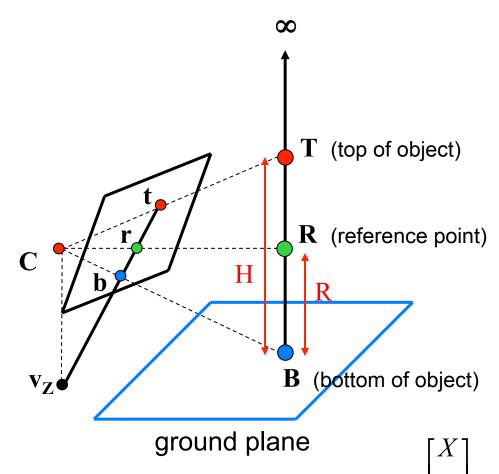
Can permute the point ordering

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{P}_{1} - \mathbf{P}_{3}\| \|\mathbf{P}_{4} - \mathbf{P}_{2}\|}{\|\mathbf{P}_{1} - \mathbf{P}_{2}\| \|\mathbf{P}_{4} - \mathbf{P}_{3}\|}$$

• 4! = 24 different orders (but only 6 distinct values)

This is the fundamental invariant of projective geometry

Measuring height



scene points represented as P =

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{T}\| \|\infty - \mathbf{R}\|}{\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{R}\| \|\infty - \mathbf{T}\|} = \frac{H}{R}$$

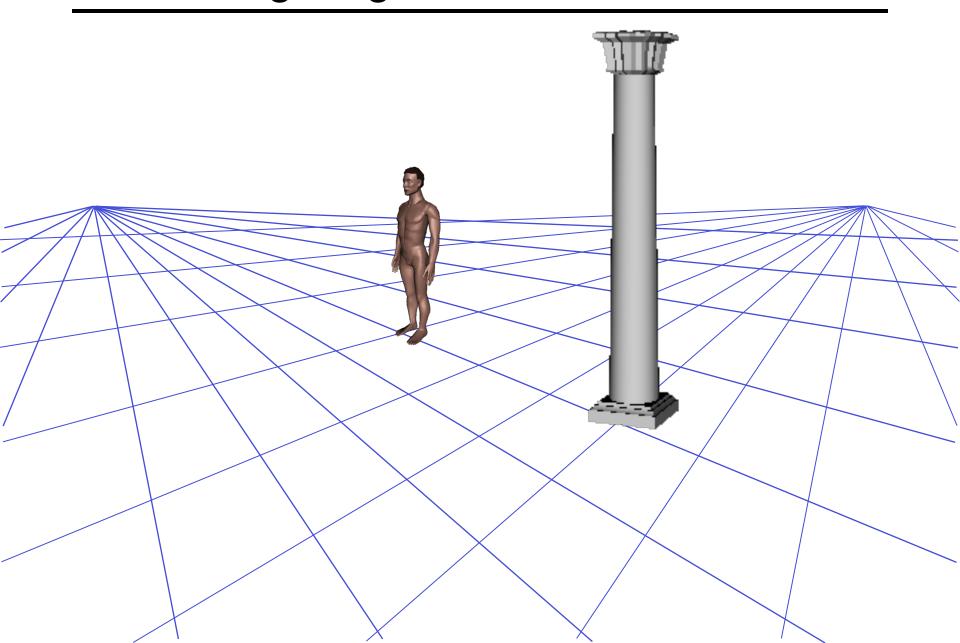
scene cross ratio

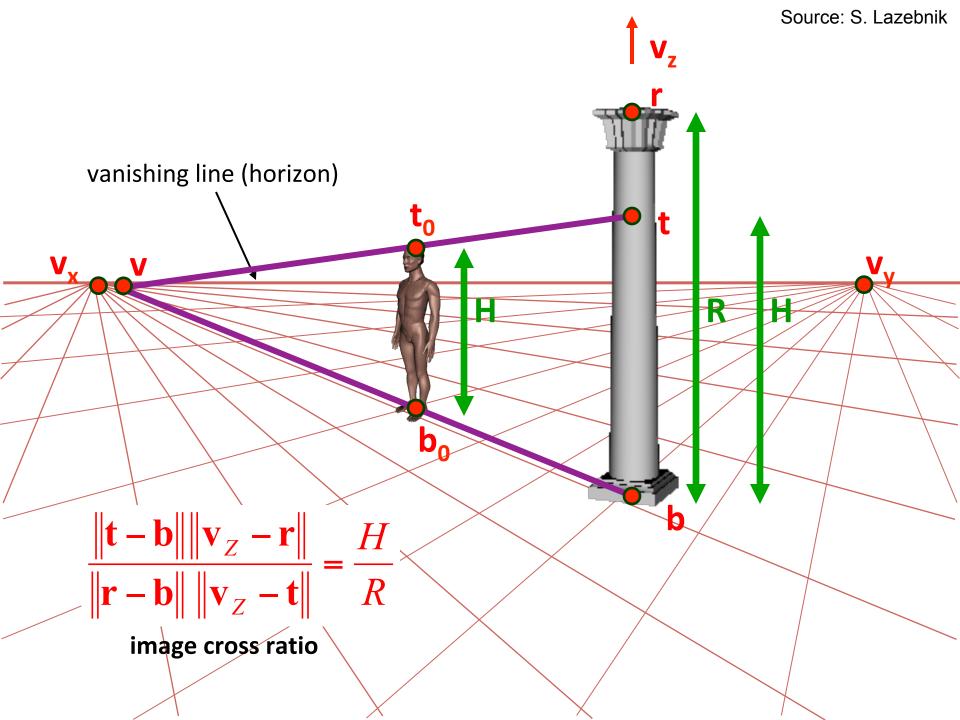
$$\frac{\|\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{t}\| \|\mathbf{v}_Z - \mathbf{r}\|}{\|\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{r}\| \|\mathbf{v}_Z - \mathbf{t}\|} = \frac{H}{R}$$

image cross ratio

image points as
$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Measuring height without a ruler



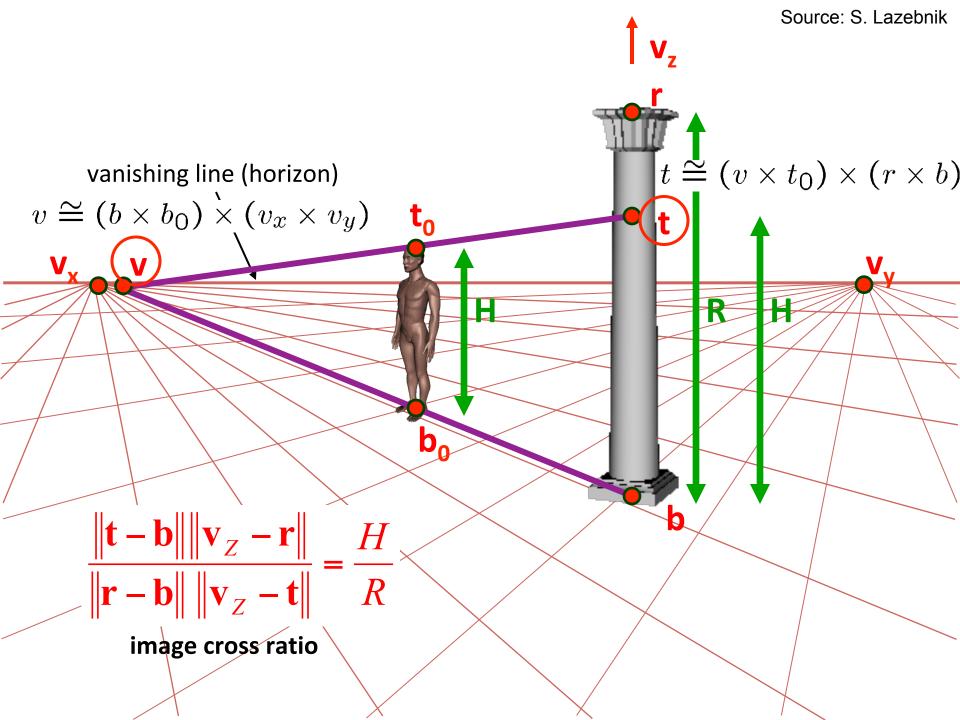


2D lines in homogeneous coordinates

• Line equation: ax + by + c = 0

$$\mathbf{l}^T \mathbf{x} = 0 \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{l} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Line passing through two points: $\mathbf{l} = \mathbf{x}_1 \times \mathbf{x}_2$
- Intersection of two lines: x = l₁ × l₂
 - What is the intersection of two parallel lines?



Measurements on planes

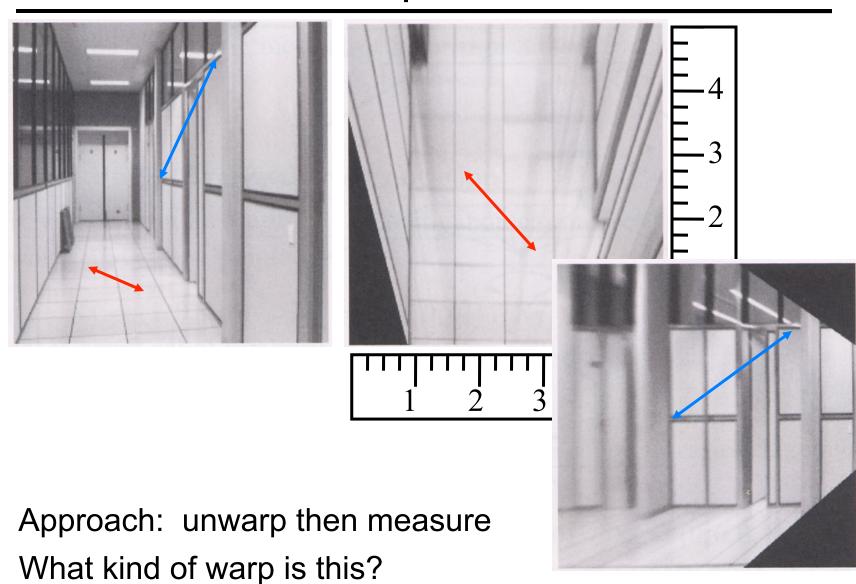
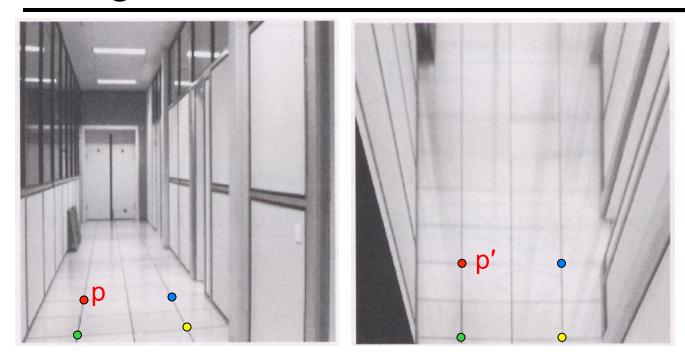


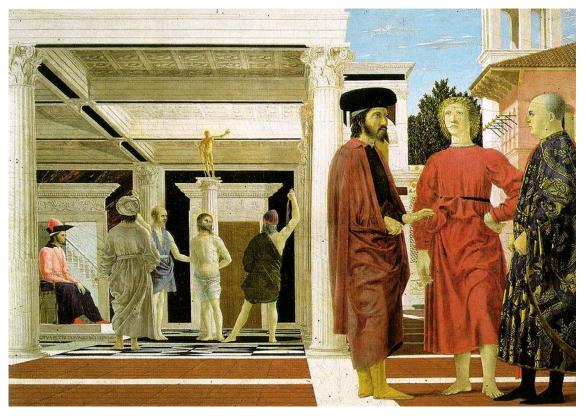
Image rectification



To unwarp (rectify) an image

- solve for homography H given p and p'
- how many points are necessary to solve for H?

Image rectification: example



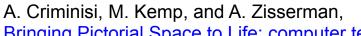
Piero della Francesca, Flagellation, ca. 1455



Application: 3D modeling from a single image



J. Vermeer, Music Lesson, 1662



Bringing Pictorial Space to Life: computer techniques for the analysis of paintings, *Proc. Computers and the History of Art*, 2002

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Application: 3D modeling from a single image



D. Hoiem, A.A. Efros, and M. Hebert, "Automatic Photo Pop-up", SIGGRAPH 2005.

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Application: Image editing

Inserting synthetic objects into images:

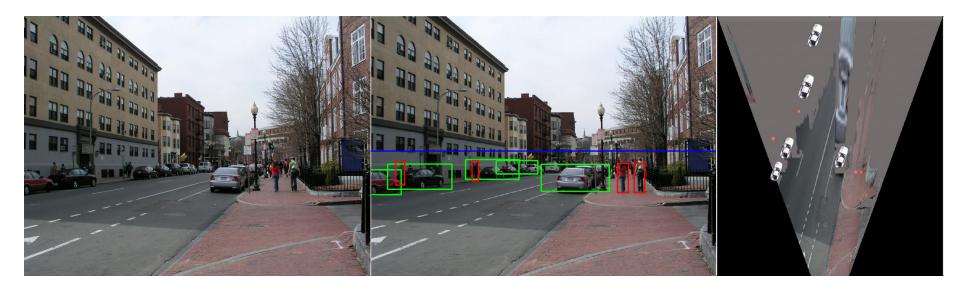
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Application: Object recognition



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