### ► Canonical Perspective Camera (Pinhole Camera, Camera Obscura)



- 1. in this picture we are looking 'down the street'
- 2. right-handed canonical coordinate system (x, y, z) with unit vectors  $\mathbf{e}_x$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_y$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_z$
- 3. origin = center of projection C
- 4. image plane  $\pi$  at unit distance from C
- 5. optical axis O is perpendicular to  $\pi$
- 6. principal point  $x_p$ : intersection of O and  $\pi$
- 7. perspective camera is given by C and  $\pi$

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projected point in the natural image coordinate system:

$$\frac{y'}{1} = y' = \frac{y}{1+z-1} = \frac{y}{z}, \qquad x' = \frac{x}{z}$$

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### ► Natural and Canonical Image Coordinate Systems

projected point in canonical camera 
$$(z \neq 0)$$
  
 $(x', y', 1) = \left(\frac{x}{z}, \frac{y}{z}, 1\right) = \frac{1}{z}(x, y, z) \simeq \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}_0} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x\\ y\\ z\\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{P}_0 \mathbf{X}$ 



• 'calibration' matrix K transforms canonical  $\mathbf{P}_0$  to standard perspective camera  $\mathbf{P}$ 

## ► Computing with Perspective Camera Projection Matrix

$$\underline{\mathbf{m}} = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \\ m_3 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & u_0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & v_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P} \in \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{s}}} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} fx + u_0z \\ fy + v_0z \\ z \end{bmatrix} \qquad \simeq \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x + \frac{z}{f}u_0 \\ y + \frac{z}{f}v_0 \\ \frac{z}{f} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{(a)}}$$

$$\frac{m_1}{m_3} = \frac{f \, x}{z} + u_0 = u, \qquad \frac{m_2}{m_3} = \frac{f \, y}{z} + v_0 = v \quad \text{when} \quad m_3 \neq 0$$

f - 'focal length' – converts length ratios to pixels,  $\ [f]={\rm px},\ f>0$   $(u_0,v_0)$  – principal point in pixels

#### **Perspective Camera:**

- 1. dimension reduction since  $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,4}$ 
  - 2. nonlinear unit change  $\mathbf{1} \mapsto \mathbf{1} \cdot z/f$ , see (a) for convenience we use  $P_{11} = P_{22} = f$  rather than  $P_{33} = 1/f$  and the  $u_0, v_0$  in relative units
  - 3.  $m_3 = 0$  represents points at infinity in image plane  $\pi$  i.e. points with z = 0

# ► Changing The Outer (World) Reference Frame

A transformation of a point from the world to camera coordinate system:

$$\mathbf{X}_c = \mathbf{R} \, \mathbf{X}_w + \mathbf{t}$$

 $\mathbf{R}$  – camera rotation matrix  $\mathcal{R}\mathcal{R}^{T} = \widehat{\mathbf{I}}$  world orient t – camera translation vector  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{I}\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{I}$  world

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$$\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{t}$$
 cam  $\mathcal{F}_c$   
world  $\mathcal{F}_w$  tation in the camera coordinate frame  $\mathcal{F}_c$ 

world origin in the camera coordinate frame  $\mathcal{F}_c$ 

$$\mathbf{P} \mathbf{\underline{X}}_{c} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P}_{0} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_{c} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P}_{0} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{X}_{w} + \mathbf{t} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P}_{0} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^{\top} & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{T}} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_{w} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\mathbf{\underline{X}}_{w}}_{\mathbf{T}}$$

 ${f P}_0$  (a 3 imes 4 mtx) selects the first 3 rows of  ${f T}$  and discards the last row

- R is rotation,  $\mathbf{R}^{\top}\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}$ , det  $\mathbf{R} = +1$   $\mathbf{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3}$  identity matrix
- 6 extrinsic parameters: 3 rotation angles (Euler theorem), 3 translation components
- alternative, often used, camera representations

 $\mathbf{C}_{-}$  – camera position in the world reference frame  $\mathcal{F}_w$   $\mathbf{r}_3^{-}$  – optical axis in the world reference frame  $\mathcal{F}_w$ 

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

 $\label{eq:tau} \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{t} = -\mathbf{R}\mathbf{C} \\ \text{third row of } \mathbf{R} : \ \mathbf{r}_3 = \mathbf{R}^{-1}[0,0,1]^\top \end{array}$ 

• we can save some conversion and computation by noting that  $\mathbf{KR}[\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{C}] \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{KR}(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{C})$ 

# ► Changing the Inner (Image) Reference Frame

### The general form of calibration matrix K includes

- skew angle  $\theta$  of the digitization raster
- pixel aspect ratio a



$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f & -f \cot \theta & u_0 \\ 0 & f/(a \sin \theta) & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

units: [f] = px,  $[u_0] = px$ ,  $[v_0] = px$ , [a] = 1

point x as  $\mathbf{x} = u' \mathbf{e}_{u'} + v' \mathbf{e}_{v'} = u \mathbf{e}_u + v \mathbf{e}_v$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_u$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_v$  etc. are unit basis vectors, K maps from an orthogonal system to a skewed system  $[w'u', w'v', w']^{\top} = \mathbf{K}[u, v, 1]^{\top};$  deadline LD+2 wk

#### general finite perspective camera has 11 parameters:

- 5 intrinsic parameters: f,  $u_0$ ,  $v_0$ , a,  $\theta$
- 6 extrinsic parameters: **t**,  $\mathbf{R}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$

$$\underline{\mathbf{m}} \simeq \mathbf{P} \underline{\mathbf{X}}, \qquad \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

finite camera: det  $\mathbf{K} \neq 0$ 

a recipe for filling P

Representation Theorem: The set of projection matrices  $\mathbf{P}$  of finite perspective cameras is isomorphic to the set of homogeneous  $3 \times 4$  matrices with the left  $3 \times 3$  submatrix Q non-singular.

### Projection Matrix Decomposition

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$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3} \\ \mathbf{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3} \\ \mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3} \\ \mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3} \\ \mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3} \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \text{full rank} \\ \text{upper triangular with positive diagonal entries} \\ \text{rotation:} & \mathbf{R}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I} \text{ and } \det \mathbf{R} = +1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{I} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{K}\mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{Q} \approx \mathbf{k} \quad \mathbf{k} \\ \mathcal{Q} \approx \mathbf{k} \\$$

❀ P1; 1pt: Multiply known matrices K, R and then decompose back; discuss numerical errors

- RQ decomposition nonuniqueness:  $\mathbf{KR} = \mathbf{KT}^{-1}\mathbf{TR}$ , where  $\mathbf{T} = \text{diag}(-1, -1, 1)$  is also a rotation, we must correct the result so that the diagonal elements of  ${f K}$  are all positive 'thin' RQ decomposition
- care must be taken to avoid overflow, see [Golub & van Loan 2013, sec. 5.2]

#### **RQ** Decomposition Step

 $\label{eq:Q} Q = Array ~ [q_{m1,m2} \ \&, \ \{3, \ 3\}]; \\ R32 = \{\{1, \ 0, \ 0\}, \ \{0, \ c, \ -s\}, \ \{0, \ s, \ c\}\}; ~ R32 ~ // ~ MatrixForm \\$ 

 $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c & -s \\ 0 & s & c \end{pmatrix}$ 

Q1 = Q.R32 ; Q1 // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} q_{1,1} & c & q_{1,2} + s & q_{1,3} \\ q_{2,1} & c & q_{2,2} + s & q_{2,3} \\ q_{3,1} & c & q_{3,2} + s & q_{3,2} \\ \hline & c & q_{3,2} + s & q_{3,2} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,2} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s & q_{3,3} + c & q_{3,3} \\ \hline & s &$$

$$\left\{ c \rightarrow \frac{q_{3,2}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}} \text{, } s \rightarrow - \frac{q_{3,2}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}} \right\}$$

$$R_{31} = \begin{pmatrix} C & 0 & -S \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ S & O & C \end{pmatrix}$$

#### Q1 /. s1 // Simplify // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} q_{1,1} & \frac{-q_{1,2} q_{3,2} + q_{1,2} q_{3,2}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}} & \frac{q_{1,2} q_{3,2} + q_{1,3} q_{3,3}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}} \\ q_{2,1} & \frac{-q_{2,3} q_{3,2} + q_{2,2} q_{3,3}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}} & \frac{q_{2,2} q_{3,2} + q_{2,3} q_{3,3}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}} \\ q_{3,1} & 0 & \sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

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### ► Center of Projection

#### Observation: finite P has a non-trivial right null-space

rank 3 but 4 columns

B?

 $B = C^{\gamma}$ 

 $X(\lambda)$ 

A

#### Theorem

Let **P** be a camera and let there be  $\underline{\mathbf{B}} \neq \mathbf{0}$  s.t.  $(\mathbf{PB} = \mathbf{0})$ . Then  $\underline{\mathbf{B}}$  is equivalent to the projection center  $\underline{\mathbf{C}}$  (homogeneous, in world coordinate frame).

#### Proof.

1. Consider spatial line AB (B is given). We can write

$$\underline{\mathbf{X}}(\lambda) \simeq \lambda \,\underline{\mathbf{A}} + (1 - \lambda) \,\underline{\mathbf{B}}, \qquad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

2. it projects to

 $\mathbf{P}\underline{\mathbf{X}}(\lambda) \simeq \lambda \, \mathbf{P} \, \underline{\mathbf{A}} + (1-\lambda) \, \mathbf{P} \, \underline{\mathbf{B}} \simeq \mathbf{P} \, \underline{\mathbf{A}}$ 

- the entire line projects to a single point  $\Rightarrow$  it must pass through the optical center of  ${f P}$
- this holds for all choices of  $A \Rightarrow$  the only common point of the lines is the C, i.e.  $\underline{\mathbf{B}} \simeq \underline{\mathbf{C}}$

Hence

$$\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{P} \, \underline{\mathbf{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Q} \, \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{q} \ \Rightarrow \ \mathbf{C} = -\mathbf{Q}^{-1} \mathbf{q}$$

 $\underline{\mathbf{C}} = (c_j)$ , where  $c_j = (-1)^j \det \mathbf{P}^{(j)}$ , in which  $\mathbf{P}^{(j)}$  is  $\mathbf{P}$  with column j dropped Matlab: C\_homo = null(P); or C =  $-\mathbb{Q}\setminus q$ ;  $-\mathbb{Q}\setminus q$ ; q

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# ► Optical Ray

Optical ray: Spatial line that projects to a single image point.

1. consider line

 $\mathbf d$  unit line direction vector,  $\|\mathbf d\|=1,\,\lambda\in\mathbb R,$  Cartesian representation

 $\mathbf{X}(\lambda) = \mathbf{C} + \lambda \, \mathbf{d}$ 

2. the projection of the (finite) point  $X(\lambda)$  is

$$\mathbf{\underline{m}} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}(\lambda) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{C} + \lambda \mathbf{d}) + \mathbf{q} = \lambda \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{d} = \\ \mathbf{q} = - \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{C} \\ \mathbf{q} = - \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix}$$



 $\ldots$  which is also the image of a point at infinity in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ 

optical ray line corresponding to image point m is the set

$$\mathbf{X}(\lambda) = \mathbf{C} + (\lambda \mathbf{Q})^{-1} \underline{\mathbf{m}}, \qquad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

- optical ray direction may be represented by a point at infinity  $(\mathbf{d},0)$  in  $\mathbb{P}^3$
- in world coordinate frame

# ► Optical Axis

Optical axis: Optical ray that is perpendicular to image plane  $\boldsymbol{\pi}$ 

1. points on a line parallel to  $\pi$  project to line at infinity in  $\pi$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \simeq \mathbf{P} \underline{\mathbf{X}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1^\top & q_{14} \\ \mathbf{q}_2^\top & q_{24} \\ \mathbf{q}_3^\top & q_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. therefore the set of points X is parallel to  $\pi$  iff

$$\mathbf{q}_3^\top \mathbf{X} + q_{34} = 0$$



- 4. optical axis direction: substitution  $\mathbf{P}\mapsto\lambda\mathbf{P}$  must not change the direction
- 5. we select (assuming  $det(\mathbf{R}) > 0$ )

$$\mathbf{o} = \det(\mathbf{Q}) \, \mathbf{q}_3$$

if  $\mathbf{P} \mapsto \lambda \mathbf{P}$  then  $\det(\mathbf{Q}) \mapsto \lambda^3 \det(\mathbf{Q})$  and  $\mathbf{q}_3 \mapsto \lambda \mathbf{q}_3$ 

• the axis is expressed in world coordinate frame



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# ► Principal Point

Principal point: The intersection of image plane and the optical axis

- 1. as we saw,  $\mathbf{q}_3$  is the directional vector of optical axis
- 2. we take point at infinity on the optical axis that must project to principal point  $m_0$

3. then

$$\underline{\mathbf{m}}_0 \simeq \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Q} \, \mathbf{q}_3$$



principal point:  $\mathbf{\underline{m}}_0 \simeq \mathbf{Q} \, \mathbf{q}_3$ 

principal point is also the center of radial distortion

## ► Optical Plane

A spatial plane with normal p passing through optical center C and a given image line n.



hence, 
$$0 = \mathbf{p}^{\top}(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{C}) = \underline{\mathbf{n}}^{\top} \underbrace{\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{C})}_{\to 30} = \underline{\mathbf{n}}^{\top} \mathbf{P} \underline{\mathbf{X}} = (\mathbf{P}^{\top} \underline{\mathbf{n}})^{\top} \underline{\mathbf{X}}$$
 for every X in plane  $\rho$ 

optical plane is given by n:  $\boldsymbol{\rho} \simeq \mathbf{P}^\top \mathbf{n}$ 

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 $\rho_1 x + \rho_2 y + \rho_3 z + \rho_4 = 0$ 

### Cross-Check: Optical Ray as Optical Plane Intersection

p' $\overline{p}$ d mn'n $\pi$  $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{Q}^{\top} \mathbf{n}$ optical plane normal given by n $\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{Q}^{\top} \mathbf{n}'$ optical plane normal given by n' $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{p}' = (\mathbf{Q}^{\top} \mathbf{n}) \times (\mathbf{Q}^{\top} \mathbf{n}') = \mathbf{Q}^{-1} (\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{n}') = \mathbf{Q}^{-1} \mathbf{m}$ 

# Summary: Optical Center, Ray, Axis, Plane

General finite camera

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{P} &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_{1}^{\top} & q_{14} \\ \mathbf{q}_{2}^{\top} & q_{24} \\ \mathbf{q}_{3}^{\top} & q_{34} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix} \\ \\ \underline{\mathbf{C}} &\simeq \mathrm{rnull}(\mathbf{P}) & \text{optical center (world coords.)} \\ \mathbf{d} &= \mathbf{Q}^{-1} \underbrace{\mathbf{m}} & \text{optical ray direction (world coords.)} \\ \\ \mathrm{det}(\mathbf{Q}) \mathbf{q}_{3} & \mathrm{outward optical axis (world coords.)} \\ \\ \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{q}_{3} & \mathrm{principal point (in image plane)} \\ \\ \boldsymbol{\rho} &= \mathbf{P}^{\top} \underbrace{\mathbf{n}} & \mathrm{optical plane (world coords.)} \\ \\ \mathbf{K} &= \begin{bmatrix} f & -f \cot \theta & u_{0} \\ 0 & f / (a \sin \theta) & v_{0} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & \mathrm{camera (calibration) matrix (f, u_{0}, v_{0} in pixels)} \\ \\ \\ \mathbf{R} & \mathrm{camera rotation matrix (cam coords.)} \\ \\ \\ \mathbf{t} & \mathrm{camera translation vector (cam coords.)} \end{split}$$

Thank You