

3D Computer Vision

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Open Informatics Master's Course

Perspective Camera

- 2.1 Basic Entities: Points, Lines
- 2.2 Homography: Mapping Acting on Points and Lines
- 2.3 Canonical Perspective Camera
- 2.4 Changing the Outer and Inner Reference Frames
- 2.5 Projection Matrix Decomposition
- 2.6 Anatomy of Linear Perspective Camera
- 2.7 Vanishing Points and Lines

covered by

[H&Z] Secs: 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 6.1, 6.2, 8.6, 2.5, Example: 2.19

► Basic Geometric Entities, their Representation, and Notation

- entities have names and representations
- names and their components:

entity	in 2-space	in 3-space
point	$m = (u, v)$	$X = (x, y, z)$
line	n	O
plane		π, φ

- associated vector representations

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = [u, v]^T, \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{n}$$

will also be written in an 'in-line' form as $\mathbf{m} = (u, v)$, $\mathbf{X} = (x, y, z)$, etc.

- vectors are always meant to be columns $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$
- associated homogeneous representations

$$\underline{\mathbf{m}} = [m_1, m_2, m_3]^T, \quad \underline{\mathbf{X}} = [x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]^T, \quad \underline{\mathbf{n}}$$

'in-line' forms: $\underline{\mathbf{m}} = (m_1, m_2, m_3)$, $\underline{\mathbf{X}} = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$, etc.

- matrices are $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, linear map of a $\mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$ vector is $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{x}$
- j -th element of vector \mathbf{m}_i is $(\mathbf{m}_i)_j$; element i, j of matrix \mathbf{P} is \mathbf{P}_{ij}

► Image Line (in 2D)

a finite line in the 2D (u, v) plane

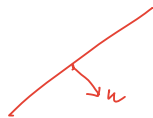
$$(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad au + bv + c = 0$$

has a parameter (homogeneous) vector

$$\underline{\mathbf{n}} \simeq (a, b, c), \quad \|\underline{\mathbf{n}}\| \neq 0$$

and there is an equivalence class for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda \neq 0$

$$(\lambda a, \lambda b, \lambda c) \simeq (a, b, c)$$



'Finite' lines

- standard representative for finite $\underline{\mathbf{n}} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)$ is $\lambda \underline{\mathbf{n}}$, where $\lambda = \frac{\mathbf{1}}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2}}$
assuming $n_1^2 + n_2^2 \neq 0$; $\mathbf{1}$ is the unit, usually $\mathbf{1} = 1$

'Infinite' line

- we augment the set of lines for a special entity called the **line at infinity** (ideal line)

$$\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty \simeq (0, 0, \mathbf{1}) \quad (\text{standard representative})$$

- the set of equivalence classes of vectors in $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)$ forms the projective space \mathbb{P}^2 a set of rays $\rightarrow 21$
- line at infinity is a proper member of \mathbb{P}^2
- I may sometimes wrongly use $=$ instead of \simeq , if you are in doubt, ask me

► Image Point

Finite point $\mathbf{m} = (u, v)$ is incident on a finite line $\underline{\mathbf{n}} = (a, b, c)$ iff

iff = works either way!

$$a u + b v + c \neq 0$$

can be rewritten as (with scalar product): $(u, v, \mathbf{1}) \cdot (a, b, c) = \underline{\mathbf{m}}^\top \underline{\mathbf{n}} = 0$

'Finite' points

- a finite point is also represented by a homogeneous vector $\underline{\mathbf{m}} \simeq (u, v, \mathbf{1})$, $\|\underline{\mathbf{m}}\| \neq 0$
- the equivalence class for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda \neq 0$ is $(m_1, m_2, m_3) = \lambda \underline{\mathbf{m}} \simeq \underline{\mathbf{m}}$
- the standard representative for finite point $\underline{\mathbf{m}}$ is $\lambda \underline{\mathbf{m}}$, where $\lambda = \frac{1}{m_3}$ assuming $m_3 \neq 0$
- when $\mathbf{1} = 1$ then units are pixels and $\lambda \underline{\mathbf{m}} = (u, v, 1)$
- when $\mathbf{1} = f$ then all elements have a similar magnitude, $f \sim$ image diagonal

use $\mathbf{1} = 1$ unless you know what you are doing;

all entities participating in a formula must be expressed in the same units

'Infinite' points

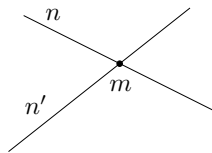
- we augment for **points at infinity** (ideal points) $\underline{\mathbf{m}}_\infty \simeq (m_1, m_2, 0)$ proper members of \mathbb{P}^2
- all such points lie on the line at infinity (ideal line) $\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty \simeq (0, 0, 1)$, i.e. $\underline{\mathbf{m}}_\infty^\top \underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty = 0$

► Line Intersection and Point Join

The point of **intersection** m of image lines n and n' , $n \neq n'$ is

$$\underline{m} \simeq \underline{n} \times \underline{n}'$$

$[n]_x n'$

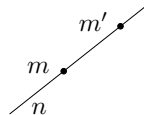


proof: If $\underline{m} = \underline{n} \times \underline{n}'$ is the intersection point, it must be incident on both lines. Indeed, using known equivalences from vector algebra

$$\underline{n}^\top \underbrace{(\underline{n} \times \underline{n}')}_{\underline{m}} \equiv \underline{n}'^\top \underbrace{(\underline{n} \times \underline{n}')}_{\underline{m}} \equiv 0$$

The **join** n of two image points m and m' , $m \neq m'$ is

$$\underline{n} \simeq \underline{m} \times \underline{m}'$$



Parallel lines intersect (somewhere) on the line at infinity $\underline{n}_\infty \simeq (0, 0, 1)$:

$$a u + b v + c = 0,$$

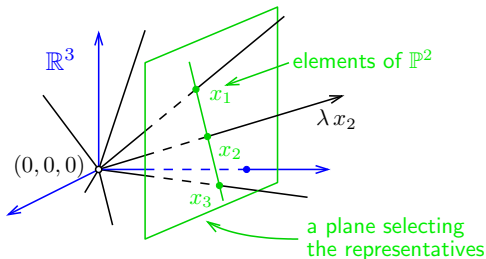
$$a u + b v + d = 0,$$

$$d \neq c$$

$$(a, b, c) \times (a, b, d) \simeq (b, -a, 0)$$

- all such intersections lie on \underline{n}_∞
- line at infinity therefore represents the set of (unoriented) directions in the plane
- Matlab: `m = cross(n, n_prime);`

► Homography in \mathbb{P}^2



Projective plane \mathbb{P}^2 : Vector space of dimension 3 excluding the zero vector, $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0,0,0)$, factorized to linear equivalence classes ('rays'), $\underline{x} \simeq \lambda \underline{x}$, $\lambda \neq 0$ including 'points at infinity'

we call $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{P}^2$ 'points'

Homography in \mathbb{P}^2 : Non-singular linear mapping in \mathbb{P}^2

an analogic definition for \mathbb{P}^3

$$\underline{x}' \simeq \mathbf{H} \underline{x}, \quad \mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3} \text{ non-singular}$$

Defining properties

- collinear points are mapped to collinear points
- concurrent lines are mapped to concurrent lines
- and point-line incidence is preserved

lines of points are mapped to lines of points

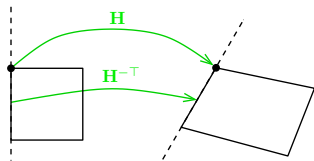
concurrent = intersecting at a point

e.g. line intersection points mapped to line intersection points

- \mathbf{H} is a 3×3 non-singular matrix, $\lambda \mathbf{H} \simeq \mathbf{H}$ equivalence class, 8 degrees of freedom
- homogeneous matrix representative: $\det \mathbf{H} = 1$
- what we call homography here is often called 'projective collineation' in mathematics

$$\mathbf{H} \in \text{SL}(3)$$

► Mapping 2D Points and Lines by Homography



$$\underline{\mathbf{m}}' \simeq \mathbf{H} \underline{\mathbf{m}} \quad (\text{image) point}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{n}}' \simeq \mathbf{H}^{-T} \underline{\mathbf{n}} \quad (\text{image) line}$$

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

- incidence is preserved: $(\underline{\mathbf{m}}')^T \underline{\mathbf{n}}' \simeq \underline{\mathbf{m}}^T \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{H}^{-T} \underline{\mathbf{n}} = \underline{\mathbf{m}}^T \underline{\mathbf{n}} = 0$

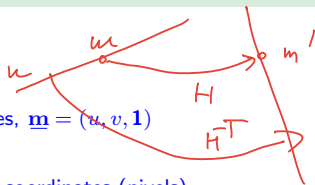
Mapping a finite 2D point $\mathbf{m} = (u, v)$ to $\underline{\mathbf{m}} = (u', v')$

- extend the Cartesian (pixel) coordinates to homogeneous coordinates, $\underline{\mathbf{m}} = (u, v, 1)$
- map by homography, $\underline{\mathbf{m}}' = \mathbf{H} \underline{\mathbf{m}}$
- if $m'_3 \neq 0$ convert the result $\underline{\mathbf{m}}' = (m'_1, m'_2, m'_3)$ back to Cartesian coordinates (pixels),

$$u' = \frac{m'_1}{m'_3} \quad v' = \frac{m'_2}{m'_3}$$

- note that, typically, $m'_3 \neq 1$
- an infinite point $\underline{\mathbf{m}} = (u, v, 0)$ maps the same way

$m'_3 = 1$ when \mathbf{H} is affine



Some Homographic Tasters

Rectification of camera rotation: →59 (geometry), →129 (homography estimation)



$\mathbf{H} \simeq \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{K}^{-1}$ maps from image plane to facade plane

Homographic Mouse for Visual Odometry: [Mallis 2007]



illustrations courtesy of AMSL Racing Team, Meiji University and LIBVISO: Library for VISual Odometry

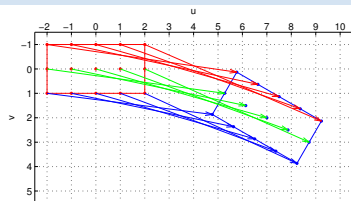
$\mathbf{H} \simeq \mathbf{K} \left(\mathbf{R} - \frac{\mathbf{t} \mathbf{n}^T}{d} \right) \mathbf{K}^{-1}$ maps from plane to translated plane [H&Z, p. 327]

► Homography Subgroups: Euclidean Mapping (aka Rigid Motion)

- Euclidean mapping (EM): rotation, translation and their combination

$$H \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & -\sin \phi & t_x \\ \sin \phi & \cos \phi & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{SE}(2) = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t}$$

- note: action $H(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t}: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, not commutative



rotation by 30° , then translation by $(7, 2)$

EM = The most general homography preserving

$$\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t}) \neq \mathbf{R}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t}$$

- lengths:** Let $\mathbf{x}'_i = H(\mathbf{x}_i)$. Then

$$\|\mathbf{x}'_2 - \mathbf{x}'_1\| = \|H(\mathbf{x}_2) - H(\mathbf{x}_1)\| = \dots = \|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1\|$$

* P1; 1pt

- angles**

check the dot-product of normalized differences from a point $(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z})^\top (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{z})$ (Cartesian(!))

- areas:** $\det \mathbf{H} = 1 \Rightarrow$ unit determinant of the action's Jacobian \mathbf{J}

it follows from: $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{R}$, $\det \mathbf{R} = 1$

- eigenvalues $(1, e^{-i\phi}, e^{i\phi})$
- eigenvectors when $\phi \neq k\pi$, $k = 0, 1, \dots$ (columnwise)

$$\mathbf{e}_1 \simeq \begin{bmatrix} t_x + t_y \cot \frac{\phi}{2} \\ t_y - t_x \cot \frac{\phi}{2} \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{e}_2 \simeq \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{e}_3 \simeq \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

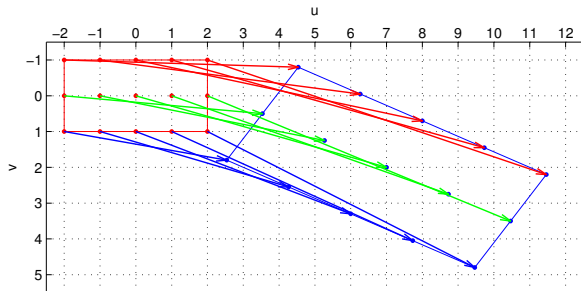
$\mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3$ – circular points, i – imaginary unit

- circular points:** complex points at infinity $(i, 1, 0)$, $(-i, 1, 0)$ (preserved even by similarity)

- similarity:** scaled Euclidean mapping (does not preserve lengths, areas)

► Homography Subgroups: Affine Mapping (Affinity)

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & t_x \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



rotation by 30°
then scaling by $\text{diag}(1, 1.5, 1)$
then translation by $(7, 2)$

Affinity = The most general homography preserving

- parallelism
- ratio of areas
- ratio of lengths on parallel lines
- linear combinations of vectors (e.g. midpoints, centers of gravity)
- convex hull
- line at infinity \underline{n}_∞ (not pointwise)

$$\text{observe } \mathbf{H}^T \underline{n}_\infty \simeq \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & 0 \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & 0 \\ t_x & t_y & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \underline{n}_\infty \Rightarrow \underline{n}_\infty \simeq \mathbf{H}^{-T} \underline{n}_\infty$$

does not preserve

- lengths
- angles
- areas
- circular points

► Homography Subgroups: General Homography

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

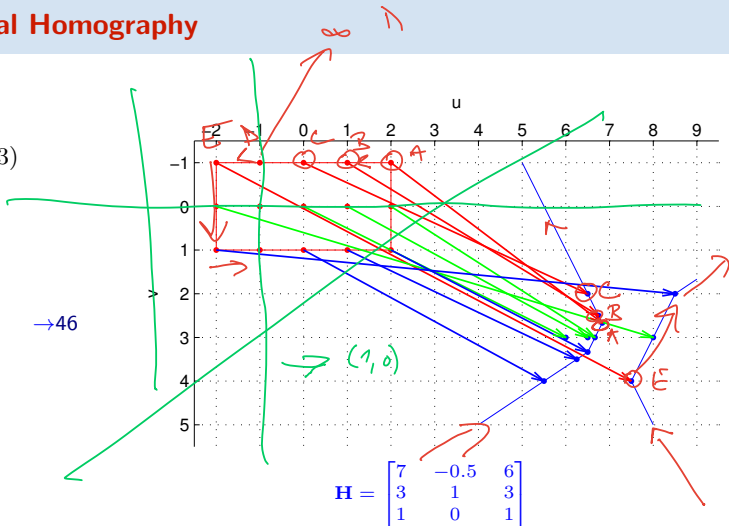
$$\mathbf{H} \in \text{SL}(3)$$

preserves only

- incidence and concurrency
- collinearity
- cross-ratio (ratio of ratios) on the line

does not preserve

- lengths
- areas
- parallelism
- ratio of areas
- ratio of lengths
- linear combinations of vectors
- convex hull
- line at infinity \underline{n}_∞



$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -0.5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

line $\underline{n} = (1, 0, 1)$ is mapped to \underline{n}_∞ : $\mathbf{H}^{-T} \underline{n} \simeq \underline{n}_\infty$

(where in the picture is the line n ?)

Thank You

