

# 3D Computer Vision

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# Perspective Camera

- 2.1 Basic Entities: Points, Lines
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- 2.3 Canonical Perspective Camera
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- 2.6 Anatomy of Linear Perspective Camera
- 2.7 Vanishing Points and Lines

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[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		$\pi, \varphi$

- 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  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n,1}$
- 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  $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{m,n}$ , linear map of a  $\mathbb{R}^{n,1}$  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

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

corresponds to a (homogeneous) vector

$$\underline{\mathbf{n}} \simeq (a, b, c)$$

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  $\lambda = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2}}$   
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 **Ideal Line** (line at infinity)

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

- 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  $\rightarrow 22$
- 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  $\mathbf{n} = (a, b, c)$  iff      iff = works either way!

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

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

### 'Finite' points

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

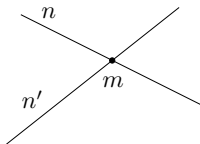
### 'Infinite' points

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

## ► Line Intersection and Point Join

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

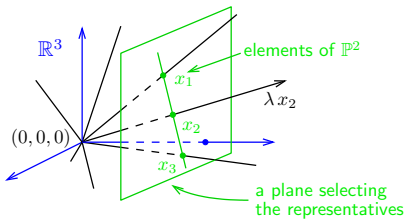
$$a u + b v + d = 0,$$

$$d \neq c$$

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

- all such intersections lie on  $\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty$
- line at infinity represents a set of 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')

including 'points at infinity'

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

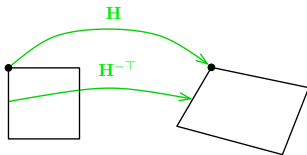
an analogic definition for  $\mathbb{P}^3$

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

### Defining properties

- collinear image points are mapped to collinear image points  
lines of points are mapped to lines of points
- concurrent image lines are mapped to concurrent image lines  
concurrent = intersecting at a point
- and point-line incidence is preserved  
e.g. line intersection points mapped to line intersection points
- $\mathbf{H}$  is a  $3 \times 3$  non-singular matrix,  $\lambda \mathbf{H} \simeq \mathbf{H}$  equivalence class, 8 degrees of freedom
- homogeneous matrix representant:  $\det \mathbf{H} = 1$
- what we call homography here is often called 'projective collineation' in mathematics

## ► Mapping 2D Points and Lines by Homography



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

$$\underline{\mathbf{n}}' \simeq \mathbf{H}^{-\top} \underline{\mathbf{n}} \quad \text{image line}$$

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

- incidence is preserved:  $(\underline{\mathbf{m}}')^{\top} \underline{\mathbf{n}}' \simeq \underline{\mathbf{m}}^{\top} \mathbf{H}^{\top} \mathbf{H}^{-\top} \underline{\mathbf{n}} = \underline{\mathbf{m}}^{\top} \underline{\mathbf{n}} = 0$

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),

$$u' = \frac{m'_1}{m'_3} \mathbf{1}, \quad v' = \frac{m'_2}{m'_3} \mathbf{1}$$

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

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



# Some Homographic Tasters

**Rectification of camera rotation:** →59 (geometry), →122 (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

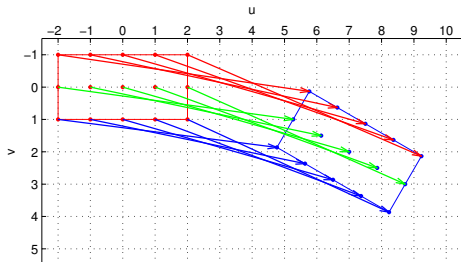
$$\mathbf{H} \simeq \mathbf{K} \left( \mathbf{R} - \frac{\mathbf{t} \mathbf{n}^T}{d} \right) \mathbf{K}^{-1} \quad [\text{H\&Z, p. 327}]$$

## ► Homography Subgroups: Euclidean Mapping (aka Rigid Motion)

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

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & -\sin \phi & t_x \\ \sin \phi & \cos \phi & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- eigenvalues  $(1, e^{-i\phi}, e^{i\phi})$



**EM = The most general homography preserving**

1. **areas:**  $\det \mathbf{H} = 1$

2. **lengths:** Let  $\underline{\mathbf{x}}'_i = \mathbf{H}\underline{\mathbf{x}}_i$  (check we can use = instead of  $\simeq$ ). Let  $(x_i)_3 = 1$ , Then

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

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

- eigenvectors when  $\phi \neq k\pi$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots$  (columnwise)

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

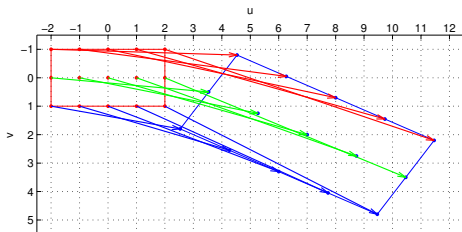
$\mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3$  – circular points,  $i$  – imaginary unit

4. **circular points:** 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

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



### AM = The most general homography preserving

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

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

### does not preserve

- lengths
- angles
- areas
- circular points

observe  $\mathbf{H}^T \underline{n}_\infty \simeq \underline{n}_\infty \Rightarrow \underline{n}_\infty \simeq \mathbf{H}^{-T} \underline{n}_\infty$

Euclidean mappings preserve all properties affine mappings preserve, of course

## ► Homography Subgroups: General Homography

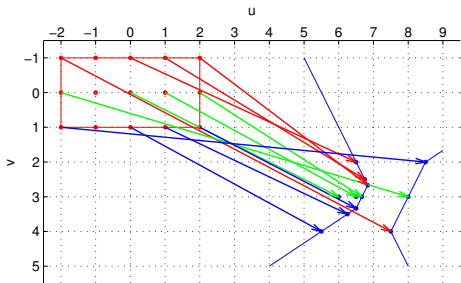
$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

### preserves only

- incidence and concurrency
- collinearity
- cross-ratio on the line  $\rightarrow 47$

### does not preserve

- lengths
- areas
- parallelism
- ratio of areas
- ratio of lengths
- linear combinations of vectors (midpoints, etc.)
- convex hull
- line at infinity  $\underline{n}_\infty$



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

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

(where is the line  $\underline{n}$  in the picture?)

# Elementary Decomposition of a Homography

**Unique decompositions:**  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_S \mathbf{H}_A \mathbf{H}_P \quad (= \mathbf{H}'_P \mathbf{H}'_A \mathbf{H}'_S)$

$$\mathbf{H}_S = \begin{bmatrix} s \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{similarity (scaled EM)}$$

$$\mathbf{H}_A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{special affine}$$

$$\mathbf{H}_P = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{v}^\top & w \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{special projective}$$

$\mathbf{K}$  – upper triangular matrix with positive diagonal entries

$\mathbf{R}$  – orthogonal,  $\mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}$ ,  $\det \mathbf{R} = 1$

$s, w \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $s > 0$ ,  $w \neq 0$

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} s \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{t} \mathbf{v}^\top & w \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{v}^\top & w \end{bmatrix}$$

- must use 'thin' QR decomposition, which is unique [Golub & van Loan 2013, Sec. 5.2.6]
- $\mathbf{H}_S$ ,  $\mathbf{H}_A$ ,  $\mathbf{H}_P$  are homography subgroups (in the sense of group theory)  
(eg.  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{K}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{K}^{-1}$ ,  $\mathbf{I}$  are all upper triangular with unit determinant, associativity holds)

Thank You

