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Perspective Camera

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► 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 $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n,1}$
- 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 $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{m,n}$ $\mathbf{m}' = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{m}$

► Image Line

line in the plane

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



corresponds to (homogeneous) vector

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

and the equivalence class for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda \neq 0$ $(\lambda a, \lambda b, \lambda c) \simeq (a, b, c)$

- 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
- standard representation 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 $\mathbf{1} = 1$
- naming convention: a special entity is the **Ideal Line** (line at infinity)

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty &\simeq (0, 0, 1) \\ &= \lambda (0, 0, 1) \quad \lambda \neq 0\end{aligned}$$

- I may sometimes wrongly use = instead of \simeq , help me chase the mistakes down

► Image Point

Point $\mathbf{m} = (u, v)$ is incident on the line $\mathbf{n} = (a, b, c)$ iff this works both ways!

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

dot product
↙

can be rewritten as (with scalar product):

$$(u, v, 1) \cdot (a, b, c) = \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{n} = 0$$

point is also represented by a homogeneous vector

$$\mathbf{m} \simeq (u, v, 1)$$

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

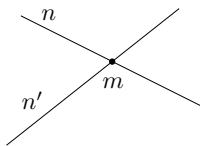
$$(m_1, m_2, m_3) = \lambda \mathbf{m} \simeq \mathbf{m}$$

- standard representation 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
- naming convention: **Ideal Point** (point at infinity) $\mathbf{m}_\infty \simeq (m_1, m_2, 0)$
a proper member of \mathbb{P}^2
- all such points lie on the ideal line $\mathbf{n}_\infty \simeq (0, 0, 1)$, ie. $\mathbf{m}_\infty^T \mathbf{n}_\infty = 0$

► 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,

$$\underline{\mathbf{n}}^T \underbrace{(\underline{\mathbf{n}} \times \underline{\mathbf{n}'})}_{\underline{\mathbf{m}}} \equiv \underline{\mathbf{n}'^T} \underbrace{(\underline{\mathbf{n}} \times \underline{\mathbf{n}'})}_{\underline{\mathbf{m}}} = 0$$

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

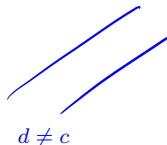
$$\underline{\mathbf{n}} \simeq \underline{\mathbf{m}} \times \underline{\mathbf{m}'}$$

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

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

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

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



- all such intersections lie on the ideal line $\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty$
- line at infinity represents a set of directions in plane

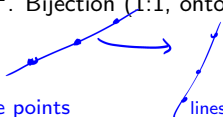
► Homography

Projective space \mathbb{P}^2 : Vector space of dimension 3 excluding the zero vector, $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)$ but including 'points at infinity' and the 'line at infinity'

Collineation: Let $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2, \underline{x}_3$ be collinear points in \mathbb{P}^2 . Bijection (1:1, onto) $h: \mathbb{P}^2 \mapsto \mathbb{P}^2$ is a collineation iff $h(\underline{x}_1), h(\underline{x}_2), h(\underline{x}_3)$ are collinear.

i.e.

- collinear image points are mapped to collinear image points
 - concurrent image lines are mapped to concurrent image lines
 - point-line incidence is preserved
- lines are mapped to lines
bijection!
concurrent = intersecting at the same point

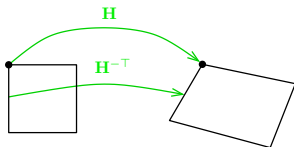


- a mapping $h: \mathbb{P}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$ is a collineation iff there exists a non-singular 3×3 matrix \mathbf{H} such that

$$h(\underline{x}) \simeq \mathbf{H} \underline{x} \quad \text{for all } \underline{x} \in \mathbb{P}^2$$

- homogeneous matrix representant: $\det \mathbf{H} = 1$
- collineations form a group isomorphic to $SO(3)$
group of 3×3 matrices with unit determinant and with matrix multiplication
- in this course we will use the term **homography** but mean collineation

► Mapping Points and Lines by Homography



$$\underline{\mathbf{m}}' \simeq \mathbf{H} \underline{\mathbf{m}}$$

image point

$$\underline{\mathbf{n}}' \simeq \mathbf{H}^{-T} \underline{\mathbf{n}}$$

image line

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{-T} &= (\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{-1})^T = \\ &= (\mathbf{H}^T)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

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

1. collineation has 8 DOF; it is given by 4 correspondences (points, lines) in a general position
2. extending pixel coordinates to homogeneous coordinates $\underline{\mathbf{m}} = (u, v, \mathbf{1})$
3. mapping by homography, eg. $\underline{\mathbf{m}}' = \mathbf{H} \underline{\mathbf{m}}$
4. conversion of the result $\underline{\mathbf{m}}' = (m'_1, m'_2, m'_3)$ to canonical coordinates (pixels):

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

5. can use the unity for the homogeneous coordinate on one side of the equation only!

Elementary Decomposition of a Homography

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

$$\mathbf{A}_S = \begin{bmatrix} s \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{similarity}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} & a, c > 0 \\ \text{special affine} \end{matrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_P = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{v}^\top & w \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \tilde{\mathbf{I}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{special projective} \end{matrix}$$

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




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

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

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

- must use 'skinny' QR decomposition, which is unique [Golub & van Loan 1996, Sec. 5.2.6]
- \mathbf{A}_S , \mathbf{A}_A , \mathbf{A}_P are collineation subgroups
(eg. $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{K}_2$, \mathbf{K}^{-1} , \mathbf{I} are all upper triangular with unit determinant, associativity holds)

Homography Subgroups

group	DOF	matrix	invariant properties
projective 	8	$\begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix}$ 	incidence, concurrency, colinearity, <u>cross-ratio</u> , <u>convex hull</u> , order of contact (intersection, tangency, inflection), tangent discontinuities and cusps.
affine	6	$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & t_x \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	<u>all above plus:</u> parallelism, ratio of areas, <u>ratio of lengths on parallel lines</u> , <u>linear combinations of vectors</u> (e.g. midpoints), line at infinity \underline{n}_∞ (not pointwise)
similarity	4	$\begin{bmatrix} s \cos \phi & s \sin \phi & t_x \\ -s \sin \phi & s \cos \phi & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	<u>all above plus:</u> ratio of lengths, angle, the circular points $I = (1, i, 0)$, $J = (1, -i, 0)$. 
Euclidean	3	$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi & t_x \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	<u>all above plus:</u> length, area

Some Homographic Tasters

Rectification of camera rotation: Slides 60 (geometry), 122 (homography estimation)

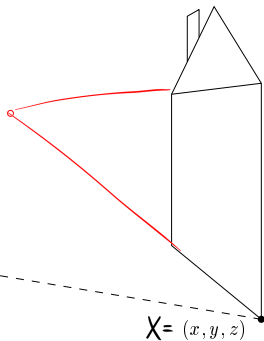
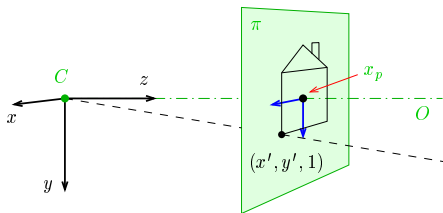


Homographic Mouse for Visual Odometry: Slide TBD

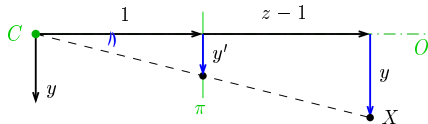


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► Canonical Perspective Camera (Pinhole Camera, Camera Obscura)



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



projected point in the natural image coordinate system:

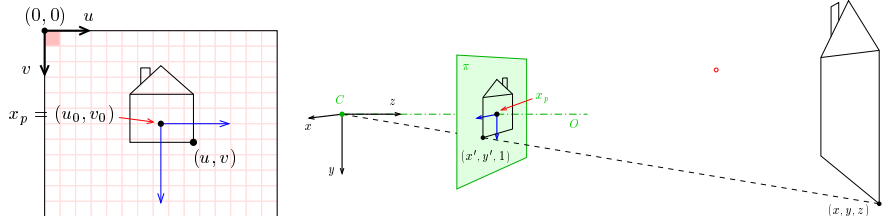
$$\frac{y'}{1} = y' = \frac{y}{1 + z - 1} = \frac{y}{z}, \quad x' = \frac{x}{z}$$

► Natural and Canonical Image Coordinate Systems

projected point **in canonical camera**

$$\mathbf{m} = [x' \quad y' \quad 1]^\top = \left[\frac{x}{z}, \quad \frac{y}{z}, \quad 1 \right]^\top = \frac{1}{z} [x, \quad y, \quad z]^\top \simeq \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}_0} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{P}_0 \mathbf{X}$$

projected point **in scanned image** notice the chimney!



$$\begin{aligned} u &= f \frac{x}{z} + u_0 \\ v &= f \frac{y}{z} + v_0 \end{aligned} \quad \frac{1}{z} \begin{bmatrix} f x + z u_0 \\ f y + z v_0 \\ z \end{bmatrix} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & u_0 \\ 0 & f & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P}_0 \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X}$$

- 'calibration' matrix \mathbf{K} transforms canonical camera \mathbf{P}_0 to standard projective camera \mathbf{P}

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