

Camera Models

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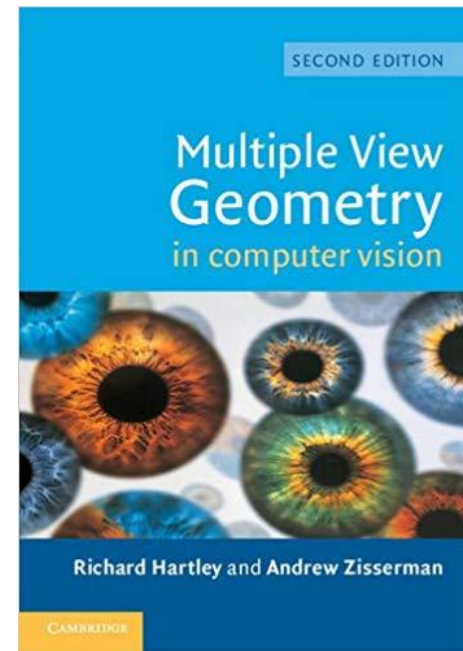
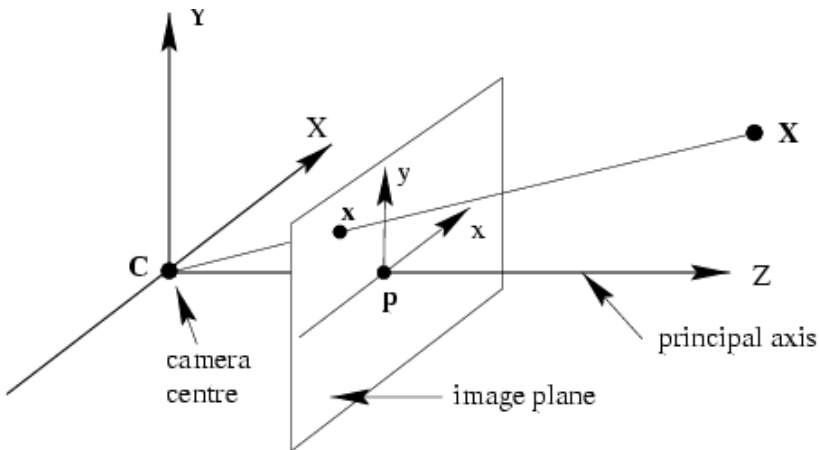
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Outline

- Camera models



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Camera Obscura: the Pre-Camera

- First idea: Mo-Ti, China (470BC to 390BC)
- First built: Alhazen, Iraq/Egypt (965 to 1039AD)

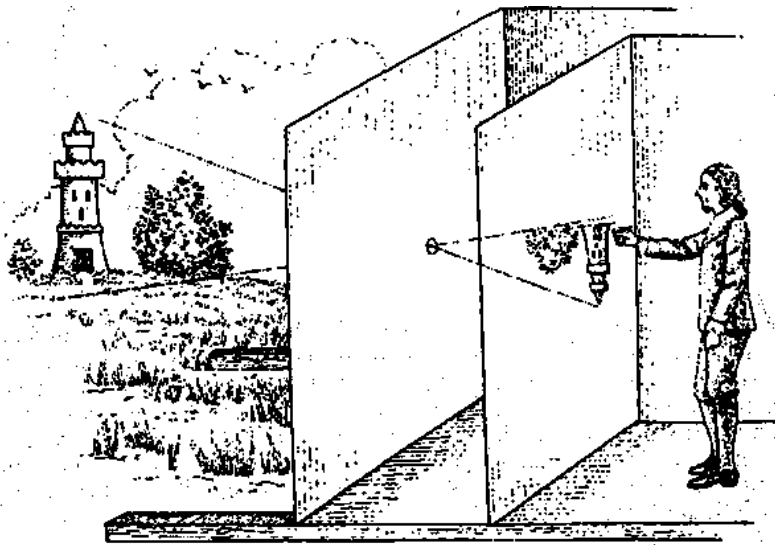


Illustration of Camera Obscura



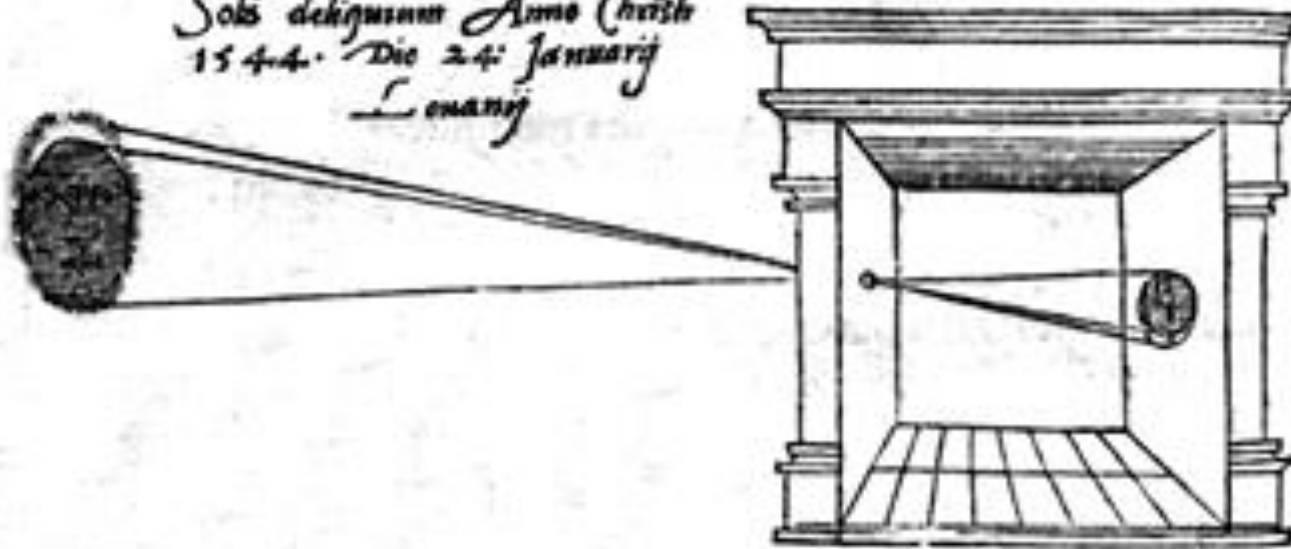
Freestanding camera obscura at UNC Chapel Hill

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Camera Obscura

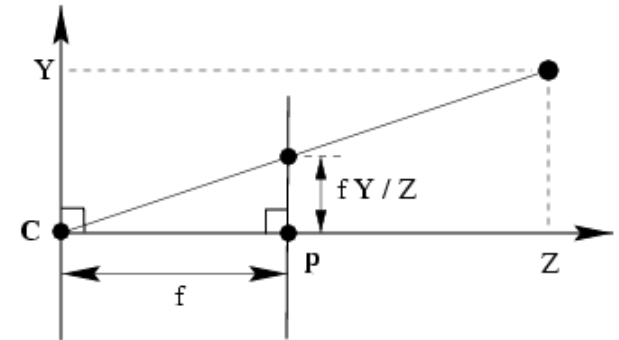
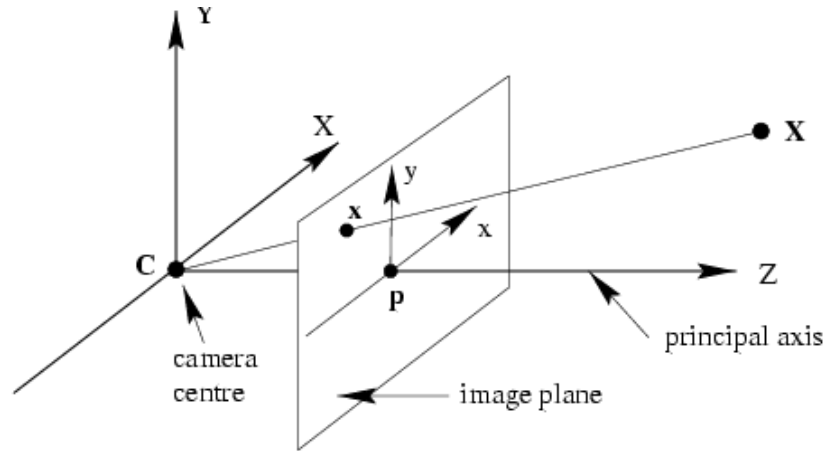
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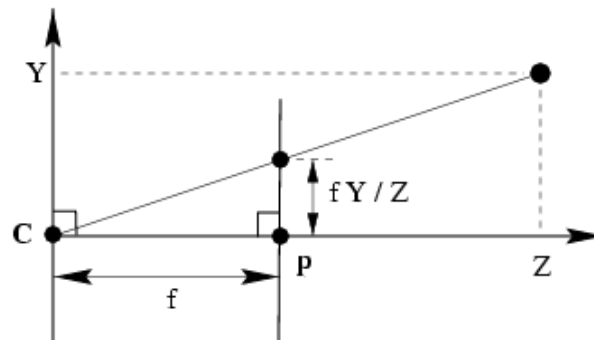
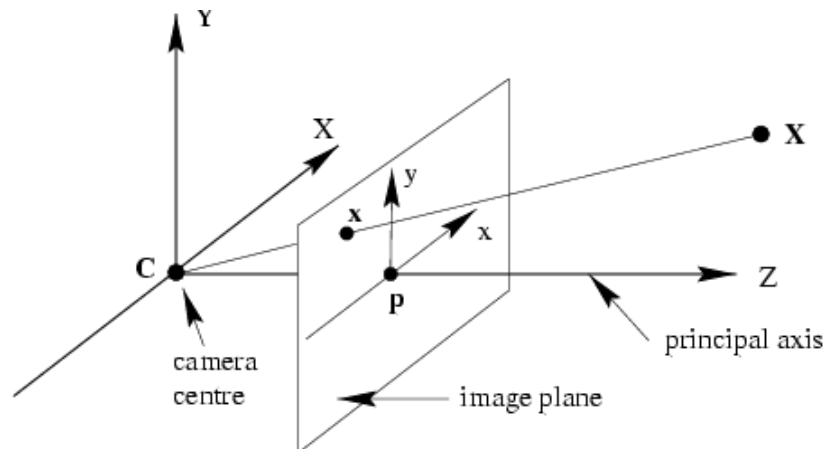
Pinhole Camera Model



$$(X, Y, Z)^T \mapsto (fX/Z, fY/Z)^T$$

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

Pinhole Camera Model

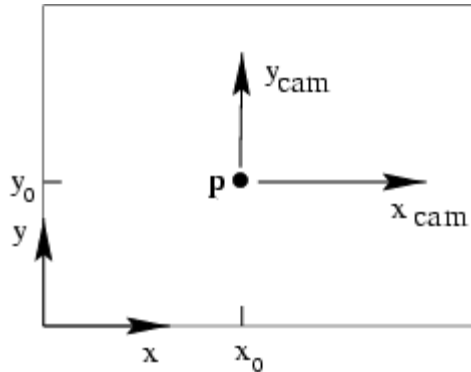


$$\begin{pmatrix} fX \\ fY \\ Z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f & & & \\ & f & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \text{diag}(f, f, 1) [\mathbf{I} | 0]$$

Principal Point Offset

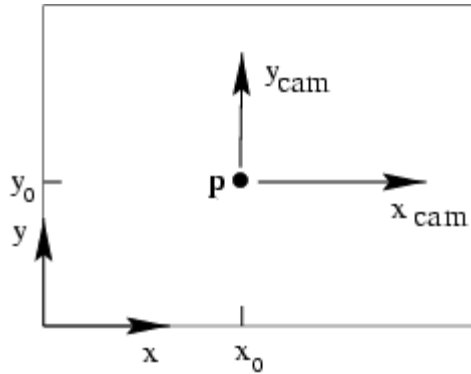


$$(X, Y, Z)^T \mapsto (fX / Z + p_x, fY / Z + p_y)^T$$

$$(p_x, p_y)^T \text{ principal point}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} fX + Zp_x \\ fY + Zp_y \\ Z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x & 0 \\ & f & p_y & 0 \\ & & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Principal Point Offset

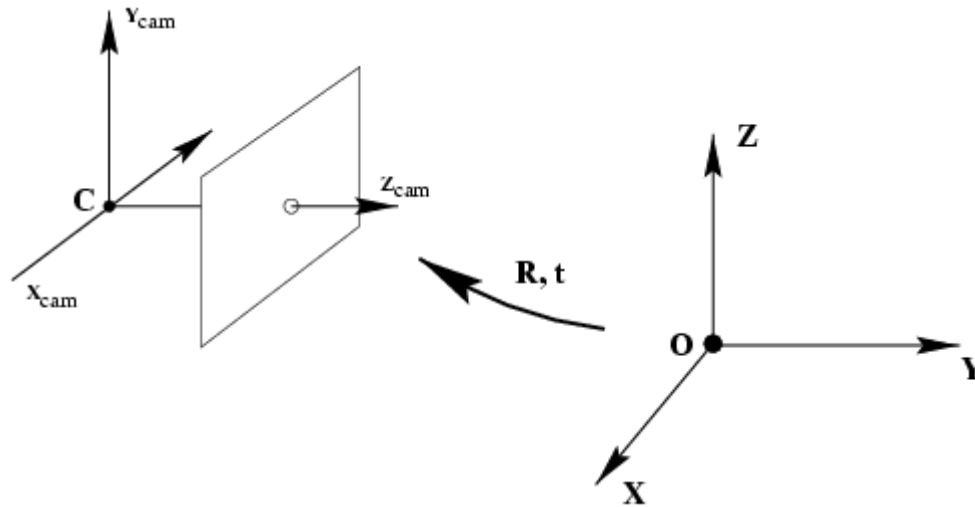


$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}]\mathbf{X}_{\text{cam}}$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f & & p_x \\ & f & p_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Calibration Matrix

Camera Rotation and Translation

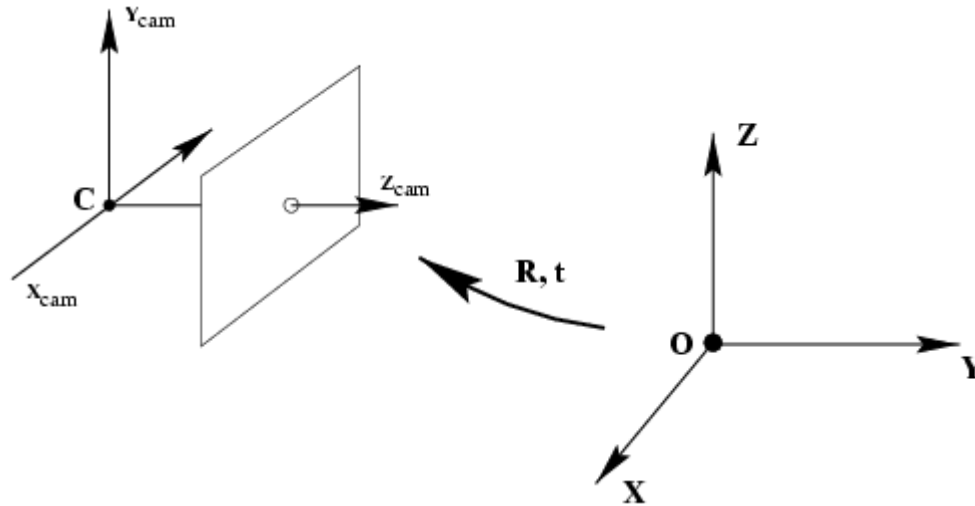


$$\tilde{X}_{\text{cam}} = R(\tilde{X} - \tilde{C})$$

$$X_{\text{cam}} = \begin{bmatrix} R & -R\tilde{C} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R & -RC \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} X$$

$$x = K[I | 0]X_{\text{cam}}$$

Camera Rotation and Translation



$$x = KR \begin{bmatrix} I & | & -\tilde{C} \end{bmatrix} X$$

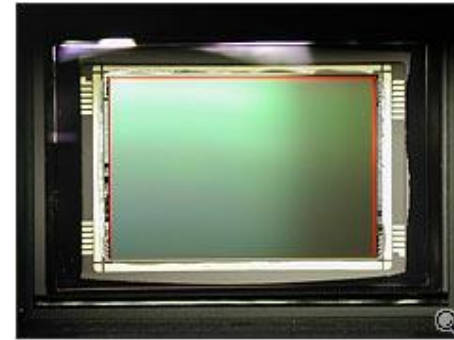
$$x = PX$$

$$P = K \begin{bmatrix} R & | & t \end{bmatrix} \quad t = -R\tilde{C}$$

Internal Camera Parameter
Internal Orientation
Intrinsic Matrix

External Camera Parameter
Exterior Orientation
Extrinsic Matrix

CCD Camera



Non-square pixels \rightarrow

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} m_x & & \\ & m_y & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x \\ f & p_y \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & & p_x \\ & \alpha_y & p_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Finite Projective Camera

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & s & p_x \\ & \alpha_x & p_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} s: \text{skew parameter,} \\ =0 \text{ for most normal cameras} \end{array}$$

$$P = \underbrace{KR}_{\text{non-singular}} [I \mid -\tilde{C}] \quad 11 \text{ dof } (5+3+3)$$

non-singular

decompose P in K,R,C?

$$P = [M \mid p_4] \quad [K, R] = RQ(M) \quad \tilde{C} = -M^{-1}p_4$$

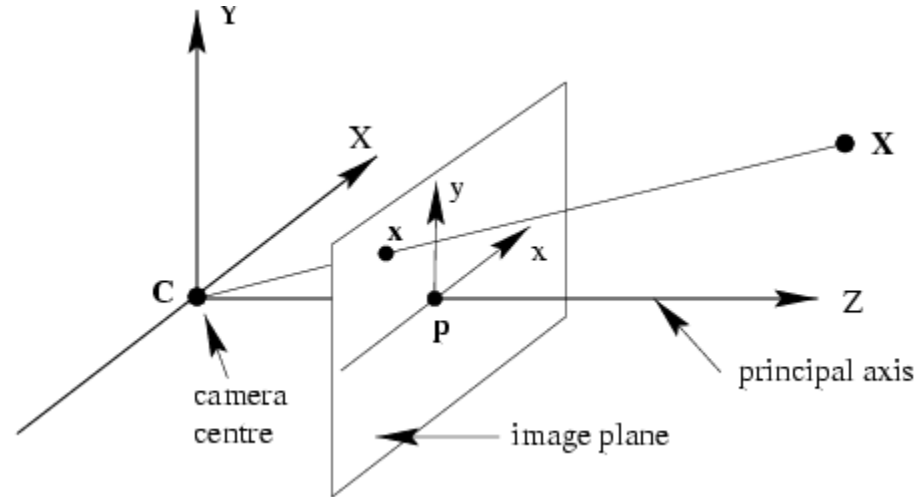
P_4 : Last column of P

{finite cameras} = $\{P_{4 \times 3} \mid \det M \neq 0\}$

If rank P=3, but rank M<3, then camera at infinity

Camera Anatomy

- Camera center
- Column points
- Principal plane
- Axis plane
- Principal point
- Principal ray



Camera Center

Camera Center (C): Null-space of camera projection matrix

$$PC = 0$$

Proof: $X = \lambda A + (1 - \lambda)C$

$$x = PX = \lambda PA + (1 - \lambda)PC$$

For all A, all points on AC are projected on the same image point PA, therefore C is the camera center

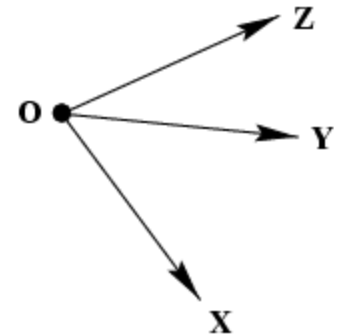
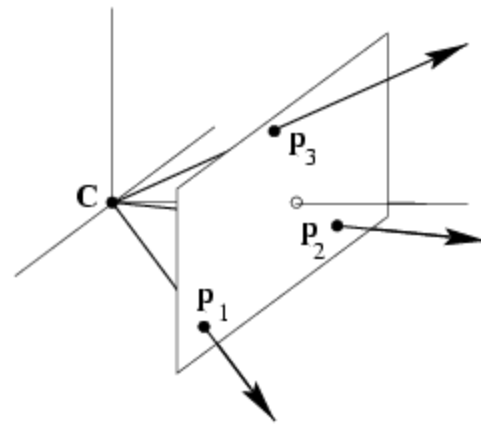
Image of camera center is $(0,0,0)^T$, i.e. undefined

Finite cameras: $C = \begin{pmatrix} -M^{-1}p_4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Infinite cameras: $C = \begin{pmatrix} d \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, Md = 0$
The camera center is a point at infinity

Column Vectors

$$[p_2] = [p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



p_1, p_2, p_3 : vanishing points of the world coordinate X, Y, and Z axes
Image points corresponding to X,Y,Z directions and origin

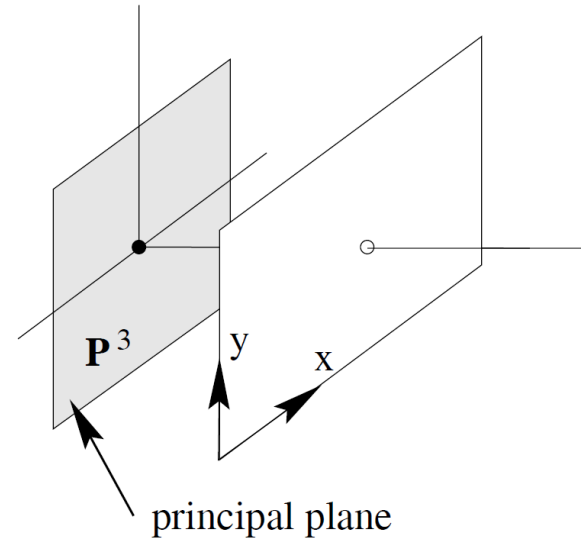
p_4 is the image of the world origin

Row Vectors

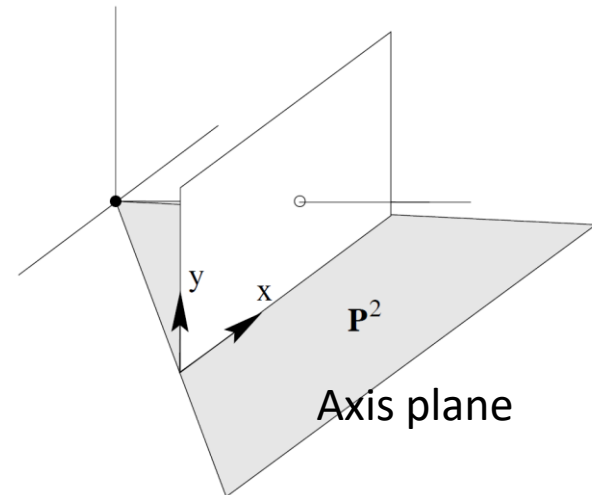
$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} & p_{13} & p_{14} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} & p_{23} & p_{24} \\ p_{31} & p_{32} & p_{33} & p_{34} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}^{1\top} \\ \mathbf{P}^{2\top} \\ \mathbf{P}^{3\top} \end{bmatrix}$$

Row Vectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p^1 T \\ p^2 T \\ p^3 T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

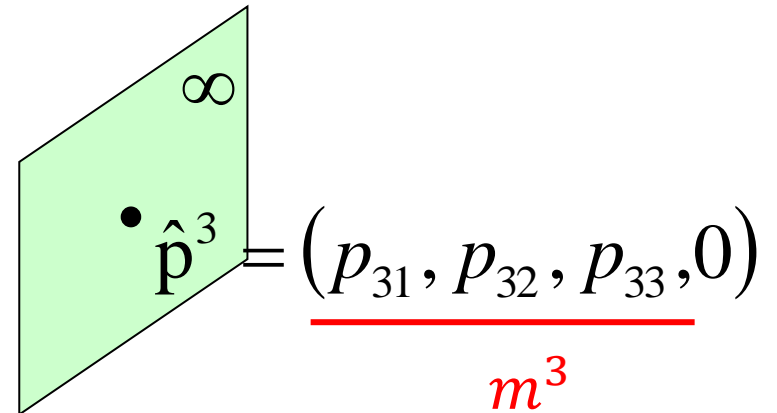
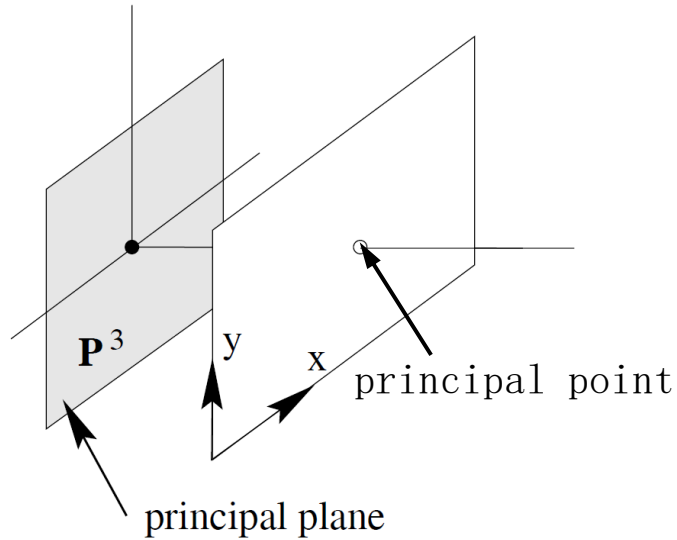


$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ 0 \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p^1 T \\ p^2 T \\ p^3 T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



note: p^1, p^2 dependent on image reparametrization

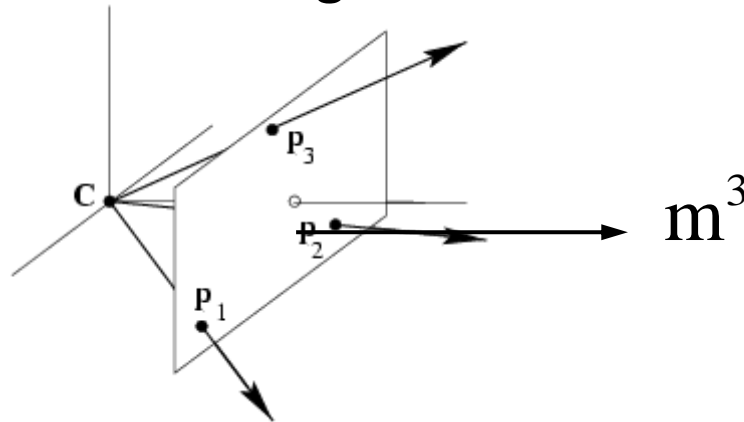
The Principal Point



$$\mathbf{x}_0 = P\hat{p}^3 = Mm^3$$

The Principal Axis Vector

vector defining front side of camera



$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}_{\text{cam}} \mathbf{X}_{\text{cam}} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}] \mathbf{X}_{\text{cam}} \quad \mathbf{v} = \det(\mathbf{M}) \mathbf{m}^3 = (0, 0, 1)^\top$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{\text{cam}} \mapsto k\mathbf{P}_{\text{cam}}$$

$$\mathbf{v} \mapsto k^4 \mathbf{v}$$

(direction unaffected)

$$\mathbf{P} = k\mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}[\mathbf{I} \mid -\tilde{\mathbf{C}}] = [\mathbf{M} \mid \mathbf{p}_4] \quad \text{Direction unaffected because } \det(\mathbf{R}) > 0$$

The principal axis vector $\mathbf{v} = \det(\mathbf{M}) \mathbf{m}^3$ is directed towards the front of the camera

Action of Projective Camera on Point

Forward projection

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M} & | & \mathbf{p}_4 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{d}$$

\mathbf{D} : $(\mathbf{d}^\top, 0)^\top$ point at the plane at infinity

Back-projection

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{P}^+ \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathbf{P}^+ = \mathbf{P}^\top (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{P}^\top)^{-1} \quad \mathbf{P}\mathbf{P}^+ = \mathbf{I}$$

(pseudo-inverse)

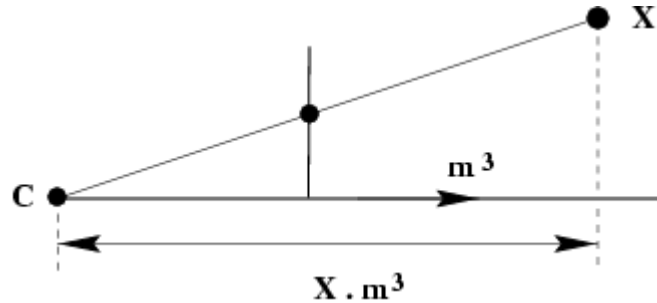
$$\mathbf{X}(\lambda) = \mathbf{P}^+ \mathbf{x} + \lambda \mathbf{C}$$

For finite camera

$$\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathbf{X}(\lambda) = \underbrace{\mu \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{x} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{D}} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -\mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{p}_4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{C}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{M}^{-1} (\mu \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_4) \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Depth of Points



$$w = P^{3T} X = P^{3T} (X - C) = m^{3T} (\tilde{X} - \tilde{C})$$

(PC=0) (dot product)

If $\det M > 0; \|m^3\| = 1$
 then m^3 unit vector in positive direction

$$\text{depth}(X; P) = \frac{\text{sign}(\det M) w}{T \|m^3\|}$$

$$X = (X, Y, Z, T)^T$$

Camera Matrix Decomposition

Finding the camera center

$$PC = 0 \quad (\text{use SVD to find null-space})$$

$$X = \det([p_2, p_3, p_4]) \quad Y = -\det([p_1, p_3, p_4])$$

$$Z = \det([p_1, p_2, p_4]) \quad T = -\det([p_1, p_2, p_3])$$

Finding the camera orientation and
internal parameters

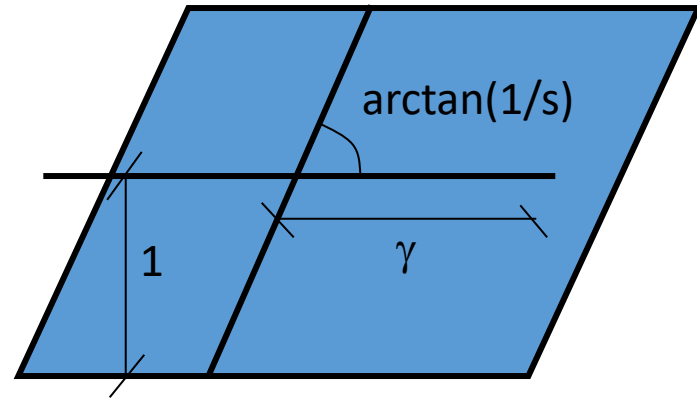
$$M = KR \quad (\text{use RQ decomposition } \sim QR)$$

(if only QR, invert)

$$\square = (\square \begin{array}{|c} \diagdown \\ R \end{array})^{-1} = \begin{array}{|c} \diagdown \\ R \end{array}^{-1} \square^{-1}$$

When is Skew Non-zero?

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & s & p_x \\ & \alpha_x & p_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



for CCD/CMOS, always $s=0$

Image from image, $s \neq 0$ possible
(non coinciding principal axis)

resulting camera: **HP**

Cameras at Infinity

Camera center at infinity

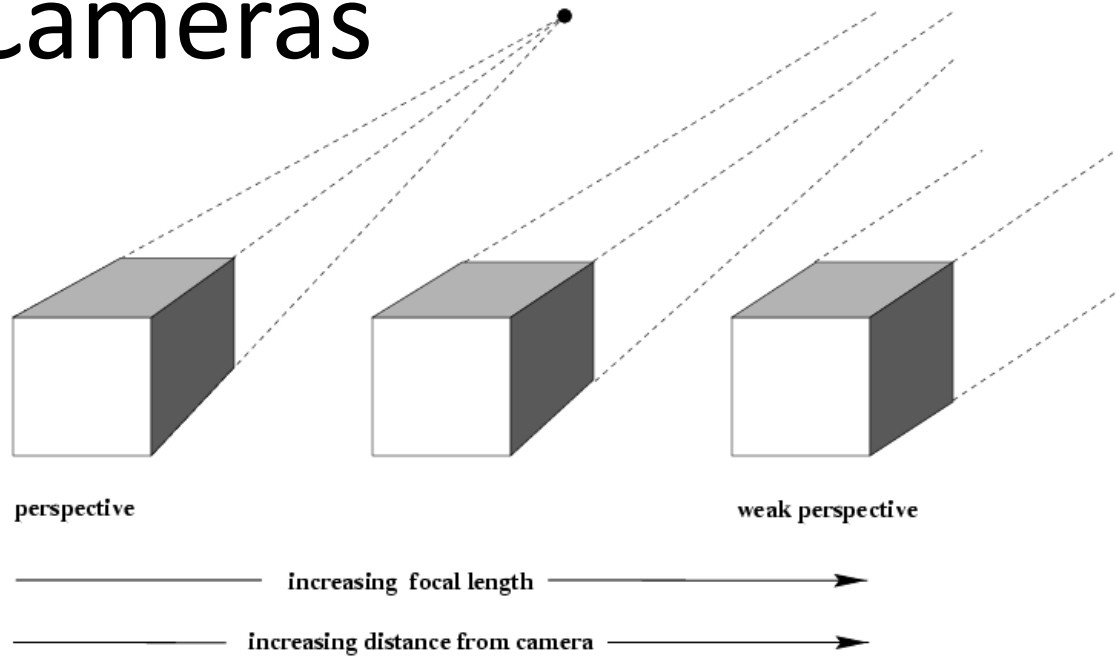
$$P \begin{bmatrix} d \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \det M = 0$$

Affine and non-affine cameras

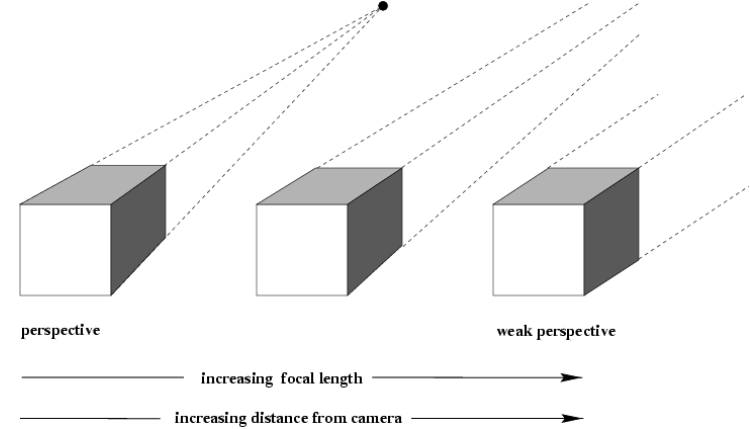
Definition: affine camera has $P^{3T} = (0, 0, 0, 1)$

points at infinity are mapped to points at infinity

Affine Cameras



Affine Cameras



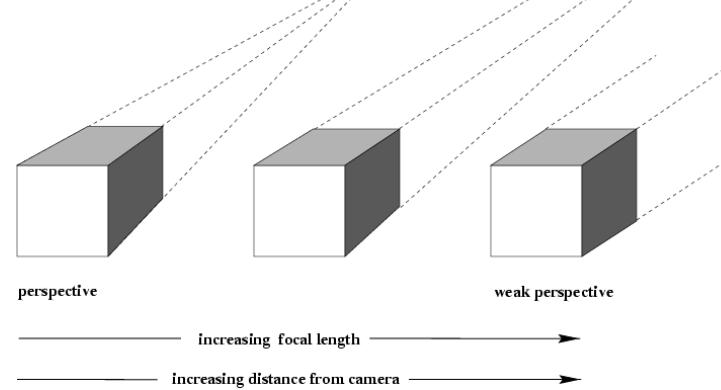
$$P_0 = KR \left[I \mid -\tilde{C} \right] = K \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & -\mathbf{r}^{1T} \tilde{C} \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} & -\mathbf{r}^{2T} \tilde{C} \\ \mathbf{r}^{3T} & -\mathbf{r}^{3T} \tilde{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$d_0 = -\mathbf{r}^{3T} \tilde{C}$$

$$P_t = K \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & -\mathbf{r}^{1T} \left(\tilde{C} - t\mathbf{r}^3 \right) \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} & -\mathbf{r}^{2T} \left(\tilde{C} - t\mathbf{r}^3 \right) \\ \mathbf{r}^{3T} & -\mathbf{r}^{3T} \left(\tilde{C} - t\mathbf{r}^3 \right) \end{bmatrix} = K \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & -\mathbf{r}^{1T} \tilde{C} \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} & -\mathbf{r}^{2T} \tilde{C} \\ \mathbf{r}^{3T} & d_t \end{bmatrix}$$

modifying p_{34} corresponds to moving along principal ray

Affine Cameras



now adjust zoom to compensate



$$P_t = K \begin{bmatrix} d_t / d_0 & & & \\ & d_t / d_0 & & \\ & & & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & -\mathbf{r}^{1T} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} & -\mathbf{r}^{2T} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ \mathbf{r}^{3T} & d_t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{d_t}{d_0} K \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & -\mathbf{r}^{1T} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} & -\mathbf{r}^{2T} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ \mathbf{r}^{3T} & d_0 / d_t & d_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_\infty = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P_t = K \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & -\mathbf{r}^{1T} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} & -\mathbf{r}^{2T} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ 0 & d_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Summary Parallel Projection

$$\mathbf{P}_\infty = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{canonical representation}$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{2 \times 2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{calibration matrix}$$

principal point is not defined

A Hierarchy of Affine Cameras

$$\mathbf{P}_\infty = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Orthographic projection

$$\mathbf{P}_\infty = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & t_1 \\ \mathbf{r}^{1T} & t_2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5\text{dof})$$

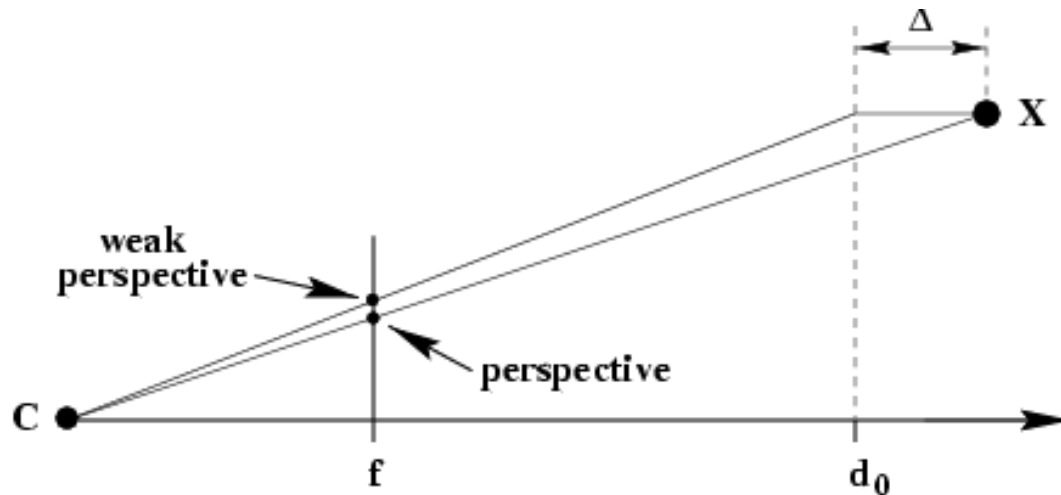
Scaled orthographic projection

$$\mathbf{P}_\infty = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & t_1 \\ \mathbf{r}^{1T} & t_2 \\ 0 & 1/k \end{bmatrix} \quad (6\text{dof})$$

A Hierarchy of Affine Cameras

Weak perspective projection

$$P_{\infty} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & & & \\ & \alpha_y & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & t_1 \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} & t_2 \\ 0 & 1/k \end{bmatrix} \quad (7\text{dof})$$



A Hierarchy of Affine Cameras

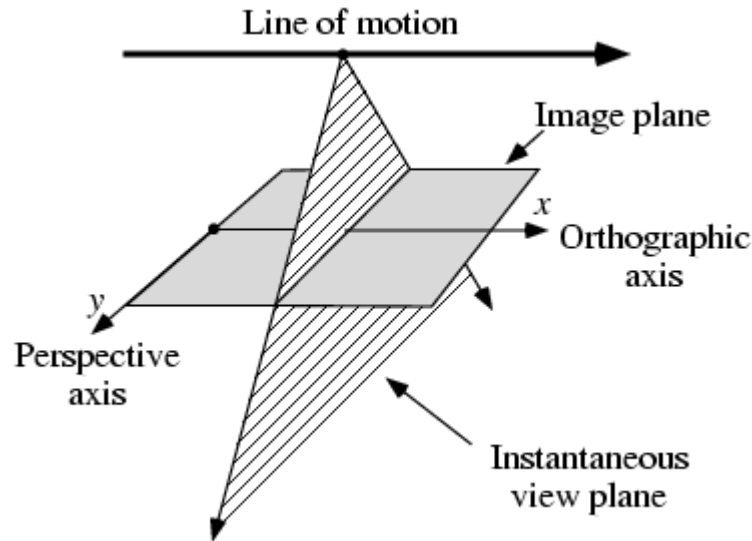
Affine camera (8dof)

$$P_A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & s & & \\ & \alpha_y & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & t_1 \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} & t_2 \\ 0 & 1/k \end{bmatrix} \quad P_A = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & m_{13} & t_1 \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & m_{23} & t_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \times 3 \text{ affine} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \times 4 \text{ affine} \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Affine camera=camera with principal plane coinciding with Π_∞
2. Affine camera maps parallel lines to parallel lines
3. No center of projection, but direction of projection $P_A D=0$ (point on Π_∞)

Pushbroom Cameras



(11 dof)

$$\mathbf{X} = (X, Y, Z, T)^T \quad \mathbf{PX} = (x, y, w)^T \quad (x, y/w)^T$$

$$\tilde{x} = x = \mathbf{P}^1 \mathbf{X} \quad \tilde{y} = y/z = \frac{\mathbf{P}^2 \mathbf{X}}{\mathbf{P}^3 \mathbf{X}}$$

Straight lines are not mapped to straight lines!
(otherwise it would be a projective camera)