

# Lecture 6 Measurement Using a Single Camera

#### (All materials in this lecture are limited to a single camera)

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If I have an image containing a coin, can you tell me the diameter of that coin?







- What is Camera Calibration?
- Modeling for Imaging Pipeline
- General Framework for the Camera Calibration Algorithm
- Initial Rough Estimation of Calibration Parameters
- Nonlinear Least-squares
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- Camera calibration is a necessary step in 3D computer vision in order to extract metric information from 2D images
- It estimates the parameters of a lens and image sensor of the camera; you can use these parameters to correct for lens distortion, measure the size of an object in world units, or determine the location of the camera in the scene
- These tasks are used in applications such as machine vision to detect and measure objects. They are also used in robotics, for navigation systems, and 3-D scene reconstruction





Remove Lens Distortion



Estimate 3-D Structure from Camera Motion



Estimate Depth Using a Stereo Camera



Measure Planar Objects



#### Example: PnP (Perspective N Points) problem

Suppose a camera is calibrated (its intrinsics are known)

From a set of spatial points with known coordinates in the WCS and their pixel positions on the image, the pose of the camera with respect to the WCS can be recovered. This is a simple **visual odometry**.





- Camera parameters include
  - Intrinsics
  - Distortion coefficients
  - Extrinsics

To perform single camera calibration, you need to know:

How to model the imaging process?

What is the general workflow for camera calibration?

How to get the initial estimation of parameters?

How to solve a nonlinear optimization problem?



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• For simplicity, usually we use a pinhole camera model









- To model the image formation process, 4 coordinate systems are required
  - World coordinate system (3D space)
  - Camera coordinate system (3D space)
  - Retinal coordinate system (2D space)
  - Normalized retinal coordinate system (2D space)
  - Pixel coordinate system (2D space)



- From the world CS to the camera CS
  - $\begin{bmatrix} X_w, Y_w, Z_w \end{bmatrix}^T$  is a 3D point represented in the WCS

In the camera CS, it is represented as,





• From the camera CS to the retinal CS

We can use a pin-hole model to represent the mapping from the camera CS to the retinal CS

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_C \\ Y_C \\ Z_C \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f \frac{X_C}{Z_C} \\ f \frac{Y_C}{Z_C} \end{bmatrix}$$



where f is the distance between the retinal plane and the camera origin The retinal plane is perpendicular to the optical axis.

Note: From the view of the camera CS, the coordinates of the point (x, y) on the retinal plane are (x,y,f)



• From the camera CS to the retinal CS









#### • From the retinal CS to the pixel CS

The unit for retinal CS (x-y) is physical unit (e.g., mm, cm) while the unit for pixel CS (u-v) is pixel

Suppose that one pixel represents dx physical units along the x-axis and represents dy physical units along the y-axis, and the image of the optical center is  $(c_x, c_y)$  (pixels)





#### • From the retinal CS to the pixel CS

If the two axis, u and y, of the image plane are not perpendicular,





From Eqs.1, 2, and 4, we can have

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{dx} & \frac{\tan \alpha}{dx} & c_x \\ 0 & \frac{1}{dy} & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{Z_C} \begin{bmatrix} X_C \\ Y_C \\ Z_C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{f}{dx} & \frac{f \tan \alpha}{dx} & c_x \\ 0 & \frac{f}{dy} & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{Z_C} \begin{bmatrix} X_C \\ Y_C \\ Z_C \end{bmatrix} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} f_x & f_x \tan \alpha & c_x \\ 0 & f_y & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{Z_C} \begin{bmatrix} X_C \\ Y_C \\ Z_C \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \frac{1}{Z_C} \begin{bmatrix} f_x & s & c_x \\ 0 & f_y & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4} \begin{bmatrix} X_w \\ Y_w \\ Z_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
Image formation model without considering lens distortions,  
$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{Z_C} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{3 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4} \mathbf{P}_{4 \times 1}$$
(5)  
Note:  $\mathbf{u}$  is the normalized homogeneous coordinates



- Some notes about the intrinsic matrix in practical use
  - In matlab, the skew parameter *s* is modeled
  - In openCV, for ordinary cameras, s is not modeled, meaning that it only considers four intrinsic parameters
  - In openCV, for fisheye cameras, s is modeled (after calibrating the fisheye cameras, you really can get five parameters); However, the related document has a mistake by saying that only four intrinsic parameters are considered

# Note: In this course, we do not consider *s* anymore

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Thus, we have a byproduct which states the relationship between the coordinates on the pixel CS and the coordinates on the normalized retinal CS,





- To model the behavior of lens, we need to consider the distortion
  - Radial distortion occurs when light rays bend more near the edges of a lens than they do at its optical center; the smaller the lens, the greater the distortion



Pincushion distortion Positive radial displacement





Barrel distortion Negative radial displacement



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  - Tangential distortion occurs when the lens and the image plane are not parallel





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  - Both the two types of distortions are modeled on the **normalized retinal plane**

To model radial distortion  $x_{dr} = x_n \left(1 + k_1 r^2 + k_2 r^4 + k_3 r^6\right)$ To model tangential distortion  $x_{dr} = x_n \left(1 + k_1 r^2 + k_2 r^4 + k_3 r^6\right)$ Where  $r^2 = x_n^2 + y_n^2$   $k_1, k_2, k_3$  are the radial distortion coefficients To model tangential distortion  $x_{dt} = x_n + \left(2\rho_1 x_n y_n + \rho_2 \left(r^2 + 2x_n^2\right)\right)$ Where  $r^2 = x_n^2 + y_n^2$  $\rho_1, \rho_2$  are the tangential distortion coefficients

If they both need to be considered,

$$\begin{cases} x_{d} = x_{n} \left( 1 + k_{1}r^{2} + k_{2}r^{4} \right) + 2\rho_{1}x_{n}y_{n} + \rho_{2} \left( r^{2} + 2x_{n}^{2} \right) + x_{n}k_{3}r^{6} \\ y_{d} = y_{n} \left( 1 + k_{1}r^{2} + k_{2}r^{4} \right) + 2\rho_{2}x_{n}y_{n} + \rho_{1} \left( r^{2} + 2y_{n}^{2} \right) + y_{n}k_{3}r^{6} \end{cases}$$
(7)

Note: This step cannot be represented by matrix multiplication



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A typical image collected by a fisheye camera



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 $f_x, f_y, c_x, c_y, k_1, k_2, \rho_1, \rho_2, k_3$  are the intrinsics of the camera (suppose it is an ordinary camera)

**R** (three DOFs) and **t** (three DOFs) are the extrinsics of the camera



- The process to get the intrinsics and extrinsics of the camera is called single camera calibration
  - For most cases of single camera calibration, only the intrinsics are what we really need
- To model radial and tangential distortions, we use 5 parameters; Actually, more complicated models can be used, but the modeling pipeline is the same
  - E.g. the thin prism model, the tilted model used in OpenCV



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(Eq. 8, the imaging pipeline)

• General idea

- If we have a set of known points  $\{\mathbf{P}_i\}_{i=1}^n$  in the WCS and their images  $\{\mathbf{u}_i\}_{i=1}^n$ , using Eq. 8, we could have 2n equations
- If the number of valid constraints (equations) are enough, Eq. 8 could be solved
- All the calibration algorithms follow the above general rules and among them, Zhengyou Zhang's idea<sup>[1]</sup> is the most widely used

[1] Z. Zhang, A flexible new technique for camera calibration, IEEE Trans. Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, 2000



- Zhengyou Zhang's calibration approach
  - A calibration board with a chessboard pattern is needed
  - Several images of the board need to be captured
  - Detect the feature points (cross points) in the images
  - Based on the correspondence pairs (pixel coordinate and world coordinate of a feature point), equation systems can be obtained
  - By solving the equation systems, parameters can be determined



Aug. 1, 1965~, now is the director of Tencent AI Lab



• Zhengyou Zhang's calibration approach



Calibration board

The number of blocks of one side should be even and the number of blocks of the other side should be odd



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A set of Calibration board images (20~30)



Suppose we have M board images and for each image we have N cross points, then the calibration amounts to the following optimization problem,

$$\Theta^* = \arg\min_{\Theta} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \frac{1}{2} \left\| \mathbf{K} \cdot \mathcal{D} \left\{ \frac{1}{Z_{Cij}} \left[ \mathbf{R}_i \ \mathbf{t}_i \right] \mathbf{P}_j \right\} - \mathbf{u}_{ij} \right\|_2^2$$
(9)

where  $\Theta = \{f_x, f_y, c_x, c_y, k_1, k_2, \rho_1, \rho_2, k_3, \{\mathbf{R}_i\}_{i=1}^M, \{\mathbf{t}_i\}_{i=1}^M\}$  denotes the parameters that needs to be optimized

 $\mathbf{P}_{j}$  is the WCS coordinates (determined by the physical calibration board) of the *j*th cross-point, and  $\mathbf{u}_{ii}$  is its projection (pixel coordinate) on *i*th image

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & f_y & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 denotes the intrinsics matrix



- About the rotation
  - In 3D Euclidean space, a rotation has 3 DOFs (three Euler angles)
  - If we use a 3\*3 matrix to denote the rotation, we must add extra constraints (the matrix should be orthonormal and its determinant should be 1) and that will make the optimization complicated
  - Thus, in all modern implementations, a rotation is finally represented by <u>axis-angle</u>



**n** is a unit 3D vector describing an axis of rotation according to the right hand rule;  $\theta$  is the rotation angle **d**=**n** $\theta$ , a 3D vector denoting the rotation is called axis-angle


#### General Framework for the Camera Calibration Algorithm

- About the rotation
  - Axis-angle can be uniquely converted to a rotation matrix and vice versa via <u>Rodrigues</u> formula

From axis-angle  $d=n\theta$  to rotation matrix **R** 

$$\mathbf{R} = \cos\theta \mathbf{I} + (1 - \cos\theta) \mathbf{n} \mathbf{n}^{T} + \sin\theta \mathbf{n}^{\wedge} \quad (10)$$

where I is the identity matrix and

 $\mathbf{n}^{\wedge} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -n_3 & n_2 \\ n_3 & 0 & -n_1 \\ -n_2 & n_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

From rotation matrix **R** to axis-angle  $d=n\theta$ 

$$\theta = \arccos\left(\frac{tr(\mathbf{R}) - 1}{2}\right)$$

 $\mathbf{R}\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{n}$ 

i.e., **n** is the eigenvector of **R** associated with the eigenvalue 1



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where  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{d}_i) = \mathbf{R}_i$  and the parameters that need to be optimized are,  $\Theta = \{f_x, f_y, c_x, c_y, k_1, k_2, \rho_1, \rho_2, k_3, \{\mathbf{d}_i\}_{i=1}^M, \{\mathbf{t}_i\}_{i=1}^M\}$  ( $\mathbf{d}_i$  is the axis-angle representation of  $\mathbf{R}_i$ )

Altogether, we have  $2 \times M \times N$  equations (error terms) and 9 + 6M unknown parameters

Eq. 9 is a nonlinear optimization problem and does not have a closed-form solution. It can be solved by iterative methods. But before that, we need to have a good starting point, i.g. we need to have a rough estimate to  $\Theta$ 



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Distortion coefficients can be safely initialized as zeros

Thus, in initial estimation of other parameters, we use the imaging model without considering distortions,

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{Z_C} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{3 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4} \mathbf{P}_{4 \times 1} \qquad \text{(Eq. 5)}$$

Given a calibration board, **P** is a cross-point on it, thus **P** has the form P =

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**Result 1:** In the camera coordinate system, the direction of the ray pointing from the optical center O to the pixel **u** (in homogeneous form) on the imaging plane is

 $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{u}$ 



Since  $\mathbf{x}_n$  should on the ray  $\overrightarrow{O\mathbf{u}} \implies \overrightarrow{O\mathbf{u}}$  's direction is  $\mathbf{d} = \overline{\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{0}} = \mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{u}$ 

Actually, any  $k\mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{K}^{-1}(k\mathbf{u}) (k \neq 0)$  can represent the direction of **d** 

**u** actually does not need to be normalized homogeneous



**Result 2:** In the camera coordinate system, the angle between two rays, pointing from O to  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2$  ( $\mathbf{x}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2$  are the homogeneous coordinates of two pixels on the imaging plane), respectively, is determined as,

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{d}_1 \cdot \mathbf{d}_2}{\|\mathbf{d}_1\| \|\mathbf{d}_2\|}$$
$$= \frac{\left(\mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_1\right)^T \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_2}{\sqrt{\left(\mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_1\right)^T \left(\mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_1\right)} \sqrt{\left(\mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_2\right)^T \left(\mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_2\right)}}$$
$$= \frac{\mathbf{x}_1^T \left(\mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1}\right) \mathbf{x}_2}{\sqrt{\mathbf{x}_1^T \left(\mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1}\right) \mathbf{x}_1} \sqrt{\mathbf{x}_2^T \left(\mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1}\right) \mathbf{x}_2}}$$





- Vanishing points
  - A feature of perspective projection is that the image of an object that stretches off to infinity can have finite extent. E.g., an infinite scene line is imaged as a line terminating in a vanishing point
  - Parallel world lines, such as railway lines, are imaged as converging lines and their image intersection is the vanishing point for the direction of the railway
  - <u>Vanishing point</u>: the vanishing point of a world line *l* is obtained by intersecting the image plane with a ray parallel to *l* and passing through the camera center
    - Another definition: the vanishing point of a world line l is the image of l's infinity point on the imaging plane



• Vanishing points: illustrations



The points  $X_i$ , i = 1, ..., 4 are equally spaced on the world line, but their spacing on the image line monotonically decreases. In the limit  $X \to \infty$ , the world point is imaged at x = v on the vertical image line, and at x' = v' on the inclined image line. Thus the vanishing point of the world line is obtained by intersecting the image plane with a ray parallel to the world line through the camera centre **O**.



• Vanishing points: illustrations



Two parallel world lines should have the same infinity point; For each line, its vanishing point is the image of its infinity point; so the images of two parallel world lines would converge to the same vanishing point





JingHu High-speed railway: rails will "meet" at the vanishing point



- Properties of vanishing points
  - The vanishing point is on the imaging plane (indicating that it is expressed in pixels)
  - The vanishing point of the world line *l* depends only on its direction
  - A set of parallel world lines have a common vanishing point on the imaging plane
  - The ray Ov (O is the optical center) is parallel to the world lines who share the same vanishing point v

**Result 3:**  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  are two world lines on the same plane and  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  are their vanishing points on the imaging plane, respectively. O is the optical center. Let  $\theta = \overrightarrow{O\mathbf{v}_1 O\mathbf{v}_2}$ 

 $\cos\theta = \frac{\mathbf{v}_1^T (\mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1}) \mathbf{v}_2}{\sqrt{\mathbf{v}_1^T (\mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1}) \mathbf{v}_1} \sqrt{\mathbf{v}_2^T (\mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1}) \mathbf{v}_2}} \quad \text{(Using Result 2)}$ Then,  $\widehat{l_1 l_2} = \theta$  or  $\widehat{l_1 l_2} = \pi - \theta$ 



**Result 4**:  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  are two world lines on the same plane perpendicular to each other, and  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  are their vanishing points on the imaging plane, respectively. We have,

$$\mathbf{v}_1^T \left( \mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \right) \mathbf{v}_2 = 0 \qquad \qquad \text{(Using Result 3)}$$

Note: This is a key result based on which camera calibration schemes roughly estimate camera's intrinsics





On the projective plane defined by the calibration boards, consider the four lines,

- $I_1$ : X-axis, its infinity point is  $\mathbf{P}_1 = (1,0,0)^T$
- $I_2$ : Y-axis, its infinity point is  $\mathbf{P}_2 = (0,1,0)^T$
- $I_3$ : line(s) with the infinity point  $\mathbf{P}_3 = (1,1,0)^T$
- $I_4$ : line(s) with the infinity point  $\mathbf{P}_4 = (1, -1, 0)^T$

It can be verified:  $l_1 \perp l_2$ ,  $l_3 \perp l_4$ 







Based on Result 4, we have

If we have M calibration board images, we can finally have 2M such equations and then we can solve the elements in **K**.

- OpenCV's implementation adopts a simplified strategy
  - It does not estimate  $c_x$  and  $c_y$  at this step; instead, they are simply taken as the width/2 and height/2 of the image

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{v}_{1}^{T} \left( \mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \right) \mathbf{v}_{2} = 0 \\ \mathbf{v}_{3}^{T} \left( \mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \right) \mathbf{v}_{4} = 0 \end{cases} \quad (11) \qquad \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \left( \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{1} \right)^{T} \left( \mathbf{Q}^{-T} \mathbf{Q}^{-1} \right) \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{2} = 0 \\ \left( \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{3} \right)^{T} \left( \mathbf{Q}^{-T} \mathbf{Q}^{-1} \right) \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{4} = 0 \end{cases} \qquad (12)$$

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{1} \triangleq \begin{pmatrix} a_{1} \\ b_{1} \\ c_{1} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{2} \triangleq \begin{pmatrix} a_{2} \\ b_{2} \\ c_{2} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{3} \triangleq \begin{pmatrix} a_{3} \\ b_{3} \\ c_{3} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{4} \triangleq \begin{pmatrix} a_{4} \\ b_{4} \\ c_{4} \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{Q}^{-T} \mathbf{Q}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{f_{x}^{2}} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{f_{y}^{2}} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



• OpenCV's implementation adopts a simplified strategy

(12) becomes 
$$\begin{cases} \frac{a_1a_2}{f_x^2} + \frac{b_1b_2}{f_y^2} = -c_1c_2 \\ \frac{a_3a_4}{f_x^2} + \frac{b_3b_4}{f_y^2} = -c_3c_4 \end{cases} \implies \begin{bmatrix} a_1a_2 & b_1b_2 \\ a_3a_4 & b_3b_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{f_x^2} \\ \frac{1}{f_y^2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -c_1c_2 \\ -c_3c_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

If we have M calibration board images, we can finally have 2M such equations,

$$\mathbf{A}_{2M\times 2}\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{f_x^2} \\ \frac{1}{f_y^2} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{b}_{2M\times 1}$$
  
We can solve  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{f_x^2}, \frac{1}{f_y^2} \end{bmatrix}$  using the least squares technique, and at last  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  are obtained



#### • Initial estimation of extrinsics

We know that the plane of the calibration board and its image on the normalized retinal plane is linked via a homography On the other hand, based on the imaging model,

inked via a homography  

$$c_{j}\begin{bmatrix} x_{nj} \\ y_{nj} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{H}_{3\times3}\begin{bmatrix} X_{j} \\ Y_{j} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Z_{Cj}\begin{bmatrix} x_{nj} \\ y_{nj} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{R} \mathbf{t}] \begin{bmatrix} X_{j} \\ Y_{j} \\ Z_{j} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{r}_{1} \mathbf{r}_{2} \mathbf{r}_{3} \mathbf{t}] \begin{bmatrix} X_{j} \\ Y_{j} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{r}_{1} \mathbf{r}_{2} \mathbf{t}] \begin{bmatrix} X_{j} \\ Y_{j} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{H} \text{ and } [\mathbf{r}_{1} \mathbf{r}_{2} \mathbf{t}] \text{ map } (X_{j}, Y_{j}, 1)^{T} \text{ to the same point on the normalized retinal plane}$$

$$\mathbf{H} \text{ and } [\mathbf{r}_{1} \mathbf{r}_{2} \mathbf{t}] \text{ actually represent the same homography}$$

$$[\mathbf{h}_{1}, \mathbf{h}_{2}, \mathbf{h}_{3}] = \mathbf{H} = \lambda [\mathbf{r}_{1} \mathbf{r}_{2} \mathbf{t}]$$



• Initial estimation of extrinsics

$$\lambda \mathbf{r}_1 = \mathbf{h}_1, \lambda \mathbf{r}_2 = \mathbf{h}_2, \lambda \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{h}_3$$
$$\mathbf{r}_1 = \frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{h}_1, \mathbf{r}_2 = \frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{h}_2, \mathbf{t} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{h}_3$$
$$-1 \rightarrow |2| - ||\mathbf{h}|| - ||\mathbf{h}||$$

Since  $\|\mathbf{r}_1\| = \|\mathbf{r}_2\| = 1 \implies |\lambda| = \|\mathbf{h}_1\| = \|\mathbf{h}_2\|$ 

Note: In OpenCV,  $\lambda$  is estimated as  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2} \left( \| \mathbf{h}_1 \| + \| \mathbf{h}_2 \| \right)$ 

Since  $\mathbf{r}_3 \perp \mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_3 \perp \mathbf{r}_2, \|\mathbf{r}_3\| = 1, \det([\mathbf{r}_1 \ \mathbf{r}_2 \ \mathbf{r}_3]) = 1 \implies \mathbf{r}_3 = \mathbf{r}_1 \times \mathbf{r}_2$ 

Then,  $\mathbf{r}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{r}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{r}_3$ , and  $\mathbf{t}$  are all initialized

Finally,  $\mathbf{R} = [\mathbf{r}_1 \ \mathbf{r}_2 \ \mathbf{r}_3]$  is converted to its axis-angle representation

Note: Initial estimation of extrinsics needs to be performed to every calibration board image



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• For nonlinear least-square solutions, please refer to Lecture 5









Denote the 3D point corresponding to  $\mathbf{p}_{ij}$  in the WCS (determined by the physical calibration board) by  $\mathbf{P} = [X, Y, Z]^T$ 

Denote **P**'s position w.r.t the camera coordinate system by  $\mathbf{P}_C = [X_C, Y_C, Z_C]^T$ 

Denote **P**'s ideal projection on the normalized retinal plane by  $\mathbf{p}_n = [x_n, y_n]^T$ 

Denote **P**'s distorted projection on the normalized retinal plane by  $\mathbf{p}_d = [x_d, y_d]^T$ 

Let's derive the above-mentioned derivatives one by one.....



According to Eq. 6 (from the projection on the normalized retinal plane to the final pixel position), we

have

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & f_y & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_d \\ y_d \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \implies \begin{cases} u = f_x x_d + c_x \\ v = f_y y_d + c_y \end{cases}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial f_x} \\ \frac{\partial f_x}{\partial f_x} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_d \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{df_y} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial f_y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial f_y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ y_d \end{bmatrix}, \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dc_x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial c_x} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial c_x} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dc_y} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial c_y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial c_y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We also have a byproduct which will be used later,

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{d\mathbf{p}_{d}^{T}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_{d}} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y_{d}} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x_{d}} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y_{d}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_{x} & 0 \\ 0 & f_{y} \end{bmatrix}$$



According to Eq. 7 and the notation  $\mathbf{k} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & k_2 & \rho_1 & \rho_2 & k_3 \end{bmatrix}^T$  we have

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}_{d}}{d\mathbf{k}^{T}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x_{d}}{\partial k_{1}} & \frac{\partial x_{d}}{\partial k_{2}} & \frac{\partial x_{d}}{\partial \rho_{1}} & \frac{\partial x_{d}}{\partial \rho_{2}} & \frac{\partial x_{d}}{\partial k_{3}} \\ \frac{\partial y_{d}}{\partial k_{1}} & \frac{\partial y_{d}}{\partial k_{2}} & \frac{\partial y_{d}}{\partial \rho_{1}} & \frac{\partial y_{d}}{\partial \rho_{2}} & \frac{\partial y_{d}}{\partial k_{3}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{n}r^{2} & x_{n}r^{4} & 2x_{n}y_{n} & r^{2} + 2x_{n}^{2} & x_{n}r^{6} \\ y_{n}r^{2} & y_{n}r^{4} & r^{2} + 2y_{n}^{2} & 2x_{n}y_{n} & y_{n}r^{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then we have,

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{d\mathbf{k}^{T}} = \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{d\mathbf{p}_{d}^{T}} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{p}_{d}}{d\mathbf{k}^{T}} = \begin{bmatrix} f_{x}x_{n}r^{2} & f_{x}x_{n}r^{4} & 2f_{x}x_{n}y_{n} & f_{x}(r^{2}+2x_{n}^{2}) & f_{x}x_{n}r^{6} \\ f_{y}y_{n}r^{2} & f_{y}y_{n}r^{4} & f_{y}(r^{2}+2y_{n}^{2}) & 2f_{y}x_{n}y_{n} & f_{y}y_{n}r^{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

Also based on Eq. 7, we can have

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}_{d}}{d\mathbf{p}_{n}^{T}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x_{d}}{\partial x_{n}} & \frac{\partial x_{d}}{\partial y_{n}} \\ \frac{\partial y_{d}}{\partial x_{n}} & \frac{\partial y_{d}}{\partial y_{n}} \end{bmatrix} = [\dots]$$

Its concrete form is a little complicated, but not difficult





According to Eq. 3, we have  

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}_{n}}{d\mathbf{r}_{c}^{T}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x_{n}}{\partial X_{c}} \frac{\partial x_{n}}{\partial Y_{c}} \frac{\partial x_{n}}{\partial Z_{c}} \\ \frac{\partial y_{n}}{\partial X_{c}} \frac{\partial y_{n}}{\partial Y_{c}} \frac{\partial y_{n}}{\partial Z_{c}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{Z_{c}} 0 & \frac{-X_{c}}{Z_{c}^{2}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{Z_{c}} - \frac{Y_{c}}{Z_{c}^{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$
According to Eq. 1, we have  

$$\mathbf{P}_{c} = \begin{bmatrix} X_{c} \\ Y_{c} \\ Z_{c} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{11}X + R_{12}Y + R_{13}Z + t_{1} \\ R_{21}X + R_{22}Y + R_{23}Z + t_{2} \end{bmatrix} \implies d\mathbf{P}_{c} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial \mathbf{r}^{T}} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial \mathbf{r}^{T}} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial \mathbf{r}^{2}} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial R_{13}} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial R_{12}} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial R_{23}} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial R_{23}} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial R_{23}} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial R_{33}} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial R_{33}} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial R_{32}} \frac{\partial Y_{c}}{\partial R_{33}} \frac{\partial Z_{c}}{\partial R_{33}} \frac{\partial Z_{c}}$$



According to Rodrigues formula (Eq. 10), we can derive the form of

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{d\mathbf{d}^{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{9\times3}$$
Assignment!

Then, we can compute,

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{d\mathbf{d}^{T}} = \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{d\mathbf{p}_{d}^{T}} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{p}_{d}}{d\mathbf{p}_{n}^{T}} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{p}_{n}}{d\mathbf{P}_{C}^{T}} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{P}_{C}}{d\mathbf{r}^{T}} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{d\mathbf{d}^{T}}$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{d\mathbf{t}^{T}} = \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{d\mathbf{p}_{d}^{T}} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{p}_{d}}{d\mathbf{p}_{n}^{T}} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{p}_{n}}{d\mathbf{P}_{C}^{T}} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{P}_{C}}{d\mathbf{t}^{T}}$$



With the calibrated camera, many amazing applications can be continuously performed....

One naive example, the distorted image can be undistorted





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- Our task is to measure the geometric properties of objects on a plane (e.g., conveyor belt)
- Such a problem can be solved if we have its bird'seye-view image; bird's-eye-view is easy for object detection and measurement



- Three coordinate systems are required
  - Bird's-eye-view image coordinate system
  - World coordinate system
  - Undistorted image coordinate system
  - Original fisheye image





#### • Basic idea for bird's-eye-view generation

Suppose that the transformation matrix from bird's-eye-view to WCS is  $P_{B \rightarrow W}$ , the transformation matrix from WCS to the undistorted image is  $P_{W \rightarrow I}$ , and the camera intrinsics are known

Then, given a position  $(x_B, y_B, 1)^T$  on bird's-eye-view, we can get its corresponding position in the original fisheye image as

$$\mathbf{x}_{F} = K \mathcal{D} \left( K^{-1} P_{W \to I} P_{B \to W} \begin{pmatrix} x_{B} \\ y_{B} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

Then, the intensity of the pixel  $(x_B, y_B, 1)^T$  can be determined using some interpolation technique based on the neighborhood around  $\mathbf{x}_F$  on the fisheye image



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The key problem is how to obtain  $P_{B \to W}$  and  $P_{W \to I}$ ?



• Determine  $P_{B \rightarrow W}$ 



Note: It is valid only when you think the origin of the world CS is at the center of the bird's-eye-view image


• Determine  $P_{B \rightarrow W}$ 

For a point  $(x_B, y_B, 1)^T$  on bird's-eye-view, the corresponding point on the world coordinate system is,

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_W \\ y_W \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{H}{M} & 0 & -\frac{HN}{2M} \\ 0 & -\frac{H}{M} & \frac{H}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_B \\ y_B \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \equiv P_{B \to W} \begin{pmatrix} x_B \\ y_B \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Please verify!!



• Determine  $P_{W \to I}$ 

The physical plane (in WCS) and the undistorted image plane can be linked via a homography matrix  $P_{W \rightarrow I}$ 

$$\mathbf{x}_I = P_{W \to I} \mathbf{x}_W$$

If we know a set of correspondence pairs  $\{\mathbf{x}_{Ii}, \mathbf{x}_{Wi}\}_{i=1}^{N}$ ,

 $P_{W \rightarrow I}$  can be estimated using the least-square method



• Determine  $P_{W \rightarrow I}$ 

A set of point correspondence pairs; for each pair, we know its coordinate on the undistorted image plane and its coordinate in the WCS





When  $P_{B \to W}$  and  $P_{W \to I}$  are known, the bird's-eye-view can be generated via,

$$\mathbf{x}_{F} = K\mathcal{D}\left(K^{-1}P_{W \to I}P_{B \to W}\begin{pmatrix}x_{B}\\y_{B}\\1\end{pmatrix}\right)$$



# **Bird-view Generation**

#### Another example



Original fish-eye image

Undistorted image



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Original fish-eye image

Bird's-eye-view





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