Single-view geometry



Odilon Redon, Cyclops, 1914

Geometric vision

- Goal: Recovery of 3D structure
 - What cues in the image allow us to do this?



Shading



Merle Norman Cosmetics, Los Angeles

Focus



From The Art of Photography, Canon

Perspective



Motion



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Recall: Pinhole camera model



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



Pinhole camera model



Camera coordinate system



- **Principal axis:** line from the camera center perpendicular to the image plane
- Normalized (camera) coordinate system: camera center is at the origin and the principal axis is the z-axis
- **Principal point (p):** point where principal axis intersects the image plane (origin of normalized coordinate system)

Principal point offset



principal point:
$$(p_x, p_y)$$

- Camera coordinate system: origin is at the prinicipal point
- Image coordinate system: origin is in the corner

Principal point offset



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

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

Principal point offset



Pixel coordinates



 m_x pixels per meter in horizontal direction, m_y pixels per meter in vertical direction

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} m_x & & \\ & m_y & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x \\ & f & p_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & \beta_x \\ & \alpha_y & \beta_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
pixels/m m pixels

Camera rotation and translation



Camera rotation and translation



Note: C is the null space of the camera projection matrix (PC=0)

Camera parameters

- Intrinsic parameters
 - Principal point coordinates
 - Focal length
 - Pixel magnification factors
 - Skew (non-rectangular pixels)
 - Radial distortion



radial distortion





linear image





Camera parameters

Intrinsic parameters

- Principal point coordinates
- Focal length
- Pixel magnification factors
- Skew (non-rectangular pixels)
- Radial distortion
- Extrinsic parameters
 - Rotation and translation relative to world coordinate system

 Given n points with known 3D coordinates X_i and known image projections x_i, estimate the camera parameters







Two linearly independent equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0^{T} & X_{1}^{T} & -y_{1}X_{1}^{T} \\ X_{1}^{T} & 0^{T} & -x_{1}X_{1}^{T} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 0^{T} & X_{n}^{T} & -y_{n}X_{n}^{T} \\ X_{n}^{T} & 0^{T} & -x_{n}X_{n}^{T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P_{1} \\ P_{2} \\ P_{3} \end{pmatrix} = 0 \qquad Ap = 0$$

- P has 11 degrees of freedom (12 parameters, but scale is arbitrary)
- One 2D/3D correspondence gives us two linearly independent equations
- Homogeneous least squares
- 6 correspondences needed for a minimal solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0^{T} & X_{1}^{T} & -y_{1}X_{1}^{T} \\ X_{1}^{T} & 0^{T} & -x_{1}X_{1}^{T} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 0^{T} & X_{n}^{T} & -y_{n}X_{n}^{T} \\ X_{n}^{T} & 0^{T} & -x_{n}X_{n}^{T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_{1} \\ P_{2} \\ P_{3} \end{bmatrix} = 0 \qquad Ap = 0$$

 Note: for coplanar points that satisfy Π^TX=0, we will get degenerate solutions (Π,0,0), (0,Π,0), or (0,0,Π)

- Once we've recovered the numerical form of the camera matrix, we still have to figure out the intrinsic and extrinsic parameters
- This is a matrix decomposition problem, not an estimation problem (see F&P sec. 3.2, 3.3)

Two-view geometry

- Scene geometry (structure): Given projections of the same 3D point in two or more images, how do we compute the 3D coordinates of that point?
- Correspondence (stereo matching): Given a point in just one image, how does it constrain the position of the corresponding point in a second image?
- **Camera geometry (motion):** Given a set of corresponding points in two images, what are the cameras for the two views?

Triangulation

 Given projections of a 3D point in two or more images (with known camera matrices), find the coordinates of the point



Triangulation

 We want to intersect the two visual rays corresponding to x₁ and x₂, but because of noise and numerical errors, they don't meet exactly



Triangulation: Geometric approach

 Find shortest segment connecting the two viewing rays and let X be the midpoint of that segment



Triangulation: Linear approach

$$\lambda_{1} x_{1} = P_{1} X \qquad x_{1} \times P_{1} X = 0 \qquad [x_{1\times}] P_{1} X = 0$$
$$\lambda_{2} x_{2} = P_{2} X \qquad x_{2} \times P_{2} X = 0 \qquad [x_{2\times}] P_{2} X = 0$$

Cross product as matrix multiplication:

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a_z & a_y \\ a_z & 0 & -a_x \\ -a_y & a_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_x \\ b_y \\ b_z \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{a}_{\times}]\mathbf{b}$$

Triangulation: Linear approach

$$\lambda_1 \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{X} \qquad \mathbf{x}_1 \times \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0} \qquad [\mathbf{x}_{1\times}] \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$$
$$\lambda_2 \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{X} \qquad \mathbf{x}_2 \times \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0} \qquad [\mathbf{x}_{2\times}] \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

Two independent equations each in terms of three unknown entries of X

Triangulation: Nonlinear approach

Find X that minimizes

$$d^{2}(x_{1}, P_{1}X) + d^{2}(x_{2}, P_{2}X)$$

