

N-View Methods

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Outline

- 1 Structure from Motion (SFM) with Uncalibrated Cameras
 - Non Euclidean SFM Batch Algorithms
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 - Orthographic Factorization
 - Perspective Factorization
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Structure From Motion (SFM) with Uncalibrated Cameras

Requirements A set of pictures taken from one camera in motion or multiple cameras.

Goal Compute from the pictures:

- a (Euclidean) 3D model of the scene structure.
- the camera parameters (intrinsic and extrinsic).

Assumptions

- The scene is rigid.
- Some of the camera intrinsic parameters are known or constant.



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Highlights

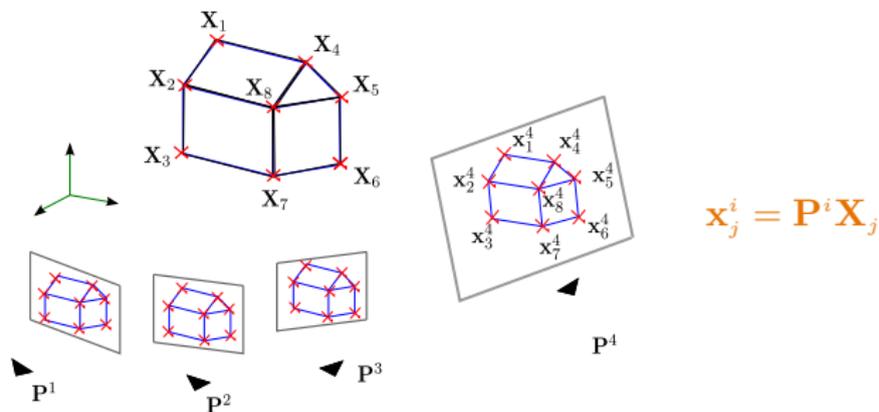
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Why Using Uncalibrated Cameras?

- Calibrated approaches require (at least) one image of a calibration object (i.e. of which the Euclidean 3D model is known).
- Uncalibrated approaches:
 - Do not require a special material, neither user interaction.
 - Impose only mild assumptions on the imaging conditions (thus applicable to images from unknown sources, e.g. internet).
 - Deal with on-line calibration (useful when camera intrinsic parameters vary, due to e.g. zooming).
 - Provide flexible and efficient methods for camera self-calibration.

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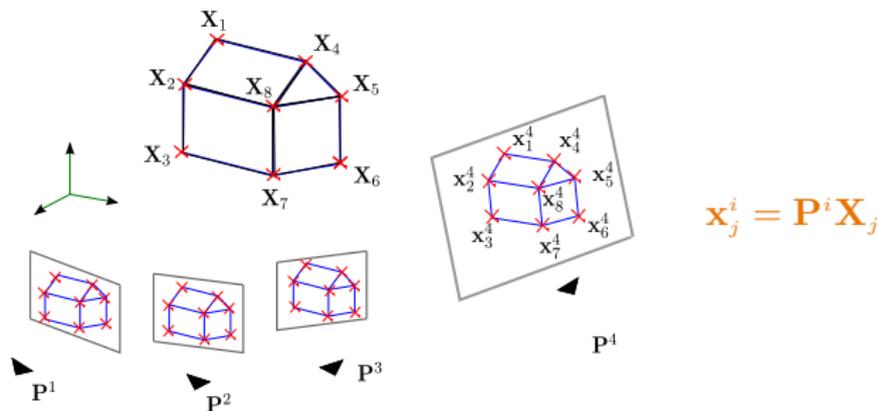


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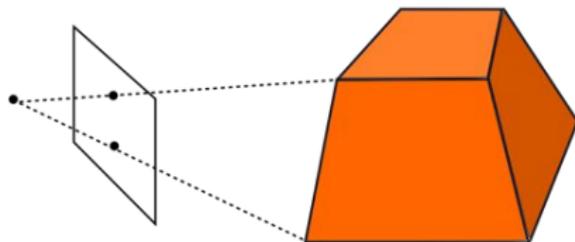
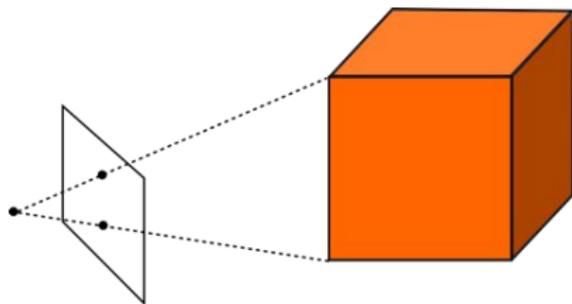
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Projective Reconstruction





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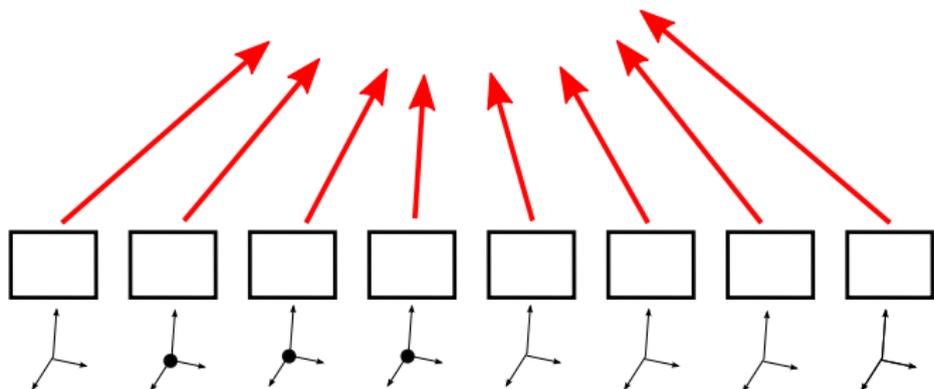
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- ④ Self-Calibration (Optional).
 - Estimation of the intrinsic parameters of the camera using only the information available in the images taken by that camera.

Batch Algorithms



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- Uniform and simultaneous use of all data.
- Two type of approaches:

Factorization

- Simple and fast.
- All points need to be seen in all images.
- measurements (points) need to be valid.
- Orthographic [Tomasi, 1992].
- Affine [Kahl and Heyden, 1998].
- Projective [Sturm, 1996], iterative [Triggs, 1996; Heyden, 1997].

Closure constraints Handles unseen and erroneous points, but suffers from algebraic approximation, e.g. [Kahl and Heyden, 1998].



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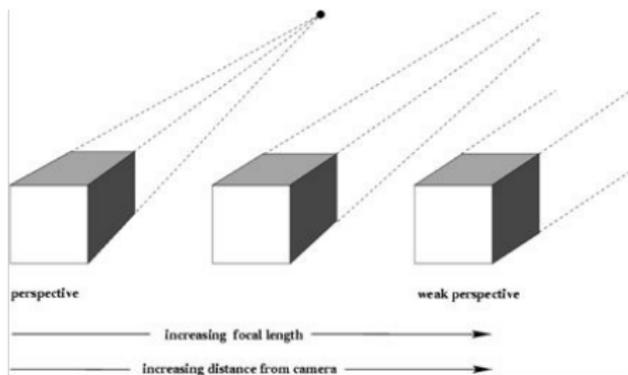
Assumptions:

- All points are seen in all views.
- There are no blunders.
- Affine camera model (uncalibrated) 8 d.o.f.:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x_{j;1}^i \\ x_{j;2}^i \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x}_j^i} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} P_{11}^i & P_{12}^i & P_{13}^i \\ P_{21}^i & P_{22}^i & P_{23}^i \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}^i} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} X_{j;1} \\ X_{j;2} \\ X_{j;3} \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{X}_j} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} t_1^i \\ t_2^i \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{t}^i}$$

- \mathbf{x}_j^i and \mathbf{X}_j in inhomogeneous coordinates.

Affine Factorization: Camera model



Affine Factorization: Goal

Find a reconstruction of the scene that minimizes the geometric error in the image coordinate measurements. That is, estimate:

- Cameras $\{\mathbf{P}^i, \mathbf{t}^i\}$
- 3D points $\{\mathbf{X}_j\}$

such that the distance between the estimated image points $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_j^i = \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{X}_j + \mathbf{t}^i$ and measured image points \mathbf{x}_j^i is minimized:

$$\min_{\mathbf{P}^i, \mathbf{t}^i, \mathbf{X}_j} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \|\mathbf{x}_j^i - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_j^i\|^2$$

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Affine Factorization: Algorithm Overview

- 1 Compute the translations \mathbf{t}^i .
- 2 Center the data.
- 3 Construct the $2m \times n$ measurement matrix \mathbf{M} (a single matrix equation).
- 4 Factorize \mathbf{M} , i.e. find the closest rank 3 matrix which is closest to \mathbf{M} in Frobenious norm (SVD of \mathbf{M} truncated to rank 3).

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$$\mathbf{x}_n^1 = \mathbf{P}^1 \mathbf{X}_n + \mathbf{t}^1$$

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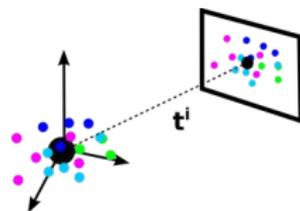
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- Affine cameras map the centroid of a set of 3D points to the centroid of their projection. Set the (arbitrary) origin of the 3D coordinate frame to the centroid of the unknown 3D points

~~$$\left(\frac{1}{n} \mathbf{P}^a \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{X}_j \right):$$~~

$$\mathbf{t}^i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{x}_j^i$$

2. Center Image Points

- Transform the image measurements by subtracting the centroid of the points in each image.

$$\mathbf{x}_j^i = \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{X}_j + \mathbf{t}^i \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} \mathbf{m}_j^i &\triangleq \mathbf{x}_j^i - \mathbf{t}^i \\ &= (\mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{X}_j + \mathbf{t}^i) - \mathbf{t}^i \\ &= \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{X}_j \end{aligned}$$

- The resultant centered projection model is bilinear.
- Removing the translation, simplifies the problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{P}^i, \mathbf{X}_j} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \|\mathbf{m}_j^i - (\mathbf{P}_j^i \mathbf{X}_j)\|^2$$

- All points must be seen in all cameras. (why?)

3. A Single Matrix Equation

- Gather the centered projections for image 1 in a single matrix equation:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1^1 & \mathbf{m}_2^1 & \dots & \mathbf{m}_n^1 \end{pmatrix}}_{2 \times n} = \underbrace{\mathbf{P}^1}_{2 \times 3} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}_1 & \mathbf{X}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{X}_n \end{pmatrix}}_{3 \times n}$$

- Further, gather the equations for all images

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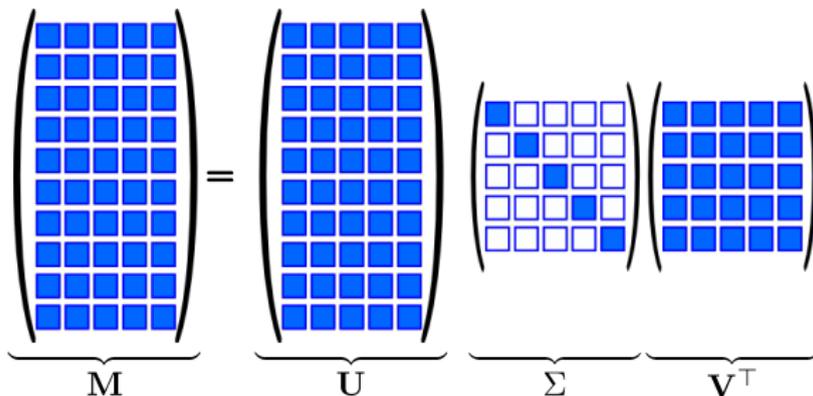
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- In the absence of noise, the measurement matrix has rank 3 at most.

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- In the presence of noise $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{S}$ is not exactly verified.
- We look for the matrix $\hat{\mathbf{M}}$ that is the closest possible to \mathbf{M} in Frobenius norm sense.

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{M} - \hat{\mathbf{M}}\|_F^2 &= \sum_{ij} (M_{ij} - \hat{M}_{ij})^2 \\ &= \sum_{ij} \|(\mathbf{m}_j^i - \hat{\mathbf{m}}_j^i)\|^2 \\ &= \sum_{ij} \|(\mathbf{m}_j^i - \hat{\mathbf{P}}^i \hat{\mathbf{X}}_j)\|^2\end{aligned}$$

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- The measurement matrix is factorized with SVD as $M = U\Sigma V^T$.

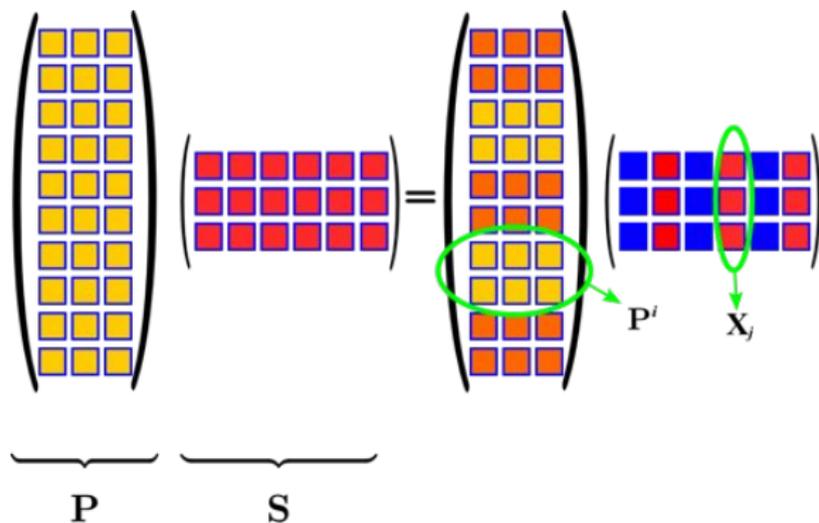
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- Closest rank-3 approximation \hat{M} yields Maximum Likelihood Estimate (assumption of isotropic mean-zero Gaussian noise).
- Affine ambiguity.

Identify the estimated parameters



Summary of the Algorithm

Input: n points in m images \mathbf{x}_j^i .

Outputs: 3D affine reconstruction defined by 3D points \mathbf{X}_j^i and cameras $(\mathbf{P}^i, \mathbf{t}^i)$.

- 1 Compute the **translation** vectors $\mathbf{t}^i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{x}_j^i$.
- 2 **Center** the image points $\mathbf{m}_j^i = \mathbf{x}_j^i - \mathbf{t}^i$.
- 3 Form and factorize the centered **measurement matrix** using SVD:
 $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^\top$.
- 4 Extract the joint **projection matrix** $\hat{\mathbf{P}}$ as the first 3 columns of \mathbf{U} .
- 5 Extract the joint **structure matrix** $\hat{\mathbf{S}}$ as the first 3 rows of \mathbf{V}^\top .
- 6 Extract the individual projection matrices \mathbf{P}^i from $\hat{\mathbf{P}}$ and the individual 3D points \mathbf{X}_j from $\hat{\mathbf{S}}$.

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[Tomasi Kanade, 1992] method first estimates the affine structure and then **upgrades it to Euclidean**. It operates on a batch of at least 3 frames with known correspondences (i.e., with tracked features).

- Factorize \mathbf{M} through singular value decomposition:

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$$

- The **affine** reconstruction can be computed as:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{U}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{S}} = \mathbf{V}^T$$

- Upgrade to a metric reconstruction, by finding an invertible matrix \mathbf{A} , such that:

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}} = \tilde{\mathbf{P}}\mathbf{A}^{-1}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{S}} = \mathbf{A}\tilde{\mathbf{S}}$$

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Remember that
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Remove the translation as in the affine case. Then, the orthographic projection matrix is characterized by two orthonormal vectors \mathbf{r}_1^i and \mathbf{r}_2^i :

$$\begin{array}{l} \hat{\mathbf{p}}_1^{i\top} \hat{\mathbf{p}}_1^i = 1 \\ \hat{\mathbf{p}}_2^{i\top} \hat{\mathbf{p}}_2^i = 1 \\ \hat{\mathbf{p}}_1^{i\top} \hat{\mathbf{p}}_2^i = 0 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_1^{i\top} \quad \mathbf{C} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_1^i = 1 \\ \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_2^{i\top} \quad \mathbf{C} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_2^i = 1 \\ \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_1^{i\top} \quad \mathbf{C} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_2^i = 0 \end{array}$$

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 \end{array}$$

- The orthographic constraints lead to **3** linear equations on symmetric matrix **C** (6DoF)
- **A** can be obtained from **C** through Cholesky factorization and inversion.
 - The Cholesky factorization decomposes of a symmetric, positive-definite matrix into the product of a lower triangular matrix and its conjugate transpose $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^\top$
 - $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}^{-1}$

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Perspective Factorization

According to perspective camera model (after centering the points):

$$\lambda_j^i \mathbf{m}_j^i = \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{X}_j = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_1^{i\top} \\ \mathbf{p}_2^{i\top} \\ \mathbf{p}_3^{i\top} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4} \mathbf{X}_j$$

- Each \mathbf{P}^i is 3×4
- \mathbf{X}_j is a (4×1) homogenous vector.
- $\mathbf{m}_j^i = \begin{bmatrix} x_j^i \\ y_j^i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, with x_j^i, y_j^i the centered image coordinates.
- λ_j^i is a scale factor for each point: the “projective depth”.

Perspective Factorization

$$\lambda_j^i \mathbf{m}_j^i = \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{X}_j = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1^{iT} \\ \mathbf{P}_2^{iT} \\ \mathbf{P}_3^{iT} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_j$$

- The single matrix equation becomes:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^1 \mathbf{m}_1^1 & \lambda_2^1 \mathbf{m}_2^1 & \dots & \lambda_n^1 \mathbf{m}_n^1 \\ \lambda_1^2 \mathbf{m}_1^2 & \lambda_2^2 \mathbf{m}_2^2 & \dots & \lambda_n^2 \mathbf{m}_n^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \lambda_1^m \mathbf{m}_1^m & \lambda_2^m \mathbf{m}_2^m & \dots & \lambda_n^m \mathbf{m}_n^m \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{M}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}^1 \\ \mathbf{P}^2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{P}^m \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}} \underbrace{\left(\mathbf{X}_1 \quad \mathbf{X}_2 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{X}_n \right)}_{\mathbf{S}}$$

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Can we still use factorization?

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- Collect measurements in one image $\mathbf{M}^i = [\mathbf{m}_1^i \quad \mathbf{m}_2^i \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{m}_n^i]$
- Collect projective depths per camera $\Lambda^i = \text{diag}(\lambda_1^i, \lambda_2^i, \dots, \lambda_n^i)$.

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The closer $\lambda_j^i = 1$, the error being minimized represents better the geometric distance. Heuristic:

 - multiply each row of \mathbf{P}^i by an α^i so that it has unit norm.
 - Do the same with β_j and the columns of \mathbf{X}_j

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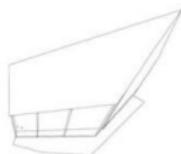
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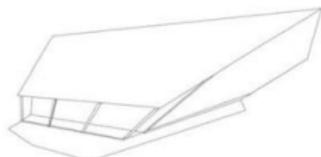
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 - 7 GOTO 3.
- In general the algorithm minimizes a proximity measure $\text{Prox}(\Lambda, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{S}) = \sigma_5$.
- Convergence is not guaranteed.
- Note that structure and motion are recovered up to an arbitrary projective transformation.

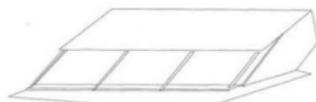
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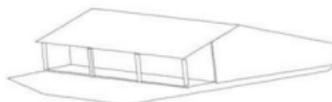
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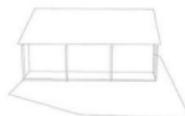
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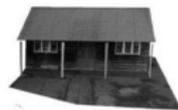
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- The affine and perspective reconstructions may be upgraded to a metric reconstruction by:
 - Supplying metric information on the scene.
 - Using auto-calibration methods.
 - A combination of the two.
 - Hartley Zisserman - Chap 10.

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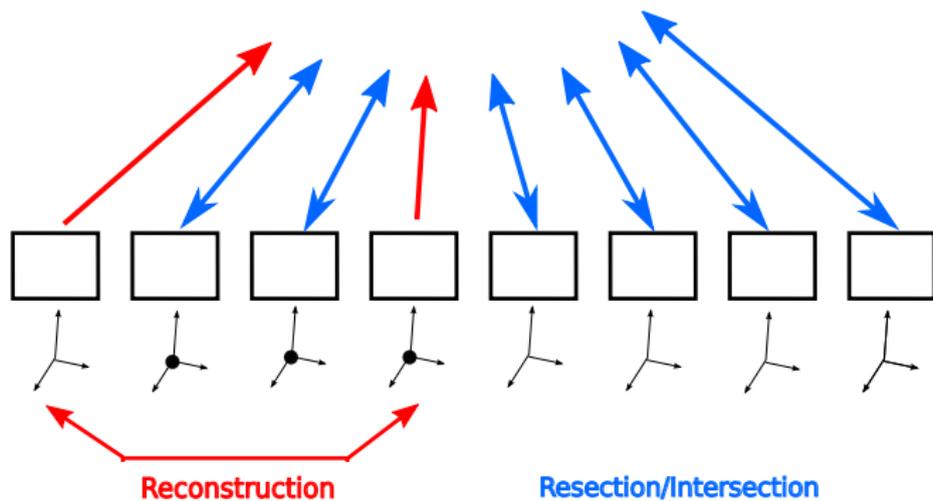
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Sequential Algorithms

- Register each view in turn.
- Pick a “small” number of views and compute a partial 3D model using e.g. factorization.
- Repeat until the 3D model is complete.
 - Pick an unregistered view and apply resection, i.e. compute the camera matrix. The view must share sufficiently many points with the partial 3D model.
 - Apply triangulation (intersection) to reconstruct new 3D features appearing in the latest registered view.

Sequential Algorithms

- Pros**
- Robustness to blunders is easily incorporated
 - On-line processing
- Cons**
- The error in the initial partial 3D model conditions the final complete 3D model, i.e. it may make the 3D model drift away from the optimal one.
- Note:** If computational cost is not an important criteria, Bundle Adjustment is launched in the inner loop to prevent drifting.

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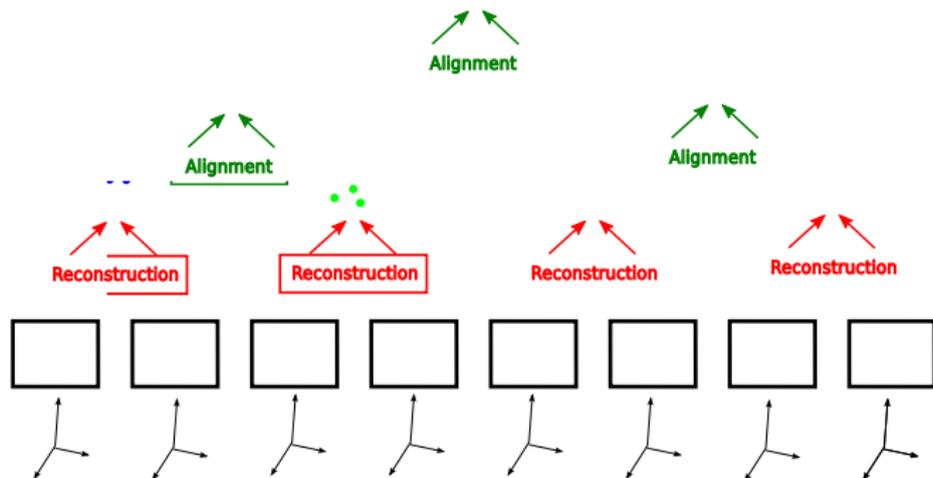
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Hierarchical Algorithms

- **Split** the image sequence into subsequences [Fitzgibbon et al., 1998 ; Nistr 2000].
- **Reconstruct** a partial 3D model from each subsequence using e.g. factorization.
- Hierarchically **merge** the partial 3D models (by computing a 3D homography, e.g. [Csurka et al., 1999]).
- This approach distributes the error over the entire sequence and can be easily made **robust**.

Extensions

- Extension to **paraperspective** cameras [Poelman and Kanade, 1993].
- Other **features** (lines and conics) [Kahl and Heyden, 1998 ; Quan, 1997].
- Extension to **projective** cameras [Sturm and Triggs, 1996]. The projective depths of each image point are recovered before factorization and the algorithm does not longer minimize the reprojection error.
- Missing data [Jacobs, 1997 ; Martinec and Pajdla, 2002].
- Multibody [Costeira and Kanade, 1995].
- Deformable [Bregler et al., 2000].

Recall: SFM Method Overview

- 1 Initialization: Compute a “good enough” sub-optimal estimate.
 - Batch.
 - Sequential.
 - Hierarchical algorithms.
- 2 **Bundle Adjustment** (Optional):
 - Non-linear minimization of the reprojection error (discrepancy between measured and predicted feature coordinates).
- 3 Self-Calibration.

Problem Statement

- 3D Points \mathbf{X}_j , with
 - with $j = \{1, \dots, n\}$
 - n points.
- viewed by a set of cameras \mathbf{P}^i , with
 - $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$
 - m views.

Problem: Given the projections \mathbf{x}_j^i of the n points on the m cameras, find:

- The set of camera matrices $\hat{\mathbf{P}}^i$
- and the set of points $\hat{\mathbf{X}}_j$

such that:

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}}^i \hat{\mathbf{X}}_j = \mathbf{x}_j^i$$

Noisy Measurements

- If the image measurements are noisy, then the projection equation is not satisfied exactly.

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}}^i \hat{\mathbf{X}}_j \neq \mathbf{x}_j^i$$

- Use Maximum Likelihood estimation assuming noise is Gaussian.

Maximum Likelihood

- Estimate projection matrices $\hat{\mathbf{P}}^i$ and 3D points $\hat{\mathbf{X}}_j$ which project **exactly** to corrected image points $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_j^i$
- while minimizing the distance between the estimated $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_j^i$ and the measured \mathbf{x}_j^i points for every view.

$$\min_{\hat{\mathbf{P}}^i, \hat{\mathbf{X}}_j} \sum_{ij} d(\hat{\mathbf{P}}^i \hat{\mathbf{X}}_j, \mathbf{x}_j^i)^2$$

- where $d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is the geometric image distance between homogeneous points \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} .

Bundle Adjustment

$$\min_{\hat{\mathbf{P}}^i, \hat{\mathbf{X}}_j} \sum_{ij} d(\hat{\mathbf{P}}^i \hat{\mathbf{X}}_j, \mathbf{x}_j^i)^2$$

$$\min_{\hat{\mathbf{P}}^i, \hat{\mathbf{X}}_j} \dots$$

Adjust the bundle of rays
between each camera center and
the set of 3D points.

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Non-linear Least Squares

Assume a problem can be modeled with a parameterized function f (parameters \mathbf{p}) such that:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = f(\mathbf{p})$$

LSQ optimization seeks the parameters \mathbf{p} that minimize the difference between the measure \mathbf{x} and estimation $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$:

$$\arg \min_{\mathbf{p}} \|\mathbf{x} - f(\mathbf{p})\|$$

- Iterative optimization algorithms:
 - Newton.
 - Levenberg-Marquardt
 - Sparse Levenberg-Marquardt

Number of parameters to optimize

- Each camera matrix \mathbf{P}^i has 11 DoFs.
- There are m views.
- Each point \mathbf{X}_j has 3 DoFs.
- There are n points.

There are $3n + 11m$ parameters to optimize !!!!

(This is a lower bound, it can be more due to over-parameterization)

- e.g. when using Levenberg Marquardt, matrices of $(3n + 11m) \times (3n + 11m)$ have to be factored or inverted, which is computationally expensive.

Practical Implementation

- Initialization
 - Use factorization for initialization.
 - Use available information:
e.g. coplanarity leads to a closed form solution.
- Tackle the size of the problem by:
 - Reducing the number of views m or the number of points n .
 - Do not include all the points or all the views. These can be then computed by resection or triangulation.
 - Partition the data, e.g. hierarchical approach.
 - Interleave: iterate between minimizing the projection error by:
 - varying the entries of the cameras $\hat{\mathbf{P}}^i$.
 - varying the entries of the points $\hat{\mathbf{X}}^j$
 - Use sparse methods.

Bundle Adjustment

Used as a final step of any reconstruction.

Pros

- Provides ML estimate.
- Tolerant to missing data.
- Assigns covariances to each measure.
- Can be extended to include priors and constraints on camera parameters and point positions.

Cons:

- It requires a good initialization.
- It can become an extremely large minimization problem.

Recall

A 3×4 projection matrix \mathbf{P} can be decomposed into

$$\mathbf{P} \propto \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{t}]$$

$(\mathbf{R}; \mathbf{t})$ is the pose or extrinsic parameters

\mathbf{K} is the calibration or intrinsic parameters

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha f & sf & u_0 \\ 0 & f & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

f is the focal length

(u_0, v_0) is the principal point

α is the aspect ratio

s is the skew

Problem Statement

- The projective 3D model is defined up to a projective transformation

$$\mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{X}_j \propto \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{H} \mathbf{H}^{-1} \mathbf{X}_j = \mathbf{P}^{i0} \mathbf{X}_j^0$$

where \mathbf{H} is a 3D (4×4) homography, with $\det(\mathbf{H}) = 0$ and 15 parameters.

- The goal is to obtain a Euclidean 3D model defined up to a similarity (7 parameters).
- The number of unknowns is thus $15 - 7 = 8$
- We are looking for a projective transformation \mathbf{Z} such that:
 - $\mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{Z}$ are projection matrices
 - $\mathbf{Z}^{-1} \mathbf{X}_j$ are 3D points

in a Euclidean coordinate frame.

Internal Camera Calibration

The internal camera calibration can be computed from prior knowledge (Chapter 19):

- on the scene, e.g. right angles, equal lengths.
- on the camera motion, e.g. pure translation, stereo rig.
- on the intrinsic parameters themselves:
 - Assume they are all unknown and constant.
 - Varying focal length calibration [Triggs, 1997 ; Pollefeys et al., 1998].

The estimated internal camera parameters allow us to compute a metric reconstruction from initially uncalibrated images

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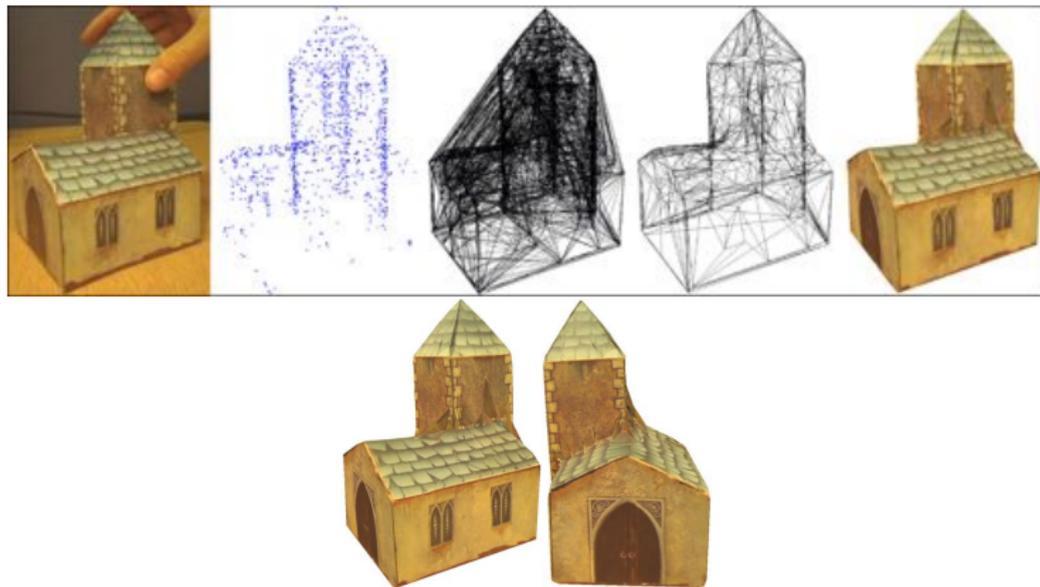
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Example Applications



Automatic reconstruction of piecewise planar models from multiple views
[Baillard, Zisserman-CVPR1999]

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Creating 3D models with a simple webcam [Pan, Reitmayr, Drummond - BMVC 2009]

Comercial Software

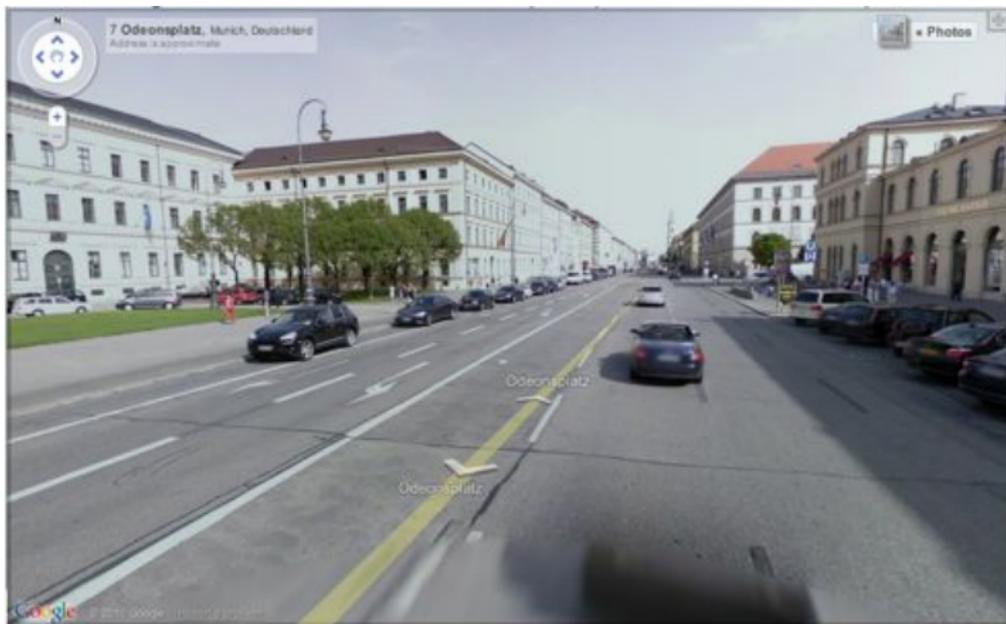
- 2d3 (www.2d3.com)
 - Boujou (camera tracking)
 - SteadyMove (video stabilizer)
 - ...
- Realviz (bought by Autodesk)
 - MatchMover (camera tracking)
 - Stitcher (image mosaicing)
 - ImageModeler (computer-aided 3D models from images)
 - ...
- Google Street view
- Microsoft Fototurism

Autostitch



<http://people.cs.ubc.ca/~mbrown/autostitch/autostitch.html>

Street View



http://www.talkmunich.com/services/munich_map.php

Bundler

Bundler: Structure from Motion for Unordered Image Collections

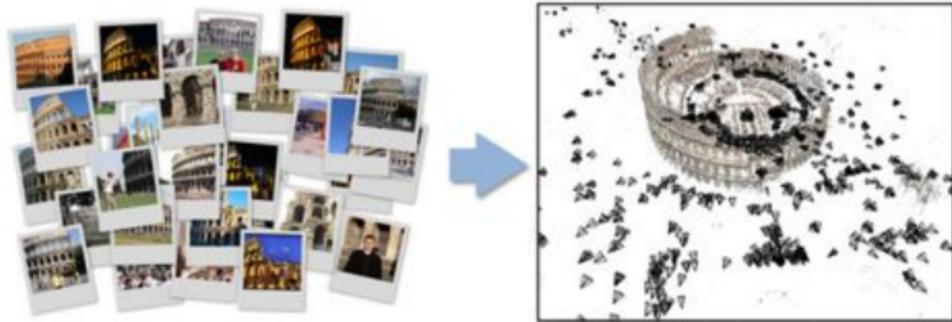


Photo Tourism



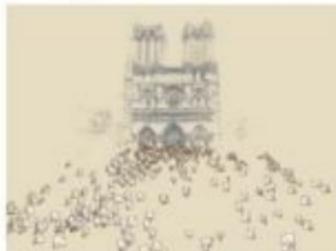
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Exploring photo collections in 3D

Microsoft



(a)



(b)



(c)

Photosynth



<http://photosynth.net/>

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