



3D Reconstruction of Scene Structure and Camera Motion

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Reference: [Multiple View Geometry in Computer Vision](#), by *Hartley and Zisserman*

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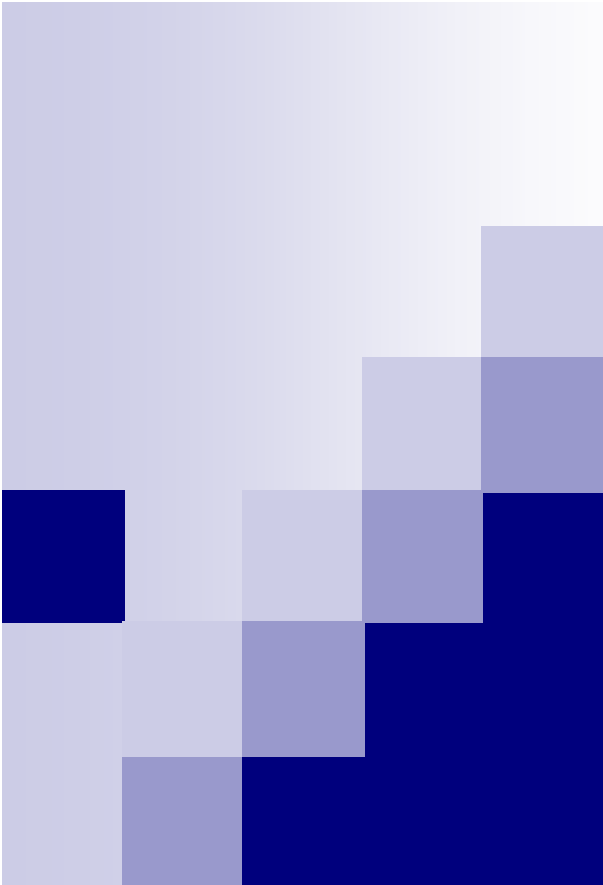
Three questions:

- (i) **Correspondence geometry:** Given an image point x in the first image, how does this constrain the position of the corresponding point x' in the second image?
 - (ii) **Camera geometry (motion):** Given a set of corresponding image points $\{x_i \leftrightarrow x'_i\}$, $i=1, \dots, n$, what are the cameras P and P' for the two views?
 - (iii) **Scene geometry (structure):** Given corresponding image points $x_i \leftrightarrow x'_i$ and cameras P, P' , what is the position of (their pre-image) X in space?
- (ii) and (iii) form the ***structure from motion*** (SfM) problem

Various scenarios



- SfM using calibrated camera(s)
 - A moving camera
 - A camera network
- SfM using an affine camera
 - No need to calibrate the camera / partially calibrated e.g. rectangular pixels and known principal point
 - Camera translation can only be recovered partially
- SfM through a projective reconstruction
 - Obtain a projective reconstruction first
 - Upgrade the projective reconstruction to a metric reconstruction
- SfM with direct estimation of unknown camera parameters



Metric Motion and Structure Recovery Using Calibrated Cameras Through Essential Matrix

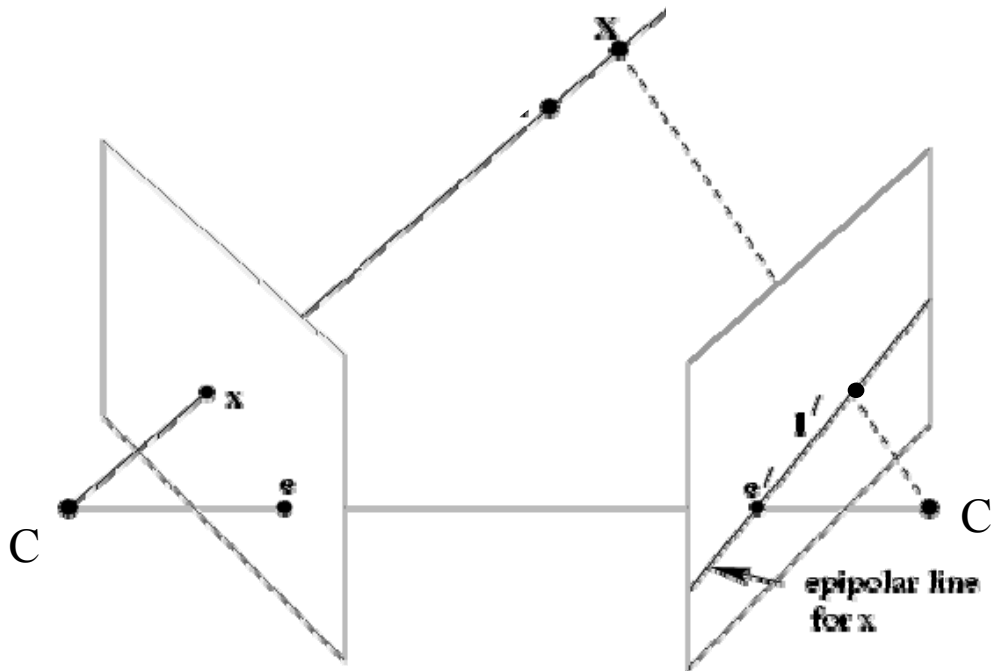
Recap: the fundamental matrix F and epipolar geometry

$$P=K[I|0], P'=K'[R|t]$$

$$F = K'^{-T} [t]_{\times} R K^{-1}$$

$$x'^T F x = 0$$

$$x'^T K'^{-T} [t]_{\times} R K^{-1} x = 0$$



Consider the canonical image planes of both cameras, $x=Kx_0$, and $x'=K'x_0'$

$$x'^T K'^{-T} [t]_{\times} R K^{-1} x = x_0'^T [t]_{\times} R x_0 = 0$$

The essential matrix: Fundamental matrix for calibrated cameras

$$x'^T \underbrace{K'^{-T} [t]_x R K^{-1}}_{\text{Fundamental matrix}} x = x'_0{}^T \underbrace{[t]_x R}_{\text{Essential matrix}} x_0 = 0 \quad x = Kx_0, \text{ and } x' = K'x'_0$$

$$x'_0{}^T E x_0 = 0 \quad E = K'^T F K \quad E = [t]_x R = R [R^T t]_x$$

E: 5 d.o.f. (3 for R; 2 for t up to scale)

Theorem: E is an essential matrix if and only if its two singular values are equal and third is zero.

$$E = U \text{diag}(1, 1, 0) V^T$$

Four possible reconstructions from E



Theorem: For a given essential matrix $E=U\text{diag}(1,1,0)V^T$, and the first camera matrix $P=[I|0]$, there are four possible choices for the second camera matrix $P'=[R|t]$, namely:

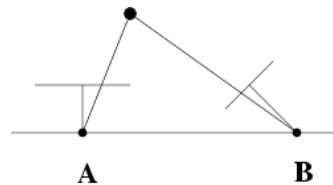
$$P'=[UWV^T|+u_3], \text{ or}$$

$$[UWV^T|-u_3], \text{ or}$$

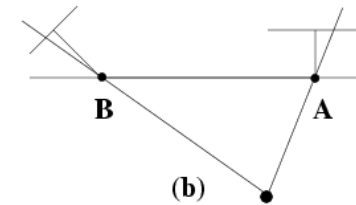
$$[UW^TV^T|+u_3], \text{ or}$$

$$[UW^TV^T|-u_3]$$

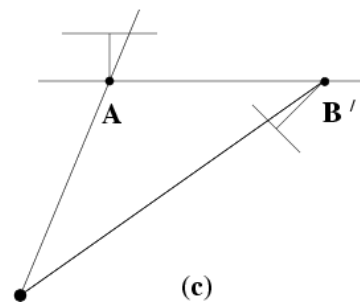
where $W = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$



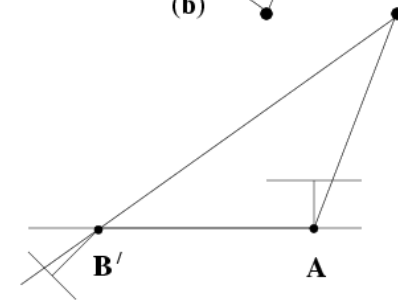
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

(only one solution is valid where points are in front of both cameras)

Camera Motion Estimation



- **Camera translation**

$$C = -R^T t, \text{ since } t = -RC$$

C is the camera center position in the world system.

- **Recovery of rotation angles**

Given rotation angle, $\Psi = (\psi_x, \psi_y, \psi_z)$,

$$R(\Psi) = \begin{bmatrix} n_1^2 + (1 - n_1^2)\eta & n_1 n_2 (1 - \eta) + n_3 \zeta & n_1 n_3 (1 - \eta) - n_2 \zeta \\ n_1 n_2 (1 - \eta) - n_3 \zeta & n_2^2 + (1 - n_2^2)\eta & n_2 n_3 (1 - \eta) + n_1 \zeta \\ n_1 n_3 (1 - \eta) + n_2 \zeta & n_2 n_3 (1 - \eta) - n_1 \zeta & n_3^2 + (1 - n_3^2)\eta \end{bmatrix}$$

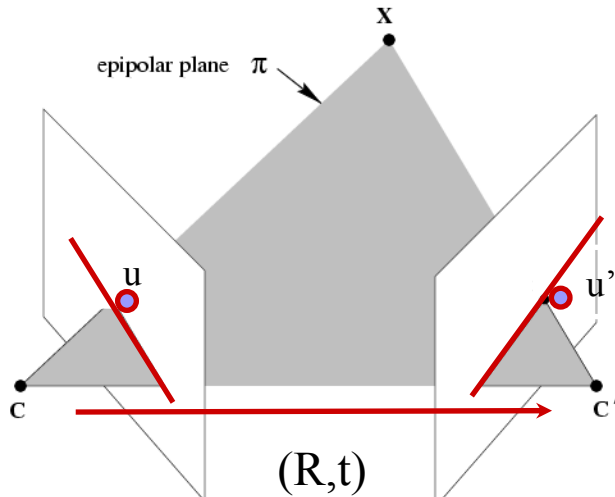
where $(n_1, n_2, n_3) = \Psi / |\Psi|$ and $\eta = \cos |\Psi|$, $\zeta = \sin |\Psi|$

Given, rotation matrix $R(\Psi)$, Ψ can be computed as follows:

$$\Psi = \frac{\phi}{2 \sin \phi} (r_{23} - r_{32}, r_{31} - r_{13}, r_{12} - r_{21})^T,$$

where $\phi = \cos^{-1}(0.5 \text{ trace}(R(\Psi)) - 0.5)$

Structure Recovery Using Triangulation



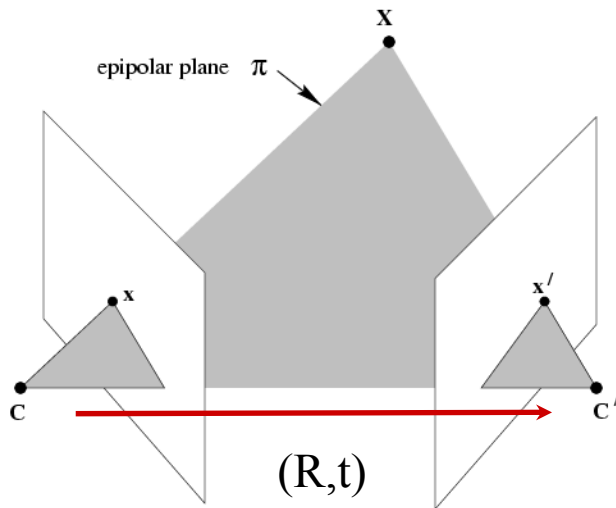
- Due to feature matching error, u and u' might not be on the same epipolar plane.
- We need to find an epipolar plane such that the epipolar distances from u and u' to λ and λ' are minimized.
- Epipolar planes are a family of one parameter (a pencil).
- An epipolar plane can be specified by one parameter.

1. Parametrize the pencil of epipolar lines in the first image by a parameter t . Thus an epipolar line in the first image may be written as $\lambda(t)$.
2. Using the fundamental matrix F , compute the corresponding epipolar line $\lambda'(t)$ in the second image.
3. Express the distance function $d(u, \lambda(t))^2 + d(u', \lambda'(t))^2$ explicitly as a function of t .
4. Find the value of t that minimizes this function.

“In this way, the problem is reduced to that of finding the minimum of a function of a single variable, t . It will be seen that for a suitable parameterization of the pencil of epipolar lines the distance function is a rational polynomial function of t . Using techniques of elementary calculus, the minimization problem reduces to finding the real roots of a polynomial of degree 6.” – R. Hartley and P. Sturm, “Triangulation”, *Computer Vision and Image Understanding*, 68(2):146-157, 1997.

Structure Recovery Using Triangulation

– a suboptimal method



Assume that $P=K[I|0]$, $P'=K'[R|t]$. Given feature correspondences and 3D camera movement (R,t) , the depth of features can be recovered using triangulation. Namely, we need to minimize the reprojection error:

$$z = \arg \min_z \left\| \begin{bmatrix} x' - K'[R | t] \begin{bmatrix} zK^{-1}x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\|^2$$

It can be shown that the solution to the above optimization is given by

$$z^* = \frac{(t_x r_z - t_z r_x)(t_z u - t_x) + (t_y r_z - t_z r_y)(t_z v - t_y)}{(t_x r_z - t_z r_x)(r_z u - r_x) + (t_y r_z - t_z r_y)(r_z v - r_y)}$$

where $(u,v,1)^T=K'^{-1}x'$, $(t_x,t_y,t_z)^T=-t$, $(r_x,r_y,r_z)^T=RK^{-1}x$

with structure recovery scaled with respect to the translational magnitude.

More than 2 views?

- Sequential structure from motion

- Initialize structure and motion from two views
- For each additional view
 - Determine pose
 - Refine and extend structure for new points

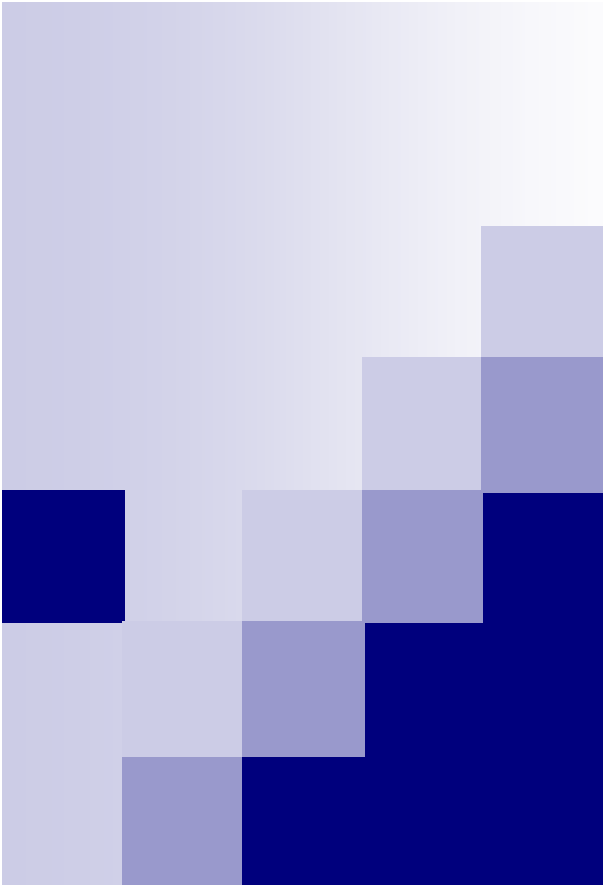
- Determine correspondences robustly by jointly estimating matches and epipolar geometry



Limitations of the method



- Needs camera calibration
- Need large baseline compared to the scene structure



Metric Motion and Structure Recovery Using Calibrated Cameras Through Non-linear Filtering

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Challenges



- Nonlinear dynamic system
- Observation noises, large baseline vs. small baseline
- Feature occlusion
- Inherent ambiguities

- Solutions: non-linear filtering
 - Extended Kalman filter
 - Sequential Monte Carlo (Particle filter)

Sequential Monte Carlo



- A set of simulation-based methods for sequentially computing the posterior densities
- Appeared as a number of variants
 - Condensation
 - Particle filters
 - Bootstrap filters
 - Monte Carlo filters
 - Sequential importance sampling (SIS)

Dynamic Systems



- Assumptions
$$\begin{cases} x_t = Q_t(x_{t-1}) + v \\ y_t = F_t(x_t) + n \end{cases}, \begin{cases} x_t \sim q_t(x_t | x_{t-1}) \\ y_t \sim f_t(y_t | x_t) \end{cases}, p(x_0)$$

- State and observation sequences

$$x_{0:t} = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_t)$$

$$y_{1:t} = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_t)$$

- Goal: **Recursively** approximate the *a posteriori* density $\pi(x_{0:t}) = p(x_{0:t} | y_{0:t})$ and the expectation of any integrable function f_t

$$I(f_t) = \int p(x_{0:t} | y_{1:t}) f_t(x_{0:t}) dx_{0:t}$$

Dynamic Systems (cont'd)



- When $\pi(x_{0:t})$ is high-dimensional, Monte Carlo integration is needed to evaluate $I(f_t)$.

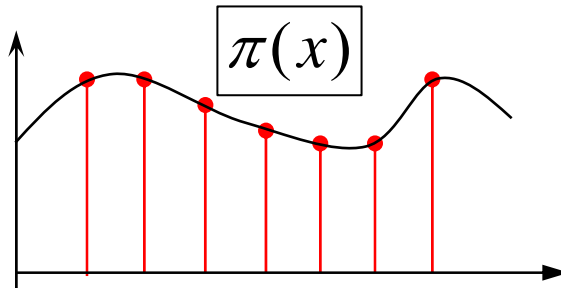
$$I(f_t) = \int p(x_{0:t} | y_{1:t}) f_t(x_{0:t}) dx_{0:t}$$

- SLLN:
$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N f(x_{0:t}^{(j)}) \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{a.s.} I(f_t)$$

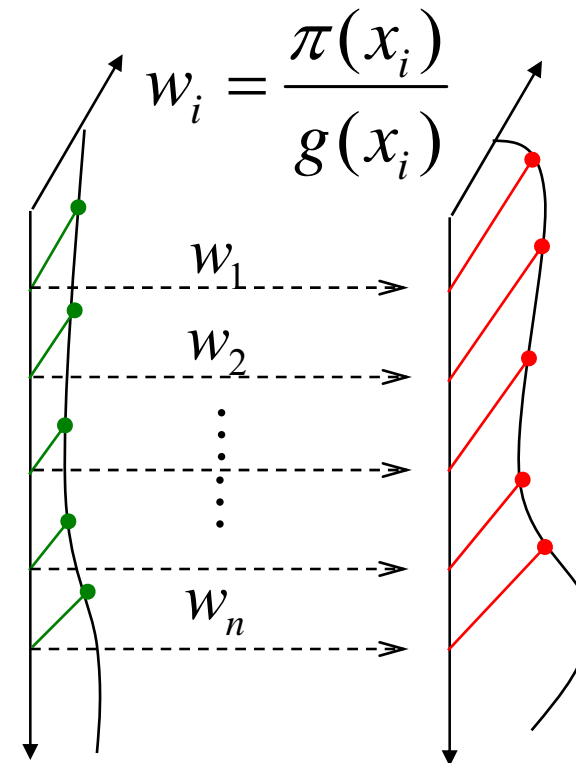
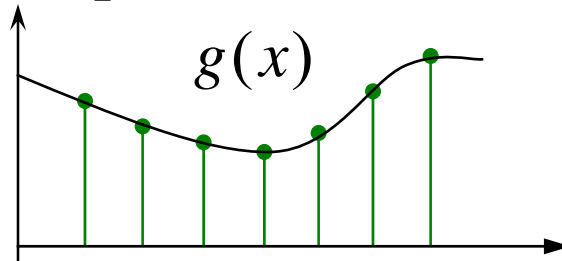
Importance Sampling



Target distribution



Proposal distribution



$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i) w_i}{\sum_{i=1}^N w_i} = \int f(x) \pi(x) dx$$

x_i 's are *properly weighted* by w_i 's w.r.t. $\pi(x)$.

Sequential Importance Sampling with Resampling



$$\left\{x_{0:t}^{(j)}, w_t^{(j)}\right\} \sim \pi_t(x_{0:t}) \xrightarrow{\text{SISR}} \left\{x_{0:t+1}^{(j)}, w_{t+1}^{(j)}\right\} \sim \pi_{t+1}(x_{0:t+1})$$

SISR steps: for $j=1, 2, \dots, m$

(A) Draw $x_{t+1}^{(j)}$ from $g_{t+1}(x_{t+1}|x_{0:t}^{(j)})$. Attach $x_{t+1}^{(j)}$ to form $x_{0:t+1}^{(j)} = (x_{0:t}^{(j)}, x_{t+1}^{(j)})$

(B) Compute the incremental weight u_{t+1} by

$$u_{t+1}^{(j)} = \frac{\pi_{t+1}(x_{0:t+1}^{(j)})}{\pi_t(x_{0:t}^{(j)})g_{t+1}(x_{t+1}^{(j)}|x_{0:t}^{(j)})}$$

and update weight via

$$w_{t+1}^{(j)} = u_{t+1}^{(j)} w_t^{(j)}$$

(C) Redraw samples according to their weights

SISR For Dynamic Systems



- Chain rule for target density
$$\pi_t(x_{0:t}) \propto p(x_{0:t}, y_{1:t}) = \pi(x_0) \cdot \prod_{k=1}^t q(x_k | x_{k-1}) f(y_k | x_k)$$
$$\pi_{t+1}(x_{0:t+1}) \propto \pi_t(x_{0:t}) q(x_{t+1} | x_t) f(y_{t+1} | x_{t+1})$$

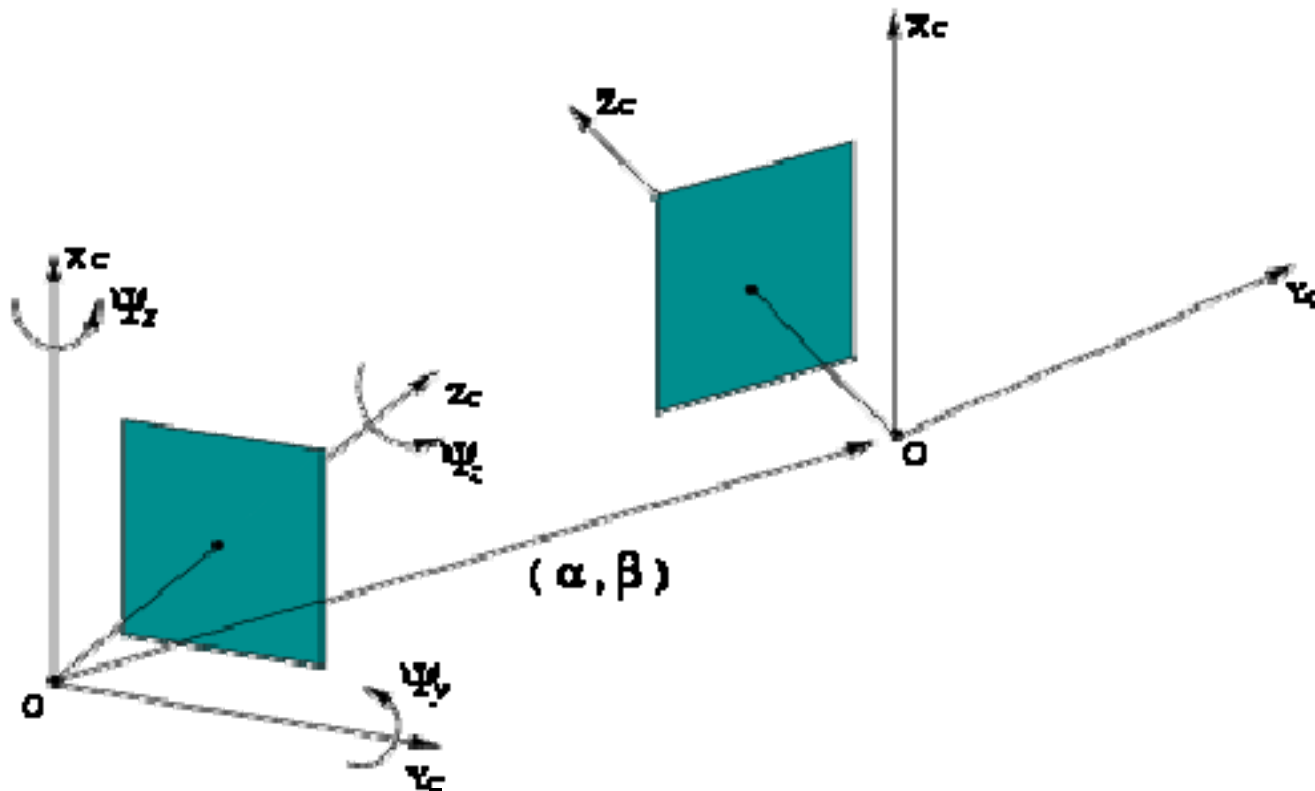
- Let the instantaneous proposal density be the state transition density.

$$g_{t+1}(x_t | x_{0:t}) = q(x_{t+1} | x_t)$$

- The incremental weight equals the likelihood function.

$$\begin{aligned} u_{t+1} &= \frac{\pi_{t+1}(x_{0:t+1})}{\pi_t(x_{0:t}) g_{t+1}(x_{t+1} | x_{0:t})} \\ &\propto \frac{\pi_t(x_{0:t}) q(x_{t+1} | x_t) f(y_{t+1} | x_{t+1})}{q(x_{t+1} | x_t)} \\ &= f(y_{t+1} | x_{t+1}) \end{aligned}$$

3-D Motion Parameterization



$$m_t = (\Psi_x, \Psi_y, \Psi_z, \alpha, \beta)$$

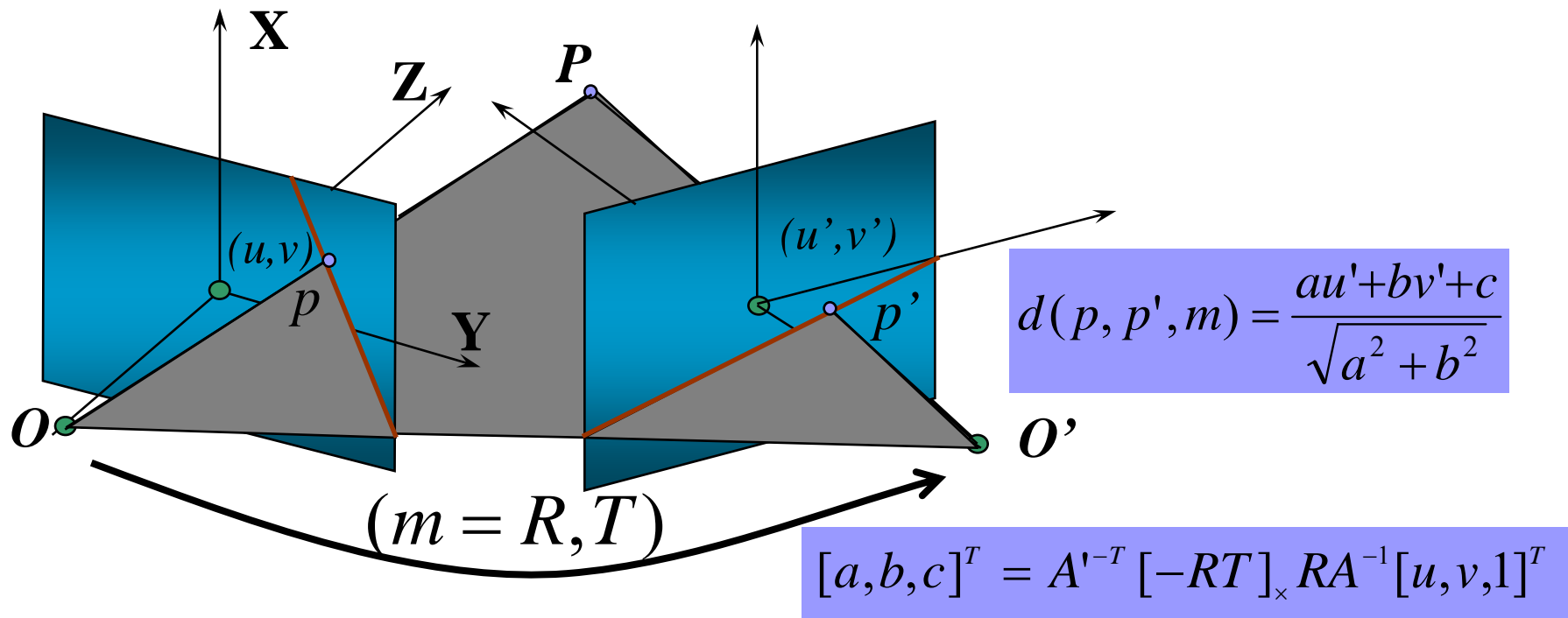
$$T(\alpha, \beta) = [\sin(\alpha) \cos(\beta), \sin(\alpha) \sin(\beta), \cos(\alpha)]$$

Implementation Issues

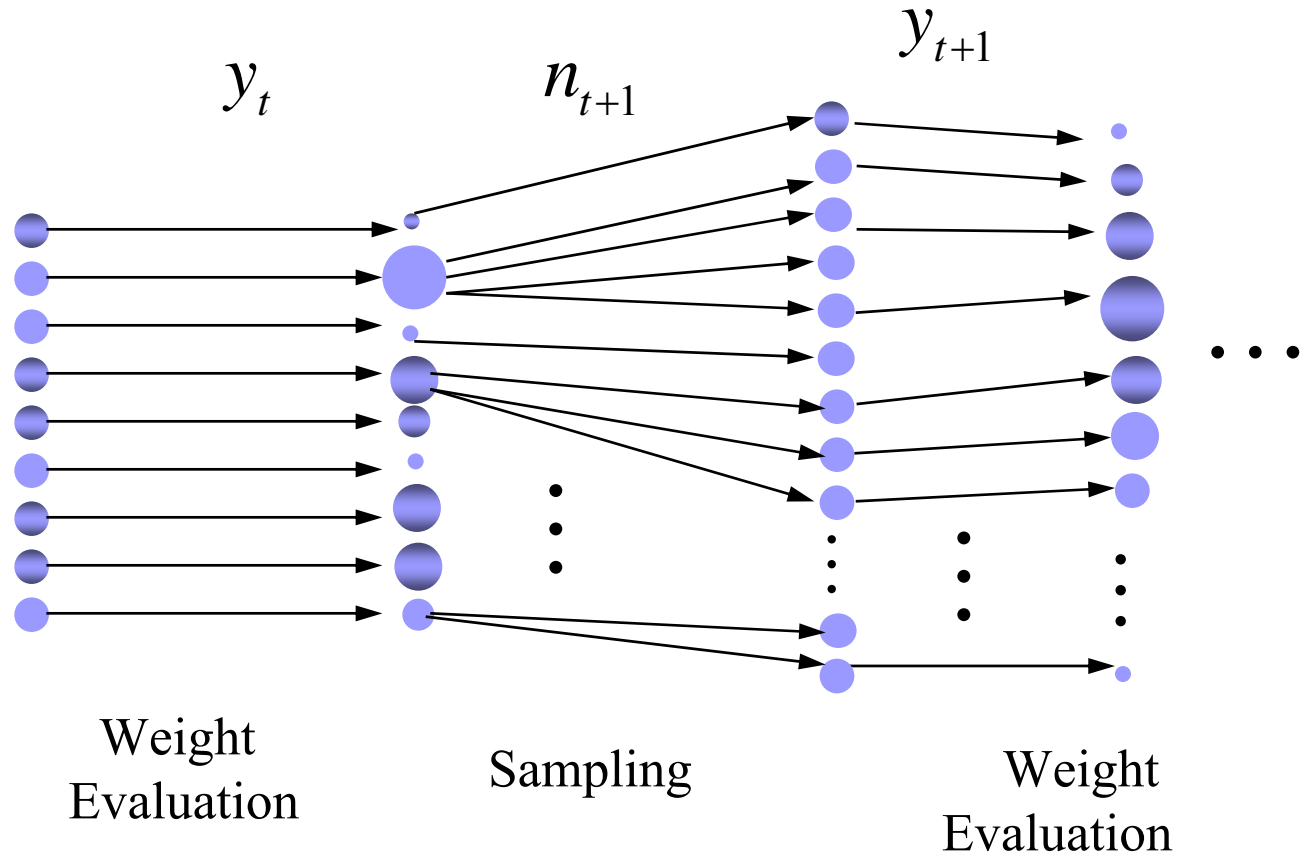
- Instantaneous proposal distribution

$$g_{t+1}(x_t | x_{0:t}) = q(x_{t+1} | x_t) \implies x_{t+1} = x_t + n_x$$

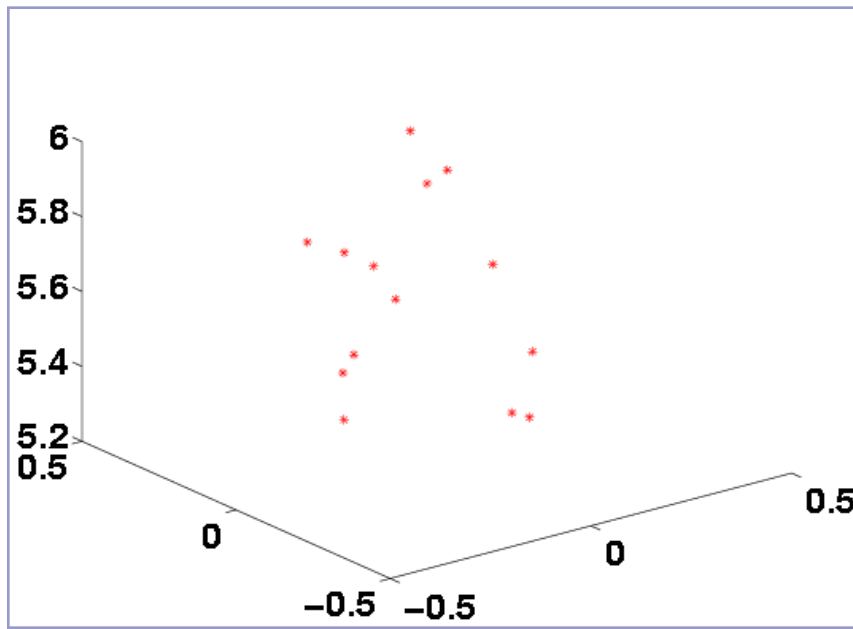
- Sample weight evaluation via the epipolar distances



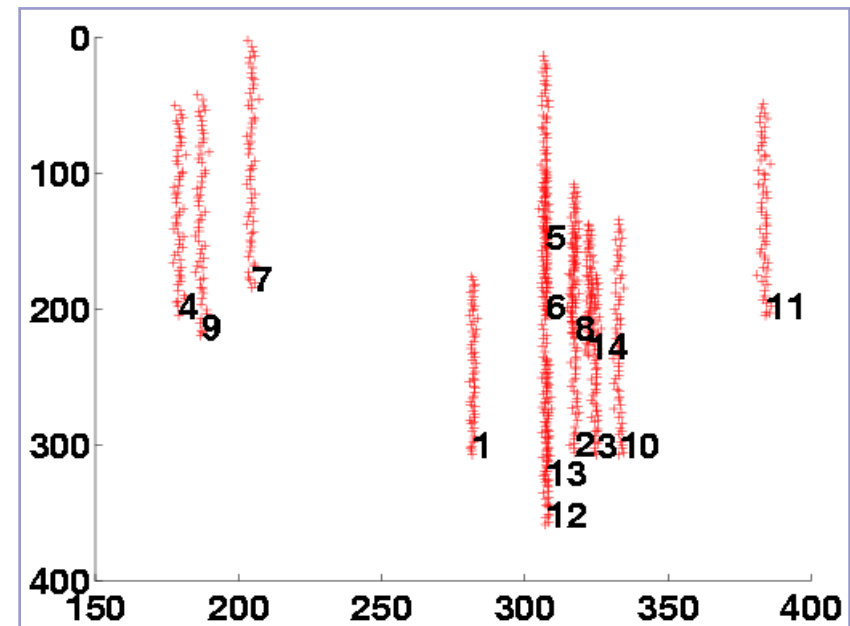
SMC for 3-D Motion Estimation



Ambiguous Sequences

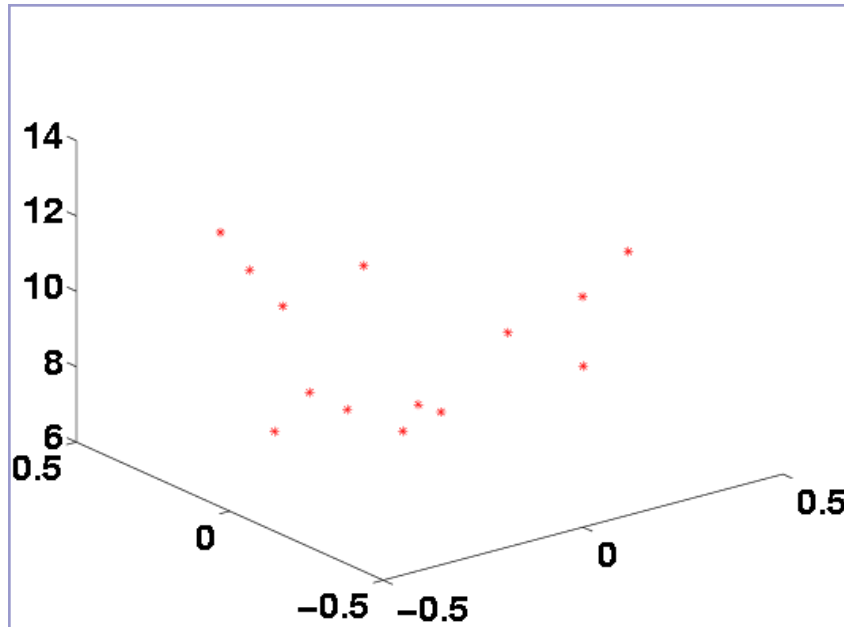


3-D points

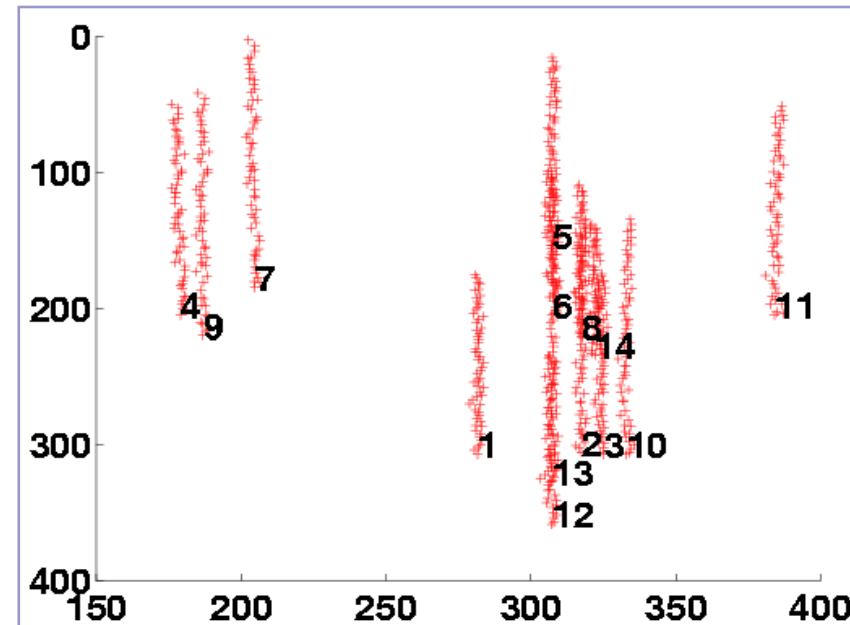


2-D trajectories

Ambiguous Sequences



False shape solution

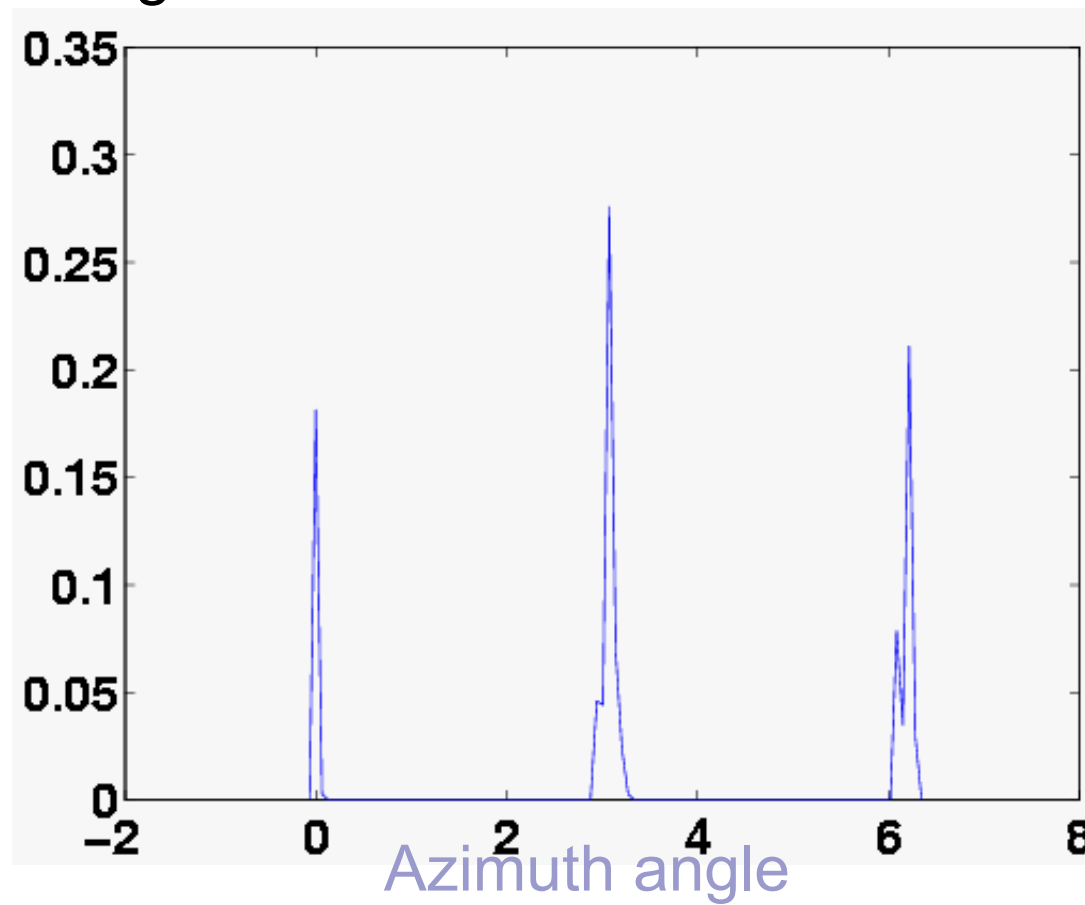


Reprojected trajectories using the false solution

Ambiguous Sequences



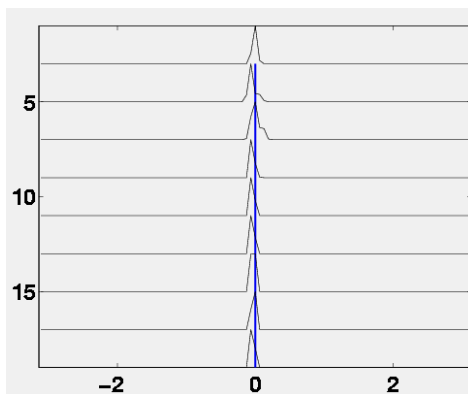
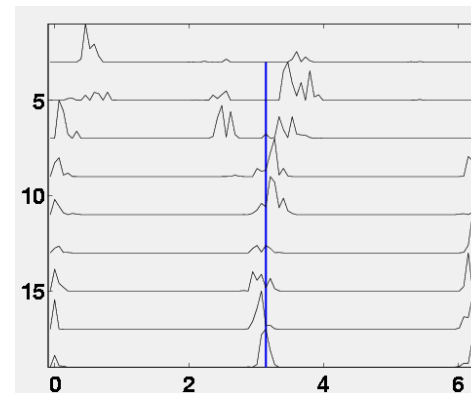
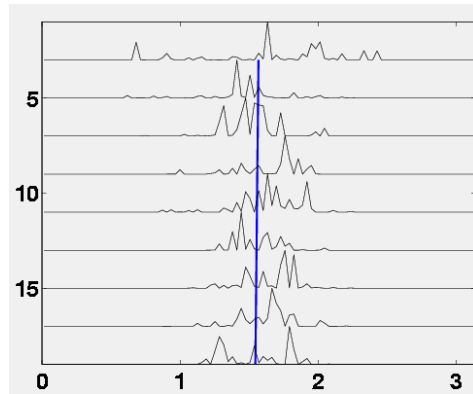
- Multi-mode pattern in the posterior distribution of the azimuth angle



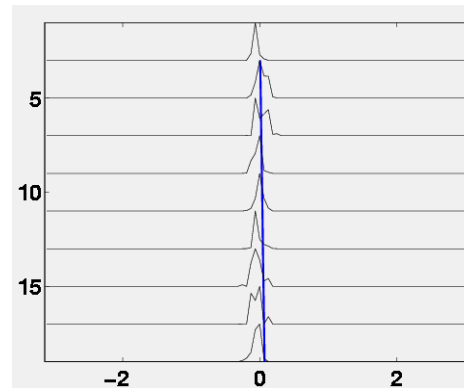
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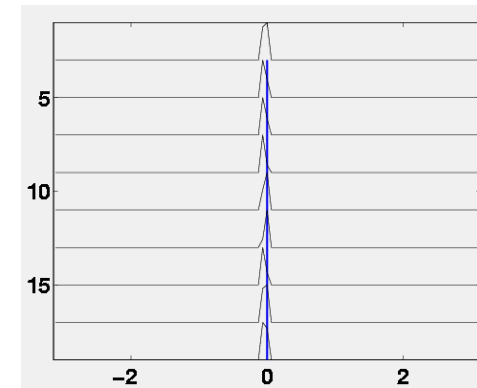
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ψ_x



ψ_y

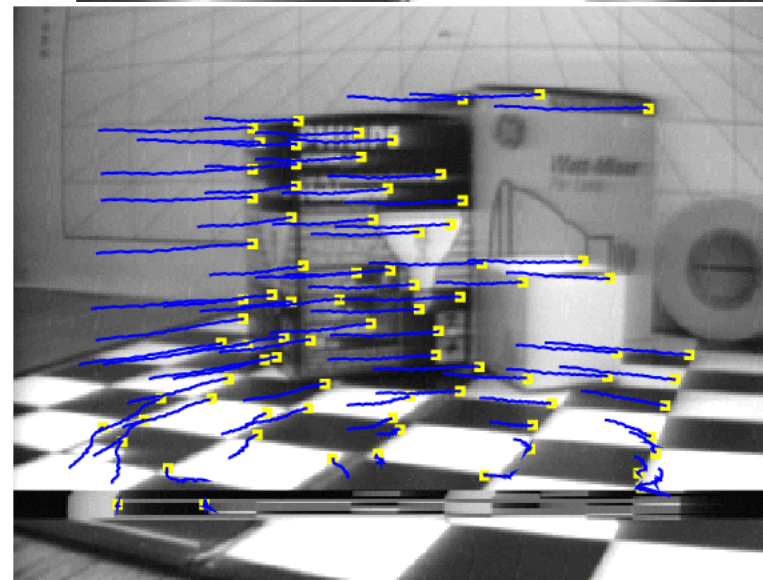
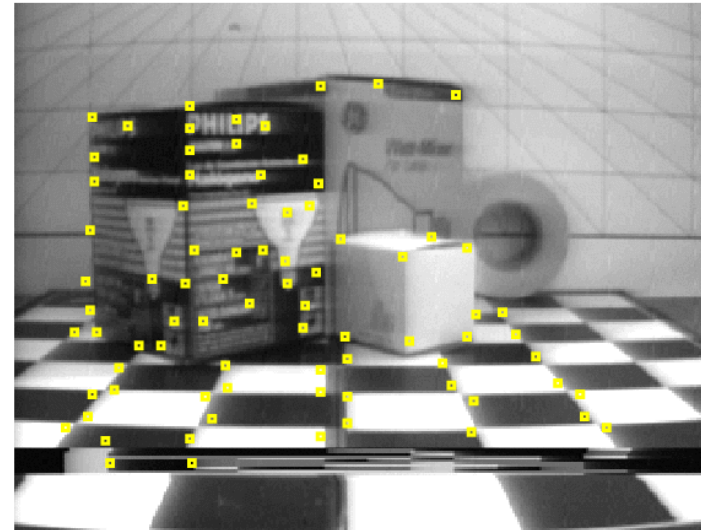
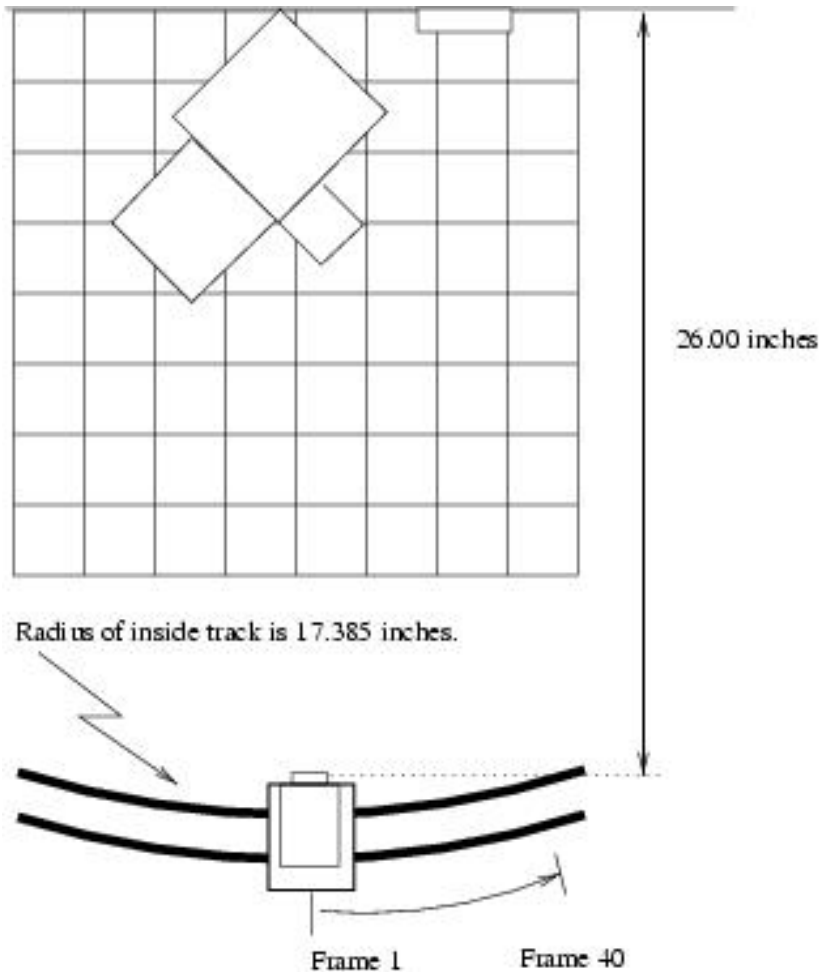


ψ_z

Experiment I: Indoor Sequence



Experiment configuration



3D Model Building

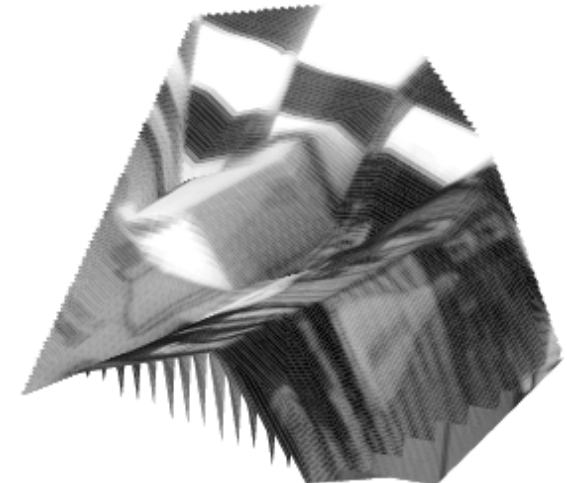
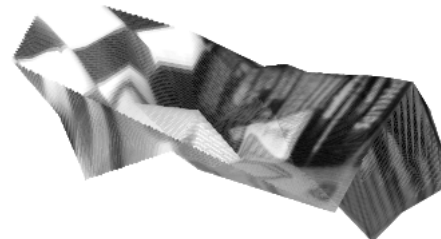
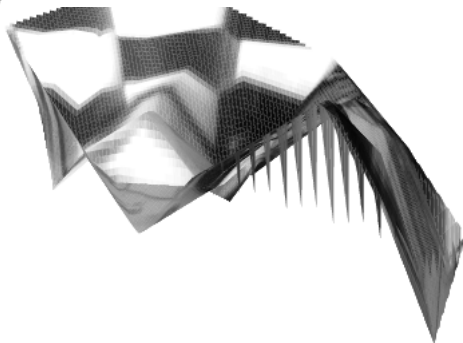
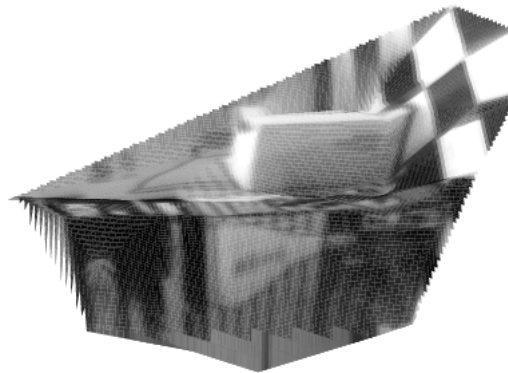
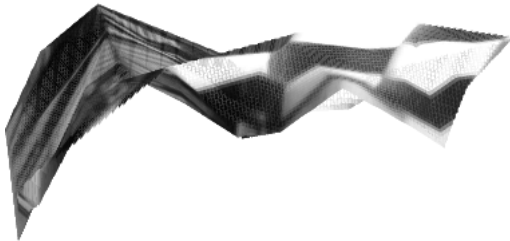
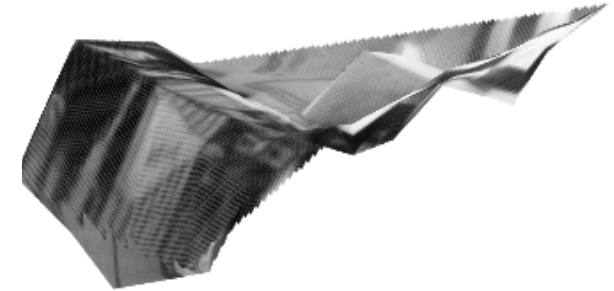
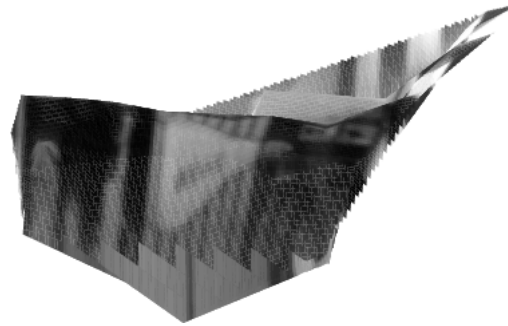


Image Sensing and Understanding

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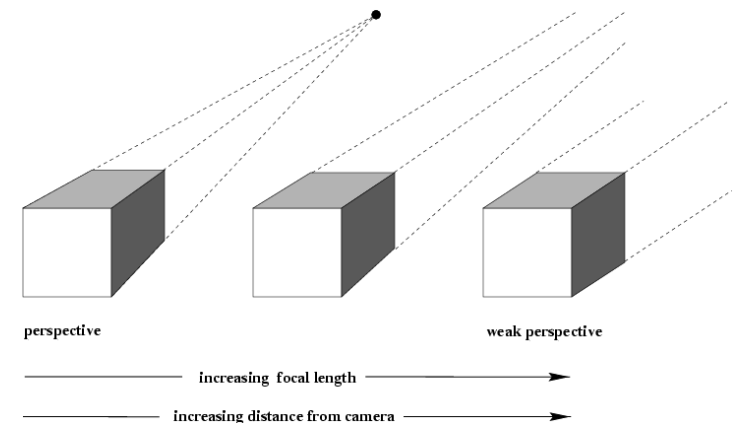
Metric Reconstruction via Factorization for Orthographic Projection

Reference: Tomasi, C., and Kanade, T., (1992) **Shape and Motion from Image Streams under Orthography: A Factorization Method**, IJCV(9), No. 2, November 1992, pp. 137-154.

Recap: Affine cameras



- Points at infinity in the 3D space are imaged to lines at infinity on the image.
- Last row of the projection matrix is $(0,0,0,1)$.
- A valid assumption when
 - 3D points are close to a plane perpendicular to the camera looking direction, (i.e. scene structure variation is smaller compared to the distance of the camera) and
 - Projections of points are close to the principal point of the image.



Recap: Affine cameras

- Obtained by shifting the camera center along opposite camera looking direction and enlarging the focal length to keep the image size approximately unchanged.

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

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

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

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

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

$$= K \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & d_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & -\mathbf{r}^{1T}\tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} & -\mathbf{r}^{2T}\tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$-\mathbf{r}^{1T}\tilde{\mathbf{C}}$ and $-\mathbf{r}^{2T}\tilde{\mathbf{C}}$ are first two coordinates of the world center in the camera frame. The third coordinate is infinity.

Recap: Decomposition of P_∞

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_0 = -\mathbf{r}^{3T} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \quad P_\infty &= \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \mathbf{r}^{1T} & -\mathbf{r}^{1T} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ & 1 & & \mathbf{r}^{2T} & -\mathbf{r}^{2T} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ & & d_0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{2 \times 2} & \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_0 \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{2 \times 2} & 0 \\ & d_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{R}} & \tilde{\mathbf{t}} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} d_0^{-1} \mathbf{K}_{2 \times 2} & \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{R}} & \tilde{\mathbf{t}} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \mathbf{K}'_{2 \times 2} = d_0^{-1} \mathbf{K}_{2 \times 2} & \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}'_{2 \times 2} & \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{R}} & \tilde{\mathbf{t}} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}'_{2 \times 2} \tilde{\mathbf{R}} & \mathbf{K}'_{2 \times 2} \tilde{\mathbf{t}} + \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}'_{2 \times 2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{R}} & \tilde{\mathbf{t}} + \mathbf{K}'_{2 \times 2}^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow P_\infty = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{2 \times 2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{R}} & \tilde{\mathbf{t}} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Recap: hierarchy of affine cameras

Projection along Z-axis:

Camera frame is parallel to the world frame. Camera optical axis is aligned with the Z-axis of the world frame. It is a projection along the Z-axis. $K = I$

$$P_{\infty} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Orthographic projection:

Camera goes through a Euclidean transformation H and $K = I$.

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} R & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad P_{\infty} = \begin{bmatrix} r^{1T} & t_1 \\ r^{2T} & t_2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(5dof)

Scaled orthographic projection:

Camera goes through a Euclidean transformation H and K is diagonal, i.e. the skew factor of the camera is zero and the principal point on the image is known.

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} R & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_{\infty} = \begin{bmatrix} k & & & \\ & k & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r^{1T} & t_1 \\ r^{2T} & t_2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r^{1T} & t_1 \\ r^{2T} & t_2 \\ 0 & 1/k \end{bmatrix}$$

(6dof)

Some Insights



- The projection of a 3D point using affine camera is determined by the first two coordinates of the point in the camera frame.

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\infty} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{X} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} k & & \\ & k & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & t_1 \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} & t_2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{X} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} k & & \\ & k & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} & -\mathbf{r}^{1T} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} & -\mathbf{r}^{2T} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{X} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} k & & \\ & k & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} (\tilde{X} - \tilde{\mathbf{C}}) \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} (\tilde{X} - \tilde{\mathbf{C}}) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}^{1T} (\tilde{X} - \tilde{\mathbf{C}}) \\ \mathbf{r}^{2T} (\tilde{X} - \tilde{\mathbf{C}}) \\ 1/k \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- Moving a camera along the optical axis of the camera won't produce any changes in the image.

SfM from an affine camera: projection model



Suppose that given trajectories of P feature points over F frames from a moving affine camera

$$(u_{fp}, v_{fp}), f = 1, \dots, F, p = 1, \dots, P,$$

we need to recover the 3D camera motion and scene structure. Recall that the projection matrix of a scaled orthographic camera is given by

$$P_{\infty} = \begin{bmatrix} k & & & \\ & k & & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r^{1T} & -r^{1T} \tilde{C} \\ r^{2T} & -r^{2T} \tilde{C} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r^{1T} & -r^{1T} \tilde{C} \\ r^{2T} & -r^{2T} \tilde{C} \\ 0 & 1/k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P^{1T} \\ P^{2T} \\ P^{3T} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{fp} \\ v_{fp} \\ 1/k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_f^{1T} \\ P_f^{2T} \\ P_f^{3T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_p \\ Y_p \\ Z_p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_{fp} \\ v_{fp} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_f^{1T} \\ P_f^{2T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_p \\ Y_p \\ Z_p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_f^{1T} (\tilde{X}_p - \tilde{C}_f) \\ r_f^{2T} (\tilde{X}_p - \tilde{C}_f) \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark: In this step, the camera motion and scene structure are represented in an arbitrary world coordinate frame.

Projection of the object center



- The center of the features in an image is the projection of the center of the 3D point cloud.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_f \\ \bar{v}_f \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{P} \sum_{p=1}^P \begin{bmatrix} u_{fp} \\ v_{fp} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{P} \sum_{p=1}^P \begin{bmatrix} P_f^{1T} \\ P_f^{2T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_p \\ Y_p \\ Z_p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} P_f^{1T} \\ P_f^{2T} \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{P} \sum_{p=1}^P \begin{bmatrix} X_p \\ Y_p \\ Z_p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_f^{1T} \\ P_f^{2T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{X} \\ \bar{Y} \\ \bar{Z} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} r_f^{1T} (\bar{X} - \tilde{C}_f) \\ r_f^{2T} (\bar{X} - \tilde{C}_f) \end{bmatrix}$$

A new world coordinate frame



- Center the feature points in each image frame so that the image center is the center of the feature points.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u}_{fp} \\ \tilde{v}_{fp} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{fp} \\ v_{fp} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_f \\ \bar{v}_f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_f^{1T} \\ P_f^{2T} \end{bmatrix} \left(\begin{bmatrix} X_p \\ Y_p \\ Z_p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \bar{X} \\ \bar{Y} \\ \bar{Z} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} r_f^{1T} & -r_f^{1T} \tilde{C}_f \\ r_f^{2T} & -r_f^{2T} \tilde{C}_f \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_p - \bar{X} \\ Y_p - \bar{Y} \\ Z_p - \bar{Z} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} r_f^{1T} & 0 \\ r_f^{2T} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_p - \bar{X} \\ Y_p - \bar{Y} \\ Z_p - \bar{Z} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The resulting projections are essentially represented in a coordinate system centered at the center of the 3D point cloud.

$$S_p = \begin{bmatrix} X_p - \bar{X} \\ Y_p - \bar{Y} \\ Z_p - \bar{Z} \end{bmatrix}$$

- The camera is always looking at the world center (also object center), e.g. a rotating object about its center.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u}_{fp} \\ \tilde{v}_{fp} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_f^{1T} \\ r_f^{2T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_p - \bar{X} \\ Y_p - \bar{Y} \\ Z_p - \bar{Z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_f^{1T} \\ r_f^{2T} \end{bmatrix} S_p$$

The equivalent camera center in this projection matrix is always perpendicular to the first two axes of the camera frame, this means that the camera is always looking at the origin of the world coordinate frame.

Insights



- After the step of centering the features in all images, we essentially repositioned the cameras (without rotating the cameras) **perpendicularly to the camera looking directions** so that after the repositioning in each image frame the camera's principal point is aligned with the projection of the world center, which is also the object center in this case.

Low-rank factorization

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u}_{fp} \\ \tilde{v}_{fp} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_f^{1T} \\ r_f^{2T} \end{bmatrix} s_p$$

Stack the registered measurement to create



$$\tilde{W} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{U} \\ \tilde{V} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_1^{1T} \\ \vdots \\ r_F^{1T} \\ r_1^{2T} \\ \vdots \\ r_F^{2T} \end{bmatrix} [s_1 \quad s_2 \quad \cdots \quad s_p] = \tilde{R}S$$

$$\tilde{W} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{U} \\ \tilde{V} \end{bmatrix}_{2F \times P}, \tilde{U}_{F \times P}, \tilde{V}_{F \times P},$$

$$\tilde{U}(f, p) = \tilde{u}_{fp}, \tilde{V}(f, p) = \tilde{v}_{fp}$$

Recall: $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min(\text{rank}A, \text{rank}B) \Rightarrow$

Rank Theorem: Without observation noise, the registered measure matrix \tilde{W} is at most rank three (simply because the *motion matrix* \tilde{R} and the *structure matrix* S are rank three).

With noise, the rank of the registered measurement matrix is not exactly zero, But this problem can be solved by keeping only components related to the **first three largest** singular value through singular value decomposition (SVD).

Rank-3 factorization

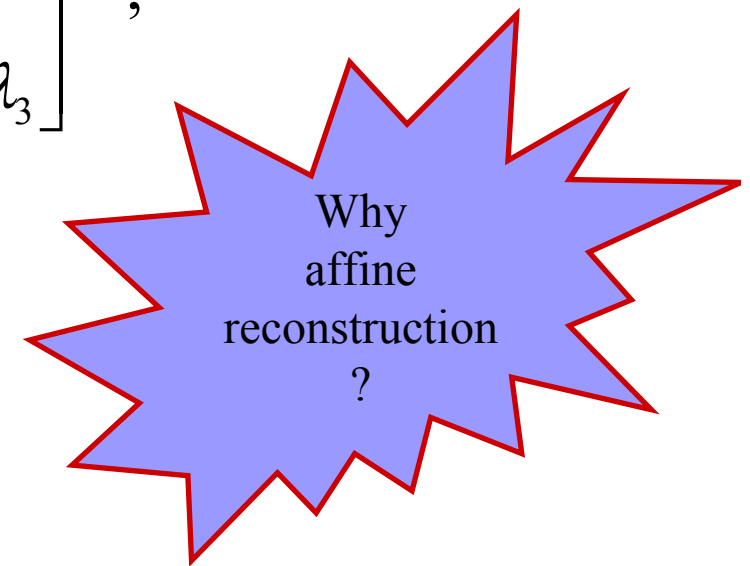
- Factorize the **registered measurement matrix** through singular value decomposition

$$\tilde{W} = \mathbf{U}\Sigma\mathbf{V}^T = \tilde{R}\tilde{S}$$

- An **affine reconstruction** is obtained by keeping space spanned by the singular vectors corresponding to the first three largest singular values.

$$\hat{R} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ & & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix}^{1/2},$$

$$\hat{S} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ & & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix}^{1/2} \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T \\ v_2^T \\ v_3^T \end{bmatrix}$$



Metric Upgrade



A metric reconstruction can be obtained as follows by finding Q

$$\tilde{R} = \hat{R}Q, S = Q^{-1}\hat{S}$$

Where Q is computed from according to the following constraint for a rotation matrix

$$r_f^{1T} r_f^1 = 1, \quad r_f^{2T} r_f^2 = 1, \quad r_f^{1T} r_f^2 = 0$$



$$\hat{r}_f^{1T} Q Q^T \hat{r}_f^1 = 1, \quad \hat{r}_f^{2T} Q Q^T \hat{r}_f^2 = 1, \quad \hat{r}_f^{1T} Q Q^T \hat{r}_f^2 = 0$$

- Three linear equations per view on symmetric matrix $C = Q Q^T$ (6DOF)
- Q can be then obtained from C through Cholesky factorization.
- Select the world system aligned with the first camera frame, i.e.

$$r_1^{1T} = [1, 0, 0] \text{ and } r_1^{2T} = [0, 1, 0].$$

Recovery of Camera Translation



- Camera translation can only be recovered partially.

Raw image feature points

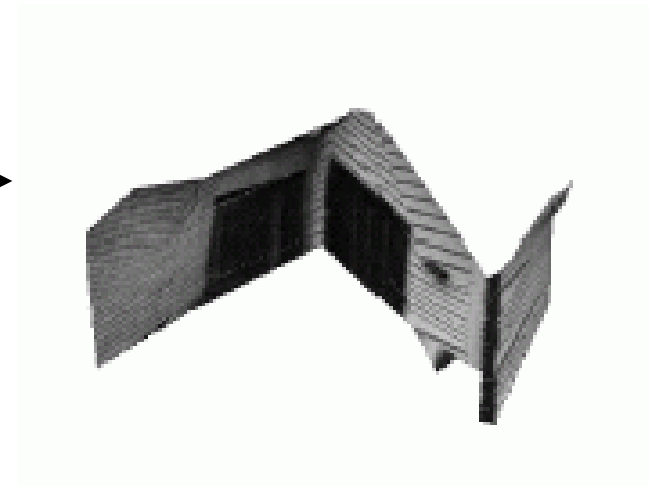
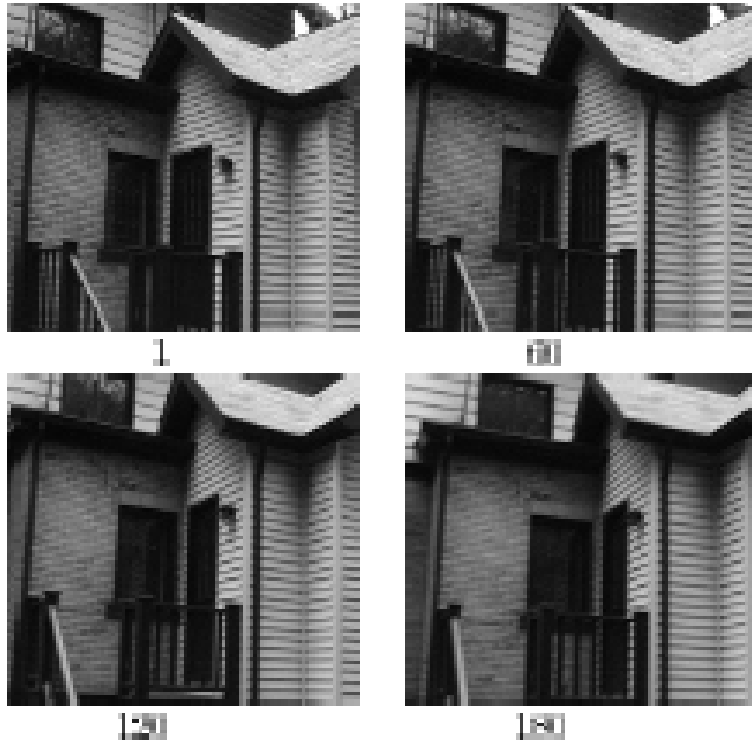
$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} u_{fp} \\ v_{fp} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u}_{fp} \\ \tilde{v}_{fp} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_f \\ \bar{v}_f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_f^{1T} \\ r_f^{2T} \end{bmatrix} s_p + \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_f \\ \bar{v}_f \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} r^{1T} & \bar{u}_f \\ r^{2T} & \bar{v}_f \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r^{1T} & -r_f^{1T} \tilde{C}_f \\ r^{2T} & -r_f^{2T} \tilde{C}_f \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow -r_f^{1T} \tilde{C}_f = \bar{u}_f, \quad -r_f^{2T} \tilde{C}_f = \bar{v}_f \end{aligned}$$

Projection matrix for the original raw feature points in the world coordinate with origin at the object center.

Examples



3D Pose and 3D rigid Object





Projective Reconstruction from Uncalibrated Images

The projective reconstruction theorem

If a set of point correspondences in two views determine the fundamental matrix uniquely, then the scene and cameras may be reconstructed from these correspondences alone, and any two such reconstructions from these correspondences are projectively equivalent

$$x_i \leftrightarrow x'_i \quad (P_1, P_1', \{X_{1i}\}) \quad (P_2, P_2', \{X_{2i}\})$$

$$P_2 = P_1 H^{-1} \quad P_2' = P_1' H^{-1} \quad X_2 = H X_1 \quad (\text{except: } F x_i = x_i' F = 0)$$

theorem from last class

$$P_2(HX_{1i}) = P_1 H^{-1} H X_{1i} = P_1 X_{1i} = x_i = P_2 X_{2i}$$

\Rightarrow along same ray of P_2 , idem for P_2'

two possibilities: $X_{2i} = H X_{1i}$, or points along baseline

key result: allows reconstruction from pair of uncalibrated images

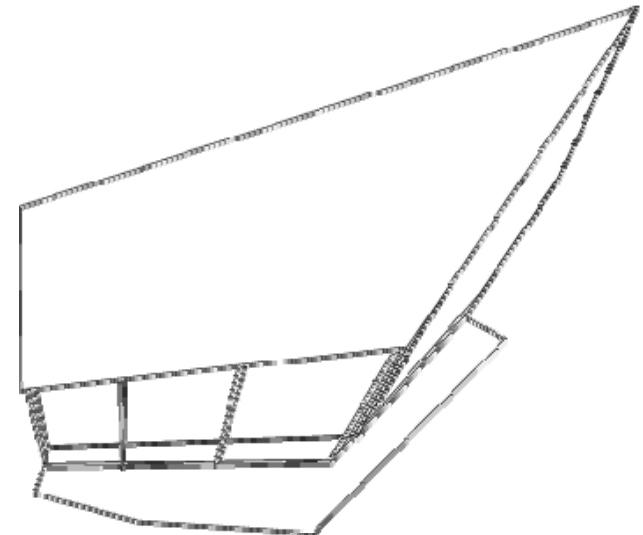
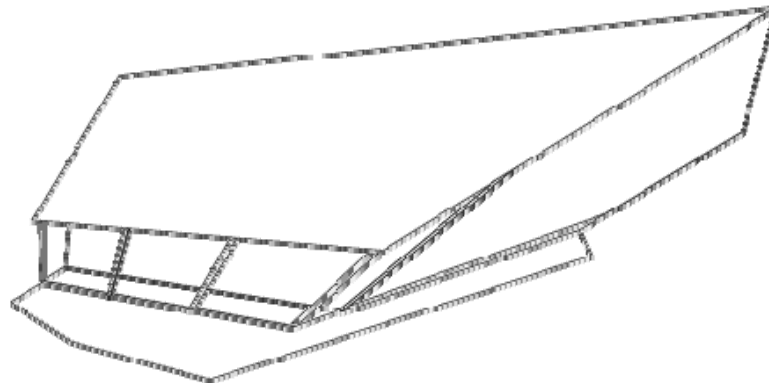


Image Sensing and Understanding

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Projective ambiguity



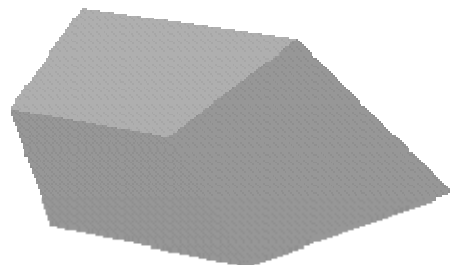
Reconstruction from uncalibrated images

⇒ the projective transformation is the only ambiguity between from a projective reconstruction to a metric construction.

$$\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{M} = (\mathbf{P} \mathbf{T}^{-1}) (\mathbf{T} \mathbf{M})$$

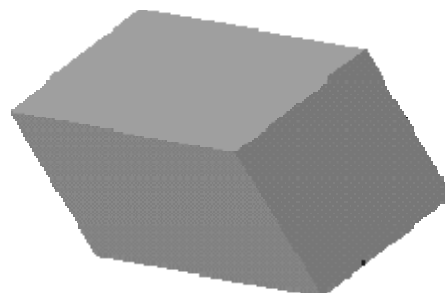
Stratification of geometry

Projective



15 DOF

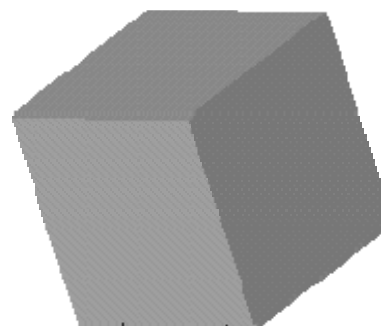
Affine



12 DOF

plane at infinity
parallelism

Metric



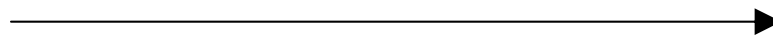
7 DOF

absolute conic
angles, rel.dist.

More general



More structure



Projective reconstruction



- Factorization-based methods
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Projective Reconstruction via Perspective Factorization

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Goal



- Obtain a projective reconstruction of the scene and the projection matrices using a set of feature correspondences through matrix factorization

Perspective factorization



The camera equations

$$\lambda_{fp} \mathbf{m}_{fp} = \mathbf{P}_f \mathbf{M}_p, f = 1, \dots, F, p = 1, \dots, P$$

for a fixed image f can be written in matrix form as

$$\mathbf{m}_f \Lambda_f = \mathbf{P}_f \mathbf{M}$$

where

$$\mathbf{m}_f = [m_{f1}, m_{f2}, \dots, m_{fP}], \mathbf{M} = [\mathbf{M}_1, \mathbf{M}_2, \dots, \mathbf{M}_P]$$

$$\Lambda_f = \text{diag}(\lambda_{f1}, \lambda_{f2}, \dots, \lambda_{fP})$$

projective depth

Remark: for the orthographic projection, the projective depth of all the image points in all image frames are identical. Hence, projective depth is not taken into account in the factorization method for SfM using an orthographic projection model.

Rank-4 perspective factorization



All equations can be collected for all f as

$$\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{M}$$

where

$$\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 \Lambda_1 \\ \mathbf{m}_2 \Lambda_2 \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{m}_F \Lambda_F \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 \\ \mathbf{P}_2 \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{P}_F \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{M} = [\mathbf{M}_1, \mathbf{M}_2, \dots, \mathbf{M}_P]$$

Remarks:

- In these formulas m_f are known, but Λ_f, \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{M} are all unknown.
- Observe that $\mathbf{W}=\mathbf{P}\mathbf{M}$ is a product of a $3F \times 4$ matrix and a $4 \times P$ matrix, i.e. it is a rank 4 matrix.

Rank-4 factorization



Assume that $\{\Lambda_f\}_{f=1,\dots,F}$ are known, then \mathbf{W} is known.

Use the singular value decomposition

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

In the noise-free case:

$$\mathbf{S} = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4, 0, \dots, 0)$$

and a reconstruction can be obtained by setting:

\mathbf{P} = the first four columns of $\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}$.

\mathbf{M} = the first four rows of \mathbf{V} .

Iterative rank-4 perspective factorization

When $\{\Lambda_f\}$ are unknown the following algorithm can be used:

1. Set $\lambda_{fp} = 1$ (affine approximation).
2. Factorize $W = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{M}$ and obtain an estimate of \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{M} .
3. Use \mathbf{m} , \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{M} to update Λ_i from the camera equations (linearly) so that $\mathbf{m}_f \Lambda_f = \mathbf{P}_f \mathbf{M}$.

If $\{\Lambda_f\}$ are the same as the previous iteration or σ_5 is sufficiently small, STOP the iteration. Otherwise goto 2.

Projective reconstruction Using F: Outline



- (i) Compute F from correspondences
- (ii) Compute camera matrices from F
- (iii) Compute 3D point for each pair of corresponding points

computation of F

use $x'_i F x_i = 0$ equations, linear in coeff. F


8 points (linear), 7 points (non-linear), 8+ (least-squares)
(more on this next class)

computation of camera matrices

use $P = [I | 0]$ $P' = [[e']_x F + e' v^T | \lambda e']$

triangulation

compute intersection of two backprojected rays using the method introduced in the beginning of the lecture



Automatic Metric Upgrading from Projective Reconstruction (Self-Calibration)

Projective ambiguity



Reconstruction from uncalibrated images

⇒ Recall that the projective transformation is the only ambiguity between from a projective reconstruction to a metric construction.

$$\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{M} = (\mathbf{P} \mathbf{T}^{-1})(\mathbf{T} \mathbf{M})$$



Motivation



- Allow flexible acquisition
 - No prior calibration necessary
 - Possibility to vary intrinsic parameters
 - Use archive footage

Constraints ?



- Scene constraints
 - Parallellism, vanishing points, horizon, ...
 - Distances, positions, angles, ...

Unknown scene → no constraints

- Camera extrinsics constraints

- Pose, orientation, ...

Unknown camera motion → no constraints

- Camera intrinsics constraints

- Focal length, principal point, aspect ratio & skew

Knowledge about the camera intrinsic parameters

→ some constraints

Euclidean projection matrix

Factorization of Euclidean projection matrix

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}^T & -\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Intrinsics: } \mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & s & u_x \\ & f_y & u_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{camera geometry})$$

$$\text{Extrinsics: } (\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{t}) \quad (\text{camera motion})$$

Note: every projection matrix can be factorized,
but only meaningful for euclidean projection matrices

Constraints on intrinsic parameters



$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & s & u_x \\ & f_y & u_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Constant
e.g. fixed camera: $\mathbf{K}_1 = \mathbf{K}_2 = \dots$

- Known
e.g. rectangular pixels: $s = 0$
square pixels: $f_x = f_y, s = 0$
principal point known:

$$(u_x, u_y) = \left(\frac{w}{2}, \frac{h}{2} \right)$$

Self-calibration



Upgrade from *projective* structure to *metric* structure using *constraints on intrinsic* camera parameters

- Constant intrinsics

(Faugeras et al. ECCV'92, Hartley'93, Triggs'97, Pollefeys et al. PAMI'98, ...)

- Some known intrinsics, others varying

(Heyden&Astrom CVPR'97, Pollefeys et al. ICCV'98)

- Constraints on intrinsics and restricted motion
(e.g. pure translation, pure rotation, planar motion)

(Moons et al.'94, Hartley '94, Armstrong ECCV'96, ...)

Conics & Quadrics



conics

$$m^T C m = 0 \quad l^T C^* l = 0$$
$$C^* = C^{-1}$$

quadrics

$$M^T Q M = 0 \quad \Pi^T Q^* \Pi = 0$$
$$Q^* = Q^{-1}$$

transformations

$$C \mapsto H^{-T} C H^{-1}$$
$$C^* \mapsto H C^* H^T$$

$$Q \mapsto T^{-T} Q T^{-1}$$
$$Q^* \mapsto T Q^* T^T$$

projection

$$C^* \sim P Q^* P^T$$

The Absolute Conic



Ω_∞ is a specific imaginary conic on π_∞ ,
 $X_1^2 + X_2^2 + X_3^2 = 0$ and $X_4 = 0$
for canonical mapping (metric frame)

or $(X_1, X_2, X_3)\mathbf{I}(X_1, X_2, X_3)^T$ in π_∞

Remember, the absolute conic is fixed under H
if, and only if, H is a similarity transformation

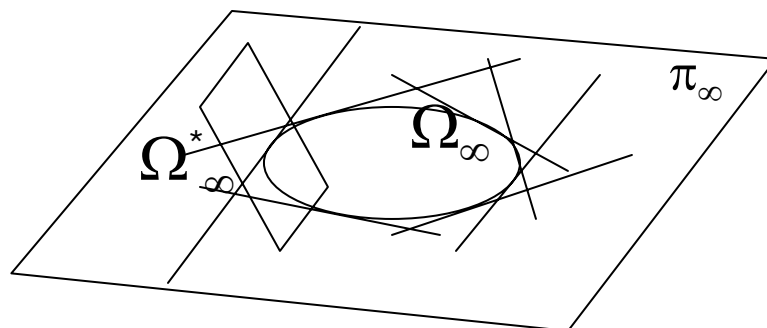
Image related to intrinsic parameters

The Absolute Dual Quadric

(Triggs CVPR '97)

Degenerate dual quadric Ω_{∞}^*

Encodes both absolute conic Ω_{∞} and π_{∞}



for metric frame:
$$\pi^T \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \pi = 0$$

The image of the absolute conic (IAC)

$$C \mapsto H^{-T}CH^{-1}$$

$$\Omega_{\infty} = I, H = KR$$

$$\omega = K^{-T}R^{-T} I R^{-1}K^{-1} = K^{-T}K^{-1} = (KK^T)^{-1}$$

- (i) IAC depends only on intrinsic parameters.
- (ii) angle between two rays (i.e. two directions)

$$\cos \theta = \frac{x_1^T \omega x_2}{\sqrt{(x_1^T \omega x_1)(x_2^T \omega x_2)}}$$

Dual Image of the Absolute Conic is

$$\text{(DIAC)} = \omega^* = KK^T$$

It is also the image of the absolute dual quadric (IADQ) DIAC=IADQ

$\omega \Leftrightarrow K$ (Cholesky factorization). ω Can be determined by images of circular points.

Absolute Dual Quadric and Self-calibration

Projection of dual quadric

$$\mathbf{P}\Omega_{\infty}^*\mathbf{P}^T \propto \mathbf{K}\mathbf{K}^T \quad \Omega_{\infty}^* = \text{diag}(1,1,1,0)$$

Abs. Dual Quadric also exists in projective world

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{K}\mathbf{K}^T &\propto \mathbf{P}\Omega_{\infty}^*\mathbf{P}^T \propto (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{T}^{-1})(\mathbf{T}\Omega_{\infty}^*\mathbf{T}^T)(\mathbf{T}^{-T}\mathbf{P}^T) \\ &\propto \mathbf{P}'\Omega_{\infty}'^*\mathbf{P}'^T \end{aligned}$$

8 d.o.f.

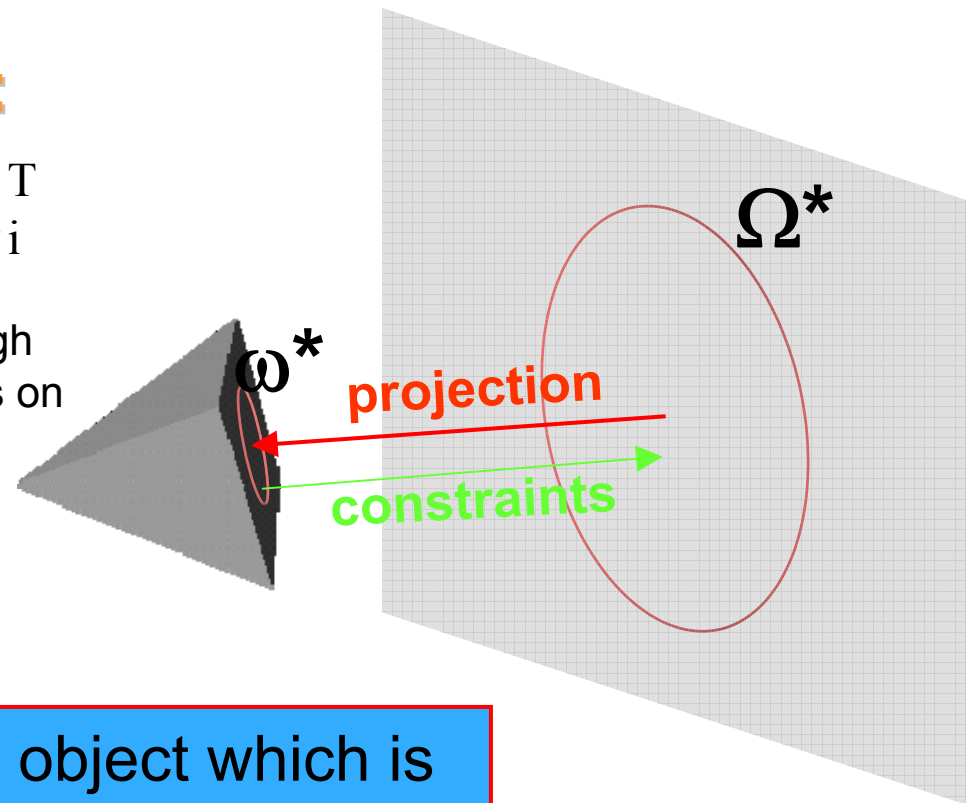
Transforming world so that $\Omega_{\infty}'^* \rightarrow \Omega_{\infty}^*$
reduces ambiguity to metric

Absolute Dual Quadric and Self-calibration

Projection equation:

$$\omega_i^* \propto \mathbf{P}_i \Omega^* \mathbf{P}_i^T \propto \mathbf{K}_i \mathbf{K}_i^T$$

Translate constraints on \mathbf{K} through projection equation to constraints on Ω^*



Absolute conic = calibration object which is always present but can only be observed through constraints on the intrinsics

Constraints on ω^*

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & s & c_x \\ & f_y & c_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \omega_{\infty}^* = \begin{bmatrix} f_x^2 + s^2 + c_x^2 & sf_y + c_x c_y & c_x \\ sf_y + c_x c_y & f_y^2 + c_y^2 & c_y \\ c_x & c_y & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad m, \text{ number of frames}$$

condition	constraint	type	#constraints
Zero skew	$\omega_{12}^* \omega_{33}^* = \omega_{13}^* \omega_{23}^*$	quadratic	m
Principal point	$\omega_{13}^* = \omega_{23}^* = 0$	linear	$2m$
Zero skew (& p.p.)	$\omega_{12}^* = 0$	linear	m
Fixed (unknown) aspect ratio (& p.p.& Skew)	$\omega_{11}^* \omega_{22}'^* = \omega_{22}^* \omega_{11}'^*$	quadratic	$m-1$
Known aspect ratio (& p.p.& Skew)	$\omega_{11}^* = \omega_{22}^*$	linear	m

Linear algorithm



(Pollefeys et al., ICCV '98/IJCV '99)

Assume everything known, except focal length, which could be varying.

$$\omega_{\infty}^* \approx \begin{bmatrix} \hat{f}^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{f}^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \propto \mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^*\mathbf{P}^T$$
$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^*\mathbf{P}^T)_{11} - (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^*\mathbf{P}^T)_{22} &= 0 \\ (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^*\mathbf{P}^T)_{12} &= 0 \\ (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^*\mathbf{P}^T)_{13} &= 0 \\ (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^*\mathbf{P}^T)_{23} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Yields 4 constraint per image

Note that rank-3 constraint is not enforced

Linear algorithm revisited

(Pollefeys et al., ECCV'02)

Weighted linear equations

$$\mathbf{K}\mathbf{K}^T \approx \begin{bmatrix} \hat{f}^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{f}^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{0.2} (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^* \mathbf{P}^T)_{11} - (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^* \mathbf{P}^T)_{22} &= 0 \\ \frac{1}{0.01} (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^* \mathbf{P}^T)_{12} &= 0 \\ \frac{1}{0.1} (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^* \mathbf{P}^T)_{13} &= 0 \\ \frac{1}{0.1} (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^* \mathbf{P}^T)_{23} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{f} \approx 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{9} (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^* \mathbf{P}^T)_{11} - (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^* \mathbf{P}^T)_{33} &= 0 \\ \frac{1}{9} (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^* \mathbf{P}^T)_{22} - (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Omega}^* \mathbf{P}^T)_{33} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

assumptions

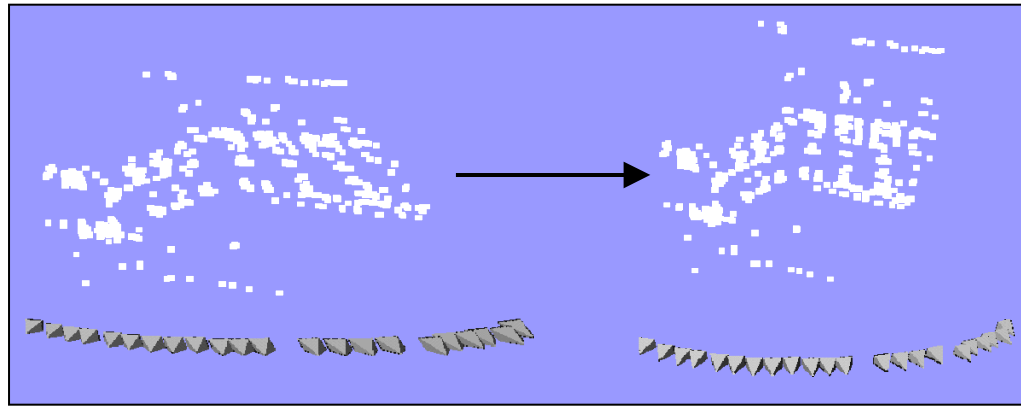
$$\begin{aligned} \log(\hat{f}_x) &\approx \log(1) \pm \log(3) & c_x &\approx 0 \pm 0.1 & s &= 0 \\ \log\left(\frac{\hat{f}_x}{\hat{f}_y}\right) &\approx \log(1) \pm \log(1.1) & c_y &\approx 0 \pm 0.1 \end{aligned}$$

Projective to metric



Compute \mathbf{T} from $\tilde{\mathbf{I}} = \mathbf{T}\mathbf{\Omega}_{\infty}^*\mathbf{T}^T$ or $\mathbf{T}^{-1}\tilde{\mathbf{I}}\mathbf{T}^{-T} = \mathbf{\Omega}_{\infty}^*$ with $\tilde{\mathbf{I}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$

using eigen decomposition of $\mathbf{\Omega}_{\infty}^*$
and then obtain metric reconstruction as \mathbf{PT}^{-1} and \mathbf{TM}



Critical motion sequences

(Sturm, CVPR'97, Kahl, ICCV'99, Pollefeys, PhD'99)

- Self-calibration depends on camera motion
- Motion sequence is not always general enough
- **Critical Motion Sequences** have more than one potential absolute conic satisfying all constraints
- Possible to derive classification of CMS

Critical motion sequences: constant intrinsic parameters

Most important cases for constant intrinsics

Critical motion type	ambiguity
pure translation	affine transformation (5DOF)
pure rotation	arbitrary position for Π_{∞} (3DOF)
orbital motion	proj.distortion along rot. axis (2DOF)
planar motion	scaling axis \perp plane (1DOF)

Note relation between *critical motion sequences* and *restricted motion algorithms*

Critical motion sequences: varying focal length

Most important cases for varying focal length (other parameters known)

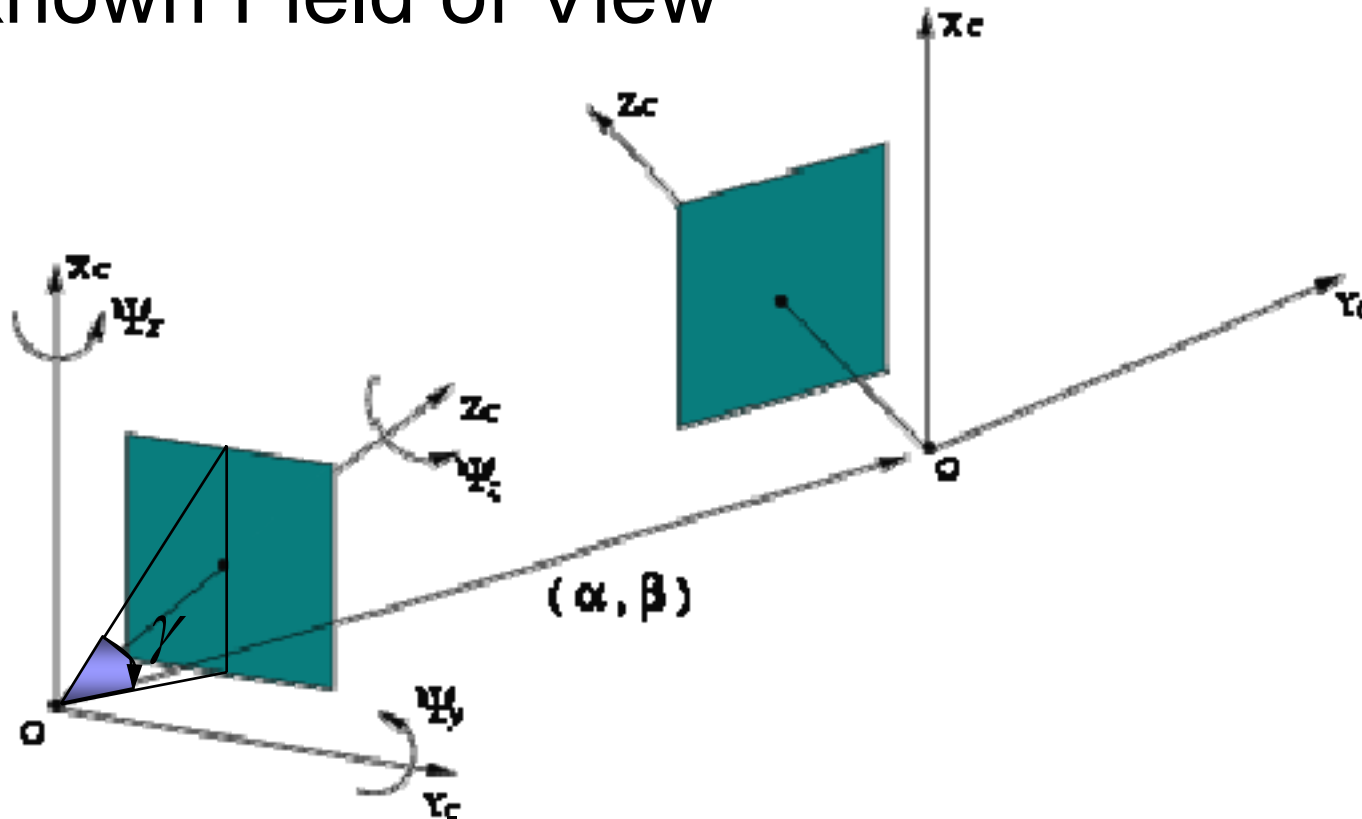
Critical motion type	ambiguity
pure rotation	arbitrary position for Π_∞ (3DOF)
forward motion	proj.distortion along opt. axis (2DOF)
translation and rot. about opt. axis	scaling optical axis (1DOF)
hyperbolic and/or elliptic motion	one extra solution



SfM with direct estimation of unknown camera parameters

Reference: G. Qian and R. Chellappa, "[Bayesian Self-Calibration of a Moving Camera](#),"
Computer Vision and Image Understanding, vol. 95, No. 3, pp. 287-316, September 2004

Partially Uncalibrated Camera: Unknown Field of View



$$m_t = (\Psi_x, \Psi_y, \Psi_z, \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$$



Motivation



- Difficulties of Current Methods
 - Sensitivity to measurement noise
 - Requirement of good initial guess
- Challenges
 - Critical motion sequences

Critical Motion Sequences



- Not all camera motion sequences lead to unique camera intrinsic parameters and 3D Euclidean scene reconstruction.
- Camera motion sequences that produce ambiguous Euclidean reconstruction are called critical motion sequences (CMS).
- Identification of CMS
 - Constant calibration [Strum CVPR 1997]
 - Variable calibration [Kahl, Triggs & Astrom JMIV 2000]
 - Unknown (constant / variable) focal length [Strum, BMVC 1999]

CMS for Unknown Focal Length



- Translation with any rotation about the optical axis
- Translation along the optical axis with arbitrary rotation about the center projections at most twice in the sequence
- Translation along an ellipse or a hyperbola with the optical axis tangent to the ellipse or hyperbola.

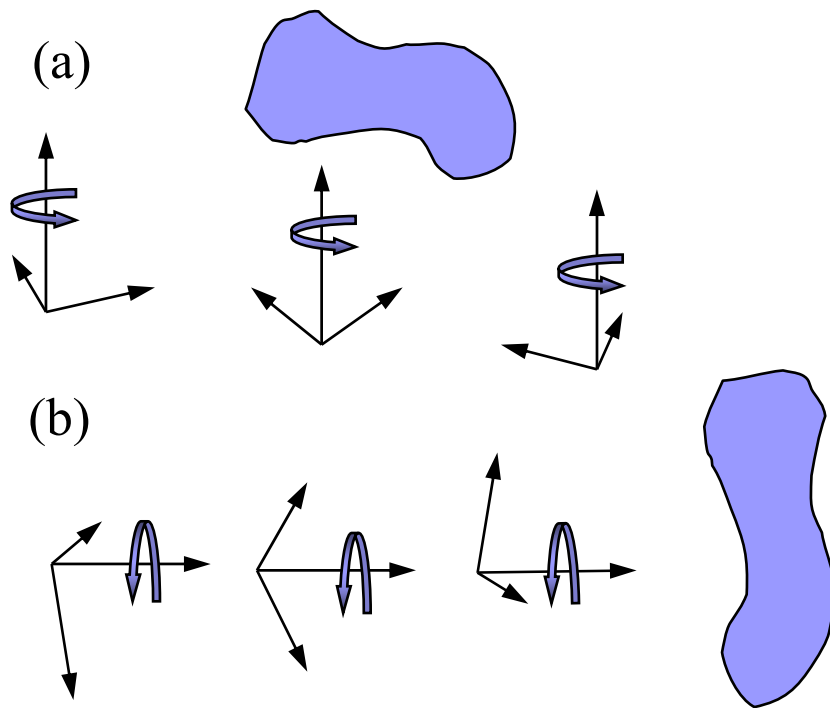
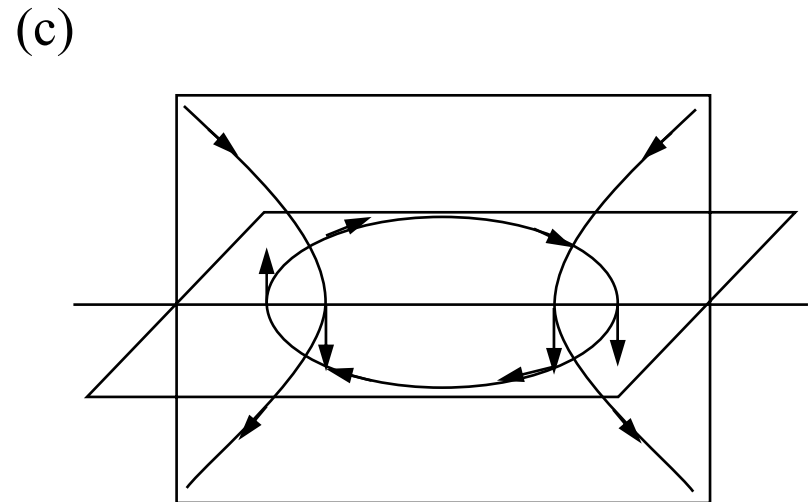


Image Sensing and Understanding



Why *not* Unique?

$$m \cong Pw = A[R \mid -Rt]w$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$m \cong \underbrace{PT}_{P'} \cdot \underbrace{T^{-1}w}_{w'}$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta A & 0 \\ 0 & s \end{bmatrix} \quad \Delta A = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta f & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R \cdot \Delta A = \Delta A \cdot R$$

$$P' = PT$$

$$= A[R \mid -Rt] \begin{bmatrix} \Delta A & 0 \\ 0 & s \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= A[R \cdot \Delta A \mid -sRt]$$

$$= A[R \cdot \Delta A \mid -sR \cdot \Delta A \Delta A^{-1}t]$$

$$= A[\Delta A \cdot R \mid -\Delta A \cdot sR \Delta A^{-1}t]$$

$$= \underbrace{A \cdot \Delta A}_{A'} [R \mid -R \underbrace{s \Delta A^{-1}t}_{t'}]$$

$$m \cong P'w' = A'[R \mid -Rt']w'$$

True v.s. False



$$f_{\Phi} = \Delta f \cdot f_e$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta f & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$t_{\Phi} = \kappa \cdot T \cdot t_e$$

$$\alpha_{\Phi} = \cos^{-1} \frac{\Delta f \cdot \cos \alpha_e}{\sqrt{\Delta f^2 \cdot \cos^2 \alpha_e + \sin^2 \alpha_e}}$$

$$\beta_{\Phi} = \beta_e$$

$$s_{\Phi} = \kappa \cdot T \cdot s_e$$

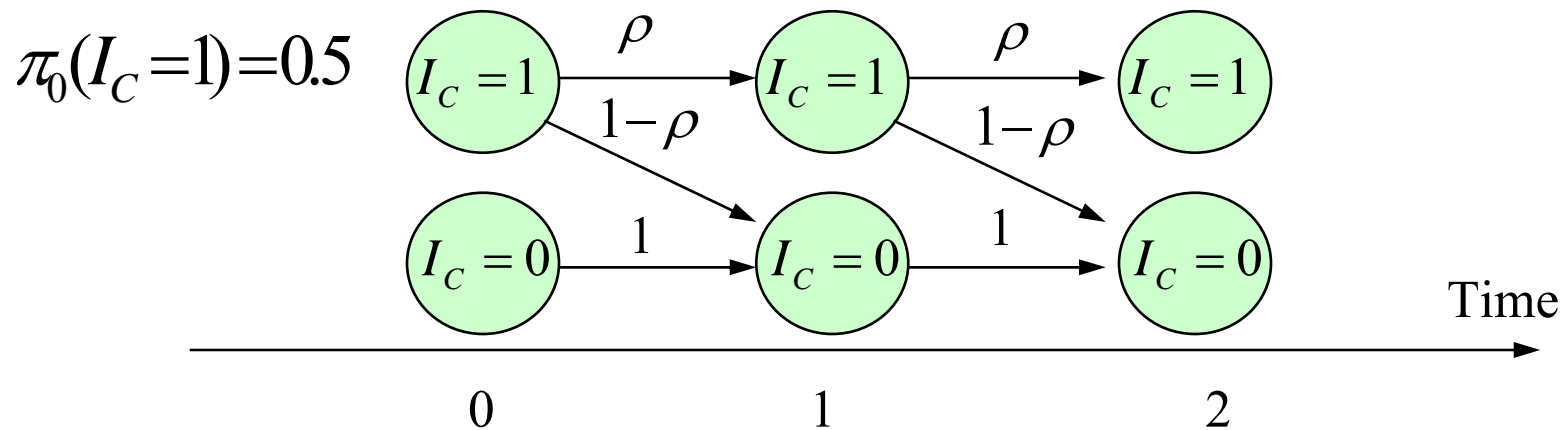
Processing CMS



- Detection of CMS as a hypothesis testing

$$I_C = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{the motion sequence is critical} \\ 0, & \text{the motion sequence is not critical} \end{cases}$$

Modeling of criticalness transition using a Markovian chain



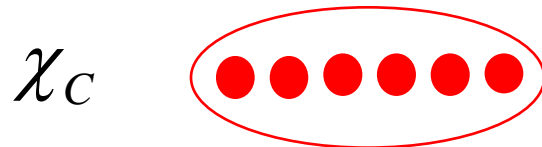
$$\rho = P(I_C(t+1)=0 | I_C(t)=1) = 0.5$$

Posterior Probability of Criticalness

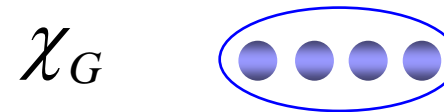


- Critical and general motion sample sets

Critical sample set



General sample set

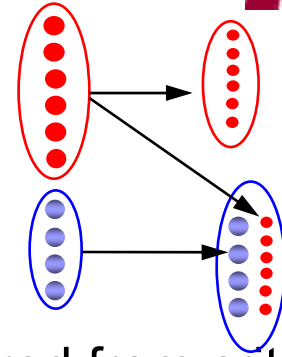


- Posterior probability of the criticalness

$$p(I_C = 1) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum w_c}{\sum w_c + \sum w_g}$$

Sample Transfer and Uniforming

- To implement the criticality transition of a motion sequence, samples in the critical set are transferred to the general set.



- Let $\{x_T^{(j)}, w_T^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^n$ be the samples and weights transferred from critical sample set to the non-critical set. For each sample

(A) Uniformly draw $\Gamma_j = \{\gamma_j^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{n_j}$ from $[0, \pi]$ with

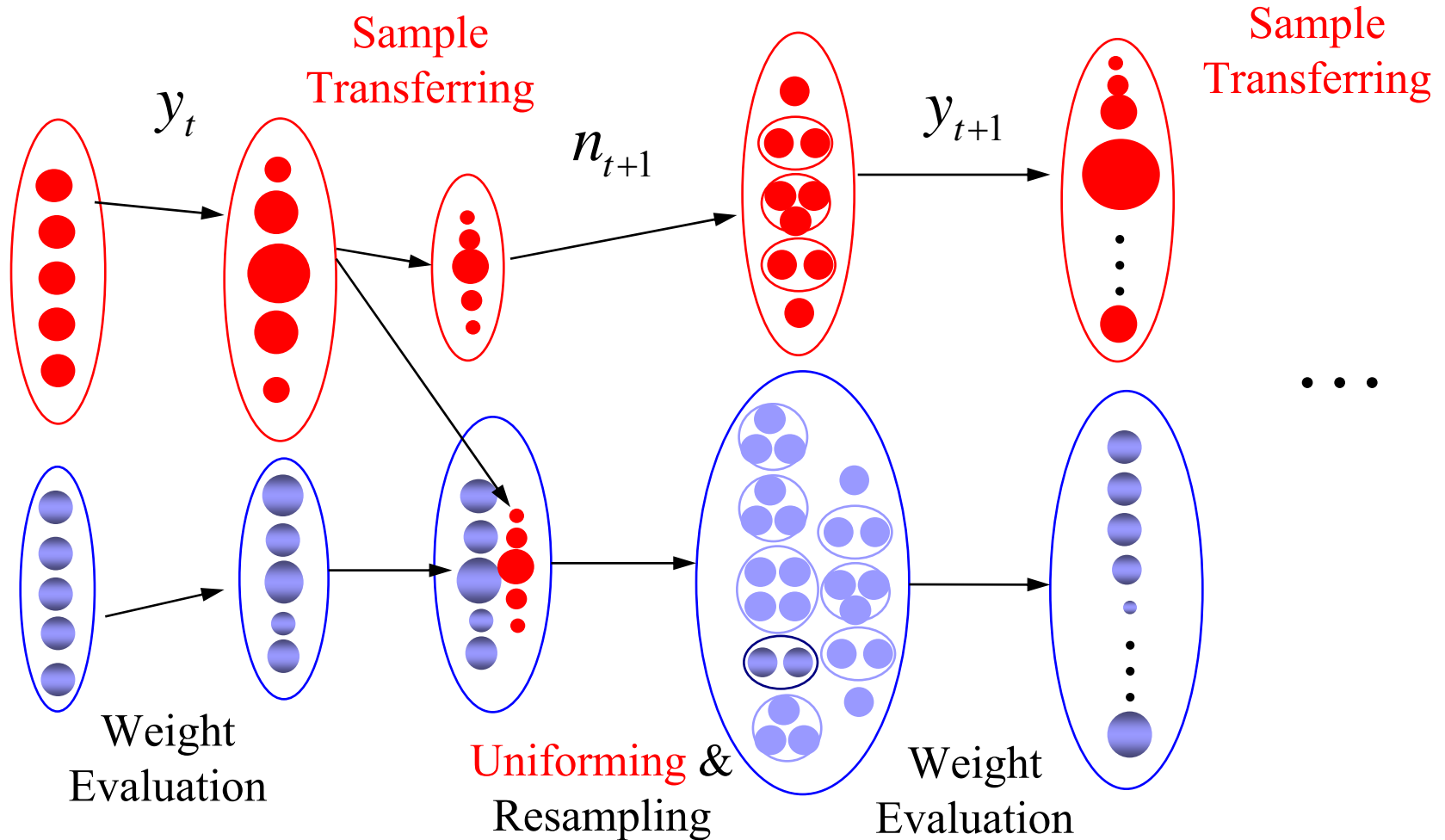
$$x_T^{(j)} = (0, 0, \psi_z, \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$$

(B) For each sample $\gamma_j^{(i)}$, a new sample can be obtained.

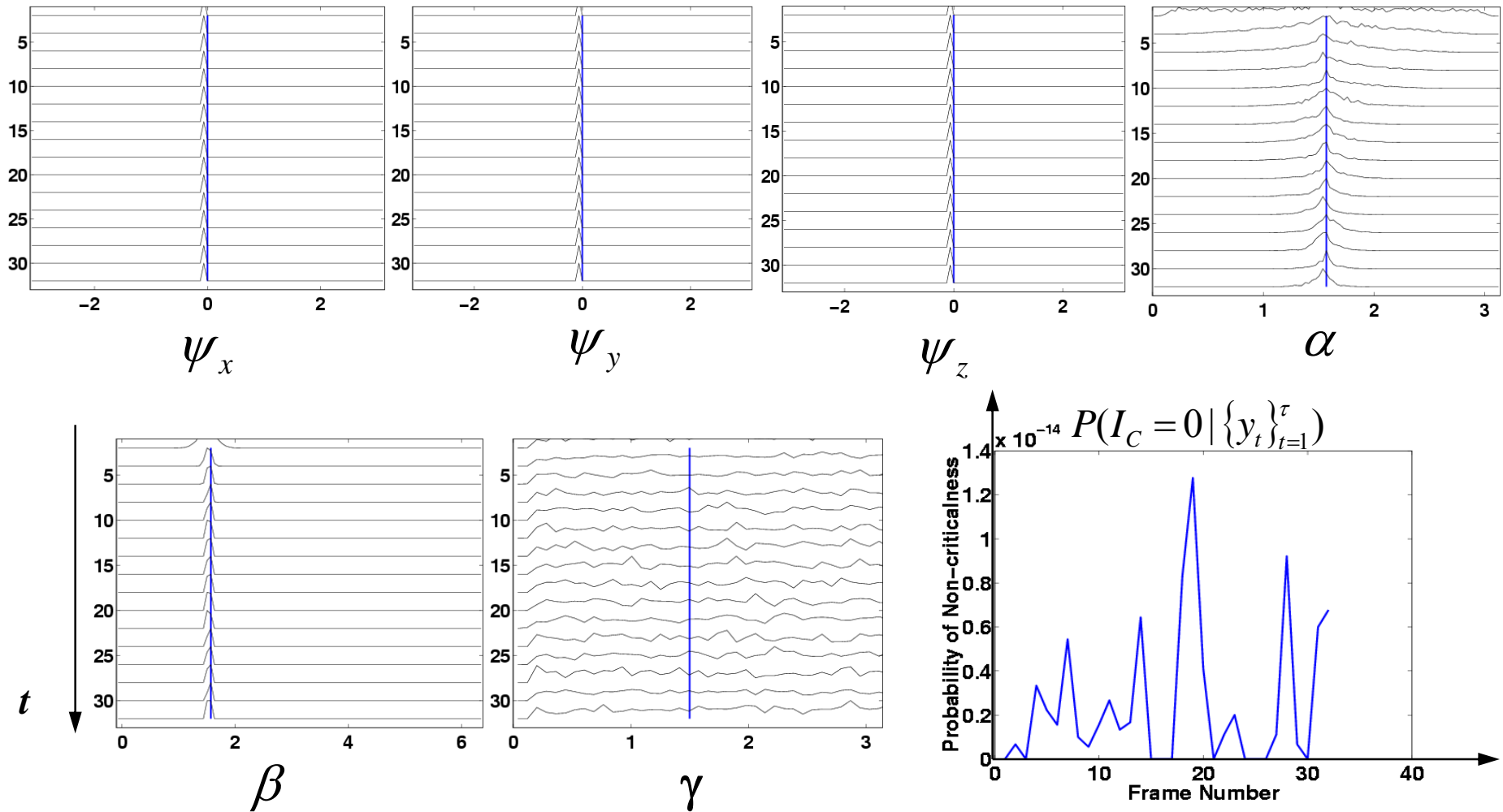
$$n_j = \frac{nw_T^{(j)}}{\sum w_C^{(l)} + \sum w_G^{(l)}}$$

$$x_j^{(i)} = (0, 0, \psi_z, \alpha_j^{(i)}, \beta, \gamma_j^{(i)})$$

The Self-Calibration Algorithm



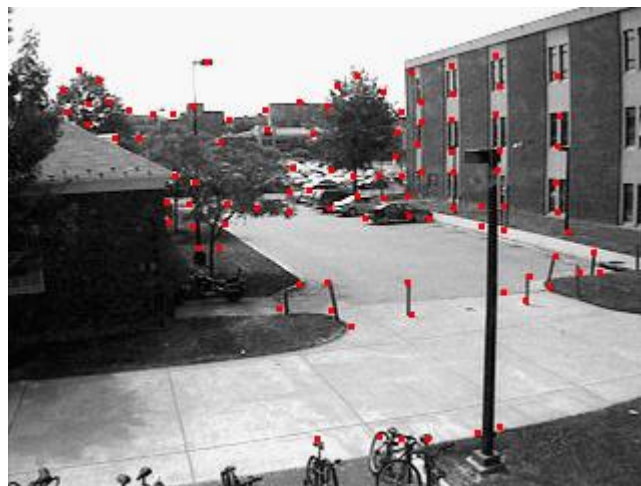
A Critical Motion Sequence: Horizontal Translation



Outdoor Camera

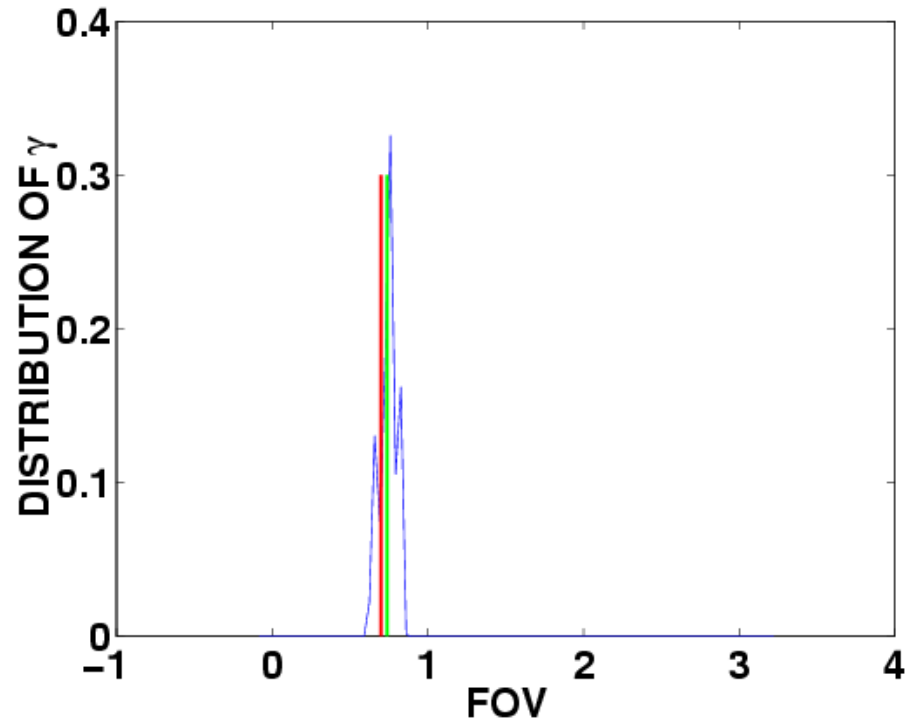


Input video



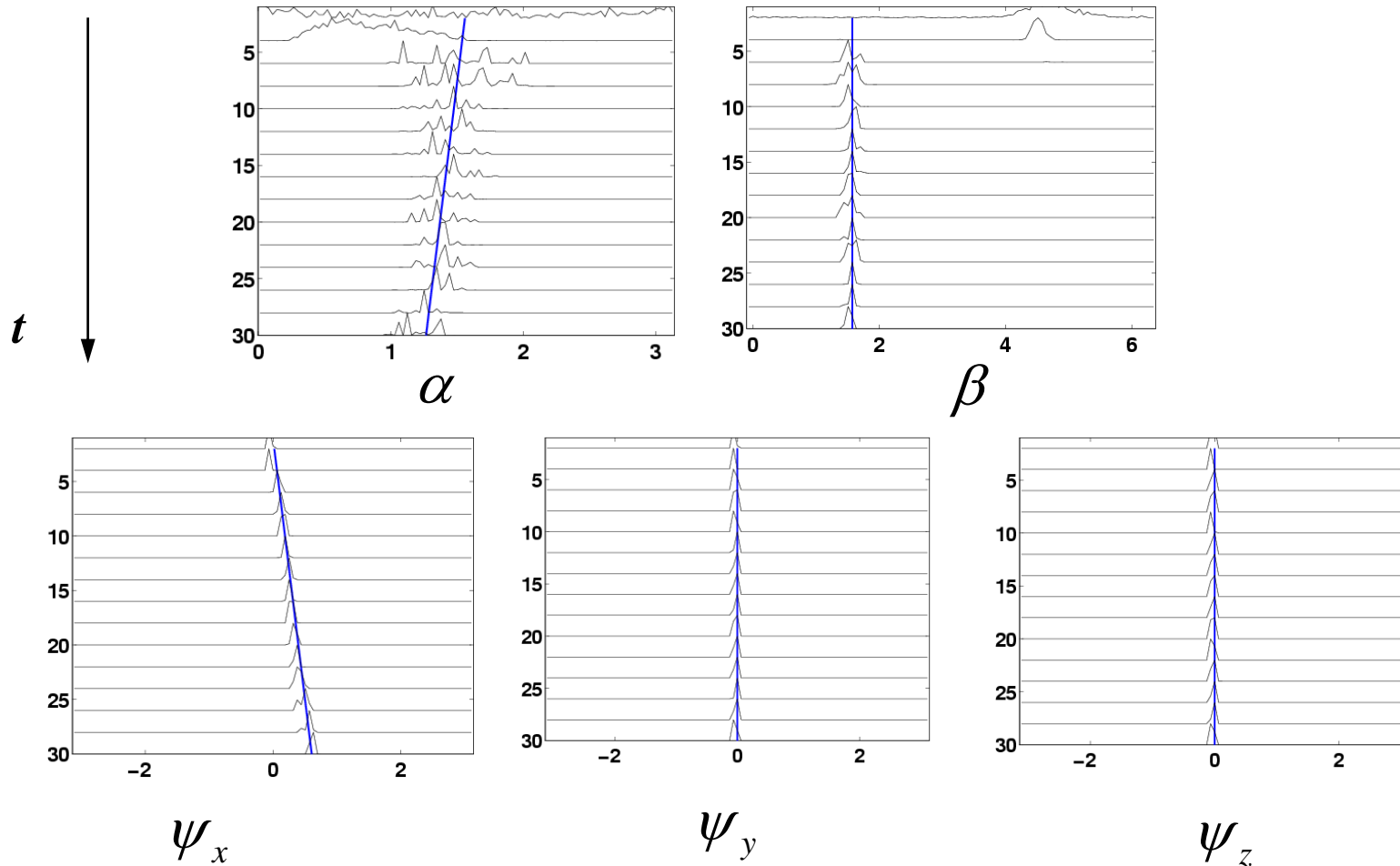
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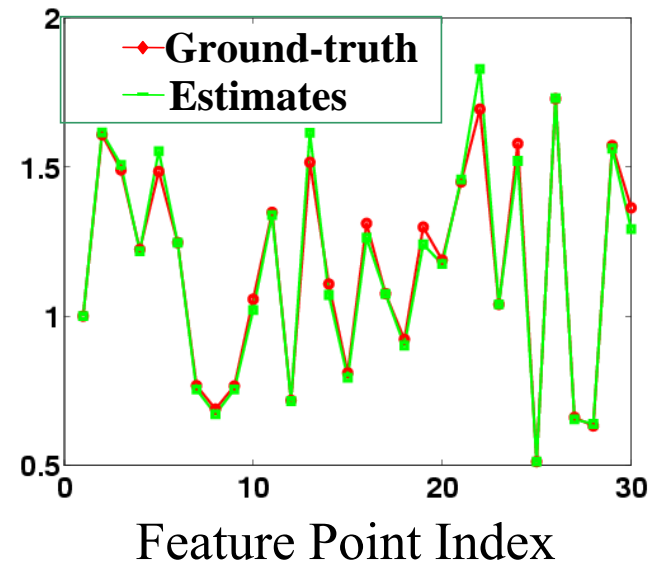
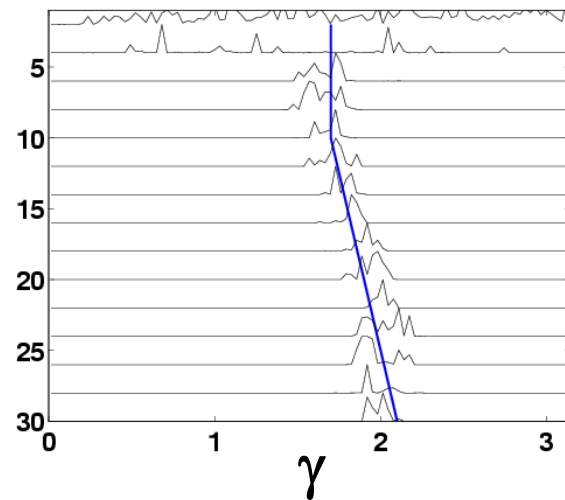
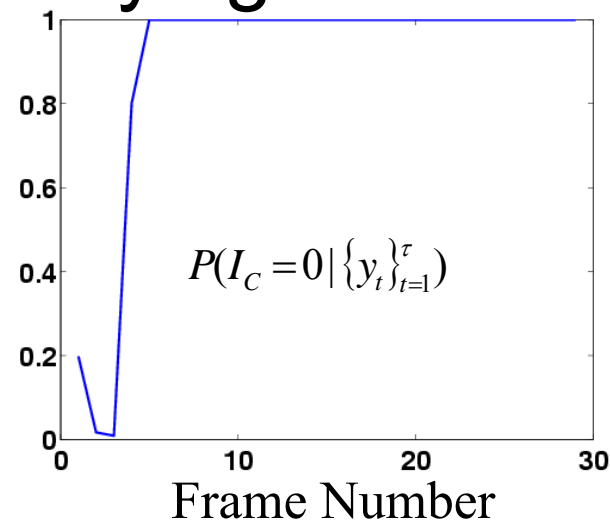
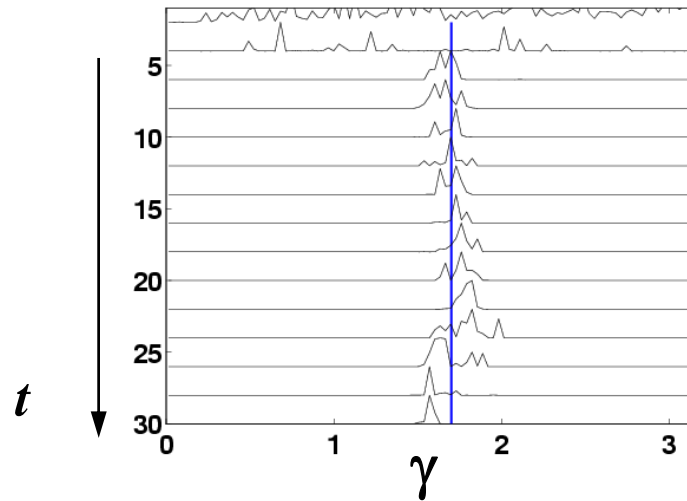


Posterior distribution of field of view

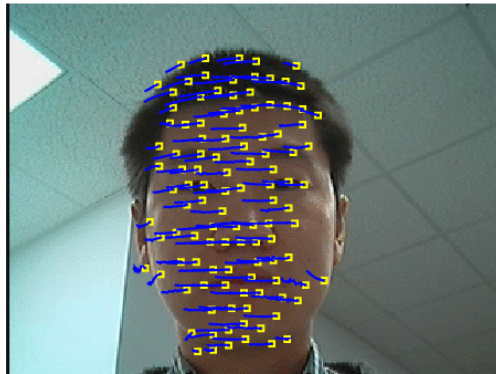
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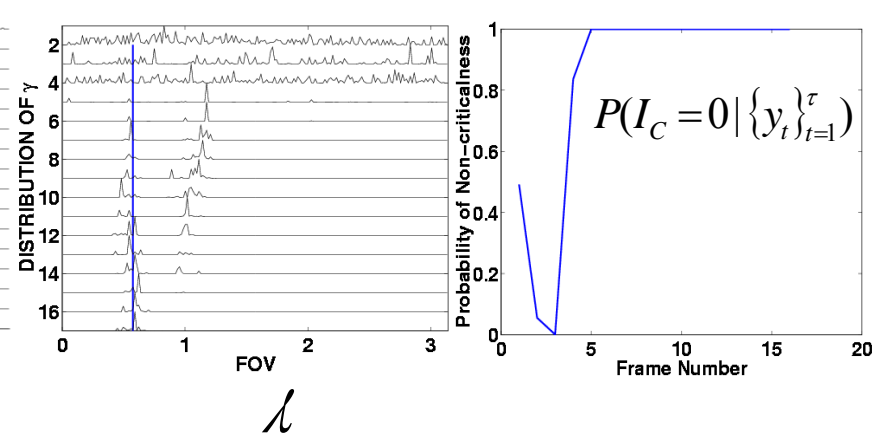
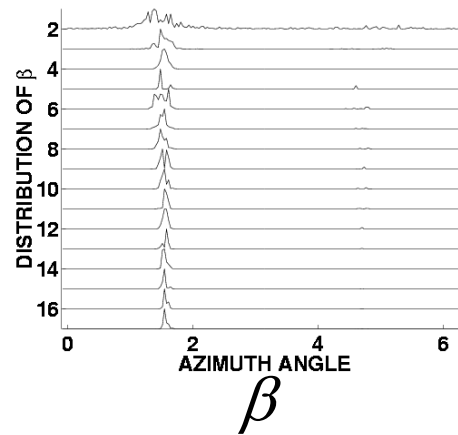
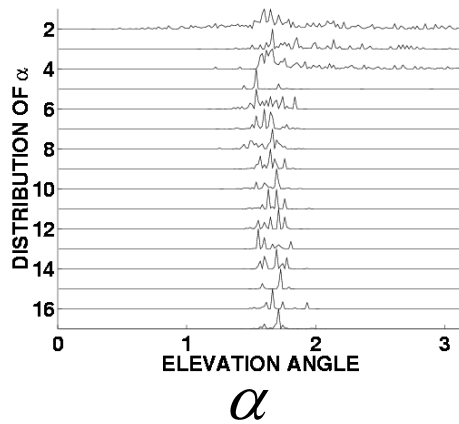
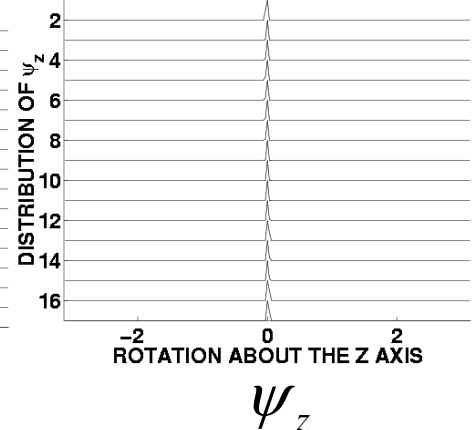
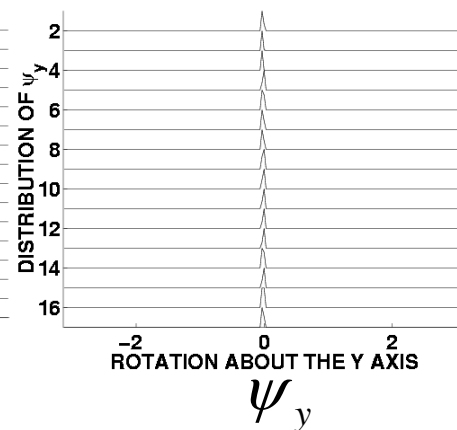
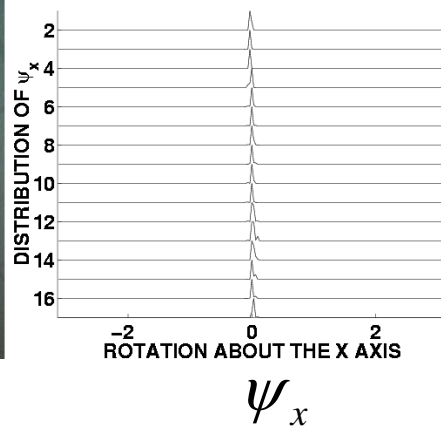
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Face Modeling: Motion Estimates



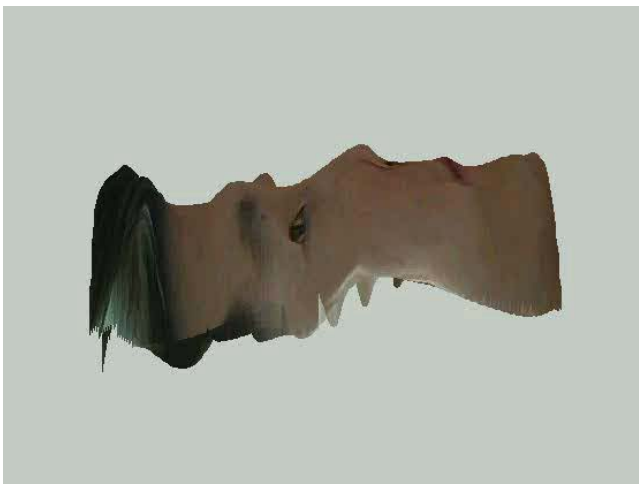
Feature Trajectories



Face Modeling: 3D Reconstruction



Original video



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