

# Geometry of a single camera

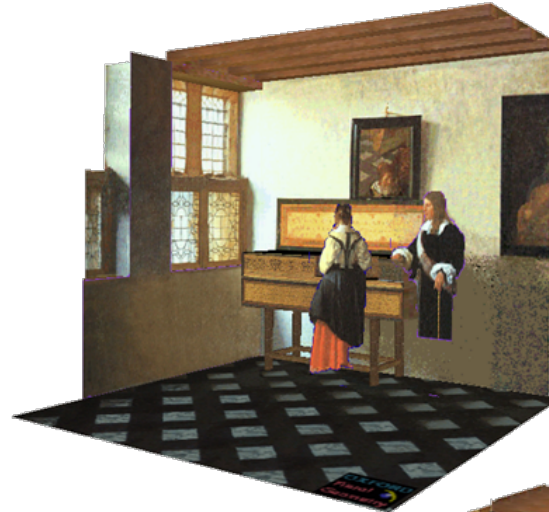
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# Our goal: Recovery of 3D structure

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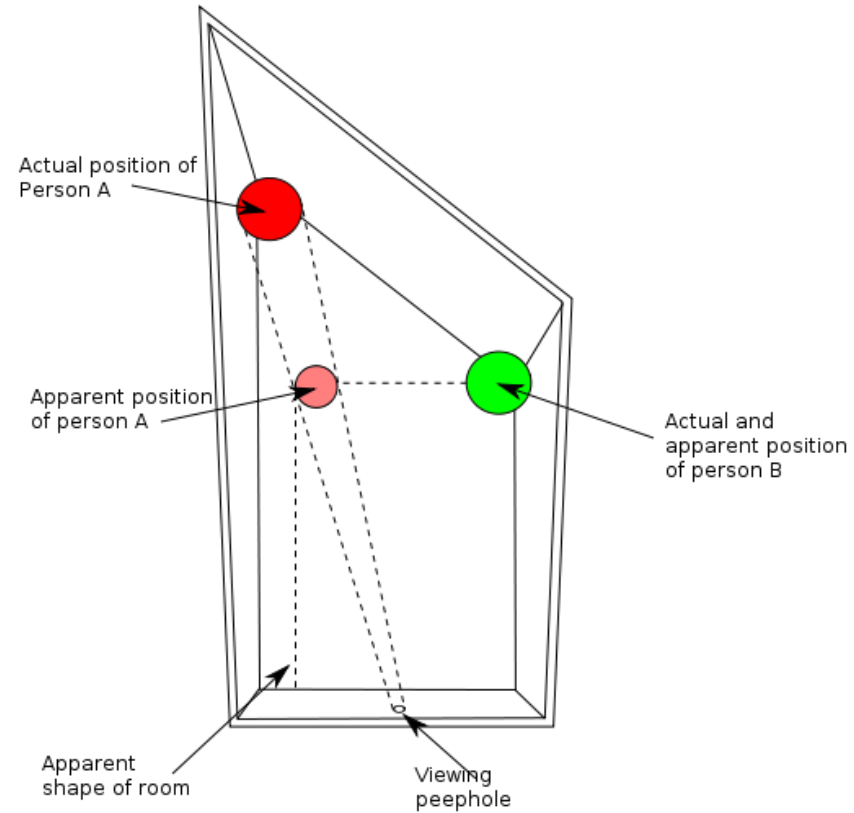
J. Vermeer, *Music Lesson*, 1662



A. Criminisi, M. Kemp, and A. Zisserman, [Bringing Pictorial Space to Life: computer techniques for the analysis of paintings](#), *Proc. Computers and the History of Art*, 2002

# Things aren't always as they appear...

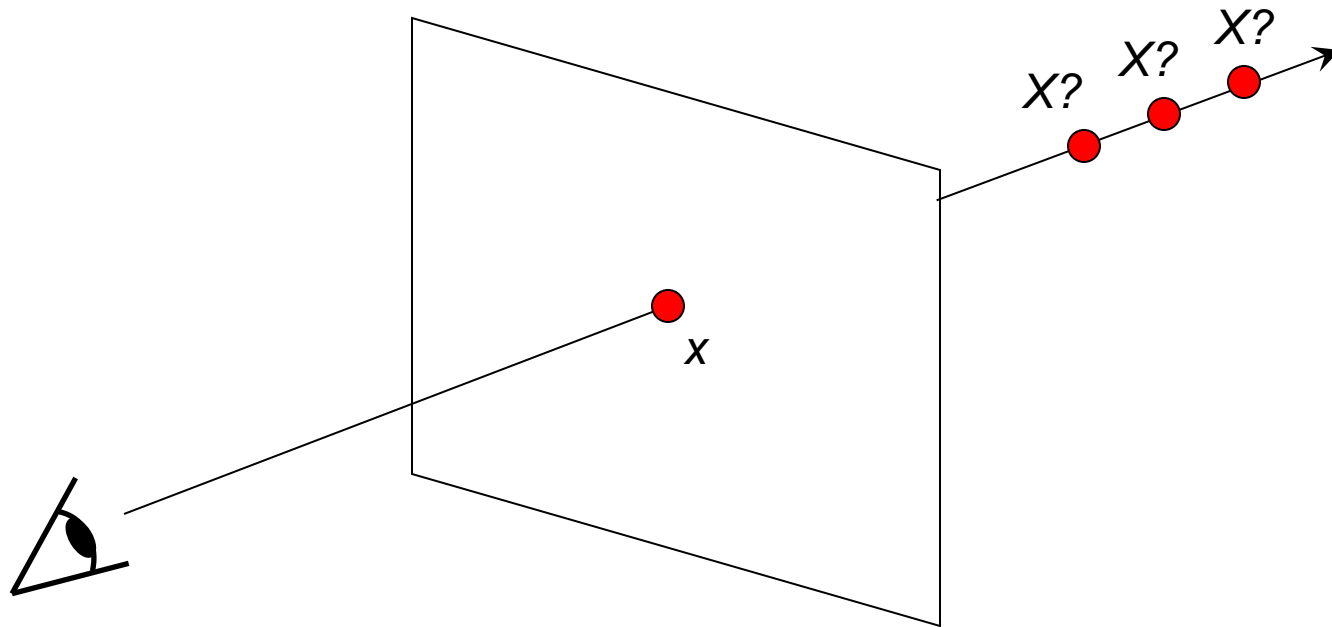
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[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ames\\_room](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ames_room)

# Single-view ambiguity

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[Rashad Alakbarov shadow sculptures](#)

# Anamorphic perspective

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H. Holbein The Younger, *The Ambassadors*, 1533

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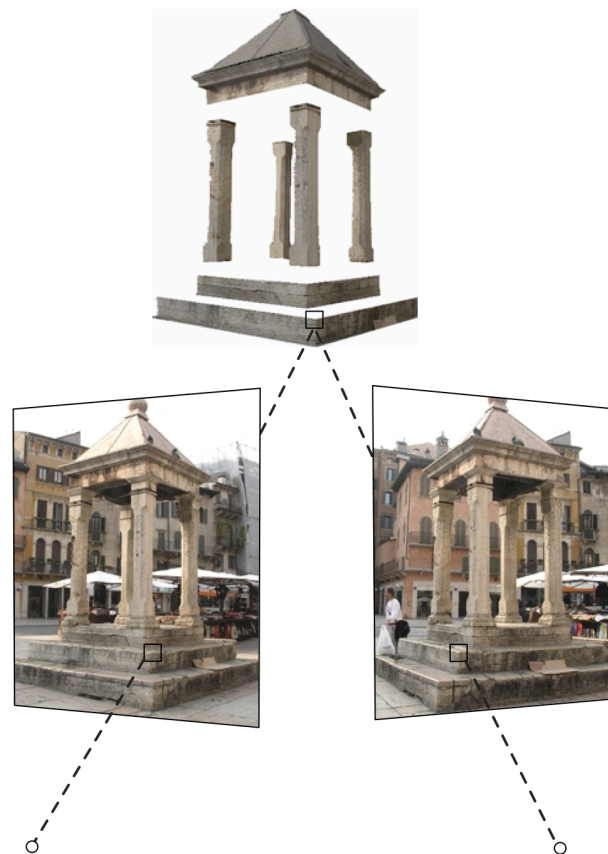
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- When certain assumptions hold, we can recover structure from a single view



- In general, we need *multi-view geometry*

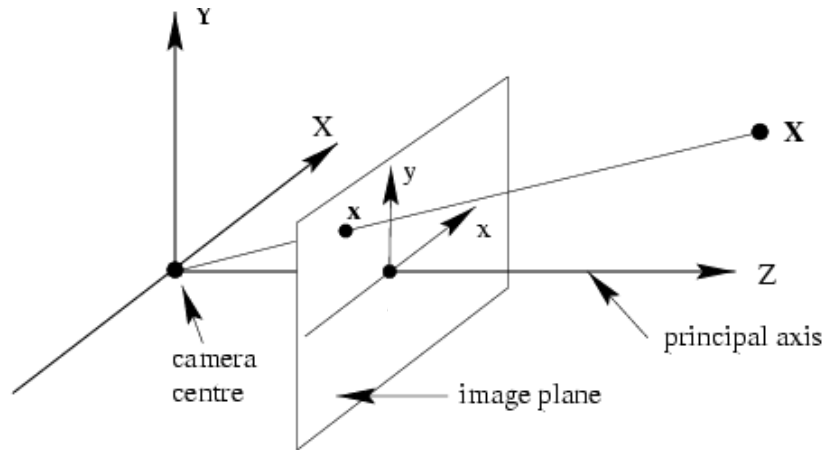


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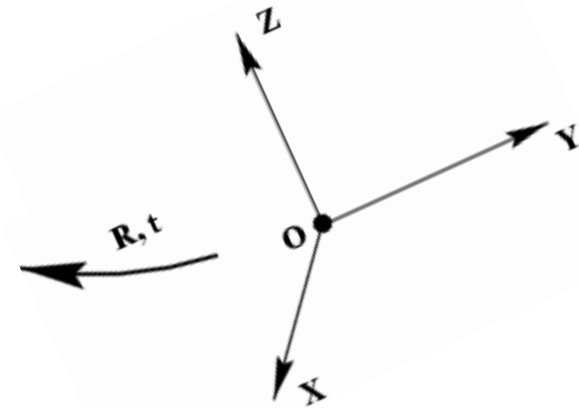
- But first, we need to understand the geometry of a single camera...

# Camera calibration

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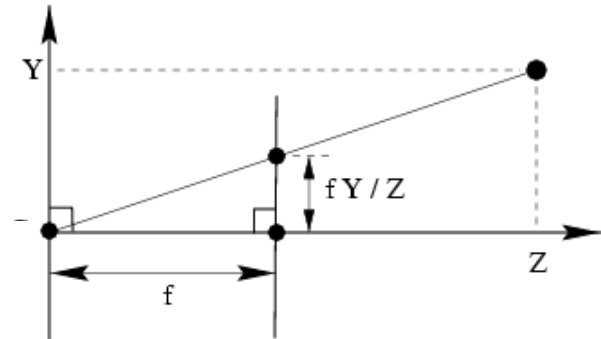
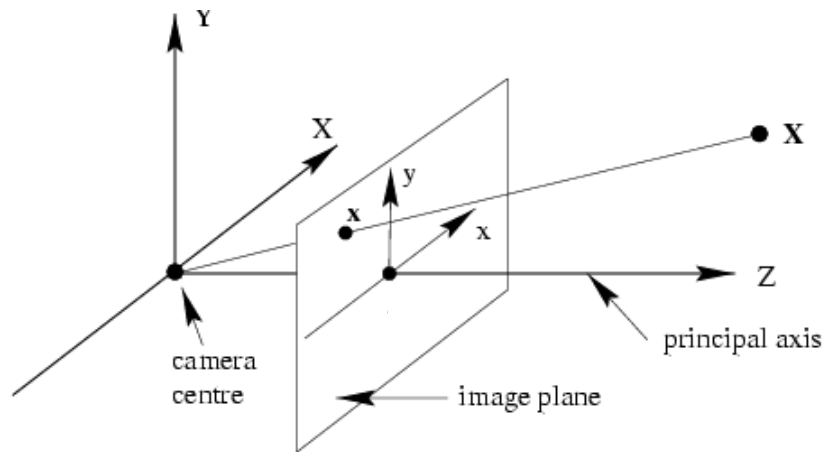
world coordinate system



- **Normalized (camera) coordinate system:** camera center is at the origin, the *principal axis* is the z-axis, x and y axes of the image plane are parallel to x and y axes of the world
- **Camera calibration:** figuring out transformation from *world* coordinate system to *image* coordinate system

# Review: Pinhole camera model

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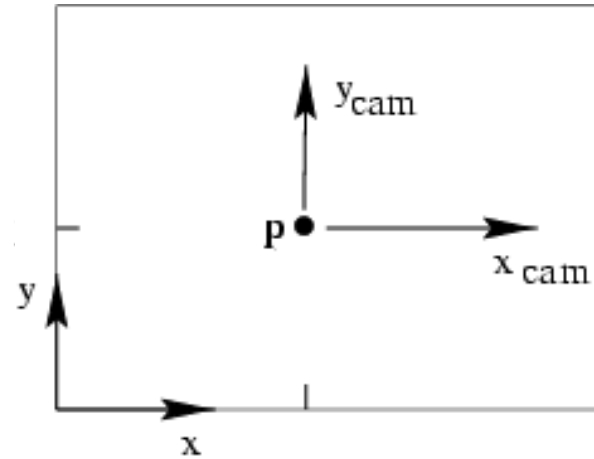
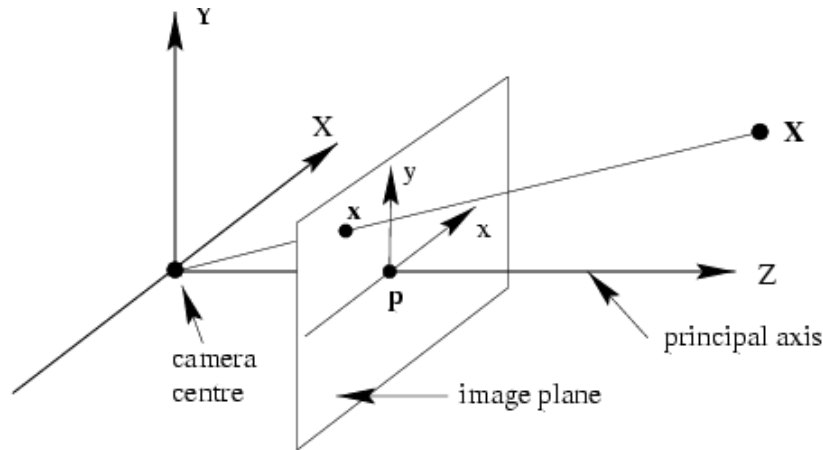


$$(X, Y, Z) \mapsto (fX/Z, fY/Z)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} fX \\ fY \\ Z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & 0 \\ & f & 0 \\ & & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}$$

# Principal point

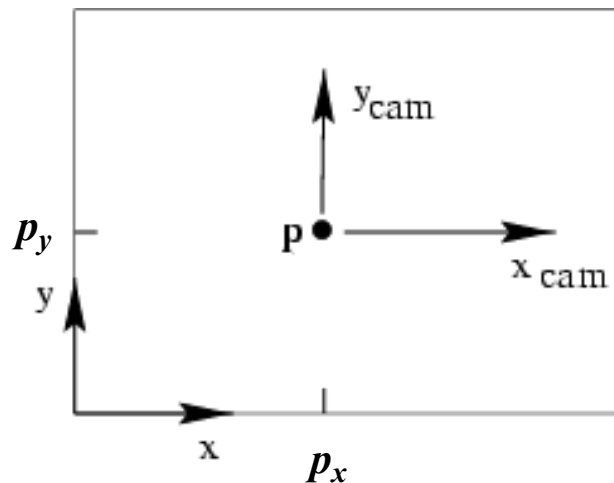
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- **Principal point ( $p$ ):** point where principal axis intersects the image plane
- Normalized coordinate system: origin of the image is at the principal point
- Image coordinate system: origin is in the corner

# Principal point offset

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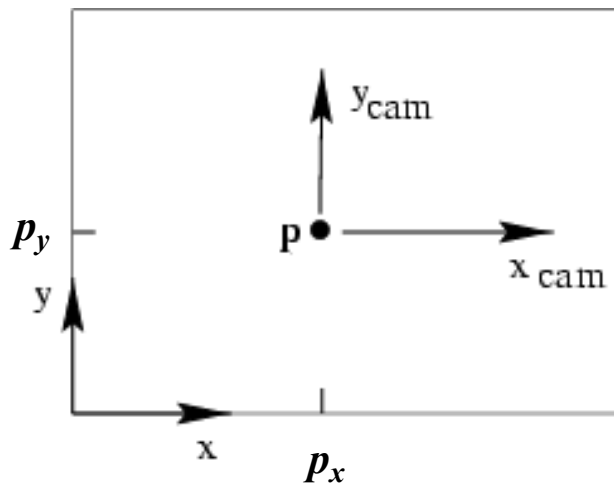
We want the principal point to map to  $(p_x, p_y)$  instead of  $(0,0)$

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

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

# Principal point offset

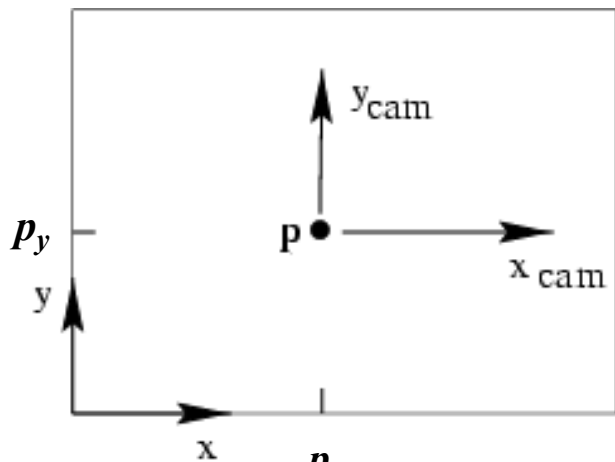
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principal point:  $(p_x, p_y)$

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

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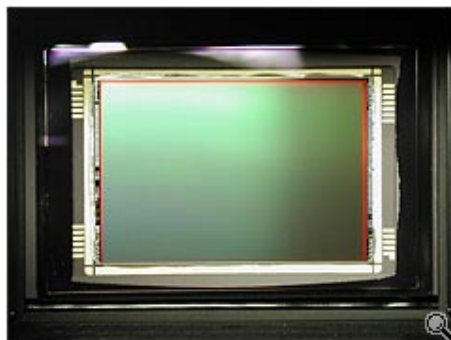
calibration matrix    projection matrix

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K} & [\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}] \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{P}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}]$$

# Pixel coordinates

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$$\text{Pixel size: } \frac{1}{m_x} \times \frac{1}{m_y}$$

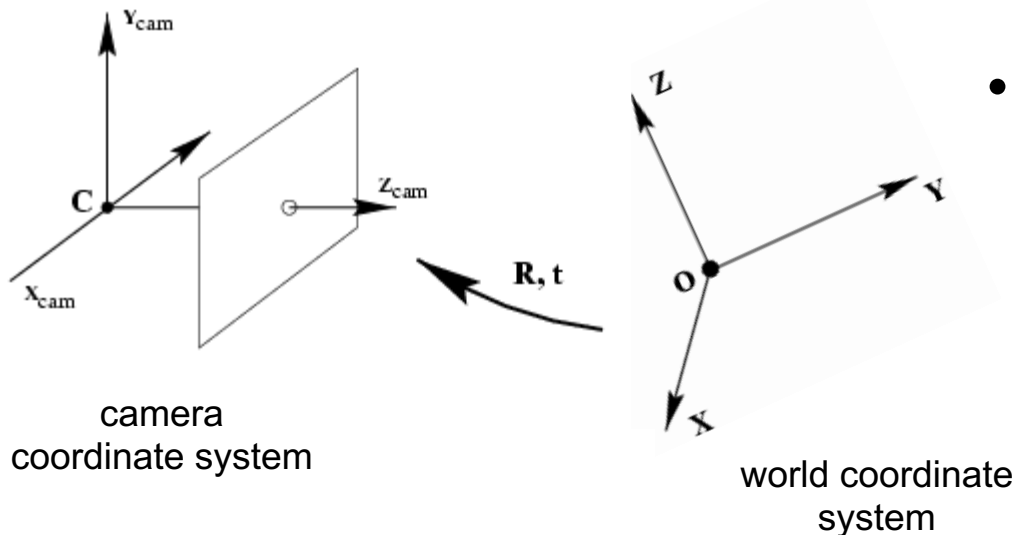
$m_x$  pixels per meter in horizontal direction,  
 $m_y$  pixels per meter in vertical direction

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} m_x & & \\ & m_y & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f \\ f \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & \beta_x \\ \alpha_y & \beta_y \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

pixels/m                      m                      pixels



# Camera rotation and translation



- In general, the *camera* coordinate frame will be related to the *world* coordinate frame by a rotation and a translation

- Conversion from world to camera coordinate system (in non-homogeneous coordinates):

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

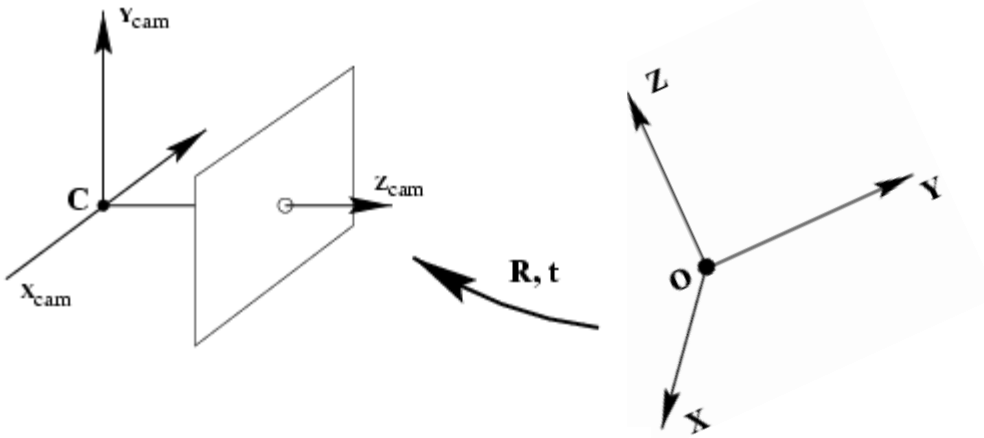
coords. of point in camera frame

coords. of a point in world frame

coords. of camera center in world frame

# Camera rotation and translation

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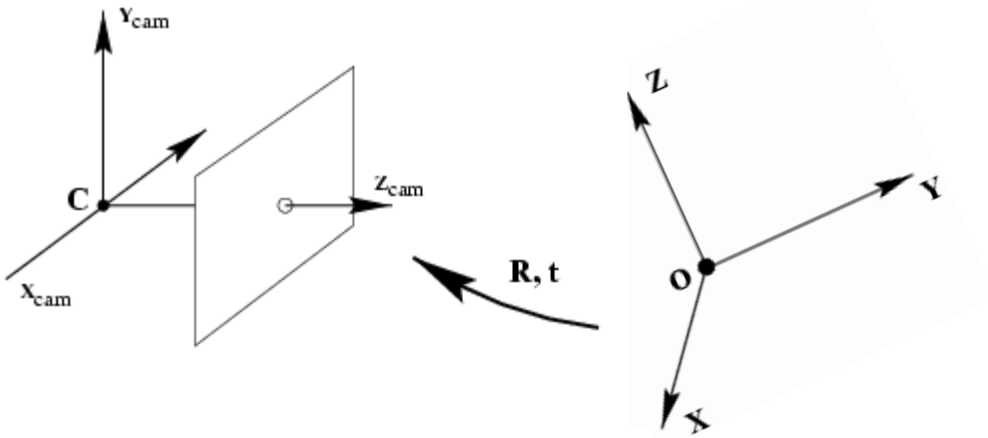
$$\tilde{\mathbf{X}}_{\text{cam}} = \mathbf{R}(\tilde{\mathbf{X}} - \tilde{\mathbf{C}})$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{X}}_{\text{cam}} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & -\mathbf{R}\tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{X}} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

3D transformation  
matrix (4 x 4)

# Camera rotation and translation

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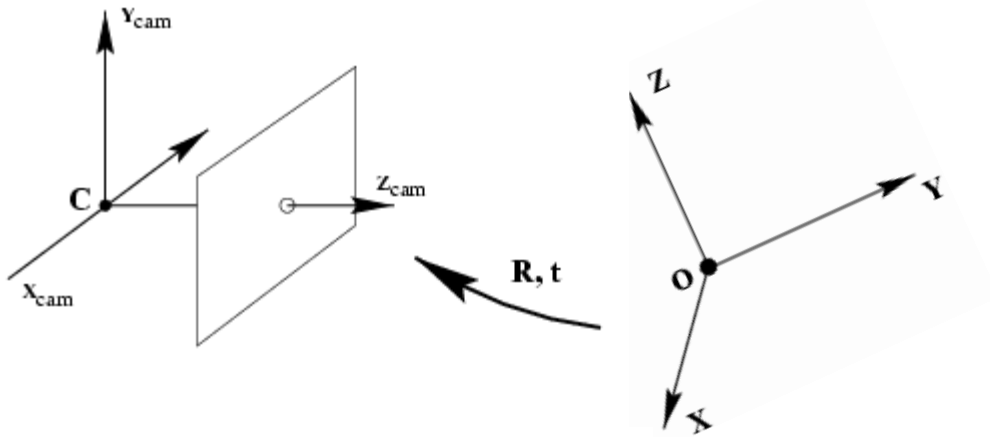
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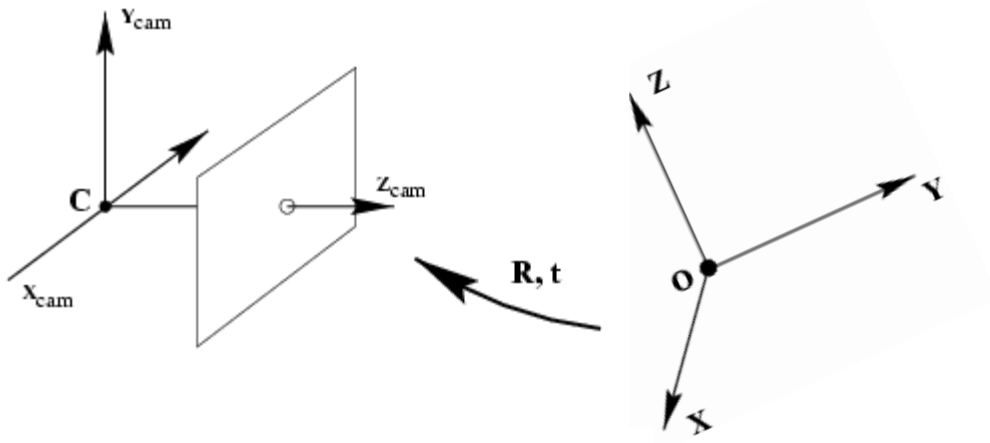


$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & -\mathbf{R}\tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}$$

2D transformation matrix (3 x 3)      perspective projection matrix (3 x 4)      3D transformation matrix (4 x 4)

# Camera rotation and translation

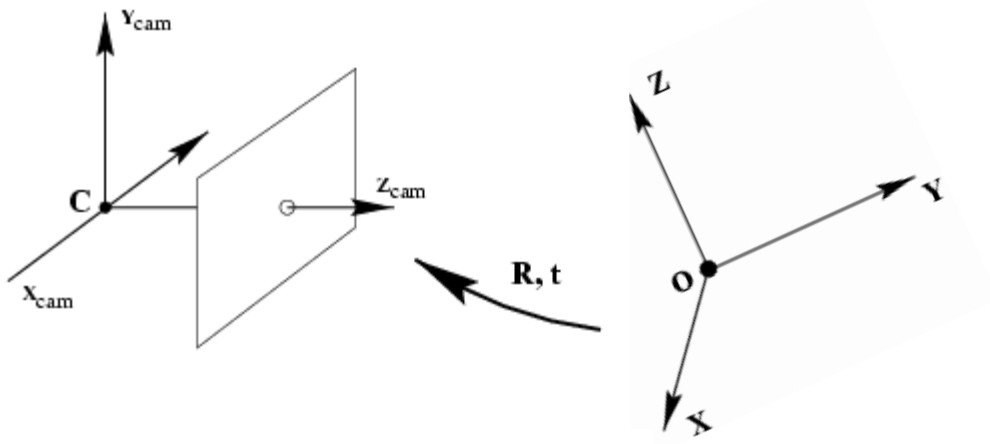
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$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K} \left[ \mathbf{R} \mid -\mathbf{R}\tilde{\mathbf{C}} \right] \mathbf{X}$$

# Camera rotation and translation

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$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t}]\mathbf{X} \quad \mathbf{t} = -\mathbf{R}\tilde{\mathbf{C}}$$

# Camera parameters

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

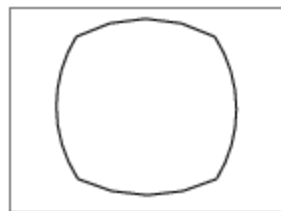
- Intrinsic parameters

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

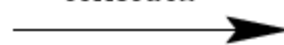
$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} m_x & & & \\ & m_y & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x \\ & f & p_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & & \beta_x \\ & \alpha_y & \beta_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



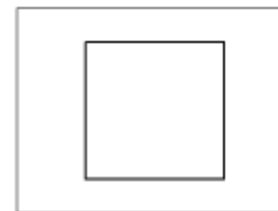
radial distortion



correction



linear image



# Camera parameters

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

- 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
- What is the projection of the camera center?

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & -\mathbf{R}\tilde{\mathbf{C}} \end{bmatrix}$$

↑  
coords. of  
camera center  
in world frame

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & -\mathbf{R}\tilde{\mathbf{C}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

The camera center is the *null space* of the projection matrix!



# Camera calibration

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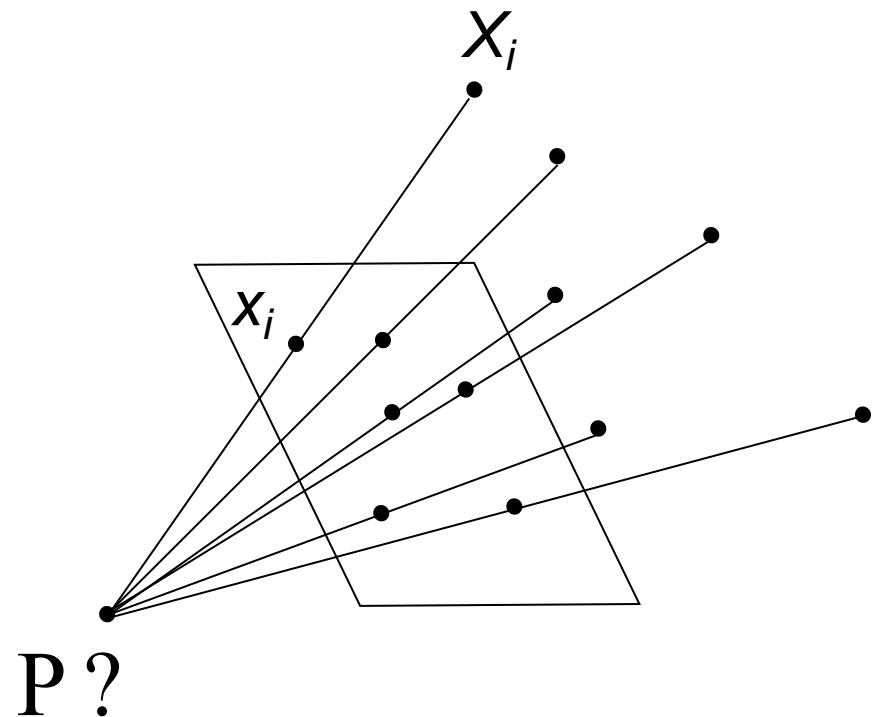
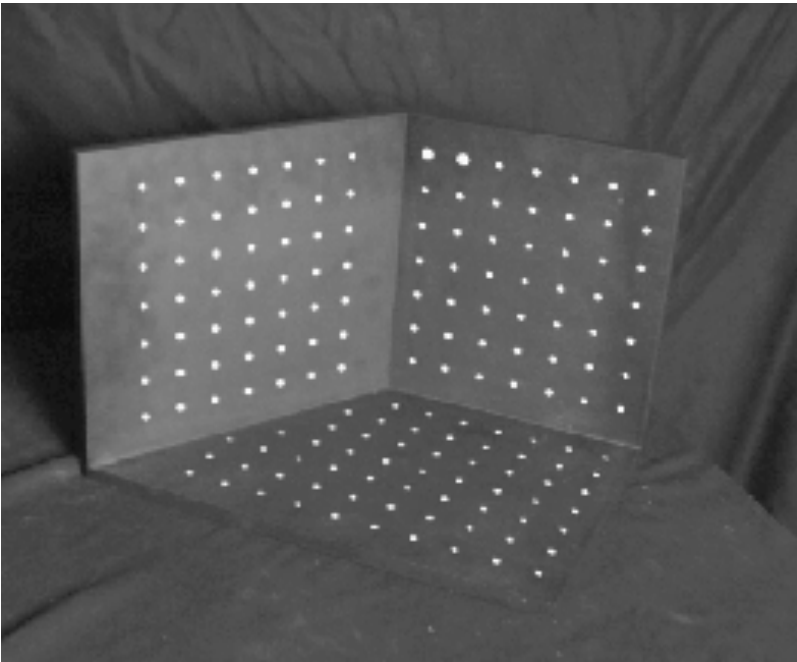
$$\lambda \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K} [\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{t}] \mathbf{X}$$

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# Camera calibration

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- Given  $n$  points with known 3D coordinates  $\mathbf{X}_i$  and known image projections  $\mathbf{x}_i$ , estimate the camera parameters



# Camera calibration: Linear method

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$$\lambda \mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}_i \quad \mathbf{x}_i \times \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}_i = 0 \quad \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1^T \mathbf{X}_i \\ \mathbf{P}_2^T \mathbf{X}_i \\ \mathbf{P}_3^T \mathbf{X}_i \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\mathbf{X}_i^T & y_i \mathbf{X}_i^T \\ \mathbf{X}_i^T & 0 & -x_i \mathbf{X}_i^T \\ -y_i \mathbf{X}_i^T & x_i \mathbf{X}_i^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 \\ \mathbf{P}_2 \\ \mathbf{P}_3 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Two linearly independent equations

# Camera calibration: Linear method

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}^T & \mathbf{X}_1^T & -y_1 \mathbf{X}_1^T \\ \mathbf{X}_1^T & \mathbf{0}^T & -x_1 \mathbf{X}_1^T \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \mathbf{0}^T & \mathbf{X}_n^T & -y_n \mathbf{X}_n^T \\ \mathbf{X}_n^T & \mathbf{0}^T & -x_n \mathbf{X}_n^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 \\ \mathbf{P}_2 \\ \mathbf{P}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0} \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$$

- P has 11 degrees of freedom
- One 2D/3D correspondence gives us two linearly independent equations
  - 6 correspondences needed for a minimal solution
- Homogeneous least squares: find  $\mathbf{p}$  minimizing  $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}\|^2$ 
  - Solution given by eigenvector of  $\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A}$  with smallest eigenvalue

# Camera calibration: Linear method

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- Note: for coplanar points that satisfy  $\mathbf{\Pi}^T \mathbf{X} = 0$ , we will get degenerate solutions  $(\mathbf{\Pi}, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0})$ ,  $(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Pi}, \mathbf{0})$ , or  $(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Pi})$

# Camera calibration: Linear vs. nonlinear

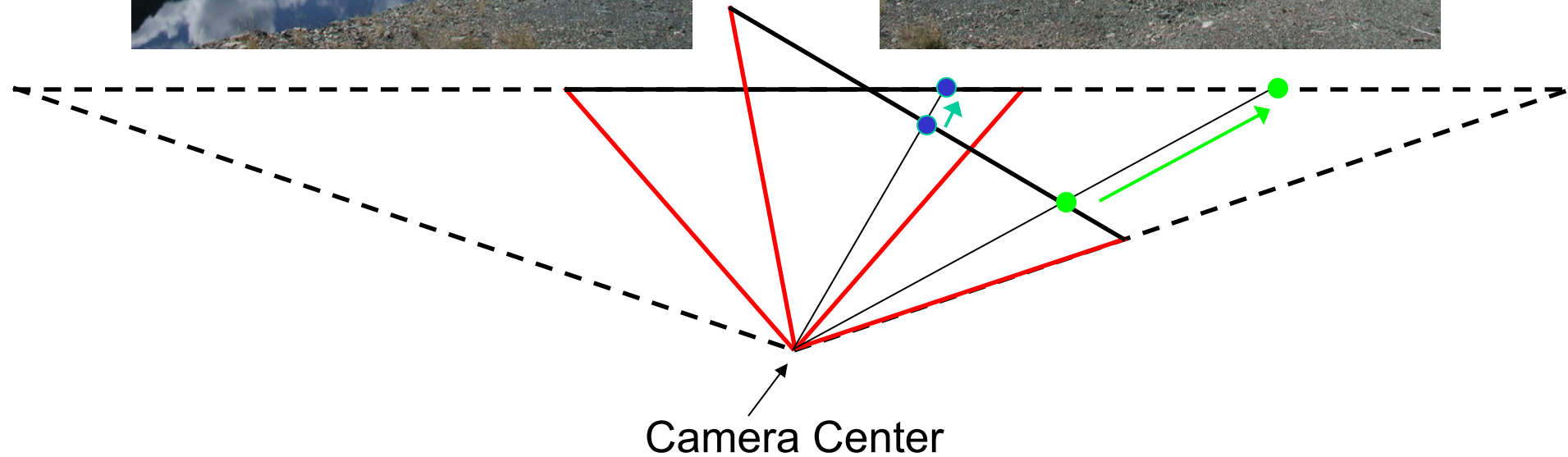
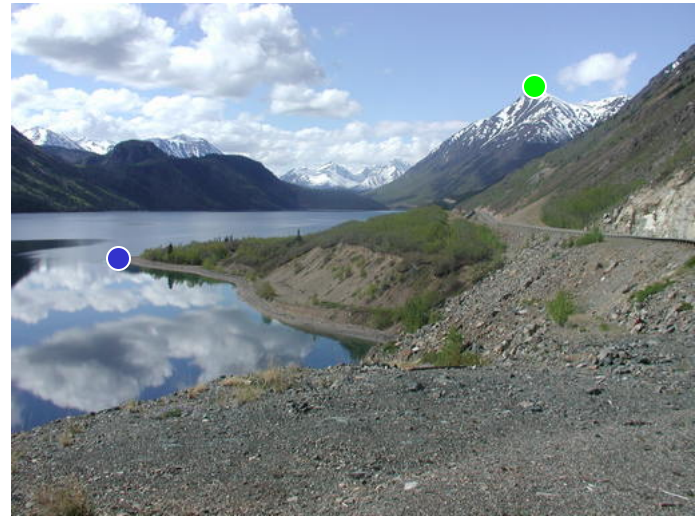
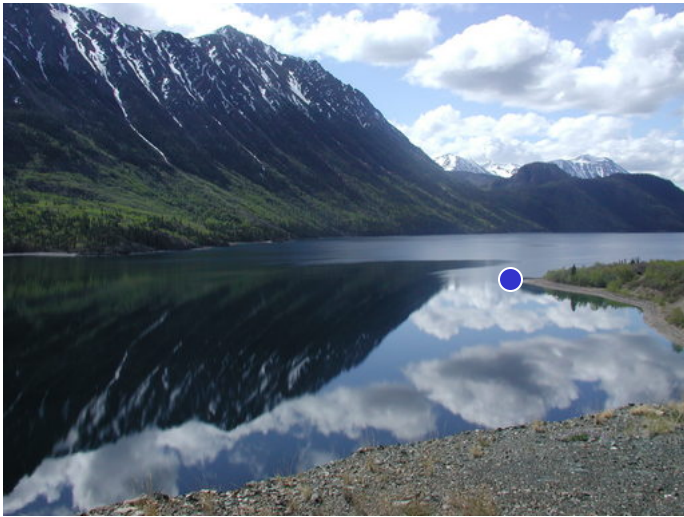
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- Linear calibration is easy to formulate and solve, but it doesn't directly tell us the camera parameters

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda x \\ \lambda y \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{vs.} \quad \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}$$

- In practice, non-linear methods are preferred
  - Write down objective function in terms of intrinsic and extrinsic parameters
  - Define error as sum of squared distances between measured 2D points and estimated projections of 3D points
  - Minimize error using Newton's method or other non-linear optimization
  - Can model radial distortion and impose constraints such as known focal length and orthogonality

# Homography Example



# A taste of multi-view geometry: Triangulation

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

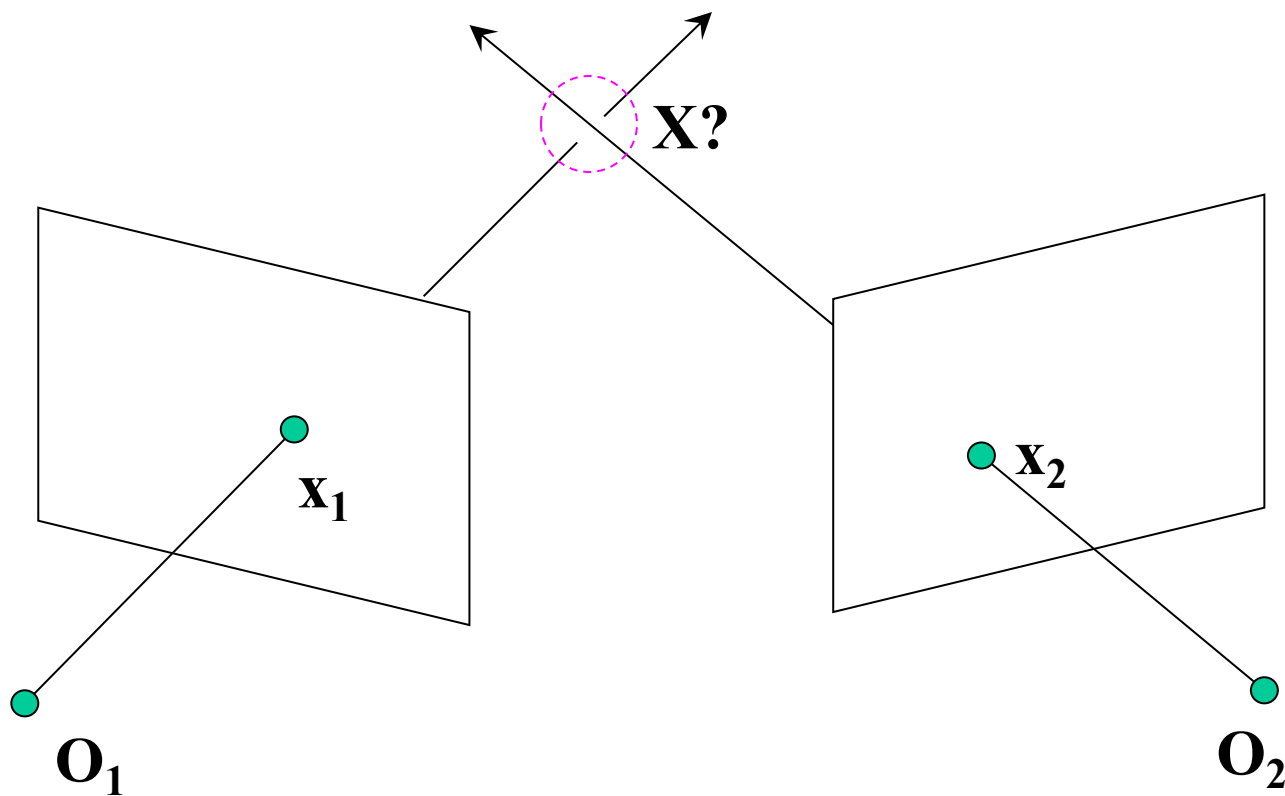




# Triangulation

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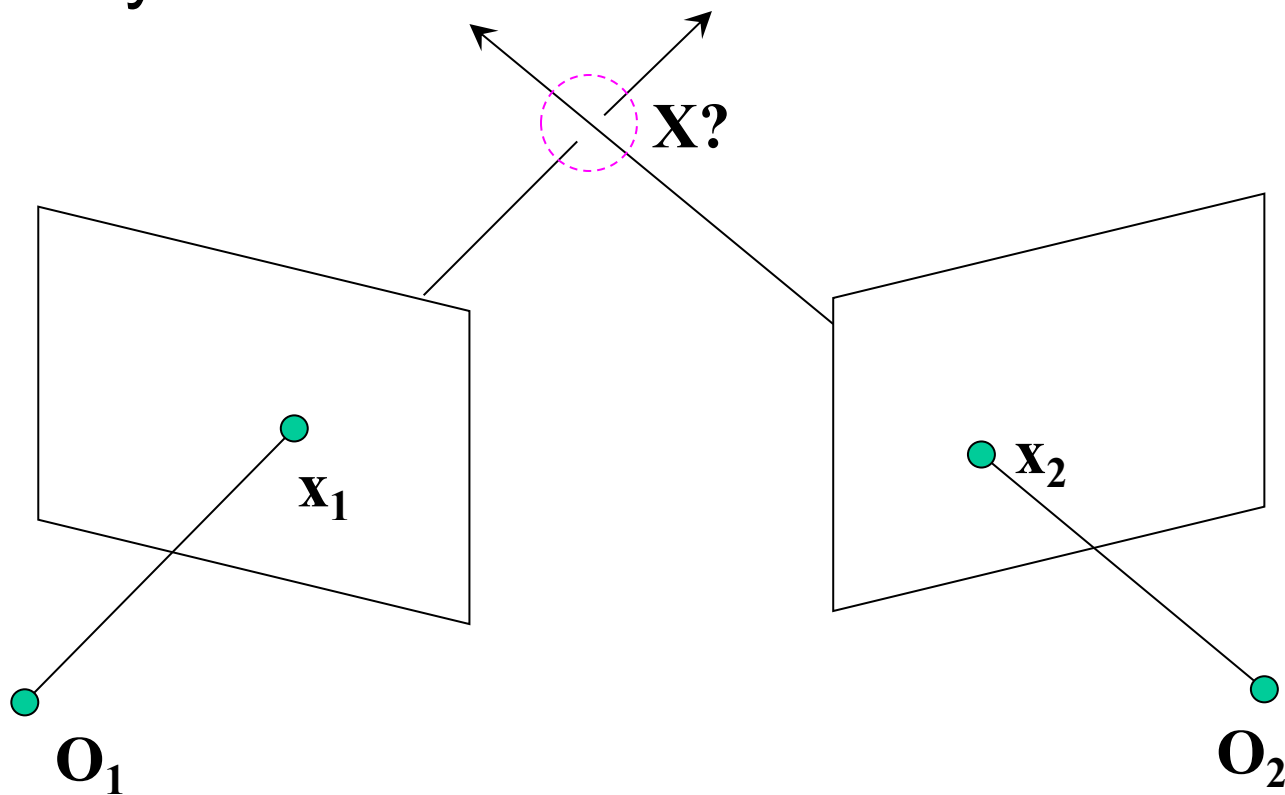
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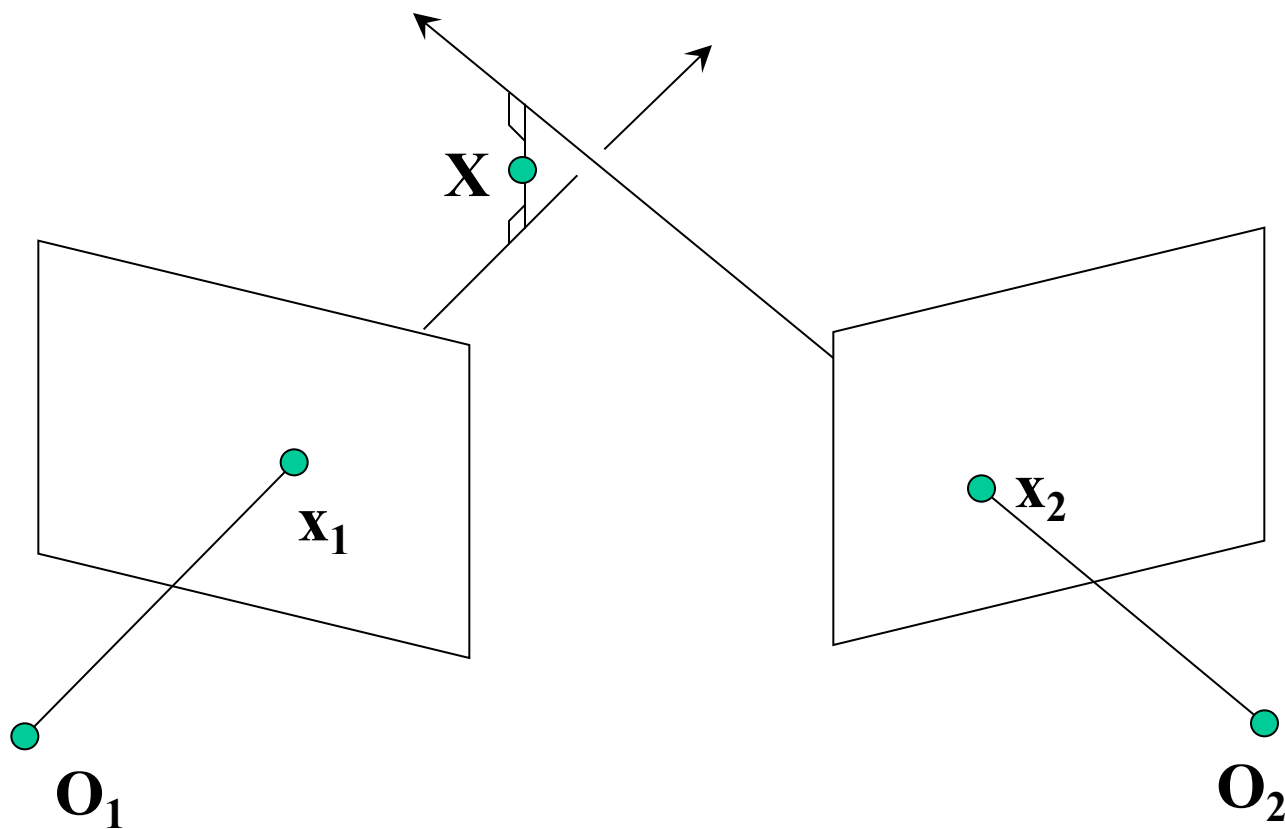
- We want to intersect the two visual rays corresponding to  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2$ , but because of noise and numerical errors, they don't meet exactly



# Triangulation: Geometric approach

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- Find shortest segment connecting the two viewing rays and let  $\mathbf{X}$  be the midpoint of that segment

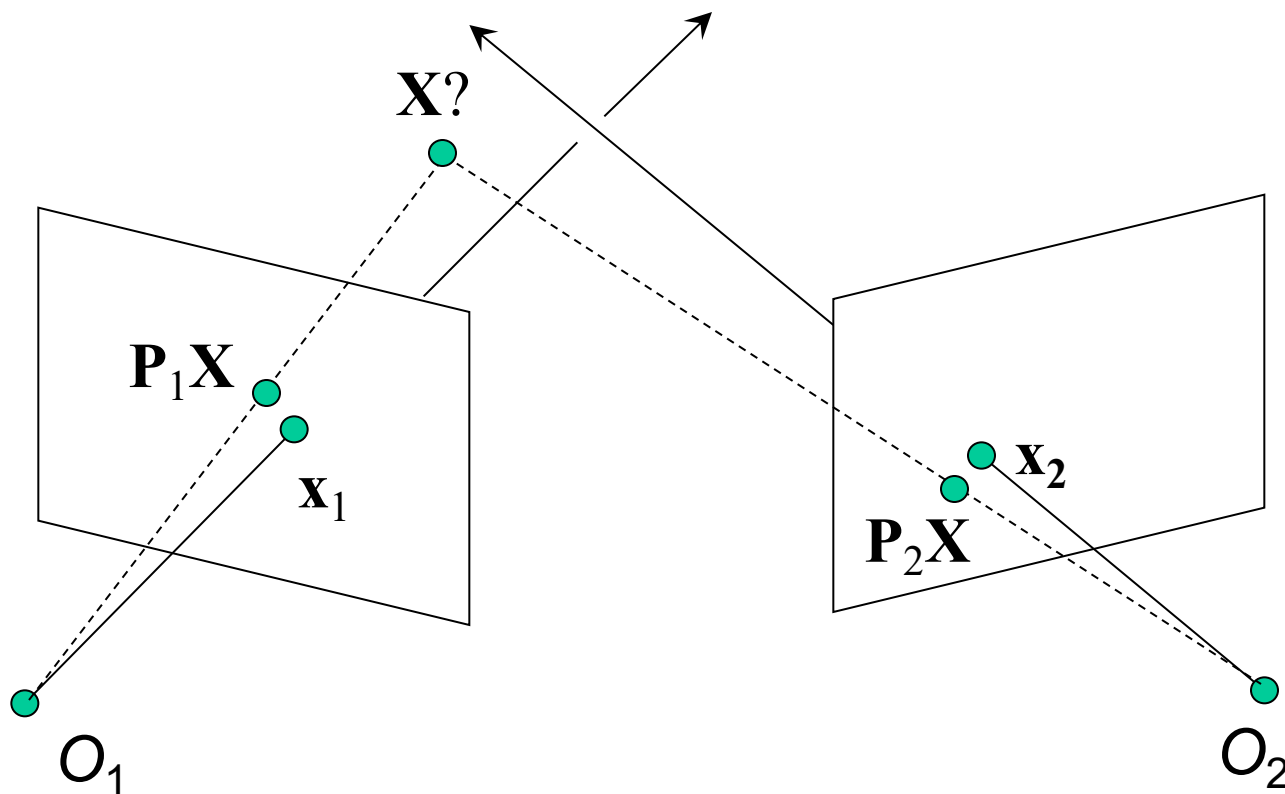


# Triangulation: Nonlinear approach

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Find  $X$  that minimizes

$$d^2(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{P}_1\mathbf{X}) + d^2(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{P}_2\mathbf{X})$$



# Triangulation: Linear approach

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$$\begin{array}{lll} \lambda_1 \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{X} & \mathbf{x}_1 \times \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0} & [\mathbf{x}_{1 \times}] \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0} \\ \lambda_2 \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{X} & \mathbf{x}_2 \times \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0} & [\mathbf{x}_{2 \times}] \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0} \end{array}$$

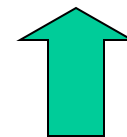
Cross product as matrix multiplication:

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

# Triangulation: Linear approach

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Two independent equations each in terms of three unknown entries of  $\mathbf{X}$

# Camera calibration revisited

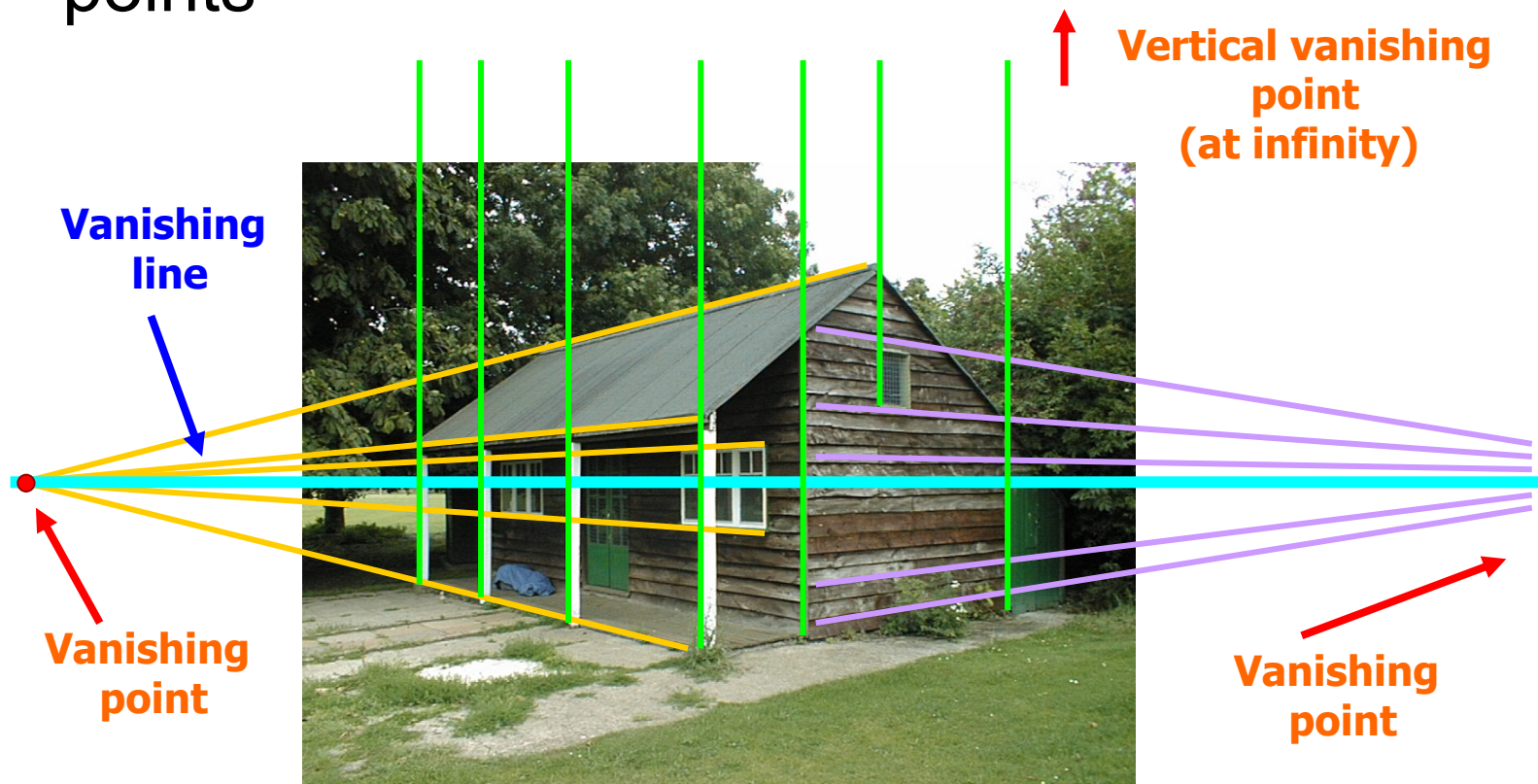
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# Recall: Homogenous Coordinates

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Points

Points at infinity

Lines

Lines passing through 2 points

Intersection of 2 lines

Intersection of 2 parallel lines?

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Points at infinity

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

Lines

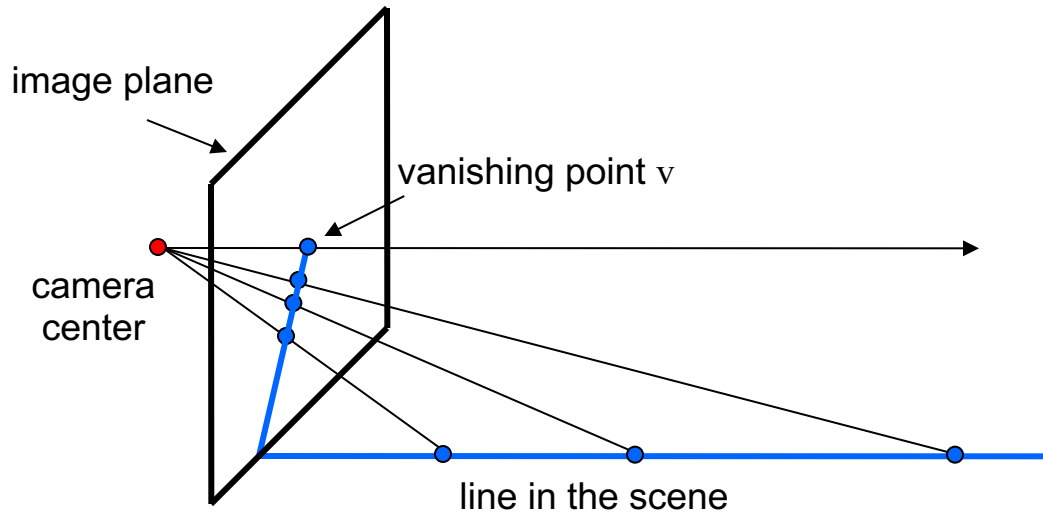
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# Recall: Vanishing points

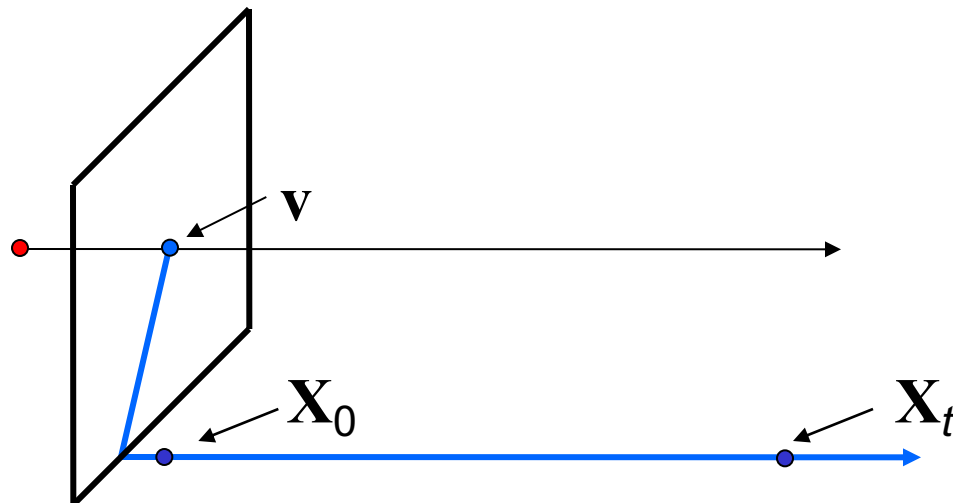
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- All lines having the same direction share the same vanishing point

# Computing vanishing points

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$$\mathbf{X}_t = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 + td_1 \\ y_0 + td_2 \\ z_0 + td_3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 / t + d_1 \\ y_0 / t + d_2 \\ z_0 / t + d_3 \\ 1/t \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{X}_\infty = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\mathbf{X}_\infty$  is a *point at infinity*,  $\mathbf{v}$  is its projection:  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}_\infty$
- The vanishing point depends only on *line direction*
- All lines having direction  $\mathbf{d}$  intersect at  $\mathbf{X}_\infty$

# Calibration from vanishing points

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- Consider a scene with three orthogonal vanishing directions:

■  $\mathbf{v}_1$



■  $\mathbf{v}_2$

↓  $\mathbf{v}_3$

- Note:  $\mathbf{v}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2$  are *finite* vanishing points and  $\mathbf{v}_3$  is an *infinite* vanishing point

# Calibration from vanishing points

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- Consider a scene with three orthogonal vanishing directions:

■  $v_1$



■  $v_2$

↓  $v_3$

- We can align the world coordinate system with these directions

# Calibration from vanishing points

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$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{p}_1 \quad \mathbf{p}_2 \quad \mathbf{p}_3 \quad \mathbf{p}_4]$$

- $\mathbf{p}_1 = \mathbf{P}(1,0,0,0)^T$  – the vanishing point in the x direction
- Similarly,  $\mathbf{p}_2$  and  $\mathbf{p}_3$  are the vanishing points in the y and z directions
- $\mathbf{p}_4 = \mathbf{P}(0,0,0,1)^T$  – projection of the origin of the world coordinate system
- Problem: we can only know the four columns up to independent scale factors, additional constraints needed to solve for them

# Calibration from vanishing points

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- Let us align the world coordinate system with three orthogonal vanishing directions in the scene:

$$\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{e}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda_i \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t}] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



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$$\mathbf{e}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_i$$

- Orthogonality constraint:  $\mathbf{e}_i^T \mathbf{e}_j = 0$

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{v}_i^T \mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{K}^{-1}}_{\mathbf{e}_i^T} \underbrace{\mathbf{v}_j}_{\mathbf{e}_j} = 0$$

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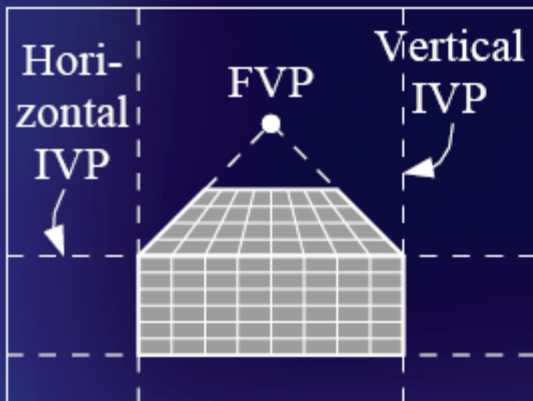
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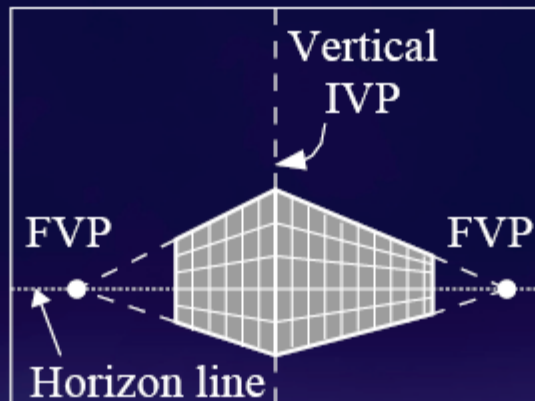
$$\mathbf{v}_i^T \mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_j = 0$$

- Rotation disappears, each pair of vanishing points gives constraint on focal length and principal point

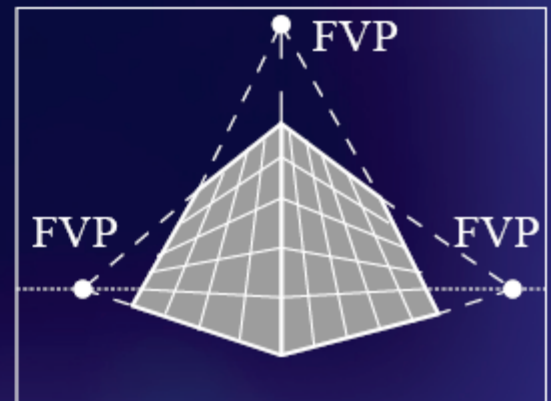
# Calibration from vanishing points



1 finite vanishing point,  
2 infinite vanishing points



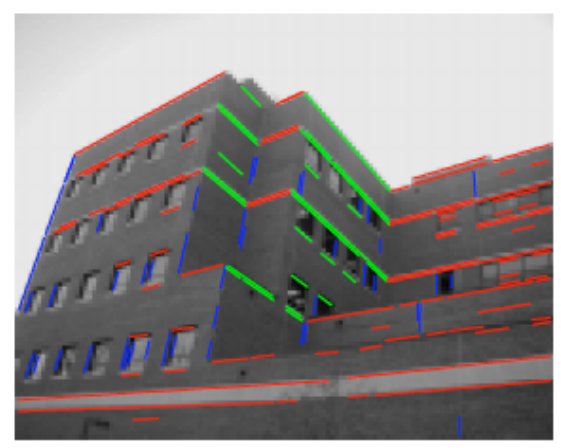
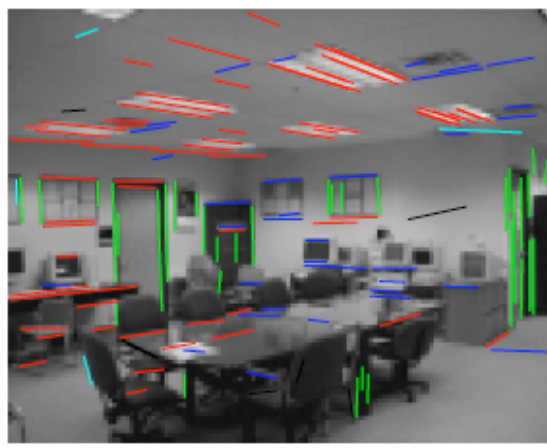
2 finite vanishing points,  
1 infinite vanishing point



3 finite vanishing points



Cannot recover focal length, principal point is the third vanishing point



Can solve for focal length, principal point

# Rotation from vanishing points

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- Constraints on vanishing points:  $\lambda_i \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{e}_i$
- After solving for the calibration matrix:

$$\lambda_i \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{e}_i$$

- Notice:  $\mathbf{R} \mathbf{e}_1 = [\mathbf{r}_1 \quad \mathbf{r}_2 \quad \mathbf{r}_3] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{r}_1$
- Thus,  $\mathbf{r}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_i$

- Get  $\lambda_i$  by using the constraint  $\|\mathbf{r}_i\|^2 = 1$ .

# Calibration from vanishing points: Summary

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- Solve for  $K$  (focal length, principal point) using three orthogonal vanishing points
- Get rotation directly from vanishing points once calibration matrix is known
- Advantages
  - No need for calibration chart, 2D-3D correspondences
  - Could be completely automatic
- Disadvantages
  - Only applies to certain kinds of scenes
  - Inaccuracies in computation of vanishing points
  - Problems due to infinite vanishing points

# Example

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- Are the heights of the two groups of people consistent with one another?
  - Measure heights using Christ as reference



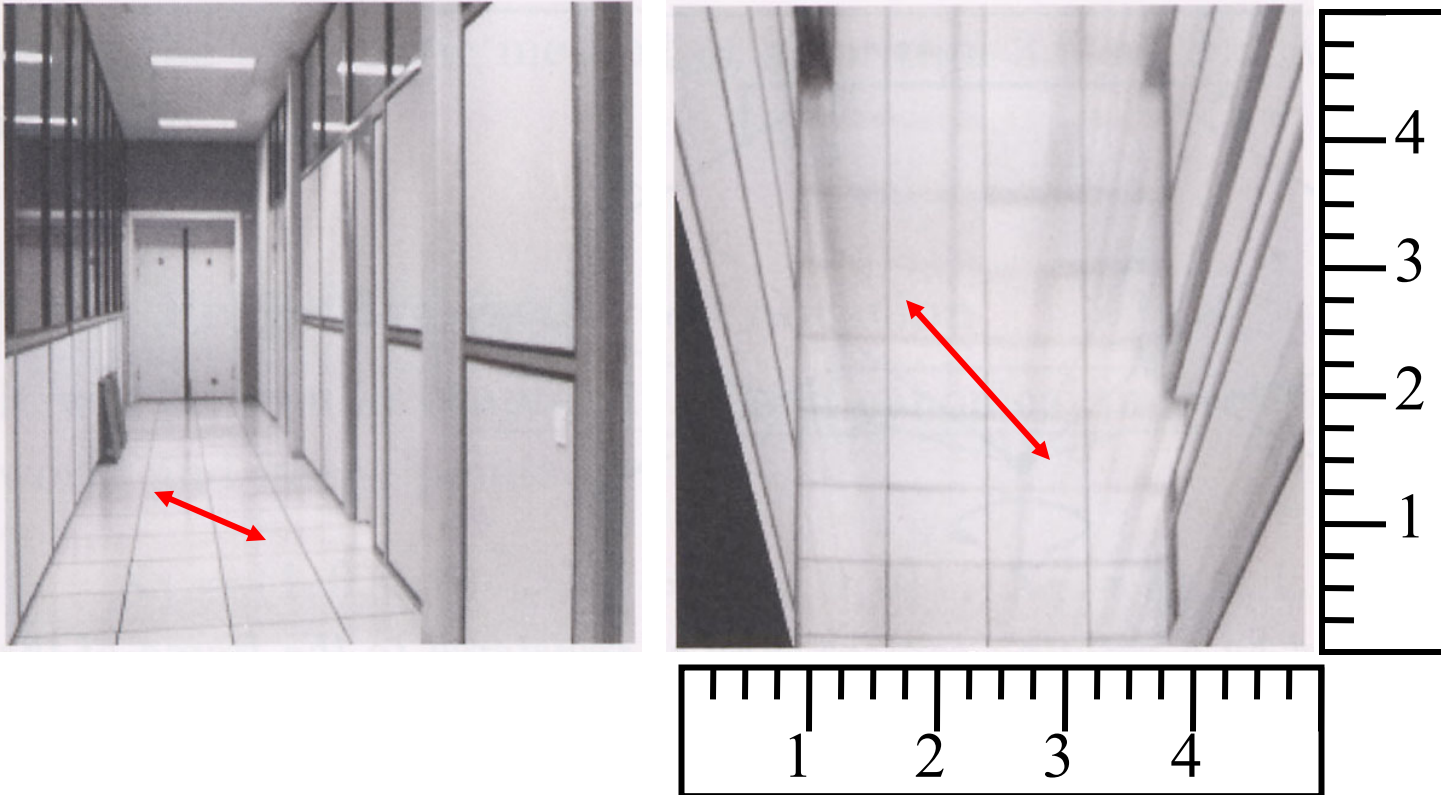
Piero della Francesca, *Flagellation*, ca. 1455

A. Criminisi, M. Kemp, and A. Zisserman, [Bringing Pictorial Space to Life: computer techniques for the analysis of paintings](#),

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# Measurements on planes

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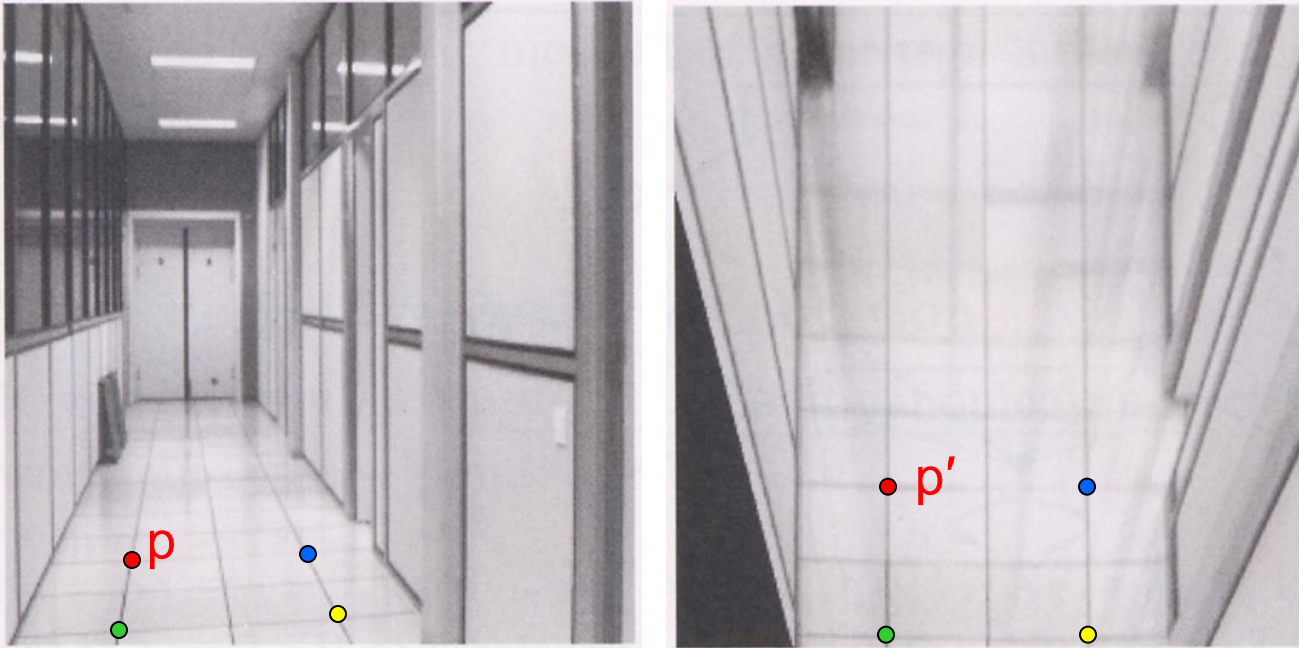


Approach: unwarp then measure

What kind of warp is this?

# Image rectification

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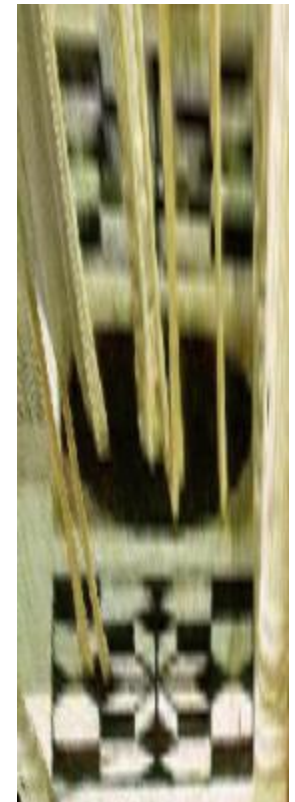
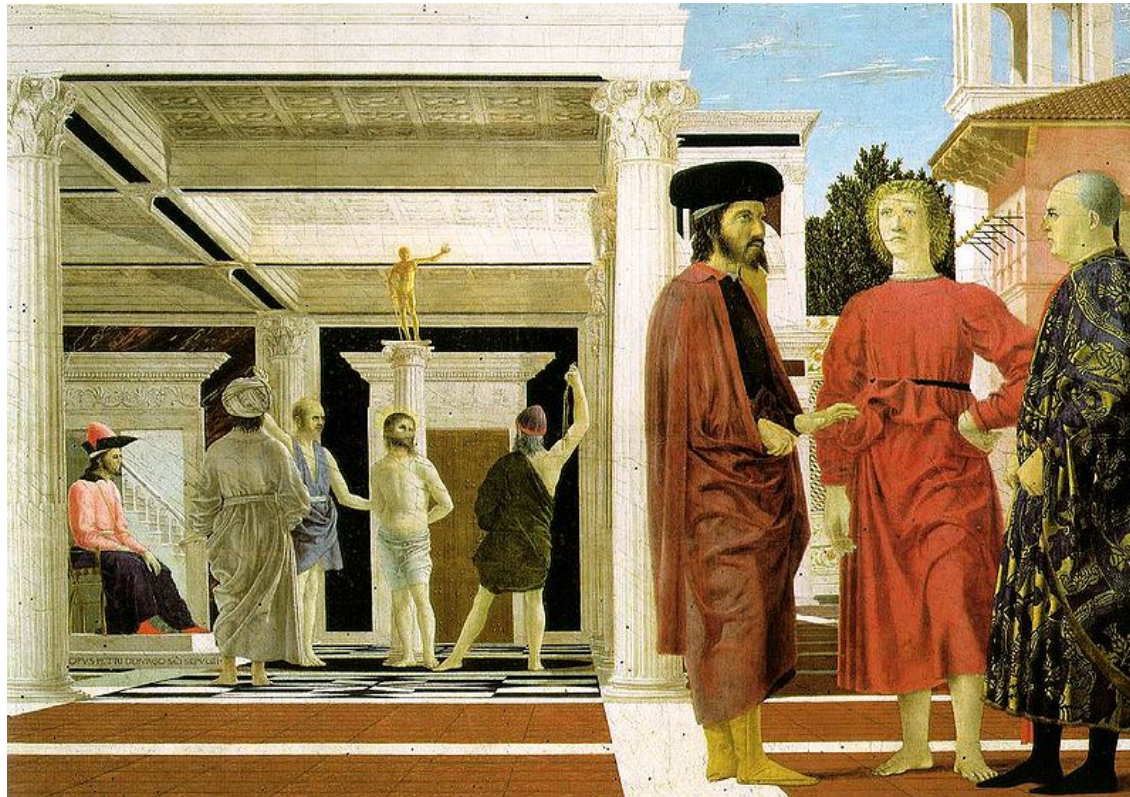
To unwarped (rectify) an image

- solve for homography  $H$  given  $p$  and  $p'$
- how many points are necessary to solve for  $H$ ?



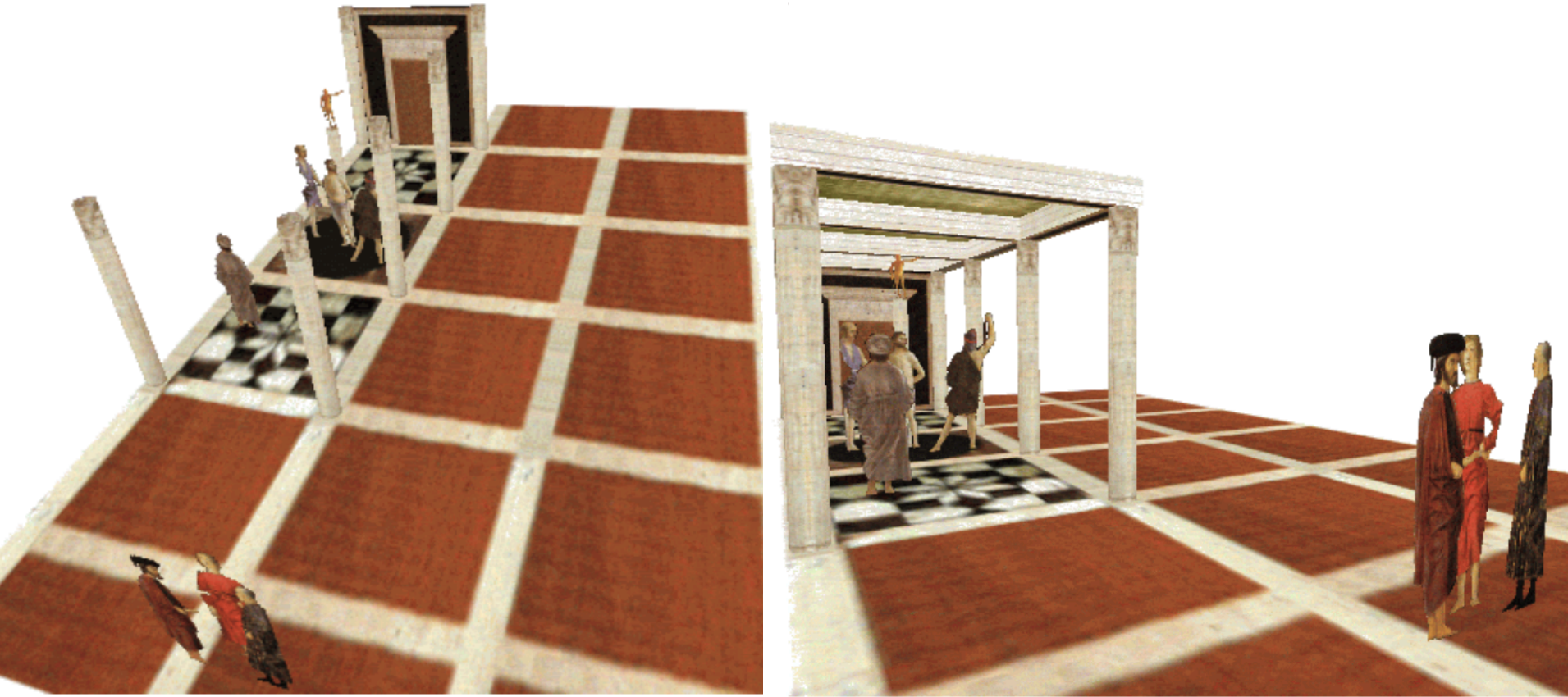
# Image rectification: example

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# Application: 3D modeling from a single image



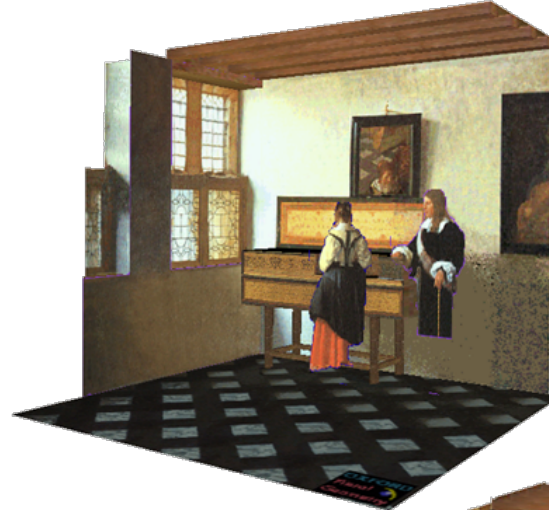
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J. Vermeer, Music Lesson, 1662

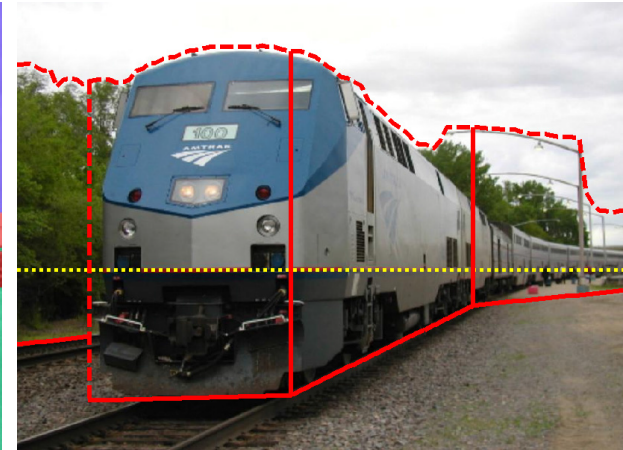
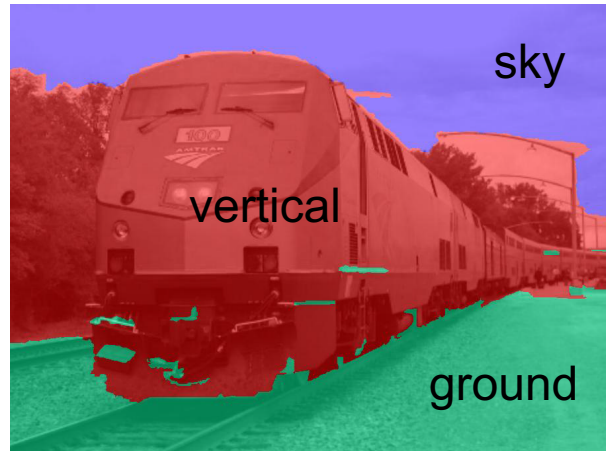


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# Application: Fully automatic modeling

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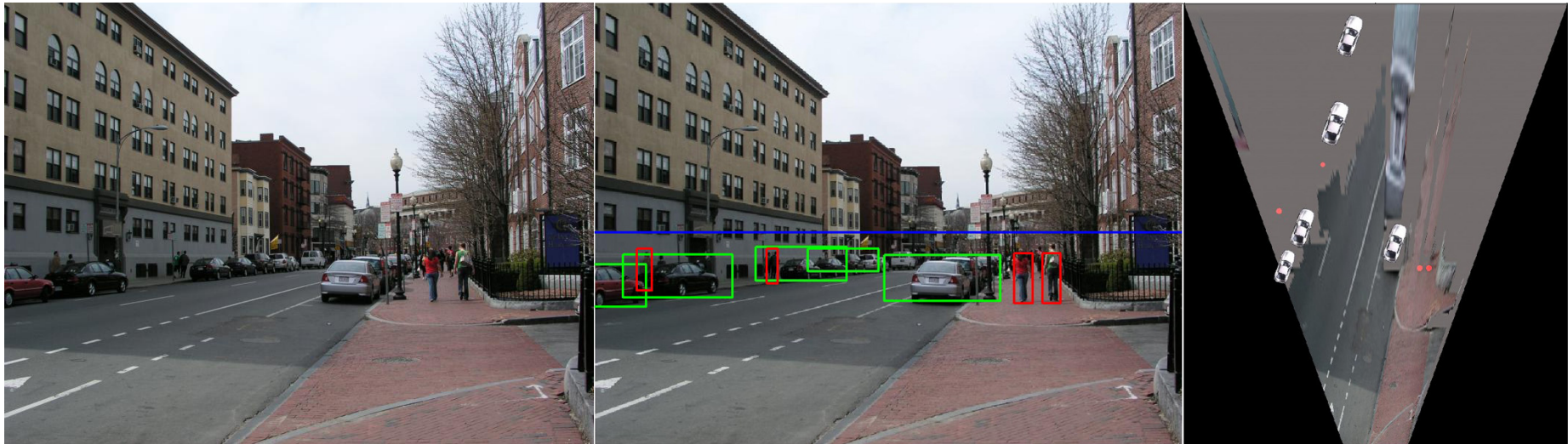


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# Application: Object detection

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D. Hoiem, A.A. Efros, and M. Hebert, [Putting Objects in Perspective](#), CVPR 2006

# Application: Image editing

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Inserting synthetic objects into images:

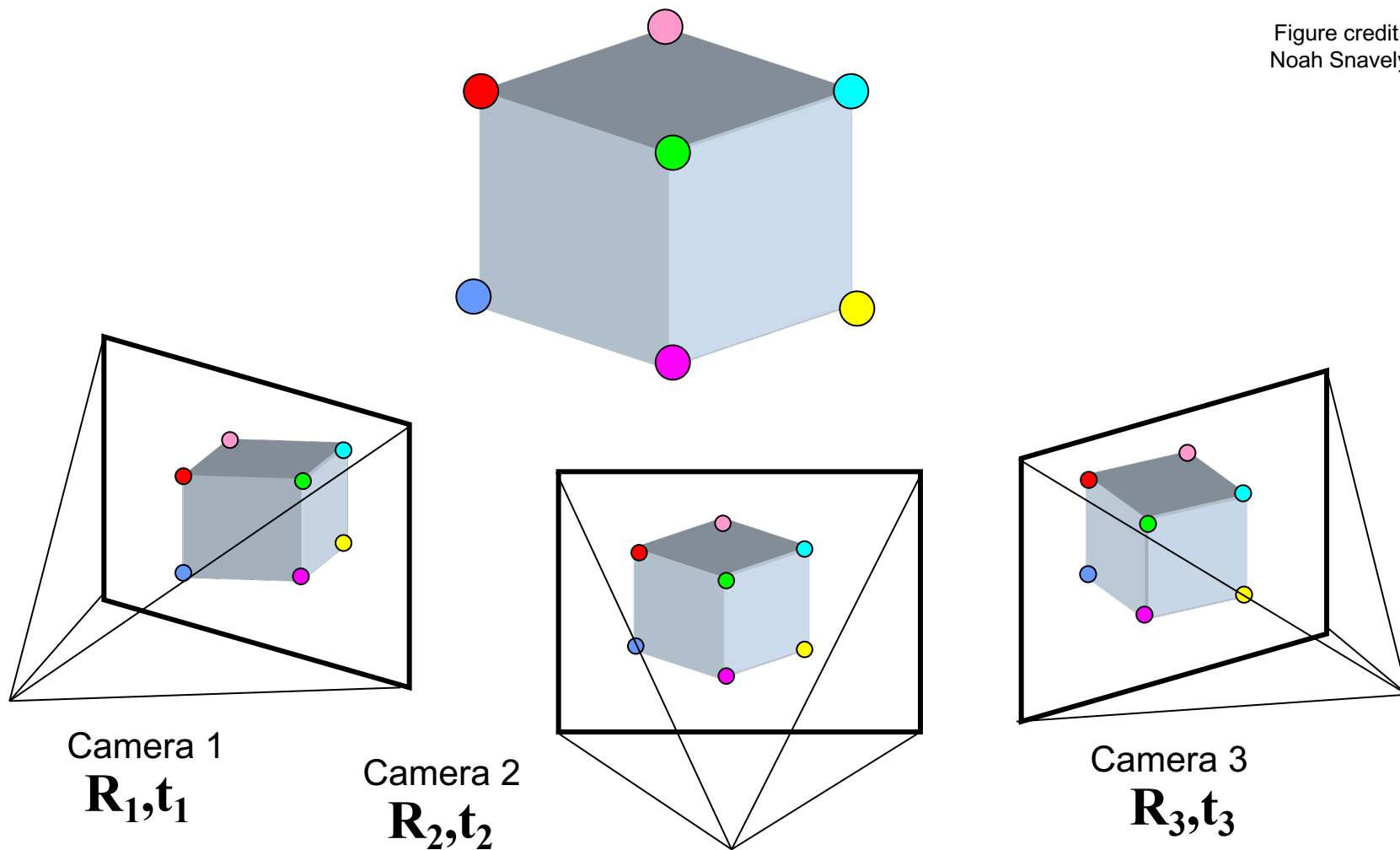
<http://vimeo.com/28962540>



K. Karsch and V. Hedau and D. Forsyth and D. Hoiem, [Rendering Synthetic Objects into Legacy Photographs](#), SIGGRAPH Asia 2011

# Preview: Structure from motion

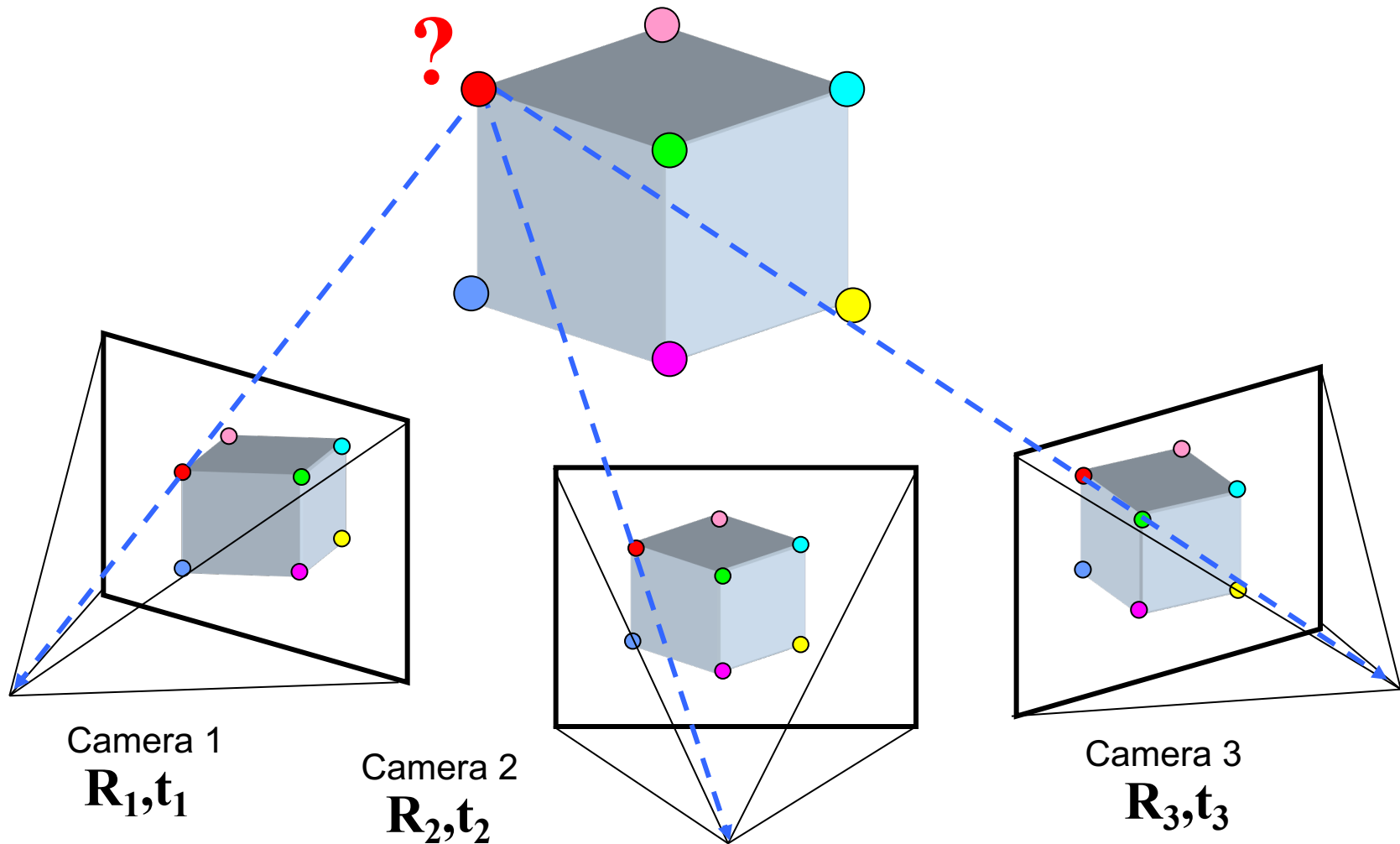
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- Given 2D point correspondences between multiple images, compute the camera parameters and the 3D points

# Preview: Structure from motion

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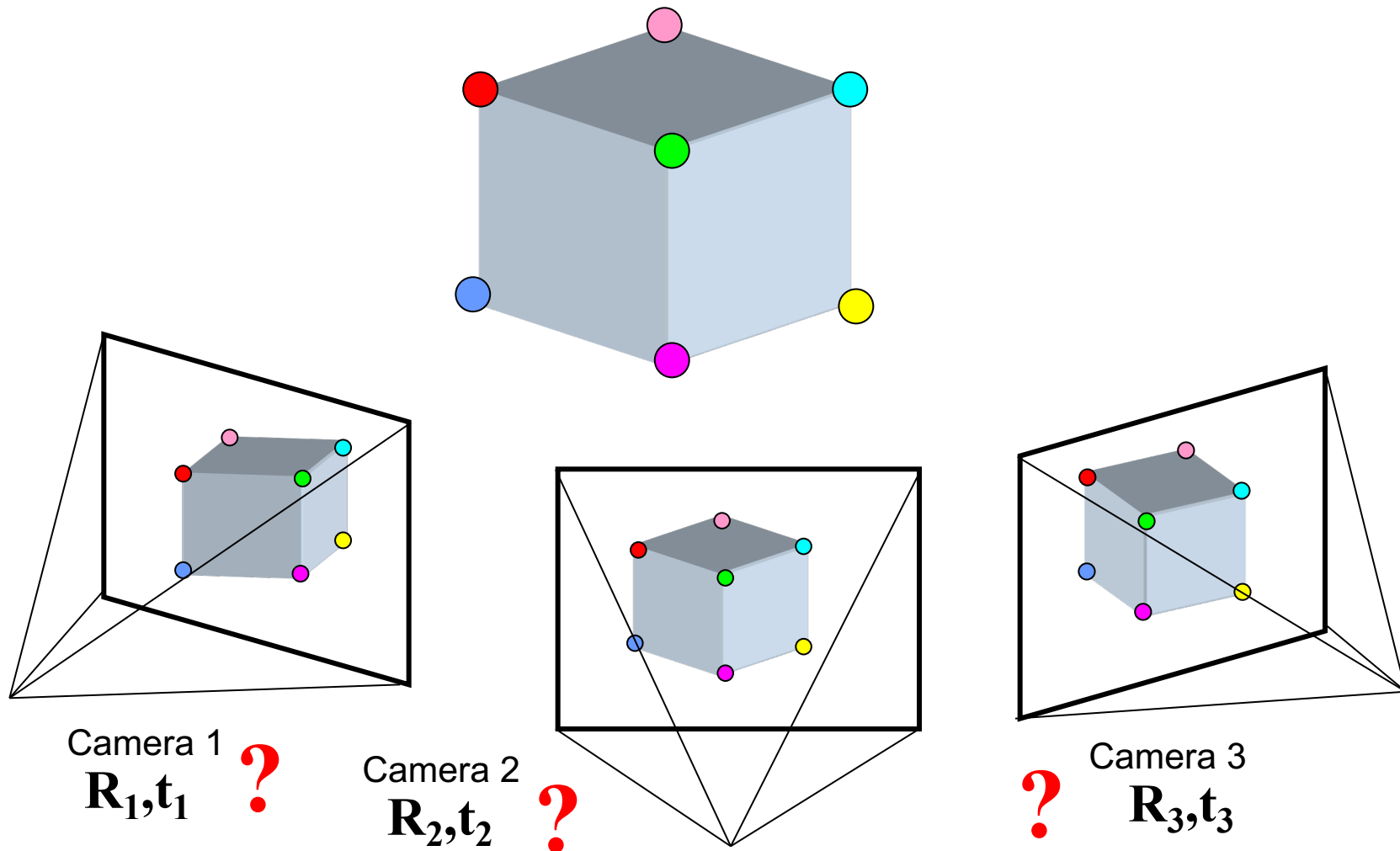


- **Structure:** Given *known cameras* and projections of the same 3D point in two or more images, compute the 3D coordinates of that point
  - Triangulation!



# Preview: Structure from motion

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- **Motion:** Given a set of *known* 3D points seen by a camera, compute the camera parameters
  - Calibration!

# Useful reference

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