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## Auto-Calibration

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### Auto-Calibration

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- Auto-Calibration:
  - ✓ How to determine  $\mathbf{K}$  directly from multiple uncalibrated images
  - ✓ And then compute a metric reconstruction
- Goal:
  - ✓ Given projective reconstruction  $\{\mathbf{P}^i, \mathbf{X}_j\}$
  - ✓ Determine rectifying homography  $\mathbf{H}$  such that  $\{\mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{H}^{-1} \mathbf{X}_j\}$  is a metric reconstruction

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}^i &= \mathbf{P}_M^i \mathbf{X}_M \\ \mathbf{P}_M^i &= \mathbf{K}^i [\mathbf{R}^i \mid \mathbf{t}^i] = \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{H}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m\end{aligned}$$

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## Algebraic framework

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- Rectifying homography  $H$ :

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{P}_M^1 = \mathbf{P}^1 \mathbf{H} \\ \downarrow \quad \longleftarrow \quad \mathbf{P}^1 = [\mathbf{I} | 0] \quad \mathbf{P}_M^1 = \mathbf{K}^1 [\mathbf{I} | 0] \\ \mathbf{K}^1 [\mathbf{I} | 0] = [\mathbf{I} | 0] \mathbf{H} \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}^1 & 0 \\ \mathbf{v}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & s & x_0 \\ & \alpha_y & y_0 \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Plane at infinity  $\pi_\infty$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_\infty &= \mathbf{H}^{-T} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (\mathbf{K}^1)^{-T} & -(\mathbf{K}^1)^{-T} \mathbf{v} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -(\mathbf{K}^1)^{-T} \mathbf{v} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \pi_\infty &= (\mathbf{p}^T, 1)^T \rightarrow \mathbf{p} = -(\mathbf{K}^1)^{-T} \mathbf{v} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}^1 & 0 \\ -\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{K}^1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}} \end{aligned}$$

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## Basic equation

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- Basic equation for auto-calibration

✓ For  $\mathbf{P}^i = [\mathbf{A}^i | \mathbf{a}^i]$

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}^1 & 0 \\ -\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{K}^1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}_M^i &= \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{H} = [\mathbf{A}^i | \mathbf{a}^i] \mathbf{H} \quad \text{for } i = 2, \dots, m \\ \mathbf{K}^i \mathbf{R}^i &= (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T) \mathbf{K}^1 \quad * \text{Consider 3x3 term} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{R}^i = (\mathbf{K}^i)^{-1} (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T) \mathbf{K}^1$$

$$\downarrow \mathbf{R} \mathbf{R}^T = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{K}^i \mathbf{K}^{iT} = (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T) \mathbf{K}^1 \mathbf{K}^{1T} (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T)^T}$$

✓ In terms of AC (or DIAC)  $\mathbf{K}^i \mathbf{K}^{iT} = \boldsymbol{\omega}^{*i}$

$$\boxed{\boldsymbol{\omega}^{*i} = (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T) \boldsymbol{\omega}^{*1} (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T)^T}$$

$$\boxed{\boldsymbol{\omega}^i = (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T)^{-T} \boldsymbol{\omega}^1 (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T)^{-1}}$$

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## Basic equation

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- How to find  $\omega^i (\omega^{*i})$  and  $\mathbf{p}$ ?
- Methods:
  - Calibration using the absolute dual quadric
  - The Kruppa equations
  - A stratified solution

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## Calibration using the DIAQ

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- Absolute dual quadric  $\mathbf{Q}_\infty^*$  :
  - 4x4 homogeneous matrix of rank 3
  - PSD (positive semi-definite)
  - $\mathbf{Q}_\infty^* \boldsymbol{\pi}_\infty = \mathbf{0}$
  - $\mathbf{K}\mathbf{K}^T = \omega^* = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{Q}_\infty^*\mathbf{P}^T$
- Idea of calibration:  $\boxed{\text{constraints on } \mathbf{K}} \longrightarrow \mathbf{Q}_\infty^* \xrightarrow{\text{decomposition}} \mathbf{H}$
- Simple property of absolute dual quadric
  - Canonical form in Euclidean frame

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{3 \times 3} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{X}_M = \mathbf{H}^{-1} \mathbf{X}$$

- In a projective coordinate frame  $\boxed{\mathbf{Q}_\infty^* = \mathbf{H} \tilde{\mathbf{I}} \mathbf{H}^T}$

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## Calibration using the DIAQ

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- Equivalence to auto-calibration equations

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Q}_\infty^* &= \mathbf{H}\tilde{\mathbf{I}}\mathbf{H}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}^1 & 0 \\ -\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{K}^1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{3 \times 3} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}^1 & 0 \\ -\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{K}^1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}^1 \mathbf{K}^{1T} & -\mathbf{K}^1 \mathbf{K}^{1T} \mathbf{p} \\ -\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{K}^1 \mathbf{K}^{1T} & \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{K}^1 \mathbf{K}^{1T} \mathbf{p} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\omega}^{*1} & -\boldsymbol{\omega}^{*1} \mathbf{p} \\ -\mathbf{p}^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^{*1} & \mathbf{p}^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^{*1} \mathbf{p} \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \boldsymbol{\omega}^{*i} &= \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{Q}_\infty^* \mathbf{P}^{iT} = (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T) \mathbf{K}^1 \mathbf{K}^{1T} (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T)^T \end{aligned}$$

- How to estimate  $\mathbf{Q}_\infty^*$  :

- ✓ Utilize constraints on the internal parameters of  $\mathbf{K}$  (equivalently on  $\boldsymbol{\omega}^i$  or  $\boldsymbol{\omega}^{*i}$ )
- ✓ Linear solution
- ✓ Non-linear solution
- ✓ Iterative methods

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## Calibration using the DIAQ

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- Linear solution for  $\mathbf{Q}_\infty^*$  from a set of images

The forms of  $\boldsymbol{\omega} = (\mathbf{K}\mathbf{K}^T)^{-1}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\omega}^* = \boldsymbol{\omega}^{-1} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{K}^T$  for a camera with calibration matrix  $\mathbf{K}$  as in (5.10-p143) are

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}^* = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x^2 + s^2 + x_0^2 & s\alpha_y + x_0y_0 & x_0 \\ s\alpha_y + x_0y_0 & \alpha_y^2 + y_0^2 & y_0 \\ x_0 & y_0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (18.9)$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \frac{1}{\alpha_x^2 \alpha_y^2} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_y^2 & -s\alpha_y & -x_0\alpha_y^2 + y_0s\alpha_y \\ -s\alpha_y & \alpha_x^2 + s^2 & \alpha_y s x_0 - \alpha_x^2 y_0 - s^2 y_0 \\ -x_0\alpha_y^2 + y_0s\alpha_y & \alpha_y s x_0 - \alpha_x^2 y_0 - s^2 y_0 & \alpha_x^2 \alpha_y^2 + \alpha_x^2 y_0^2 + (\alpha_y x_0 - s y_0)^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (18.10)$$

If the skew is zero, i.e.  $s = 0$ , then the expressions simplify to

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}^* = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x^2 + x_0^2 & x_0y_0 & x_0 \\ x_0y_0 & \alpha_y^2 + y_0^2 & y_0 \\ x_0 & y_0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (18.11)$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \frac{1}{\alpha_x^2 \alpha_y^2} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_y^2 & 0 & -\alpha_y^2 x_0 \\ 0 & \alpha_x^2 & -\alpha_x^2 y_0 \\ -\alpha_y^2 x_0 & -\alpha_x^2 y_0 & \alpha_x^2 \alpha_y^2 + \alpha_y^2 x_0^2 + \alpha_x^2 y_0^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (18.12)$$

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## Calibration using the DIAQ

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- Specifying linear constraints on  $\mathbf{Q}_\infty^*$ 
  - ✓ Assume that principle point is known and transformed to the origin.

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}^* = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x^2 + s^2 & s\alpha_y & 0 \\ s\alpha_y & \alpha_y^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}_{13}^{*i} = (\mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{Q}_\infty^* \mathbf{P}^{iT})_{13} = \boldsymbol{\omega}_{23}^{*i} = (\mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{Q}_\infty^* \mathbf{P}^{iT})_{23} = 0$$

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}_{13}^{*i} = \mathbf{P}_1^i \mathbf{Q}_\infty^* \mathbf{P}_3^{iT} = \boldsymbol{\omega}_{23}^{*i} = \mathbf{P}_2^i \mathbf{Q}_\infty^* \mathbf{P}_3^{iT} = 0 \longrightarrow 2 \text{ equations}$$

- ✓ DAQ may be parameterized linearly by 10 homogeneous parameters.

$$\mathbf{Ax} = 0$$

- ✓ From five images a total of 10 equation are obtained.  
 $\approx 8\text{DOF} = 10 - 1(\text{scale factor}) - 1 \{ \det(\text{DAQ}) = 0 \}$

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## Calibration using the DIAQ

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- Auto-calibration constraints derived from the DIAC

Condition	constraint	type	# constraints
zero skew	$\omega_{12}^* \omega_{33}^* = \omega_{13}^* \omega_{23}^*$	quadratic	$m$
principal point (p.p.) at origin	$\omega_{13}^* = \omega_{23}^* = 0$	linear	$2m$
zero skew (p.p. at origin)	$\omega_{12}^* = 0$	linear	$m$
fixed (unknown) aspect ratio (zero skew and p.p. at origin)	$\frac{\omega_{11}^*}{\omega_{22}^*} = \frac{\omega_{11}^*}{\omega_{22}^*}$	quadratic	$m - 1$
known aspect ratio $r = \alpha_y / \alpha_x$ (zero skew and p.p. at origin)	$r^2 \omega_{11}^* = \omega_{22}^*$	linear	$m$

- Example: variable focal length
  - ✓ Zero skew, principal point at origin, unit aspect ratio
  - ✓ 4 constraints per view  $\longrightarrow$  if  $m \geq 3$ , unique solution exists

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## Calibration using the DIAQ

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- **Nonlinear solution for  $\mathbf{Q}_\infty^*$  :**

i) Constant internal parameter case (same cameras)

$$\omega^{*i} = \omega^{*j} \longleftrightarrow \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{Q}_\infty^* \mathbf{P}^{iT} = \mathbf{P}^j \mathbf{Q}_\infty^* \mathbf{P}^{jT} \text{ (up tp scale)}$$

$$\omega_{11}^{*i} / \omega_{11}^{*j} = \omega_{12}^{*i} / \omega_{12}^{*j} = \omega_{13}^{*i} / \omega_{13}^{*j} = \omega_{22}^{*i} / \omega_{22}^{*j} = \omega_{23}^{*i} / \omega_{23}^{*j} = \omega_{33}^{*i} / \omega_{33}^{*j}$$

- ✓ 5 equation for 2 view
- ✓ 10 equations for 3 view → sufficient

ii) Calibration assuming zero skew

$$\omega_{12}^{*i} \omega_{33}^{*i} = \omega_{13}^{*i} \omega_{23}^{*i}$$

- ✓ Single quadric constraint per view
- ✓  $m$  equations with  $m$  views +  $\det \mathbf{Q}_\infty^* = 0$

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## Calibration using the DIAQ

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- **Iterative methods**

- ✓ The known scale factor problem can be eliminated by using a matrix norm.
- ✓ Cost function

$$\sum_i \left\| \mathbf{K}^i \mathbf{K}^{iT} - \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{Q}_\infty^* \mathbf{P}^{iT} \right\|_F^2$$

- ✓ In case of the focal length is the only unknown per view, cost function would be minimized over  $m+3$  parameters.  
(focal length of each view (total  $m$ ), and 3 parameters of  $\mathbf{p}$ )

- ✓ Method
  - Get Initial value from linear solution
  - Use LM method with cost function to unknown parameter ( $m+3$ ) .

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## Counting argument

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- Consider  $m$  views
- Assume  $k$  parameters are known,  $f$  parameters are fixed but unknown ( $k+f < 5$ )
- The number of total constraints:  $mk + f(m-1)$
- The requirement for calibration

$$mk + (m-1)f \geq 8$$

- **Limitations of absolute quadratic approach**
- Limitations of least-square algebraic solution
  - ✓ Solution does not satisfy the constraints precisely
  - ✓ Enforcing the PSD condition is difficult, leading spurious calibration

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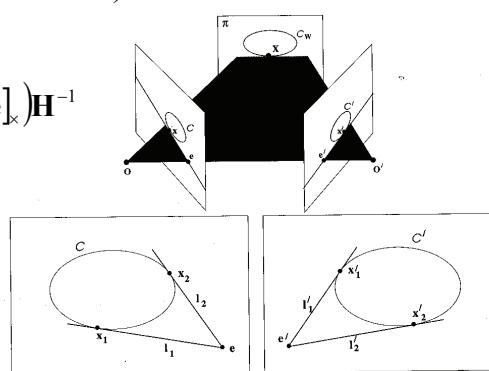
## The Kruppa equations

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- First auto-calibration method
- Two-view constraints on  $\omega^*$  that require only  $\mathbf{F}$  to be known

$[\mathbf{e}]_{\times} \mathbf{C}^* [\mathbf{e}]_{\times}$  (degenerate line conic)

$$[\mathbf{e}']_{\times} \mathbf{C}^{*\prime} [\mathbf{e}']_{\times} = \mathbf{H}^{-T} ([\mathbf{e}]_{\times} \mathbf{C}^* [\mathbf{e}]_{\times}) \mathbf{H}^{-1} \\ = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{C}^* \mathbf{F}^T$$



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## The Kruppa equations

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- Let  $\mathbf{C}^* = \boldsymbol{\omega}^*, \mathbf{C}'^* = \boldsymbol{\omega}'^*$  (and  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_\infty$ ) then

$$[\mathbf{e}']_\times \boldsymbol{\omega}^* [\mathbf{e}']_\times = \mathbf{F} \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{F}^T$$

- This can be rewritten as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_2^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{u}_2 \\ -\mathbf{u}_1^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{u}_2 \\ \mathbf{u}_1^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{u}_2 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 \mathbf{v}_1^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \mathbf{v}_1^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{v}_2 \\ \sigma_2^2 \mathbf{v}_2^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{v}_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

where

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{V}^T = \mathbf{U} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \sigma_2 & \\ & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{V}^T$$

✓ 3 quadric equations for  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_{ij}^*$  of  $\boldsymbol{\omega}^*$

- For identical  $\mathbf{K}$ s,

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}^* = \boldsymbol{\omega}'^* \Rightarrow [\mathbf{e}']_\times \boldsymbol{\omega}^* [\mathbf{e}']_\times = \mathbf{F} \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{F}^T$$

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## The Kruppa equations

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- Example

- ✓ Assume all the parameters are known except the focal length.
- ✓ Then

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}^* = \text{diag}(\alpha^2, \alpha^2, 1), \quad \boldsymbol{\omega}'^* = \text{diag}(\alpha'^2, \alpha'^2, 1)$$

- ✓ And the Kruppa equations become

$$\frac{\mathbf{u}_2^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{u}_2}{\sigma_1^2 \mathbf{v}_1^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{v}_1} = \frac{\mathbf{u}_1^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{u}_2}{\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \mathbf{v}_1^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{v}_2} = \frac{\mathbf{u}_1^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{u}_2}{\sigma_2^2 \mathbf{v}_2^T \boldsymbol{\omega}^* \mathbf{v}_2}$$

2 quadratic eqs. in  $\alpha^2$  and  $\alpha'^2$

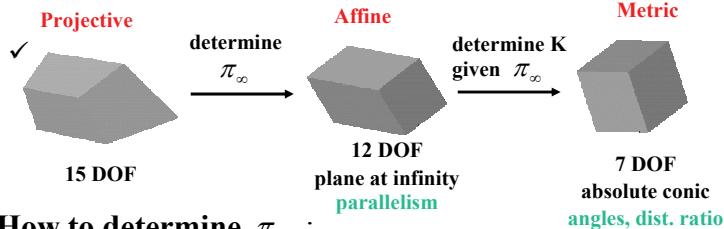
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## A stratified solution

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- Calibration steps



- How to determine  $\pi_\infty$ :

- The modulus constraint

✓ Assumption : The internal parameters are constant.

$$\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{p}^T = \mu \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \leftarrow (\mathbf{K}^i \mathbf{R}^i = (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T) \mathbf{K}^1)$$

Scale factor

$\mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}^{-1}$  is conjugate to a rotation  $\rightarrow$  eigenvalues :  $\{1, e^{i\theta}, e^{-i\theta}\}$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{p}^T \rightarrow \text{eigenvalues} : \{\mu, \mu e^{i\theta}, \mu e^{-i\theta}\}}$$

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## A stratified solution

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$$\begin{aligned} \det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{a}\mathbf{p}^T) &= (\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2)(\lambda - \lambda_3) \\ &= \lambda^3 - f_1\lambda^2 + f_2\lambda - f_3 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda_i$  are the 3 eigenvalues.

$$f_1 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = \mu(1 + 2 \cos \theta)$$

$$f_2 = \lambda_1\lambda_2 + \lambda_1\lambda_3 + \lambda_2\lambda_3 = \mu^2(1 + 2 \cos \theta)$$

$$f_3 = \lambda_1\lambda_2\lambda_3 = \mu^3$$

Eliminating the scalar  $\mu$  and angle  $\theta$  we obtain

$$\boxed{f_3 f_1^3 = f_2^3}$$

$$\det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{a}\mathbf{p}^T) \longrightarrow \text{Quartic polynomial in the 3 elements } p_i \text{ of } \mathbf{p}$$

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ii) Other methods of finding  $\pi_\infty$

- ✓ Straightforward method (Using 3 vanishing points) [Chap.9]
- ✓ Pure translation : No rotation, constant internal parameter
  - $\pi_\infty$  is determined uniquely.
- ✓ Using ADC  $\mathbf{Q}_\infty^* \boldsymbol{\pi}_\infty = \mathbf{0}$
- ✓ Quasi-affine reconstruction. [Chap.20]
- ✓ Bounds imposed by cheirality.

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- Affine to metric conversion

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_\infty(\mathbf{p}) \longrightarrow \mathbf{H}_\infty \longrightarrow \boldsymbol{\omega}(\boldsymbol{\omega}^*) \longrightarrow \mathbf{K}$$

✓ How to find the infinite homography  $\mathbf{H}_\infty$

$\boldsymbol{\pi}_\infty = (\mathbf{p}^T, 1)^T$ , and  $\mathbf{P}^i = [\mathbf{A}^i \mid \mathbf{a}^i]$  are known  
then

$$\mathbf{H}_\infty^i = \mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T \quad ; \text{if } \mathbf{P}^1 = [\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}]$$

$$\mathbf{H}_\infty^i = (\mathbf{A}^i - \mathbf{a}^i \mathbf{p}^T) (\mathbf{A}^1 - \mathbf{a}^1 \mathbf{p}^T)^{-1} \quad ; \text{if } \mathbf{P}^1 = [\mathbf{A}^1 \mid \mathbf{a}^1]$$

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- ✓ Transformation of IAC (DIAC) through  $\mathbf{H}_\infty^i$

$$\omega^{*i} = \mathbf{H}_\infty^i \omega^* \mathbf{H}_\infty^{iT} \quad \text{and} \quad \omega^i = (\mathbf{H}_\infty^i)^{-T} \omega^* (\mathbf{H}_\infty^i)^{-1}$$

$\mathbf{H}_\infty^i$  is normalized as  $\det \mathbf{H}_\infty^i = 1$  for the scale factors.

- ✓ If fixed camera ( $\omega^{*i} = \omega^*$ )

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0} \quad \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{A}: 6 \times 6 \text{ matrix} \\ \mathbf{c} : \text{conic } \omega^* \text{ written as a 6-vector} \end{array}$$

- ✓ If  $m \geq 2$  views,  $\mathbf{A}$  is a  $6m \times 6$  matrix.

$$\mathbf{c} \rightarrow \omega \rightarrow \mathbf{K}$$

↑  
Cholesky decomposition

$$\omega^* = \begin{bmatrix} f_x^2 + c_x^2 & c_x c_y & c_x \\ c_x c_y & f_y^2 + c_y^2 & c_y \\ c_x & c_y & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\omega = \frac{1}{f_x^2 f_y^2} \begin{bmatrix} f_y^2 & 0 & -f_y^2 c_x \\ 0 & f_x^2 & -f_x^2 c_y \\ -f_y^2 c_x & -f_x^2 c_y & f_x^2 f_y^2 + f_y^2 c_x^2 + f_x^2 c_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ✓ Linear solution using IAC is more practical than using DIAC

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- Auto-calibration constraints derived from the IAC

Condition	constraint	type	# constraints
zero skew	$\omega_{12} = 0$	linear	$m$
principal point at origin	$\omega_{13} = \omega_{23} = 0$	linear	$2m$
known aspect ratio $r = \alpha_y/\alpha_x$ (assuming zero skew)	$\omega_{11} = r^2 \omega_{22}$	linear	$m$
fixed (unknown) aspect ratio (assuming zero skew)	$\omega_{11}^i/\omega_{22}^i = \omega_{11}^j/\omega_{22}^j$	quadratic	$m - 1$

- In order to make the solution satisfy the constraints precisely, one may impose the known info. as hard constraints

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## A stratified solution

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### Objective

Given a projective reconstruction  $\{P^i, X_j\}$ , where  $P^i = [A^i \mid a^i]$ , determine a metric reconstruction via an intermediate affine reconstruction.

### Algorithm

- (i) **Affine rectification:** Determine the vector  $p$  that defines  $\pi_\infty$ , using one of the methods described in section 18.5.1. At this point an affine reconstruction may be obtained as  $\{P^i H_p, H_p^{-1} X_j\}$  with

$$H_p = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ -p^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (ii) **Infinite homography:** Compute the infinite homography between the reference view and the others as

$$H_\infty^i = (A^i - a^i p^\top).$$

Normalize the matrix so that  $\det H_\infty^i = 1$ .

- (iii) **Compute  $\omega$ :**

- In the case of constant calibration: rewrite the equations  $\omega = (H_\infty^i)^{-T} \omega (H_\infty^i)^{-1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$  as  $A\omega = 0$  with  $A$  a  $6m \times 6$  matrix, and  $\omega$  the elements of the conic  $\omega$  arranged as a 6-vector, or
- For variable calibration parameters, use the equation  $\omega^i = (H_\infty^i)^{-T} \omega (H_\infty^i)^{-1}$  to express linear constraints on entries of  $\omega^i$  (e.g. zero skew) as linear equations in the entries of  $\omega$ .

- (iv) Obtain a least-squares solution to  $A\omega = 0$  via SVD.

- (v) **Metric rectification:** Determine the camera matrix  $K$  from the Cholesky decomposition  $\omega = (KK^\top)^{-1}$ . Then a metric reconstruction is obtained as  $\{P^i H_p H_A, (H_p H_A)^{-1} X_j\}$  with

$$H_A = \begin{bmatrix} K & 0 \\ 0^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (vi) Use iterative least-squares minimization to improve the solution (see section 18.3.3).

Stratified auto-calibration algorithm using IAC constraints.

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## Calibration from rotating cameras

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- Examples:
  - ✓ Pan-tilt zoom surveillance camera
  - ✓ broadcasting camera
  - ✓ handheld camcorder at a single position
- Determining  $H_\infty$  from rotating camera views

$$\mathbf{x}^i = \mathbf{H}^i \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathbf{H}^i = \mathbf{H}_\infty^i = \mathbf{K}^i \mathbf{R}^i (\mathbf{K})^{-1}$$

- ✓ Example : Rotation about center with varying internal parameters

- Zero skew  $\left( (\mathbf{H}_\infty^i)^{-T} \boldsymbol{\omega} (\mathbf{H}_\infty^i)^{-1} \right)_{12} = 0$

- Unit aspect ratio  $\left( (\mathbf{H}_\infty^i)^{-T} \boldsymbol{\omega} (\mathbf{H}_\infty^i)^{-1} \right)_{11} = \left( (\mathbf{H}_\infty^i)^{-T} \boldsymbol{\omega} (\mathbf{H}_\infty^i)^{-1} \right)_{22}$

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### Objective

Given  $m \geq 2$  views acquired by a camera rotating about its centre with fixed or varying internal parameters, compute the parameters of each camera. It is assumed that the rotations are not all about the same axis.

### Algorithm

- (i) **Inter-image homographies:** Compute the homography  $H^i$  between each view  $i$  and a reference view such that  $\mathbf{x}^i = H^i \mathbf{x}$  using, for example, algorithm 3.6-(p108). Normalize the matrices such that  $\det H^i = 1$ .
- (ii) **Compute  $\omega$ :**
  - In the case of constant calibration: rewrite the equations  $\omega = (H^i)^{-T} \omega (H^i)^{-1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$  as  $A\omega = \mathbf{0}$  where  $A$  is a  $6m \times 6$  matrix, and  $\mathbf{c}$  the elements of the conic  $\omega$  arranged as a 6-vector, or
  - For variable calibration parameters, use the equation  $\omega^i = (H^i)^{-T} \omega (H^i)^{-1}$  to express linear constraints on entries of  $\omega^i$  in table 18.4 (e.g. unit aspect ratio) as linear equations in the entries of  $\omega$ .
- (iii) **Compute  $K$ :** Determine the Cholesky decomposition of  $\omega$  as  $\omega = UU^T$ , and then  $K = U^{-T}$ .
- (iv) **Iterative improvement:** (Optional) Refine the linear estimate of  $K$  by minimizing

$$\sum_{i=2, m; j=1, n} d(\mathbf{x}_j^i, KR^i \mathbf{x}_j)^2$$

over  $K$  and  $R^i$ , where  $\mathbf{x}_j^i, \mathbf{x}_j$  are the position of the  $j$ -th point measured in the first and  $i$ -th images respectively. Initial estimates for the minimization are obtained from  $K$  and  $R^i = K^{-1} H^i K$ .

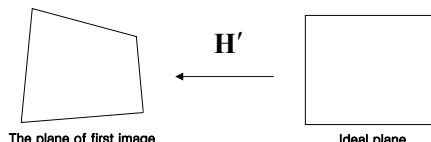
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## Auto-calibration from planes

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- Potential applications
  - ✓ Ground plane, aerial images
- Auto-Calibration from scene planes
  - Only requires homographies between planes
  - No need of  $F$  or  $T$



- ✓ Let the imaged circular points in the first view to be

$$\mathbf{c}_j = H'(1, \pm i, 0)^T \quad j = 1, 2$$

- ✓ Then given  $H^i$ , in the  $i$ -th view

$$(H^i \mathbf{c}_j)^T \omega^i (H^i \mathbf{c}_j) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \quad j = 1, 2 \quad H^1 = I$$

- ✓ Solution is possible if  $2m \geq v + 4$  # of parameters in  $\mathbf{c}_j$   
# of unknown parameters in  $K$

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## Practical consideration

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- Avoid ambiguous motion sequences
- Use as much info. you have
- Refine using bundle adjustment

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

- ✓ Enforce constraints or priors on intrinsics during minimization

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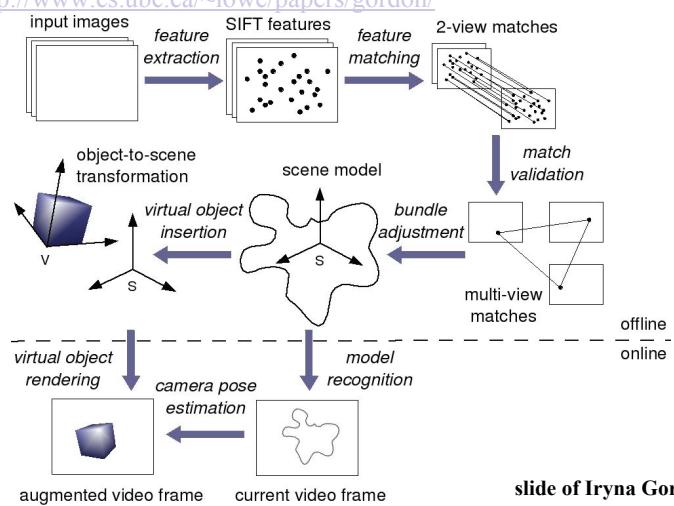
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- AR (Augmented Reality)

<http://www.cs.ubc.ca/~lowe/papers/gordon/>



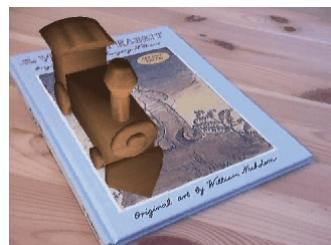
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- **Urban 3D Modelling from Video**  
(<http://www.cs.unc.edu/Research/urbanscape/>)



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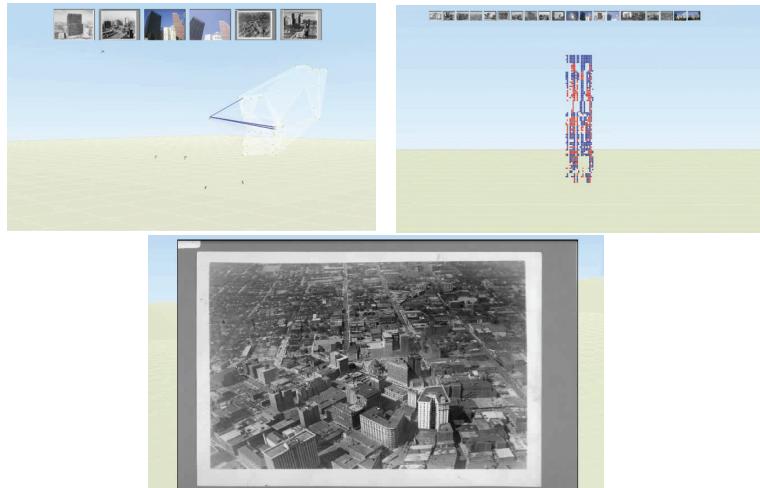
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- **4D Cities:** Spatio-Temporal Reconstruction from Images

<http://www.cc.gatech.edu/4d-cities/dhtml/index.html>



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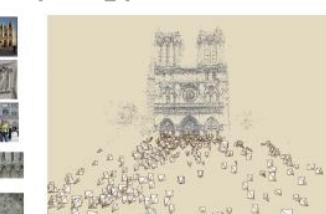
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### Photo Tourism Exploring photo collections in 3D

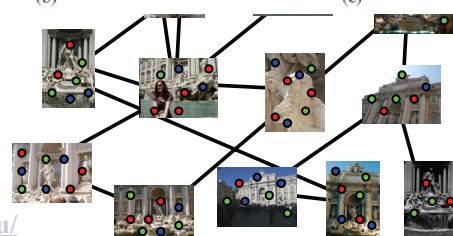
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(a)

(b)

(c)



<http://phototour.cs.washington.edu/>

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