

Announcements

- Project 3 due Thursday by 11:59pm
- Demos on Friday; signup on CMS
- Prelim to be distributed in class Friday, due Wednesday by the beginning of class
 - No late exams accepted

Lines and points

- See board
- Homographies map lines to lines
- Homographies map points to points
- Is there anything that maps a point to a line?

A couple important things...

- Homogeneous points
 - How do you represent a point at infinity?
 - How many points at infinity are there?
 - What is a vanishing line?
- What are the parameters of a camera?
 - What does the K matrix mean?
- Another way to fit a line to a set of points?

Questions?

CS4670 / 5670 : Computer Vision

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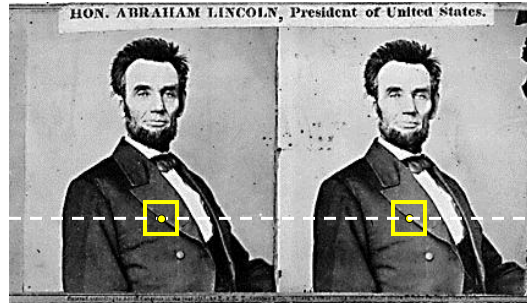
Lecture 20: Two-view geometry



Readings

- Szeliski, Chapter 7.2
- “Fundamental matrix song”

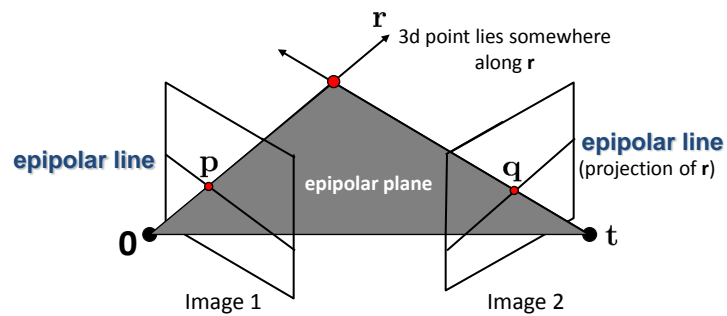
Back to stereo



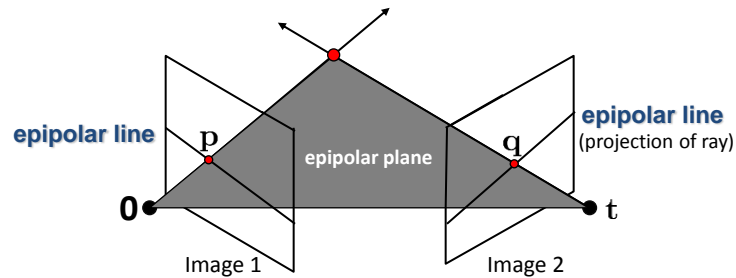
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Two-view geometry

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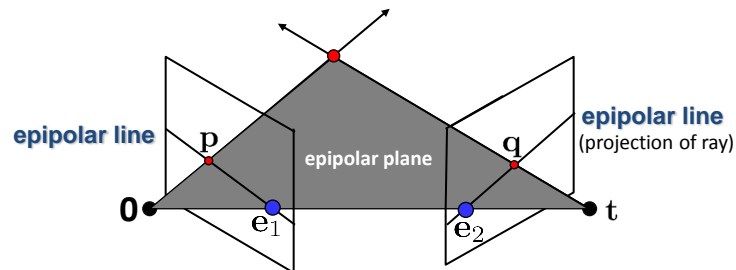


Fundamental matrix



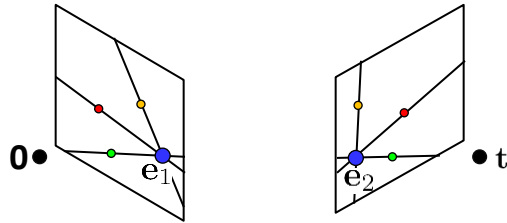
- This *epipolar geometry* of two views is described by a Very Special 3x3 matrix \mathbf{F} , called the *fundamental matrix*
- \mathbf{F} maps (homogeneous) *points* in image 1 to *lines* in image 2!
- The epipolar line (in image 2) of point \mathbf{p} is: $\mathbf{F}\mathbf{p}$
- *Epipolar constraint* on corresponding points: $\mathbf{q}^T \mathbf{F} \mathbf{p} = 0$

Fundamental matrix



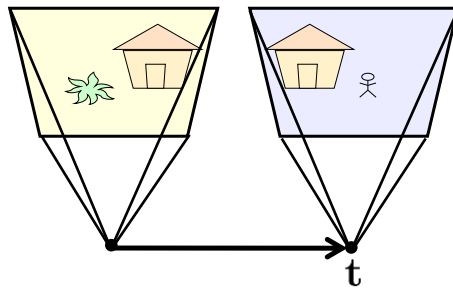
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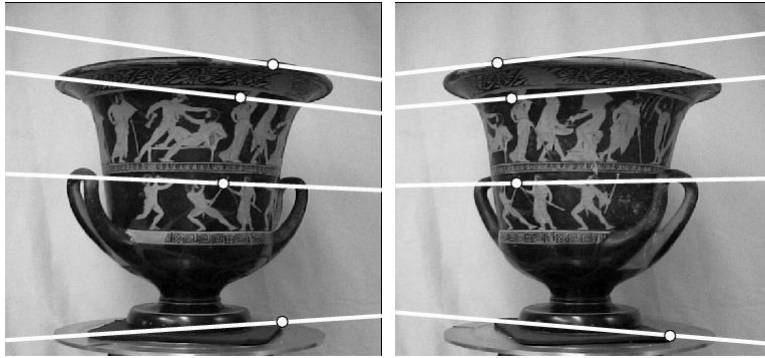
- Two special points: \mathbf{e}_1 and \mathbf{e}_2 (the *epipoles*): projection of one camera into the other
- All of the epipolar lines in an image pass through the epipole

Rectified case

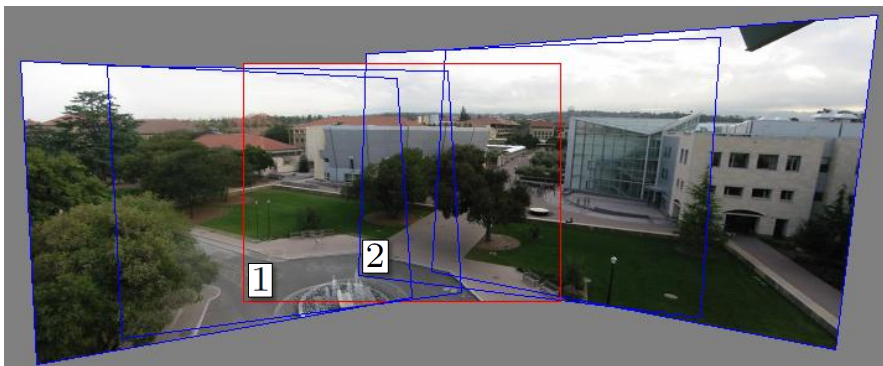


- Images have the same orientation, \mathbf{t} parallel to image planes
- Where are the epipoles?

Epipolar geometry demo

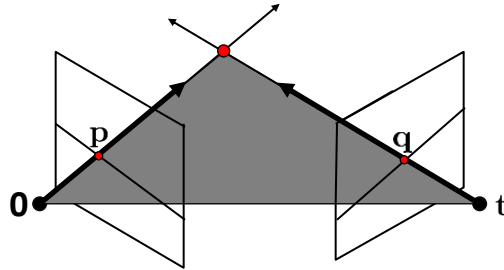


Relationship with homography?



Images taken from the same center of projection? Use a homography!

Fundamental matrix – uncalibrated case



\mathbf{K}_1 : intrinsics of camera 1

\mathbf{K}_2 : intrinsics of camera 2

\mathbf{R} : rotation of image 2 w.r.t. camera 1

$$\mathbf{q}^T \underbrace{\mathbf{K}_2^{-T} \mathbf{R} [\mathbf{t}]_{\times} \mathbf{K}_1^{-1}}_{\mathbf{F}} \mathbf{p} = 0$$

\mathbf{F} ← the Fundamental matrix

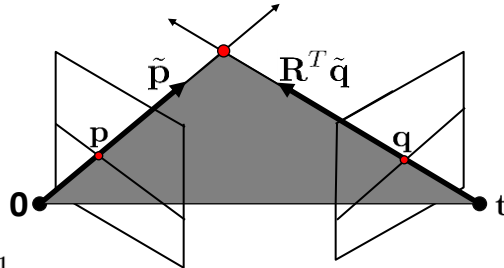
Cross-product as linear operator

Useful fact: Cross product with a vector \mathbf{t} can be represented as multiplication with a (*skew-symmetric*) 3x3 matrix

$$[\mathbf{t}]_{\times} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -t_z & t_y \\ t_z & 0 & -t_x \\ -t_y & t_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{t} \times \tilde{\mathbf{p}} = [\mathbf{t}]_{\times} \tilde{\mathbf{p}}$$

Fundamental matrix – calibrated case



$\tilde{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{K}_1^{-1} \mathbf{p}$: ray through \mathbf{p} in camera 1's (and world) coordinate system

$\tilde{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{K}_2^{-1} \mathbf{q}$: ray through \mathbf{q} in camera 2's coordinate system

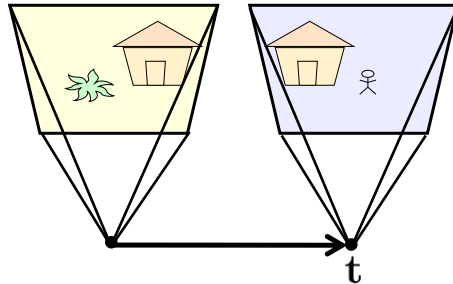
$$\underbrace{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}^T \mathbf{R} [\mathbf{t}]_{\times}}_{\mathbf{E}} \tilde{\mathbf{p}} = 0 \quad \tilde{\mathbf{q}}^T \mathbf{E} \tilde{\mathbf{p}} = 0$$

\mathbf{E} ← the Essential matrix

Properties of the Fundamental Matrix

- $\mathbf{F}\mathbf{p}$ is the epipolar line associated with \mathbf{p}
- $\mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{q}$ is the epipolar line associated with \mathbf{q}
- $\mathbf{F}\mathbf{e}_1 = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{e}_2 = \mathbf{0}$
- \mathbf{F} is rank 2
- How many parameters does \mathbf{F} have?

Rectified case

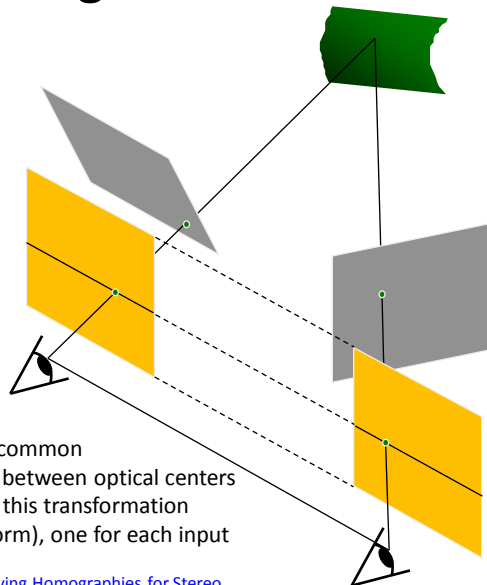


$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}_{3 \times 3}$$

$$\mathbf{t} = [1 \ 0 \ 0]^T$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Stereo image rectification



- reproject image planes onto a common plane parallel to the line between optical centers
 - pixel motion is horizontal after this transformation
 - two homographies (3x3 transform), one for each input image reprojected
- C. Loop and Z. Zhang. [Computing Rectifying Homographies for Stereo Vision](#). IEEE Conf. Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, 1999.

Questions?

Estimating F



- If we don't know K_1 , K_2 , R , or t , can we estimate F for two images?
- Yes, given enough correspondences

Estimating F – 8-point algorithm

- The fundamental matrix F is defined by

$$\mathbf{x}'^T \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x} = 0$$

for any pair of matches \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{x}' in two images.

- Let $\mathbf{x}=(u,v,1)^T$ and $\mathbf{x}'=(u',v',1)^T$,
$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} f_{11} & f_{12} & f_{13} \\ f_{21} & f_{22} & f_{23} \\ f_{31} & f_{32} & f_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$
 each match gives a linear equation

$$uu' f_{11} + vv' f_{12} + u' f_{13} + uv' f_{21} + vv' f_{22} + v' f_{23} + uf_{31} + vf_{32} + f_{33} = 0$$

8-point algorithm

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 u_1' & v_1 u_1' & u_1' & u_1 v_1' & v_1 v_1' & v_1' & u_1 & v_1 & 1 \\ u_2 u_2' & v_2 u_2' & u_2' & u_2 v_2' & v_2 v_2' & v_2' & u_2 & v_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ u_n u_n' & v_n u_n' & u_n' & u_n v_n' & v_n v_n' & v_n' & u_n & v_n & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_{11} \\ f_{12} \\ f_{13} \\ f_{21} \\ f_{22} \\ f_{23} \\ f_{31} \\ f_{32} \\ f_{33} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

- In reality, instead of solving $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{f} = 0$, we seek \mathbf{f} to minimize $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{f}\|$, least eigenvector of $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$.

8-point algorithm – Problem?

- \mathbf{F} should have rank 2
- To enforce that \mathbf{F} is of rank 2, \mathbf{F} is replaced by \mathbf{F}' that minimizes $\|\mathbf{F} - \mathbf{F}'\|$ subject to the rank constraint.
- This is achieved by SVD. Let $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$, where

$$\mathbf{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ let } \mathbf{\Sigma}' = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

then $\mathbf{F}' = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}'\mathbf{V}^T$ is the solution.

8-point algorithm

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% Build the constraint matrix
A = [x2(1,:).'*x1(1,:)' x2(1,:).'*x1(2,:)' x2(1,:)' ...
     x2(2,:).'*x1(1,:)' x2(2,:).'*x1(2,:)' x2(2,:)' ...
     x1(1,:)'          x1(2,:)'          ones(npts,1)];

[U,D,V] = svd(A);

% Extract fundamental matrix from the column of V
% corresponding to the smallest singular value.
F = reshape(V(:,9),3,3)';

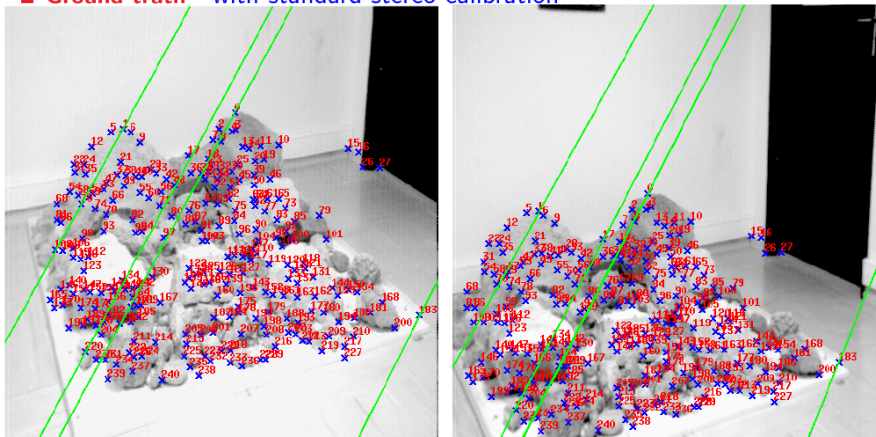
% Enforce rank2 constraint
[U,D,V] = svd(F);
F = U*diag([D(1,1) D(2,2) 0])*V';
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8-point algorithm

- Pros: it is linear, easy to implement and fast
- Cons: susceptible to noise

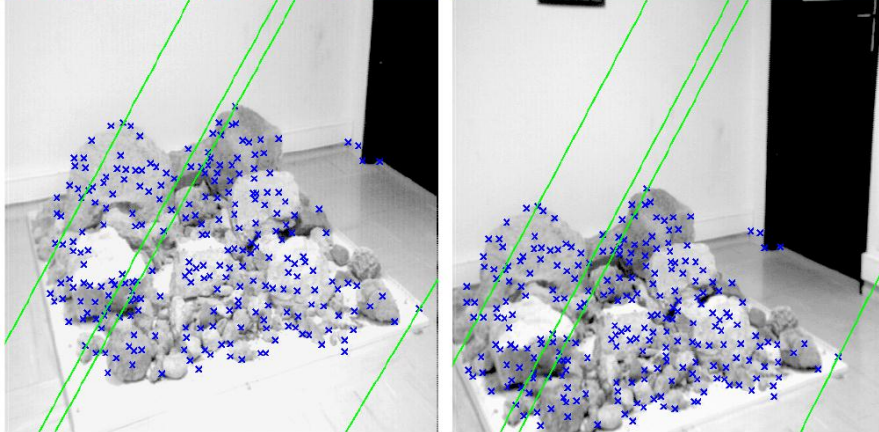
Results (ground truth)

■ Ground truth with standard stereo calibration



Results (normalized 8-point algorithm)

■ Normalized 8-point algorithm



What about more than two views?

- The geometry of three views is described by a $3 \times 3 \times 3$ tensor called the *trifocal tensor*
- The geometry of four views is described by a $3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3$ tensor called the *quadrifocal tensor*
- After this it starts to get complicated...

Large-scale structure from motion



Dubrovnik, Croatia. 4,619 images (out of an initial 57,845).
Total reconstruction time: 23 hours
Number of cores: 352