Camera calibration

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• Project #2 is due next Tuesday before the class



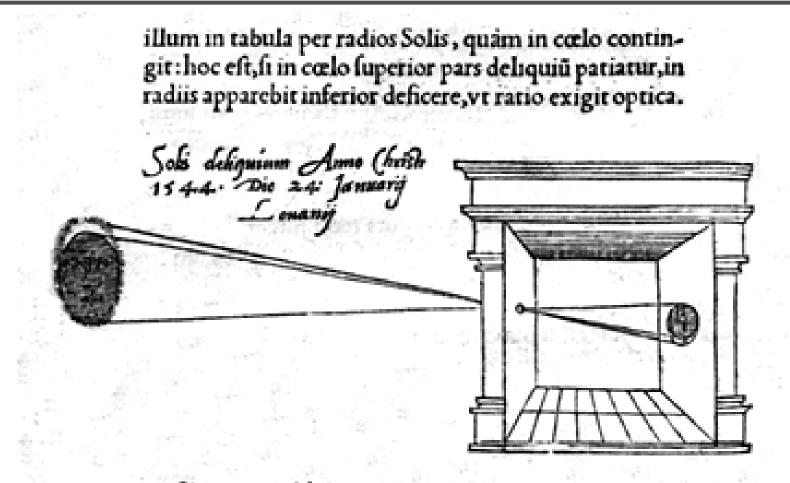
Outline

- Camera projection models
- Camera calibration (tools)
- Nonlinear least square methods
- Bundle adjustment

Camera projection models

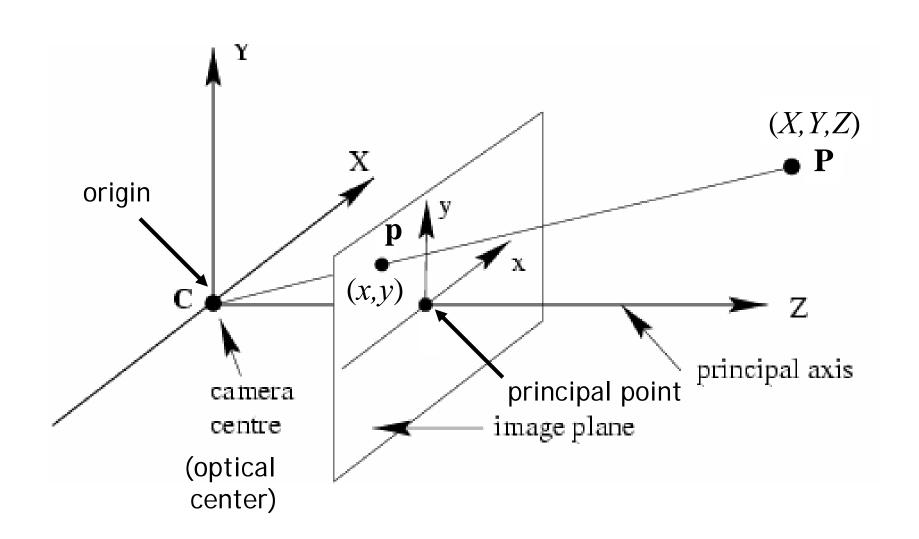


Pinhole camera

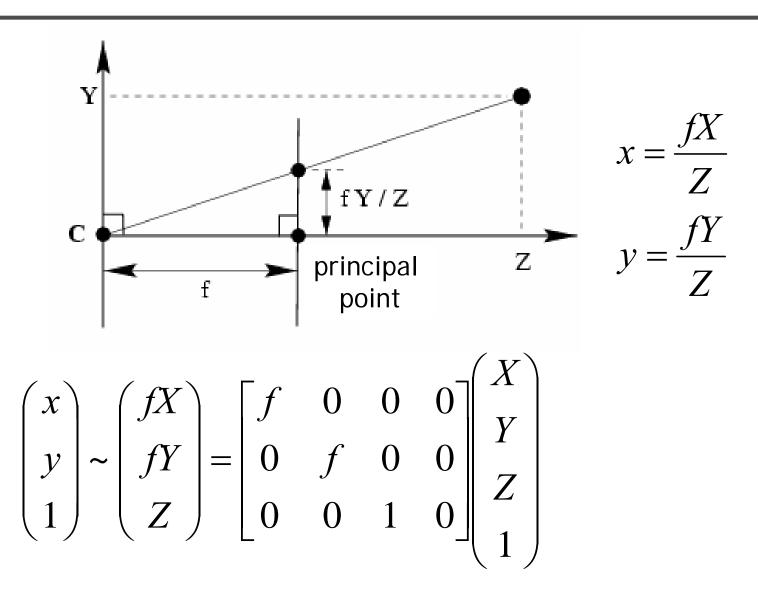


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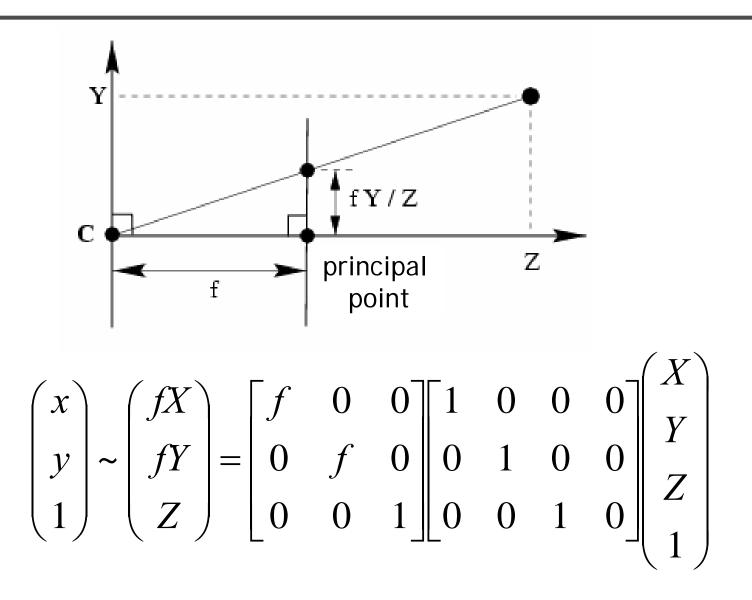




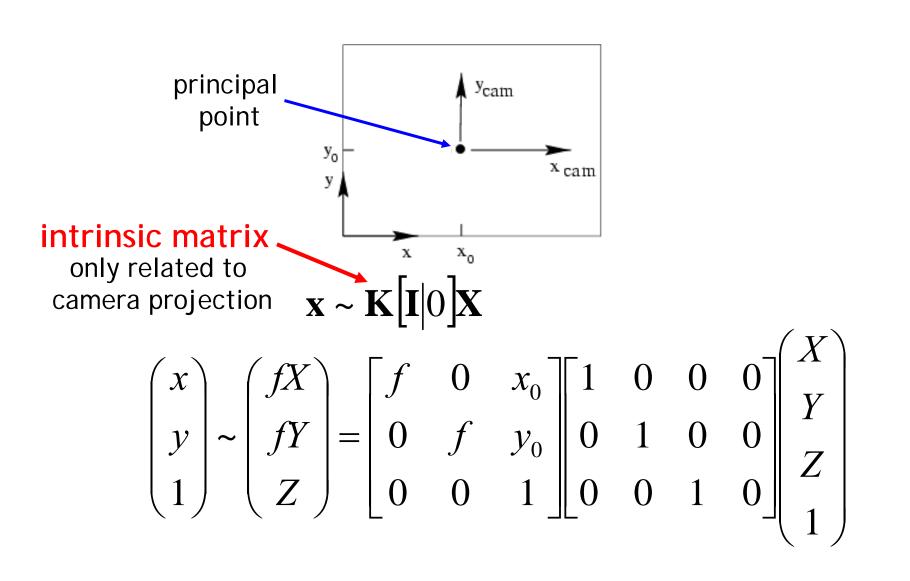














Intrinsic matrix

Is this form of K good enough?

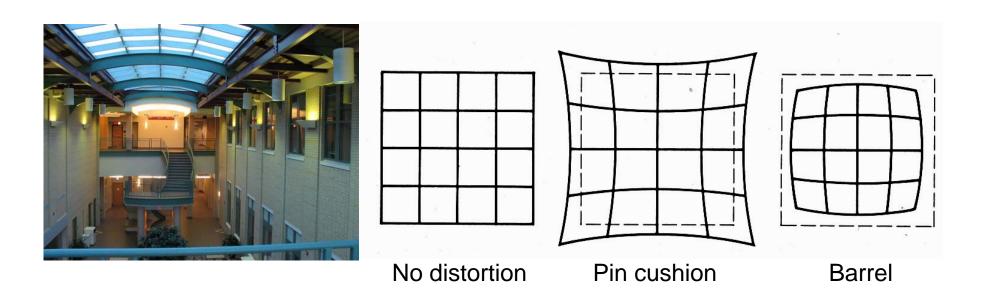
$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & x_0 \\ 0 & f & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- non-square pixels (digital video)
- skew
- radial distortion

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} fa & s & x_0 \\ 0 & f & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



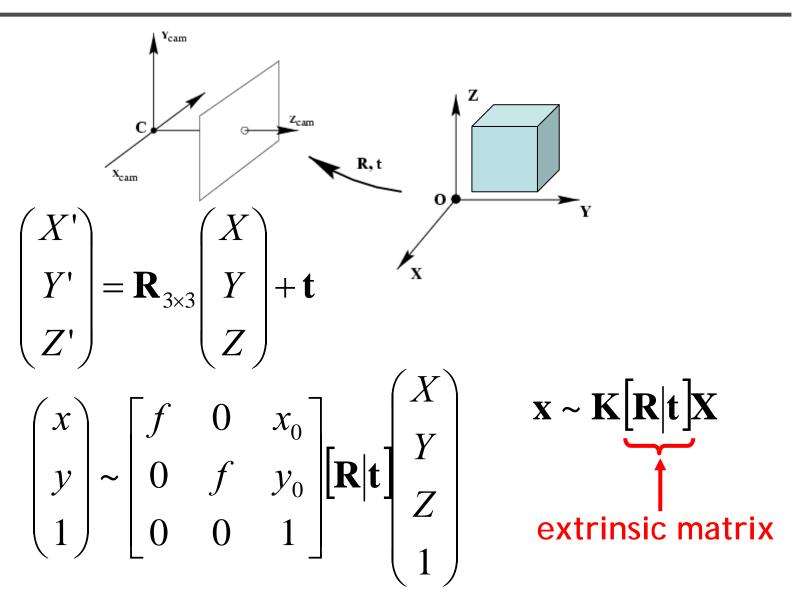
Distortion



- Radial distortion of the image
 - Caused by imperfect lenses
 - Deviations are most noticeable for rays that pass through the edge of the lens



Camera rotation and translation

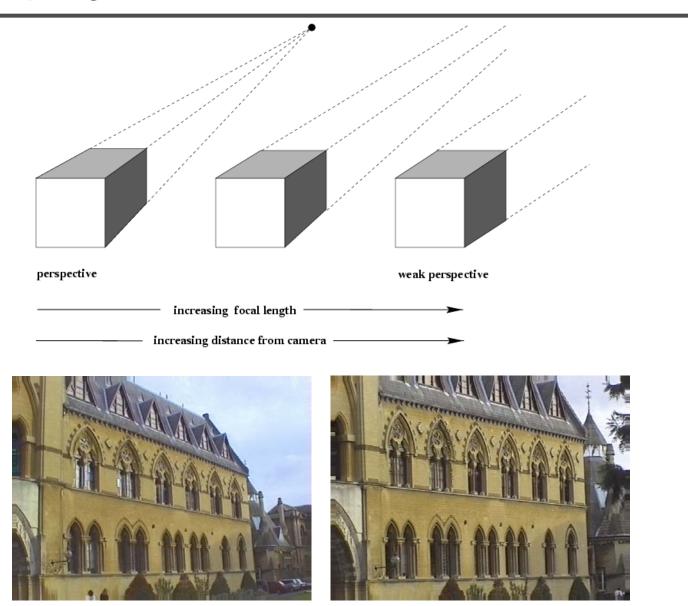




- *internal* or *intrinsic* parameters such as focal length, optical center, aspect ratio: *what kind of camera?*
- *external* or *extrinsic* (pose) parameters including rotation and translation: *where is the camera?*



Other projection models

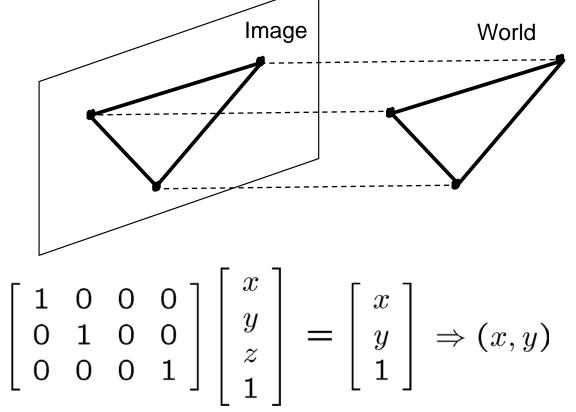


Orthographic projection



• Special case of perspective projection

– Distance from the COP to the PP is infinite



– Also called "parallel projection": $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (x, y)$



Other types of projections

- Scaled orthographic
 - Also called "weak perspective"

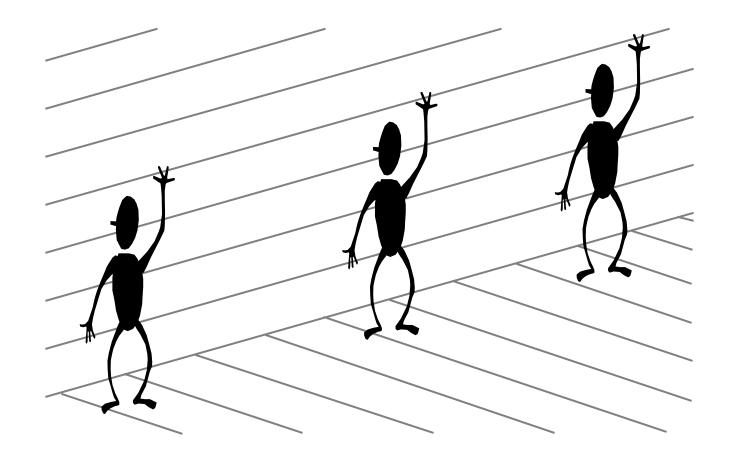
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1/d \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (dx, dy)$$

- Affine projection
 - Also called "paraperspective"

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc}a&b&c&d\\e&f&g&h\\0&0&0&1\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}x\\y\\z\\1\end{array}\right]$$

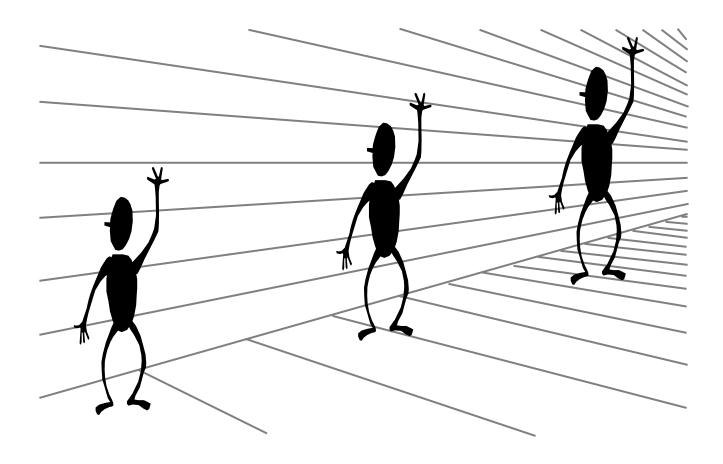


Fun with perspective



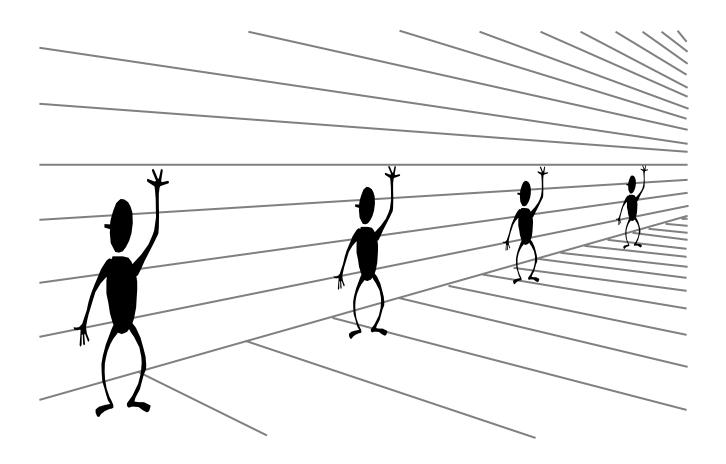


Perspective cues



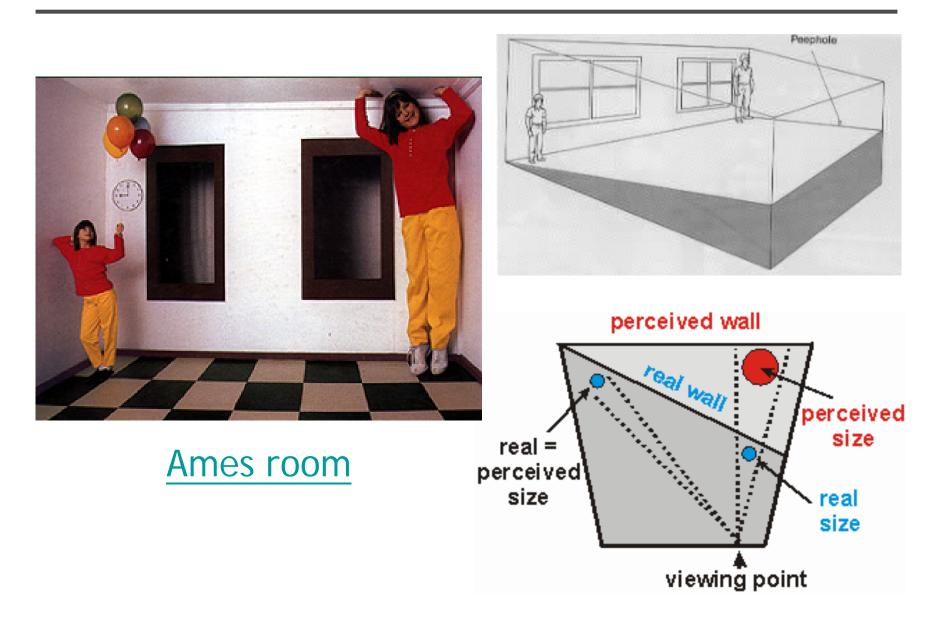


Perspective cues





Fun with perspective



Forced perspective in LOTR





Camera calibration

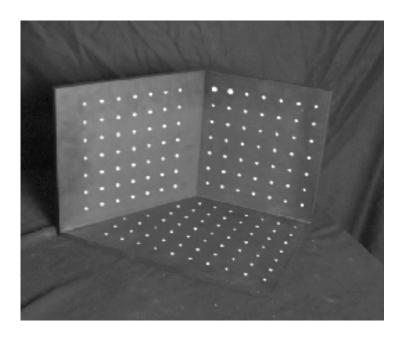
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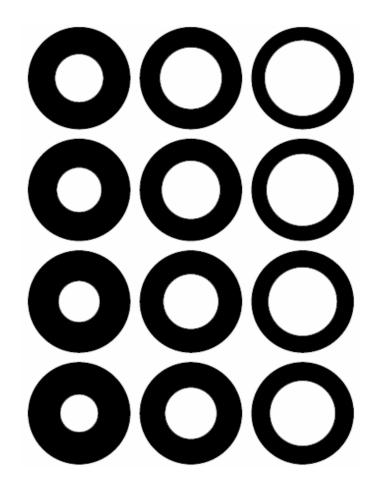


- Estimate both intrinsic and extrinsic parameters
- Mainly, two categories:
- 1. Photometric calibration: uses reference objects with known geometry
- 2. Self calibration: only assumes static scene, e.g. structure from motion



- 1. linear regression (least squares)
- 2. nonlinear optimization
- 3. multiple planar patterns

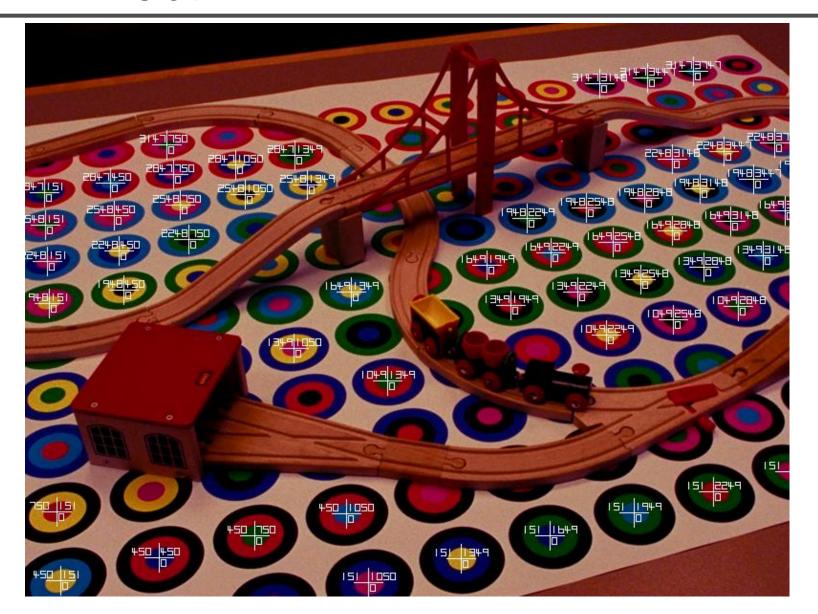






Chromaglyphs (HP research)





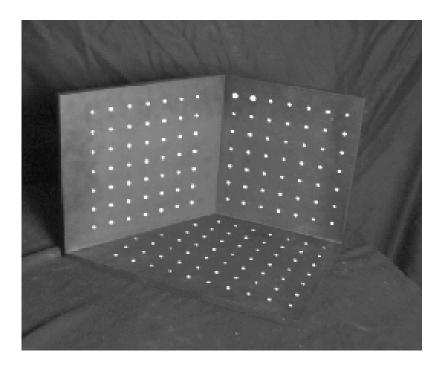


$$\mathbf{x} \sim \mathbf{K} [\mathbf{R} | \mathbf{t}] \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{X}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} m_{00} & m_{01} & m_{02} & m_{03} \\ m_{10} & m_{11} & m_{12} & m_{13} \\ m_{20} & m_{21} & m_{22} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



 Directly estimate 11 unknowns in the M matrix using known 3D points (X_i, Y_i, Z_i) and measured feature positions (u_i, v_i)

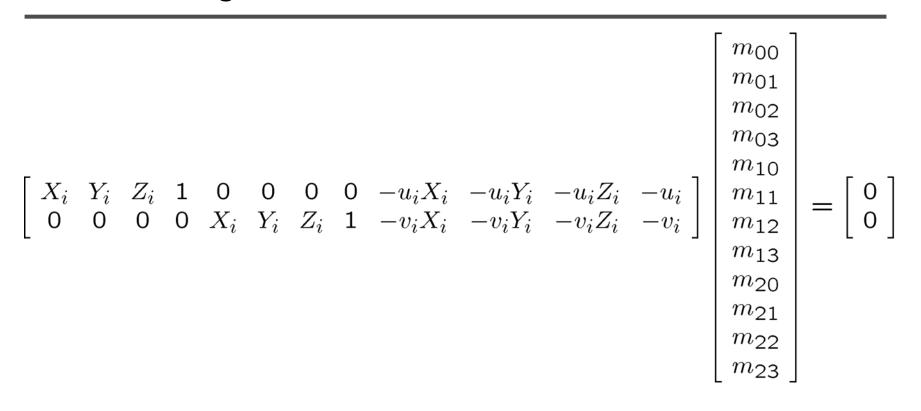




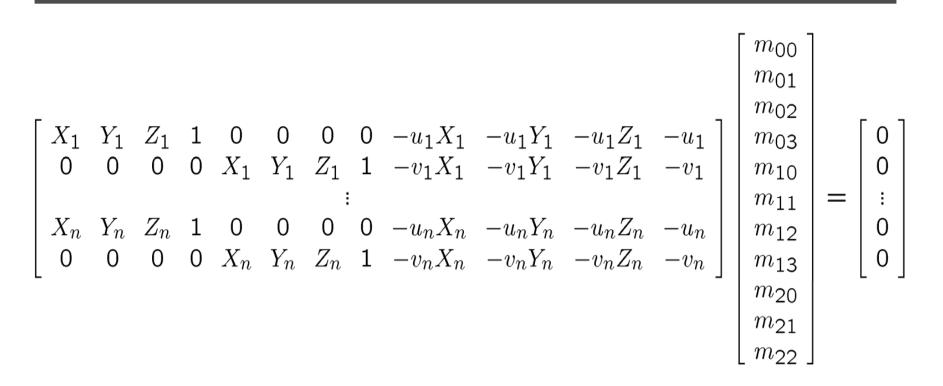
$$u_{i} = \frac{m_{00}X_{i} + m_{01}Y_{i} + m_{02}Z_{i} + m_{03}}{m_{20}X_{i} + m_{21}Y_{i} + m_{22}Z_{i} + 1}$$
$$v_{i} = \frac{m_{10}X_{i} + m_{11}Y_{i} + m_{12}Z_{i} + m_{13}}{m_{20}X_{i} + m_{21}Y_{i} + m_{22}Z_{i} + 1}$$

 $u_i(m_{20}X_i + m_{21}Y_i + m_{22}Z_i + 1) = m_{00}X_i + m_{01}Y_i + m_{02}Z_i + m_{03}$ $v_i(m_{20}X_i + m_{21}Y_i + m_{22}Z_i + 1) = m_{10}X_i + m_{11}Y_i + m_{12}Z_i + m_{13}$









Solve for Projection Matrix M using least-square techniques



Given an overdetermined system

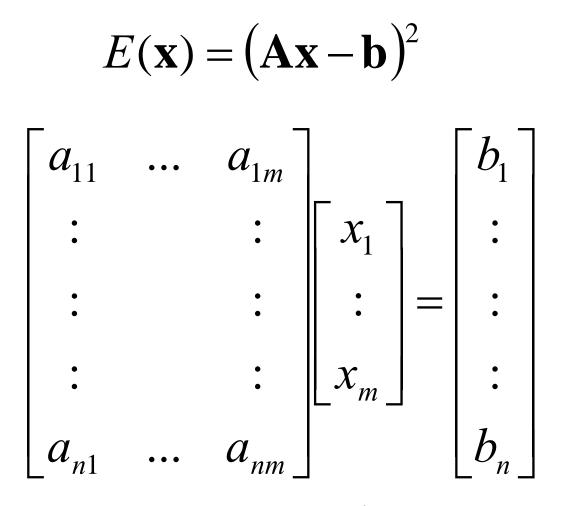
$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$

the normal equation is that which minimizes the sum of the square differences between left and right sides

$\mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{b}$

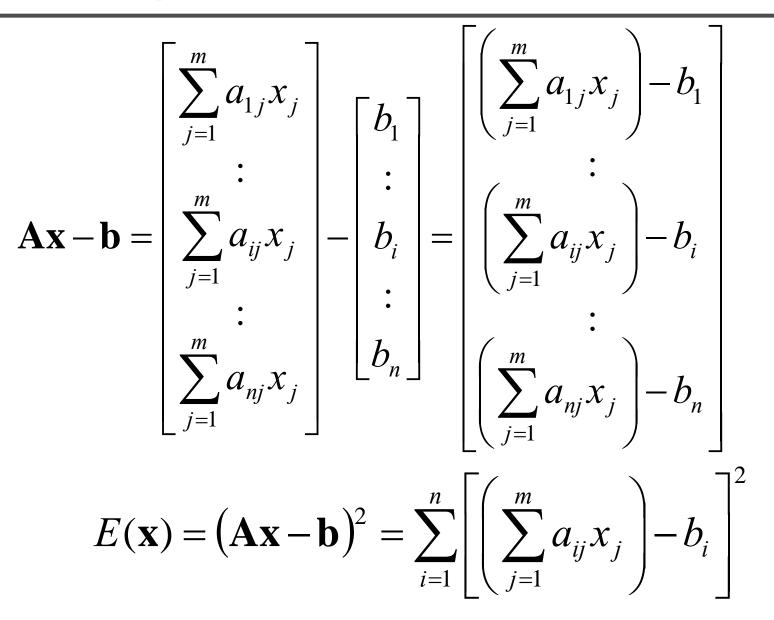
Why?





nXm, *n* equations, *m* variables







$$E(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\left(\sum_{j=1}^m a_{ij} x_j \right) - b_i \right]^2$$
$$0 = \frac{\partial E}{\partial x_1} = \sum_{i=1}^n 2 \left[\left(\sum_{j=1}^m a_{ij} x_j \right) - b_i \right] a_{i1}$$
$$= 2 \sum_{i=1}^n a_{i1} \sum_{j=1}^m a_{ij} x_j - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n a_{i1} b_i$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = 2(\mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{b}) \rightarrow \mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{b}$$



$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b})^{2}$$

= $(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b})^{T} (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b})$
= $((\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x})^{T} - \mathbf{b}^{T})(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b})$
= $(\mathbf{x}^{T}\mathbf{A}^{T} - \mathbf{b}^{T})(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b})$
= $\mathbf{x}^{T}\mathbf{A}^{T}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}^{T}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{T}\mathbf{A}^{T}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{b}^{T}\mathbf{b}$
= $\mathbf{x}^{T}\mathbf{A}^{T}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - (\mathbf{A}^{T}\mathbf{b})^{T}\mathbf{x} - (\mathbf{A}^{T}\mathbf{b})^{T}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^{T}\mathbf{b}$
 $\frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = 2\mathbf{A}^{T}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{A}^{T}\mathbf{b}$





- Advantages:
 - All specifics of the camera summarized in one matrix
 - Can predict where any world point will map to in the image
- Disadvantages:
 - Doesn't tell us about particular parameters
 - Mixes up internal and external parameters
 - pose specific: move the camera and everything breaks

Nonlinear optimization



- A probabilistic view of least square
- Feature measurement equations

$$u_i = f(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{x}_i) + n_i = \hat{u}_i + n_i, \quad n_i \sim N(0, \sigma)$$

$$v_i = g(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{x}_i) + m_i = \hat{v}_i + m_i, \quad m_i \sim N(0, \sigma)$$

Likelihood of *M* given {(*u_i*, *v_i*)}

$$L = \prod_{i} p(u_i | \hat{u}_i) p(v_i | \hat{v}_i)$$

=
$$\prod_{i} e^{-(u_i - \hat{u}_i)^2 / \sigma^2} e^{-(v_i - \hat{v}_i)^2 / \sigma^2}$$



Optimal estimation

• Log likelihood of M given { (u_i, v_j) }

$$C = -\log L = \sum_{i} (u_{i} - \hat{u}_{i})^{2} / \sigma_{i}^{2} + (v_{i} - \hat{v}_{i})^{2} / \sigma_{i}^{2}$$

- It is a least square problem (but not necessarily linear least square)
- How do we minimize *C*?

Optimal estimation



 Non-linear regression (least squares), because the relations between û_i and u_i are non-linear functions M

unknown parameters

We could have terms like $f \cos \theta$ in this

$$\mathbf{u} - \hat{\mathbf{u}} \sim \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} | \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}$$

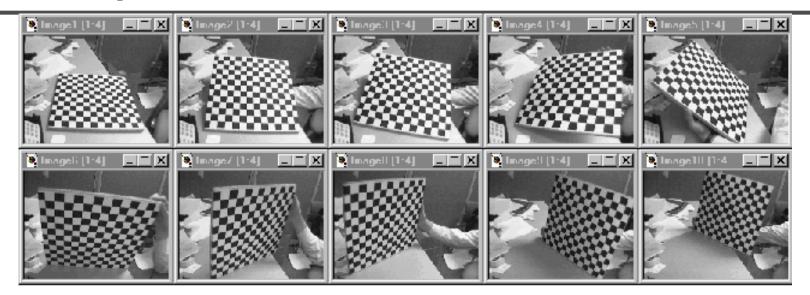
known constant

• We can use Levenberg-Marquardt method to minimize it

A popular calibration tool



Multi-plane calibration



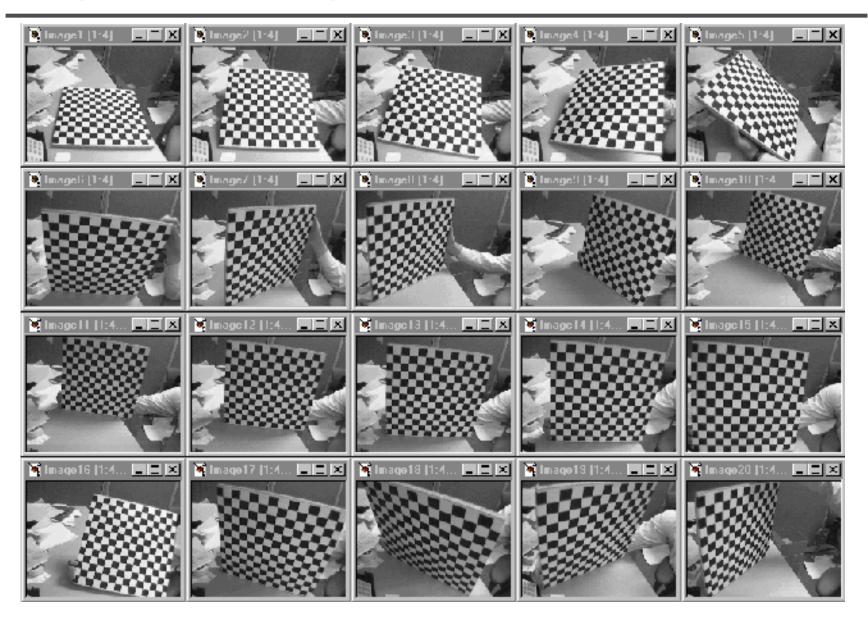
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Advantage

- Only requires a plane
- Don't have to know positions/orientations
- Good code available online!
 - Intel's OpenCV library: <u>http://www.intel.com/research/mrl/research/opencv/</u>
 - Matlab version by Jean-Yves Bouget: <u>http://www.vision.caltech.edu/bouguetj/calib_doc/index.html</u>
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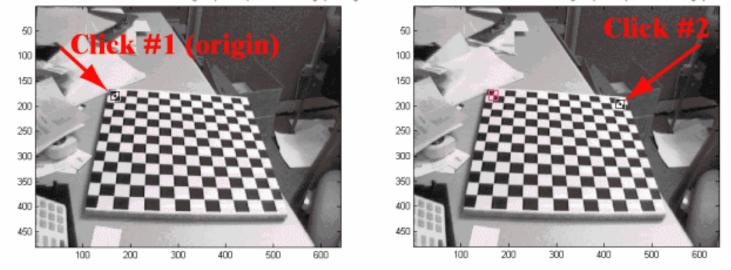
Step 1: data acquisition



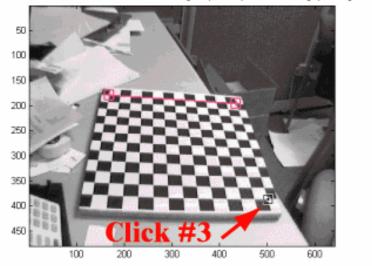
Step 2: specify corner order

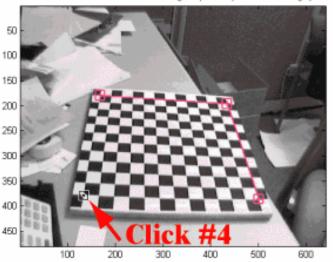


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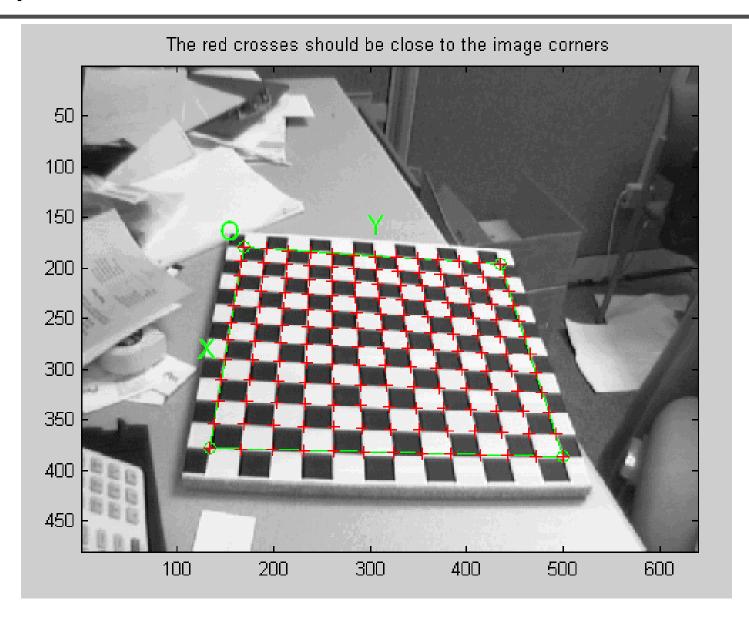
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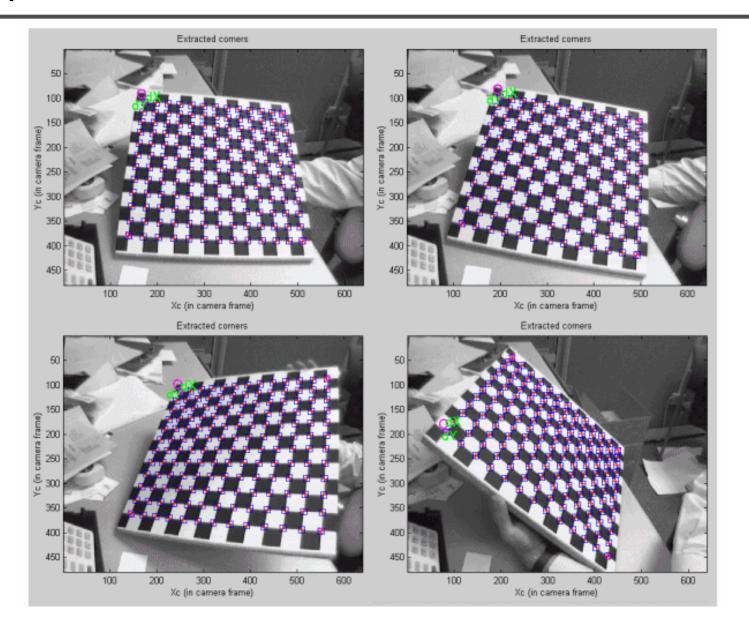
Step 3: corner extraction





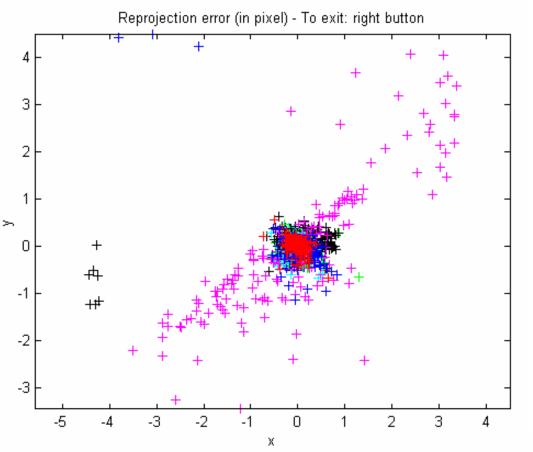


Step 3: corner extraction



Step 4: minimize projection error

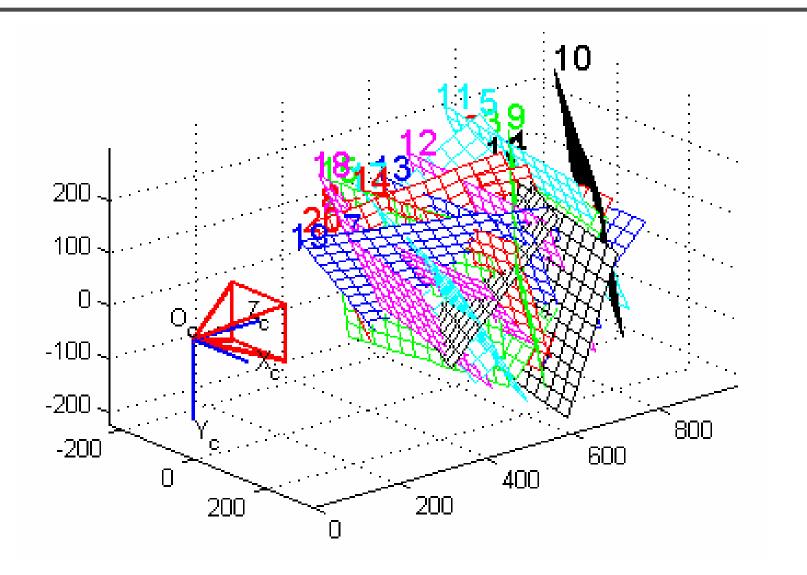




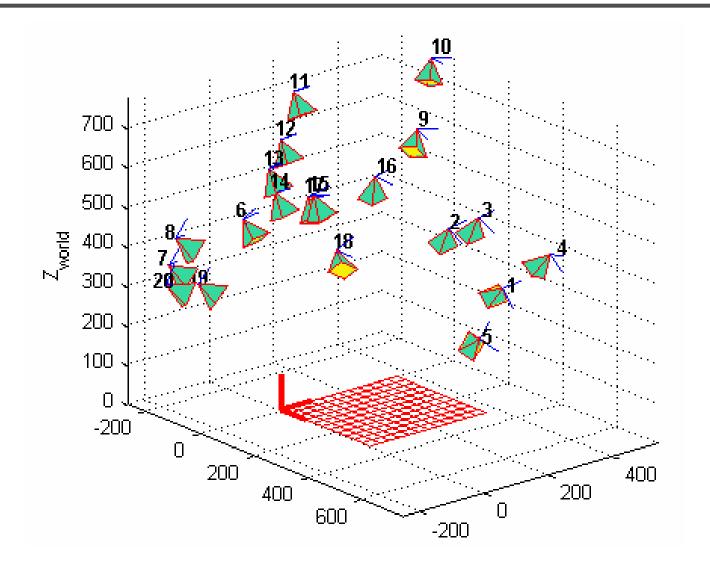
Calibration res

Focal Length: fc = [657.46290 657.94673] ± [0.31819 0.34046] Principal point: cc = [303.13665 242.56935] ± [0.64682 0.59218] alpha c = [0.00000] ± [0.00000] => angle of pixel axes = Skew: -0.00021 Distortion: 0.12143 0.00002 0.00000] kc = [-0.25403err = [0.11689 Pixel error: 0.11500]



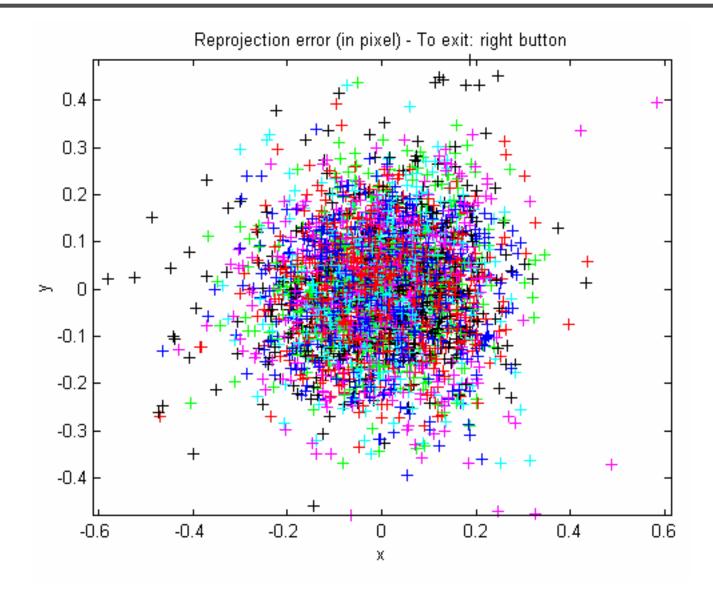








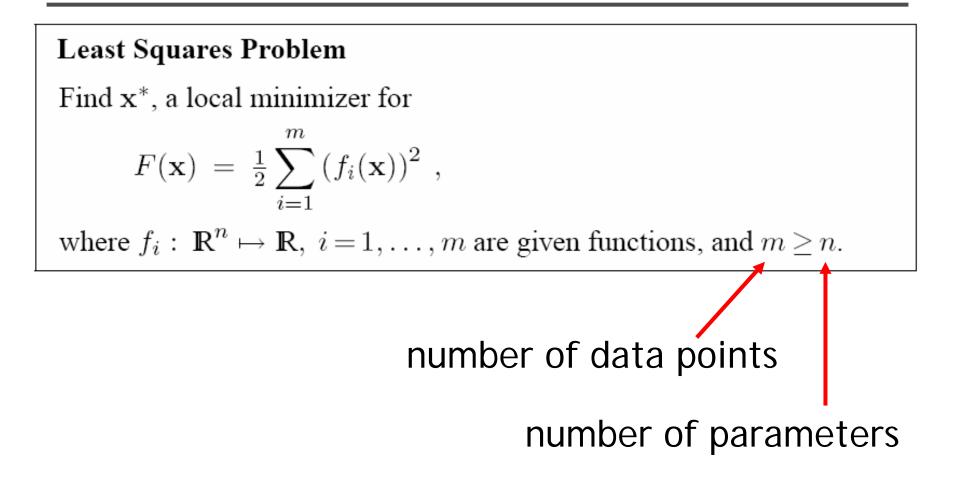
Step 5: refinement



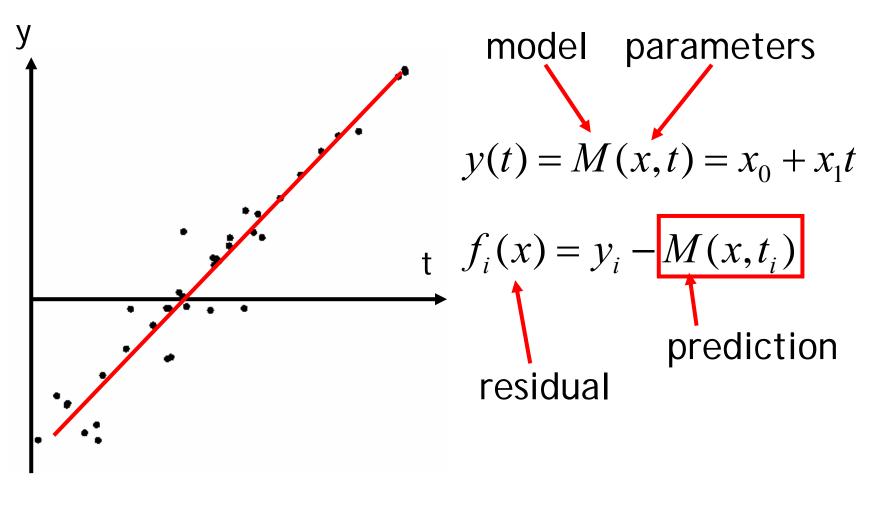
Nonlinear least square methods



Least square fitting

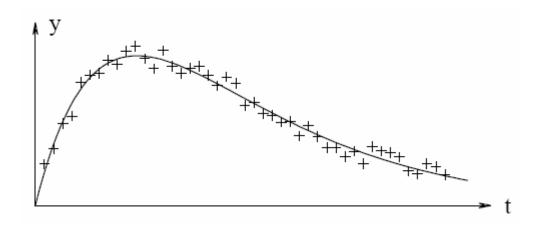






 $M(x,t) = x_0 + x_1t + x_2t^3$ is linear, too.





model
$$M(\mathbf{x}, t) = x_3 e^{x_1 t} + x_4 e^{x_2 t}$$

parameters $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]^\top$
residuals $f_i(\mathbf{x}) = y_i - M(\mathbf{x}, t_i)$
 $= y_i - x_3 e^{x_1 t_i} - x_4 e^{x_2 t_i}$



Least square is related to function minimization.

Global Minimizer Given $F : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}$. Find $\mathbf{x}^+ = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{x}} \{F(\mathbf{x})\}$.

It is very hard to solve in general. Here, we only consider a simpler problem of finding local minimum.

> Local Minimizer Given $F : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}$. Find \mathbf{x}^* so that $F(\mathbf{x}^*) \leq F(\mathbf{x})$ for $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^*\| < \delta$.

Function minimization



We assume that the cost function F is differentiable and so smooth that the following *Taylor expansion* is valid,²⁾

$$F(\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{h}) = F(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{g} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{h} + O(\|\mathbf{h}\|^3),$$

where g is the gradient,

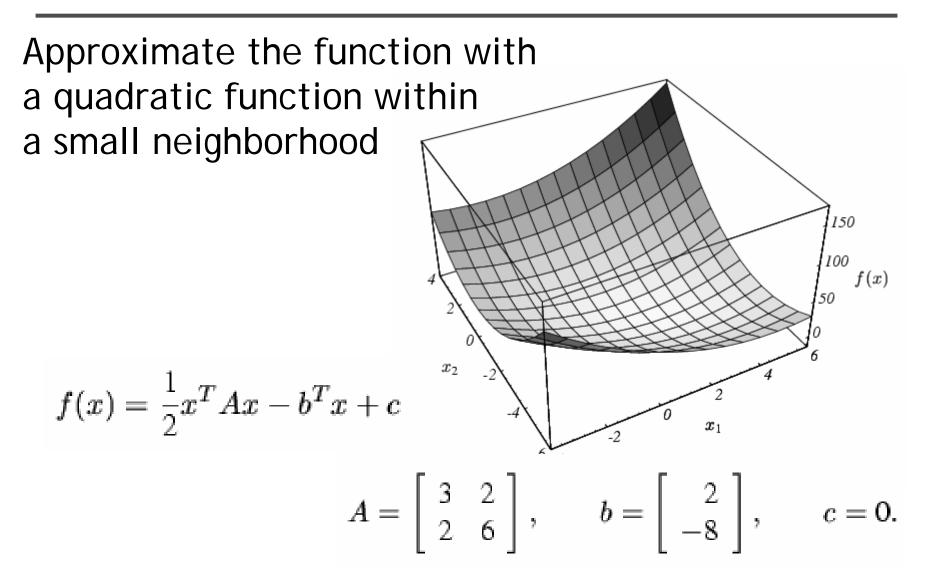
$$\mathbf{g} \equiv \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix},$$

and H is the Hessian,

$$\mathbf{H} \equiv \mathbf{F}''(\mathbf{x}) = \left[\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(\mathbf{x})\right] \,.$$

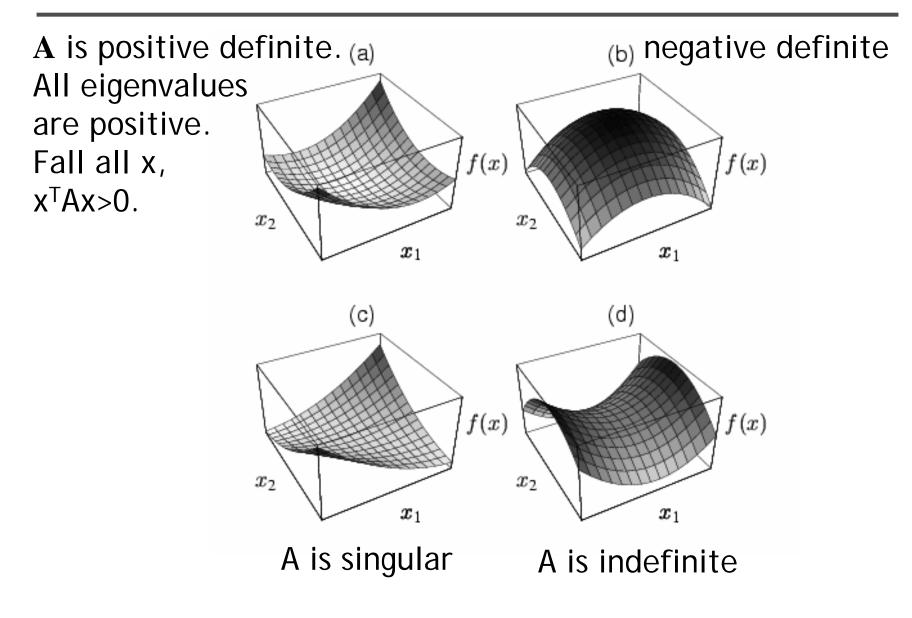


Quadratic functions





Quadratic functions





Theorem 1.5. Necessary condition for a local minimizer. If x^* is a local minimizer, then

$${f g}^* \ \equiv \ {f F}'({f x}^*) \ = \ {f 0} \; .$$

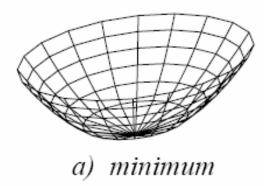
Definition 1.6. Stationary point. If

$$\mathbf{g}_s \equiv \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}_s) = \mathbf{0} \,,$$

then \mathbf{x}_s is said to be a *stationary point* for F.

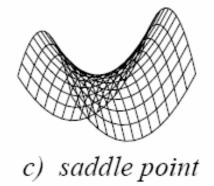
$$F(\mathbf{x}_{s}+\mathbf{h}) = F(\mathbf{x}_{s}) + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{H}_{s}\mathbf{h} + O(\|\mathbf{h}\|^{3})$$

 H_s is positive definite





b) maximum







$$\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \ldots, \mathbf{x}_k \to \mathbf{x}^*$$
 for $k \to \infty$

- 1. Find a descent direction h_d
- 2. find a step length giving a good decrease in the F-value.

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Algorithm Descent method
begin
                                                                                {Starting point}
   k := 0; \mathbf{x} := \mathbf{x}_0; found := false
   while (not found) and (k < k_{\max})
       \mathbf{h}_{d} := \text{search}_{direction}(\mathbf{x})
                                                                     {From x and downhill}
      if (no such h exists)
                                                                               \{\mathbf{x} \text{ is stationary}\}\
         found := true
       else
          \alpha := \text{step\_length}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}_{d})
                                                                   {from x in direction \mathbf{h}_d}
          \mathbf{x} := \mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{h}_{\mathsf{d}}; \quad k := k+1
                                                                                   {next iterate}
end
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$$\begin{split} F(\mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{h}) &= F(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha \mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) + O(\alpha^2) \\ &\simeq F(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha \mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{for } \alpha \text{ sufficiently small.} \end{split}$$

Definition Descent direction.

h is a descent direction for F at **x** if $\mathbf{h}^{\top} \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) < 0$.



$$F(\mathbf{x}+\alpha\mathbf{h}) = F(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha\mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) + O(\alpha^2)$$

$$\simeq F(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha\mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{for } \alpha \text{ sufficiently small.}$$

$$\frac{F(\mathbf{x}) - F(\mathbf{x}+\alpha\mathbf{h})}{\alpha\|\mathbf{h}\|} = -\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{h}\|} \mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) = -\|\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x})\|\cos\theta$$

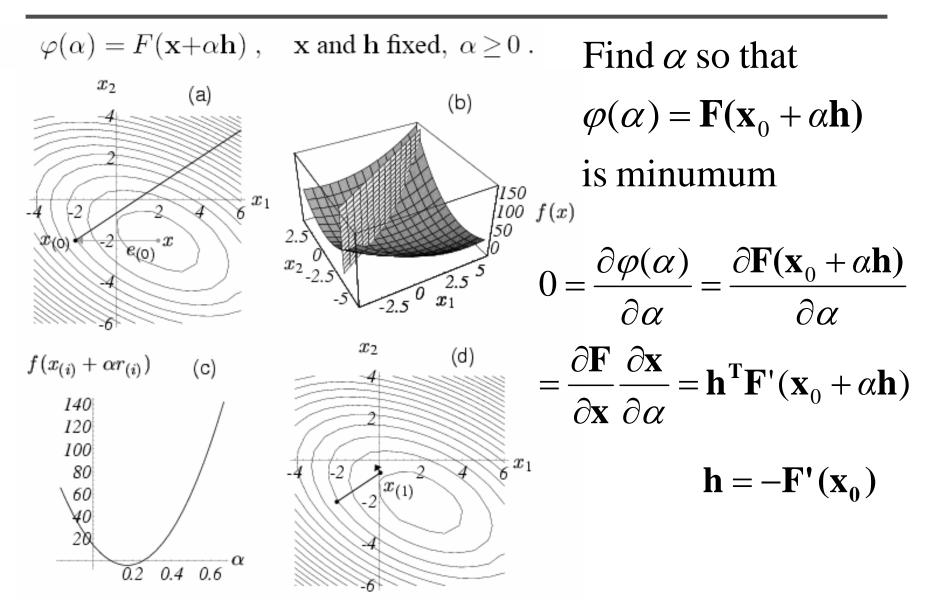
the decrease of F(x) per unit along h direction

greatest gain rate if
$$\theta = \pi \implies \mathbf{h}_{sd} = -\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x})$$

 h_{sd} is a descent direction because $h_{sd}^{T} F'(x) = -F'(x)^{2} < 0$

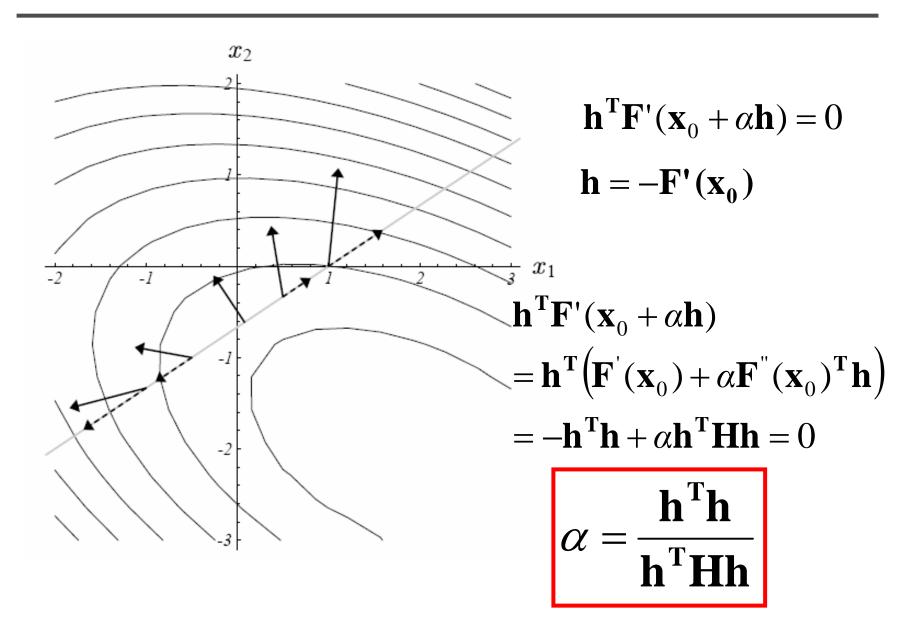
Line search





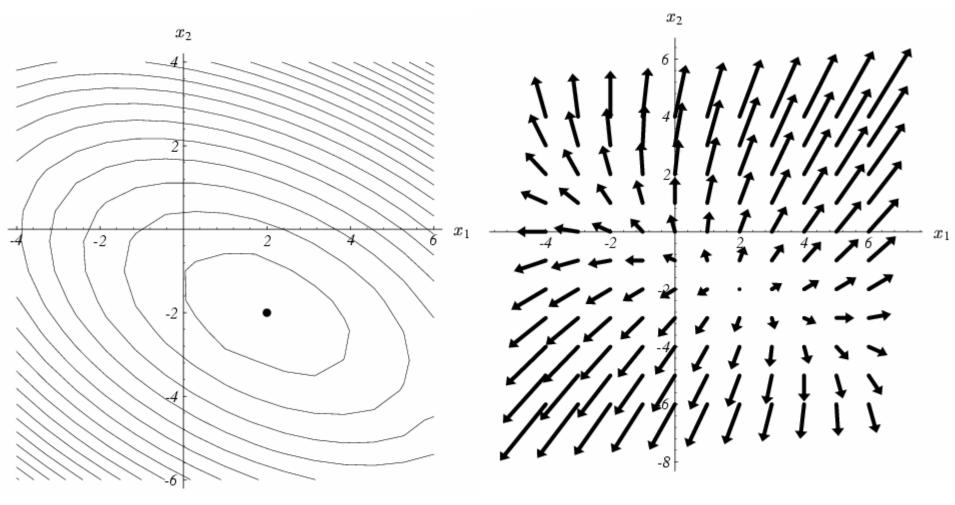


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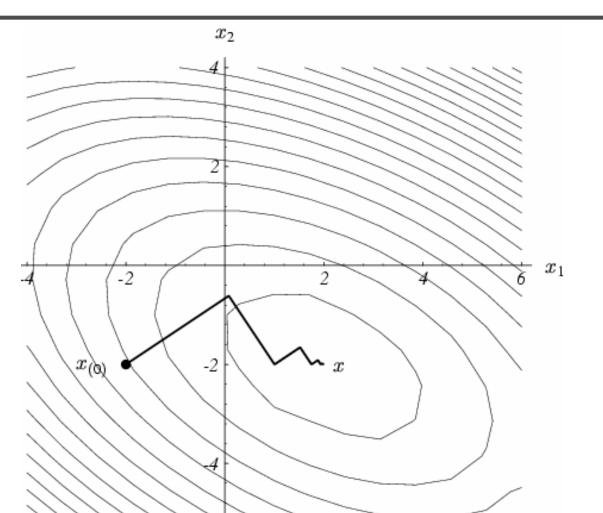


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gradient

Steepest descent method





It has good performance in the initial stage of the iterative process. Converge very slow with a linear rate.



 \mathbf{x}^* is a stationary point \rightarrow it satisfies $\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}$.

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}) &= \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{F}''(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{h} + O(\|\mathbf{h}\|^2) \\ &\simeq \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{F}''(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{h} \quad \text{for } \|\mathbf{h}\| \text{ sufficiently small} \\ & \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{H} \, \mathbf{h}_n = -\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) & \text{with } \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{F}''(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{x} &:= \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}_n \\ \end{split}$$

Suppose that **H** is positive definite

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{u}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{u} > 0$$
 for all nonzero \mathbf{u}

 $\rightarrow 0 < \mathbf{h}_n^\top \mathbf{H} \, \mathbf{h}_n = -\mathbf{h}_n^\top \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) \, \mathbf{h}_n$ is a descent direction

It has good performance in the final stage of the iterative process, where x is close to x^{*}.



if
$$\mathbf{F}''(\mathbf{x})$$
 is positive definite
 $\mathbf{h} := \mathbf{h}_n$
else
 $\mathbf{h} := \mathbf{h}_{sd}$
 $\mathbf{x} := \mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{h}$

This needs to calculate second-order derivative which might not be available.