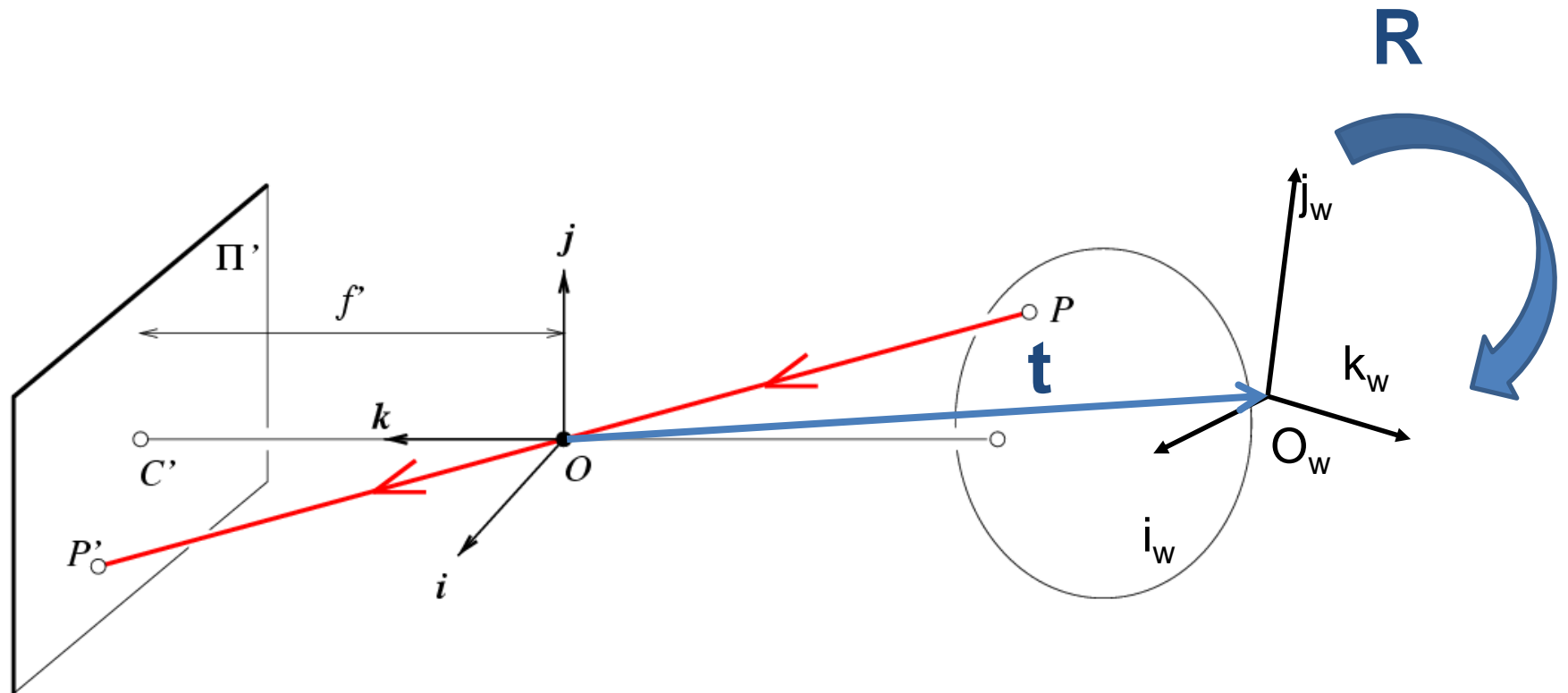


# Outline

- Recap camera calibration
- Epipolar Geometry

# Oriented and Translated Camera



# Degrees of freedom

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



$$w \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{matrix} 5 \\ \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & s & u_0 \\ 0 & \beta & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} 6 \\ \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \\ t_z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# How to calibrate the camera?

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} su \\ sv \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# How do we calibrate a camera?

880 214  
43 203  
270 197  
886 347  
745 302  
943 128  
476 590  
419 214  
317 335  
783 521  
235 427  
665 429  
655 362  
427 333  
412 415  
746 351  
434 415  
525 234  
716 308  
602 187

$$\begin{bmatrix} su \\ sv \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

312.747 309.140 30.086  
305.796 311.649 30.356  
307.694 312.358 30.418  
310.149 307.186 29.298  
311.937 310.105 29.216  
311.202 307.572 30.682  
307.106 306.876 28.660  
309.317 312.490 30.230  
307.435 310.151 29.318  
308.253 306.300 28.881  
306.650 309.301 28.905  
308.069 306.831 29.189  
309.671 308.834 29.029  
308.255 309.955 29.267  
307.546 308.613 28.963  
311.036 309.206 28.913  
307.518 308.175 29.069  
309.950 311.262 29.990  
312.160 310.772 29.080  
311.988 312.709 30.514

# Method 1 – homogeneous linear system

$$\begin{bmatrix} su \\ sv \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & m_{13} & m_{14} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & m_{23} & m_{24} \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & m_{33} & m_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Solve for m's entries using linear least squares

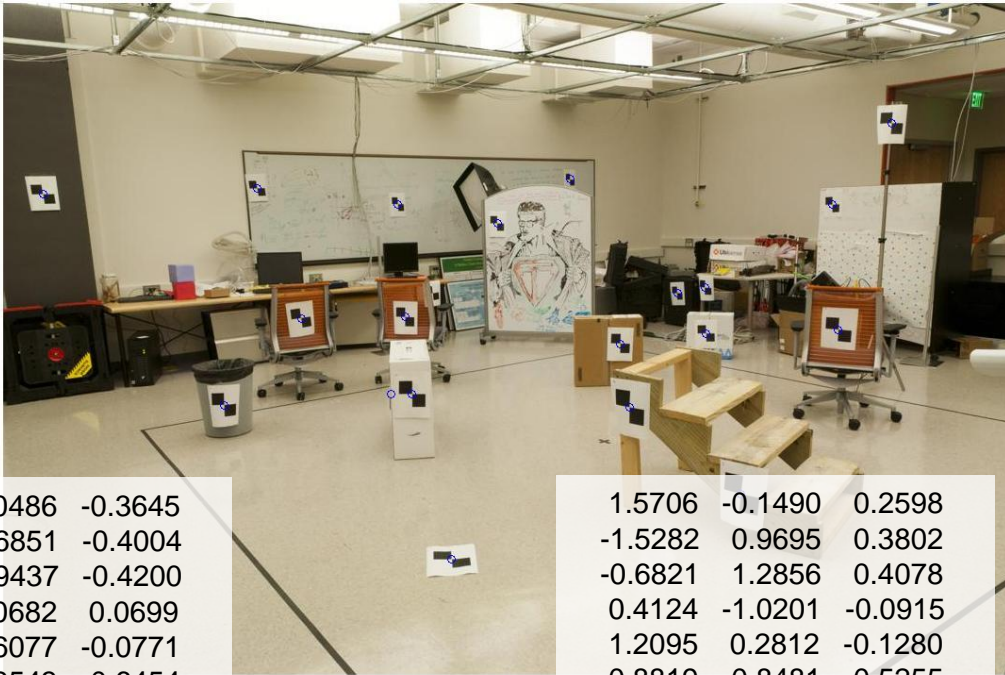
**Ax=0 form**

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 & Y_1 & Z_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -u_1 X_1 & -u_1 Y_1 & -u_1 Z_1 & -u_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & X_1 & Y_1 & Z_1 & 1 & -v_1 X_1 & -v_1 Y_1 & -v_1 Z_1 & -v_1 \\ & & & & & & \vdots & & & & & \\ X_n & Y_n & Z_n & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -u_n X_n & -u_n Y_n & -u_n Z_n & -u_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & X_n & Y_n & Z_n & 1 & -v_n X_n & -v_n Y_n & -v_n Z_n & -v_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} \\ m_{12} \\ m_{13} \\ m_{14} \\ m_{21} \\ m_{22} \\ m_{23} \\ m_{24} \\ m_{31} \\ m_{32} \\ m_{33} \\ m_{34} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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[U, S, V] = svd(A);
M = V(:, end);
M = reshape(M, [], 3)';
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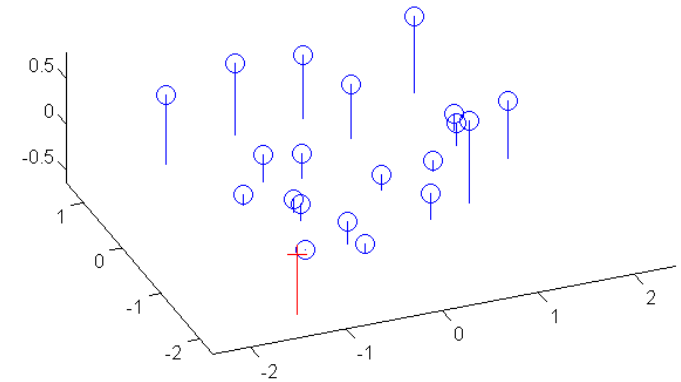
For project 3, we want the camera center

# Estimate of camera center



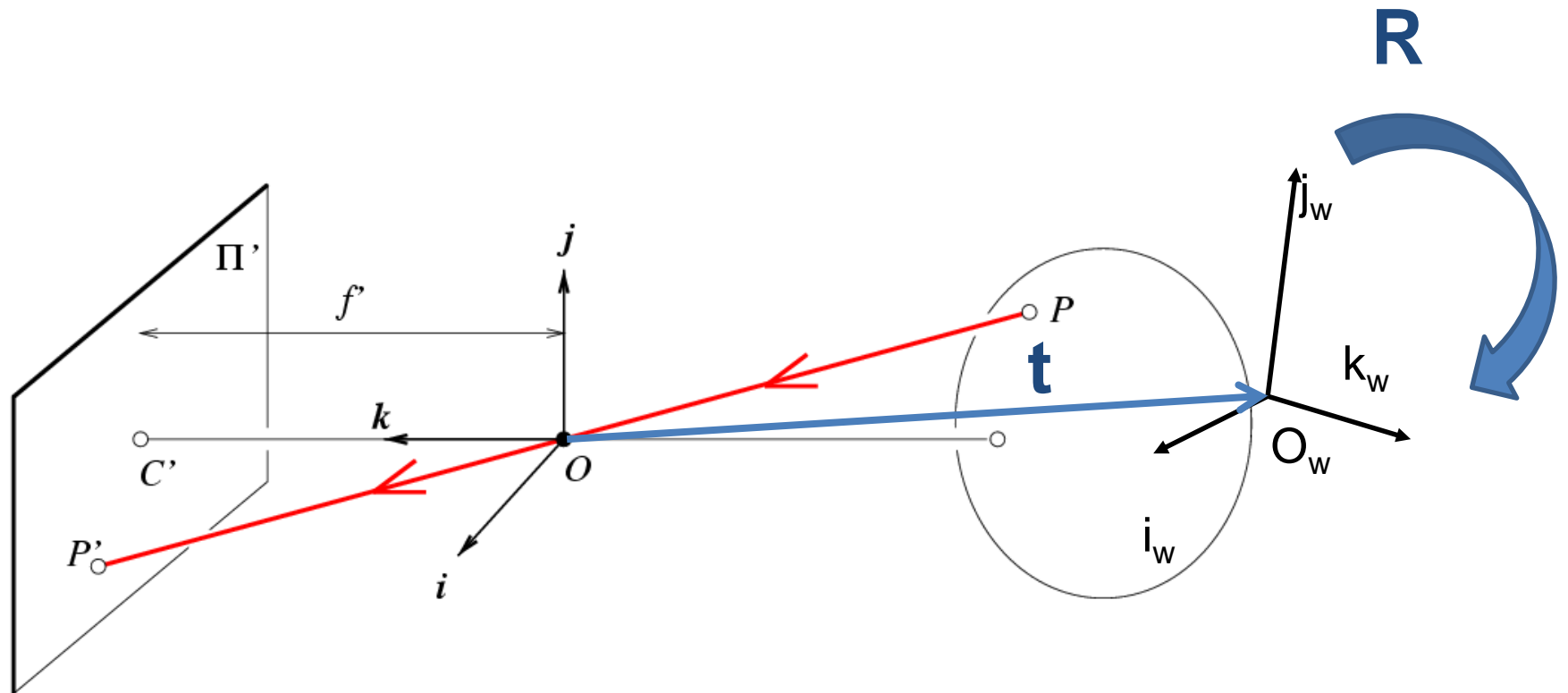
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-0.2709	0.8635
-0.4571	-0.3645
-0.7902	0.0307
0.7318	0.6382
-1.0580	0.3312
0.3464	0.3377
0.3137	0.1189
-0.4310	0.0242
-0.4799	0.2920
0.6109	0.0830
-0.4081	0.2920
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0.5129	-0.0575
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0.8819	-0.8481	0.5255
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-0.7481	-0.3840	-0.2408
0.8078	-0.1196	-0.2631
-0.7605	-0.5792	-0.1936
0.3237	0.7970	0.2170
1.3089	0.5786	-0.1887
1.2323	1.4421	0.4506





# Oriented and Translated Camera



# Recovering the camera center

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

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This is not the camera center  $C$ . It is  $-\mathbf{R}C$  (because a point will be rotated before  $t_x$ ,  $t_y$ , and  $t_z$  are added)

So we need  $-\mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{K}^{-1} m_4$  to get  $C$

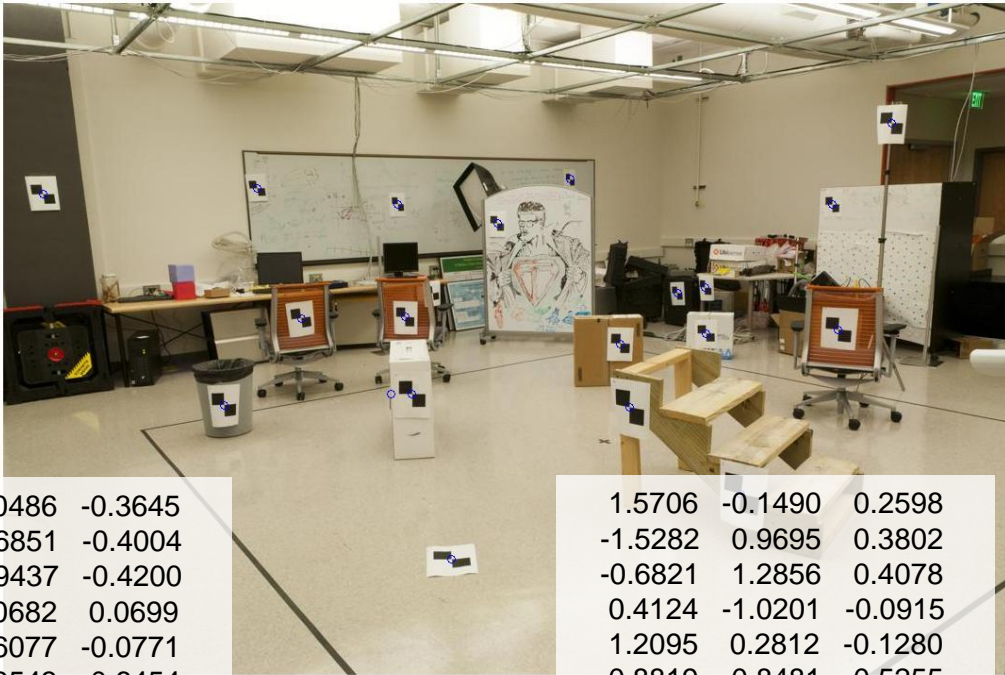
$$\begin{bmatrix} su \\ sv \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{Q}} \begin{bmatrix} * \\ * \\ * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is  $\mathbf{t} * \mathbf{K}$

So  $\mathbf{K}^{-1} m_4$  is  $\mathbf{t}$

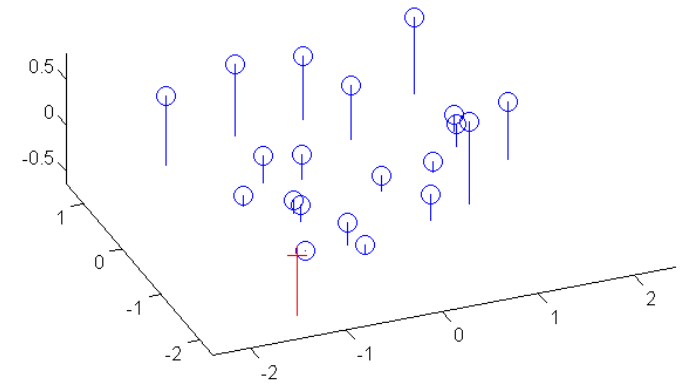
$\mathbf{Q}$  is  $\mathbf{K} * \mathbf{R}$ . So we just need  $-\mathbf{Q}^{-1} m_4$

# Estimate of camera center



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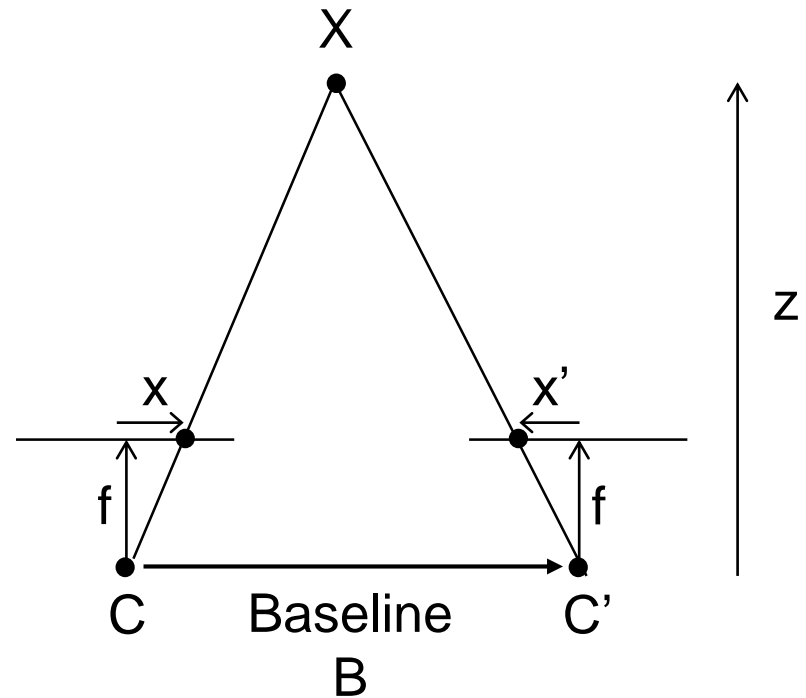
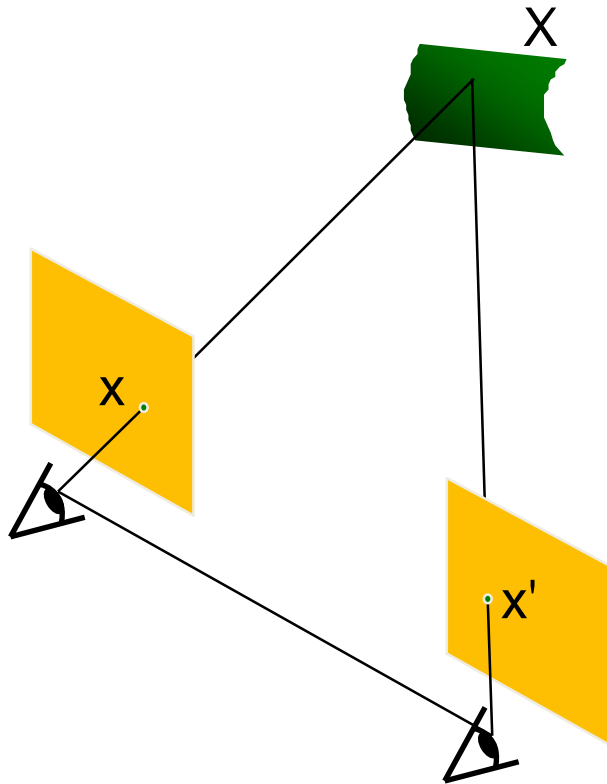


# Epipolar Geometry and Stereo Vision

- Epipolar geometry
  - Relates cameras from two positions

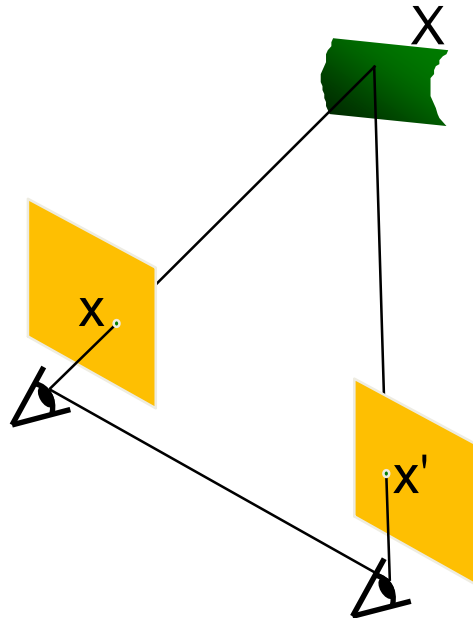
# Depth from Stereo

- Goal: recover depth by finding image coordinate  $x'$  that corresponds to  $x$

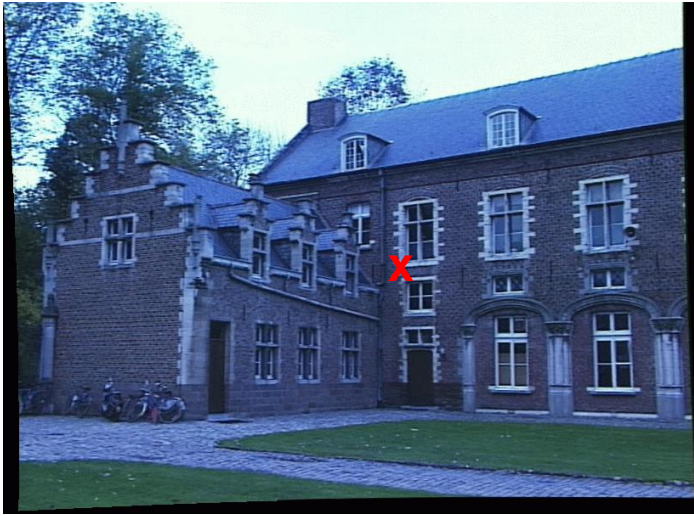


# Depth from Stereo

- Goal: recover depth by finding image coordinate  $x'$  that corresponds to  $x$
- Sub-Problems
  1. Calibration: How do we recover the relation of the cameras (if not already known)?
  2. Correspondence: How do we search for the matching point  $x'$ ?



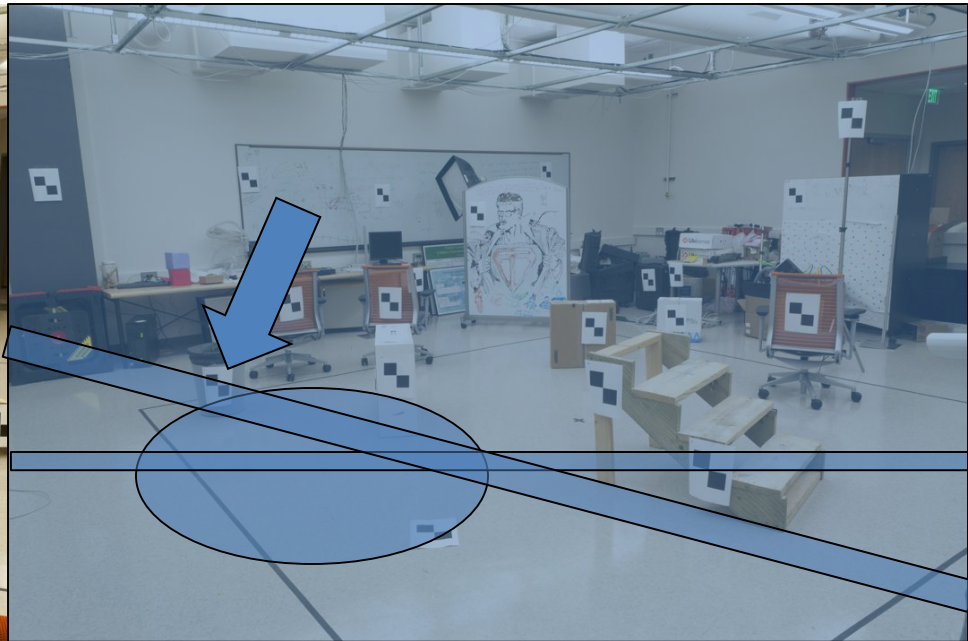
# Correspondence Problem



- We have two images taken from cameras with different intrinsic and extrinsic parameters
- How do we match a point in the first image to a point in the second? How can we constrain our search?

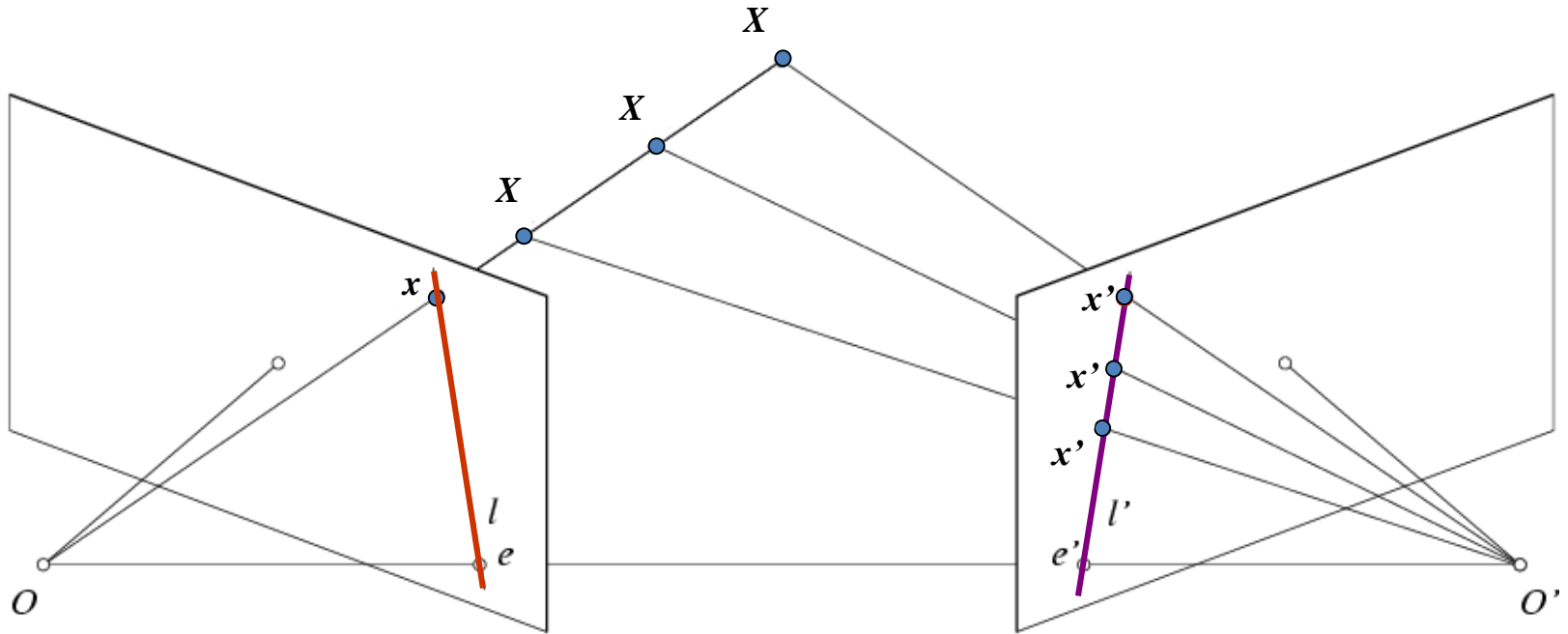


# Where do we need to search?



Key idea: Epipolar constraint

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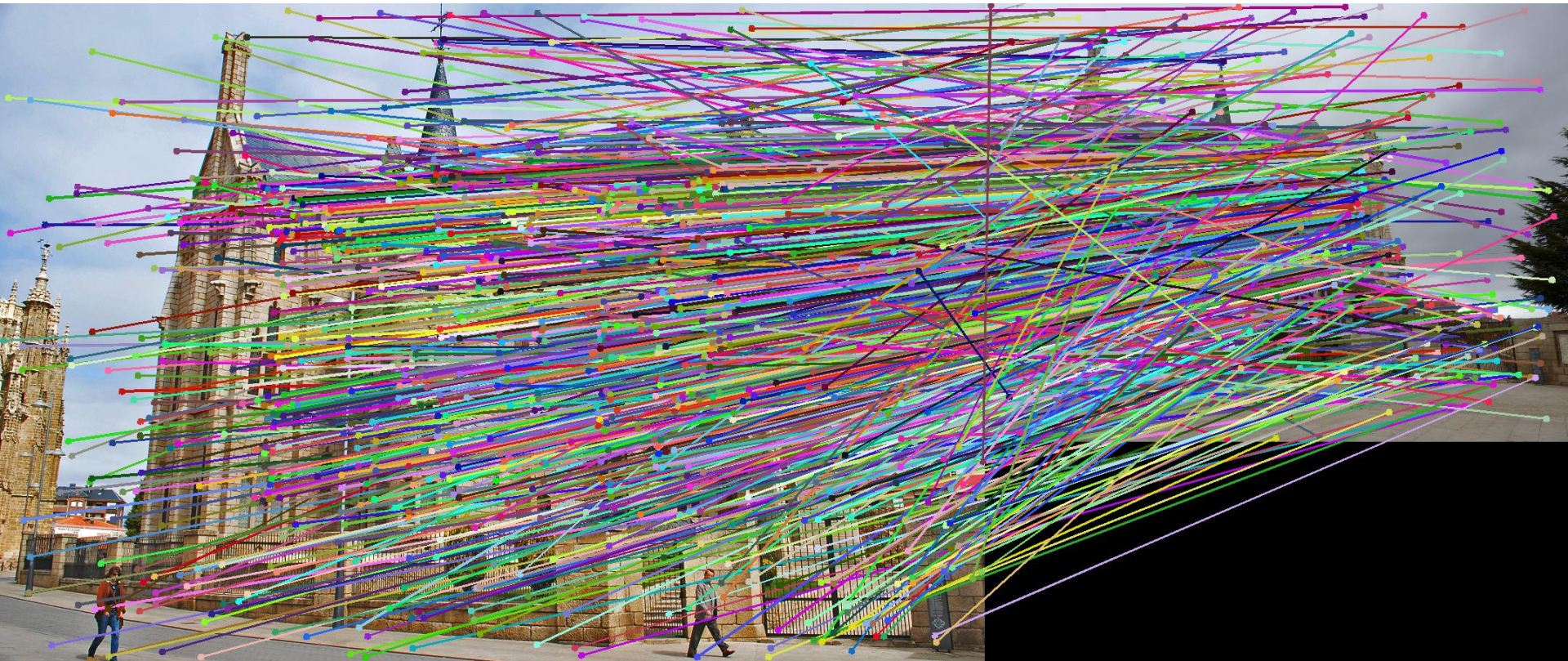


Potential matches for  $x$  have to lie on the corresponding line  $l'$ .

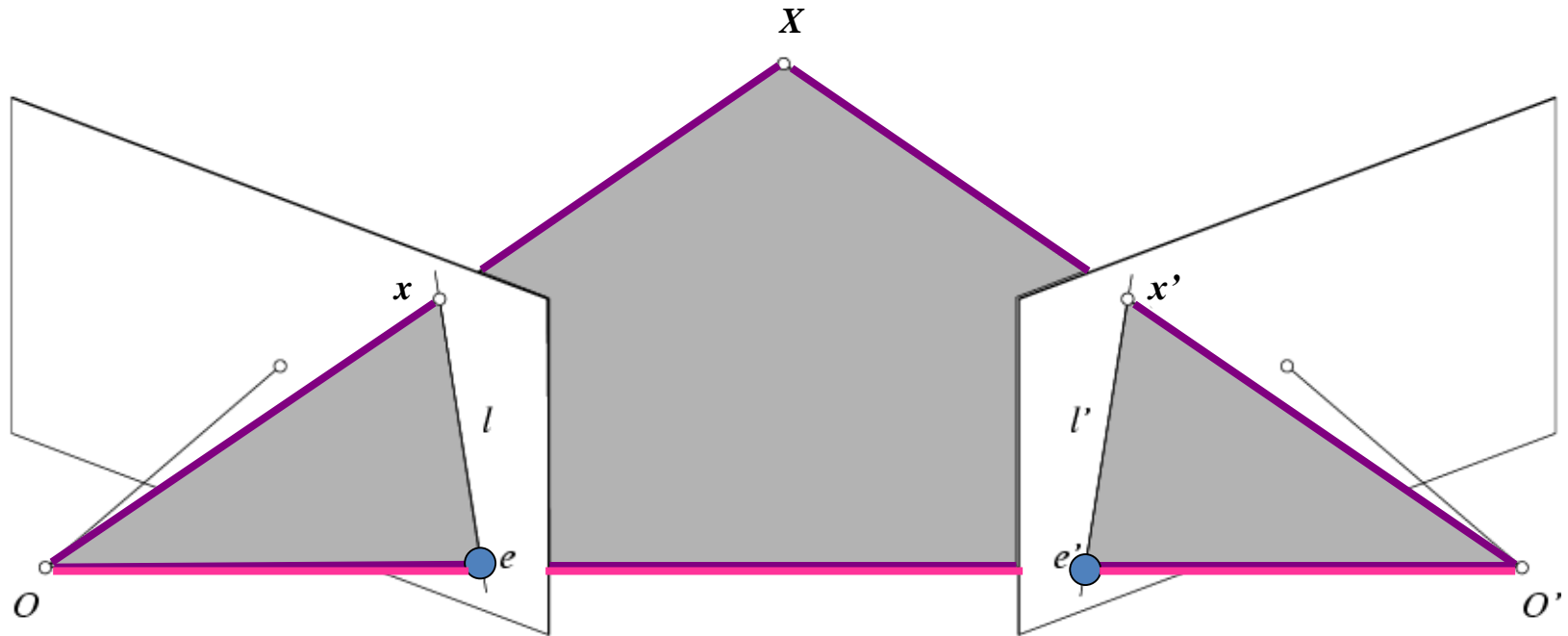
Potential matches for  $x'$  have to lie on the corresponding line  $l$ .

Wouldn't it be nice to know where matches can live? To constrain our 2d search to 1d.

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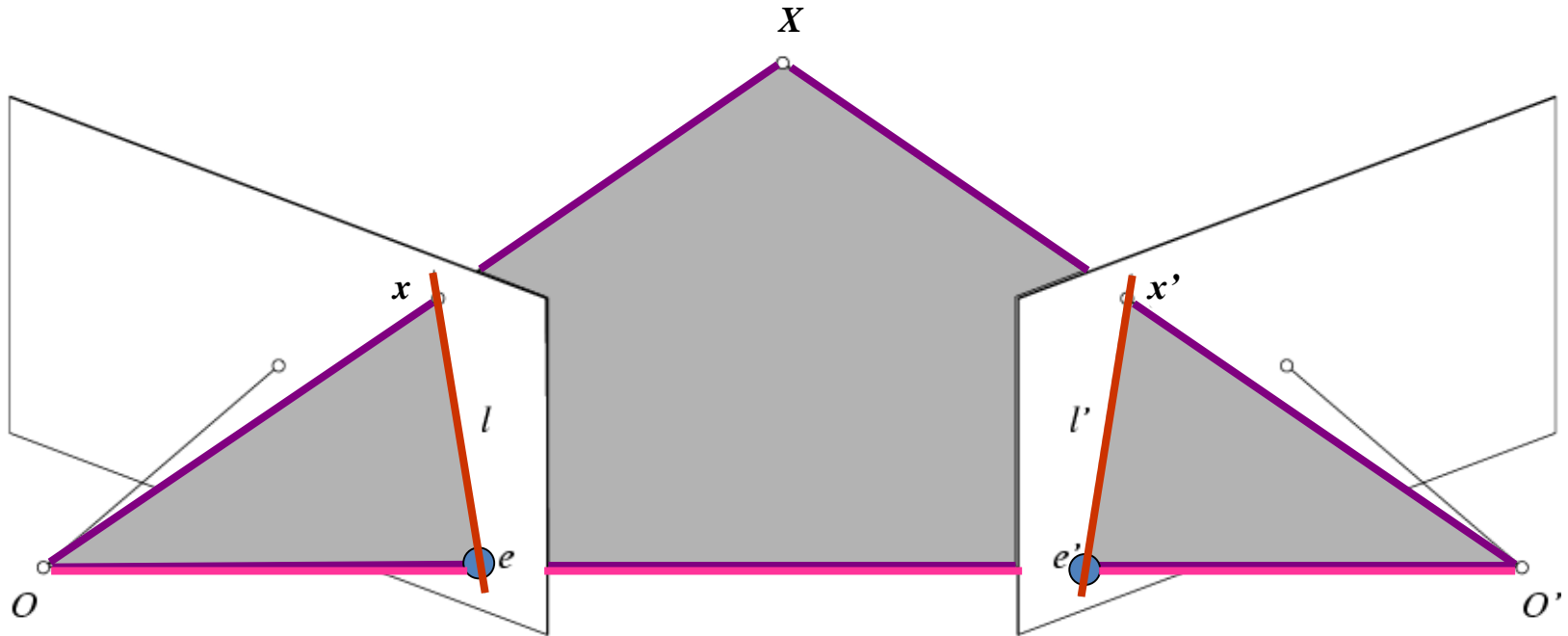


# Epipolar geometry: notation



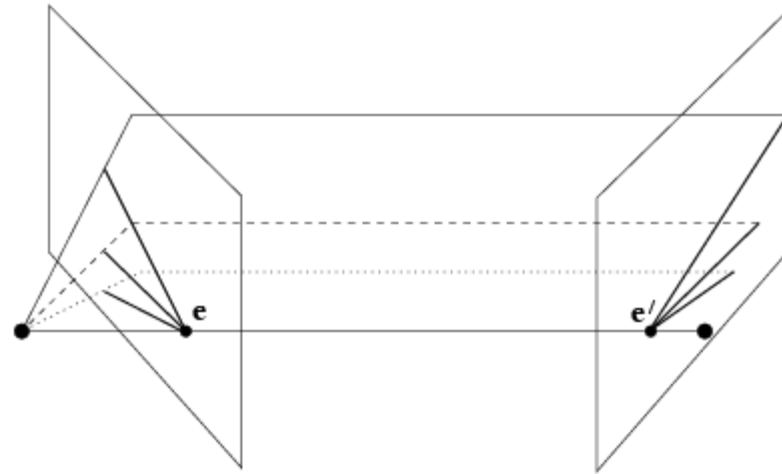
- **Baseline** – line connecting the two camera centers
- **Epipoles**  
= intersections of baseline with image planes  
= projections of the other camera center
- **Epipolar Plane** – plane containing baseline (1D family)

# Epipolar geometry: notation



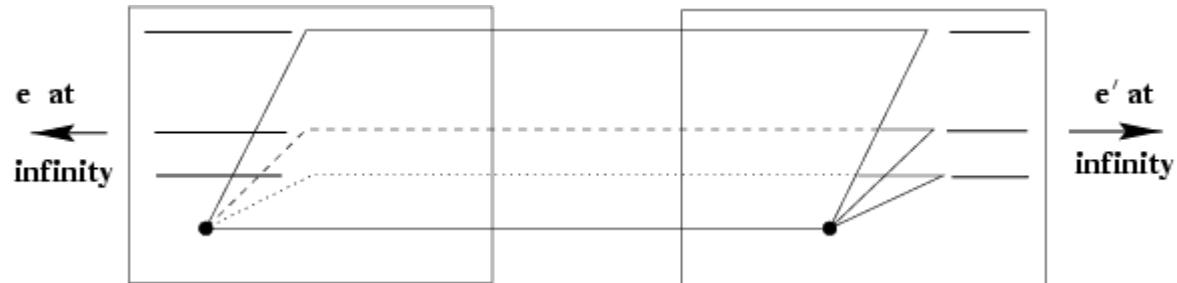
- **Baseline** – line connecting the two camera centers
- **Epipoles**  
= intersections of baseline with image planes  
= projections of the other camera center
- **Epipolar Plane** – plane containing baseline (1D family)
- **Epipolar Lines** - intersections of epipolar plane with image planes (always come in corresponding pairs)

# Example: Converging cameras





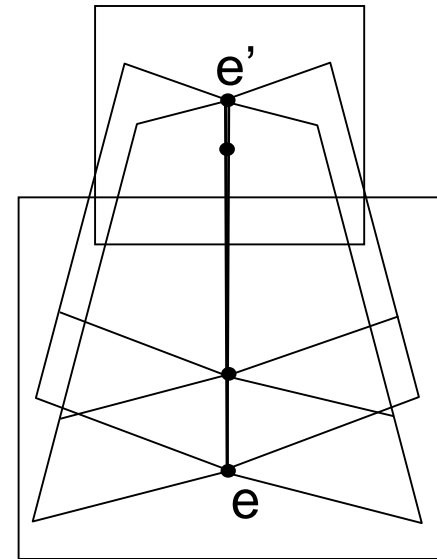
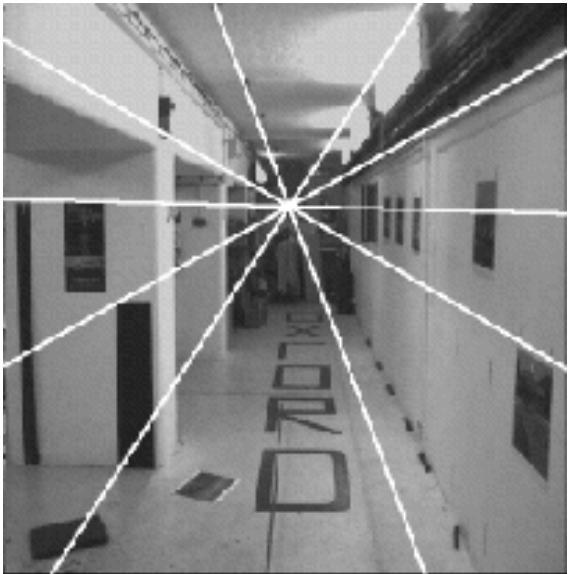
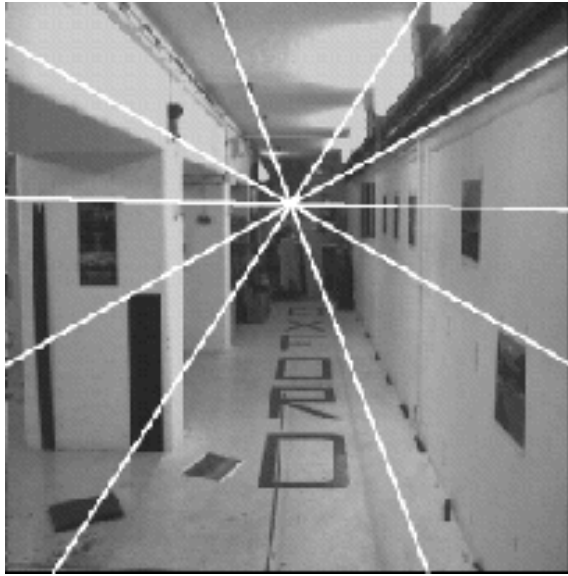
# Example: Motion parallel to image plane



# Example: Forward motion

What would the epipolar lines look like if the camera moves directly forward?

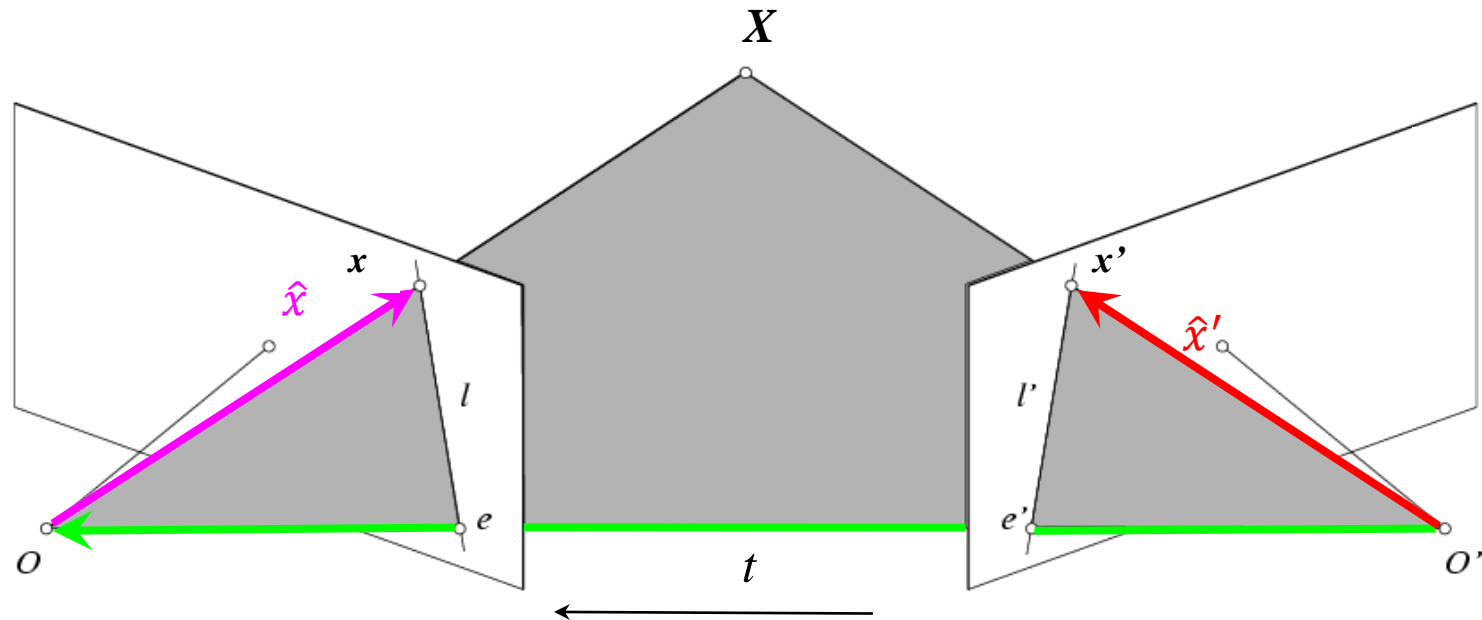
# Example: Forward motion



Epipole has same coordinates in both images.

Points move along lines radiating from  $e$ :  
“Focus of expansion”

# Epipolar constraint: Calibrated case



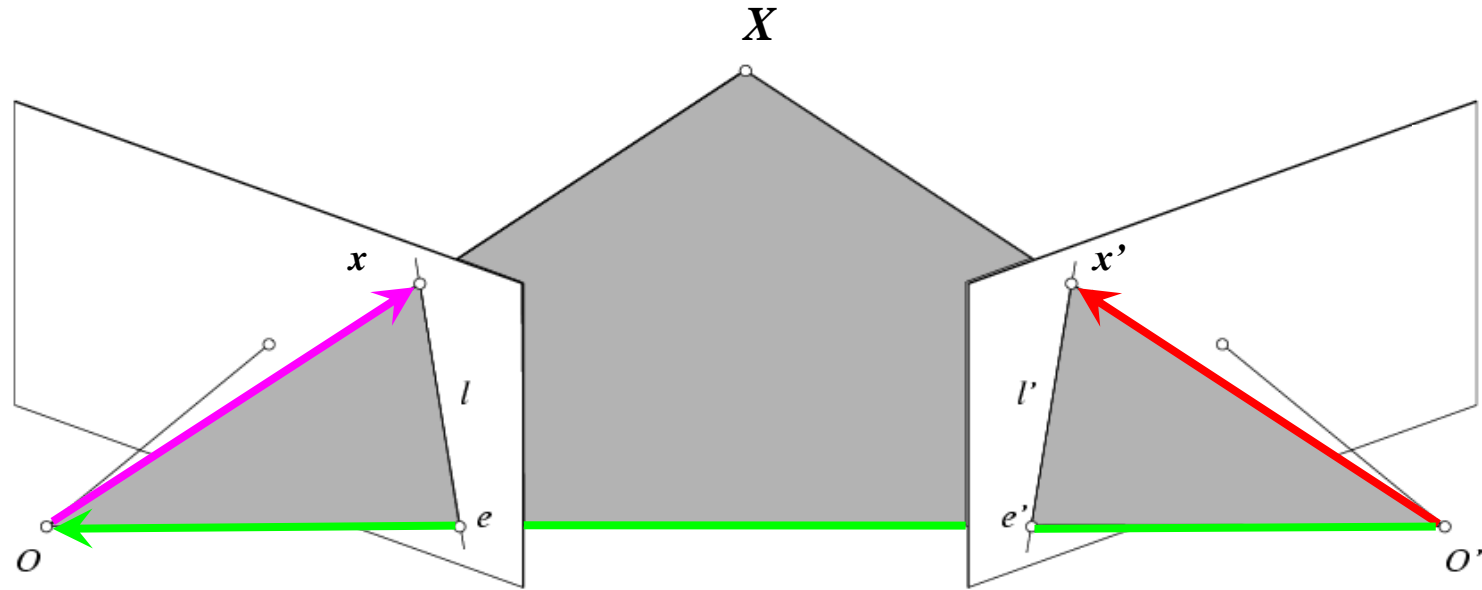
$$\hat{x} = K^{-1} x = X$$

$$\hat{x}' = K'^{-1} x' = X'$$

$$\hat{x} \cdot [t \times (R\hat{x}')] = 0$$

(because  $\hat{x}$ ,  $R\hat{x}'$ , and  $t$  are co-planar)

# Essential matrix



$$\hat{x} \cdot [t \times (R \hat{x}')] = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \hat{x}^T E \hat{x}' = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad E = [t]_{\times} R$$

**Essential Matrix**  
(Longuet-Higgins, 1981)

# The Fundamental Matrix

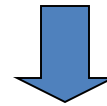
Without knowing  $K$  and  $K'$ , we can define a similar relation using *unknown* normalized coordinates

$$\hat{x}^T E \hat{x}' = 0$$

$$\hat{x} = K^{-1} x$$

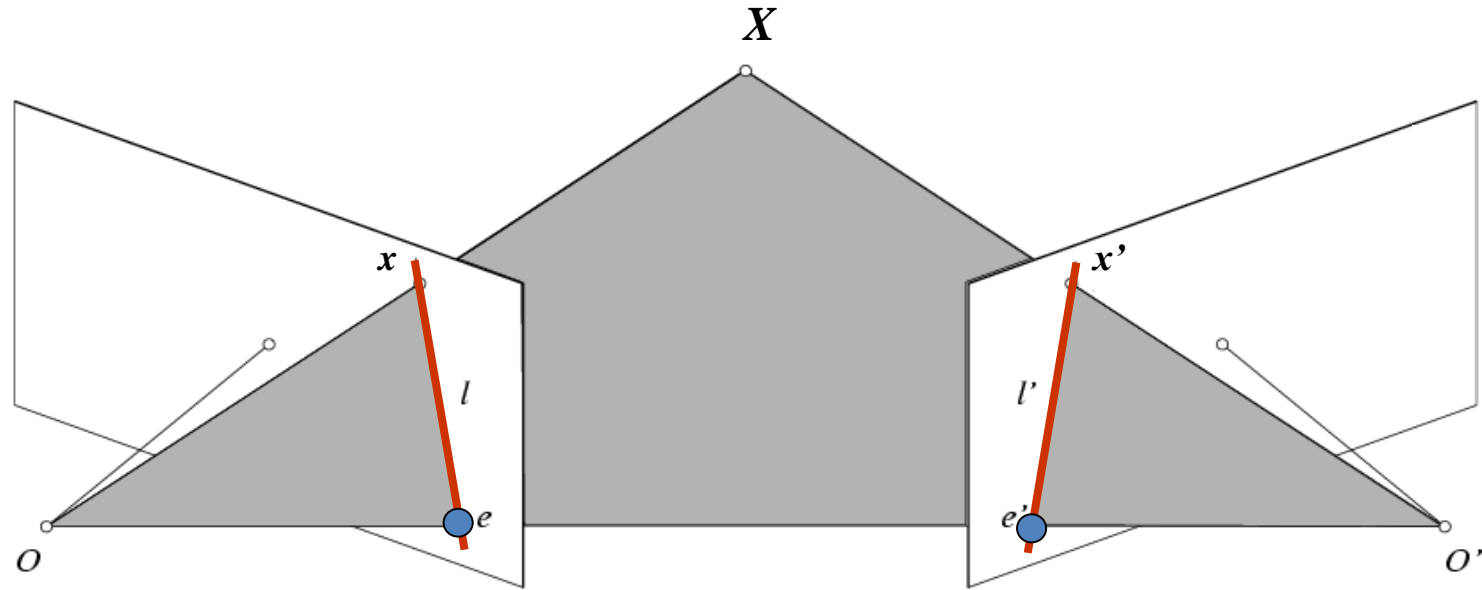
$$\hat{x}' = K'^{-1} x'$$


$$x^T F x' = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad F = K^{-T} E K'^{-1}$$



**Fundamental Matrix**  
(Faugeras and Luong, 1992)

# Properties of the Fundamental matrix



$$x^T F x' = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad F = K^{-T} E K'^{-1}$$

- $F x' = 0$  is the epipolar line associated with  $x'$
- $F^T x = 0$  is the epipolar line associated with  $x$
- $F e' = 0$  and  $F^T e = 0$
- $F$  is singular (rank two):  $\det(F)=0$
- $F$  has seven degrees of freedom: 9 entries but defined up to scale,  $\det(F)=0$

# Estimating the Fundamental Matrix

- 8-point algorithm
  - Least squares solution using SVD on equations from 8 pairs of correspondences
  - Enforce  $\det(F)=0$  constraint using SVD on F
- 7-point algorithm
  - Use least squares to solve for null space (two vectors) using SVD and 7 pairs of correspondences
  - Solve for linear combination of null space vectors that satisfies  $\det(F)=0$
- Minimize reprojection error
  - Non-linear least squares

Note: estimation of F (or E) is degenerate for a planar scene.



# 8-point algorithm

1. Solve a system of homogeneous linear equations

a. Write down the system of equations

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

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

$$A\mathbf{f} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1u_1' & u_1v_1' & u_1 & v_1u_1' & v_1v_1' & v_1 & u_1' & v_1' & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ u_nu_n' & u_nv_n' & u_n & v_nu_n' & v_nv_n' & v_n & u_n' & v_n' & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_{11} \\ f_{12} \\ f_{13} \\ f_{21} \\ \vdots \\ f_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

# 8-point algorithm

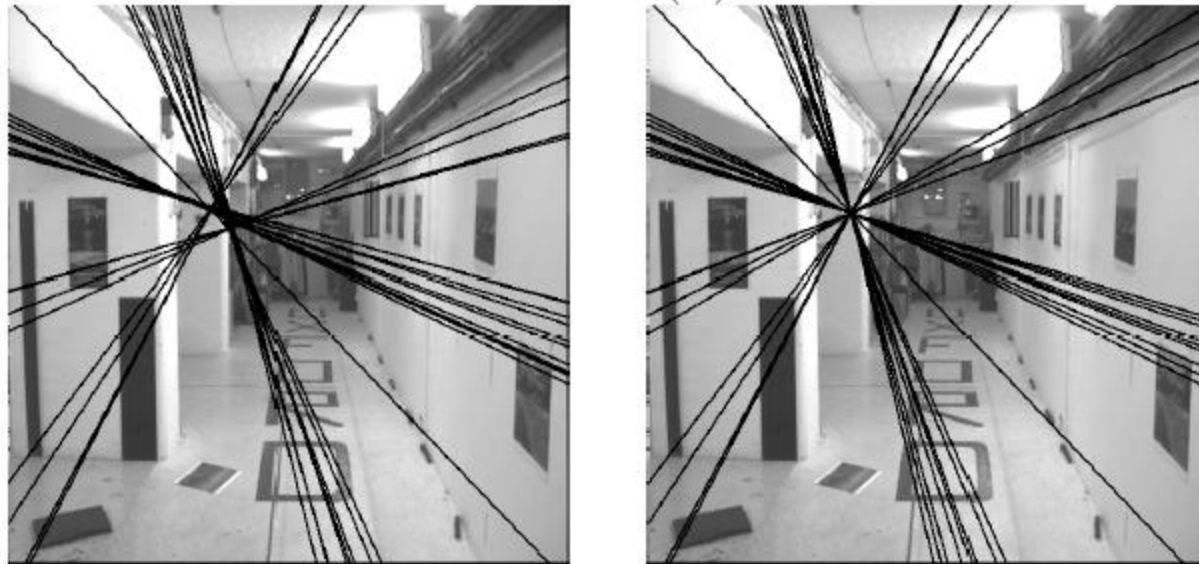
1. Solve a system of homogeneous linear equations
  - a. Write down the system of equations
  - b. Solve  $\mathbf{f}$  from  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{f}=\mathbf{0}$  using SVD

Matlab:

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[U, S, V] = svd(A);  
f = V(:, end);  
F = reshape(f, [3 3])';
```

# Need to enforce singularity constraint

Fundamental matrix has rank 2 :  $\det(\mathbf{F}) = 0$ .



**Left :** Uncorrected  $\mathbf{F}$  – epipolar lines are not coincident.

**Right :** Epipolar lines from corrected  $\mathbf{F}$ .

# 8-point algorithm

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2. Resolve  $\det(F) = 0$  constraint using SVD

Matlab:

```
[U, S, V] = svd(F);  
S(3,3) = 0;  
F = U*S*V';
```

# 8-point algorithm

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  - a. Write down the system of equations
  - b. Solve  $\mathbf{f}$  from  $A\mathbf{f}=\mathbf{0}$  using SVD
2. Resolve  $\det(F) = 0$  constraint by SVD

## Notes:

- Use RANSAC to deal with outliers (sample 8 points)
  - How to test for outliers?

# Problem with eight-point algorithm

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$$\begin{bmatrix} u'u & u'v & u' & v'u & v'v & v' & u & v \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_{11} \\ f_{12} \\ f_{13} \\ f_{21} \\ f_{22} \\ f_{23} \\ f_{31} \\ f_{32} \end{bmatrix} = -1$$

# Problem with eight-point algorithm

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250906.36	183269.57	921.81	200931.10	146766.13	738.21	272.19	198.81
2692.28	131633.03	176.27	6196.73	302975.59	405.71	15.27	746.79
416374.23	871684.30	935.47	408110.89	854384.92	916.90	445.10	931.81
191183.60	171759.40	410.27	416435.62	374125.90	893.65	465.99	418.65
48988.86	30401.76	57.89	298604.57	185309.58	352.87	846.22	525.15
164786.04	546559.67	813.17	1998.37	6628.15	9.86	202.65	672.14
116407.01	2727.75	138.89	169941.27	3982.21	202.77	838.12	19.64
135384.58	75411.13	198.72	411350.03	229127.78	603.79	681.28	379.48

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_{11} \\ f_{12} \\ f_{13} \\ f_{21} \\ f_{22} \\ f_{23} \\ f_{31} \\ f_{32} \end{bmatrix} = -\mathbf{1}$$

Poor numerical conditioning

Can be fixed by rescaling the data

# The normalized eight-point algorithm

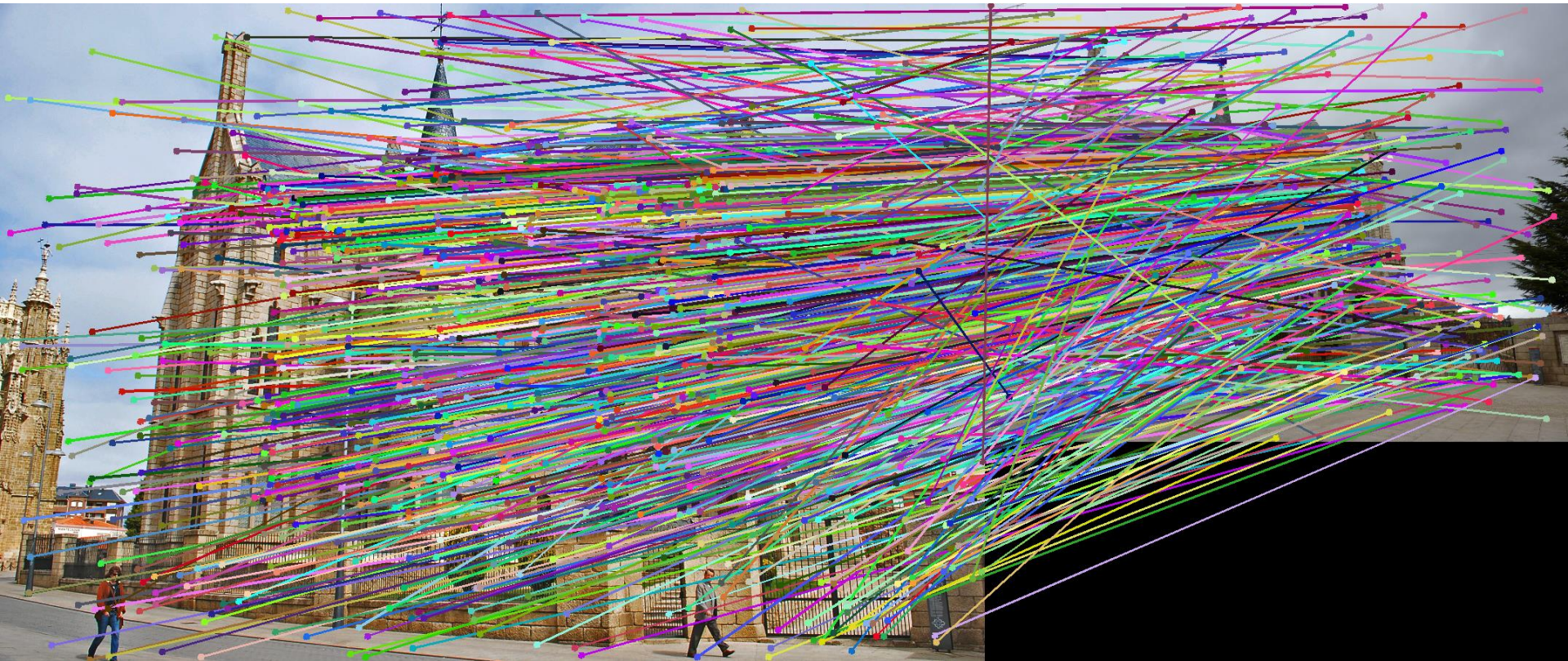
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(Hartley, 1995)

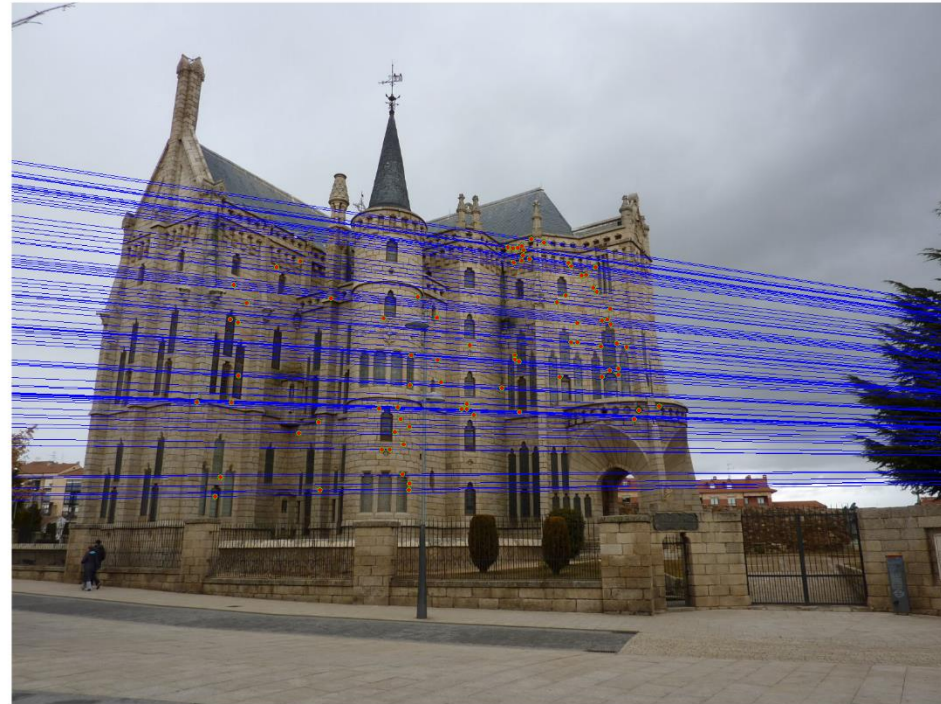
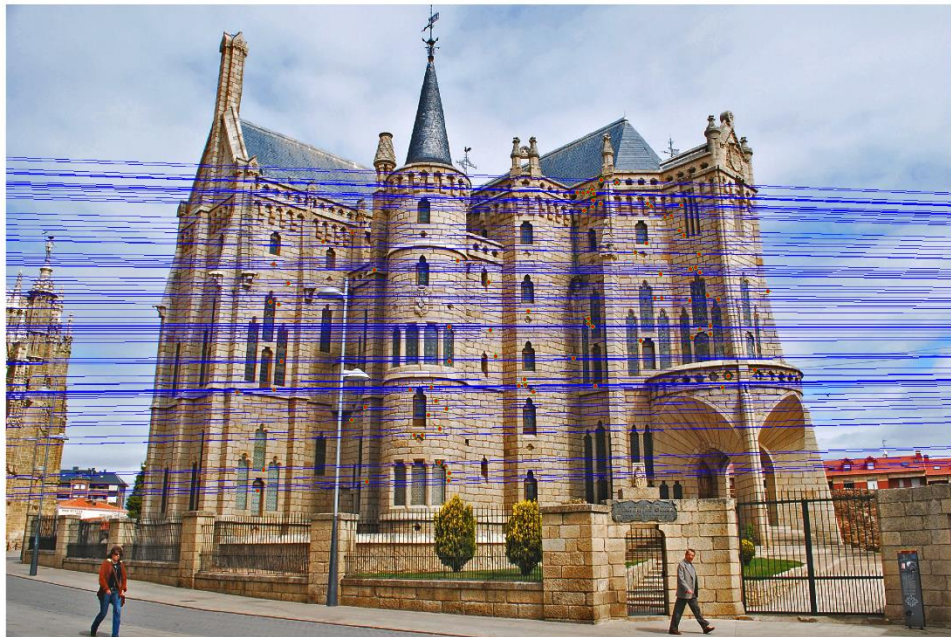
- Center the image data at the origin, and scale it so the mean squared distance between the origin and the data points is 2 pixels
- Use the eight-point algorithm to compute  $\mathbf{F}$  from the normalized points
- Enforce the rank-2 constraint (for example, take SVD of  $\mathbf{F}$  and throw out the smallest singular value)
- Transform fundamental matrix back to original units: if  $\mathbf{T}$  and  $\mathbf{T}'$  are the normalizing transformations in the two images, then the fundamental matrix in original coordinates is  $\mathbf{T}'^T \mathbf{F} \mathbf{T}$



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# Epipolar lines



Keep only the matches that are “inliers” with respect to the “best” fundamental matrix

