

# ICCV 2003 Course on Omnidirectional Vision

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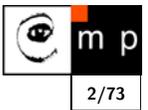
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## Outline of the lecture



1. Estimation of multiple view geometry of central dioptric & catadioptric omnidirectional cameras
2. Non-central cameras, their models, and stereo geometries



## Part 1.

Estimation of multiple-view geometry of

central

dioptric & catadioptric

omnidirectional cameras

## Central Omnidirectional Cameras



Catadioptric

Dioptric



Perspective cam.  
Hyperbolic mirror  
 $360^\circ \times 180^\circ$



Orthographic cam.  
Parabolic mirror  
 $360^\circ \times 140^\circ$



Nikon Coolpix  
FC-E8 Lens  
 $360^\circ \times 183^\circ$



1.000\$

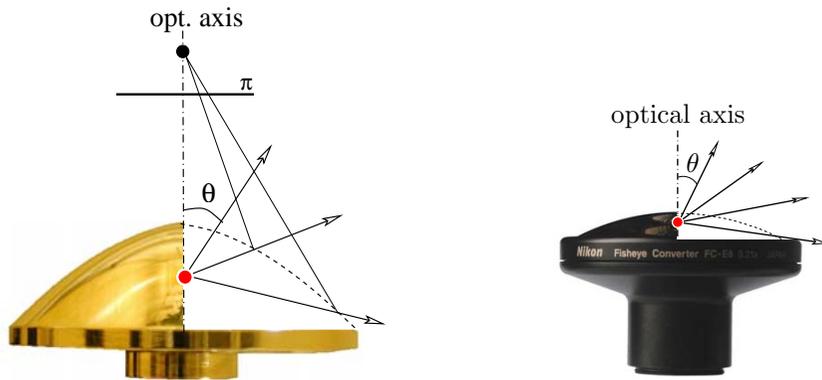


Canon EOS-1  
Sigma Lens  
 $360^\circ \times 180^\circ$

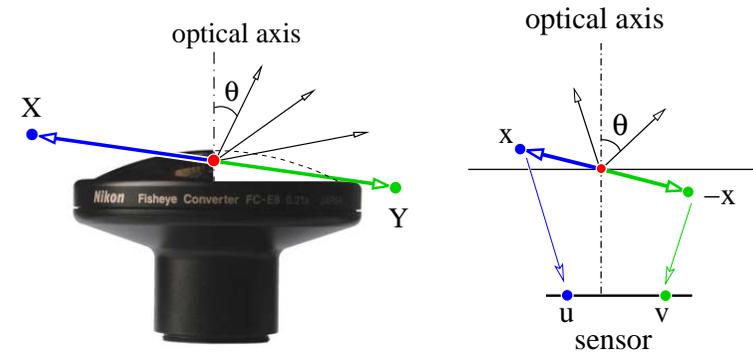


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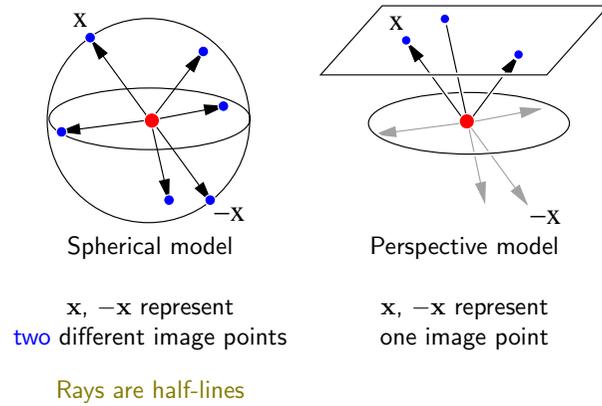
## Central



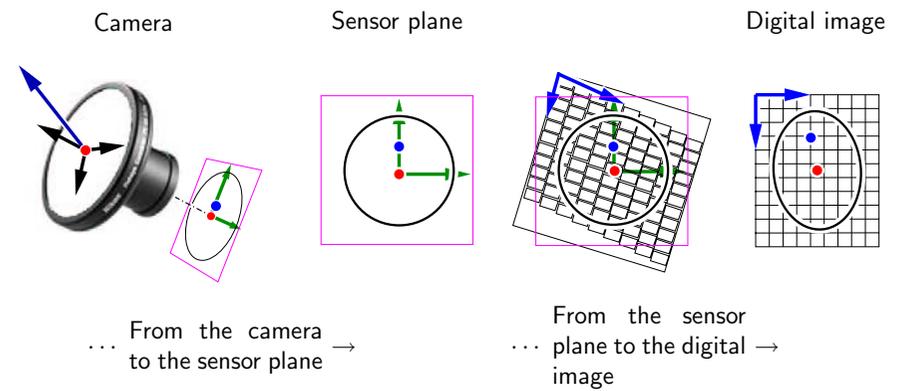
## Omnidirectional



## Spherical Model



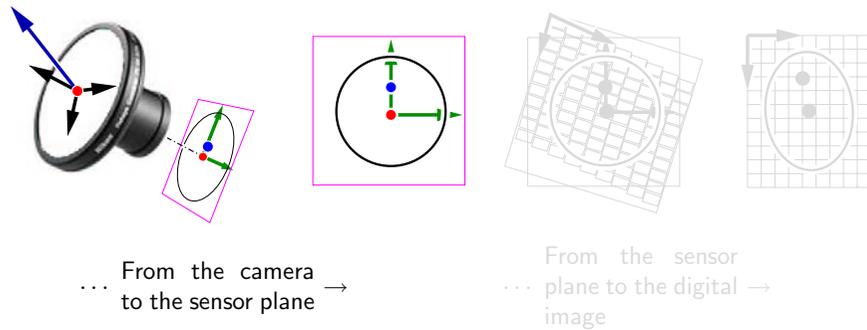
## Image Formation



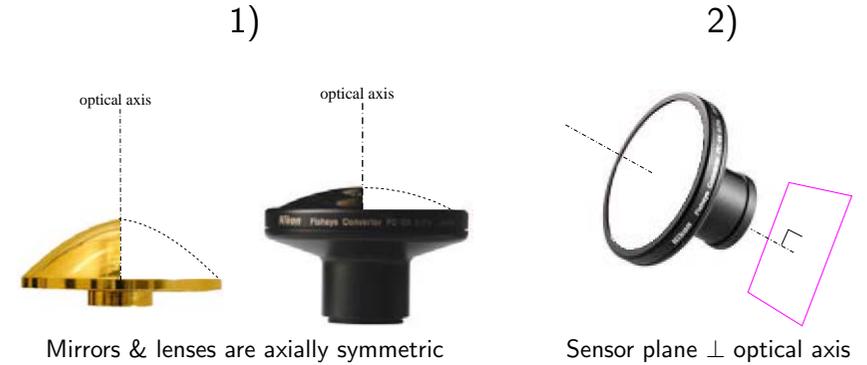
Why two steps?

Scene coordinates — separated by non-linear projection from — image coordinates

## From the camera to the sensor plane

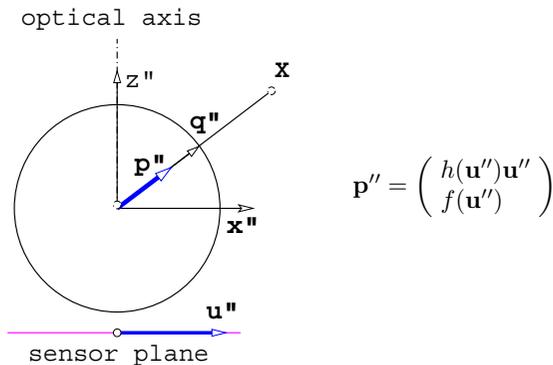


## Sensor plane ⊥ Optical axis



## From the camera to the sensor plane — general form

Spherical image point  $q'' \in S^3 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \|x\| = 1\}$ , represented by the directional vector  $p''$  of its projection ray, projects to a sensor plane point  $u''$  so that



where functions  $f, h: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are rotationally symmetric, i.e. for every rotation  $R$  of the sensor plane plane

$$\begin{aligned} h(Ru'') &= h(u'') \\ f(Ru'') &= f(u'') \end{aligned}$$

## From the camera to the sensor plane — examples



Parabolic mirror	Hyperbolic mirror	Nikon FC-E8 Lens	Sigma Lens
$p'' = \begin{pmatrix} 1u'' \\ \frac{a''^2 - \ u''\ ^2}{2a''} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} h(u'')u'' \\ f(u'') \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1u'' \\ \frac{\ u''\ }{\tan \frac{a''\ u''\ }{1+b''\ u''\ }} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1u'' \\ \frac{\ u''\ }{\tan \left( \frac{1}{b''} \arcsin \frac{b''\ u''\ }{a''} \right)} \end{pmatrix}$
↓			
$h(u'') = \frac{b''^2 \left( F''^2 \sqrt{a''^2 + b''^2} + F'' a'' \sqrt{\ u''\ ^2 + F''^2} \right)}{F''^2 b''^2 - a''^2 \ u''\ ^2}$			
$f(u'') = h(u'')F'' - 2\sqrt{a''^2 + b''^2}$			

Perspective projection

$$\mathbf{p}'' = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}'' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{u}'' \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \mathbf{u}'' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Omnidirectional projection

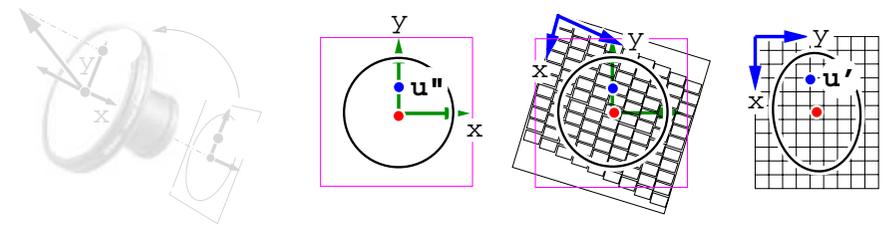
$$\mathbf{p}'' = \begin{pmatrix} h(\mathbf{u}'')\mathbf{u}'' \\ f(\mathbf{u}'') \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{u}'' \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} h(\mathbf{u}'')\mathbf{u}'' \\ f(\mathbf{u}'') \end{pmatrix}$$

Catadioptric projection (Geyer & Daniilidis ECCV 2000)

$$h(\mathbf{u}'') = \frac{l(l+m) + \sqrt{\|\mathbf{u}''\|^2(1-l^2) + (l+m)^2}}{\|\mathbf{u}''\|^2 + (l+m)^2}$$

$$f(\mathbf{u}'') = h(\mathbf{u}'')(l+m) - l$$



Sensor plane with Cartesian coord. s.

Digitized by skewed pixel grid

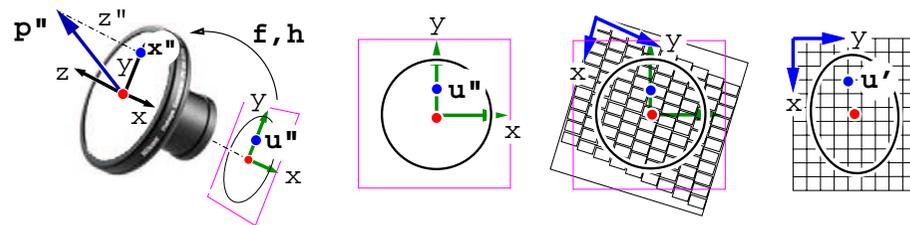
Digital image in computer



$$\mathbf{u}'' = \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{u}' + \mathbf{t}'$$

$$\mathbf{A}' \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \text{ regular, } \mathbf{t}' \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

Complete image formation model



$$\exists \alpha'' > 0: \frac{1}{\alpha''} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{p}'' = \begin{pmatrix} h(\mathbf{u}'')\mathbf{u}'' \\ f(\mathbf{u}'') \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} h(\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{u}' + \mathbf{t}')(\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{u}' + \mathbf{t}') \\ f(\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{u}' + \mathbf{t}') \end{pmatrix}$$

central projection non-perspective optics

digitization

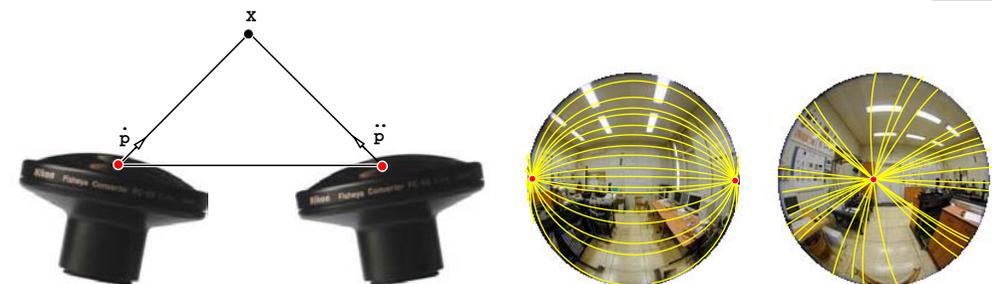
Parameters:  $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 4}, \text{rank } \mathbf{P} = 3$   
 $\mathbf{A}' \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}, \text{rank } \mathbf{A}' = 2$   
 $\mathbf{t}' \in \mathbb{R}^2$   
 $a'', b'', \dots \in \mathbb{R}$

... projection matrix  
 ... linear transformation  
 ... translation  
 ... parameters of functions  $h, f$

$f, h: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ :

$f, h(\mathbf{R}\mathbf{u}'') = f, h(\mathbf{u}'')$  for a rotation  $\mathbf{R}$  ... rotational symmetry

Epipolar geometry



Epipolar constraint holds for every central camera

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}}^T \mathbf{F} \ddot{\mathbf{p}} = 0$$

Epipolar curves are ...

1. **conics** for central catadioptric cameras (Svoboda & Pajdla IJCV 2002)
2. **non-conics** for wide-angle dioptric cameras (Micusik & Pajdla CVPR 2003)

Let  $C = \{\hat{\mathbf{u}} \leftrightarrow \hat{\mathbf{u}}\}$  be a set of corresponding points in two omnidirectional images.

Find image formation parameters  $\hat{A}, \hat{\mathbf{t}}, a, b, \dots$  and  $\hat{A}', \hat{\mathbf{t}}', a', b', \dots$  so that there exists  $F \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}, \text{rank } F = 2$  such that for every correspondence  $\hat{\mathbf{u}} \leftrightarrow \hat{\mathbf{u}} \in C$  holds

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}}^T F \hat{\mathbf{p}} = 0$$

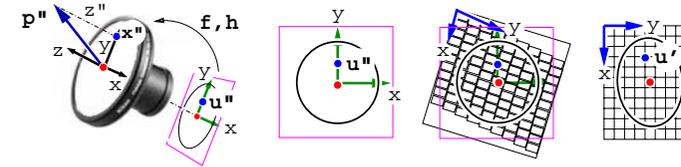
for

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}} = \begin{pmatrix} h(\hat{A}\hat{\mathbf{u}}' + \hat{\mathbf{t}})(\hat{A}\hat{\mathbf{u}}' + \hat{\mathbf{t}}) \\ f(\hat{A}\hat{\mathbf{u}}' + \hat{\mathbf{t}}) \end{pmatrix} \quad \hat{\mathbf{p}} = \begin{pmatrix} h(\hat{A}'\hat{\mathbf{u}} + \hat{\mathbf{t}})(\hat{A}'\hat{\mathbf{u}} + \hat{\mathbf{t}}) \\ f(\hat{A}'\hat{\mathbf{u}} + \hat{\mathbf{t}}) \end{pmatrix}$$

**Remember:**  $\hat{A}, \hat{\mathbf{t}}, a, b, \dots$  (in general)  $\neq A', \mathbf{t}', a'', b'', \dots$

$\dots A', \mathbf{t}', a'', b'', \dots$  cannot be often recovered.

(Recall that perspective cameras also cannot be fully calibrated from epipolar geometry)



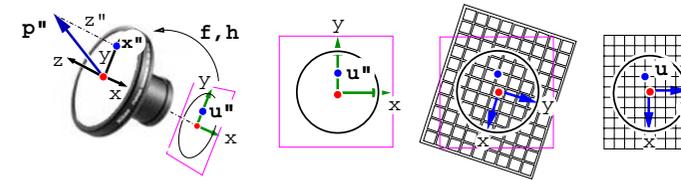
$$\dots \mathbf{u}'' = A'\mathbf{u}' + \mathbf{t}' \rightarrow$$

## Step 1.

Image Coord. s. Calibration

$$\mathbf{u} = A_C \mathbf{u}' + \mathbf{t}_C$$

$$A_C = \frac{1}{\rho} R^{-1} A', \mathbf{t}_C = \mathbf{t}', \rho > 0$$



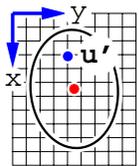
## Step 2.

$$\dots \mathbf{u}'' = \rho R \mathbf{u} \rightarrow$$

Metrically calibrated camera

Calibration of non-linear  $f$  &  $h$  by Epipolar geometry estimation

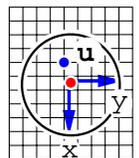
# Step 1. – Calibration of image coordinate system



1. Complete circular field of view  $\Rightarrow$  complete ellipse in the image
2. Black background



1. Detect contour
2. Fit ellipse
3. Find center



1. Move the origin to the center
2. Transform the ellipse to a circle

# Step 2. – Calibration of non-linear $f$ & $h$

i.e. ... from an image point to its 3D ray



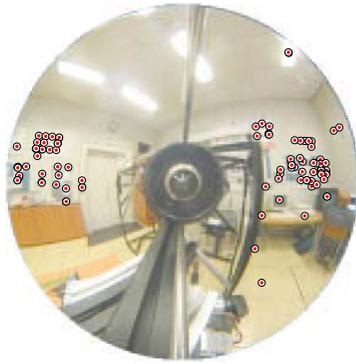
$\theta$  ... angle w.r.t. the optical axis

$\|\mathbf{u}\|$  ... image point radius

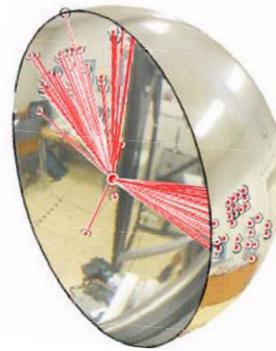
## Para-catadioptric camera



Camera

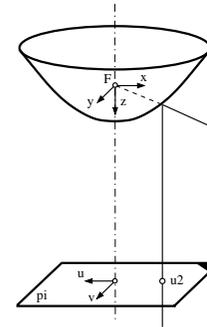


Points



Rays

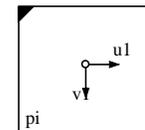
## Para-catadioptric camera - model



Coordinate system of the para-catadioptric camera. The origin is located in  $F$ .

$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} -u \\ v \\ \frac{a^2 - r^2}{2a} \end{pmatrix} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} -2au \\ 2av \\ a^2 - r^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$r = \sqrt{u^2 + v^2}$$



The coordinate system in the calibrated image.

## Calibration based on epipolar geometry

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}}^\top \mathbf{F} \ddot{\mathbf{p}} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\dot{u} & \dot{v} & \frac{a^2 - \dot{r}^2}{2a} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{F} \begin{pmatrix} -\ddot{u} \\ \ddot{v} \\ \frac{a^2 - \ddot{r}^2}{2a} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Denote  $\mathbf{d} = (f_1 \dots f_9)^\top$ ,  $\mathbf{F} = \begin{pmatrix} f_1 & f_2 & f_3 \\ f_4 & f_5 & f_6 \\ f_7 & f_8 & f_9 \end{pmatrix}$

Gather the point coordinates and radii into five design matrices  $\rightarrow$  a quartic (degree 4) equation in parameter  $a$  and linear in  $\mathbf{d}$

$$(\mathbf{D}_1 + a\mathbf{D}_2 + a^2\mathbf{D}_3 + a^3\mathbf{D}_4 + a^4\mathbf{D}_5) \mathbf{d} = 0$$

$\mathbf{D}_1, \dots, \mathbf{D}_5 \in \mathbb{R}^{9 \times 9}$  for 9 correspondences

## Calibration based on epipolar geometry

$$(\mathbf{D}_1 + a\mathbf{D}_2 + a^2\mathbf{D}_3 + a^3\mathbf{D}_4 + a^4\mathbf{D}_5) \mathbf{d} = 0,$$

is known as the Polynomial Eigenvalue Problem (PEP) (Bai et al 2000) (polyeig in Matlab)

1. Generalization of (Fitzgibbon CVPR 2001) to omnidirectional cameras
2. Solution for 9 correspondences  $\rightarrow$  RANSAC can be used

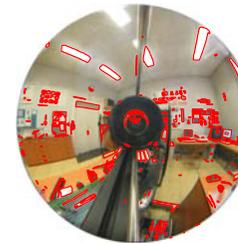
## Algorithm

Algorithm for computing 3D rays and an essential matrix  $F$ .

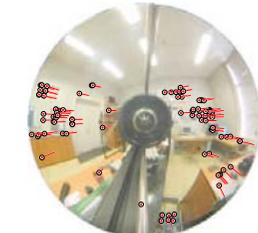
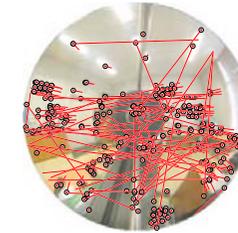
1. Find the ellipse corresponding to the view field of the camera. Transform the image so that the ellipse becomes a circle. Establish 9 point correspondences  $\{\tilde{u} \leftrightarrow \tilde{u}\}$  between two images.
2. Create matrices  $D_{1...5} \in \mathbb{R}^{9 \times 9}$  and solve PEP. Use Matlab:  
 $[H \ a] = \text{polyeig}(D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4, D_5)$ ,  $H$  is a  $9 \times 36$  matrix with columns  $d$ ,  $a$  is a  $36 \times 1$  vector with elements  $a$ .
3. Choose only real positive finite  $a \neq 0$  (other solutions seem never be correct), 1-3 solutions remain. For every  $a$  there is a corresponding essential matrix  $F$ .
4. Compute the angular error for all pairs  $\{a \leftrightarrow F\}$  as a sum of errors for all correspondences. The pair with the minimum error is the solution and  $a$ , and the essential matrix  $F$  are obtained.

For integrating the algorithm into the RANSAC, 9 points are selected from whole set of automatically detected correspondences and steps 1-4 are repeated till the model captured the highest number of matches is found.

## Finding correspondences



Pair of images with regions detected by Matas & Chum & Urban & Pajdla BMVC 2002



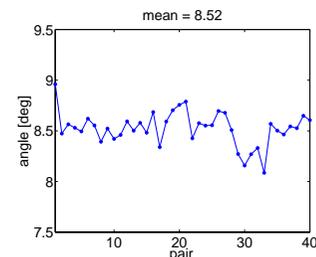
Tentative correspondences using similarity (Matas et al BMVC 2002) (many outliers)

Inliers satisfying epipolar geometry of para-catadioptric cameras (Micusik & Pajdla TR-18 2003)

## Estimated camera trajectory



Reconstructed camera positions



Estimated rotation angles

## Dioptric camera

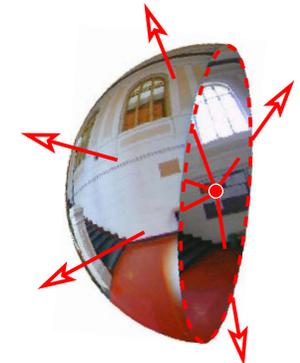


Camera

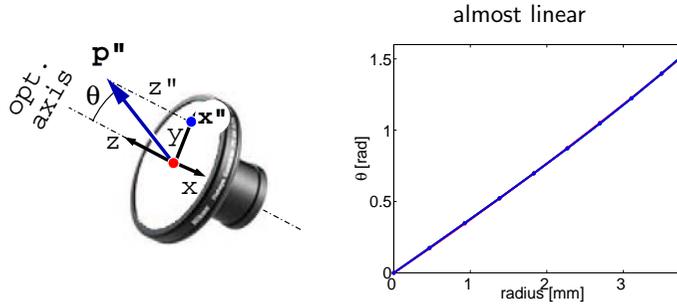


Image

$360^\circ \times 183^\circ$

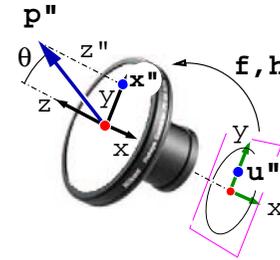


Rays



Nikon FC-E8  $\theta = \frac{a''' \|x''\|}{1 + b''' \|x''\|^2}$

Sigma  $\theta = \frac{1}{b'''} \operatorname{asin} \frac{b'' \|x''\|}{a'''}$

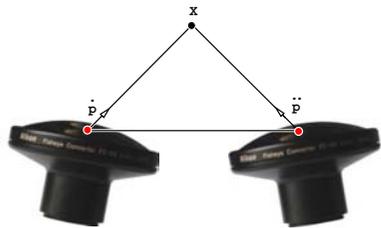


... Nikon FC-E8

$$p'' = \begin{pmatrix} x'' \\ z'' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} h(u'')u'' \\ f(u'') \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 u'' \\ f(u'') \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u'' \\ \frac{\|u''\|}{\tan \theta} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{u''}{\tan \frac{a'' \|u''\|}{1 + b'' \|u''\|^2}} \\ \frac{u''}{\tan \left( \frac{1}{b''} \operatorname{asin} \frac{b'' \|u''\|}{a''} \right)} \end{pmatrix}$$

... Sigma

Linearization



$$p^T F p = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{u} \\ \frac{\|\dot{u}\|}{\tan \theta} \end{pmatrix}^T F \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{u} \\ \frac{\|\ddot{u}\|}{\tan \theta} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

does not lead to a simple (Polynomial Eigenvalue) Problem for

$$f(\|u\|, a, b, \dots) = \frac{\|u\|}{\tan \theta(a, b, \dots)}$$

is too much non-linear



Linearization

Linearization

$$f(\|u\|, a, b, \dots) = \frac{\|u\|}{\tan \theta(a, b, \dots)}$$

$$\tilde{f}(\|u\|, a, b, \dots) = f(\|u\|, a_0, b_0, \dots) + f_a(\|u\|, a_0, b_0, \dots)(a - a_0) + f_b(\|u\|, a_0, b_0, \dots)(b - b_0) + \dots$$

$$p = \begin{pmatrix} f(\cdot) - a_0 f_a(\cdot) - b_0 f_b(\cdot) + a f_a(\cdot) + b f_b(\cdot) \\ u \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} u \\ w \end{pmatrix} + a \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ s \end{pmatrix} + b \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= w + as + bt$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}}^T \mathbf{F} \dot{\mathbf{p}} = 0$$

$$(\dot{\mathbf{w}} + a\dot{\mathbf{s}} + b\dot{\mathbf{t}})^T \mathbf{F} (\dot{\mathbf{w}} + a\dot{\mathbf{s}} + b\dot{\mathbf{t}}) = 0$$

Denote 
$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{pmatrix} f_1 & f_2 & f_3 \\ f_4 & f_5 & f_6 \\ f_7 & f_8 & f_9 \end{pmatrix}$$

Gather the point coordinates and radii into three design matrices  $\rightarrow$  a quadratic equation in parameter  $a, b$  and linear in  $\mathbf{d}(F, b)$

$$(\mathbf{D}_1 + a\mathbf{D}_2 + a^2\mathbf{D}_3) \mathbf{d} = 0$$

... Quadratic Eigenvalue Problem (QEP) (Bai et al 2000) (polyeig in Matlab)

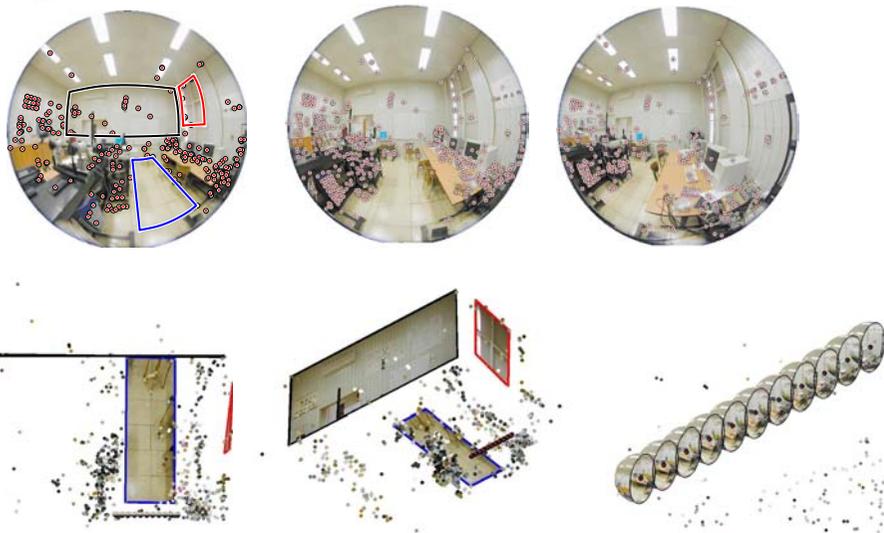
See Micusik & Pajdla CVPR 2003 for details.

Algorithm for computing 3D rays and an essential matrix is an extension of the algorithm for para-catadioptric camera by the linearization.

See Micusik & Pajdla SCIA 2003 for details.



### 3D Metric Reconstruction - I



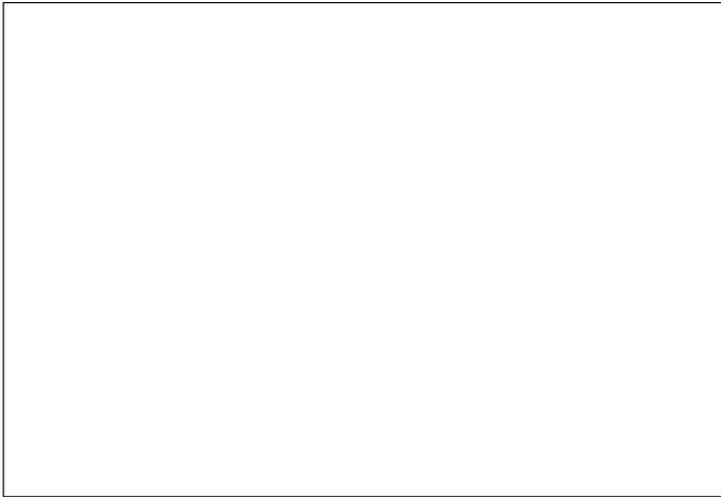
Images  $\rightarrow$  Calibration form EG's  $\rightarrow$  Projective Factorization (Martinec & Pajdla ECCV 2002), see details in Micusik & Martinec & Pajdla TR-20 2003.



### 3D Metric Reconstruction - II



Images  $\rightarrow$  Calibration form EG's  $\rightarrow$  Projective Factorization (Martinec & Pajdla ECCV 2002), see details in Micusik & Martinec & Pajdla TR-20 2003.



1. Multiple view geometry of perspective cameras extended to omnidirectional cameras

$$\mathbf{p}'' = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}'' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathbf{p}'' = \begin{pmatrix} h(\mathbf{u}'')\mathbf{u}'' \\ f(\mathbf{u}'') \end{pmatrix}$$

Perspective projection

Omnidirectional projection

2. Para-catadioptric camera  $\rightarrow$  Polynomial Eigenvalue Problem
3. Other cameras  $\rightarrow$  linearization  $\rightarrow$  Polynomial Eigenvalue Problem
4. Complexity given by the number of parameters of the model rather than by the form of  $h, f$ .
5. Non-iterative solution  $\rightarrow$  RANSAC (i.e. PEP is iterative but converges very fast).

## Part 2.

Non-central cameras

models

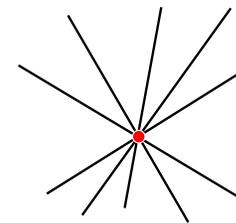
&

stereo geometries

## Non-central cameras

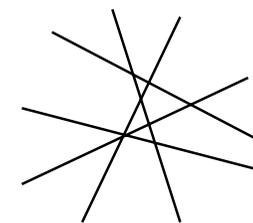
Space is projected to images along more general arrangements of lines called **non-central cameras**

Central camera



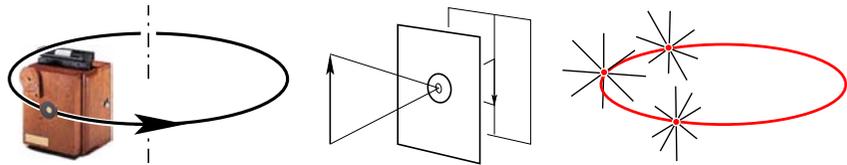
a set of rays incident with one point

Non-central camera



(just) a set of rays

## Example: Circular panoramas

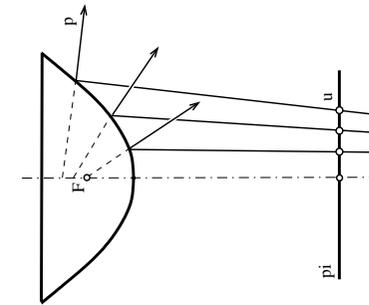


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Advantages: large view field, higher precision, interesting . . .

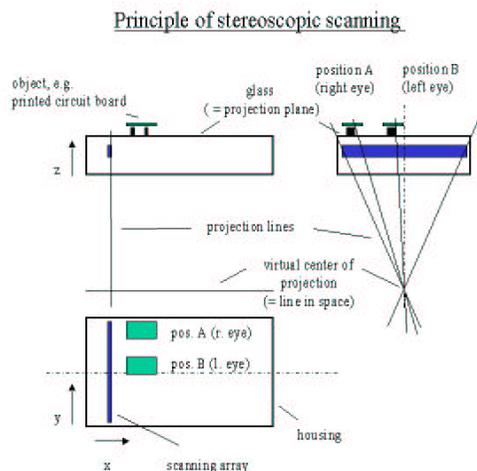
## Example: Non-central catadioptric cameras

Real para-catadioptric camera



## Flat-bed scanners are non-central cameras

. . . they can be used to do 3D reconstruction



Stereo pair of images



Reconstruction

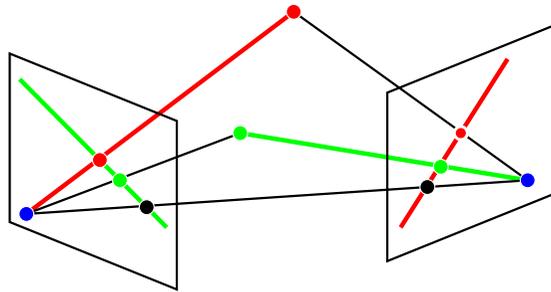
(by Soft Imaging System GmbH.  
<http://www.soft-imaging.de>)

Courtesy of Richard Schubert (<http://www.stereoscopicscanning.de/>)

## Some history of non-central cameras

- 1843 Joseph Puchberger patented the 'slit camera' (similar to pushbroom camera).
- 1990 – ... Non-central cameras used in **mosaicing** (Ishiguro et. al 1992, Peleg et. al 1999, Shum et. al 1999, Huang et. al 2000, Nayar & Karmarkar 2000), **reconstruction** (Gupta & Hartley 1997), **visualization** (McMillan et. al 1995, Gortler et. al 1996, Levoy et. al 1996, Rademacher et. al 1998, Weinshall et. al 2002) ...
- 2001 T. Pajdla (Pajdla CVWW 2001) and S. Seitz (Seitz ICCV 2001) discovered the generalization of epipolar planes to epipolar quadrics.
- 2001 – ... Non-central camera models developed **camera models** (Grossberg & Nayar ICCV 2001, Swaminathan et al ICCV 2001, Pless CVPR 2003, Neumann et al CVPR 2003, Micusik & Pajdla TR-19 2003), some **stereo geometries** analyzed (Pajdla IJCV 2001, Seitz & Kim IJCV 2001, Feldman et al ICCV 2003), . . .

## Epipolar lines in central images are 'independent'



Every point in space that projects on an **epipolar line** in the left image projects on the **corresponding epipolar line** in the right image

1. Search for correspondences can be done along epipolar lines  $\rightarrow$  constraints
2. Each epipolar line is solved almost (epipoles) independently  $\rightarrow$  easier search

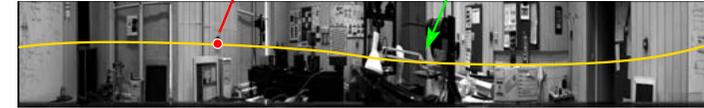
## Non-central cameras $\rightarrow$ stereo geometry

Epipolar lines  $\rightarrow$  stereo correspondence curves

left image



right image



Every point in space that projects on the curve in the left image projects on the curve in the right image

Stereo correspondence curves  $\implies$  stereo reconstruction with non-central cameras similar to stereo reconstruction with central cameras

## Stereo geometry of non-central cameras

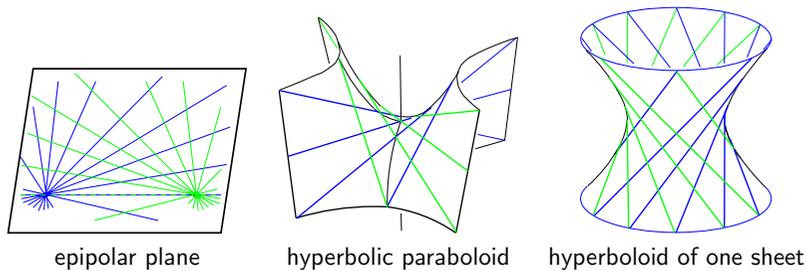
to have stereo correspondence curves

Epipolar planes  $\rightarrow$  Stereo correspondence surfaces



Result: (Pajdla CVWW 2001, Seitz ICCV 2001)

Interesting stereo correspondence surfaces are double ruled quadrics (all)

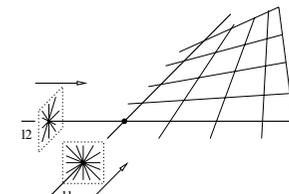


## There are many stereo geometries

Double ruled quadrics can be arranged in space in many different ways

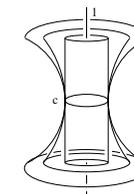
Examples

Pushbroom camera  
(Gupta & Hartley 1997)



two intersecting lines

Stereo panorama  
(Shum et. al 1999, Nayar & Karmarkar 2000)

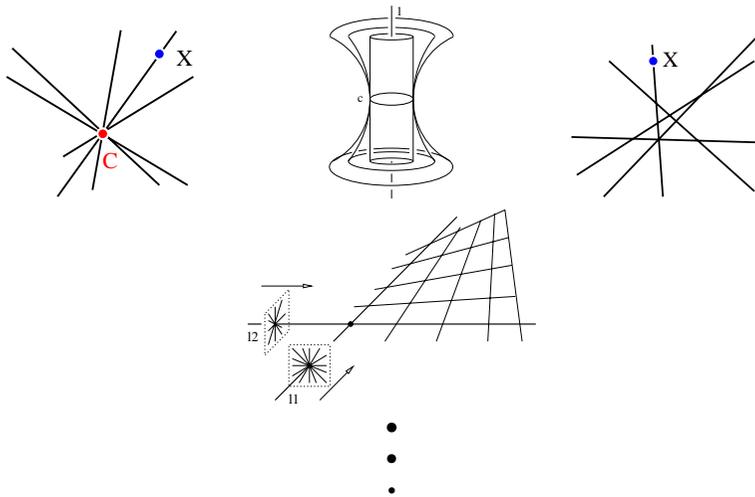


circle

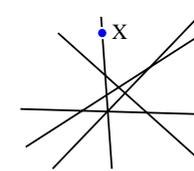
the situation can be somewhat complicated in general  $\rightarrow$  current research (epilinear geometries, example)

# Hierarchy of cameras

central camera      all other cameras      ?  
 all rays intersect at C      → some rays intersect      ← no rays intersect



# Oblique camera



## Definition

An oblique camera is a collection of lines such that every point in the projective space is contained in exactly one line.

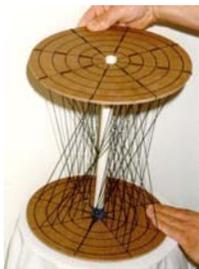
## Observation

Rays of an oblique camera do not intersect.

?

Do oblique cameras exist

# Oblique cameras exist – an example



picture by Rolf Riesinger

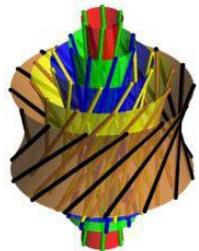
A set of lines generated by the linear mapping  $\sigma$  (more)

$$\text{span} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} x & -y \\ y & x \\ z & w \\ w & -z \end{pmatrix}$$

Lines are reguli of pairwise non-intersecting rotational hyperboloids

$$X^T \begin{pmatrix} s & & & \\ & s & & \\ & & s-1 & \\ & & & s-1 \end{pmatrix} X = 0, \quad s \in [0, 1]$$

Remark: OC are called **spreads** & wild spreads (not cospreads) exist!

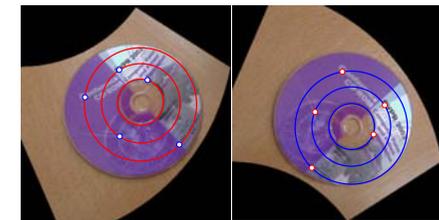


picture by Hans Havlicek

# Stereo geometry of oblique cameras



CD on a general plane in 3D seen by an Oblique Camera

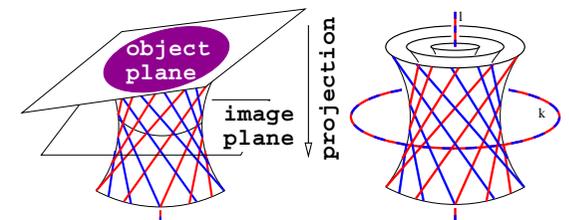


Circular search curves do not intersect

Remarks:

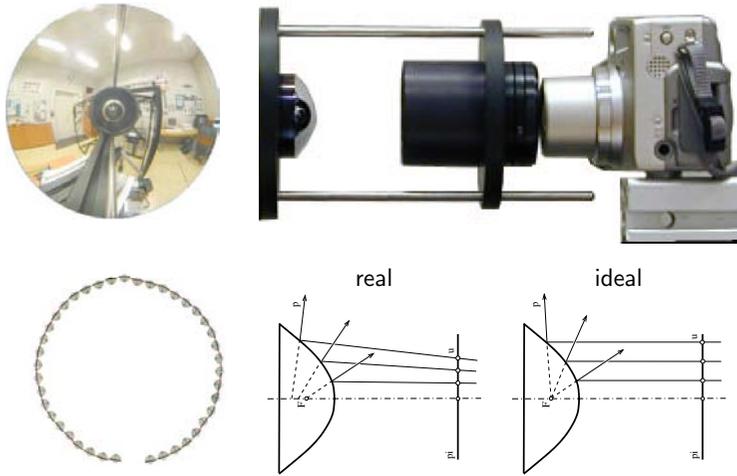
Non-intersecting rotational hyperboloids

The best geometry: independent search curves  
 Oblique cameras can be realized



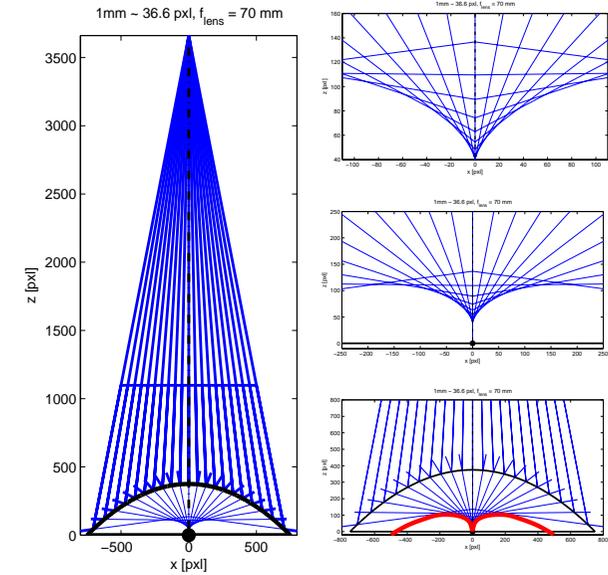
# Non-central catadioptric cameras

Real para-catadioptric camera - calibration & reconstruction



Non-central projection → Trajectory start ≠ Trajectory end

# Rays are tangent to a caustic

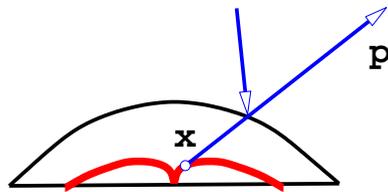


Rays reflected by the mirror are tangent to a **caustic surface**.

# Ray = point $x$ + direction vector $p$

Camera model is a mapping from

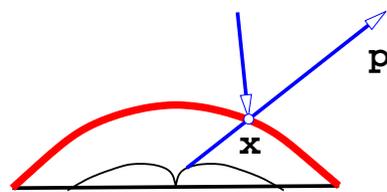
$$u \rightarrow \text{rays } (x, p)$$



Point  $x$  is on the caustic.  
(Grossberg & Nayar ICCV 2001  
Swaminathan et al ICCV 2001)

Geometric, Radiometric, Photometric

Must be computed

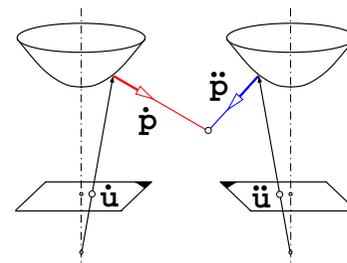


Point  $x$  is on the mirror  
(Micusik & Pajdla TR-19 2003)

Geometric

Available

# Calibration from a Stereo geometry



The corresponding rays  $(\dot{x}_w, \dot{p}_w)$ ,  $(\ddot{x}_w, \ddot{p}_w)$  intersect.

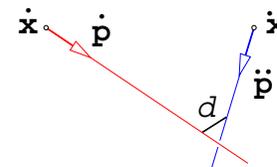
Tune parameters (bundle adjustment) of cameras, i.e.

$$\dot{K}, \dot{R}_C, \dot{t}_C, \dot{a} \text{ and } \ddot{K}, \ddot{R}_C, \ddot{t}_C, \ddot{a}, \ddot{R}_m, \ddot{t}_m$$

so that the mean distance

$$\text{mean}_C d[(\dot{x}_w, \dot{p}_w), (\ddot{x}_w, \ddot{p}_w)]$$

between all the corresponding rays  $C$  is minimized.

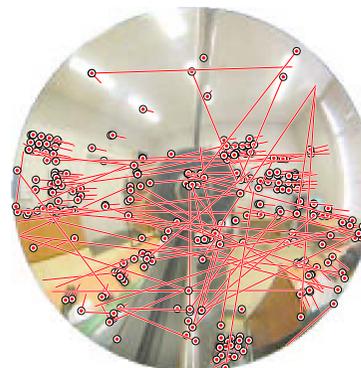


## Camera

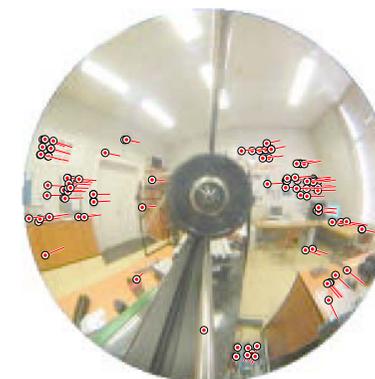


Real para-catadioptric camera

## Correspondences



Tentative correspondences using similarity (Matas et al BMVC 2002) (many outliers)

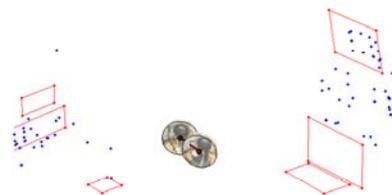


Inliers satisfying epipolar geometry of central para-catadioptric camera model (Micusik & Pajdla TR-18 2003)

## Calibration & Reconstruction



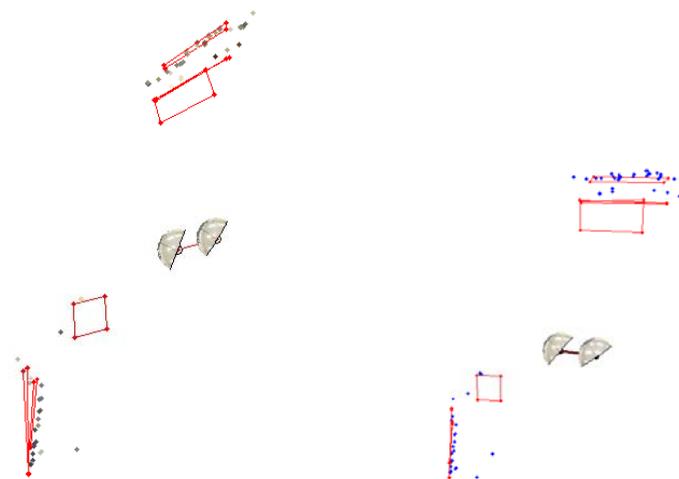
Marked polygons



3D reconstruction

- 1) Non-central model initialized by the central one
- 2) Stereo geometry optimized with non-central model

## Non-central vs. Central model



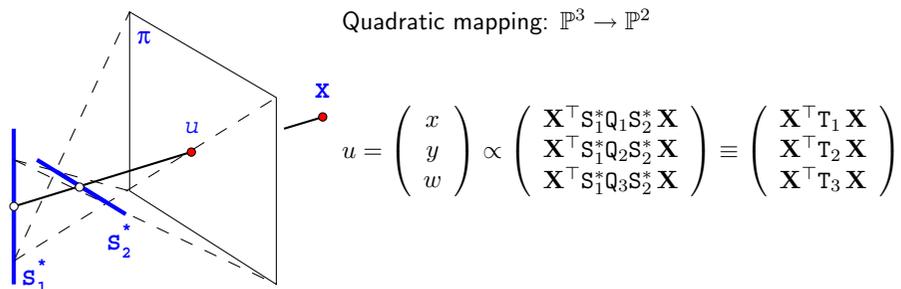
Central model (angles are wrong)

Non-central model (angles are correct)

were used to reconstruct the scene

## Crossed-Slits (X-Slits) projection

defined by two lines (slits) through which all projection rays must pass (generalization of Pushbroom cameras) (Weinshall et al ECCV 2002, Feldman et al ICCV 2003)



Dual Plücker matrices  $\mathbf{S}_1^*$ ,  $\mathbf{S}_2^*$  are defined by the slits.

Plücker matrices  $\mathbf{Q}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{Q}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{Q}_3$  are defined by the image plane  $\pi$ .

Plücker matrices  $\mathbf{Q}_i \propto \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{y}_i^\top - \mathbf{y}_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top$ , where  $\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i$  are any 2 points that line on in  $\mathbf{l}_i$ .

Dual Plücker matrices  $\mathbf{S}_i^* \propto \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^\top - \mathbf{v}_i \mathbf{u}_i^\top$ , where  $\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{v}_i$  are any 2 distinct planes that intersect in  $\mathbf{l}_i$ .

## X-Slits cameras by sampling Image volumes

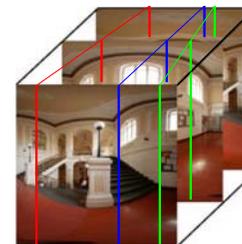
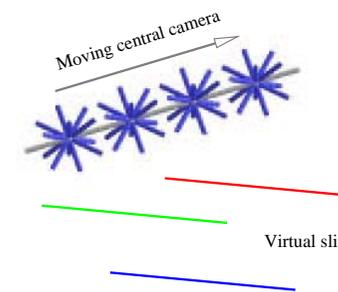


Image volume



X-Slits Image

One sampling function  $\rightarrow$  ones slit

## X-Slits "Fundamental matrix" F

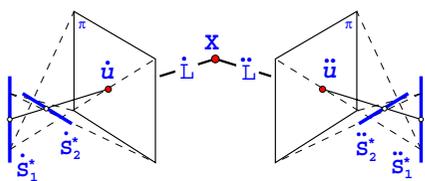


image point  $\rightarrow$  Plücker matrix of its ray

$$\dot{u} \rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{L}}(\dot{u}) = [\dot{l}_{ij}]$$

$$\ddot{u} \rightarrow \ddot{\mathbf{L}}(\ddot{u}) = [\ddot{l}_{kl}]$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{L}} \text{ intersects } \ddot{\mathbf{L}} \Leftrightarrow \dot{l}_{12}\ddot{l}_{34} + \dot{l}_{34}\ddot{l}_{12} + \dot{l}_{13}\ddot{l}_{42} + \dot{l}_{42}\ddot{l}_{13} + \dot{l}_{14}\ddot{l}_{23} + \dot{l}_{23}\ddot{l}_{14} = 0$$

$$v(\ddot{u})^\top \mathbf{F} v(\dot{u}) = 0$$

using the Veronese mapping  $v: (u_1, u_2, u_3)^\top \rightarrow (u_1^2, u_1 u_2, u_1 u_3, u_2^2, u_2 u_3, u_3^2)^\top$

1. Maps points in one image to conics in the other image
2. rank  $\mathbf{F} = 4$
3.  $\mathbf{F}$  exists even if there are no 'epipolar quadrics'

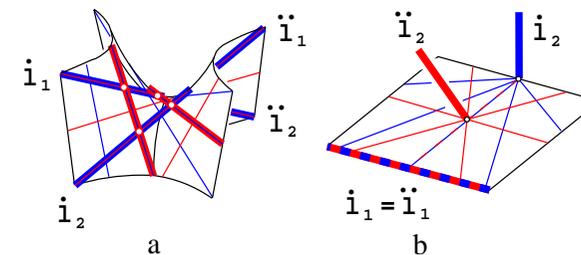
## X-Slits stereo geometry

Observation: A general pair of X-Slits cameras does not have stereo correspondence surfaces.

Theorem (Feldman & Pajdla & Weinshall ICCV 2003):

A pair of X-Slits cameras possesses epipolar quadrics iff

- (a) slits intersect in four pairwise disjoint points, or
- (b) the cameras share a slit (correspondence curves are "image rows").



# X-Slits stereo geometry — example



No correspondence curves . . . search curves are conics (hyperbolas)

More at ICCV 2003: [Feldman & Pajdla & Weinshall ICCV 2003](#)

# Applications

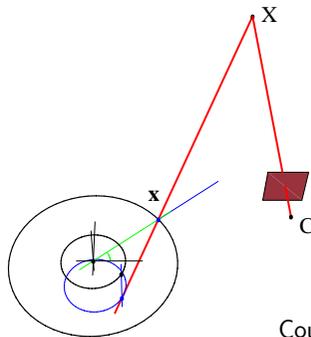
# Reconstruction from Circular panorama & Perspective image



Circular panorama

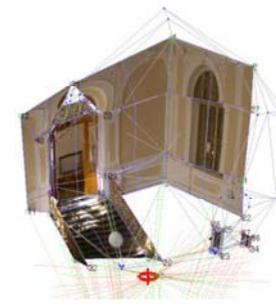
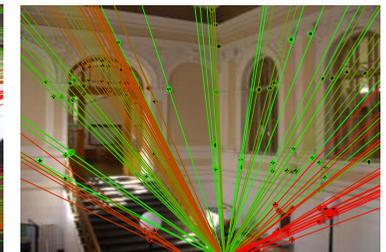


Perspective image



Courtesy of Marc Menem

# Circular panorama & Perspective image

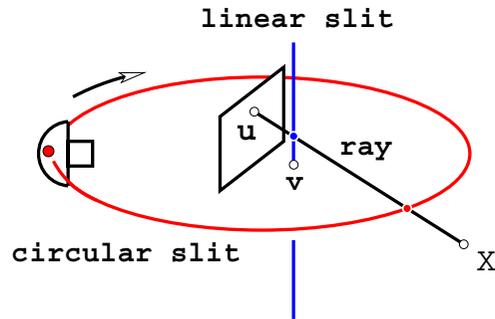
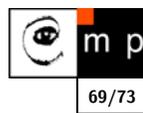


Reconstruction



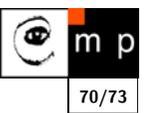
Courtesy of Marc Menem

## Application: Image Based Rendering with Non-central cameras

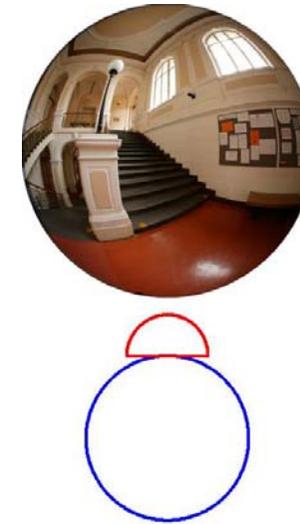


1. Central omnidirectional images acquired along a circular trajectory
2. At every viewpoint  $v$  inside the circle, a non-central image synthesized from acquired rays
3. by volume slicing . . . easy & fast
4. No 3D reconstruction needed, only pixel manipulation

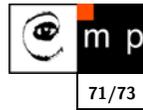
## Application: IBR with Non-central cameras



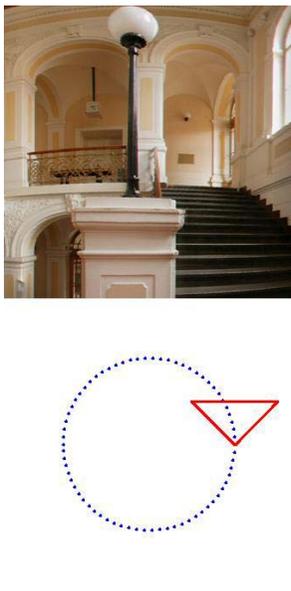
Original sequence acquired by a central omni-camera along a circle



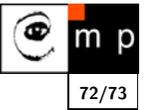
## Application: IBR with Non-central cameras



Synthesized sequence as if taken by a (non-central) camera inside the circle



## Application: Visualization with X-Slits



Synthesized sequence as if taken by a (non-central) camera inside the circle

1. Non-central cameras explain mosaics, panoramas, image volumes, . . .
2. Models of Non-central cameras developed (parametrization on caustics, reflectors, Plücker coordinates)
3. Stereo geometry understood for X-Slits cameras and circular panoramas . . . not known for many others
4. Applications in Reconstruction, Image Based Rendering, . . .

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