

# Structure from Motion I

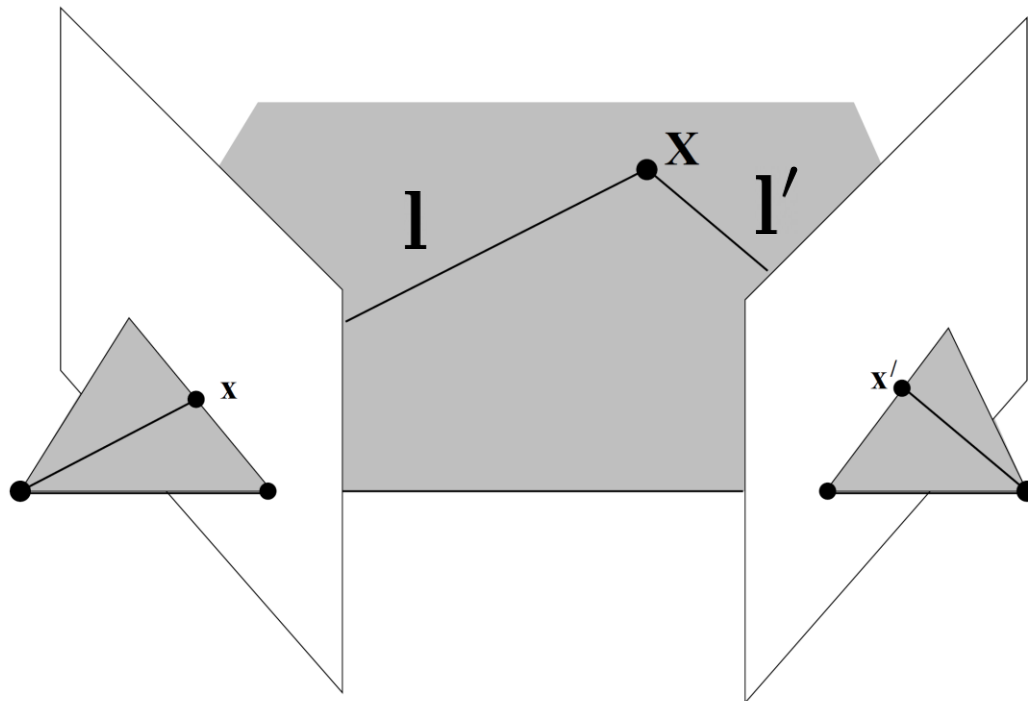
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# Triangulation

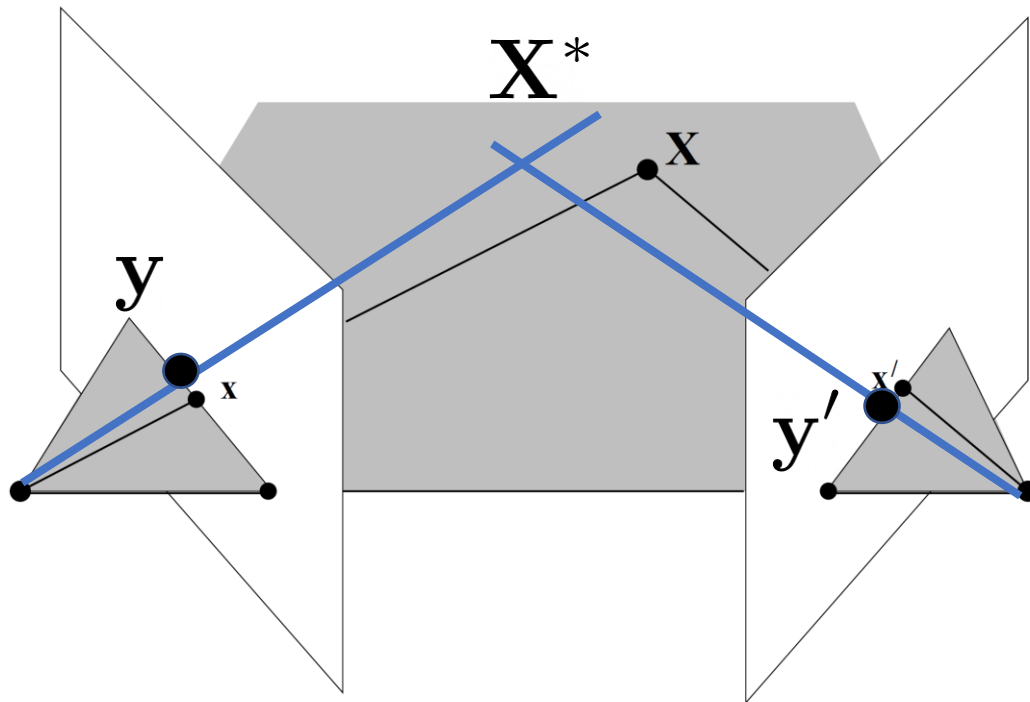
- Compute the 3D point given image correspondences



Intersection of two backprojected lines

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{l}'$$

# Triangulation



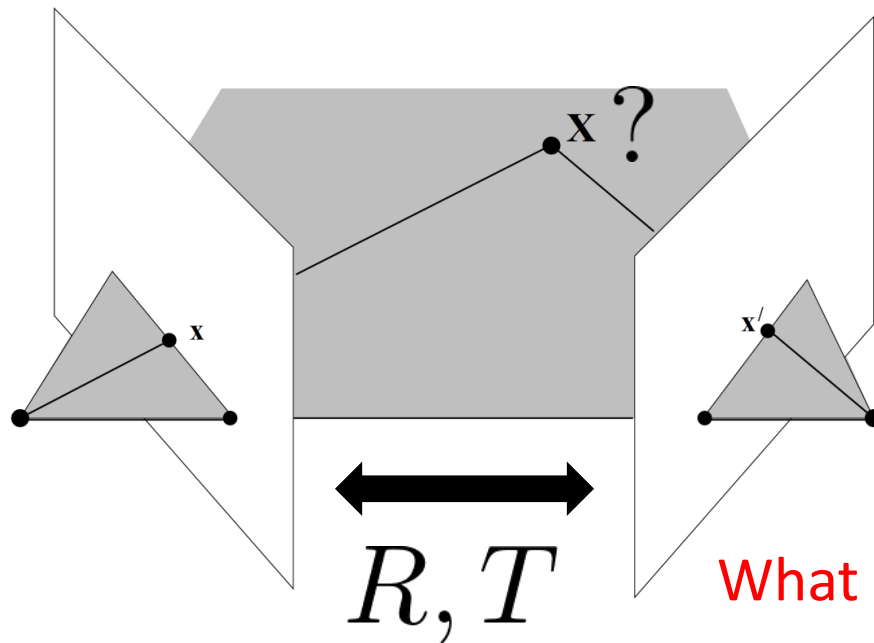
- In practice, we find the correspondences  $y \ y'$
- The backprojected lines may not intersect
- Find  $X^*$  that minimizes

$$d(\mathbf{y}, P\mathbf{X}^*) + d(\mathbf{y}', P'\mathbf{X}^*)$$

Projection matrix

# Triangulation

- Idea: using images from different views and feature matching
- Triangulation from pixel correspondences to compute 3D location



Given  $\mathbf{X} \longleftrightarrow \mathbf{x}'$

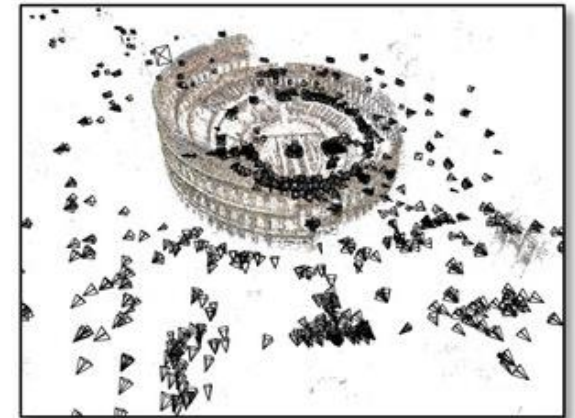
Intersection of two backprojected lines

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{1} \times \mathbf{1}'$$

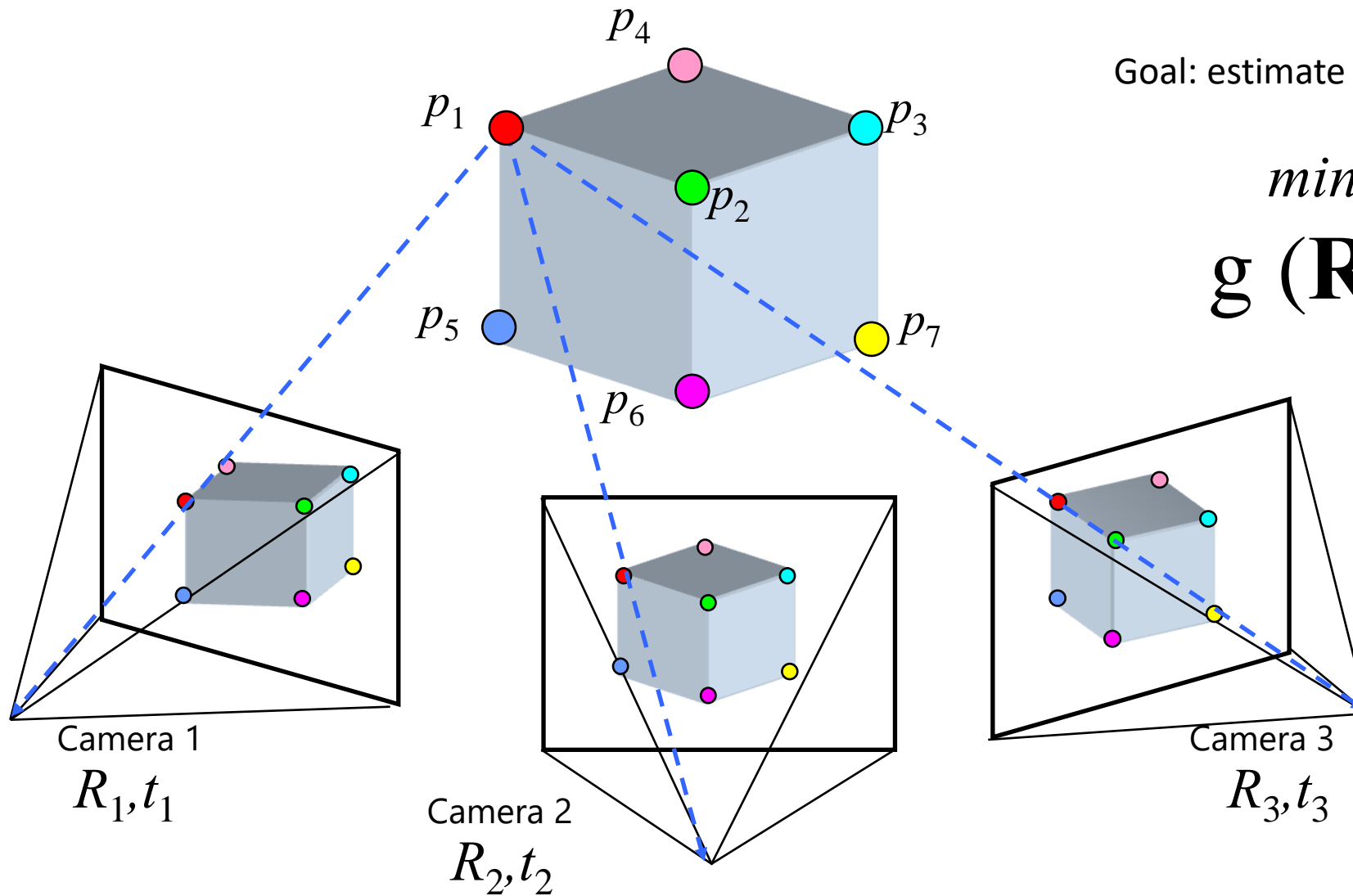
What if unknown camera pose?

# Structure from Motion

- Input
  - A set of images from different views
- Output
  - 3D Locations of all feature points in a world frame
  - Camera poses of the images



# Structure from motion



Goal: estimate  $\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{T}, \mathbf{P}$

*minimize*

$g(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{T}, \mathbf{P})$

# Structure from Motion

- Minimize sum of squared reprojection errors

$$g(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{T}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} \cdot \left\| \underbrace{\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j)}_{\text{predicted image location}} - \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_{i,j} \\ v_{i,j} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{observed image location}} \right\|^2$$

m points, n images

*Indicator variable:*

is point i visible in image j?

Projection

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t}$$

$$u' = f_x \frac{x'}{z'} + p_x$$

$$v' = f_y \frac{y'}{z'} + p_y$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u' \\ v' \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{t})$$

# Structure from Motion

- How to minimize

$$g(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{T}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} \cdot \left\| \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j) - \begin{bmatrix} u_{i,j} \\ v_{i,j} \end{bmatrix} \right\|^2$$

- A non-linear least squares problem (why?)
  - E.g. Levenberg-Marquardt



# The Levenberg-Marquardt Algorithm

- Nonlinear least squares  $\hat{\beta} \in \operatorname{argmin}_{\beta} S(\beta) \equiv \operatorname{argmin}_{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^m [y_i - f(x_i, \beta)]^2$   
 $n \times 1$

- An iterative algorithm

- Start with an initial guess  $\beta_0$
- For each iteration  $\beta \leftarrow \beta + \delta$

- How to get  $\delta$ ?

- Linear approximation  $f(x_i, \beta + \delta) \approx f(x_i, \beta) + \mathbf{J}_i \delta$ .  $\mathbf{J}_i = \frac{\partial f(x_i, \beta)}{\partial \beta}$   $1 \times n$

- Find  $\delta$  to minimize the objective  $S(\beta + \delta) \approx \sum_{i=1}^m [y_i - f(x_i, \beta) - \mathbf{J}_i \delta]^2$

Best to minimize the objective

Wikipedia

# The Levenberg-Marquardt Algorithm

- Vector notation for  $S(\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\delta}) \approx \sum_{i=1}^m [y_i - f(x_i, \boldsymbol{\beta}) - \mathbf{J}_i \boldsymbol{\delta}]^2$

$$\begin{aligned} S(\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\delta}) &\approx \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) - \mathbf{J}\boldsymbol{\delta}\|^2 \\ &= [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) - \mathbf{J}\boldsymbol{\delta}]^T [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) - \mathbf{J}\boldsymbol{\delta}] \\ &= [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta})]^T [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta})] - [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta})]^T \mathbf{J}\boldsymbol{\delta} - (\mathbf{J}\boldsymbol{\delta})^T [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta})] + \boldsymbol{\delta}^T \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J}\boldsymbol{\delta} \\ &= [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta})]^T [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta})] - 2[\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta})]^T \mathbf{J}\boldsymbol{\delta} + \boldsymbol{\delta}^T \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J}\boldsymbol{\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

Take derivation with respect to  $\boldsymbol{\delta}$  and set to zero  $(\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J}) \boldsymbol{\delta} = \mathbf{J}^T [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta})]$

<https://www.cs.ubc.ca/~schmidtm/Courses/340-F16/linearQuadraticGradients.pdf>

Levenberg's contribution  $(\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} + \lambda \mathbf{I}) \boldsymbol{\delta} = \mathbf{J}^T [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\beta})]$  damped version

$$\boldsymbol{\beta} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\delta}$$

Wikipedia

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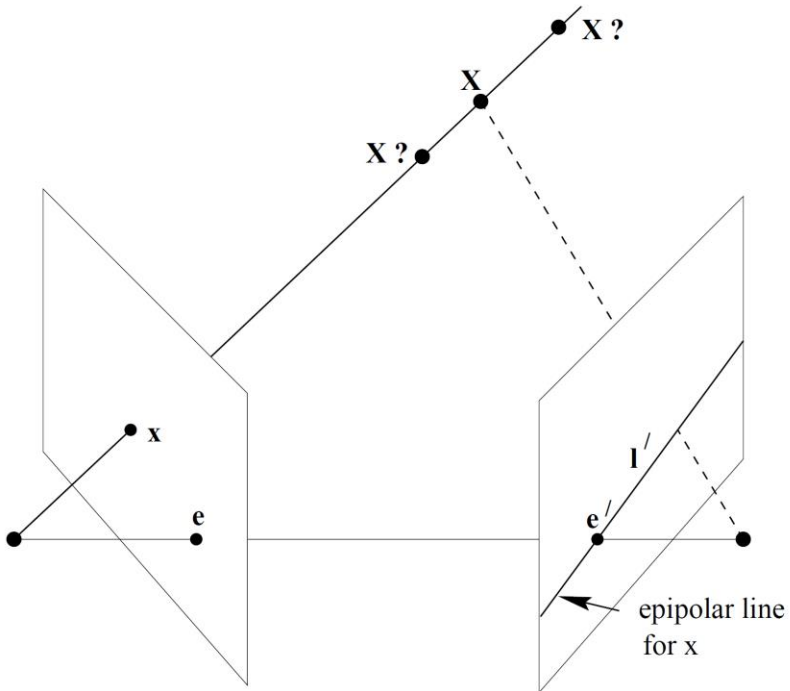
$$\beta = (\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{T})$$

How to get the initial estimation  $\beta_0$  ?

Random guess is not a good idea.

# Matching Two Views

- Fundamental matrix



$\mathbf{x}'$  is on the epipolar line  $\mathbf{l}' = F\mathbf{x}$

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

The 8-point algorithm

# Further Reading

- Chapter 11, Computer Vision, Richard Szeliski
- Build Rome in One Day <https://grail.cs.washington.edu/rome/>
- Structure from Motion Revisited <https://colmap.github.io/index.html>