

## COSC470 Cameras and Transforms

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## Vector and Matrix Review

- A vector is a 1D array of numbers

$$\mathbf{u} = [1 \ 2 \ 3]^T$$

- A matrix is a 2D array of numbers

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Element-wise addition and subtraction, and scalar multiplication if same size

$$2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Matrix Multiplication

- Multiplication is a little more complex
- If matrix size is (rows  $\times$  columns) need inner dimensions to agree, outer dimensions give the size of the result

$$\frac{\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g & h \\ i & j \\ k & l \end{bmatrix}}{(2 \times 3) \times (3 \times 2) = (2 \times 2)} \quad \frac{\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g & h \\ i & j \end{bmatrix}}{(2 \times 3) \times (2 \times 2) \text{Not OK}}$$

- Treat vectors as  $n \times 1$  (column) matrices

## Multiplying Vectors

- Inner (dot) and outer product as matrices

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = [a \ b \ c] \begin{bmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} [d \ e \ f]$$

- Cross product of 3D vectors

$$\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} bf - ce \\ cd - af \\ ae - bd \end{bmatrix}$$

## Transformations in 2D

- Scaling

$$s\mathbf{v} = s \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} sx \\ sy \end{bmatrix}$$

- Translation

$$\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x + t_x \\ y + t_y \end{bmatrix}$$

- Rotation

$$R\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

## Homogeneous Co-ordinates

- Using different methods makes combining transformations difficult
- Homogeneous co-ordinates make this easier by viewing a 2D point as a set of 3D points

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \equiv k \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, k \neq 0$$

- All operations now become matrix multiply

## Homogeneous Transformations

- Scaling:
 
$$Sv = \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
- Translation:
 
$$Tv = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
- Rotation
 
$$Rv = \begin{bmatrix} c & -s & 0 \\ s & c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 where
 
$$c = \cos(\theta)$$

$$s = \sin(\theta)$$
- Can now combine operations easily

## Hierarchy of Transforms – 2D

- Translation ( $x' = x + t$ ), 2 degrees of freedom
  - Orientation, length, angles, parallelism, and straight lines preserved
- Rigid/Euclidean ( $x' = Rx + t$ ), 3 DoF
  - Orientation no longer preserved
- Similarity ( $x' = sRx + t$ ), 4 DoF
  - Length no longer preserved

## Hierarchy of Transforms – 2D

- Affine transform ( $x' = Ax + t$ ), 6 DoF
  - Angles no longer preserved
- Perspective transform/Homography ( $x' = Hx$ )
  - Uses homogenous co-ordinates
  - 8 degrees of freedom
  - Only straight lines preserved

## Transformations in 3D

- Scaling, Translation

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Rotation about each axis

$$R_x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c & -s & 0 \\ 0 & s & c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, R_y = \begin{bmatrix} c & 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -s & 0 & c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, R_z = \begin{bmatrix} c & -s & 0 & 0 \\ s & c & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 3D Rotations

- The three axis-based matrices may be combined, giving a 3x3 rotation matrix
  - This has 9 elements, but only 3 degrees of freedom – not always ideal
- Quaternions are often used in graphics
- We'll use axis-angle representation
  - Rotation by some angle around some angle
  - If use normalised axis, can represent with 3 values

## 3D-2D Projection

- A camera takes 3D points to 2D points
- This is represented as a projection matrix

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \equiv k \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = PX$$

- This represents a camera with unit focal length, at the origin, looking along +z

## Pinhole Camera Model

- A more general model is  

$$x = PX = K[R|t]X = KR[I|-C]X$$
- $R$  and  $t$  give the orientation and translation from camera and world co-ordinates

- $K$  is a calibration matrix, often of the form

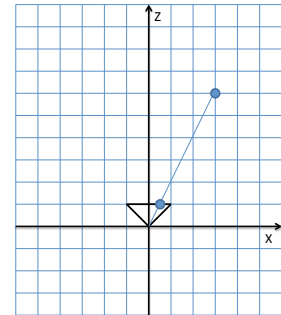
$$K = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & f & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $f$  is the focal length and  $(c_x, c_y)$  is the optical centre of the image

## Camera Example

- We'll work in the X-Z plane, so  $y = 0$  always
- Basic camera projecting point  $[3, 0, 6]^T$

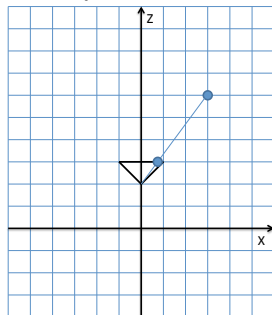
$$k \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Camera Example

- Translate camera to  
 $C = [0, 0, 2]^T$

$$k \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



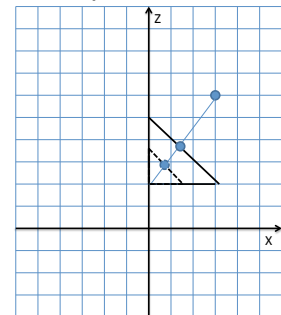
## Camera Example

- Rotate camera about Y  
by 45 degrees

$$R_y(45) = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Focal length of 2 units

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Camera Calibration

- Calibration is the process of estimating a camera's parameters
- Intrinsic parameters
  - Calibration matrix – focal length, optical centre
  - Lens distortion – radial model  $k_1r^2 + k_2r^4 + k_3r^6 + \dots$
- Extrinsic parameters
  - Location and orientation of the camera

## The Eigen Matrix Library

- A C++ library for linear algebra
- Makes heavy use of templates:  
`Eigen::Matrix<double, 3, 4> P;`
- Header-only library – nothing to link to
- Has various sub-libraries
  - Eigenvectors and matrix decompositions
  - Geometry (Rotations, etc.)