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CPSC 425: Computer Vision



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Lecture 2: Image Formation

Menu for Today (September 7, 2018)

Updates:

- Canvas should now be working now
- I will **not** be distributing slides before the class
- Office hours for myself and TAs will be posted by **Monday**
- Assignment 0 clarification

Reminders:

- WWW: assignments, lecture notes, readings
- **Piazza**: discussion (lecture notes and assignment will also be posted here)
- Canvas: assignment hand in and grading





Menu for Today (September 7, 2018)

Topics:

- Image Formation
- Cameras and Lenses

Redings:

- Today's Lecture: Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) 1.1.1 - 1.1.3- Next Lecture: Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) 4.1, 4.5

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- Complete Assignment 0 (ungraded) by Wednsday, September 12
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- Projection - Human eye (as camera)



Today's "fun" Example



Photo credit: reddit user Liammm



Today's "fun" Example: Eye Sink Illusion





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"Tried taking a picture of a sink draining, wound up with a picture of an eye instead" Photo credit: reddit user Liammm



Lecture 1: Re-cap

Types of computer vision **problems**:

- Recognition of objects and scenes (*perception and interpretation*)
- Search and interact with visual data (search and organization)

Computer vision challenges:

- Fundamentally ill-posed
- Enormous computation and scale
- Lack of fundamental understanding of how human perception works

— Computing properties of the 3D world from visual data (*measurement*) — Manipulation or creation of image or video content (*visual imagination*)

Lecture 1: Re-cap

Computer vision technologies have moved from research labs into commercial products and services. Examples cited include:

- broadcast television sports
- electronic games (Microsoft Kinect)
- biometrics
- image search
- visual special effects
- medical imaging
- robotics
- ... many others

Lecture 2: Goal

To understand how images are formed

Overview: Image Formation, Cameras and Lenses

source

The image formation process that produces a particular image depends on

- Lightening condition
- Scene geometry
- Surface properties
- Camera optics

Sensor (or eye) captures amount of light reflected from the object









Surface reflection depends on both the viewing (θ_v, ϕ_v) and illumination (θ_i, ϕ_i) direction, with Bidirectional Reflection Distribution Function: **BRDF** $(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_v, \phi_v)$

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Mirror surface: all incident light reflected in one directions $(\theta_v, \phi_v) = (\theta_r, \phi_r)$

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Let's say we have a sensor ...

digital sensor (CCD or CMOS)

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... and the **object** we would like to photograph



real-world object

What would an image taken like this look like?

digital sensor (CCD or CMOS)



real-world object







real-world object



digital sensor (CCD or CMOS)



real-world object



digital sensor (CCD or CMOS)



All scene points contribute to all sensor pixels

real-world object









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What would an image taken like this look like?

barrier (diaphragm)







real-world object



most rays are blocked







Each scene point contributes to only one sensor pixel



Camera Obscura (latin for "dark chamber")

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Reinerus Gemma-Frisius observed an eclipse of the sun at Louvain on January 24, 1544. He used this illustration in his book, "De Radio Astronomica et Geometrica," 1545. It is thought to be the first published illustration of a camera obscura.



principles behind the pinhole camera or camera obscura were first mentioned by Chinese philosopher Mozi (Mo-Ti) (470 to 390 BCE)



Credit: John H., Hammond, "Th Camera Obscure, A Chronicle"



First Photograph on Record

La table servie



Credit: Nicéphore Niepce, 1822

A pinhole camera is a box with a small hall (aperture) in it



Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) Figure 1.2

Image Formation



Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) Figure 1.1

Credit: US Navy, Basic Optics and Optical Instruments. Dover, 1969

Accidental Pinhole Camera







Pinhole Camera (Simplified)

f' is the **focal length** of the camera



Note: In a pinhole camera we can adjust the focal length, all this will do is change the size of the resulting image







Pinhole Camera (Simplified)

It is convenient to think of the **image plane** which is in from of the pinhole



What happens if object moves towards the camera? Away from the camera?

Perspective Effects

Far objects appear smaller than close ones



Size is **inversely** proportions to distance

Forsyth & Ponce (1st ed.) Figure 1.3a

Perspective Effects

Parallel lines meet at a point (vanishing point)



Forsyth & Ponce (1st ed.) Figure 1.3b

Draw a horizon line.

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- Each set of parallel lines meet at a different point
- the point is called **vanishing point**

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Good way to **spot fake images** scale and perspective do not work vanishing points behave badly









Perspective Aside





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- Points project to points
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- Planes project to the whole or half image
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Degenerate cases

- Line through focal point projects to a point
- Plane through focal point projects to a line

Projection Illusion





Perspective Projection



3D object point

 $P = \left| \begin{array}{c} x \\ y \\ z \end{array} \right| \text{ projects to 2D image point } P' = \left[\begin{array}{c} x' \\ y' \end{array} \right] \text{ where }$

Note: this assumes world coordinate frame at the optical center (pinhole) and aligned with the image plane, image coordinate frame aligned with the camera coordinate frame

Forsyth & Ponce (1st ed.) Figure 1.4





Perspective Projection: Proof



3D object point Forsyth & Ponce (1st ed.) Figure 1.4 For syth & Ponce (1st ed.) Figure 1.4 $P = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \text{ projects to 2D image point } P' = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } \begin{cases} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = f' \frac{x}{z}$

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Camera Matrix

where
$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 where $P' = \mathbf{C}P$





Weak Perspective



Forsyth & Ponce (1st ed.) Figure 1.5

3D object point
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$
 in Π_0

where



Orthographic Projection



3D object point
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$
 projects to 2D image point $P' = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix}$

where

Forsyth & Ponce (1st ed.) Figure 1.6

Summary of **Projection Equations**

Perspective

Weak Perspective

Orthographic

3D object point $P = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ projects to 2D image point $P' = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix}$ where

$$x' = f' \frac{x}{z}$$

$$y' = f' \frac{y}{z}$$

$$x' = mx$$

$$m = \frac{f'}{z_0}$$

$$y' = my$$

$$x' = x$$

$$y' = y$$

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