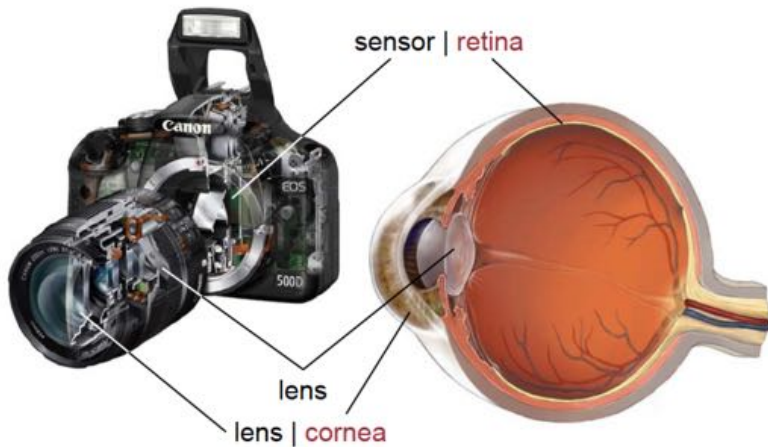# Camera Models

Textbook

- If you are interested, this book has it all:

> A. Zisserman and R. Hartley
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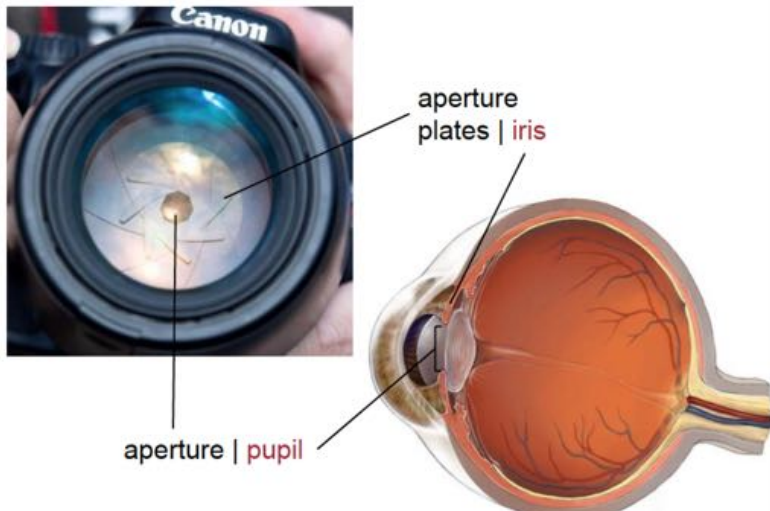> Cambridge University Press, 2003

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lens

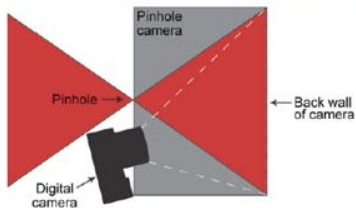lens | cornea

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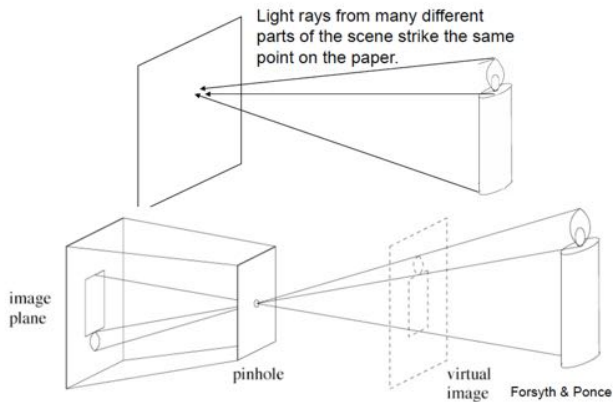# Camera

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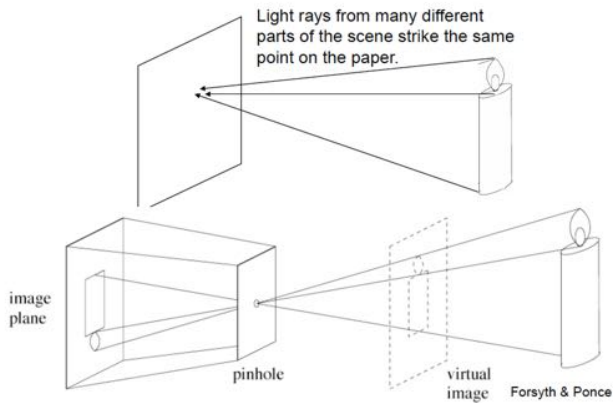[Source: A. Torralba]

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Light rays from many different parts of the scene strike the same point on the paper.

image plane

pinhole

virtual image

Forsyth & Ponce

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Pinhole Camera

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(A) Source
Pinhole
Image

(B) Source
Reduced
pinhole
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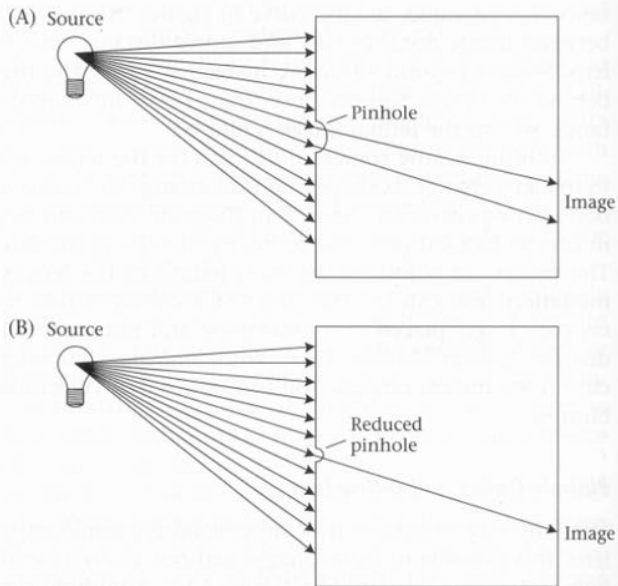
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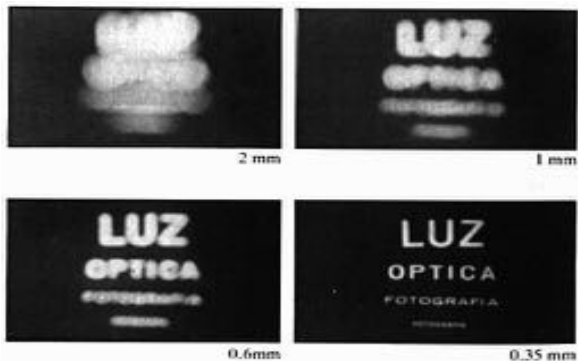
Why not make the aperture as small as possible?

- Less light gets through
- Diffraction effects...

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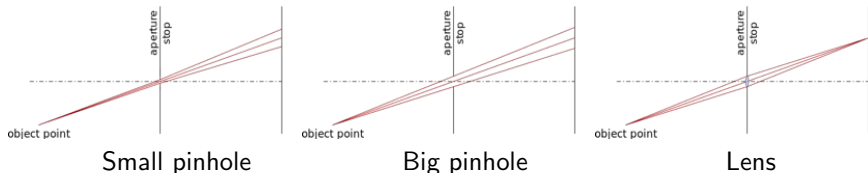
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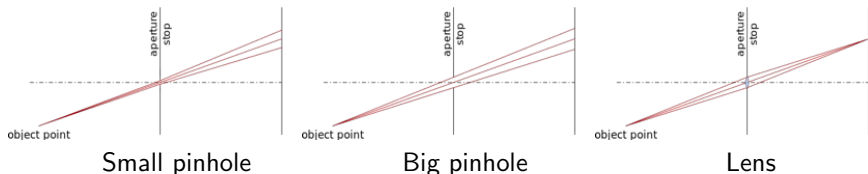# Adding a Lens

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Imaging

- Images are 2D projections of real world scene

- Images capture two kinds of information:
    - Geometric: positions, points, lines, curves, etc.
    - Photometric: intensity, color

- Complex 3D-2D relationships

- Camera models approximate these relationships

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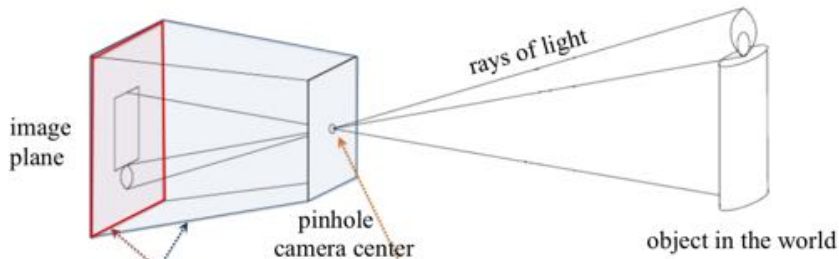
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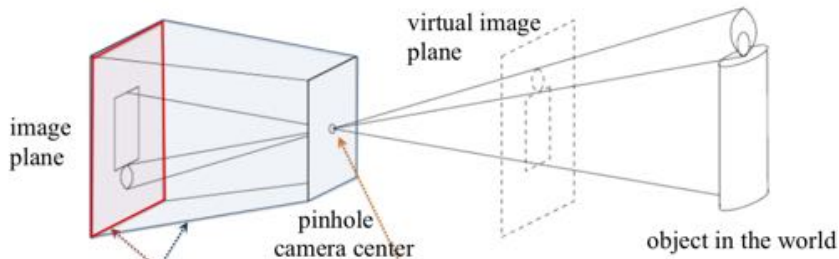
virtual image

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virtual image plane

image plane

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object in the world

same distance from camera
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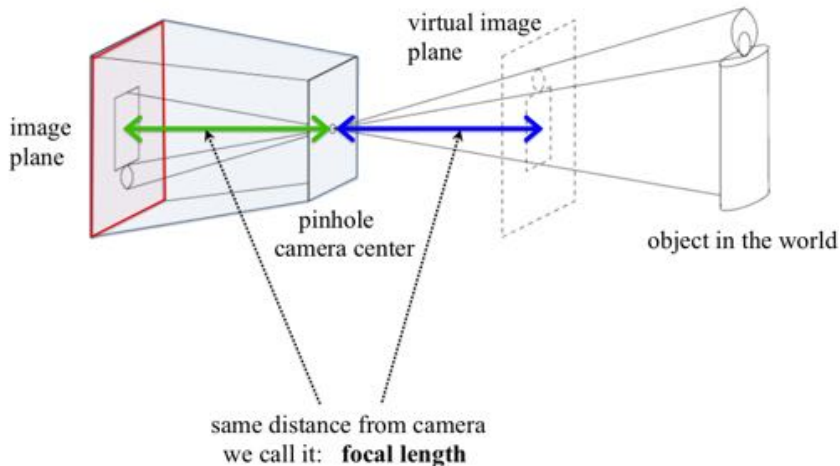
Focal Length

- Can be thought of as **zoom**
- Related to the **field of view**

24mm

50mm

200mm
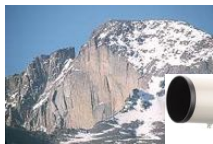
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Figure: Image from N. Snavely

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- Since it's easier to think in a non-upsidedown world, we will work with the virtual image plane, and just call it the image plane.

- How do points in 3D project to image plane? If I know a point in 3D, can I compute to which pixel it projects?

Modeling Projection

camera center
(optical center)

object in the world

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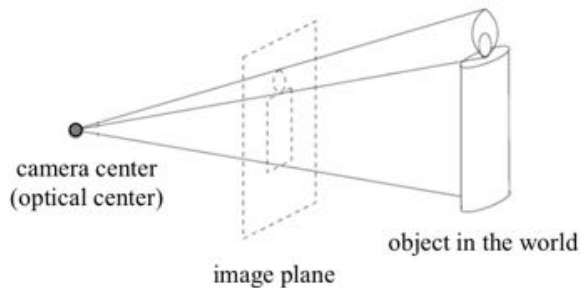
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- To start with, we need a coordinate system

Modeling Projection

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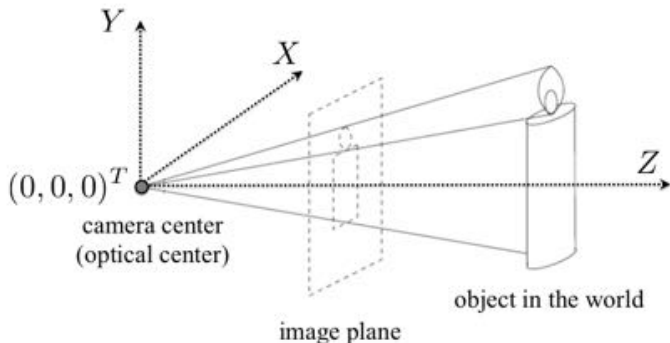
- We place a coordinate system relative to camera: **optical center** or **camera center C** is thus at origin $(0, 0, 0)$.

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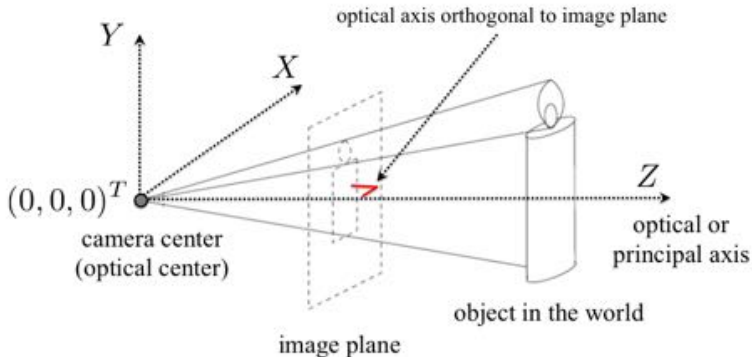
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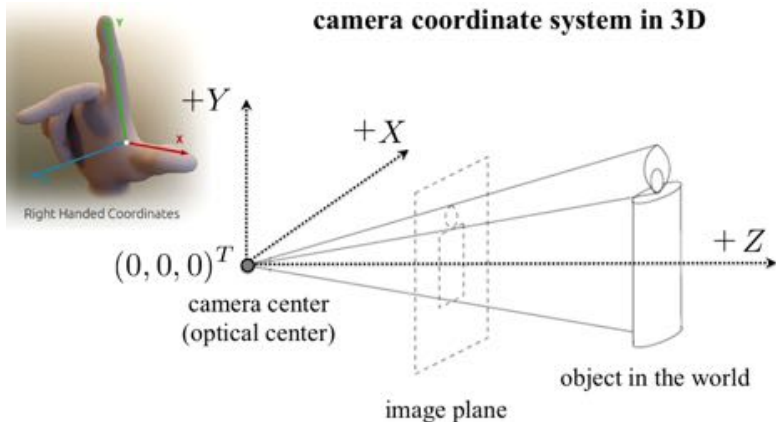
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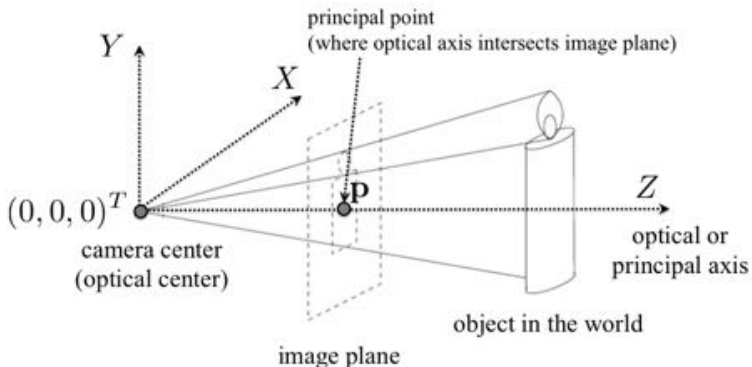
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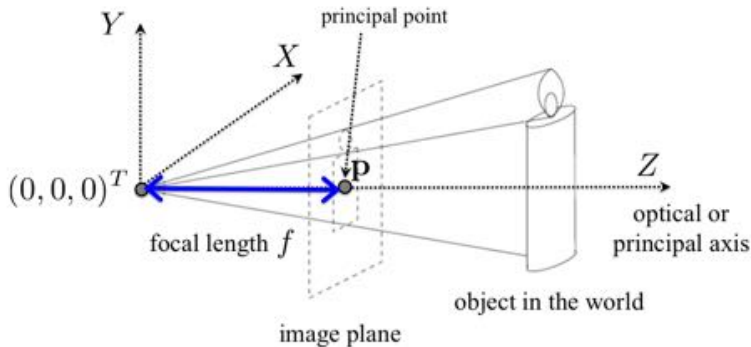
- The distance from the camera center to the principal point is called **focal length**, we will denote it with f. It's worth to remember the focal length since it will appear again later in the math.

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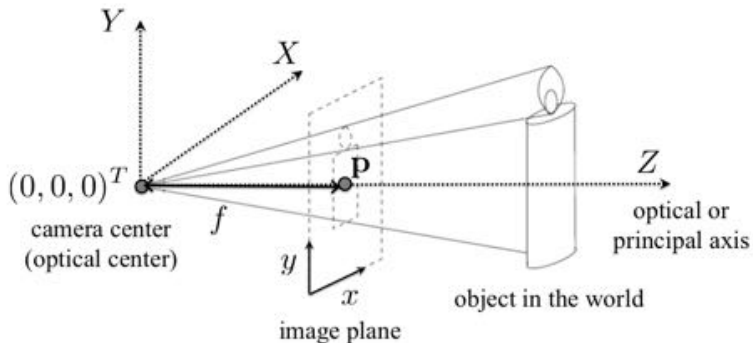
- We'll denote the image axes with x and y. An image we see is of course represented with these axes. We'll call this an **image coordinate system**.
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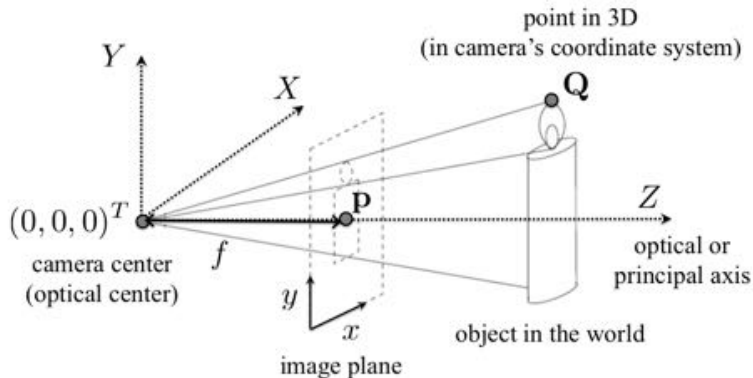
- Let's take some point **Q** in 3D. **Q** "lives" relative to the camera; its coordinates are assumed to be in camera's coordinate system.

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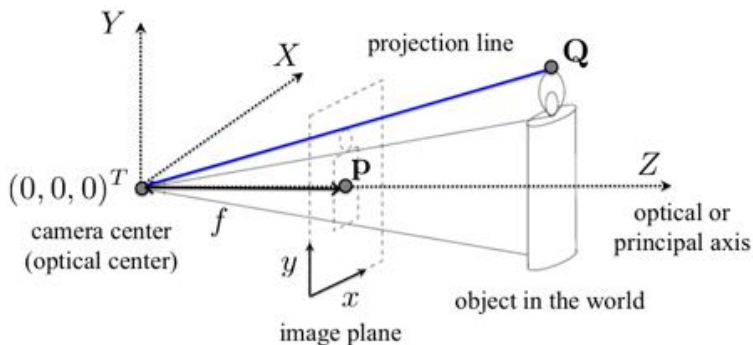
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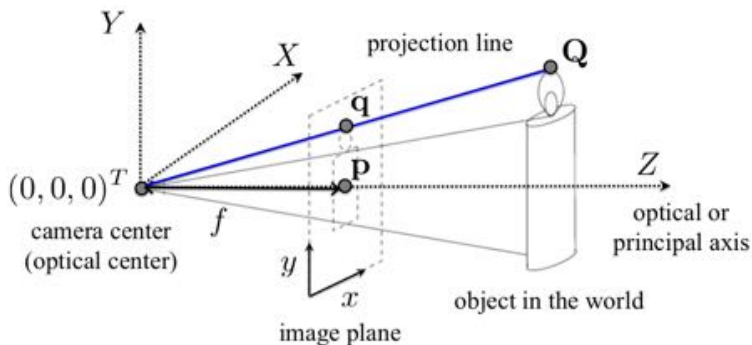
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Modeling Projection

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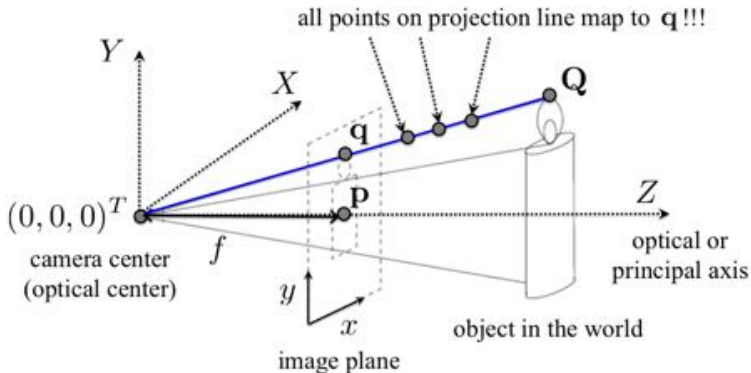
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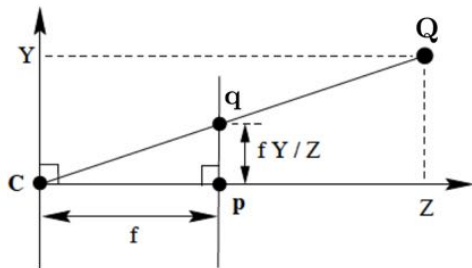
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Homogeneous coordinates to the rescue!

$$(x, y) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad\qquad (x, y, z) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

homogeneous image
coordinates

homogeneous scene
coordinates

Converting *from* homogeneous coordinates

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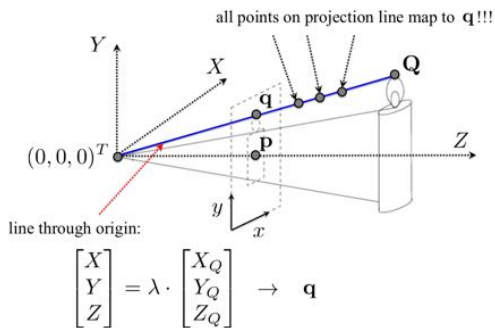
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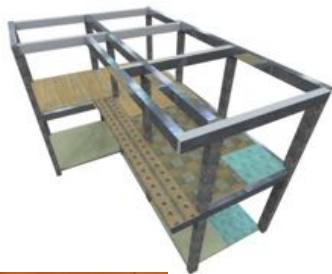- It can be a little more complicated. Pixels may not be square:

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- And there might be a skew angle θ between x and y image axis:

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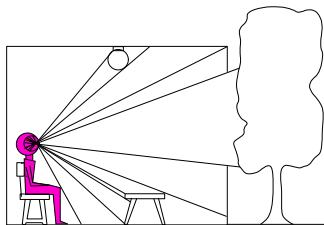
[Source: Zisserman & Hartley]

Perspective Projection

[Source: N. Snavely]

Dimensionality Reduction Machine (3D to 2D)

3D world

2D image

Point of observation

What have we lost?

- Angles
- Distances (lengths)

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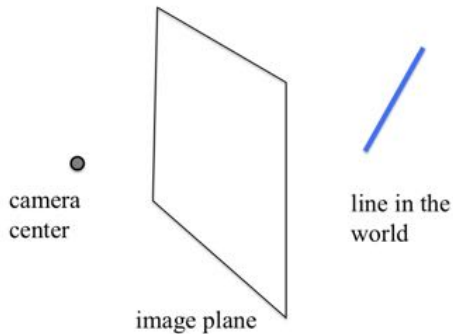- Lines $\rightarrow$ lines. Why?

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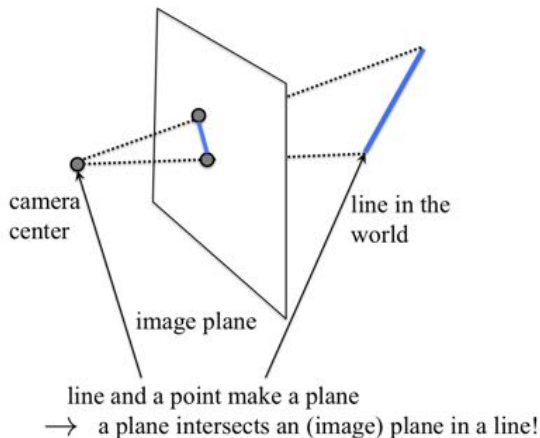

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camera center

line in the world

image plane

line and a point make a plane
$\longrightarrow$ a plane intersects an (image) plane in a line!

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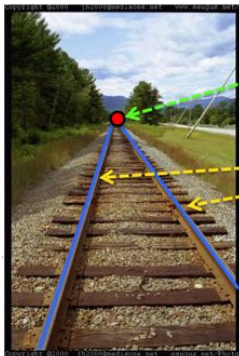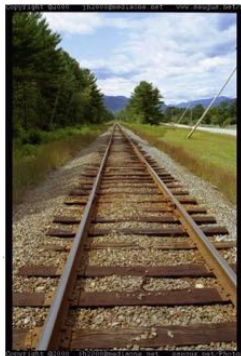
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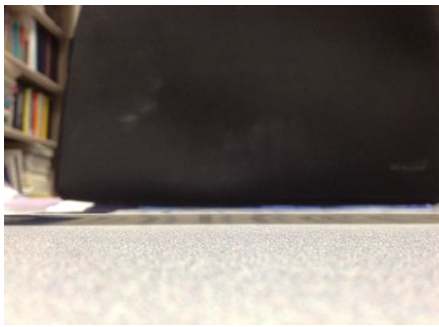
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[Adopted from: N. Snavely, R. Urtasun]

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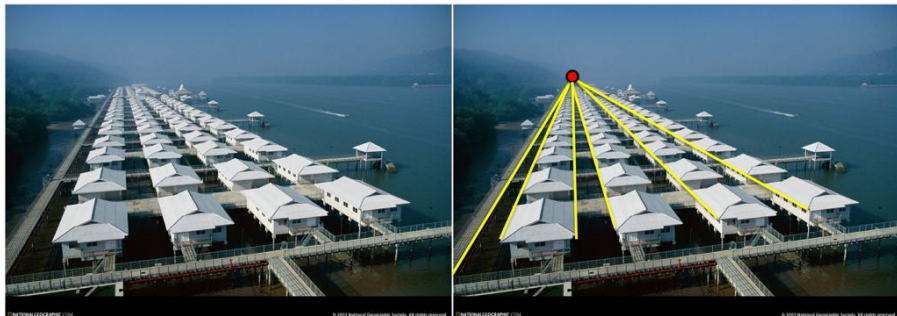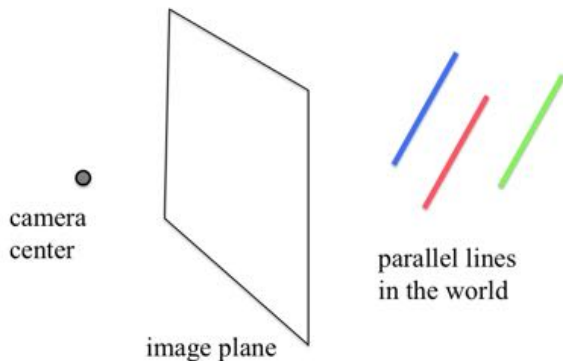- Each different direction in the world **has its own vanishing point**
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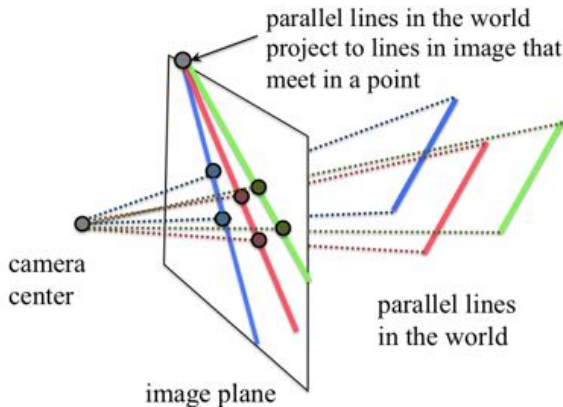

[Pic: R. Szeliski]

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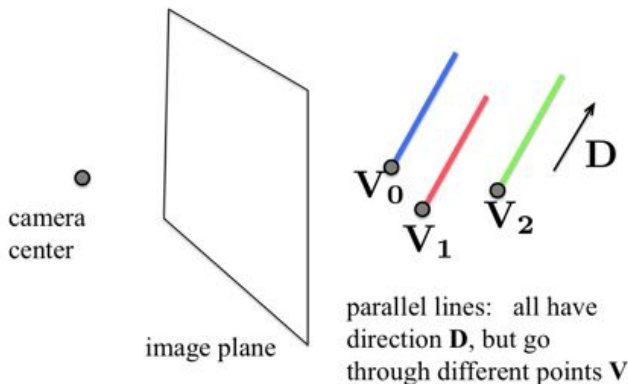
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parallel lines in the world project to lines in image that meet in a point

camera center

parallel lines in the world

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- This doesn't depend on **V**! So all lines with direction **D** go to this point!

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- The easiest way to find this point: Translate line with direction **D** to the camera center. This line intersects the image plane in the vanishing point corresponding to direction **D**! Why?
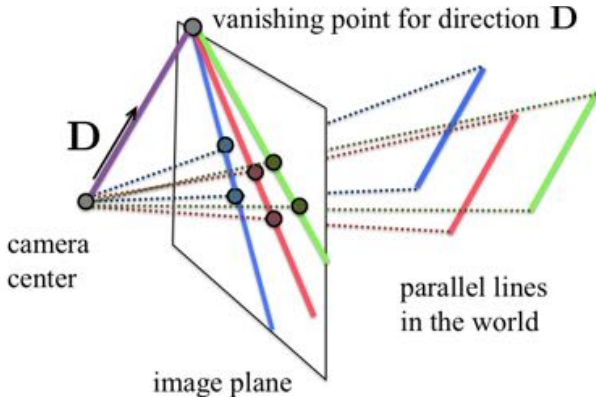
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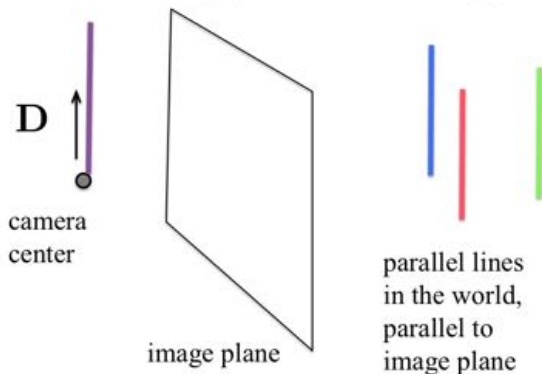

In 3D: parallel to image plane
In 2D: parallel (no VP)

Projection Properties: Cool Facts

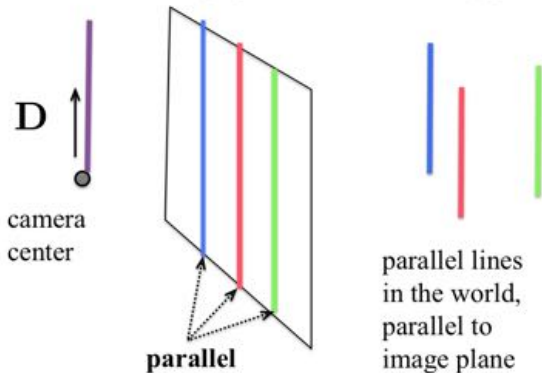- Lines parallel to image plane are also parallel in the image. We say that they intersect at infinity.

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- This picture has been recorded from a car with a camera on top. We know the camera intrinsic matrix K.

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- How?

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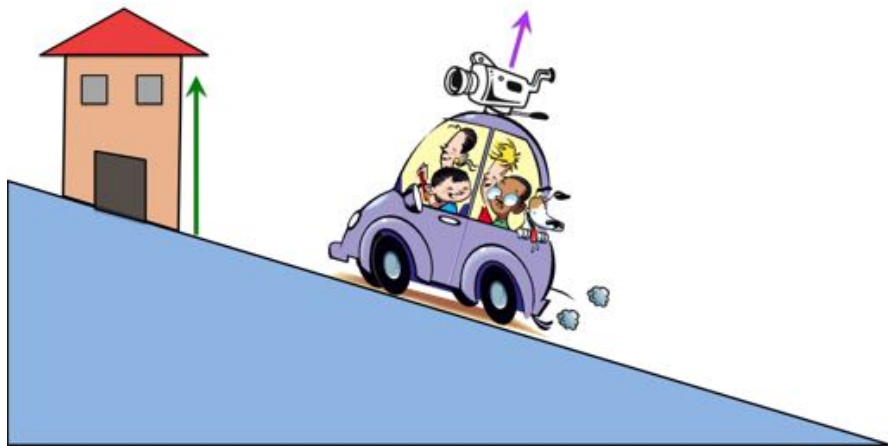

Figure: This is the 3D world behind the picture.

Projection Properties: Cool Tricks

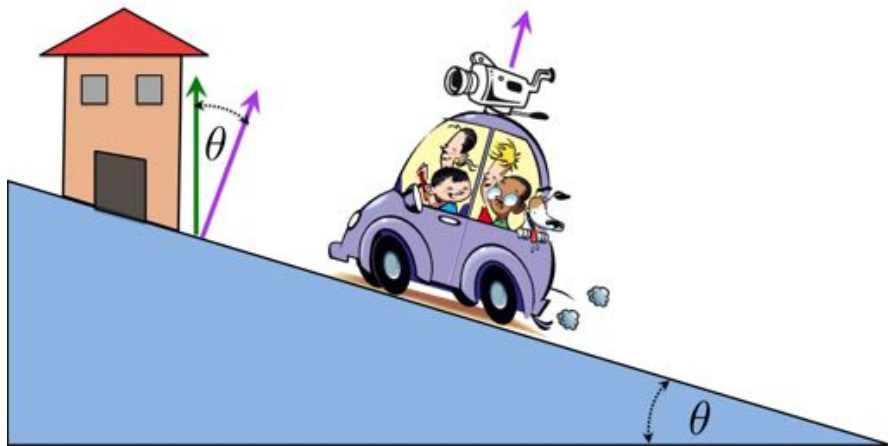- Can we tell the incline of the hill we are driving on?

Figure: If we compute the 3D direction of the house's vertical lines relative to camera, we have the incline! How can we do that?

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Figure: Extract "vertical" lines and compute vanishing point. How can we compute direction in 3D from vanishing point (if we have K)?

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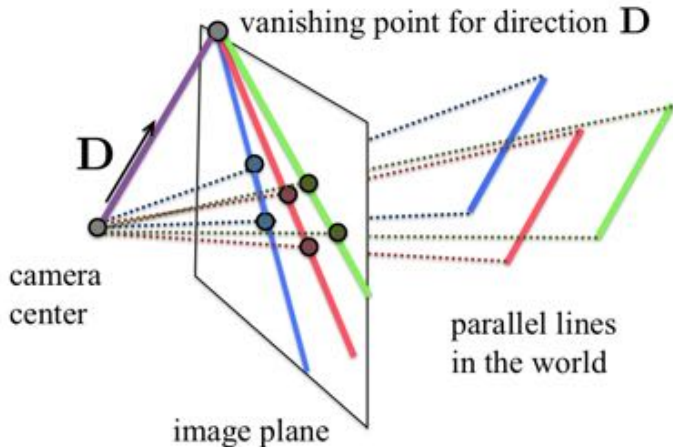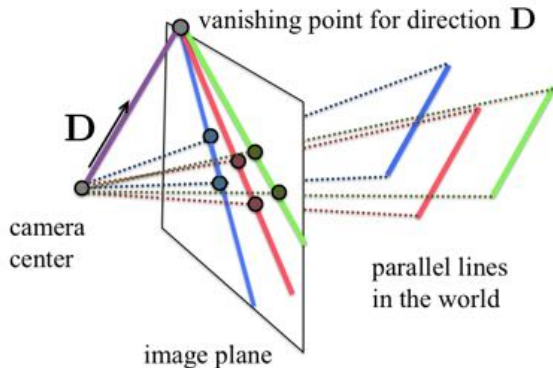- Can we tell the incline of the hill we are driving on?

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Figure: This picture should help.

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- We have:

$$\begin{bmatrix} w \cdot vp_x \\ w \cdot vp_y \\ w \end{bmatrix} = K\mathbf{D} \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathbf{D} = wK^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} vp_x \\ vp_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{normalize } \mathbf{D} \text{ to norm 1}$$

Vanishing Points Can be Deceiving

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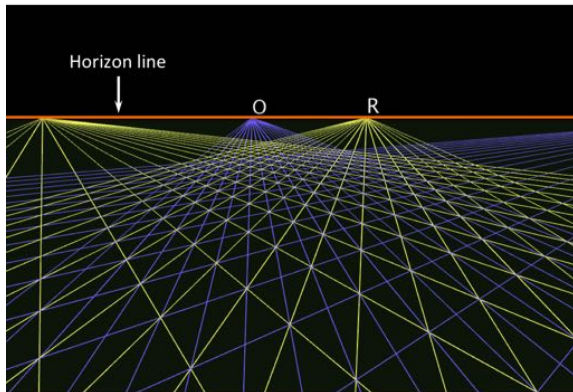- But intersecting lines in 2D are not necessary parallel in 3D.

[Source: A. Jepson]

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http://4.bp.blogspot.com/-0Jm9d9j35Tc/T5ESbVpKl7I/AAAAAAAACEk/nVAiTxBuiyc/s1600/perspectiveGrid-01.png

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Punta Cana

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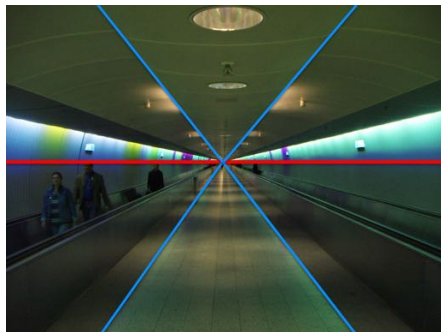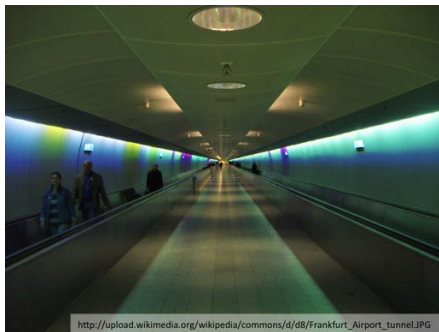
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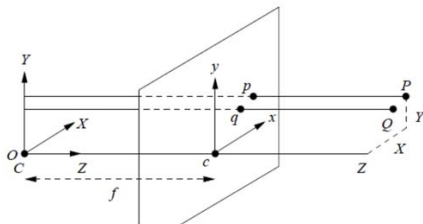
Projection Properties: Cool Facts

- This is only true when the camera (image plane) is orthogonal to the ground plane. And the ground plane is flat.

- A very nice explanation of this phenomena can be find by Derek Hoiem here: `https://courses.engr.illinois.edu/cs543/sp2011/materials/3dscene_book_svg.pdf`
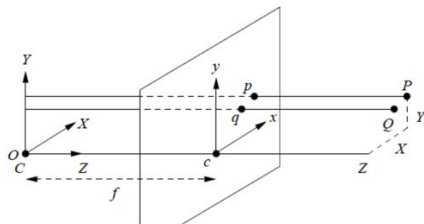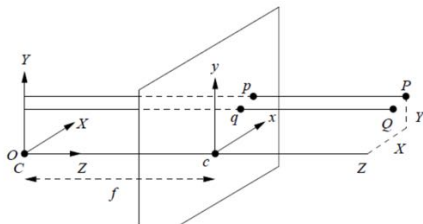
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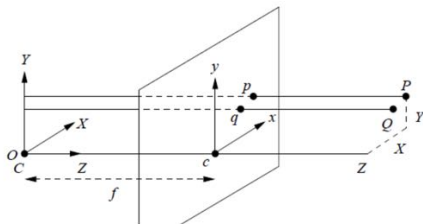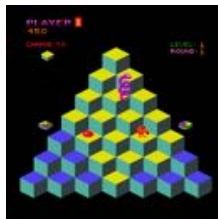
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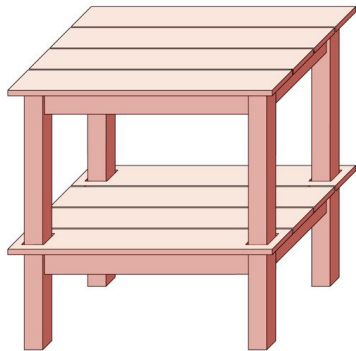
- Special case of perspective projection where the distance from the camera center to the image plane is infinity

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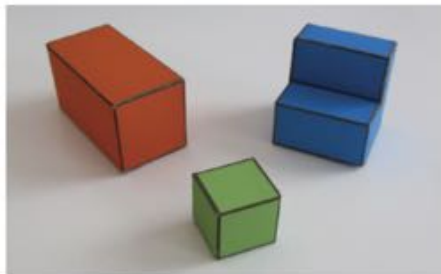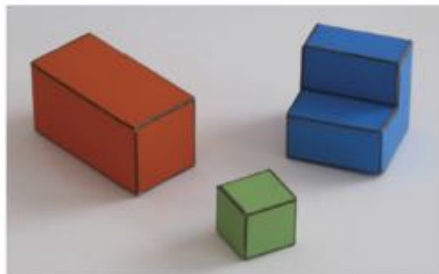
Perspective projection   Parallel (orthographic) projection

- For perspective projection lines parallel in 3D **are not** parallel in the image.
- For orthographic projection lines parallel in 3D **are** parallel in the image.

[Source: A. Torralba]

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Camera

"The World"
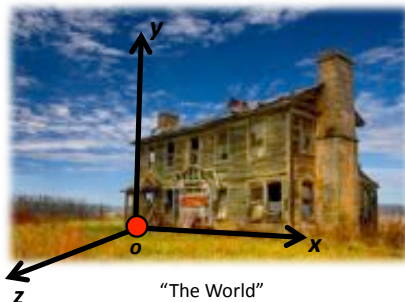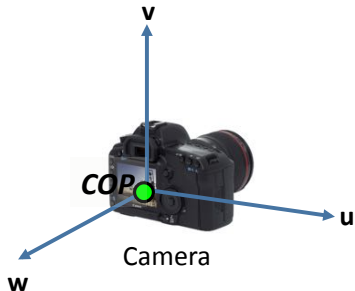
[Source: N. Snavely, slide credit: R. Urtasun]

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Figure: Imagine this is your room.

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Figure: When you were furnishing you measured everything in detail.

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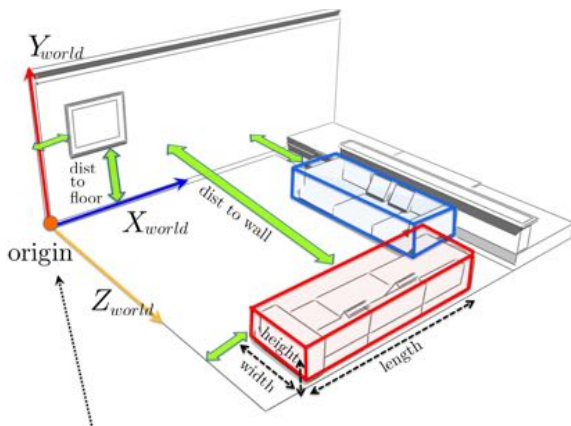
I measured everything in my room relative to this point

Figure: Thus you know all coordinates relative to a special point (origin) and coordinate system in the room. This is your **room's (world) coordinate system**.

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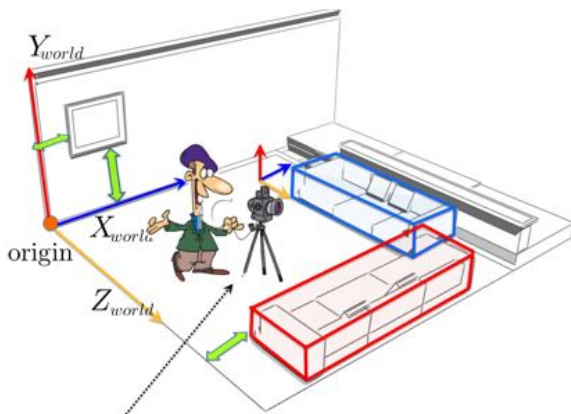
But to project my room to camera, I need to have the room in the camera coordinate system!

Figure: Now you take a picture and you wonder how points project to camera. In order to project, you need all points in **camera's coordinate system**.

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Figure: For e.g. self-driving cars, 3D points are typically measured with Velodyne.
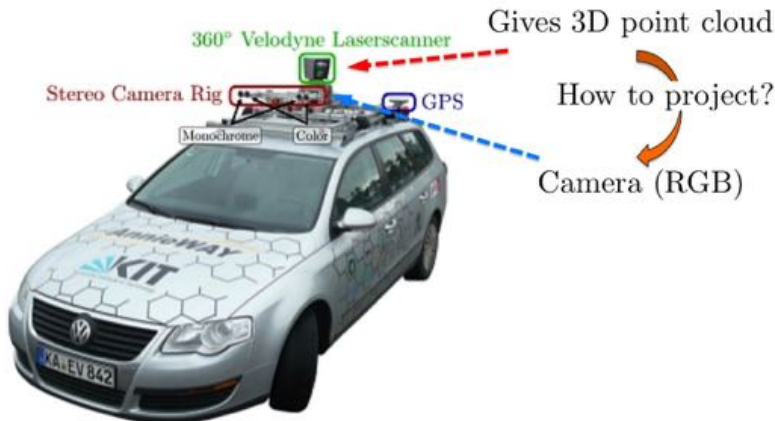
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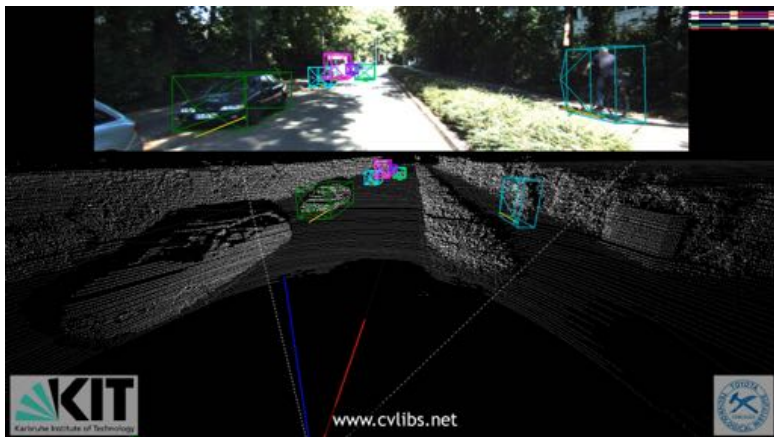
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- These can all be described with matrices!

[Source: N. Snavely, slide credit: R. Urtasun]

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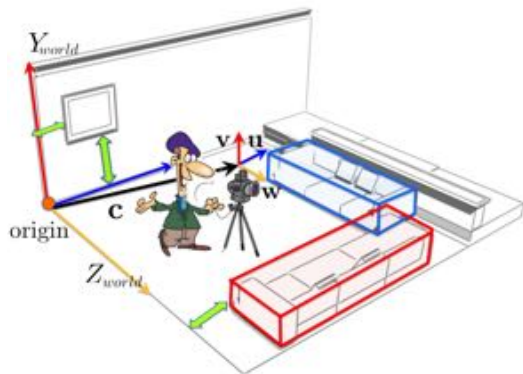
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Figure: We first need our camera position and orientation in the room's world.

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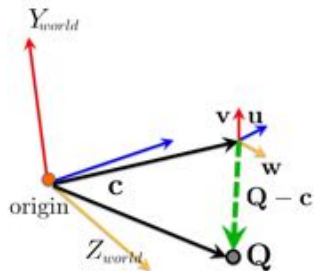
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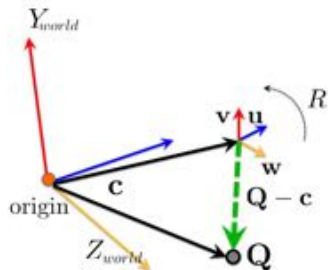
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$R \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} & \mathbf{v} & \mathbf{w} \end{bmatrix} = I$ (looking for rotation to canonical orientation)
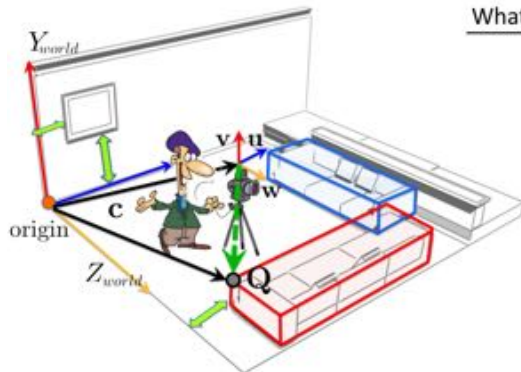
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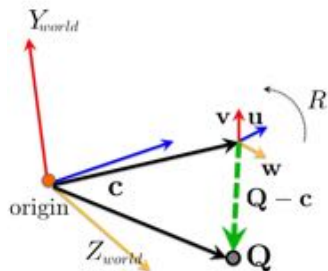$\mathbf{Q} - \mathbf{c}$ ... makes **position** relative to camera

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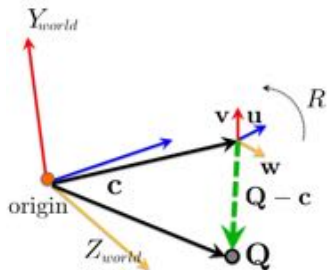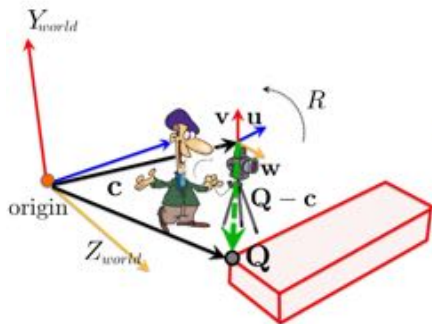
Figure: Final Transformation

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- To get a point $\mathbf{q}$ in the image plane, I need to compute $\mathbf{P}(X, Y, Z, 1)^T$, where $\mathbf{P}$ is a 3×4 matrix. This gives me a 3×1 vector. Now I divide all coordinates with the third coordinate (making the third coordinate equal to 1), and then drop the last coordinate. As simple as that.

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- This might look complicated. Truth is, in most cases you don't have $\mathbf{P}$ at all, so you can't really compute any projections. When you have a calibrated camera, then someone typically gives you $\mathbf{P}$. And then projection is easy.

A Short Note on Camera Calibration
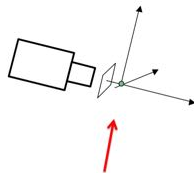
Detect corners in image and figure out which corner corresponds to which point in the 3D pattern.
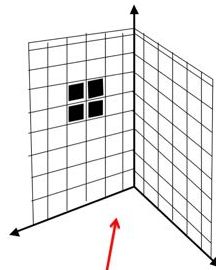
You measured all distances for this pattern.

The general procedure:

- Place a 3D pattern (for which you know all distances) in front of camera.
- Take a picture. Detect corners in image and find correspondences with the points in the pattern.
- Go to the internet and check out the math that tells you how to compute K from these 2D-3D correspondences. ;) We won't cover in class.

[Pic from: R. Duraiswami]

Camera Calibration: Interesting Fact

- Let's say you have an image but you don't know **anything** about the camera (for example, image downloaded from the web).

- For images where you see lines corresponding to 3 orthogonal directions, like cubes or rooms, you can compute the camera matrix K as well as R and t!
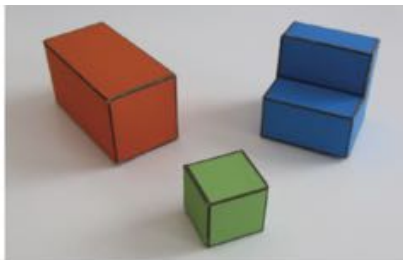
- How to do this is explained in the Zisserman & Hartley book.

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- For those interested, check out the math here:

> A. Criminisi, I. Reid, and A. Zisserman
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> http://www.cs.cmu.edu/ ph/869/papers/Criminisi99.pdf

K. Karsch, V. Hedau, D. Forsyth, D. Hoiem, Rendering synthetic objects into legacy photographs, SIGGRAPH'11

link to video

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- Is this useful? Maybe, to catch terrorists that record their videos outside.

Exercise (Not Very Easy, But Fun)

- We want to render (project) a 3D CAD model of a car to this image in a realistic way

- How?

Exercise

- First get a CAD model. There are tones of them, e.g. 3D Warehouse (free)

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- We downloaded this model. Now what?
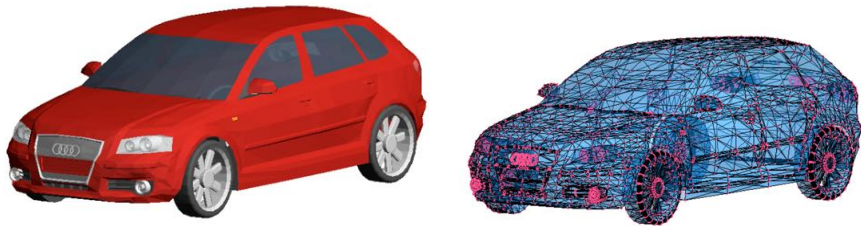
Figure: A CAD model is a collection of 3D vertices and faces that connect the vertices. Each face represents a small triangle. It typically has color.

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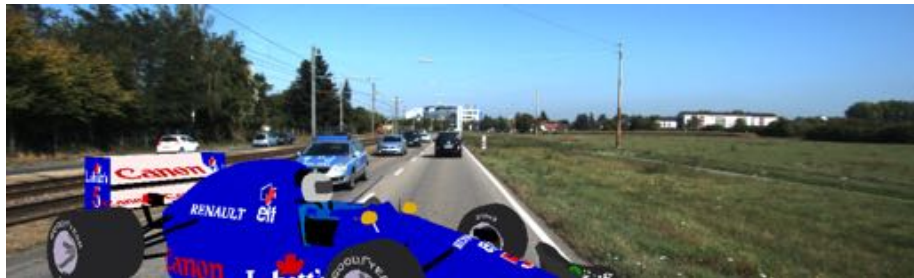
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- Can we use this in some more practical (useful) application?

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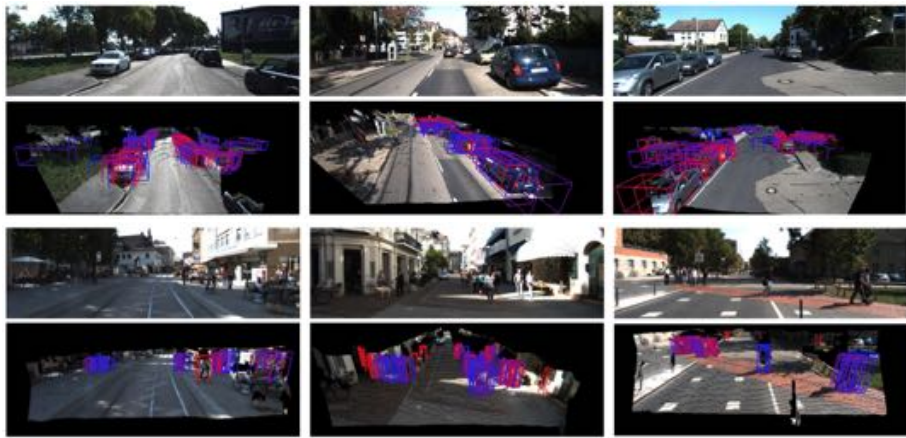|	Method	Setting	Code	Moderate	Easy	Hard	Runtime	Environment	Compare
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5	Regionlets			58.72 %	70.41 %	51.83 %	1 s	>8 cores @ 2.5 Ghz (C/C++)	☐
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6	MV-RGBD-RF	☐☐		42.61 %	52.97 %	37.42 %	4 s	4 cores @ 2.5 Ghz (C/C++)	☐
	A. Gonzalez, G. Villalonga, J. Xu, D. Vazquez, J. Amores and A. Lopez: Multiview Random Forest of Local Experts Combining RGB and LiDAR data for Pedestrian Detection. IEEE Intelligent Vehicles Symposium (IV) 2015.								

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A Little More on Camera Models