

Lab Assignment 1: Camera Calibration

1 *P*-Matrix Estimation Using Provided Code

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filename = rubiks.jpg
Click on the image to select 96 points and enter their 3D world coordinates.
Computed camera matrix P:
-9.0391e-02 -1.9850e-02 4.9319e-02 -7.8258e-01
 8.8371e-03 -2.6519e-03 1.0434e-01 -6.0464e-01
-1.8517e-05 2.5680e-05 2.7495e-05 -5.3967e-04
Intrinsic matrix K:
 2.0418e+03 1.7659e+02 1.4332e+03
           0 1.9977e+03 1.4999e+03
           0 0 1.0000e+00
Rotation matrix R:
-0.783587 -0.619216 0.050626
 0.437028 -0.491447 0.753317
-0.441586 0.612414 0.655706
Camera center (in world coordinates):
-7.0008
 8.8862
 6.6135
>> |
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Figure 1: Command window output showing the computed camera matrix P , the intrinsic matrix K , & the rotation matrix R

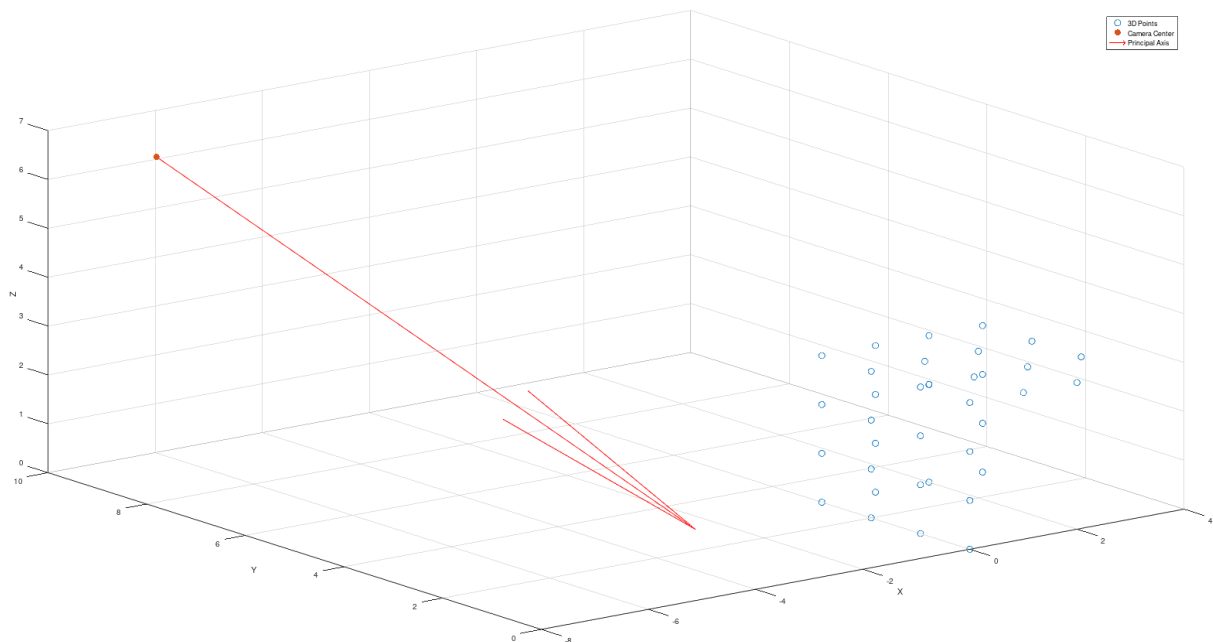


Figure 2: The 3D plot showing the camera center, the world points, & the principal axis

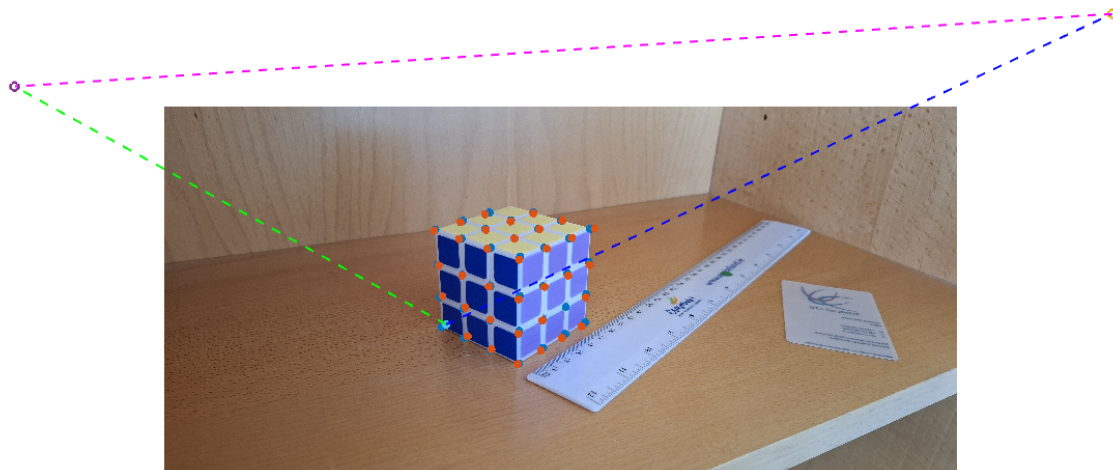


Figure 3: The image with projected 3D points & vanishing lines

2 Using Your Own Image from Your Camera for P -Matrix Estimation

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filename = rubiks2.jpg
Click on the image to select 96 points and enter their 3D world coordinates.
Computed camera matrix P:
  1.8945e-01  1.1664e-01  -1.8014e-02  4.7870e-01
 -2.9295e-02  2.7453e-02  -2.1148e-01  8.2139e-01
  4.4202e-05  -4.2414e-05  -1.8274e-05  1.0123e-03
Intrinsic matrix K:
  3.3684e+03  1.2432e+01  9.1910e+02
           0  3.3496e+03  3.4387e+02
           0           0  1.0000e+00
Rotation matrix R:
 -6.9190e-01  -7.2199e-01  2.1206e-03
  2.0779e-01  -1.9632e-01  9.5827e-01
 -6.9144e-01  6.6347e-01  2.8586e-01
Camera center (in world coordinates):
 -9.0327
 11.5926
 6.6402
>> |
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Figure 4: Command window output showing the computed camera matrix P , the intrinsic matrix K , & the rotation matrix R

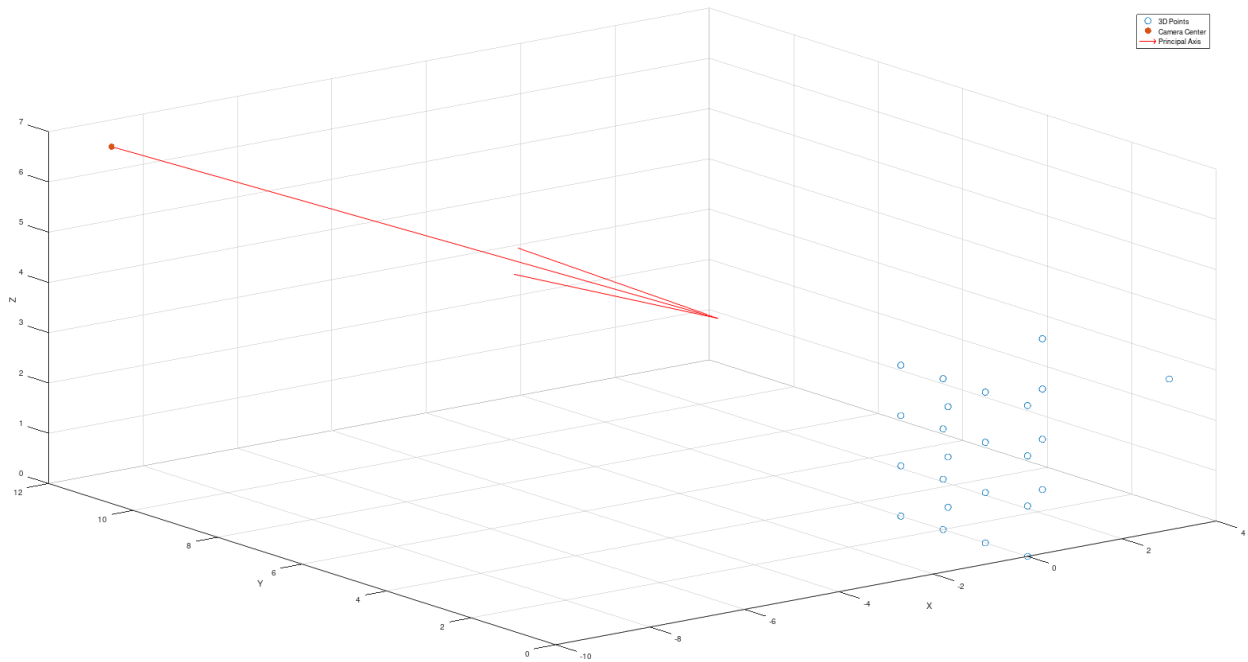


Figure 5: The 3D plot showing the camera center, the world points, & the principal axis

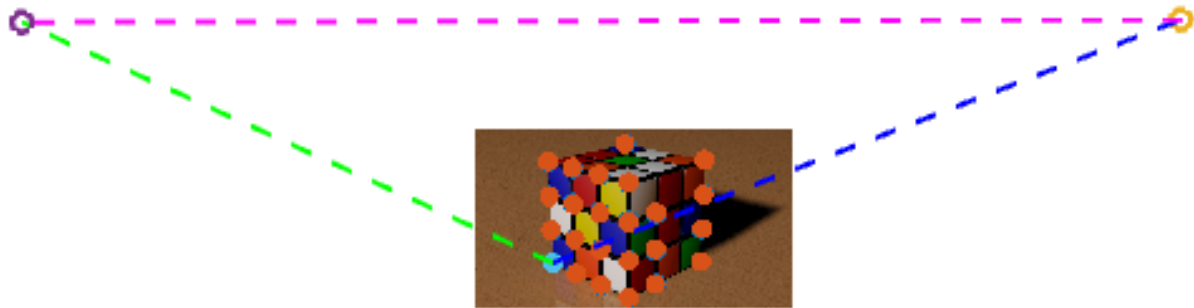


Figure 6: The image with projected 3D points & vanishing lines

3 Experiment & Reflect

3.1 How does increasing the number of points affect the accuracy & stability of the P -matrix estimation?

As the number of control points increased, the accuracy and stability of the estimated P Matrix improved. With 12 points, we observed discrepancies in the back-projected 3D points, while results with 40 points were far more consistent. The intrinsic and rotation matrices derived from the P Matrix appeared less sensitive to noise with more points, enhancing the reliability of the calibration.

3.2 Is there a noticeable difference in the accuracy of the back-projection when using fewer points versus more points?

Using fewer points (e.g., 12) resulted in higher deviations in back-projected points compared to their actual image locations. With 40 points, the back-projection closely matched the real-world setup, minimizing errors.

3.3 What challenges did you encounter when manually selecting points & entering 3D world coordinates?

The primary challenge that we faced when manually entering selecting the points was the precision: it was extremely difficult to precisely select the correct points due to the imprecision of the mouse as a selection device, human error, and a lack of fine-grain

zoom control in the MATLAB UI.

We also found the process of manually entering the points very time-consuming and error-prone. If we mis-clicked a point or accidentally entered in the wrong world coordinate, it would greatly damage the accuracy of the entire calibration and we would be forced to start over again.