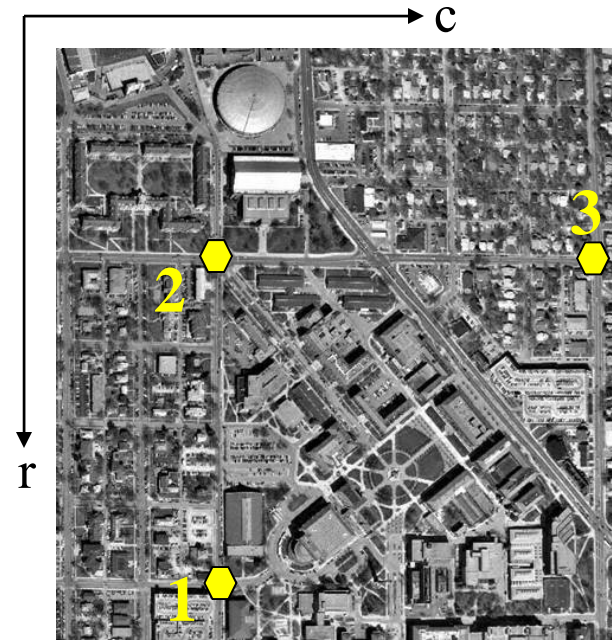
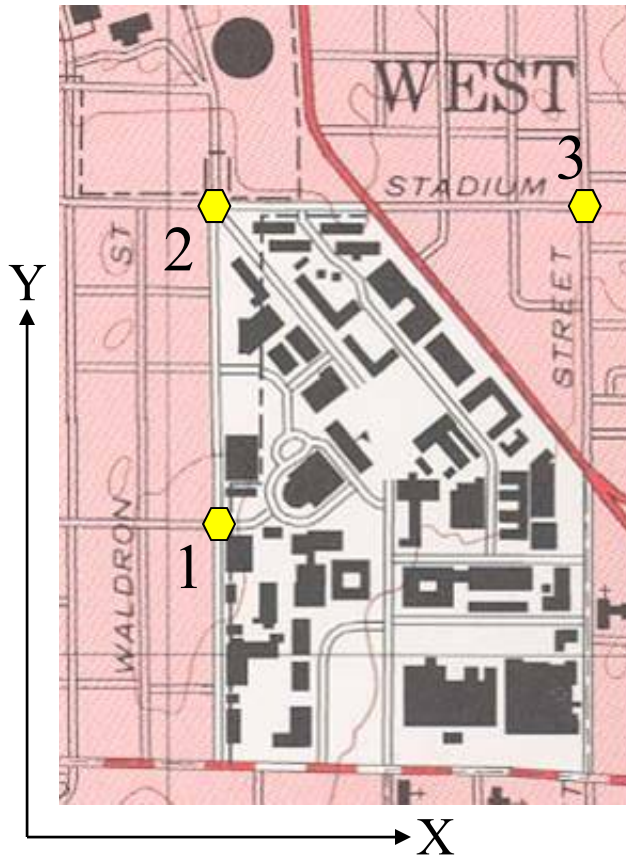


Sensor Modeling and Registration

Mapping Polynomials or Rubber Sheeting



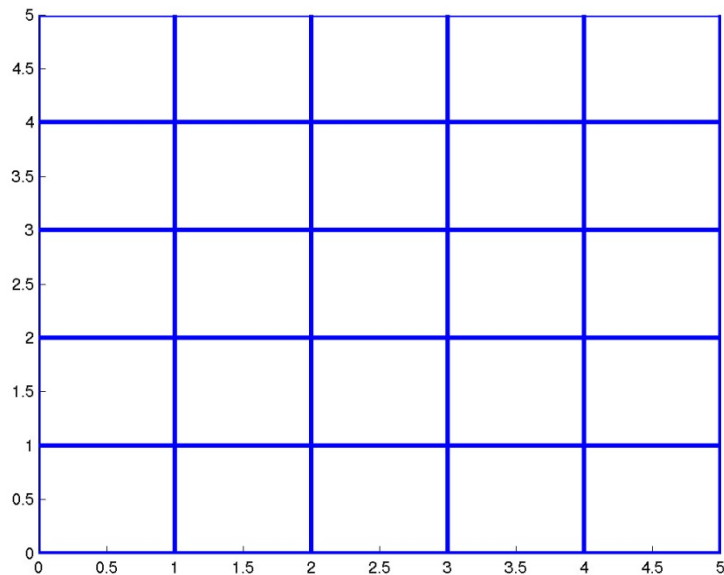
$$r = a_0 + a_1X + a_2Y + a_3XY + a_4X^2 + a_5Y^2$$

$$c = b_0 + b_1X + b_2Y + b_3XY + b_4X^2 + b_5Y^2$$

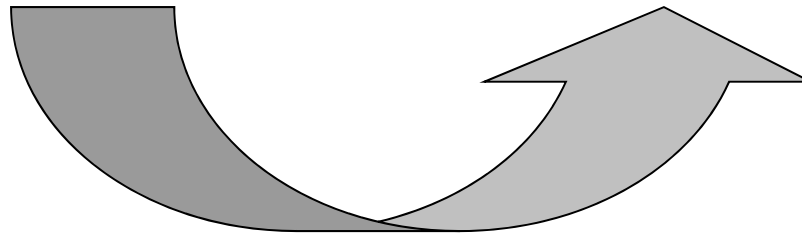
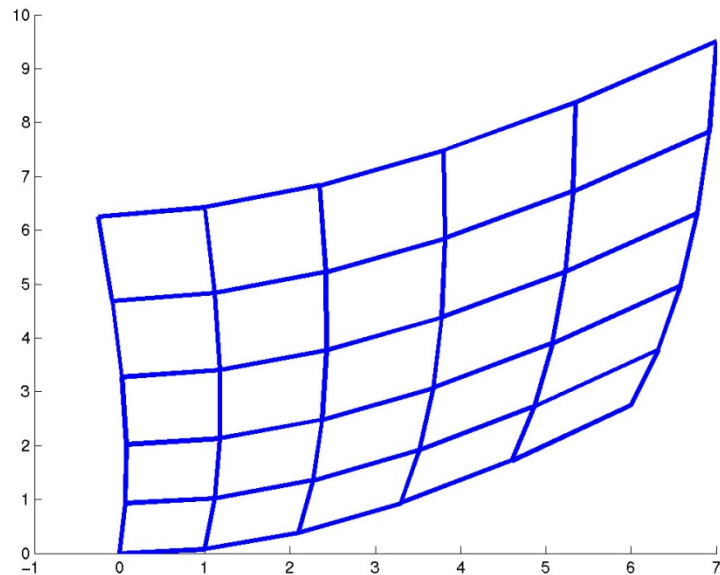
For each point we create two equations. We need at least as many equations as unknowns. If more, then we use least squares. It is like a regression problem: linear, easy. But we are confounding the effects of sensor, platform motion, and terrain relief. What should be the order of the polynomial ?

Graphical View of Rubber Sheet Transformation (2nd order, 12-parameter)

Reference grid



Transformed grid



Examples of mapping polynomials from prominent textbooks in remote sensing

2.4.1.1 Mapping Polynomials and Ground Control Points

Since explicit forms for the mapping functions in (2.8) are not known they are generally chosen as simple polynomials of first, second or third degree. For example, in the case of second degree (or order)

$$u = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 y + a_3 xy + a_4 x^2 + a_5 y^2 \quad (2.9 a)$$

$$v = b_0 + b_1 x + b_2 y + b_3 xy + b_4 x^2 + b_5 y^2 \quad (2.9 b)$$

Sometimes orders higher than third are used but care must be taken to avoid the introduction of worse errors than those to be corrected, as will be noted later.

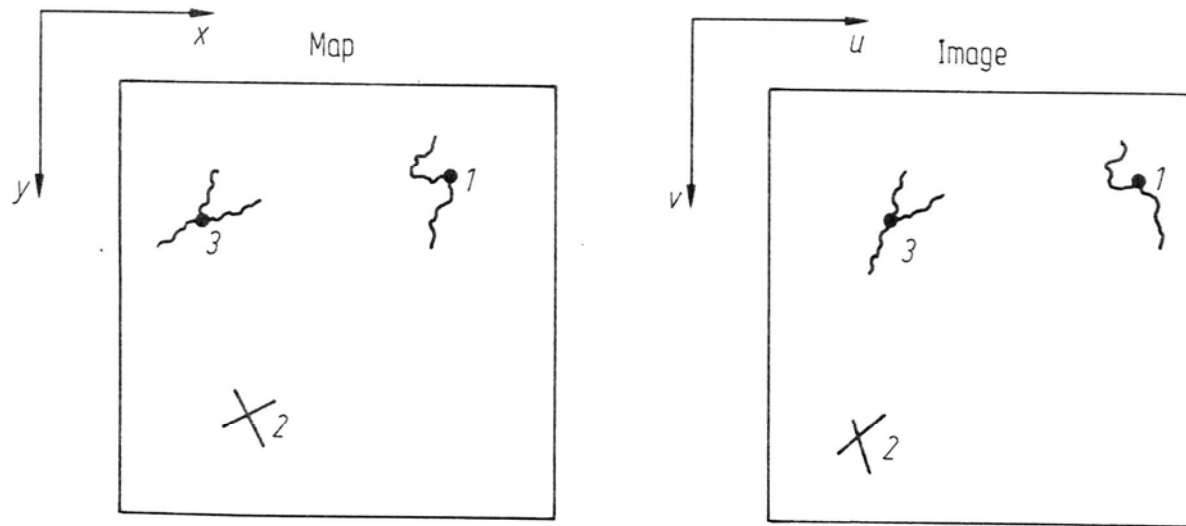


Fig. 2.12. Coordinate systems defined for the image and map, along with the specification of ground control points

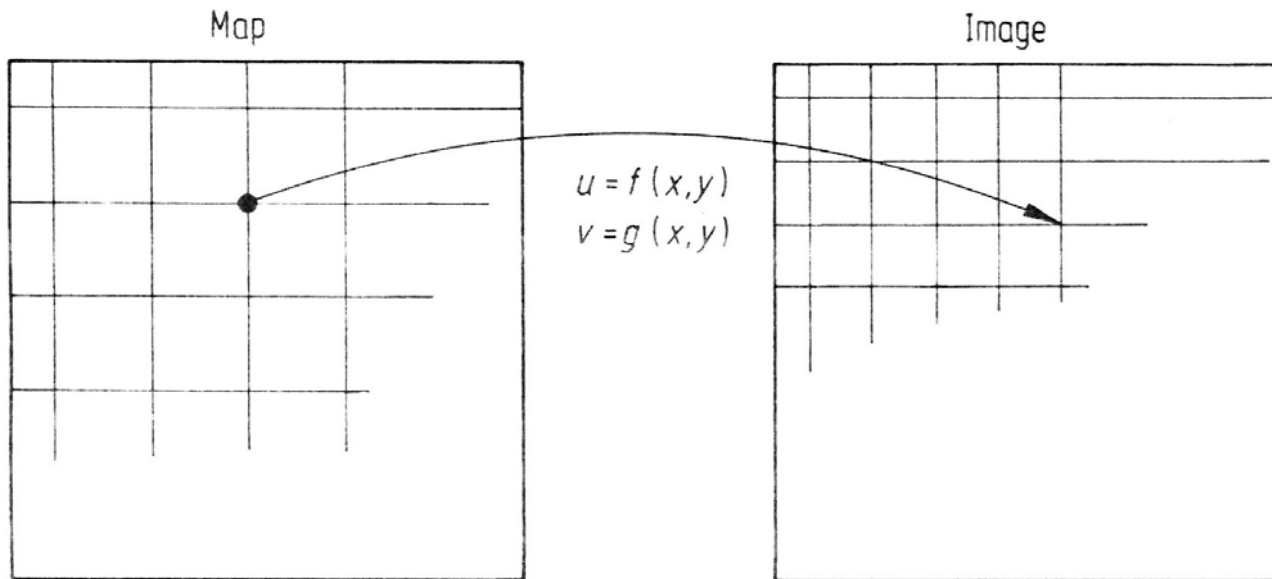


Fig. 2.13. Use of the mapping polynomials to locate points in the image corresponding to display grid positions

registers with the reference image. To accomplish this, we need to know the relationship between the two coordinate systems. We assume that the systems can be approximated by a least-squares fit to a polynomial of the form

$$x = a_0 + a_1x' + a_2y' + a_3x'y' + a_4x'^2 + a_5y'^2 \dots + \varepsilon_x$$

$$y = b_0 + b_1y' + b_2x' + b_3y'x' + b_4y'^2 + b_5x'^2 \dots + \varepsilon_y$$

where ε_x and ε_y are the residual errors after the transform. For simple distortions of the two images, a good transform can be achieved with a fairly low-order polynomial. For example, only the zero-th-order terms a_0 and b_0 are needed for a simple translation, the first two terms (a_1 , a_0 , b_1 , and b_0) are needed for a combined scale and translation, and the first three terms (a_1 , a_0 , b_1 , b_0 , and a_2) are needed for a combined scale, translation, and rotation. Higher-order terms are required to account for rotational and keystone effects due to acquisition and perspective differences (cf. Schowengerder, 1997).

$$x = f_1 (X, Y)$$

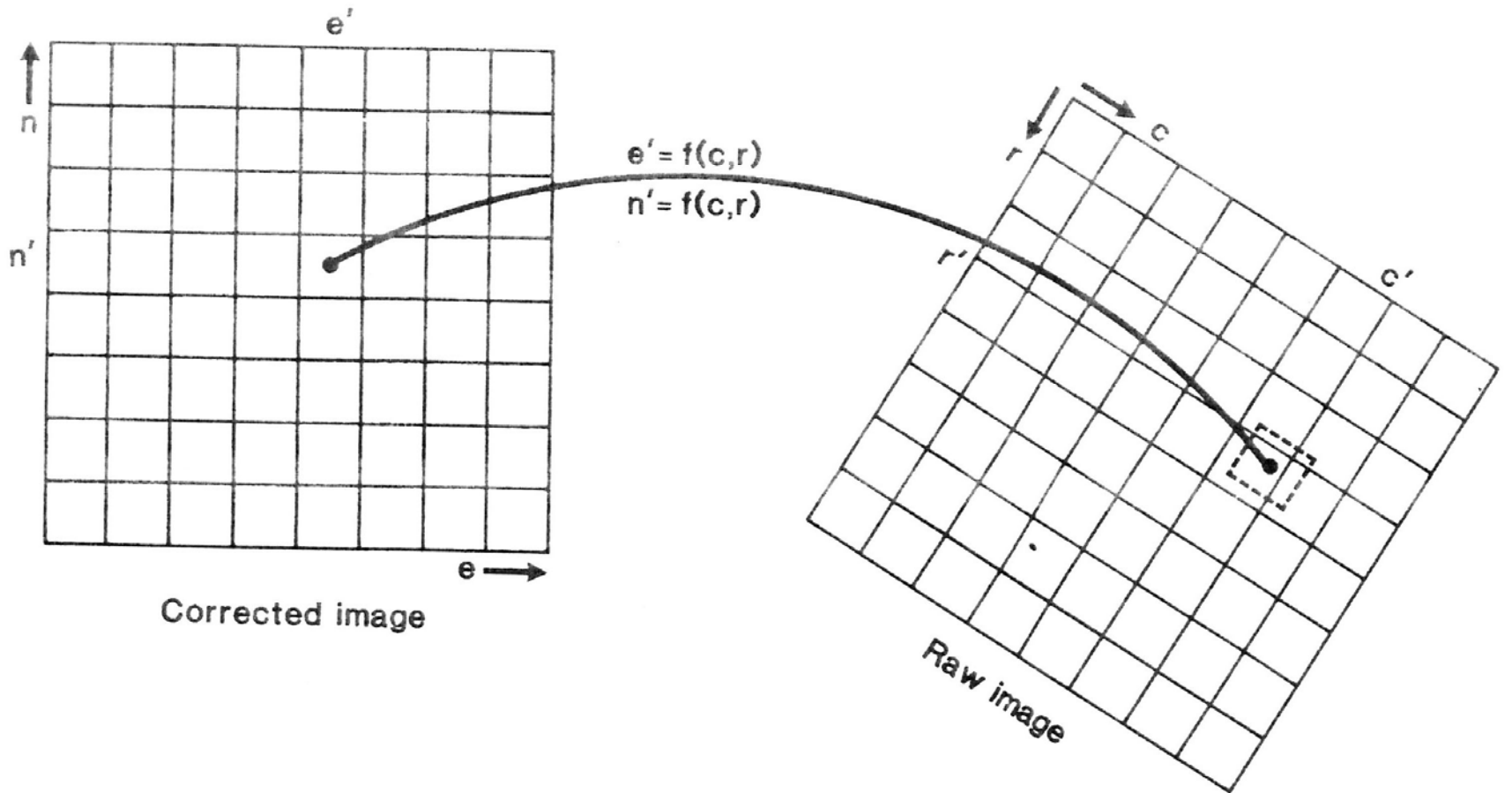
$$y = f_2 (X, Y)$$

where

(x, y) = distorted image coordinates (column, row)

(X, Y) = correct (map) coordinates

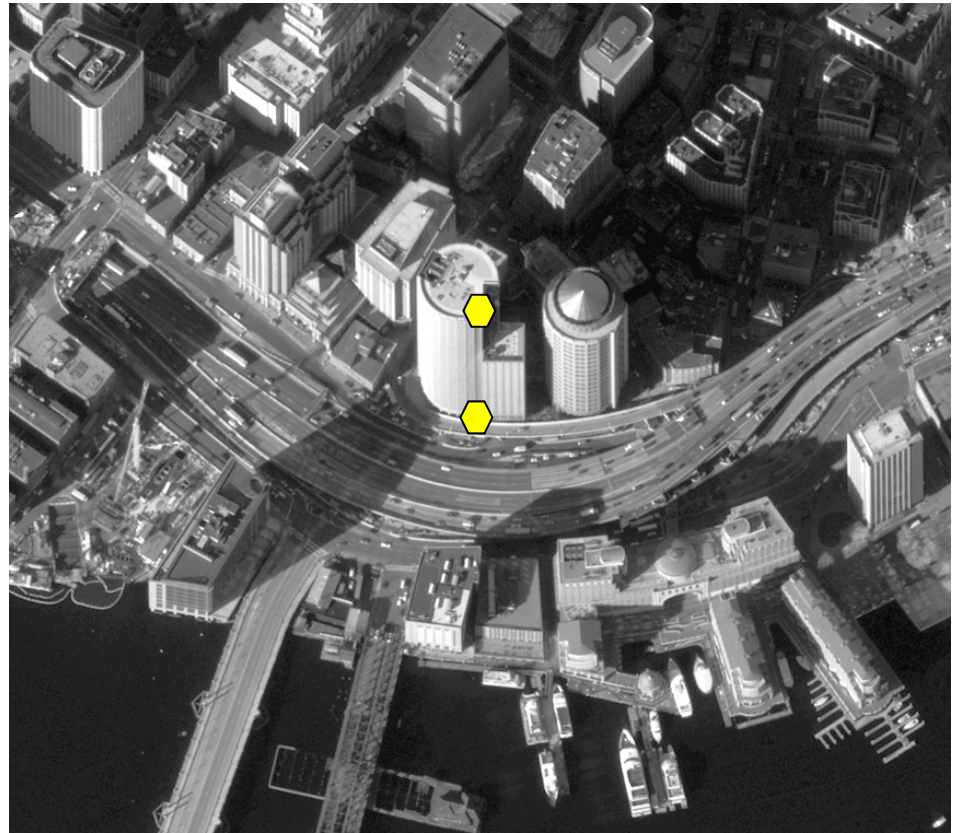
f_1, f_2 = transformation functions



Mapping Polynomials or Rubber Sheeting

If the terrain is flat, the sensor has narrow field of view, the sensor is nadir looking, and the ground sample distance is large, then *you can get reasonable results using the approach of mapping polynomials.*

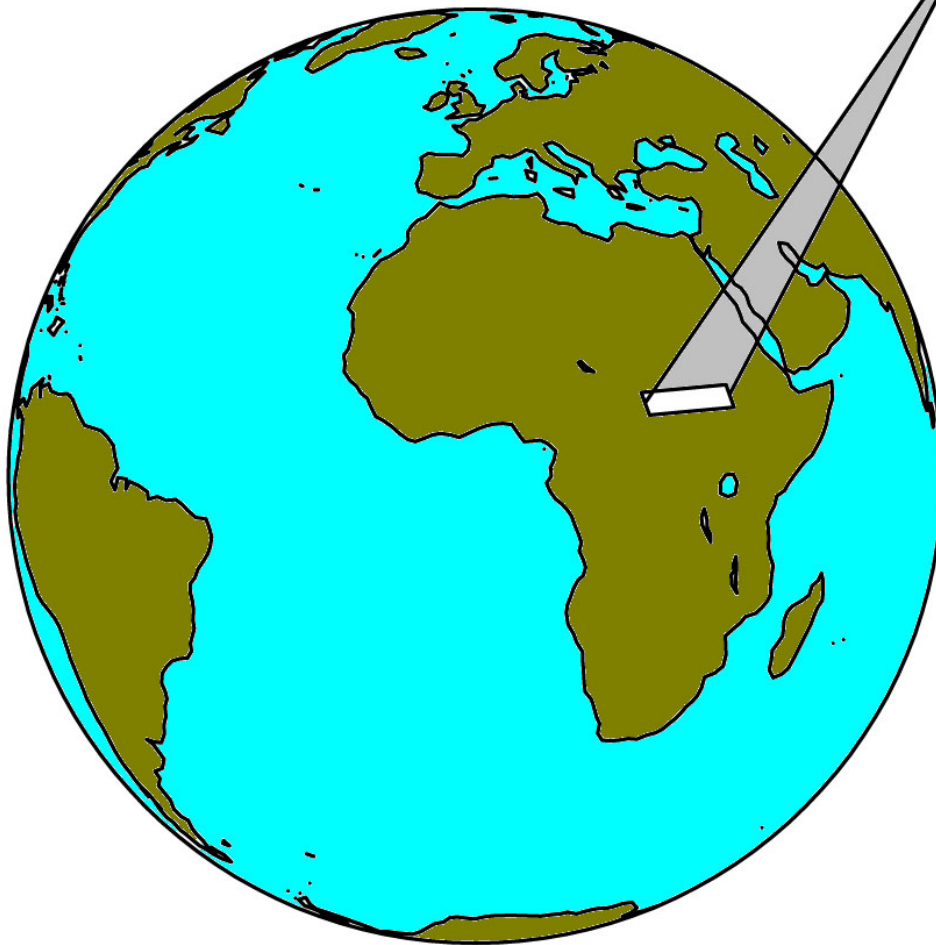
The accompanying Quickbird image (0.61m pixel) shows the pitfalls of mapping polynomials when the above conditions do not apply. The two marked points have the same XY and they would get mapped into the same (row, col), but clearly that is wrong. You could expand the polynomial by adding some Z-terms. *Modeling the actual physical imaging process is the best way. Otherwise you are the same polynomial to model sensor geometry, scan motion, platform motion, and terrain relief.*



Physically Based Model

Sensor parameters:

Focal length, principal point location, lens distortion, line rate, detector (pixel) size



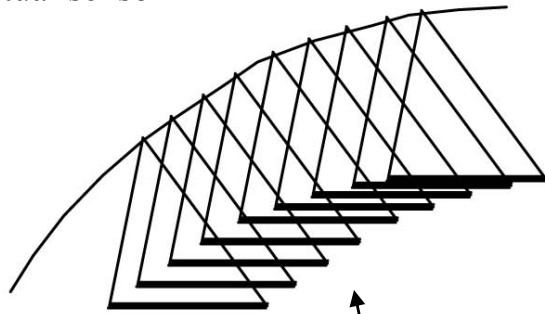
Platform parameters:

Location X, Y, Z , time, attitude roll, pitch, yaw, kepler orbit elements $(a, e, i, \Omega, \omega, \nu)$ – or interpolate between densely sampled trajectory points.

Relate ground point and image point by equations with the above *actual physical* parameters, rather than the generic a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots parameters.

Rigorous Sensor Model Parameter Estimation & RPC Parameter Estimation

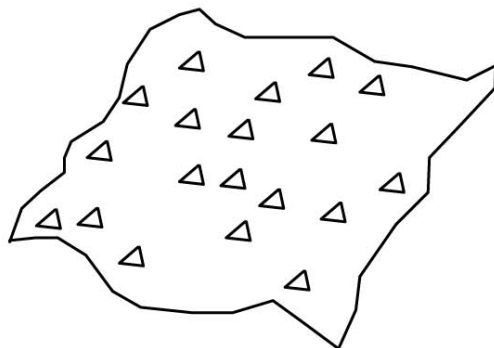
Estimate actual sensor parameters



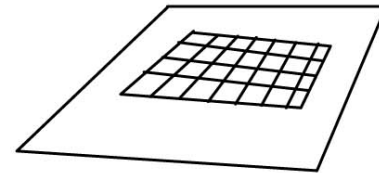
Actual image points

Rigorous physical model

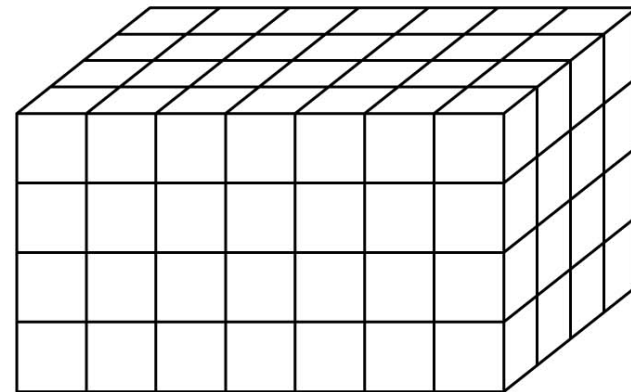
Actual ground points



Estimate RPC parameters using the *many* fictitious ground and image points



Project fictitious ground points into image by rigorous parameters



Fictitious ground points within volume

RPC Model

$$r = \frac{p1(X, Y, Z)}{p2(X, Y, Z)} = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m1} \sum_{j=0}^{m2} \sum_{k=0}^{m3} a_{ijk} X^i Y^j Z^k}{\sum_{i=0}^{n1} \sum_{j=0}^{n2} \sum_{k=0}^{n3} b_{ijk} X^i Y^j Z^k}$$

$$c = \frac{p3(X, Y, Z)}{p4(X, Y, Z)} = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m1} \sum_{j=0}^{m2} \sum_{k=0}^{m3} c_{ijk} X^i Y^j Z^k}{\sum_{i=0}^{n1} \sum_{j=0}^{n2} \sum_{k=0}^{n3} d_{ijk} X^i Y^j Z^k}$$

For the third order model, only terms with $i+j+k \leq 3$ are allowed. Those terms are shown below.

$1, x, y, z, x^2, y^2, z^2, xy, xz, yz, x^2y, xy^2, x^2z, xz^2, y^2z, yz^2, x^3, y^3, z^3, xyz$

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Erdas Imagine /
Orthobase support for
IKONOS RPC data –
note the line_numerator
coefficients go up to
#20, this implies a 3rd
order polynomial

$$r = \frac{a_0 + a_1x + a_2y}{1 + c_1x + c_2y}$$

$$c = \frac{b_0 + b_1x + b_2y}{1 + c_1x + c_2y}$$

$$r + rc_1x + rc_2y = a_0 + a_1x + a_2y$$

$$c + cc_1x + cc_2y = b_0 + b_1x + b_2y$$

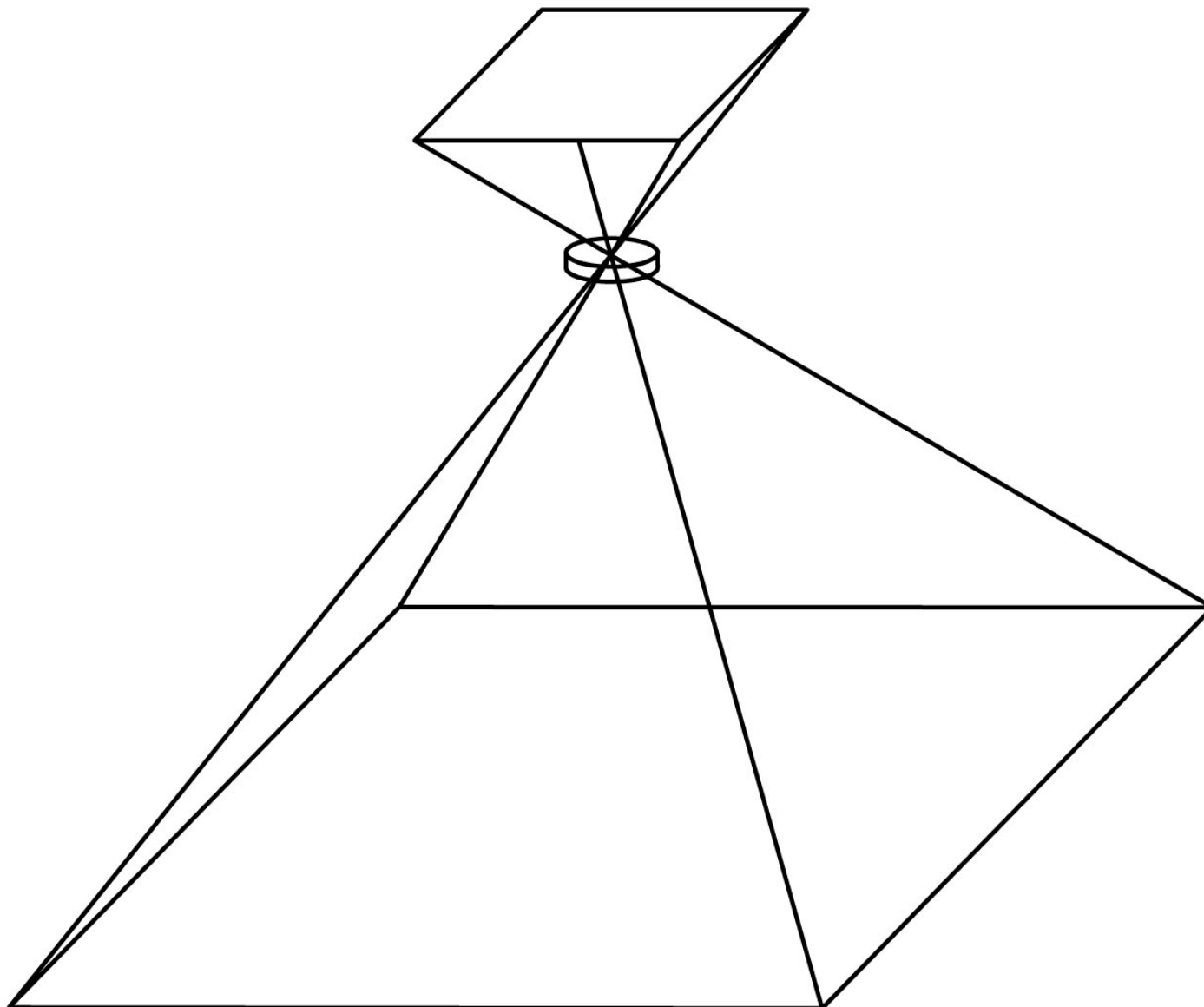
$$r = a_0 + a_1x + a_2y - rc_1x - rc_2y$$

$$c = b_0 + b_1x + b_2y - cc_1x - cc_2y$$

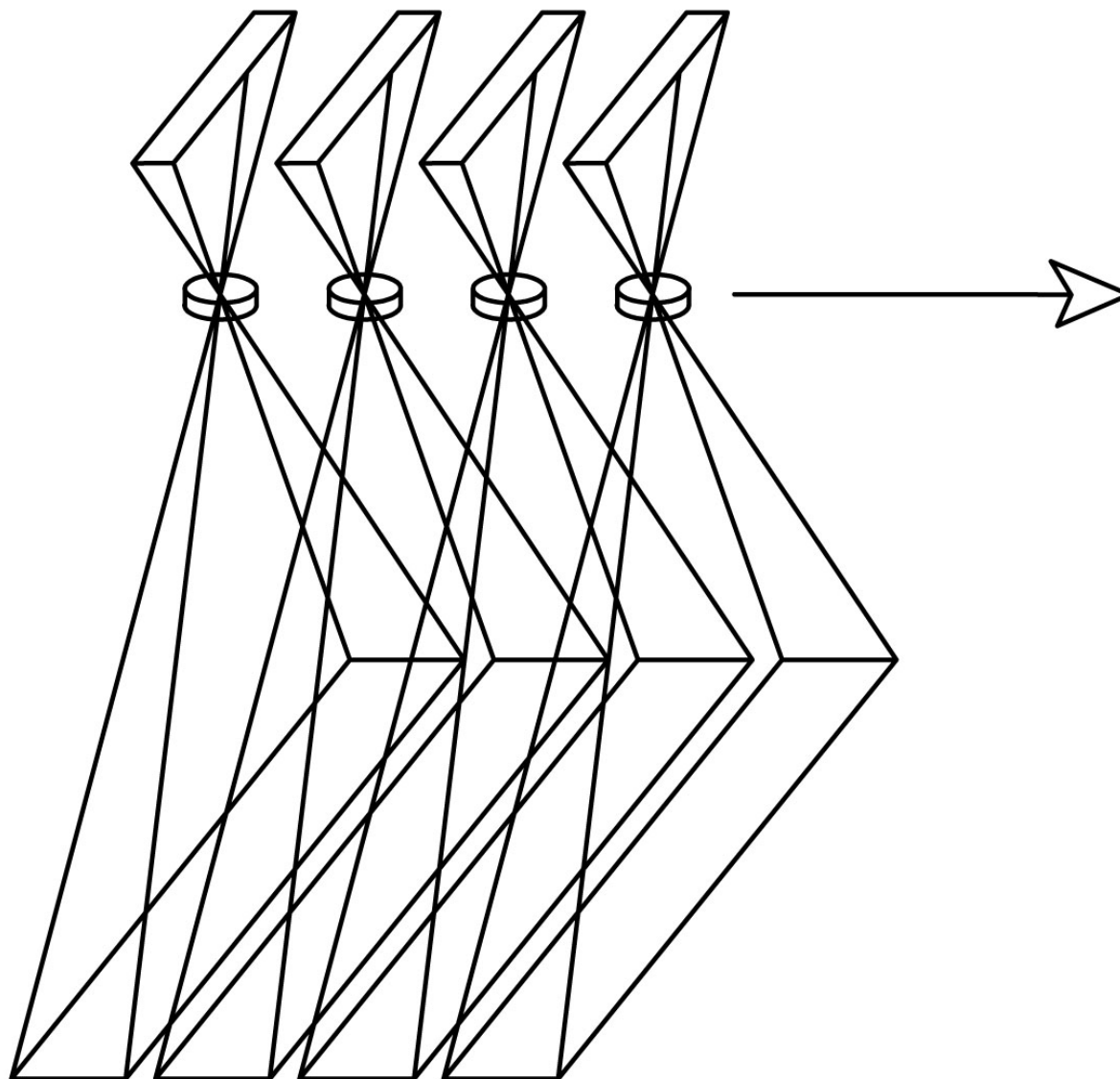
$$\begin{bmatrix} r \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & y & 0 & 0 & 0 & -rx & -ry \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & x & y & -cx & -cy \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ b_0 \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Show handling of low order rational polynomials as pseudo-linear problem. This is a good way to get approximations for the parameters, then final estimates can be obtained by rigorous non-linear estimation. Note that we will scale both the object and image coordinates into the range: -1 to +1.

Frame (Pinhole Camera) Sensor Geometry



Pushbroom Sensor Geometry



Panoramic Sensor Geometry

