

Announcements

Final project upcoming deadlines:

- **Nov 13**, a short video of your progress.
Submit via Compass, 10% of the final project total.
- **Dec 16**, 7-11pm in Siebel 4240.
Final project presentations and Open House for press!

VR Lab Closed on Nov 16th ! (Pilots are using it)

Position Tracking: Visibility Methods

FEATURES:

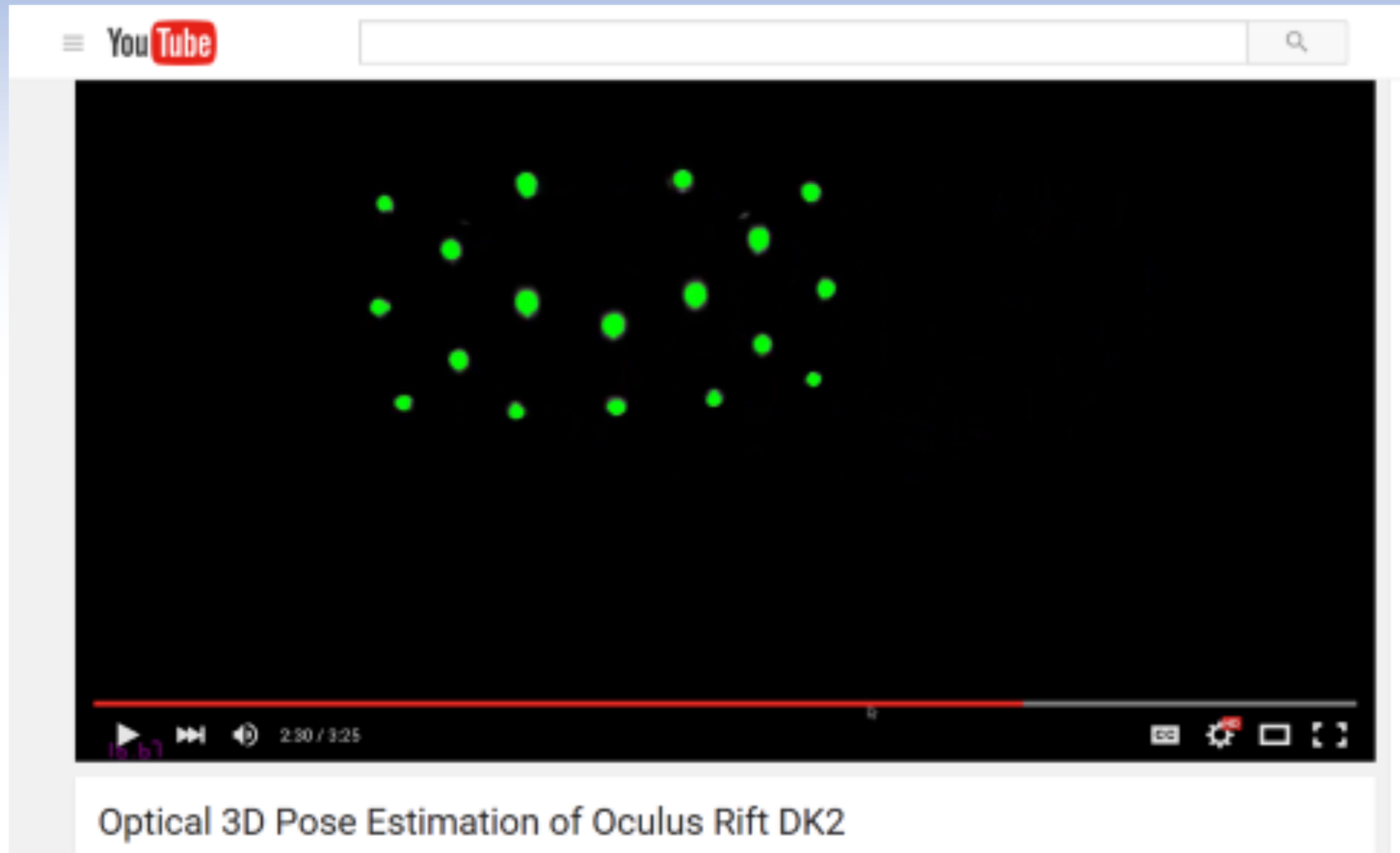
1) Natural

- Hard computer vision
- Extract and maintain from natural scenes
- Remove moving objects
- Reliability low

2) Artificial

- Trivial computer vision (blob detection)
- QR tags, retro reflective markers, LEDs, laser projections
- Can stay in IR spectrum (invisible to humans)

Position Tracking: Visibility Methods



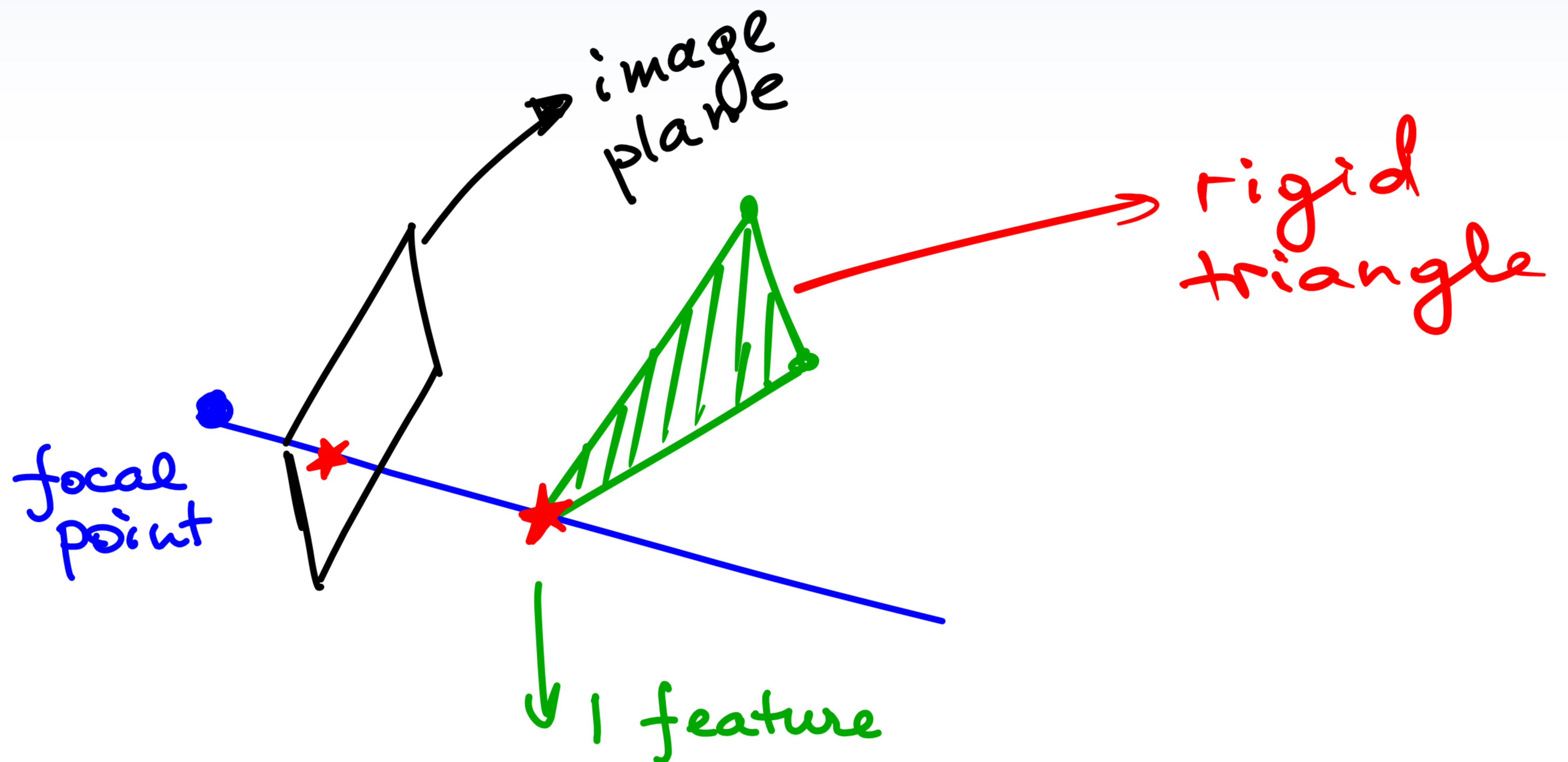
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Position Tracking: Blob Detection

PnP Problem:

Determine rigid body _____ from _____ features on a rigid body.

P1P Problem:



DOF analysis:

- Start with 6 DOFs (rigid body)
- Each feature subtracts 2 DOFs

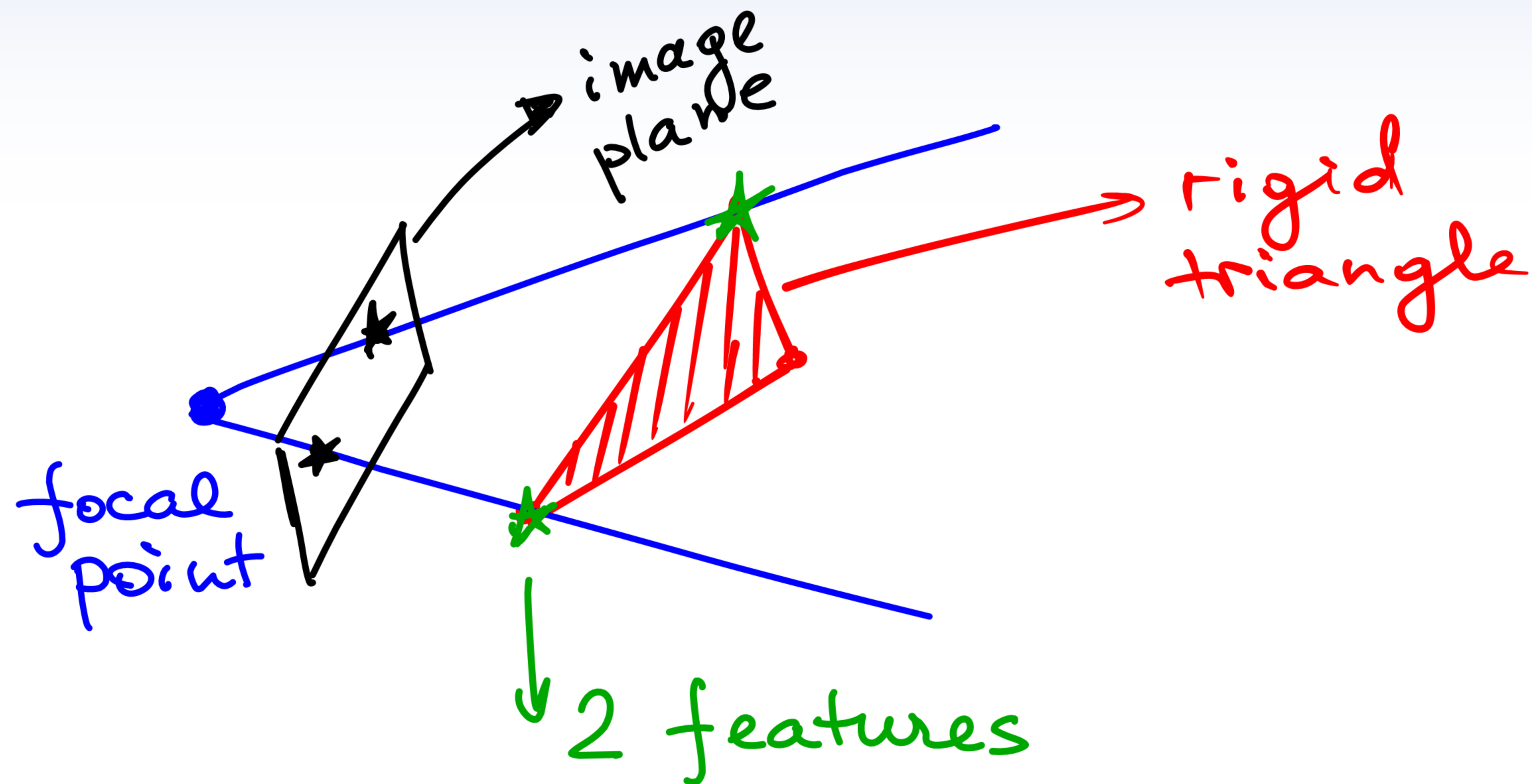
DOFs left:

DOFs for rotations +
DOF for sliding along perspective line

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P2P Problem:

Determine position and orientation of triangle from 2 features in image.



DOFs left:

DOF for sliding

+

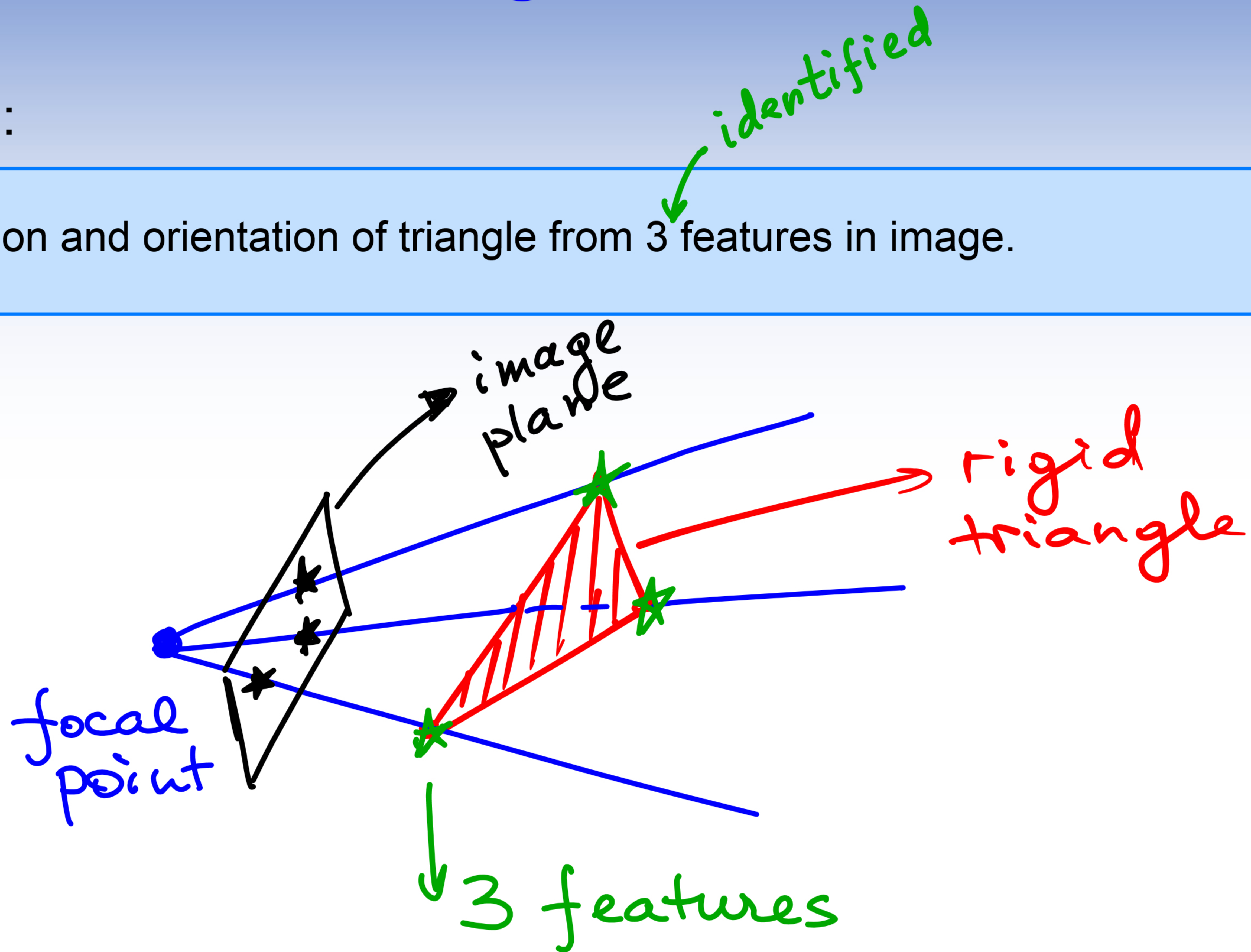
DOF for rotation around edge

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P3P Problem:

Determine position and orientation of triangle from 3 features in image.

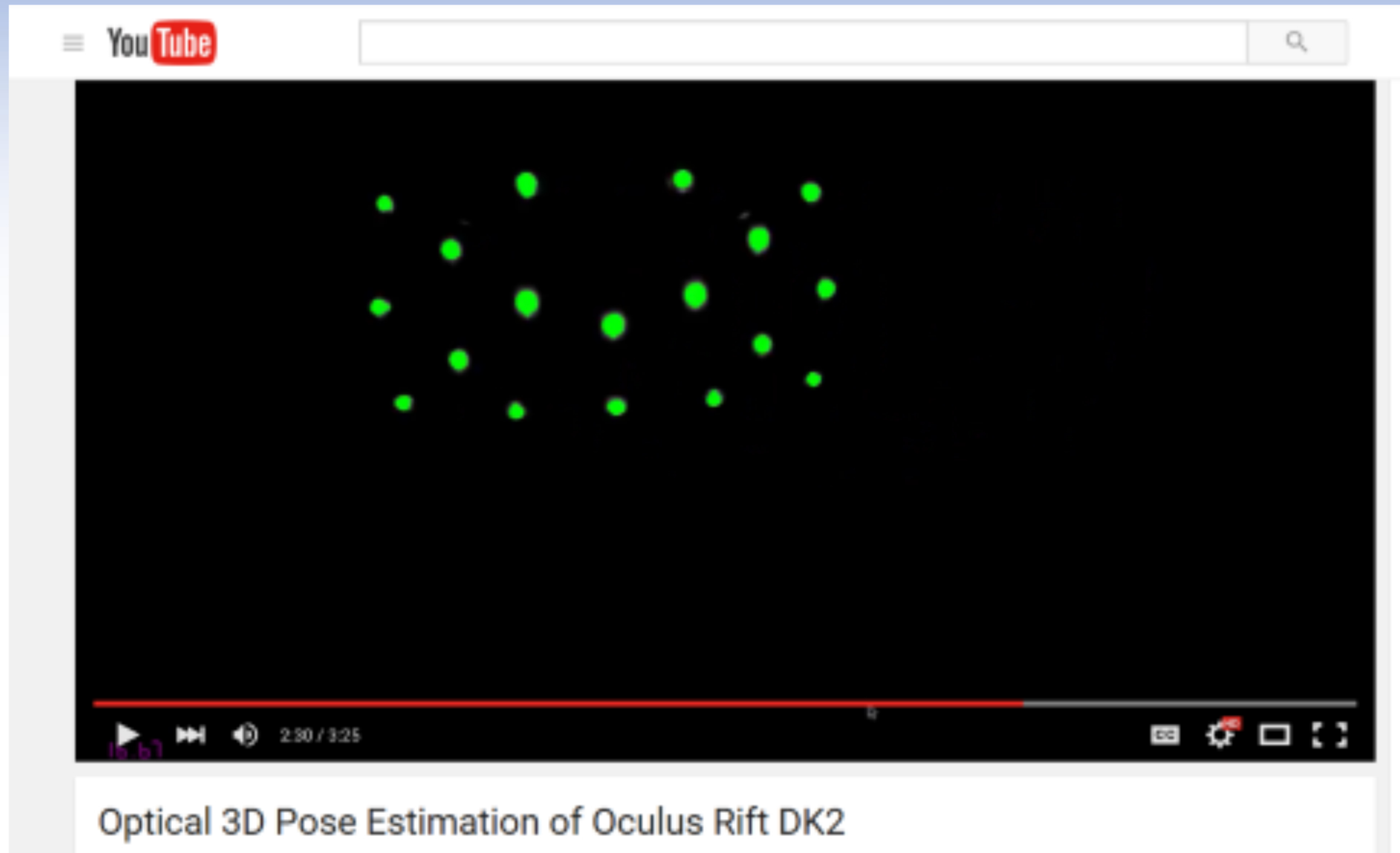
DOFs left



Solution: A system of polynomial equations leads to 8 solutions (but only 4 in front of the camera). The beginnings of computational real algebraic geometry.

P4P, PSP, ... PnP

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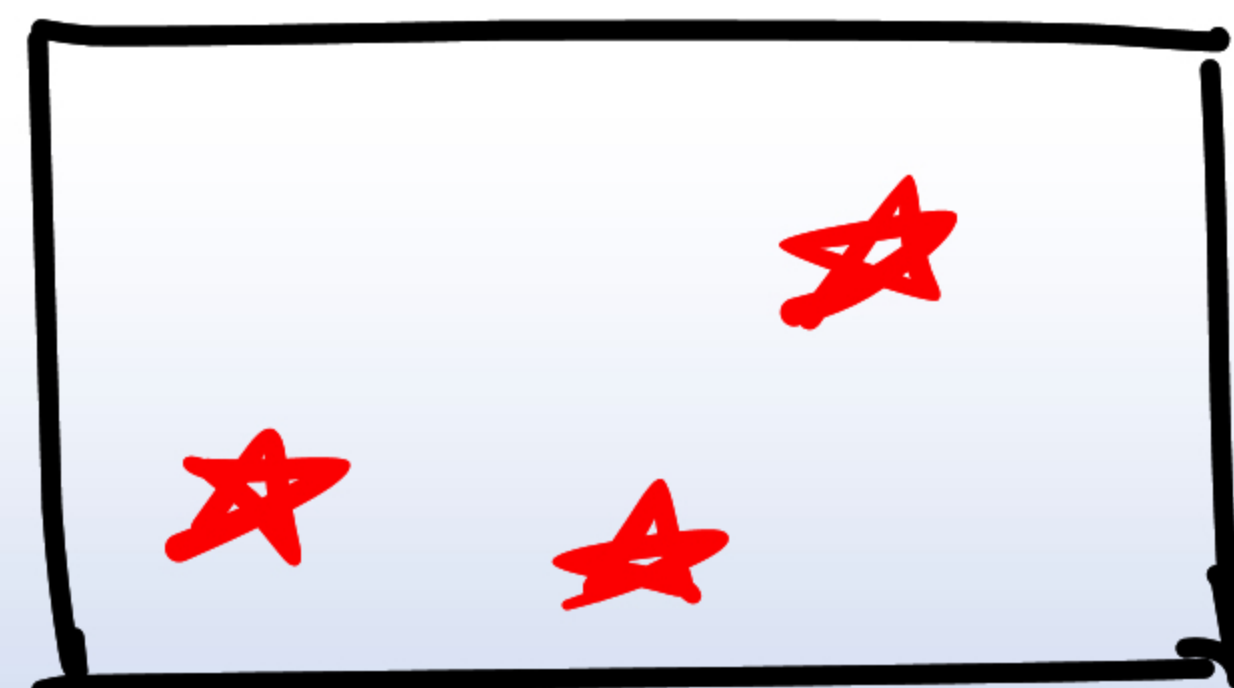
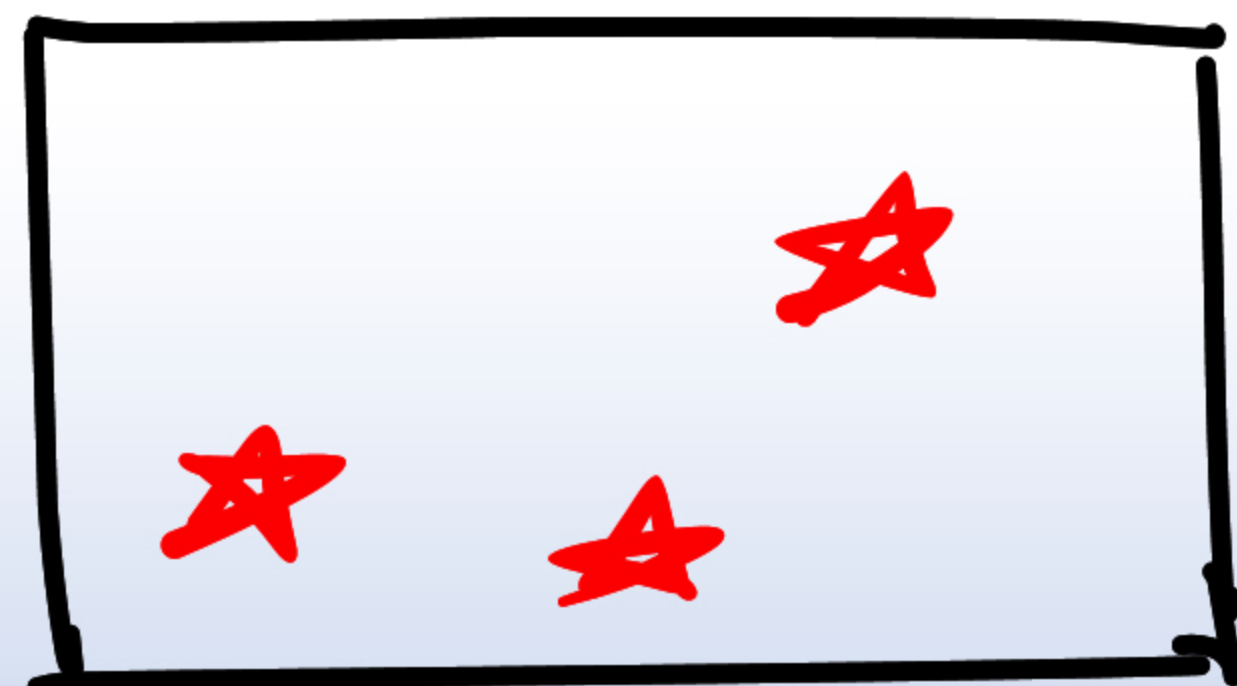
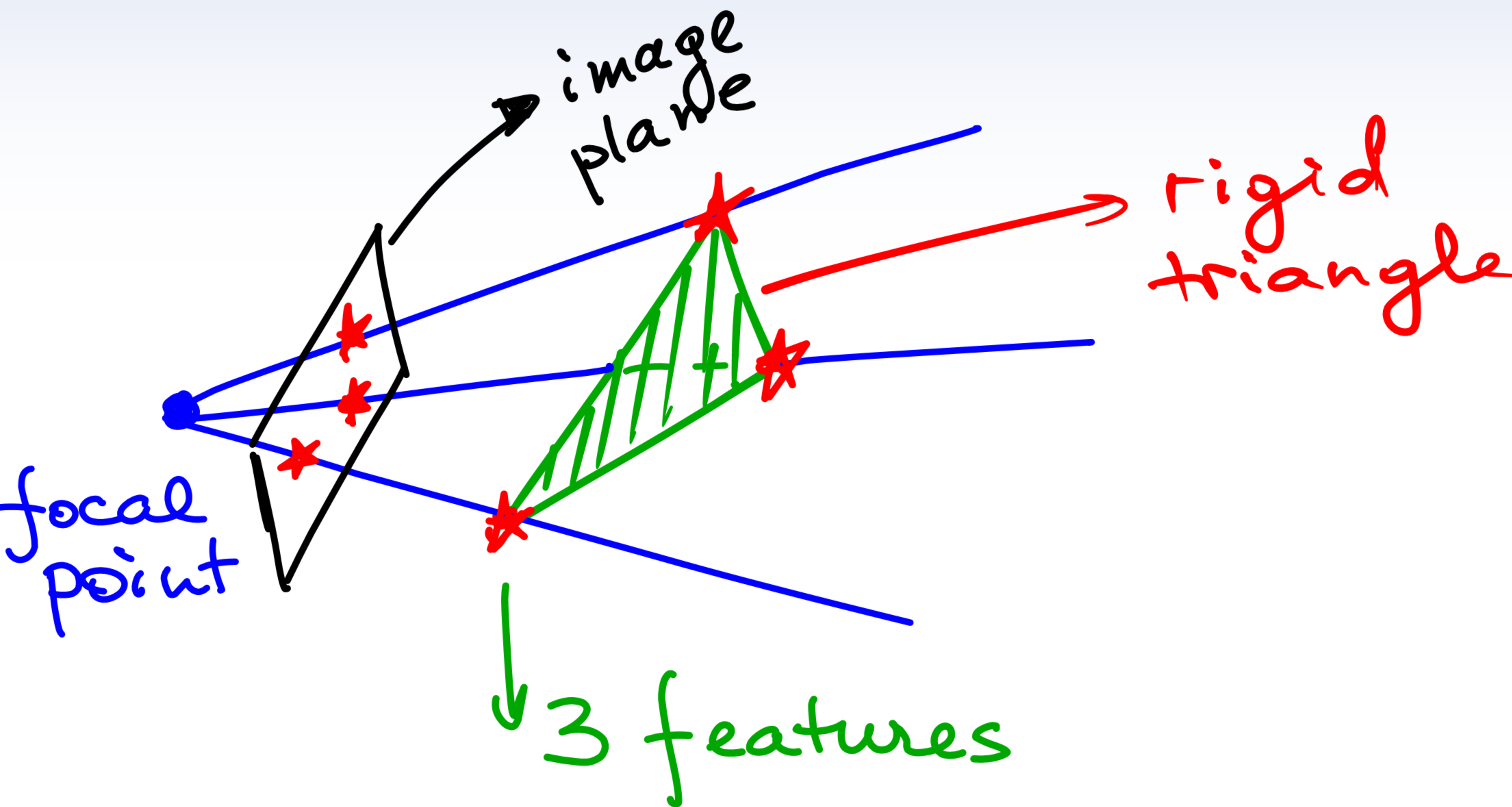
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Position Tracking: Incremental Blob Detection

Incremental PnP Problem:

Faster than PnP!

Determine rigid body transformation from identified features in image, given current estimate.



Position Tracking: Sensor Fusion

Sensors:

- Gyroscope
- Accelerometer
- Magnetometer
- Camera-LEDs

$$\hat{x}_{k+1} = \hat{x}_k +$$

$$\hat{v}_{k+1} = \hat{v}_k +$$

Position Tracking: Sensor Fusion

Sensors:

- Gyroscope
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$$\hat{x}_{k+1} = \hat{x}_k + \hat{v}_k \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \hat{a} \Delta t^2 + \alpha \Delta x_k$$

$$\hat{v}_{k+1} = \hat{v}_k + \hat{a} \Delta t + \beta \Delta v_k$$

$$\Delta x_k = \hat{x}_{vis} - \hat{x}_k$$

$$\Delta v_k = \hat{v}_{vis} - \hat{v}_k$$

How to pick $\alpha, \beta \in (0, 1)$?

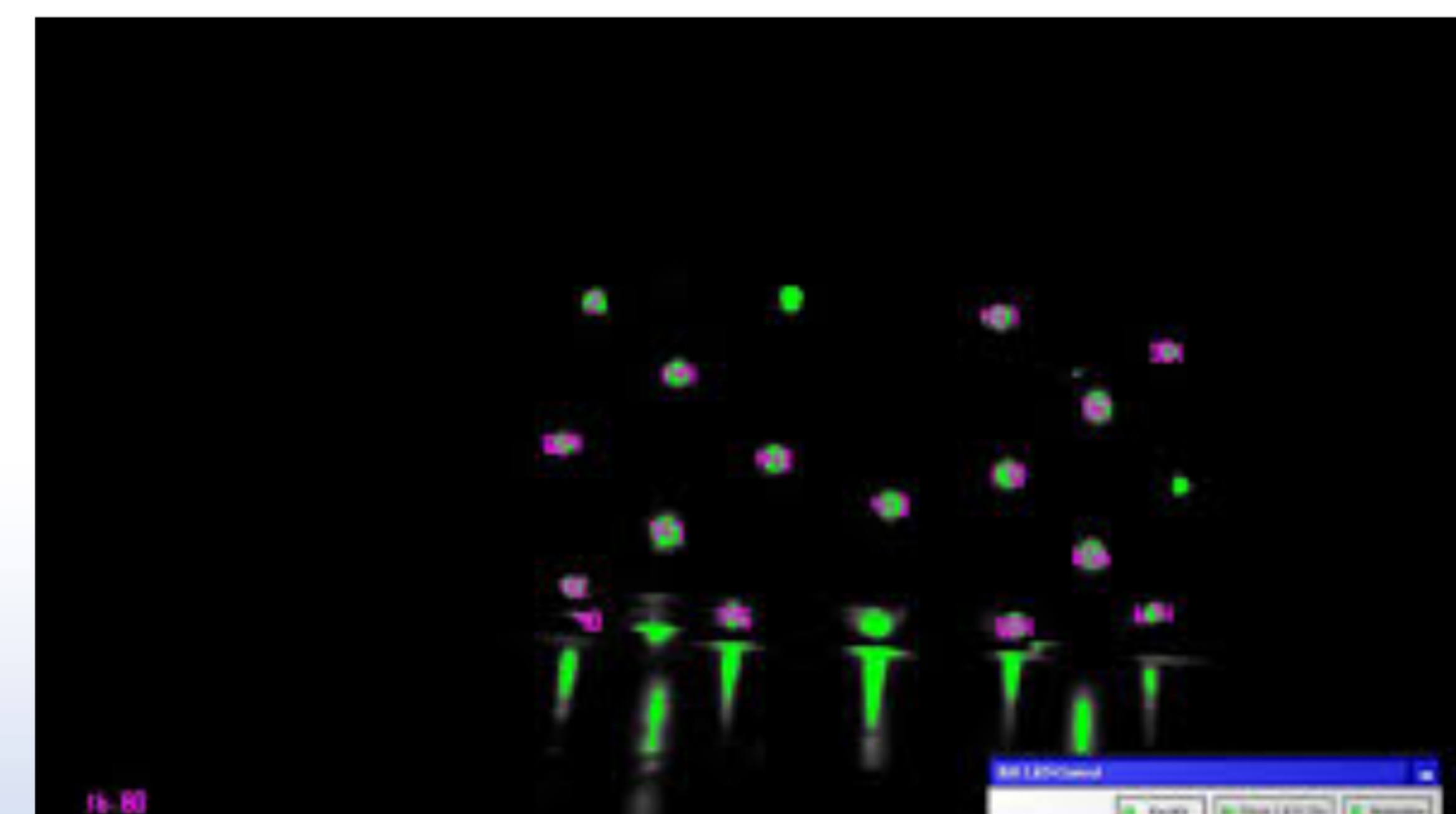
- 1) Empirically - complementary filter
- 2) Kalman filter - general purpose black box

3) Perceptually tuned gains

σ_w = process noise variance

σ_v = measurement noise variance

Position Tracking: Sensor Fusion



Position Tracking: Lighthouse (Valve/HTC Valve)

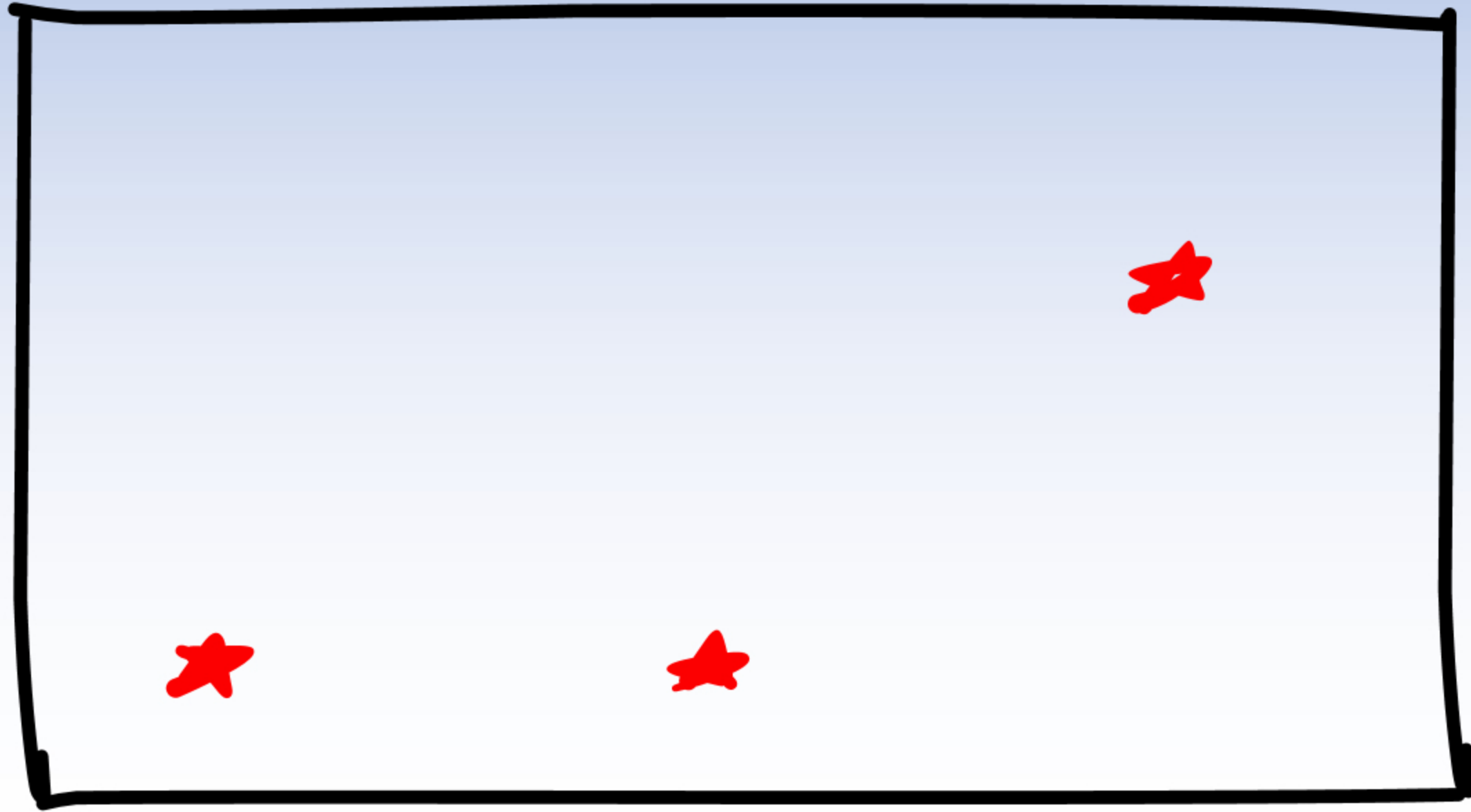


Image processing steps:

1)

2)

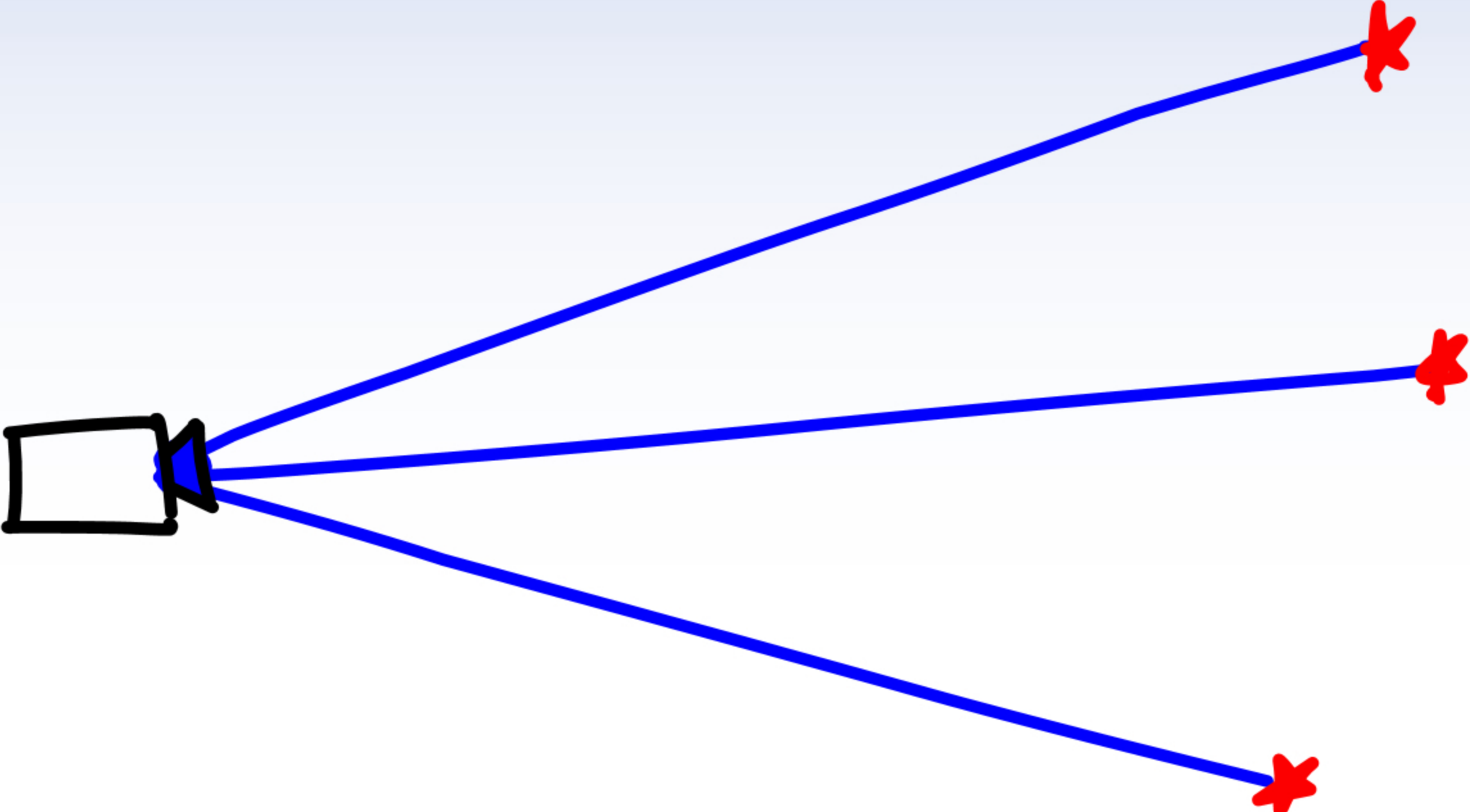
3)

4)

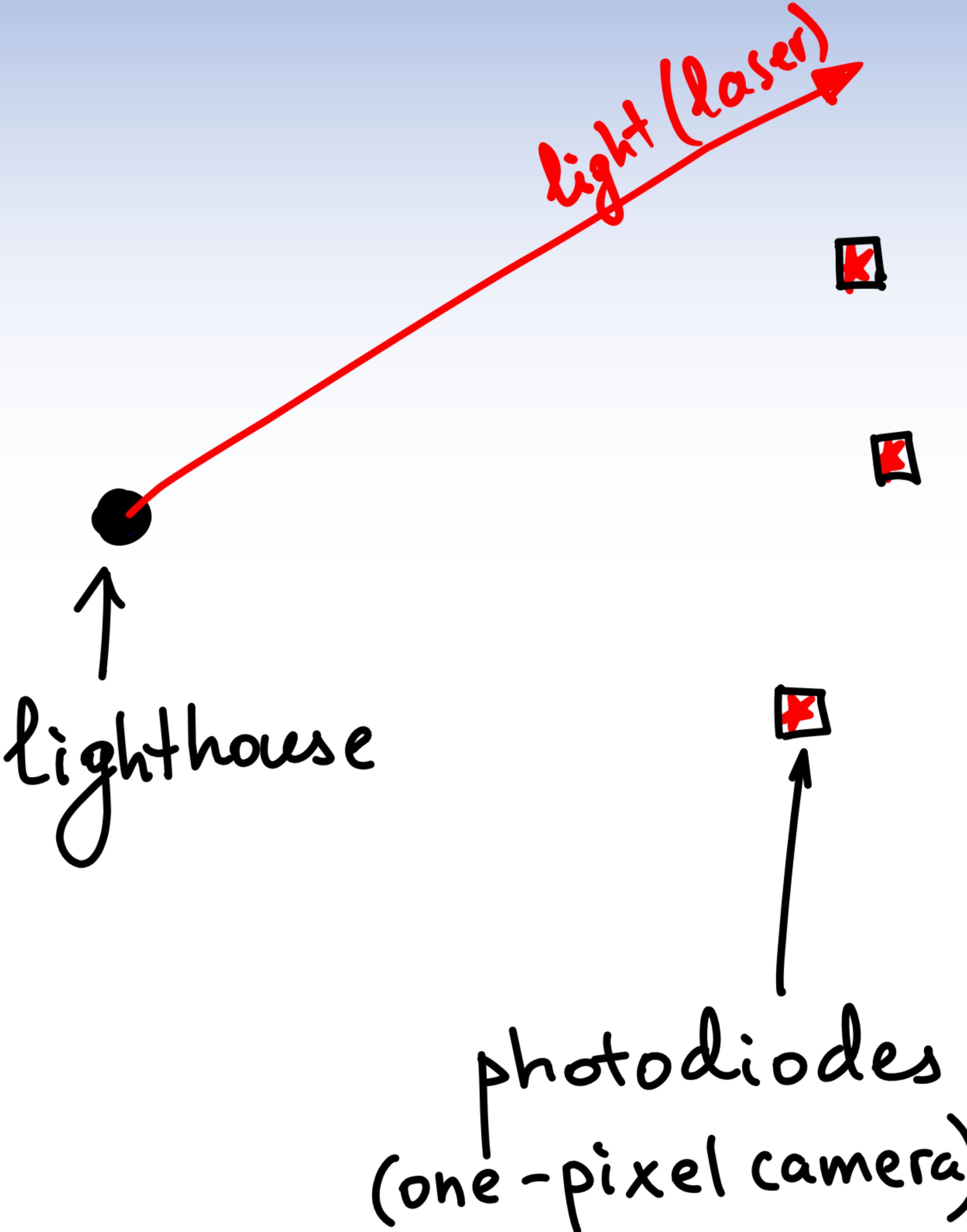
Why not bypass taking an image and image processing (scanning for features)?

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Mathematically equivalent models in 2D:



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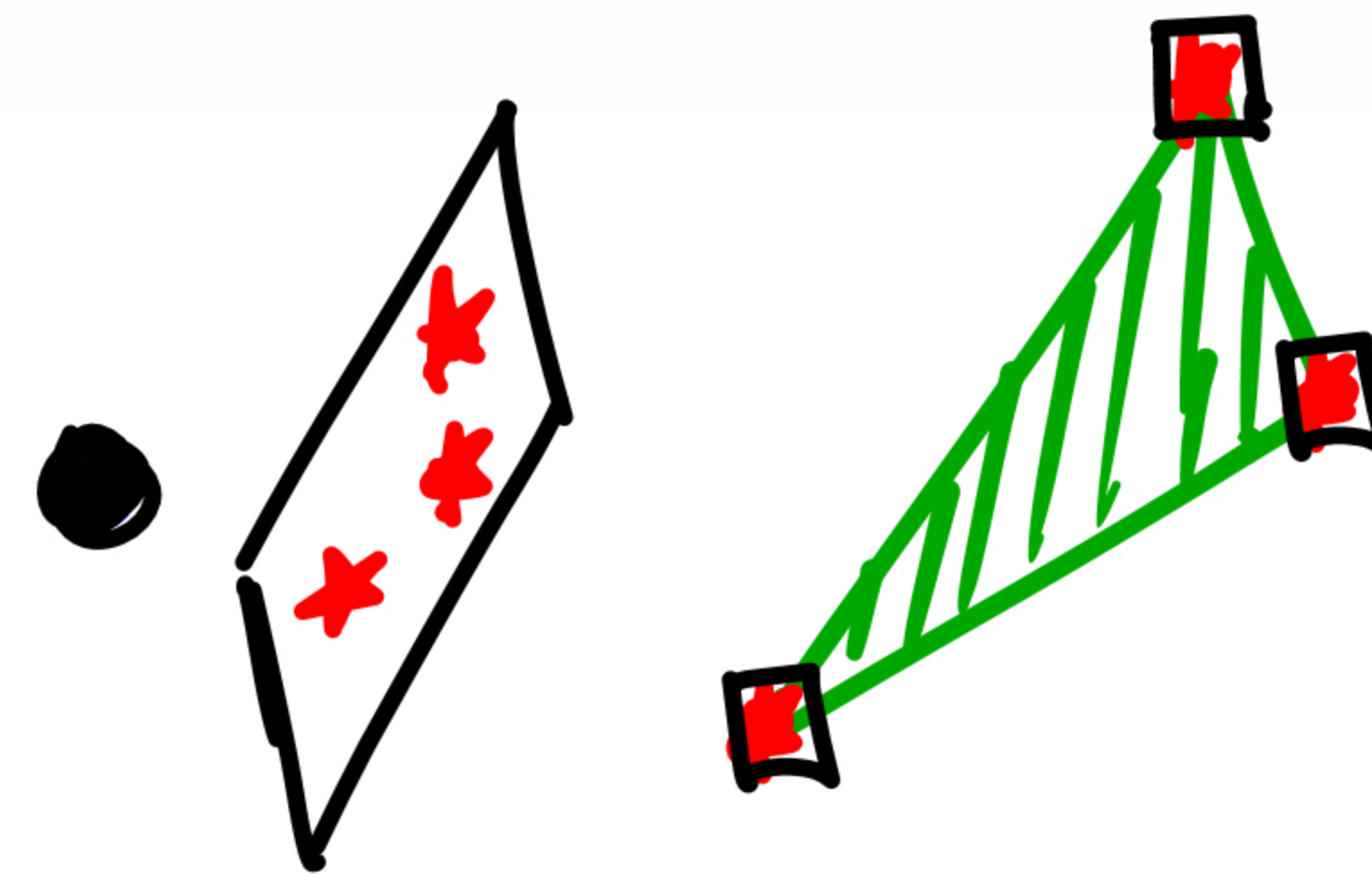
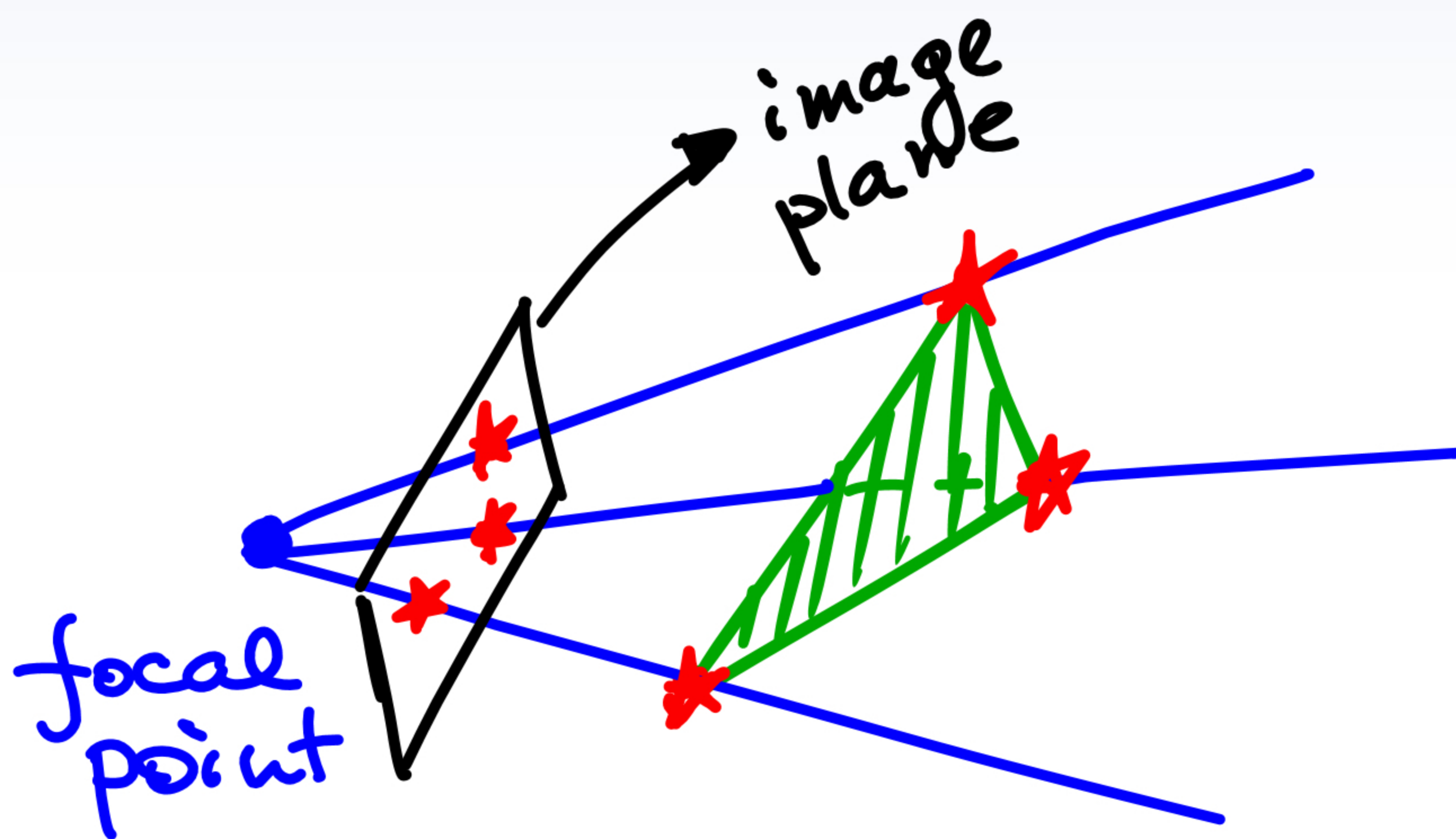


- Pros:
- Identification of features is
 - Need to know rotation
 - No

- Cons:
- Does

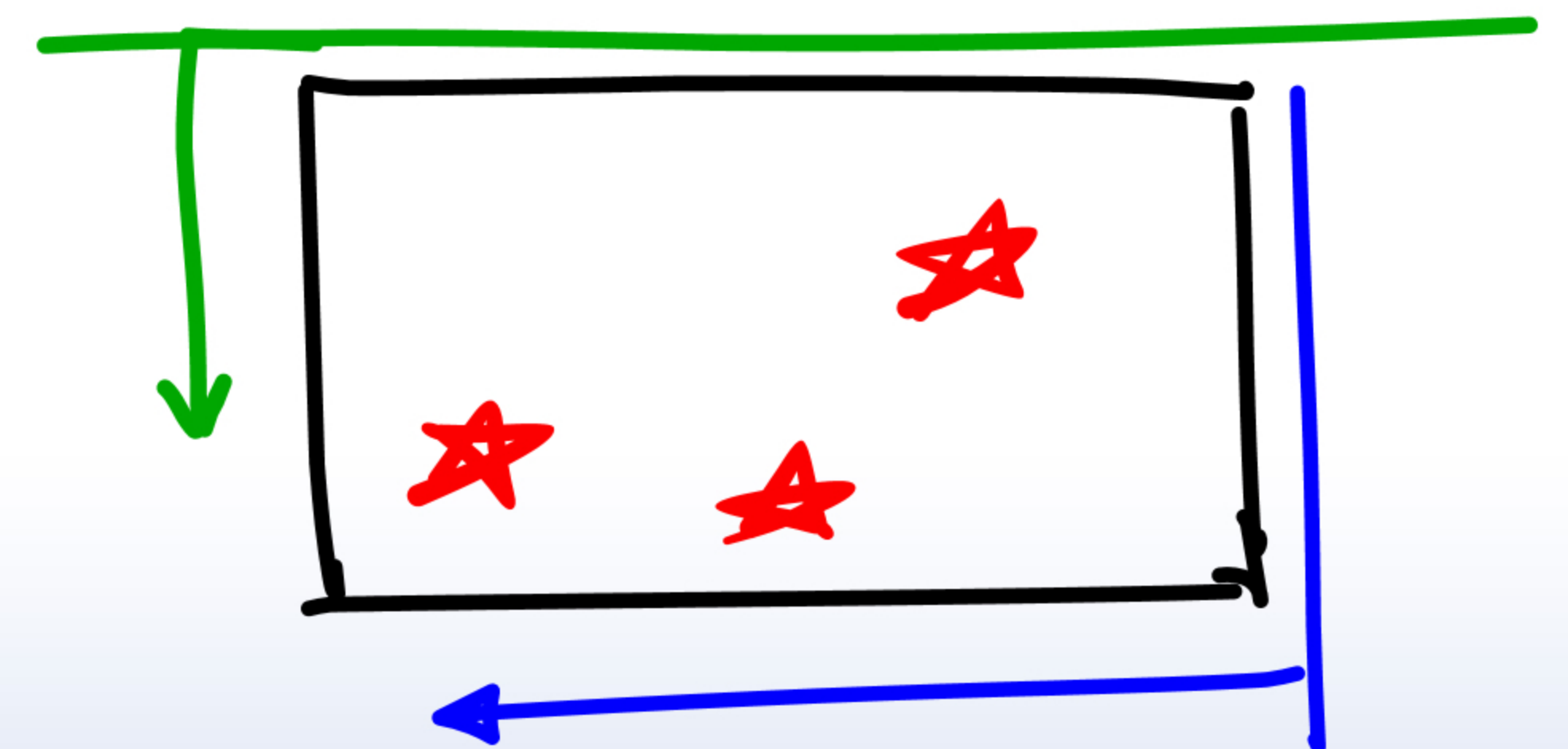
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Mathematically equivalent models in 3D: need horizontal and vertical beams



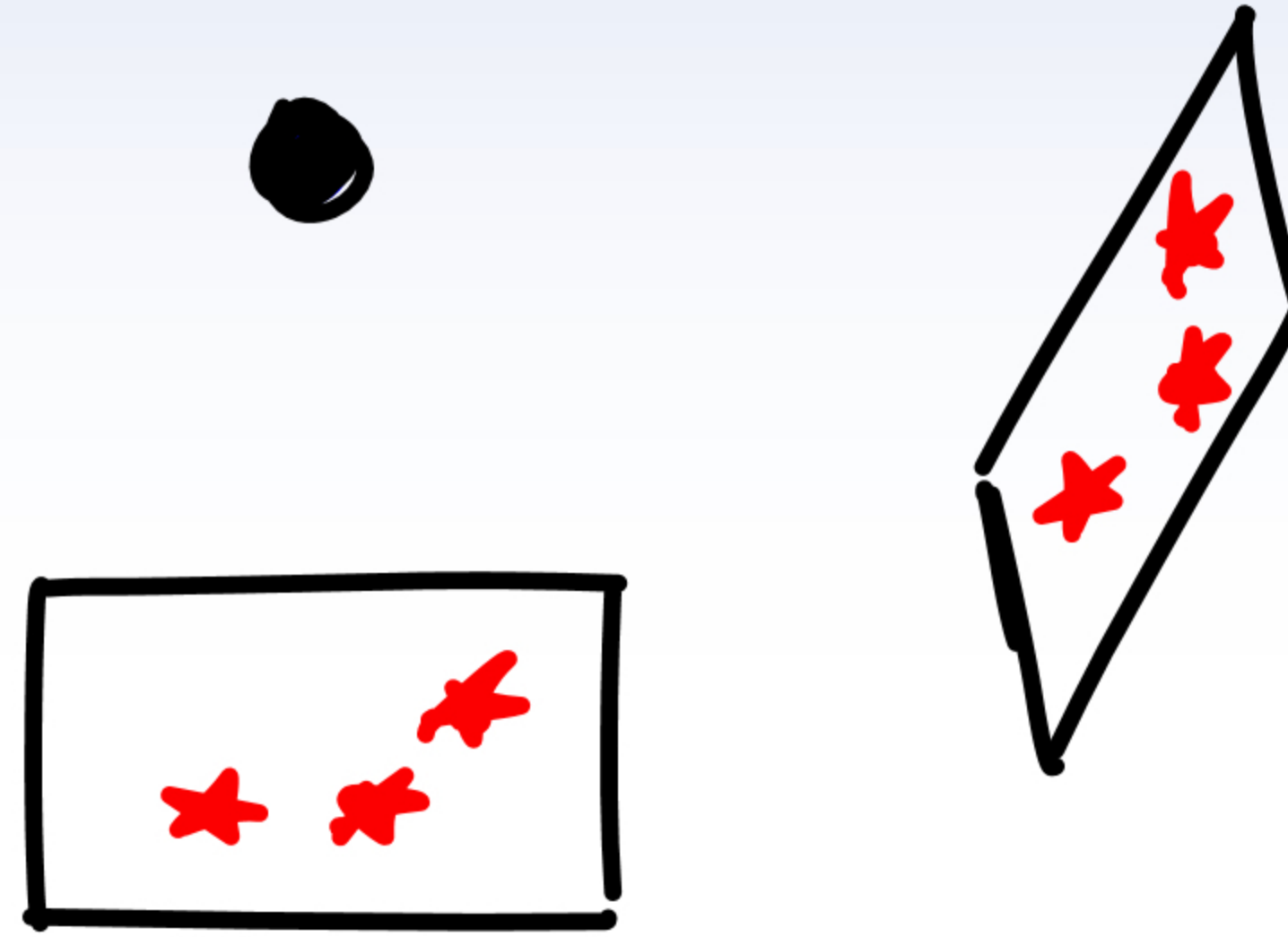
Problems:

- Maintaining timing to avoid angular drift
- Two beams hitting the same sensor at the same time



Position Tracking: Lighthouse (Valve/HTC Valve)

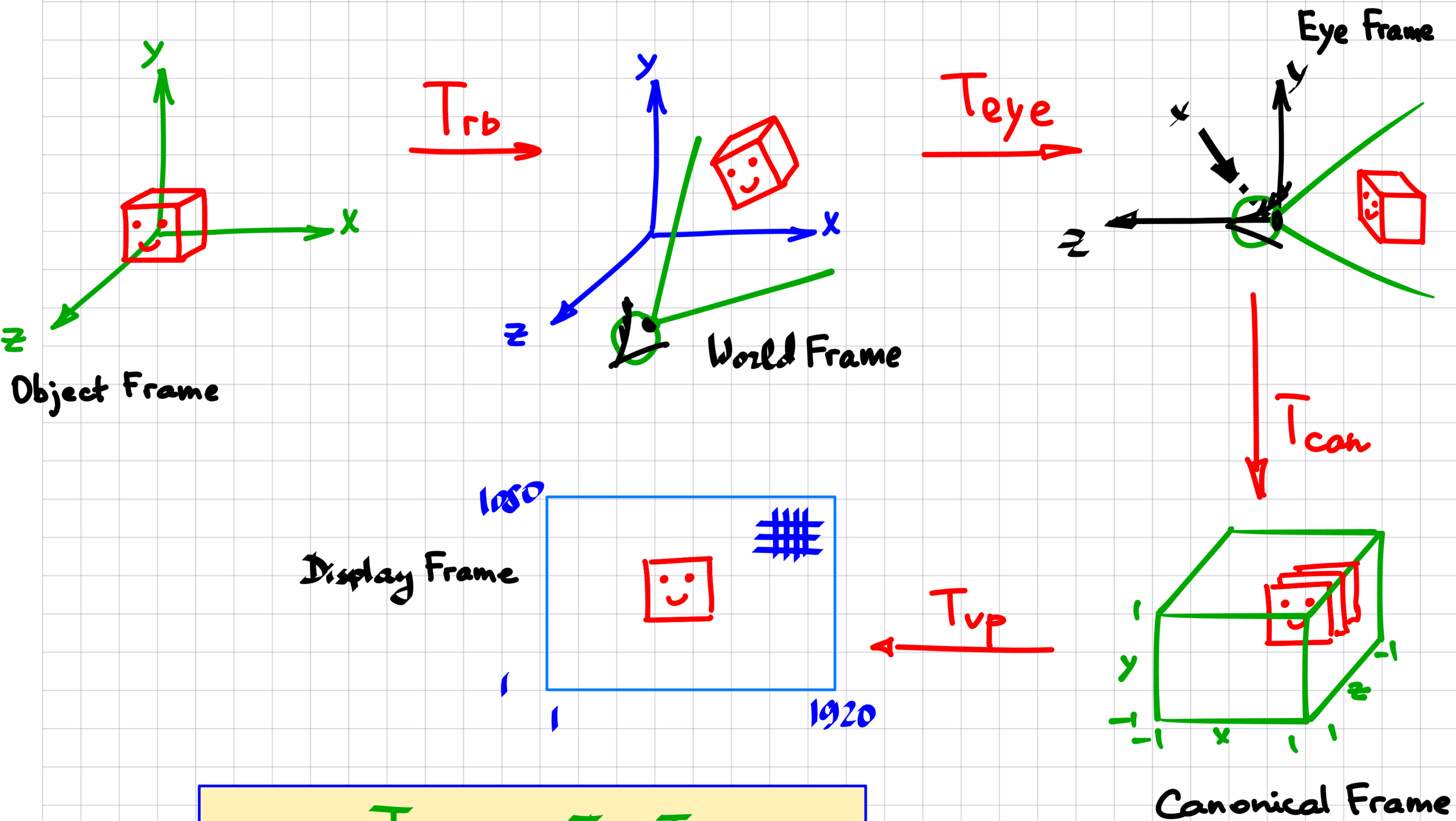
Correcting for angular drift due to timing error:



Solution:

- Flash a bright flash (in IR)
- Received by
- Reset/sync

Rendering



$$T = T_{vp} \cdot T_{can} \cdot T_{eye} \cdot T_{rb}$$

T_{dist} (green arrow pointing to T_{vp})
 T_L or T_R (green arrow pointing to T_{can})