# Lecture 6.1 <br> Basic epipolar geometry 

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## Weekly overview - Stereo imaging



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- The epipoles are where the baseline intersects the two image planes
- The baseline and epipoles are uniquely defined by the two camera matrices $P_{1}$ and $P_{2}$
- The epipolar plane and epipolar lines depends on the observed point $\boldsymbol{X}$



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- Corresponding points lie on corresponding epipolar lines
- Both epipoles are outside of the visible part of the image planes


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## Summary

- Epipolar geometry
- Epipolar planes
- Epipolar lines
- Epipoles
- Topics ahead
- Stereo imaging
- Representing epipolar geometry
- Estimating epipolar geometry
- 3D from epipolar geometry
- Relative pose from epipolar geometry
- More views...
- Additional reading:
- Szeliski: 11 introduction \& 11.1

