

Announcements

- Midterms graded (handed back at end of lecture)
- Handout (Chap 7, Trucco & Verri)
- Questions on project?
- http://www.dartfish.com/technologies/technologies_stromotion.html

Recovering 3D from images

So far, we've relied on a human to provide depth cues

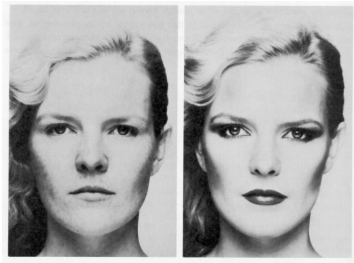
- parallel lines, reference points, etc.

How might we do this automatically?

- What cues in the image provide 3D information?

Visual cues

Shading

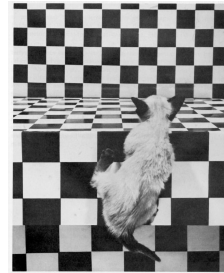


Merle Norman Cosmetics, Los Angeles

Visual cues

Shading

Texture



The Visual Cliff, by William Vandivert, 1960

Visual cues

Shading

Texture

Focus



From *The Art of Photography*, Canon

Visual cues

Shading

Texture

Focus

Motion



Visual cues

Shading

Texture

Focus

Motion

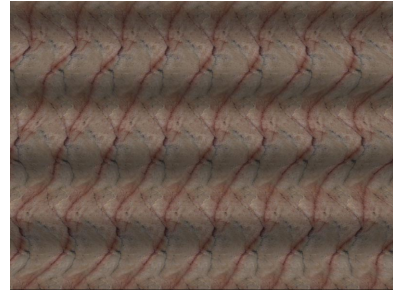
Others:

- Highlights
- Shadows
- Silhouettes
- Inter-reflections
- Symmetry
- Light Polarization
- ...

Shape From X

- X = shading, texture, focus, motion, ...
- In this class we'll focus on the motion cue

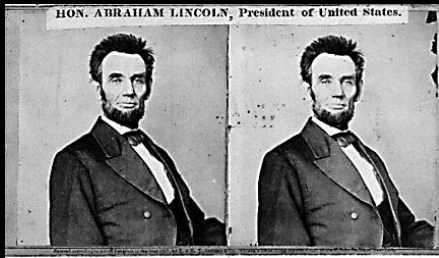
Stereo



Single image stereogram, by [Niklas Eén](#)

Readings

- Trucco & Verri, Chapter 7 (handout)
 - Read through 7.3.2, also 7.3.7 and 7.4, 7.4.1. The rest is optional.



Public Library, Stereoscopic Looking Room, Chicago, by Phillips, 1923



Teesta suspension bridge-Darjeeling, India



Mark Twain at Pool Table", no date, UCR Museum of Photography

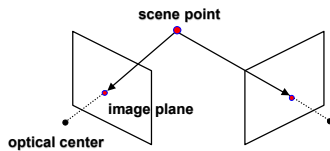


Stereograms online

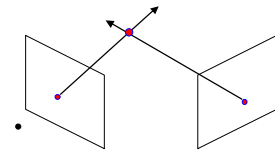
- UCR stereographs
 - <http://www.cmp.ucr.edu/site/exhibitions/stereo/>
- The Art of Stereo Photography
 - <http://www.photostuff.co.uk/stereo.htm>
- History of Stereo Photography
 - http://www.rpi.edu/~ruiz/stereo_history/text/historystereog.html
- Double Exposure
 - <http://home.centurytel.net/s3dcor/index.html>
- Stereo Photography
 - <http://www.shortcourses.com/book01/chapter09.htm>
- 3D Photography links
 - <http://www.studyweb.com/links/5243.html>
- National Stereoscopic Association
 - <http://204.248.144.203/3dLibrary/welcome.html>
- Books on Stereo Photography
 - <http://userwww.sfsu.edu/~hl/3d.biblio.html>

A free pair of red-blue stereo glasses can be ordered from [Rainbow Symphony Inc](http://www.rainbowsymphony.com/freesstuff.html)

Stereo



Stereo



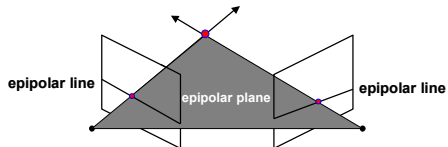
Basic Principle: Triangulation

- Gives reconstruction as intersection of two rays
- Requires
 - calibration
 - point correspondence**

Stereo correspondence

Determine Pixel Correspondence

- Pairs of points that correspond to same scene point



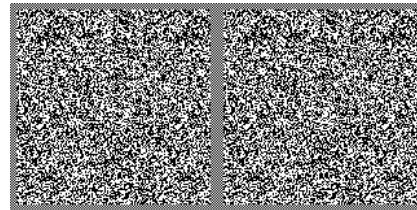
Epipolar Constraint

- Reduces correspondence problem to 1D search along *conjugate epipolar lines*
- Java demo: <http://www.ai.sri.com/~luong/research/Meta3DViewer/EpipolarGeo.html>

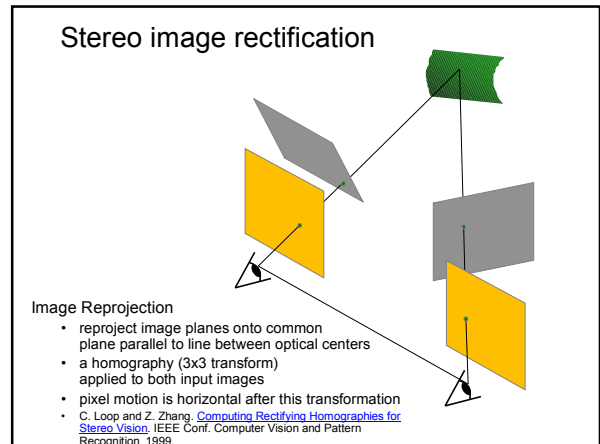
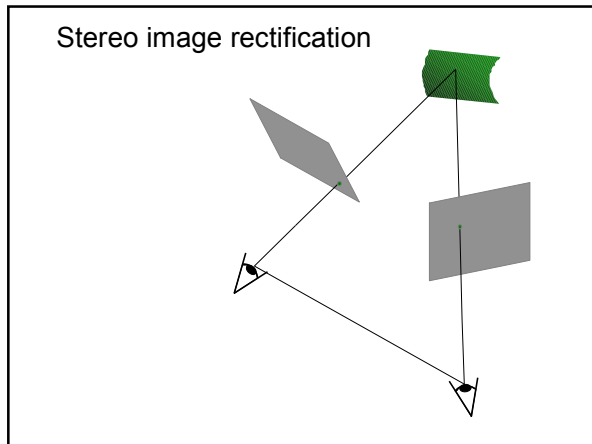
Stereo matching

Features vs. Pixels?

- Do we extract features prior to matching?



Julesz-style Random Dot Stereogram



Stereo matching algorithms

Match Pixels in Conjugate Epipolar Lines

- Assume brightness constancy
- This is a tough problem
- Numerous approaches
 - dynamic programming [Baker 81, Ohta 85]
 - smoothness functionals
 - more images (trinocular, N-ocular) [Okutomi 93]
 - graph cuts [Boykov 00]

Your basic stereo algorithm

For each epipolar line

For each pixel in the left image

- compare with every pixel on same epipolar line in right image
- pick pixel with minimum match cost

Improvement: match **windows**

- This should look familiar...
- Can use Lukas-Kanade or discrete search (latter more common)

Window size

W = 3 W = 20

Effect of window size

- Smaller window
 - more details
 - more noise
- Larger window
 - less noise
 - less detail

Better results with **adaptive window**

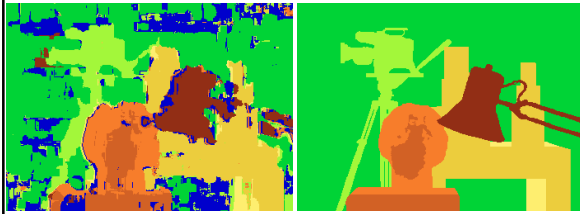
- T. Kanade and M. Okutomi, [A Stereo Matching Algorithm with an Adaptive Window: Theory and Experiment](#), Proc. International Conference on Robotics and Automation, 1991.
- D. Scharstein and R. Szeliski, [Stereo matching with nonlinear diffusion](#), International Journal of Computer Vision, 28(2):155-174, July 1998

Stereo results

- Data from University of Tsukuba
- Similar results on other images without ground truth

Scene Ground truth

Results with window correlation



Window-based matching
(best window size)

Ground truth

Depth from disparity

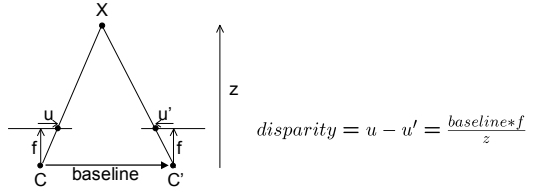
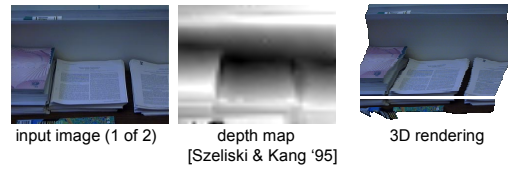
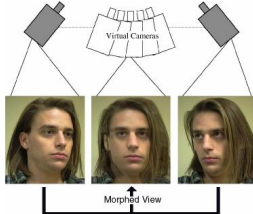


Image-based rendering



Render new views from raw disparity

- S. M. Seitz and C. R. Dyer, [View Morphing](#), Proc. SIGGRAPH 96, 1996, pp. 21-30.
- L. McMillan and G. Bishop, [Plenoptic Modeling: An Image-Based Rendering System](#), Proc. of SIGGRAPH 95, 1995, pp. 39-46.

Stereo reconstruction pipeline

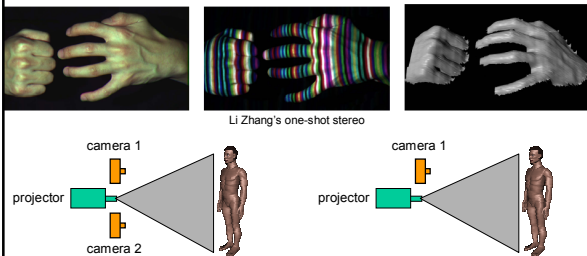
Steps

- Calibrate cameras
- Rectify images
- Compute disparity
- Estimate depth

What will cause errors?

- Camera calibration errors
- Poor image resolution
- Occlusions
- Violations of brightness constancy (specular reflections)
- Large motions
- Low-contrast image regions

Active stereo with structured light

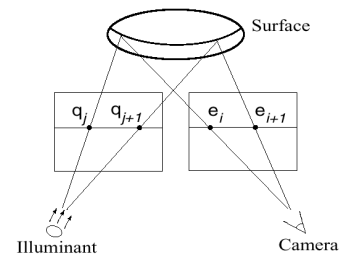


Li Zhang's one-shot stereo

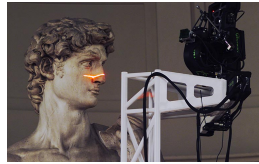
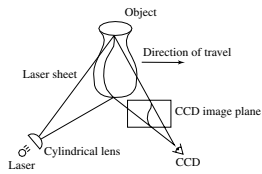
Project "structured" light patterns onto the object

- simplifies the correspondence problem

Active stereo with structured light



Laser scanning



Digital Michelangelo Project
<http://graphics.stanford.edu/projects/mich/>

Optical triangulation

- Project a single stripe of laser light
- Scan it across the surface of the object
- This is a very precise version of structured light scanning

Real-time stereo



Nomad robot searches for meteorites in Antarctica
<http://www.frc.ri.cmu.edu/projects/meteorobot/index.html>

real-time
stereo video

Used for robot navigation (and other tasks)

- Several software-based real-time stereo techniques have been developed (most based on simple discrete search)

Summary

Things to take away from this lecture

- Cues for 3D inference, shape from X
- Epipolar geometry
- Stereo image rectification
- Stereo matching
 - window-based epipolar search
 - effect of window size
 - sources of error
- Active stereo
 - structured light
 - laser scanning