

# Tracking for VR and AR

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# Overview

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Gyroscopes

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Positional Tracking

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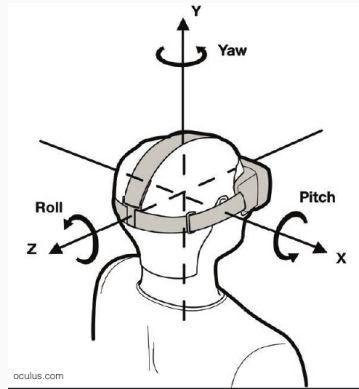
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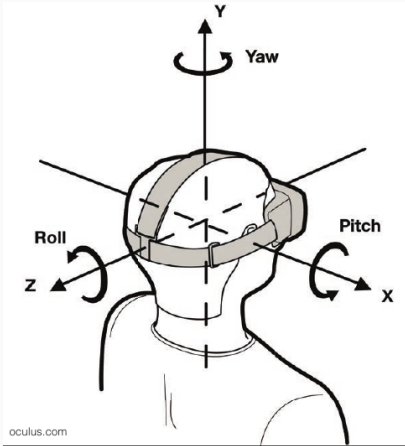
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- VR and AR systems should
  - (**VR,AR**) be interactive in real time through multiple sensorial channels (vision, sound, touch, smell, taste)
  - (**AR**) combine real and virtual objects
  - (**AR**) register real and virtual objects
- Registration is one of the most basic problems currently limiting augmented reality

# What do we track?

- Goal: Track pose of headset, controller, etc.
- What is a pose?
  - 3D position of the tracked object
  - 3D orientation of the tracked object
- Why? So we can map the movement of our head to the motion of camera in a virtual environment - eg motion parallax.





- Goal: Track pose of headset
- Orientation is the rotation of device w.r.t. world or inertial frame
- $p' = M_{vp}M_{proj}M_{cam}M_mP$
- $M_{cam} = RT$

# Inertial Sensors

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## Modern VR devices

- Oculus Rift has an accelerometer, gyroscope, magnetometer, camera.
- HTC Vive has an accelerometer, gyroscope, Lighthouse laser tracking system, front-facing camera.

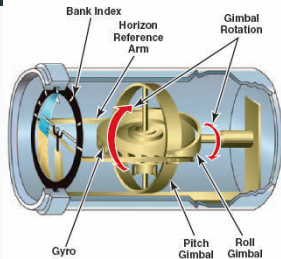
## What do Inertial Sensors measure?

- gyroscope measures angular velocity  $\tilde{\omega}$  in degrees/sec.
- accelerometer measures linear acceleration  $\tilde{a}$  in  $\text{m}/\text{sec}^2$ .
- magnetometer measures magnetic field strength  $\tilde{m}$  in Gauss (or Tesla).



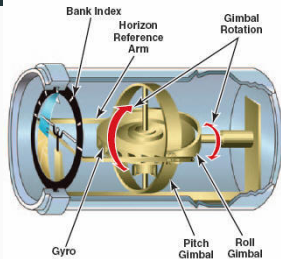
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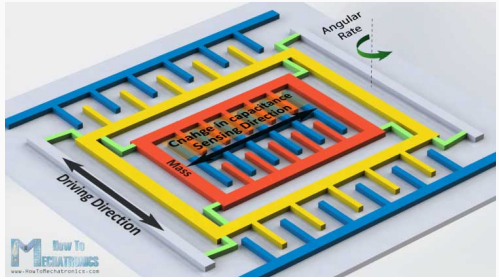
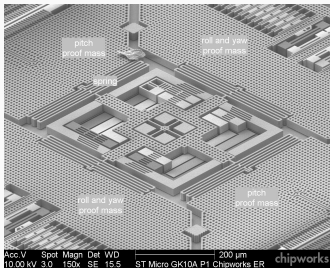
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- How? conservation of angular momentum



# MEMS Gyroscopes

- today we use microelectromechanical systems (MEMS)
- measures angular rate using the Coriolis Effect



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eqZgxr6eRjo>

# Gyroscopes

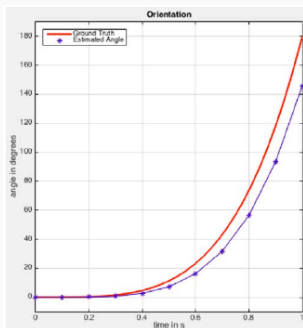
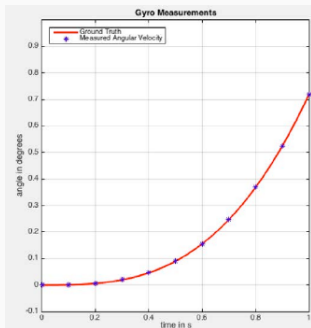
- gyro model:  $\tilde{\omega} = a\omega + b + \eta$ 
  - $\omega$  is true angular velocity
  - $a$  is scalar
  - $b$  is bias, temperature dependent but approximated as a const
  - $\eta \approx N(0, \sigma_{gyro}^2)$  is zero-mean Gaussian noise
- 3 DOF
- calibrate:
  - assume that you have a pre-calibrated one  $\tilde{\omega}'$
  - minimise  $\sum_i^n (\tilde{\omega}_i - \tilde{\omega}'_i)^2$  and find optimal  $a^*, b^*, \sigma_{gyro}^*$
  - $\omega_{cal} = a^*\omega + b^* + \eta^*$

# Gyroscopes

- integrate:  $\tilde{\theta}[k] = \theta(0) + \sum_i^k \omega_{cal}[i]\Delta t$

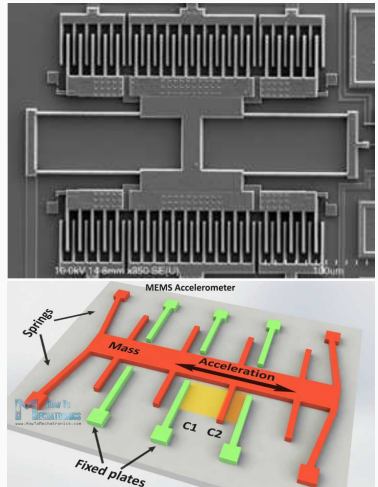
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- integrate:  $\tilde{\theta}[k] = \theta(0) + \sum_i^k \omega_{cal}[i]\Delta t$
- works well for linear motion
- drift in nonlinear motion
- accurate in short term



# Accelerometers

- MEMS
- a mass attached to a spring
- acceleration by measuring change in capacitance
- measure linear acceleration:  
 $\tilde{a} = a^{(g)} + a^{(l)} + \eta$ 
  - $a^{(g)}$  is gravity vector with magnitude  $9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$
  - $\eta \approx N(0, \sigma_{acc}^2)$  is zero-mean Gaussian noise



# Accelerometers

## Pros

- points up on average with magnitude of 1g
- accurate in long term, no drift, center of gravity doesn't move

## Cons

- noisy measurements
- unreliable in short run due to motion and noise

## Complimentary to gyroscope

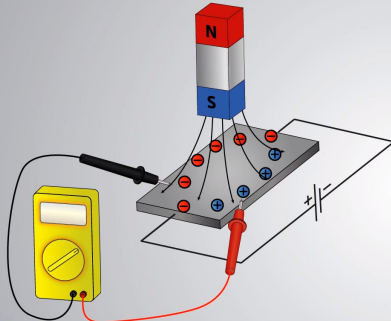
- fusing gyro and accelerometer gives 6 DOF
- tilt correction (pitch and roll)



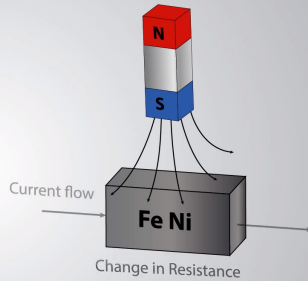
# Magnetometers

## MEMS Magnetometer

### Hall Effect



### Magneto-resistive effect



# Magnetometers

- measure magnetic field in Gauss or micro Tesla units
- 3 DOF
- Pros
  - together with gyro, accelerometer 9 DOF
- Cons
  - actual direction depends on latitude and longitude
  - distortions due to metal objects

# Positional Tracking

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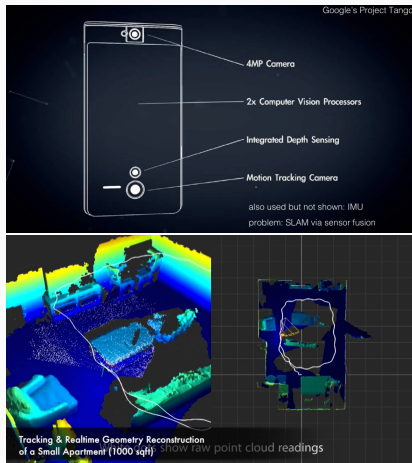
**inside-out tracking:** camera or sensor is located on HMD, no need for other external devices to do tracking

- simultaneous localization and mapping (SLAM) – classic computer & robotic vision problem (beyond this class)

**outside-in tracking:** external sensors, cameras, or markers are required (i.e. tracking constrained to specific area)

- used by most VR headsets right now, but ultimate goal is insight-out tracking

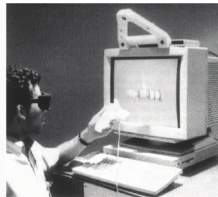
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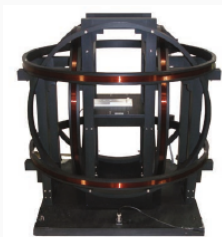
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qe10ExwzCqk>

# Outside-in tracking

- mechanical tracking
- ultra-sonic tracking
- magnetic tracking
- GPS
- WIFI
- optical



Logitech 6DOF



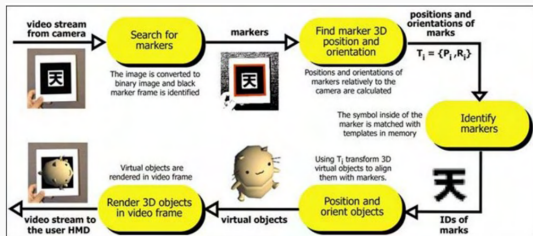
3 axis Helmholtz coil  
[www.directvacuum.com](http://www.directvacuum.com)



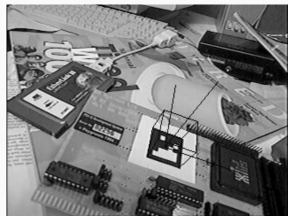
Oculus Rift  
<https://www.ifixit.com/Teardown/Oculus+Rift+CV1+Teardown/60612>

# Marker Based Tracking

- Seminal papers by Rekimoto 1998 and Kato & Billinghurst 1999
- ARToolkit and OpenCV+OpenGL



ARToolKit Pipeline



Rekimoto Matrix

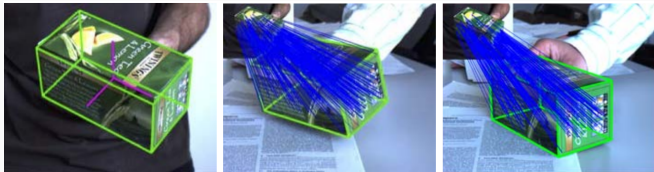
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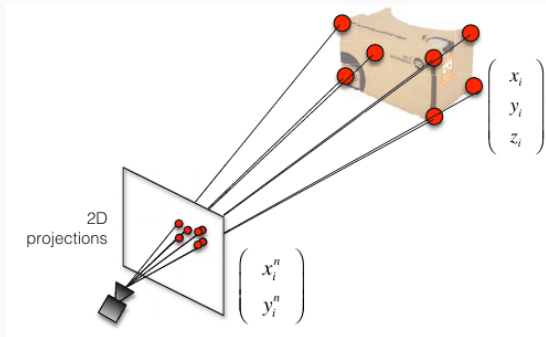
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- Find natural markers (invariant to scale and rotation)
- Feature extraction → descriptor → feature matching



Scale Invariant Feature Transform (SIFT) [Lowe 1999]

# Pose estimation

- how to get project 2D coordinates?
- image formation
- estimate linear homography
- estimate pose from homography

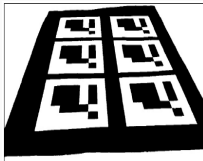


# How to get project 2D coordinates

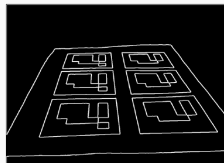
## Marker detection



1. Print/Take a picture



2. Binarise



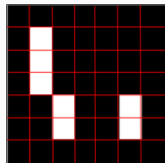
3. Find Contours



4. Warp



5. Threshold (Otsu)



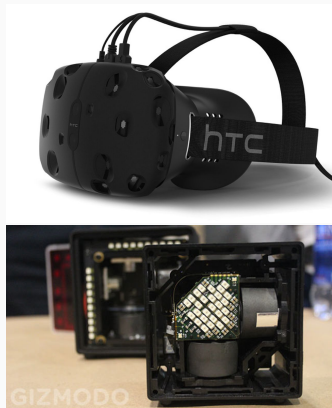
6. Identify

# How to get project 2D coordinates

## HTC Lighthouse

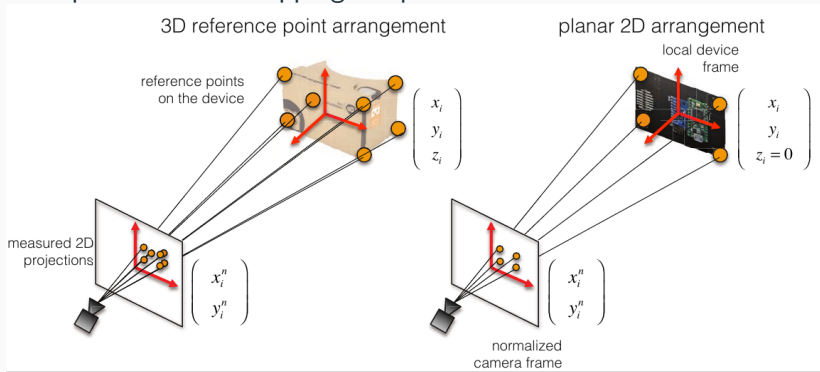
- Photosensor on the headset
- LEDs and spinning lasers
- Where and when the beam hit the photosensor

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J54dotTt7k0>



# Image formation

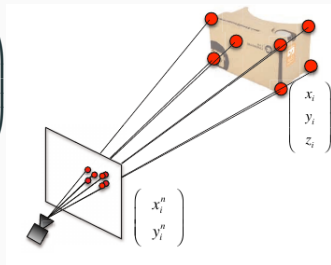
a simple model for mapping 3D point coords to 2D



# Image formation – 3D arrangement

## 1. transform 3D point into view space:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_i^c \\ y_i^c \\ z_i^c \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{projection matrix}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & t_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & t_y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & t_z \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{rotation \& translation}} \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ z_i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



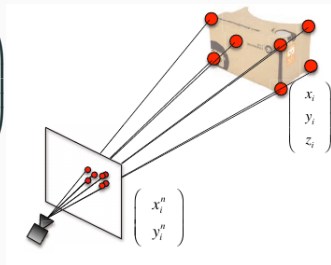
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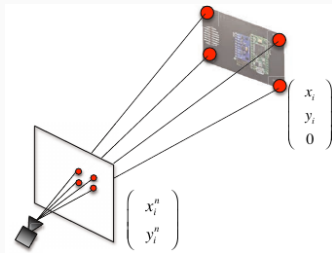
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What happened to my old  $p' = M_{vp} M_{proj} M_{cam} M_m p$ ?

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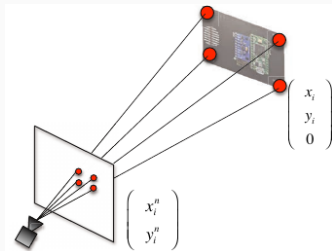


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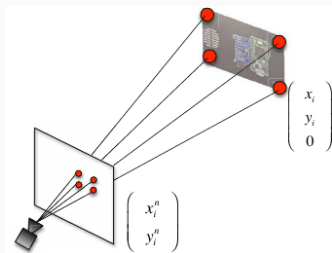


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One can scale homography and get the same 3D-to-2D mapping

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_i^n \\ y_i^n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x_i^c}{z_i^c} \\ \frac{y_i^c}{z_i^c} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{sh_1 x_i + sh_2 y_i + sh_3}{sh_7 x_i + sh_8 y_i + sh_8} \\ \frac{sh_4 x_i + sh_5 y_i + sh_6}{sh_7 x_i + sh_8 y_i + sh_8} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Computing homography matrix

- estimate a scaled version of homography matrix ( $h_9 = 1$ )
- we will recover scale factor  $s$  later

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**Reorder**

$$h_1 x_i + h_2 y_i + h_3 - h_7 x_i x_i^n - h_8 y_i x_i^n = x_i^n$$

$$h_4 x_i + h_5 y_i + h_6 - h_7 x_i y_i^n - h_8 y_i y_i^n = y_i^n$$

# Computing homography matrix

- For 8 unknowns, we need 4 3D-2D pairs

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -x_1x_1^n & -y_1x_1^n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_1 & y_1 & 1 & -x_1x_1^n & -y_1y_1^n \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -x_2x_2^n & -y_2x_2^n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_2 & y_2 & 1 & -x_2x_2^n & -y_2y_2^n \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -x_3x_3^n & -y_3x_3^n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_3 & y_3 & 1 & -x_3x_3^n & -y_3y_3^n \\ x_4 & y_4 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -x_4x_4^n & -y_4x_4^n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_4 & y_4 & 1 & -x_4x_4^n & -y_4y_4^n \end{pmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \\ h_3 \\ h_4 \\ h_5 \\ h_6 \\ h_7 \\ h_8 \end{pmatrix}}_h = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x_1^n \\ y_1^n \\ x_2^n \\ y_2^n \\ x_3^n \\ y_3^n \\ x_4^n \\ y_4^n \end{pmatrix}}_b$$

- Solve  $Ah = b$



## Pose estimation from homography matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & t_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & t_y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & t_z \end{pmatrix} = s \begin{pmatrix} h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \\ h_4 & h_5 & h_6 \\ h_7 & h_8 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**this gives us**

$$t_x = sh_3, \quad t_y = sh_6, \quad t_z = -s.$$

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## Rotation matrices are orthonormal

- $\sqrt{r_{11}^2 + r_{21}^2 + r_{31}^2} = 1$  and  $\sqrt{r_{12}^2 + r_{22}^2 + r_{32}^2} = 1$
- normalize homography

$$s = \frac{2}{\sqrt{h_1^2 + h_4^2 + h_7^2} + \sqrt{h_2^2 + h_5^2 + h_8^2}}$$

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### 1. Normalize first col of rotation mat

$$\tilde{r}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_4 \\ -h_7 \end{pmatrix}, \quad r_1 = \frac{\tilde{r}_1}{\|\tilde{r}_1\|_2}$$

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## 2. Normalize second col after orthogonalization

$$\tilde{r}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} h_2 \\ h_5 \\ -h_8 \end{pmatrix}, \quad r_2 = \frac{r_1 \times \tilde{r}_2}{\|r_1 \times \tilde{r}_2\|_2}$$

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**3. Get third one from cross product**

$$r_3 = r_1 \times r_2$$

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## Finally angles

$$r_{32} = \sin(\theta_x)$$

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- Combine with inertial sensor predictions ( $\beta$ ), typically done with (extended) Kalman filters

# Camera Calibration

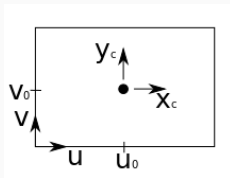
## Coordinates in camera frame

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_i^c \\ y_i^c \\ z_i^c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & t_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & t_y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & t_z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Coordinates in image space (pixels)

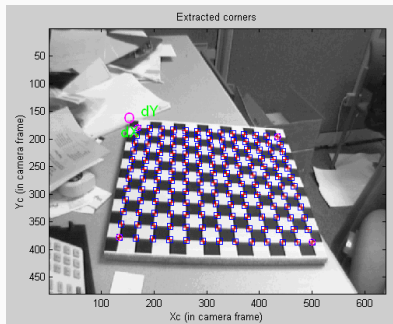
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_i^p \\ y_i^p \end{pmatrix} \approx \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} f_x & s & u_0 \\ 0 & f_y & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_K \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & t_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & t_y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & t_z \end{pmatrix}}_H \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $f_x, f_y$ : focal length
- $u_0, v_0$ : principal point
- $s$ : skew



# Camera Calibration

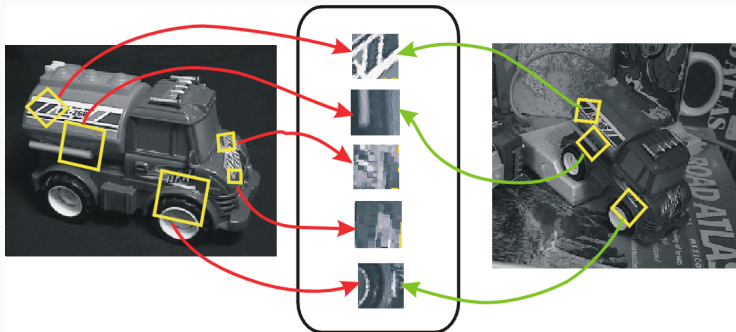
1. print a calibration pattern
2. take pictures
3. extract corners
4. solve  $x^P = Px$  where  
 $P = KH$
5. compute intrinsic  $K$  and  
extrinsic parameters  $H$



# Markerless tracking

## Automatic feature extraction

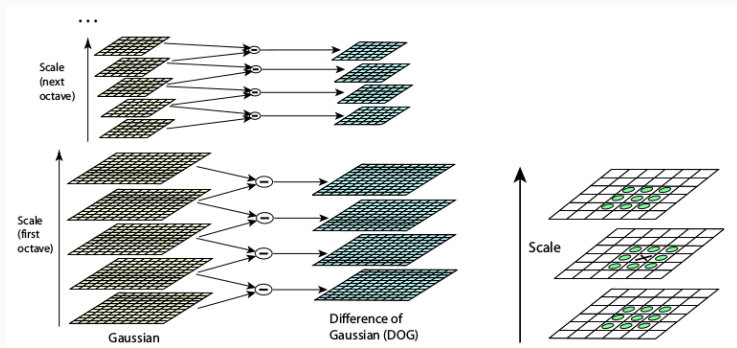
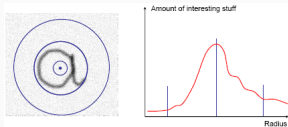
- Keypoint detection (search for locations that are likely to match)
- Descriptor (describe each region around detected keypoint)
- Descriptor Matching (efficiently search for likely matching candidates)



# Scale invariant feature transform (SIFT)

## 1. Scale-space extrema detection [T. Lindeberg 1998]

- Find the points, whose surrounding patches (with some scale) are distinctive





## 2. Orientation Assignment

- Assign an orientation to each keypoint to achieve invariance to rotation
- Compute magnitude and orientation on the Gaussian smoothed images

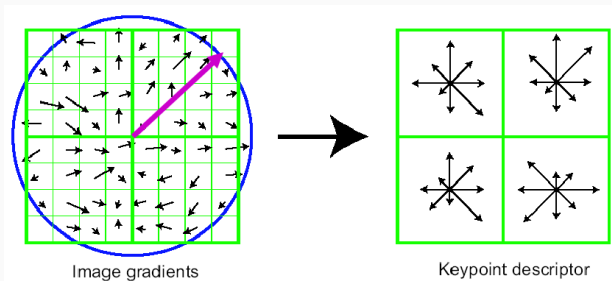
$$m(x, y) = \sqrt{(L(x + 1, y) - L(x - 1, y))^2 + (L(x, y + 1) - L(x, y - 1))^2}$$

$$\theta(x, y) = \text{atan}(L(x + 1, y) - L(x - 1, y)) / (L(x, y + 1) - L(x, y - 1))$$

# Scale invariant feature transform (SIFT)

## 3. Descriptors

- We have location, scale and orientation for each keypoint
- Rotate and scale the local region around each keypoint
- Compute a descriptor ( $4 \times 4$  8 bin histograms)



# Scale invariant feature transform (SIFT)

## 4. Matching – Nearest Neighbour



Template



Target

# Scale invariant feature transform (SIFT)

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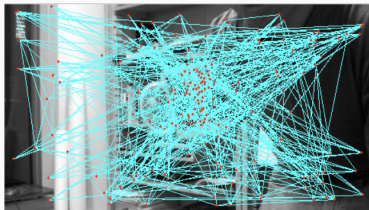
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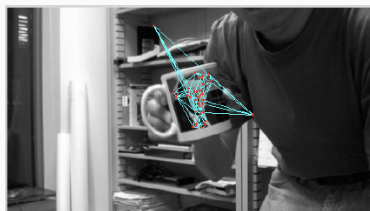
# Scale invariant feature transform (SIFT)

## 4. Matching – Ratio Test

- $x_1$  is the first nearest neighbour to  $x$
- $x_2$  is the second nearest neighbour to  $x$
- $distance(x, x'_1)/distance(x, x'_2) < 0.7$



Template

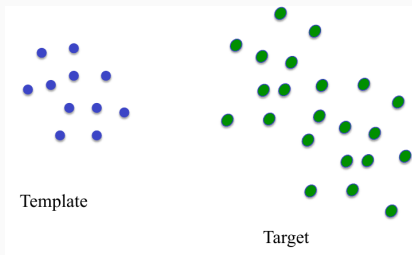


Target

# Scale invariant feature transform (SIFT)

## 4. Matching – RANSAC

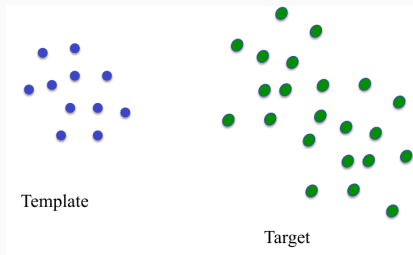
a. Pick three random samples



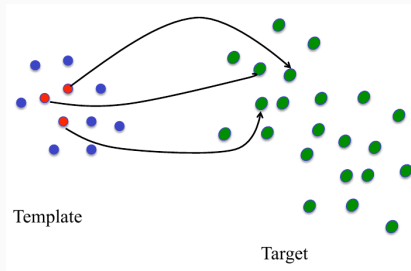
# Scale invariant feature transform (SIFT)

## 4. Matching – RANSAC

a. Pick three random samples



b. Find nearest neighbours



# Scale invariant feature transform (SIFT)

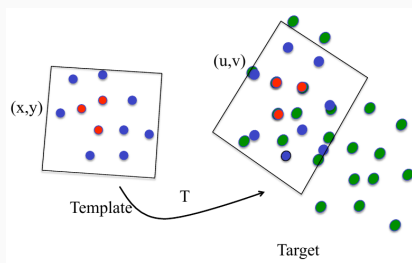
## 4. Matching – RANSAC

c. Iterate  $k$  times

1. Fit a model to inliers

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Calculate inliers and outliers





# Stereo Vision

- *epipole* is the point of intersection of the line joining the camera centres with the image plane
- *epipolar plane* is a plane containing the baseline
- *epipolar line* is the intersection of an epipolar plane with the image plane
- $x'^T F x = 0$  where  $F$  is fundamental matrix

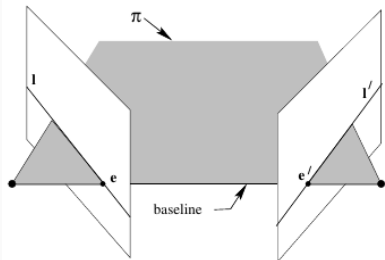


image credit: Hartley & Zisserman.

# Stereo Vision – Rectification



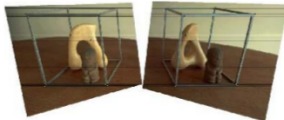
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

- original image pair overlaid with several epipolar lines
- images transformed so that epipolar lines are parallel
- images rectified so that epipolar lines are horizontal and in vertical correspondence
- final rectification that minimizes horizontal distortions

- Read Chapter 6, Szelisky (<http://szeliski.org/Book/>)
- Read Chapter 6, 9, LaValle (<http://vr.cs.uiuc.edu/>)

The End