

Determining the orientation of a RGB camera embedded on a robotic eye

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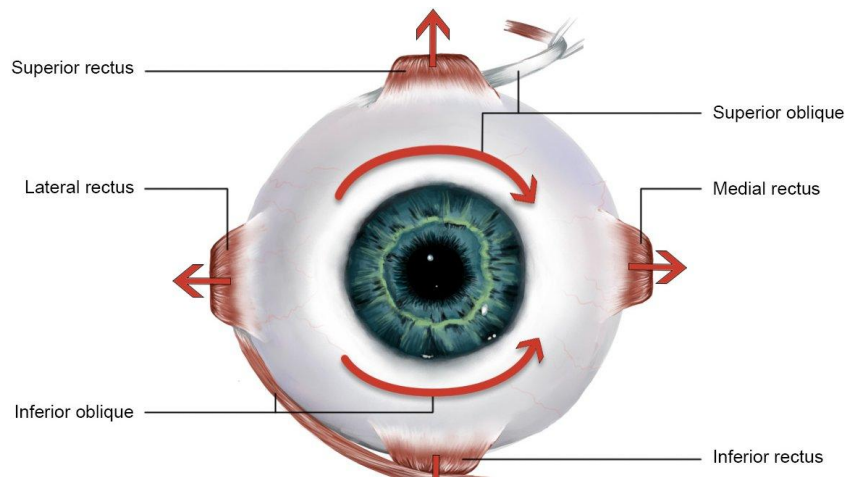
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1. Introduction: Context

How is the eye movement defined?

A humanoid eye-head robot might help us at understanding.



[1]

ORIENT project <http://www.mbfys.ru.nl/johnvo/OrientWeb/orient.html>

[1] Eye Movement. <https://step1.medbullets.com/neurology/113079/eye-movement>. Accessed on November 10th 2019.

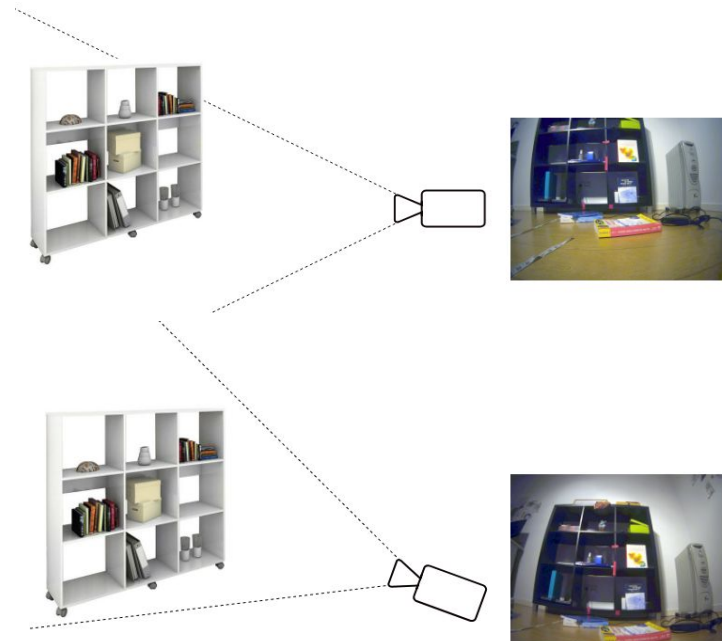
1. Introduction: Problem



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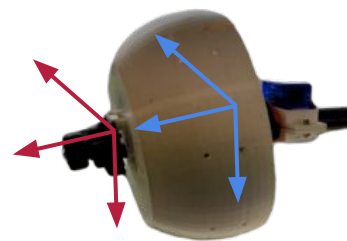
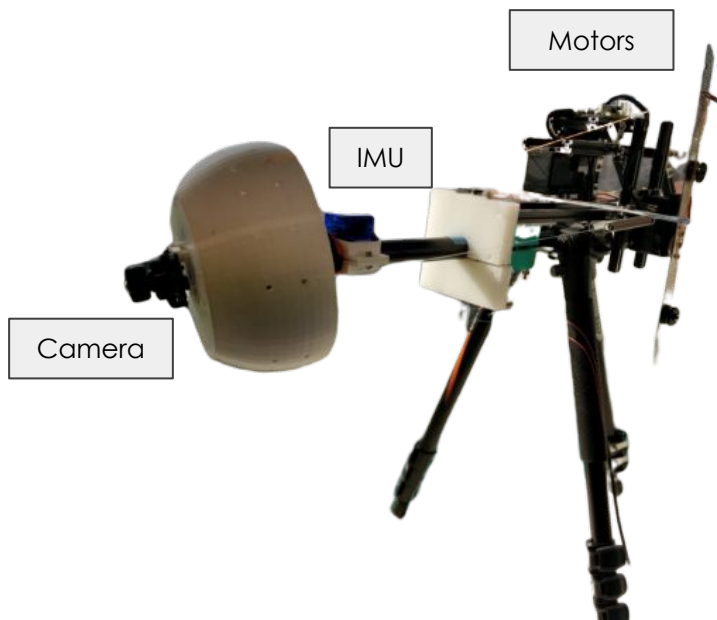
Essential to know eye orientation

IMU is not very accurate due to drift



[2] LPMS-CU. <https://lp-research.com/lpms-cu/>. Accessed on November 10th 2019.

1. Introduction: Problem



There is known translation associated to the camera movement

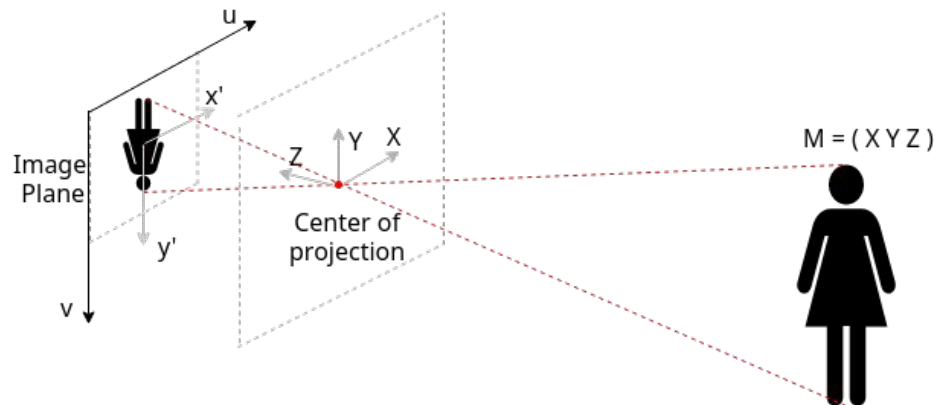
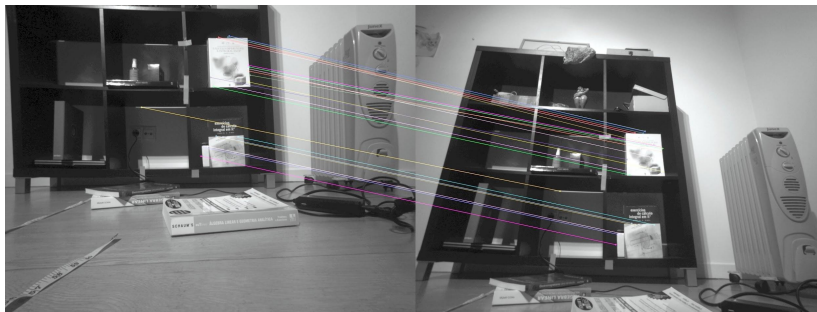
1. Introduction: Objectives

- Develop an algorithm to determine the 3D orientation
- Determine accuracy improvement using the system's constraints
- Understand how different methods behave in the simulator and in real world
- Evaluate the improvement using the camera over the IMU

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2. Background: Camera Model



1) Detect features

2) Find matches

$$\lambda \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_p \sim K[R|t] \tilde{\mathbf{M}}$$

3) Determine orientation

2. Background: Orthogonal Procrustes Problem (OPPR)

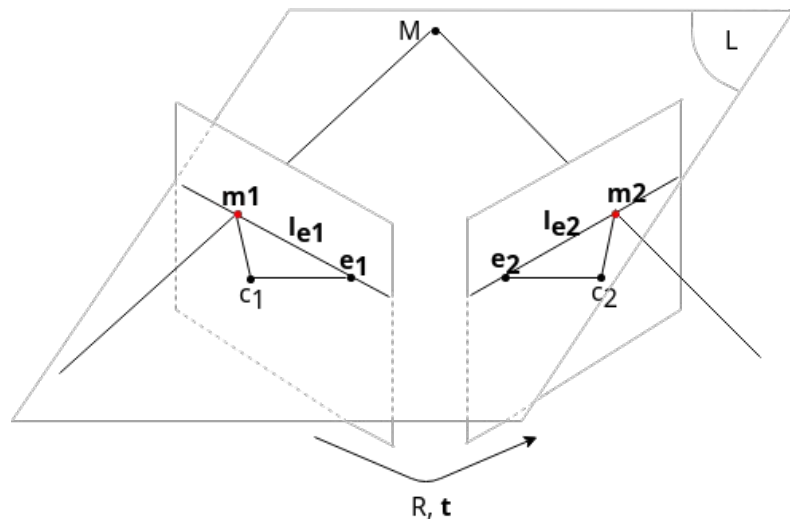


$$\|M_1 - RM_2\|^2$$

$$SVD(M_1 M_2^T)$$

$$R = VU^T$$

2. Background: Epipolar Geometry



Gradient Based Technique (GRAT)

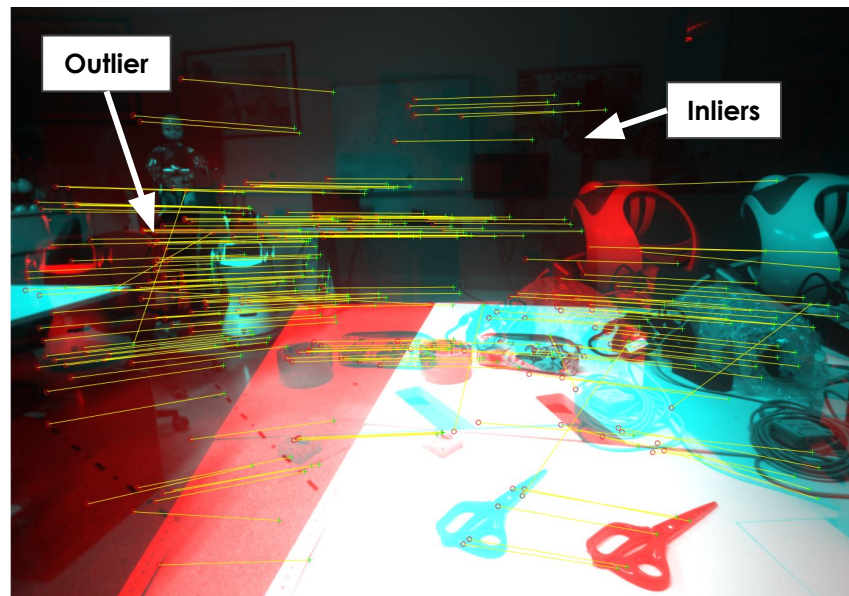
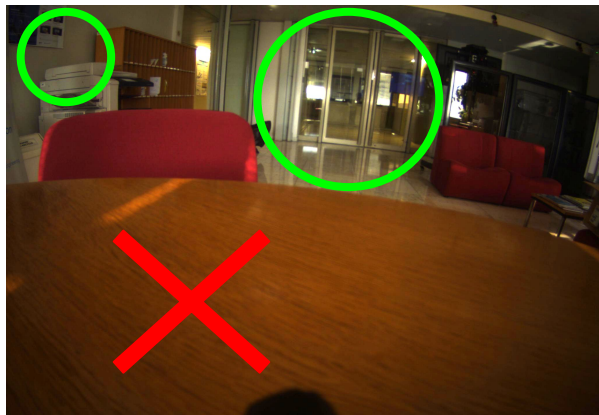
$$\min_F = \sum_i \left(\frac{\widetilde{\mathbf{m}}_{i2}^T F \widetilde{\mathbf{m}}_{i1}}{\sigma_i} \right)^2$$

$$\sigma_i^2 = \left[l_{e1i_x}^2 + l_{e1i_y}^2 + l_{e2i_x}^2 + l_{e2i_y}^2 \right]$$

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{m}}_2^T F \widetilde{\mathbf{m}}_1 = 0 \longrightarrow E = K^T F K \longrightarrow E = [t]_{\times} R$$

2. Background: Robust estimation

Eliminate outliers using
RANSAC +OPPR (pure rotation fit)



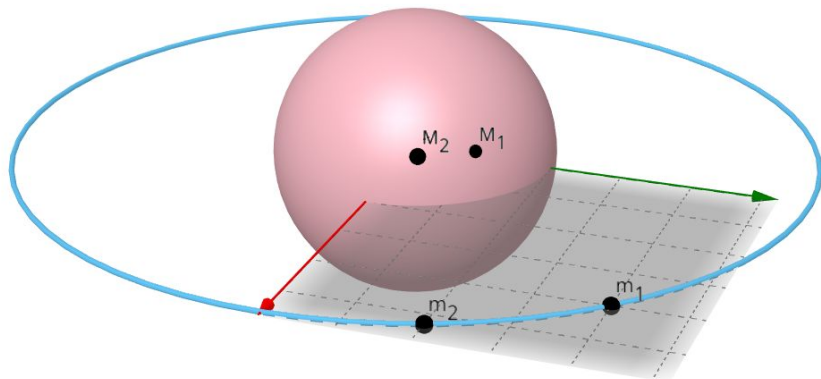
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3. Methods

- Orthogonal Procrustes Problem (OPPR)
- Gradient Based Technique (GRAT) ← Baseline constraint
- Minimization of Backprojection Error (MBPE) ↙

3. Methods: Depth & Orthogonal Procrustes Problem (OPPR)



Ignores translation constraint

Camera has NO depth (λ) information

$$\|M_1 - RM_2\|^2 \leftarrow M_1 = \lambda \tilde{m}_1 \leftarrow \|(\lambda x, \lambda y, \lambda)\| = 1, \lambda = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 1}}$$

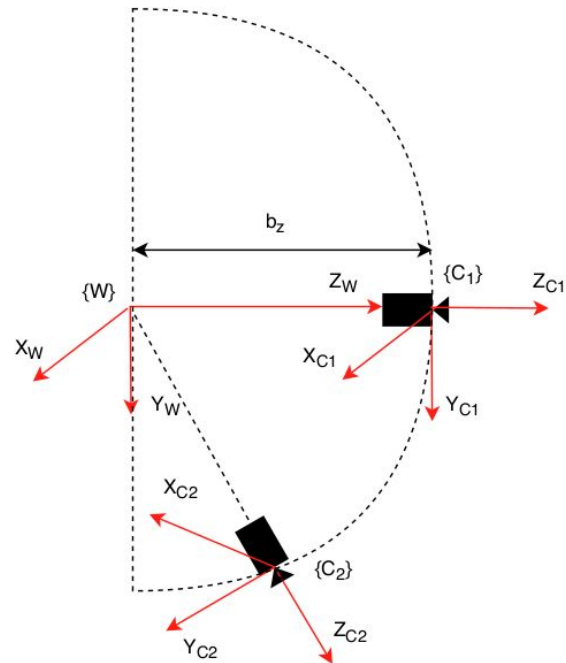
$$\tilde{m}_1 = [x \ y \ 1]^T$$

3. Methods: **Baseline constraint**

$${}^{C_1}T_W = \begin{bmatrix} I & -\mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^{C_2}T_W = \begin{bmatrix} R & -\mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^{C_2}T_{C_1} = {}^{C_2}T_W {}^W T_{C_1} = \begin{bmatrix} R & -\mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R & R\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{t}(R, \mathbf{b}) = (R - I)\mathbf{b}$$



3. Methods: Gradient-based technique

$$\min_R = \sum_i \frac{\widetilde{\mathbf{m}}_{i2}^T F \widetilde{\mathbf{m}}_{i1}}{\sigma_i}$$

$$F = K^{-T} [\mathbf{t}]_{\times} R K^{-1}$$



$$\mathbf{t} = (R - I)\mathbf{b}$$

Baseline constraint

No need to estimate depth

Needs to be initialized....

3. Methods: Minimization of Back Projection Error

$$\min_{\theta, \lambda_1^T, \dots, \lambda_{1n}^T} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[(u_{1i}^r - u_{1i})^2 + (v_{1i}^r - v_{1i})^2 + (u_{2i}^r - u_{2i})^2 + (v_{2i}^r - v_{2i})^2 \right]$$

$$\lambda_1 \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_1^r = K \begin{bmatrix} R^T & -R^T \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} K^{-1} \lambda_2 \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_2$$

$$\mathbf{m}_{1i} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1i} & v_{1i} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_2^r = K \begin{bmatrix} R & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} K^{-1} \lambda_1 \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_1$$

$\mathbf{t} = (R - I)\mathbf{b}$

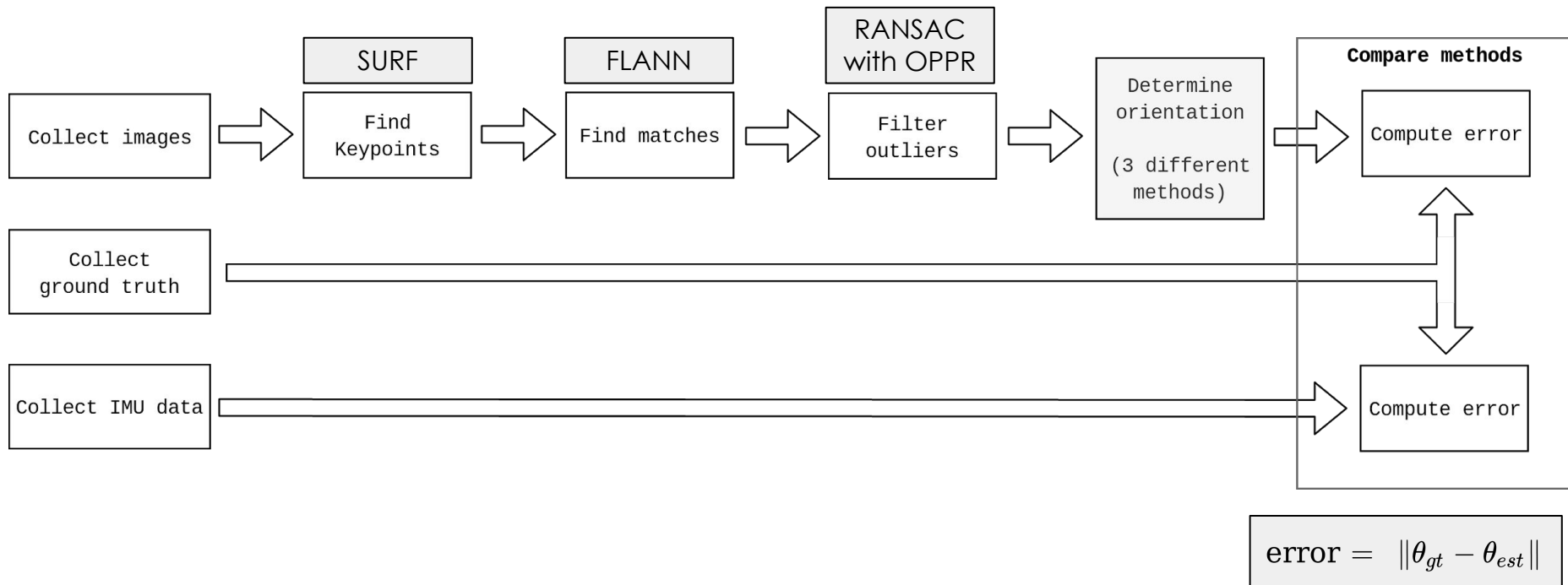
May have more accuracy by adapting depth

Needs to be initialized....

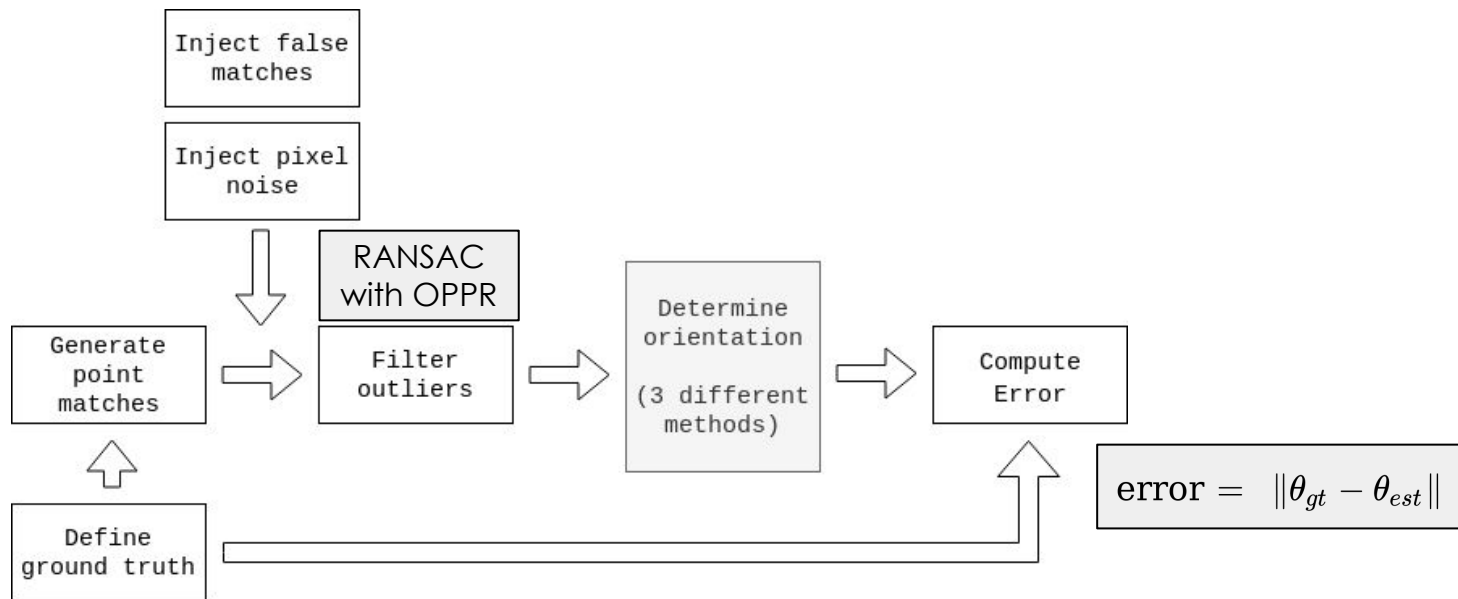
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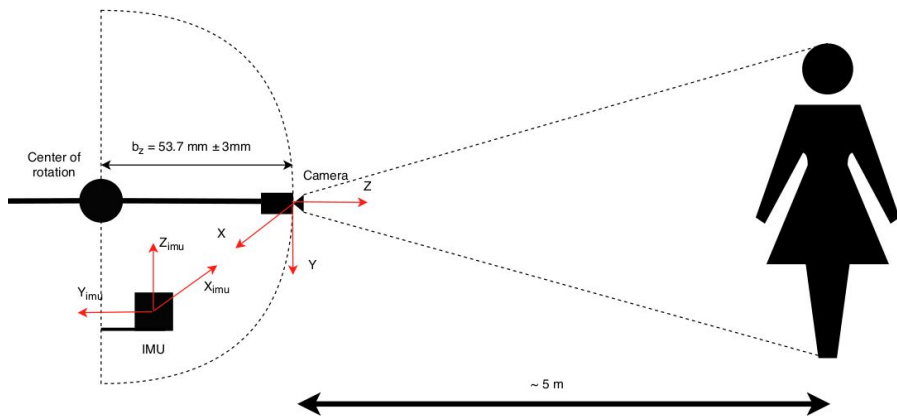
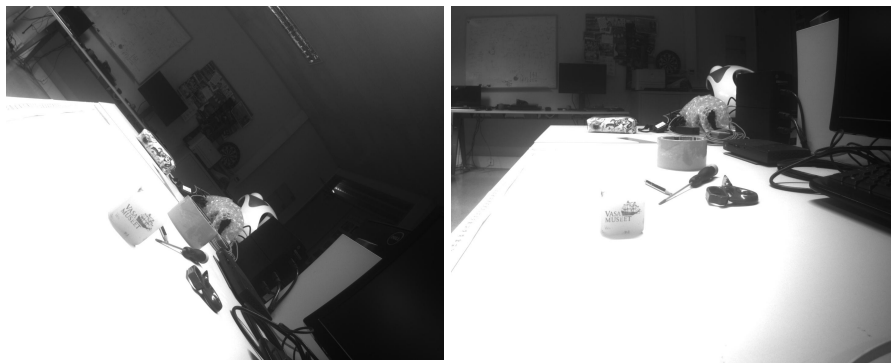


4. Implementation: Simulator



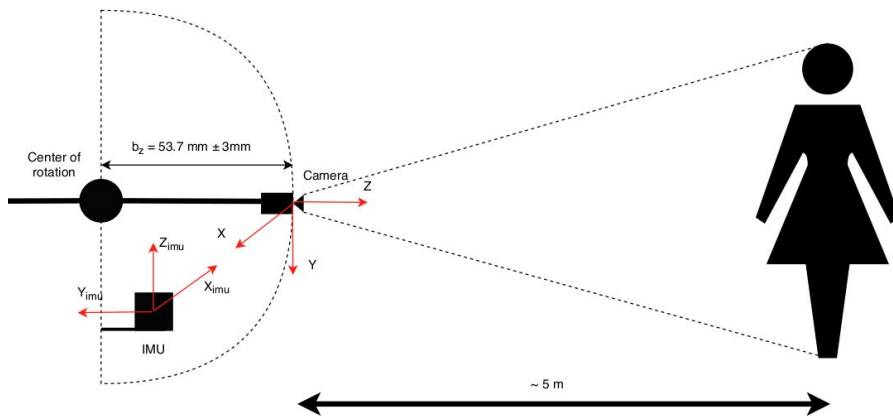
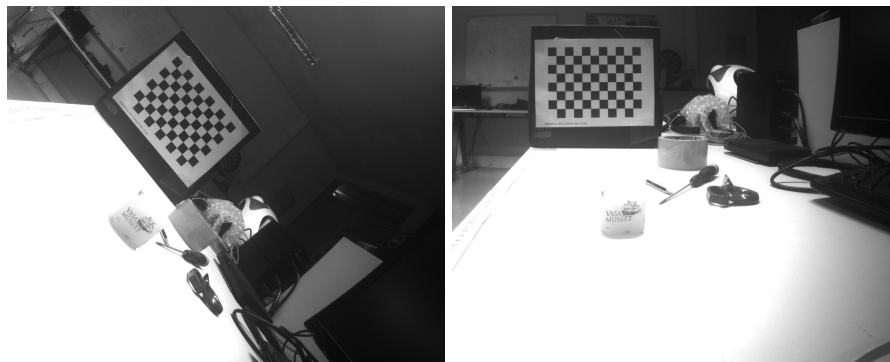
4. Implementation

Collect images
Ueye LE RGB Camera



4. Implementation

Collect ground truth
Matlab library



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5. Results and Discussion: Experiments

Simulator

1. Effect of RANSAC with OPPr
2. Estimation error as a function of rotation amplitude
3. Error per depth
4. Error per pixel noise

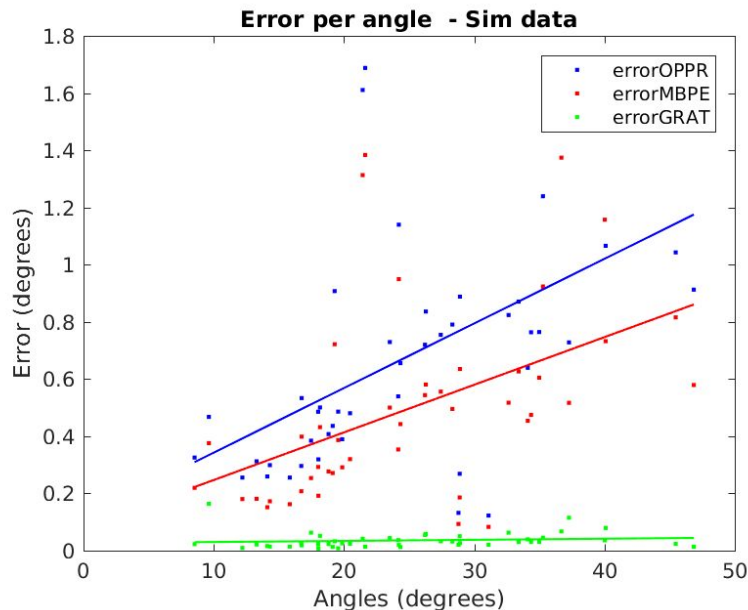
Real data

1. **Camera** Estimation error as a function of rotation amplitude
2. **IMU** estimation error as function of rotation amplitude

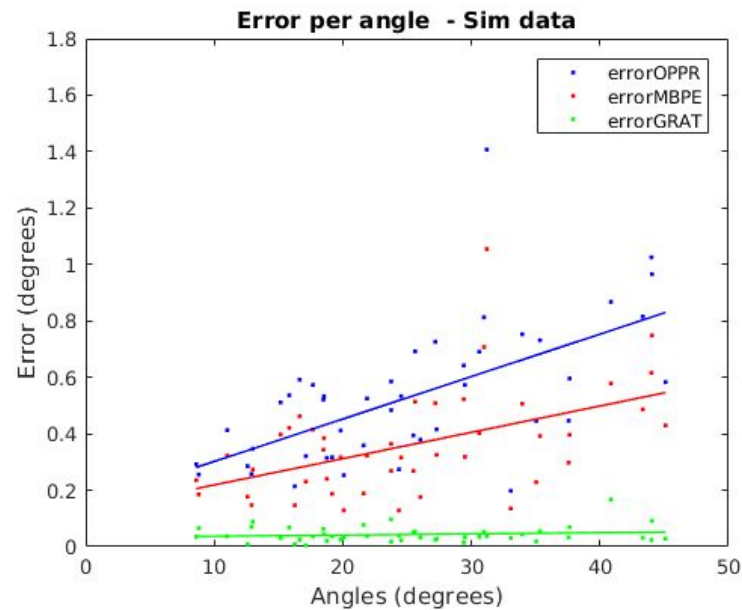
5. Results and Discussion: Simulator

NO noise, NO false matches

Error as a function of amplitude without ...



... and with robust estimation

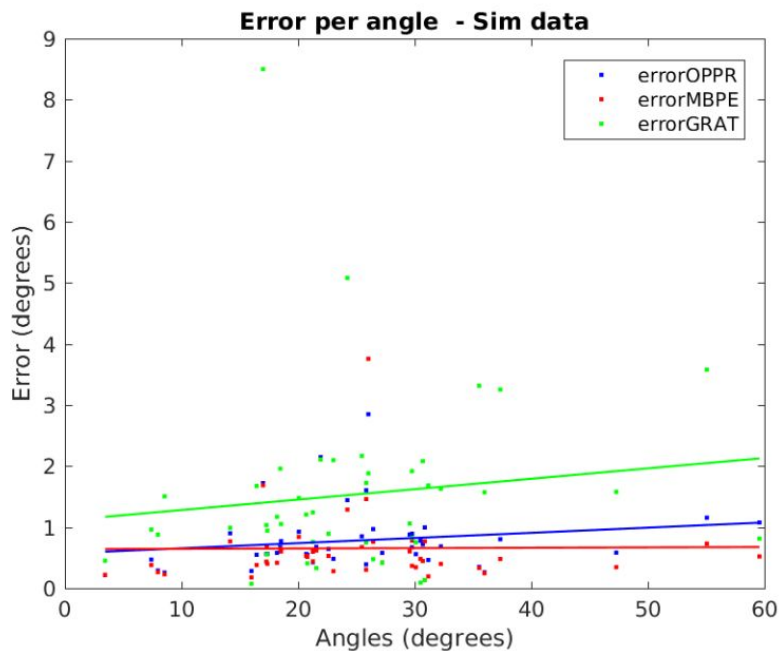


with standard deviation of 15 degrees

5. Results and Discussion: Simulator

With noise, With false matches

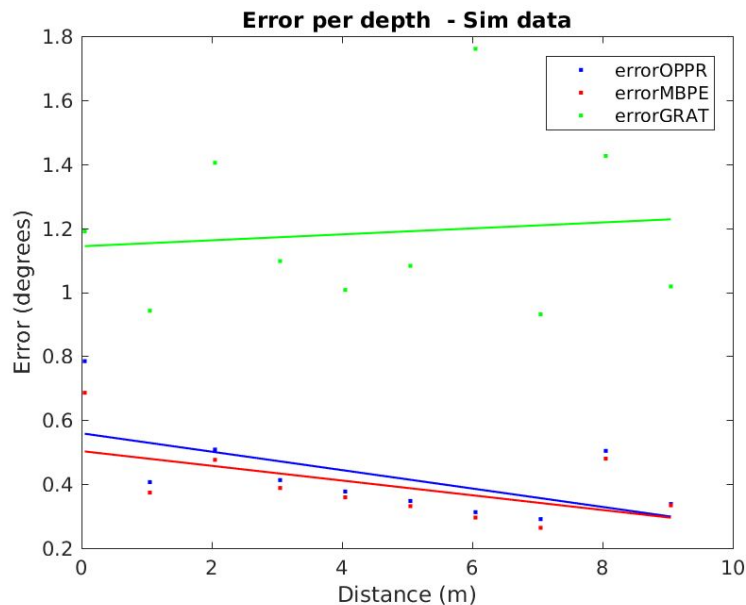
Error as function of amplitude with standard deviation of 15 degrees



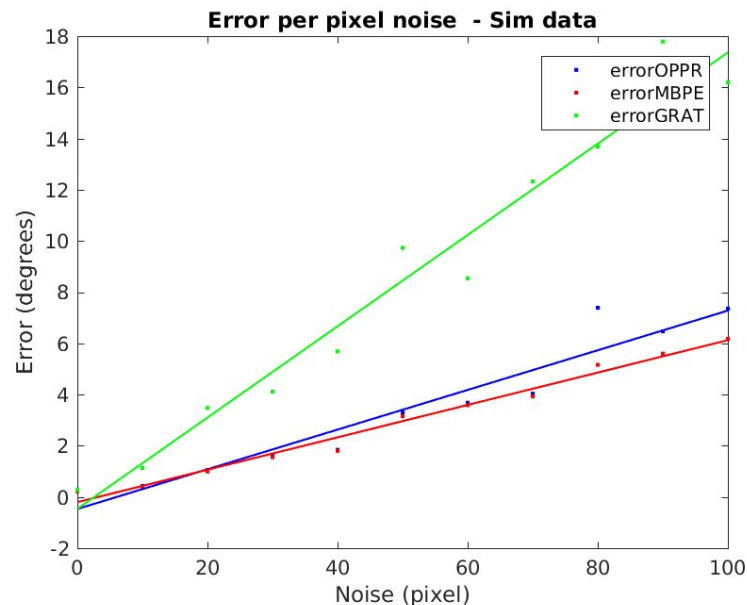
Method	Mean	Standard Deviation
OPPR	0.77 deg	0.49 deg
MBPE	0.65 deg	0.60 deg
GRAT	1.53 deg	1.43 deg

5. Results and Discussion: Simulator

Error per depth



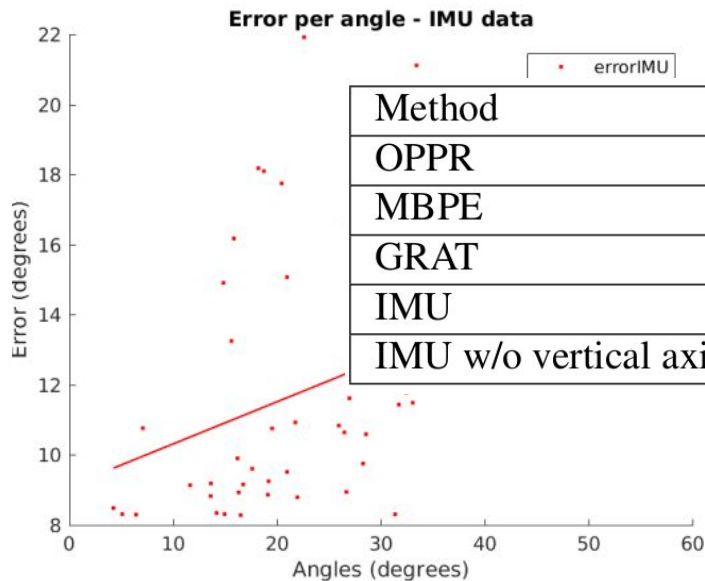
Error per pixel noise



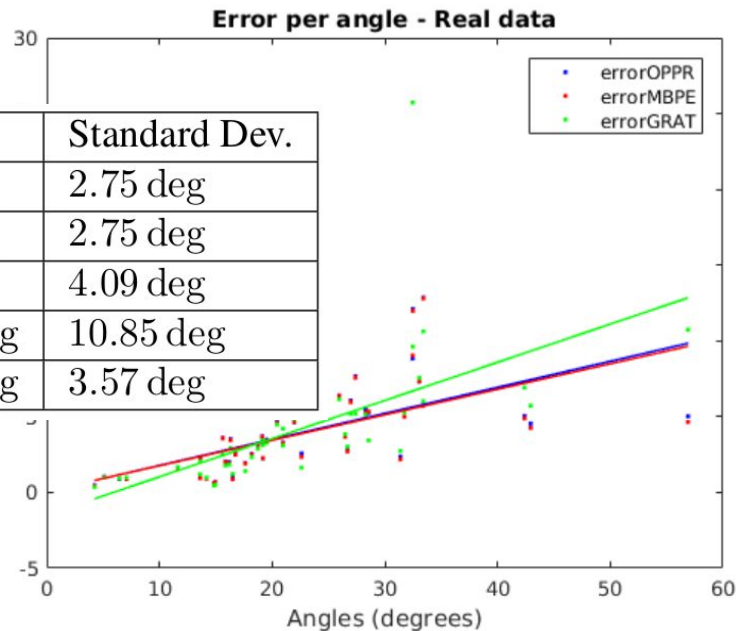
with standard deviation of 4 degrees

5. Results and Discussion: Real data

IMU Error as a function of amplitude



Camera Error as a function of amplitude



5. Results and Discussion: Computational times

Process	Time
Image Capture	120 <i>ms</i>
Undistort + Find Keypoints	421 <i>ms</i>
Find Matches	16 <i>ms</i>
Robust Estimation	10 <i>ms</i>
OPPR	13e−2 <i>ms</i>
MBPE	212 <i>ms</i>
GRAT	51 <i>ms</i>
IMU Estimation	40e−4 <i>ms</i>

Worst case
scenario
567 *ms*

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- OPPr is the **fastest**
- MBPE is equally **accurate** to OPPr, but the **slowest**
- GRAT is the **most sensitive to noise**. Does not work for pure rotations
- RANSAC+OPPr improves the estimation
- IMU is faster than the camera estimation but much less accurate

6. Conclusion: Contributions

- Empirical study on the best method to estimate 3D orientation with this system's particular constraints
- Derivation of the baseline constraint
- A method with better precision than an IMU
- An open-source C++ library for similar contexts within the community
- A matlab simulator

6. Conclusions: **Future work**

Study how using a Kalman Filter on the IMU and camera together
can improve the results in terms of speed

Thank you