Research Log

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March 30, 2016	Established research log after 3 hours of learning new LaTeX
April 2, 2016	Added some additional comments to the **Process**
April 3, 2016	Have been reading [ImageBasedRendering] [1]. **Question for Kamangar:** regarding [ImageBasedRendering] [1] about difference between: • **Camera Plane** : Cooridinates u,v • **Focal Plane** : Cooridinates s,t
April 11, 2016	Reviewing blog articles located at: • `https://erget.wordpress.com/2014/02/01/calibrating-a-stereo-camera-with-opencv/` • `https://erget.wordpress.com/2014/02/28/calibrating-a-stereo-pair-with-python/` • `https://erget.wordpress.com/2014/03/13/building-an-interactive-gui-with-opencv/` • `https://erget.wordpress.com/2014/04/27/producing-3d-point-clouds-with-a-stereo-camera-in-opencv/` for process to get webcam up and running. Previous issues related to fine-tuning *block matching* parameters. Need to review sources at list at bottom of `http://docs.opencv.org/2.4/modules/calib3d/doc/camera_calibration_and_3d_reconstruction.html` to understand.
April 19, 2016	Made adjustments to python for image acquisition scripts (from blogs mentioned on April 11, 2016.) **NOTE:** Consider creating rig with glue to keep stereo camera placement / direction constant.
April 19, 2016	**UPDATE:** Error with `calibrate_cameras` python code causing linux machine to crash. If can't be resolved switch over to MacBook. **NOTE:** Package should be setup by calling `$ python setup.py install`
April 19, 2016	**UPDATE:** Crash due to recursive shell call and was fixed. OpenCV not detecting all chessboard corners. Will try a new board.

April 20, 2016

Did small amount of work on **Change of Reference** section in the paper. Added a section to the intro containing a map of commonly used symbols and notation

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April 29, 2016

Read following sections of [Chen93] [2]:

- Abstract
- Introduction
- Visibility Morphing

SUMMARY: Explicit Geometry is ignored (i.e. surface mesh and 3d-points). Geometry is kept in 2-d. Whereas Image Morphing interpolates between *pixel intensity values in fixed locations* the method in this article interpolates between *pixel locations with (relatively) fixed intensity values*. **Question:** Sections read mention that pixel positions are stored in 3d (3-tuple) data structure. I'm not sure I understand this correctly, since

1. This would effectively make this structure a point cloud (but no mention of it in the paper).
2. There is no mention of special "depth-based" hardware or cameras (Far as I know this is upposed to be a regular image).

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Checked understanding of *epipolar constraint* through reading of [Hartley2004] [3] and its derivation of

$$\begin{aligned} {}'\mathbf{x}^T \cdot \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{x} &= {}'\mathbf{x}^T \cdot [\mathbf{t}]_\times \cdot \mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{x} \\ &= {}'\mathbf{x}^T \cdot {}'l \end{aligned}$$

and creation of MatLab code verifying this.

I may have been mistaken about relation of **Fundamental Matrix** and **Essential Matrix**.

My current understanding is the *Fundamental Matrix* describes point/epipolar line correspondance for images under **scale invariant** conditions (i.e. point correspondance and Fundamental matrix does not change when one image (or both images) are scaled (uniformly or omni-directionally).

Essential Matrix describes point/epipolar line correspondance for images under **normalized** conditions (i.e. unit-length is set equal to focal-length, and projection center is set at $(0, 0, 1)$.

May 2, 2016

Additional wording to Stereo-vision section. I am unsure of best order to present ideas related to *multi-view* geometry.

May 18, 2016

Reviewed [Chen93] [2] Section 2. Consider reviewing follow relevant articles:

- Disparity [Gosh89]
- Optical Flow [Nage86]
- Look-up tables [Wolb89]
- 3d scenes [Pogg91]

Working on MatLab code to pick correspondig points in stereo-images, and calculate pixel offset vectors.

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Read Section 2.3 of [Chen93] [2]. View interpolation is limited by:

- **Penumbra**: pixels visible in one source image *but not both*
- **Umbra**, pixels visible in neither source image, and *invisible* in destination image.
- **Holes**, pixels visible in neither source image, but *visible* in destination image.

Calculatred formula for *pre-displaced* quad-pixel calculation using a bi-linear interpolation as:

$$\mathbf{P}(u,v) = \mathbf{P}(0,0)\cdot(1-u)\cdot(1-v)+\mathbf{P}(1,0)\cdot u\cdot(1-v)+\mathbf{P}(0,1)\cdot(1-u)\cdot v+\mathbf{P}(1,1)\cdot u\cdot v$$

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Derived formula for uv calculation using *geometry matrix*, *blending matrix* and *basis vectors* of $\mathbf{u} = [u\ 1]^T$ and $\mathbf{v} = [v\ 1]^T$

$$x_{uv} = \begin{bmatrix} u & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{00} & x_{01} \\ x_{10} & x_{11} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$y_{uv} = \begin{bmatrix} u & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_{00} & y_{01} \\ y_{10} & y_{11} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question for Kamangar: Is there a way given x and y to solve for u and v?

May 22, 2016

Added more to thesis document.

Worked on singular-value of previous blending equation. where:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{uv} & 0 \\ 0 & y_{uv} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{u} \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{M} \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{Y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{M} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{00} & x_{01} \\ x_{10} & x_{11} \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_{00} & y_{01} \\ y_{10} & y_{11} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

May 23, 2016

Read [Chen93] [2] section 2.4 on *Block Compression*.

SUMMARY: Blocks are established established by *threshold* where each block contains pixels that are *offset by no more than the threshold*, allowing all pixels to be offset at once.

Question for Kamangar: Doesn't this assume that all pixels in the block have a uniform offset?

Working on MatLab program to perform pixel offsets of corresponding points (i.e. assign corresponding points to pixels in MatLab by non automatic methods)

May 24, 2016

Read following sections from [Chen93] [2]:

- Implementations (3)
  - Preprocessing (3.1)
  - Interactive Interpolation (3.2)
  - Examples (3.3)
- Applications (4)
  - Virtual Reality (4.1)
  - Motion Blur (4.2)

Question for Kamangar: With regards to Section 3.1 and Section 1, why is a graph structure needed? Why is it a lattice?

Question for Kamangar: With regards to Section 4.1, I don't understand the concepts of *temporal anti-aliasing* and *super-sampling*?

Made additional changes / added material to thesis document.

May 25, 2016

Was using figures from `http://www.robots.ox.ac.uk/~vgg/hzbook/hzbook2/HZfigures.html` as test images, which may not be best source as there white borders, appear to be up-sampled, and do not contain (extrinsic) calibration info. Consider using images located at `http://vision.middlebury.edu/stereo/data/scenes2014/` that contain meta-info including (intrinsic) calibration info.

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Finished [Chen93] [2]. Not sure if remaining article is of consequence.

Finished MatLab program for *animating / hand-drawing* (See wording in [Chen93] [2]) offset vectors. Program performs offsets in 2-dimensional space. Conisder adding automatic *feature correspondance* and *z-buffer* information from depth map images avaiable on MiddleBury database.

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Point-correspondances do not follow even pattern as indicated in [Chen93] [2]: *Bi-linear coordinates* and *quad partitionions*; May be better to use *Barycentric coordinates triangle partitions.*

Read on MatLab `tform`, `maketform`, and `Delaunay` triangles for purpose of image partitions.

References

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