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Robot_Assisted CT_Guided percutaneous procedures to Improve in Accuracy of Navigation system

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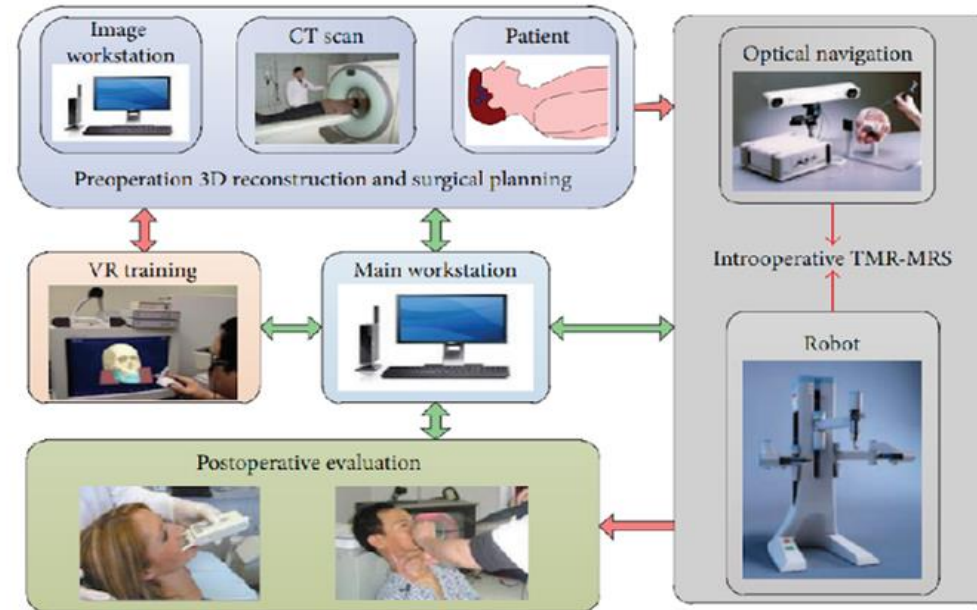
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Robot-assisted Surgical Procedure



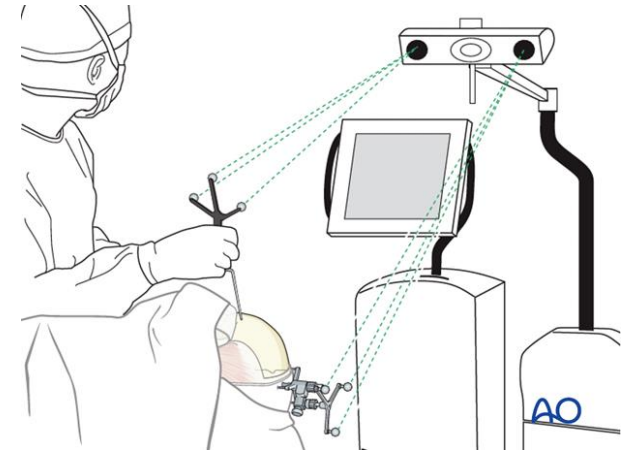
Computer assisted surgery can be divided into three basic steps:

- Pre-operative presurgical planning
- Intraoperative
- Postoperative

Dual Sensor for Real-time Tool Tracking in Computer assisted Surgery

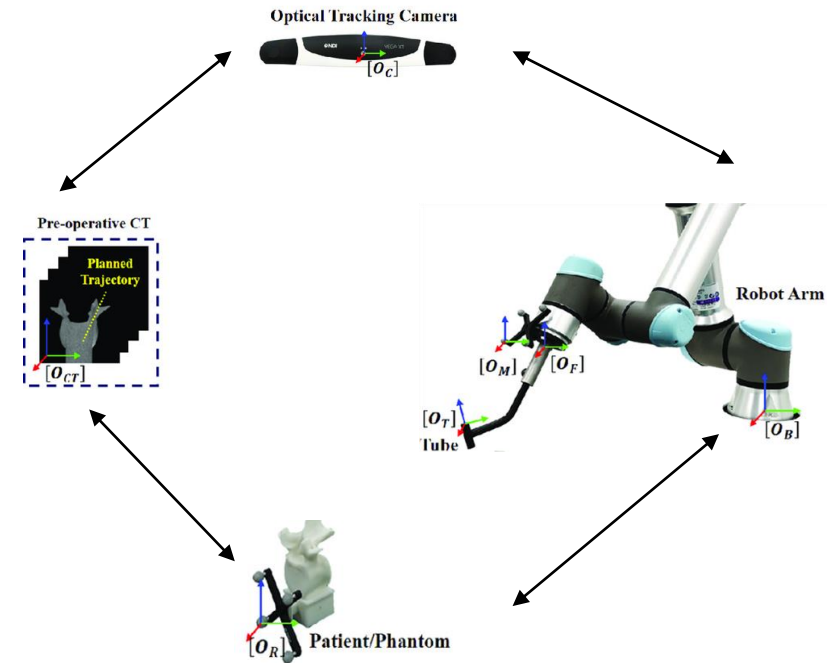
Introduction

- The computer aided surgery systems aim to empower surgeons with advanced visual guidance, precise control and real-time feedback
- Enhances the precision and safety of surgical interventions



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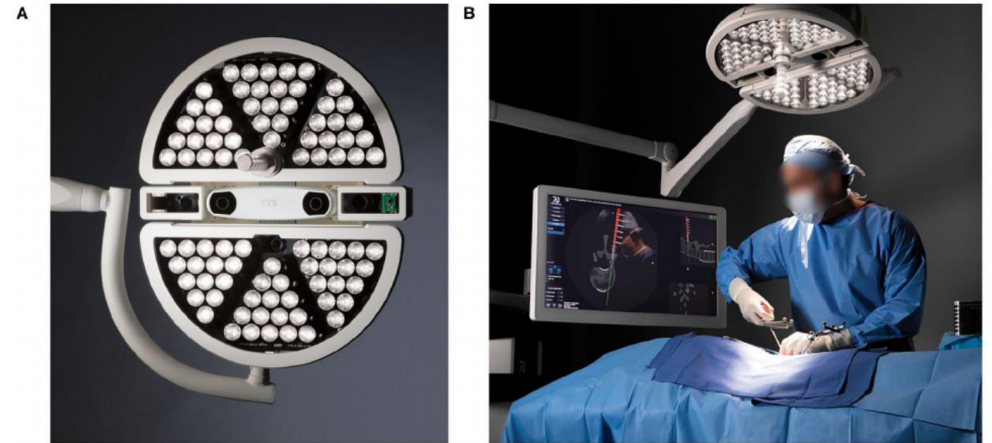
- Precedent researchers create pre-operative surgical plans by utilizing medical imaging modalities (CT)
- Pre-operative surgical plans are spatially aligned with the coordinates of the intra-operative devices
- Benefit: Accurate localization of the predetermined surgical plan, precise manipulation of surgical instruments



Related Work

Navigation sensor for spine surgery (Jakubovic et al.)

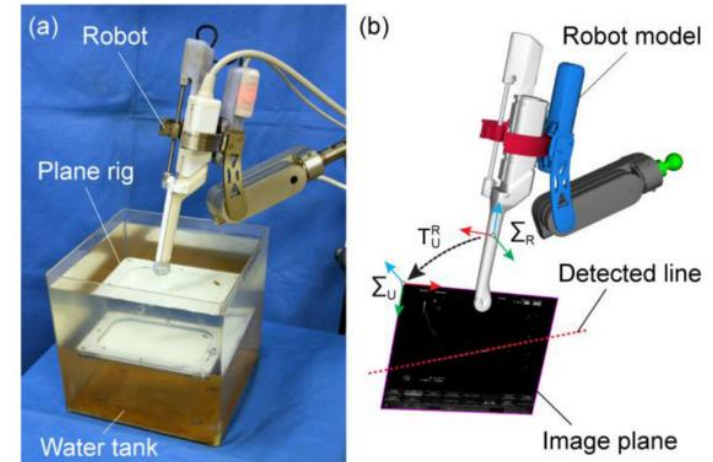
- Components: :Stereo vision-based optical localizer
Binocular structured light cameras
Conventional surgical light head
- Binocular structured light cameras
 - capture a 3D surface of the surgical field
(Scanning time-5s)
- This 3D data is segmented and used to align with pre-operative images
- Commercial and clinical use (Toronto, Canada)



Related Work

Transrectal ultrasound-guided robot (Lim et al.)

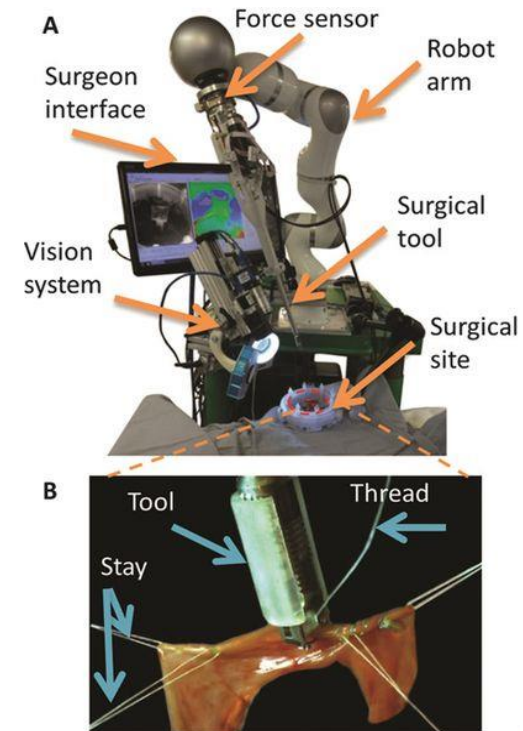
- Four degrees of freedom (DoF) robot ,guided by ultrasound probe for prostate biopsy
- Real time imaging capability (US + robot)
- Perform a 3D scanning even as it undergoes deformation due to the presence of surrounding tissues and US probe
- 3D scanning time is 30sec, which does not meet the criteria for real-time shape sensing.



Related Work

Smart tissue autonomous robot (STAR) (Shademan et al)

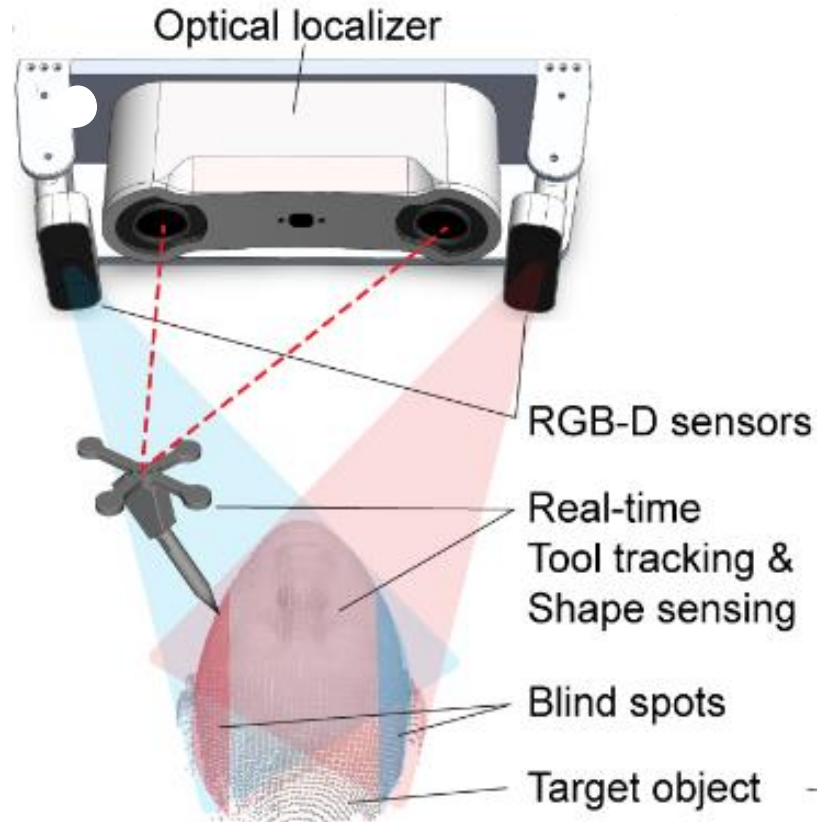
- A robot arm that holds a laparoscopic suturing tool, an optic camera for 3D surface measurement and 3D visual tracking system using near-infrared fluorescent imaging
- Significance of research involves demonstrating the potential of autonomous robots in soft tissue surgeries



Objectives and Contributions

- Dual sensor integrates two RGB-D sensors with an optical localizer
- Unique capability of conducting real-time sensing of 3D surface shapes and 6-DoF tool poses concurrently
- Apply in CISs requiring real-time monitoring of deforming human organs, breast, face, and incised skin
- Real-time scans of intraoperatively de-forming surgical targets with accurate tracking of surgical tools

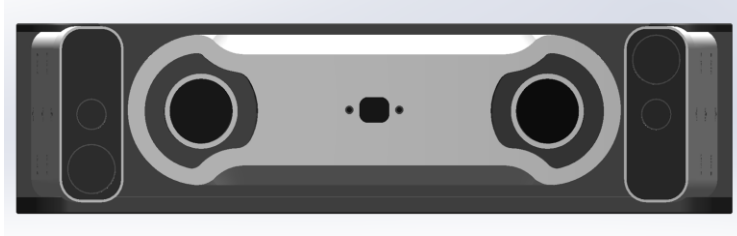
Design Concepts of Dual Sensor



The dual sensor is designed with:

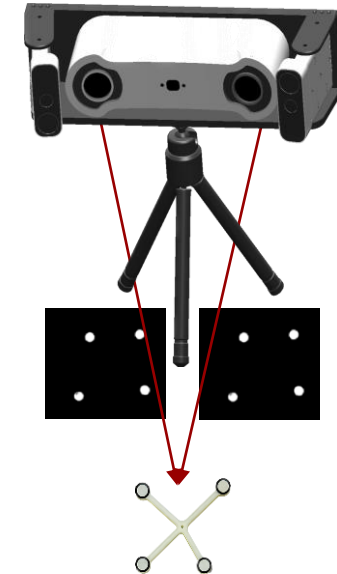
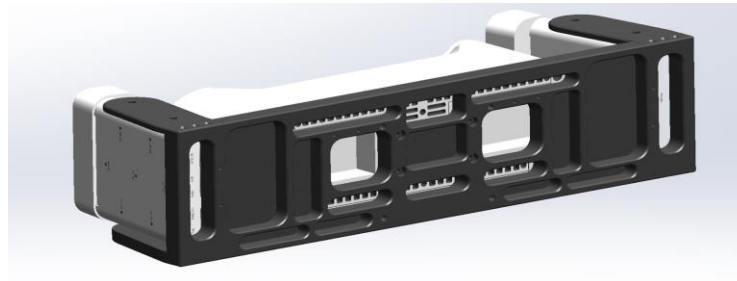
- Optical localizer
 - detects and tracks 6-DoF poses of medical instruments
- Two RGB-D sensors
 - equipped with a ToF depth sensor and a visible light camera that provides both 3D surface data and the corresponding RGB color information

Design of Dual Sensor



Front View

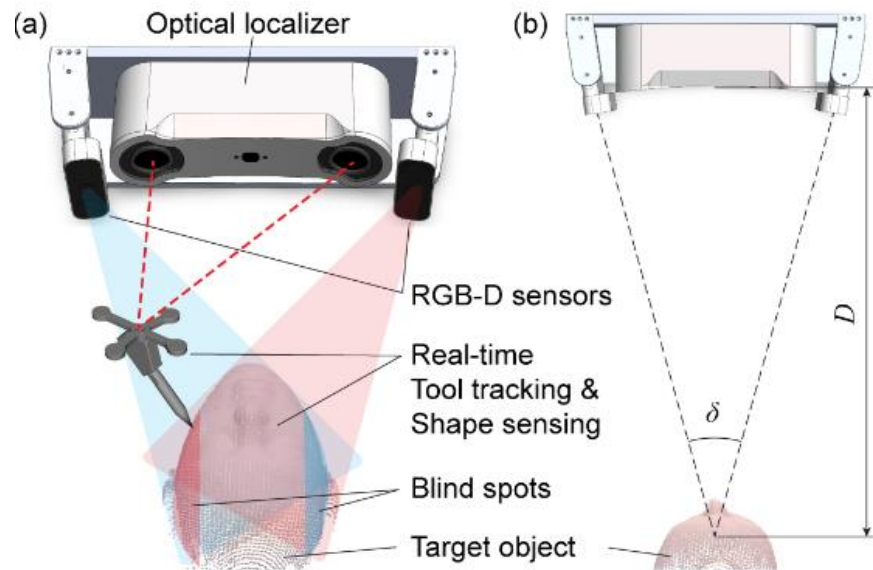
Back View



Images acquired with OT

Components	: Fusion Track 250 , Azure Kinect Sensors
Size	: 430mm x 100mm x 110mm
Weight	: 4.56kg

Design of Dual Sensor

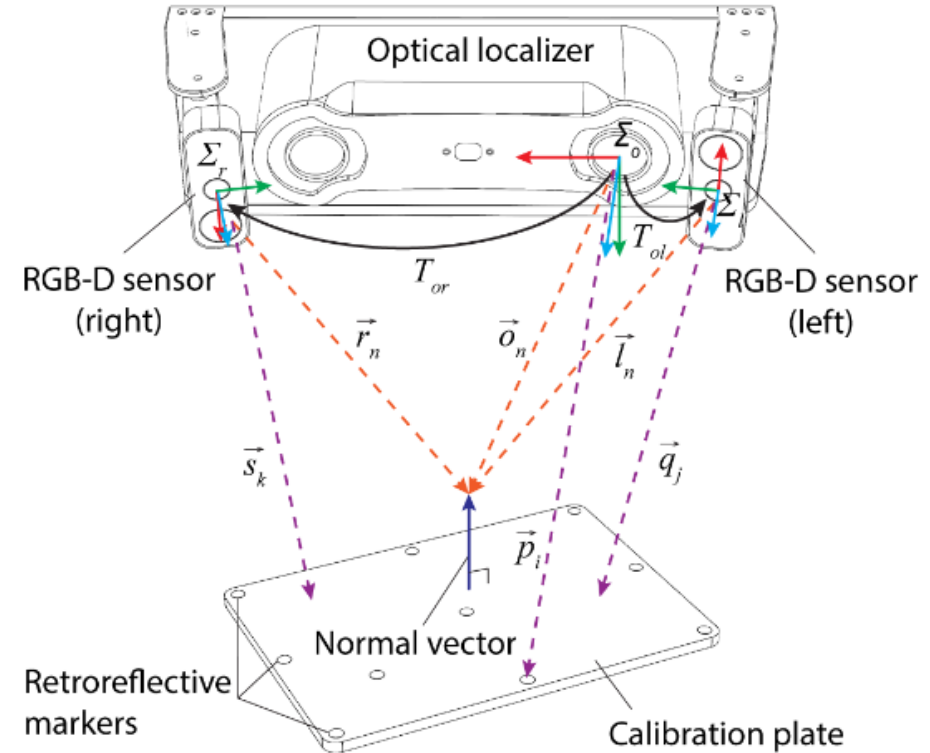


- Two-fold purpose: Broadens FOV and reduces potential blind spots inherent when relying on a single RGB-D sensor
- The convergence angle δ is determined by the separation distance D
- Accuracy of sensors is inversely proportional to D
- $D = 1.2\text{m}$ angle set at 17.1 degree.

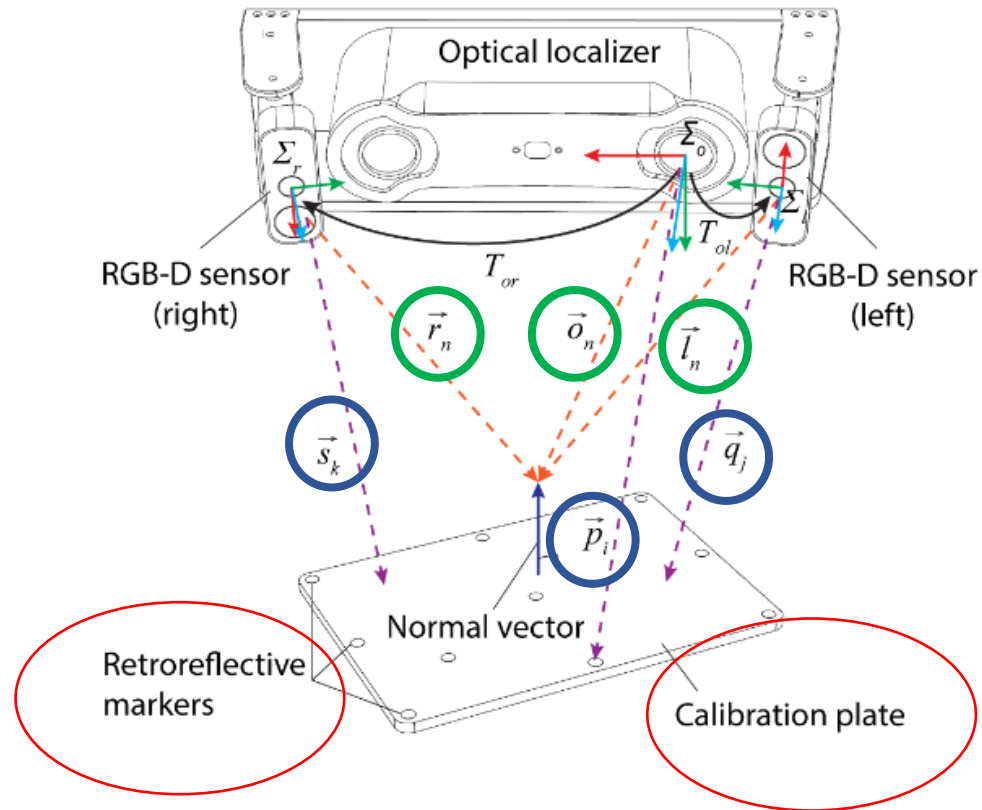
Sensor Calibration

The proposed one-time calibration method are introduced in the following sub-sections

1. Calibration Plate
2. Estimation of Normal Vector
3. Estimation of Rotation Matrix
4. Estimation of Translation Vector

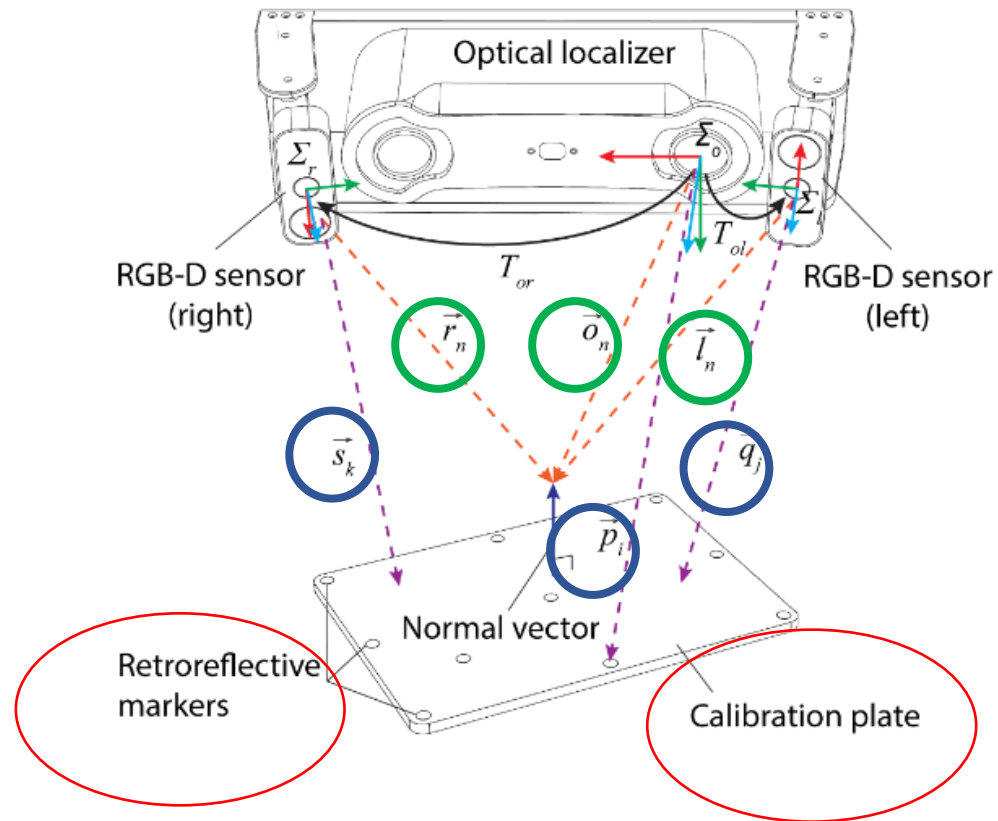


Sensor Calibration: Calibration Plate



Calibration plate to estimate a rigid transformation between an optical tracker and RGB-D sensor

Sensor Calibration: Estimation of Normal Vector



The normal vector of plate is measured by OT, by fitting a plane, $ax+by+c=z$

Center points of markers $p = [x, y, z]^T$

Least Square equation is given by:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_i & y_i & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ z_i \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

The normal vector of plate is estimated as

$$\vec{o}_n = \vec{x} / \|\vec{x}\|, \text{ where } \vec{x} = [a, b, c]^T.$$

Sensor Calibration: Estimation of Rotation Matrix

- Normal Vectors $\vec{o}_n, \vec{l}_n, \vec{r}_n$,
- Rotation matrices of two Rigid Transformations

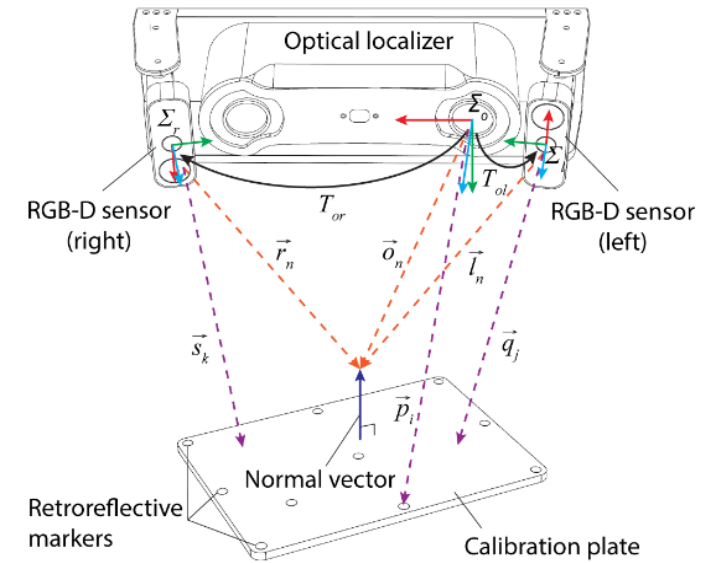
$$T_{ol} = [R_{ol}, \vec{t}_{ol}]$$

$$T_{or} = [R_{or}, \vec{t}_{or}] \quad \longrightarrow \quad H = \sum_{n=1}^N \vec{l}_n \vec{o}_n^T$$

By applying SVD to the Matrix $H = U\Sigma V^T$,

Rotation matrix is calculated as

$$R_{ol} = V \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \det(VU^T) \end{bmatrix} U^T$$



Sensor Calibration: Estimation of Translation Vector

Constraint: Vectors defined between points measured by the tracer \vec{p}_i and points transformed by the transformation $\vec{q}'_j = R_{ol}\vec{q}_j + \vec{t}_{ol}$ eq(1) are perpendicular to the normal vector measured by the tracker. \vec{o}_n^T

The constraint is given by $\vec{o}_n^T(\vec{p}_i - \vec{q}'_j) = 0$ ----- eq(2)

By substituting (1) into (2) $\vec{o}_n^T \vec{t}_{ol} = \vec{o}_n^T(\vec{p}_i - R_{ol}\vec{q}_j)$ ----- eq(3)

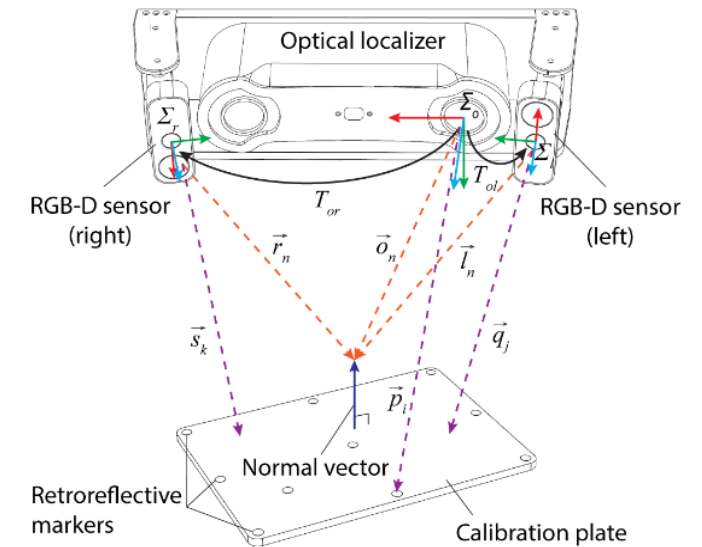
Eq (3) can be expressed into least square formula:

$$A\vec{t}_{ol} = \vec{b}, \text{ where } A \in \mathbb{R}^{IJN \times 3}, \vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{IJN}$$

I=Retroreflective markers

J=Points measured by the left RGB-D sensor

N=Measurements



Software Implementation

Dual Sensor(11b)

- Fusion Tracker SDK (ftk500)
- Azure Kinect SDK

Open-Source Libraries

- C++, Qt
- Visualization Toolkit (Vtk)
- Grass roots DICOM (GDCM)
- Open Computer Vision (OpenCV)
- Point Cloud Library (PCL)

Ongoing Studies

- Calibration Accuracy
- Tracking Accuracy

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