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Abstract

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To subtract some information from the Plan, firstly, the patches recording have to be stitched together. This steps have to be done because the portable Minidome can only record patches of a size of x X x cm and the Plan has a totally size of x m. For the extracting of research features, ideas have to build up which should work on an old, crumbled plan. These detected features will be afterwards analysed from plan experts. To prepare information for the experts, the plan was stitched together with Photoshop because all other program reached their limits with the given 1.5 TB dataset. The key point in this step was to get the transform parameters for each patch. After a lot of tries, Finally, a self-written C++ script solved the program. The second challenge, extracting research features like needle holes and scratches, can be only solved with manual detecting because the crumbled old plan destroyed all the genius, theoretical ideas for detecting. For examples, the made assumption that needle holes should be round and have some height differences are logical, but the circle matching program gave a lots of more possible circles which lays in wrinkled regions.

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