An approach to camera calibration in industrial robotics using HexSight

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How the presentation is organized

- I. Vision systems in industrial robotics
- II. Camera calibration in industrial robotics
- III. Proposed solution
- IV. Results



. Vision systems in industrial robotics



Common applications:



Measurement



Localization



Counting



Decoding



Vision systems in industrial robotics



Estimate 3D information





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Vision systems in industrial robotics



Estimate 2D information





Common applications



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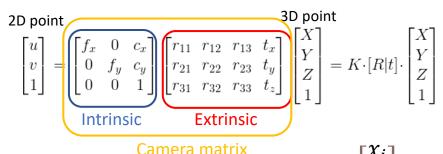


Decoding

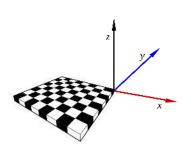


II Camera calibration in industrial robotics











- 01100 10110 11110
- 2. Parameters Estimation

Coordinates Acquisition

3. Reprojection Tests

$$\sum_{i} d(\mathbf{x}_i, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i)^2$$

 x_i estimation

→ calibration algorithm (Zhang, **Tsai**..)

 $\widehat{\chi}_i$ ground truth



Camera calibration in industrial robotics

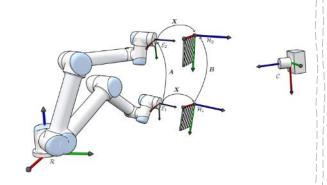
1. Fixed calibration support

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 & u_n \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & v_n \end{bmatrix} = IP$$

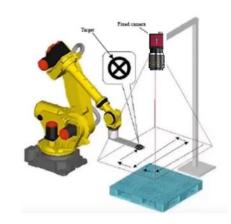
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_n \\ y_1, y_2, y_3, y_n \\ z_1 & z_2 & z_3 & z_n \end{bmatrix} = WP$$



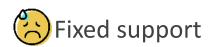
2. Robot-held support



3. Robot-generated support



Camera calibration in industrial robotics

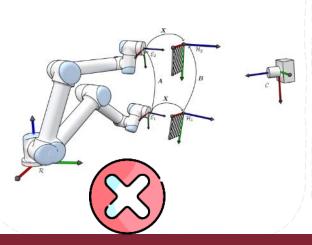


- Manual approach
- It needs specialized operator
- Single-point acquisition



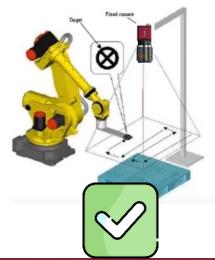


- Automatic approach
- Needs accuracy
- Multi-point acquisition





- Automatic approach
- Flexible
- Single-point acquisition





III Proposed Solution

List of ingredients

Goal of the **project**



Develop a flexible and accurate automatic calibration process

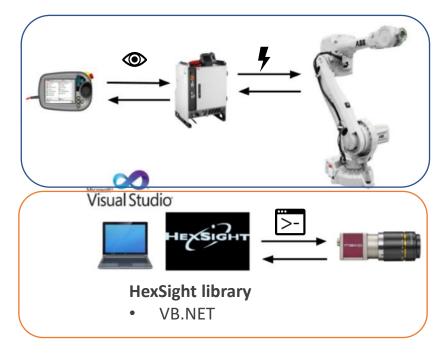


ABB IRB4600

- 6 axis
- 2.5m reach

Mako G-503

- 2592 x 1944 resolution
- 5 megapixel
- 14 frames/second
- Gigabit Ethernet

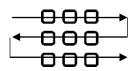


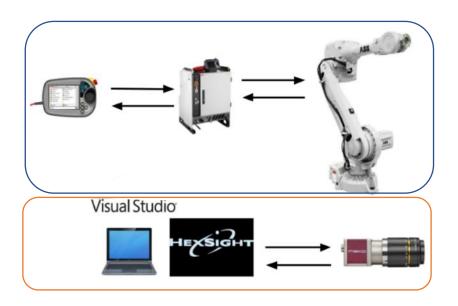
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Goal of the robotics branch



Move the calibration target along a grid path decided by the user





Goal of the **vision branch**



Acquire the target coordinates and compute the calibration



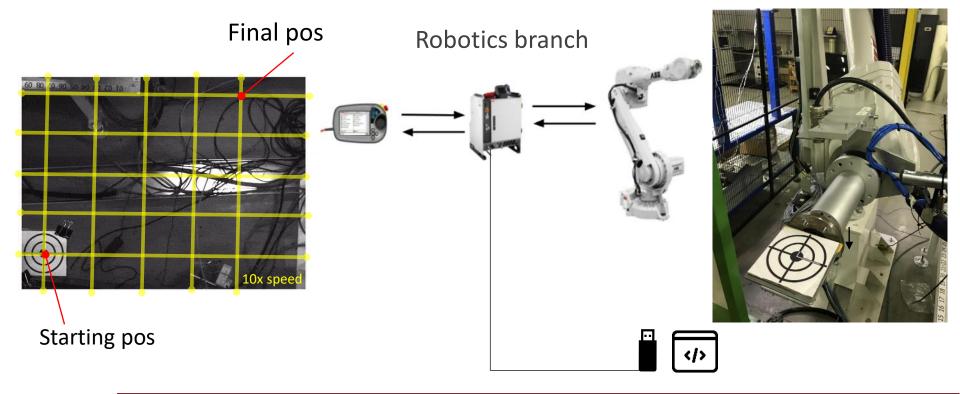




III Proposed Solution Result









III Proposed Solution More details

1. Model of the target to find



2. Calibration method to execute

Tsai calibration[1]

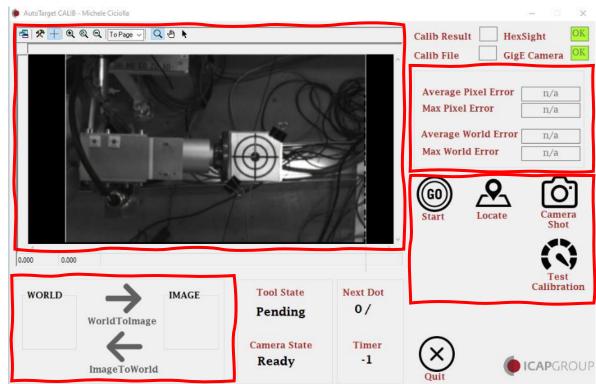
- Planar control points
- 2 Stage optimization
- Lens correction



Proposed Solution

HMI: Visual Basic HexSight

Display



Result dashboard

Action buttons

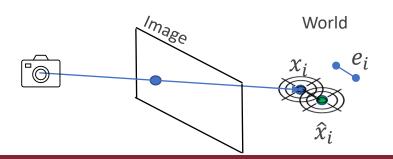
Testing interface



Performance evaluation:

Image-To-World estimation

$$\sum_i d(\mathbf{x}_i, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i)^2$$
 $\qquad \qquad \mathcal{X}_i \qquad ext{World estimation}$ $\qquad \qquad \widehat{\mathcal{X}}_i \qquad ext{World ground truth}$



Estimate 3D information



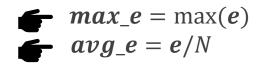
Measurement



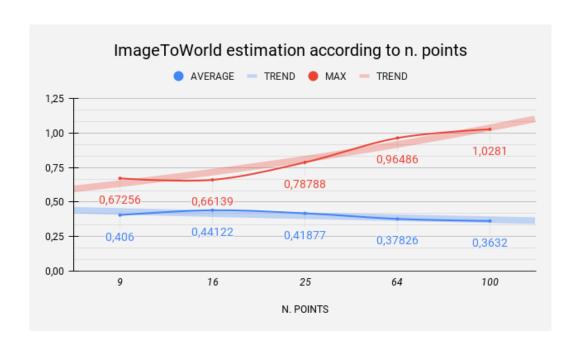
Localization

$$\mathbf{e} = [e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_i, \dots e_n]$$

 $i = 1 \dots N$

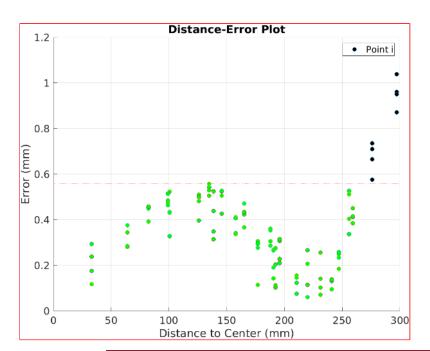


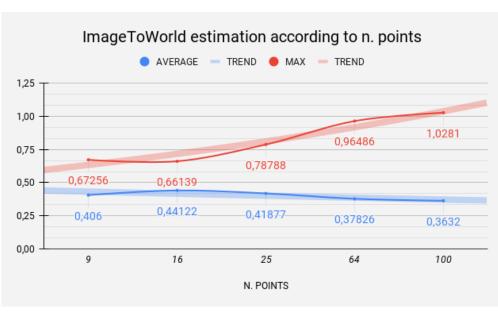
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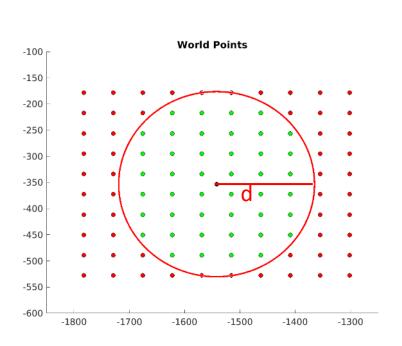
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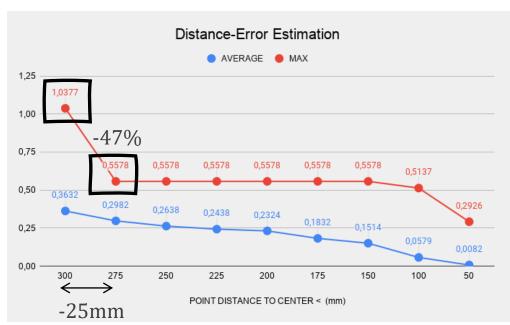






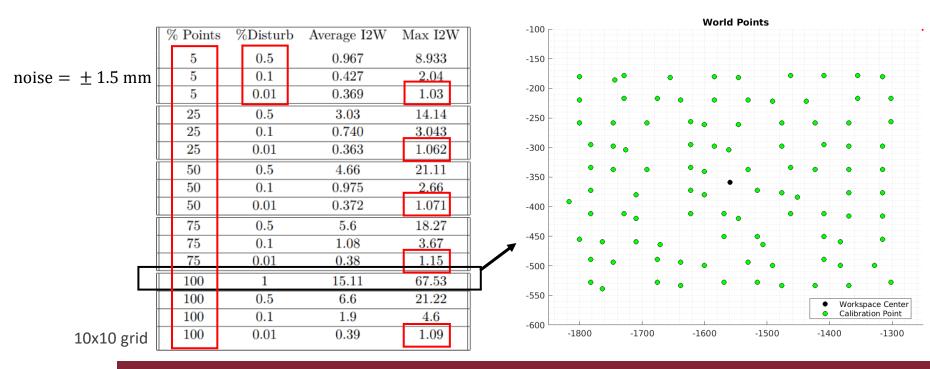
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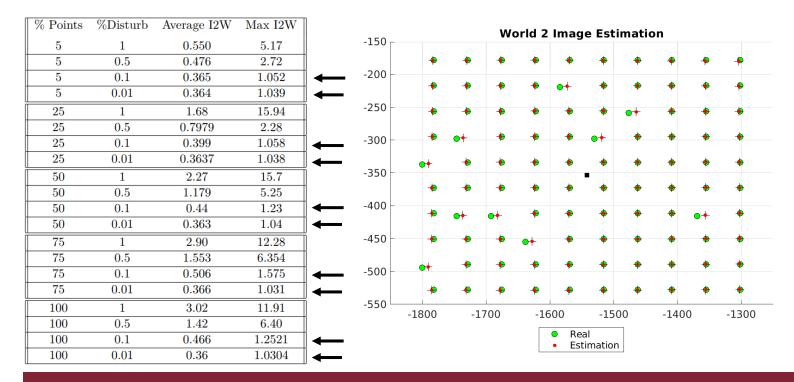


Procedure robustness to noise: World coordinates





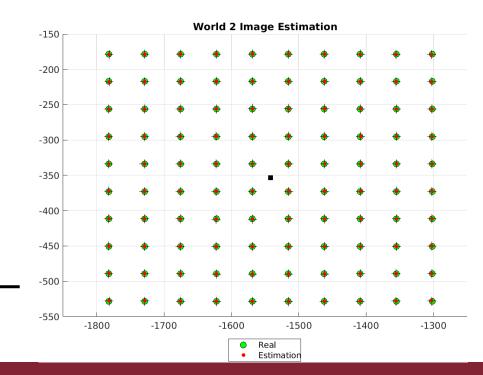
2. Procedure robustness to noise: Pixel coordinates





2. Procedure robustness to noise: Pixel-World coordinates

% Points	%Disturb	Average I2W	Max I2W
10	1	2.24	12.55
10	0.5	1.22	6.16
10	0.1	0.45	2.59
50	1	7.48	42.41
50	0.5	3.73	21.62
50	0.1	0.81	2.28
100	1	10.04	36.72
100	0.5	4.57	19.53
100	0.1	1.02	4.41
100	0.01	0.36	1.05

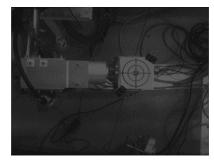




3. Procedure repeatability

N attempts	Average I2W	Max I2W
5	0.41862	0.78688
10	0.41236	0.76257
15	0.42344	0.76535

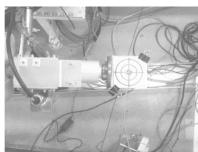
5x5 grid



4. **Robustness** to **light** exposure

Exposure Type	Average I2W	Max I2W
Gain +15db	0,47105	1,06852
Gain +20db	/	/
Gain -15db	$0,\!47169$	1,0577
Gain -20db	0,454242	1,04193

9x9 grid



V Conclusions

What has been done





Robot movement algorithm



Ready to be commercialized/employed



Plug-and-play vision application



Flexible procedure



Comprehensive tests



Desired accuracy performance



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