

Wouter Vandorpe
Weststraat 138 A 203
9940 Sleidinge
Belgium

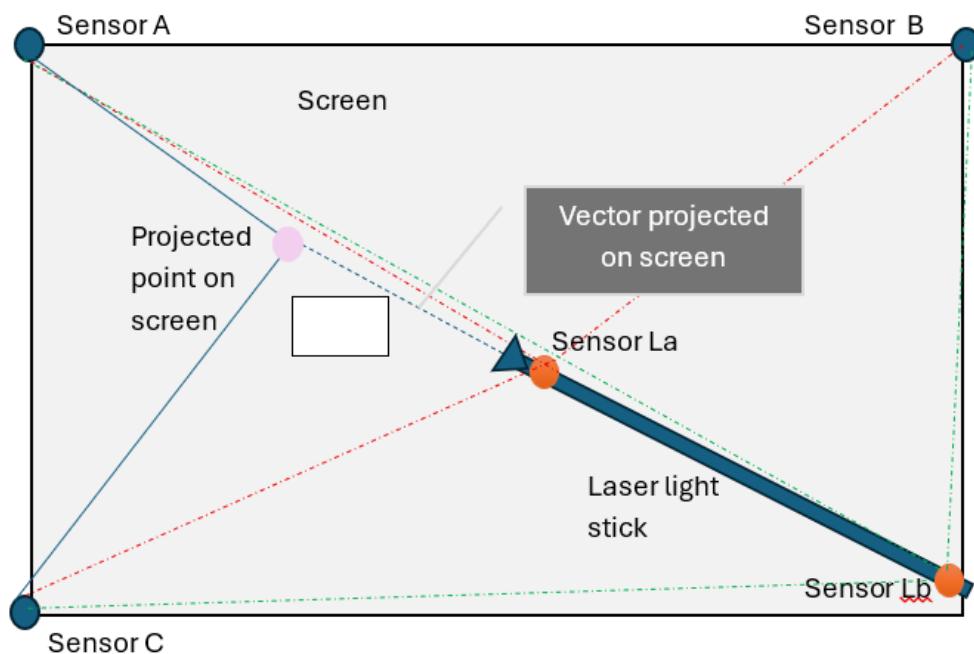
Virtual Air Plot

1. Introduction

The possibility to write on a screen with a moving object in mid air.
We will use a laser to do so with some sensors attached to it (front and end).
The laser only is for visual to see where we write. With software attached on the sensors it is possible to plot the movement on the screen.

In our case we use 3 beacons to define the surface we can write. They are the corners of the surface with known coordinates.

2. Schematics



We got the projected point in pink on the screen. This comes from the light of the laser with the vector on the surface. The Laser light stick (LLS) has 2 UWB sensors inside. The laser projects the laser point on the screen. The coordinates of the laser point can be calculated with the sensors. Distance from sensor La to Sensor A,B,C and distance from sensor Lb to sensor A,B,C. Here we can get the coordinates of these points which makes it possible to calculate the vector point on the screen.

3. Calculation

Example of the calculation where we get the matching coordinates of the measured values.

```
import math
#####
#Fill in the classname of the object#
#####
class clInterfaceScript:
    #####
    #Constructor class (stay's this way)#
    #####
    def __init__(self):
        print ('clInterfaceScript::__init__->start')
        self.Tracker_CoordX=[]
        self.Tracker_Length_X=[]
        self.Tracker_CoordY=[]
        self.Tracker_Length_Y=[]
        self.Tracker_CoordZ=[]
        self.Tracker_Length_Z=[]

    try:
        print ('clInterfaceScript::__init__->start')
    except:
        traceback.print_exc()
    #####
    #Destructor class (stay's this way)#
    #####
    def __del__(self):
        print ('clInterfaceScript::__del__->start')

    #####
    #Functions#
    #####
```

```

def calculate_all(self,x_dimension,y_dimension,z_dimension):
    print('calculate_all')
    i = 0
    j = 0
    z = 0

    while i < x_dimension:
        Tracker_Length_2 = []
        while j < y_dimension:
            Tracker_Length_3 = []
            while z < z_dimension:
                self.Tracker_CoordX.append([i,j,z])
                v = math.sqrt((i*i)+(j*j))
                p = math.sqrt((v*v)+(z*z))
                Tracker_Length_3.append(p)
                print (p)
                z = z + 1
            z = 0
            j = j + 1
            Tracker_Length_2.append(Tracker_Length_3)
        j = 0
        i = i + 1
        self.Tracker_Length_X.append(Tracker_Length_2)

```

```

#Calculate the second trio
i=0
j=0
z=0

while i < x_dimension:
    Tracker_Length_2 = []
    while j < y_dimension:
        Tracker_Length_3 = []
        while z < z_dimension:
            self.Tracker_CoordY.append([i,j,z])
            v = math.sqrt((i*i)+(j*j))
            p = math.sqrt((v*v)+(z*z))
            Tracker_Length_3.append(p)
            print (p)
            z = z + 1
        z = 0
        j = j + 1
        Tracker_Length_2.append(Tracker_Length_3)
    j = 0
    i = i + 1
    self.Tracker_Length_Y.append(Tracker_Length_2)

```

```

z = 0
j = j + 1
Tracker_Length_2.append(Tracker_Length_3)
j = 0
i = i + 1
self.Tracker_Length_Y.append(Tracker_Length_2)

#Calculate the third trio
i=0
j=0
z=0

while i < x_dimension:
    Tracker_Length_2 = []
    while j < y_dimension:
        Tracker_Length_3 = []
        while z < z_dimension:
            self.Tracker_CoordZ.append([i,j,z])
            v = math.sqrt((i*i)+(j*j))
            p = math.sqrt((v*v)+(z*z))
            Tracker_Length_3.append(p)
            print (p)
            z = z + 1
        z = 0
        j = j + 1
        Tracker_Length_2.append(Tracker_Length_3)
    j = 0
    i = i + 1
    self.Tracker_Length_Z.append(Tracker_Length_2)

def bestfit(self,trio_1,trio_2,trio_3,dim1,dim2,dim3):
    print('START bestfit')
    tol = 1

    element_1=[]
    element_1_Y=[]
    BlockListNumberX=[]
    counter_X_L1 = 0
    print(len(self.Tracker_Length_X))
    for element_1 in self.Tracker_Length_X:

```

```

counter_X_L2 = 0
for element_1_Y in element_1:
    counter_X_L3 = 0
    for element_1_Z in element_1_Y:
        if trio_1 < (element_1_Z + tol) and trio_1 > (element_1_Z - tol):
            for elements_coord in self.Tracker_CoordX:
                if (elements_coord[0] == counter_X_L1) and (elements_coord[1] ==
counter_X_L2) and (elements_coord[2] == counter_X_L3):
                    BlockListNumberX.append(elements_coord)
                    print ('-----')
                    print (elements_coord)
                    print (element_1_Z)
                    print (len(BlockListNumberX))
                    print ('-----')
        counter_X_L3 = counter_X_L3 + 1
    counter_X_L2 = counter_X_L2 + 1
counter_X_L1 = counter_X_L1 + 1

```

```

BlockListNumberY=[]
element_1=[]
element_1_Y=[]
counter_Y_L1 = 0
print(len(self.Tracker_Length_Y))
for element_1 in self.Tracker_Length_Y:
    counter_Y_L2 = 0
    for element_1_Y in element_1:
        counter_Y_L3 = 0
        for element_1_Z in element_1_Y:
            if trio_2 < (element_1_Z + tol) and trio_2 > (element_1_Z - tol):
                for elements_coord in self.Tracker_CoordY:
                    if elements_coord[0] == counter_Y_L1 and elements_coord[1] ==
counter_Y_L2 and elements_coord[2] == counter_Y_L3:
                        BlockListNumberY.append(elements_coord)
                        print ('-----')
                        print (elements_coord)
                        print (element_1_Z)
                        print (len(BlockListNumberY))
                        print ('-----')
        counter_Y_L3 = counter_Y_L3 + 1
    counter_Y_L2 = counter_Y_L2 + 1
counter_Y_L1 = counter_Y_L1 + 1

```

```

BlockListNumberZ=[]
element_1_Y=[]
counter_Z_L1 = 0
print(len(self.Tracker_Length_Z))
for element_1 in self.Tracker_Length_Z:
    counter_Z_L2 = 0
    for element_1_Y in element_1:
        counter_Z_L3 = 0
        for element_1_Z in element_1_Y:
            if trio_3 < (element_1_Z + tol) and trio_3 > (element_1_Z - tol):
                for elements_coord in self.Tracker_CoordZ:
                    if elements_coord[0] == counter_Z_L1 and elements_coord[1] ==
counter_Z_L2 and elements_coord[2] == counter_Z_L3:
                        BlockListNumberZ.append(elements_coord)
                        print ('-----')
                        print (elements_coord)
                        print (element_1_Z)
                        print (len(BlockListNumberZ))
                        print ('-----')
                    counter_Z_L3 = counter_Z_L3 + 1
                counter_Z_L2 = counter_Z_L2 + 1
            counter_Z_L1 = counter_Z_L1 + 1

blockTolerance=2
print ('Continue')
print ("Len of BlockListNumberX %s",(len(BlockListNumberX)))
print ("Len of BlockListNumberY %s",(len(BlockListNumberY)))
print ("Len of BlockListNumberZ %s",(len(BlockListNumberZ)))
i = 0
j = 0
k = 0
breakFunct = 0
while i < len(BlockListNumberX):
    j = 0
    while j < len(BlockListNumberY):
        k = 0
        while k < len(BlockListNumberZ):
            elements_coord_1 = BlockListNumberX[i]
            elements_coord_2 = BlockListNumberY[j]
            elements_coord_3 = BlockListNumberZ[k]

```

```

        print ("Element: %s %s %s",
(elements_coord_1,elements_coord_2,elements_coord_3))

        if (elements_coord_1[0] == ((dim2 - elements_coord_2[1])) and
            elements_coord_1[0] == ((elements_coord_3[1])) and
            elements_coord_1[1] == (elements_coord_2[0]) and
            elements_coord_1[1] == ((dim3 - elements_coord_3[0])) and
            elements_coord_1[2] < (elements_coord_2[2] + blockTolerance) and
            elements_coord_1[2] > (elements_coord_2[2] - blockTolerance) and
            elements_coord_1[2] < (elements_coord_3[2] + blockTolerance) and
            elements_coord_1[2] > (elements_coord_3[2] - blockTolerance)):
            print ('-----')
            print (elements_coord_1)
            print (elements_coord_2)
            print (elements_coord_3)
            return [elements_coord_1]

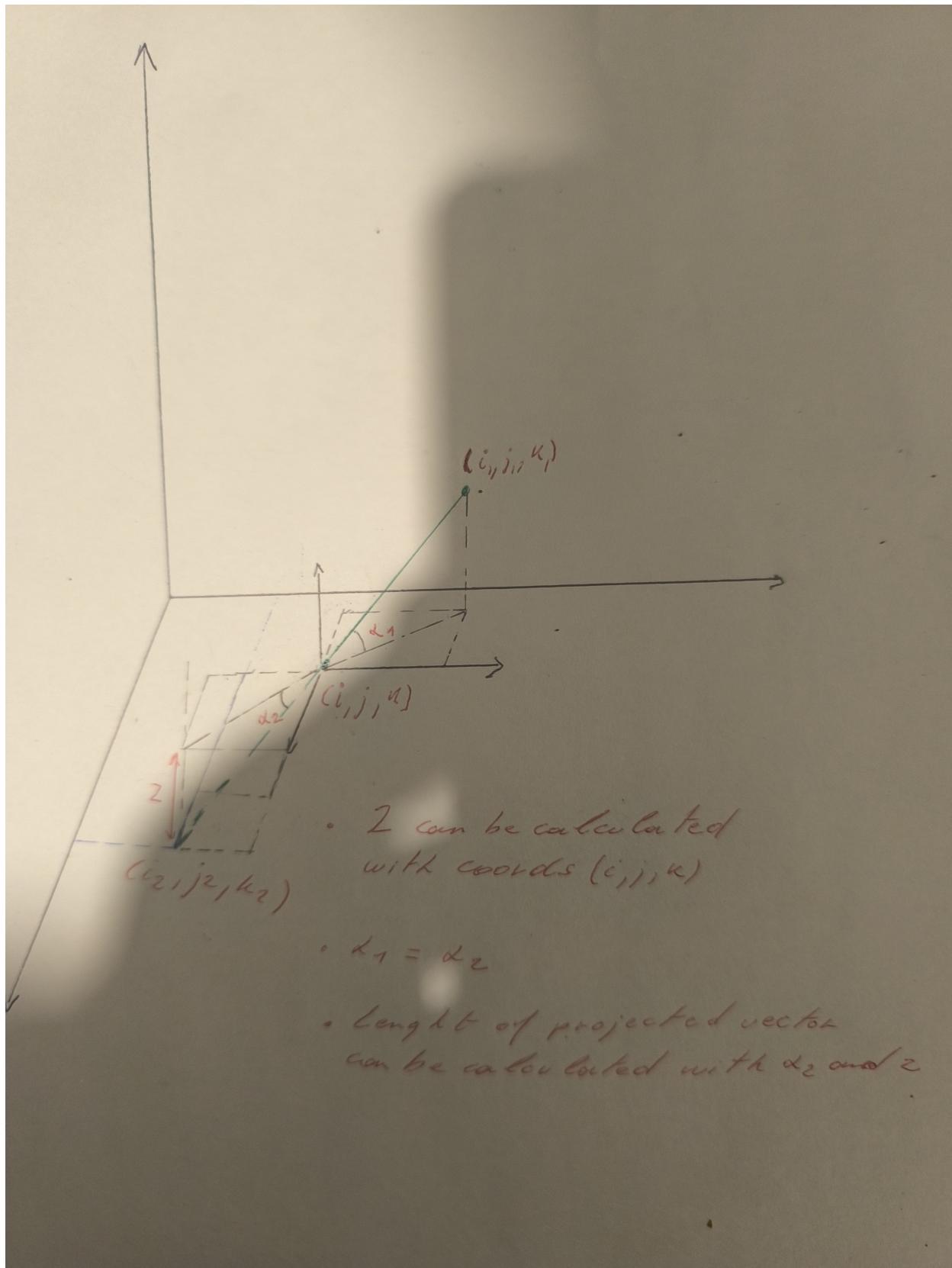
        k = k + 1
        j = j + 1
        i = i + 1
        print('STOP bestfit')

#####
#Created for manual testing of the methods on the class #
#####
def main():
    meInterfaceScript = cInterfaceScript()
    #Test the function manually for a surface of 10 hight and width and length
    meInterfaceScript.calculate_all(10,10,10)
    #Measured values are 7 and get the best fit coordinates
    bestFitValue = meInterfaceScript.bestfit(7,7,7,10,10,10)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()

```

Once the coordinates are located into the cube we can calculate the vector to the surface.

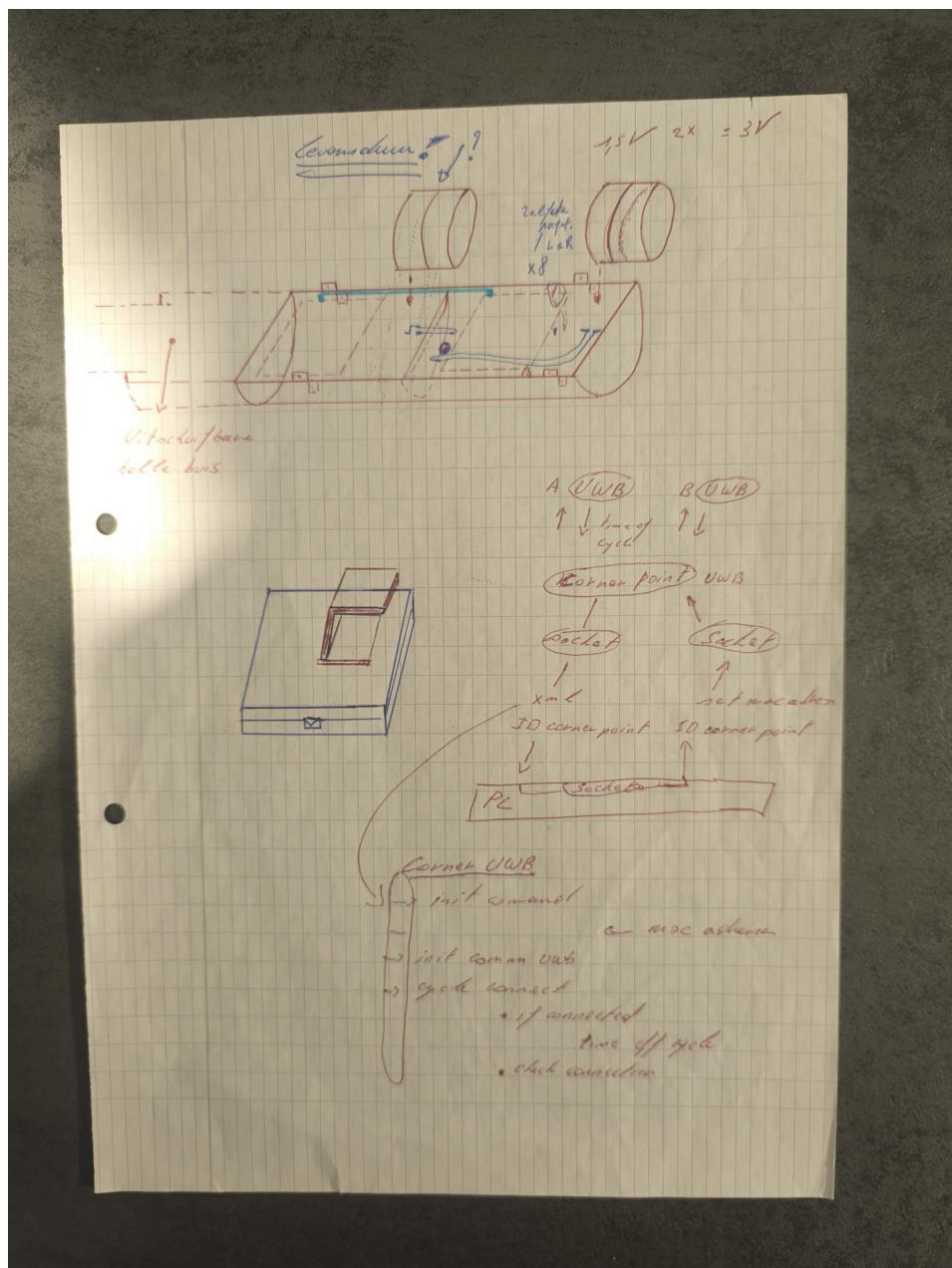


4. Technical

To run the script and define the matching point it takes to much time to do this every measuring cycle. Therefore at calibration time we can fill the database with the probable distances for all points according mm, cm, or smaller. Once the measure values come in we can query the database with a cycle of approx 0.2 msec and get the coordinates to calculate where point is located on the surface.

5. The lasermold

I have been drawing a small model for the mold but this is just a pointer. Original paper is this one.



6. Material

For building the prototype you can use the following material.

2 sensors:

UWB Indoor Positioning Module Tag + Base Station Ultra-wideband Short-range High-precision Ranging Module BU01

https://nl.aliexpress.com/item/1005001605414048.html?spm=a2g0o.productlist.main.13.35f24ae5KnoPAD&algo_pvid=806e09fd-16ce-4921-afdf-5e9dfdc3d4c&algo_exp_id=806e09fd-16ce-4921-afdf-5e9dfdc3d4c-10&pdp_ext_f=%7B%22order%22%3A%2235%22%2C%22eval%22%3A%221%22%7D&pdp_npi=6%40dis%21EUR%211.95%211.46%21%21%212.23%211.67%21%402103864c17561416654132605efa01%2112000046030523389%21sea%21BE%212643826211%21X%211%210%21n_tag%3A-29919%3Bd%3Ae4f0e6f9%3Bm03_new_user%3A-29895&curPageLogUid=3OBr300XeGr1&utparam-url=scene%3Asearch%7Cquery_from%3A%7Cx_object_id%3A1005001605414048%7C_p_origin_prod%3A

3 Arduino's

ESP 32 UWB Pro Development board Wireless module

https://www.alibaba.com/product-detail/ESP-32-UWB-Pro-Development-board_1601201768432.html

DW1000 and ESP32

<https://forum.qorvo.com/t/esp32-dw3000-ds-twr-sample-code/14367/9>

7. Other applications

- CNC machine positioning (when uwb on development boards are accurate)
- Location in holograms: opening folders and controlling hollogram computers
- Rotating at snap point objects in holograms
- Robot positioning without step motor
- ...