

3D Reconstruction from Photographs Principles & Applications

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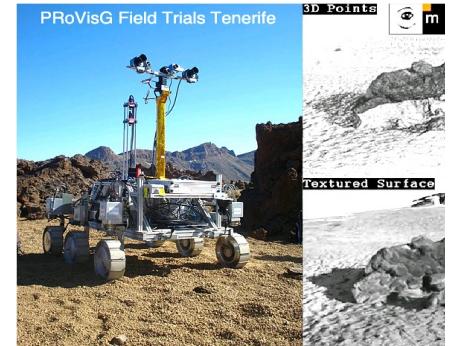
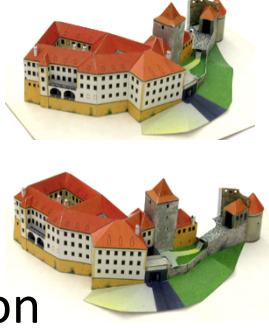
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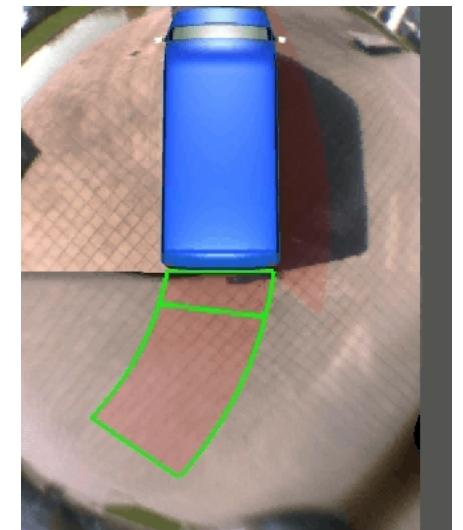
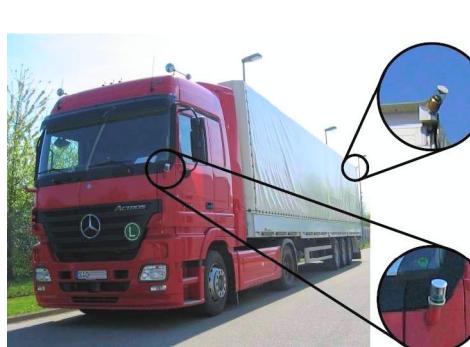
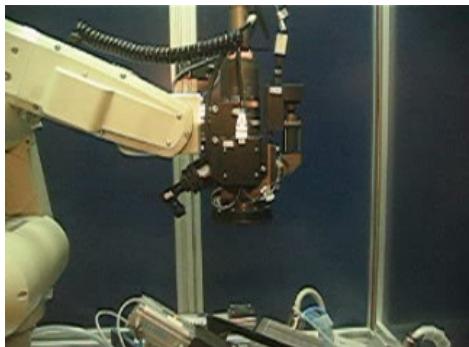
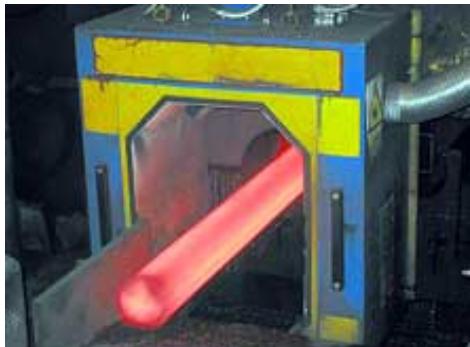
Research

3D
Geometry
Algebra
Optimization



Applications

Neovision s.r.o., Daimler, Siemens, ...



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3D RECONSTRUCTION FROM PHOTOGRAPHS

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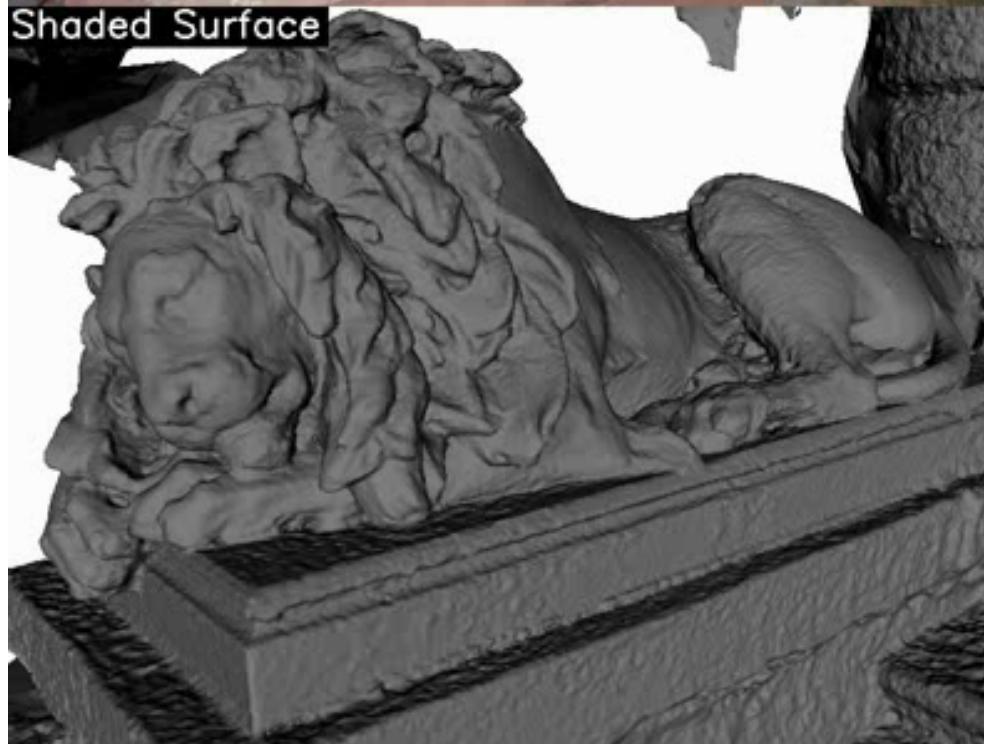


3D Points




center for machine
perception

Shaded Surface

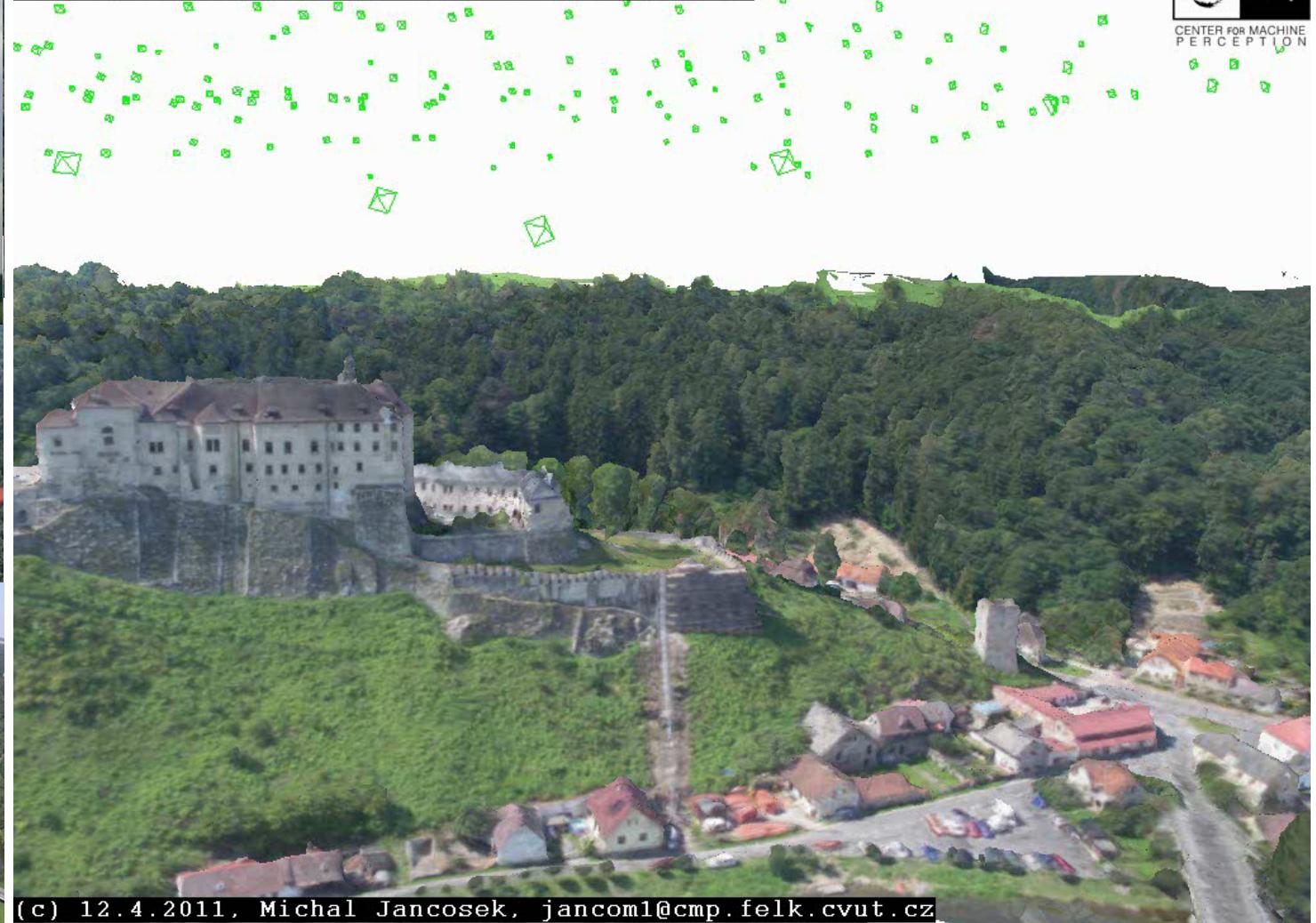


Textured Surface





Automatic 3D Reconstruction of Sternberg data-set.
Sternberg data-set: 324 (3056 x 2296) images.





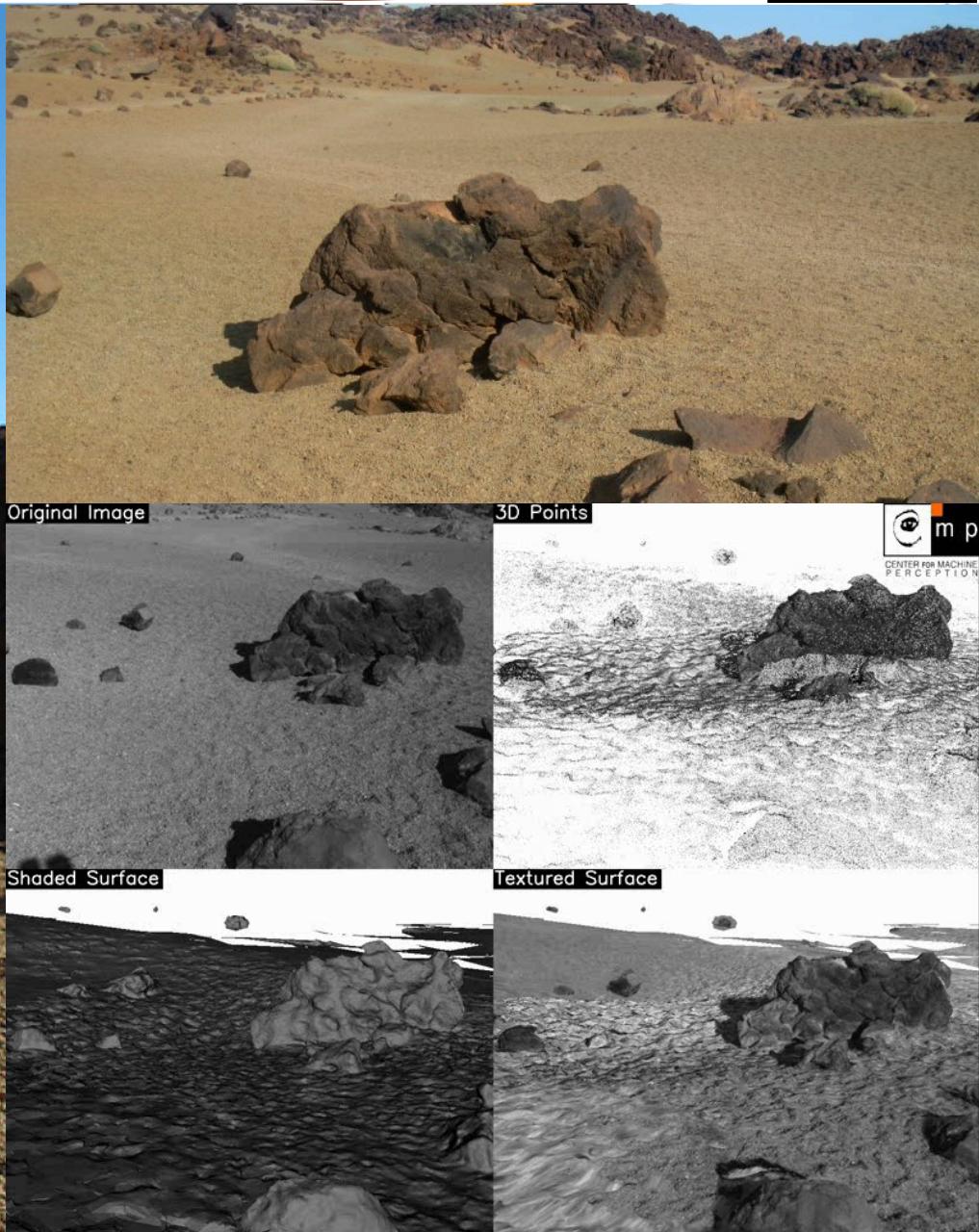
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3 D reconstruction pipeline

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switch DataType
case { pts, ... }
if RANSAC grass
msg(I, "RANSAC<0>");
(ModelIn, l)
msg(I, "RANSAC grass<0>");
else
msg(I, "RANSAC grass<1>");
(ModelIn, l)
msg(I, "RANSAC grass<1>");
ulv[0] = wof(1, 0);
if RANSAC grass<1>
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CMP SfM WebService

User login

Username: pajdla

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Log In

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What?
CMP SfM Web Service provides a remote access to the 3D reconstruction systems developed in Center for Machine Perception. The access to the system is granted on request by email to Tomas Pajdla <pajdla@cmp.felk.cvut.cz>.

Why?
We provide the access to the service to our partners and to people in the Computer Vision community to make it easier to use our codes. There is no need to install any code on a client's computer and all the computations are performed on our dedicated computing cluster. Further, it makes it easier to compare the results of different methods to ours based on the same data.

News

- 17/03/11 - You can now use ► icon in 'Datasets table' to run SfM (No XML file needed).
- 06/01/11 - New web interface (version Tokyo).

Input Images

0:00 / 0:00

Output Model

300 users

2000 scenes

5000 rec's

See the proceedings ...



Microsoft PowerPoint - [...]



Welcome to CMP SfM ...

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OUTLINE

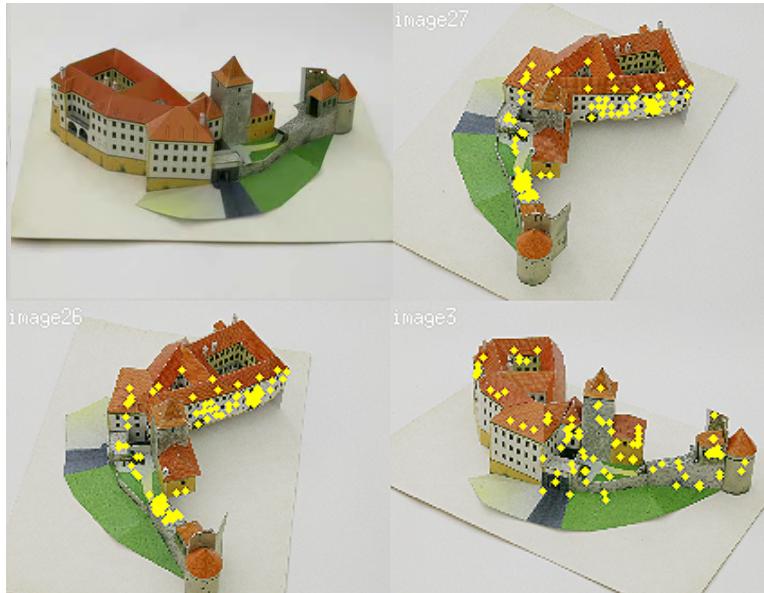
1. Key elements of 3D reconstruction
 1. Camera relative pose computation
 2. From point clouds to surfaces
2. Applications



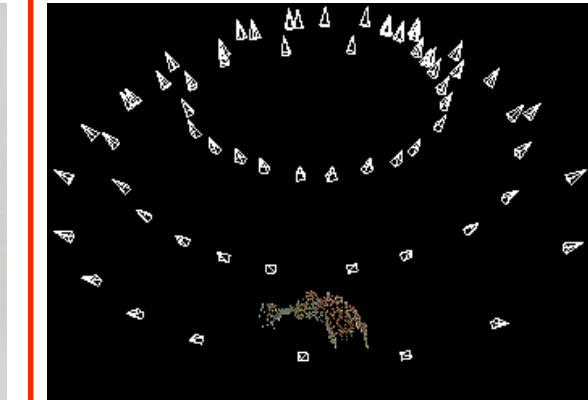
Key elements of 3D RECONSTRUCTION

3D Reconstruction from Photographs

1. SFM: Images & EXIFs



→ Cameras poses

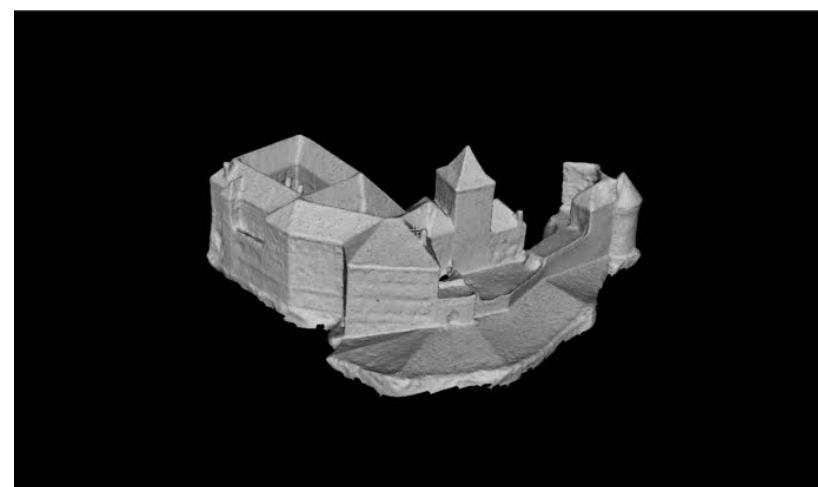


→ Sparse point cloud



2. MVS:

→ 3D Surface



→ Texture





RELATIVE CAMERA POSE PROBLEM

SOLUTIONS

2004(6-12)

An old important problem (Grunnert 1841 ...) with new solutions:

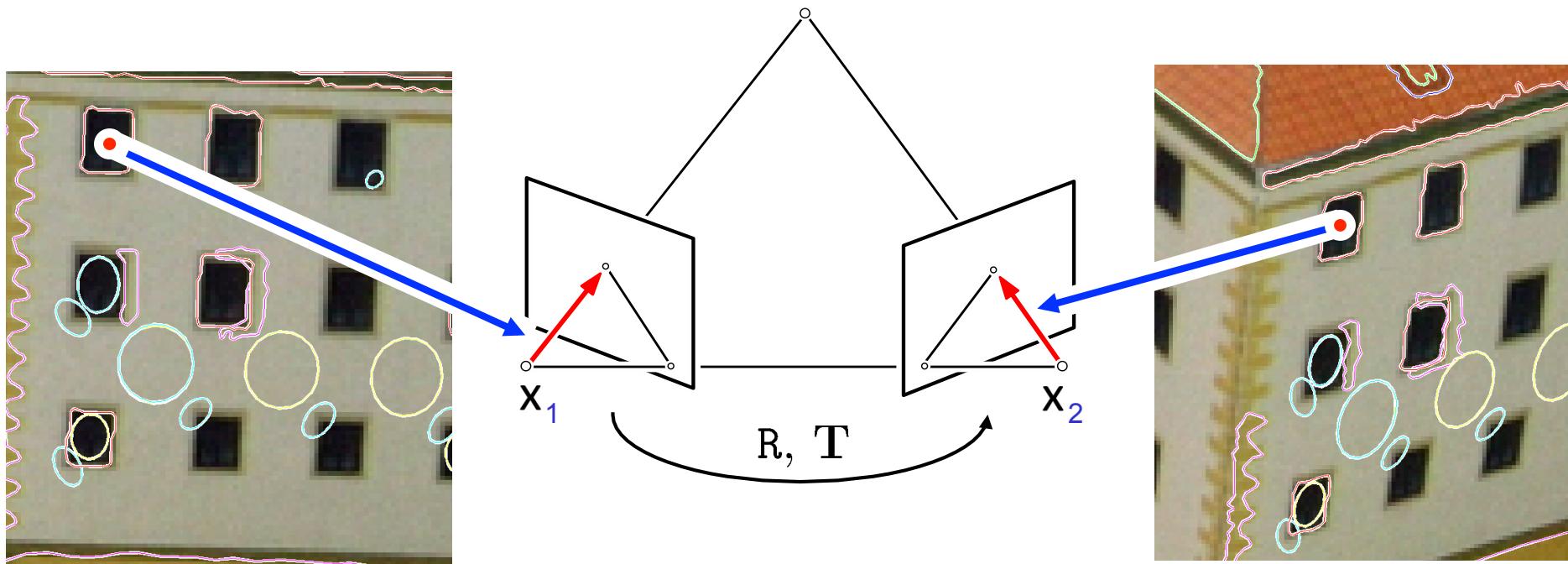
D. Nister. *An efficient solution to the five-point relative pose*
IEEE PAMI, 2004.

H. Stewenius, C. Engels, and D. Nister. *Recent developments on direct relative orientation*
ISPRS J. of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing, 2006.

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RELATIVE CAMERA POSE PROBLEM

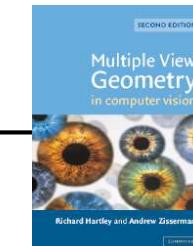


$$\mathbf{x}_2^\top \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x}_1 = 0$$

$$\det \mathbf{F} = 0$$

solve

$$\mathbf{F}$$

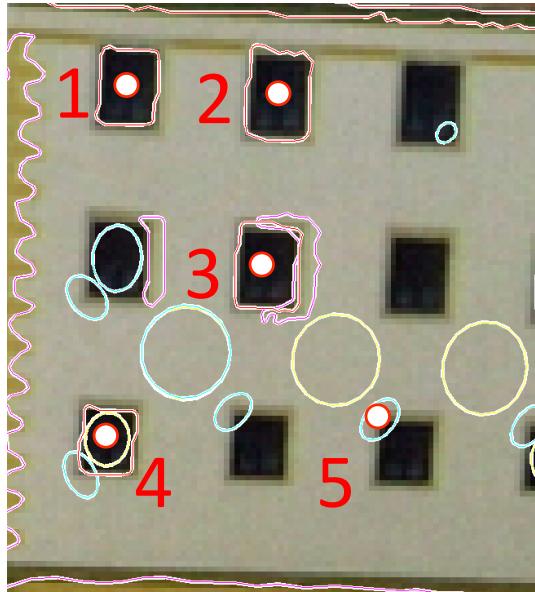


$$\mathbf{R}, \frac{\mathbf{T}}{\|\mathbf{T}\|}$$

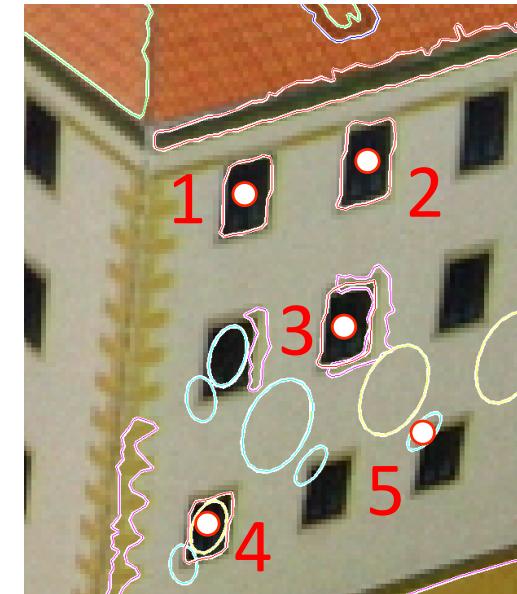
$$2\mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}^\top \mathbf{F} - \text{trace}(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}^\top)\mathbf{F} = 0$$

Algebraic equations

MINIMAL PROBLEMS & RANSAC



5 (correct) matches
are sufficient
to compute F
(but there are many
incorrect tentative
matches)

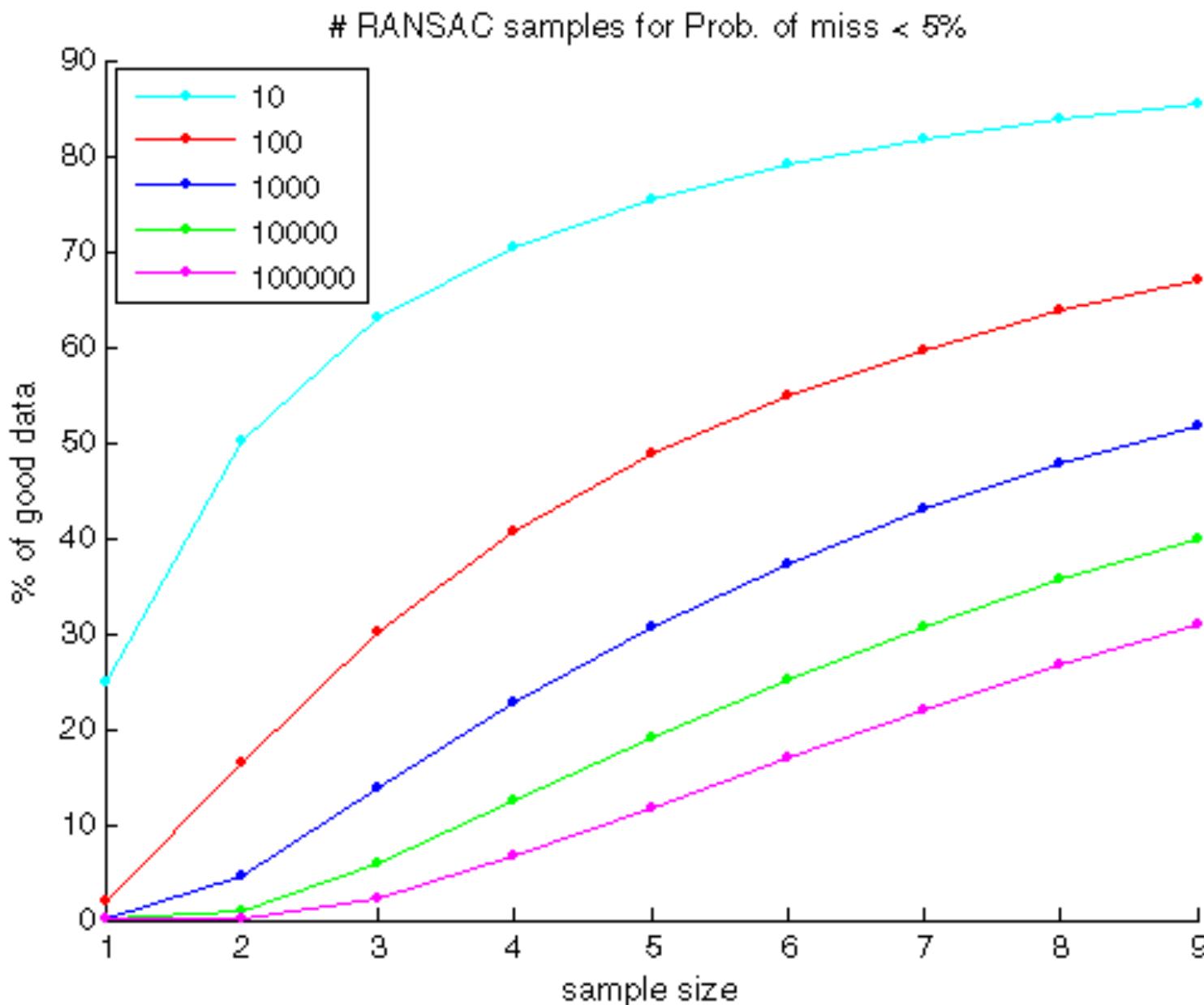


RANSAC (RANdom SAMpling Consensus)

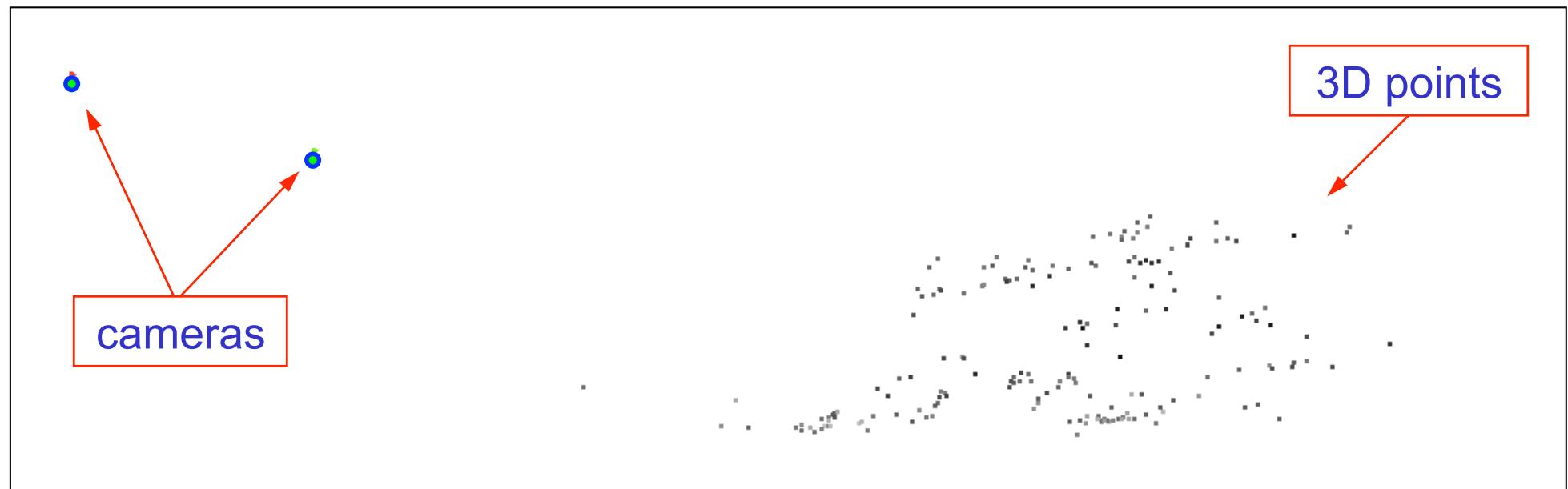
- 1. Generate random 5-tuples of matches
- 2. Compute F by solving $\mathbf{x}_2^\top F \mathbf{x}_1 = 0$ (not so trivial)
- 3. Count the number of good matches

Return the largest set of good matches

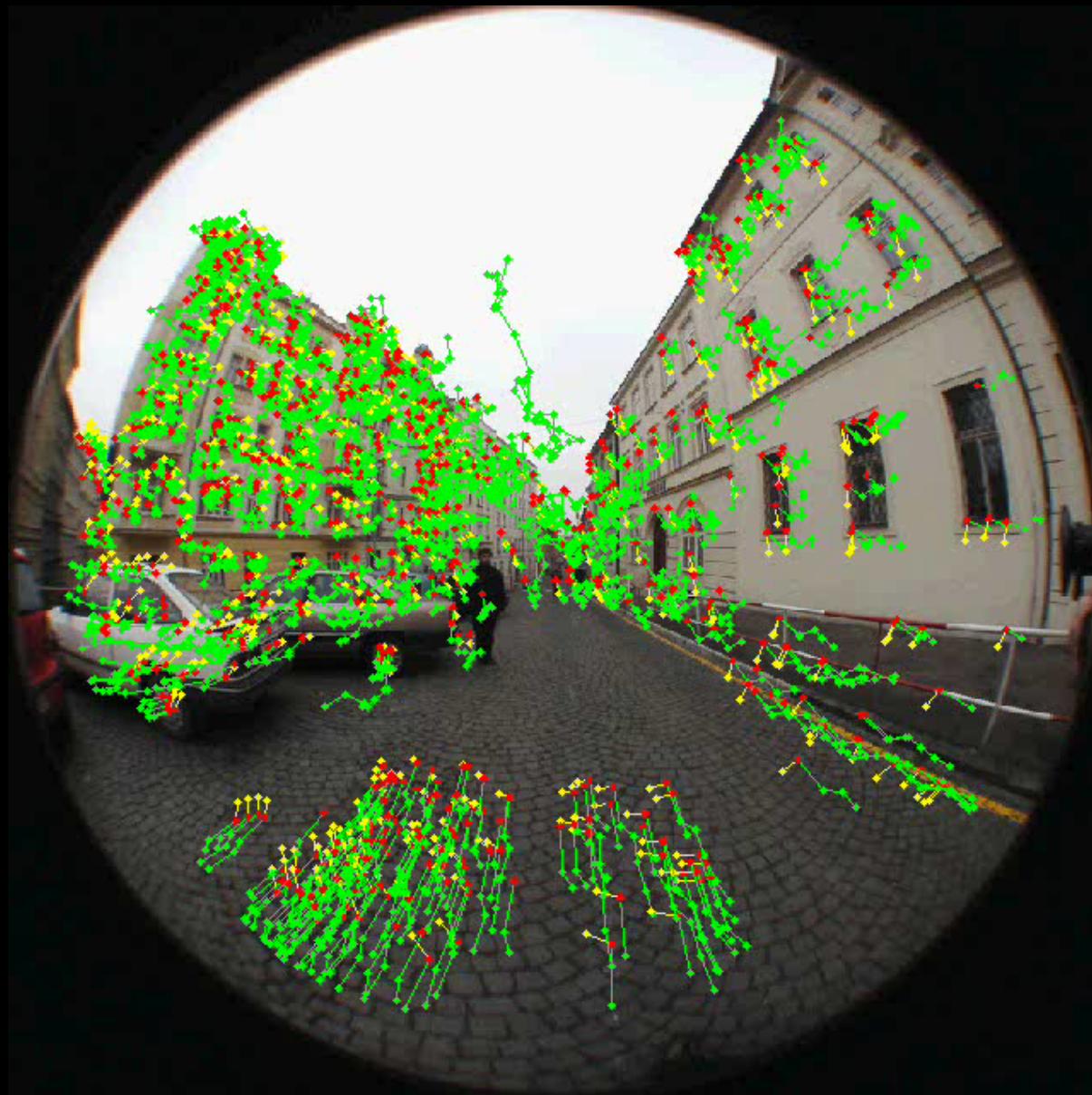
of RANSAC SAMPLES for PROB. of MISS < 5%



SPARSE MATCHES between TWO VIEWS



FISH-EYE IMAGE SEQUENCE



Features
Tracks
Matches

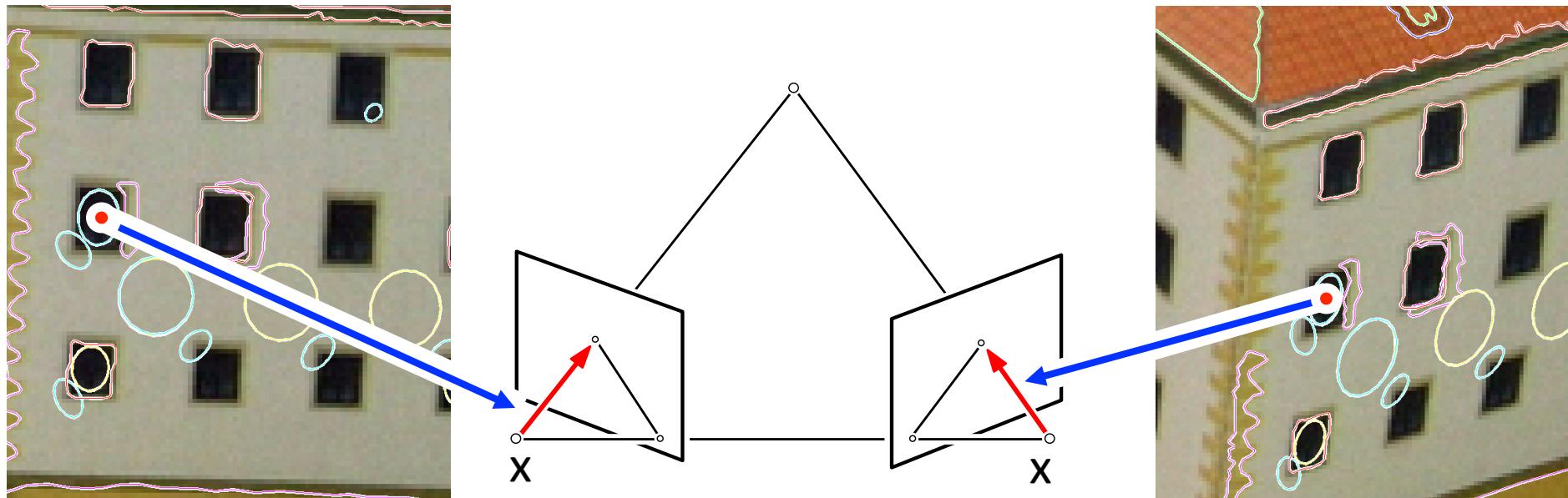


RELATIVE CAMERA POSE

PROBLEM

ESSENTIAL (F) MATRIX
COMPUTATION

FORMULATION



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x}_2^\top \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x}_1 = 0 \\ \det \mathbf{F} = 0 \\ 2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{F}^\top \mathbf{F} - \text{trace}(\mathbf{F} \mathbf{F}^\top) \mathbf{F} = 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{Algebraic equations}$$

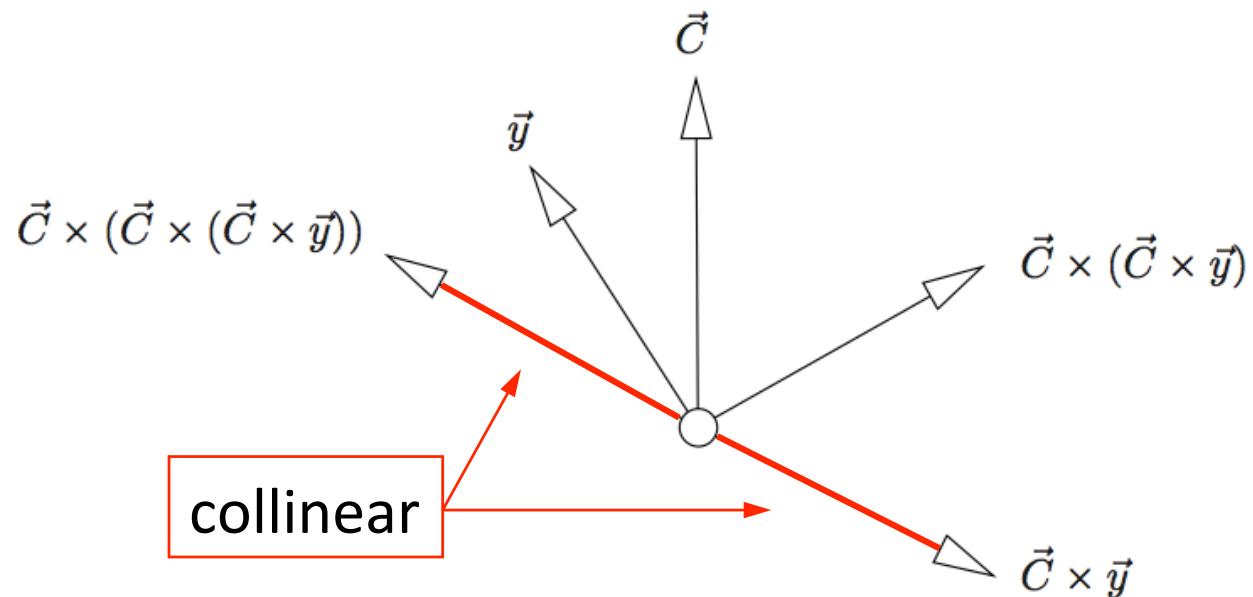
EQUATIONS

$$\mathbf{x}_2^\top \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x}_1 = 0 \quad \dots \text{ Epipolar constraint (1 eq per match)}$$

$$\det \mathbf{F} = 0 \quad \dots \text{ Fundamental matrix (1 eq)}$$

$$2\mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}^\top\mathbf{F} - \text{trace}(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}^\top)\mathbf{F} = 0 \quad \dots \text{ Essential matrix (9 eqns)}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{R} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{C}_{\epsilon_1} \end{bmatrix}_x$$



UNKNOWNS

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} f_{11} & f_{12} & f_{13} \\ f_{21} & f_{22} & f_{23} \\ f_{31} & f_{32} & f_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$


9 unknowns but only 8 have to be found (F up to scale)

→ we need at least 8 independent equations

EQUATIONS

$$\det F = 0$$

1 equation, degree 3

$$2FF^\top - \text{trace}(FF^\top)F = 0$$

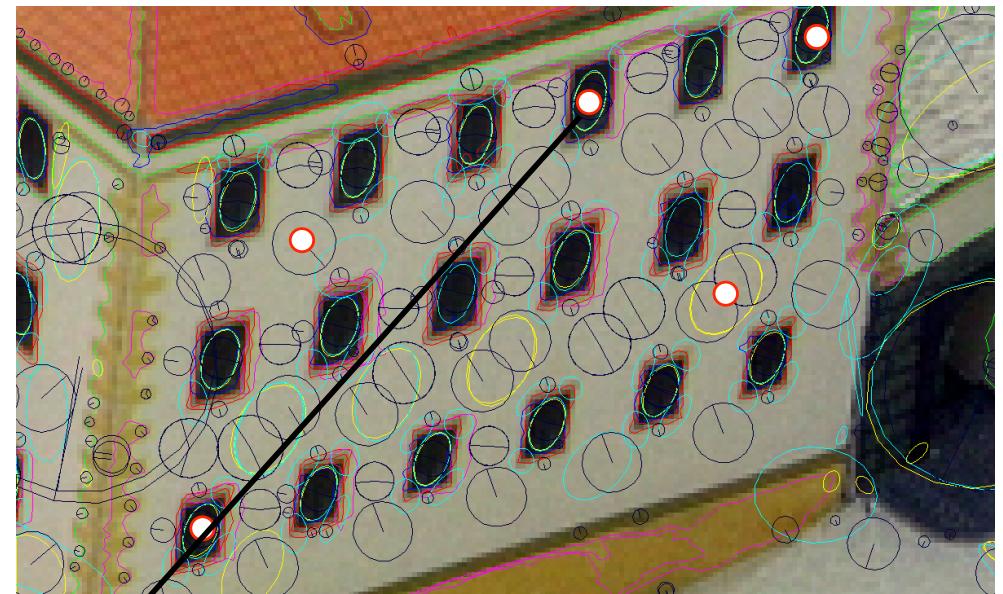
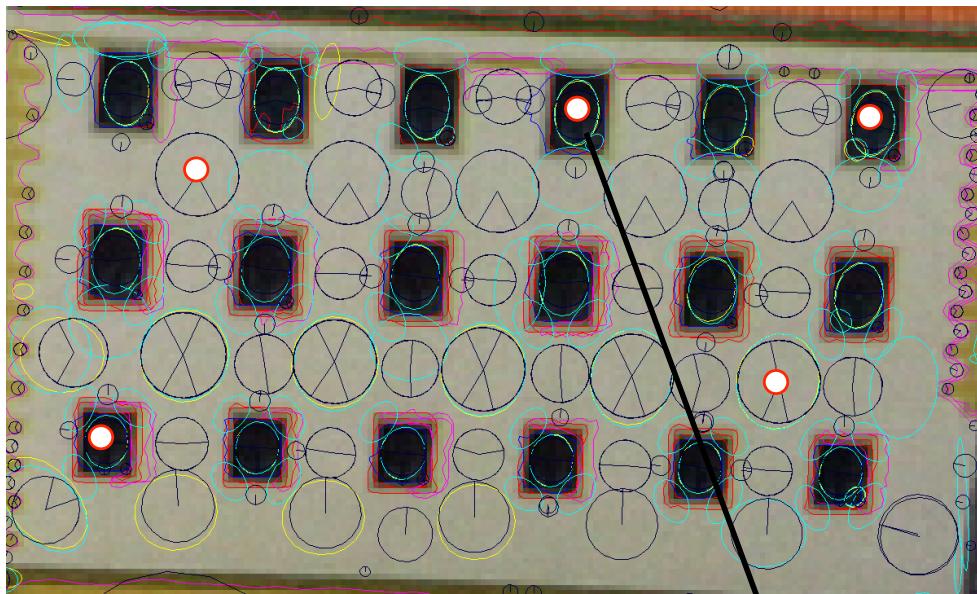
9 equations, degree 3

10 equations but only 3 “independent”

$$8 = 3 + 5$$

→ 5 more equations needed

5 EQUATIONS from image points



$$\mathbf{x}_2^\top \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x}_1 = 0$$

5 linear equations:

$$\bullet f_{11} + \bullet f_{12} + \bullet f_{13} + \bullet f_{21} + \bullet f_{22} + \bullet f_{23} + \bullet f_{13} + \bullet f_{23} + \bullet f_{31} + \bullet f_{32} + \bullet f_{33} = 0$$

ELIMINATING UNKNOWNS

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can be written in a matrix form

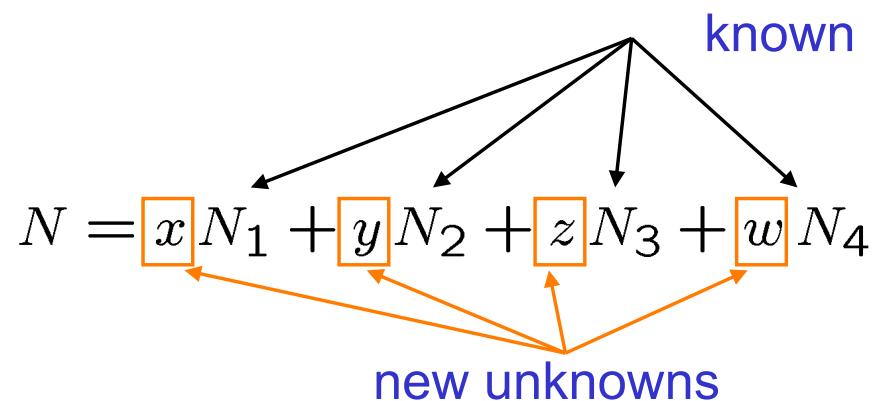
$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} f_{11} \\ f_{12} \\ f_{13} \\ f_{21} \\ \vdots \\ f_{33} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

ELIMINATING UNKNOWN S

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{bmatrix}}_{A} \begin{bmatrix} f_{11} \\ f_{12} \\ f_{13} \\ f_{21} \\ \vdots \\ f_{33} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

A 5×9 matrix \rightarrow it has a 4 dimensional nullspace

$$A N = 0$$



ELIMINATING UNKNOWNS

$$F \sim x N_1 + y N_2 + z N_3 + w N_4 \quad \dots 4 \text{ unknowns}$$

F is up to scale \rightarrow choose a representative by setting $w = 1$

$$F := x N_1 + y N_2 + z N_3 + N_4$$

 3 unknowns x, y, z



substitute

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \det F = 0 \\ 2FF^\top - \text{trace}(FF^\top)F = 0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} 10 \text{ 3rd order equations in} \\ 3 \text{ unknowns } x, y, z \end{array}$$

SOLVING IT

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \det F = 0 \\ 2FF^T F - \text{trace}(FF^T)F = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

10 3rd order equations in
3 unknowns (x, y, z)

?



How?

ESSENTIAL (F) MATRIX

COMPUTATION

THE FASTEST (available) SOLUTION

Idea (1567 µs)

Z. Kukelova, M. Bujnak, T. Pajdla

Polynomial eigenvalue solution to the 5-pt and 6-pt relative pose problems

BMVC 2008

Efficient implementation (34 µs)

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1 UNKNOWN → EIGENVALUES

1 equation, 1 variable → companion matrix → eigenvalues

$$f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 + x - 6 = -6 + 1x + 4x^2 + 1x^3$$

$$M_x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

... a simple rule

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>> e=eig(M_x)
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$$e = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad x_1 = 1, x_2 = -2, x_3 = -3$$

EIGENVALUES SOLVE ALG EQNS

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>> λ = eig([0 0 6;  
           1 0 -1;  
           0 1 -4])
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Numerical implementation

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 0 & 6 \\ 1 & -\lambda & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Eigenvalues solve a special system of algebraic eqns via the hidden variable method

“Hide” λ

$$6x_3 - \lambda x_1 = 0$$

$$x_1 - x_3 - \lambda x_2 = 0$$

$$x_2 - 4x_3 - \lambda x_3 = 0$$

linear bilinear (linear in λ)

POLYNOMIAL EIGENVALUE SOLUTION

m equations, n variables

$$f_1(x, y) = 25xy - 15x - 20y + 12$$

$$f_2(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 1$$

“Hide” y (the “hidden variable method”)

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} y^2 + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 25 & 20 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} y + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -15 & 12 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} x^2 \\ x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

2 × 3 matrix → ∞ sols !!! → 

POLYNOMIAL EIGENVALUE SOLUTION

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$\rightarrow \text{add } xf_1(x, y) = 25x^2y - 15x^2 - 20xy + 12x$

$\underbrace{}_{C_2} \quad \underbrace{}_{C_1} \quad \underbrace{}_{C_0}$

`>> [v, y]=polyeig(C0, C1, C2)`

POLYNOMIAL EIGENVALUE PROBLEM

Quadratic eigenvalue problem

$$(\lambda^2 A + \lambda B + C)x = 0$$

... can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^2 Ax + \lambda Bx + Cx &= 0 \\ \lambda A(\lambda x) + \lambda Bx + Cx &= 0 \\ y &= \lambda x \\ \lambda A y + \lambda Bx + Cx &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\lambda \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & C \\ -I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} y \\ x \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Generalized eigenvalue problem

... generalization of

$$\begin{aligned} Mx &= \lambda x \\ \Updownarrow \\ (M - \lambda I)x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Higher order PolyEigs:
A. Wallack, I. Z. Emiris, D. Manocha.
*MARS - A Maple-Matlab-C
Resultant-based Solver.*

6-pt UNKNOWN f CAMERA RELATIVE POSE

Epipolar constraint $\mathbf{x}_j'^\top \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x}_j = 0, \ j = 1, \dots, 6$

9 unknowns – 6 correspondences = 3 dimensional nullspace

$$\mathbf{F} = x \mathbf{F}_1 + y \mathbf{F}_2 + \mathbf{F}_3$$

Fundamental matrix is singular $\det(\mathbf{F}) = 0$

Transfer F to the essential matrix $\mathbf{E} = \begin{pmatrix} f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{F} \begin{pmatrix} f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Constraints on E $2\mathbf{E}\mathbf{E}^\top - \text{trace}(\mathbf{E}\mathbf{E}^\top)\mathbf{E} = 0$

6-pt UNKNOWN f CAMERA RELATIVE POSE

- $10 \times 3^{\text{rd}}$ and 5^{th} order polynomial equations in 3 variables x, y and $w = f^{-2}$ with 30 monomials

$$w^2(x^3, x^2y, xy^2, y^3, x^2, xy, y^2, x, y, 1) \quad w(x^3, x^2y, xy^2, y^3, x^2, xy, y^2, x, y, 1) \quad x^3, x^2y, xy^2, y^3, x^2, xy, y^2, x, y, 1$$

10 × 30

The diagram shows a horizontal vector of length 30, divided into three segments of length 10 each. Each segment contains a repeating pattern of monomials. Arrows point from this vector to three separate 10x10 matrices labeled C_2 , C_1 , and C_0 . These matrices are stacked vertically, with a brace on the right indicating they are part of a larger system.

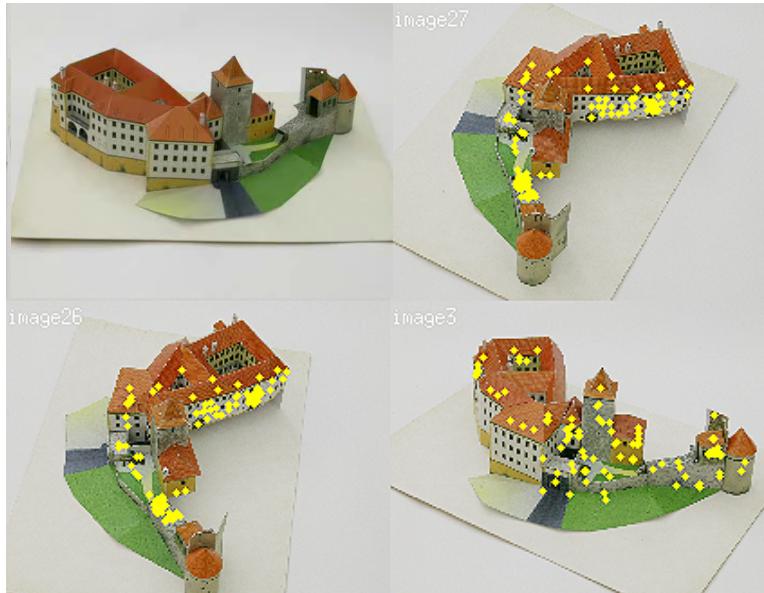
$$\left(\begin{array}{c} w^2 \\ \hline C_2 \\ 10 \times 10 \end{array} + w \begin{array}{c} \\ \hline C_1 \\ 10 \times 10 \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \\ \hline C_0 \\ 10 \times 10 \end{array} \right) \mathbf{v} = 0$$

- Quadratic polynomial eigenvalue problem (in MATLAB)

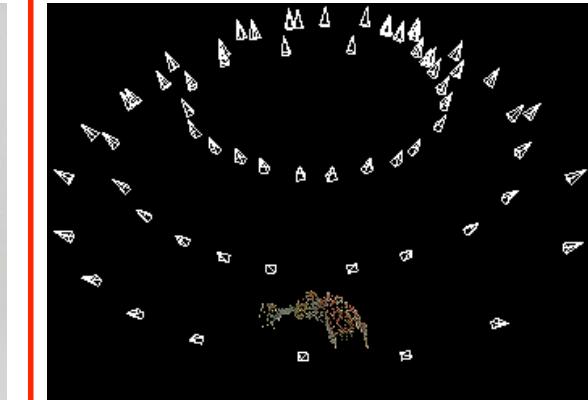
`[v, w] = polyeig(C0, C1, C2)`

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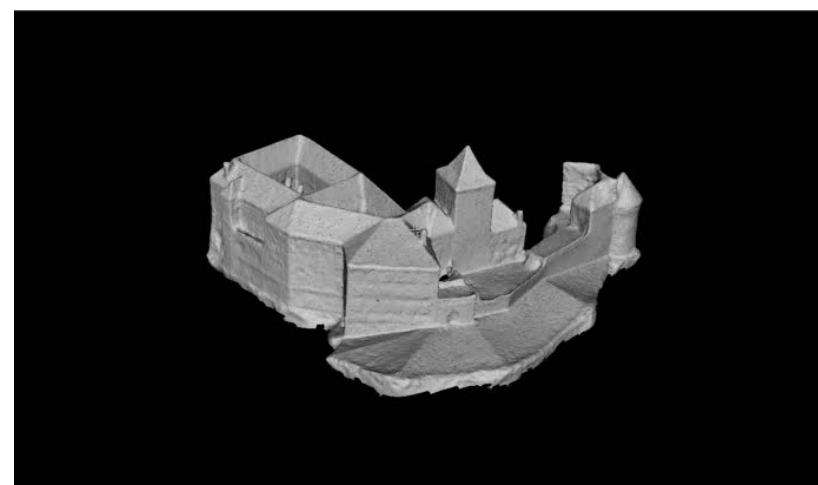


→ Sparse point cloud



2. MVS:

→ 3D Surface



→ Texture





FROM POINT CLOUDS TO SURFACES

MVS – MULTIVIEW STEREO

1. Making a point cloud

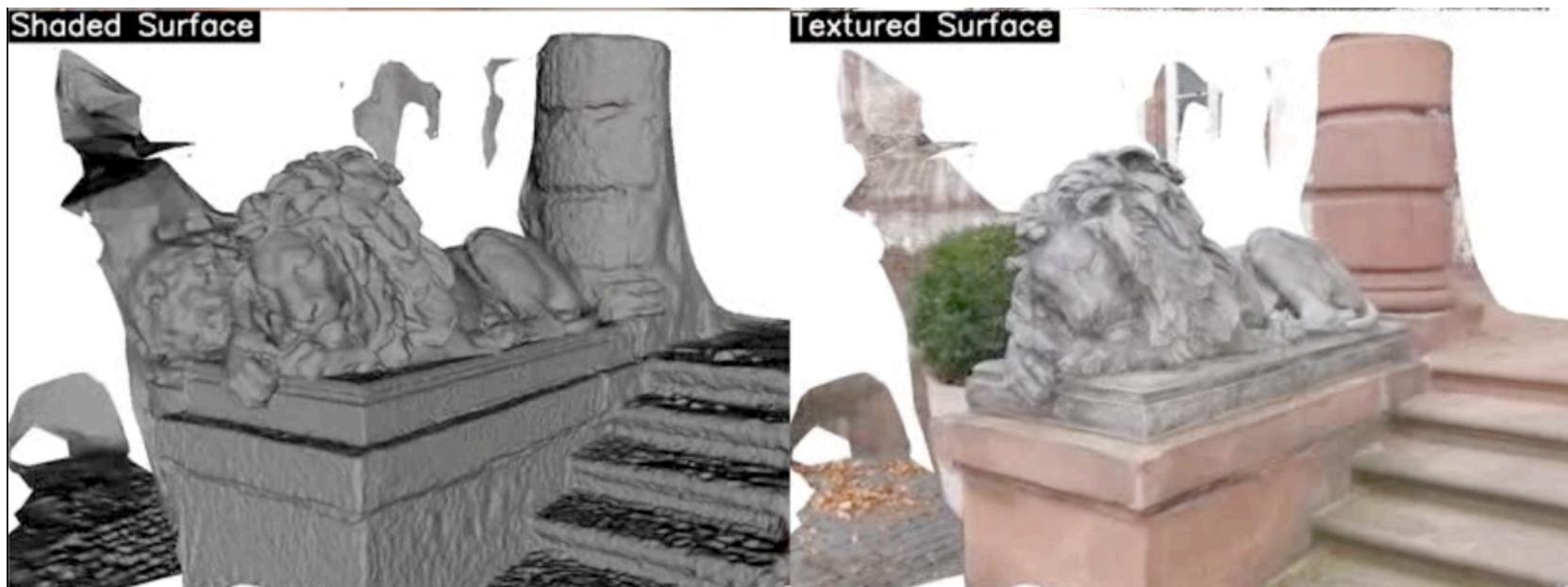


Plane sweeping

- Known camera poses and calibration (from SFM)
- Corrected perspective images
- Camera neighborhood graph by intersecting view cones
- Sweeping planes with multiple orientations
- Cross correlation (GPU)

MVS – MULTIVIEW STEREO

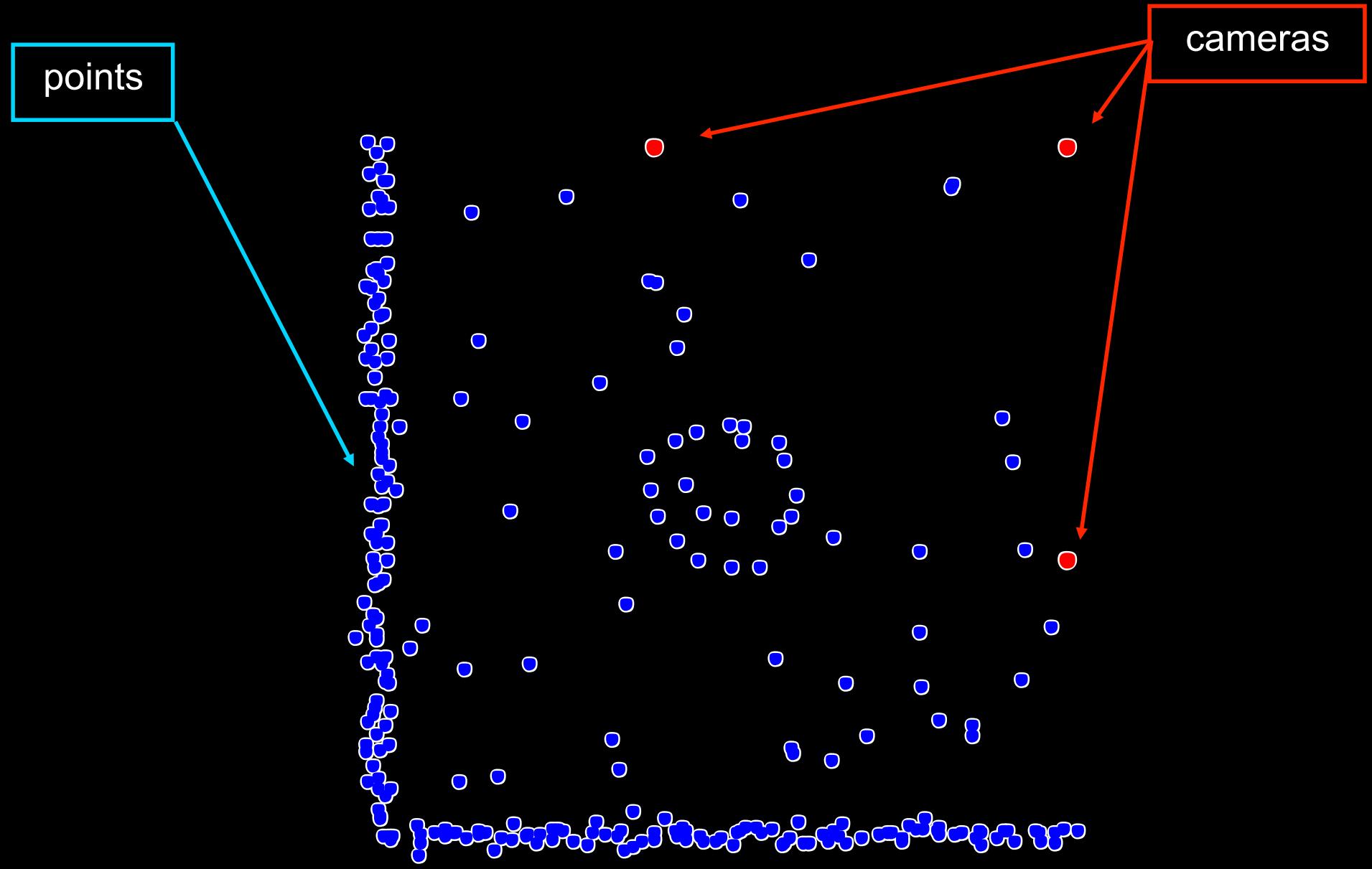
2. Surface from a point cloud



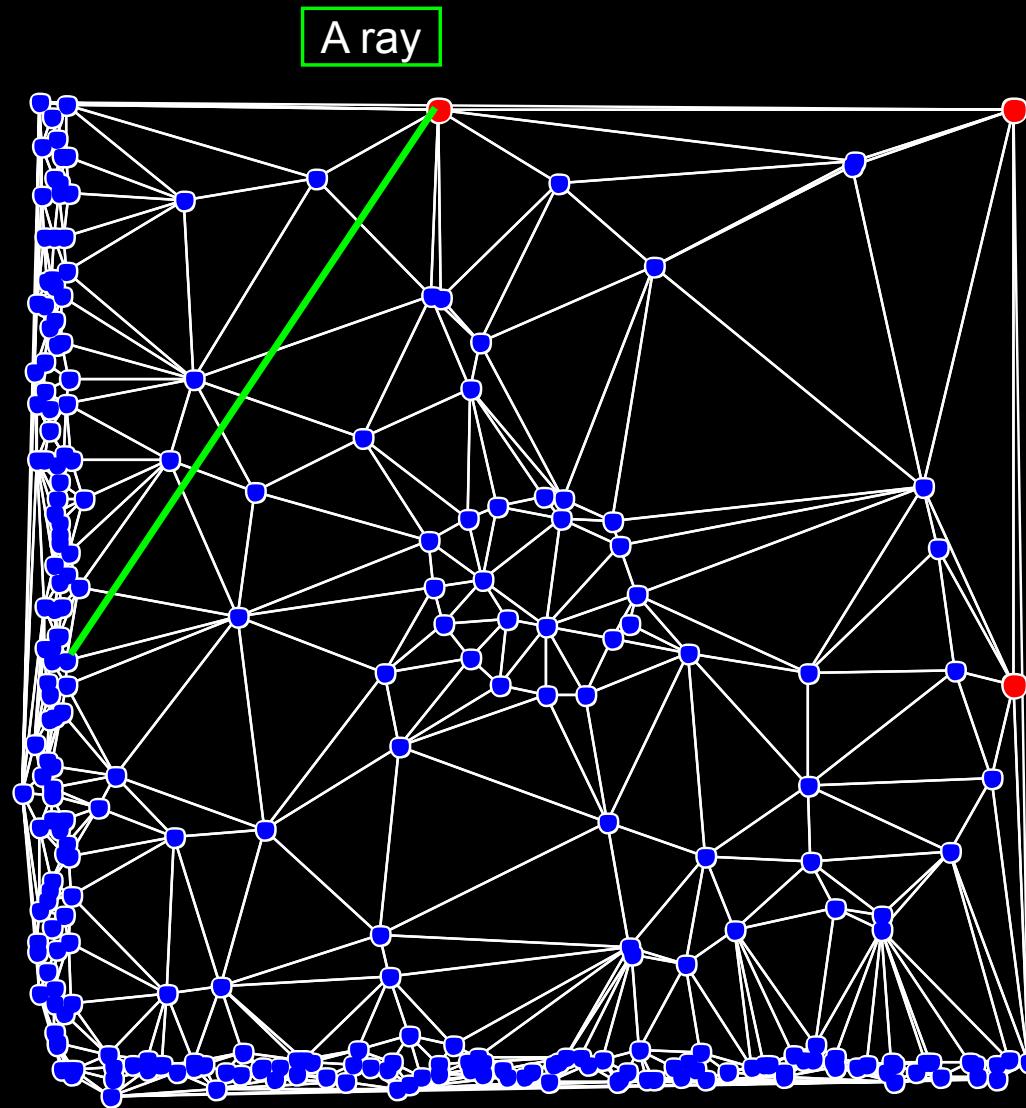
Surface by st-cut of a graph

- Point clustering reduces the number of points
- Based on visibility, i.e. does not use images (which makes it faster)
- Semi-global = space partitioned into boxes, which are solved separately but visibility constraints are shared between the neighboring boxes
- can solve 1k (2-3 MPix) images in an hour (Capturing Reality impl.)

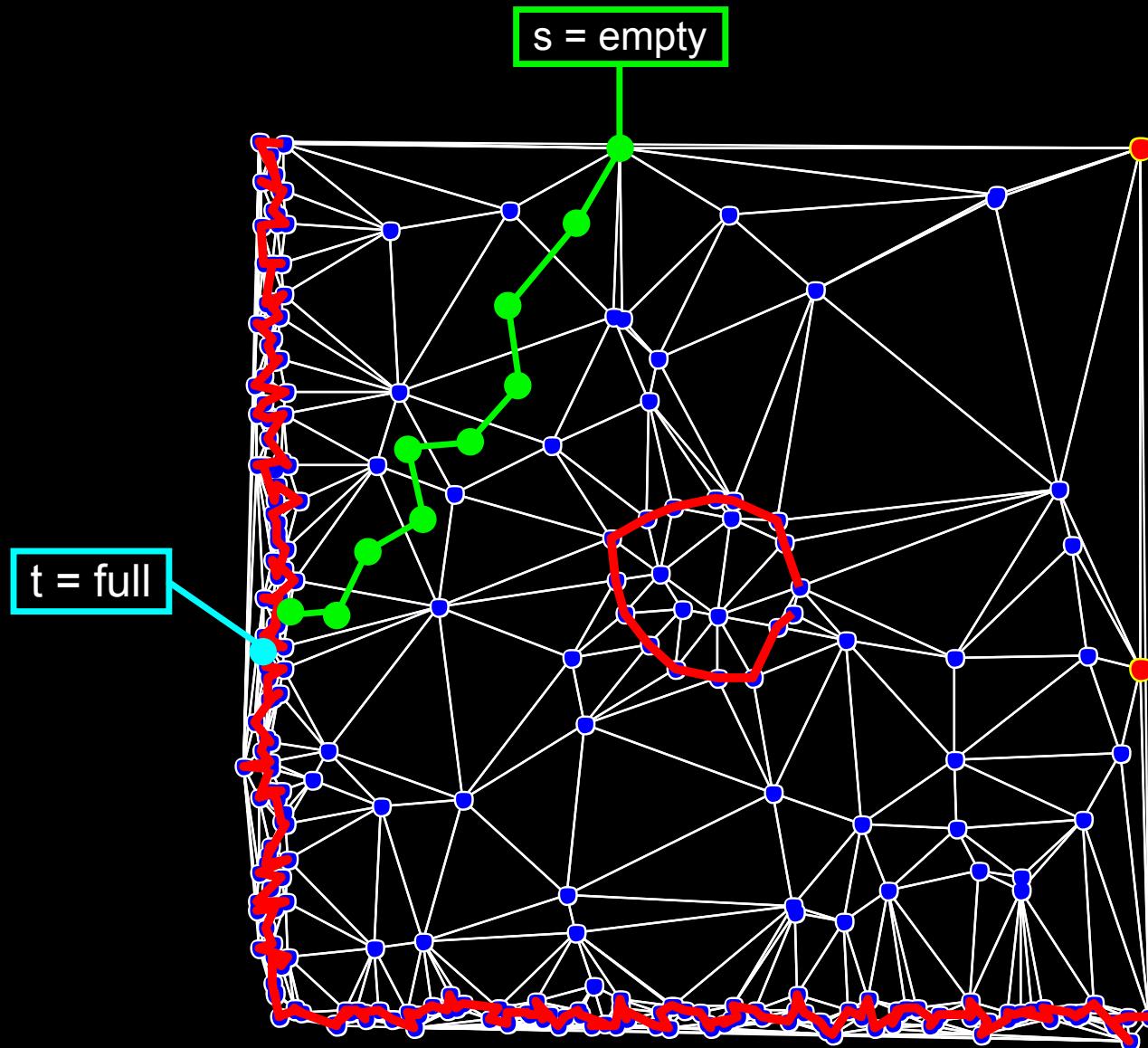
Cameras from SFM and points from plane sweeping



Weighting the dual graph (Delaunay tetrahedralization)



Surface = s-t cut through the dual graph



M V S – M U L T I V I E W S T E R E O

2. Surface from a point cloud

P. Labatut, J.-P. Pons, R. Keriven. (→ Accute3D)

Efficient Multi-View Reconstruction of Large-Scale Scenes using Interest Points,
Delaunay Triangulation and Graph Cuts.

ICCV 2007

M. Jancosek, T. Pajdla. (CMPMVS → Capturing Reality)

Multi-View Reconstruction Preserving Weakly-Supported Surfaces.

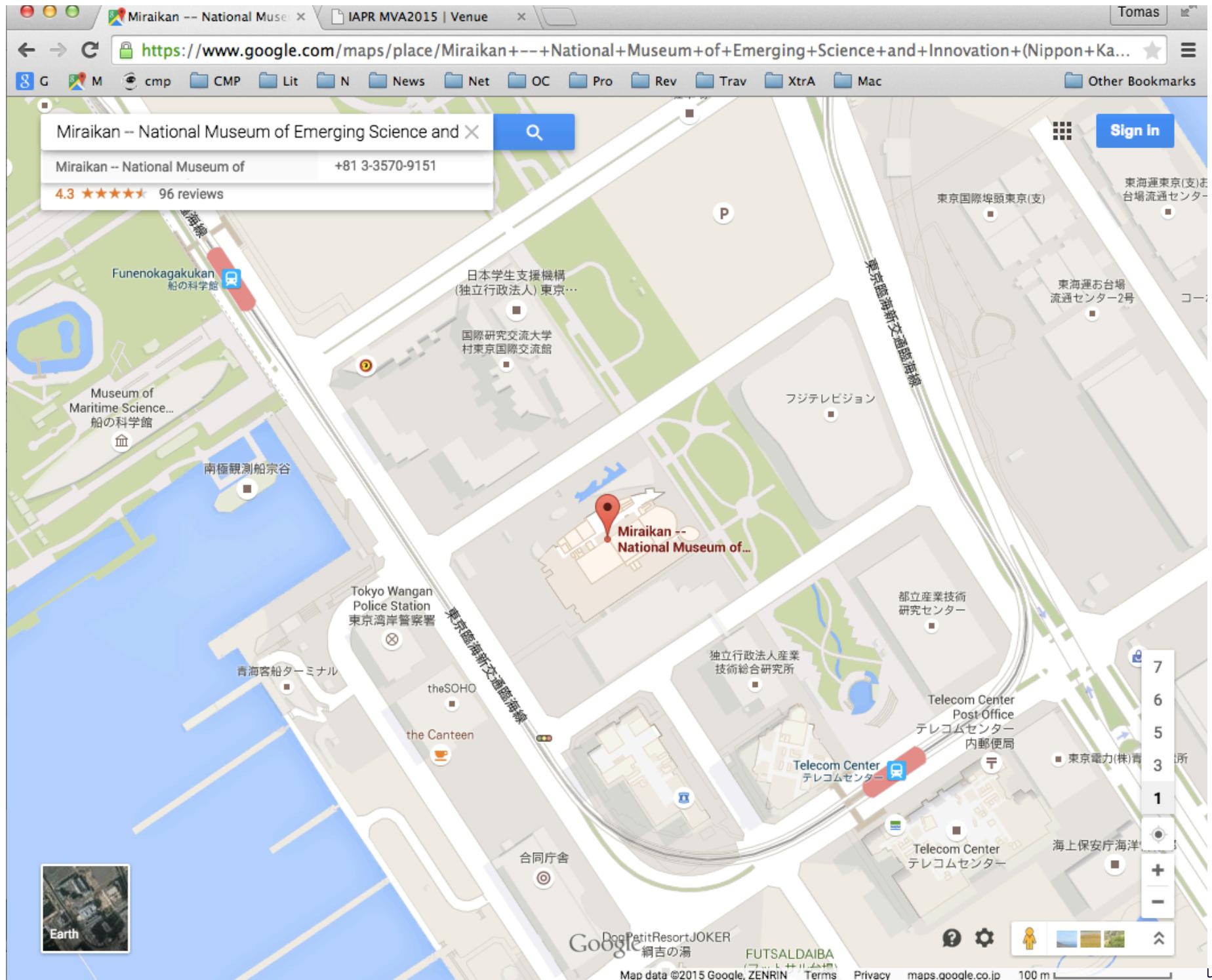
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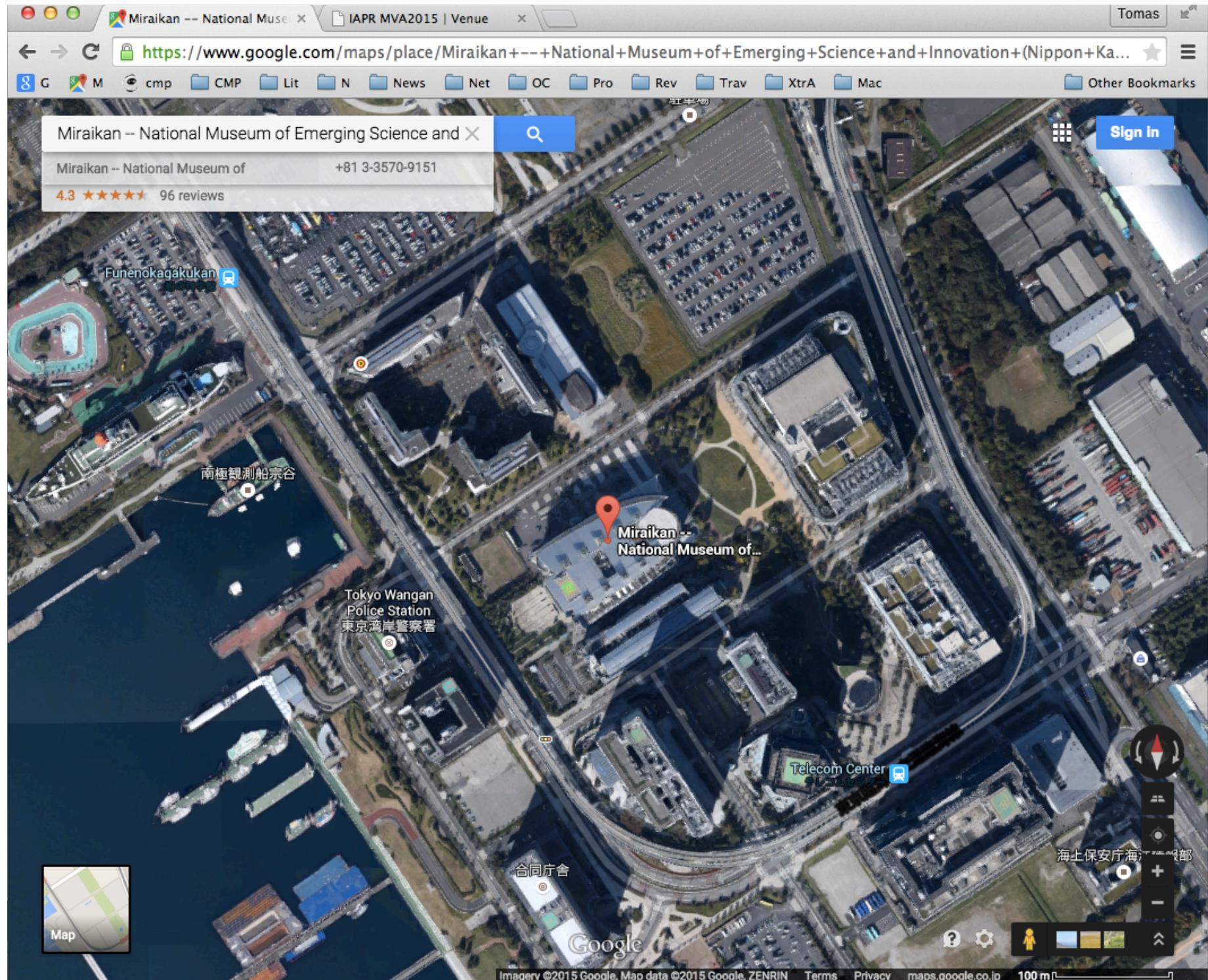
Binary available for CMPMVS

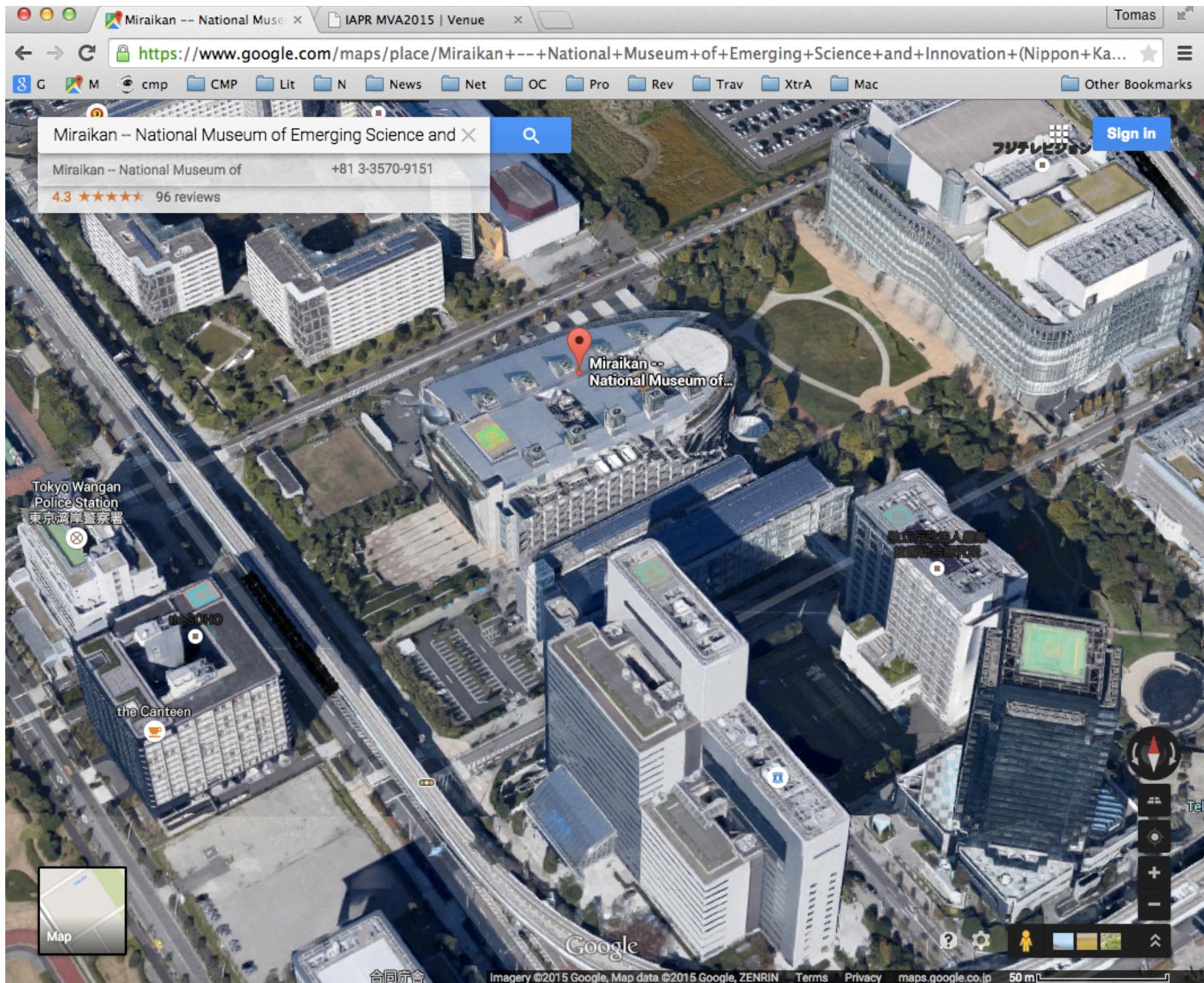
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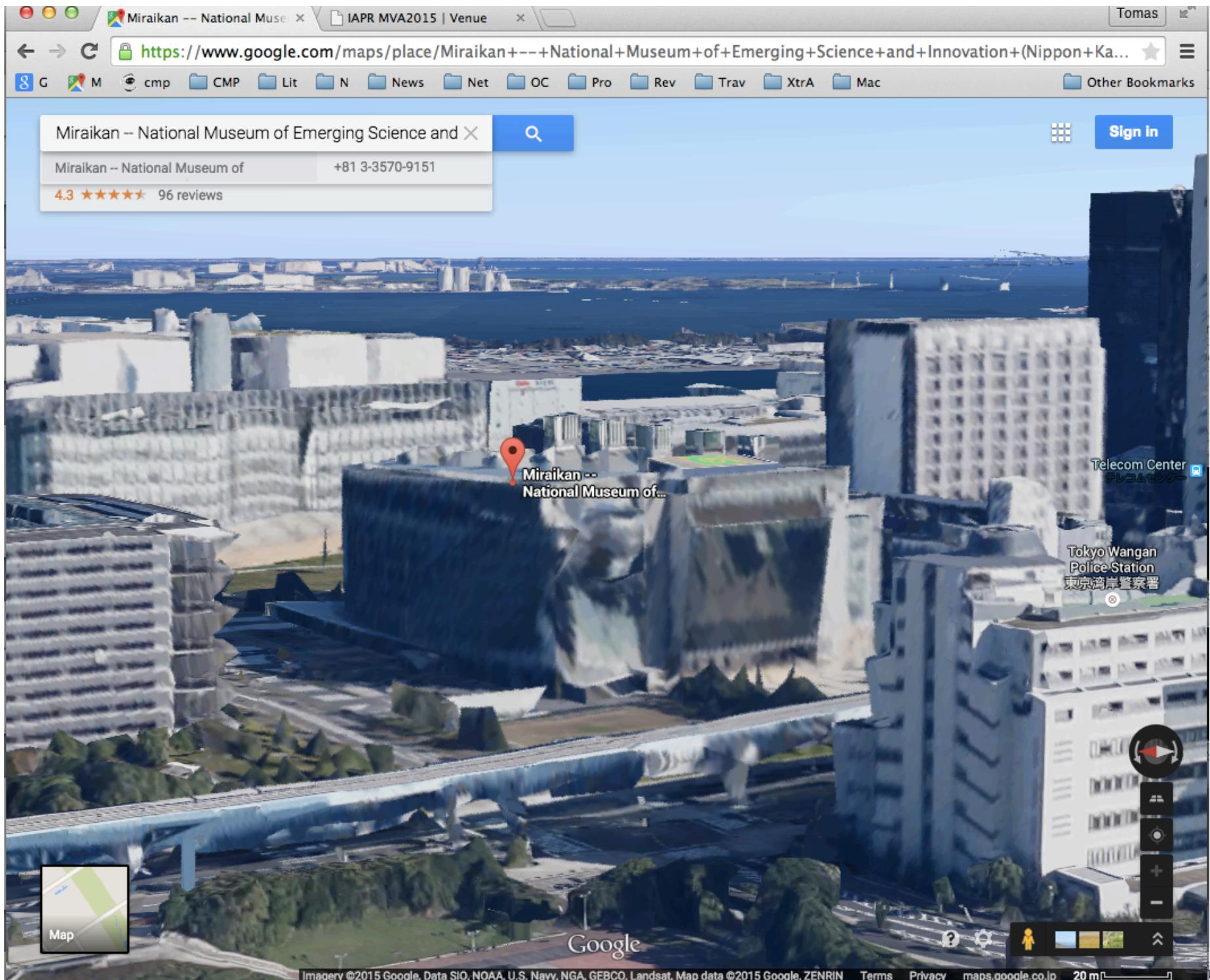


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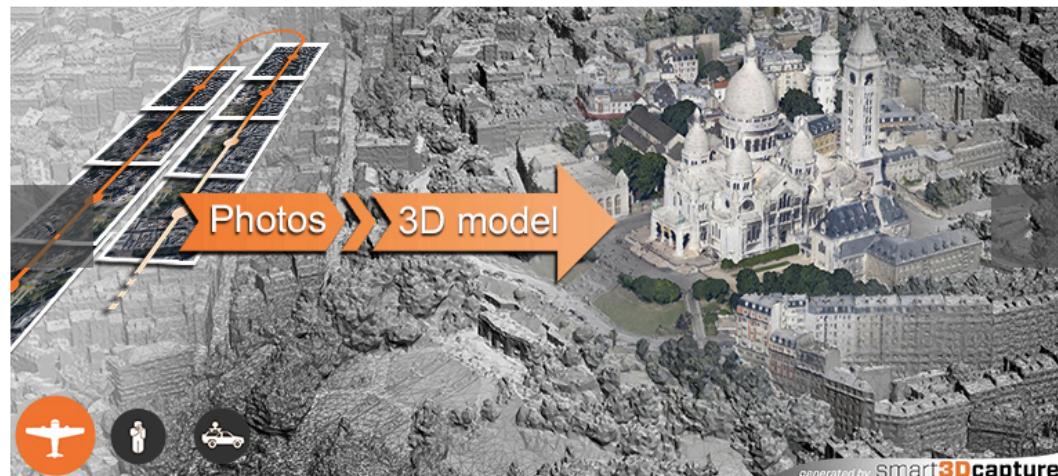
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Bentley Systems has acquired Acute3D

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February 10th, 2015



SMART3DCAPTURE V3.2 IS RELEASED

December 23rd, 2014



TECHNIDRONE TO TRAIN ALL PILOTS ON SMART3DCAPTURE

November 28th, 2014



ACUTE3D PARTNERSHIP WITH ALTIGATOR

November 28th, 2014



ACUTE3D RECRUITS

October 22nd, 2014



Founded 2011

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Formerly at IMAGINE Lab
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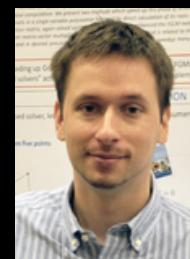
The state-of-the-art software which automatically extracts beautiful and accurate 3D models from a set of ordinary images and / or laser-scans.



Detailed 3D model of more than 19 million triangles reconstructed automatically from 263x 21MPx images in less than two hours.
Photography: Pato Safko



Founded 2014
Michal Jancosek (co-founder)
Formerly at CTU in Prague
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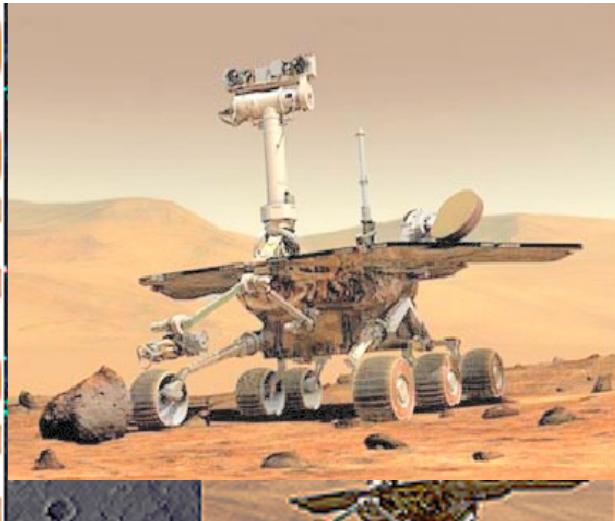
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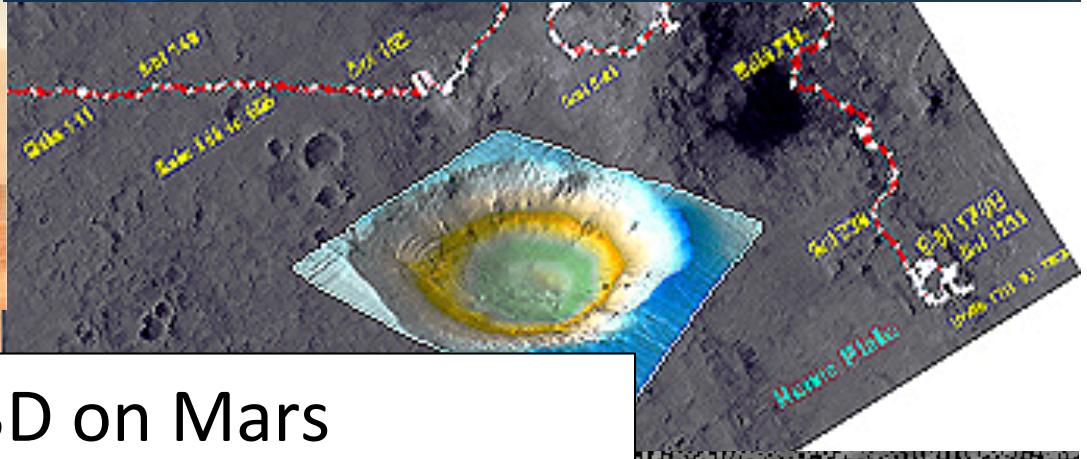
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