

# 3D photography (II)

Digital Visual Effects, Spring 2005

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## Announcements

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- Final project will be online tomorrow
- Proposal presentation on next Wednesday
- I will send out your current grades by next Wednesday
- Scribe (SIGGRAPH 2005, CVPR 2005, readings)
- Schedule for the next few weeks
  - 6/1 proposal
  - 6/8 making face/human
  - 6/15 random topics
  - 6/28 final project presentation

## Outline

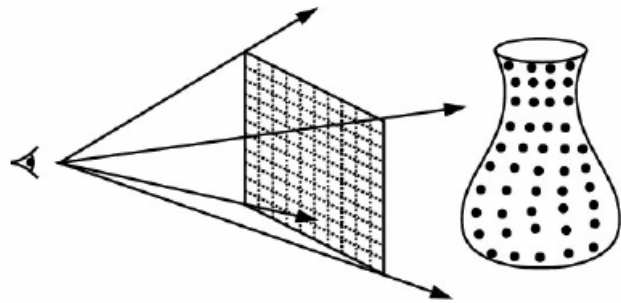
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- Range acquisition techniques
- Full model reconstruction
  - ICP
  - Volumetric reconstruction
- Systems, projects and applications
- Final project

## Range acquisition

## Range acquisition

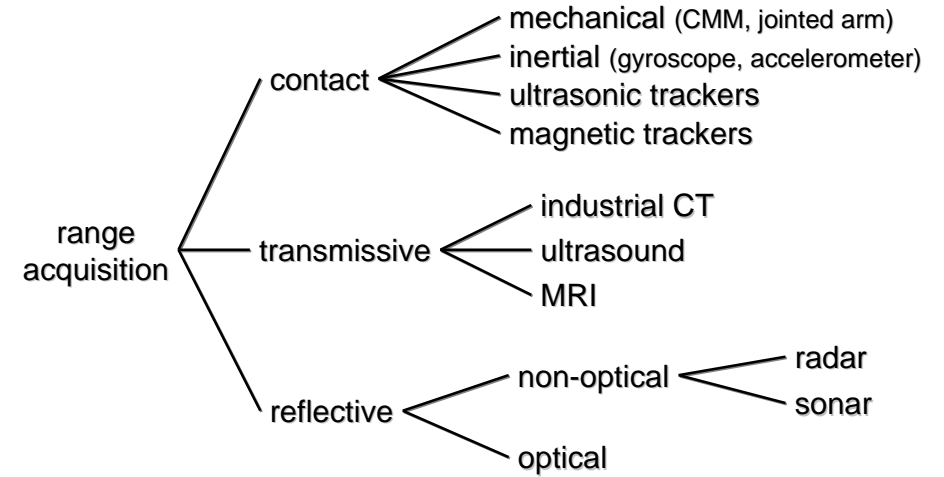
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Range image

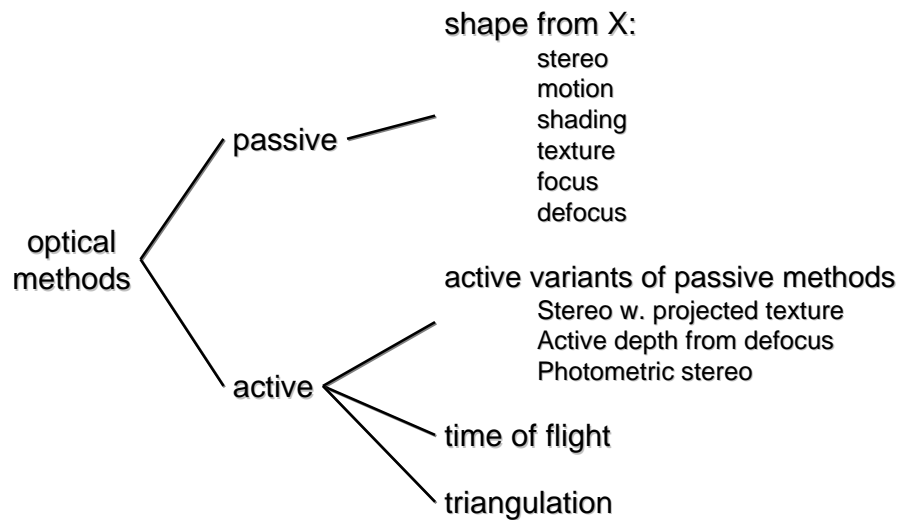
## Range acquisition taxonomy

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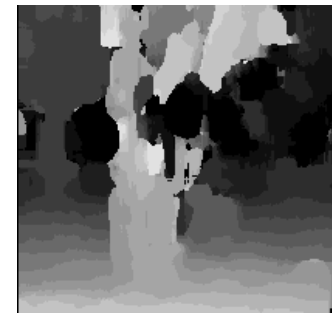
## Range acquisition taxonomy

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## Passive approaches

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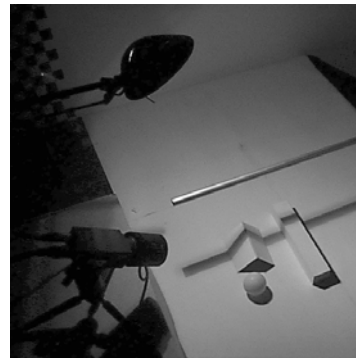


space carving

## Active approaches

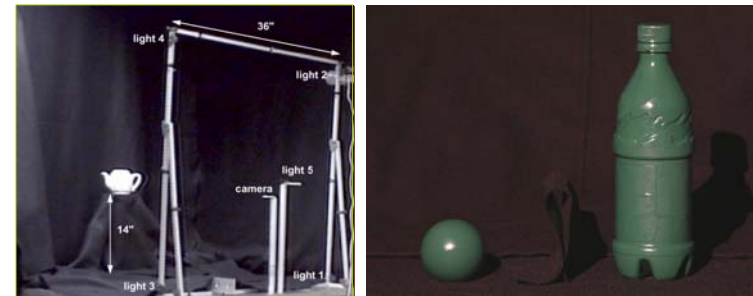


*Cyberware whole body scanner*



*shadow scanning*

## Active variants



## 3D Model Acquisition Pipeline

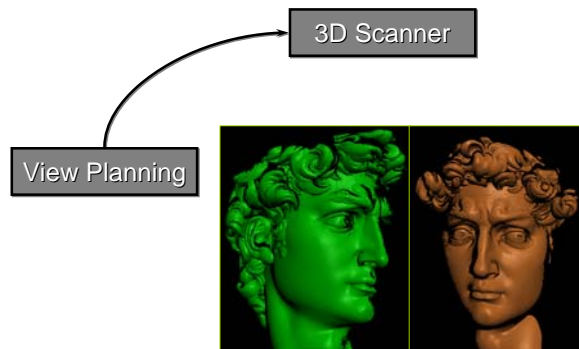
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## Full model reconstruction

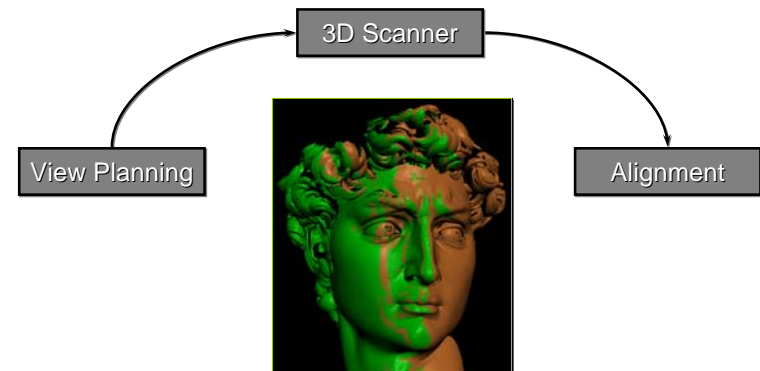
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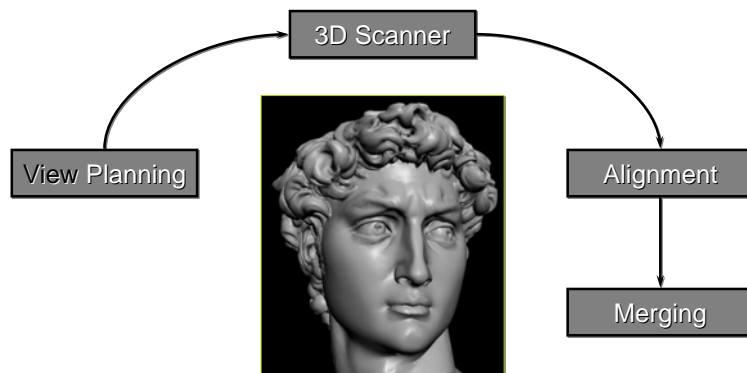
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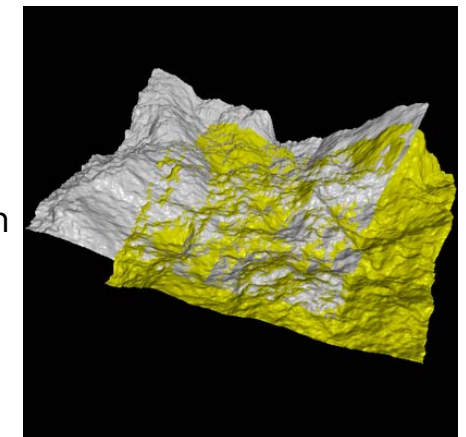
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## Problem

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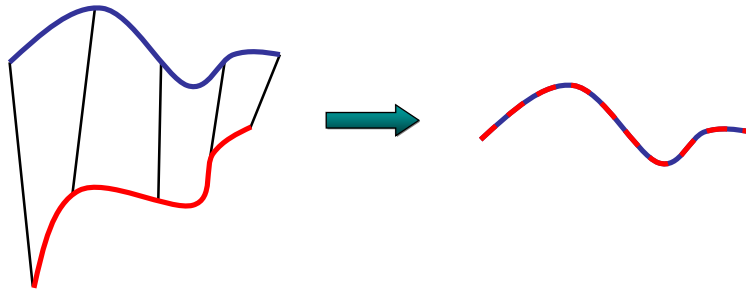
- Align two partially-overlapping meshes given initial guess for relative transform



## Aligning 3D data

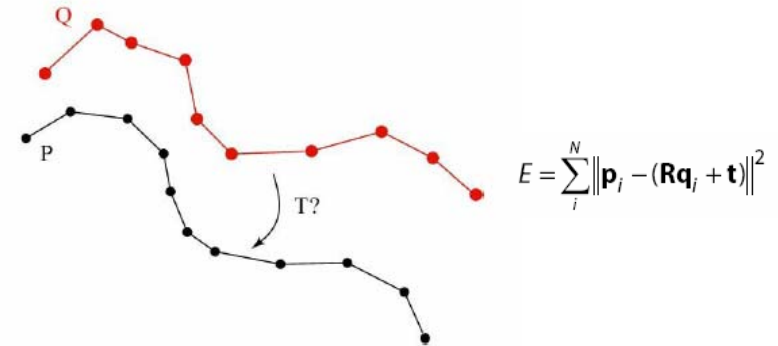
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- If correct correspondences are known, it is possible to find correct relative rotation/translation



## Find the optimal transformation

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## Find the optimal transformation

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To solve, we first compute the centroid of each point set:

$$\bar{\mathbf{p}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i^N \mathbf{p}_i \quad \bar{\mathbf{q}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i^N \mathbf{q}_i$$

Horn showed that the best rotation satisfies:

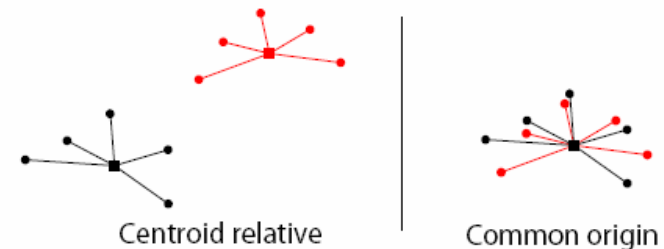
$$\arg\max_{\mathbf{R}} \sum_i^N (\mathbf{p}_i - \bar{\mathbf{p}})^T \mathbf{R} (\mathbf{q}_i - \bar{\mathbf{q}})$$

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In other words:

- Convert the points into vectors relative to their centroids.
- Find a rotation that makes corresponding vectors have dot products as close to 1 as possible.



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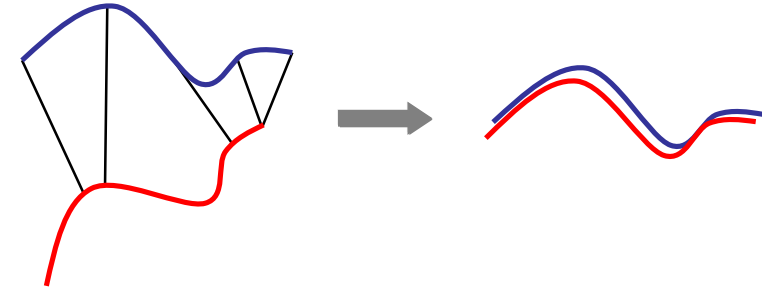
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- How to find corresponding points?
- Previous systems based on user input, feature matching, surface signatures, etc.

## Aligning 3D data

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- Alternative: assume closest points correspond to each other, compute the best transform...



## Aligning 3D Data

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- ... and iterate to find alignment
  - Iterated Closest Points (ICP) [Besl & McKay 92]
- Converges if starting position “close enough“



## ICP variants

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- Variants on the following stages of ICP have been proposed:
  1. **Selecting** source points (from one or both meshes)
  2. **Matching** to points in the other mesh
  3. **Weighting** the correspondences
  4. **Rejecting** certain (outlier) point pairs
  5. **Assigning** an error metric to the current transform
  6. **Minimizing** the error metric

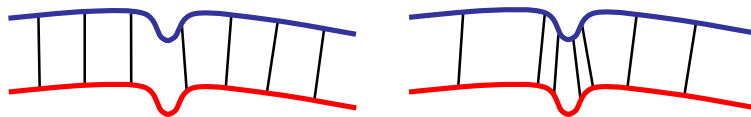
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## Selecting source points

- Use all points
- Uniform subsampling
- Random sampling
- Normal-space sampling
  - Ensure that samples have normals distributed as uniformly as possible

## Normal-space sampling

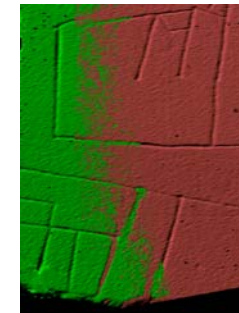


Uniform Sampling

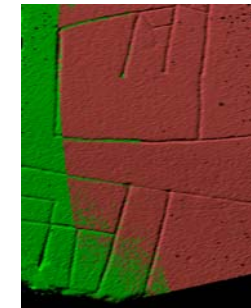
Normal-Space Sampling

## Normal-space sampling

- Conclusion: normal-space sampling better for mostly-smooth areas with sparse features



Random sampling



Normal-space sampling

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## Matching

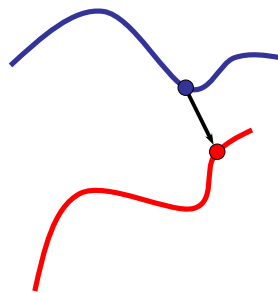
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- Matching strategy has greatest effect on convergence and speed
- Closest point
- Normal shooting
- Closest compatible point
- Projection

## Closest-point matching

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- Find closest point in other mesh

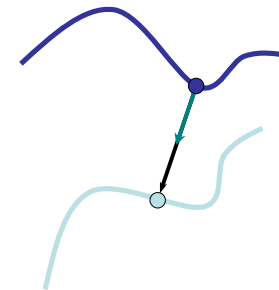


Closest-point matching generally stable, but slow and requires preprocessing

## Normal shooting

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- Project along normal, intersect other mesh



Slightly better than closest point for smooth meshes, worse for noisy or complex meshes



## Closest compatible point

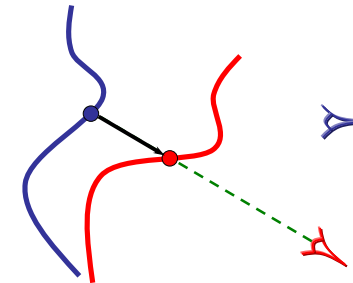
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- Can improve effectiveness of both of the previous variants by only matching to compatible points
- Compatibility based on normals, colors, etc.
- At limit, degenerates to feature matching

## Projection to find correspondences

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- Finding closest point is most expensive stage of the ICP algorithm
- Idea: use a simpler algorithm to find correspondences
- For range images, can simply project point [Blais 95]



## Projection-based matching

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- Slightly worse performance per iteration
- Each iteration is one to two orders of magnitude faster than closest-point

## ICP variants

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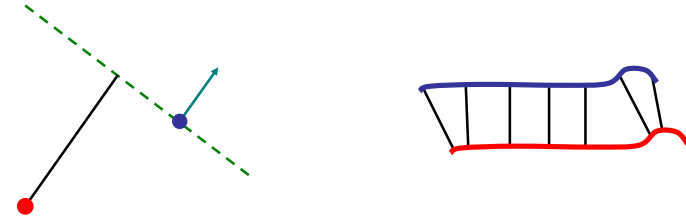
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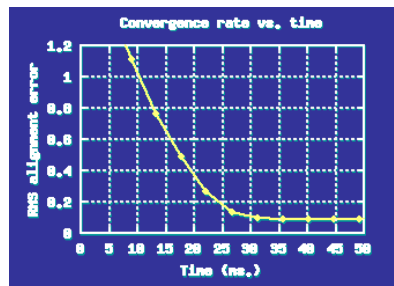
## Point-to-plane error metric

- Using point-to-plane distance instead of point-to-point lets flat regions slide along each other [Chen & Medioni 91]

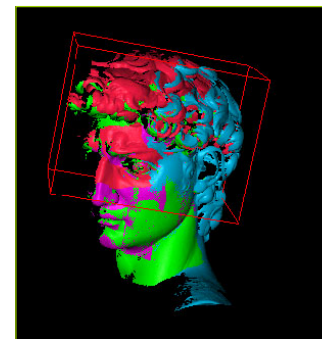


## High-speed ICP algorithm

- ICP algorithm with projection-based correspondences, point-to-plane matching can align meshes in a few tens of ms. (cf. over 1 sec. with closest-point)



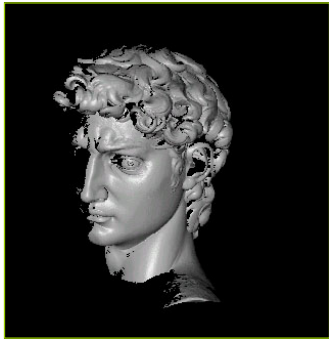
## Range processing pipeline



- Steps
  1. manual initial alignment
  2. ICP to one existing scan
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  5. merging using volumetric method

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### Steps

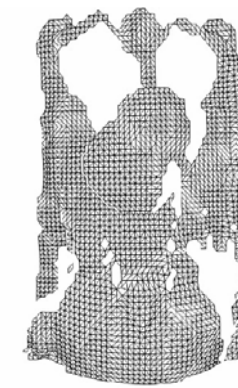
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## Volumetric reconstruction

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Range image



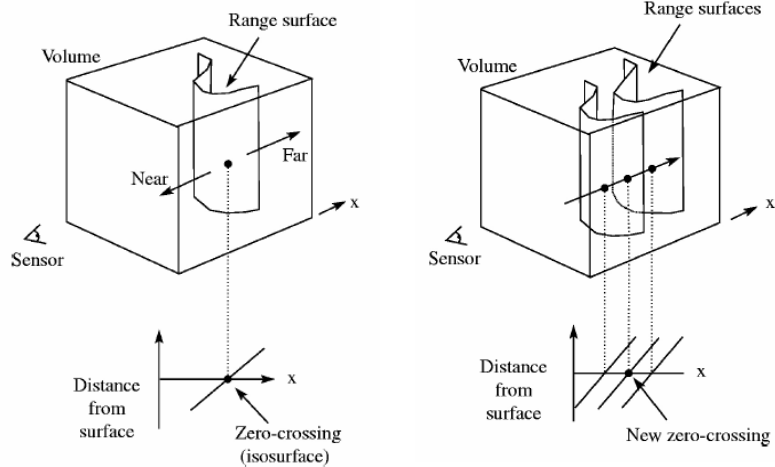
Tesellation



Range surface

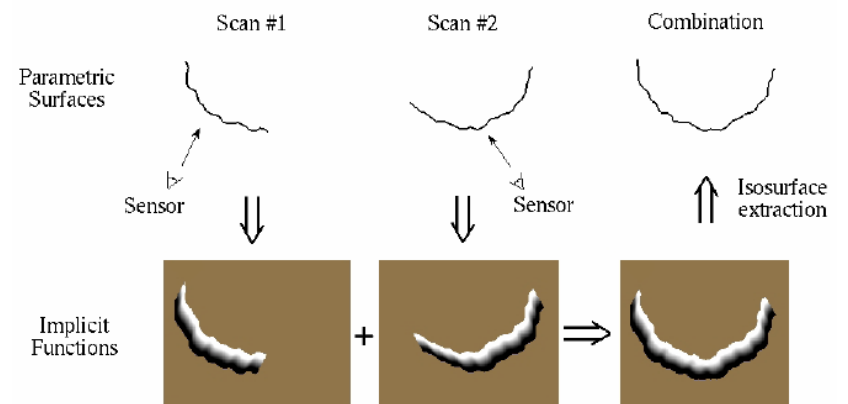
## Signed distance function

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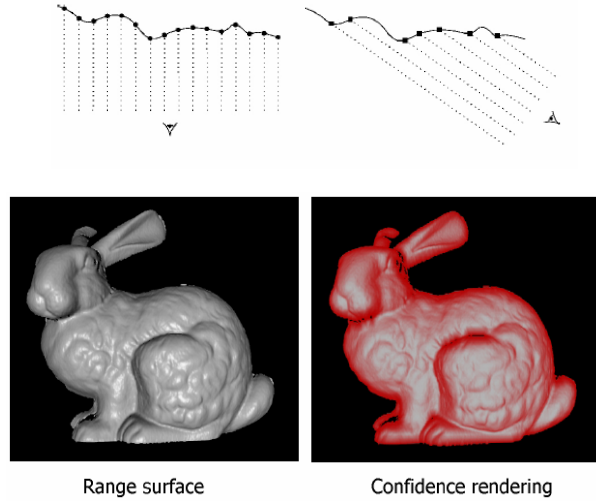


## Overview

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# Weighting



# Volumetric integration

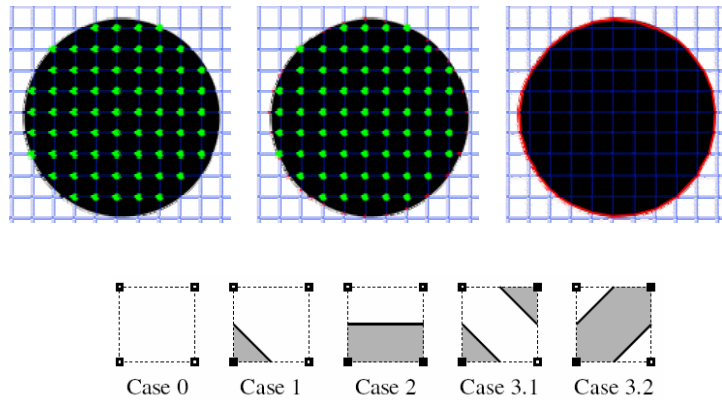
(Curless and Levoy, Siggraph'96)

The diagram shows a 3D volume with a sensor and two overlapping range surfaces (red and green). To the right, a graph plots 'signed distance to surface' against 'distance'. A blue curve represents 'weight (~accuracy)' and a red curve represents 'depth'. Below the graph, two intersecting lines represent 'surface 1' and 'surface 2', with their intersection marked as a 'combined estimate'.

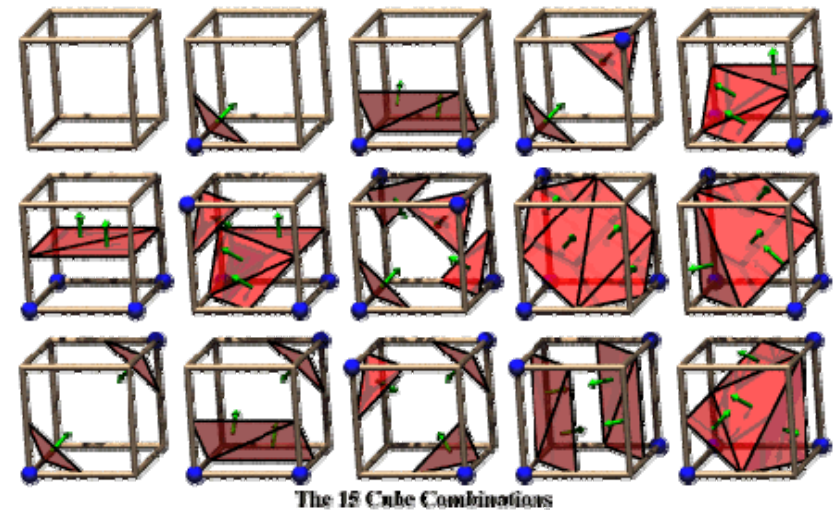
- use voxel space
- new surface as zero-crossing (find using marching cubes)
- least-squares estimate (zero derivative=minimum)

# Isosurfacing: marching cubes

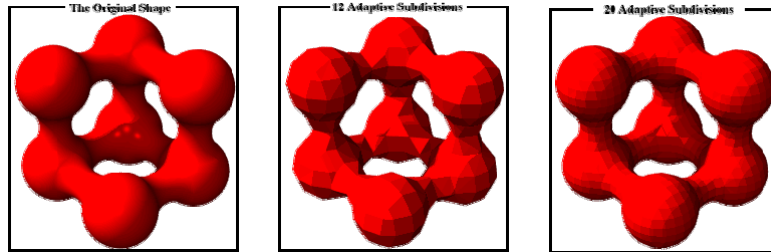
First 2D, marching squares



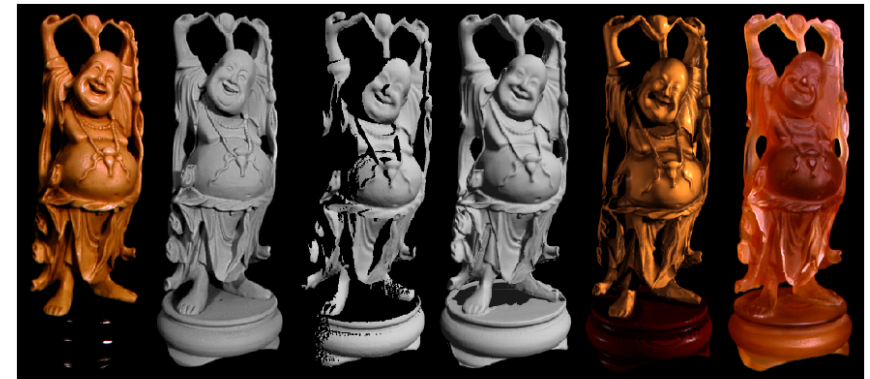
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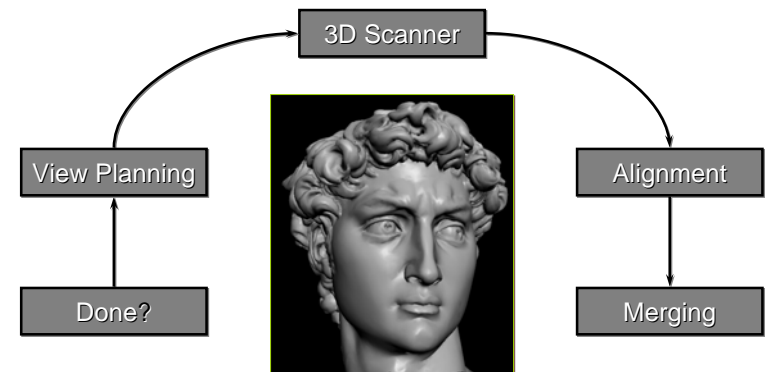
# Results



Photograph of original model    Photograph of painted original    Range surface from one scan    Reconstruction before hole-filling    Reconstruction after hole-filling    Hardcopy

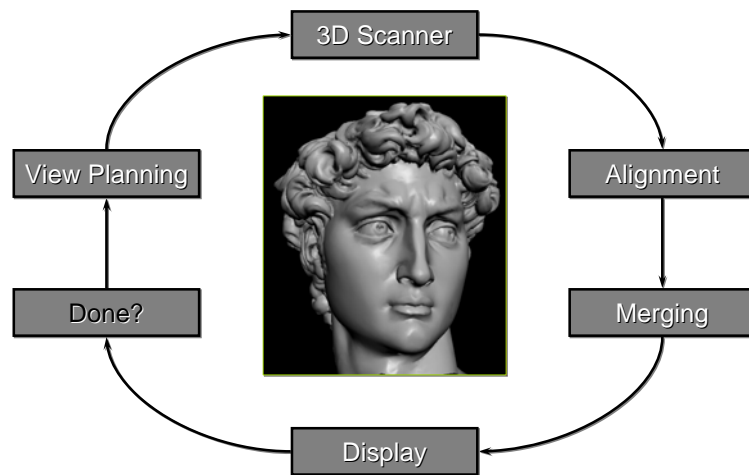
# Systems, projects and applications

# 3D model acquisition pipeline



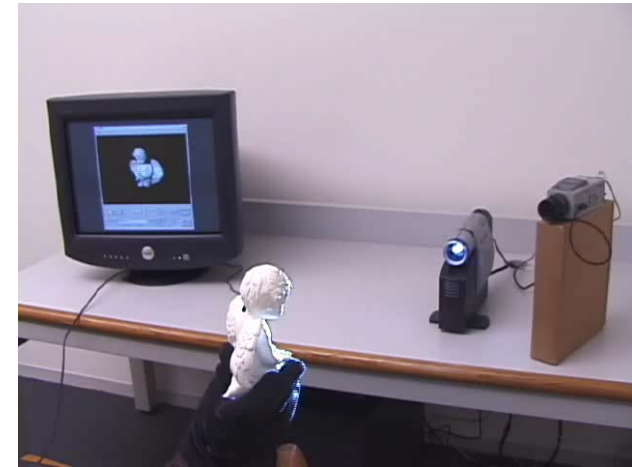
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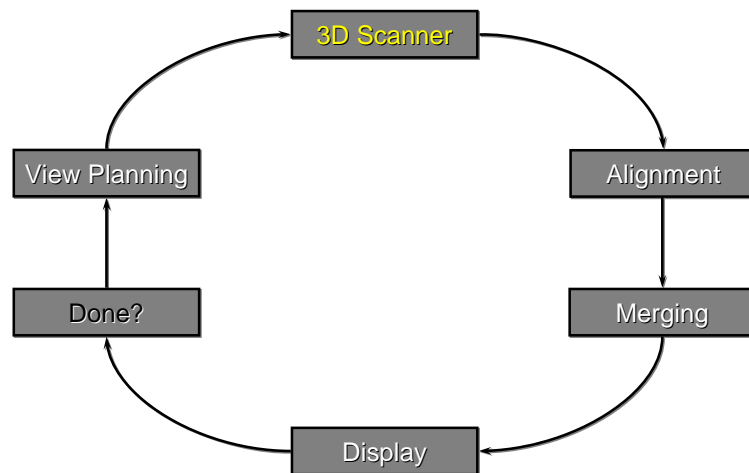
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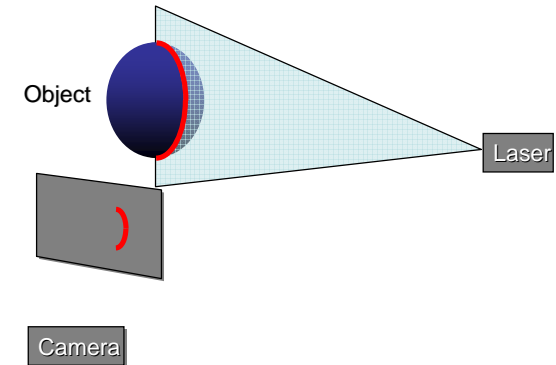
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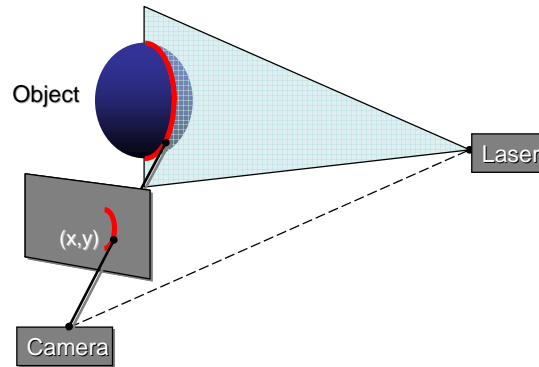
## Triangulation

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- Project laser stripe onto object

# Triangulation

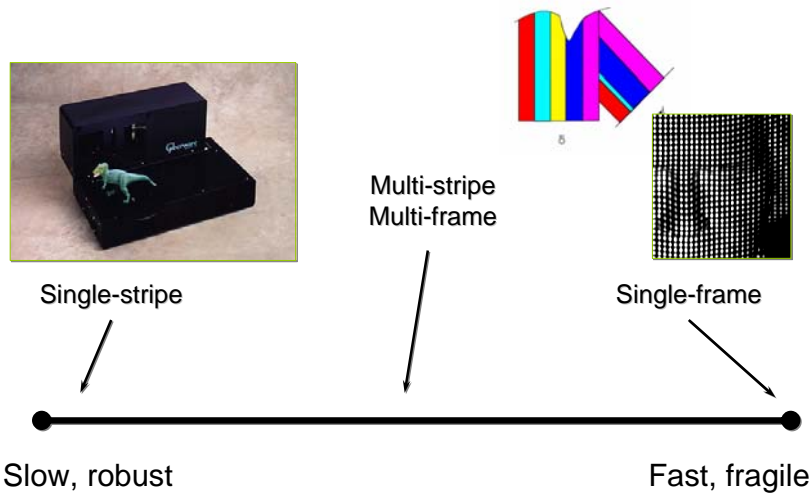


- Depth from ray-plane triangulation

# Triangulation

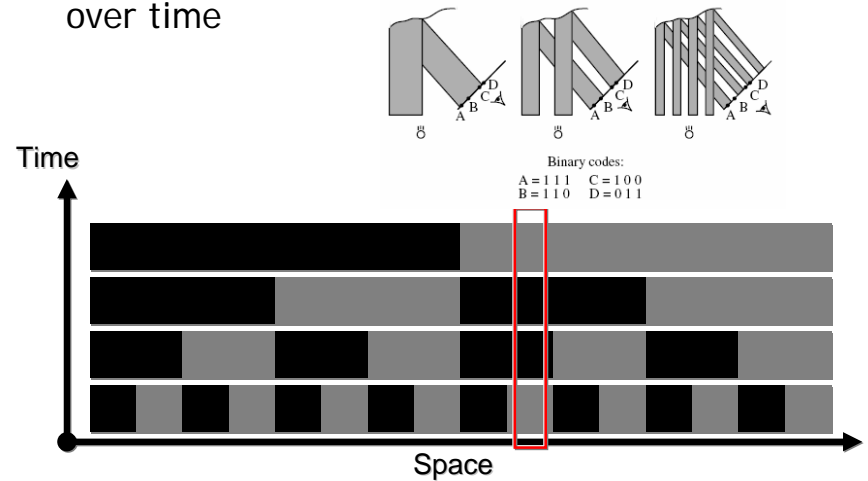
- Faster acquisition: project multiple stripes
- Correspondence problem: which stripe is which?

# Continuum of triangulation methods



# Time-coded light patterns

- Assign each stripe a unique illumination code over time

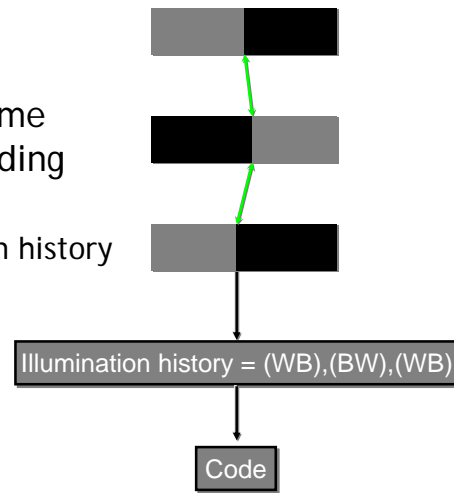




## Codes for moving scenes

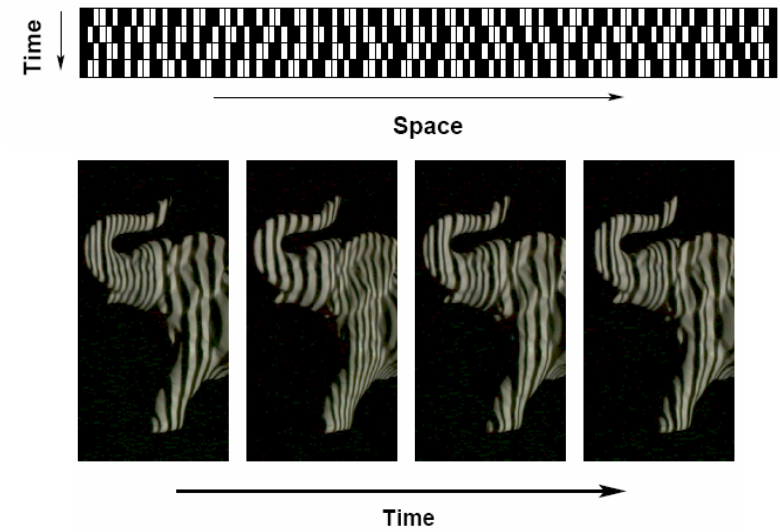
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- Assign time codes to stripe boundaries
- Perform frame-to-frame tracking of corresponding boundaries
  - Propagate illumination history



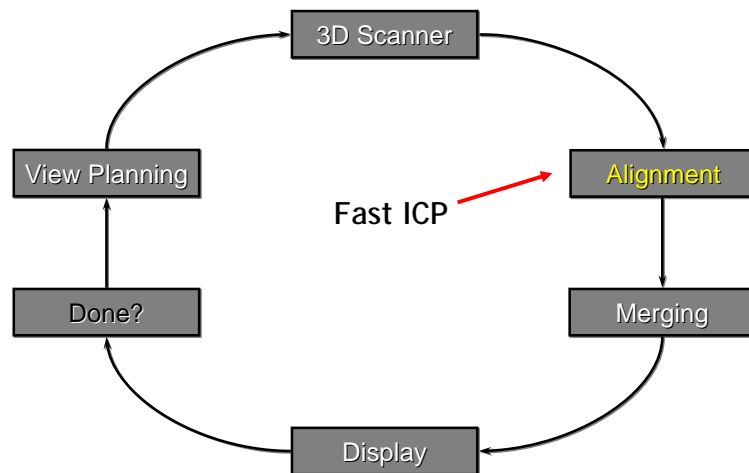
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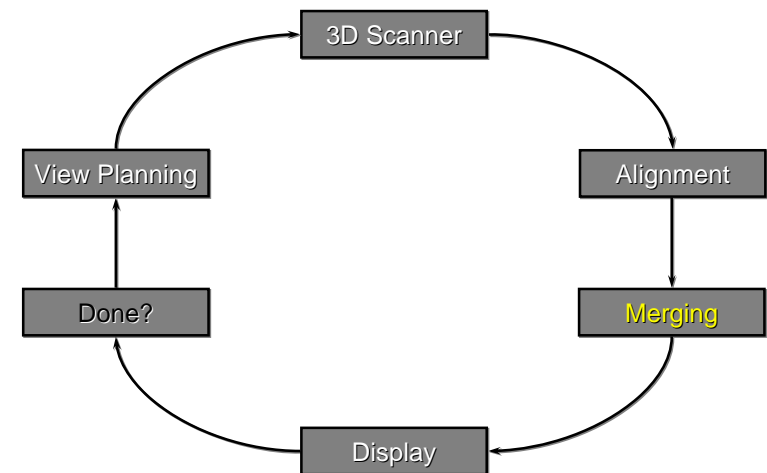
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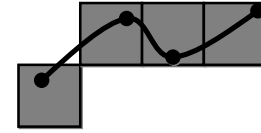




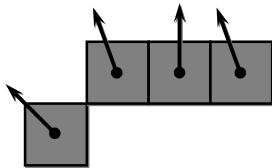
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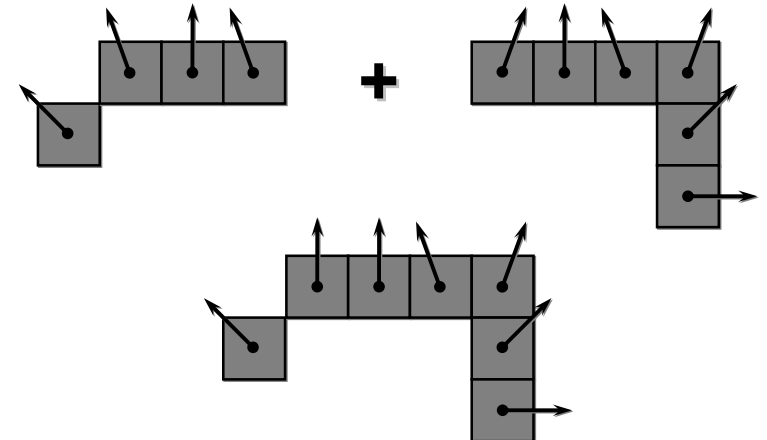
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- Point rendering, using accumulated normals for lighting

## Example: photograph

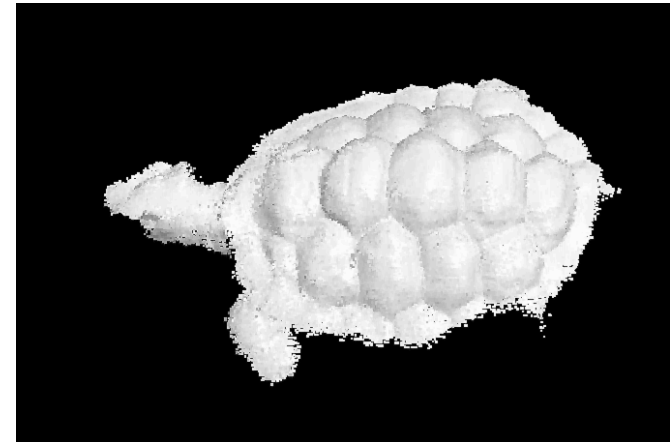
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18 cm.

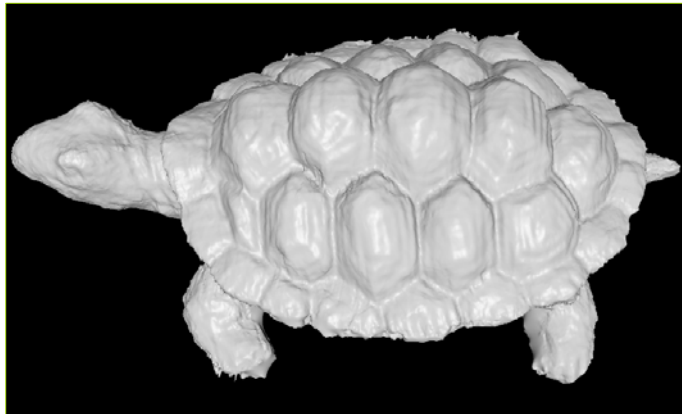
## Result

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## Postprocessed model

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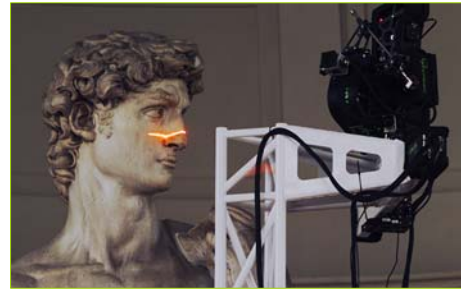
## The Digital Michelangelo Project

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- Goal: scan 10 sculptures by Michelangelo
- High-resolution ("quarter-millimeter") geometry
- Stanford University, led by Marc Levoy

## Scanning the David

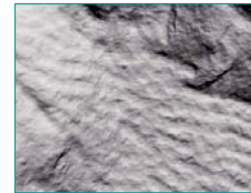
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height of gantry: 7.5 meters  
weight of gantry: 800 kilograms

## Range processing pipeline

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### • steps

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## Statistics about the scan

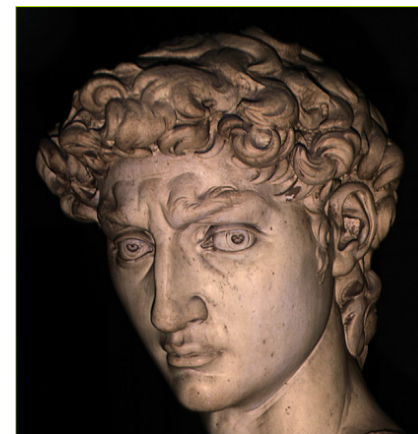
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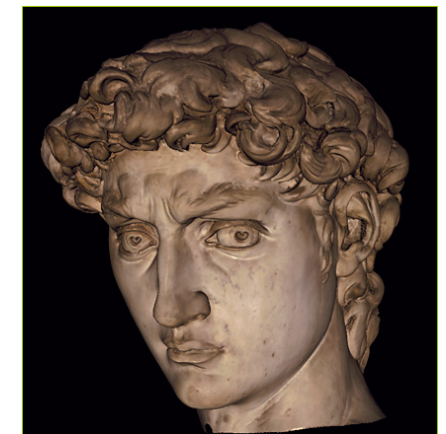
- 480 individually aimed scans
- 2 billion polygons
- 7,000 color images
- 32 gigabytes
- 30 nights of scanning
- 22 people

## Comparison

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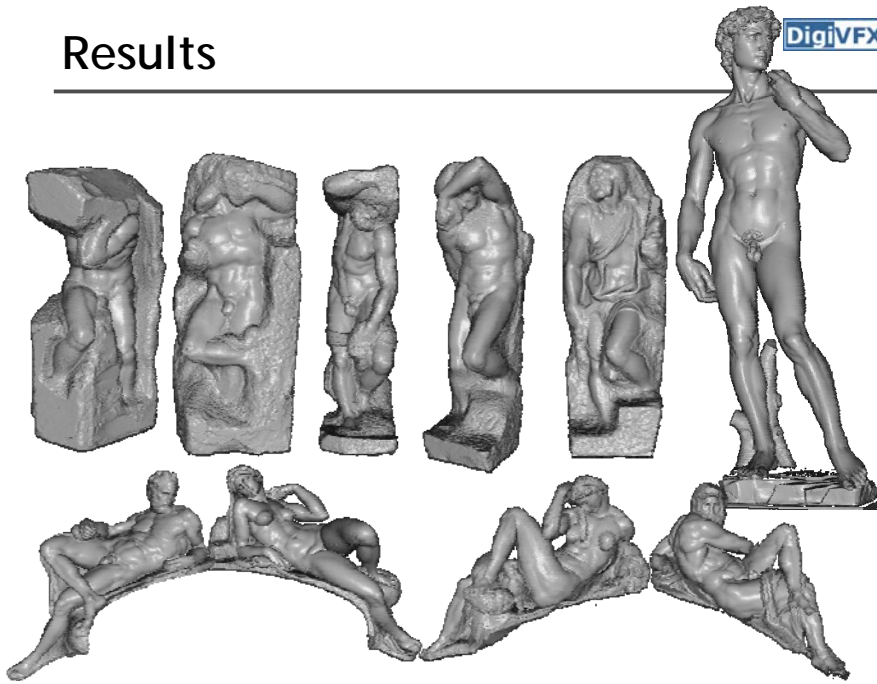
photograph



1.0 mm computer model

## Results

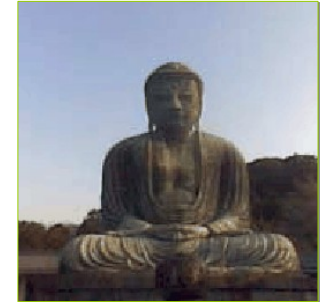
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## The Great Buddha Project

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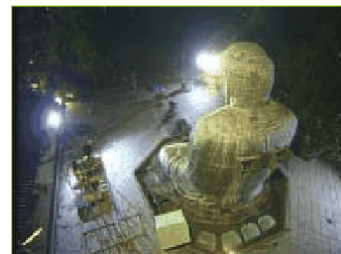
- Great Buddha of Kamakura
- Original made of wood, completed 1243
- Covered in bronze and gold leaf, 1267
- Approx. 15 m tall
- Goal: preservation of cultural heritage
- Institute of Industrial Science, University of Tokyo, led by Katsushi Ikeuchi



## Scanner

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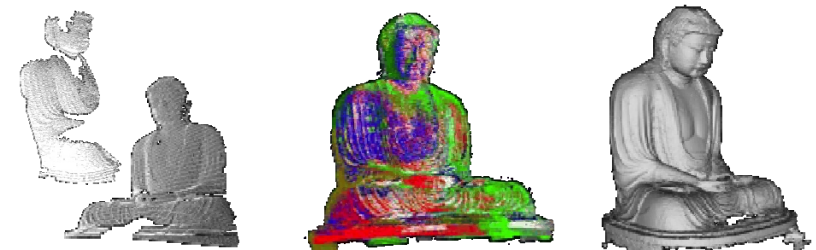
- Cyrax range scanner by Cyra Technologies
- Laser pulse time-of-flight
- Accuracy: 4 mm
- Range: 100 m



## Processing

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- 20 range images (a few million points)
- Simultaneous all-to-all ICP
- Variant of volumetric merging (parallelized)





## Results

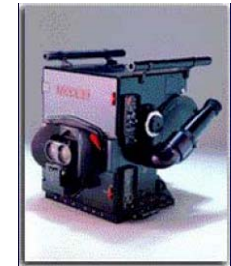
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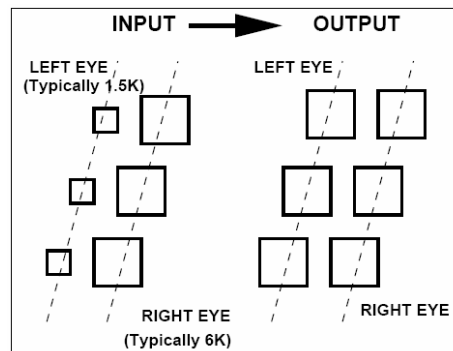
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- 6K resolution, 42 linear bits per pixel
- For CG, it typically takes 6 hours for a frame
- 45-minute IMAX 3D CG film requires a 100-CPU rendering farm full-time for about a year just for rendering
- For live-action, camera is bulky (like a refrigerator)



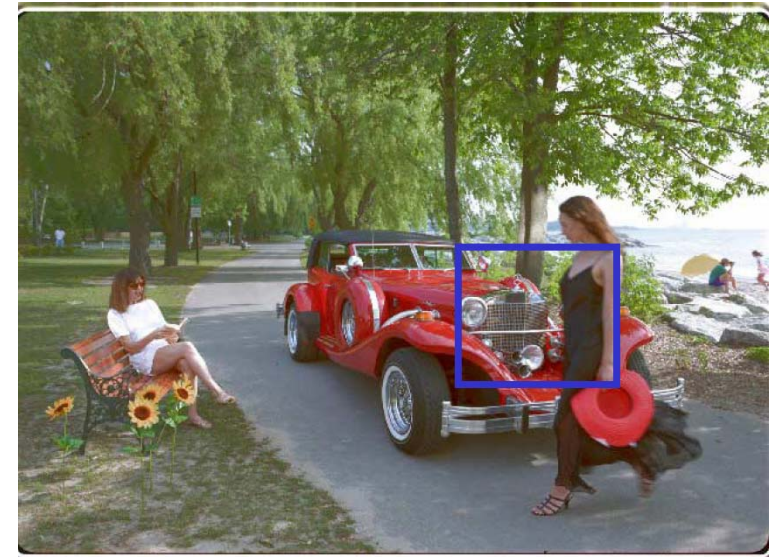
## Hybrid stereo camera

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## Live-action sequence

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## Hybrid input

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left



right

## Hybrid input

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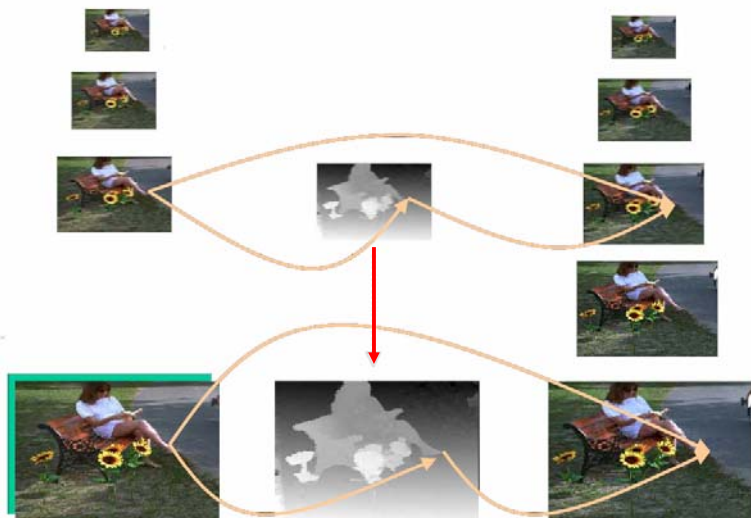
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## Combine multiple hires to lores

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## View interpolation

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Bullet time video

## View interpolation

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High-quality video view interpolation

## Final project

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- Assigned: today
- Due: 6/28 Tuesday
- Final presentation: 6/28 Tuesday, 1:30pm?
- Proposal presentation next week, send me slides by 1:00pm next Wednesday if you want to use my laptop for your presentation
- Send me the topic and team members by next Tuesday

## Final project

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- Research (1-2 people)
- System (1-3 people)
- Film (3-4 people)

## Research



- Define a problem and try to solve it
- You don't need to solve it all, but have to make a reasonable progress, for example, solve a simplified version.
- Find inspirations from SIGGRAPH/CVPR/ICCV papers

## System



- Implement existing algorithm into a useful system

## Film



- It must be an "effect" film.
- You can use any tools as you want. But, I guess that you have to write some on your own.
- Find inspirations from
  - Gatech's vfx course  
[http://www.cc.gatech.edu/classes/AY2004/cs4480\\_spring/](http://www.cc.gatech.edu/classes/AY2004/cs4480_spring/)
  - independent film makers  
<http://www.peerlessproductions.com/>
- Submit two videos, final and making-of.

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