

Image-based modeling

Digital Visual Effects

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Outline

- Models from multiple (sparse) images
 - Structure from motion
 - Facade
- Models from single images
 - Tour into pictures
 - Single view metrology
 - Other approaches

Facade

- Use a sparse set of images
- Calibrated camera (intrinsic only)
- Designed specifically for modeling architecture
- Use a set of blocks to approximate architecture

- Three components:
 - geometry reconstruction
 - texture mapping
 - model refinement

Models from multiple images (Façade, Debevec *et. al.* 1996)

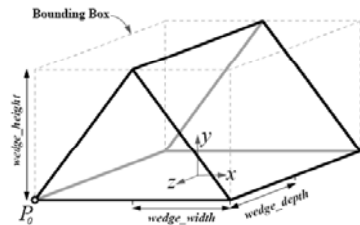
Idea



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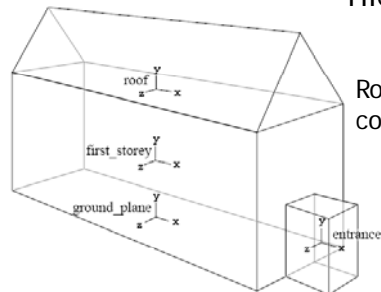


Geometric modeling

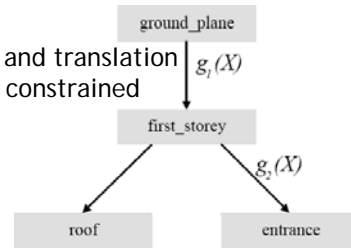


A block is a geometric primitive with a **small** set of parameters

Hierarchical modeling for a scene



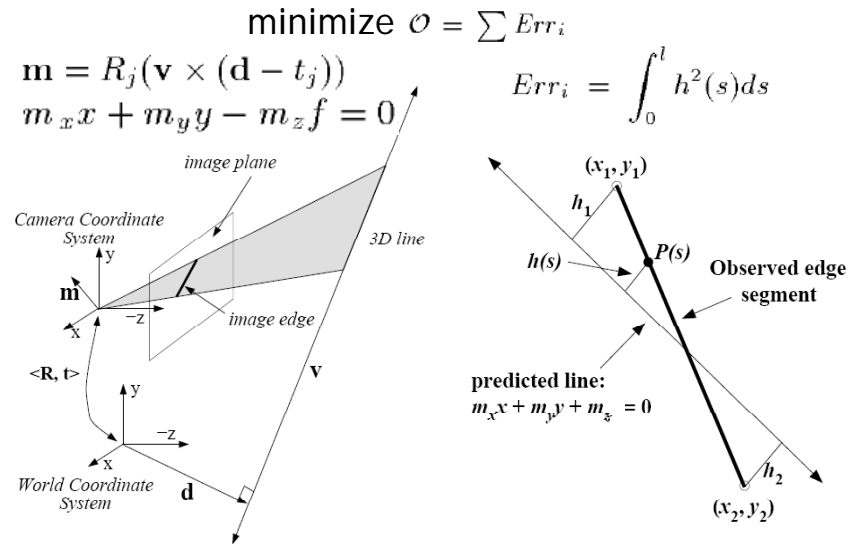
Rotation and translation could be constrained



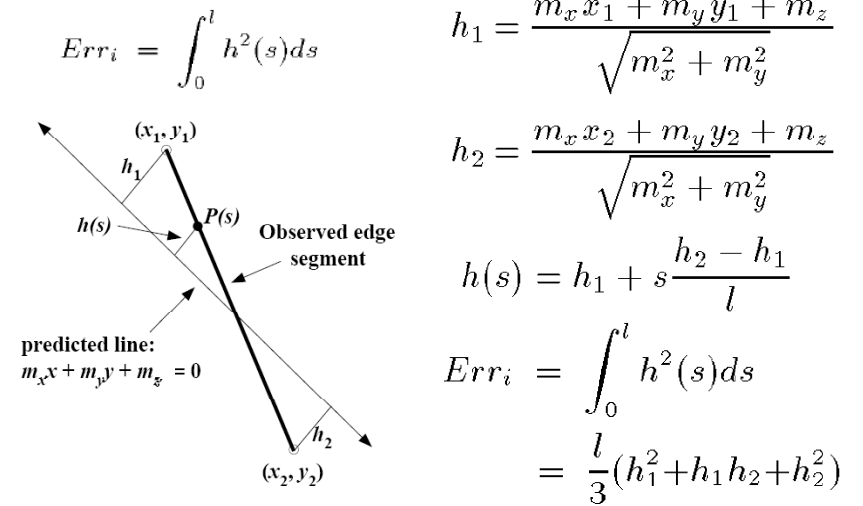
Reasons for block modeling

- Architectural scenes are well modeled by geometric primitives.
- Blocks provide a high level abstraction, easier to manage and add constraints.
- No need to infer surfaces from discrete features; blocks essentially provide prior models for architectures.
- Hierarchical block modeling effectively reduces the number of parameters for robustness and efficiency.

Reconstruction



Reconstruction



Reconstruction

$Err_i = \int_0^l h^2(s) ds = \frac{l}{3} (h_1^2 + h_1 h_2 + h_2^2) = \mathbf{m}^T (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{m}$

$h_1 = \frac{m_x x_1 + m_y y_1 + m_z}{\sqrt{m_x^2 + m_y^2}}$
 $h_2 = \frac{m_x x_2 + m_y y_2 + m_z}{\sqrt{m_x^2 + m_y^2}}$

$\mathbf{m} = (m_x, m_y, m_z)^T$ $\mathbf{m} = R_j(\mathbf{v} \times (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{t}_j))$

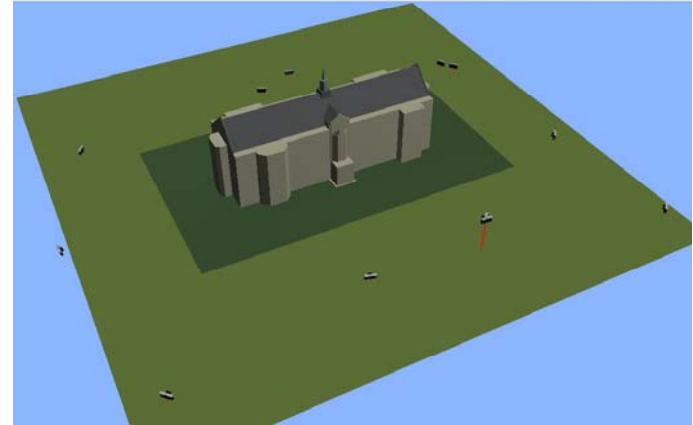
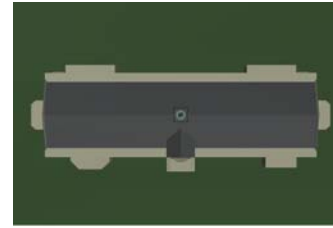
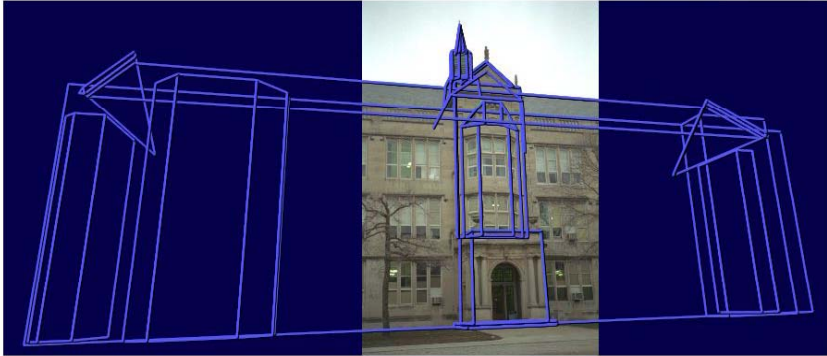
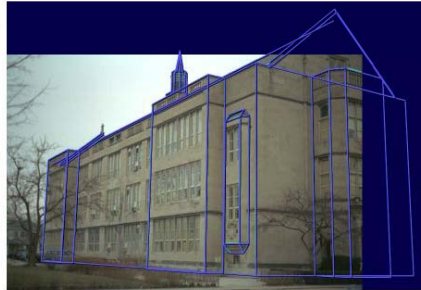
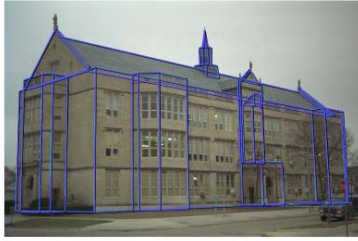
$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ nonlinear w.r.t. camera and model

$\mathbf{B} = \frac{l}{3(m_x^2 + m_y^2)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Results

3 of 12 photographs





Texture mapping

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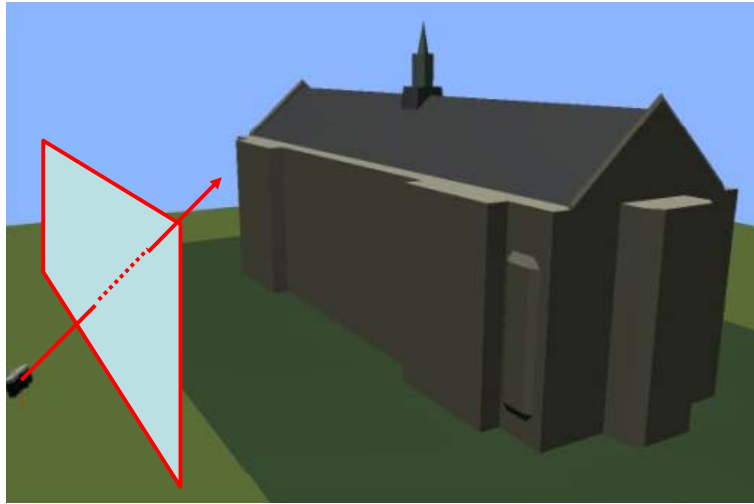
Texture mapping in real world

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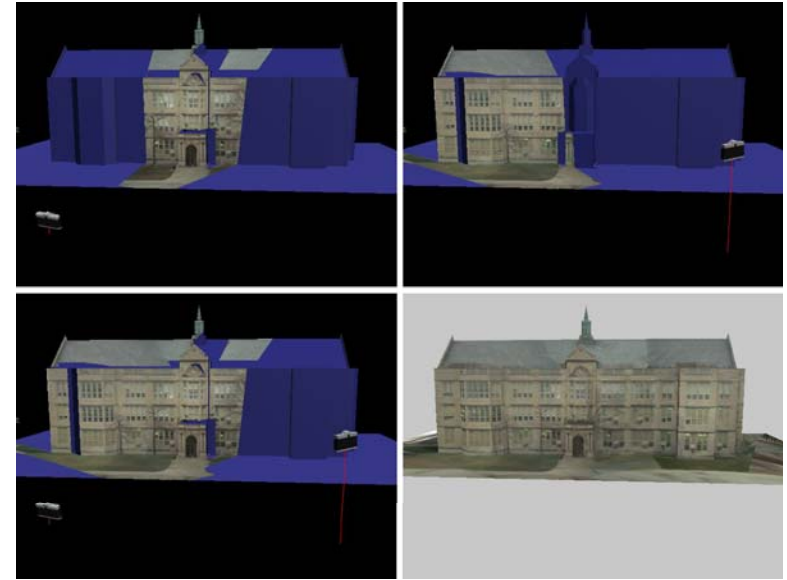


[Demo movie](#)
Michael Naimark,
San Francisco Museum
of Modern Art, 1984

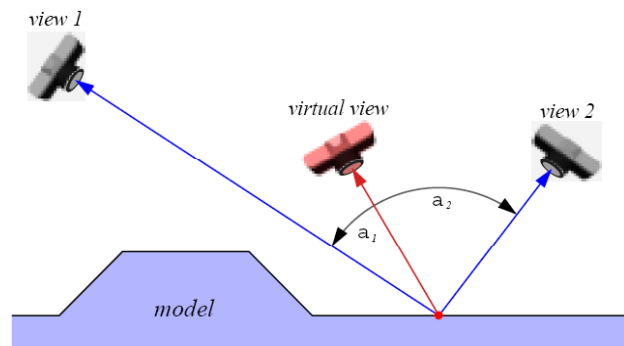
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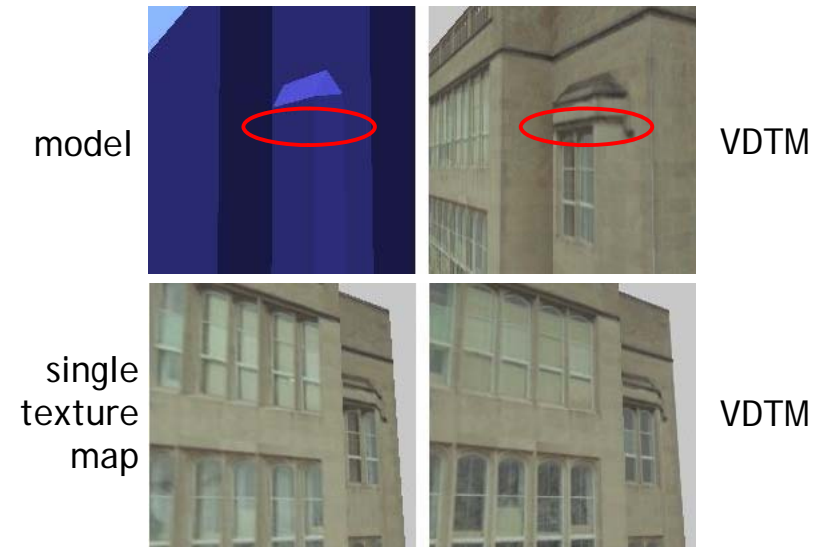
Texture mapping



View-dependent texture mapping



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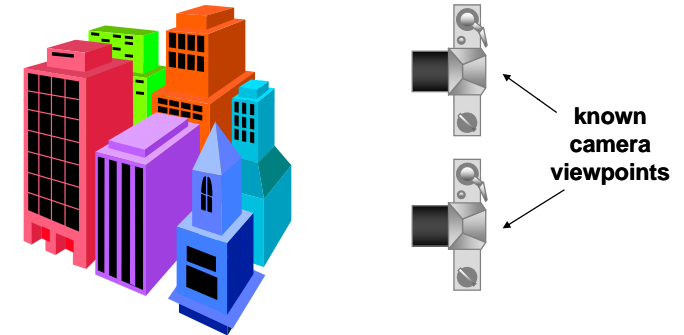
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Model-based stereo

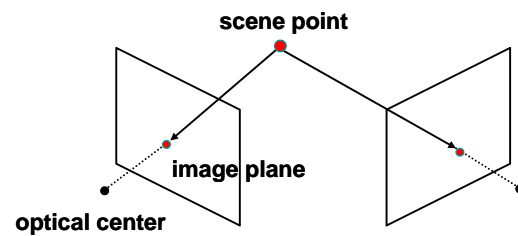
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- Use stereo to refine the geometry



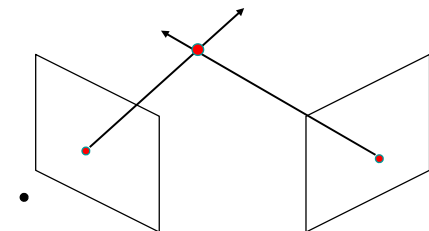
Stereo

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Stereo

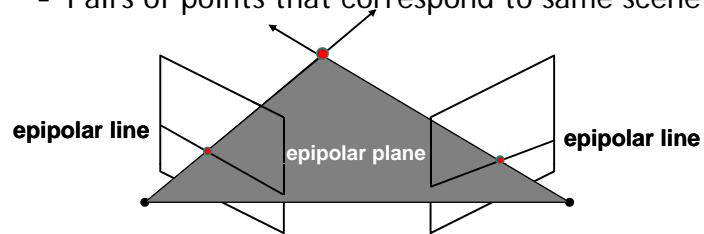
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- Basic Principle: Triangulation
 - Gives reconstruction as intersection of two rays
 - Requires
 - calibration
 - *point correspondence*

Stereo correspondence

- Determine Pixel Correspondence
 - Pairs of points that correspond to same scene point



- Epipolar Constraint
 - Reduces correspondence problem to 1D search along *conjugate epipolar lines*

Finding correspondences

- apply feature matching criterion (e.g., correlation or Lucas-Kanade) at *all* pixels simultaneously
- search only over epipolar lines (much fewer candidate positions)



Image registration (revisited)

- How do we determine correspondences?
 - *block matching* or *SSD* (sum squared differences)

$$E(x, y; d) = \sum_{(x', y') \in N(x, y)} [I_L(x' + d, y') - I_R(x', y')]^2$$

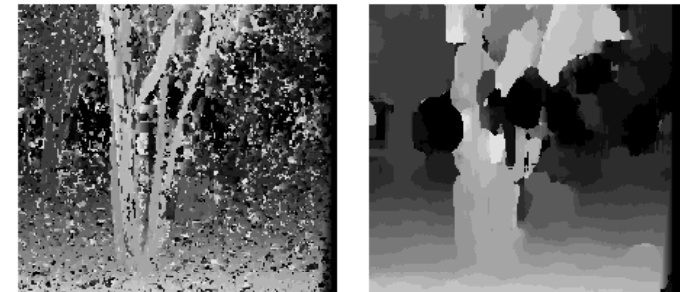
d is the *disparity* (horizontal motion)



- How big should the neighborhood be?

Neighborhood size

- Smaller neighborhood: more details
- Larger neighborhood: fewer isolated mistakes



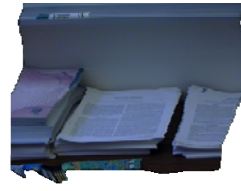
Depth from disparity



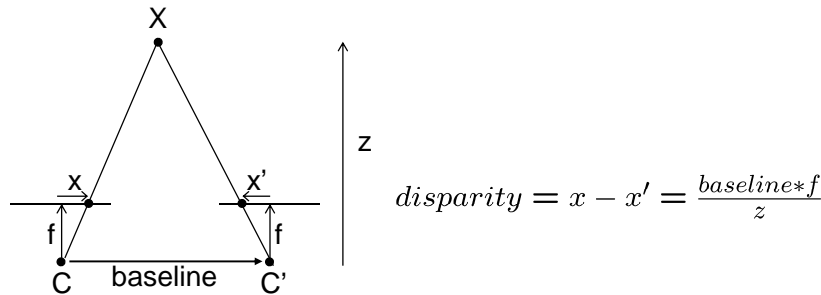
input image (1 of 2)



depth map
[Szeliski & Kang '95]



3D rendering



Stereo reconstruction pipeline

- Steps
 - Calibrate cameras
 - Rectify images
 - Compute disparity
 - Estimate depth
- What will cause errors?
 - Camera calibration errors
 - Poor image resolution
 - Occlusions
 - Violations of brightness constancy (specular reflections)
 - Large motions
 - Low-contrast image regions

Model-based stereo



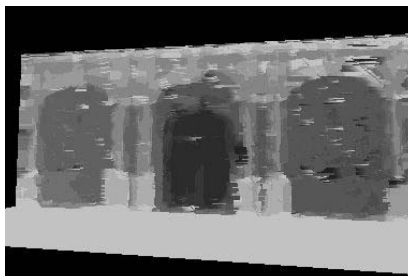
key image



warped offset image



offset image



Results



Comparisons

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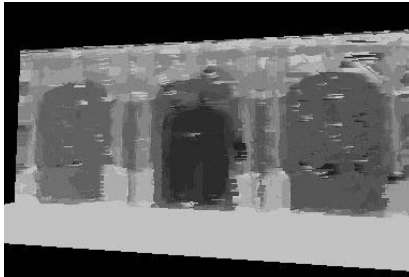
single texture, flat



VDTM, flat



VDTM, model-based stereo



Final results

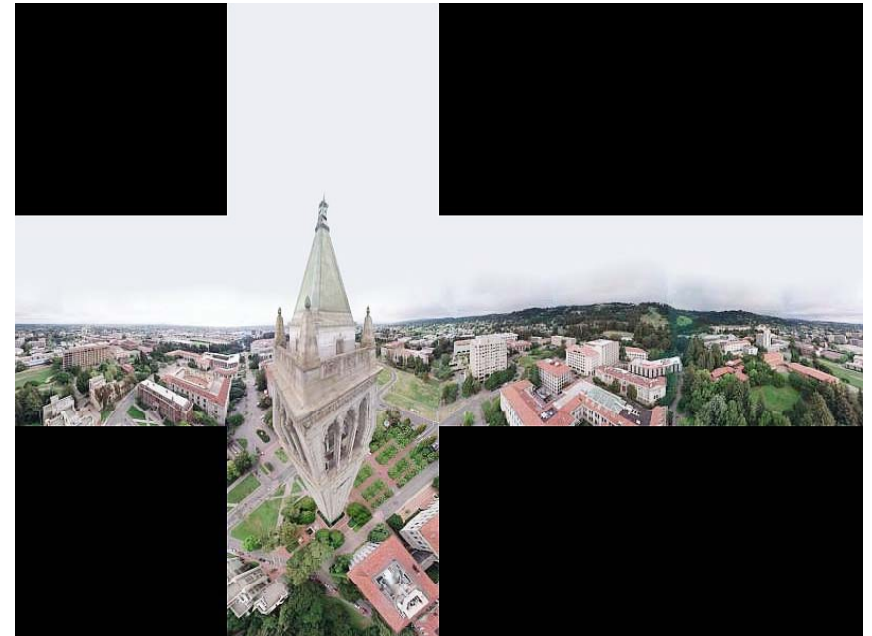
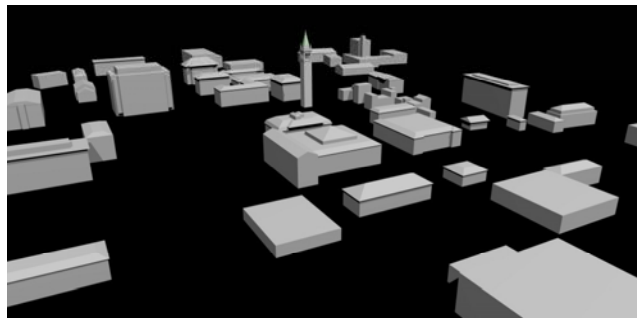
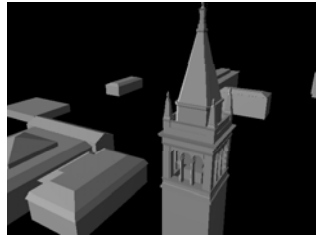
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Final results

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Commercial packages

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- [Autodesk ~~REALVIZ~~ ImageModeler](#)



The Matrix

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Cinefex #79, October 1999.

Since the bullet-time rig would be visible in shots featuring a 360-degree sweep of the characters, it was employed only for the shooting of the foreground subject – namely, the actors or their stunt doubles – necessitating a different approach for the backgrounds. Shot separately, the backgrounds used a virtual cinematography process that allowed a 360-degree environment to be constructed in the computer from stills taken on set. This approach for generating the backgrounds was based on the Berkeley Tower flyover, a novel image-based rendering technique presented at Siggraph '97 by George Borshukov and Paul Debevec, a researcher at UC Berkeley. The technique employed twenty stills of that town's college campus to create a virtual environment through which the camera could travel. "Instead of reinventing the background in traditional CG fashion – painting textures, shooting orthographic views of the set, and then proceeding to texture replication – we generated a completely free, high-resolution camera move that would have been impossible to achieve using traditional CG," Borshukov said, "and we did it working from just a handful of stills."

The Matrix

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- *Academy Awards for Scientific and Technical achievement for 2000*

To George Borshukov, Kim Libreri and Dan Piponi for the development of a system for image-based rendering allowing choreographed camera movements through computer graphic reconstructed sets.

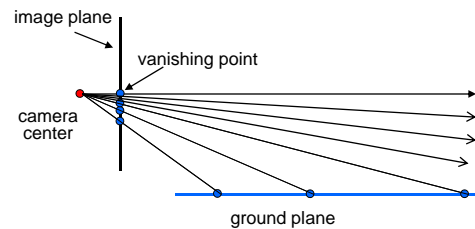
This was used in The Matrix and Mission Impossible II; See The Matrix Disc #2 for more details



Models from single images

Vanishing points

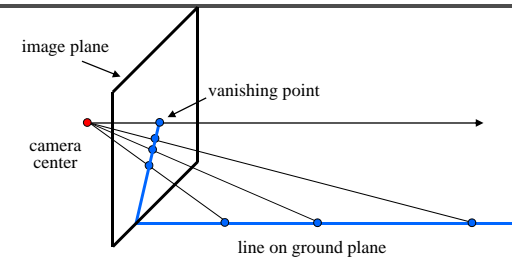
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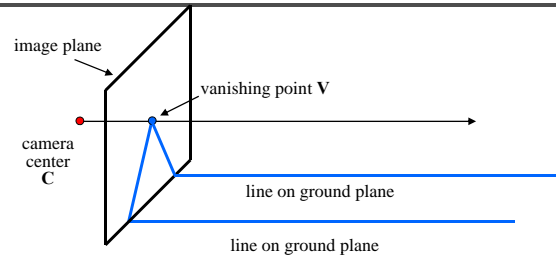
- Vanishing point
 - projection of a point at infinity

Vanishing points (2D)

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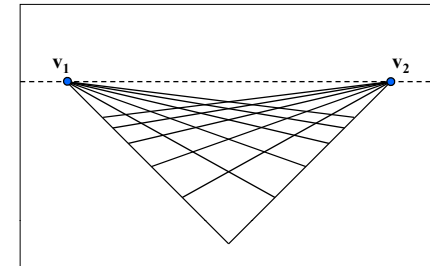
Vanishing points



• Properties

- Any two parallel lines have the same vanishing point \mathbf{v}
- The ray from \mathbf{C} through \mathbf{v} is parallel to the lines
- An image may have more than one vanishing point

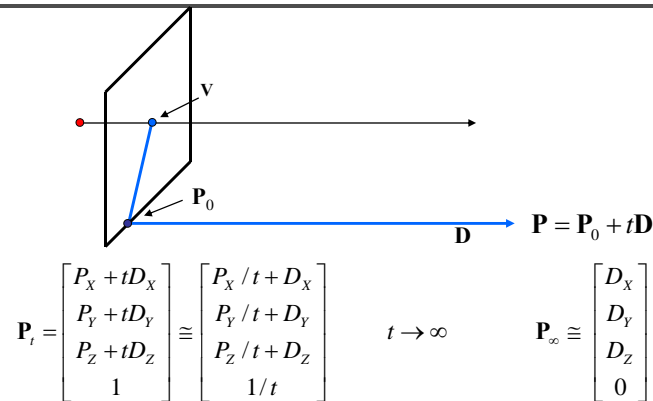
Vanishing lines



• Multiple Vanishing Points

- Any set of parallel lines on the plane define a vanishing point
- The union of all of these vanishing points is the *horizon line*
 - also called *vanishing line*
- Note that different planes define different vanishing lines

Computing vanishing points



• Properties $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{I}\mathbf{P}_\infty$

- \mathbf{P}_∞ is a point at *infinity*, \mathbf{v} is its projection
- They depend only on line *direction*
- Parallel lines $\mathbf{P}_0 + t\mathbf{D}$, $\mathbf{P}_1 + t\mathbf{D}$ intersect at \mathbf{P}_∞

Tour into pictures

- Create a 3D “theatre stage” of five billboards



- Specify foreground objects through bounding polygons

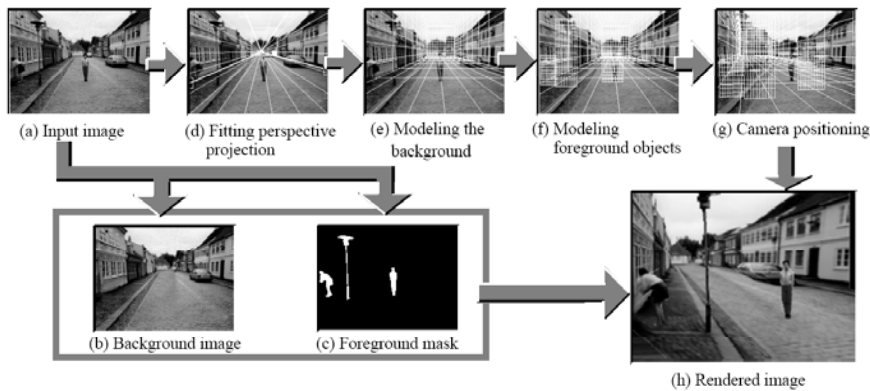


- Use camera transformations to navigate through the scene



Tour into pictures

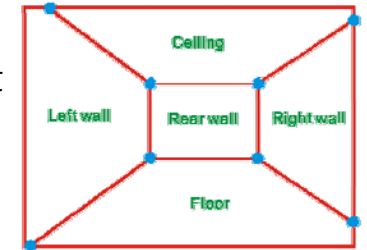
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The idea

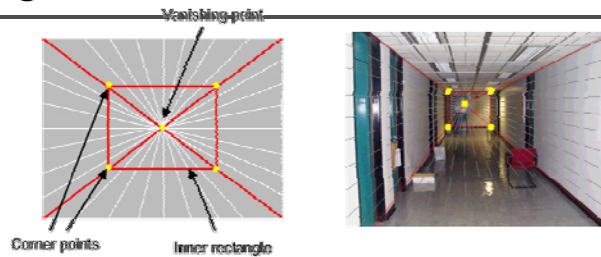
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- Many scenes (especially paintings), can be represented as an axis-aligned box volume (i.e. a stage)
- Key assumptions:
 - All walls of volume are orthogonal
 - Camera view plane is parallel to back of volume
 - Camera up is normal to volume bottom
 - Volume bottom is $y=0$
- Can use the vanishing point to fit the box to the particular Scene!



Fitting the box volume

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- User controls the inner box and the vanishing point placement (6 DOF)

Foreground Objects

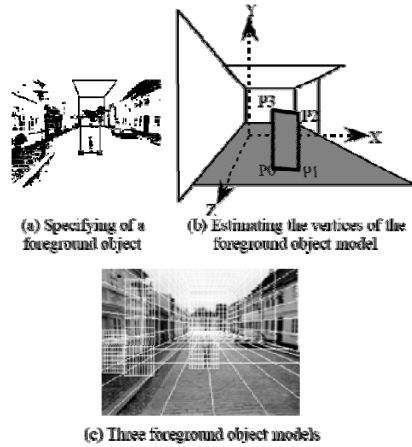
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- Use separate billboard for each
- For this to work, three separate images used:
 - Original image.
 - Mask to isolate desired foreground images.
 - Background with objects removed

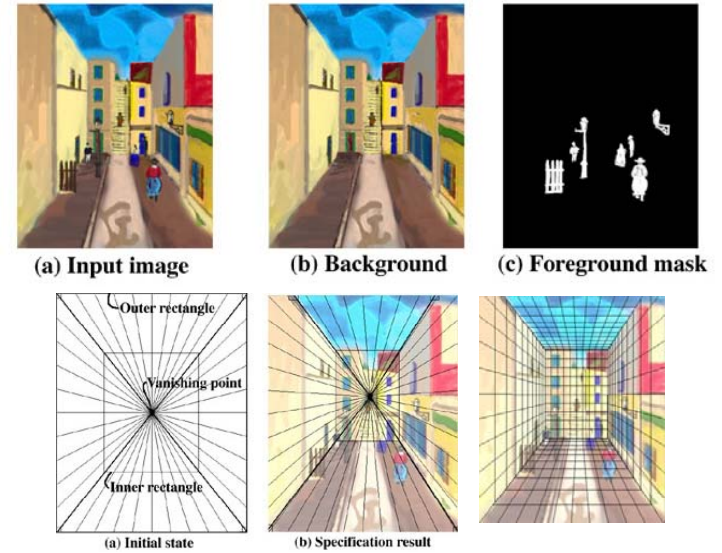


Foreground Objects

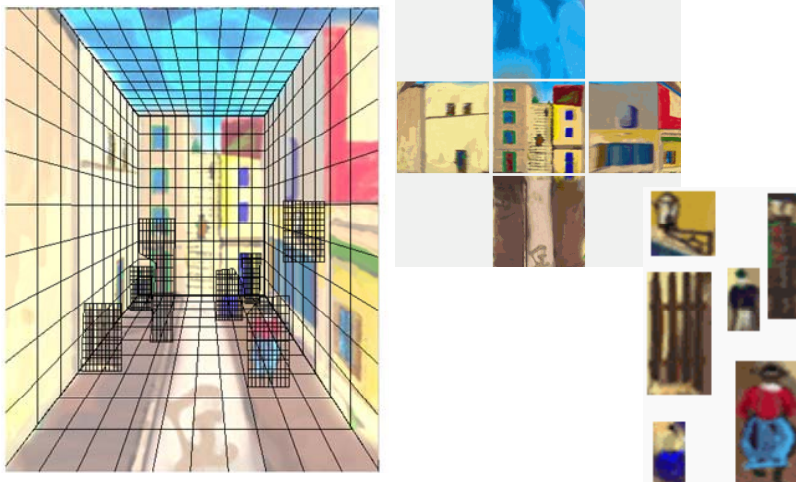
- Add vertical rectangles for each foreground object
- Can compute 3D coordinates P_0 , P_1 since they are on known plane.
- P_2 , P_3 can be computed as before (similar triangles)



Example



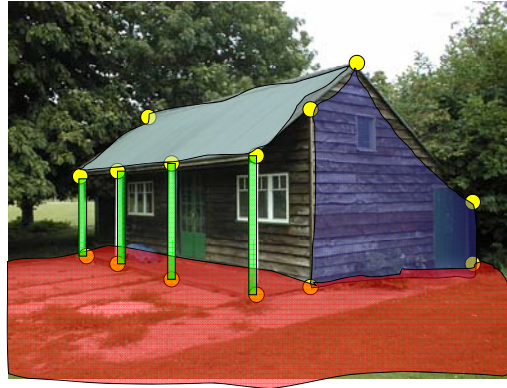
Example



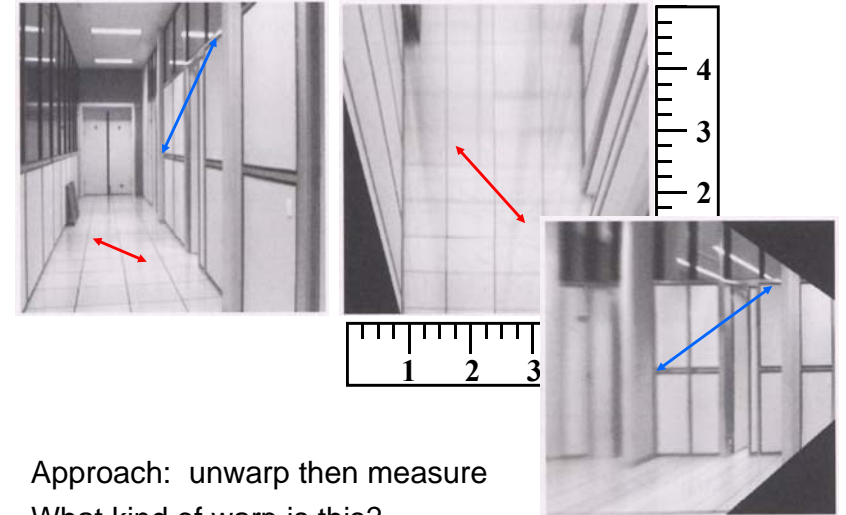
glTip

- <http://www.cs.ust.hk/~cpegnel/glTIP/>

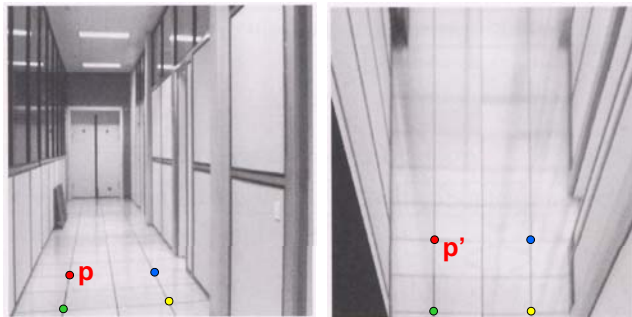




1. Find world coordinates (X,Y,Z) for a few points
2. Connect the points with planes to model geometry
 - Texture map the planes



Approach: unwarped then measure
What kind of warp is this?



To unwarped (rectify) an image

- solve for homography **H** given **p** and **p'**
- solve equations of the form: **wp' = Hp**
 - linear in unknowns: w and coefficients of **H**
 - **H** is defined up to an arbitrary scale factor
 - how many points are necessary to solve for **H**?

$$\begin{bmatrix} x'_i \\ y'_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cong \begin{bmatrix} h_{00} & h_{01} & h_{02} \\ h_{10} & h_{11} & h_{12} \\ h_{20} & h_{21} & h_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x'_i = \frac{h_{00}x_i + h_{01}y_i + h_{02}}{h_{20}x_i + h_{21}y_i + h_{22}}$$

$$y'_i = \frac{h_{10}x_i + h_{11}y_i + h_{12}}{h_{20}x_i + h_{21}y_i + h_{22}}$$

$$x'_i(h_{20}x_i + h_{21}y_i + h_{22}) = h_{00}x_i + h_{01}y_i + h_{02}$$

$$y'_i(h_{20}x_i + h_{21}y_i + h_{22}) = h_{10}x_i + h_{11}y_i + h_{12}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_i & y_i & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -x'_i x_i & -x'_i y_i & -x'_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_i & y_i & 1 & -y'_i x_i & -y'_i y_i & -y'_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{00} \\ h_{01} \\ h_{02} \\ h_{10} \\ h_{11} \\ h_{12} \\ h_{20} \\ h_{21} \\ h_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

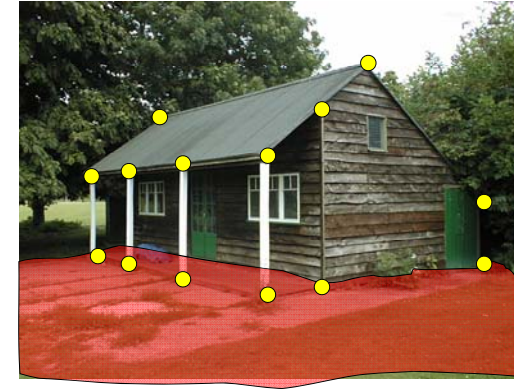
Solving for homographies

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -x'_1 x_1 & -x'_1 y_1 & -x'_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_1 & y_1 & 1 & -y'_1 x_1 & -y'_1 y_1 & -y'_1 \\ & & & & & & & & \vdots \\ x_n & y_n & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -x'_n x_n & -x'_n y_n & -x'_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_n & y_n & 1 & -y'_n x_n & -y'_n y_n & -y'_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{00} \\ h_{01} \\ h_{02} \\ h_{10} \\ h_{11} \\ h_{12} \\ h_{20} \\ h_{21} \\ h_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

\mathbf{A} \mathbf{h} $\mathbf{0}$
 $2n \times 9$ 9 $2n$

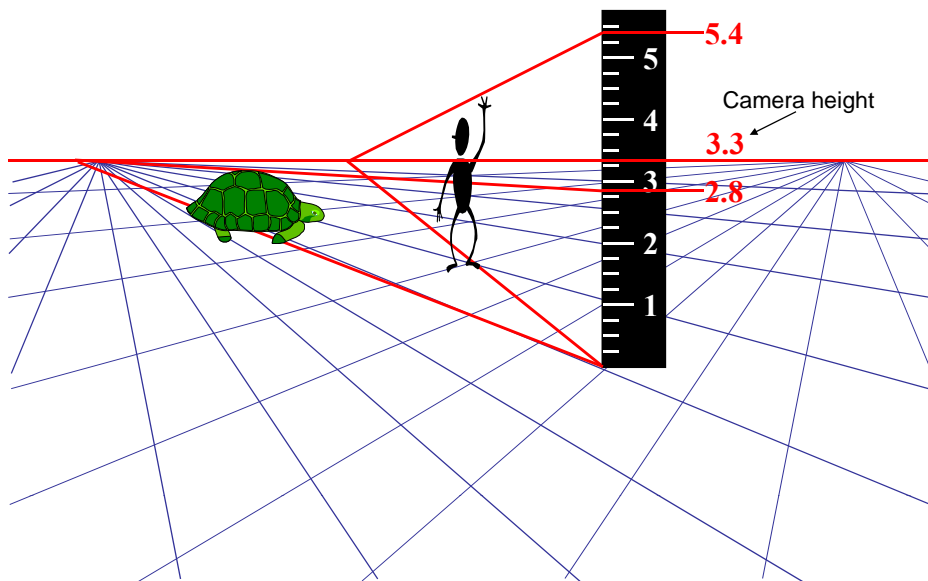
- Defines a least squares problem:
 - minimize $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{0}\|^2$
 - Since \mathbf{h} is only defined up to scale, solve for unit vector $\hat{\mathbf{h}}$
 - Works with 4 or more points

Finding world coordinates (X,Y,Z)

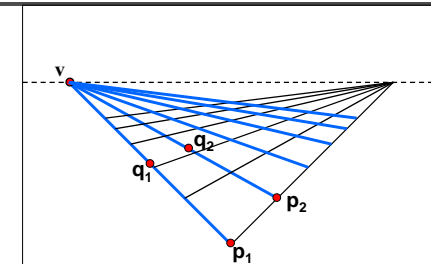


1. Define the ground plane ($Z=0$)
2. Compute points $(X,Y,0)$ on that plane
3. Compute the *heights* Z of all other points

Measuring height



Computing vanishing points



- Intersect p_1q_1 with p_2q_2
- Least squares version
 - Better to use more than two lines and compute the "closest" point of intersection
 - See notes by [Bob Collins](http://www-2.cs.cmu.edu/~ph/869/www/notes/vanishing.txt) for one good way of doing this:
 - <http://www-2.cs.cmu.edu/~ph/869/www/notes/vanishing.txt>

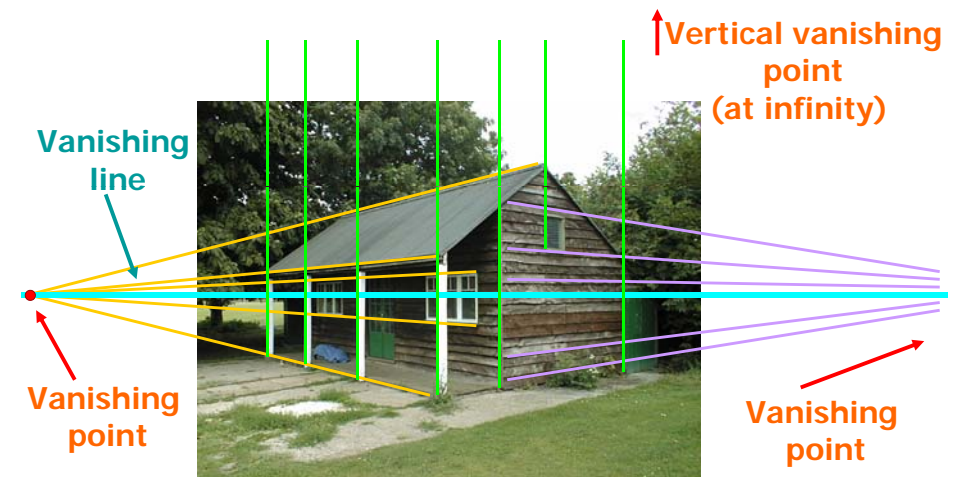
Criminisi et al., ICCV 99

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- Load in an image
- Click on lines parallel to X axis
 - repeat for Y, Z axes
- Compute vanishing points

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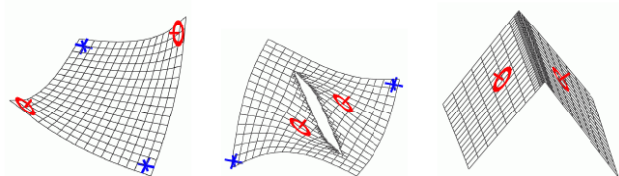
- Load in an image
- Click on lines parallel to X axis
 - repeat for Y, Z axes
- Compute vanishing points
- Specify 3D and 2D positions of 4 points on reference plane
- Compute homography H
- Specify a reference height
- Compute 3D positions of several points
- Create a 3D model from these points
- Extract texture maps
- Output a VRML model

Results

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Zhang *et. al.* CVPR 2001

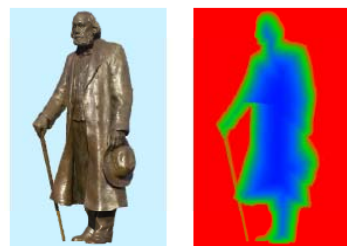
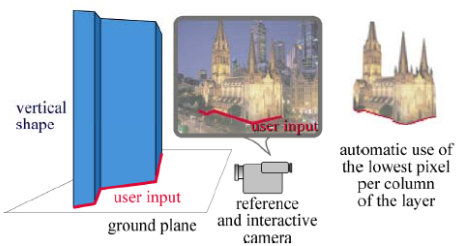
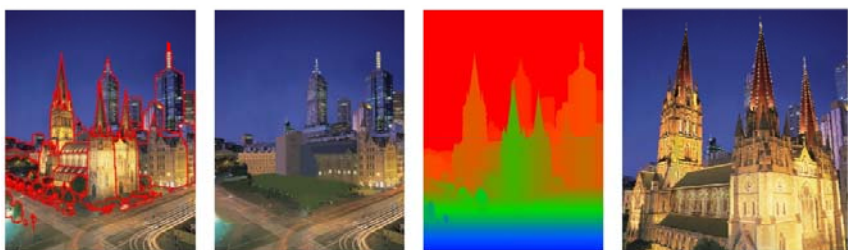


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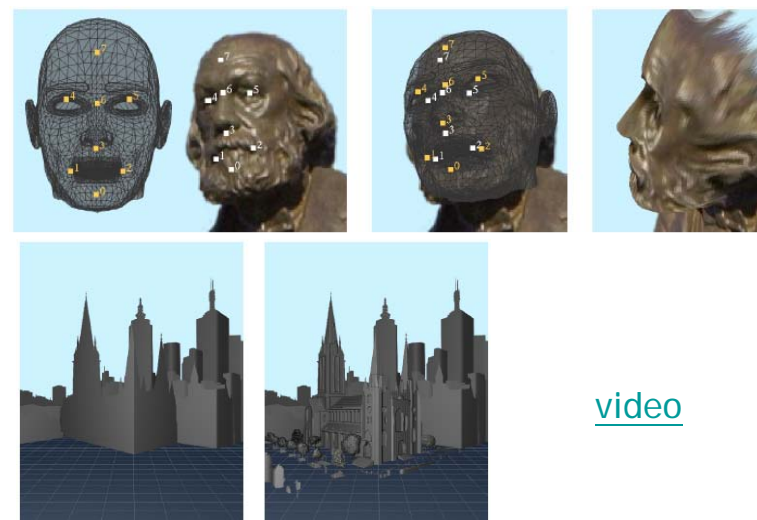
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original image	constraints	3D wireframe	novel view

Oh *et. al.* SIGGRAPH 2001

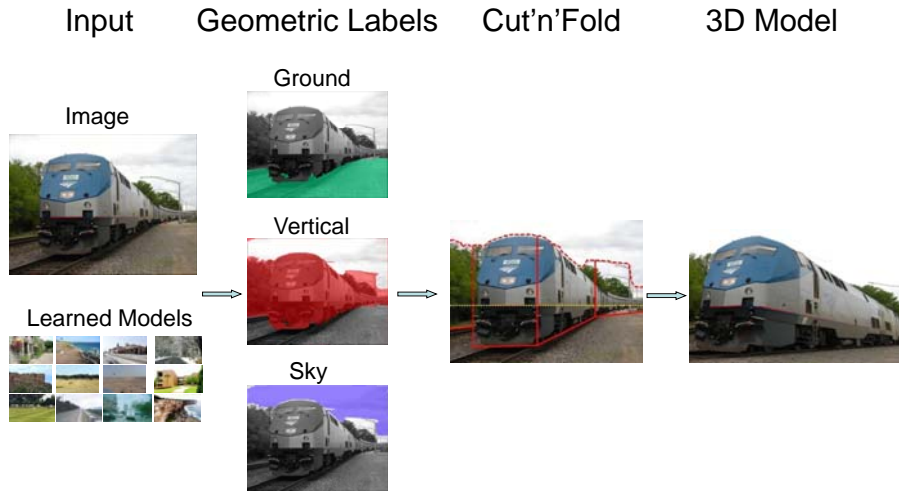


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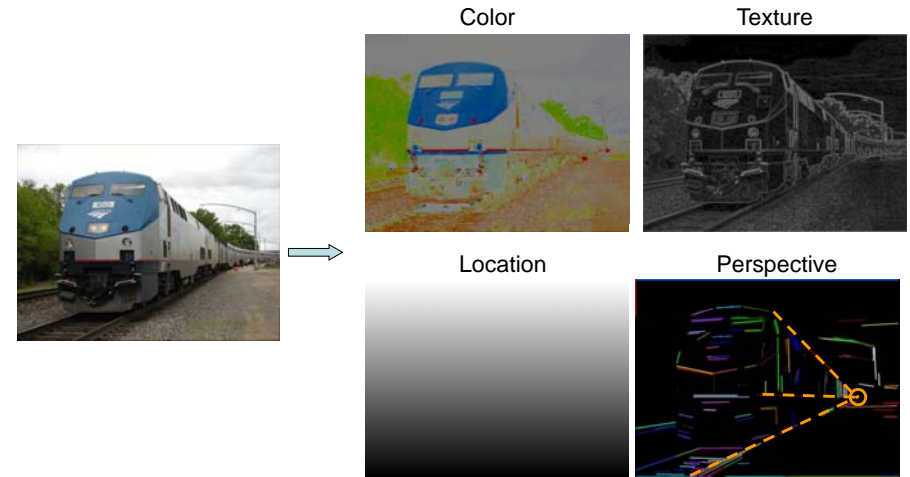


[video](#)

Automatic popup



Geometric cues

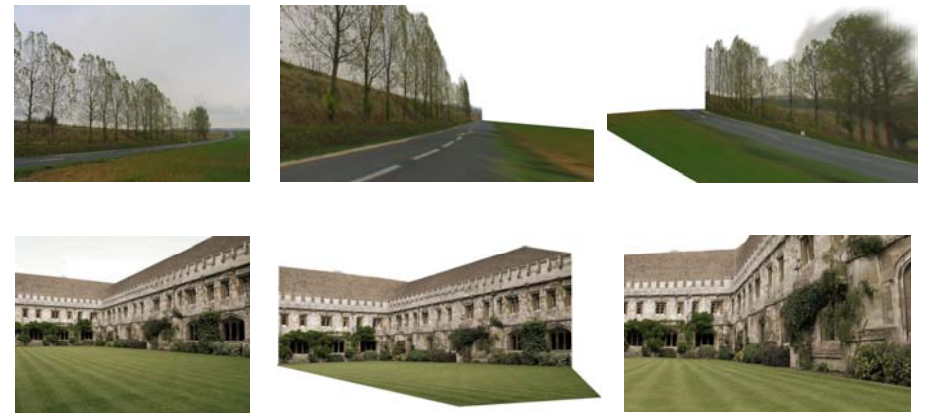


Automatic popup



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C1. RGB values: mean	3	3
C2. HSV values: conversion from mean RGB values	3	3
C3. Hue: histogram (5 bins) and entropy	6	6
C4. Saturation: histogram (3 bins) and entropy	3	3
Texture	29	13
T1. DOOG Filters: mean abs response	12	3
T2. DOOG Filters: mean of variables in T1	1	0
T3. DOOG Filters: id of max of variables in T1	1	1
T4. DOOG Filters: (max - median) of variables in T1	1	1
T5. Textons: mean abs response	12	7
T6. Textons: max of variables in T5	1	0
T7. Textons: (max - median) of variables in T5	1	1
Location and Shape	12	10
L1. Location: normalized x and y, mean	2	2
L2. Location: norm. x and y, 10 th and 90 th percentile	4	4
L3. Location: norm. y wrt horizon, 10 th and 90 th pctl	2	2
L4. Shape: number of superpixels in constellation	1	1
L5. Shape: number of sides of convex hull	1	0
L6. Shape: $\frac{\text{num pixels}}{\text{area}(\text{convex hull})}$	1	1
L7. Shape: whether the constellation region is contiguous	1	0
3D Geometry	35	28
G1. Long Lines: total number in constellation region	1	1
G2. Long Lines: % of nearly parallel pairs of lines	1	1
G3. Line Intersection: hist. over 12 orientations, entropy	13	11
G4. Line Intersection: % right of center	1	1
G5. Line Intersection: % above center	1	1
G6. Line Intersection: % far from center at 8 orientations	8	4
G7. Line Intersection: % very far from center at 8 orientations	8	5
G8. Texture gradient: x and y "edginess" (T2) center	2	2

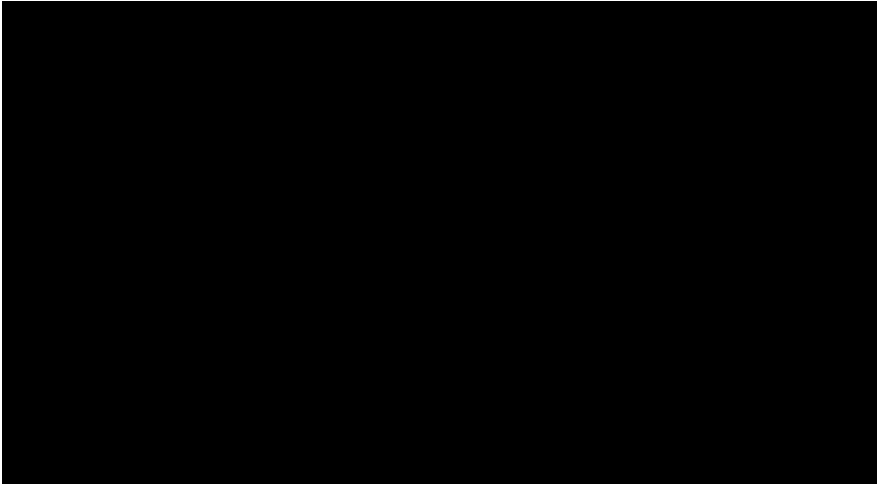
Results



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This approach works roughly for 35% of images.

Failures

Labeling Errors



Failures

Foreground Objects



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