

動画像を用いた高度道路交通システム

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Virtual View Generating Using Image-based Rendering (IBR)



Objective

🌸 Generating image stream of a virtual view point using images from multiple static cameras

🌸 Applications

- ITS (safe driving assistance)
- Security surveillance
- Entertainment



Related work (1/3)

🌸 Feature detection

- 🍃 Detect features using SIFT [Lowe, IJCV 2004]



Related work (2/3)

Pairwise feature matching

- match features between each pair of images



Related work (3/3)

- ❁ Refine matching using RANSAC [Fischler & Bolles 1987]



Approach

🌸 Our approach extends view morphing (a IBR method based on implicit geometry) by integrating

- Robust fundamental matrix estimation
- Feature matching

🌸 View morphing has not been widely used in real application

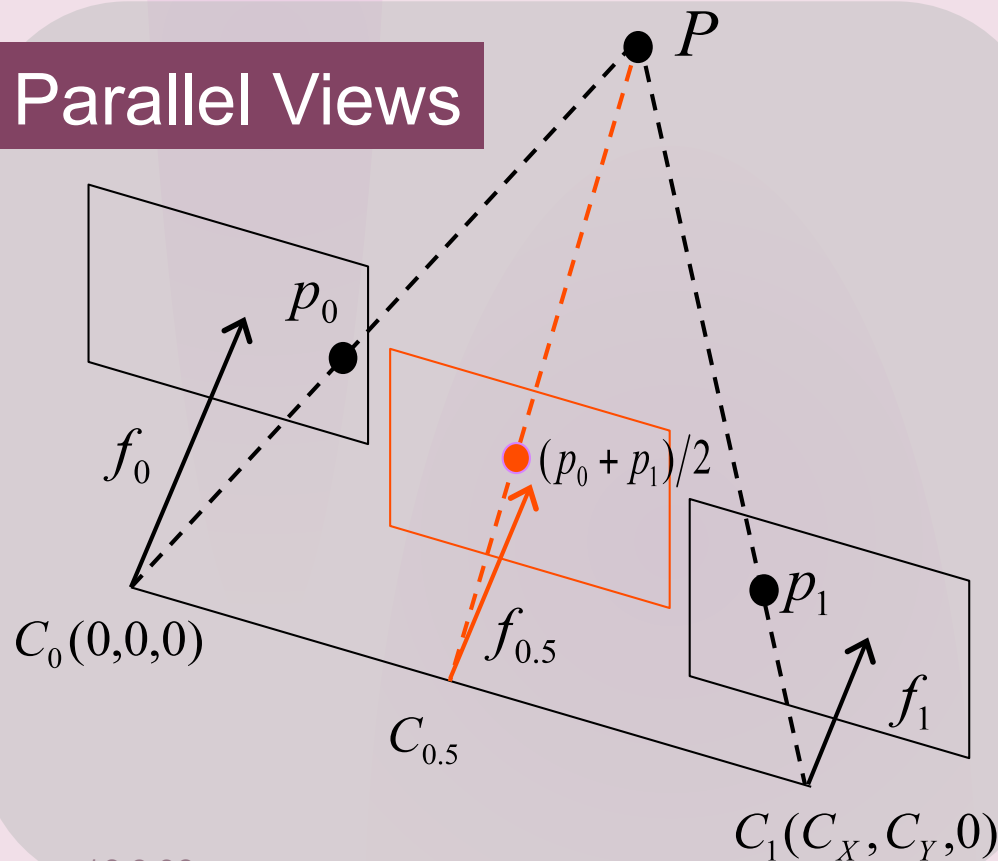
- Shape preserved
- Disadvantage
 - ❖ Excess needs of manual operations
 - ❖ Need of a prior knowledge of scene geometry



Shape-preserving

Parallel view: situation where linear interpolation of images is *shape-preserving*

Parallel Views



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Perspective projection

$$\Pi_1 = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 & 0 & 0 & -f_1 C_X \\ 0 & f_1 & 0 & -f_1 C_Y \\ 0 & 0 & f_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Pi_0 = \begin{bmatrix} f_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & f_0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear interpolation

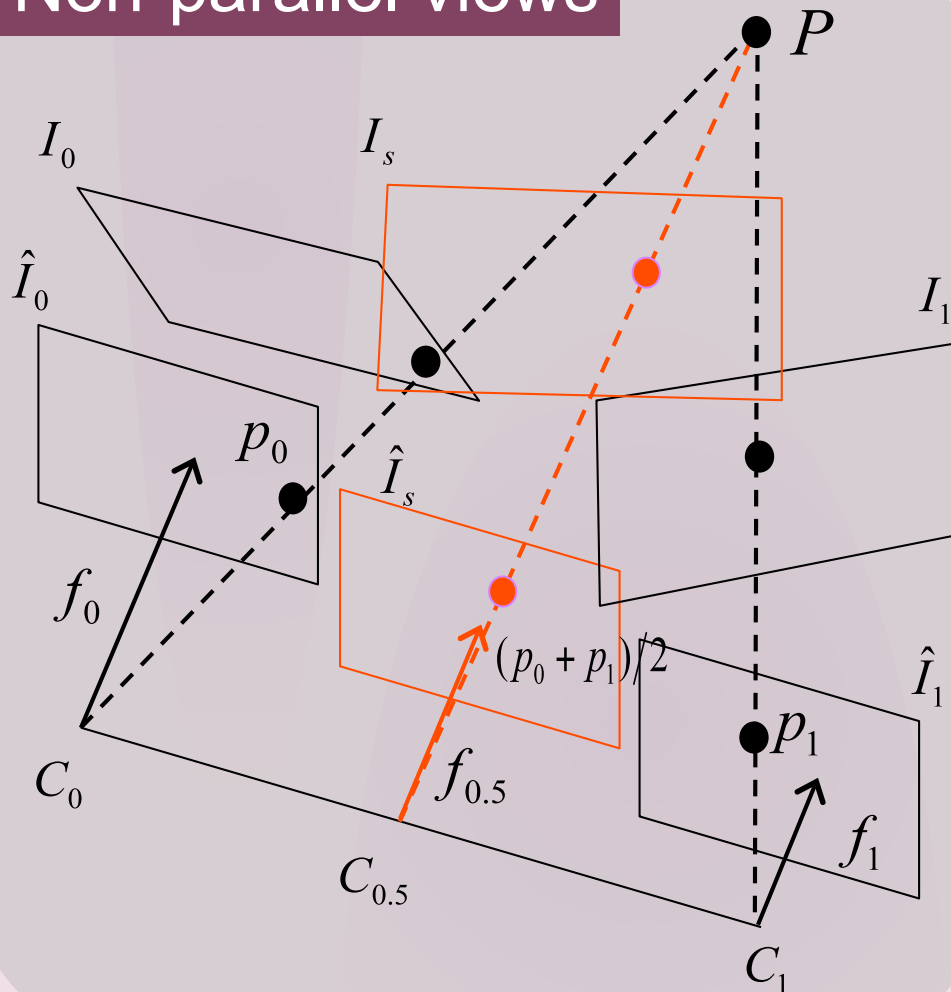
$$\begin{aligned} & (1-s)p_0 + sp_1 \\ &= (1-s)\frac{1}{Z}\Pi_0 P + s\frac{1}{Z}\Pi_1 P \\ &= \frac{1}{Z}\Pi_s P \end{aligned}$$

New perspective view

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_s &= (1-s)\Pi_0 + s\Pi_1 \\ C_s &= (sC_X, sC_Y, 0) \\ f_s &= (1-s)f_0 + sf_1 \end{aligned}$$

View morphing

Non-parallel views



Three steps

(1) Prewarping

original images I_0, I_1 are prewarped to form parallel views \hat{I}_0, \hat{I}_1

(2) Morph

\hat{I}_s is produced by interpolating the prewarped images

(3) Postwarping

\hat{I}_s is postwarped to form I_s

Prewarping (1/4)

Projective transforms: H_0, H_1

Each consisting of rotations

$R_{\theta_i}^{d_i}$: rotation of angle θ_i about axis d_i in depth which makes the image plane become parallel

R_{ϕ_i} : Affine warping to align the scanlines



Prewarping (2/4)

🌸 How we do prewarping ?

① Estimate fundamental matrix: F

🥒 Using 8-point algorithm

- ❖ Select a set of key points from I_0, I_1 by SIFT
- ❖ Match key points between image pair
 - ❖ Finding the nearest neighbor of their descriptors in Euclidean distance
- ❖ Estimate F via RANSAC iterations
 - ❖ Linear estimation from 8 points correspondence



Prewarping (3/4)

② Factorize F with singular value decomposition

- Obtain two unit eigenvectors

$$e_0 = [e_0^x, e_0^y, e_0^z], e_1 = [e_1^x, e_1^y, e_1^z]$$

- Select rotation axes as

$$d_0 = [-e_0^y, e_0^x, 0], [x, y, z]^T = F d_0, d_1 = [-y, x, 0]^T$$

- Calculate angles

$$\theta_i = -\frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{d_i^y e_i^x - d_i^x e_i^y}{e_i^z} \right)$$
$$\phi_i = -\tan^{-1} \left(\tilde{e}_i^y / \tilde{e}_i^x \right)$$



Prewarping (4/4)

③ Do projective transform

- After image been rotated twice,

$$\tilde{F} = R_{\phi_1} R_{\theta_1}^{d_1} F R_{-\theta_0}^{d_0} R_{-\phi_0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & b & c \end{bmatrix}$$

- F should be in the form

$$(H_1^{-1})^T F H_0^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Introduce a translation T on I_1

- Calculate projective transform

$$H_0 = R_{\phi_0} R_{\theta_0}^{d_0}, H_1 = T R_{\phi_1} R_{\theta_1}^{d_1}$$

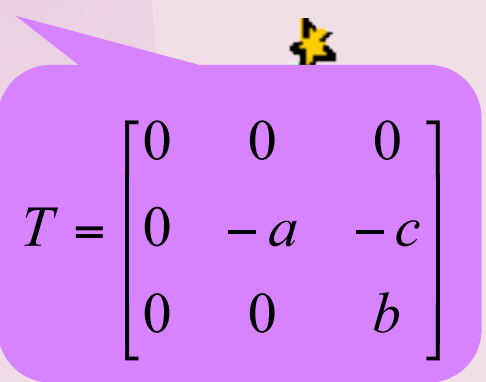

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -a & -c \\ 0 & 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$$

Image Interpolation (1/2)

🌸 Feature correspondence

- Need a sufficient number of matches between source images and they should be equally distributed.

 - ❖ Difficult in case of images with wild baseline

🌸 How we do interpolating

- ① Jointly use SIFT and Harris detectors

- ② Corner point: normalized cross-correlation

SIFT point: nearest neighbor in descriptor



Image Interpolation (2/2)

🌸 How we do interpolating

③ Eliminate the false outliers

— Use the precomputed fundamental matrix to remove outliers by enforcing Epipolar constrain $\tilde{m}'^T F \tilde{m} = 0$

❖ Obtain a set of sufficient correspondence with high confidence

— If necessary, improve the results by hand.

④ Do image warp and cross-dissolve



Experiments (1/6)

Apply our method to intersection images

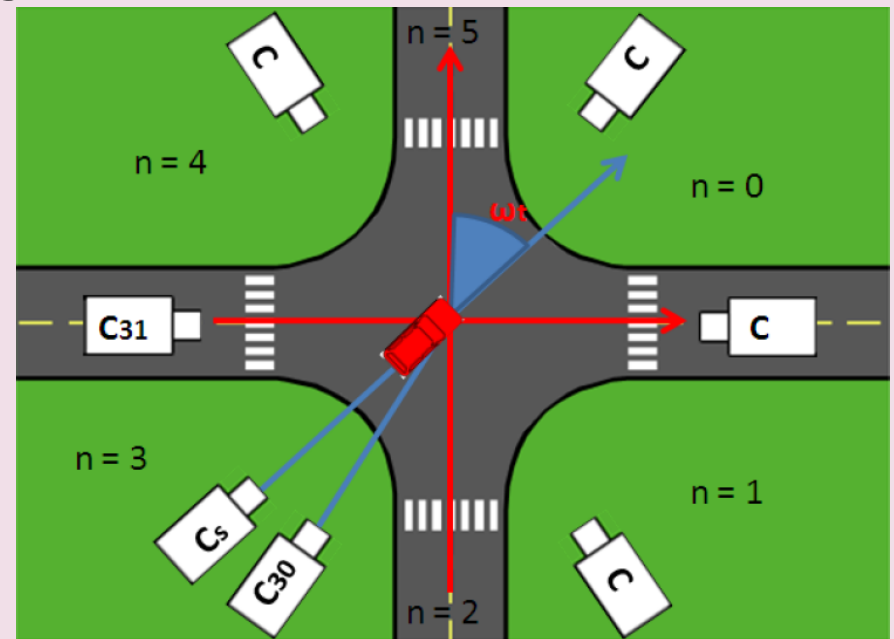
- Generate a reference view that dynamically follows host vehicle at high position

Camera setting

- Six cameras, not calibrated in advance
- Each one and clockwise neighbor form a pair

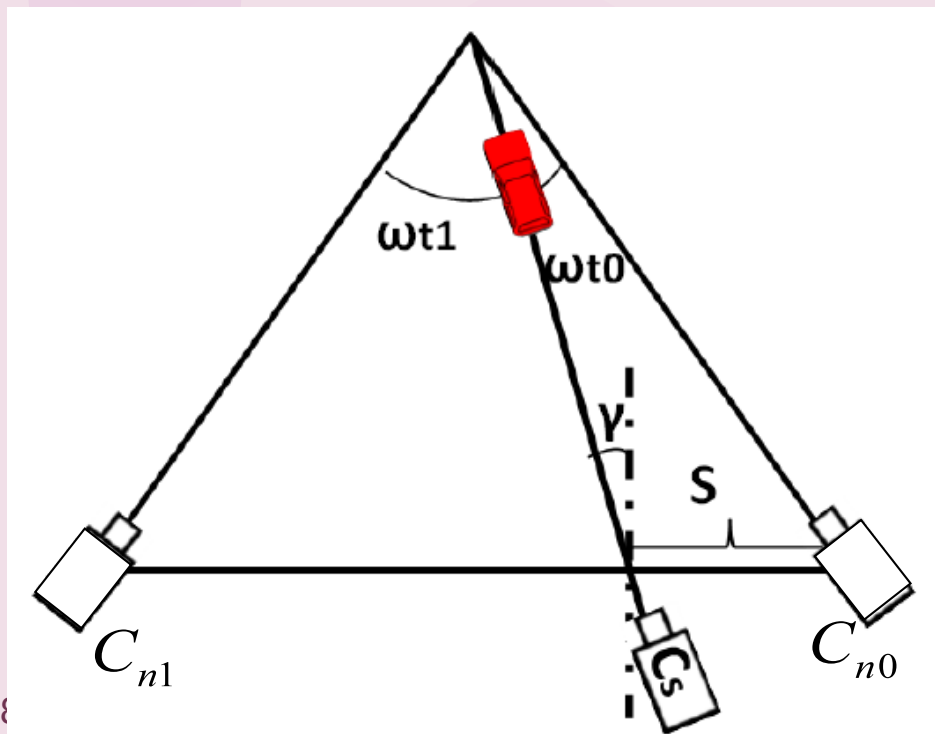
$$C_{n_0}, C_{n_1}$$

- Onboard system is supposed to receive the image stream while approaching intersection



Experiments (2/6)

- Assume online direction of host vehicle is known as ω_t
- Choose camera pair n which has the closest direction with ω_t



Approximate morphing rate s by

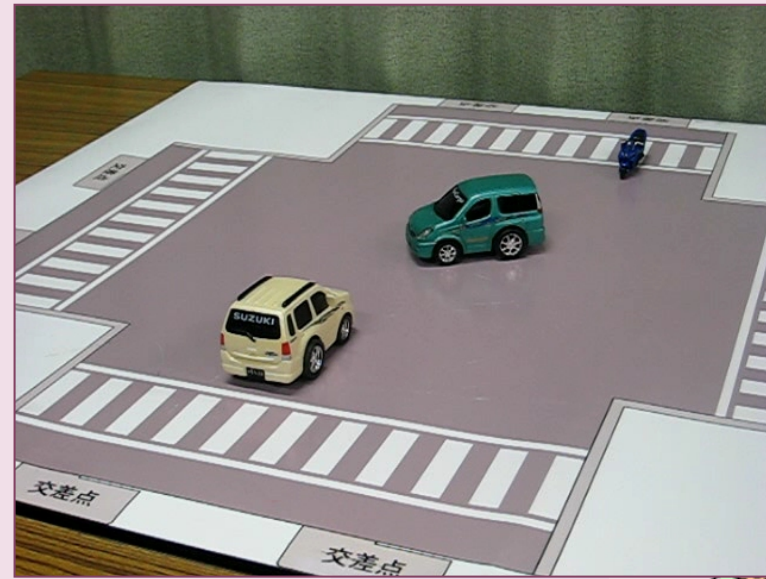
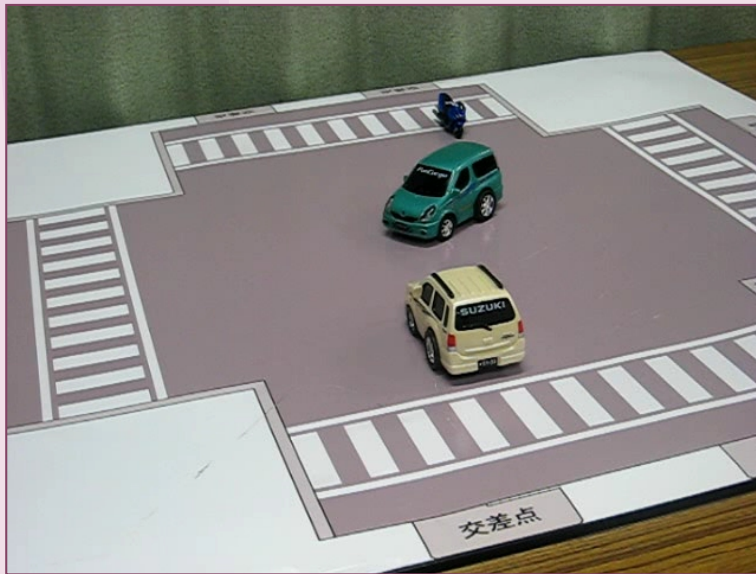
$$s_t = \omega_{t0} / (\omega_{t0} + \omega_{t1})$$
$$\gamma = (\omega_{t1} - \omega_{t0})$$



Experiments (3/6)

🌸 Source image streams

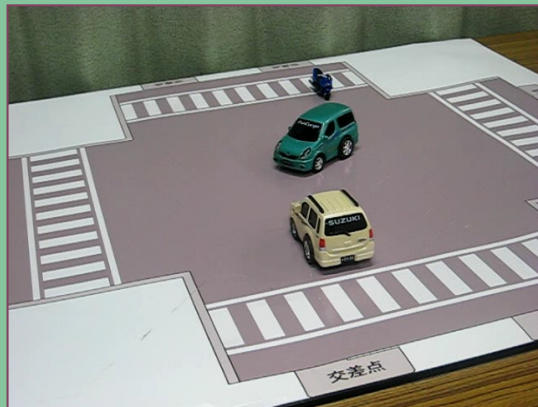
- Distance of viewpoints is around 60°



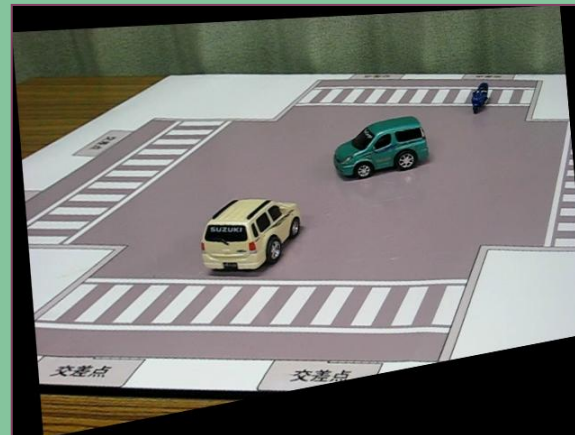
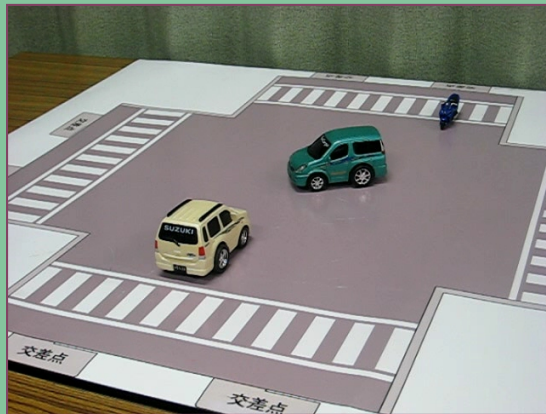
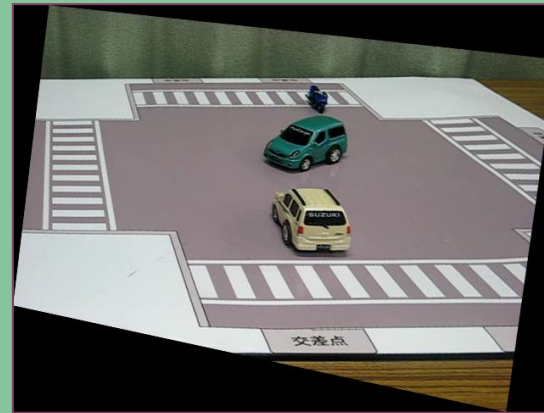
Experiments (4/6)

🌸 Prewarping

before



after



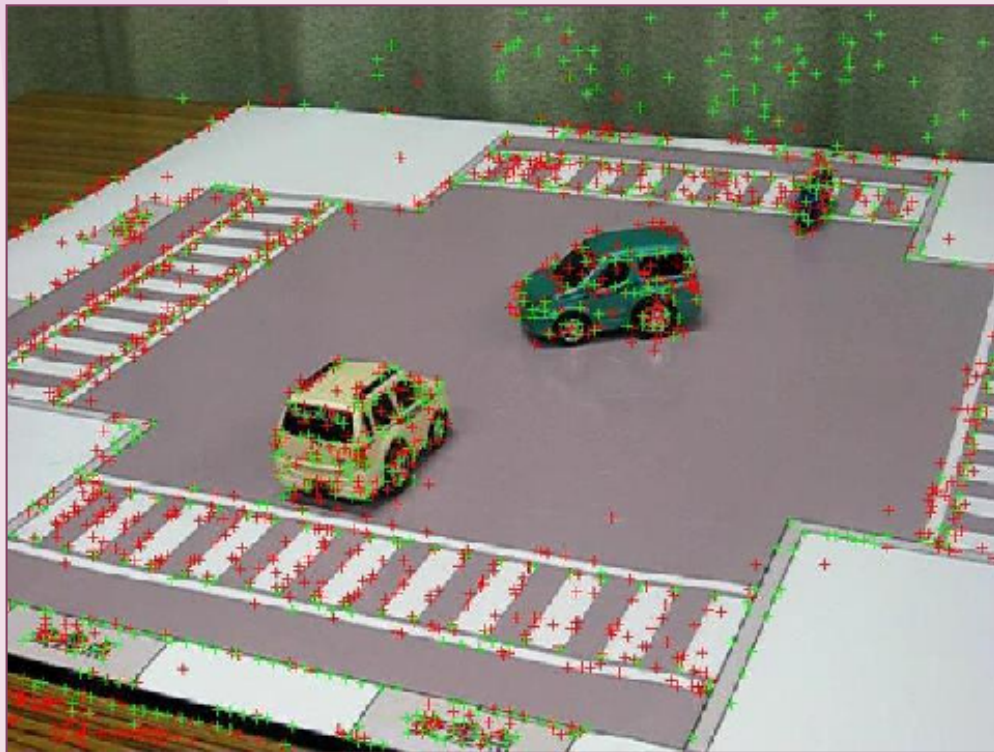
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Experiments (5/6)

Results of SIFT & Harris-Corner detectors

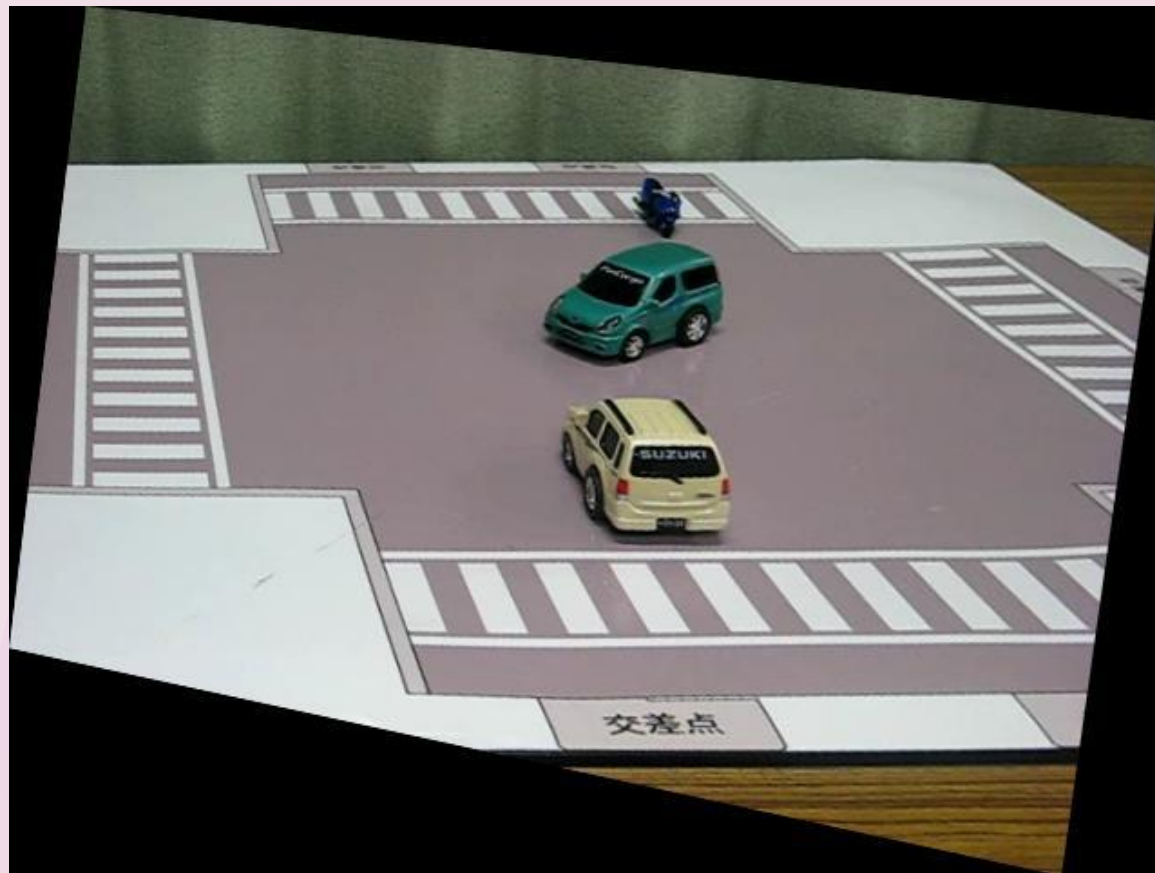


+ : SIFT
+ : Harris



Experiments (6/6)

🌸 An image stream from a virtual viewpoint



Conclusion

- 🌸 To put view morphing into practice use, it is necessary to reduce manual operations
- 🌸 Our approach has shown a solution
 - 🍌 It is capable to work on images even taken from disparate view points
 - ❖ Without any prior knowledge of scene geometry
 - ❖ Without excess manual operation
 - 🍌 Results are good.
- 🌸 Need more tests.

