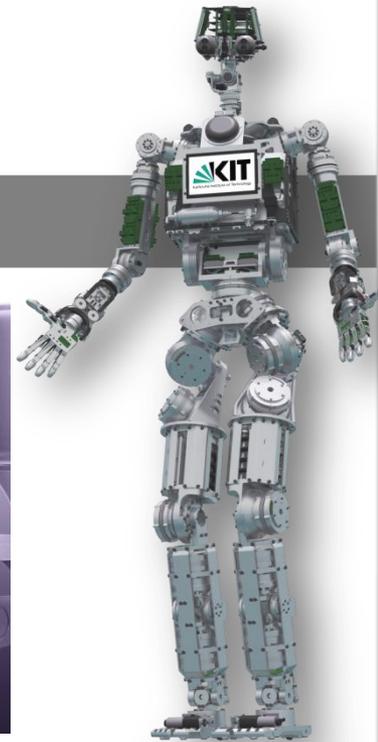
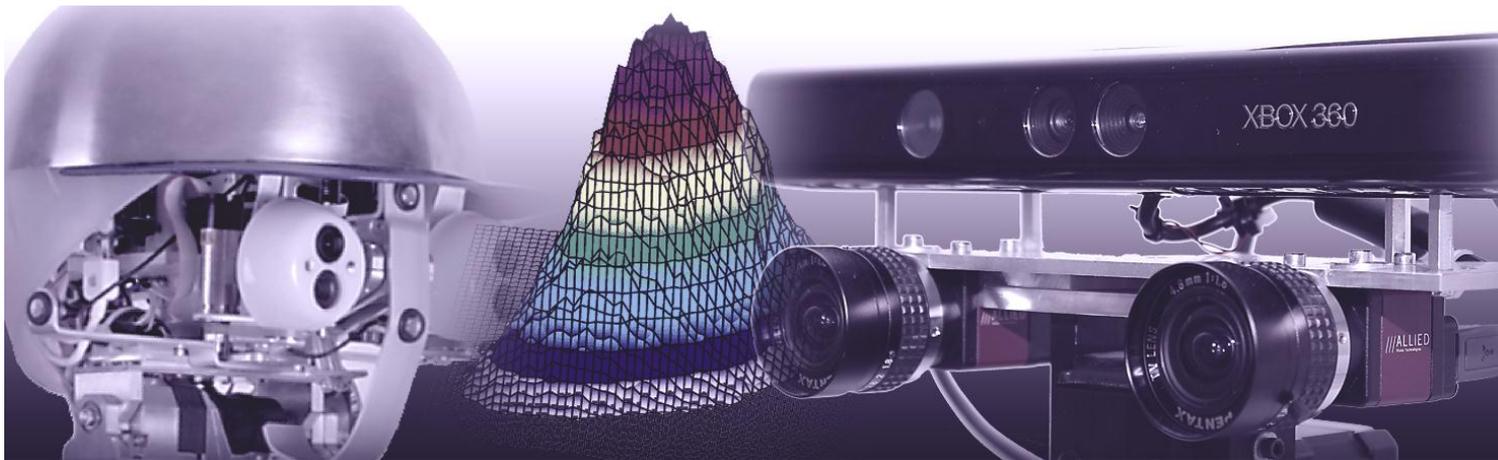


# Robotics III: Sensors

## Chapter 7: Optical 3D Sensors

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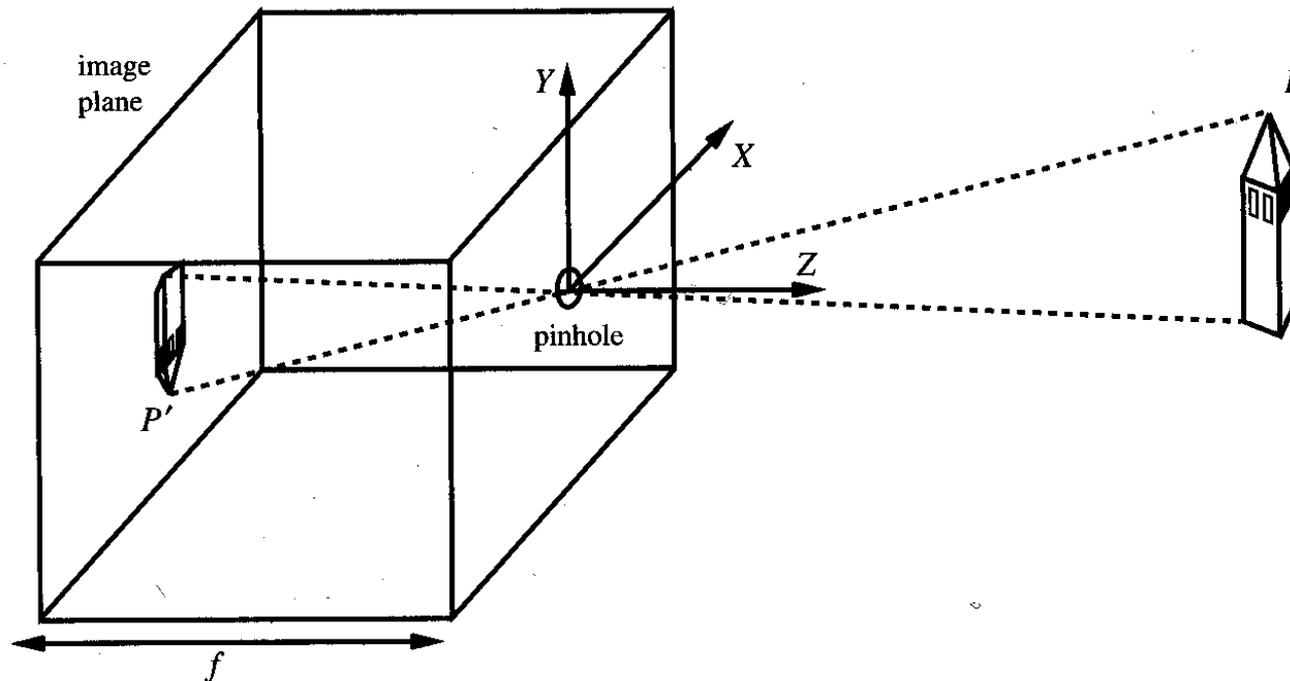
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# Pinhole I

- The simplest model: Pinhole camera model



Internal parameters: focal length  $f$  ("focal distance")

# Pinhole II

- Projection of a scene point  $P = (X, Y, Z)$  on to a pixel  $p = (u, v, w)$ :

$$-\frac{u}{f} = \frac{x}{z}, -\frac{v}{f} = \frac{y}{z}, w = -f$$

$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ -f \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{f}{z} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{f}{z} \mathbf{P}$$

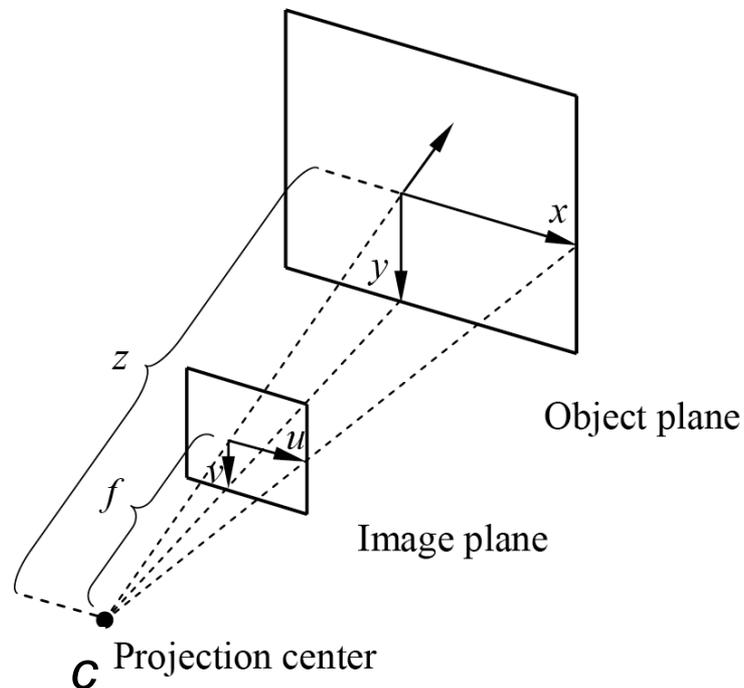
Perspective projection

$$x = -\frac{uz}{f}, y = -\frac{vz}{f}$$

Projecting back

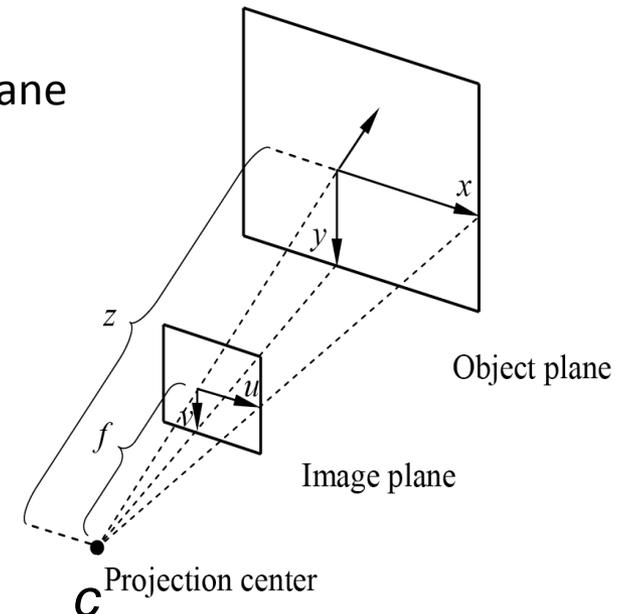
# Pinhole III

- Often used version:
  - Pinhole camera model in *Positive Location* :
    - Projection center  $C$  is located behind the image plane
    - This means: no mirroring (minus signs are omitted)



# Extended Camera Model I

- Pinhole camera model simplifies the real conditions strongly. Therefore, this model needs to be extended to be used also in practice.
  
- First, some definitions:
  - Optical axis:  
Straight through the projection center, perpendicular to the image plane
  - Principal point  $C(c_x, c_y)$ :  
Intersection of the optical axis with the image plane



# Extended Camera Model II

## ■ Coordinate Systems:

### ■ Image coordinate system:

- 2D coordinate system
- Unit [pixels]
- Agreement for the Lecture (applies to most camera drivers): origin in the upper left corner of the image,  $u$  axis points to the right,  $v$  Axis points downwards

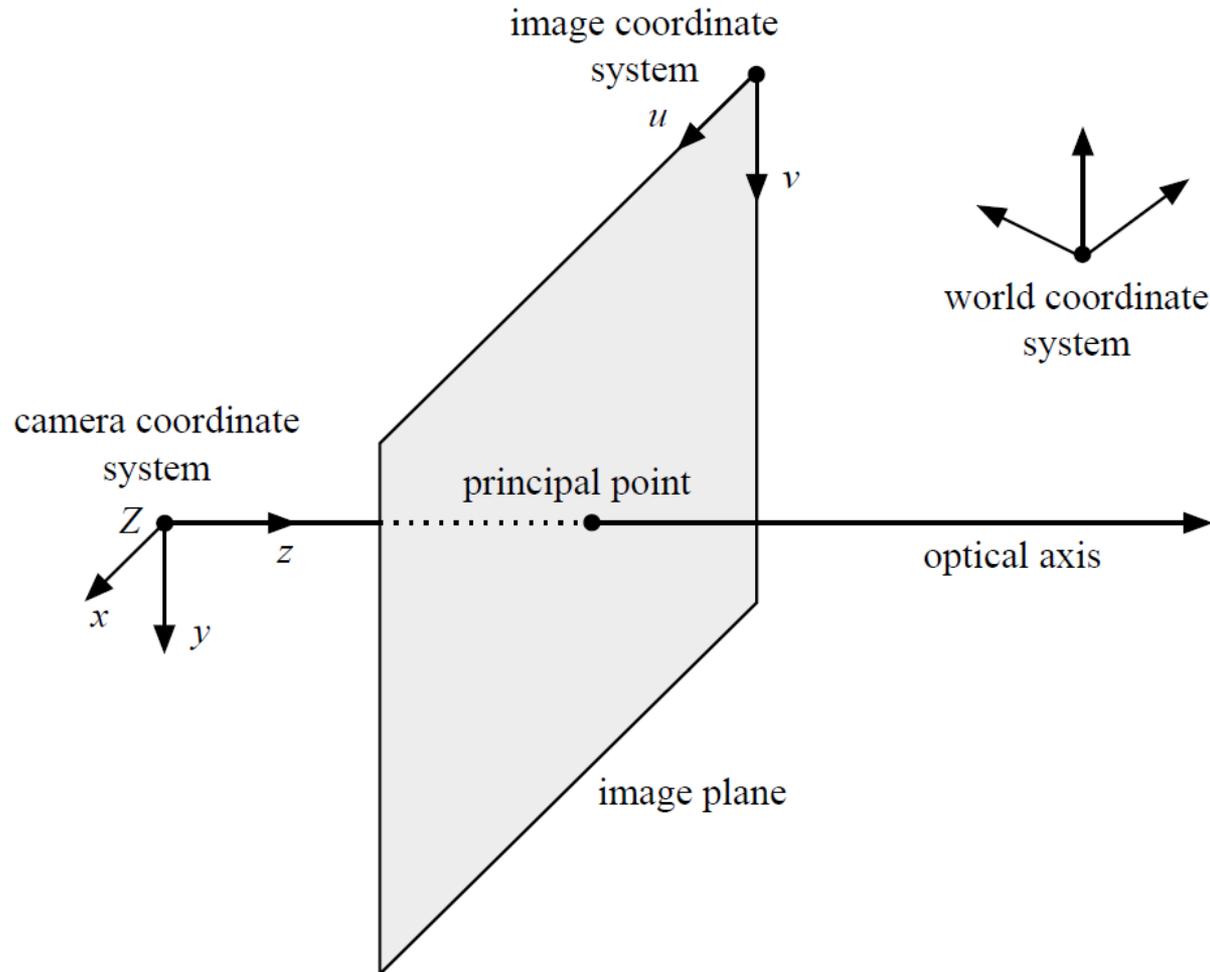
### ■ Camera coordinate system:

- 3D coordinate system
- Unit [mm]
- Origin is in the Projection center, axes parallel to the axes of the Image coordinate system, i.e.  $x$  axis to the right,  $y$  axis downwards, and the  $z$  axis in accordance with the three-finger rule for a Right-handed coordinate system to the front

### ■ World coordinate system:

- 3D coordinate system
- Unit [mm]
- Basic coordinate system that can be anywhere in the room

# Extended Camera Model III



# Extended Camera Model IV

- Terms:
  - Intrinsic camera parameters:
    - Focal length, image point
    - Parameters for the description radial / tangential Lens distortion
    - Define the non (unambiguous) reversible illustration from camera coordinate system into the Image coordinate system
  - Extrinsic camera parameters:
    - Define the relationship between the camera and the World Coordinate System
    - Generally described by a rotation  $\mathbf{R}$  and a Translation  $\mathbf{t}$

# Extended Camera Model V

- Simplifications of the Pinhole camera model:
  - Principle point is in the center of the image plane
  - Pixels are assumed to be square
  - No modeling of lens distortion
  - There is no world coordinate system or it is identical with the camera coordinate system, i.e., no extrinsic camera parameters

# Extended Camera Model VI

- Focal length:
  - Focal length is the distance between projection center and image plane
  - Since pixels are not like square but rather like rectangular, there is one parameter for each direction, i.e.:  $f_x, f_y$
  - The parameters  $f_x, f_y$  are the products from the actual Focal length with unit [mm] and the respective conversion factor with unit [Pixel / mm]
  - The unit for the parameter  $f_x, f_y$  is thus [Pixel]

## Extended Camera Model VII

- The imaging of the camera coordinate system in the Image coordinate system, exclusively with the Intrinsic parameters is then defined by:

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_x \\ c_y \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{Z} \begin{pmatrix} f_x \cdot X \\ f_y \cdot Y \end{pmatrix}$$

- Or, as a matrix multiplication by **calibration matrix K** in Homogeneous coordinates:

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \cdot w \\ v \cdot w \\ w \end{pmatrix} = K \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{pmatrix} \quad K = \begin{pmatrix} f_x & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & f_y & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Extended Camera Model VIII

- Extrinsic camera calibration
  - Is defined by a coordinate transformation from rotation  $\mathbf{R}$  and translation  $\mathbf{t}$
  - Coordinate transformation from the world coordinate system to the Camera coordinate system:

$$\mathbf{x}_c = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{x}_w + \mathbf{t}$$

- The final output is a  $3 \times 4$  **projection matrix**  $\mathbf{P}$  (involving both intrinsic and extrinsic parameters) in homogeneous coordinates:

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \cdot w \\ v \cdot w \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{P} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{KR} \mid \mathbf{Kt})$$

# Lens Distortions I

- The imaging by real lenses is not perfectly linear
- In particular, lenses with a small focal length form the (Radial) distortion



A sample *distorted* camera image!

## Lens Distortions II

- Models are generally used
  - Radial lens distortions
  - Tangential lens distortions
- The output is the projection of the undistorted Coordinates on the plane  $z = 1$ :

- For the distorted image coordinates: 
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} := \begin{pmatrix} \frac{u - c_x}{f_x} \\ \frac{v - c_y}{f_y} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Radius: 
$$r := \sqrt{x_n^2 + y_n^2}$$

## Lens Distortions III

- From the coordinates  $x_n, y_n$ , the distorted coordinates are computed according to the distortion model

- Radial lens distortion

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_d \\ y_d \end{pmatrix} = (1 + d_1 r^2 + d_2 r^4) \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- Tangential lens distortion

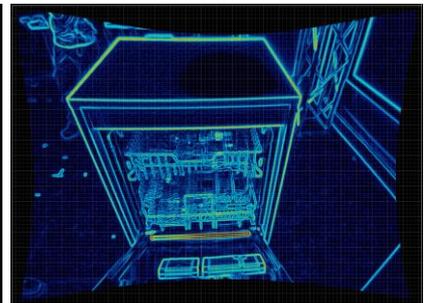
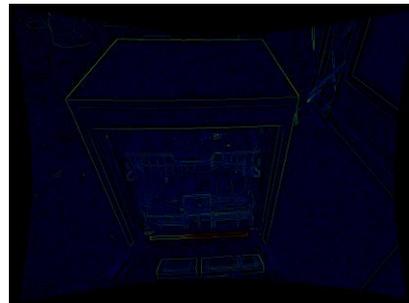
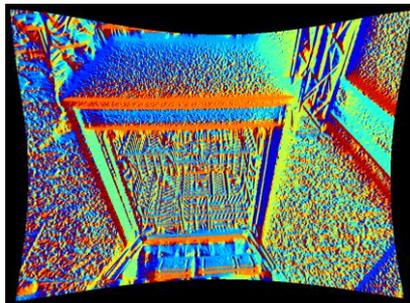
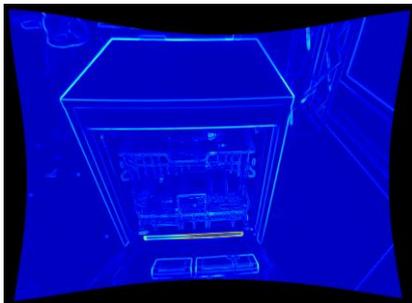
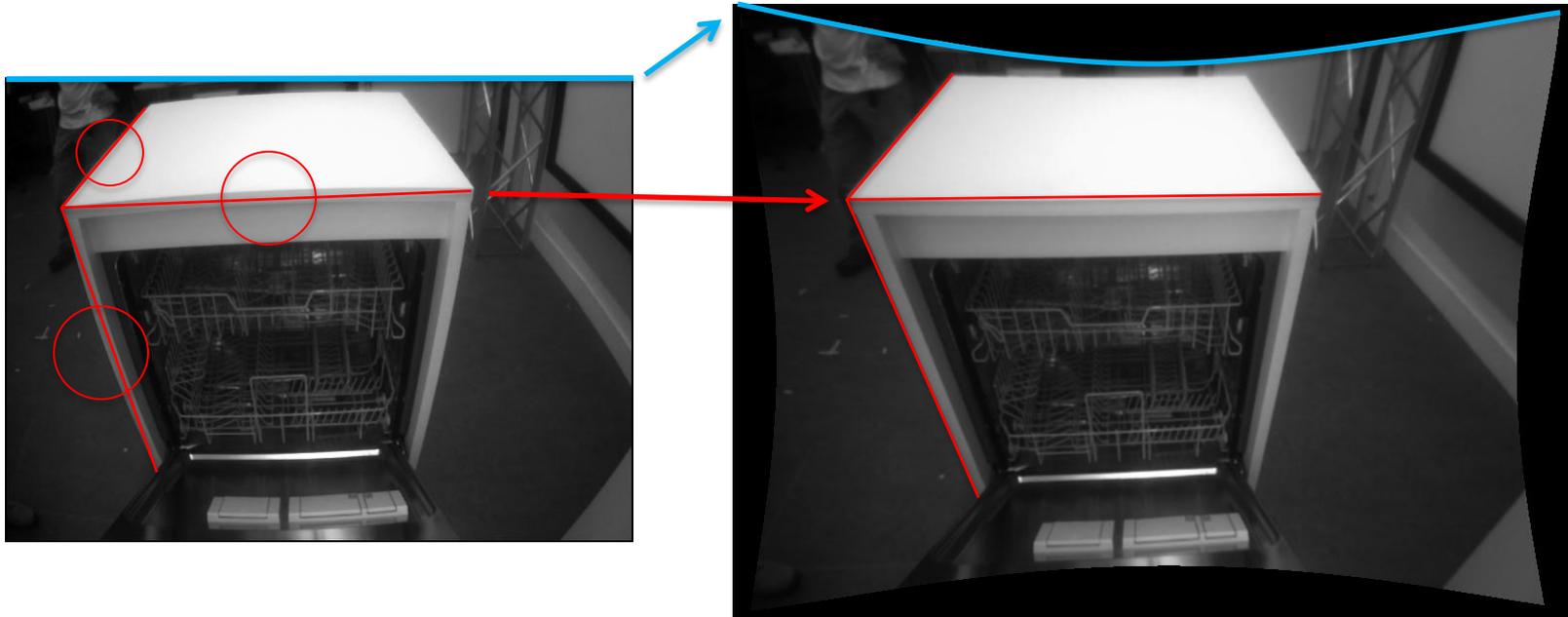
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_d \\ y_d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} d_3 (2x_n y_n) + d_4 (r^2 + 2x_n^2) \\ d_3 (r^2 + 2y_n^2) + d_4 (2x_n y_n) \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} u_d \\ v_d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_x x_d + c_x \\ f_y y_d + c_y \end{pmatrix}$$

## Lens Distortions IV

- Example of an undistorted image
  - For each pixel in the rectified image, the intensity or color value is determined by "lookup" in the distorted original image and interpolation (e.g., bilinear)



# Lens Distortions V



# Camera Calibration I

- The calibration of a camera means the determination of the parameters with respect to a selected one camera model
- The determination of the intrinsic parameters is independent of the structure; As long as the zoom and focus of the camera remain the same, these parameters do not change
- The determination of the extrinsic parameters depends on the selection of the world coordinate system and changes depending on the structure

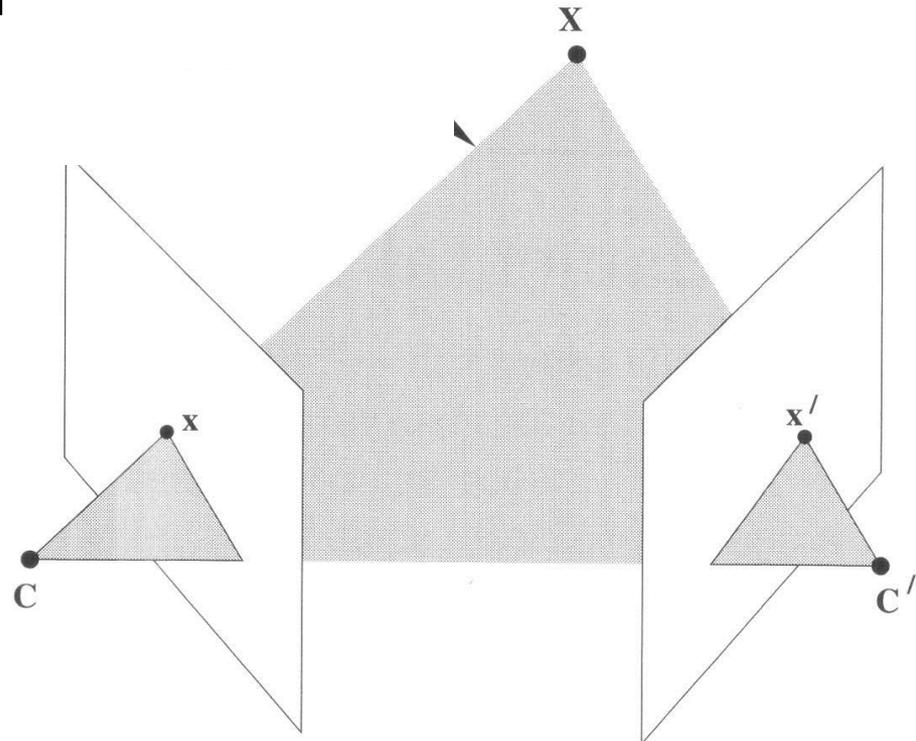
## Camera Calibration II

- If the camera is calibrated, then the imaging function  $f$  maps a point from the world coordinate system unambiguously into the image coordinate system:
  - $f: R^3 \rightarrow R^2$
- $f$  is defined by the projection matrix  $P$  and subsequent transformation of the homogeneous coordinates by division of  $w$
- The inverse image maps a point in the image coordinate system to a straight line in the world coordinate system that passes through the projection center

# Stereo Reconstruction I

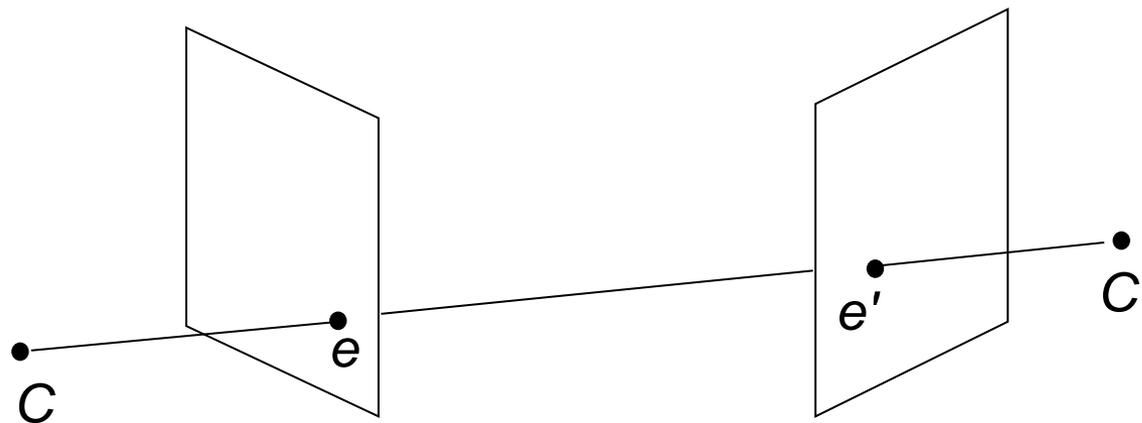
Given:

- Two cameras with projection matrices  $C$  and  $C'$
- Two images  $x$  and  $x'$  of the point  $X$
- Then  $X$  can be reconstructed



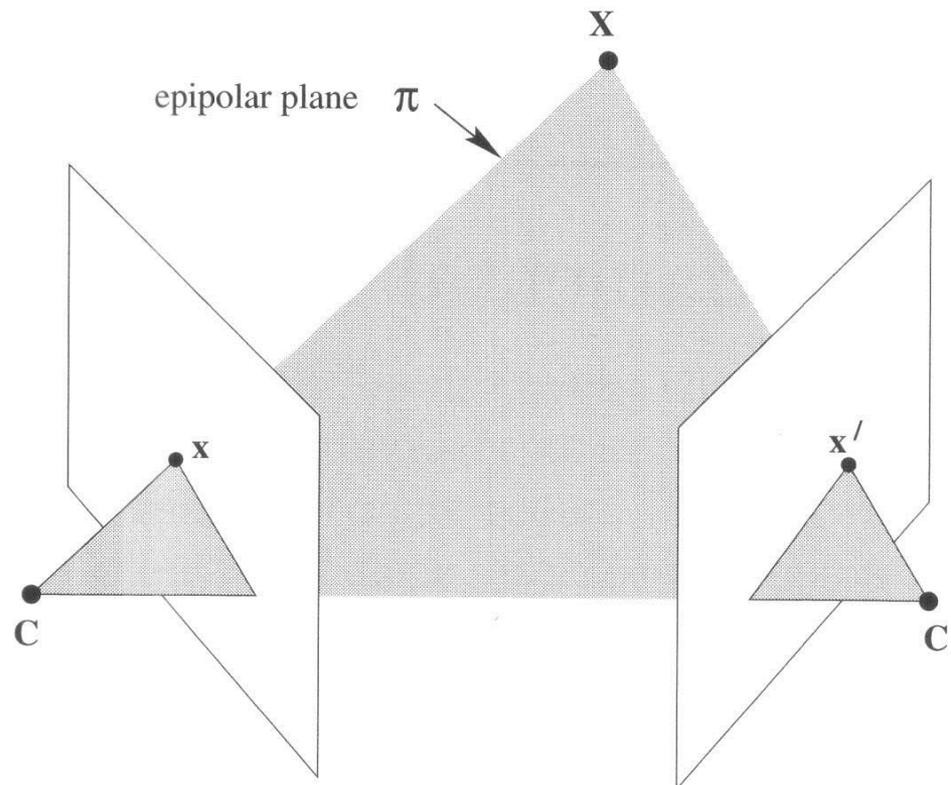
# Epipolar Geometry I

- Connection between two cameras is given by the epipolar geometry
- *The intersections  $e$  and  $e'$  of the straight line through the projection centers with the image planes are called Epipole*



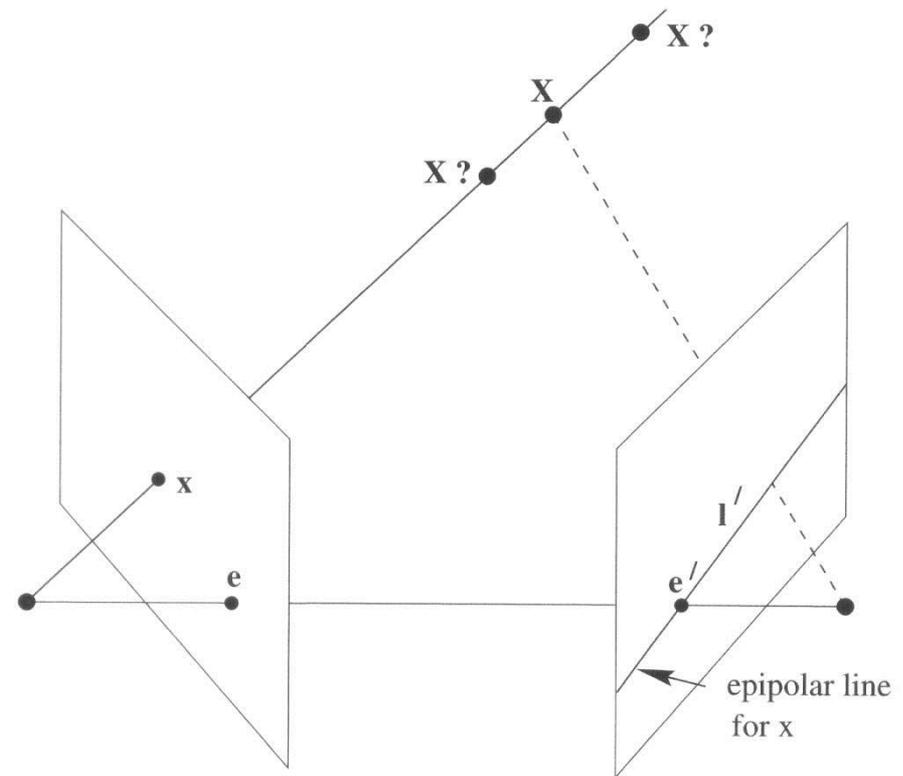
# Epipolar Geometry II

- *Epipolar plane  $\pi(X)$ :*  
A plane passes by  $C$ ,  $C'$  and scene point  $X$



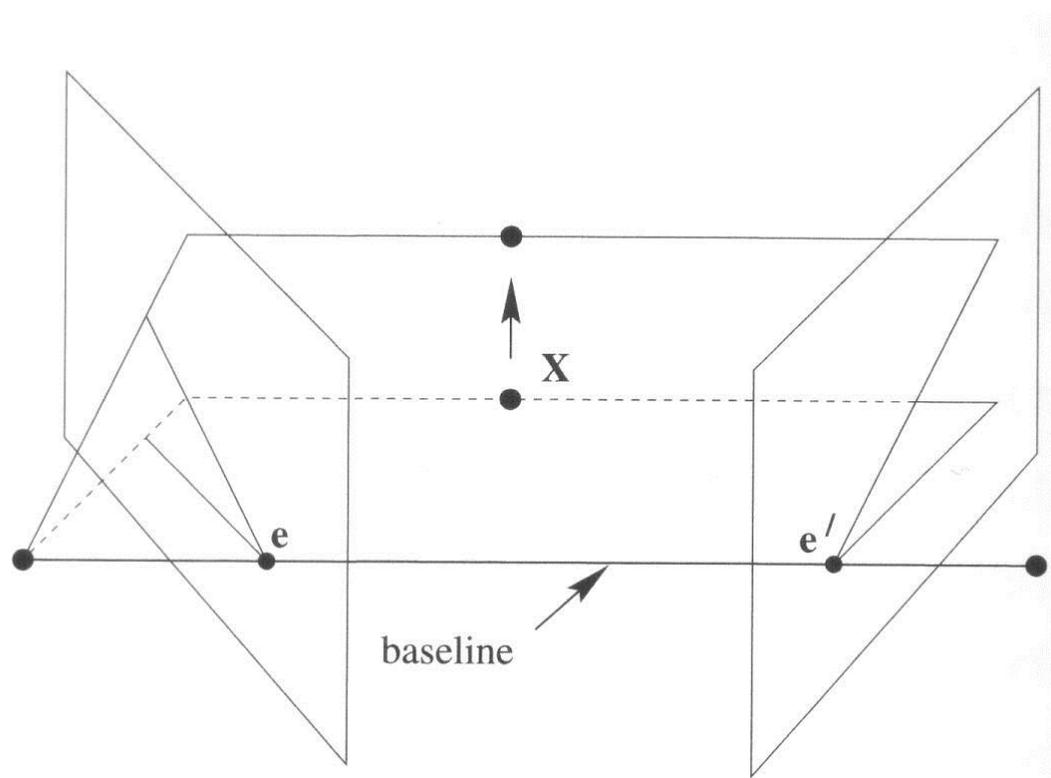
# Epipolar Geometry III

- Epipolar line  $l'(x)$ : Line of intersection of  $\pi(X)$  with image plane
- All points  $X$ , which are imaged on  $x$  in camera image 1, are mapped to a Point of the line  $l'(x)$  in camera image 2.



# Epipolar Geometry IV

- All epipolar lines of a camera system intersect in the epipoles  $e$  and  $e'$



# Epipolar Geometry V

- Use
  - Restriction of the correspondence problem from two dimensions to one dimension since, according to corresponding features, only the epipolar line has to be searched, therefore:
  - Higher robustness (less false correspondences)
  - Higher efficiency



# Fundamental Matrix I

- Mathematical description of epipolar geometry is performed by the fundamental matrix
- Properties of the **fundamental matrix**  $F$ :
  - Is a  $3 \times 3$ -Matrix
  - Has Rank 2
  - For all correspondences  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'$ :  
$$\mathbf{x}'^T F \mathbf{x} = 0$$
  
( $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{x}'$  are pixels in homogenous coordinates with  $w = 1$ )

## Fundamental Matrix II

- The epipolar lines can be calculated with the fundamental matrix
- Epipolar lines:
  - $l = F^T x'$
  - $l' = Fx$
- The following applies to the epipoles:
  - $Fe = 0$
  - $F^T e' = 0$
- Note:  $l$  (or  $l'$ ) defines a 2D straight line as follows:  
 $l \cdot x = 0$  for all pixels  $x$  (in homogenous coordinates with  $w = 1$ ), which lies on this straight line

# Fundamental Matrix III

- The fundamental matrix can be calculated in several ways:
  - About image point correspondences in the left and right camera
  - For known intrinsic and extrinsic calibration of the cameras directly via the calibration matrices  $K$ ,  $K'$  and the essential matrix  $E$ , which is defined by the extrinsic parameters

# Fundamental Matrix IV

- Calculation of the fundamental matrix via Essential matrix is possible
  
- Essential matrix can be calculated by the extrinsic parameters:
  - Given:
    - Camera 1 with  $(I | \mathbf{0})$  as Transformation (Identical)
    - Camera 2 with  $(R | \mathbf{t})$  as Transformations
  - Essential matrix  $E$  can be calculated as:

$$E = [t]_{\times} R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -t_3 & t_2 \\ t_3 & 0 & -t_1 \\ -t_2 & t_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} R$$

The following applies to the epipoles:

$$\mathbf{e} = -KR^T \mathbf{t}$$

$$\mathbf{e}' = K' \mathbf{t}$$

## Fundamental Matrix $V$

- Having computed the essential matrix (e.g., calculated via the extrinsic parameters) and the intrinsic parameters, i.e. the calibration matrices  $K, K'$ , the fundamental matrix can be calculated as:

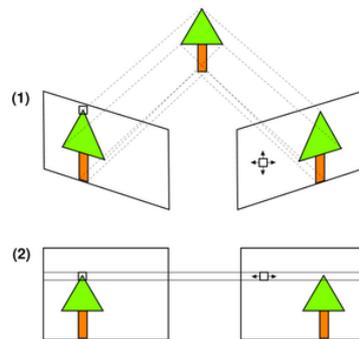
$$F = K'^T E K^{-1}$$

- Conversely, if the fundamental matrix has been determined (e.g., via pixel correspondences) and the intrinsic parameters, i.e. the calibration matrices  $K, K'$ , the essential matrix can be calculated as:

$$E = K^T F K$$

# Stereoscopy: Depth Maps I

- Benefits of the Fundamental Matrix:
  - By using the fundamental matrix, the input images can be *rectified*
    - After rectification, all epipolar lines run horizontally with the same  $v$ -coordinate as the image point in the other camera image
    - After correspondences only horizontal (in one direction) has to be searched



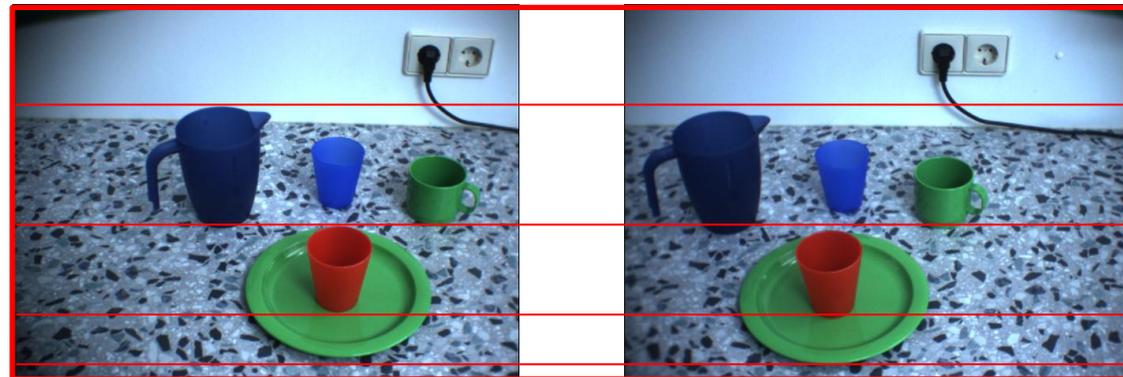
## Stereoscopy: Depth Maps II

- Rectified images have the advantage that optimized correlation algorithms can be used for solving the correspondence problem
  - ⇒ 30 Hz (and higher) for calculating the disparity card at  $640 \times 480$  8-bit gray scale
- Disadvantage:
  - Interpolation necessary for the calculation of the rectified images ⇒ Quality loss
  - Images strongly distorted depending on the structure

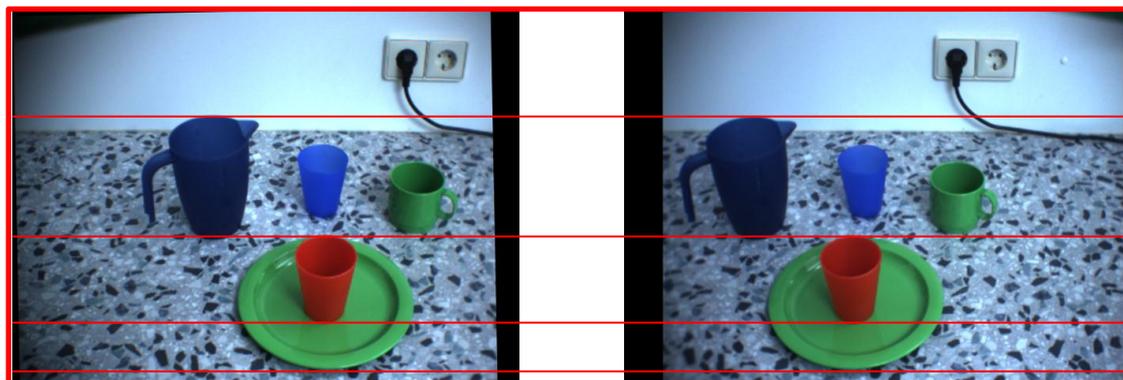
# Stereoscopy: Depth Maps III

- Example of rectification with a standard stereo setup  $\Rightarrow$  relatively low distortion

Original Images  
Left / Right



Rectified Images  
Left / Right



# Stereoscopy: Depth Maps IV

- After solving the correspondence problem:
  - Point clouds can be calculated by triangulation, as explained before
  - Depth images are generated by recording the disparities (Difference of  $u$ -coordinates for correspondence found in the rectified images) into a gray scale image:  $\Rightarrow$  The higher the gray value, the closer the corresponding 3D point to the camera is

# Stereoscopy: Depth Maps V

- Example of standard benchmark image pair “Tsukuba”



Left  
Image



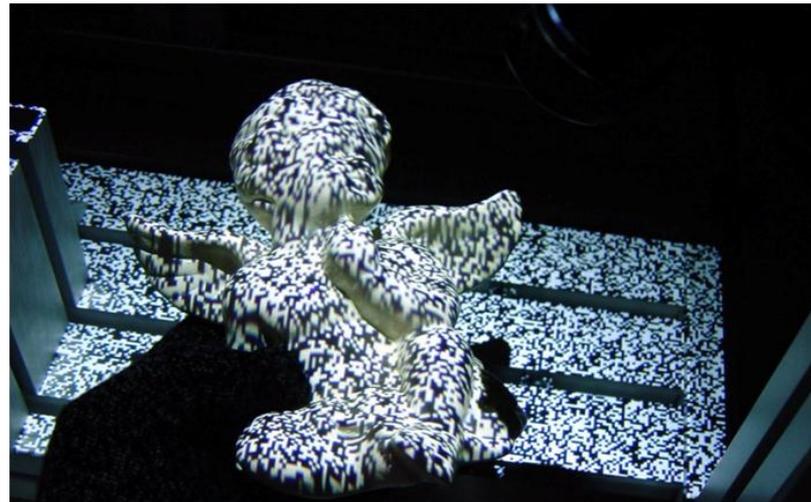
Right  
Image



Depth Image

# Passive Pattern Projection

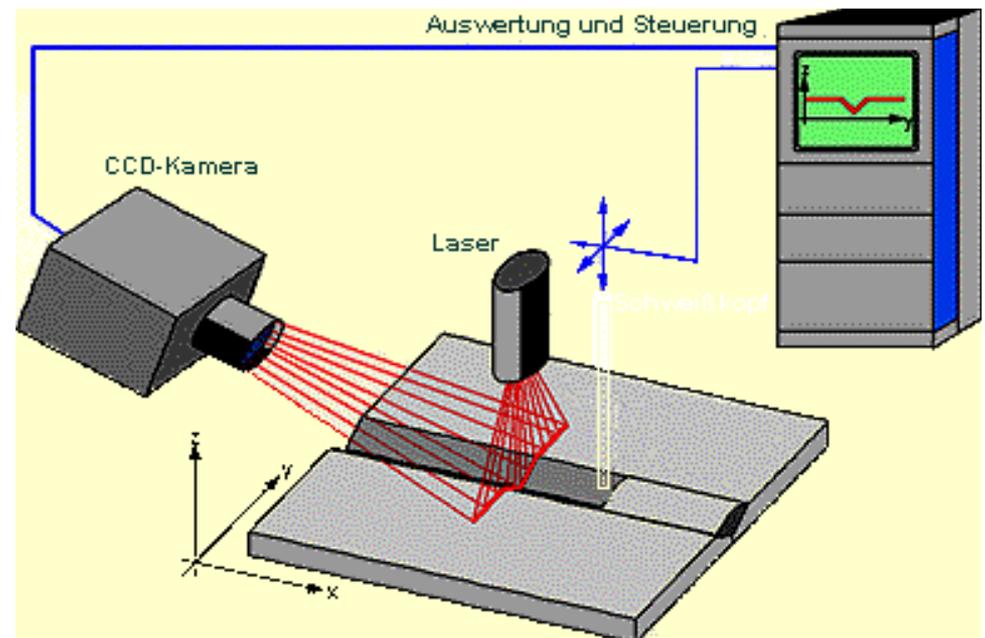
- A pattern is projected to make homogeneous surfaces structured
- Knowledge of the pattern is not necessary
- Projector does not need to be calibrated
- Correspondence problem for stereo camera systems can be solved more effectively



# Active Pattern Projection

- Idea: Geometrical structure coded in projected light can be read back from the image

- Principle: Triangulation
  - Projection of a light pattern on object
  - Observation of the projected pattern by camera
  - Calculation of the selected 3D point



# Structured light: Faster recording

- Projection of two dimensional patterns
- Problem: Correspondence problem



- Which point in the camera image corresponds to which ray of the projector?

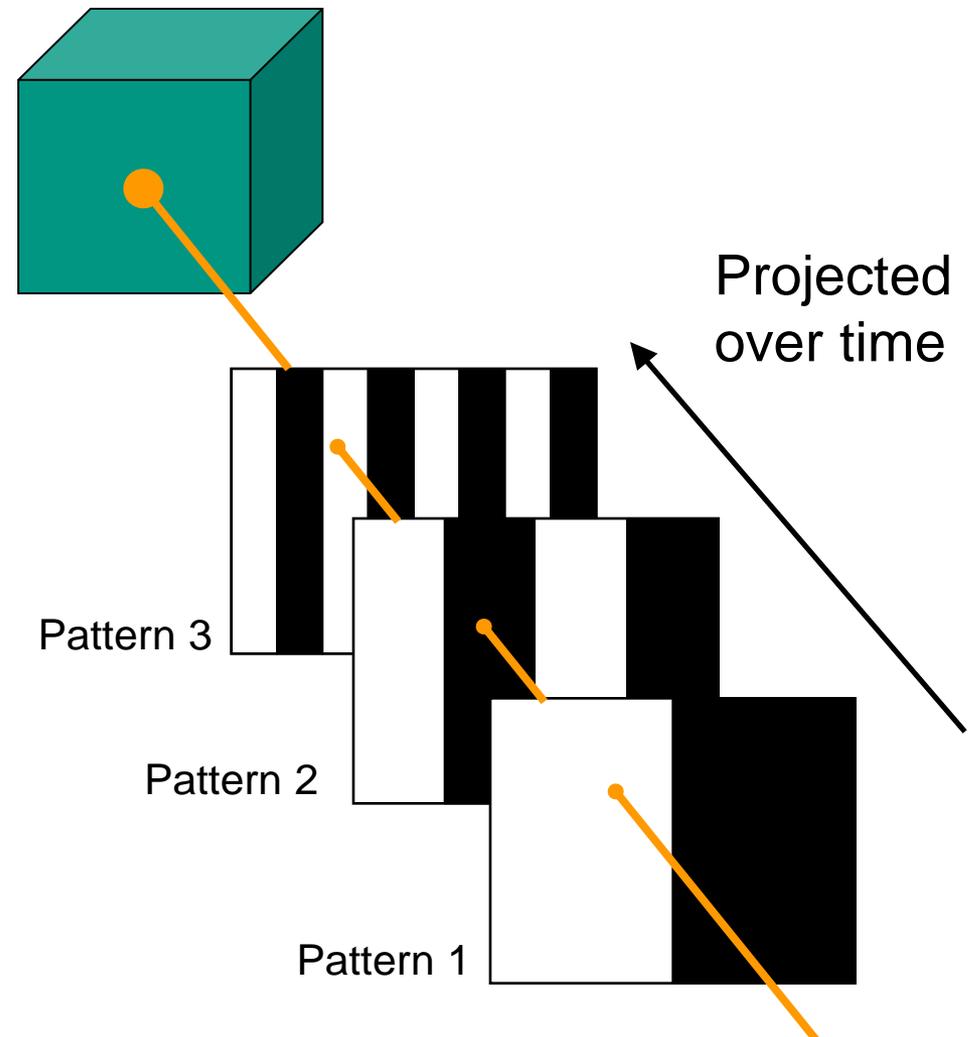
# Solution

- Types of patterns for solving correspondence problems
  - Time coded methods
  - Phase shift method
  - Frequency encoding
  - Locally coding methods
    - Color coding
    - Binary coded black and white pattern

# Binary Coding / Time Coded Process

Example:

3 binary-encoded patterns  
 which allows the measuring  
 surface to be divided in 8 sub-  
 regions

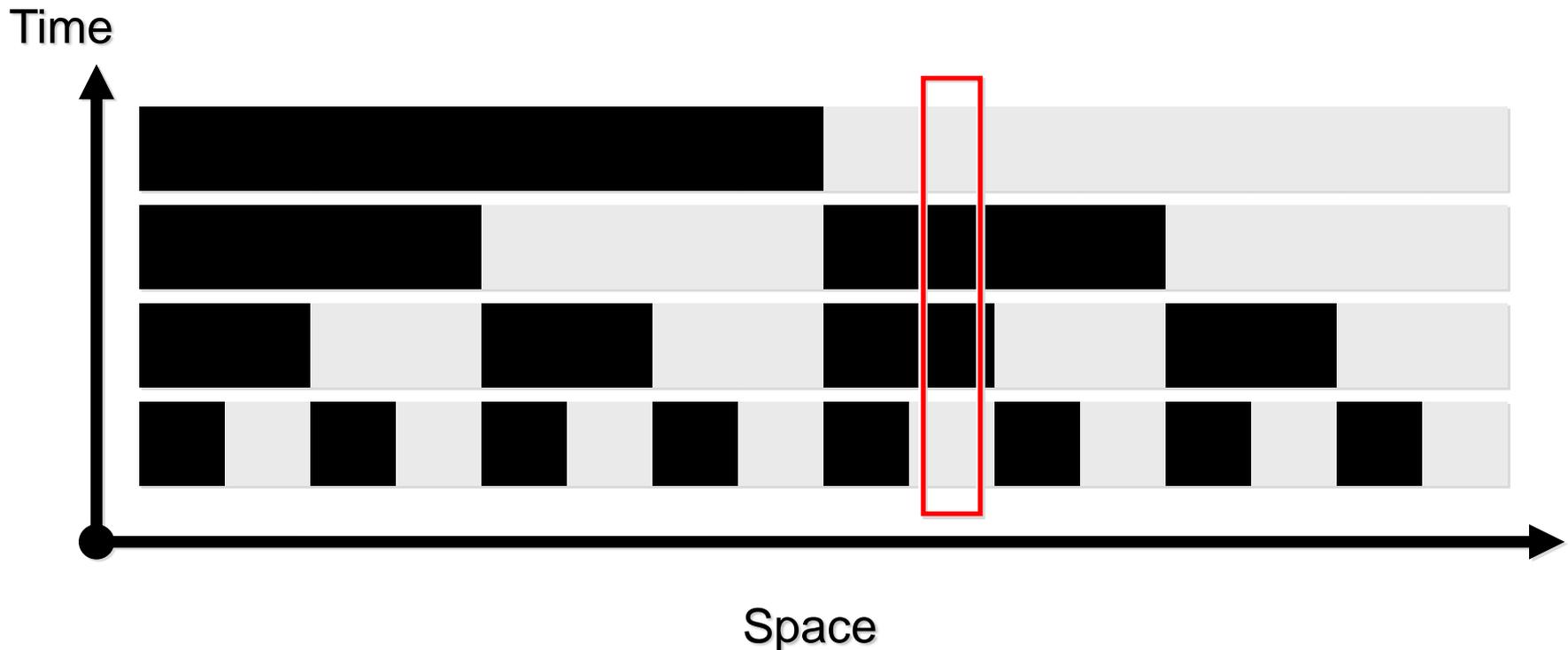


# Temporal Coding I

- Projecting many strips one after the other
  - Binary coding of stripe pattern → smaller number of projections
  - When  $n$  projections with different patterns  $n \rightarrow 2^n$  strips
  - In the event of a faulty evaluation of a pixel code value, max. Error:  $2^{n-1}$
  - Using the GrayCode → max. Error: 1

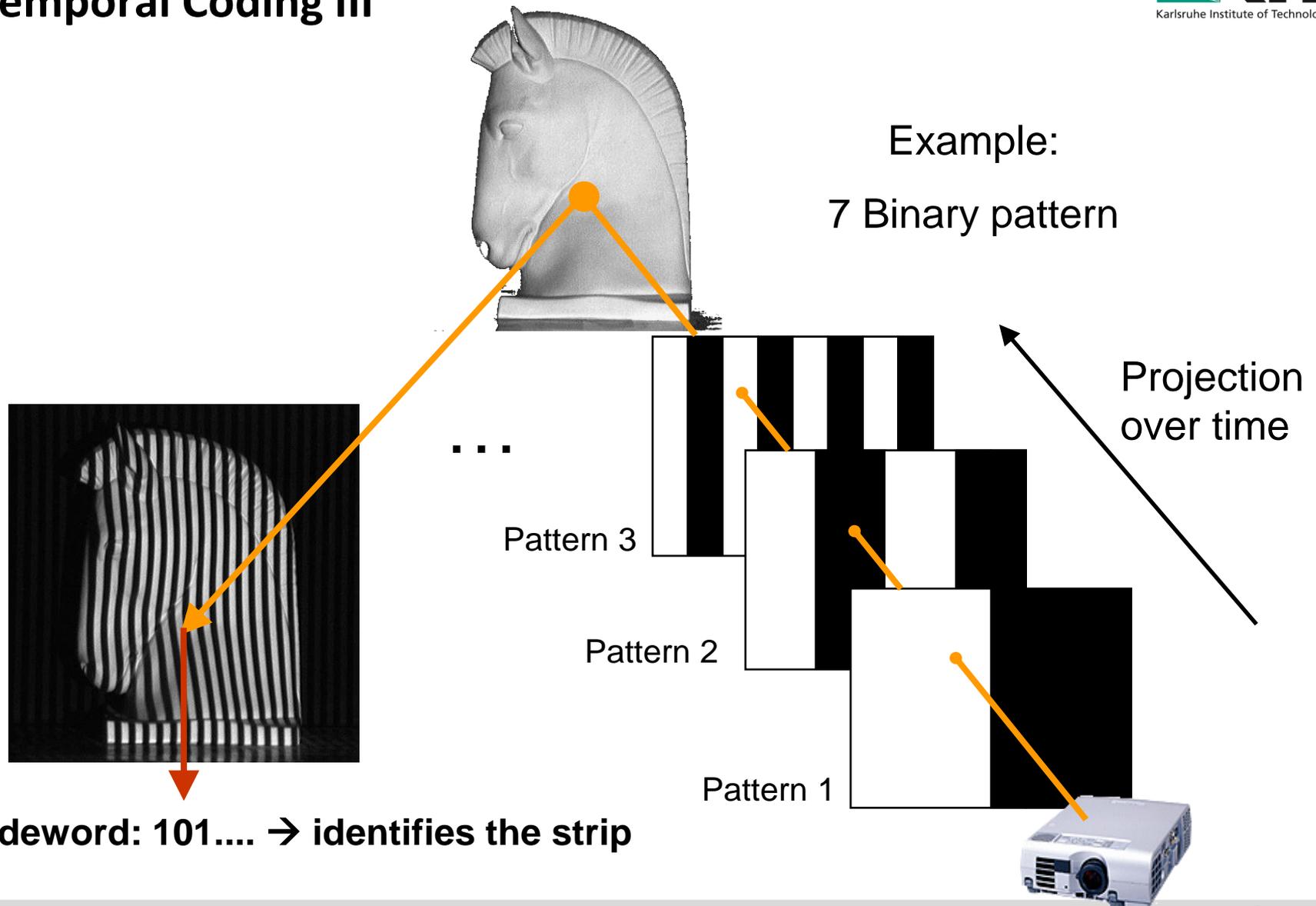
## Temporal Coding II

- Each strip is made by projecting several patterns each of which has a unique code [Posdamer 82]



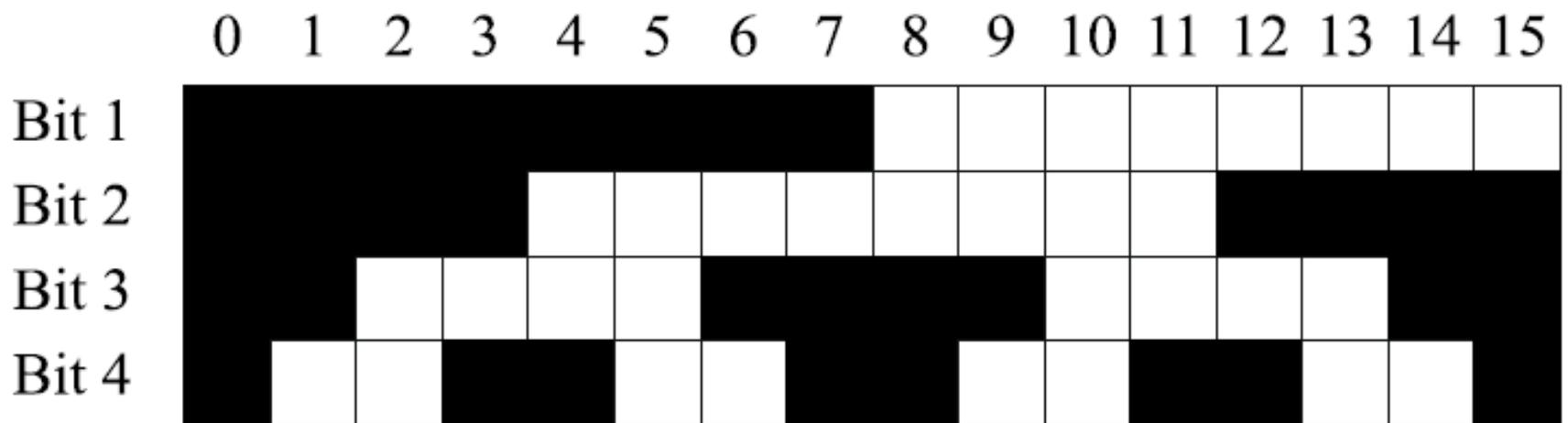
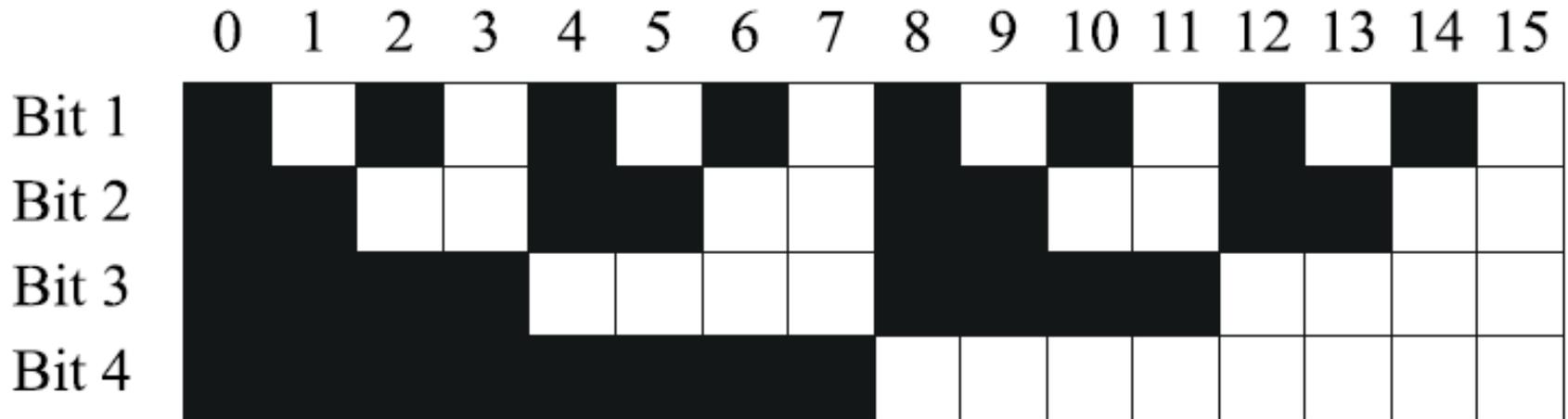
# Temporal Coding III

Example:  
7 Binary pattern



# Temporal Coding IV

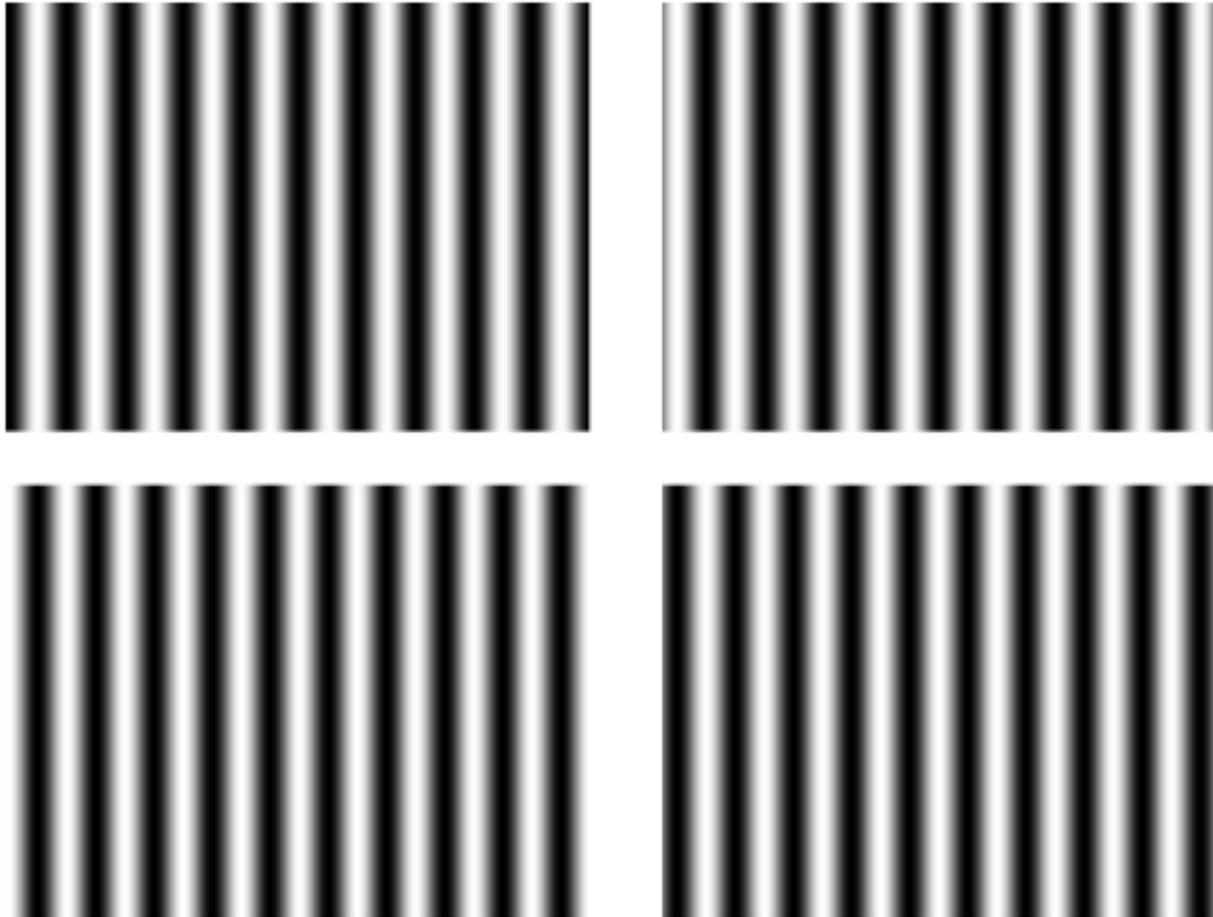
Top: Binary code, Bottom: Gray code



# Temporal Coding V

- For multiple projection of binary patterns (or Gray Code), the achievable resolution is limited by the resolution of the projector
- Therefore: Combination with phase shifting
  - Phase only uniquely in the interval  $[-\pi/2, +\pi/2]$
  - Combination solves ambiguity
  - Sub pixel resolution (regarding projector) is achieved

## Temporal Coding VI



- Four different phases in the phase shifting process

# Phase Coded Methods I

- Sinusoidal gray scale is projected onto the scene
- Intensity value  $I_i(x,y)$  in the  $i$ -th phase pattern

$$I_i(x, y) = I_0 + A(x, y) \cdot \sin(\varphi(x, y) + i \cdot \Delta\varphi)$$

$I_0$ :	Intensity offset
$A(x,y)$ :	Amplitude
$\varphi(x,y)$ :	Searched phase value
$\Delta\varphi$ :	Phase shift per stage

## Phase Coded Methods II

- Ex. One case with 4 measurements and  $\Delta\varphi = \pi/2$

$$\varphi(x, y) = \arctan \frac{I_3(x, y) - I_1(x, y)}{I_2(x, y) - I_0(x, y)}$$

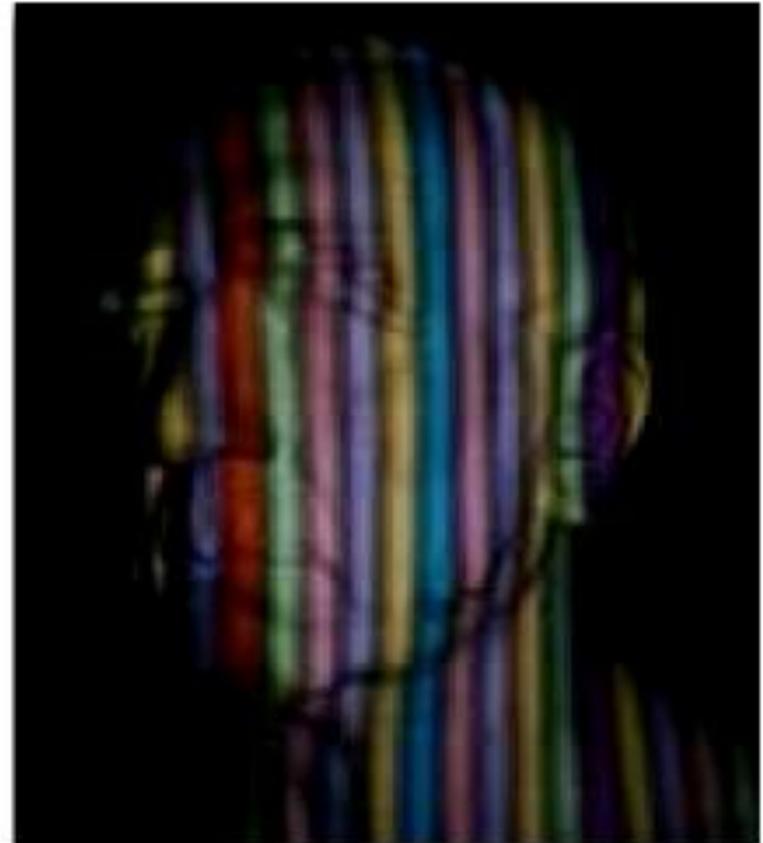
- Uniqueness of the phase value only within one period guaranteed  
→ Combine with Graycode method to increase the resolution

# Frequency Coding I

- Coding the stripes over color
  - RGB-Image → Hue, Saturation, Intensity – HSI-Colorspace
  - → Use the Hue value
  
- Hue value indexed in lookup table on stripe number
  
- Requirement:
  - Maximum of many color values, however, in the picture can be clearly distinguished → no rainbow pattern
  - Projection via flash light source → High contrast, influences of the object texture
  - Example: Minolta 3D 1500



# Frequency Coding II



# Frequency Coding III

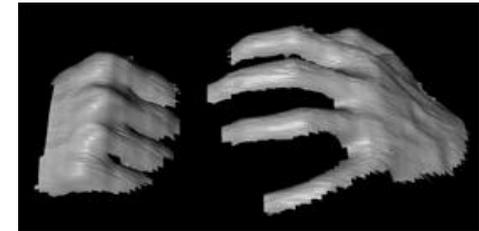
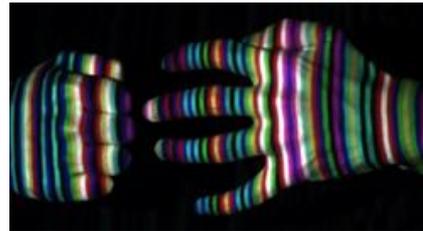
## ■ Advantages

- A single image is taken
- Therefore suitable for dynamic scenes
- Fast

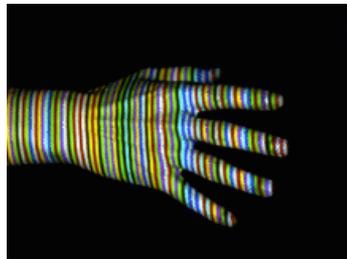
## ■ Disadvantage

- Prefers homogeneous surface
- White or color calibration with respect to known material
- Resolution limited by virtually distinguishable colors

## More Complex Procedures



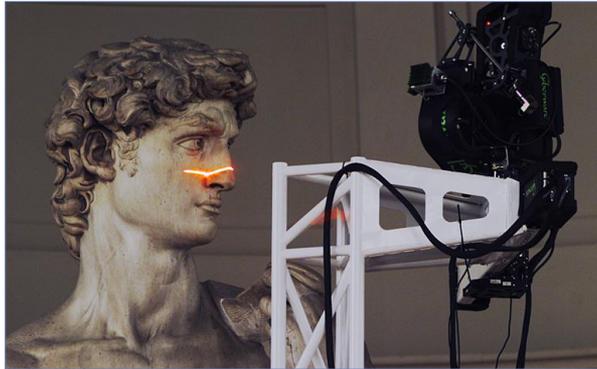
Works despite complex appearances



Works in real-time and on dynamic scenes

- Need only a few pictures (1 oder 2)
- But requires a more complex correspondence algorithm

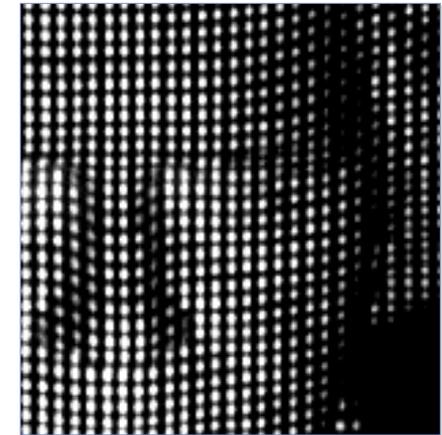
# Summary: Active Pattern Projection



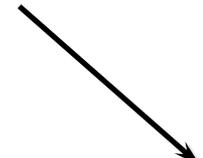
Single beam



Several beams  
Multiple frames



Single frame



Slow, robust

Fast, fragile

# Literature

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  - Book of Pedram Azad chap. 2.10
- Pattern Projection
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