

Course overview

- Tasks:
 - Scan an object (of your choice) with our Structured Light Scanner (Aicon Primescan)
 - Create a Structure from Motion model of the same object by taking photos and processing them with a suitable software
 - Compare the results
- Team size:
 - 2-3 students
 - I Object per student





3D Scanning (postponed indefinitely)

- Structured Light scanner
 - In our lab
- 1 object per student
 - Bring your own object
- Tasks
 - Scan objects in lab (under supervision)
 - Noise removal, registration and merging
 - \rightarrow Waterproof 3D Model
 - Evaluation







Structure from Motion (the perfect quarantine activity! ^(C))

- Take suitable pictures (see next slide)
- Create 3D model with SfM software, e.g.
 - VisualSFM: open source, very basic
 - Agisoft Metashape (formerly *Photoscan*): commercial, lots of nice features, 30 days full trial available
 - ..but you can also try something else. (look here for example: https://m.all3dp.com/1/best-photogrammetry-software/)
- Export model and refine it in Geomagic (noise removal etc)
- Waterproof 3D model only required for Grade 1 ;)
- Evaluation: compare result to scanned object



Tips for taking pictures

- If possible, use a proper camera (DSLR, mirrorless) rather than a phone (image sensors is where size does matter!)
- Your object must be sharp in every photo! Double check!
 - Use a small aperture (e.g. f20) for high Depth of Field
 - Use a tripod (small aperture → long exposure)
- Move around the object at constant height and distance in ~10°-steps; do several rounds from different heights.
- Make raw images and convert them to lossless format (TIFF/PNG) (Unfortunately, VisualSfM only supports jpg..)
- If your object has little texture, put it onto something textured (e.g. newspaper), that helps with finding the camera parameters
- Put a ruler/grid in the scene! So you can correctly scale your object afterwards.
- Watch this video, for photogrammetry basics and practical tips:
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D7Torjkfec4



Example





The Object: make a wise choice!

- Choose an object which you can access througout the whole term
- Size: apple pinapple ^(C)
- Ideally waterproof (for volume measurement)
- Rigid, matte surface, moderately textured, medium complexity
- ...more detailled dos's and dont's on the next slides





Don'ts



Shiny even specular plastic can be problematic



Transparent/translucent



High contrast texture → bad for structured light scanner



High contrast texture \rightarrow bad for SfM (no unique feature points)



Too complex lots of work



Too simple / symmetric a) boring b) problematic ambiguities



deformable



Viruses (smaller than apples)



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Dos







"natural" materials usually work best









Ducks were very popular in previous semesters.. Please don't..





Post-Processing: Geomagic Wrap

- Professional 3D editing software
 - Registration, noise removal, hole filling etc.
 - Validation
- Installed on Pong Lab PCs



- As you will geomagic for processing of the Scanner-Models as well, we don't recommend you to activate your trial on your PC yet (as we don't know when we can start with the scanning..)
- Setting up a virtual machine and activating your trial there could be a solution, if you can't wait to start ⁽²⁾
- Also, lab PCs with Geomagic isntalled will be available once TU is open again..



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Laboratory Sessions @ Pong Lab

- Starting in May, see TISS for dates (given TU is open by then)
- Not mandatory
- You can use those sessions to do your processing, while a tutor is there to answer your questions / help you with your problems
- From the start of the lab sessions, you can work at the lab any time (when it is not occupied by another lecture)
- Once your accounts are ready, we will let you know via TISS



Documentation

2-4 pages per student

- Show your results
- Write about the lessons learned when scanning and processing your object
- Evaluate & compare results from scanner & SfM (see next slide)
- (Do not explain how the scanner works..)
- You can find an example report on the LVA Website



Evaluation

- Take measurements on real object and compare them to measurements on the digital objects (scanner model and SfM model)
- >=3 lengths
- Volume
 - Measure the amount of Water displaced by your object!
 - Sand works as well (if your object can't get wet)









Presentation

- Length
 - 5-7 minutes per group
 - Maximally 12 slides per group (including title page)
- Content
 - Short summary of your report
 - Point out troubles when modelling your object
 - Give a short evaluation (compare models & physical objects)



Submission

- You must submit:
 - Finished Scanner Model
 - Finished SfM Model
 - Written Report
- Please don't submit intermediate results, input pictures, etc..
- Create a zip archive following this structure:
 - Group[xx]
 - Group[xx]_report.pdf
 - [Member 1]
 - [object name]_scanner.[wrp, obj, stl,..]
 - [object name]_sfm.[wrp, obj, stl,..]
 - [Member 2]
- Give us the zip file directly at the presentation session, or send it via wetransfer, dropbox, etc.



Schedule

- 3D scanning we don't know when
 - At the institute (HA 0420, Favoritenstraße 9)
- Tutorium May June (see TISS)
 - Pong Room (HG EG15, Favoritenstraße 9)
 - Monday 12:00 14:00
 - Thursday 10:00 12:00
- Deadlines
 - Presentation

End of Semester (TBA)

Final Model & Documentation same day as the presentation



Registration is now open. Please register for the course via TISS.

For any questions, please contact:

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thank you