

# Efficient Large-Scale Stereo Matching

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$$|\Delta z| \approx \frac{z^2}{f \cdot b} |\Delta d|$$

distance error      focal length      baseline      disparity error

## Local Methods

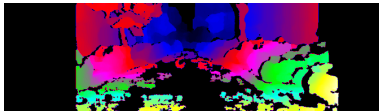
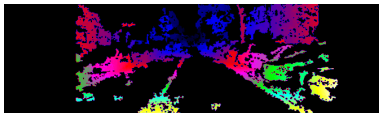
- Winner-takes-All

## Examples

- Block matching (Scharstein 02)
- Adaptive windows (Kanade 94, Yoon 06)
- Plane-sweep (Collins 96, Gallup 07)

## Problems

- Small matching ratios
- Border bleeding





## Global Methods

- Minimize 1D/2D energy  $E(d) = E_{\text{data}}(d) + \lambda E_{\text{smooth}}(d)$

### Examples

- Graph cuts, Belief propagation  
(Kolmogorov 02, Felzenszwalb 06)
- Variational methods  
(Pock 07, Zach 09)
- Fusion moves  
(Woodford 08, Bleyer 10)



### Problems

- Computational and memory requirements
- Pairwise potentials can not model planarity

## Seed-and-Grow Methods

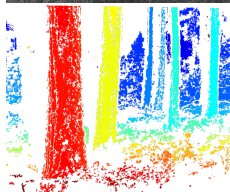
- Grow disparity components from random seeds

### Examples

- (Cech 07)
- (Sara 03)

### Problems

- Slanted/textureless surfaces
- No dense disparity maps



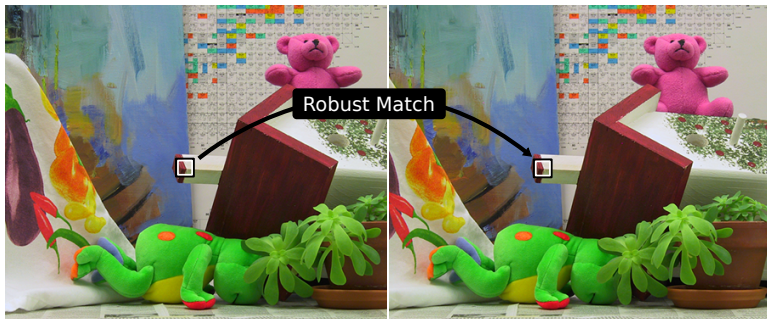
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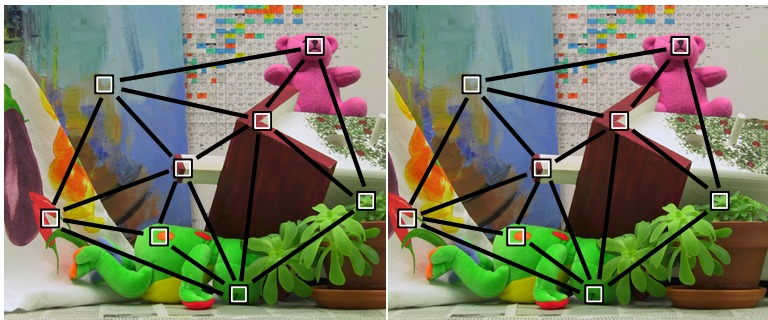
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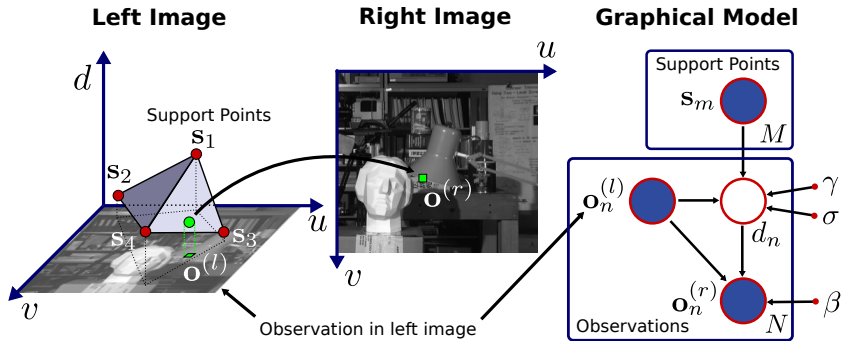
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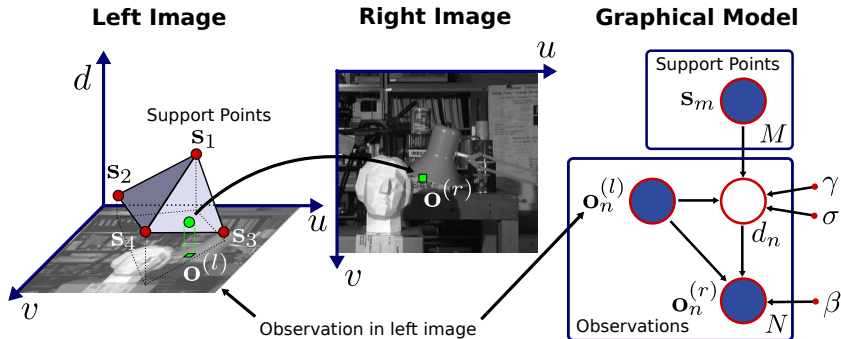
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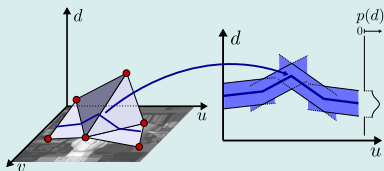
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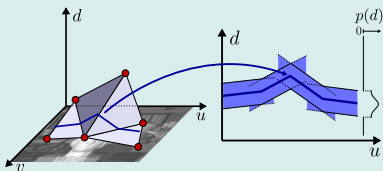


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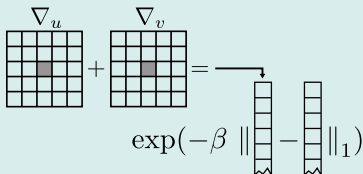
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$$\nabla_u + \nabla_v = \exp(-\beta \| \cdot \|_1)$$

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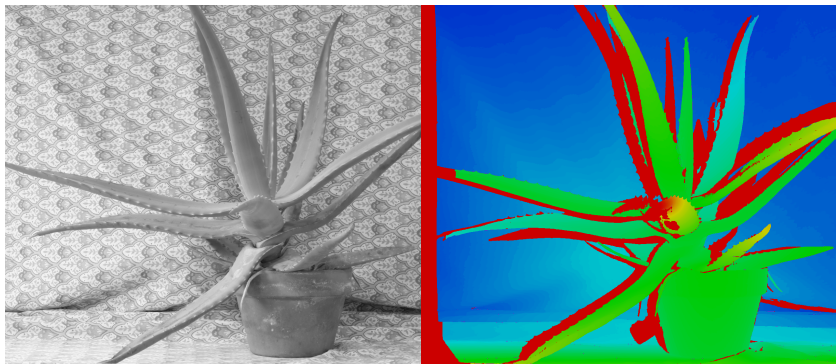
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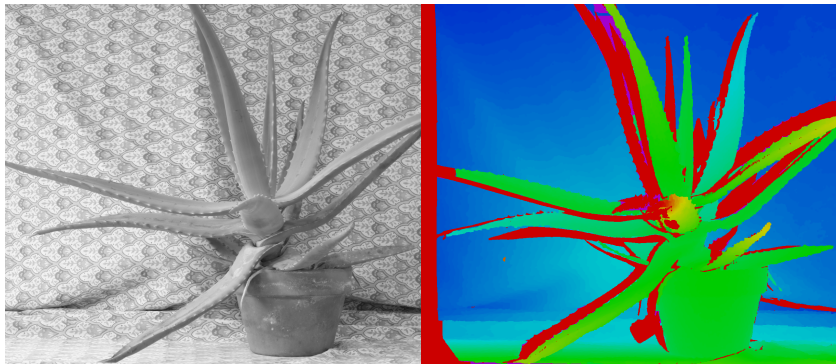
900 x 750 pixels, 0.4 seconds

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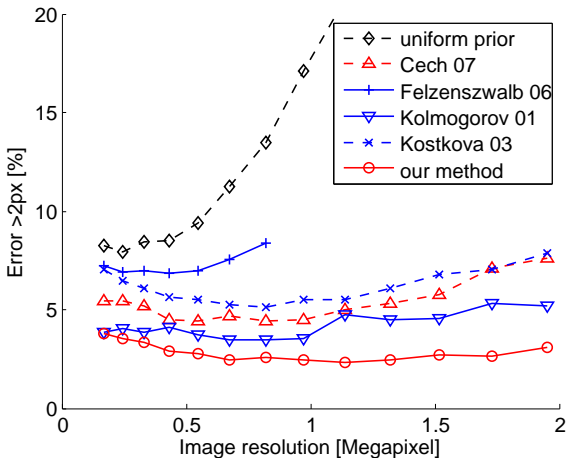
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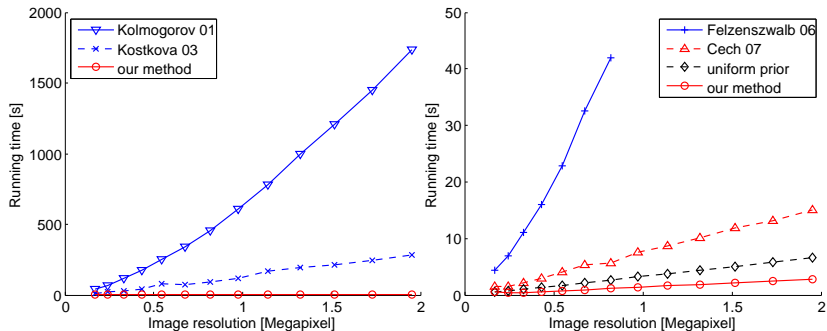


1300 x 1100 pixels, 1 second

# Accuracy (on cones image pair)



# Running times (on cones image pair)



[For more details see: Geiger et al., ACCV 2010]

# 3D Reconstruction: Brussels



2 seconds

[<http://cvlab.epfl.ch/data/strechamvs/>]



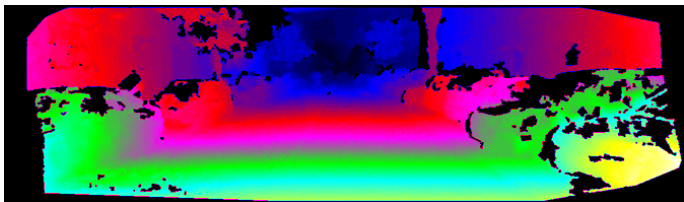
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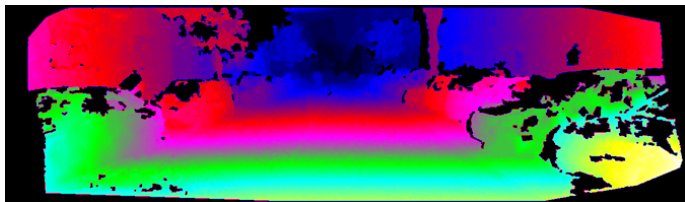
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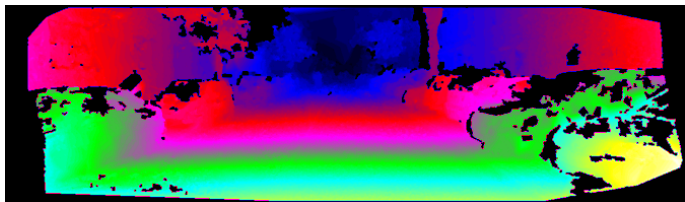
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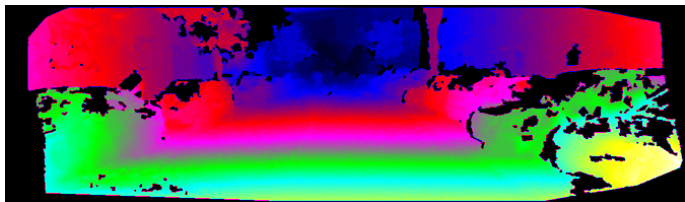
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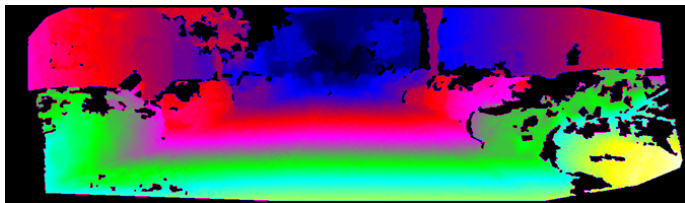
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