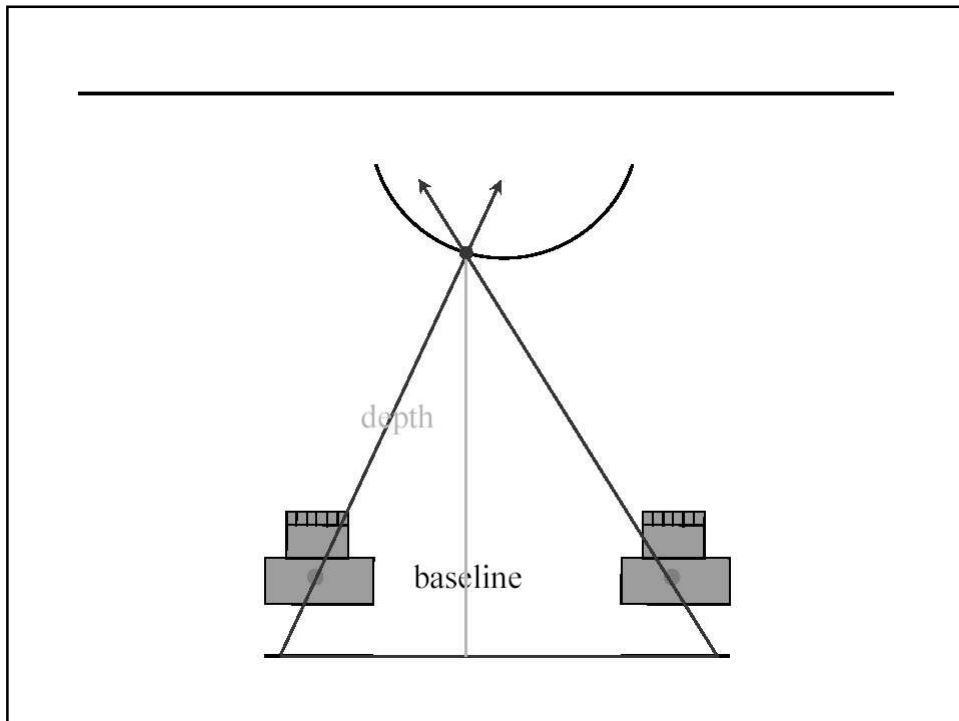


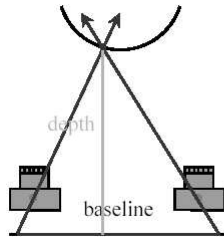
# Stereopsis

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## Reconstruction

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*Triangulate on two images of the same point to recover depth.*

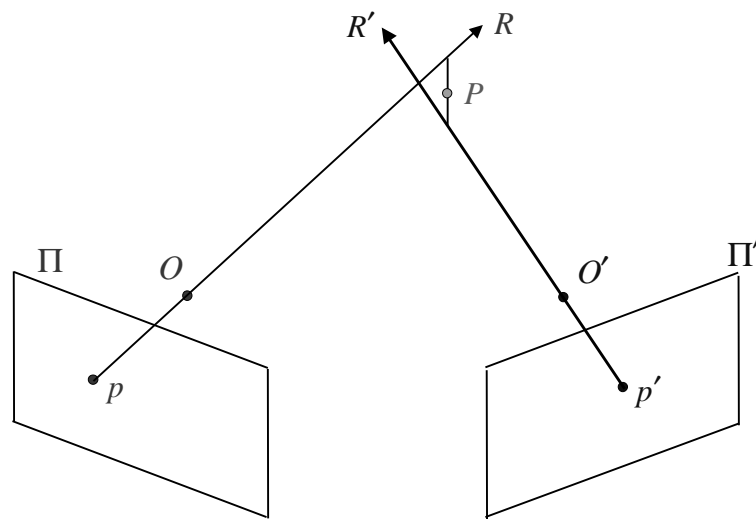
- Feature matching across views
- Calibrated cameras



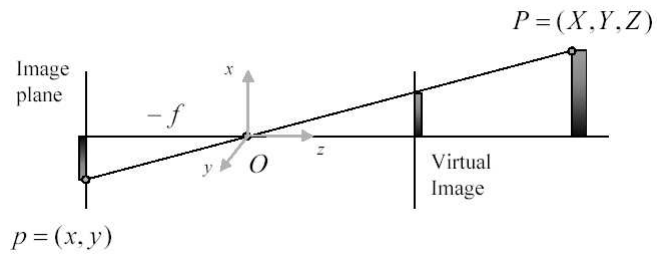
Only need to match features across epipolar lines

## Geometric Reconstruction

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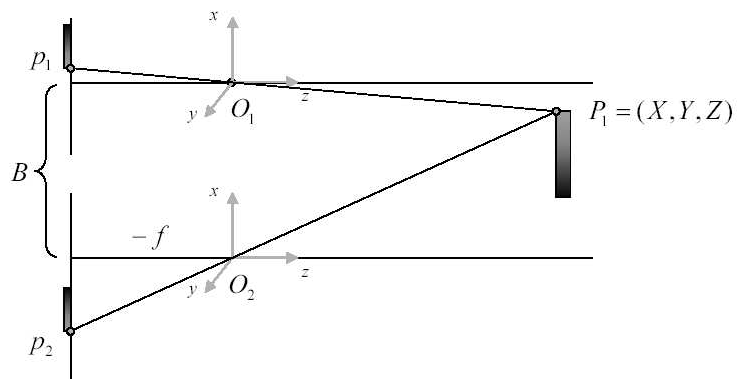


## Pinhole Camera Model



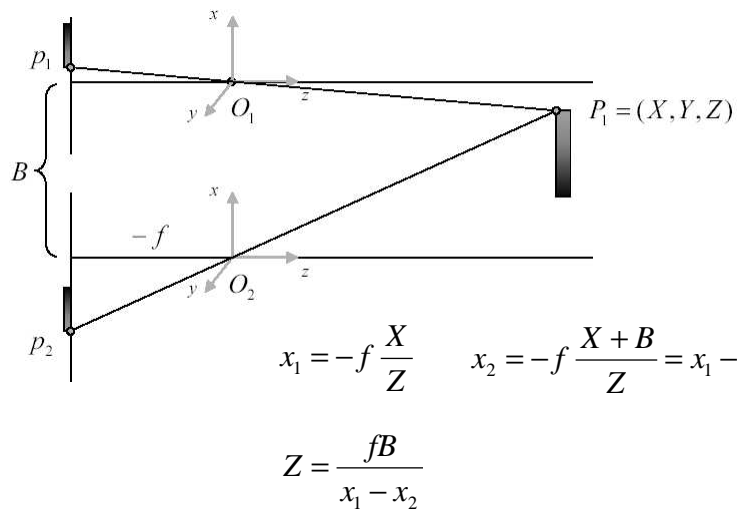
$$x = -f \frac{X}{Z}$$

## Basic Stereo Derivations

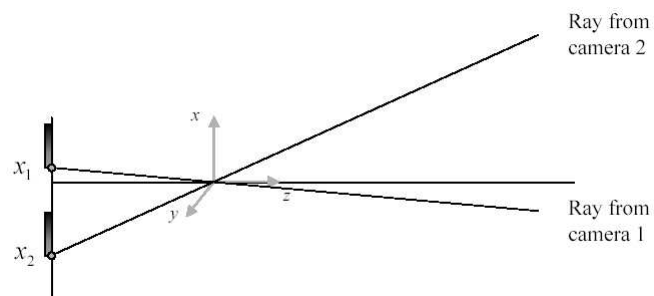


Derive expression for  $Z$  as a function of  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ ,  $f$  and  $B$

## Basic Stereo Derivations



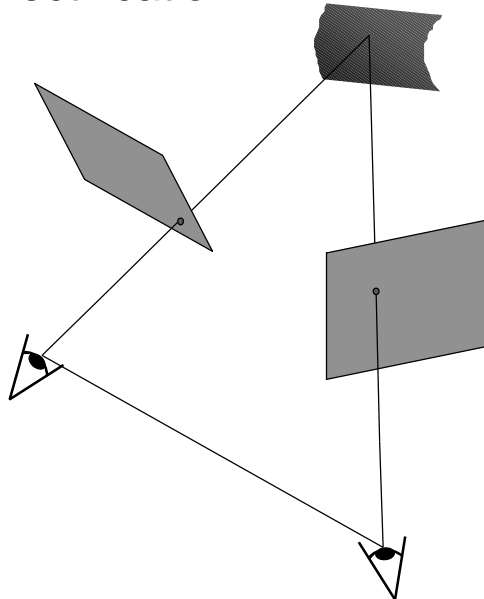
## Basic Stereo Derivations



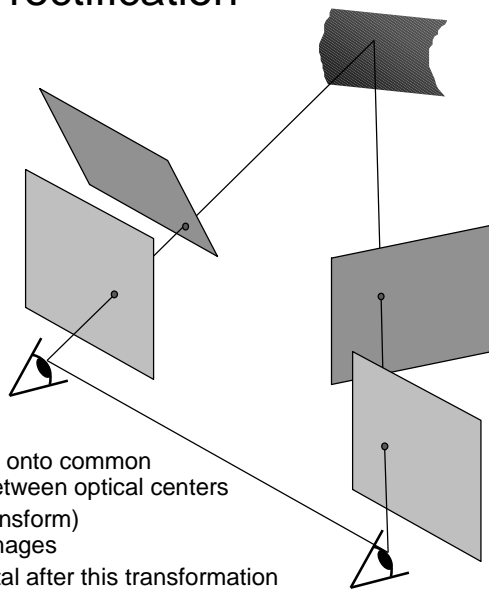
Define the disparity:  $d = x_1 - x_2$

$$Z = \frac{fB}{d}$$

## Stereo image rectification



## Stereo image rectification

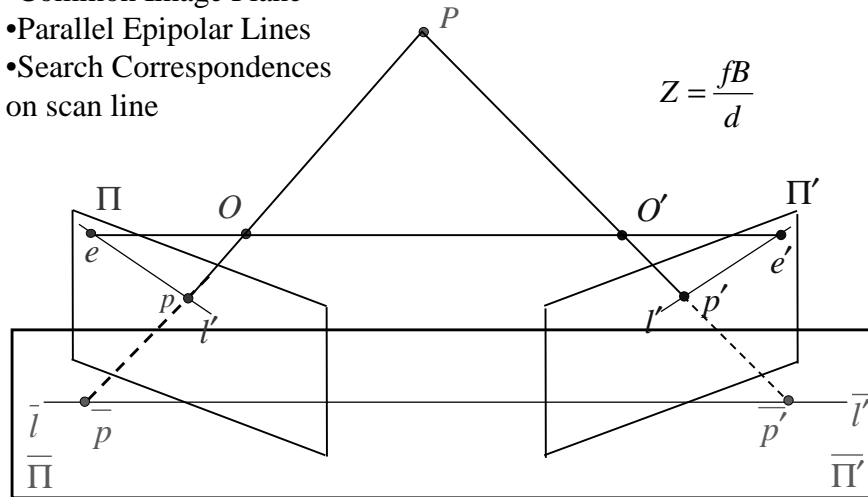


### Image Reprojection

- reproject image planes onto common plane parallel to line between optical centers
- a homography (3x3 transform) applied to both input images
- pixel motion is horizontal after this transformation
- C. Loop and Z. Zhang. Computing Rectifying Homographies for Stereo Vision. IEEE Conf. Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, 1999.

## Image Rectification

- Common Image Plane
- Parallel Epipolar Lines
- Search Correspondences on scan line



## Reconstruction

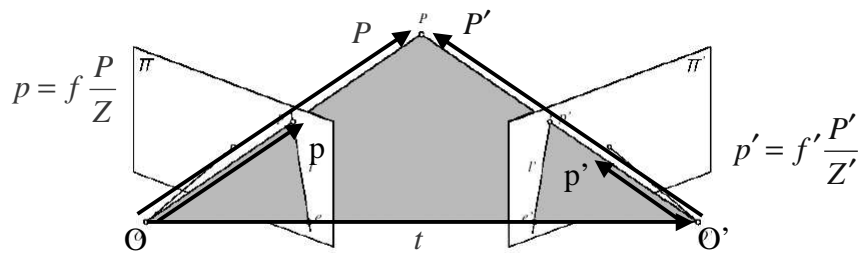


FIGURE 11.1: Epipolar geometry: the point  $P$ , the optical centers  $O$  and  $O'$  of the two cameras, and the two images  $p$  and  $p'$  of  $P$  all lie in the same plane.

$$P = RP' + t$$

$$P' = R^{-1}(P - t) = R^T(P - t)$$

## Reconstruction

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$$p' = f' \frac{P'}{Z'}$$

$$P' = R^T (P - t) = R'(P - t)$$

$$R' = \begin{bmatrix} R_1'^T \\ R_2'^T \\ R_3'^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p' = f' \frac{R'(P - t)}{R_3'^T (P - t)}$$

$$x' = f' \frac{R_1'^T (P - t)}{R_3'^T (P - t)} \quad \text{Equation 1}$$

$$p = f \frac{P}{Z} \Rightarrow P = \frac{pZ}{f} \quad \text{Equation 2}$$

$$Z = f \frac{(x'R_3' - fR_1')^T t}{(x'R_3' - fR_1')^T p} \quad \text{(From equations 1 and 2)}$$

## Reconstruction up to a Scale Factor

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- Assume that intrinsic parameters of both cameras are known
- Essential Matrix is known up to a scale factor (for example, estimated from the 8 point algorithm).

## Reconstruction up to a Scale Factor

$$\mathcal{E} = k[t_x]R$$

$$\mathcal{E}\mathcal{E}^T = k^2[t_x]RR^T[t_x]^T = k^2[t_x][t_x]^T = \begin{bmatrix} k^2(T_Y^2 + T_Z^2) & -k^2T_XT_Y & -k^2T_XT_Z \\ -k^2T_XT_Y & k^2(T_X^2 + T_Z^2) & -k^2T_YT_Z \\ -k^2T_XT_Z & -k^2T_YT_Z & k^2(T_X^2 + T_Y^2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Trace}[\mathcal{E}\mathcal{E}^T] = 2k^2(T_X^2 + T_Y^2 + T_Z^2) = 2k^2\|t\|^2$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}}{\|k\|\|t\|} = \text{sgn}(k) \frac{[t_x]}{\|t\|} R = \text{sgn}(k) \left[ \left( \frac{t}{\|t\|} \right)_x \right] R = \text{sgn}(k) [\hat{t}_x] R = \hat{E}$$

$$\hat{E}\hat{E}^T = [\hat{t}_x][\hat{t}_x]^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \hat{T}_X^2 & -\hat{T}_X\hat{T}_Y & -\hat{T}_X\hat{T}_Z \\ -\hat{T}_X\hat{T}_Y & 1 - \hat{T}_Y^2 & -\hat{T}_Y\hat{T}_Z \\ -\hat{T}_X\hat{T}_Z & -\hat{T}_Y\hat{T}_Z & 1 - \hat{T}_Z^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Reconstruction up to a Scale Factor

$$\hat{E} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{E}_1^T \\ \hat{E}_2^T \\ \hat{E}_3^T \end{bmatrix} \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} R_1^T \\ R_2^T \\ R_3^T \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $w_i = \hat{E}_i \times \hat{t}$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$

It can be proved that

$$R_1 = w_1 + w_2 \times w_3$$

$$R_2 = w_2 + w_3 \times w_1$$

$$R_3 = w_3 + w_1 \times w_2$$



## Reconstruction up to a Scale Factor

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We have two choices of  $\mathbf{t}$ , ( $\mathbf{t}^+$  and  $\mathbf{t}^-$ ) because of sign ambiguity and two choices of  $\mathbf{E}$ , ( $\mathbf{E}^+$  and  $\mathbf{E}^-$ ).

This gives us four pairs of translation vectors and rotation matrices.

## Reconstruction up to a Scale Factor

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Given  $\hat{\mathbf{E}}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{t}}$

1. Construct the vectors  $\mathbf{w}$ , and compute  $\mathbf{R}$
2. Reconstruct the  $\mathbf{Z}$  and  $\mathbf{Z}'$  for each point
3. If the signs of  $\mathbf{Z}$  and  $\mathbf{Z}'$  of the reconstructed points are
  - a) both negative for some point, change the sign of  $\hat{\mathbf{t}}$  and go to step 2.
  - b) different for some point, change the sign of each entry of  $\hat{\mathbf{E}}$  and go to step 1.
  - c) both positive for all points, exit.

$$\mathbf{Z} = f \frac{(x'R'_3 - f'R'_1)^T t}{(x'R'_3 - f'R'_1)^T p}$$

$$\mathbf{Z}' = -f' \frac{(xR_3 - fR_1)^T (t)}{(xR_3 - fR_1)^T p'}$$

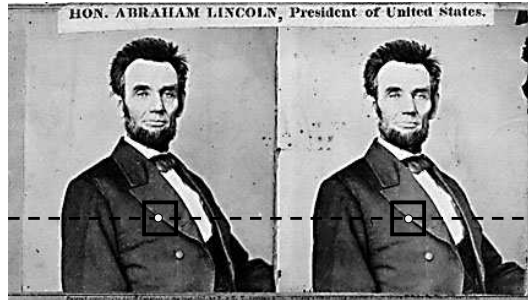
## Finding Correspondences

## Stereo matching algorithms

### Match Pixels in Conjugate Epipolar Lines

- Assume brightness constancy
- This is a tough problem
- Numerous approaches
  - dynamic programming [Baker 81,Ohta 85]
  - smoothness functionals
  - more images (trinocular, N-ocular) [Okutomi 93]
  - graph cuts [Boykov 00]
- A good survey and evaluation: <http://www.middlebury.edu/stereo/>

## Your basic stereo algorithm



For each epipolar line

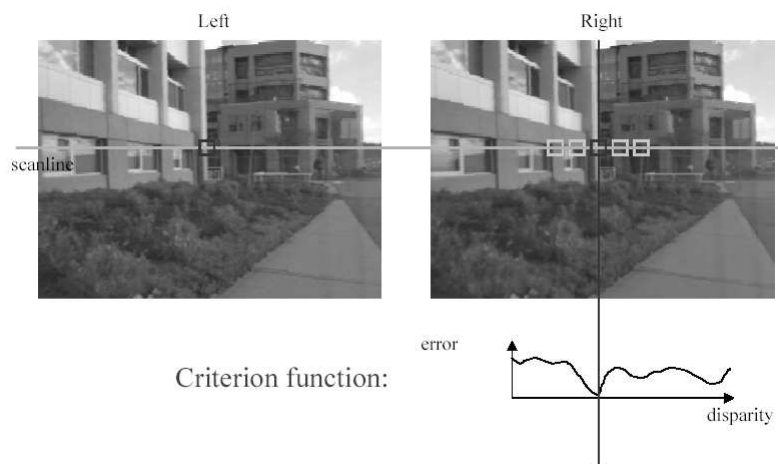
For each pixel in the left image

- compare with every pixel on same epipolar line in right image
- pick pixel with minimum match cost

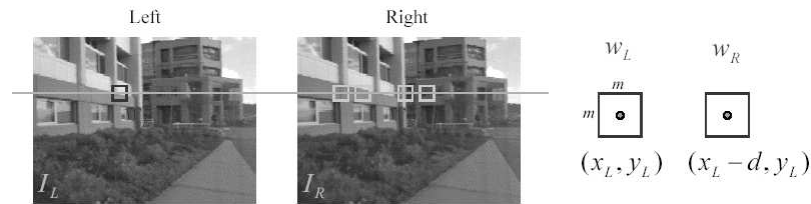
Improvement: match **windows**

- This should look familiar...
- Can use Lukas-Kanade or discrete search (latter more common)

## Correspondence using Discrete Search



## Sum of Squared Differences (SSD)



$w_L$  and  $w_R$  are corresponding  $m$  by  $m$  windows of pixels.

We define the window function :

$$W_m(x, y) = \{u, v \mid x - \frac{m}{2} \leq u \leq x + \frac{m}{2}, y - \frac{m}{2} \leq v \leq y + \frac{m}{2}\}$$

The SSD cost measures the intensity difference as a function of disparity :

$$C_r(x, y, d) = \sum_{(u,v) \in W_m(x,y)} [I_L(u, v) - I_R(u - d, v)]^2$$

## Image Normalization

- Even when the cameras are identical models, there can be differences in gain and sensitivity.
- The cameras do not see exactly the same surfaces, so their overall light levels can differ.
- For these reasons and more, it is a good idea to normalize the pixels in each window:

$$\bar{I} = \frac{1}{|W_m(x,y)|} \sum_{(u,v) \in W_m(x,y)} I(u, v) \quad \text{Average pixel}$$

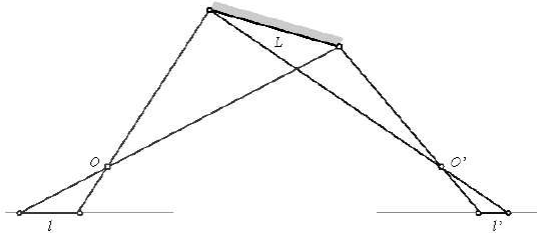
$$\|I\|_{W_m(x,y)} = \sqrt{\sum_{(u,v) \in W_m(x,y)} [I(u, v)]^2} \quad \text{Window magnitude}$$

$$\hat{I}(x, y) = \frac{I(x, y) - \bar{I}}{\|I - \bar{I}\|_{W_m(x,y)}} \quad \text{Normalized pixel}$$

## Foreshortening

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Window methods assume fronto-parallel surface at 3-D point.



Initial estimates of the disparity can be used to warp the correlation windows to compensate for unequal amounts of foreshortening in the two pictures [Kass, 1987; Devernay and Faugeras, 1994].

## Problems with window matching

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Patch too small?

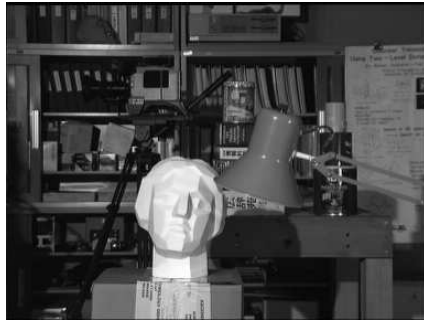
Patch too large?

*Can try variable patch size [Okutomi and Kanade],  
or arbitrary window shapes [Veksler and Zabih]*

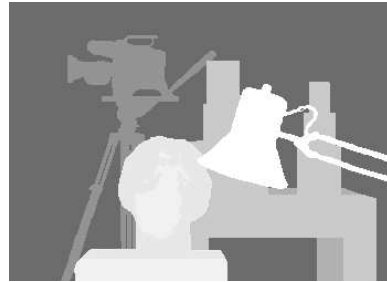
## Stereo results

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- Data from University of Tsukuba
- Similar results on other images without ground truth



Scene



Ground truth

## Results with window correlation

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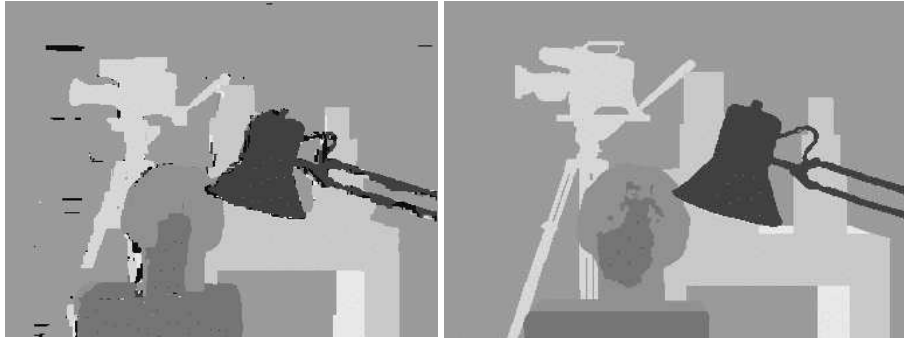
Window-based matching  
(best window size)



Ground truth

## Results with better method

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State of the art method

Ground truth

Boykov et al., Fast Approximate Energy Minimization via Graph Cuts,  
International Conference on Computer Vision, September 1999.

## Final Exam

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Thursday, April 24, 2003  
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