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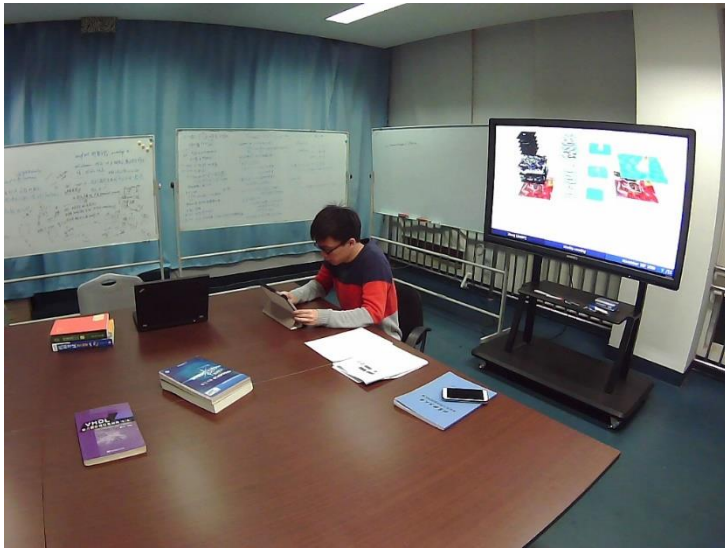
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Wide-Angle Image Stitching Using Multi-Homography Warping

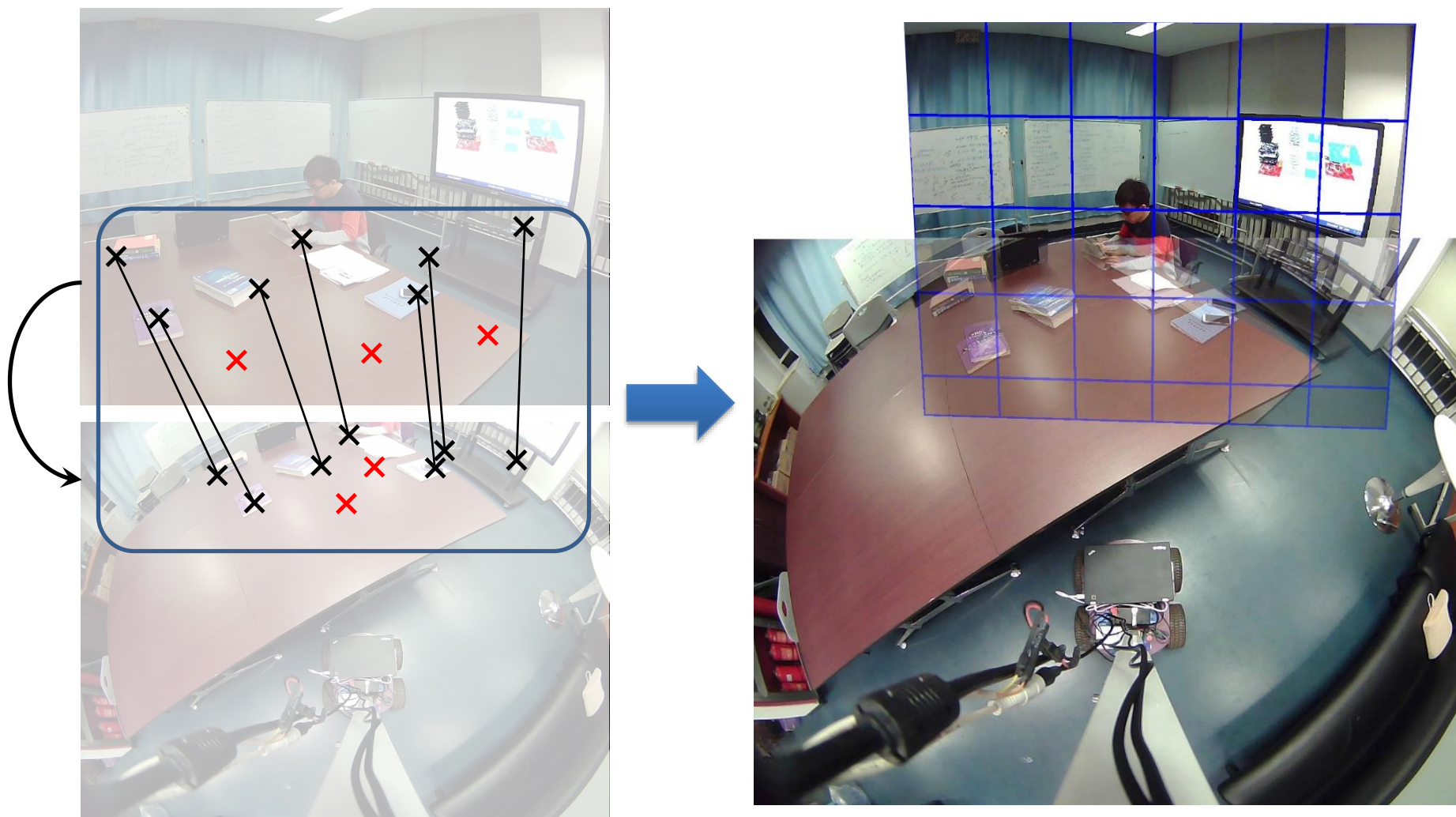
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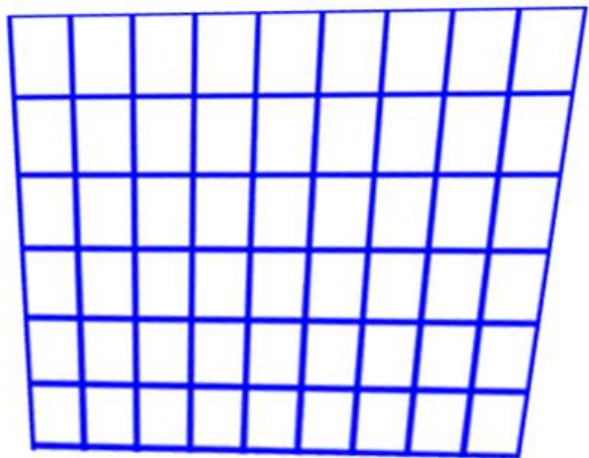
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Wide-angle image stitching



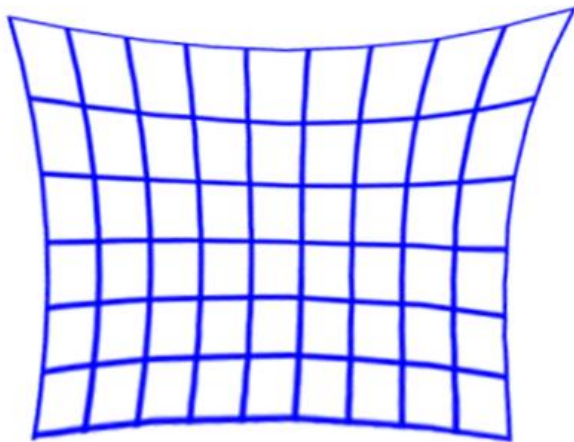
Projective transformation (Homography)





- Single global homography
Misalignment

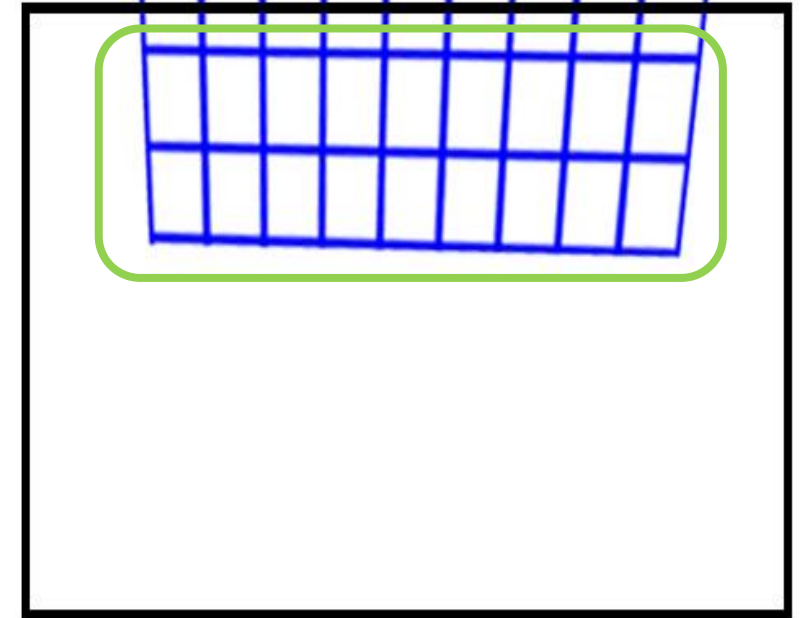
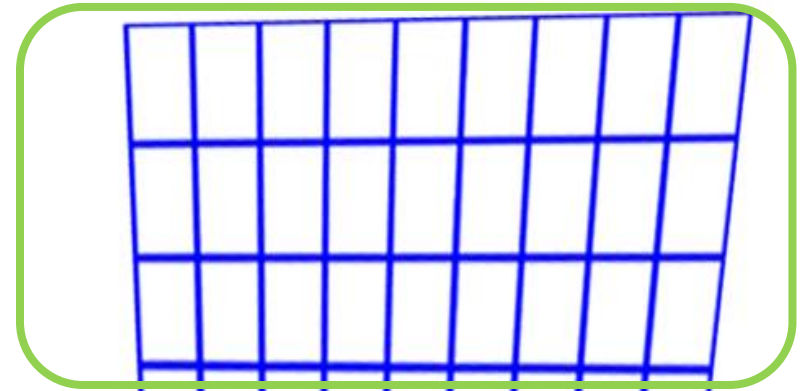
$$p' = H_g p$$

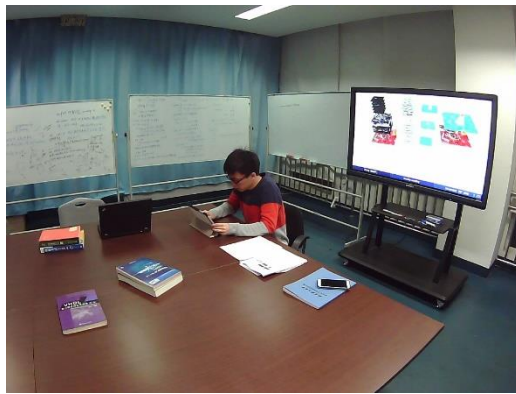


- Division model
Shape and area distortion

$$x' = x / (1 + \lambda ||x||^2)$$

- Globally similar
(SPHP Warp, Chang' 14)
(ANAP Warp, Lin' 15)
- Locally aligned
(APAP Warp, Zaragoza' 13)
(L-mDLT, Joo' 16)





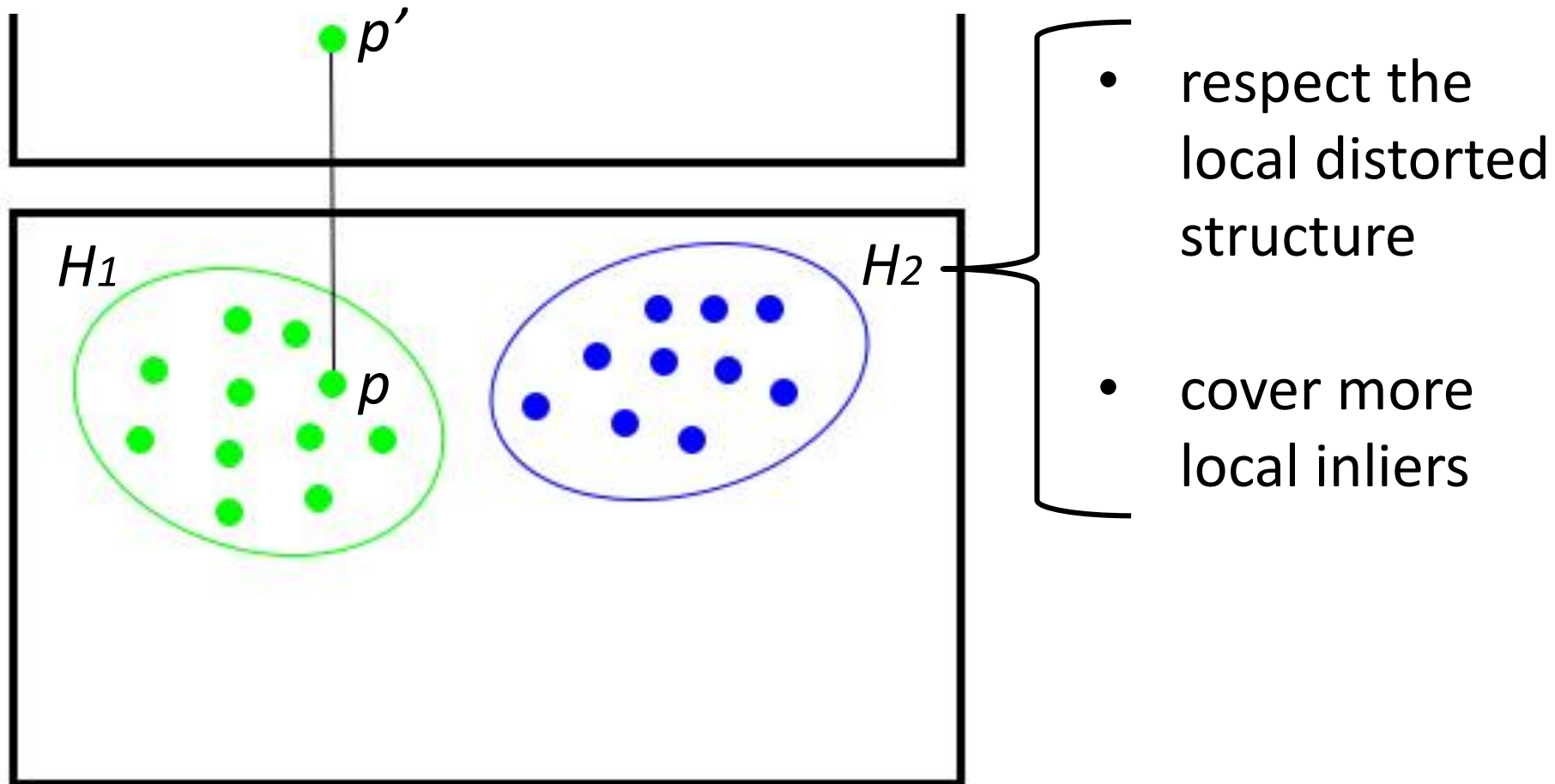
We propose a multi-homography warping, which integrates multiple **local homographies** with a **global homography** for **accurate alignment** and **shape preservation**.

Inlier selection



Inliers selected by **RANSAC**
(random sampling)

Key idea: random sampling \rightarrow conditional sampling



RANSAC: homography hypotheses $\{H_i\}_{i=1}^M$

- Based on Multi-GS [Chin' 12], we use **residual sorting** information to perform a **conditional sampling**.
 - The probability of two points arising from the same homography can be encoded by residual sorting.
- For $P_i = \{p_i, p'_i\}$, we rank the $\{H_i\}_{i=1}^M$ in terms of their residuals as

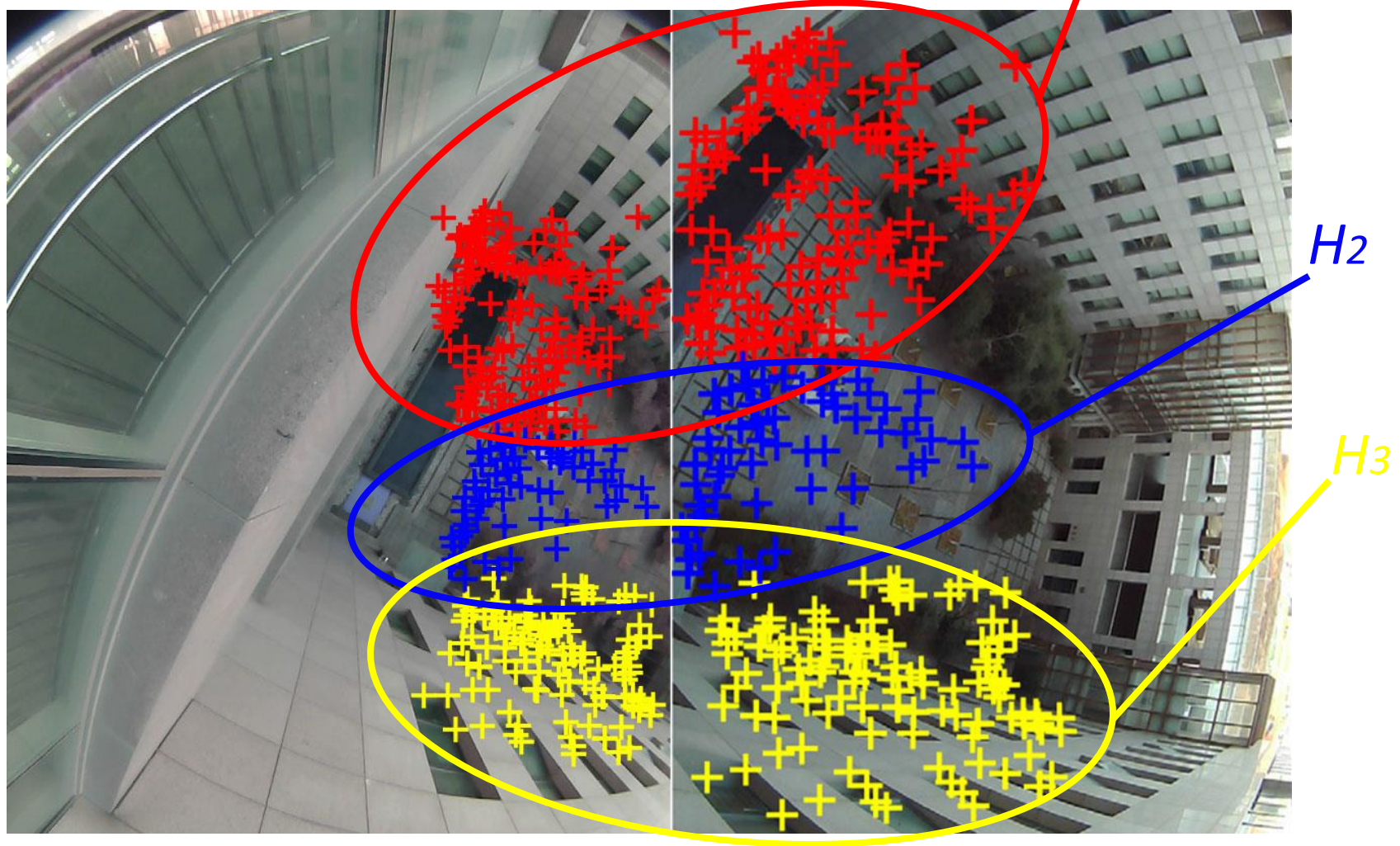
$$h^i = \{h_1, \dots, h_M\}$$

- If P_i has been chosen, the probability of choosing P_j as the next sample is

$$f(P_i, P_j) = \frac{1}{a} |h_{1:a}^i \cap h_{1:a}^j|$$

- New hypotheses can be generated by using conditional sampling.
- We find the optimal hypothesis with the largest number of inliers to select the local inliers, and repeat the above procedure.

Conditional sampling



- Global homography H_g .

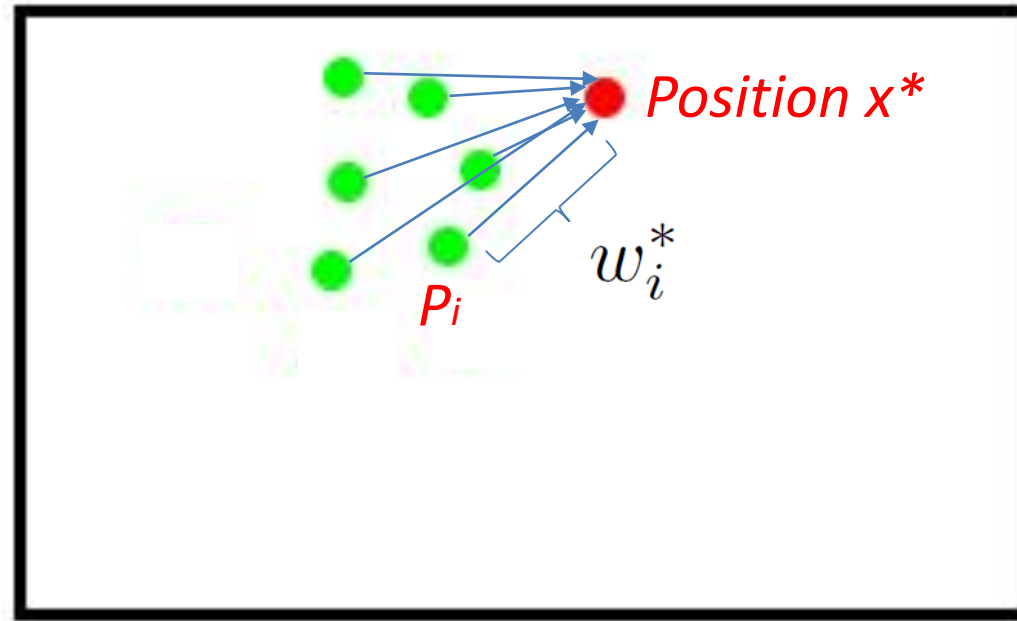
$$p' = H_g p \quad \rightarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \\ h_4 & h_5 & h_6 \\ h_7 & h_8 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Direct Linear Transformation (DLT)

$$0_{3 \times 1} = ah = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{1 \times 3} & -p^T & y'p^T \\ p^T & 0_{1 \times 3} & -x'p^T \\ -y'p^T & x'p^T & 0_{1 \times 3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{h} = \arg \min_h \sum_{i=1}^n ||a_i h||^2 = \arg \min_h ||Ah||^2$$

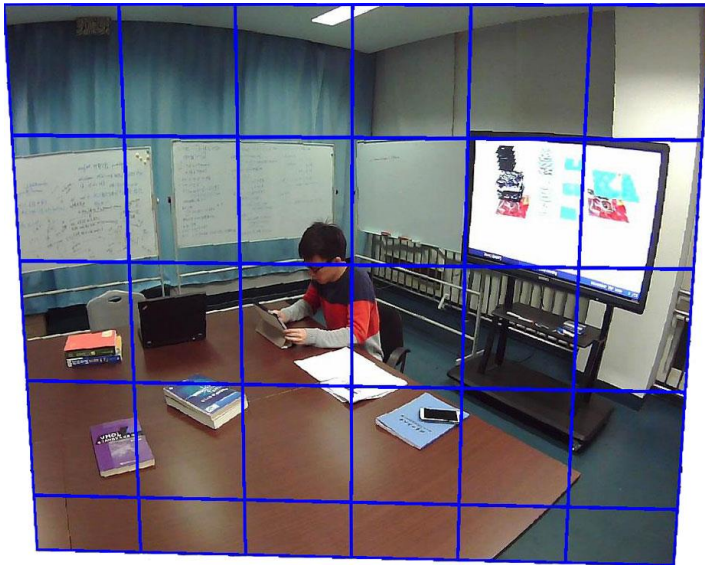
Moving DLT [Zaragoza' 13]



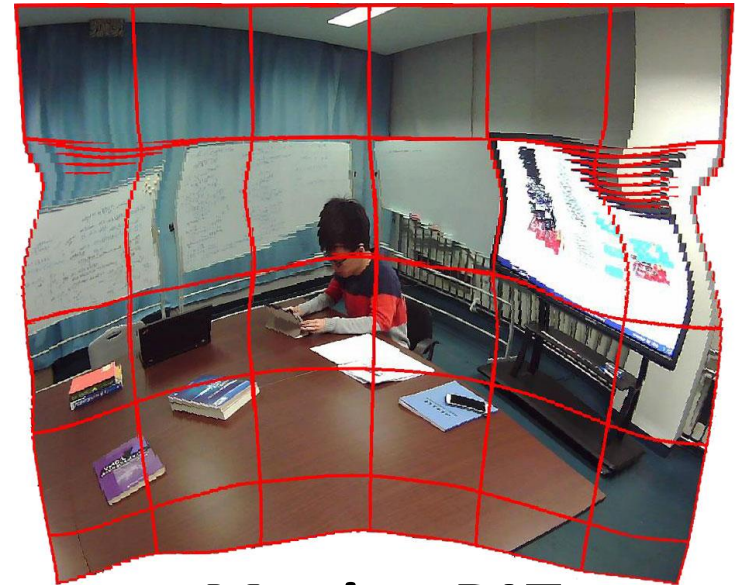
- Local homographies h^*

$$h^* = \arg \min_h \sum_{i=1}^N ||w_i^* a_i h||^2 = \arg \min_h ||W^* A h||^2$$

$$w_i^* = \max(\exp(-||x^* - p_i||^2 / \sigma^2), \gamma)$$



DLT



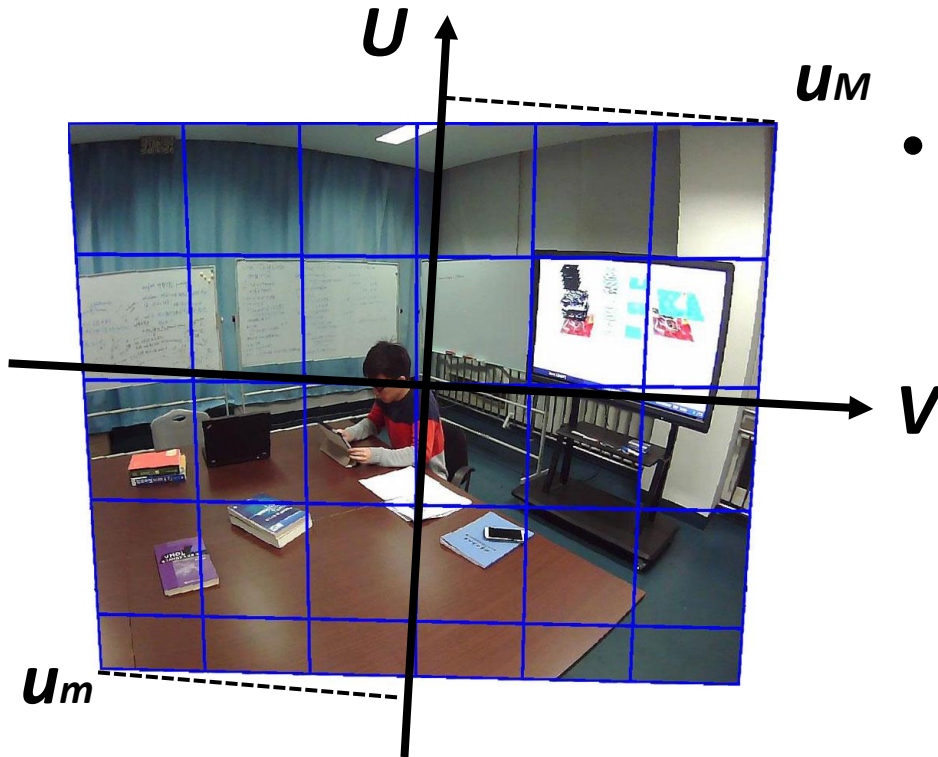
Moving DLT

Unnatural shape distortion

- We integrate the local h^* with global H_g as our **multi-homography warping**

$$H_m^* = w_l^* h^* + (1 - w_l^*) H_g$$

$$w_l^* = (u^* - u_m) / (u_M - u_m)$$

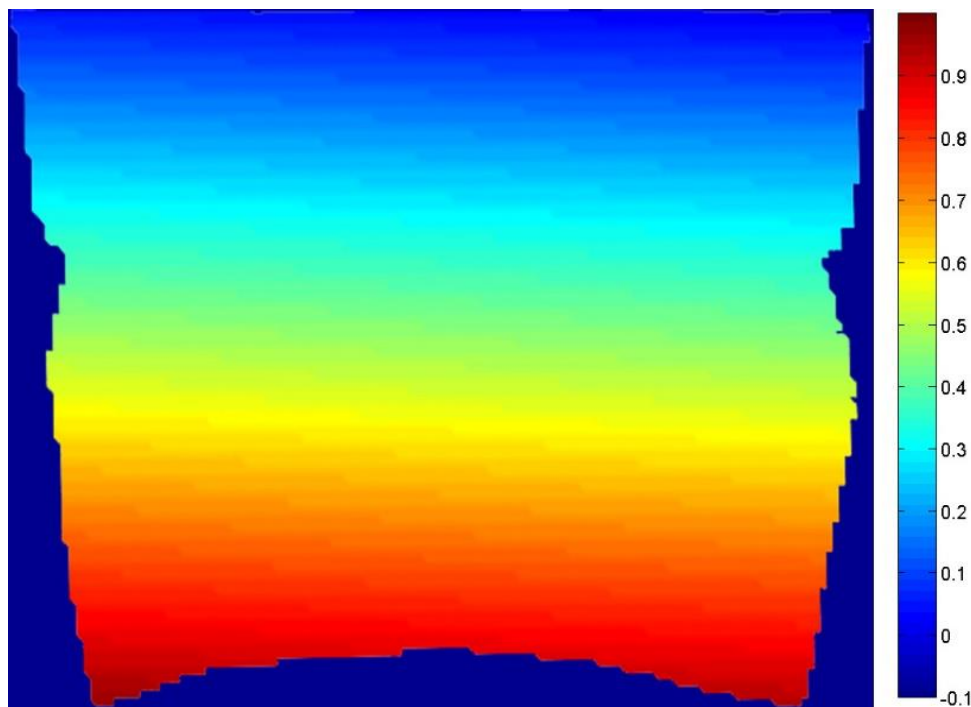


- A rotation of the original coordinate system of the image warped by H_g .

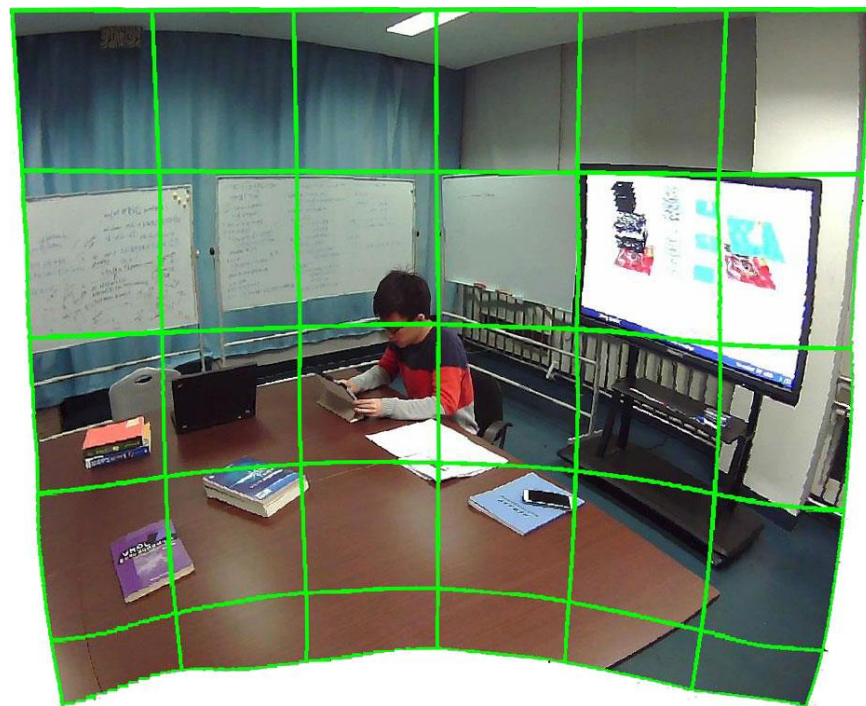
$$\theta = \text{atan2}(-h_8, -h_7)$$

(h_8, h_7 from H_g)

- Result



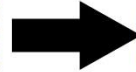
Weight map w_l^*



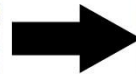
$$H_m^* = w_l^* h^* + (1 - w_l^*) H_g$$

- Two-view stitching

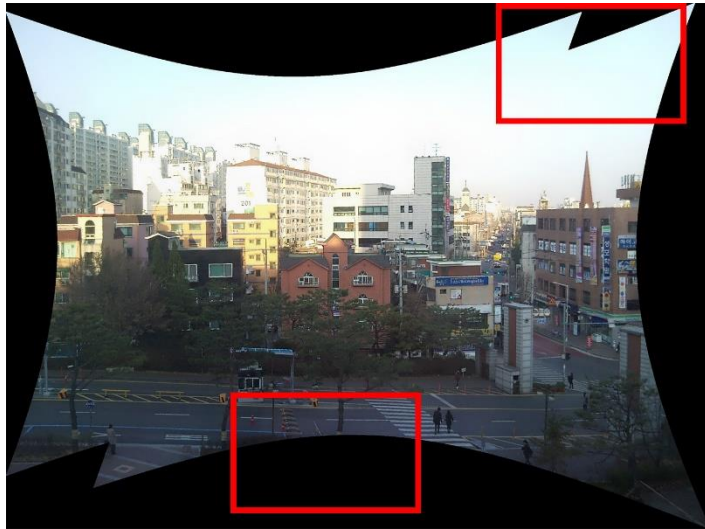
View 1



View 2



distortion factor $\lambda = -0.4$ [Ju' 13]



Ju' 13



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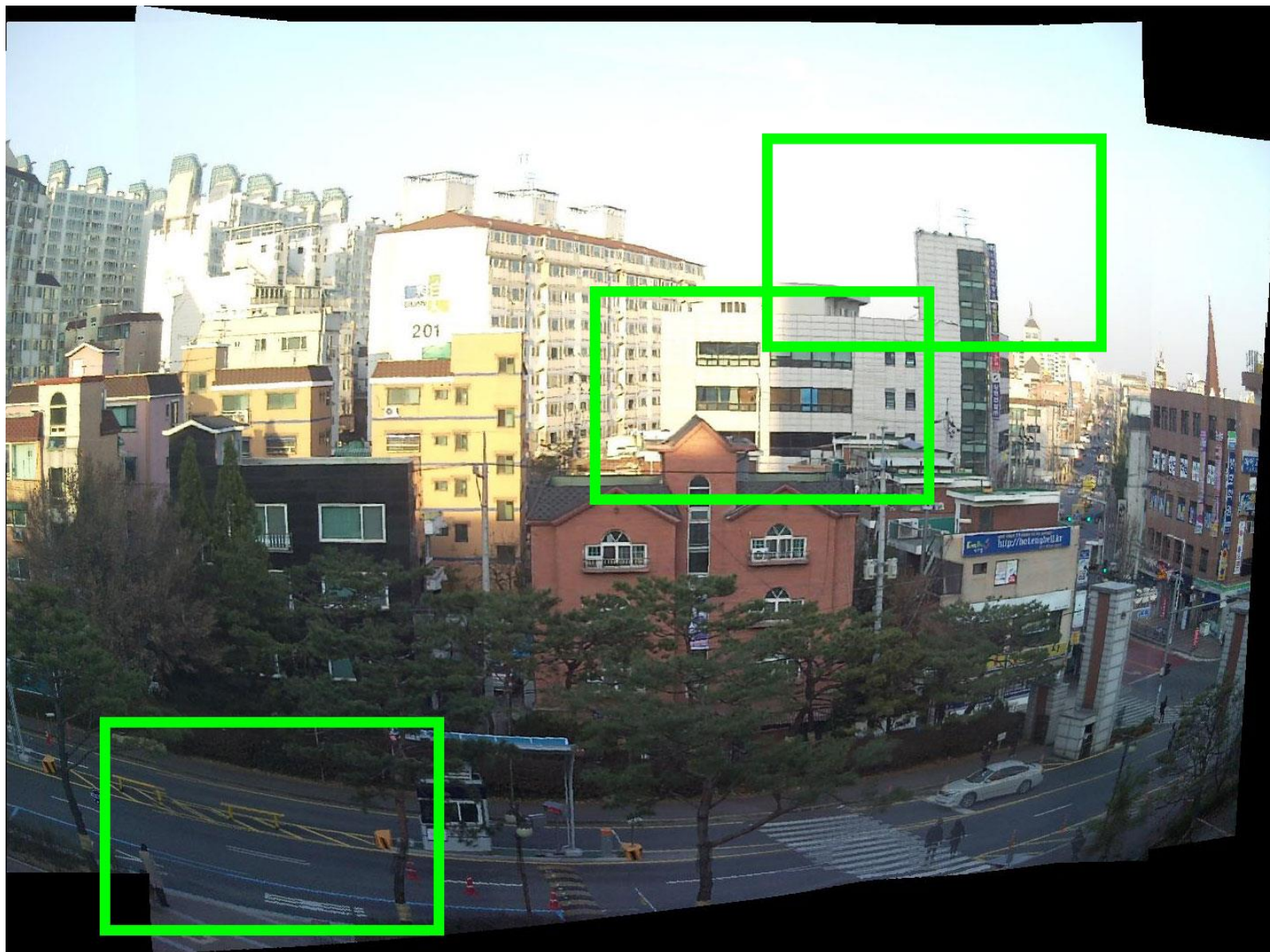




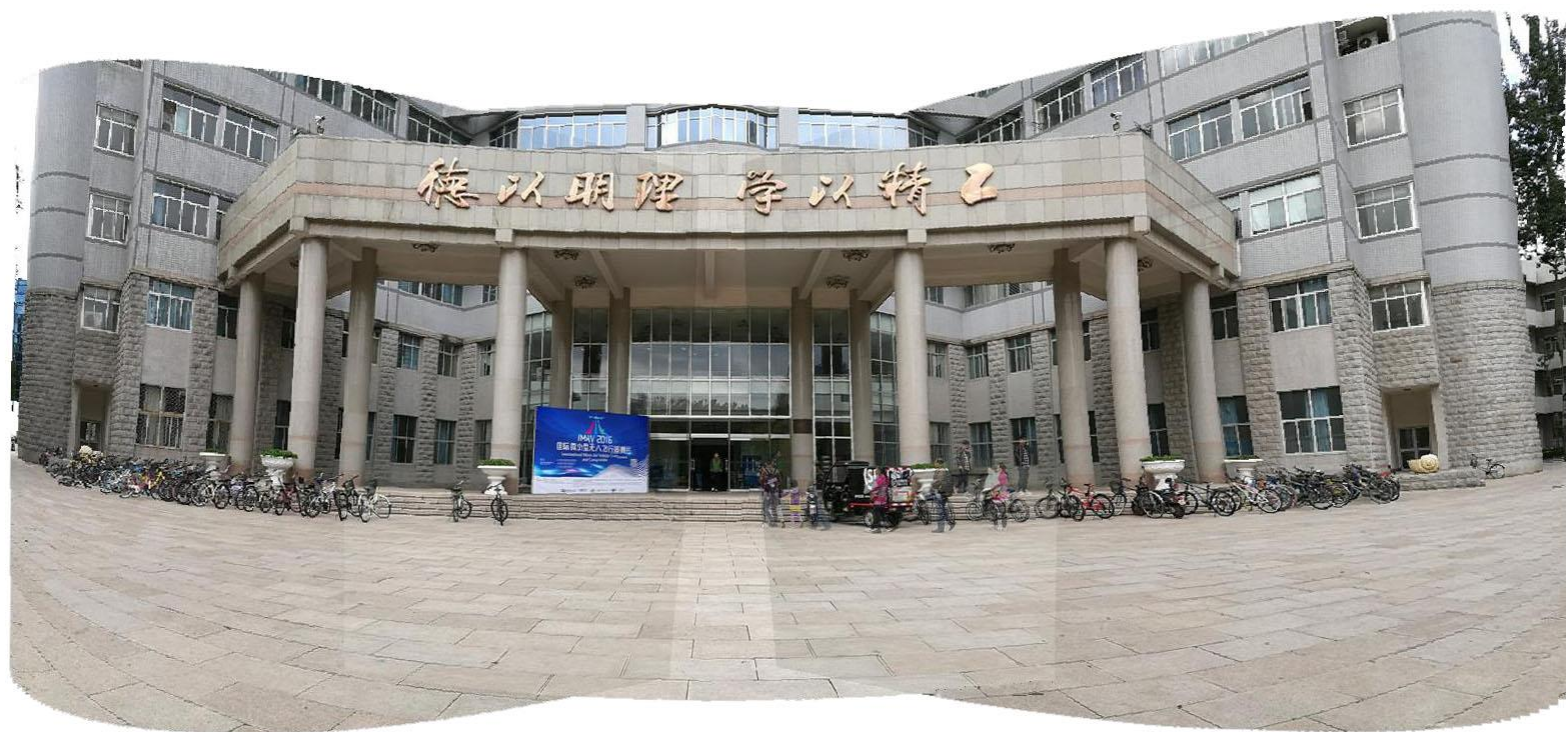
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