

Suppression of shock based errors with gravity related endoscopic image rectification

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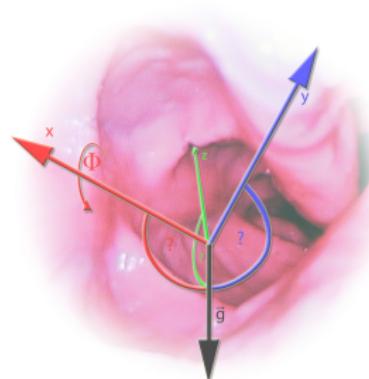
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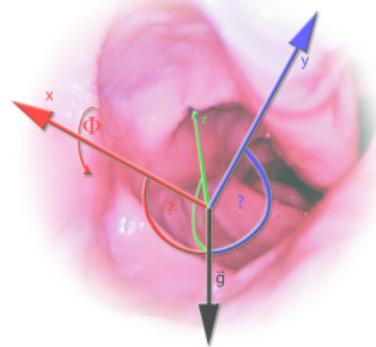
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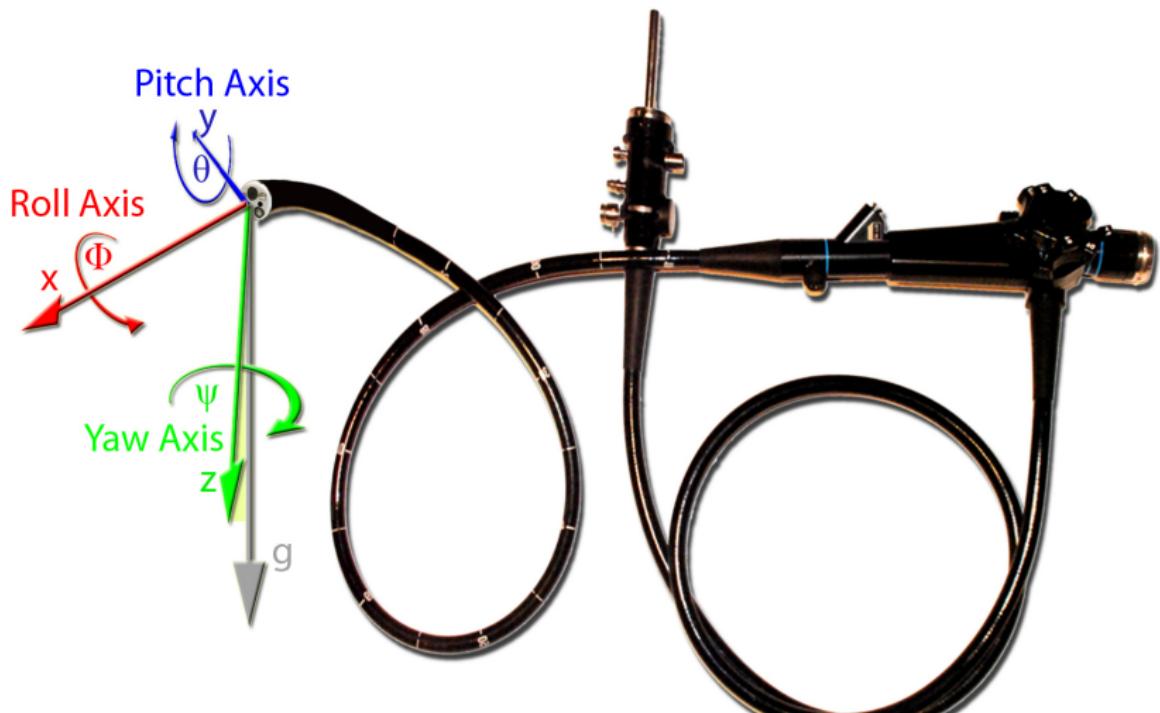
Problem of unknown image orientation with flexible endoscopy





Roll Pitch Yaw description

for endoscopic orientation





Evaluation prototype

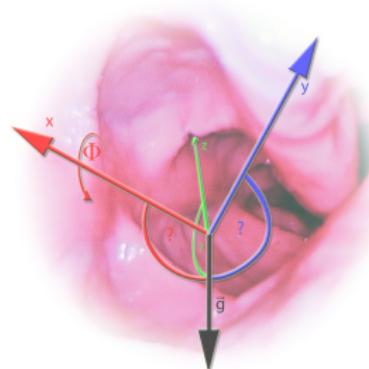
external sensor on endoscope's tip





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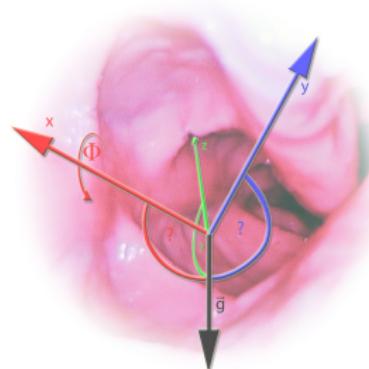
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Down sampling and peak filtering algorithm

Multiple sensor values during a single image frame



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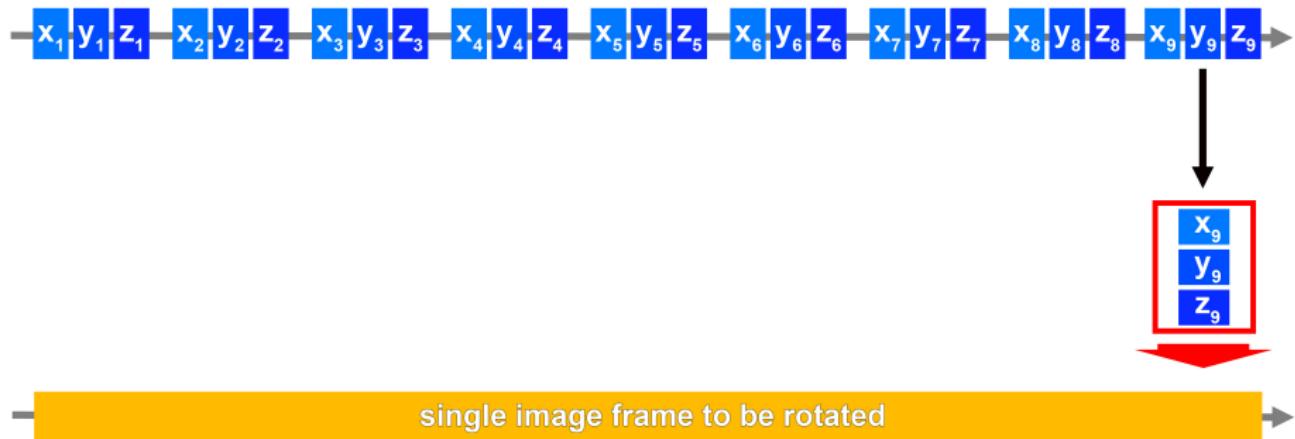


Down sampling:
Different possible approaches



Down sampling and peak filtering algorithm

Choose last triple value to rotate new image frame

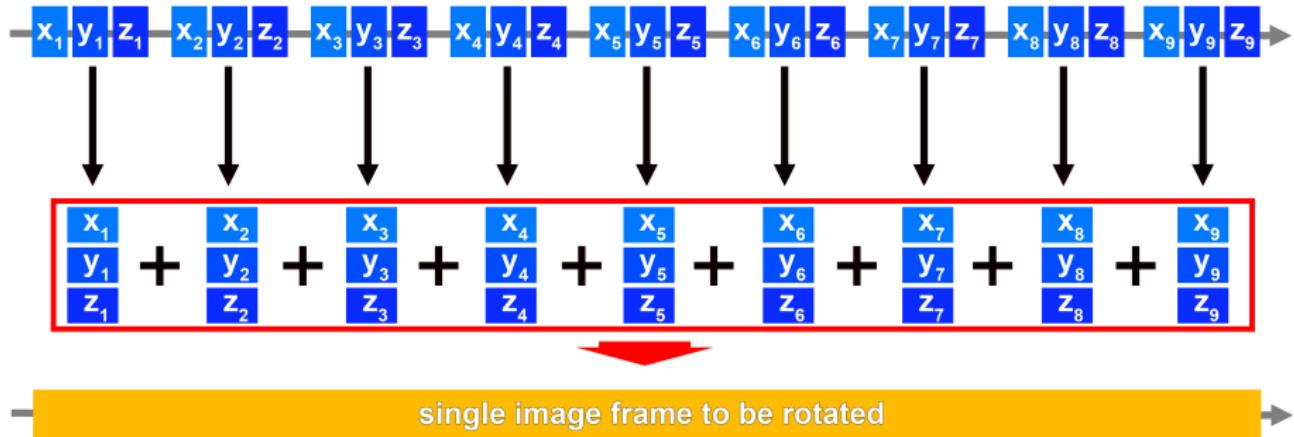


- Last Triple:
- + newest sensor value
 - no noise reduction, high movement influence



Down sampling and peak filtering algorithm

Average all sensor triples to rotate new image frame



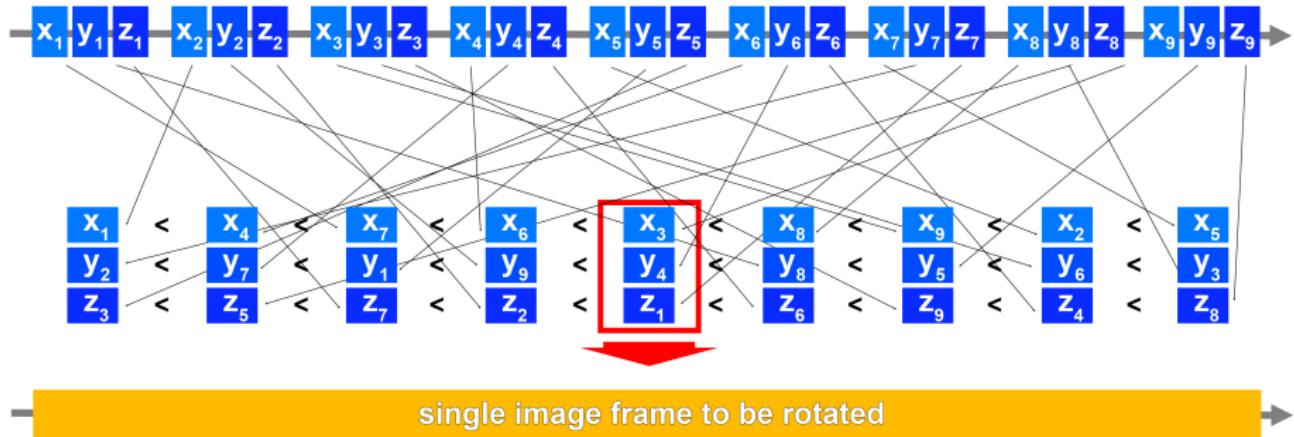
Mean values:

- + noise reduction
- movement influence



Down sampling and peak filtering algorithm

Choose median of each sensor axis to rotate new image frame



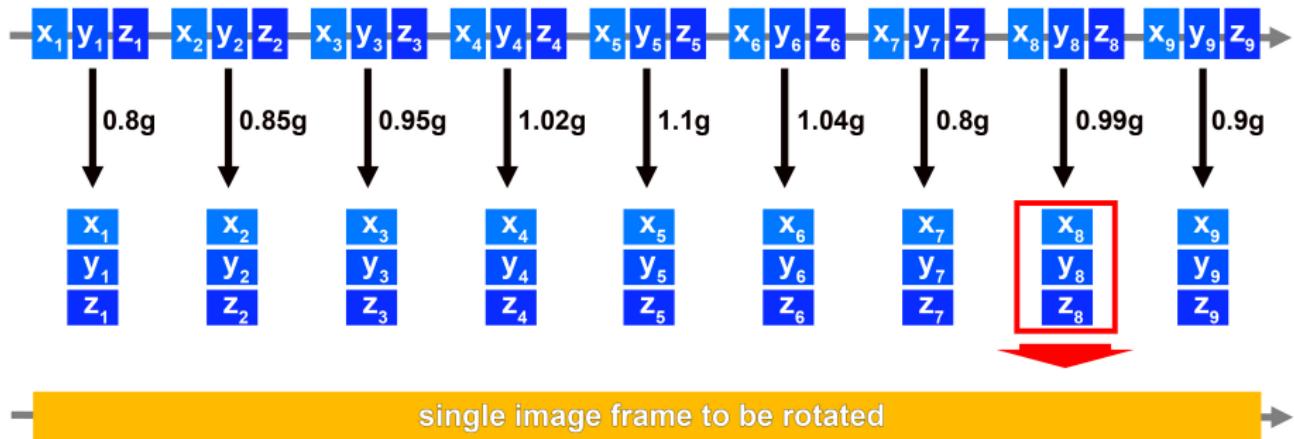
Median of each axis:

- + noise reduction
- distortion



Down sampling and peak filtering algorithm

Choose best triple to rotate new image frame



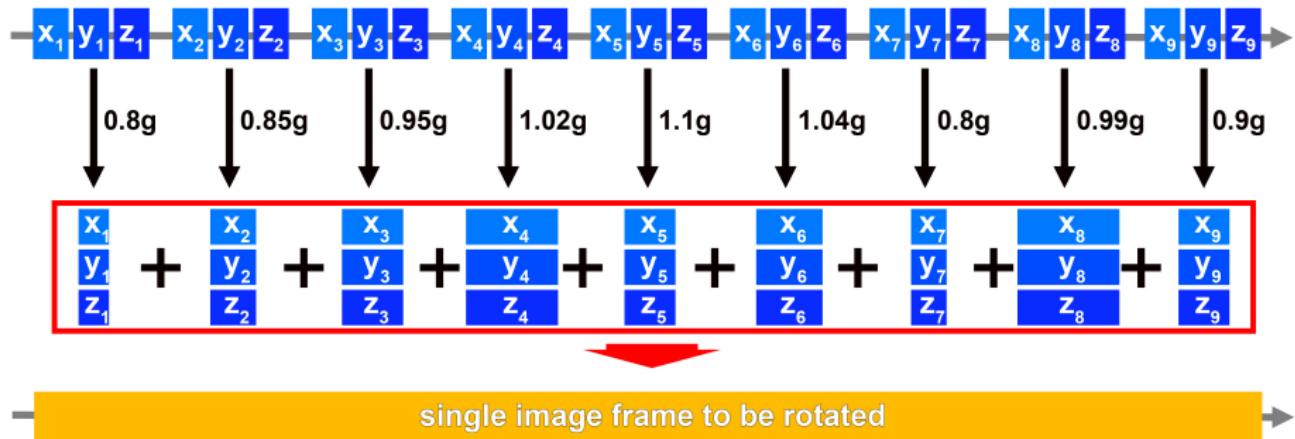
Best Triple:

- + less movement influence
- no noise reduction



Down sampling and peak filtering algorithm

Add weighted values to rotate new image frame



Weighted Sum: + less movement influence
+ noise reduction



Down sampling

by summing up weighted samples

All n sensor values F_{x_i} , F_{y_i} and F_{z_i} within an image frame with $i = 1, \dots, n$ are summed up and weighted with a factor w_i with maximal weight $\frac{1}{w_0}$:

$$w_i = \frac{1}{w_0 + |\sqrt{F_{x_i}^2 + F_{y_i}^2 + F_{z_i}^2} - g|} \quad (1)$$

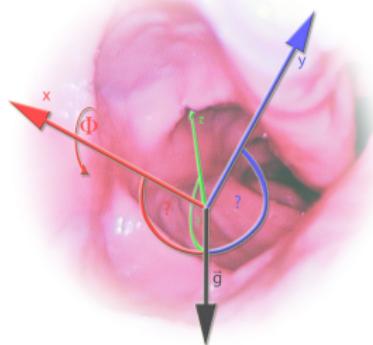
Afterwards the sum has to be normalized by the sum of all weighting factors w_i :

$$\begin{pmatrix} F_x \\ F_y \\ F_z \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\begin{pmatrix} F_{x_i} \\ F_{y_i} \\ F_{z_i} \end{pmatrix} \cdot w_i \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (w_i) \right)^{-1} \quad (2)$$



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Endororientation algorithm

Block diagram

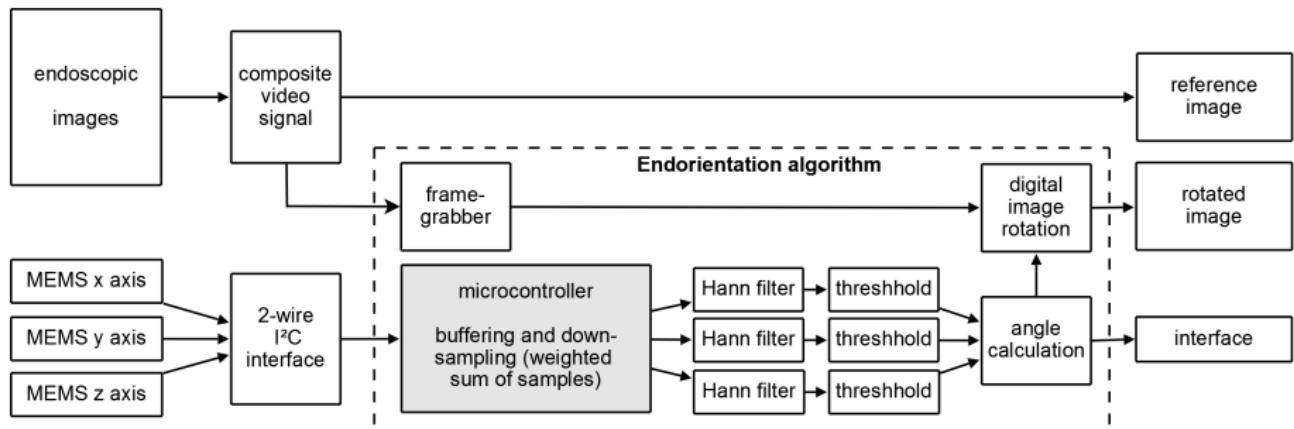


Figure: Principle of Endororientation algorithm

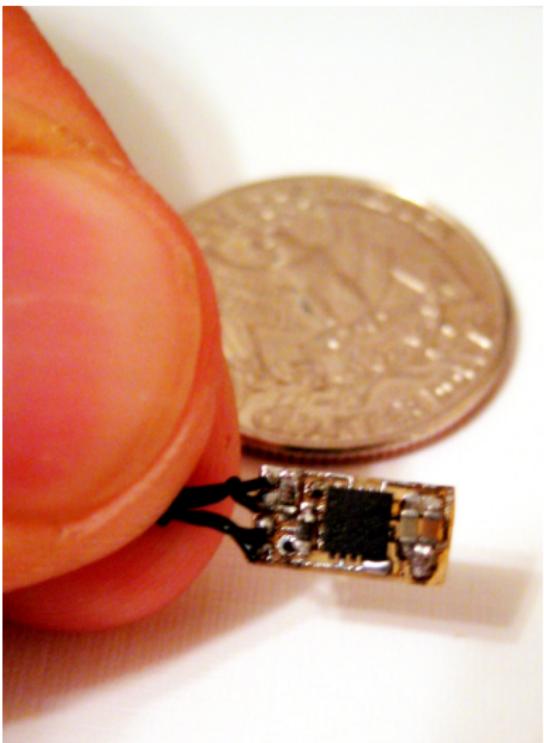


Small Prototype

Solution for loss of spatial orientation

Circuit board with MEMS chip
STM LIS331DL for acceleration measurement, 10uF/100nF
SMD capacitors for power supply HF denoising and 4k7 SMD resistors for I²C adaption

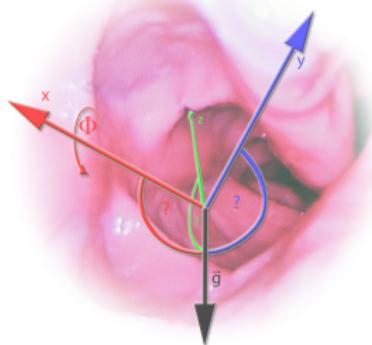
- 3-axis MEMS accelerometer
- 0603 capacitors
- range $\pm 2.3\text{g}$
- overall size 5x8mm
- communication via two-wire I²C interface





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First results

Software solution

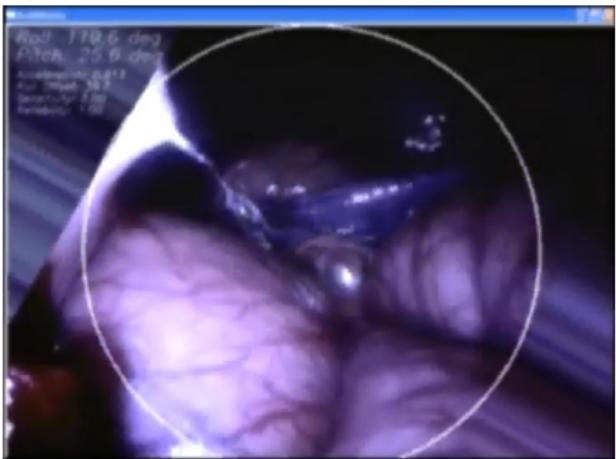
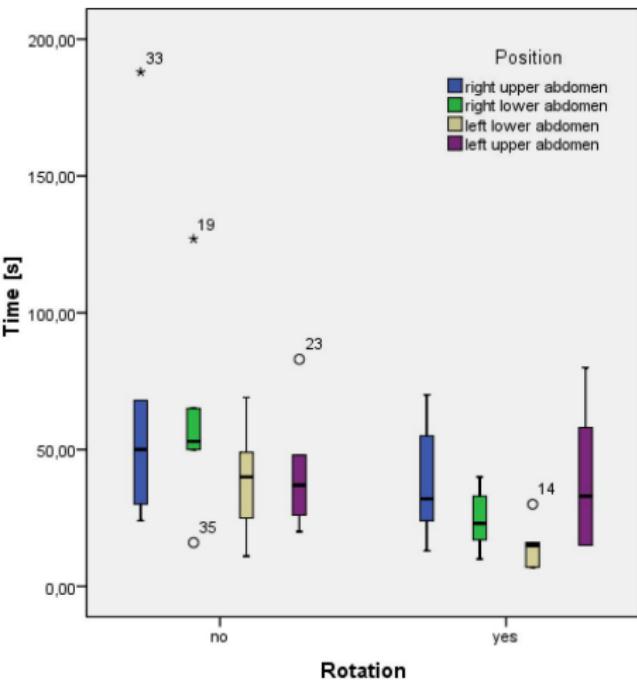
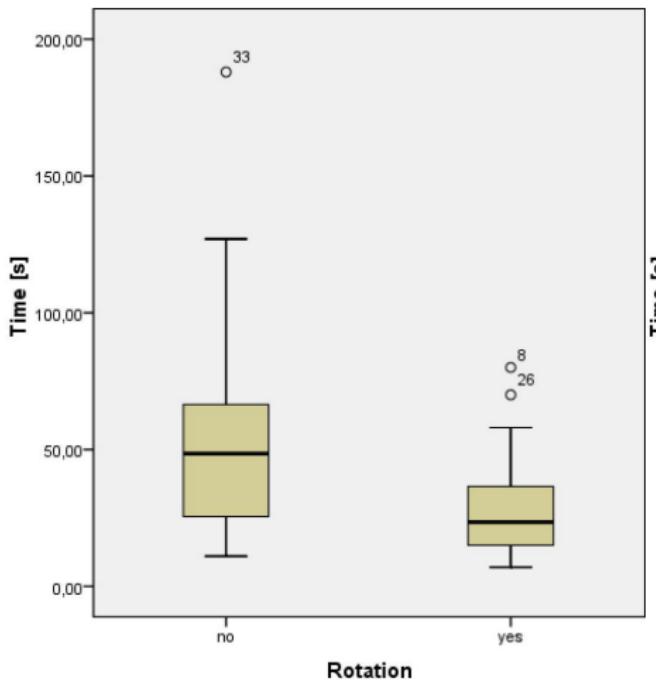


Figure: Original (l) and rectified (r) image



Clinical Evaluation

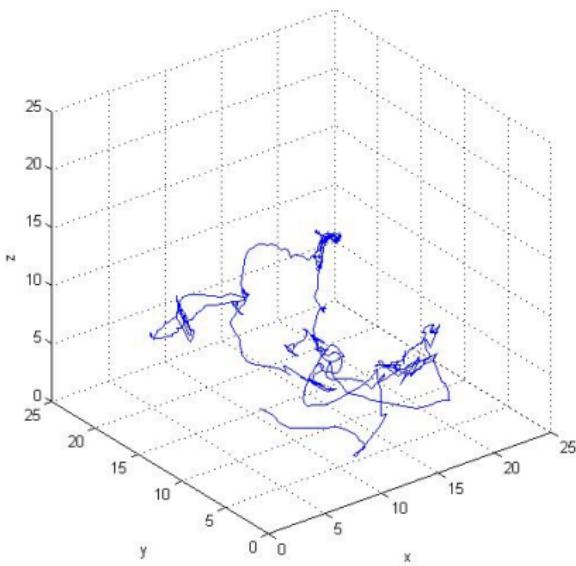
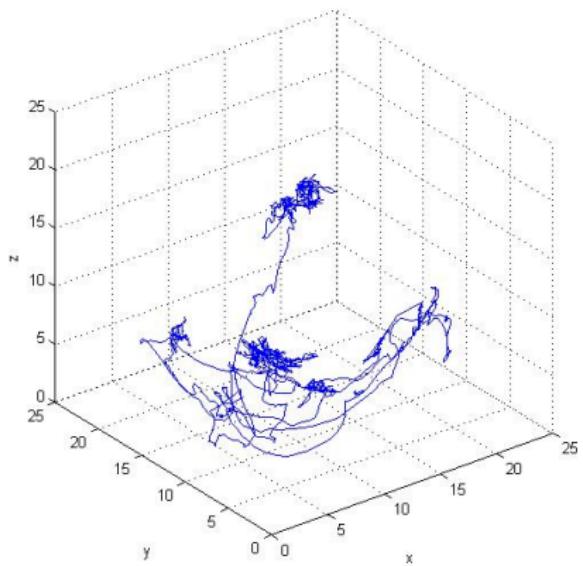
Average time comparison without and with image rectification





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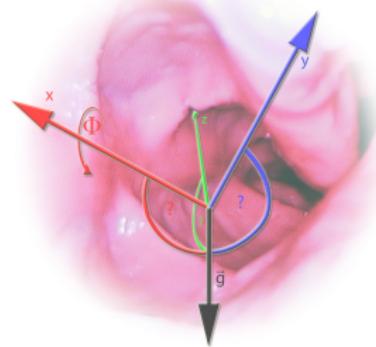
Original vs. rectified images: total path length of 650 vs. 317 inches





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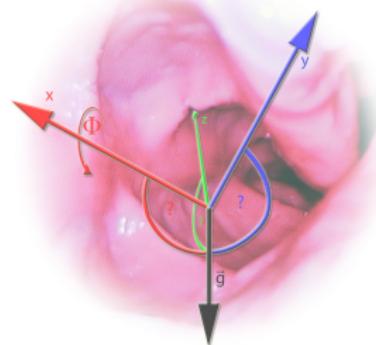
Conclusion

- Idea:
 - ⇒ fix a tiny inertial sensor on a flexible endoscope's tip
 - ⇒ rectify orientation of endoscopic view, provide a stable horizon
- Solution:
 - ⇒ tiny circuit board, I2C communication and register setting
 - ⇒ down sampling, filtering and threshholding
- Evaluation:
 - ⇒ interventions with flexible endoscopes easier esp. for surgeons



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Outlook

Better technical evaluation of down sampling and filtering

- testing algorithms with synthetic data
(collision / continuous tremor)
- testing in a surgery simulation area
(turn table)



The End

- Thank you for your attention!
- Any further questions?

