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## (54) THREE-DIMENSIONAL RECONSTRUCTION METHOD

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#### Description

#### **TECHNICAL FIELD**

**[0001]** The present invention relates to a three-dimensional reconstruction method, and in particular to a three-dimensional reconstruction method for reconstructing a three-dimensional model of a subject using a plurality of moving images captured by a plurality of imaging devices.

#### **BACKGROUND ART**

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**[0002]** The three-dimensional reconstruction technique in the field of computer vision makes correspondence between a plurality of two-dimensional images to estimate the position and orientation of cameras and a three-dimensional position of the subject.

**[0003]** For example, according to Patent Literature (PTL) 1, keypoints are extracted from several initial frames of a moving image input from a monocular camera and correspondence is made between keypoint positions by frame matching. In subsequent frames, keypoint position information is obtained by time-series keypoint tracking using an extended Kalman filter. A three-dimensional model is reconstructed based on Structure from Motion (SfM) using corresponding keypoints.

**[0004]** In addition, in PTL 2, a three-dimensional model is reconstructed by performing keypoint matching on key frames obtained at a predetermined cycle from two moving images synchronously captured by a stereo camera. Moreover, a three-dimensional model can be reconstructed also for frames between the key frames using a change in a keypoint in the temporal direction.

**[0005]** Furthermore, in PTL 3, calibration is performed among three or more cameras, and each camera coordinate system is converted into a virtual camera coordinate system of an arbitrary viewpoint according to camera parameters obtained. In the virtual camera coordinate system, distance information is estimated by making correspondence through block matching between images after the coordinate conversion. An image of a virtual camera viewpoint is synthesized based on the distance information estimated.

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- PTL 1: Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 2009-237845
- PTL 2: Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 2012-160937
- PTL 3: Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 2010-250452

**[0007]** EP 1 670 237 A2 relates to a method for matching unsynchronized image data, wherein image portions with a detected movement may be discarded and keypoint matching may be performed using the remaining portions.

**[0008]** However, with the above-described conventional techniques, it is difficult to appropriately reconstruct, regardless of the motion of the subject, time-series three-dimensional models from moving images captured, using a plurality of fixed or non-fixed cameras or both fixed and non-fixed cameras.

**[0009]** That is to say, when the subject is moving in the image capturing environment, making correspondence between two-dimensional images is difficult with time-series images captured by the monocular camera as disclosed in PTL 1. In addition, since PTL 3 performs synchronous capturing only at the time of calibration, it is difficult, as in PTL 1, to precisely estimate three-dimensional positions of a moving subject. Furthermore, since PTL 2 uses a stereo camera having two cameras with a fixed positional relationship, the camera positions are restricted.

**[0010]** The invention solves the problems described above by the features of the independent claims. The dependent claims describe advantageous embodiments.

**[0011]** With the three-dimensional reconstruction method according to the present disclosure, it is possible to appropriately reconstruct, regardless of the motion of the subject, time-series three-dimensional models from moving images captured, using a plurality of fixed or non-fixed cameras or both fixed and non-fixed cameras.

55 BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

## [0012]

- FIG. 1 illustrates an overall configuration of a three-dimensional reconstruction system according to the present disclosure.
- FIG. 2 illustrates an example of videos obtained by synchronous capturing and videos obtained by asynchronous capturing.
- FIG. 3 illustrates a processing flow of a three-dimensional reconstruction device according to the present disclosure.
- FIG. 4 illustrates an example of multi-view frame sets to be input to a three-dimensional reconstructor according to the present disclosure.
- FIG. 5 illustrates a configuration of the three-dimensional reconstructor according to Embodiment 1.
- FIG. 6 illustrates an example of three-dimensional reconstruction using three multi-view frames according to Embodiment 1.
- FIG. 7 illustrates a processing flow of the three-dimensional reconstructor according to Embodiment 1.
- FIG. 8 illustrates an example of a configuration of corresponder 315 according to Embodiment 1.
- FIG. 9 illustrates a processing flow for calculating corresponding keypoints according to Embodiment 1.

#### 15 DESCRIPTION OF EXEMPLARY EMBODIMENT

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**[0013]** First, three-dimensional reconstruction according to the present disclosure will be defined. Videos obtained by capturing a subject in the real space using a plurality of cameras with different viewpoints are referred to as multi-view videos, and reconstruction of the subject in a three-dimensional space using the multi-view two-dimensional images is referred to as three-dimensional reconstruction. The subject reconstructed in a three-dimensional space is referred to as a three-dimensional model. At this time, the parameter of each camera may be obtained in advance or may be estimated at the same time as when the three-dimensional model is created. In the present embodiment, the camera parameter is estimated at the same time as when the three-dimensional model is created.

**[0014]** Note that camera parameters include at least one of internal parameters such as the focal length of the camera, the distortion coefficient of the lens, and the image center, and external parameters such as the three-dimensional position and orientation of the camera.

**[0015]** Note that the three-dimensional model of the subject includes the respective three-dimensional positions of a plurality of points on the subject in multi-view two-dimensional images. The three-dimensional positions are each represented by three-value information including the X component, the Y component, and the Z component of a three-dimensional coordinate space defined by the X, Y, and Z axes, for example. Note that the three-dimensional model may include not only the three-dimensional positions but also information representing the hue of each point and the surface shape of each point and its surroundings.

**[0016]** Next, synchronous capturing according to the present disclosure will be defined. Examples of capturing cycles and exposure periods of cameras are illustrated in FIG. 2. In FIG. 2, the horizontal axis represents time, and a time period for which a rectangular signal is high represents a time period during which the camera is exposed. When obtaining an image using a camera, the time period during which the shutter is released is referred to as an exposure period. A scene exposed to the image sensor through a lens during the exposure period is obtained as an image. In (a) in FIG. 2, frames captured by two cameras having different views have exposure periods that are overlapping each other. Therefore, the frames obtained by the two cameras are synchronous frames, which include a scene of the same point of time. In contrast, in (b) in FIG. 2, since the exposure periods of frames obtained by the two cameras are not overlapping each other, the frames obtained by the two cameras are asynchronous frames, which do not include a scene of the same point of time. Capturing synchronous frames with a plurality of cameras as in (a) in FIG. 2 is referred to as synchronous capturing.

**[0017]** Next, the overall configuration of a three-dimensional reconstruction system according to the present embodiment will be described. FIG. 1 illustrates a configuration of the three-dimensional reconstruction system according to the present embodiment.

**[0018]** The three-dimensional reconstruction system according to the present embodiment includes a subject, cameras, and three-dimensional reconstruction device 200 that receives multi-view images and performs image processing. The subject is, for example, a scene of a basketball game. N cameras 100·1 to 100-n capture videos of the subject at different viewpoints and transmit the captured multi-view videos to three-dimensional reconstruction device 200.

**[0019]** Note that the multi-view videos captured by plural cameras 100·1 to 100-n may be transmitted to three-dimensional reconstruction device 200 via either a public communication network such as the Internet or a dedicated communication network. Alternatively, the multi-view videos may be temporarily stored directly from the cameras in an external storage device such as a hard disk drive (HDD) or a solid-state drive (SSD) and directly input to three-dimensional reconstruction device 200 when necessary. Alternatively, the multi-view videos may be temporarily transmitted to and stored in an external storage device such as a cloud server via a network, and transmitted to three-dimensional reconstruction device 200 when necessary.

[0020] Note that camera specifying information such as a camera ID specifying a camera that has performed image

capturing may be added to the multi-view videos as the header information of videos or frames.

**[0021]** Note that synchronous capturing, that is to capture a subject at the same point of time in each frame using a plurality of cameras, may be performed. Alternatively, only the built-in clocks of a plurality of cameras may be synchronized, and the capturing time information may be added to each video or frame without performing synchronous capturing, or an index number indicating the number in the capturing order, which is an order in which frames are captured, may be added.

**[0022]** Note that information indicating whether synchronous capturing has been performed or asynchronous capturing has been performed may be added, as header information, to the video set, each image, or each frame of the multiview videos.

[0023] Three-dimensional reconstruction device 200 includes receiver 210, storage 220, obtainer 230, three-dimensional reconstructor 240, and transmitter 250.

**[0024]** Receiver 210 receives multi-view videos captured by the plurality of cameras via a network or directly from the external storage device, and inputs the multi-view videos to storage 220.

[0025] Storage 220 stores the multi-view videos received by receiver 210.

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**[0026]** Obtainer 230 obtains the multi-view videos from storage 220, divides the videos into frames, and inputs a multi-view frame set including a plurality of frames to three-dimensional reconstructor 240.

**[0027]** Note that the multi-view frame set may include: a plurality of frames obtained by selecting one frame from each of all the videos; a plurality of frames obtained by selecting at least one frame from all the videos; a plurality of frames obtained by selecting one frame from each of two or more videos selected from among the multi-view videos; or a plurality of frames obtained by selecting at least one frame from each of two or more videos selected from among the multi-view videos.

**[0028]** Note that when the camera specifying information is not added to each frame of the multi-view frame set, it may be individually added to the header information of each frame, or may be collectively added to the header information of the multi-view frame set.

**[0029]** When the index number indicating the capturing time or capturing order is not added to each frame of the multiview frame set, it may be individually added to the header information of each frame, or may be collectively added to the header information of the frame set.

**[0030]** Using the multi-view frame set input from obtainer 230, three-dimensional reconstructor 240 estimates camera parameters of cameras that have captured the frames included in the multi-view frame set, and reconstructs a three-dimensional model of the subject included in each frame.

**[0031]** Transmitter 250 transmits the camera parameters or the three-dimensional model, or both, calculated by three-dimensional reconstructor 240 to, for example, a storage device or a processing device outside three-dimensional reconstruction device 200.

**[0032]** FIG. 3 is a processing flow of three-dimensional reconstruction device 200 of the three-dimensional reconstruction system according to the present embodiment.

[0033] First, receiver 210 receives multi-view videos captured by a plurality of cameras, and inputs the multi-view videos to storage 220 (S2100).

[0034] Next, storage 220 stores the multi-view videos (S2200).

**[0035]** Next, obtainer 230 obtains the multi-view videos from storage 220, divides the videos into frames, creates a multi-view frame set including a plurality of frames, and inputs the multi-view frame set to three-dimensional reconstructor 240 (S2300).

[0036] Note that obtainer 230 may immediately obtain the multi-view videos from receiver 210, rather than from storage 220.

**[0037]** Next, using the multi-view frame set, three-dimensional reconstructor 240 estimates camera parameters of cameras that have captured the frames, and reconstructs a three-dimensional model of the subject included in each frame (S2400).

**[0038]** S2300 and S2400 are repeated until there is no more multi-view frame set created by obtainer 230 or until a user instructs to stop.

**[0039]** Next, transmitter 250 transmits the camera parameters, the three-dimensional model of the subject, or both, to the outside (S2500).

**[0040]** Hereinafter, an embodiment will be described in detail with accompanying drawings. Note that the embodiment described below illustrates a general or specific example. The numerical values, shapes, materials, structural elements, the arrangement and connection of the structural elements, etc., illustrated in the embodiment below are mere examples, and are not intended to limit the present disclosure. Furthermore, among the structural elements in the embodiment below, structural elements not recited in any one of the independent claims representing the most generic concepts will be described as optional structural elements.

(EMBODIMENT 1)

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**[0041]** First, in the present embodiment, a multi-view frame set to be input to three-dimensional reconstructor 240 will be described. FIG. 4 illustrates an example in which one frame is selected from each of five multi-view cameras to constitute a frame set.

**[0042]** Here, it is assumed that the multi-view cameras perform synchronous capturing, and a camera ID (100-1 to 100-5) is added to the header information of each frame to identify the camera that has captured the frame. Frame numbers 001 to N indicating the numbers in a capturing order in which frames are captured by a camera are also added, and when frames have the same frame number among different cameras, it means that such frames were captured to shoot the target at the same point of time.

**[0043]** Obtainer 230 sequentially inputs frame sets 200-1 to 200-n to three-dimensional reconstructor 240, and three-dimensional reconstructor 240 sequentially performs three-dimensional reconstruction by repetitive processing, using frame sets 200-1 to 200-n.

[0044] Frame set 200-1 includes five frames: a frame having frame number 001 of camera 100-1, a frame having frame number 001 of camera 100-3, a frame having frame number 001 of camera 100-3, a frame having frame number 001 of camera 100-4, and a frame having frame number 001 of camera 100-5. By using frame set 200-1 as the initial group of frames of the multi-view videos in repetitive processing 1 of three-dimensional reconstructor 240, it is possible to three-dimensionally reconstruct the initial state of the image capturing environment. Frame set 200-2 is a frame set in which only the frame of camera 100-1 in frame set 200-1 is updated to a frame having frame number 002, which has been captured at the next point of time. By using frame set 200-2 in repetitive processing 2, a three-dimensional model which includes both the time at which the frames having frame number 001 have been captured and the time at which the frame having frame number 002 has been captured is reconstructed. Thereafter, a frame of one camera is updated in each of repetitive processing 3 to 5 in the same manner. Then, in frame set 200-6, the frames of all the cameras in frame set 200-1 are updated to frames captured at the next point of time. That is to say, in order to reconstruct a three-dimensional model that is ahead by one point of time, three-dimensional reconstruction unit 240 performs the repetitive processing five times. By sequentially updating the frame numbers in the frame set in such a manner as described, it is possible to reconstruct time-series three-dimensional models that are different in point of time but have the same coordinate axes.

**[0045]** Note that, even without synchronous capturing, obtainer 230 can create a frame set, using the multi-view videos obtained. In that case, the capturing time is given to each frame, and obtainer 230 creates frame sets combining synchronous frames and asynchronous frames based on the capturing times. The following describes a method of determining synchronous frames and asynchronous frames using capturing times of two cameras.

**[0046]** Assume that the capturing time of a frame selected from among the frames captured by camera 100-1 is  $T_1$ , the capturing time of a frame selected from among the frames captured by camera 100-2 is  $T_2$ , the exposure period of camera 100-1 is  $T_1$ , and the exposure period of camera 100-2 is  $T_{10}$ . Here, capturing times  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  each indicate a point of time at which the exposure has started in the example of FIG. 2, that is, the rising time of the rectangular signal. Thus, the exposure end time of camera 100-1 is  $T_1 + T_{10}$ . At this time, if Expression (1) or Expression (2) is satisfied, it means that the two cameras are capturing the subject at the same point of time, and the two frames are thus said to be synchronous frames.

[MATHEMATICAL FORMULA 1]

$$T_I \leq T_2 \leq T_I + T_{EI}$$
 Expression (1)

[MATHEMATICAL FORMULA 2]

$$T_1 \leq T_2 + T_{E2} \leq T_1 + T_{E1}$$
 Expression (2)

[0047] FIG. 5 is a block diagram illustrating a configuration of three-dimensional reconstructor 240 according to the present disclosure.

**[0048]** Three-dimensional reconstructor 240 estimates a camera parameter and reconstructs a three-dimensional model using a multi-view frame set input from obtainer 230 of three-dimensional reconstruction device 200 illustrated in FIG. 1. As illustrated in FIG. 5, three-dimensional reconstructor 240 includes detector 310, extractor 311, controller 312, switch 313, corresponder 314, corresponder 315, selector 316, estimator 317, restorer 318, and optimizer 319.

[0049] Detector 310 detects a keypoint in each frame of the multi-view frame set received. A keypoint is: a point or

an edge, such as an outline of an object included in a frame, a corner of an object or space, or an intersection of objects in a frame plane; or a point, a side, or a certain region having a large difference in luminance or hue between a certain region and its surroundings.

**[0050]** Extractor 311 extracts feature vectors of the keypoints detected by detector 310. A feature vector represents, by means of a vector, the distribution of the gradient directions of the luminance or hue of pixels included in a specific region having a keypoint. Note that a keypoint and a feature vector may be other image information detected using, for example, texture information or information after frequency conversion.

**[0051]** Controller 312 selects two frames from a multi-view frame set as a frame pair. Further, controller 312 determines, using image information of each of the two frames, whether or not the two frames have the same image information. When the two frames have the same image information, switch 313 is connected to corresponder 314, whereas when the two frames do not have the same image information, switch 313 is connected to corresponder 315, and the frame pair, the keypoints, and the feature vectors are input to corresponder 314 or corresponder 315.

**[0052]** Here, the image information may be the capturing time or the frame number of a frame added to the header information of each multi-view frame set or each frame, or may be an amount of change in the temporal direction. An amount of change in the temporal direction may be the average value or the median value of amounts of change in the temporal direction of a plurality of small regions into which a frame is divided. Hereinafter, the image information will be described as the capturing time of a frame.

**[0053]** Corresponder 314 calculates, as corresponding points, corresponding keypoints in the entire regions of the two frames, using the feature vectors.

**[0054]** Corresponder 315 divides each of the two frames into image regions each having one or more features, and calculates, as corresponding points, corresponding keypoints only in the image regions whose features are similar between the frames, using the feature vectors.

**[0055]** Note that the corresponding points are calculated by calculating a difference in feature vector between one keypoint in one frame of the frame pair and all the keypoints in the other frame of the frame pair, for example. A keypoint pair having the smallest difference in feature vectors is selected as a candidate for the corresponding points, and when the difference in feature vector is smaller than a given threshold value, the keypoint pair is determined as the corresponding points. The difference in feature vector is obtained by calculating the square error or absolute error of the two vectors.

**[0056]** Note that the image regions are obtained by, for example, dividing a frame into small regions, calculating a feature for each of the small regions, and integrating small regions having the same or similar features. The small regions may overlap with each other, may be adjacent to each other, or may be spaced apart from each other.

**[0057]** Selector 316 selects a target frame or a target frame pair to be three-dimensionally reconstructed, from among frames that are not reconstructed yet.

**[0058]** Estimator 317 estimates a camera parameter of a camera that has captured the target frame or estimates camera parameters of cameras that have captured the frames of the target frame pair, using the frame or the frame pair selected by selector 316 and the corresponding points of a reconstructed three-dimensional model.

**[0059]** Restorer 318 reconstructs a three-dimensional model of the subject by back-projecting the keypoint in each frame captured by one or more cameras whose camera parameters have been estimated, onto the three-dimensional coordinates, using the camera parameter(s) estimated by estimator 317.

**[0060]** As an example of a camera parameter estimation method and a three-dimensional model reconstruction method using corresponding points, coordinates and orientations of cameras in a world coordinate system are calculated under constraints etc. of the epipolar geometry, and further, three-dimensional positions of points in images captured by the cameras are calculated in the world coordinate system. FIG. 6 illustrates an example in which external parameters of cameras are estimated and a three-dimensional model of the subject is reconstructed using three multi-view frames, given that the internal parameters of the camera are known.

**[0061]** In order to obtain a camera parameter of each camera, rotation matrices  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  and translation vectors  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$ , and  $T_3$  between the cameras in the world coordinates system having O as the origin need to be calculated. First, a method for calculating the rotation matrix and the translation vector of cameras that have captured images 1 and 2 will be described. When the point  $m_1 = (u_1, v_1, 1)$  in image 1 and the point  $m_2 = (u_2, v_2, 1)$  in image 2 correspond to each other, an epipolar equation satisfying Expression (3) holds for the points  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ .

[MATHEMATICAL FORMULA 3]

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$$m_1^T F m_2 = 0$$
 Expression (3)

**[0062]** Here, F will be referred to as a "fundamental matrix (F matrix)". Using an internal parameter K of each camera, the points  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  can be obtained as the points

$$\widetilde{m}_{i} = (x_{i}, y_{i}, z_{i})$$

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$$\widetilde{m}_2 = (x_2, y_2, z_2)$$

in each camera coordinate system, on the basis of Expression (4). As a result, the epipolar equation can be converted into Expression (5).

[MATHEMATICAL FORMULA 4]

 $\widetilde{m} = Km$  Expression (4)

[MATHEMATICAL FORMULA 5]

 $\tilde{m}_{1}^{T} E \tilde{m}_{2} = 0$  Expression (5)

**[0063]** Here, E will be referred to as an "essential matrix (E matrix)". Each element of the E matrix can be calculated using a plurality of corresponding points. After calculating each element of the F matrix using a plurality of corresponding points, namely, for example, the points m<sub>1</sub> and m<sub>2</sub> in the images, the E matrix may be obtained using Expression (6). [MATHEMATICAL FORMULA 6]

 $E = K^{-1}FK$  Expression (6)

**[0064]** By decomposing the E matrix, a rotation matrix and a translation vector from image 1 to image 2 in the world coordinate system can be obtained. If a position of camera 1 in the world coordinate system and inclinations of camera 1 relative to the axes of the world coordinate system are known, positions and orientations of cameras 1 and 2 in the world coordinate system can be obtained using the above relationship. The position and orientation of camera 1 in the world coordinate system may be calculated based on camera sensor information other than a video, or may be measured in advance. Alternatively, the camera coordinate system of camera 1 may be determined as a world coordinate system, and positions and orientations of the other cameras may be calculated.

[0065] The three-dimensional point M in the world coordinate system can be obtained from the corresponding points used here, on the basis of a triangle obtained using the rotation matrix and the translation vector between images 1 and 2. [0066] Further, the above geometrical relationship is expanded to three viewpoints. In an example in which image 3 is added to images 1 and 2, more specifically, E matrices are calculated between images 2 and 3 and between images 1 and 3, and relative rotation matrices and translation vectors are obtained for these cameras. By integrating these pieces of information together, the rotation matrix and translation vector of the camera which has captured image 3 in the world coordinate system can be calculated. Alternatively, the rotation matrix and translation vector of image 3 may be calculated in relation to image 1 and to image 2 on the basis of corresponding points. More specifically, corresponding points are obtained between images 1 and 3 and between images 2 and 3. If a point  $m_3$  in image 3 corresponding to the point  $m_1$  in image 1 and the point  $m_2$  in image 2 is obtained, a relationship between the point  $m_3$  in image 3 and coordinates in the three-dimensional space can be obtained since the three-dimensional coordinates of the corresponding point M are known. At this time, the following Expression (7) holds true. [MATHEMATICAL FORMULA 7]

 $\widetilde{m} = PM$  Expression (7)

**[0067]** Here, P will be referred to as a "perspective matrix (P matrix)". Because the P matrix, the E matrix, and the internal matrix satisfy the following Expression (8), the E matrix of image 3 can be obtained. The rotation matrix and the translation vector can thus be obtained.

[MATHEMATICAL FORMULA 8]

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P = KE Expression (8)

[0068] Note that even if the internal parameter is unknown, the internal matrix and the E matrix can be determined by calculating the F matrix or the P matrix and then dividing the F matrix or the P matrix under the restriction that the internal matrix is an upper triangular matrix and the E matrix is a positive definite symmetric matrix.

[0069] Optimizer 319 corrects the camera parameter and the three-dimensional model of the subject.

**[0070]** The camera parameter(s) estimated by estimator 317 and the three-dimensional model of the subject reconstructed by restorer 318 include an error due to the accuracy of the keypoint detection or the accuracy of the corresponding point calculation. An example of the optimization processing of optimizer 319 is that a three-dimensional point of the reconstructed three-dimensional model of the subject is re-projected onto the frame of each camera, and the camera parameter(s) and the three-dimensional point of the subject are finely adjusted so as to minimize the sum of absolute differences or the sum of square differences from the original two-dimensional point position.

**[0071]** FIG. 7 illustrates a processing flow of three-dimensional reconstructor 240.

[0072] First, detector 310 detects keypoints from all the frames included in a frame set (S3100).

**[0073]** Next, extractor 311 calculates a feature vector for each keypoint detected by detector 310, using the keypoint and peripheral pixels (S3110).

**[0074]** Next, controller 312 selects two frames from the frame set as a frame pair, and determines whether the two frames have the same capturing time, using the capturing time information or the frame number information added to the header information of the frame set or each frame (S3120). Controller 312 connects switch 313 to corresponder 314 when the two frames have the same capturing time, and connects switch 313 to corresponder 315 when the two frames do not have the same capturing time, to sequentially input the frame pair, the keypoints, and the feature vectors to corresponder 314 or corresponder 315 (S3120).

**[0075]** Note that the capturing times do not need to be exactly the same, and it may be determined that two frames have the same capturing time when the time difference between the capturing times of the two frames is smaller than a predetermined threshold value.

**[0076]** In the case of YES in S3120, corresponder 314 calculates, as corresponding points, corresponding keypoints in the frames of the frame pair, using the feature vectors extracted by extractor 311 (S3130).

[0077] In the case of NO in S3120, corresponder 315 divides each frame of the frame pair into one or more image regions each having a feature, and corresponder 315 calculates, as corresponding points, corresponding keypoints only in the image regions having similar features between the frames of the frame pair, using the feature vectors extracted by extractor 311 (S3140).

[0078] Note that S3120 to S3140 are repeatedly performed for all or a portion of frame pairs included in the frame set. [0079] Next, using the corresponding points calculated by corresponder 314 or corresponder 315 and three-dimensional points calculated by optimizer 319, selector 316 selects a target camera or a target camera pair for the three-dimensional reconstruction from among the cameras that have captured the frames that are not reconstructed yet (S3150). [0080] Next, estimator 317 estimates a camera parameter of the target camera or the target camera pair selected by

[0080] Next, estimator 317 estimates a camera parameter of the target camera or the target camera pair selected by selector 316, using the corresponding points calculated by corresponder 314 or corresponder 315 and the three-dimensional point calculated by optimizer 319 (S3160).

**[0081]** Next, using the camera parameter estimated by estimator 317, restorer 318 reconstructs a keypoint in a frame captured by the target camera as a three-dimensional point and calculates three-dimensional coordinates of the keypoint (S3170).

**[0082]** Next, optimizer 319 corrects the camera parameter estimated by estimator 317 and the three-dimensional point calculated by restorer 318 such that the reconstructed three-dimensional model is optimized as a whole (S3180).

**[0083]** One example of the optimization of the three-dimensional model is to minimize an error between an original two-dimensional point position of a keypoint and a two-dimensional point position obtained by re-projecting, onto each frame, a three-dimensional point reconstructed using the camera parameter.

[0084] Note that S3150 to S3180 are repeatedly performed until all or a portion of the frames in the frame set are reconstructed.

**[0085]** This makes it possible to reconstruct time-series three-dimensional models having the same coordinate axes at each time point, regardless of the motion of the cameras or the subject.

[0086] Note that S3120 to S3140 may be performed immediately after S3150. At this time, the corresponding points

in the frame pair are determined for a camera pair or a camera selected by selector 316. When a camera pair is selected by selector 316, processing is performed for determining corresponding points only in the frames captured by each camera of the camera pair. That is to say, the processing of S3120 to S3140 in FIG. 7 is performed only once. When a camera is selected by selector 316, processing is performed for forming corresponding points between a target frame captured by the selected camera and all the frames other than the target frame. That is to say, when the number of input frames is N, processing of S3120 to S3140 in FIG. 7 is performed N-1 times. Note that the number of times the processing is performed is not limited to N-1; it may be performed only on the frames of the estimated camera when S3150 is performed, or at least one frame may be arbitrarily selected from among the frames other than the target frame.

[0087] Here, an example of an internal configuration of corresponder 315 will be described in detail.

[0088] FIG. 8 illustrates an example of an internal configuration of corresponder 315 according to the present embodiment.

[0089] Corresponder 315 includes motion estimator 410, divider 411, corresponder 412, and storage 413.

**[0090]** With each frame of the frame pair as a target frame, motion estimator 410 performs the following: obtains a preceding frame that temporally precedes the target frame or a following frame that temporally follows the target frame, or both the preceding frame and the following frame, stored in storage 413; divides the target frame into a plurality of small regions; and estimates, for each small region, a motion vector as the feature of the small region. Here, the preceding frame and the following frame are frames captured by a camera that has captured the target frame.

**[0091]** Using the motion vectors of the plurality of small regions estimated by motion estimator 410, divider 411 integrates small regions whose motion vectors are the same or similar. As a result, the frame is divided into a moving region and a still region.

**[0092]** Using the feature vectors extracted by extractor 311, corresponder 412 calculates, as corresponding points, corresponding keypoints only in the still regions of the frames of the frame pair among the image regions divided into by divider 411. Further, the target frame is stored in storage 413.

[0093] FIG. 9 illustrates a processing flow of corresponder 315 according to the present embodiment.

[0094] First, controller 312 checks whether the frames of the frame pair have the same capturing time (S3200).

[0095] Next, when the frames have the same capturing time in S3200, switch 313 is connected to corresponder 314, whereas when the frames do not have the same capturing time, switch 313 is connected to corresponder 315 (S3210).

(When the frames have the same capturing time in S3210)

**[0096]** Next, with respect to all the keypoints detected by detector 310, corresponder 314 determines corresponding points between the frames, using the feature vectors extracted by extractor 311 (S3220).

(When the frames do not have the same capturing time in S3210)

**[0097]** Next, for each frame of the frame pair, motion estimator 410 estimates motion vectors of small regions, using the target frame and a preceding frame that temporally precedes the target frame and has been captured by a camera that has captured the target frame or a following frame that temporally follows the target frame and has been captured by the camera that has captured the target frame, or both the preceding frame and the following frame, stored in storage 413 (S3230).

**[0098]** For example, the target frame may be divided into small regions each having 15x15 pixels, and a motion vector of the central pixel in the temporal direction may be calculated.

**[0099]** Note that when the frame(s) extracted from storage 413 is(are) not to be used in subsequent processing, the frame(s) may be deleted here.

**[0100]** Next, divider 411 divides the target frame into a moving region and a still region by integrating small regions having the same or similar motion vectors, using the motion vectors that are features of the small regions estimated by motion estimator 410 (S3240).

**[0101]** Specifically, the magnitude of each motion vector calculated in S3230 is compared with a threshold value, and when the magnitude of the motion vector is greater than or equal to the threshold value, the small region for which the motion vector has been calculated is classified as a moving region, and when the magnitude of the motion vector is smaller than the threshold value, the small region is classified as a still region.

[0102] The motion vector calculated here as

is, for example, a two-dimensional vector  $(X_1, Y_1)$  composed of an X component and a Y component, and the magnitude of the motion vector

 $|\vec{V}|$  can be calculated on the basis of Expression (9).

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1S, 55 of [MATHEMATICAL FORMULA 9]

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$$|\vec{V}| = \sqrt{X_I^2 + Y_I^2}$$
 Expression (9)

[0103] Note that in consideration of the motion of the camera, a global vector

$$\overrightarrow{V_g} = (X_{g\,l}, \qquad Y_{g\,l})$$

that represents the motion of the entire frame caused by the motion of the camera may be calculated. Then, the motion of each small region may be estimated using the motion vector

$$\overrightarrow{V'} = \begin{pmatrix} X'_{I}, & Y'_{I} \end{pmatrix}$$

that is corrected using the global vector as shown in Expression (10) and Expression (11). [MATHEMATICAL FORMULA 10]

$$X'_{I} = X_{I} - X_{gI}$$
 Expression (10)

[MATHEMATICAL FORMULA 11]

$$Y'_{I} = Y_{I} - Y_{gI}$$
 Expression (11)

**[0104]** Next, with respect to the keypoints in the still regions obtained through the division by divider 411, corresponder 412 determines corresponding points between the frames, using the feature vectors extracted by extractor 311. Further, the target frame is stored in storage 413 (S3250).

**[0105]** Note that the plurality of small regions on which motion estimation is performed may be set to overlap with each other, or may be set to be adjacent to each other, or may be set to be spaced apart from each other.

**[0106]** Note that the center of each small region on which motion estimation is performed may be deemed as a keypoint. At this time, the number of small regions and the number of keypoints are the same. As a further unclaimed possibility, at this time, it is unnecessary to divide the region of the frame; the keypoints may be classified into moving points and still points using the motion vectors of the keypoints.

**[0107]** Note that the result of the division by divider 411 may be used for the connection of switch 313 performed by controller 312. Specifically, a frame is divided into one or more regions using the motion vectors of the small regions estimated by estimator 410. When both frames of the frame pair have one region and the features of the regions are the same or similar, switch 313 is connected to corresponder 314, otherwise, switch 313 is connected to corresponder 315. At this time, corresponder 315 calculates corresponding keypoints using only the keypoints in the regions having the same or similar features.

**[0108]** As described above, by using the keypoints in all the image regions for frames having the same capturing time and using only the keypoints in the still regions for frames having different capturing times, it is possible, when performing three-dimensional reconstruction using corresponding points in moving regions for frames having different capturing times, to reduce difficulty in precise camera parameter estimation and three-dimensional point reconstruction because the three-dimensional positions of corresponding two points are different, and it is possible to reconstruct time-series three-dimensional models having the same coordinate axes, regardless of the motion of the cameras or the subject.

**[0109]** Note that although an image capturing method etc. according to one or more aspects of the present disclosure have been described based on each embodiment and variation above, the present disclosure is not limited to each embodiment or variation above. One or more aspects of the present disclosure include the following examples as well.

- (1) Each of the above-described devices is, specifically, a computer system including a microprocessor, a ROM, a RAM, a hard disk unit, a display unit, a keyboard, and a mouse, for example. A computer program is stored in the RAM or the hard disk unit. Each of the devices achieves its function as a result of the microprocessor operating according to the computer program. Here, the computer program is configured by combining a plurality of instruction codes indicating instructions for the computer in order to achieve a given function.
- (2) A portion or all of the structural elements of each of the above-described devices may be configured from one system large-scale integration (LSI). A system LSI is a super-multifunction LSI manufactured with a plurality of components integrated on a single chip, and specifically is a computer system including a microprocessor, ROM, and RAM, for example. A computer program is stored in the RAM. The system LSI achieves its function as a result of the microprocessor operating according to the computer program.
- (3) A portion or all of the structural elements of each of the above-described devices may be configured from an IC card detachable from the device or a stand-alone module. The IC card and the module are computer systems configured from a microprocessor, a ROM, and a RAM, for example. The IC card and the module may include the super-multifunction LSI described above. The IC card and the module achieve their function as a result of the microprocessor operating according to a computer program. The IC card and the module may be tamperproof.
- (4) The present disclosure may be realized as the methods described above. In addition, the present disclosure may also be realized as a computer program realizing such methods with a computer, or as a digital signal of the computer program.
- Moreover, the present disclosure may also be realized as the computer program or the digital signal recorded on computer-readable recording media, such as a flexible disk, hard disk, CD-ROM, MO, DVD, DVD-ROM, DVD-RAM, Blu-ray (registered trademark) Disc (BD), or a semiconductor memory. The present disclosure may also be realized as a digital signal recorded on the above-mentioned recording media.
- Moreover, the present disclosure may also be realized by transmitting the computer program or the digital signal via, for example, an electric communication line, a wireless or wired line, a network such as the Internet, or data broadcasting.
- Moreover, the present invention may be a computer system including memory storing a computer program and a microprocessor operating according to the computer program.
- Moreover, the program or the digital signal may be implemented by another independent computer system by being stored on the recording media and transmitted, or by being transmitted via the network, for example.
- (5) The above embodiment and variation may be combined.

#### INDUSTRIAL APPLICABILITY

**[0110]** The present disclosure is useful in a three-dimensional reconstruction device or a three-dimensional reconstruction method.

### REFERENCE MARKS IN THE DRAWINGS

## [0111]

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	100-1 to 100-n	camera
	200	three-dimensional reconstruction device
	210	receiver
	220	storage
45	230	obtainer
	240	three-dimensional reconstructor
	250	transmitter
	200-1 to 200-n	frame set
	310	detector
50	311	extractor
	312	controller
	313	switch
	314	corresponder
	315	corresponder
55	316	selector
	317	estimator
	318	restorer
	319	optimizer

410	estimator
411	divider
412	corresponder
413	storage

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#### Claims

**1.** A three-dimensional reconstruction method of reconstructing a three-dimensional model from multi-view images captured by a plurality of cameras (100) with different viewpoints, the method comprising:

selecting (S2300) two frames from the multi-view images; calculating a capturing time of each of the two frames;

selecting a method of calculating corresponding keypoints in the two frames; and

calculating (S3100, S3200) the corresponding keypoints using the method of calculating corresponding keypoints selected in the selecting of the method of calculating corresponding keypoints;

#### characterized by

the method of calculating the corresponding keypoints being selected according to the capturing times, wherein the corresponding keypoints are calculated using different methods depending on whether the capturing times are the same, wherein,

when the two frames have the same capturing time, the corresponding keypoints in entire regions of the two frames are calculated (S3130), and

when the two frames do not have the same capturing time,

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each of the two frames is divided (S3140) into a plurality of regions each having a motion vector, regions having the same motion vector, with a magnitude smaller than a threshold value, in the two frames are identified, and

the corresponding keypoints only in the identified regions are calculated (S3140), using feature vectors of the keypoints; and

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reconstructing (S3150) the three-dimensional model based on the calculated corresponding keypoints

- 2. The three-dimensional reconstruction method according to claim 1, wherein the capturing time of each of the two frames is the capturing time at which the frame has been captured or a number of the frame in a capturing order, the capturing order being an order in which frames are captured by a same camera (100).
- 3. The three-dimensional reconstruction method according to claim 1, wherein the two frames have the same capturing time when a difference in capturing time between the two frames is smaller than a predetermined threshold.
- **4.** The three-dimensional reconstruction method according to claim 1, wherein when the two frames do not have the same capturing time, the calculating of the corresponding keypoints includes:
  - for each of the two frames, dividing the frame into regions, and estimating motion vectors of the regions using a preceding frame that temporally precedes the frame or a following frame that temporally follows the frame, or both the preceding frame and the following frame, the preceding frame and the following frame being frames captured by a camera (100) that has captured the frame;
    - dividing each of the two frames into a moving region and a still region, using the motion vectors; and calculating the corresponding keypoints only in the still regions of the two frames.
- 5. The three-dimensional reconstruction method according to any one of claims 1 to 4, further comprising
- selecting a frame from each of the multi-view images captured by each of the multi-view cameras to constitute a frame set (200-1), wherein the frames were captured at the same point of time; updating one of the frames of the frame (200-1) to a frame having been captured at the next point in time to

updating one of the frames of the frame (200-1) to a frame having been captured at the next point in time to constitute an updated frame set (200-2); and

sequentially performing three-dimensional reconstruction by repetitive processing using the frame set (200-1)

and the updated frame set (200-2), wherein

in the three-dimensional reconstruction, a corresponding keypoint is calculated using only the regions having the same motion vector, with a magnitude smaller than the threshold value, between frames which are included in the updated frame set and whose capturing times are different.

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- **6.** The three-dimensional reconstruction method according to claim 5, wherein each frame set (200-1, 200-2) includes five images.
- 7. The three-dimensional reconstruction method according to any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein the two frames are captured from different viewpoints.
- **8.** The three-dimensional reconstruction method according to any one of claims 1 to 7, wherein the motion vector of a region is corrected using a global vector representing the motion of the entire frame caused by a motion of the camera (100).

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**9.** The three-dimensional reconstruction method according to claim 8, wherein the center of each region is deemed as a keypoint.

20 Patentansprüche

1. Dreidimensionales Rekonstruktionsverfahren des Rekonstruierens eines dreidimensionalen Modells aus Mehrfachansicht-Bildern, die von einer Mehrzahl an Kameras (100) mit verschiedenen Blickpunkten erfasst werden, wobei das Verfahren umfasst:

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Wählen (S2300) zweier Frames von den Mehrfachansicht-Bildern;

Berechnen einer Erfassungszeit jedes der zwei Frames;

Wählen eines Verfahrens des Berechnens korrespondierender Schlüsselpunkte in den zwei Frames; und Berechnen (S3100, S3200) der korrespondierenden Schlüsselpunkte unter Verwendung des Verfahrens des Berechnens korrespondierender Schlüsselpunkte, das beim Wählen des Verfahrens des Berechnens korrespondierender Schlüsselpunkte gewählt wurde;

#### gekennzeichnet durch

das Verfahren des Berechnens der korrespondierenden Schlüsselpunkte, das entsprechend der Erfassungszeiten gewählt wird, wobei

die korrespondierenden Schlüsselpunkte berechnet werden unter Verwendung verschiedener Verfahren, abhängig davon, ob die Erfassungszeiten gleich sind, wobei,

wenn die zwei Frames die gleiche Erfassungszeit aufweisen, die korrespondierenden Schlüsselpunkte in gesamten Bereichen der zwei Frames berechnet (S3130) werden, und wenn die zwei Frames nicht die gleiche Erfassungszeit aufweisen,

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jedes der zwei Frames in eine Mehrzahl an Bereichen geteilt wird (S3140), wobei jeder einen Bewegungsvektor aufweist,

Bereiche, die den gleichen Bewegungsvektor aufweisen, mit einer Größe, die geringer ist als ein Schwellwert, in den zwei Frames identifiziert werden, und

die korrespondierenden Schlüsselpunkte nur in den identifizierten Bereichen berechnet werden (S3140), unter Verwendung von Merkmalsvektoren der Schlüsselpunkte; und

Rekonstruieren (S3150) des dreidimensionalen Modells auf Grundlage der berechneten korrespondierenden Schlüsselpunkte.

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2. Dreidimensionales Rekonstruktionsverfahren nach Anspruch 1, wobei die Erfassungszeit jedes der zwei Frames die Erfassungszeit, zu der das Frame erfasst wurde, oder eine Nummer des Frames in einer Erfassungsreihenfolge ist, wobei der Erfassungsreihenfolge eine Reihenfolge ist, in der Frames von einer gleichen Kamera (100) erfasst werden.

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 Dreidimensionales Rekonstruktionsverfahren nach Anspruch 1, wobei die zwei Frames die gleiche Erfassungszeit aufweisen, wenn ein Unterschied in der Erfassungszeit zwischen den zwei Frames geringer ist als ein vorbestimmter Schwellwert.

4. Dreidimensionales Rekonstruktionsverfahren nach Anspruch 1, wobei wenn die zwei Frames nicht die gleiche Erfassungszeit aufweisen, das Berechnen der korrespondierenden Schlüsselpunkt enthält:

für jedes der zwei Frames, Teilen des Frames in Bereiche, und Schätzen von Bewegungsvektoren der Bereiche, unter Verwendung eines vorangehenden Frames, das dem Frame zeitlich vorangeht, oder eines folgenden Frames, das dem Frame zeitlich folgt, oder sowohl des vorangehenden Frames als auch des folgenden Frames, wobei das vorangehende Frame und das folgende Frame Frames sind, die von einer Kamera (100) erfasst werden, die das Frame erfasst hat;

Teilen jedes der zwei Frames in einen bewegten Bereich und einen unbewegten Bereich, unter Verwendung der Bewegungsvektoren; und

Berechnen der korrespondierenden Schlüsselpunkte nur in den unbewegten Bereichen der zwei Frames.

5. Dreidimensionales Rekonstruktionsverfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 4, ferner umfassend

Wählen eines Frames aus jeder der Mehrfachansicht-Bilder, die von jeder der Merfachansicht-Kameras erfasst wurden, um ein Framesatz (200-1) zu bilden, wobei die Frames zu dem gleichen Zeitpunkt erfasst wurden; Aktualisieren eines der Frames des Frames (200-1) auf ein Frame, das zu dem nächsten Zeitpunkt erfasst wurde, um einen aktualisierten Framesatz (200-2) zu bilden; und sequenziell Durchführen von dreidimensionaler Rekonstruktion, indem wiederholend Verarbeitung durchgeführt wird unter Verwendung des Framesatzes (200-1) und des aktualisierten Framesatzes (200-2), wobei bei der dreidimensionalen Rekonstruktion ein korrespondierender Schlüsselpunkt berechnet wird, unter Verwendung nur der Bereiche, die den gleichen Bewegungsvektor aufweisen, mit einer Größe geringer als der Schwellwert, zwischen Frames, die in dem aktualisierten Framesatz enthalten sind und deren Erfassungszeiten sich unterscheiden.

- **6.** Dreidimensionales Rekonstruktionsverfahren nach Anspruch 5, wobei jeder Framesatz (200-1, 200-2) fünf Bilder enthält.
- Dreidimensionales Rekonstruktionsverfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 6, wobei die zwei Frames von verschiedenen Blickpunkten erfasst werden.
  - **8.** Dreidimensionales Rekonstruktionsverfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 7, wobei der Bewegungsvektor eines Bereichs korrigiert wird, unter Verwendung eines globalen Vektors, der die Bewegung des gesamten Frames, bedingt durch eine Bewegung der Kamera (100), darstellt.
  - **9.** Dreidimensionales Rekonstruktionsverfahren nach Anspruch 8, wobei die Mitte jedes Bereichs als ein Schlüsselpunkt gilt.

#### Revendications

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**1.** Procédé de reconstitution tridimensionnel de reconstitution d'un modèle tridimensionnel à partir d'images à vues multiples capturées par une pluralité de caméras (100) avec différents points de vue, le procédé comprenant :

sélection (S2300) de deux trames parmi les images à vues multiples ;

calcul d'un moment de capture de chacune des deux trames ;

sélection d'un procédé de calcul de points clés correspondants dans les deux trames ; et

calcul (S3100, S3200) des points clés correspondants en utilisant le procédé de calcul de points clés correspondants sélectionné lors de la sélection du procédé de calcul de points clés correspondants ;

#### caractérisé par

le procédé de calcul des points clés correspondants étant sélectionné selon les moments de capture, dans lequel les points clés correspondants sont calculés en utilisant différents procédés selon le caractère identique ou non des moments de capture, dans lequel,

lorsque les deux trames présentent le même moment de capture, les points clés correspondants dans des zones entières des deux trames sont calculés (S3130), et

lorsque les deux trames ne présentent pas le même moment de capture,

chacune des deux trames est divisée (S3140) en une pluralité de zones présentant chacune un vecteur de

mouvement,

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des zones présentant le même vecteur de mouvement, avec une amplitude inférieure à une valeur de seuil, dans les deux trames sont identifiées, et

les points clés correspondants uniquement dans les zones identifiées sont calculés (S3140), en utilisant des vecteurs de caractéristiques des points clés ; et

reconstitution (S3150) du modèle tridimensionnel selon les points clés correspondants calculés.

- 2. Le procédé de reconstitution tridimensionnel selon la revendication 1, dans lequel le moment de capture de chacune des deux trames correspond au moment de capture auquel la trame a été capturée ou à un numéro de la trame dans un ordre de capture, l'ordre de capture étant un ordre dans lequel des trames sont capturées par une même caméra (100).
- 3. Le procédé de reconstitution tridimensionnel selon la revendication 1, dans lequel les deux trames présentent un même moment de capture lorsqu'une différence de moment de capture entre les deux trames est inférieure à un seuil prédéterminé.
- 4. Le procédé de reconstitution tridimensionnel selon la revendication 1, dans lequel lorsque les deux trames ne présentent pas le même moment de capture, le calcul des points clés correspondants inclut :

pour chacune des deux trames, division de la trame en zones, et estimation de vecteurs de mouvement des zones en utilisant une trame précédente qui précède temporairement la trame ou une trame suivante qui suit temporairement la trame, ou à la fois la trame précédente et la trame suivante, la trame précédente et la trame suivante étant des trames capturées par une caméra (100) qui a capturé la trame;

division de chacune des deux trames en une zone mobile et une zone immobile, en utilisant les vecteurs de mouvement ; et

calcul des points clés correspondants uniquement dans les zones immobiles des deux trames.

- 5. Le procédé de reconstitution tridimensionnel selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 4, comprenant en outre
  - sélection d'une trame parmi chacune des images à vues multiples capturées par chacune des caméras à vues multiples pour constituer un jeu de trames (200-1), dans lequel les trames ont été capturées au même point dans le temps ;

actualisation d'une des trames de la trame (200- 1) en une trame ayant été capturée au point dans le temps suivant pour constituer un jeu de trames actualisé (200-2) ; et

exécution séquentielle d'une reconstitution tridimensionnelle par un traitement répété utilisant le jeu de trames (200-1) et le jeu de trames actualisé (200-2), dans lequel

dans la reconstitution tridimensionnelle, un point clé correspondant est calculé en utilisant uniquement les zones présentant le même vecteur de mouvement, avec une amplitude inférieure à la valeur de seuil, entre des trames qui sont incluses dans le jeu de trames actualisé et dont les moments de capture sont différents.

- **6.** Le procédé de reconstitution tridimensionnel selon la revendication 5, dans lequel chaque jeu de trames (200-1, 200-2) inclut cinq images.
- **7.** Le procédé de reconstitution tridimensionnel selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 6, dans lequel les deux trames sont capturées depuis des points de vue différents.
  - 8. Le procédé de reconstitution tridimensionnel selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 7, dans lequel le vecteur de mouvement d'une zone est corrigé en utilisant un vecteur global représentant le mouvement de la trame entière induit par un mouvement de la caméra (100).
  - **9.** Le procédé de reconstitution tridimensionnel selon la revendication 8, dans lequel le centre de chaque zone est considéré comme un point clé.

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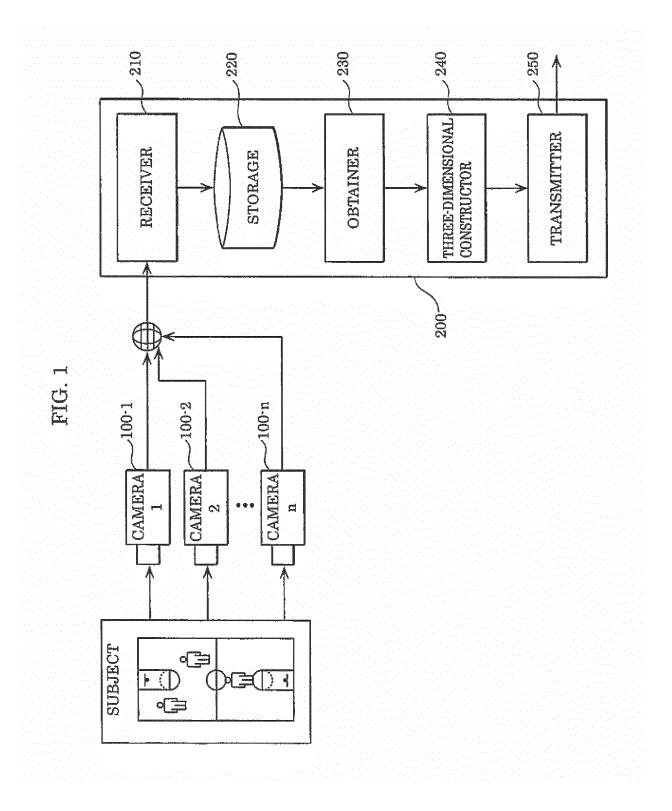
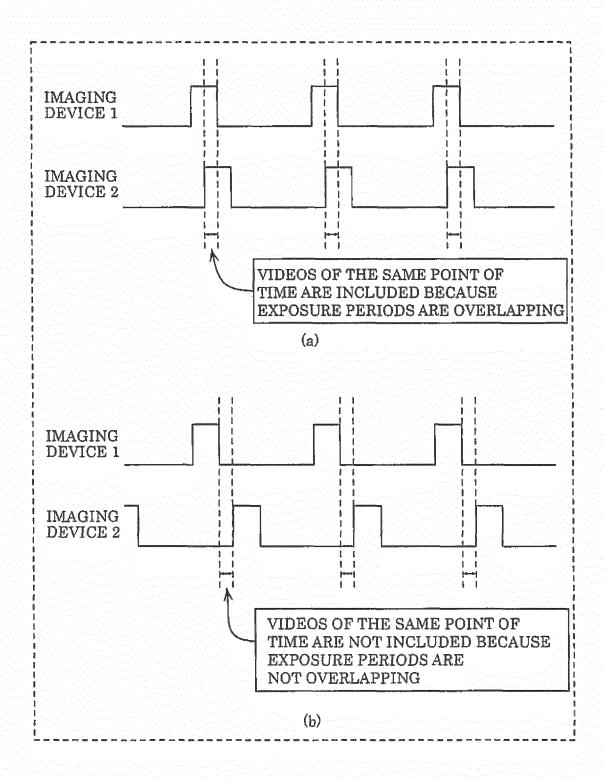


FIG. 2



# FIG. 3

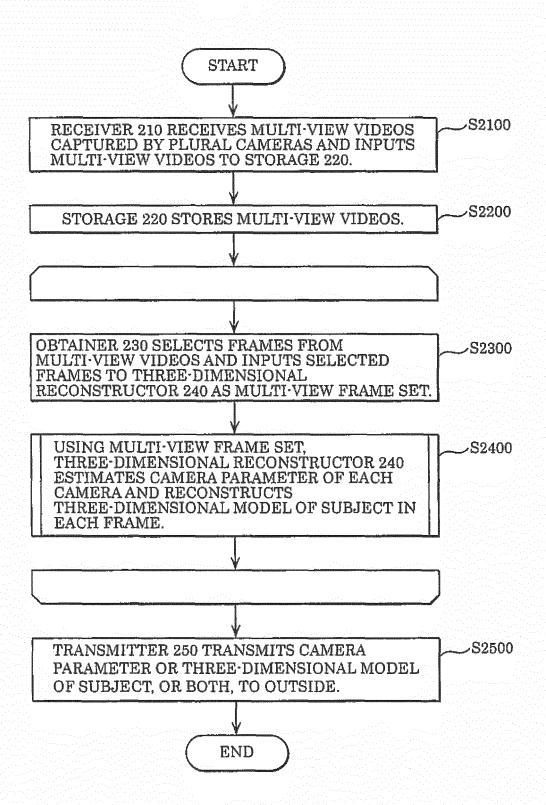
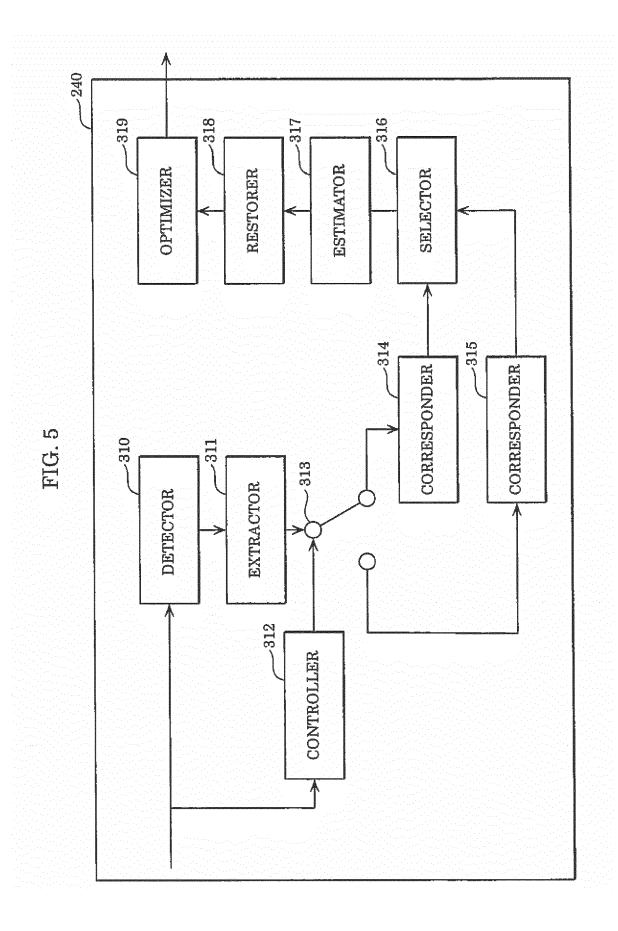
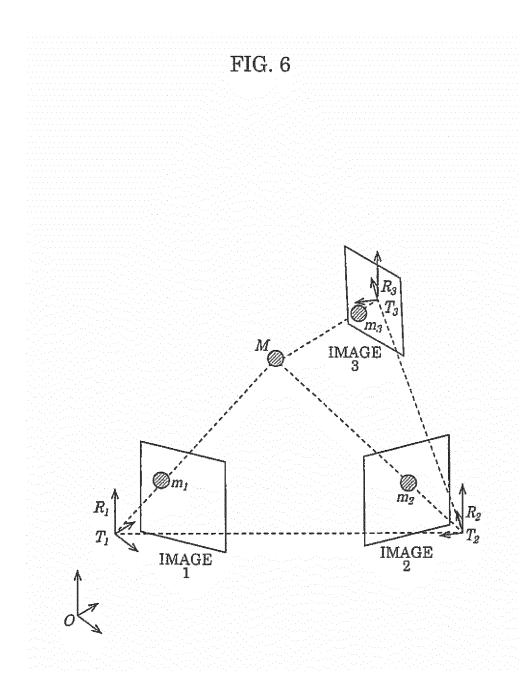
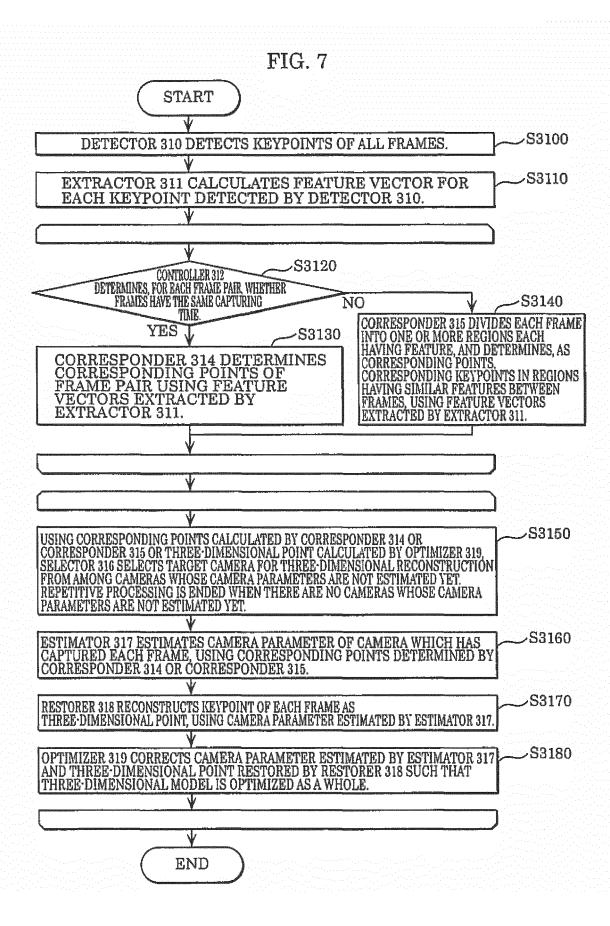
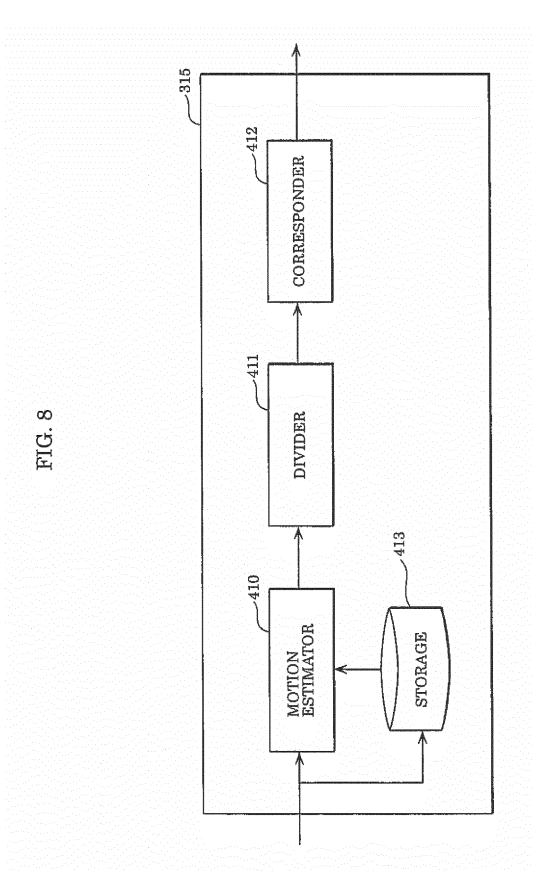


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REPETITIVE PROCESSING 2	100·1      FRAME	CAMERA 100-2 FRAME NUMBER 001	CAMERA 100-3 FRAME NUMBER 001	CAMERA 100-4 FRAME NUMBER 001	CAMERA 100-5 FRAME NUMBER 001	200-
REPETITIVE PROCESSING 3	CAMERA 100-1 FRAME NUMBER 002	CAMERA 100-2 FRAME NUMBER 002	CAMERA 100-3 FRAME NUMBER 001	CAMERA 100-4 FRAME NUMBER 001	CAMERA 100·5 FRAME NUMBER 001	200·
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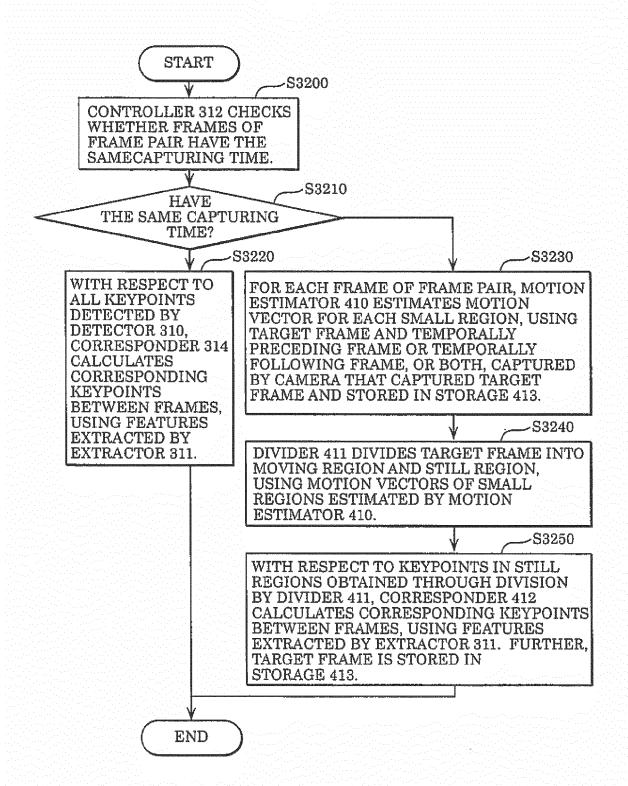








## FIG. 9



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