Joint Calibration of Cameras and Projectors for Multiview Phase Measuring Profilometry

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Existing camera-projector calibration for phase-measuring profilometry (PMP) is valid for only a single view. Abstract: To extend a single-view PMP to a multiview system, an additional calibration, such as Zhang's method, is necessary. In addition to calibrating phase-to-height relationships for each view, calibrating parameters of multiple cameras, lenses, and projectors by rotating a target is indeed cumbersome and often fails with the local optima of calibration solutions. In this work, to make multiview PMP calibration more convenient and reliable, we propose a joint calibration method by combining these two calibration modalities of phase-measuring profilometry and multiview geometry with high accuracy. To this end, we devise (1) a novel compact, static calibration target with planar surfaces of different orientations with fiducial markers and (2) a joint multiview optimization scheme of the projectors and the cameras, handling nonlinear lens distortion. First, we automatically detect the markers to estimate plane equation parameters of different surface orientations. We then solve homography matrices of multiple planes through target-aware bundle adjustment. Given unwrapped phase measurement, we calibrate intrinsic/extrinsic/lens-distortion parameters of every camera and projector without requiring any manual interaction with the calibration target. Only one static scene is required for calibration. Results validate that our calibration method enables us to combine multiview PMP measurements with high accuracy.

1 INTRODUCTION

Phase-measuring profilometry (PMP) system aims to reconstruct the 3D shape of a static object by capturing a series of phase-shift images with structured lights from a projector. In each iteration, a projector projects a unique sinusoidal structured light image to an object, and a camera captures an image of the object. Each pixel value of the structured light images represents an encoded output of phases, which indirectly represent the pixel indices in the screen space of the projector. Since a position of a pixel index in the projector is encoded into the structured light images, height information can be obtained from the phase map in sub-pixel resolution by decoding and unwrapping the series of images (Juarez-Salazar et al., 2019). Thanks to high accuracy in measuring 3D geometry, this method has been broadly used for a wide range of industries

The methods that map a phase to 3D data can be divided into the phase-height model and multi-

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view geometry model (Feng et al., 2021). A phaseheight model obtains a height of a point from the reference plane. It requires a pairwise calibration of the camera and the projector, which is based on a fractional form that requires strict geometric constraints that the camera and the projector should be located at the same height from the reference plane (Takeda and Mutoh, 1983), i.e., the z-axis of the camera and the projector should be parallel to each other and perpendicular to the reference plane. This factional formulation has been improved to linear inverse (Zhang et al., 2007; Sansoni et al., 2000; Xiao et al., 2012; Li et al., 1997) or polynomial (Li et al., 2006; Li et al., 2001; Guo et al., 2019; Ma et al., 2018; Chen et al., 2020; Cai et al., 2017). However, as the physical constraints are the basic assumption to solve the phase-height function, this phase-height model is very susceptible to hardware distortion, and it is often invalid if these constraints are not consistent. Note that this model does not describe explicit parameters including lens distortion, camera matrix, rotation, and translation so it is not directly applicable to a multiview system. An additional calibration step, such as

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Zhang's method (Zhang, 2000), is required to extend the model with another camera-projector pair.

In contrast, the multiview geometry model treats a projector in the system as an inverse pinhole camera. The phase represents the geometric relationship between the object point and the principal point of the projector. The multiview geometry model solves the 3D reconstruction problem by epipolar geometry, such as triangulation (Juarez-Salazar and Diaz-Ramirez, 2019; Jiang et al., 2018; Juarez-Salazar et al., 2019), or ray-plane intersection (Li et al., 2020; Feng et al., 2019). Moreover, the main benefit of the multiview geometry model is the explicit calibration of every parameter in each device. And thus, the multiview geometry models have scalability by means of explicitly calibrated parameters.

To this end, the traditional calibration methods for the pinhole camera model require multiple scenes with a moving checkerboard calibration target (Zhang, 2000). First, by estimating the homography matrices of each view of a checkerboard, we can compute the focal length, principal point, lens distortion, rotation, and translation parameters of each camera. Once obtaining the camera calibration model, we can project multiple checkerboard patterns on a whiteboard and solve the projector's calibration parameters, assuming it is a pinhole camera model (Lanman and Taubin, 2009; Moreno and Taubin, 2012). A self-calibration method could be used for optimizing device parameters if a system uses RGB-D camera (Ibrahim et al., 2023). However, calibrating a pair of a general RGB camera and a projector is cumbersome because the method requires several checkerboard images for not only the camera but also the projector, respectively. This calibration process requires capturing many checkerboard images by physically rotating the target every time. It is inconvenient and not easily implementable within a small or tiny room inside a 3D scanning instrument head.

In this paper, we propose a joint calibration of phase-measurement profilometry and multiview geometry, tackling the challenges of multiview PMP calibration. We design a static calibration target consisting of multiple planar surfaces with unique Aruco markers (Munoz-Salinas, 2012), as shown in Figure 1(b). Each surface in our calibration target has various positions and orientations, and thus we estimate the calibration of the intrinsic/extrinsic/lensdistortion parameters by extracting many homographies. These fiducial markers are used to precisely estimate the shape of the calibration target on an absolute scale.

Our static target can simplify the cumbersome calibration, removing manual interaction with a checkerboard in the traditional approach. On the other hand, it introduces a new challenge in optimizing camera and projector parameters due to the nonlinearity of the lens distortion model. Since the homography is decomposed into the camera matrix and the extrinsic matrix, it is important for a homography to take up a large scale of valid area in screen space. Otherwise, a homography with a small area in the screen space is overfitted to a specific range of radius parameter. Therefore, a homography valid in a large area acts like a constraint for intrinsics not to fall into local optima. Since optimization of intrinsic and extrinsic is a chicken-and-egg problem, it can also act as a constraint for extrinsics. Therefore, the traditional calibration method is valid because the target occupies a large area in the images. On the other hand, each surface of our target has a small area in the image as we intend to put as many surfaces in the image as possible. Our solution requires another constraint to the intrinsics or extrinsics. Adapting the traditional bundle adjustment (Triggs et al., 1999) to the multiview PMP problem, we devise a multiview constraint to the positions and orientations of every surface in our target.

Note that our calibration target design is flexible as long as it consists of a sufficient number of planar surfaces with detectable fiducial markers. In other words, we can freely customize the shape of the calibration target considering a camera-projector system configuration, such as the arrangement of devices, depth of field, or field of view of devices, etc. In addition, our bundle-adjusting calibration provides robust and accurate parameters that can reconstruct microscopic details. Since we also solve the shape of the calibration target, it is beneficial to modify the objective function in the bundle adjustment step with a dense pixel of inputs rather than specific feature points.

In summary, our key contributions are:

- A novel customizable static calibration target that can remove the need to move a calibration target during explicit calibration, making the PMP calibration efficient.
- A multiview PMP calibration that can avoid local optima in non-linear parameter optimization using a static calibration target, achieving high-accuracy registration of multiview geometry.

2 RELATED WORK

Recently, deep neural networks are widely applied to general problems of 3D reconstruction, such as single shot reconstruction (Li et al., 2022), noise filtering (Lin et al., 2020), or reducing artifacts caused by shadow (Wang and Pang, 2022) and shiny objects (Ueda et al., 2022). However, learning-based calibration has been rarely discussed in the previous literature. In this section, we therefore focus on traditional approaches and foundations of relevant phase-height models and multiview geometry models briefly.

2.1 Phase-Height Models

Linear Models. The traditional calibration models describe the inverse of a height h as a linear inverse function of $\Delta \psi$, where $\Delta \psi = \psi - \psi_{ref}$ and ψ_{ref} is a precalculated phase with the reference plane (Takeda and Mutoh, 1983; Zhang et al., 2007; Sansoni et al., 2000; Xiao et al., 2012; Li et al., 1997). However, a geometrical constraint that restricts the position of system devices is required. To relax the geometrical constraints, the phase-height function becomes more complex. To take the tilted camera or projector into account for the phase-height mapping, the main difference between the traditional model and the inverse linear model is that the coefficients used in the phase-height function are no more globally consistent. In other words, the coefficients differ pixel-by-pixel in the camera. Furthermore, the calibration of the linear inverse model mostly depends on the initial value of the parameters, so the calibration process will not converge if the initial parameters are too far from the optimal parameters. The main limitation is that the inverse linear model cannot well define nonlinear problems such as lens distortion into the phase-height function.

Polynomial Models. To deal with the nonlinearity, some approaches to modify the phase-height function from inverse linear to inverse polynomial are proposed (Li et al., 2006; Li et al., 2001). However, there still exists a convergence problem with wrong initial parameters. Due to the improvement of computational resources, many inverse polynomial models are recently introduced (Guo et al., 2019; Ma et al., 2018; Chen et al., 2020; Cai et al., 2017). To reduce the risk of non-convergence, an approach that attempts to approximate the inverse polynomial functions to a polynomial form has emerged (Zhang et al., 2011). However, the choice of the maximum order in the polynomial function should be sensitive due to Runge's phenomenon (Guo et al., 2005). The main limitation of these polynomial and inverse polynomial models are ineffectiveness and inconsistency. The models require pixel-wise coefficients for their phase-height function to relax the geometrical constraints.

Governing Equation Models. The main difference between governing equation model and the other phase-height models is that the governing equation model is a function of u, v, ψ , instead of $\Delta \psi$, where u and v are pixel indices of the camera. The basic governing equation is expressed in fractional form, where the highest order of u, v, ψ are 1 in both numerator and denominator (Du and Wang, 2007). Wang et al. focus on refining the relationship between the normalized coordinates and pixel index in a governing equation with higher orders (Wang et al., 2010). Lee et al. expand the model from phase-height function to phase-3D-point by calibrating three different governing equations of x, y, and h, respectively (Lee and Kim, 2017). By introducing the pixel indices as variables in the phase-height function, governing equation models consist of the global parameters rather than pixel-wise parameters (Léandry et al., 2012; Fu et al., 2013). Another advantage of a governing equation is distortion robustness. Since the denominator and numerator of the governing equation are both polynomials of u, v, ψ , the lens distortion of both camera and projector can apply to the parameters of the governing equation (Huang et al., 2010).

2.2 Multiview Geometry Models

Multiview geometry models are based on epipolar geometry. In practice, Zhang's approach (Zhang, 2000) has been commonly used by capturing multiple checkerboard images by moving a calibration target. This calibration assumes that the camera's and the projector's geometry follow the pinhole camera model. By estimating the homography matrices of each view of a checkerboard, we can compute the focal length, principal point, lens distortion, rotation, and translation parameters of each camera and projector. The reconstruction method can be ray-ray matching (Juarez-Salazar and Diaz-Ramirez, 2019; Jiang et al., 2018; Juarez-Salazar et al., 2019) or ray-plane matching (Li et al., 2020; Feng et al., 2019) by mapping phases to normalized coordinates of the projector. The main benefit of the multiview geometry model is the explicit calibration of every parameter in each device. However, since phase-height models focus on the physical and geometrical relationship of the camera, projector, and reference plane, the parameters of the phase-height models focus only on one camera-projector pair, which is inefficient for multiple camera-projector systems. Also, this process requires capturing many checkerboard images by physically rotating the target every time. It is inconvenient and not easily implementable within a small or tiny room inside a 3D scanning instrument head.

It is worth noting that these phase-height models cannot describe the implicit/explicit parameters and the lens distortion parameter of cameras and projectors. Thus, it is not directly applicable to a multiview system, requiring an additional calibration process, such as Zhang's method (Zhang, 2000). Even though a calibration method consisting of multiple cameras and projectors without any fiducial markers is proposed (Tehrani et al., 2019), the traditional scale ambiguity of structure-from-motion remains in reconstructed 3D geometry. Thus, we aim to combine these two modalities of the phase-to-height model and the multiview geometry model with improving multiview PMP calibration. To do so, we develop a novel design of a static calibration target and multiview calibration method. The following section provides technical details of our approach.

Bundle Adjustment. Bundle adjustment (Triggs et al., 1999) is an approach to calibrating optimal camera parameters. The bundle adjustment approach is also applicable to the camera-projector system. Furukawa et al. adopt bundle adjustment as the last step in the calibration procedure to refine the focal length parameter in the camera-projector system (Furuakwa et al., 2009). Garrido-Jurado et al. modify the bundle-adjustment step to calibrate the parameters of the camera-projector system (Garrido-Jurado et al., 2016). Li et al. introduce a weighted sum to the optimization objective in the calibration procedure (Li et al., 2019). Since they use bundle adjustment for self-calibration, the calibration procedure is initialized with the unknown shape of a target. Therefore, the accuracy of the system parameters and reconstruction often suffer from the lack of robustness depending on the complexity of the target shape because the calibration is processed with specific feature points and correspondences. In contrast, we leverage the fiducial markers that allow us to calibrate the system parameters robustly and also provide them with an absolute scale.

3 STATIC CALIBRATION TARGET DESIGN

Target Design. We design a novel calibration target especially designed for multiview PMP calibration. The 3D structure of our target consists of a set of planes. Since we compute extrinsic/intrinsic/lensdistortion parameters from estimated homographies from a single static target, we aim to have many different face orientations. Also, we want to detect face orientations using automatically detectable fidu-



Figure 1: Our novel PMP calibration target design. (a) Unfolded surfaces with unique fiducial markers, which are attached to the 3D model. (b) A fabricated calibration target.

cial markers, such as Aruco markers (Munoz-Salinas, 2012). Each plane is designed to have detectable markers with predefined local coordinates, and we set the plane's coordinate system at the bottom as reference world coordinates. In this case, optimizing a rotation and translation from the local coordinate system to the world coordinate system is required. Considering the printing resolution of the markers on each surface, we result in 18 polygons. They are attached on each face on a 3D structure (Figure 1b). Also, as we illuminate sinusoidal phase patterns on the target to get phase maps, we print patterns with middle gray colors. Its dimensions are $60 \times 60 \times 12.3$ mm. Note that the shape of the calibration target is not restricted to a specific form, and the target described in Figure 1 is a possible example that is applicable to our calibration method described in Section 4.

Target Geometry Model. Our calibration target consists of independent planar surfaces which have their own local coordinates. For convenience, let surface index 0 be the reference surface at the bottom. i.e., the local coordinate system of surface 0 is the same as the world coordinate system. Each surface of our target has enough numbers (3 at least and 12 at most) of Aruco markers. Each marker has a unique ID to recognize which surface the corners of the marker lay on.

Given a point $\mathbf{X}_{si} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{si} & y_{si} & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{\mathsf{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ be an local coordinate of the *i*-th corner point in surface *s*, the corresponding world coordinates are

$$\mathbf{\hat{X}}_{w} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{s} & \mathbf{t}_{s} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{\hat{X}}_{si} , \qquad (1)$$

where the hat symbol denotes that a point is expressed in a homogeneous coordinate notation, and \mathbf{R}_s , \mathbf{t}_s are the rotation/translation from local coordinates of surface *s* to world coordinates. Then given rotation and translation of surface *s*, we can derive a plane equation in terms of \mathbf{n}_s , the normal of the surface and c_s , the constant of the surface as: $\mathbf{n}_s \cdot \mathbf{X}_w + c_s = 0$, where $\mathbf{n}_s = \mathbf{R}_s \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{\mathsf{T}}$ and $c_s = -\mathbf{n}_s \cdot \mathbf{t}_s$.

4 NONLINEAR OPTIMIZATION OF PMP CALIBRATION

Overview. Our nonlinear optimization of calibration consists of four main steps: First, we detect fiducial markers to obtain plane equations of each surface on the target. The corner points observed by multiview cameras let us initially calibrate each camera's parameters as initial. We then illuminate phaseshift images of different frequencies to compute an unwrapped phase map for each camera-and-projector pair. Given the phase maps of all pairs, we compute the depth values of every pixel in phase maps. Lastly, by minimizing the sum of distances between the estimated depths and the target planes, we optimize the camera/project parameters iteratively.

4.1 Initial Camera Calibration Using Target

Camera/Projector Models. We first formulate the geometry of the camera and the projector by using the standard pinhole camera model. We also include a sixth-order radial distortion model for the perspective camera. The telecentric camera is formulated by removing the *z* projection component from the camera model. The projector is based on the inverse pinhole camera model. Refer to the supplemental document for more details.

To calibrate the parameters of a camera in a single shot, it is required to capture multiple surfaces with markers in a single image. Theoretically, at least three surfaces with different poses should be captured to build homographies (Zhang, 2000). The optimization process consists of two steps. First, a *i*-th corner on a surface *s* is projected to undistorted image coordinate \mathbf{p}_{csi} (refer to Section 1 in the supplemental document). Second, the undistorted pixel index $\mathbf{p}_{csi}^{undist}$ is achieved by the distortion removal process with the pixel index or detected corner in the image. Then the loss can be defined as the square of the Euclidean distance of pixels in the image space between \mathbf{p}_{csi} and $\mathbf{p}_{csi}^{undist}$:

$$\mathcal{L}_{csi}(\mathbf{p}_{csi}^{\prime}, \mathbf{X}_{si}) \tag{2}$$

$$= \|\mathbf{p}_{csi}^{\text{undist}}(\mathbf{p}'_{csi};\mathbf{K}_c,\mathbf{d}_c) - \mathbf{p}_{csi}(\mathbf{X}_{si};\mathbf{R}_c,\mathbf{t}_c,\mathbf{K}_c,\mathbf{R}_s,\mathbf{t}_s)\|_2^2.$$



(c) Phase maps of four different frequencies (d) Final unwrapped phase map

Figure 2: (a) Phase-shifting pattern examples with a frequency (f = 4). (b) The reconstructed phase map. (c) Phase maps of four different frequencies. (d) Final unwrapped phase map from camera 1.

Let \mathbf{S}_{cam} , $\mathbf{S}_{surface}$ denote a set of cameras and surfaces, Θ_{cam} , $\Theta_{surface}$ denote a set of parameter $\theta_c = {\mathbf{K}_c, \mathbf{R}_c, \mathbf{t}_c, \mathbf{d}_c}$ and $\theta_s = {\mathbf{R}_s, \mathbf{t}_s}$ for every camera $c \in \mathbf{S}_{cam}$ and surface $s \in \mathbf{S}_{surface}$, the optimization minimizes the sum of losses for every *c* and corner simultaneously.

$$\underset{\Theta_{\text{surface}},\Theta_{\text{cam}}}{\text{minimize}} \sum_{c \in \mathbf{S}_{\text{cam}}} \sum_{s \in \mathbf{S}_{\text{surface}}} \sum_{i} \mathbf{L}_{csi}(\mathbf{p}'_{csi}, \mathbf{X}_{si}).$$
(3)

In the optimization process, the world coordinates of every Aruco marker's corner are shared globally. It prevents a specific camera's parameters from falling into local minima because the loss of other cameras increases when it happens. With the multiview constraint, the parameters of every camera and the pose of every surface converge globally.

4.2 Phase Extraction

A sequence of *N* sinusoidal structured light images with a frequency *f* encodes a phase, which is linearly related to the pixel index of a projector in vertical or horizontal direction (Feng et al., 2021). For $k \in [0, N - 1]$, when the *n*-th structured light image with frequency *f* is projected onto an object, the reflected light is captured by a camera with the intensity of $\mathbf{I}_{fk}(u,v)$ for each pixel u,v. The pixel intensity is formulated as follows:

$$\mathbf{I}_{fk}(u,v) = \mathbf{I}_a(u,v) + \mathbf{I}_b(u,v)\cos(\phi_f(u,v) + 2\pi k/N),$$
(4)

where $\phi_f(u, v) \in [-f\pi, f\pi]$. We then easily reconstruct the phase ϕ by

$$\phi_f(u,v) = \tan^{-1} \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} I_{fk}(u,v) \sin(2\pi k/N)}{\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} I_{fk}(u,v) \cos(2\pi k/N)}.$$
 (5)

We capture images with structured lights of four frequencies: 1, 4, 16, and 64. A sequence of wrapped



Figure 3: Visualization of our bundle-adjusting calibration. Once we obtain an unwrapped phase map, we can measure depth by computing an intersection point $\mathbf{X}_{intersect}$ with a plane formed by $x_{n,p}$ (green plane) and a camera vector \mathbf{x}_n (blue arrow). Given $\mathbf{X}_{intersect}$, our nonlinear optimization updates the camera and the projector's parameters iteratively by minimizing the distance between $\mathbf{X}_{intersect}$ and $\mathbf{X}_{intersect}^{projected}$ (red line) along the surface normal \mathbf{n}_s of the target surface *s* (red arrow).

phase $\phi_f(u, v)$ is unwrapped to obtain $\Psi(u, v)$. Note that we print the fiducial markers with the middle gray color in order to decode phase shift patterns without artifacts. See Figure 2 for an example. Refer to the supplemental document for more details.

Phase Outlier Removal. Since a phase map produced by a series of images is weak to the noise of the images, a minor noise occurring to a pixel of a single image can bring about serious errors in 3D points. Therefore, we must filter out the noisy phases from the phase map to reconstruct the correct shape. Refer to the supplemental document.

4.3 Nonlinear Optimization

Depth by Intersection. Given a pair of camera pixel (u_c, v_c) and phase $(\Psi_u(u_c, v_c), \Psi_v(u_c, v_c))$ achieved by horizontally and horizontally structured light, we can obtain the intersection point **X**_{intersect} by computing an intersection point between a phase plane from the projector and a ray vector from the camera. In Figure 3, $x_{n,p}$ (or $y_{n,p}$) can be obtained with $(\Psi_u(u_c, v_c), \Psi_v(u_c, v_c))$ and projector intrinsics. Then, given the line $x = x_{n,p}$ (or $y = y_{n,p}$) on the normalized projector plane and the projector's center of projection (COP) **O**_p, we can calculate the normal of phase plane **n**_p (green arrow). Then the phase plane (green plane) can be expressed as $\{\mathbf{X} : \mathbf{n}_p \cdot (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{O}_p) = 0\}$, where **X** is a point in the world coordinates.

And we can express a unit vector of pixel ray from the camera (blue arrow) as $\mathbf{v}_c = \mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{O}_c$, where \mathbf{x}_n is the point on normalized camera plane gained by pixel coordinates (u_c, v_c) , and \mathbf{O}_c is the COP of the camera. Then, point **X** can be expressed as {**X** : **X** = \mathbf{O}_c + $\lambda \mathbf{v}_c$ }. Then we can figure out **X**_{intersect} by solving λ ,

$$z_c = \lambda = \frac{\mathbf{n}_p \cdot (\mathbf{O}_p - \mathbf{O}_c)}{\mathbf{n}_p \cdot \mathbf{v}_c}.$$
 (6)

Similarly, we can represent point **X** captured by a telecentric lens camera as $\{\mathbf{X} : \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}_n + \lambda \mathbf{v}_c\}$, where $\mathbf{v}_c = \mathbf{R}_c^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{\mathsf{T}}$. Then we can solve λ as

$$z_c = \lambda - 1,$$
 $\lambda = \frac{\mathbf{n}_p \cdot (\mathbf{O}_p - \mathbf{x}_n)}{\mathbf{n}_p \cdot \mathbf{v}_c}.$ (7)

Then the intersection point is $\mathbf{X}_{\text{intersect}} = \mathbf{O}_c + \lambda \mathbf{v}_c$ with the pinhole camera, and $\mathbf{X}_{\text{intersect}} = \mathbf{x}_n + \lambda \mathbf{v}_c$ with the telecentric lens camera.

Bundle-Adjusting Optimization. Let \mathbf{S}_{proj} and Θ_{proj} denote a set of projectors and a set of parameter $\Theta_p = {\mathbf{K}_p, \mathbf{R}_p, \mathbf{t}_p, \mathbf{d}_p}$ for every projector $p \in \mathbf{S}_{\text{proj}}$. For each surface *s* of our target, we can obtain the pixel area A(c,s) of the same orientation, where the marker exists in the camera image *c*, because each fiducial marker has a unique ID. Since the pose of a surface of the target is optimized in Section 4.1, we can define a loss of bundle adjustment as a distance between $\mathbf{X}_{\text{intersect}}$ and a surface (red line) along the surface normal (red arrow):

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{bundle}}(c, p, s) = \sum_{(u_c, v_c) \in A(c, s)} \{ \mathbf{n}_s \mathbf{X}_{\text{intersect}}(u_c, v_c, \psi_{u, p}(u_c, v_c), \psi_{v, p}(u_c, v_c); \mathbf{\theta}_c, \mathbf{\theta}_p) + c_s \}^2.$$
(8)

Since cameras and projectors affect each other, the overall bundle adjustment process should be performed simultaneously:

$$\underset{\Theta_{\text{cam}},\Theta_{\text{proj}}}{\text{minimize}} \sum_{p \in \mathbf{S}_{\text{proj}}} \sum_{c \in \mathbf{S}_{\text{cam}}} \sum_{s \in \mathbf{S}_{\text{surface}}} \mathcal{L}_{\text{bundle}}(c, p, s).$$
(9)

Unlike other existing camera-projector calibration methods using bundle-adjustment approach (Furuakwa et al., 2009; Garrido-Jurado et al., 2016; Li et al., 2019), we introduce an additional condition that the calibration target consists of planar surfaces and assume their orientations are known via Equation (3). Therefore, the objective function has a form of the sum of point-plane distance errors rather than reprojection errors. We have achieved sufficiently accurate parameters, through our calibration target and bundleadjustment approach, to reconstruct microscopic details of the object without requiring additional uniform color illumination as needed in (Li et al., 2019).

4.4 Reconstruction

Prior to reconstructing 3D point clouds, we measure a confidence map corresponding to a depth map. A confidence map is used for two purposes. First, we can filter out the points with low confidence. Second, confidence values can be used to refine the 3D shape. For each \mathbf{D}_c , a depth map achieved from a camera *c* is required to calculate the confidence of each pixel. Given $\mathbf{X}_c(u, v)$, a 3D point obtained from $\mathbf{D}_c(u, v)$ can be transformed into the camera coordinate of another camera *c'*:

$$\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{c'} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{c'} \\ \mathbf{y}_{c'} \\ \mathbf{z}_{c'} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{c'} & \mathbf{t}_{c'} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{c} & \mathbf{t}_{c} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{X}}_{c}.$$
 (10)

Then the point $\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{c'}$ can be projected to a pixel $\mathbf{p}_{c'} = [u' \quad v']^{\mathsf{T}}$. Finally, in terms of the difference between the $z_{c'}$ and $\mathbf{D}_{c'}(u', v')$, the confidence of the pixel (u, v) with the camera *c* is computed as follows

$$\mathbf{C}_{c,c'}(u,v) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } V_{c'}(\mathbf{X}_c(u,v)) = 0, \\ \exp\{-(z_{c'} - \mathbf{D}'_c(u',v'))^2\}, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$
(11)

where $V_{c'}$ is a visibility term which is 1 if $\mathbf{X}_c(u,v)$ is visible to c' and 0 otherwise. The final confidence $\mathbf{C}_c(u,v)$ is obtained by

$$\mathbf{C}_{c}(u,v) = \prod_{c' \in \mathbf{S}_{\operatorname{cam}}, c' \neq c} \mathbf{C}_{c,c'}(u,v).$$
(12)

Then we can get rid of the pixels that $\mathbf{C}_c(u, v) < \tau_{\text{conf.}}$

After all, a set of total point clouds and corresponding confidences are obtained by spreading out \mathbf{D}_c and \mathbf{C}_c to the world space for every camera $c \in \mathbf{S}_{cam}$. Now let $\mathbf{S}_{total,c}(u,v)$ be a set whose element is a paired depth d of visible point \mathbf{X}_c in the total point cloud from a pixel (u,v) of camera c and corresponding confidence weight ω . Then the refined depth map $\mathbf{D}_c^{refined}$ is obtained as a weighted sum of depth whose weight is the confidence as follows:

$$\mathbf{D}_{c}^{\text{refined}}(u,v) = \frac{\sum_{(d,\omega)\in\mathbf{S}_{\text{total},c}(u,v)}\boldsymbol{\omega}\cdot\boldsymbol{d}}{\sum_{(d,\omega)\in\mathbf{S}_{\text{total},c}(u,v)}\boldsymbol{\omega}}.$$
 (13)

5 EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

Experiment Setup. We build a multiview PMP setup with five cameras and four projectors. We place a telecentric-lens camera on top and four ordinary cameras in four cardinal directions on a metallic support. On top of each side camera, we install four projectors illuminating four different frequencies with



Figure 4: Schematic diagram of the cross-section view of our multiview PMP imaging setup.

four tap phase shifts with $\pi/2$ intervals. See Figure 4. Since we design our target convex for each side of the target to get as much light from a projector as possible, we pair a projector with every camera except for the camera in the opposite direction in the calibration procedure. On the other hand, we pair a projector only with the top-view camera and the camera on the same side in the reconstruction procedure to reduce the risk of noise produced from the shadowed area of a non-convex object. We have implemented our optimization with the Adam optimizer in Pytorch, and rigid body transformations are optimized via Lietorch (Teed and Deng, 2021).

5.1 Multiview Reconstruction Results

Now we demonstrate multiview 3D reconstruction results.

Real-World Object Results. Figure 5 demonstrates our multiview 3D reconstruction results. From the leftmost end, we show (a) photographs of objects, (b) multiview phases from different views, (c) the combined depth, and (d) the final 3D reconstruction results rendered in different angles. As shown in the coin object, the microscale geometry of the object is captured with high accuracy, i.e., the height of the Queen's relief is less than $500 \,\mu$ m. The side geometry of the coin is also clearly acquired by the sideview observation registered by our method with high accuracy. Moreover, the detailed geometries, such as letters inscribed in the statue, are well reconstructed in our method. Other objects' front and side surfaces, like dolls, can be scanned with high accuracy. Also, note that the front surfaces of the object are reconstructed with multiview phase maps. No artifact at the front reflects highly accurate registration results by our calibration method.

Multiview Reconstruction Accuracy. In order to evaluate the registration accuracy of multiview depth maps to the final geometry, we compare our multiview 3D reconstruction results with 3D geometry acquired by a commercial laser scanner, NextEngine. To achieve the most detailed and accurate geometry



Figure 5: 3D reconstruction results of real-world objects. (a) Photographs of objects. (b) Multiview phase maps. (c) Combined depth maps. (d) 3D reconstruction rendered in different views.

from the scanner, we use one-pass scanning results by the scanner. For a fair comparison, we compare the one-pass scan results with our multiview reconstruction results, evaluating Hausdorff's distance between the laser-scanned 3D data and the point cloud reconstructed by our method. Note that the distances in overlapping areas are significantly low, while high errors occur only when there is no geometry in the NextEngine scan results. As shown in Figure 6, our reconstructed geometry from multiview phase measurements presents a good agreement with geometry measurement by the commercial scanner. This means that the system parameters estimated by our nonlinear optimization using our static target are highly accurate.

Confidence Filtering. Before reconstructing 3D geometry, it is essential to estimate a confidence map given a depth map. Since we measure the confidence of a depth map pixel-by-pixel by comparing depth maps in the multi-view system, we can mitigate the risk of reconstructing invalid depths from the wrong phase input. Given the geometrical relationships between multiple views, we can measure reliability and filter them out by evaluating if a point is not supposed to exist in the depth maps of the other views. As shown in Figure 7(b), the leg of the knight on the leftmost side of the image produces invalid phase input to a camera view because its points are not reconstructed in a consistent place by the camera. It validates that our confidence-based filter algorithm performs well in removing unreliable points. Then, other reliable

depth values are combined into the final 3D geometry as shown in Figure 7(d).

5.2 Camera Intrinsic Compared with Zhang's Method

To validate parameters calibrated by our method, we compare the reprojection errors of our method for 9×8 checkerboard corners with standard Zhang's method (Zhang, 2000). To do this, we prepare a calibration image set consisting of 15 images of different checkerboard poses to calibrate Zhang's method. The reprojection errors are measured with the same validation image set for both Zhang's and our method. Tab. 1 shows the reprojection error results, and Fig. 8 shows the checkerboard images marked with reprojected corners of Zhang's and ours. Since we use a static target where each surface orientation is fixed and surface orientation observation locally isolated, the errors of our method tend to be higher than Zhang's. However, we demonstrate that our method shows errors of less than 1 pixel. The error difference between the standard method and ours is very similar even only our method does not require changing the surface orientation and our method just uses the single static scene of our target.

5.3 View-Pairwise Consistency Results

In this section, we demonstrate that each depth map built from a view before the final reconstruction fits



Figure 6: Accuracy evaluation of our registration using the optimized calibration parameters. (a) 3D geometry captured by a commercial scanner. (b) Our multiview reconstruction result. (c) Hausdorff's distance map. Blue means zero error.



Figure 7: Our confidence filtering results. (a) Object photographs from different views. (b) Estimated depth maps from each view. (c) Confidence maps that we computed through reprojection. (d) Final 3D reconstruction result rendered from each view.

Table 1: Reprojection errors of the validation sets of images with standard pinhole camera calibration method and our method.

	Zh	ang	Ours		
	RMSE	MAE	RMSE	MAE	
Cam 0	0.4938	0.1892	0.8543	0.3513	
Cam 1	0.4028	0.1590	0.5612	0.2116	
Cam 2	0.3416	0.1348	0.4058	0.1570	
Cam 3	0.4349	0.1664	0.7204	0.2794	

well. The overall process and corresponding middle results are shown in Fig. 9. It is evidence of accurate calibration that a point cloud generated from a view has a consistent shape with respect to the point cloud from another view without any post-processing, such as rigid-body registration. The results described in this section are measured with point clouds before the final reconstruction sampled with voxels whose diameter is 0.025mm.



Figure 8: The images (top) and their close-ups (bottom). (a) 9×8 checkerboard image marked with detected corners. (b) Corners reprojected by Zhang's method. (c) Corners reprojected by our method.

Table 2: Statistics including mean and standard deviation (SD) of Hausdorff's distance between point clouds generated by four side-views and top view for various real-world objects.

		View 0	View 1	View 2	View 3
Owl	Mean	0.0817	0.1149	0.126	0.1197
	SD	0.1077	0.1536	0.1626	0.1489
Pouch	Mean	0.0393	0.0427	0.0493	0.0367
	SD	0.0534	0.0689	0.0772	0.0527
Cat	Mean	0.1168	0.0851	0.1024	0.0945
	SD	0.1504	0.1129	0.1334	0.1304
Tire	Mean	0.1027	0.0795	0.0961	0.0953
	SD	0.1496	0.1228	0.1432	0.1429
Girl statue	Mean	0.0605	0.0565	0.0488	0.0687
	SD	0.0826	0.0853	0.0663	0.1028
Canon holder	Mean	0.1091	0.0691	0.1382	0.1043
	SD	0.1566	0.1205	0.1643	0.1423
Singapore lion statue	Mean	0.0945	0.0947	0.0906	0.0838
	SD	0.1479	0.1416	0.1404	0.1400
Yellow doll	Mean	0.1188	0.1058	0.1825	0.0986
	SD	0.1669	0.1515	0.2125	0.1242
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Hausdorff Distance. First, we measure Hausdorff's distance between point clouds generated from a different view. Since the top-view camera mainly observes an object, we compare each point cloud generated from a side-view camera with the point cloud generated from the top-view camera. Since there must be a region that is not overlapped, we measure the mean and variance of Hausdorff's distances less than 0.5mm to accurately measure the distance between overlapped regions. Tab. 2 shows the statistical results for Hausdorff's distances of the objects in the paper and supplemental. We can figure out that every depth map fits each other with the distance in the range between 30µm to 200µm. Fig. 10 shows the point clouds colored by Hausdorff's distances, we can figure out that Hausdorff's distance of a point in the overlapped region is extremely low.

Iterative Closest Point. Secondly, we measure the errors between point clouds by registration of a point cloud from side-view to the point cloud from top



Figure 9: 3D reconstruction results of real-world objects with a top-view (the first row) and 4 side-views (the second to the fifth row). (a) Photographs of objects. (b) Multiview phase maps. (c) Multiview depth maps. (d) Multiview confidence maps. (e) Multiview combined depth maps. (f) 3D reconstruction rendered in different views.



Figure 10: Point clouds are generated by depth maps of top and side views and their geometry differences. (a) Point clouds generated by top view. (b) Point clouds generated by side view. (c) Geometry differences measured as Hausdorff's distance.

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	View 1		View 2		View 3		View 4	
	$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R})$	$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{t})$	$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R})$	$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{t})$	$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R})$	$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{t})$	$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R})$	$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{t})$
Owl	0.0105	0.2491	0.0096	0.1145	0.0077	0.2770	0.0102	0.1077
Pouch	0.0033	0.0870	0.0027	0.1099	0.0012	0.0588	0.0022	0.0465
Cat	0.0143	0.2934	0.0036	0.1316	0.0084	0.1095	0.0124	0.3287
Tire	0.0053	0.1910	0.0019	0.0552	0.0038	0.0918	0.0034	0.1425
Girl statue	0.0054	0.0365	0.0046	0.0695	0.0016	0.1008	0.0094	0.1661
Canon holder	0.0017	0.2710	0.0026	0.2155	0.0014	0.3009	0.0031	0.2427
Singapore lion statue	0.0066	0.2092	0.0033	0.0946	0.0062	0.1669	0.0054	0.0828
Yellow doll	0.0139	0.1937	0.0182	0.3800	0.0157	0.4056	0.0141	0.1515
Mean	0.0008	0.1914	0.0058	0.1463	0.0006	0.1889	0.0075	0.1586

Table 3: Errors of transformations of **R** and **t** with various real-world objects.

view (Wang and Solomon, 2019). To do this, given **R** and **t** which represent the transform calculated from Iterative Closest Point algorithm (Chen and Medioni, 1992), it is obvious that $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}_3$ and $\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{0}_3$ where \mathbf{I}_3 and $\mathbf{0}_3$ 3×3 denote identity matrix and 3×1 zero vector. We define errors of rotation and translation as $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R}) = ||\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{I}_3||_F$ and $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{t}) = ||\mathbf{t}||_2$. Tab. 3 shows the measured error of ICP transformation from each side-view 1, 2, 3, and 4 to the top-view with objects in the main paper and supplement. The reason that the value of $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{t})$ is higher than Hausdorff's distance described in Tab. 2 is supposed to be due to the small misalignment of the rotations.

6 CONCLUSION

We have presented a phase-measuring profilometry calibration method specially designed for multiview PMP systems. We propose a novel compact, static calibration target design, which is applicable to existing PMP instrument heads even with a small room for calibration. We tackle the overfitting problem of calibration parameters that often occurs in the static calibration of multiview geometry. We resolve this challenge by devising a multiview-based bundle-adjusting approach. Our nonlinear optimization method can acquire explicit calibration parameters not only for projectors but also for perspective/telecentric cameras with high accuracy. No physical interaction is required during the calibration process. We anticipate that our method makes the multiview PMP calibration process simpler, and it is beneficial for the 3D imaging industry as it can achieve high-accuracy registration of multiview input.

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