

Construction of a Mosaic from an Underwater Video

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1. Loop detection problem

Example. We are driving a car in the desert. We measure the speed of the car and its orientation. We have no GPS, no camera.

Problem. Count the number of loops we made.



Robot: We consider a state equation

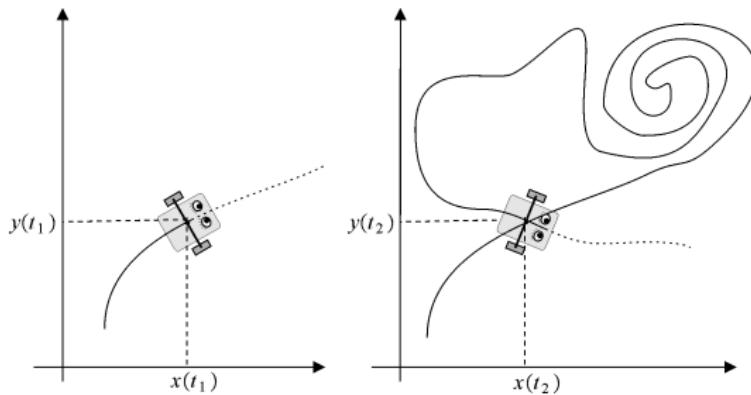
$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) \\ \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) \end{cases}$$

u: proprioceptive sensors

y: exteroceptive sensors

Problem: detect loops with proprioceptive (reliable) and exteroceptive (unreliable) sensors.

t-plane

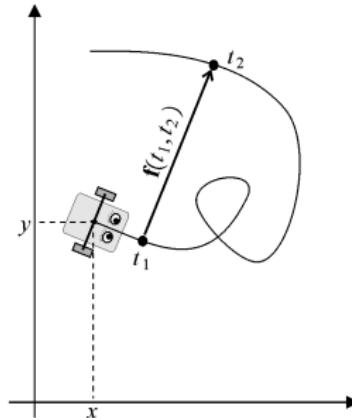
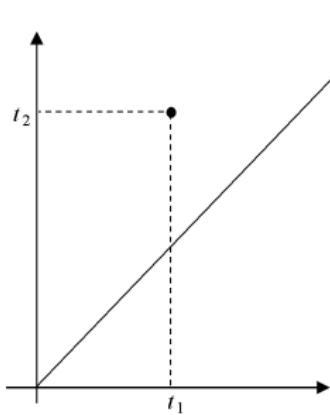


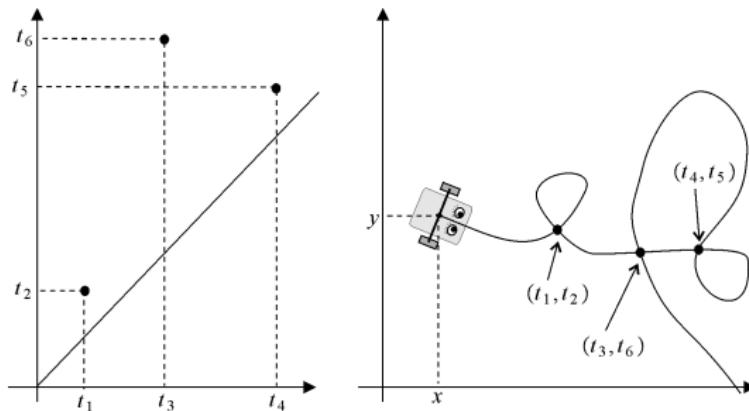
Define the shift function

$$\mathbf{f}(t_1, t_2) = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \mathbf{v}(\tau) d\tau.$$

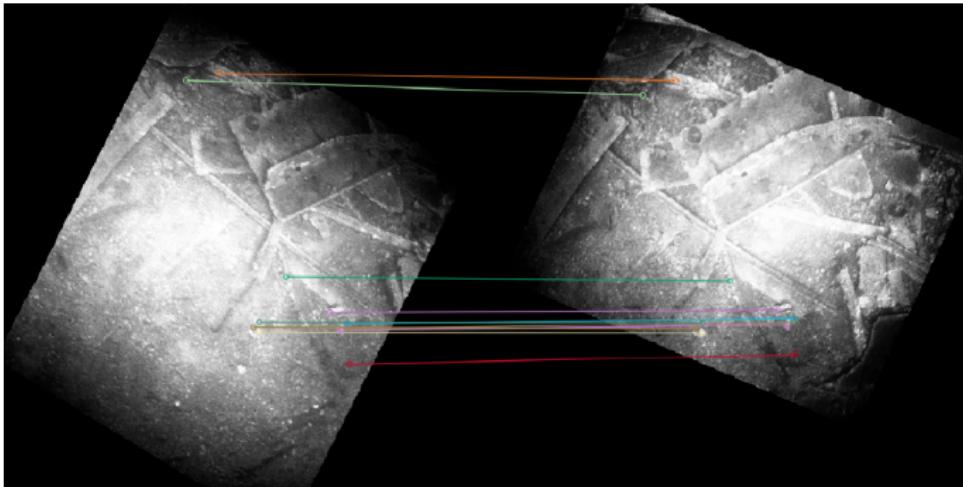
The loop set is

$$\mathbb{T} = \{(t_1, t_2) \in [0, t_{\max}]^2 \mid \mathbf{f}(t_1, t_2) = \mathbf{0}, t_2 > t_1\}$$





4. Reliability in perception



Are you sure we made a loop ?

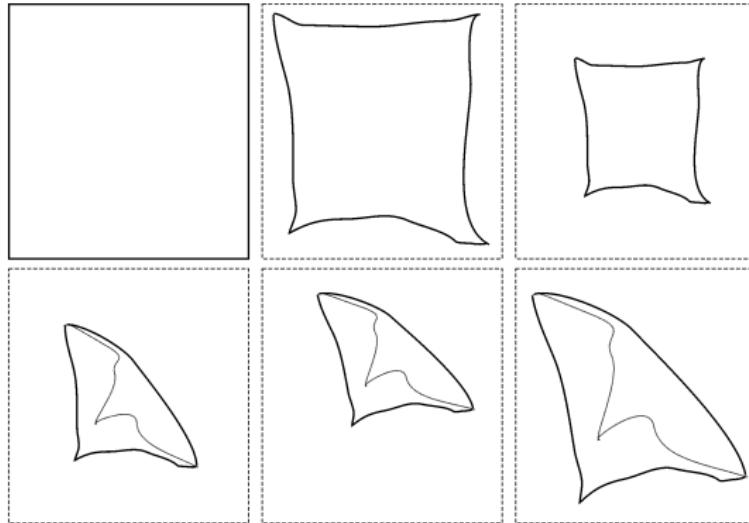


Find 10
differences



2. Brouwer fixed point theorem

Brouwer fixed point theorem (1909). Any continuous function \mathbf{n} from bounded convex subset of \mathbb{R}^n to itself has a fixed point \mathbf{x} ;
i.e., $\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$.



Distortion; narrowing; folding; shifting; enlargement : at least one point has not moved

Example. If

$$\mathbf{n}(t_1, t_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(t_1 - t_2^2) \\ \sin(t_1 t_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since

$$\mathbf{n}([-1, 1], [-1, 1]) \subset [-1, 1] \times [-1, 1]$$

we conclude

$$\exists (t_1, t_2) \in [-1, 1]^2 \mid \mathbf{n}(t_1, t_2) = (t_1, t_2).$$

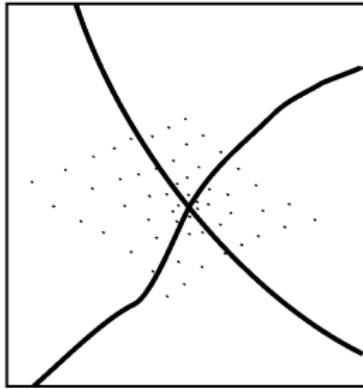
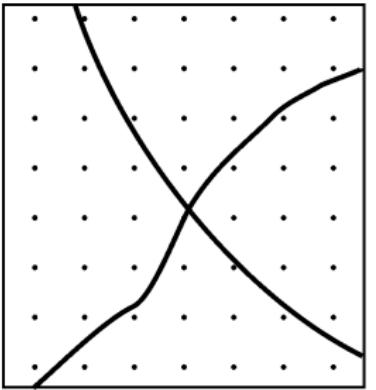
Define

$$\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{x}$$

where $\mathbf{x} = (t_1, t_2)$. We have

$$\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0},$$

then using Brouwer theorem we can detect loops.



3. Interval analysis

Problem. Given $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and a box $[\mathbf{x}] \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, prove that

$$\forall \mathbf{x} \in [\mathbf{x}], f(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0.$$

Example. Is the function

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = x_1 x_2 - (x_1 + x_2) \cos x_2 + \sin x_1 \cdot \sin x_2 + 2$$

always positive for $x_1, x_2 \in [-1, 1]$?

Interval arithmetic

$$\begin{aligned} [-1,3] + [2,5] &= [1,8] \\ [-1,3] \cdot [2,5] &= [-5,15] \\ \sin([0,2]) &= [0,1] \end{aligned}$$

The interval extension of

$$\begin{aligned}f(x_1, x_2) &= x_1 \cdot x_2 - (x_1 + x_2) \cdot \cos x_2 \\&\quad + \sin x_1 \cdot \sin x_2 + 2\end{aligned}$$

is

$$\begin{aligned}[f]([x_1], [x_2]) &= [x_1] \cdot [x_2] - ([x_1] + [x_2]) \cdot \cos [x_2] \\&\quad + \sin [x_1] \cdot \sin [x_2] + 2.\end{aligned}$$

Theorem (Moore, 1970)

$$[f]([\mathbf{x}]) \subset \mathbb{R}^+ \Rightarrow \forall \mathbf{x} \in [\mathbf{x}], f(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0$$

Theorem (Moore-Brouwer)

For $\mathbf{n} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, we have

$$[\mathbf{n}]([\mathbf{x}]) \subset [\mathbf{x}] \Rightarrow \exists \mathbf{x} \in [\mathbf{x}], \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}.$$

Bracketting sets

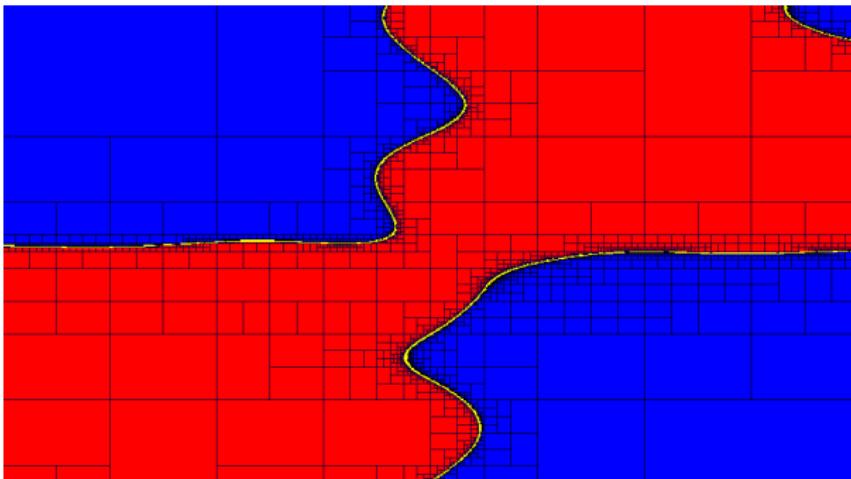
Subsets $\mathbb{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ can be bracketed by subpavings :

$$\mathbb{X}^- \subset \mathbb{X} \subset \mathbb{X}^+.$$

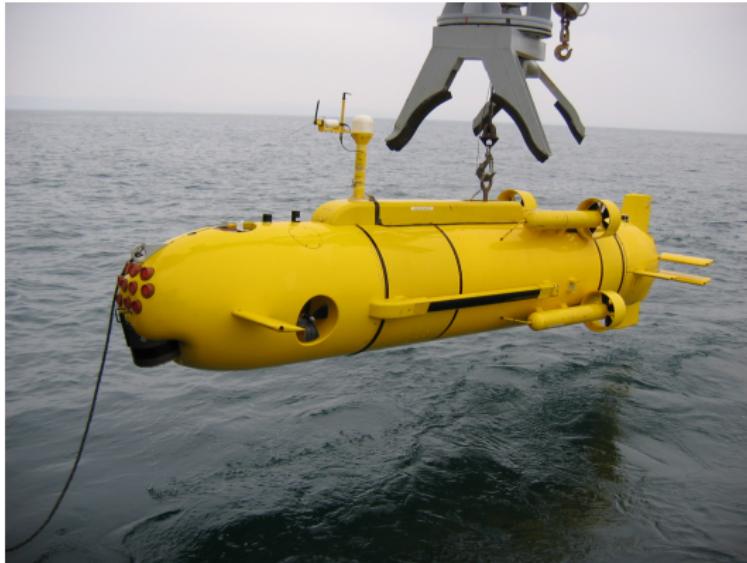
which can be obtained using interval calculus

Example.

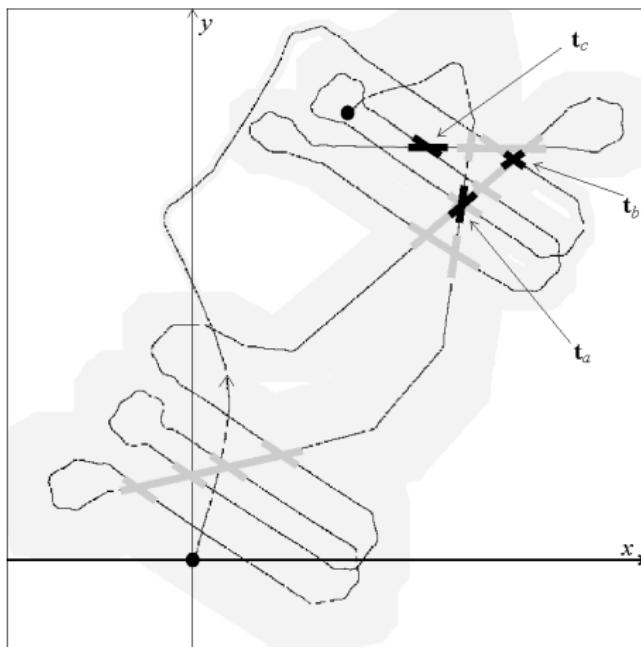
$$\mathbb{X} = \{\mathbf{x} \mid x_1x_2 - (x_1 + x_2) \cos x_2 + \sin x_1 \cdot \sin x_2 + 2 \geq 0\}.$$



4. Test-case



Redermor, DGA-TN



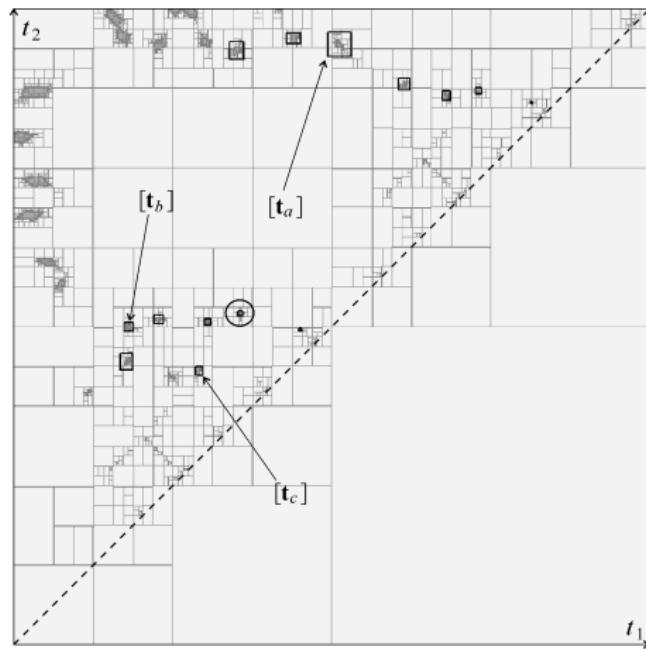
Loop set

The robot knows a box $[\mathbf{v}](t)$ for $\mathbf{v}(t)$. We have

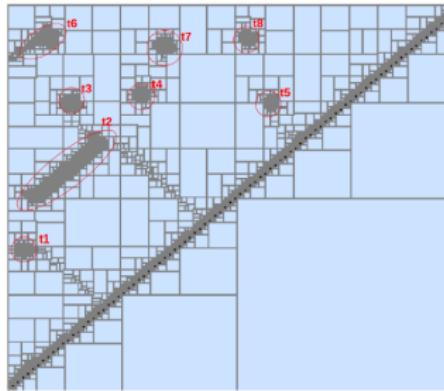
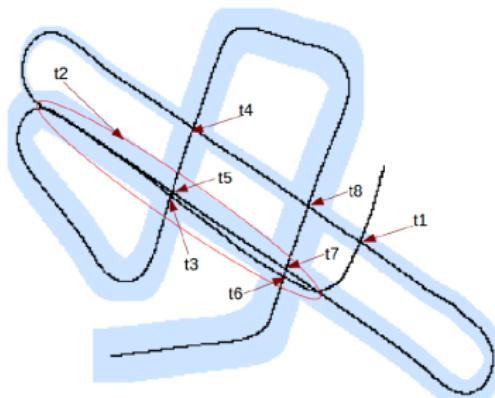
$$\mathbb{T} = \left\{ (t_1, t_2) \in [0, t_{\max}]^2 \mid \exists \mathbf{v} \in [\mathbf{v}], \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \mathbf{v}(\tau) d\tau = \mathbf{0}, t_1 < t_2 \right\}$$

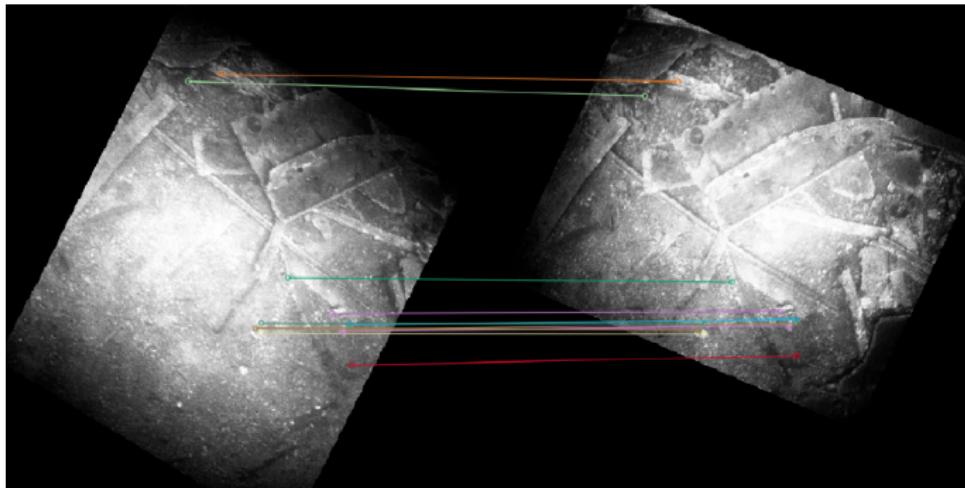
Thus \mathbb{T} is defined by

$$\mathbf{h}(t_1, t_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \mathbf{v}^-(\tau) d\tau \\ -\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \mathbf{v}^+(\tau) d\tau \\ t_1 - t_2 \end{pmatrix} < \mathbf{0}.$$

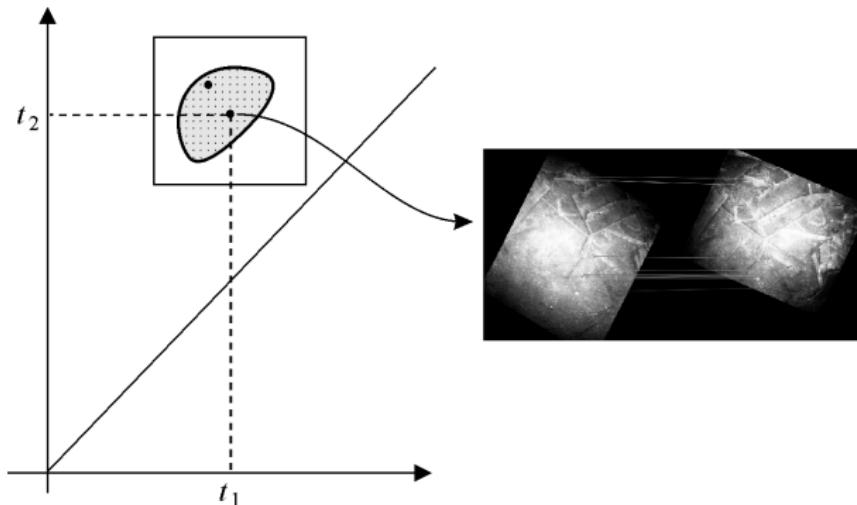


Mosaic

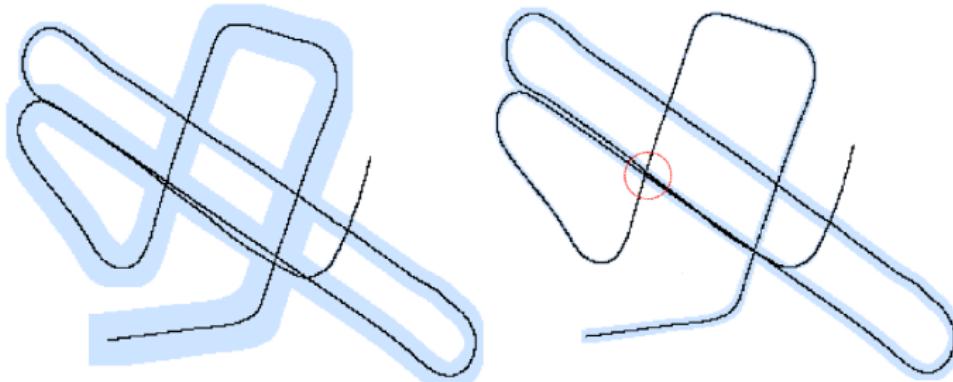




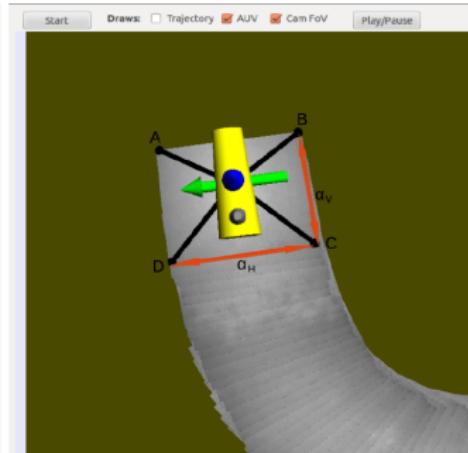
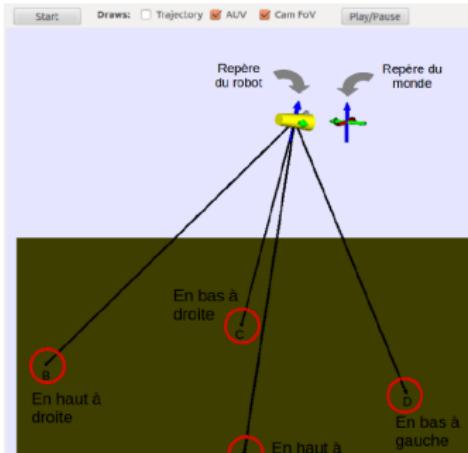
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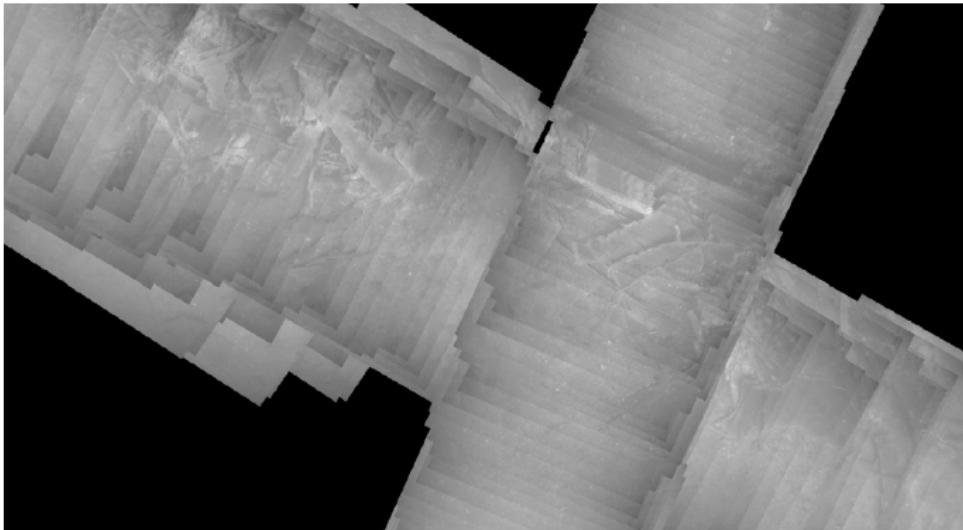
Contract the tube



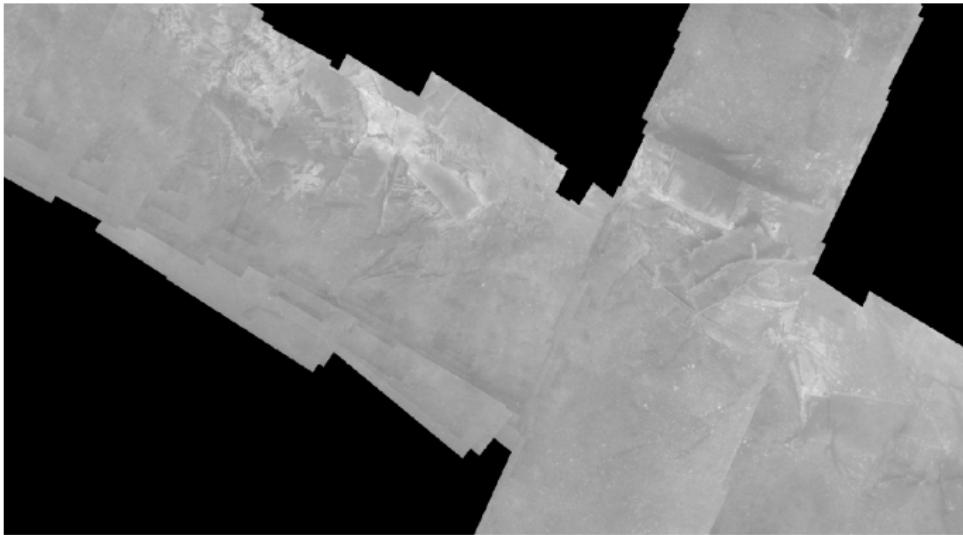
Projection



Illumination Equalization



Before illumination equalization



After illumination equalization

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- ② Tubes [5][2]
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