

Motion Blur and Chicken Heads

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A moving camera creates blur



Current solutions

Moving Film

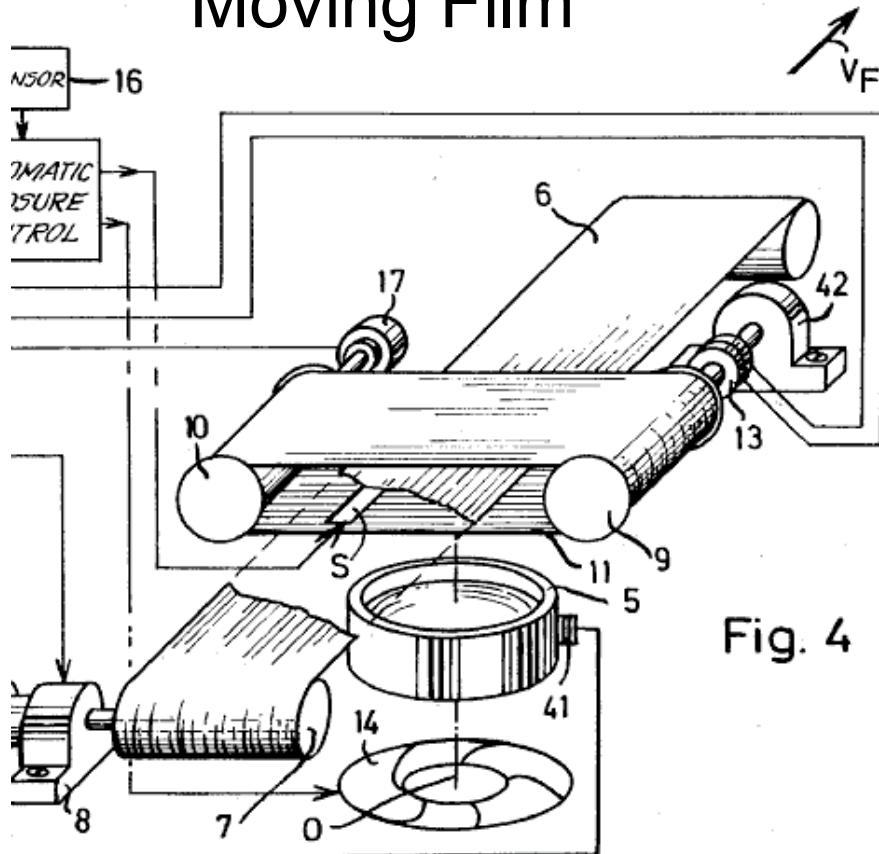


Fig. 4

Prinz, Reinhard. 1985. Method and means for compensating for image motion in an aerial camera. United States Patent 4,505,559

Multiple cameras in a line

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Schematic of airplane-based Leica Geosystems ADS40 imaging system removed due to copyright restrictions. See Fig 5 in Leberl, F. et al. (2002). "Novel Concepts for Aerial Digital Cameras." *Proceedings of the ISPRS Commission I Symposium*. <http://vicos.fri.uni-lj.si/data/publications/leberl02novel.pdf>

Linescan cameras

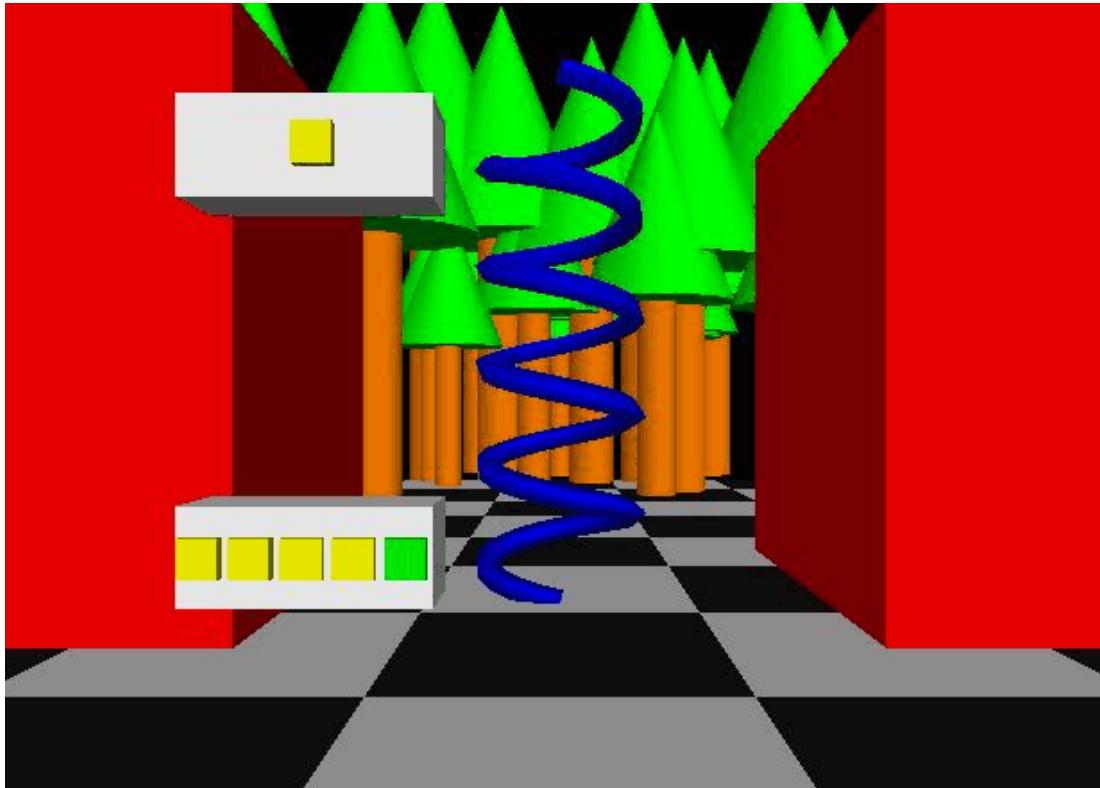
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Still image from video by destinws2. "Chicken Head Tracking – Pennywhistle Productions." 15 June 2008. YouTube. Accessed 1 June 2010. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_dPlkFPowCc

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Idea: Don't Move the Camera (relatively)



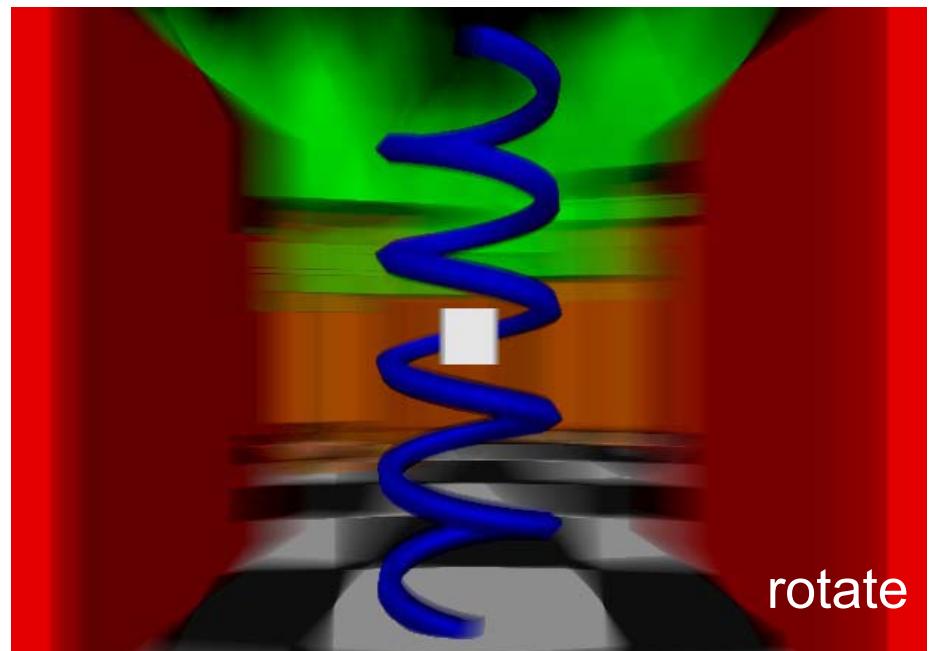
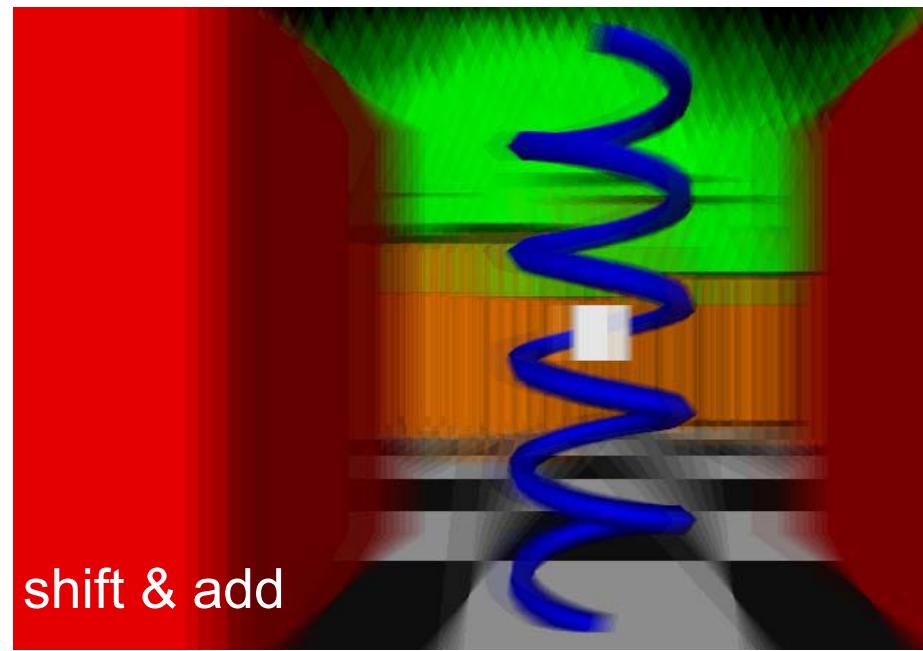
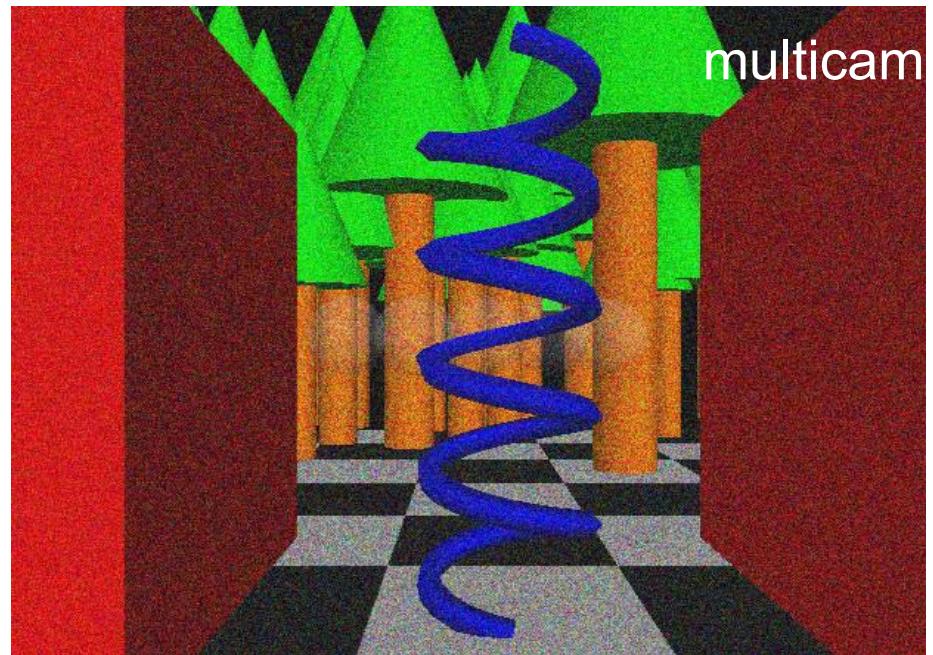
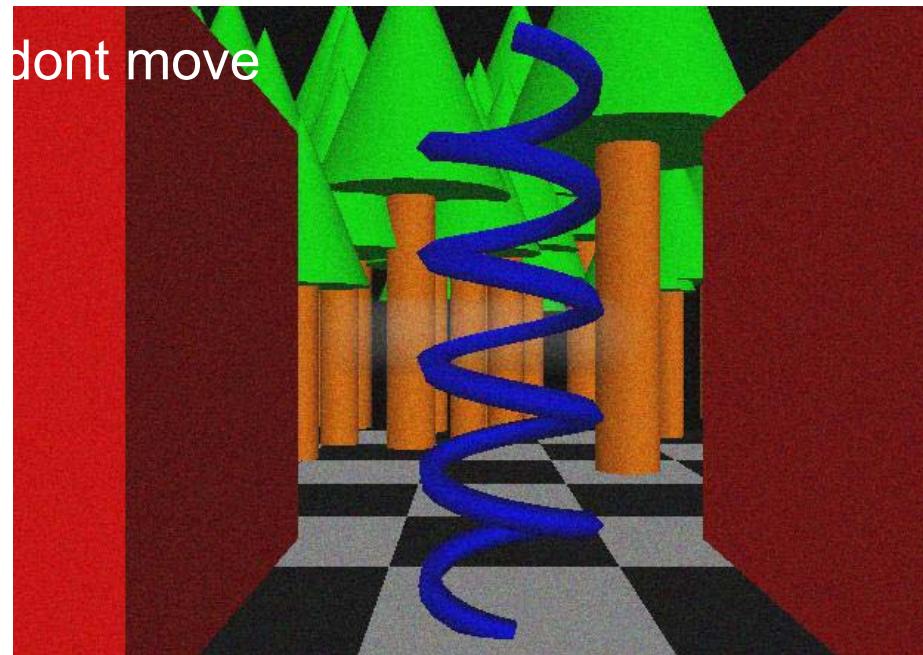
Benefits

- Digital
- More light
- Consistent angle

Limitations

- Moving parts
- Speed sensor
- 1 dimensional

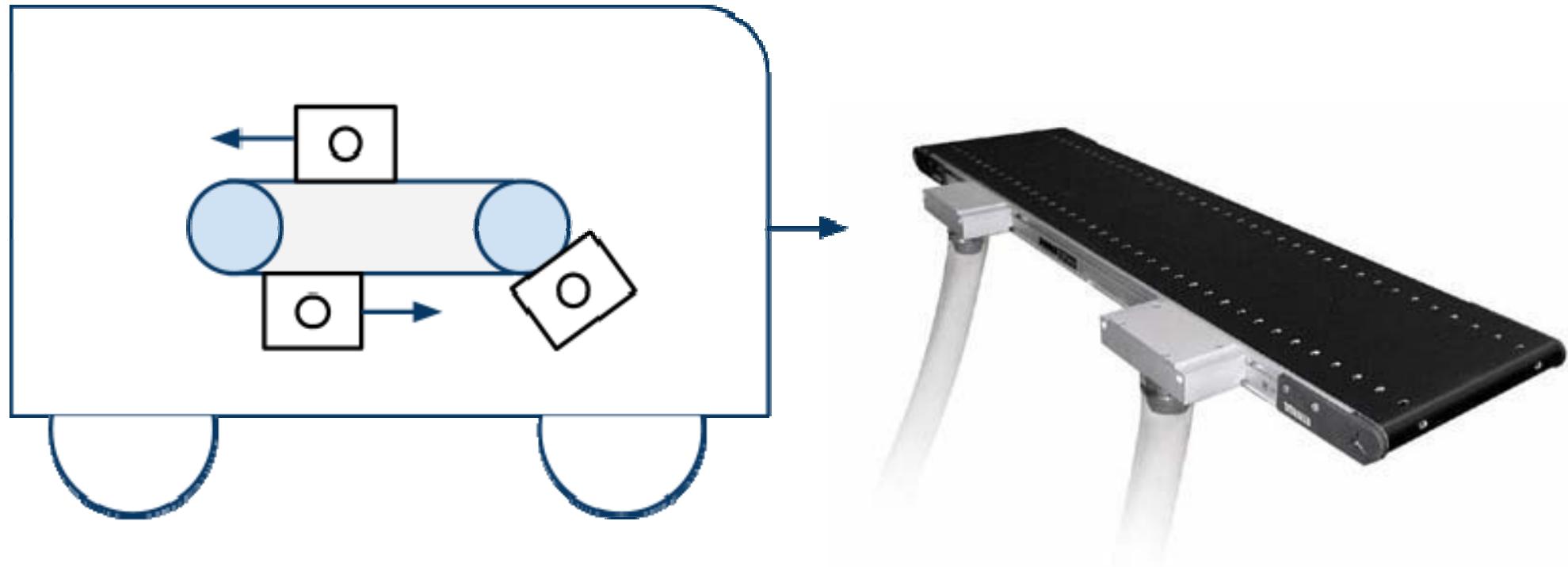
Simulated Results



Physical Prototype



Performance



Prototype

- Chain vibrates camera
- Camera wires tangle
- Two cameras not enough
- Unreliable direct-drive
- < \$20

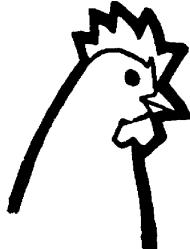
Future

- Smooth belt systems
- wireless
- many, small cameras
- Sensors and motors
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Summary

Q. How do we take a sharp image of a static scene from a moving vehicle?

A. Don't move the camera



6D robot arms

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