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## Vision-Based Cooperative Control with Fixed Camera Configuration

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## Introduction

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■ **Cooperative Control**

- Cooperative control is a distributed control strategy that achieves specified tasks in multi-agent systems.
- It's been motivated by interests in group behavior of animals, formation control of multi-vehicle systems and so on.
- It is hoped to be applied to sensor networks, robot networks and many other multi-agents systems.



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## Introduction

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■ **Output Synchronization**

- Output synchronization means that all of the agents' output become the same.
- This can be applied to the docking control of satellites, tracking control of multi-vehicle system and so on.

■ **Passivity-based Output Synchronization in SE(3) [1]**

- Output synchronization in SE(3) means that all of the agents' positions and attitudes become the same.
- Consensus problem[2] and flocking problem[3] are included in reference[1].

[1]Y. Igarashi, T. Hatanaka and M. Fujita, Output Synchronization in SE(3) -Passivity-based Approach-, Proc. of the 36th SICE Symposium on Control Theory, 35/38, 2007.  
 [2]R. O. Saber, J. A. Fax and T. M. Murray, Consensus and Cooperation in Networked Multi-Agent Systems, Proc. of the IEEE, 95-1, 215/233, 2007.  
 [3]N. Moshtagh and A. Jadbabaie, Distributed Geodesic Control Laws for Flocking of Nonholonomic Agents, IEEE Trans. on Automatic Control, 52-4, 681/686, 2007.

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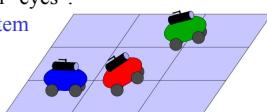
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■ **Passivity-based Output Synchronization in SE(3)**

- Information of **neighbors' relative positions and attitudes** is necessary.

■ **Cooperative Control System with Visual Sensors**

- mounted camera (local camera)
  - Each agent can have its own "eyes".
  - **autonomous agents system**



How can we calculate relative positions and attitudes between each agent and its neighbors by using cameras?

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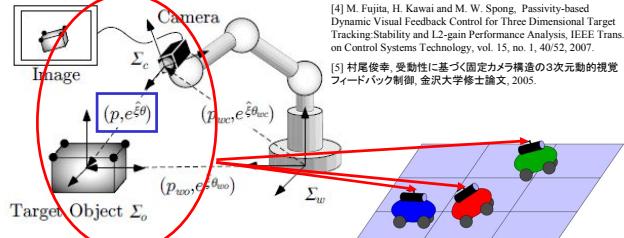
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■ **Visual Feedback Observer [4, 5]**

- Visual feedback observer can estimate relative positions and orientations between camera and target objects.
- Our goal is realize the autonomous agents system by applying visual feedback observer to mounted cameras.



The diagram illustrates a visual feedback observer setup. A camera mounted on a robotic arm observes a target object. The camera captures an image, which is processed to estimate the relative position and orientation of the target object. The estimated values are compared with the actual target object coordinates ( $(p_w, e^{\hat{\theta}_w})$ ) to provide feedback for control. The camera is labeled with  $\Sigma_c$ , the target object with  $\Sigma_w$ , and the estimated position/orientation with  $(p_{wc}, e^{\hat{\theta}_{wc}})$ .

[4] M. Fujita, H. Kawai and M. W. Spong, Passivity-based Dynamic Visual Feedback Control for Three Dimensional Target Tracking-Stability and L<sub>2</sub>-gain Performance Analysis, IEEE Trans. on Control Systems Technology, vol. 15, no. 1, 40/52, 2007.  
 [5] 村尾俊幸, 受動性に基づく固定カメラ構造の3次元的視覚フィードバック制御, 金沢大学修士論文, 2005.

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## Introduction

**Visual Feedback Observer [4, 5]**

- Application of visual feedback observer to cooperative control system with mounted camera (eye-in-hand configuration) is a little difficult.  
↓ to make the problem easier
- I'll apply visual feedback observer to cooperative control system with bird's-eye camera (**fixed camera configuration**).

Note : Our goal is the autonomous agent system with mounted cameras (distributed). This system with bird's-eye camera is mere first step towards the goal and not distributed.

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## Problem Formulation

**Agents' Kinematics**

$$\begin{cases} \dot{p}_{wi} = e^{\dot{\xi}_{wi}} v_{wi}^b \\ \dot{e}^{\dot{\xi}_{wi}} = e^{\dot{\xi}_{wi}} \hat{\omega}_{wi}^b \end{cases} \quad (i=1,2,\dots,n)$$

$$y_i = (p_{wi}, e^{\dot{\xi}_{wi}}) \in SE(3) \quad \dots(1)$$

$p_{wi} \in R^3$ : position  
 $e^{\dot{\xi}_{wi}} \in SO(3)$ : attitude  
 $v_{wi}^b \in R^3$ : body linear velocity  
 $\omega_{wi}^b \in R^3$ : body angular velocity  
 $\zeta_{wi} = \theta_{wi} \xi_{wi}$   
 $\xi_{wi} \in R^3$ : rotation direction  
 $\theta_{wi} \in R$ : rotation angle  
 $\begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\omega_3 & \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 & 0 & -\omega_1 \\ -\omega_2 & \omega_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $g_{wi} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\dot{\xi}_{wi}} & p_{wi} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
: homogeneous representation of  $g_{wi} = (p_{wi}, e^{\dot{\xi}_{wi}}) \in SE(3)$

wi, ci : i th agent frame seen from world frame, camera frame

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## Problem Formulation

**Information Graph**

- Fixed** : A topology of a graph does not change.
- Balanced** (undirected or cyclic)  
: In-degree and out-degree are same. ... (As1)

undirected graph

**Neighbor** :  $N_i := \{j \mid j \in \mathcal{V} : (i, j) \in \mathcal{E}\}$   
Agents connected with agent i

**Graph Laplacian** :

$$L := [L_{ij}] = \begin{cases} \sum_{j \in N_i} 1 & i = j \\ -1 & j \in N_i \\ 0 & j \notin N_i \end{cases}$$

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## Problem Formulation

**Control Objective**

- Output Synchronization in  $SE(3)$   
: Make all of the agent outputs (position /attitude) be the same.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (y_i^{-1} y_j) = I_4 \quad \forall i, j$$

to make the problem easier

I assume that world frame and camera frame are the same. That is

$$\Sigma_w = \Sigma_c \quad \dots(\text{As2})$$

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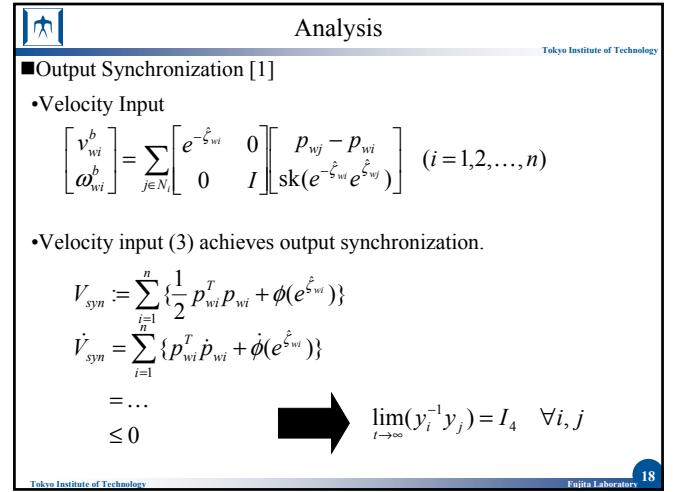
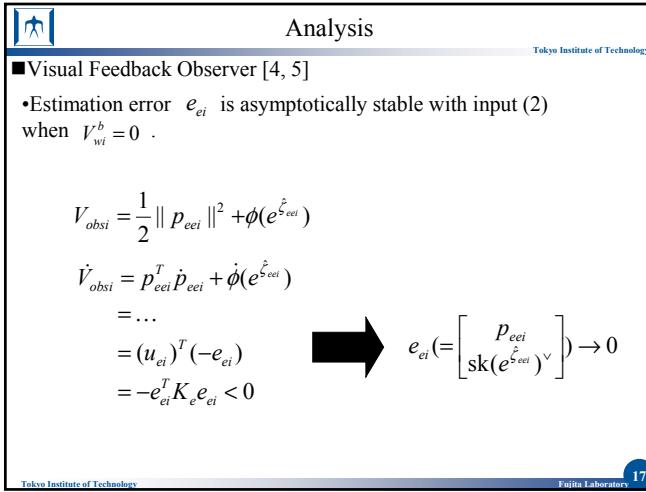
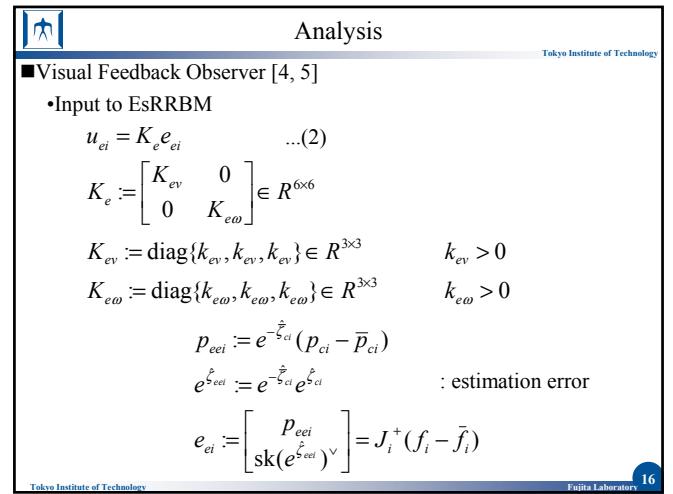
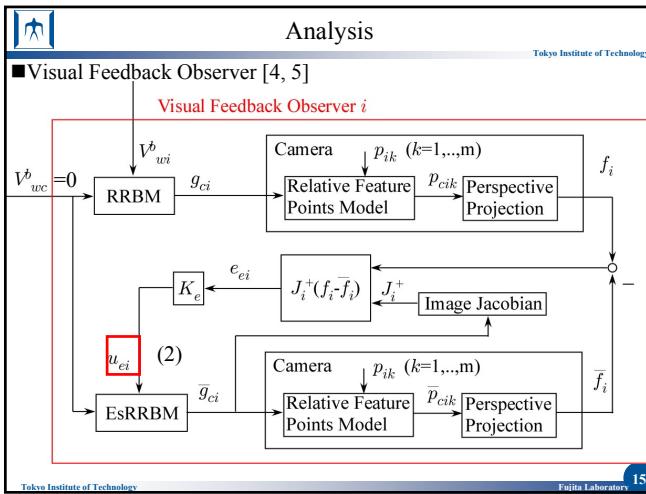
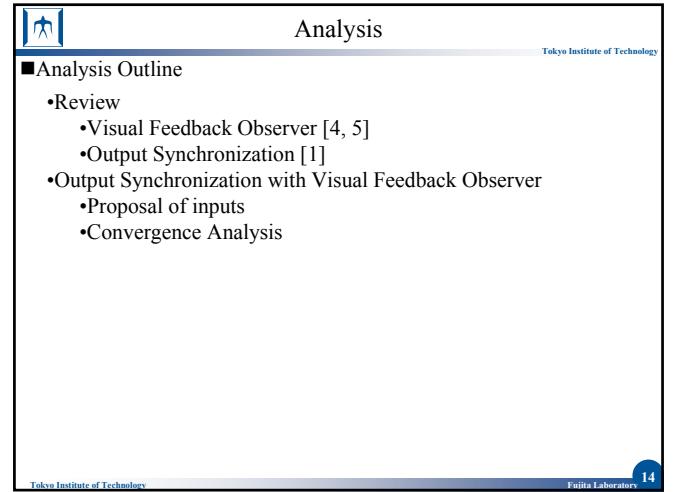
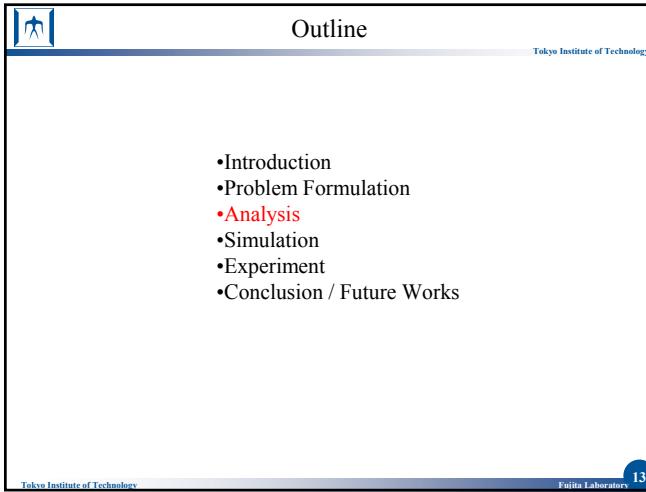
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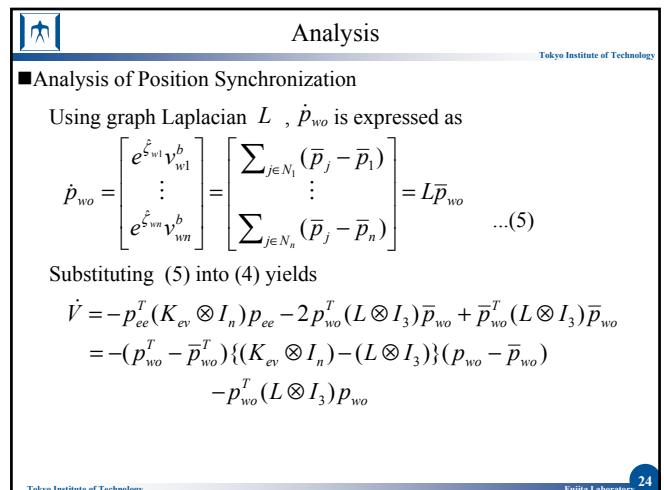
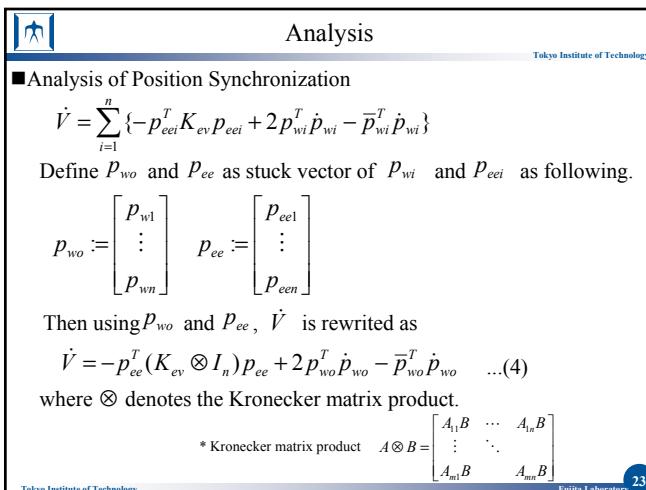
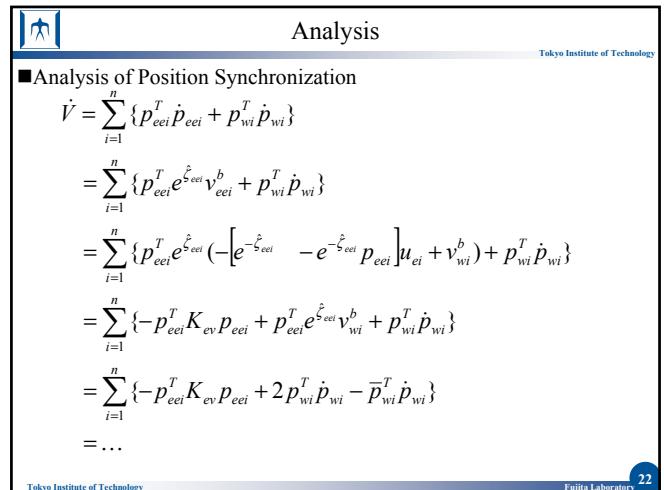
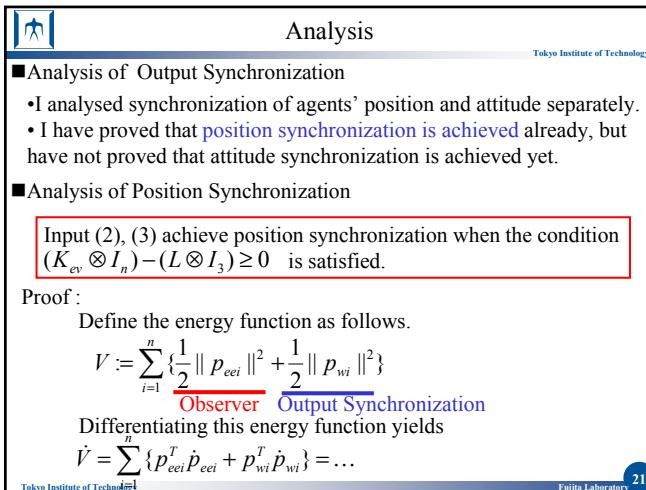
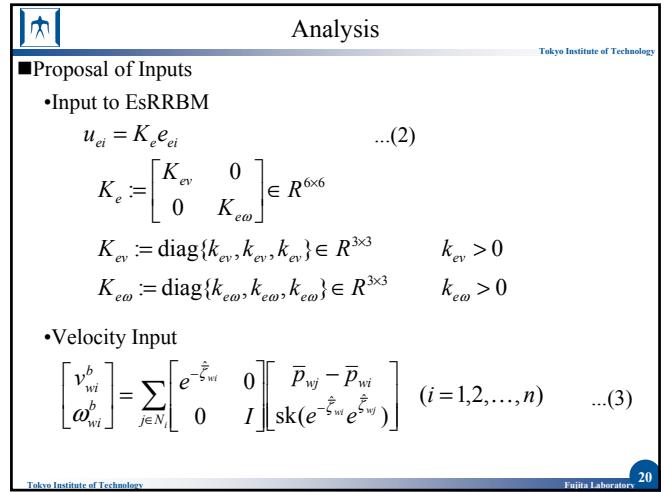
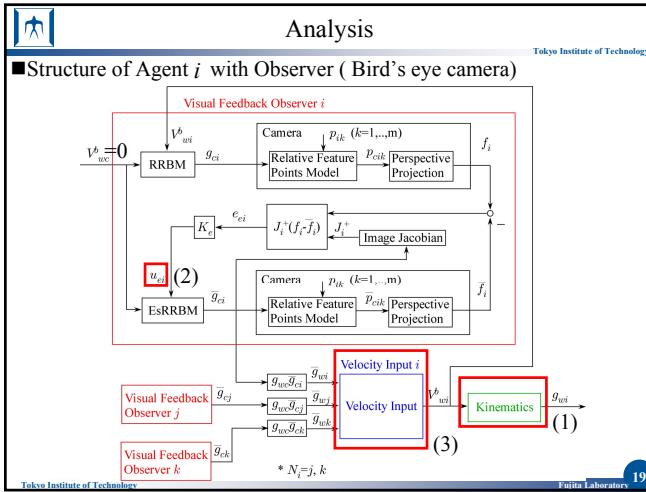
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## Analysis

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■ Analysis of Position Synchronization

$$\dot{V} = -(p_{wo}^T - \bar{p}_{wo}^T) \{(K_{ev} \otimes I_n) - (L \otimes I_3)\} (p_{wo} - \bar{p}_{wo}) - p_{wo}^T (L \otimes I_3) p_{wo}$$

If the condition  $(K_{ev} \otimes I_n) - (L \otimes I_3) \geq 0$  is satisfied, the first term satisfies

$$-(p_{wo}^T - \bar{p}_{wo}^T) \{(K_{ev} \otimes I_n) - (L \otimes I_3)\} (p_{wo} - \bar{p}_{wo}) \leq 0$$

Then by the positive-semidefinite property of graph Laplacian  $L$  ( $\because$  balanced graph)

$$\dot{V} \leq 0$$

Define set  $E$  as

$$E := \{p_{eii} \in R^3, p_{wi} \in R^3 \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \mid \dot{V} = 0\}$$

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■ Analysis of Position Synchronization

Because of the following property of graph Laplacian

$$L \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

set  $E$  can be rewritten as follows.

$$E = \{p_{eii} \in R^3, p_{wi} \in R^3 \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}\}$$

$$\mid p_{eii} = 0 \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \text{ and } p_{wi} = p_{wj} \quad \forall i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}\}$$

Then by LaSalle's Invariance Principle, it is proved that estimation error is asymptotically stable and position synchronization is achieved when  $(K_{ev} \otimes I_n) - (L \otimes I_3) \geq 0$  is satisfied. ■

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■ Analysis of Position Synchronization

- Sufficient Condition

$$(K_{ev} \otimes I_n) - (L \otimes I_3) \geq 0$$

**Downward arrow:**

- Bigger  $\lambda_2$ , faster convergence.
- Bigger  $\lambda_{\max}$ , shorter time-delay limitation.

\* limitation of time-delay [6] :  $\tau^* = \frac{\pi}{2\lambda_{\max}}$   
(\* in case of undirected graph)

[6] R. Olfati-Saber and R. Murray, Consensus Problems in Networks of Agents with Switching Topology and Time-Delays, IEEE Trans. on Automatic Control, vol. 49, no. 9, 1520/1533, 2004  
[7] Y. Igarashi, Consensus問題と行列理論について, FL06\_12\_2, 2006

-  $K_{ev}$  have to be sufficiently large to estimate agents' position promptly.

■ Analysis of Attitude Synchronization

- I have not proved attitude synchronization yet.

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## Simulation

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■ Problem Formulation for Simulation

• Input to EsRRBM

$$u_{ei} = K_e e_{ei} \quad \dots(2)$$

• Velocity Input

$$V^b_wi = \begin{bmatrix} v_i^b \\ \omega_i^b \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{j \in N} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-\frac{\tau_{ij}}{\tau}} & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{p}_{wj} - \bar{p}_{wi} \\ sk(e^{-\frac{\tau_{ij}}{\tau}} e^{\frac{\tau_{ij}}{\tau}}) \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(3)$$

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■ Problem Formulation for Simulation

- Number of Agents : 4 agents
- Initial Condition :

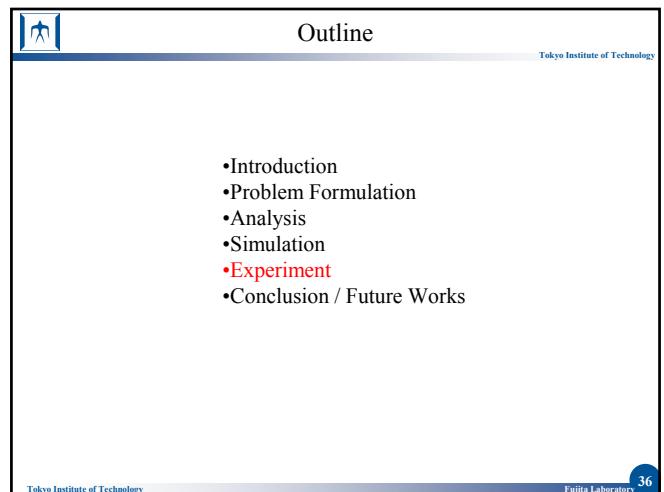
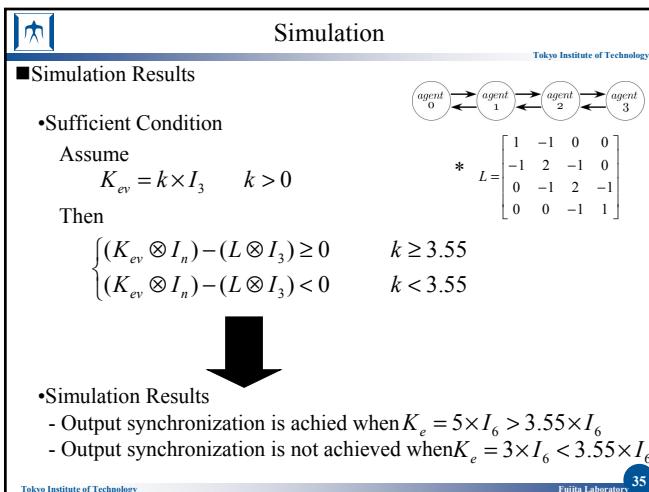
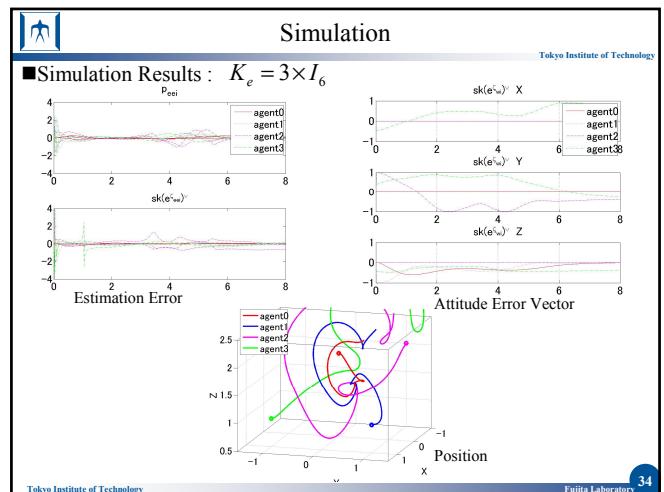
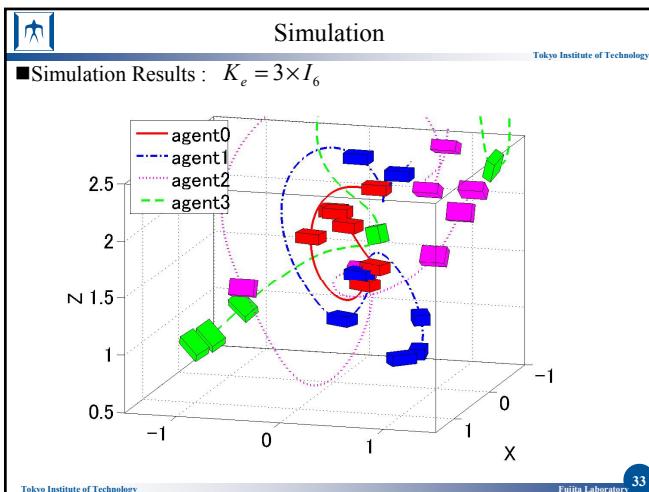
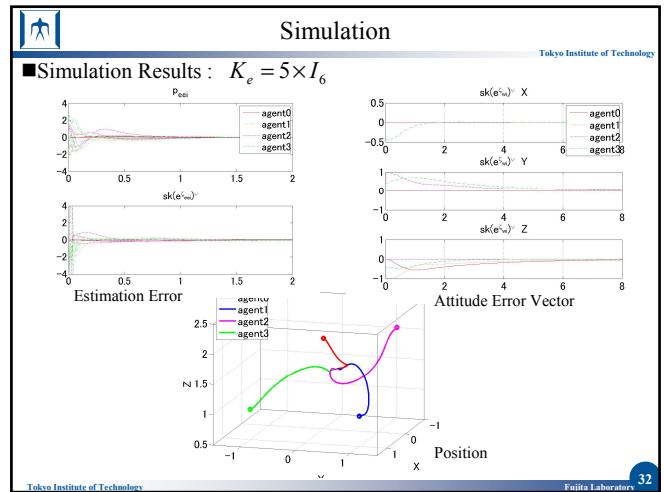
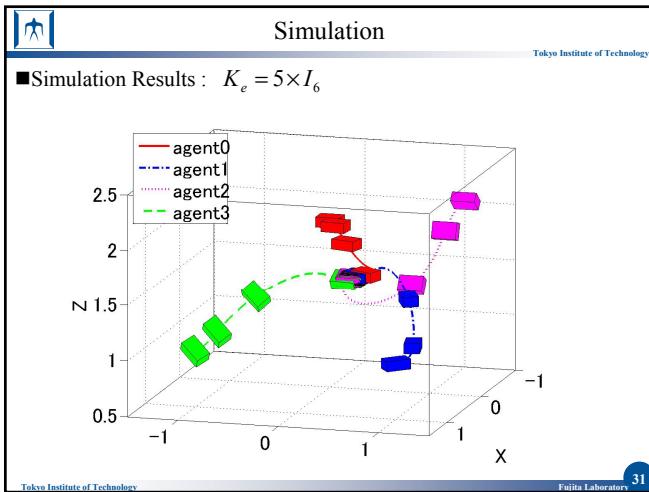
$p_{e0}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 2]^T$	$\zeta_{e0}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 0]^T$
$p_{e1}(0) = [1 \ 1 \ 1]^T$	$\zeta_{e1}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}]^T$
$p_{e2}(0) = [-1 \ 1 \ 2]^T$	$\zeta_{e2}(0) = [0 \ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \ 0]^T$
$p_{e3}(0) = [1 \ -1 \ 1]^T$	$\zeta_{e3}(0) = [-\frac{1}{2} \ \frac{1}{2} \ -\frac{1}{2}]^T$

$\bar{p}_{e0}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 2]^T$	$\zeta_{w0}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 0]^T$
$\bar{p}_{e1}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 2]^T$	$\zeta_{w1}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 0]^T$
$\bar{p}_{e2}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 2]^T$	$\zeta_{w2}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 0]^T$
$\bar{p}_{e3}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 2]^T$	$\zeta_{w3}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 0]^T$

- Graph :

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graph LR
    agent0((agent 0)) --> agent1((agent 1))
    agent1 --> agent2((agent 2))
    agent2 --> agent3((agent 3))
    agent3 --> agent0
  
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## Experiment

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■ Modification of the Experimental Environment

- Double Bird's Eye Camera System

How can we know the relation of each camera's coordinates?

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■ Modification of the Experimental Environment

- Double Bird's Eye Camera System

- Using visual feedback observer, two cameras estimate the configuration of common marker ( $g_{c1\_mark}, g_{c2\_mark}$ ). Then we can calculate the relative configuration between camera1 and camera2 ( $g_{c1\_c2}$ ).

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■ Modification of the Experimental Environment

- Double Bird's Eye Camera System
- Problem : S-function block doesn't work when Simulink model is built and implemented into dSPACE.

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■ Conclusion

- As a first step toward the autonomous agents system (with mounted camera), I study on output synchronization with bird's eye camera system.
- Position synchronization has been proved.
- I validated this results by numerical simulations.
- Due to some problems, I have not performed experiments yet.

## Future Works

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■ Future Works

- as soon as possible
  - remove bugs and make experiments on output synchronization with bird's eye camera
- near future
  - proof of attitude synchronization with bird's eye camera
- future
  - proof of output synchronization with mounted camera
  - experiment on output synchronization with mounted camera

