



Learning 3D models of non-rigid scenes from video

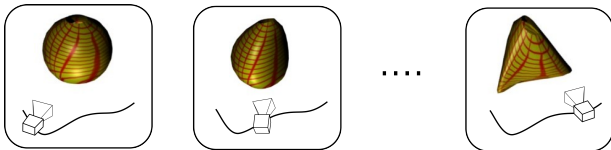
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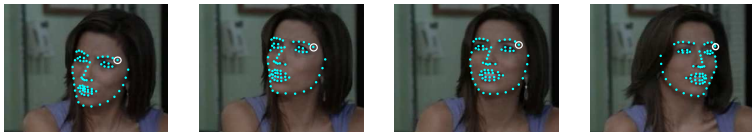
Non-Rigid Structure from Motion

Problem statement: Point a camera at a deforming object and generate a detailed 3D model by exploiting 2D motion.



- No given models, no training data, no extra sensors.

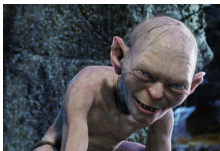
Only input: 2D video data



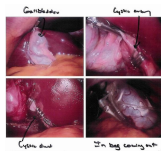
Why is it important?



Motion capture/Animation



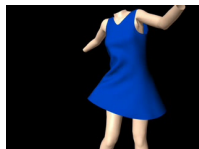
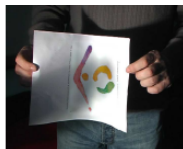
Gesture analysis



Laparoscopy



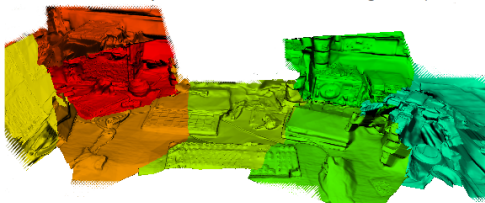
Augmented reality (Pilet et al. 2008)



Cloth animation

Rigid Structure from Motion

- The **rigidity prior** is enough to make the problem well posed.
- Commercial applications exist.
- Mature problem / Solved?
- Not quite: Real time, large scale, dense – open problems.



(Newcombe et al. ICCV'11)



(Agarwal et al. ICCV'09)

But the Real World is Non-Rigid



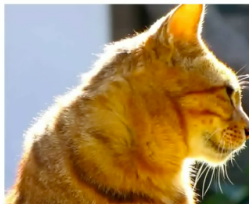
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Dynamic



Articulated



Piecewise-Rigid

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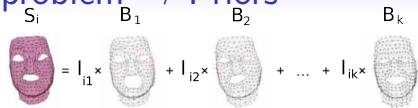
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Bregler *et al.* CVPR 2000.

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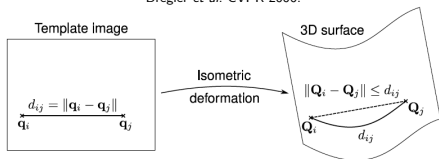
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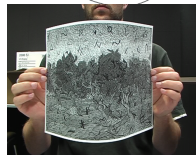
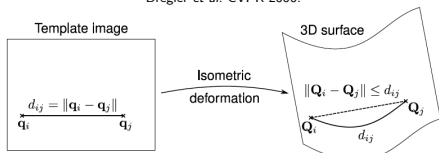
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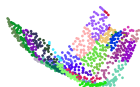
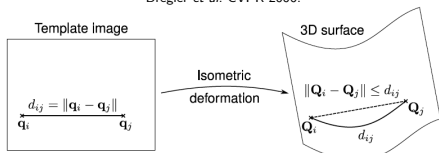
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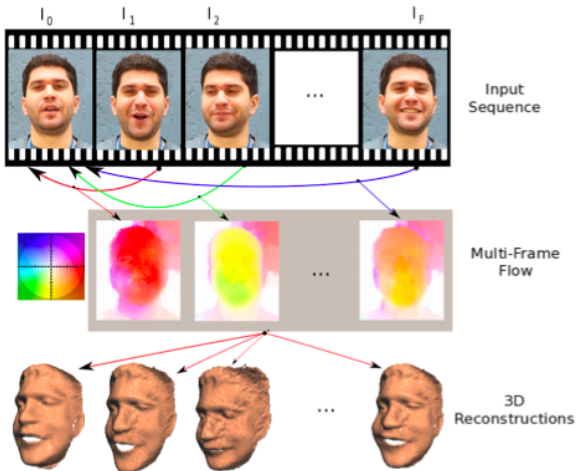
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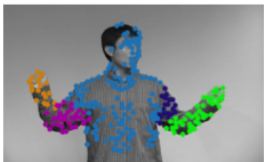


Del Bue-Agapito IJCV'04, Del Bue et al. CVPR'06, Paladini et al. CVPR'09, Paladini et al. ECCV'10, Fayad et al. ECCV'10

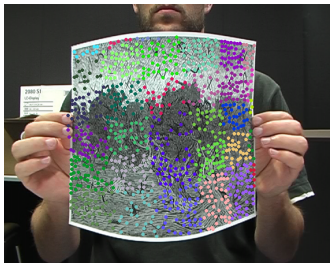
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Current Research Threads II

2. Reconstructing Extreme Deformations with Connected Local Models



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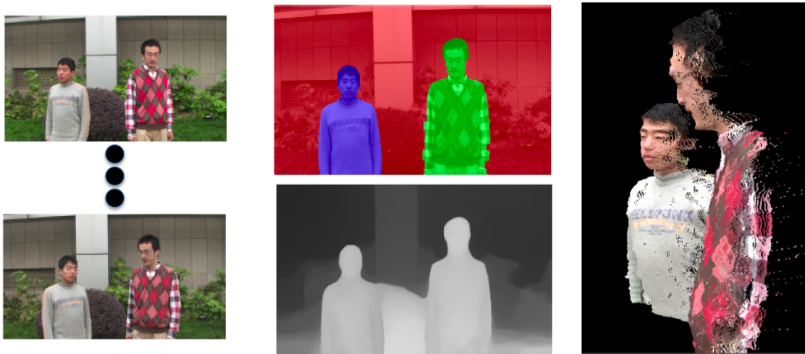


Non-Rigid

Current Research Threads III

3. Towards Direct Non-Rigid Modelling from Pixel Intensities

- Jointly solving for dense matching, segmentation and 3D reconstruction directly from pixel intensities for multi-rigid scenes.



Input: Video sequence

Output: Segmentation + dense 3D models

Roadmap

- **Non-Rigid Reconstruction with a Global Low Rank Model**
- Reconstructing Extreme Deformations with Connected Local Models
- Direct Dense Multibody SfM from Pixel Intensities.

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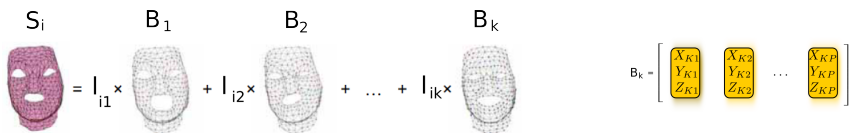
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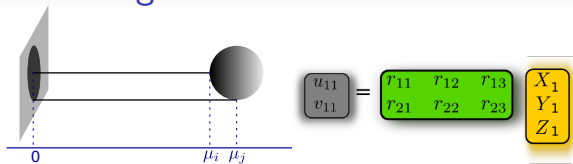


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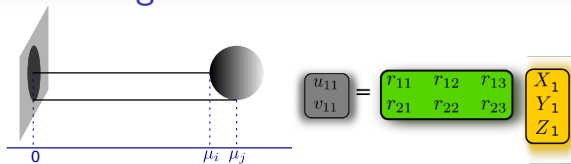
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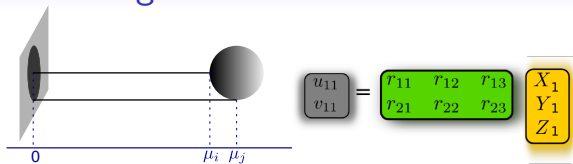
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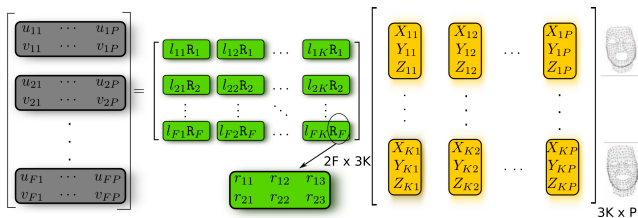
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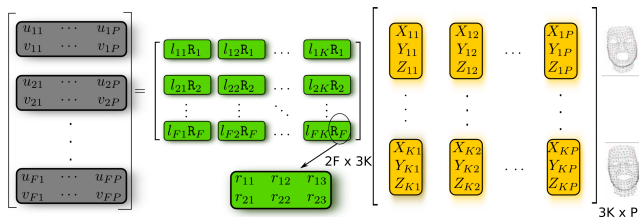
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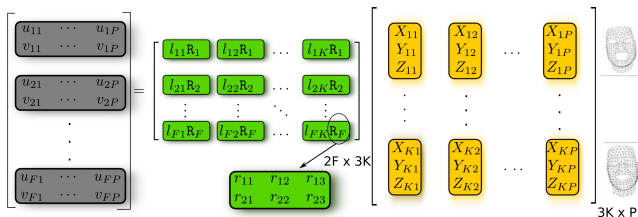
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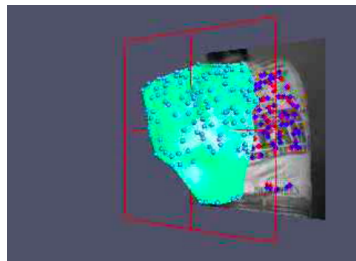
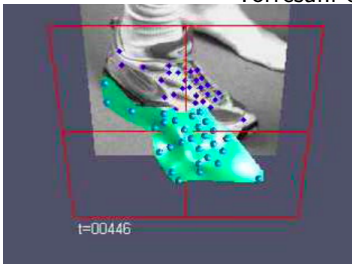
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- Energy Optimization:
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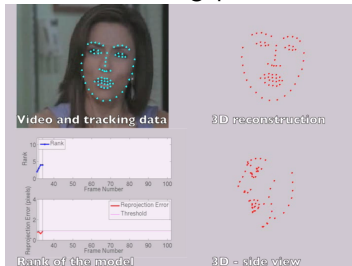
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Low Rank Shape Model: Results

Torresani-etal PAMI'08

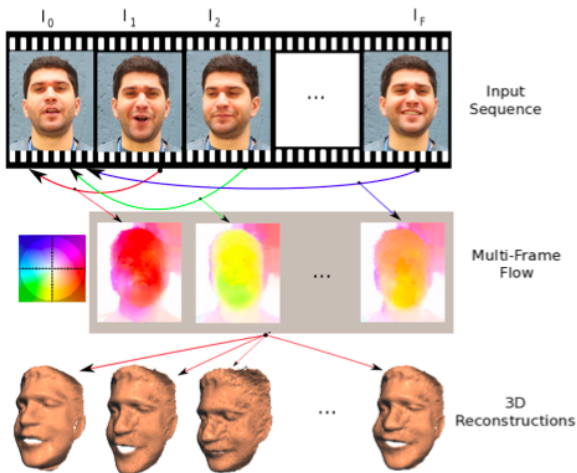


Paladini-Bartoli-Agapito ECCV'10



Dense Low-Rank Non-Rigid 3D Reconstruction

Garg-Roussos-Agapito CVPR'13



Orthographic Projection Model

Our geometric model is:

$$W = RS$$

- W is a known matrix of 2D optical flow tracking data
- R is a block diagonal stacking of projection matrices R_f
- S stacks the deformable 3D shapes for all F frames

$$\underbrace{W}_{2F \times N} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & \cdots & u_{1N} \\ v_{11} & \cdots & v_{1N} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ u_{F1} & \cdots & u_{FN} \\ v_{F1} & \cdots & v_{FN} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \underbrace{R}_{2F \times 3F} = \begin{bmatrix} R_1 & & \circ \\ & \ddots & \\ \circ & & R_F \end{bmatrix}, \quad \underbrace{S}_{3F \times N} = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & \cdots & X_{1N} \\ Y_{11} & \cdots & Y_{1N} \\ Z_{11} & \cdots & Z_{1N} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ X_{F1} & \cdots & X_{FN} \\ Y_{F1} & \cdots & Y_{FN} \\ Z_{F1} & \cdots & Z_{FN} \end{bmatrix}$$

Priors

We propose to use two priors:

- The 3D trajectories lie on a low dimensional linear subspace, i.e. the **shape matrix S is inherently low rank.**
- The 3D trajectories of the points are **spatially smooth.**

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Energy to minimise

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where

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$$E_{data} = \frac{1}{2} \|W - RS\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2$$

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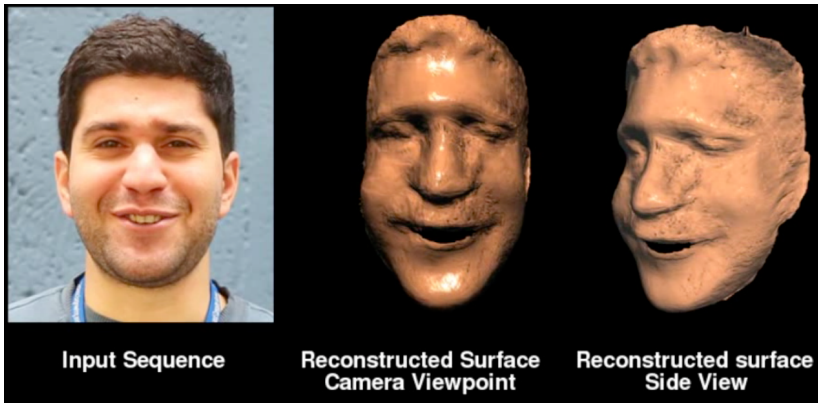
$$E_{trace} = \|S\|_* = \sum_{j=1}^{\min(3F, N)} \Lambda_j$$

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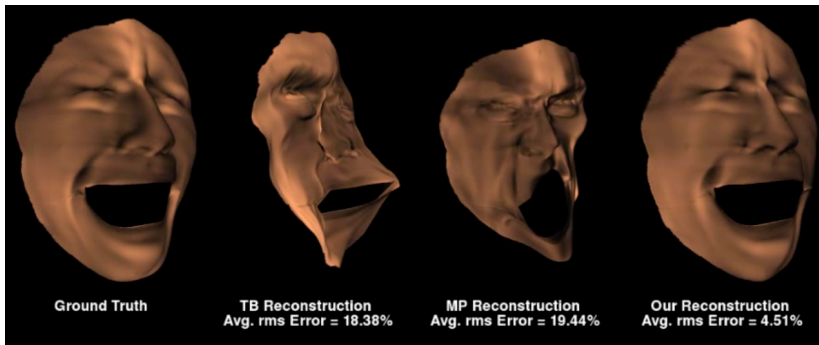
$$E_{reg} = \sum_{i=1}^{3F} \sum_{p=1}^N \|\nabla S_i(p)\|$$

OPTIMIZATION: Alternate between estimating R and S. R \rightarrow bundle adjustment, S \rightarrow primal-dual regularization + soft impute.
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Experimental Results: Real Sequences



Experimental Results: Synthetic Sequences



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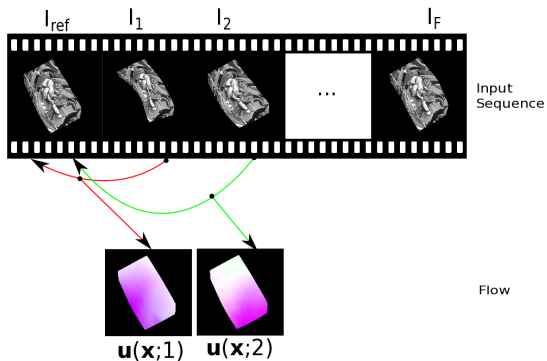
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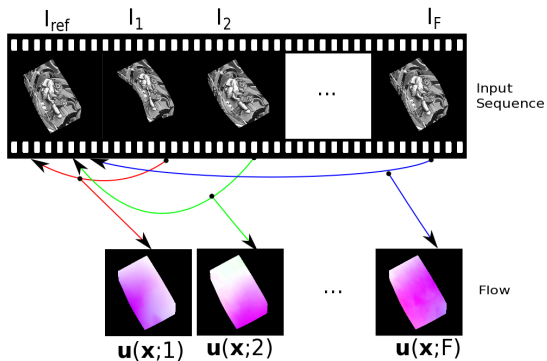


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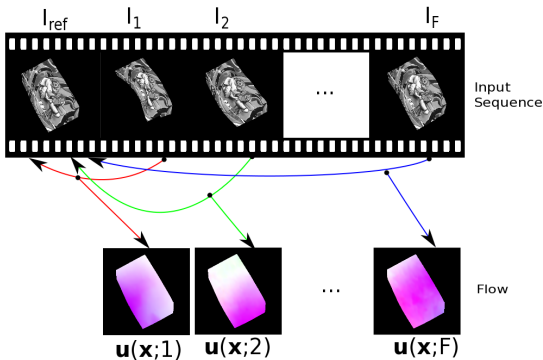


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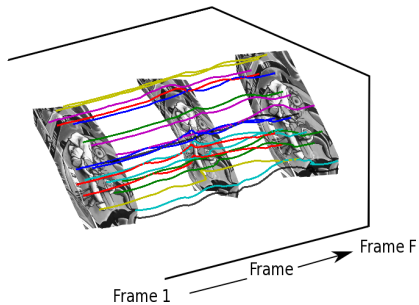
such that $I_n(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}; n)) \approx I_{ref}(\mathbf{x}) \quad \forall n \in \{1, \dots, F\}$

Assuming

- Presence of non-rigid motion.
- Smooth deformations.

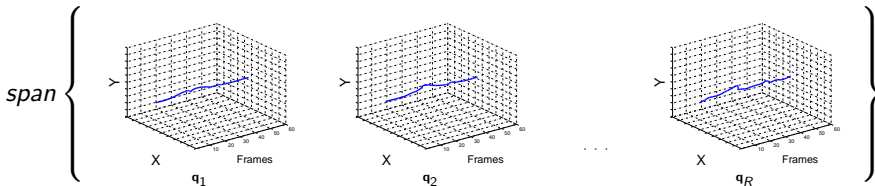
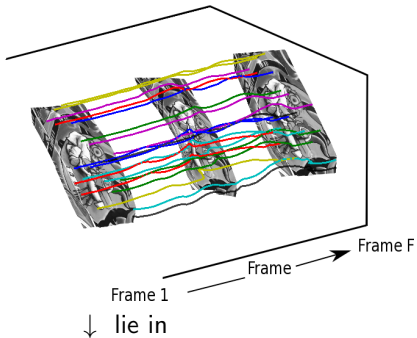
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$$R \ll 2F$$

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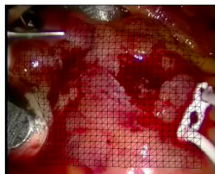
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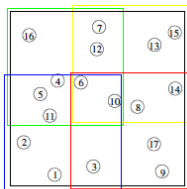
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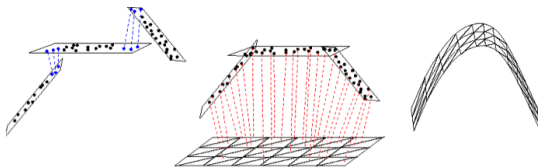
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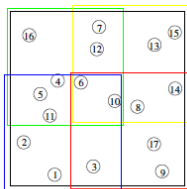
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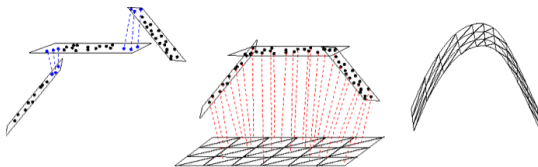
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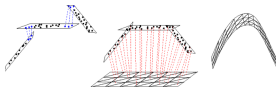
- **Simple idea:**

1. The first image is divided into overlapping patches.
2. The patches are reconstructed independently in 3D.
3. Overlapping points are used to enforce spatial consistency stitch patches to create a continuous global surface.

Piecewise Reconstruction of Deformable Surfaces

Existing approaches

Piecewise Planar



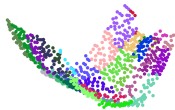
(Varol *et al.* ICCV'09)

Local Isometry



(Taylor *et al.* CVPR'10)

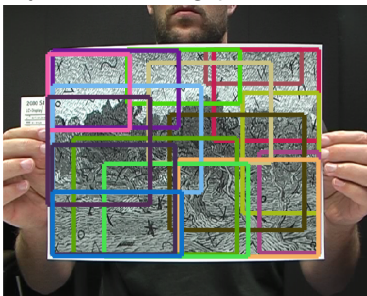
Piecewise Quadratic



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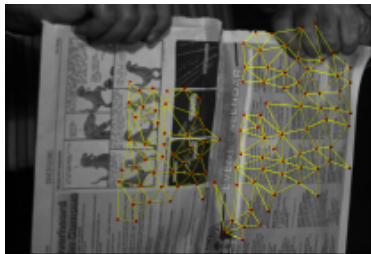
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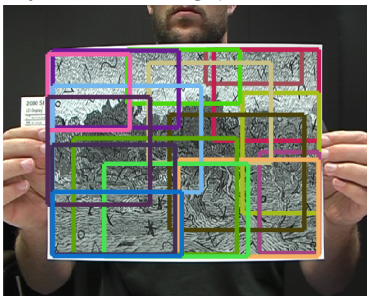
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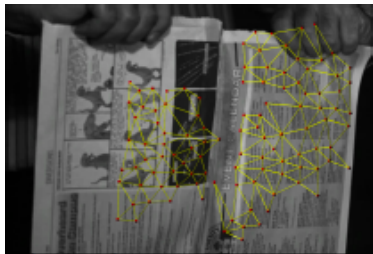
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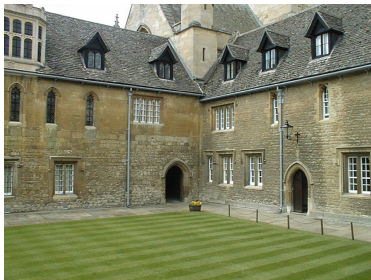
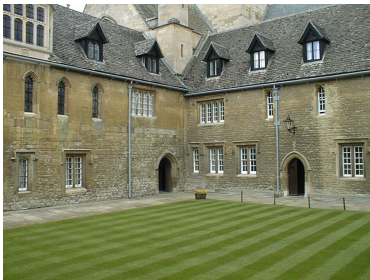
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Too granular

- What is the best division of points into patches?
- What is the **best assignment of points to models?**

Example: Piecewise Reconstruction



Reconstruct as piecewise planar from 2 frames.

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Isack and Boykov IJCV '11 PEARL

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1. Propose an excess of models
 2. Assign best model to each point – minimize reprojection error

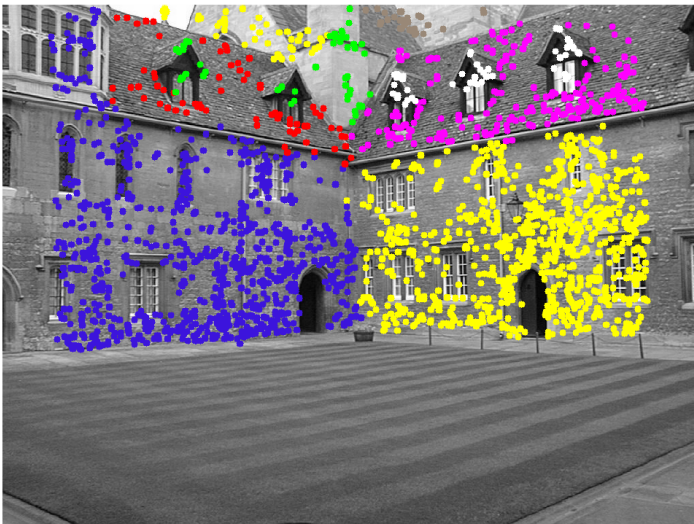
$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} E(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{P}} U_i(x_i)$$

3. Add Pairwise Potentials and Sparsity inducing MDL prior

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} E(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i U_i(x_i) + \sum_{(i,j) \in \mathcal{N}} P_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) + \text{MDL}(\mathbf{x})$$

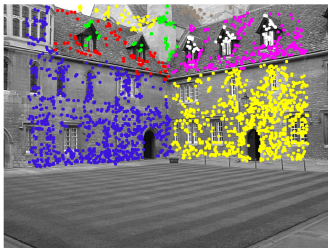
4. Alternate between assigning points to models and re-estimating the parameters of the models.

Multiple Model Fitting



Isack and Boykov IJCV '11

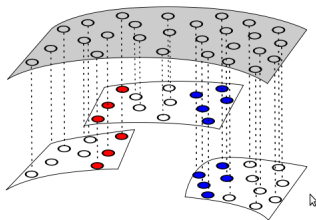
What if we want to do reconstruction?



If every model is independent each plane has a separate depth ambiguity.

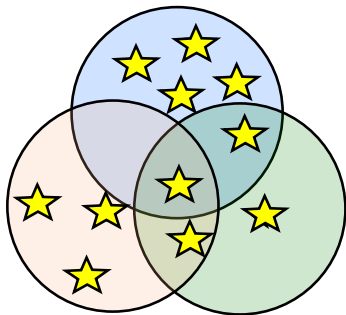
- Resolve depth by matching camera motion for each model.
- Only works for rigid scenes.

Overlapping Models

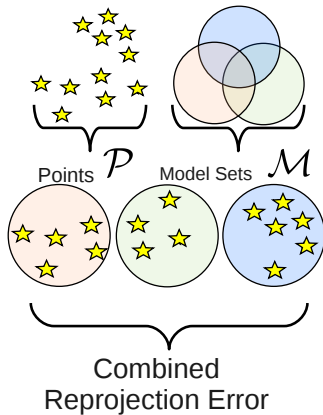


- Instead, we need to segment *overlapping* models, and force reconstructions to agree about the regions of overlap.
- Double count points in overlap - penalises long/jagged boundaries
- Implicit higher-order smoothing comes from forcing models to explain the same data.

Making Models Overlap



$$\sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \left(\sum_{\alpha \in m_p} U_p(\alpha) \right)$$



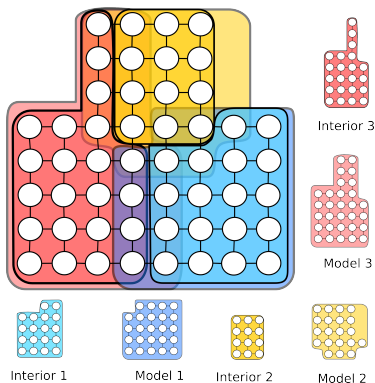
Points are assigned to a *sub-set* of models rather than just one

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New labels: A point is an **interior point** of a model, if all of its neighbours belong to the same model

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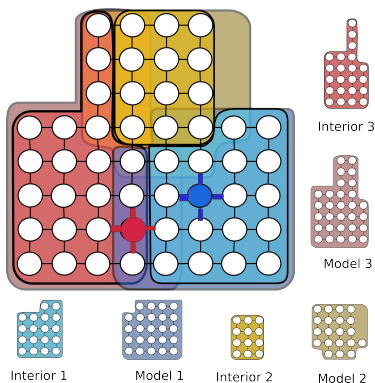
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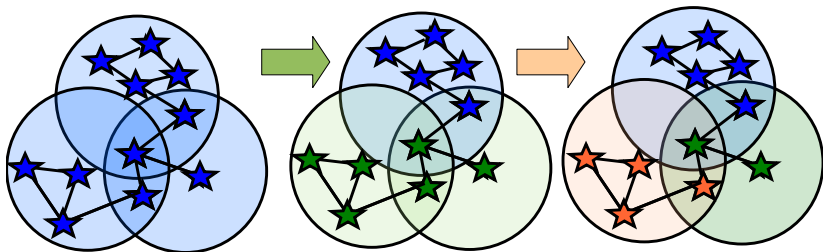


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We solve this with α -expansion

Each point belongs to the interior of exactly 1 model

“Only” \mathcal{M}^P possible solutions instead of $2^{\mathcal{M}^P}$



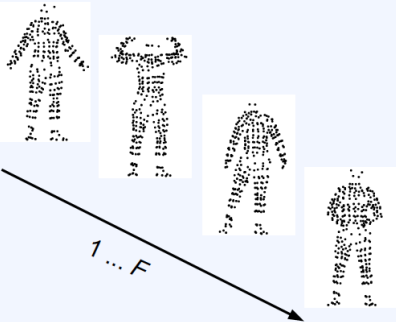
Our code is publicly available!

Applications: Articulated Structure from Motion

Goal: To recover the 3D shape and pose of an articulated object from a monocular video using only 2D tracking data as input.

Problem Formulation

P feature points tracked over F 2D frames



Segmentation

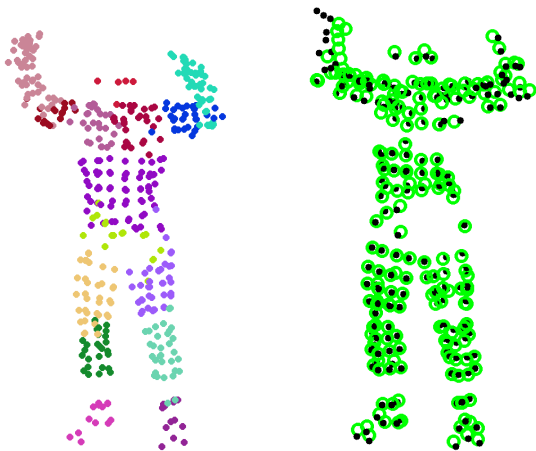


3D articulated structure



Articulated Structure from Motion (ICCV '11)

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Articulated motion is piecewise rigid motion.
Areas of overlap are joints.

Articulated Motion

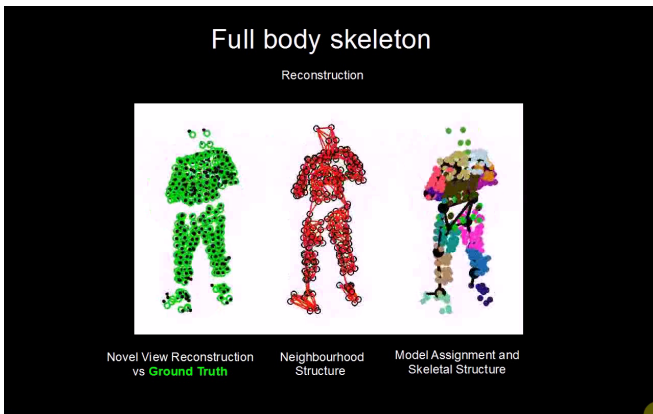
- Simultaneous segmentation of the body into rigid segments and 3D reconstruction.
- Estimating the model parameters R_i , t_i and S for each rigid segment can be formulated as the factorization problem which minimizes image reprojection error:

$$\arg \min_{R_i, t_i, S} \sum_{i=1}^F \|\tilde{W}_i - R_i S - t_i\|^2$$

- Decomposing the points into rigid pieces, allows us to use pre-existing robust methods to reconstruct partial tracks (Marques+Costeira'08).
- We create a skeleton by 'joining up' the joint centres

Articulated Motion: Results

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Piecewise Rigid Reconstruction: Input

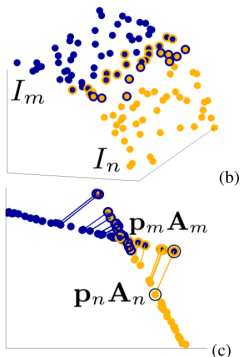
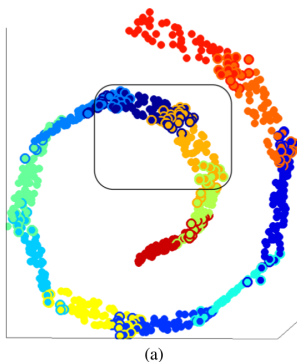


Piecewise Rigid Reconstruction: Results



Learning Manifolds as Connected Linear Subspaces

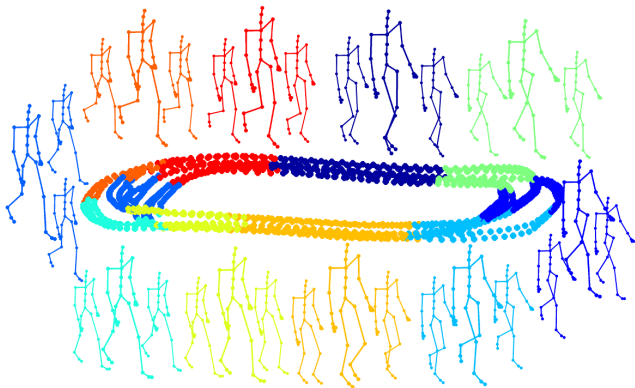
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- Alternate between
 - Assigning points to overlapping local linear subspaces.
 - Fitting subspaces to points using PCA.
- Advantages:
 - Can model closed manifolds.
 - No need to unfold.

Results: 3D Motion Reconstruction

1. Manifold is learnt on 3D mocap data from 1 individual.
2. Input: 2D data from a different individual.
3. Inverse problem: reconstruct 3D pose given 2D data + manifold.



Direct Dense Multibody SfM from Pixel Intensities

Roussos-Russell-Garg-Agapito ISMAR'12



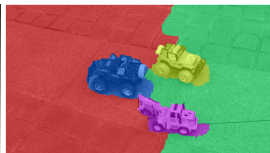
Problem statement: Given a scene with an unknown number of independently moving objects estimate automatically:

1. Segmentation of the scene into objects.
2. Dense 3D model of each object.
3. Rigid motion of the objects.

Directly from pixel intensities not from tracks or optical flow.

Multiple Model Fitting

- Strength of our approach: to optimize a single cost function to estimate all the variables:
 1. Dense depth map: $d(\mathbf{x}) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 2. Labelling: $L(\mathbf{x}) : \Omega \rightarrow \{1, \dots, N\}$
 3. Rigid transformations: $T_{\ell f}$
 4. Number of regions: N



Multiple Model Fitting

$$E[d(\mathbf{x}), L, \mathcal{T}] = \lambda E_{data} + E_{reg} + \beta E_{potts} + \gamma \text{MDL}.$$

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$$E = \lambda \int_{\Omega} C(\mathbf{x}, d(\mathbf{x}), \mathcal{T}_{L(\mathbf{x})}) + \int_{\Omega} \|\nabla d\|_{\sigma} \, d\mathbf{x} + \beta \sum_{\ell=1}^N \text{Per}(\Omega_{\ell}) + \gamma \text{MDL}.$$

Optimization

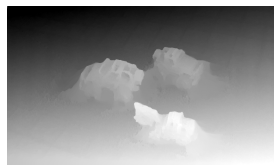
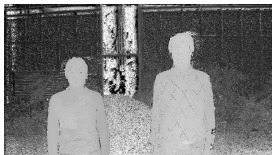
Our algorithm is a **hill-climbing** approach that alternates between:

1. Estimating **depth-map** given a segmentation and rigid motions.
We use a dense variational approach (DTAM Newcombe-Lovegrove-Davison ICCV'11)
2. Estimating **segmentation** given rigid motions and a depth-map.
We use the inference approach of Isack and Boykov IJCV'11 (PEARL)
3. Estimating **rigid motions** given depth-map and segmentation.
We use our novel dense tracking algorithm.

Until convergence.

Results: Dense Depth Map Estimation

- Strategy similar to **DTAM**¹.



Reference frames

Initialization of $d(x)$

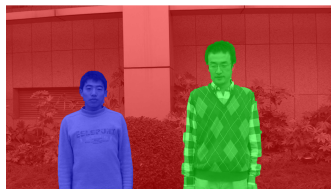
Final regularized $d(x)$

¹ R. Newcombe, S. Lovegrove, A. Davison. DTAM: Dense tracking and mapping in real-time. ICCV'11.

Results: Segmentation

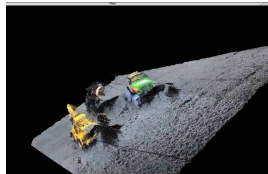


Initialization



Segmentation using E_{potts} and MDL

Results: Dense 3D reconstructions



Augmented Reality applications

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Conclusions: Future Directions

- **Unified Framework:** 3D shape estimation directly from pixel intensity information. Simultaneous 2D registration + segmentation + 3D reconstruction.
- **Reconstruction in the Wild:** Robustify approaches, dealing with multiple non-rigid objects, severe occlusions, introduction of new tracks, changes in lighting. Complete reconstruction of almost *any video*.
- **Towards Real-Time:** Online formulation of NRSfM – dense non-rigid models *on-the-fly*.
- **Focus on Domain-specific Applications:** laparoscopy, augmented reality, cinema post-production, human motion reconstruction. Semisupervised and unsupervised learning where additional 3D structural information could supplement limited annotation data.