Accurate, Dense, and Robust Multi-View Stereopsis

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- 1. Detect keypoints
- 2. Triangulate a sparse set of initial matches
- 3. Iteratively expand matches to nearby locations
- 4. Use visibility constraints to filter out false matches
- 5. Perform surface reconstruction

Patch Model





c(p): center of the patch n(p): normal of the patch R(p): reference image with p

normalized cross correlation: quick glance



Photometric Discrepancy Function



$$h(p, I, R(p)) = 1 - NCC(p, I, R(p))$$

V(p): initial set of images where patch p is potentially visible

Photometric Discrepancy Function

$$\begin{array}{lll} V^*(p) & = & \{I | I \in V(p), h(p, I, R(p)) \leq \alpha\}, \\ g^*(p) & = & \displaystyle \frac{1}{|V^*(p) \setminus R(p)|} \sum_{I \in V^*(p) \setminus R(p)} h(p, I, R(p)). \end{array}$$



V*(p): set of images where patch is truly visible

Patch optimization



h(p, I, R(p)) = 1 - NCC(p, I, R(p))

$$g^*(p) = \frac{1}{|V^*(p) \setminus R(p)|} \sum_{I \in V^*(p) \setminus R(p)} h(p, I, R(p))$$

Optimize over c(p) and n(p) that minimizes g*(p)

Image model

V(p): set of images where patch may be visible V*(p): set of images where patch truly visible C_i(x,y): regular grid cell $\beta \times \beta$ pixels Q_i(x,y): the set of "may be" visible patches that projects to C_i(x,y) Q*_i(x,y): the set of "truly visible" patches that projects to C_i(x,y)



Flow diagram



Quick glance to corners: Aperture problem



Feature Detection

1. Divide grid to cells (32x32)

2. Use Harris Detector and DoG to find corners

3. Try to find 4 good corners in each cell (uniform coverage)



Quick glance: typical feature matching pipeline



Feature Matching

- 1. Epipolar line test for right matches
- 2. Initialization of patches

$$\mathbf{c}(p) \leftarrow \{ \text{Triangulation from } f \text{ and } f' \}, \\ \mathbf{n}(p) \leftarrow \overrightarrow{\mathbf{c}(p)O(I_i)} / |\overrightarrow{\mathbf{c}(p)O(I_i)}|, \\ R(p) \leftarrow I_i. \\ V(p) \leftarrow \left\{ I | \mathbf{n}(p) \cdot \overrightarrow{\mathbf{c}(p)O(I)} / |\overrightarrow{\mathbf{c}(p)O(I)}| > \cos(\iota) \right\}$$

 $V^*(p) = \{I | I \in V(p), h(p, I, R(p)) \le \alpha\}$

3. Refine patch geometry



Feature Matching

- 4. Update the V(p) and V*(p) with refined patch geometry
- 5. Check if patch truly visible in at least γ images
- 6. Add valid patches to corresponding Q and Q*



Input: Features detected in each image. Output: Initial sparse set of patches P.

$P \leftarrow \phi;$

For each image I with optical center O(I)For each feature f detected in I $F \leftarrow \{\text{Features satisfying the epipolar consistency}\};$ Sort F in an increasing order of distance from O(I); For each feature $f' \in F$ // Test a patch candidate p; Initialize $\mathbf{c}(p)$, $\mathbf{n}(p)$ and R(p); // Eqs. (4, 5, 6) Initialize V(p) and $V^*(p)$; // Eqs. (2, 7) Refine $\mathbf{c}(p)$ and $\mathbf{n}(p)$; // (Sect.II-C) Update V(p) and $V^*(p)$; // Eqs. (2, 7) If $|V^*(p)| < \gamma$ Go back to the innermost For loop (failure); Add p to the corresponding $Q_i(x,y)$ and $Q_i^*(x,y)$; Remove features from the cells where p was stored; Add p to P; Exit innermost For loop;

Expansion

- 1. Identify neighboring cells for possible expansion $\mathbf{C}(p) = \{C_i(x',y') | p \in Q_i(x,y), |x-x'| + |y-y'| = 1\}$
- 2. Test if there is already patch very close to that region $|(\mathbf{c}(p) - \mathbf{c}(p')) \cdot \mathbf{n}(p)| + |(\mathbf{c}(p) - \mathbf{c}(p')) \cdot \mathbf{n}(p')| < 2\rho_1$
- 3. Test for depth discontinuity



Expansion

- 4. Initialize candidate patch
- 5. Refine patch geometry
- Update the V(p) and V*(p) with refined patch geometry (loosen thresholds)
- 7. Check if patch truly visible in at least γ images
- 8. Add valid patches to corresponding Q and Q*

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Input: Patches P from the feature matching step.
Output: Expanded set of reconstructed patches.
While P is not empty
  Pick and remove a patch p from P;
  For each image cell C_i(x, y) containing p
     Collect a set C of image cells for expansion;
     For each cell C_i(x', y') in C
        // Create a new patch candidate p'
        \mathbf{n}(p') \leftarrow \mathbf{n}(p), \quad R(p') \leftarrow R(p), \quad V(p') \leftarrow V^*(p');
        Update V^*(p'); // Eq. (2)
        Refine \mathbf{c}(p') and \mathbf{n}(p'); // (Sect.II-C)
        Add visible images (a depth-map test) to V(p');
        Update V^*(p'); // Eq. (2)
        If |V^*(p')| < \gamma
           Go back to For-loop (failure);
        Add p' to P;
        Add p' to corresponding Q_i(x,y) and Q_i^*(x,y);
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Filtering

First filter: Global visibility consistency

$$|V^*(p)|(1-g^*(p))| < \sum_{p_i \in U(p)} 1-g^*(p_i)$$

Second filter: Depth map test

check if patch truly visible in at least γ images after depth map test

Third filter: Check if patches have some neighbors in reference and other images.

A Correct patch

▲ Outlier

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VisualSFM+PMVS



MVSNet: Depth Inference for Unstructured Multi-view Stereo

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PMVS x MVSNet





Textureless Non-lambertian areas





2D CNN: quick glance





3D CNN: quick glance





Figure 3. Illustration of 3D convolution: (a) illustration of a 3D kernel to extract spatial-spectral features; (b) illustration of multiple 3D kernels to extract different kinds of spatial-spectral local feature patterns.

MVSNET Architecture



MVSNET



End-to-end MVS learning framework

Camera geometry encoded as differentiable homography

Variance based cost metric





8 convolutional layers

32 channel pixel descriptor

Images
$$\{I_i\}_{\{i=1\}}^N \xrightarrow{2D CNN} Deep Features $\{F_i\}_{\{i=1\}}^N$$$

Differentiable homography warping

Use intrinsic/extrinsic parameters

Warp features to the Feature volumes

Volume dimension W/4xH/4xDxF

There are N feature Volumes



 $Deep \ Features \ \{F_i\}_{i=1}^N \xrightarrow{Projection \ Parameters} Feature \ Volumes \ \{V_i\}_{i=1}^N$

$$\mathbf{H}_{i}(d) = \mathbf{K}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{R}_{i} \cdot \left(\mathbf{I} - \frac{(\mathbf{t}_{1} - \mathbf{t}_{i}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_{1}^{T}}{d}\right) \cdot \mathbf{R}_{1}^{T} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{1}^{T}$$

Cost Volume

Calculate the element wise cost of feature volumes

Dimension W/4xH/4xDxF



Feature Volumes $\{V_i\}_{\{i=1\}}^N \xrightarrow{Variance} Cost Volume C$

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{V}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{V}_N) = \frac{\sum\limits_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{V}_i - \overline{\mathbf{V}_i})^2}{N}$$

Cost Volume Regularization

3D Unet Architecture

Initial dimension W/4xH/4xDxF



Cost Volume $\mathbf{C} \xrightarrow{3D CNN}$ *Probability Volume* \mathbf{P}

Depth Map regression

Regressed depth based on expected value

Dimension W/4xH/4xD -> W/4xH/4

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Probability Volume
$$\mathbf{P} \xrightarrow{Expectation \ value}$$
 Depth Map \mathbf{L}
 $\mathbf{D} = \sum_{d=d_{min}}^{d_{max}} d imes \mathbf{P}(d)$

Refine Depth map





Loss



$$Loss = \sum_{p \in \mathbf{p}_{valid}} \underbrace{\|d(p) - \hat{d}_i(p)\|_1}_{Loss0} + \lambda \cdot \underbrace{\|d(p) - \hat{d}_r(p)\|_1}_{Loss1}$$

MVSNET Architecture





Photometric filtering:

P(d)>0.8

Geometric filtering:

3 View visible







(d) Reference image

(e) Fused point cloud

(f) GT point cloud







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