Imposing Consistency for Optical Flow Estimation (Supplementary Material)

1. Datasets

In our experiments, we have utilized the FlyingChairs (C) [2], FlyingThings3D (T) [5], Sintel (S) [1], and KITTI (K) [3,6] datasets which are the most popular datasets in the optical flow estimation problem. FlyingChairs [2] consist of 22,872 image pairs and the corresponding ground truths. It is composed of individual pairs, so we cannot constitute additional image pairs corresponding to k > 1. FlyingThings3D [5] consists of a training dataset of 21,818 images and a test dataset of 4,248 images. The images of FlyingThings3D consist of more than two consecutive frames, which have both the forward optical flow (20,151 pairs) and the backward optical flow (20,151 pairs) ground truth. In addition, this and Sintel datasets are categorized into clean pass and final pass, and the final pass is applied a postprocessing such as fog impact, motion blur, and so on. Therefore, the number of pairs in the training set of FlyingThings3D dataset increases to 80,604. Sintel [1] consists of a training dataset of 1,064 images and a test dataset of 564 images. Sintel is also composed of more than two consecutive frames, and as mentioned above, it is composed of a clean pass and a final pass. KITTI [3,6] consists of a training dataset of 400 images and a test dataset of 400 images. HD1K [4] consists of 1,083 images. These are composed of individual pairs same as FlyingChairs, so there are 200 pairs in both training and test datasets.

Table 1. We perform hyperparameter search over a grid of $\lambda_1 \in \{1.0, 0.1, 0.01, 0.001\}$ in Eq.10. We trained the model with the Flyingchairs (C) and Flyingthings (T) datasets and tested the model on the training dataset of the Sintel (S) and KITTI (T).

Method	λ_2	Sintel (train-EPE)		KITTI-15 (train)	
(small)		Clean	Final	F1-epe	F1-all
RAFT	-	2.21	3.35	7.51	26.9
RAFT + OC	1.0	2.48	3.60	8.57	27.6
	0.1	2.05	3.18	7.07	23.5
	0.01	2.19	3.24	7.41	23.6
	0.001	2.24	3.26	7.52	25.0

Table 2. We perform hyperparameter search over a grid of $\lambda_2 \in \{1.0, 0.1, 0.01, 0.001\}$ in Eq.10. The parameters are set to Transformation = R, $\epsilon = 25.0$, and k = 1,2. We trained the model with the Flyingchairs (C) and Flyingthings (T) datasets and tested the model on the training dataset of the Sintel (S) and KITTI (T).

Method	$\lambda 1$	Sintel (train-EPE)		KITTI-15 (train)	
(small)		Clean	Final	F1-epe	F1-all
RAFT	-	2.21	3.35	7.51	26.9
RAFT + TC	1.0	3.05	3.87	13.41	34.7
	0.1	2.06	3.23	7.16	23.3
	0.01	2.05	3.15	6.50	22.5
	0.001	2.05	3.20	6.47	22.7

Table 3. We perform hyperparameter search over a grid of epsilon $\epsilon \in \{3^2, 5^2, 7^2, \infty\}$ in Eq.8 under Transformation Consistency setting. The parameters in Transformation Consistency are set to $\lambda_2 = 0.01$, Transformation = R, and k = 1,2. We trained the model with the Flyingchairs (C) and Flyingthings (T) datasets and tested the model on the training dataset of the Sintel (S) and KITTI (T).

Method	ϵ	Sintel (train-EPE)		KITTI-15 (train)	
(small)		Clean	Final	F1-epe	F1-all
RAFT	-	2.21	3.35	7.51	26.9
RAFT + TC	3^{2}	2.09	3.19	6.46	22.5
	5^{2}	2.05	3.15	6.50	22.5
	7^{2}	2.04	3.16	6.63	22.6
	∞	2.09	3.18	6.91	22.9

2. Implementation Details

The codes used for our experiments are based on Pytorch, and we have used the official code¹ for RAFT [7]. Our method introduces three additional hyper parameters, namely, (λ_1, λ_2) of Eq.10 and ϵ of Eq.8. We performed a grid search over the values in {1.0, 0.1, 0.01, 0.001} for each λ in Eq.10 and in {3², 5², 7², ∞ } for ϵ value in Eq.8. In table 1, our model with occlusion consistency shows best performance at $\lambda_1 = 0.1$. For transformation consistency, our model shows superior scores in most evaluations at λ_2 = 0.01. In case of the ϵ , our transformation consistency loss has shown good performance in Sintel dataset with (5² and 7² for ϵ) and in KITTI dataset with (3² and 5² for ϵ). Therefore, we set the parameters to be $[(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = (0.1, 0.01), \epsilon =$ 5²].

https://github.com/princeton-vl/RAFT

3. Dataset Characterization with Displacement Distributions

Fig. 1 below shows cumulative density functions (CDFs) of the ground truth displacements for four popular optical flow datasets. In each plot, we accumulate displacement values symmetrically from -100 to 100 for individual dimensions of (u, v), corresponding to the X and Y axes, excluding larger displacements as outliers. For the FlyingChair dataset, the figure shows that most of the samples are near zero with a relatively small variance. The FlyingThings3D dataset, instead, shows a larger variance than FlyingChair and Sintel. In addition, KITTI appears to have a larger variance than the other datasets, possibly due in part to its smaller frame rates used in this dataset. Another interesting observation from the figures is that, unlike other datasets, KITTI demonstrates significant asymmetry in the flow distribution on the Y axis, as the images are probably dominated by downward movements in the images captured with frontal views of the vehicles.



Figure 1. Cumulative Density Functions (CDFs) of displacements in popular datasets. In each pair of sub-figures, the left and right sub-figures show displacements on the X(u) and Y(v) axes, respectively.

4. Performance Comparisons with More Examples

In the figure on the next page, we provide performance comparison with additional examples in a range of various EPEs from low to high.



Figure 2. More performance comparisons between the baseline (RAFT) and Ours (RAFT-OCTC) on Sintel train samples (trained with C+T).

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