## **Supplementary Material:**

# LD-ConGR: A Large RGB-D Video Dataset for Long-Distance Continuous **Gesture Recognition**

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## 1. Recording Spots

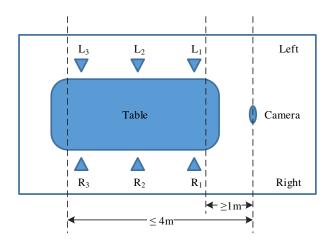


Figure 1. Six recording spots are set in each scene. The distance between the recording spot and the camera is between 1m and 4m.

Six recording spots are set in each scene, as shown in Fig. 1. The camera is fixed in front of the conference table. The 6 recording spots are evenly distributed on the left and right sides of the conference table, named  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$ ,  $L_3$ ,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  respectively from near to far from the camera. The distance between the recording spot and the camera is between 1m and 4m.

## 2. Gesture Region Estimation

In long-distance gesture recognition, the area where the gesture occurs is small compared to the background area. To reduce redundant information and focus on the gesture, we first estimate the gesture region based on the hand location and then conduct recognition in the estimated region. In the training stage, the hand location can be obtained from the annotations. During the test phase, a lightweight hand Algorithm 1 Gesture recognition model training with gesture region estimation.

**Input:** Dataset  $D_{train} = \{S_1, S_2, ..., S_n\}$ . Each gesture sample  $S_i \in D_{train}, i \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$  is given the frame sequence  $F_i = [f_{i,1}, f_{i,2}, ..., f_{i,m}]$ , the gesturing hand location  $(x_{i,j}, y_{i,j}, w_{i,j}, h_{i,j})$  in each frame  $f_{i,j}, j \in \{1, 2, ..., m\}$ , and the category  $c_i$ 

Output: Well-trained gesture recognition model weights  $M_a$ ; hand detector  $M_h$ 

- 1:  $D'_{train} = \emptyset$
- 2: for all  $S_i \in D_{train}$  do
- Get the hand location  $R_{hand} = (x_{i,1}, y_{i,1}, w_{i,1}, h_{i,1})$ of the first gesture frame  $f_{i,1}$  from the annotations  $\triangleright (x_{i,1}, y_{i,1})$  is the center coordinates of the hand bounding box.
- $R_{qes} = (x_{i,1}, y_{i,1}, 5 \times w_{i,1}, 4 \times h_{i,1}) \triangleright \text{Estimated gesture}$
- $F_i' = []$ 5:
- for all  $f_{i,j} \in F_i$  do 6:
- $\begin{aligned} f'_{i,j} &= Crop(f_{i,j}, R_{ges}) \\ \text{Append } f'_{i,j} \text{ to } F'_i \end{aligned}$ 7:
- 8:
- 9:
- Add  $S'_i = (F'_i, c_i)$  to  $D'_{train}$ 10:
- 11: **end for**
- 12: Train model  $M_g$  on  $D'_{train}$
- 13: Train a tiny hand detector  $M_h$  based on hand instances in  $D_{train}$
- 14: **return**  $M_a$ ,  $M_h$

detector is used to locate the hand. Benefiting from the hand location annotations of LD-ConGR, the hand detector can be well-trained on LD-ConGR. Algorithm 1 and Algorithm 2 illustrate the specific processes of training and predicting with gesture region estimation. In our experiments, the YOLO V4 tiny [1] is adopted as the hand detector.

Algorithm 2 Continuous gesture prediction with gesture region estimation.

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Input: Test video v; Gesture recognition model M_g; Hand
    detector M_h
Output: Gesture predictions
 1: C_{hand} = \{(h_{id}, region\_list, r_{bbox}, f_{id})\} 
ightharpoonup \text{hand cache}
 2: cur\_frame = Read(v)
 3: while cur\_frame do
       Detect hands on cur\_frame with hand detector M_h,
       detections = \{(h_{id}, h_{bbox})\}
       for all h_i \in detections do
 5:
         if h_i matches h_j \in C_{hand} \triangleright based on hand locations
 6:
            Estimate gesture region r_t based on h_{bbox} of h_i
 7:
            Update latest matched frame f_j to cur\_frame
 8:
            for hand h_i
            Update region r_{bbox} to r_t for hand h_i
 9:
            Crop r_t from cur_-frame and add it to the
 10:
            region\_list of hand h_i
11:
            Add the new hand instance h_i to C_{hand}
12:
13:
         end if
       end for
14:
       Do gesture recognition on all the region\_list \in
15:
       C_{hand} with the well-trained model M_q
       cur\_frame = Read(v)
16:
17: end while
18: return Gesture prediction results
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### 3. Ethics Statement

The data is only allowed for academic research and we will provide strict access for applicants who sign data use agreements. The subjects involved in data collection were informed of the uses of the data and signed informed consent.

#### References

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