Supplementary Material: Self-supervised 3D Human Pose Estimation from a Single Image

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Overview

We provide comparative per-activity quantitative results on Human3.6M (section 1); and additional qualitative results for Human3.6M [3] (section 2), MPI-INF-3DHP [9] (section 3), and HandDB [10] (section 4) datasets. Moreover, we include more details about the implementation and structure of the networks (section 5).

1. Quantitative Results on Human3.6M

Method	Assumptions	Dir.	Disc.	Eat	Greet	Phon.	Photo	Pose	Purch.	Sit	SitD.	Smoke	Wait	Walk	WalkD	WalkT	Avg.(↓)
Chen [1]	Full-3D	89.8	97.6	89.9	107.9	107.3	139.2	93.6	136.1	133.1	240.1	106.6	106.2	87.0	114.0	90.6	114.2
Kundu [7]	3D Kin.	80.2	81.3	86.0	86.7	94.1	83.4	87.5	84.2	101.2	110.9	86.0	87.8	86.9	94.3	90.9	89.4
Ours	Unp. 2D	84.4	77.8	89.0	99.2	100.6	101.8	77.2	86.5	112.2	144.4	97.3	80.4	93.6	103.3	102.5	96.7

Table 1. **Extended quantitative results on the Human3.6M dataset.** The P-MPJPE for each activity on the Human3.6M test set (subjects 9 and 11). The performance is compared with two state-of-the-art approaches for which per-activity data is available. Note that by only using unpaired 2D poses, we outperform methods that rely on paired 3D annotations [1]. We perform similarly; and even better for some activities (in bold) than methods relying on 3D kinematic constraints [7].



Figure 1. Distribution of P-MPJPE scores for each activity on the Human3.6M dataset. We achieve superior performance with only an unpaired prior on 2D poses than [1]. Our method also outperforms [7] (which assumes 3D kinematic constraints) in 20% of the activities.

2. Qualitative Results on Human3.6M



Figure 2. **3D** pose predictions on images corresponding to subject 9 (S9) from Human3.6M dataset. The first and fifth columns show the input image, and the following columns (second and sixth) display the actual 3D pose from the dataset (coloured in green) aligned with the 3D pose predicted by our model (coloured in red). The remaining columns show novel views of the predicted 3D pose.

Qualitative Results on Human3.6M (Continue)



Figure 3. **3D** pose predictions on images corresponding to subject 11 (S11) from Human3.6M dataset. The first and fifth columns show the input image, and the following columns (second and sixth) display the actual 3D pose from the dataset (coloured in green) aligned with the 3D pose predicted by our model (coloured in red). The remaining columns show novel views of the predicted 3D pose.

3. Qualitative Results on MPI-INF-3DHP



Figure 4. **3D** pose predictions on images corresponding to subjects 1 and 2 from MPI-INF-3DHP dataset. The first and fifth columns show the input image, and the following columns (second and sixth) display the actual 3D pose from the dataset (coloured in green) aligned with the 3D pose predicted by our model (coloured in red). The remaining columns show novel views of the predicted 3D pose.

Qualitative Results on MPI-INF-3DHP (Continue)



Figure 5. **3D** pose predictions on images corresponding to subjects 3,4,5, and 6 from MPI-INF-3DHP dataset. The first and fifth columns show the input image, and the following columns (second and sixth) display the actual 3D pose from the dataset (coloured in green) aligned with the 3D pose predicted by our model (coloured in red). The remaining columns show novel views of the predicted 3D pose.

4. Qualitative Results on HandDB



Figure 6. **3D hand pose predictions on synthetic hand images from HandDB dataset.** The first and sixth columns show the input image with its corresponding 2D ground-truth superimposed. The remaining columns show novel views of the predicted 3D hand pose.

5. Implementation details

Training details: We train the networks Φ , Ω , Λ and D, from scratch according to the loss function (Equation 12) from the main paper. We use the Adam optimiser [6] with learning rate of 2×10^{-4} , and $\beta_1 = 0.5$, $\beta_2 = 0.999$. Each batch is formed by sampling from the images and randomly sampling from the prior of unpaired 2D poses (which is then transformed to a skeleton image). The batch size is 96. Our model was trained for around 40 hours using one GPU from a NVIDIA DGX-MAX-Q server. The NF is pre-trained in line with [11] as shown on the next section.

Model components: This section shows the details of the networks used in our model. We include a pictorial representation of all the networks shown in Figure 2 from the main paper. The upper part of Figure 7 displays the networks needed for the mapping from image x to 3D pose v. The lower part shows the discriminator D needed during training to evaluate the skeleton images. In particular, Φ and Ω are based on [4, 5], the discriminator D on [5, 12], and the lifting network Λ on [8, 11].

Following [5], with respect to the discriminator D, we use three identical convolutional architectures, inputting different scales of the image: the original image and its downsized versions by $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$, respectively. We take the mean of the patchwise outputs from the three network, as indicated in Figure 7. The normalising flow network is shown in the following subsection since it requires a more detailed explanation.



Figure 7. **Pictorial representation of the networks that integrate our model.** Blue rectangles represent convolutional layers, and the orange ones the linear layers. Note that to keep the diagrams as simple as possible, we omit some components, such as the size of layers, normalisation layers, and activation functions; we include these elements in Table 2, Table 3, Table 4, and Table 5 of the next section.

Implementation details

Normalising flow: Following [11], we use the network in [2] to represent $f(\bar{y})$ from Equation 7 in the main paper. This network consists of consecutive affine coupling blocks like the one shown in Figure 8. Each coupling block applies a random permutation of the input. In our case, the input \bar{y} is the image in the PCA subspace of the 2D pose \hat{y} . After the permutation, it splits the vector into two parts, m_1 and m_2 . The first part m_1 , is used to predict a scale s and a translation t to deform m_2 . In the end, w_1 (or m_1 since it remains unchanged) is concatenated with the deformed m_2 represented as w_2 .



Figure 8. Affine coupling block. Multiple consecutive coupling blocks integrates the normalising flow. Diagram adapted from the supplemental material of [11].

During the forward pass the scale s and translation t are calculated as a function of m_1 , and then used to deform m_2 as follow

$$w_2 = \exp(s(m_1))m_2 + t(m_1) \qquad \& \qquad w_1 = m_1 \tag{1}$$

Similarly, the backward part is defined by

$$m_1 = w_1$$
 & $m_2 = (w_2 - t(w_1)) \exp(-s(w_1))$ (2)

The determinant of the Jacobian is given by

$$\det\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{y}}\right) = \exp\left(\sum_{j} s(m_1)_j\right).$$
(3)

Since the Jacobian of f does not need to calculate the Jacobian of the scale s and translation t functions, these could be complex.

Implementation details

Networks Structure

Layer	Out.Shape	Act.	Norm.			
Conv2d	$32\times128\times128$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$32\times128\times128$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$64 \times 64 \times 64$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$64 \times 64 \times 64$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$128\times32\times32$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$128 \times 32 \times 32$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$256\times16\times16$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$256\times16\times16$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$256\times 16\times 16$	-	-			
Conv2d	$256\times16\times16$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$256\times16\times16$	ReLU	Batch			
Upsampling	$128\times32\times32$	-	-			
Conv2d	$128 \times 32 \times 32$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$128 \times 32 \times 32$	ReLU	Batch			
Upsampling	$64 \times 64 \times 64$	-	-			
Conv2d	$64 \times 64 \times 64$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$64 \times 64 \times 64$	ReLU	Batch			
Upsampling	$32 \times 128 \times 128$	-	-			
Conv2d	$32\times128\times128$	ReLU	Batch			
Conv2d	$1\times 128\times 128$	-	-			
Final output shape: $1 \times 128 \times 128$						

Table 2. Structure of network Φ .

Layer	Out.Shape	Params	Act.	Norm.		
Conv2d	$32\times128\times128$	1,600	ReLU	Inst.		
Conv2d	$32 \times 128 \times 128$	9,248	ReLU	Inst.		
Conv2d	$64 \times 64 \times 64$	18,496	ReLU	Inst.		
Conv2d	$64 \times 64 \times 64$	36,928	ReLU	Inst.		
Conv2d	$128 \times 32 \times 32$	73,856	ReLU	Inst.		
Conv2d	$128 \times 32 \times 32$	147,584	ReLU	Inst.		
Conv2d	$256 \times 16 \times 16$	295,168	ReLU	Inst.		
Conv2d	$256 \times 16 \times 16$	590,080	ReLU	Inst.		
Conv2d	$17\times16\times16$	4,369	None	None		
Final output shape: $17 \times 16 \times 16$						
Total params: 1,177,329						

Table 3. Structure of network Ω .

Layer	Out.Shape	Params	Act.	Norm.		
Linear	1×1024	35,840	LReLU	None		
Linear	1×1024	1,049,600	LReLU	None		
Linear	1×1024	1,049,600	LReLU	None		
Linear	1×1024	1,049,600	LReLU	None		
Linear	1×1024	1,049,600	LReLU	None		
Linear	1×1024	1,049,600	LReLU	None		
Linear	1×1024	1,049,600	LReLU	None		
Linear	1×17	17,425	LReLU	None		
Linear	1×1024	1,049,600	LReLU	None		
Linear	1×1024	1,049,600	yReLU	None		
Linear	1×1024	1,049,600	LReLU	None		
Linear	1×1024	1,049,600	LReLU	None		
Linear	1×1	1,025	LReLU	None		
Final output shape: $[[1 \times 17], [1 \times 1]]$						
Total params: 10,550,290						

Table 4. Structure of network Λ .

Layer	Out.Shape	Params	Act.	Norm.			
Conv2d	$64 \times 64 \times 64$	1,088	LReLU	None			
Conv2d	$128\times32\times32$	131,200	LReLU	Inst.			
Conv2d	$256\times 16\times 16$	524,544	LReLU	Inst.			
Conv2d	$512\times15\times15$	2,097,664	LReLU	Inst.			
Conv2d	$1 \times 14 \times 14$	8,193	None	None			
Conv2d	$64 \times 32 \times 32$	1,088	LReLU	None			
Conv2d	$128\times16\times16$	131,200	LReLU	Inst.			
Conv2d	$256 \times 8 \times 8$	524,544	LReLU	Inst.			
Conv2d	$512 \times 7 \times 7$	2,097,664	LReLU	Inst.			
Conv2d	$1 \times 6 \times 6$	8,193	None	None			
Conv2d	$64 \times 16 \times 16$	1,088	LReLU	None			
Conv2d	$128 \times 8 \times 8$	131,200	LReLU	Inst.			
Conv2d	$256 \times 4 \times 4$	524,544	LReLU	Inst.			
Conv2d	$512 \times 3 \times 3$	2,097,664	LReLU	Inst.			
Conv2d	$1 \times 2 \times 2$	8,193	None	None			
Final output shape: $[[1 \times 14 \times 14], [1 \times 6 \times 6], [1 \times 2 \times 2]]$							
Total params: 8,288,067							

Table 5. Structure of network D.

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