Non-Rigid Structure from Motion: Prior-Free Factorization Method Revisited Supplementary Material

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Abstract

In this supplementary material, we first provide mathematical derivation to the sub-problems proposed in the paper [9]. For reference, we provide few qualitative comparison of our method in comparison to Dai et.al. approach [4]. Additional experimental results on real and synthetic dense dataset using our algorithm are also supplied. Lastly, we provide some general discussions on our algorithm.

1. Mathematical Derivations

The augmented form of the optimization is as follows:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\rho}(\mathbf{S}^{\sharp}, \mathbf{S}) = \mu \|\mathbf{S}^{\sharp}\|_{\Theta, *} + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{W} - \mathbf{RS}\|_{\mathbf{F}}^{2} + \frac{\rho}{2} \|\mathbf{S}^{\sharp} - g(\mathbf{S})\|_{\mathbf{F}}^{2} + \langle \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{S}^{\sharp} - g(\mathbf{S}) \rangle$$

$$(1)$$

(a) Solution to S: Minimization the Eq:(1) w.r.t 'S' gives the following form

$$\begin{aligned} \underset{\mathbf{S}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathcal{L}_{\rho}(\mathbf{S}) &= \frac{1}{2} \| \mathbf{W} - \mathbf{RS} \|_{\mathbf{F}}^{2} + \frac{\rho}{2} \| g^{-1}(\mathbf{S}^{\sharp}) - \mathbf{S} \|_{\mathbf{F}}^{2} + \\ &< g^{-1}(\mathbf{Y}), g^{-1}(\mathbf{S}^{\sharp}) - \mathbf{S} > \\ &\equiv \underset{\mathbf{S}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \| \mathbf{W} - \mathbf{RS} \|_{\mathbf{F}}^{2} + \frac{\rho}{2} \| \mathbf{S} - \left(g^{-1}(\mathbf{S}^{\sharp}) + \frac{g^{-1}(\mathbf{Y})}{\rho} \right) \|_{\mathbf{F}}^{2} \end{aligned}$$

Taking the derivative of Eq:(2) w.r.t S and equating it to 0 gives

$$(\rho \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{R}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{R})\mathbf{S} = \rho \left(g^{-1}(\mathbf{S}^{\sharp}) + \frac{g^{-1}(\mathbf{Y})}{\rho}\right) + \mathbf{R}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{W}$$
(3)

(b) Solution to S^{\sharp} : Minimization the Eq:(1) w.r.t ' S^{\sharp} ' gives the following form:

$$\equiv \underset{\mathbf{S}^{\sharp}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mu \| \mathbf{S}^{\sharp} \|_{\Theta,*} + \frac{\rho}{2} \| \mathbf{S}^{\sharp} - g(\mathbf{S}) \|_{\mathbf{F}}^{2} + \langle \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{S}^{\sharp} - g(\mathbf{S}) \rangle$$

$$\equiv \underset{\mathbf{S}^{\sharp}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mu \| \mathbf{S}^{\sharp} \|_{\Theta,*} + \frac{\rho}{2} \| \mathbf{S}^{\sharp} - \left(g(\mathbf{S}) - \frac{\mathbf{Y}}{\rho} \right) \|_{\mathbf{F}}^{2}$$

$$(4)$$



Figure 1: Convergence Curve

The Eq:(4) is solved by using the thresholding operator $S_{\tau}(\sigma) = \operatorname{sign}(\sigma).\operatorname{max}(|\sigma| - \tau, 0)$. Let $[\mathbb{U}, \Sigma, \mathbb{V}]$ be the singular value decomposition of $(g(S) - \frac{Y}{\rho})$ then the solution to S^{\sharp} is given by $S^{\sharp} = \mathbb{U}S_{\frac{\Theta\mu}{\rho}}(\Sigma)\mathbb{V}$, with Θ as the weight assigned to singular values.

2. Convergence Curve

Figure 1(a) show the convergence curve of our proposed optimization for solving non-rigid shape matrix.

3. Qualitative Comparison

At last, we provide the visual comparison of our algorithm in comparison to the targeted baseline [4] in Figure 2. The results clearly shows that by simple yet powerful rectification to simple prior free idea, we can achieve a sig-



Figure 2: Qualitative comparison of our algorithm with the classical baseline BMM [4] under the same model complexity value (K). The first row and the second row shows the 3D reconstruction using Dai *et al.* and our approach respectively on the benchmark dataset.(Best viewed in color)

nificant boost in the reconstruction quality¹.

4. More Experimental Results

4.1. Results on Dense Datasets

In contrast to Dai *et al.* [4], we also performed experimental analysis on Dense dataset [7]. Table (1) show the performance comparison of our algorithm on synthetic face sequence. The proposed algorithm performs reasonably well even on the dense dataset.

Data	DS [3]	DV [6]	PTA [1]	MP [17]	Ours
Seq.1	0.0636	0.0531	0.1559	0.2572	0.0591
Seq.2	0.0569	0.0457	0.1503	0.0640	0.0478
Seq.3	0.0374	0.0346	0.1252	0.0611	0.0281
Seq.4	0.0428	0.0379	0.1348	0.0762	0.0308

Table 1: Average 3D reconstruction error (e_{3D}) comparison on dense synthetic face sequence[6]. Note: The code for DV [6] is not publicly available, we tabulated its results from DS [3] work. BMM [4] evaluation on this dataset is not available.

4.2. Results on Missing Datasets

For more rigorous test on the missing dataset, we used Garg *et al.* real dense dataset sequence [6]. This dataset comprises of Face, Back and Heart sequence with 28332, 20561, and 68295 feature points tracked over 120, 150, and 80 images. Figure (3) show the qualitative results on the missing data for the available categories. The percentage of missing trajectories used for the experiments for Back, Face and Heart sequence are 29.87%, 41.17% and 43.93% respectively.

4.3. Timing details of the method

Run time of our algorithm for a typical sparse setting say 50 points, 300 frames is 39.46s in comparison to BMM [4] which is 34.24s.

5. Ablation Test

An ablation test is performed to show the contribution of smooth motion assumption and weighted nuclear norm minimization to 3D reconstruction accuracy. Table (2) provides the statistics, which clearly show the contribution of

¹Our claims are easy to verify and test using Dai *et al.* [4] publicly available code at http://users.cecs.anu.edu.au/ yuchao/publication.htm



(a) Back Sequence (29.87 %)

(b) Face Sequence (41.17%)

(c) Heart Sequence (43.93%)

Figure 3: Qualitative results on Garg *et al.* [6] real dense sequence. (1) Input image sequence (2) The green and red dot show the complete and missing trajectory respectively. (3) The qualitative results on the Back, Face and Heart sequence with 29.87%, 41.17% and 43.93% missing data sequence respectively.

our approach to improve the prior-free approach.

Data	D.R. + NN	D.R. + WNN	O.R + NN	O.R + WNN
Drink	0.0266	0.0119	0.0266	0.0119
Pickup	0.1731	0.0622	0.1517	0.0198
Yoga	0.1150	0.0129	0.1150	0.0129
Stretch	0.1034	0.0547	0.0910	0.0144

Table 2: Ablation study to show the contribution of both the step. D.R stands for Dai *et al.* rotation [4], O.R stands for Our rotation. NN and WNN refers to Nuclear and Weighted Nuclear Norm based optimization respectively to estimate shape.

6. Discussion

Note: The term «regularity» in the section(2) paragraph "plausible rectification" to the solution of rotation, in the main paper, is used in a loose sense. Kindly, ignore this if it's not mathematically precise to use it to convey the intuition.

Q. Why the assumption of «smooth» deformation of an object over frames is reasonable in solving NRSfM?

In many real world scenario's the transition of a non-rigidly moving object from one state to another over frames is not arbitrary but is well ordered or regular in terms of rigidity. Such assumption successfully captures the general notion about the global behavior of a deforming surface, at the same time maintains the local attribute of the surface. Therefore, to assume smooth motion is a reasonable choice and works well for most non-rigidly moving object [18]. *Q*. In some applications, we have more prior knowledge about the shape in addition to its low-rank matrix assumption, for example: exact rank of the clean shape matrix. In such cases, one may choose to minimize partial sum minimization of singular values optimization *i.e.*,

$$\underset{\mathbf{S}^{\sharp},\mathbf{S}}{\text{minimize } \mu | \text{rank}(\mathbf{S}^{\sharp}) - \mathbf{T} |} + \frac{1}{2} \| \mathbf{W} - \mathbf{RS} \|_{\mathbf{F}}^{2} \qquad (5)$$

where, T is the target rank of the shape matrix. However, such an optimization needs an introduction to new operator known as PSVT [16] to optimize the problem. Nevertheless, PSVT can be regarded as special case of solving the weighted nuclear norm minimization [2, 5]. Therefore, the point is, depending on the application, the proposed approach can be modified or changed, hence, its flexible.

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