

(1)

Deformable Templates

Note Title

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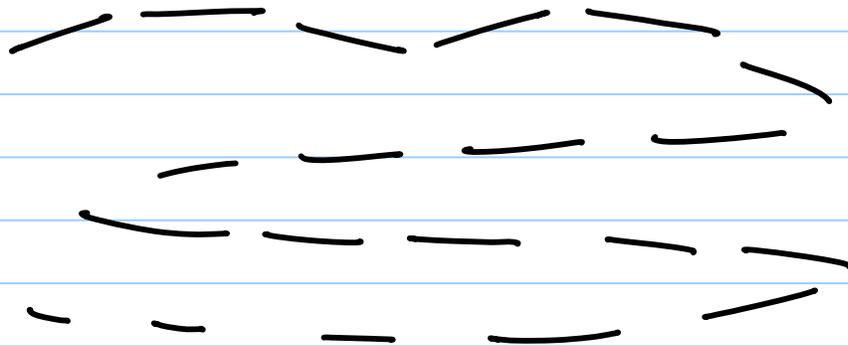
Detection in cluttered background.

Dynamic Programming. (Belief Propagation)

→ Coughlan et al.

Discrete Formulation

→ Felzenszwalb.
& Huttenlocher.



Set of edglets

positions $\{(y_a, \theta_a) : a = 1 \text{ to } M\}$

Prior Probability $Z_a = (y_a, \theta_a)$

Distribution Prior. $\prod_{a,b} \psi_{ab}(Z_a, Z_b)$

(2) Likelihood term

Image → detect edges

$$\{ (x_i, \gamma_i) : i = 1 \text{ to } N \}$$
$$\xi_i = (x_i, \gamma_i)$$

likelihood

$$p(\{ (x_i, \gamma_i) \} \mid \{ (y_a, \theta_a) \}, \{ V_{ai} \})$$

$$= \prod_{i,a} \left(\Psi(x_i, \gamma_i, y_a, \theta_a) \right)^{V_{ai}}$$

$\{ V_{ai} \}$ correspondence variables
(as in previous lecture)

Again. use a dummy node $i=0$

so that $V_{a0} = 0$ means

that (y_a, θ_a) is unmatched.

Simplify use the potential Ψ

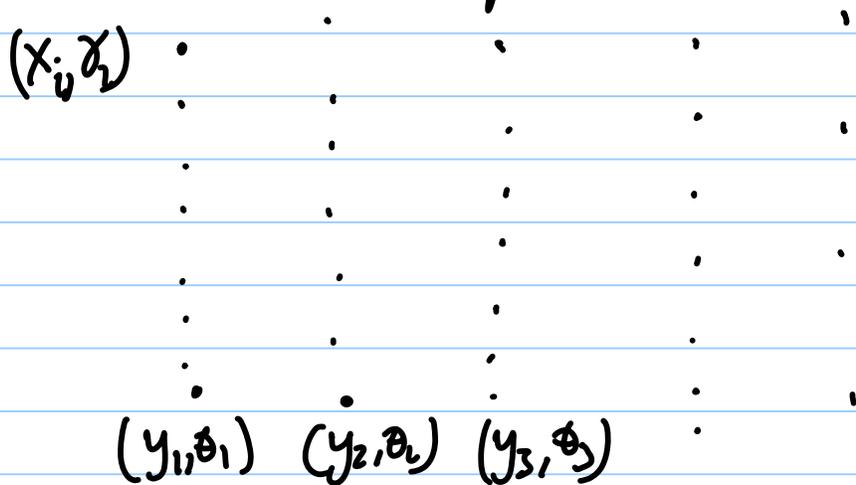
to ensure that points y_a must be

matched directly to some x_i i.e. $y_a = x_i$ for some i
penalty on distance between θ_a & γ_i

(3) This spatial constraint ensures that each y_a can take $N+1$ possible values — the N image edglets, or the junk node.

If the prior is tree-like, then we can detect the object by using dynamic programming.

$O(N^2M)$ complexity.



Coughlan's paper was rejected twice by CVPR. Reviewers thought that DP required initialization.

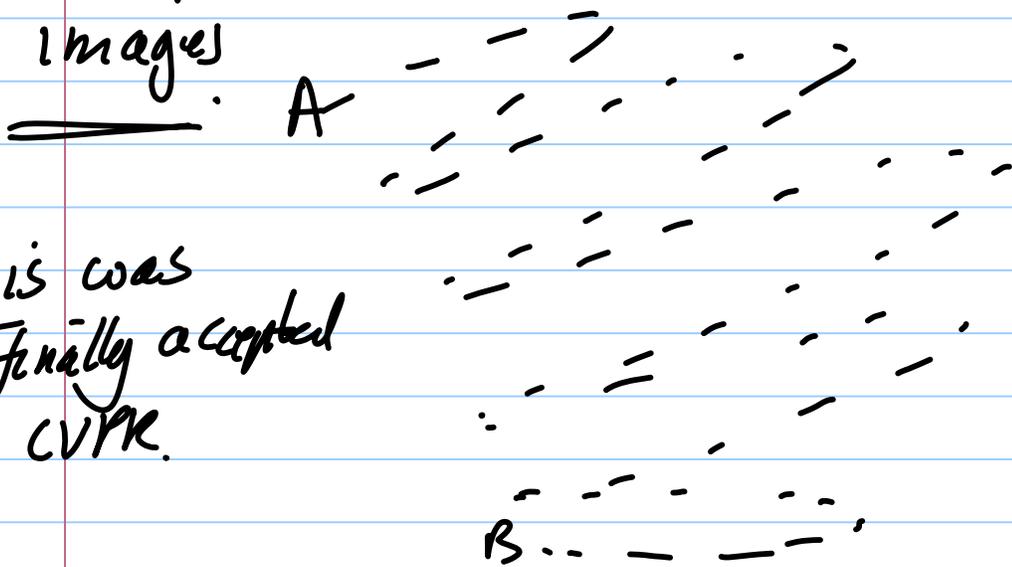
(4) In practice $O(N^2M)$ is still too large.

Use pruning heuristics
→ use neighbourhood relationships.

(e.g. if y_a is matched to x_i
then y_{a+1} can only match a point close to x_i)

Applied to detecting hands in

images

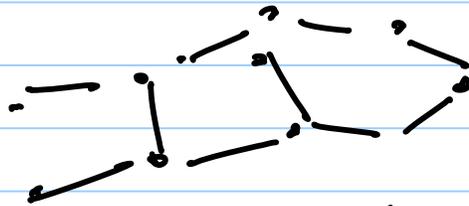


This was finally accepted by CVPR.

Algorithm → slightly unintuitive, search starts at one end on the hand (A) and proceeds to the other end (B)

(5) What if the deformable template model has closed loops.

→ e.g.

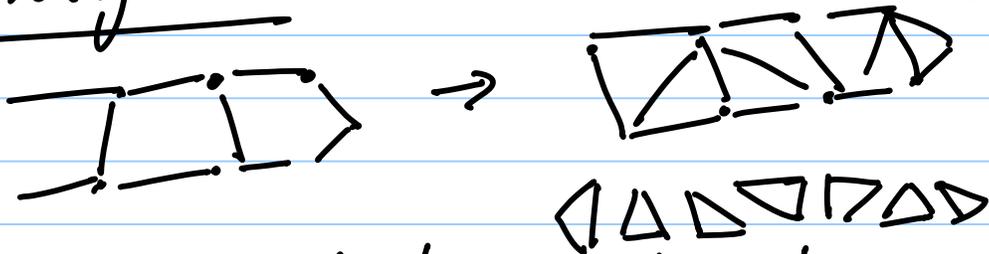


(1) Belief Propagation can be applied.

This has been proposed Coquilhan, Mullerbach & Felzenszwalb.

Performance is reasonable, but heuristics still needed to make this effective

(2) Triangulation → Junction Trees. (Amit Felzenszwalb)

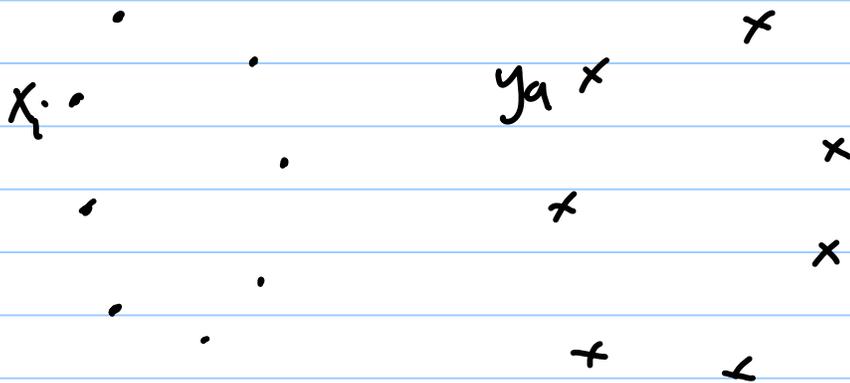


A tree in triangles.
Dynamic Programming applied to triangle variables

(6) Shape Matching

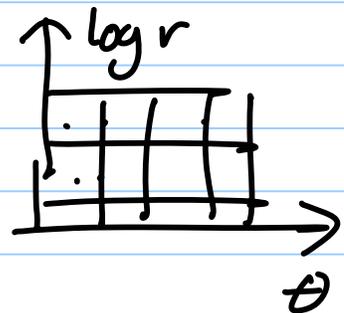
Shape context.

individual points are ambiguous
→ but local configurations are not.



For each point
→ compute the shape context.

the $\psi_i(x)$ → histogram



Define a measure of
Similarity $M(\psi_i(\underline{x}), \psi_a(\underline{y}))$

Matching criterion $\sum_{i,a} V_{ia} M(\psi_i(\underline{x}), \psi_a(\underline{y}))$

$$(7) \quad E[V] = \sum_{i,a} V_{ai} M(\Psi_i(x), \Psi_a(y))$$

Constraint: $\sum_a V_{ai} = 1, \forall i = 1 \dots M$

[-1] $\sum_i V_{ai} = 1, \forall a = 1 \dots M.$

This is the linear assignment problem.
Many algorithms can solve it efficiently

Hungarian
 Auction
 Sinkhorn

This approach can be extended to allow for geometric transformations.

Similar to EM algorithm

$$E[V, A] = \sum_{i,a} V_{ai} M(\Psi_i(x), \Psi_a(Ay))$$

alt. Initialize: $A = I$ identity.

Minimize wrt. $\{V_{ai}\}$ & A alternately.

(8) Attempt to combine shape context with generative models (Tu et al.)

Define a generative model (last lecture).

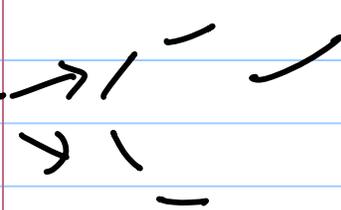
Problem with this generative model.

→ Scale, rotation are unknown.

→ Algorithm will get stuck in local minima.

Define a discriminative model using shape context and other features.

These features can be used to estimate properties that are invariant of the rotation

local orientation →  use relative orientation. (scale not needed)

(9) Recall that the EM algorithm for the generative model involves estimating the correspondences $\{V_{ia}\}$ and the deformation parameters.

Tu et al use the E-step from the discriminative model and the M-step from the generative model.