GraphMatch: Efficient Large-Scale Graph Construction for Structure from Motion



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SfM background

Images













Reconstruction





Matching graph



Brute Force







navely et al 2008]

[Snavely et al. 2008]

Skeletal graphs

SfM Revisited





[Moulon et al. 2013]

Global fusion

Building Rome in a day



Vocabulary tree



[Nister et al. 2006]

Graph based Match





PatchMatch





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GraphMatch

- Sampling step to identify new edges
- Propagation step to density matching graph
- Iterative "sample-and-propagate" scheme



GraphMatch

- Goal: Find most good matches as quickly as possible
- Good priors help predict potential matches
 - Sampling prior
 - Propagation prior



Sampling and Propagation priors





GraphMatch pipeline

- 1. Extract SIFT features and Fisher vector from images.
- 2. Compute fisher distance for all pairs of image.
- 3. While the algorithm has not converged do
 - 1. Sampling step
 - 2. Propagation step
- 4. Runs the reconstruction algorithm



Sampling Step





Sampling priors

- Vocabulary Tree
- VLAD vectors
- Fisher vectors







GraphMatch: Sampling

Voc. Tree scores are limited at predicting matching pairs.



GraphMatch: Sampling

VLAD vectors are better



GraphMatch: Sampling

Fisher vectors are best



Propagation Priors



Interleaving





Reconstruction of Roman Forum Scene





Matching graph for "Roman Forum" Scene Voc. Trees BRIAD [Agarwal et al. 2009] Our approach



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Iteration: 1

green: sampling edges red: propagation edges

Vienna Cathedral



Baseline: 134.3 hrs (est.) GraphMatch: 6.7 hrs



Piccadilly

Baseline: 163.6 hrs (est.) GraphMatch: 9.7 hrs



Trafalgar Square

Baseline: 835.4 hrs (est.) GraphMatch: 16.9 hrs



Cameras reconstructed for different datasets



Timing

DataSet	# recon cameras	Preprocess	Match	Recon	Total
VIENNA CATHEDRAL	794	3.37 min	367.58 min	44.28 min	450.60 min
PICADILLY	1863	3.61 min	512.53 min	98.34 min	655.38 min
Trafalgar	4057	7.93 min	1014.37 min	292.54 min	1380.68 min



Contributions

- Extension of PatchMatch to image matching.
 - "Sample-and-Propagate" Strategy
- Better priors (fisher vector)
- Efficiently finding more image matches
 - Achieving more reconstructed cameras
 - Maintaining equivalent speed-ups with Voc. tree



Limitations and Future Work

- Optimal parameter tuning.
- Image representation for sampling stage
 - PAIGE



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