Surface Reconstruction

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Outline

- Context
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 - Applications
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- Quest for robustness
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Context

Sensors

- Contact -> contact-free
- Short -> long range sensing



Contact



Laser



Aerial



Remote Sensing



Context

Sensors

- Structured-light (infrared, active)
- Passive stereo vision
- Digital cameras



Depth sensing



Photo-modeling



Context

Instrumented sensors

- Accelerometer
- Gyroscope
- GPS
- Compass / magnetometer
- Robotized platforms



Photo Phoenix Aerial Systems

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Digitizing the Physical World



Applications



Computational engineering







Biology Computer-aided medicine Zheng et al. 4D Reconstruction of Blooming Flowers.





Scene interpretation Choi et al. Robust Reconstruction of Indoor Scenes.



Underwater exploration Geology / Archeology



Cultural Heritage Data from Culture 3D Cloud [De Luca].



PROBLEM STATEMENT

Problem Statement





Scientific Challenge



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Real-World Problems

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"La lune": Data from Dassault Systèmes. Sun King's flagship, sank off the Toulon coastline in 1664.

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Output:

Surface: Approximation of S in terms of topology and geometry

Desired properties:

- Watertight
- Intersection free
- Data fitting vs smoothness



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Ill-posed Problem



Many candidate shapes for the reconstruction problem.



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MAIN APPROACHES

Priors



Smooth

Piecewise Smooth

"Simple"



Surface Smoothness Priors



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Domain-Specific Priors





Priors



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Voronoi Diagram & Delaunay Triangulation



Let $\mathcal{E} = {\mathbf{p_1}, \ldots, \mathbf{p_n}}$ be a set of points (so-called sites) in \mathbb{R}^d . We associate to each site $\mathbf{p_i}$ its Voronoi region $V(\mathbf{p_i})$ such that:

$$V(\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{i}}) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{d} : \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{i}}\| \le \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{j}}\|, \forall j \le n\}.$$

Delaunay triangulation: simplicial complex such that k+1 points form a Delaunay simplex if their Voronoi cells have nonempty intersection.





Delaunay-based Reconstruction

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First define

- Medial axis
- Local feature size
- Epsilon-sampling



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Medial Axis (2D)





Medial Axis



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Medial Axis



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Voronoi Diagram & Medial Axis



Local Feature Size





Epsilon-Sampling



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Crust Algorithm [Amenta et al.]





Delaunay Triangulation



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Augmented Delaunay Triangulation







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Figure from O. Devillers



Delaunay-based Reconstruction

Several Delaunay algorithms are provably correct

- Boissonnat
- Amenta, Bern, Eppstein
- Attali
- Dey, Goswami
- Cazals & Giesen
- ...

Dey. Curve and surface reconstruction: algorithms with mathematical analysis.



Delaunay-based Reconstruction

Several Delaunay algorithms are **provably correct**... in the absence of noise and undersampling.

------ perfect data ?

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Motivates reconstruction by fitting approximating implicit surfaces





Implicit Surface Approaches

Solve for scalar function (IR³ -> IR) defined as approximate

- <u>Signed distance</u> to inferred surface *S* [Hoppe 92, Carr et al. 01, Belyaev et al. 02]
- <u>Unsigned distance</u> to S
 [Hornung-Kobbelt 06]
- <u>Indicator</u> (characteristic) function of inferred solid
 [Kahzdan et al. 06]





Priors



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Indicator Function

Compute indicator function from oriented points (points + normals)



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Poisson Surface Reconstruction

Compute indicator function from oriented points



Poisson Surface Reconstruction. Kazhdan, Bolitho, Hoppe. EUROGRAPHICS Symposium on Geometry Processing 2006.

2D Poisson Reconstruction









3D Poisson Reconstruction





Oriented point set (data from CNR Pisa)

Reconstructed surface (via CGAL library)

Failure Case 1







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Failure Case 2





QUEST FOR ROBUSTNESS

Quest for Robustness





Poisson Reconstruction

Requires <u>oriented normals</u>, as many other implicit approaches.



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Poisson Reconstruction

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Normal estimation Normal orientation

ill-posed problems



Poisson Reconstruction

Can we deal with <u>unoriented normals</u>?



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Unoriented Normals?



Spectral Reconstruction



Voronoi-based Variational Reconstruction of Unoriented Point Sets. A., Cohen-Steiner, Tong, Desbrun. EUROGRAPHICS Symposium on Geometry Processing 2007.



Tensor Estimation





 $\int_{\Omega} (X - p)(X - p)^T dV$

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Noise-free vs Noisy





Dealing with Noise





Implicit Function



Tensors

Implicit function



Formulation

Find implicit function f such that its gradient ∇f best aligns to the principal component of the tensors.





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Rationale

On areas with:

<u>anisotropic</u> tensors: favors alignment <u>isotropic</u> tensors: favors smoothness

Large aligned gradients + smoothness

leads to consistent orientation of ∇f







Generalized Eigenvalue Problem

Given a tensor field *C*, find the *maximizer f* of:

$$E_{C}^{D}(f) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla f^{t} C \nabla f \text{ subject to:} \int_{\Omega} \left[|\Delta f|^{2} + \varepsilon |f|^{2} \right] = 1$$

$$\downarrow$$
A: anisotropic Laplacian operator
$$E_{C}^{D}(F) \approx F^{t} A F \qquad B: \text{ isotropic Bilaplacian operator}$$

$$E^{B}(f) \approx F^{t} B F$$

$$AF = \lambda BF$$

$$\max$$
Eigenvector





Eigenvector



Implicit Reconstruction



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Robustness to Sparse Sampling



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Robustness to Noise



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vs Poisson Reconstruction



Oriented points

Poisson

Spectral



vs Poisson Reconstruction



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Motivations

Complex shapes:

- Sharp features
- Boundaries
- Non-manifold features

Calls for feature preservation







Approach in 2D

Given a point set S, find a coarse triangulation T such that S is well approximated by uniform measures on the O- and 1-simplices of T.



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Approach in 2D

Given a point set *S*, find a coarse triangulation *T* such that *S* is well approximated by uniform measures on the 0- and 1-simplices of *T*.

How to measure distance D(S,T)?

 \Rightarrow optimal transport between measures

How to construct *T* that minimizes D(*S*,*T*)?

optimal location problem \Rightarrow greedy decimation

- Mérigot
- Peyré
- Schmitzer
- Cuturi
- Solomon

• ...

Distance between Measures (1D)

Transport plan:

 π on $\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{R}$ whose marginals are A and B

Transport cost:

$$W_2(A, B, \pi) = \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{R}} \|x - y\|^2 d\pi(x, y)\right)^{1/2}$$

Optimal transport:



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Piecewise Uniform Measures





Algorithm Overview



An Optimal Transport Approach to Robust Reconstruction and Simplification of 2D Shapes. De Goes, Cohen-Steiner, A., Desbrun. EUROGRAPHICS Symposium on Geometry Processing 2011.









Robustness





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More Outliers



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Features and Robustness



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Surface Reconstruction?



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Surface Reconstruction?





Solve through Linear Programming

Minimize $\sum_{ij} m_{ij} ||p_i - b_j||^2$ w.r.t. the variables m_{ij} and l_j , and subject to:



Feature-Preserving Surface Reconstruction and Simplification from Defect-Laden Point Sets. Digne, Cohen-Steiner, A., Desbrun, De Goes. Journal of Mathematical Imaging and Vision.



Vertex Relocation





Stairs





Stairs



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LIDAR Data (urban)



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Blade





WHAT NEXT

Priors



Smooth

Piecewise Smooth

<u>"Simple"</u>

Machine learning



Novel Acquisition Paradigms

• « Dip » transform



No.	Vertical angle(*)	Horizontal angle(*)	Height(mm)	Water level(mm)
1	24.000	0.000	-155.000	185.28
2	24.000	0.000	-160.000	185.28
3	24.000	0.000	-165.000	185.28
4	24.000	0.000	-170.000	185.28
5	24.000	0.000	-175.000	185.28
6	24.000	0.000	-180.000	185.28
7	24.000	0.000	-185.000	185.28
8	24.000	0.000	-190.000	185.28
9	24.000	0.000	-195.000	185.28
10	24.000	0.000	-200.000	185.32
11	24.000	0.000	-205.000	185.40
12	24.000	0.000	-210.000	185.56
13	24.000	0.000	-215.000	185.72
14	24.000	0.000	-220.000	185.88
15	24.000	0.000	-225.000	186.00
16	24.000	0.000	-230.000	186.12
17	24.000	0.000	-235.000	186.32



Dip Transform for 3D Shape Reconstruction. Aberman et al. To appear at ACM SIGGRAPH 2017

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Novel Acquisition Paradigms

• Community data



Snavely, Seitz, Szeliski. Photo tourism: Exploring photo collections in 3D.



Novel Acquisition Paradigms

Sensor networks

Scientific challenges:

- Fusion from heterogeneous sensors
- Progressive acquisition
- Continuous update
- High level queries



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3D Digitization

Societal impact:

- Cultural heritage accessible for all
- Telepresence via virtual/augmented/mixed reality
- New era of mass customization

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Thank you.

Recent survey:

A Survey of Surface Reconstruction from Point Clouds. Berger, Tagliasacchi, Seversky, Alliez, Guennebaud, Levine, Sharf and Silva. Computer Graphics Forum, 2016.

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