Improving High-Speed Scanning Systems by Photometric Stereo

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However...

Tedious, time consuming, often requires expertise

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Existing real-time scanners



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Cost to pay for rapid acquisition

Loss of accuracy

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Produced data

- Acquired geometry
- Calibration information
- Video flow
 - ▶ illumination: scanner's projector
 - viewpoint: scanner's acquisition camera

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Refined mesh

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Cons

- Involves a scanner made on purpose, not common systems
- Not intended to real-time scanning

Geometry Refinement Basic estimation of normal vectors

Color / normal relation for Lambertian surfaces

The color c_i observed in a single video frame F_i at a surface point p is given by:

$$c_i = \frac{\rho_d}{d_i^2} \left< \vec{n}_p, \vec{l}_i \right>$$

with:

- \vec{n}_p : unit normal vector at p
- \vec{l}_i : unit light direction at *p* for frame F_i
- d_i : light distance from p for frame F_i
- ρ_d : depends on light intensity, surface diffuse albedo, camera transfer function

Geometry Refinement Basic estimation of normal vectors

When p is visible in several frames $\{F_i\}_{1 \le i \le N}$

A solution for \vec{n}_p can be found by *least square fitting*:

$$\rho_d \ \vec{n}_p = \arg\min_X \ (LX - C)^2$$

with:

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} l_{1,x} & l_{1,y} & l_{1,z} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ l_{N,x} & l_{N,y} & l_{N,z} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } C = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & d_1^2 \\ \vdots \\ c_N & d_N^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Drawback

Solution quality depends on the sampling distribution

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Our solution

Sampling distribution analysis to constrain the least square solution

Geometry Refinement Light sampling analysis for improved normal fitting

Sampling distribution analysis



Consider a point p and its sampling of light directions

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Sampling distribution analysis



Compute the mean light direction \overline{I}











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Perform a PCA on the projected samples Leads to eigenvectors ν_1 , ν_2 and eigenvalues λ_1 , λ_2





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Geometry Refinement Integration of the normal field

Iterative integration

Each point *p* is moved along its initial normal *m
_p* in the mesh of an amount Δ computed by:

$$\Delta = \left(\underbrace{A(p)}_{p} + \underbrace{B(p)}_{p} \right)$$

push *p* to follow the normal field curvature enforce *p* to stay close to the initial surface

Repeated until convergence

Results

Results Basic normal fitting *vs.* Correction by sampling analysis

Case 1 – Light directions *evenly* distributed



Normals from initial mesh



Normals from least square



Corrected least square

both fittings behave similarly

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Case 2 – Light directions *unevenly* distributed



Normals from initial mesh

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Corrected least square

- incoherences in the normal field are corrected
- features are still recovered

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Initial mesh



Refined mesh



Hausdorff distance

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Pros

- Uses only data explicitly provided by the scanner
- Exploit high data density for refinement
- Accounts for a possible limited coverage of lighting directions
- Integrable in the classical pipeline of high-speed scanners

Limitations

- Fitting may fail for highly specular materials
- Technology mostly limited to small objects

Conclusion

Future work

- Formulate correction as an additional constraint for LS fitting
- Evaluation of results' accuracy
 - which ground truth to compare with?
- Get rid of the Lambertian material assumption
 - weighting accounting for deviation between lighting samples and perfect Lambertian model
- Online refinement
 - progressively updated while measurement is going on

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Tech Slide 1 Geometry integration

Iterative integration



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Tech Slide 2 Performances

Dataset	Video length	Processing time (in seconds)		
	(# frames)	Nor. fitting	Integr.	Total
Gargoyle	1070	198	5	203
Dwarf	2110	277	6	283

Table: Processing statistics for our test datasets.