relative depth from monocular optical flow

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Overview

input (two frames)



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output (relative depth map)



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Steps



Basic Principle

"The boundary between two regions follows the region which is closer to the camera."



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← (−2,0)

(-6,-1)





Implementation

Each occluded pixel votes for a relative depth order





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Application

Boundary conditions for video inpainting.



Technicalities: choice of optical flow

The method works using an *arbitrary* pre-computed *optical flow*. Several choices:

- Sparse + interpolated. (sift, curve matching)
- Dense (Brox-Warp, Brox-LDOF, Garrido, Alvarez, Papadakis, Lucas-Kanade)

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Segmentation-based

Technicalities: choice of segmentation

The method works using an *arbitrary segmentation* of the video into tubes. Several choices:

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- level-lines based
 - blind quantization
 - adaptive global quantization
 - Iocal adaptive (MSER, MLL)
- mumford-shah based
 - gray, color
 - flow
 - combined
- post-processing
 - grain filtering
 - mean filtering
 - modal filtering

Technicalities: motion models

We build a model for the movement of each region. Several choices:

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- mean traslation
- "median" traslation
- affine fitting (Least Squares)
- affine fitting (RANSAC)
- homographies

Technicalities: heuristics

The optical flow divergence has spikes near occlusions



flow divergence

Technicalities: heuristics

Close objects tend to move faster.



flow norm

Future work

- make the appropriate coices
- improve uncluttering
- TEMPORAL INTEGRATION (work on pairs of neighboring moving regions) ((e.g.: tube-based voting!))

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