3D Stereo Reconstruction

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Introduction

• Goal for this project:



Left view

Right view

Pointcloud Reconstruction

• Dataset: Middlebury 2021 Mobile dataset

https://vision.middlebury.edu/stereo/data/



Method

- Structure from Motion (SfM)
- Bundle Adjustment
- Multiview Stereo (MVS)



Target: Recover the extrinsic matrix and sparse points

How?

1. Keypoint extraction: SIFT, ORB, SURF



Figure 1: Keypoints (SURF)





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How?

2. Matching: Brute force or Flann



3. Filtering: Lowe's ratio test

Target: Recover the extrinsic matrix and sparse points

How?

- 4. Fundamental matrix:
 - 8 points algorithm
 - RANSAC algorithm 🗹
- 5. Recover Essential matrix
- 6. Recover R and T



Figure 4: Epipolar geometry, from https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Epipolar geometry



Target: Recover the extrinsic matrix and sparse points

How?

7. Triangulation





Method - 2: Bundle Adjustment

- Optimising the reprojection error objective.
- Huber loss is used for its robustness.
- Levenberg-Marquardt
- Ceres (RMSE)



Bundle Adjustment statistics	(approximated RMSE):	
#residuals: 19962 Initial RMSE: 2.36064 Final RMSE: 1.88907		
Time (s): 31.7501		



Method - 3: Multiview Stereo

• **Image rectify:** project images onto a common image plane.





Method - 3: Multiview Stereo

- StereoBM
- Semi Global Block Matching (SGBM)
- Depth map -> Point cloud



Depth Map

RGB Info

Point Cloud



Method - 3: Multiview Stereo

The semi-global algorithm attempts to establish a global Markov energy equation by constraining the one-dimensional path in multiple directions on the image. The final matching cost of each pixel is the superposition of all path information:

$$L_r(p,d) = c(p,d) + \min egin{cases} L_r(p-r,d) \ L_r(p-r,d\pm 1) + P_1 \ \min_{i=d_{\min},\dots,d_{\max}} L_r(p-r,i) + P_2 \end{pmatrix} - \min_{i=d_{\min},\dots,d_{\max}} L_r(p-r,i)$$

The output is the depth map. We can use the projection matrix Q to obtain the 3D points.

The color information can be obtained from the original RGB image.





Quantitative Results

• Keypoints detection

Method	Avg number of detected points*	
ORB	500	
SIFT	3850	
SURF	7708	

*averaged over 24 scenes in Middlebury 2021 Mobile Dataset

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Quantitative Results

• Keypoints Matching

Detection	Matching	Outlier Ratio ¹	Avg processing time(s)
SIFT	Flann (KDTree)	13.77	0.634
	BF ²	12.94	0.608
ORB	Flann (LSH)	17.64	0.111
	BF	14.39	0.104
SURF	Flann (KDTree)	21.46	0.660
	BF	20.23	0.795

¹Outliers ratios calculated from the RANSAC algorithms. ²Brutal Force



Quantitative Results

• Disparity map generation

Method	Avg Bad2.0* score	Avg processing time(s)
SGBM	46.633	0.941
StereoBM	65.213	0.216

*Bad2.0: the percentage of the bad pixels with disparity error larger than 2 pixels

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Qualitative Results



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Qualitative Results

ground truth ground truth point cloud point cloud point cloud point cloud skiboots1 artroom1 traproom1 curule1

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Qualitative Results - Artroom scene





Qualitative Results - Skiboots scene



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Conclusion

- Experimented with different detection and matching methods. compare them:
 - Quantitatively
 - Qualitatively
- Reconstruction is bad in constant-intensity areas



Any Questions?