Geometric Scene Understanding

Preliminary meeting

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Motivation

- What is scene understanding?

  - Algorithms that describe an image in terms familiar concepts:
    - Content: what is the underlying 3D structure and its properties?
    - Relationship: how are two images related?
    - Temporal evolution: how does the camera/object move?

- What does it mean geometric?
  - Leveraging or inferring geometric (3D) constraints.
Real-world scene understanding
What we expect

- Prerequisites:
  - Introduction to Deep Learning (IN2346)
  - Computer Vision II: Multi-view Geometry (IN2228)
- or any other relevant courses:
  - Computer Vision III (IN2375)
  - Machine Learning for 3D Geometry (IN2392)
- unsure → send us an email (gsu-ss24@vision.in.tum.de)
Timeline

- Send us your application (transcripts) by February 14.
- Projects are assigned to groups of 2-3 people.
- Reports are due by the end of the semester.
Summary

What you get:

- Interesting research problems.
- Teamwork in a group of 2-3 people.
- Regular group meetings (e.g. weekly) with an advisor.
- Access to a GPU cluster.

What you give:

- two presentations (midterm and final);
- written project report.
Your potential advisors

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Previous projects (1)

- Leverage geometric constraints to infer semantic-level concepts without supervision.

- Example scenario: Can we leverage temporal coherence (in the 3D world) to disentangle dynamic from static objects?
Previous projects (2)

Self-supervised instance segmentation using depth information
Previous projects (3)

- **This project**: Implement pose estimation using JAX

- DL library from Google, similar to PyTorch but with several advantages:
  - **Fully JIT-compiled** → very fast runtime
  - **JAXopt** → high quality optimizers, just need to define loss functions
  - **End-to-end differentiable** → the results can be combined with network training as a future project
Questions?

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Course webpage: https://cvg.cit.tum.de/teaching/ss2024/gsu