

Discriminative Bayesian Active Shape Models

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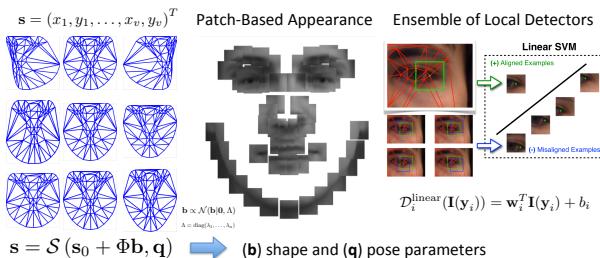
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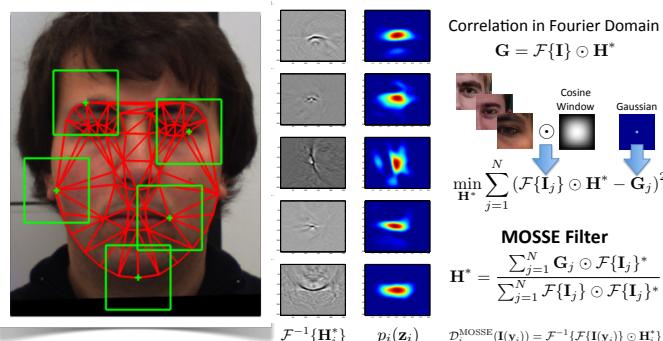
Overview:

- Goal:** Face alignment in unseen images.
- Closely related to Constrained Local Models (CLM) and Active Shape Models (ASM), where a set of local detectors is constrained to lie in the subspace spanned by a Point Distribution Model (PDM).
- Two step fitting approach:
 - (1) Local search using the local detectors (response maps for each landmark).
 - (2) Global optimization strategy that finds the PDM parameters that jointly maximize all the detection at once.
- New Bayesian global optimization strategy using second order statistics of the shape and pose parameters.

The Shape (PDM) and Appearance Models



Local Detectors (MOSSE Filters)



The Alignment Goal

Given a shape observation (y), find the optimal set of shape (b) and pose parameters that maximize the posterior probability

$$b^* = \arg \max_b p(b|y) \propto p(y|b)p(b)$$

Assuming:

- ① Conditional independence between landmarks
- ② Close to a solution

$$p(b|y) \propto \left(\prod_{i=1}^v p(y_i|b) \right) p(b|b_{k-1}^*)$$

Likelihood from the local detectors Prior from the PDM parameters transition

The Likelihood Term

$$p(y|b) \propto \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(y - (s_0 + \Phi b))^T \Sigma_y^{-1} (y - (s_0 + \Phi b))}{\Delta y} \right)$$

Observed shape (y) Likelihood follow a Gaussian distribution $p(y|b) \propto \mathcal{N}(\Delta y|\Phi b, \Sigma_y)$

Uncertainty covariance Σ_y 2×2 Block diagonal

The Prior Term

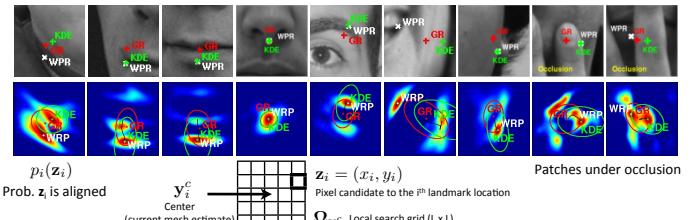
$$p(b_k|b_{k-1}) \propto \mathcal{N}(b_k|\mu_b, \Sigma_b)$$

$$\mu_b = b_{k-1}$$

$$\Sigma_b = \Lambda + \Xi$$

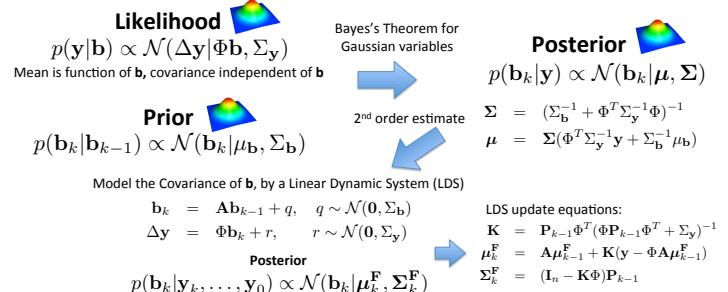
PCA eigenvalues + additive dynamic noise

Local Optimization Strategies (Finding the Likelihood Parameters)



Weighted Peak Response (WPR)	Gaussian Response (GR)	Kernel Density Estimator (KDE)
$y_i^{\text{WPR}} = \max_{z_i \in \Omega_{\mathbf{y}_i^c}} (p_i(z_i))$	$y_i^{\text{GR}} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{z_i \in \Omega_{\mathbf{y}_i^c}} p_i(z_i)$	$y_i^{\text{KDE}} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{z_i \in \Omega_{\mathbf{y}_i^c}} p_i(z_i) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{KDE}(\tau+1)}, \sigma_{\mathbf{y}_i^c}^2 \mathbf{I}_2)$
$\Sigma_{\mathbf{y}_i^c}^{\text{WPR}} = \text{diag}(p_i(y_i^{\text{WPR}}))$	$\Sigma_{\mathbf{y}_i^c}^{\text{GR}} = \frac{1}{d-1} \sum_{z_i \in \Omega_{\mathbf{y}_i^c}} p_i(z_i)(z_i - \mathbf{y}_i^{\text{GR}})(z_i - \mathbf{y}_i^{\text{GR}})^T$	$\Sigma_{\mathbf{y}_i^c}^{\text{KDE}} = \frac{1}{d-1} \sum_{z_i \in \Omega_{\mathbf{y}_i^c}} p_i(z_i)(z_i - y_i^{\text{KDE}})(z_i - y_i^{\text{KDE}})^T$

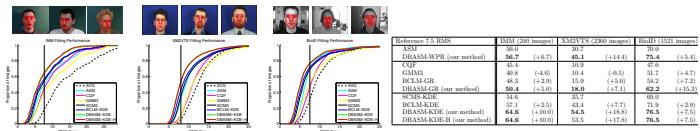
2nd Order MAP Global Alignment (DBASM)



Qualitative Results - Labeled Faces in the Wild



Evaluating Global Optimization Strategies



Tracking Performance - FGNET Talking Face Sequence

