# Image Matching via Saliency Region Correspondences 

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Most approaches assume large dominant overlaps


RANSAC needs sufficient inlier portion ( > 30\%) and assumes a model.
Can we match without a model and still deal with small overlap?


## Using Regions in Matching



## Interplay Between Region and Feature Matches



Propagation of feature matches to region matches


Restriction of feature matches only to ones relating matching regions

## Co-Salient Regions



Goal 1:
Form coherent image segments
$\rightarrow$ Intra-Image Similarity


Goal 2:
Exhibit strong feature similarities between the segments $\rightarrow$ Inter-Image Similarity

## Image as a Graph



## Correspondence Matrix: $P \circ C$


pointwise multiplication

## Segment Indicator Vectors

## segment


$\sqrt{v}$
$V_{2}$



## Inter-Image Similarity


segment indicator $\quad V_{1}$ vector
$\square$ X


Intra-Image Similarity


## Co-Salient Region Matching Score

inter-image similarity

$V_{1}^{T}(P \circ C) V_{2}+V_{1}^{T} W_{1} V_{1}+V_{2}^{T} W_{2} V_{2}=$ $\operatorname{tr}\left(V^{T}\left(\begin{array}{cc}W_{1} & (P \circ C) \\ (P \circ C)^{T} & W_{2}\end{array}\right) V\right)$ with $V=\binom{V_{1}}{V_{2}}$

## Co-Salient Region Matching Score

$$
\operatorname{Score}(V, P)=\operatorname{tr}\left(V^{T}\left(\begin{array}{cc}
W_{1} & (P \circ C) \\
(P \circ C)^{T} & W_{2}
\end{array}\right) V\right)
$$



Goal 1:
Matching co-salient regions: find optimal $\mathbf{V}$ for given initial selection $\mathbf{P}$ of matches from $C$.


## Goal 2:

Inlier selection for point matches: find optimal selection matrix $\mathbf{P}$ for given co-salient regions V.

## Matching Co-Salient Regions I

Maximize $\operatorname{tr}\left(V^{T}\left(\begin{array}{cc}W_{1} & (P \circ C) \\ (P \circ C)^{T} & W_{2}\end{array}\right) V\right)$ w.r.t. $V$

Naïve attempt - optimization with no restrictions on V fails !

( $\mathrm{P} \circ \mathrm{C}$ ) is much sparser than $\mathrm{W}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{W}_{2}$

Intra-image similarities dominate score function


Score $=V_{1}^{T}(P \circ C) V_{2}+V_{1}^{T} W_{1} V_{1}+V_{2}^{T} W_{2} V_{2}$

## Matching Co-Salient Regions II

Better: restrict co-salient regions to lie in a space of dominant segmentation modes
input images

spectral basis / dominant segmentation modes


## Matching Co-Salient Regions III

Maximize $\operatorname{tr}\left(V^{T}\left(\begin{array}{cc}W_{1} & (P \circ C) \\ (P \circ C)^{T} & W_{2}\end{array}\right) V\right)$ for $V=S A$


Restrict co-salient regions to a space of dominant segmentation modes

The subspace restriction enables

- clear matches of co-salient regions
- propagation of feature matches to region matches



## Inlier Selection

Maximize $\operatorname{tr}\left(V^{T}\left(\begin{array}{cc}W_{1} & P_{\text {inlier }} \circ C \\ \left(P_{\text {inlier }} \circ C\right)^{T} & W_{2}\end{array}\right) V\right)$ w.r.t. $P_{\text {inlier }}$


Such that:

- $P_{\text {inlier }} \subset P$
- Consistency with region matches
$\downarrow$ Linear Programming

$P_{\text {inlier }} \circ C \leftarrow(P \circ C) \circ V_{1} V_{2}^{T}$
$\left(\cdot V_{1, L} \cdot V_{2, R} \cdot\right)^{0}$


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$P_{\text {inlier }} \circ C \leftarrow(P \circ C) \circ V_{1} V_{2}^{T}$
$\mathbf{P}_{\text {inlier }}$ is consistent with co-salient region matches $\mathbf{V}$


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$C \circ V_{1} V_{2}^{T}$

Selection of feature matches
$\Longleftrightarrow$ from C based on co-salient region matches V .

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Where am I?
accuracy rate of point matches

| matches <br> ranked among | initial | $P_{\text {dense }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1-30$ | $19 \%$ | $75 \%$ |
| $31-60$ | $12 \%$ | $52 \%$ |
| $60-90$ | $15 \%$ | $44 \%$ |

query:

[ICCV 2005 CV Contest]
accuracy rate of query results

| dataset | accuracy <br> of best match | Acccuracy of <br> top 2 matches |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Final 5 | $95 \%$ | $95 \%$ |
| Test 4 | $90 \%$ | $85 \%$ |

## Thank You!

## Questions?



