# PHOTOMETRIC ODOMETRY FOR DYNAMIC OBJECTS

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#### **MOTIVATION: LARGE COMPLEX SENSOR RIGS**





#### **INSPIRATION: DIRECT PHOTOMETRIC SLAM**



# **PROBLEM STATEMENT**

#### Is it possible to:

Use data from visible light cameras

Estimate the motion of dynamic objects in the world

Estimate the motion of the camera itself

#### **KEY OBSERVATION: TRANSFORM EQUIVALENCE**



Observing of a static object from a moving camera will be the same as a moving object observed from a static camera.

#### **DIRECT PHOTOMETRIC ALIGNMENT**

$$r(\boldsymbol{x_1}, d_1, \boldsymbol{T}) \coloneqq \boldsymbol{I_2}\left(\tau\left(\boldsymbol{x_1}, d_1, \boldsymbol{T}\right)\right) - \boldsymbol{I_1}\left(\boldsymbol{x_1}\right)$$

$$T_{MAP} = \arg \max_{T} p\left(T|r\right)$$

$$T_{MAP} = \arg\min_{T} \sum_{i} w(r_{i}) (r_{i}(T))^{2}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{MAP} = \arg\min_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}} \sum_{i} w\left(r_{i}\right) \left(r_{i}\left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}\right)\right)^{2}$$

# **KEY OBSERVATION: MOTION OUTLIERS**

Independently moving objects produce large photometric residuals between image frames.



# MOTION SEGMENTATION - RANDOM FIELDS

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & p(\boldsymbol{Y}|\boldsymbol{R}) = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{R})} \tilde{p}(\boldsymbol{Y}|\boldsymbol{R}) \\ & & p(\boldsymbol{Y}|\boldsymbol{R}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n \times m} \phi(y_i, r_i) \prod_{j \in \mathbf{N}(\boldsymbol{x}_i)} \phi(y_i, y_j) \\ & & & \boldsymbol{Y}_3 - \boldsymbol{Y}_4 - \boldsymbol{f}_4 \\ & & & Z(\boldsymbol{R}) = \sum_{\boldsymbol{Y} \in \mathcal{Y}} \tilde{p}(\boldsymbol{Y}|\boldsymbol{R}) \end{array}$$

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Magnitude of photometric residual as unary energy term in MRF segmentation.

#### MOTION SEGMENTATION - GRAPH CUTS



#### DISAMBIGUATION



Instance segmentation to disambiguate object from background, including low-texture regions.

# PUTTING IT TOGETHER: JOINT ESTIMATION

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\xi}_{l}MAP &= \arg\max_{\hat{\xi}_{l}} p\left(\hat{\xi}_{l}|R_{l}\right) = \arg\max_{\hat{\xi}_{l}} \sum_{Y_{l}}^{\mathcal{Y}_{l}} p\left(\hat{\xi}_{l}, Y_{l}|R_{l}\right) \\ \mathcal{I}_{l} \leftarrow \mathcal{X}_{l} \\ R_{l} \leftarrow \mathcal{R}(F, \mathcal{X}_{l}, \hat{\xi}_{l}) \\ \text{while not converged do} \\ \hat{\xi}_{l} \leftarrow \arg\max_{\hat{\xi}_{l}} p\left(\hat{\xi}_{l}|R_{l}; \mathcal{I}_{l}\right) \\ R_{l} \leftarrow \mathcal{R}(F, \mathcal{X}_{l}, \hat{\xi}_{l}) \\ Y_{l} \leftarrow \arg\max_{Y_{l}} p\left(Y_{l}|R_{l}\right) \\ \mathcal{I}_{l} \leftarrow \operatorname{assign}(Y_{l}) \\ \text{end while} \end{aligned}$$



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Good performance for translational motions.

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Poor performance for rotational motions.

## **RELATIVE ROTATIONS**

Hypothesis: Rotational motions induce large 'virtual' translation.



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# **CONCLUSIONS & FUTURE WORK**

It is possible to track moving objects using dynamic photometric odometry, but there are limitations.

#### Future work should focus on:

- Determining the source of tracking failure in the rotating case.
- Refining estimates of the 3D structure of the dynamic objects.
- Improve computational performance by fully exploiting the parallelism of the problem.