



Visual Tracking of Surgical Tools in Retinal Surgery using Particle Filtering

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Project Background

- Vitreoretinal surgery treats problems with retina, macula, and vitreous fluid
- Many complications due to fragility of retina, indirect visualization, and physiological tremor
- Long operating times and risks of surgical error



http://www.eyedoctorguide.com/eye problems/vitreoretinal surgery retina.html





Project Description

- Goal: Develop a direct visual tracking method for retinal surgical tools using particle filtering and mutual information
- Advantages:
 - Particle filter is computationally efficient and robust
 - Mutual information performs better than SSD and NCC in many cases
- Opportunity to parallelize computation in both particle filter and mutual information





Research Paper

Mutual Information Computation and Maximization Using GPU

Yuping Lin and Gérard Medioni Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Workshops (CVPR) Anchorage, AK, pp. 1-6, June 2008



Summary



- Problem:
 - Multi-modal registration of images is difficult to solve
 - Maximization of mutual information works but is slow
- Key result: Validated that calculation of mutual information can be parallelized on a graphics processing unit (GPU)
- Significance:
 - Use of mutual information to register multi-modal images can run in a reasonable amount of time





Mutual Information

 $h(v) = -\sum_{v} p(v) \ln(p(v))$ $h(u,v) = -\sum_{u,v} p(u,v) * \ln(p(u,v))$ MI(u,v) = h(u)+h(v)-h(u,v)

ERC I CISST Mutual Information Approximation

- "Viola's Approach" provides a closed form solution of derivatives
- Estimate probability density:

$$p(v) = (1/N_A) * \sum_{v_j \in A} G_{\varphi}(v-v_j)$$

• Entropy: $h(v) \approx \frac{-1}{N_B} \sum_{v_i \in B} \ln \frac{1}{N_A} \sum_{v_j \in A} G_{\psi}(v_i - v_j)$



Maximize this over a rigid transformation T using approximate derivative:

$$\frac{d}{dT}MI(I_u(x), I_v(T(x))) = \frac{1}{N_B} \sum_{x_i \in B} \sum_{x_j \in A} (v_i - v_j)^T W(x_i, x_j) \frac{d}{dT} (v_i - v_j)$$

Independent Calculations!





GPU/CUDA Architecture

 Single Instruction Multiple Data (SIMD) architecture



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:SIMD.svg



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• Shared memory is key: on-chip and programmable



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LABORATORY FOR

Computational

Sensing + Robotics

ERCICISST Validation and Results Time to perform registration (50 iterations)



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- Approximation methods and CUDA algorithm enables use of MI for image registration within a reasonable amount of time as compared to a CPU-based approach
- Integration into applications
- Performance of other MI approximations





Comments: Strengths

- Novel approach to solve problem
- Mathematical details presented adequately
- Pseudocode (serial execution) algorithm
- Description of computational hardware included





Comments: Weaknesses

- More information on test datasets
- No info on inter-trial variance in results
- Why was Viola's algorithm chosen?
- CPU memory bandwidth not discussed
- Future work: bilinear interpolation





Relevance to Project

- MI on GPU: high throughput!, but...
- MI calculation method differs
- Gradient descent: local minima problem
- Repeating many calculations of MI with low sample count
- Serial fast MI or parallel MI?



Reading List



- NVIDIA CUDA C Programming Guide 4.1. 2011
- R. Shams and N. Barnes. Speeding up mutual information computation using NVIDIA CUDA hardware. *Digital Image Computing Techniques and Applications*, pages 555–560, 2007.



Questions?

