Few-shot Geometry-Aware Keypoint Localization

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Brief Introduction

Goal: Train a keypoint detector with



Many unannotated examples



Few annotated examples

Method:

- 1. Adapt existing 2D unsupervised keypoints methods
- 2. Constrain the keypoints in 3D, and model keypoint occlusion (uncertainty)



Motivation

Keypoint is a common middle representation that are widely used in high-level tasks, such as



Pose transfer



3D reconstruction

However,

- Supervised keypoint annotation is expensive and tedious.
- Unsupervised keypoints are not human interpretable
- Semi-supervised methods still need more than thousands of annotated examples
- Existing few-shot methods only work on specific area, e.g., faces, X-rays.



Human annotated keypoints



Unsupervised keypoints



Basic idea: Inject the few-shot supervision to unsupervised keypoint detection

Image reconstruction from edge maps and masked images (He' 2022 NeurIPS)

Keypoint follow the same transformation applied to the image (Thewlis' 2017 ICCV)

In each batch, we sample partially from annotated examples, and supervise their learned keypoints

2D keypoint supervision



Unsupervised Learning Image reconstruction Equivariant transformation





Idea

However, human annotated keypoints are projection from 3D, which contains occlusion.



Here the teeth keypoints are occluded, behind the lips

Constrain keypoints in 3D:

• Model occlusion (uncertainty)



• Similarity in 3D

For each example in a batch





Constrain in parts: constrain upper teeth, bottom teeth, lips, and whole object separately





Input Image

Random Masking



Masked Image

Overview



Masked Image

Overview















Qualitative Results





Orig. +45 yaw

-45 yaw

See Sec.5 (Fig. 5) in paper for an analysis of jaw landmarks





Qualitative Comparison



*All methods were trained on SynthesEyes dataset with the same 10-shot images *All r

• *All methods were trained on WLFW dataset with the same 10-shot images

Ablation Tests



- No image reconstruction: overfit to a fixed structure
- No 2D geometry constraint: generating extreme outliers
- No uncertainty / 3D geometry constraint : overfit to visible regions

Ablation Tests



If the annotated keypoints are not consistent in 3D, the predicted 3D keypoints are deformed

Limitations

Fails to resolve symmetric objects

Cannot handle highly articulated bodies



Our model cannot handle highly articulated bodies with 50-shot images and fails to find a structure*

Image: Structure

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Both problems can be resolved by adding hundreds of labels