REAL-TIME ANALYSIS FOR SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY

ESR 11: Real-Time Analysis through computer vision on dashcams and triggers in High Energy Physics

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Self-presentation

I am SMARTHEP's ESR11, Henrique, from Santiago de Compostela (Spain)

Academic Background

- MSc in Computer Vision (Universities of Coruña, Santiago, Vigo and Porto, 2022)
- BSc in Industrial Electronics and Automation Engineering (University of Vigo, 2020)

Prior experience

Briefly worked on two other European projects: InfraROB at UVigo (Spain) and AdMiRe at EPFL (Switzerland) in computer vision related topics, which is my main research interest.

Currently

PhD program in Computer Science and Engineering at the University of Bologna and working at Verizon Connect (Florence).

Supervised by Francesco Sambo, Leonardo Taccari and Samuele Salti.



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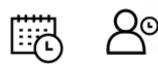


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Field service management



Compliance management



Integrated video

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Road scene understanding with dashcams









Introduction

Main goal of this project: tackle **real time analysis** problems in the use cases of Verizon Connect, mainly on its video-related products.

Tasks of interest:

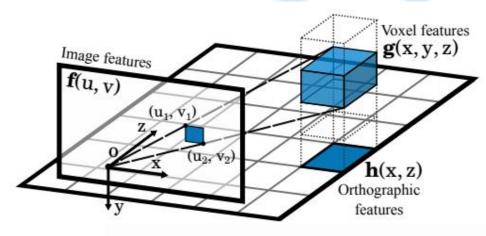
- Accident anticipation
- Collision warnings
- Trajectory forecasting





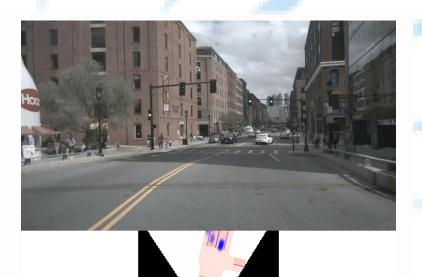
Bird's Eye View Perception

• Bird's Eye View: a 2D ortographic projection of the world along the direction of gravity



Widely used and desirable representation for road scenes.

- Road agents' movement mostly restricted to ground plane
- More compact than an explicit 3D representation like a voxel grid
- Easy to integrate additional cameras/sensors



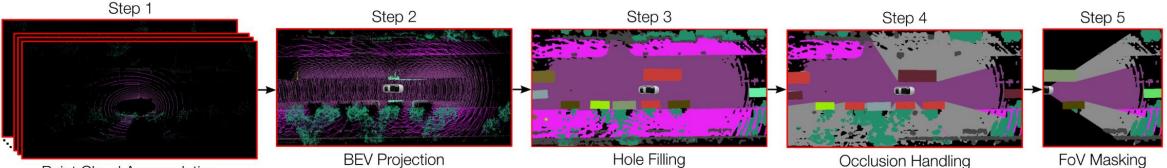
Vehicle segmentation in BEV with *SimpleBEV, Harley et al., ICRA 2023* nuScenes dataset, underlying map is ground truth





Data problem

- Current work focuses on the supervised approach
- Generating labels for BEV tasks (e.g. semantic segmentation) requires annotated point cloud which are expensive to generate and require special sensors



Point Cloud Accumulation

Pipeline to generate BEV panoptic segmentation labels from annotated point clouds in the KITTI360 dataset in PanopticBEV, Gosala and Valada, Robotics and Automation Letters 2022

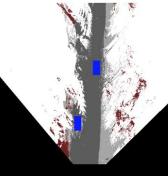




1st approach - Pseudolabels

 Pseudolabel-based approach, inspired by SkyEye, Gosala et al, CVPR 2023 the first functional BEV semantic segmentation work without GT labels. However, the quality of our pseudolabels was worse than SkyEye's and to improve we were converging towards their solution.







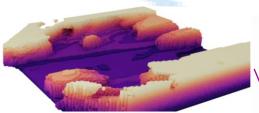
BEV semantic segmentation pseudolabel extracted with our proposal



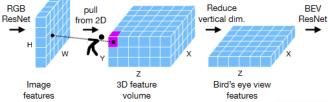
2nd approach – Self-supervision

Volumetric rendering

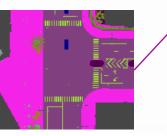
Density volume



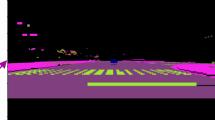
For each 3D coordinate, bilinear sample at the projected subpixel location



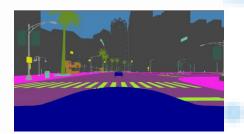
Adam W. Harley et al. Simple-BEV: What Really Matters for Multi-Sensor BEV Perception? ICRA 2023. BEV semantic segmentation



Reconstructed perspective view







Ground truth semantic segmentation





Challenges and next steps

- Using only one image at a time → Scale problem, too many possible wrong 3D geometries generate the correct reconstruction target.
- Currently
- Experimenting with enforcing spatiotemporal consistency using video
- Additional supervision from a RGB photometric loss





Other activities

Training

- Different PhD courses from the University of Bologna
- ACDL summer school on Data Science and Machine Learning

Tutoring

• Supervising a master student doing his internship and master's thesis at Verizon Connect

Conferences

• Attended the IEEE Intelligent Transportation Systems Conference at Bilbao to present a paper stemming from an innovation project in Verizon Connect:

"An object detection approach for lane change and overtake detection

from motion profiles"





Secondment - UoM

- Starting soon until April 2023
- Anomaly detection on HEP data with prof. Caterina Doglioni





Thank you for your attention!



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