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DECA: Deep viewpoint-Equivariant human pose estimation using Capsule Autoencoders

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Overview

Input (a) 2D/3D HPE (b) 3D HMR (c) Ours

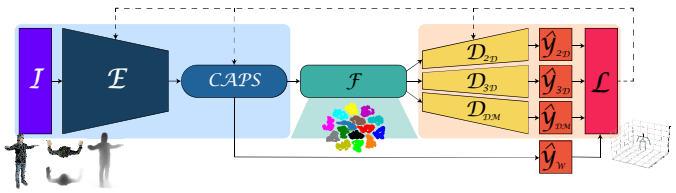
Context

Current 3D HPE methods suffer a lack of viewpoint equivariance, namely they tend to fail or perform poorly when dealing with viewpoints unseen at training time.

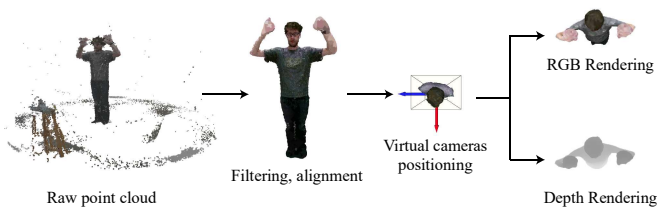
We propose DECA, a novel capsule autoencoder network that allows to drastically reduce the network data dependency at training time, resulting in an improved ability to generalize to unseen viewpoints.

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}} \left(s_\tau + e^{-s_\tau} \mathcal{L}_\tau \right) \qquad \mathcal{L}_\tau = \begin{cases} \mathcal{L}_{2\mathcal{D},3\mathcal{D}} = \frac{1}{BS} \sum_{i=0}^{BS} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \\ \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{DM}} = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{BS} \left[mask\,|y_i - \hat{y}_i| + |y_i - \hat{y}_i| \right]}{2 * BS} \\ \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{W}} = \|\hat{y}_W W_{ij}\|_F \end{cases}$$

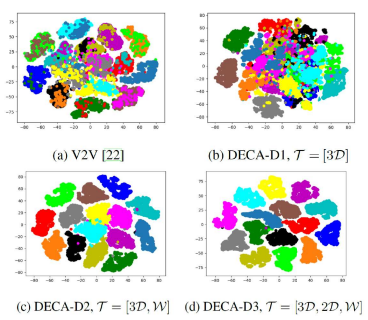
Network



PanopTOP dataset [2]



Latent space and results



ITOP
Train on front, test on top

Body part	RF [28]	RTW [37]	IEF [3]	VI [9]	DECA-D3
Head	48.10	1.50	47.90	55.60	46.27
Neck	5.90	8.10	39.00	40.90	**73.14**
Torso	4.70	3.90	41.90	35.00	**85.94**
Upper Body	19.70	2.20	23.90	29.40	**45.00**
Full Body	10.80	2.00	17.40	20.40	**51.85**

Table 2: Comparison with the state-of the art for the ITOP viewpoint transfer task (metric: 0.1m mAP). Training on front-view, validating on front-view, testing on top-view (top-view data is unseen in validation).

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