EE 046746 - Technion - Computer Vision

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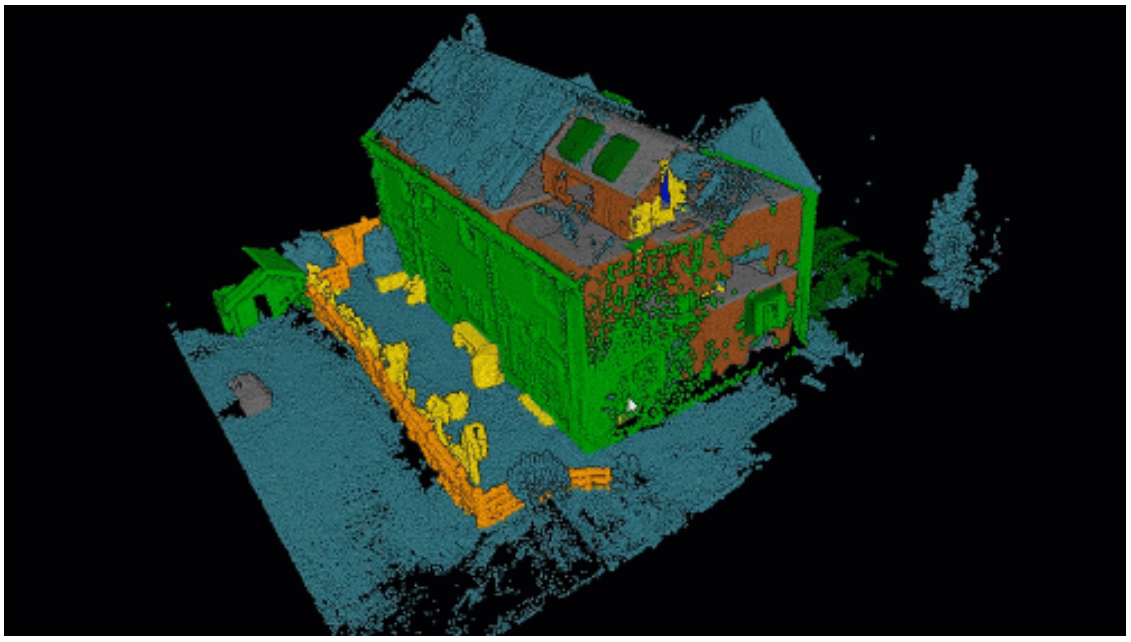
Tutorial 09 - Introduction to 3D Deep Learning



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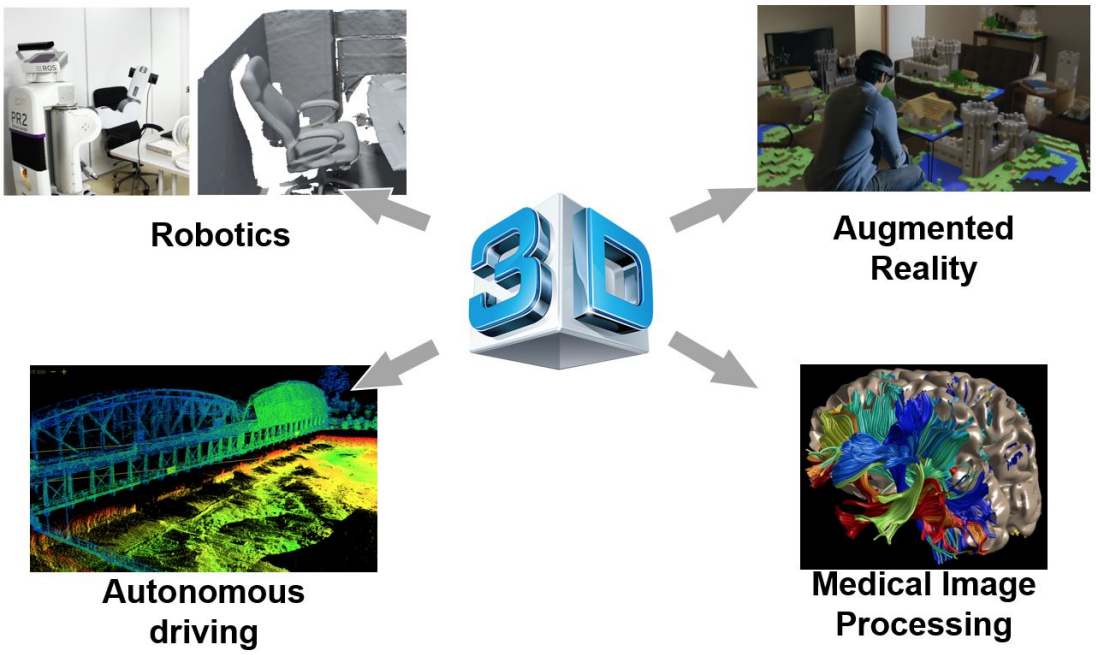

In [1]:
```
# pytorch imports
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
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LiDAR point cloud support | Feature Highlight | Unreal Engine (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R-ZXdAEGbiw&feature=youtu.be)

Depth Cameras

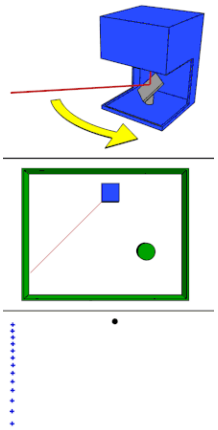
- Stereo Cameras - Next week
- Time of flight

Time of Flight Cameras

- Light travels at approximately a constant speed $c = 3 \times 10^8$ (meters per second).
- Measuring the time it takes for light to travel over a distance once can infer distance.
- Can be categorized into two types:
  1. Direct TOF - switch laser on and off rapidly.
  2. Indirect TOF - send out modulated light, then measure phase difference to infer depth.

1. Direct - TOF

- **Li**ght **D**etection **A**nd **R**anging (LiDAR) probably best example in computer vision and robotics.
- High-energy light pulses limit influence of background illumination.
- However, difficulty to generate short light pulses with fast rise and fall times.
- High-accuracy time measurement required.
- Prone to motion blur.
- Sparser as objects grow in distance.



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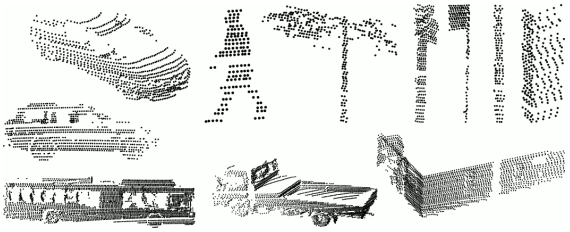
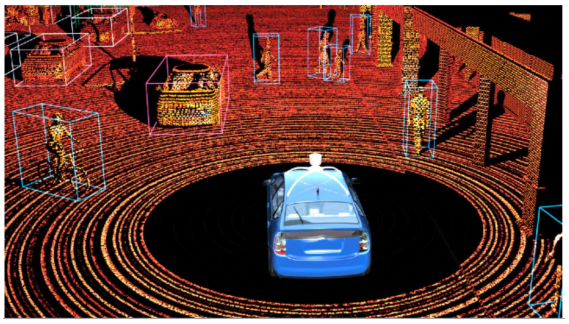
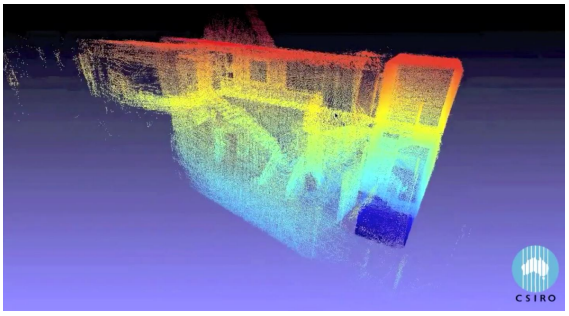


Sydney Dataset (http://www.acfr.usyd.edu.au/papers/SydneyUrbanObjectsDataset.shtml)

Autonomous Car - LiDAR



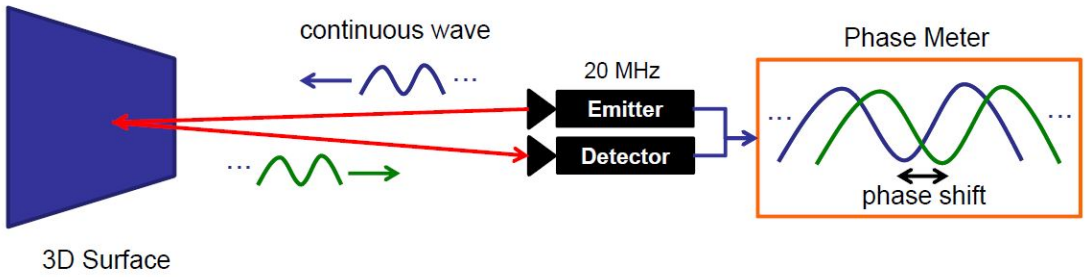
SLAM + LIDAT - Zebedee

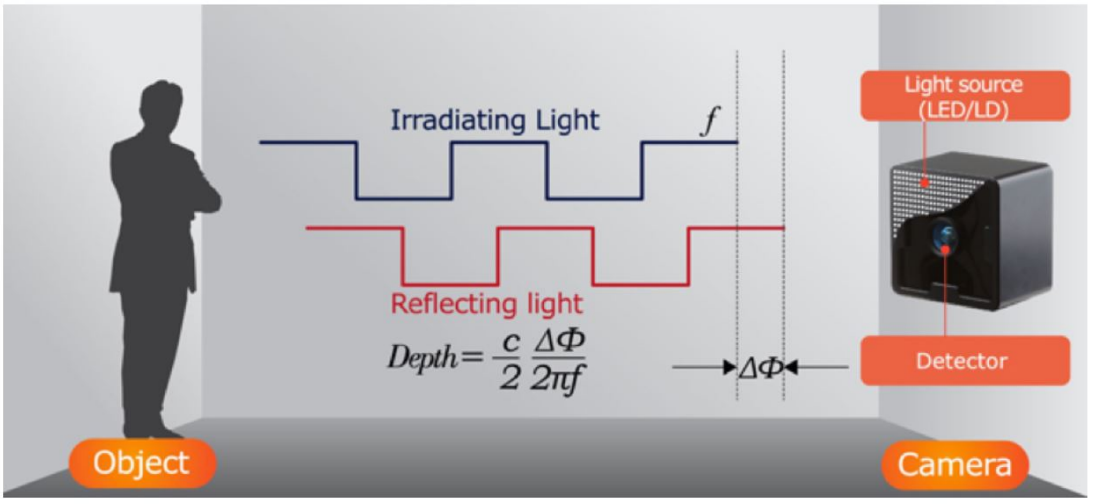


zebedee (https://research.csiro.au/robotics/zebedee/)

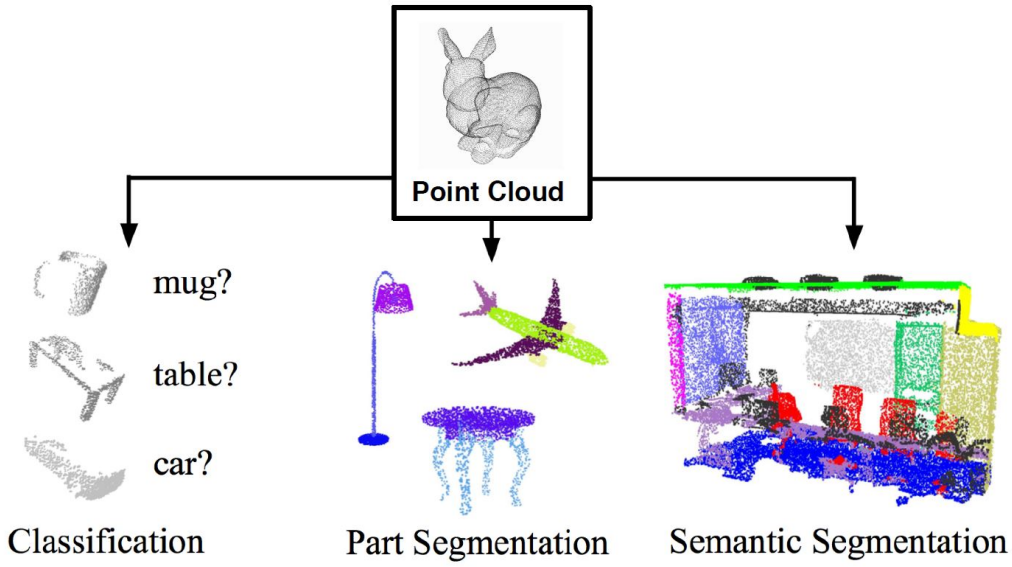
2. Indirect - TOF

- Continuous light waves instead of short light pulses.
- Modulation in terms of frequency of sinusoidal waves.
- Detected wave after reflection has shifted phase.
- Phase shift proportional to distance from reflecting surface.





Deep Learning on Point Clouds



- Calssification
- Semantic segmentation
- Part segmentation
  - Each point belongs to a specific part of the object
- ...

Qi, Charles R., et al. "Pointnet: Deep learning on point sets for 3d classification and segmentation." CVPR. 2017.

Questions

- What are the differences between 2D images an a point cloud?
- Why it might be hard to feed a point cloud as neural network input?
- What are the benefits of using a point cloud?

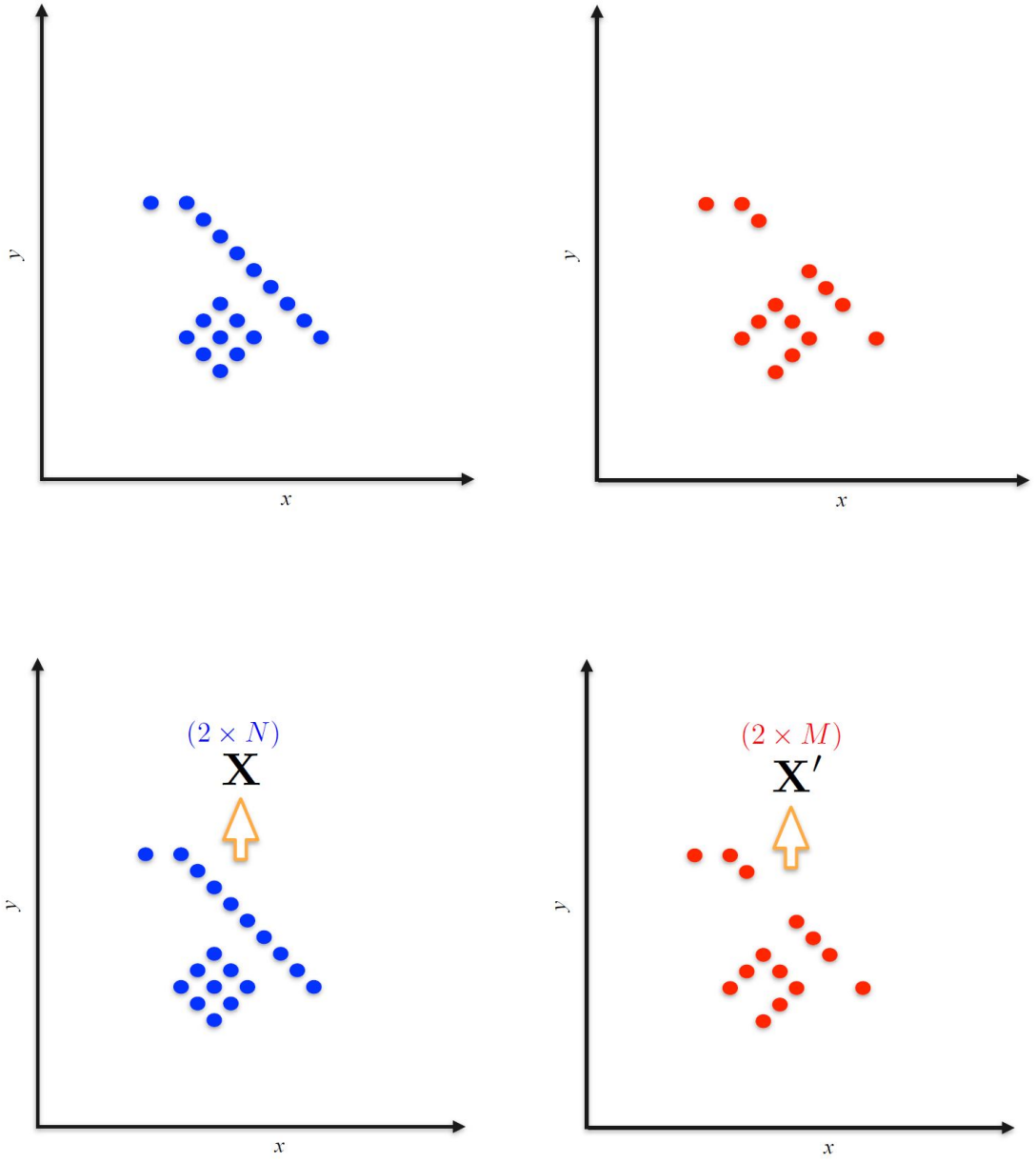
Point Clouds Problems

- Point Clouds Vary in Size (not constant)
- Unordered Input
  - Data is unstructured (no grid)
  - Data is invariant to point ordering (permutations)

Other Point Clouds Challenges

- Missing data
- Noise
- Rotations

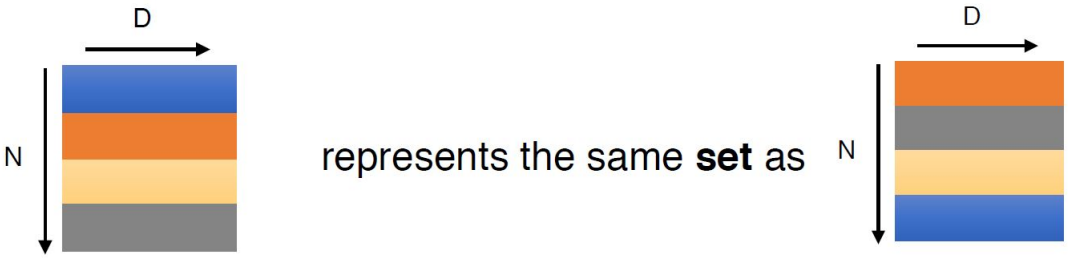
Problem - Point Clouds Vary in Size



- Different point clouds represent the same object

Problem - Unordered Input

Point cloud: N **orderless** points, each represented by a D dim vector



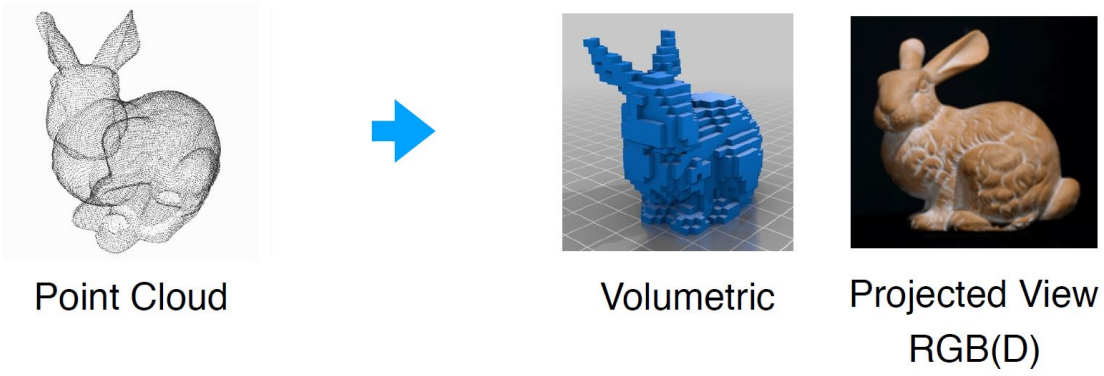
How many semi-equal representations?

Model needs to be invariant to $N!$ permutations

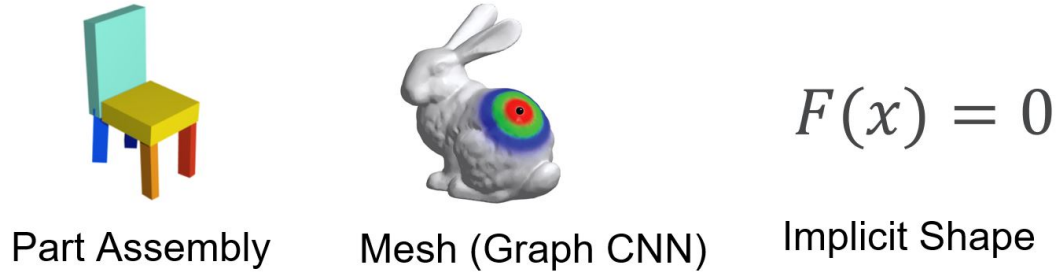
Alternate 3D Representations - Representations

Solution:

- Convert the raw point clouds into Voxels or multiple 2D RGB(D) images



Another 3D representation (not in this course):



Voxalization

Idea: generalize 2D convolutions to regular 3D grids

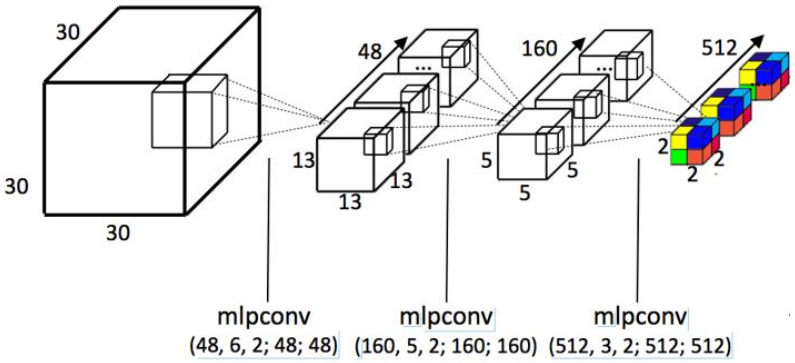
- The straightforward approach: transform the point clouds into a voxel grid by rasterizing and use 3D CNNs

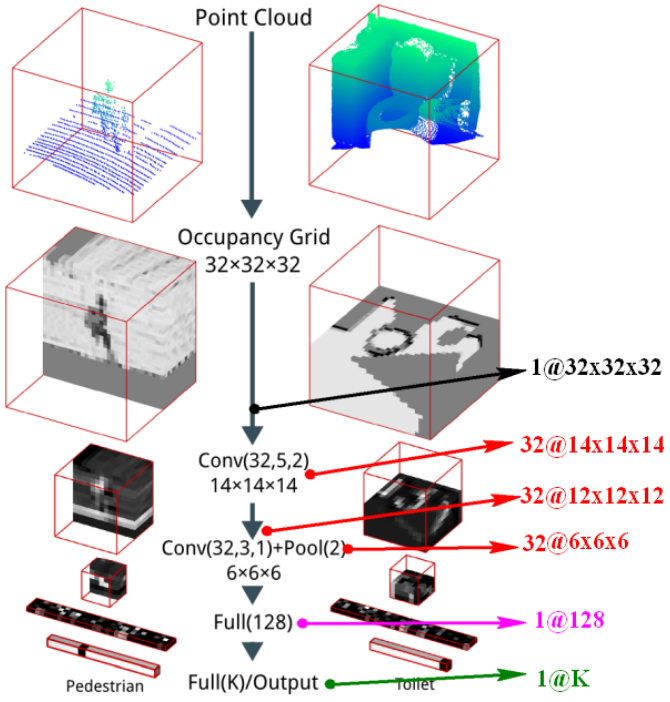
Voxel grid is a 3D grid of equal size volumes (voxels), can be occupied by:

- Binary 0/1 - Is there any point within the voxel?
- Weighted - The amount of point located within each voxel

Usually we use binary occupancy

3D convolution uses 4D kernels

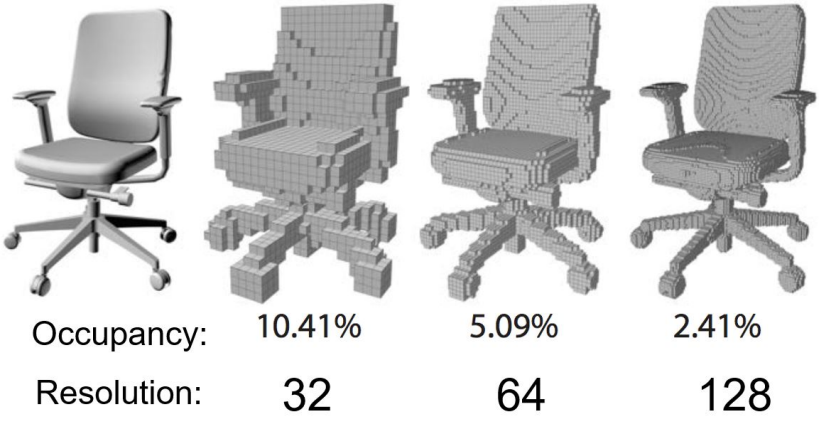




Maturana, Daniel, and Sebastian Scherer. Voxnet: A 3d convolutional neural network for real-time object recognition. IROS, 2015.

NA Voxalization Problems

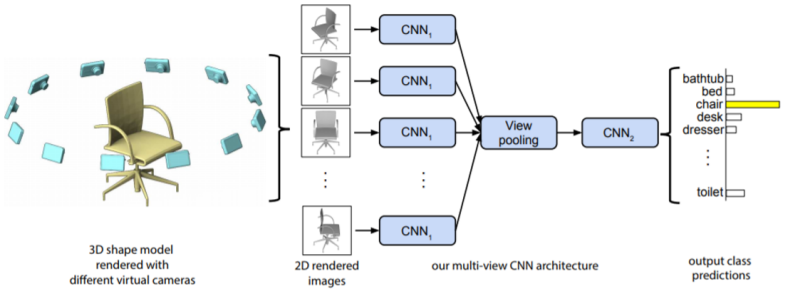
- Large memory cost
- Slow processing time
- Limited spatial resolution
- Quantization artifacts



Multi-View Approach

Idea: Transfrom the problem into a well known domain (3D→2D)

- The multi-view approach: project multiple views to 2D and use CNN to process
  - How many views do we need? (Another hyper parameter)



CNN_1 - We can use pre-trained networks to extract features followed by fine tune layers

H. Su, S. Maji, E. Kalogerakis, and E. Learned-Miller. Multiviewconvolutional neural networks for 3d shape recognition. CVPR, 2015.

Apply Deep Learning Directly on 3D Point Clouds

Idea: Most of the raw 3D data are point clouds - Solve the problems!

Note: Point Clouds Problems:

- Point Clouds Vary in Size (not constant)
- Unordered Input
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PointNet

Permutation Invariance: Symetric Function

$$f(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) \equiv f(x_{\pi_1}, x_{\pi_2}, \ldots, x_{\pi_n}), x_i \in R^D$$

π is a different permutation

Example:

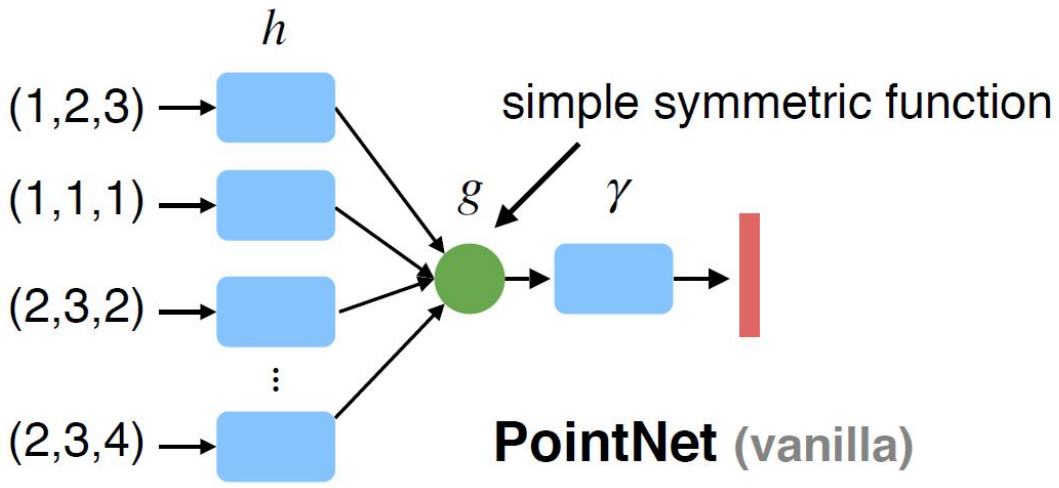
$$f(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) = max\{x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n\}$$
$$f(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) = x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_n$$

- How can we construct a family of symmetric functions by neural networks?

Observe:

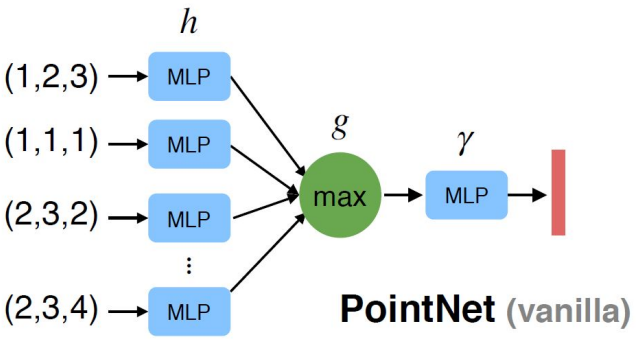
$$f(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) = \gamma \circ g(h(x_1), \ldots, h(x_n))$$

is symmetric if g is symmetric



Basic PointNet Architecture

Empirically, we use multi-layer perceptron (MLP) and max pooling:



Input MLP:

$$h(x_i) : R^3 \rightarrow R^D$$

Pooling layer:

$$g(h(x_1), \ldots, h(x_n)) : R^{N \times D} \rightarrow R^{D_{out}}$$

Classification MLP:

$$\gamma \circ g(h(x_1), \ldots, h(x_n)) : R^D \rightarrow R^{D_{NumClasses}}$$

The shared MLP implementation "trick":

We can represent the dims D as 2D image channels C

- Input: $R^{1 \times N \times C_{in}}$
- Layers: 2D convolution with output size of $1 \times 1 \times C_{out}$, followed by activation layer. Where C_{out} is the number of filters, each has size of $1 \times 1 \times C_{in}$, simmilar to $1D$ fully connected layer.
- Output: $R^{1 \times N \times C_{out}}$ --> Shared MLP implementation "trick":
- Use conv layers : Number of filters C_{out}, each filter size is $1 \times C_{in}$.
- Input: $R^{N \times C_{in}}$
- Output: $R^{N \times C_{out}}$

MLP:

$$h : R^{C_{in}} \rightarrow R^{C_1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow R^{C_{out}}$$

In [3]:

```
class Tnet(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, k=3):
        super().__init__()
        self.k=k
        self.conv1 = nn.Conv1d(k,64,1)
        self.conv2 = nn.Conv1d(64,128,1)
        self.conv3 = nn.Conv1d(128,1024,1)
        self.fc1 = nn.Linear(1024,512)
        self.fc2 = nn.Linear(512,256)
        self.fc3 = nn.Linear(256,k*k)

        self.bn1 = nn.BatchNorm1d(64)
        self.bn2 = nn.BatchNorm1d(128)
        self.bn3 = nn.BatchNorm1d(1024)
        self.bn4 = nn.BatchNorm1d(512)
        self.bn5 = nn.BatchNorm1d(256)


    def forward(self, input):
        # input.shape == (bs,n,3)
        bs = input.size(0)
        xb = F.relu(self.bn1(self.conv1(input)))
        xb = F.relu(self.bn2(self.conv2(xb)))
        xb = F.relu(self.bn3(self.conv3(xb)))
        pool = nn.MaxPool1d(xb.size(-1))(xb)
        flat = nn.Flatten(1)(pool)
        xb = F.relu(self.bn4(self.fc1(flat)))
        xb = F.relu(self.bn5(self.fc2(xb)))

        #initialize as identity
        init = torch.eye(self.k, requires_grad=True).repeat(bs,1,1)
        if xb.is_cuda:
            init=init.cuda()
            matrix = self.fc3(xb).view(-1,self.k,self.k) + init
        return matrix


class Transform(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.input_transform = Tnet(k=3)
        self.feature_transform = Tnet(k=64)
        self.conv1 = nn.Conv1d(3,64,1)

        self.conv2 = nn.Conv1d(64,128,1)
        self.conv3 = nn.Conv1d(128,1024,1)


        self.bn1 = nn.BatchNorm1d(64)
        self.bn2 = nn.BatchNorm1d(128)
        self.bn3 = nn.BatchNorm1d(1024)

    def forward(self, input):
        matrix3x3 = self.input_transform(input)
        # batch matrix multiplication
        xb = torch.bmm(torch.transpose(input,1,2), matrix3x3).transpose(1,2)

        xb = F.relu(self.bn1(self.conv1(xb)))

        matrix64x64 = self.feature_transform(xb)
        xb = torch.bmm(torch.transpose(xb,1,2), matrix64x64).transpose(1,2)

        xb = F.relu(self.bn2(self.conv2(xb)))
        xb = self.bn3(self.conv3(xb))
        xb = nn.MaxPool1d(xb.size(-1))(xb)
        output = nn.Flatten(1)(xb)
        return output, matrix3x3, matrix64x64

class PointNet(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, classes = 10):
        super().__init__()
        self.transform = Transform()
        self.fc1 = nn.Linear(1024, 512)
        self.fc2 = nn.Linear(512, 256)
        self.fc3 = nn.Linear(256, classes)


        self.bn1 = nn.BatchNorm1d(512)
        self.bn2 = nn.BatchNorm1d(256)
        self.dropout = nn.Dropout(p=0.3)
        self.logsoftmax = nn.LogSoftmax(dim=1)

    def forward(self, input):
        xb, matrix3x3, matrix64x64 = self.transform(input)
        xb = F.relu(self.bn1(self.fc1(xb)))
        xb = F.relu(self.bn2(self.dropout(self.fc2(xb))))
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        output = self.fc3(xb)
        return self.logsoftmax(output), matrix3x3, matrix64x64
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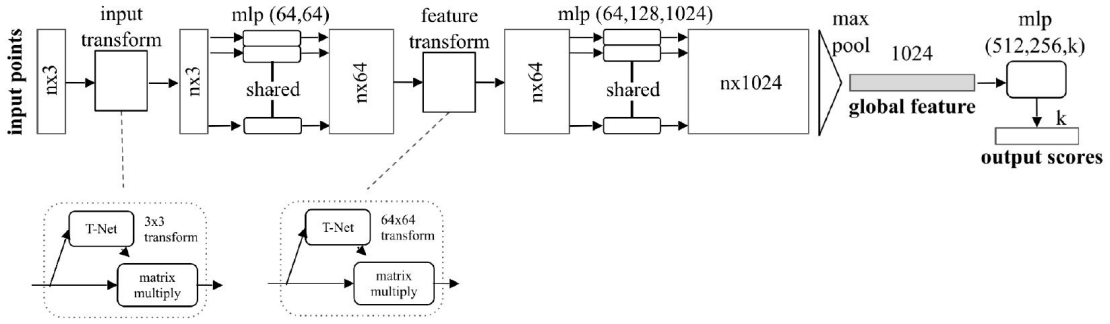
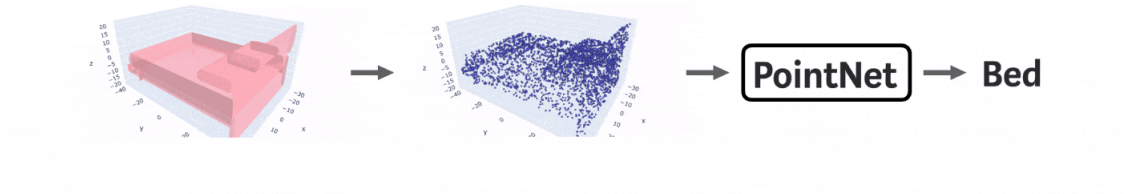
Code source (https://github.com/nikitakaraevv/pointnet/blob/master/nbs/PointNetClass.ipynb) - Full implementation of PointNet Classification (can be opened in Colab)

Deep Learning on Point clouds: Implementing PointNet in Google Colab (https://towardsdatascience.com/deep-learning-on-point-clouds-implementing-pointnet-in-google-colab-1fd65cd3a263) - Nikita Karaev

PointNet Classification Network





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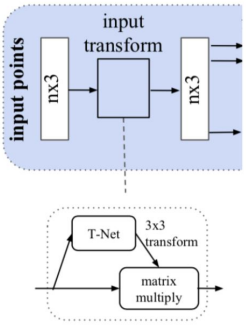
Transformation Invariance



Learn transformation matrix to improve task performance. We want our network to be invariante to rigid transformation of the object.

- Practically, more augmentation over the training dataset also solved the transformation invariance

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Results - Classification

	input	#views	accuracy avg. class	accuracy overall
SPH [12]	mesh	-	68.2	
3DShapeNets [29]	volume	1	77.3	84.7
VoxNet [18]	volume	12	83.0	85.9
Subvolume [19]	volume	20	86.0	**89.2**
LFD [29]	image	10	75.5	-
MVCNN [24]	image	80	**90.1**	-
Ours baseline	point	-	72.6	77.4
Ours PointNet	point	1	86.2	**89.2**

3D CNNs

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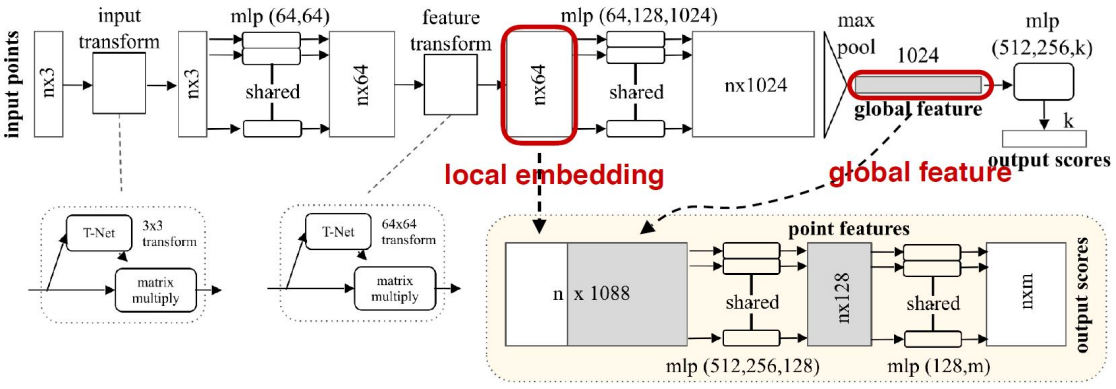
PointNet Segmentation Network



- Extract local features - Describes each point seperatly
- Extract global feature - Describes the entire point cloud
- Concatenate the local and global features and feed it into a shared mlp - The mlp learns to process the point feature acording to a condition. The condition is described by the global feature vectore.

Code (https://github.com/nikitakaraevv/pointnet/blob/master/nbs/PointNetSeg.ipynb) - Full implementation of PointNet Segmentation (can be opened in Colab)

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Semantic Scene Parsing

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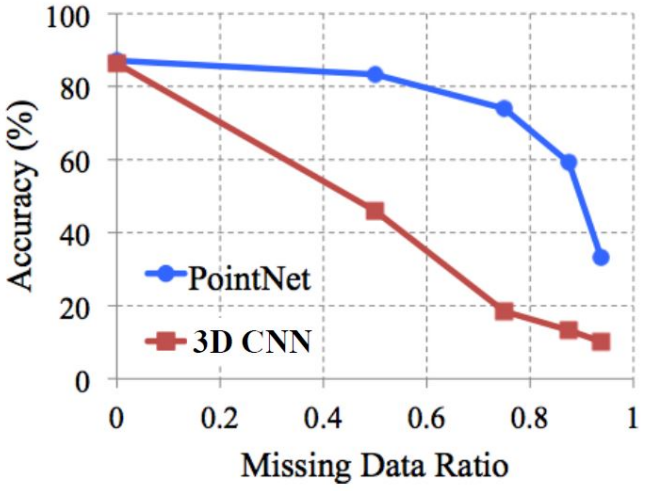
Results - Robustness to Missing Data (Classification example)

- Why is PointNet so robust to missing data?



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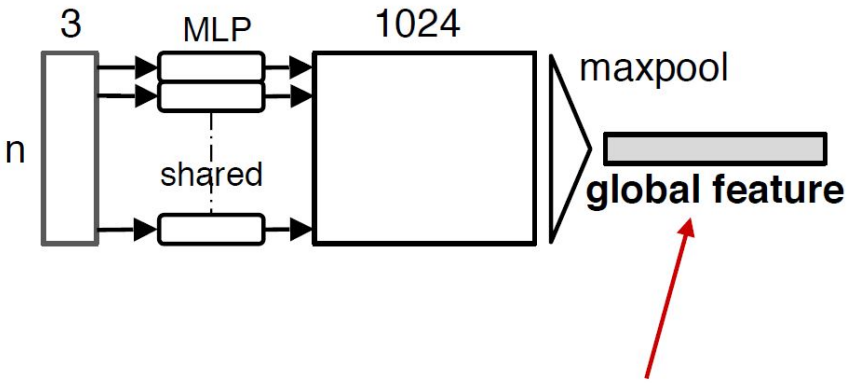
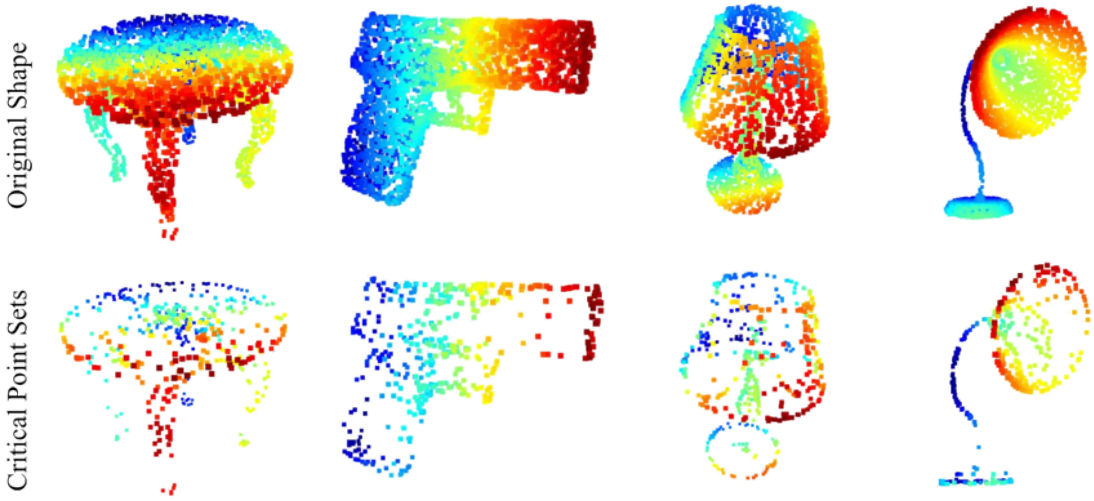
Visualizing Global Point Cloud Features



Which input points are contributing to the global feature?
(critical points)

Visualize What is Learned by Reconstruction

- Salient points are discovered!



The "critical points" are those who influenced the global feature vector, a.k.a the pooling layer. The "critical" object's geometry structured is reserved.

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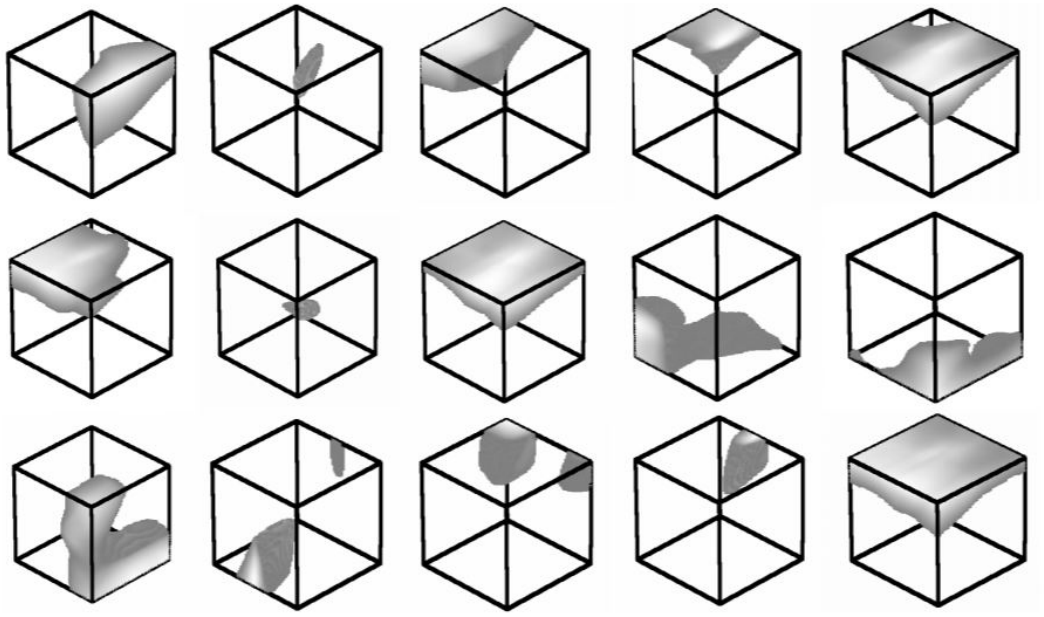
Point function visualization

For each per-point function h (mlp), calculate the values of $h(p)$ for all the points p in the cube.

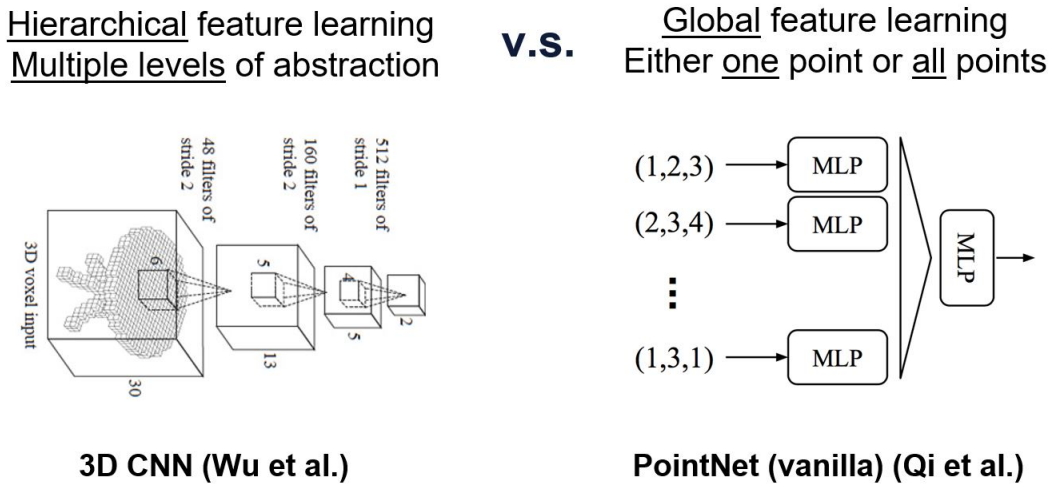
Random 15 function out of the 1024 learned functions:



- Semi-equivalent to filter response in CNNs

Qi, Charles R., et al. "PointNet: Deep learning on point sets for 3d classification and segmentation." CVPR 2017.

NA **Limitations of PointNet**

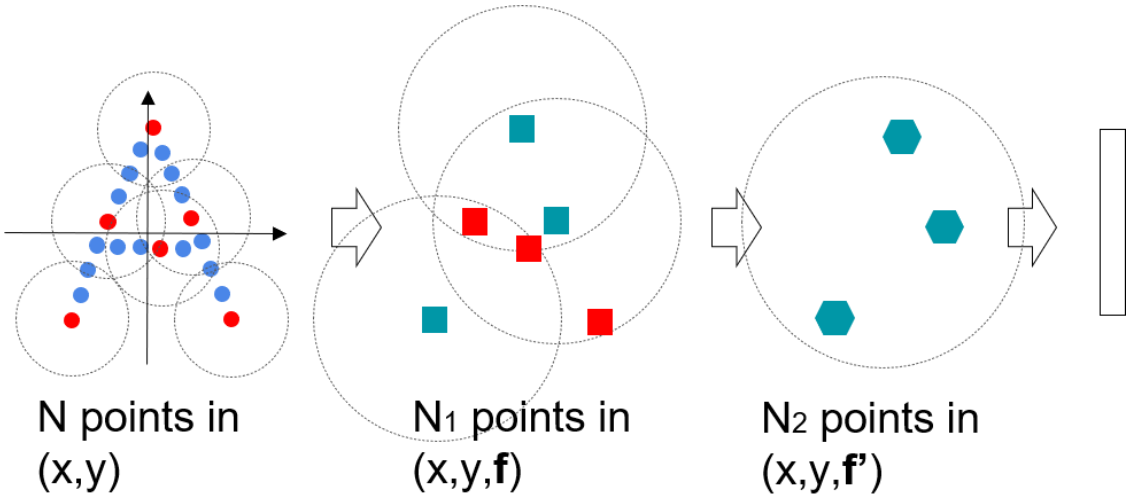


- No local context for each point
- Global feature depends on **absolute** coordinate. Hard to generalize to unseen scene configurations

Points in Metric Space

- Learn “kernels” in 3D space and conduct convolution
- Kernels have compact spatial support
- For convolution, we need to find neighboring points
- Possible strategies for range query
  - Ball query (results in more stable features)
  - k-NN query (faster)

PointNet v2.0: Multi-Scale PointNet



Repeated layers:

- Sample anchor points
- Find neighborhood of anchor points
- Apply PointNet in each neighborhood to mimic convolution

Qi, Charles Ruizhongtai, et al. "Pointnet++: Deep hierarchical feature learning on point sets in a metric space." Advances in neural information processing systems. 2017.

More Point Clouds DL solutions:

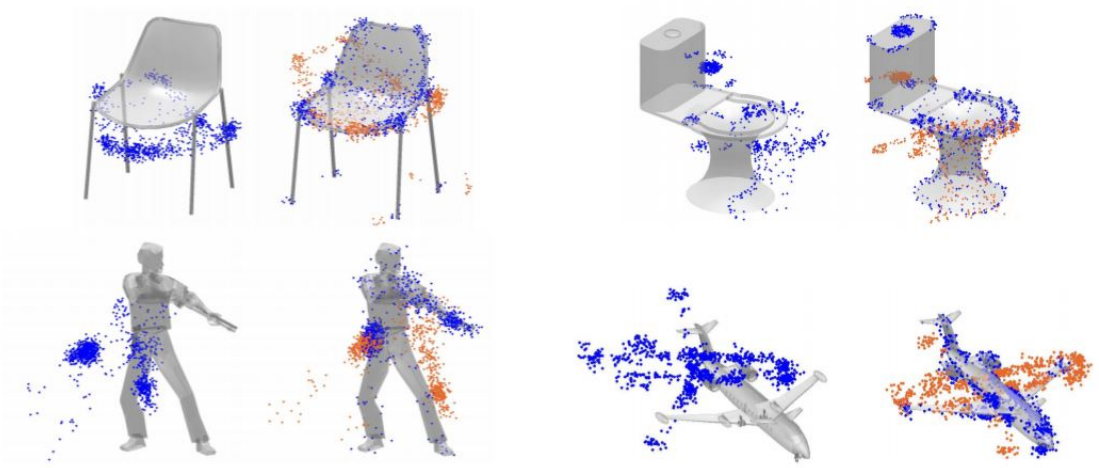
- 3DmFV
- Dynamic Graph CNN
- PCNN
- PointCNN
- KPConv

3D Deep Learning Applications

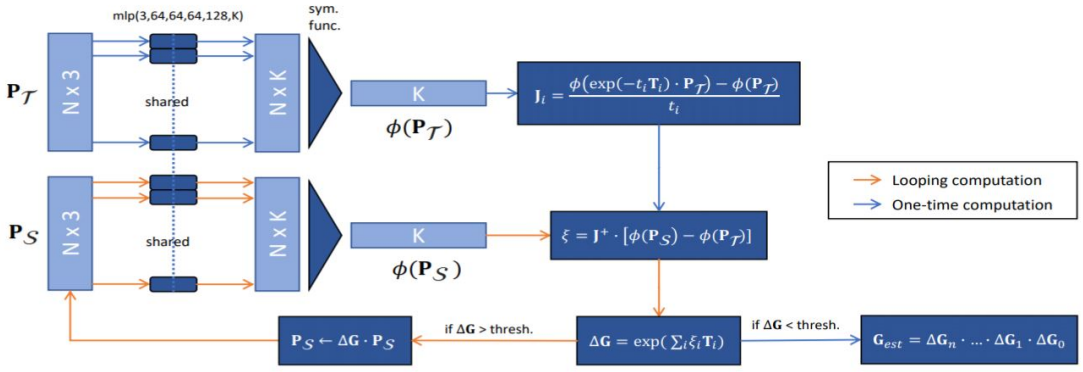
- Calssification (V)
- Semantic segmentation (V)
- Part segmentation
- Object detection (Upcoming)
- Reconstraction
- Generation (Upcoming)
- Registration (Upcoming)
- Sampling - Downsampling, Upsampling
- SLAM
- Normal Estimation
- and many more...

Registration:

Problem statment: Find the rotation and translation transformation between objects



- PointNetLK (blue) - Deep Learning, based on Lucas–Kanade method (Tracking lecture)
  - Comparing 2 point clouds using PointNet features
- ICP (orange) - Classic registration method

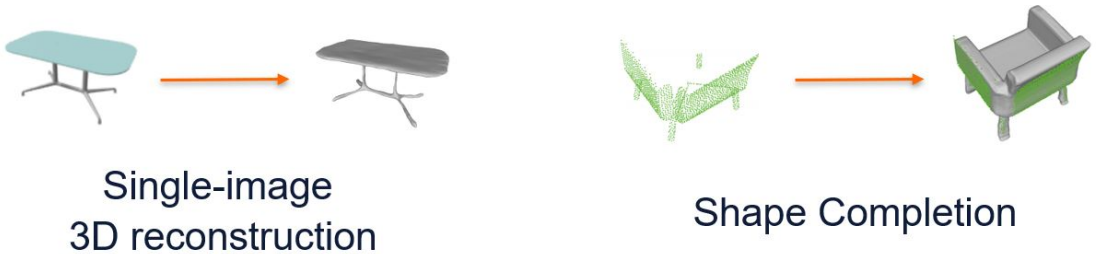


Both inputs (target and source) are being processed by PointNet architecture

Aoki, Yasuhiro, et al. "PointNetLK: Robust & efficient point cloud registration using PointNet." CVPR 2019.

Generation

Conditional generation

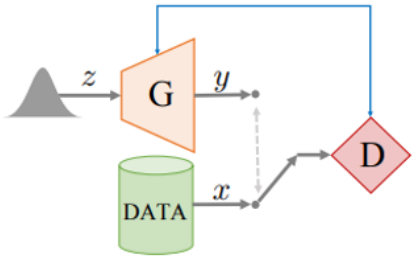


Free generation

How would you build a point cloud GAN?

Learning Representations and Generative Models for 3D Point Clouds (Achlioptas et al.)

- FC layer as generator
- PointNet as discriminator



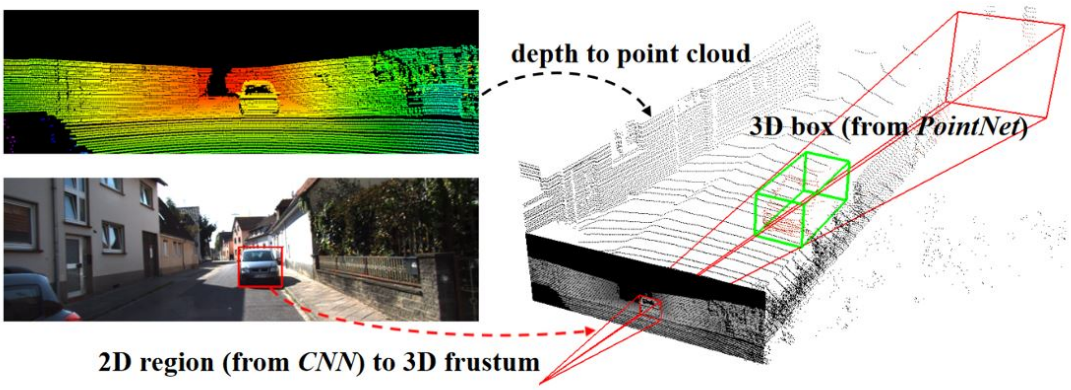
Achlioptas et al., “Learning Representations and Generative Models for 3D Point Clouds”, ICML 2018

More generation methods:

- AtlasNet
- FoldingNet
- PointFlow
- OccupancyNetworks
- DeepSDF
- ...

Detection:

- Generate object proposals from a view (e.g., using SSD)
- Recognize using PointNet



Qi et al., “Frustum PointNets for 3D Object Detection from RGB-D Data”, CVPR 2018

Questions

- What are the differences between 2D images an a point cloud?
  - Unstructured
  - Vary number of points
  - Unordered
- Why it might be hard to feed a point cloud as neural network (NN) input?
  - Does not rely on a grid
  - Does not has a fix size
  - Different permutation represent the same point cloud All three diffrences influence directly the abbility of using NN!
- What are the benefits of using a point cloud?
  - Most sensors raw outputs are point clouds (LiDAR)
  - Very efficient representation of 3D data (no empty voxels)
  - Reserve geometric details (no quantization)

Recommended Tools

Python:

- Open3D
- trimesh
- Ipyvolume - Visualization for Notebooks

Deep Learning:

- Python3D
- Kaolin (Pytorch)
- TensorFlow Graphics

Visualize Tools (drop and view):

- CloudCompare
- MeshLab

For more 3D deep learnig frameworks and datasets:

- awesome-point-cloud-analysis (https://github.com/Yochengliu/awesome-point-cloud-analysis)
- 3D-Machine-Learning#datasets (https://github.com/timzhang642/3D-Machine-Learning#datasets)

Datasets:

- ModelNet
- ShapeNet
- PartNet
- Sydney Urban Opject DAtaset
- Stanford 3D
- KITTI
- ...

Recommended Videos

Warning!

- These videos do not replace the lectures and tutorials.
- Please use these to get a better understanding of the material, and not as an alternative to the written material.

Video By Subject

- 3D Deep Learning
  - General (Both highly recomanded):
    - 3D Deep Learning Tutorial from SU lab at UCSD (https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=6&v=vfL6uJYFrp4&feature=emb_logo) - Hao Su
    - Geometric deep learning (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wLU4YsC_4NY o) - Micahel Bronstein
  - PointNet (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cge-hot0Oc0&t=24s)
  - 3DmFV (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HIUGOKSLTcE)

Credits

- Slides - Yizhak (Itzik) Ben-Shabat (http://www.itzikbs.com/category/research-blog), Simon Lucey (CMU) (https://ci2cv.net/people/simon-lucey/), Hao Su, Jiayuan Gu and Minghua Liu(UCSanDiego) (https://cseweb.ucsd.edu/~haosu/)
- Multiple View Geometry in Computer Vision - Hartley and Zisserman - Sections 9,10
- Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications (https://www.springer.com/gp/book/9781848829343) - Richard Szeliski - Sections 11,12
- Icons from Icon8.com (https://icons8.com/) - https://icons8.com (https://icons8.com)