

Mesh registration via geometric feature homogenization and offset cross-attention: application to 3D photogrammetry

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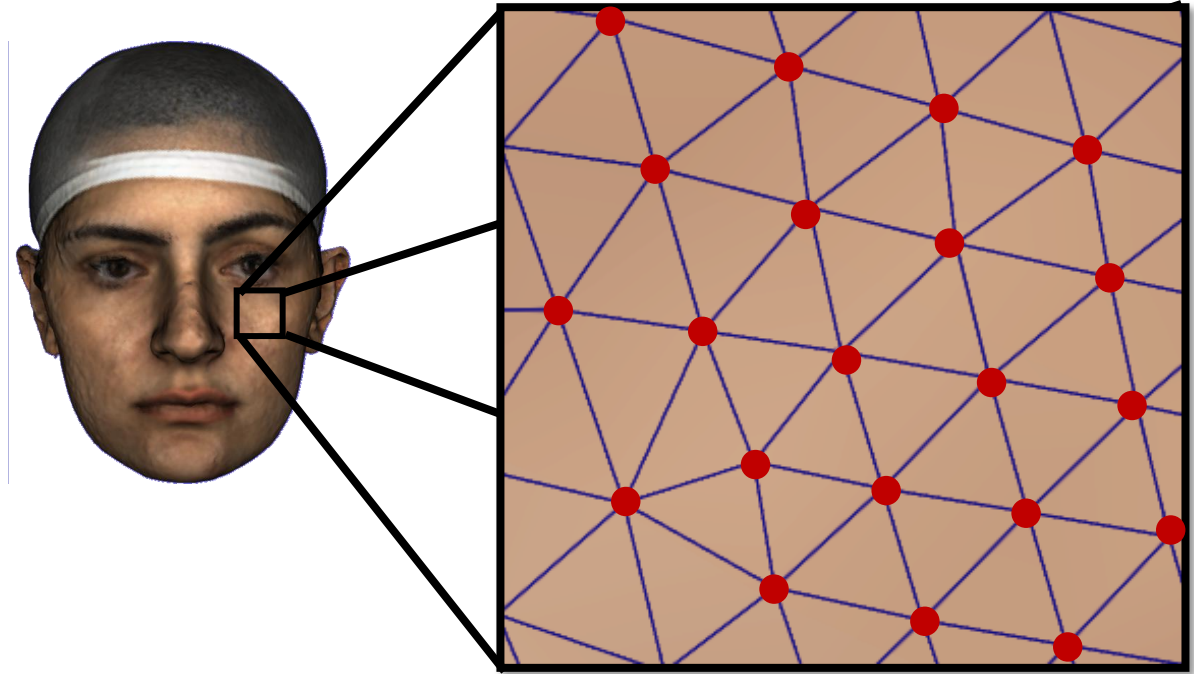


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Introduction

3D photogrammetry



Cost efficient

Fast

Non-invasive

Radiation Free

Challenges of automated analysis of 3D photograms

Unstructured data representations

Variable spatial resolutions

Variable patient pose

Lack anatomical correspondences

State-of-the-art

- Point cloud-based methods: DCP¹, PointnetLK², DeepGMR³, and PCRnet⁴
- Difficulties to process large numbers of nodes and require resampling to perform registration
- Do not consider local structure information (nodes connectivity)
- Inter-patient registration is often limited to selecting nodes with similar characteristics

Goal



To build an efficient and automated method for 3D photogram registration

¹ Wang & Solomon, 2019, Deep Closest Point.

³ Yuan et al., 2019, DeepGMR.

² Aoki et al., 2019, Proceedings of the IEEE CVPR.

⁴ Sarode et al., 2019, PCRNet.

Feature homogenization module

Based on Chebyshev polynomials³

$$x_{i+1}(K; \theta^i) = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} \theta_k^i T_k(\tilde{L}) x_i$$

x_i : input feature vector

K : Polynomials order [4,8]

θ^i : trainable coefficients

\tilde{L} : normalized graph Laplacian

Dimensionality reduction by:

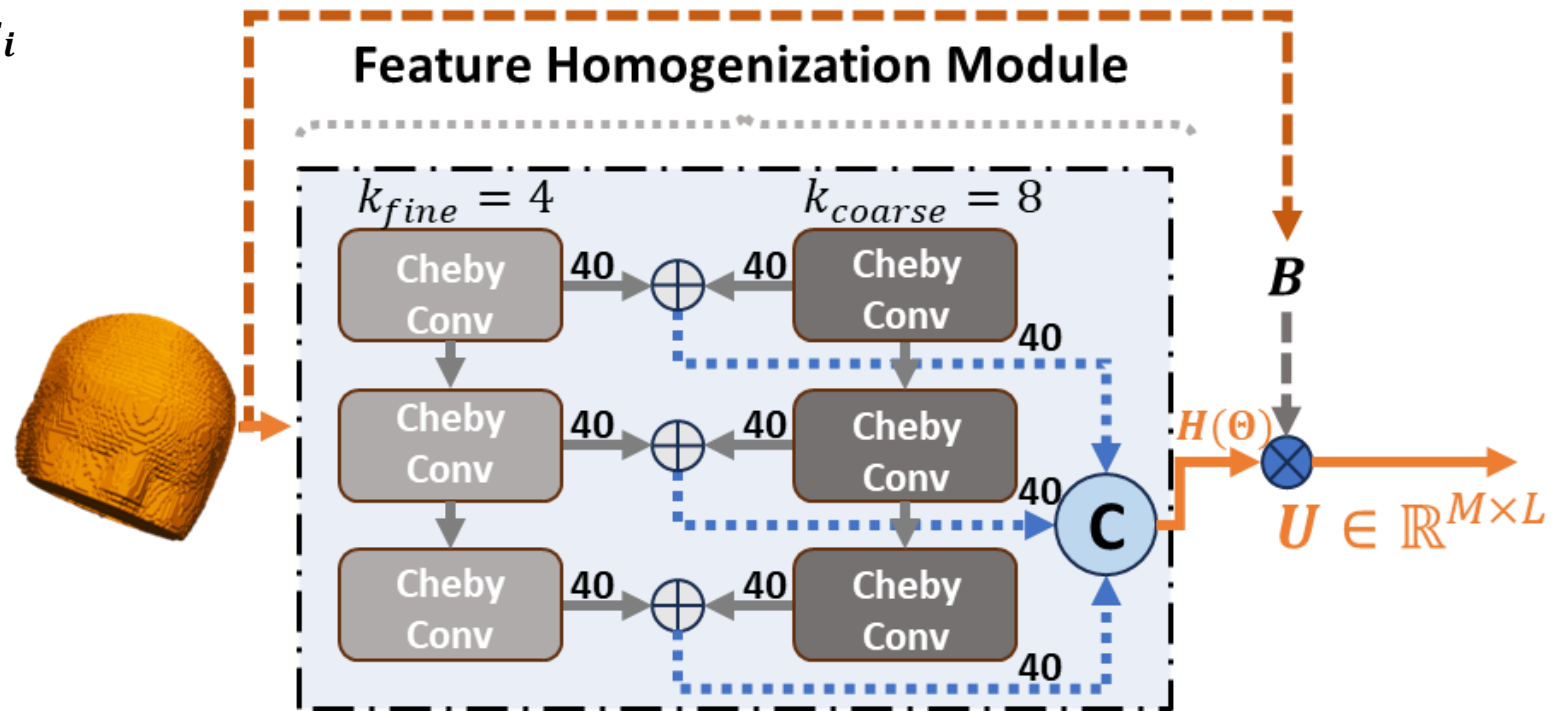
$$U(B, \Theta) = B^T H(\Theta)$$

$U(B, \Theta)$: uniform output features

$H(\Theta)$: learned feature transformation

Θ : trainable coefficients

B : variable dimensionality input data



³ Defferrard et al., 2016, Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems.

Offset cross-attention (OCA) module

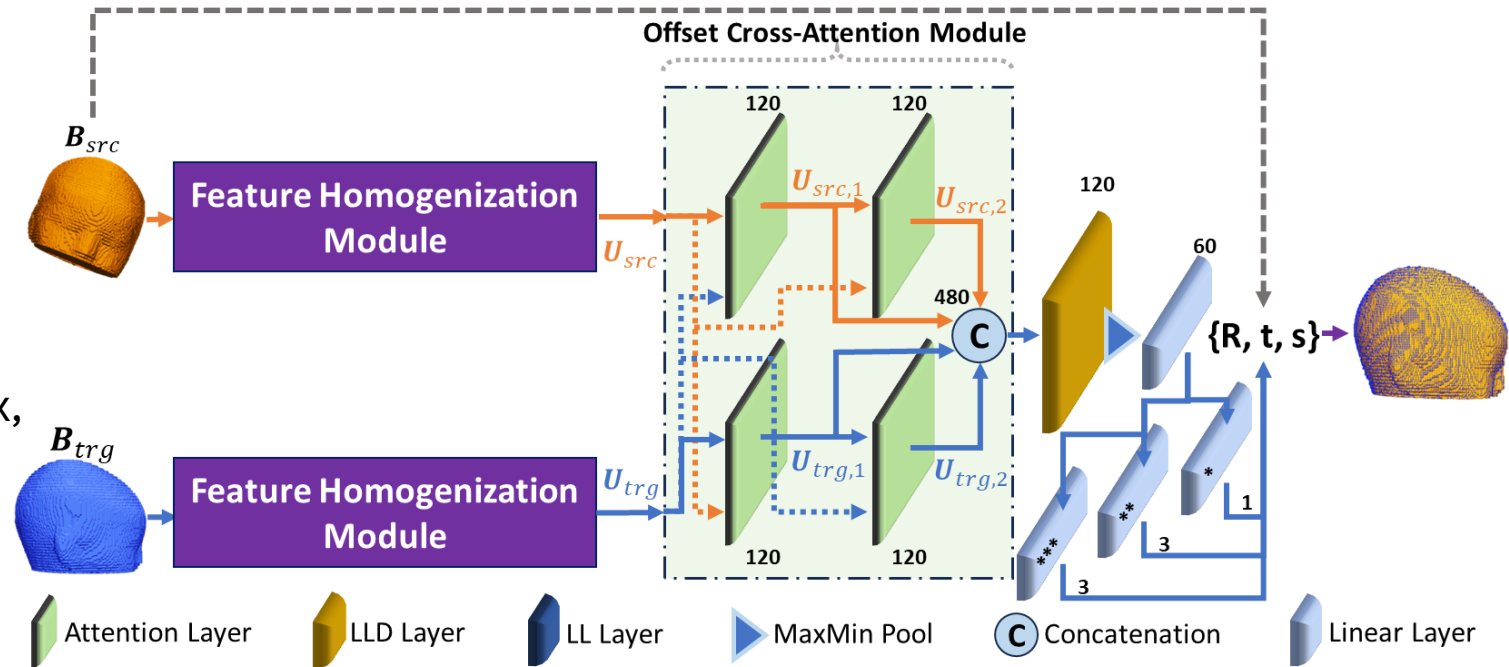
Offset Cross-Attention layers⁴

$$OCA(\mathbf{Z}_1, \mathbf{Z}_2) = LBL(\mathbf{Z}_1 - softmax(\mathbf{QK}^T)\mathbf{V}) + \mathbf{Z}_1$$

Four offset cross-attention layers

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X}_{src,1} &= OCA(\mathbf{U}_{src}, \mathbf{U}_{trg}) \\ \mathbf{X}_{trg,1} &= OCA(\mathbf{U}_{trg}, \mathbf{U}_{src}) \\ \mathbf{X}_{src,2} &= OCA(\mathbf{X}_{src,1}, \mathbf{U}_{src}) \\ \mathbf{X}_{trg,2} &= OCA(\mathbf{X}_{trg,1}, \mathbf{U}_{trg}) \end{aligned}$$

Three specialized final layers: rotation matrix, translation vector and scaler factor.



Optimization

$$L = \|R(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)^T R(\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\beta}, \hat{\gamma}) - I\|_F + \|t - \hat{t}\|^2 + \|s - \hat{s}\|^2$$

$\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$: rotation angle in $\{X, Y, Z\}$, t : translation vector, and s : scaler factor

Experiment 1

OCA Evaluation

ModelNet40 Dataset

Applied Transformations

Training set: 9,846

Rotation range: $\pm 45^\circ$

Test set: 2,468

Translation range: ± 0.5

Method	MSE		MAE		MSE (src,trg)	Chamfer (src,trg)
	$\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$	t	$\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$	t		
DCP	5.43	4E-4	1.45	0.01	4E-4	0.46
PointNetLK	80.30	0.08	1.52	0.24	0.09	0.23
DeepGMR	32.67	1E-3	2.45	0.02	2E-3	0.02
PCRnet	683.18	0.08	22.63	0.24	0.05	0.13
OCA module	3.42	1E-3	1.29	0.02	1E-3	0.07

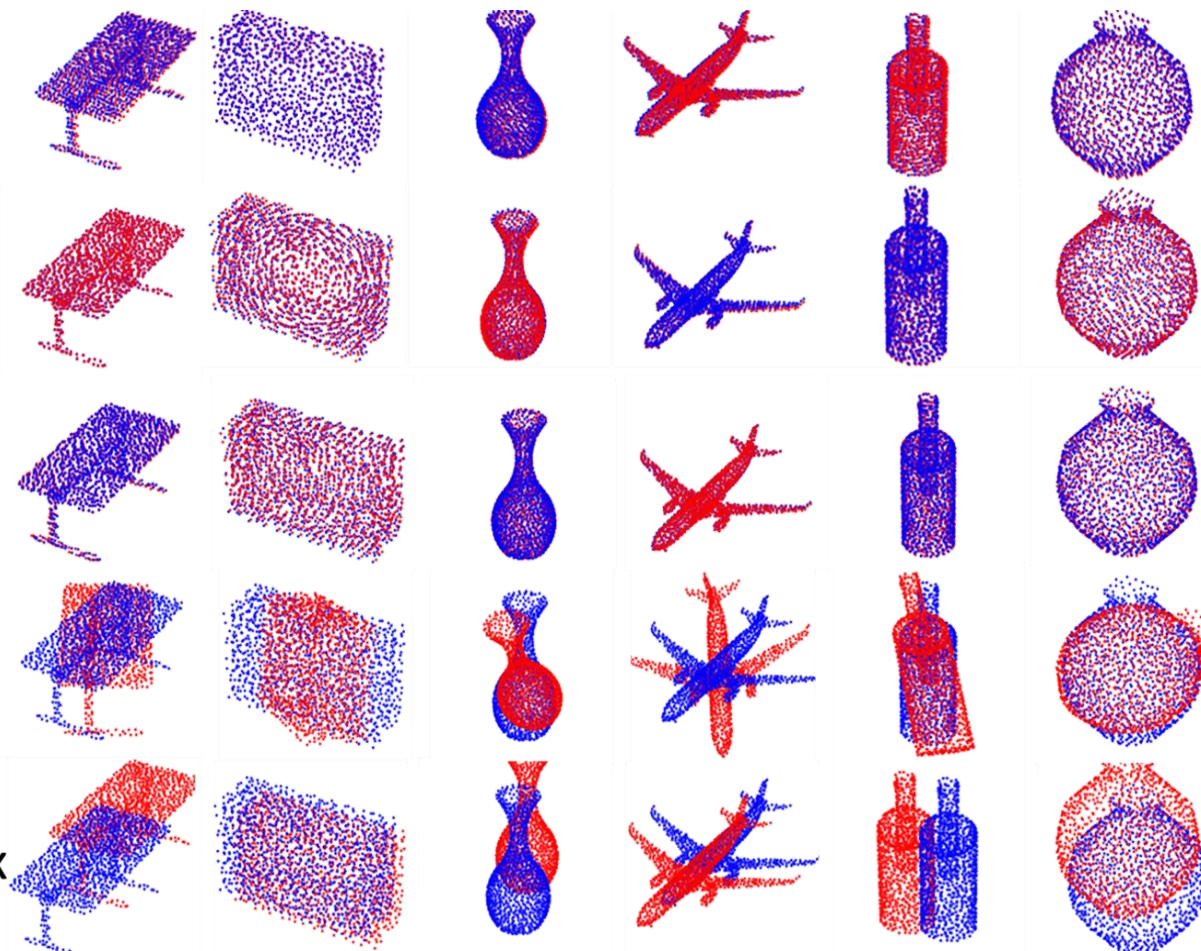
OCA
Module

DCP

DeepGMR

PCRnet

PointNetLK

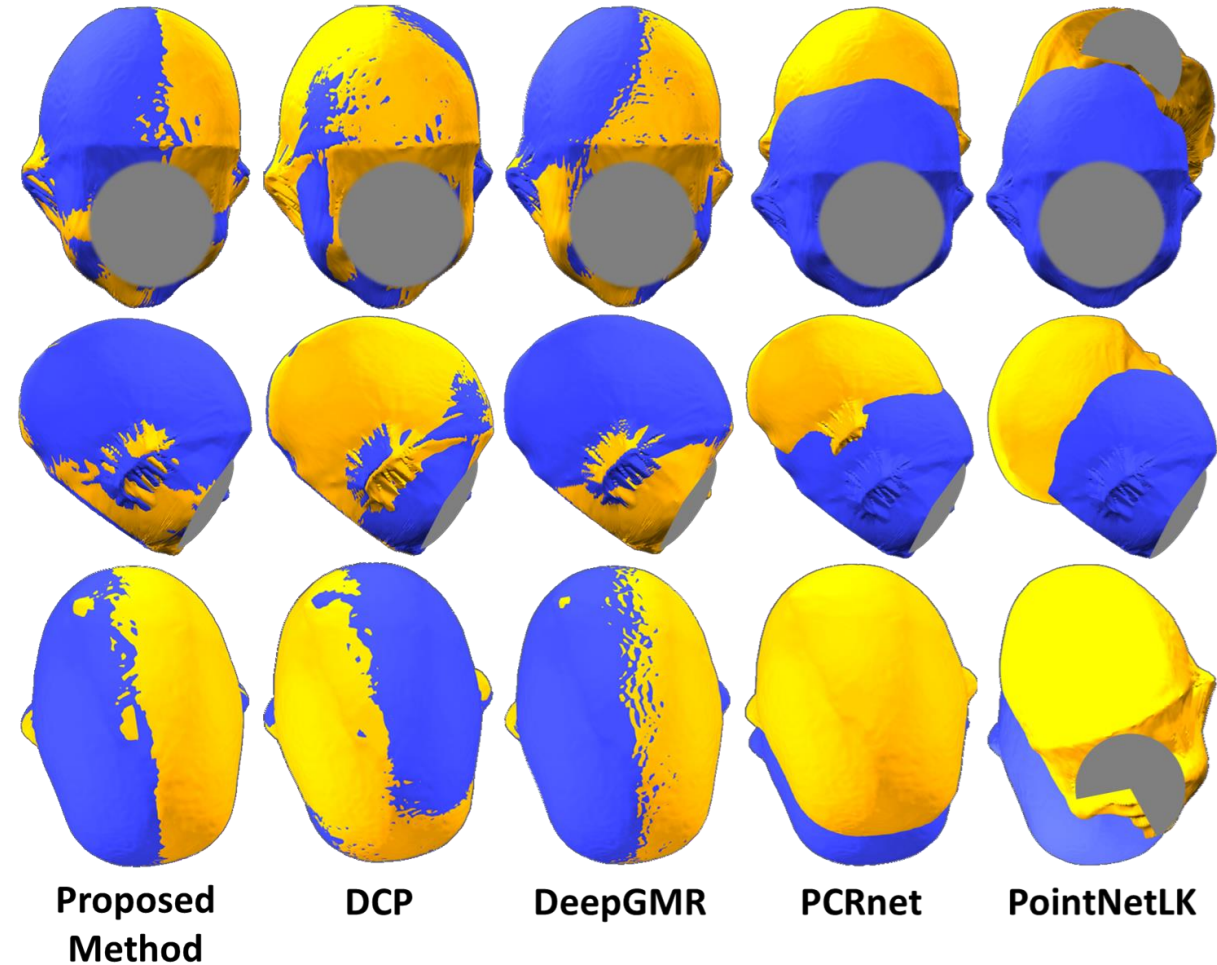


Experiment 2

Intra-subject registration of 3D photograms

3D Photogram Dataset	Applied Transformations
Training set: 1,396	Rotation range: $\pm 45^\circ$
Test set: 174	Translation range: ± 0.5
Validation set: 174	

Method	MSE		MAE		MSE (src,trg)	Chamfer (src,trg)
	$\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$	\mathbf{t}	$\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$	\mathbf{t}		
DCP	60.09	0.01	5.01	0.06	0.03	4.81
PointNetLK	278.43	0.10	5.87	0.25	0.13	0.30
DeepGMR	31.53	0.01	3.14	0.06	0.02	0.189
PCRnet	494.64	0.01	15.12	0.25	0.08	0.19
Proposed method	27.761	1E-3	3.66	0.03	0.01	0.02

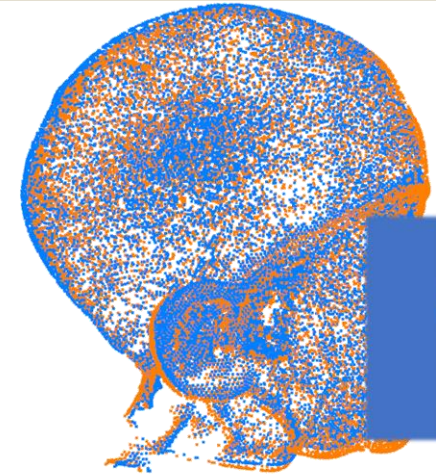


Experiment 3

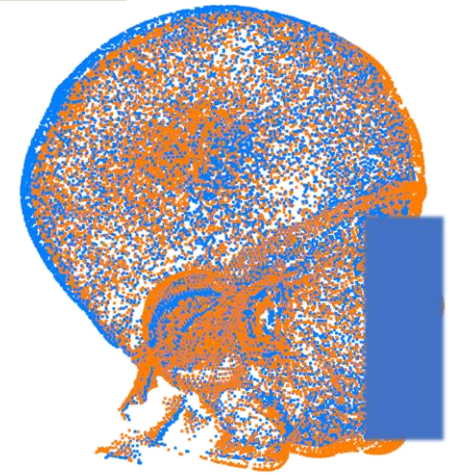
Intra/Inter-subject registration of 3D photograms

3D Photogram Dataset	Applied Transformations
Training set: 13,952	Rotation range: $\pm 45^\circ$
Test set: 1,744	Translation range: ± 0.5
Validation set: 1,744	Scaler range: $\pm 50\%$

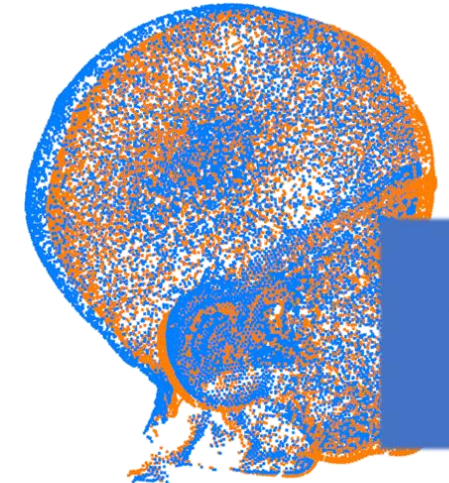
Metric		MSE			MAE			MSE	Chamfer
Experiment		$\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$	t	s	$\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$	t	s	(src,trg)	(src,trg)
3.A	Same subject	11.55	1E-3	-	2.03	0.02	-	0.01	0.02
3.B	Inter-subject	23.72	1E-3	-	3.51	0.02	-	0.01	0.02
3.C	Same subject	13.34	1E-3	4E-3	2.23	0.03	0.05	0.01	0.02
3.D	Inter-subject	30.42	1E-3	4E-3	3.94	0.03	0.05	0.01	0.02



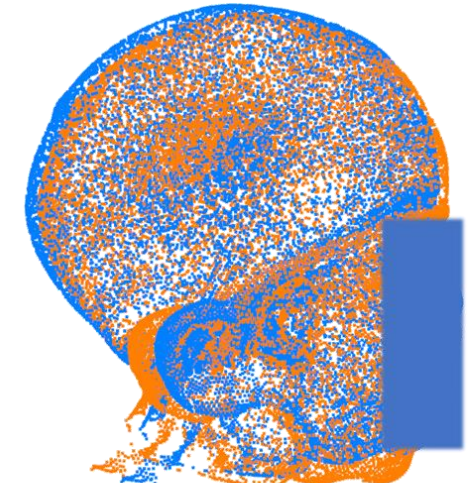
3.A



3.B



3.C



3.D

Conclusions

- 3D surface registration method independent from the number of nodes and spatial resolution
- Feature homogenization module allows creating uniform representations independent from original data dimensionality
- Offset cross-attention module improves registration performance by learning common spatial patterns between meshes
- State-of-the-art accuracy without data pre-processing or spatial sampling

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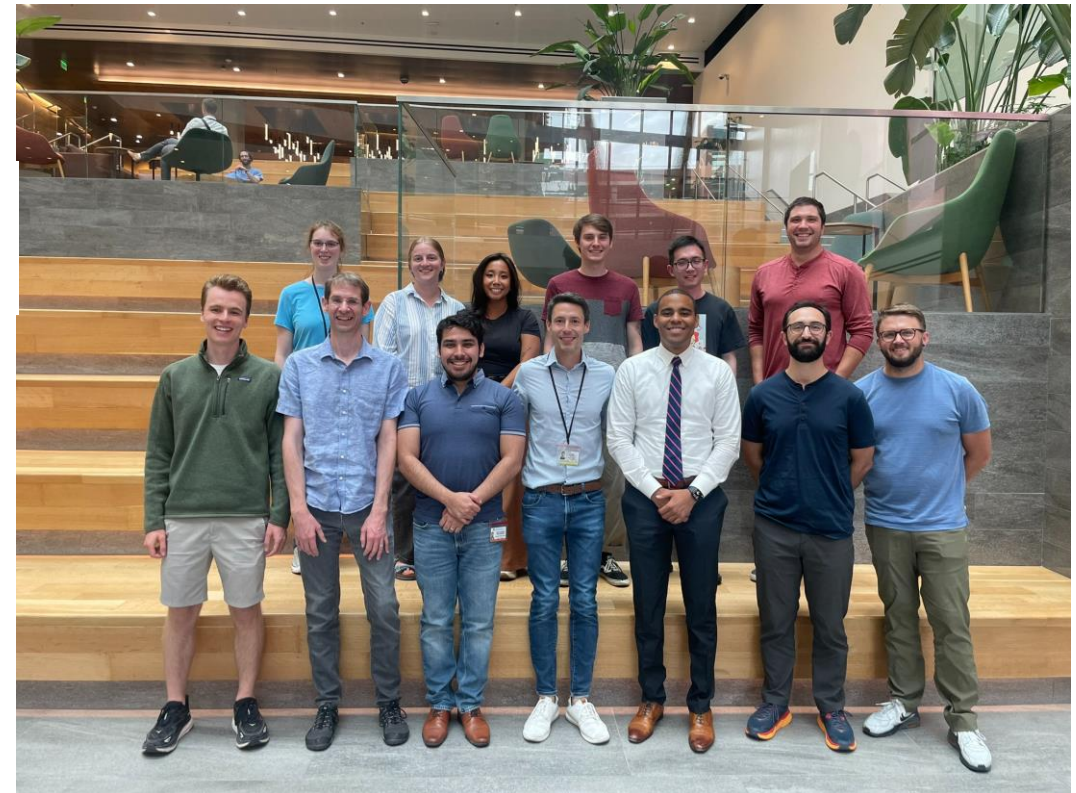


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