CV Project Iteration 1

First Evaluation

Brief Project Description

- 3D Point Cloud Reconstruction of an object from a single image.
- Previous works were:
 - Volumetric Representation
 - From multiple image data
- Novelty from previous work:
 - O Do don't make strong assumptions over the shape or the environment lighting conditions
- Problem: We have only a single image and multiple 3D point cloud configurations are possible
- Ambiguity in ground truth
- Not same as other 3D reconstruction problems due to the ambiguity

Expected Challenges

- Ground truth ambiguity
- No unique annotations
- The loss function is to be designed considering the above
- Multiple possible solutions for the same problem as we have only one point of view
- Therefore, customised design of Neural network required

Problems and Notations

Goal - Single 2D image (RGB or RGBD) to complete 3D shape

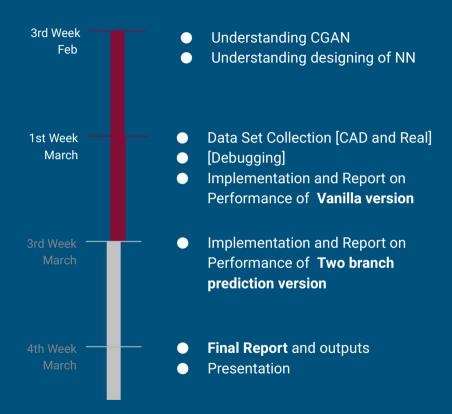
 $S = \{(x_i, y_i, z_i)\}_{i=1}^N$, N is predefined constant, N = 1024 seems sufficient

- The ground truth is a probability distribution P(./I) over the shapes possible for input I i.e. for given image the output 3D points come with a probability
- So, we train the Neural Network as a conditional sampler from P(./I)
 - \bigcirc S = G (I, r, θ)
 - O n/w parameter
 - \bigcirc r ~ N(O, I) It is a random variable to perturb the input

Approach

- Neural Network(NN) is built Conditional Generative Network (CGAN)
- Versions of the NN's described in Paper:
 - Vanilla Version
 - Two Branch Prediction Version
 - Hourglass Version
- Loss Function:
 - Earth Mover Distance (EMD)
 - Chamfer Distance (CD)
- Modelling the uncertainty of the ground truth:
 - Using min function as a wrapper to the loss function
 - O By a conditional Variational Autoencoder

Expected TimeLine



Expected Learnings

- Learn and implement Conditional Generative Network
- Understanding 3D Convolution Network
- Implementation and Deployment of Neural Network
- Designing and Implementation of Custom Loss functions
- Working with TensorFlow and Cuda
- NN's for 3D points reconstruction from single image

Important Links!

- Link to Paper
- State of the Art for 3D reconstruction from single Image as of 2019
 Mesh R-CNN by FAIR ICCV 2019.