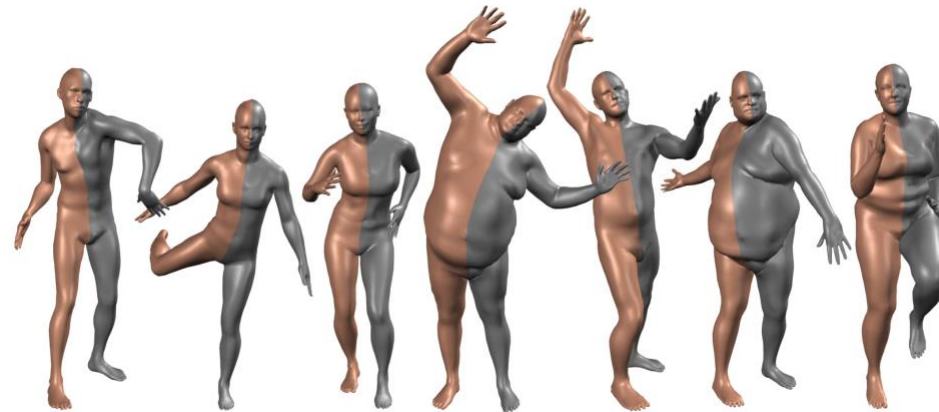


SMPL: A Skinned Multi-Person Linear Model

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Introduction

- Paper: <https://files.is.tue.mpg.de/black/papers/SMPL2015.pdf>
- Project: <https://smpl.is.tue.mpg.de/>
- Github: SMPL-X
https://github.com/vchoutas/smplx/tree/master/transfer_model

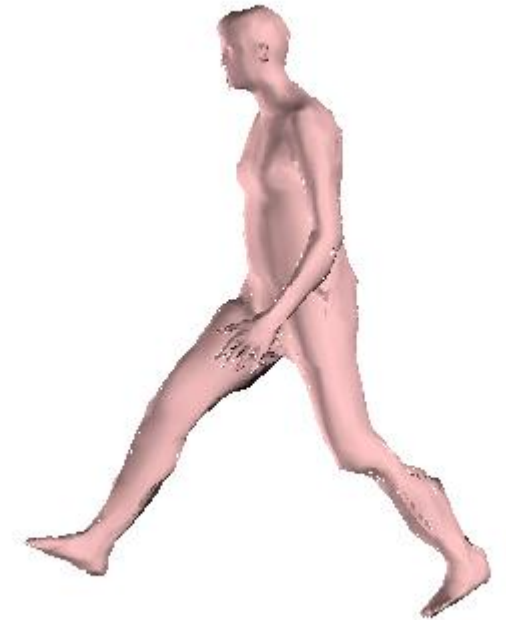
Introduction



Optimization based:
+SMPLify
+SMPLifyX

Deep learning:
+HMR
+SPIN
+Graph CNN based

Body and
shape
parameters

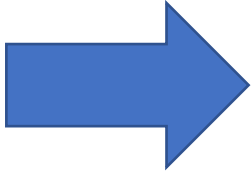


3D body
Dataset

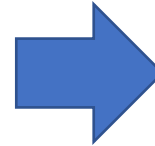


+How to store and visualize?
→ **SMPL model**

Store 3D data



3D vertices coordinate:
+large memory
+not easy to change
shape and pose

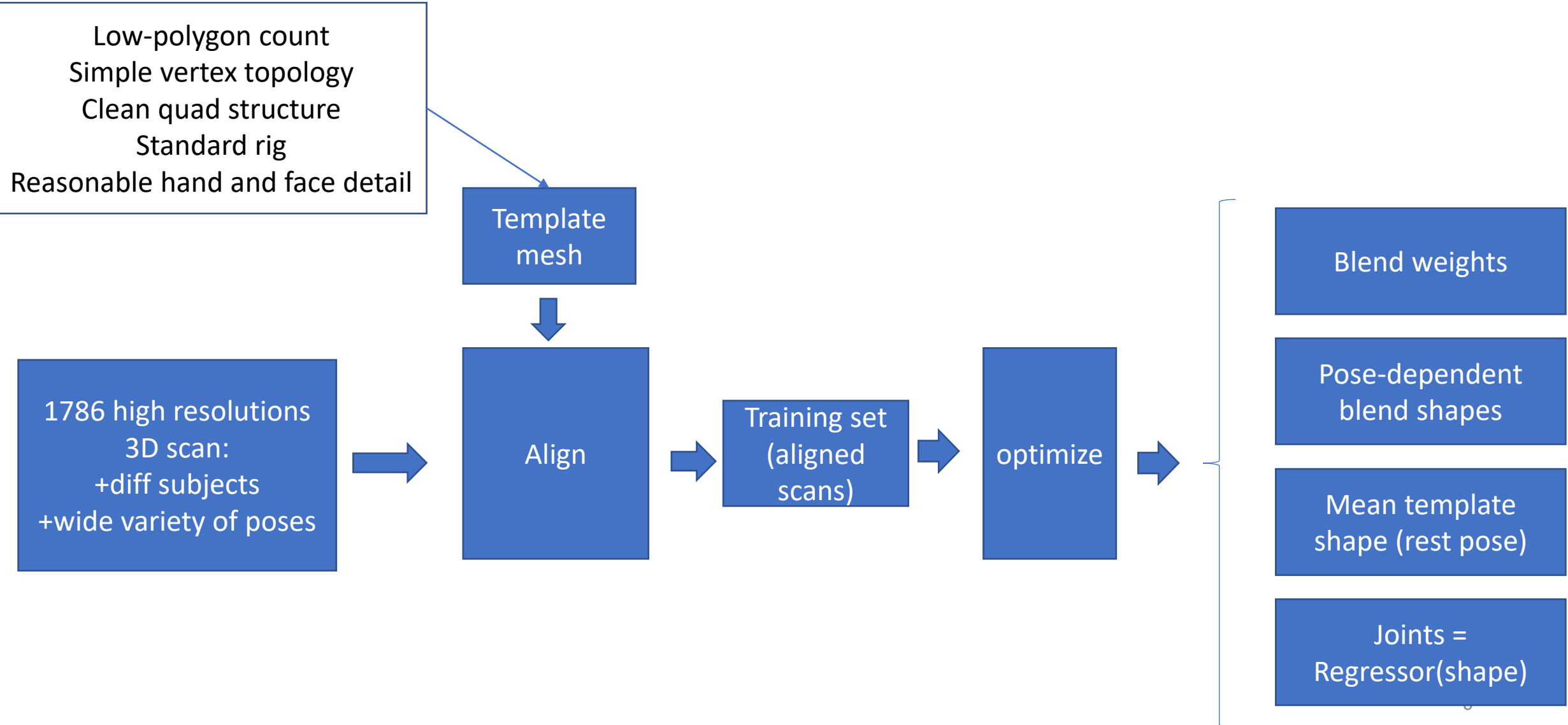


SMPL model
+Less memory
+Easy to change shape and pose
+Naturally/Realistic deform

Introduction

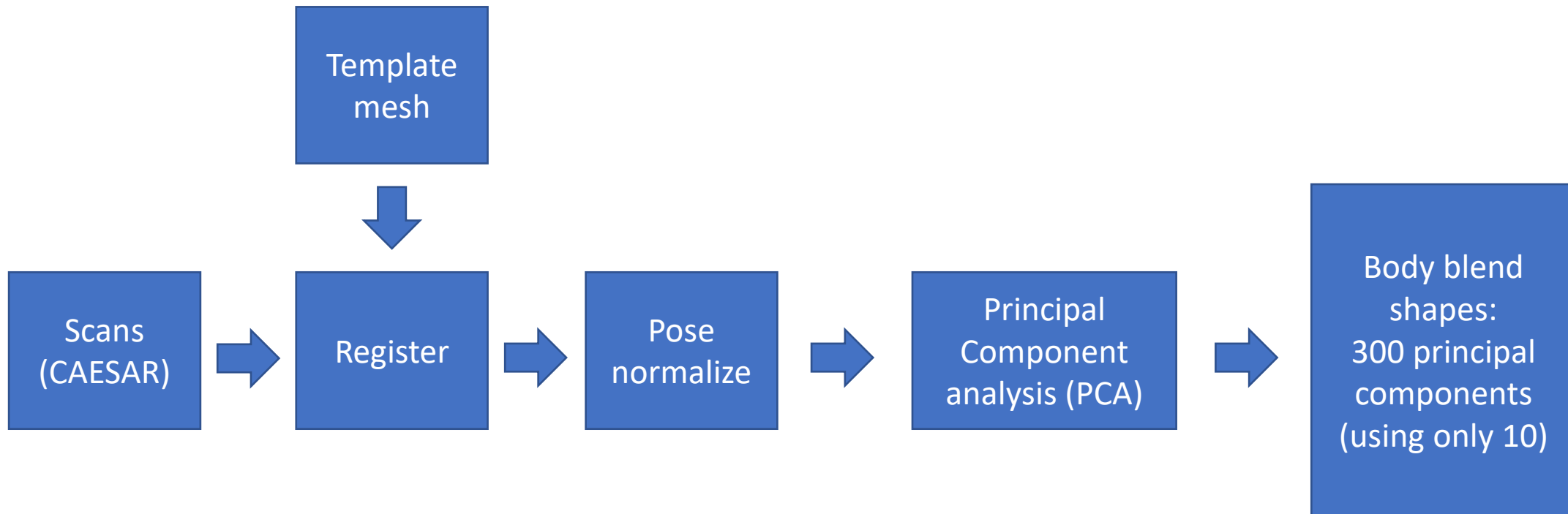
- Aim: Present a learned model of human body shape and pose dependent shape variation
 - More accurate
 - Comparable with existing graphics pipeline
- Parameters of the model(학습 데이터로부터 얻어옴)
 - rest pose template(zero pose:팔 벌린 상태에서 vertex의 위치 \bar{T})
 - Blend weights(w joint와 vertex간 연관관계의 척도)
 - Pose blendshape(\mathcal{P} template)
 - Shape(Identity blend shape(\mathcal{S} template)
 - Joint regressor matrix(\mathcal{J})

People deform with pose



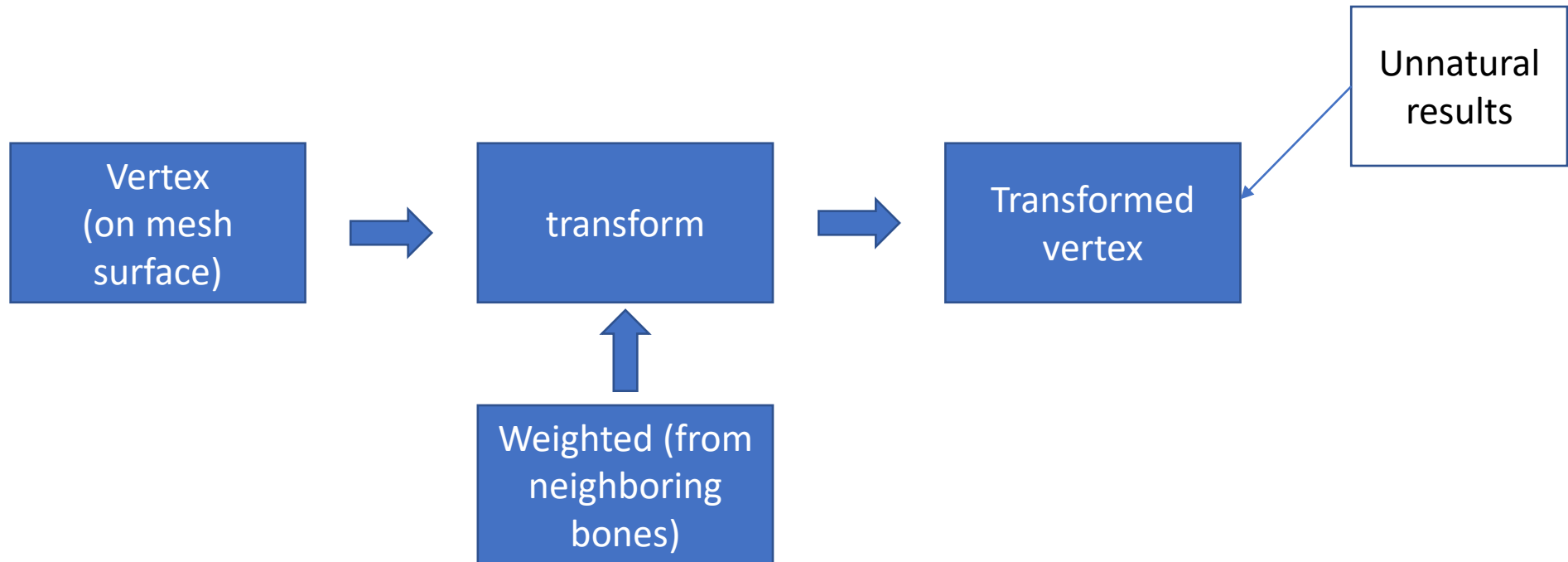
Linear models of male and female body shape

- CAESAR dataset [Robinette et al. 2002]
 - ~2000 scans / gender

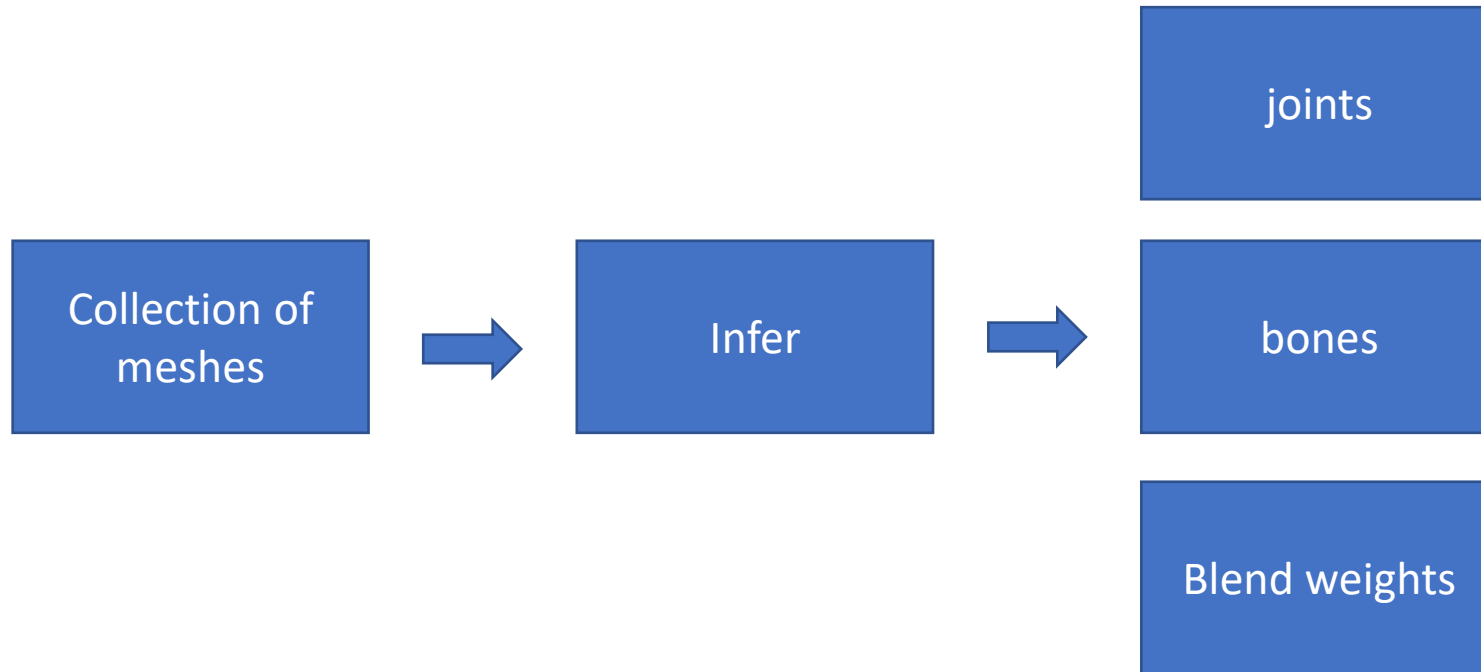


Related work: Blend skinning

- Skeleton subspace deformation methods
- Attach the surface of a mesh to an underlying skeletal structure



Related work: Auto rigging



Model formulation

- Mesh $N = 6890$ Vertices
- $K = 23$ joints
- A segmentation into parts
- Initial blend weights
- Skeletal rig

Mean template shape $\bar{\mathbf{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{3N}$

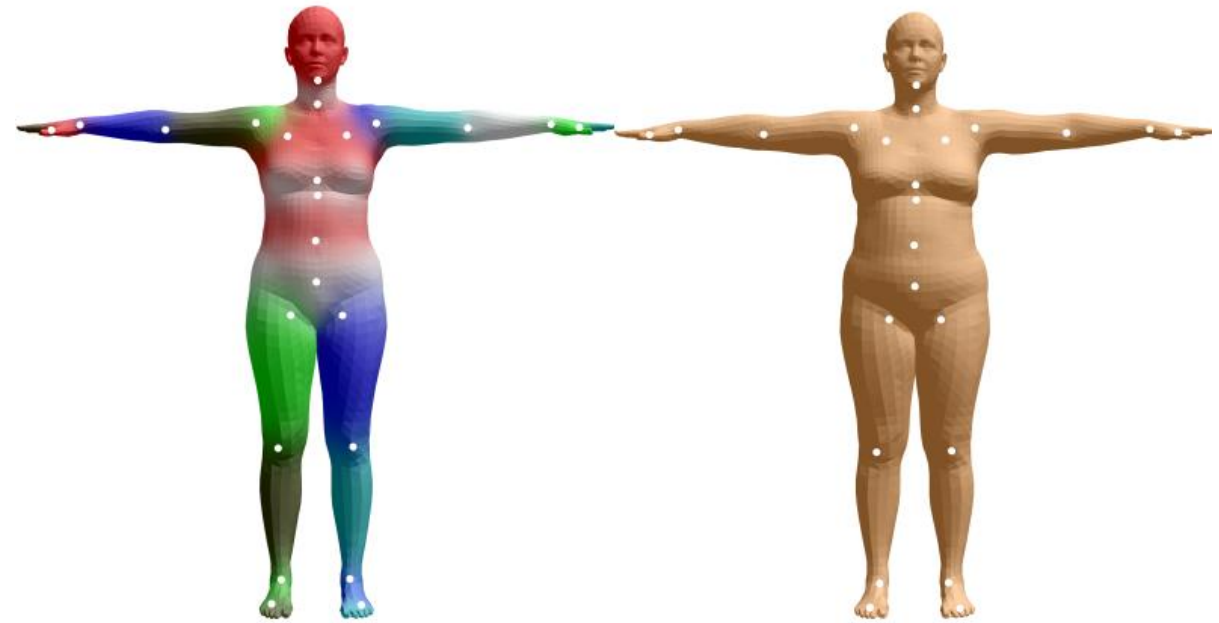
- Zero pose: $\vec{\theta}^*$
- Blend weights: $\mathcal{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times K}$



(a) $\bar{\mathbf{T}}, \mathcal{W}$

- A blend shape function: $B_S(\vec{\beta}) : \mathbb{R}^{|\vec{\beta}|} \mapsto \mathbb{R}^{3N}$
- Shape parameters: $\vec{\beta}$
- Output: blend shape sculpting the subject identity
- Function to predict $K = 23$ joint locations: white dots

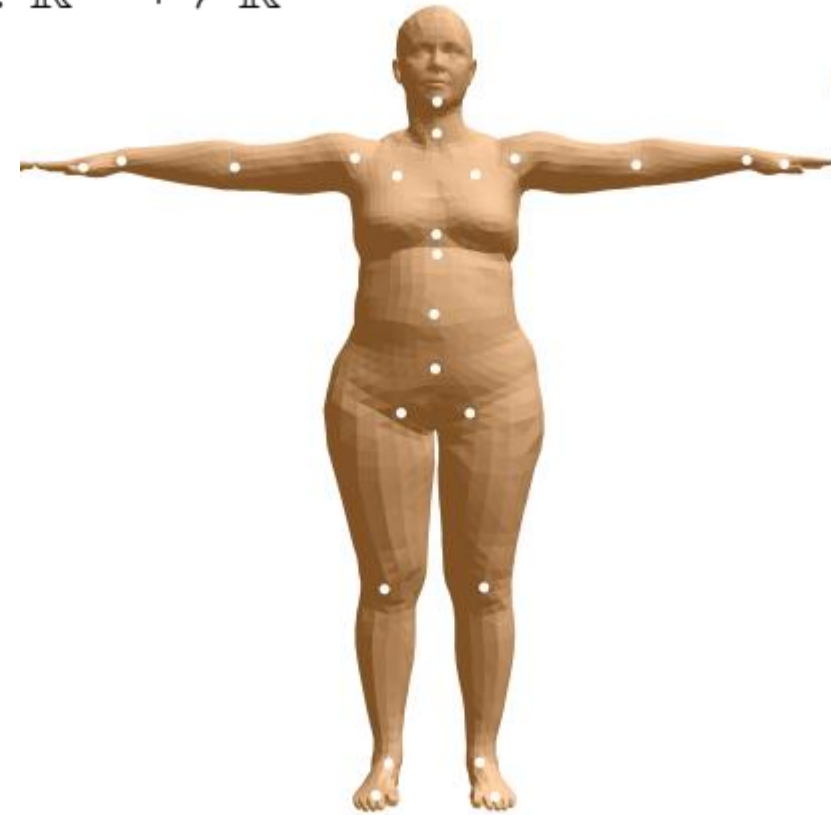
$$J(\vec{\beta}) : \mathbb{R}^{|\vec{\beta}|} \mapsto \mathbb{R}^{3K}$$



(a) $\bar{\mathbf{T}}, \mathcal{W}$

(b) $\bar{\mathbf{T}} + B_S(\vec{\beta}), J(\vec{\beta})$

- Pose-dependent blend shape function: $B_P(\vec{\theta}) : \mathbb{R}^{|\vec{\theta}|} \mapsto \mathbb{R}^{3N}$
- Pose parameters: $\vec{\theta}$,



(c) $T_P(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\theta}) = \bar{\mathbf{T}} + B_S(\vec{\beta}) + B_P(\vec{\theta})$

- Standard blend skinning function $W(\cdot)$ (LBS or DQBS)
- Rotate the vertices around the estimated joint centers with smoothing
- Result: $M(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\theta}; \Phi) : \mathbb{R}^{|\vec{\theta}| \times |\vec{\beta}|} \mapsto \mathbb{R}^{3N}$
- Learned model parameters Φ



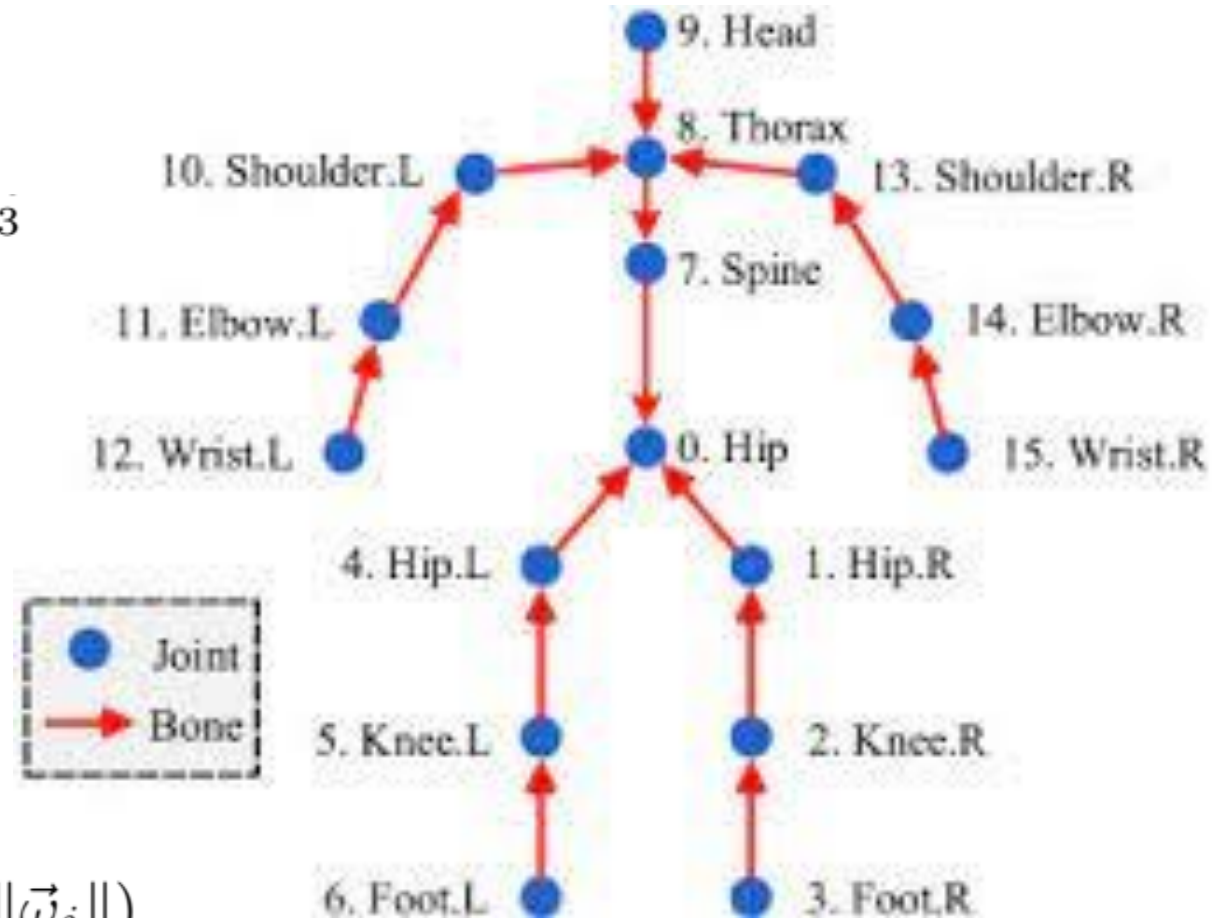
(d) $W(T_P(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\theta}), J(\vec{\beta}), \vec{\theta}, \mathcal{W})$

Blend skinning

- Particular vertex: $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^3$
- Axis-angle between part k to its parents in the kinematic tree: $\vec{\omega}_k \in \mathbb{R}^3$
- $K = 23$ joints $\rightarrow \vec{\theta} = [\vec{\omega}_0^T, \dots, \vec{\omega}_K^T]^T$
- $|\vec{\theta}| = 3 \times 23 + 3 = 72$ parameters
- Unit norm axis of rotation: $\bar{\omega} = \frac{\vec{\omega}}{\|\vec{\omega}\|}$
- Each joint $j \rightarrow$ Rodrigues formula

$$\exp(\vec{\omega}_j) = \mathcal{I} + \hat{\bar{\omega}}_j \sin(\|\vec{\omega}_j\|) + \hat{\bar{\omega}}_j^2 \cos(\|\vec{\omega}_j\|)$$

$\hat{\bar{\omega}}$ is the skew symmetric matrix of the 3-vector $\bar{\omega}$



Blend skinning

- Standard linear blend skinning function

$$W(\bar{\mathbf{T}}, \mathbf{J}, \vec{\theta}, \mathcal{W}) : \mathbb{R}^{3N \times 3K \times |\vec{\theta}| \times |\mathcal{W}|} \mapsto \mathbb{R}^{3N}$$

- Rest pose: $\bar{\mathbf{T}}$
- Joint locations: \mathbf{J}
- A pose: $\vec{\theta} = [\vec{\omega}_0^T, \dots, \vec{\omega}_K^T]^T$
- Blend weights: \mathcal{W}
- Return: The posed vertices
- Each vertex $\bar{\mathbf{t}}_i$ in $\bar{\mathbf{T}} \rightarrow$ transformed $\bar{\mathbf{t}}'_i$

$$\bar{\mathbf{t}}'_i = \sum_{k=1}^K w_{k,i} G'_k(\vec{\theta}, \mathbf{J}) \bar{\mathbf{t}}_i$$

$$G'_k(\vec{\theta}, \mathbf{J}) = G_k(\vec{\theta}, \mathbf{J}) G_k(\vec{\theta}^*, \mathbf{J})^{-1}$$

$$G_k(\vec{\theta}, \mathbf{J}) = \prod_{j \in A(k)} \left[\frac{\exp(\vec{\omega}_j)}{\vec{0}} \mid \frac{\mathbf{j}_j}{1} \right]$$

Blend skinning

- Element of blend weight matrix $w_{k,i}$
 - How much the rotation of part k effect vertex i
- 3x3 rotation matrix $\exp(\vec{\theta}_j)$ corresponding to join j.
- World transformation of joints k: $G_k(\vec{\theta}, \mathbf{J})$
- \rightarrow remove transformation of rest pose $\vec{\theta}^*$:

$$G'_k(\vec{\theta}, \mathbf{J})$$
- Joints j location: \mathbf{j}_j
- Ordered set of joint ancestors of join k: $A(k)$

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Blend skinning

- SMPL blend skinning model: $M(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\theta}; \Phi)$

$$M(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\theta}) = W(T_P(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\theta}), J(\vec{\beta}), \vec{\theta}, \mathcal{W})$$

$$T_P(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\theta}) = \bar{\mathbf{T}} + B_S(\vec{\beta}) + B_P(\vec{\theta})$$

- Vectors of vertices representing offsets from the template.

- Shape blend shape $B_S(\vec{\beta})$

- Pose blend shape: $B_P(\vec{\theta})$



Explain in next
slides

- Then:

$$\bar{\mathbf{t}}'_i = \sum_{k=1}^K w_{k,i} G'_k(\vec{\theta}, J(\vec{\beta})) (\bar{\mathbf{t}}_i + \mathbf{b}_{S,i}(\vec{\beta}) + \mathbf{b}_{P,i}(\vec{\theta}))$$

Shape blend shapes

- Body shapes of different people represented by a linear function

$$B_S(\vec{\beta}; \mathcal{S}) = \sum_{n=1}^{|\vec{\beta}|} \beta_n \mathbf{S}_n$$
$$\vec{\beta} = [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{|\vec{\beta}|}]^T$$

- Number of linear shape coefficients: $|\vec{\beta}|$
- Orthonormal principal components of shape displacements: $\mathbf{S}_n \in \mathbb{R}^{3N}$
- \mathcal{S} : learned from registered training meshes, Sec. 4

Pose blend shapes

- Maps function: $R : \mathbb{R}^{|\vec{\theta}|} \mapsto \mathbb{R}^{9K}$
- Vector of concatenated part relative rotation matrices: $R(\vec{\theta}) : 23 \times 9$, non-linear with $\vec{\theta}$. (functions of sines and cosines)
- $R^*(\vec{\theta}) = (R(\vec{\theta}) - R(\vec{\theta}^*))$ where $\vec{\theta}^*$ denotes the rest pose.

$$B_P(\vec{\theta}; \mathcal{P}) = \sum_{n=1}^{9K} (R_n(\vec{\theta}) - R_n(\vec{\theta}^*)) \mathbf{P}_n$$

$$\mathbf{P}_n \in \mathbb{R}^{3N},$$

learned from registered training meshes, Sec. 4

- Matrix of all 207 pose blend shapes: $\mathcal{P} = [\mathbf{P}_1, \dots, \mathbf{P}_{9K}] \in \mathbb{R}^{3N \times 9K}$
- In rest pose, pose blend shapes is zero.

Joint locations

- Joints as a function of the body shape, $\vec{\beta}$,

$$J(\vec{\beta}; \mathcal{J}, \bar{\mathbf{T}}, \mathcal{S}) = \mathcal{J}(\bar{\mathbf{T}} + B_S(\vec{\beta}; \mathcal{S}))$$

- Matrix that transforms rest vertices into rest joints: \mathcal{J}
 - Models which mesh vertices are important
 - How to combine them to estimate the joint locations.

SMPL model

- SMPL model:

$$\Phi = \{\bar{\mathbf{T}}, \mathcal{W}, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{J}, \mathcal{P}\}$$

- How to learn these in Sec. 4
- After learned, SMPL model:

$$M(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\theta}; \Phi) = W \left(T_P(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\theta}; \bar{\mathbf{T}}, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{P}), J(\vec{\beta}; \mathcal{J}, \bar{\mathbf{T}}, \mathcal{S}), \vec{\theta}, \mathcal{W} \right)$$

- Vertex transformed: $\mathbf{t}'_i = \sum_{k=1}^K w_{k,i} G'_k(\vec{\theta}, J(\vec{\beta}; \mathcal{J}, \bar{\mathbf{T}}, \mathcal{S})) \mathbf{t}_{P,i}(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\theta}; \bar{\mathbf{T}}, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{P})$

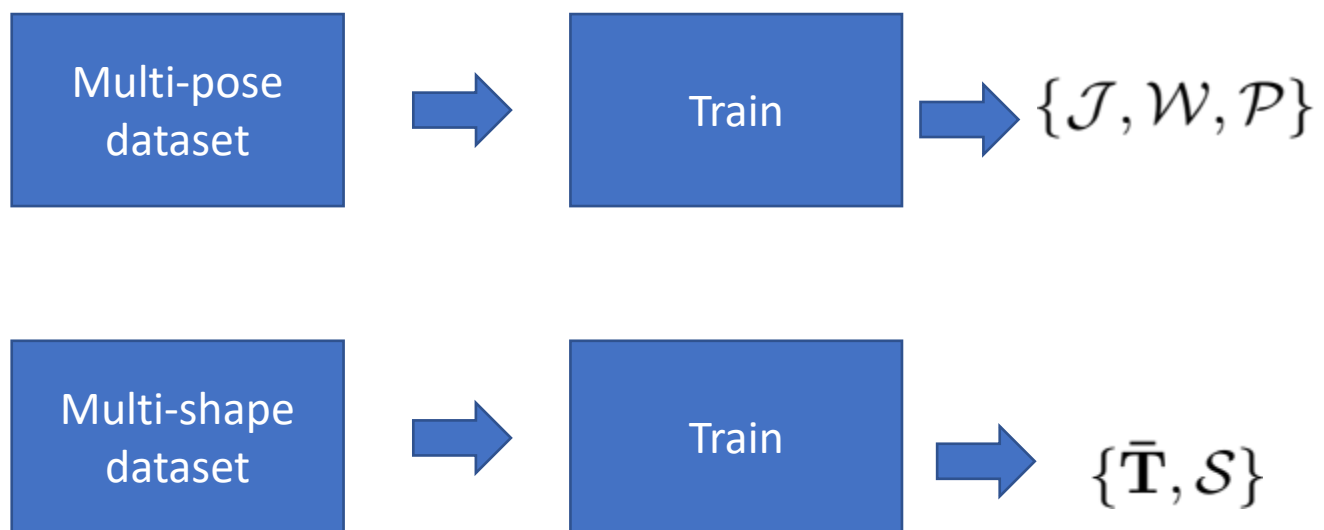
- Vertex i after applying the blend shapes

$$\mathbf{t}_{P,i}(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\theta}; \bar{\mathbf{T}}, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{P}) = \bar{\mathbf{t}}_i + \sum_{m=1}^{|\vec{\beta}|} \beta_m \mathbf{s}_{m,i} + \sum_{n=1}^{9K} (R_n(\vec{\theta}) - R_n(\vec{\theta}^*)) \mathbf{p}_{n,i}$$

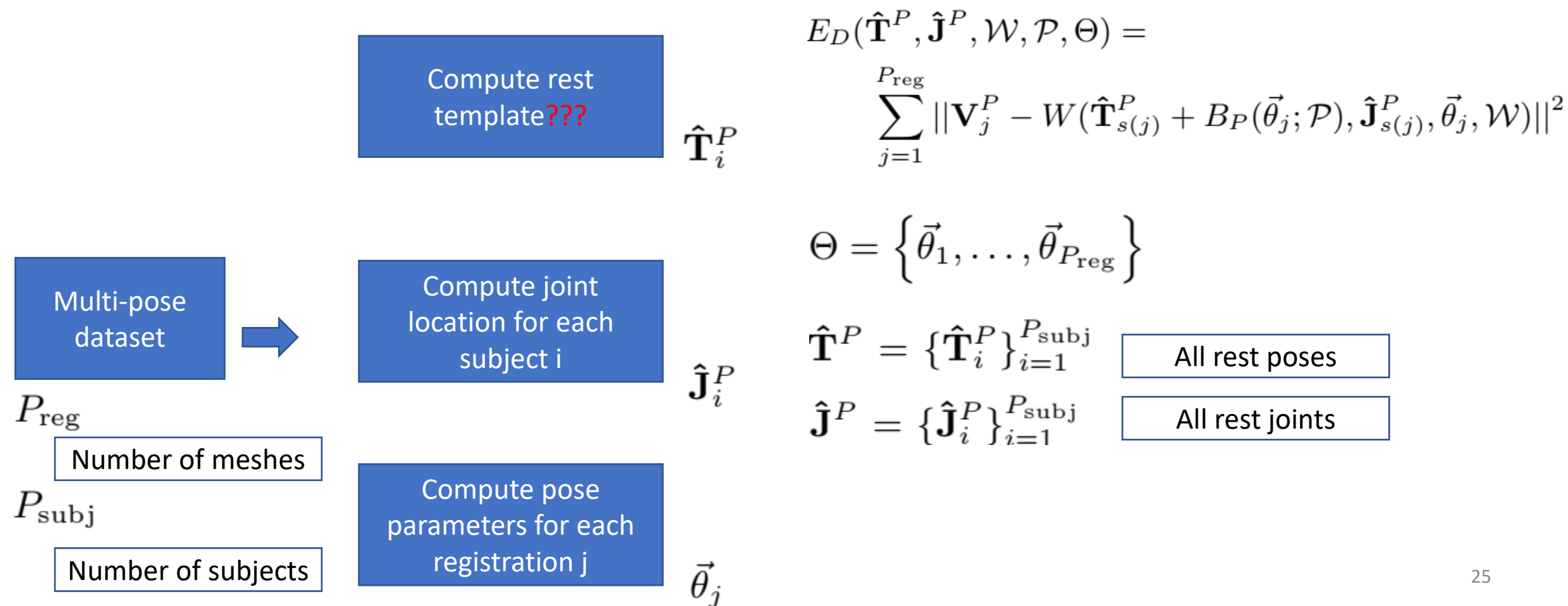
4. Training

- Aligned meshes: “registrations”
- Multi-pose dataset:
 - 1786 registrations of 40 individuals
 - 891 of 20 females
 - 895 of 20 males
- Multi-shape dataset: registrations to the CAESAR dataset
 - 1700 registration for males
 - 2100 for females
- j th mesh in multi-pose dataset: \mathbf{V}_j^P ; and in multi-shape dataset: \mathbf{V}_j^S
- Minimize vertex reconstruction error

Training



Pose parameter training



Pose parameter training

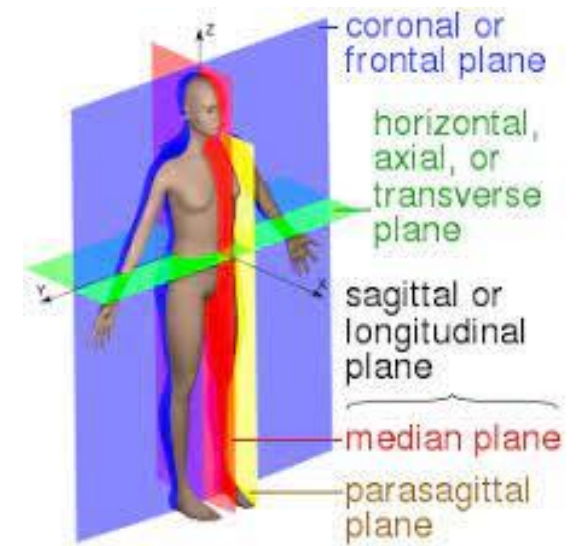
- Regularization term:

- Penalizes left-right asymmetry $\hat{\mathbf{J}}^P$ and $\hat{\mathbf{T}}^P$

$$E_Y(\hat{\mathbf{J}}^P, \hat{\mathbf{T}}^P) = \sum_{i=1}^{P_{\text{subj}}} \lambda_U ||\hat{\mathbf{J}}_i^P - U(\hat{\mathbf{J}}_i^P)||^2 + ||\hat{\mathbf{T}}_i^P - U(\hat{\mathbf{T}}_i^P)||^2,$$

$$\lambda_U = 100$$

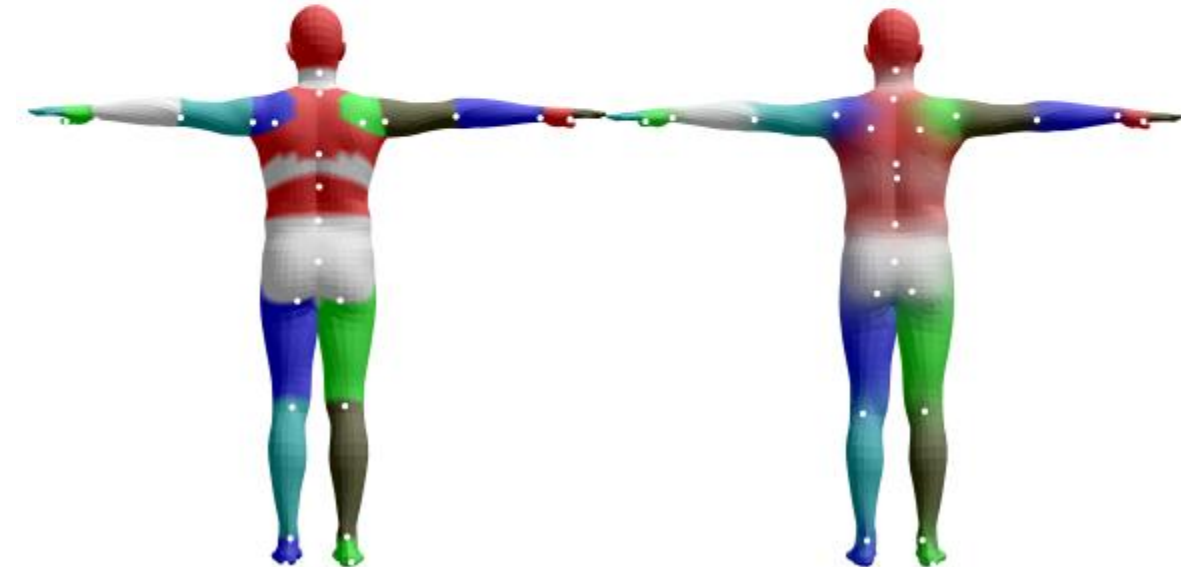
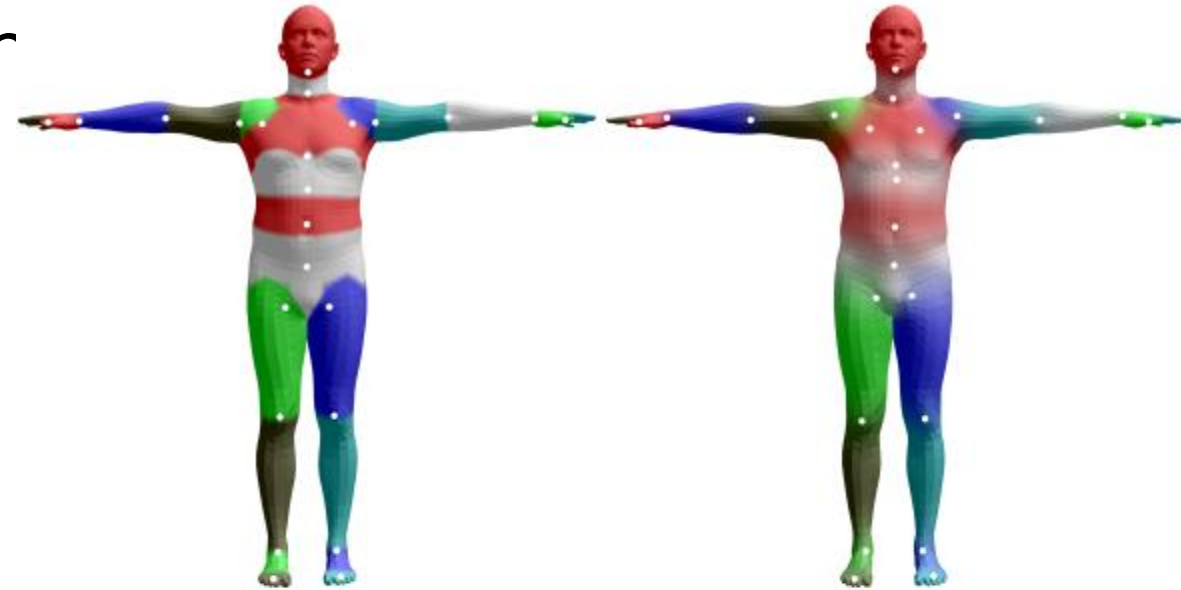
- $U(\mathbf{T})$ finds a mirror image of vertices \mathbf{T} , by flipping across the sagittal plane
- Encourages symmetric template meshes and joint locations.



Initial estimate of the joint

- Model is hand segmented into 24 parts.
- \mathcal{J}_I average ring of vertices connecting two parts.
- The estimating joints need to be close to the initial prediction

$$E_J(\hat{\mathbf{T}}^P, \hat{\mathbf{J}}^P) = \sum_{i=1}^{P_{\text{subj}}} \|\mathcal{J}_I \hat{\mathbf{T}}_i^P - \hat{\mathbf{J}}_i^P\|^2$$



(a) Segmentation

(b) Initialization \mathcal{W}_I

Regularization

- Pose-dependent blend shapes towards zero:

$$E_P(\mathcal{P}) = \|\mathcal{P}\|_F^2$$

$$\|A\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|^2}$$

- Blend weights towards the initial weights

$$E_W(\mathcal{W}) = \|\mathcal{W} - \mathcal{W}_I\|_F^2.$$

The initial weights are computed by simply diffusing the segmentation.

-> not simple for me

Training $\{W, P\}$

$$E_*(\hat{\mathbf{T}}^P, \hat{\mathbf{J}}^P, \Theta, \mathcal{W}, \mathcal{P}) = \\ E_D + \lambda_Y E_Y + \lambda_J E_J + \lambda_P E_P + E_W,$$

where $\lambda_Y = 100$, $\lambda_J = 100$ and $\lambda_P = 25$.

Joint regressor

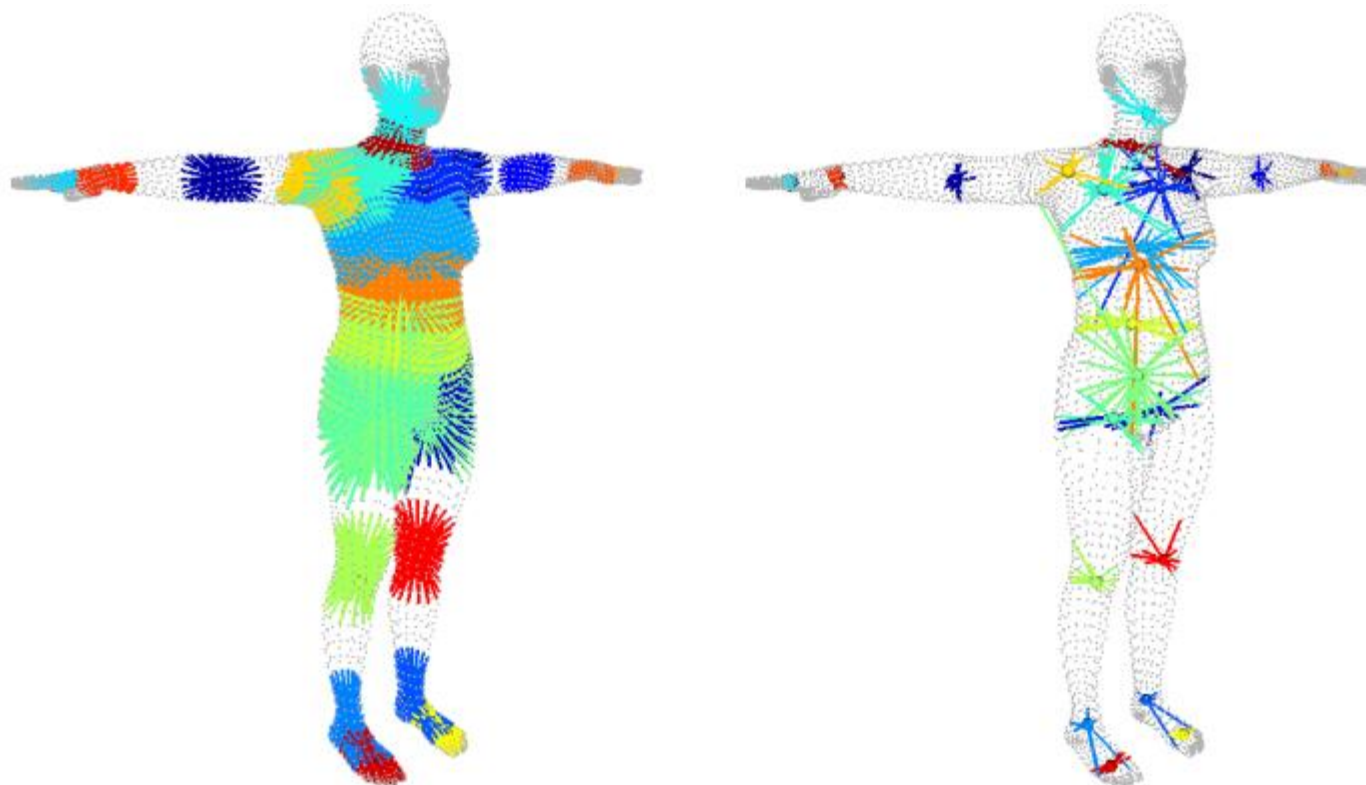
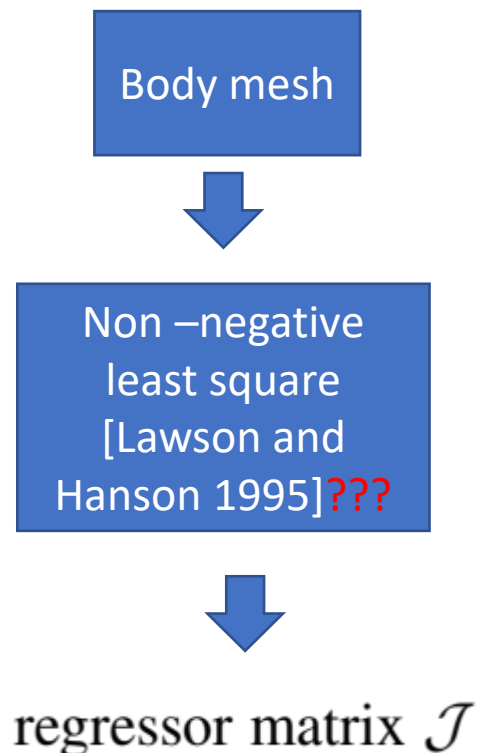
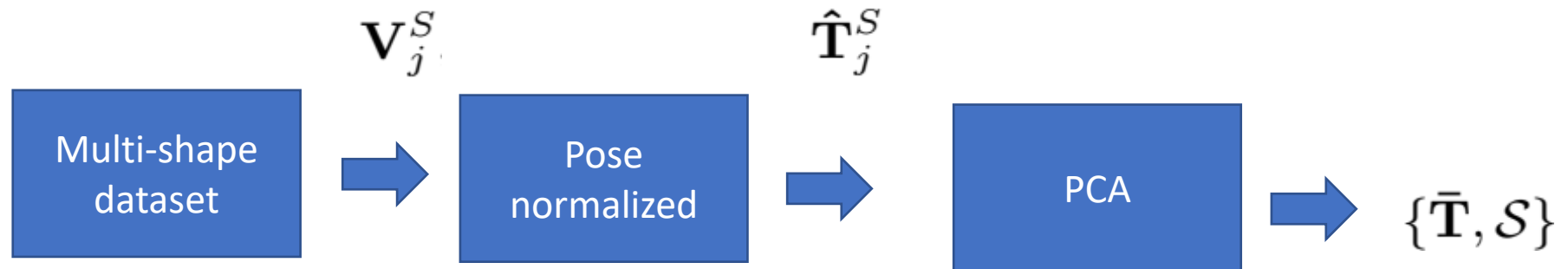


Figure 7: Joint regression. (left) *Initialization.* Joint locations can be influenced by locations on the surface, indicated by the colored lines. We assume that these influences are somewhat local. (right) *Optimized.* After optimization we find a sparse set of vertices and associated weights influencing each joint.

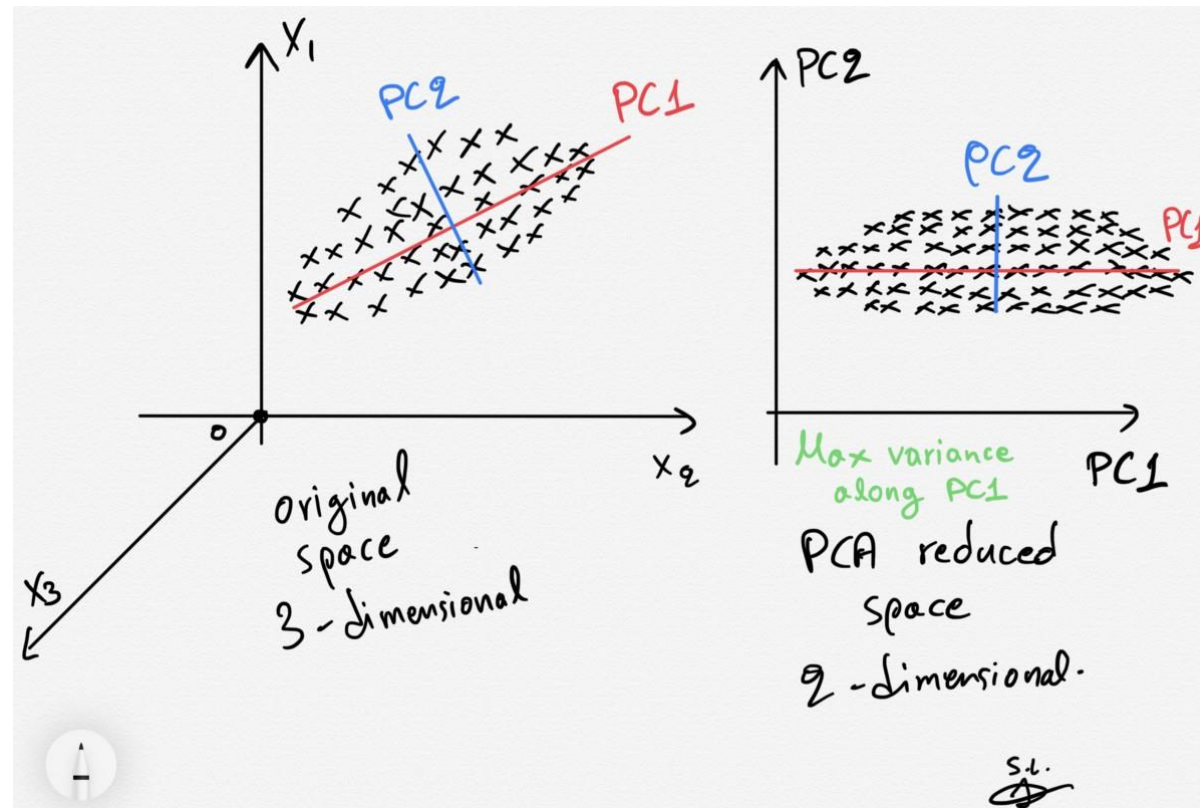
Shape parameter training

- $\{\bar{\mathbf{T}}, \mathcal{S}\}$: mean and principal shape directions



Principal component analysis (PCA)

- Reduce dimensionality



Application to face



= 0.96972



+0.20877



-0.12676



= 0.82532



+0.23646



-0.51277

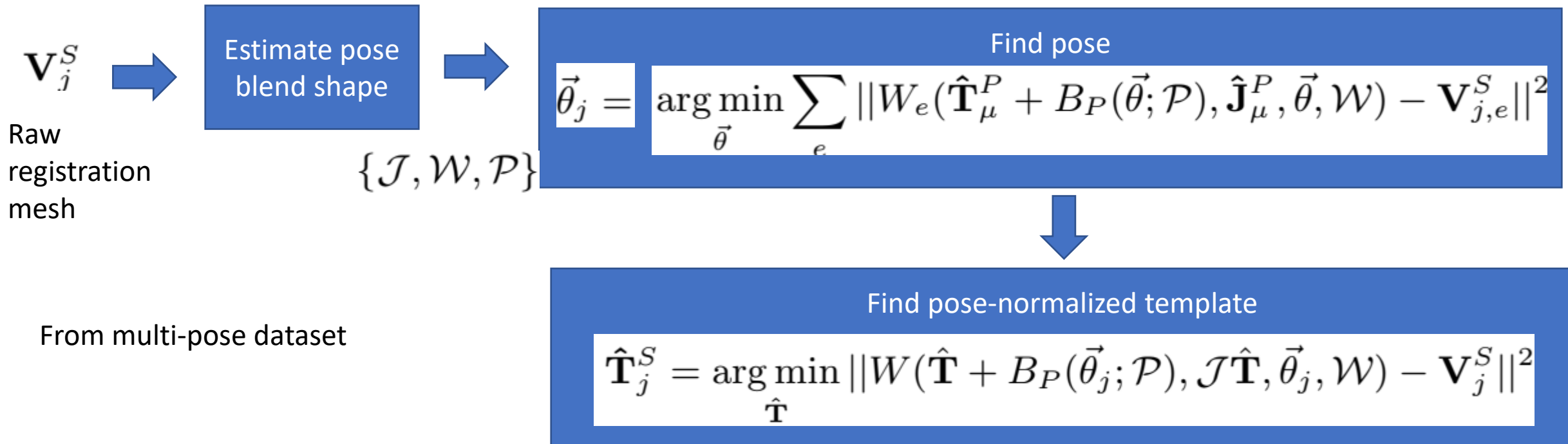


$$\hat{\mathbf{T}}_{\mu}^P \text{ and } \hat{\mathbf{J}}_{\mu}^P$$

From multi-pose dataset

mean shape Mean joint locations

- An edge of the model and the registration $W_e(\hat{\mathbf{T}}_{\mu}^P, \hat{\mathbf{J}}_{\mu}^P, \vec{\theta}, \mathcal{W}), \mathbf{V}_{j,e}^S \in \mathbb{R}^3$



Evaluation