
Object Modeling and Grasping Pipeline based on Superquadric Models

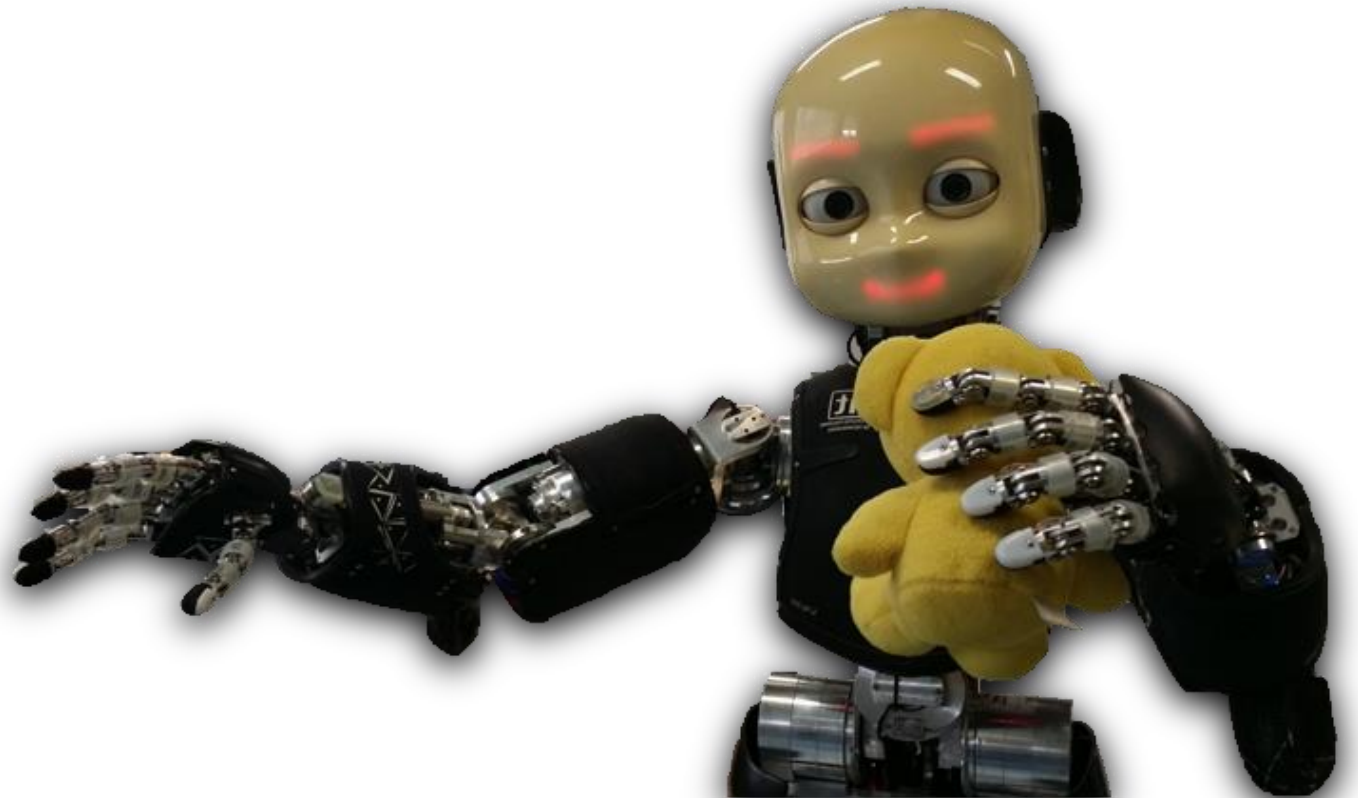
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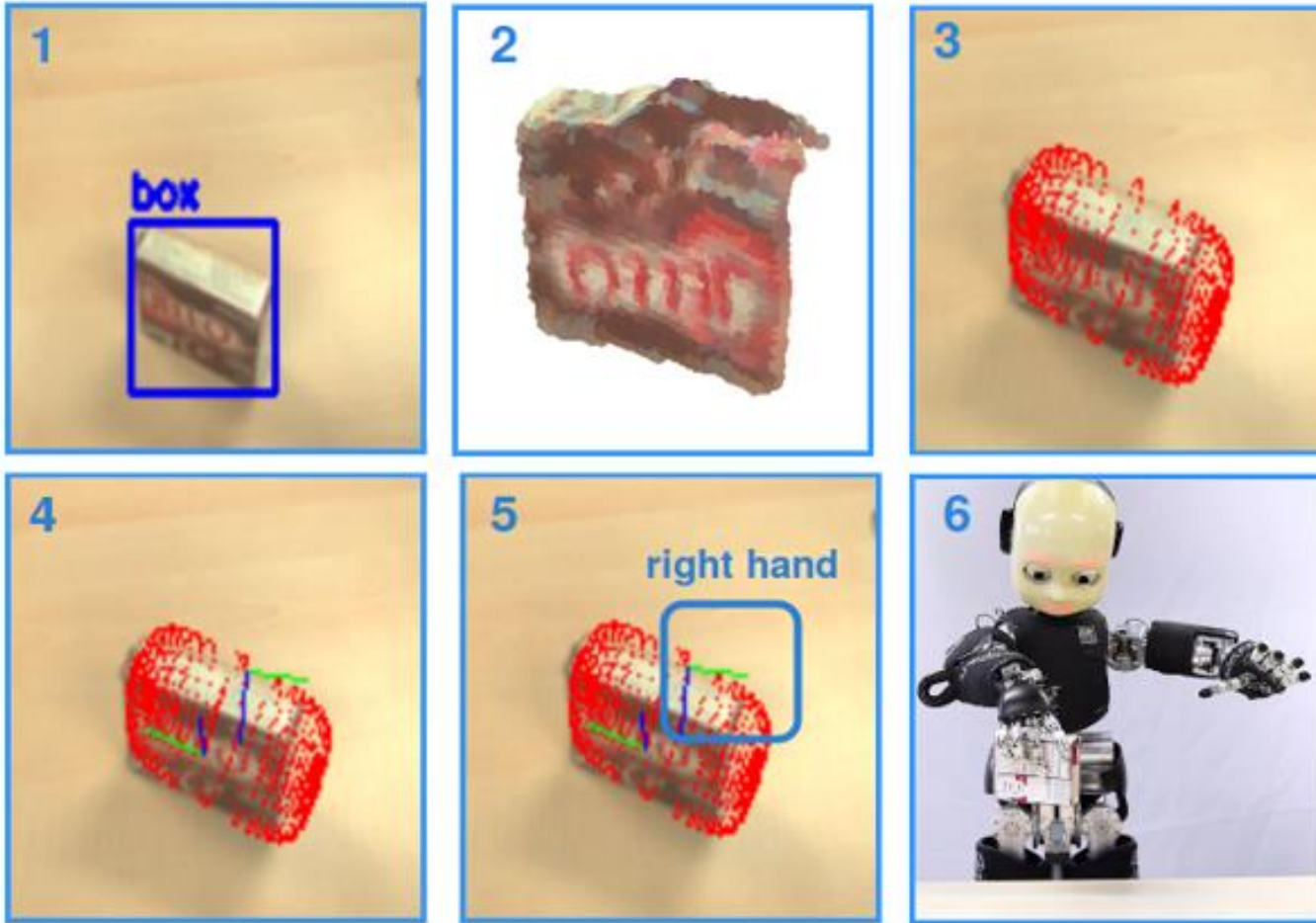
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Pipeline overview



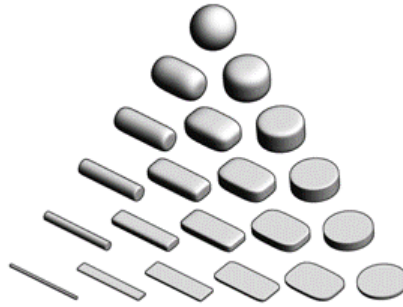
1. Object classification
2. Point cloud extraction
3. Object modeling
4. Grasping pose computation
5. Best hand selection
6. Object grasping

Superquadric Modeling and Grasping

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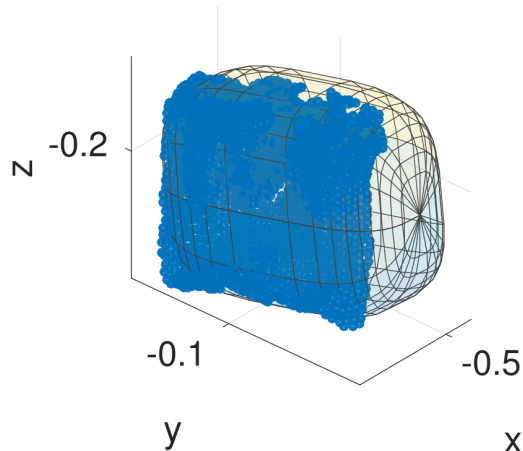
Superquadric function

$$F(x, y, z, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \left(\left(\frac{x}{\lambda_1} \right)^{\frac{2}{\lambda_5}} + \left(\frac{y}{\lambda_2} \right)^{\frac{2}{\lambda_5}} \right)^{\frac{\lambda_5}{\lambda_4}} + \left(\frac{z}{\lambda_3} \right)^{\frac{2}{\lambda_4}}$$



Superquadric estimation

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}} \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\sqrt{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3} (F(\mathbf{s}_i, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) - 1) \right)^2,$$



$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \sum_{i=1}^L \left(\sqrt{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3} (F(\mathbf{p}_i^{\mathbf{x}}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) - 1) \right)^2,$$

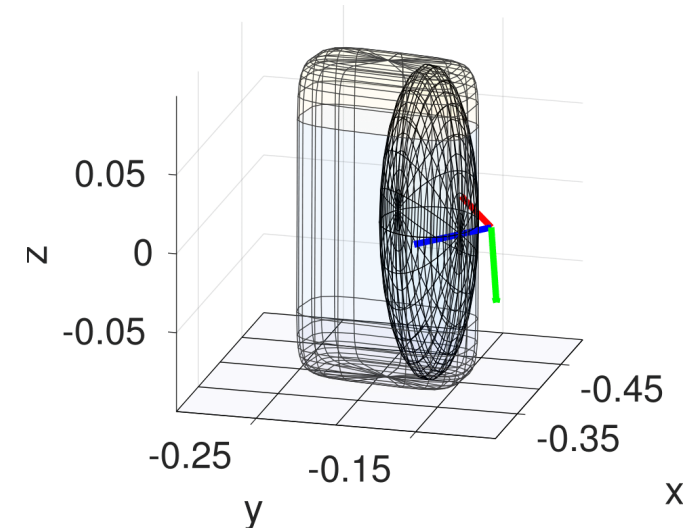
subject to:

$$h(\mathbf{a}, f(\mathbf{p}_1^{\mathbf{x}}, \dots, \mathbf{p}_L^{\mathbf{x}})) > 0.$$



$$a \bar{p}_{x_p}^{\mathbf{x}} + b \bar{p}_{y_p}^{\mathbf{x}} + c \bar{p}_{z_p}^{\mathbf{x}} + d > 0,$$

with $(\bar{p}_{x_p}^{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{p}_{y_p}^{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{p}_{z_p}^{\mathbf{x}}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{p}_{z_p, i}^{\mathbf{x}}} \mathbf{p}_{i, p}^{\mathbf{x}}.$



Novel pipeline: modeling with prior on object shape

- Object classification: cylinder, sphere, box

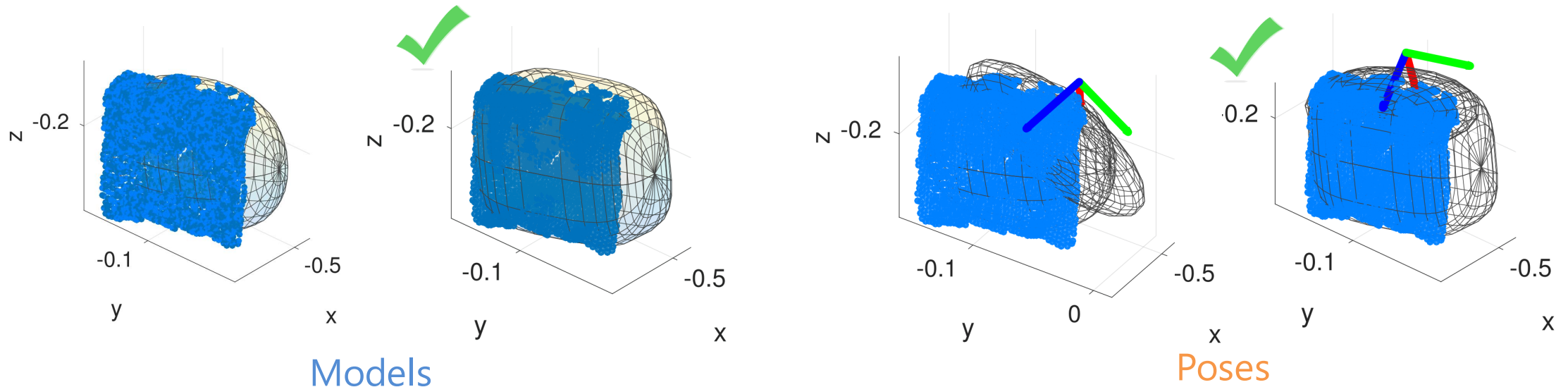


Training set: 30 objects



Test set: 18 objects (YCB & iCubWorld)

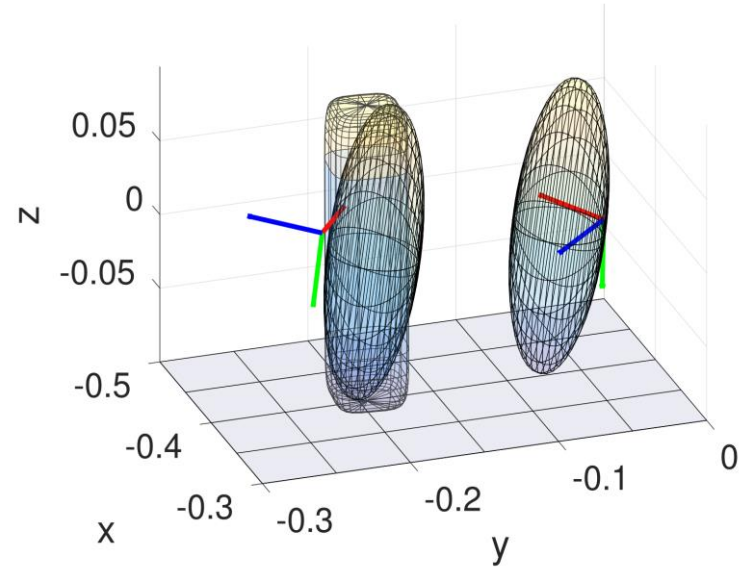
- Sharp cornered shapes lead to better grasping poses



Novel pipeline: automatic hand selection

$$\mathcal{I}_{P,hand} = w_1 F_{f,hand} + w_2 (z_{hand} \cdot z_{root})$$

Overlapping between object and hand model



To favour top and lateral grasps

