



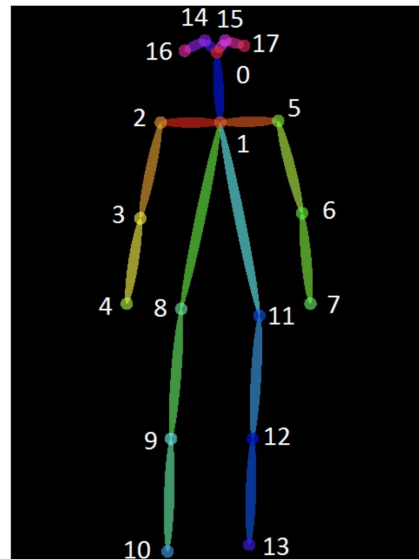
Body Pose estimation

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Understanding Body Pose Estimation

What is Human Body Pose Estimation?

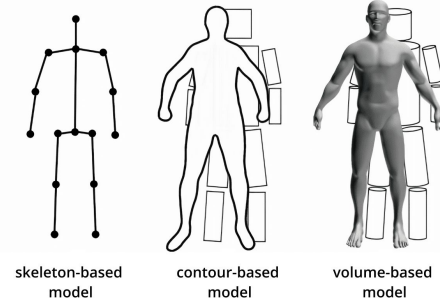
- Key Problem in Computer Vision.
- Goal is to detect position and orientation of body based on specific landmarks.
- Difficult and still largely unsolved



Types and Approaches

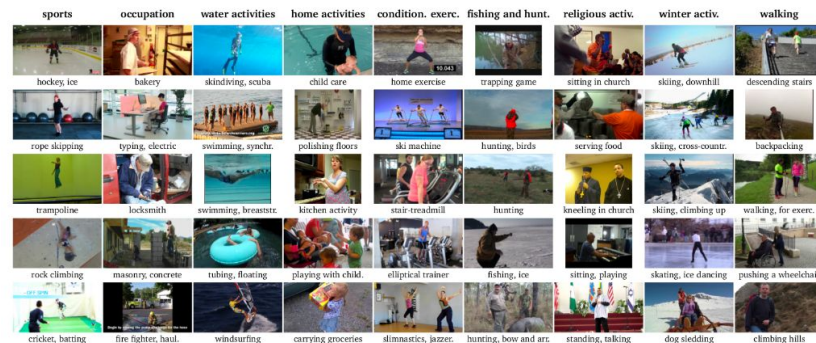
- 2D vs 3D pose estimation
- Models of representing body
 - Skeleton, Contour, and Volume based
- Bottom up vs Top Down approach

HUMAN BODY MODELS



Datasets Used for Pose Estimation

- Leeds Sports Pose Dataset
 - 1k testing/training images
 - Mainly poses from various sports
- MPII Human Pose Dataset
 - 18k training 7k testing images
 - 410 different human activities

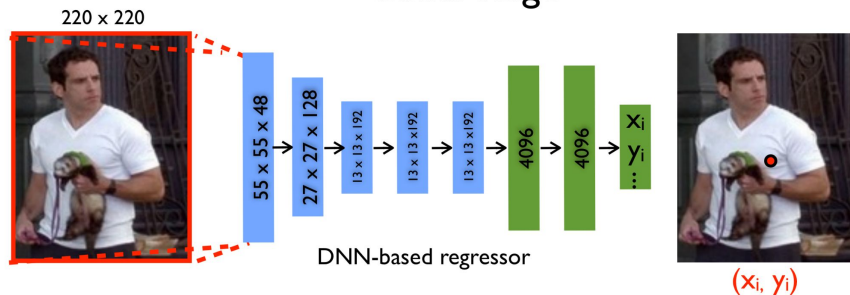


Research Works in Body pose estimation

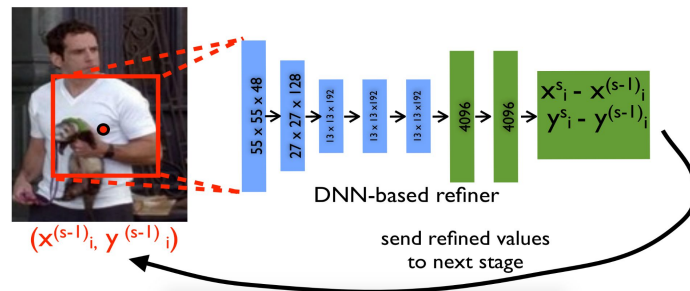
DeepPose: Human Pose Estimation via Deep Neural Networks

- One of the fundamental papers about Human Body Pose Estimation
- First major paper that applied DNNs to Pose estimation.
- Estimation is a joint regression problem.

Initial stage

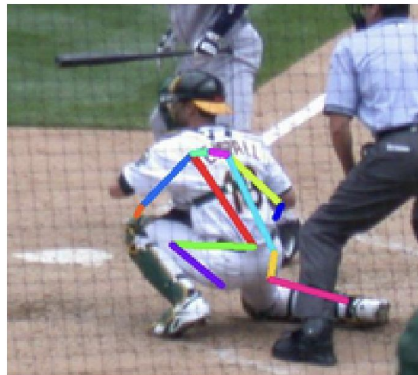


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Motivations for *DeepPose*

- Applying DNNs for object poses had not been done at that time.
- DNNs may provide holistic reasoning.
 - Variability in poses, occluded joints, etc.
- No need to implement complex detectors which limit expressiveness.





Results of *DeepPose*

- Achieved state-of-art or better results on several challenging datasets.

Method	Arm		Leg		Ave.
	Upper	Lower	Upper	Lower	
DeepPose	0.8	0.75	0.71	0.5	0.69
Pishchulin [17]	0.80	0.70	0.59	0.37	0.62
Johnson et al. [13]	0.75	0.67	0.67	0.46	0.64
Yang et al. [26]	0.69	0.64	0.55	0.35	0.56

Convolutional Pose Machines

- Combines benefits from DNNs and Traditional pose machine architectures.



Input Image



(a) Stage 1



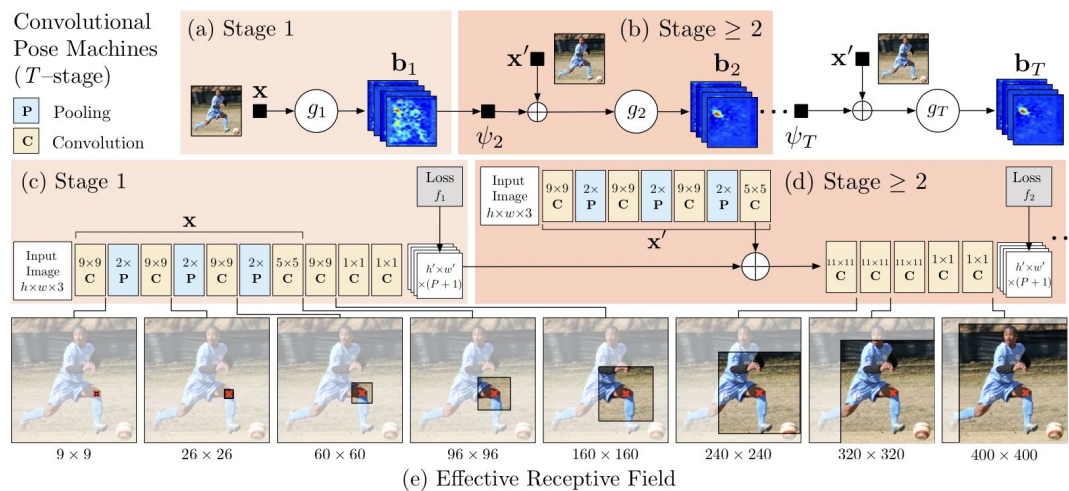
(b) Stage 2



(c) Stage 3

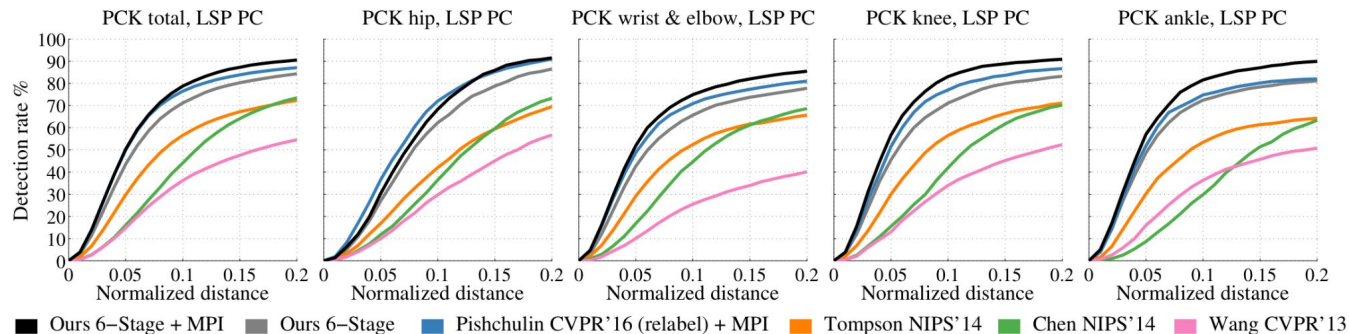
Motivations for *Convolutional Pose Machines*

- Main motivation is to learn long range spatial relationships.
- Address the vanishing gradient problem



Results of *Convolutional Pose Machines*

- Accuracy is significantly higher than other methods in challenging non frontal view of person
- Model does not need another module dedicated to location refinement for high-precision accuracy.



Stacked Hourglass Networks for Human Pose Estimation

- Introduced a new model architecture that pools and upscales input at multiple stages

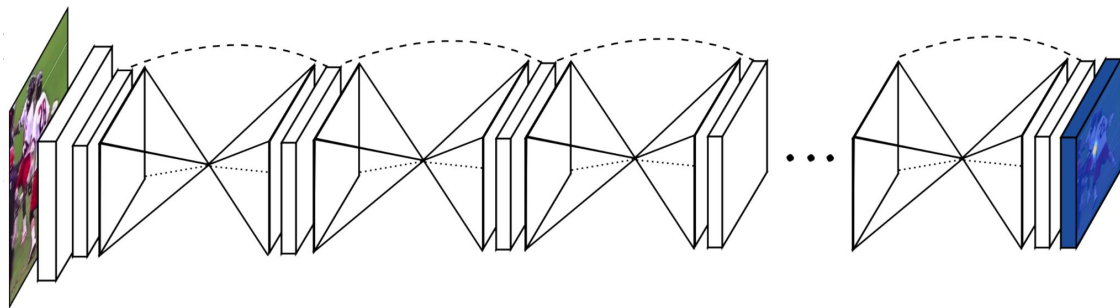
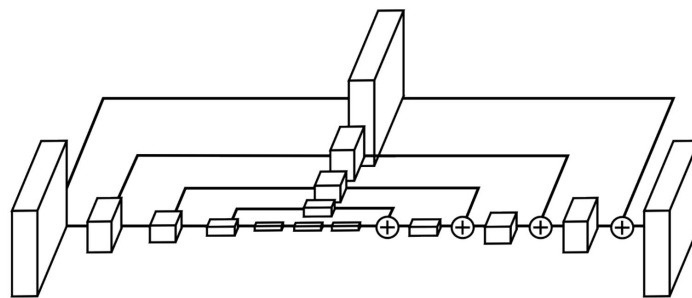
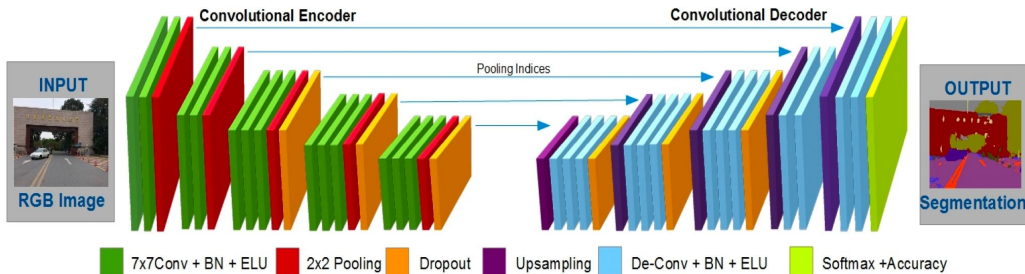


Fig. 1. Our network for pose estimation consists of multiple stacked hourglass modules which allow for repeated bottom-up, top-down inference.

Motivations for *Stacked Hourglass Networks for Human Pose Estimation*

- To be able to capture information at every scale of network.
- Local evidence is key for individual joints, final pose requires global overview



An illustration of a single "hourglass" module. Each box in the figure corresponds to a residual module as seen in Figure 4. The number of features is consistent throughout the whole hourglass.



Results for *Stacked Hourglass Networks for Human Pose Estimation*

- Achieves state-of-the-art results on the MPII dataset.

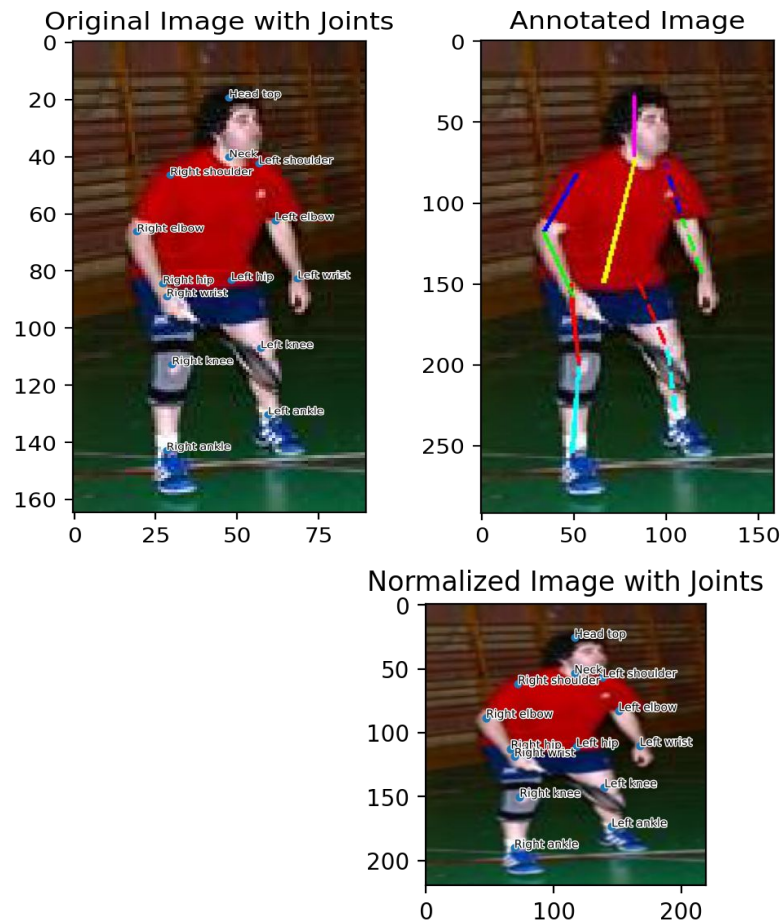
Fig. 7. PCKh comparison on MPII

	Head	Shoulder	Elbow	Wrist	Hip	Knee	Ankle	Total
Tompson et al. [16], CVPR'15	96.1	91.9	83.9	77.8	80.9	72.3	64.8	82.0
Carreira et al. [19], CVPR'16	95.7	91.7	81.7	72.4	82.8	73.2	66.4	81.3
Pishchulin et al. [17], CVPR'16	94.1	90.2	83.4	77.3	82.6	75.7	68.6	82.4
Hu et al. [27], CVPR'16	95.0	91.6	83.0	76.6	81.9	74.5	69.5	82.4
Wei et al. [18], CVPR'16	97.8	95.0	88.7	84.0	88.4	82.8	79.4	88.5
Our model	98.2	96.3	91.2	87.1	90.1	87.4	83.6	90.9

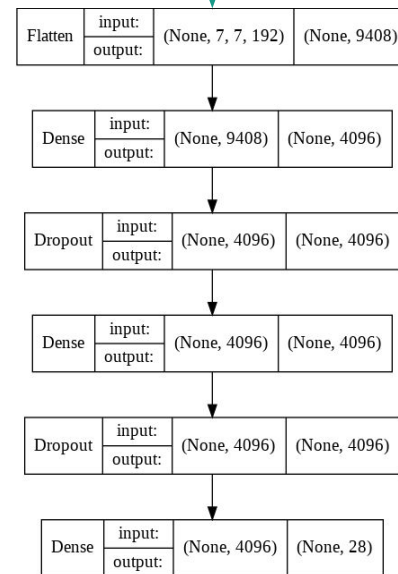
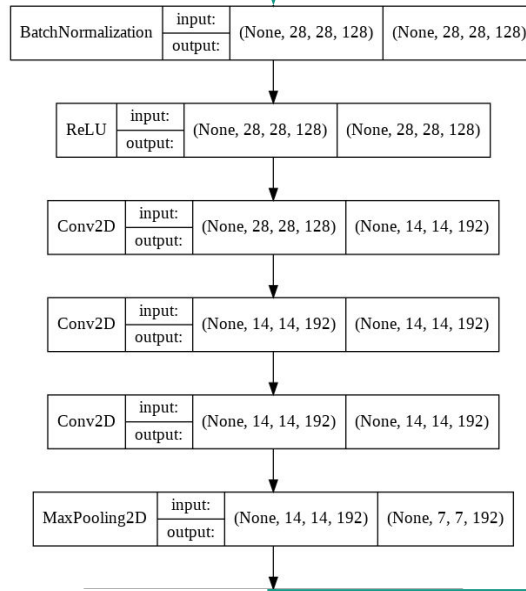
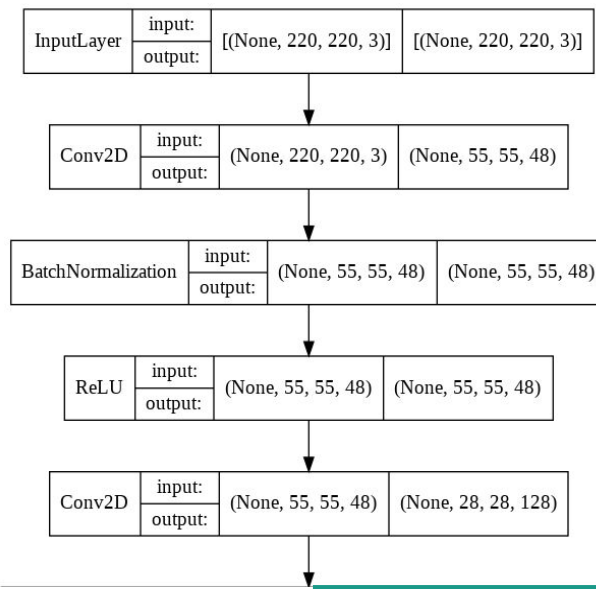
My Implementation

Model

- Based on First stage layed out in the *DeepPose* paper.
- Trained on Leeds Sports Pose Dataset
 - 220x220 pixel image
 - 14 joint coordinates per image



220x220 image (3 color channels)

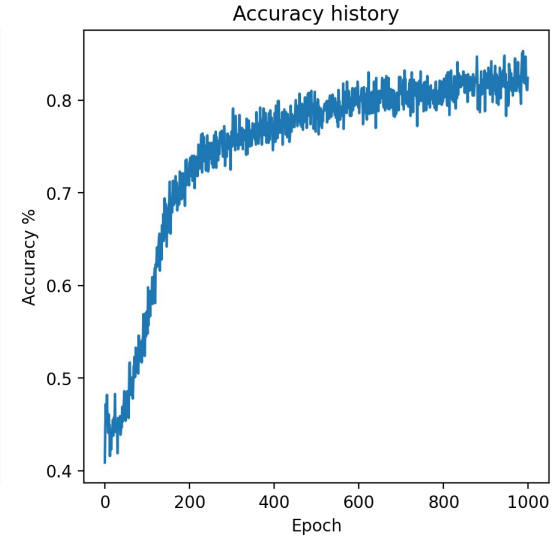
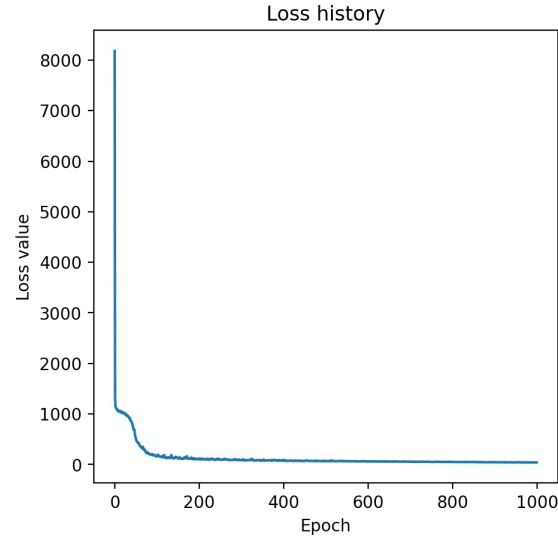


28 individual positions, later transformed to 14 (x, y) pairs

Training Plots

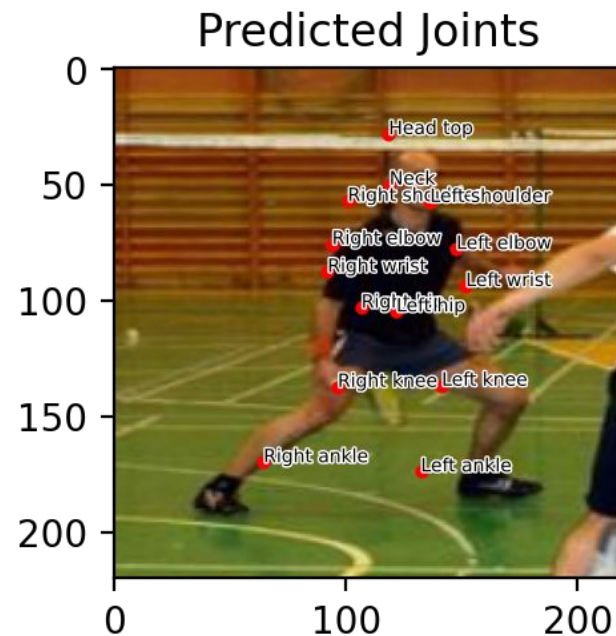
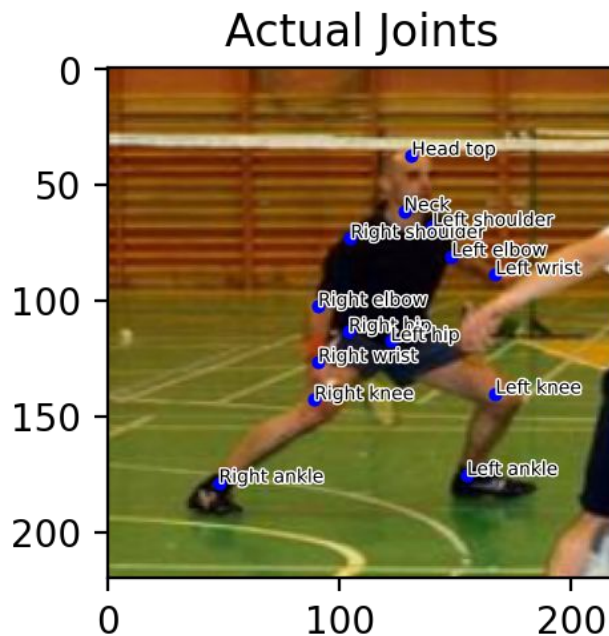
Results

- Trained for 1000 epochs
- Significantly lower testing accuracy compared to training



	Loss	Accuracy
Train	40.4414	0.8240
Test	868.5184	0.4639

Comparing Predicted pose vs Actual





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