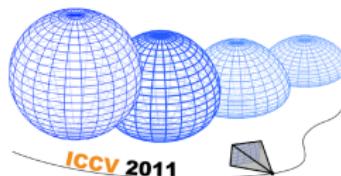


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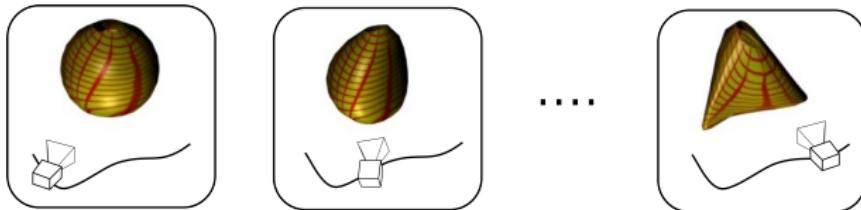
# ICCV 2011 Tutorial: Non-Rigid Structure from Motion

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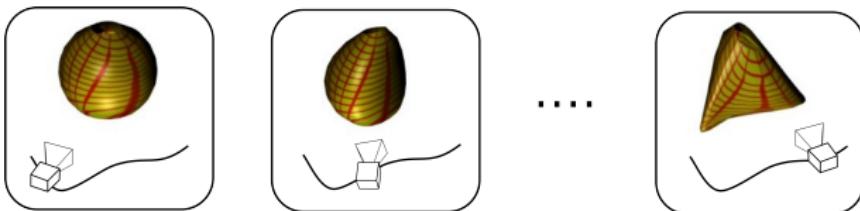
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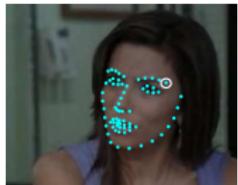
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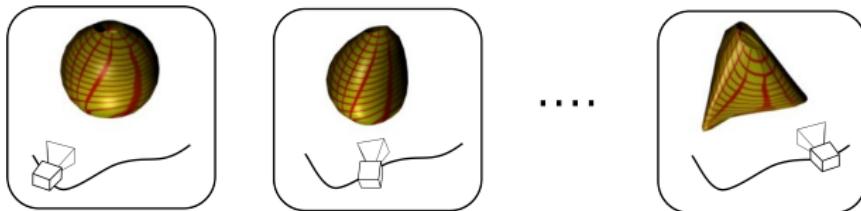
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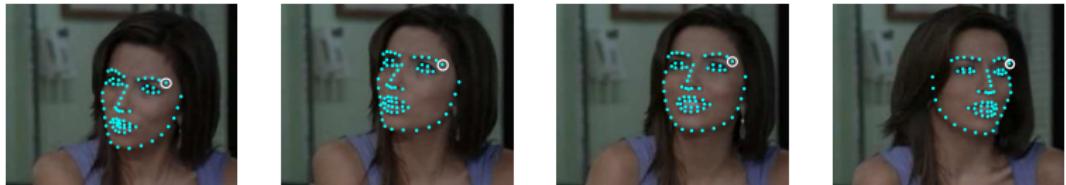
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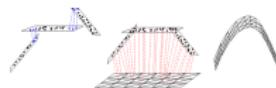
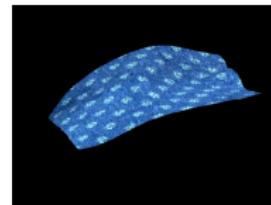
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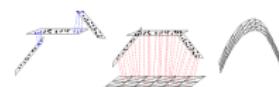
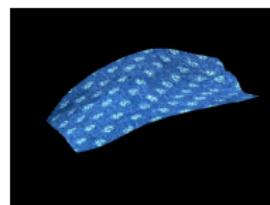
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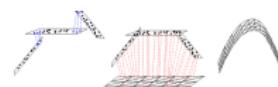
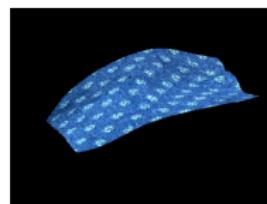
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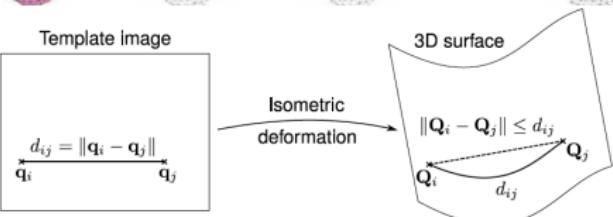
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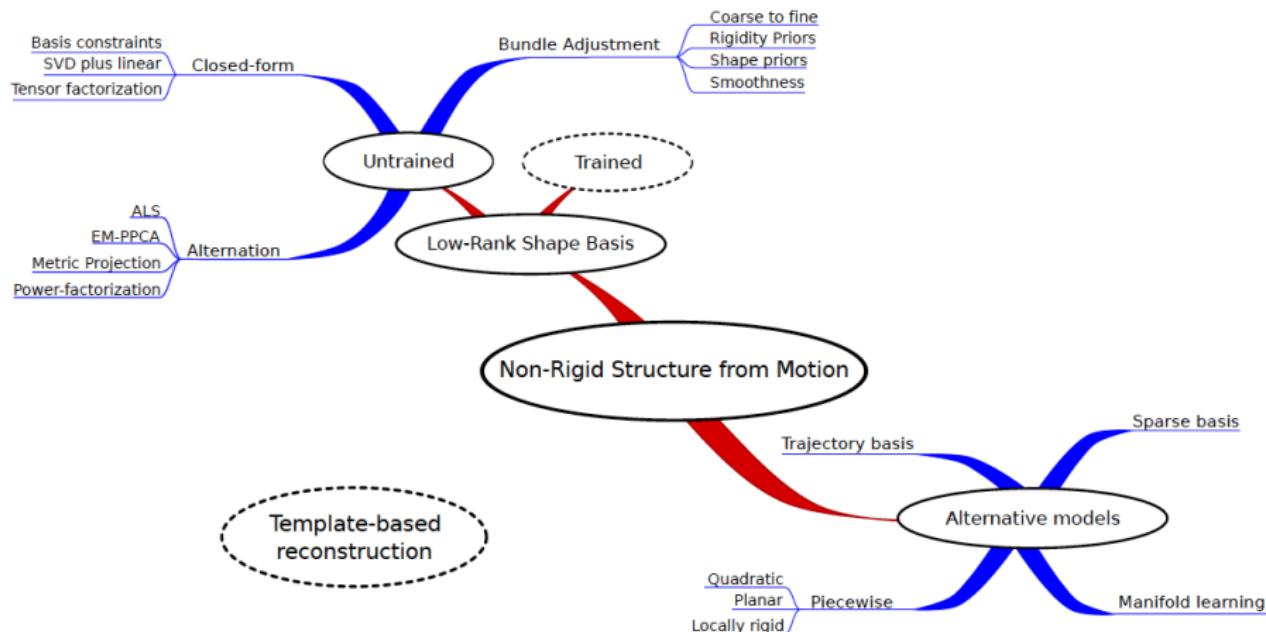
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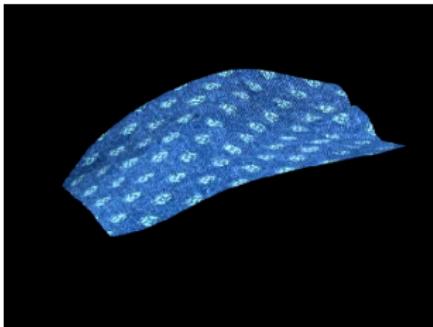
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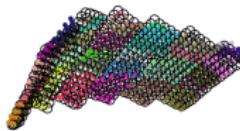
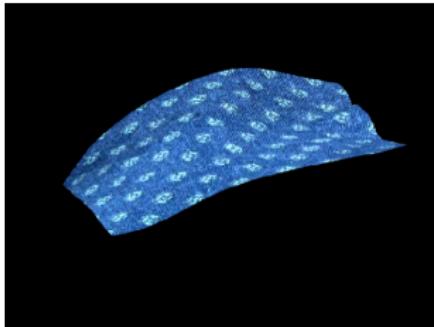
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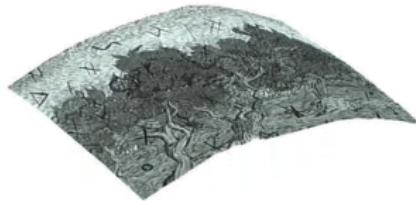


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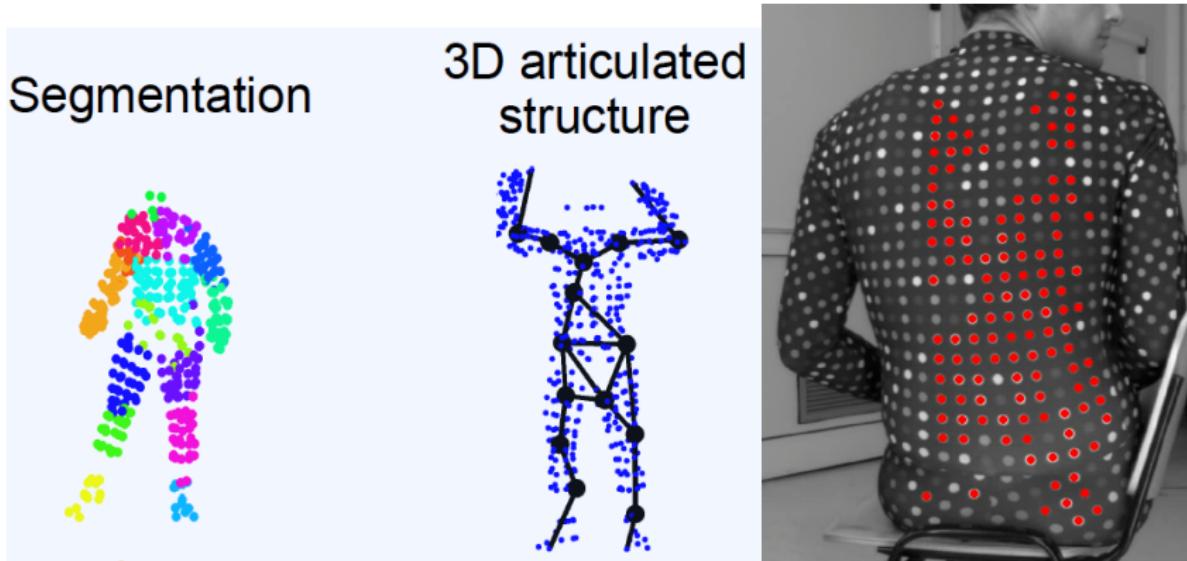


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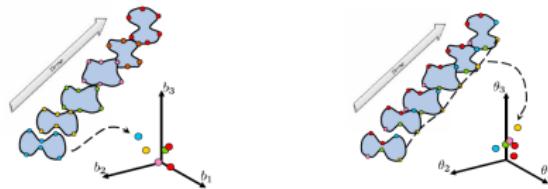
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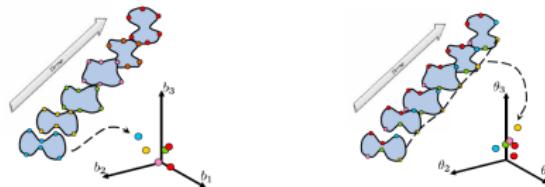
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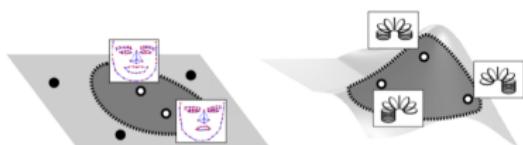
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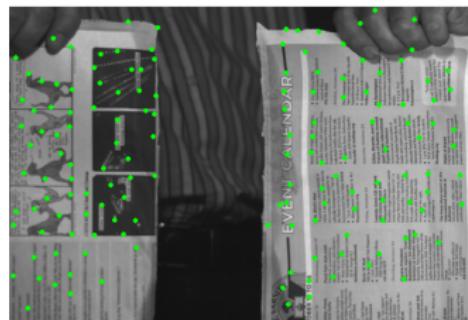
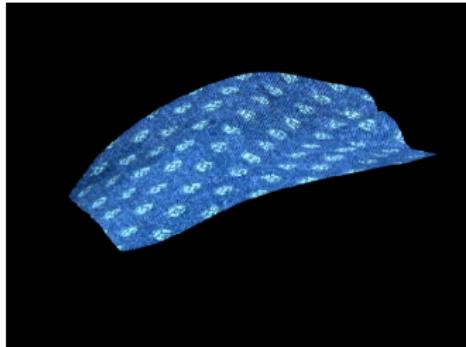
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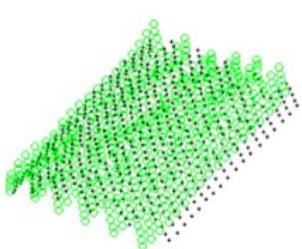


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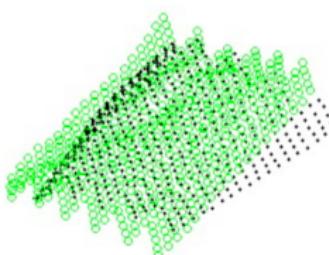
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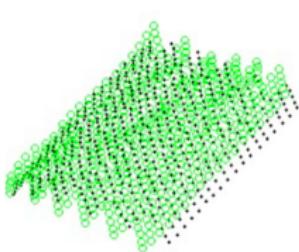
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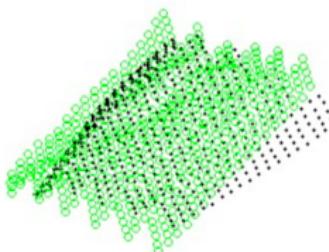
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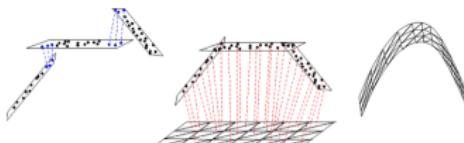
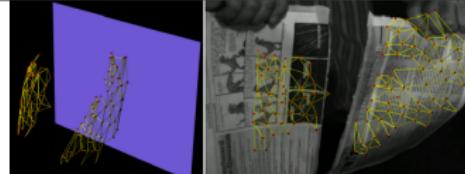
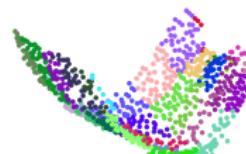
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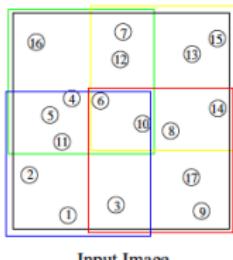
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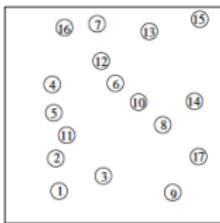
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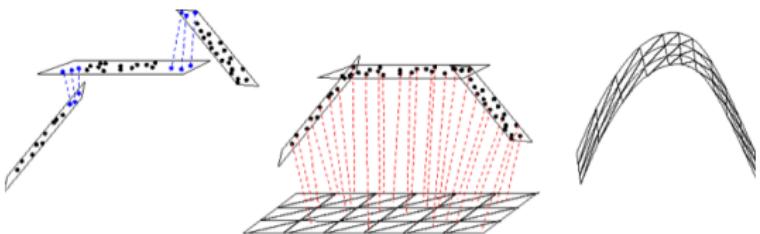
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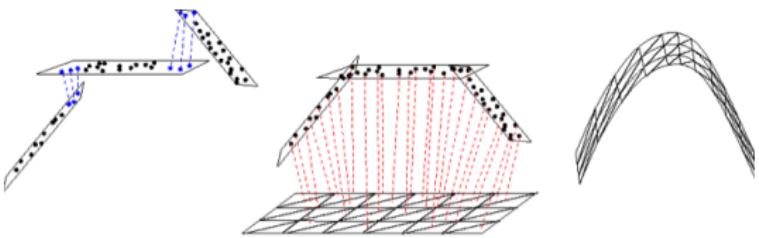
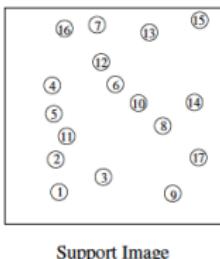
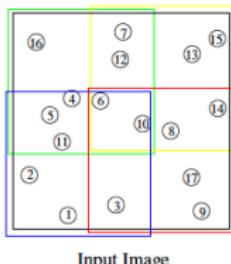


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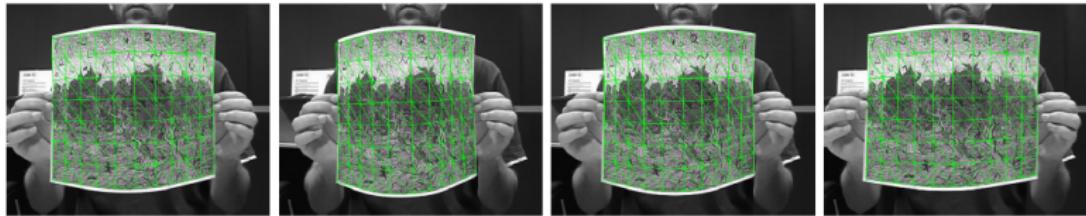
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1. The first image is divided into overlapping patches.
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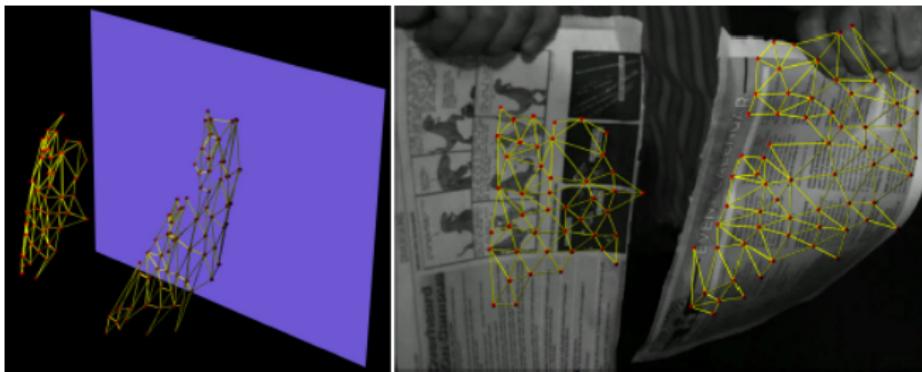
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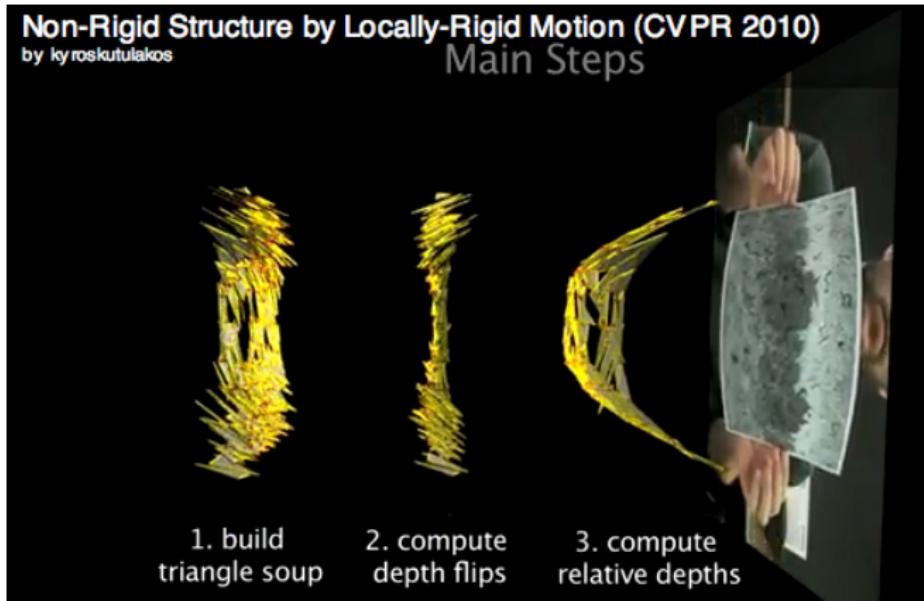
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Input (*Paper [37]*),  $n = 1, \epsilon^* = 0.4$

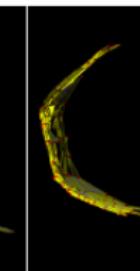
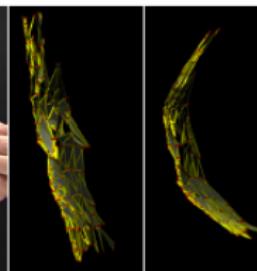


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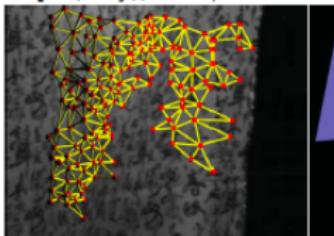
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$n = 60$  (out of 71)



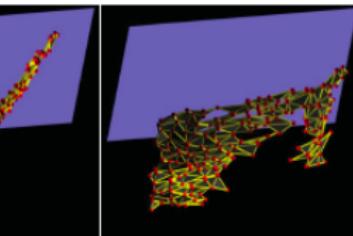
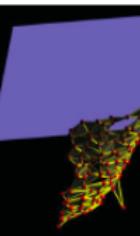
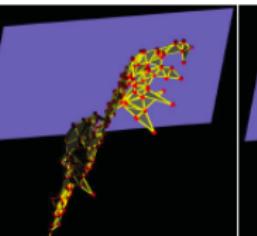
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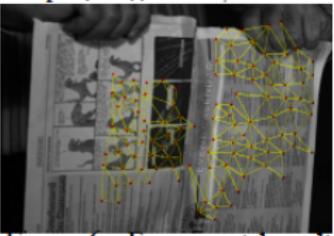
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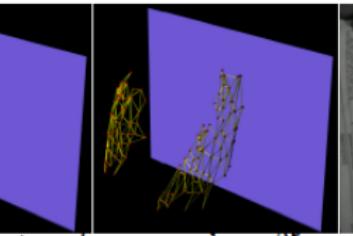
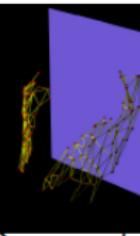
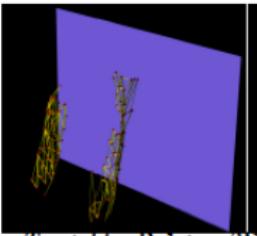
Input (*Tear*),  $n = 29, \epsilon^* = 0.8$



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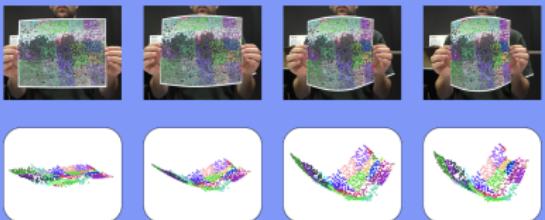
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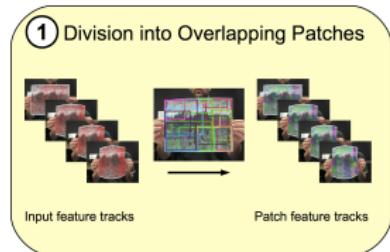
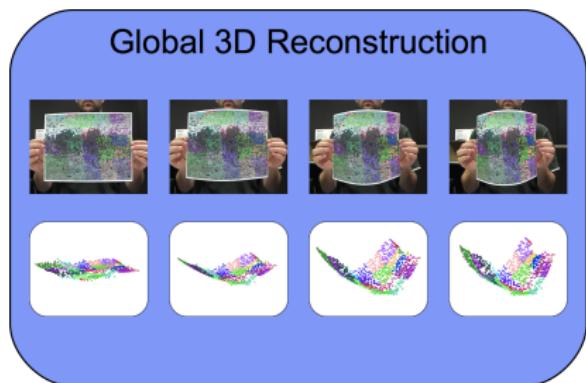
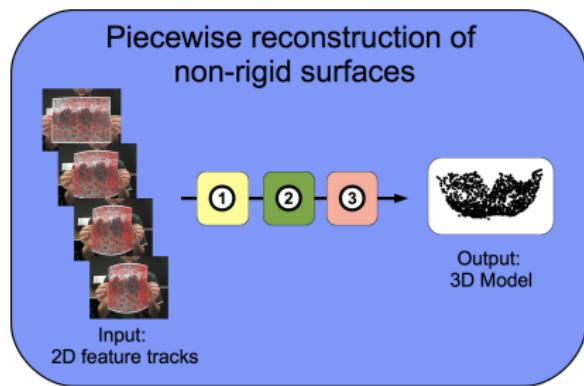
Input:  
2D feature tracks

Global 3D Reconstruction



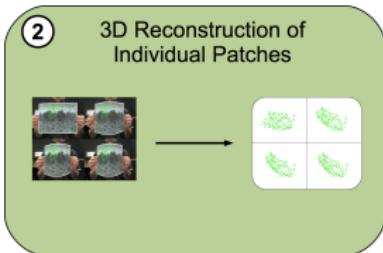
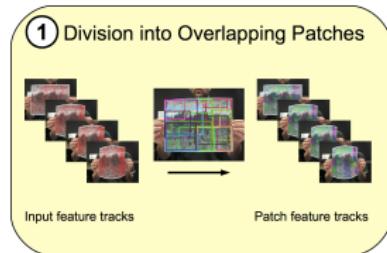
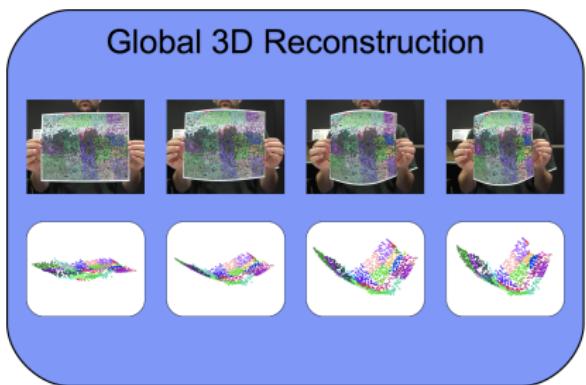
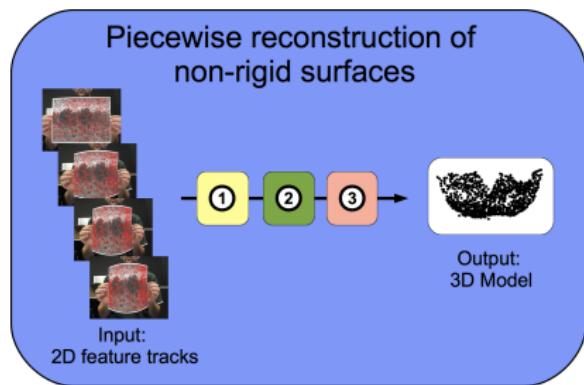
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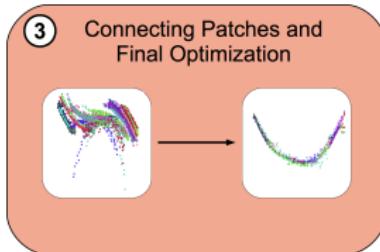
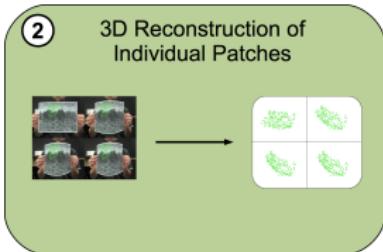
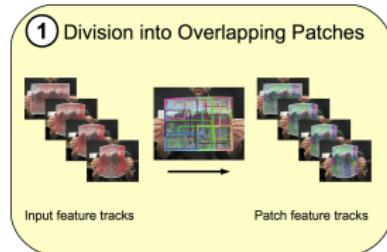
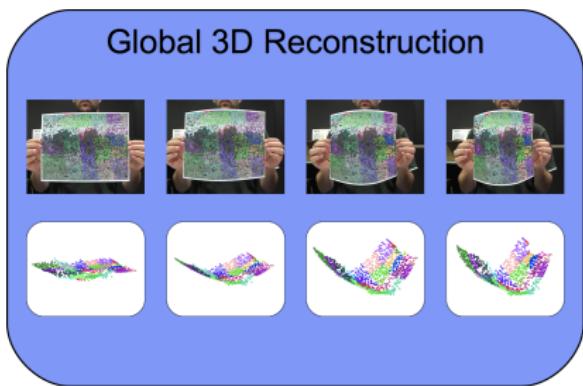
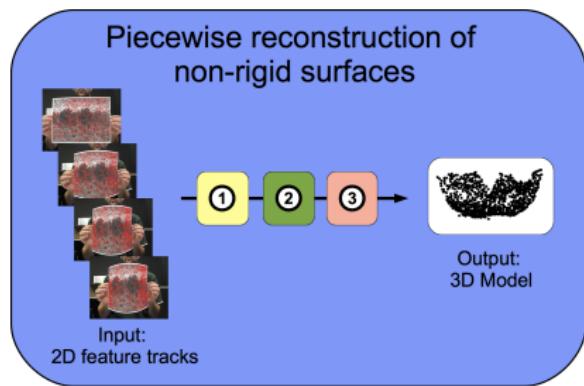
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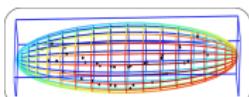


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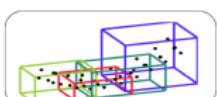
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3. No a priori knowledge.

Fit an ellipsoid to data.



Ellipse and corresponding bounding box



Division into 4 overlapping patches

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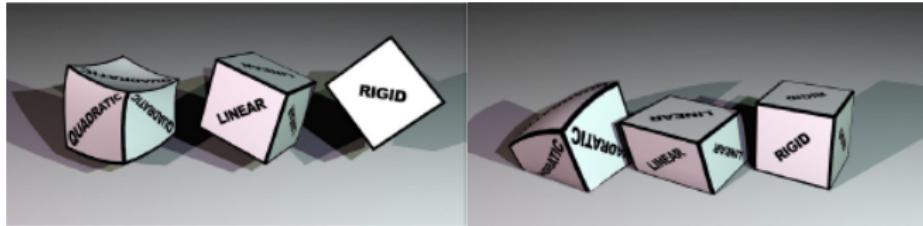
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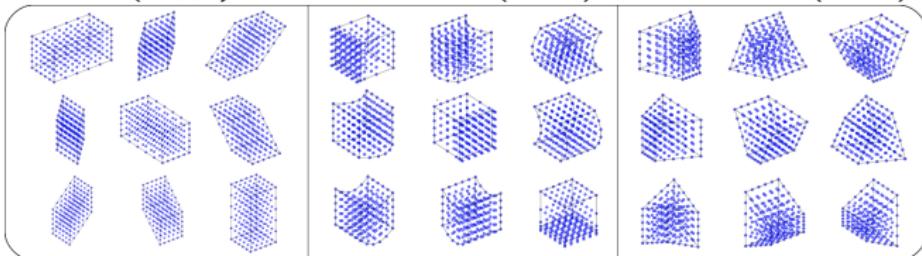
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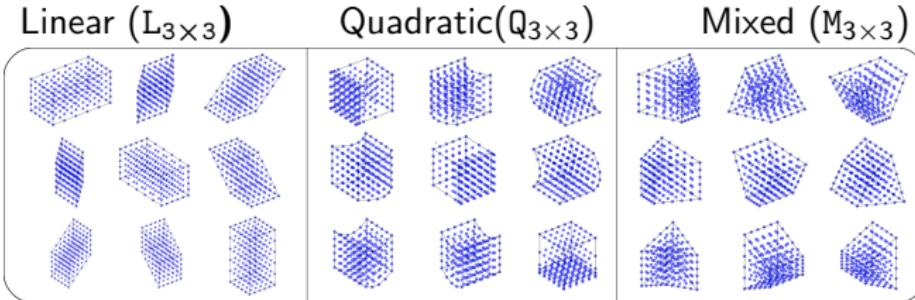
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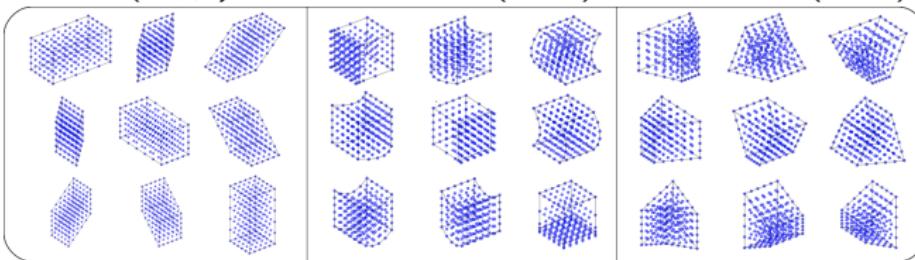
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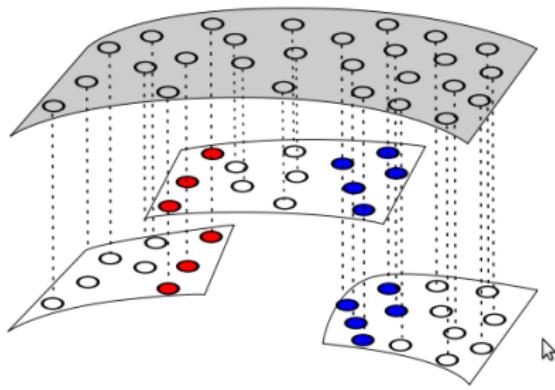
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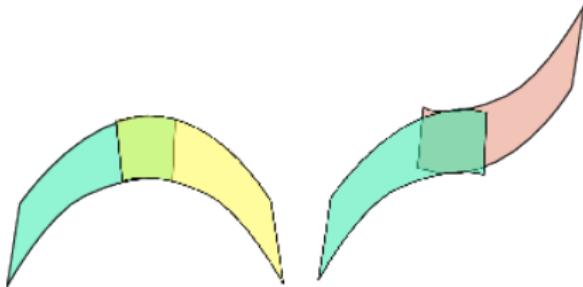
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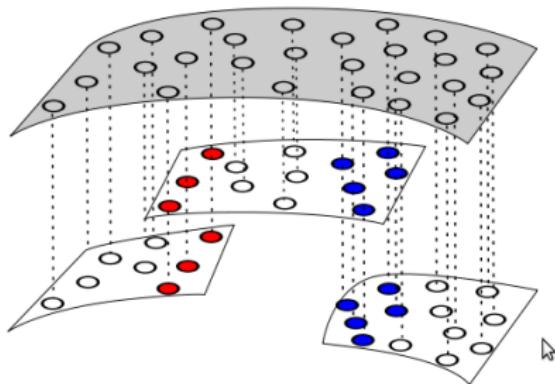
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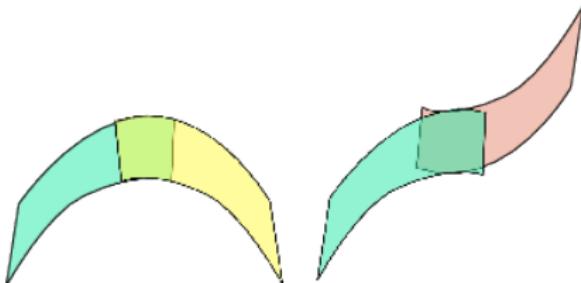
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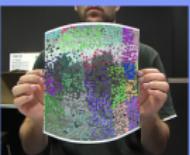
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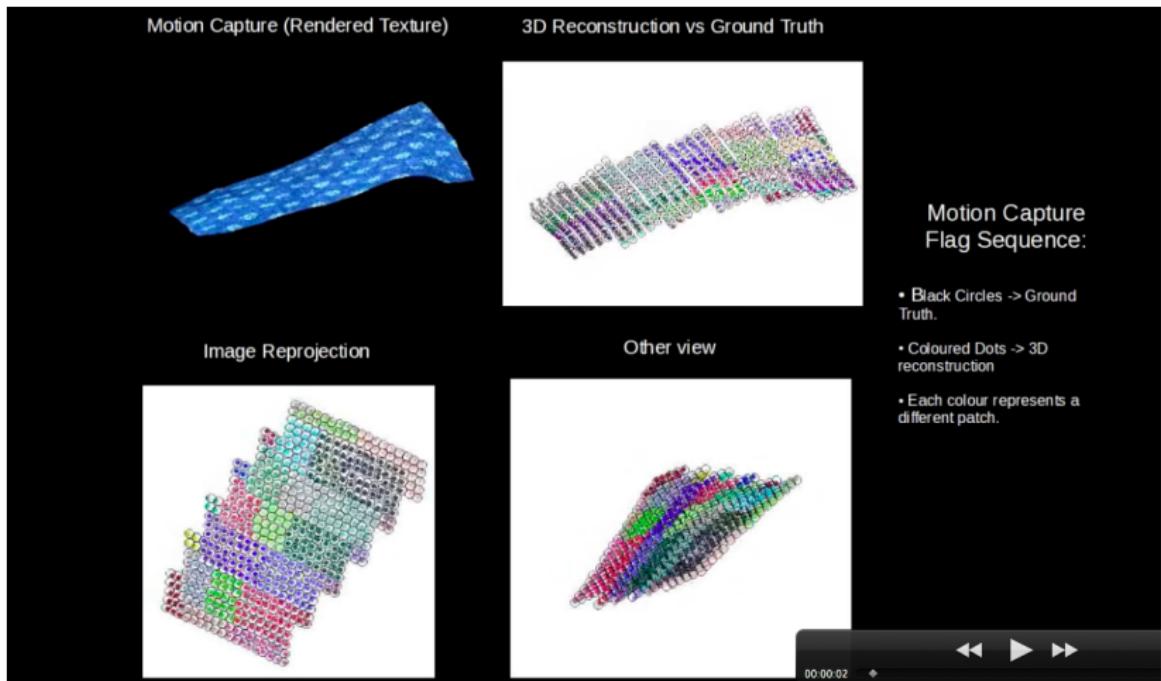
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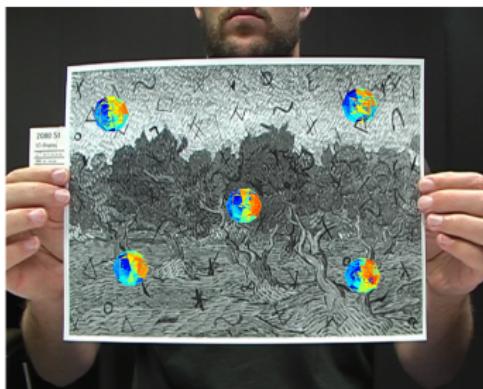
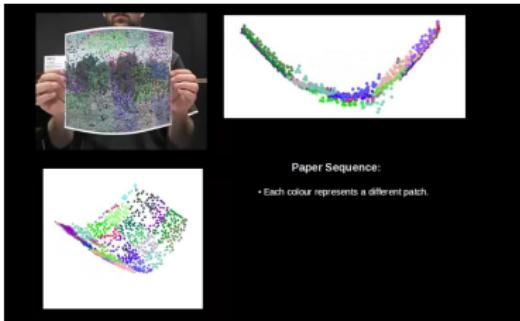
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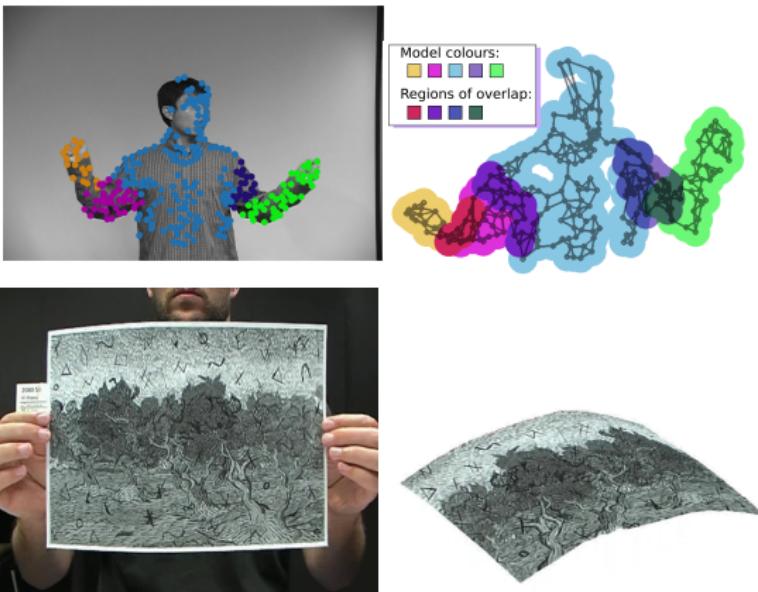


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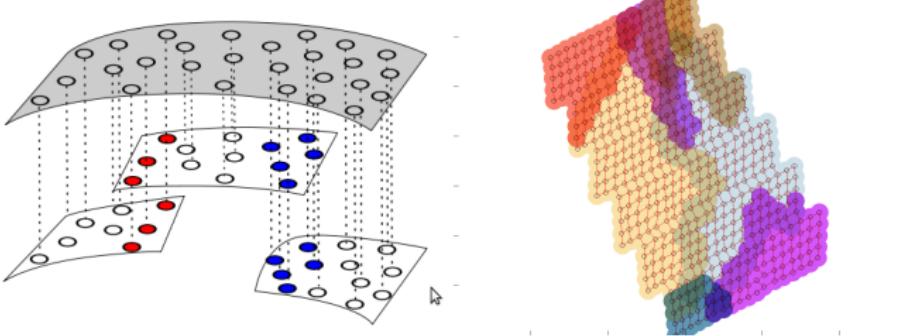
# A new approach to 3d reconstruction

(Russell-Fayad-Agapito CVPR'11), (Fayad-Russell-Agapito ICCV'11)

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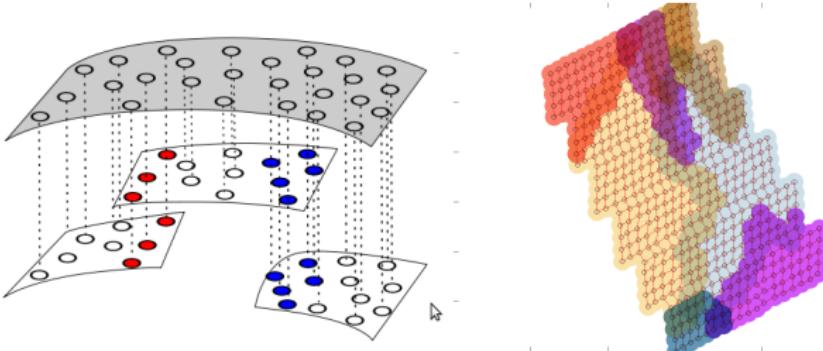


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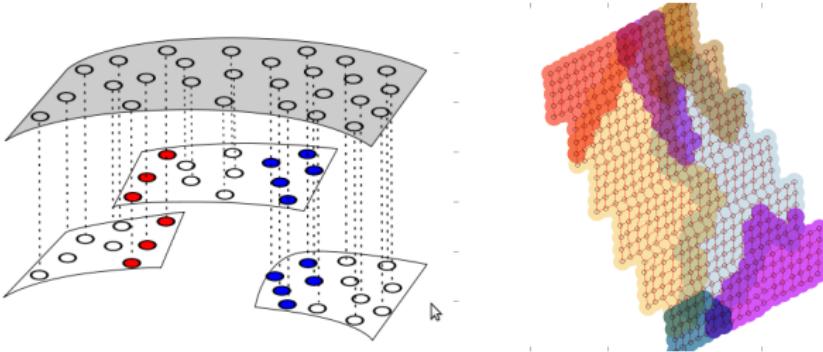
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- A set of initial models is proposed by fitting the quadratic model to K-nearest neighbours of each point.
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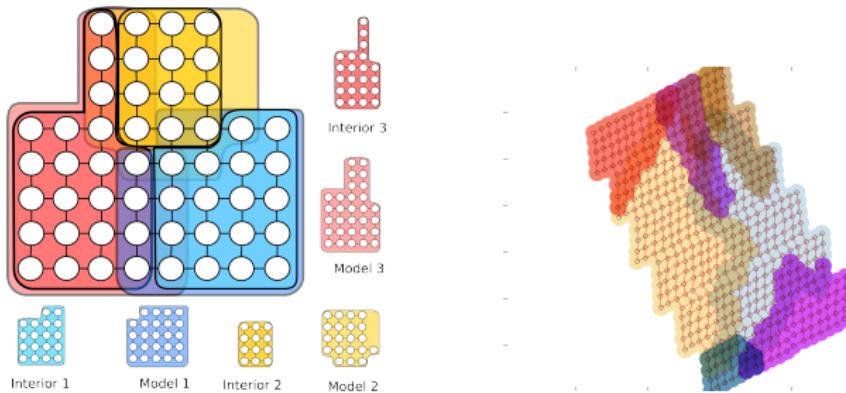
- The problem of 3D reconstruction of deformable surfaces is re-formulated as a labelling problem.
- The labels represent the parameters of a model that must be fitted to the data.
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- Minimize **geometric model fitting cost**, subject to a spatial constraint: neighbouring points should belong to the same model.

$$C(\mathbf{m}) = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \left( \sum_{\bigcup_{q \in \mathcal{N}_p} \{\alpha : q \in I_\alpha\}} U_p(\alpha) \right).$$

- We provide a joint optimization of the assignment of points to models and the fitting of models to points.

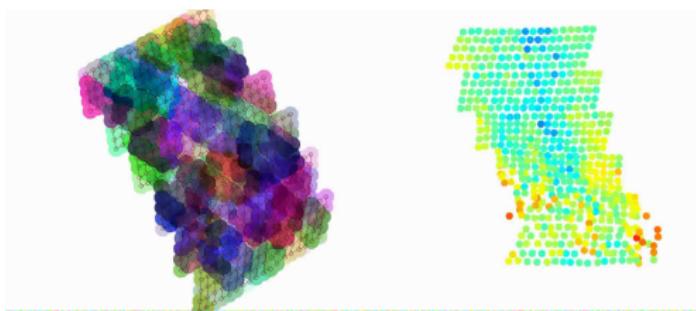
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- Piecewise methods require overlapping points between patches.



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- Key idea:** Every point must be an interior point of at least 1 model

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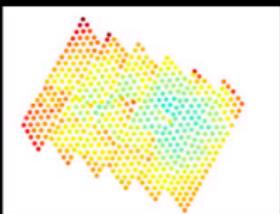


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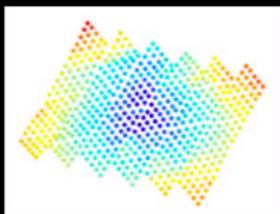
- We introduce a robustness term to cope with outliers.
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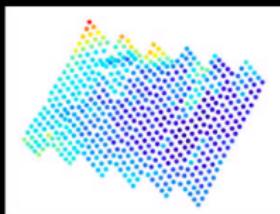
- Heat Map encodes the average 3D error per point over the 450 frame sequence.
- Motion Capture Data was used as ground truth..



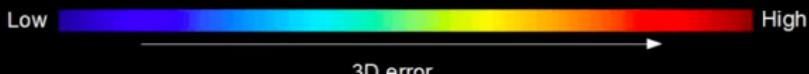
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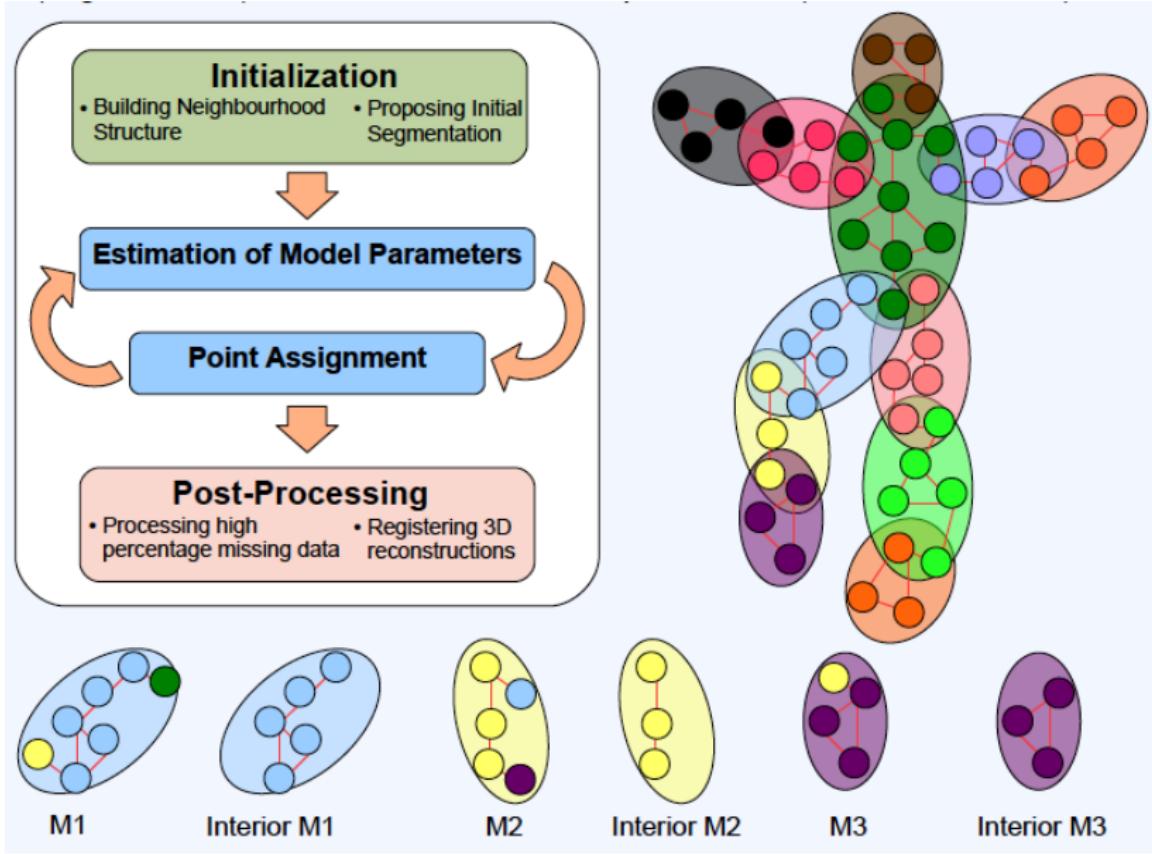
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# Articulated Motion (ICCV '11)



Articulated motion is piecewise rigid motion.  
Areas of overlap are joints.

# Method

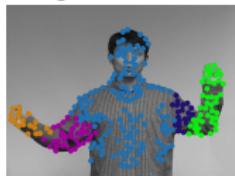


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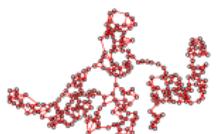
- Simultaneous segmentation into body parts and 3D reconstruction.
- Decomposing the points into rigid pieces, allows us to use pre-existing robust methods.
- (*Marques and Costeira. Estimating 3D shape from degenerate sequences with missing data. 2008*) to reconstruct partial tracks.
- We create a skeleton by 'joining up' the joint centres
- Come and see our poster on Thursday!

# Dance sequence

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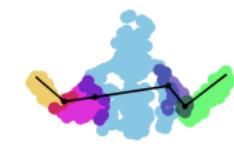
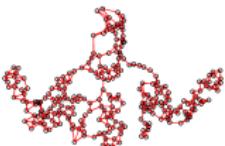
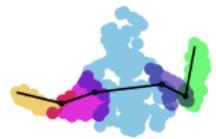
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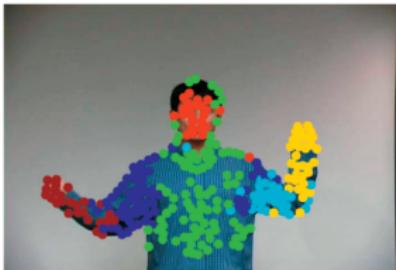
Reconstruction



Skeleton



'Dance' data-set Yan, Pollefeys (IJCV '08).



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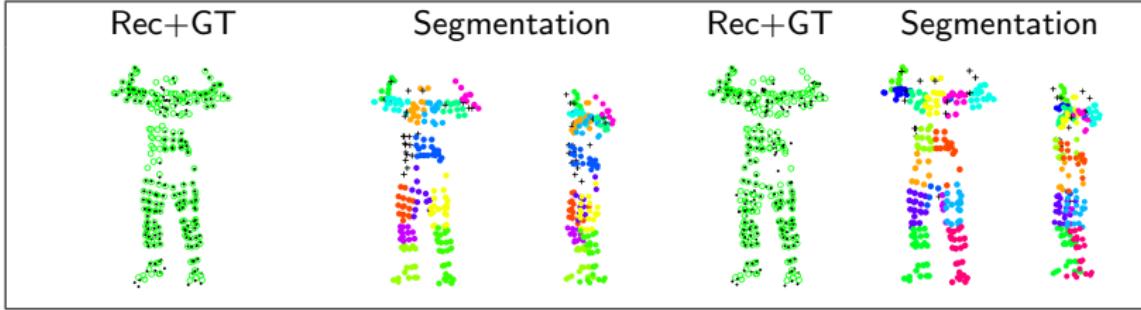
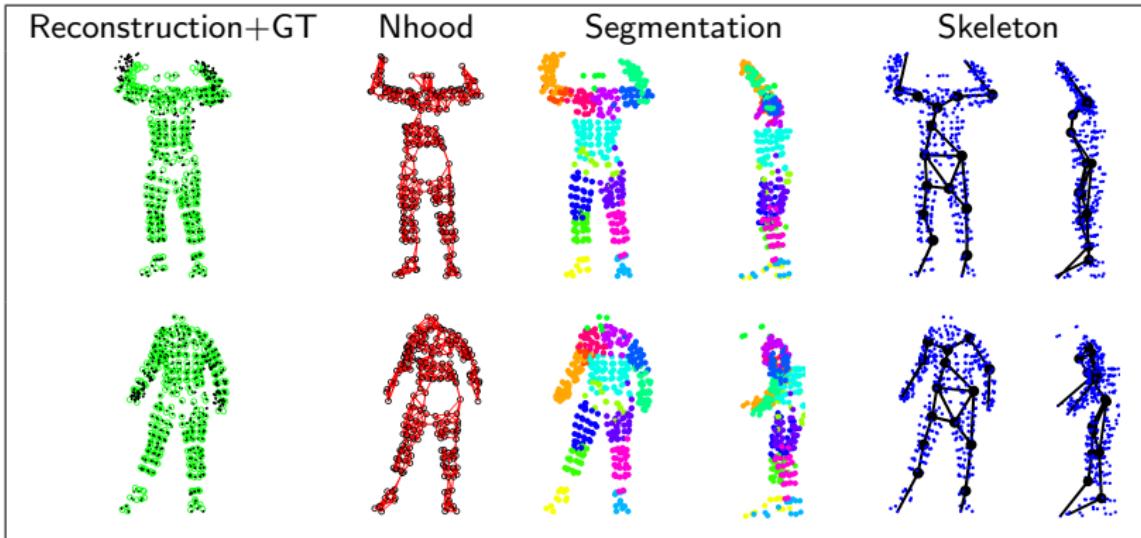
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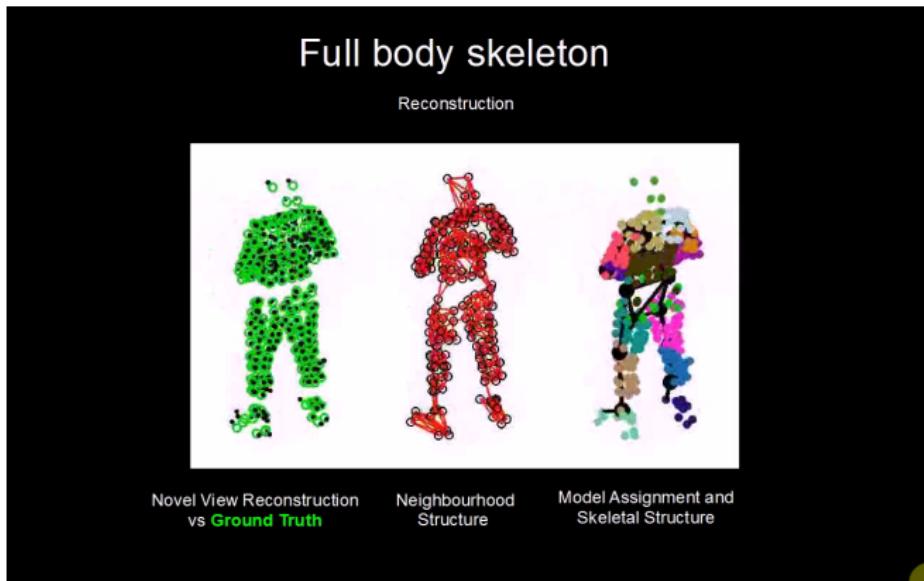
We individually reconstruct and manually aligned each segment with the ground truth

Reconstructions on this has 7.13% error

Ransac to discard outliers leaves 195 tracks

5.09% error.

# Video



# Conclusion

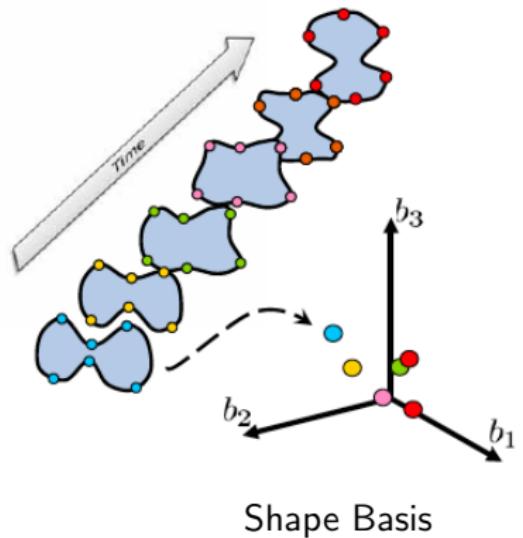
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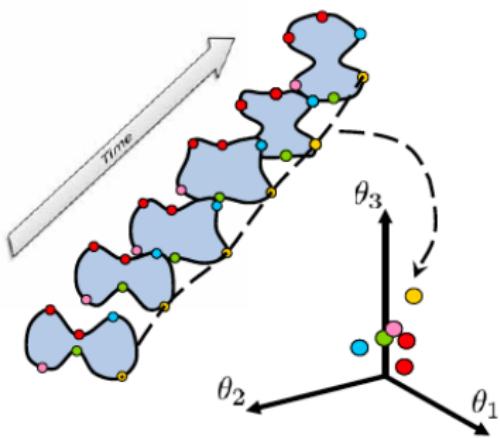
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- Smooth Time Shape Trajectory.

# Trajectory Space

(Akhter et al. NIPS'08)



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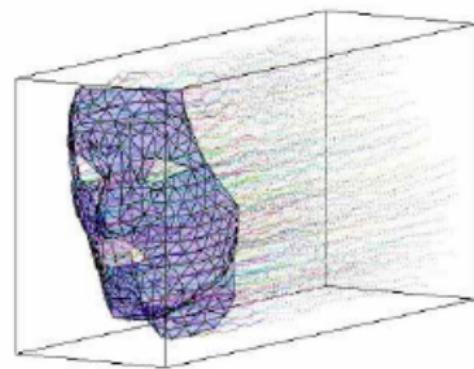
Trajectory basis

- **Shape Basis:** The 3D shape at each time instant lies in a low dimensional space.
- **Trajectory Basis:** Trajectory of each point over time lies in a low dimensional space.

# Trajectory Space

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Shape space



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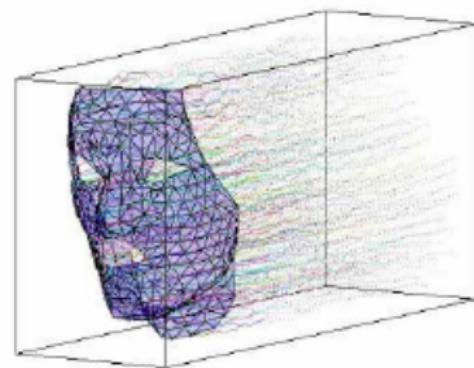
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# Trajectory Space

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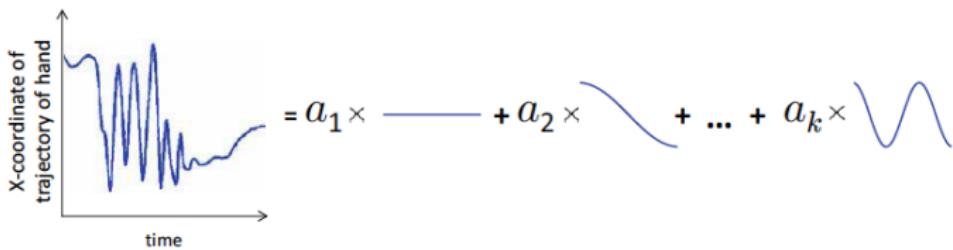
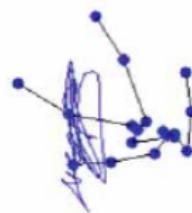
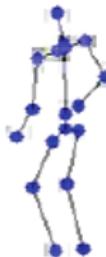


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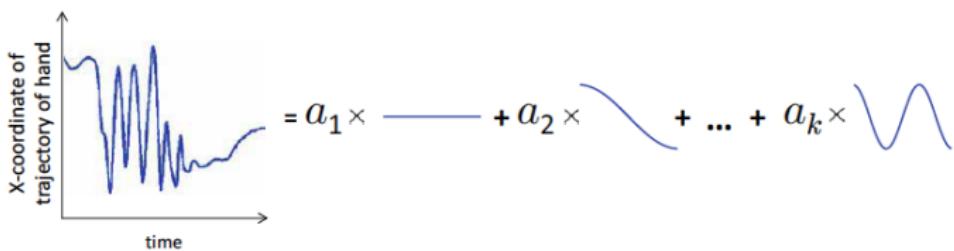
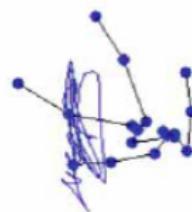
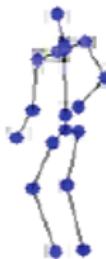
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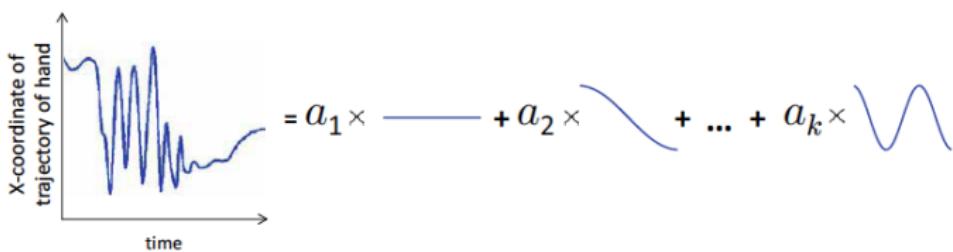
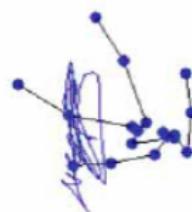
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## DCT basis



# Linear Trajectory Model

## DYNAMIC STRUCTURE

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_{1j} \\ X_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ X_{Fj} \end{bmatrix} = a_{j1}^X \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1^1 \\ \theta_2^1 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_F^1 \end{bmatrix} + a_{j2}^X \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1^2 \\ \theta_2^2 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_F^2 \end{bmatrix} + \dots + a_{jK}^X \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1^K \\ \theta_2^K \\ \vdots \\ \theta_F^K \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\mathbf{S}^X = \boldsymbol{\Theta}^X \times \mathbf{A}^X$$

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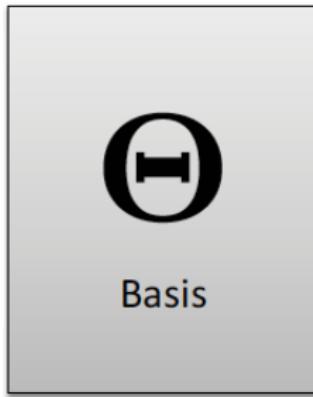
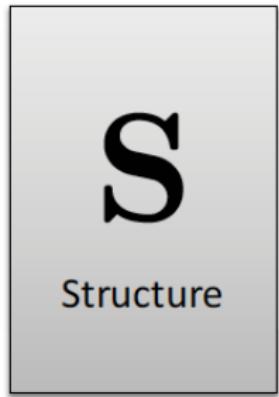
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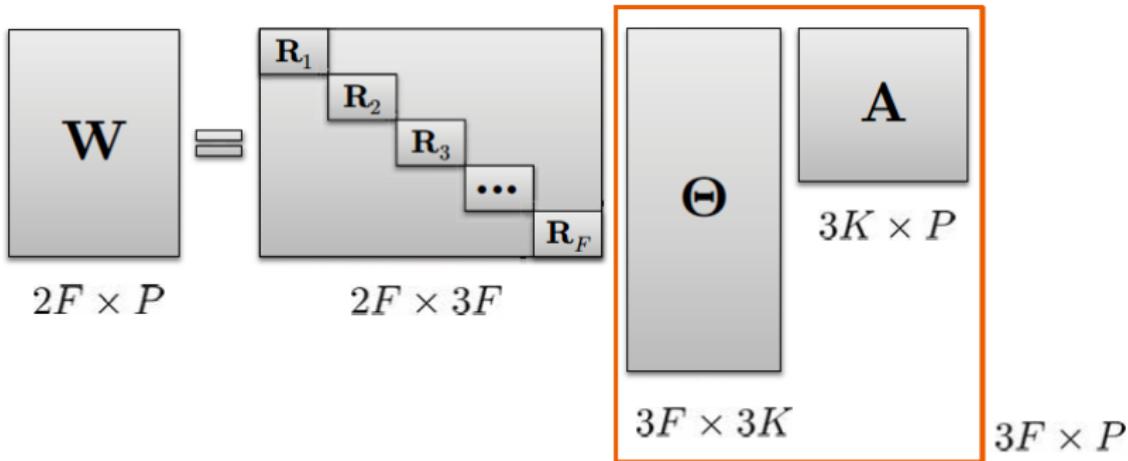
- Advantage: The DCT basis is known in advance.

 $3F \times P$  $3F \times 3K$  $3K \times P$ 

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- Projection with an orthographic camera.

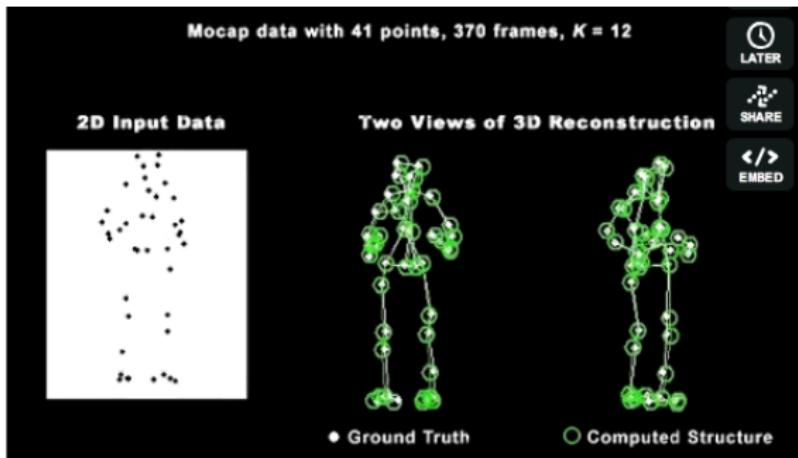


Structure  $\mathbf{S}$ , in trajectory  
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- Two steps: SVD (rank 3K), compute corrective transformation Q.

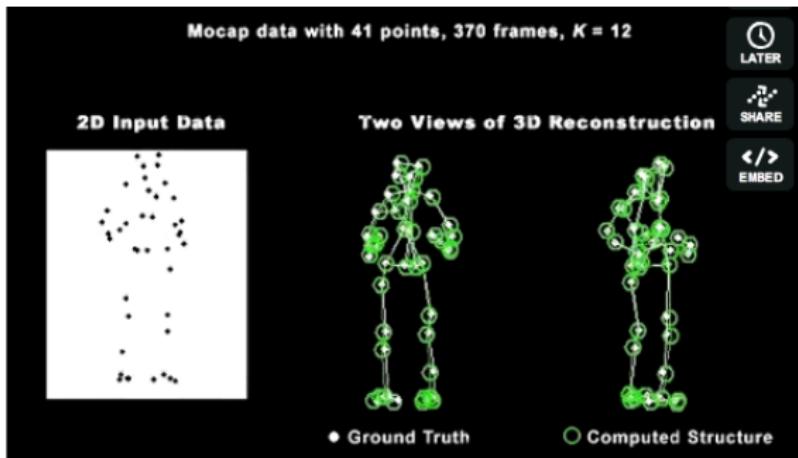
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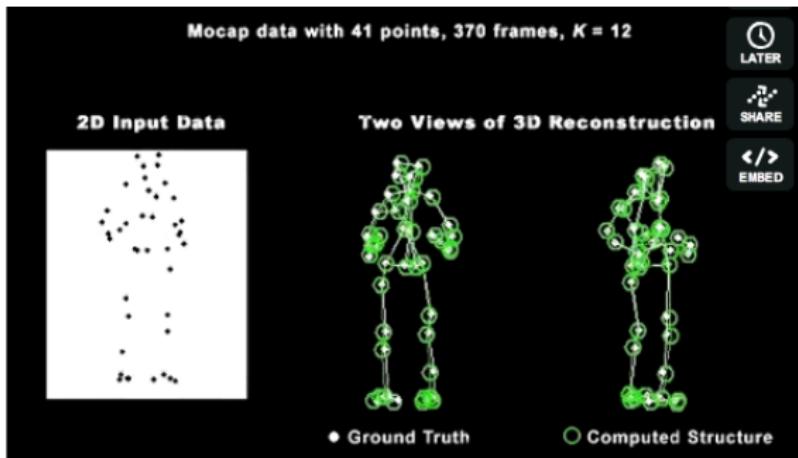
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## Dance Sequence



# Experimental Results

## Stretch Sequence



# Conclusions

- Advantages of trajectory space: the DCT basis is pre-determined.
- Metric upgrade is simpler than in the shape basis case.
- Disadvantages: large rotations are needed to achieve reconstructions.
- Spatial smoothness is not imposed.

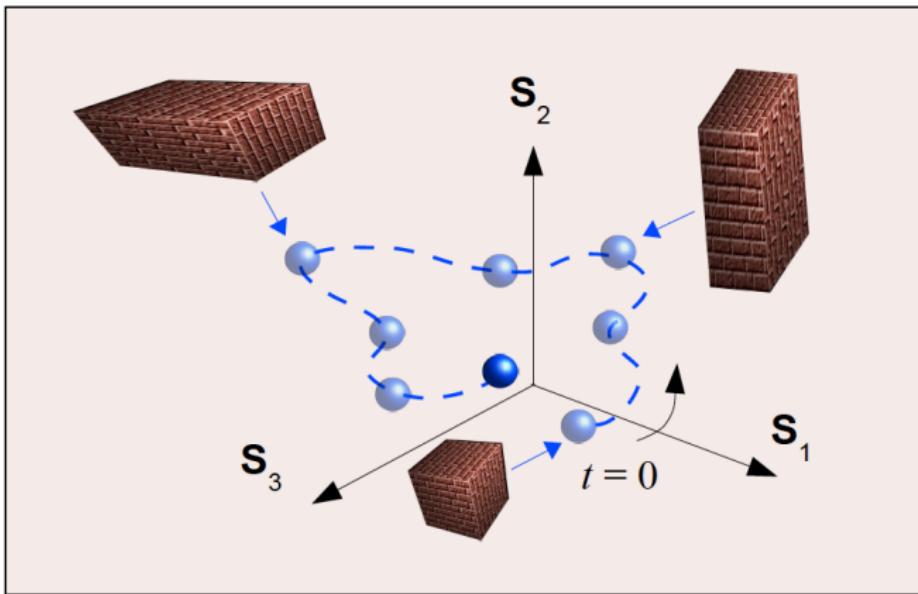
# Roadmap

- Piecewise Approaches to NRSfM.
- Trajectory Space.
- **Smooth Shape Time-Trajectories.**

# Smooth shape time-trajectory

(Gotardo Martinez PAMI'11, CVPR'11)

- Objects deform smoothly throughout a sequence.
- The shape in each frame is a single K-dim point in shape space.
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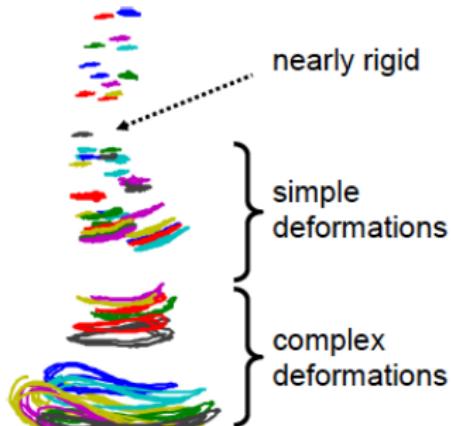
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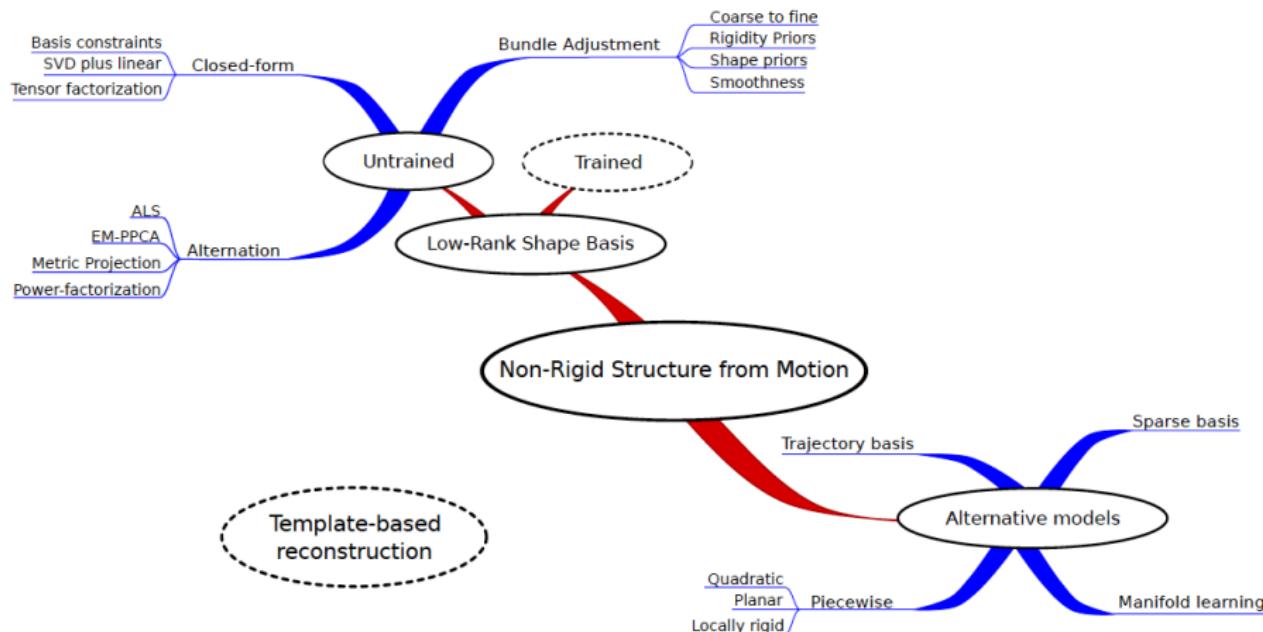
- Variant: Deformation modes  $S_k$  are estimated in a coarse-to-fine approach.
- Basis shapes are PCA-like deformations of decreasing importance.



# Smooth shape time-trajectory: Results

Dataset	EM-PPCA	MP	PTA	CSF1	CSF2
Drink	0.3393	0.4604	<b>0.0250</b>	<b>0.0223</b>	<b>0.0223</b>
Stretch	1.1111	0.8549	0.1088	<b>0.0710</b>	<b>0.0684</b>
Pick-up	0.5822	0.4332	<b>0.2369</b>	<b>0.2301</b>	<b>0.2277</b>
Yoga	0.8097	0.8039	0.1625	<b>0.1467</b>	<b>0.1465</b>
Dance	0.9839	0.2639	0.2958	0.2705	<b>0.1942</b>
Walking	0.4917	0.5607	0.3954	0.1863	<b>0.1041</b>
Face1	<b>0.0434</b>	0.0734	0.1247	0.0637	<b>0.0526</b>
Face2	<b>0.0329</b>	<b>0.0357</b>	0.0444	<b>0.0363</b>	<b>0.0312</b>
Shark1	0.0501	0.1571	0.1796	<b>0.0081</b>	0.0437
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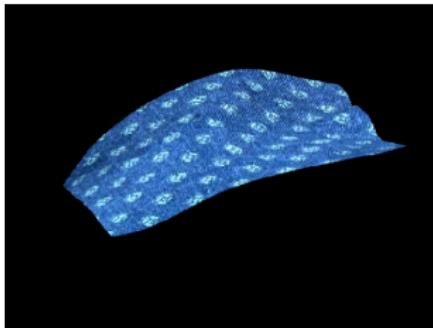
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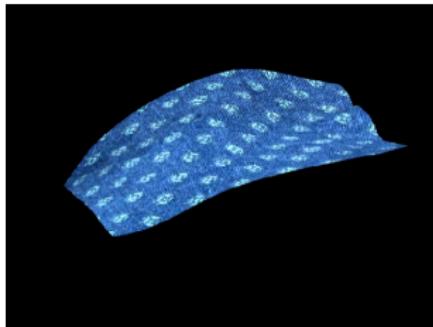
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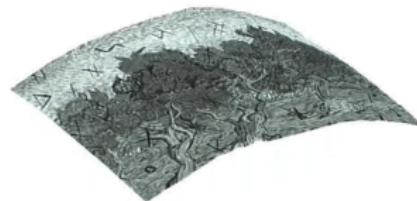


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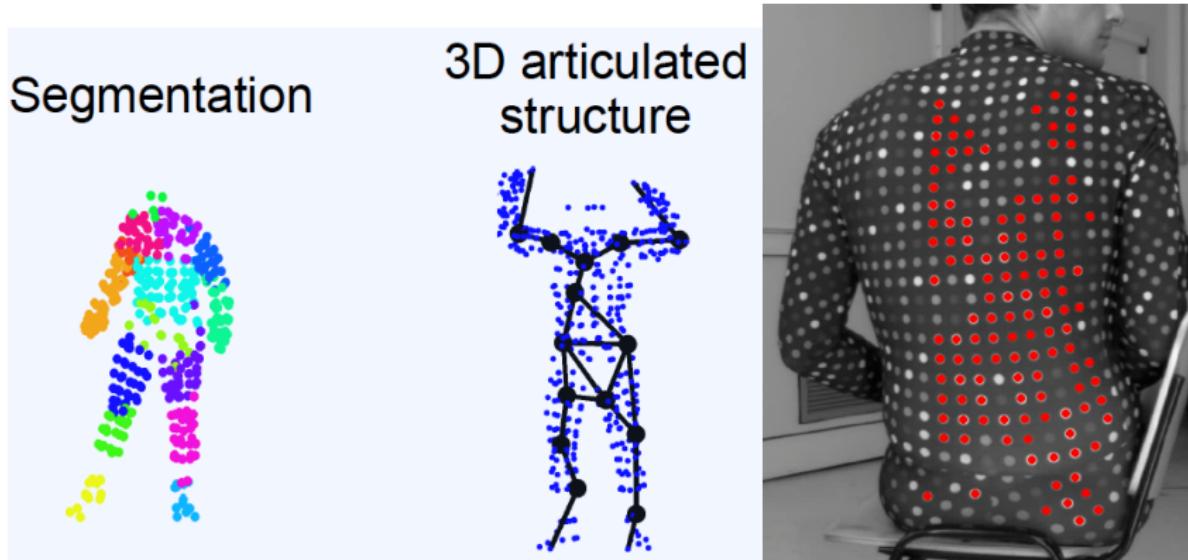


- Dense: Optical Flow/ 3D Modelling



# Current Challenges II

- Human Motion Modelling



## Conclusions: My to do list

- Unified approach: 3D shape estimation directly from pixel intensity information. Simultaneous 2D registration + segmentation + 3D reconstruction.
- Robustify approaches: Dealing with more than one object, occlusions, changes in lighting...
- Real time?