

2D HAND POSE ESTIMATION

USING U-NET LIKE ARCHITECTURE



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INTRODUCTION

Passive sensing of human hand and limb motion is important for a wide range of applications from human-computer interaction to athletic performance measurement. Human hand pose estimation is a long standing problem in the computer vision and graphics research fields, with a plethora of applications such as:

- machine control,
- augmented and virtual reality.

PROBLEMS

Properties such as:

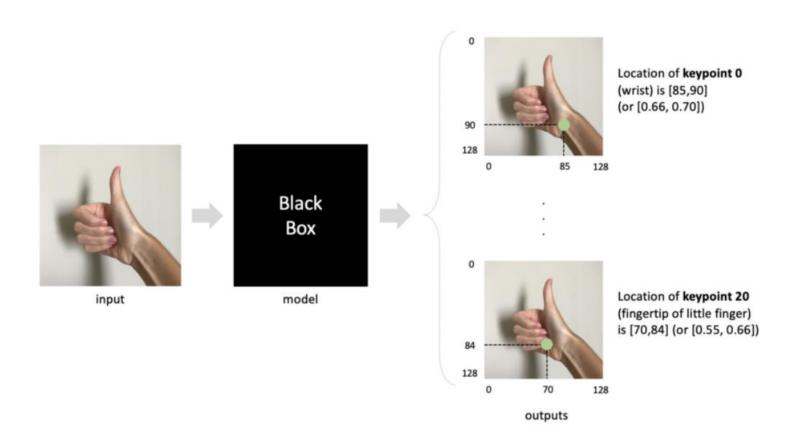
- the hand's morphology,
- o occlusions due to interaction with objects,
- o appearance diversity due to clothing and jewelry,
- varying lightning conditions and
- different backgrounds,

add extra burden to the nature of the problem.

WHAT EXACTLY ARE WE ESTIMATING IN THE HAND POSE ESTIMATION?

WHAT ABOUT THE SECOND HAND?

A TYPICAL 2D HAND POSE ESTIMATOR LOOKS SOMETHING LIKE THIS:



DATASET DESCRIPTION -A









FreiHAND Dataset: It consists of 130240 images (of the right hand) of dimensions 224*224*3.

I have worked with the **first 32560 images**. Other images in the dataset are exactly the same as raw ones but with background augmentation.

DATASET SPLIT:

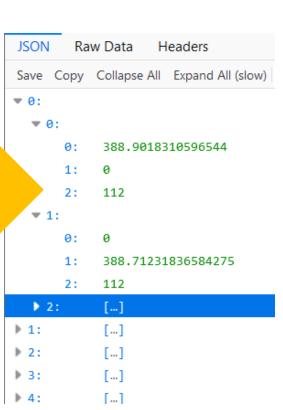
Train Set: 0-25999 (80%)

Val. Set: 26000-30999 (15%)

Test Set: 30000-32560 (5%)

"training_K.json":

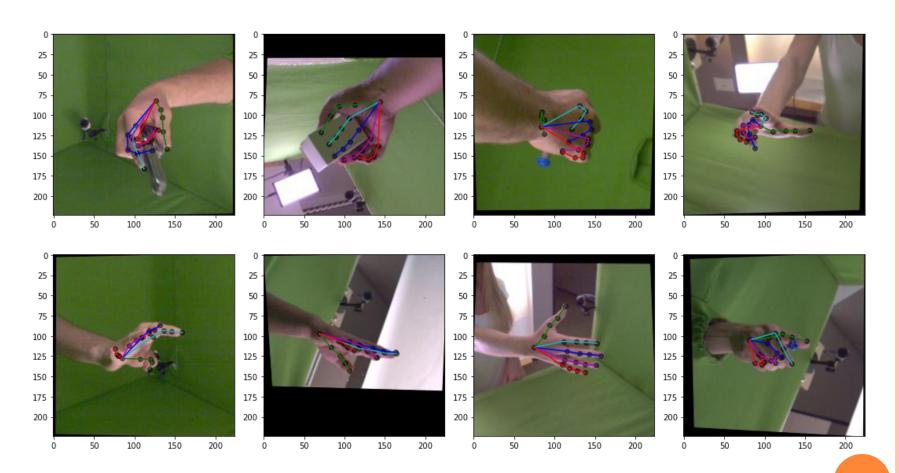
Array of Camera Intrinsic Matrix for 32560 images

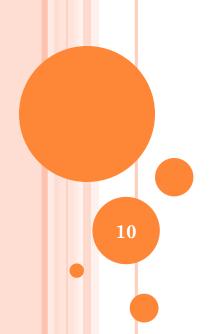


"training_xyz.json": Array of annotations of 21 keypoints for 32560 images

```
Raw Data
JSON
                      Headers
Save Copy Collapse All Expand All (slow)
▼ 0:
  ▼ 0:
       0:
              0.029402047395706177
              -0.027920207008719444
             0.5870807766914368
  1:
              [...]
             [...]
  2:
  ▶ 3:
             [...]
             [...]
  4:
  ▶ 5:
              [...]
  ▶ 6:
              [...]
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  ▶ 18:
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  ▶ 19:
  ▼ 20:
              -0.06662826985120773
       1:
              0.07311560213565826
             0.6494264602661133
▶ 1:
             [...]
             [...]
▶ 2:
▶ 3:
             [...]
```

DATASET VISUALIZATION





EDA

A FEW SAMPLE IMAGES



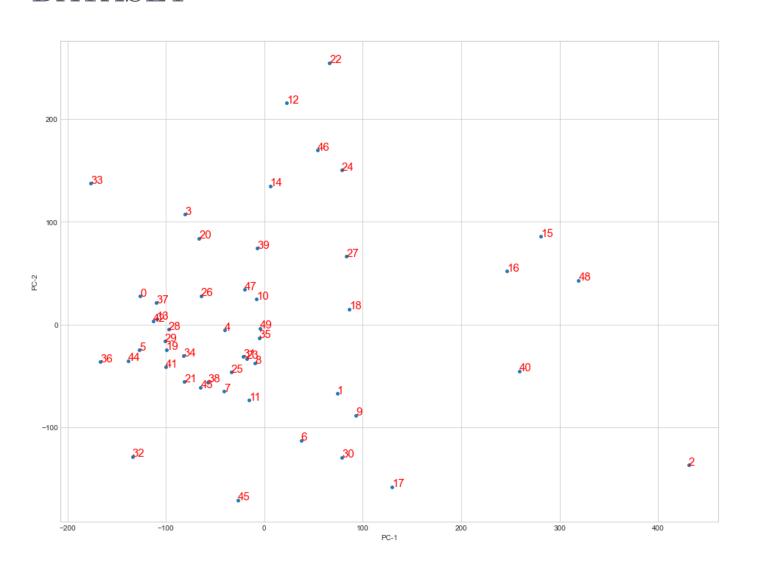






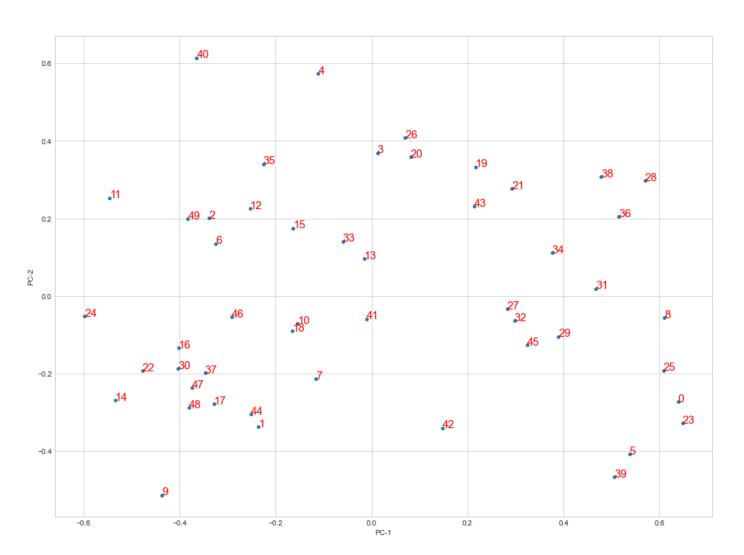


PCA of 50 Sample images from dataset



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PCA of 50 Sample images' keypoints from dataset



TRAINING WORKFLOW







DataLoader Class

- Load several images and their 2D locations
- Preprocess each images
 - Resize to 128x128
 - Min-Max Scale
 - Standard normalize
 - Create heatmaps
- Concatenate images and heatmaps into a single batch







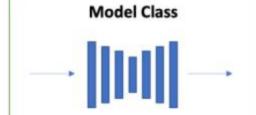
batch_size * 21 * 128 * 128

Trainer Class

Loop over:

- Train step
 - Get batch of train data from dataloader
 - Give to model, get prediction
 - Calculate train loss
 - Take optimization step
- Validation Step
 - Get batch of validation data
 - · Give to model, get predictions
 - Calculate val loss
 - Stop training if val loss does not decrease any more

Batch of images



- Input: images batch_size * 3 *128 * 128
- Output: heatmaps batch_size * 21 * 128 * 128

Model predictions (heatmaps)

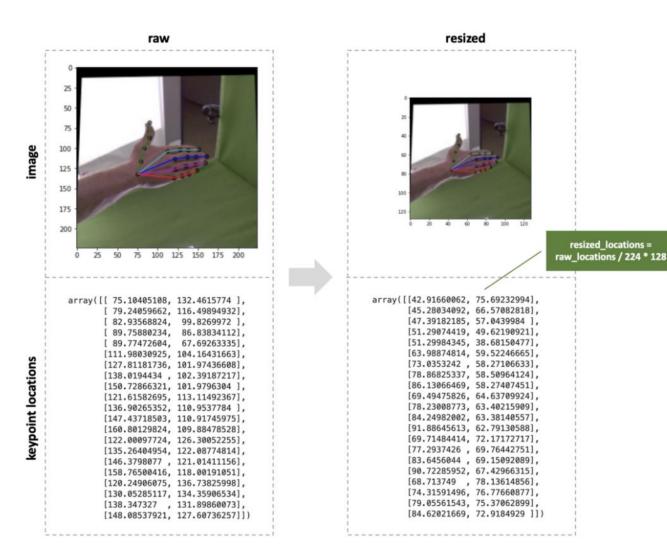
Batch of data

CALCULATION OF 2D LOCATIONS OF 21 KEYPOINTS FROM GIVEN 3D LOCATIONS

Code Snippet:

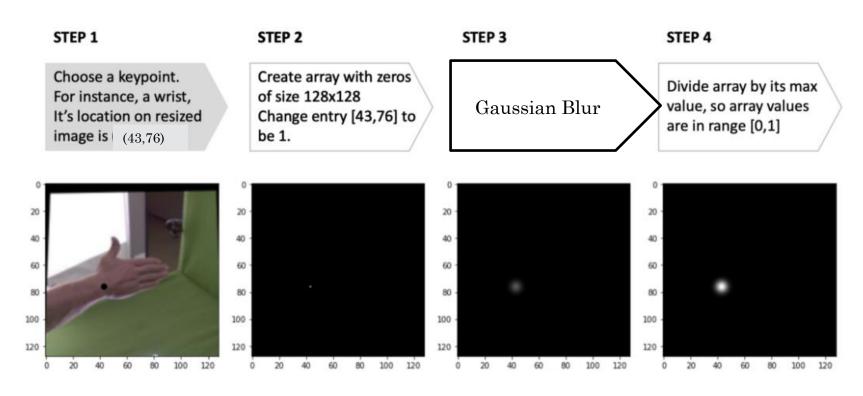
```
def projectPoints(xyz, K):
    xyz = np.array(xyz)
    K = np.array(K)
    uv = np.matmul(K, xyz.T).T
    return uv[:, :2] / uv[:, -1:]
```

WHEN RESIZING AN IMAGE, KEYPOINT LOCATIONS SHOULD BE ALSO "RESIZED"

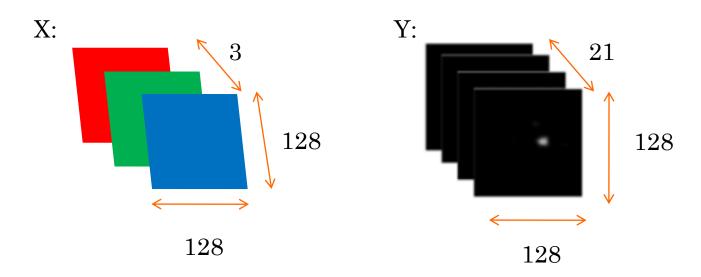


CREATE HEATMAPS

We need to create a separate heatmap for each keypoint, so there will be 21 heatmaps in total.



- \square X is an image of size 3x128x128.
- □ Y is an array of size 21x128x128, that contains 21 stacked heatmaps.









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Batch of images



- Input: images batch_size * 3 *128 * 128
- Output: heatmaps batch_size * 21 * 128 * 128

Model predictions (heatmaps)

Batch of data

batch_size=48

MODEL

Model Parameters

- N Init Neurons = 16
- MaxPool (size=2)
- UpSample (size=2)
- Skip connection (concatenate to layer input)

ConvBlock (in, out)

BatchNorm2D

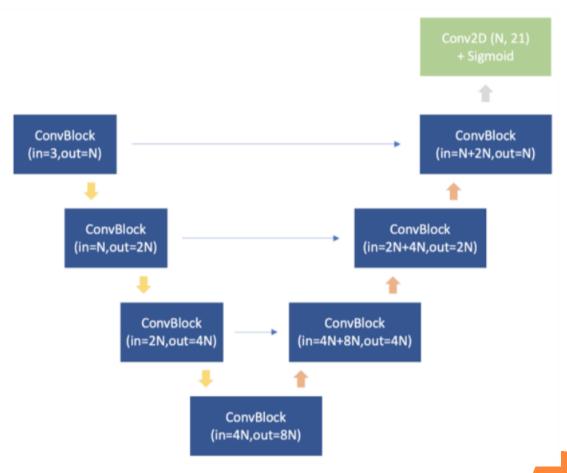
Conv2D(in, out, size=3, padding=1)

ReLU

BatchNorm2D

Conv2D(out, out, size=3, padding=1)

ReLU





LOSS

WHY IOU LOSS?

LOSS EXPRESSION:

$$\mathbf{I} = \sum_i y_i * t_i$$

$$\mathbf{U} = \sum_i y_i * y_i + \sum_i t_i * t_i - \sum_i y_i * t_i$$

$$\mathbf{IoU} = \frac{\mathbf{I}}{\mathbf{T}\mathsf{T}}$$

$$\mathbf{L_{IoU}} = \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{IoU}$$

y_i – predicted values

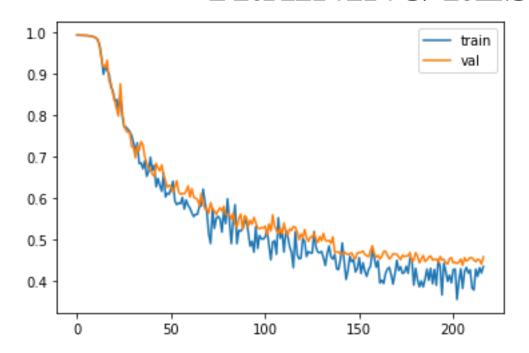
t_i - target values for a pixel in a heatmap.

Loss is calculated for each heatmap seperately, then averaged among the images in the batch.

LOSS CALCULATION:

```
class IoULoss(nn.Module):
   Intersection over Union Loss.
   IoU = Area of Overlap/Area of Union
    IoU loss is modified to use for heatmaps.
    .....
    def init (self):
        super(IoULoss, self). init ()
        self.EPSILON = 1e-6
    def op sum(self, x):
        return x.sum(-1).sum(-1)
    def forward(self, y pred, y true):
        inter = self. op sum(y true * y pred)
        union = (
            self. op sum(y true ** 2)
            + self._op_sum(y_pred ** 2)
            self. op sum(y true * y pred)
        iou = (inter + self.EPSILON) / (union + self.EPSILON)
        iou = torch.mean(iou)
        return 1 - iou
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TRAINING RESULTS:



Training Loss v/s
Validation Loss with
progress in epochs

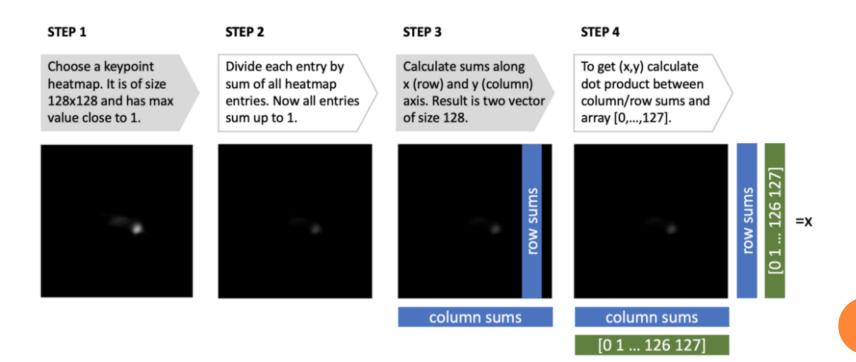
Epoch: 215/1000, Train Loss=0.4323002696, Val Loss=0.4503314694 Epoch: 216/1000, Train Loss=0.4195953608, Val Loss=0.4410485086 Epoch: 217/1000, Train Loss=0.4350762367, Val Loss=0.458478973

EVALUATION

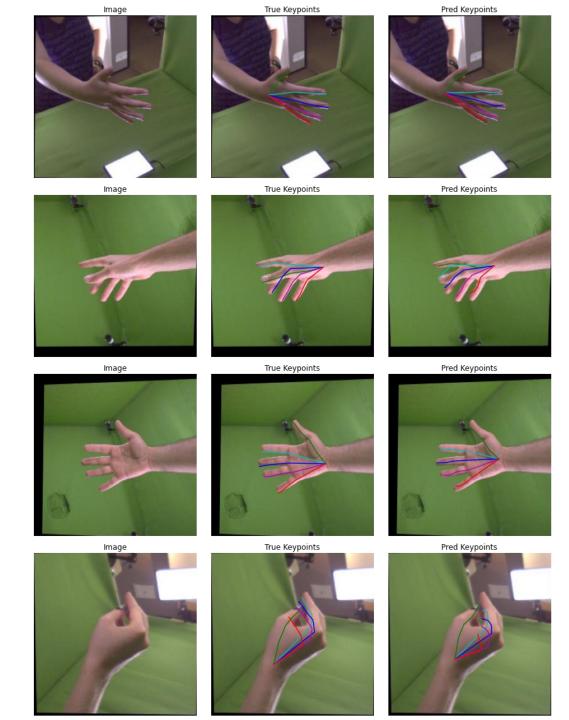
HEATMAP TO COORDINATES

There are 2 options:

- ➤ Most simply, we may just find a pixel with the largest value in the heatmap. (x,y) location of this pixel is the keypoint location.
- ➤But a more robust way would be to calculate the average among all heatmap values.



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EVALUATION METRIC:

• (1) Mean error for each joint:

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Average error per keypoint: 4.2% from image size
Average error per keypoint: 5 pixels for image 128x128
Average error per keypoint: 10 pixels for image 224x224
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- o (2) Success rate:
 - -The proportion of test frames whose average error falls below a threshold

SUCCESS RATE FOR DIFFERENT THRESHOLD VALUES

