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Abstract: In this talk, I present a new manifold learning method for human motion modeling, i.e., joint gait-pose manifold (JGPM) that unifies two motion variables, i.e., pose (a specific posture in a walking cycle) and gait (an individual walking style), into the same manifold representation. JGPM is able to capture the motion variability both across different poses and among multiple gaits simultaneously. Specifically, we propose three versions of JGPM with different constraints imposed. The first one is the torus-based JGPM that involves direct RBF mapping and serves as the baseline model. The second one is the torus-constrained JGPM that is learned through the topologically constrained Gaussian process dynamical model (GPDM) and retains the ideal torus structure. The third one is the torus-like JGPM that balances an ideal manifold structure and the intrinsic data structure and learned by a new two-step Gaussian process (GP) algorithm. We also develop a new model validation method to examine the overall performance of recent human motion models including three newly proposed JGPMs. Experimental results demonstrate that JGPM-like outperforms existing GP-based methods as well as other two JGPMs in terms of the capability of motion interpolation, extrapolation, denoising and recognition. Also, torus-like JGPM is applied to video-based motion estimation in a particle filtering framework. Our algorithm is trained from the CMU Mocap data and tested on the Brown HumanEva dataset, and experimental results show the effectiveness and efficacy of the proposed JGPM for motion estimation.

Bio

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