CVPR 2016 Workshop: Moving Cameras Meet Video Surveillance: From Body-Borne Cameras to Drones

Summarizing Long First-Person Videos

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First person vs. Third person





Traditional third-person view

First-person view

First person vs. Third person

First person "egocentric" vision:

- Linked to ongoing experience of the camera wearer
- World seen in context of the camera wearer's activity and goals

Goal: Summarize egocentric video



Wearable camera



Input: Egocentric video of the camera wearer's day





Output: Storyboard (or video skim) summary

Why summarize egocentric video?



Memory aid

Law enforcement

Mobile robot discovery

What makes egocentric data hard to summarize?



- Subtle event boundaries
- Subtle figure/ground
- Long streams of data

Prior work: Video summarization

- Largely third-person
 - Static cameras, low-level cues informative
- Consider summarization as a *sampling* problem

[Wolf 1996, Zhang et al. 1997, Ngo et al. 2003, Goldman et al. 2006, Caspi et al. 2006, Pritch et al. 2007, Laganiere et al. 2008, Liu et al. 2010, Nam & Tewfik 2002, Ellouze et al. 2010,...]

Goal: Story-driven summarization



Characters and plot ↔ Key objects and influence

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Summarization as subshot selection

Good summary = chain of *k* selected subshots in which each influences the next via some subset of key objects

$$S^{*} = \arg \max_{S \subset \mathcal{V}} \lambda_{s} S(S) + \lambda_{i} \mathcal{I}(S) + \lambda_{d} \mathcal{D}(S)$$

influence importance diversity
Subshots

Egocentric subshot detection



Learning object importance

We learn to rate regions by their egocentric importance



distance to hand



distance to frame center









frequency

[Lee et al. CVPR 2012, IJCV 2015]

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"Object-like" appearance, motion [Endres et al. ECCV 2010, Lee et al. ICCV 2011]

Region features: size, width, height, centroid



overlap w/ face detection

[Lee et al. CVPR 2012, IJCV 2015]

Estimating visual influence

• Aim to select the k subshots that maximize the influence between objects (on the weakest link)

$$\mathcal{S}(S) = \max_{a} \min_{j=1,\dots,K-1} \sum_{o_i \in O} a_{i,j} \text{INFLUENCE}(s_j, s_{j+1} | o_i)$$



Estimating visual influence



INFLUENCE
$$(s_i, s_j | o) = \prod_i (s_j) - \prod_i^o (s_j)$$

Captures how reachable subshot *j* is from subshot *i*, via any object *o*

Datasets

UT Egocentric (UT Ego) [Lee et al. 2012]



Activities of Daily Living (ADL) [Pirsiavash & Ramanan 2012]



4 videos, each 3-5 hours long, uncontrolled setting.

We use visual words and subshots.

20 videos, each 20-60 minutes, daily activities in house.

We use object bounding boxes and keyframes.

Example keyframe summary – UT Ego data

http://vision.cs.utexas.edu/projects/egocentric/



Original video (3 hours)



Our summary (12 frames)

[Lee et al. CVPR 2012, IJCV 2015]

Example skim summary – UT Ego data





Ours

Baseline

Generating storyboard maps



Augment keyframe summary with geolocations

[Lee et al., CVPR 2012, IJCV 2015]

Human subject results: Blind taste test

How often do subjects prefer our summary?

Data	Vs. Uniform sampling	Vs. Shortest-path	Vs. Object-driven Lee et al. 2012
UT Egocentric Dataset	90.0%	90.9%	81.8%
Activities Daily Living	75.7%	94.6%	N/A

34 human subjects, ages 18-6012 hours of original videoEach comparison done by 5 subjects

Total 535 tasks, 45 hours of subject time

Summarizing egocentric video

Key questions

- What objects are important, and how are they linked?
- When is recorder engaging with scene?
- Which frames look "intentional"?
- Can we teach a system to summarize?

Goal: Detect engagement



Definition:

A time interval where the recorder is attracted by some object(s) and he interrupts his ongoing flow of activity to purposefully gather more information about the object(s)

Egocentric Engagement Dataset



14 hours of labeled ego video



- "Browsing" scenarios, long & natural clips
- 14 hours of video, 9 recorders
- Frame-level labels x 10 annotators

Challenges in detecting engagement



- Interesting things vary in appearance!
- Being engaged ≠ being stationary
- High engagement intervals vary in length
- Lack cues of active camera control [Su & Grauman, ECCV 2016]

Our approach

Learn motion patterns indicative of engagement



Results: detecting engagement

Blue=Ground truth Red=Predicted



Results: failure cases

Blue=Ground truth Red=Predicted



Results: detecting engagement



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Which photos were purposely taken by a human?



N Incidental wearable camera photos



Intentional human taken photos

[Xiong & Grauman, ECCV 2014]

Idea: Detect "snap points"

• Unsupervised data-driven approach to detect frames in first-person video that look intentional



Domain adapted similarity



[Xiong & Grauman, ECCV 2014]

Example snap point predictions







Robot



Snap point predictions



[Xiong & Grauman, ECCV 2014]

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Supervised summarization

• Can we *teach* the system how to create a good summary, based on human-edited exemplars?



[Zhang et al. CVPR 2016, Chao et al. UAI 2015, Gong et al. NIPS 2014]

Determinantal Point Processes for video summarization

 Select subset of items that maximizes diversity and "quality"





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Summary Transfer

Ke Zhang (USC), Wei-Lun Chao (USC), Fei Sha (UCLA), Kristen Grauman (UT Austin)

• Idea: Transfer the underlying summarization structures





Zhang et al. CVPR 2016

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Promising results on existing annotated datasets

	Kodak (18)	OVP (50)	YouTube (31)	MED (160)
VSUMM [Avila '11]	69.5	70.3	59.9	28.9
seqDPP [Gong '14]	78.9	77.7	60.8	-
Ours	82.3	76.5	61.8	30.7

	VidMMR [Li '10]	SumMe [Gygli '14]	Submodular [Gygli '15]	Ours
SumMe (25)	26.6	39.3	39.7	40.9



Next steps

- Video summary as an index for search
- Streaming computation
- Visualization, display
- Multiple modalities e.g., audio, depth,...

Summary



• First-person summarization tools needed to cope with deluge of wearable camera data

New ideas

- Story-like summaries
- Detecting when engagement occurs
- Intentional=looking snap points from a passive camera
- Supervised summarization learning methods

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