# First-person Vision

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### First person "egocentric" vision:

First Person Vision (FPV) is a transformative system that can monitor, record and assist people in their daily lives at work or at play in a truly symbiotic manner.

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

#### Some of the more important works and commercial announcements in FPV.



SenseCam: released by Microsoft Research in 2006.



GoPro Hero: first one released in 2010.



Google Glasses: released by Google in 2012.

#### New era for first-person vision



#### **Augmented reality**



#### **Health monitoring**



#### Law enforcement



#### Science



#### **Robotics**



Life logging

Kristen Grauman, UT Austin



#### Guillermo | Tijuana

**First person cameras** 

First person camera

# What can a first person camera tell us about the wearer?

- Personal/social attention
  - Human kinematics (object/pose/action)
- Visual sensorimotor behaviors



### Learning to Predict Gaze in Egocentric Video

Yin Li, Alireza Fathi, James M. Rehg School of Interactive Computing, Georgia Tech Proceedings of the 2013 IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision

Goal: Understanding first person's behavior using gaze Why: Gaze is a very important signal

**How:** Predicting the camera wearer's gaze using egocentric cues

# Method



- Modeling the first person's head-eye / hand-eye coordination
- Only use egocentric cues, e.g. hand pose, head movement
- A temporal dynamic model for fixations

### Egocentric Cues Eye, Head and Hand Coordinations



- Center Prior (Head Orientation)
- Head Motion
- Hand Location

They did not use low-level image features or high level task information

### 1. Head-Eye Coordination

### **Center Prior: Head Orientation**

Monitor Based Tracking Egocentric Gaze Tracking

#### MIT

#### GTEA Gaze

#### GTEA Gaze+







# 1. Head-Eye Coordination

### **Head Motion**

### **Horizontal Direction**



- Large head motion is always accompanied by a large gaze shift
- Linear correlation of head motion and gaze shift in horizontal direction

## 2. Eye-Hand Coordination



Manipulation Point: a control point where the person is most likely to manipulate an object

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Peak of gaze distributions around hands, where manipulations are most likely to happen

## **Temporal Models**



#### notation:

gt: gaze point at frame t.
 mt: mt = {0, 1}, where mt
 a denotes gt is a fixation.
 zt: feature vector for
 frame t, which contains the
 manipulation point (2D), the
 global motion vector (2D),
 the hand motion vector
 the hand configuration
 categorical).

The model: 
$$P(\{g_t, m_t\}_{t=1}^K | \{z_t\}_{t=1}^K) = \prod_{t=1}^K P(g_t|z_t) \prod_{t=1}^K P(m_t|g_{N(t)})$$
  
Single Frame Gaze Prediction:  

$$P(g_t|z_t) \propto \exp\left(-\|g_t - \tilde{g}_t\|_{\Sigma_s}^2\right)$$

$$P(m_t|g_{N(t)}) \propto \exp\left(-m_t \sum_{i \in N(t)} \|g_i - g_t\|_2^2\right)$$

$$m_t = \prod_{i \in N(t)} \frac{-sign(\|g_i - g_t\|_2^2 - c) + 1}{2}$$

#### **Inference:**

To get the gaze points and fixations, they applied Maximum Likelihood (ML) estimation of the first equation.

#### Learning:

1. train the single frame random regression tree

2. select the velocity threshold c, the covariance matrix  $\Sigma$ s and the constant  $\lambda$ 

#### notation:

1. gN(t): the temporal neighbors of gt.

- 2.  $\tilde{g}t$ :  $\tilde{g}t = f(zt)$
- 3. Σs: covariance matrix
- 4. c: velocity threshold



**Random Forests** 

### GTEA Gaze Dataset

- 17 subjects
- Free choice meal preparation activities
- 42 objects

The first dataset of its kind



### GTEA Gaze+ Dataset

- 6 subjects
- 7 activities (Making pizza, hamburger, breakfast, greek salad, etc.)
- Each activity takes around 10 min, around 100 action in each activity



### **Results: Gaze Prediction**





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### **Application: Action Recognition**

Action Recognition given Gaze



spreadiambreadit

oper scoop an

takecupt

### **Application: Object Segmentation**





#### Ground Truth



Ground Truth



Ground Truth





#### ActSeg using Gaze Prediction



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ActSeg using Gaze Prediction



#### ActSeg using Gaze



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## Conclusions

- A small circle of pixels around the point of gaze is sufficient to recognize daily actions in egocentric vision
- They treat gaze as a latent variable and showed that they could predict it when it cannot be measured
- Gaze prediction based on user's head movement and hand location is surprisingly effective

