Supplementary material: Particle dynamics and multi-channel feature dictionaries for robust visual tracking

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1 Additional results

The mean CLE and success rate for each individual test sequence are shown in Tables 1 and 2 respectively. The success plots for the following attributes: background clutter (BC), motion blur (MB), fast motion (FM), occlusion (OCC), non-rigid object deformation (DEF), out-of-view (OV), and low resolution are shown in Figure 1.

2 Adaptive candidate filtering

We first derive the expression representing the number of particles to be chosen in each frame:

$$n = \frac{1}{2\nu} \chi^2_{k-1,1-\delta} \approx \frac{k-1}{2\nu} \left(1 - \frac{2}{9(k-1)} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{9(k-1)}} z_{1-\delta} \right)^3 \tag{1}$$

Consider two probability distributions p_1 and p_2 . The Kullback-Leibler distance [2] K between p_1 and p_2 is defined as

$$K(p_1, p_2) = \sum_{x} p_1(x) \log\left(\frac{p_1(x)}{p_2(x)}\right)$$
(2)

The basic idea of KLD-sampling $[\square]$ is to find the number of particles in each iteration such that the error between the true posterior probability density and the probability density approximated by the particle filter is less than v with probability $(1 - \delta)$. At any particular iteration, suppose we draw n particles from a discrete probability distribution that has k disparate bins. Defining the vector $\mathbf{N} = [N_1, N_2, \dots, N_k]$ as the number of particles drawn from each bin, we can see that \mathbf{N} follows a multinomial distribution $f_k(n, \mathbf{p})$, where $\mathbf{p} = [p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k]$ represents the probability of each of the k bins. We can use the maximum

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Sequence Ours L1 MTT ONDL SCM LSH ASLA SPT LOT MIL IVT 6.17 128 94.3 8.80 55.4 7.65 6.40 13.7 6.57 97.4 86.6 Basketball 4.44 4.05 15.9 2.74 51.1 6.37 2.18 4.93 66 12.8 91.8 Boy Car4 2.7 85.0 22.8 2.26 4.05 54.8 1.70 98.1 167 50.7 2.04CarScale 5.27 82.7 74.2 15.7 28.8 10.2 20.8 3.9 91.8 31.6 10.3 67.2 73.9 62.4 Coke 8.7 117 24.8 49.1 60.9 11.8 43.6 83.1 1.30 Crossing 2.8 56.3 1.85 1.31 50.3 1.67 39.7 36.7 3.04 2.6 David 6.8 54.4 10 23.7 10 14 6.82 27.1 38.5 17.7 9.21 David2 15.3 1.27 3.96 3.81 2.69 1.36 46.6 4.1 10.9 1.43 1.61 97.5 Deer 5.27 163 8.97 7.87 12.2 7.69 4.96 36.3 101 182 9.29 12.5 85.1 17.7 9.49 Dudek 33.5 14.7 10.1 10.7 14.9 70.2 FaceOcc2 6.7 13.6 8.9 5.9 15.5 11.5 19 21.4 15 13.6 7.1 FleetFace 15.5 26.3 69 19.4 27.8 28.6 31.7 234 33.7 63.1 62.5 Football1 5.1 13.1 8.4 20 5.09 48.3 6.85 5.62 24.3 12.8 11.6 Girl 3.5 5.1 9 37.9 64.6 37.1 6.3 10.6 21.4 13.8 22.6 MountainBike 6.58 24.9 7.4 6 210 7.3 10.4 7.8 8.8 11.8 73 125 97.2 22.7 82.6 24 85.3 Shaking 7.64 7.21 10.8 8.04 130 3.33 140 11.5 Singer1 2.76 3.36 35.1 3.28 14.5 2.87 80.5 16.5 Singer2 7.04 184 210 179 113 8.71 175 225 76.9 22.5 175 88.5 Skating1 6.02 132 298 7.12 9.21 68.2 48.6 188 139 146 42.2 129 84.3 89.4 77.8 101 119 53.8 77.8 145 Soccer 19.1 12.7 7.37 7.54 6.45 15.3 33.6 11.4 15.4 34.3 Sylvester 49.8 8.08 Trellis 2.98 84.9 59.3 18.3 5.61 32.7 7.81 11.69 47.6 71.5 119 Walking 2.26 3.5 2.76 3.45 2.44 12.8 2.02 37.3 2.42 3.42 1.71 Walking2 2.37 2.67 3.36 36.1 1.85 23.4 37.7 25.7 64.7 60.4 2.76 Woman 3.38 356 105 5.7 123 7.52 3.71 7.44 114 102 142

Table 1: Mean center location error (in pixels) for each of the 25 test sequences. **Red** - Best, *Blue* - Second best.

Sequence	Ours	L1	MTT	ONDL	SCM	LSH	ASLA	SPT	LOT	MIL	IVT
Basketball	96.5	10.8	25.2	90.2	31.2	94.3	95.1	80.5	89.2	30.6	10.3
Boy	94.8	96.8	44.5	97.8	43.8	89.2	99.5	100	64.9	38.5	32.5
Car4	100	15.6	31.4	100	97.2	27.2	100	19.6	4.8	27.6	100
CarScale	100	68	57.7	74.3	68	46.9	73.0	98.8	48.6	46.9	73.9
Coke	96.8	10.4	69.6	23.2	40.8	6.8	15.2	87.2	10.4	12.4	15.2
Crossing	100	35.8	22.5	100	100	12.5	100	35.8	30.8	<i>98.3</i>	24.2
David	90	24.7	85.5	36	79	47.5	80.5	9	2.75	20	68
David2	100	72.8	100	75	91.3	100	94.6	27.6	76.9	32.4	92.4
Deer	100	5.63	95.7	100	92.9	94.4	100	52.1	2.82	12.7	2.82
Dudek	100	71.8	92.7	96.9	97.5	97.6	89.8	56.8	61.8	85.7	96.9
FaceOcc2	<i>98.3</i>	72.7	90.6	99.7	71.5	97.2	43.2	65.5	35	93.6	91.6
FleetFace	94.3	79.6	54.7	83.6	70.6	71.4	59.5	0.6	57.8	53.7	46.5
Football1	75.7	28.4	59.5	54	41.9	85.1	44.6	17.6	41.9	78.4	49.5
Girl	91.4	62.6	62.4	24	34.2	15.4	85.6	53.8	58.6	29.4	18.4
MountainBike	100	28.5	95.2	95.2	96.9	100	89.9	36.8	68.8	57.5	100
Shaking	100	0.5	1.1	94.8	90.1	95.9	32.6	8.49	7.67	22.7	1.1
Singer1	100	100	35.6	99.7	100	27.6	100	23.4	24.8	27.6	44.2
Singer2	97.5	3.55	3.55	3.55	16.4	100	3.55	3.28	15.8	47.5	3.8
Skating1	99	9.25	13	41.7	35.2	9.25	51.7	19	24	10.2	9.5
Soccer	33	16.3	18.1	17.9	23.5	8.9	12.5	26	21.7	15.6	17.3
Sylvester	82.4	29.5	82.2	85.2	88.5	96.3	74.8	24.5	67.7	54.6	67.4
Trellis	100	21.3	23.7	79.6	96.5	44.1	85	74.5	33	24.4	30.9
Walking	99.7	96.6	99	99	96.1	29.8	99.7	43	96.8	54.1	99.7
Walking2	99.2	99.6	99.2	40.6	100	38.8	39.8	29.6	39	38	<i>99.8</i>
Woman	99.7	23.5	29.7	90.5	30	97	96.2	95.5	15.5	28	27.7

Table 2: Mean success rate for each of the 25 test sequences. Red - Best, Blue - Second best.



Figure 1: Success plots for background clutter, fast motion, occlusion, non-rigid object deformation, out-of-view, motion blur, fast motion, and low-resolution attributes.

likelihood estimation procedure to obtain $\hat{\mathbf{p}}$ as

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}} = \frac{\mathbf{N}}{n} \tag{3}$$

The likelihood ratio λ_n statistic for **p** is given by

$$\log \lambda_n = \sum_{j=1}^k N_j \log \frac{\hat{p}_j}{p_j} \tag{4}$$

Since $N_j = n\hat{p}_j$, this equation becomes

$$\log \lambda_n = n \sum_{j=1}^k \hat{p}_j \log \frac{\hat{p}_j}{p_j} = n \mathbf{K} \left(\hat{\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{p} \right)$$
(5)

Noting that $2 \log \lambda_n$ converges in distribution to a chi-square distribution as $n \to \infty$ [I], consider the probability $P(\mathbf{K}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{p}) \le \mathbf{v})$:

$$P(\mathbf{K}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{p}) \le \mathbf{v}) = P(2n\mathbf{K}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{p}) \le 2n\mathbf{v})$$

= $P(2\log\lambda_n \le 2n\mathbf{v})$
= $P(\chi_{k-1}^2 \le 2n\mathbf{v})$ (6)

Using the fact that $P\left(\chi_{k-1}^2 \le \chi_{k-1,1-\delta}^2\right) = 1 - \delta$, if we choose *n* according to the following expression:

$$2n\mathbf{v} = \boldsymbol{\chi}_{k-1,1-\delta}^2 \tag{7}$$

we get

$$P(\mathbf{K}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{p}) \le \mathbf{v}) = 1 - \boldsymbol{\delta}$$
(8)

which is exactly what we wished to achieve, hence completing the proof. We see that equation 1 follows from Equation 7.

3 Optimization problem

In each feature channel, we solve the following optimization problem:

$$\min_{\substack{\mathbf{x}^{j},\varepsilon^{j}}} \|\mathbf{x}^{j}\|_{1} + \|\varepsilon^{j}\|_{1}$$
s.t. $\mathbf{y}^{j} = \mathbf{A}^{j}\mathbf{x}^{j} + \varepsilon^{j}$

$$(9)$$

This problem is of the general form

$$\begin{array}{ll}
\min_{\mathbf{x},\varepsilon} & f_1(\mathbf{x},\varepsilon) \\
\text{s.t.} & f_2(\mathbf{x},\varepsilon) = \mathbf{0}
\end{array}$$
(10)

where $f_2(\mathbf{x}, \varepsilon) = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon$. Both $f_2(\mathbf{x}, \varepsilon)$, and $f_1(\mathbf{x}, \varepsilon)$ are continuous and convex functions in $(\mathbf{x}, \varepsilon)$, and hence the problem

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$$\min_{\mathbf{x},\varepsilon} \quad f_1(\mathbf{x},\varepsilon) + \frac{\zeta}{2} \|f_2(\mathbf{x},\varepsilon)\|_2^2$$
s.t.
$$f_2(\mathbf{x},\varepsilon) = \mathbf{0}$$
(11)

has the same optimal value pair $(\mathbf{x}^*, \varepsilon^*)$ as the problem defined in Equation 10. We now eliminate the equality constraints in this problem by introducing the Lagrange multipliers. The *augmented* Lagrangian for this problem is

$$\mathcal{L}_{\zeta}(\mathbf{x},\boldsymbol{\varepsilon},\boldsymbol{\rho}) = f_1(\mathbf{x},\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + \frac{\zeta}{2} \|f_2(\mathbf{x},\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})\|_2^2 + \boldsymbol{\rho}^T f_2(\mathbf{x},\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})$$
(12)

The minimization problem of Equation 11 is equivalent to minimizing the augmented Lagrangian of Equation 12. Therefore, we now have

$$(\mathbf{x}^*, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*) = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} \mathcal{L}_{\zeta}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}, \boldsymbol{\rho})$$
(13)

The minimization problem of Equation 13 can be solved using the framework of alternating directions algorithms [**b**]. Specifically, in each iteration, we compute **x** and ε separately, and then update ρ . Formally, the optimal solution pair ($\mathbf{x}^*, \varepsilon^*$) is computed as

$$\mathbf{x}_{i+1} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}_{\zeta}(\mathbf{x}, \varepsilon_i, \rho_i) \tag{14}$$

$$\varepsilon_{i+1} = \arg\min_{\alpha} \mathcal{L}_{\zeta}(\mathbf{x}_{i+1}, \varepsilon, \rho_i)$$
(15)

$$\boldsymbol{\rho}_{i+1} = \boldsymbol{\rho}_i + \zeta(f_2(\mathbf{x}_{i+1}, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{i+1})) \tag{16}$$

The sub-problem defined by

$$\varepsilon_{i+1} = \arg\min_{\varepsilon} \mathcal{L}_{\zeta}(\mathbf{x}_{i+1}, \varepsilon, \rho_i) \tag{17}$$

has a closed form solution, which we derive next. Consider the definition

$$\mathcal{L}_{\zeta}(\mathbf{x}_{i+1},\varepsilon,\boldsymbol{\rho}_i) = \|\mathbf{x}_{i+1}\|_1 + \|\varepsilon\|_1 + \frac{\zeta}{2} \|f_2(\mathbf{x}_{i+1},\varepsilon)\|_2^2 + \boldsymbol{\rho}_i^T(f_2(\mathbf{x}_{i+1},\varepsilon))$$
(18)

Defining $\varepsilon_{\mathbf{d}} = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_{i+1}$, minimizing $\mathcal{L}_{\zeta}(\mathbf{x}_{i+1}, \varepsilon, \rho_i)$ is equivalent to

$$\varepsilon^{*} = \arg\min_{\varepsilon} \left\{ \|\varepsilon\|_{1} + \frac{\zeta}{2} \|f_{2}(\mathbf{x}_{i+1}, \varepsilon)\|_{2}^{2} + \rho_{i}^{T}(f_{2}(\mathbf{x}_{i+1}, \varepsilon)) \right\}$$

$$= \arg\min_{\varepsilon} \left\{ \|\varepsilon\|_{1} + \rho_{i}^{T}(\varepsilon_{d} - \varepsilon) + \frac{\zeta}{2}(\varepsilon_{d} - \varepsilon)^{T}(\varepsilon_{d} - \varepsilon) \right\}$$

$$= \arg\min_{\varepsilon} \left\{ \|\varepsilon\|_{1} + \frac{\zeta}{2} \left\|\varepsilon - \left(\varepsilon_{d} + \frac{\rho_{i}}{\zeta}\right)\right\|_{2}^{2} \right\}$$

$$= \mathcal{T}_{\frac{1}{\zeta}} \left(\varepsilon_{d} + \frac{\rho_{i}}{\zeta}\right)$$
(19)

where $\mathcal{T}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{t})_i = \operatorname{sgn}(t_i) \max\{|t_i| - \alpha, 0\}, i = 1, 2, ..., n$. Thus, the update step for ε_{i+1} has an analytic solution given by

$$\varepsilon_{i+1} = \mathcal{T}_{\frac{1}{\zeta}} \left(\varepsilon_{\mathbf{d}} + \frac{\rho_i}{\zeta} \right) \tag{20}$$

However, the sub-problem defined by

$$\mathbf{x}_{i+1} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}_{\zeta}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i, \boldsymbol{\rho}_i)$$
(21)

does not have an analytic solution, and we hence must resort to iterative schemes. To solve this problem, we use the Fast Iterative Shrinkage Thresholding Algorithm (FISTA) [I]. We first show that this optimization problem is basically the classic lasso [I] problem. Defining $\mathbf{b}' = \mathbf{y} - \varepsilon_i$, and $\mathbf{b}'' = \mathbf{b}' + \frac{\rho_i}{\zeta}$, we have

$$\mathbf{x}_{i+1} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} \left\{ \|\mathbf{x}\|_{1} + \rho_{i}^{T} (\mathbf{b}' - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) + \frac{\zeta}{2} (\mathbf{b}' - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x})^{T} (\mathbf{b}' - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) \right\}$$

$$= \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} \left\{ \|\mathbf{x}\|_{1} + \frac{\zeta}{2} \left\| \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}' - \frac{\rho_{i}}{\zeta} \right\|_{2}^{2} \right\}$$

$$= \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} \left\{ \|\mathbf{x}\|_{1} + \frac{\zeta}{2} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}''\|_{2}^{2} \right\}$$
(22)

Thus, we see that the problem of Equation 21 reduces to the lasso framework, which can be efficiently solved using FISTA.

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