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1 Introduction

Can you see a difference in posture?

Our Goal: Making subtle posture deviations across subjects visible

Generating new images showing magnified posture deviations

Applications

- Medicine — Increase visibility of motor function impairment for better treatments
- Sport — Highlight incorrect postures to improve performance

Comparison with healthy movement (left): Impaired subject (right) walks with its legs apart

Comparison with successful golf swing (left): Knee is twisted inside (right)

Related Work

e.g. Facilitating perception of 'wobbling' effect of a pupil

Image Generation
Synthesize images with specific appearance in different postures
Requirement: Disentanglement of appearance and posture

Motion Magnification
Magnify small motion within a specific video
Requirement: Sensitivity to small changes

Our Method: Combining both worlds

Magnification of subtle posture deviations across subjects

2 Disentanglement for Magnification

Goal: Magnifying *only* posture differences

Unsupervised disentanglement of posture π and appearance α

Model: Autoencoder with two encoders E_π and E_α

Problematic Shortcut: Ignoring encoding of E_α

Our Solution: Discourage correct reconstruction if one encoding is ignored

Reconstruction

Fake Appearance

Fake Posture

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{rec}} = d(\hat{x}^q, x^q)$

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{dis}} = \|d(x^q, \hat{x}_\pi^q) - t_\pi\|_1 + \|d(x^q, \hat{x}_\alpha^q) - t_\alpha\|_1$

target values of distance between x^q and fake reconstructions

3 Learning to Magnify

Goal: Produce realistic and valid magnifications

Challenges:

- 1) How do we magnify? → Extrapolation
- 2) Magnification produces new postures

- No ground-truth → Fixpoint loss \mathcal{L}_{fix}
- No guarantee for realistic postures → Adversarial loss \mathcal{L}_A

magnification intensity

$m_\pi := E_\pi(x^r) + \lambda (E_\pi(x^q) - E_\pi(x^r))$

x^r x^q x^m

E_π E_α D

x^m C {original, magnified}

\mathcal{L}_A $\mathcal{L}_{\text{fix}} = \|E_\pi(x^m) - m_\pi\|_2^2 + \|E_\alpha(x^m) - E_\alpha(x^q)\|_2^2$

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mag}} = \mathcal{L}_A + \beta \mathcal{L}_{\text{fix}}$

4 Results and Ablation Studies

Qualitative Results on a Human Gait

reference query

Walks with its legs apart

Foot not raised properly

Bigger steps

Oh et al. [1]

Ours w/o \mathcal{L}_{mag}

Ours w/o \mathcal{L}_{dis}

Ours

Magnification Intensity

Qualitative Results on Golf Swing

reference query

Arms are kept lower

Arms are kept higher

Arms are less centered

Oh et al. [1]

Ours

Magnification Intensity

Qualitative Results on CUEye

time → magnification → λ

posture deviation source

appearance source

Transferring subtle movements of the query's pupil (A) to various target appearances (C).

A: Tiny motion from left to right. B: Given one of the target appearances (C) our model can transfer and magnify the left-right movement from the query to the target appearance with different magnification factors λ .

5 Take-Aways

- Introduction of the new task of *magnifying posture deviations across subjects* with applications in different fields
- Proposal of an unsupervised disentanglement loss \mathcal{L}_{dis} for separating posture from appearance
- Proposal of a magnification loss \mathcal{L}_{mag} for learning to generate realistic and valid magnifications

[1] Tae-Hyun Oh, Ronnachai Jaroensri, Changil Kim, Mohamed Elgharib, Frédo Durand, William T Freeman, and Wojciech Matusik. Learning-based video motion magnification. In *Proceedings of the European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)*

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