# Deep Quaternion Pose Proposals for 6D Object Pose Tracking

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## Problem

**Pose Tracking -** Estimating the 6-DoF pose (3D rotations and 3D translations) of an object with respect to the camera with additional informations from previous frames.





Fig. 1: Examples of illumination differences and similarity of poses







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Direct 6D pose regression



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Most existing methods output a single guess of object's pose – we want a distribution of object poses.



## Our approach

- We present a 6D object pose tracker, which uses quaternion pose distributions.
- We propose an unit quaternion representation of rotational state space for a particle filter and particle swarm optimization.
- A common Siamese neural network is employed to guide the particles.
- Our algorithm was evaluated on Nvidia Jetson AGX Xavier.



### Quaternion

Represented as numbers with one real part and three distinct imaginary parts:

$$\boldsymbol{q} = q_w + q_x i + q_y j + q_z k$$

where  $q_w$ ,  $q_x$ ,  $q_y$ ,  $q_z$  are real numbers and *i*, *j*, *k* satisfy:

$$i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = ijk = -1$$



Fig. 1: Quaternion visualization



### **Quaternion Particle Filter**

- Monte Carlo method
- Unit quaternion representation of rotation state space
- Translation vector in Euclidean
  space
- Weights are calculated on the basis of a probabilistic observation model



Fig. 2: Prior distribution



Fig. 3: Distribution after resampling



## **Quaternion Particle Swarm Optimization**

- Population-based optimization method
- Iteratively tries to improve a candidate solution with respect to a fitness measure
- Particles are clustered using k-means++ algorithm



Fig. 4: K-means clusters



Fig. 5: After execution of PSO



### **Siamese Neural Network**



Fig. 6: Architecture of Siamese neural network for prediction of 6D pose of the object



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view, ADD [%]	House (nS)	House	Ironman (nS)	Ironman
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Behind, 20%	$99{\pm}0.51$	97±1.68	$91{\pm}1.62$	$95 {\pm} 2.06$
Left, 10%	$81{\pm}1.52$	$76 \pm 2.58$	$35 \pm 5.56$	$42 \pm 3.37$
Left, 20%	$97{\pm}1.34$	$98{\pm}1.34$	$66 {\pm} 6.77$	$69 {\pm} 3.82$
Right, 10%	$55 {\pm} 5.13$	75±2.02	$46 \pm 5.15$	$56 {\pm} 4.34$
Right, 20%	$74{\pm}7.20$	96±1.80	$73 \pm 6.73$	$79{\pm}5.04$
Front, 10%	$53 \pm 3.66$	82±1.14	$55 \pm 6.02$	$68 {\pm} 3.45$
Front, 20%	$81 \pm 5.40$	97±1.10	$73 \pm 5.94$	$83{\pm}3.29$
Average, 10%	68	79	50	61
Average, 20%	88	97	76	82

Table 1: Tracking scores (nS – no Siamese)

AUC score [%]	House	Ironman	Jet	Bike	Chest	Soda
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UDP	5.97	5.25	2.34	6.10	6.79	8.49
ElasticFusion	2.70	1.69	1.86	1.57	1.53	1.90
Reg. G-N.	10.15	11.99	13.22	11.90	11.76	8.86
w/o Siamese	11.52	9.26	9.19	10.81	6.93	6.61
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duck with Siam. sep.	75	90
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# Conclusion

- We have presented that Siamese neural network can deliver pose predictions over time, which improve the performance of the object tracking.
- We proposed an unit quaterion representation of the rotational state space for particle filter hybridized with particle swarm optimization.
- Our algorithm delivers probability distribution of object poses in contrast to recent approaches.
- Our system has been evalueted on Nvidia Jetson with resonable running time.



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