Different(ial) approach to the Photometric Stereo problem

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From traditional to realistic Photometric Stereo

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$$(\xi_j, \eta_j, \zeta_j)$$
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$$\begin{array}{c} \text{traditional} \\ \text{schematic working setup} \\ \text{schematic working setup} \\ \text{wiewing geometry} \\ \text{in}(x,y) = (-\nabla z, 1) \\ \text{light propagation} \\ \text{in}(x,y) = (-\nabla z, 1) \\ \text{light propagation} \\ \text{in}(x,y) = (-\nabla z, 1) \\ \text{irradiance equation} \\ I_j(x,y) = \rho(x,y)\omega_j \cdot n(x,y) \\ \text{differential formulation obtained by image ratio of pairs of images } \frac{I_i}{I_j} \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} b(x,y) \cdot \nabla z(x,y) = s(x,y) \\ z(x,y) = g(x,y) \\ where \\ (b(x,y), s(x,y)) = I_i\omega_j - I_j\omega_i \end{array} \right| \left\{ \begin{array}{c} r(x,y,z) \cdot \nabla z(x,y) = k(x,y,z), \quad a.e.(x,y) \\ z(x,y) = h(x,y) \\ z(x,y) = f(x,y) - I_j|\bar{I}_j|(f\xi_i - x\zeta_i), \\ I_i|\bar{I}_i|(f\eta_j - y\zeta_j) - I_j|\bar{I}_j|(f\eta_i - y\zeta_j) \end{array} \right\} \end{array}$$





Real case



Real case





Modern approach to Shape-from-Shading

Color Constancy, Intrinsic Images, and Shape Estimation

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Abstract. We present SIRFS (shape, illumination, and reflectance from shading), the first unified model for recovering shape, chromatic illumination, and reflectance from a single image. Our model is an extension of our previous work [1], which addressed the achromatic version of this problem. Dealing with color requires a modified problem formulation, novel priors on reflectance and illumination, and a new optimization scheme for dealing with the resulting inference problem. Our approach outperforms all previously published algorithms for intrinsic image decomposition and shape-from-shading on the MIT intrinsic images dataset [1, 2] and on our own "naturally" illuminated version of that dataset.

1 Introduction

In 1866, Helmholtz noted that "In visual observation we constantly aim to reach a judgment on the object colors and to eliminate differences of illumination" ([3], volume 2, p.287). This problem of color constancy — decomposing an image into illuminant color and surface color — has seen a great deal of work in the modern era, starting with Land and McCann's Retinex algorithm [4, 5]. Retinex ignores shape and attempts to recover illumination and reflectance in isolation, assumptions shared by nearly all subsequent work in color constancy



The dataset



The dataset































































Thank you !