

# Optimization in Factor Graphs for Fast and Scalable 3D Reconstruction and Mapping

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#### Large-Scale Structure from Motion





San Marco: 198 iconic images



Photo Tourism [Snavely et al. SIGGRAPH'06]



**Iconic Scene Graphs** [Li et al. ECCV'08]

Build Rome in a Day [Agarwal et al. ICCV'09]



Build Rome on a Cloudless Day [Frahm et al. ECCV'10]



Discrete-Continuous Optim.

[Crandall et al. CVPR'11]

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#### 3D Models from Community Databases

# • E.g., Google image search on "Dubrovnik"



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Probabilistic Temporal Inference on Reconstructed 3D Scenes, G. Schindler and F. Dellaert, IEEE Computer Society Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2010.



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# Outline



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#### Graphical Models



### **Polynomial Equations**

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#### Continuous Probability Densities



 $P(X,M) = k^* P(x_0) \prod_{i=1}^{M} P(x_i | x_{i-1}, u_i) \times \prod_{k=1}^{K} P(z_k | x_{i_k}, l_{j_k})$ 

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Factor Graphs

**On Graphs & Matrices** 

**Graph-Inspired Methods** 

Support Subgraphs

**Future Directions** 

End

#### Gaussian Factor Graph == mxn Matrix





#### Linear Least Squares



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 $\mathcal{I} \stackrel{\Delta}{=} A^T A = R^T R$ 





#### **Square Root Factorization**







(b) Final trajectory and evidence grid map.



(c) Final R factor with side length 2730.

#### 910 poses, 4453 constraints, 45s or 49ms/step (Olson, RSS 07: iterative equation solver, same ballpark)

#### MIT Killian Court Dataset



(b) Final trajectory and evidence grid map.



#### 1941 poses, 2190 constraints, 14.2s or 7.3ms/step

On Vesta and Ceres



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 $l_2$ 

 $x_3$ 

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 $x_1$ 

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• End-Result = Bayes Net !





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#### Three degree 2 polynomials, each in only 2 variables







100 vertices, 180 edges

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