

Detecting Fine-grained Affordances with an Anthropomorphic Agent Model

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Motivation

- ▶ distinguish affordances on a fine-grained scale
- ▶ allows for detailed scene analysis
- ▶ example: sitting affordance

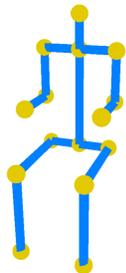


sitting ...
 ... w/o backrest ... with backrest ... with armrest ... with headrest

Models

Anthropomorphic Agent

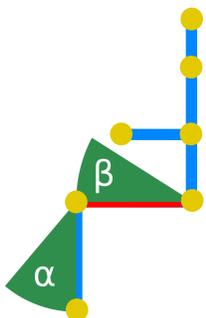
- ▶ models typical human body proportions
- ▶ directed acyclic graph
- ▶ (non-leaf) nodes: joints, movement restrictions
- ▶ edges: parameterized spatial relations between joints



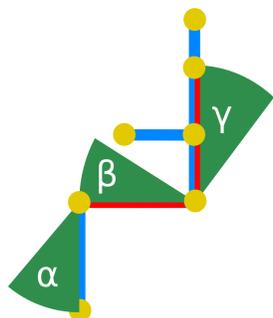
Affordances

- ▶ α , β determine valid heights, γ determines valid plane inclination
- ▶ supporting plane size must be in $[D_{min}, D_{max}]$ percent of agent width
- ▶ support has to be present in contact area (red)
- ▶ feet must touch the ground

sitting without backrest



sitting with backrest



Algorithm

- ▶ feature-centered algorithm for fine-grained Affordance Detection for sitting affordances

Require: Point cloud P , Affordance models f_1, f_2 , Agent model H

Ensure: Point cloud with segmented affordances P_1 and P_2

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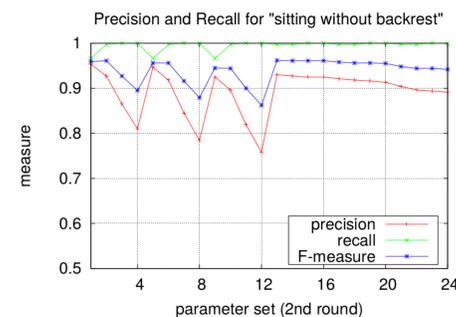
E ← segmentPlanes(P)
S ← ∅
for all horizontal planes p ∈ E do
    if supportsModels(p, H, f1) then
5:     S ← S ∪ p
    end if
end for
for all s ∈ S do
    V ← vertical planes ∈ E close to s
10:  if supportsModels(v, H, f2) and v is biggest plane ∈ V that supports the models
    then
        P2 ← P2 ∪ v
        P2 ← P2 ∪ s
    else
        P1 ← P1 ∪ s
15:  end if
end for
    
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Experiments and Results

- ▶ dataset: RGBD point clouds
- ▶ positive samples: 294 views of 3 stools, 17 chairs
- ▶ negative samples: 109 views of 9 objects (bed, desks, tables, etc.)
- ▶ 59 parameter combinations tested in 2 rounds
- ▶ evaluation using the F-measure: $F\text{-measure} = \frac{2 \cdot \text{precision} \cdot \text{recall}}{\text{precision} + \text{recall}}$

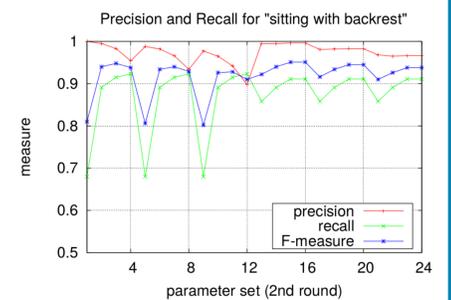
Sitting Without Backrest

- ▶ "plateaus": α, β between 20° and 40°
- ▶ low values for decreasing D_{min}
- ▶ almost stable for increasing D_{max}



Sitting With Backrest

- ▶ very sensitive to D_{min} and D_{max}
- ▶ little influence by γ
- ▶ lower values for high D_{min}



best F-measure values

	sit. w/o backrest	sit. with backrest
best w/o backr.	0.962	0.922
best with backr.	0.961	0.951

best parameters

α, β	γ	D_{min}	D_{max}
30°	$35^\circ - 40^\circ$	0.5	1.4-1.6

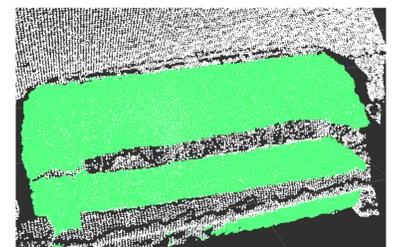


Conclusion and Outlook

- ▶ promising results on distinguishing two closely related affordances
- ▶ fine-grained affordances allow for implicitly classifying stool and chair

Future Work

- ▶ use fuzzy logic for parameter tests
- ▶ include more fine grained affordances
- ▶ extension to an agent-centered algorithm
- ▶ evaluation on a bigger dataset
- ▶ reduce number of parameters (e.g. get rid of D_{min} and D_{max})



(detection of the sitting with backrest affordance on a sofa with modified D_{max} parameter)