LEARNING TO ANTICIPATE GAZE

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INTRODUCTION

- Humans: While moving around, driving...
- Google's self driving car.
- Human Gaze Tightly connected to motor resonance system. [Sciuttu et al.]
- Sports persons.
 - Batsmen's eye movements monitor the moment when the ball is released, make a predictive saccade to the place where they expect it to hit the ground, wait for it to bounce, and follow its trajectory for 100-200 ms after the bounce. [Land & McLeod]





[Images courtesy of Land & McLeod, 2000]

MECHANISM

- The model is learnt in unsupervised fashion.
- DATASET: Sequences of a ball bouncing off the walls/floor at different velocities as viewed from different viewpoints with a facility to incorporate desired spin/swing.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_G \\ v_G \\ a_G \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Delta t & \Delta t^2/2 \\ 0 & 1 & \Delta t \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_G \\ v_G \\ a_G \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{new} = R_G^{new} P_G + O_G^{new}$$
• 'Canny edge detector' + 'Hough Transform'
$$X_{VISUAL} = f * X/Z$$

MECHANISM

Using (x, y, z) pairs in the dataset, learn the state transition matrix F.
Regression problem.



KALMAN FILTER

Why?

- Takes care of Noisy Measurements (Rounding effects/Edge detector...)
- Just the measurement of position will do
- Several cycles of prediction can be done before next measurement update



RESULTS & REFERENCES



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