

Dense 3D reconstruction and modelling of faces:
addressing the real-world challenges

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- Model & reconstruct the detailed 3D shape & dynamics of human faces
- Numerous applications:
 - facial expression recognition
 - face recognition
 - human-computer interaction
 - augmented reality
 - performance capture
 - craniofacial surgery



(Thies et al., Face2Face: Real-time Face Capture and Reenactment of RGB Videos, CVPR'16).

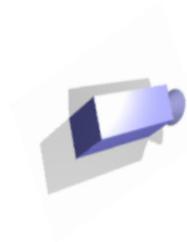
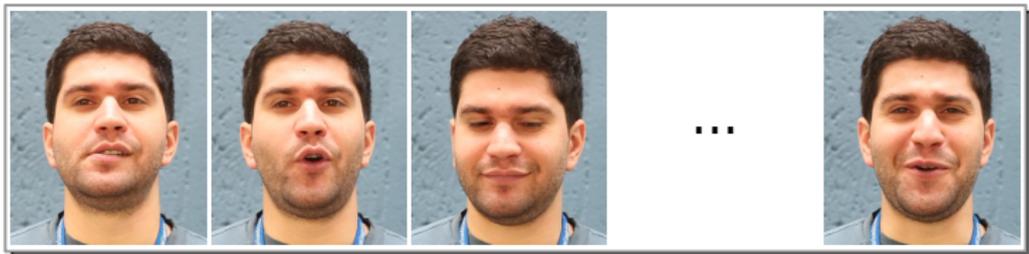
- 3D face reconstruction:
 - reliable only under **restrictive acquisition conditions**

- 3D face modelling:
 - representing **only specific demographic groups**

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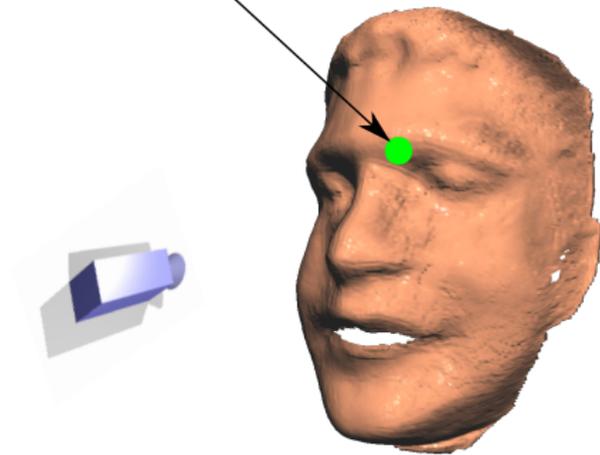
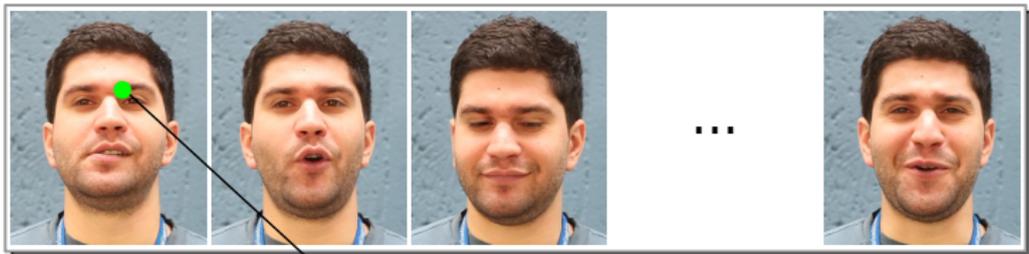
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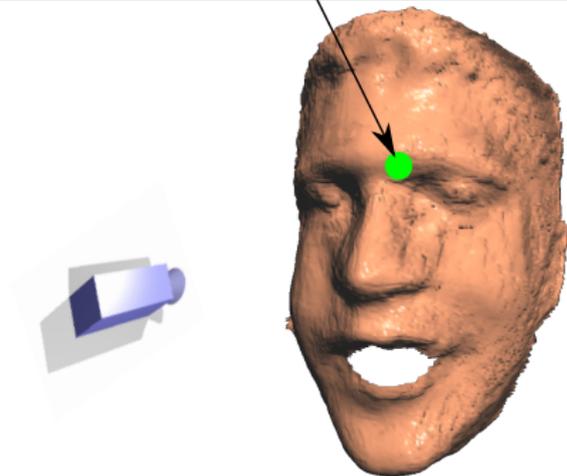
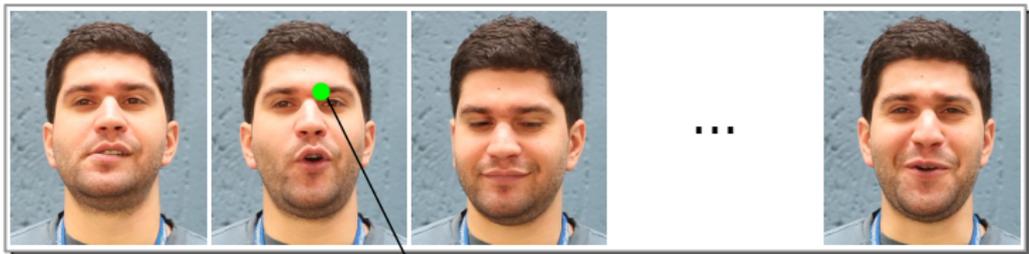
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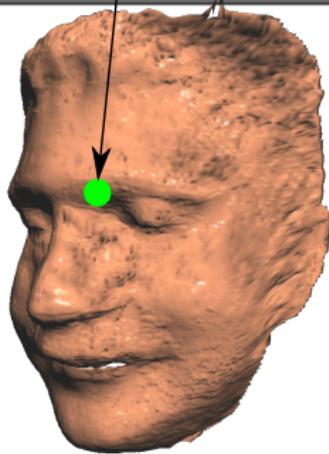
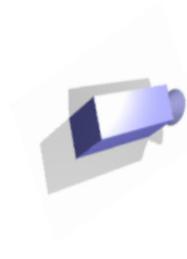
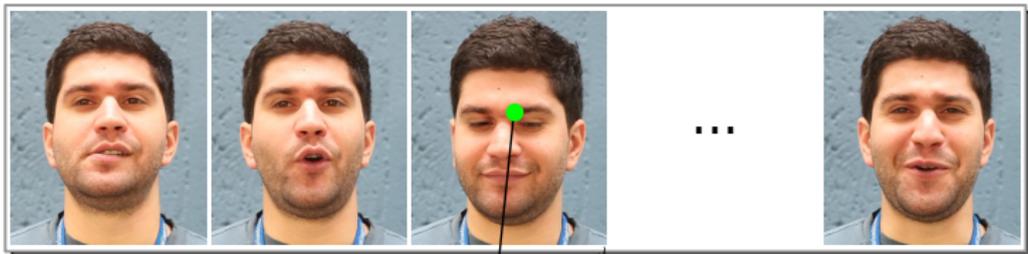
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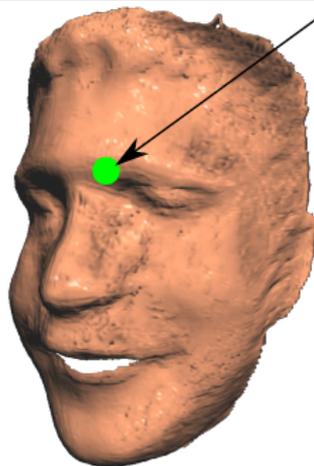
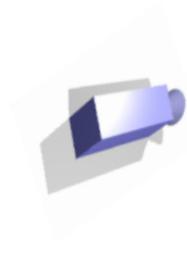
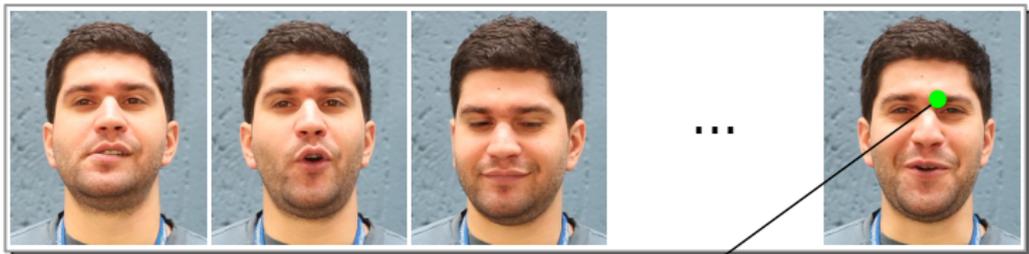
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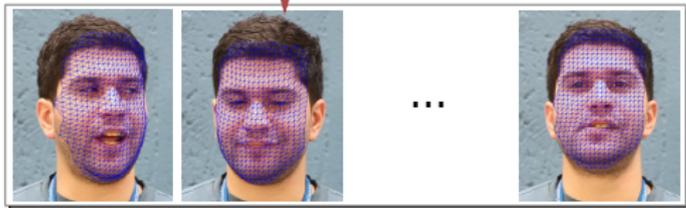
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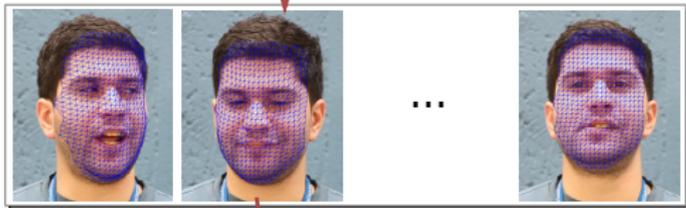
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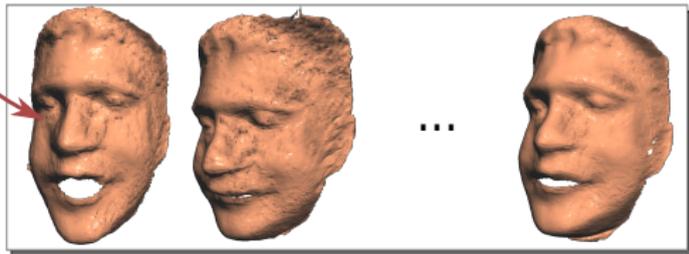


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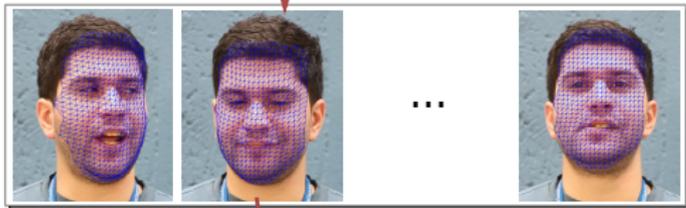


Step 2: Dense
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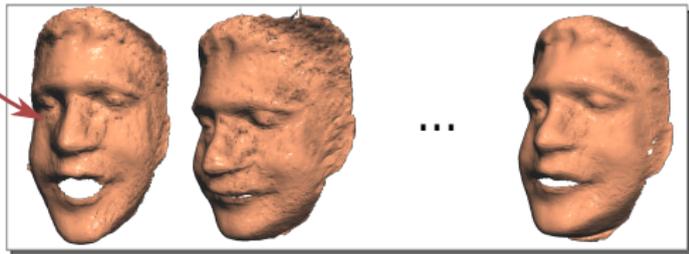
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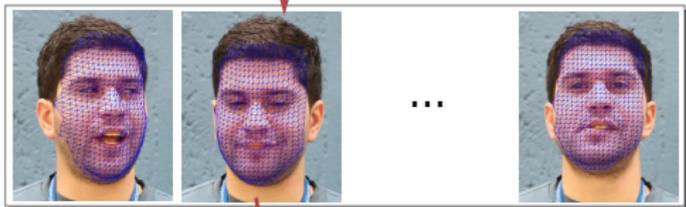
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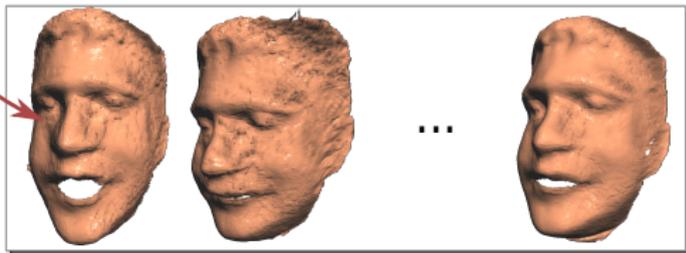
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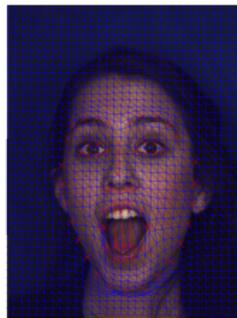
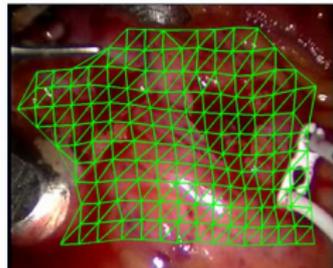
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(Garg, Roussos, Agapito, A variational approach to video registration with subspace constraints, IJCV'13)
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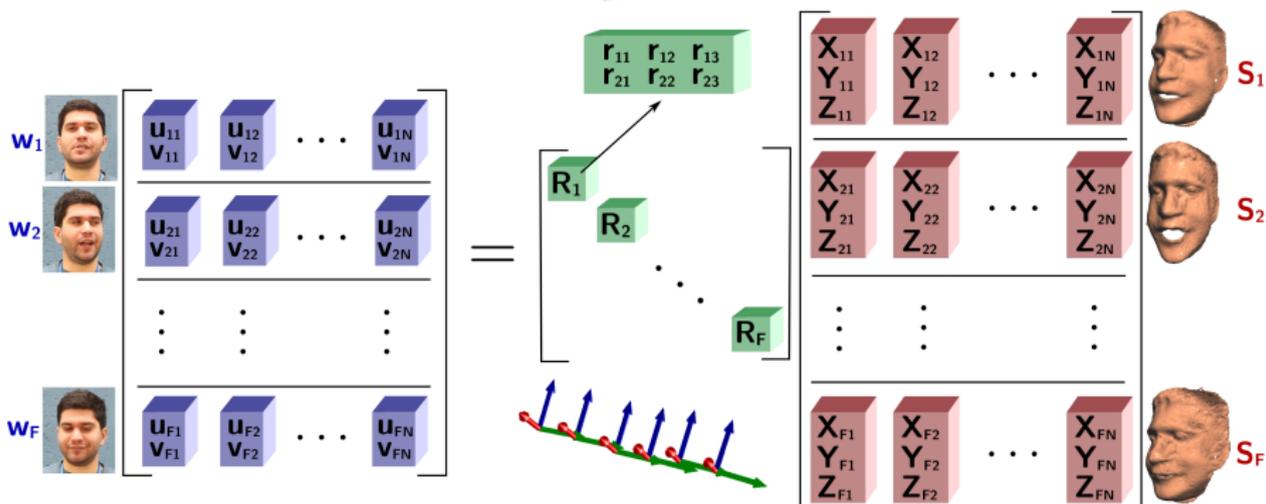
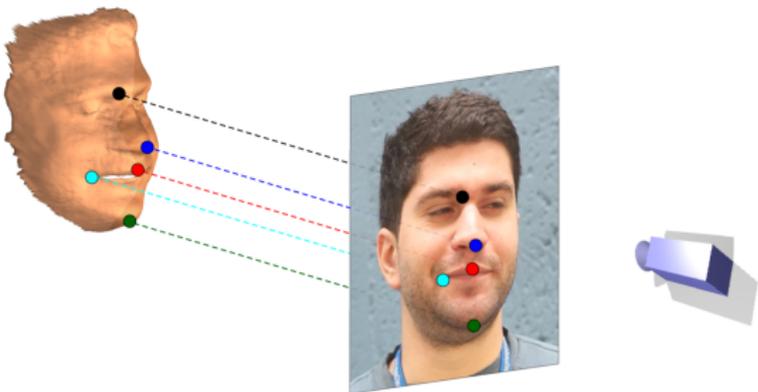
Multi-frame Subspace Flow (MFSF)

- Robust Subspace Constraints for Video Registration



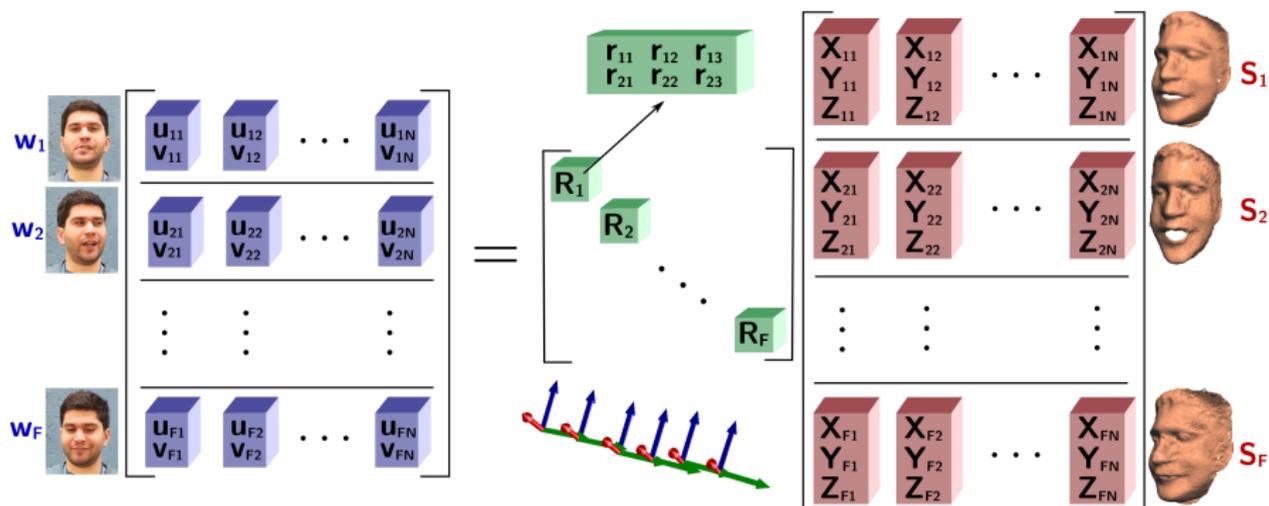
- **The code is now publicly available at:**
<https://bitbucket.org/troussos/mfsf>

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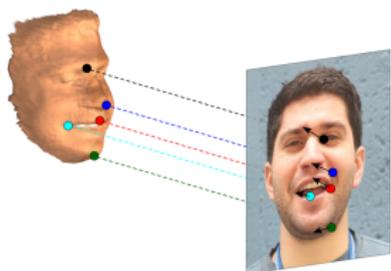


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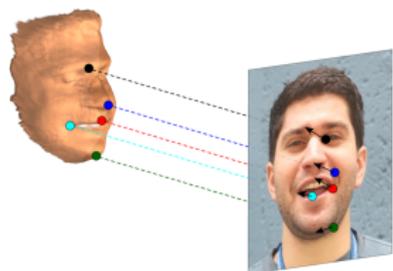


Variational Formulation



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Our Algorithm

- **Initialize** \mathbf{R} and \mathbf{S} using rigid factorisation.
- Minimize energy via **alternation**:
 - **Step 1: Rotation estimation.**
 - **Step 2: Shape estimation.**
- Efficient and highly **parallelizable** algorithm \rightarrow **GPU-friendly**

Result on a Real Sequence



Input Sequence



**Reconstructed Surface
Camera Viewpoint**



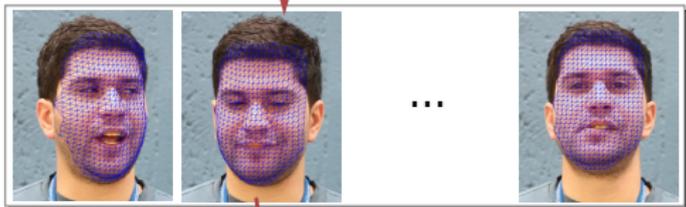
**Reconstructed surface
Side View**

But what about In-the-wild Videos?



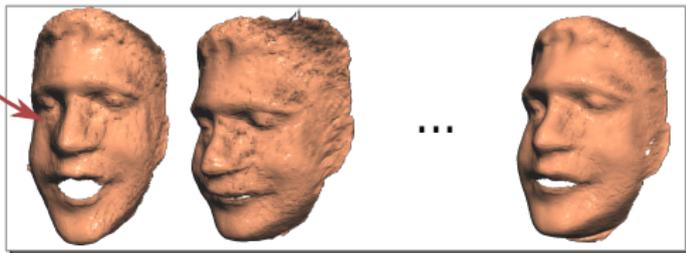
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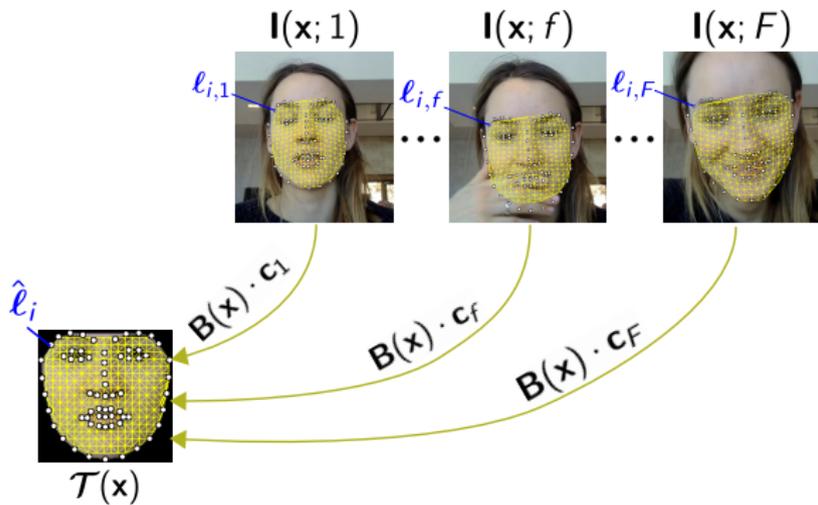
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(Snape, Roussos, Panagakis, Zafeiriou, "Face Flow", ICCV'15)

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Face Flow Energy Formulation



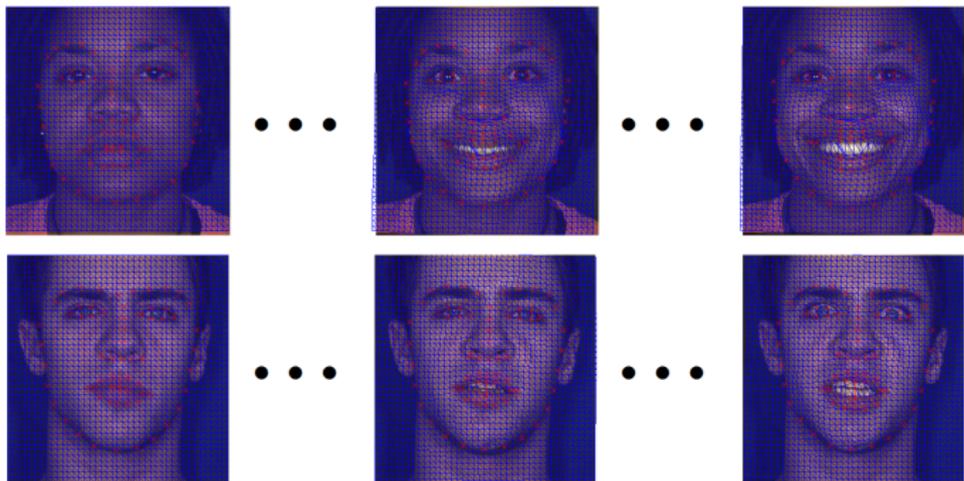
$$C = [\mathbf{c}_1 \cdots \mathbf{c}_f \cdots \mathbf{c}_F] = \left[\begin{array}{c} C_s \\ C_{nr} \end{array} \right] \left. \begin{array}{l} \} \text{similarity (first 4 rows)} \\ \} \text{non-rigid deformations} \end{array} \right\}$$

Minimise w.r.t. C :

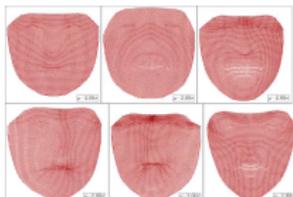
$$\underbrace{\sum_{f=1}^F \int_M \|\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{x}) - I(B(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{c}_f; f)\|^2 dx}_{\text{image data term}} + \beta \underbrace{\sum_{f=1}^F \sum_{i=1}^L \|\mathbf{B}(\hat{\ell}_i) \cdot \mathbf{c}_f - \ell_{i,f}\|^2}_{\text{landmarks term}}, \text{ s.t. } \underbrace{\text{rank}(C_{nr}) \leq \lambda}_{\text{temporal coherence}}$$

Learning the Deformation Basis

- Data-driven MFSF on BU4D videos, using landmarks constraint:



- Computed face deformation basis $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x})$:

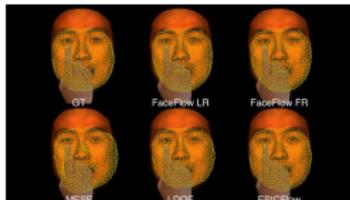


Results of Face Flow

- Real sequence:



- Benchmark sequences:

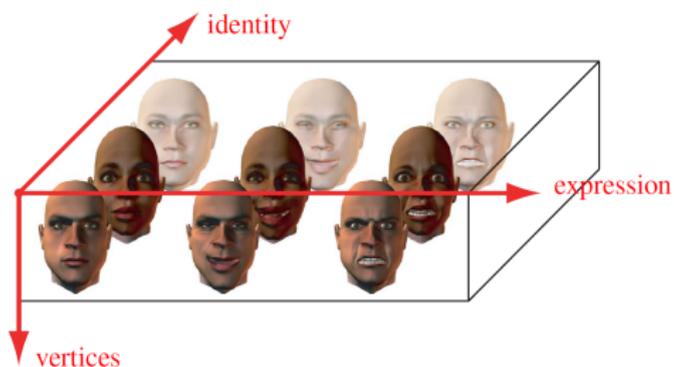


	Original		Illum.		Illum.+Occ.	
	RMSE	AE95	RMSE	AE95	RMSE	AE95
Face Flow Low-Rank	2.95	5.52	3.56	6.63	4.48	8.47
Face Flow Full-Rank	3.24	6.01	3.76	7.02	5.83	11.50
MFSF	1.73	3.20	6.33	13.68	8.25	17.30
LDOF	1.56	2.79	4.84	9.98	6.54	11.44
EPICFlow	1.66	3.25	4.02	9.61	5.15	11.61
SIFTFlow	2.65	5.15	4.89	11.81	11.82	23.05

- LDOF: Large Displacement Optical Flow (Brox and Malik, T-PAMI 2011)
- EPICFlow: Edge-Preserving Interpolation of Correspondences for Optical Flow (Revaud et al., CVPR 2015)
- SIFTFlow: Sift flow (Liu et al, T-PAMI 2011)

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- Bilinear face model:



$$\mathbf{f} \approx \bar{\mathbf{f}} + \mathcal{M} \times_2 \mathbf{w}_2^T \times_3 \mathbf{w}_3^T$$

(Vlasic, Brand, Pfister, Popovic, "Face transfer with multilinear models", SIGGRAPH'06)
(Bolkart, Wuhrer, "A Groupwise Multilinear Correspondence Optimization for 3D Faces", ICCV'15)

Results (Ongoing Work)

Input, cropped



Camera viewpoint



Side viewpoint



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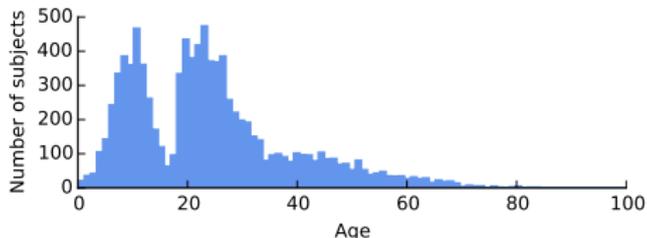


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Large-Scale Facial Modelling (LSFM)



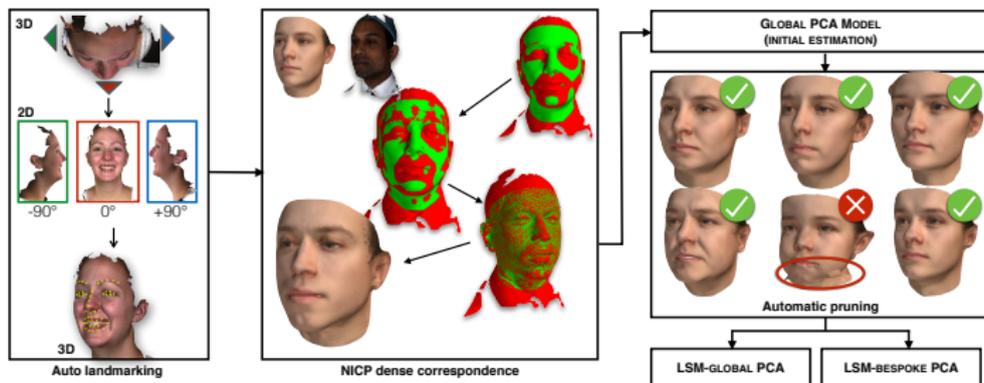
Synthetic faces generated by our LSM model



- High-resolution 3D statistical model
- Automatically built from of $\sim 10,000$ 3D scans
- **Largest-scale** Morphable Model ever constructed
- Model **publicly available**

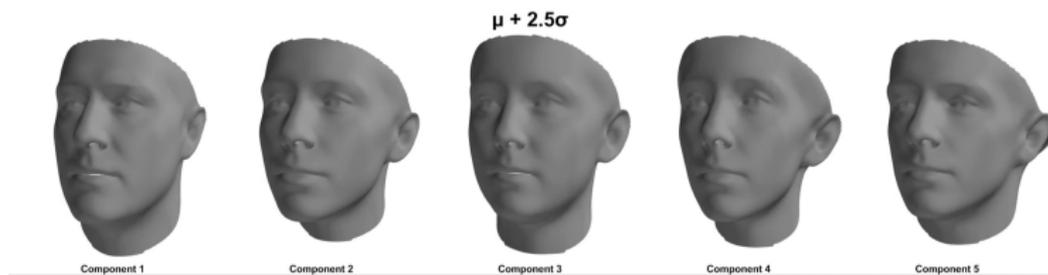
(Booth, Roussos, Zafeiriou, Ponniah, Dunaway, "A 3D Morphable Model learnt from 10,000 faces", CVPR'16)

Automatic Pipeline for Constructing our LSFM models

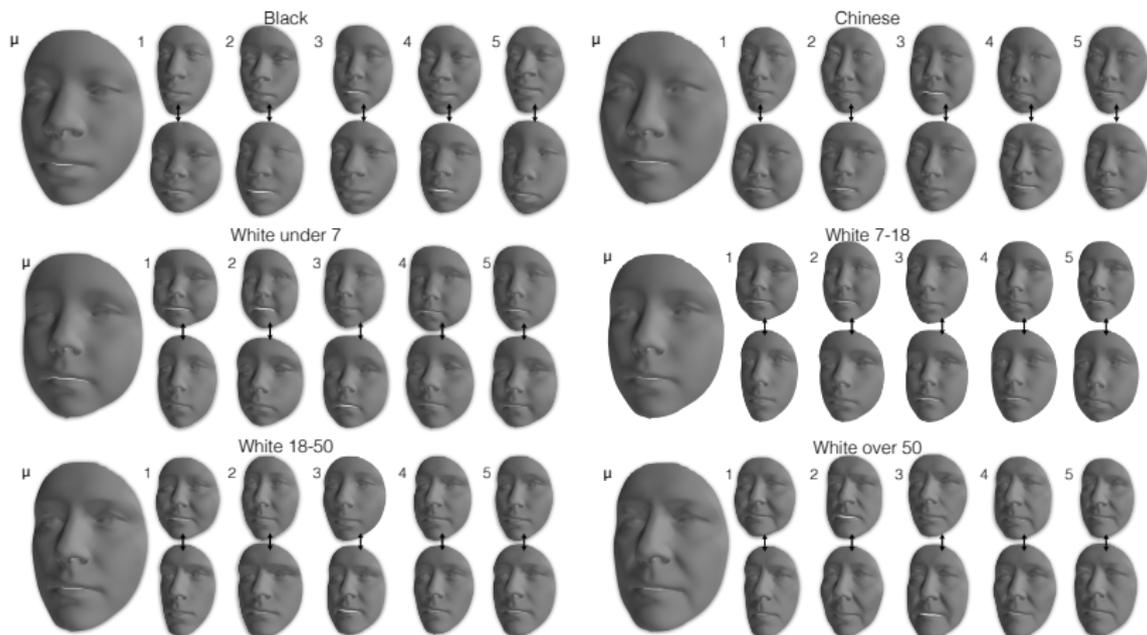


- Fully automatic
- State-of-the-art image localisation on synthetic views
- Natively 3D approach to dense mesh correspondence
- Building **global model** but also **models tailored by age/gender/ethnicity**

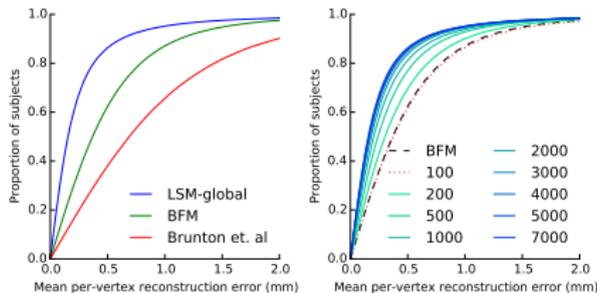
Global LSFM Model



Bespoke LSFM Models



Evaluation of Model Fitting on 3D Scans



- **BFM**: Basel Face Model (Paysan et al. AVSS'09)
- **Brunton et al.**: PCA model of (Brunton et al., CVIU'14)
- **100-7000**: Proposed LSM, built with **varying size of training set** (100-7000 faces)

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- **Dense 3D face modelling** with **unprecedented quality**
 - large-scale datasets are extremely valuable
 - fully-automated construction pipeline
 - far more diverse than existing models