Displacement-Invariant Matching Cost Learning for Accurate Optical Flow Estimation – Supplementary Material

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Abstract

In this supplementary material, we provide (a) more implementation details, (b) robustness analysis of our proposed method, and (c) our qualitative results on the FlyingChairs and FlyingThings datasets.

1 More Implementation Details

Datasets The datasets used in our work include FlyingChairs [3], FlyingThings [6], KITTI 2015 [7], and MPI Sintel [2]. The FlyingChairs dataset is generated by segmented images of chairs and random background images, with 22, 232 image pairs for training and 640 image pairs for validation. The FlyingThings dataset is also a synthetic dataset but much closer to real-world scenes, including 21, 818 training and 4, 248 validation pairs. The KITTI 2015 dataset includes 200 image pairs for training and 200 pairs for testing. Its ground truth labels are marked by accurate 3D CAD models and hence the number of samples is limited. The Sintel dataset provides naturalistic image pairs derived from an open-resource film (with 3D annotation), with 1041 training samples and 552 testing samples. During training, we crop the input images to a size of [256, 384], [384, 768], [256, 1024], and [384, 768] separately on the FlyingChairs, FlyingThings, KITTI 2015, and Sintel datasets.

Network Architecture Our network consists of a feature net, a matching net, a motion-aware projection layer, a 2D soft-argmin module, and a context network. We adopt the feature extraction module of GANet [11] as our feature net with some modifications: we employ five pyramid levels and project the features of each pyramid level into 32 dimensions (dims) by a 3×3 convolution layer. The structure of the matching net and motion-aware projection layer has been provided in the main paper Section 4.1. The context network takes the predicted flow (2 dims), the entropy of the flow¹ (1 dim), the corresponding level pyramid feature (32 dims), and the resized input image (3 dims) as the input. We show the context network structure of the 1/4 resolution level in Table 1.

2 Robustness Analysis

Recently it has been found that adversarial attacks can fool deep neural networks with just a small patch, *i.e.*, several pixels can mislead the whole prediction result. To analyze the robustness of our proposed method, we perform an adversarial attack on our network. We use the white-box attack method proposed in [9] and try to learn a small patch to fool our network. An example of the learned

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¹We define the entropy of each pixel as: $h = -\sum_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{U}} P(\mathbf{u}) \log(P(\mathbf{u}))$, where $P(\mathbf{u})$ represents the probability of displacement \mathbf{u} .

Table 1: The layer parameter description of the context network. The first two columns indicate the input and output dimension of this layer. The kernel size is the size of the convolution kernel, padding is the shape of zero-padding added to the input, and dilation is the dilation rate. The ReLU, BN, and Bias columns describe if the layer adopt these componenets.

Input Dim	Output Dim	Kernel Size	Padding	Dilation	ReLU	BN	Bias
38	64	3	1	1	Yes	Yes	No
64	128	3	2	2	Yes	Yes	No
128	128	3	4	4	Yes	Yes	No
128	96	3	8	8	Yes	Yes	No
96	64	3	16	16	Yes	Yes	No
64	32	3	1	1	Yes	Yes	No
32	2	3	1	1	No	No	Yes

Table 2: **Optical Flow Methods' Performance Against Adversarial Attacks.** The patch size used by the adversarial attack is indicated by pixels, *e.g.*, 25×25 . The column 'Diff' denotes the relative EPE difference after attacks. The results are reported on the KITTI 2015 training set.

	Unattacked	25x25		51x51		102x102		153x153	
Network	EPE	EPE	Diff	EPE	Diff	EPE	Diff	EPE	Diff
FlowNetC [3]	14.56	29.07	+14.51	40.27	+25.51	82.41	+67.85	95.32	+80.76
FlowNet2 [4]	11.90	17.04	+5.14	24.42	+12.52	38.57	+26.67	59.58	+47.68
SpyNet [8]	20.26	20.59	+0.33	21.00	+0.74	21.22	+0.96	21.00	+0.74
PWC-Net [10]	11.03	11.37	+0.34	11.50	+0.47	11.86	+0.83	12.52	+1.49
Back2Future [5]	17.49	18.04	+0.55	18.24	+0.75	18.73	+1.24	18.43	+0.94
Ours	8.98	9.17	+0.19	9.30	+0.32	9.52	+0.54	9.61	+0.63

patch (with a diameter of 51 pixels) is shown in Figure 1. Inside the patch, the network is confused about the motion in this region. However, its prediction on other areas is still confident and not fooled by the adversarial example. We also provide a quantitative robustness analysis in Table 2. The results of other methods come from [9], using the same attacking method. Our approach achieves the lowest EPE no matter if adversarial examples are utilized, and the relative EPE difference is smaller than all other methods, which demonstrates the robustness of our method.



Figure 1: A Qualitative Example of the Adversarial Attack. Following the setting of [9], a circular patch is learned and added to the image. Our method is robust to the white-box attack, *i.e.*, the neighbouring regions are not fooled by the added patch. Since there is no motion within the patch, our method predicts zero motions.

3 Qualitative Examples

We provide the qualitative examples of FlyingChairs and FlyingThings datasets in Figure 2. Our method could predict accurate optical flows although the input image pairs may be noisy (especially the examples from FlyingChairs) and unrealistic. The ground truth and predicted flows are visualized following the Middlebury color style [1].

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Figure 2: Qualitative Results on the FlyingChairs and FlyingThings dataset. The top two rows come from the FlyingChairs validation set while the bottom two are from the FlyingThings validation set.

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