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Mobile Robotics

Simultaneous Localization and Mapping

SLAM II

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SLAM

Simultaneous Localization and Mapping

Convert imprecise raw sensor data into map and localization

The magic: due to multi-view geometry the coherent map is more precise than individual sensor measurements



Handcrafted detectors/ descriptors

SIFT - Scale Invariant Feature Transform (Lowe, 2004)

SURF - Speed up Robust Feature (Bay, Tuytelaars and Van Gool, 2008)

BRIEF - Binary Robust Independent Elementary Features (Calonder, Lepetit, Strecha, and Fua, 2010)

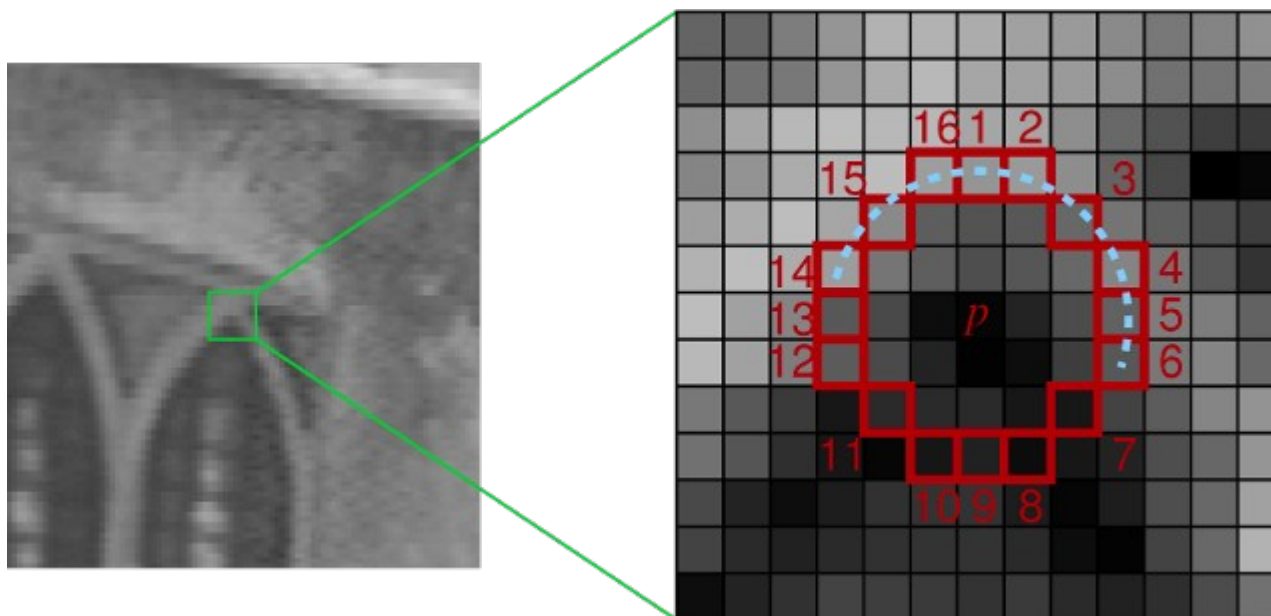
ORB - Oriented FAST and Rotated BRIEF (Rublee, Rabaud, Konolige and Bradsk, 2011)

FAST detector

Features from accelerated segment test (FAST)

Corner detection method

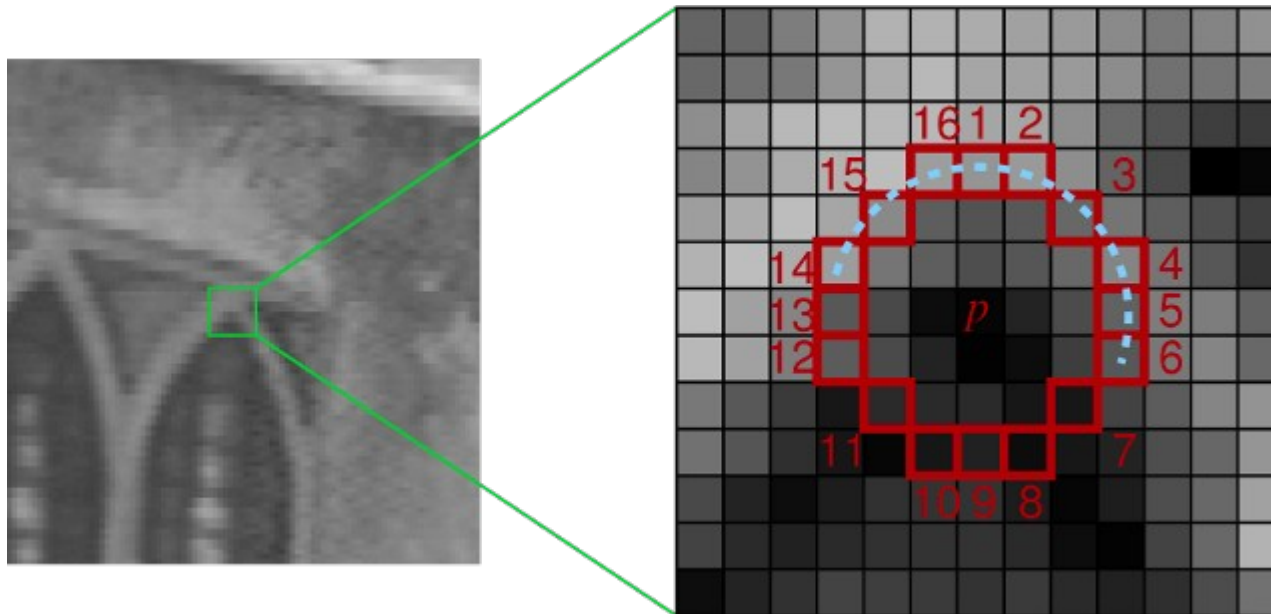
Edward Rosten and Tom Drummond, 2006



FAST detector

Each pixel in the Bresenham circle of radius 3 is labeled (1 to 16 clockwise).

If a set of N contiguous pixels in the circle are all brighter than the intensity of candidate pixel p plus a threshold value t or all darker than the intensity of candidate pixel p minus threshold value t , then p is classified as corner. Typical N is 12.





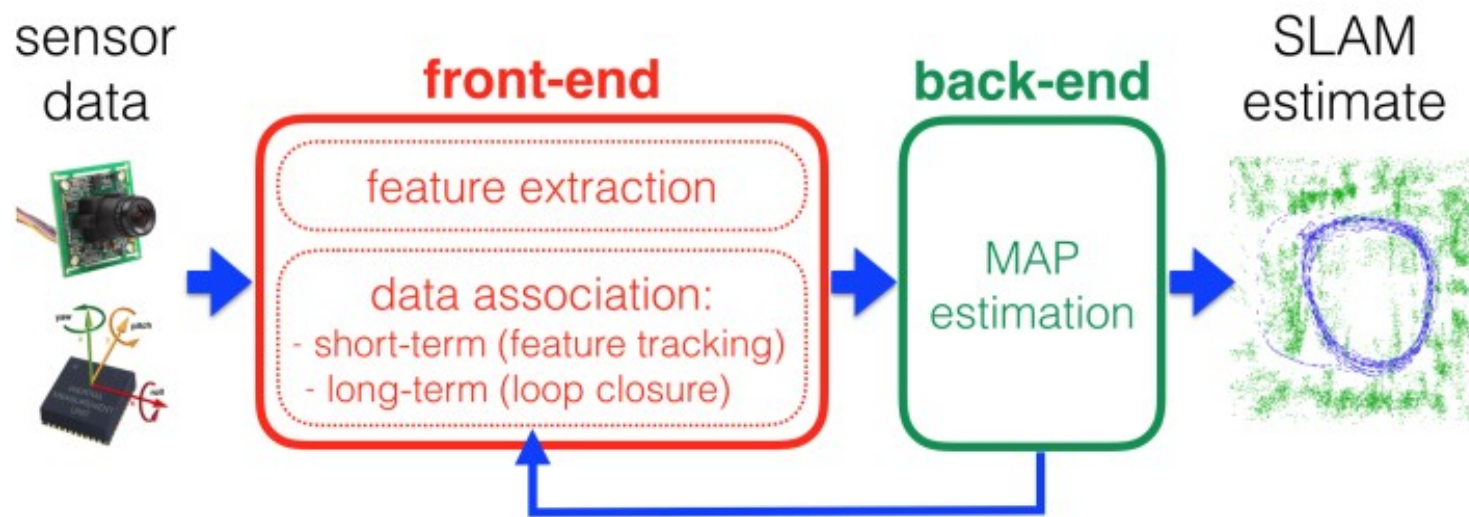
Modern SLAM

Graph based

The vertices in the graph are entities that we want to estimate (robot positions, points in the world)

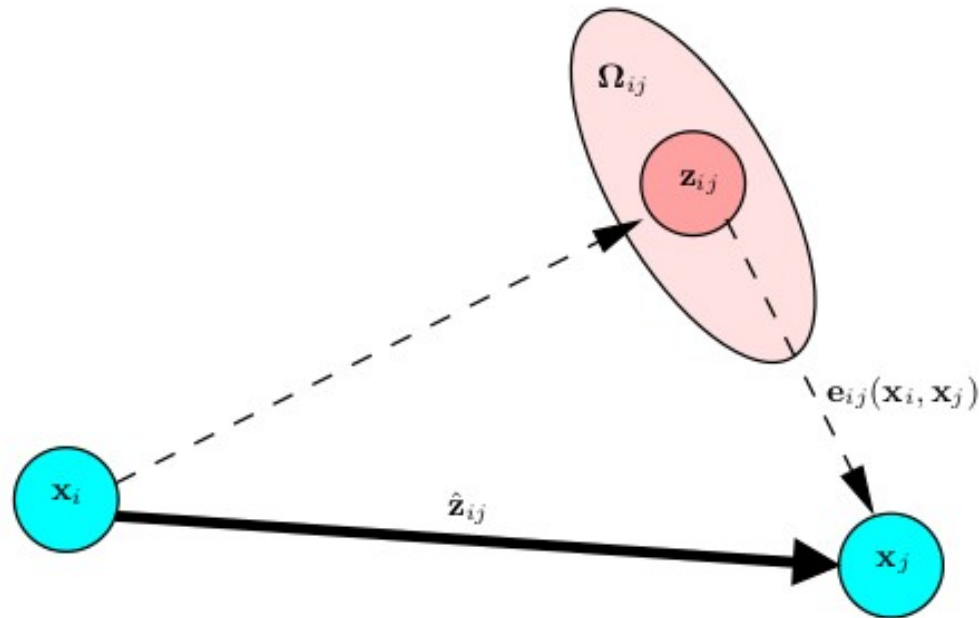
Edges represent constraints between these entities which are derived from raw sensor data

Graph SLAM



Cadena et al. 2016

Graph SLAM



Aspects of an edge connecting the vertex x_i and the vertex x_j .

This edge originates from the measurement z_{ij} .

From the relative position of the two nodes, it is possible to compute the expected measurement \hat{z}_{ij} that represents x_j seen in the frame of x_i .

The error $e_{ij}(x_i, x_j)$ depends on the displacement between the expected and the real measurement.

An edge is fully characterized by its error function $e_{ij}(x_i, x_j)$ and by the information matrix Ω_{ij} of the measurement that accounts for its uncertainty.



Deep Learning and SLAM

Deep learning relies on training data ...

What about unknown environments?



DF-SLAM

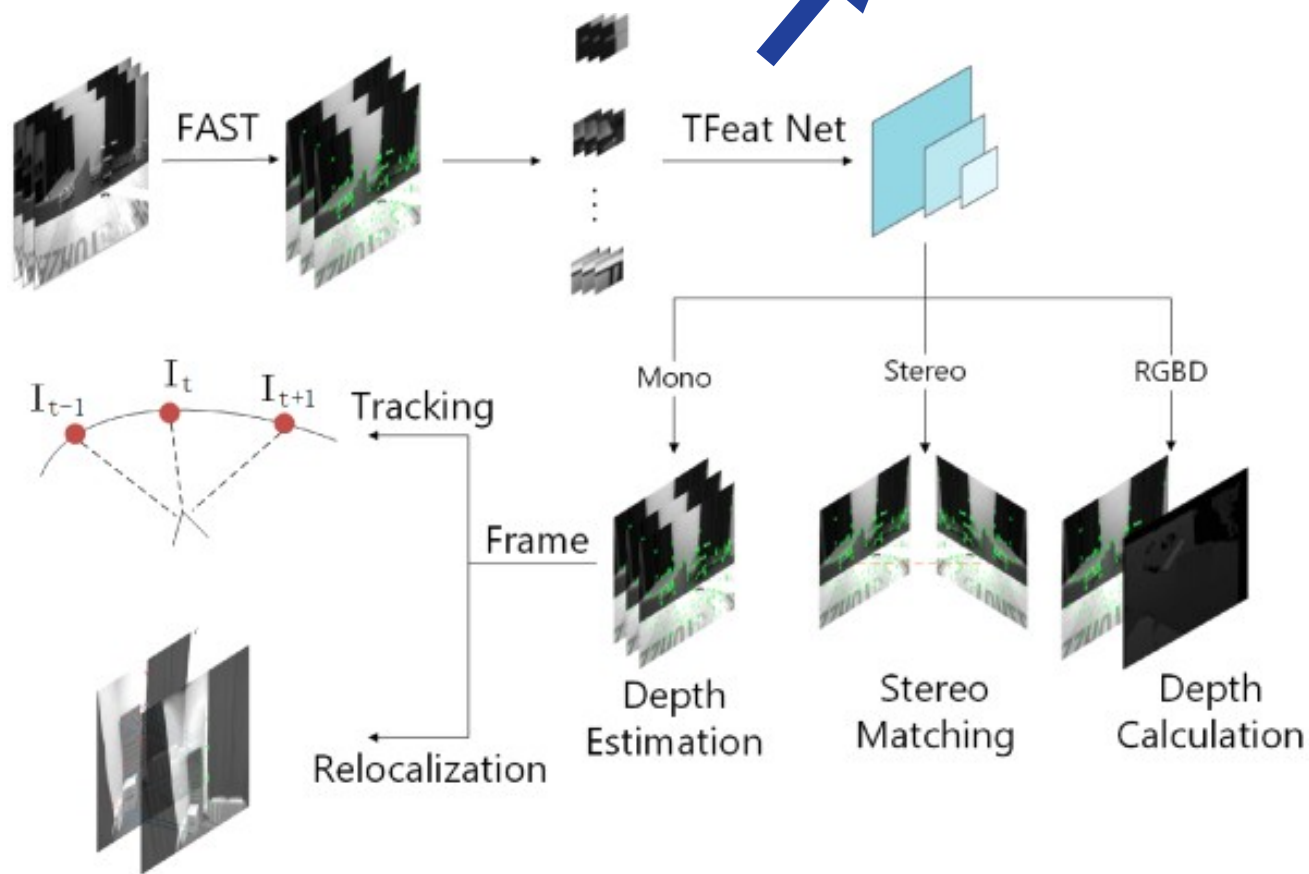
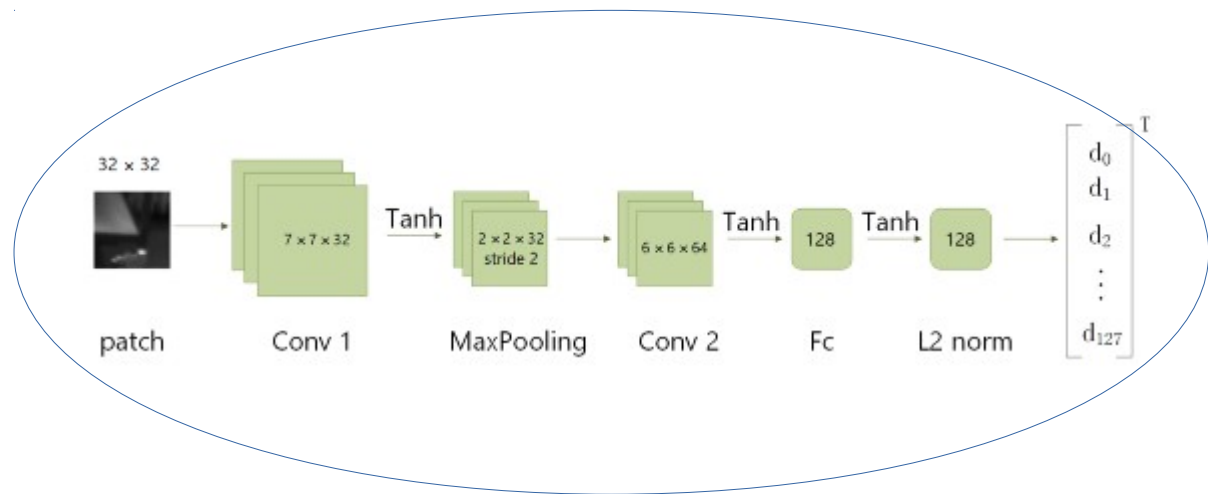
Deep local features SLAM

improve robustness of local feature
descriptor with DL

learned local feature descriptors

Kang et al. 2019

DF-SLAM



SLAM with dynamic object detection and removal

Dynamic object detection with Yolo v3

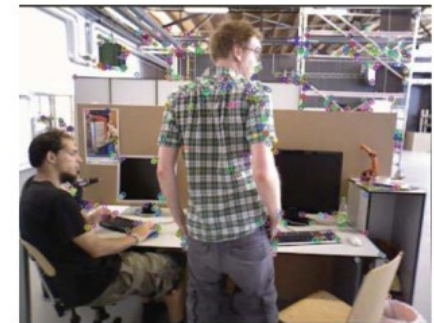
Yolo works on entire image, thus it is fast for object detection (1000 times faster than R-CNN and 100 times faster than Faster R-CNN)

It adopts Feature Pyramid Networks to achieve multi-scale detection

Dynamic POI removal

It should be taken into account that dynamic objects don't move significantly among successive frames

Zhang et al., 2019



(a) Extract features directly



(b) Delete feature points on dynamic objects



(c) Extract feature points after unifying gray values
Fig.5 Feature extraction excluding dynamic object

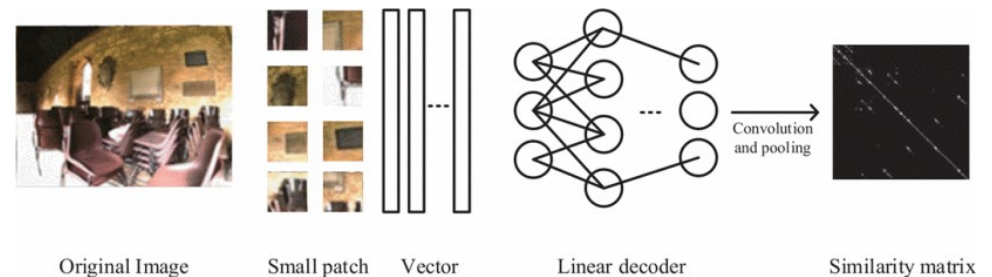
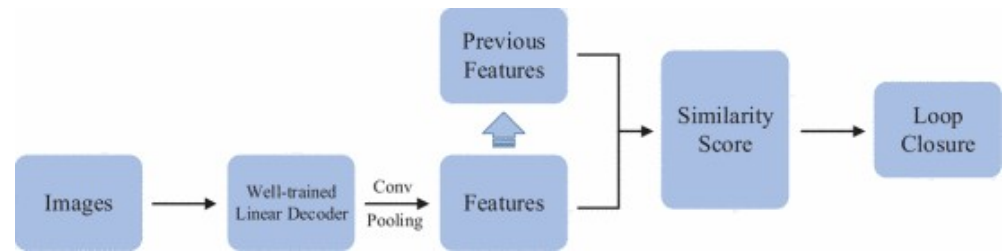
Loop Closure Detection for Visual SLAM Based on Deep Learning

Loop Closure detection is a key link in SLAM, which means that the mobile robot judges whether the current location has been visited.

The closed loop can effectively reduce the accumulated error of the robot pose estimation

Inaccurate loop closure information can affect the SLAM backend graph optimization, which incorrectly modifies the generated map, resulting in map building and localization errors.

Hu et al., 2017



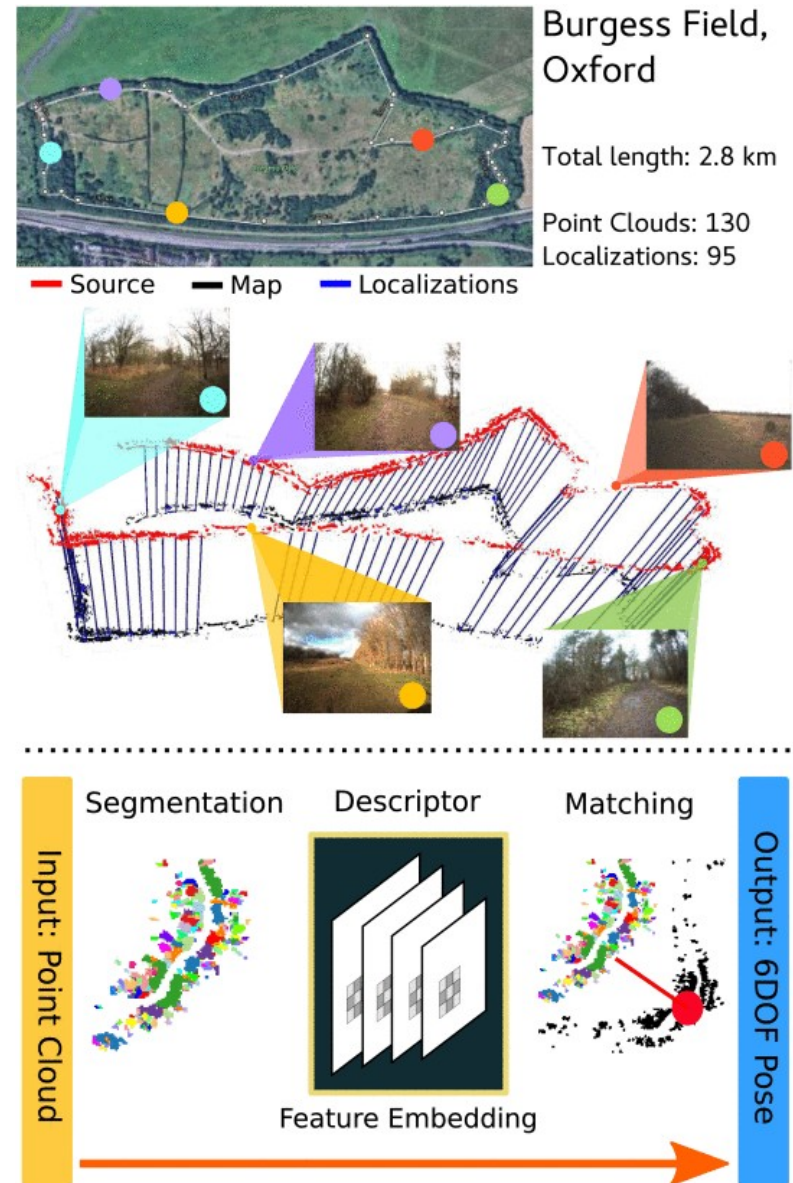
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Deep learning approach to learn descriptors directly from 3D point clouds

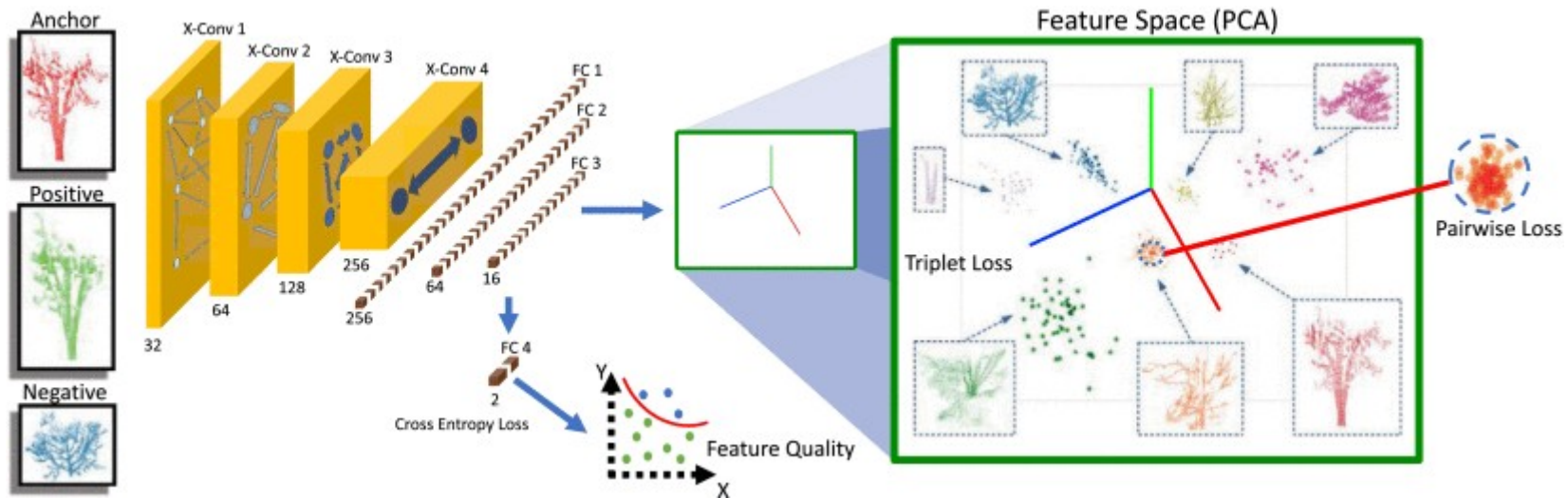
It compares triplets: anchor, positive, and negative examples

It learns a feature space representation for a set of segmented point clouds that are matched between a current and previous observations.

Tinchev et al., 2019



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Network architecture used for learning the feature embeddings (left) and a visualization of the embedding space after training (right).

The network takes as input raw point data, it uses four x-convolutional layers (X-conv) and three fully connected (FC) layers to estimate the feature space.

A feature quality branch is also created by appending a fully connected layer to the feature embedding.

The network learns to cluster similar objects (denoted in the same colour) close together while separating dissimilar objects.


The final feature descriptor is trained using a combination of triplet and pairwise losses.



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