

Global Shape Matching

Section 3.7: Spectral Matching and Applications



Quadratic Assignment Model

Quadratic Assignment

- Matrix notation:

$$P^{(match)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P_i^{(single)} \prod_{i,j=1}^n P_{i,j}^{(compatible)}$$

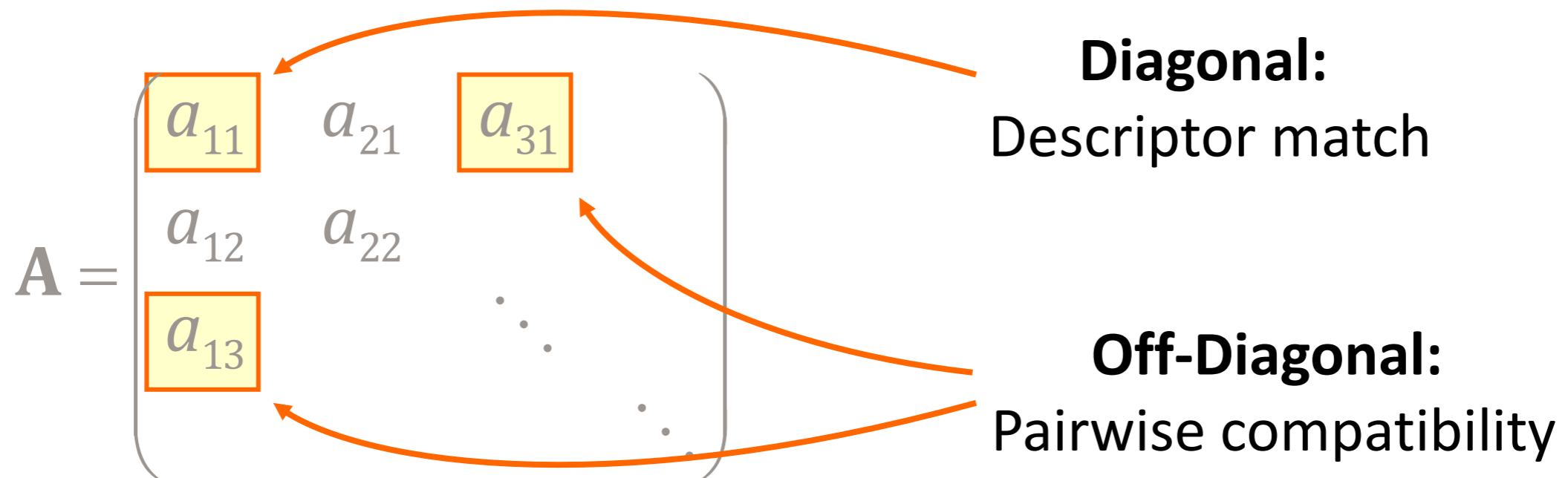
$$\begin{aligned} \log P^{(match)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_i^{(single)} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n \log P_{i,j}^{(compatible)} \\ &= \mathbf{xS} + \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Dx} \end{aligned}$$

- Quadratic scores are encoded in Matrix **D**
- Linear scores are encoded in Vector **s**
- Task: find optimal binary vector **x**

Spectral Matching

Simple & Effective Approximation:

- Spectral matching [Leordeanu & Hebert 05]
- Form compatibility matrix:



All entries within [0..1]
= [no match...perfect match]

Spectral Matching

Approximate largest clique:

- Compute eigenvector with largest eigenvalue
- Maximizes Rayleigh quotient:

$$\arg \max \frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}$$

- **“Best yield” for bounded norm**
 - The more consistent pairs (rows of 1s), the better
 - Approximates largest clique
- **Implementation**
 - For example: power iteration

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Post-processing

- **Greedy quantization**
 - Select largest remaining entry, set it to 1
 - Set all entries to 0 that are not pairwise consistent with current set
 - Iterate until all entries are quantized

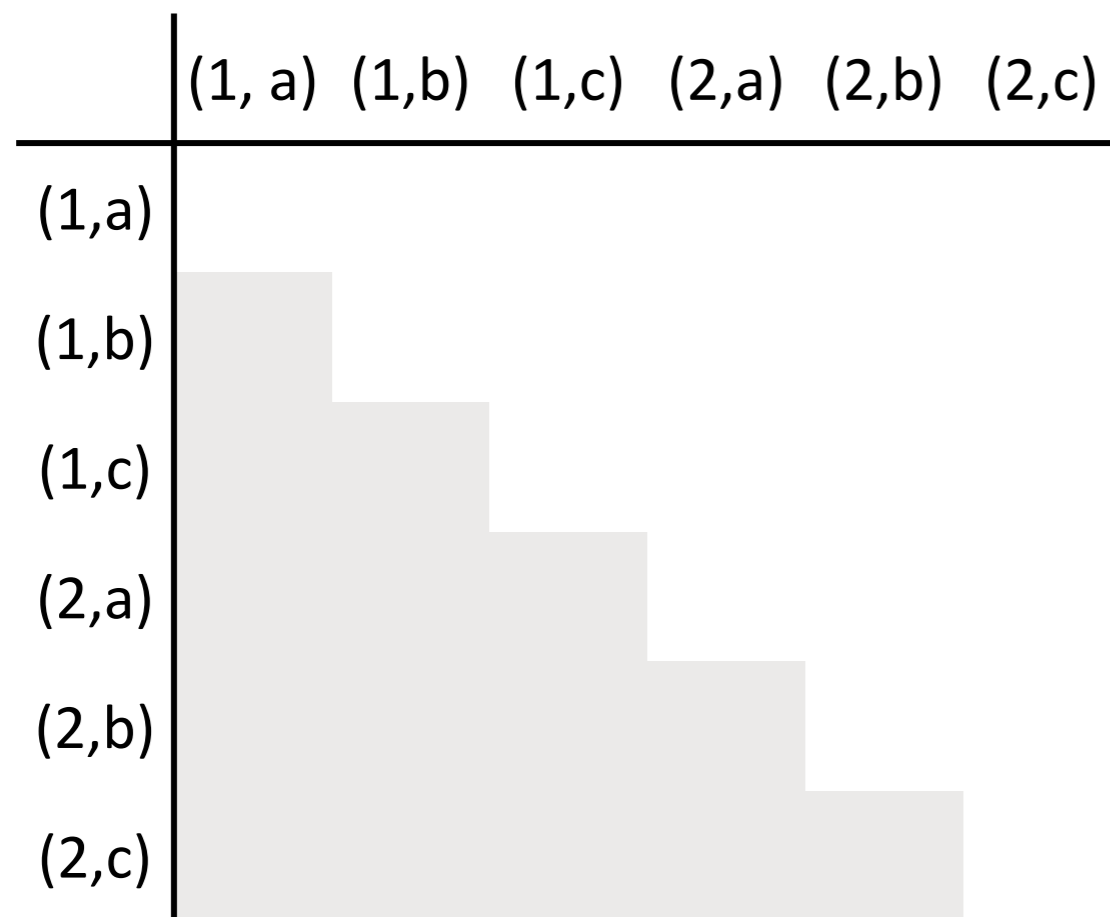
In practice...

- This algorithm turns out to work quite well.
- Very easy to implement
- Limited to (approx.) quadratic assignment model

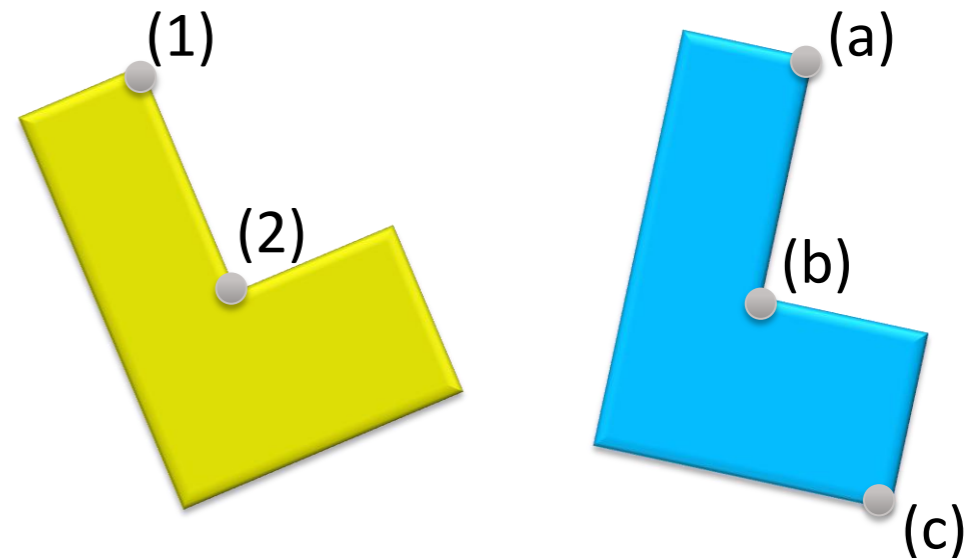
Simple Numerical Example

Consider matching some points two simple 2D shapes

1. Form compatibility matrix



(Symmetric matrix)



On a rough scale of 0 to 100

- 0 == not compatible
- 100 == very compatible

Diagonal values:

- *Descriptor match score*

Off-diagonal values:

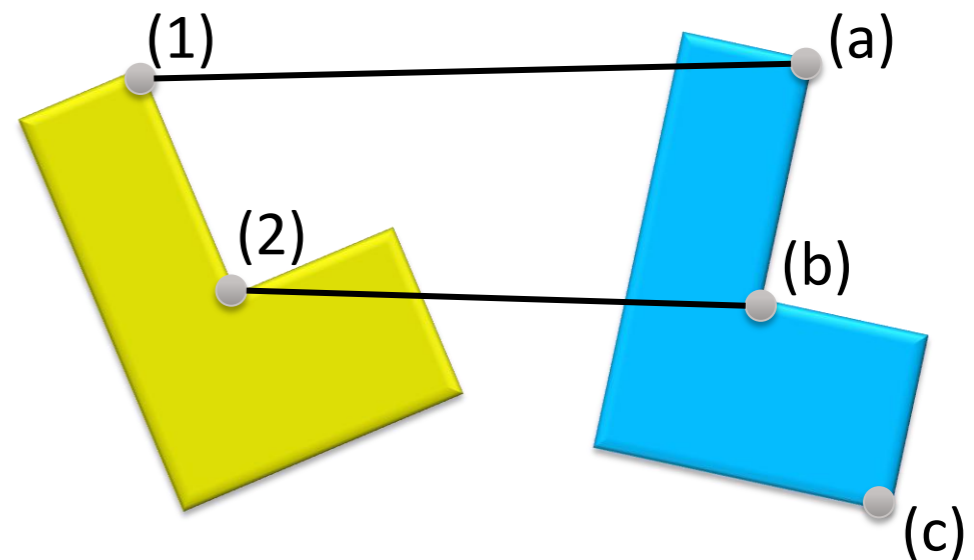
- *Pairwise compatibility*
- *ex) For (1, a) & (2,c) compare distance between 1—2 & a—c*

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2. Compute e-vals / e-vecs

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%% Matlab spectral matching example
M = [ 0  0  0  0 100  50;
      0  0  0 100  0 100;
      0  0  0  50 100  0;
      0  0  0  0  0  0;
      0  0  0  0  0  0;
      0  0  0  0  0  0];
M = (M + M.') + diag([100 50 75 50 100 50])
[V,D] = eig(M); evals = diag(D); [val, idx] = max(evals);
Largest = evals(idx) * V(:,idx)
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3. Pick best matches, remove constraint violators

- One-to-one mapping constraint

Match	Score
(1,a)	125.5
(1,b)	59.5
(1,c)	106.0
(2,a)	56.7
(2,b)	155.8
(2,c)	61.6

Result:

1. Take (2,b)

- Remove (1,b), (2,c), (2,a)

2. Take (1,a)

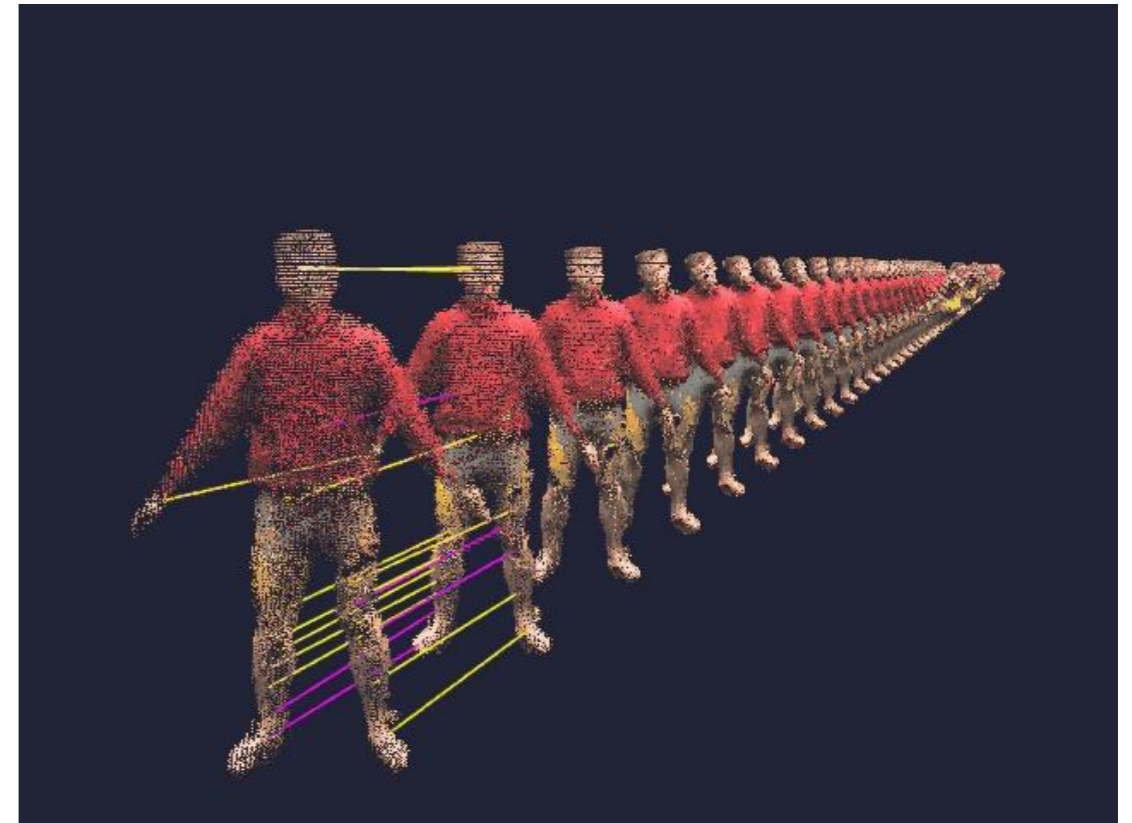
- Remove (1,c)

3. Done!

Spectral Matching Example

Application to Animations

- **Feature points:**
Geometric MLS-SIFT features [Li et al. 2005]
- **Descriptors:**
Curvature & color ring histograms
- **Global Filtering:**
Spectral matching
- **Pairwise animation matching:**
Low precision passive stereo data



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