LASSIE: Learning Articulated Shape from Sparse Image Ensemble via 3D Part Discovery



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Prior works

 Rely on statistical shape model, human annotations on images, or temporal correspondence in videos



SMAL [1]





SMALR [2]









LASR [3]

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- Inputs: 10-30 in-the-wild images of an animal class
- **Outputs**: camera viewpoint, pose articulation, and deformable shape
- No pre-defined shape model, per-image annotations, or temporal information

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Self-supervised part discovery

- 3D shape and part annotations are hard to obtain
- Part discovery by learning to reconstruct

Representation: Skeleton-based Neural Part Surfaces

Canonical

Resting pose

Canonical articulation

Camera-space articulation

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Datasets

Pascal-part [1]: horse, cow, sheep



Our image ensemble: zebra, tiger, giraffe, elephant, kangaroo, penguin

Image & keypoints



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Qualitative Comparisons – 3D reconstruction



Qualitative Comparisons – 2D (part) segmentation









Input









DINO clustering









3D Safari









A-CSM











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Applications - animation





Applications – pose/motion transfer



Source



Target pose/motion

Result

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First approach for articulated shape reconstruction from sparse image ensemble in-the-wild

Key advantages

- In-the-wild images
- Self-supervised
- SOTA reconstruction accuracy
- Semantically consistent part discovery

Main technical contributions

- Skeleton-based neural part surfaces
- Latent part prior learning
- Semantic consistency loss based on self-supervised ViT features

