Efficient 3D Deep Learning

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Abstract of the talk

Recent advancements in 3D deep learning have drastically increased the performance of automated 3D analysis, but also the size and requirement of models. These approaches suffer from long training times, substantial hardware requirements, and impractical runtimes for autonomous driving and mobile mapping applications. In this talk, we introduce two methods that leverage the unique structure of large 3D point clouds to improve efficiency and performance.

Our first superpoint-based strategy achieves state-of-the-art performance for 3D semantic segmentation with over 200 times fewer parameters than the best-performing networks. Our models can be trained in under 3h on low-level GPUs and perform 3D semantic and panoptic segmentation at an unprecedented scale: entire buildings or city blocks can be processed at once.

We also present a novel approach to processing 3D LiDAR data streams in real time. By exploiting the complex acquisition geometry of rotating sensors, our model achieves results comparable to models over 50 times larger. With a run time accelerated by over 5-fold, our method is the first real-time and high-precision model for mobile platforms.