

Detection of defined human poses for video surveillance

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Compucon NZ

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- First New Zealand PC maker to design and produce Dual Socket file servers with RAID in 1998.
- Compucon NZ is a computing system manufacturer and a digital technology system integrator.
- The company has performed as an Industry Partner for University of Auckland since 2002.



Aim and motivation

- Traditional video surveillance system record all the information for potential later use. This consumes a huge amount of storage space.
- Modern commercial video surveillance systems are capable of recording video only when there is any movement detected. This towards reducing the bandwidth of data transmission and video storage.
- Motion detection results are still inaccurate to some degree, which may lead to false detection.

Data collection

ACM-1511 IPVS camera

Selectable MPEG-4, MJPEG

8 fps at 1280x1024 SXGA resolution

Indoor environment

Monocular camera

NVR system

Transfer data over Ethernet

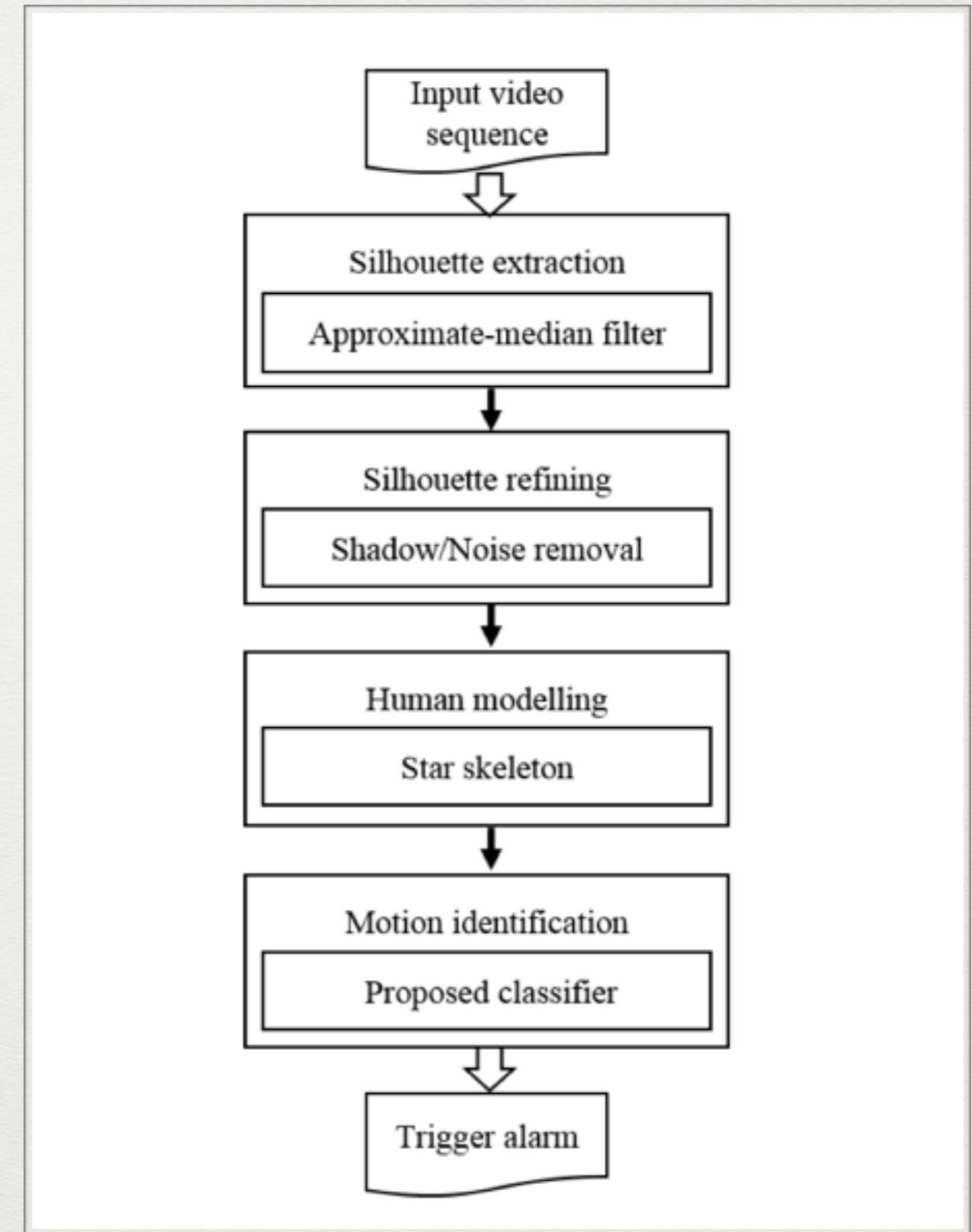


Steps of proposed system

Start with extracting a “fairly” accurate human silhouette by using approximate median filtering[1].

Matching a human model by using star skeletonization[2].

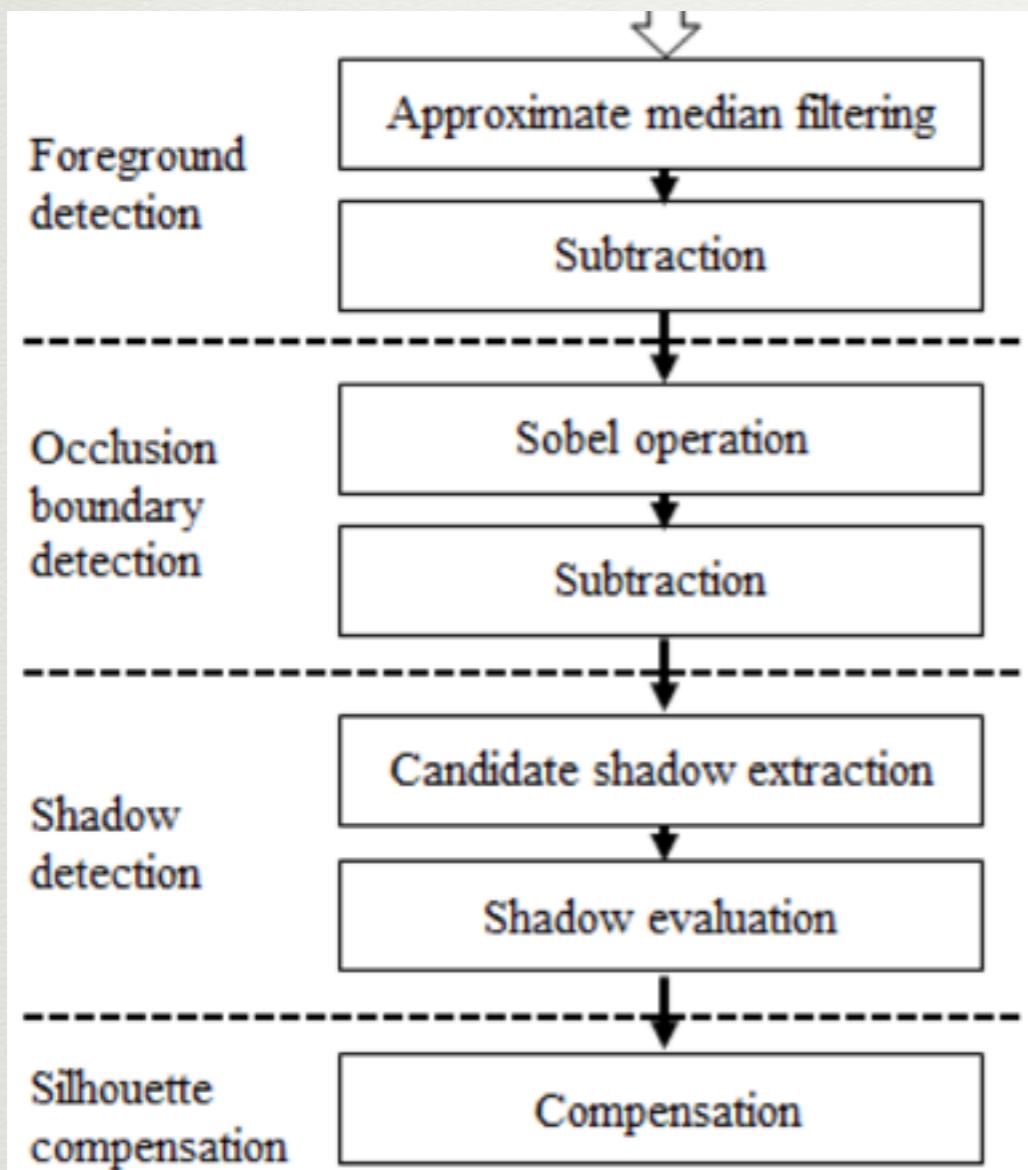
We show how star skeletons can be used to identify human poses characterised by raised hands.



[1] Z. P. Wang, B.-S. Shin, and R. Klette. Accurate silhouette extraction of a person in video data by shadow evaluation. *J. Computer Theory Engineering*, 6:476–483, 2014.

[2] H. Fujiyoshi and A. J. Lipton. Real-time human motion analysis by image skeletonization. In Proc. IEEE Workshop Applications Computer Vision, pages 15–21, 1998.

Silhouette extraction

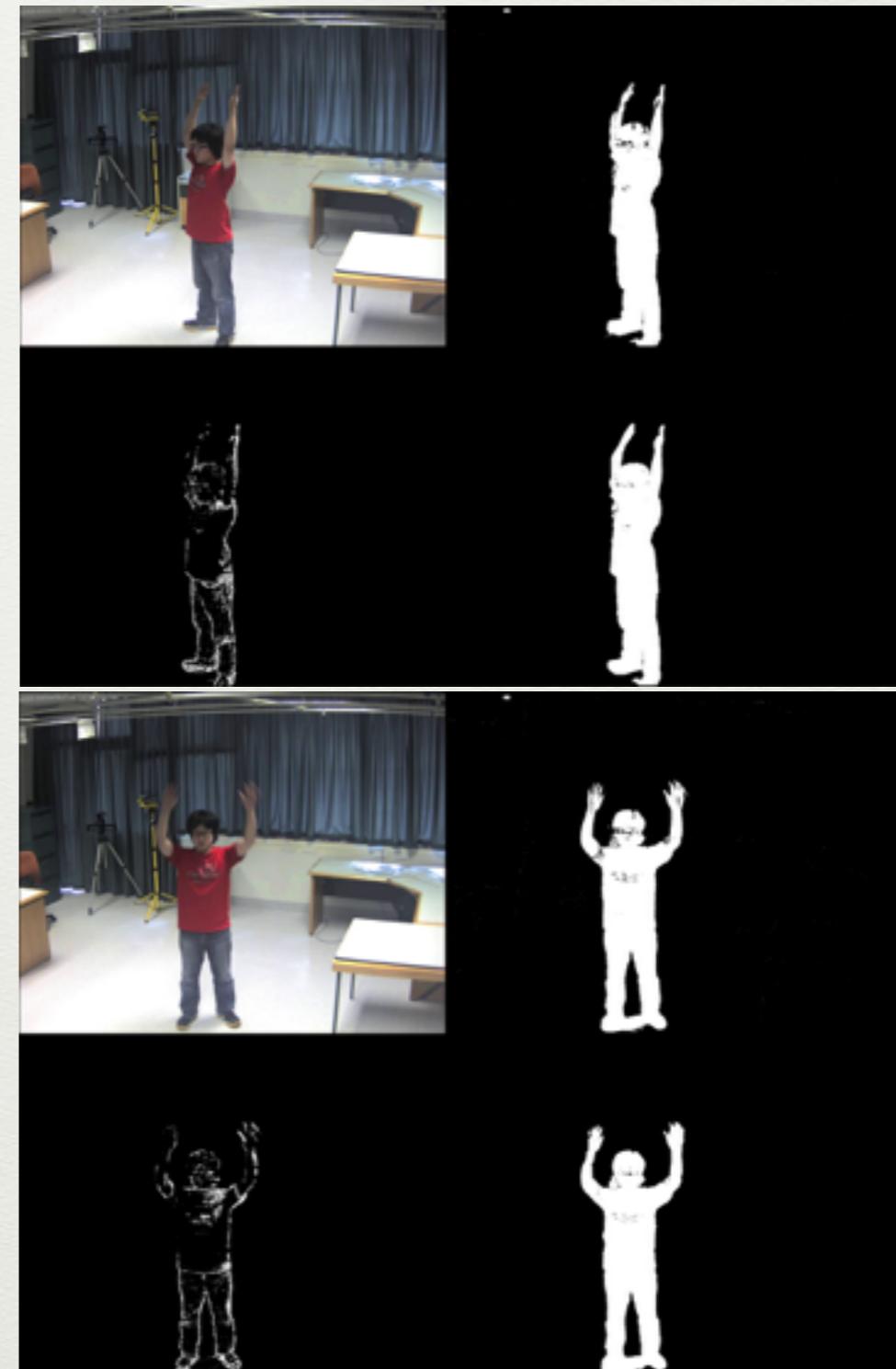


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Silhouette extraction

The background of the video sequence is updated by using
Approximate median filter[1]

$$B(x, y, t) = \begin{cases} B(x, y, t - 1) + 1, & \text{if } I(x, y, t) > B(x, y, t - 1) \\ B(x, y, t - 1) - 1, & \text{if } I(x, y, t) < B(x, y, t - 1) \end{cases}$$

- $I(x, y, t)$ - the value of an image pixel at position (x, y) at time t
- $B(x, y, t)$ - the value of a background pixel at position (x, y) at time t
- $I(x, y, 0)$ be the initial value of $B(x, y, 0)$.

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Background Subtraction

$$F(x, y, t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |I(x, y, t) - B(x, y, t - 1)| > \sigma_t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\sigma_t = \sqrt{\left(\sum_{x=1}^{N_{cols}} \sum_{y=1}^{N_{rows}} (I(x, y, t) - \mu_t)^2 \right) / |\Omega|} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{with } \mu_t = \left(\sum_{x=1}^{N_{cols}} \sum_{y=1}^{N_{rows}} I(x, y, t) \right) / |\Omega| \quad (4)$$

- Sigma is the standard deviation of all the intensity value of frame at time t

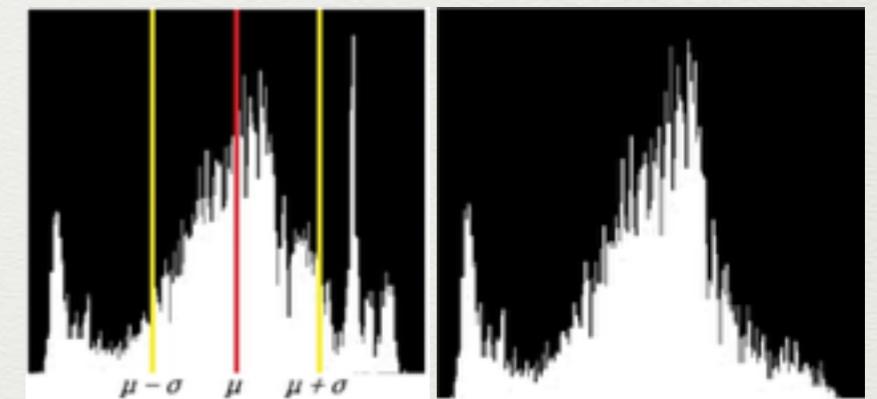
Foreground extraction

- Using the Sobel operator as a simple and robust edge estimator on the subtracted background image for obtaining raw occlusion boundaries of a person
- Subtracting the background boundaries from the raw occlusion boundaries (of a person) in order to extract the true occlusion border of a person.
- Filling the true occlusion border to obtain the foreground mask ,also called the silhouette.

Silhouette refining

- Shadow removal - candidate shadow detection and shadow evaluation.
 - Most of shadow pixels is far away from the top of the normal distribution of horizontal histogram.

$$S(x, y, t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } F(x, y, t) = 1 \\ & \text{and } |I(x, y, t) - \mu| > \sigma \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



- Noise removal - Morphological erosion.
 - large blob removed by coating total number of pixels.
 - Set a fixed threshold 800 (approx. one third of total number of border pixels of a person)
- Reducing noise features and connecting isolated body part
 - applying dilation twice followed by an erosion.

Star skeletonization

There are five steps:

Step 1: Trace the border of the extracted silhouette.

Step 2: Find the centre of gravity of the target border.

$$x_c = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i, \quad y_c = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N y_i$$

Step 3: Define a distance function $D(i)$ which is the distance between the centre of gravity and each border pixel point.

$$D(i) = \sqrt{(x_i - x_c)^2 + (y_i - y_c)^2}$$

Star skeletonization (cont.)

Step 4: Smooth the distance signal $D(i)$ by applying a low-pass filter in the frequency domain. The low pass filter has a cutoff- threshold \mathbf{a} for filtering out the high-frequency components. Let $\mathbf{D}(u)$ be the Fourier transform of $D(i)$. We set,

$$\mathbf{D}(u) = 0 \text{ if } |u| \geq a \cdot N$$

- u as the frequency coordinate
- N as the total number of border pixels
- $a = 0.0004$ as the threshold for our experiment.
 - 0.015 suggested in the paper[1] but with a much lower resolution.
 - The lower \mathbf{a} , the more maxima will be found.

Star skeletonization (cont.)

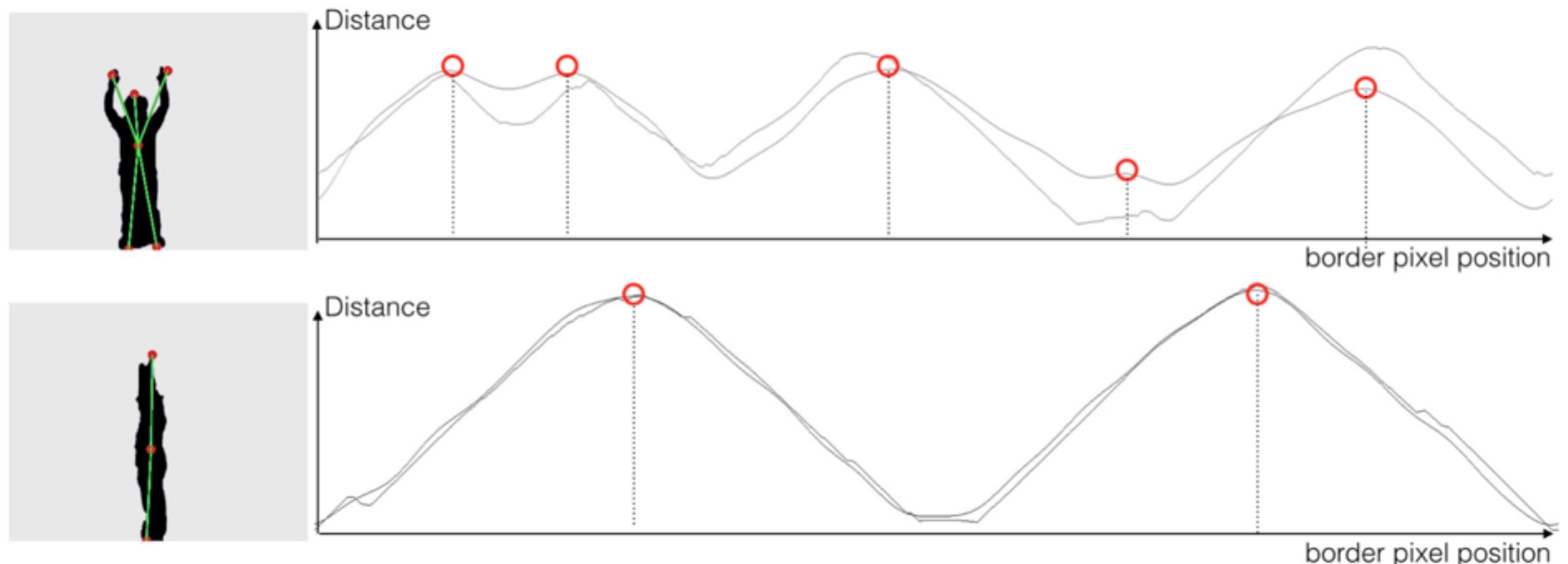


Figure 4: Right: Original distance signal D and smoothed distance signal \hat{D} defined by a low pass in the Fourier domain. Left: Calculated skeletons.

Step 5: Taken all local maxima in the filtered signal $\mathbf{D}(u)$

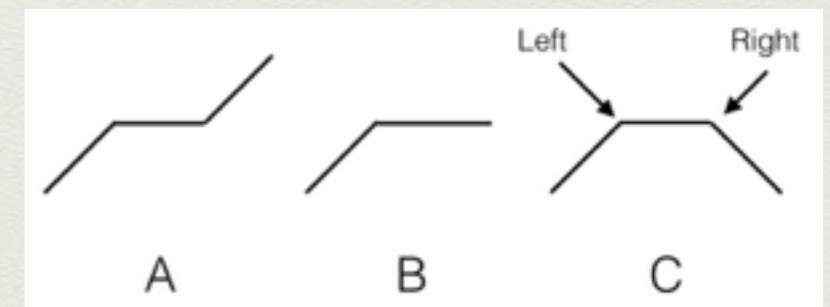


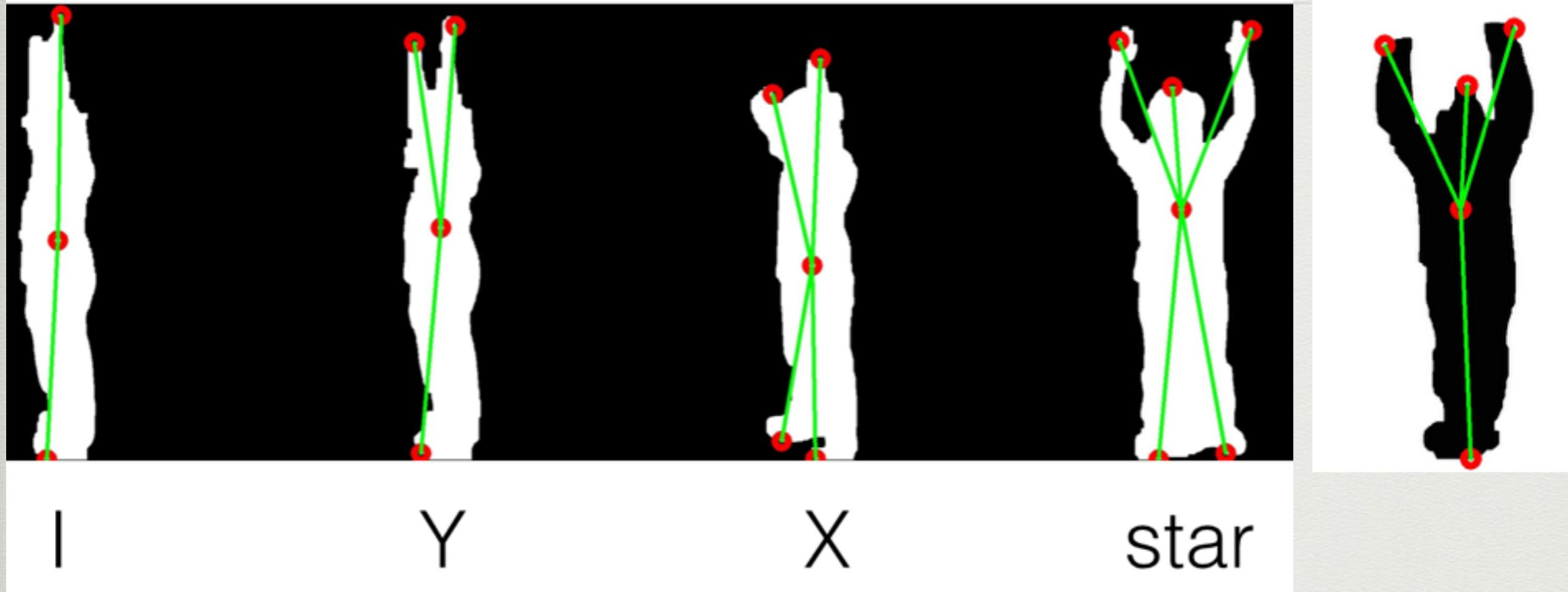
Figure 3: Three point sequences. A and B are not a maximal situation. C is a maximal situation.

Detection of raised hands



Figure 6: Different states of a person which raises the hands. *Top Row: Front view. Second Row: Half-side view. Bottom Row: Side view.*

Detection of raised hands



$$y_{\text{hands}} > 0.8 \cdot H \text{ & } y_{\text{feet}} < 0.2 \cdot H$$

In all cases the common feature is that the positions of the two hands are on top of the head position at some stage.

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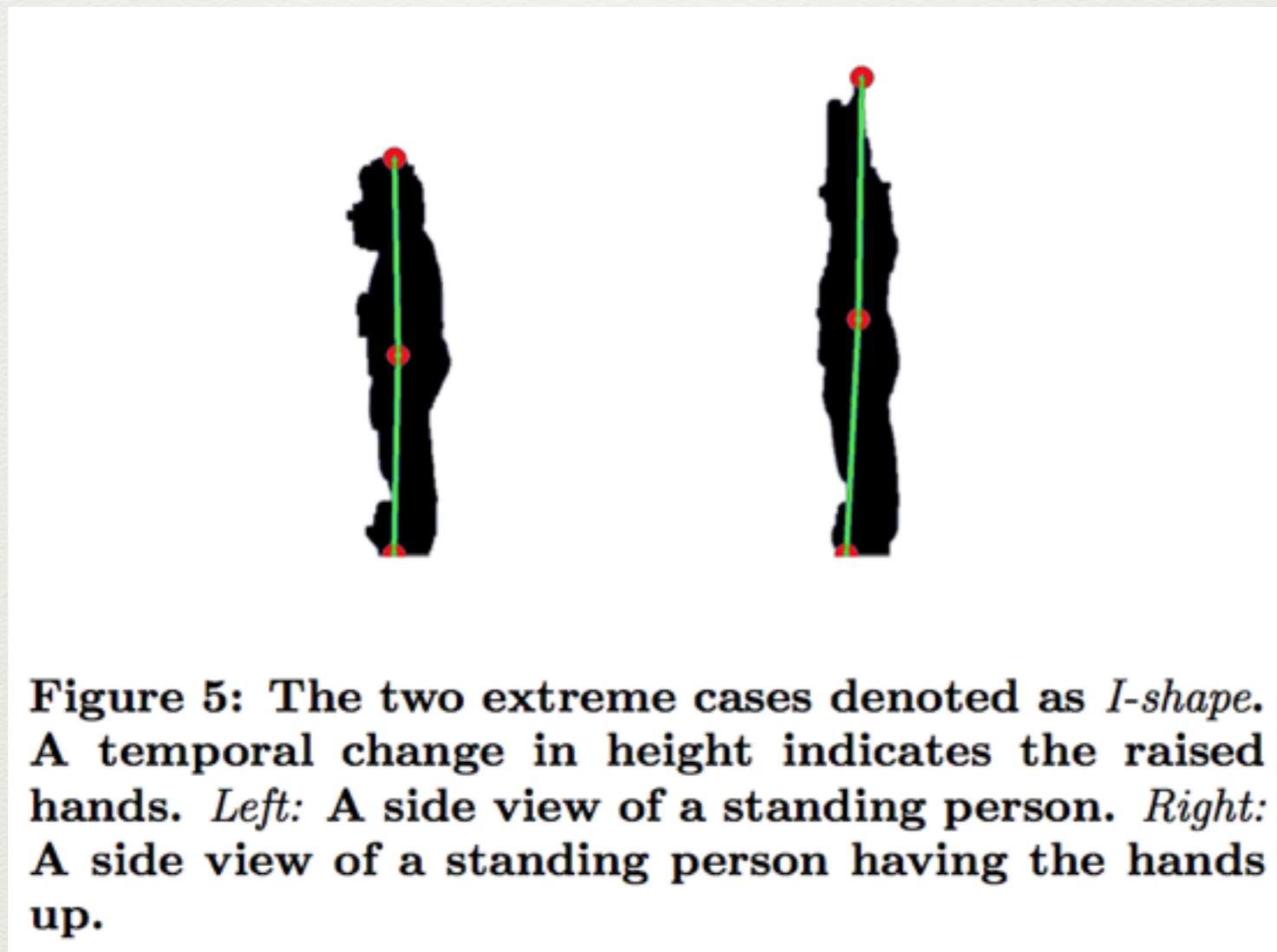


Figure 5: The two extreme cases denoted as *I-shape*. A temporal change in height indicates the raised hands. *Left:* A side view of a standing person. *Right:* A side view of a standing person having the hands up.

Results

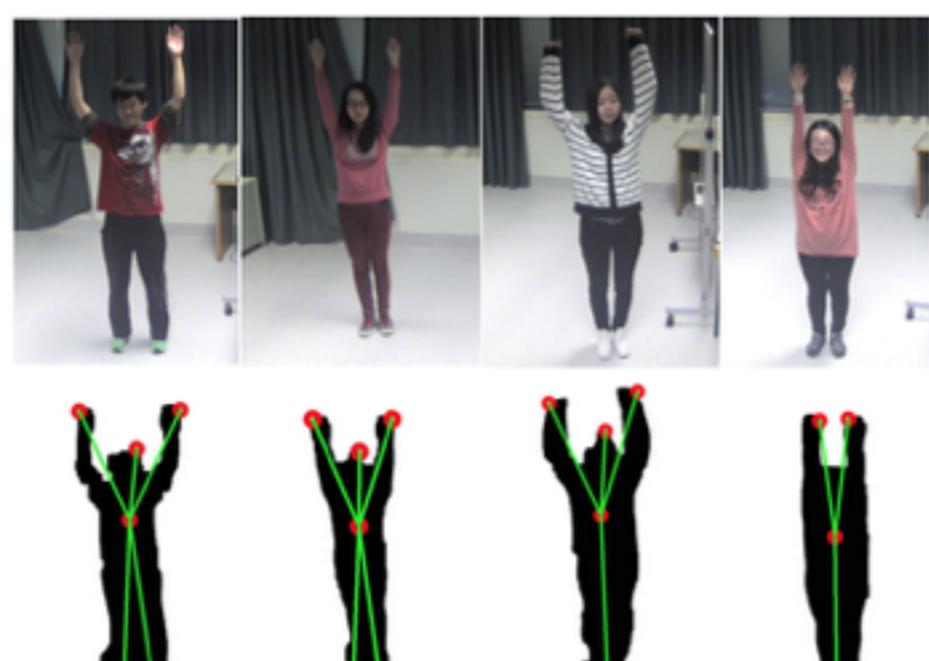


Figure 7: Samples of extracted silhouettes for test persons B to E, left to right.

Sequence	Total frames	FP	FN	Ratio
#A	172	0	4	97.67%
#B	305	2	10	96.07%
#C	287	22	4	90.94%
#D	293	4	8	95.90%
#E	243	5	4	96.30%
Total	1300	33	30	95.15%

Thank you