

# HAAG Week 10 Report -Lizard Jaw Segmentation

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## Time-Log

What did I do this week?

- I integrated ICP refinement based on suggestions of the last computational advisor meeting for refining registration
  - As the webpage manager and meeting leader of my group, I updated the webpage of the Stroud group with a subpage for the Lizard Jaw Segmentation group's weekly reports and group meeting recording link.
- What I will do next week
  - I will get an updated from Philip on his non-rigid point matching results
  - I will compare non-rigid and rigid point matching results with Philip in our weekly meeting to then make a decision on what our next steps need to be.
- Blockers, things I want to flag, problems, etc.
  - Getting a plan of research progress for the rest of the semester due to my availability for the rest of the semester

## Abstract:

Animal biometrics is a challenging task. In the literature, many algorithms have been used, e.g. penguin chest recognition, elephant ears recognition and leopard stripes pattern recognition, but to use technology to a large extent in this area of research, still a lot of work has to be done. One important target in animal biometrics is to automate the segmentation process, so in this paper we propose a segmentation algorithm for extracting the spots of *Diploglossus millepunctatus*, an endangered lizard species. The automatic segmentation is achieved with a combination of preprocessing, active contours and morphology. The parameters of each stage of the segmentation algorithm are found using an optimization procedure, which is guided by the ground truth. The results show that automatic segmentation of spots is possible. A 78.37 % of correct segmentation in average is reached.

**Link:** <https://arxiv.org/abs/1603.00841>

**General summary:** The paper proposes an algorithm to automatically segment the spots of *Diploglossus millepunctatus*, an endangered lizard species. The methodology combines preprocessing steps, active contour models, and morphological operations, with parameters optimized based on ground truth data. The algorithm achieved an average correct segmentation rate of 78.37%, demonstrating the feasibility of automated spot segmentation in this context. This work contributes to the field of animal biometrics by providing a non-invasive technique for identifying individual lizards based on their unique spot patterns.

## What did you do and prove it

I took the approach to coarse point matching in a different way than last week. This time I took the following steps:

1. I refactored the code written previously that used Ransac for registration to now include ICP refinement.
2. I took data of how close the previous Ransac registration without ICP refinement ran by an average of 20 iterations for fitness and RMSE values to provide an evaluation of how well registration ran

```
def process(num_samples=20, max_iters=5):
    iternum = 0
    all_transformations = []

    while(iternum < num_samples):
        voxel_size = 3 # Reduced voxel size to keep more points

        source, target, source_down, target_down, source_fpfh, target_fpfh = prepare_dataset(
            voxel_size, source_file, target_file)

        #If downsampled point clouds are empty, warn and break early
        if len(source_down.points) == 0 or len(target_down.points) == 0:
            print(f"Warning: Downsampled point cloud is empty for sample {iternum + 1}. Skipping...")
            continue

        result_ransac = execute_global_registration(source_down, target_down,
            source_fpfh, target_fpfh,
            voxel_size)

        all_transformations.append(result_ransac.transformation)
        print(f"Sample {iternum + 1}: Fitness - {result_ransac.fitness}, RMSE - {result_ransac.inlier_rmse}")
        iternum += 1

        # ICP refinement
        refined_transformation = refine_registration(source_down, target_down, result_ransac.transformation, voxel_size)

        all_transformations.append(refined_transformation)
        print(f"Sample {iternum + 1}: Fitness - {result_ransac.fitness}, RMSE - {result_ransac.inlier_rmse}")
        iternum += 1

    if all_transformations:
        avg_transformation = compute_average_transformations(all_transformations)
        print("Average Transformation Matrix:\n", avg_transformation)
        return avg_transformation
    else:
        raise RuntimeError("No valid transformations found. Check input point clouds.")
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# Performance Statistics

Sample	Fitness	RMSE
1	0.2545	2.5186
2	0.2113	2.4763
3	0.3699	2.4796
4	0.4279	2.5106
5	0.2353	2.5783
6	0.3062	2.4984
7	0.3403	2.4496
8	0.1157	2.6008
9	0.3321	2.4122
10	0.2581	2.5437
11	0.3492	2.4352
12	0.2744	2.4436
13	0.315	2.4155
14	0.398	2.4046
15	0.3046	2.4875
16	0.3307	2.3829
17	0.3358	2.2382
18	0.2582	2.3918
19	0.2801	2.5271
20	0.3676	2.4297

## Performance Statistics

- Fitness score range of 0.1157 to 0.4279, with an average of 0.3032
- RMSE range of 2.2382 to 2.6008, with an average of 2.4612
- Relatively low fitness score (closer to 0) with a relatively high RMSE indicate poor registration
- Perhaps a non-rigid registration method would be needed

Additionally, I updated the Stroud lab webpage with my group's relevant information up to week 9 of this semester (see images below).

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## Lizard Jaw Segmentation Group Meetings and Recordings

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Spring 2025 Week 10 Group Meeting – No meetings this week due to scheduling conflicts

Spring 2025 Week 9 Computational Advisor/Group Meeting Recording

<https://sites.gatech.edu/haagstroudprojects/wp-admin/user-new.php>

Spring 2025 Week 8 Meeting Recording

[Weekly Lizard Jaw Meeting-20250226\\_170110-Meeting Recording.mp4](#)

Spring 2025 Week 7 Computational Advisor/Group Meeting Recording

[Weekly Lizard Jaw Meeting-20250219\\_170647-Meeting Recording.mp4](#)

Spring 2025 Week 6 Meeting Recording

[Weekly Lizard Jaw Meeting-20250212\\_170746-Meeting Recording.mp4](#)

Spring 2025 Week 5 Computational Advisor Meeting Recording

[Lizard Jaw Segmentation\\_ Student Researcher \\_ Computational Advisor Meet-20250206\\_171303-Meeting Recording.mp4](#)

Spring 2025 Week 4 Meeting Recording

[Weekly Lizard Jaw Meeting-20250129\\_150624-Meeting Recording.mp4](#)

Spring 2025 Week 3 Meeting Recording

[Weekly Lizard Jaw Meeting-20250122\\_150152-Meeting Recording.mp4](#)

Spring 2025 Week 3 Computational Advisor Meeting Recording


[Lizard Jaw Segmentation\\_ Student Researcher \\_ Computational Advisor Meet-20250120\\_150433-Meeting Recording.mp4](#)

# Lizard Jaw Segmentation Weekly Submissions

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Week 9 Computational Advisor Meeting

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**Key Points:**




- 1. Project Explanation:**
  - Prakhar used an analogy of a cup and its handle to explain the segmentation process—how objects with similar features can be grouped together.
  - The goal is to segment different parts of an object in an unsupervised manner, using clustering techniques.
- 2. Challenges Faced:**
  - Prakhar initially wanted to segment the skull in an unsupervised manner but faced issues with clustering results.
- 3. Alternative Approach:**
  - Instead of clustering, Prakhar suggests a direct approach:
    - Manually segment the lower jaw.
    - Match it against other skulls by fitting point clouds.

[Computational Advisor Meeting Week 9](#)

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## HAAG Week 9 Report -Lizard .

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### Time-Log

What did I do this week?

- I continued the integration of gaussian mixture model in the registration code provided last semester.
- I consulted with the computational advisor.
- As the webpage manager and meeting leader, I updated the webpage of the Stroud group with a subgroup's weekly reports and group meeting notes.
- What I will do next week
  - I will follow the suggestion by the computational advisor to use point matching with registration using the average distance or another accuracy measure.