

where  $Y_{jk} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times N_k}$  is the set of triangular faces in part  $k$  of pose  $j$ , and  $X_{b_{jk}}$  are the corresponding reference faces. Exploiting the conjugacy of the normal likelihood to the prior over affine transformations in Equation (2), we marginalize the part-specific latent variables  $A_{jk}$  and  $\Sigma_{jk}$  to compute the marginal likelihood in closed form (see the supplement for a derivation):

$$p(Y_{jk} | X_{b_{jk}}, \eta) = \frac{|K|^{3/2} |S_0|^{(n_0/2)} \Gamma_3\left(\frac{N_k + n_0}{2}\right)}{\pi^{(3N_k/2)} |S_{xx}|^{(3/2)} |S_0 + S_{y|x}|^{((N_k + n_0)/2)} \Gamma_3\left(\frac{n_0}{2}\right)}, \quad (6)$$

$$S_{xx} = X_{b_{jk}} X_{b_{jk}}^T + K, \quad S_{yx} = Y_{jk} X_{b_{jk}}^T + MK, \quad (7)$$

$$S_{y|x} = Y_{jk} Y_{jk}^T + MKM^T - S_{yx} (S_{xx})^{-1} S_{yx}^T. \quad (8)$$

Instead of explicitly sampling from Equation (4), a more efficient sampler [4] can be derived by observing that different realizations of the link  $c_n$  only make a small change to the partition structure. First, note that removing a link  $c_n$  generates a partition  $z(c_{-n})$  which is either identical to the old partition  $z(c)$  or contains one extra part, created by splitting some existing part. Sampling new realizations of  $c_n$  will give rise to new partitions  $z(c_{-n} \cup c_n^{(new)})$ , which may either be identical to  $z(c_{-n})$  or contain one less part, due to a merge of two existing parts. We thus sample  $c_n$  from the following distribution which only tracks those parts which change with different realizations of  $c_n$ :

$$p(c_n | c_{-n}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}, b, D, f, \alpha, \eta) \propto \begin{cases} p(c_n | D, f, \alpha) \Delta(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{X}, b, z(c), \eta) & \text{if } c_n \text{ links } k_1 \text{ and } k_2; \\ p(c_n | D, \alpha) & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\Delta(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{X}, b, z(c), \eta) = \frac{\prod_{j=1}^J p(Y_{jk_1 \cup k_2} | X_{b_{jk_1 \cup k_2}}, \eta)}{\prod_{j=1}^J p(Y_{jk_1} | X_{b_{jk_1}}, \eta) \prod_{j=1}^J p(Y_{jk_2} | X_{b_{jk_2}}, \eta)}. \quad (9)$$

Here,  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  are parts in  $z(c_{-n})$ . Note that if the mesh segmentation  $c$  is the only quantity of interest, the analytically marginalized affine transformations  $A_{jk}$  need not be directly estimated. However, for some applications the transformations are of direct interest. Given a sampled segmentation, the part-specific parameters for pose  $j$  have the following posterior [10]:

$$p(A_{jk}, \Sigma_{jk} | Y_j^k, X^k, \eta) \propto \mathcal{MN}(A_{jk} | S_{yx} S_{xx}^{-1}, \Sigma_{jk}, S_{xx}) \mathcal{IW}(\Sigma_{jk} | N_k + n_0, S_{y|x} + S_0) \quad (10)$$

Marginalizing the noise covariance matrix, the distribution over transformations is then

$$p(A_{jk} | Y_j^k, X^k, \eta) = \int \mathcal{MN}(A_{jk} | S_{yx} S_{xx}^{-1}, \Sigma_{jk}, S_{xx}) \mathcal{IW}(\Sigma_{jk} | N_k + n_0, S_{y|x} + S_0) d\Sigma_{jk}$$

$$= \mathcal{MT}(A_{jk} | N_k + n_0, S_{yx} S_{xx}^{-1}, S_{xx}, S_{y|x} + S_0) \quad (11)$$

where  $\mathcal{MT}(\cdot)$  is a matrix-t distribution [11] with mean  $S_{yx} S_{xx}^{-1}$ , and  $N_k + n_0$  degrees of freedom.

## 4 Experimental Results

We now experimentally validate, both qualitatively and quantitatively, our *mesh-ddcrp* model. Because ‘‘ground truth’’ parts are unavailable for the real body pose datasets of primary interest, we propose an alternative evaluation metric based on the prediction of held-out object poses, and show that the mesh-ddcrp performs favorably against competing approaches.

We primarily focus on a collection of 56 training meshes, acquired and aligned [6] from 3D scans of two female subjects in 27 and 29 poses. For quantitative tests, we employ 12 meshes of each of six different female subjects [15] (Figure 4). For each subject, a mesh in a canonical pose is chosen as the reference mesh (Figure 1). These meshes contain about 20,000 faces.

### 4.1 Hyperparameter Specification and MCMC Learning

The hyperparameters that regularize our mesh-ddcrp prior have intuitive interpretations, and can be specified based on properties of the mesh data under consideration. As described in Section 2.1, the ddCRP distances  $D$  and  $f$  are set to guarantee spatially connected parts. The self-connection parameter is set to a small value,  $\alpha = 10^{-8}$ , to encourage creation of larger parts.

The matrix normal-inverse-Wishart prior on affine transformations  $A_{jk}$ , and residual noise covariances  $\Sigma_{jk}$ , has hyperparameters  $\eta = \{n_0, S_0, M, K\}$ . The mean affine transformation  $M$  is set to