Computer Vision

Edge and Texture



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how our brain acts when we see this:



how our brain acts when we see this:



What's in front?



What it is?





HUMAN VISUAL PATHWAY begins with the eyes and extends through several interior brain structures before ascending to the various regions of the visual cortex (V1, and so on). At the optic chiasm, the optic nerves cross over partially so that each hemisphere of the brain receives input from both eyes. The information is filtered by the lateral geniculate nucleus, which consists of layers of nerve cells that each respond only to stimuli from one eye. The inferior temporal cortex is important for seeing forms. Researchers have found that some cells from each area are active only when a person or monkey becomes conscious of a given stimulus.



Human Visual System





LGN cells

From cortex

LGN

From retina

To cortex





- 1) Left and Right LGN, each has 6 Layers
- 2) 0.9 Million retinal optic fiber enters each LGN, 0.1 M goes to eye movement controller
- 3) LGN also gets input from visual cortex,
- 4) For every 10 nerve inputs from retina, only 4 got send to cortex
- 5) The optics from the same side of eye goes to layer 2, 3, 5, and opposite to 1, 4, 6
- 6) Retinal map is organized in layer 6

The Human Visual System



http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BEHpwaUDk3U

Marr's Primary Sketch

Go symbolic

























Region Processing



Boundary Processing





Readings

- Puzzicha, Buhmann, Rubner, Tomasi
 - Empirical Evaluation of Dissimilarity measure for color and texture
- Rubner, Tomasi, Guibas
 - The earth moving distance as a metric for image retrieval
- Martin, Fowlkes, Malik
 - Learning to Detect Natural Image Boundaries using Brightness and Texture

Image Feature: Texture

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Schools of thoughts on texture

- Texture: repeated elements, subject to randomization of their location, size, color orientation
- Julesz: Nth-order joint empirical densities of textons
- Bergen-Adelson, Malik, Tuner: Multi-scale filter banks, wavelets









Jason Salavon: 100 Special Moments http://salavon.com/work.php



Objects



Scenes



Objects in scenes



Animal Tree Close-up person Far pedestrian in natural scene in urban scene in urban scene in urban scene

urban scene

Lamp in indoor scene



Jason Salavon:

The Top Grossing Film of All Time http://salavon.com/work.php The worldwide top grossing film of all time, Titanic, was digitized from video in its entirety and broken up into its constituent frames. Each of these was then averaged to a single color best representative of that frame and reformatted as a photograph mirroring the narrative sequence of the film. Reading from left-toright and top-to-bottom, the narrative's visual rhythm is laid out in pure color.

















How the brain works (v1):



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Hubel and Wiesel Cat Experiment



Visual Cortex Cell Recording





Filters are dedicated to a range of orientation:



Bank of Filters





A step in the intensity corresponding to an edge



Maximum of the first order derivate



Zero crossing for the second order derivate. The sign changes around the edge.

Odd-symmetric filters:



$$F(x) = G_x(x,\sigma) \otimes G(x,3\sigma)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\delta G(x,\sigma)}{\delta x}}$$



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The zero-crossings correspond to magnitude peaks.

Difference of Gaussian (DOG)





Simple Cell Receptive Field vs. Gabor Function



Solid line: Simple Cell Receptive Field.

Dashed line: Best fitting Gabor function.

From: DeValois and DeValois, "Spatial Vision", 1988.

Gabor Filter



Complex

$$g(x,y;\lambda,\theta,\psi,\sigma,\gamma) = \exp\left(-\frac{x'^2 + \gamma^2 y'^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \exp\left(i\left(2\pi\frac{x'}{\lambda} + \psi\right)\right)$$

Real

$$g(x,y;\lambda,\theta,\psi,\sigma,\gamma) = \exp\left(-\frac{x^{\prime 2} + \gamma^2 y^{\prime 2}}{2\sigma^2}\right) \cos\left(2\pi \frac{x^\prime}{\lambda} + \psi\right)$$

Imaginary

$$g(x,y;\lambda,\theta,\psi,\sigma,\gamma) = \exp\left(-\frac{x'^2+\gamma^2y'^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)\sin\left(2\pi\frac{x'}{\lambda}+\psi\right)$$

where

$$x' = x\cos\theta + y\sin\theta$$
 and

$$y' = -x\sin\theta + y\cos\theta$$

Dennis Gabor



Fourier Transform of a Gabor Filter

The Fourier Transform of a Gabor filter is a localized set of spatial frequencies.

Gabor filters are band-pass filters. They are tuned to spatial frequency.



Fourier Transform of a Gabor Filter

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 $FFT(Gabor(u,\sigma)) = FFT(G(\sigma)) \otimes FFT(e^{-ux})$ $= \frac{1}{\sigma}G(1/\sigma)) \otimes \delta(u)$

Spatial Scales



The spatial profile of the simple cell receptive field is predicted by taking the inverse Fourier transform of the contrast sensitivity function for that cell.

Spatial Frequency Columns



As with orientation and ocular dominance, spatial frequency shows columnar organization in the cortex.





Laplacian pyramid is doing Band-pass filtering What is a oriented band-pass filter?

Filter Banks



Filter Bank



Dot filter response



Odd symmetric filter outputs



Even symmetric filter



Texture Processing Pipeline







Similarity using ave. filter bank response





Average filter bank response

squared responses

vertical





classification



horizontal

smoothed mean

Is mean of filter outputs sufficent?

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Texture Patch Types



Simple: clean step edge



- (I)
- Textured: on either side, or step with noise



•Complex: wrong scale, or just a mess

• Invisible: boundary but no edge

Simple Patches



Off-Boundary On-Boundary

Textured Patches



Complex Patches

