

High Level Computer Vision

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Lecture & Exercise

- Officially: 2V (lecture) + 2Ü (exercise)
 - Lecture: Wed: 2:15pm 4pm (room 024)
 - Exercise: Mon: :2:15pm 4pm (room 024)
- typically 1 exercise sheet every 1-2 weeks
 - part of the final grade
 - pencil and paper, as well as matlab-based exercise,
 - reading assignment (research papers, overview papers, etc.)
- & larger project at end of lecture
 - we/you propose project, mentoring, final presentation
- 1. exercise is matlab tutorial
- Exam
 - oral exam
 - after the SS there will be proposed dates



Grading

- 50% oral exam
- 50% exercises
- exercises
 - > 2/3 regular exercises
 - 1/3 project



Material

- For part of the lecture: <u>http://szeliski.org/Book/</u>
- available online





Material

- Additional background on deep learning: Deep Learning Book
 - available online <u>deeplearningbook.org</u> (in preparation)

Deep Learning

An MIT Press book

Ian Goodfellow, Yoshua Bengio and Aaron Courville

Exercises Lecture Slides

The Deep Learning textbook is a resource intended to help students and practitioners enter the field of machine learning in general and deep learning in particular. The online version of the book is now complete and will remain available online for free. The print version will be available for sale soon. For up to date announcements, join our <u>mailing list</u>.

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    title={Deep Learning},
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Why Study Computer Vision

- Science
 - Foundations of perception. How do WE see?
 - computer vision to explore "computational model of human vision"
- Engineering
 - How do we build systems that perceive the world
 - computer vision to solve real-world problems (e.g. self-driving cars to detect pedestrians)

• Applications

- medical imaging (computer vision to support medical diagnosis, visualization)
- surveillance (to follow/track people at the airport, train-station, ...)
- entertainment (vision-based interfaces for games)
- graphics (image-based rendering, vision to support realistic graphics)
- car-industry (lane-keeping, pre-crash intervention, ...)

Some Applications

- License Plate Recognition
 - London Congestion Charge
 - http://www.cclondon.com/ imagingandcameras.html
 - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ London_congestion_charge
- Surveillance
 - Face Recognition
 - Airport Security (People Tracking)
- Medical Imaging
 - (Semi-)automatic segmentation and measurements
- Robotics
- Driver assistance





More Applications



(b)

(c)





(a)



Goals of today's lecture

- First intuitions about
 - What is computer vision?
 - What does it mean to see and how do we (as humans) do it?
 - How can we make this computational?
- Applications & Appetizers
- 2 case studies:
 - Recovery of 3D structure
 - slides taken from Michael Black @ Brown University / MPI Intelligent Systems
 - Object Recognition
 - intuition from human vision...



Applications & Appetizers

... work from our group

Detection & Recognition of Visual Categories





Challenges of Visual Categorization

• low inter-class variation



• high intra-class variation



Sample Category: Motorbikes



Basic Idea



Large Scale Object Class Recognition

- Learning Shape Models from 3D CAD Data
 - 3D Computer Aided Design (CAD) Models for
 - computer graphics, game design
 - polygonal meshes + texture descriptions
 - semantic part annotations (may) exist



Learning Object Class Model directly from 3D CAD-data:



Michael Stark



Video...



Articulation Model

$$p(L|a) = p(\mathbf{x}^o) \prod_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{x}^i | \mathbf{x}^o, a)$$

- Assume uniform position prior for the whole body
- Learn the conditional relation between part position and body center from data:



400 annotated training images

Modeling Body Dynamics

• Visualization of the hierarchical Gaussian process latent variable model (hGPLVM)













Our Subgraph Multicut Tracking Results



Dotted rectangles are interpolated tracks. Bernt Schiele & Mario Fritz 24

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More Results



Dotted rectangles are interpolated tracks.



Tracks

Decompositions (clusters)

More Results



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Tracks

Complete 3D Scene Modeling

- Goal: Infer consistent 3D world hypothesis from 2D image sequences with a moving monocular camera
 - Tracking 3D Scene Model
 - Integrate SoA object detectors, scene labeling





System sample video (pedestrians)



ETH-Loewenplatz sequence: By courtesy of ETH Zürich [Ess et al., PAMI '09]



System sample video (vehicles)



Deep Neural Networks

- Same model as LeCun'98 BUT
 - Bigger model (8 layers)
 - More data (106 vs 103 images)
 - GPU implementation (50x speedup over CPU)
 - Better regularization (DropOut)



- resulting in:
 - 7 hidden layers, 650,000 neurons, 60,000,000 parameters
 - Trained on 2 GPUs for a week

Validation classification



Validation classification





Try it out yourself

- Caffe ist an open implementation from the Berkeley Vision Group
 - http://caffe.berkeleyvision.org
 - http://demo.caffe.berkeleyvision.org

Caffe Demos

Classification			
Click for a Quick Example			
	Maximally accurate	Maximally specific	
	cat		1.79305
	feline		1.74269
	domestic cat		1.70760
	tabby		0.94807
	domestic animal		0.76846
CNN took 0.078 seconds.			
Provide an image URL			Classify UR
Or upload an image:			
Choose File no file selected			

How deep is enough?

AlexNet (2012)



How deep is enough?



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How deep is enough?


Accuracy

 $3 \times \text{more}$ accurate in 3 years



Image Description



A female tennis player in action on the court.



A group of young men playing a game of soccer.



A man riding a wave on top of a surfboard.

Image Description



A black and white cat is sitting on a chair.



A large clock mounted to the side of a building.



A bunch of fruit that are sitting on a table.

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Video Description

Correct descriptions.



S2VT: A man is doing stunts on his bike.



S2VT: A herd of zebras are walking in a field.



S2VT: A young woman is doing her hair.



S2VT: A man is shooting a gun at a target.

Relevant but incorrect descriptions.





S2VT: A small bus is running into a building.





S2VT: A man is cutting a piece of a pair of a paper.



S2VT: A cat is trying to get a small board.



S2VT: A black clip to walking through a path. S2VT: A man is spreading butter on a tortilla.







S2VT: A man is pouring liquid in a pan.



S2VT: A polar bear is walking on a hill.





S2VT: A man is doing a pencil.



the wall divider?,

properties to i.e. wall divider) plays an tial relations







abstract reasoning about the shapes



Q: What is the object on the counter in the corner? A: micro wave





QA: (what is beneath the candle holder. The annotators are using different names to decorative plate) Some annotators use variations on spatial relations that are similar, e.g. 'beneath' is closely related to 'below'.

QA: (what is in front of the wall divider?, cabinet) Annotators us additional properties to



call the same things. The names of the brown object near the bed include 'night stand', 'stool', and 'cabinet'

Some objects, like the table on the left of image, are severely occluded or truncated. Yet, the annotators refer to them in the mestions

QA: (What is in front of toilet?, door) Here the 'open doc clearly visible, yet

bject in the scene?



QA1:(How many doors are in the image?, 1)QA: (How many drawers are there?, 8) **QA2:**(How many doors are in the image?, 5) The annotators use their common-sense Different interpretation of 'door' results in knowledge for amodal completion. Here the different counts: 1 door at the end of the hall vs. 1 door hulling looks on the main annotator infers the 8th drawer from the

QA: (What is the chair?, horse shar In this example, an "horse shaped chai abstract reasoning





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0.9

0.7

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17500



Surface at origination more Any angle 19, OAOW hat is the object on the counter in becomes more relevant. In cluttered scenes,

the corner?, microwave) References like 'corner' are difficult to

QA: (How many doors are open?, 1) Notion of states of object (like open) is not well captured by current vision techniques.

OA: (Where second of the secon 41 refrigerator)

On some occasions, the annotators prefer to

Question Answering Results



What is on the right side of the cabinet?

Vision + Language: Language Only:

bed bed



What objects are found on the
bed?Vision + Language:bed sheets,
pillowLanguage Only:doll, pillow



How many burner knobs are there?Vision + Language: 4Language Only:6



Basic Concepts and Terminology

Computer Vision vs. Computer Graphics



Pinhole Camera (Model)

- (simple) standard and abstract model today
 - box with a small hole in it



Camera Obscura

- around 1519, Leonardo da Vinci (1452 1519)
 - http://www.acmi.net.au/AIC/CAMERA_OBSCURA.html
 - "when images of illuminated objects ... penetrate through a small hole into a very dark room ... you will see [on the opposite wall] these objects in their proper form and color, reduced in size ... in a reversed position owing to the intersection of the rays"

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Principle of pinhole....

- ...used by artists
 - (e.g. Vermeer 17th century, dutch)
- and scientists



Digital Images

- Imaging Process:
 - (pinhole) camera model
 - digitizer to obtain digital image



(Grayscale) Image

- 'Goals' of Computer Vision
 - how can we recognize fruits from an array of (gray-scale) numbers?
 - how can we perceive depth from an array of (gray-scale) numbers?

- 'Goals' of Graphics
 - how can we generate an array of (gray-scale) numbers that looks like fruits?
 - how can we generate an array of (gray-scale) numbers so that the human observer perceives depth?

▶.

 computer vision = the problem of 'inverse graphics' ...?

185 149 187 239 209 209 197 194 203 209 199 236 188 197 183 190 183 205 210 202 203 199 197 196 181 173



Visual Cues for Image Analysis

... in art and visual illusions









Vincent van Gogh Interior of a Restaurant at Arles 1888





Vincent van Gogh Snowy Landscape with Arles in the Background 1888















1. Case Study Computer Vision - Recovery of 3D Structure

- take all the cues of artists and 'turn them around'
 - exploit these cues to infer the structure of the world
 - need mathematical and computational models of these cues
- sometimes called 'inverse graphics'



http://www.vrvis.at/ar2/adm/shading/

A 'trompe l'oeil'

- depth-perception
 - movement of ball stays the same
 - location/trace of shadow changes





Another 'trompe l'oeil'

- illusory motion
 - only shadows changes
 - square is stationary



Color & Shading





Color & Shading









Keep staring at the black dot. After a while the gray haze around it will appear to shrink.





Do you still believe what you see?

- Experiment
 - carefully point flash light into your eye from one corner
 - don't hurt yourself!
- Observation
 - you'll see your own blood vessels
 - they are actually in front of the retina
 - we've adapted to their usual shadow



2. Case Study: Computer Vision & Object Recognition

- is it more than inverse graphics?
- how do you recognize
 - the banana?
 - the glas?
 - the towel?
- how can we make computers to do this?
- ill posed problem:
 - missing data
 - ambiguities
 - multiple possible explanations





Image Edges: What are edges? Where do they come from?



• Edges are changes in pixel brightness



Image Edges: What are edges? Where do they come from?



- Edges are changes in pixel brightnes
 - Foreground/Background Boundaries
 - Object-Object-Boundaries
 - Shadow Edges
 - Changes in Albedo or Texture
 - Changes in Surface Normals



Line Drawings: Good Starting Point for Recognition?





Complexity of Recognition



Complexity of Recognition



Complexity of Recognition



Complexity of Recognition




Recognition: the Role of Context

• Antonio Torralba







Recognition: the role of Prior Expectation

• Guiseppe Arcimboldo





Complexity of Recognition





Complexity of Recognition



One or Two Faces ?



Class of Models: Pictorial Structure

- Fischler & Elschlager 1973
- Model has two components
 - parts(2D image fragments)
 - structure (configuration of parts)





Deformations





Clutter





Example





Recognition, Localization, and Segmentation

a few terms

... let's briefly define what we mean by that



Object Recognition: First part of this Computer Vision class

- Different Types of Recognition Problems:
 - Object Identification
 - recognize your pencil, your dog, your car
 - Object Classification
 - recognize any pencil, any dog, any car
 - also called: generic object recognition, object categorization, ...
- Recognition and
 - Segmentation: separate pixels belonging to the foreground (object) and the background
 - Localization/Detection: position of the object in the scene, pose estimate (orientation, size/scale, 3D position)



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 - typical definition:
 'basic level category'





Which Level is right for Object Classes?

- Basic-Level Categories
 - the highest level at which category members have **similar perceived shape**
 - the highest level at which a **single mental image** can reflect the entire category
 - the highest level at which a person uses similar motor actions to interact with category members
 - the level at which human subjects are usually fastest at identifying category members
 - the first level named and understood by children
 - (while the definition of basic-level categories depends on culture there exist a remarkable consistency across cultures...)
- Most recent work in object recognition has focused on this problem
 - we will discuss several of the most successful methods in the lecture :-)



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Example from David Lowe:





Parameters: 3D position and orientation



Localization: Example Video 1







Localization: Example Video 2





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Basic Filtering



Computer Vision and Fundamental Components

- computer vision: 'reverse' the imaging process
 - > 2D (2-dimensional) digital image processing
 - 'pattern recognition' / 3D image analysis
 - image understanding



Digital Image Processing

- Some Basics
 - (digital signal processing, FFT, ...)
 - Image Filtering
 - (taken from a class by Bill Freeman @MIT)
- Image Filtering
 - take some local image patch (e.g. 3x3 block)
 - image filtering: apply some function to local image patch



Image Filtering

- Some Examples:
 - what assumptions are you making to infer the center value?



- Goals of Image Filtering:
 - reduce noise
 - fill-in missing values/ information
 - extract image features (e.g.edges/corners)

• ...



Image Filtering

- simplest case: linear filtering:
 - replace each pixel by a linear combination of its neighbors







Local image data

kernel

Modified image data

 the prescription for the linear combination is called the 'convolution kernel'

2D signals and convolution

- Components of 'convolution':
 - Image:
 - continuous: I(x,y)
 - discrete: I[k,l] or $I_{k,l}$
 - filter 'kernel': g[k,l]
 - 'filtered' image: f[m,n]
- 2D convolution (discrete):

$$f[m,n] = I \otimes g = \sum_{k,l} I[m-k,n-l]g[k,l]$$

- special case:
 - convolution (discrete) of a 2D-image with a 1D-filter

$$f[m,n] = I \otimes g = \sum_{k} I[m-k,n]g[k]$$



Linear Filtering (warm-up slide)





Linear Filtering (warm-up slide)



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Linear Filtering



Linear Filtering



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Linear Filtering



Blurring



Try it out in GIMP

- You can try out linear filter kernels in the free image manipulation tool GIMP - availble at gimp.org
- open image
- from the menu pick:
 - Filters
 - Generic
 - Convolution Matrix ...
- enter filter kernel in "Matrix"
- press "ok" to apply

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Blurring Examples





Linear Filtering (warm-up slide)



original



Linear Filtering (warm-up slide)





$$f[m,n] = I \otimes g_1 - I \otimes g_2 = I \otimes (g_1 - g_2)$$



(remember blurring)



original





Blurred (filter applied in both dimensions).

Sharpening



Sharpening Example



Sharpening





before

after