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Lecture 15: Hough Transform (cont.)

Menu for Today (March 5, 2020)

Topics:

- Hough Transform
- Hough Transform for Object Detection

Redings:

- **Today's** Lecture: Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) 7.1.1, 7.2.1, 7.4, 7.6
- **Next** Lecture:

Reminders:

- Assignment 4: is out
- Today is **ECCV** deadline (major computer vision conference)

- Stereo

Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) 7.1.1, 7.2.1, 7.4, 7.6



Person-in-Context Synthesis with Compositional Structural Space

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Person in Context Synthesis



Person-in-Context Synthesis with Compositional Structural Space

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Living on the Edge: Scene Graph Generation Using Edged Graph Neural Networks

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Lecture 14: Re-cap RANSAC

RANSAC is a technique to fit data to a model

- divide data into inliers and outliers
- estimate model from minimal set of inliers
- improve model estimate using all inliers
- alternate fitting with re-classification as inlier/outlier

easy to implement

- easy to estimate/control failure rate

RANSAC only handles a moderate percentage of outliers without cost blowing up

RANSAC is a general method suited for a wide range of model fitting problems

RANSAC: *k* Samples Chosen (p = 0.99)

Sample size	Proportion of outliers						
n	5%	10%	20%	25%	30%	40%	50%
2	2	3	5	6	7	11	17
3	3	4	7	9	11	19	35
4	3	5	9	13	17	34	72
5	4	6	12	17	26	57	146
6	4	7	16	24	37	97	293
7	4	8	20	33	54	163	588
8	5	9	26	44	78	272	1177

Figure Credit: Hartley & Zisserman

Lecture 14: Re-cap Hough Transform

Idea of **Hough transform**:

- For each token vote for all models to which the token could belong Return models that get many votes

lines will pass through many points and so receive many votes

Example: For each point, vote for all lines that could pass through it; the true

Hough Transform: Lines



Image space



Parameter space Slide Credit: Ioannis (Yannis) Gkioulekas (CMU)

four points become?

Hough Transform for Lines (switching to books notation)

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- A line is the set of points, (x, y), such that $x\sin\theta + y\cos\theta + r = 0$
- Different choices of θ, r give different lines

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- Different choices of θ, r give different lines
- For any (x, y) there is a one parameter family of lines through this point. Just let (x, y) be constants and for each value of θ the value of r will be determined
- Each point enters votes for each line in the family
- If there is a line that has lots of votes, that will be the line passing near the points that voted for it







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Example: Clean Data



Tokens



Votes Horizontal axis is θ Vertical Axis is r Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) Figure 10.1 (Top) 26

Example: Some Noise





ч. Votes Horizontal axis is θ Vertical Axis is r Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) Figure 10.1 (Bottom) 27

Example: Too Much Noise



Tokens



Votes Horizontal axis is θ Vertical Axis is r Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) Figure 10.2 28

Real World **Example**





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Real World **Example**



Original

Edges





Parameter space

Hough Lines

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Mechanics of Hough Transform

- **1.** Construct a quantized array to represent θ and r
- **2.** For each point, render curve (θ , r) into this array adding one vote at each cell

Difficulties:

small, and noise causes lines to be missed)

How many lines?

- Count the peaks in the Hough array
- Treat adjacent peaks as a single peak

- How big should the cells be? (too big, and we merge quite different lines; too

Some Practical Details of Hough Transform

It is best to **vote** for the two closest bins in each dimension, as the locations of the bin boundaries are arbitrary

— This means that peaks are "blurred" and noise will not cause similar votes to fall into separate bins

Can use a hash table rather than an array to store the votes - This means that no effort is wasted on initializing and checking empty bins - It avoids the need to predict the maximum size of the array, which can be

non-rectangular

Some Practical Details of Hough Transform

- A key is to have each feature (token) determine as many parameters as possible Lines are detected more effectively from edge elements with both position and orientation — For object recognition, each token should predict **position**, orientation, and scale
- The Hough transform can extract feature groupings from clutter in linear time



Hough Transform for Circles (of known size)







Generalized Hough Transform

What if we want to detect an **arbitrary** geometric shape?

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Dana H. Ballard, Generalizing the Hough Transform to Detect Arbitrary Shapes, 1980

Offline procedure:

At each boundary point, compute displacement vector: $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{p}_i$.

Store these vectors in a table indexed by gradient orientation θ .

Combined object detection and segmentation using an implicit shape model. Image patches cast weighted votes for the object centroid.



B. Leibe, A. Leonardis, and B. Schiele, Combined Object Categorization and Segmentation with an Implicit Shape Model, ECCV Workshop on Statistical Learning in Computer Vision 2004

Basic Idea:

- Find interest points/keypoints in an image (e.g., SIFT Keypoint detector or Corners)
- Match patch around each interest point to a training patch (e.g., SIFT Descriptor)
- Vote for object center given that training instances
- Find the patches that voted for the peaks (back-project)

"Training" images of cows







"Testing" image





"Training" images of cows







"Testing" image



Vote for center of object



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Vote for center of object







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That's ok. We want only peaks in voting space.

"Testing" image





"Training" images of cows









"Testing" image



Find patches that voted for the peaks (back-project)





"Training" images of cows







Find objects based on the back projected patches

"Testing" image box around patches = object







"Training" images of cows







We need to match a patch around each yellow keypoint to all patches in all training images (**slow**)

"Testing" image







Visual Words

- Visual vocabulary (we saw this for retrieval)



• Compare each patch to a small set of visual words (clusters)

Visual words (visual codebook)!

Index displacements by "visual codeword"



training image

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visual codeword with displacement vectors



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Inferring Other Information: Segmentation

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Inferring Other Information: Segmentation



(a) detections

(b) p(figure)

(c) segmentation

[Source: B. Leibe]

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Inferring Other Information: Segmentation



[Source: B. Leibe]

Inferring Other Information: Part Labels

Training



Test













Inferring Other Information: **Depth**

Test image



"Depth from a single image"

Result









Example 2: Object Recognition — Boundary Fragments

an estimate of the object's contour.



Segmentation / Detection Backprojected Maximum

Boundary fragments cast weighted votes for the object centroid. Also obtains

Image credit: Opelt et al., 2006



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Example 3: Object Recognition – Poselets

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1. q-scores. Different colors illustrate different poselet detectors firing in the image. The blob size illustrates the score of the independent poselet classifier.

poselet activations leads to a reranking based on mutual activation (Q-scores). Weaker activations consistent with others gain importance, whereas inconsistent ones get damped.

3. Clustering (Section 5). Activations are merged in a greedy manner starting with the strongest activation. Merging is based on pairwise consistency.

4. Bounding boxes (Section 6) and segmentations (Section 7). We predict the visible bounds and the contour of the person using the poselets within the cluster.

Image credit: Bourdev and Malik, 2009

Discussion of Hough Transform

Advantages:

- Can handle high percentage of outliers: each point votes separately
- Can detect multiple instances of a model in a single pass

Disadvantages:

- parameters
- Can be tricky to pick a good bin size

- Complexity of search time increases exponentially with the number of model

Summary of Hough Transform

The **Hough transform** is another technique for fitting data to a model

- a voting procedure
- possible model parameters define a quantized accumulator array — data points "vote" for compatible entries in the accumulator array

as possible

A key is to have each data point (token) constrain model parameters as tightly