Image Processing

Empirical Evaluation of Dissimilarity Measures for Color and Texture

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Administrative

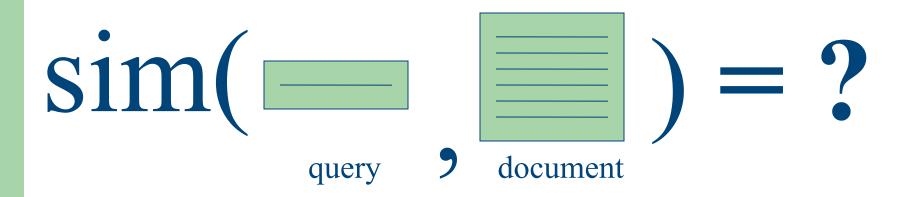
- 11/4 class project discussion
 - project proposal draft due
- 11/5 4:15pm Rose Hill Theatre
- CS Lunch today

Image processing

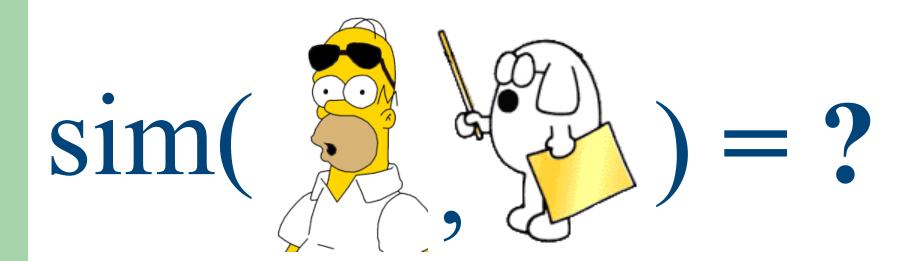
- Image processing
 - http://webcast.berkeley.edu/course_details.php?seriesid=1906978282
- Computer vision
 - http://cseweb.ucsd.edu/classes/sp09/cse252b/
- CVPR
 - http://www.cvpr2009.org/full-program

Text retrieval

• What was the key problem we needed to solve for text retrieval?



The Problem: Image Similarity



Where does this problem arise in computer vision?

- Image Classification
- Image Retrieval
- Image Segmentation

Classification

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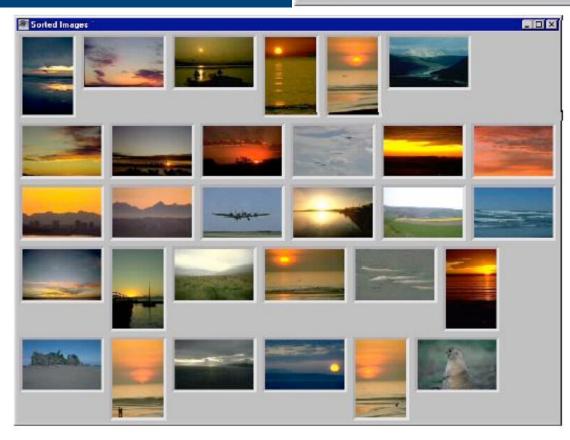






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Jeremy S. De Bonet, Paul Viola (1997). Structure Driven Image Database Retrieval. Neural Information Processing 10 (1997).

Segmentation



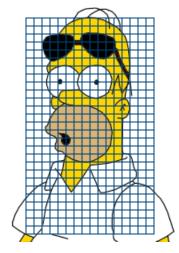


http://vizlab.rutgers.edu/~comanici/segm_images.html

How is an image represented?



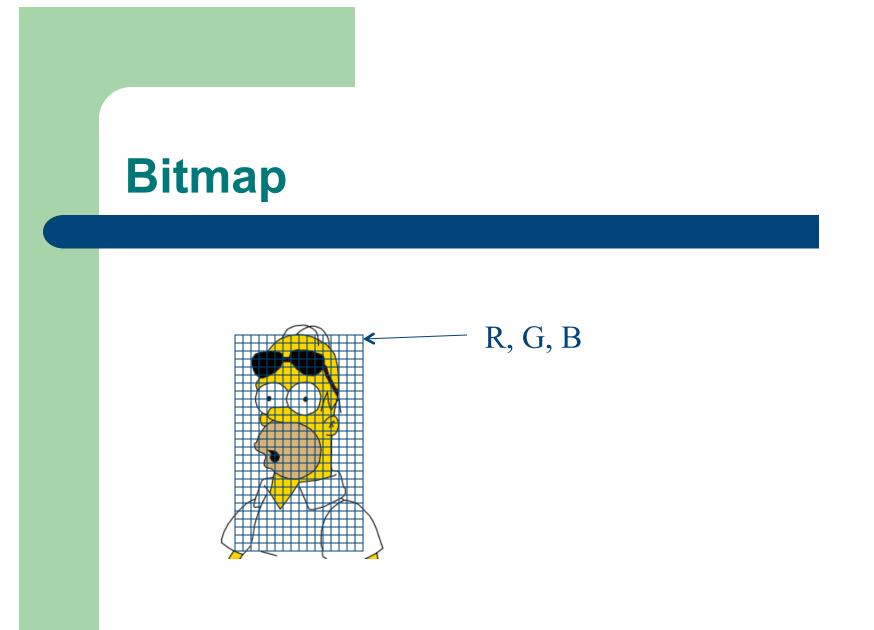
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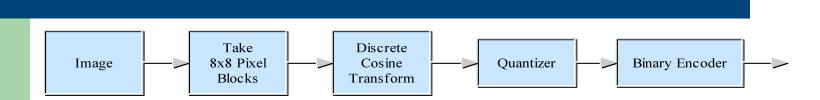


images are made up of pixels
for a color image, each pixel corresponds to an RGB value (i.e. three numbers)

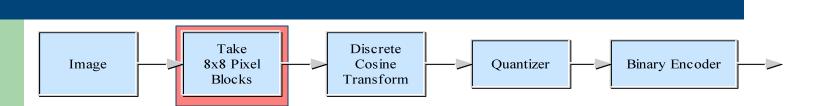
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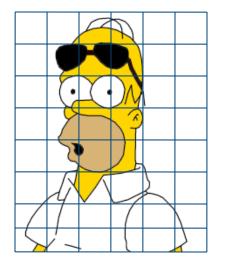
- BitMaP
- JPEG
- TIFF
- Gif
- Png
- ...

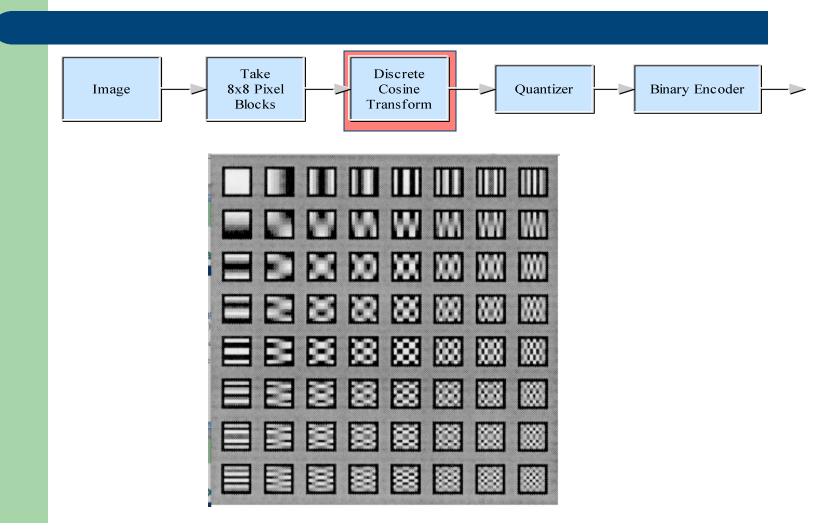


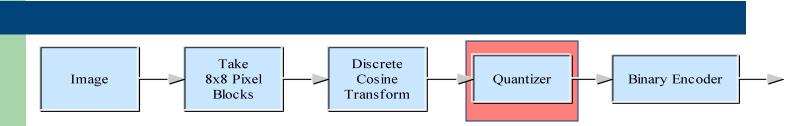








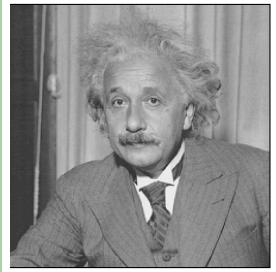




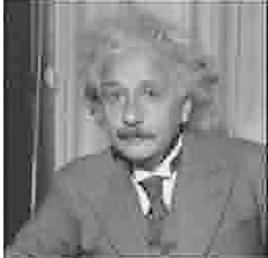
Quantizer: Weights the various spectral coefficients according to their importance, with respect to the human visual system.

JPEG Compression

JPEG Image with no Lossy Compression



JPEG Image with Lossy Compression Ratio of ~9 JPEG Image with Lossy Compression Ratio of ~3



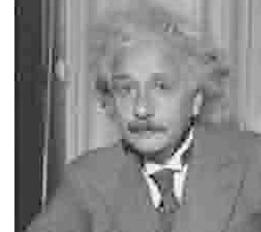
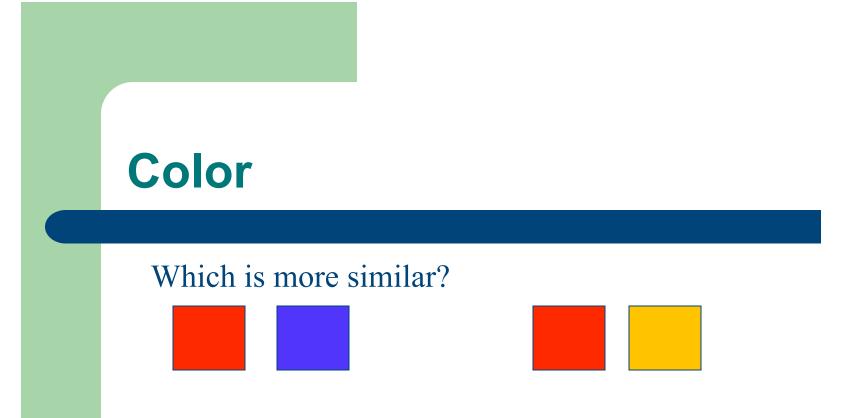


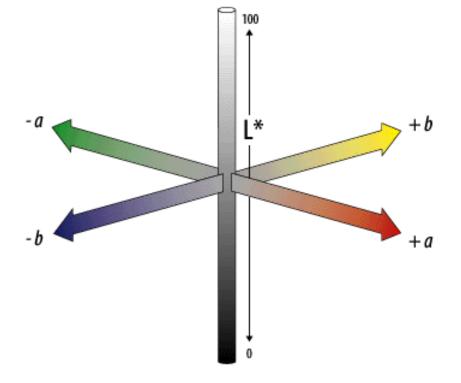
Image features

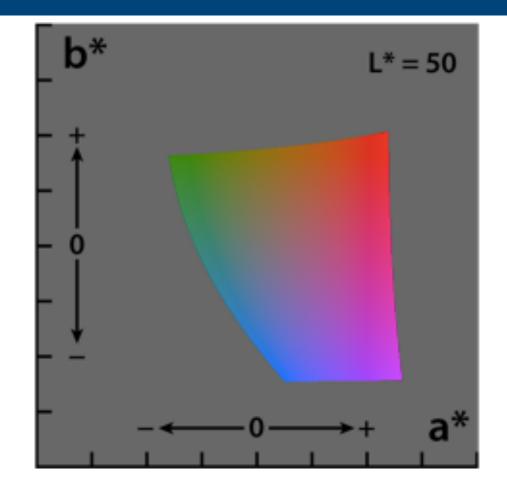


L*a*b* was designed to be uniform in that perceptual "closeness" corresponds to Euclidean distance in the space.

L*a*b*

- L lightness (white to black)
- a red-greeness
- b yellowness-blueness



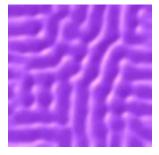






How is texture different than color?





Texture

- Texture is not pointwise like color
- Texture involves a local neighborhood



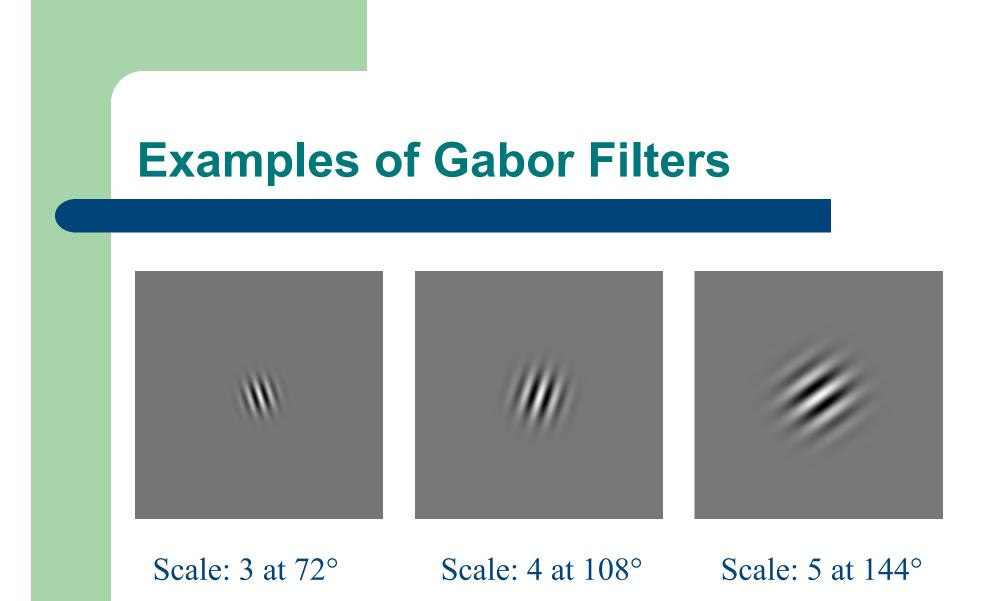


How can we capture texture? How did we capture audio texture?



Gabor Filters

- Gabor filters are Gaussians modulated by sinusoids
- They can be tuned in both the scale (size) and the orientation
- A filter is applied to a region and is characterized by some feature of the energy distribution (often mean and standard deviation)
- Similar idea to wavelets (Gabor wavelet)!

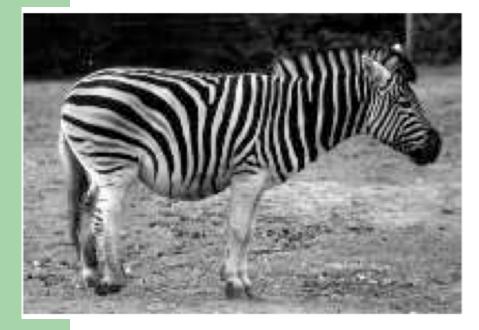


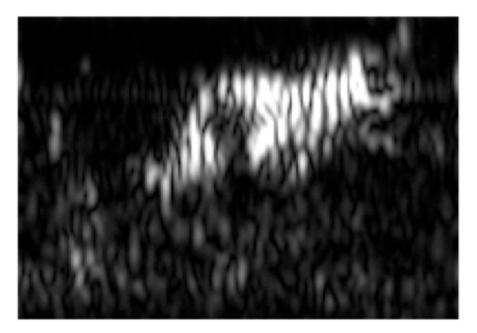
Gabor filters



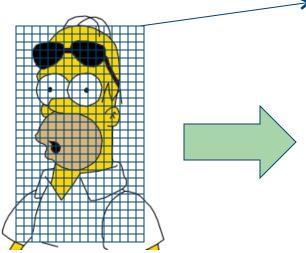
What would the response look like to a vertical filter?

Gabor filters





Features



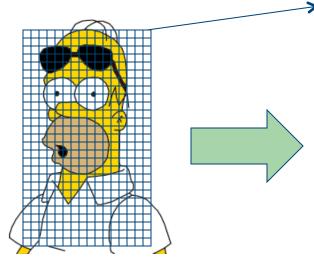
For each pixel:

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- set of color features
 - set of texture features (i.e. responses to different filters)

any problem?

Features



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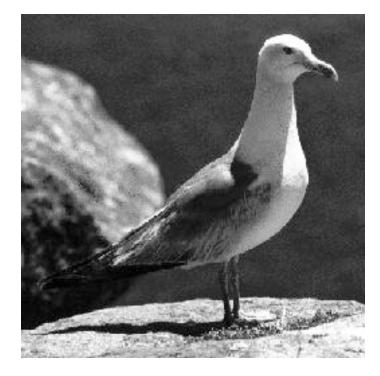
- Lots of features!
- Extremely sparse
- Features are position dependent

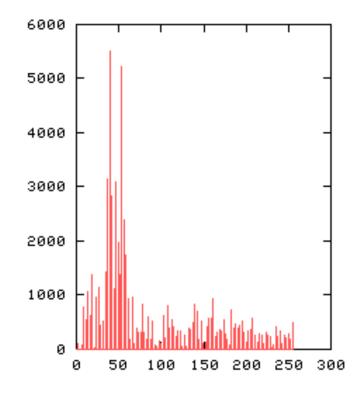
Ideas?

One approach: histograms

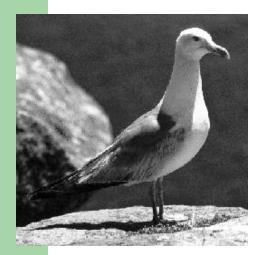
- Examine the distribution of features, rather than the features themselves
- General purpose (i.e. any distribution of features)
- Resilient to variations (shadowing, changes in illumination, shading, etc.)
- Can use previous work in statistics, etc.

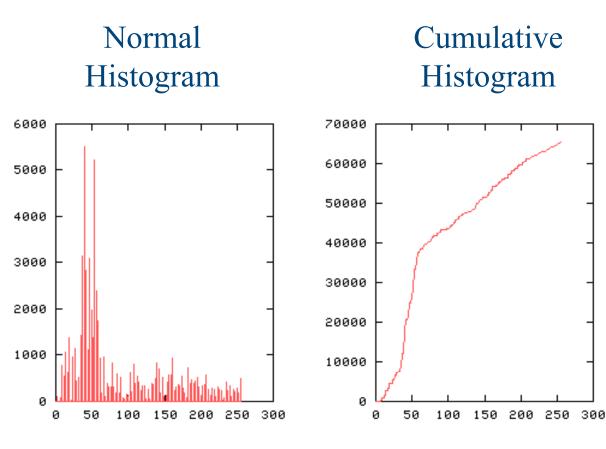
Histogram Example



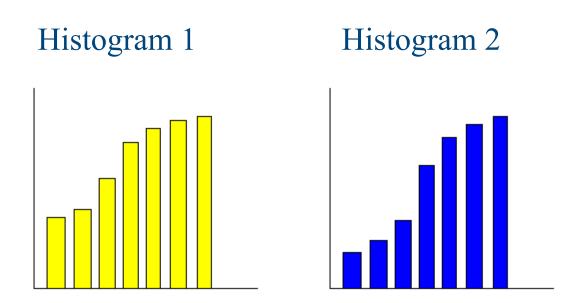


Cumulative Histogram





Similarity Measures Using the Histograms



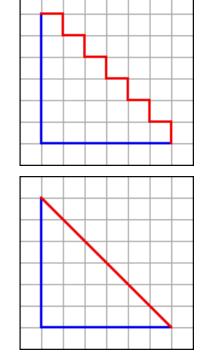
Need to quantify how similar two histograms are

Heuristic Histogram Distances

• Minkowski-form distance L_p

$$D(I,J) = \left(\sum_{i} \left|I_{i} - J_{i}\right|^{p}\right)^{1/p}$$

- Special cases:
 - L₁: absolute, cityblock, or Manhattan distance
 - L₂: Euclidian distance
 - L_{∞} : Maximum value distance



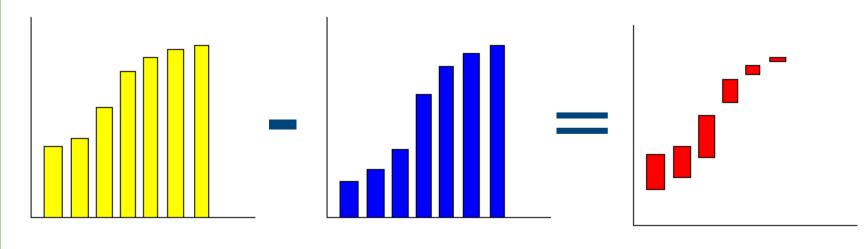
More heuristic distances

• Weighted-Mean-Variance (WMV)

$$D^{r}(I,J) = \frac{\left|\mu_{r}(I) - \mu_{r}(J)\right|}{\left|\sigma(\mu_{r})\right|} + \frac{\left|\sigma_{r}(I) - \sigma_{r}(J)\right|}{\left|\sigma(\sigma_{r})\right|}$$

 Only includes minimal information about distribution







How would you test the perfomance of these algorithms?

- Three tasks
 - classification
 - retrieval
 - segmentation

Data Set: Color

- Randomly chose 94 images from set of 2000
 - 94 images represent separate classes
- Randomly select disjoint set of pixels from the images
 - Set size of 4, 8, 16, 32, 64 pixels
 - 16 disjoint samples per set per image







Data Set: Texture

- Brodatz album
 - Collection of wide range of texture (e.g. cork, lawn, straw, pebbles, sand, etc.)
- Each image is considered a class (as in color)
- Extract sets of 16 non-overlapping blocks
 - sizes 8x8, 16x16,..., 256x256







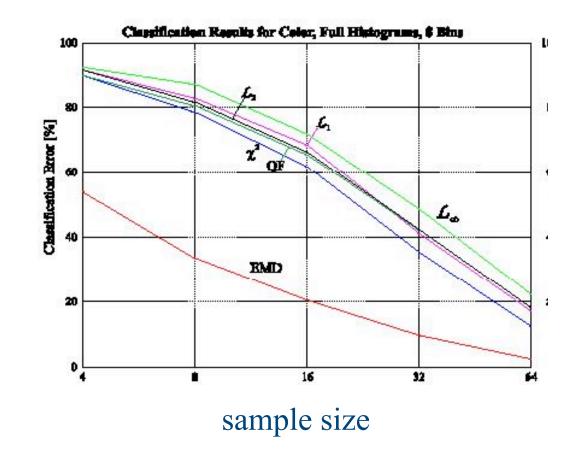




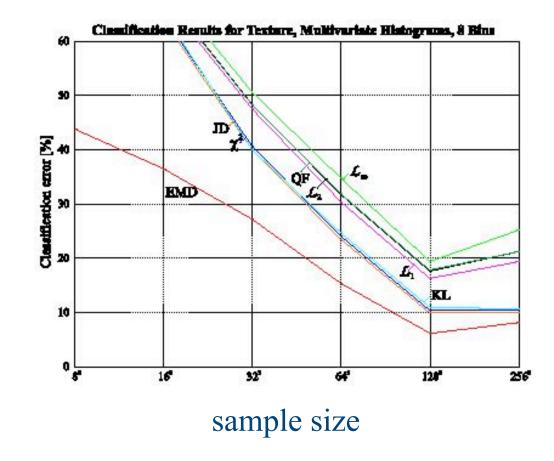
Setup: Classification

- How can we use similarity for classification?
- k-Nearest Neighbor classifier is used
 - Nearest Neighbor classification: given a collection of labeled points S and a query point q, what point belonging to S is closest to q?
 - k nearest is a majority vote of the k closest points

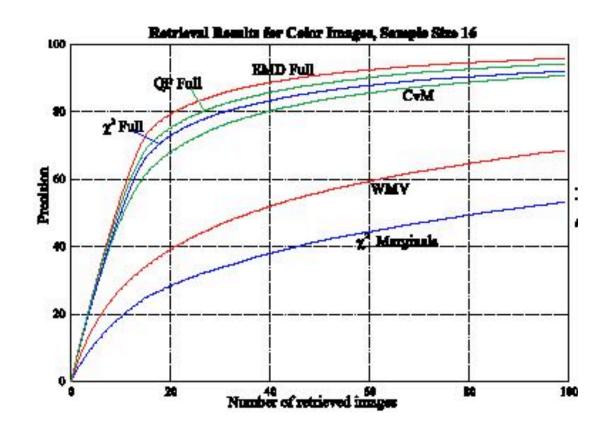
Results: Classification, color data set



Results: Classification, texture data set



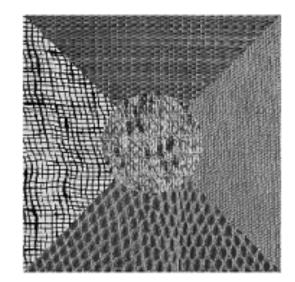
Results: Image Retrieval



Setup: Segmentation

- 100 images
- Each image consists of 5 different textures

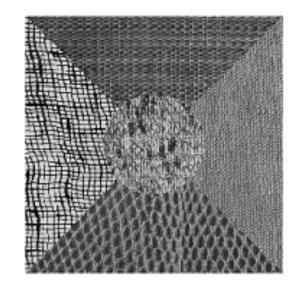




Setup: Segmentation

• How can we solve this problem using our similarity measures?

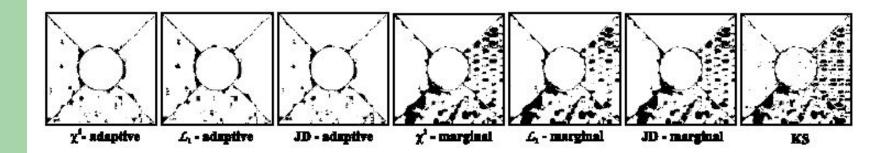




Setup: Segmentation (cont.)

- Image is divided into 16384 sites (128 x 128 grid)
- A histogram is calculate for each site
- Each site histogram is then compared with 80 randomly selected sites
- Image sites with high average similarity are then grouped

Results: Segmentation



Something fun...

 http://www.popsci.com/gear-amp-gadgets/ article/2009-09/building-virtual-citiesautomatically-150000-flickr-photos

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Homework for next time...

- Spend 15 minutes playing with three different image retrieval systems
 - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Image_retrieval has a number
 - What works well?
 - What doesn't work well?
 - Anything interesting you noticed?
- You won't hand anything in, but we'll start class on Monday with a discussion of the systems