

Computer Vision

CS181
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some slides modified from slides obtained from Zach Dodds

+ Admin

- Schedule for the rest of the quarter
 - Wed. class
 - 11/29 status report #2
 - 12/1 Exam #2 (a week from Wednesday!)
 - After exam: focus will be your projects
- No more TA office hours (unless needed?)

+ Tons of other NLP problems

- Information extraction
 - find entities in text
 - find how they relate to each other
- Information retrieval (search)
- Speech recognition
- Speech generation
- Dialogue/conversational agents
 - <http://www.chatbots.org/us>
 - <http://www.geekcavecreations.com/pChat/>
- Summarization
- Text simplification/compression

+ Tons of other NLP problems

- Language recognition (play with Google translate)
- Word sense disambiguation
- Text understanding
- Question answering
- Text coherence
 - Coreference resolution
- Text segmentation
- Document classification
- Document clustering
- ...

+ Some resources

- Books
 - Speech and Language Processing, 2009. Jurafsky and Martin.
 - Foundations of Statistical Natural Language Processing, 1999. Manning and Schütze.
- Software
 - Stanford has a good tool collection:
 - <http://nlp.stanford.edu/software/index.shtml>
 - Berkeley has a few:
 - <http://nlp.cs.berkeley.edu/Main.html#Software>
 - Natural Language Toolkit (NLTK)
 - python
 - <http://www.nltk.org/>

Every picture tells a story...



What is going on in this picture?
How did you figure it out?

+ Computer Vision

- the goal of computer vision is to write computer programs that can interpret images (and videos)
- What are some of the challenges?
- Applications?



Optical character recognition

Long-term work on digits, AT&T labs

License plate readers and ways to get around them!

recognize

segment

binarize

detect

Sports

HawkEye: Federer vs. Nadal

IN OFFICIAL REVIEW

Sportvision

[machines vs. humans]
"The balls moving so fast these days that sometimes its impossible for anyone to see, even a trained official."
 - James Blake

What are some of the problems that these two systems need to handle?

- The system has to know the **orientation of the field with respect to the camera** so that it can paint the first-down line with the correct perspective from that camera's point of view.
- The system has to know, in that same perspective framework, exactly **where every yard line is**.
- Given that the cameraperson can move the camera, the system has to be able to **sense the camera's movement** (tilt, pan, zoom, focus) and **understand the perspective change** that results from the movement.
- Given that the camera can pan while viewing the field, the system has to be able to **recalculate the perspective** at a rate of 30 frames per second as the camera moves.
- A football field is not flat – it crests very gently in the middle to help rainwater run off. So the line calculated by the system has to appropriately **follow the curve of the field**.
- A football game is filmed by **multiple cameras** at different places in the stadium, so the system has to do all of this work for several cameras.
- The system has to be able to **sense when players, referees or the ball cross over the first-down line** so it does not paint the line right on top of them.
- The system also has to be **aware of superimposed graphics** that the network might overlay on the scene.

high-resolution encoders on the cameras

detailed field model ~ crest!

color palettes: in and out

Sportvision

slight delay in the network feed

Challenges

- orientation of the field with respect to camera
- handle camera movement
 - recalculate perspective
- where the yard lines are
- multiple cameras
- don't paint over players refs!
- other superimposed graphics

high-resolution encoders on the cameras

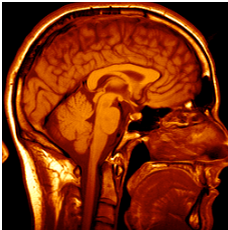
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Sportvision

+ Medical imaging



3D imaging: MRI, CT



Image guided surgery: Eric Grimson @ MIT

+ Face detection



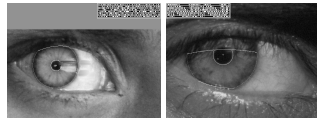
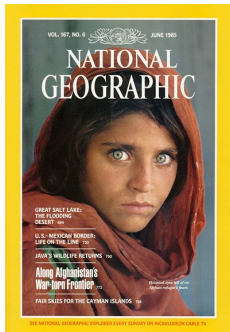
on many cameras...

Recognition is more difficult...
but products are pushing that way!

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NIWC_00L060



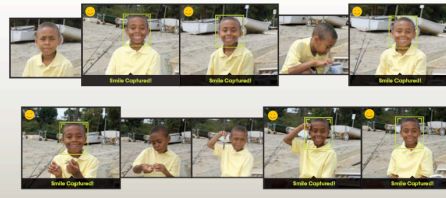
+ Face Recognition



+ Smile detection?

The Smile Shutter flow

Imagine a camera smart enough to catch every smile! In Smile Shutter Mode, your Cyber-shot® camera can automatically trip the shutter at just the right instant to catch the perfect expression.



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Sony's 'smile shutter' might make you grimace

Security




Fingerprint scanners can be vision-based devices




Face recognition systems now beginning to appear more widely
www.sensiblevision.com

key drawbacks?!

Entertainment



Shape capture
ESC Entertainment, XYZRGB, NBC



Motion capture
<http://www.ilm.com/show/>

Safety

Our Vision. Your Safety.



EyeQ Vision on a Chip



[read more](#)

Vision Applications

Road, vehicle, Pedestrian Protection and more



[read more](#)

AWS Advance Warning System



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News

► **Advanced Operational Technology Power**
Volvo Cars Shows Road Collision Warning with Auto Brake System

► **Volvo New Collision Warning**
Warning with Auto Brake System

Events

► **Hologex at Texas Auto, Dallas, Texas**

► **Hologex at SEMA, Las Vegas, NV**


[read more](#)


**MobilEye vision systems currently in high-end BMW, GM, Volvo model:
~70% of car manufacturers use cameras for safety**

courtesy of Amnon Shashua

LaneHawk


simpler recognition: products passing by...






"A smart camera is flush-mounted in the checkout lane, continuously watching for items. When an item is detected and recognized, the cashier verifies the quantity of items that were found under the basket, and continues to close the transaction. The item can remain under the basket, and with LaneHawk, you are assured to get paid for it..." ~ [Evolution Robotics, Pasadena.](#)


Games and vision-based interaction




Wimotes: infrared images



XBOX 360 Kinect




Digimask: put your face on a 3D avatar.



Camera tracking for crowd interactions...

Exploration in hostile environments (OK, robots!)



NASA's MER "Spirit" captured this westward view from atop a low plateau where Spirit spent the closing months of 2007.

Vision systems (JPL) used for several tasks

- Panorama stitching
- 3D terrain modeling
- Obstacle detection, position tracking
- slip detection on uncertain terrain

Larry Mathies, CMU

Object recognition with mobile phones

Lincoln Microsoft research




also: Point & Find, Nokia



"Hyperlinking Reality via Phones"

Object recognition with mobile phones

Lincoln Microsoft research

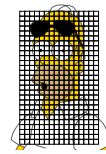
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Magazines/Books	DVDs/CDs	Places
Posters/Advertisements	Products	People
Beer mats	Paintings	Pets
	Scenery	Plants
	Storefronts	Clothes
	Toys/3D objects	Cars
		Shoes

pretty much sums up the state-of-the-art!

+ How is an image represented?



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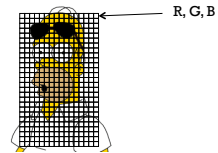


- images are made up of pixels
- for a color image, each pixel corresponds to an RGB value (i.e. three numbers)

+ Image file formats

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

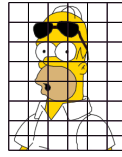
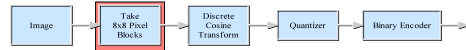
+ Bitmap



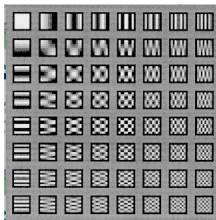
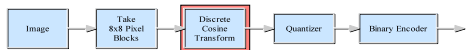
+ JPEG Compression Process



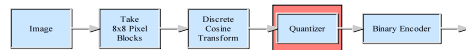
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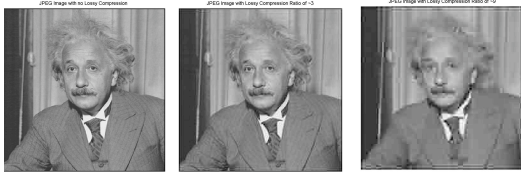


+ JPEG Compression Process



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

+ JPEG Compression



Object Recognition

What are these?



Object Recognition

Do you recognize these people?



order are: Michael Jordan, Woody Allen, Goldie Hawn, Bill Clinton, Tom Hanks, Saddam Hussein, Elvis Presley, Jay Leno, Dustin Hoffman, Prince Charles, Cher, and Richard Nixon.

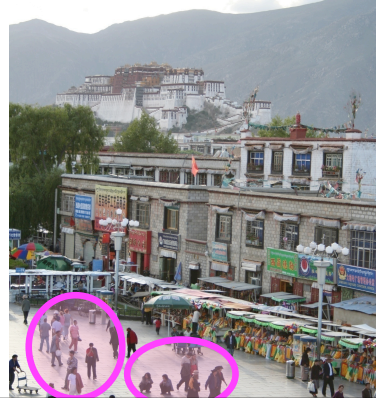
Different kinds of object recognition?



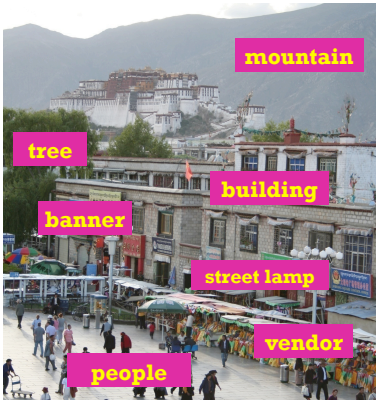
Identification: is that Potala Palace?



Detection: are there people (or faces)?



Object and scene categorization



Verification: is that a lamp?



+ Recognition Question(s)

- Identification:** Where is *this particular* object?
- Detection:** Locate *all* instances of a given class
- Content-based image retrieval:** Find something similar
- Categorization:** What *kind* of object(s) is(are) present?
- Verification:** Is this what I think it is?

How might you arrange these, in order of difficulty?

[Geurka et al. 2006]

+ Recognition Questions

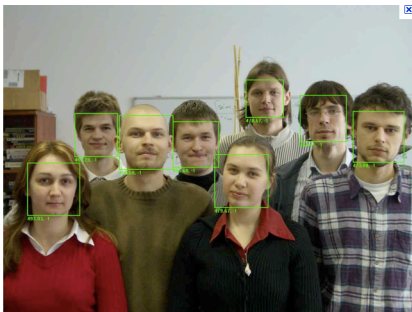
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More accessible

More challenging

Certainly arguable !

+ Today: face recognition



+ Face recognition?

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+ Eigenfaces: how do people do it?



The "Margaret Thatcher Illusion", by Peter Thompson

Eigenfaces for recognition

Matthew Turk and Alex Pentland
J. Cognitive Neuroscience, 1991

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+ Image features

- We'd like to represent an image as vector of features
 - good for machine learning techniques
 - distance/similarity measures
 - etc.
- What are possible features?

+ Color

How can we represent color?

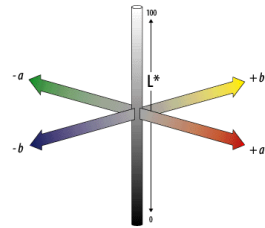
Which is more similar?



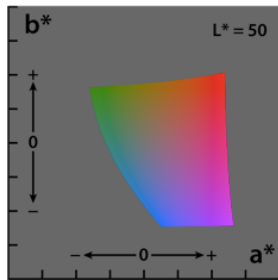
+ L*a*b*

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

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



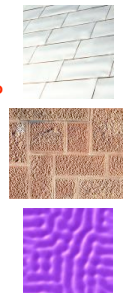
+ L*a*b*



Is color useful for face detection/verification?


+ Texture

How is texture different than color?




+ Texture

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



How can we capture texture?


+ Local "response" to feature functions



- A "feature" is a particular low-resolution image (intensities)
- "convolution"
 - matrix dot product
 - image portions with similar intensities will have high values
- Lots of possible features!

+ Example: Gabor Filters

Gabor filters are Gaussians modulated by sinusoids
They can be tuned in both the scale (size) and the orientation



Scale: 3 at 72° Scale: 4 at 108° Scale: 5 at 144°

+ Gabor filters



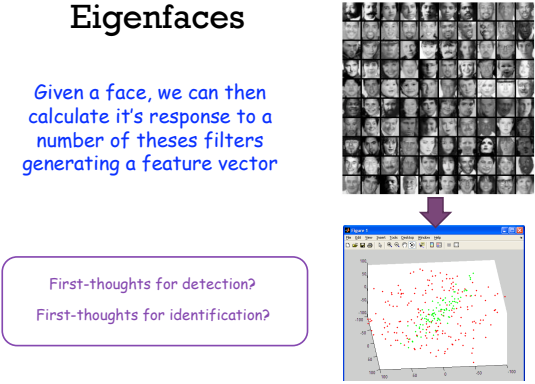
What would the response look like to a vertical filter?

+ Gabor filters



Eigenfaces

Given a face, we can then calculate its response to a number of these filters generating a feature vector



First-thoughts for detection?
First-thoughts for identification?

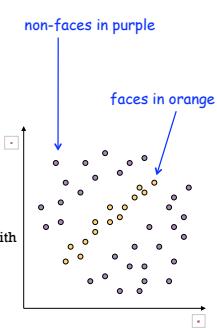
~10,000 dimensional space

Eigenfaces

Idea: faces have distinctive appearance

There is some **intra-class** variation

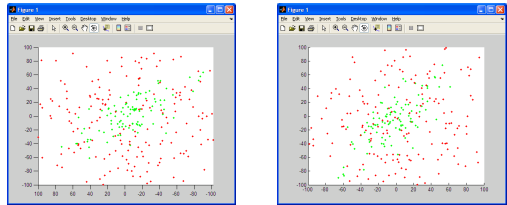
But nowhere **near** the **inter-class** variation with "everything else"



non-faces in purple

faces in orange

Only a few dimensions needed

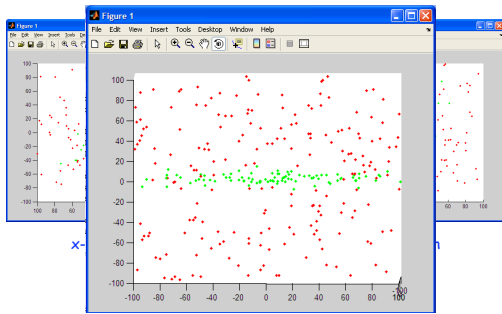


x-y projection

x-z projection

but which ones?

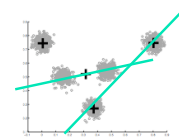
Only a few dimensions needed



this is a promising view!

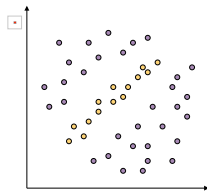
+ Learning a projection

- We saw data projection when we were looking at machine learning techniques... where?



- How did we figure out the projection for clustering?

Dimensionality reduction



How can we find the data's natural coordinate system?

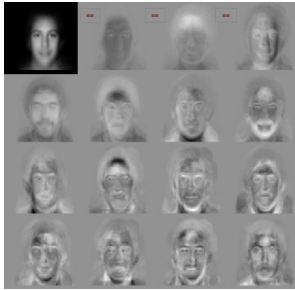
Principal component analysis

- Suppose each data point is N-dimensional
- What directions maximize variance?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(\mathbf{v}) &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \|(\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \cdot \mathbf{v}\|^2 \\ &= \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v} \quad \text{where } \mathbf{A} = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} (\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}})(\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \end{aligned}$$

- Solution: the eigenvectors of the variance matrix \mathbf{A}
 - eigenvector with largest eigenvalue captures the most variation among training vectors \mathbf{x}
 - eigenvector with smallest eigenvalue has least variation
- We can use only the top few eigenvectors
 - corresponds to choosing a "linear subspace"
 - represent points on a line, plane, or "hyper-plane"
 - these eigenvectors are known as the **principal components**

Eigenfaces: pictures!



What do each of these mean?


Eigenfaces (plus the average face)

Projecting onto low-d eigenspace

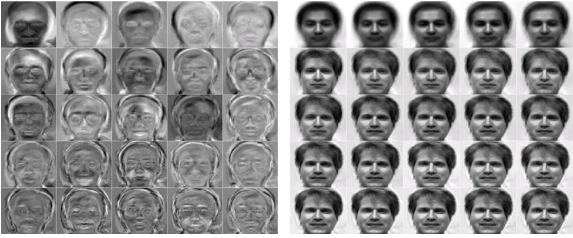
- The eigenfaces v_1, \dots, v_K span the space of faces
- A face is converted to eigenface coordinates by

$$x \rightarrow ((x - \bar{x}) \cdot v_1, (x - \bar{x}) \cdot v_2, \dots, (x - \bar{x}) \cdot v_K)$$

$$x \approx \bar{x} + a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + \dots + a_K v_K$$



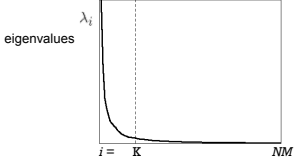
Eigenfaces: pictures!



Eigenfaces (without the average face)

Progressive reconstructions...

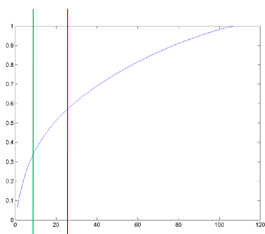
How many dimensions?



The hope...

- How many eigenfaces to use?
- Look at the decay of the eigenvalues
 - the eigenvalue tells you the amount of variance "in the direction" of that eigenface
 - ignore eigenfaces with low variance

How many dimensions?



In practice

- Total variance captured vs. number of eigenfaces used
- **K = 10** captures about 36% of the variance
- **K = 25** captures about 56%

Eigenfaces: recognition (id)



32 test cases
Novel image on left; best-matching image on right

Eigenfaces: recognition (id)

Different lighting conditions



Different facial expressions



On which set do you think eigenfaces will perform better?

Eigenfaces: recognition (id)

Different lighting conditions

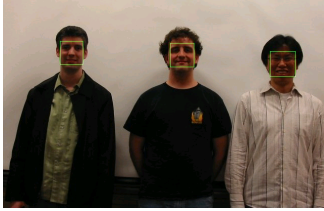


Different facial expressions



9/16 for lighting changes ... 23/26 for expression changes

Eigenfaces: detection



How can we do this using eigenfaces?

Eigenfaces: detection



Difficult to avoid false positives...

Top 4

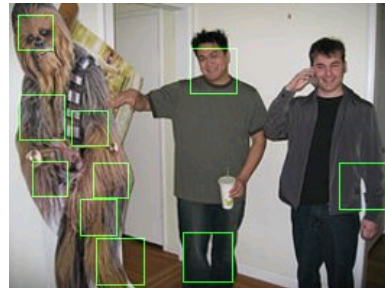
Eigenfaces: detection



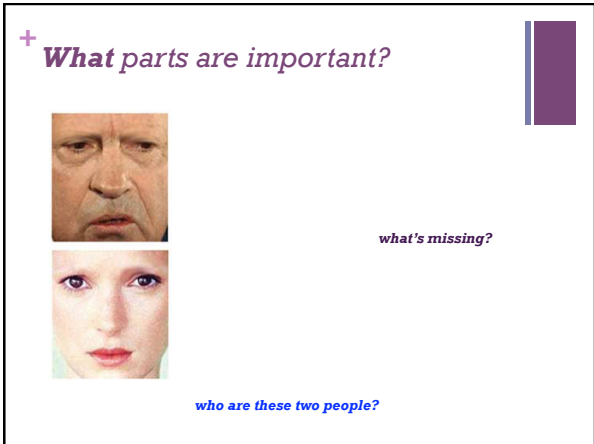
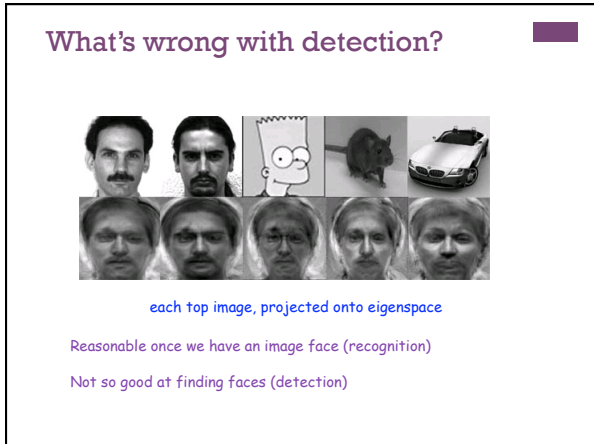
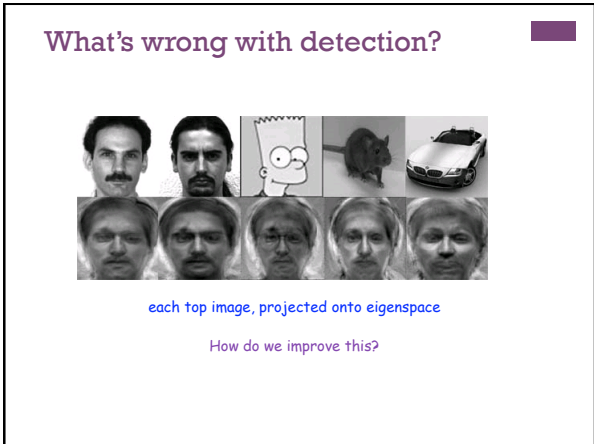
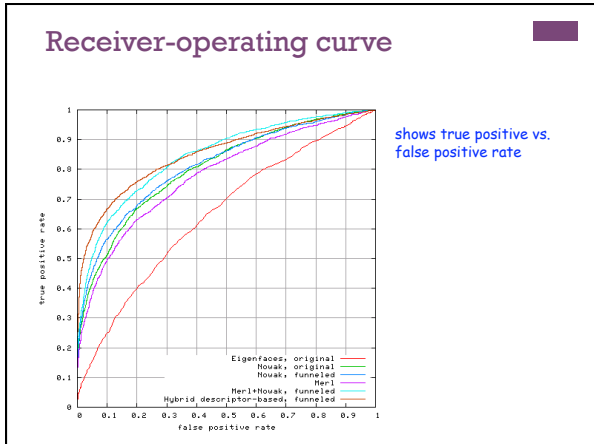
Difficult to avoid false positives...

Top 3

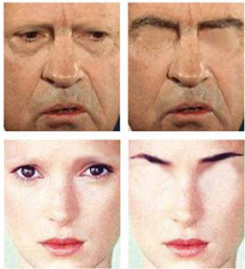
Eigenfaces: detection



Top few




+ What parts are important?



eyes vs. eyebrows

who are these two people?

+ What parts are important?



Nixon

Winona Ryder

who are these two people?

+ Robust real-time face detection

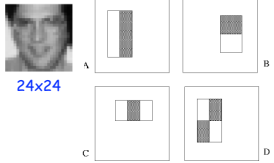
- Paul A. Viola and Michael J. Jones
- *Intl. J. Computer Vision*
- 57(2), 137–154, 2004

Learn which “parts” are most important...

+ Image features

- “Rectangle/box filters”
 - Similar to Haar wavelets
- **Differences** between sums of pixels in adjacent rectangles
- Simple thresholding

face ~ simple parts



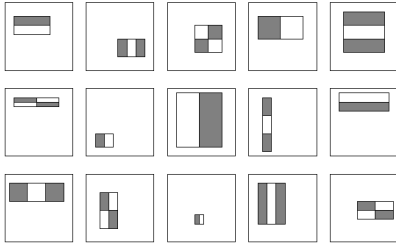
24x24

$$h_i(x) = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } f_i(x) > \theta_i \\ -1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

gray regions are subtracted (after summing)
white regions are added (after summing)

each box filter is present or absent

+ Huge library of filters



+ Constructing the classifier

■ For each round of boosting: (AdaBoost)

- Evaluate each rectangle filter on each example
- Sort examples by filter values
 - Use sorting to quickly scan for optimal threshold
- Select best threshold for each filter (min error)
 - Use sorting to quickly scan for optimal threshold
- Select best filter/threshold combination
- Reweight examples
 - (There are many tricks to make this more efficient.)

+ Characteristics of algorithm

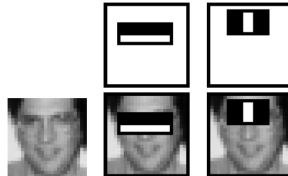
- Feature set (...is huge about 16M features)
- Efficient feature selection using AdaBoost
- New image representation
- Cascaded Classifier combining simple weak classifiers for rapid detection
- Fastest known face detector for gray scale images

Viola and Jones: Results

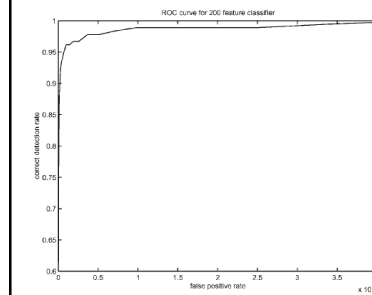


+ First two filters

- First classifier:
 - 2 features
 - 100% detection
 - 40% false detection



- The whole cascade:
 - 38 stages
 - 6000 features in total
 - On dataset with 507 faces and 75 millions sub-windows, faces are detected using 10 feature evaluations on average.
 - On average, 10 feature evals/sub-window



Robustness...

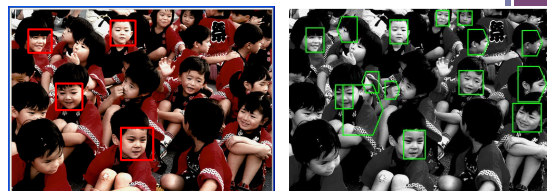
Receiver - operating curve for best 200 features
shows true positive vs. false positive rate

+ Summary (Viola-Jones)

- Fastest known face detector for gray images
- Three contributions with broad applicability:
 - ❖ Cascaded classifier yields rapid classification
 - ❖ AdaBoost as an extremely efficient feature selector
 - ❖ Rectangle Features + Integral Image can be used for rapid image analysis

But, there are better ones out there...

+ Other algorithms are available...



Viola & Jones

Schneiderman Kanade



+Happy face!

