

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

CPSC 425: Computer Vision



Lecture 18: Visual Classification 1, Bag of Words

Menu for Today

Topics:

— Visual Classification

Readings:

- Today's Lecture: Szeliski 11.4, 12.3-12.4, 9.3, 5.1-5.2

Reminders:

- Quiz 4 will be available tonight (Topics: SIFT, Image Warping, Stereo)
- Quiz 5 will be next Monday (Topics: Optical Flow, Classification)

- **Bag of Words** Representations

- Issue with **Assignment 5** (see Piazza, instructions have been updated)







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Training of Vision-Language Models

A big tan stuffed bear sitting in front of the store where there are many sale items on display; the door appears to be closed with no people in sight.





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Segmentation ...

GT ALBEF SelfEQ HIST Kid in red sweatshirt Pink pouch Man in the mirror Blurry pie The further meter and

and lady in the back black bag

and food nearest to us the mans head

and

and nearest meter

Method	Training	Flickr30K	Referit
InfoGround [10]	VG-boxes	76.7	_
VMRM [8]	VG-boxes	81.1	-
AMC [41]	VG-boxes	86.6	73.2
ALBEF [21]	Zero-shot	79.4	59.7
BLIP [22]	Zero-shot	80.1	51.6
g [33]	VG	75.6	66.0
g++ [32]	VG	80.0	70.3
ALBEF + SelfEQ ^{\dagger} [12]	VG	81.7	67.0
ALBEF + SelfEQ [12]	VG	<u>81.9</u>	67.4
(Ours) ALBEF + HIST	VG	83.6	<u>69.5</u>
(Ours) BLIP + HIST	VG	81.5	58.1
g [33]	COCO	75.4	61.0
g++ [32]	COCO	78.1	61.5
ALBEF + SelfEQ ^{\dagger} [12]	COCO	84.1	62.8
ALBEF + SelfEQ [12]	COCO	84.1	<u>62.8</u>
(Ours) ALBEF + HIST	COCO	85.3	63.4
(Ours) BLIP + HIST	COCO	<u>84.7</u>	57.6



Few-shot Segmentation





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0-shot 0-shot 1-shot w/o ITM w ITM







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EXAMPLES from the task:

EXAMPLE 0





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EXAMPLE 1





TASK REQUEST PROMPT #: <Image> <Image> ... Which point ... (D) Point.



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def sol_0(prompt, image_1):

Step 1: Parse the prompt objects_info = llama(f"ldentify the two objects and their spatial relationship in the following prompt: {prompt}. Please return the objects and the relationship clearly.")

Step 2: Construct the enhanced prompt enhanced_prompt = f"{prompt} Here are the objects and their spatial relationship: {objects_info}. The image's origin is at the upper-left corner (0, 0), and all coordinates are normalized within the range [0, 1]."

Step 3: Use the VLM to analyze the image response = LLaVA_13B(enhanced_prompt, image_1)

return response

Examples from the task

person?\nSelect from the following choices.\n(A) yes\n(B) no. Answer: (A)

> # Step 2: Use sliding window detection all possible boxes = [] for obj in objects_list: possible_patches, possible_boxes = sliding_window_detection(image_1, [obj]) all_possible_boxes.append(possible_boxes[0])

Step 3: Prepare the prompt prompt += (...)

Step 4: Verify the spatial relationship using VLM response = InternVL(prompt, image_1) return response



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User constraints

- Only use open source models
- Less than 10 sec per sample

MMFactory

def sol_1(prompt, image_1):

Step 1: Parse the objects from the prompt object names = llama(f"Identify the two objects mentioned in the following prompt: {prompt}. Please return only the object names separated by a

Step 2: Detect the objects in the image objects = [name.strip() for name in object_names.split(",")] img, image_boxes = detection(image_1, objects)

Step 3: Prepare the prompt for the VLM prompt += " Here are the bounding boxes of the objects for reference: " + str(image_boxes) prompt += " The image's origin is ... range [0, 1]. Bounding boxes follow the format [x, y, w, h] ... width and height, respectively."

Step 4: Verify the spatial relationship using VLM response = LLaVA_7B(prompt, image_1)

def sol_4(prompt, image_1):

Step 1: Parse the objects of interest objects of interest = llama(...) objects_list = [obj.strip() for obj in objects_of_interest.split(",") if obj.strip()]

Task definition

In this task, you are given a prompt and an image. The prompt will mention two objects of interest and describe a spatial relation ... verify whether the prompt accurately reflects the spatial relationship ...

Execution results:

>>> print(object_names)

laptop, person

>>> print(objects)

["laptop", "person"]

>>> display(img)



>>> print(image_boxes) [[0.6208, 0.5451, 0.7514, 0.7983], [0.7446, 0.8226, 0.3865, 0.3487]] >>> print(prompt)

Is the laptop touching the person? Select from the following choices. (A) yes(B) no Here are the bounding boxes of the objects for reference: [[0.6208, 0.5451, 0.7514, 0.7983], [0.7446, 0.8226, 0.3865, 0.3487]] The image's origin is Bounding boxes follow the format [x, y, w, h] ... width and height, respectively. >>> print(response)

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Method	Depth	Spatial	Jigsaw	Vis corr.	Sem. Corr.	Art	Count	Fun. Corr.	Local.	Multi- view	Refl.	Fore.	IQ	Sin
Open-source multimodal LLMs														
OpenFlamingo-v2 InstructBLIP-7B InstructBLIP-13B CogVLM LLaVA-v1.5-7B LLaVA-v1.5-13B	<u>54.03</u> 51.61 51.61 50.81 52.42 53.23	43.36 56.64 65.73 67.13 61.54 67.83	47.33 52.67 52.67 52.67 11.33 <u>58.00</u>	25.58 30.81 29.65 20.93 25.58 29.07	30.22 30.94 <u>32.37</u> 23.57 23.02 <u>32.37</u>	52.14 47.86 50.43 49.57 47.86 47.86	21.67 29.17 30.83 <u>46.32</u> 43.33 50.00	36.15 <u>23.85</u> 22.31 <u>23.85</u> 21.54 20.77	52.00 44.80 52.00 43.20 48.80 47.20	41.35 58.65 54.14 <u>57.14</u> 49.62 41.35	43.28 29.85 46.27 26.87 36.57 <u>45.52</u>	15.91 29.55 13.64 24.24 <u>28.03</u> 27.27	23.33 23.33 26.00 26.67 24.00 <u>28.00</u>	55.1 46.3 46.3 46.3 46.3
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Ours (GPT-40)	80.25	81.82	75.33	85.47	<u>58.27</u>	83.01	61.67	55.38	59.02	60.20	35.07	84.82	<u>28.67</u>	75.3



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Object Recognition / Detection

Template matching ...



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Object Recognition / Detection

Object recognition with SIFT features and RANSAC [Lowe 1999]





What is present? Where? What orientation?







Object Recognition / Detection

PASCAL Visual Object Classes Challenges [2005-2012]







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Object Classification and Detection

Detection: Label per region, e.g., PASCAL VOC



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Classification: Label per image, e.g., ImageNet



Detection: Label per region, e.g., PASCAL VOC

cockroach

starfish

tick

amphibian

drilling platform

fireboat



scooter	leopard	grille	mushroom
otor scooter	leopard	convertible	agaric
go-kart	jaguar	grille	mushroom
moped	cheetah	pickup	jelly fungus
bumper car	snow leopard	beach wagon	gill fungus
golfcart	Egyptian cat	fire engine	dead-man's-fingers

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Segmentation

Segmentation: Label per pixel, e.g., MS COCO



[Hu et al 2017]

Structured Image Understanding

"Girl feeding large elephant" "A man taking a picture behind girl"



visualgenome.org [Krishna et al 2017]

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Classification: Instance vs. Category



Instance of Aeroplane (Wright Flyer)













Category of Aeroplane

[Caltech IOI]





Classification: Instance vs. Category



Instance of a cat



Category of domestic cats



Taxonomy of Cats

- → Mammals (Class Mammalia)
 - → Therians (Subclass Theria)
 - → Placental Mammals (Infraclass Placentalia)
 - └→ Ungulates, Carnivorans, and Allies (Superorder Laurasiatheria)
 - → Carnivorans (Order Carnivora)
 - → Felines (Family Felidae)
 - → Small Cats (Subfamily Felinae)
 - → Genus *Felis*
 - → Chinese Mountain Cat (Felis bieti)
 - → Domestic Cat (Felis catus)
 - → Jungle Cat (Felis chaus)
 - → African Wildcat (Felis lybica)
 - → Sand Cat (Felis margarita)
 - → Black-footed Cat (Felis nigripes)
 - └→ European Wildcat (Felis silvestris)





Ocelot [Jitze Couperus]



European Wildcat [the wasp factory]



[inaturalist.org]

WordNet

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lexical database [wordnet.princeton.edu]

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If we call a "sailboat" a watercraft, is this wrong? What if we call it a "sail"?

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Tiny Image Dataset

Precursor to ImageNet and CIFAR10/100

- 80 million images collected via image search circa 2008 using 75,062 noun synsets from WordNet (labels are noisy)
- Very small images (32x32xRGB) used to minimise storage
- Note human performance is still quite good at this scale!





[Torralba Freeman Fergus 2008]

CIFAR10 Dataset

Hand labelled set of 10 categories from Tiny Images dataset 60,000 32x32 images in 10 classes (50k train, 10k test)

airplane	
automobile	
bird	
cat	
deer	
dog	The Act of
frog	
horse	
ship	
truck	

Good test set for visual recognition problems



Problem:

Assign new observations into one of a fixed set of categories (classes)

Key Idea(s):

Build a model of data in a given category based on observations of instances in that category



(assume given set of discrete labels) {dog, cat, truck, plane, ...}

cat



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4	47	69	28	73	92	13	86	52	17	77	04	89	55	40
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Collect a database of images with labels

- Use ML to train an image classifier
- Evaluate the classifier on test images



Example training set
Example 1: A Toy Classification Problem

Categorize images of fish - "Atlantic salmon" vs "Pacific salmon"

Use **features** such as length, width, lightness, fin shape & number, mouth position, etc.

Given a previously unobserved image of a salmon, use the learned classifier to guess whether it is an Atlantic or Pacific salmon



Figure credit: Duda & Hart

Example 2: Real Classification Problem

SUN Dataset

- 131K images
- 908 scene categories

indoor	shopping and dining	auto showroom
outdoor natural	workplace (office building, factory, lab, etc.)	bakery kitchen
outdoor man-made	home or hotel	bakery shop
	transportation (vehicle interiors, stations, etc.)	bank indoor
	sports and leisure	bank vault
	cultural (art, education, religion, millitary, law, politics, etc.)	banquet hall
		bar
		IV = - with

Example 3: Real Classification Problem



An object occurring naturally; not made by man

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Closed-world problem

Issue: Classification assumes that incoming image belongs to one of k classes. However, in practice it is impossible to enumerate all relevant classes in the world, nor would doing so be useful. So how do we deal with images which don't belong?

Solution: Create an "unknown" or "irrelevant" class.

Traditional Image Classification Pipeline







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Image Classification

Representation of Images

- Image pixels directly
- Bag of Words

Classification Algorithms

- Bayes' Classifier
- Nearest Neighbor Classifier
- SVM Classifier



Visual Words

Many algorithms for image classification accumulate evidence on the basis of **visual words**.

To classify a text document (e.g. as an article on sports, entertainment, business, politics) we might find patterns in the occurrences of certain words.

Vector Space Model

G. Salton. 'Mathematics and Information Retrieval' Journal of Documentation, 1979





University of Southern the ankle. California, MIT and

Mellon University. Park, software, made it possible in li working with collaborators for the robotic device to its at Harvard University, the achieve natural motions in beh CON

Tartan

http://www.fodey.com/generators/newspaper/snippet.asp



1	6	2	1	0	0	0	1
Tartan	robot	CHIMP	CMU	bio	soft	ankle	sensor



Vector Space Model

A document (datapoint) is a vector of counts over each word (feature)

 $n(\cdot)$ counts the number of occurrences just a histogram over words

What is the similarity between two documents?

 $\boldsymbol{v}_d = [n(w_{1,d}) \ n(w_{2,d}) \ \cdots \ n(w_{T,d})]$





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Use any distance you want but the cosine distance is fast and well designed for high-dimensional vector spaces:

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 $oldsymbol{v}_d = [n(w_{1,d}) \quad n(w_{2,d}) \quad \cdots \quad n(w_{T,d})]$

just a histogram over words









Visual Words

patch is described using a descriptor such as SIFT.

We construct a vocabulary or codebook of local descriptors, containing representative local descriptors.

In images, the equivalent of a **word** is a **local image patch**. The local image

What **Objects** do These Parts Belong To?









0.40























Some local feature are very informative

An object as





- deals well with occlusion
- scale invariant
- rotation invariant

(not so) Crazy Assumption



spatial information of local features can be ignored for object recognition (i.e., verification)

Recall: Texture Representation













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2. Learn visual dictionary (e.g., K-means clustering)





What **Features** Should We Extract?

- Regular grid Vogel & Schiele, 2003 Fei-Fei & Perona, 2005
- Interest point detector Csurka et al. 2004 Fei-Fei & Perona, 2005 Sivic et al. 2005
- Other methods Random sampling (Vidal-Naquet & Ullman, 2002) Segmentation-based patches (Barnard et al. 2003)



Extracting SIFT Patches



Compute SIFT descriptor

[Lowe'99]

Normalize patch



Detect patches

[Mikojaczyk and Schmid '02] [Mata, Chum, Urban & Pajdla, '02] [Sivic & Zisserman, '03]

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Creating **Dictionary**



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K-means clustering

K-Means Clustering

Assume we **know** how many clusters there are in the data - denote by K

Each **cluster** is represented by a **cluster center**, or mean

in letting each data point be represented by some cluster center

Minimize



Our objective is to minimize the representation error (or quantization error)

$$\sum_{h \ cluster} ||x_j - \mu_i||^2 \bigg\}$$

K-Means Clustering

K-means clustering alternates between two steps:

- **1**. Assume the cluster centers are known (fixed). Assign each point to the closest cluster center.
- **2.** Assume the assignment of points to clusters is known (fixed). to the cluster.
- The algorithm is initialized by choosing K random cluster centers
- K-means converges to a local minimum of the objective function Results are initialization dependent

Compute the best center for each cluster, as the mean of the points assigned



True Clusters



















Example Visual Dictionary







Source: B. Leibe
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1. Quantization: image features gets associated to a visual word (nearest cluster center)













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2. Histogram: count the number of visual word occurrences







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frequency

codewords





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Classify Visual Word Histograms

e.g., bird vs plane classifier as linear classifier in space of histograms Histograms of visual word frequencies = vector **x**, linear classifier **w**



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- 17 samples of grass
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Example: 2D Bayes Classifier **Green** color channel value • 17 samples of grass 15 samples of sky 0 Given a (g,b) pixel value from a new patch is it more likely to be be grass or sky? These could be (g,b) pixel value of an image patch with sky



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Loss Functions and Classifiers

Loss

- Some errors may be more expensive than others
 Example: A fatal disease that is easily cured by a cheap medicine with no side-effects. Here, false positives in diagnosis are better than false negatives
- We discuss two class classification: $L(1 \rightarrow 2)$ is the loss caused by calling 1 a 2
- Total risk of using classifier s is

$$R(s) = Pr\{1 \rightarrow 2 \mid using s\} L(1)$$

Probability of Miss-classification

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\rightarrow 2) + Pr{2 \rightarrow 1 | using **s**} L(2 \rightarrow 1)

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Find nearest neighbour in training set

Assign class to class of the nearest neighbour







Calculate $|\mathbf{x}_q - \mathbf{x}_i|$ for all training data

- $i_{NN} = \arg\min_{i} |\mathbf{x}_{q} \mathbf{x}_{i}|$

 - $\hat{y}(\mathbf{x}_q) = y(\mathbf{x}_{i_N N})$

We can view each image as a point in a high dimensional space



What do nearest neighbours look like with 80 million images?

Query

7900

Query

7900

790,000

7900

790,000

k-Nearest Neighbor (kNN) Classifier

by majority vote.

various dimensions

minimizing probability of error

- We can gain some robustness to noise by voting over **multiple** neighbours.
- Given a **new** data point, find the k nearest training examples. Assign the label

Simple method that works well if the **distance measure** correctly weights the

For **large data sets**, as k increases kNN approaches optimality in terms of

k-Nearest Neighbor (kNN) Classifier

1-Nearest Neighbor Classifier

15-Nearest Neighbor Classifier

kNN decision boundaries respond to local clusters where one class dominates

Figure credit: Hastie, Tibshirani & Friedman (2nd ed.)

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- **Idea:** Try to obtain the decision boundary directly
- The decision boundary is parameterized as a **separating hyperplane** in feature space.
- e.g. a separating line in 2D
- We choose the hyperplane that is as far as possible from each class that maximizes the distance to the closest point from either class.

Linear Classifier

Defines a score function:

Linear Classifier

Example with an image with 4 pixels, and 3 classes (cat/dog/ship)

stretch pixels into single column

0.2	-0.5	0.1	2.
1.5	1.3	2.1	0.
0	0.25	0.2	-0.

W

input image

What's the best w?

O O

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What's the best w?

from all interior points

What's the best w?

Want a hyperplane that is far away from 'inner points'

Find hyperplane w such that ...

Image Classification

- **Classification** Algorithms
- Bayes' Classifier
- Nearest Neighbor Classifier
- SVM Classifier

- Representation of Images
- Image pixels directly
- Bag of Words

3. Classify: Train and text classifier using BOWs

K nearest neighbors

Bag-of-Words Representation

Algorithm:

Initialize an empty K-bin histogram, where K is the number of codewords Extract local descriptors (e.g. SIFT) from the image For each local descriptor **x**

Map (Quantize) **x** to its closest codeword \rightarrow **c**(**x**) Increment the histogram bin for c(x)Return histogram

vector machine or k-Nearest Neighbor classifier

We can then classify the histogram using a trained classifier, e.g. a support

Spatial Pyramid

The bag of words representation does not preserve any spatial information

The **spatial pyramid** is one way to incorporate spatial information into the image descriptor.

A spatial pyramid partitions the image and counts codewords within each grid box; this is performed at multiple levels

Spatial Pyramid

Fig. 16.8 in Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.). Original credit: Lazebnik et al., 2006

VLAD (Vector of Locally Aggregated Descriptors)

histogram bin

to their visual words

we increment it by the **residual** vector **x** – **c(x)**

- There are more advanced ways to 'count' visual words than incrementing its
- For example, it might be useful to describe how local descriptors are quantized
- In the VLAD representation, instead of incrementing the histogram bin by one,

VLAD (Vector of Locally Aggregated Descriptors)

The dimensionality of a **VLAD** descriptor is *Kd*

- K: number of codewords
- -d: dimensionality of the local descriptor

codewords

VLAD characterizes the distribution of local descriptors with respect to the
Summary

Factors that make image classification hard - intra-class variation, viewpoint, illumination, clutter, occlusion...

A codebook of **visual words** contains representative local patch descriptors - can be constructed by clustering local descriptors (e.g. SIFT) in training images

The **bag of words** model accumulates a histogram of occurrences of each visual word

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