

Sparsity-based Face Recognition using Discriminative Graphical Models

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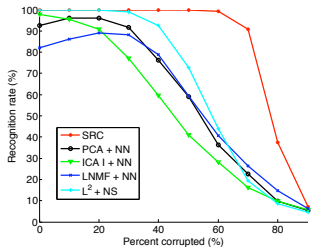
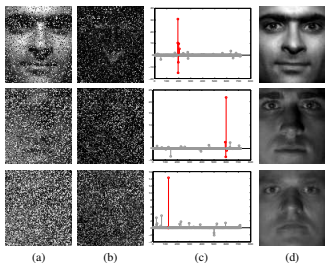


Figure: Left: Varying amounts of random pixel corruption. Right: Recognition rate variation with corruption.

Drawbacks and challenges

- 1 Accurate registration of training and test images necessary
 - Misalignment: translation, rotation, scale; pose and illumination variation; occlusion
 - Computational cost and feasibility in practical recognition systems
- 2 Class decision using reconstruction residuals
 - Does not capture inter-class variation
 - Sparse representations inherently discriminative.

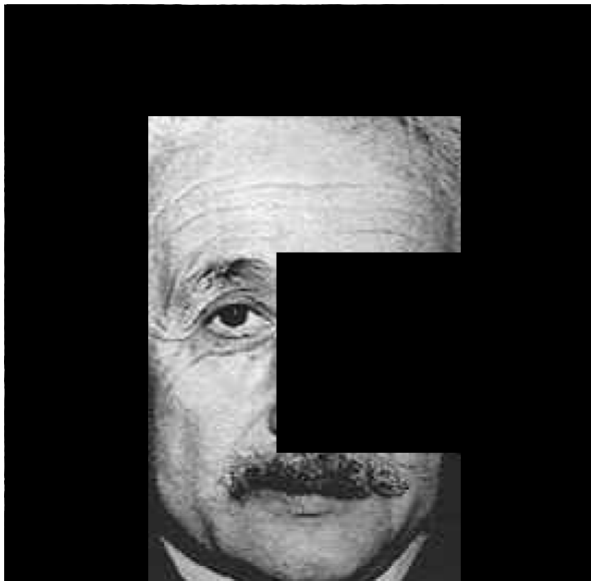
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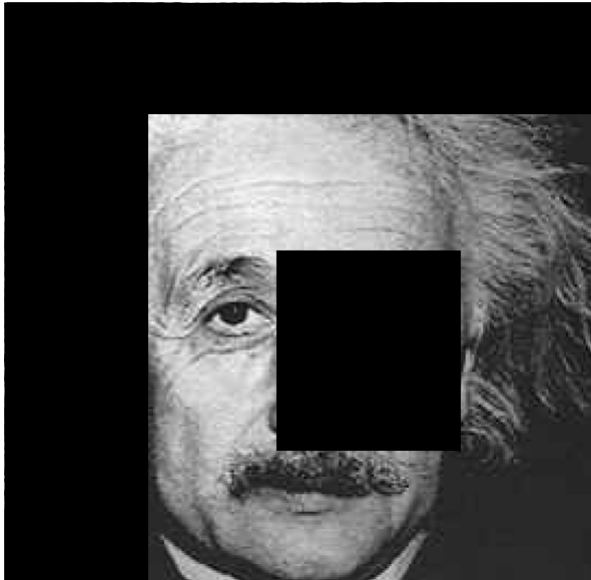
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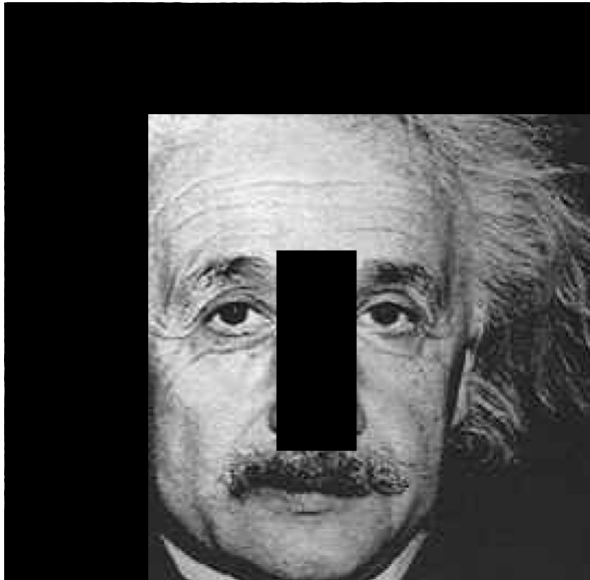
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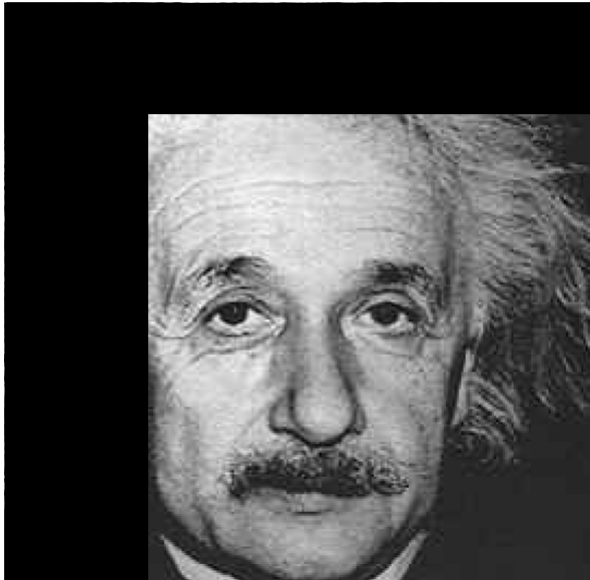
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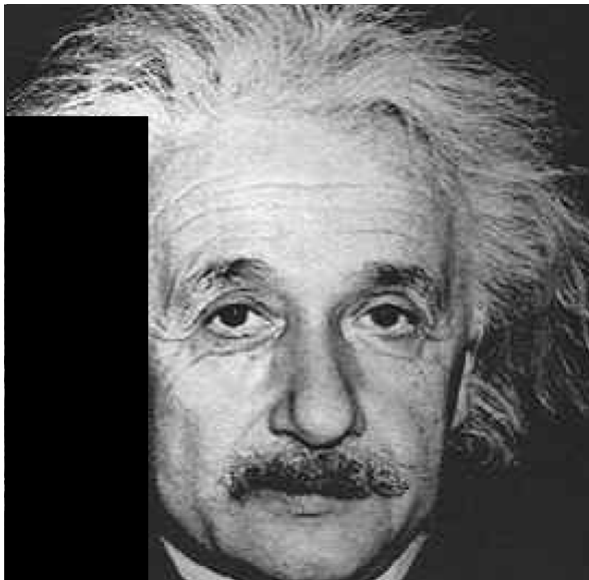
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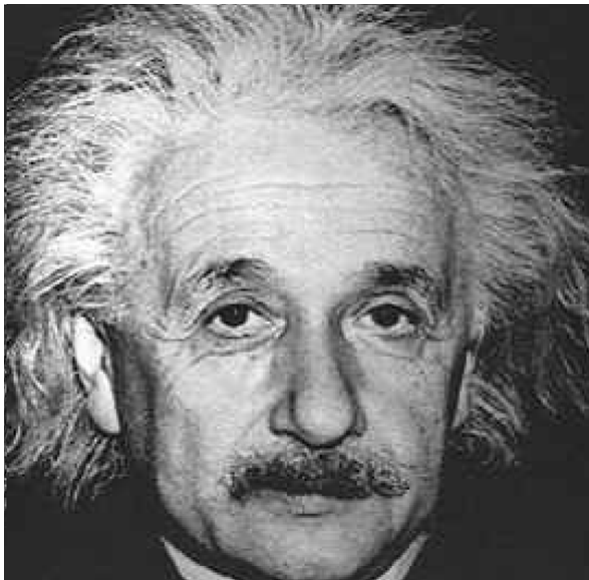
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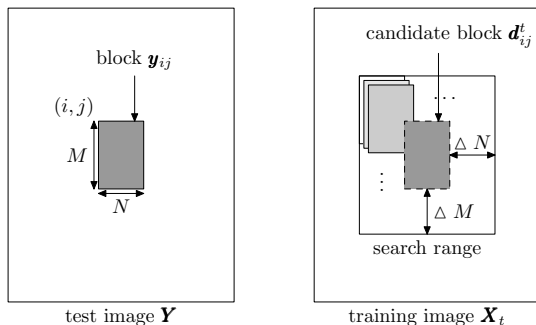
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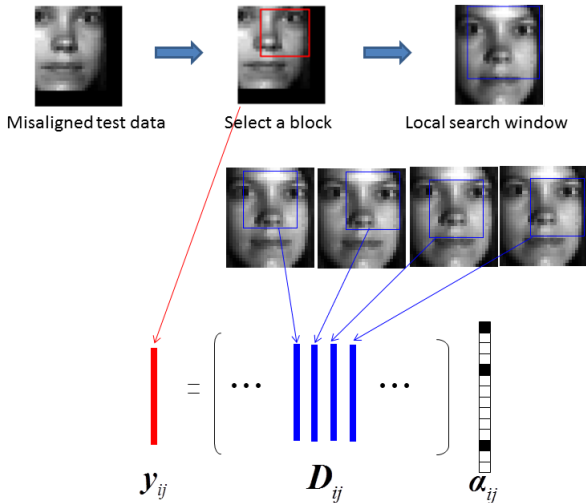
Local sparsity model for robust face recognition⁶



- Inspired by block-based motion estimation
- Block-sparsity model using **locally adaptive** dictionary \mathbf{D}_{ij}
- No explicit estimation of registration parameters.

⁶Chen et al., IEEE ICIP 2010

How to build the dictionary?



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Probabilistic graphical models: A brief review

- **Graph** $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$ defined by a set of nodes $\mathcal{V} = \{1, \dots, n\}$, and a set of edges $\mathcal{E} \subset \binom{\mathcal{V}}{2}$.
- **Graphical model**: Random vector defined on a graph; nodes represent random variables, edges reveal conditional dependencies.
- Graph structure defines factorization of joint probability distribution

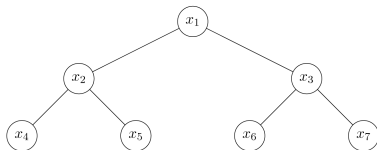


Figure: Tree - connected acyclic graph.

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = f(x_1)f(x_2|x_1)f(x_3|x_1)f(x_4|x_2)f(x_5|x_2)f(x_6|x_3)f(x_7|x_3).$$

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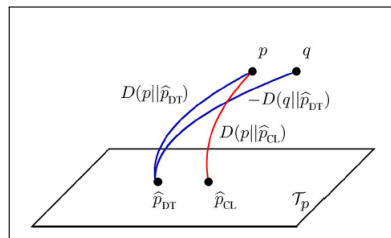
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(Figure courtesy Tan et al.)

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Discriminative graphical models for classification⁹

Two-stage framework:

- 1 Acquire multiple signal representations, which are **conditionally correlated** per class
- 2 Mine dependencies between different features via boosting on discriminative graphs.

⁹Srinivas et al., IEEE ICIP, Sep. 2011

Contribution: Robust face recognition using discriminative graphical models

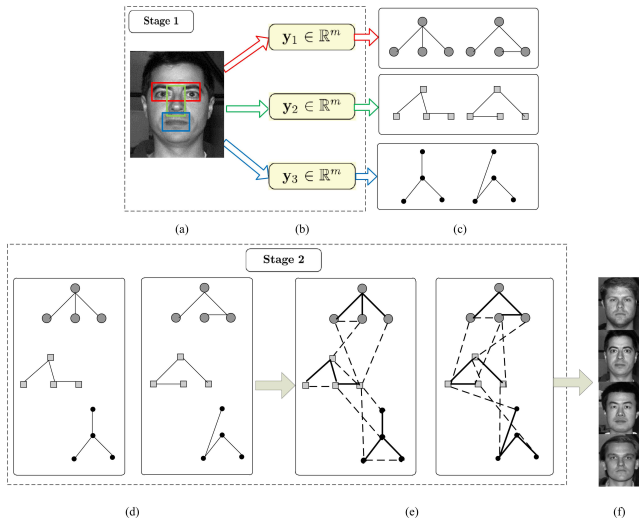
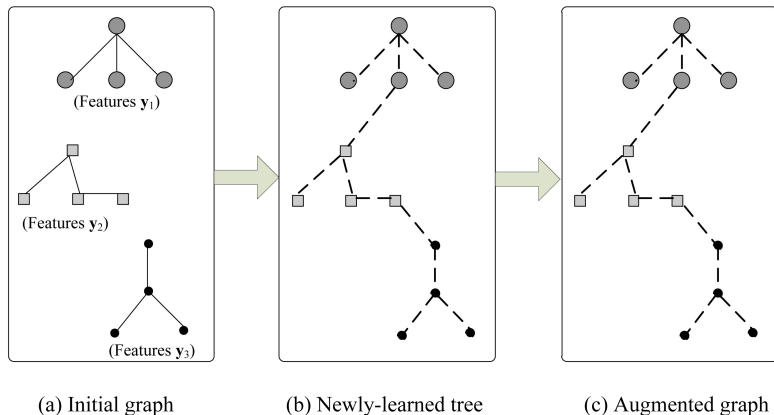


Figure: Learning graphs on sparse features.

Learning discriminative graphs: An illustration¹⁰

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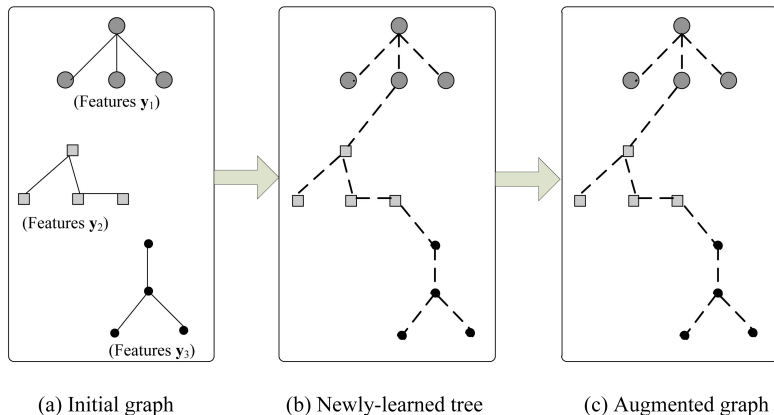


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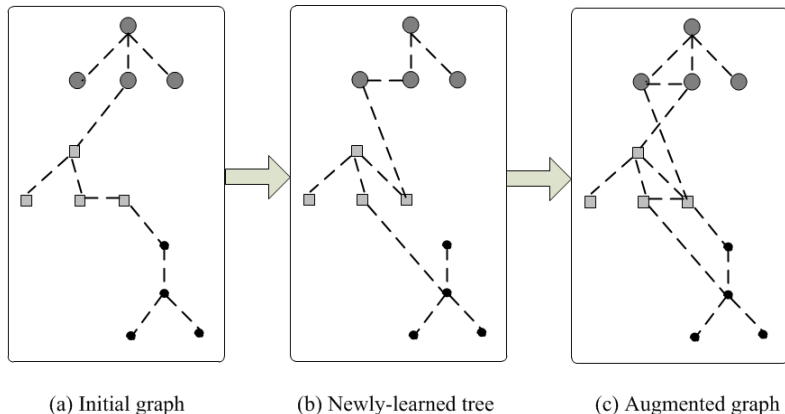


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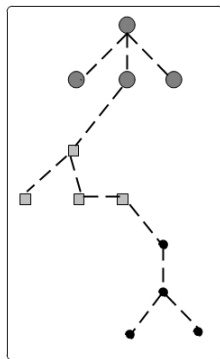
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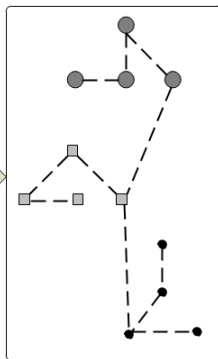
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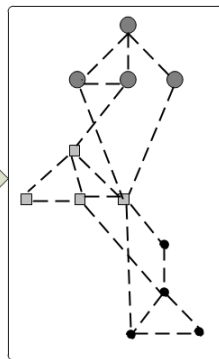
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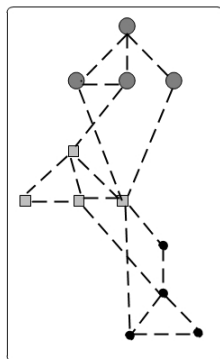
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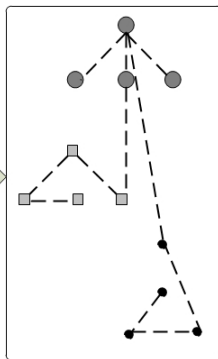
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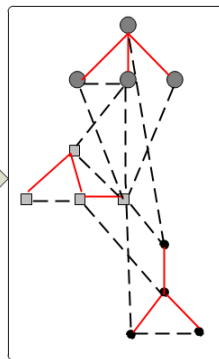
Iteration 4:



(a) Initial graph



(b) Newly-learned tree



(c) Augmented graph

Stopping criterion

How many edges to learn?

- 1 Cross-validation
- 2 Using the J -divergence:

$$\hat{J}(\hat{p}, \hat{q}; p, q) := \int_{\Omega \subset \mathcal{X}^n} (p(\mathbf{x}) - q(\mathbf{x})) \log \left(\frac{\hat{p}(\mathbf{x})}{\hat{q}(\mathbf{x})} \right) d\mathbf{x}.$$

Stopping criterion:

Stop after i boosting iterations if:

$$\frac{\hat{J}^{(i+1)}(\hat{p}, \hat{q}; p, q) - \hat{J}^{(i)}(\hat{p}, \hat{q}; p, q)}{\hat{J}^{(i)}(\hat{p}, \hat{q}; p, q)} < \epsilon$$

Learning thicker graphical models

- Final boosted classifier:

$$\begin{aligned} H_T(\mathbf{x}) &= \operatorname{sgn} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T \alpha_t \log \left(\frac{\hat{p}_t(\mathbf{x})}{\hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x})} \right) \right] = \operatorname{sgn} \left[\log \prod_{t=1}^T \left(\frac{\hat{p}_t(\mathbf{x})}{\hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x})} \right)^{\alpha_t} \right] \\ &= \operatorname{sgn} \left[\log \left(\frac{\prod_{t=1}^T (\hat{p}_t(\mathbf{x}))^{\alpha_t}}{\prod_{t=1}^T (\hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x}))^{\alpha_t}} \right) \right] = \operatorname{sgn} \left[\log \left(\frac{\hat{p}(\mathbf{x})}{\hat{q}(\mathbf{x})} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Define:

$$Z_p(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = Z_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_T) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \hat{p}(\mathbf{x}); Z_q(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \hat{q}(\mathbf{x})$$

- Normalized distributions for inference: $\frac{\hat{p}(\mathbf{x})}{Z_p(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}, \frac{\hat{q}(\mathbf{x})}{Z_q(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}$
→ Thicker **graphical models** learnt.

Robust face recognition using graphical models

$$i^* = \arg \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, K\}} \log \left(\frac{\hat{f}_p^i(\alpha)}{\hat{f}_q^i(\alpha)} \right). \quad (1)$$

Algorithm 1 Local-Sparse-Graphical-Model (LSGM) (Steps 1-4 offline)

- 1: **Feature extraction (training):** Obtain sparse representations $\alpha_l, l = 1, \dots, P$ in \mathbb{R}^m from facial features, using local block-sparsity model
 - 2: **Initial disjoint graphs:**
For $l = 1, \dots, P$
Discriminatively learn pairs of m -node tree graphs \mathcal{G}_l^p and \mathcal{G}_l^q on $\{\alpha_l\}$
 - 3: Separately concatenate nodes corresponding to p and q respectively
 - 4: **Boosting on disjoint graphs:** Iteratively thicken initial disjoint graphs via boosting to obtain final graphs \mathcal{G}^p and \mathcal{G}^q
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- {**Online process**}
- 5: **Feature extraction (test):** Obtain sparse representations $\alpha_l, l = 1, \dots, P$ in \mathbb{R}^m from test image
 - 6: **Inference:** Classify based on output of the resulting classifier using (1).
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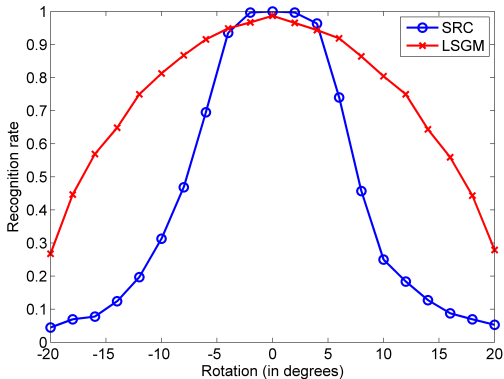
Results: Rotation (Extended Yale B)



Original



Rotated

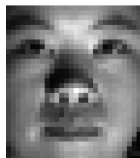


- SRC: sparse representation-based classification
- LSGM: local sparsity with graphical models.

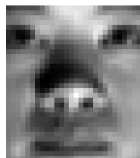
Results: Scaling (Yale)

Table: Recognition rate using SRC and LSGM.

| SF | 1 | 1.071 | 1.143 | 1.214 | 1.286 |
|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1 | 100 98.8 | 100 98.2 | 98.0 98.5 | 88.2 97.5 | 76.5 97.5 |
| 1.063 | 99.7 97.5 | 96.5 96.7 | 86.1 96.0 | 68.5 96.0 | 50.3 93.5 |
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| 1.25 | 36.1 94.9 | 27.2 93.0 | 20.9 92.2 | 16.6 87.9 | 12.3 82.0 |
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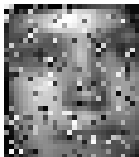
Table: Overall recognition rates.

| Method | Recog. rate (%) |
|-------------|-----------------|
| LSGM | 89.4 |
| SRC | 60.8 |
| Eigen-NS | 55.5 |
| Eigen-SVM | 56.7 |
| Fisher-NS | 54.1 |
| Fisher-SVM | 57.1 |

Results: Scaling and random pixel corruption (Yale)



Original



Distorted

Table: Test images scaled and subjected to random pixel corruption.

| Method | Recognition rate (%) |
|-------------|----------------------|
| LSGM | 96.3 |
| SRC | 93.2 |
| Eigen-NS | 54.3 |
| Eigen-SVM | 58.5 |
| Fisher-NS | 56.2 |
| Fisher-SVM | 59.9 |

Results: Scaling and disguise (AR database)



Sunglasses

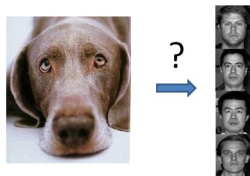


Scarf

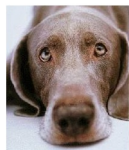
Table: Test images scaled and subjects wear disguise.

| Method | Recog. rate (%) | Recog. rate (%) |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Sunglasses | Scarves |
| LSGM | 96.0 | 92.9 |
| SRC | 93.5 | 90.1 |
| Eigen-NS | 47.2 | 29.6 |
| Eigen-SVM | 53.5 | 34.5 |
| Fisher-NS | 57.9 | 41.7 |
| Fisher-SVM | 61.7 | 43.6 |

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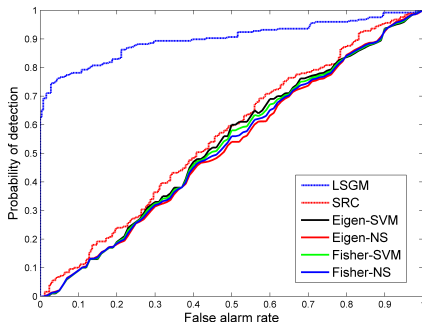


Figure: ROC curves for outlier rejection.

Conclusions

- Probabilistic graphical model framework for robust face recognition
 - Local block-based sparsity model → robustness to alignment errors and variety of distortions
 - Inspired by human perception → features built from informative regions of face
 - Explicitly captures conditional correlations between local sparse features.

Thank you
Questions?

Backup Slides

Edge weights:

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_{i,j}^p &:= \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{p}_{i,j}} \left[\log \frac{\tilde{p}_{i,j}}{\tilde{p}_i \tilde{p}_j} \right] - \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{q}_{i,j}} \left[\log \frac{\tilde{p}_{i,j}}{\tilde{p}_i \tilde{p}_j} \right] \\ \psi_{i,j}^q &:= \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{q}_{i,j}} \left[\log \frac{\tilde{q}_{i,j}}{\tilde{q}_i \tilde{q}_j} \right] - \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{p}_{i,j}} \left[\log \frac{\tilde{q}_{i,j}}{\tilde{q}_i \tilde{q}_j} \right].\end{aligned}$$

Algorithm 2 Discriminative trees (DT)

Given: Training sets \mathcal{T}_p and \mathcal{T}_q .

- 1: Estimate pairwise statistics $\tilde{p}_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$, $\tilde{q}_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$ for all edges (i, j) .
 - 2: Compute edge weights $\psi_{i,j}^p$ and $\psi_{i,j}^q$ for all edges (i, j) .
 - 3: Find $\mathcal{E}_{\hat{p}} = \text{MWST}(\psi_{i,j}^p)$ and $\mathcal{E}_{\hat{q}} = \text{MWST}(\psi_{i,j}^q)$.
 - 4: Get \hat{p} by projection of \tilde{p} onto $\mathcal{E}_{\hat{p}}$; likewise \hat{q} .
 - 5: LRT using \hat{p} and \hat{q} .
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Algorithm 3 AdaBoost learning algorithm

- 1: Input data (x_i, y_i) , $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$, where $x_i \in S$, $y_i \in \{-1, +1\}$
 - 2: Initialize $D_1(i) = \frac{1}{N}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$
 - 3: For $t = 1, 2, \dots, T$:
 - Train weak learner using distribution D_t
 - Determine weak hypothesis $h_t : S \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ with error ϵ_t
 - Choose $\beta_t = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1-\epsilon_t}{\epsilon_t} \right)$
 - $D_{t+1}(i) = \frac{1}{Z_t} \{D_t(i) \exp(-\beta_t y_i h_t(x_i))\}$, where Z_t is a normalization factor
 - 4: Output soft decision $H(x) = \text{sign} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T \beta_t h_t(x) \right]$.
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- Distribution of weights over the training set
- In each iteration, weak learner h_t minimizes weighted training error
- Weights on incorrectly classified samples increased \rightarrow slow learners penalized for harder examples.