Eigenfaces and Deformations

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Eigenfaces

L. Sirovich and M. Kirby (1987)

A popular technique to identify main features of a face; also serves as an illustration to Principal Components Analysis (PCA)/ Karhunen-Loeve decomposition/ Empirical Orthogonal functions etc.

Data: n observations of a d-dim vector \mathbf{x} . Represent as a matrix

$$\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_1....\mathbf{x}_n]$$

In our context: $d = dimension of the image (d = n_{row} \times n_{col})$, taken as a vector. (Ignore spatial information!)

Data

Data: from FERET database

Facial REcognition Technology (see http://www.itl.nist.gov/iad/humanid/feret/feret_master.html) (about 1000 subjects and 4000 frontal images)

Frontal images, 96*64, so that d = 6144, n = 200 so far. Two images per person (100 persons) to give an idea about variability.

Eigenvalue decomposition

Eigenvalue decomposition of Covariance matrix:

$$C = \frac{1}{n-1}(X - mean)'(X - mean)$$

- symmetric, positive-definite
- mean = columnwise mean (mean of x_1 in the 1st column, mean of \mathbf{x}_2 in the 2nd etc.)

thus

$$C = V \Lambda V'$$

 Λ is diagonal with eigenvalues, V is unitary, columns are eigenvectors

However, **C** is a $d \times d$ matrix, of rank only n: problems when d > n.

SVD

Another way: SVD (singular value decomposition)

$$X - mean = X_o = UDV'$$

U, **V** are unitary, **D** is diagonal

X is not necessarily symmetric now

note

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{X}_o' \mathbf{X}_o = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{U}' \mathbf{U} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{V}' = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{V}'$$

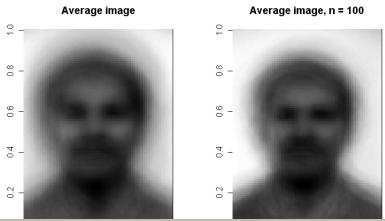
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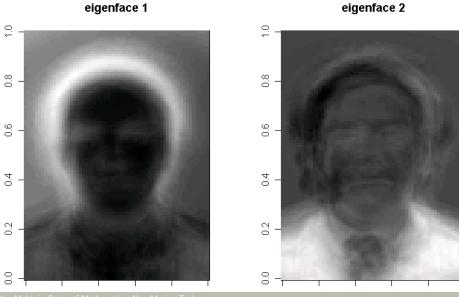
$$\Lambda = \frac{1}{n-1} \mathsf{DD}$$

Columns of **V** form an orthonormal *adaptive* basis.

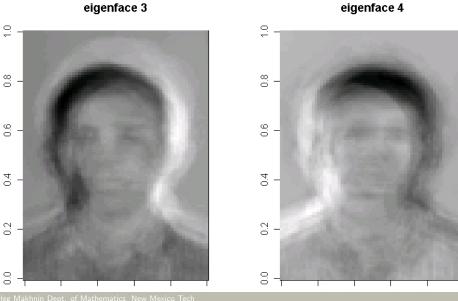
Illustration

The columns of V, or "principal components" are known as eigenfaces.

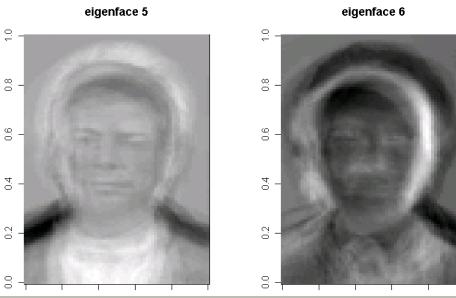




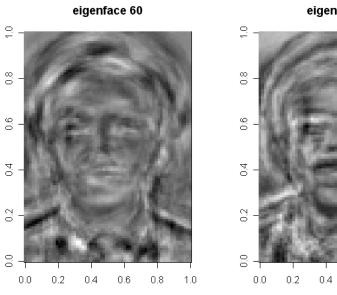
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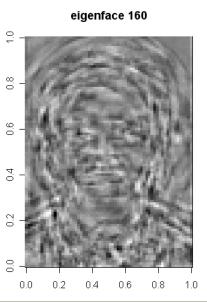
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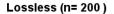
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Image "Compression"

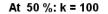
If we only keep k most important eigenfaces, we can reduce the image dimensionality/ database size

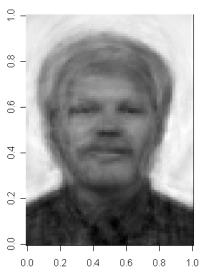




At 75 %: k = 150







At 25 %: k = 50



Difficulties

- The vector approach ignores the spatial structure of the face image.
- Different centering/scale and lighting conditions. Different expressions.
- Eigenfaces are mostly blurry features (i.e. "low-frequency" information)
- Variations of the technique: Fisherfaces (uses discriminant analysis to separate images of one person from images of another; e.g. answers the question which regions are important)

LaplacianFaces (uses manifold techniques)

Deformations

- Deformation is defined on a coarse grid (e.g. iris paper)
- J. Thornton, M. Savvides and V. Kumar (2007), A Bayesian Approach to Deformed Pattern Matching of Iris Images. IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, Volume 29(4), 596-606

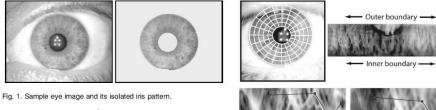
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(however they only applied deformation to matching a given image to the database, not in the database construction itself)

then is smoothly extended pixel-wise

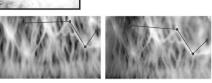
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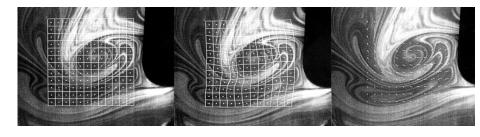
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Fig. 2. Top left: Location of iris region by boundary detection. Top right: Unwrapped iris pattern in normalized polar coordinates. Bottom: Close-ups of segmented patterns captured from same eye (landmark points illustrate relative deformation).



Deformations

Unexpected link: particle image velocimetry (PIV) F Scarano (2002) Iterative image deformation methods in PIV Meas. Sci. Technol. 13 R1-R19 PII: S0957-0233(02)20239-8



Primitive idea

- 1) estimate optimal shifts by maximizing correlation between square fragments of the coarse grid
- 2) smooth out to define the deformation vector field for every pixel (primitive: extrapolate from the corners of a square formed by

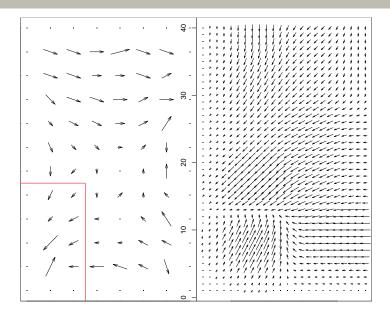
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points of coarse grid)

(more sophisticated: splin

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3) move the pixels according to the deformation field



Primitive idea (cont'd): Moving the pixels

A problem: non-integer shifts

Primitive solution: weigh the intensity according to fractional value of the shift

Deformations

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More sophisticated: apply Fourier transform (FT) to the image; then shifting the image will mean applying a phase shift to the FT, then inverse FT. However, deformation is not constant.

⇒ Digital filtering

Fitting a coarse deformation

Primitive idea: move blocks of pixels around to reach highest correlation between deformed image and reference image

More advanced approach:

minimize square discrepancy between the deformed image and the reference image. (likely Monte-Carlo methods)

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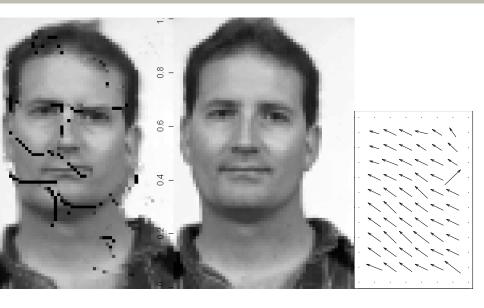
Bayesian twist: add a prior that regularizes the deformation field. Then we can find the MAP (Maximum a Posteriori Estimate) which is generalization of the Maximum Likelihood/ Least square approaches

Experiments



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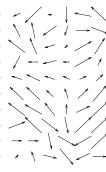
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Much work to be done!!!

Deform all other images to one arbitrarily chosen reference. What happens to eigenfaces?

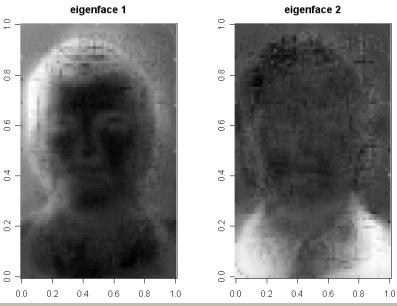
Reference image



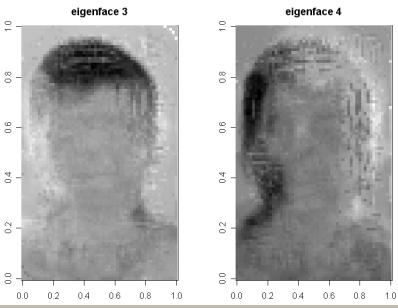
New mean image

Average

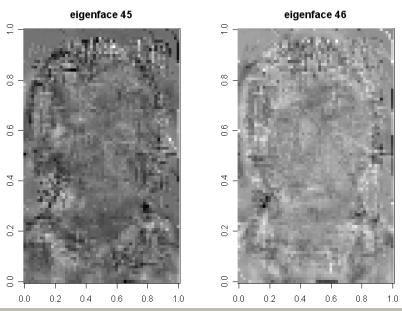




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Eigenfaces and deformations

So far, just deformed all images to an arbitrarily chosen reference, see how the eigenfaces change.

Potentially: should be an iterative process, for example

- 1) define a single "canonical image" for each person
- 2) define eigenfaces based on the canonical images
- 3) recalculate canonical images (deformation) based on the few important eigenfaces

If the task is e.g. pattern-matching, then match the (suitably deformed) query image to a canonical image.

QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU!

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