Texture

• This isn’t described in Trucco and Verri
• Parts are described in:
  – Computer Vision, a Modern Approach by Forsyth and Ponce
Texture

- Edge detectors find differences in overall intensity.
- Average intensity is only simplest difference.
Issues: 1) Discrimination/Analysis

The Goal of Texture Analysis

*input image*

\[\text{ANALYSIS} \rightarrow \text{“Same” or “different”}\]

*True (infinite) texture*  
*generated image*

Compare textures and decide if they’re made of the same “stuff”.

(Freeman)
2) Synthesis

The Goal of Texture Synthesis

True (infinite) texture  SYNTHESIS  generated image
Many more issues

3. Texture boundary detection. 4. Shape from texture. We’ll focus on 1 and 2.

(www.cmap.polytechnique.fr/~maureen/vasarely3.jpg)
What is texture?

- Something that repeats with variation.
- Must separate what repeats and what stays the same.
- Model as repeated trials of a random process
  - The probability distribution stays the same.
  - But each trial is different.
  - This may be true (eg., pile of objects)
  - Or not really (tile floor).
Simplest Texture

• Each pixel independent, identically distributed (iid).

• Examples:
  – Region of constant intensity.
  – Gaussian noise pattern.
  – Speckled pattern

Matlab
Texture Discrimination is then Statistics

- Two sets of samples.
- Do they come from the same random process?
Simplest Texture Discrimination

• Compare sample distributions (histograms).
  – Divide intensities into discrete ranges.
  – Count how many pixels in each range.
How/why to compare

• Simplest comparison is SSD, many others.
• Can view probabilistically.
  – Histogram is a set of samples from a probability distribution.
  – With many samples it approximates distribution.
  – Test probability samples drawn from same distribution. Ie., is difference greater than expected when two samples come from same distribution?

*Matlab*
Chi square distance between texton histograms

Chi-square

\[ \chi^2(h_i, h_j) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^{K} \frac{[h_i(m) - h_j(m)]^2}{h_i(m) + h_j(m)} \]

(Malik)
More Complex Discrimination

• Histogram comparison is very limiting
  – Every pixel is independent.
  – Everything happens at a tiny scale.

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• Use output of filters of different scales.
Example (Forsyth & Ponce)
Threshold squared, blurred responses, then categorize texture based on those two bits.
What are Right Filters?

• Multi-scale is good, since we don’t know right scale a priori.
• Easiest to compare assuming independence:
  Filter image one: \((F_1, F_2, \ldots)\)
  Filter image two: \((G_1, G_2, \ldots)\)
  \(S\) means image one and two have same texture.
  Approximate: \(P(F_1,G_1,F_2,G_2, \ldots | S)\)
  By \(P(F_1,G_1/S)\)*\(P(F_2,G_2/S)\)*…
What are Right Filters?

• The more independent the better.
  – In an image, output of one filter should be independent of others.
  – Because our comparison assumes independence.
  – Wavelets seem to be best.
Difference of Gaussian Filters
Spots and Oriented Bars
(Malik and Perona)
Gabor Filters

Gabor filters at different scales and spatial frequencies

Top row shows anti-symmetric (or odd) filters, bottom row the symmetric (or even) filters.

\[
\cos(k_x x + k_y y) \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)
\]
Matlab
Gabor filters are examples of Wavelets

• We know two bases for images:
  – Pixels are localized in space.
  – Fourier are localized in frequency.
• Wavelets are a little of both.
• Good for measuring frequency locally.
Synthesis with this Representation (Bergen and Heeger)

Figure 2: (Left) Input digitized sample texture: burled mappa wood. (Middle) Input noise. (Right) Output synthetic texture that matches the appearance of the digitized sample. Note that the synthesized texture is larger than the digitized sample; our approach allows generation of as much texture as desired. In addition, the synthetic textures tile seamlessly.
Figure 3: In each pair left image is original and right image is synthetic: stucco, iridescent ribbon, green marble, panda fur, slag stone, figured yew wood.
Bergen and Heeger failures

Figure 8: Examples of failures: wood grain and red coral.

Figure 9: More failures: hay and marble.
Markov Model

• Captures local dependencies.
  – Each pixel depends on neighborhood.
• Example, 1D first order model

\[
P(p_1, p_2, \ldots, p_n) = P(p_1) \cdot P(p_2|p_1) \cdot P(p_3|p_2, p_1) \cdot \ldots \\
= P(p_1) \cdot P(p_2|p_1) \cdot P(p_3|p_2) \cdot P(p_4|p_3) \cdot \ldots
\]
Markov model of Printed English

• From Shannon: “A mathematical theory of communication.”
• Think of text as a 1D texture
• Choose next letter at random, based on previous letters.
• Zero’th order:
  XFOML RXKHJFFJUJ ZLPWCFWKCYJ
  FFJEYVKCQSGHYD
  QPAAMKBZAACIBZIHJQD
• Zero’th order:
  XFOML RXKHJFFJUJ ZLPWCFWKCYJ
  FFJEYVKCQSGHYD
  QPAAMKBZAACIBZIHJQD

• First order:
  OCRO HLI RGWR NMIELWIS EU LL
  NBNESEBYA TH EEI ALHENHTTPA
  OOBTTVA NAH BRI
• First order:
OCRO HLI RGWR NMIELWIS EU LL NBNESEBYA TH EEI ALHENHTTPA OOBTTVA NAH BRI

• Second order
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• Zero’th order: XFOML RXKHJFFJUJ ZLPWCFWKCYJ FFJEYVKCQSGHYD QPAAMKBZAACIBZIHJQD
• First order: OCRO HLI RGWR NMIELWIS EU LL NBNESSEBYA TH EEI ALHENHTTPA OOBTTVA NAH BRI
• Second order ON IE ANTSOUTINYS ARE T INCTORE T BE S DEAMY ACHIN D ILONASIVE TUOCOOWE AT TEASONARE FUSO TIZIN ANDY TOBE SEACE CTISBE
• Third order: IN NO IST LAT WHEY CRATICT FROURE BIRS GROCID PONDENOME OF DEMONSTURES OF THE REPTAGIN IS REGOACTIONA OF CRE.
Markov models of words

- First order:
  REPRESENTING AND SPEEDILY IS AN GOOD APT OR COME CAN DIFFERENT NATURAL HERE HE THE A IN CAME THE TO OF TO EXPERT GRAY COME TO FURNISHES THE LINE MESSAGE HAD BE THESE.

- Second order:
  THE HEAD AND IN FRONTAL ATTACK ON AN ENGLISH WRITER THAT THE CHARACTER OF THIS POINT IS THEREFORE ANOTHER METHOD FOR THE LETTERS THAT THE TIME OF WHO EVER TOLD THE PROBLEM FOR AN UNEXPECTED.
Example 1\textsuperscript{st} Order Markov Model

• Each pixel is like neighbor to left + noise with some probability.

\textit{Matlab}

• These capture a much wider range of phenomena.
  – Think about two images with identical histograms created with \texttt{imresize}.
There are dependencies in Filter Outputs

- **Edge**
  - Filter responds at one scale, often does at other scales.
  - Filter responds at one orientation, often doesn’t at orthogonal orientation.

- **Synthesis using wavelets and Markov model for dependencies:**
  - DeBonet and Viola
  - Portilla and Simoncelli
We can do this without filters

- Each pixel depends on neighbors.
  1. As you synthesize, look at neighbors.
  2. Look for similar neighborhood in sample texture.
  3. Copy pixel from that neighborhood.
  4. Continue.
This is like copying, but not just repetition

Photo

Pattern Repeated
With Blocks

Input texture

Random placement of blocks

Neighboring blocks constrained by overlap

Minimal error boundary cut
Failures
(Chernobyl Harvest)
Conclusions

• Model texture as generated from random process.
• Discriminate by seeing whether statistics of two processes seem the same.
• Synthesize by generating image with same statistics.
To Think About

• 3D effects
  – Shape: Tiger’s appearance depends on its shape.
  – Lighting: Bark looks different with light angle

• Given pictures of many chairs, can we generate a new chair?