

Weakly supervised discriminative localization and classification: a joint learning process

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Motivation

Classification problems

- Glasses vs. no-glasses
- Cars vs. no-car
- Time series

Global vs. local statistics

Histograms of the whole images

Histograms of foreground segments

Traditional solution: classification based on subregions

Positive images Negative images

Classifier

Positive patches Negative patches

- Require ground truth manual selections:
 - Time consuming
 - Inconsistent
 - Non-optimal

Overview

Image categorization Time series classification

positive negative positive negative

Training a region-based SVM

Our method jointly Our method

Localizing discriminative regions

- Joint localization & classification
- Training requires class labels but **not** region selections

Proposed method

Multiple Instance Learning:

Image → Bag of 'regions'

d_i^+ At least one positive $\text{Bag}(d_i^+)$

d_i^- All negative $\text{Bag}(d_i^-)$

Positive bags negative bags

Localization-classification SVM: the formulation

$$\text{minimize}_{w,b} \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \max_{x \in \text{Bag}(d_i^+)} w^T \varphi(x) + b \geq 1 \quad \forall i$$

$$\max_{x \in \text{Bag}(d_i^-)} w^T \varphi(x) + b \leq -1 \quad \forall i$$

Optimization

- Two iterative loops
- Outer loop – coordinate descent: alternate between optimizing (w, b) and the instances of positive bags that maximize the SVM scores.
- Inner loop – constraint generation: add the most violated constraints into the constraint sets.
- Each iteration requires $\hat{x} = \text{argmax}_{x \in \text{Bag}(d)} w^T \varphi(x)$

Representation & Efficient Localization

$\varphi(x)$ = Histogram of visual words

$\text{Bag}(\text{Image}) = \text{all possible subwindows}$

Efficient search using branch-and-bound
Average 100ms/image (480*640 pixel)

$\text{Bag}(\text{Time Series}) = \left\{ \text{At most } k \text{ disjoint intervals} \right\}$

Efficient search using dynamic programming
Average 10ms/signal (15000 frames)

Maron-Rattan-ICML08, Yang-Lizano-Peres-ICDE00, Andrews-et-al-NIPS03, Chen-Wang-JMLR04

Experiments

Images – Localization results

Failure cases

Images – Quantitative results

Dataset	Measure	Bag of words	SVM with global statistics	SVM with human labels	Ours
Faces	Acc. (%)	80.11	82.97	86.79	90.0
	ROC Area	n/a	0.90	0.94	0.96
Cars	Acc. (%)	77.5	80.75	81.44	84.0
	ROC Area	n/a	0.86	0.88	0.90
Airplanes	Acc. (%)	89.74	96.05	89.40	96.05
	ROC Area	n/a	0.99	0.95	0.99
Cars	Acc. (%)	94.93	98.17	n/a	98.28
	ROC Area	n/a	1.00	n/a	1.00
Faces	Acc. (%)	59.83	88.70	86.78	89.57
	ROC Area	n/a	0.95	0.91	0.95
Motorbikes	Acc. (%)	76.80	88.99	84.67	87.81
	ROC Area	n/a	0.95	0.92	0.94

Caltech-4 datasets

Synthetic time series data

max # of disjoint intervals allowed

Using global statistics: ROC: 0.577, Acc: 66.5%

k	1	2	3 to 7	8	12	16	20
Acc. (%)	77.0	93.0	100	98.5	91.5	77.5	67.25
ROC Area	.843	.980	1.00	.998	.933	.793	.613

Mouse activity classification

Action	Dollár et al. [8]	1-NN	SVM	Ours
Drink	0.63	0.58	0.63	0.67
Eat	0.92	0.87	0.91	0.91
Explore	0.80	0.79	0.85	0.85
Groom	0.37	0.23	0.44	0.54
Sleep	0.88	0.95	0.99	0.99

F_1 score

Several Conclusions

- Human labels often are not optimal
- Tight bounding boxes often are not optimal; contextual information is important.
- Segmentation does not always help. Our method determines automatically the optimal support region for classification

Several Conclusions

- Segmentation does help.
- Multiple disjoint intervals are necessary.
- Classification performance is not too sensitive to the number of maximum disjoint intervals allowed.

$$F_1 = \frac{2 \times \text{Recall} \times \text{Precision}}{\text{Recall} + \text{Precision}}$$