

Ground truth energies for hierarchies of segmentations*

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Hierarchy of Partitions: Example



Input Image 25098 Berkeley Database











Saliency (Ultrametric contour Map (UCM)

Partitions in Hierarchy

Ground Truths



Hand drawn ground truth by multiple users/experts. No inclusion ordering is assumed here!

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Hierarchy, or pyramid, of partitions

- A hierarchy of partitions is a chain of increasing partitions of some finite set E.
 H = {π_i, 0 ≤ i ≤ n | i ≤ k ≤ n ⇒ π_i ≤ π_k},
- Example of ordered partial partitions



Cuts in a hierarchy

Horizontal cuts



Non horizontal cuts



Energy minimization on Hierarchies

To minimize on hierarchies, we need three things:

- 1. A *Hierarchy H* of partitions of E which partitions an input Image
- 2. A *function* f on E Which may be the input image or another (here it will be the distance function of G)
- 3. An *energy* ω on f, i.e. a non-negative function over all partial partitions (i.e. partitions of any subset S of E).

h-increasingness



 $\omega \left[\pi_1(\mathsf{S}) \right] \le \omega \left[\pi_2(\mathsf{S}) \right] \qquad \qquad \omega \left[\pi_1(\mathsf{S}) \cup \pi_0 \right] \le \omega \left[\pi_2(\mathsf{S}) \cup \pi_0 \right]$

- Theorem : When the energy is h-increasing and singular, then the optimal cut at node S is either:
 - S itself or
 - the union of the optimal cuts of the sons of S
- This gives a dynamic program which runs in linear time.

Hausdorff distance and associated problems

 $d_H(X,Y) = \max\left\{\sup_{x \in X} \inf_{y \in Y} d(x,y), \sup_{y \in Y} \inf_{x \in X} d(x,y)\right\}$

i.e. smallest disc dilation of X that contains Y and of X to contain Y



- Global Measure

- Large variations when object are asymmetric w.r.t each other

Local Hausdorff distances

- Local measures: Each class S in H is assigned 2 radii: ω_G , θ_G
- Both are h-increasing energies
- Local optimization to obtain a globally optimal solution



minimum radius of dilation of ground truth contour that covers the contour of S.



minimum radius of dilation of the contour of S to cover GT within S.

$\omega_{\rm G}~$ Energy at various levels of H



$\theta_{\rm G}$ Energy at various levels of H



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Optimal Cuts



Initial Image

14



GT2

 $\omega_{\rm GT2}$

 $\theta_{\rm GT2}$

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Initial Image



GT7

 $\theta_{\rm GT7}$



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Composition of ground truths:



The distance function of the union(sum) is the inf of the distance functions

Composition of ground truths:



GT5_1





GT5_2





GT5 = GT5_1 + GT5_2



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Global Precision-Recall Energies

The two half distances yield two local and then two global energies:

- Precision (P) : How close is on average the ground truth to the class (G->S)
- Recall (R) : How close is on average the Class contour to the Ground truth (S->G)

$$\widetilde{\omega}_{G}(S) = \frac{1}{\partial S} \int_{\partial S} g(x) dx$$

$$P = \sum_{i=0}^{1} \frac{i}{N} \frac{\int_{x \in \epsilon(S_i)} (1 - g(x)) \cdot S_i(x) dx}{|S_i|}$$

$$R = \sum_{i=0}^{1} \frac{i}{N} \frac{\int_{x \in G} (1 - g_{S_i}(x)) dx}{|G|}$$
Local dissimilarity measure
Counterpart Global similarity measures

Comparing Hierarchies (saliencies) with Precision-recall similarity measures









UCM

Cousty (floodings of watershed)

UCM random hierarchy Cousty random hierarchy











GT1

GT2

GT3

GT4

GT5



GT7 ²¹

Comparing Hierarchies (saliencies) with Precision-recall similarity measures

Image 25098	UCM	UCM random	Cousty	Cousty random
Precision energy	4.4	0.27	0.13	0.09
Recall energy	3.9	0.28	0.16	0.10

Integrals from PR equations expressed per 1000 pixels in the image

Conclusions

- h-increasing energies based on local Hausdorff distances
- Composition laws for fusing multiple ground truths
- Evaluating hierarchies against ground truth by global similarity measures

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• Avez vous des questions ?

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Region intersection-union based measures insensitive to topology 26

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Conditional Energies

 $\omega_G(\pi) = \omega_G(T_i \sqcup T_2 \ldots \sqcup T_k) = \inf\{\omega_G(T_i)\} + \lambda.$



 λ - parametrises the difference in energies between the

parent and child partial partition

 π - Partial partition

 T_i - one of the sons of π

 $\pi^* = \text{Optimal Cut if it arrives first OR} \quad |\pi| = Ncomps_{GT}$

Half Haussdorf distances

$$\widetilde{\omega}_G(S) = \frac{1}{\partial S} \int_{\partial S} g(x) dx$$
$$\widetilde{\theta}_G(S) = \frac{1}{G \cap S} \int_{G \cap S} g(x, \partial S) dx$$

Another variant consists in replacing the supremum that appears in the half haussdorf relation by a L^p (p=1) sum, which gives less importance to the farthest zones.

$$\widetilde{\theta}_G(S) = \frac{1}{G \cap S} \int_{G \cap S} g(x, \partial S) dx + \mu \frac{d}{dx} g(x, \partial S) dx$$



Overview

- Problem and motivation
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 - Class energy (radius)
 - Composition of energies
 - Conditional energies
 - Precision-Recall energies