## PATTERN RECOGNITION

# NAIVE BAYES CLASSIFIER FOR DAY AND NIGHT IMAGES WITH MATLAB

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#### a) Synopsis

Pattern recognition is a field of computer science, that classifies a pattern in categories called classes. This project is a basic naive Bayes classifier, which distinguishes images of day from night. By adding 40 images of day and night a plot is created, based on the mean brightness and the variance of brightness of each image. With that plot there will be a classification for each new image. In addition, it's always important to minimize the probability of error, by increasing the number of the images in database and the entry parameters. Last but not least, the risk assessment is the identification of the worst case of classification. This will help to avoid the most harmful consequences of a wrong classification.

Considering the above, the steps for implementing a pattern recognition project are:

- 1) Knowledge/data base implementation
- 2) Determination of measurable characteristics (parameters)
- 3) Definition of classes
- 4) Making decisions (including minimizing mistakes)
- 5) Risk assessment

The code is written on Matlab. In this project there is a collection of 20 photos of day and 20 of night. For each of these, the RGB (Red, Green, Blue) color model is transformed into HSV (Hue, Saturation, Value). At this point, it should be noted that each image consists of 3 layers/3 two-dimensional tables. In the RGB template, the 1st layer contains the numeric values of the red for an image, the second contains the green and the third one the blue. Correspondingly to the HSV model, the three levels of the panel are representing the image's hue, intensity and brightness values (the third level is called the "value", implying the brightness values).

In order to classify an image as day or night, the average brightness value of the HSV-formatted images is produced. With these values, Matlab plots the two-dimensional graph. This represents the distribution of the frequency (of occurrences) of an image by their mean brightness value. To put it simple, the plot describes the "how many times this image appeared" by a certain amount of brightness. Then conclusions are made about the separation in classes of day and night. With this way, when the algorithm will receive a new image, it will classify it to the appropriate class. Finally, the variance of brightness is added as a second parameter, in order to minimize the probability of error. Based on

these two features, a three-dimensional graph is drawn, which describes the distribution of frequency, by the mean brightness and by its variance.

#### b) Code analysis

Moving on to the analysis of the algorithm, it should be noted that the code consists of separated sections. The first part of the algorithm initializes the necessary vectors/tables, to assign the appropriate values from the images.

In the second part, a for loop from 1 to 20 starts, so that the 20 images are read by Matlab with the "imread" command. This command accepts a) the image address along with the initial letter of each image (d for day day, n for night and night), b) the number of repeat/loop and c) the file type of the images (they all are . jpg). That's because all photos have the same name construction (i.e. n1.jpg, n2.jpg, d17.jpg, etc.). After an image is read, the "rgb2hsv" command converts the color model from RGB to HSV. Then the values of the third layer of the image are taken, by adding the (:,:,3) after the hsv image's variable (hsv img). Those are the values of brightness. After that, the mean value is calculated and it gets stored to its matrix/vector. This is accomplished, by using each function into itself (nested). That is because each layer of the image is a two-dimensional array (lines and columns). Therefore, by using the function once, the result is for each column individually, creating a vertical array of numeric values. So the second use applies on both raw and columns. Finally, those values are stored into their matrixes/vectors. This part applies firstly on images of night and secondly of day.

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% Read the images files and take the necessary values
for i=1:20
   img_color = imread(['D:\day-night\n' num2str(i) '.jpg']);
   hsv_img = rgb2hsv(img_color);
   value = hsv_img(:,:,3);
   brightness=mean(mean(value));
   NightBr=[NightBr,brightness];
   Variance = var(var(value));
   NightVa=[NightVa,Variance];
end;
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The third part of the algorithm is optional and it rounds the tables that were just created. This is done by using the "round" function, where the first term is the table and the second the number of digits after subdivision - in this case 1.

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% That step is optional and it limits decimal points to 1
% (for example the number 5.65128 is being converted to 5.7)
round(NightVa,1);
round(NightBr,1);
round(DayVa,1);
round(DayBr,1);
```

The next section creates a two-dimensional plot. It displays a window with the "shape" command and adds a history of campaigns with daily brightness values through the "histfit" function. Then the same is done for the images of the night. Furthermore, the "grid" is used, in order to draw some lines and make the chart more "readable". With "xlim ([0 1])", the x axis is being displayed limited from 0 to 1. Last but not least, the "ylabel" and "xlabel" commands are giving a name on each axis. After the plot is completed, the history bars may be deleted, leaving only the distribution (the red lines) on the plot.

```
% Make the 2D chart of Brightness Vs Frequency of Occurrence
figure
histfit(DayBr)
grid on
hold all
histfit(NightBr)
xlim ([0 1])
ylabel 'Frequency of Occurrence'
xlabel 'Brightness'
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The fifth part reproduces the average brightness values per variance brightness, with commands similar to the previous ones. For each grid of the new drawing, the red 'x' symbols of it are counted. The number of red 'x' is the frequency of night images per grid. Then an excel file is created, containing 1) the average brightness (column 1), 2) its variance (column 2) and 3) the frequency of night images for each grid (column 3). This is the "NIGHT.csv" file. The same is done for the blue 'x' in each grid for the DAY.csv. This represents the day images values. Note here that the count of the x signs and the csv writing process are not implemented on Matlab, but manually.

```
% Make the 2D chart of Brightness Vs Variance
figure
plot(DayBr,DayVa,'x')
grid on
hold all
plot(NightBr,NightVa,'x')
grid on
hold all
xlabel 'Brightness mean'
ylabel 'Brightness variance'
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In the fifth section, the new excel file is read and the column's values are assigned to new variables/matrixes.

```
% Read the files that contains the Brightness per Variance values + the number of 'x' signs per grid

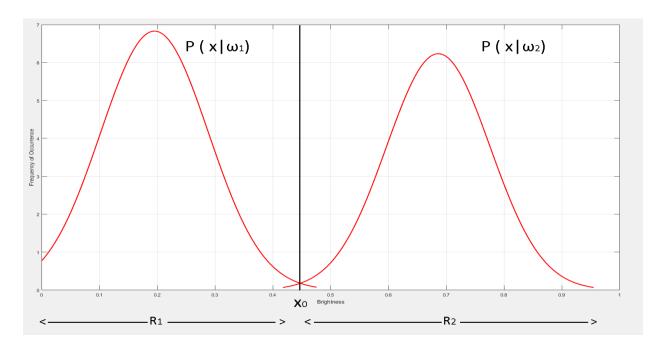
DAY = csvread('D:\day-night\DAY.csv');

NIGHT = csvread('D:\day-night\MIGHT.csv');
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Lastly, the three-dimensional diagram, which contains the average value of brightness per variance of brightness per the frequency of the images, is formed. This is implemented by the "load franke" command, where it loads the Franke bivariate function. After that, "fit" locates the appropriate data transparency in a linear fashion (accepts as the third parameter the "linear" font) and the plot draws the graph.

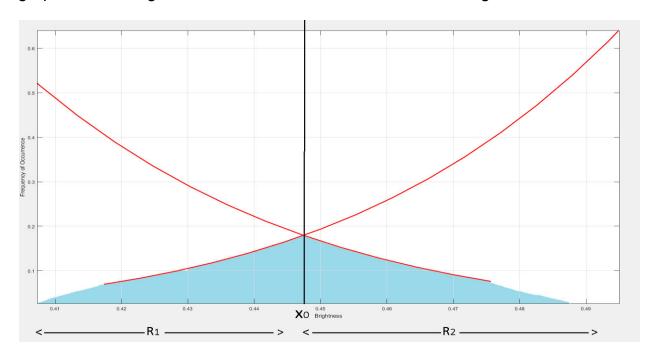
#### c) Explanation of the plots

The result of the first graph is two curves. The right-hand curve expresses the frequency of the average brightness for the day images and the left one for the night images. This is reasonable since the day images are obviously brighter than the night images. Usually in real problems there is no ideal outcome. Similarly to the present one there is no equivalence in the high of the curves. The fact that the right curve is a bit lower (in high) than the right, indicates the most common low brightness appearance in a picture. In other words, the average picture (both of day and night) is darker. If the database of images is changed, there might be the opposite result. Moreover, the result depends on the number of images. By adding more images (as long as the images are "good"), the results improves and obviously (but not surely) the curves decrease their deflection.



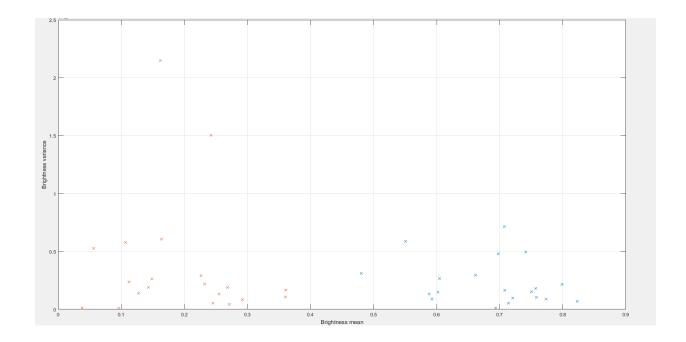
The vector x represents the average brightness. The black vertical line at x0 is a threshold, separating the chart in two regions R1 and R2, with their center at x0. As a rule on the Bayes classifier, when the x of an image belongs to R1, it will be classed as  $\omega$ 1. In our case, it will be considered as a night image. If it belongs to R2, it will be classified as a day image in  $\omega$ 2 class.

However, if it belongs to the region where the two curves collide, then the day or night class is undefined. This is the probability of an error. The following graph is an enlargement of the above, with additional coloring in the error area.

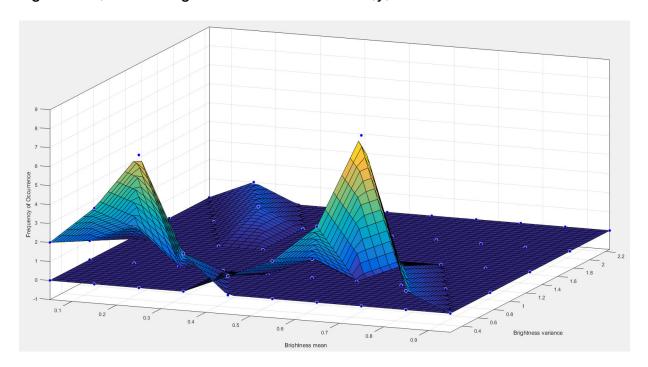


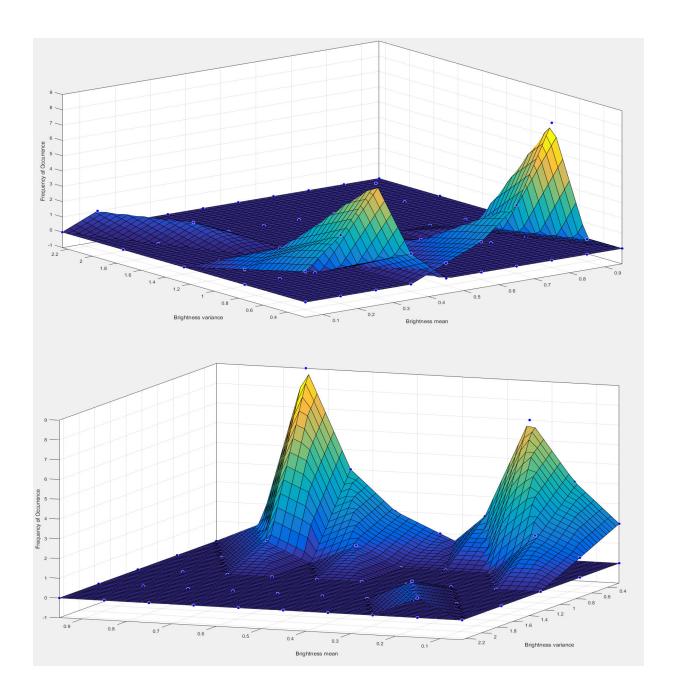
Note that the R, P (X |  $\omega$ ), X0 and threshold were not extracted from Matlab Instead they were designed in Photoshop

The previous 3D charts came by the plot below. It's the variance of brightness of an image per its mean brightness. This displays the number of day images as blue 'x' and the number of night images as red 'x' per grid. The grid separates the area 50 times, the same number of rows in each excel file. That's because there were counted 10 mean brightness values and 5 of its variance. The truth is that there are not many significant conclusions from this plot. It is just displayed because it was a part of the project.

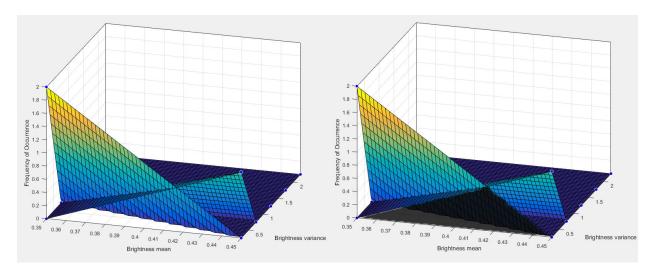


Subsequently, the three-dimensional layout is displayed on three different angles in the images below. Keep in mind that the x axis is the average brightness, y is its variance and z is the frequency of images. Therefore, the surface formed represents the probability of an image, belonging to the day or night class, correlating with the values of the x,y,z axis.





Remarkable is the blank area created at average brightness values from 0.35 to 0.45 (the right image shows this area shadier). This represents the new probability of error.



By comparing the error probabilities from the 2D and the 3D plot, it is concluded that if the probability of error was reduced by adding the new parameter (the brightness variance), then the new parameter is a good example for detecting day or night in a photo. However, if the 2D's plot area is less than the 3D's, this would mean that the variance of brightness is not a good example and that it shouldn't be used on classifying images of day and night.

#### d) Risk assessment

The last task of this project is to evaluate the risk. More specifically, in order to avoid the maximum possible damage, the probability or even better the area of error (from the plots) should be incorporated into the most harmful class. For instance, if a new image's variance = 0 and mean brightness = 0.45, that probably means that there is no clear classification (probability of error). In this case, considering the Night class as the most harmful class will also rank the image in the night class. However, if the day class is considered more damaging, the opposite will happen. Certainly, in the classification of day or night images, the point of the evaluation of risk is unclear. But in a tumor classifier, which distinguishes whether a patient has a benign or malignant tumor, every decision is critical. If the patient has a benign tumor (in reality) and the classifier categorizes the patient in the malignant class, there will be some financial charges for medicines and treatments and examinations. But there will,

certainly, not be any irreversible consequences. On the contrary, if there is actually a malignant tumor, but the algorithm classifies the tumor as benign, it may even lead to death, because there will be no proper care. Consequently, in order to avoid the second and most damaging case, the probability of error must match to the "malignant tumor" class.

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