

Looking Ahead

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Conventional Hyperspectral Applications

Hyperspectral Applications - Agriculture



Assessing plant health, monitoring (+ controlling?) light environment.

Hyperspectral Applications - Agriculture

SPECTRAL IMAGE ANALYSIS FOR MEASURING RIPENESS OF TOMATOES

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Wavelengths used: 396-736 nm

Hyperspectral
Camera
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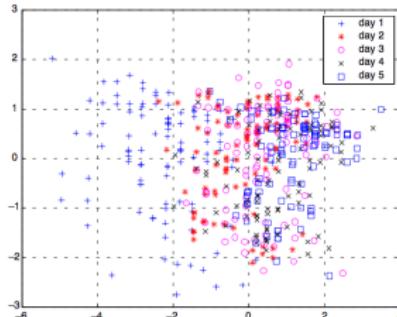


Figure 3. Scatter plot of the first and second canonical variables of the LDA analysis of the RGB images. Classes 1 to 5 represent the ripeness stages of tomato B during the five days after harvest, respectively.

Consumer Camera
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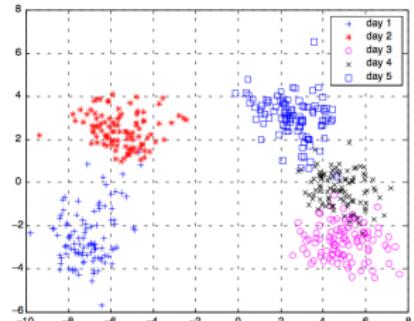


Figure 4. Scatter plot of the first and second canonical variables of the LDA analysis of the spectral images. Classes 1 to 5 represent the ripeness stages of tomato B during the five days after harvest, respectively.

Hyperspectral Applications - Art and Archaeology



Determining the nature of pigments and materials, finding under-paintings.

Hyperspectral Applications - Biology



MUSE
(Microscopy
with UV Surface
Enhancement)
image of colon

Determining the absorption patterns of dyes, notably including fluorescent proteins.

Hyperspectral Applications - Food



Inspecting food sanitation before being sent to the consumer.

Hyperspectral Applications - Forensics

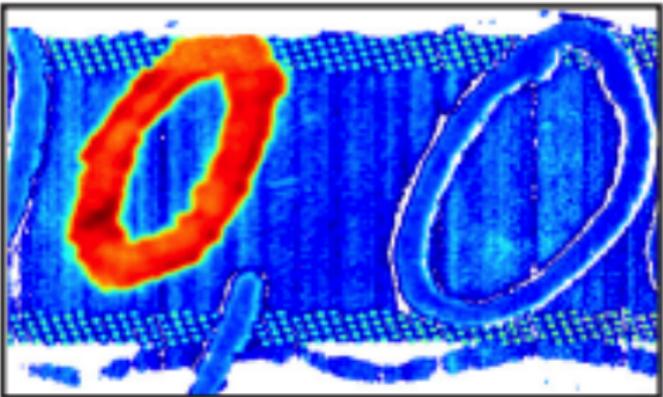


Photo and PCA processed VNIR hyperspectral image of an altered check, indicating very good discrimination of the zero added with a different ink

Finding faulty checks or other (bio) markers that could be used as evidence.

Hyperspectral Applications

- There are also opportunities for artistic creation and display.
- For example, how about movies showing:
 - Hyperspectral sunrises, sunsets and fireworks?
 - Hyperspectral rainbows (and multi-rainbows)?
- Or how about routinely experiencing the world - or an art museum, or virtual reality - in an enhanced way, through appropriate goggles, smartphone display, or illumination?

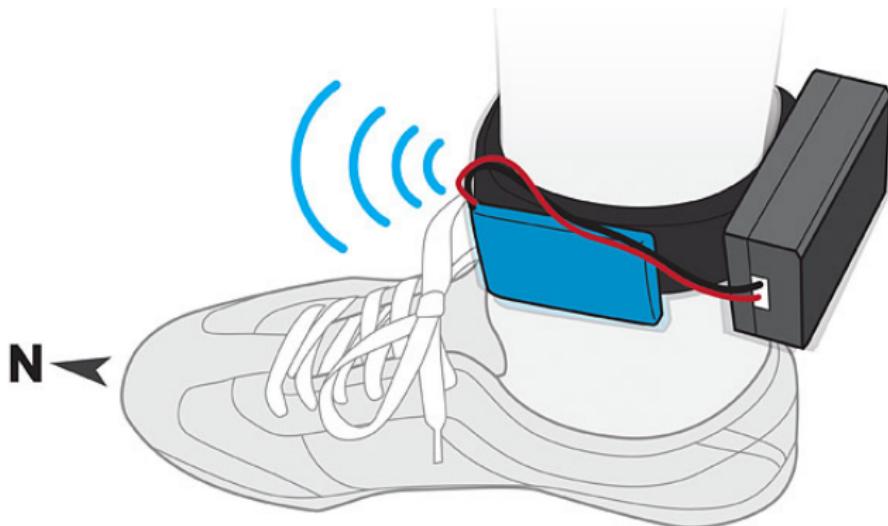
- "I can't escape the feeling that the best ideas are yet to come." - Frank Wilczek
- "Those ideas may/will come from YOU guys!" - Me :)

Other Encodings

- This course has mainly focused on vision and hearing, but there are many other ways of sensing the world.
- In your future explorations, for example in designing useful devices or understanding animal behavior, you might want to think about other sensory possibilities.
- For example ...

Other Encodings

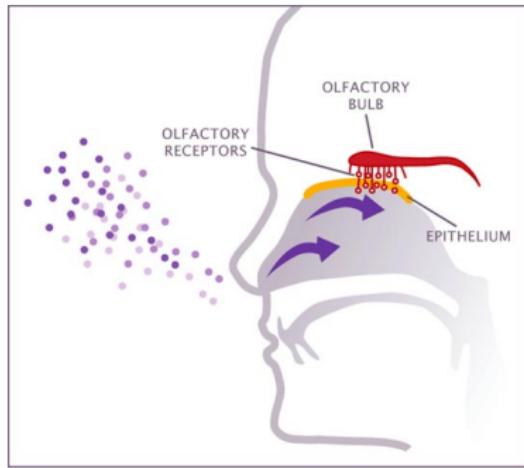
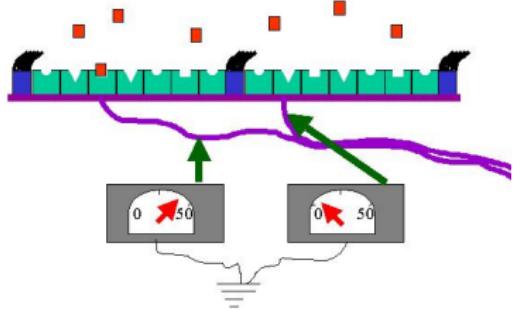
- The “North Paw” sensor vibrates when you’re facing north. (This device caught Frank’s imagination, and first got him thinking about enhanced perception ...)



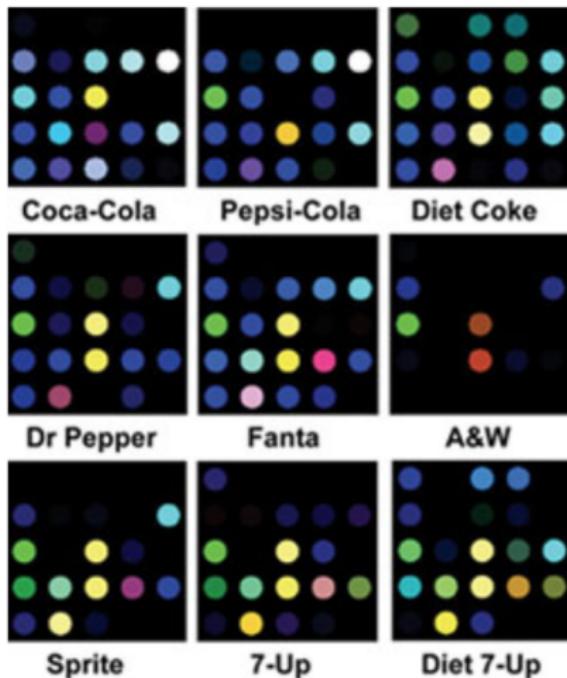
- People have also “restored” a weak form of vision to blind people in this way.

Other Encodings

- Smell and taste are chemical senses. Roughly speaking, their receptors key in on shapes of molecules.
- One can design digital chemical sensor arrays, with visual (or audible) output. There are many options for what is sensed, and how to display it.



Other Encodings



Outputs from an artificial chemical sensor array

Other Encodings

- This design accommodates a combinatorial explosion: with M locations, each allowing k colors, we have k^M possible patterns.
- With $k = 2$ (on/off) and $M = 24$, we have over 16 million possibilities.
- Note that patterns that have a lot in common represent things that have a lot in common, encouraging associative memory.

Other Encodings

- Other possible sensory modalities include: force-detectors and motion-detectors
 - Pressure and vibration detectors
 - Temperature detectors (including infrared vision)
 - Electric and magnetic field detectors
- Any of these might be built into remote sensors, or robots.



- Then an issue is how to present the information to humans, whose most capable portals are visual (especially) and aural.
- Our tricks can be helpful in that regard!

Summary and Conclusion

- There's a lot more "out there" than we ordinarily perceive.
- Modern technology is opening up important opportunities to perceive more, which can be fun, useful, and not necessarily expensive or impractical.
- We've tried to give you some tools to think intelligently - and creatively - about those opportunities.

Now go make the world a
better place!

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