MLRF Lecture 05

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Image classification overview

Lecture 05 part 02

Instance recognition vs Class recognition

Instance recognition:

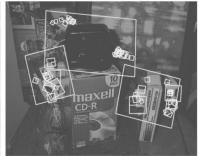
Re-recognize a known 2D or 3D rigid object, potentially being viewed from a novel viewpoint, against a cluttered background, and with partial occlusions.

Ex: practice session 3









Class recognition:

Recognize any instance of a particular general class such as "cat", "car", or "bicycle".

Aka category-level or generic object recognition.

More challenging.

This lecture and next practice session.





Toy frog

Our focus today (and for next practice session)

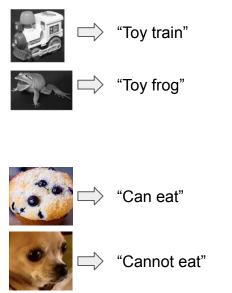
Image classification

Aka category-level recognition

Aka generic object recognition

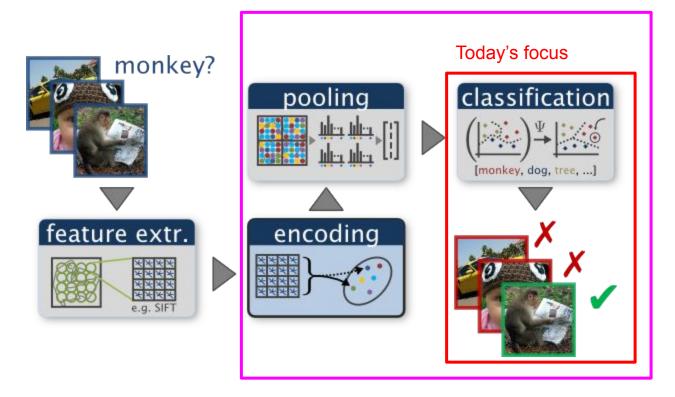
Aka category recognition

Aka "is this a muffin or a chihuahua"?



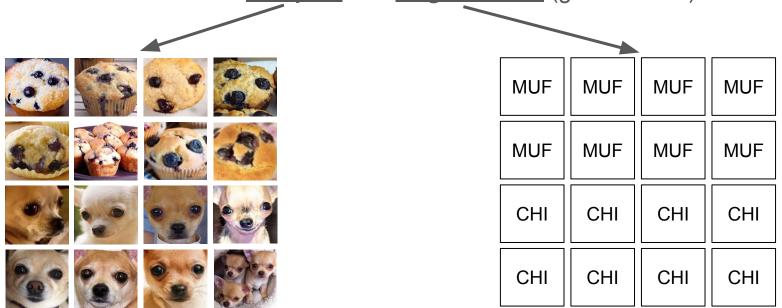
Pipeline overview

Focus of next practical session

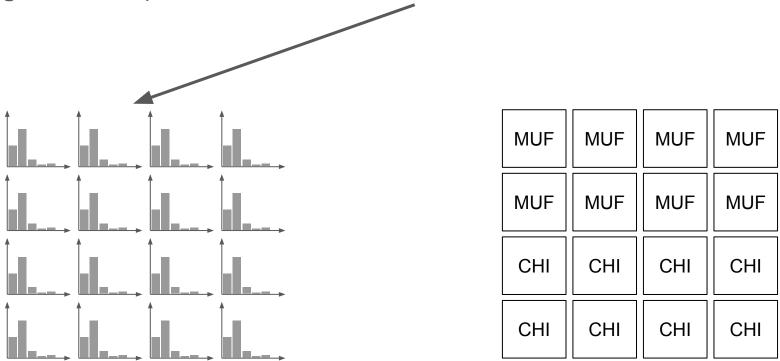


This is a **<u>supervised</u>** machine learning task.

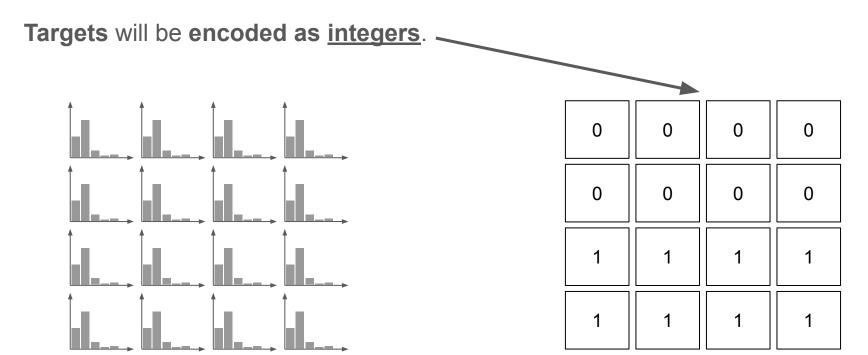
⇒ We need a dataset with **samples** and **target values** (ground truth)



Images will be represented as **BoVW vectors** of **fixed size**.

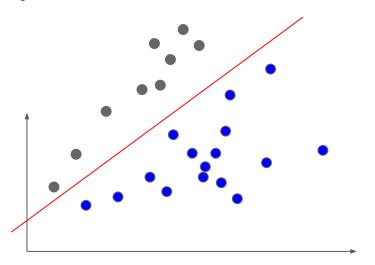


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This is a very usual data representation for a classification problem.

Classifier inputs = "samples" with "features" / Classifier outputs = "labels"



Now we just need to select an appropriate method, prepare our data, run some training, test the results, adjust some parameters, compare approaches, display results...

Data preparation

NumPy formatting

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} 1.6 \\ 2.7 \\ 4.4 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.2 \\ 5.6 \\ 6.7 \end{pmatrix}$$

one feature

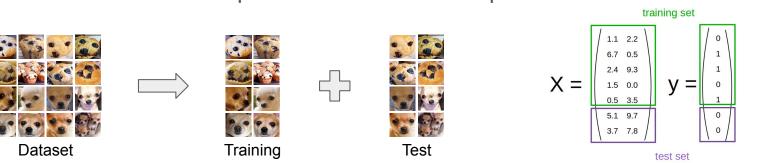
outputs / labels

Training/validation/test separation

More on that later in this lecture.

For now just remember that:

- You <u>cannot estimate</u> the <u>generalization performance</u> of your predictor/estimator/classifier on its <u>training set</u> (makes sense, right?)
- So you need to keep some samples aside for later evaluation Do not use them during training!
- "Validation" another separate set used to tune parameters



Other "funny" things to do IRL

Collect data

Clean data

Check data

Clean again

Annotate

Check

Compute / convert / scale features...

"Data curator" is a new job title.

Manual annotation drives crazy.

Many "data something" jobs.

Feature selection

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Consists in dropping some data columns.

Can help later stages:

- Less data to process
- Better properties (like decorrelated features, etc.)

Which columns?

- Hard problem in general
 - Because features may be informative as a group
- Some simpler and helpful techniques:
 - Remove features with low variance
 - Dimensionality reduction techniques are not exactly feature selection,
 but can have a similar effect