

# SIFT TEXTURE DESCRIPTION FOR UNDERSTANDING BREAST

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## Abstract

Texture is a powerful cue for describing structures that show a high degree of similarity in their image intensity patterns. This paper describes the use of Self-Invariant Feature Transform (SIFT), both as low-level and high-level descriptors, applied to differentiate the tissues present in breast US images. For the low-level texture descriptors case, SIFT descriptors are extracted from a regular grid. The high-level texture descriptor is build as a Bag-of-Features (BoF) of SIFT descriptors. Experimental results are provided showing the validity of the proposed approach for describing the tissues in breast US images.

## Problem definition

Background Chest wall Pectoral muscle Adipose tissue  
Air (or lungs) Rib Fibro-glandular tissue Skin

Fig. 1: Dataset sample. From left to right: image sample, accompanying multi-label Ground Truth (GT), tissue label GT color-coding.

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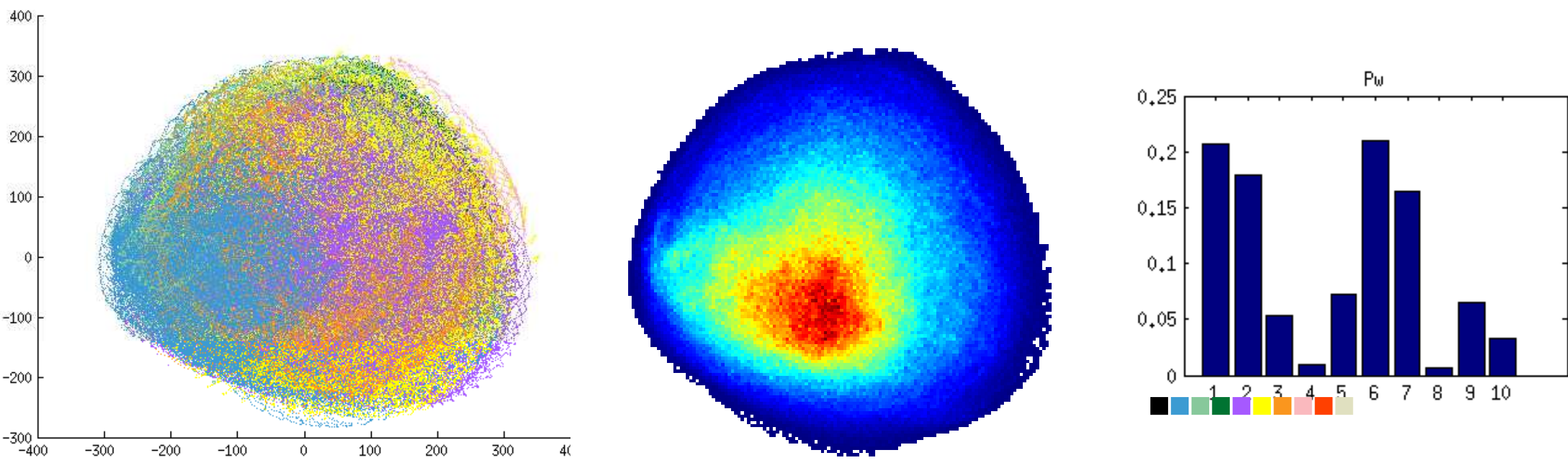


Fig. 2: SIFT space. (a) Projected space colored according to GT tissue labeling. (b)  $P(\bar{x}_a)$ . (c)  $P(\omega)$ .

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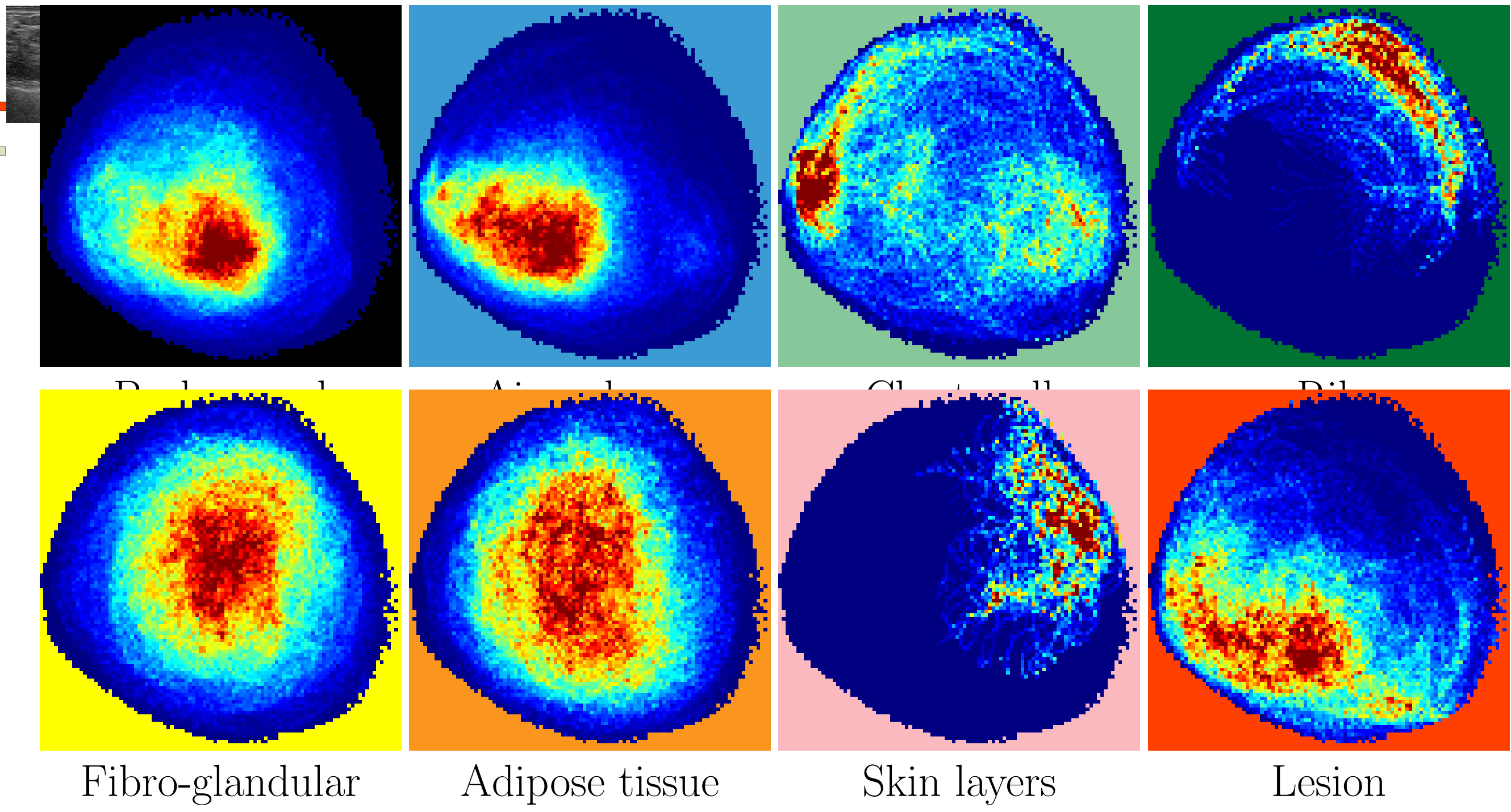


Fig. 3: Distribution of the SIFT descriptors for some classes in the GT.

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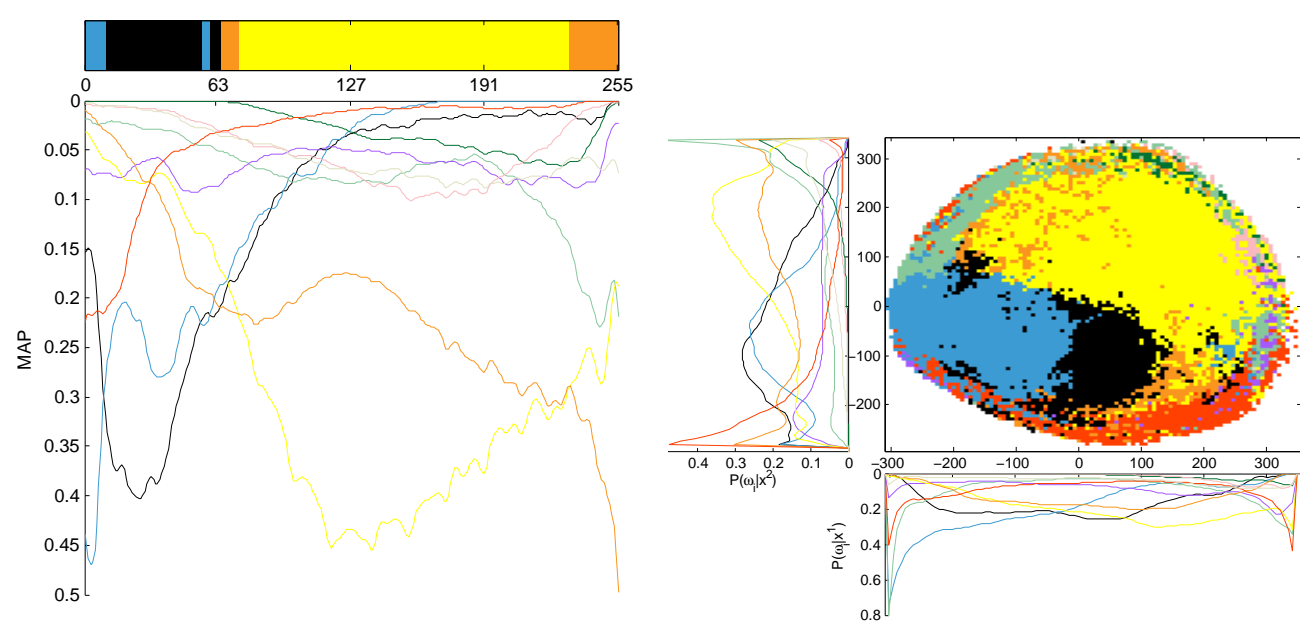


Fig. 4: Qualitative evaluation of the Maximum A Posteriori (MAP) labeling of the feature space.

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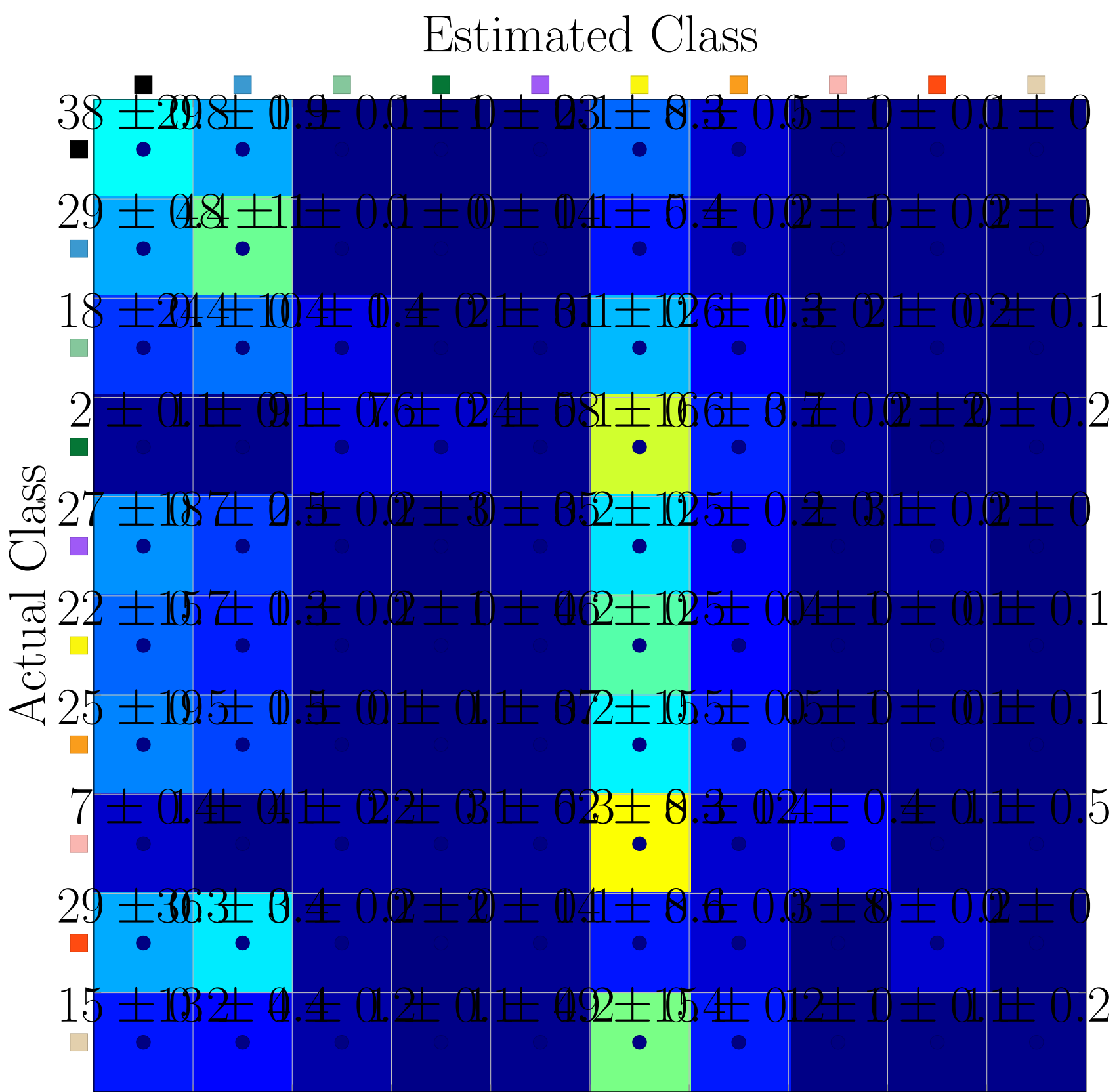


Fig. 5: some caption

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