

Binary Shape Clustering via Zernike Moments



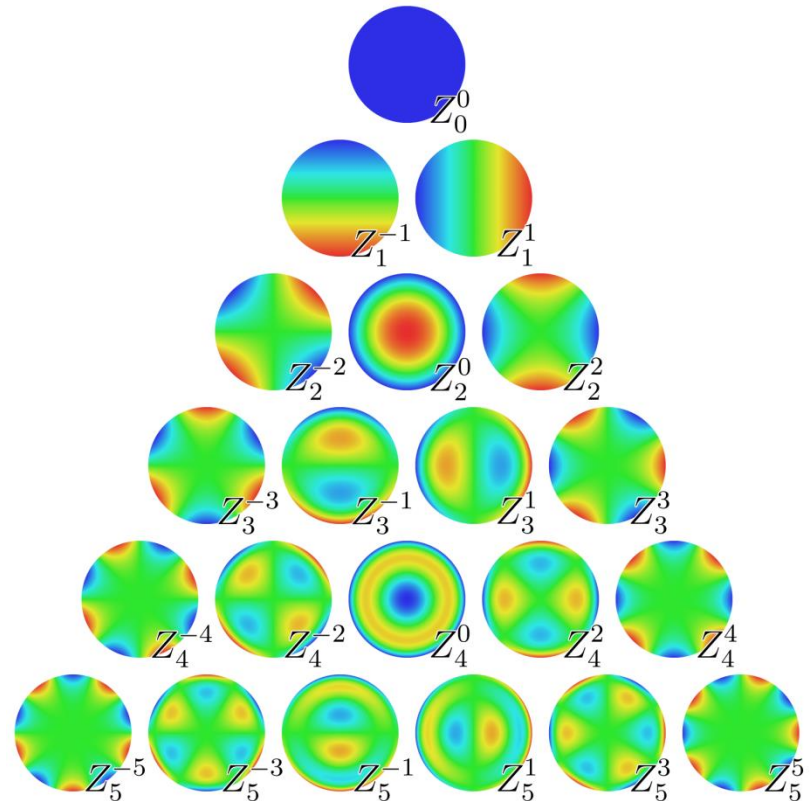
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Moments

- In general, moments describe numeric quantities at some distance from a reference point or axis.



Regular (Cartesian) Moments

- A regular moment has the form of projection of $f(x, y)$ onto the monomial $x^p y^q$

$$M_{pq} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^p y^q f(x, y) dx dy$$

Problems of Regular Moments

- The basis set $x^p y^q$ is not orthogonal \rightarrow
The moments contain redundant information.
- As $x^p y^q$ increases rapidly as order increases, high computational precision is needed.
- Image reconstruction is very difficult.

Benefits of Regular Moments

- Simple translational and scale invariant properties
- By preprocessing an image using the regular moments we can get an image to be translational and scale invariant before running Zernike moments

Orthogonal Functions

$$\int_a^b y_m(x)y_n(x)dx = 0 \ ; \ m \neq n$$

- A set of polynomials orthogonal with respect to integration are also orthogonal with respect to summation.

Orthogonal Moments

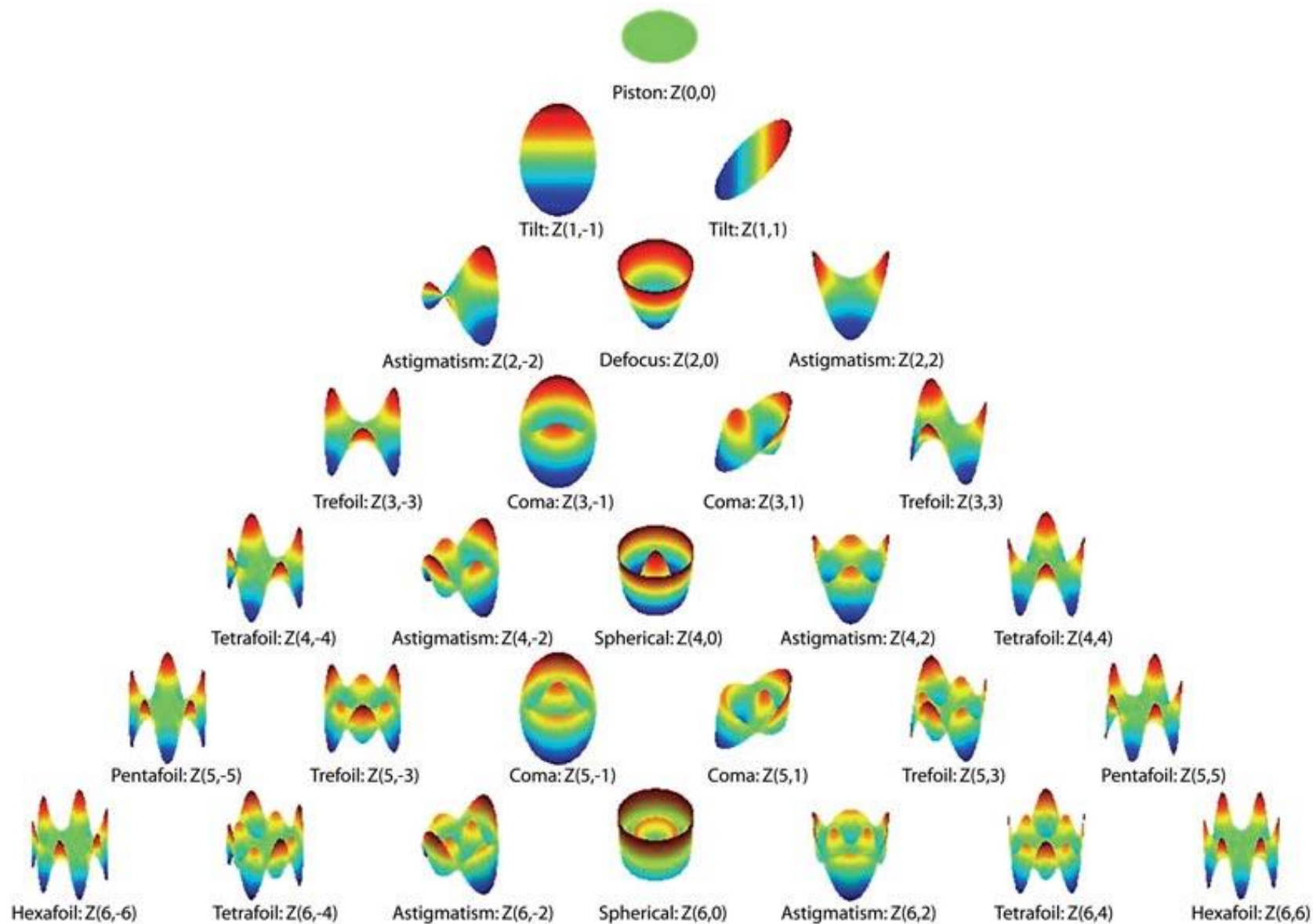
- Moments produced using orthogonal basis sets.
- Require lower computational precision to represent images to the same accuracy as regular moments.

Zernike Polynomials

- Set of orthogonal polynomials defined on the unit disk.

$$V_{nm}(\rho, \theta) = R_{nm}(\rho)e^{jm\theta}$$

$$R_n^m(\rho) = \begin{cases} \sum_{l=0}^{(n-m)/2} \frac{(-1)^l (n-l)!}{l! \left[\frac{1}{2}(n+m)-l\right]! \left[\frac{1}{2}(n-m)-l\right]!} \rho^{n-2l} & \text{for } n-m \text{ even} \\ 0 & \text{for } n-m \text{ odd.} \end{cases}$$



Zernike Moments

- Simply the projection of the image function onto these orthogonal basis functions.

$$A_{mn} = \frac{m+1}{\pi} \int_x \int_y f(x, y) [V_{mn}(x, y)]^* dx dy$$

where $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$

Advantages of Zernike Moments

- Simple rotation invariance
- Higher accuracy for detailed shapes
- Orthogonal
 - Less information redundancy
 - Much better at image reconstruction (vs. normal moments)

Scale and Translational Invariance

Scale: Multiply by
the scale factor
raised to a certain
power

$$m'_{pq} = \alpha^{1+p} \beta^{1+q} m_{pq}, \quad p \neq q$$

$$m'_{pq} = \alpha^{2+p+q} m_{pq}, \quad p = q$$

Translational: Shift image's
origin to centroid
(computed from normal
first order moments)

$$\bar{x} = \frac{m_{10}}{m_{00}}, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{m_{01}}{m_{00}}$$

Rotational Invariance



Fig. 2. The image of character A and five rotated versions of it. From left to right rotation angles are: 0° , 30° , 60° , 150° , 180° , and 300° .

The magnitude of each Zernike moment is invariant under rotation.

TABLE II
MAGNITUDES OF SOME OF THE ZERNIKE MOMENTS FOR ROTATED IMAGES SHOWN IN FIG. 2 AND THEIR CORRESPONDING STATISTICS

	$ A_{20} $	$ A_{22} $	$ A_{31} $	$ A_{33} $
0°	439.62	41.79	57.97	172.57
30°	436.70	40.20	63.82	171.96
60°	440.63	40.08	66.28	169.41
150°	438.53	41.55	65.47	170.83
180°	439.01	46.85	62.39	168.47
300°	438.43	39.19	65.77	170.84
μ	438.82	41.61	63.62	170.68
σ	1.32	2.74	3.12	1.53
$\sigma/\mu\%$	0.30	6.57	4.90	0.90

Image Reconstruction

- Orthogonality enables us to determine the individual contribution of each order moment.
- Simple addition of these individual contributions reconstructs the image.

$$\hat{f}(r, \theta) = \sum_{m=0}^{N_{max}} \sum_n A_{mn} V_{mn}(r, \theta)$$

Image Reconstruction

Reconstruction
of a crane shape
via Zernike
moments up to
order $10k-5$,
 $k = \{1,2,3,4,5\}$.



(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)



(e)



(f)

Determining Min. Order

After reconstructing image up to moment i

1. Calculate the Hamming distance, $H(\hat{f}_i, f)$ which is the number of pixels that are different between \hat{f}_i and f
2. Since, in general, $H(\hat{f}_i, f)$ decreases as i increases, finding the first i for which $H(\hat{f}_i, f) < \epsilon$ will determine the minimum order to reach a predetermined accuracy.

Experimentation & Results

- 40th order moments on 22 binary 128 x 128 images of 7 different leaf types.
- Clustering was done by K-means, with the farthest-first approach for seeding original means.

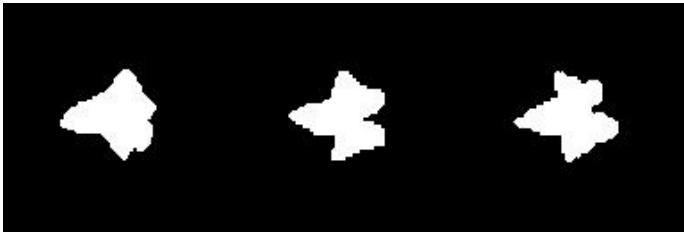
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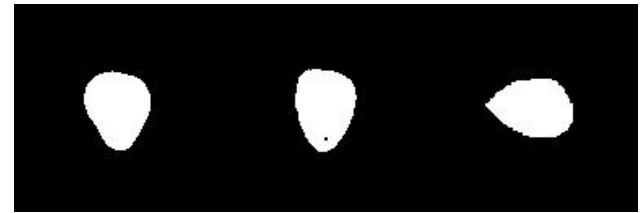
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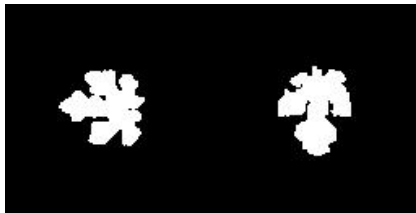
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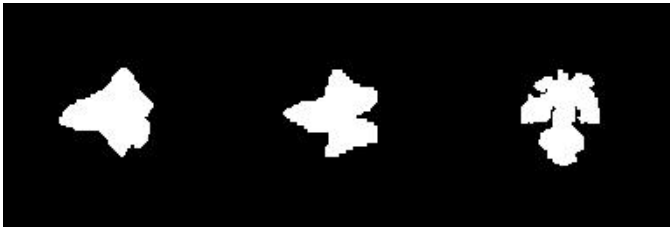
The Zernike Clusters



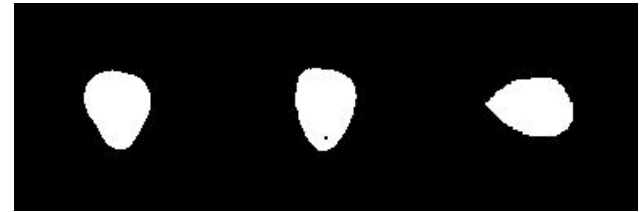
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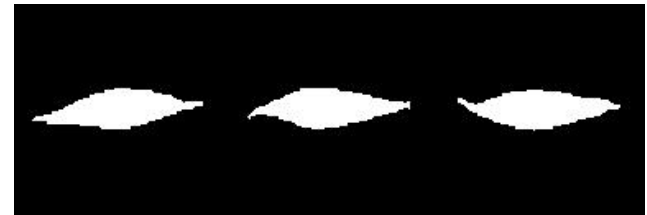
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Conclusion

- Zernike moments have rotational invariance, and can be made scale and translational invariant, making them suitable for many applications.
- Zernike moments are accurate descriptors even with relatively few data points.
- Reconstruction of Zernike moments can be used to determine the amount of moments necessary to make an accurate descriptor.

Future Research

- Better seeding algorithm for K-means/
different clustering algorithm
- Apply Zernike's to supervised classification
problem
- Make hybrid descriptor which combines
Zernike's and contour curvature to capture
shape and boundary information