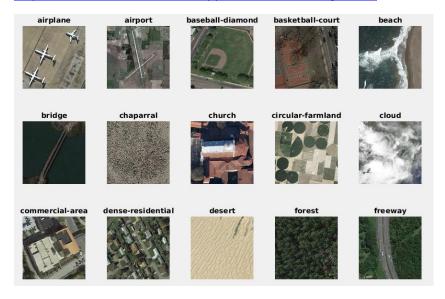
[1] Compute Histogram for image recognition (50pts)

Data set: the NWPU aerial data set contains approximately 45 categories of 700 images for each category in 256x256 RGB format. The data set can be downloaded from:

https://umkc.box.com/s/fxvzh5qq2tiob6eklfxfwn89kg3e1io1



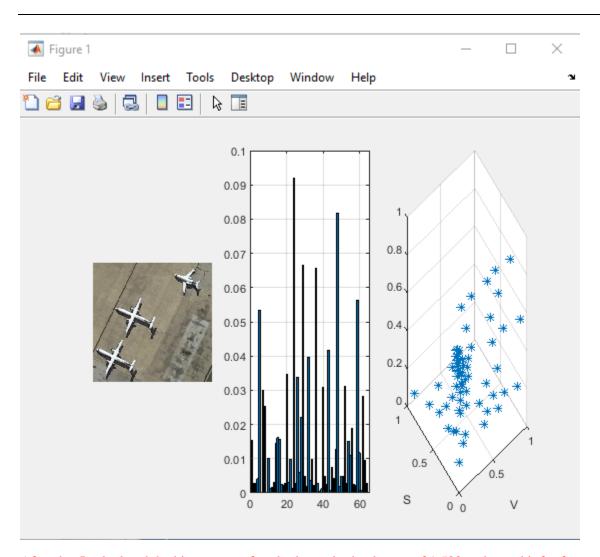
For HW-1, let us just take the first 15 classes (shown above) from the full data set, and 100 images per class and form a data set of 1500 images with 15 labels. Objectives are,

a) compute a HSV kmeans model with total number of entry K=64, b) for each image compute a color histogram, c) use Euclidean, and KL Distances to measure the similarity between two images, i.e, have a matlab/python function,[d]=getHSVDistance(im1, im2, t); where t is the table from Kmeans. d) randomly select 400 images from the data set, and compute its 1-NN label prediction from histogram distance and plot its confusion map.

In this question, I had to perform several computations. First I had to create a function to compute HSV kmeans that was consequently used to calculate histograms.

I computed a histogram for 1 picture to demonstrate the diagrams of histograms and centroid. The following is the screenshot of the diagrams:

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After that I calculated the histograms of each picture in the dataset of 1,500 and saved it for future utilization. After these two parts were completed, I consulted with the professor about finding a distance. I received a permission to use fitcknn which creates a model with the following properties:

ClassificationKNN

ResponseName: 'Y'
CategoricalPredictors: []

ClassNames: {1×15 cell}

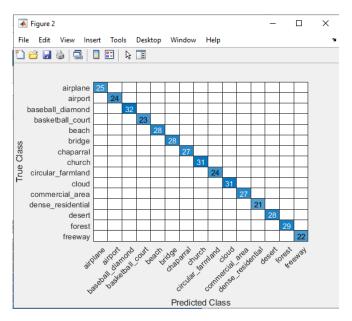
ScoreTransform: 'none' NumObservations: 400

Distance: 'euclidean'

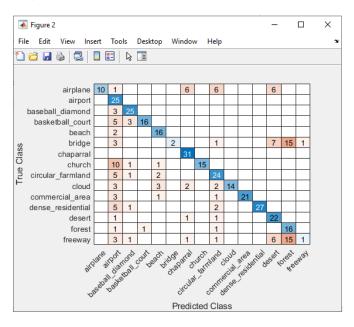
NumNeighbors: 1

As we can see, the fitchn is using Euclidean distance by default in calculating KNN which was one of the requirements. Below you will find the confusion charts for k=1(required in the assignment), k=2, k=5, k=10. The reason I use confusion chart instead of confusion matrix as it looks better.

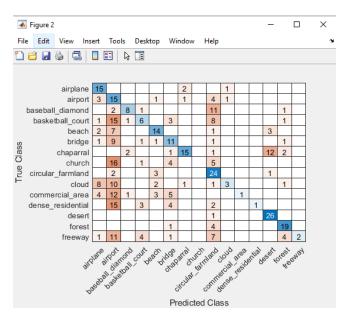
K1:



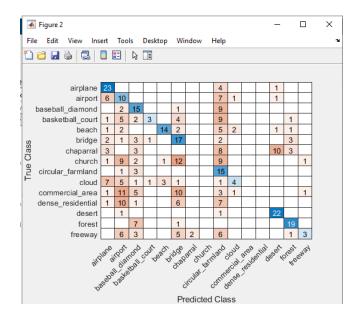
K2:



K5:

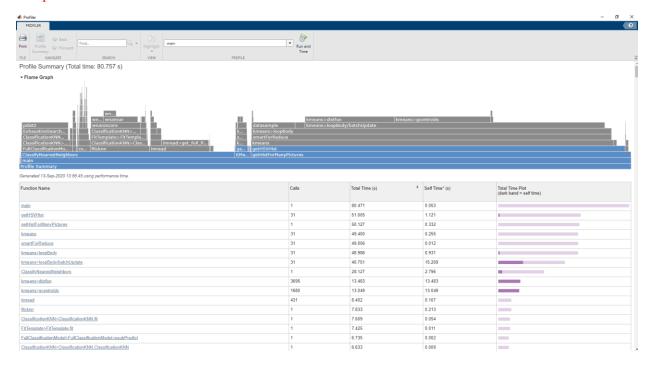


K10:

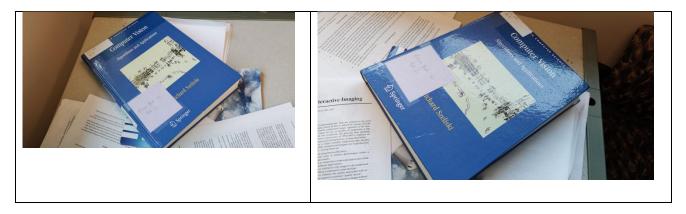


To get the random images, I used "randperm" which got me 400 of unique indexes out of 1,500 images. I stored both classes and those images at the same index, which let me use them with knnclassifier as they had the same first dimension size(400). In fact, the classes were represented by a vector, while images were represented by 2 dimension matrix.

This was the first time I worked with Matlab on perform image data analytics. I was pleasantly surprised with the features this software provides. For example, it has a really nice "Profiler" which can be used to analyze how fast each function runs, and is very useful to find bottlenecks. For example, I figured out that I need to preallocate few data matrices with empty values just so the matlab does not have to change the size each time which is expansive. I did that on almost every matrix and cut the execution time by a lot. The profiler screenshot is below:



[2] Homograph estimation: use the SVD to solve the over-fitting Ah=0 as covered in class. Use the sample code as template: http://www.vlfeat.org/applications/sift-mosaic-code.html , compute homograph for the following two images:



First compute SIFT and SIFT matches, then select good matches to solve homography.

To solve homography, we try to map every point of the first image to every point of the other image with transformation of homography. I did use vlfeat and the example provided in the question. I first computed the SIFT points for image 1 and image 2. Then I find matching points out of those SIFT points. Then I calculate the homography matrix. The following is the matrix I received:

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VLFeat version 0.9.20

Static config: X64, little_endian, Microsoft Visual C++ 1600 LP64, Windows_threads, SSE2, OpenMP

16 CPU(s): GenuineIntel MMX SSE SSE2 SSE3 SSE41 SSE42 AVX

OpenMP: max threads: 16 (library: 16)

Debug: no

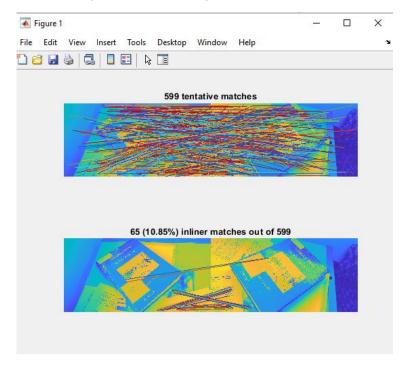
SIMD enabled: yes

ans =

1.0e+03 *

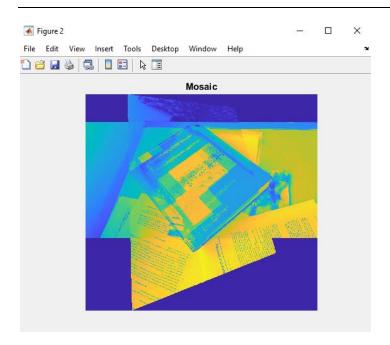
-0.0004 -0.0009 1.4631
0.0007 -0.0000 -0.2239
-0.0000 0.0000 0.0010
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The following are the matches I got:



And the Mosaic solution:

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The second part of the assignment was not very hard as I received an example code. However, I learned how easy it is to compute homography and find SIFT points using VLFeat package in matlab.