

## **Machine Learning for Computer Vision**

### **Coursework on face recognition by PCA [25% mark]**



**Release on 25 Jan, the report due on 14 Mar (midnight)**

The course work requires Matlab programming. Use the provided face data.

#### **Submission instructions:**

One joint report by each pair

Page limit: 4-6 A4 pages per report with 10 font size (use the IEEE standard double column paper format, either in MS word or latex).

[http://www.pamitc.org/cvpr16/files/egpaper\\_for\\_review.pdf](http://www.pamitc.org/cvpr16/files/egpaper_for_review.pdf)

<http://www.pamitc.org/cvpr16/files/cvpr2016AuthorKit.zip>

Give insights, discussions, and reasons behind your answers, on the scope of lectures. Quality and completeness of discussions within the page limit will be marked.

Source code is not mandatory: optionally, this can go to appendix, which does not count for the page limit.

Submit the report **in pdf** through the Blackboard system. No hard copy is needed. Write your full names and CID numbers on the first page.

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**Q1. [20]** Partition the provided data into your training and testing data, in a way you choose. Explain briefly the way you partitioned. Apply PCA to your training data, by computing the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of the data covariance matrix  $S=(1/N)AA^T$  directly. Show and discuss the results, including: show the eigenvectors, the eigenvalues, and the mean image, how

many eigenvectors with non-zero eigenvalues are obtained and how many eigenvectors are to be used for face recognition. Give insights and reasons behind your answers.

**Q2. [20]** Apply PCA to your training data, using the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of  $(1/N)A^T A$ . Show and discuss the results (similar to Q1). Compare the methods and results in Q1 and Q2, including: if the eigenvectors and eigenvalues obtained are identical, what are the pros/cons of each method. Show the respective measurements for your answers.

Hereinafter, we use a more efficient PCA technique among the methods discussed in Q1 and Q2.

**Q3. [20]** Perform the face image reconstruction using the PCA bases learnt. Show and discuss the results, while varying the number of bases to use, including: if the reconstruction error (or the distortion measure) obtained is same as in the theory, how good the reconstruction results are for at least 3 images of your choice (e.g. from both the training and testing dataset).

**Q4. [40]** Perform the PCA-based face recognition with your training and testing dataset above. Try both NN classification method and alternative method learnt in the lecture. Report and discuss, including: the recognition accuracy (success rates), example success and failure cases, the confusion matrices, comparison of the two methods in terms of accuracy/time/memory (and any other aspects you observe), by varying the parameter values/experimental settings you used. Give insights and reasons behind your answers.