

Sparsity-based Face Recognition using Discriminative Graphical Models

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- ➋ Locally adaptive sparse representations
- ➌ Probabilistic graphical models: Review
- ➍ Contribution: Robust face recognition via discriminative graphical models
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Sample result

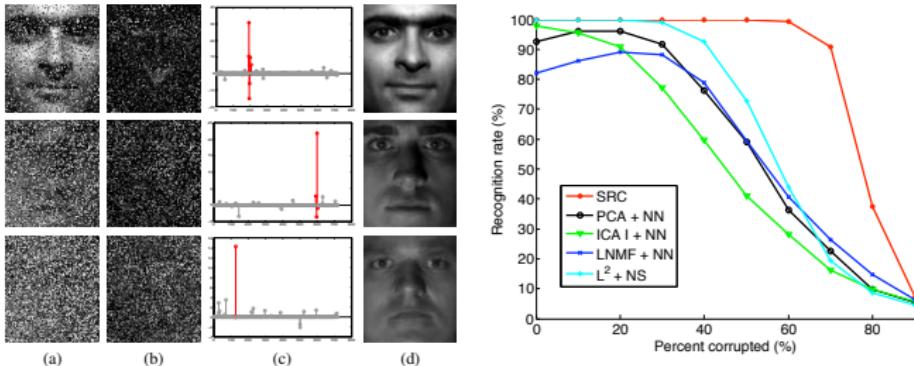


Figure: Left: Varying amounts of random pixel corruption. Right: Recognition rate variation with corruption.

Drawbacks and challenges

- ① Accurate registration of training and test images necessary
 - Misalignment: translation, rotation, scale; pose and illumination variation; occlusion
 - Computational cost and feasibility in practical recognition systems
- ② Class decision using reconstruction residuals
 - Does not capture inter-class variation
 - Sparse representations inherently discriminative.

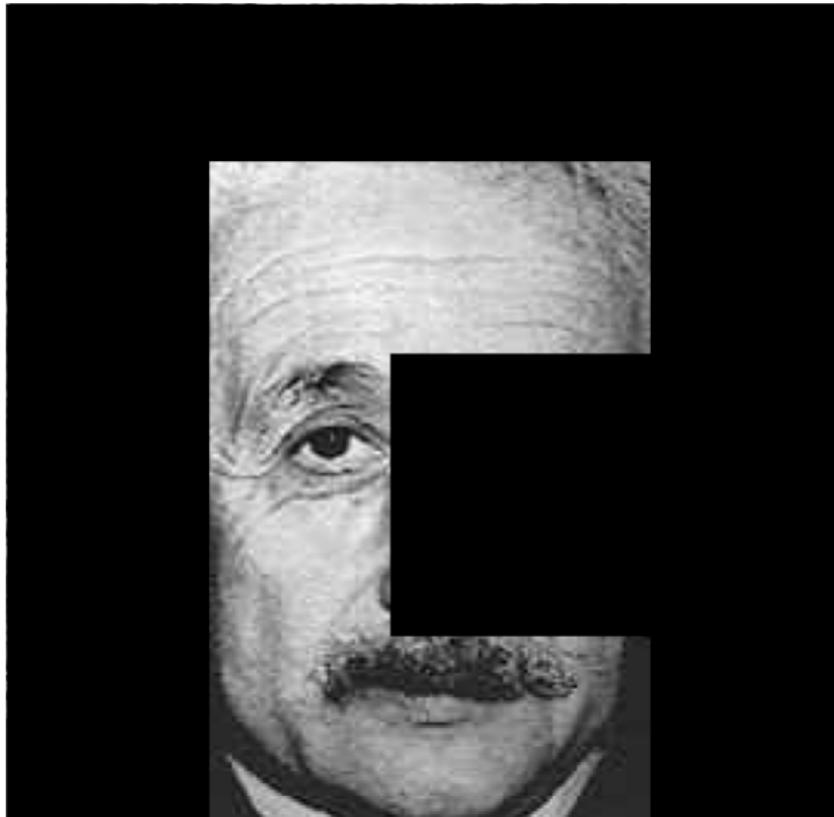
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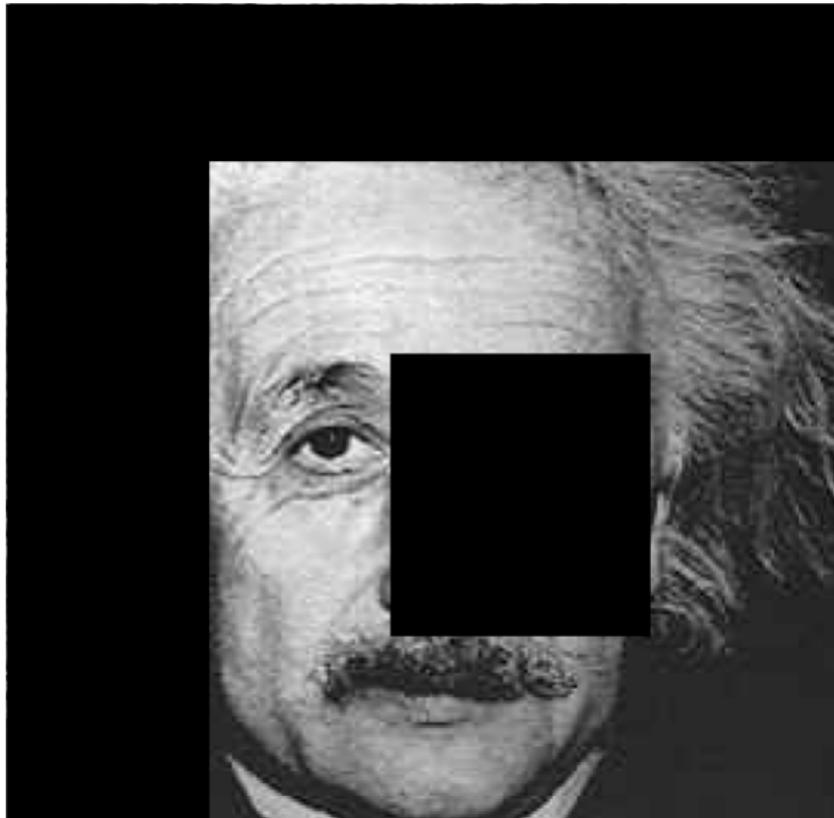
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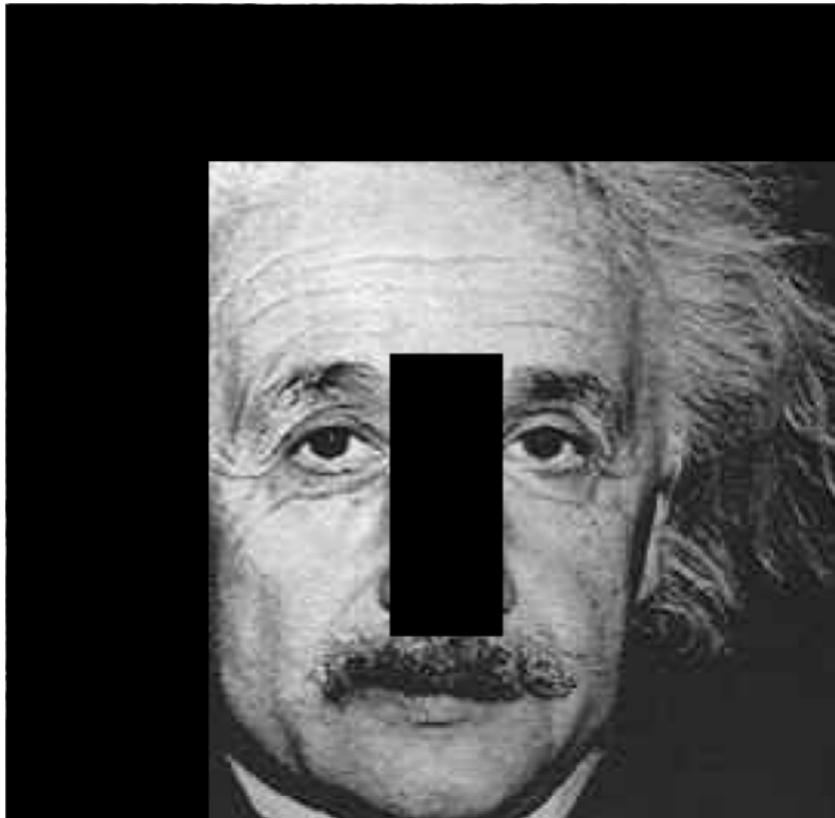
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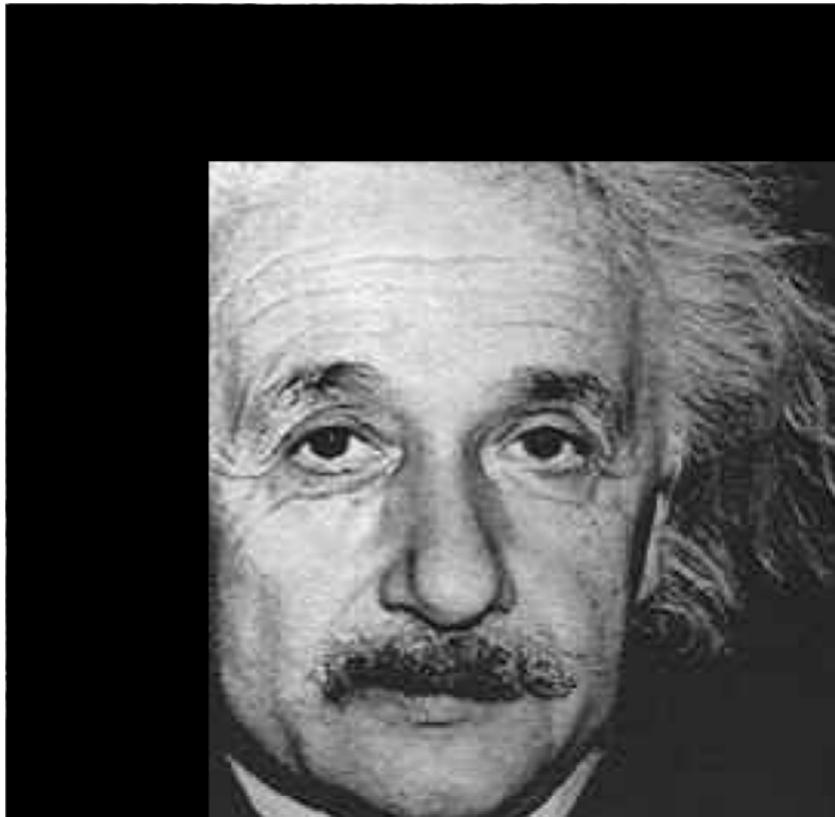
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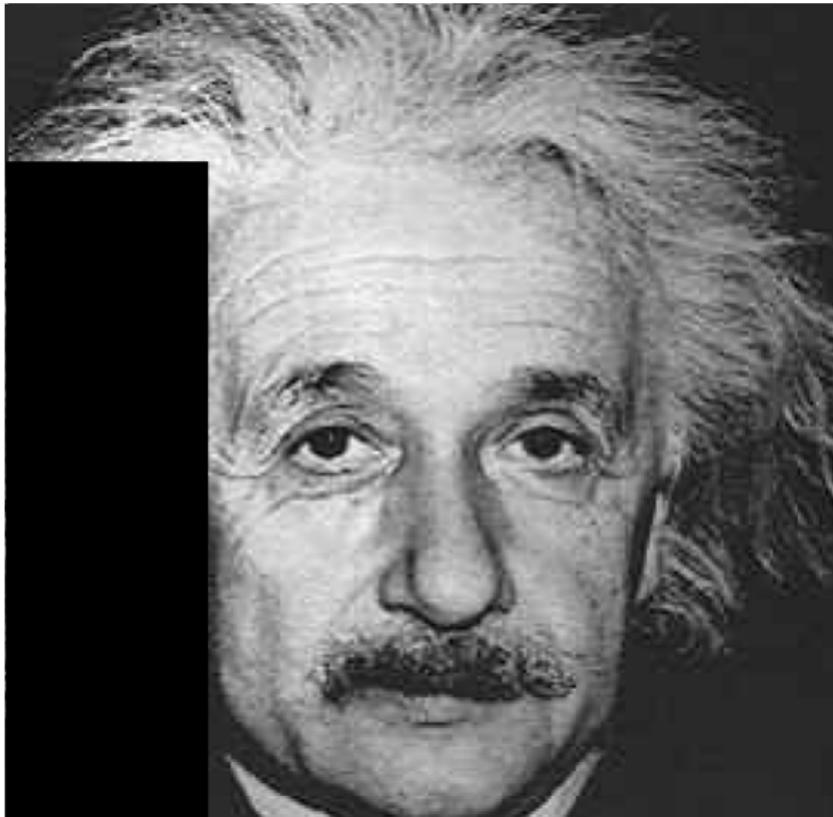
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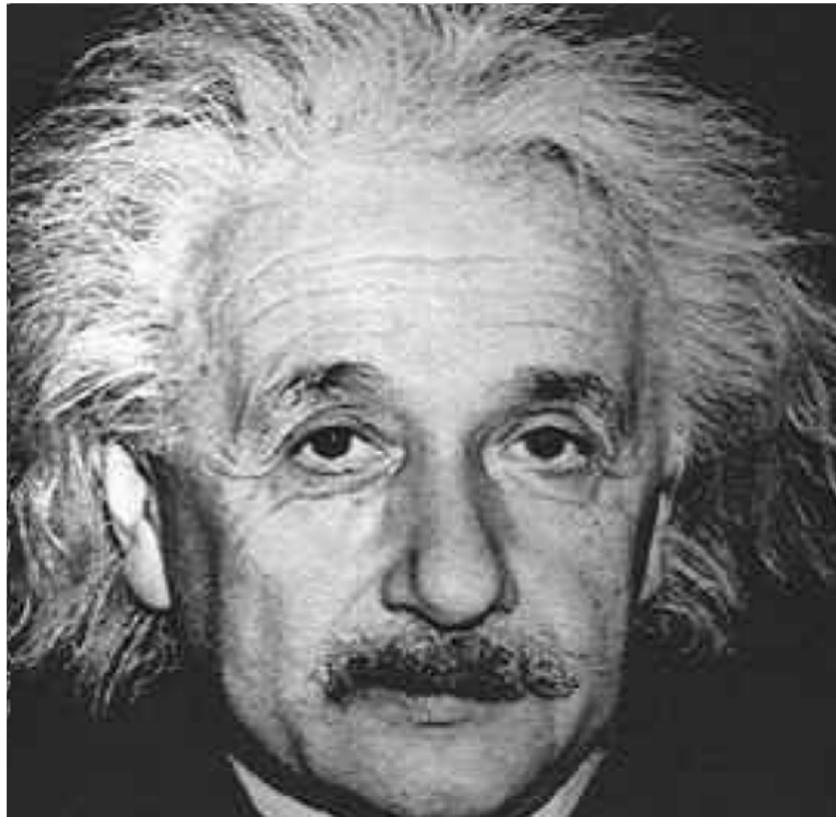
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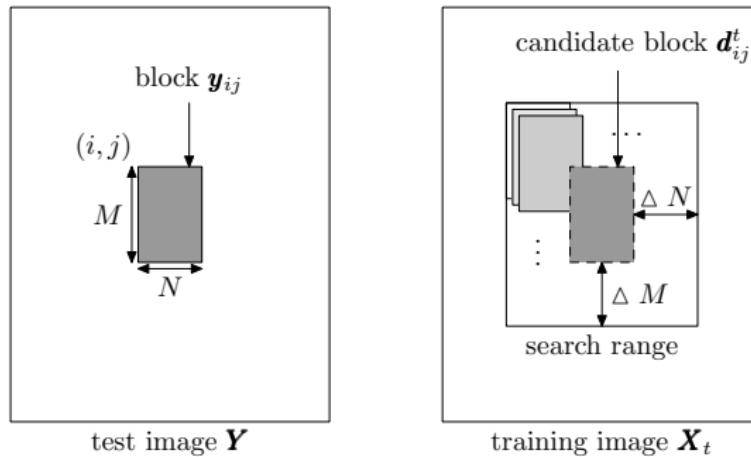
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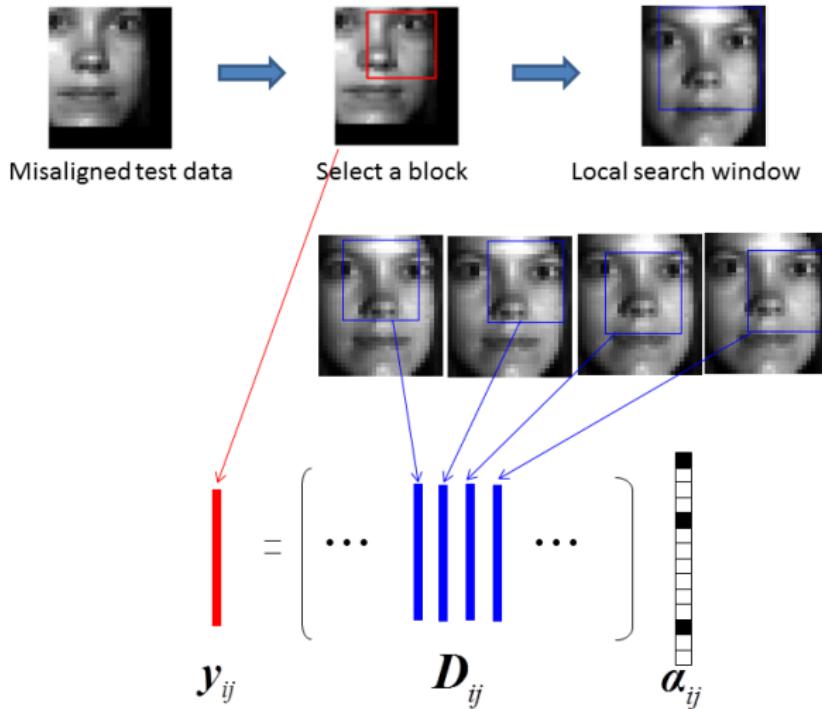
Local sparsity model for robust face recognition⁶



- Inspired by block-based motion estimation
- Block-sparsity model using **locally adaptive** dictionary \mathcal{D}_{ij}
- No explicit estimation of registration parameters.

⁶Chen et al., IEEE ICIP 2010

How to build the dictionary?



Block sparsity for face recognition

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Probabilistic graphical models: A brief review

- **Graph** $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$ defined by a set of nodes $\mathcal{V} = \{1, \dots, n\}$, and a set of edges $\mathcal{E} \subset \binom{\mathcal{V}}{2}$.
- **Graphical model:** Random vector defined on a graph; nodes represent random variables, edges reveal conditional dependencies.
- Graph structure defines factorization of joint probability distribution

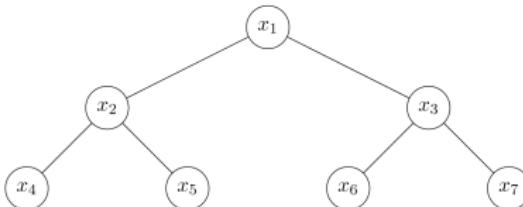


Figure: Tree - connected acyclic graph.

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = f(x_1)f(x_2|x_1)f(x_3|x_1)f(x_4|x_2)f(x_5|x_2)f(x_6|x_3)f(x_7|x_3).$$

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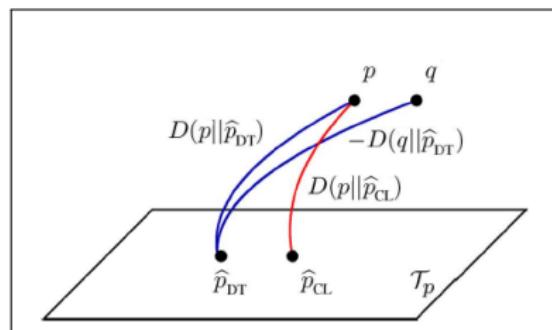
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(Figure courtesy Tan et al.)

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Discriminative graphical models for classification⁹

Two-stage framework:

- ➊ Acquire multiple signal representations, which are **conditionally correlated** per class
- ➋ Mine dependencies between different features via boosting on discriminative graphs.

⁹Srinivas et al., IEEE ICIP, Sep. 2011

Contribution: Robust face recognition using discriminative graphical models

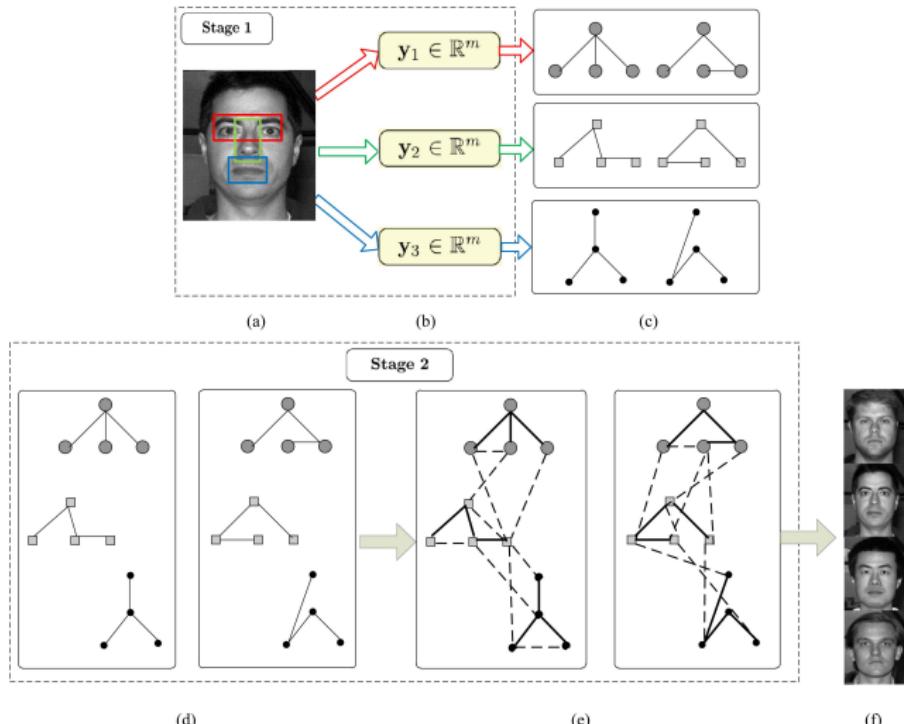
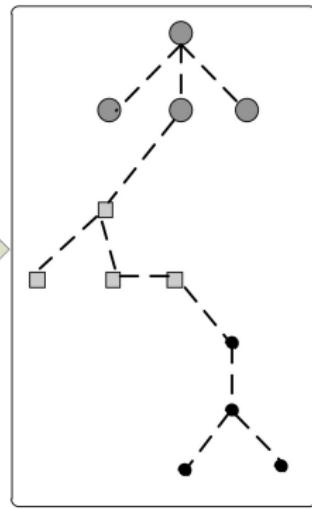
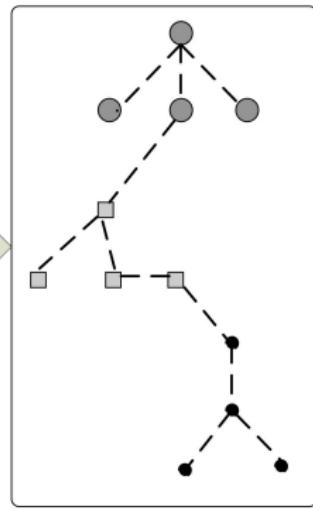
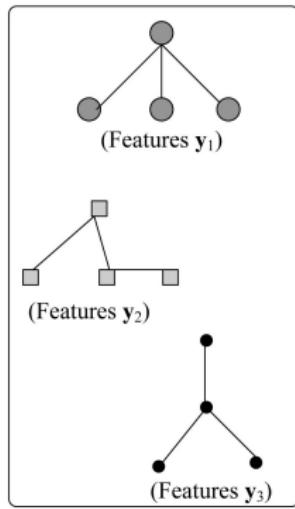


Figure: Learning graphs on sparse features.

Learning discriminative graphs: An illustration¹⁰

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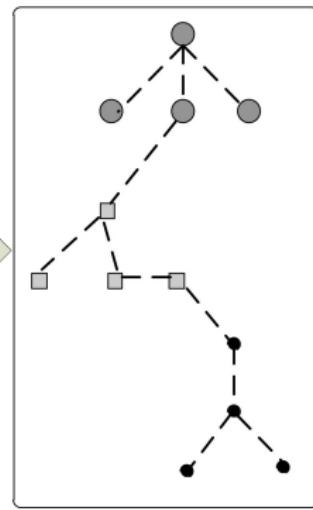
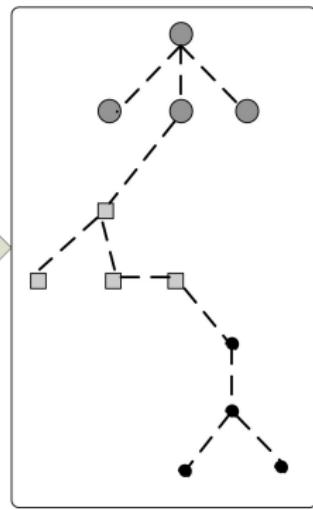
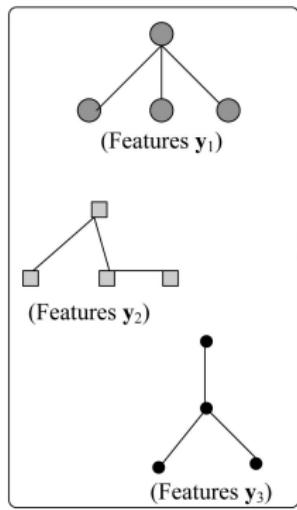


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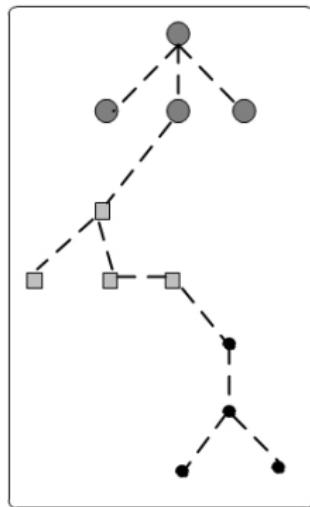


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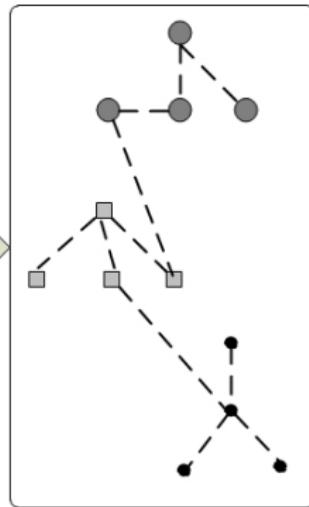
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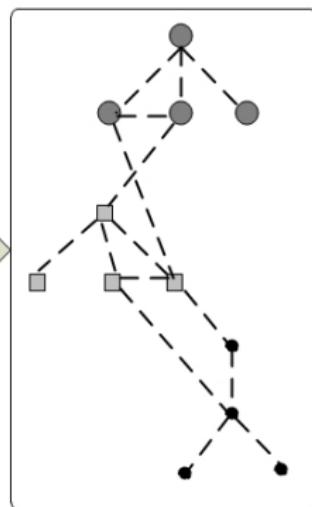
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(b) Newly-learned tree

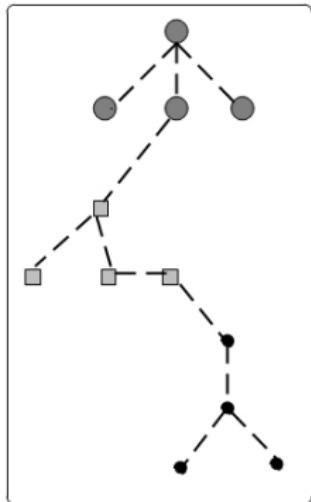


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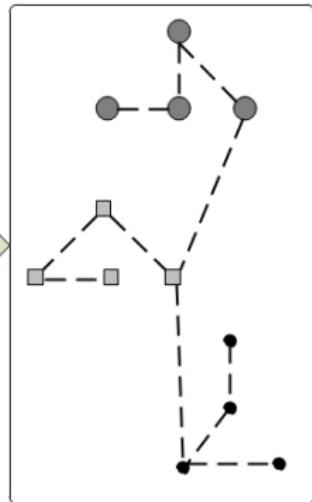
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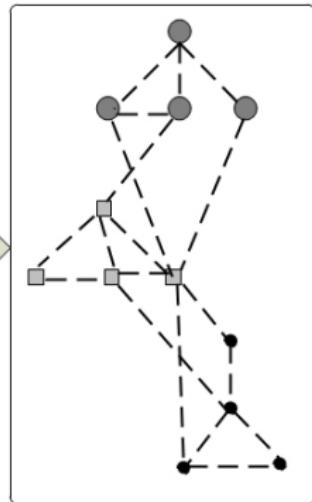
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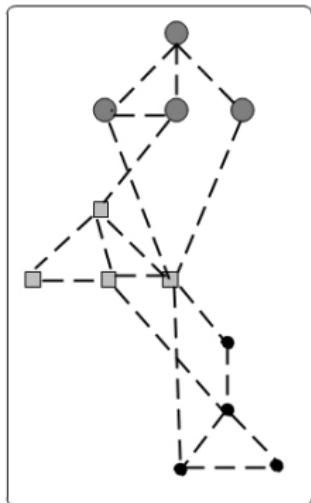
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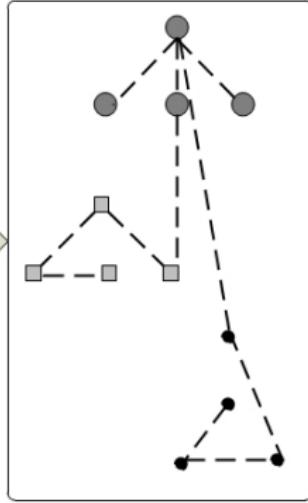
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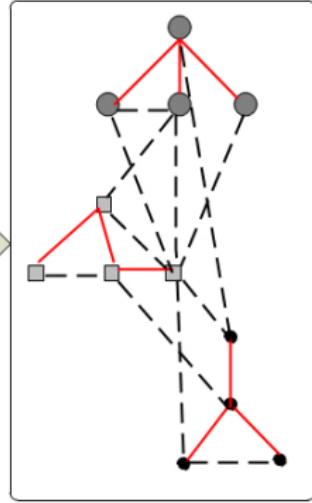
Iteration 4:



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(c) Augmented graph

Stopping criterion

How many edges to learn?

- ➊ Cross-validation
- ➋ Using the J -divergence:

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Stopping criterion:

Stop after i boosting iterations if:

$$\frac{\widehat{J}^{(i+1)}(\widehat{p}, \widehat{q}; p, q) - \widehat{J}^{(i)}(\widehat{p}, \widehat{q}; p, q)}{\widehat{J}^{(i)}(\widehat{p}, \widehat{q}; p, q)} < \epsilon$$

Learning thicker graphical models

- Final boosted classifier:

$$\begin{aligned} H_T(\mathbf{x}) &= \operatorname{sgn} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T \alpha_t \log \left(\frac{\hat{p}_t(\mathbf{x})}{\hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x})} \right) \right] = \operatorname{sgn} \left[\log \prod_{t=1}^T \left(\frac{\hat{p}_t(\mathbf{x})}{\hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x})} \right)^{\alpha_t} \right] \\ &= \operatorname{sgn} \left[\log \left(\frac{\prod_{t=1}^T (\hat{p}_t(\mathbf{x}))^{\alpha_t}}{\prod_{t=1}^T (\hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x}))^{\alpha_t}} \right) \right] = \operatorname{sgn} \left[\log \left(\frac{\hat{p}(\mathbf{x})}{\hat{q}(\mathbf{x})} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Define:

$$Z_p(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = Z_p(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_T) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \hat{p}(\mathbf{x}); Z_q(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \hat{q}(\mathbf{x})$$

- Normalized distributions for inference: $\frac{\hat{p}(\mathbf{x})}{Z_p(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}, \frac{\hat{q}(\mathbf{x})}{Z_q(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}$

→ Thicker **graphical models** learnt.

Robust face recognition using graphical models

$$i^* = \arg \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, K\}} \log \left(\frac{\hat{f}_p^i(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\hat{f}_q^i(\boldsymbol{\alpha})} \right). \quad (1)$$

Algorithm 1 Local-Sparse-Graphical-Model (LSGM) (Steps 1-4 offline)

- 1: **Feature extraction (training):** Obtain sparse representations $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_l, l = 1, \dots, P$ in \mathbb{R}^m from facial features, using local block-sparsity model
 - 2: **Initial disjoint graphs:**
For $l = 1, \dots, P$
Discriminatively learn pairs of m -node tree graphs \mathcal{G}_l^p and \mathcal{G}_l^q on $\{\boldsymbol{\alpha}_l\}$
 - 3: Separately concatenate nodes corresponding to p and q respectively
 - 4: **Boosting on disjoint graphs:** Iteratively thicken initial disjoint graphs via boosting to obtain final graphs \mathcal{G}^p and \mathcal{G}^q
{Online process}
 - 5: **Feature extraction (test):** Obtain sparse representations $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_l, l = 1, \dots, P$ in \mathbb{R}^m from test image
 - 6: **Inference:** Classify based on output of the resulting classifier using (1).
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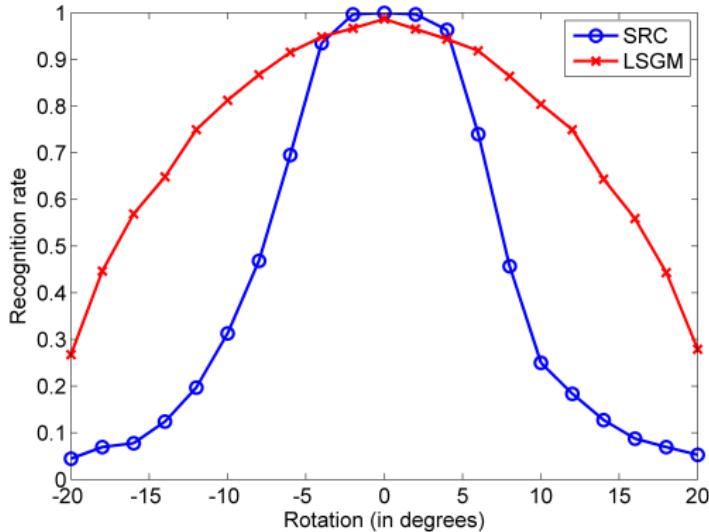
Results: Rotation (Extended Yale B)



Original



Rotated



- SRC: sparse representation-based classification
- LSGM: local sparsity with graphical models.

Results: Scaling (Yale)



Original



Scaled

Table: Recognition rate using SRC and LSGM.

SF	1	1.071	1.143	1.214	1.286
1	100	100	98.0	88.2	76.5
	98.8	98.2	98.5	97.5	97.5
1.063	99.7	96.5	86.1	68.5	50.3
	97.5	96.7	96.0	96.0	93.5
1.125	83.8	70.2	49.8	33.6	26.2
	97.4	96.5	96.2	95.2	93.2
1.188	54.5	43.7	26.8	20.0	18.0
	94.9	92.9	91.6	89.4	87.1
1.25	36.1	27.2	20.9	16.6	12.3
	94.9	93.0	92.2	87.9	82.0
1.313	31.5	24.3	16.7	13.9	10.6
	90.7	90.4	84.1	81.0	75.5

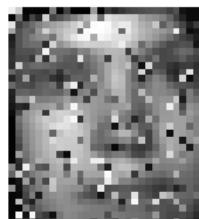
Table: Overall recognition rates.

Method	Recog. rate (%)
LSGM	89.4
SRC	60.8
Eigen-NS	55.5
Eigen-SVM	56.7
Fisher-NS	54.1
Fisher-SVM	57.1

Results: Scaling and random pixel corruption (Yale)



Original



Distorted

Table: Test images scaled and subjected to random pixel corruption.

Method	Recognition rate (%)
LSGM	96.3
SRC	93.2
Eigen-NS	54.3
Eigen-SVM	58.5
Fisher-NS	56.2
Fisher-SVM	59.9

Results: Scaling and disguise (AR database)



Sunglasses

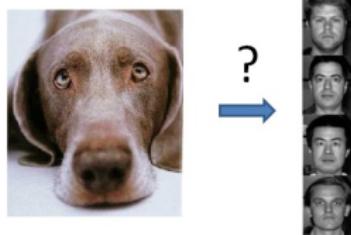


Scarf

Table: Test images scaled and subjects wear disguise.

Method	Recog. rate (%) Sunglasses	Recog. rate (%) Scarves
LSGM	96.0	92.9
SRC	93.5	90.1
Eigen-NS	47.2	29.6
Eigen-SVM	53.5	34.5
Fisher-NS	57.9	41.7
Fisher-SVM	61.7	43.6

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$$\text{SCI}(\alpha) = \frac{K \cdot \max_i \frac{\|\delta_i(\alpha)\|_1}{\|\alpha\|_1} - 1}{K - 1} \in [0, 1].$$

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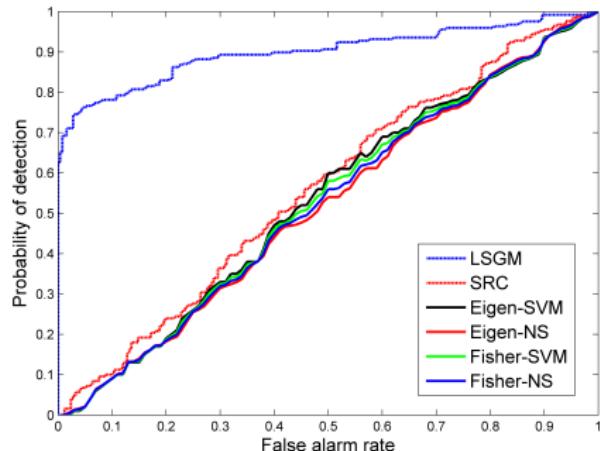


Figure: ROC curves for outlier rejection.

Conclusions

- Probabilistic graphical model framework for robust face recognition
 - Local block-based sparsity model → robustness to alignment errors and variety of distortions
 - Inspired by human perception → features built from informative regions of face
 - Explicitly captures conditional correlations between local sparse features.

Thank you
Questions?

Backup Slides

Edge weights:

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_{i,j}^p &:= \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{p}_{i,j}} \left[\log \frac{\tilde{p}_{i,j}}{\tilde{p}_i \tilde{p}_j} \right] - \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{q}_{i,j}} \left[\log \frac{\tilde{p}_{i,j}}{\tilde{p}_i \tilde{p}_j} \right] \\ \psi_{i,j}^q &:= \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{q}_{i,j}} \left[\log \frac{\tilde{q}_{i,j}}{\tilde{q}_i \tilde{q}_j} \right] - \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{p}_{i,j}} \left[\log \frac{\tilde{q}_{i,j}}{\tilde{q}_i \tilde{q}_j} \right].\end{aligned}$$

Algorithm 2 Discriminative trees (DT)

Given: Training sets \mathcal{T}_p and \mathcal{T}_q .

- 1: Estimate pairwise statistics $\tilde{p}_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$, $\tilde{q}_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$ for all edges (i, j) .
 - 2: Compute edge weights $\psi_{i,j}^p$ and $\psi_{i,j}^q$ for all edges (i, j) .
 - 3: Find $\mathcal{E}_{\hat{p}} = \text{MWST}(\psi_{i,j}^p)$ and $\mathcal{E}_{\hat{q}} = \text{MWST}(\psi_{i,j}^q)$.
 - 4: Get \hat{p} by projection of \tilde{p} onto $\mathcal{E}_{\hat{p}}$; likewise \hat{q} .
 - 5: LRT using \hat{p} and \hat{q} .
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Boosting

Algorithm 3 AdaBoost learning algorithm

- 1: Input data (x_i, y_i) , $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$, where $x_i \in S$, $y_i \in \{-1, +1\}$
 - 2: Initialize $D_1(i) = \frac{1}{N}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$
 - 3: For $t = 1, 2, \dots, T$:
 - Train weak learner using distribution D_t
 - Determine weak hypothesis $h_t : S \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ with error ϵ_t
 - Choose $\beta_t = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1 - \epsilon_t}{\epsilon_t} \right)$
 - $D_{t+1}(i) = \frac{1}{Z_t} \{D_t(i) \exp(-\beta_t y_i h_t(x_i))\}$, where Z_t is a normalization factor
 - 4: Output soft decision $H(x) = \text{sign} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T \beta_t h_t(x) \right]$.
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- Distribution of weights over the training set
- In each iteration, weak learner h_t minimizes weighted training error
- Weights on incorrectly classified samples increased \rightarrow slow learners penalized for harder examples.