## The local

 low-dimensionality of natural images

marginal response


Burt \& Adelson (1982) Field (1987)

marginal response

filter response
Burt \& Adelson (1982)
Field (1987)
Olshausen \& Field (1996) Bell \& Sejnowski (1997)

filter response


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image

marginal response

filter response

filter response
Ruderman (1994)
image

image
filters
joint responses

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joint responses



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nuclear norm
$\|Y\|_{*}=\sum_{i} \sigma_{i}$
L1 norm of singular values


measure of dimensionality for any number of filters
images


images
phase randomized


images




images




phase randomized

images






## filters


images




natural images
oriented filters

natural images


filters $W$


## $\left\|y_{r}\right\|_{*}$


image $x$

filters $W$

responses $Y=W x$
$E(W)=\sum_{n}\left\|Y_{n}\right\|_{*}$
local lowdimensionality

filters $W$
image $x$

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$E(W)=\sum_{n}\left\|Y_{n}\right\|_{*}$
local low-
dimensionality

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filters $W$

responses $Y=W x$
$E(W)=\sum_{\substack{\text { local low- } \\ \text { dimensionality }}}^{\sum_{\substack{\text { information } \\ \text { preservation }}}| | Y_{n}\left\|_{*}+\alpha\right\| \hat{x}-x \|_{2}^{2}}$
$E(W)=\sum_{\substack{\text { local low- } \\ \text { dimensionality }}}^{\sum_{n}\left\|Y_{n}\right\|_{*}+\alpha\|\hat{x}-x\|_{2}^{\text {information }} \text { preservation }}$

image $x$

filters $W$

responses $Y=W x$ reconstruction $\hat{x}=W^{T} Y$

# $E(W)=\sum_{n}\left\|Y_{n}\right\|_{*}+\alpha\|\hat{x}-x\|_{2}^{2}$ <br> local lowdimensionality information preservation 


image $x$

filters $W$

responses $Y=W x$
reconstruction $\hat{x}=W^{T} Y$

$$
E(W)=\sum_{n}\left\|Y_{n}\right\|_{*}+\alpha| | \hat{x}-x| |_{2}^{2}-\beta \left\lvert\,\left\|_{i}-\beta\right\|_{*}^{\text {information }} \begin{aligned}
& \text { local low- } \\
& \text { dimensionality }
\end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned}
& \text { global high- } \\
& \text { dimensional }
\end{aligned}\right.
$$


image $x$

filters $W$
reconstruction $\hat{x}=W^{T} Y$

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
\text { local low- } & \text { information } & \text { global high- } \\
\text { dimensionality } & \text { preservation } & \text { dimensionality }
\end{array}
$$

Fourier magnitudes


$$
\begin{aligned}
& E(W)=\sum_{n}\left\|Y_{n}\right\|_{*}+\alpha\|\hat{x}-x\|_{2}^{2}-\beta\|Y\|_{*} \\
& \text { local low- } \\
& \text { dimensionality } \\
& \text { information } \\
& \text { preservation } \\
& \text { global high- } \\
& \text { dimensionality }
\end{aligned}
$$


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$$
\begin{gathered}
\phi(x)_{n}=Y_{n}^{T} Y_{n} \\
\text { local covariance }
\end{gathered}
$$


image $x$

filters $W$

responses $Y=W x$

$$
\begin{array}{cl}
\phi(x)_{n}=Y_{n}^{T} Y_{n} & \phi(x)=\left[\phi(x)_{n}\right]_{n} \\
\text { local covariance } & \text { covariance map }
\end{array}
$$


image $x$

responses $Y=W x$
target image


## target image

## white noise


target image

## synthesized image

 from covariance map
$24 \times 24$ neighborhoods
$4 \times 4$ subsampling: $0.6 \times$ overcomplete
target image

## synthesized image

 from covariance map

+ white noise

$\|\Delta x\|_{2} /\|x\|_{2}=11.1 \%$
synthesized image from variance map
synthesized image from covariance map

$\|\Delta x\|_{2} /\|x\|_{2}=11.1 \%$
synthesized image from variance map

$\|\Delta x\|_{2} /\|x\|_{2}=20.7 \%$
synthesized image from covariance map

$\|\Delta x\|_{2} /\|x\|_{2}=11.1 \%$
target image

histogram of local eigen values
target image

threshold

target image



## synthesized image


target image


## synthesized image


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## Conclusion

responses of oriented, band-pass filters are locally low-dimensional
we optimized a bank of filters for local low-dimensionality
representing natural images as a map of low-dimensional covariances captures the perceptually relevant structure
future directions: stacked covariance maps

Thanks!

