The Least Squares Klein Bottle for Image Patches

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What is an Image Patch?



Image from van Hateren Natural Images Database [3]

- A $d \times d$ pixel block of a natural image
- This talk: black & white images
 - Pixel values measure light intensity
- We're interested in "high contrast" image patches

Why Study Image Patches?

Natural images are complex. Patches are (relatively) simple.

A sparse, rough and incomplete picture:

- Image Compression, Harmonic Analysis
 - Ridgelets, Curvelets, etc. [1]
- Image denoising/interpolation [2]
- ▶ Vision understand the visual cortex [3, 4]

Image Patches in TDA

Circles and Klein Bottles

- Carlsson & de Silva (2004) use as an example in witness complex construction. [5]
 - 3 circle model for a dense region of 3×3 patches
- Carlsson et al. (2008) formulate Klein bottle model. [6]
 - Showed that a dense region of 3×3 patches lies near a Klein bottle
- Adams & Carlsson (2009) range images primary circle [7]

Applications:

- Compression scheme by Maleki, Shahram, Carlsson (2008): BiWedgelets / Kleinlets [8]
- Perea & Carlsson (2014) rotation-invariant pattern recognition using Klein bottle [9]

Our Contributions

We introduce a general Klein bottle model for image patches

- Generalizes model used in Carlsson et al (2008)
- Works for general patch sizes
- Parametric model for the image patch Klein bottle
- We consider the problem of finding a 'least squares fit' Klein bottle for high contrast image patches

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Whence the Klein Bottle?



Klein Bottle artist: Ron Estrin

Image Patches - Preliminaries

Our Viewpoint

- ▶ Image patches are functions (intensity) on a $d \times d$ grid
- Image patches are a discretization of a continuous phenomenon



Obtaining Patches



- 1. Randomly select 5000 patches from image
- 2. Take log intensities of patches
- 3. mean-center patches
- 4. take top 20% by contrast norm
- 5. normalize by contrast norm

Procedure from Lee, Pedersen, Mumford (2003) [4] applied to van Hateren dataset [3]

Edges

Our model for "high-contrast" image patches is based on the observation that patches that look like edges are common.



Example image patches from the van Hateren data set [3]

Sources of Variation

Two sources of variation in edges:

- Orientation of edges (primary circle)
- Type of edge (secondary circles)





Example image patches from the van Hateren data set [3]

Odd Functions



Odd functions capture the behavior of transitions from one intensity to another

Even Functions

Even functions capture the behavior of lines



Combined Functions

Edges can also be a combination of even and odd functions



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Klein Bottle Elements

We'll show how to construct Klein bottles given the following ingredients:

- \blacktriangleright A symmetric domain ${\bf X}$
- \blacktriangleright A space of functions $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{X})$ mapping \mathbf{X} to \mathbb{R}
- A metric on $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{X})$
- \blacktriangleright Circles of even and odd functions in $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{X})$
- A "phase" stitching together the circles

Symmetric Domain

We say a space \mathbf{X} is symmetric if for all $x \in \mathbf{X}$, $-x \in \mathbf{X}$.

We'll generally think of compact subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .



Space of Functions

Ingredient 2: A space of functions $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{X})$ mapping \mathbf{X} to $\mathbb{R}:$ Examples:

- L_2 functions on \mathbf{X}
- \blacktriangleright Continuous bounded functions on ${\bf X}$
- \blacktriangleright degree ℓ polynomials on ${\bf X}$

A metric

 $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{X})$ may come equipped with a metric, but sometimes we may be able to choose one.

In general we will consider the L_2 metric. For continuous **X**:

$$d(f,g) = \left(\int_{\mathbf{X}} (f(x) - g(x))^2\right)^{1/2}$$

For discrete \mathbf{X} :

$$d(f,g) = \left(\sum_{\mathbf{X}} (f(x) - g(x))^2\right)^{1/2}$$

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Even and Odd

Let $f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{X})$.

We say
$$f$$
 is odd if $f(-x) = -f(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbf{X}$.

We say f is even if f(-x) = f(x) for all $x \in \mathbf{X}$.



Circle of Odd Functions

Let $\mathcal{F}_o \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{X})$ be a set of odd functions homeomorphic to S^1 . We can think of \mathcal{F}_o as being parameterized by $\phi \in [0, 2\pi]$, and denote $f_o \in \mathcal{F}_o$ as $f_o(x; \phi)$. Additionally, we require that $f_o(x; \phi) = -f_o(x; \phi + \pi)$.



(This is the "Primary Circle" [5])

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Circle of Even Functions

Let $\mathcal{F}_e \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{X})$ be a set of even functions homeomorphic to S^1 . We can think of \mathcal{F}_e as being parameterized by $\phi \in [0, 2\pi]$, and denote $f_e \in \mathcal{F}_o$ as $f_e(x; \phi)$. Additionally, we require $f_e(x; \phi_1) \neq -f_e(x; \phi_2)$, $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in [0, 2\pi]$



Note that one rotation in this circle is half a rotation in angle.

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Mixing Even and Odd

We introduce a "phase" θ to combine even and odd functions. Let $\mathcal{F}_k \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{X})$ be defined as

 $\mathcal{F}_k = \{\cos(\theta) f_e(x; 2\phi) + \sin(\theta) f_o(x; \phi) \mid \theta \in [0, 2\pi], \phi \in [0, \pi]\}$

We will denote an element of \mathcal{F}_k as $f_k(x; \theta, \phi)$.



(These are "Secondary Circles" [5]) A General Klein Bottle Model

Identification

 \mathcal{F}_k is a Klein bottle, as seen through an identification on the torus. Recall: $f_o(x;\phi)=-f_o(x;\phi+\pi)$



Red: $f_k(x; \theta = 0, \phi) = f_k(x; \theta = 2\pi, \phi)$ (full phase) Blue: $f_k(x; \theta, \phi = 0) = f_k(x; 2\pi - \theta, \phi = \pi)$ (even/odd, sin/cos)

Additional identifications do not occur due to the condition $f_e(x; \phi_1) \neq -f_e(x; \phi_2)$, for any $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in [0, 2\pi]$.

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Klein Bottle Identification



Green: primary circle, Blue: secondary circles

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Comments

\blacktriangleright We've made few assumptions about ${\bf X}$

- For patches, no assumptions about size of pixel grid ²
- Can consider more general domains
- We've said little about \mathcal{F}_e and \mathcal{F}_o
 - Don't need to look anything like edges
 - Also, many possible candidates for edge-like functions

²We need to be able to satisfy conditions on \mathcal{F}_e and \mathcal{F}_o , which rules out 2×2 grids and smaller if normalizing patches A General Klein Bottle Model

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Linear Combinations

We can construct circles \mathcal{F}_e and \mathcal{F}_o explicitly using linear combinations of several even and odd functions.

For example, let f_{o1}, f_{o2} be odd functions and $f_{e1}, f_{e2}, f_{e3}, f_{e4}$ be even functions.

$$\mathcal{F}_{o} = \{\sin(\phi)f_{o1} + \cos(\phi)f_{o2} \mid \phi \in [0, 2\pi]\}$$

satisfies $f_o(x; \phi + \pi) = -f_o(x; \phi)$.

$$\mathcal{F}_{e} = \left\{ \begin{cases} \sin(\phi)f_{e3} + \cos(\phi)f_{e1} & 0 \le \phi < \pi/2\\ \sin(\phi)f_{e3} - \cos(\phi)f_{e2} & \pi/2 \le \phi < \pi\\ -\sin(\phi)f_{e4} - \cos(\phi)f_{e2} & \pi \le \phi < 3\pi/2\\ -\sin(\phi)f_{e4} + \cos(\phi)f_{e1} & 3\pi/2 \le \phi < 2\pi \end{cases} \phi \in [0, 2\pi] \right\}$$

satisfies $f_e(x;\phi_1) \neq -f_e(x;\phi_2)$, for all $\phi_1,\phi_2 \in [0,2\pi]$

A DCT Klein Bottle

We use the lowest contrast modes of the discrete cosine transform as our even and odd functions.



A DCT Klein Bottle



Klein bottle generated using DCT basis functions on 4×4 patches.

Polynomial Patches

We can also turn a 1-dimensional function into a 2-dimensional function via projection before evaluation.



$$\mathbf{v}_{\phi} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) \end{bmatrix}$$

Original Klein Bottle Model



$$f_o(x) = x \qquad f_e(x) = x^2$$

Original Klein Bottle



The original image patch Klein bottle of Carlsson et al.

$$f_o(x) = x \qquad f_e(x) = x^2$$

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Least Squares Formulation

Consider a family of Klein bottle models parameterized by γ , with Klein bottle K_{γ} , and projection operation

$$P_{\gamma}y = \arg \inf_{f_k \in K_{\gamma}} \|y - f_k\|$$

We would like to find the parameter γ that solves

$$\underset{\gamma}{\operatorname{minimize}} \sum_{i} \|y^{i} - P_{\gamma}y^{i}\|^{2}$$

For a collection of patches $\{y^i\}$.

We will consider the case where \mathcal{F}_e and \mathcal{F}_o are determined by low degree polynomials ($\gamma = (\alpha, \beta)$):

$$f_o(\mathbf{x}, \phi) = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\ell} \alpha_j (\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{v}_{\phi})^{2j+1}\right)$$
$$f_e(\mathbf{x}, \phi) = \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\ell} \beta_j (\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{v}_{\phi})^{2j}\right)$$

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Decomposing a Patch

To determine the best choice of $\mathcal{F}_o(\alpha)$ and $\mathcal{F}_e(\beta)$ for the Klein bottle, we want to determine the orientation ϕ and phase θ independently. For each patch $y^i \in \{y^i\}$

- ► ϕ^i is estimated using the Harris Edge detector [10]. This gives us the coordinates $(x^i_j)^T \mathbf{v}^i_\phi$ to use for function evaluation
- We decompose the patch into odd and even parts

$$\begin{split} y_e^i(x) &= \left(y^i(x) + y^i(-x)\right)/2 \\ y_o^i(x) &= \left(y^i(x) - y^i(-x)\right)/2 \end{split}$$

 $\blacktriangleright \ \theta^i$ is estimated using the norms of y^i_e and y^i_o

Least Squares System

We can set up a linear least squares equation for the odd term coefficients α ,

 $X\alpha = y$

where α is the coefficient vector, and X and y have vertical blocks of the form

$$X_{i} = \sin(\theta^{i}) \begin{bmatrix} (x_{1}^{i})^{T} \mathbf{v}_{\phi}^{i} & ((x_{1}^{i})^{T} \mathbf{v}_{\phi}^{i})^{3} & \dots & ((x_{1}^{i})^{T} \mathbf{v}_{\phi}^{i})^{2\ell+1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ (x_{d^{2}}^{i})^{T} \mathbf{v}_{\phi}^{i} & ((x_{d^{2}}^{i})^{T} \mathbf{v}_{\phi}^{i})^{3} & \dots & ((x_{d^{2}}^{i})^{T} \mathbf{v}_{\phi}^{i})^{2\ell+1} \end{bmatrix} \\ y_{i} = \begin{bmatrix} y_{o,1}^{i} \\ \vdots \\ y_{o,d^{2}}^{i} \end{bmatrix}$$

A similar system can be derived for the even coefficients β . Finding an Optimal Model



Example images from the Van Hateren dataset [3]

We use distance to a patch's kth nearest neighbor as a proxy for density. We'll look at the top p percent "densest" points for different values of p.

Van Hateren Data set. Numbers reported are the relative 2-norm approximation error.

 $k=50, p=0.2, \ell=9$

d	PCA2	PCA3	PCA4	KB(DCT)	KB(old)	KB(LS)
3	0.2446	0.1897	0.1328	0.2630	0.1268	0.1172
4	0.3434	0.2792	0.2132	0.3718	0.2240	0.1997
5	0.4402	0.3558	0.2730	0.4690	0.3014	0.2700
6	0.5185	0.4215	0.3290	0.5630	0.3940	0.3524



Least Squares Polynomials for $k = 50, p = 0.2, \ell = 9$.

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k = 50, p = 0.2, d = 5. Witness Complex (70 landmarks) computed on data augmented with least squares Klein bottle (100×100 sample on (θ, ϕ) grid).



Left: persistence diagram computed over \mathbb{Z}_2 , right, persistence diagram computed over \mathbb{Z}_3 . Computations performed with Gudhi.

Van Hateren Data set. Numbers reported are the relative 2-norm approximation error.

 $k=50, p=0.5, \ell=9$

d	PCA2	PCA3	PCA4	KB(DCT)	KB(old)	KB(LS)
3	0.3128	0.2550	0.1924	0.3159	0.1976	0.1895
4	0.4452	0.3646	0.2927	0.4419	0.3170	0.2944
5	0.5250	0.4368	0.3613	0.5409	0.4285	0.3895
6	0.5875	0.4993	0.4223	0.6370	0.5378	0.4877

Van Hateren Data set. Numbers reported are the relative 2-norm approximation error.

 $k = 50, p = 1.0, \ell = 9$ (all high-contrast patches)

d	PCA2	PCA3	PCA4	KB(DCT)	KB(old)	KB(LS)
3	0.4625	0.3706	0.2842	0.4175	0.3415	0.3331
4	0.5486	0.4674	0.3838	0.5406	0.4838	0.4610
5	0.6045	0.5278	0.4497	0.6372	0.5964	0.5636
6	0.6472	0.5738	0.5009	0.7240	0.6952	0.6577

Discussion

- The least squares Klein bottle model does well on the high density portions of the patch data
- As dimension increases, performance suffers as edges are not the only thing that appears
- ► The least squares Klein bottle does better than 2-D PCA

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We've shown

- There are many ways to come up with Klein bottles of functions on symmetric spaces
- Edge models for image patches are a natural way to arrive at the Klein bottle
 - This doesn't depend on patch size
- Klein bottle models empirically work well for high contrast patch compression

Ongoing/Future Work

- Different (better?) bases for even and odd functions
- Bases for individual images/textures
 - Functions learned for textures may be interesting
- Improvements in optimization process/understanding
 - Currently, obtaining ϕ is somewhat heuristic
 - Statistical guarantees?

Questions?

(Some starters)

- Where else might elements of these Klein bottle models appear?
- What image patch features aren't captured by the edge model?
- Are there reasonable models that can be built on top of the Klein bottle?

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Texture Recognition



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Compression



Wedgelets

Adaptive wedgelets

Adaptive bi-wedgelet



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