

Color transfer

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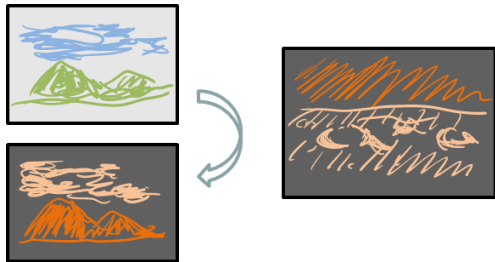
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Outline

Color transfer by histogram matching

Example: a color transfer method

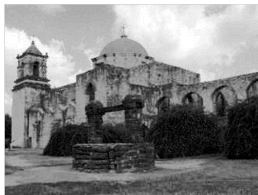
"N-Dimensional Probability Density Function Transfer and Its Application to Colour Transfer," Pitié et al., ICCV 2005.



Color grading in the movie industry

"Shooting a movie out of sequence and at scattered locations results in images of varying color values. The process of color timing balances the hues, provides continuity, and evokes specific moods through enhancement or manipulation of colors." – Homing Beacon

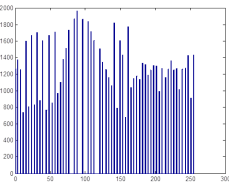
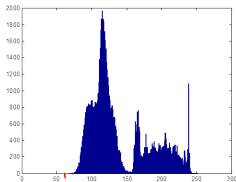
Histogram equalization on a grayscale image



```
I = imread('a.jpg');  
hist(I(:), [0.5:1:254.5]);
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0.5 1 2

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J = histeq(I);  
hist(J(:), [0.5:1:254.5]);
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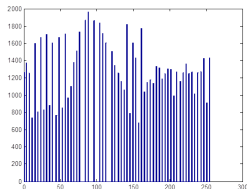
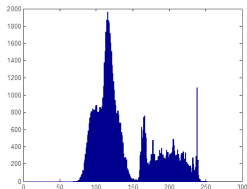
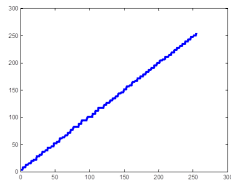
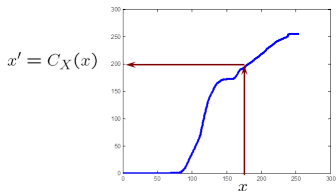


Line up and regroup



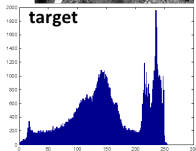
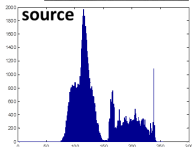
Histogram equalization via cumulative distribution function (c.d.f.)

Use the rescaled c.d.f. as a mapping function to set the new intensity value of every pixel

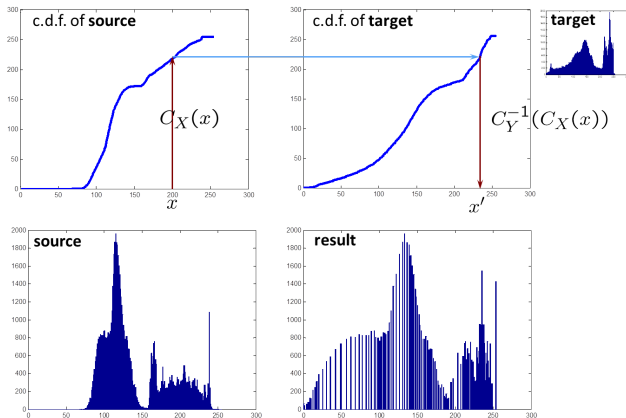


Histogram matching

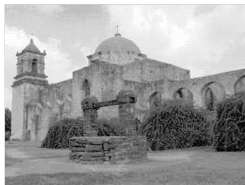
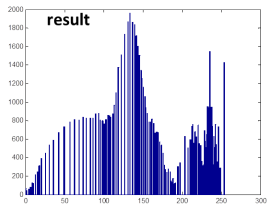
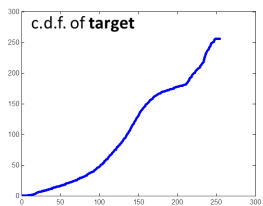
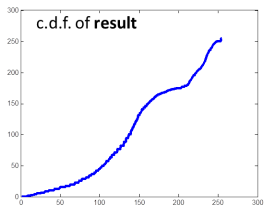
- ▶ In histogram equalization, we expect the output image to have a uniform histogram.
- ▶ What if we want it to have a specific distribution (other than uniform)?



Histogram matching



Histogram matching



output

Code by Pitie

```
function f = pdf_transfer1D(pX,pY)
    nbins = max(size(pX));

    PX = cumsum(pX);
    PX = PX/PX(end);

    PY = cumsum(pY);
    PY = PY/PY(end);
```

Code by Pitie (cont.)

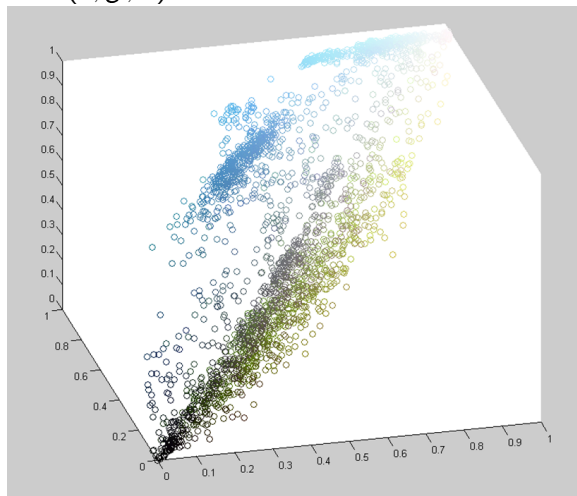
```
% inversion
small_damping = (0:nbins+1)/nbins*1e-3;
PX = [0 PX nbins] + small_damping;
PY = [0 PY nbins] + small_damping;

f = interp1(PY,...
[0 ((0:nbins-1)+1e-16) (nbins+1e-10)], ...
PX, 'linear');
f = f(2:end-1);

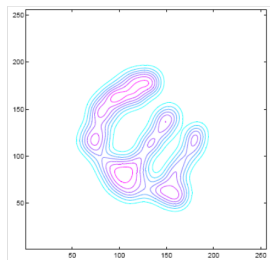
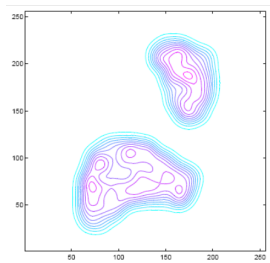
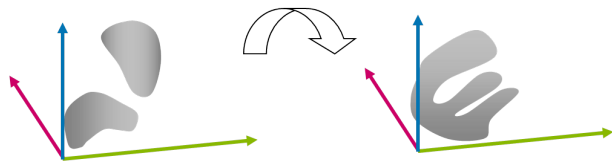
end
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Color distribution in RGB space

$$\mathbf{x} = (r, g, b)^T$$

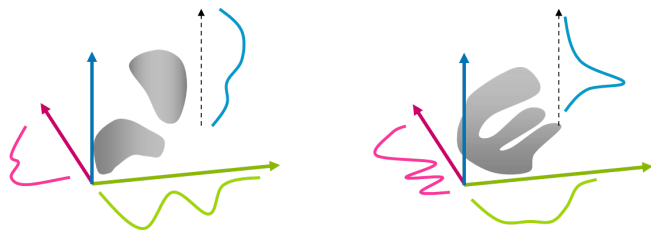


Matching color distributions in RGB space



The idea

- ▶ Convert N-dimensional histogram matching into one-dimensional histogram matching
- ▶ Project the data onto one-dimensional space



The algorithm

1: **Initialization** of the data set source \mathbf{x} and target \mathbf{y} .

For example in color transfer, $\mathbf{x}_j = (r_j, g_j, b_j)^T$.

$k \leftarrow 0, \mathbf{x}^{(0)} \leftarrow \mathbf{x}$

2: **repeat**

3: take a rotation matrix R and rotate the samples:

$\mathbf{x}_r \leftarrow R\mathbf{x}^{(k)}$ and $\mathbf{y}_r \leftarrow R\mathbf{y}^{(k)}$

4: project the samples on each axis i to get the marginals

f_i and g_i

5: for each axis i , find the 1D transformation t_i that matches the marginals f_i and g_i

6: remap the samples \mathbf{x}_r according to the 1D transformations

7: rotate back the samples: $\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} \leftarrow R^{-1}\mathbf{x}_r$ $R^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_r' - \mathbf{x}_r)$

8: $k \leftarrow k + 1$

9: **until** convergence on all marginals for every possible rotation

Code by Pitie

$$A \setminus B = C \quad \left(\right)^x = \left(\right)$$

$x = A \setminus B;$

```
%% match the marginals
for i=1:nb_projs
    f{i} = pdf_transfer1D(p0R{i}, p1R{i});

    scale = (length(f{i})-1)/(datamax(i)-datamin(i));

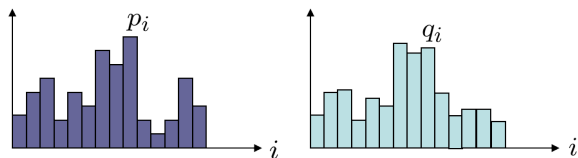
    DOR_(i,:) = interp1(0:length(f{i})-1, f{i}', ...
(DOR(i,:) - datamin(i))*scale)/scale + datamin(i);
end

D0 = relaxation * R \ (DOR_ - DOR) + D0;
```

Dissimilarity between two histograms

- ▶ Kullback-Leibler distance

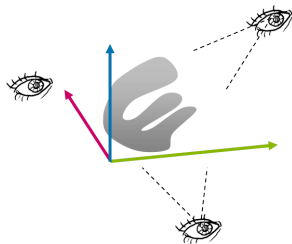
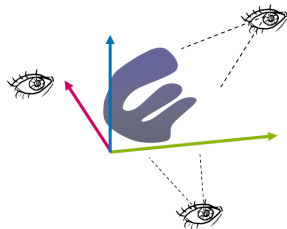
$$D_{KL}(p||q) = \sum_i p_i \log \left(\frac{p_i}{q_i} \right), \quad \sum_i p_i = 1, \quad \sum_i q_i = 1$$



- ▶ If two histograms are identical $D_{KL}(p||q) = 0$

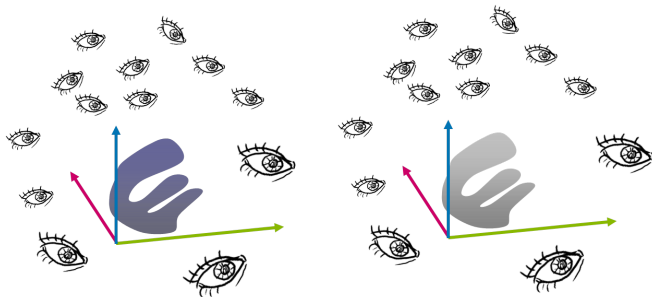
How to check whether two distributions are identical?

- ▶ For every rotation of the axis, the projections (or marginals) of f match the projections of g



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How to choose rotation matrices?

A direct test on the package provided by the authors

Note by the author: The grain reducer technique is not provided here.

http:

[//www.mee.tcd.ie/~sigmedia/Research/ColourGrading](http://www.mee.tcd.ie/~sigmedia/Research/ColourGrading)



“Color transfer between images” (Reinhard et al.)

$$\begin{bmatrix} L \\ M \\ S \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3811 & 0.5783 & 0.0402 \\ 0.1967 & 0.7244 & 0.0782 \\ 0.0241 & 0.1288 & 0.8444 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{L} &= \log L \\ \mathbf{M} &= \log M \quad (\log_{10} \text{ in Matlab}) \\ \mathbf{S} &= \log S \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} l \\ \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L} \\ \mathbf{M} \\ \mathbf{S} \end{bmatrix}$$



$$I_t \Rightarrow I'_t$$

This example is to modify I_t according to I_s

$$l'_t = \frac{\sigma_s^l}{\sigma_t^l} (l_t - \langle l_t \rangle) + \langle l_s \rangle$$

$$\alpha'_t = \frac{\sigma_s^\alpha}{\sigma_t^\alpha} (\alpha_t - \langle \alpha_t \rangle) + \langle \alpha_s \rangle$$

$$\beta'_t = \frac{\sigma_s^\beta}{\sigma_t^\beta} (\beta_t - \langle \beta_t \rangle) + \langle \beta_s \rangle$$

“Color transfer between images” (Reinhard et al.)

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$$L = 10^L$$

$$M = 10^M$$

$$S = 10^S$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.4679 & -3.5873 & 0.1193 \\ -1.2186 & 2.3809 & -0.1624 \\ 0.0497 & -0.2439 & 1.2045 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} L \\ M \\ S \end{bmatrix}$$

derived from matrix inversion

Another application

“Bayesian correction of image intensity with spatial consideration,” Jia, Sun, Tang, and Shum

Fast Shutter Speed



Poor color

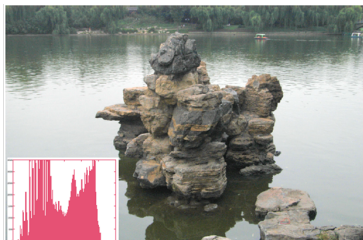
Slow Shutter Speed



Good color but blurry

Another application

“Bayesian correction of image intensity with spatial consideration,” Jia, Sun, Tang, and Shum



After color mapping



Ground truth

Another application

people.csail.mit.edu/yichangshih/time_lapse/time_lapse.pdf


Data-driven Hallucination of Different Times of Day from a Single Outdoor Photo

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Input image at "blue hour" (just after sunset)

A database of time-lapse videos

Hallucinate at night

Figure 1: Given a single input image (courtesy of Ken Cheng), our approach hallucinates the same scene at a different time of day, e.g., from blue hour (just after sunset) to night in the above example. Our approach uses a database of time-lapse videos to infer the transformation for hallucinating a new time of day. First, we find a time-lapse video with a scene that resembles the input. Then, we locate a frame at the same time of day as the input and another frame at the desired output time. Finally, we introduce a novel example-based color transfer technique based on local affine transforms. We demonstrate that our method produces a plausible image at a different time of day.

Abstract

We introduce "time hallucination": synthesizing a plausible image at a different time of day from an input image. This challenging task often requires dramatically altering the color appearance of the picture. In this paper, we introduce the first data-driven approach to automatically creating a plausible-looking photo that appears as

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1 Introduction

Time of day and lighting conditions are critical for outdoor photography (e.g. [Caputo 2005] chapter "Time of Day"). Photographers

Questions

- ▶ How to do histogram equalization?
- ▶ How to do one-dimensional histogram matching?
- ▶ How to do N-dimensional histogram matching?
- ▶ How to measure the dissimilarity between two histograms?
- ▶ Other applications?