Example application: CMU face detector

From: http://www.ius.cs.cmu.edu/IUS/har2/har/www/CMU-CS-95-158R/
Oval mask for ignoring background pixels:

Original window:

Best fit linear function:

Lighting corrected window:
(linear function subtracted)

Histogram equalized window:

Figure 2: The steps in preprocessing a window. First, a linear function is fit to the intensity values in the window, and then subtracted out, correcting for some extreme lighting conditions. Then, histogram equalization is applied, to correct for different camera gains and to improve contrast. For each of these steps, the mapping is computed based on pixels inside the oval mask, while the mapping is applied to the entire window.
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P(C|\text{Rf}) = \frac{P(\text{Rf}|C) P(C)}{P(\text{Rf})} = \frac{0.2 \times 0.7}{0.9 \times 0.3 + 0.2 \times 0.7} = 0.34
\]

\[
P(\text{F}) = 0.3; \ P(\text{C}) = 0.7;
\]
Bayes theorem

\[ P(x, y) = P(x|y) \ P(y) \]
so
\[ P(x|y) \ P(y) = P(y|x) \ P(x) \]
and
\[ P(x|y) = \frac{P(y|x) \ P(x)}{P(y)} \]
“You must choose, but Choose Wisely”

• Given only probabilities, can we minimize the number of errors we make?

• Given:

  responses $R_i$, categories $C_i$, current category $c$, data $x$

• To Minimize error:

  – Decide $R_i$ if $P(C_i \mid x) > P(C_k \mid x)$ for all $i \neq k$

  \[ P( x \mid C_i ) \frac{P(C_i )}{P(C_k )} > P(x \mid C_k ) \frac{P(C_k )}{P(C_i )} \]

  \[ P( x \mid C_i )/ P(x \mid C_k ) > P(C_k ) / P(C_i ) \]

  \[ P( x \mid C_i )/ P(x \mid C_k ) > T \]

  
  **Optimal classifications always involve hard boundaries**
Horse Segmentation
\[ P(\text{horse}) = 0.04 \]
\[ P(\text{background}) = 0.96 \]
Now evaluate

\[ \frac{p(r_j \mid \text{horse})}{p(r_j \mid \text{background})} \]

\( j = 1 : N_{\text{measurements}} \)
Foreground
background
Pixels in color space
Histograms

Entire Image
$\log(p(r,g|\text{horse})/p(r,g|\text{background}))$
Histogram Matching

Find current histogram and cumulative

Use current cumulative as an inverse transform,
Use desired cumulative as forward transform.
function matchedvalues = histogrammatch(oldvalues, desiredCount, desiredbinvals)
% matchedvalues = histogrammatch(oldvalues, desiredCount, desiredbinvals)
% nonlinearly transform your numbers to enforce a desired histogram (a table of values and counts)
% written by: P. Schrater 2003
[oldcount,oldbinvals]=hist(oldvalues(:),sqrt(length(oldvalues(:))));
% eliminate zero counts and find cumulative table
zind = find(oldcount==0);
oldcount(zind)=[]; oldbinvals(zind)=[];
cumprobold = cumsum(oldcount)/sum(oldcount);

% assign each oldvalue its cumulative prob
pvaluesold = interp1(oldbinvals,cumprobold,oldvalues(:));

% now do same for desired:
% eliminate zero counts and find cumulative table
zind = find(desiredCount==0);
desiredCount(zind)=[]; desiredbinvals(zind)=[];
cumprobnew = cumsum(desiredCount)/sum(desiredCount);

% translate our pvalues back to values by running through the new probability table
matchedvalues = interp1(cumprobnew,desiredbinvals,pvaluesold);

matchedvalues = reshape(matchedvalues,size(oldvalues));
Mutual Info

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\[ \text{Py} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1647 \\ 0.1680 \\ 0.0872 \\ 0.0981 \\ 0.0064 \\ 0.2609 \\ 0.1457 \\ 0.0690 \end{bmatrix} \]

\[ \text{Px} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1728 \\ 0.0286 \\ 0.2276 \\ 0.1495 \\ 0.0425 \\ 0.2064 \\ 0.0244 \\ 0.1481 \end{bmatrix} \]

**Dependent distribution**

\[ p(x,y) \]
\[ P_{xy} = P(y|x) \cdot \text{repmat}(px, 8, 1); \]

**Independent distribution**

\[ p(x)p(y) \]
\[ P_{xy\text{ind}} = P_x \cdot P_y' = [8 \times 8] \]
After histogram Equalization
Moral of the story

• You can’t learn much from one picture:
  – One image does not capture variation due to:
    • camera-based color correction
    • Changes in lighting between images
    • Changes in viewpoint and distance between images
  – These sources are extremely important to model
    • Preprocess your images
    • Use large training set.
Intrinsic difficulty segmentation Problem

Figure 1: Left to right, three detection tasks of increasing degrees of difficulty. The stop sign (left) is easy to find. The gila monster (centre) is harder. The dalmation dog (right) is almost impossible.