

Image statistics and Texture modeling

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[Srivastana, Simoncelli, Zhu – on the advances in statistical modelling of natural images IMIV 2003]

[Huang, Mumford – Statistics of Natural Images and Models, CVPR 1999]

[Mallat – a wavelet tour of signal processing, 1999]



Overview

- Spectral analysis
 - Fourier transform
 - Windowed Fourier Transform, Gabor filters
 - Structure tensor
- Connection to simple cells in primary visual cortex
- Image statistics
- Statistical models in image space
- Paper

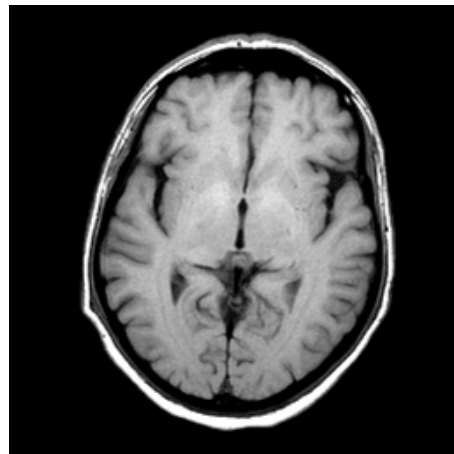
Fourier transform

Linear operator that decomposes a function into a continuous spectrum of frequency components

FT
$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \hat{f}(\omega) \boxed{e^{i\omega t}} d\omega.$$

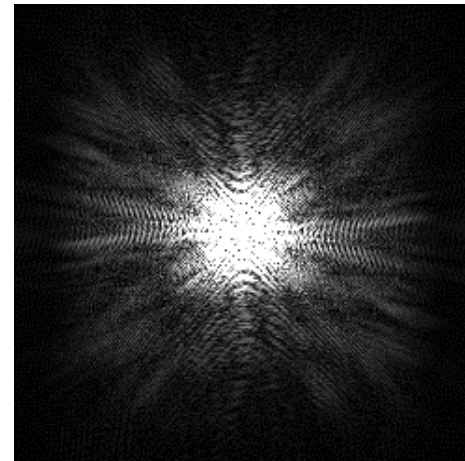
Sinusoidal wave

IFT
$$\hat{f}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt.$$



Spatial domain t

FT
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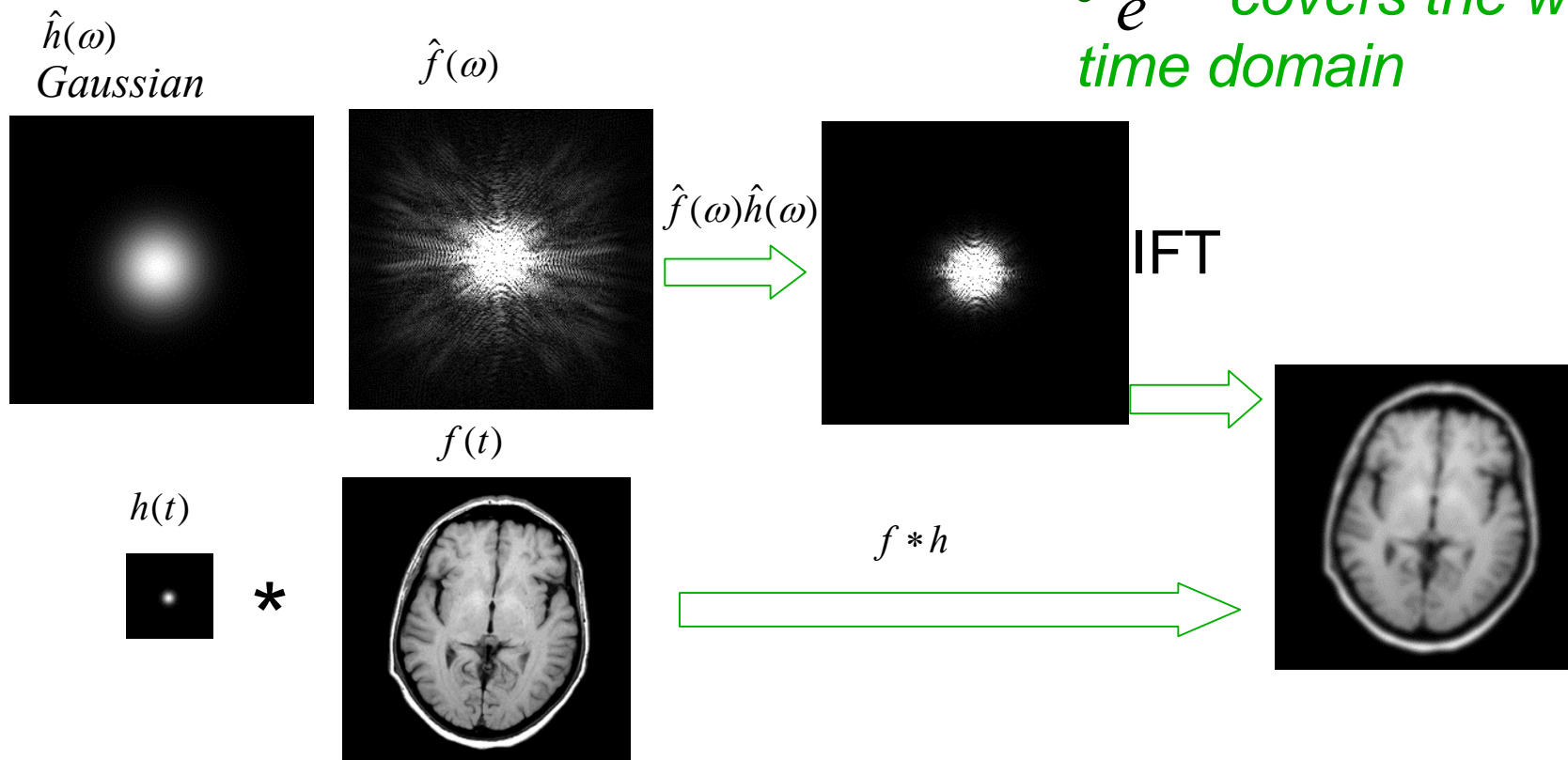
Frequency domain ω

Filtering in frequency domain

Linear time invariant operator

$$Lf(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \hat{f}(\omega) \hat{h}(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega.$$

- *localized in frequency but not in space*
- *$e^{i\omega t}$ covers the whole time domain*



Windowed Fourier Transform

Gabor atoms

- time-frequency atoms that have a minimal spread in time-frequency plane
- Translation in time and frequency of a time window g

$$g_{u,\xi}(t) = g(t-u) e^{i\xi t}.$$

$$\hat{g}_{u,\xi}(\omega) = \hat{g}(\omega - \xi) e^{-i u (\omega - \xi)}.$$

concentrate energy in the

• *spatial neighborhood u*

• *frequency neighborhood of ξ*

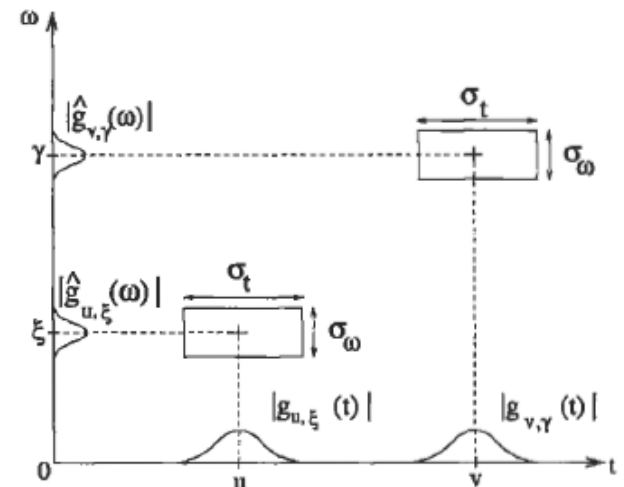
W FT

$$Sf(u, \xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t) g_{u,\xi}^*(t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t) g(t-u) e^{-i\xi t} dt$$

$$Sf(u, \xi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \hat{f}(\omega) \hat{g}_{u,\xi}^*(\omega) d\omega.$$

Time invariant filter

$$Lf(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \hat{f}(\omega) \hat{h}(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega.$$



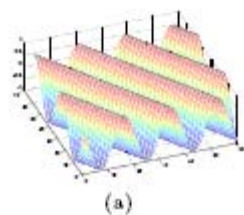
Gabor filters

g = Gaussian modulated with an oriented sin wave

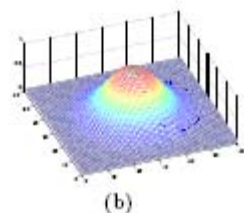
$t = (x, y)$

Gabor atom: $g_{u,\xi}(t) = g(t - u)e^{i\xi t}$.

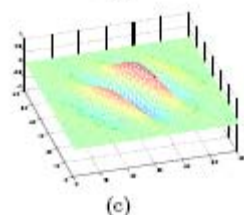
$$g_{\tau\xi\Phi}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\tau^2} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\tau^2}} e^{2\pi i\xi(x\cos\Phi+y\sin\Phi)}$$



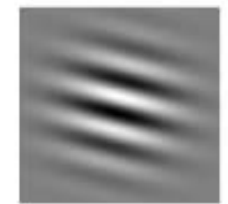
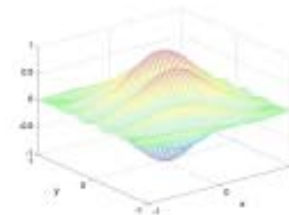
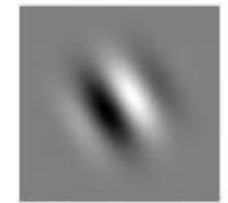
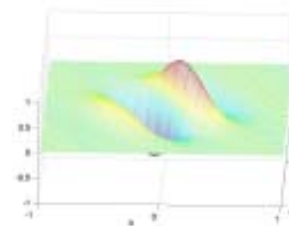
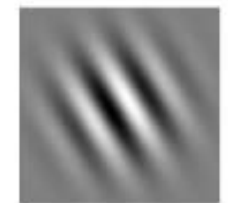
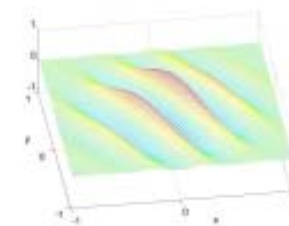
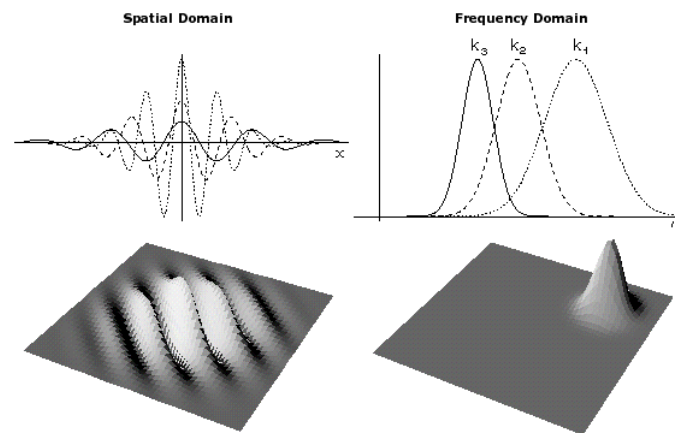
(a)



(b)



(c)

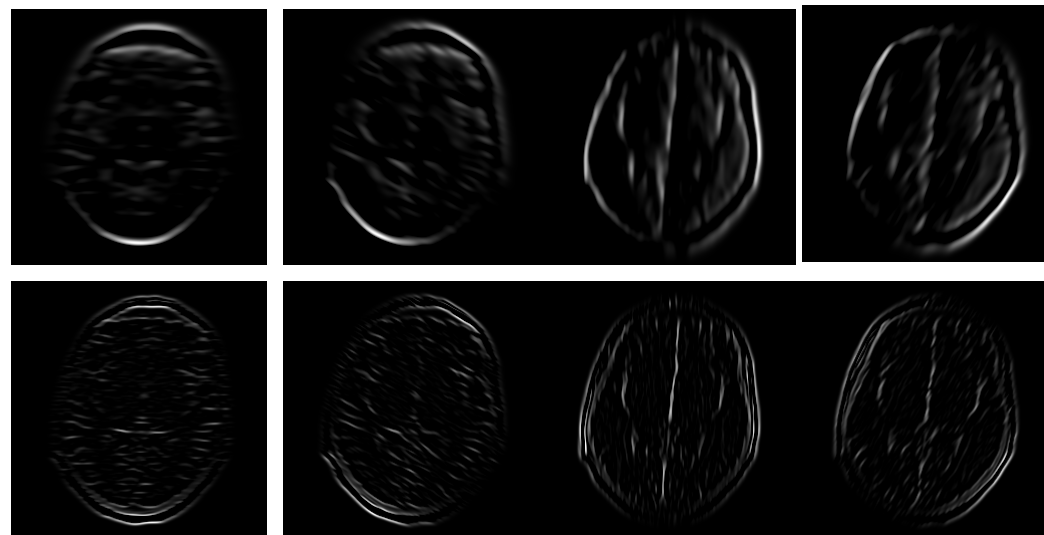
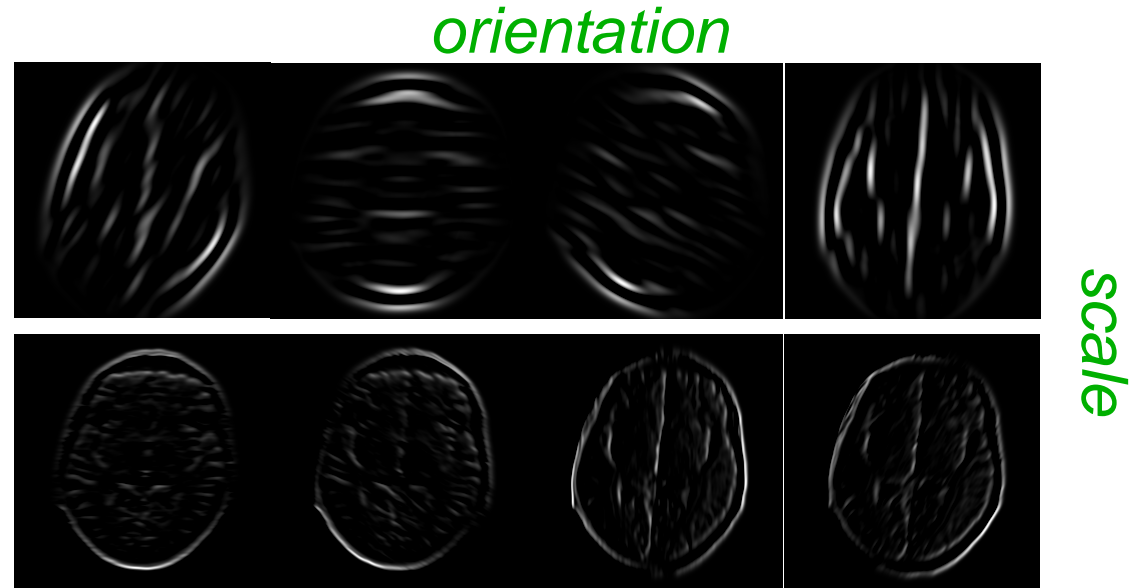
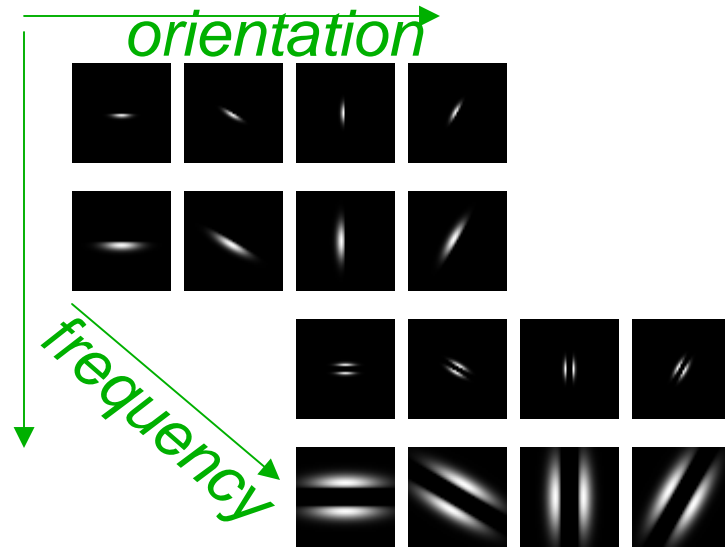


Gabor filter formation

Examples of Gabor filters

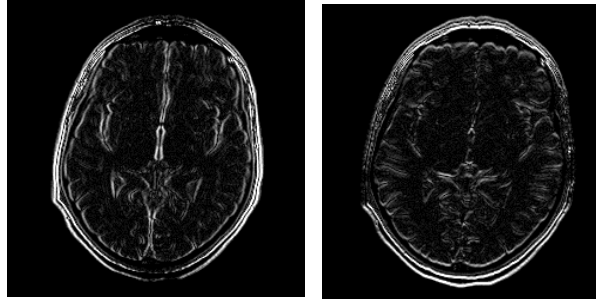


Gabor filters examples

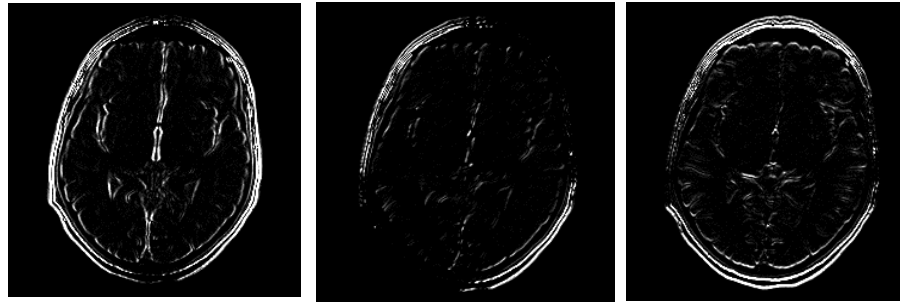


Structure tensor

Image gradient
 ∇I



Structure tensor



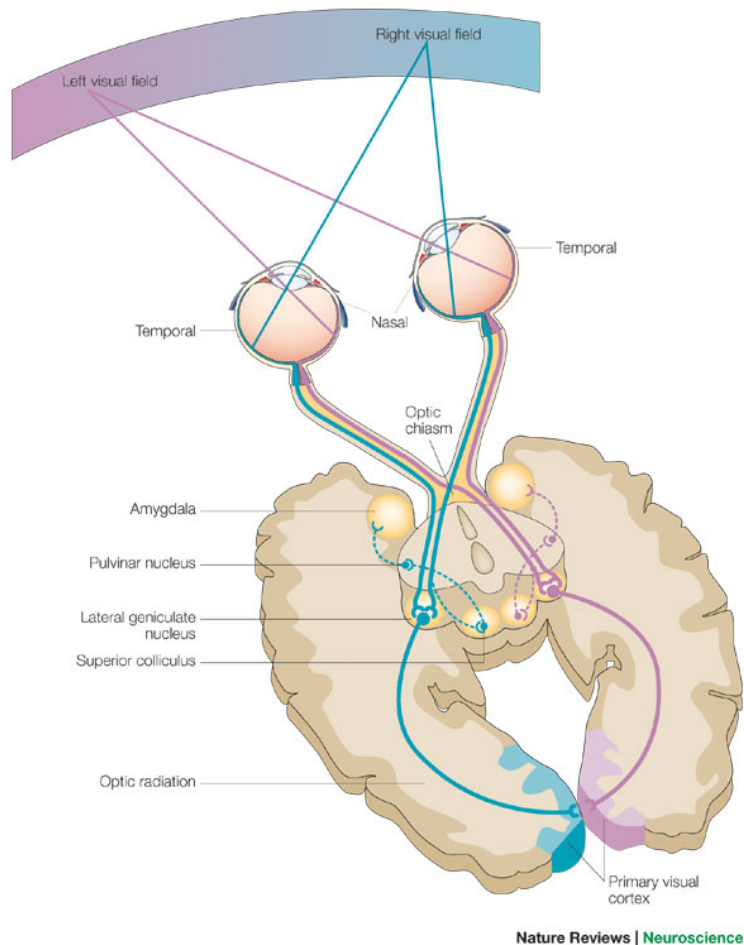
Smoothed tensor $G_{\tau} * (\nabla I \nabla I^T) = \begin{pmatrix} G_{\tau} * I_x^2 & G_{\tau} * I_x I_y \\ G_{\tau} * I_y I_x & G_{\tau} * I_y^2 \end{pmatrix}$

- *Semi-definite matrix*
- *dominant orientation = corresponding to biggest eigenvalue*
- *magnitude – trace*
- *homogeneity of orientation = smallest / biggest eigenvalue*
- *no scale ! – based on linear diffusion (Total Variation flow)*

Motivation for use of Gabor filters

- Simple cells in the primary visual cortex have receptive fields (RFs) which are restricted to small regions of space and highly structured [Marcelja 1980, Jones & Palmer 1987].
- Recent examinations, among others the one by [Jones & Palmer 1987] showed that the response behavior of simple cells of cats corresponds to local measurements of frequencies.

resample Gabor filters



Statistics on natural images

Statistics of filter responses on natural images

- Scale invariance

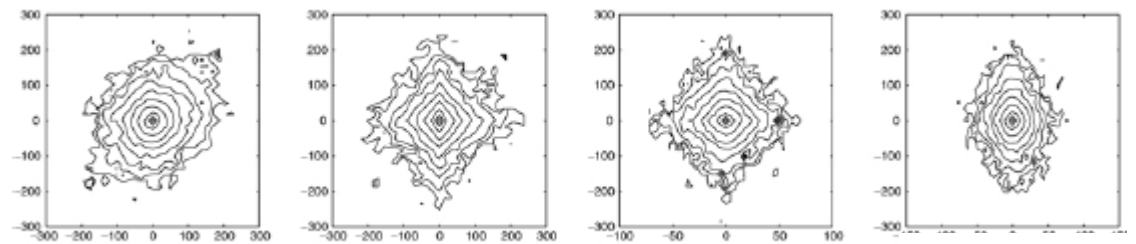
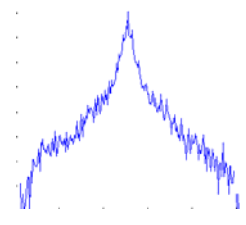
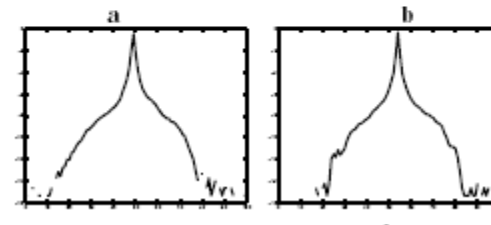
marginal distribution of stats
remain unchanged

- Non-Gaussian marginal statistics

large correlations across scale

- Non-Gaussian joint statistics

dependencies across scale,
orientation, position



Different spatial
offsets

Different
orientation

Differer
scale

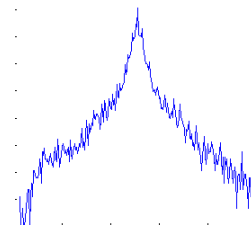
Models for images

1. Statistical models in image space

- MRF
$$p(\mathbf{I}) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left\{ \sum_{\vec{v}} g(\mathbf{I}(\vec{v})) + \sum_{\vec{u}, \vec{v}} \beta_{\vec{u}-\vec{v}} \mathbf{I}(\vec{u}) \mathbf{I}(\vec{v}) \right\},$$
$$p(\mathbf{I}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2}} |B|^{1/2} \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\mathbf{I} - \mu)^T B (\mathbf{I} - \mu) \right\},$$

- Analytical densities of filter responses

- Generalized Laplacian
- Student-t distribution
- [...]



Models for images

2. Image manifolds : define a lower dimensional manifold in the space of $N \times M$ matrices

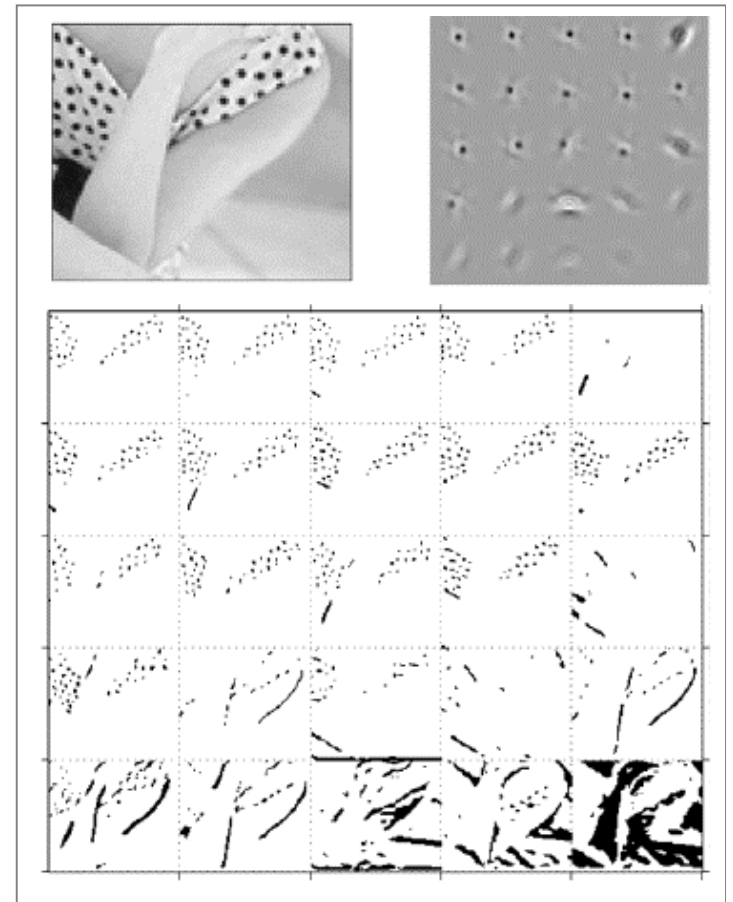
- Linear local subspaces

- PCA – stats. of projected coef.

- ICA - minimize correlation

- Local linear embedding

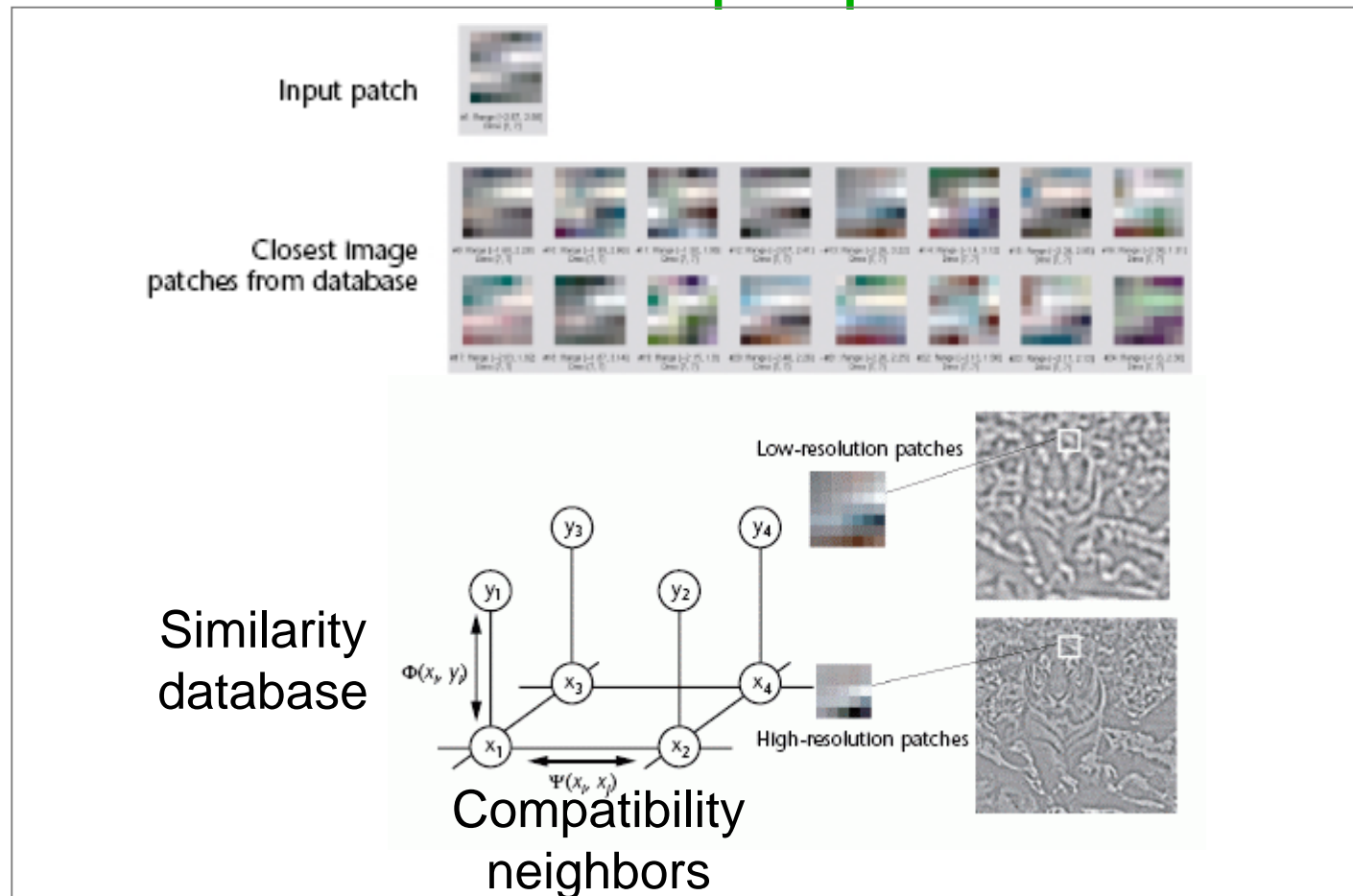
- Texons – higher local structures



[Texons- Mallick IJCV 2001]

Models for images

3. Database of example pathes :



[Super-resolution – Freeman et al. 2002]