Computational Vision

Learning invariances

- Complex cells
- Learning simple and complex cells



RF organization in V1



Hubel & Wiesel



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Computational models of complex cells



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Max pooling

Motivation: Superposition problem and robustness to clutter

Increase in tolerance to position



Increase in tolerance to scale



Max-like computation in the visual cortex



Max-like in V1

Gawne & Martin '02



Max-like in V4

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Computational models of complex cells

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Contour integration only occurs when:-



Other Variables:-The phase of the Gabor patch was found to be inelevant Detection improves as the number of elements increases lowards 12

Changing phase has little effect



source: Field et al 1993



source: Hansen et al 2006



Adelson & Bergen 1985; Heeger 1991





Touryan et al '05



Touryan et al '05



Rust et al '05

Computational diversity

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Behavioral/Systems/Cognitive

Computational Diversity in Complex Cells of Cat Primary Visual Cortex

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Cortical mechanisms of invariant recognition

C1 complex units

(1) half-rectification and summing over phases at each location for tolerance to contrast reversal



(2) gain control / divisive normalization



(3) selective max-like pooling over nearby positions and scales for tolerance to 2D transformations

Increase in tolerance to position



Increase in tolerance to scale



Heeger & Carandini '94; Lampl et al '01; Touryan et al '02; Rust et al '05; Finn & Ferster '07

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Hebbian learning

- Neurons as coincidence detectors
- 'What fires together, wires together'

$$\Delta w_i = \eta x_i y$$
$$\Delta w_i = \eta (x_i - w_i) y$$

Fregnac et al. 1988; McLean & Palmer 1998; Fregnac & Shulz 1999

Hebbian learning

• Empirical evidence for 'supervised Hebbian learning' ocular dominance, orientation selectivity and orientation preference, interocular orientation disparity, and the relative dominance of ON and OFF responses



Learning transformation sequences





movie courtesy Wolfgang Einhauser

Hypothesis

- Simple cells correspond to learning correlations in space
- Complex cells correspond to learning correlations in time

Learning invariances from temporal continuity



Masquelier et al 2007 (see also Foldiak 1991)



Learning the invariance from temporal continuity



(a) S_1 units (n=73) that remain connected to C_1 unit # 1 after learning



(c) S_1 units (n=59) that remain connected to C_1 unit # 3 after learning



(b) S_1 units (n=35) that remain connected to C_1 unit # 2 after learning



(d) S_1 units (n=38) that remain connected to C_1 unit # 4 after learning

Slow feature analysis

$$\Delta_j := \Delta(y_j) := \langle \dot{y}_j^2 \rangle \quad is \ minimal \tag{1}$$

under the constraints

$$\langle y_j \rangle = 0 \qquad (zero mean) , \qquad (2)$$

$$\langle y_j^2 \rangle = 1 \qquad (unit \ variance) , \qquad (3)$$

$$\forall j' < j: \langle y_{j'} y_j \rangle = 0 \quad (decorrelation) , \qquad (4)$$

where the angle brackets indicate temporal averaging, i.e. $\langle f \rangle := \frac{1}{t_1 - t_0} \int_{t_0}^{t_1} f(t) dt$.

$$y_j(t) = g_j(\mathbf{x}(t)) = \mathbf{w}_j^T \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}(t)) = \mathbf{w}_j^T \mathbf{z}(t)$$
$$\Delta(y_j) = \langle \dot{y}_j^2 \rangle = \mathbf{w}_j^T \langle \dot{\mathbf{z}} \dot{\mathbf{z}}^T \rangle \mathbf{w}_j$$

Slow feature analysis



Effects of temporal associations on learning and memory





Wallis & Bulthoff '01

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Discrimination worst for prototypes that are part of the same training sequence





Wallis & Bulthoff '01

Learning in IT





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