

Texture Classification With High Order Local Pattern Descriptor: Local Derivative Pattern

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Abstract-This paper proposes a novel method for texture classification using high-order local pattern descriptor: Local Derivative Pattern (LDP). LDP is used to encode directional pattern features based on local derivative variations. The n th order LDP is proposed to encode the $(n-1)$ th order local derivative direction variations, which can capture more detailed information. The local texture information for a given pixel and its neighborhood is characterized by the texture units calculated in different ways, and the global textural aspect of an image is revealed by its texture spectrum. This paper uses the second, third and fourth order LDPs to classify the textures. For this classification, the texture images are taken from Brodatz album.

Keywords- Local Derivative Pattern, Texture spectrum, Texture classification.

I. INTRODUCTION

Texture has long been an important topic in image processing [1,2,3,7,8,9,13,18]. Methods of texture analysis are usually divided into two major categories [8,15]. The first is the structural approach, where texture is considered as a repetition of some primitives, with a specific rule of placement. The traditional Fourier spectrum analysis and wavelet based analysis [11] are often used to determine the primitives and placement rule. Several authors have applied these methods to texture classification and texture characterization with a certain degree of success [5]. The second major approach in texture analysis is statistical method. Its aim is to characterize the stochastic properties of the spatial distribution of gray levels in an image. The gray tone co-occurrence matrix is frequently used for such characteristics. A set of textural features derived from the co-occurrence matrix is widely used to extract textural information from digital images [2,4].

Study of patterns on textures is recognized as an important step in characterization and classification of textures. Textures are classified recently by various pattern methods: preprocessed images [18], long linear patterns [10,17], and edge direction movements [6], Avoiding Complex Patterns [16], marble texture description [14]. Textures are also described and classified by using various wavelet transforms: one based on primitive patterns [19], and another based on statistical parameters [12].

Recently, local descriptors have gained much attention in texture analysis for their robustness to illumination and pose variations. One of the local descriptors is local feature analysis (LFA) proposed by Penev et al. [25]. In LFA, a dense set of local-topological fields are developed to extract local features. Through discovering a description of one class objects with the derived local features, LFA is a purely second-order statistic method.

The recently proposed local binary pattern (LBP) features are originally designed for texture description [23,24,26]. The operator has been successfully applied to facial expression analysis [27], background modeling [22] and face recognition [21]. In face recognition, it achieves a much better performance than Eigenface, Bayesian and EBGM methods, providing a new way of investigating into the face representation. The idea behind using the LBP features is that a texture can be seen as a composition of micropatterns [21]. LBP in nature represents the first-order circular derivative pattern of images, a micropattern generated by the concatenation of the binary gradient directions. However, the first-order pattern fails to extract more detailed information contained in the input object. To the best of our knowledge, no high-order local pattern operator has been investigated for texture analysis. In fact, the high-order operator can capture more detailed discriminative information. A novel object descriptor, the high order Local Derivative Pattern (LDP) is proposed by Baochang Zhang et al [20]. LBP can conceptually considered as a non-directional first order local pattern, which is the binary result of the first order derivative image. The second order LDP can capture the change of derivative directions among local neighbors, and encode the turning point in a given direction. The present paper computes the texture unit(TU) and texture spectrum by using second, third and fourth order LDPs in 00, 450, 900and 1350 on original texture images. Later a classification method has been introduced to classify and to find accuracy rate of classification. For this purpose the present paper is organized as follows. Methodology is defined in the second section while in the third section results and discussions are given. The last section deals with conclusions.

II. METHODOLOGY

Derived from a general definition of texture in a local neighborhood, LBP is defined as a grayscale invariant texture measure and is a useful tool to model texture images. The LBP operator labels the pixels of an image by thresholding the 3×3 neighborhood of each pixel with the value of the central pixel and concatenating the results binomially to form a number. The thresholding function

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for the basic LBP can be formally represented in Fig. 1(a) and it is represented in equation 1.

$$E_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } V_i < V_0 \\ 1 & \text{if } V_i \geq V_0 \end{cases} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, 8 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

where $E_i, i=1, 2, \dots, 8$, is an 8-neighborhood point around E_0 as shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 1(b) shows an example of obtaining an LBP. The resultant LBP for this is 101001111.

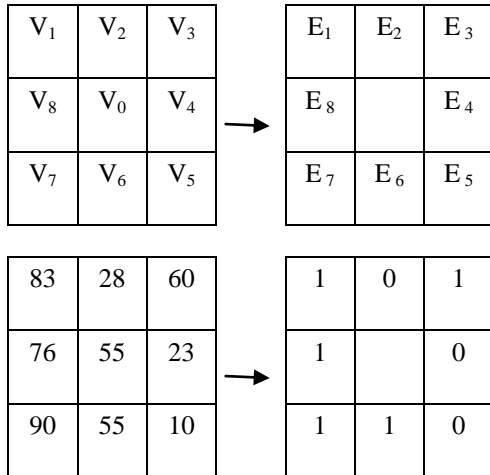


Fig. 1 (a)LBP representation(b)Example of obtaining the LBP

A. Local Derivate Pattern (Ldp)

Given an image $I(V)$, the first-order derivatives along $0^0, 45^0, 90^0$ and 135^0 directions are denoted as $I'_\alpha(V)$ where $\alpha=0^0, 45^0, 90^0$ and 135^0 . Let V_0 be a point in $I(V)$, and $V_i, i=1, \dots, 8$ be the neighboring point around V_0 (see Fig. 1(a)). The four first-order derivatives at $V=V_0$ are given in equations 2, 3, 4 and 5 for $0^0, 45^0, 90^0$ and 135^0 respectively[20].

$$I'_{0^0}(V_0) = I(V_0) - I(V_4) \quad (2)$$

$$I'_{45^0}(V_0) = I(V_0) - I(V_3) \quad (3)$$

$$I'_{90^0}(V_0) = I(V_0) - I(V_2) \quad (4)$$

$$I'_{135^0}(V_0) = I(V_0) - I(V_1) \quad (5)$$

The second-order directional LDP, $LDP^2_\alpha(V_0)$, in α direction at $V=V_0$ is defined as

$$LDP^2_\alpha(V_0) = \{f(I'_\alpha(V_0), I'_\alpha(V_1)), f(I'_\alpha(V_0), I'_\alpha(V_2)), \dots, f(I'_\alpha(V_0), I'_\alpha(V_7)), f(I'_\alpha(V_0), I'_\alpha(V_8))\} \quad (6)$$

where $f(\dots)$ is a binary coding function determining the types of local pattern transitions. It encodes the co-occurrence of two derivative directions at different neighboring pixels as

$$f(I'_\alpha(V_0), I'_\alpha(V_i)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } I'_\alpha(V_i)I'_\alpha(V_0) > 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } I'_\alpha(V_i)I'_\alpha(V_0) \leq 0 \end{cases} \quad i=1, 2, \dots, 8 \quad (7)$$

Finally, the second-order Local Derivative Pattern, $LDP^2(V)$, is defined as the concatenation of the four 8-bit directional LDPs as given in equation 8.

$$LDP^2(V) = \{LDP^2_\alpha(V) | \alpha = 0^0, 45^0, 90^0, 135^0\} \quad (8)$$

To calculate the third-order Local Derivative Pattern, we first compute the second-order derivatives along $0^0, 45^0, 90^0$ and 135^0 directions, denoted as $I''_\alpha(V)$ where $\alpha=0^0, 45^0, 90^0, 135^0$. The third-order Local Derivative Pattern, $LDP^3_\alpha(V_0)$, in α direction at $V=V_0$ is defined as

$$LDP^3_\alpha(V_0) = \{f(I''_\alpha(V_0), I''_\alpha(V_1)), f(I''_\alpha(V_0), I''_\alpha(V_2)), \dots, f(I''_\alpha(V_0), I''_\alpha(V_7)), f(I''_\alpha(V_0), I''_\alpha(V_8))\} \quad (9)$$

where $f(\dots)$ is defined as

$$f(I''_\alpha(V_0), I''_\alpha(V_i)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } I''_\alpha(V_i)I''_\alpha(V_0) > 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } I''_\alpha(V_i)I''_\alpha(V_0) \leq 0 \end{cases} \quad i=1, 2, \dots, 8 \quad (10)$$

$$LDP^3(V) = \{LDP^3_\alpha(V) | \alpha = 0^0, 45^0, 90^0, 135^0\} \quad (11)$$

In a general formulation, the n^{th} order LDP is a binary string describing gradient trend changes in a local region of directional $(n-1)^{th}$ order derivative images $I^{n-1}_\alpha(V)$ as

$$LDP^n_\alpha(V_0) = \{f(I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_0), I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_1)), f(I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_0), I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_2)), \dots, f(I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_0), I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_7)), f(I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_0), I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_8))\} \quad (12)$$

where $I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_0)$ is the $(n-1)^{th}$ order derivative in α direction at $V=V_0$. $f(I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_0), I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_i))$ is defined in (11), which encodes the $(n-1)^{th}$ -order gradient transitions into binary patterns, providing an extra order pattern information on the local region.

$$f(I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_0), I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_i)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_i)I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_0) > 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_i)I^{n-1}_\alpha(V_0) \leq 0 \end{cases} \quad i=1, 2, \dots, 8 \quad (13)$$

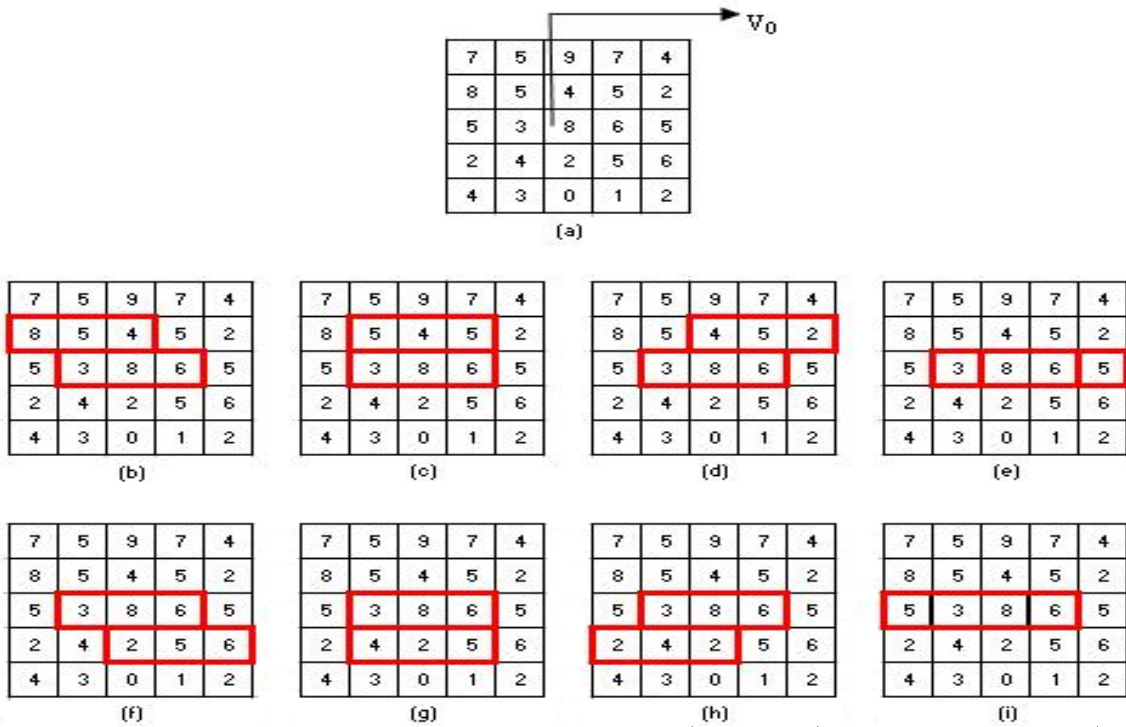


Fig. 2. Example to obtain the third order LDP(a) Original image (b) $f(I_0^-(V_0), I_0^-(V_1))$ (c) $f(I_0^-(V_0), I_0^-(V_2))$ (d) $f(I_0^-(V_0), I_0^-(V_3))$ (e) $f(I_0^-(V_0), I_0^-(V_4))$ (f) $f(I_0^-(V_0), I_0^-(V_5))$ (g) $f(I_0^-(V_0), I_0^-(V_6))$ (h) $f(I_0^-(V_0), I_0^-(V_7))$ (i) $f(I_0^-(V_0), I_0^-(V_8))$.

B. Algorithm For Evaluating Percentage Of Correct Classification On Images Using Local Derivative Pattern (LDP)

Begin

- i. Take input Brodatz Textures $T_k, k= 1$ to 12.
- ii. Subdivide the T_k , into 16 equal sized blocks. Name them as subimage $T_{kSi}, k=1$ to 12 and $i = 1$ to 16.
- iii. Select at random, a training sample sub image from each $T_k, k= 1$ to 12 and denote it as T_{kSj} where 'j' is any of the sample pieces 1 to 16 of a particular T_k .
- iv. Calculate the LDP and Texture Spectrum for the second, third and fourth order LDPs by moving the 3×3 matrix across the sample with overlapping (Convolving), for T_{kSj} .
- v. To obtain Texture Spectrum value of testing subimage repeat step 3 for $T_{kSm}, k= 1$ to 12, $m=1$ to 16 ($m \neq j$).
- vi. To classify a subimage T_{kSm} , the distance between the training set and the testing samples is measured.
- vii. The tested set falls into the Class $k, k= 1$ to 12, such that $D(k)$ is minimum among all the $D(k), k=1$ to 12.
- viii. w for each texture $T_k, k=1$ to 12, we evaluate the percentage of correct classification (PCC) and list the output in the form of table.

End

$$PCC_k = \frac{\text{Number of subimages correctly classified}}{\text{Number of subimages considered for testing}} \times 100$$

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The Table 1 shows the percentage of correct classification (PCC) on 12 Brodatz textures [28] using original images derived from the second, third and fourth order LDPs respectively. The tables clearly indicate that for second order LDP the PCC is around 92% which has decreased to 83% for third order LDP and fourth order LDP. By using second order LDP except the textures D_1, D_4, D_5 and D_9 , the remaining eight textures showing a PCC of 100%. But it is little bit different for third and fourth order LDPs. The PCC is also shown with the help of a graph in Fig. 3.

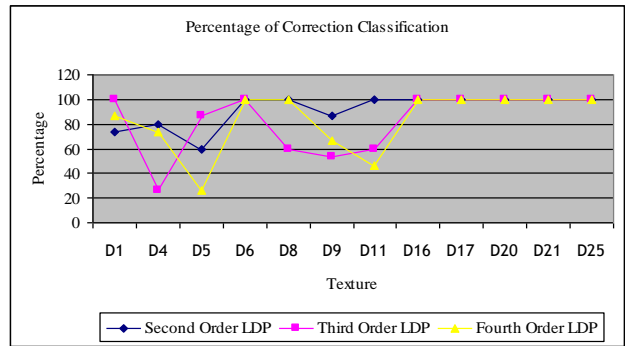


Fig. 3. Percentage of Correct Classification of Brodatz Textures

IV. CONCLUSIONS

This paper proposed a new method of texture classification using high order local patterns: Local Derivative Patterns (LDP). The second, third and fourth order LDP in the four directions i.e. 00, 450, 900 and 1350 are calculated from which texture spectrum is obtained. By using this texture spectrum the percentage of correct classification is obtained. The LDP extract high order local information by encoding various distinctive spatial relationships contained in a given local region. The experimental results clearly indicate that the percentage of correct classification for second order LDP is good when compared with third and fourth order LDP.

Table 1: Percentage of Correct Classification for the Brodatz Textures

Texture	Second Order LDP	Third Order LDP	Fourth Order LDP
D ₁	73.33	100.00	86.67
D ₄	80.00	26.67	73.33
D ₅	60.00	86.67	26.67
D ₆	100.00	100.00	100.00
D ₈	100.00	60.00	100.00
D ₉	86.67	53.33	66.67
D ₁₁	100.00	60.00	46.67
D ₁₆	100.00	100.00	100.00
D ₁₇	100.00	100.00	100.00
D ₂₀	100.00	100.00	100.00
D ₂₁	100.00	100.00	100.00
D ₂₅	100.00	100.00	100.00
Avg.	91.67	82.22	83.33

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