## HAAR-like features for images

## Images



- digit images are scanned hand written digits


## Digit scan dataset

- 60,000 scans
- 10 classes : 0,1,2,...,9
- roughly uniform distributed
- each scanned image $28 x 28$ pixels square
- comes split into (train, test)
- no cross validation
- very learnable: most algorithms score 5\% or less error
- http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/mnist/


## Rectangle black level



- rectangle $A B C D$ can act like an image "mask" : it selects/cuts that rectangle out of an image
- or of any image


## Rectangle black level



- a given set $S$ of rectangles cuts $S$ different masks for an image


## Rectangle black level



- for each rectangle $r=A B C D$ on image $X$ we can compute a "black value"
- blackren $(X)=$ number of black pixels in the mask cut by $r$ in image $X$
- we can compute black $\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{r}}$ ) efficiently, if we compute in the right order!
- dynamic programing


## Vertical, horizontal features for a rectangle



- horizontal feature
$\Delta_{\text {rr }}(X)=$ black $\left._{\text {r-eft }}\right)-$ black $_{\text {r-ight }}(X)$
$=\operatorname{black}_{\text {AmcN }}(X)-\operatorname{black}_{\text {MBnD }}(X)$
- vertical feature
$\Delta_{\text {hv }}(X)=$ black $_{\text {r-top }}()$ - black $_{\text {r-bottom }}(X)$
$=\operatorname{black}_{\text {ABuV }}(X)$ - blackuvcD $(X)$
- $|S|$ rectangles, 2 features each $\Rightarrow 2|S|$ features extracted (from each image)
- if we also store the black $(X)$ value, thats 3 features/rectangle (blackr $\left.(X), \Delta_{h r}(X), \Delta_{h v}(X)\right)$ for $3|S|$ features extracted.


## How to compute black $(X)$ efficiently



- first compute it for all rectangles cornered in O ( $\mathrm{A}=\mathrm{O}$ ) fix image corner.
- That is compute blackr $(\mathrm{X})$ for each pixel $D$
- then every rectangle $r=A B C D$ can be computed in constant time from O cornered rectangles
- black(rectangle ABCD) = black(OTYD) - black(OTXB) black(OZYC) + black(OZXA)


## O-corner rectangles computation



- $r=O B C D$ determined by $D$
- naively one can compute all blackr $(X)=\operatorname{black}_{D}(X)$ for all rectangles as
- for $\mathrm{i}=1: \mathrm{n}$
- for $\mathrm{j}=1: \mathrm{n}$

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { - D=Dij pixel } \\
& \text { - black } \\
& \text { black pij }(X)=\text { count of }
\end{aligned}
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- total $O\left(n^{4}\right)$ running time
- $\mathrm{n}=$ size of the square image


## O-corner rectangles : dynamic programing



- $r=O B C D$ determined by $D$
- dynamic programing computes a rectangle from the rectangle computed already
- for $i=1: n$
- for j=1:n
- D=Dij pixel
black_Dij $(X)=$
black_Di,j-1 $(X) \quad+$
black_Di-1,j$(X) \quad-$
black_D $\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{i}-1, j-1}(\mathrm{X})+$
black(pixel_Dij, X)
- total $O\left(n^{2}\right)$ running time
- much better

