

# Detecting Anomalous Structures By Convolutional Sparse Models

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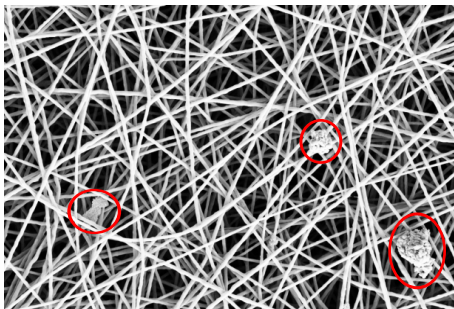
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# Anomaly Detection in Images

- We address the problem of detecting anomalies in images
- We assume that images acquired under normal conditions are characterized by specific structures
- Regions that do not conform to these structures are considered anomalies



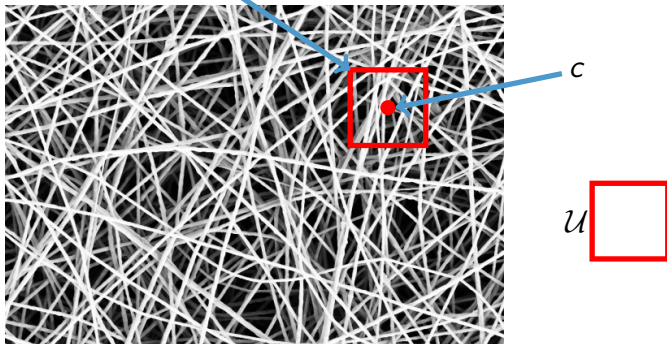
- Problem Formulation
- Convolutional Sparse Models
- Anomaly Detection
- Experiments

# PROBLEM FORMULATION

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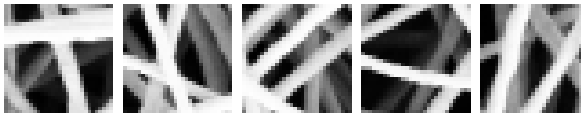
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$$\Pi_c s \sim \mathcal{P}_N$$



- We assume that anomalous patches are generated by  $\mathcal{P}_A$

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- The process generating anomalies  $\mathcal{P}_A \neq \mathcal{P}_N$  is unknown

# Our Approach to Anomaly Detection

## Our Assumptions

- A training set  $\mathcal{T}$  of normal images is available
- No training samples for anomalous data are given

## Our Approach

- Learn a model  $\mathcal{M}$  approximating patches generated by  $\mathcal{P}_N$
- Detect as anomalous any patch that does not conform to  $\mathcal{M}$ 
  - We define an indicator vector  $\mathbf{g}(c)$  that measure the degree to which  $\mathcal{M}$  fits each patch  $\Pi_{cs}$
  - We detect anomalies as outliers w.r.t. the distribution of indicator-vectors

# CONVOLUTIONAL SPARSE MODELS



## Main Assumptions

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# Convolutional Sparse Models

To make the approximation (1) accurate for small values of  $M$ , each image  $s$  is preprocessed as

$$s = s_l + s_h$$

- $s_l$ : low-frequency components
- $s_h$ : high-frequency components

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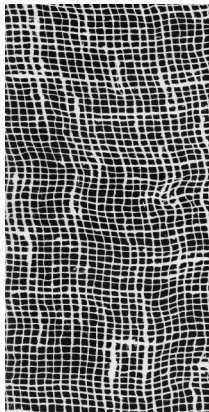
- Filter  $\{d_m\}$  are learned by solving the optimization problem over a training set  $\{s^{(t)}\}$  of normal images

$$\arg \min_{\{d_m\}, \{x_m^{(t)}\}} \sum_{s^{(t)} \in \mathcal{T}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_m d_m * x_m^{(t)} - s_h^{(t)} \right\|_2^2 + \lambda \sum_m \|x_m^{(t)}\|_1 \right]$$

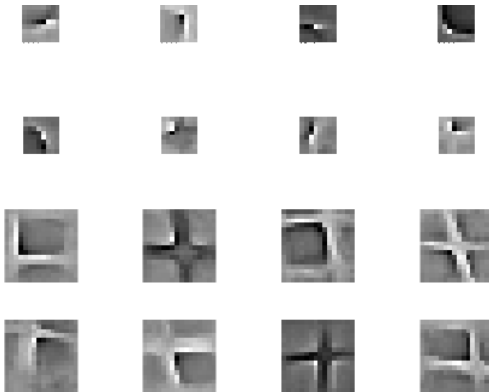
- Parameter  $\lambda > 0$  balances the reconstruction error and the sparsity of the coefficient maps
- This problem is solved via an efficient formulation in the Fourier Domain by the Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers

# Learning the Filters for Modeling Normal Patches

Training images



Learned filters



- The learned filters  $\{d_m\}$  are used to compute the coefficient maps  $\{x_m\}$  corresponding to an image  $s$
- This operation is referred to as the sparse coding and it is performed by solving the optimization problem

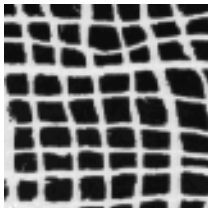
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# Sparse Coding

Test Image



Feature maps



Filters



# ANOMALY DETECTION

# Indicator Vector

For each patch of an image  $s$  we compute an indicator vector  $\mathbf{g}(c)$  to quantitatively assess the extent to which  $\Pi_c s$  is consistent with normal patches:

$$s = s_l + s_h$$

$$\mathbf{g}(c) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{g}_l(c) \\ \mathbf{g}_h(c) \end{bmatrix}$$

Sample Moments

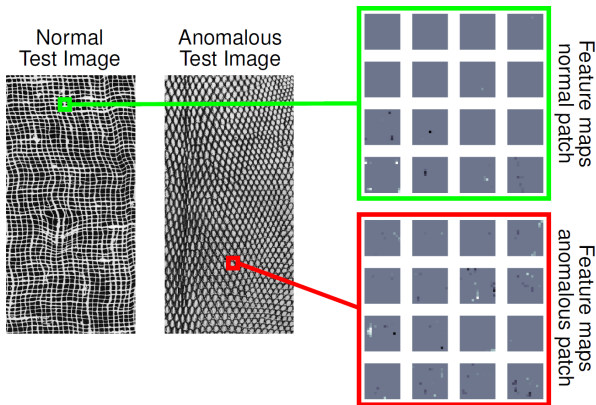
Convolutional Sparse Models

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- The coefficient maps corresponding to the highlighted regions have the same  $\ell^1$  norm
- The spread of the coefficients across the feature maps has to be taken into account

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$$\mathbf{g}_h(c) = \begin{bmatrix} \|\Pi_c(\sum_m d_m * x_m - s_h)\|_2^2 \\ \sum_m \|\Pi_c x_m\|_1 \\ \sum_m \|\Pi_c x_m\|_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Indicator Vector in Low Frequencies

- To detect anomalies affecting the low frequencies components  $s_l$  we do not learn a model
- We simply consider the sample moments of the patches from  $s_l$

$$\mathbf{g}_l(c) = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mu}(\Pi_c s_l) \\ \hat{\sigma}(\Pi_c s_l) \end{bmatrix}$$

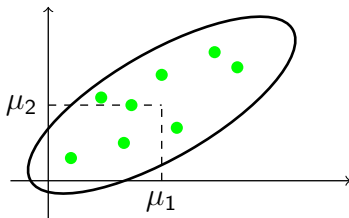


# Anomaly Detection

- For the indicator  $\mathbf{g}(\cdot)$  we build a confidence region

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- The Chebyshev's inequality ensures that a normal patch falls outside  $R_\gamma$  with probability  $\leq 2/\gamma^2$
- Anomalies are detected as

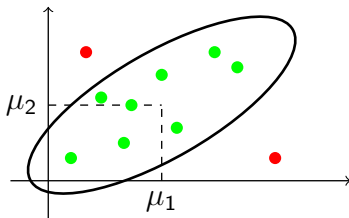
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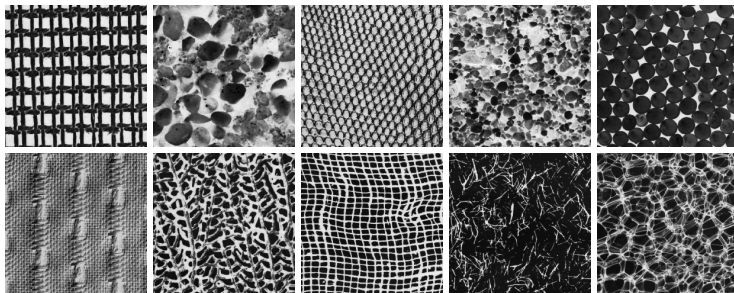
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# EXPERIMENTS

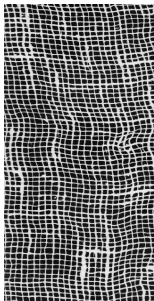
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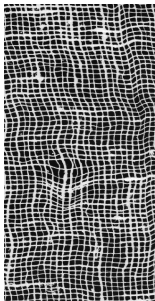
- Data are  $15 \times 15$  patches extracted from 25 texture images characterized by a specific structure
- Each texture image is split in two halves
  - Each left half is used to learned filters  $\{d_m\}$
  - The right halves are used as test images

# Test Images

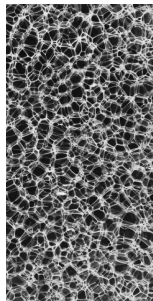
Training  
Image



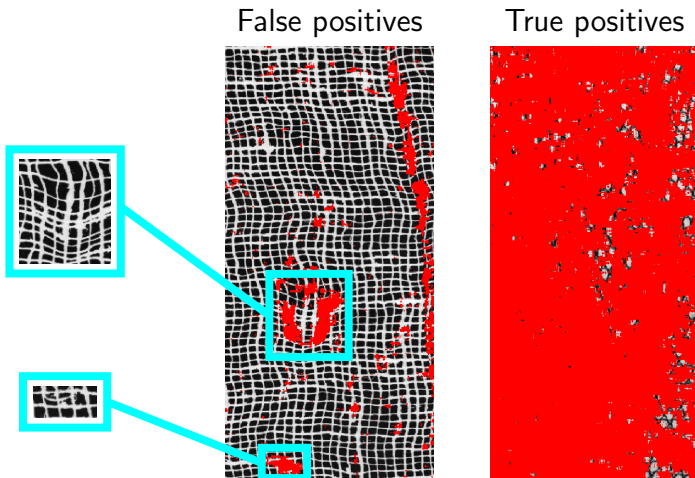
Normal Test  
Image



Anomalous Test  
Images



# Anomaly Detection Example





# Figures of Merit

- **FPR**: the false positive rate, i.e the percentage of normal patches labeled as anomalous
- **TPR**: the true positive rate, i.e. the percentage of anomalous patches correctly detected

Both FPR and TPR depend on parameter  $\gamma$  used in the definition of the confidence region  $R_\gamma$

$$R_\gamma = \left\{ \xi \in \mathbb{R}^5, \text{ s.t. } \sqrt{(\xi - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\xi - \mu)} \leq \gamma \right\}$$

# Considered Methods

The following approaches are considered to analyze the high-frequency components  $s_h$  and build the vector  $\mathbf{g}_h$ :

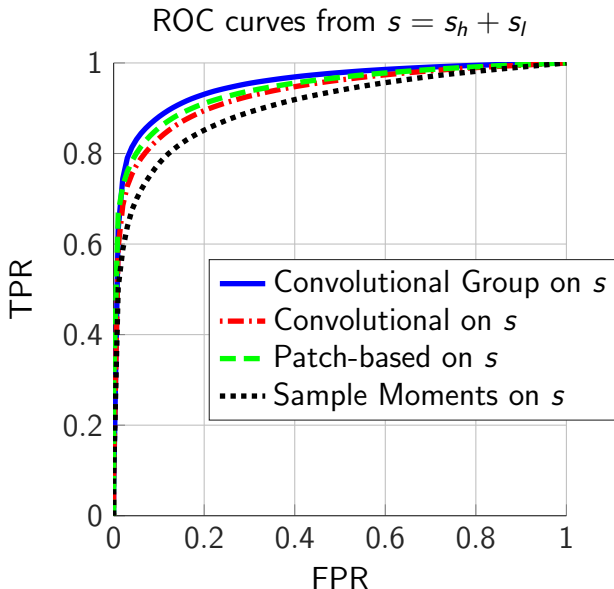
- **Convolutional group**: the proposed approach
- **Convolutional**: only the reconstruction error and sparsity are monitored
- **Patch-Based**: a standard sparse model instead of a convolutional one is exploited. The indicator vector includes the reconstruction error and the sparsity
- **Sample Moments**: no model is used to approximate normal patches. We monitor only the sample moments of the patch from  $s_h$

The low-frequency components are analyzed by monitoring the sample moments of the patch from  $s_l$

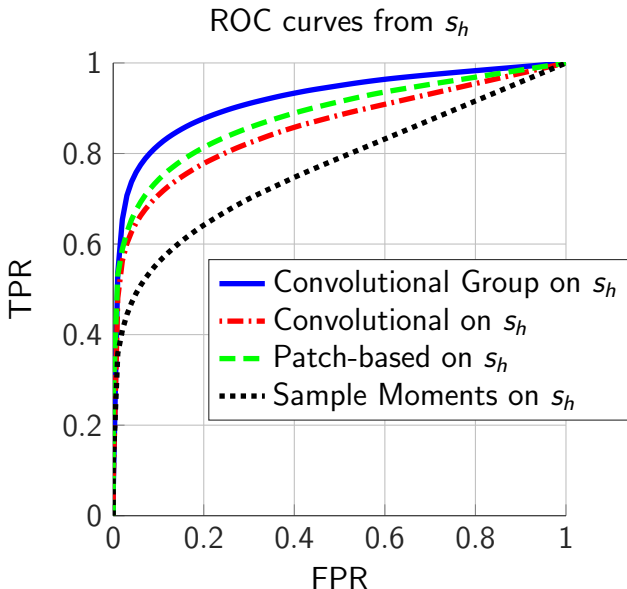
# Experiments performed

- In Experiment 1 we consider the whole spectrum and we detect anomalies by monitoring both  $s_l$  and  $s_h$
- In Experiment 2 we analyze only the high frequency components  $s_h$ , to assess the performance of the detector when it is based exclusively on convolutional sparse models

# Experiment 1



# Experiment 2



# CONCLUSIONS

- Our experiments show that
  - convolutional sparse models are very effective at capturing local structures in high frequency components of images
  - the local-group sparsity term is extremely effective in discriminating normal patches from anomalous ones
- Our approach has two main advantages with respect to the one based on patch-based sparsity:
  - the filters may have different size, while it is not trivial exploits multiscale dictionary in a sparsity model
  - the patch size can be arbitrarily increase at a negligible computational overhead

# QUESTIONS?