



# Motion pattern-based Image Features for Glaucoma Detection from Retinal Images

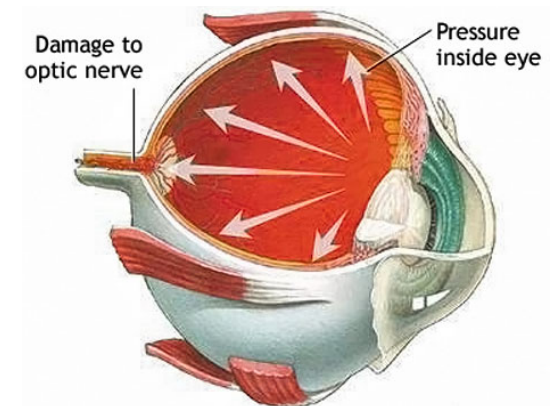
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# Agenda

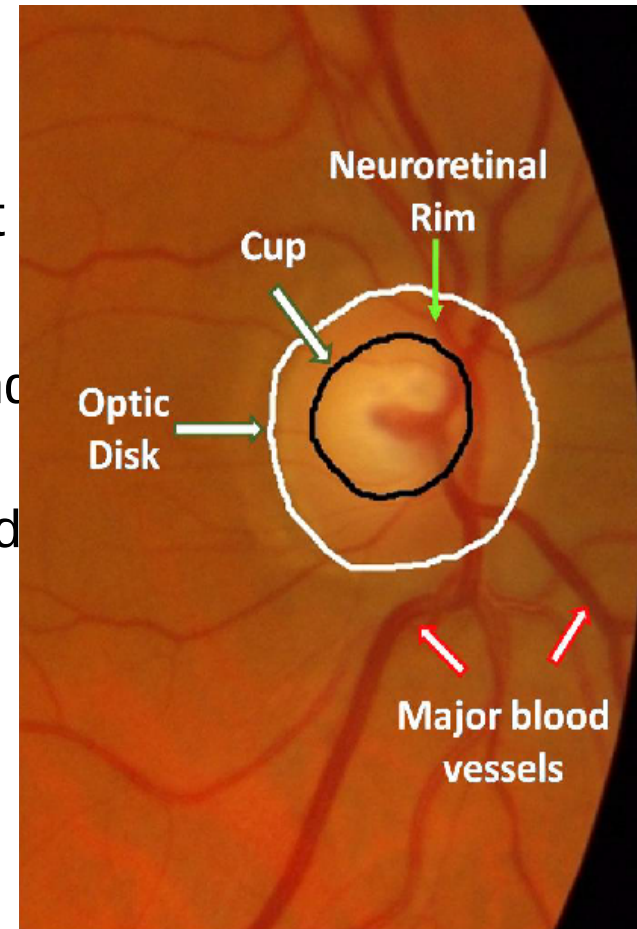
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- **Proposed Method**
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  - GMP for Glaucoma Detection
- **Experiments**
  - Dataset
  - Results





# Glaucoma Detection

- Glaucoma is an eye disorder that causes irreversible loss of vision
  - affects the Optic Nerve in retina
- In a retinal image, the region of interest is the Optic Disk (OD)
  - **Disk** – is marked by the outer boundary of OD (white)
  - **Cup** – is marked by the inner boundary of OD (black)
- *Glaucoma* manifests as structural deformations in OD





# Visual Symptoms of Glaucoma

- *Rim* enlargement of optic disc  
 • *Rim* thinning of optic disc

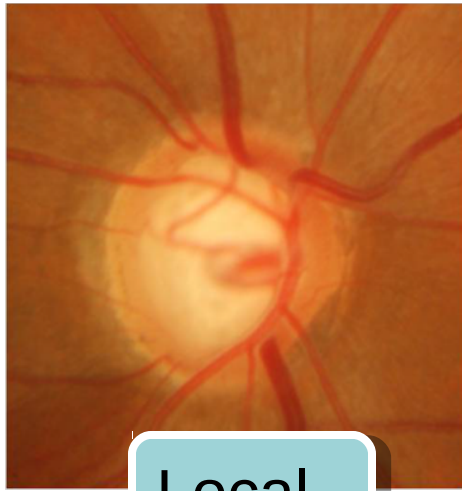
**RIM THINNING**

- *Peripapillary* atrophy of retinal cells around optic disk  
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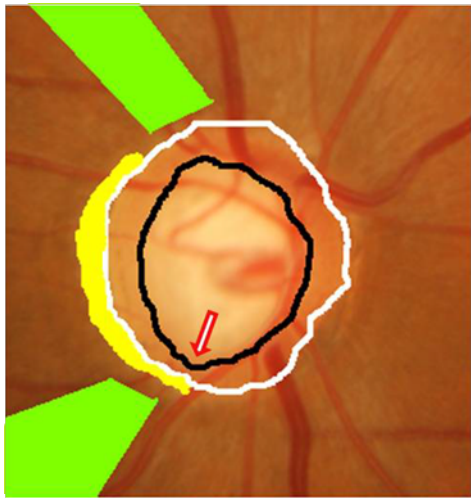
**PERIPAPILLARY ATROPHY**

- *Retinal Nerve Fiber Layer (RNFL)* Defect of the nerve fiber layer (green)  
 – most subtle indicator of glaucoma

**RNFL DEFECT**

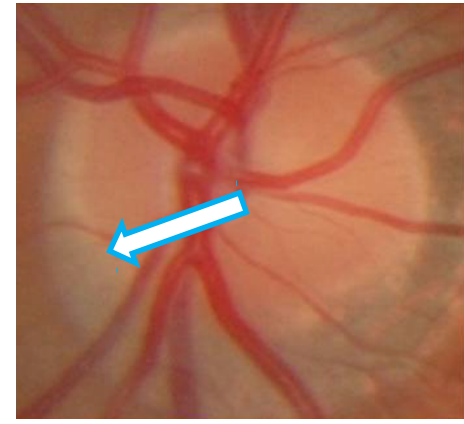
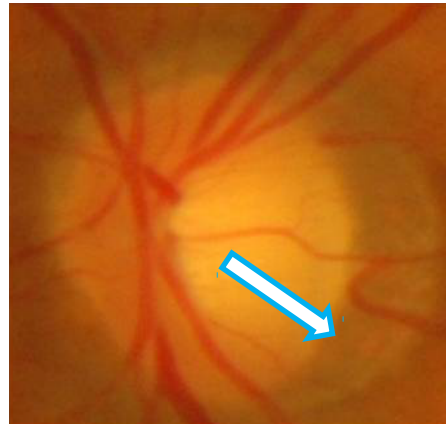
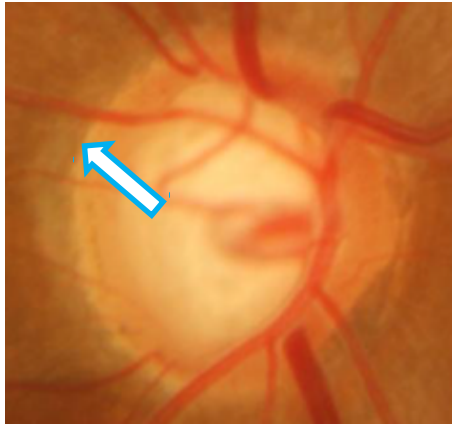


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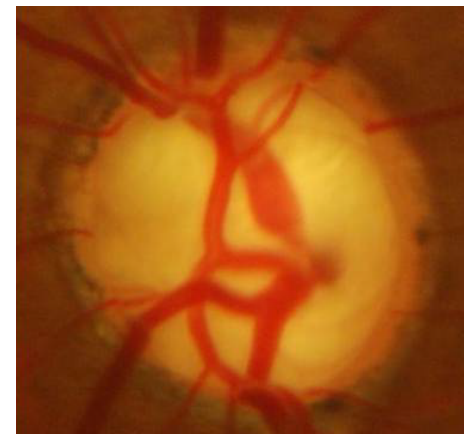
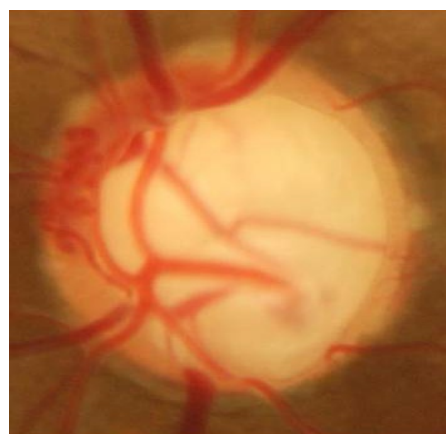




## More Examples of Atrophy



## More Examples of rim thinning



# Glaucoma Detection – Background



## Local Approaches

Aim at **measuring the cup to disc ratio** after segmenting the cup and disk regions

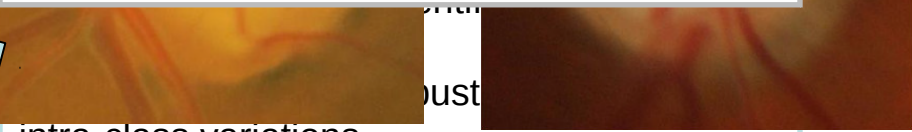
- ❖ *Joshi et al. (2011)*
  - Chan Vese model (CV model) with no shape constraints to segment disk
  - R-bends (relevant bends) and pallor information for cup segmentation
- ❖ *Liu et al. (2009)*
  - level set method followed by ellipse fitting for disk segmentation
  - level set based cup region segmentation followed by ellipse fitting

+ Morphological changes (rim thinning) are captured well, provided segmentation is accurate  
 - Accurate identification of these ill-defined boundaries is a difficult task

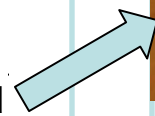
## Global Approaches

Aim at **deriving global image features**

- ❖ *Bock et al. (2007)* compare and select from
  - pixel intensity values
  - texture using Gabor filters
  - spectral features - FFT coefficients
  - histogram model
- ❖ *Bock et al. (2010)*
  - pixel intensity values , FFT and B-spline coefficients to derive probabilistic output
- ❖ *Meier et al. (2010)*
  - uses same features as [Bock 2007]
  - additional pre-processing to remove disease independent variations



intra-class variations





# Challenges

- Encode *subtle local deformations* in anatomical shape
- Robustness to *subtle changes in intensity distribution*
- *Availability of annotated data*

# Our Strategy

- To encode global and local image variations in a unified way
- To learn the 'normal' cases and detect glaucoma as a deviation from normal

# Our Proposal

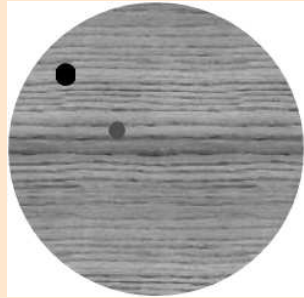
Leverage a *novel Image Representation*



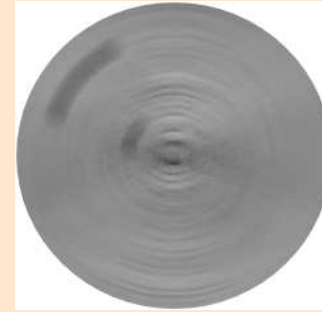
# Our approach for Glaucoma Detection

- Leverage the GMP image representation proposed in [*Deepak et al 2012*] for abnormality (bright lesion) detection
  - Derived by inducing motion to a given image
- Modify and extend this representation for handling abnormalities in the form of *structural deformations*

# Review of the GMP representation



On rotation



Original Image

- Dull and dark objects on a textured background

Result

Rotation serves to

- Blur the background
- Smear and extend the objects (lesions)

Tuning parameters

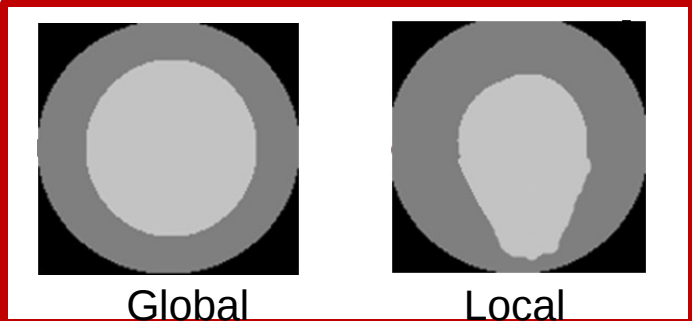
- Rotation step and extent
- Coalescing function



# GMP for Glaucoma Detection

Model of Optic disc as a bright circle (cup) with a grey surround

Normal case

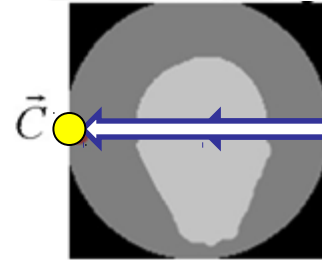
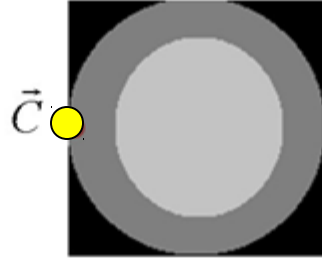
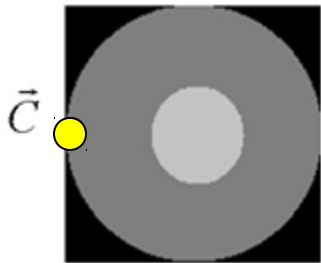


Global

Local

With rim thinning

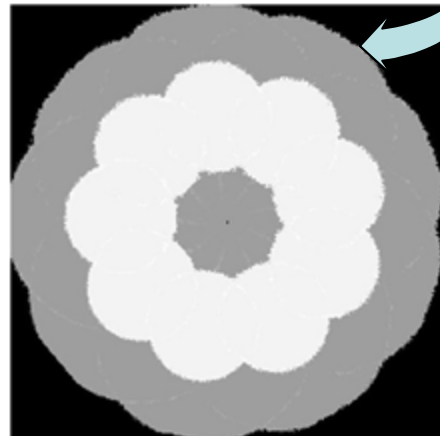
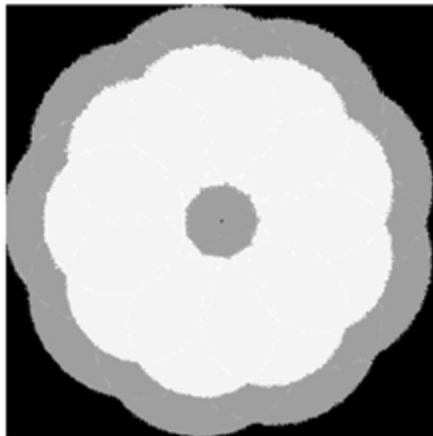
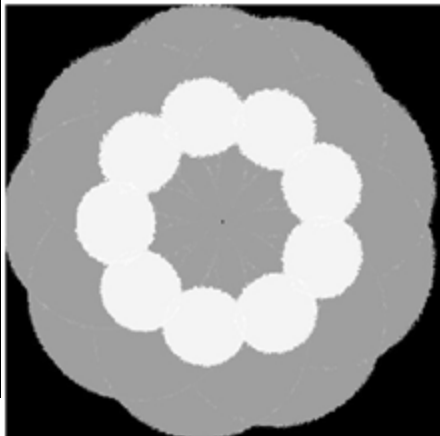
Selection of Pivot Point



Shifting the pivot to the periphery

On rotation

Abnormality is accentuated





# GMP for Glaucoma Detection

Given  $I$ , its GMP-based representation is  $\xrightarrow{\text{Coalescing function}}$

$$I_{GMP}(\bar{p}) = \max_{n=[0...(N-1)]} R_{\theta_n} (I(\bar{p} - \bar{c}))$$

$\bar{p}$  denotes a location in  $I$ ;  $c$  is the pivot location

$R_{\theta}$  is a rotation matrix

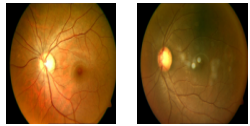
$n$  is the number of frames generated by applying rotation

$\theta_n = n\theta_o$  denotes the extent of rotation in the  $n^{\text{th}}$  frame,  $N = \frac{360^\circ}{\theta_o}$

$$I^{m \times m} \xrightarrow{R_{\theta_n}} I_{\theta_n}^{2m \times 2m}$$

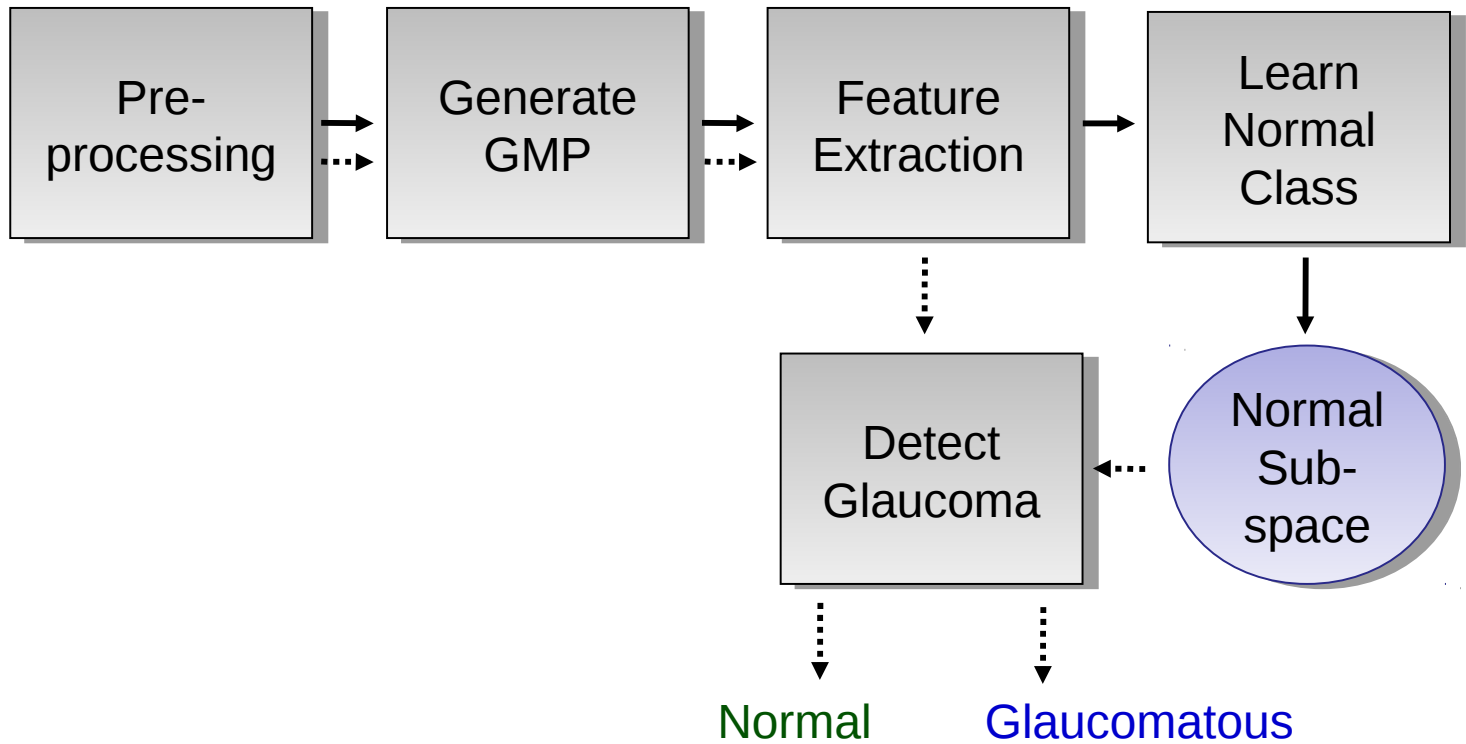


# Glaucoma detection - Workflow



Normal images

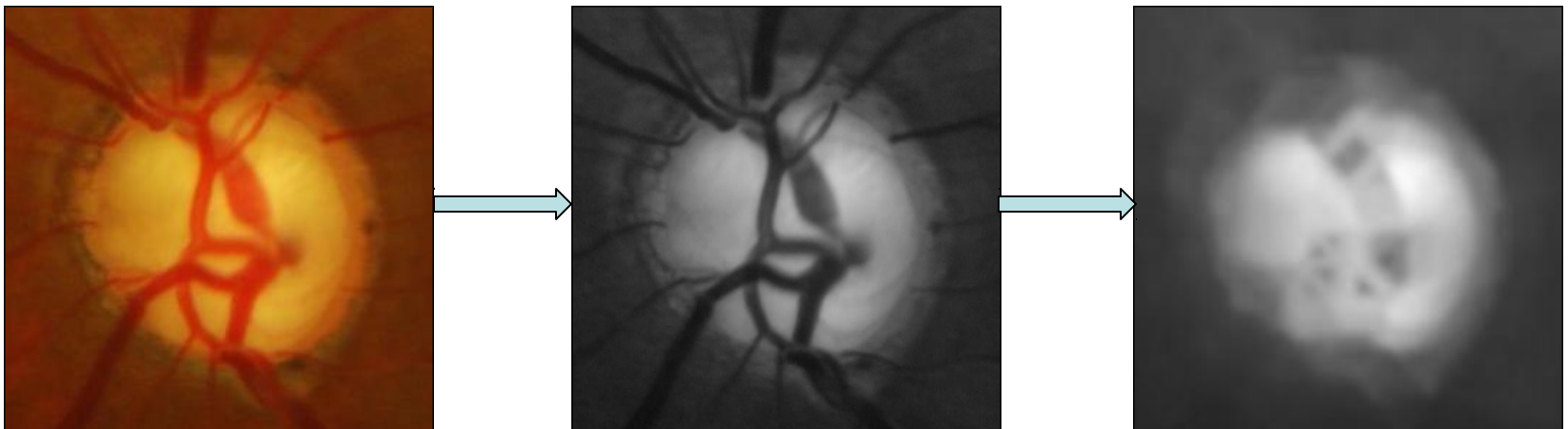
New image



# Pre-processing

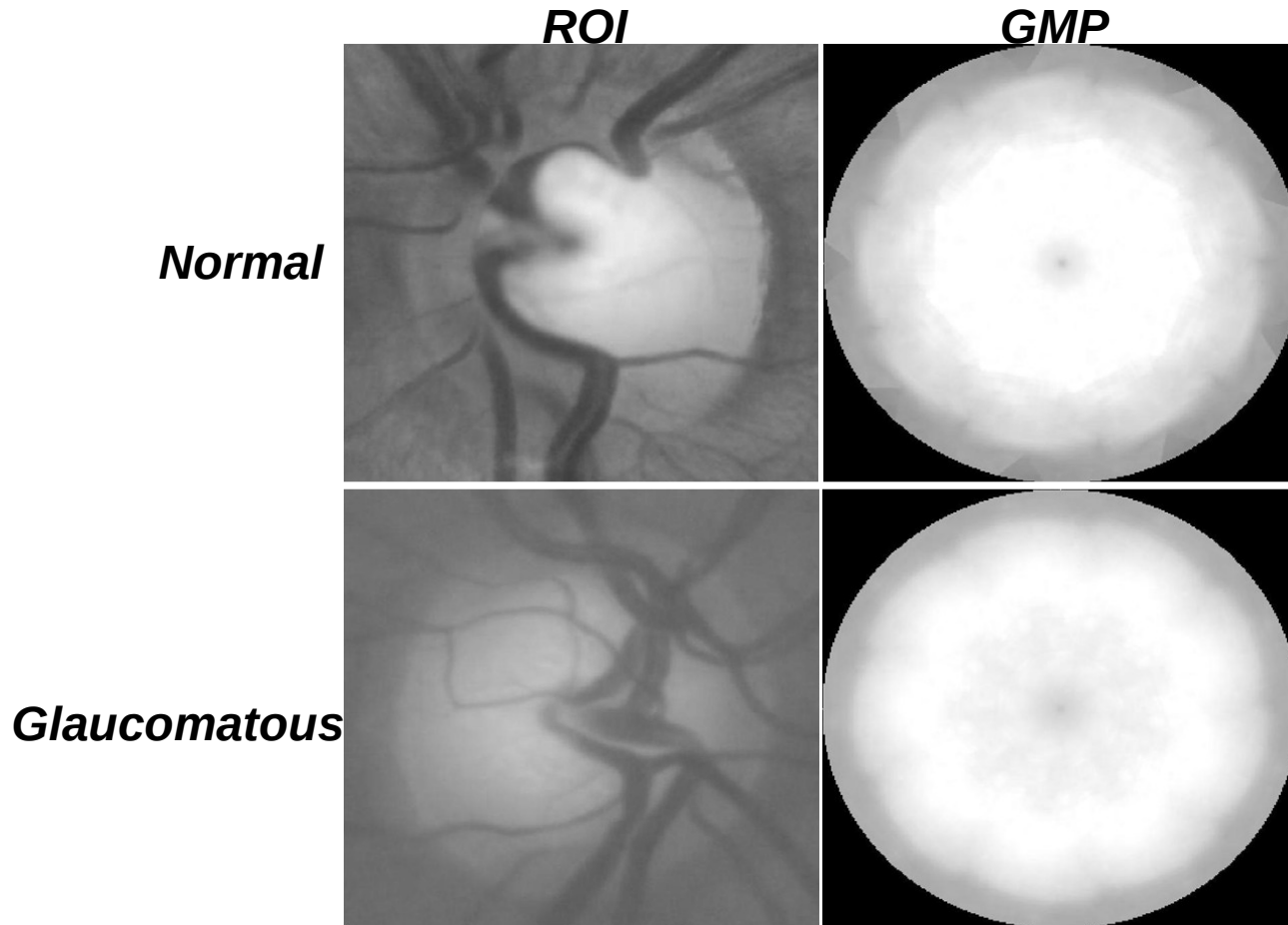
Given a retinal image

1. Extract a region of interest around the optic disk [7]
  - the green channel is used for further processing
1. Generate a vessel-free image by roughly segmenting the blood vessels and suppressing them using in-painting [8]





# GMP for retinal images



Rotation step:  $40^\circ$ ; Extent of rotation:  $360^\circ$



# Feature Extraction

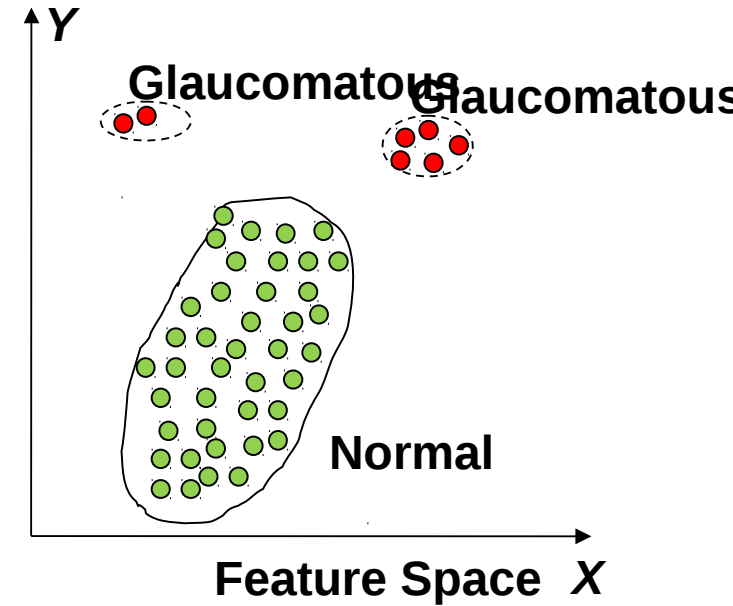
Two features were considered:

- **Radon Transform Based Descriptor**
  - GMP is projected in several directions and the results are concatenated to create a feature vector
- **Histogram of Intensity Clusters (HIC)**
  - An intensity based clustering is performed for all GMP responses using k-means algorithm
  - A histogram of intensities for each ROI corresponding to these clusters is used as the feature vector



# Classification

- Deviation from **Normal** is considered as **Glaucomatous**
- Feature vectors are used to construct the normal subspace
- Classification is based on Principal Component Analysis Data Description (pca-dd) [1]
  - Feature vectors are projected to D-dimensions and reconstruction error is computed
  - A threshold on the reconstruction error is applied for glaucoma detection





# Experiments and Results

## DATASET

- 1186 images from 596 patients
  - Each image were marked by 3 experts as Normal, Suspect, Confirmed
  - A gold standard was found using *majority* voting

### Distribution (Gold Standard)

Normal

Suspect

Confirmed

624

234

328

*Set 1* – Three classes (Normal, Suspect and Confirmed)

*Set 2* – Two classes (Normal and Confirmed)



# Experiments and Results

## PARAMETER VALUES

### **GMP**

### **Feature Vectors**

### **RTD**

- 6 projections ( $\alpha = 0^\circ, 30^\circ, 60^\circ, 90^\circ, 120^\circ, 150^\circ$ )
- Each projection is averaged to generate 6 bins
- Resultant feature vector of length 36

### **HIC**

- $k=6$  is used for k-Means clustering

### **Classifier**

- Feature vectors are projected to  $D=6$  dimensions
- Multiple thresholds are applied on reconstruction error to compute classification performance



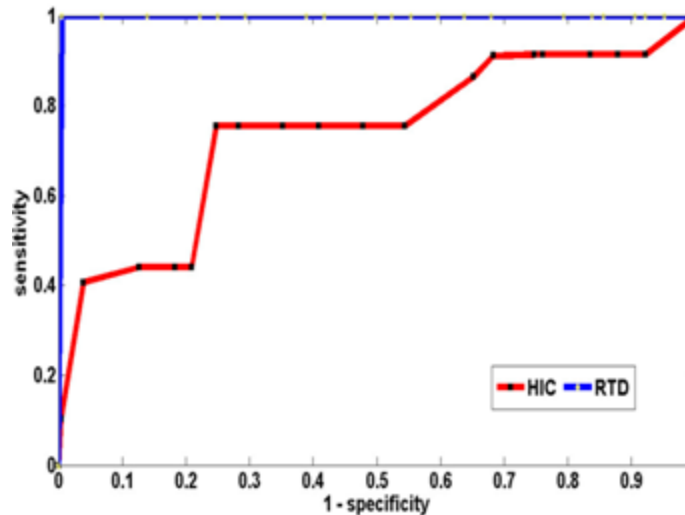
# Classification Performance

Training set :  
324 Normal

- Set 1
- Set 2
  - 862 images: 300 normal, 234 suspect, 328 confirmed cases
  - 628 images: 300 normal, 328 confirmed cases

Descriptor	Sensitivity	Specificity	Area under ROC
RTD	0.97	0.98	0.96
HIC	0.84	0.68	0.81

Receiver operating characteristic





# Comparison against related Method

Method	No of Images	Sensitivity	Specificity	Area under ROC
<b>Proposed (RTD)</b>	<b>952</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>0.98</b>
<b>Bock et al. [4]</b> Global feature-based method	<b>575</b>	<b>0.73</b>	<b>0.85</b>	<b>0.88</b>



# Conclusion

- A global-feature based approach was proposed for glaucoma detection from retinal images
- The Generalized Moment Pattern representation was *extended for detecting structural deformations* in Optic Disk
- Evaluation of glaucoma detection on a large retinal image dataset establishes the method is successful
  - Even *suspect (subtle)* cases of glaucoma are detected successfully



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