

~~Digital Signal Proc.~~

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Digital Image Processing

Lecture 6

Spatial Filters

SPATIAL FILTERING (Important)

1-D Signal Processing (Filter in time domain or the frequency domain)

$$y = x * h$$

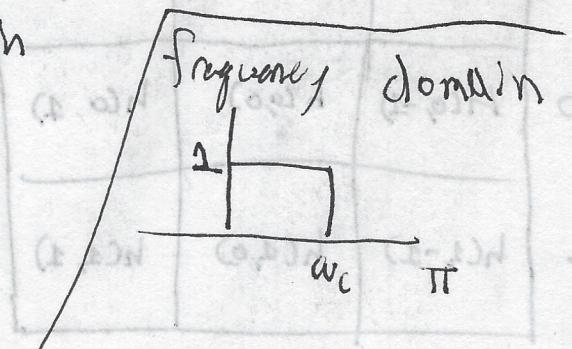
↓

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dots & [!] & [!] & \dots & \dots & \dots &] \end{bmatrix} \quad x[k]$$

$$Y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X[k] h[n-k]$$

recall water filters,
FIR, adaptive filters.

Today \rightarrow 2D analog of time domain



Small Filter, slide across Image for
A/I output

IN 2-D the Analog to "TIME Domain"
"SPATIAL Domain"

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1D filters

$$[-1 \quad -1]$$

1-D

\nwarrow
underline 2nd zero element
entity

Grid of filter coefficients

$h(-1, -1)$	$h(-1, 0)$	$h(-1, 1)$
$h(-1, 0)$	$h(0, 0)$	$h(0, 1)$
$h(-1, 1)$	$h(0, +1)$	$h(1, 1)$

2-D

\rightarrow All of this is a lot more tedious
than it looks

$y \rightarrow$	-1	0	1
$x \downarrow$	-1	0	1
-1	$h(-1, -1)$	$h(-1, 0)$	$h(-1, 1)$
0	$h(0, -1)$	$h(0, 0)$	$h(0, 1)$
1	$h(1, -1)$	$h(1, 0)$	$h(1, 1)$

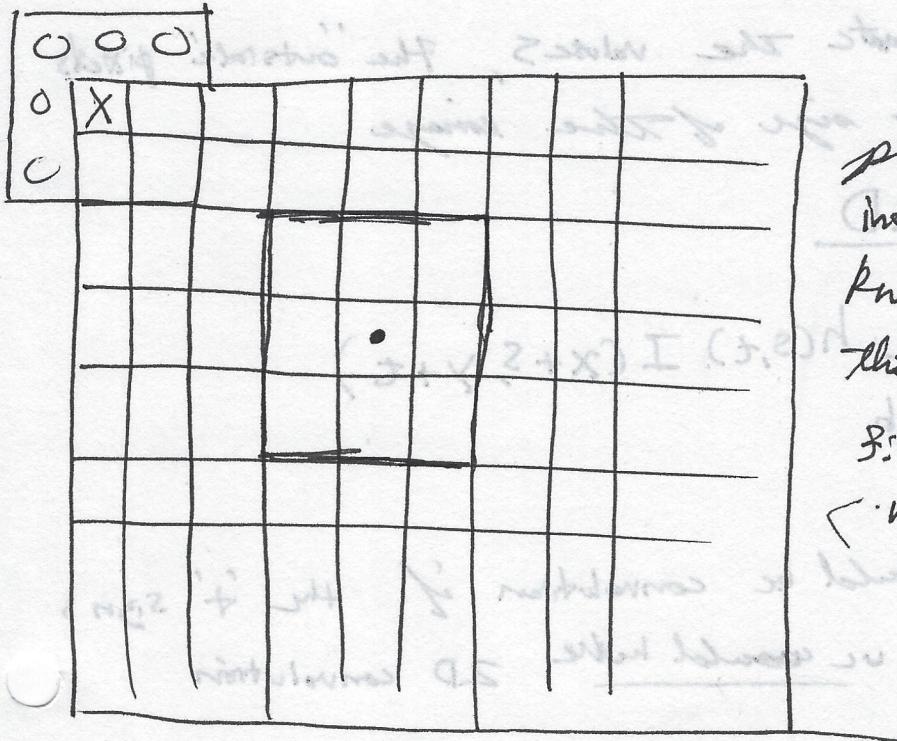
We won't run into indexing problems in
Image Processing,

our filters are easy numbers
and symmetric around the
middle. we think of the middle
element as the $0,0$ element

we usually deal with odd filters
 3×3 $5 \times 5 \rightarrow$ symmetry around the
middle

0	-1	0
-1	5	-1
0	-1	0

we take the block of #5 and slide it across the image: Way to apply the filter to the image (3)



Say that the dotted pixel is the pixel of interest, so we want to know the filter response at that pixel, we center the filter on that pixel, we multiply corresponding elements then add up - recall?

use the filter

$$\begin{matrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 5 & -1 \end{matrix}$$

"Filter"
"Mask"

what pixels of the original image does that mask cover?

$$\begin{matrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \end{matrix}$$

$$I(x,y) \rightarrow J(x,y)$$

$$J(x,y) = 5I(x,y) - I(x+1,y) - I(x-1,y) - I(x,y+1) - I(x,y-1)$$

Subtract or add filtering
today we see different kinds of filters.

⑦ Say we have a pixel at the upmost left most part of the image, we may discount that pixel, \Rightarrow no response but we change the size of the image in which the pipeline may not like.

Or we could hallucinate the values, the "outside" pixels are zero. We retain the size of the image

Convolution in 2D

$$J(x, y) = \sum_{s=-a}^a \sum_{t=-b}^b h(s, t) I(x+s, y+t)$$

This would be convolution if the '+' signs were '-' sign, we would have 2D convolution

We have

Correlation, the difference being to flip the mask around.

Q. What are the usual kinds of spatial filters?

golf hole in texture
twinkles in a photo
rainbow to detect

$$(x, y)I - (x+1, y)I - (x, y+1)I + (x+1, y+1)I -$$

$$(1-x, y)I - (1+x, y)I -$$

Smooth Thing FILTER

(also Low pass filter)

Moving average filter

Idea: To ~~read~~ a ~~filter~~

average of its neighbors

PRO: Removes / Reduces Noise

CON: Blurs the IMAGE, Removes detail

unity filter

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

MatLab Example

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2 ways To Filter in MatLab:

filter2(h, im)

- Get actual, floating point Results
- Not scaled/clipped To [0, 255] (Image range)

imfilter(im, h)

→ uint8 → uint8 if we have an image going in, we have the right image going out

→ works with color

→ May lose important values < 0 or > 255

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{9}$$

⑥

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$$\text{im} = \text{imread('')};$$

Try out on my own

This is a long one

Highpass in image edges

still get rid of noise, get rid of edges

Lowpass Filters

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$$\frac{\text{ones}(n)}{n^2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

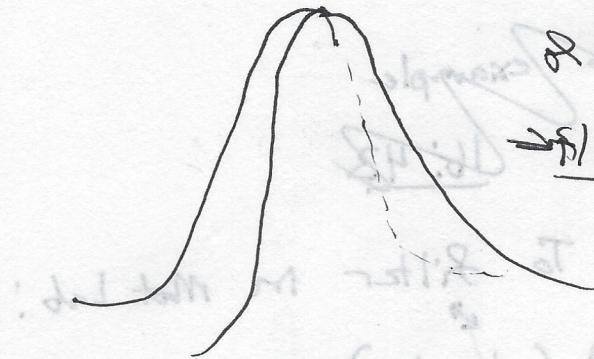
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

variable

What about

$$\frac{1}{16} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

or



by tuning σ
of the Gaussian,
flat or skinny
filter

Sharpening Filters

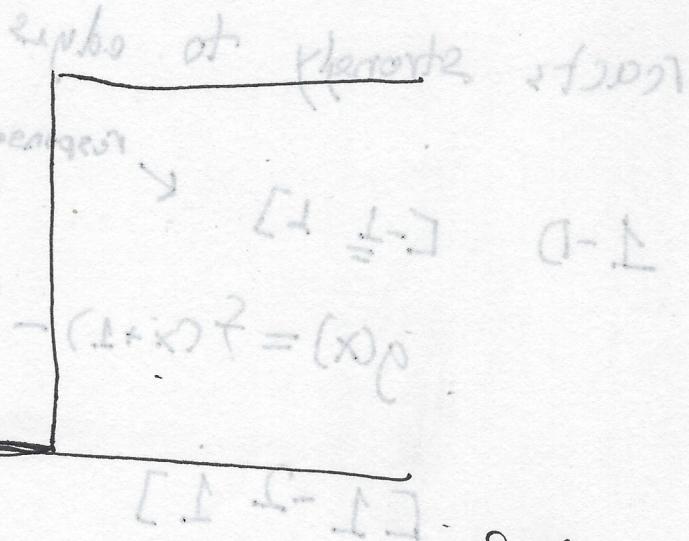
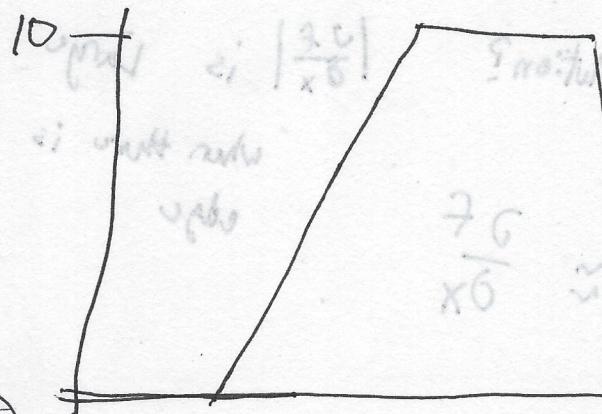
Image averaging ~ integration
(adding stuff up)

For sharpening pixels we want to look at the differences of pixels, (like differentiation)

IMAGE DIFFERENCE (Related to Differentiation) (7)

Results in sharpening

IMAGE Edge (1-D)



0 0 0 2 4 6 8 10 10 5 0 0 0 10 10 10 10 $\leftarrow f(x)$

\leftarrow Grey scale intensity values along edge

Say $f(x)$ is our original function

Discrete World, ~~Difference~~ derivative is the difference

between adjacent values

$f'(x) 0 0 2 2 2 2 2 0 -5 -5 0 0 10 0 0 0 0 \leftarrow$ First derivative
 \leftarrow for the first difference

$f''(x) 0 \leftarrow 0 0 0 0 -2 -5 0 5 0 +10 -10 0 0 0 \leftarrow$ large values correspond
we see values at the onset of change when the image is changing quickly

② $f(x)$ and $f''(x)$ are important to find the edges in images, the edges are important to sharpening images

1st step in sharpening, find a filter that

reacts strongly to edges

response by convolution?

1-D $[-\frac{1}{2} \ 1]$

$$g(x) = f(x+1) - f(x) \approx \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$$

$|\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}|$ is large when there is an edge

$[1 -2 1]$

$$g(x) = f(x+1) + f(x-1) - 2f(x) \approx \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$$

$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$ shows sign changes near edges But is 0 elsewhere

→ More Local response

2-D Versions?

Look at $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$ → to find edges in both

x and y directions

we use an approximation of the Laplacian

(using pyramid)

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$$

approximate

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$$

for the $\nabla^2 f$ gradient magnitude we will

$$f(x+1, y) + f(x-1, y) - 2f(x, y)$$

$$f(x, y+1) + f(x, y-1) - 2f(x, y)$$

So we have

$$(x, y) \nabla^2 f(x, y) = (x, y)^T$$

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & -4 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$f(x+1, y) + f(x-1, y) + f(x, y+1) + f(x, y-1) - 4f(x, y)$$

To use the filter,

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & -4 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 2 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline -2 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

if the middle value is larger than its neighbors, we get a large positive or negative response

react strongly to edges

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in fact signs off to gradient is also true now we can take others from part

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How to Enhance / Sharpen Images?

Idea: Strengthen Edges of the original image by adding a multiple of the edge map to it.

$$J(x,y) = I(x,y) - \nabla^2 I(x,y)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We get

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 5 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note, by enhancing the image, we have enhanced the noise

filter was too enhanced

→ We can just add a fraction of the edges back in, for a more subtle effect.

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Unsharp Masking

Original Image: f

Low-Pass Image: \bar{f}

High-Pass Image: $f - \bar{f} = f_{hp}$

$$Output = f + K \cdot f_{hp}$$

tunable parameter

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-1	-2	-1
0	0	0
1	2	1

Sobel Horizontal
EDGE Detector

-1	0	1
-2	0	2
-1	0	1

Sobel Vertical EDGE
detector

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convert to LTI systems, 2D LTI systems
Non Linear system can be good.

other off subject & notes
New learning

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Not all image filters are linear

e.g. Median filtering

$$J(x, y) = \text{median} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 3 \times 3 \text{ pixel neighbourhood} \\ \text{around } I(x, y) \end{array} \right\}$$

"my output pixel"

50 48 46 42 ← mostly dark-Grey blob
 52 0 50 48
 46 47 255 40
 51 48 46 42 "outliers like 0, and 255"
 "Salt and pepper noise"

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Take a region of pixels, center around 0, (a problem pixel)

50	48	46
52	0	50
46	47	255

Find a list ordered from lowest to highest of values

$\Rightarrow \{0, 46, 46, 47, 48, 50, 50, 52, 255\}$

median \Rightarrow replaces the centre pixel, 0 in our case

pixel dependent choice filter (page 12)

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Gaussian Noise \rightarrow LPF

salt and Pepper \rightarrow median filter
impulsive noise

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