Lecture 5

Derivatives and edges

Administrative

A1 is out
- It is graded
- Due **Tue, Apr 16**

A2 will be out this weekend

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Recitation this friday:
More linear algebra recap

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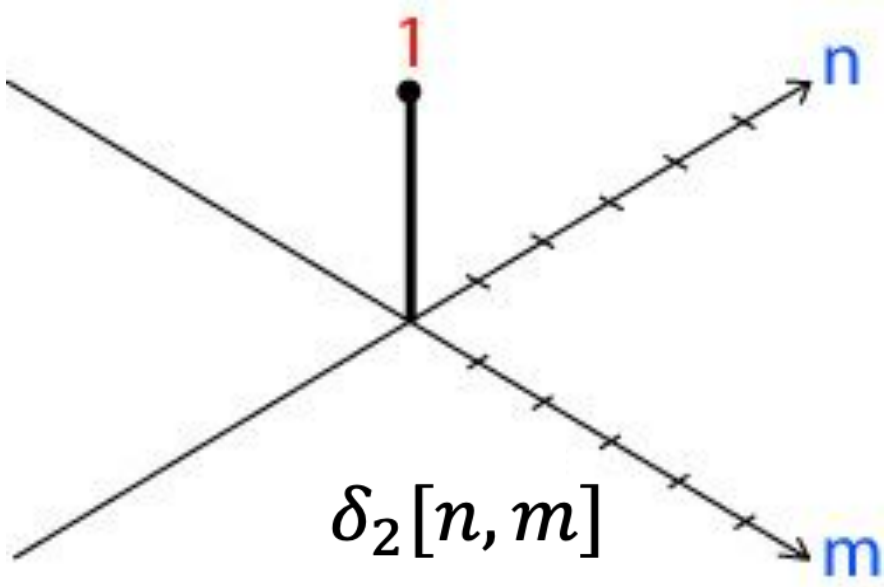
So far: 2D impulse function

- A special function
- 1 at the origin [0,0].
- 0 everywhere else



So far: We get the impulse response when we pass an impulse function through a LSI system

- The moving average filter equation again: $g[n,m] = \frac{1}{9}\sum_{k=-1}^{1}\sum_{l=-1}^{1} f[n-k, m-l]$

$$\delta_2[n,m] \xrightarrow{S} h[n,m]$$

Pass in an impulse function — Record its response

$$h[n,m] = \begin{bmatrix} 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/9 \\ 1/9 & \underline{1/9} & 1/9 \\ 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/9 \end{bmatrix}$$

So far: write down f as a sum of impulses

Let's say our input f is a 3x3 image:

f[0,0]	f[0,1]	f[1,1]
f[1,0]	f[1,1]	f[1,2]
f[2,0]	f[2,1]	f[2,2]

$=$

f[0,0]	0	0
0	0	0
0	0	0

$+$

0	f[0,1]	0
0	0	0
0	0	0

$+ \ldots +$

0	0	0
0	0	0
0	0	f[2,2]

$=$ f[0,0] $\times$

1	0	0
0	0	0
0	0	0

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0	1	0
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$+ \ldots +$ f[2,2] $\times$

0	0	0
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0	0	1

$$= f[0,0] \cdot \delta_2[n,m] + f[0,1] \cdot \delta_2[n,m-1] + \ldots + f[2,2] \cdot \delta_2[n-2,m-2]$$

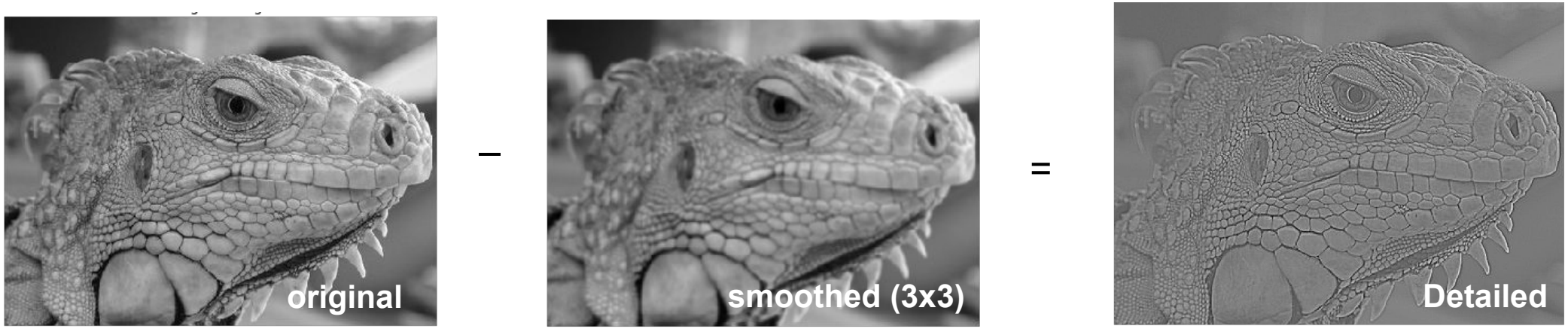
So far: We derived convolutions

- An LSI system is completely specified by its impulse response.
  - For any input f, we can compute the output g in terms of the impulse response h.

Discrete Convolution

$$f[n,m] * h[n,m] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} f[k,l] \cdot h[n-k, m-l]$$

So far: We created a sharpening system by combining filters



Let's add it back to get a sharpening system:

(Cross) correlation – symbol: $**$

Cross correlation of two 2D signals f[n,m] and h[n,m]

$$f[n,m] ** h[n,m] = \sum_k \sum_l f[k,l]h[n+k,m+l]$$

Equivalent to a convolution without the flip

What we missed last time: Properties of cross correlation

- Associative property:

$$(f ** h_1) ** h_2 = f ** (h_1 ** h_2)$$

- Distributive property:

$$f ** (h_1 + h_2) = (f ** h_1) + (f ** h_2)$$

The order doesn't matter! $h_1 ** h_2 = h_2 ** h_1$

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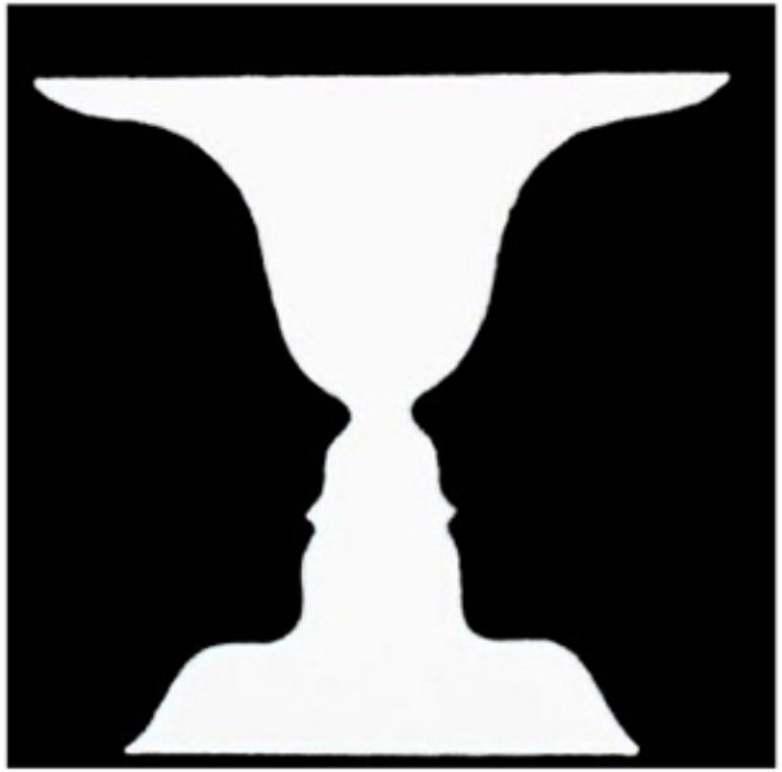
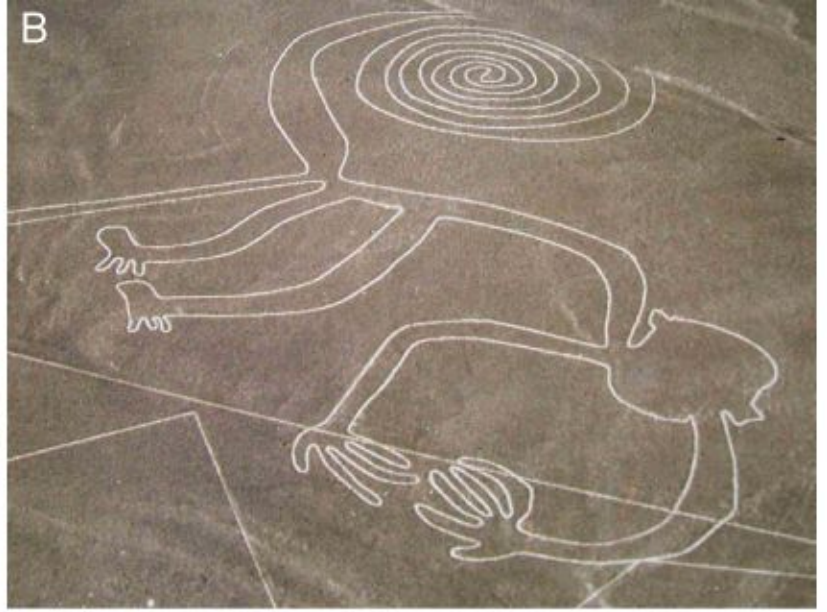


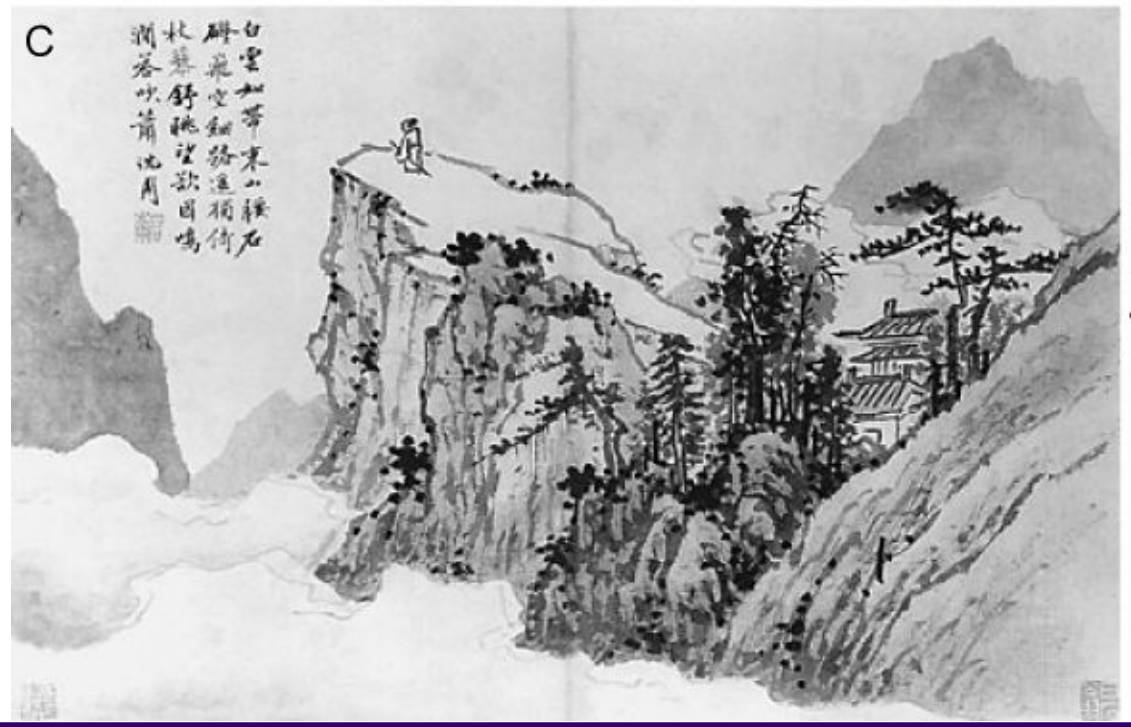
(A) Cave painting at Chauvet, France, about 30,000 B.C.;

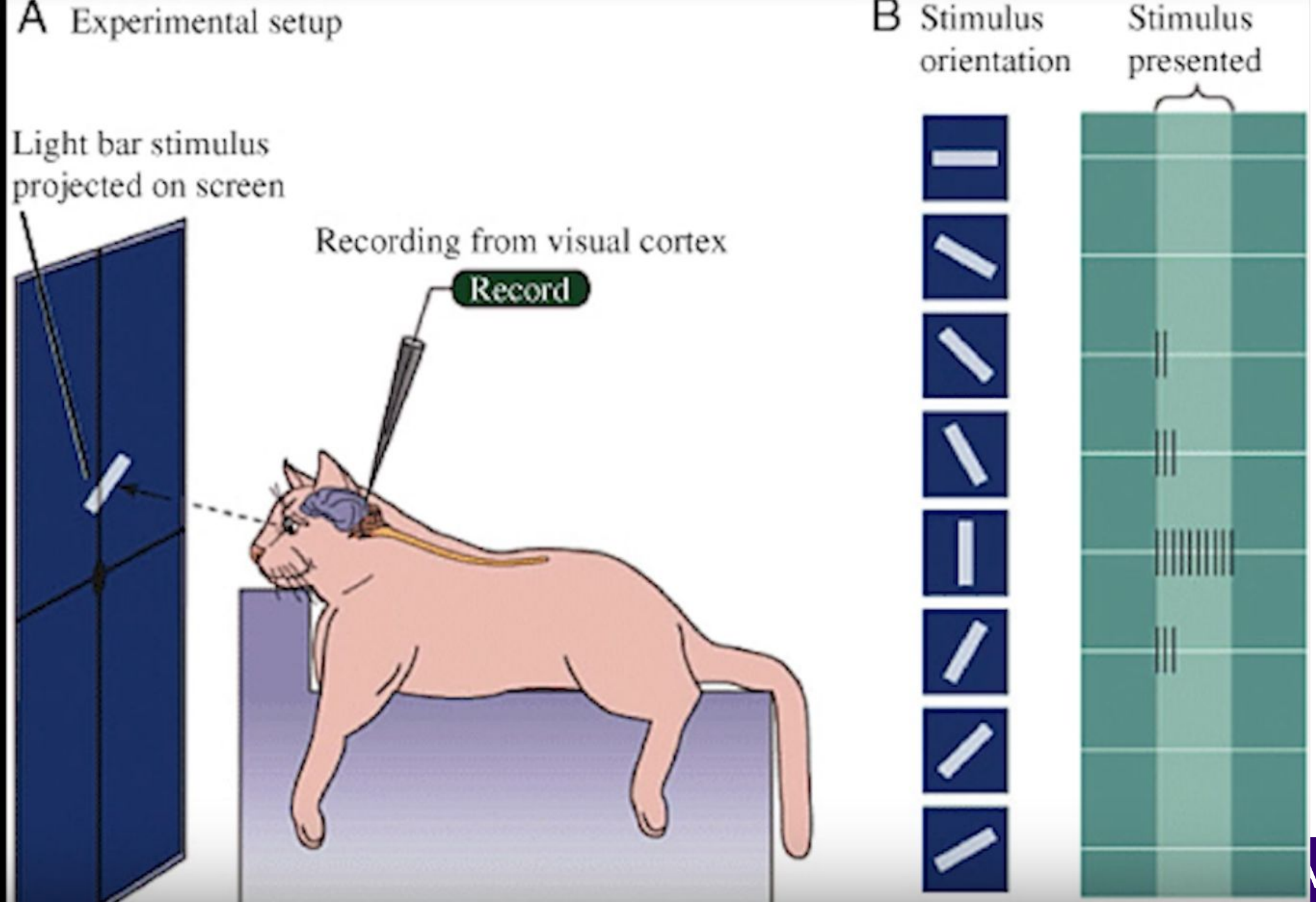
(B) Aerial photograph of the picture of a monkey as part of the Nazca Lines geoglyphs, Peru, about 700 – 200 B.C.;

(C) Shen Zhou (1427-1509 A.D.): Poet on a mountain top, ink on paper, China;

(D) Line drawing by 7-year old I. Lleras (2010 A.D.).







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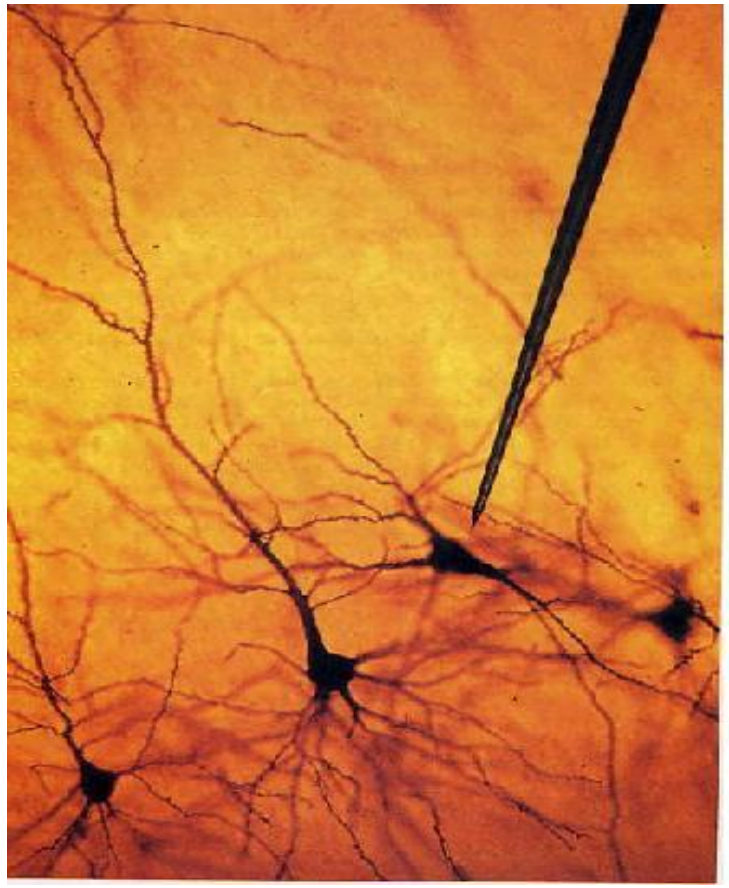

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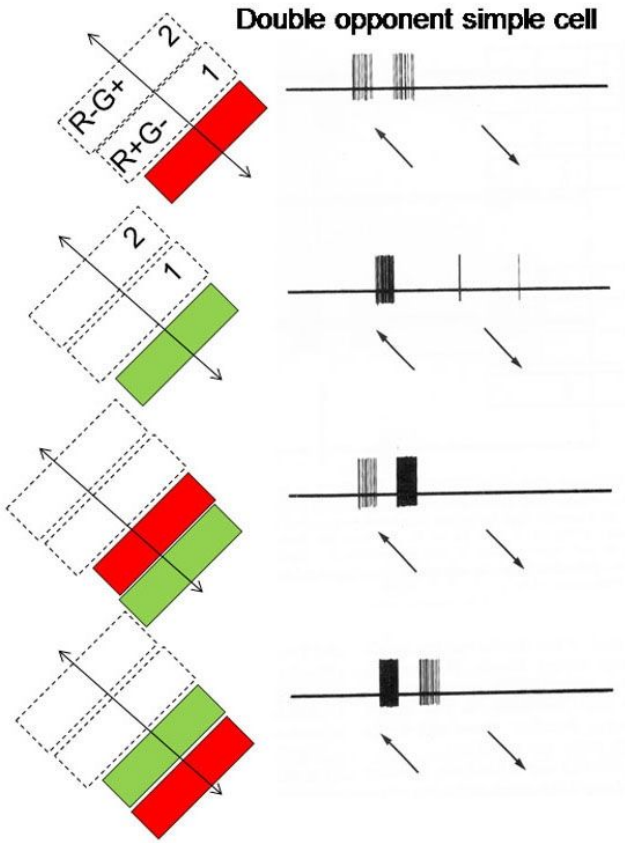

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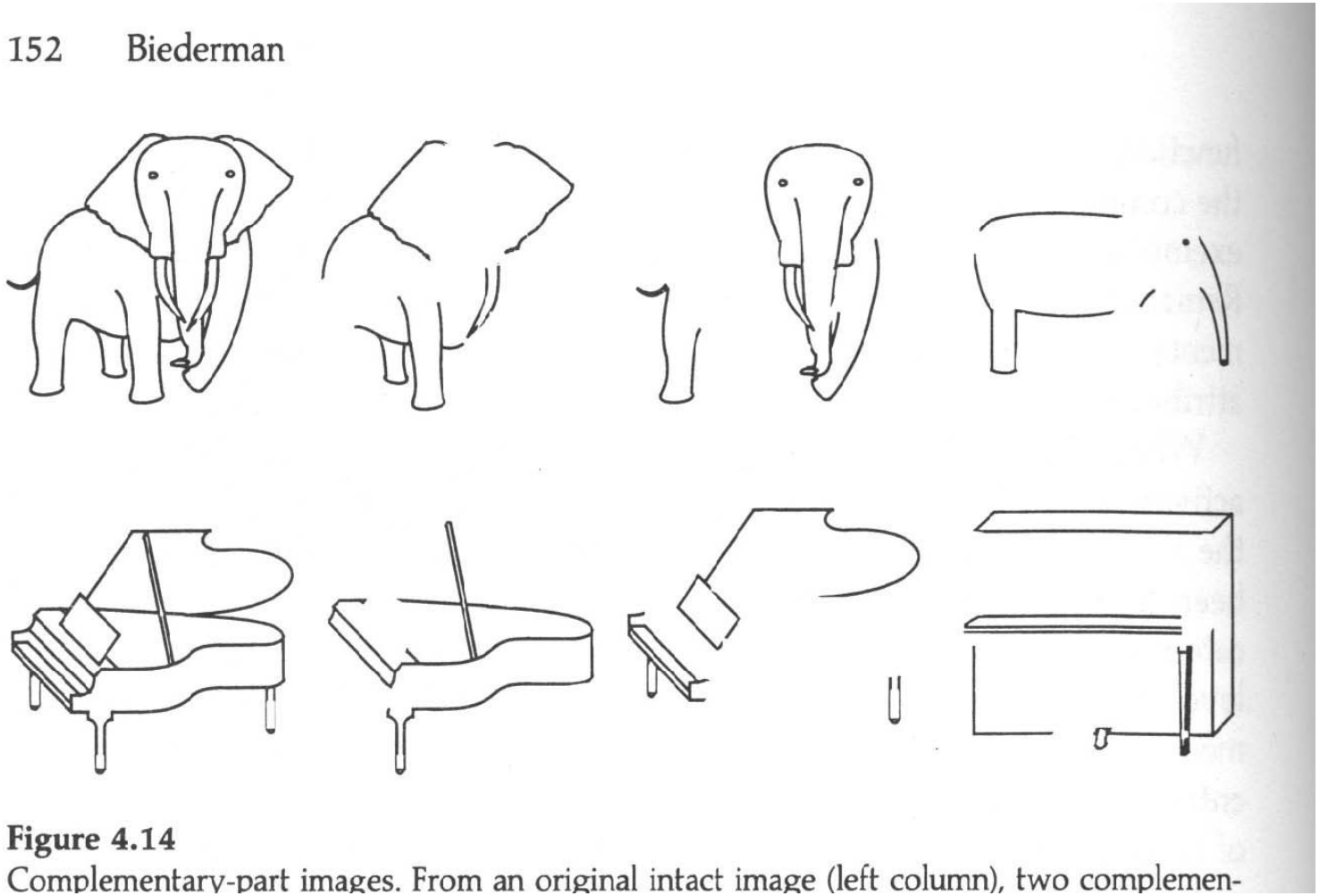
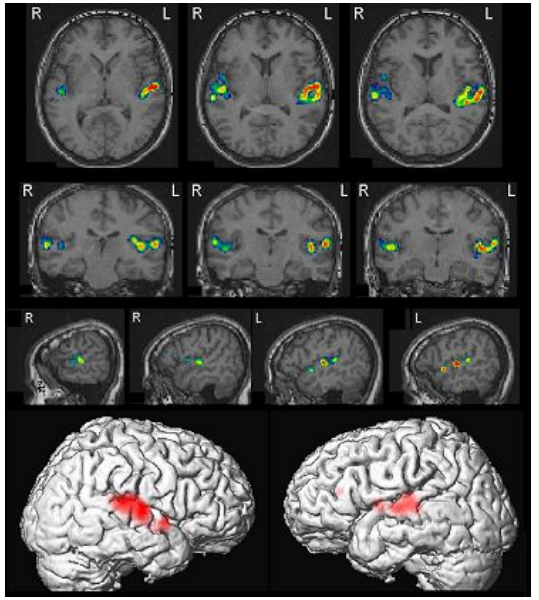
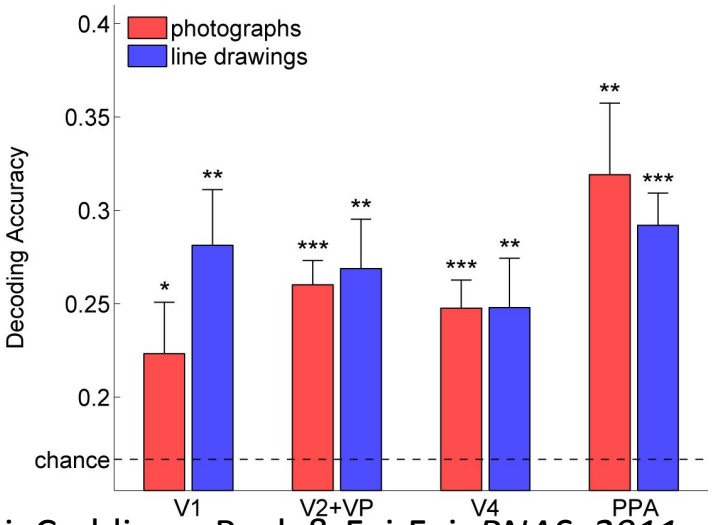


Figure 4.14
Complementary-part images. From an original intact image (left column), two complemen-



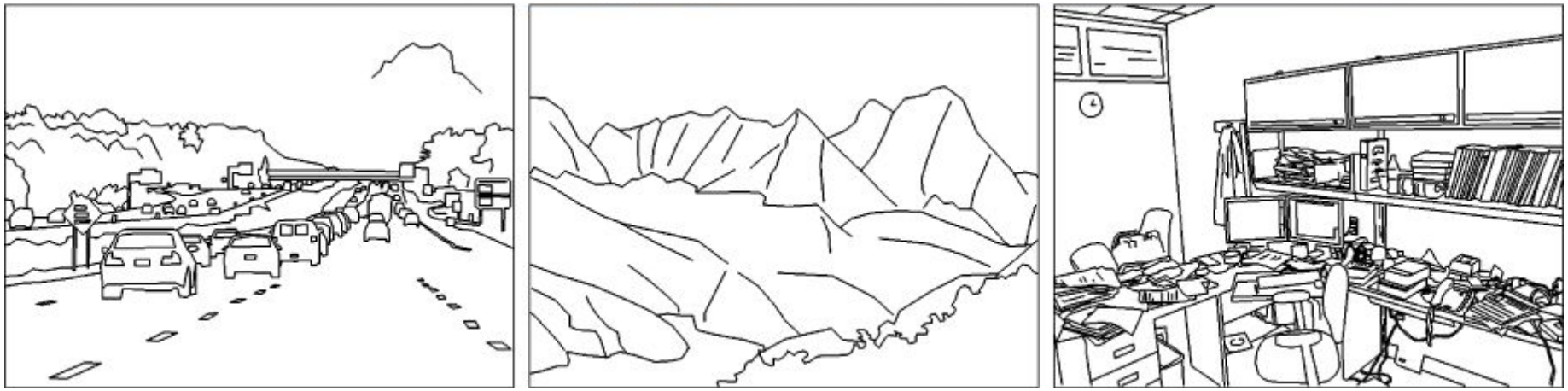


Walther, Chai, Caddigan, Beck & Fei-Fei, *PNAS, 2011*

Edge detection

- **Goal:** Identify sudden changes (discontinuities) in an image
  - Intuitively, most semantic and shape information from the image can be encoded in the edges
  - More compact than pixels

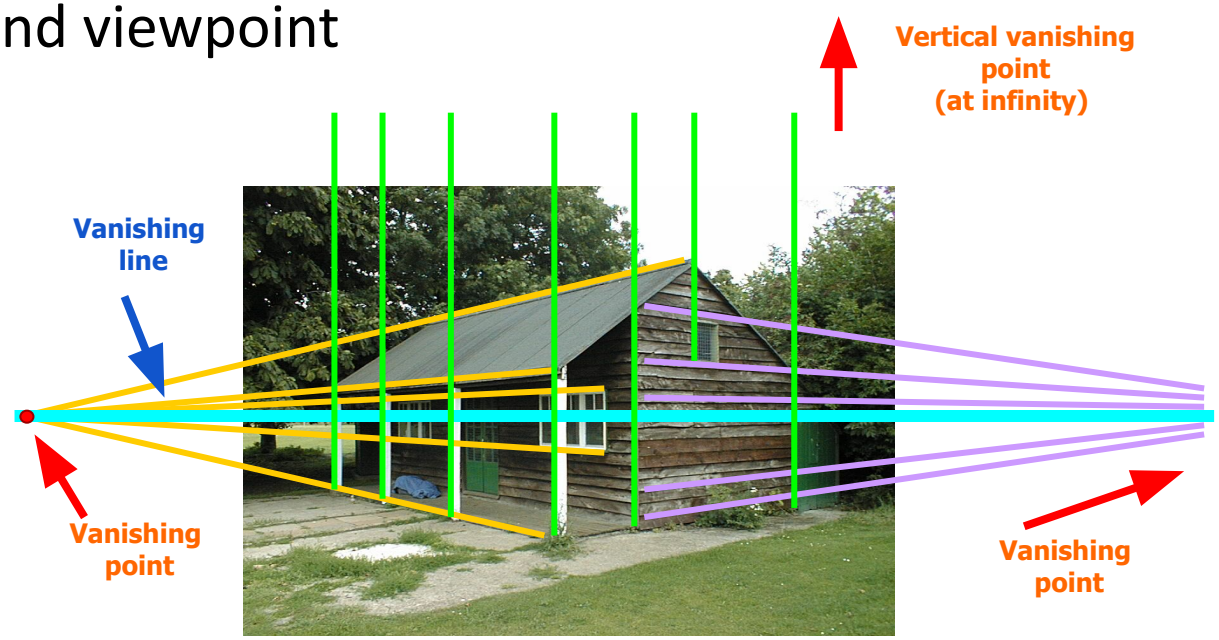
- **Ideal:** artist's line drawing (but artist is also using object-level knowledge)



Why do we care about edges?

- Extract information, recognize objects

- Recover geometry and viewpoint



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Origins of edges

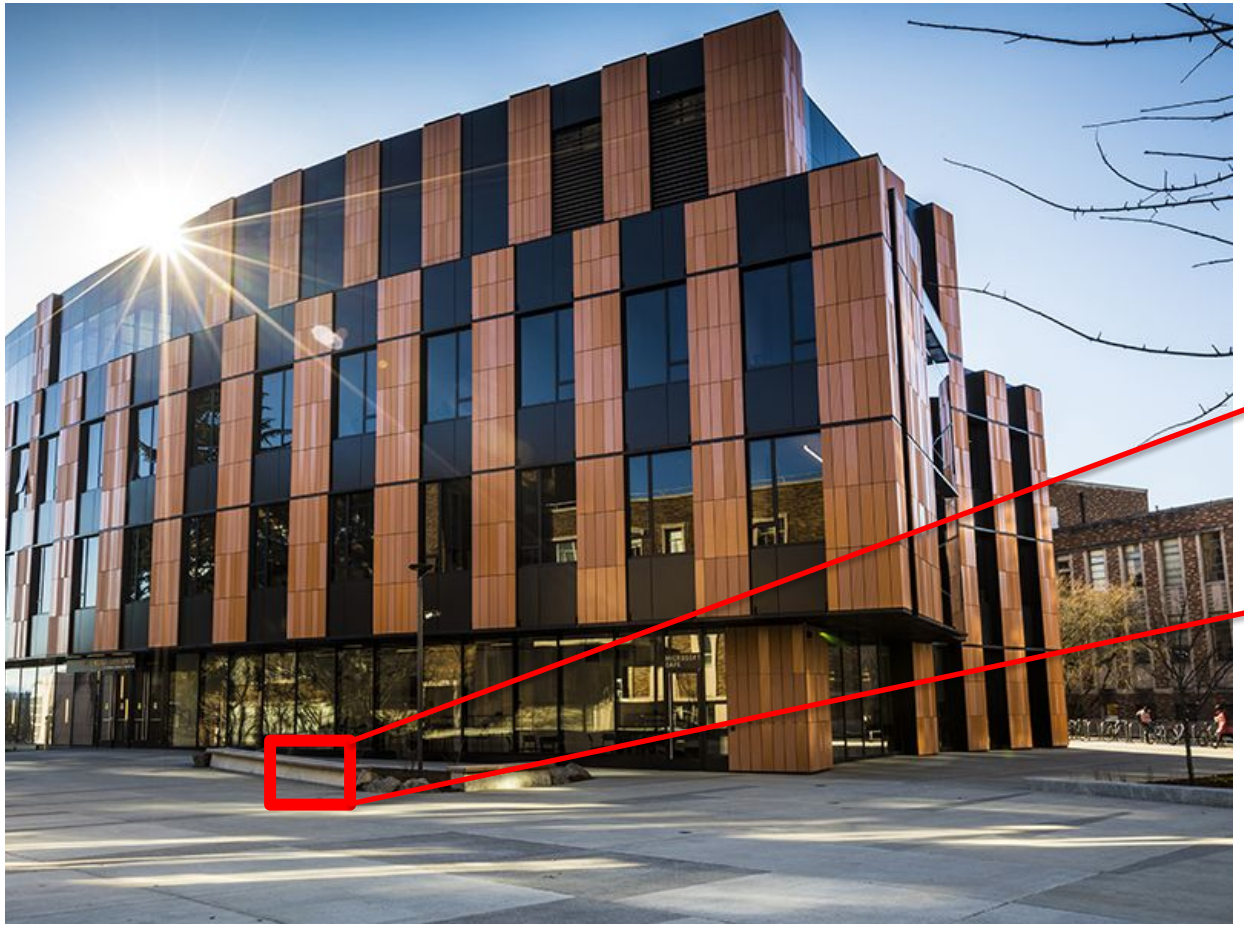
surface normal discontinuity

depth discontinuity

surface color discontinuity

illumination discontinuity

Closeup of edges



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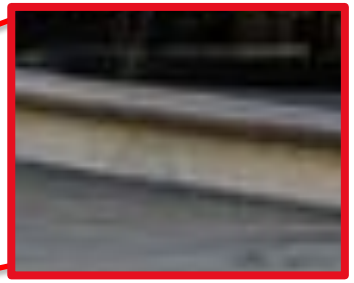

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In discrete derivatives with images, smallest value of x is 1 pixel

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$$= \frac{f[x+1] - f[x]}{1}$$

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This is called a forward derivative

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Designing filters that perform differentiation

- Using Backward differentiation

$$g[n, m] = ??$$

Q. What is the equation in width (2nd) dimension?

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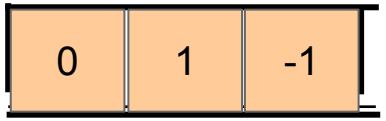

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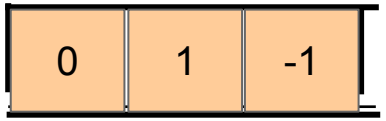

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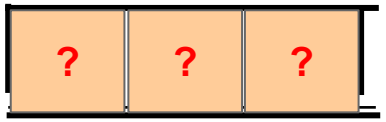

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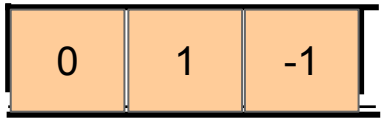

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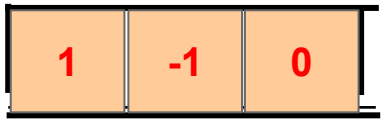

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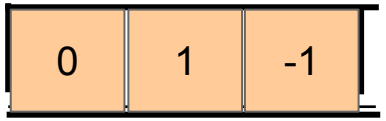

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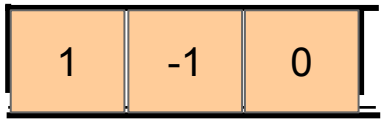

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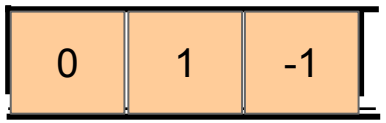

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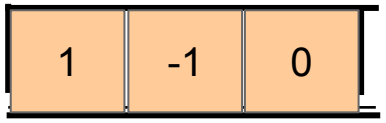

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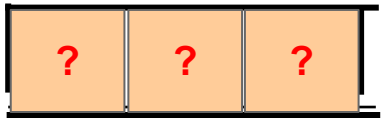

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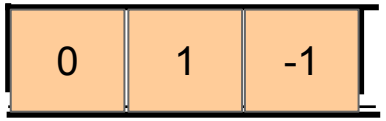

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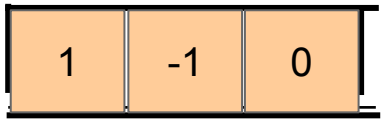

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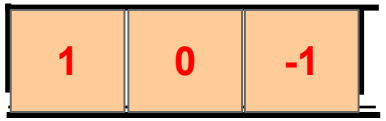

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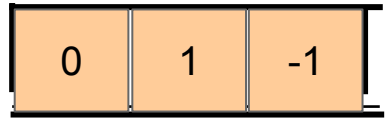
Derivative in width dimension for one row



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0	1	-1

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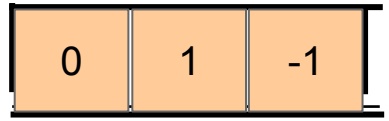

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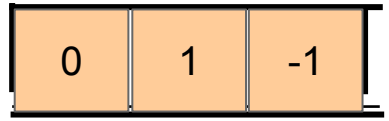

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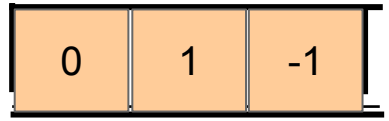

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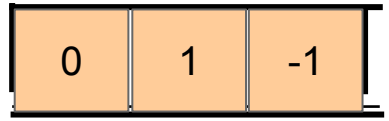

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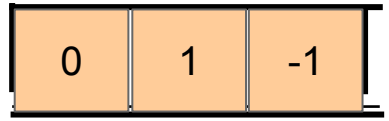

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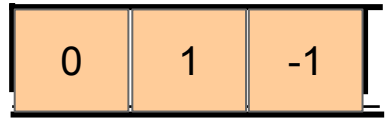

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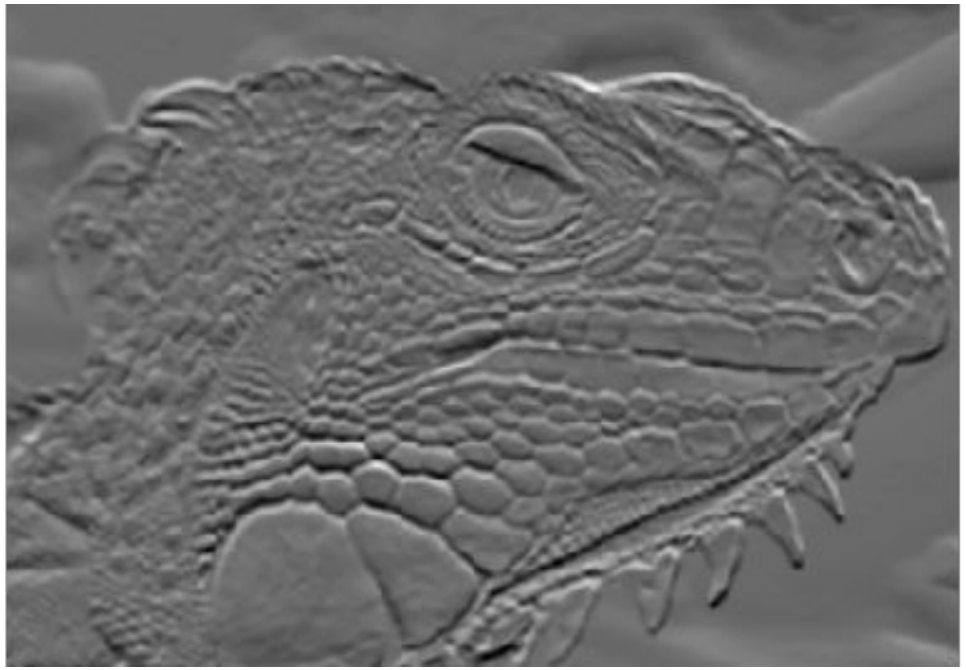

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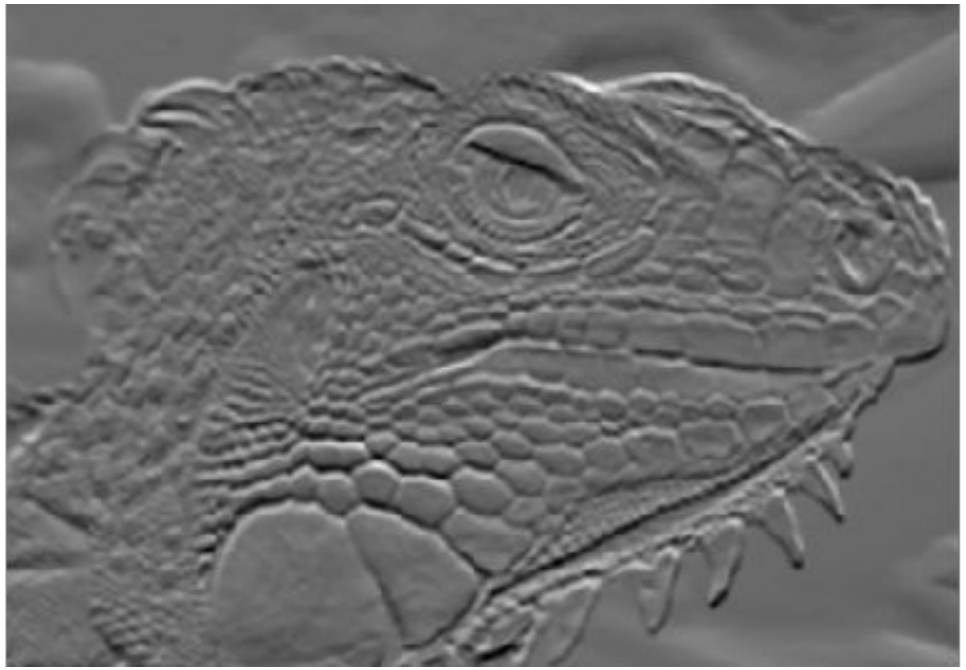
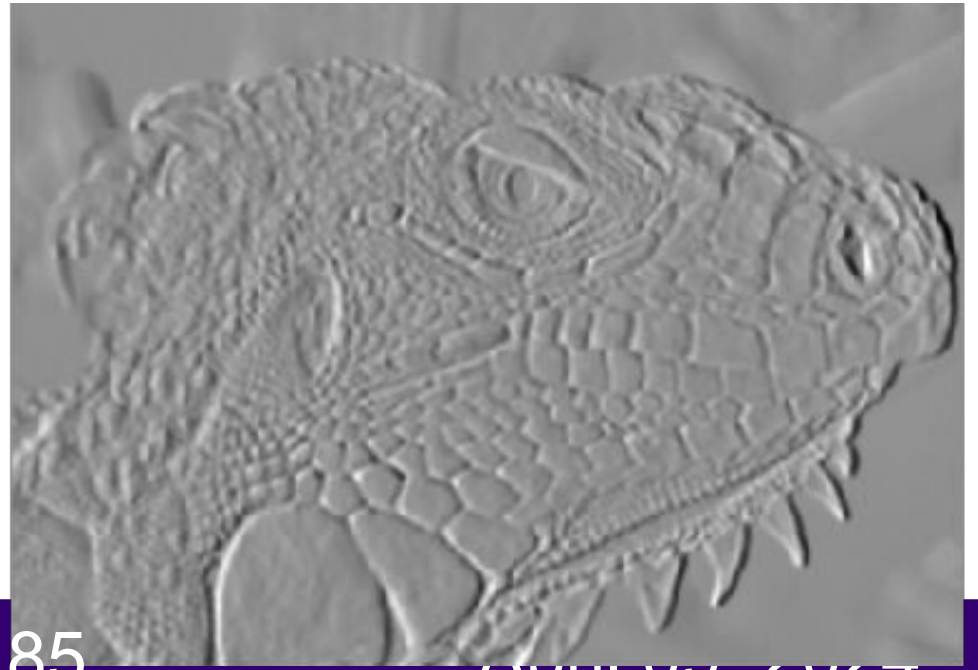




What we will learn today

- Edge detection
- Image Gradients
- A simple edge detector
- Sobel edge detector

Characterizing edges

An edge is a place of rapid change in the image intensity function

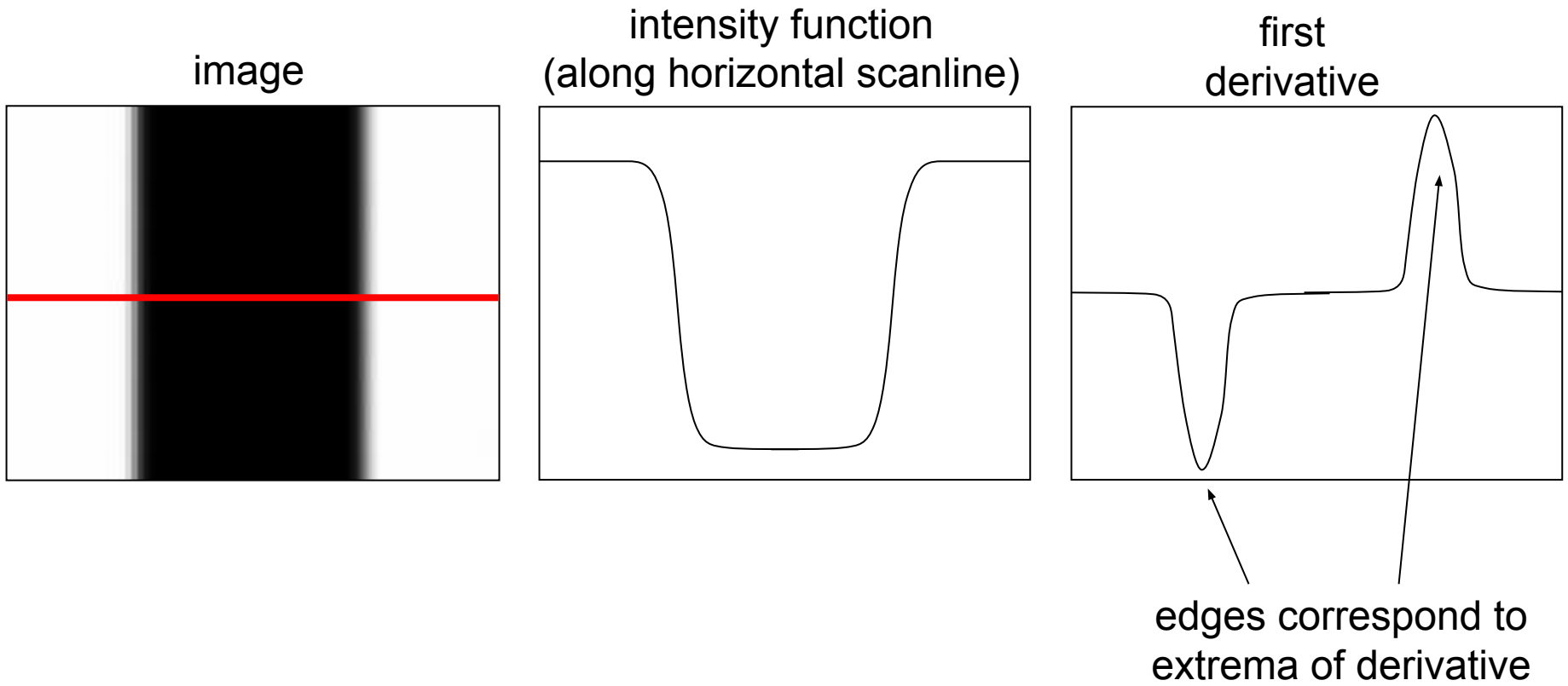
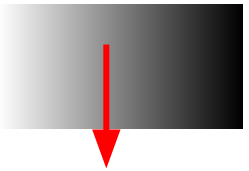


Image gradient

The gradient of an image:



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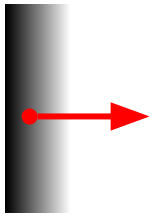

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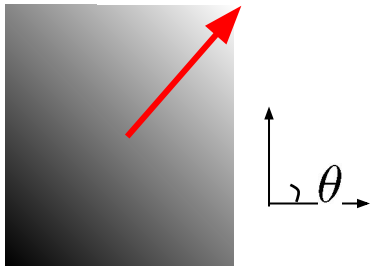

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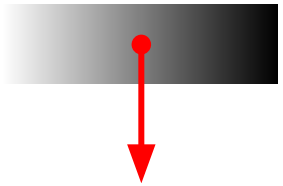

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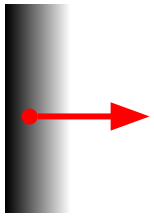

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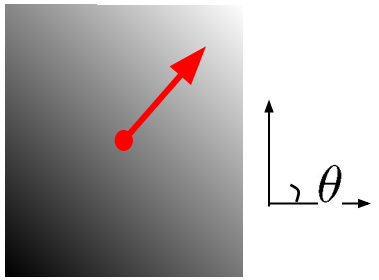

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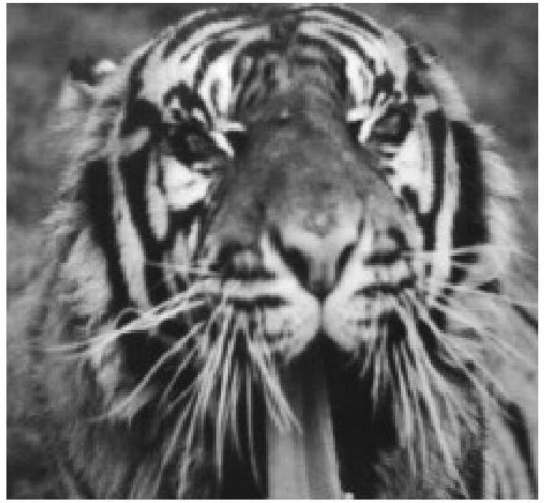
The *edge strength* is given by the gradient magnitude

$$|\nabla f[n,m]| = \sqrt{f_n^2 + f_m^2}$$

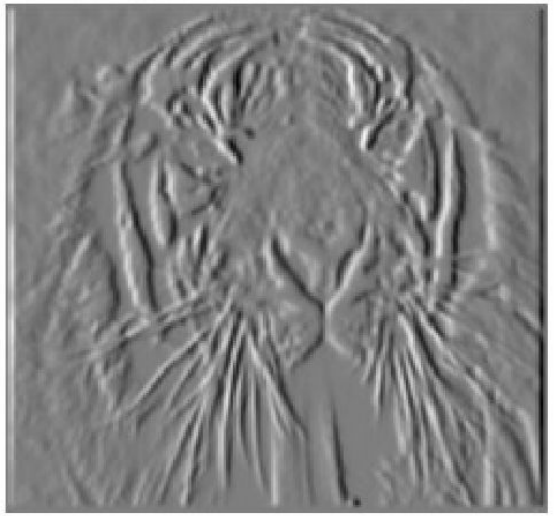
Finite differences: example

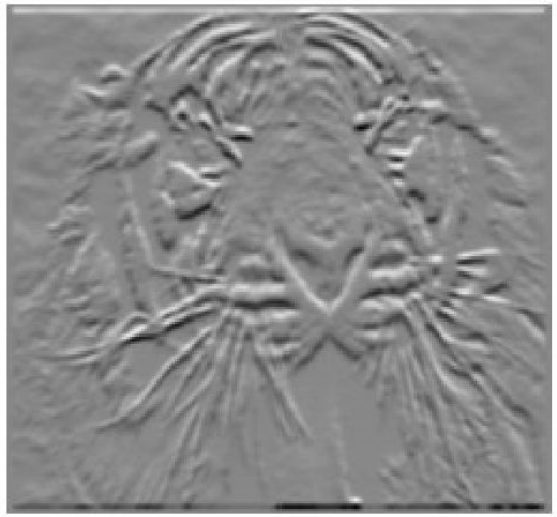
Original Image



Gradient magnitude

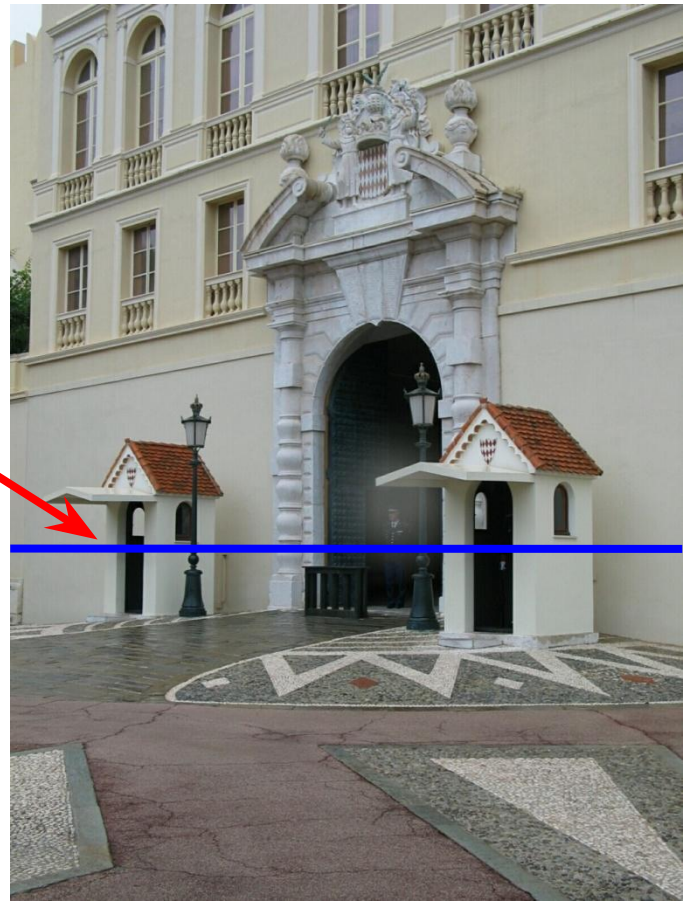
width-direction

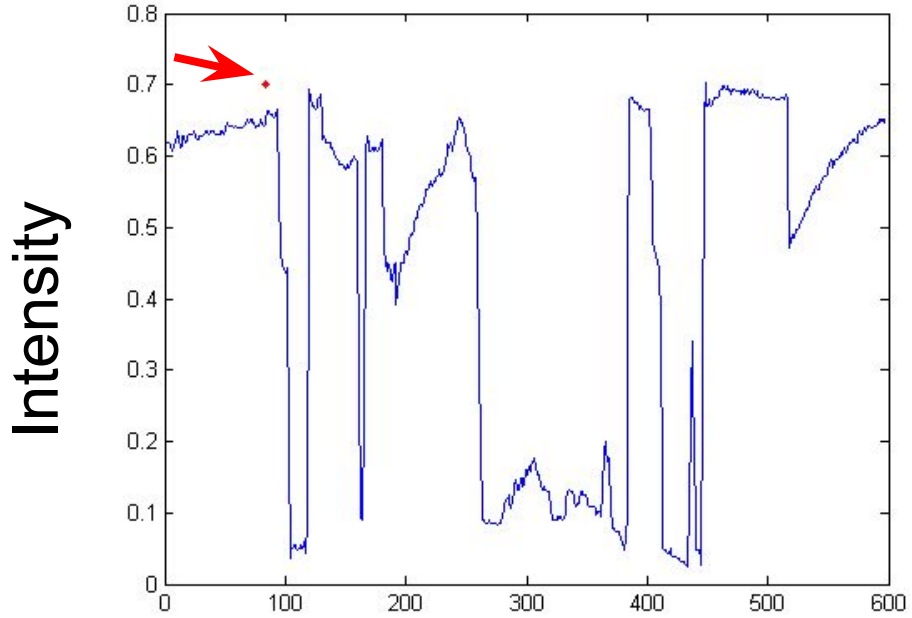


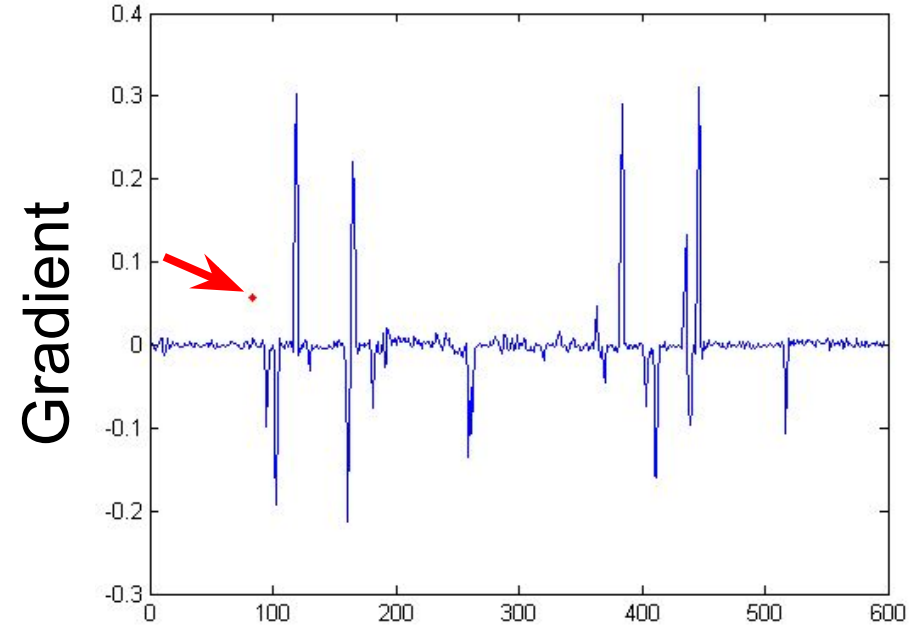


height-direction

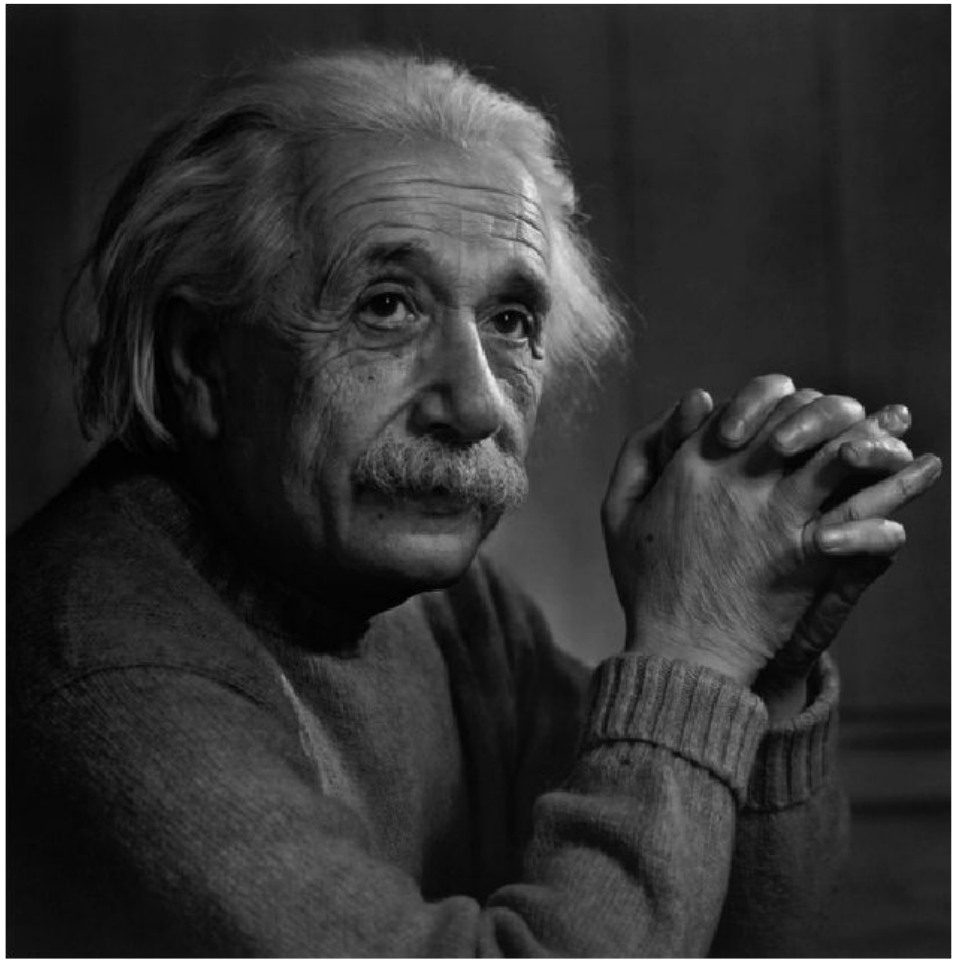
Intensity profile

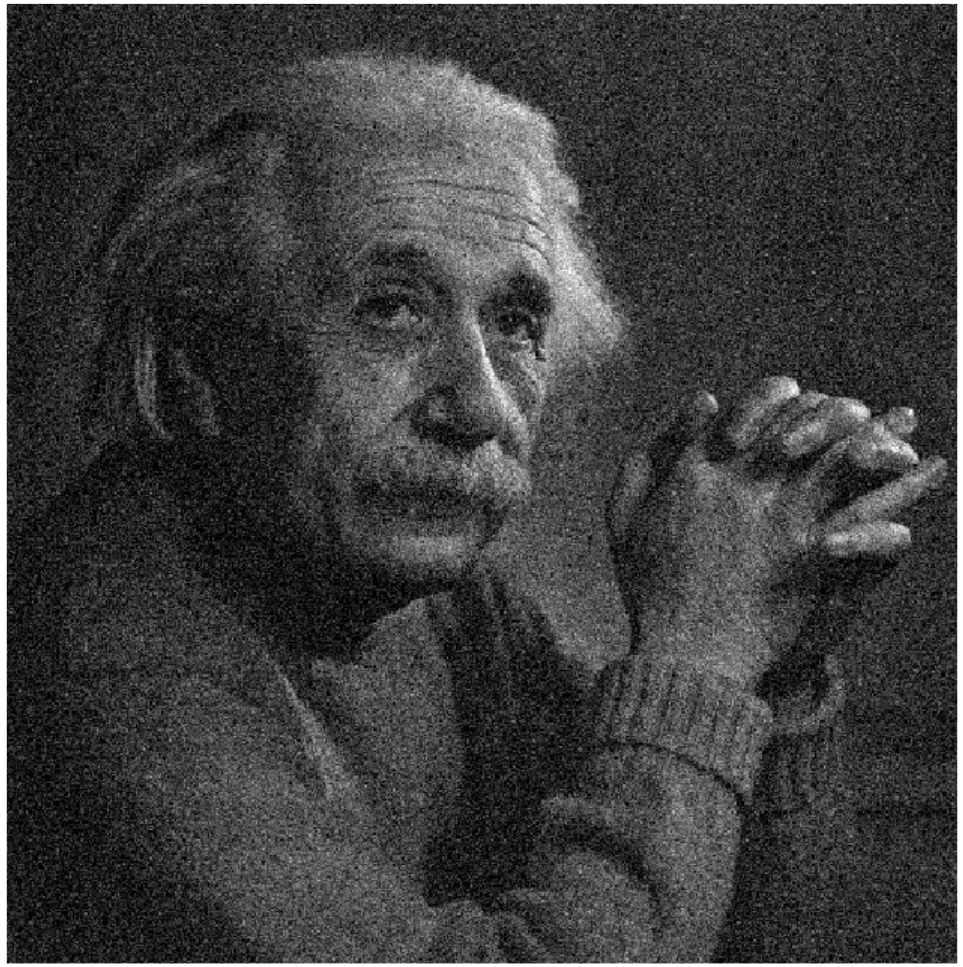






Q. What will happen if we use this edge detector on a noisy pixels?





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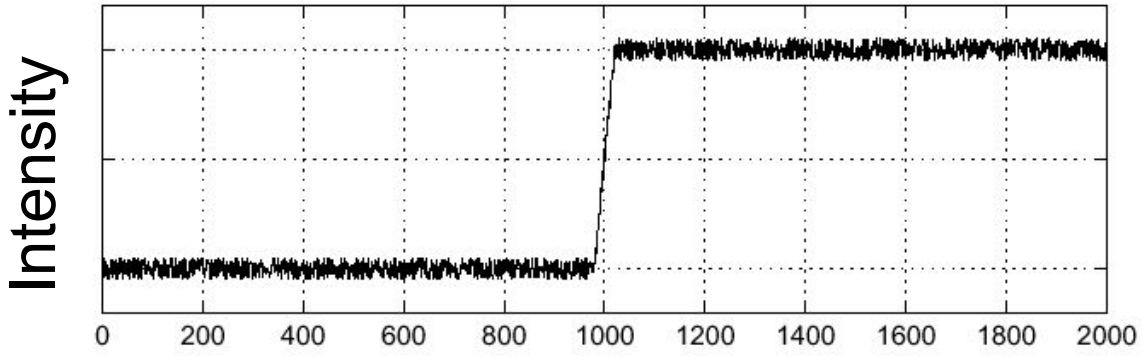

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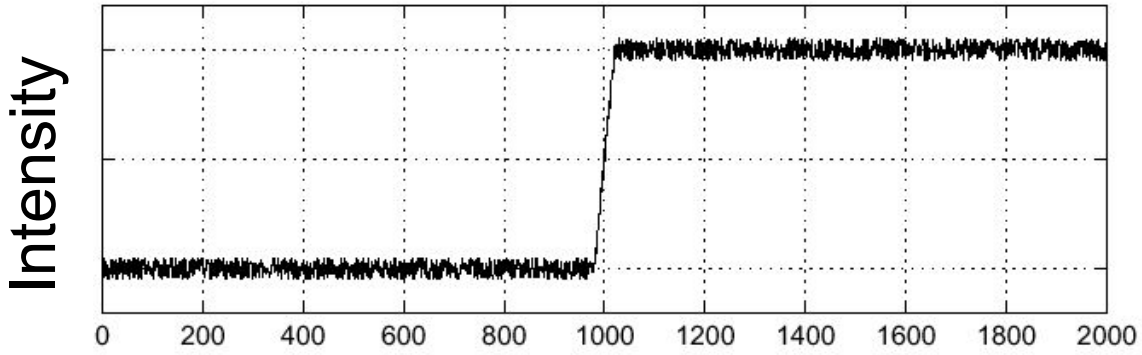

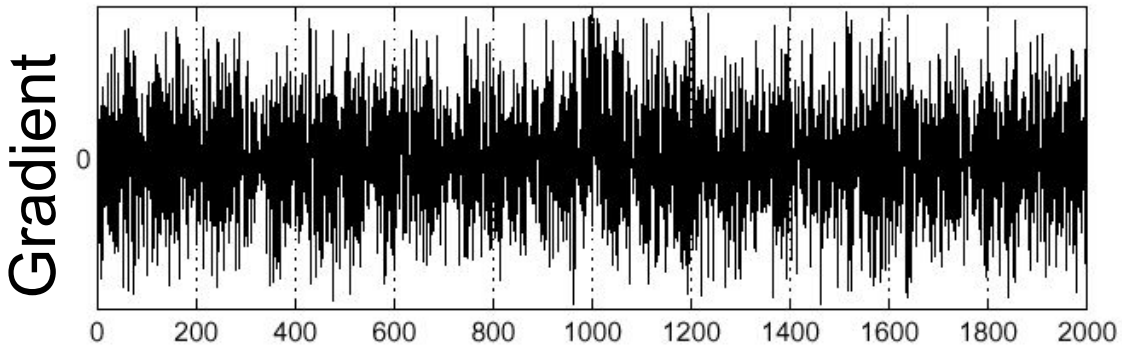

Where is the edge?

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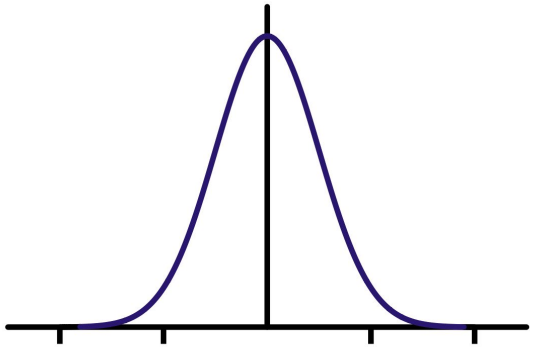
Smoothing with different filters

- Mean smoothing

$$\frac{1}{3}\begin{bmatrix}1\\1\\1\end{bmatrix} \qquad \frac{1}{3}\begin{bmatrix}1 & 1 & 1\end{bmatrix}$$

- Gaussian (smoothing * derivative)



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

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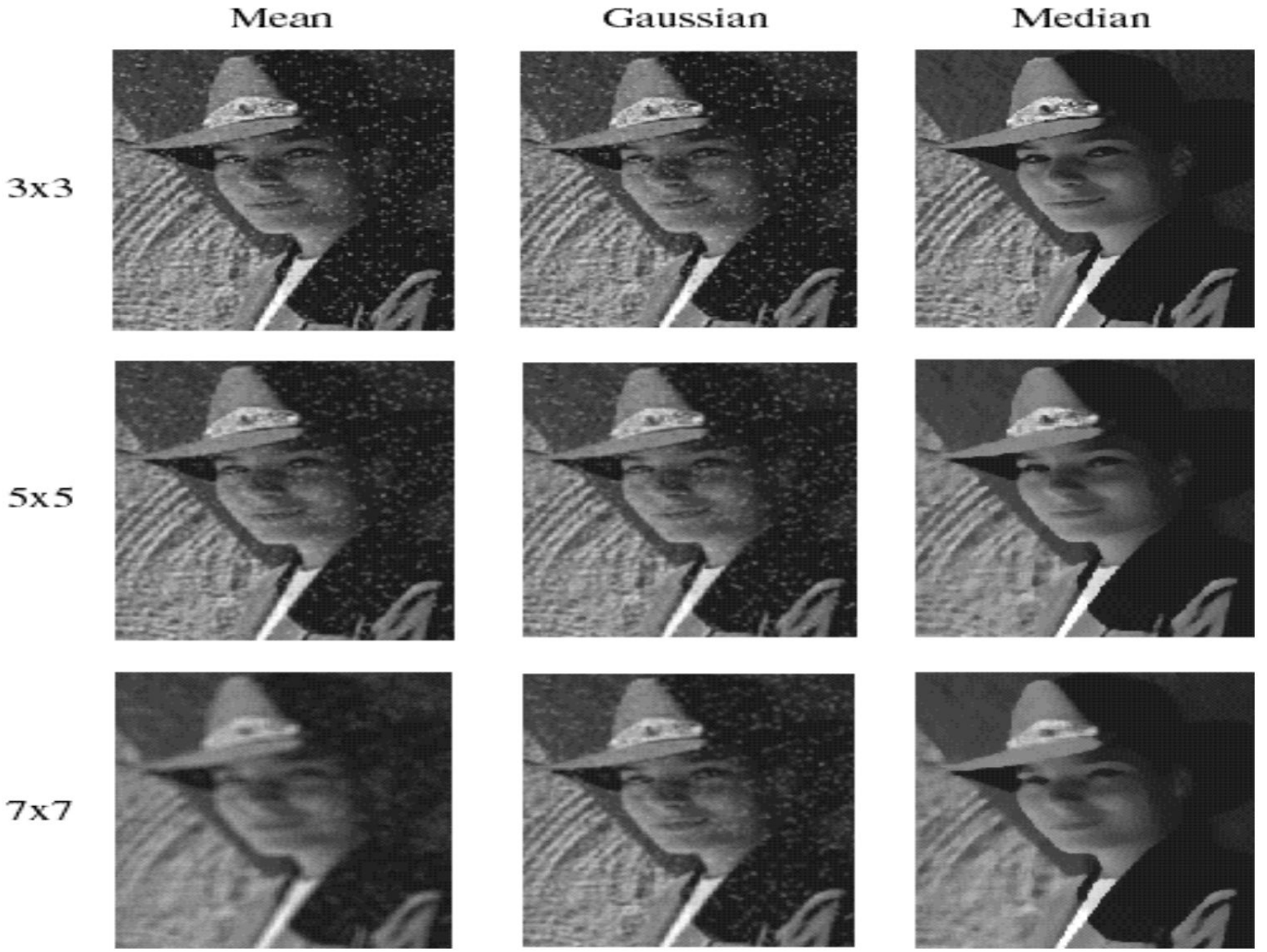

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Solution: input function

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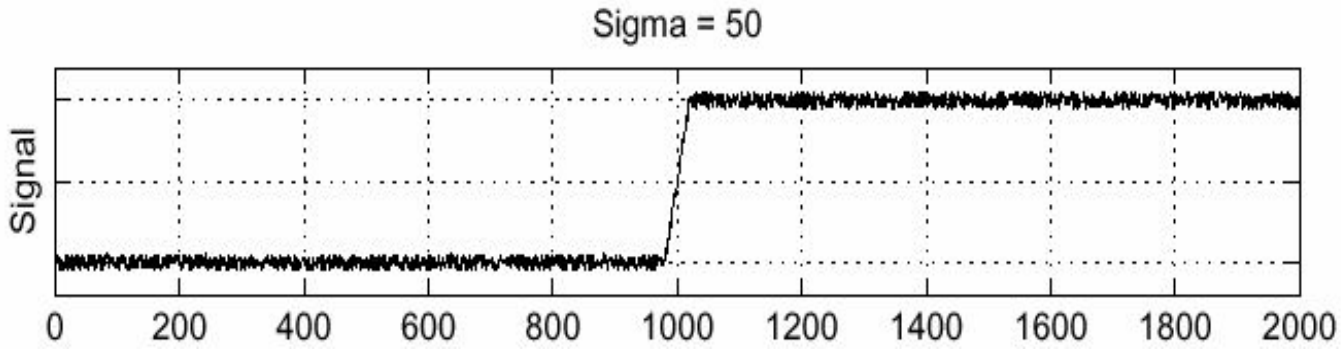

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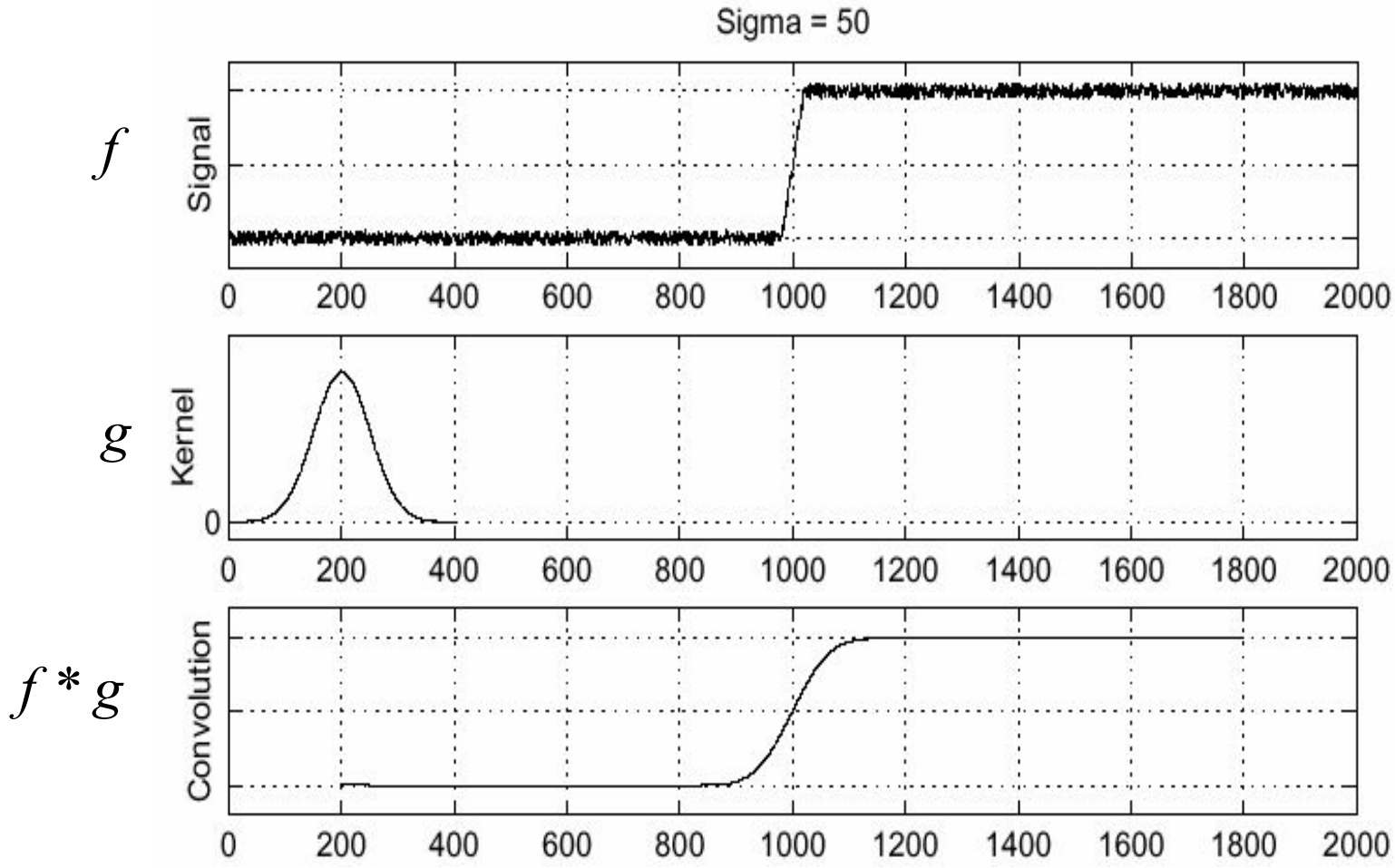

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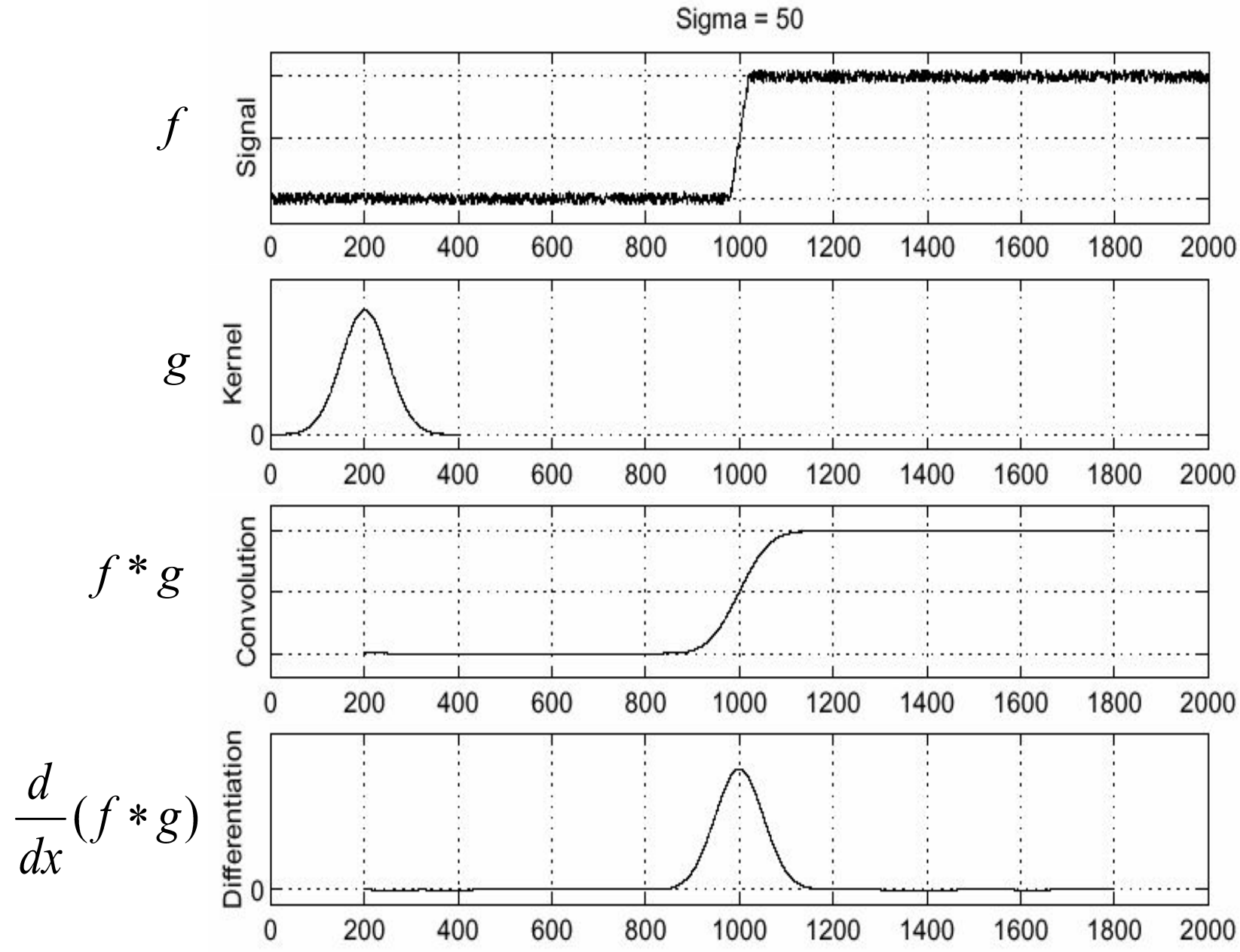
To find edges, look for peaks in $\frac{d}{dx}(f * g)$



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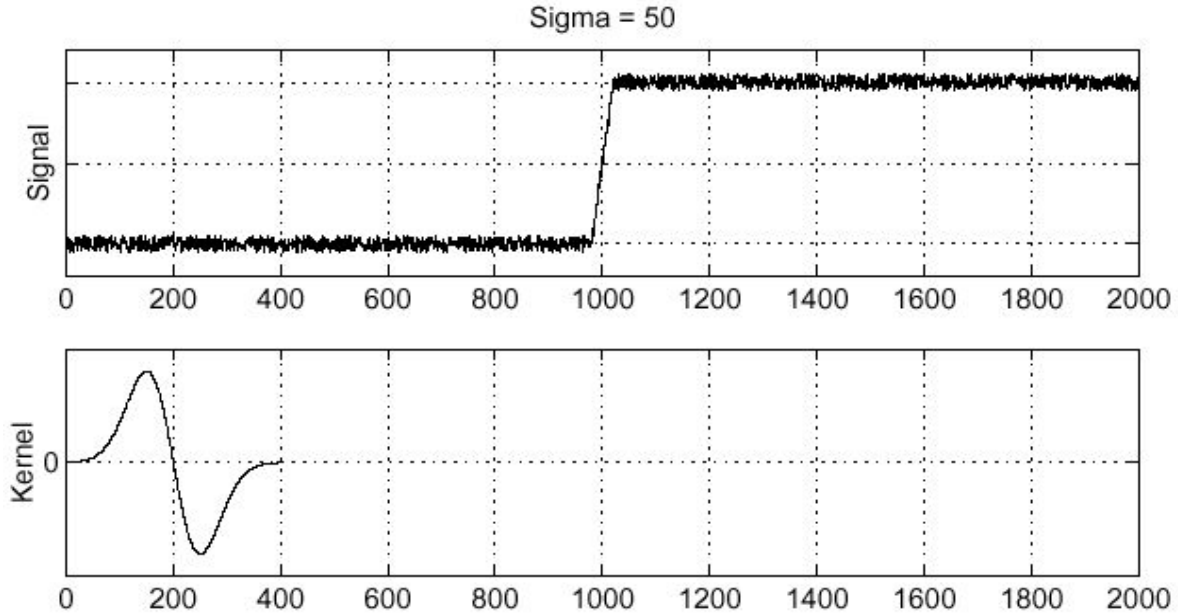

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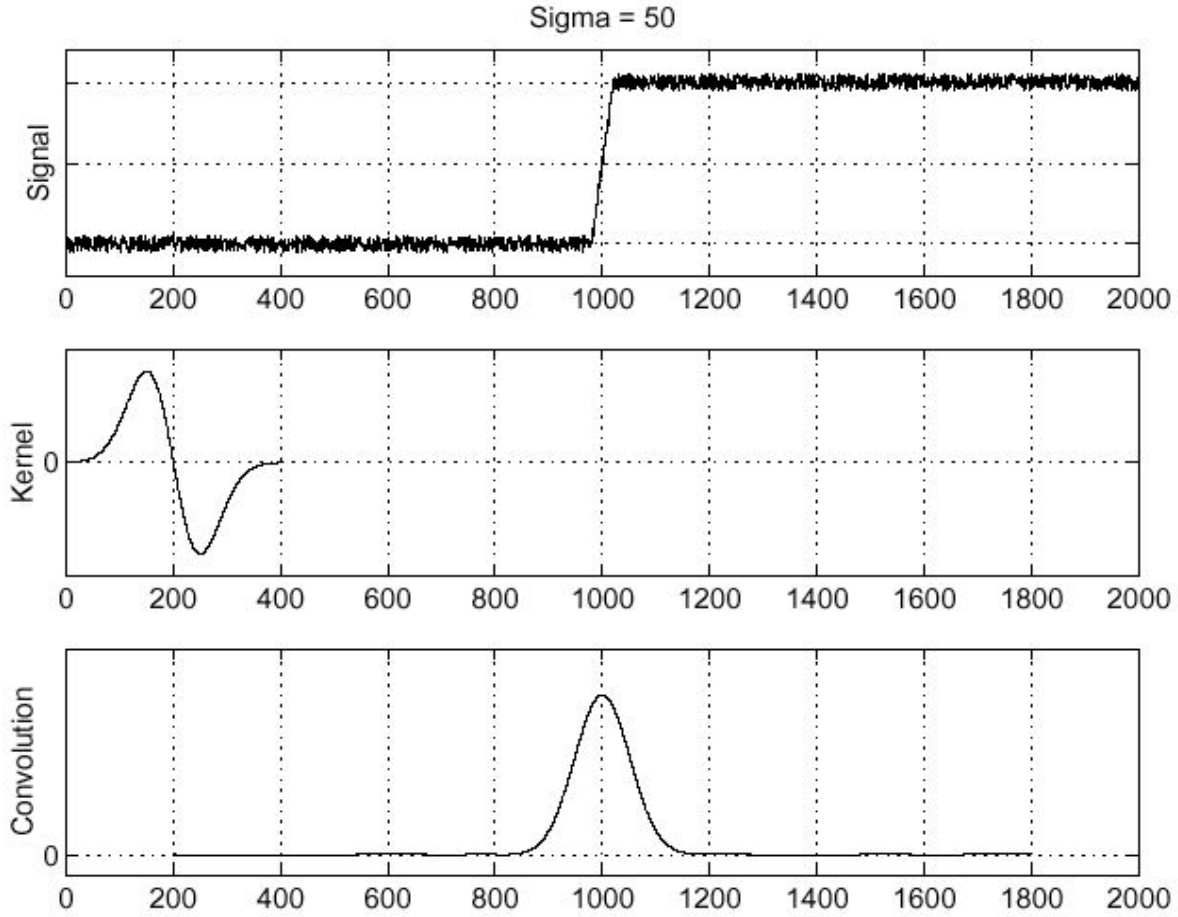

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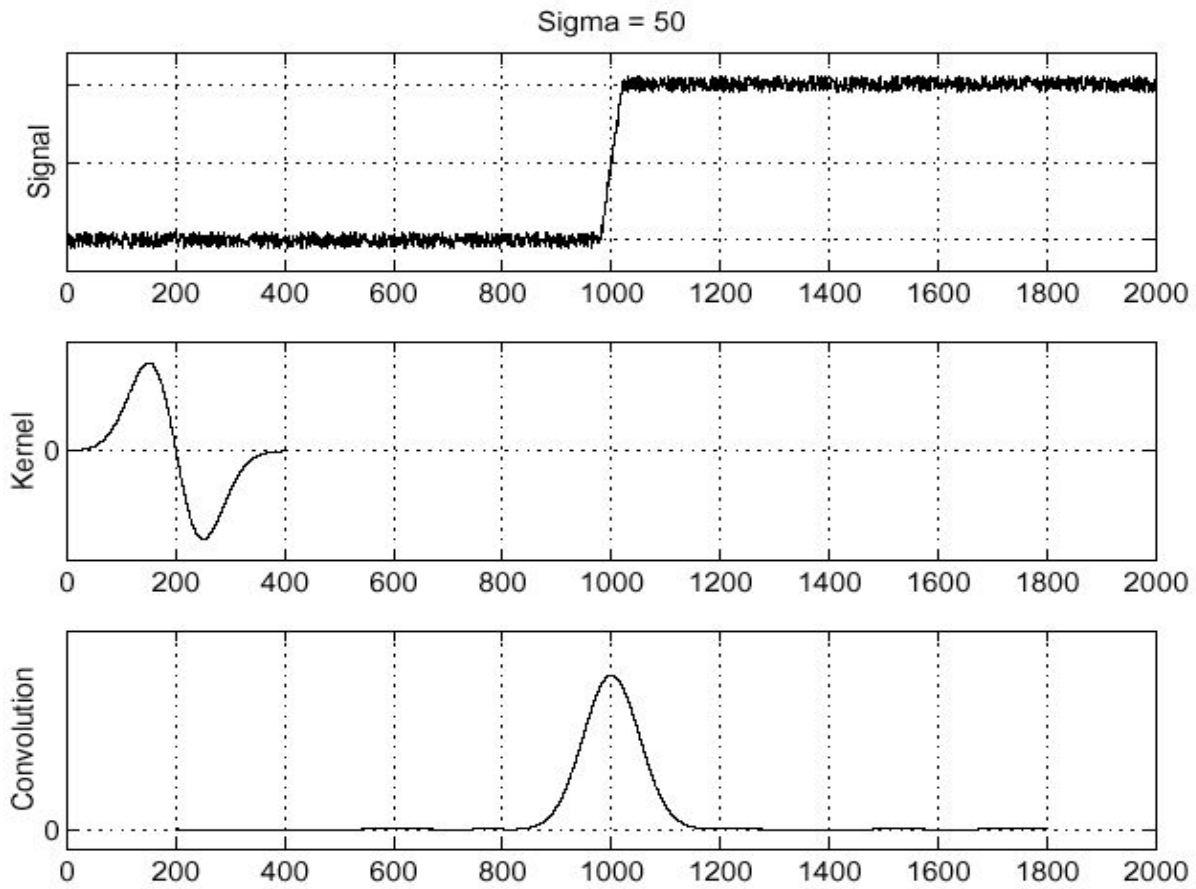

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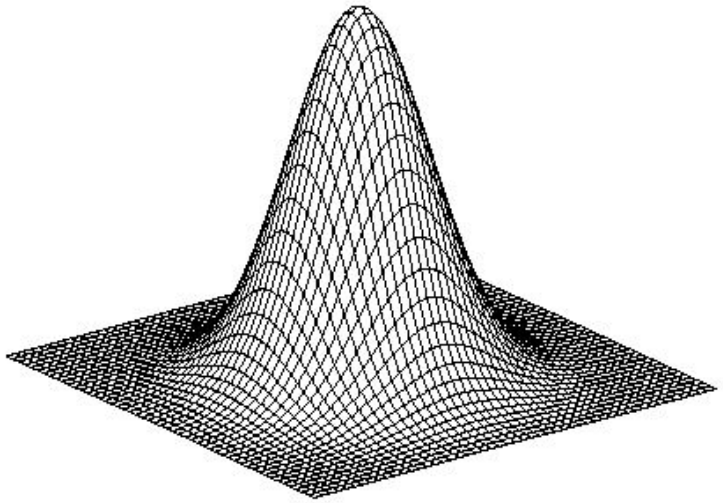
Derivative of Gaussian filter (central derivative)



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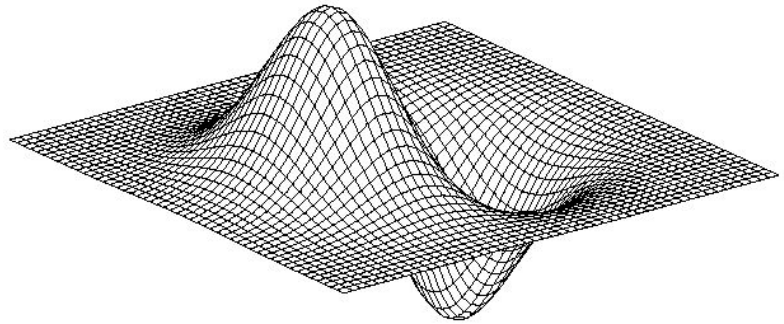

2D-gaussian

x - derivative

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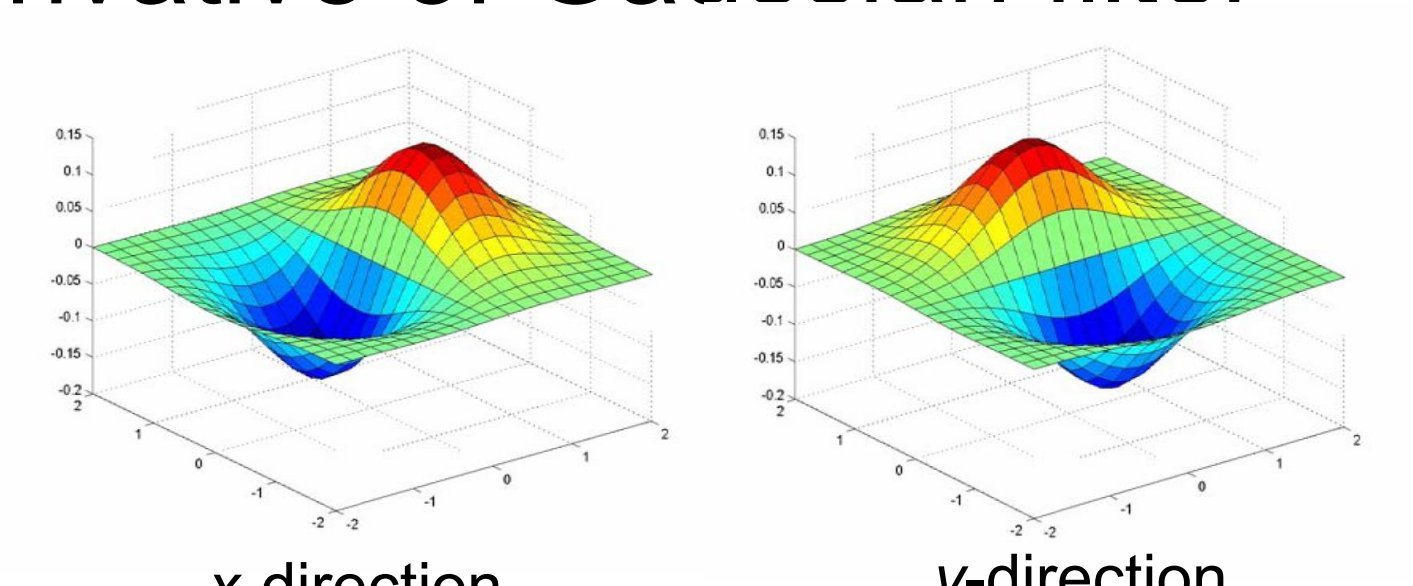
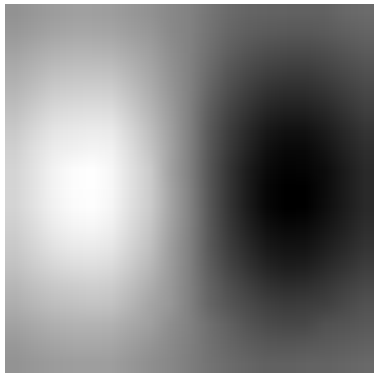
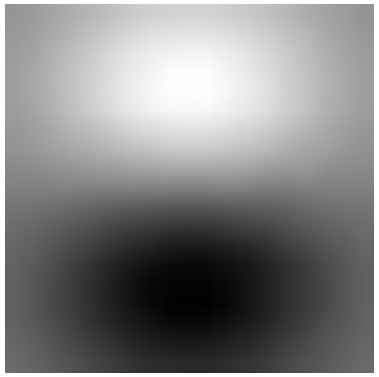


x-direction

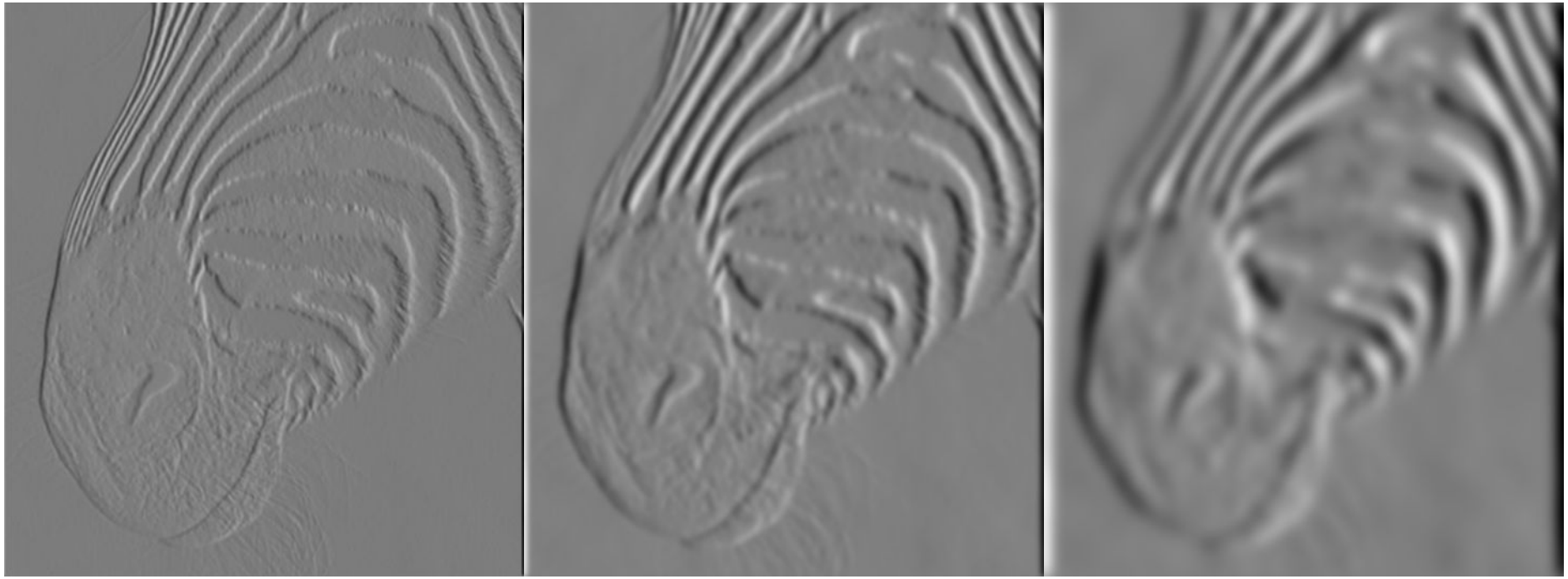
y-direction





Derivative of Gaussian filter

Tradeoff between smoothing at different scales



1 pixel 3 pixels 7 pixels

Smoothed derivative removes noise, but blurs edge.
Also finds edges at different “scales”.

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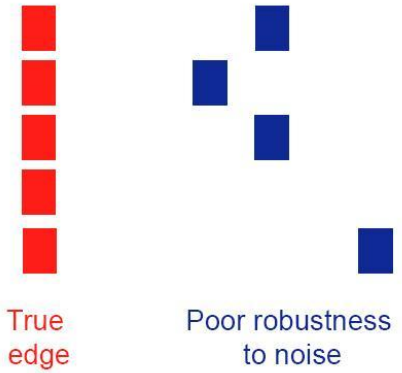

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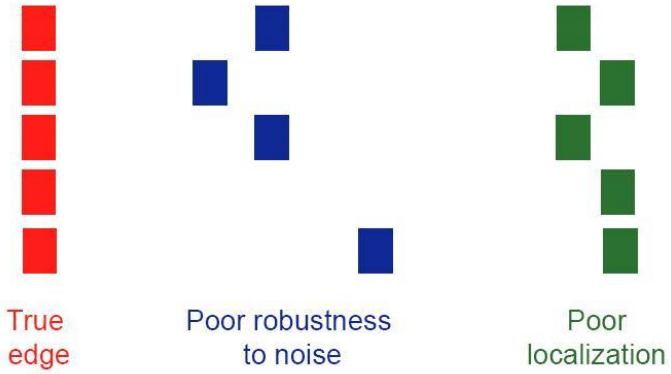

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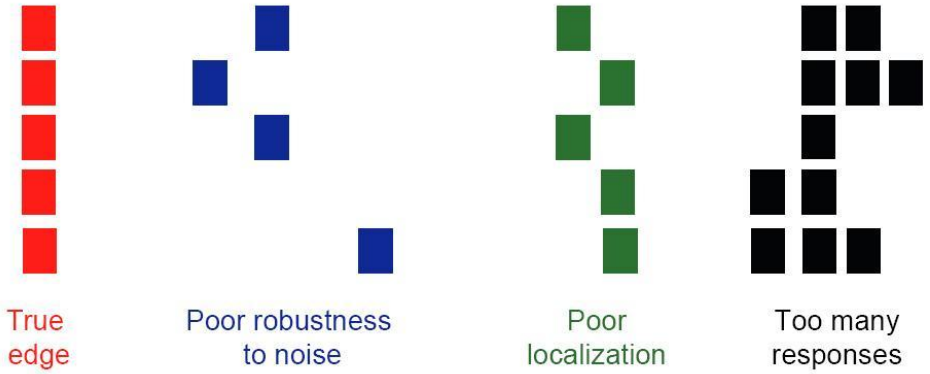
  - **Single response:** the detector must return one point only for each true edge point; that is, minimize the number of local maxima around the true edge



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- Sobel Edge detector

Sobel Operator

- uses two 3×3 kernels which are convolved with the original image to calculate approximations of the derivatives
- one for horizontal changes, and one for vertical

$$\mathbf{G}_x = \begin{bmatrix} +1 & 0 & -1 \\ +2 & 0 & -2 \\ +1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{G}_y = \begin{bmatrix} +1 & +2 & +1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sobel Operation

- Smoothing + differentiation

$$\mathbf{G}_x = \begin{bmatrix} +1 & 0 & -1 \\ +2 & 0 & -2 \\ +1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} +1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Gaussian smoothing

differentiation

Sobel Operation

- Magnitude:

$$\mathbf{G} = \sqrt{\mathbf{G}_x{}^2 + \mathbf{G}_y{}^2}$$

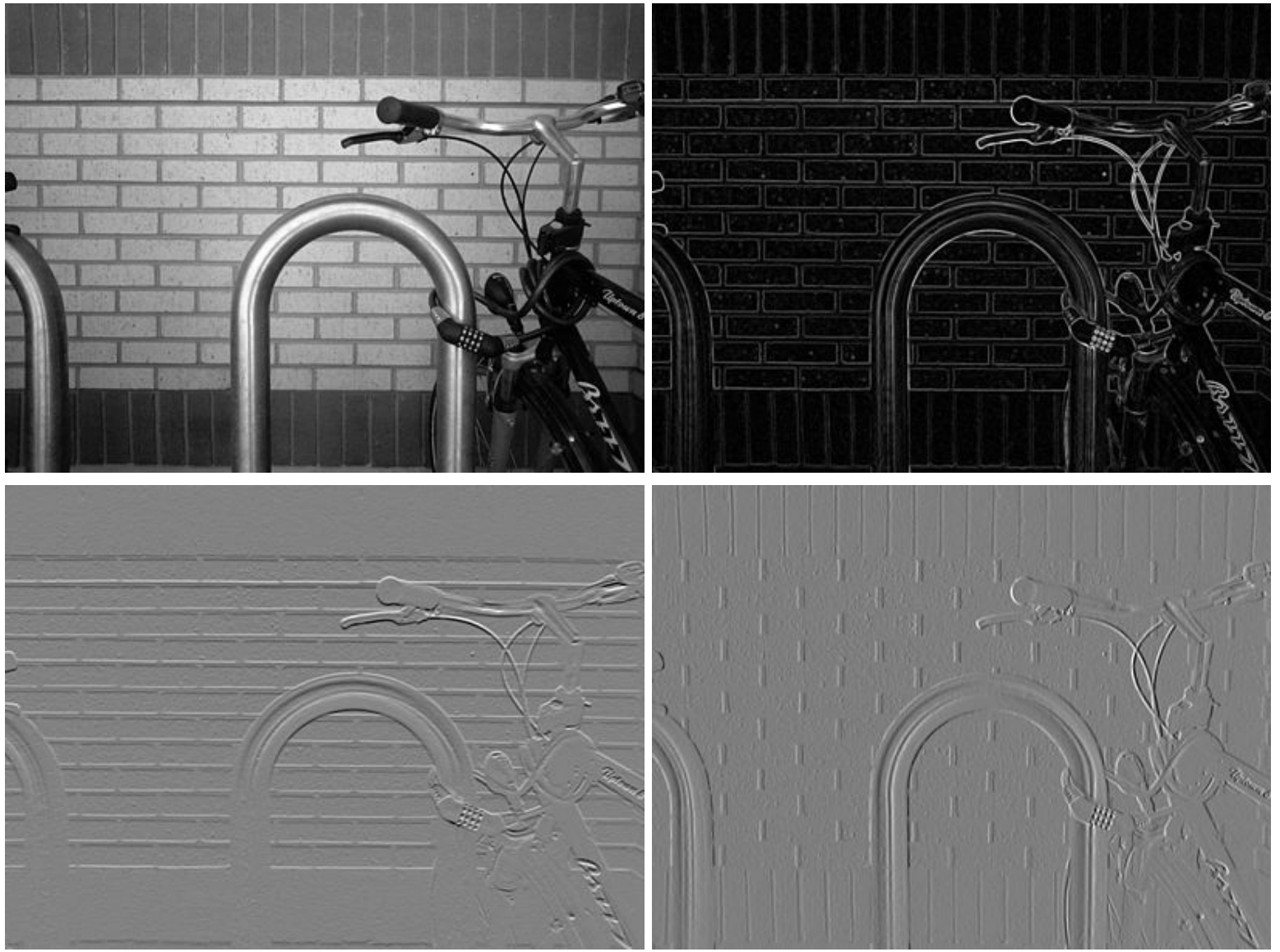
- Angle or direction of the gradient:

$$\mathbf{\Theta} = \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{\mathbf{G}_y}{\mathbf{G}_x}\right)$$

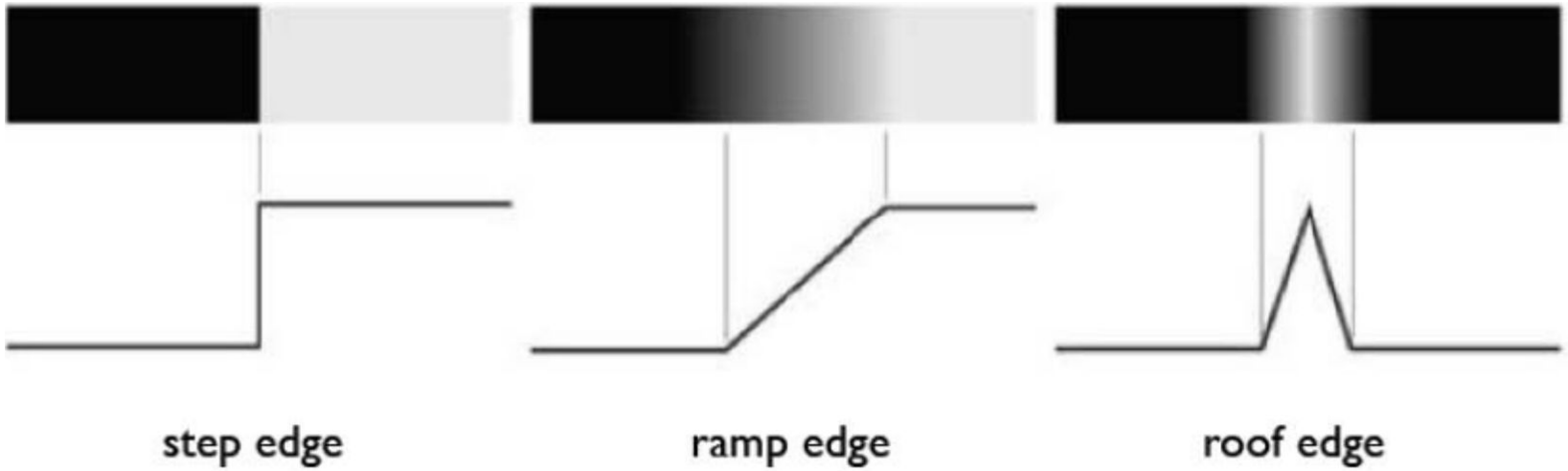
Sobel Filter example

Step 1: Calculate the gradient magnitude at every pixel location.

Step 2: Threshold the values to generate a binary image



Sobel Filter Problems



- Poor Localization (Trigger response in multiple adjacent pixels)
- Thresholding value favors certain directions over others
  - Can miss oblique edges more than horizontal or vertical edges
  - False negatives

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Next time: Lines and features