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# Data Selection for Nonlinear Diffusion Inpainting in Image Compression

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## *Abstract*

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Image compression is becoming more and more relevant as the size and resolution of images is continuously increasing. Compression techniques such as JPEG/JPEG-2000 are doing a great job of reducing an image's size in memory drastically. However, for high compression rates, the quality of the image starts to deteriorate and so called artifacts become more and more prominent. Thus, a novel compression technique aiming to surpass JPEG-2000 in both compression rate and quality has been developed. This technique uses an inpainting algorithm based on nonlinear diffusion. It is given a mask from the original image and reconstructs the image from that mask.

The goal of my thesis is to examine the results of this algorithm using masks consisting of image features such as corners and junctions.



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*dedicated to my cat*



## **Chapter 1**

# **Selection of interest points**