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Image Guided Surgery (4)

卷积运算和图像滤波

Convolution and image filters

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Convolution

Convolution *vs.* Correlation

- Given an image *f(x,y)* and a kernel *w(a,b)*
  - Convolution:

$$f * w = \sum_{\substack{(a,b)\in w \\ (x-a,y-b)\in f}} f(x-a, y-b)w(a,b)$$

  - Correlation:

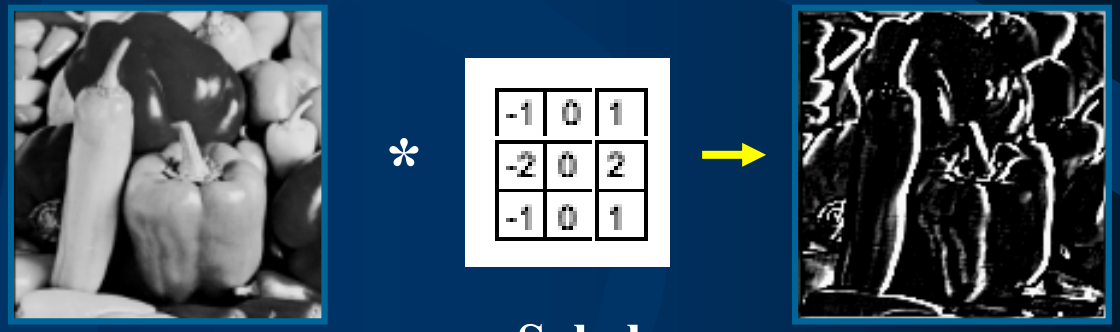
$$f \otimes w = \sum_{\substack{(a,b)\in w \\ (x+a,y+b)\in f}} f(x+a, y+b)w(a,b)$$

- Difference: Index is different.
  - Kernel asymmetric: convolution flips the kernel.

Convolution Application

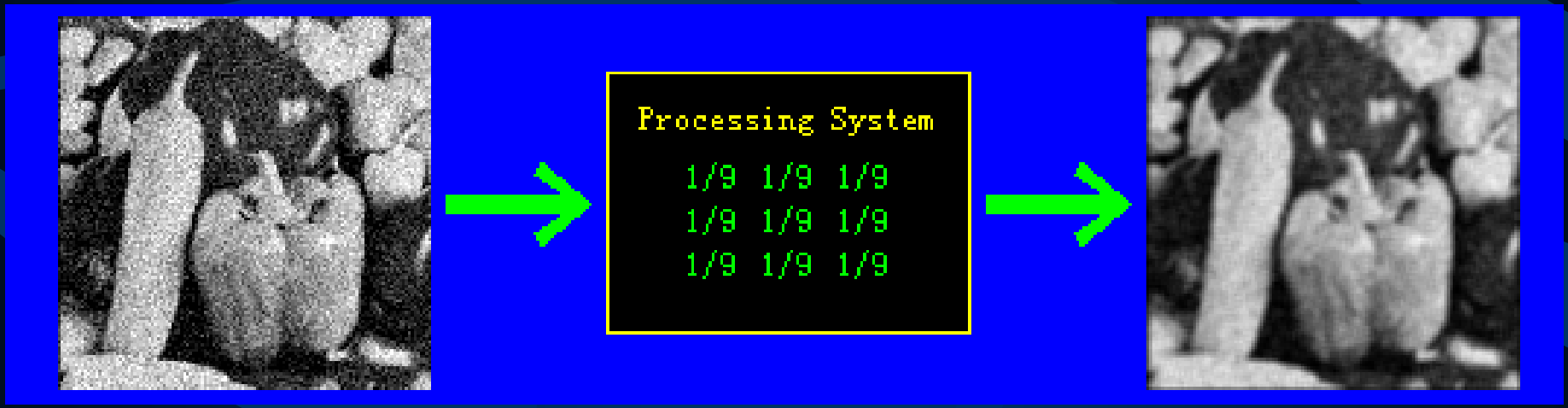
- CONVOLUTION is used for image processing in all of these things...
  - Multimedia
  - Special effects
  - Photo enhancement
  - Computer image analysis

And more!



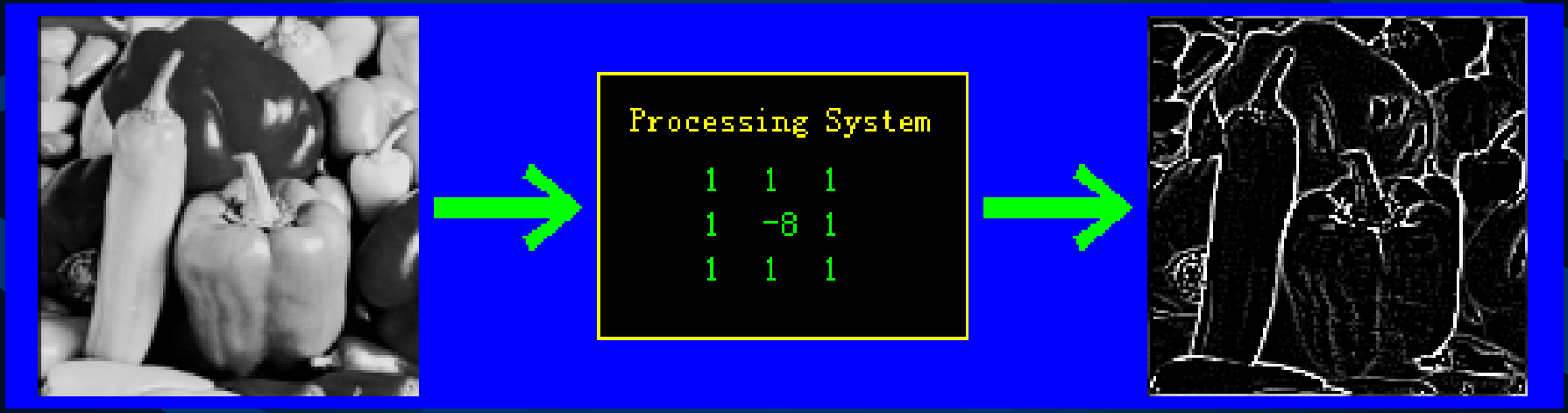
Convolution Application

- What happened to the image?
  - Noise removed
  - Image blurred
  - Edges sharpened
  - Shades inverted



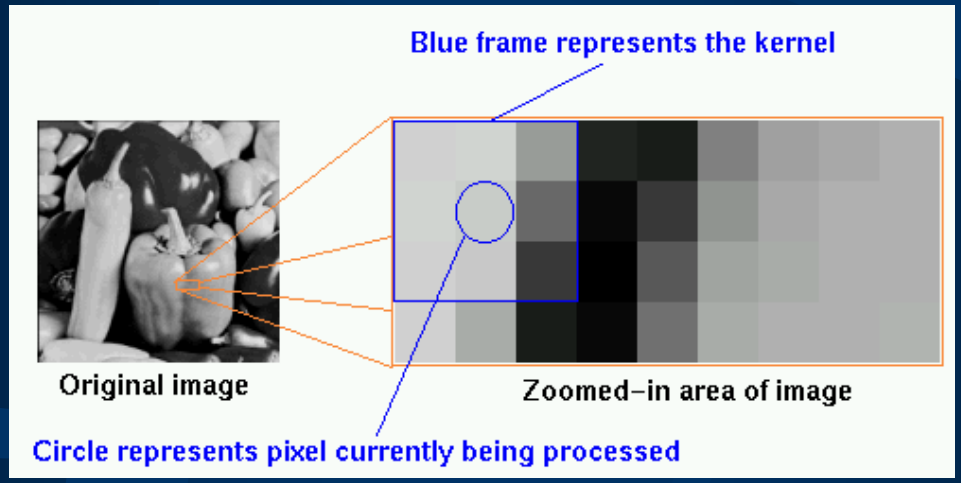
Convolution Application

- What effect(s) did the system have on the image?
  - 180 degree flip
  - Image inverted
  - Edges enhanced
  - Peppers colorized



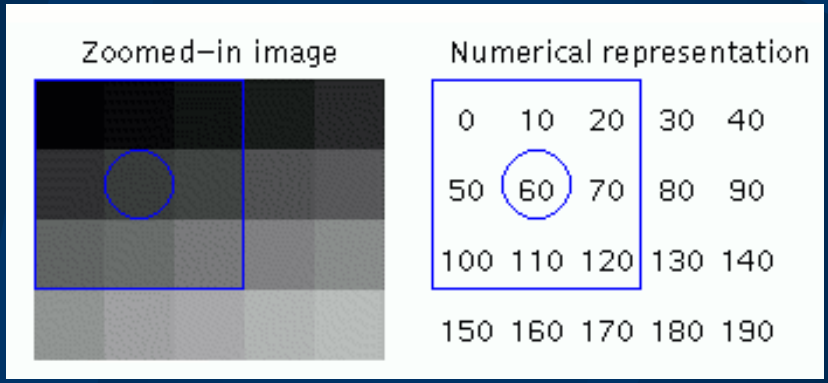
Convolution Kernel

- **Kernel**: The nine "magic" numbers from the processing system are grouped together into a bundle.
  - First, place the center of the kernel at the first position to be processed. The kernel can operate on this part of the image using convolution.
  - Pixel can be seen when zoomed in.



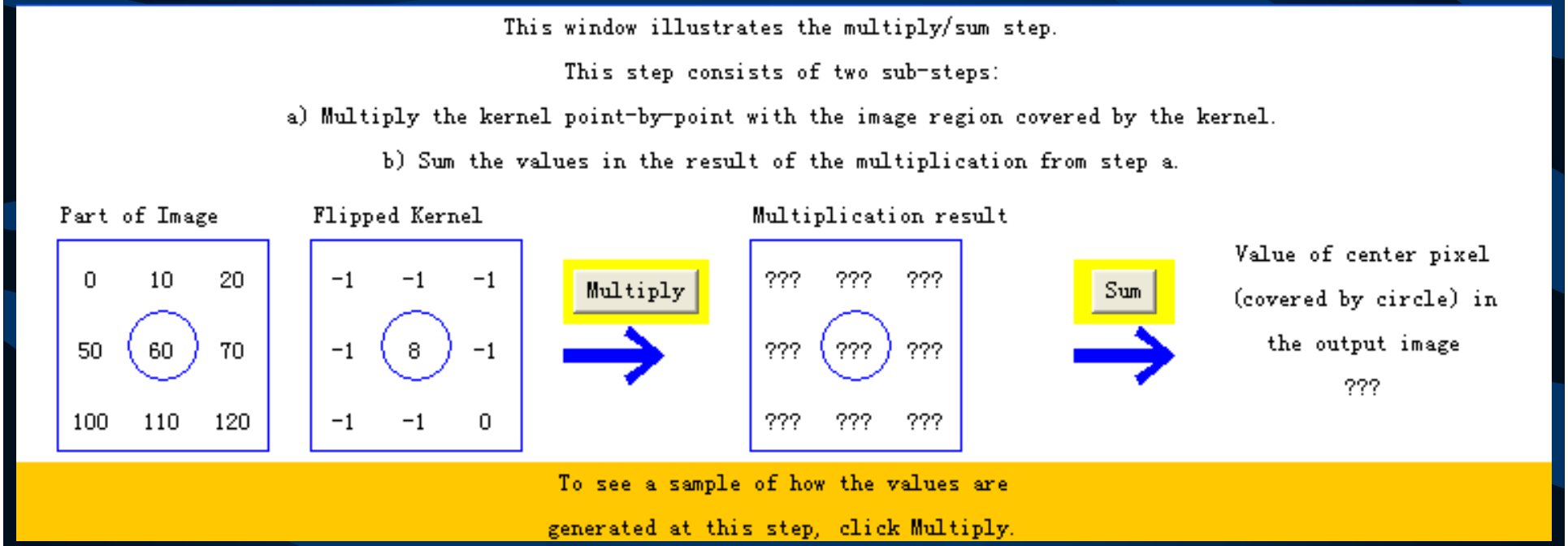
Convolution

- Convolution includes three steps:
  1. Position the center of the kernel at the first pixel of an image and flip the kernel.
  2. Multiply and sum.
  3. Slide to next pixel.
     Repeat steps 2 and 3 until the whole image is processed
- How kernel located in an image:

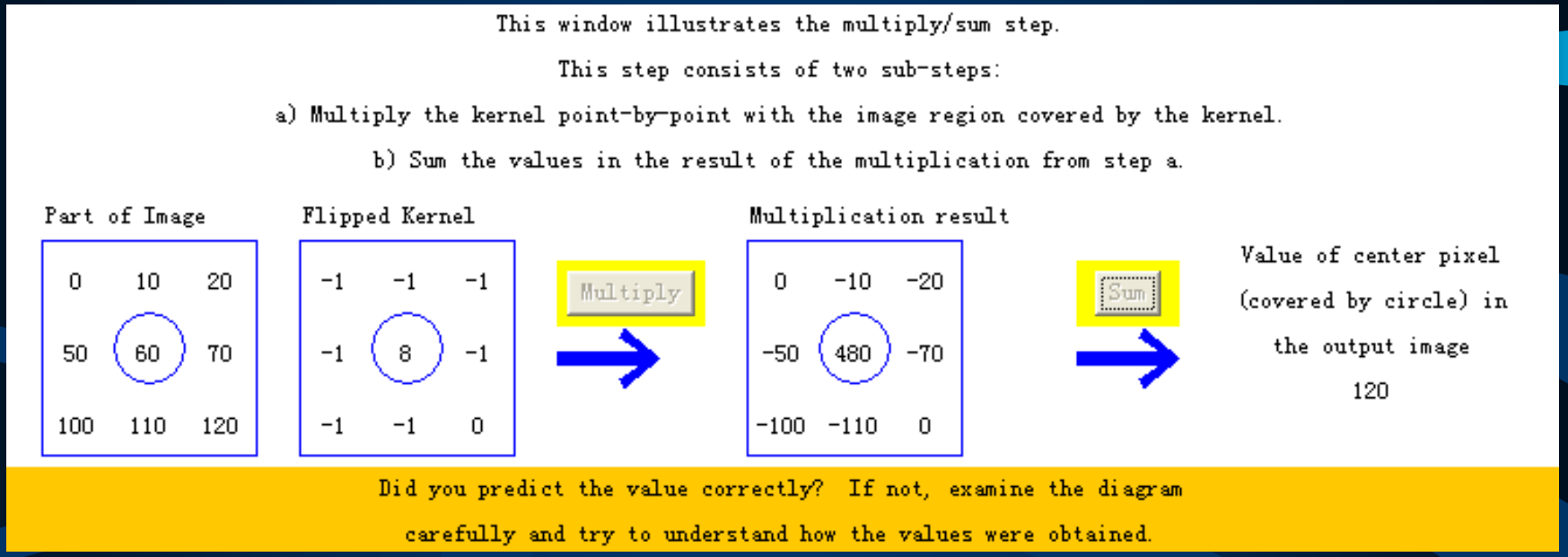


Convolution

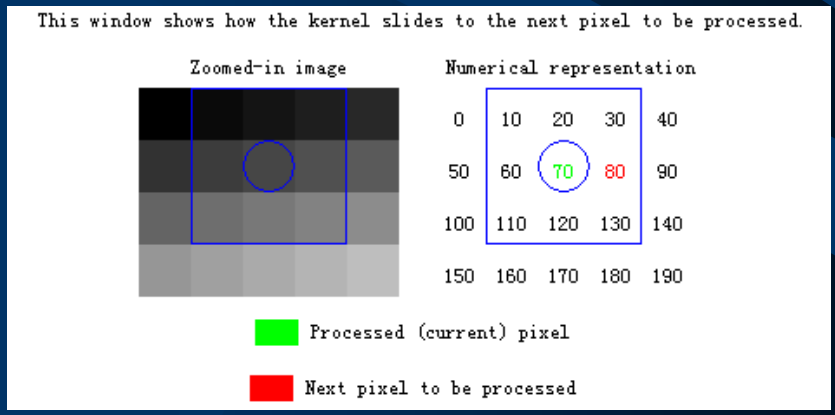
1. Flip the kernel (turn 180 degree)
2. Multiply and sum

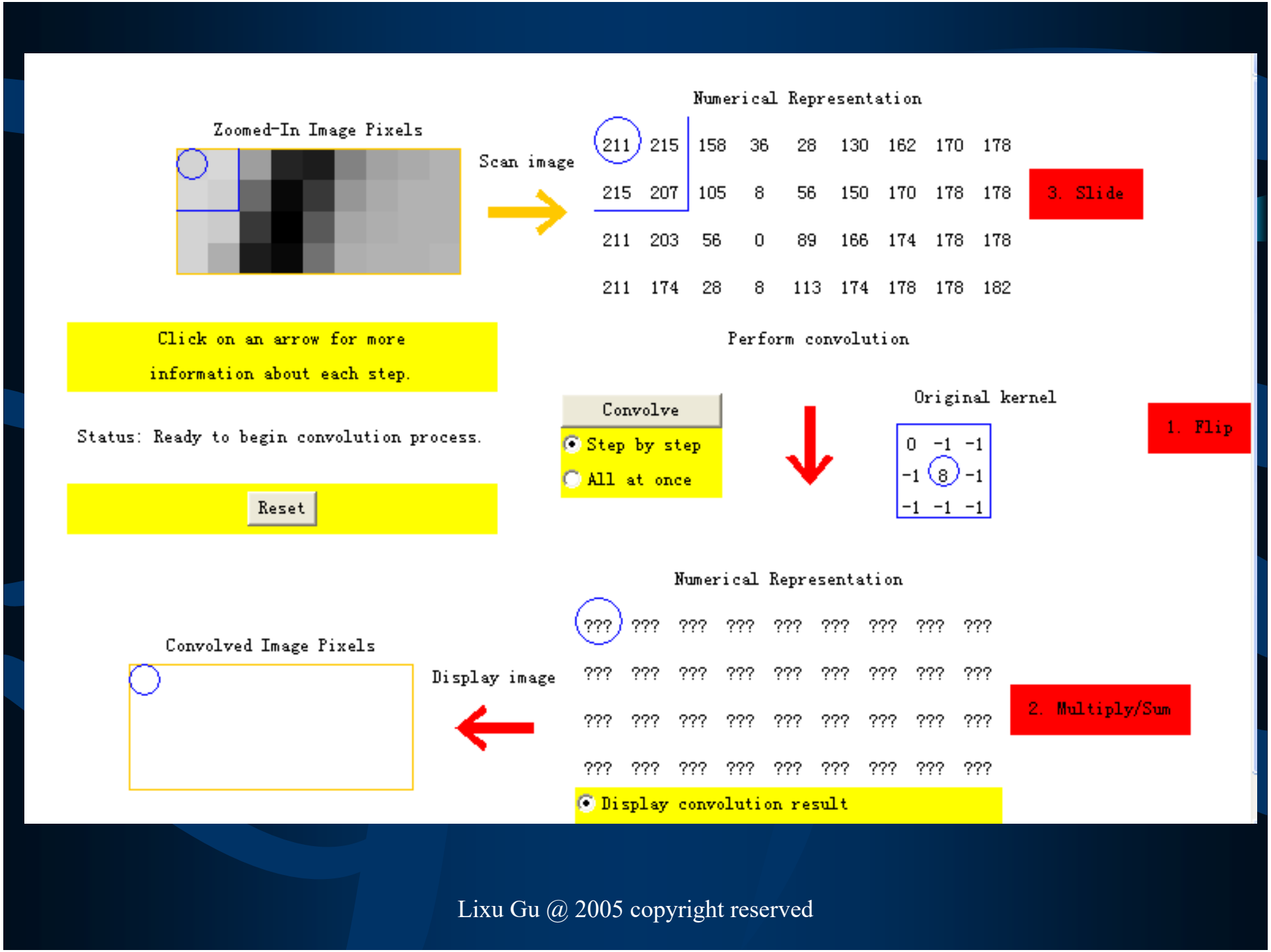


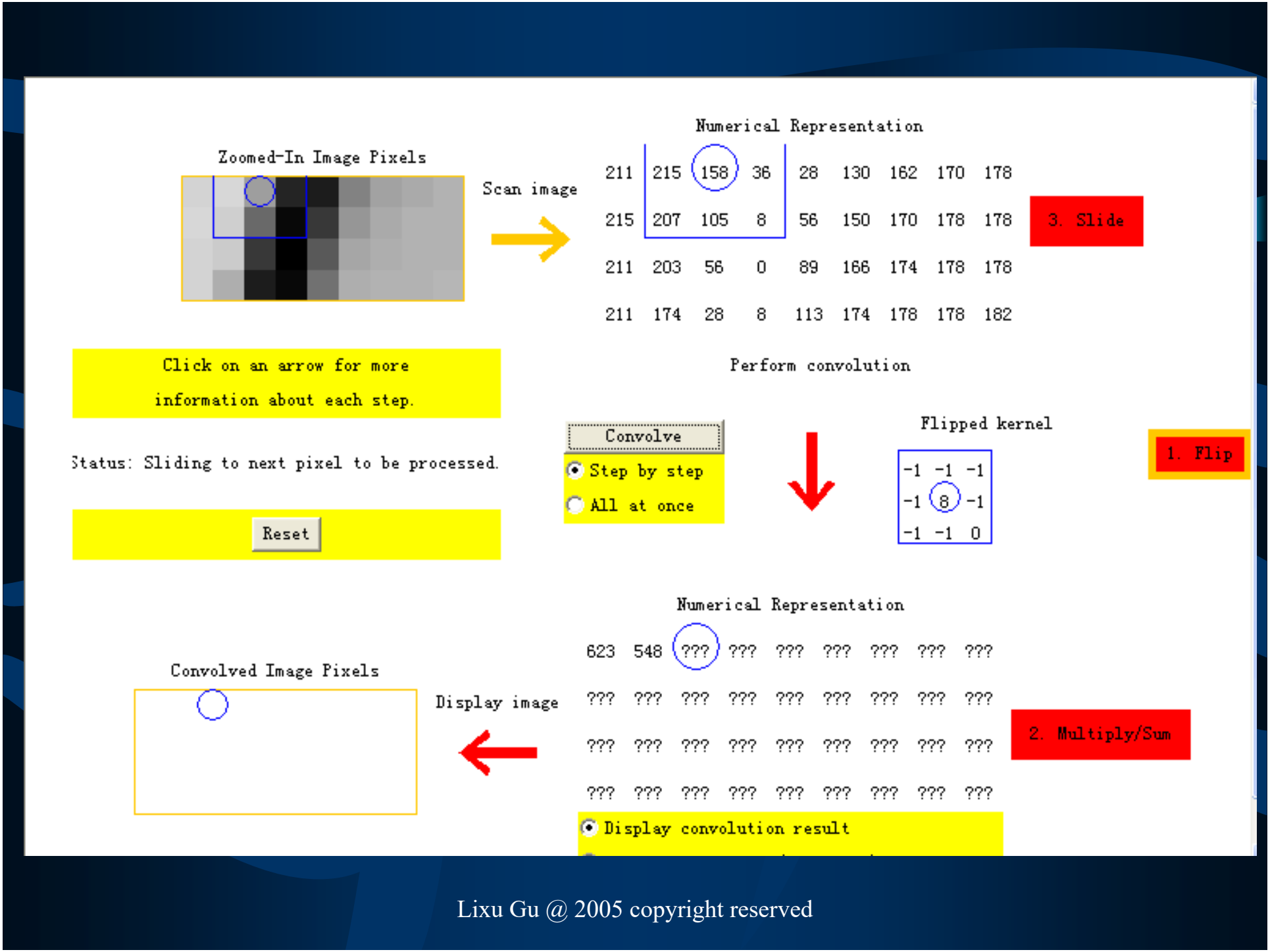
Convolution

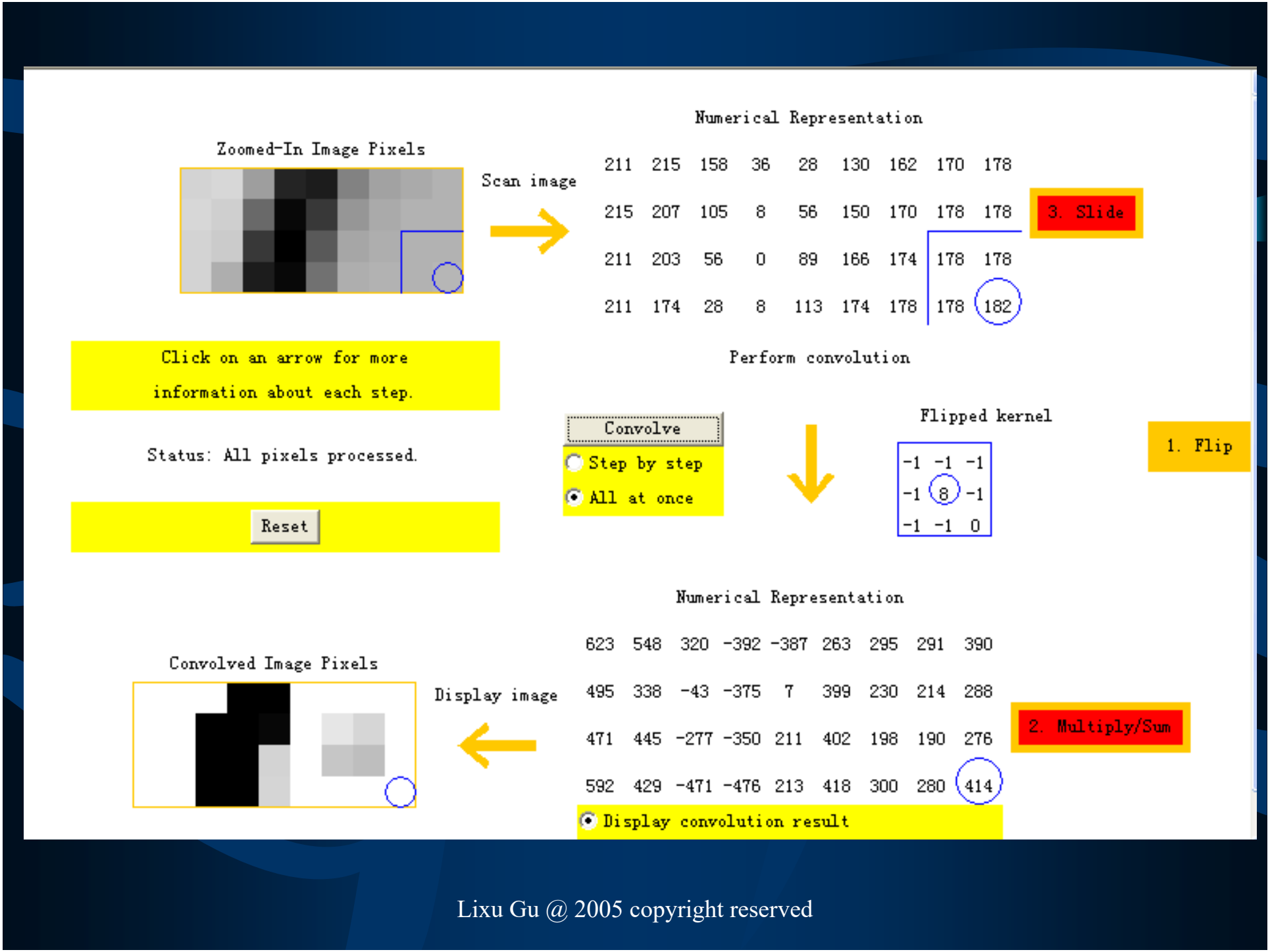


3. Slide to next pixel:









Edge Detection

What Is an Edge?

- An edge is a set of connected pixels that lie on the boundary between two regions
- The pixels on an edge are called edge points
- Position & orientation of edge
- Gray level discontinuity across an edge

How it comes?

- Different colors, brightness, textures, material, tissues, …
- Different normal directions of surfaces
- Different illuminance

Different Edges

Different color

Different brightness

Different Edges

Different texture

Different surfaces

Unique

- Most of edges are unique in space, i.e., its position and orientation keep the same in the space when viewing from different points
- Non-unique edge-Limb edge

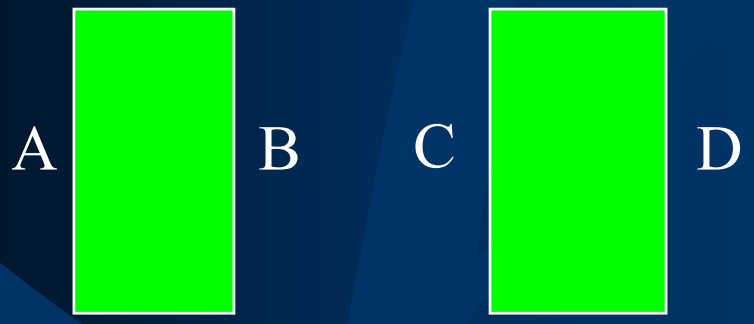
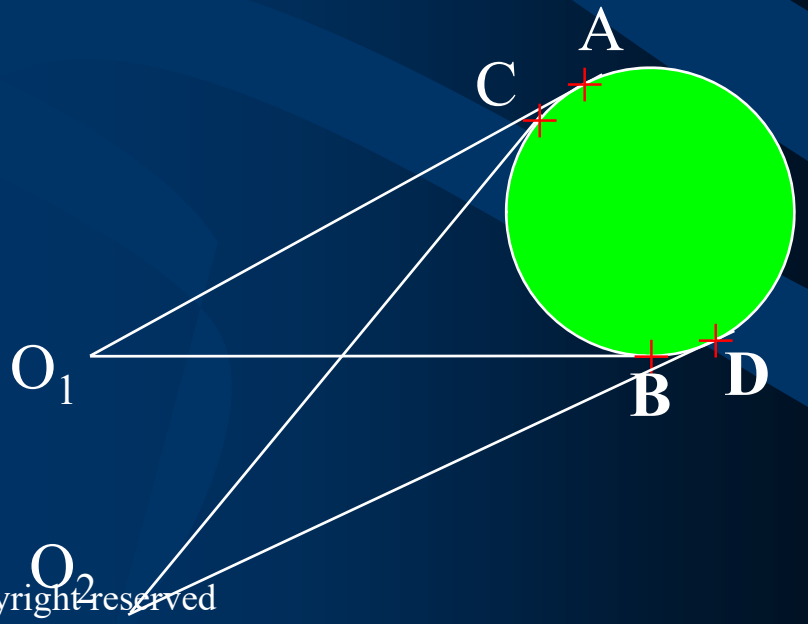


Image 1

Image 2



Edge Catagory

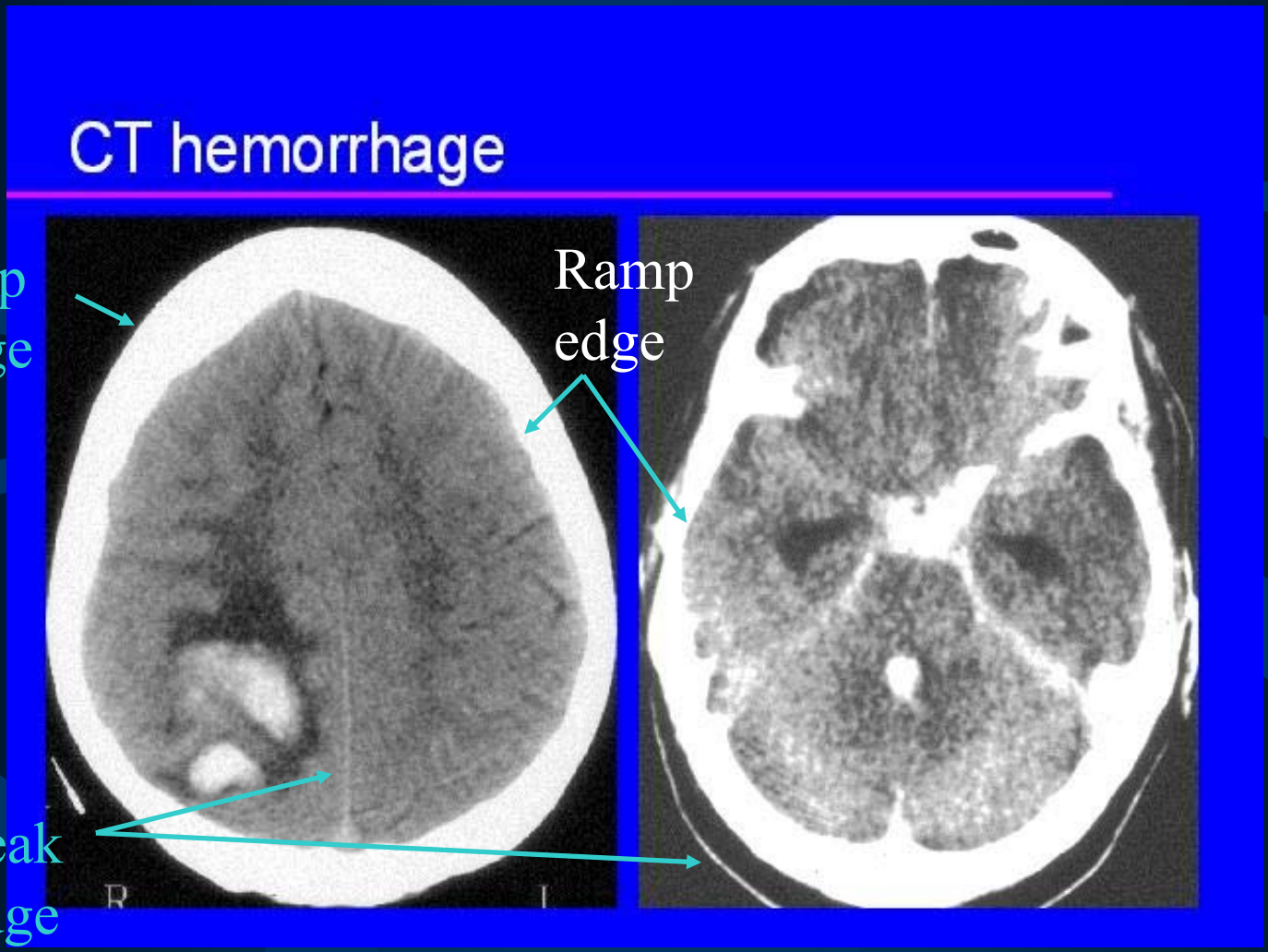
Gray level profile derivatives

- Step edge:

- Ramp edge:

- Peak edge:

Edge *vs.* CT Image



Gradient

- A point is defined as an edge point if its 2-D first or second -order derivative is greater than a specified threshold.
- Gradient of digital image, $f(x, y)$, is defined by ***a vector*:**

$$\nabla \mathbf{f} = \begin{bmatrix} G_x \\ G_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix}$$

Gradient

- Gradient at an edge point, (x,y), can also be interpreted as a complex number with its magnitude determined by

$$\nabla f(x,y) = mag(\nabla \mathbf{f}(x,y)) = \left[G_x^2 + G_y^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

and the direction determined by

$$\alpha(x,y) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{G_y}{G_x}\right)$$

Edge Operations

- The partial derivatives in x and y, G_x, G_y, can be estimated using different ways:

z_1	z_2	z_3
z_4	z_5	z_6
z_7	z_8	z_9

➢ Roberts operator:

$$G_x = (z_9 - z_5), \quad G_y = (z_8 - z_6)$$

➢ Prewitt operator:

$$G_x = (z_7 + z_8 + z_9) - (z_1 + z_2 + z_3)$$

$$G_y = (z_3 + z_6 + z_9) - (z_1 + z_4 + z_7)$$

➢ Sobel operator:

$$G_x = (z_7 + 2z_8 + z_9) - (z_1 + 2z_2 + z_3)$$

$$G_y = (z_3 + 2z_6 + z_9) - (z_1 + 2z_4 + z_7)$$

Edge Operations

- All operators can be performed by the convolution using different masks.
- Roberts operator masks:

-1	0
0	1

G_x

0	-1
1	0

G_y

Edge Operations

- Prewitt operator masks:

-1	-1	-1
0	0	0
1	1	1

G_x

-1	0	1
-1	0	1
-1	0	1

G_y

- Sobel operator masks:

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

G_x

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

G_y

Application

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

Sobel

Noise Reduction

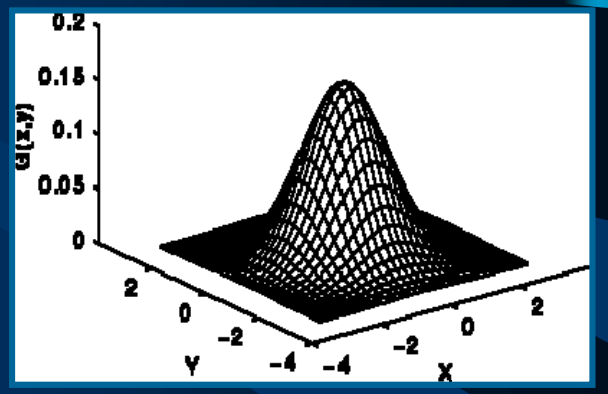
Noise Reduction

- Noise reduction is also called noise cleaning or smoothing.
- Coherence vs. incoherence:
  - Replace incoherent pixel values by values more specially coherent which are based on some or all the pixels in an appropriate neighbourhood.
- Two categories:
  - Convolution based: Gaussian smoothing, median filter
  - Morphology based: Opening, Closing (TBD)

Gaussian Reduction

- Gaussian kernel:

$$G(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

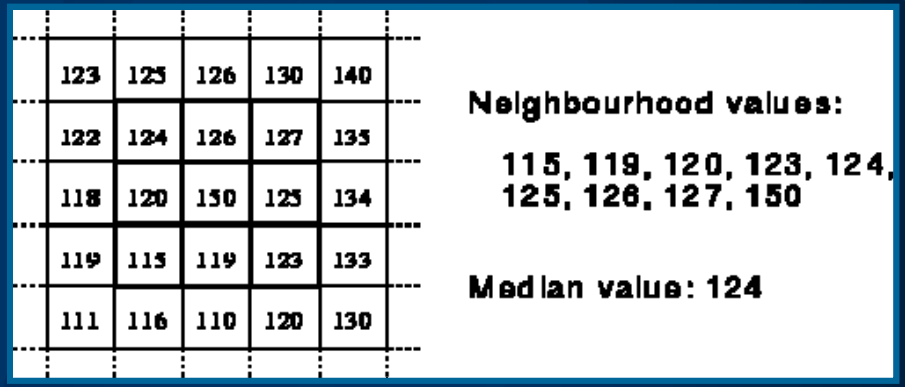


- The effect of Gaussian smoothing is to blur an image. The degree of smoothing is determined by the standard deviation σ of the Gaussian
- The Gaussian outputs a `weighted average' of each pixel's neighbourhood, with the average weighted more towards the value of the central pixels

Median Filter

1/9	1/9	1/9
1/9	1/9	1/9
1/9	1/9	1/9

- Mean Filter: The idea of mean filtering is simply to replace each pixel value in an image with the mean (`average') value of its neighbours, including itself.
- Median Filter: Instead of simply replacing the pixel value with the *mean* of neighbouring pixel values, replaces it with the *median* of those sorted values.



Gaussian *vs.* Median Filter

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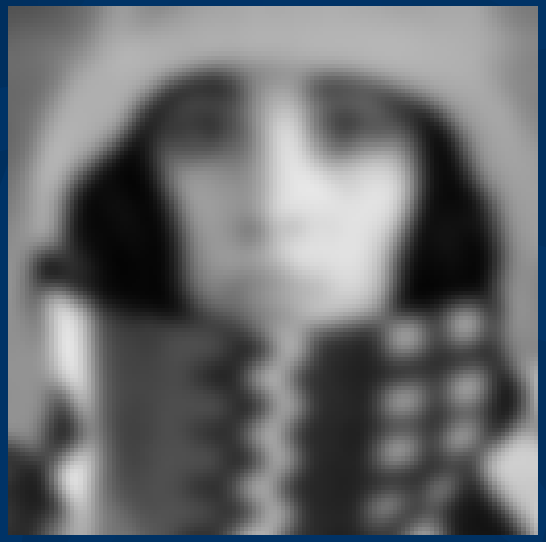


Gaussian (σ = 2.5)

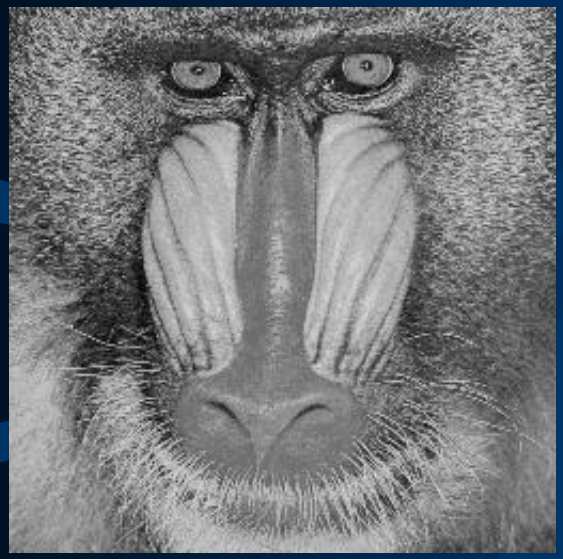
Median (5 X 5)

Projects

Project - 2

- Convolution and Image Filters
  - Requirement:
    - Program to realize the convolution operation and one of the next filters
      - ✓ Roberts operator; Prewitt operator; Sobel operator;
      - ✓ Gaussian filter and Median filter
    - Design proper UI and result display
    - The edge detection and noise reduction

Classic Image Samples



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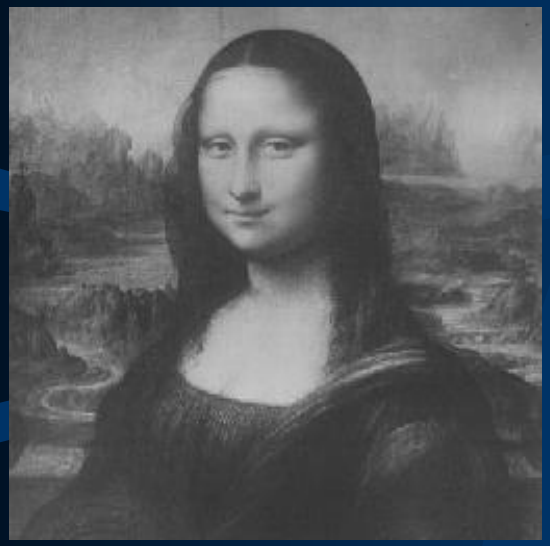

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