Computer Vision - Sheet 5

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1.1

The Quadratic function is submodular if

$$c(\beta - \gamma)^2 + c(\alpha - \delta)^2 - c(\beta - \delta)^2 - c(\alpha - \gamma)^2 >= 0$$
(1)

Ignoring the constants and expanding the terms:

$$\beta^2 - 2\gamma\beta + \gamma^2 + \alpha^2 - 2\delta\alpha + \delta^2 - \beta^2 + 2\delta\beta - \delta^2 - \alpha^2 + 2\gamma\alpha - \gamma^2 = -2\gamma\beta + 2\delta\beta = 2\beta(\delta - \gamma)$$
 (2)

Since $\delta > \gamma$, the expression is positive and the function submodular

1.2

Renaming the impulse function δ as I we obtain:

$$1 - I(\beta - \gamma) + 1 - I(\alpha - \delta) - 1 + I(\beta - \delta) - 1 + I(\alpha - \gamma) \tag{3}$$

For inputs: $\beta = \gamma = 1$ and $\delta = \alpha = 2$ we obtain:

$$1 - I(0) + 1 - I(0) - 1 + I(-1) - 1 + I(1) = -2$$

$$(4)$$

Therefore, the function is not submodular

