

Enhancement

Filtering

Additive model

$$\underbrace{f(x, y)}_{\text{observed image}} = \underbrace{u(x, y)}_{\text{unstained image}} + \underbrace{n(x, y)}_{\text{noise}}, \quad (x, y) \in \Omega$$

Method noise (\mathcal{D} is the denoising operator)

$$f(x, y) - \mathcal{D}\{f\}(x, y)$$

Ideal denoising operator \mathcal{D} should have

$$f(x, y) - \mathcal{D}\{f\}(x, y) \sim \mathcal{N}(\cdot | \mu, \sigma)$$

An isotropic Gaussian filter

$$G_\sigma(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$
$$u(x, y) = G_\sigma(x, y) * f(x, y)$$

Implementation (suppress the high frequency information)

$$u(x, y) = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ e^{-2\pi^2\sigma^2(\xi_1^2+\xi_2^2)} \hat{f}(\xi_1, \xi_2) \right\}$$

Scale Space

Heat Equation

Green's Theorem

$$\underbrace{\oint_{\partial\Omega} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} ds}_{\text{Outward Flux}} = \underbrace{\iint_{\Omega} \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N}{\partial y} \right) dx dy}_{\text{Divergence}}$$

Heat flow is a vector field

$$V(x, y, t) = -c(x, y) \nabla u(x, y, t)$$

where $\nabla = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right)$, $c(x, y)$ is the thermal conductivity.

Temperature change over Ω_p

$$-\oint_{\partial\Omega_p} V(x, y, t) \cdot \vec{n} ds = -\iint_{\Omega_p} \text{div}(V(x, y, t)) dx dy$$

Taking the limit of $|\Omega_p| \rightarrow 0$, the rate of change becomes

$$\frac{\partial u(x, y, t)}{\partial t} = \text{div}(c(x, y) \nabla u(x, y, t))$$

Isotropic Diffusion

Solve $u(x, y, t)$ from a PDE

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$
$$u(x, y, 0) = f(x, y)$$

Frequency domain

$$u(x, y, t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \hat{u}(\xi_1, \xi_2, t)$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \hat{u}(\xi_1, \xi_2, t) = -4\pi^2 (\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2) \hat{u}(\xi_1, \xi_2, t) \quad (\text{differentiation property})$$
$$\hat{u}(\xi_1, \xi_2, 0) = \hat{f}(\xi_1, \xi_2).$$

Solution

$$\hat{u}(\xi_1, \xi_2, t) = \hat{u}(\xi_1, \xi_2, 0) e^{-4\pi^2 (\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2) t}$$

Equivalent to Gaussian smoothing

$$g_\tau(x, y) = \frac{1}{4\pi\tau} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{4\tau}}, \quad \tau = \frac{\sigma^2}{2}$$
$$u(x, y, \tau) = g_\tau(x, y) * f(x, y)$$
$$u(x, y, 0) = f(x, y)$$

Anisotropic Diffusion

$$u_t = \text{div}(c(x, y, t) \nabla u)$$
$$= c_x u_x + c u_{xx} + c_y u_y + c u_{yy}$$
$$= \nabla c \cdot \nabla u + c \nabla^2 u$$

Choice of $c(x, y, t)$

$$c(x, y, t) = e^{-(\|\nabla u\|/k)^2}$$
$$\text{or } c(x, y, t) = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{\|\nabla u\|}{k}\right)^2}.$$

Method noise

Taylor expansion trick

$$u(x, y, \tau) = u(x, y, 0) + \tau u_t(x, y, 0) + O(\tau^2)$$

Hence,

$$f - \mathcal{D}\{f\} = -\tau u_t(x, y, 0) + O(\tau^2)$$

For different methods

$$f - \mathcal{GF}\{f\} = -\tau \nabla^2 f + O(\tau^2)$$
$$f - \mathcal{AD}\{f\} = -\tau \text{div}(c(x, y, 0) \nabla f) + O(\tau^2)$$

Calculus of variations

$$1. E(y) = \int_{\Omega} F(x, y, y') dx, \quad \min_y E(y), \quad \Omega: [a, b]$$

$$\forall \eta(x), \text{ s.t. } \eta(a) = \eta(b) = 0$$

$$\Phi(\varepsilon) = E(y + \varepsilon\eta) = \int_{\Omega} F(x, y + \varepsilon\eta, y' + \varepsilon\eta') dx$$

$$\partial_{\eta} E = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Phi(\varepsilon) - \Phi(0)}{\varepsilon} = \Phi' \Big|_{\varepsilon=0}$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \varepsilon}(x, y + \varepsilon\eta, y' + \varepsilon\eta') dx$$

$$\text{weak} = \int_{\Omega} F_y \cdot \eta + F_{y'} \cdot \eta' dx = F_{y'} \cdot \eta \Big|_a^b + \int_{\Omega} (F_y - \frac{d}{dx}(F_{y'})) \cdot \eta dx$$

$$\text{strong} = \int_{\Omega} (F_y - \frac{d}{dx}(F_{y'})) \cdot \eta dx$$

$$\text{Since } \eta \text{ is arbitrary, } \frac{\partial E}{\partial y} = (F_y - \frac{d}{dx}(F_{y'})) = 0$$

$$2. E(y) = \int_{\Omega} F(x, y, y', \dots, y^{(n)}) dx$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial y} = F_y - \frac{d}{dx}F_{y'} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{d^n}{dx^n} F_{y^{(n)}} = 0$$

$$3. E(u) = \iint_{\Omega} F(x, y, u, u_x, u_y) dx dy$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial u} = F_u - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F_{u_x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} F_{u_y} = 0$$

$$4. E(y, z) = \int_{\Omega} F(x, y, z, y', z') dx$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial E}{\partial y} = F_y - \frac{d}{dx} F_{y'} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial E}{\partial z} = F_z - \frac{d}{dx} F_{z'} = 0 \end{cases}$$

Total Variance Denoising

Energy function

$$\min_u \iint_{\Omega} \underbrace{\|\nabla u\|}_{\text{total variation}} + \frac{\lambda}{2} (f - u)^2 dx dy.$$

E-L equation

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\delta E}{\delta u} &= \lambda(u - f) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{u_x}{\sqrt{u_x^2 + u_y^2}} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{u_y}{\sqrt{u_x^2 + u_y^2}} \right) \\ &= \lambda(u - f) - \operatorname{div} \left(\frac{\nabla u}{\|\nabla u\|} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Method noise

$$f - TVD\{f\} = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \operatorname{curv}(TVD\{f\})$$

Solve PDE

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