

Introduction to Computational and Biological Vision - Assignment 2

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Question 1 - Edge Detection

Section A

Given $I(x, y) = x + \sin y$

And the following Edge Detectors:

E_1 = edge detector based on the local maximum of $|\nabla I|$

E_2 = Edge detector based on finding the ZC of the Laplacian ΔI

Compute analytically the edge points detected by each of the edge detectors:

For E_1 :

first eval $|\nabla I|$:

$$|\nabla I| = \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \right) = \|(1, \cos y)\| = \sqrt{1^2 + \cos^2(y)}$$

we got an expression that independent of x , so we will assume that any x will work, and find the extramum for y:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} |\nabla I| &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\sqrt{1^2 + \cos^2(y)} \right) = -\frac{\sin(2y)}{2\sqrt{1 + \cos^2(y)}} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} |\nabla I| &= 0 \\ -\frac{\sin(2y)}{2\sqrt{1 + \cos^2(y)}} &= 0 \\ \sin(2y) &= 0 \\ y &= \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi k, \pi k, \forall k \in \mathbb{N} \end{aligned}$$

and now for the second derviative:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} |\nabla I| &= -\frac{4 \cos(2y) (1 + \cos^2(y)) + \sin^2(2y)}{4 (1 + \cos^2(y)) \sqrt{1 + \cos^2(y)}} \\ \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} |\nabla I| \right)_{y=\frac{\pi}{2}} &= -\frac{4 \cos(2(\frac{\pi}{2})) (1 + \cos^2(\frac{\pi}{2})) + \sin^2(2(\frac{\pi}{2}))}{4 (1 + \cos^2(\frac{\pi}{2})) \sqrt{1 + \cos^2(\frac{\pi}{2})}} \\ &= -\frac{4 \cos(\pi) (1 + \cos^2(\frac{\pi}{2})) + \sin^2(\pi)}{4 (1 + \cos^2(\frac{\pi}{2})) \sqrt{1 + \cos^2(\frac{\pi}{2})}} \\ &= 1 \\ \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} |\nabla I| \right)_{y=\pi} &= -\frac{4 \cos(2(\pi)) (1 + \cos^2(\pi)) + \sin^2(2(\pi))}{4 (1 + \cos^2(\pi)) \sqrt{1 + \cos^2(\pi)}} \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

for the first assignment of y we got positive value, so its not an extramum point.

so we got that $(x, \pi k) \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ is our extremum points.
for E_2 :
lets calc the laplacian:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta I &= \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} \\ &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (x + \sin y) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} (x + \sin y) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (1) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\cos(y)) \\ &= 0 - \sin(y) \\ &= \sin(y)\end{aligned}$$

lets find all the points where $\Delta I = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta I &= 0 \\ \sin(y) &= 0 \\ y &= \pi k \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}\end{aligned}$$

so our edge points according to E_2 are: $(x, \pi k) \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$.
The result are identical, but its clearly that the computations of E_2 are much more simpler.

Question 2 - Parametric Curves

Section A

The parametric equation of a straight line in 3D is $a(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$.

The parametric equation of a straight line in 2D is $a_{2d}(t) = (x(t), y(t))$.

Without loss of generality, we assume that the center of projection is at the origin.

Upon projection onto the plane $z = f$, the image of the point (x_0, y_0, z_0) is:

$$\begin{aligned}x_i &= \frac{f}{z(t)} \cdot x(t) \\ y_i &= \frac{f}{z(t)} \cdot y(t)\end{aligned}$$

Dividing both equation will evaluate: $\frac{x_i}{y_i}$ we get: $\frac{f \cdot x(t)}{z(t)} \cdot \frac{z(t)}{f \cdot y(t)} = \frac{x(t)}{y(t)}$

And we know that $a(t)$ is a straight line in 3D, so for every t, $\frac{x(t)}{y(t)} = m$ for some constant m which is the slope of $a(t)$. So, the **projection also has a constant slope, hence it is a straight line.**

Section B