

# 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  $\Delta I$

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 extramum 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.