

CMPT 732-G200 Practices for Visual Computing

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Images

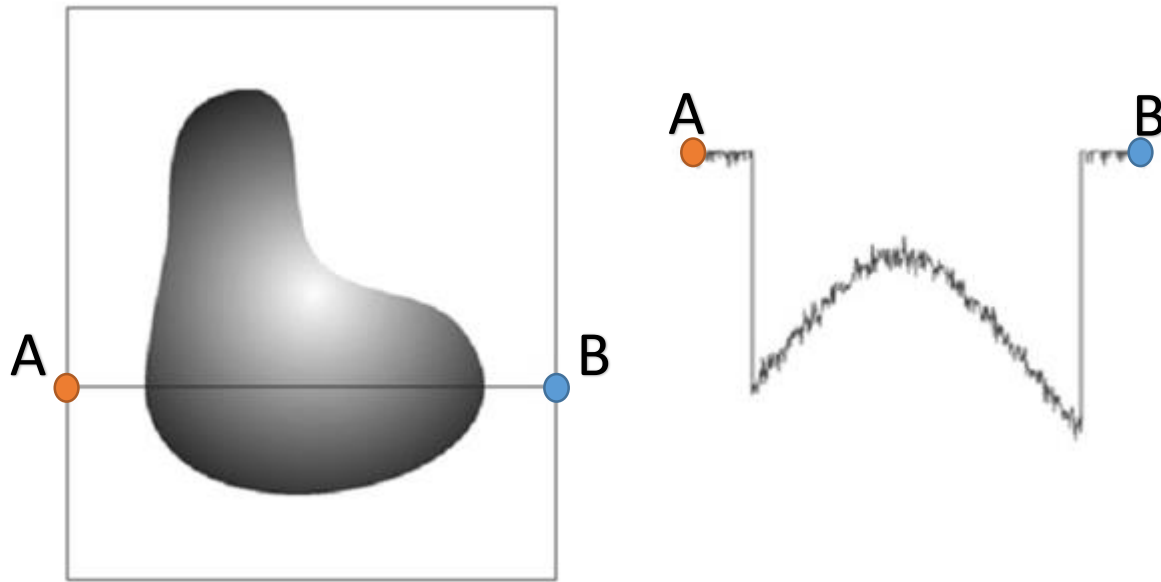
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Images

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- Each pixel has integer values
 - 1 value for grey scale
 - 3 values for RGB images

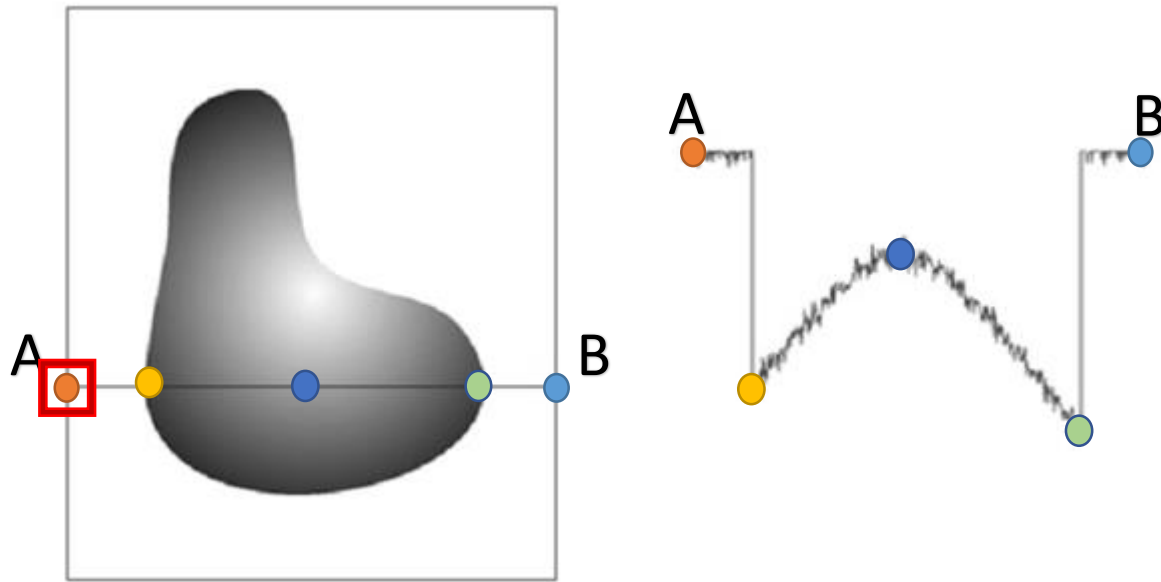
Digitizing Images

- Images are capturing continuous phenomena

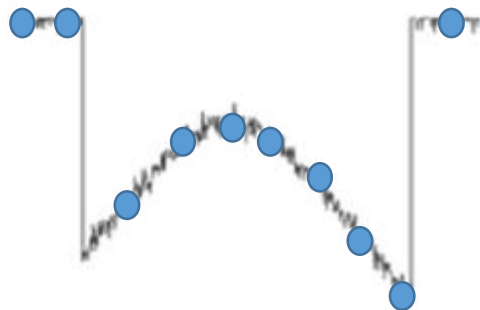
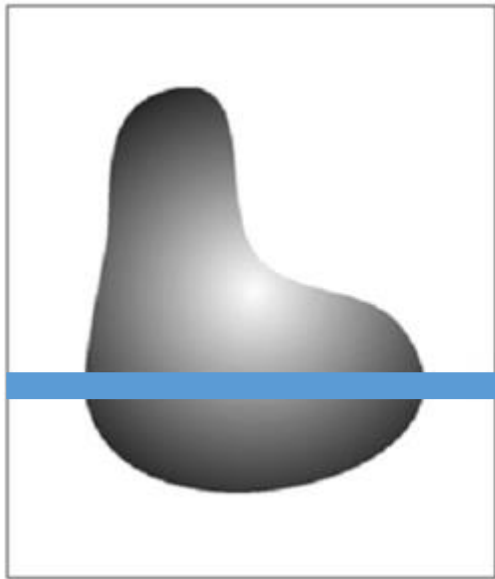


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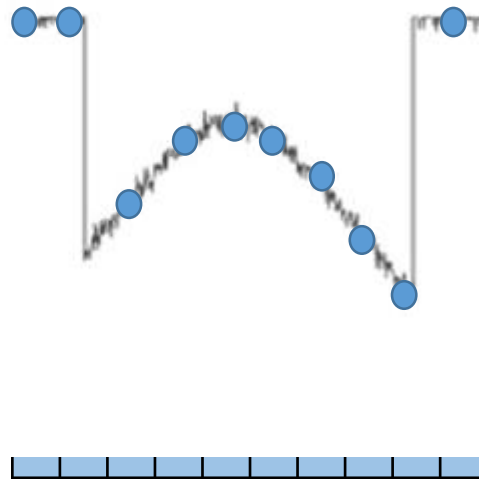
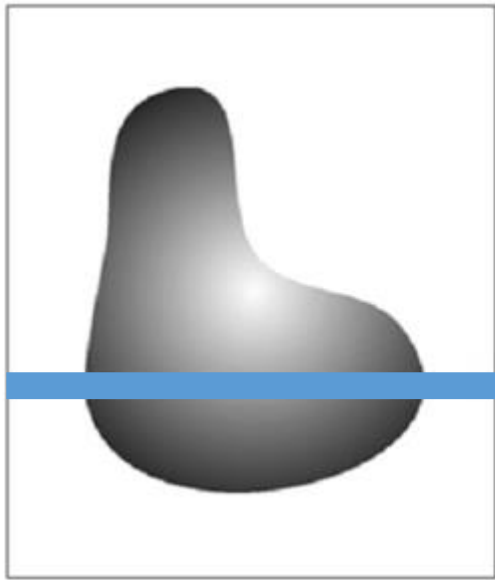


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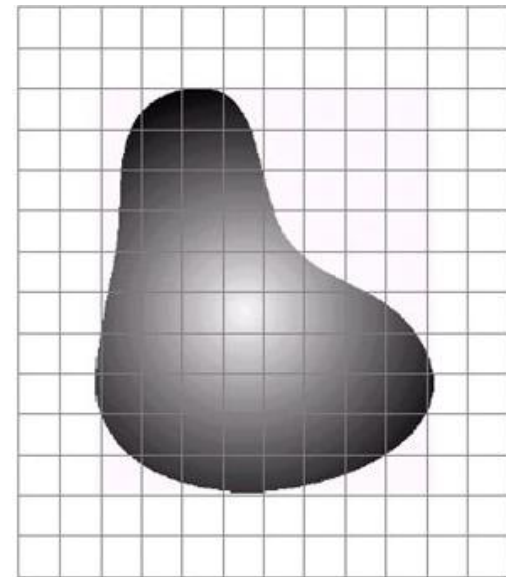


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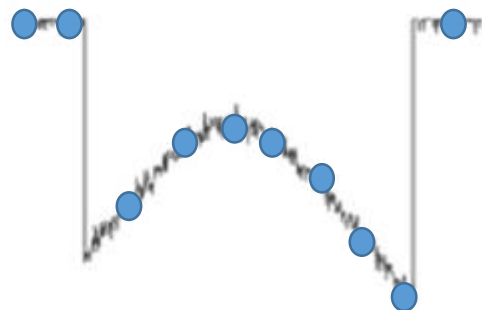
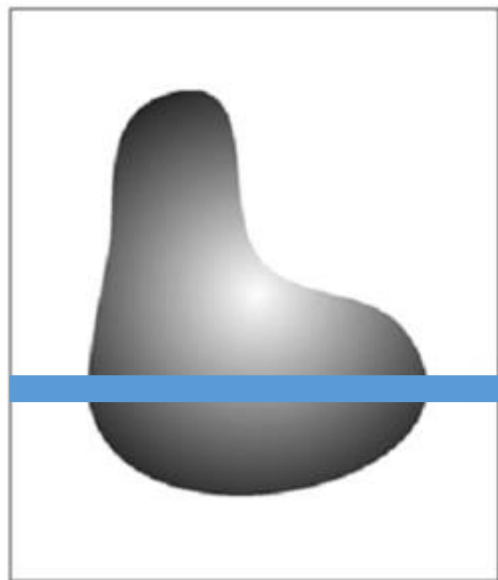
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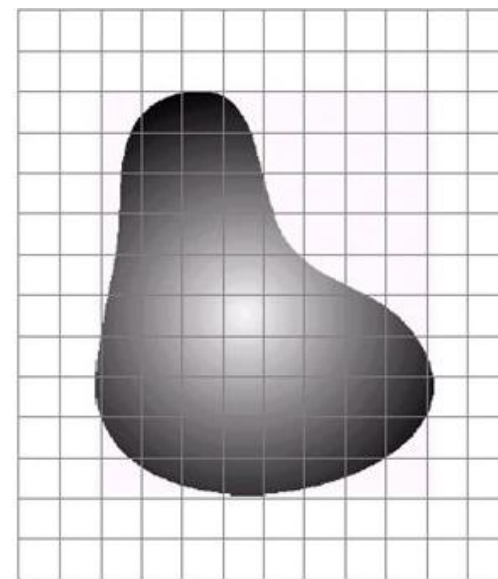
Quantization



Sampling



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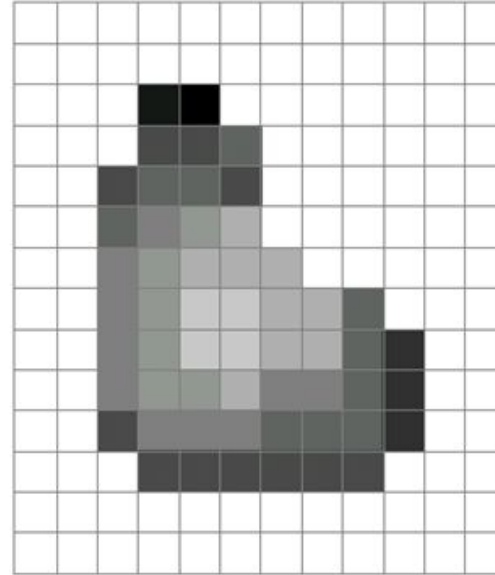
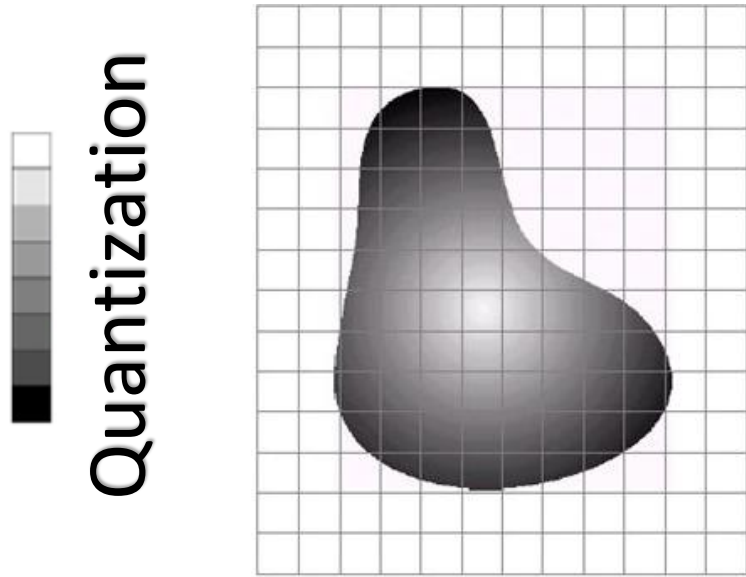


Image Artifacts

- What kind of image artifact is the result of quantization?

Image Artifacts

- Saturation



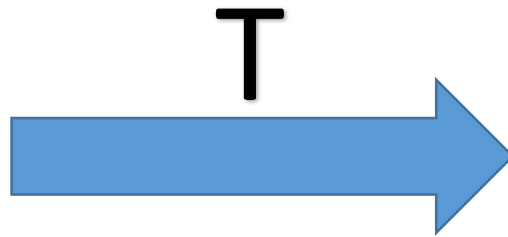
Image Enhancement

- Can we turn on the lights?



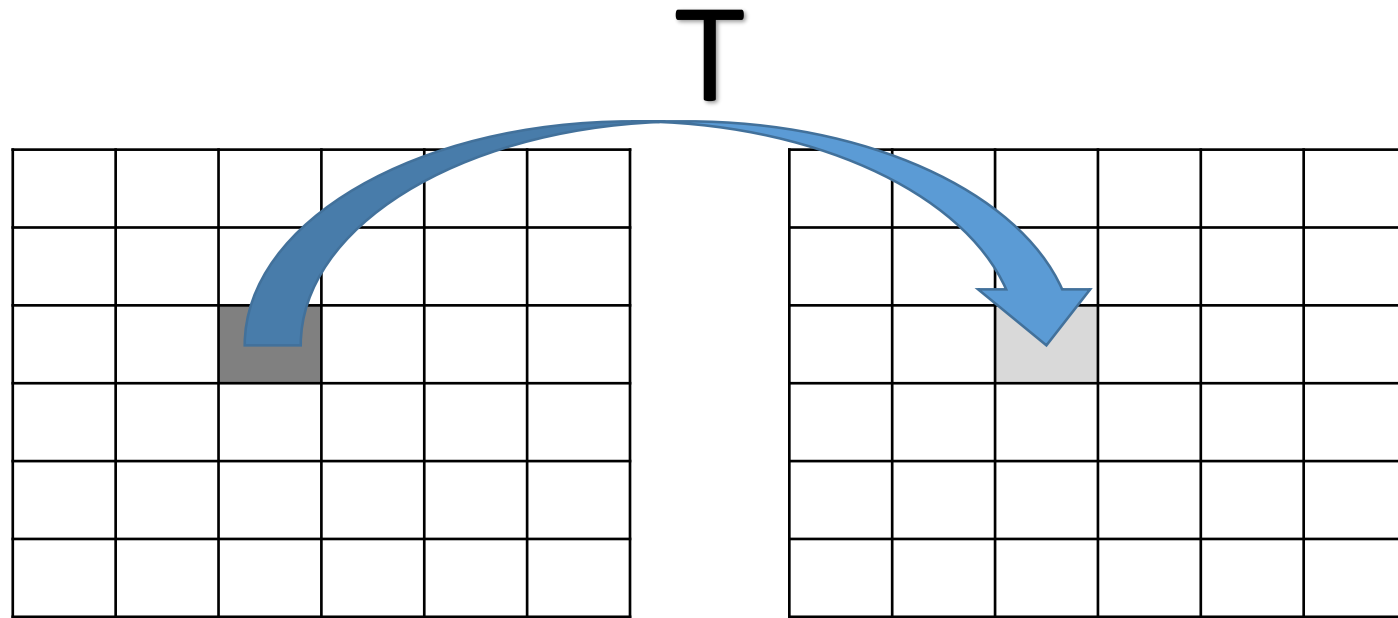
Image Enhancement

- Finding a transformation to re-arrange the pixel value distribution.



Transformations

- Pixel to pixel
 - No information about neighborhood

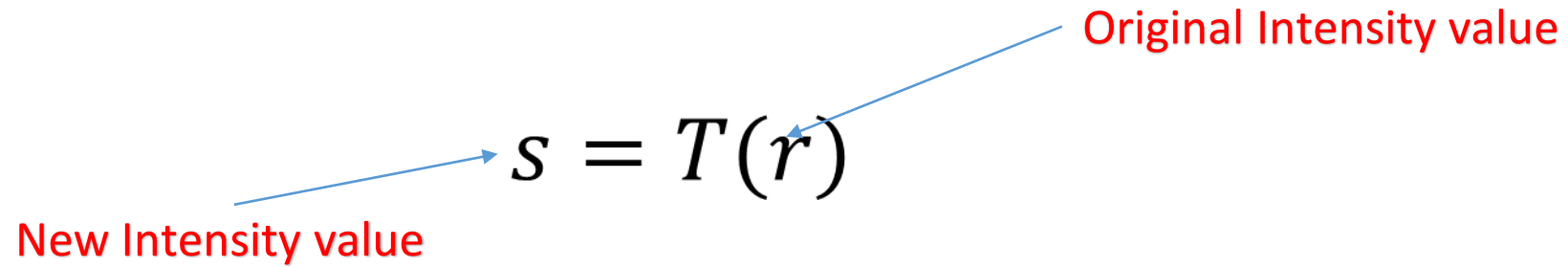


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The diagram shows the transformation equation $s = T(r)$. A blue arrow points from the text "New Intensity value" to the variable s . Another blue arrow points from the text "Original Intensity value" to the variable r inside the function $T(r)$.

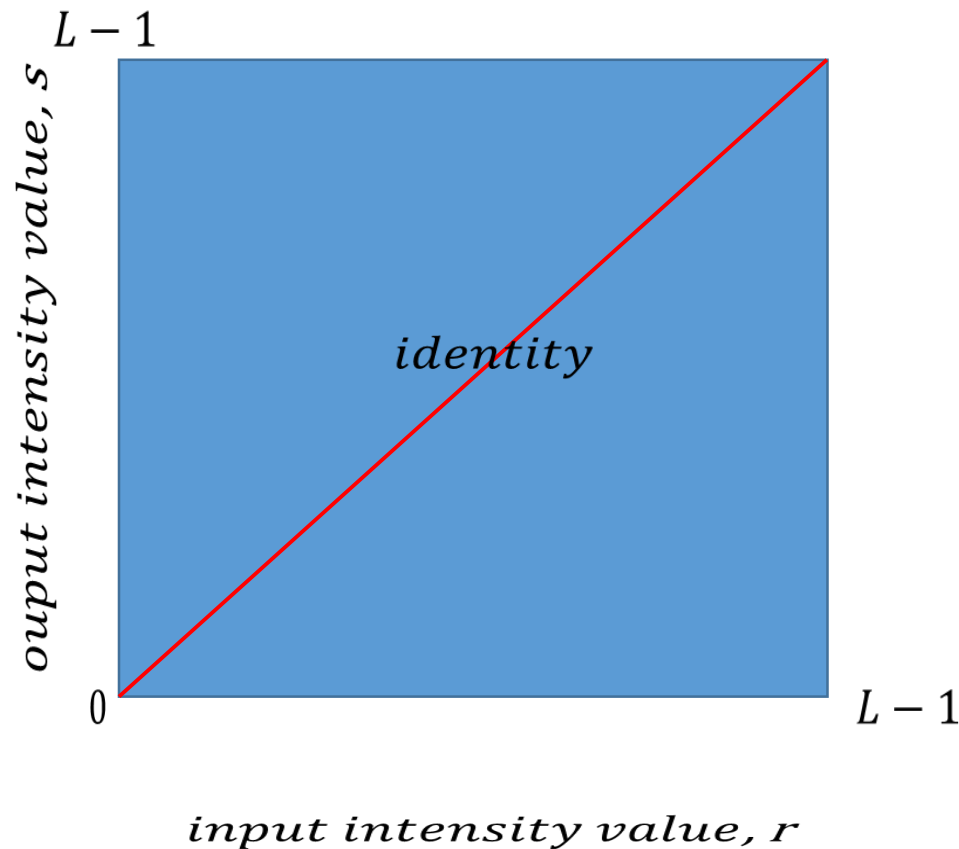
$$s = T(r)$$

New Intensity value

Original Intensity value

Transformation Options

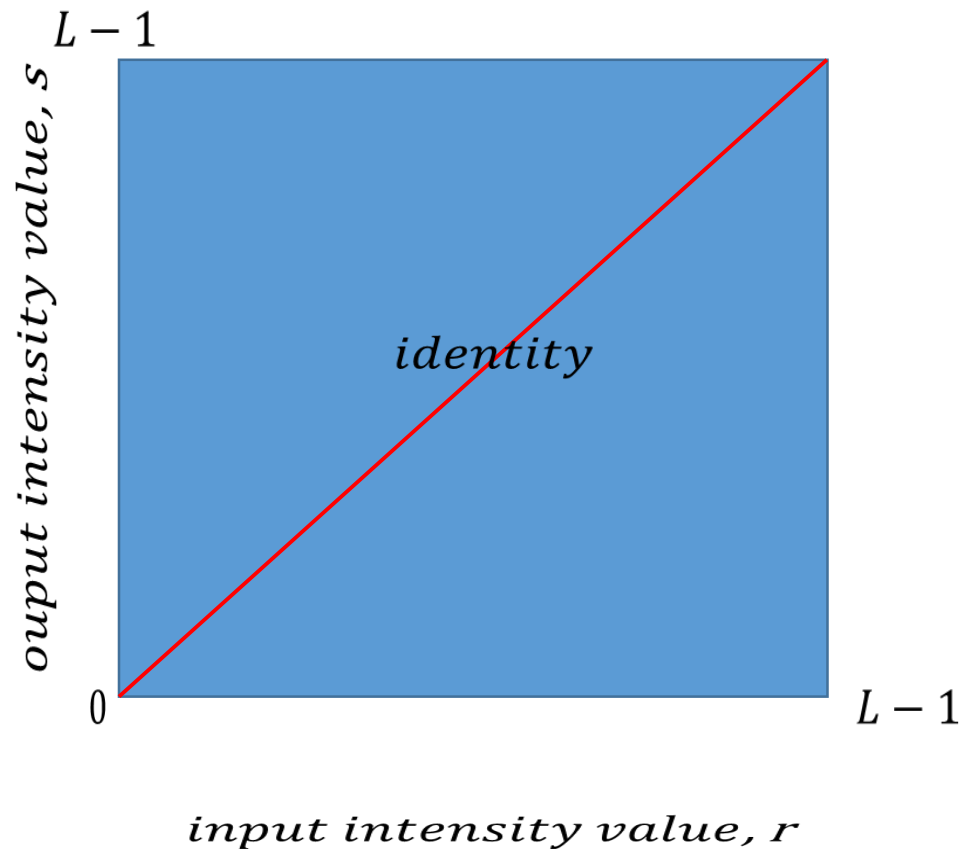
- What type of functions are candidates for T?



$$s = T(r) = ?$$

Transformation Options

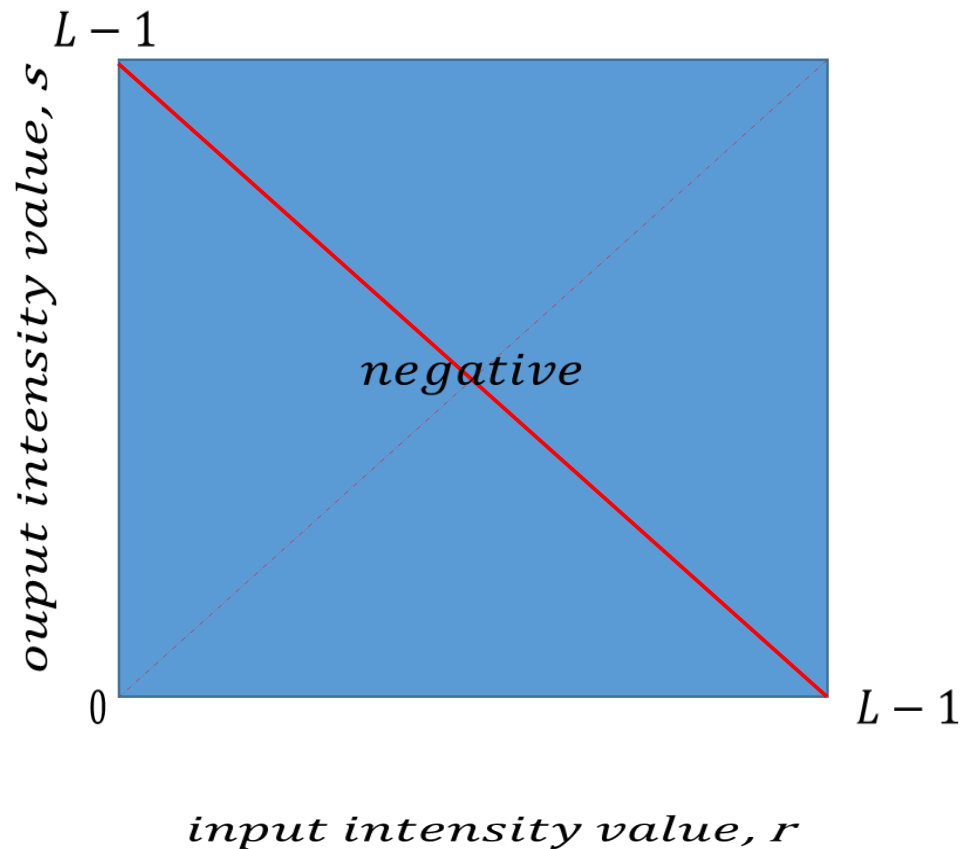
- Identity function



$$s = r$$

Transformation Options

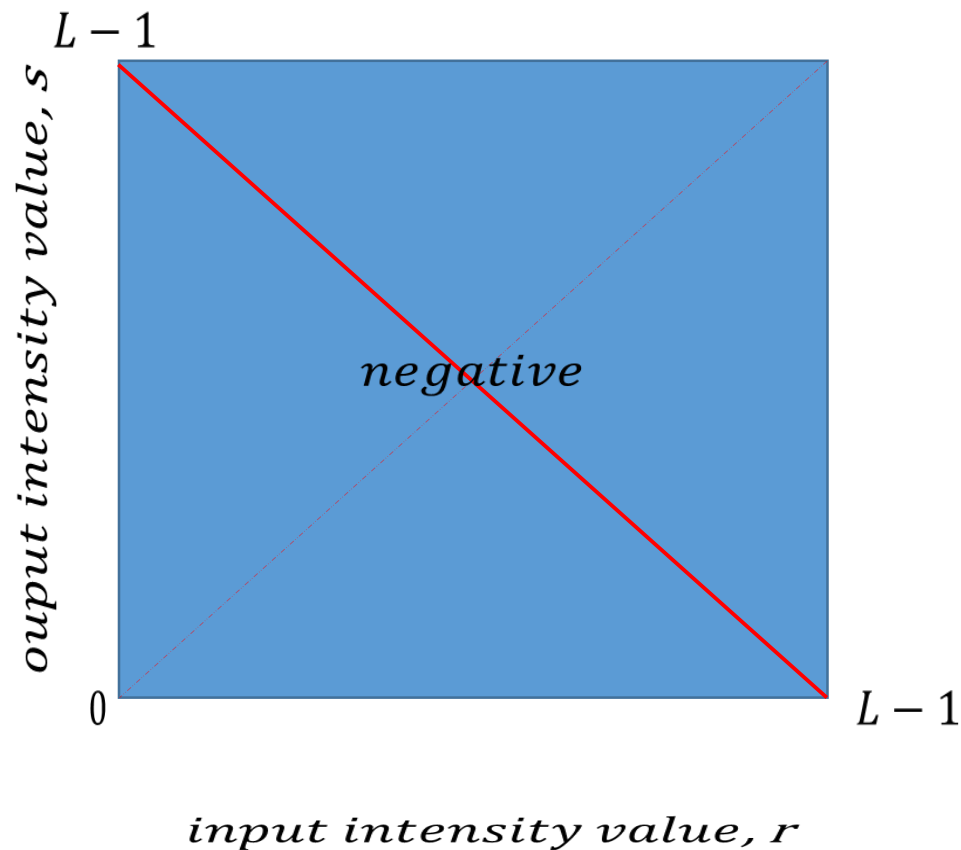
- Negative function



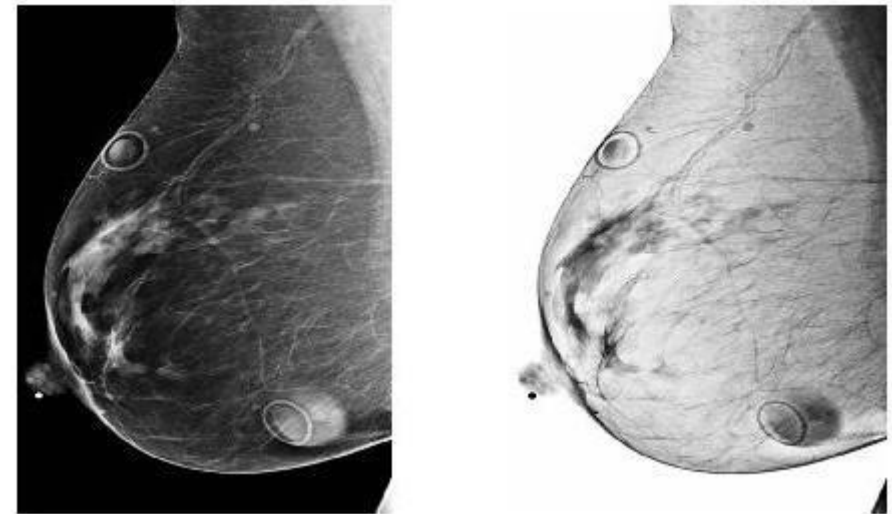
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Transformation Options

- Negative function

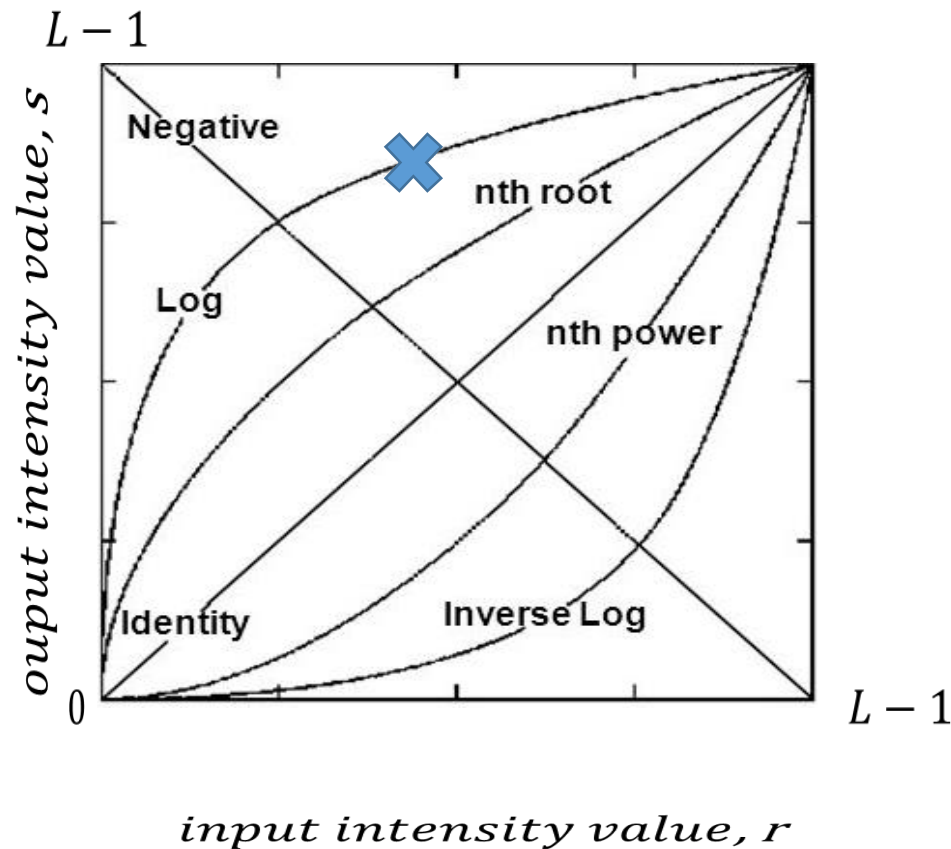


$$s = L - 1 - r$$



Transformation Options

- Log function

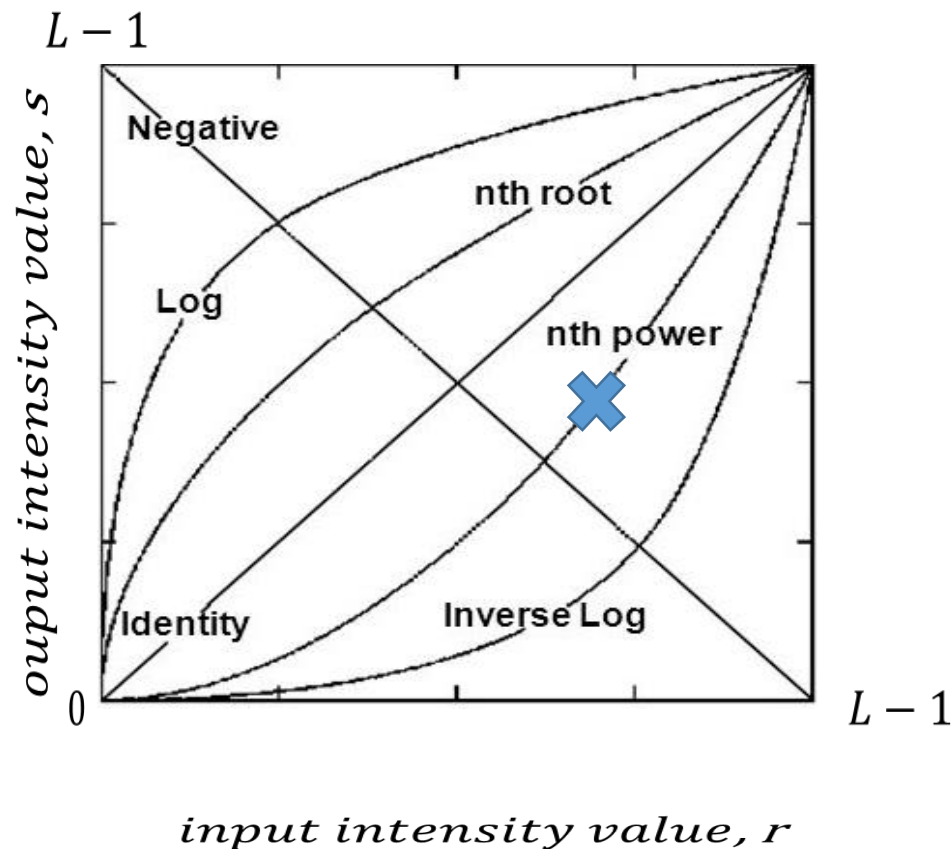


$$s = clog(r + 1)$$



Transformation Options

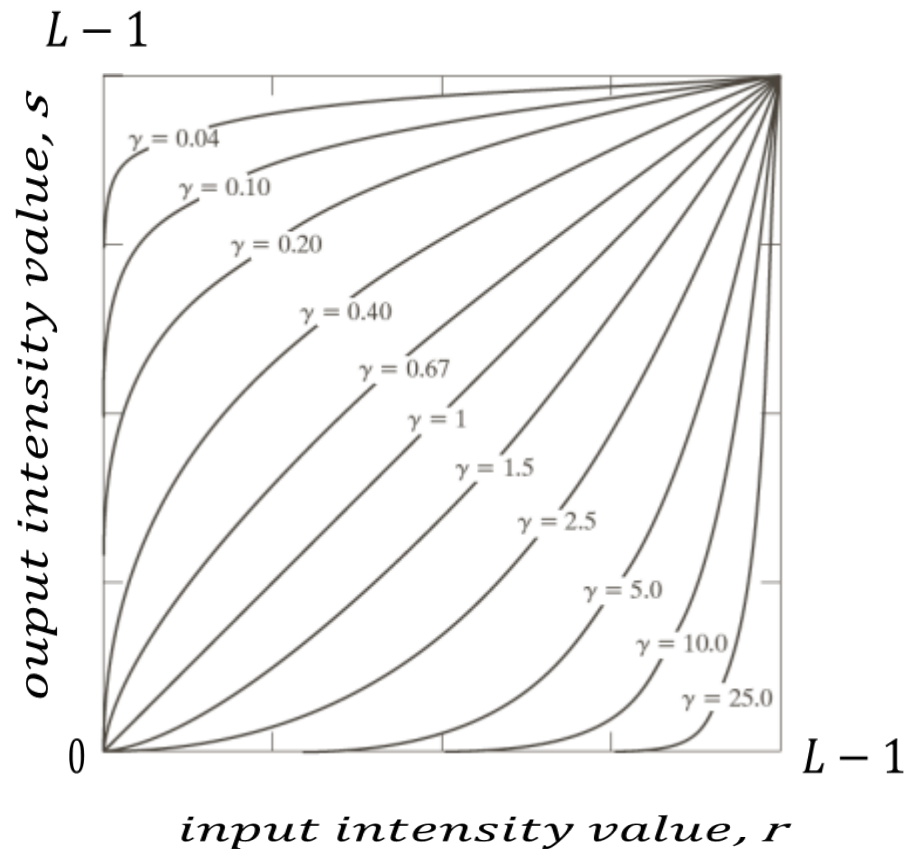
- Power-Law (Gamma) transformation



$$s = cr^\gamma$$

Transformation Options

- Changing gamma makes a family of functions



$$s = cr^\gamma$$

Transformation Options

- Power-Law (Gamma) transformation

Original image
MRI of a fractured
human spine



$c = 1$



$\gamma = 0.6$



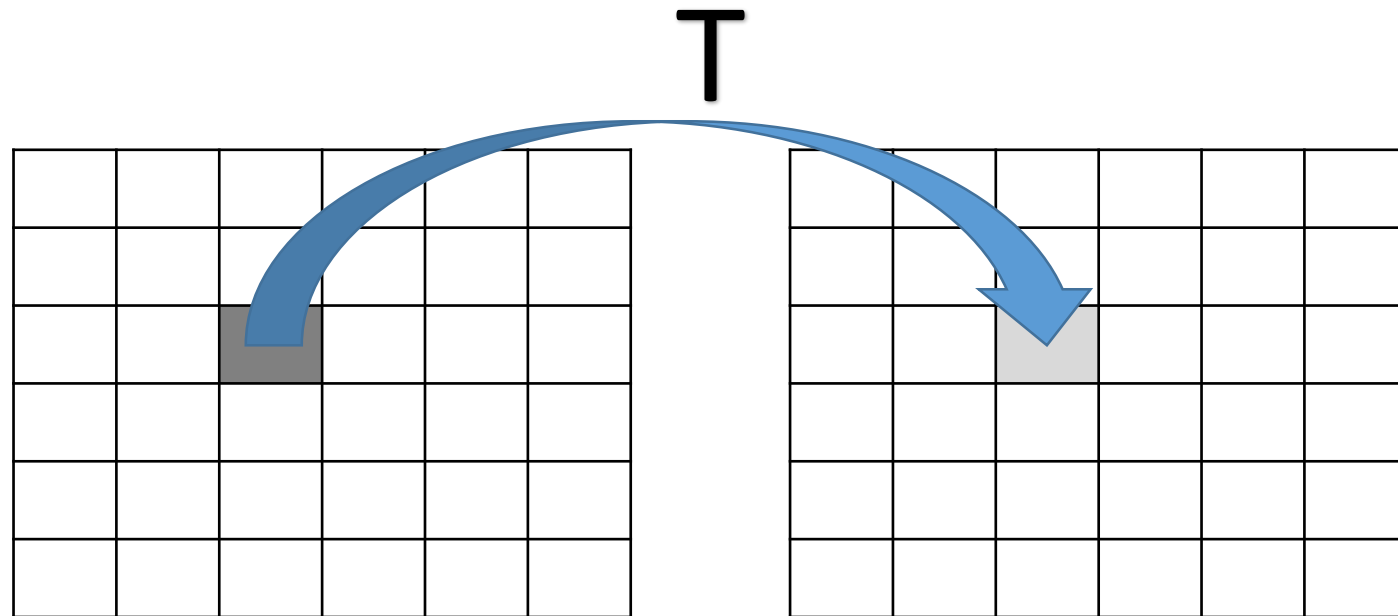
$\gamma = 0.4$



$\gamma = 0.3$

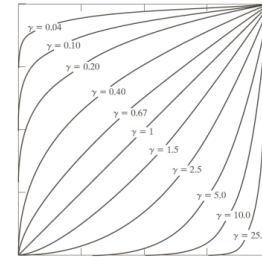
Recap (so far)

- We defined a set of simple pixel to pixel transformations that enhance the quality of images to reveal more details/information.



Cons

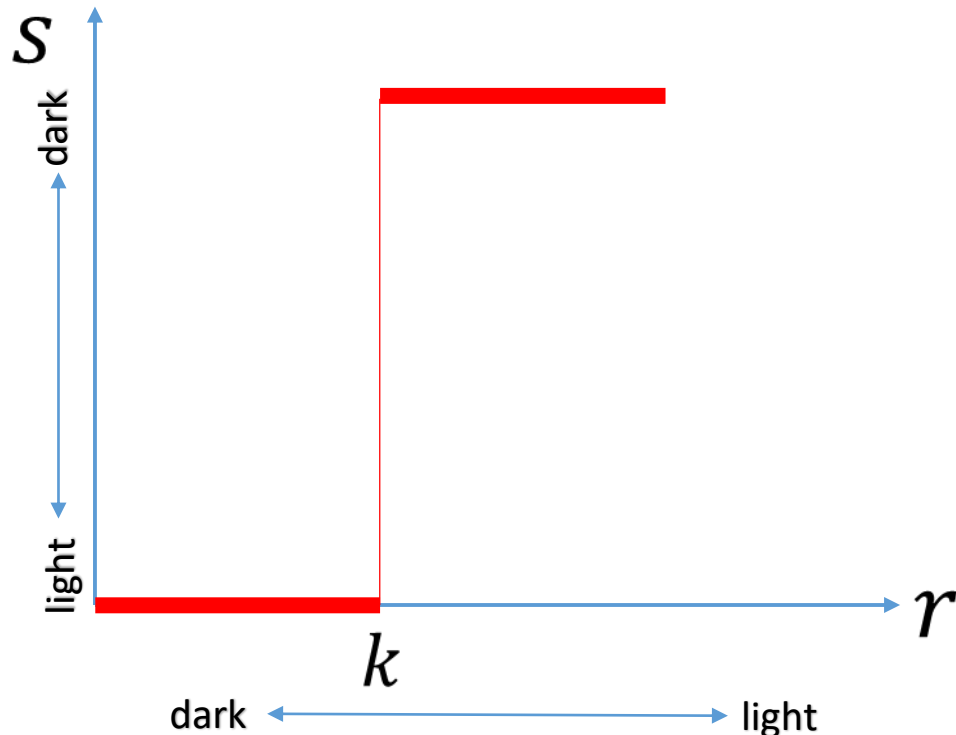
- Hard to find the best transformation function.



- It is blind to the distribution of pixels.
 - What if all the pixels are between 0-32?
- What is an alternative?

Thresholding Transformations

- 1D function that maps all the pixels smaller than a value to zero, larger than a value to (e.g., 1 or k).

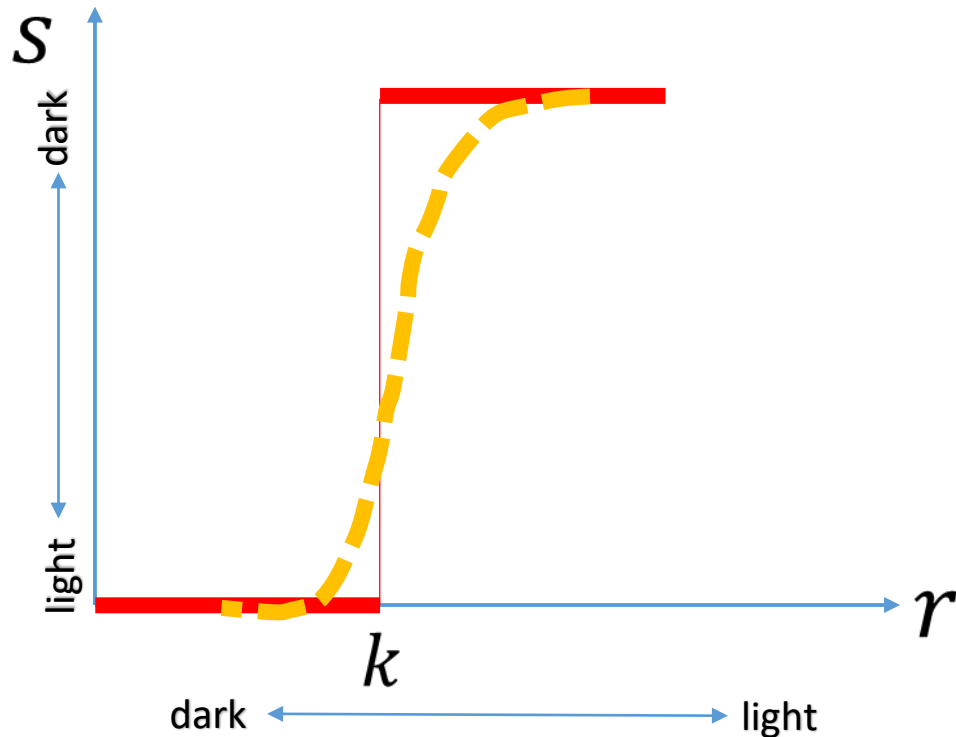


$$s = T(r)$$

Thresholding function

Stretching Transformations

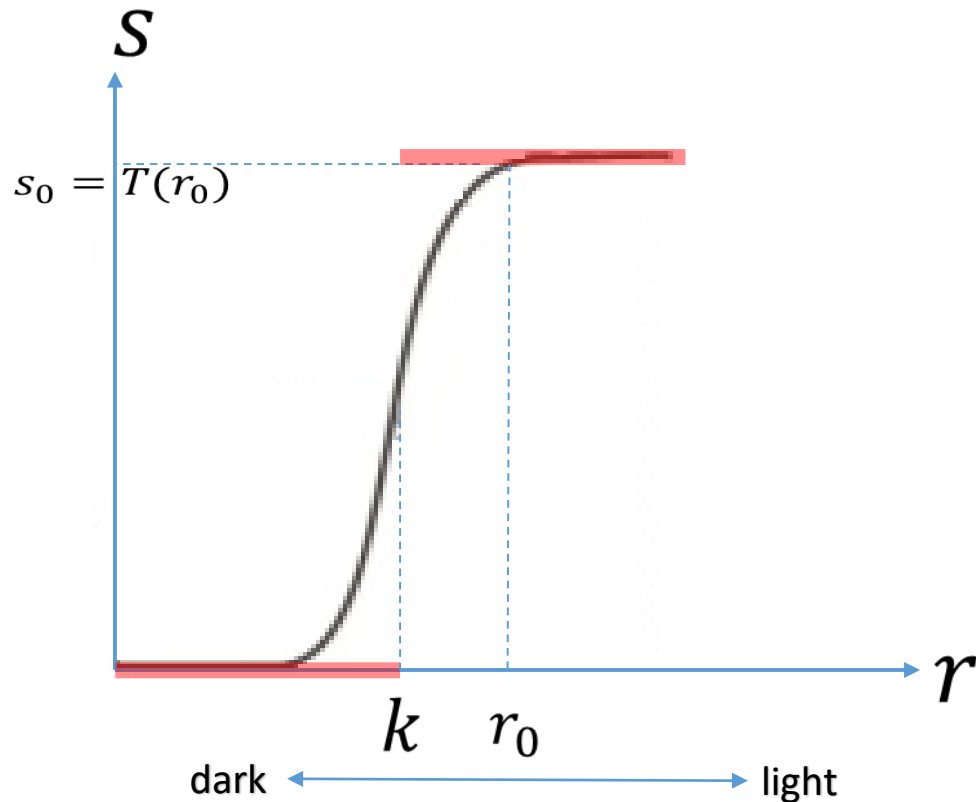
- We want to somehow smooth the middle to stretch the contrast.



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Stretching Transformations

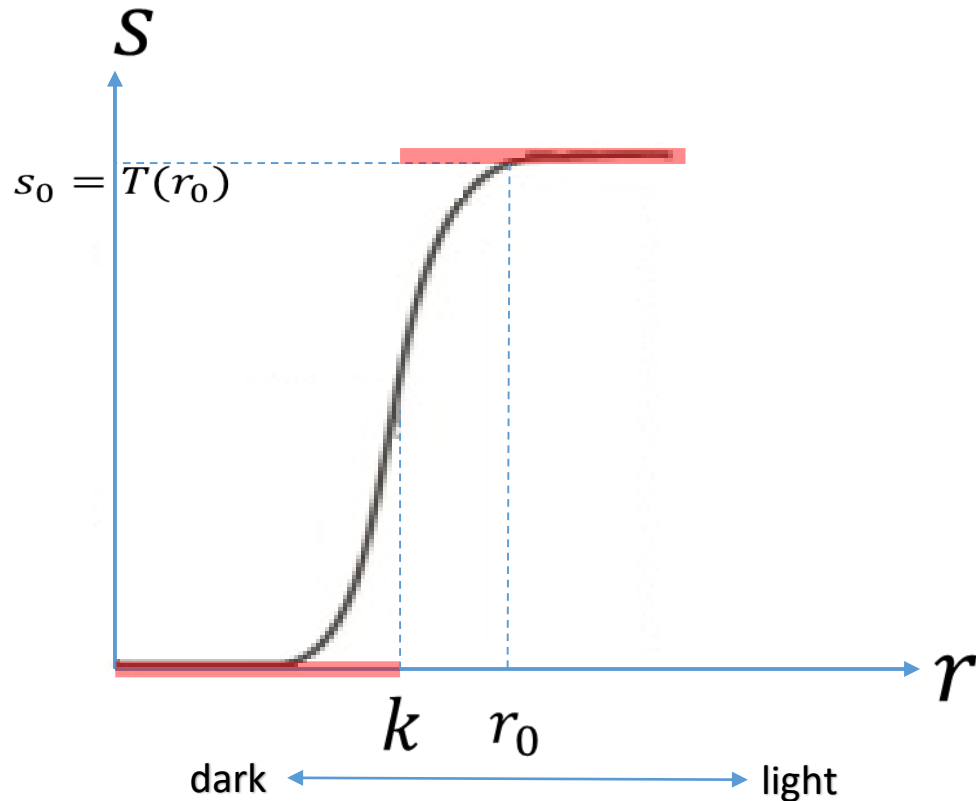
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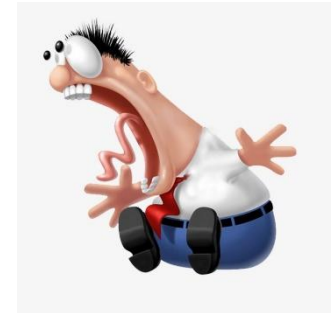
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Stretching Transformations

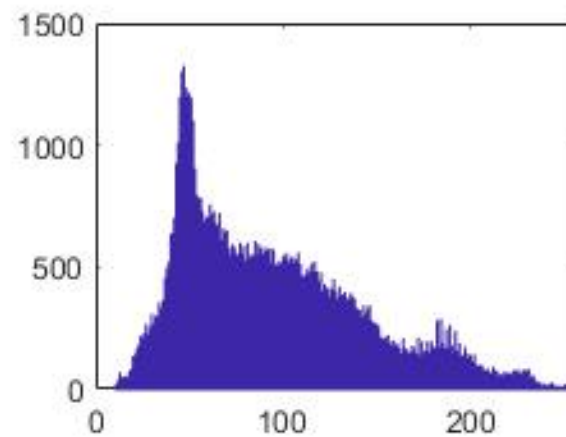
- One way to define such a function is to use histograms equalization



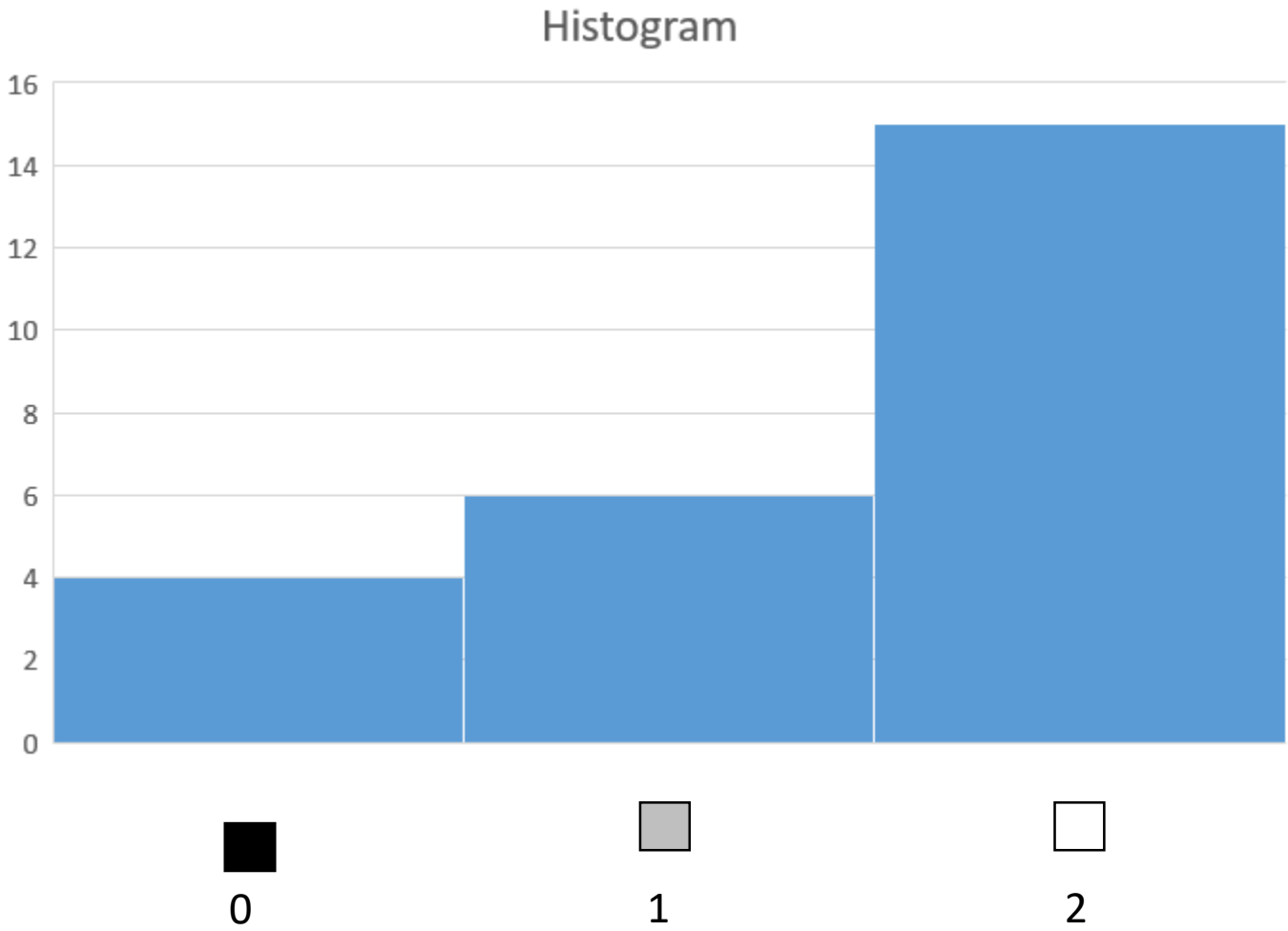
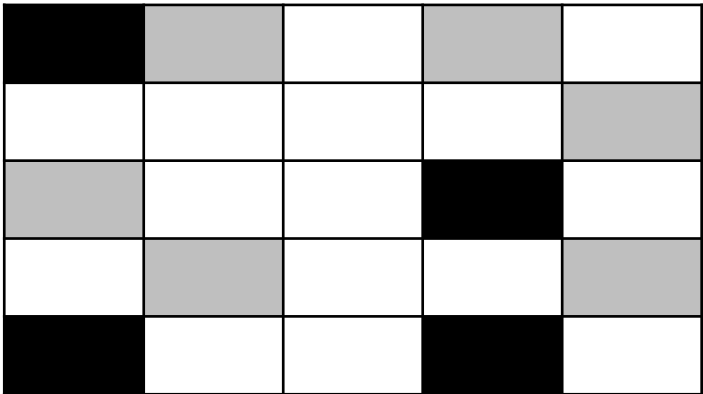
$$s = T(r)$$



Histogram



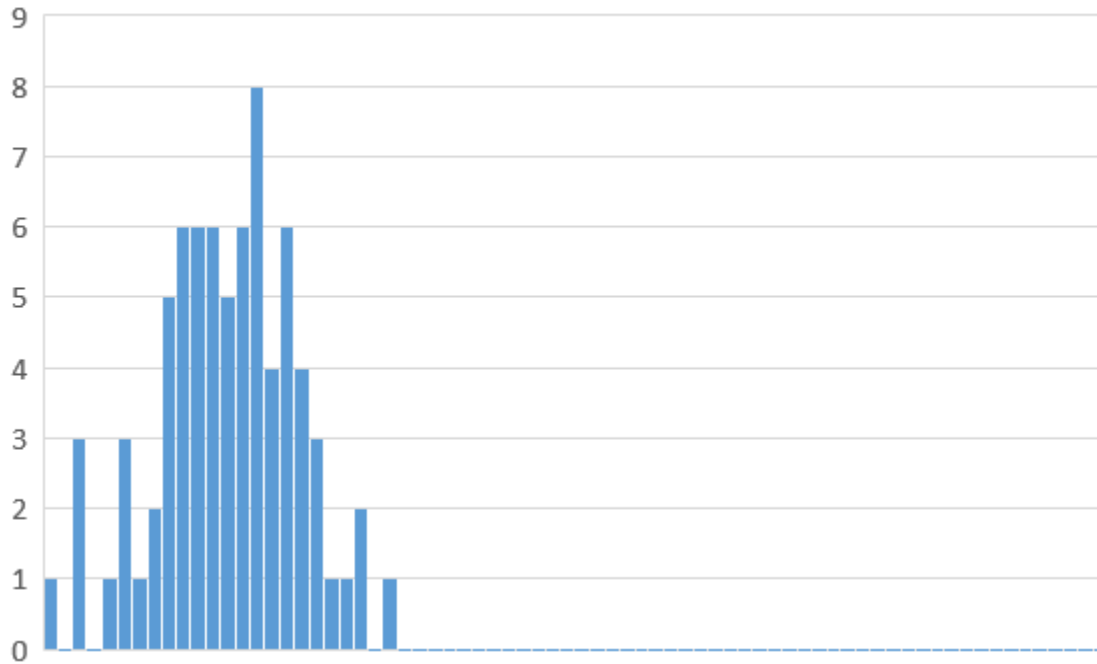
Histogram



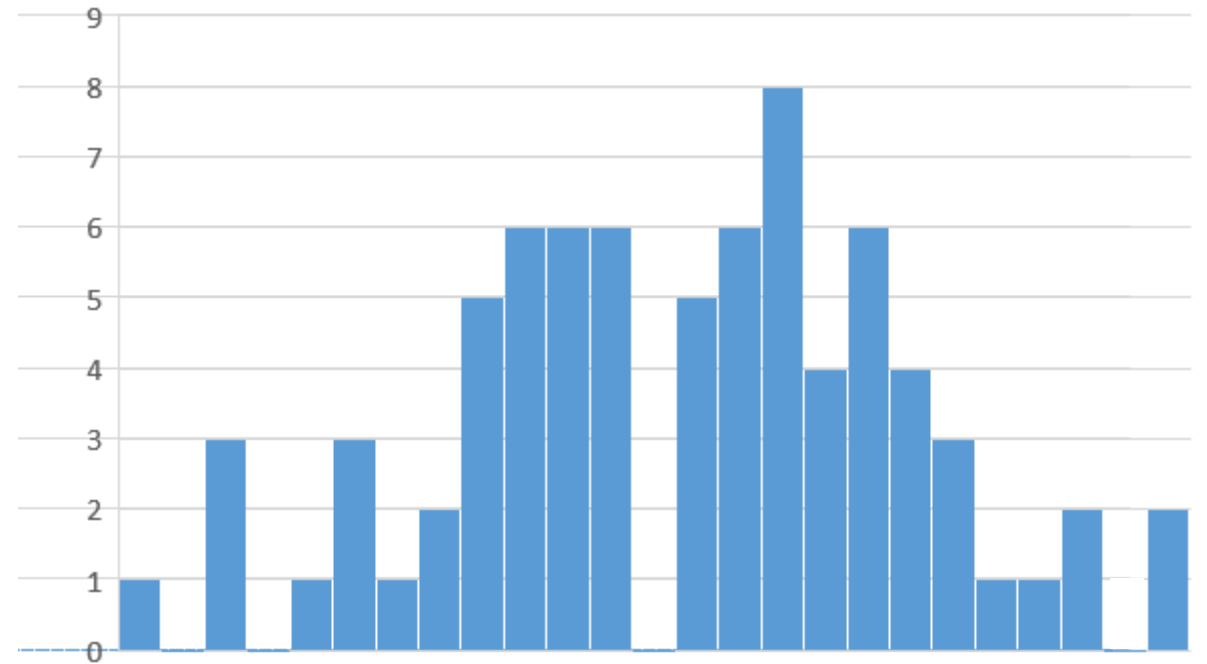
Histogram Equalization

- We are looking for a transformation to map the histogram of an image to a well distributed histogram.

Bad Histogram

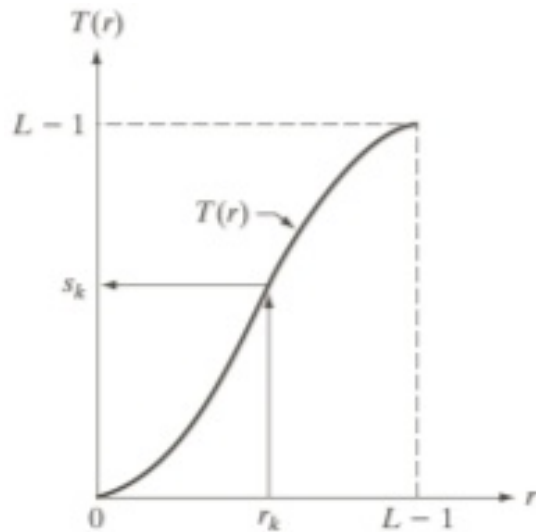


Better Histogram



Histogram Equalization

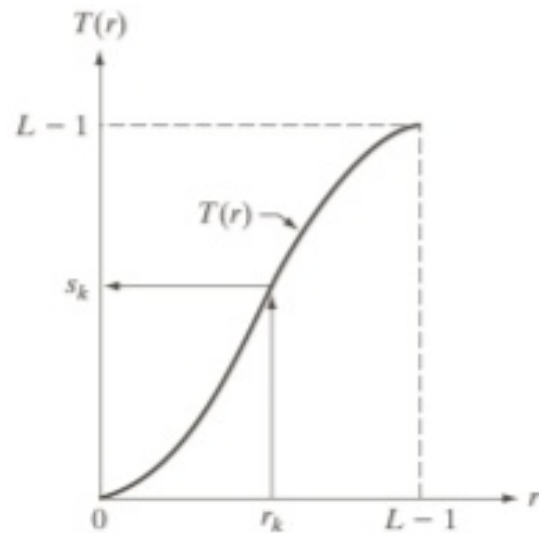
- Function should be monotonically increasing (why?)



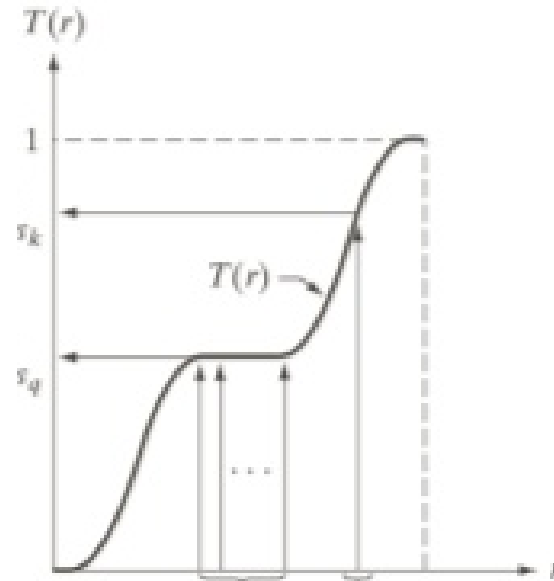
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Histogram Equalization

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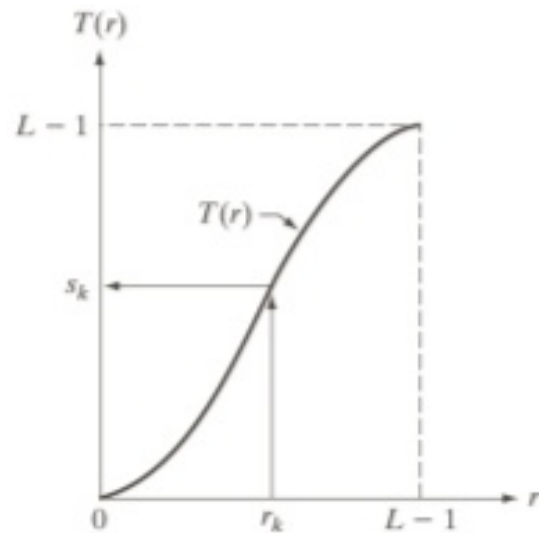


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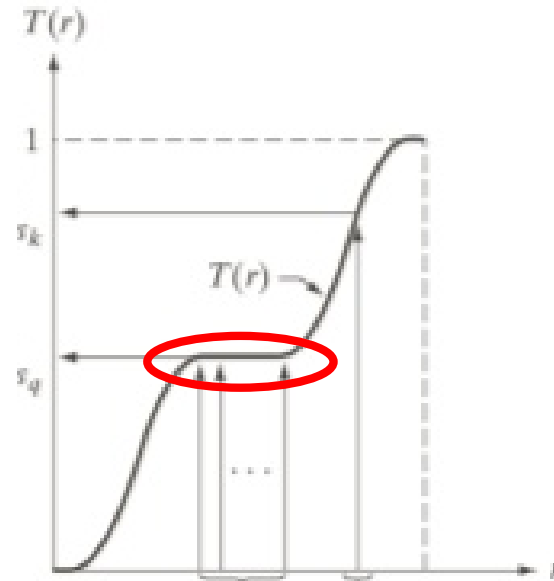


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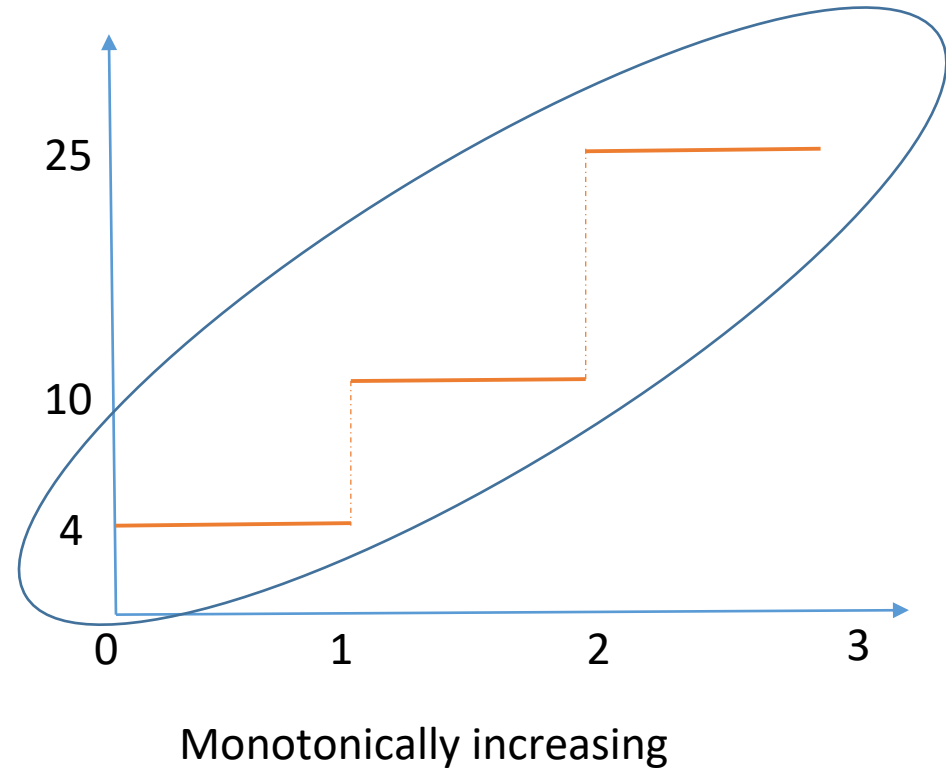
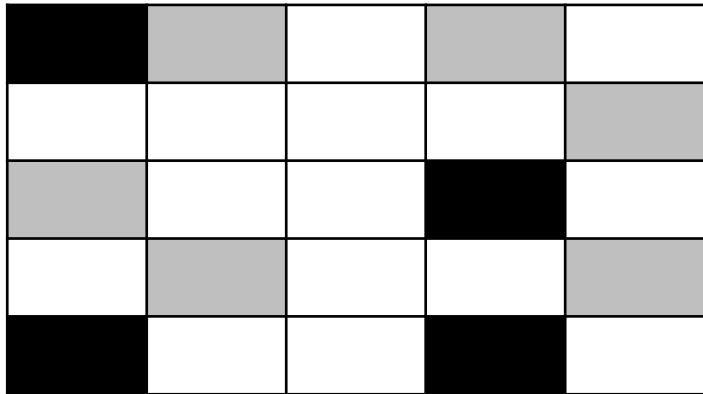


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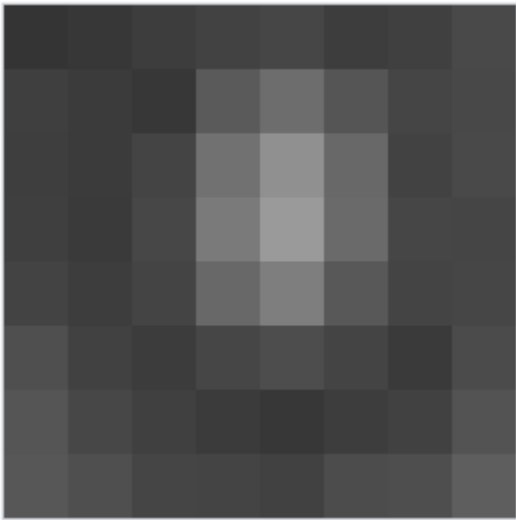
Histogram Equalization

- One way to define such a function is to use **cumulative distribution function** or cdf.



Histogram Equalization

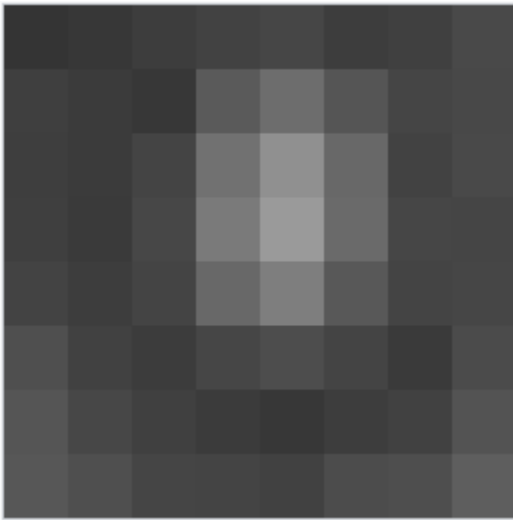
- Example



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62	59	55	104	94	85	59	71
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69	85	64	58	55	61	65	83
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Histogram Equalization

- Example

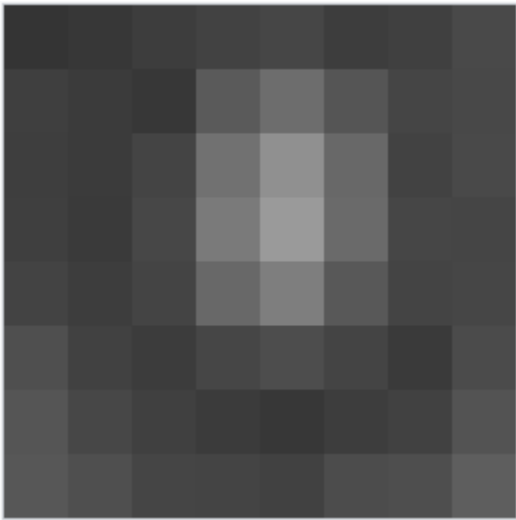


Smallest value

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Histogram Equalization

- Example



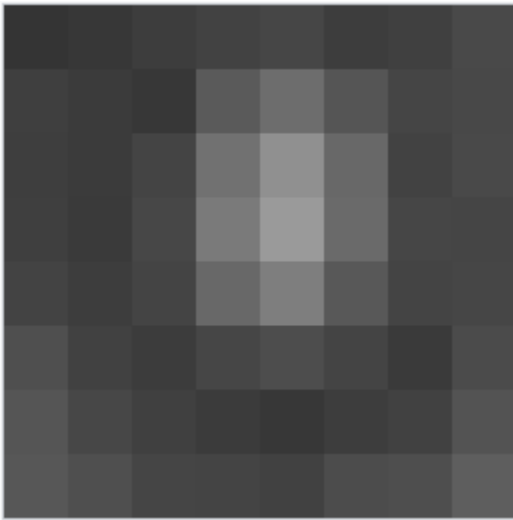
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Histogram Equalization

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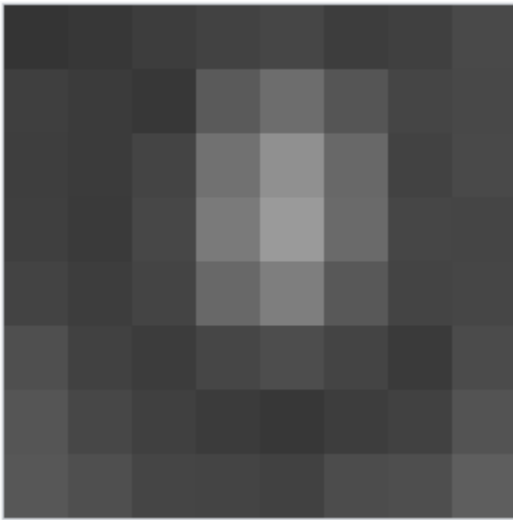
Next Smallest value

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value	cdf
52	1
55	3+1=4

Histogram Equalization

- Example



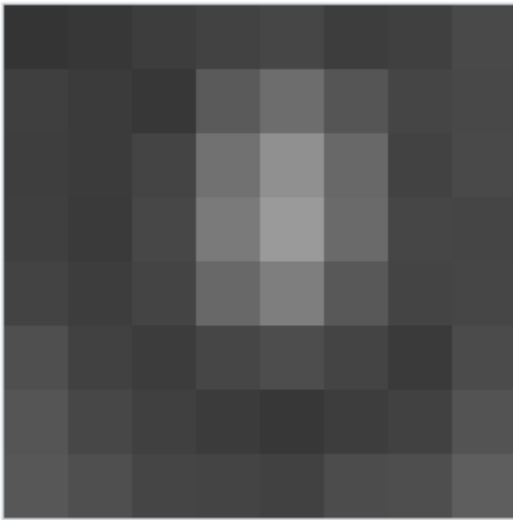
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r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	4+2=6

Histogram Equalization

- Example



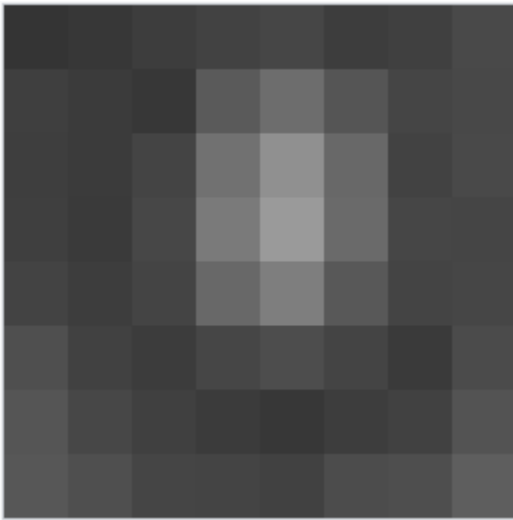
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69	85	64	58	55	61	65	83
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r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	6
59	6+3=9

Histogram Equalization

- Example



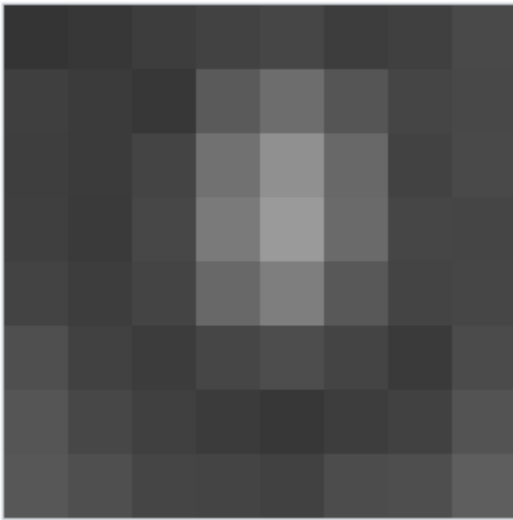
Largest value

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70	87	69	68	65	73	78	90

r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	6
59	9
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.	
.	
144	63
154	64

Histogram Equalization

- Example



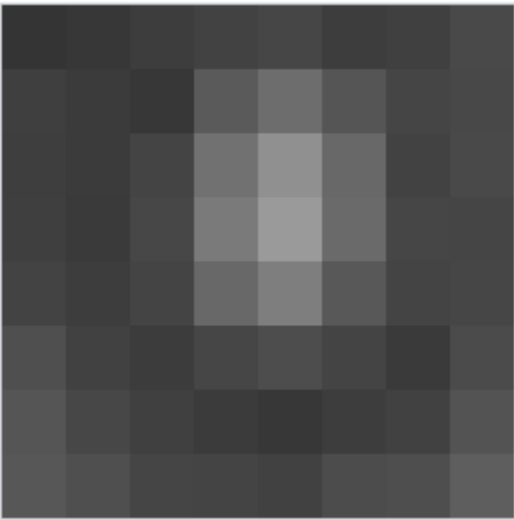
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70	87	69	68	65	73	78	90

r	cdf	s
52	1	0
55	4	
58	6	
59	9	
.		.
.		.
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144	63	
154	64	255

Histogram Equalization

- Example



Largest value

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144	63	
154	64	255

We get help from cdf

Histogram Equalization

- Example

$$s = \left\lfloor \frac{cdf(r) - cdf_{min}}{(M \times N) - cdf_{min}} \times (L - 1) \right\rfloor$$



r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	6
59	9
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.	
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154	64

s
0
.
.
.
255

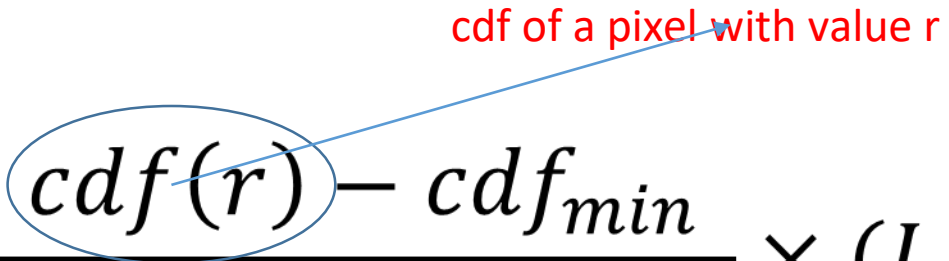
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Histogram Equalization

- Example

$$s = \left\lfloor \frac{\text{cdf}(r) - \text{cdf}_{min}}{(M \times N) - \text{cdf}_{min}} \times (L - 1) \right\rfloor$$

cdf of a pixel with value r





r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	6
59	9
.	
.	
.	
144	63
154	64

s
0
.
.
.
255


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Histogram Equalization

- Example

$$s = \left\lfloor \frac{cdf(r) - cdf_{min}}{(M \times N) - cdf_{min}} \times (L - 1) \right\rfloor$$

↓↓
height width



r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	6
59	9
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144	63
154	64

s
0
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255


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Histogram Equalization

- Example

$$s = \left\lfloor \frac{cdf(r) - cdf_{min}}{(M \times N) - cdf_{min}} \times (L - 1) \right\rfloor$$

Probability distribution of pixels




r	cdf	s
52	1	0
55	4	
58	6	
59	9	
.		.
.		.
.		.
144	63	
154	64	255

Histogram Equalization

- Example

To map pixel with minimum intensity to 0

$$s = \left\lfloor \frac{cdf(r) - cdf_{min}}{(M \times N) - cdf_{min}} \times (L - 1) \right\rfloor$$



r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	6
59	9
.	
.	
.	
144	63
154	64

s
0
.
.
.
255


Histogram Equalization

- Example

$$s = \left\lfloor \frac{cdf(r) - cdf_{min}}{(M \times N) - cdf_{min}} \times (L - 1) \right\rfloor$$



To map pixel with maximum intensity to L-1
Why?



r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	6
59	9
.	
.	
.	
144	63
154	64


s
0
.
.
.
255

Histogram Equalization

- Example

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$$v: 58 \rightarrow \left\lfloor \frac{cdf(58) - cdf_{min}}{8 \times 8 - cdf_{min}} \times 255 \right\rfloor$$



r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	6
59	9
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.	
144	63
154	64


s
0
.
.
.
255

Histogram Equalization

- Example

$$s = \left\lfloor \frac{cdf(r) - cdf_{min}}{(M \times N) - cdf_{min}} \times (L - 1) \right\rfloor$$

$$v: 58 \rightarrow \left\lfloor \frac{cdf(58) - cdf_{min}}{8 \times 8 - cdf_{min}} \times 255 \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{6 - 1}{64 - 1} \times 255 \right\rfloor$$



r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	6
59	9
.	
.	
.	
144	63
154	64


s
0
.
.
.
255

Histogram Equalization

- Example

$$s = \left\lfloor \frac{cdf(r) - cdf_{min}}{(M \times N) - cdf_{min}} \times (L - 1) \right\rfloor$$

$$v: 58 \rightarrow \left\lfloor \frac{cdf(58) - cdf_{min}}{8 \times 8 - cdf_{min}} \times 255 \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{6 - 1}{64 - 1} \times 255 \right\rfloor = \lfloor 20.2380 \rfloor = 20$$



r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	6
59	9
.	
.	
.	
144	63
154	64


s
0
20
.
.
.
255

Histogram Equalization

- Example

$$s = \left\lfloor \frac{cdf(r) - cdf_{min}}{(M \times N) - cdf_{min}} \times (L - 1) \right\rfloor$$

Following the same formula produces a better distribution for pixel values

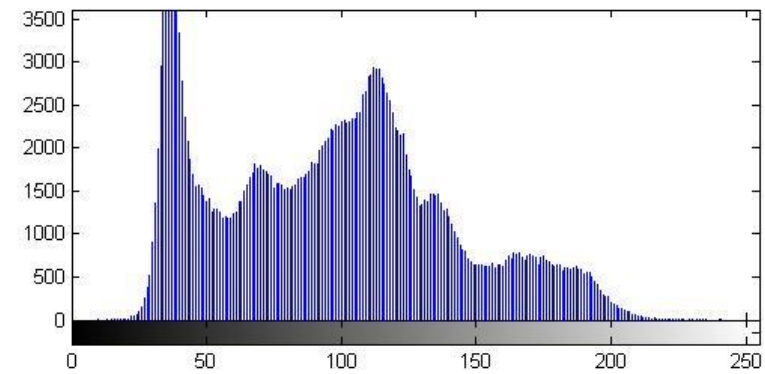


r	cdf
52	1
55	4
58	6
59	9
.	
.	
.	
144	63
154	64

s
0
12
20
32
.
.
.
251
255

Histogram Equalization

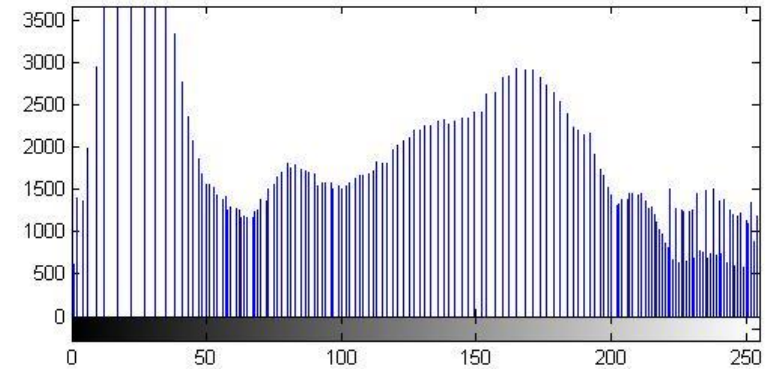
Original Image



Enhanced Image

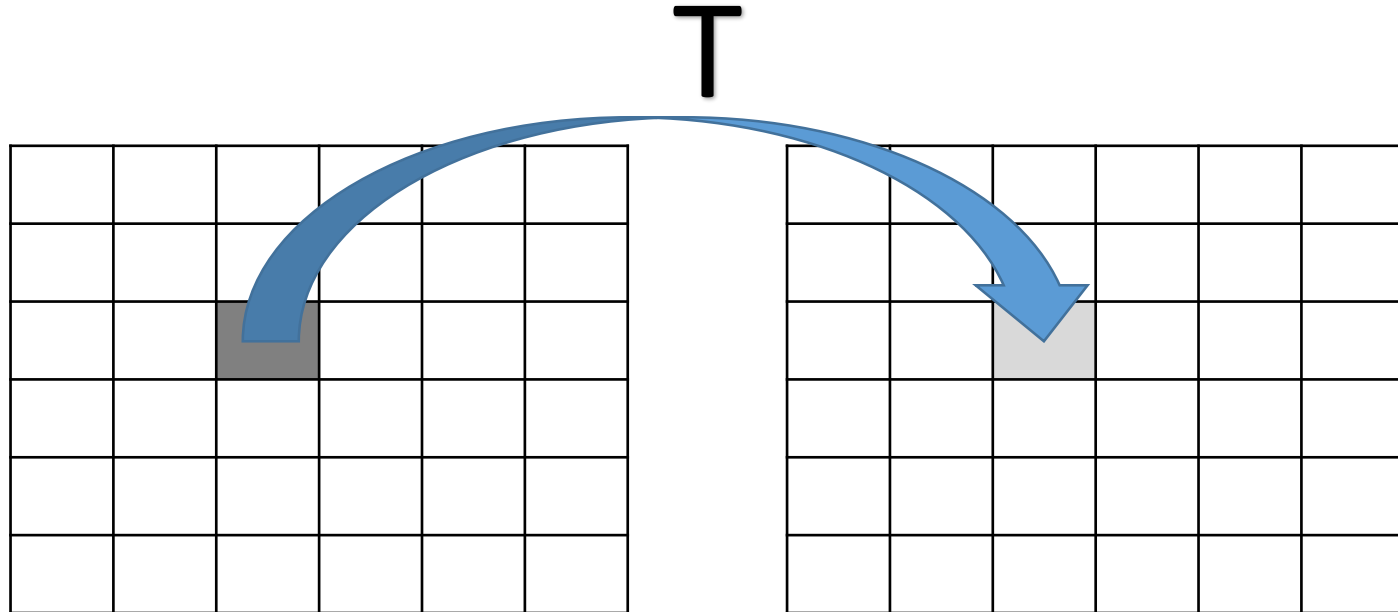


Histogram equalization



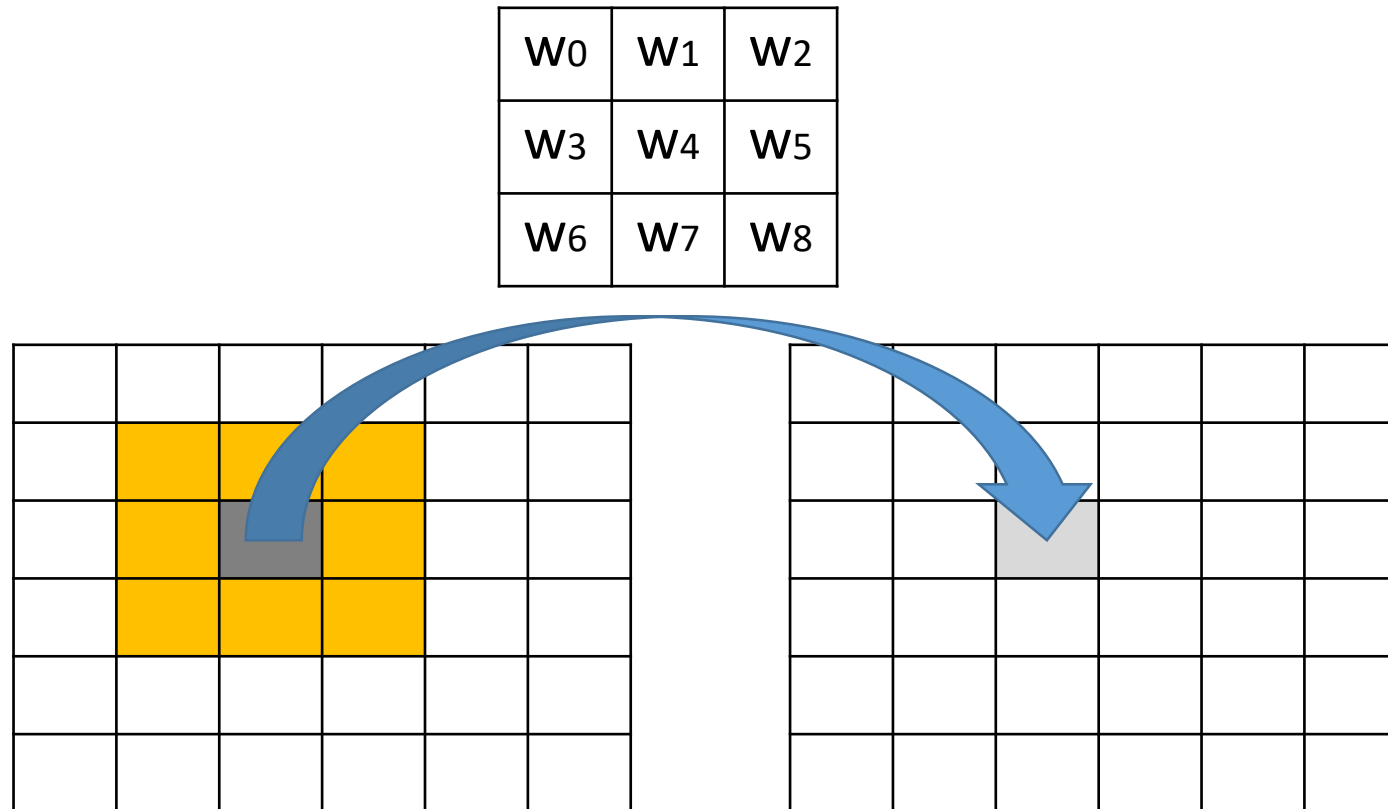
Local Neighbourhood Operations

- So far, the modification was only based on the value of pixels
- We did not consider neighbouring pixels



Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Define a transformation via a local mask



Local Neighbourhood Operations

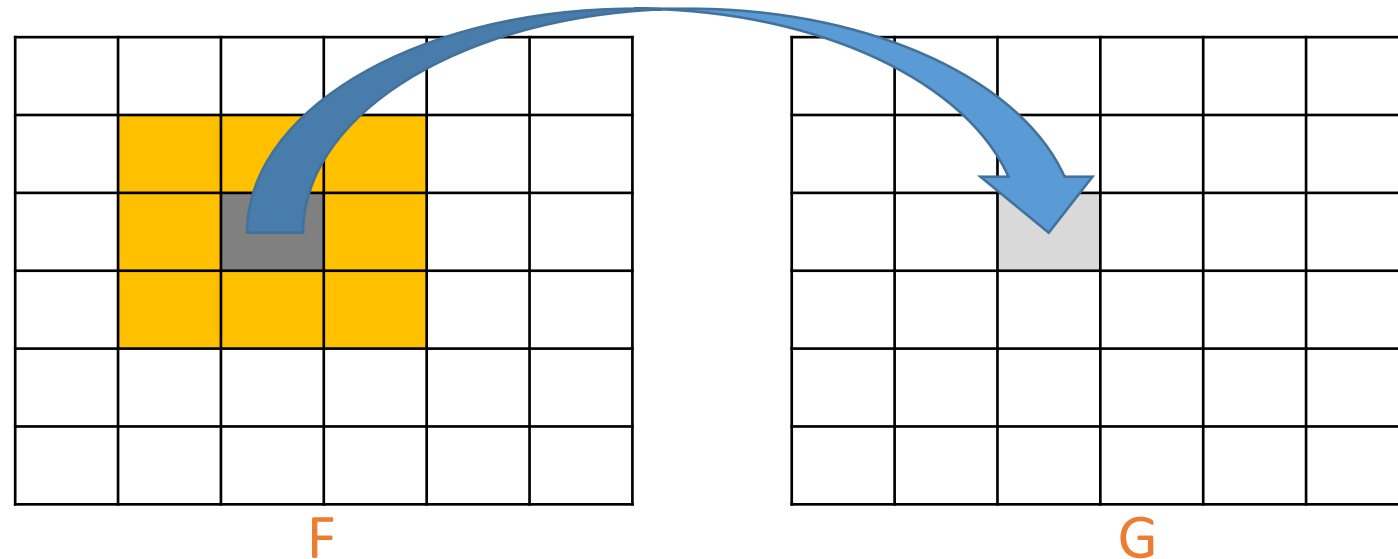
- Convolution

$$G[i, j] = \sum_{u=-k}^k \sum_{v=-k}^k H[u, v] F[i - u, j - v]$$

$$G = H * F$$

H

W0	W1	W2
W3	W4	W5
W6	W7	W8



Local Neighbourhood Operations

- What does this filter do?



Original



0	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	0

Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Identity



Original



0	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	0



Identical image

Local Neighbourhood Operations

- What does this filter do?



Original



0	0	0
1	0	0
0	0	0

Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Shift to left by one pixel.



Original



0	0	0
1	0	0
0	0	0



Local Neighbourhood Operations

- What does this filter do?



Original

$$* \frac{1}{9} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

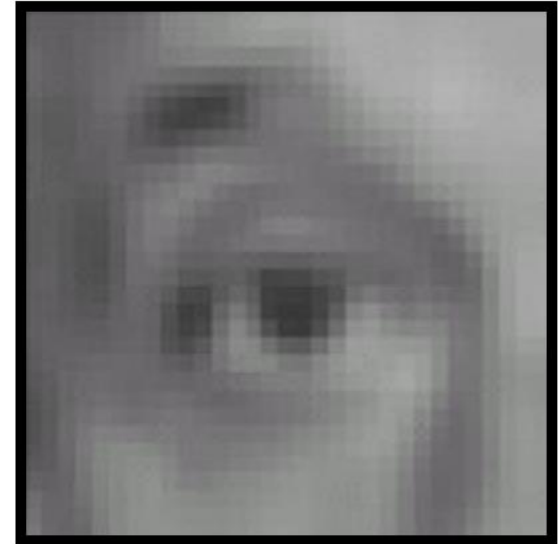
Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Average (blur)



Original

$$* \frac{1}{9} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} =$$



Local Neighbourhood Operations

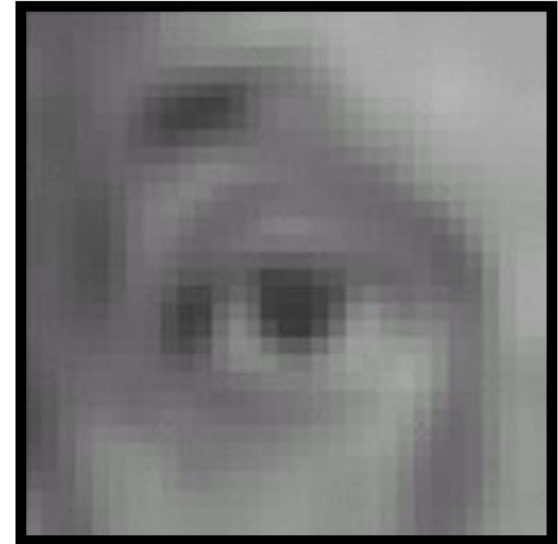
- Weighted Average (blur)



Original



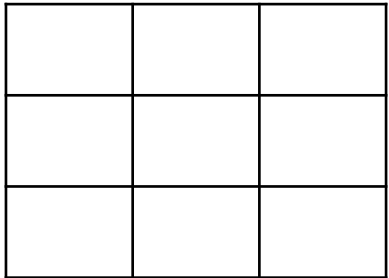
$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{8}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$
$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{8}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$
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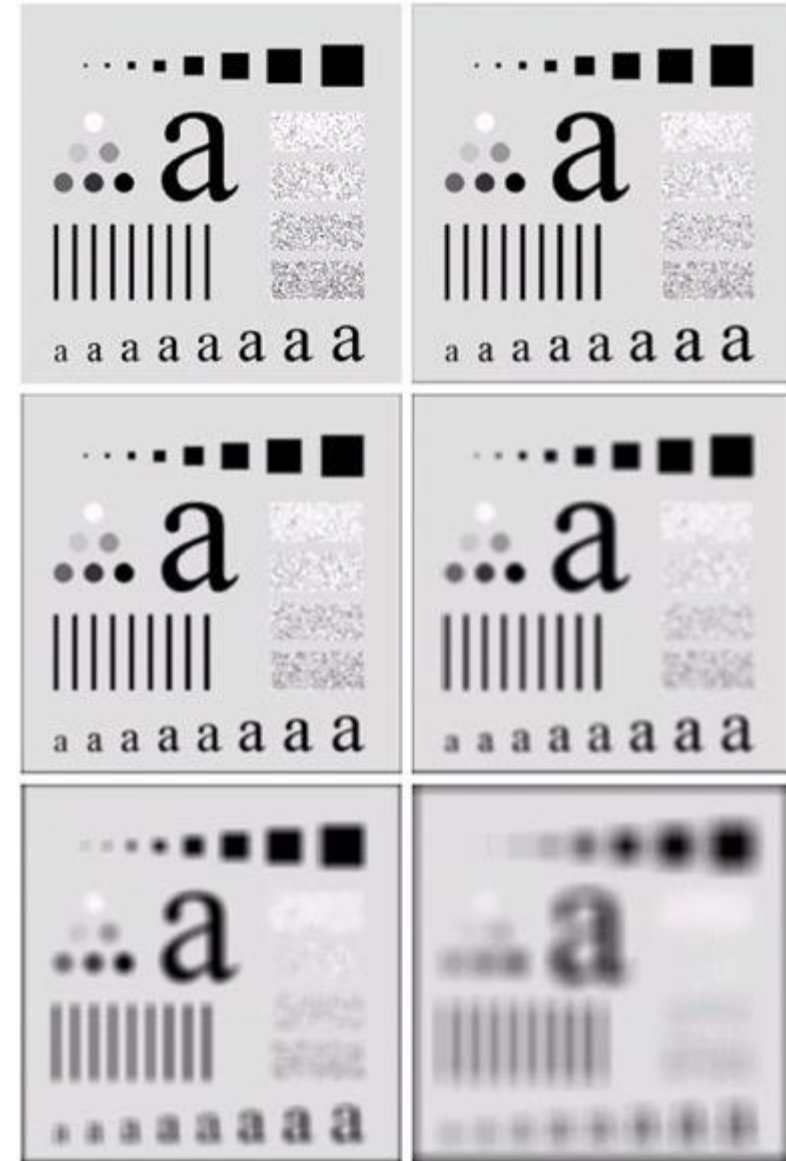
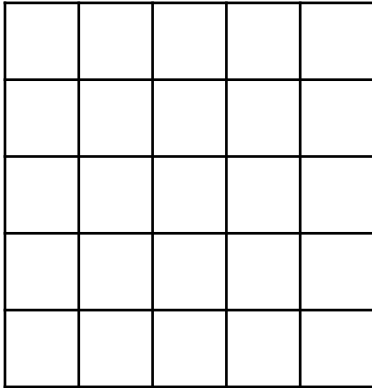
Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Filter size

3



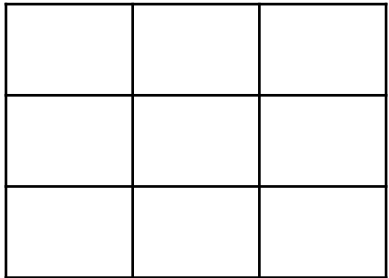
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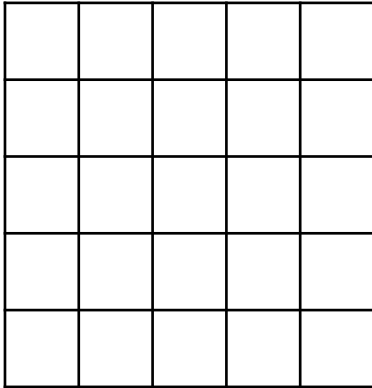
Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Filter size

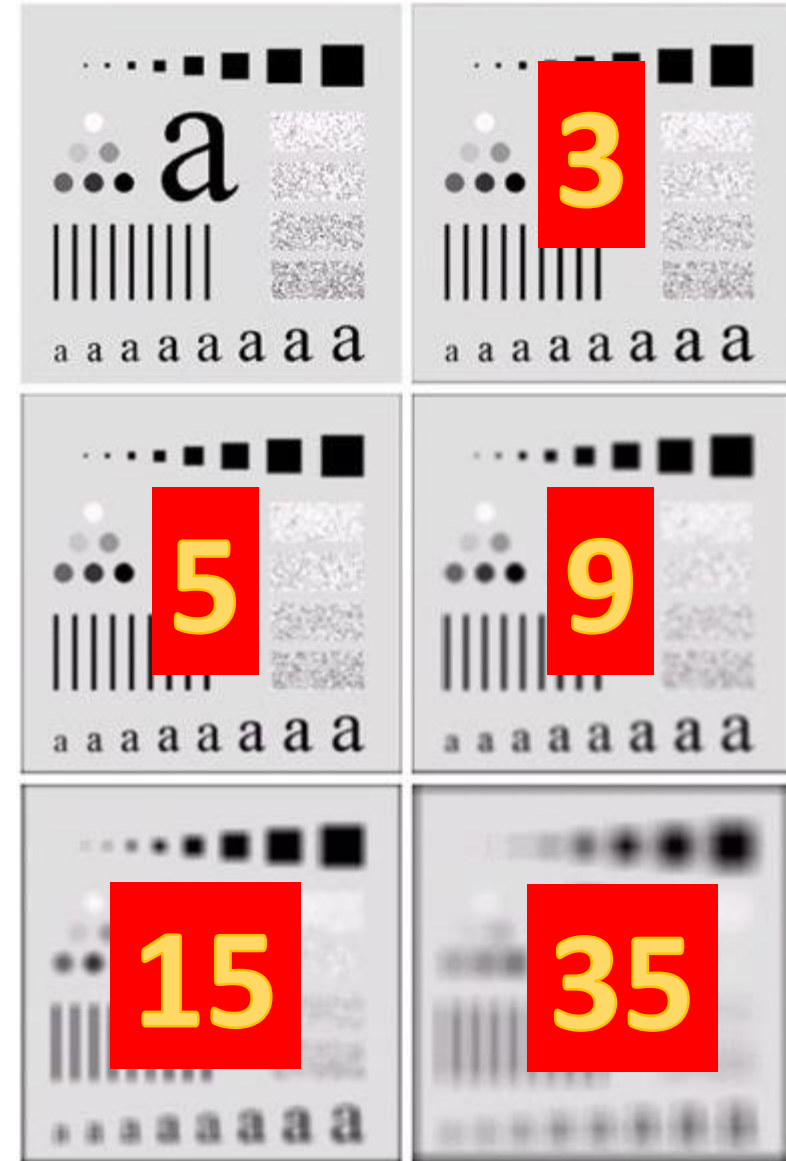
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Why do we get more blurriness with larger filter size?

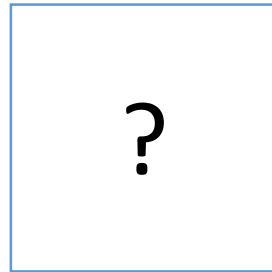


Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Can we get sharpening artifacts using filters we learned?

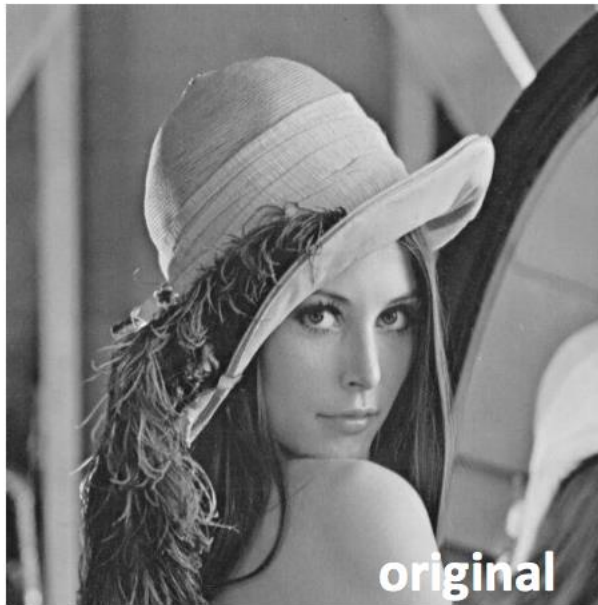


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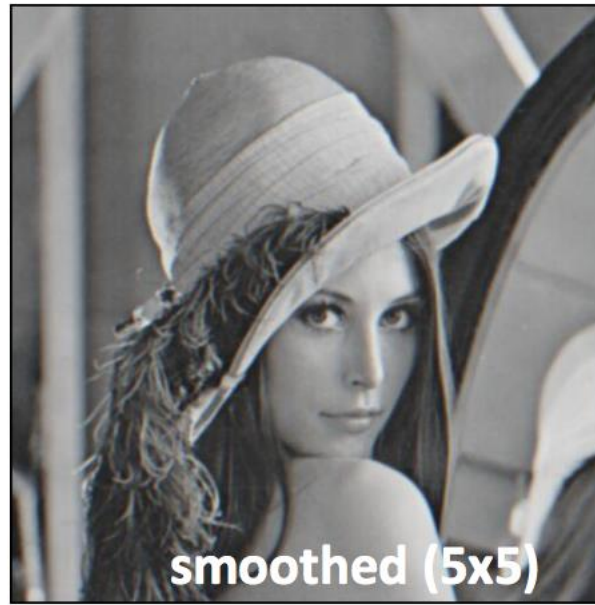


Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Sharpening



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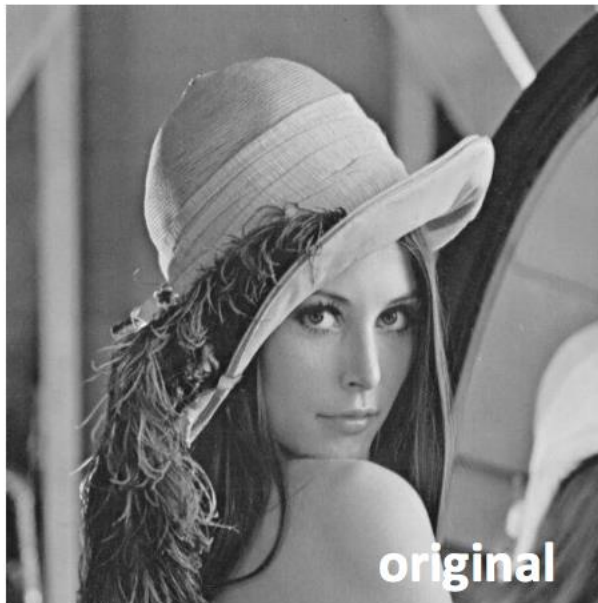


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Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Adding more details will sharpen the image.
 - You can control the sharpness by alpha



+ α

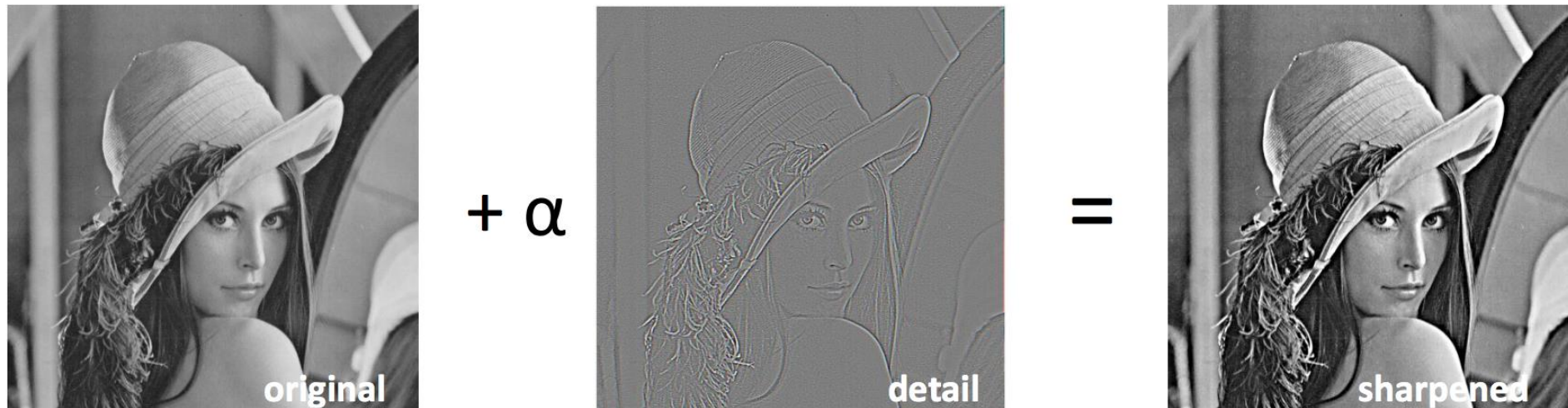


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Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Adding more details will sharpen the image.
 - You can control the sharpness by alpha



The diagram illustrates the sharpening process using a Laplacian filter. It shows the original image, the detail image (Laplacian of the original), and the sharpened image (original plus alpha times detail). Below the images, the corresponding 3x3 kernels are shown.

original

0	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	0

+ α

detail

0	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	0

- $\frac{1}{9}$

1	1	1
1	1	1
1	1	1

=

sharpened

Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Can we get sharpening artifacts using filters we learned?



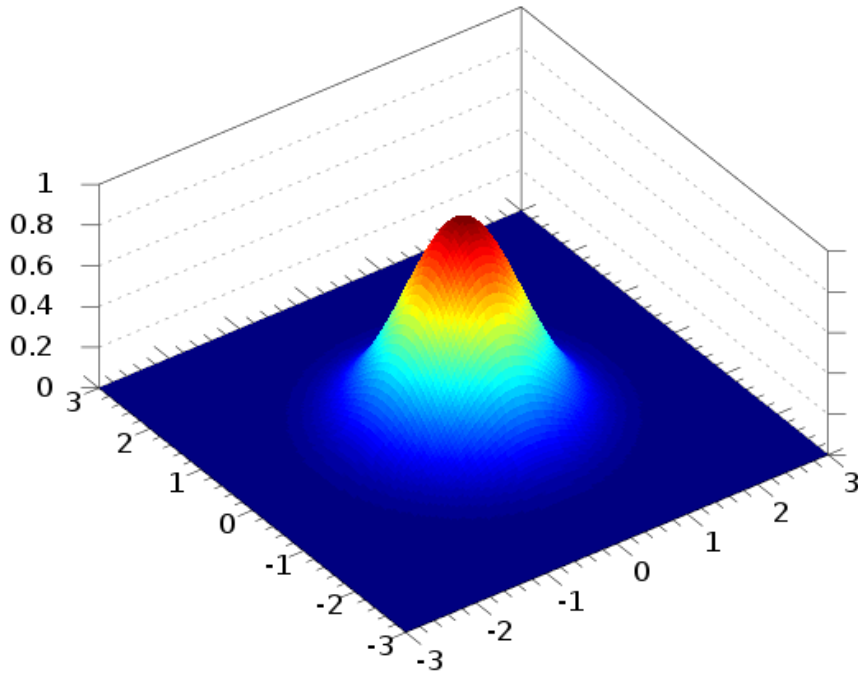
Original

$$* \left(\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 2 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array} - \frac{1}{9} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \right) =$$



Local Neighbourhood Operations

- Another smoothing (blur) operation is Gaussian



$$f(x, y) = A \exp \left(- \left(\frac{(x - x_o)^2}{2\sigma_x^2} + \frac{(y - y_o)^2}{2\sigma_y^2} \right) \right)$$

Local Neighbourhood Operations

- If we use Gaussian as the convolution function, we can find a filter (convolution mask) by integration. (filter is not unique)

$$\frac{1}{273}$$

1	4	7	4	1
4	16	26	16	4
7	26	41	26	7
4	16	26	16	4
1	4	7	4	1



Edge Detection

- Similar to finding the derivative
 - Why?

Edge Detection

- Similar to finding the derivative
 - First derivative

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \approx I(x + 1, y) - I(x, y)$$

0	0	0
0	-1	1
0	0	0

Edge Detection

- Similar to finding the derivative
 - First derivative

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \approx I(x + 1, y) - I(x, y)$$

0	0	0
0	-1	1
0	0	0

- Second derivative

$$\frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} \approx I(x + 1, y) - 2I(x, y) + I(x - 1, y)$$

0	0	0
1	-2	1
0	0	0

Edge Detection

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0	0	0
1	-2	1
0	0	0

$$\frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} \approx \frac{\partial I(x, y)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial I(x+1, y)}{\partial x} = I(x+1, y) - I(x, y) - (I(x, y) - I(x-1, y)) = I(x+1, y) - 2I(x, y) + I(x-1, y)$$

Edge Detection

- Similar to finding the derivative
 - Derivative on both axes (Laplacian)

$$\frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} \approx I(x+1, y) - 2I(x, y) + I(x-1, y) + I(x, y+1) - 2I(x, y) + I(x, y-1)$$

0	1	0
1	-4	1
0	1	0

Edge Detection

- Another version

0	1	0
1	-4	1
0	1	0

1	1	1
1	-8	1
1	1	1

Edge Detection



Edge Detection

- Sobel operator

$$G_x = \frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline -1 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline -2 & 0 & 2 \\ \hline -1 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$G_y = \frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline -1 & -2 & -1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$G = \sqrt{G_x^2 + G_y^2}$$

Or

$$G = |G_x| + |G_y|$$

faster

Edge Detection

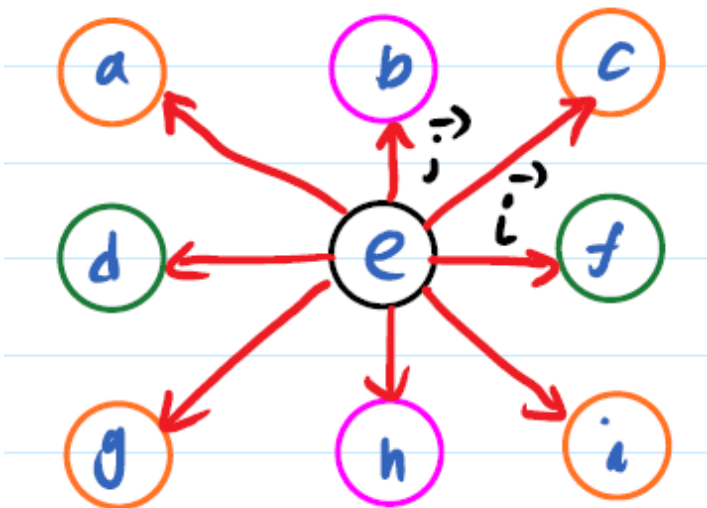
- Sobel operator

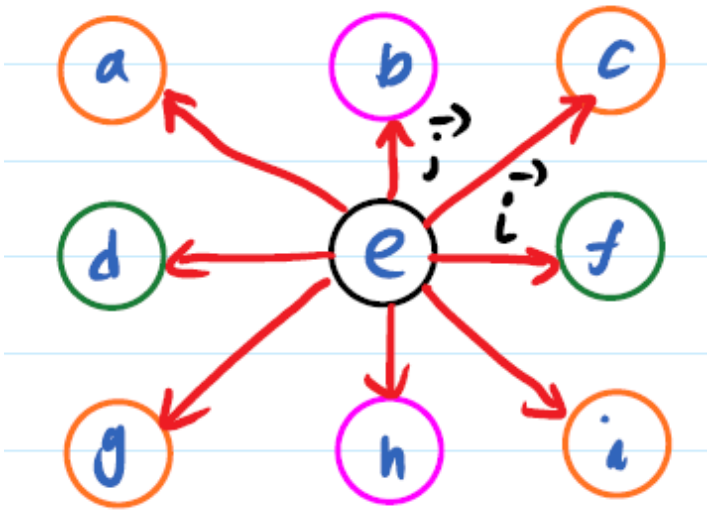
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$$G_y = \frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline -1 & -2 & -1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

How did we find these filters?

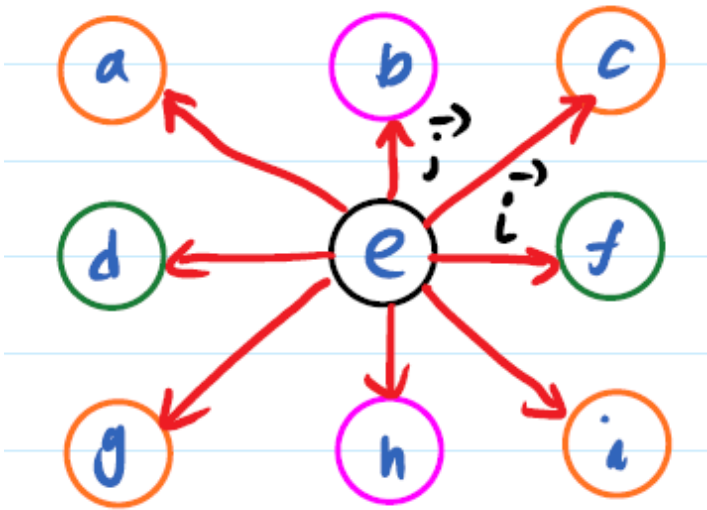
We take the derivative along these eight vectors





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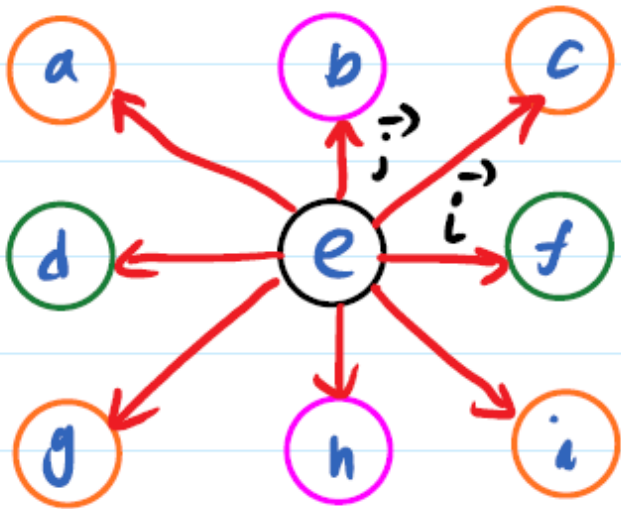
Derivatives along \vec{i} and \vec{j} are easy:



We take the derivative along these eight vectors

Derivatives along \vec{i} and \vec{j} are easy:

$$(f - e)\vec{i} + (d - e)(-\vec{i}) + (b - e)\vec{j} + (h - e)(-\vec{j})$$

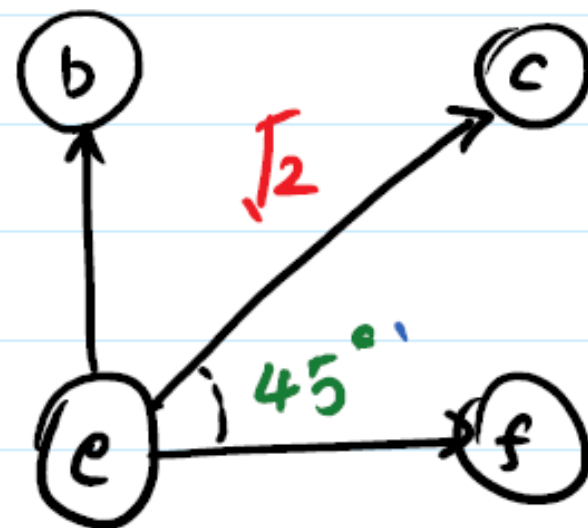


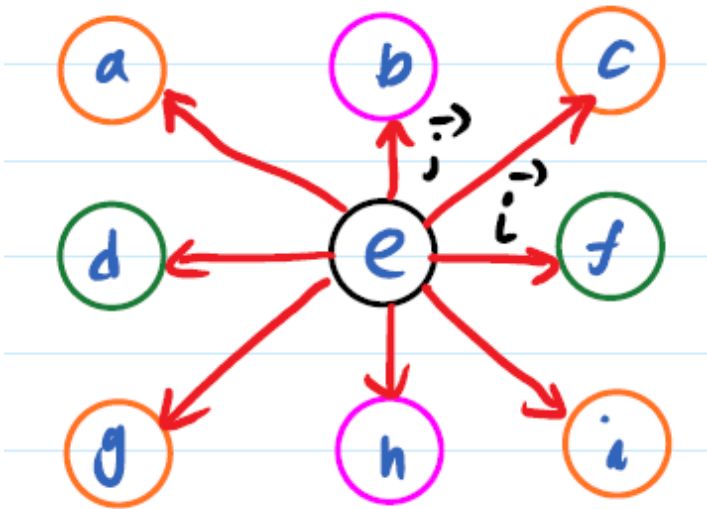
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Let's find the derivative along diagonals:





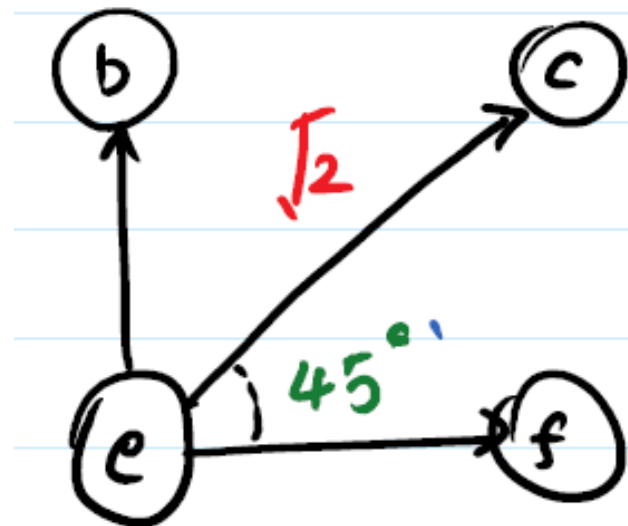
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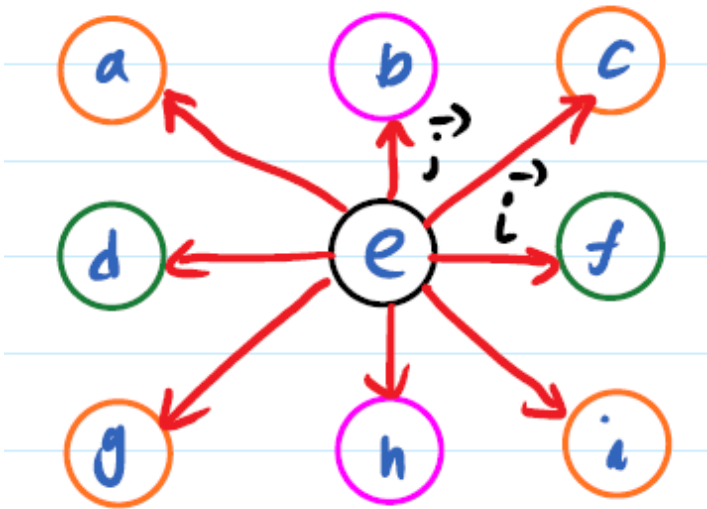
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Let's find the derivative along diagonals:

$$\frac{(c - e)}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{Normalize the length}$$





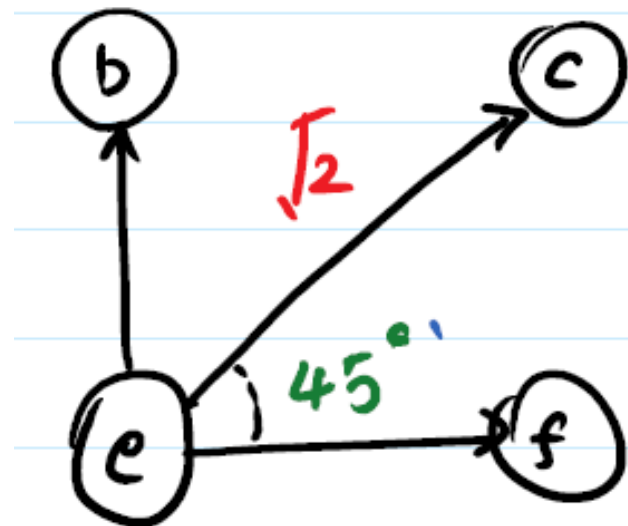
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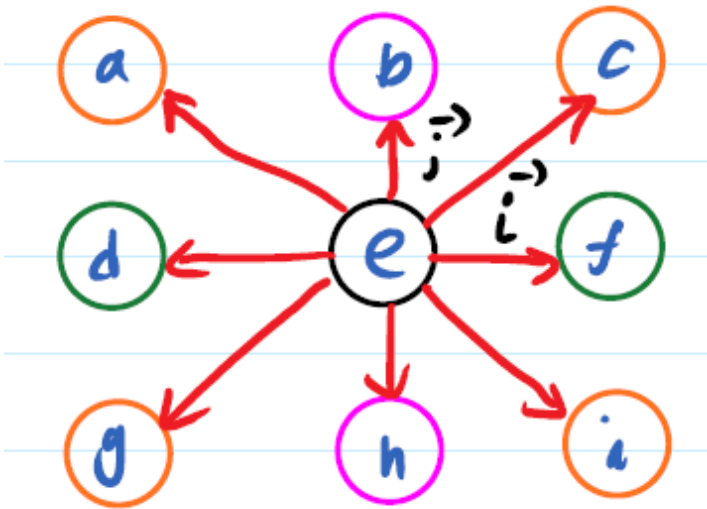
Derivatives along \vec{i} and \vec{j} are easy:

$$(f - e)\vec{i} + (d - e)(-\vec{i}) + (b - e)\vec{j} + (h - e)(-\vec{j})$$

Let's find the derivative along diagonals:

$$\frac{(c - e)}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{Normalize the length, project on } \vec{i} \text{ and } \vec{j}$$





We take the derivative along these eight vectors

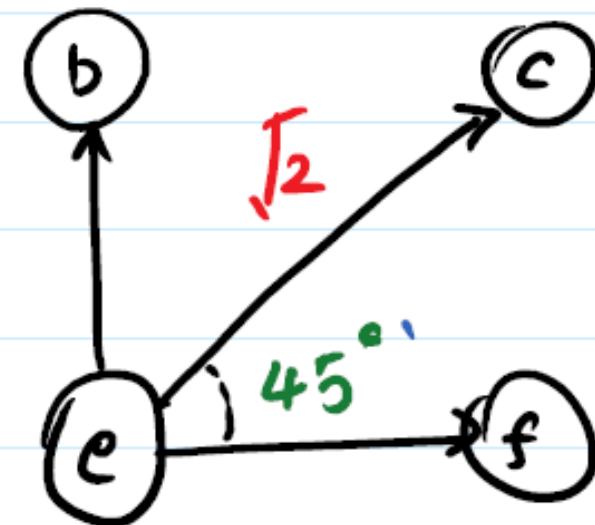
Derivatives along \vec{i} and \vec{j} are easy:

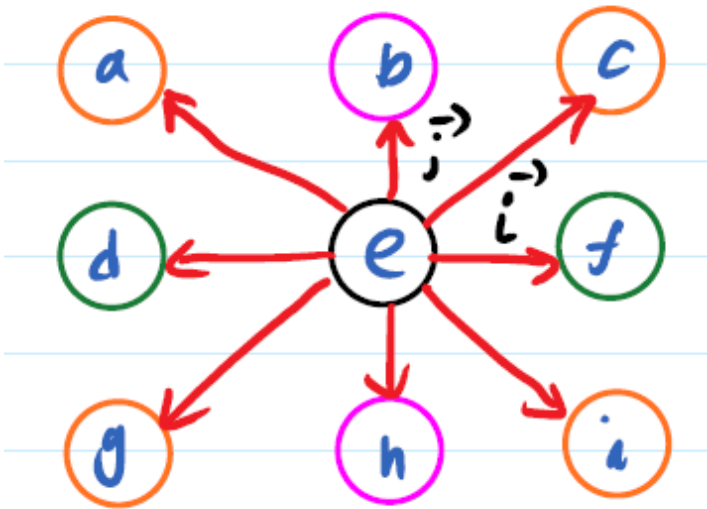
$$(f - e)\vec{i} + (d - e)(-\vec{i}) + (b - e)\vec{j} + (h - e)(-\vec{j})$$

Let's find the derivative along diagonals:

$\frac{(c - e)}{\sqrt{2}}$ Normalize the length, project on \vec{i} and \vec{j}

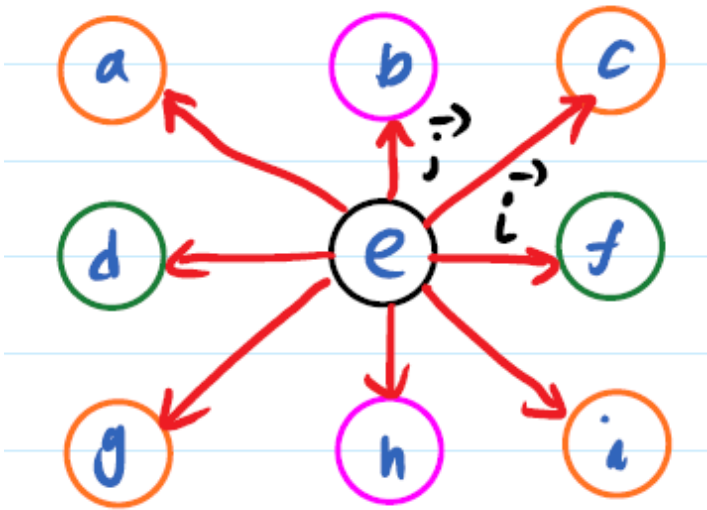
$$\frac{(c - e)}{\sqrt{2}} \cos(45) \vec{i} + \frac{(c - e)}{\sqrt{2}} \sin(45) \vec{j} = \frac{1}{2} (c - e)(\vec{i} + \vec{j})$$





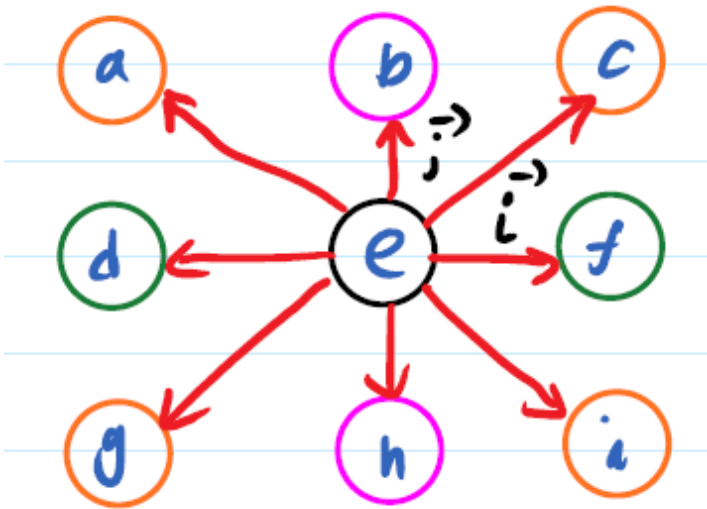
Similarly, we find all the diagonal derivatives

$$(f - e)\vec{i} + (d - e)(-\vec{i}) + (b - e)\vec{j} + (h - e)(-\vec{j}) + \\ \frac{1}{2}(c - e)(\vec{i} + \vec{j}) + \frac{1}{2}(a - e)(\vec{j} - \vec{i}) + \frac{1}{2}(g - e)(-\vec{j} - \vec{i}) + \frac{1}{2}(i - e)(\vec{i} - \vec{j})$$



Add all them up

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (f - e)\vec{i} + (d - e)(-\vec{i}) + (b - e)\vec{j} + (h - e)(-\vec{j}) + \\
 & \frac{1}{2}(c - e)(\vec{i} + \vec{j}) + \frac{1}{2}(a - e)(\vec{j} - \vec{i}) + \frac{1}{2}(g - e)(-\vec{j} - \vec{i}) + \frac{1}{2}(i - e)(\vec{i} - \vec{j}) \\
 & = \left(f - d + \frac{1}{2}c - \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2}g + \frac{1}{2}i \right) \vec{i} \\
 & + \left(b - h + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2}g - \frac{1}{2}i + \frac{1}{2}c \right) \vec{j}
 \end{aligned}$$



Correspond values to find filters

$$(f - e)\vec{i} + (d - e)(-\vec{i}) + (b - e)\vec{j} + (h - e)(-\vec{j}) + \frac{1}{2}(c - e)(\vec{i} + \vec{j}) + \frac{1}{2}(a - e)(\vec{j} - \vec{i}) + \frac{1}{2}(g - e)(-\vec{j} - \vec{i}) + \frac{1}{2}(i - e)(\vec{i} - \vec{j})$$

$$= \left(f - d + \frac{1}{2}c - \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2}g + \frac{1}{2}i \right) \vec{i} + \left(b - h + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2}g - \frac{1}{2}i + \frac{1}{2}c \right) \vec{j}$$

$\frac{-1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$
-1	0	1
$\frac{-1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$

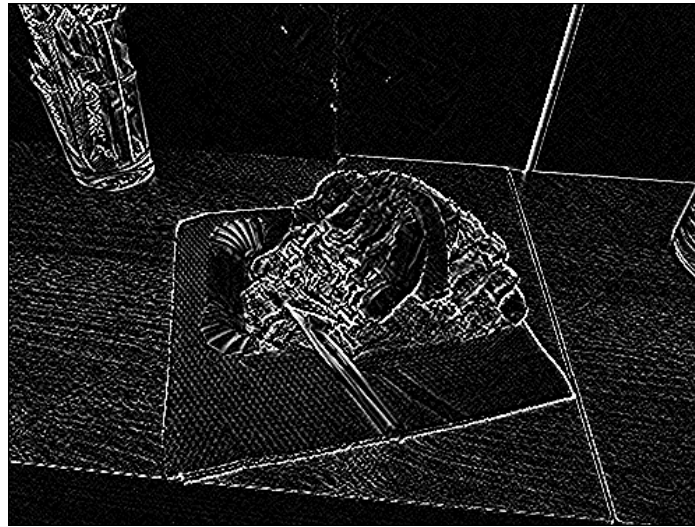
\vec{i}

$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
0	0	0
$\frac{-1}{2}$	-1	$\frac{-1}{2}$

\vec{j}

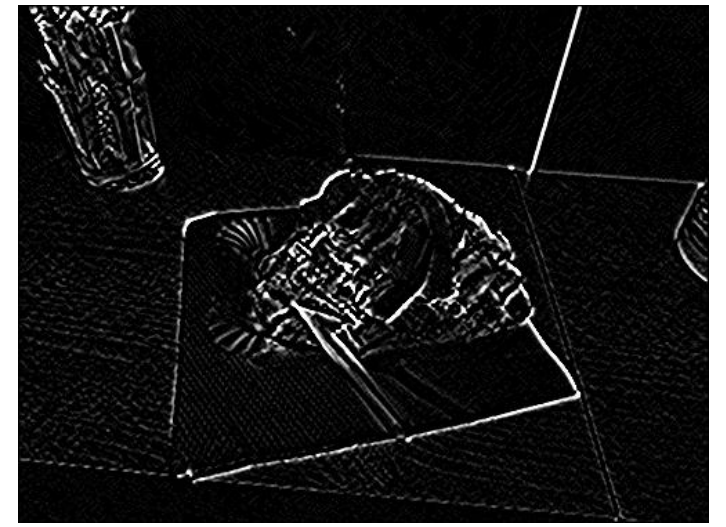
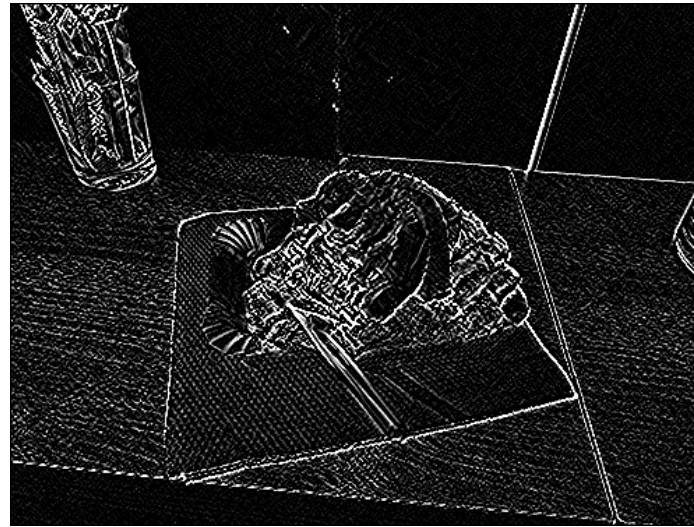
Edge Detection

- Sobel operator
 - One of the most common edge detection filters



Edge Detection

- Notice that there are many artifacts. To avoid these artifacts, we can first smooth the image by Gaussian and then apply the filter.



Edge Detection

- Sobel operator is itself a combination of a smoothing and an edge detection. How?



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- hint: vertical smoothing (weighted average), horizontal edge detection (derivative)

-1	0	1
-2	0	2
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2
1

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-2	0	2
-1	0	1

1
2
1

-1	0	1
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$f(x+h)-f(x-h)$

Image Features

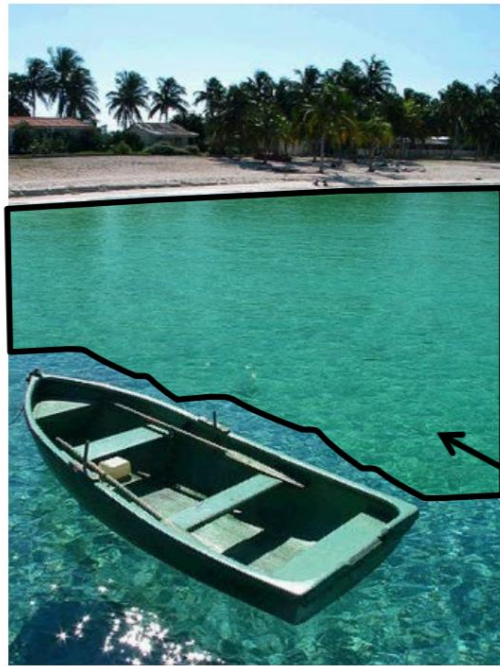
- You can define many different convolution kernels (filters).
- Applying these filters may result a set of image features (e.g., corners, edges, etc), such filters are called feature detectors.

Image Features

- Find a list of feature detector filters and try to implement them in Matlab.

Application

- Image Resizing
 - An application of edge detection aside from Active Contours



Input



Scale



Crop



Content-aware

“less-Important”
content

Application

- How can we define “less important”?
 - The parts that have less visible edges or they have a lower energy

$$e_1(\mathbf{I}) = \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{I} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mathbf{I} \right|$$

Application

- How can we define “less important”?
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$$e_1(\mathbf{I}) = \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{I} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mathbf{I} \right|$$

reminder: $\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \approx I(x+1, y) - I(x, y)$

Application

- We cannot remove single pixels

1	2	1	2
1	2	3	4
2	4	1	0
0	1	2	1
1	2	3	1

Application

- We cannot remove single pixels

How can we shift the pixels?

1	2	1	2
1	2	3	4
2	4	1	0
0	1	2	1
1	2	3	1

Application

- We can remove a column or row that has the smaller sum of energy

1	2	1	2
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Application

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1	2	1	2
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0	1	2	1
1	2	3	1
5	11	10	8

Application

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remove the column

1	2	1	2
1	2	3	4
2	4	1	0
0	1	2	1
1	2	3	1
5	11	10	8

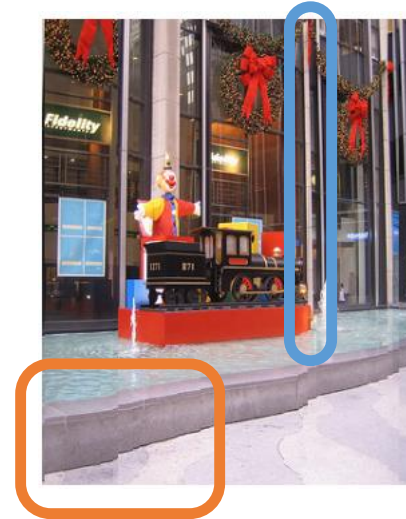
Application

- Problem with column removing
 - The chance of removing important features is high



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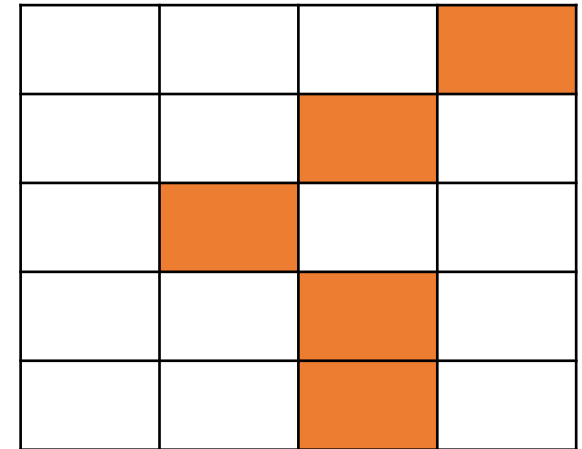
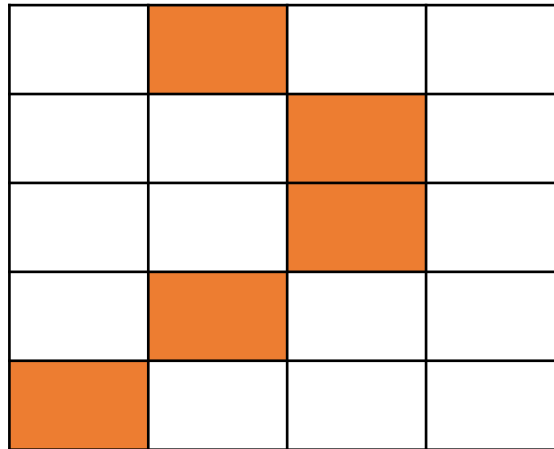
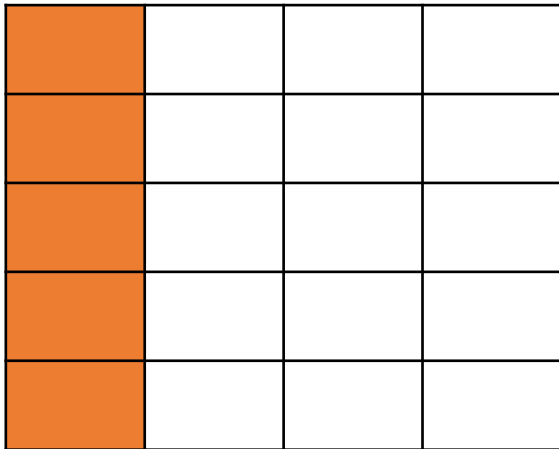
- Instead of a column, we can remove a seam



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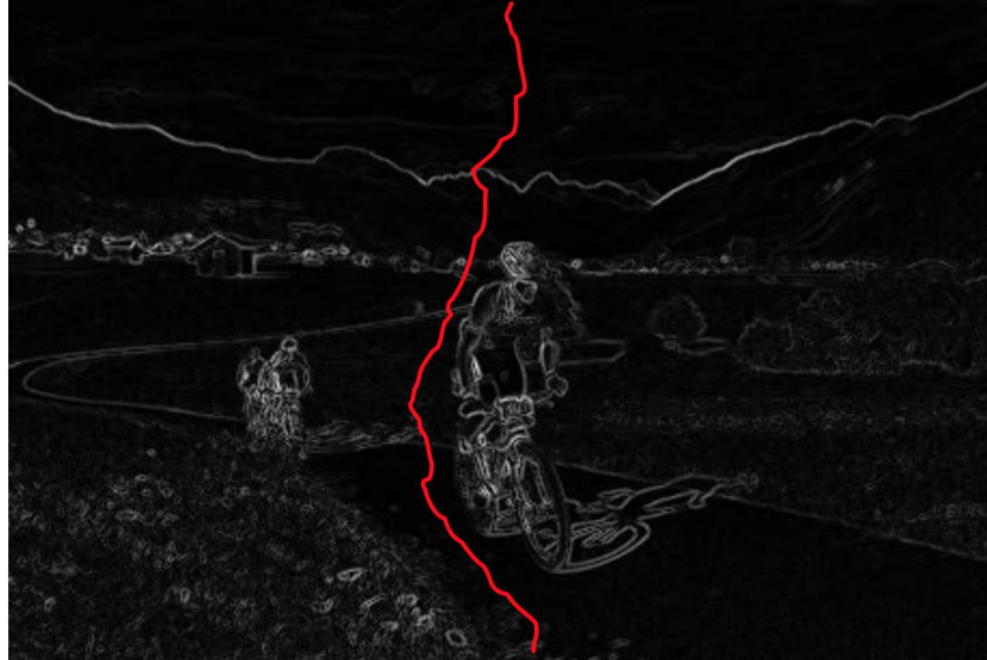
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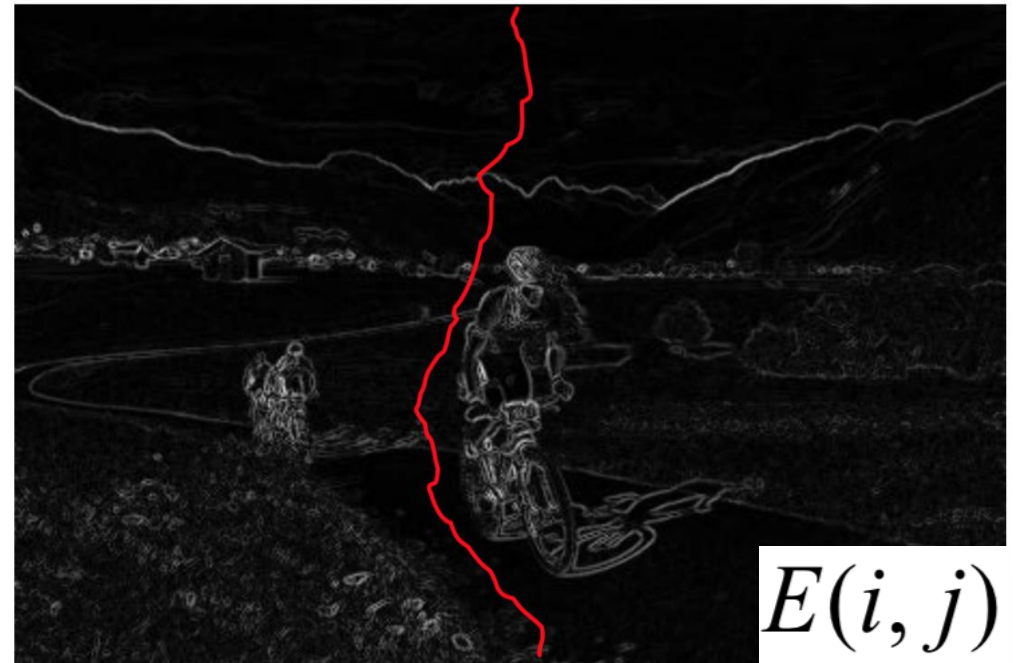


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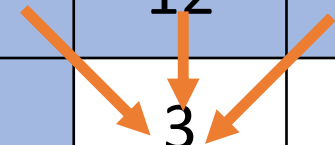
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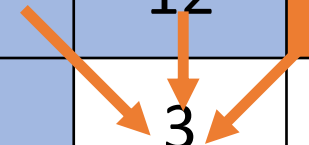
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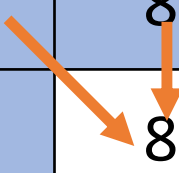
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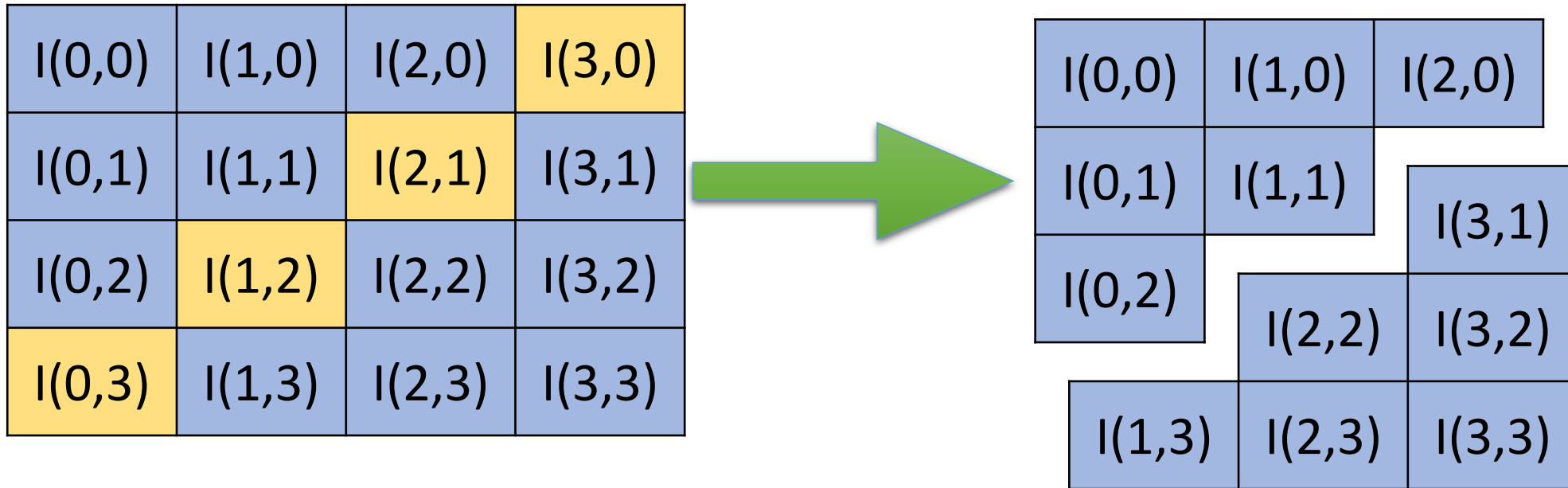
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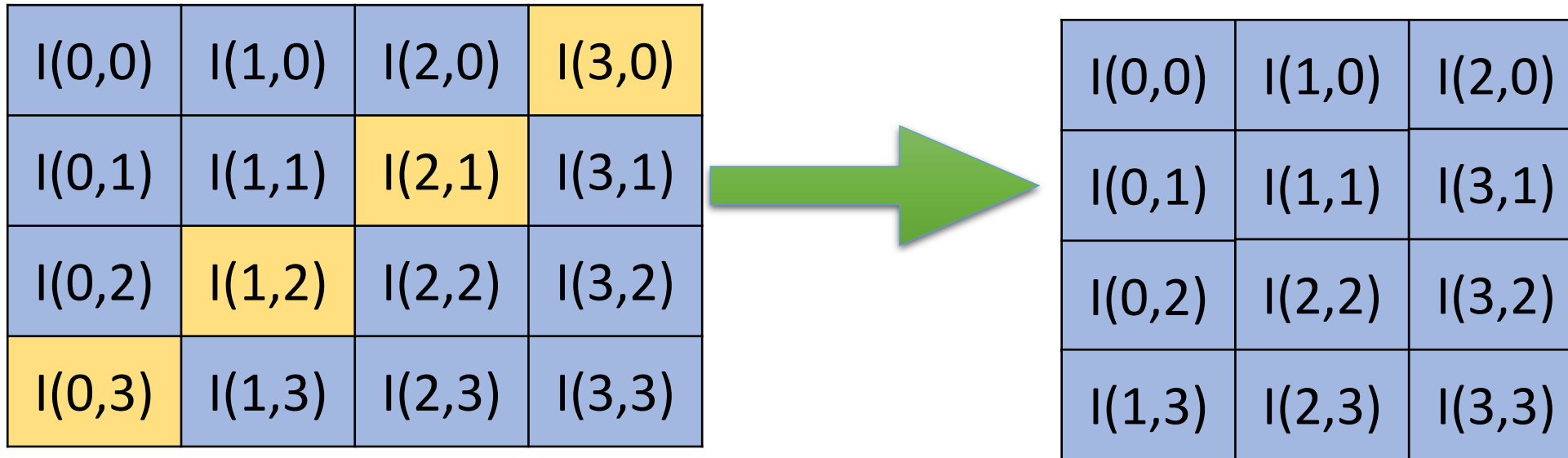
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Results



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