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Given

$$g = h * f$$

Taking

Fourier transform

$$G = HF$$

$$F = \frac{G}{H}$$

capital letters
denote Fourier
transform

Since h is gradient operator, it will be high pass filter which will be close to 0 for low frequencies, so, we can't extract low frequency components in image.

For

2D gradients,

$$g_x = h_x * f$$

$$g_y = h_y * f$$

Take Fourier transform

$$G_x = H_x F$$

$$G_y = H_y F$$

$$\Rightarrow f = F^{-1} \left(\frac{G_x}{H_x} \right) \text{ or } F^{-1} \left(\frac{G_y}{H_y} \right)$$

Here also since H_x and H_y are high pass filters, we'll face similar problem.

$$H_x(u, v) \rightarrow 0 \text{ when } u \text{ is small}$$

$$H_y(u, v) \rightarrow 0 \text{ when } v \text{ is small}$$

So we can use G_y when u is small but v is significant and G_x when v is small but u is significant.

However, when both u and v are small, we can't extract those components of F .