

# 2D Convolution Computation

Reference for the theoretical background: Chapter 6, Robot Vision, pp. 104 – 111, by BKP Horn, MIT Press

Definition:

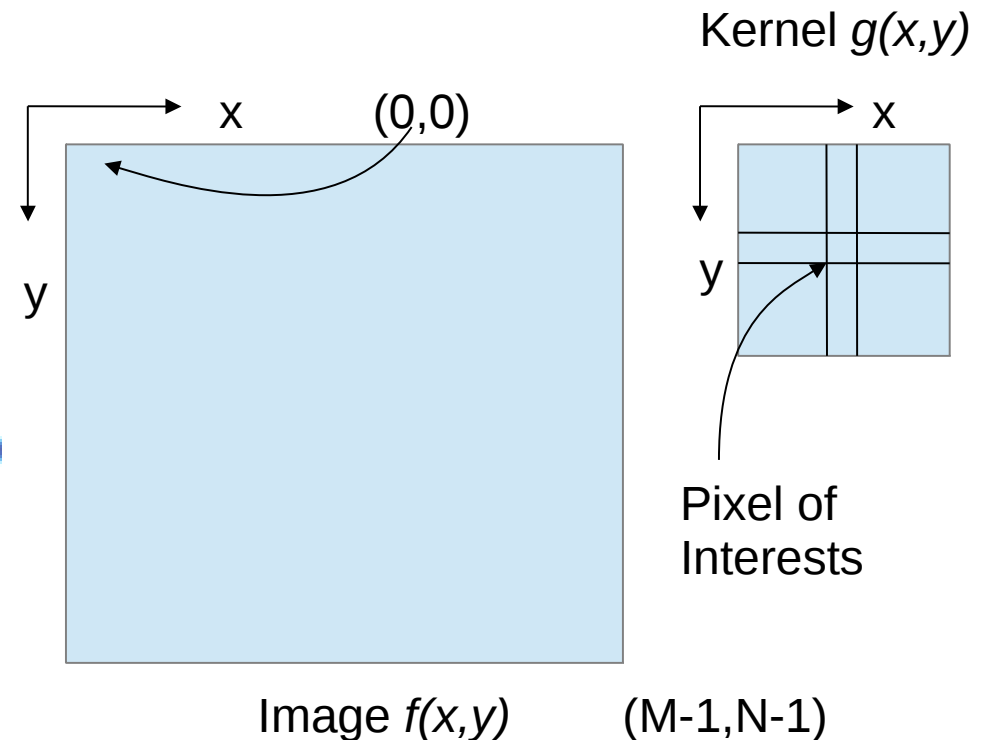
$$f(x) * g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau) \cdot g(x - \tau) d\tau$$

$$c(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k_2=-\infty}^{\infty} a(k_1, k_2) b(n_1 - k_1, n_2 - k_2)$$

Image      Kernel

Summation lower and upper bound in the case of M-by-N image  $f(x,y)$ , should be adjusted to  $k_1 = 0$  to  $M-1$ ,  $k_2 = 0$  to  $N-1$

Reference for the OpenCV implementation: Learning OpenCV, Chapter 6, pp. 144 – 164.



Note: (1) 3 primitive computations: shift, multiplication, and addition;  
(2) use discrete 2D convolution formula to compute 5x5 sample image with 3x3 kernels

# 2D Convolution with Matlab/Octave

$C = \text{conv2}(A,B)$  computes the two-dimensional convolution of matrices A and B.

The size of C is determined as follows: if  $[ma,na] = \text{size}(A)$ ,  $[mb,nb] = \text{size}(B)$ , Then  $[mc,nc] = \text{size}(C)$ , Where  $mc = \max([ma+mb-1,ma,mb])$  and  $nc = \max([na+nb-1,na,nb])$ .



Octave  
on Linux

```
>> A = [ 0 0 100 100 100  
        0 0 100 100 100  
        0 0 100 100 100  
        0 0 100 100 100  
        0 0 100 100 100 ]
```

```
>> B = [ 1 0 -1  
        1 0 -1  
        1 0 -1 ]
```

```
C = conv2(A,B)
```

```
C =
```

```
    0    0   100   100    0  -100  -100  
    0    0   200   200    0  -200  -200  
    0    0   300   300    0  -300  -300  
    0    0   300   300    0  -300  -300  
    0    0   300   300    0  -300  -300  
    0    0   200   200    0  -200  -200  
    0    0   100   100    0  -100  -100
```

Information about Octave is also available on the WWW  
at <http://www.octave.org> and via the [help@octave.org](mailto:help@octave.org)  
mailing list.

# Matlab/Octave Gaussian Convolution

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```
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```

the 'fspecial' function belongs to the image package from Octave Forge, if you have installed but not loaded, run 'pkg load image' from the Octave prompt.

```
>> pkg load image
```

```
>> sigma = 1.0
```

```
>> hsize = 5
```

```
>> h = fspecial('gaussian', hsize, sigma)
```

```
h =
```

0.0029690	0.0133062	0.0219382	0.0133062	0.0029690
0.0133062	0.0596343	0.0983203	0.0596343	0.0133062
0.0219382	0.0983203	0.1621028	0.0983203	0.0219382
0.0133062	0.0596343	0.0983203	0.0596343	0.0133062
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>> h = fspecial('log', hsize, sigma)
```

```
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```

0.002835	0.006353	0.006983	0.006353	0.002835
0.006353	0.000000	-0.015648	0.000000	0.006353
0.006983	-0.015648	-0.051599	-0.015648	0.006983
0.006353	0.000000	-0.015648	0.000000	0.006353
0.002835	0.006353	0.006983	0.006353	0.002835

# Guideline for 2D Convolution by OpenCV

```
Mat kern = (Mat_<char>(3,3) << 0, -1, 0,  
                                -1, 5, -1,  
                                0, -1, 0);
```

first need to define a Mat object that holds the mask

```
:  
filter2D(I, K, I.depth(), kern);
```

Then call the `filter2D` function specifying the input, the output image and the kernel to use

```
filter2D(src, dst, ddepth, kernel, anchor, delta, BORDER_DEFAULT );  
imshow( window_name, dst );
```

The 5th optional argument specifies the center of the kernel, and the 6<sup>th</sup> one for determining what to do in the regions where the operation is undefined (borders). Using this function has the advantage that it's shorter, usually faster than the hand-coded method. Check to see if this method takes 13 milliseconds (depends on the image and kernel size) while hand coded approach may take around 31 milliseconds.

<http://docs.opencv.org/2.4/doc/tutorials/core/mat-mask-operations/mat-mask-operations.html>

# Sample 2D Convolution OpenCV (1)

```
#include "opencv2/imgproc/imgproc.hpp"
#include "opencv2/highgui/highgui.hpp"
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
using namespace cv;
/** @function main */
int main ( int argc, char** argv )
{
    /// Declare variables
    Mat src, dst;
    Mat kernel;
    Point anchor;
    double delta;
    int ddepth;
    int kernel_size;
    char* window_name = "filter2D Demo";
    int c;
    /// Load an image
    src = imread( argv[1] );
    if( !src.data )
    { return -1; }
    /// Create window
    namedWindow( window_name, CV_WINDOW_AUTOSIZE );
```

[http://docs.opencv.org/2.4/doc/tutorials/imgproc/imgtrans/filter\\_2d/filter\\_2d.html](http://docs.opencv.org/2.4/doc/tutorials/imgproc/imgtrans/filter_2d/filter_2d.html)

# Sample 2D Convolution OpenCV (2)

```
/// Initialize arguments for the filter
anchor = Point( -1, -1 );
delta = 0;
ddepth = -1;
/// Loop - filter image w/different kernel sizes each 0.5 seconds
int ind = 0;
while( true )
{
    c = waitKey(500);
    /// Press 'ESC' to exit the program
    if( (char)c == 27 )
        { break; }
    /// Update kernel size for a normalized box filter
    kernel_size = 3 + 2*( ind%5 );
    kernel = Mat::ones( kernel_size, kernel_size, CV_32F ) /
(float)(kernel_size*kernel_size);
    filter2D(src, dst, ddepth, kernel, anchor, delta,
BORDER_DEFAULT );
    imshow( window_name, dst );
    ind++;
}
return 0;
}
```

Kernel  
Definition

2D Convolution

[http://docs.opencv.org/2.4/doc/tutorials/imgproc/imgtrans/filter\\_2d/filter\\_2d.html](http://docs.opencv.org/2.4/doc/tutorials/imgproc/imgtrans/filter_2d/filter_2d.html)