

# Digital Image Processing

## Lecture 8 Object Recognition 2

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# Outline

- SIFT Descriptor
- Histogram of Oriented Gradients

# SIFT Detector

- Interest Points
- Detecting Blobs (Binary Local Object)
- SIFT Detector
- SIFT Descriptor

- Size
- Orientation
- Lighting
- Object occlusion

# SIFT Detector

- Interesting points (Keypoints):
  - Rich image content (brightness variation, color variation etc)
  - Signature (representation) for matching/comparing with other points
  - Well-defined position
  - Invariant to image rotation and scaling

# SIFT Detector

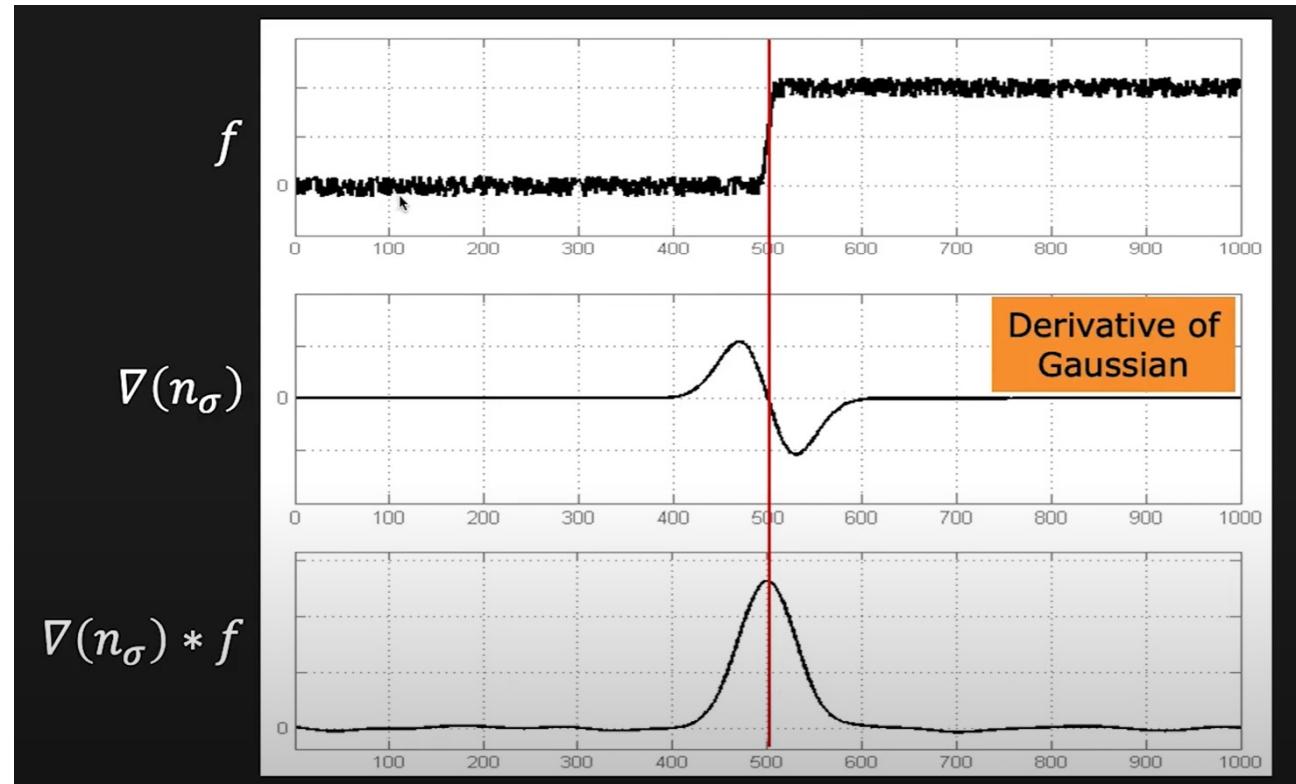
- Locate the keypoint
- Determine the size
- Determine the orientation
- Formulate a description/signature (independent of size and orientation)

# SIFT Detector

- Gaussian operator for 1-D function

First derivative with respect to x, of the Gaussian

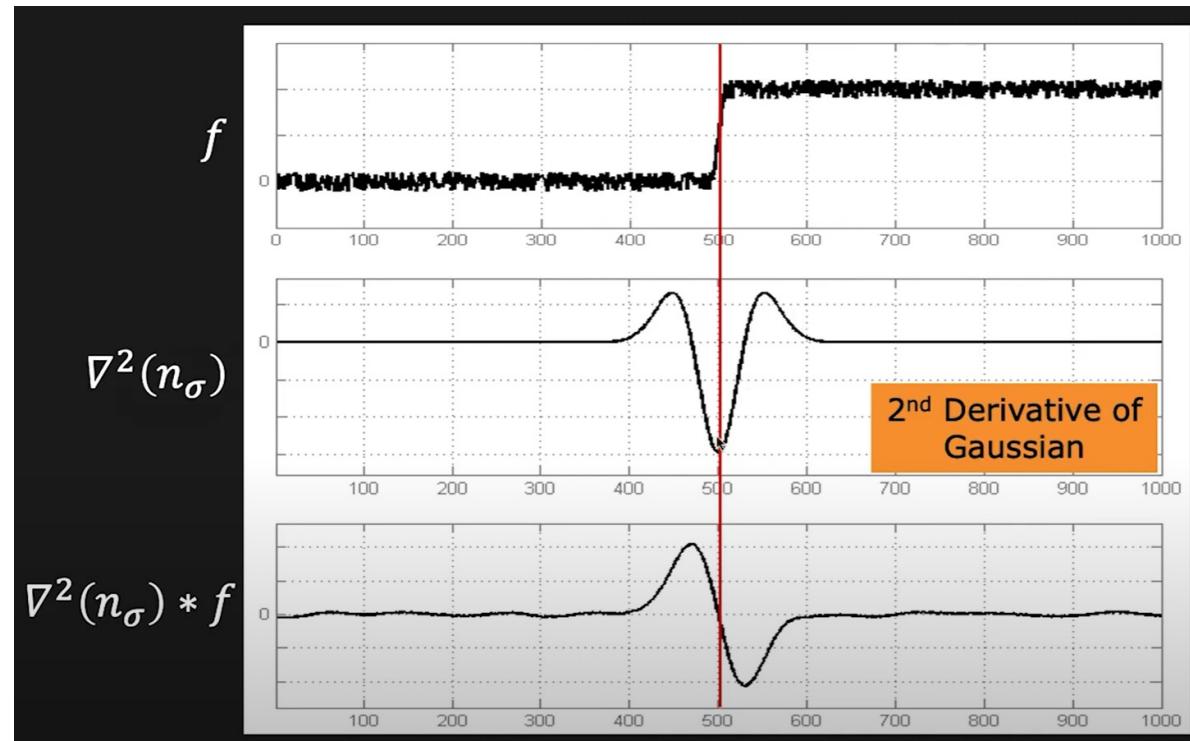
Convolve the image with Gaussian



Extremum of Derivative of Gaussian denotes an Edge

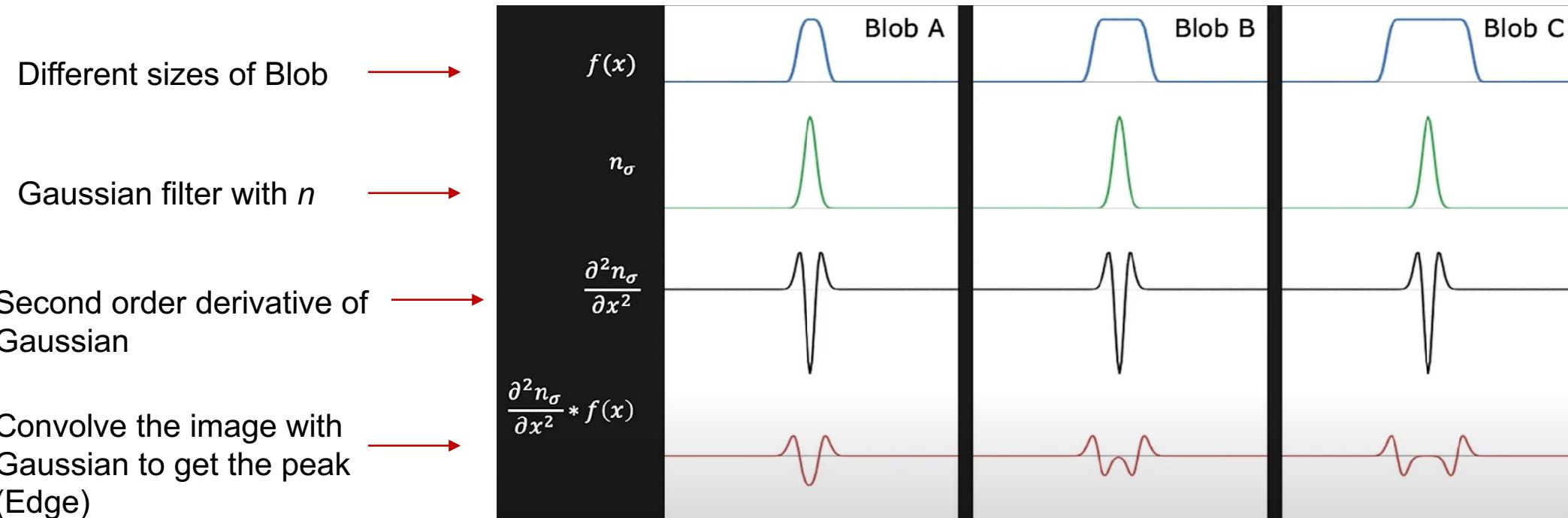
# SIFT Detector

- You can find the edge using second order derivative

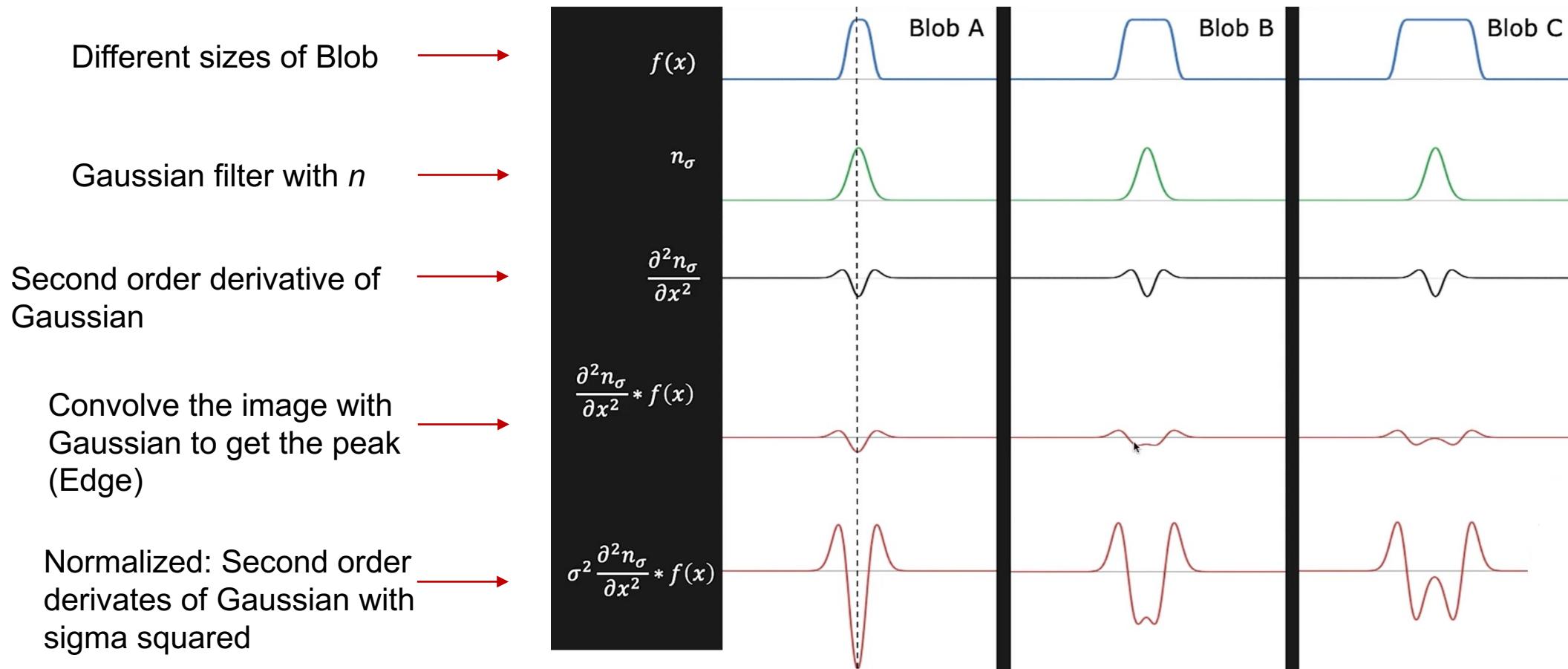


Zero crossing in 2<sup>nd</sup> Derivative of Gaussian denote an Edge

# SIFT Detector

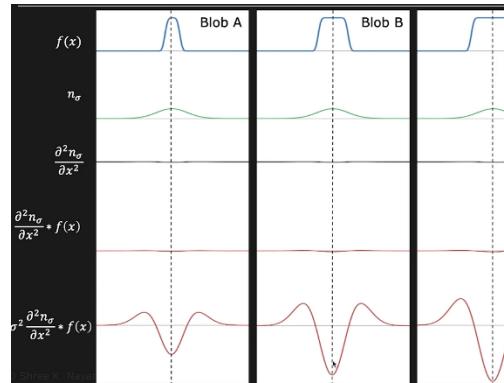
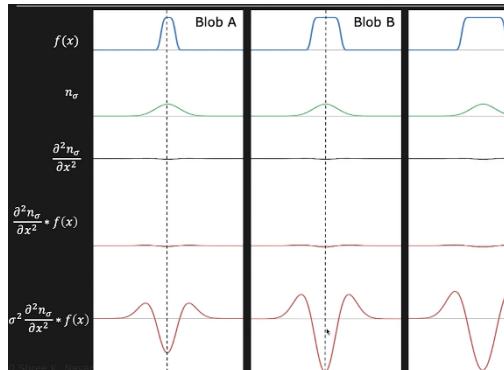


# SIFT Detector



# SIFT Detector

- Normalization:
  - The response of the Gaussian operator will depend on the sigma that we use
  - As a sigma gets wider its peak value begins to fall
  - The response of the operator also reduces with sigma
- When we increase the value of sigma the response is distinct peak



# SIFT Detector

- Apply the second derivative of Gaussian for multiple sigmas
- Apply a large number of sigmas, sigmas is referred to as scale
- Irrespective of size of the blob, we can produce some a maximum that the location of blob at some scale
- After that, we have stack of images which corresponding to different scales that is the output of the second derivate of the Gaussian applied to the image at multiple sigma values
- Local Extrema in  $(x, \sigma)$  space represent blobs

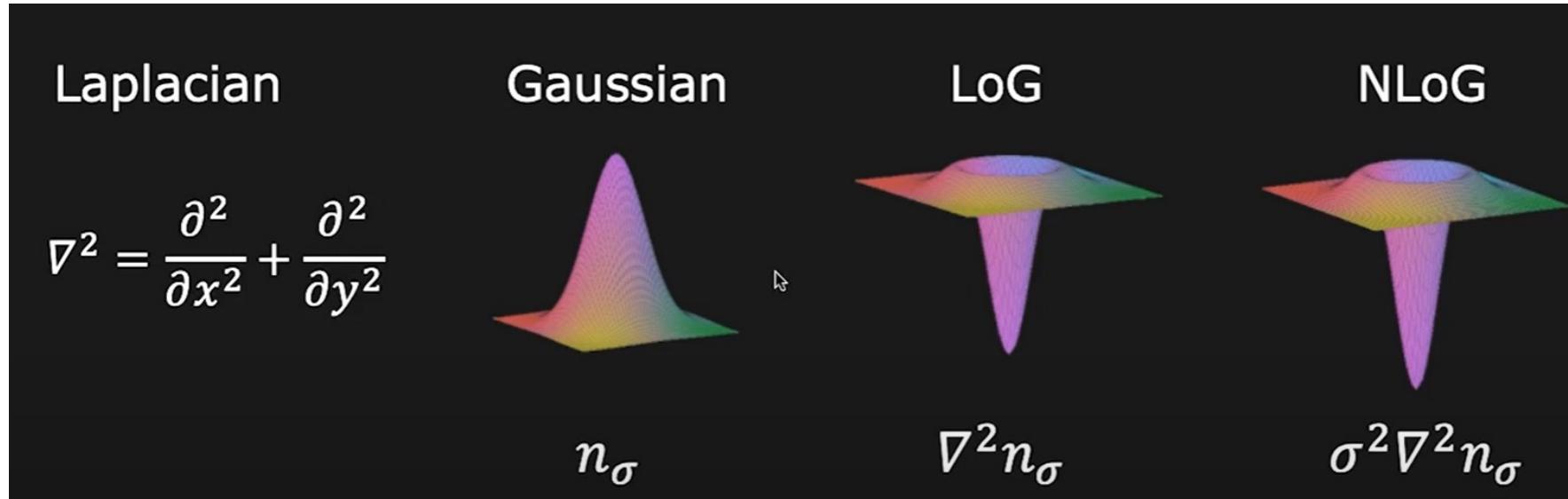
$\sigma$  – scale,  $x$  – spatial coordinates

# SIFT Detector

- For given  $f(x)$
- Compute:  $\sigma^2 \frac{\partial^2 n_\sigma}{\partial x^2} * f(x)$  at many scales ( $\sigma$ )
- In stack, we will find the Extremum corresponding to the position and scale  
 $\arg \max (x, \sigma)$

# SIFT Detector

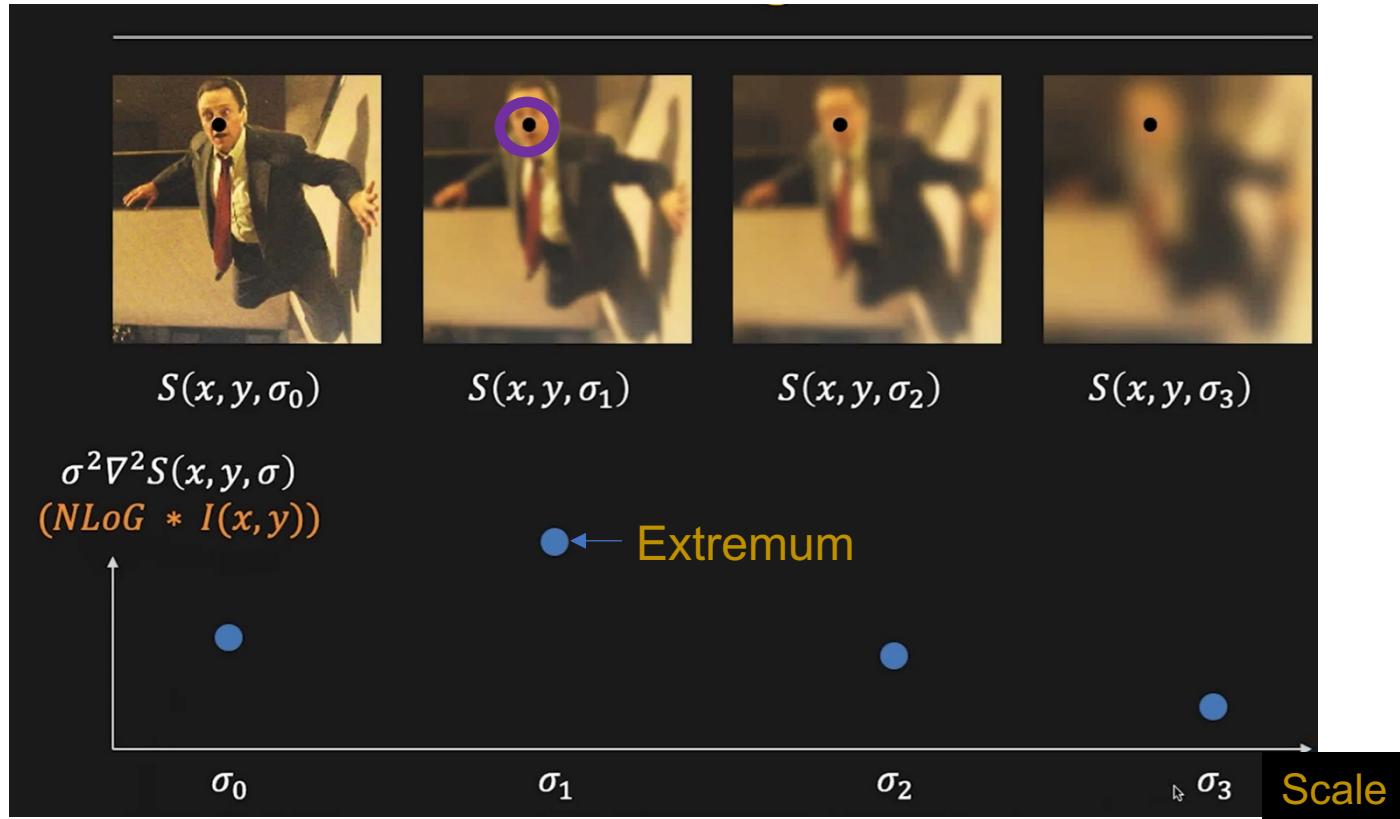
- For 2D image: Normalized Laplacian of Gaussian is used as the 2D image



- Location of Blobs given by Local Extrema after applying Normalized Laplacian of Gaussian at many scales
- Apply Gaussian filter with multiple sigma values to get a stack of volume

# SIFT Detector

- Stack Space: Stack created by filtering an image with Gaussian of different sigma ( $\sigma$ )



# SIFT Detector

- Given an image  $I(x, y)$
- Convolve the image suing NLoG at many scales  $\sigma$

$$(x^*, y^*, \sigma^*) = \underset{(x,y,\sigma)}{\arg\max} |\sigma^2 \nabla^2 n_\sigma * I(x, y)|$$

$(x^*, y^*)$  = Position of the blob

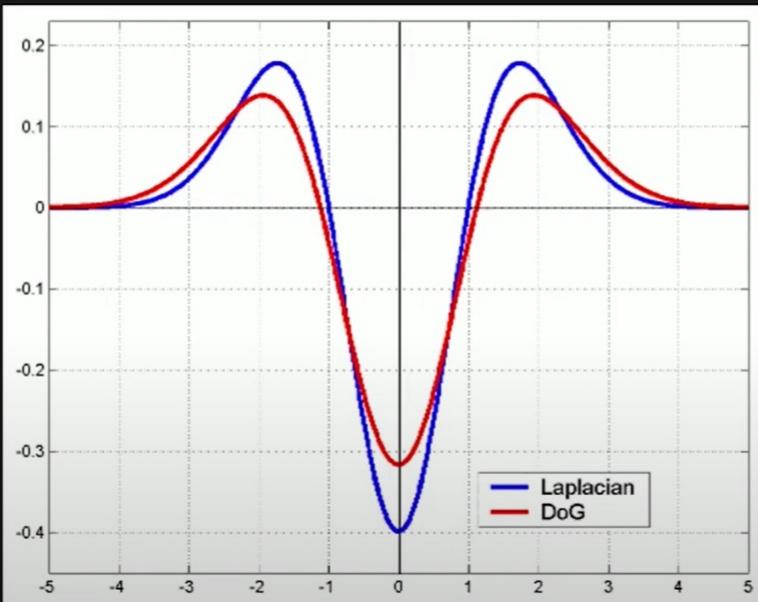
$\sigma^*$  = Size the blob

# SIFT Detector

- Difference of Gaussian (DoG) : Enhance the information

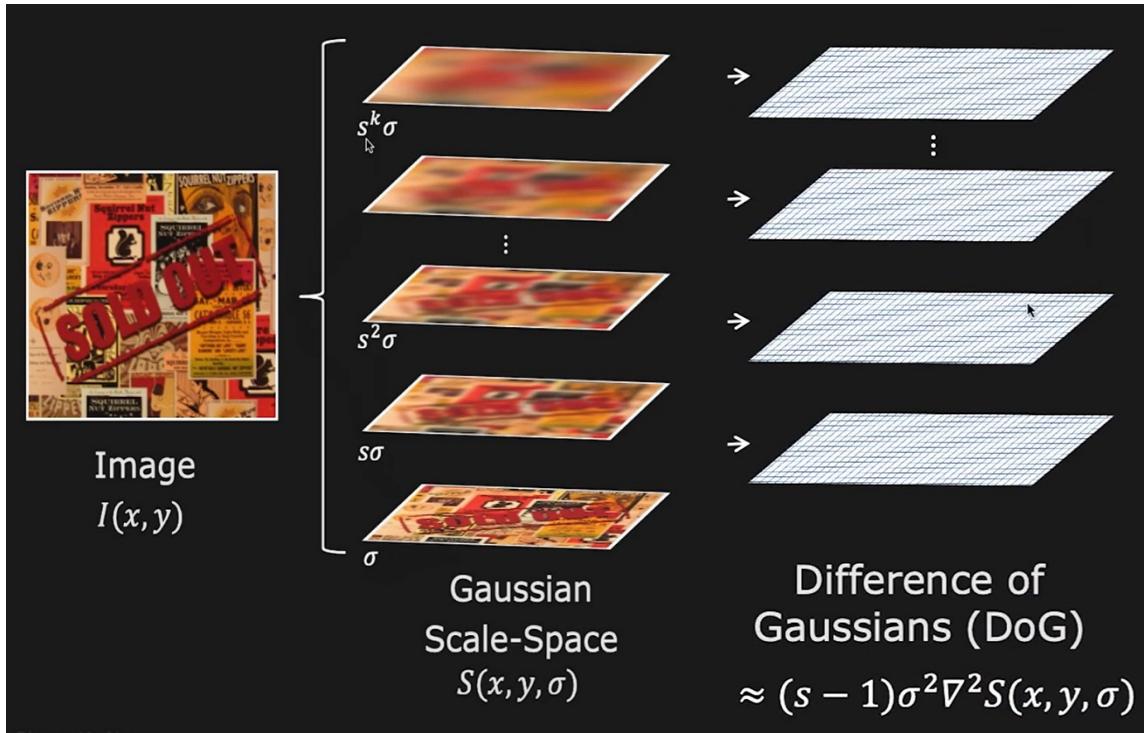
$$\text{Difference of Gaussian (DoG)} = (n_{s\sigma} - n_{\sigma}) \approx (s - 1)\sigma^2 \nabla^2 n_{\sigma}$$

NLoG



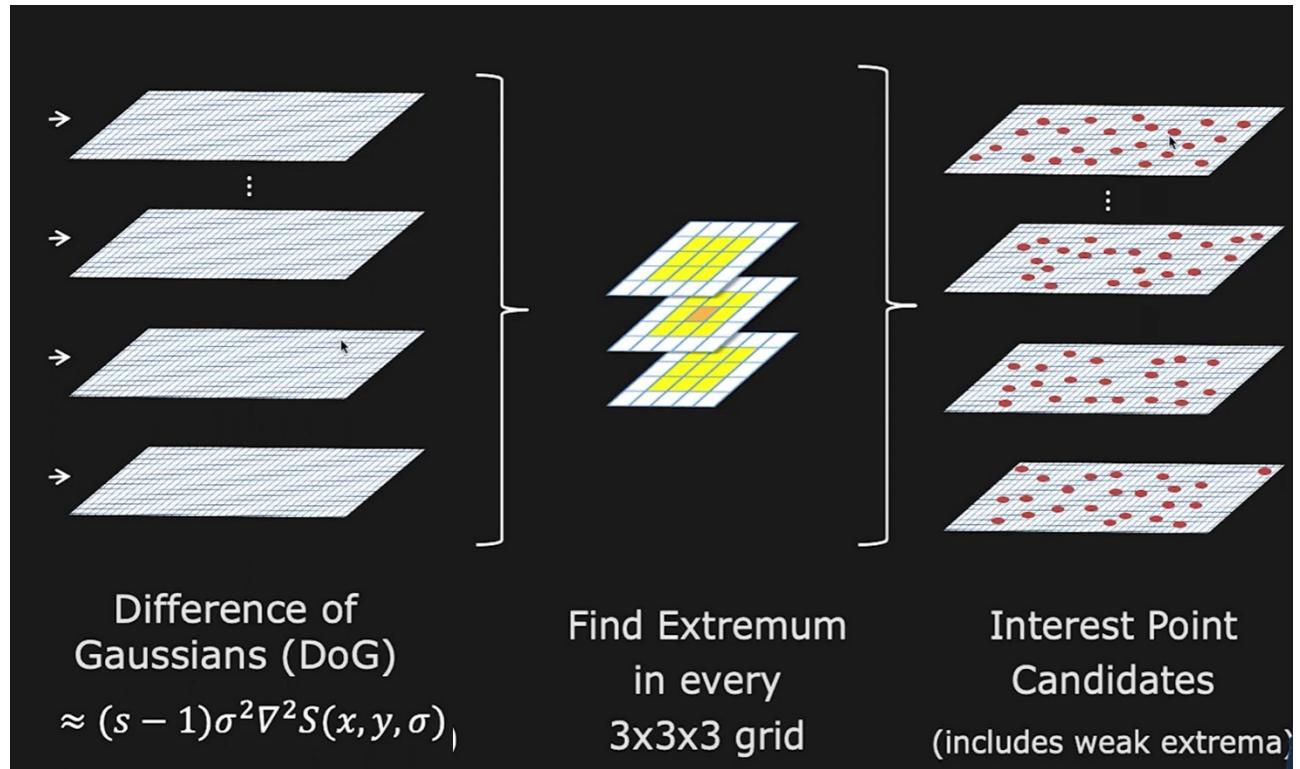
# SIFT Detector

- Find keypoints



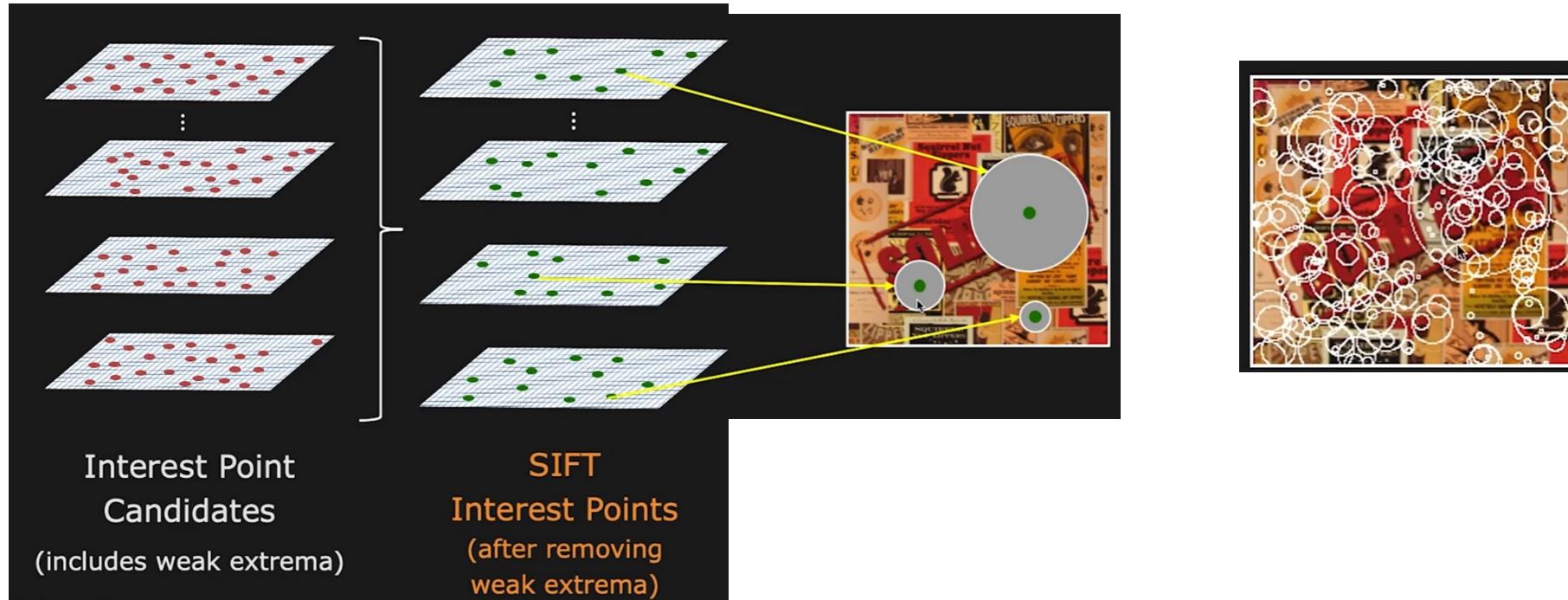
# SIFT Detector

## ■ Keypoints



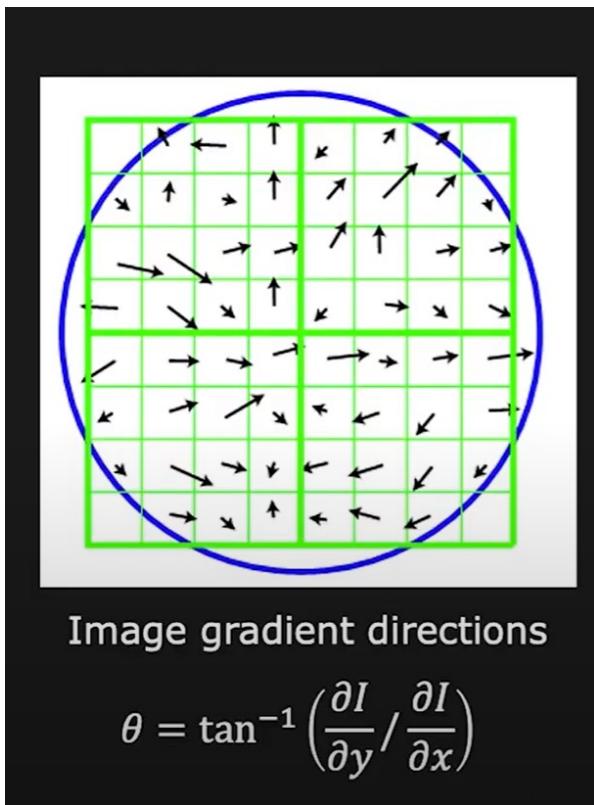
# SIFT Detector

- Elimination of the bad keypoints: Threshold, Hessian determinant



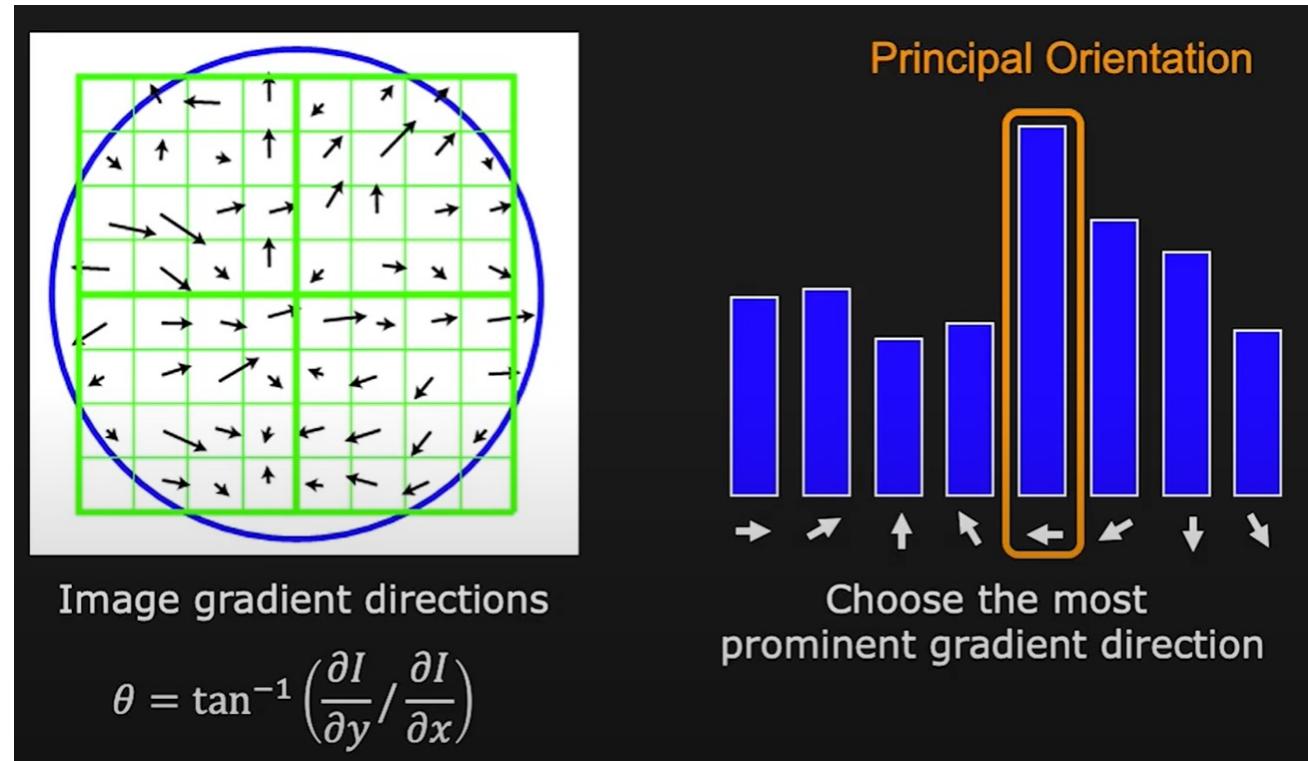
# SIFT Detector

- Computing the principal orientation
- Use the histogram of gradient directions



- After the scale has been removed this is area that the blob occupied
- We can place a grid in there
- Every pixel in the grid we can compute the gradient
- Apply gradient operator which gives orientation of the edge and magnitude
- Ignore magnitude (Magnitude is affected by lighting )
- Orientation Direction of the gradient is taken
- Create a histogram

# SIFT Detector

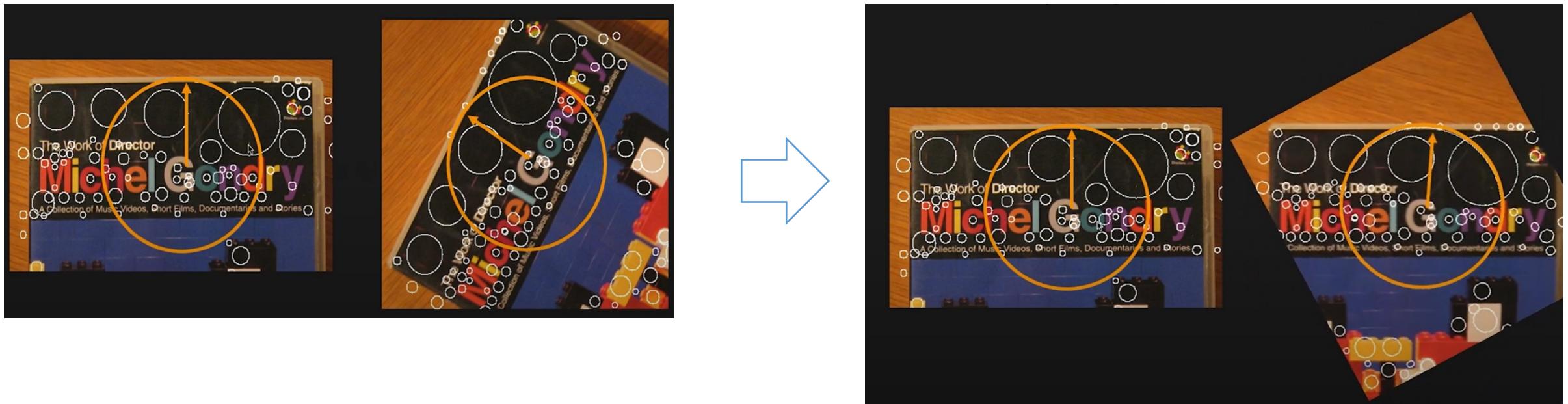


## Rotation Invariance

- Create a histogram
- X-axis represents direction and bars corresponding to the number of pixels within the region, which have that particular direction (edge direction)

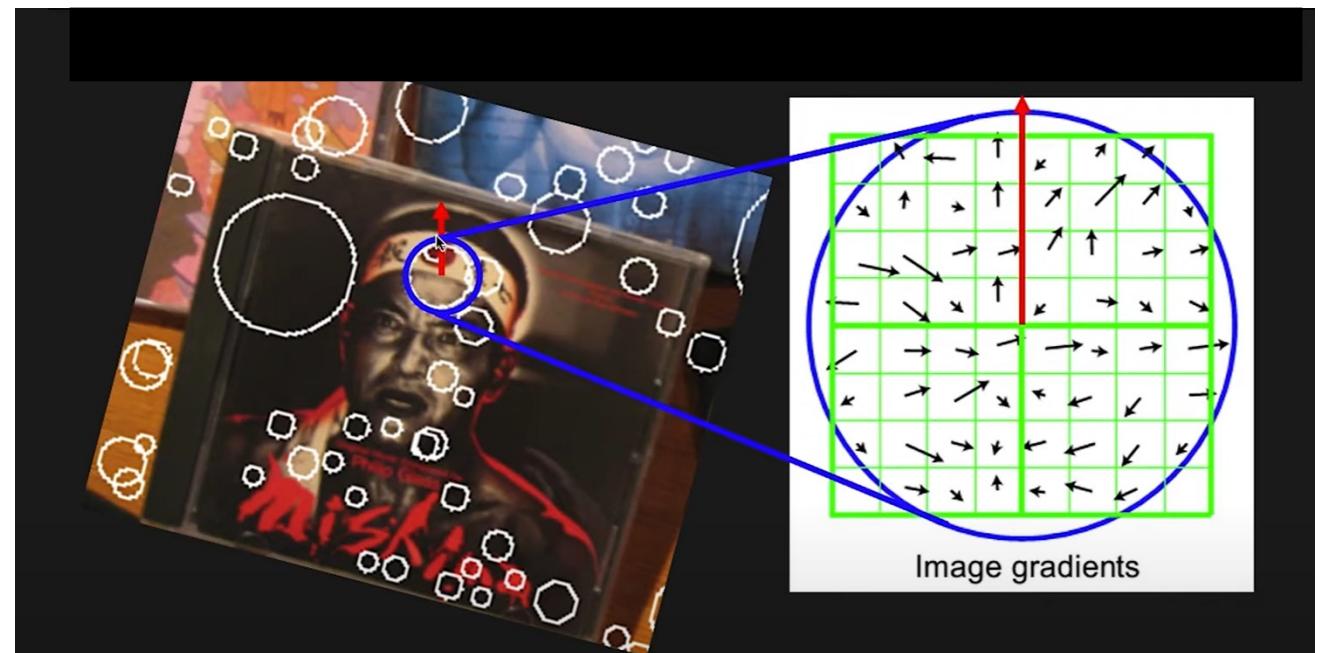
# SIFT Detector

- You can compute orientation and undo the rotation of one to match the other



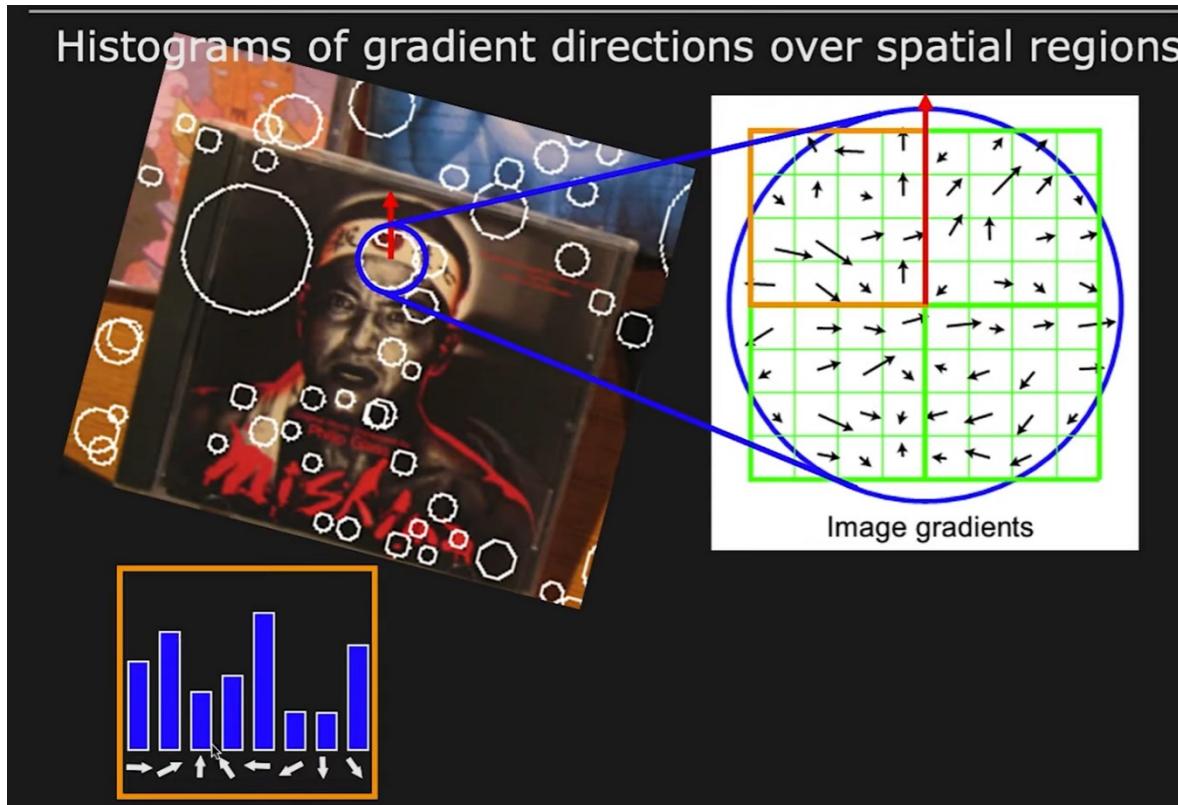
# SIFT Descriptor

- Histograms of the gradient directions over spatial regions



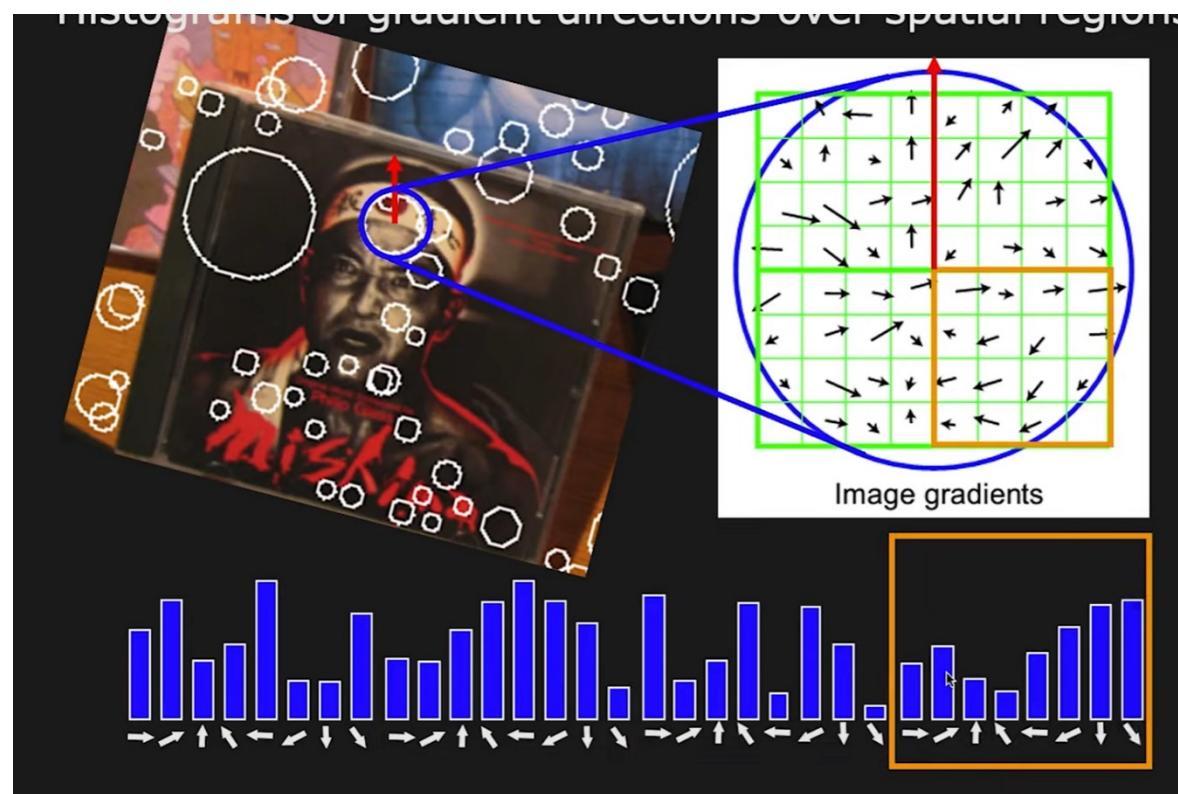
# SIFT Descriptor

- We place some standard size of grid here
- We can compute gradient of each pixel (magnitude and orientation)



# SIFT Descriptor

- Normalized histogram: Invariant to Rotation, Scale, Brightness
- We can use as a descriptor signature for matching to SIFT features



# SIFT Descriptor

- Comparing SIFT descriptors
- L2 distance
- If  $H_1(K)$  and  $H_2(K)$  are two arrays of data of length  $N$

$$d(H_1, H_2) = \sqrt{\sum_k (H_1(K) - H_2(K))^2}$$

- Normalized correlation (Template matching)
- Intersection matrices

# HOG: Histogram of Oriented Gradients

# HOG: Histogram of Oriented Gradients

- Approach to extract feature from image retaining crucial features
- It is like Canny edge detector, SIFT (Scale Invariant and Feature Transform)
- It is used for object detection
- The technique counts occurrences of gradient orientation in the localized portion of an image

# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

- The HOG descriptor focuses on the structure or the shape of an object.
- It uses both magnitude and orientation of the gradient to compute features.
- For the regions of the image, it generates histograms using the magnitude and orientations of the gradient.

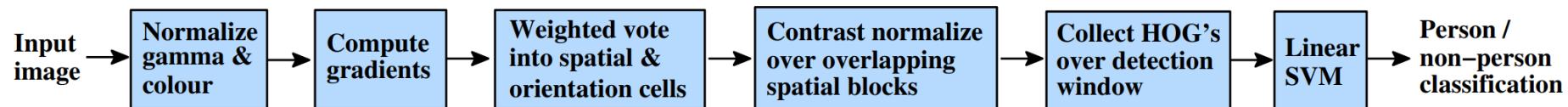


Figure 1. An overview of our feature extraction and object detection chain. The detector window is tiled with a grid of overlapping blocks in which Histogram of Oriented Gradient feature vectors are extracted. The combined vectors are fed to a linear SVM for object/non-object classification. The detection window is scanned across the image at all positions and scales, and conventional non-maximum suppression is run on the output pyramid to detect object instances, but this paper concentrates on the feature extraction process.

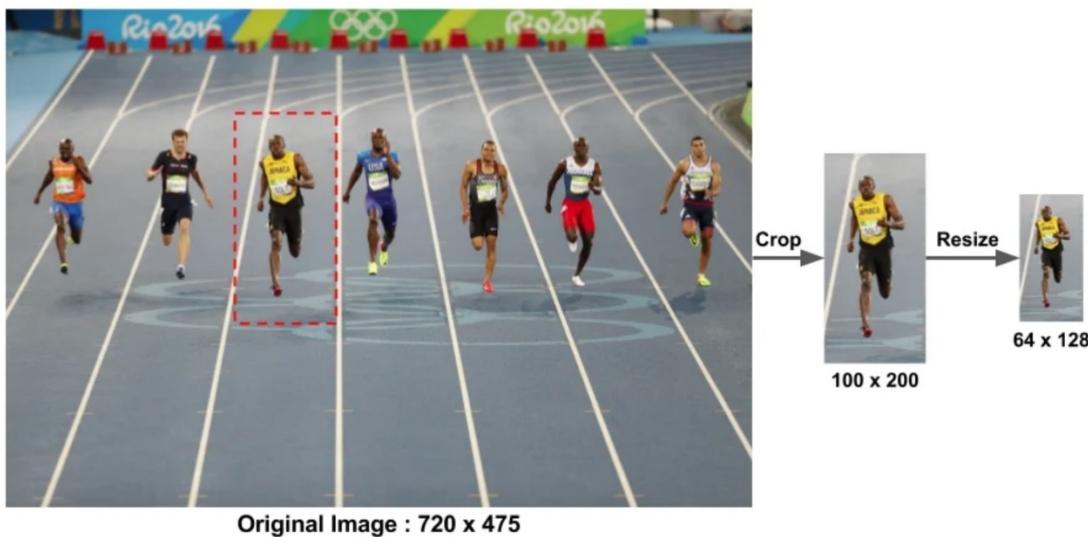
Source: Navneet Dalal and Bill Triggs: "Histograms of Oriented Gradients for Human Detection" CVPR-2005

# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

- Steps to calculate HOG Features

## Step 1 : Preprocessing

- Resize the input grayscale image into  $128 \times 64$  (used in the author paper)



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# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

## Step 2 : Calculate the Gradient Images

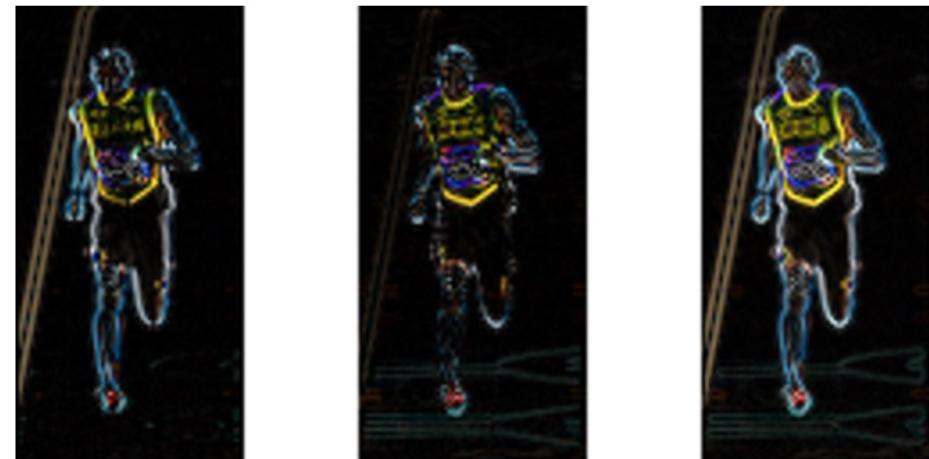
- Calculate the horizontal and vertical gradients
- We can find the magnitude and direction of gradient

-1	0	1
0		
1		

Sobel operator with kernel size 1

$$g = \sqrt{g_x^2 + g_y^2} \quad \theta = \arctan^{g_y/g_x}$$

At every pixel, the gradient has a magnitude and a direction. For color images, the gradients of the three channels are evaluated ( as shown in the figure above ). The magnitude of gradient at a pixel is the maximum of the magnitude of gradients of the three channels, and the angle is the angle corresponding to the maximum gradient.



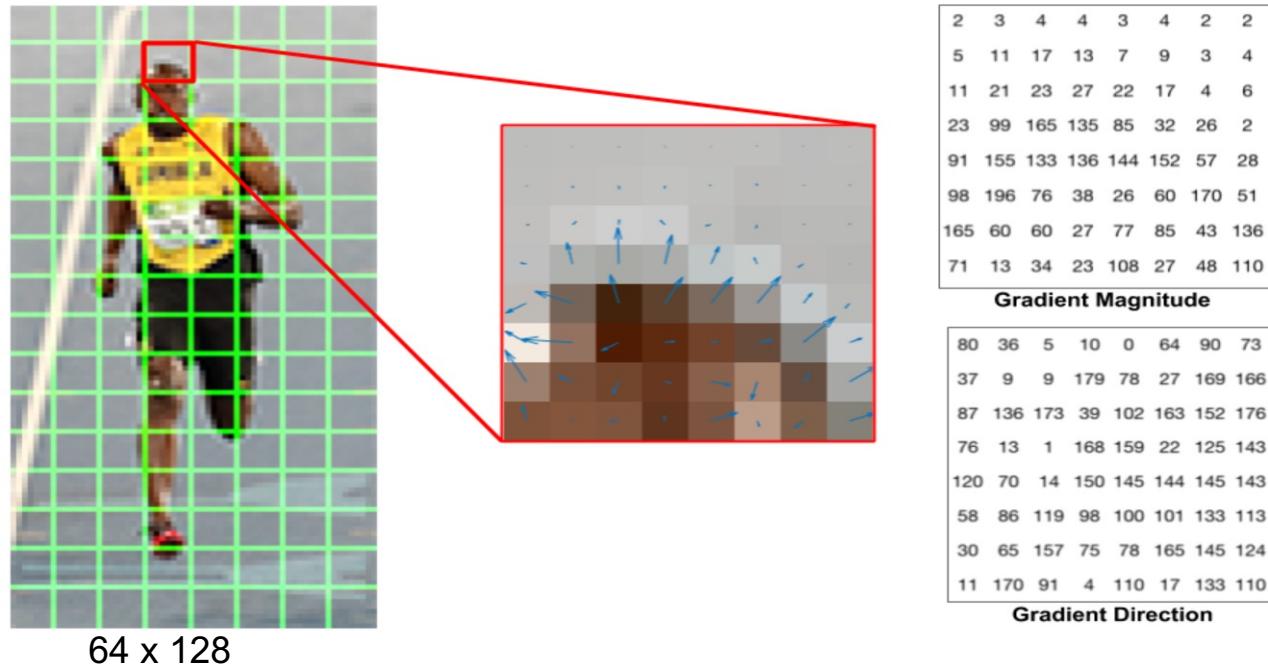
Left : Absolute value of x-gradient. Center : Absolute value of y-gradient. Right : Magnitude of gradient.

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# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

## Step 3 : Calculate Histogram of Gradients in 8x8 cells

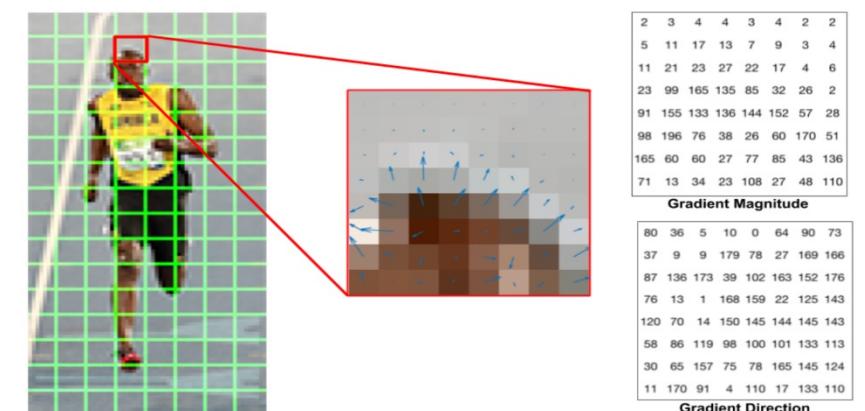
- image is divided into 8x8 cells and a histogram of gradients is calculated for each 8x8 cells



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# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

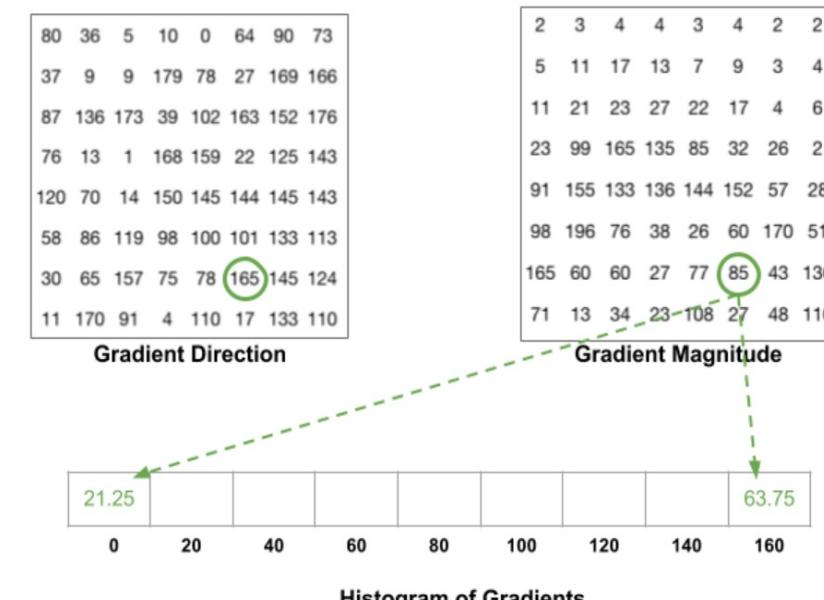
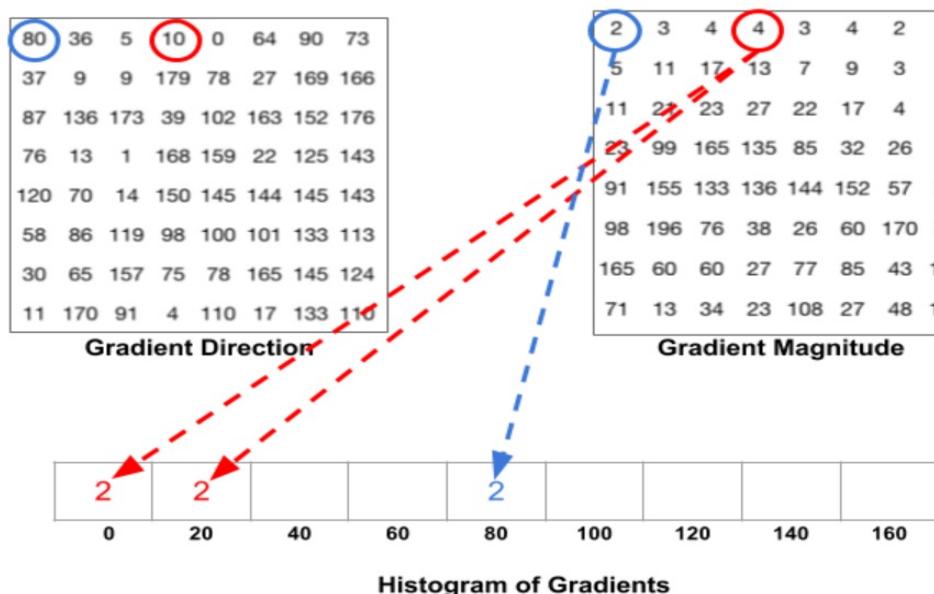
- To provide a compact representation, an image is divided into  $8 \times 8$  cells and a feature descriptor is used to characterize a patch of the image
- The gradient of this patch contains 2 values ( magnitude and direction ) each pixel for a total of  $8 \times 8 \times 2 = 128$  numbers
- Calculating a histogram over a patch makes this representation more robust to noise
- Arrow shows the direction of gradient, and its length shows the magnitude
- Direction of arrows points to the direction of change in intensity and the magnitude shows how big the difference is



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# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

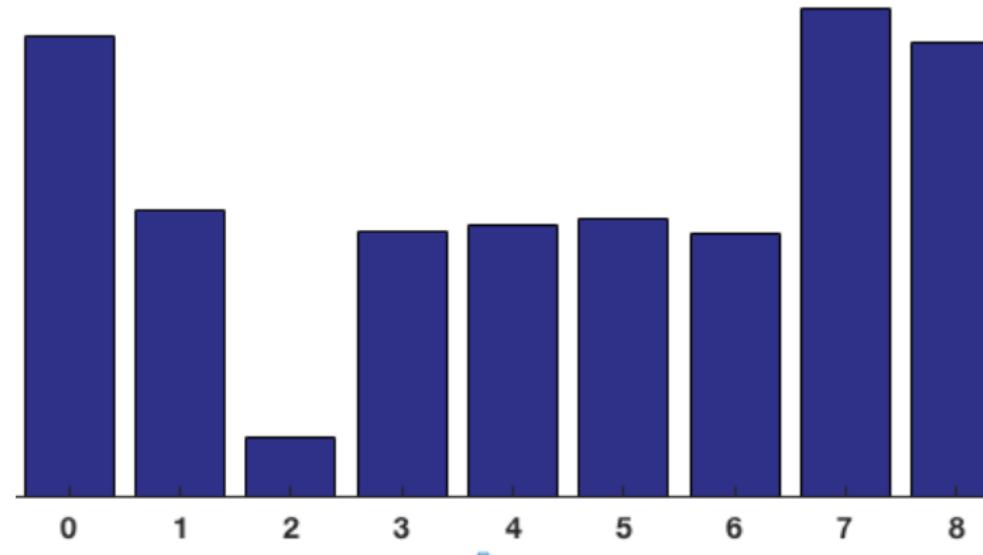
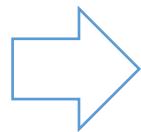
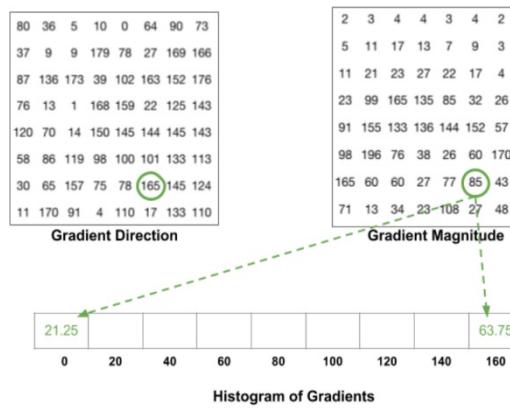
- The next step is to create a histogram of gradients in these  $8 \times 8$  cells.
- The histogram is essentially a vector (or an array) of 9 bins (numbers) corresponding to angles  $0, 20, 40, 60 \dots 160$  ( $180^\theta$ ) [unsigned gradients]
- A bin is selected based on the direction, and the vote (the value that goes into the bin) is selected based on the magnitude



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# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

- The contributions of all the pixels in the  $8 \times 8$  cells are added up to create the 9-bin histogram.



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# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

## Step 4 : 16×16 Block Normalization

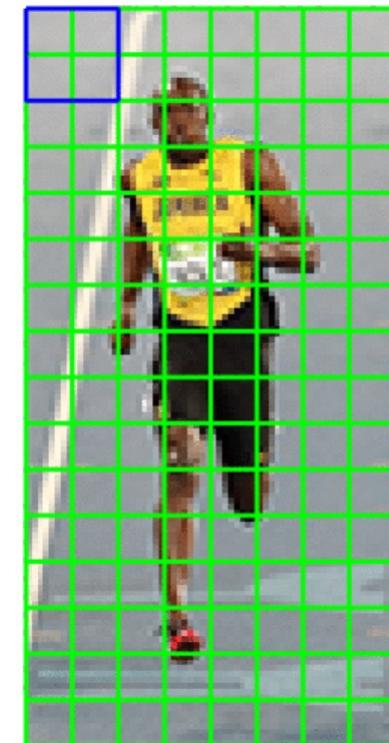
- A histogram is created based on the gradient of the image
- Gradients (magnitude) of an image are sensitive to overall lighting

$$[128, 64, 32]$$

- L2 Norm of this vector is  $\sqrt{128^2 + 64^2 + 32^2} = 146.64$
- Divide each element of this vector by 146.64: a normalized vector  $[0.87, 0.43, 0.22]$ 
$$2 \times [128, 64, 32] = [256, 128, 64]$$
- normalizing  $[256, 128, 64]$  will result in  $[0.87, 0.43, 0.22]$ , which is the same as the normalized version of the original

# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

- A  $16 \times 16$  block has 4 histograms which can be concatenated to form a  $36 \times 1$  element vector
- It can be normalized the way a  $3 \times 1$  vector is normalized.
- The window is then moved by 8 pixels and a normalized  $36 \times 1$  vector is calculated over this window and the process is repeated.



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# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

- This normalization is done to reduce the effect of changes in contrast between images of the same object



Source: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=28xk5i1\\_7Zc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=28xk5i1_7Zc)

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# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

Step 5 : Calculate the Histogram of Oriented Gradients feature vector

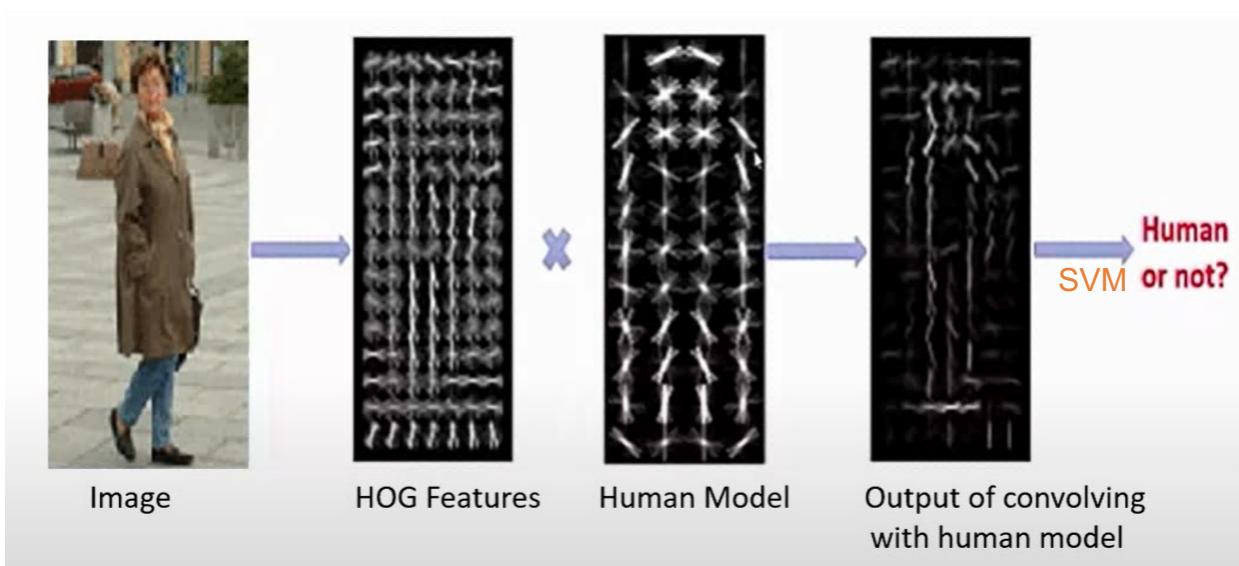
- To calculate the final feature vector for the entire image patch, the  $36 \times 1$  vectors are concatenated into one vector



- There are 7 horizontal and 15 vertical positions making a total of  $7 \times 15 = 105$  positions
- Each  $16 \times 16$  block is represented by a  $36 \times 1$  vector.
- So when we concatenate them all into one vector
- We obtain a  $36 \times 105 = 3780$ -dimensional vector

# Histogram of Oriented Gradients

- Pedestrian detection using HOG



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