

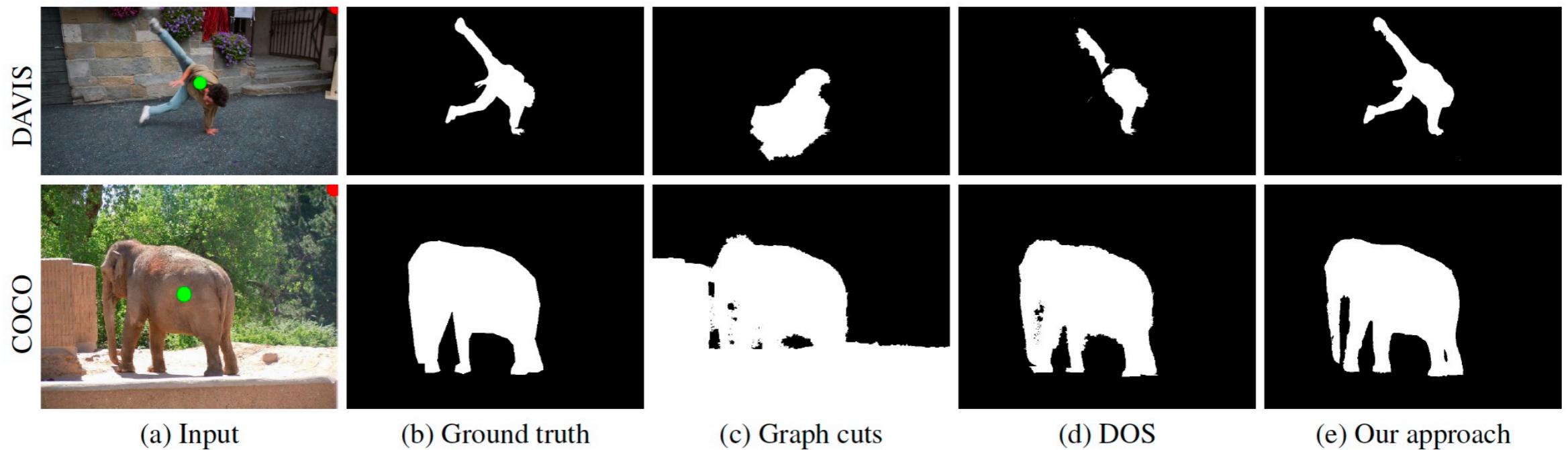
Digital Image Processing

- Image Segmentation : ‘Point’, ‘Line’, ‘Edge’ Detection -

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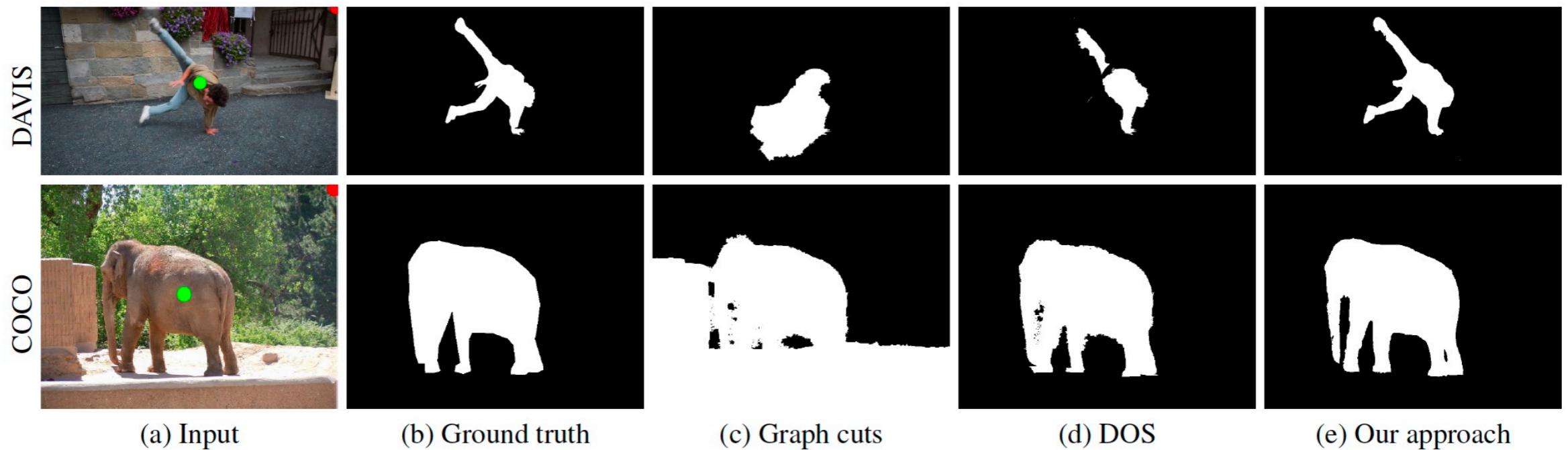
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-> Basic Categories dealing with properties of intensity values

* Discontinuity : Partitioning the image into regions by detecting boundary based on **local discontinuities in intensity**

Edge-base Segmentation

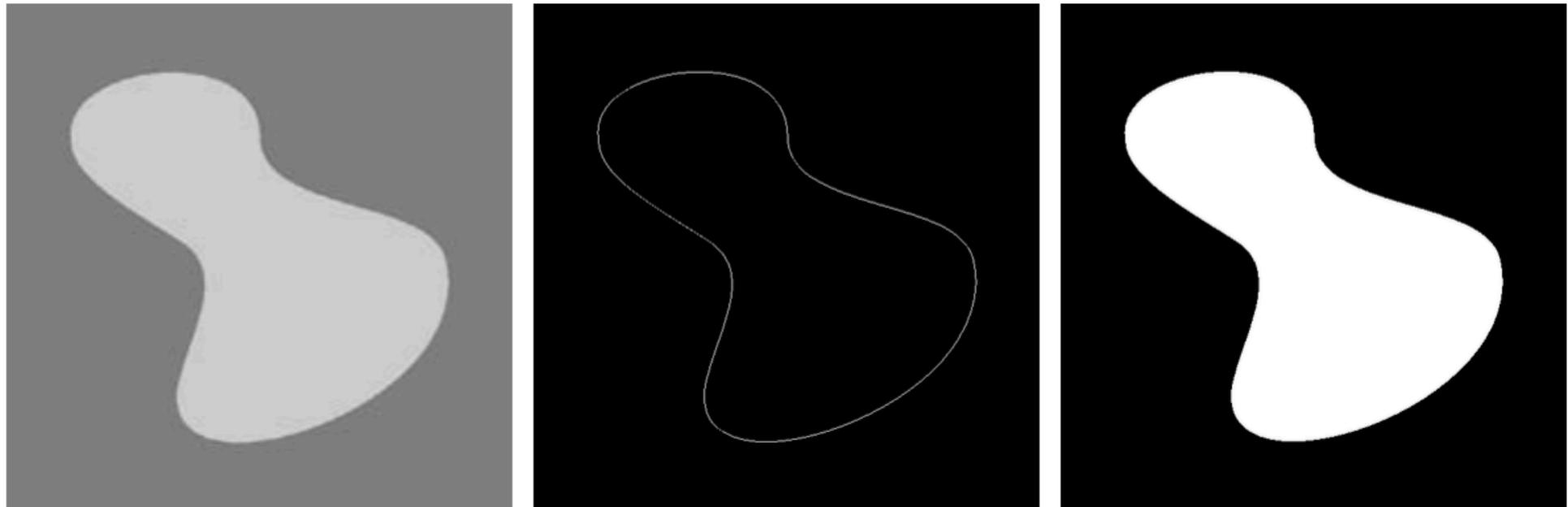
* Similarity : Partitioning the image into regions that are similar according to **a set of predefined criteria**

Region-base Segmentation

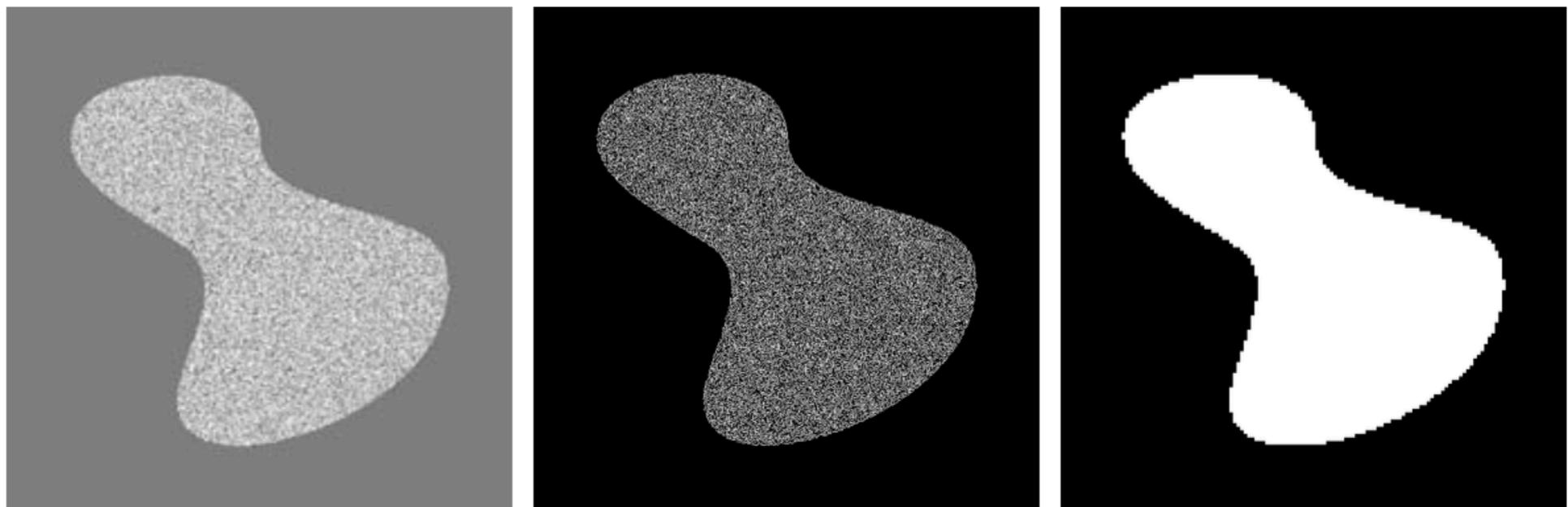
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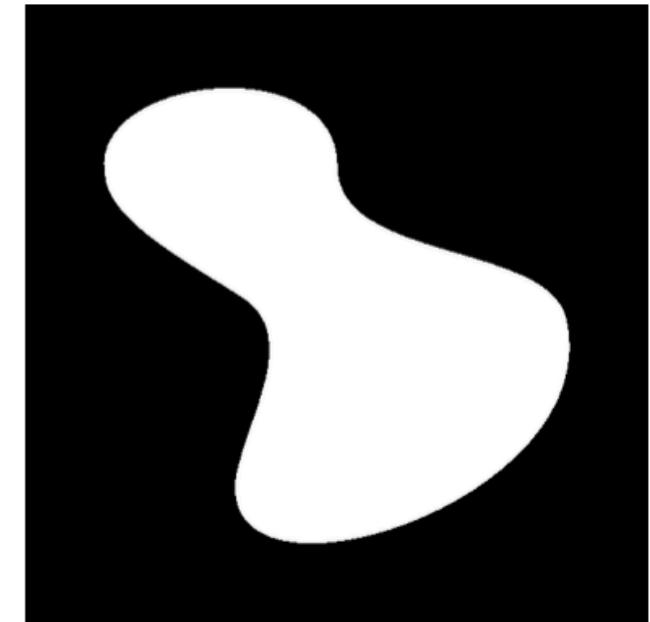
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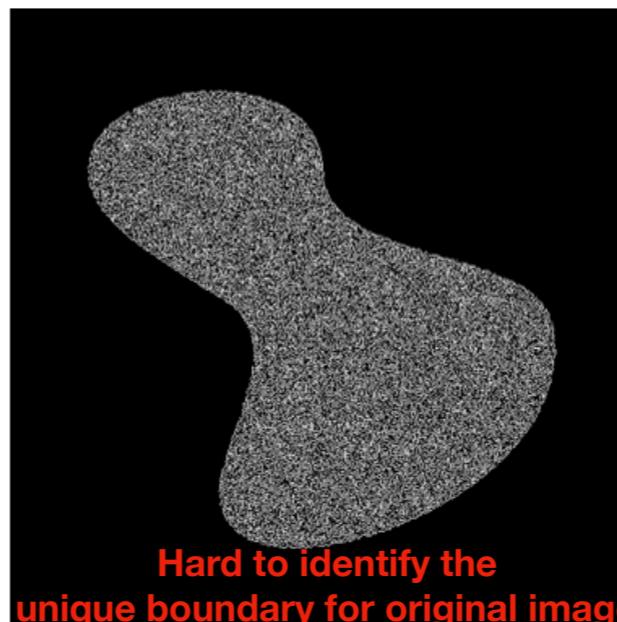
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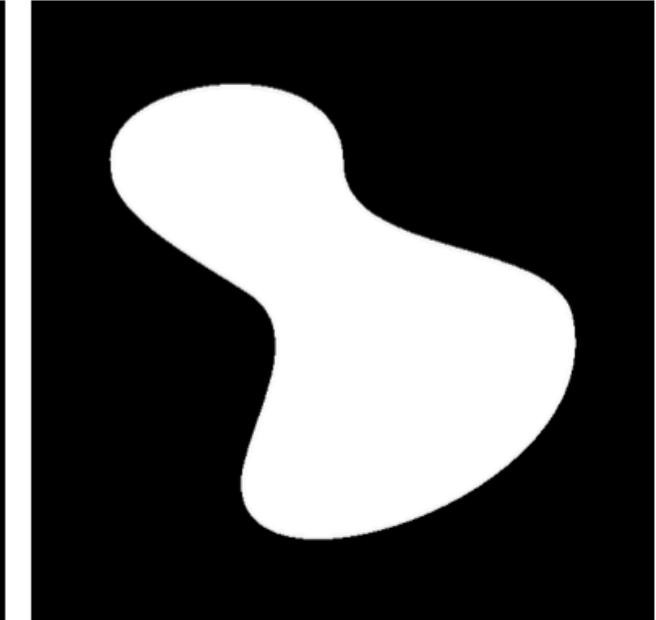
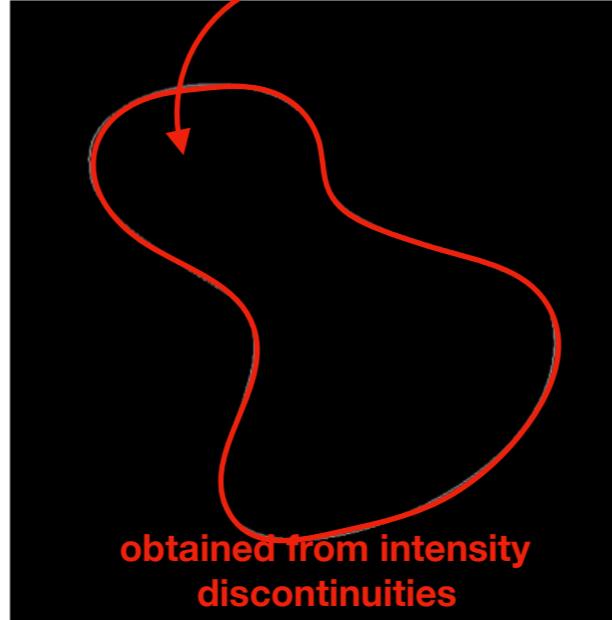
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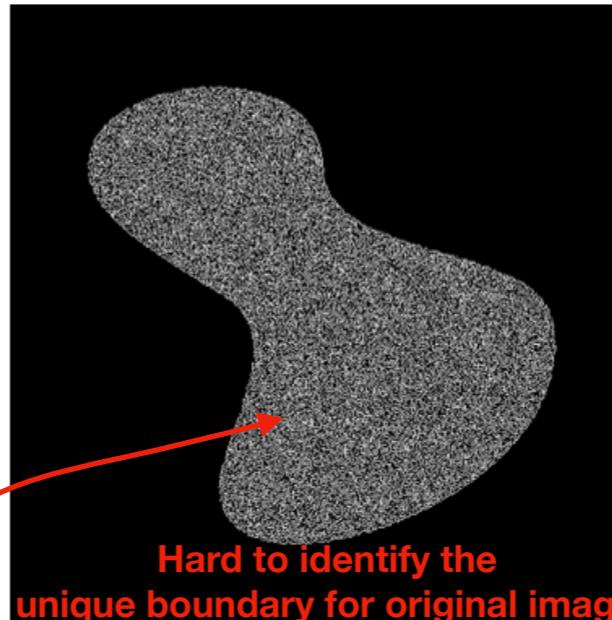
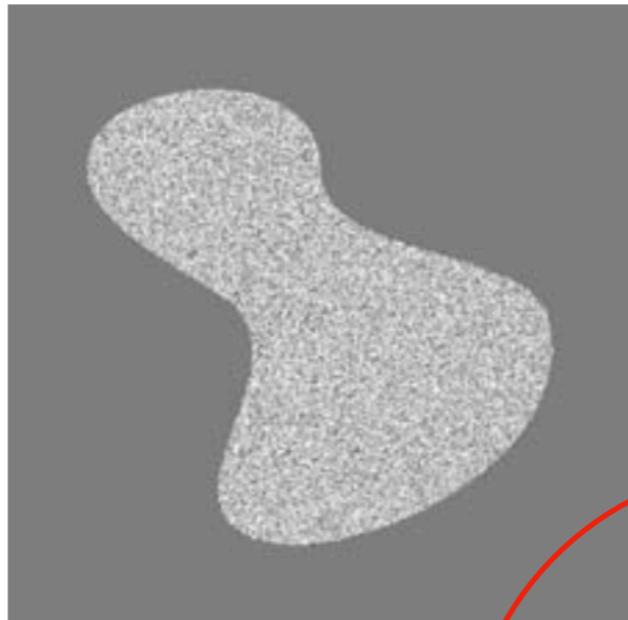
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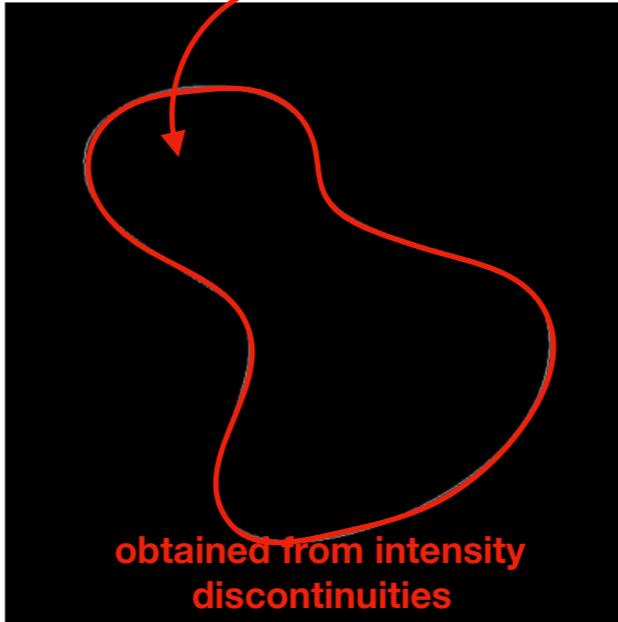
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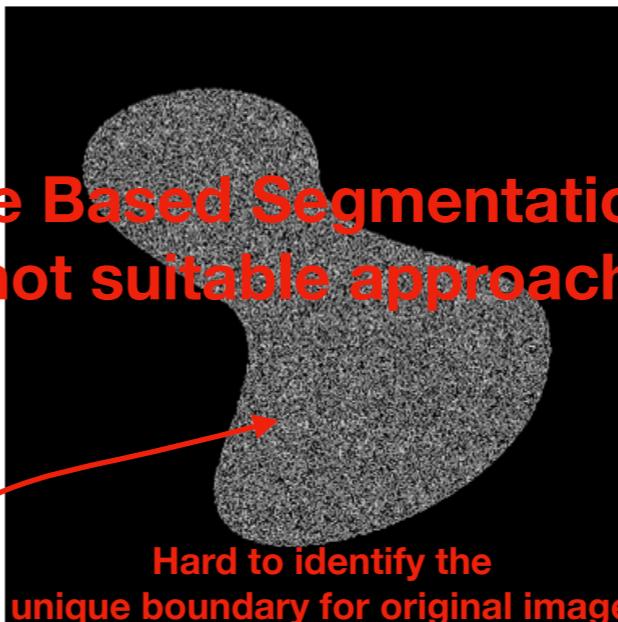
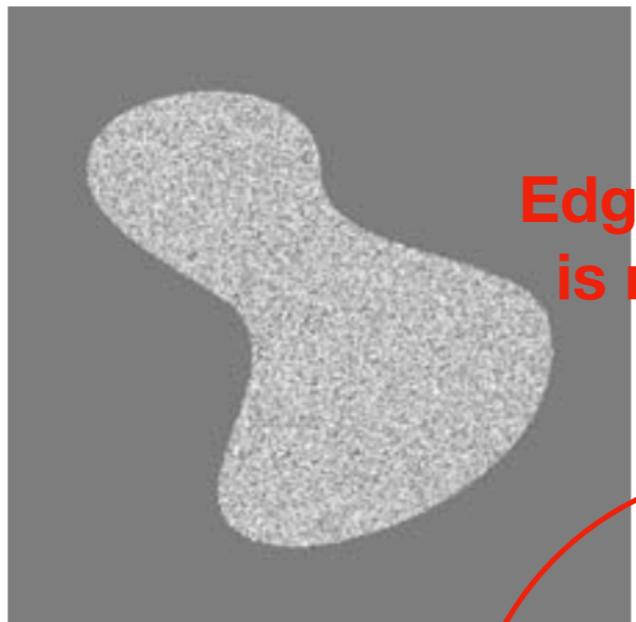
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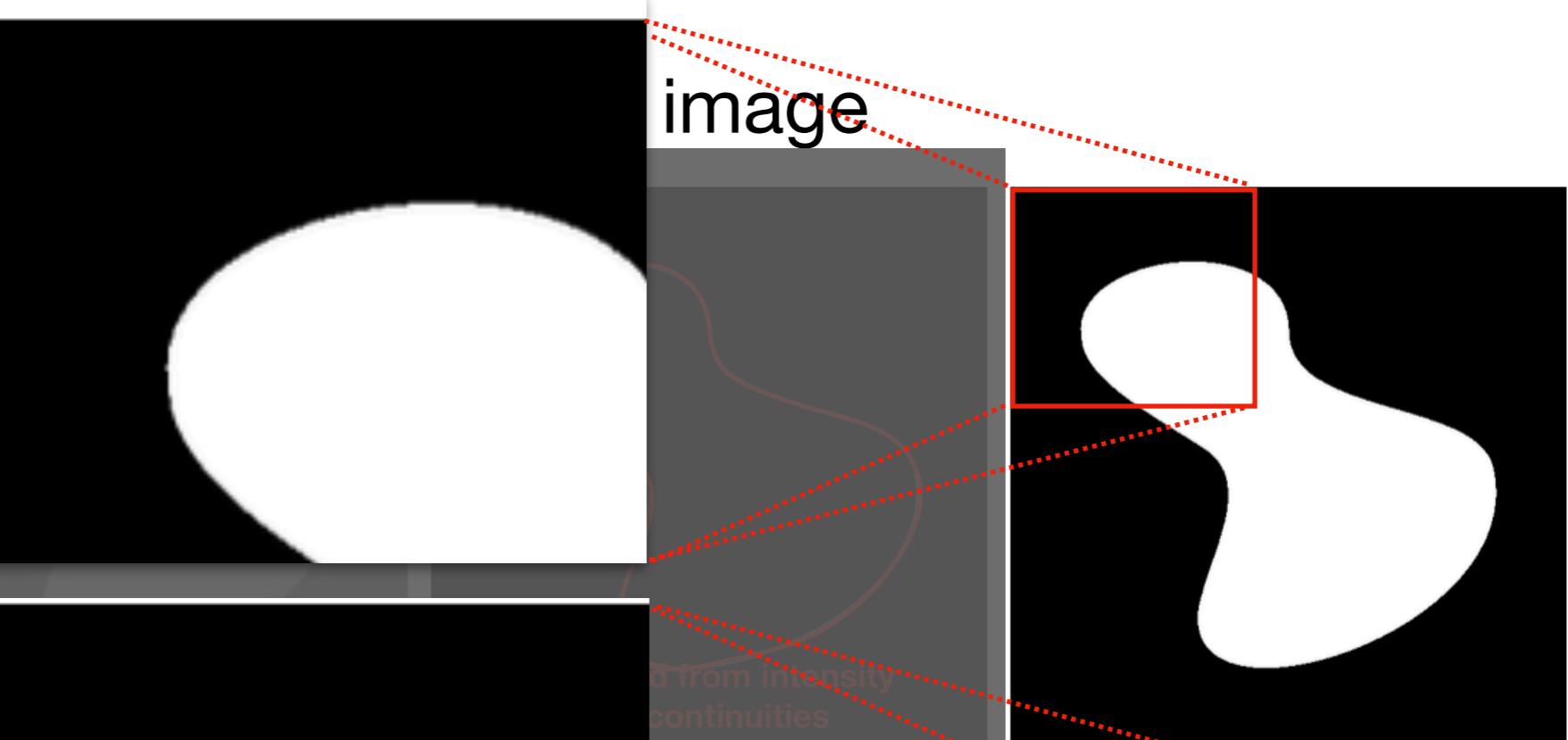
Many nonzero intensity changes connected to the boundary

Zero intensity changes
segmentation based on region properties

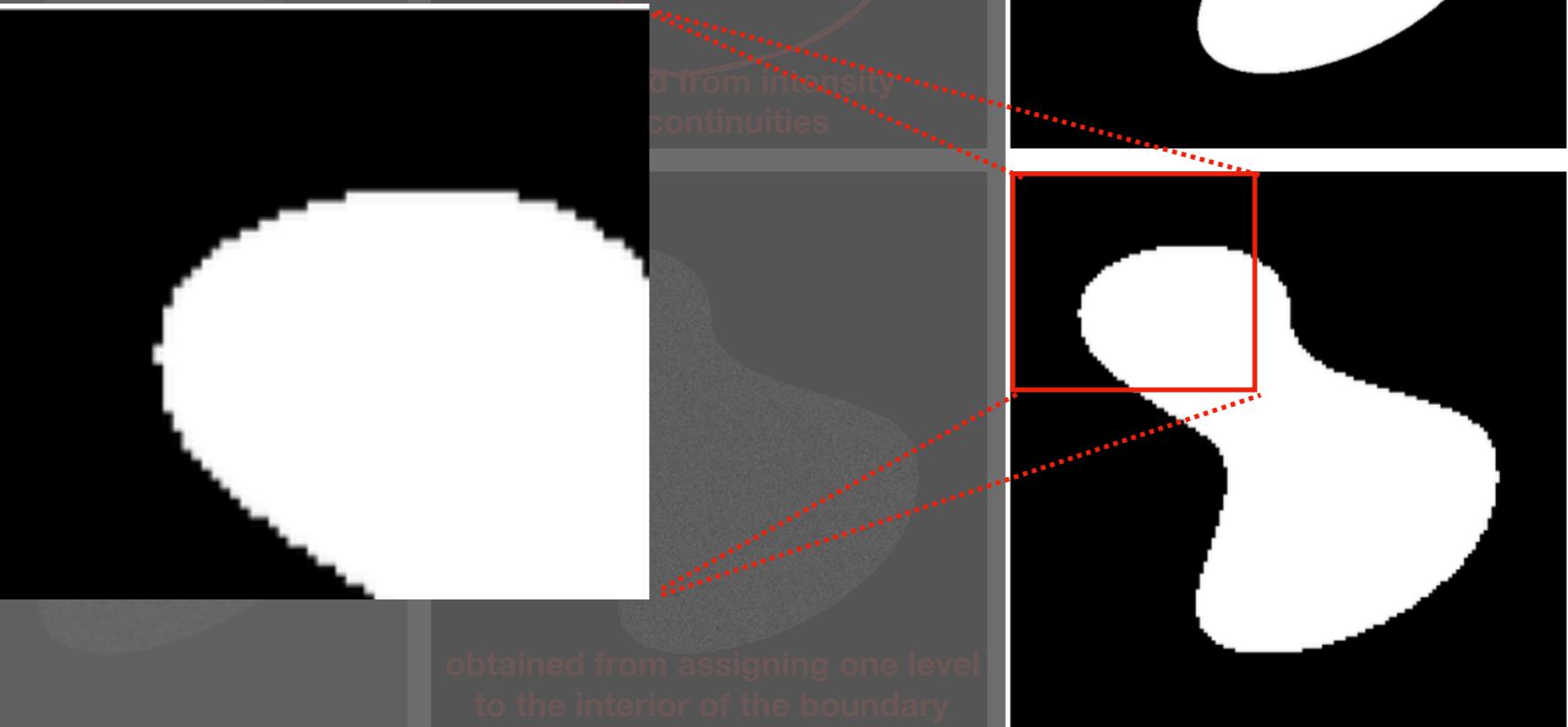
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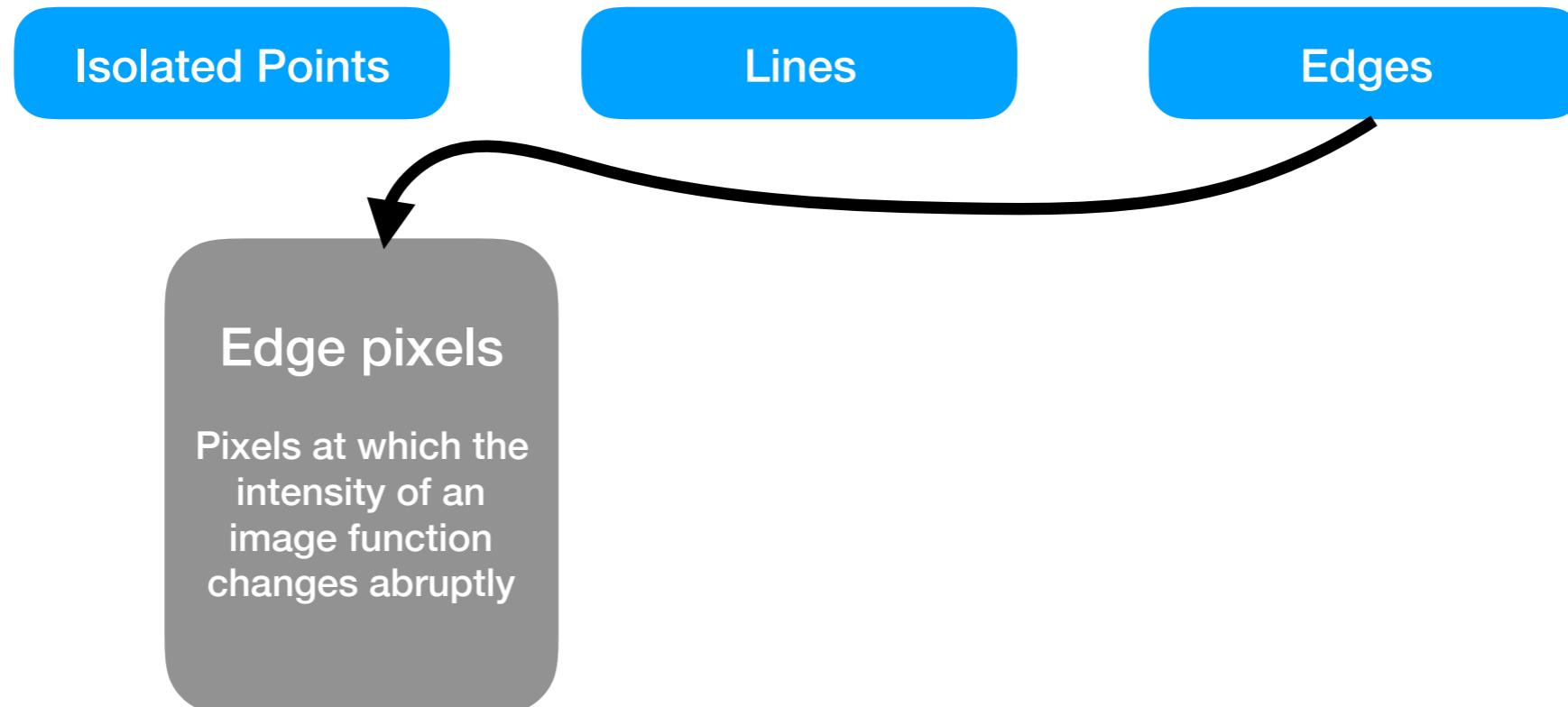
Isolated Points

Lines

Edges

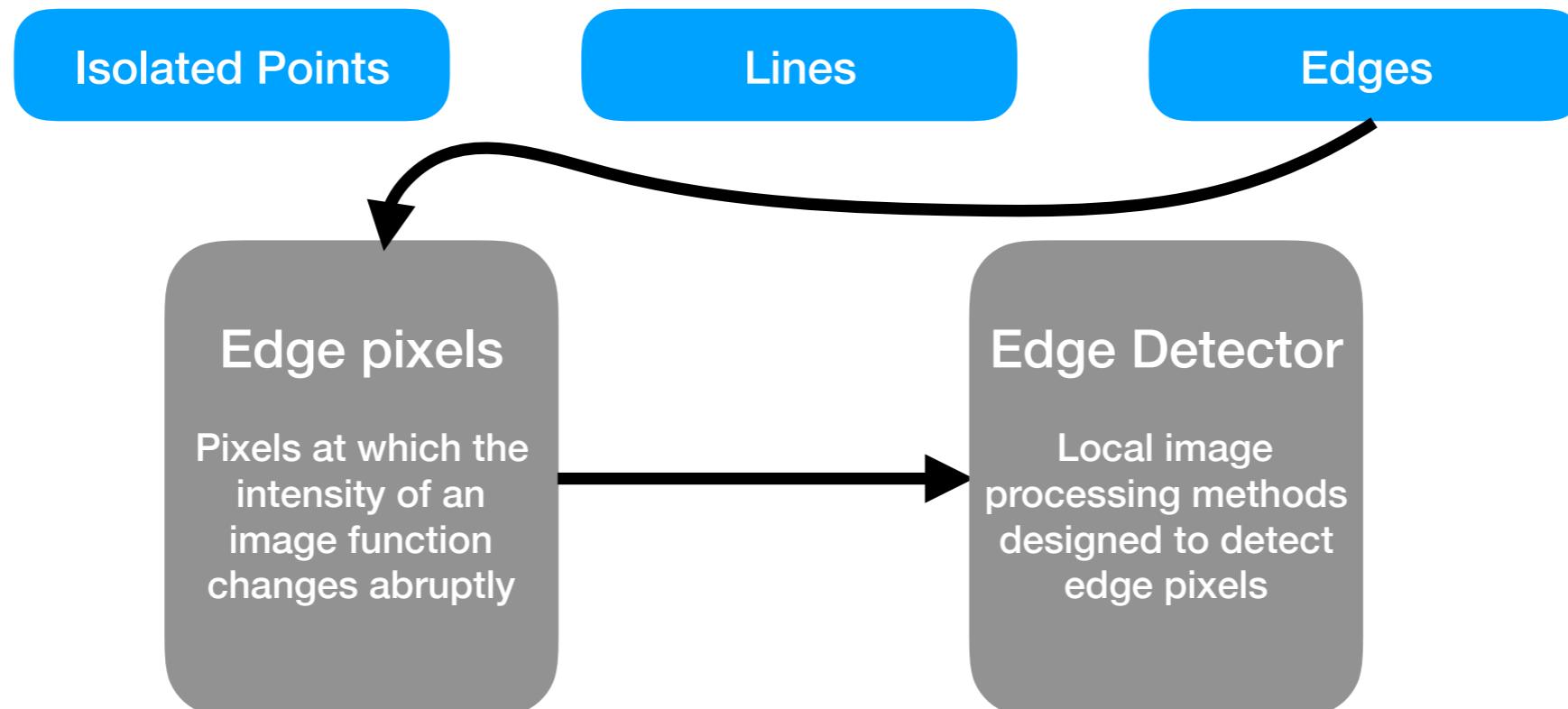
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Partial derivative : consider an image function

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = f'(x) = f(x+I) - f(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} &= \frac{\partial f'(x)}{\partial x} = f'(x+I) - f'(x) \\ &= f(x+2) - f(x+I) - f(x+I) + f(x) \\ &= f(x+2) - 2f(x+I) + f(x)\end{aligned}$$

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Expansion in to $x+1$

subtract 1 from the arguments

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- Several Types of Edges

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Intensity transitions between solid objects and background

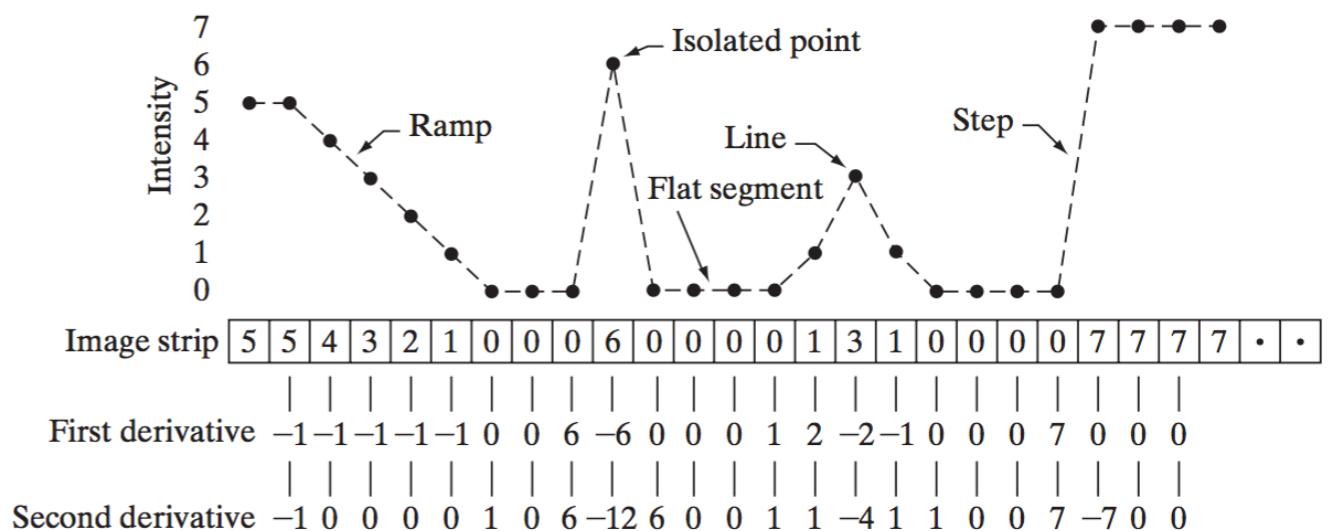
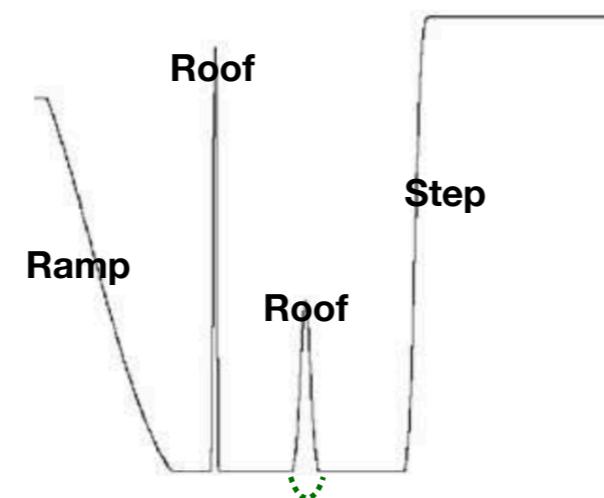
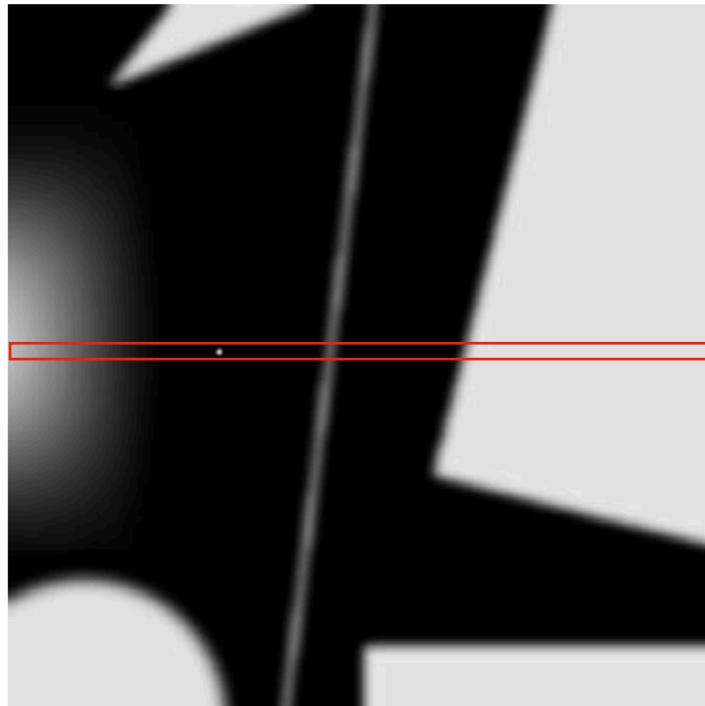
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Intensity transitions involving thin objects

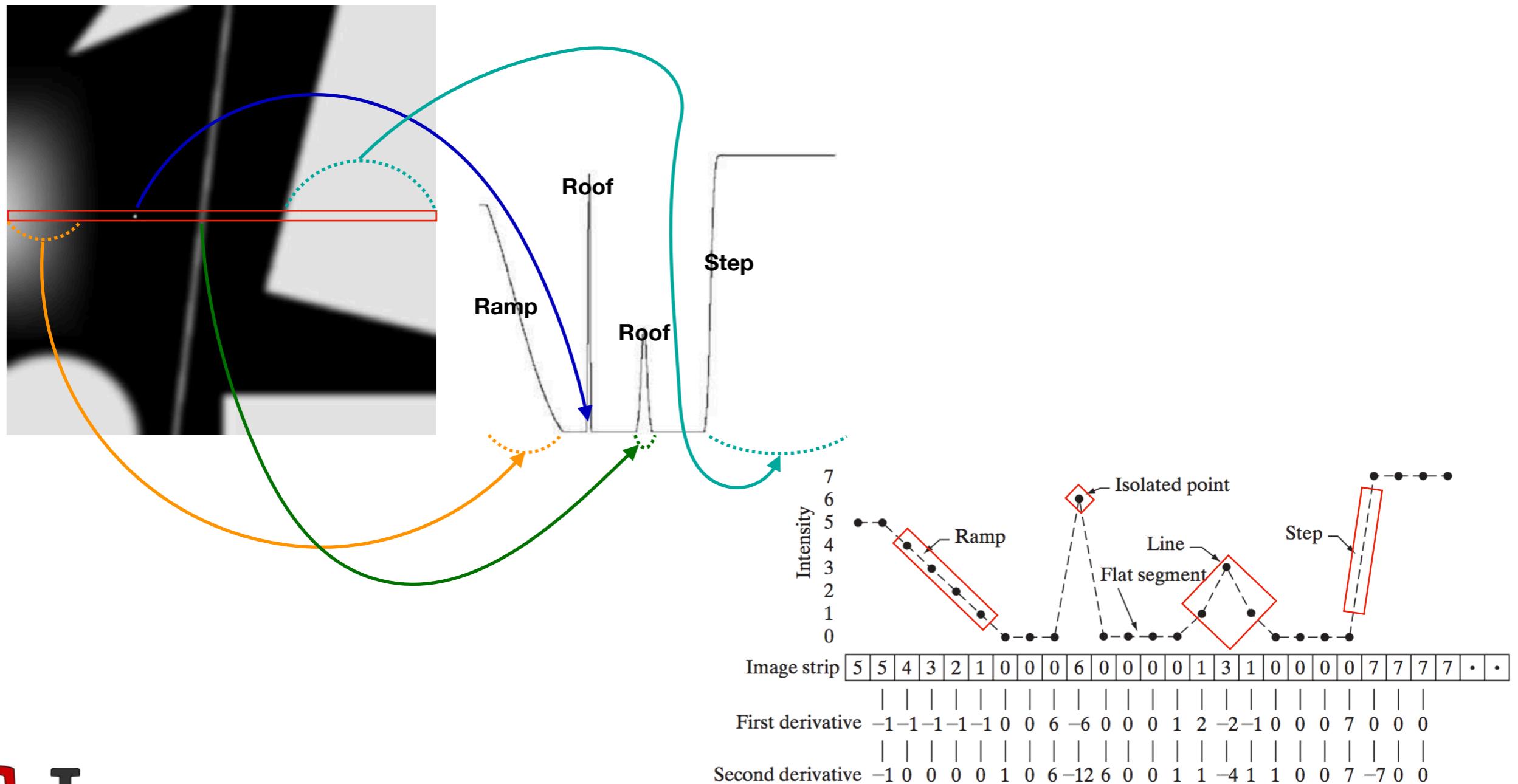
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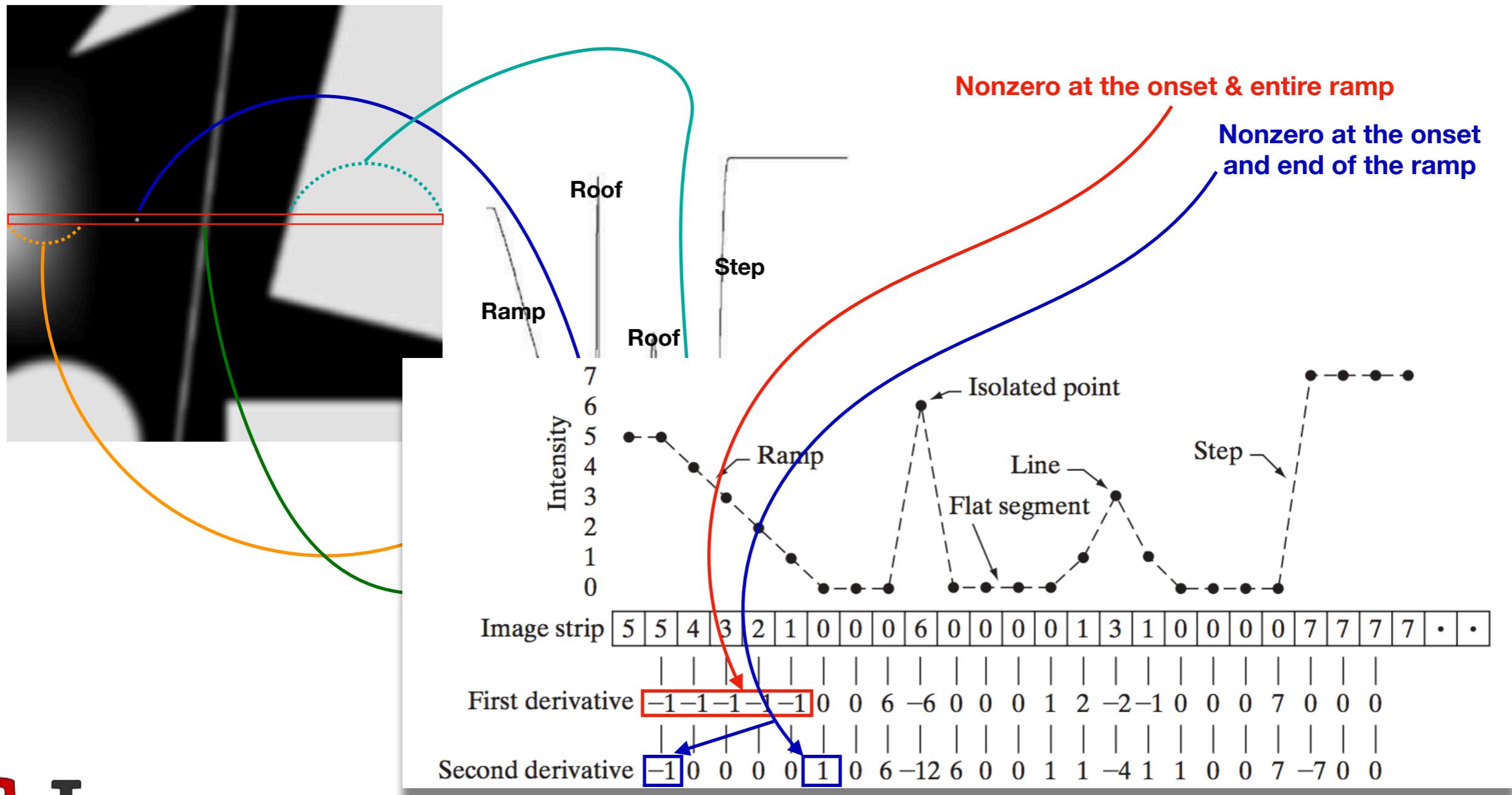
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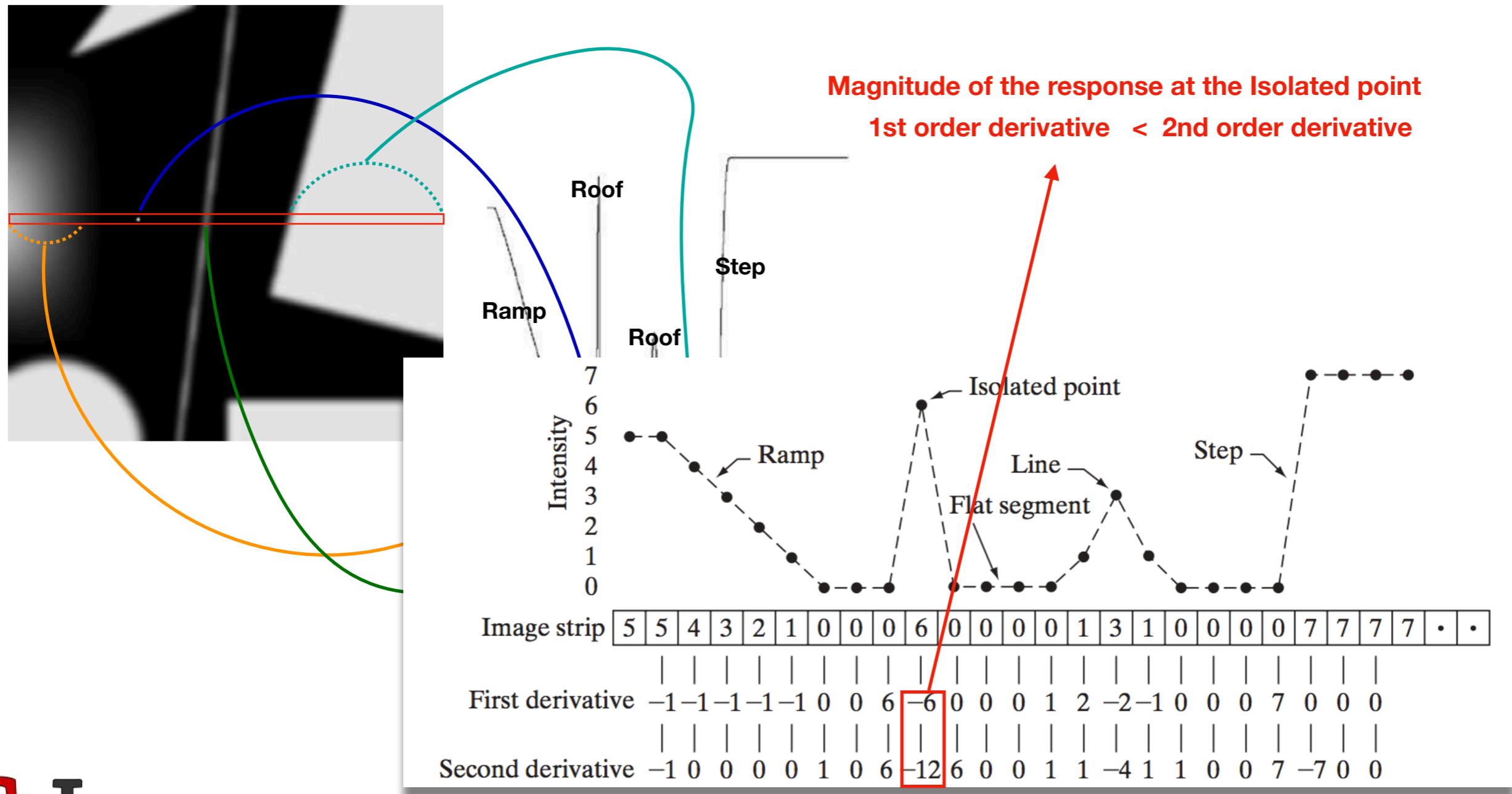
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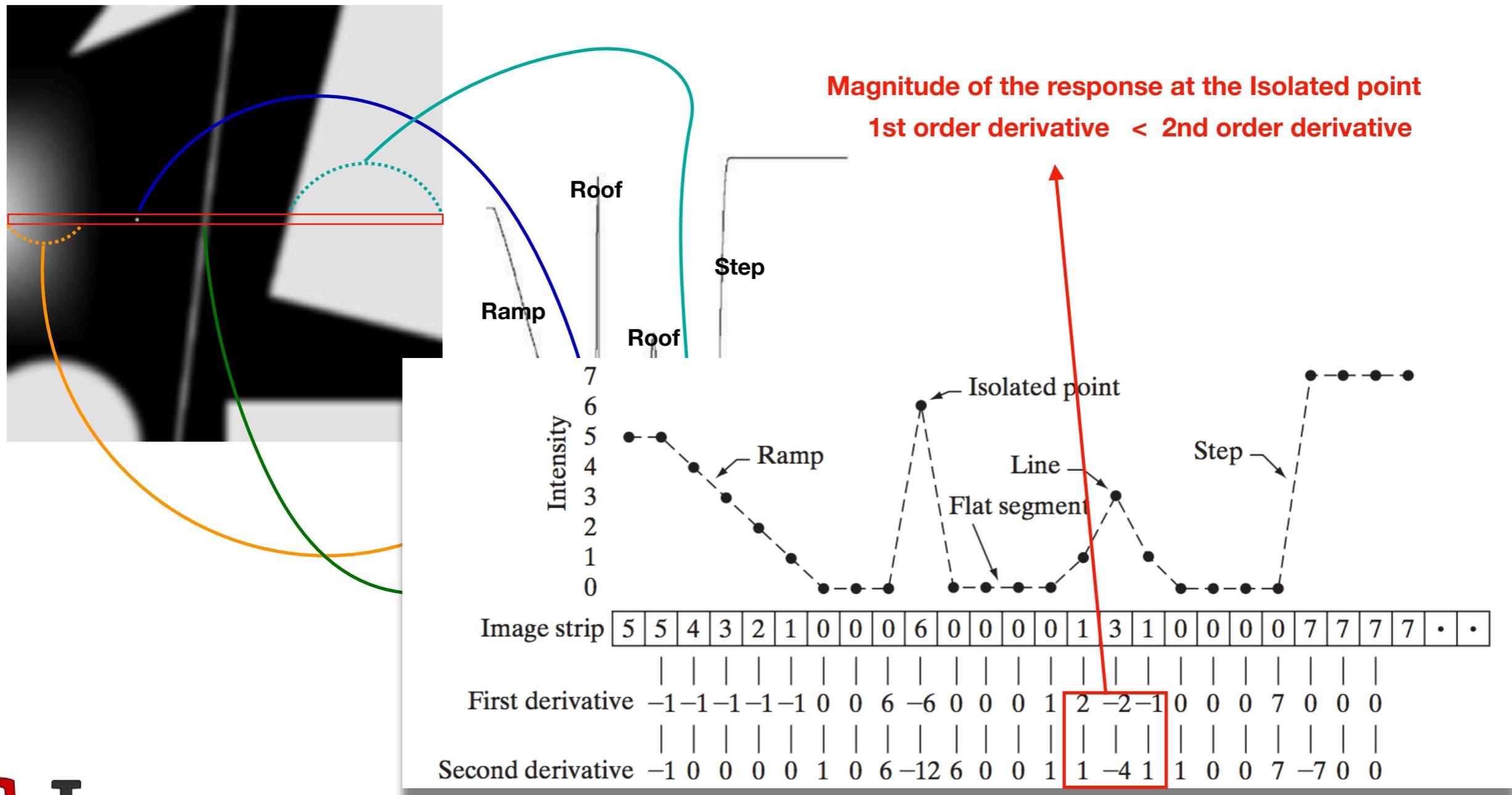
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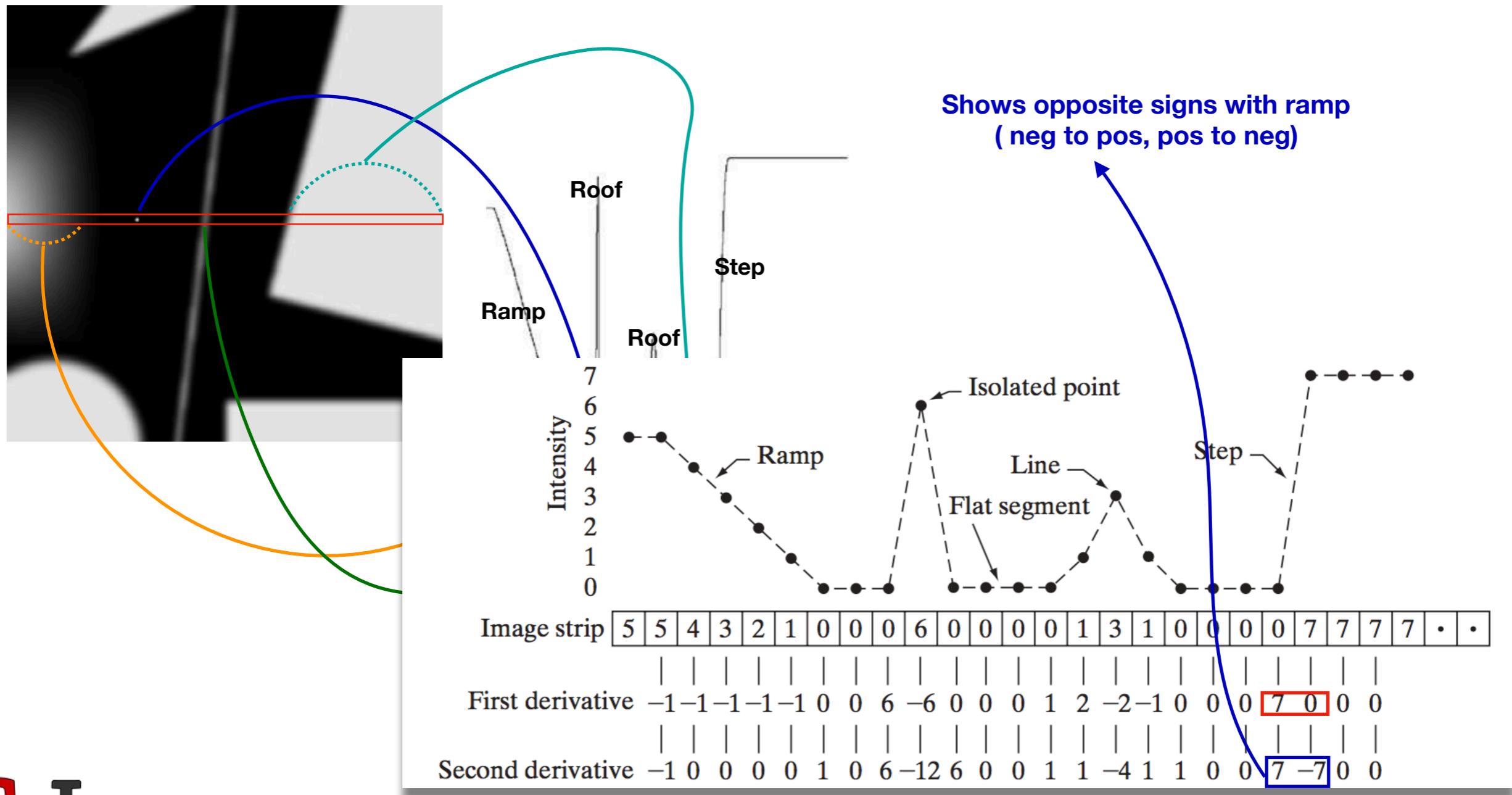
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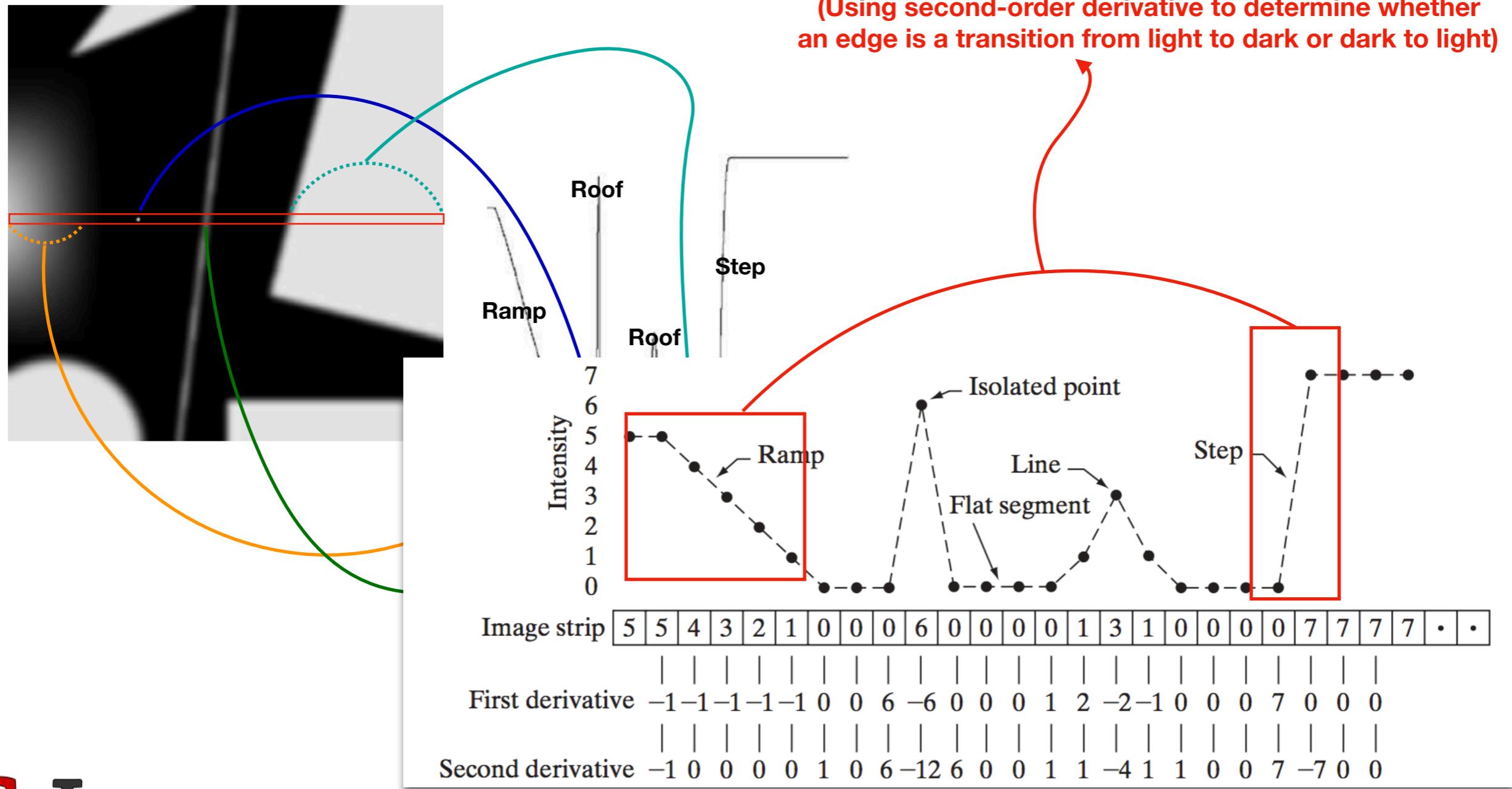
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- > First order derivative generally produce thicker edges in an image
- > Second order derivative have a stronger response to fine detail
(Lines, Isolated points, Noise, ...)
- > Second order derivative produce double-edge response ramp and step transition in intensity
- > Sign of the second derivative can be used to determine whether transition into edge from light to dark or dark to light

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-> Use Spatial Filters

- => Laplacian based Isotropic filter
- => Gradient based Robert-cross gradient operator
- => Gradient based Sobel operator

-> GO TO Chap 3!

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Treshold value

Response given by spatial filtering

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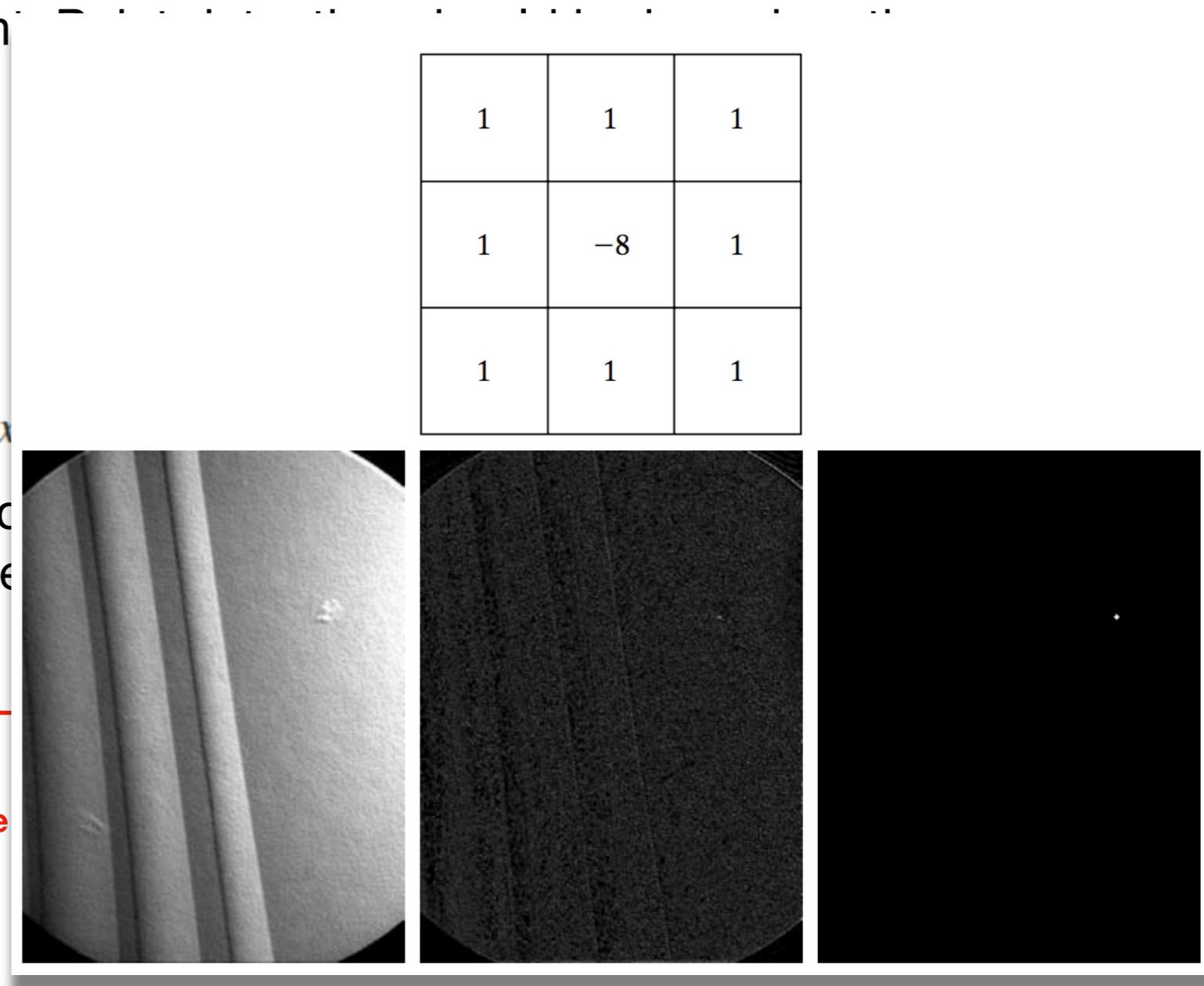
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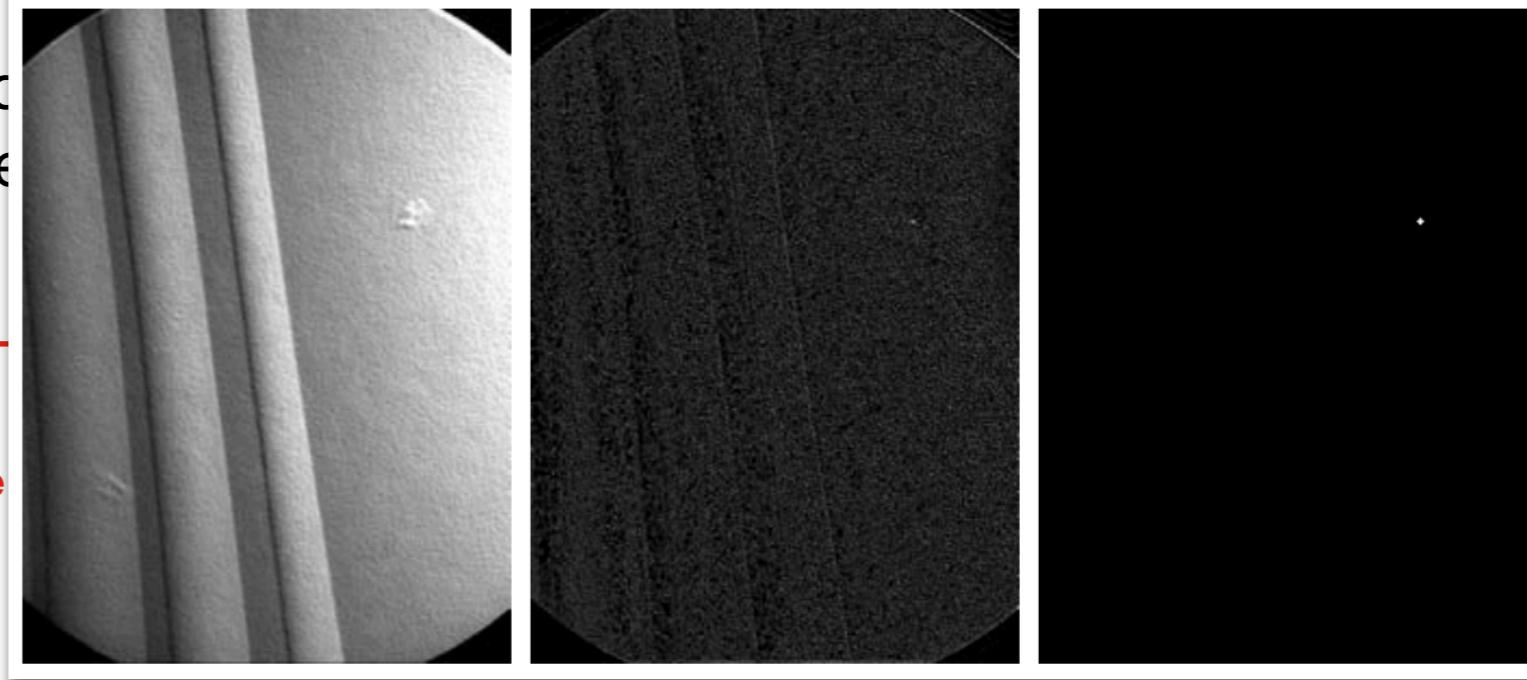
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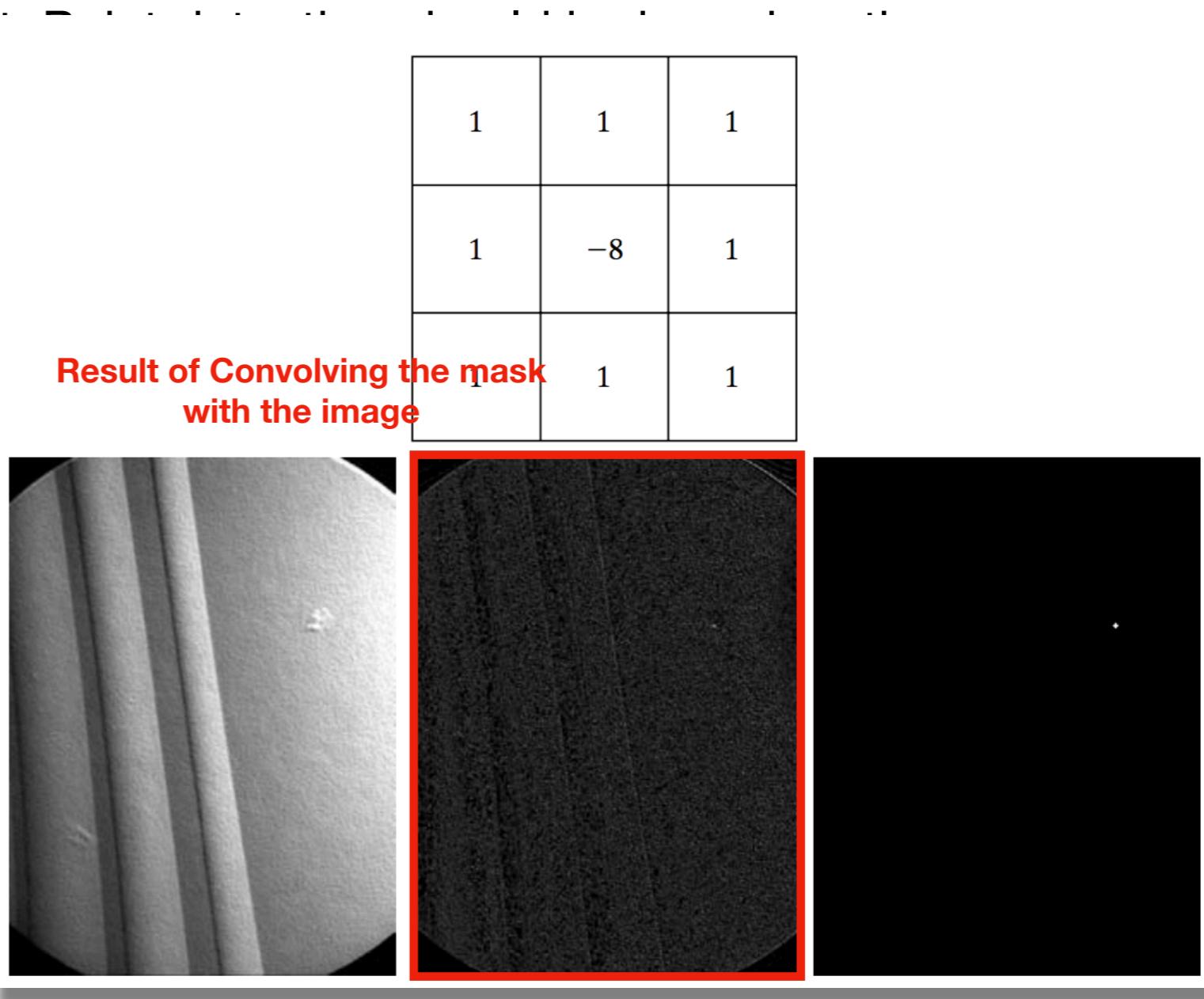
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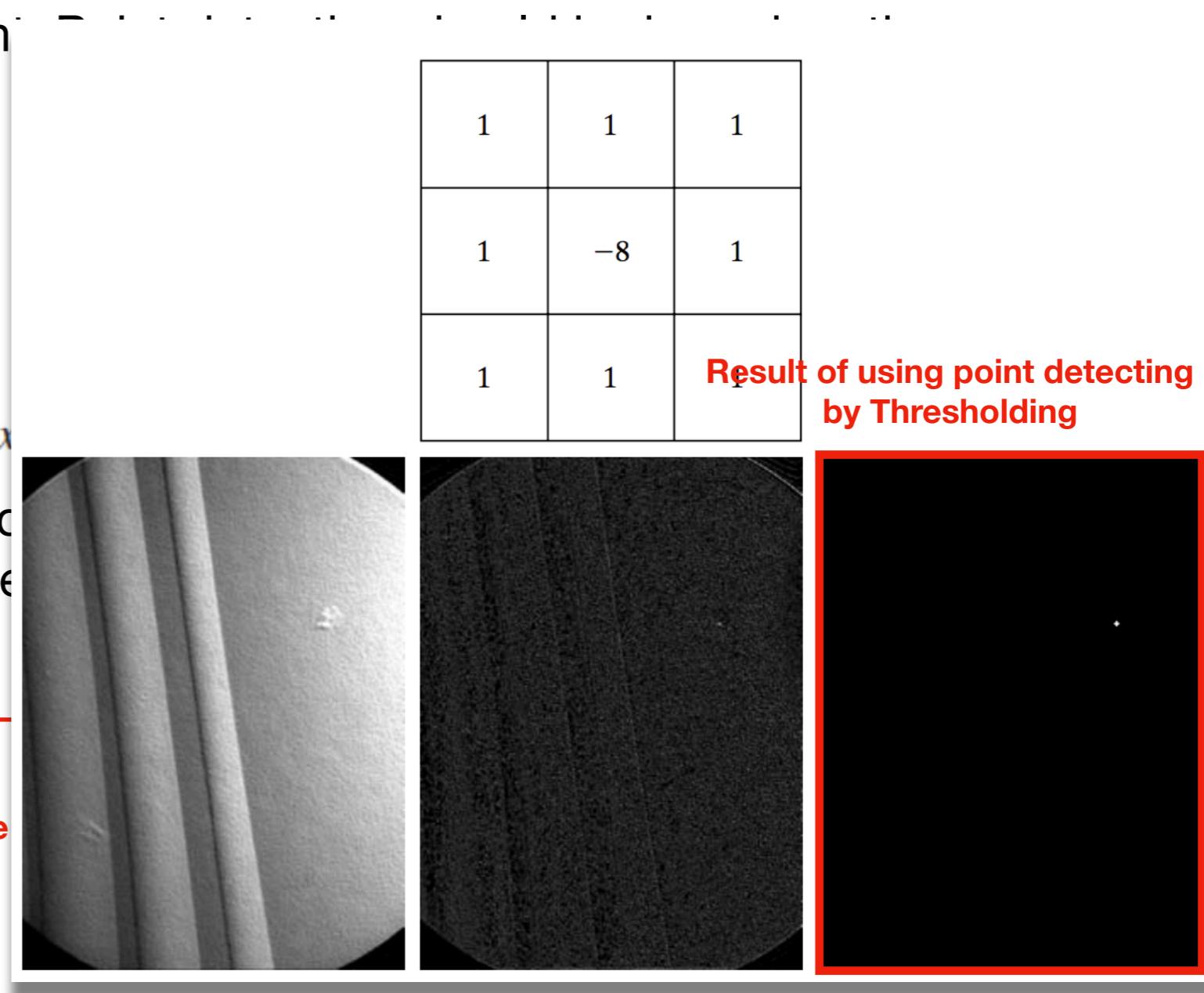
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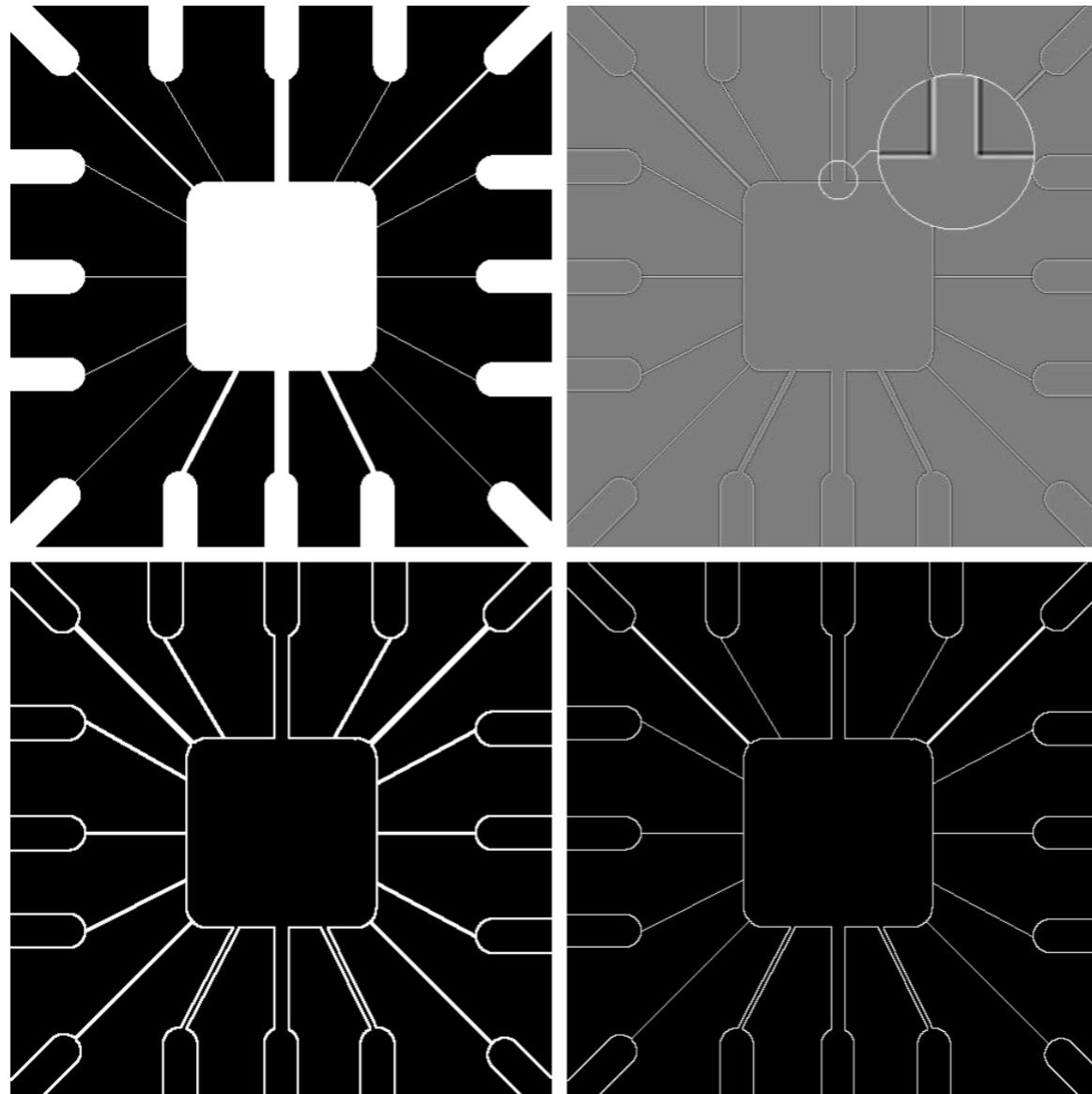
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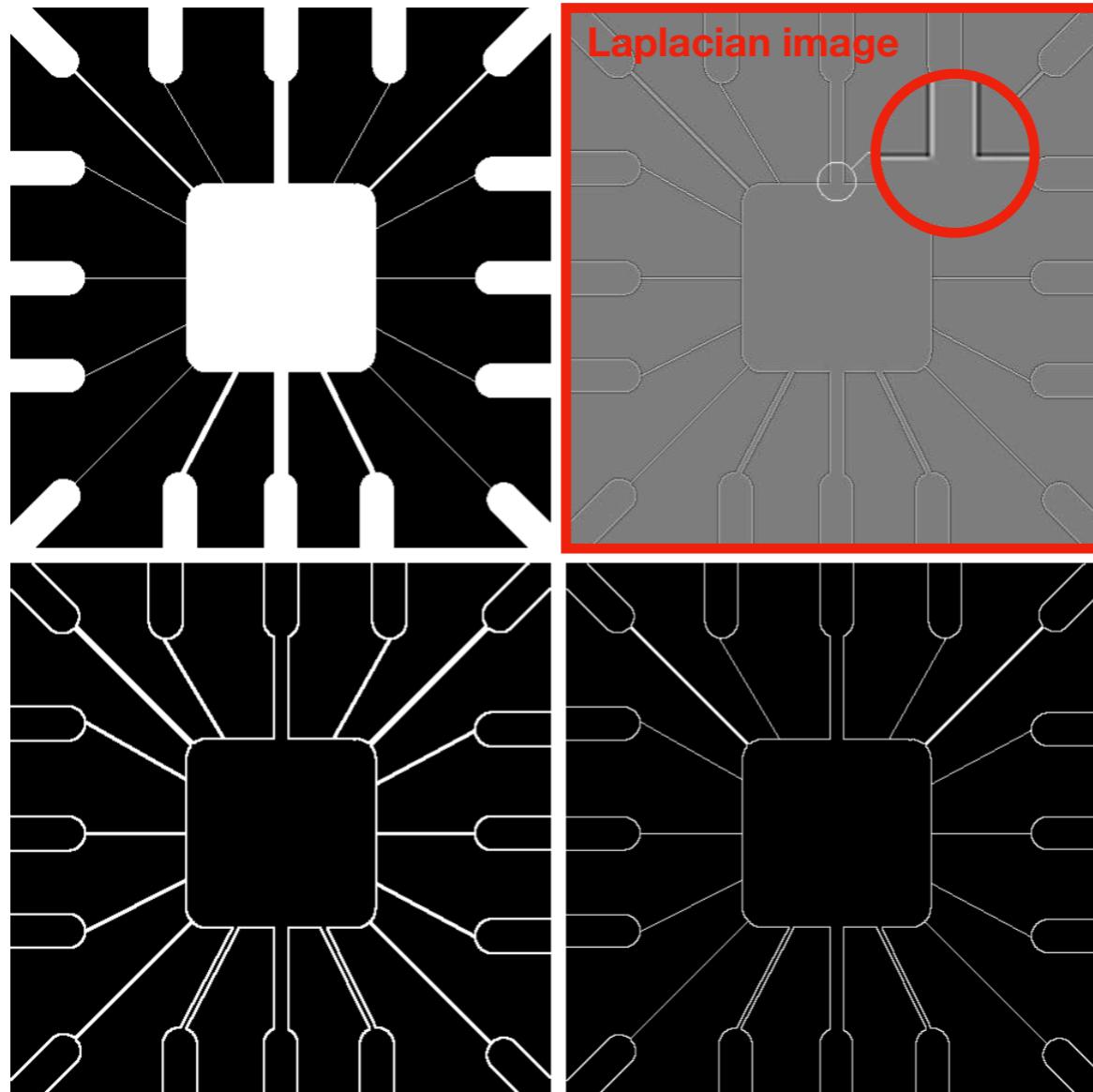
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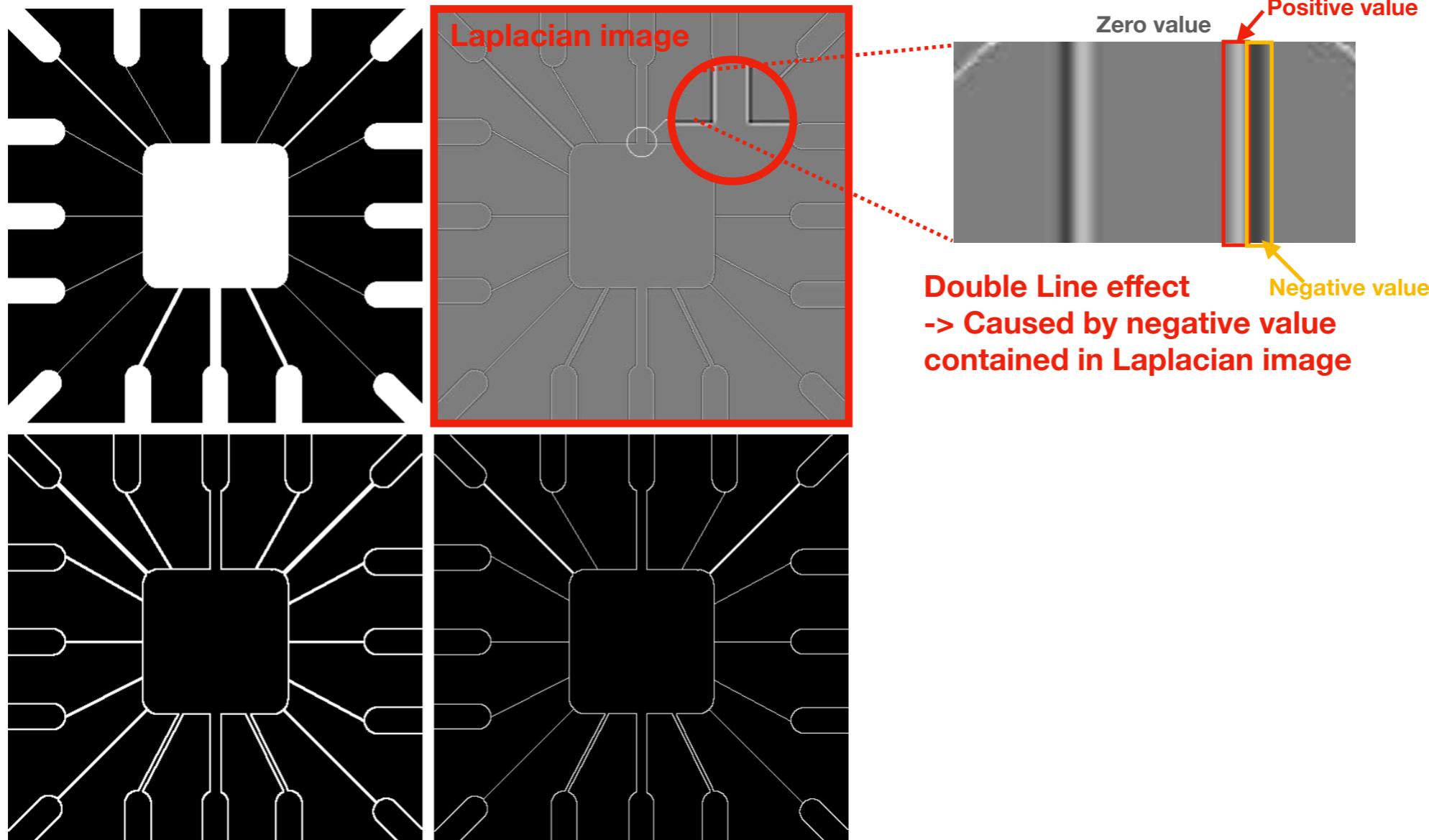
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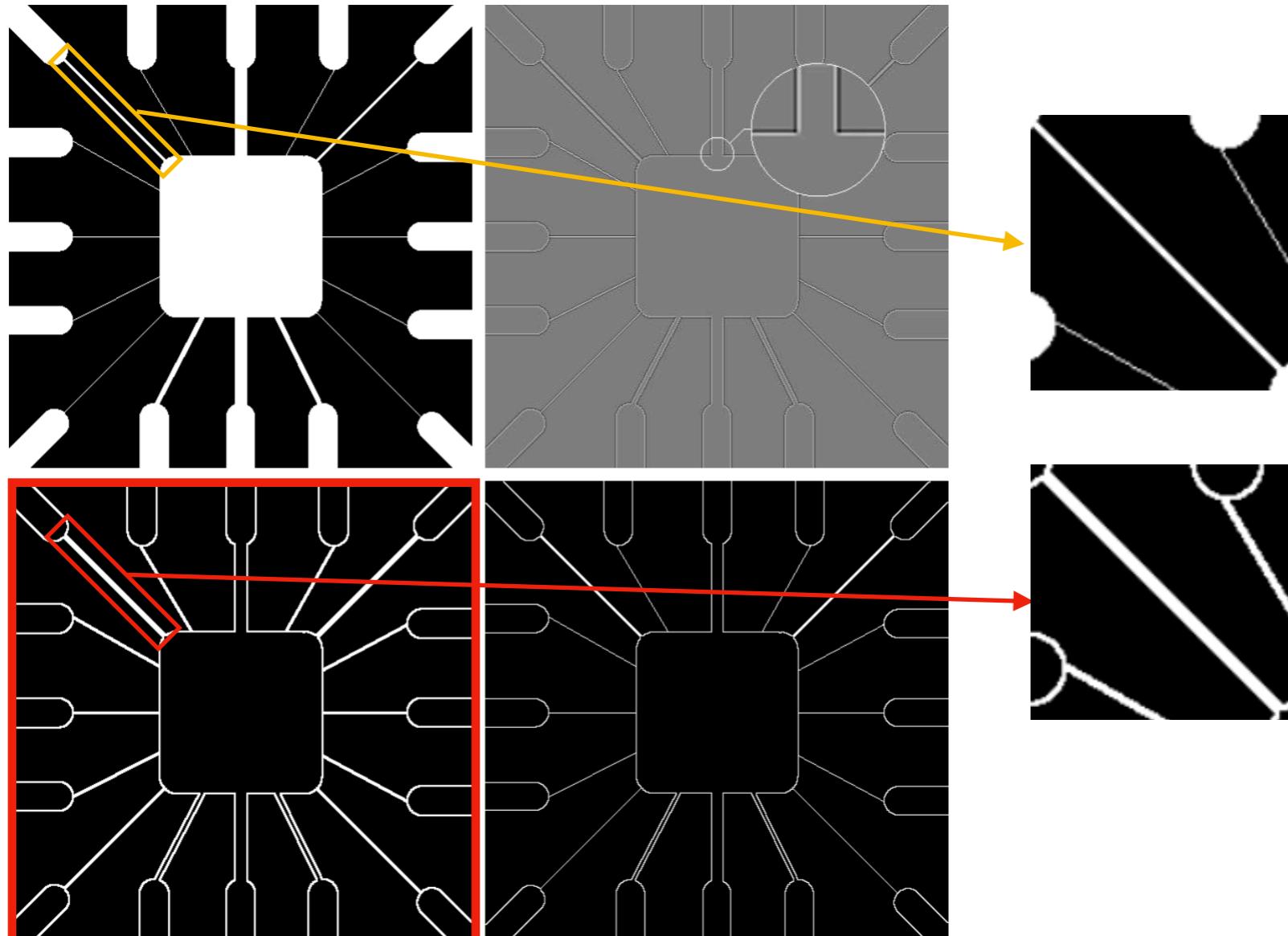
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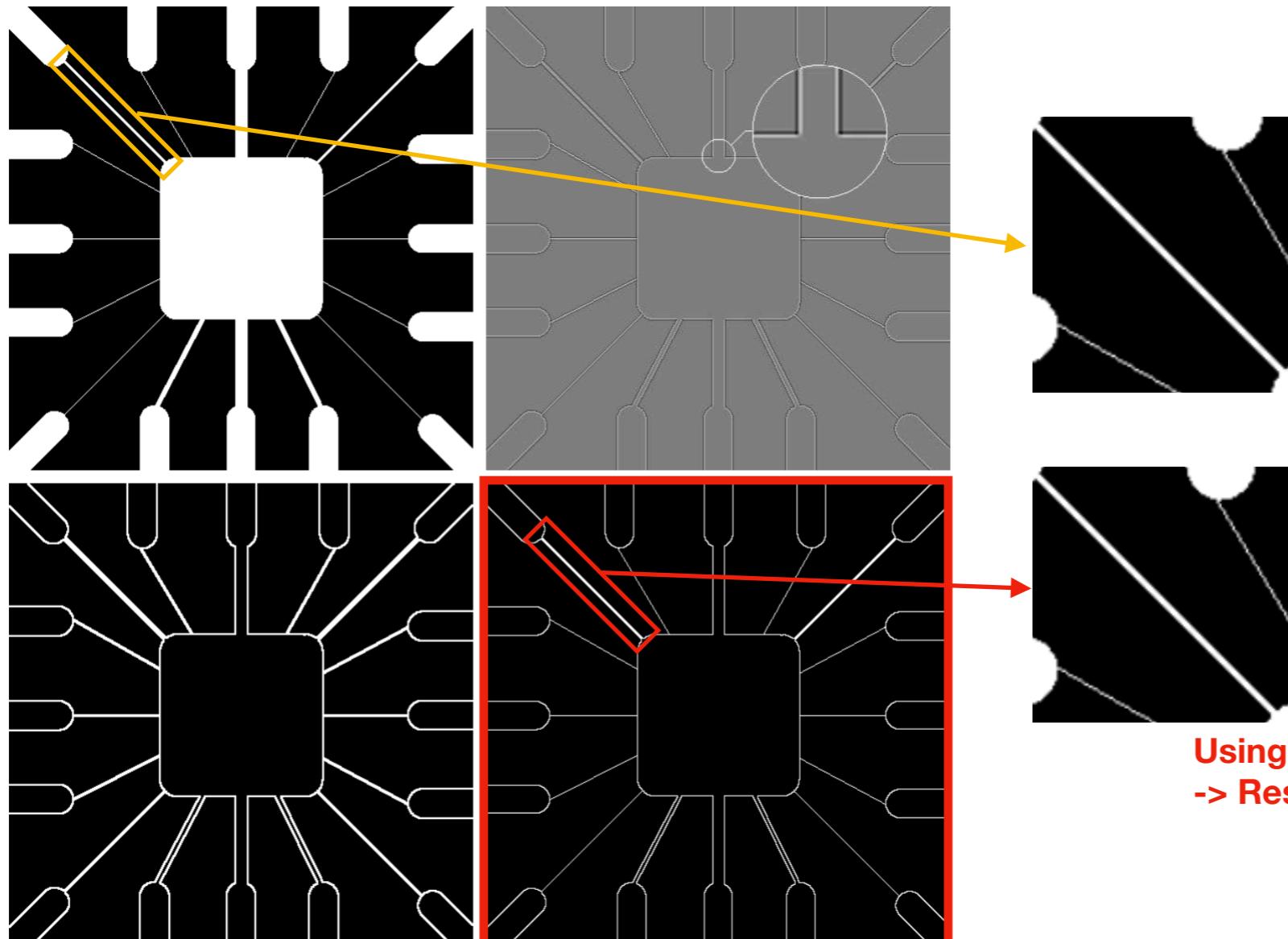


Absolute Value of Laplacian
-> Double Thickness Problem

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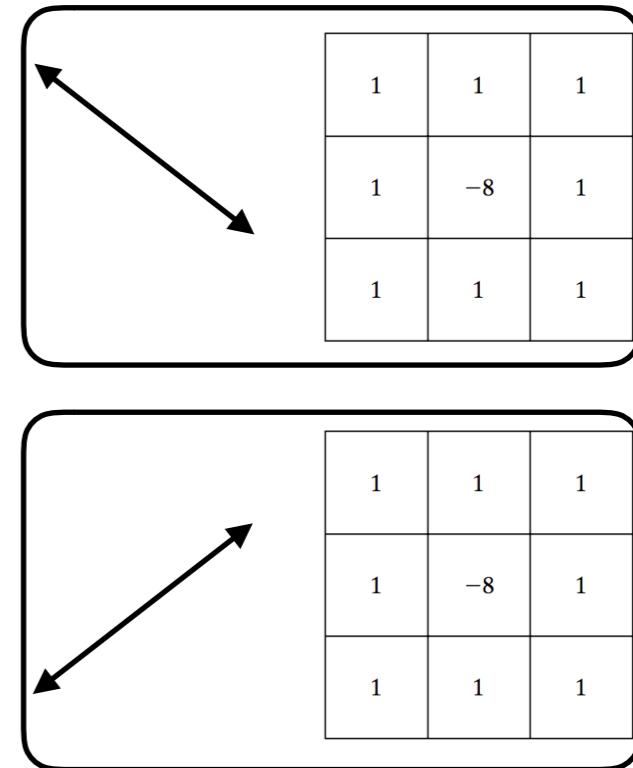
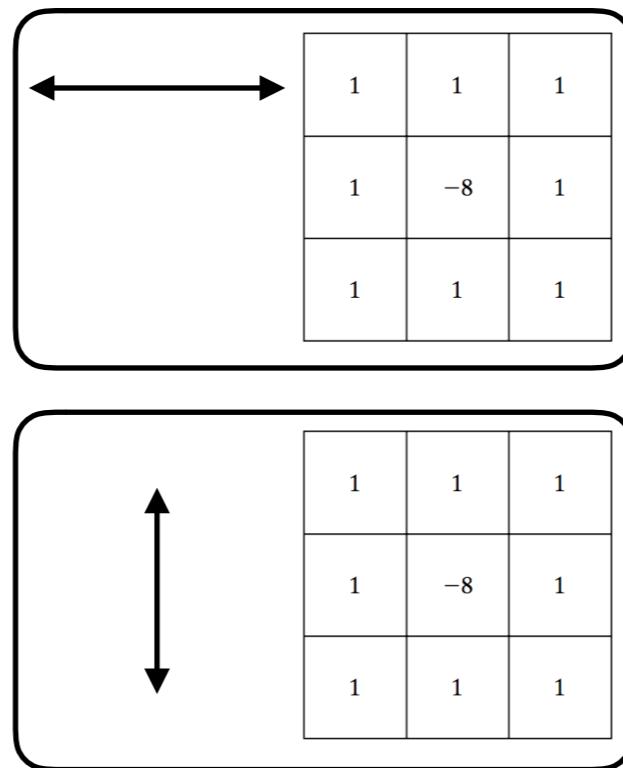


**Using only the Positive Values of Laplacian
-> Results in thinner lines**

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1	1	1
1	-8	1
1	1	1

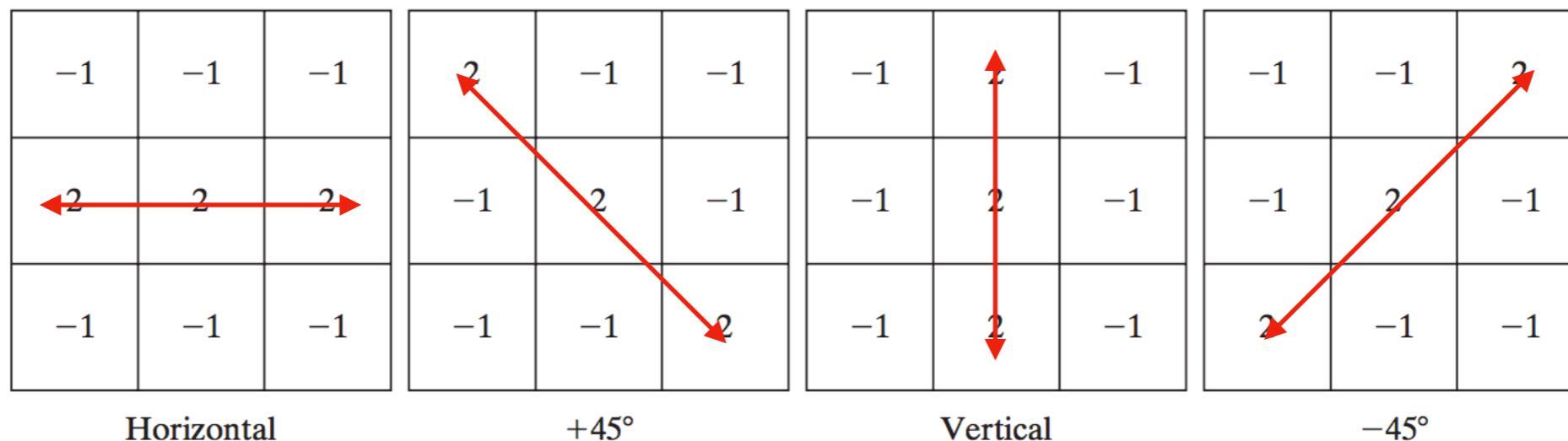


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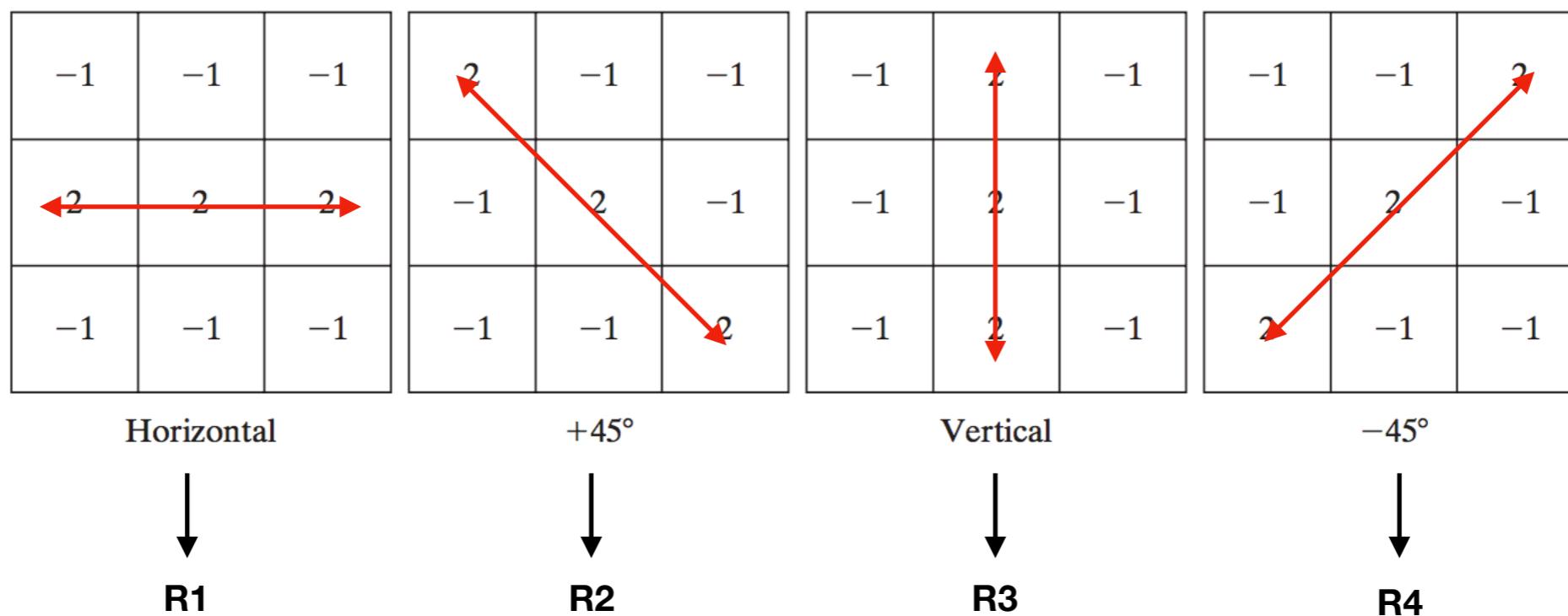


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$|R_k| > |R_j|, \text{ for all } j \neq k$ → The point is associated with a line in the direction of k

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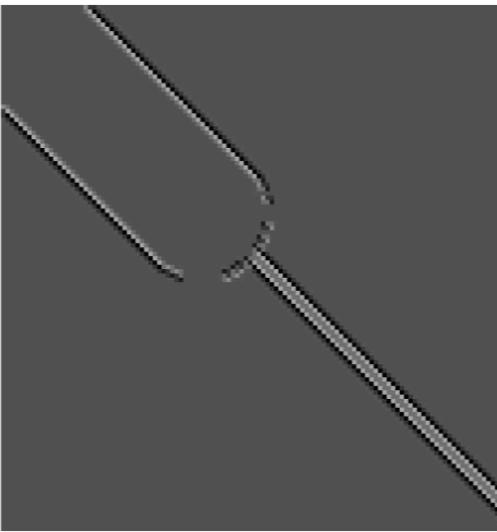
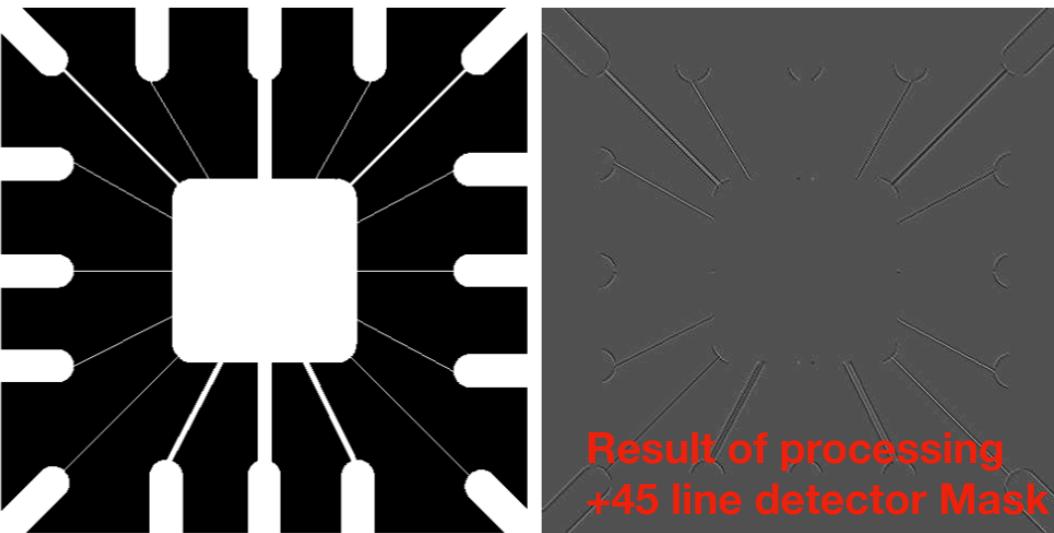
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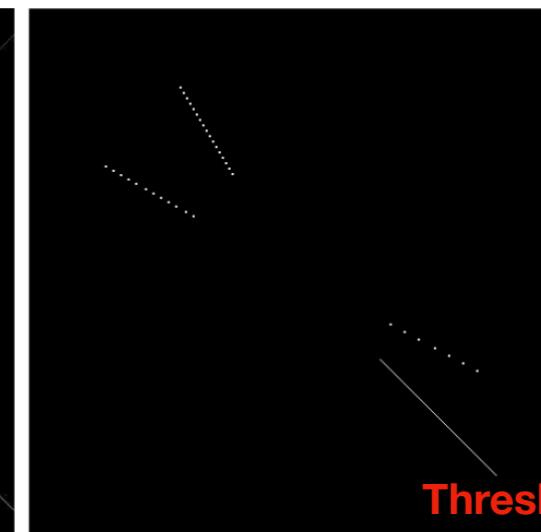
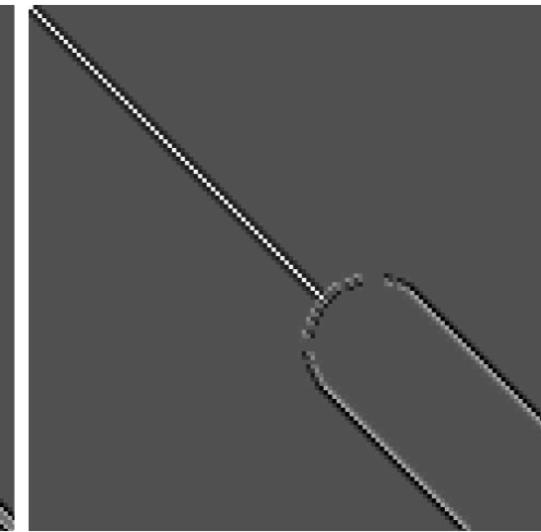
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$+45^\circ$

Use '+45 degrees' Mask to detect the lines rotated into +45 degrees



Set negative value into zero

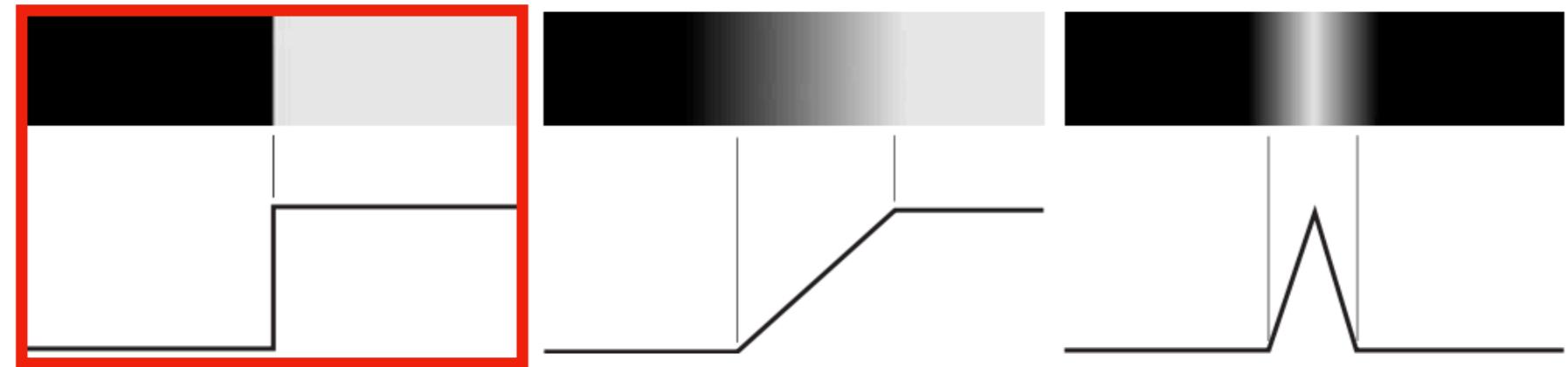


Thresholding

Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Edge Model

Step Edges



Ramp Edges

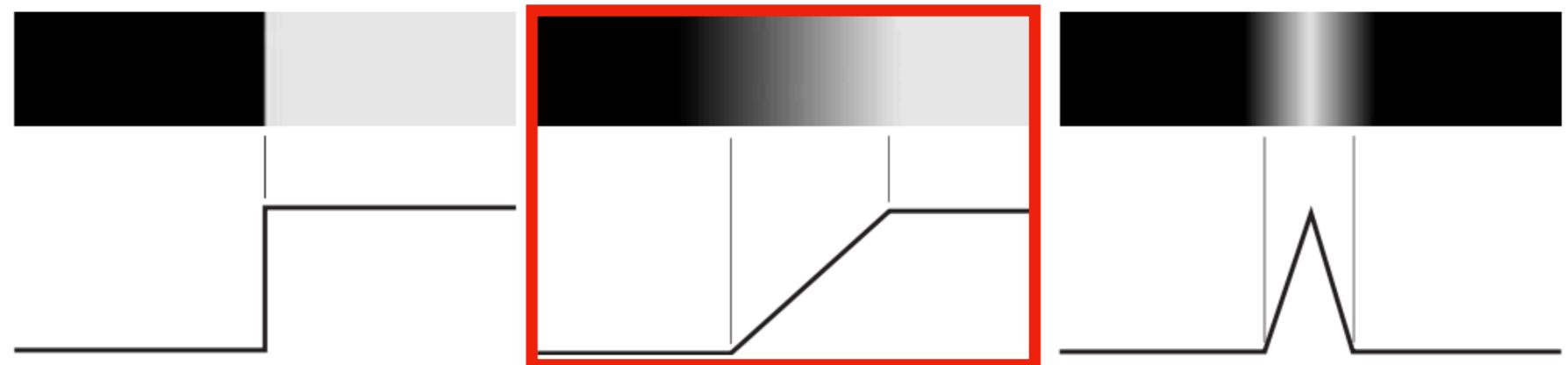
Roof Edges

- Involve transition between two intensity levels
- Occurring ideally over the distance of 1 pixel
- Generated by a computer for use in area such as solid modeling and animation

Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Edge Model

Step Edges



Ramp Edges

- Edges that are blurred and noisy
- Degree of blurring determined principally by limitation in focusing mechanism
- Degree of noise level determined principally by the electronic components of the imaging system
- Slope of the ramp is inversely proportional to the degree of blurring

Roof Edges

Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Edge Model

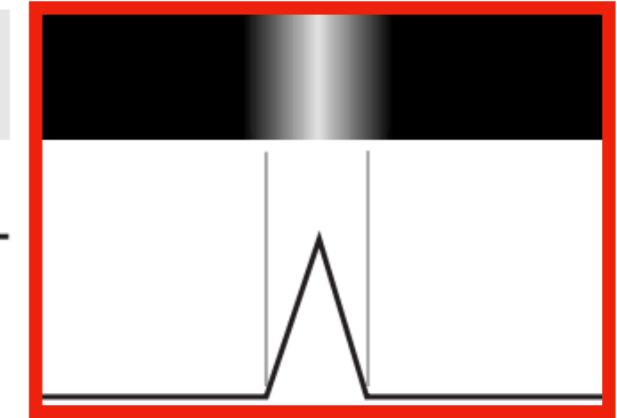
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Ramp Edges



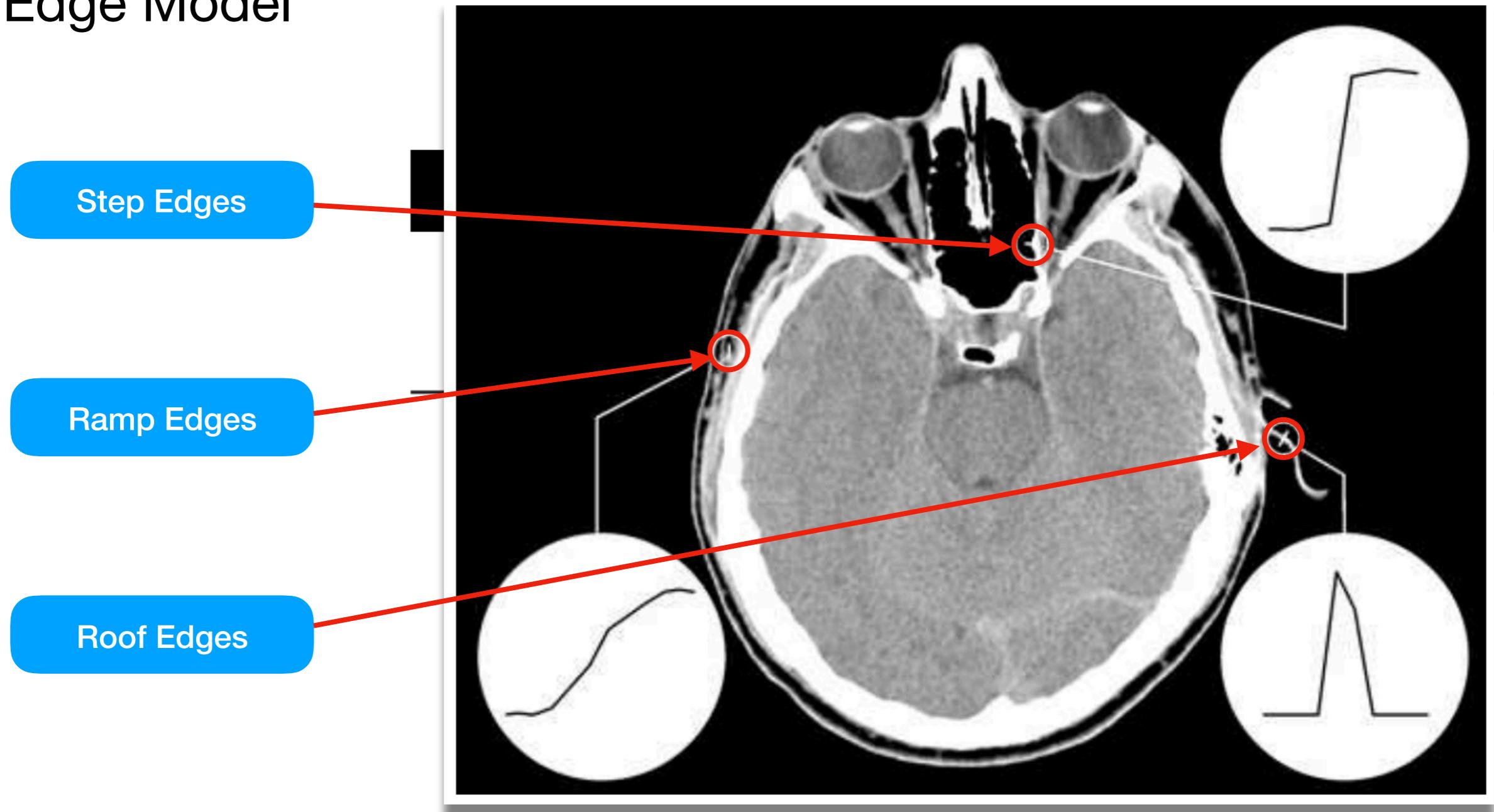
Roof Edges



- Roof edges are models of lines through of region with the base of roof edge being determined by thickness and sharpness of the line

Point, Line, Edge Detection

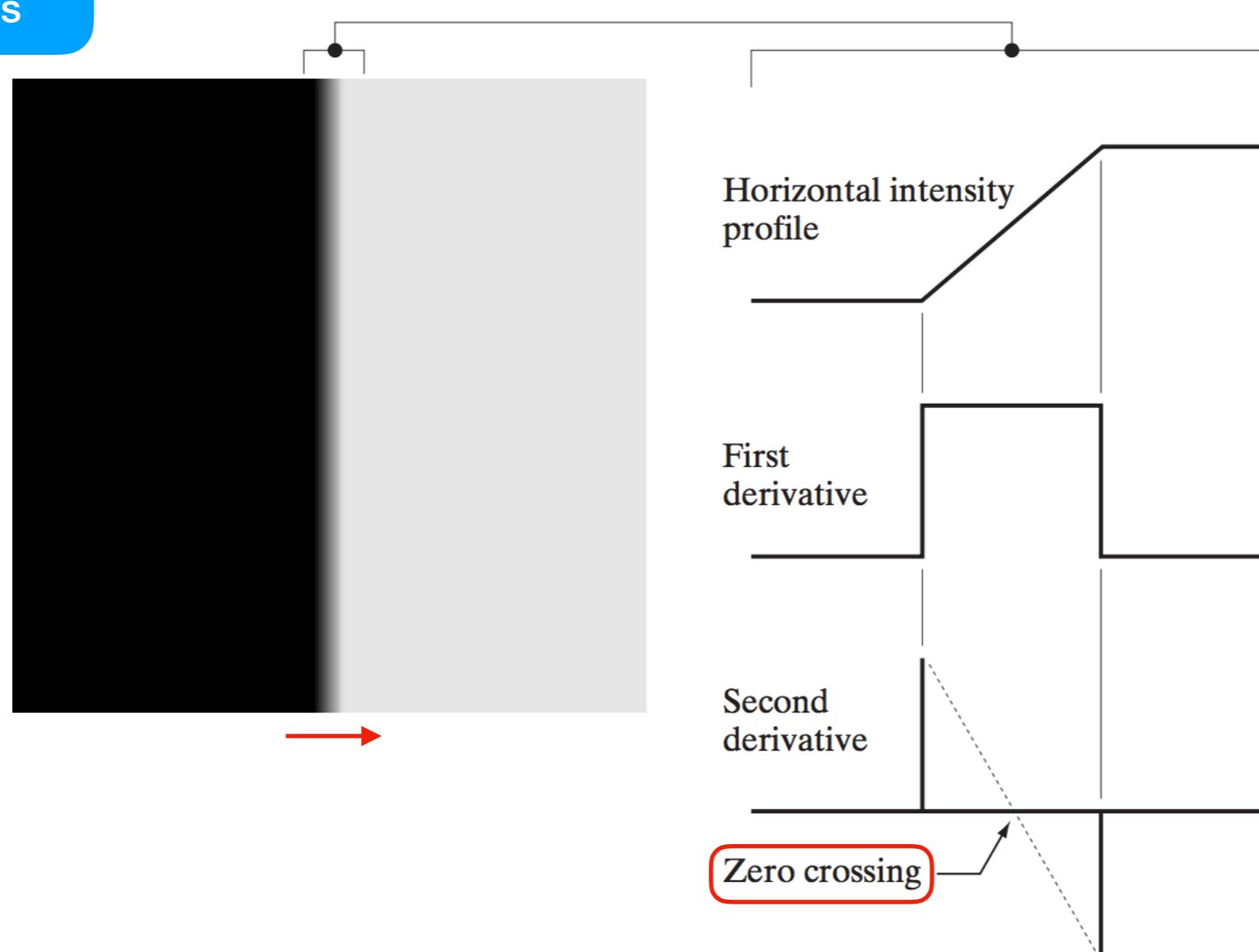
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Point, Line, Edge Detection

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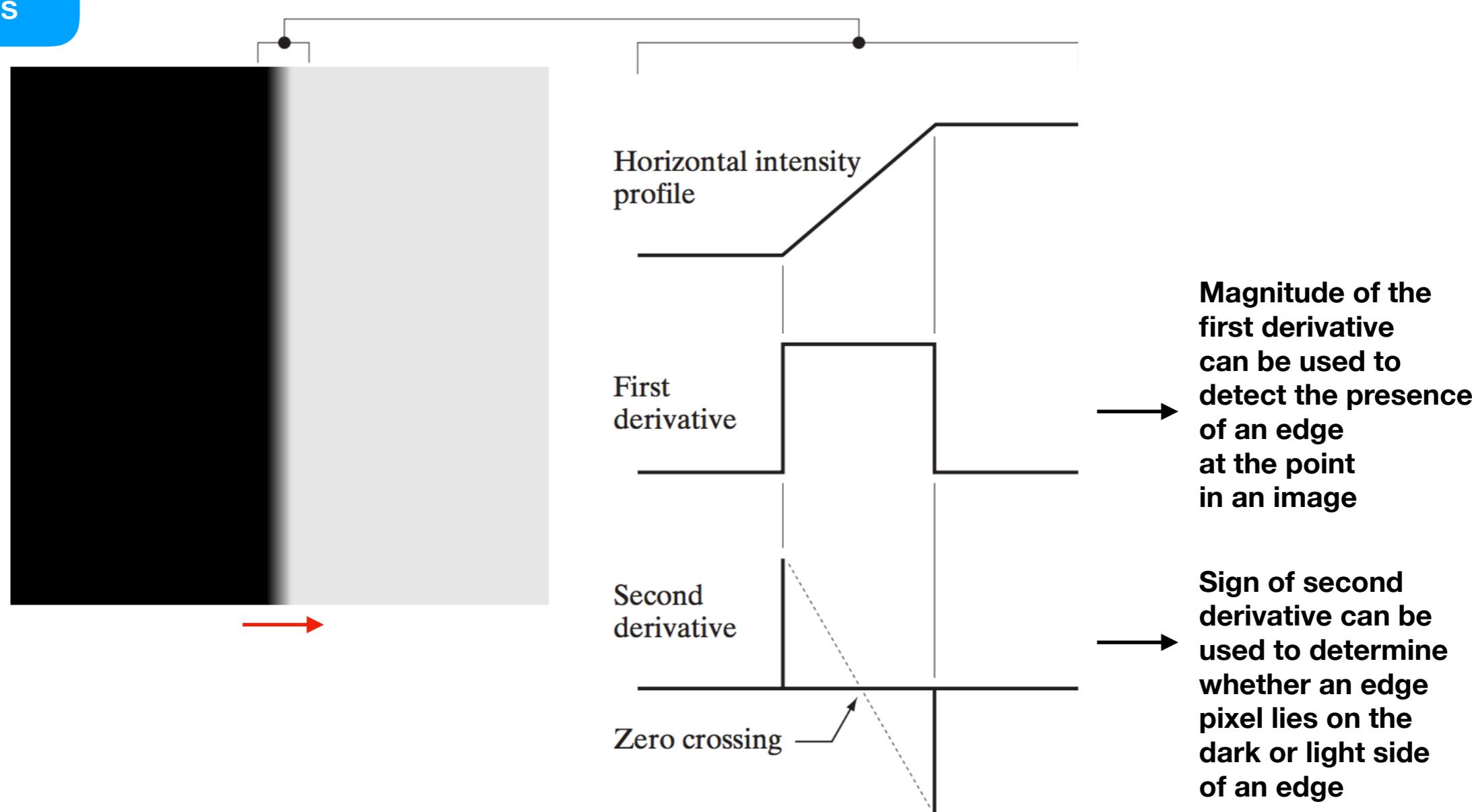
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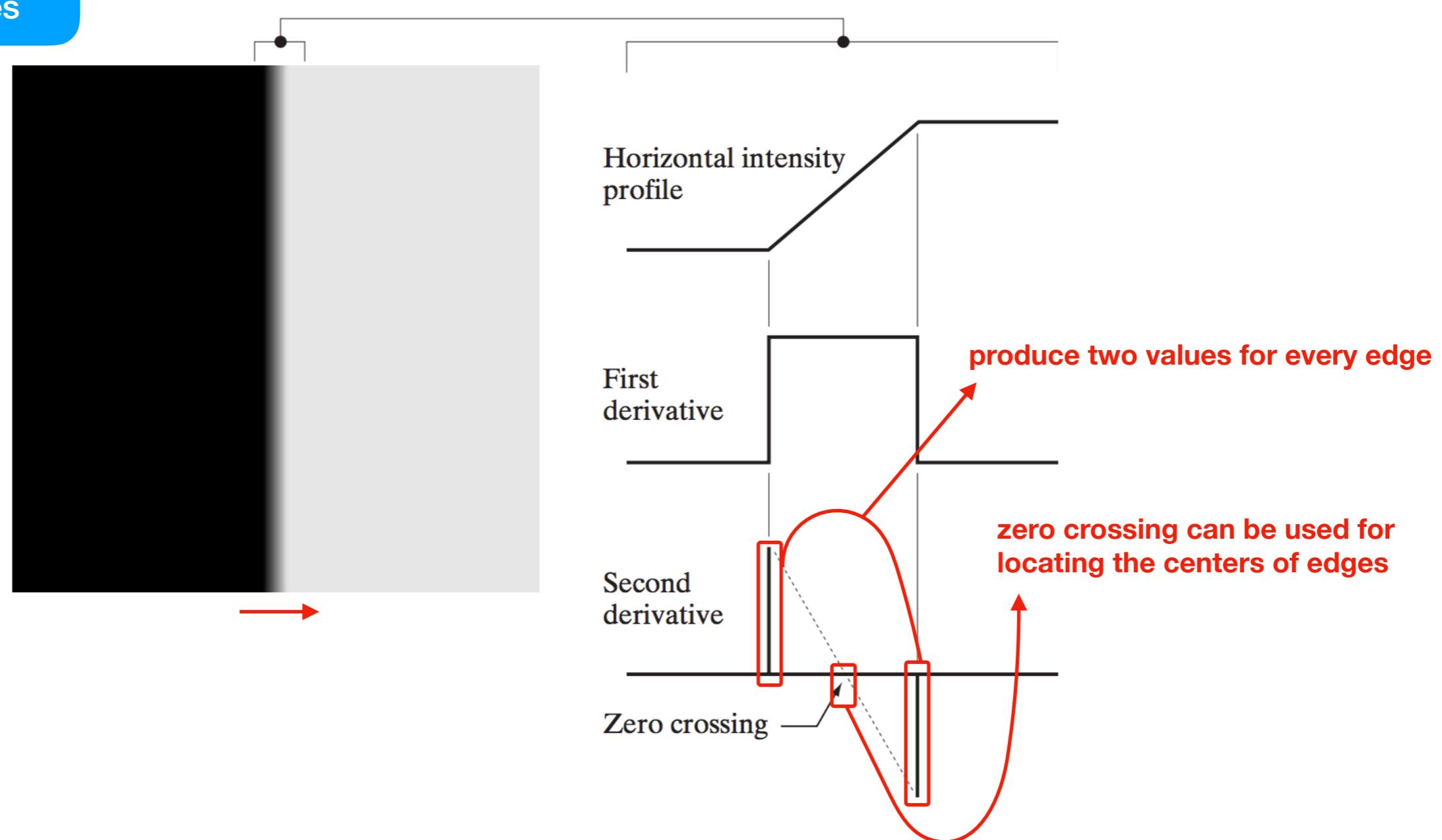
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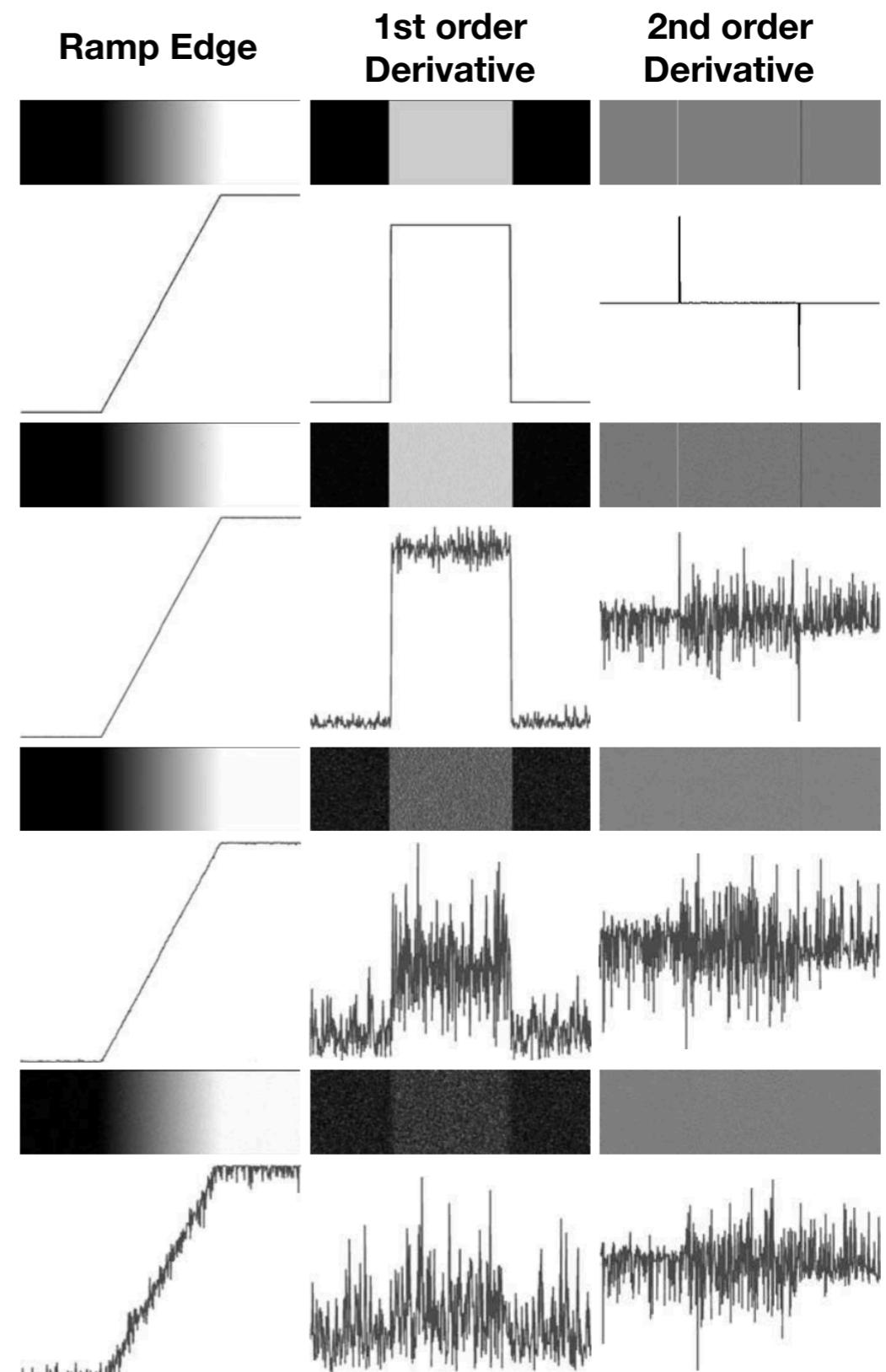
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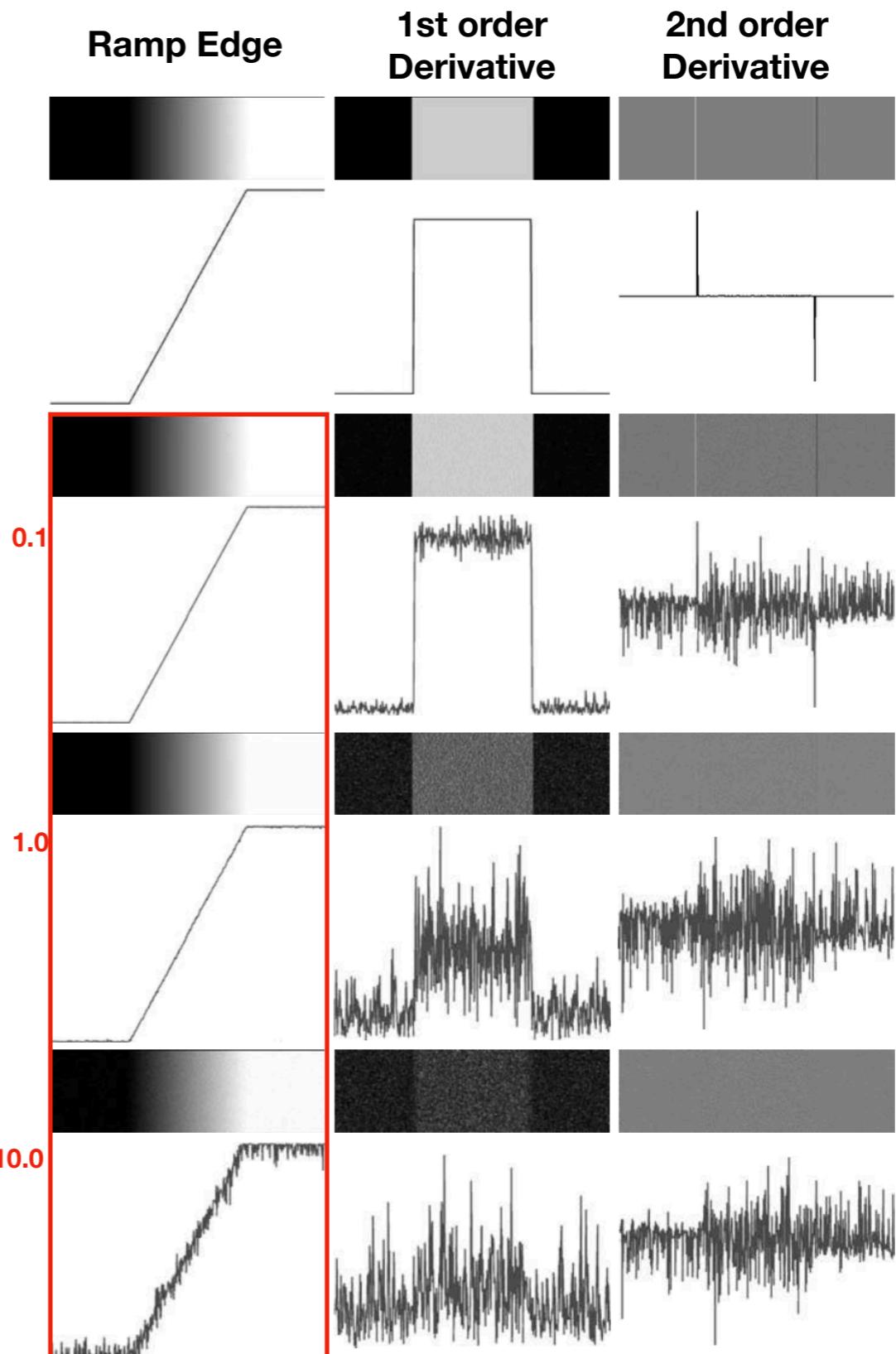


Point, Line, Edge Detection

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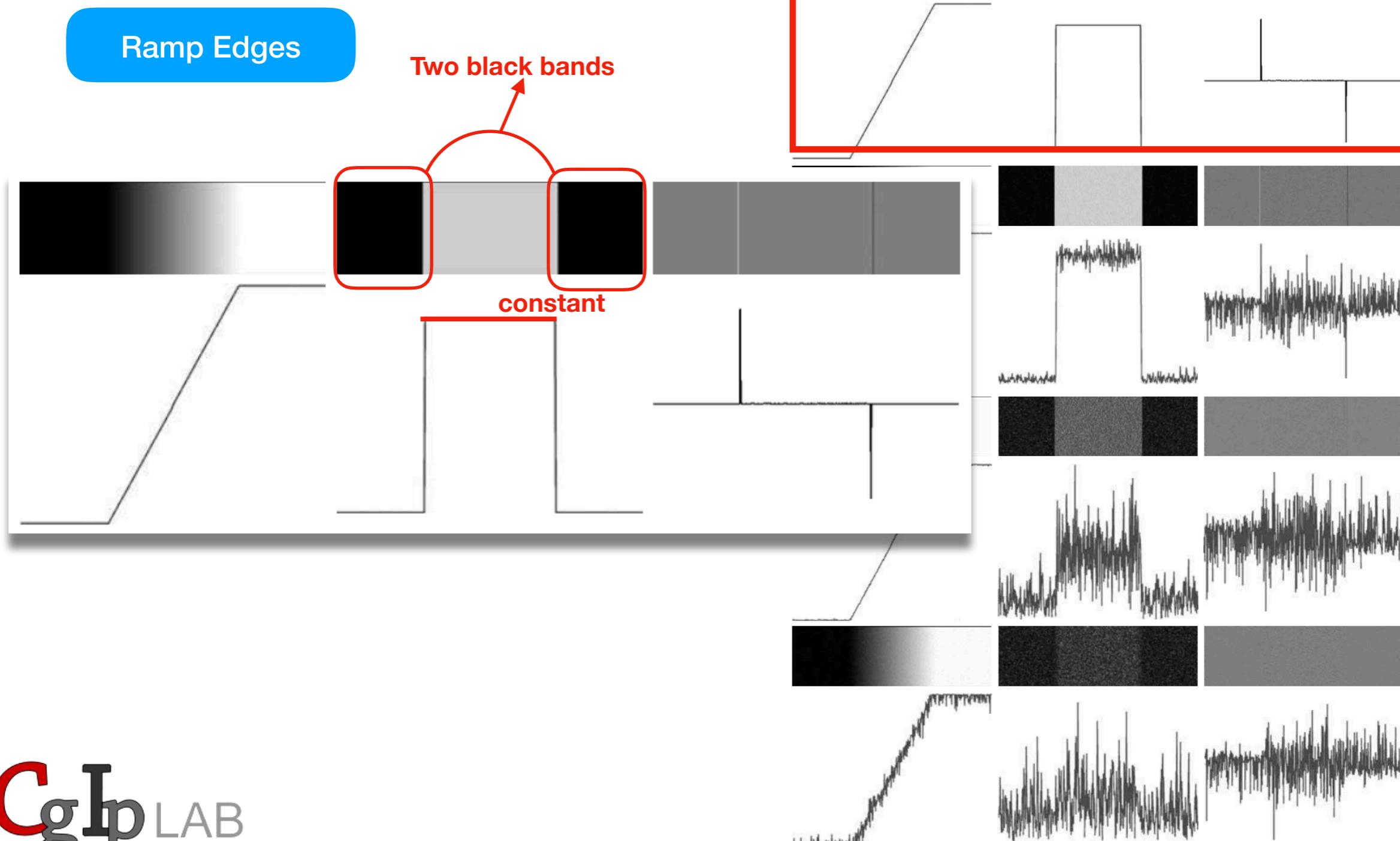
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corrupted by additive Gaussian Noise
with mean and std of case 0.1, 1.0, 10.0



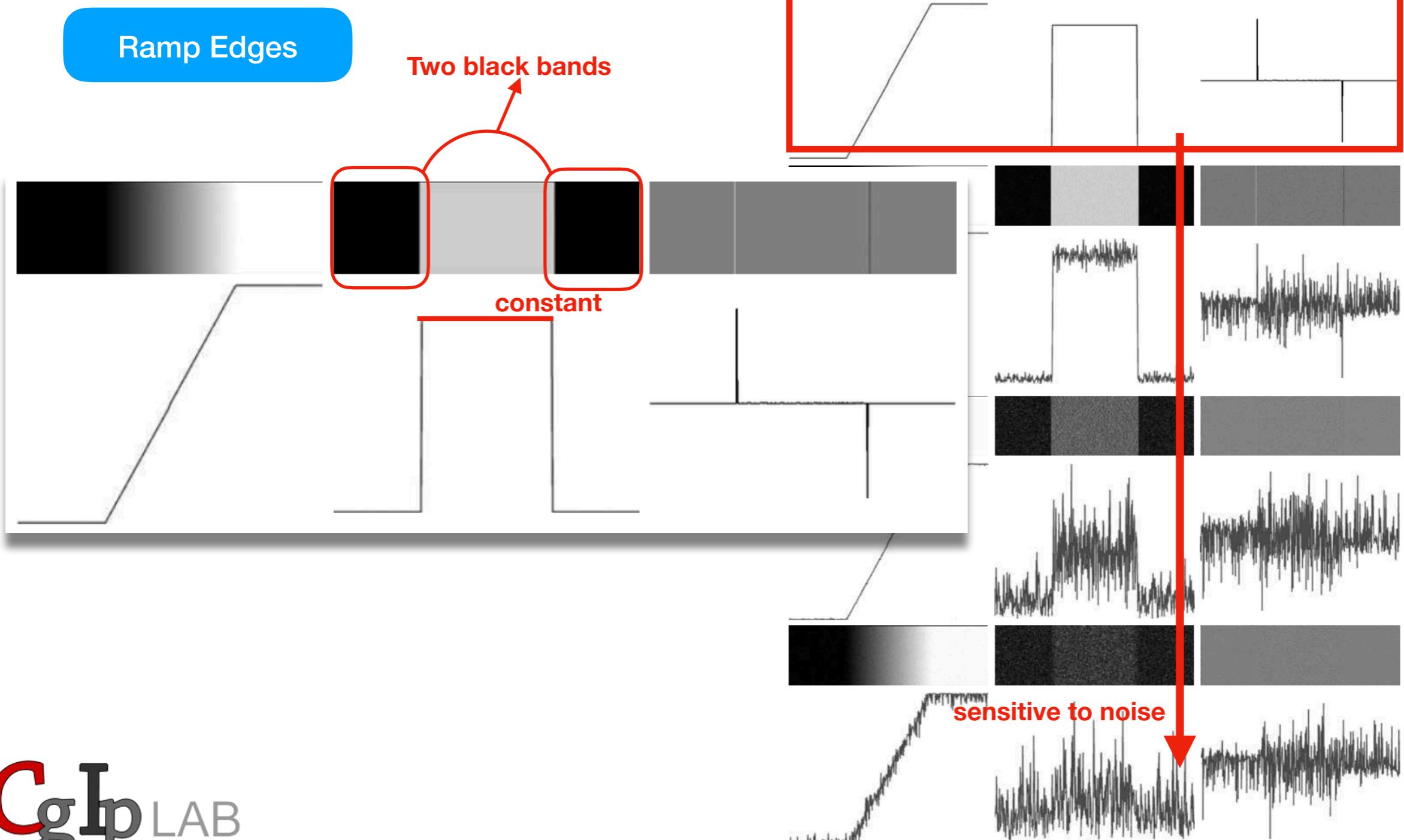
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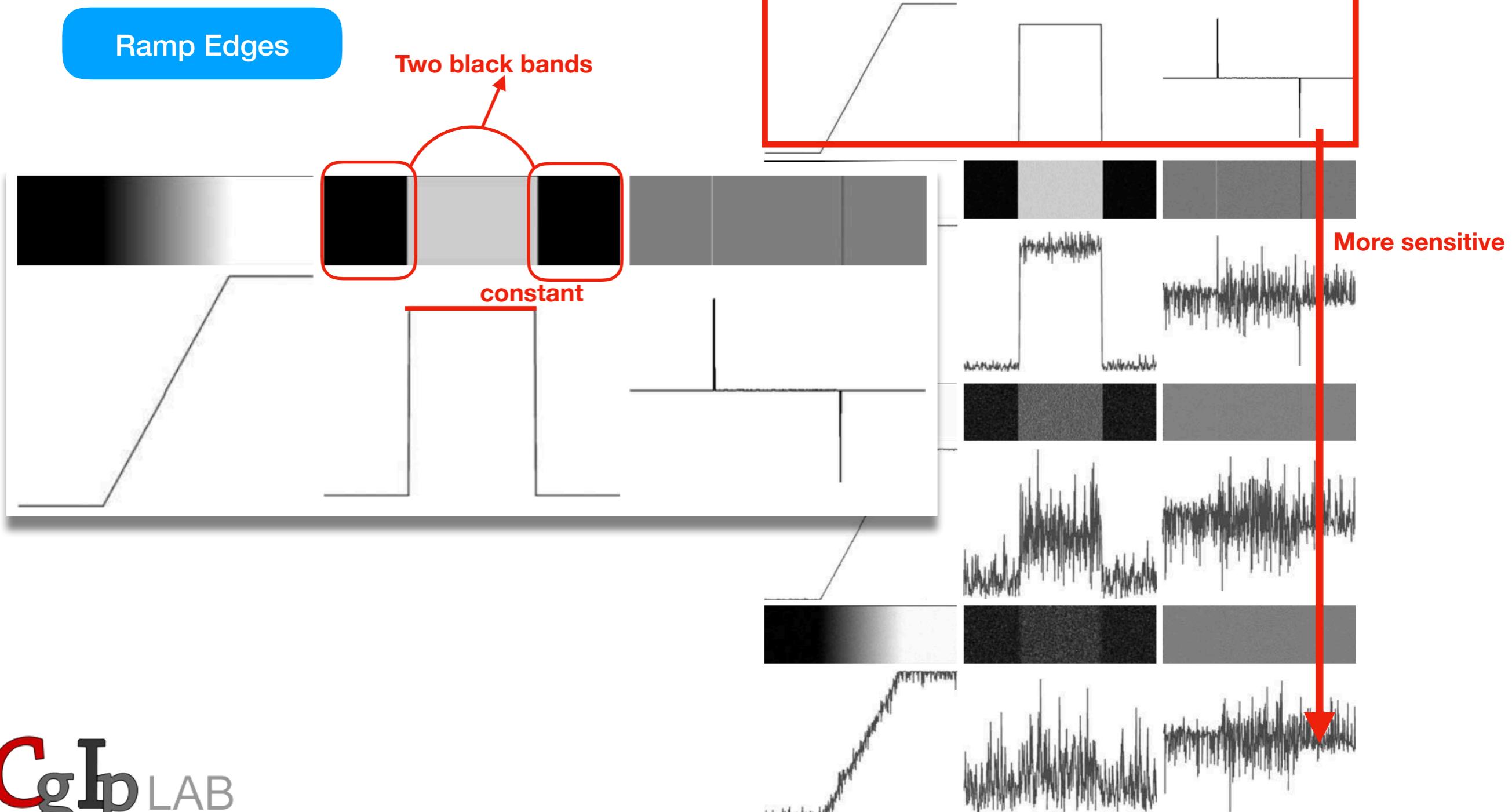
Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Edge Model



Point, Line, Edge Detection

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Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Edge Model
 - > Three fundamental steps performed in edge detection

Image Smoothing for Noise reduction



Detection of Edge points



Edge Localization

Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Basic Edge Detection

 - > Discuss about First-order Derivatives

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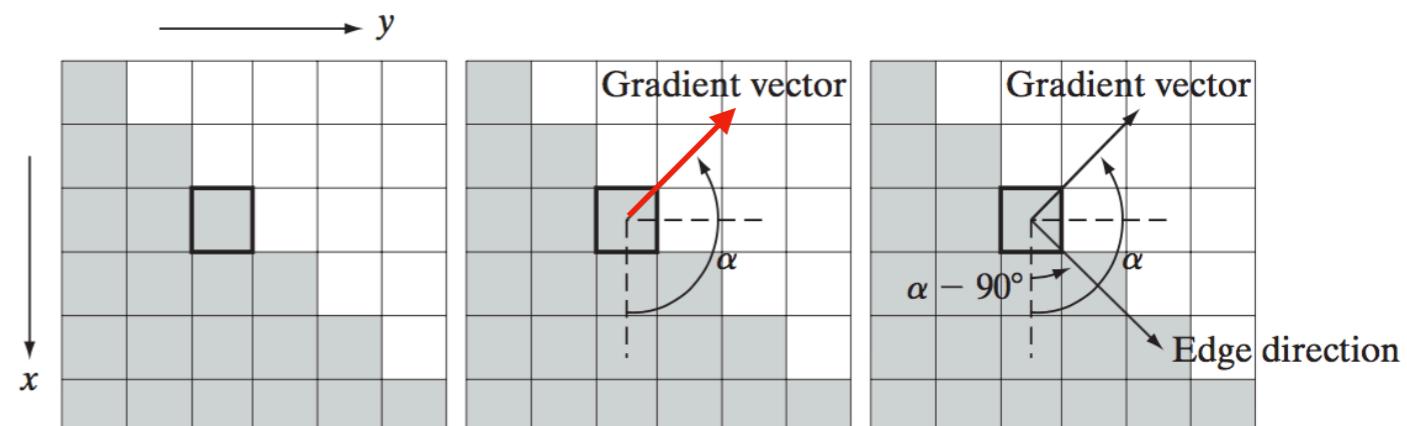
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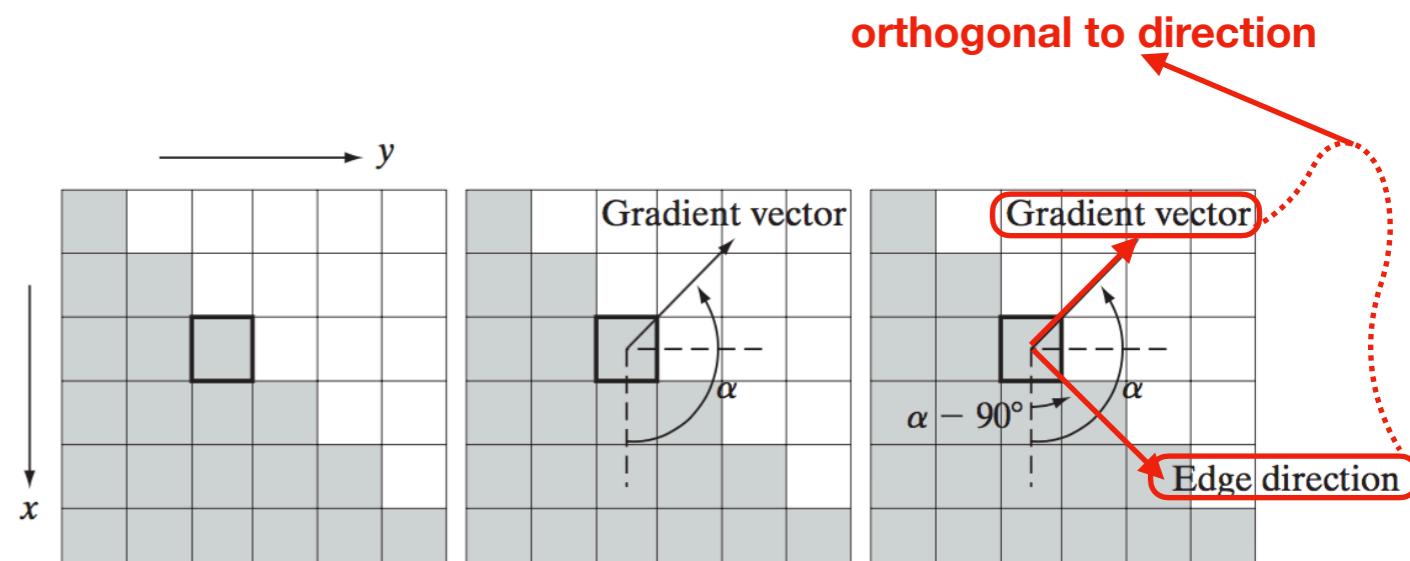
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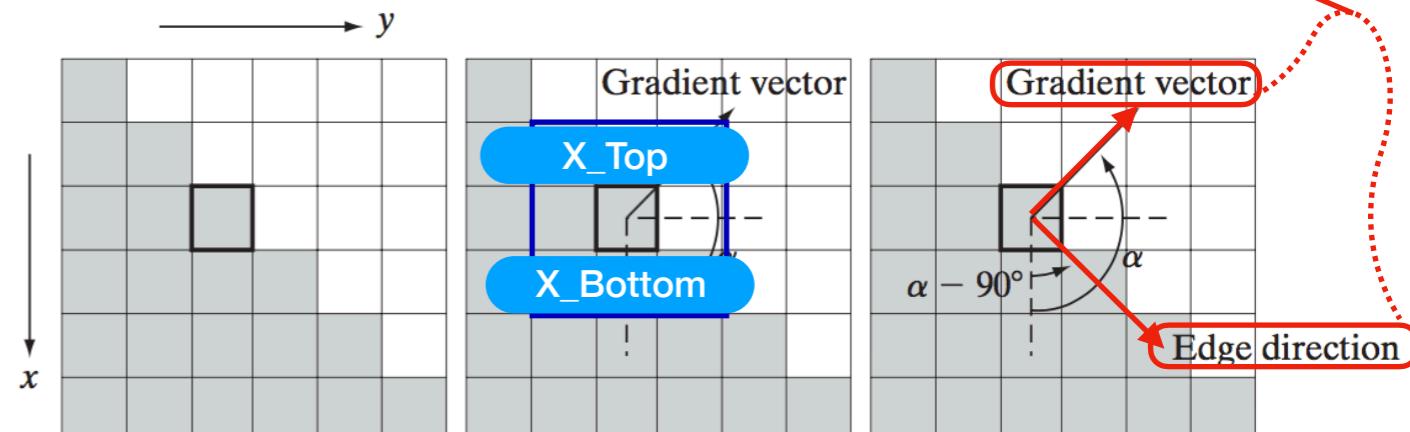
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Computing derivatives in the x- and y-direction using 3x3 neighborhood centered

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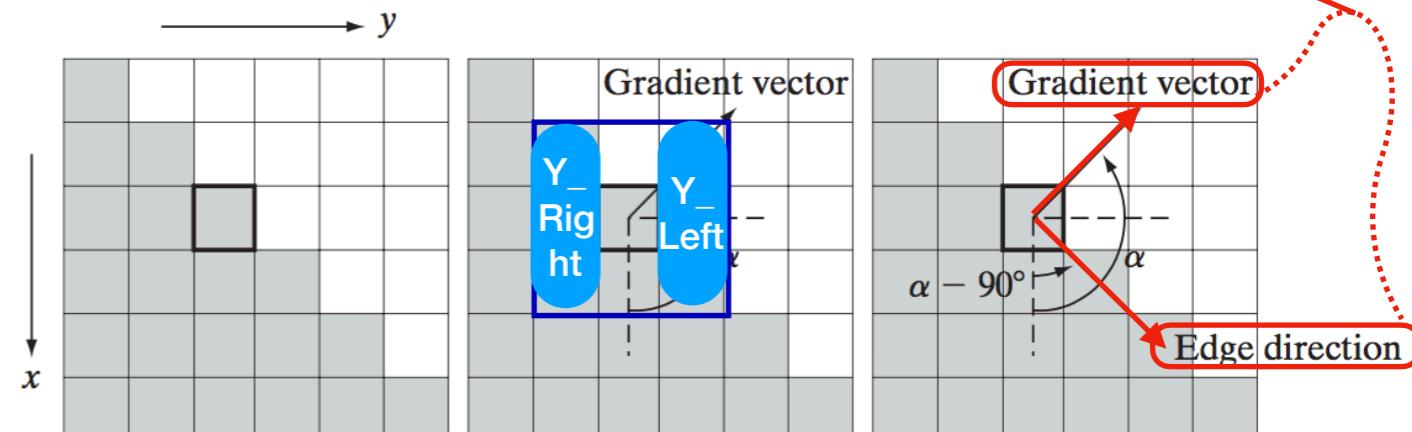
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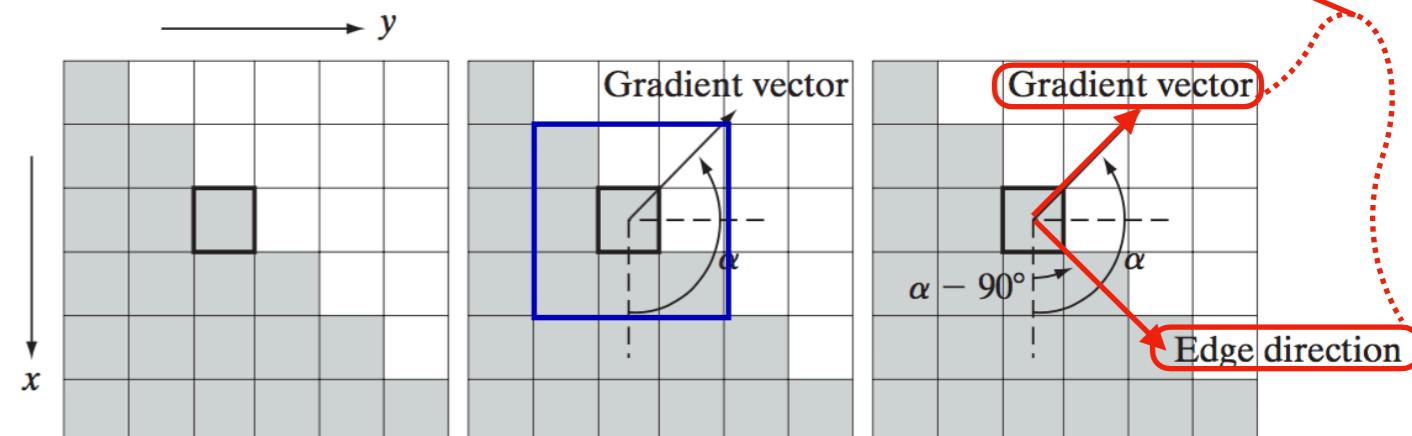
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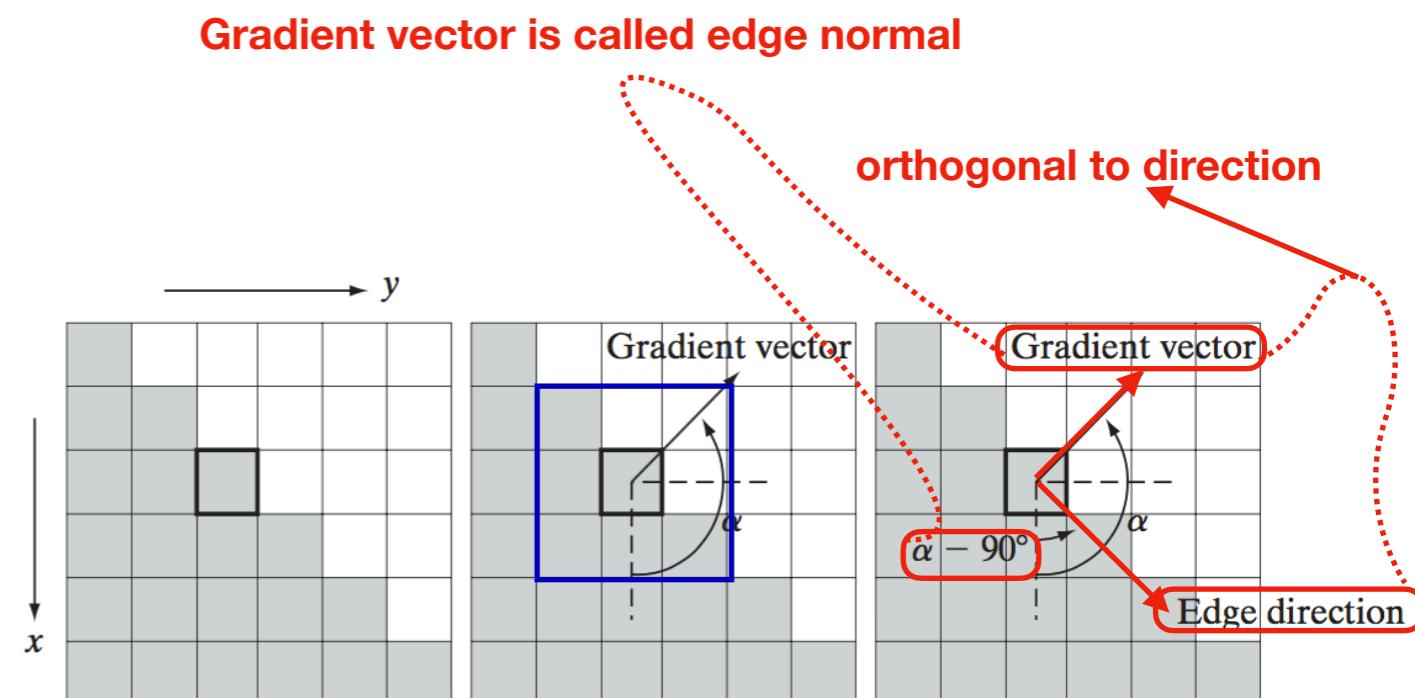
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Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Basic Edge Detection
-> Gradient Operators

$$g_x = \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial x} = f(x+1, y) - f(x,y)$$

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-1
1

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→ For 1-D Masking

Point, Line, Edge Detection

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→ For 1-D Masking

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=> Use 2-D Masking (Roberts operators)

$$g_x = \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial x} = (z_9 - z_5)$$

$$g_y = \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y} = (z_8 - z_6)$$

z_1	z_2	z_3
z_4	z_5	z_6
z_7	z_8	z_9

Derivatives are implemented by

-1	0	0	-1
0	1	1	0

Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Basic Edge Detection

-> 2x2 sized Mask are not useful for computing edge direction as masks that are symmetric about the center point computing edge direction as 3x3 sized Mask

-1	-1	-1
0	0	0
1	1	1

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-1	0	1

Prewitt

-1	-2	-1
0	0	0
1	2	1

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-2	0	2
-1	0	1

Sobel

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$$M(x,y) \approx |g_x| + |g_y|$$

=> Resulting filters will result in

=> Solve this problem for vertical and horizontal edges

-> And also we want to take the strongest

0	1	1
-1	0	1
-1	-1	0
0	1	1

Prewitt

0	1	2
-1	0	1
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Sobel

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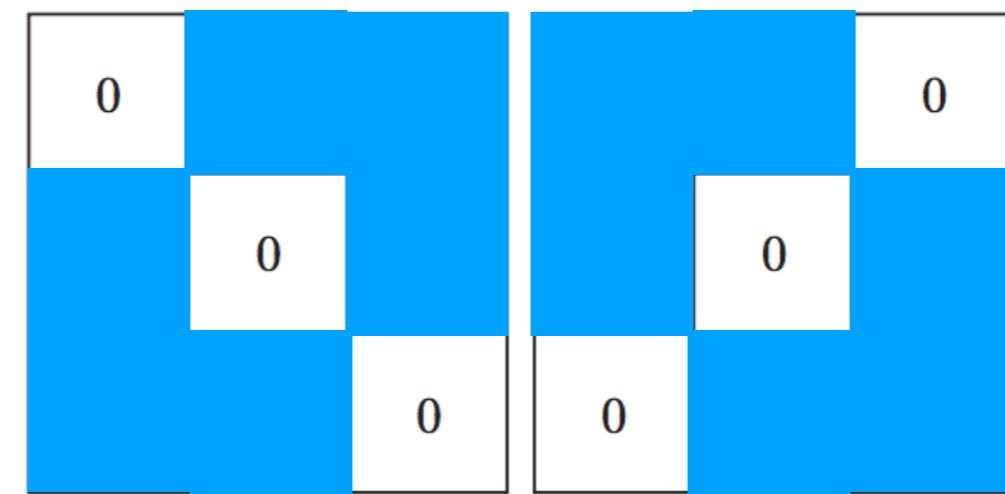
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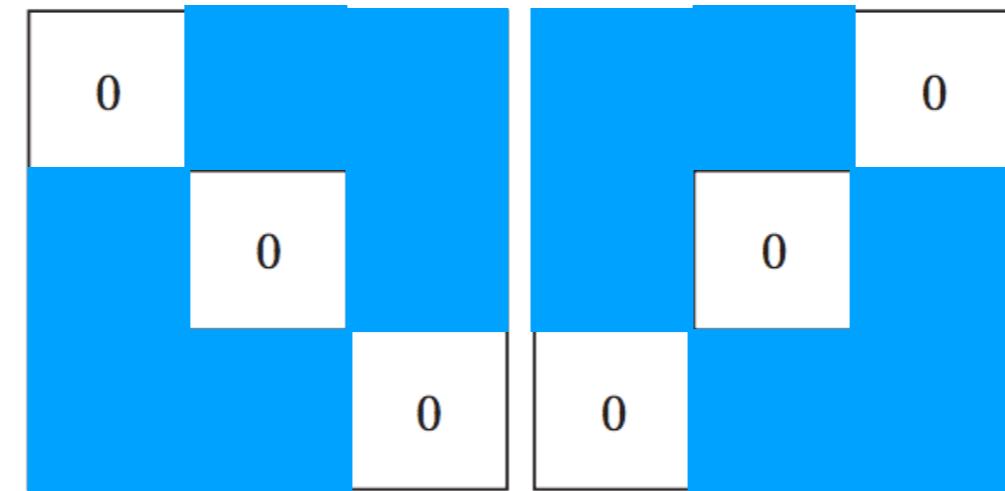
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Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Basic Edge Detection

- > Magnitude of edge

$M(x,y)$

- > Compute so ap
is used

$M(x,y)$

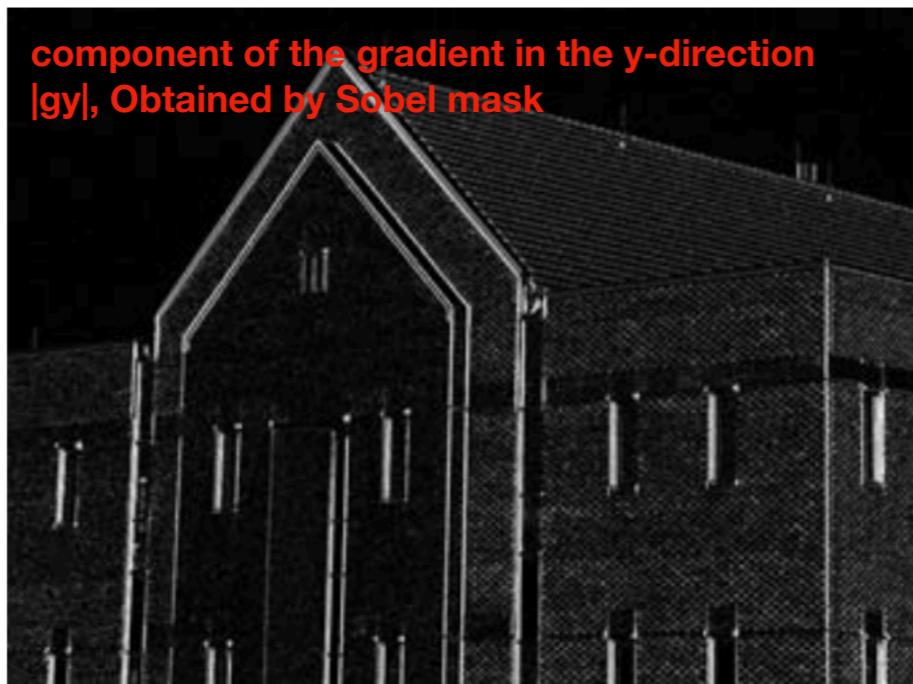
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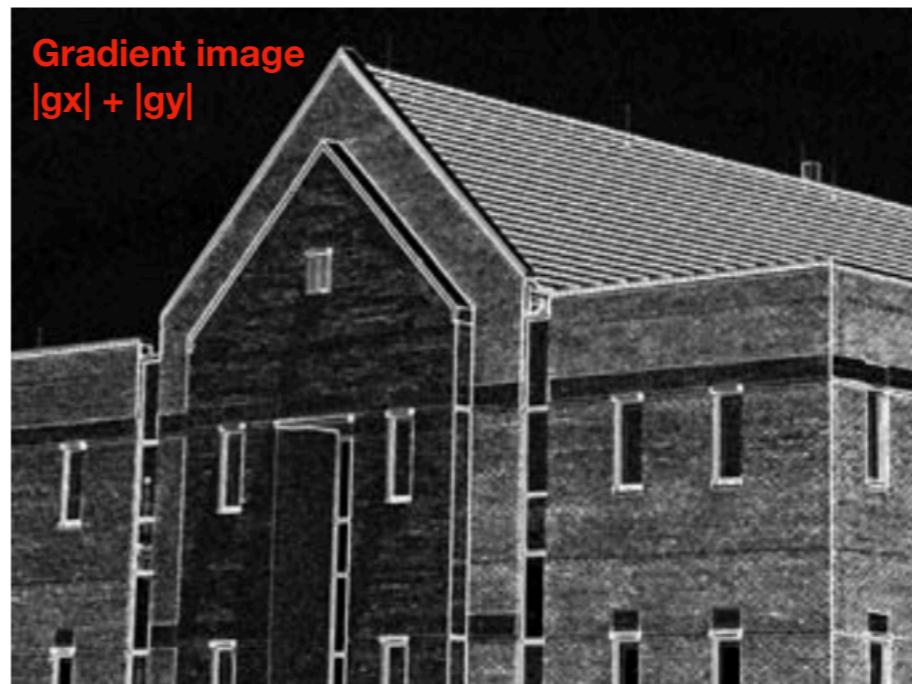
Gradient Magnitude Image



component of the gradient in the x-direction
 $|gx|$, Obtained by Sobel mask



component of the gradient in the y-direction
 $|gy|$, Obtained by Sobel mask



Gradient image
 $|gx| + |gy|$

Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Basic Edge Detection

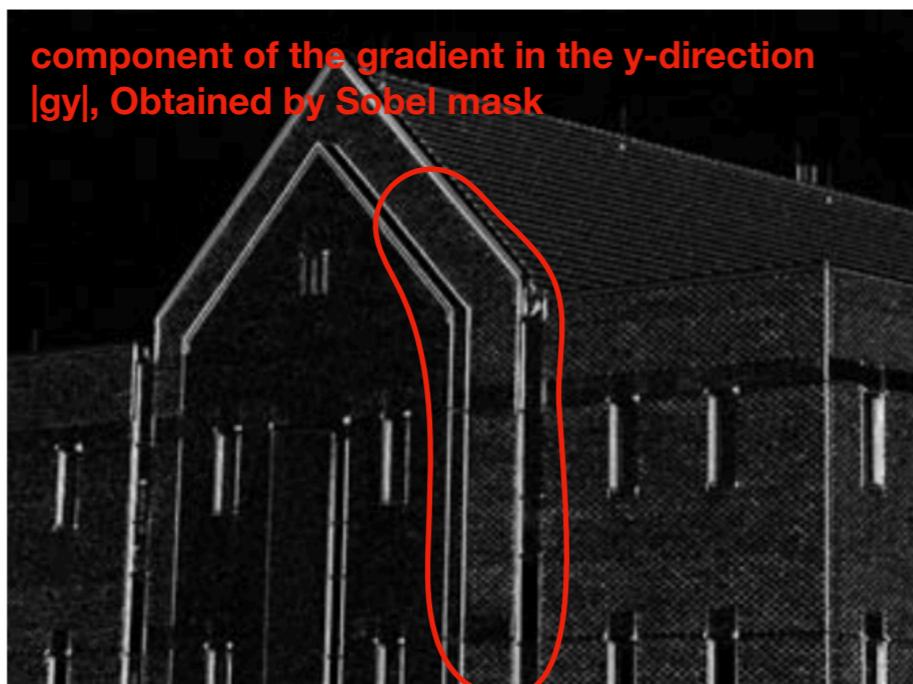
- > Magnitude of edge

$M(x,y)$



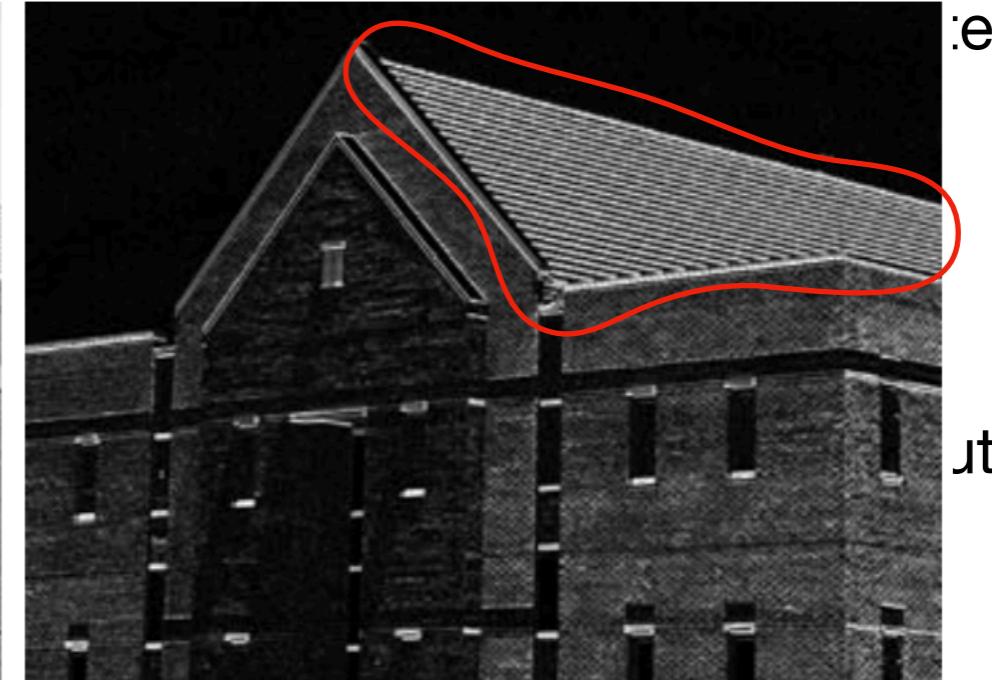
- > Compute so ap is used

$M(x,y)$

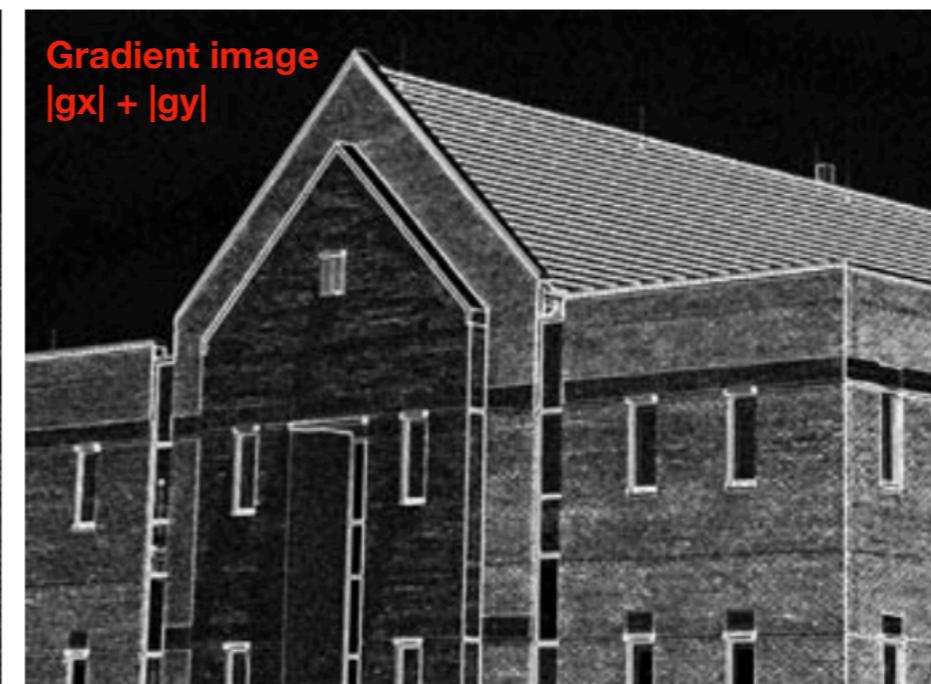


- => Result of component of the gradient in the y-direction $|gy|$, Obtained by Sobel mask

component of the gradient in the x-direction $|gx|$, Obtained by Sobel mask



Gradient image $|gx| + |gy|$



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Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Basic Edge Detection

- > Magnitude of gradient estimate edge strength

$$M(x,y) = \sqrt{g_x^2 + g_y^2}$$

- > Combining magnitude and orientation approaches is used

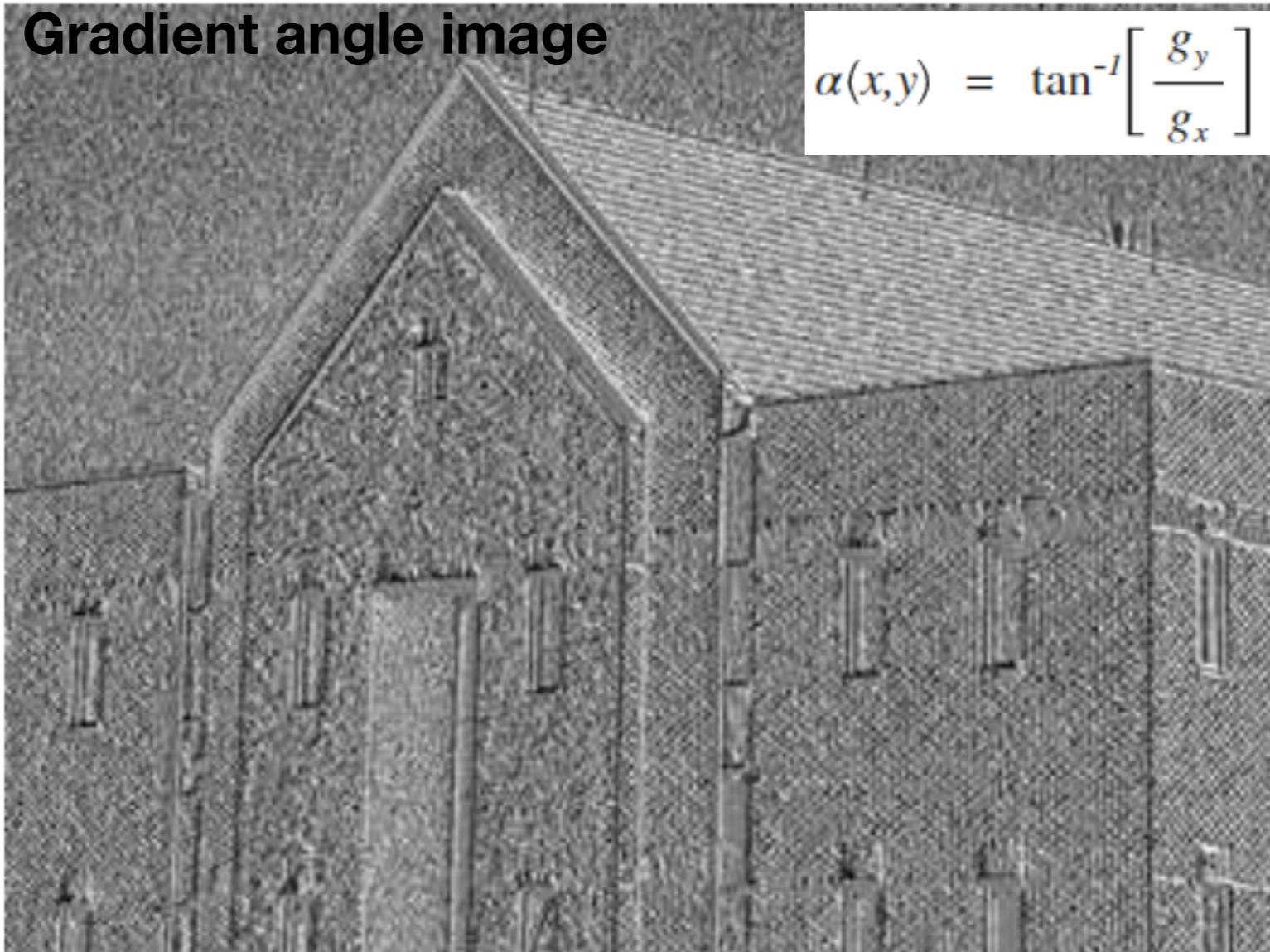
$$M(x,y) \approx |g_x|$$

=> Resulting equation
=> Solve for vector v

-> Select a

Gradient angle image

$$\alpha(x,y) = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{g_y}{g_x} \right]$$



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Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Basic Edge Detection

- > Magn **Reduce Detail,
Smoothing the image**

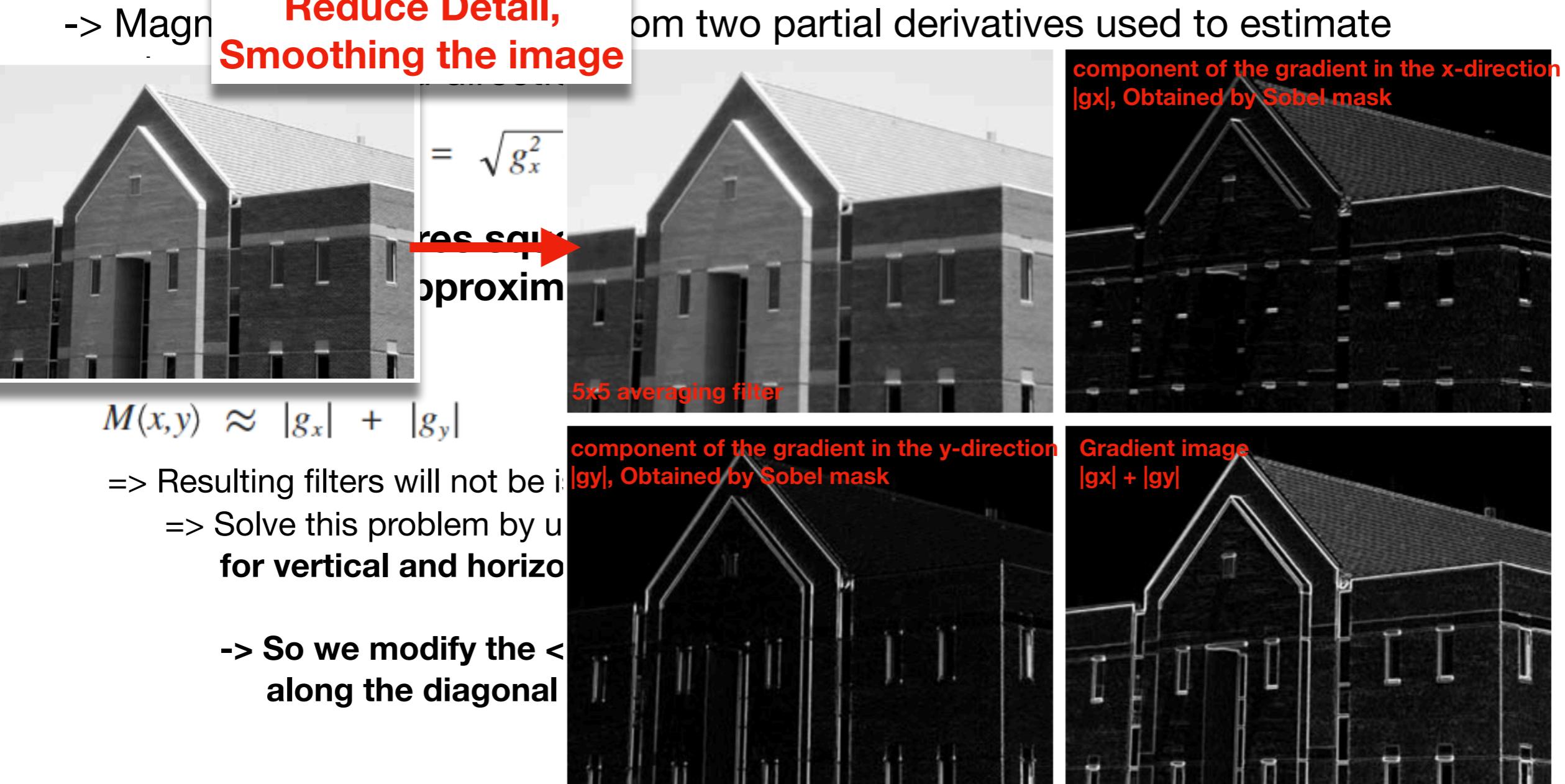


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Point, Line, Edge Detection

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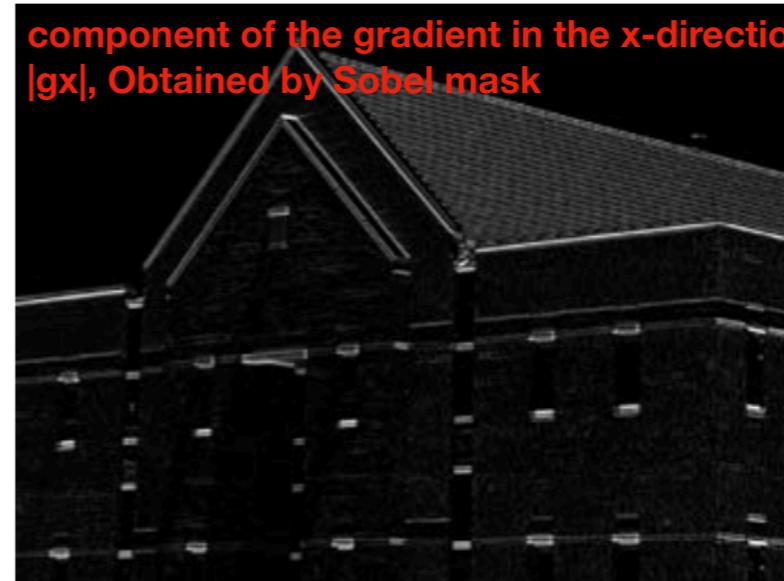
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$$M(x,y) \approx$$

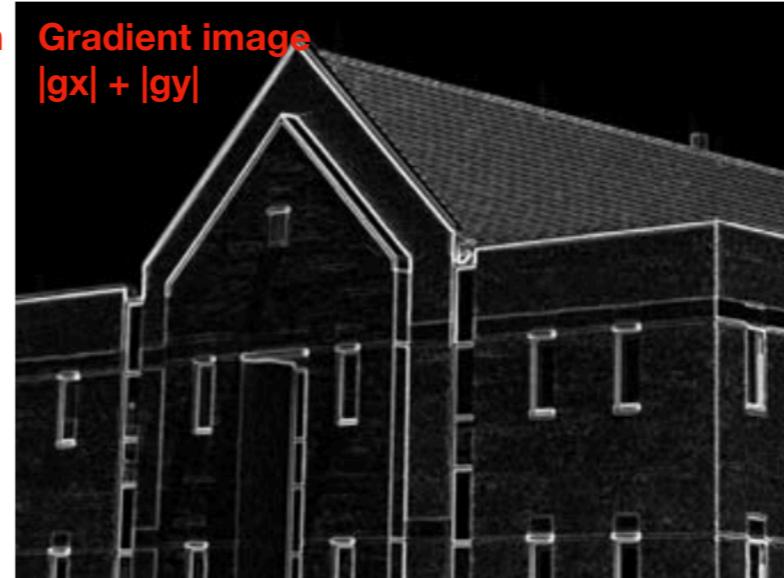
=> Resulting equation
=> Solve



component of the gradient in the y-direction
 $|g_y|$, Obtained by Sobel mask



component of the gradient in the x-direction
 $|g_x|$, Obtained by Sobel mask



Gradient image
 $|g_x| + |g_y|$



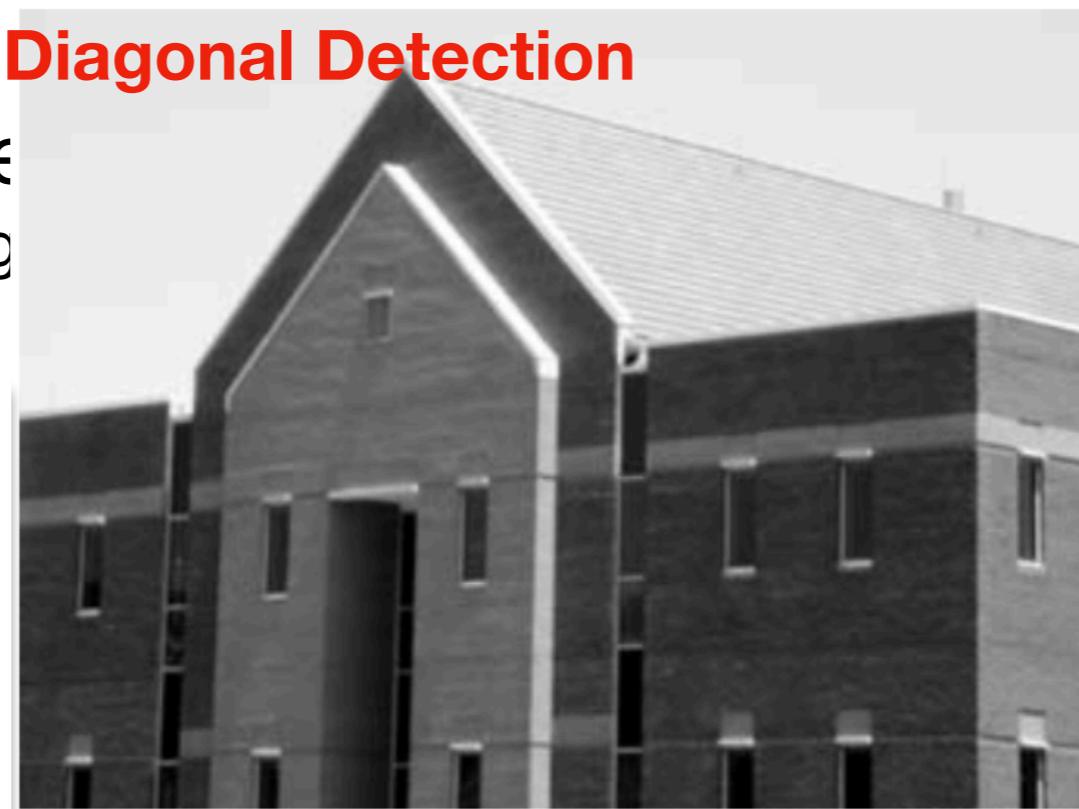
absolute value
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- Basic Edge Detection
 - > Magnitude of the gradient is used to estimate edge strength and

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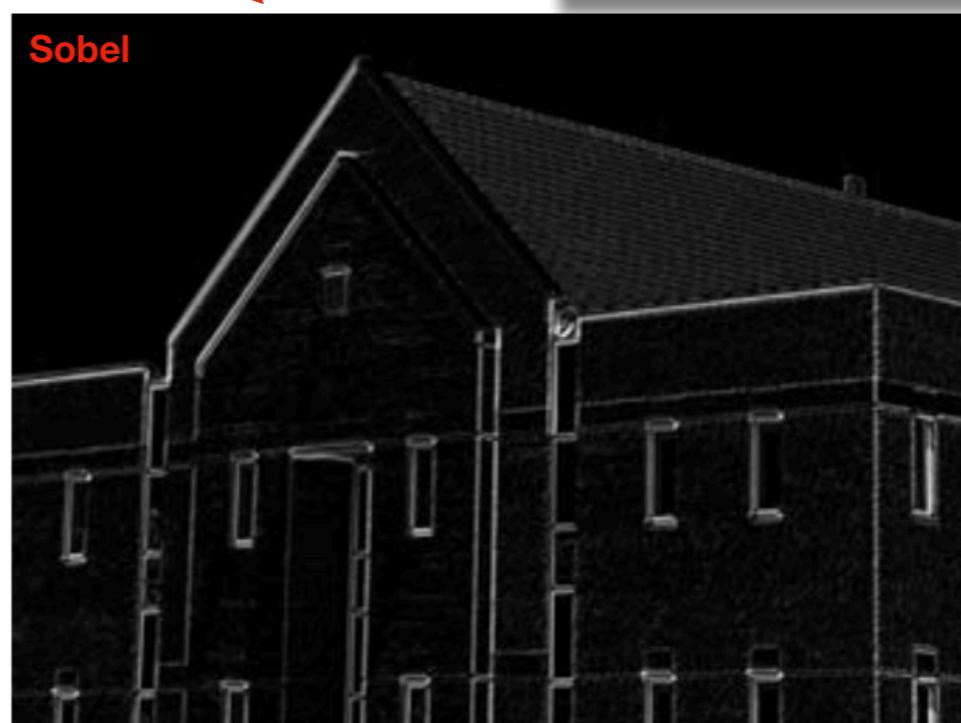


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- Basic

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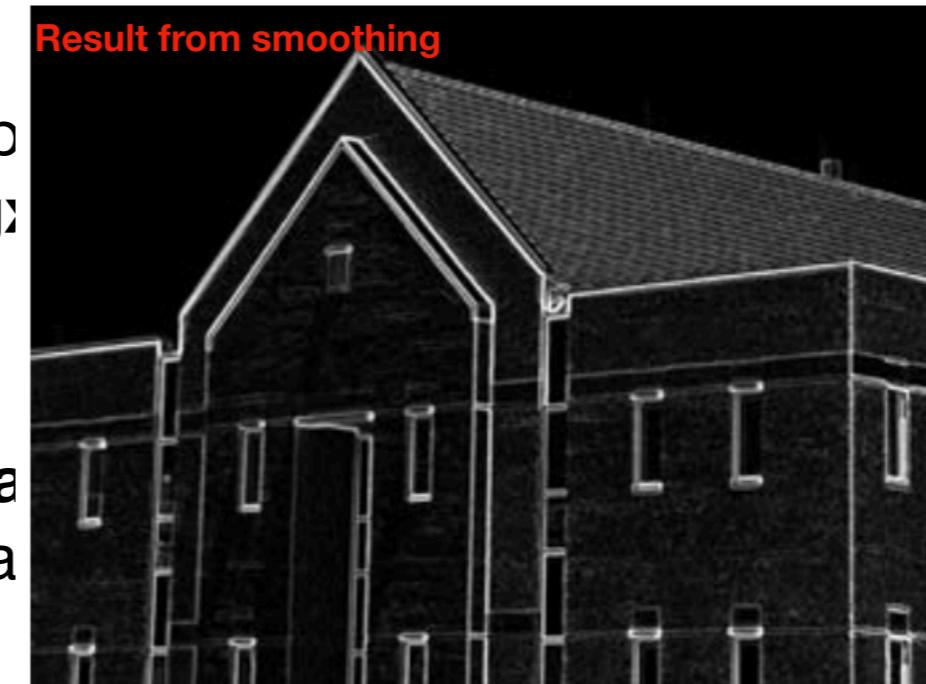
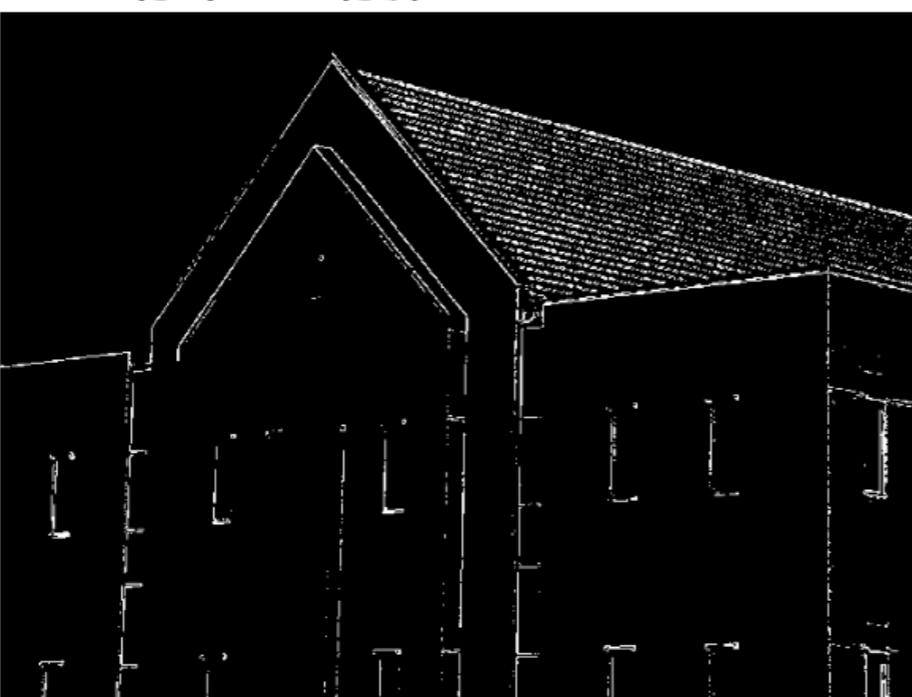
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- More Advanced Techniques for Edge Detection
 - > Improve edge detecting methodologies by taking into account factors such as image noise and the nature of edge themselves

Marr-Hildreth Edge
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Canny Edge Detector

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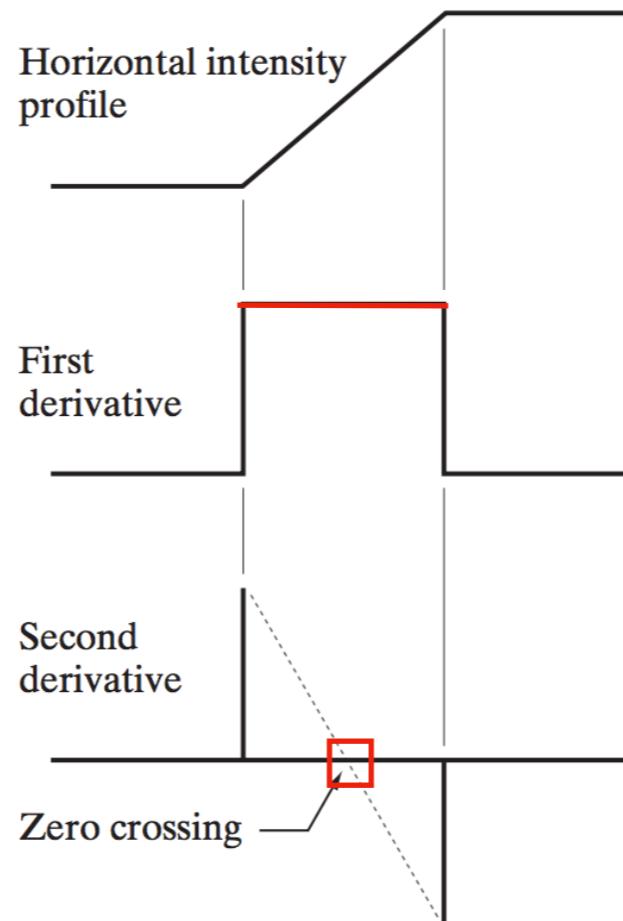
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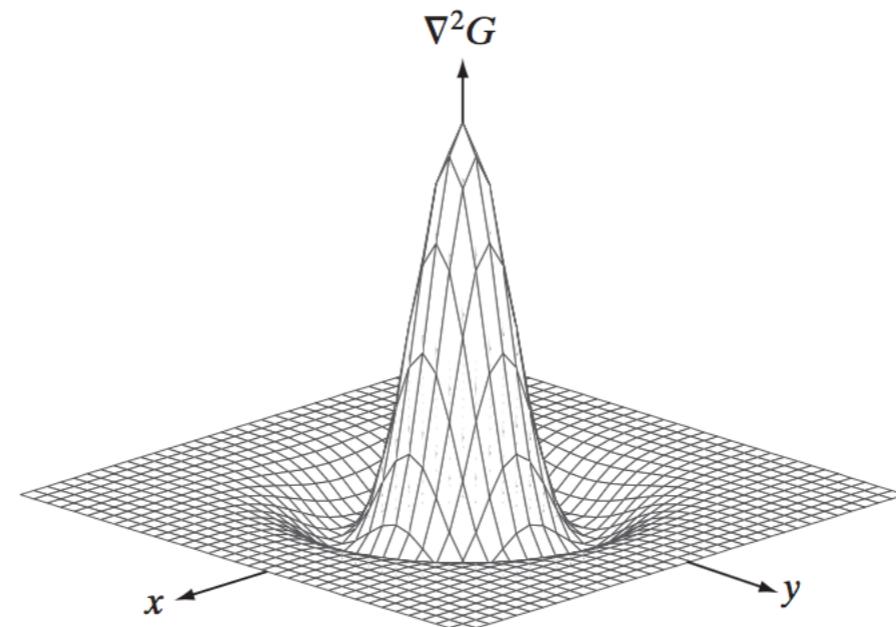
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Mexican hat operator

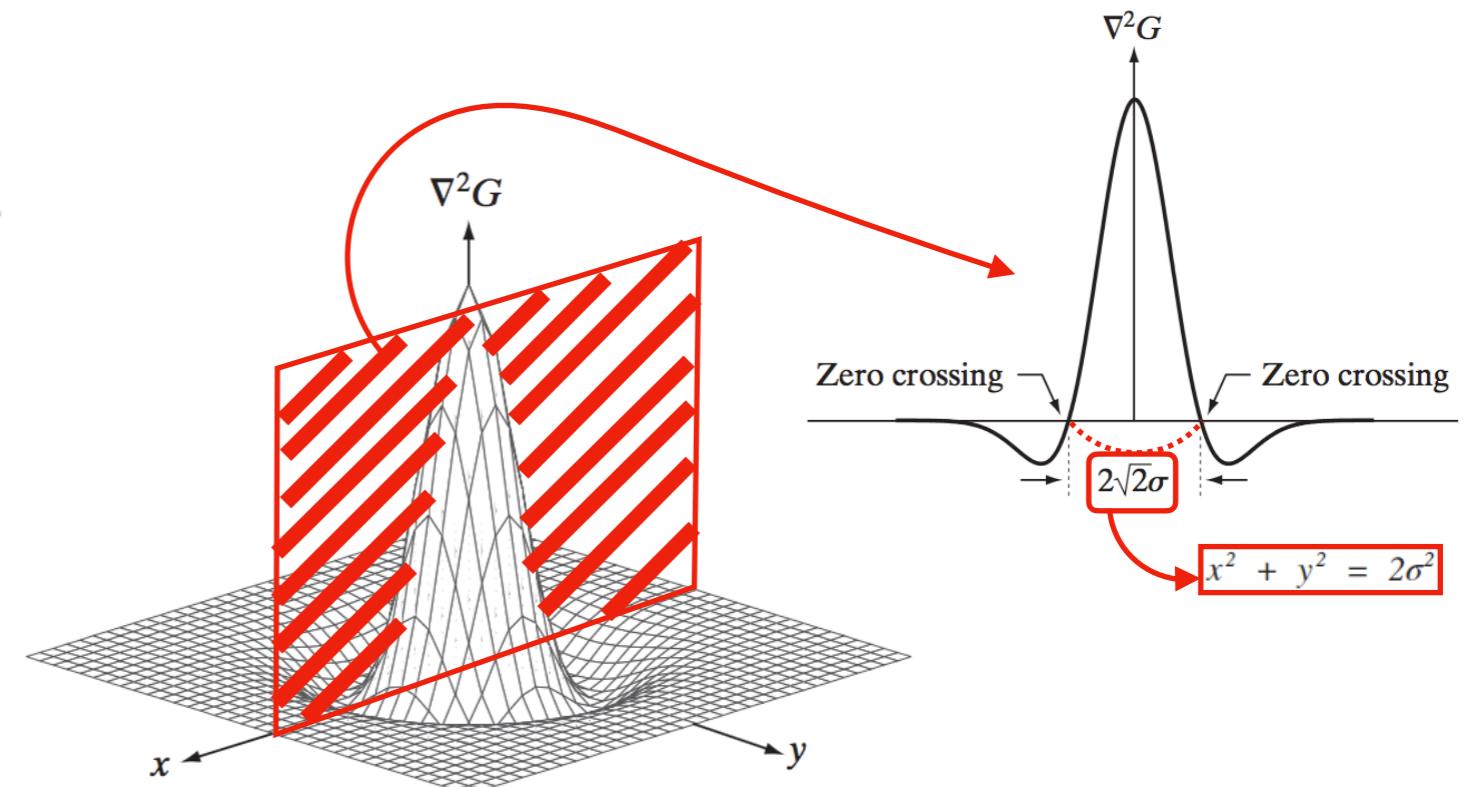
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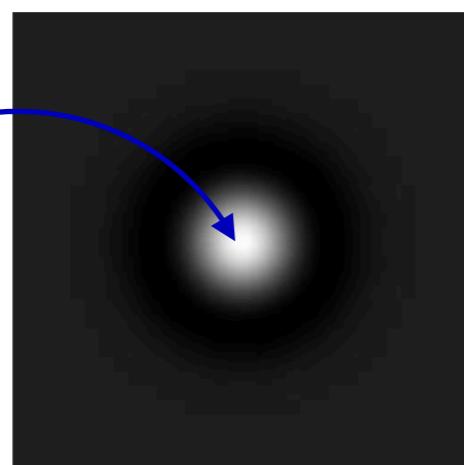
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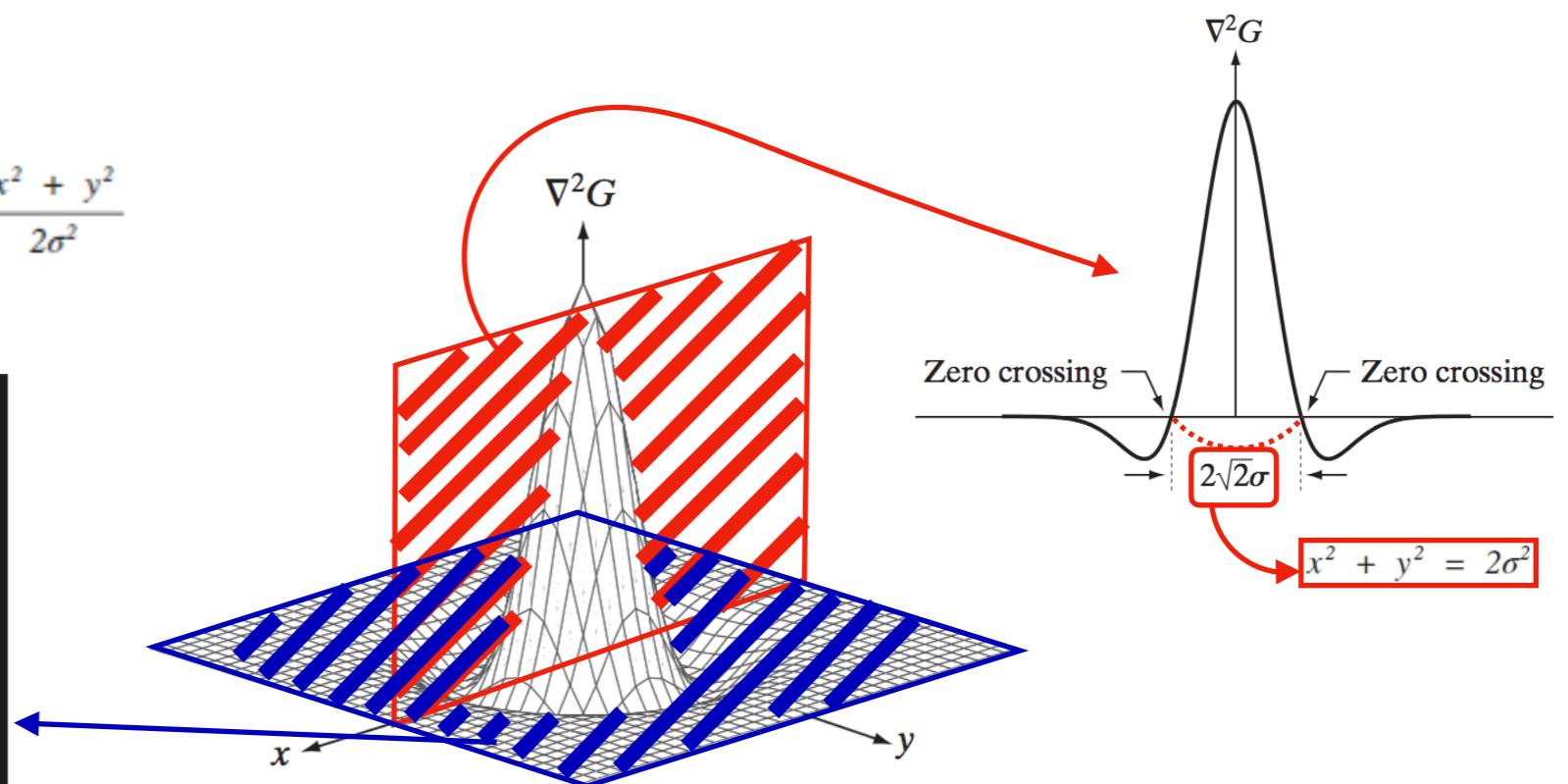
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Coefficients are sum into zero
for response of the mask is zero in areas of constant intensity



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Two Fundamental ideas behind the selection of the LoG operator

- Gaussian part of the operator blurs the image, thus reducing the intensity of structures at scales much smaller than std value
 - * Smooth in both the spatial and frequency domains, with less likely to introduce artifacts
- Second derivative filter
 - * Important advantage of being isotropic
(responds equally to changes in intensity in any mask direction)

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1) Filter the input image with an nxn Gaussian low pass filter obtained by sampling $G(x,y) = e^{-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$

2) Compute the Laplacian of the image resulting from step1 using $n \times n$ mask

$$g(x,y) = \nabla^2[G(x,y)*f(x,y)]$$

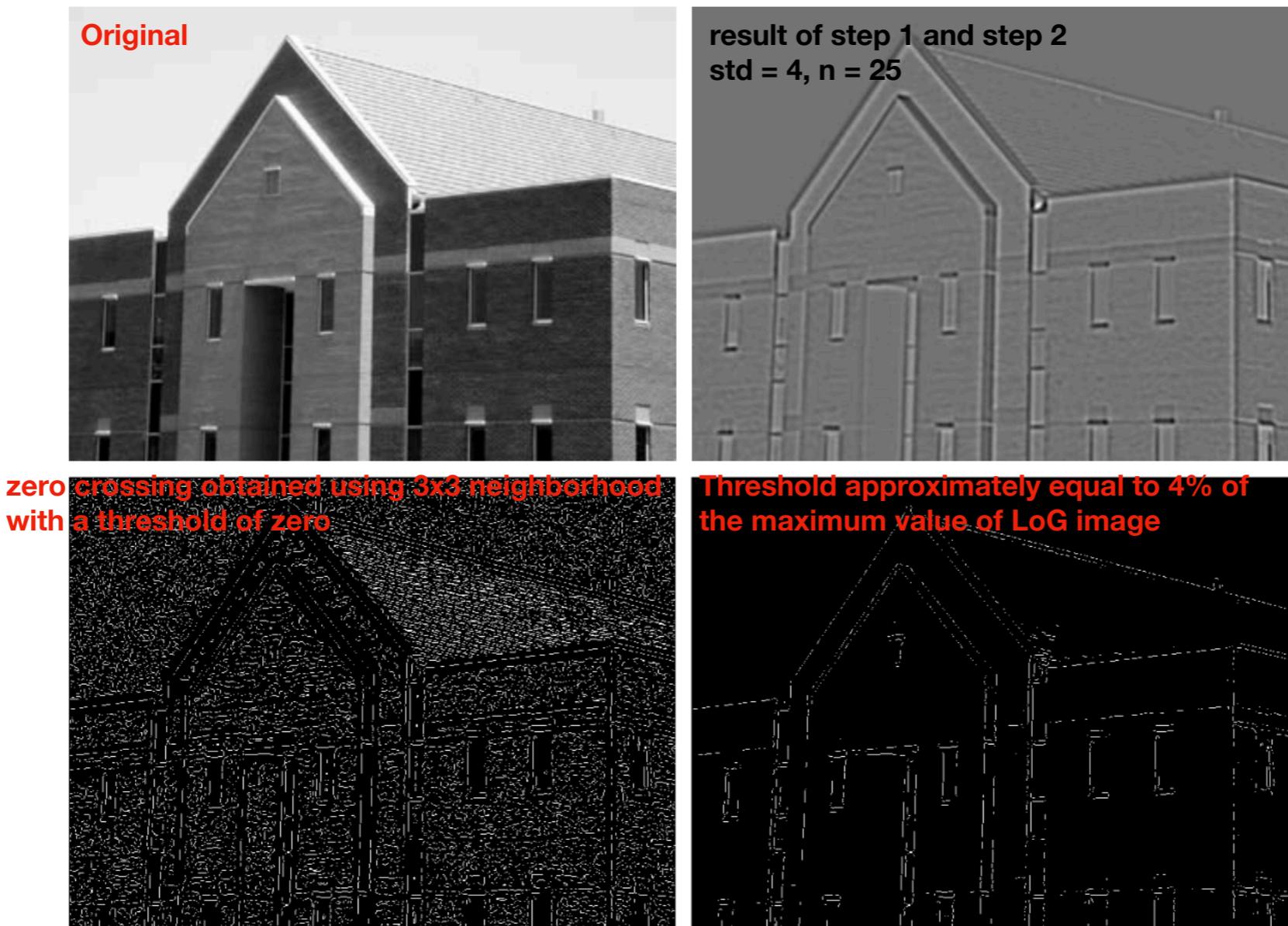
n should be smallest odd integer greater than or equal to $6 * \text{std}$

3) Find the zero-crossings of the image from step2

=> For finding the zero crossing at any pixel p, of the filtered image g(x,y),
Use mxm neighborhood centered at p

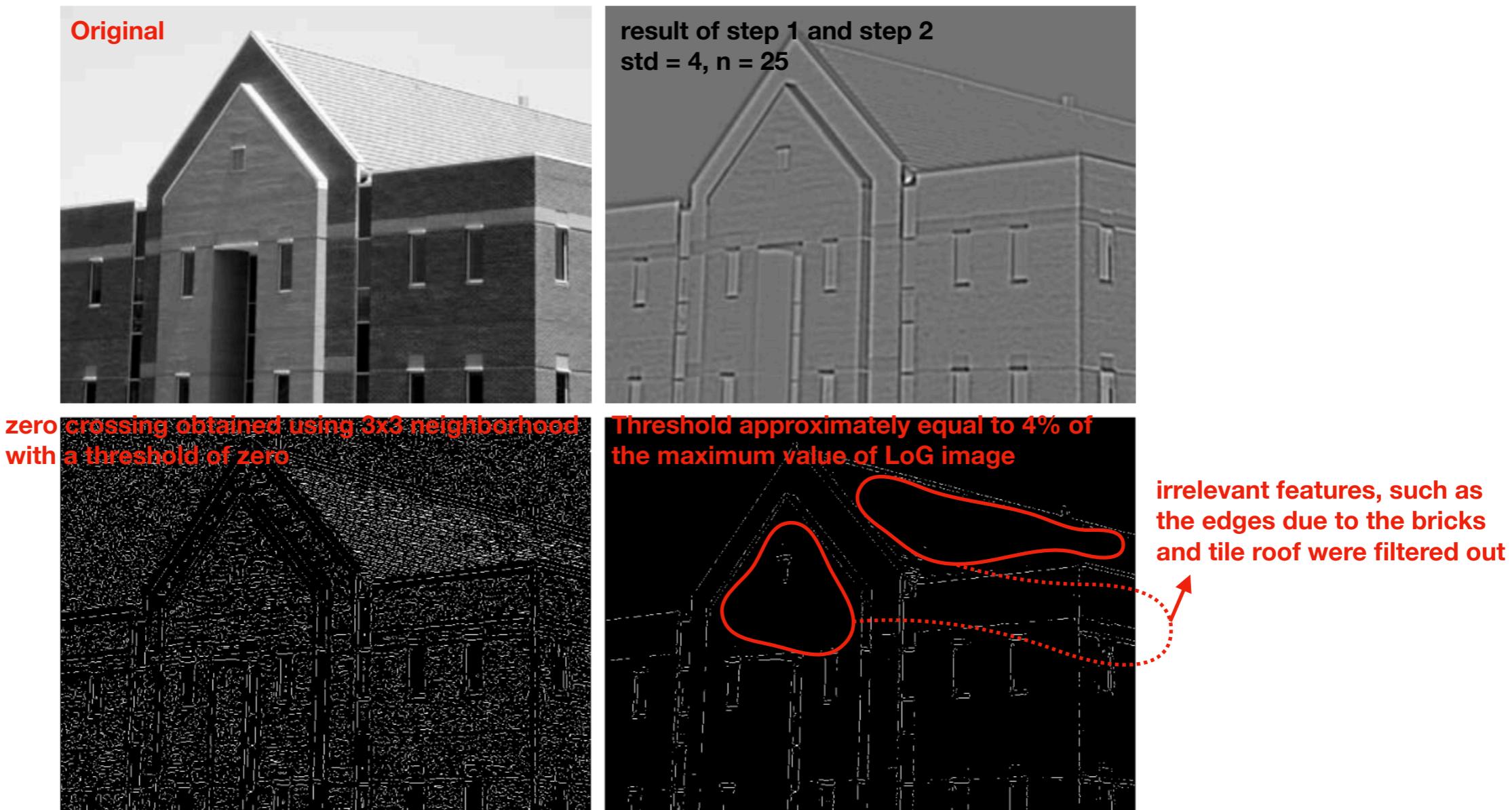
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 - > Approximate LoG filter by DoG(Difference of Gaussians)

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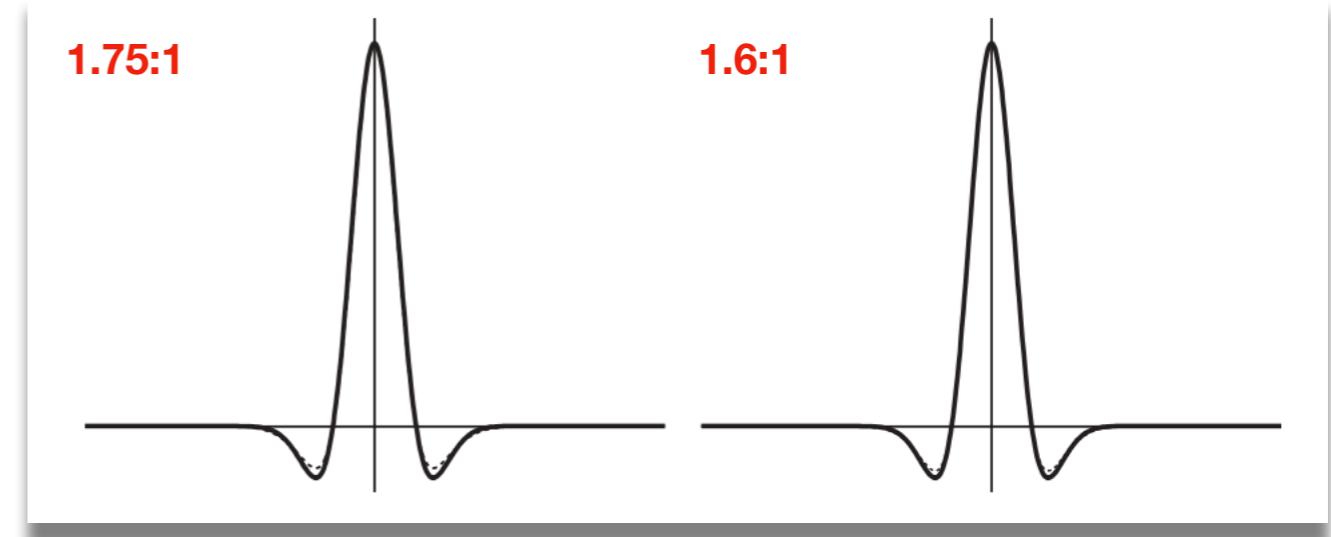
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- > Canny Edge Detector

- => More complex algorithm

- => Performance is superior in general to the edge detectors thus far

- * Basic Objectives of Canny edge detection

- Low error rate

- : Detected edges must be as close as possible to the true edges

- Edge points should be well localized

- : Located edges must be as close as possible to the true edges

- Single edge point response

- : Detector should return only one point for each true edge point

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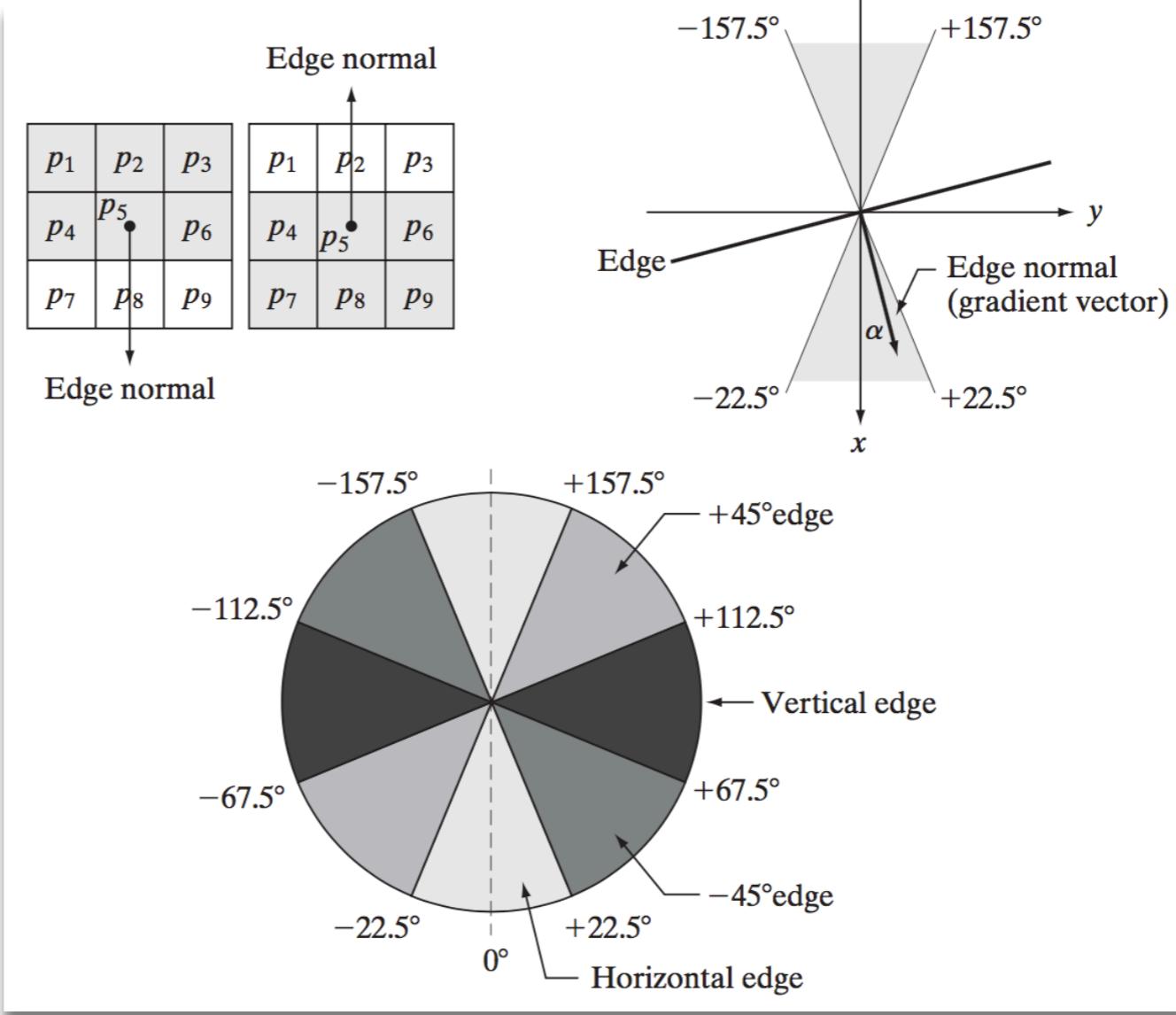
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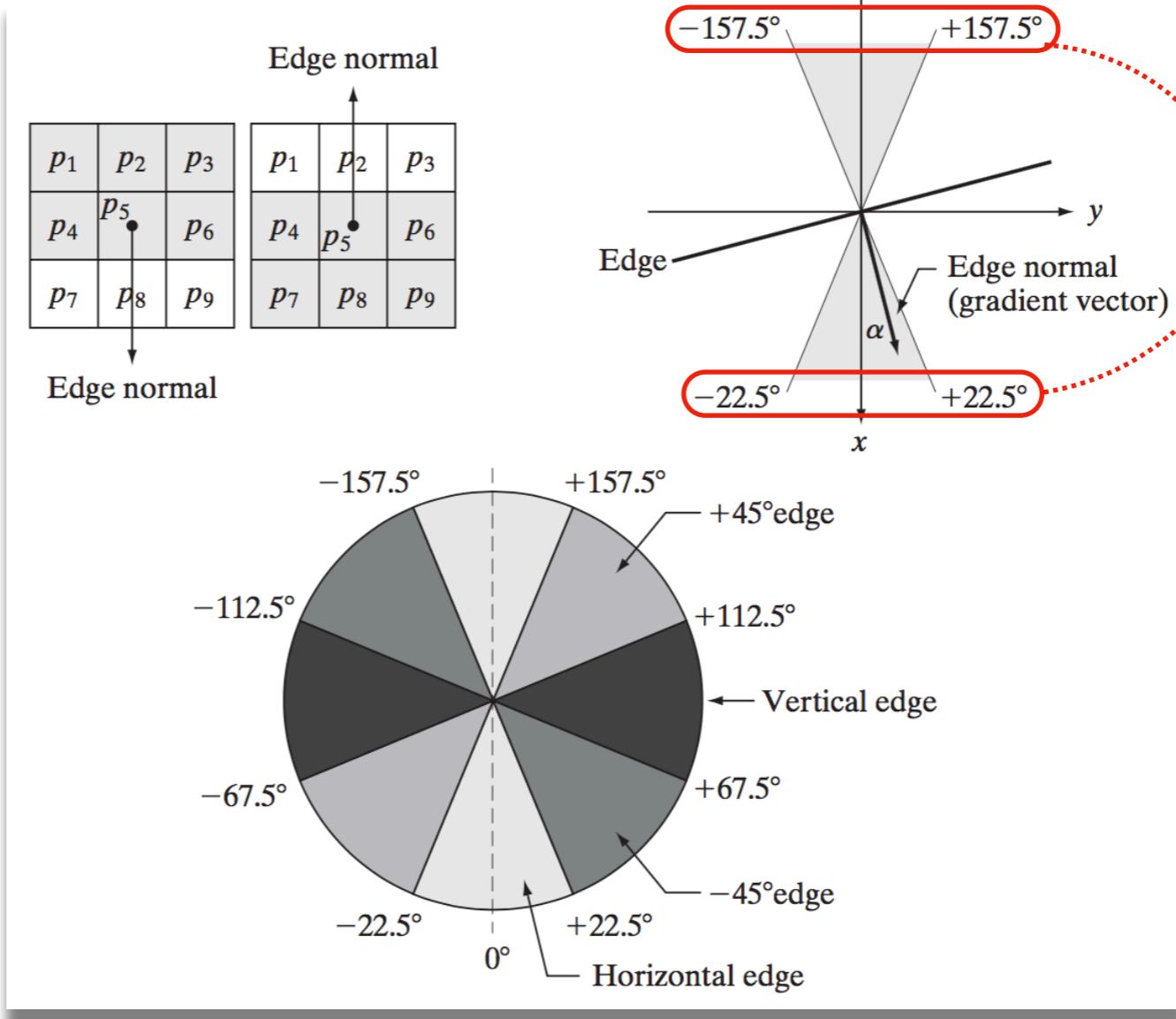
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Find the direction d_k that is closest to $\alpha(x,y)$



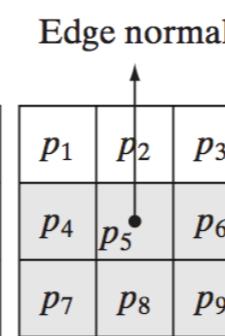
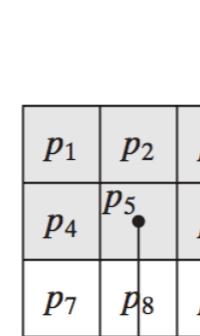
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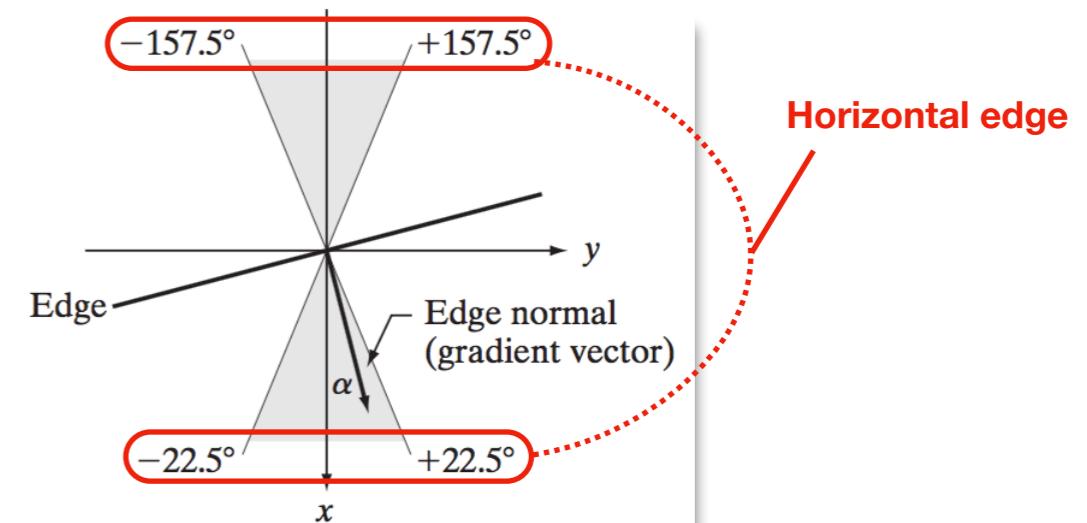
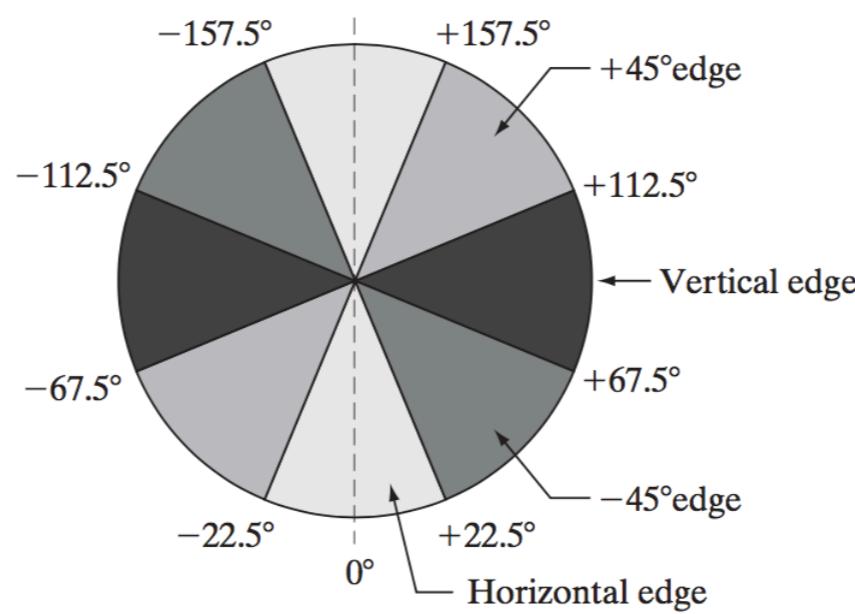


If $(M(x,y) < \text{at least one of its two neighbors along } dk)$

let $gn(x,y) = 0$; (suppression)

otherwise

let $gn(x,y) = M(x,y)$



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$$g_{NL}(x,y) = g_N(x,y) \geq T_L$$

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$$g_{NL}(x,y) = g_{NL}(x,y) - g_{NH}(x,y)$$

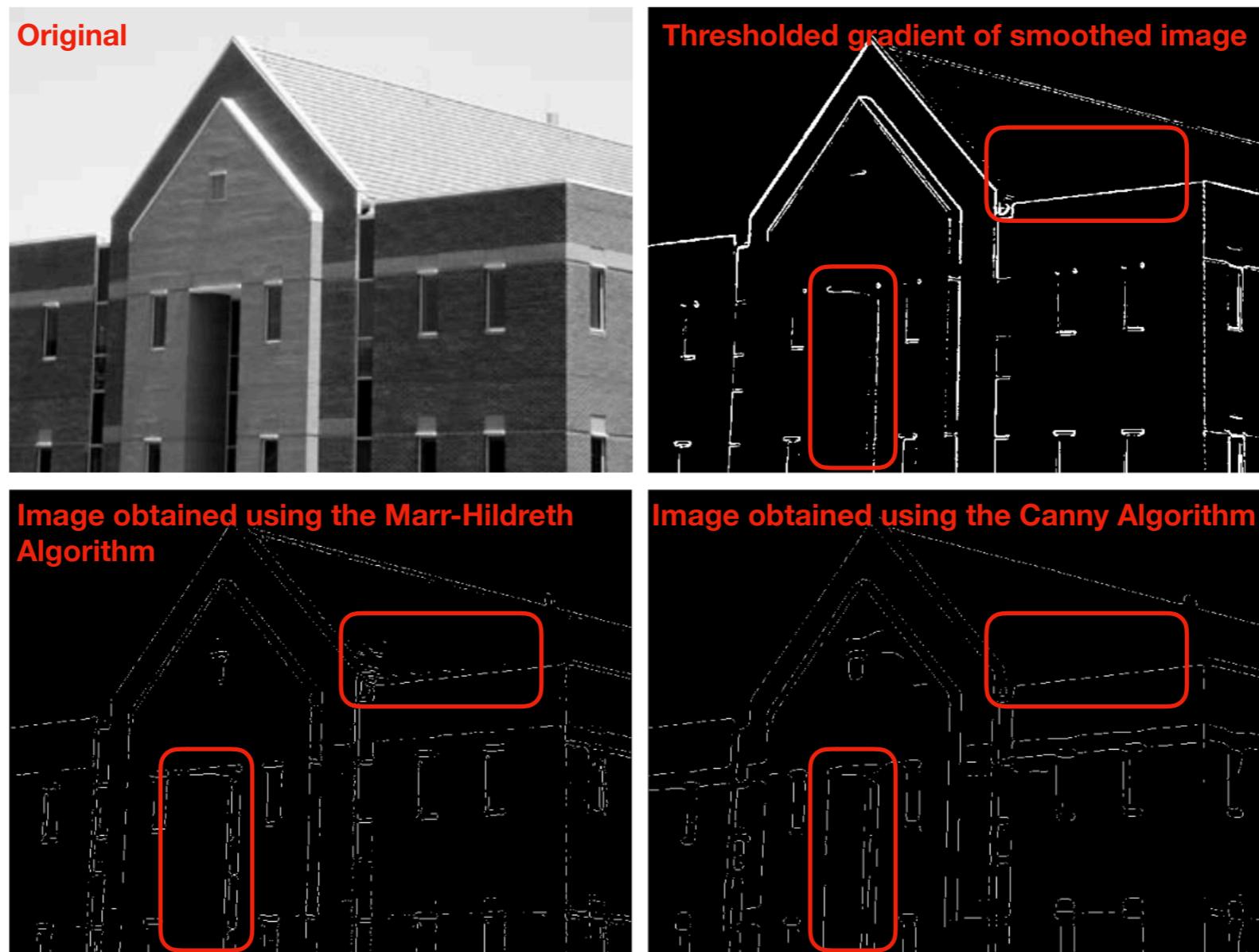
Weak edge pixels Strong edge pixels

- (3) Take all strong pixels to be valid edge pixels

- a) Locate the next unvisited edge pixel in p in $g_{NH}(x,y)$
- b) Mark as valid edge pixels all the weak pixels in $g_{NL}(x,y)$ that are connected to p using 8-connectivity
- c) If nonzero pixels in $g_{NH}(x,y)$ have been visited
-> goto step d
else return to a
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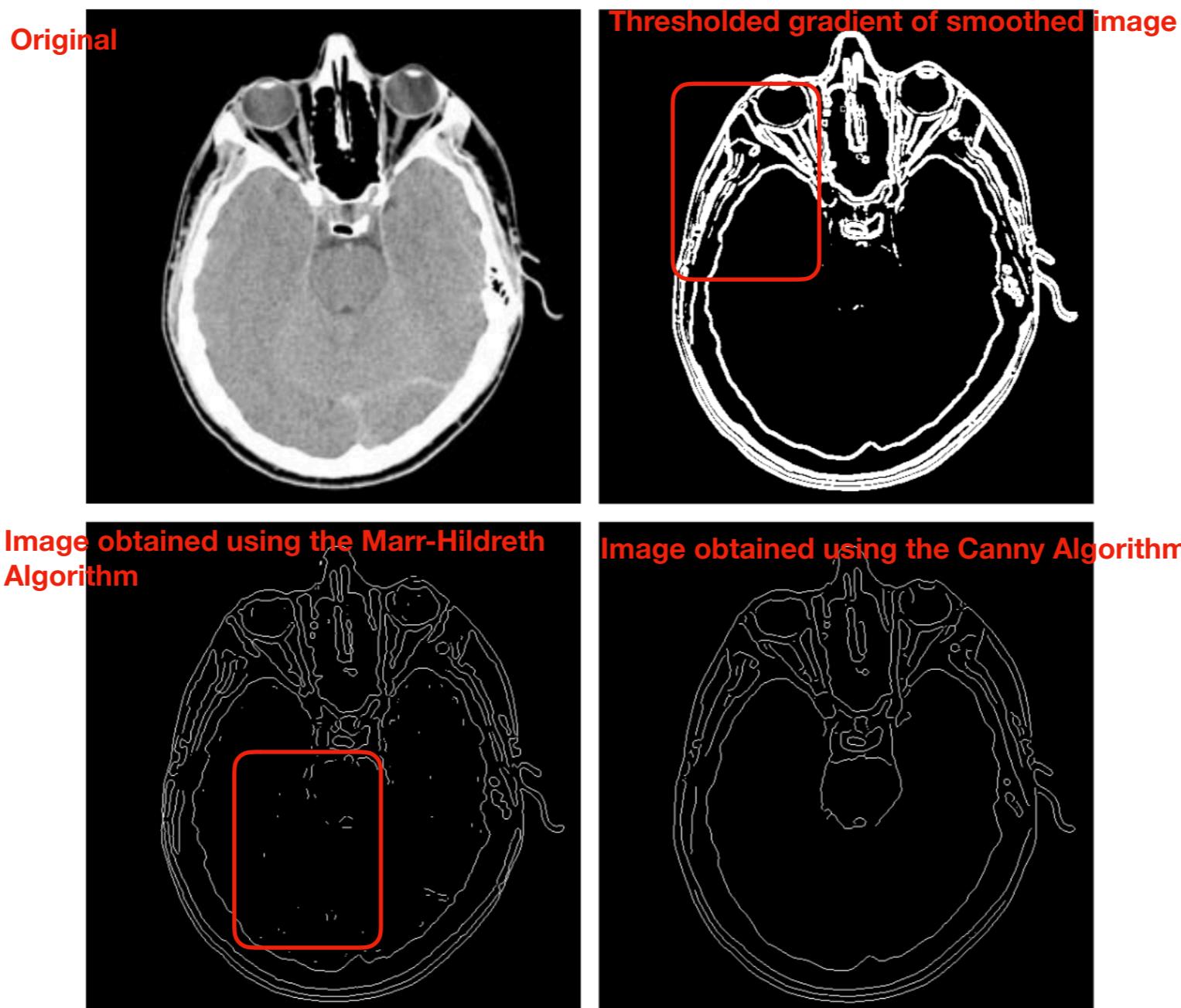
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=> Address these problems by linking algorithms

Assemble edge pixels into meaningful edges and/or region boundaries ...

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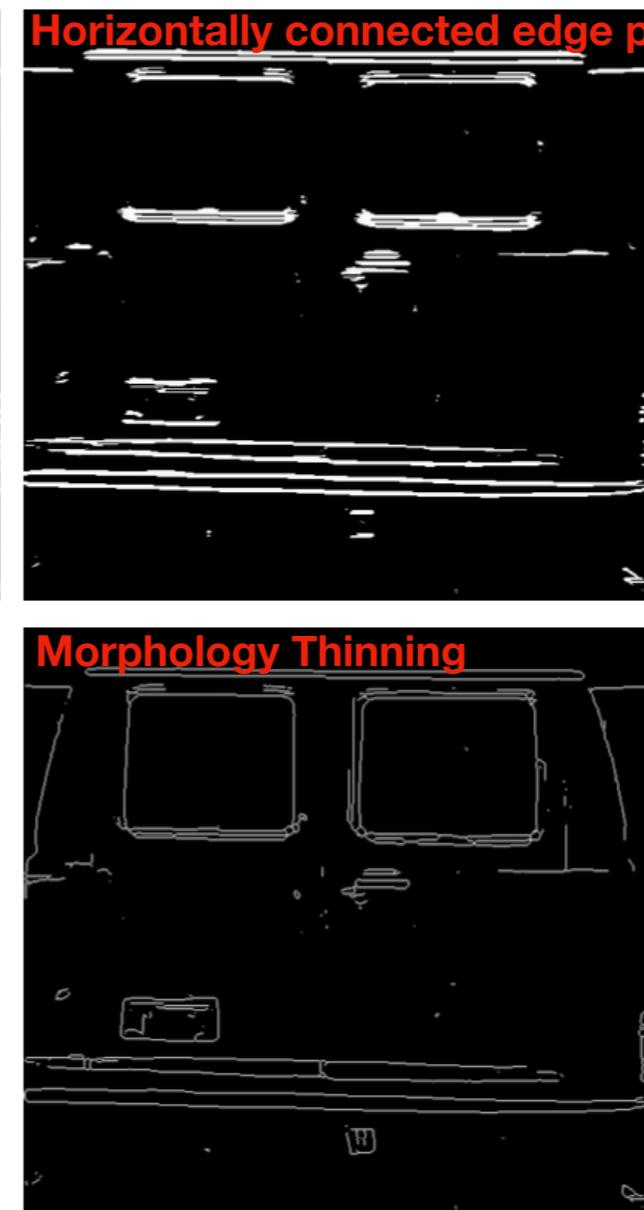
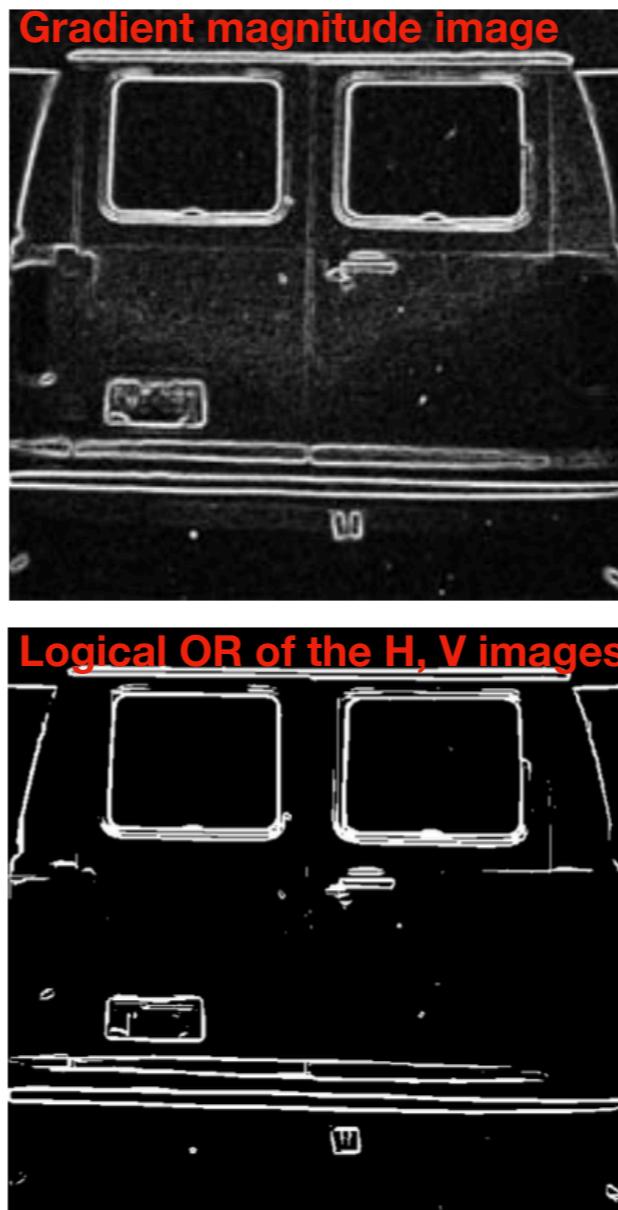
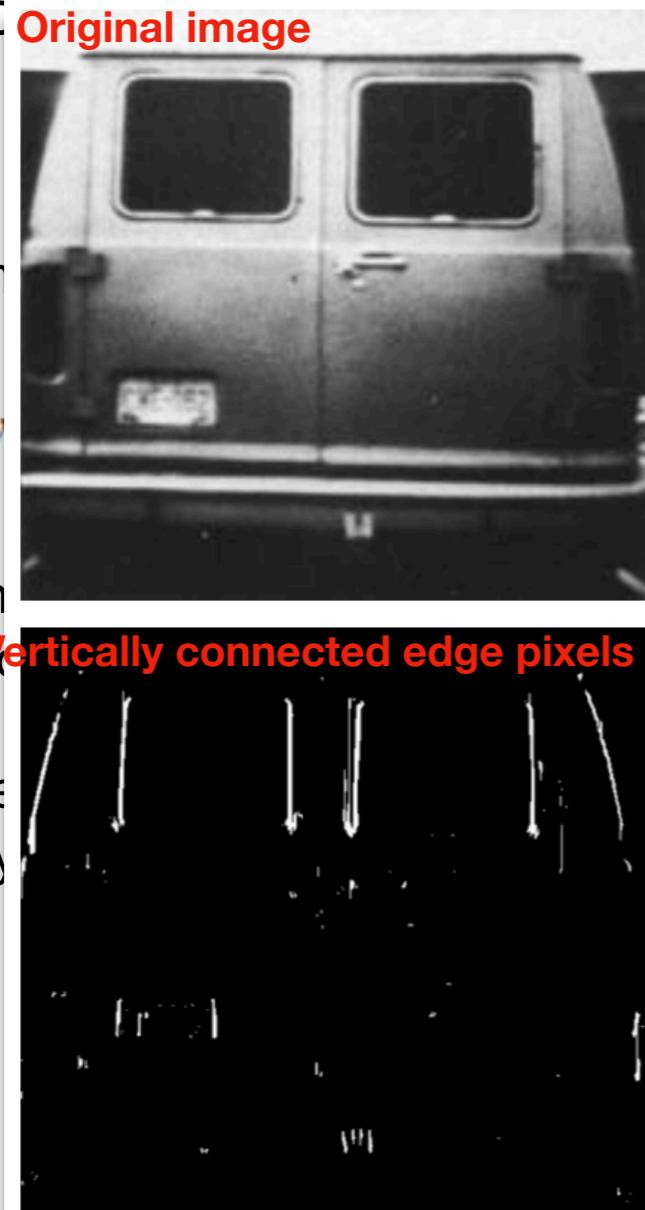
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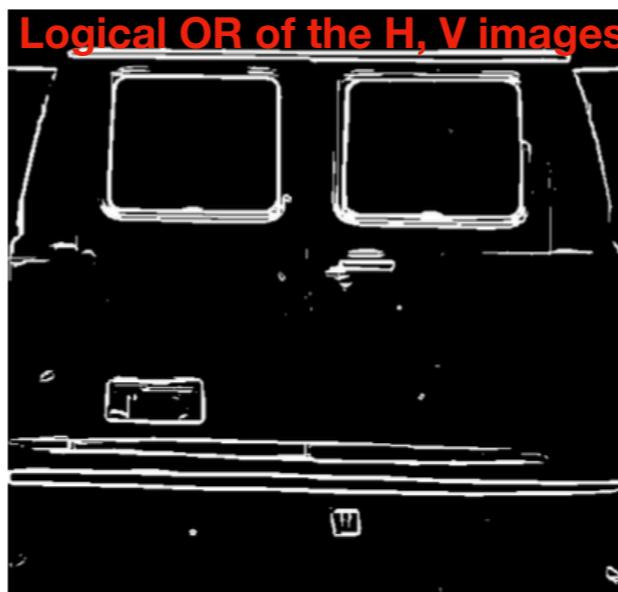
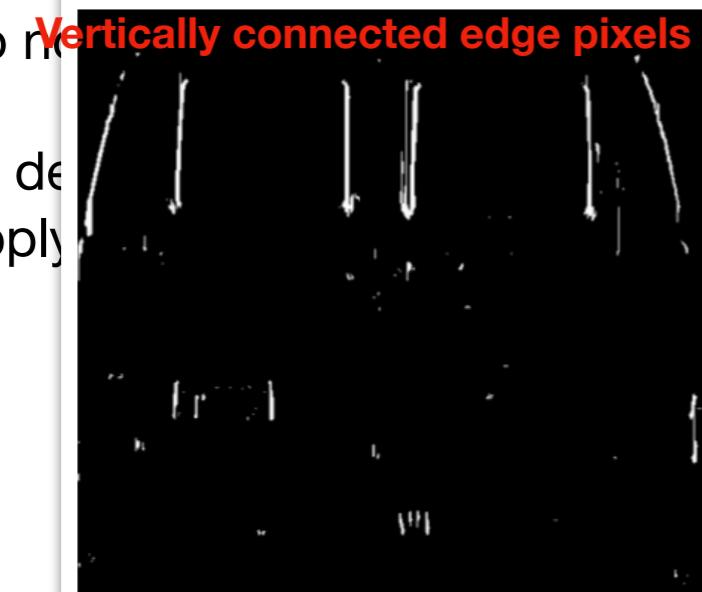
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2) Form

$g(x,y)$

3) Scan

do not



theta

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In the case of location of regions of interest in an image are known,

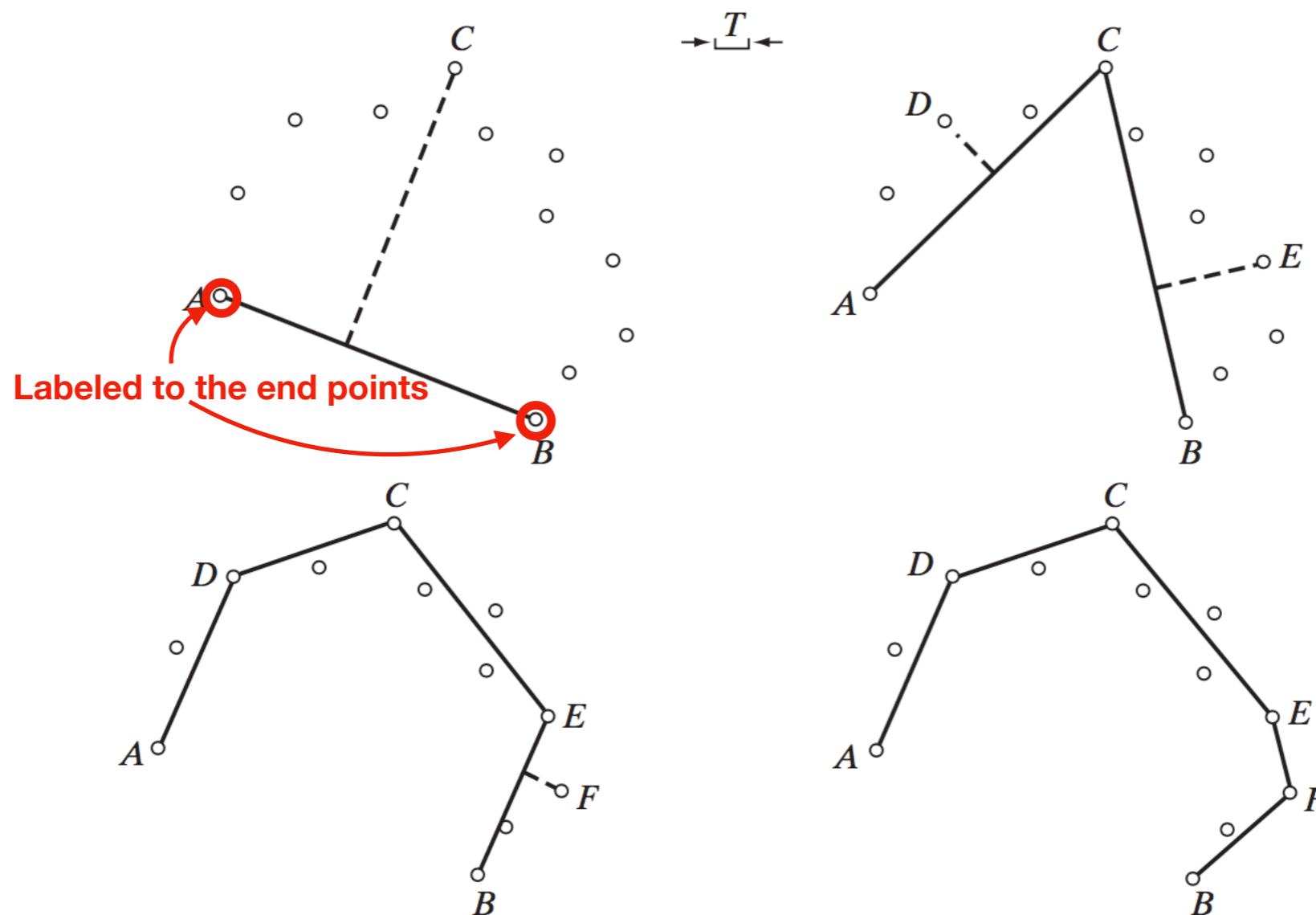
Point, Line, Edge Detection

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In the case of location of regions of interest in an image are known,
=> Use techniques which linking pixels on a regional basis, with the desired result being approximation to the boundary of the region

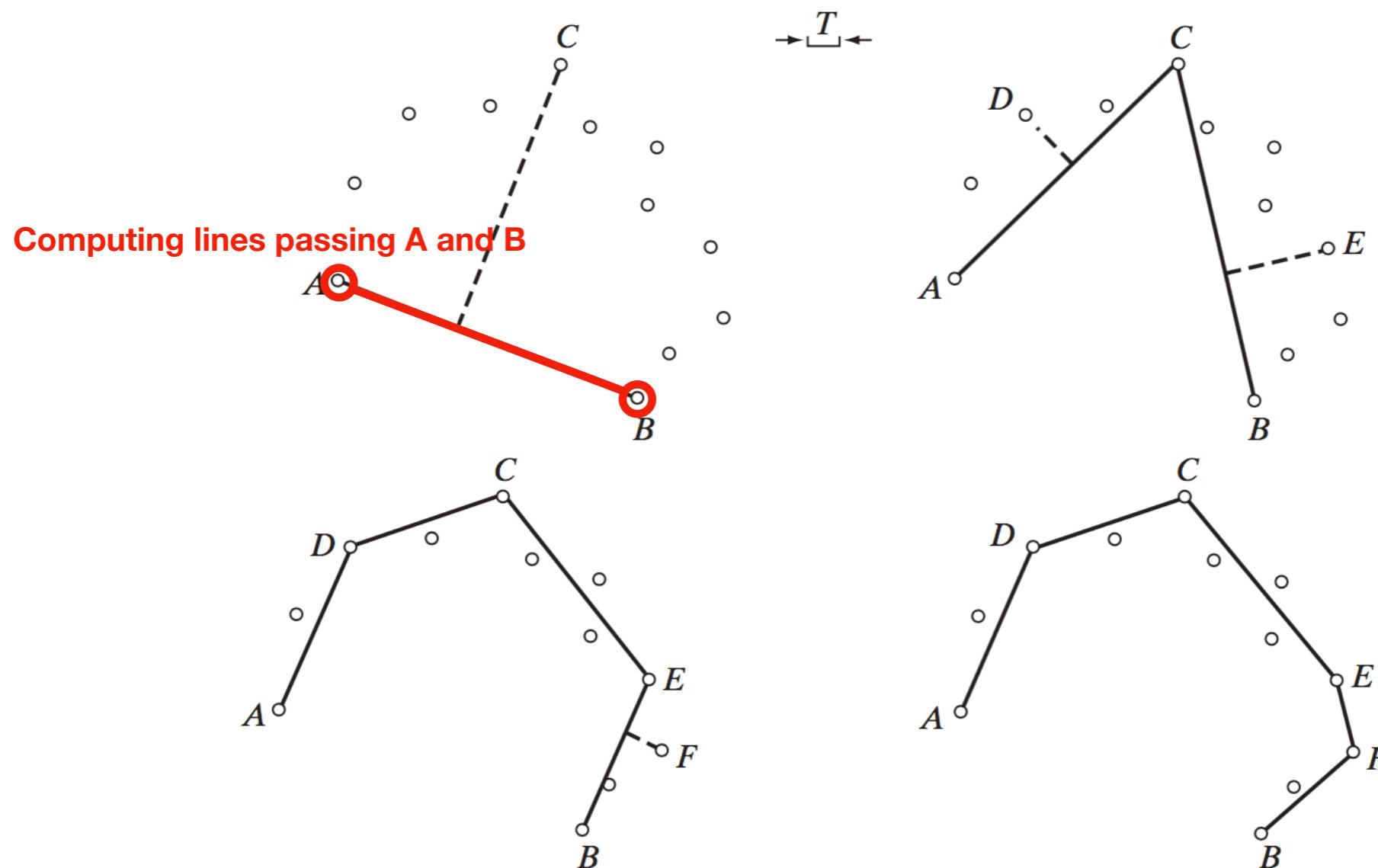
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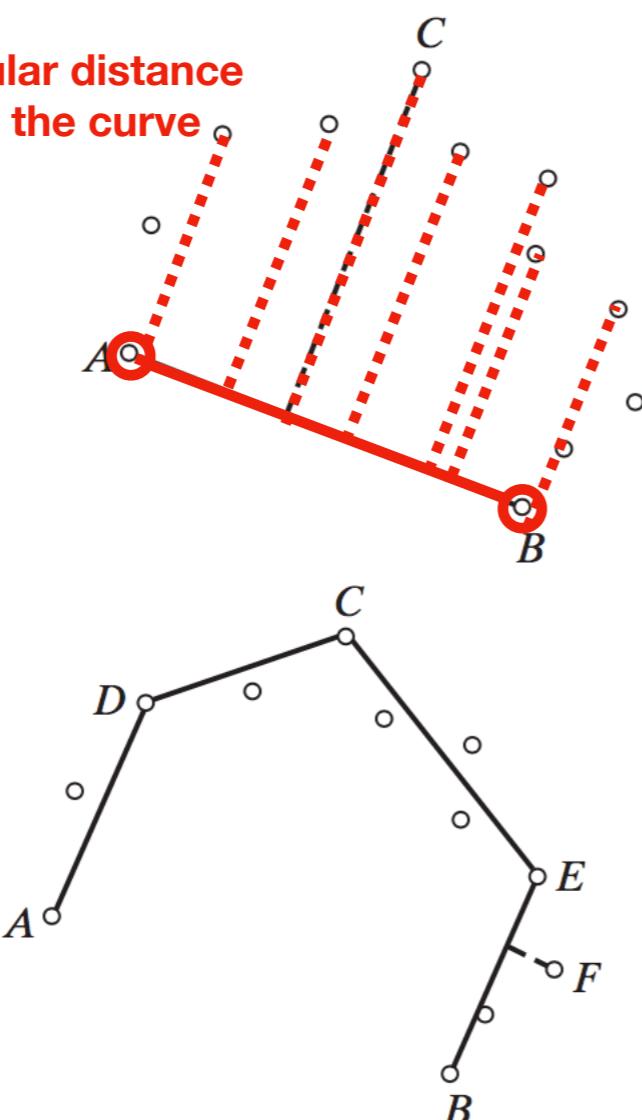
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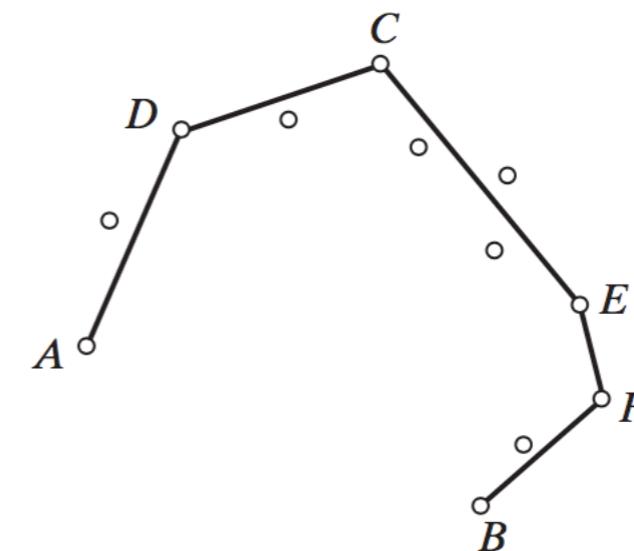
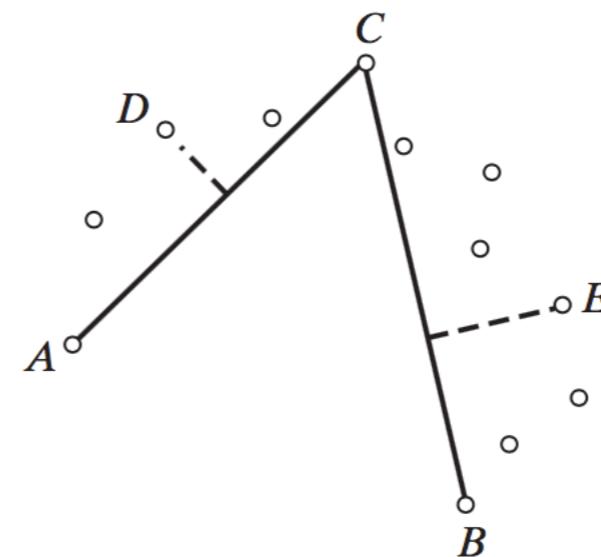
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Compute the perpendicular distance
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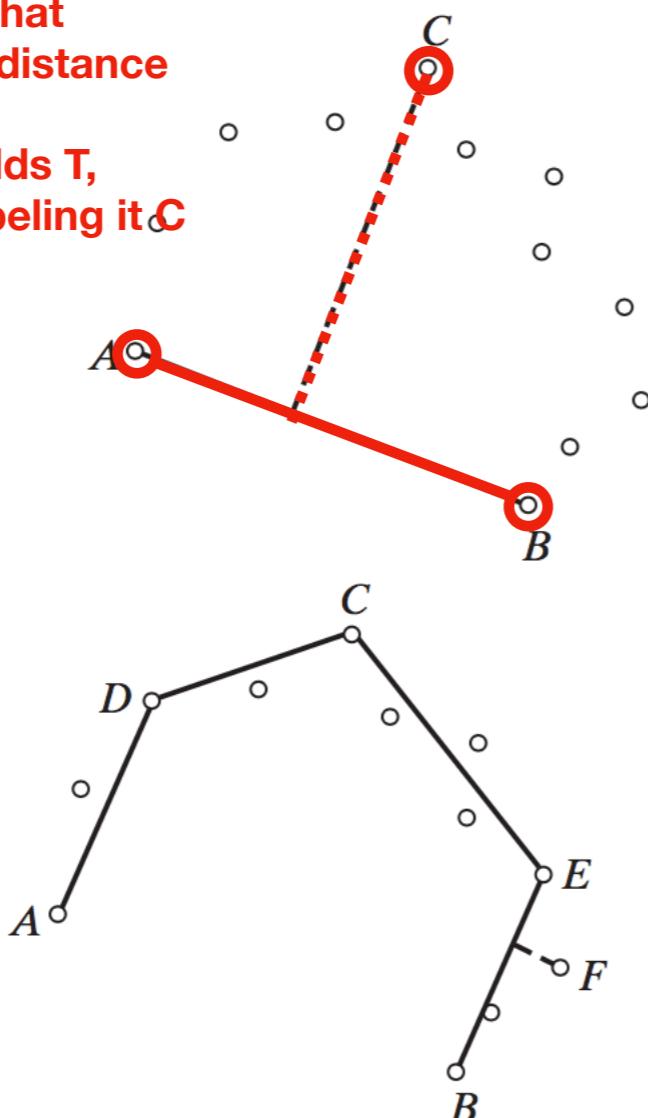


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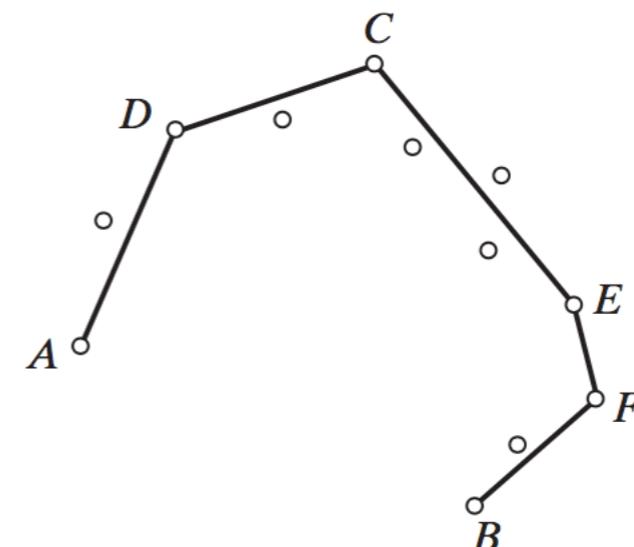
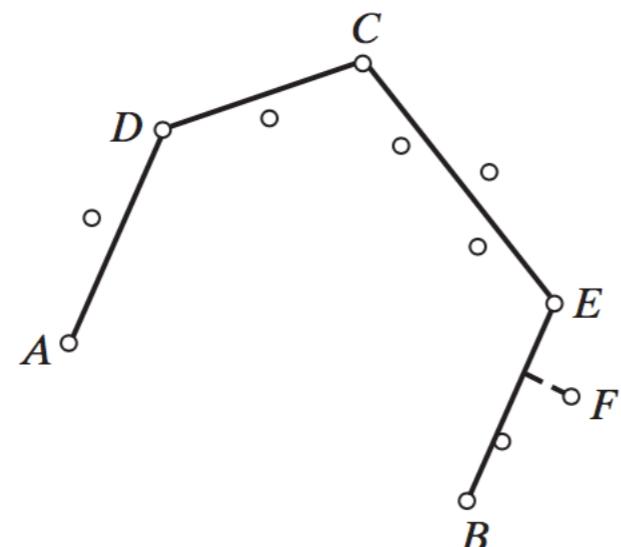
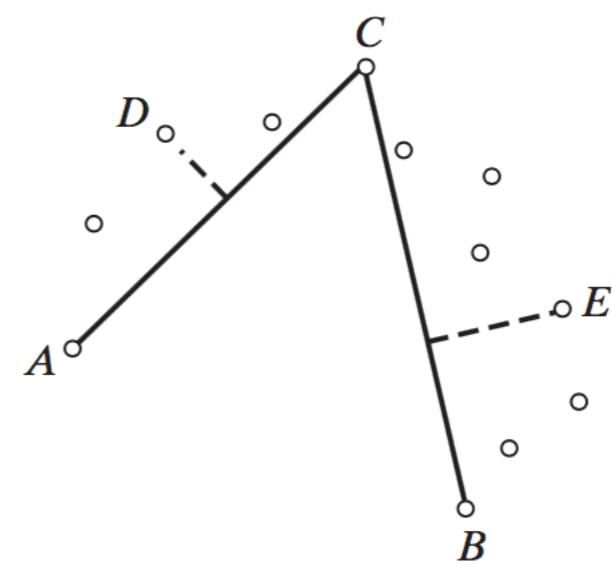
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Select the point that yielded the maximum distance

if exceeds thresholds T , declare the point by labeling it C

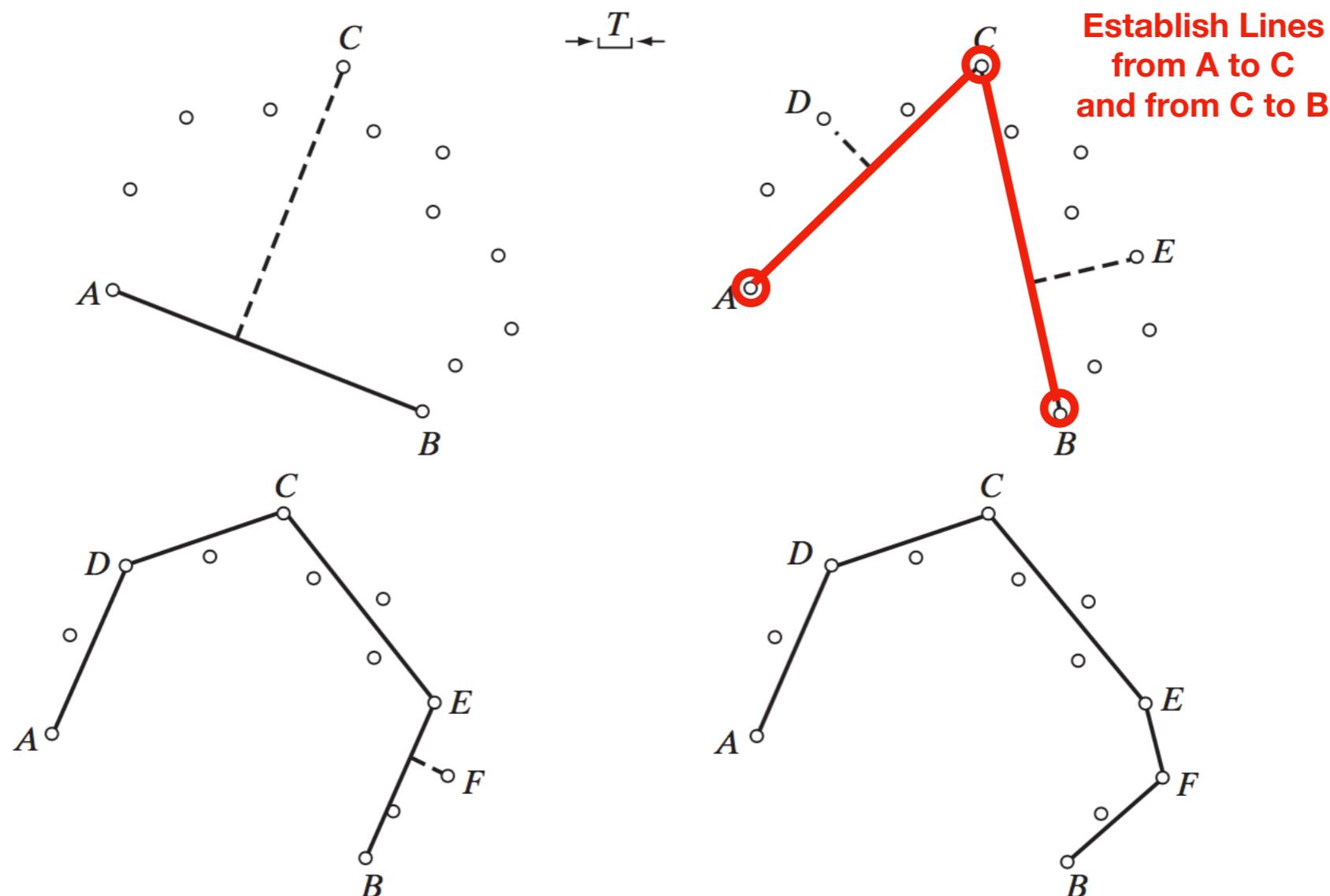


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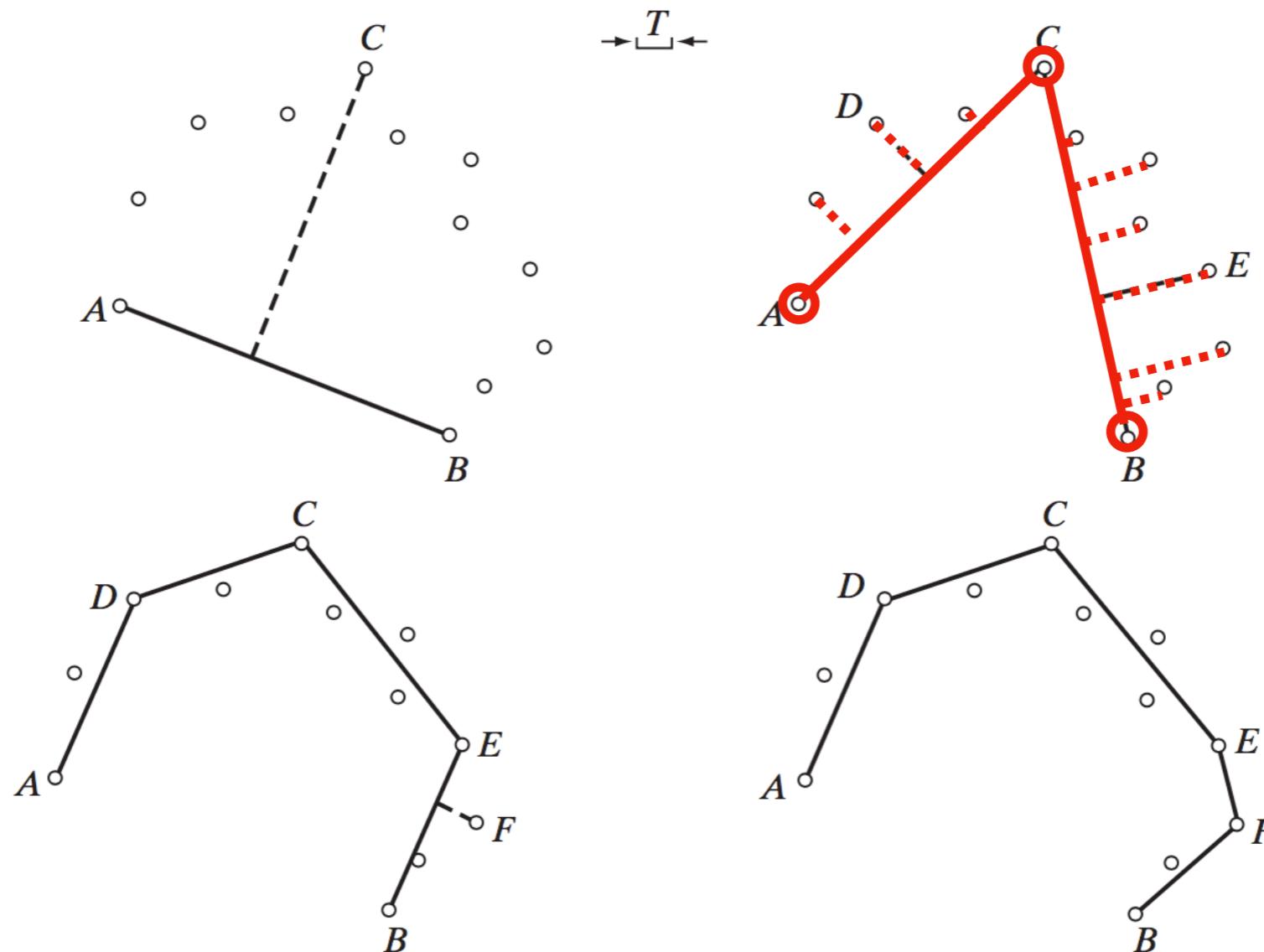
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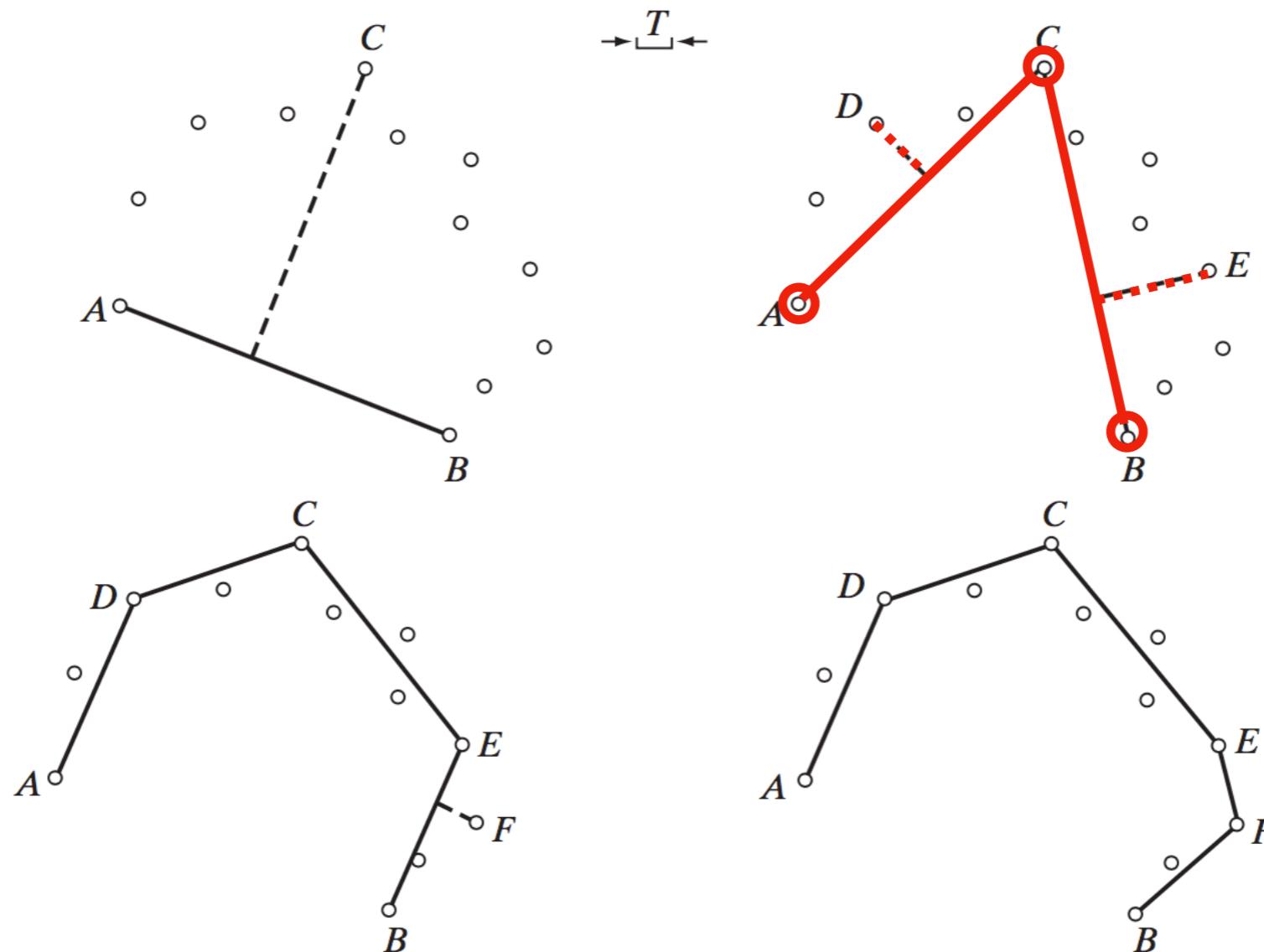
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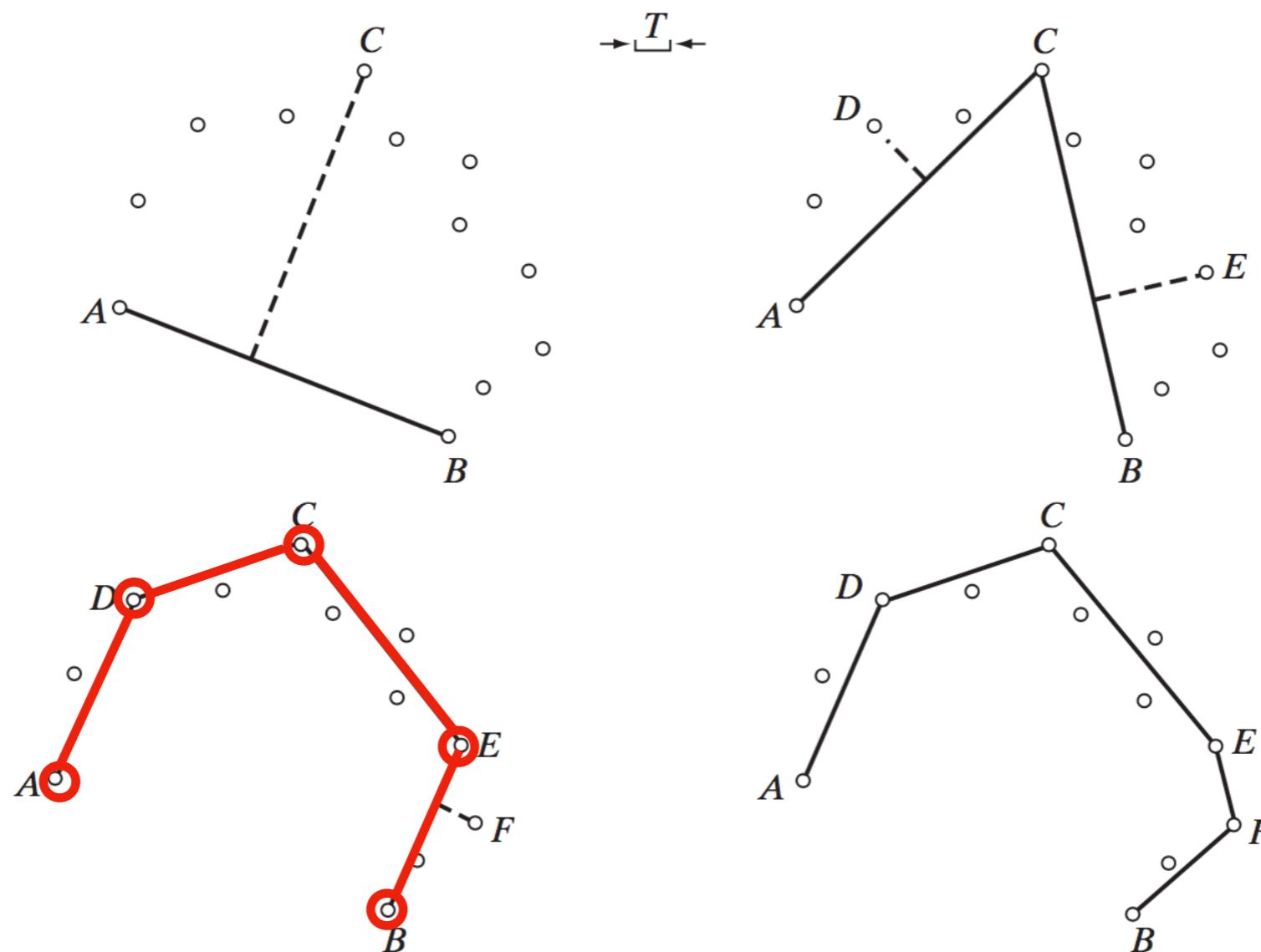
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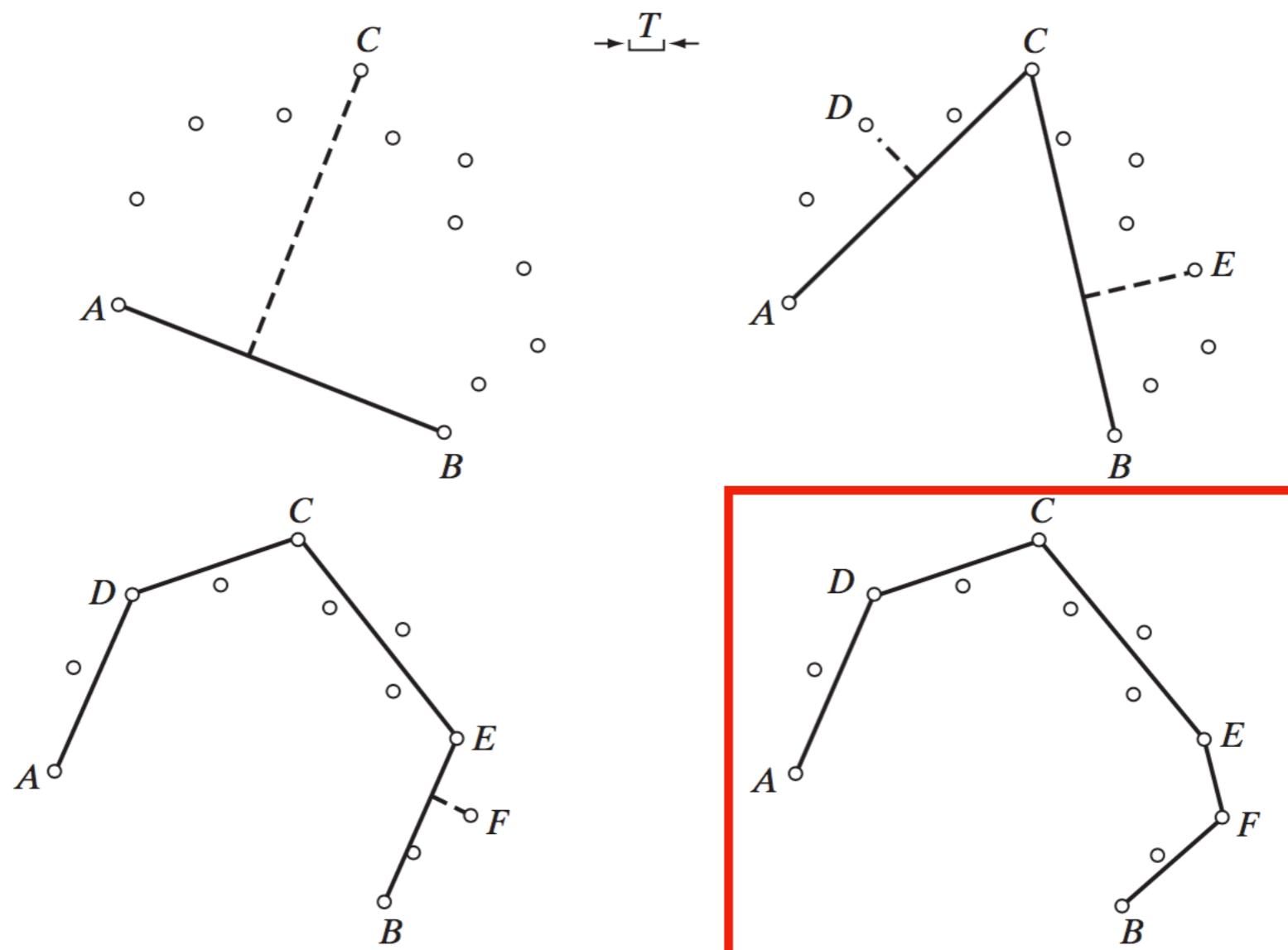
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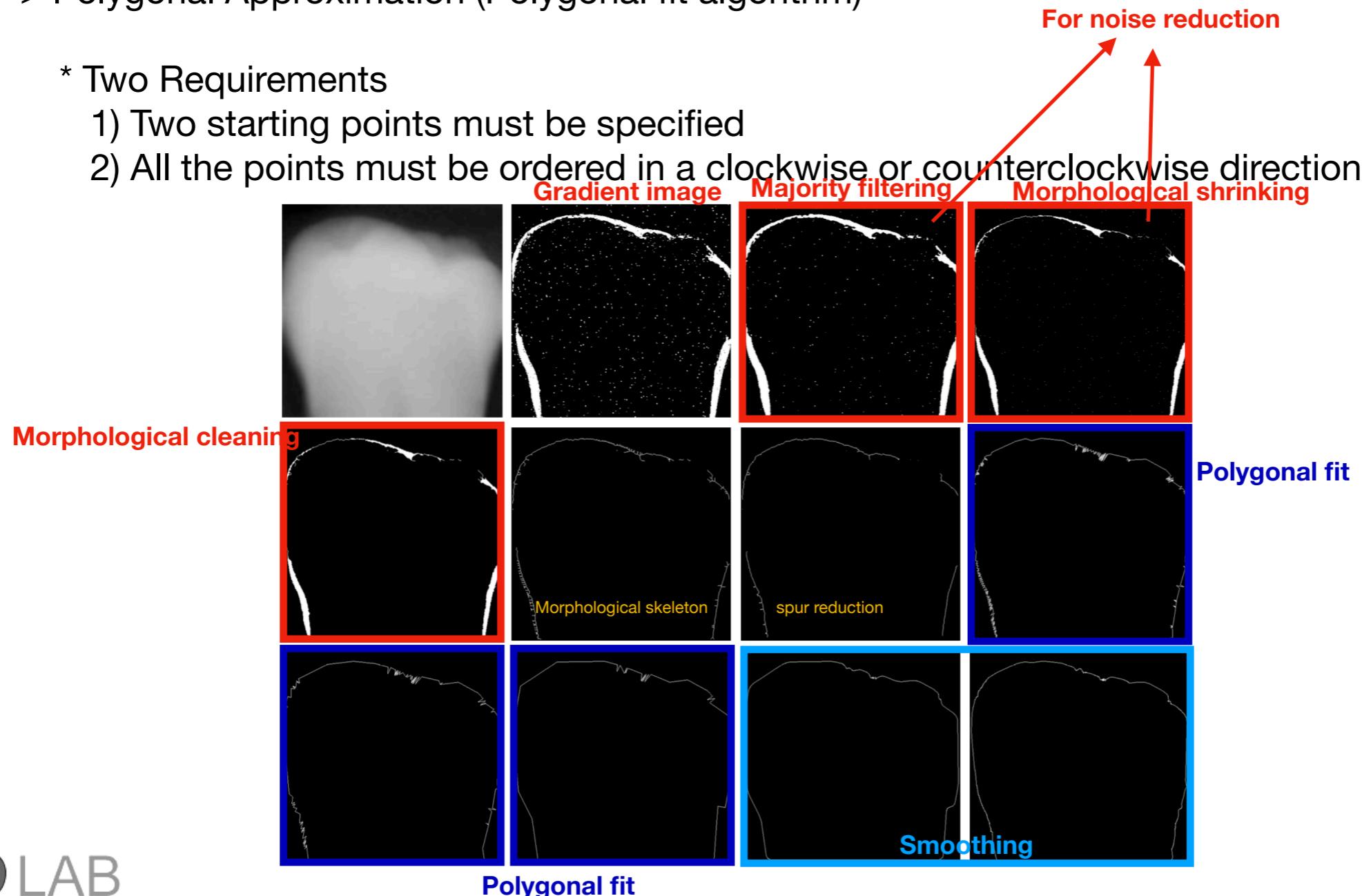
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 - * Two Requirements

 - 1) Two starting points must be specified

 - 2) All the points must be ordered in a clockwise or counterclockwise direction



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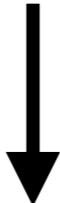
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Converting equation to a single line for a fixed pair (x_i, y_i)

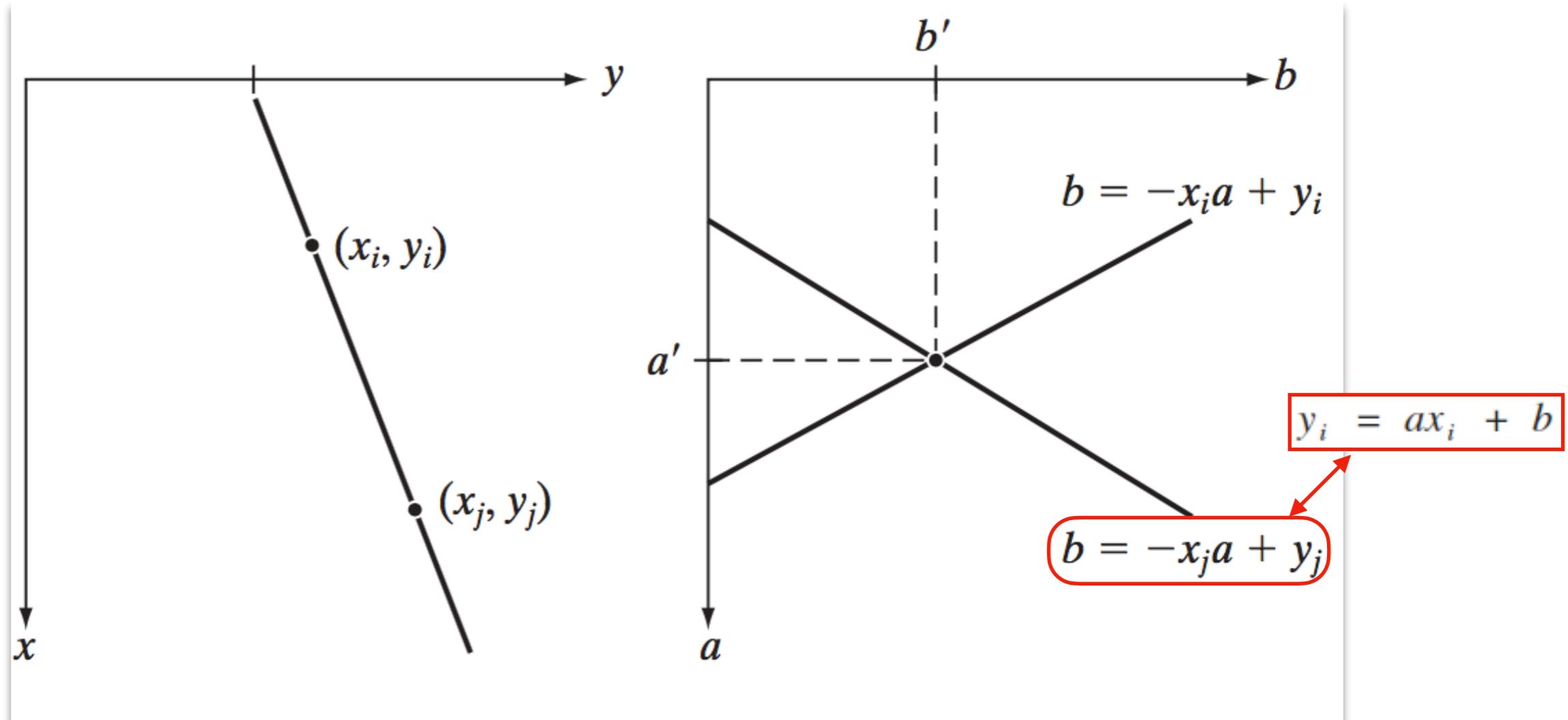
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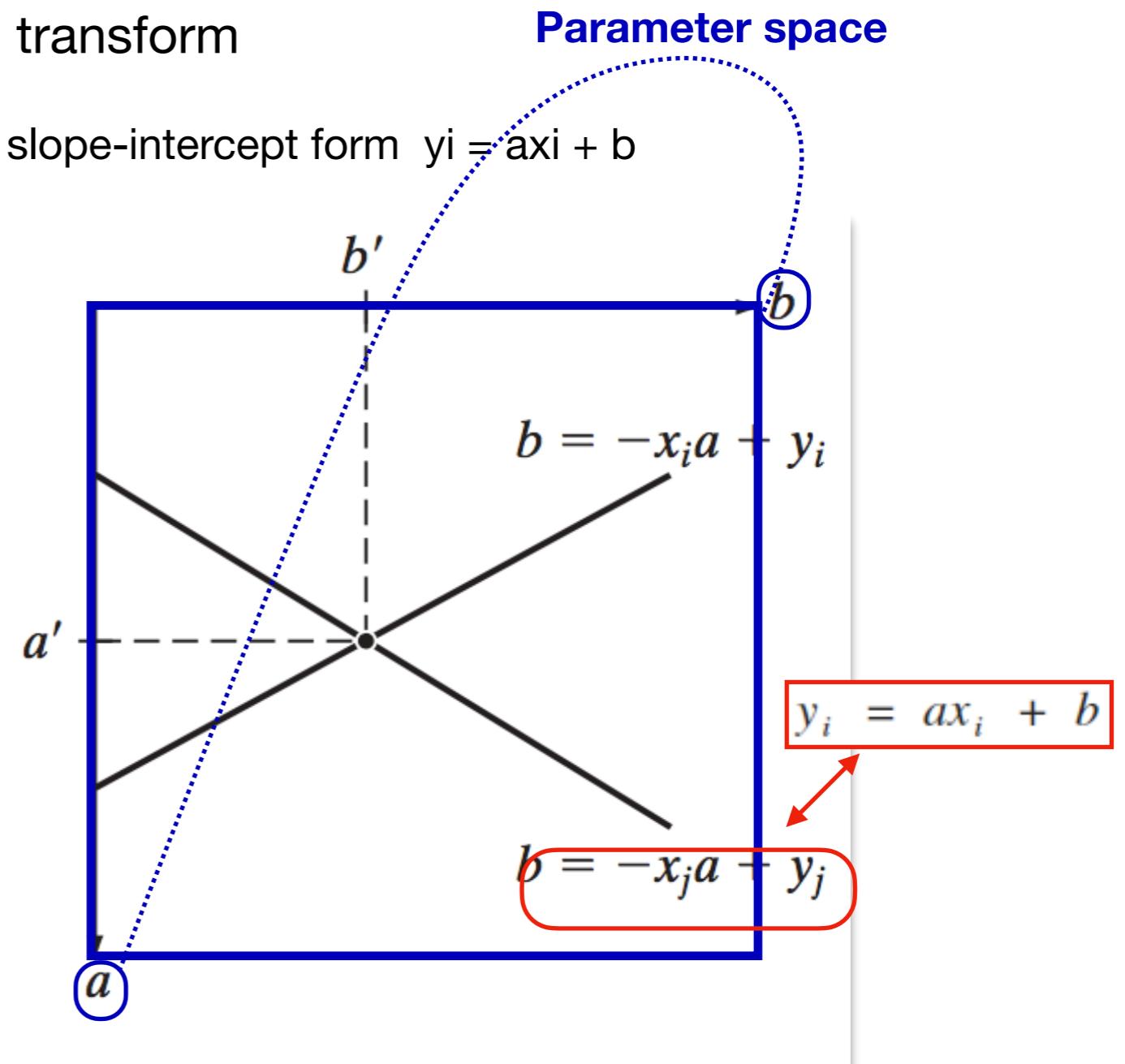
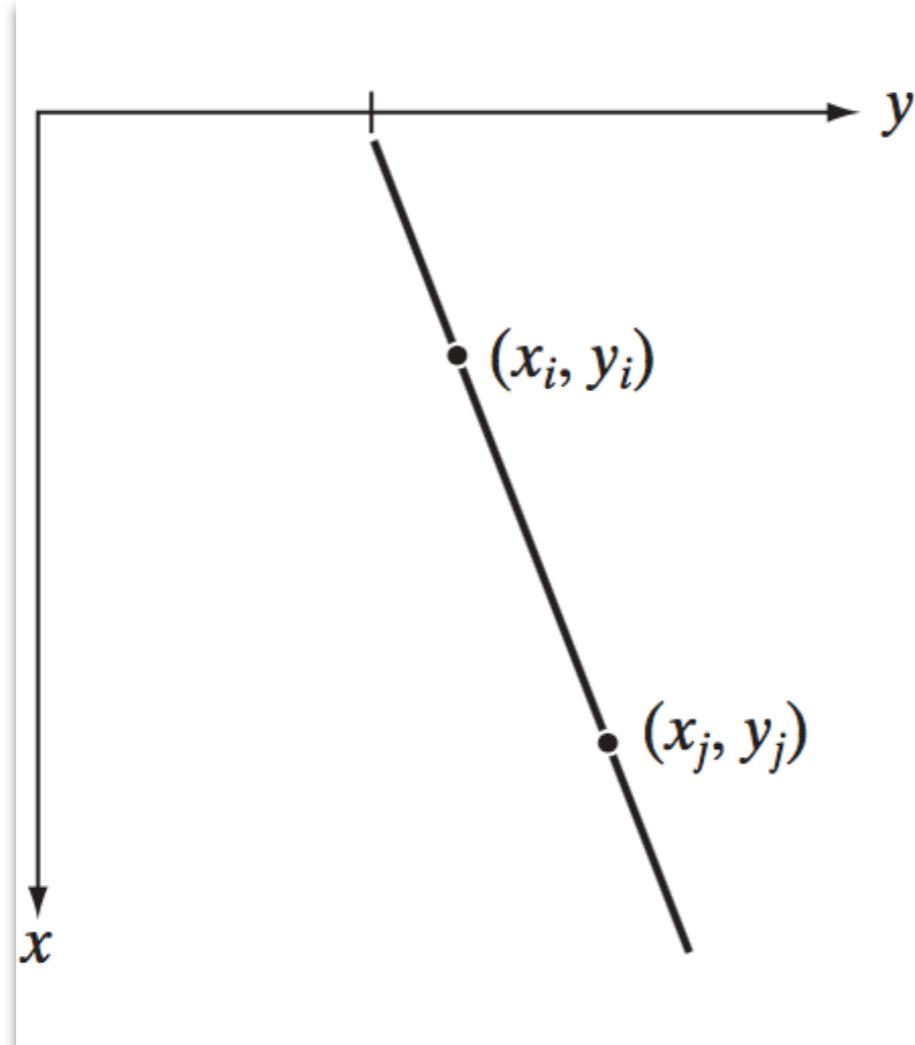
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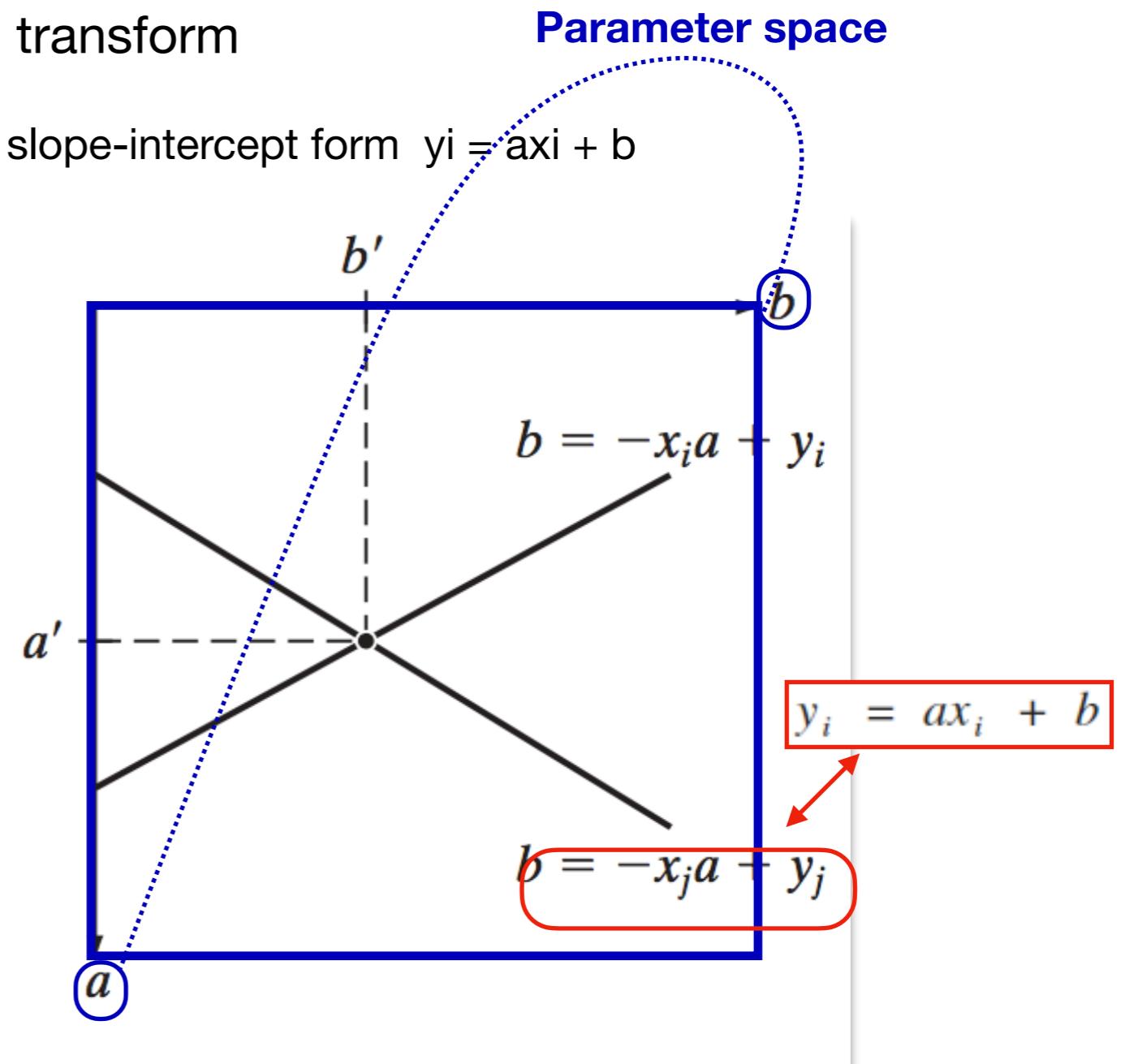
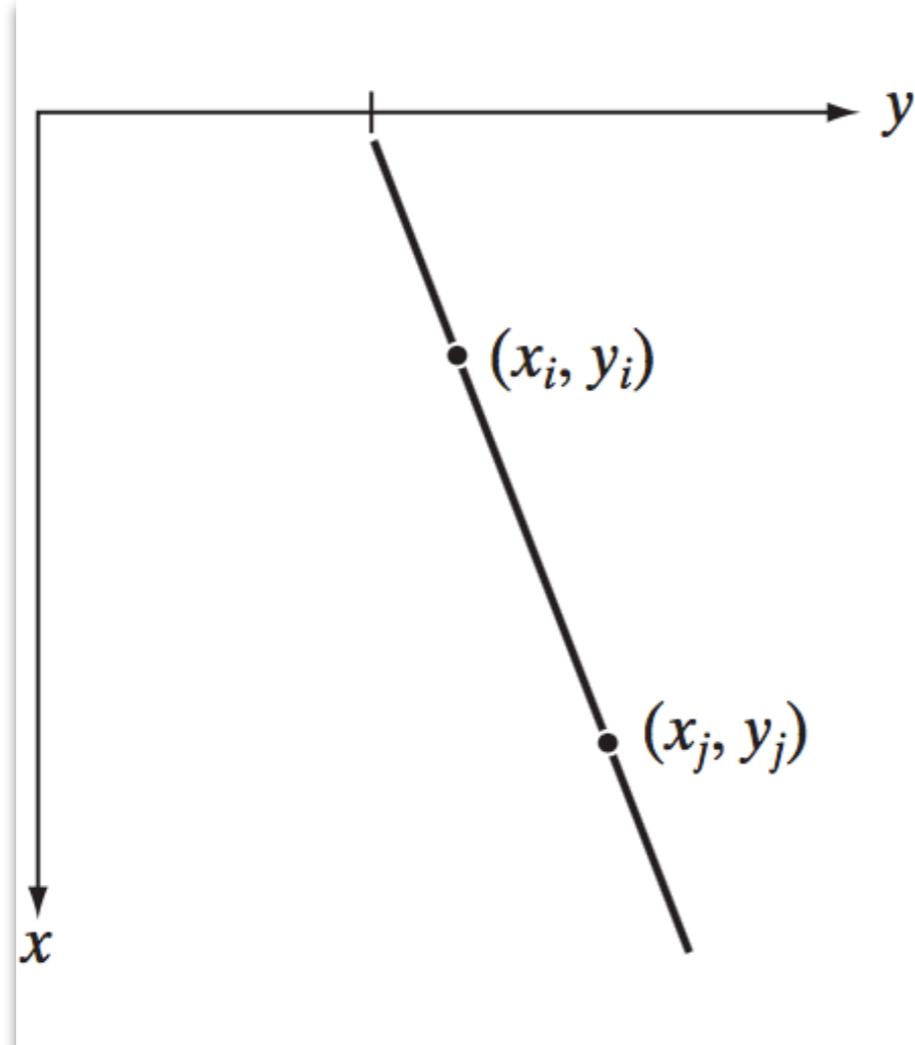
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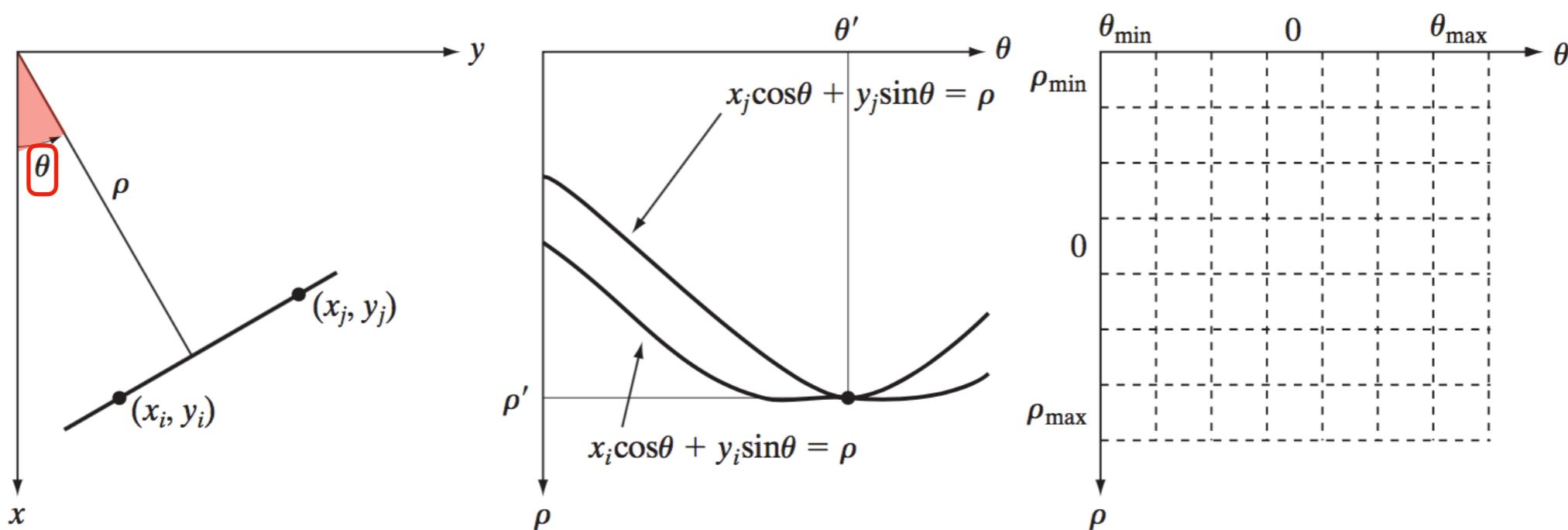
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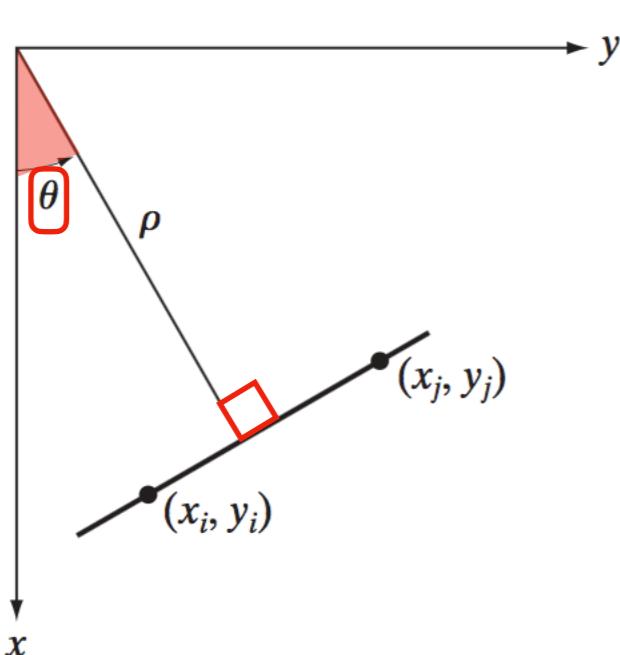


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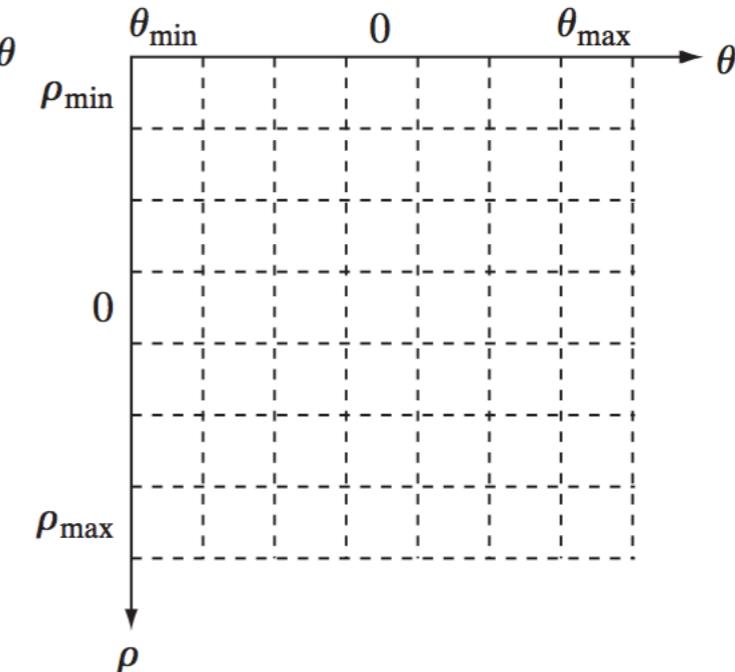
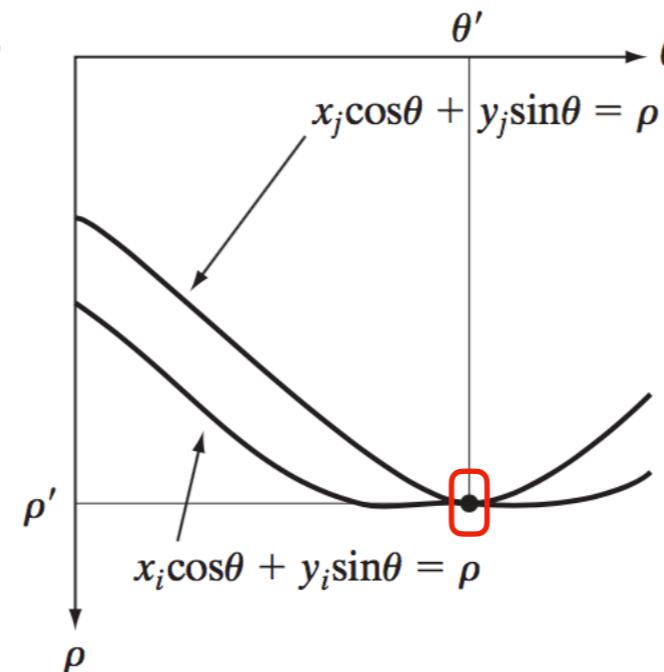
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sinusoidal curves in rotheta-plane



geometric interpretation of the parameters
rho and theta

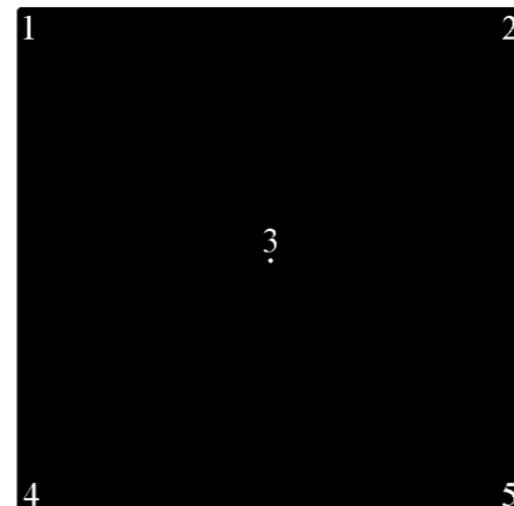


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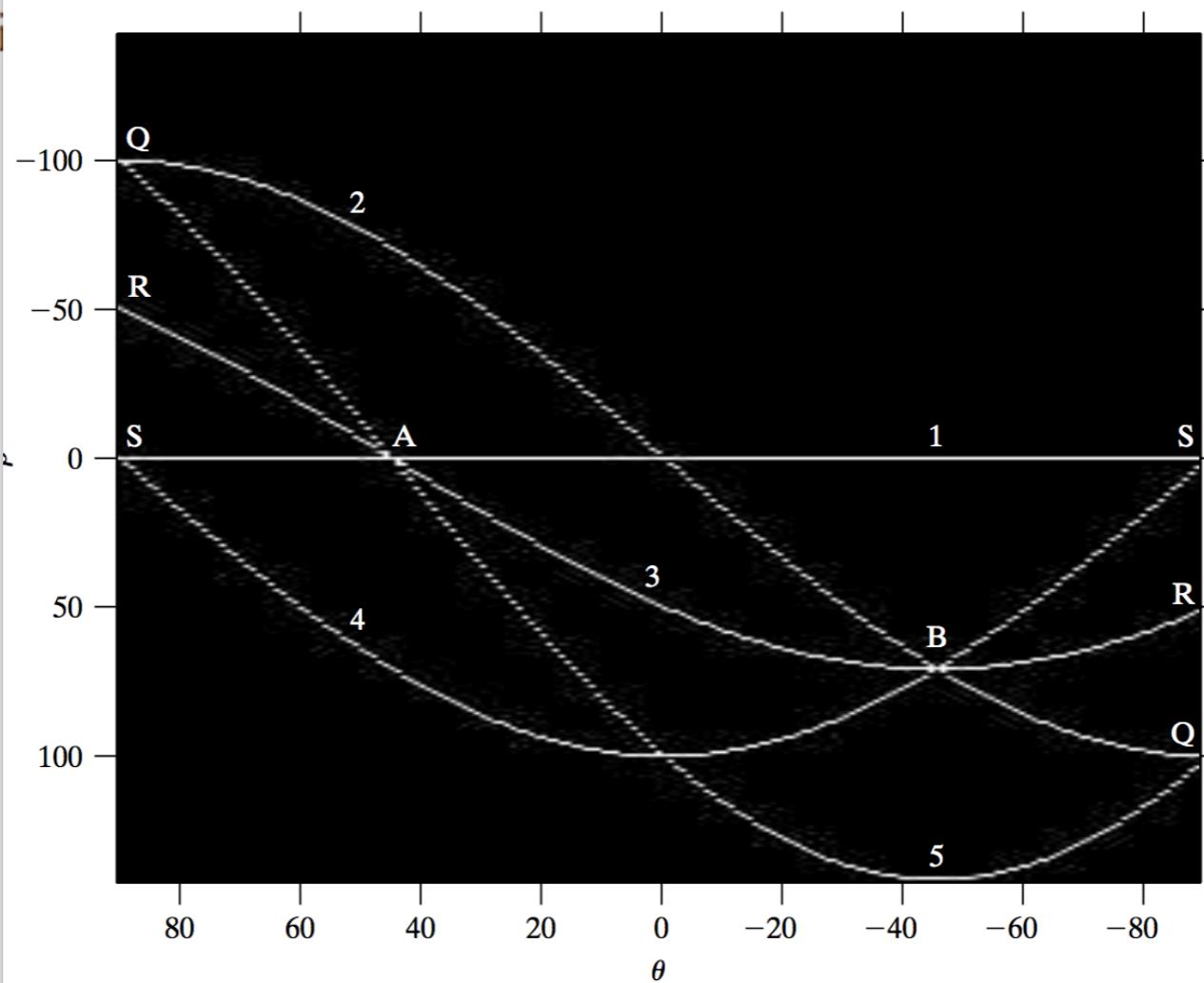
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where large number of points

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parameter space

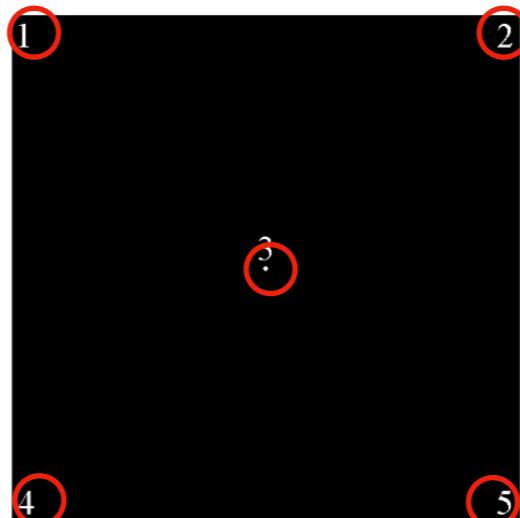


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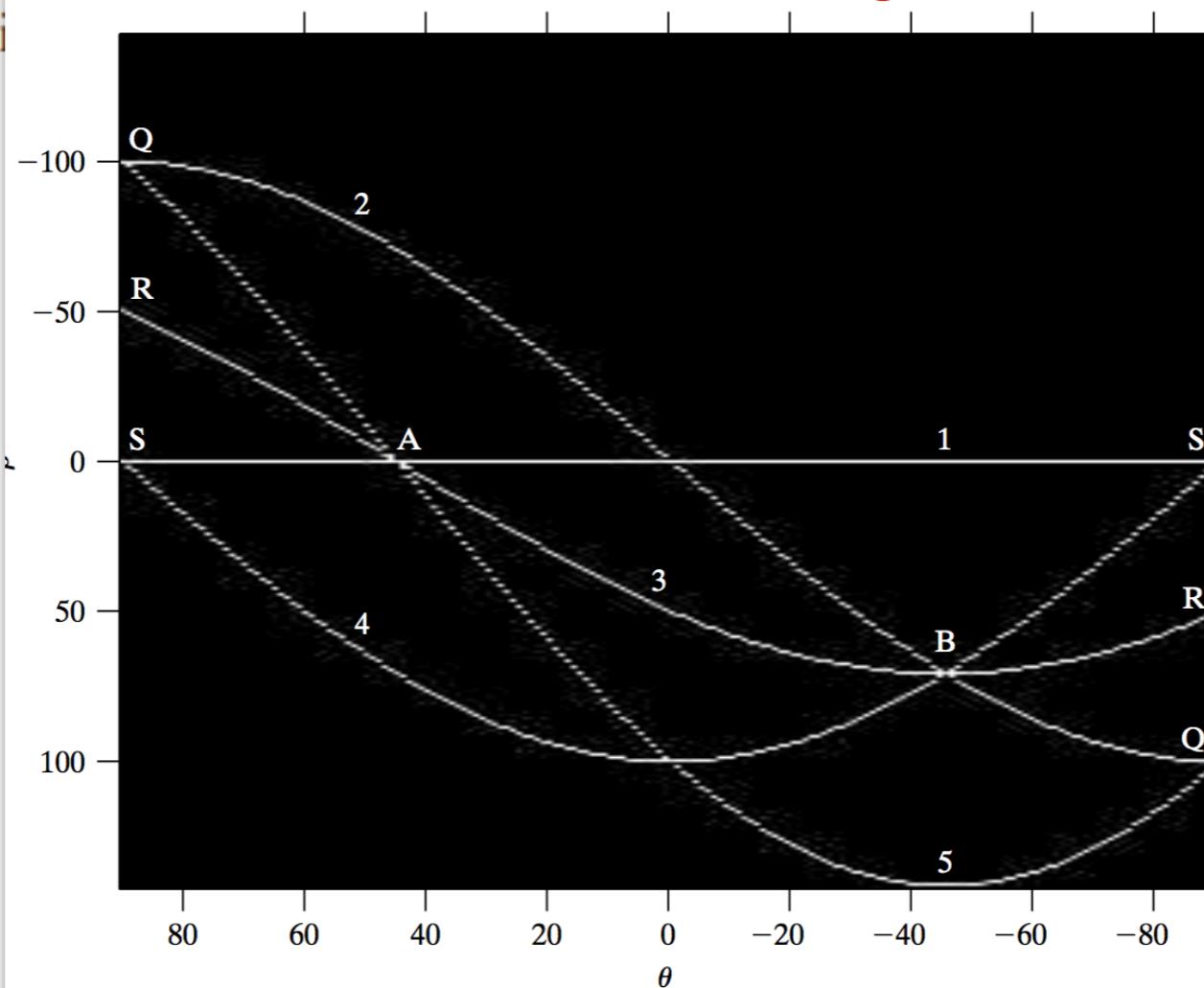
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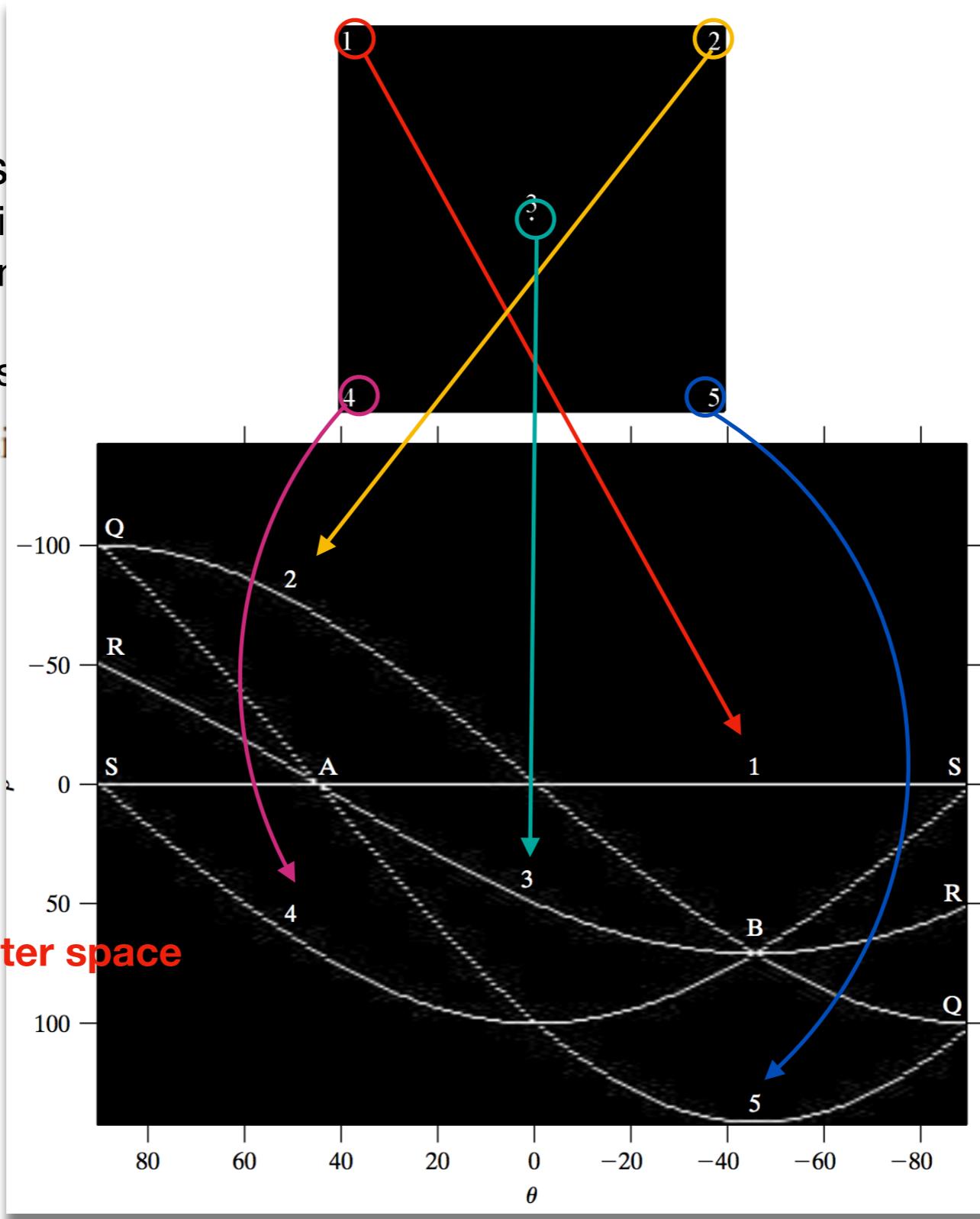
Five Labeled points

parameter space



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Corresponding parameter space

Point, Line, Edge Detection

- Edge Linking and Boundary Detection
 - > Hough transform Process
- 1) Obtain a binary image using any of the techniques from the previous contents
 - 2) Specify subdivisions in the rotheta-plane
 - 3) Examine the counts of the accumulator cells for high pixel concentrations
 - 4) Examine the relationship between pixels in chosen cell

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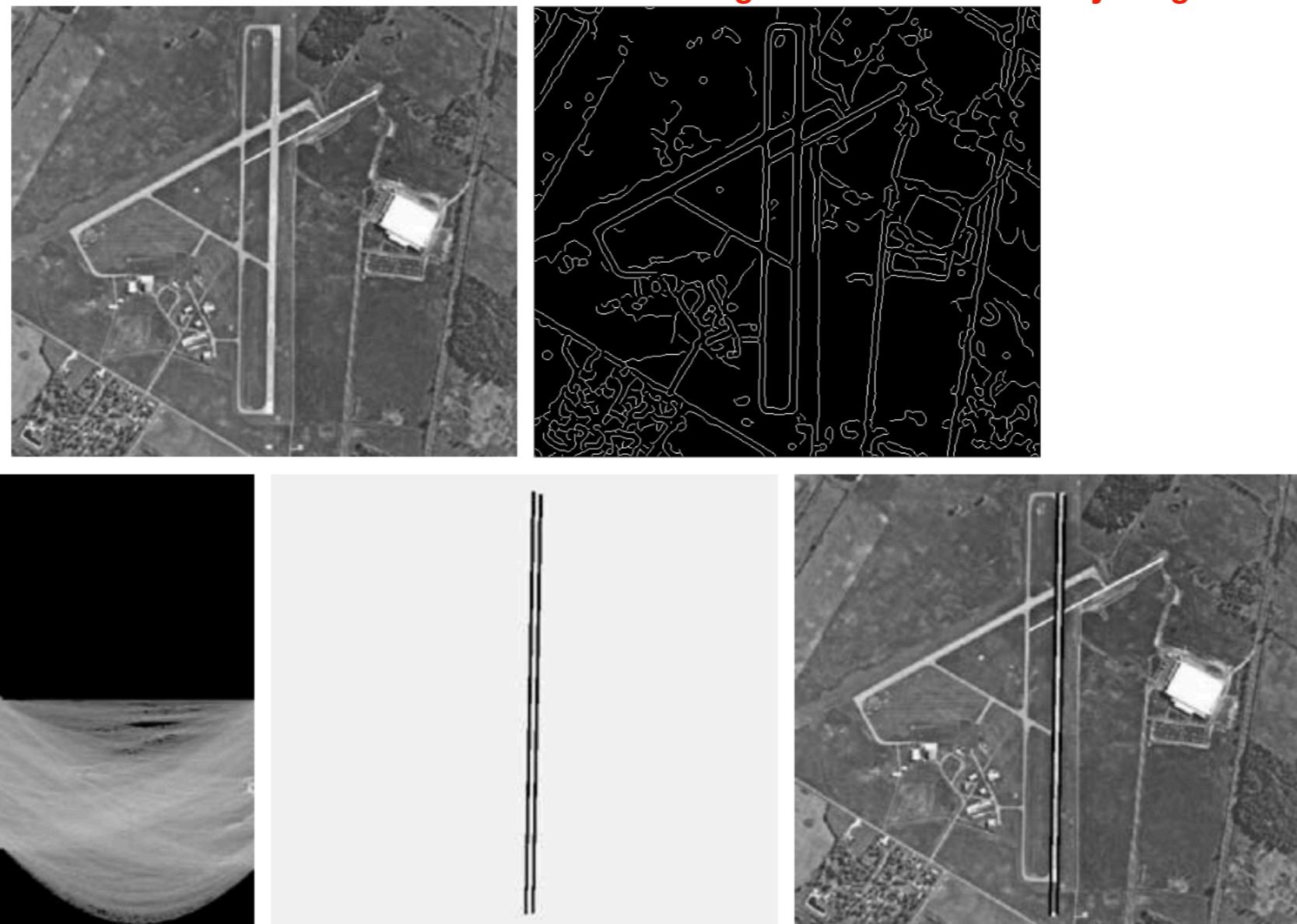
-> Hough Transform

1) Obtain

2) Spec

3) Exam

4) Exam



Hough parameter space

Lines in the image plane
corresponding to the points
highlighted by the boxes

Lines superimposed on the original image

Point, Line, Edge Detection

Thank you

- Any Questions? -