

# Speeded-Up Robust Features

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- ▶ Find Key points
  - Define key point using Hessian matrix
  - Approximate Hessian matrix using box filter
  - Do Non Maxima suppression
  - Find true location of key points using quadratic interpolation
- ▶ Find descriptor for each key point
  - Use Haar wavelet response of each sub window of the window around the key point

To find approximation of Hessian matrix and response of Wavelet

- ▶ Compute integral image once
- ▶ Use integral images

- The integral image  $II(x, y)$  of an image  $I(x', y')$  represents the sum of all pixels in  $I(x', y')$  of a rectangular region formed by  $(0, 0)$  and  $(x, y)$

$$II(x, y) = \sum_{x' \leq x, y' \leq y} I(x', y')$$

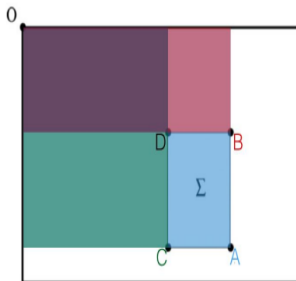
1	5	1	6
2	4	3	12

Figure 1: Image and its Integral Image

- The time complexity of finding Integral Image  $II$  of an Image  $I$  of size  $n \times n$  is  $O(n^4)$  ( $2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + n^2$  additions)

- ▶ Using dynamic programming, II can be computed in  $O(n^2)$
- ▶ Using II of image I, the sum of pixels over any rectangular region of any size can be computed in constant time (Without II,  $O(n^2)$ )

$$\Sigma = A - B - C + D$$



# Integral Image (cont.)



1	2	2	4	1
3	4	1	5	2
2	3	3	2	4
4	1	5	4	6
6	3	2	1	3

1	3	5	9	10
4	10	13	22	25
6	15	21	32	39
10	20	31	46	59
16	29	42	58	74



- ▶ Given a point  $X = (x, y)$  in an image  $I$ , the Hessian matrix  $H(X, \sigma)$  in  $X$  at scale  $\sigma$  is defined as follows

$$H(X, \sigma) = \begin{bmatrix} G_{xx}(X, \sigma) & G_{xy}(X, \sigma) \\ G_{xy}(X, \sigma) & G_{yy}(X, \sigma) \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $G_{xx}(X, \sigma)$  is the convolution of the Gaussian second order derivative  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} g(\sigma)$  with the image  $I$  in point  $X$ .

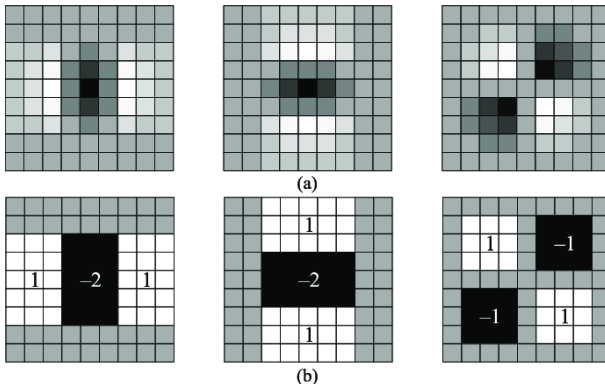
The locations where the determinant of the Hessian is maximum are called **interest points**



- ▶ The actual computation of the Hessian matrix is expensive
- ▶ The Hessian can be approximated using filters called **Box Filters**
- ▶ **Box Filter** is a filter that consists of rectangular regions with constant value in each region
  - Average filters, Sum filters are Box Filters



**Box filters (bottom row) that approximate second order partial derivatives of Gaussian filters in X, Y and XY directions**



- Instead of exact Hessian, find approximate Hessian using box filters



$$H_{approx}(X, \sigma) = \begin{bmatrix} B_{xx}(X, \sigma) & B_{xy}(X, \sigma) \\ B_{xy}(X, \sigma) & B_{yy}(X, \sigma) \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $B_{xx}(X, \sigma)$ ,  $B_{xy}(X, \sigma)$ ,  $B_{yy}(X, \sigma)$  are approximations to  $G_{xx}$ ,  $G_{xy}$ ,  $G_{yy}$  respectively

$$\det(H_{approx}) = B_{xx} B_{yy} - (w B_{xy})^2$$

(  $w = 0.9$  )

- ▶  $\det(H_{approx})$  will be low for isolated points(noise), high for corner points

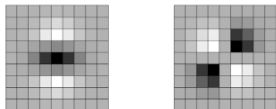


Figure 2: Gaussian second order partial derivative filters in y-direction( $G_{xx}$ ) and xy-direction( $G_{xy}$ )

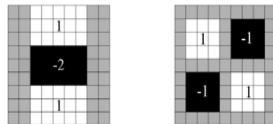


Figure 3: Box filter approximations of the Gaussian second order partial derivative filter in x dir ( $B_{xx}$ ) and in xy ( $B_{xy}$ )



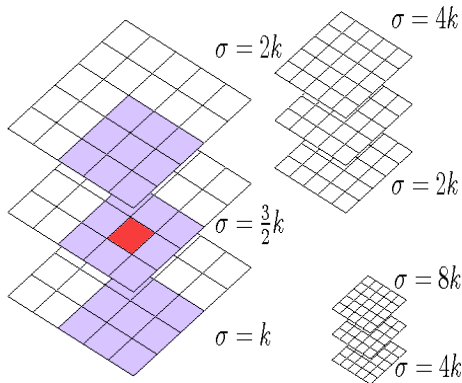
- ▶ Box filter ( $B_{xx}$ ) is an Approximation of second order derivative of Gaussian filter in  $x$  direction ( $G_{xx}$ )
- ▶ Box filter ( $B_{yy}$ ) is an Approximation of second order derivative of Gaussian filter in  $y$  direction ( $G_{yy}$ )
- ▶ Box filter ( $B_{xy}$ ) is an Approximation of second order derivative of Gaussian in  $x$  followed by  $y$  direction ( $G_{xy}$ )
- ▶ At each point  $(x, y)$  in an image, the response of box filter at  $(x, y)$  can be computed in constant time(using Integral Image)



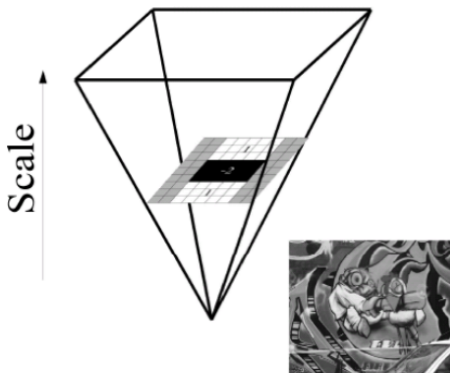
- ▶ Scale Space: The input image is convolved with a box filter of various dimensions such as  $9 \times 9$ ,  $15 \times 15$ ,  $27 \times 27$  etc.
- ▶ Size of the filter corresponds to the standard deviation( $\sigma$ ) of Gaussian.
  - Recall that the filter is second order partial derivative of Gaussian
  - The  $\sigma$  is called as scale
- ▶ The scale space is further divided into octaves (sets of filter responses)

## Three octaves:

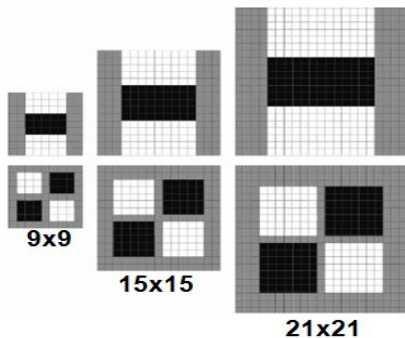
- ▶  $\sigma = k, \sigma = 1.5k, \sigma = 3k$
- ▶  $\sigma = 4k, \sigma = 6k, \sigma = 8k$
- ▶  $\sigma = 2k, \sigma = 3k, \sigma = 4k$



# Scale Space Representation (cont.)

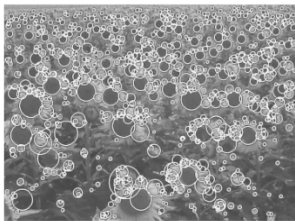


## Box filters of different scales





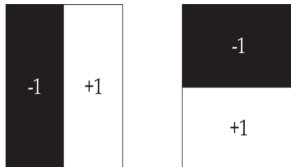
- ▶ To localize interest points in the image over different scales, a non-maximum suppression in a  $3 \times 3 \times 3$  neighborhood is applied
  - Non-maxima points are not interest points
- ▶ For each three maxima of the determinant of the Hessian matrix
  - Do quadratic interpolation
  - Call the extrema as key point, dropping those three points (or farthest point from the extrema)





## To find Feature vector for each key point $(x, y, s, o)$

- ▶ Define the axis-orientated square window of size  $20s \times 20s$  centered around the interest point
  - Find the orientation of square such that  $\sum dx$  is max (To keep rotation invariance)
    - ▶ Find the circle, centered at key point, and find the min-bounding rectangle for the circle
    - ▶ Find  $\sum dx$  for the window
    - ▶ Rotate the circle 30 degree, and find  $\sum dx$
    - ▶ Repeat the pre-step till 360 degree
    - ▶ Find the max  $\sum dx$ , and call the corresponding degree as the orientation of point
- ▶ Subdivide the window into  $4 \times 4$  grid
- ▶ Let  $H_x$  be Haar wavelet in  $x$  dir, and  $H_y$  be the Haar wavelet in  $y$  dir



- ▶ The following four metrics are extracted from each sub window  $w_i$  (of size  $5s \times 5s$ )
  - Sum of all values of  $dx$  in  $w_i$ , where  $dx = \text{Conv}(w_i, H_x)$
  - Sum of all values of  $dy$  in  $w_i$ , where  $dy = \text{Conv}(w_i, H_y)$
  - Sum of absolute values of all values of  $dx$  in  $w_i$ , where  $dx = \text{Conv}(w_i, H_x)$ , call the resultant as  $\sum |dx|$



- Sum of absolute values of all values of  $dy$  in  $w_i$ , where  $dy = \text{Conv}(w_i, H_y)$ , call the resultant as  $\sum |dy|$
- ▶ For each sub window  $w_i$ , find the feature vector

$$V_i = \begin{bmatrix} \sum dx \\ \sum dy \\ \sum |dx| \\ \sum |dy| \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ The final feature vectors for the key point  $(x, y)$ :
  - Concatenate all  $V_i$ s to obtain 64 dimensional vector:  
 $\text{FV}(x,y) = (V_1, \dots, V_{16})$