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Introduction to Computer Vision:

Local Operations: Convolution

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Image Operators: Local Operators

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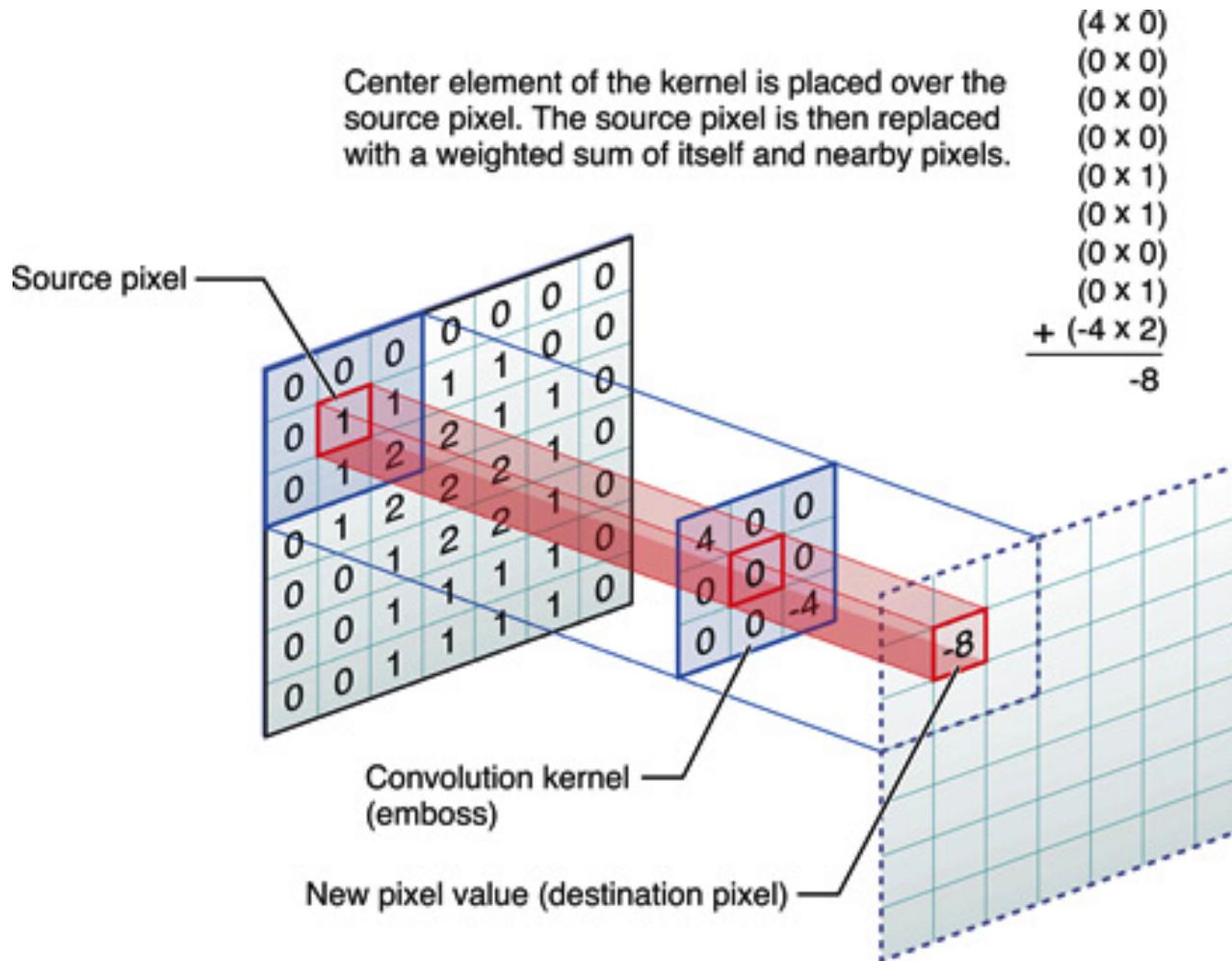
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Local Operators

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Local Operators: Filter with Convolution

- Local Operators build the sum of a **filter mask** values multiplied by the **underlying pixel** values into the **destination pixel**.
- The filter mask is normally **symmetric** and of **odd pixel size** (3x3, 5x5 etc.).



Local Operators: Filter with Convolution

- The mathematical operation behind is called **convolution**.
- In German it is called **Konvolution** or **Faltung**.
- The filter mask is also called **convolution kernel**.
- An **image g** convolved with a **convolution kernel h** with a **kernel radius k** (size=2· k +1) is therefore:

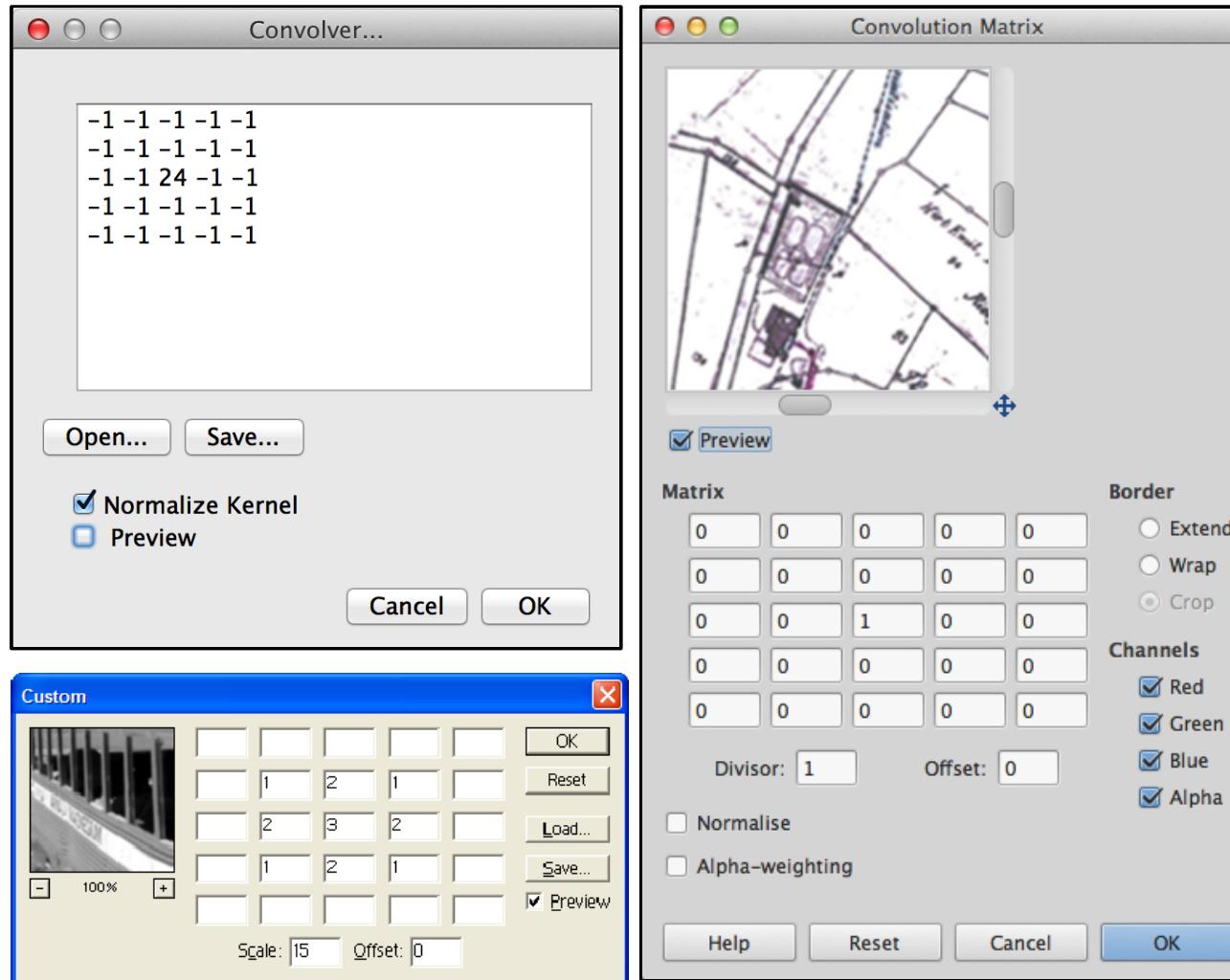
$$f(x, y) = g * h = \sum_{u=-k}^k \sum_{v=-k}^k g(x+u, y+v) \cdot h(u, v)$$

- For a 3x3 kernel mask this is:

$$\begin{aligned} f(X, Y) = & g(X-1, Y-1) \cdot h(-1, -1) + g(X, Y-1) \cdot h(0, -1) + g(X+1, Y-1) \cdot h(1, -1) + \\ & g(X-1, Y) \cdot h(-1, 0) + g(X, Y) \cdot h(0, 0) + g(X+1, Y) \cdot h(1, 0) + \\ & g(X-1, Y+1) \cdot h(-1, +1) + g(X, Y+1) \cdot h(0, +1) + g(X+1, Y+1) \cdot h(1, +1) \end{aligned}$$

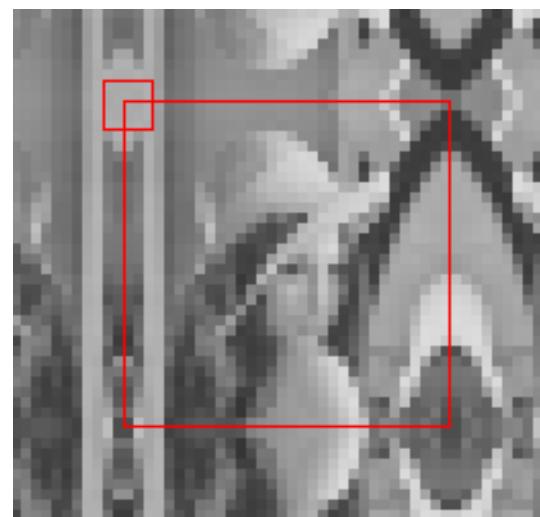
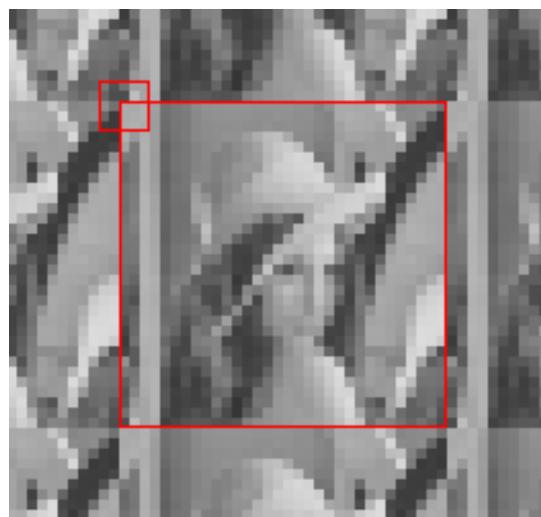
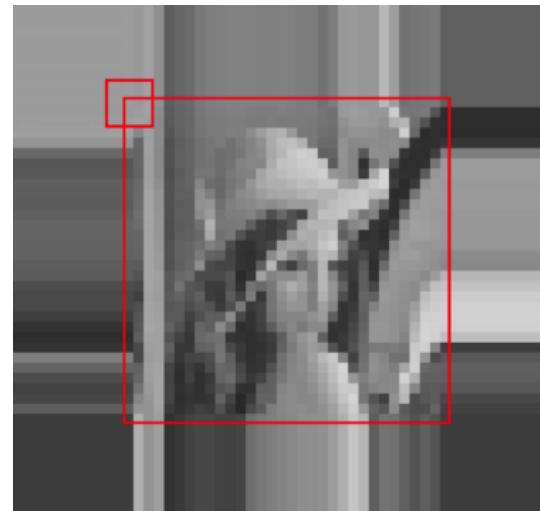
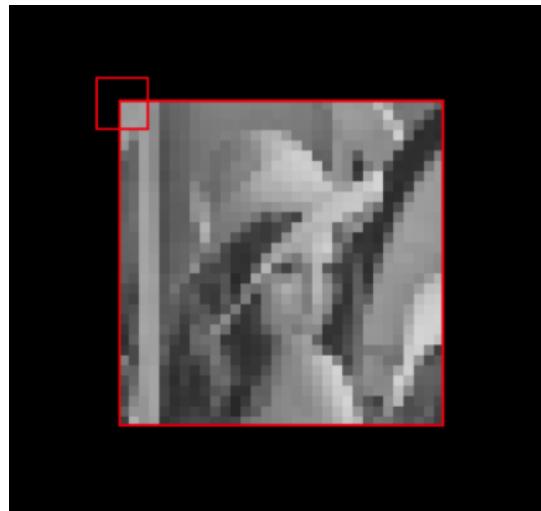
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- Most image processing tools offer a dialog for a generic filter mask definition:



Local Operators: Filter with Convolution

- For a destination image with the same size we need pixels across the border.
- There are several solution for the **border problem**:



Local Operators: Filter with Convolution

- The mathematical definition of a linear **convolution** is slightly different:

$$f(x, y) = g * h = \sum_{u=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{v=-\infty}^{\infty} g(x+u, y+v) \cdot h(-u, -v)$$

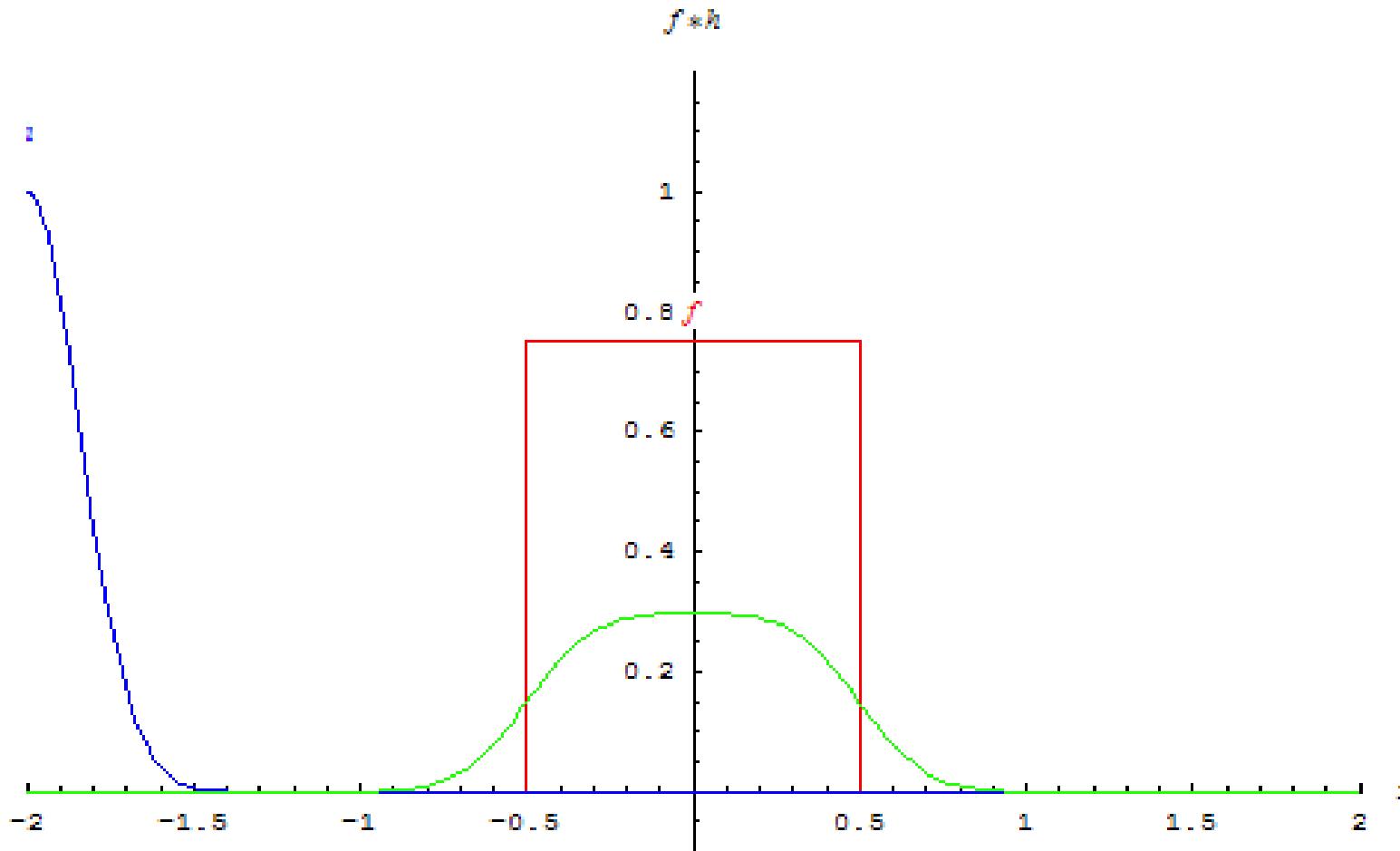
compared to what we implemented:

$$f(x, y) = g * h = \sum_{u=-k}^{k} \sum_{v=-k}^{k} g(x+u, y+v) \cdot h(u, v)$$

- The different range (+/- ∞) can be ignored because $h(u, v)$ is zero outside.
- The **negative signs mirror the mask**.
 - Without this mirroring our convolution is in fact a **correlation**.

Local Operators: Filter with Convolution

- A convolution is an operation between two functions that return a third function.
- One of the functions is滑动 over the other function.
- The convolution is the multiplied sum of the overlapping regions:



Local Operators: Convolution Properties

- A convolution is **commutative**: $g * h = h * g$

We therefore can exchange the image with the convolution mask.

Local Operators: Convolution Properties

- A convolution is **commutative**: $g * h = h * g$
- A convolution is **associative**: $g * h * i = g * (h * i) = (g * h) * i$

You can also therefore split a filtermask in two separate filters and apply them separately and more efficiently:

$$g * h_{xy} = g * (h_x * h_y) = (g * h_x) * h_y$$

$$h_{xy} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = h_x * h_y = [1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 1] * \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Local Operators: Convolution Properties

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- A convolution is **associative**: $g * h * i = g * (h * i) = (g * h) * i$
- A convolution is **distributive**: $g * h + i * h = (g + i) * h$

This property is only true because the convolution is a **linear operation (filter)**:

We first convolve and then add two images:

$$\begin{aligned}[1 & 2 & 1] * [\dots 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \dots] + [1 & 2 & 1] * [\dots 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \dots] = \\[\dots 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \dots] + [\dots 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \dots] = \\[\dots 0 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 1 & 0 \dots]\end{aligned}$$

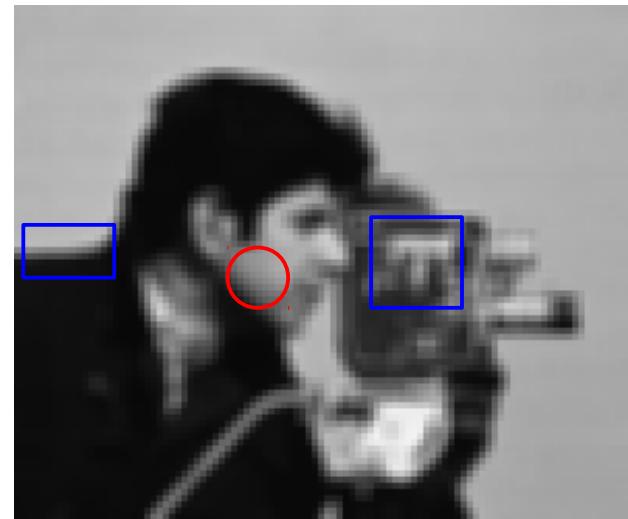
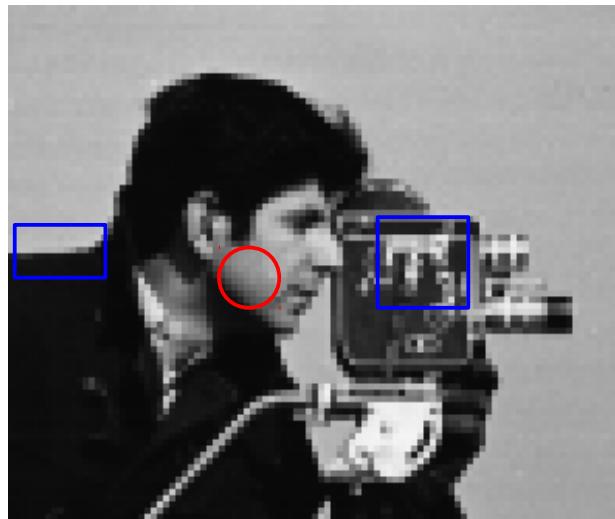
Or we add first and then convolve:

$$\begin{aligned}[1 & 2 & 1] * ([\dots 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \dots] + [\dots 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \dots]) = \\[1 & 2 & 1] * [\dots 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \dots] = \\[\dots 0 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 1 & 0 \dots]\end{aligned}$$

Local Operators: Low Pass Filter: Box Filter

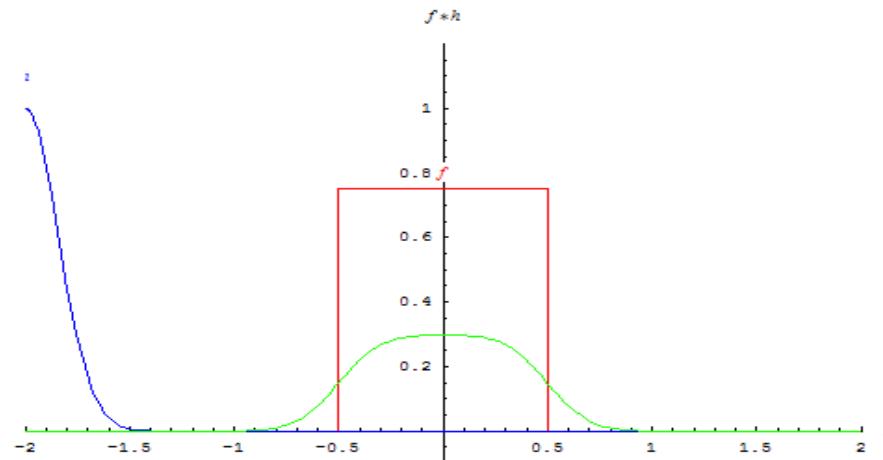
- A **low pass filter blocks the high frequencies** in an image.
- **High frequencies** are in **fine details** and in **sharp edges**.
- **Low frequencies** are in **soft changes**.
- Low pass filter make image softer, fine details get vanished & noise is reduced.
- The **Box filter** simply averages the area under the filter mask:
- The smallest box filter is a 3x3 mask:

$$B = \frac{1}{9} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Local Operators: Low Pass Filter: Gaussian Filter

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- It **approximates the gaussian curve** in 1D or Gaussian bell in 2D.
- We will see why it is better in the chapter of the Fourier transform.

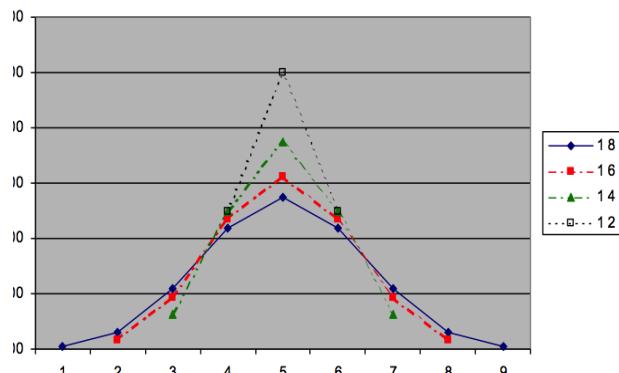


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- A **square gaussian mask of odd size** can be built with an odd sequence of the **Pascal's triangle**.
- The Pascal's triangle approximate the gaussian curve:

Weight

1/ 1			1						
1/ 2				1	1				
1/ 4			1	2	1				
1/ 8		1	3	3	1				
1/ 16	1	4	6	4	1				
1/ 32	1	5	10	10	5	1			
1/ 64	1	6	15	20	15	6	1		
1/128	1	7	21	35	35	21	7	1	
1/256	1	8	28	56	70	56	28	8	1



$$G = \frac{1}{16} \cdot [1 \ 4 \ 6 \ 4 \ 1] * \frac{1}{16} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 6 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{256} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 6 & 4 & 1 \\ 4 & 16 & 24 & 16 & 4 \\ 6 & 24 & 36 & 24 & 6 \\ 4 & 16 & 24 & 16 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 6 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Local Operators: Low Pass Filter

- Comparison of a 7x7 box filter vs. a 7x7 gaussian filter:



negative absolute difference



Local Operators: Exercise Low Pass Filter in Excel

- You can easily implement the convolution math in a cell of MS Excel or OO Calc.
- Make small square cells
- Make separate value for the filter mask and filter weight.
- Implement the convolution formula and copy it to all destination cells.
- Visualize the cell differences with conditional formating.



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Local Operators: High Pass Filter

- A **high pass filter blocks the low frequencies** in an image.
- High pass filter
 - increase the edges & noise
 - make monotonous areas to black (zero)

Local Operators: High Pass Filter: 1st Derivative

- **High pass filters** create the **1st and 2nd derivative** of the image signal.
- They are therefore also called **gradient filters**.
- The 1st derivatives of a discrete image signal in x- and y-directions are:

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- With the weights we can build the filter masks for the convolution:

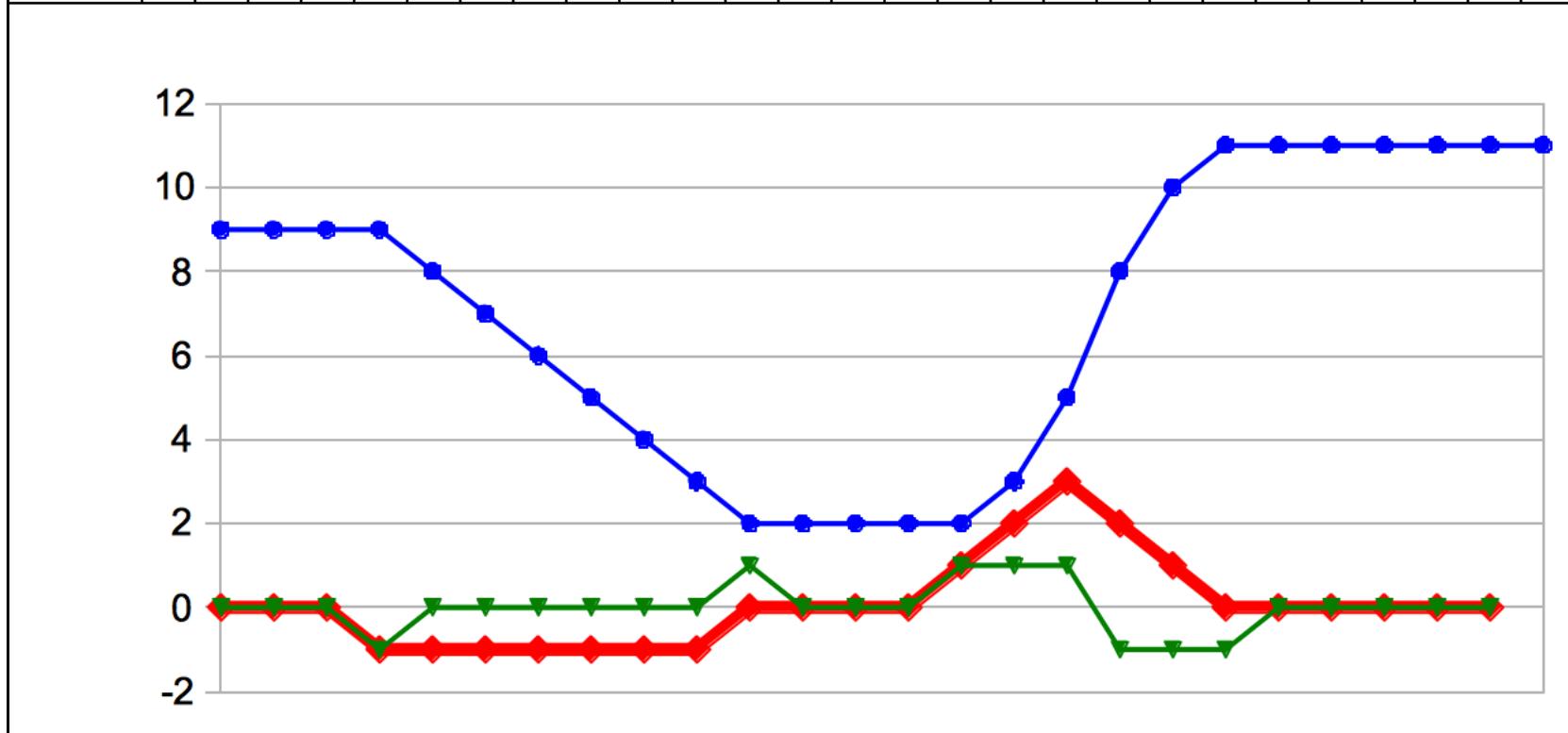
$$D_x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \boxed{-1} & \boxed{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad D_y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \boxed{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Local Operators: High Pass Filter: 1st Derivative

- The 1st derivatives of a discrete 1D-signal is:

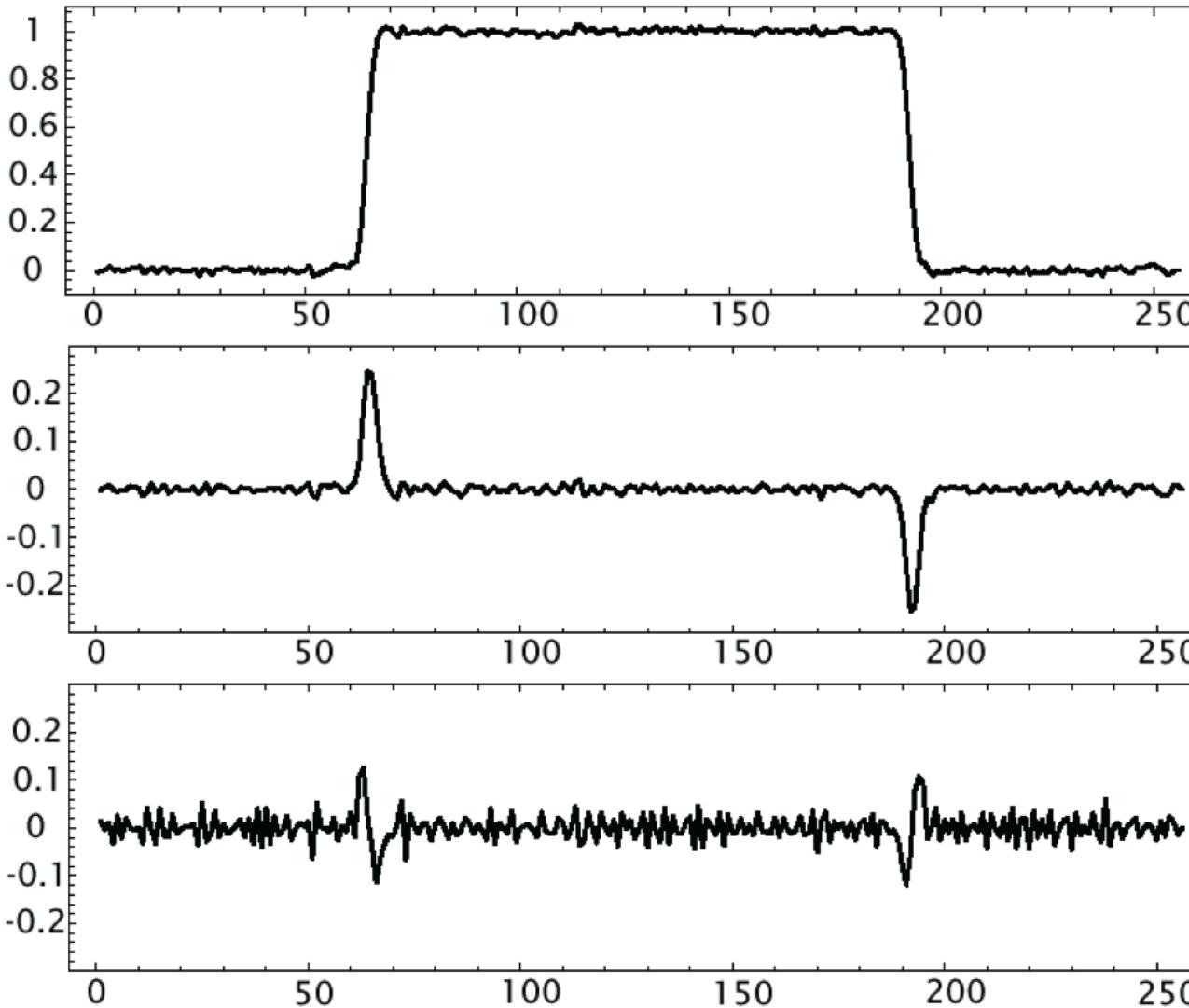
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G(x):	9	9	9	9	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	2	2	2	2	3	5	8	10	11	11	11	11	11
G'(x):		0	0	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
G''(x):		0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	0



Local Operators: High Pass Filter: 1st Derivative

- The noise is increasing with every derivative:



Local Operators: High Pass Filter: 1st Derivative

- We can get the **combined gradient** (Betrag) from $G'(x)$ and $G'(y)$ by:

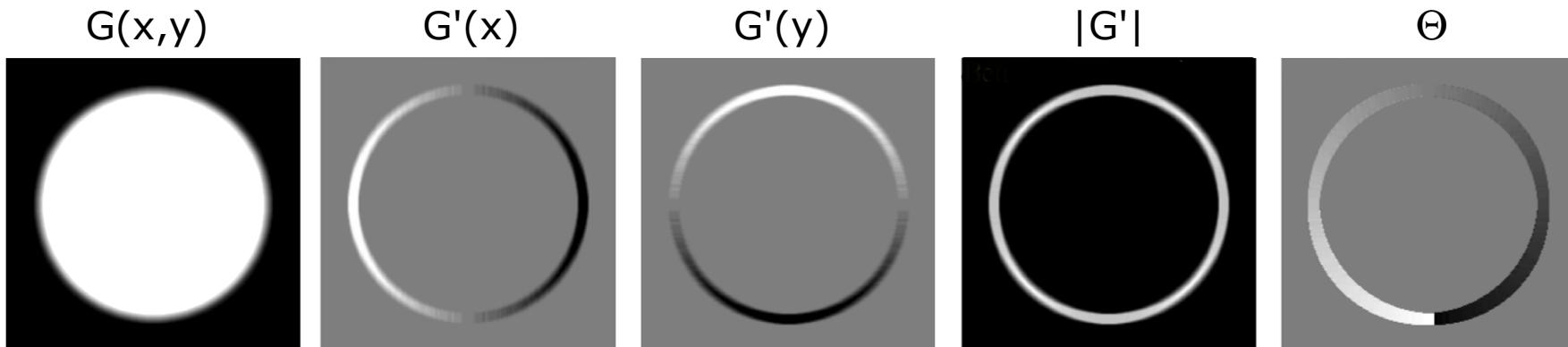
$$|G'| = \sqrt{G'_x^2 + G'_y^2}$$

or by the sum of the absolute values of the gradient components:

$$|G'| = |G'_x| + |G'_y|$$

- The **gradient direction** we get from:

$$\Theta = \text{atan} \left(\frac{G'_y}{G'_x} \right)$$



Local Operators: High Pass Filter: 1st Derivative

- Applying the filter masks D_x und D_y we get:

$$D_x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad D_y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

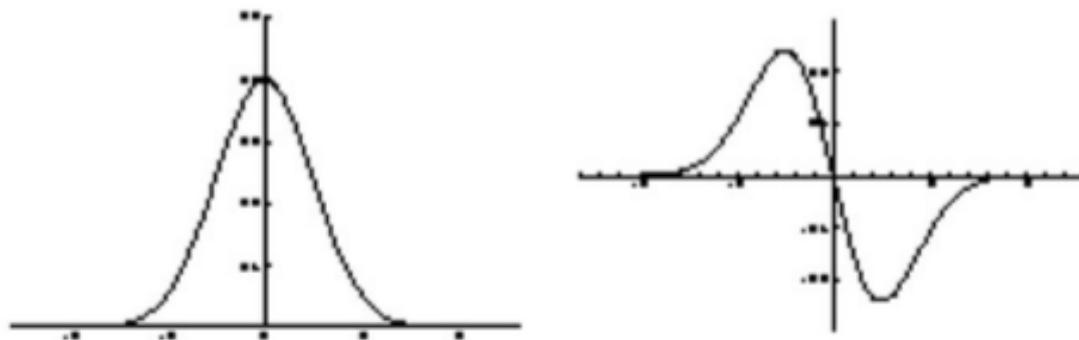


- We loose the negative values!

Local Operators: High Pass Filter: Sobel Filter

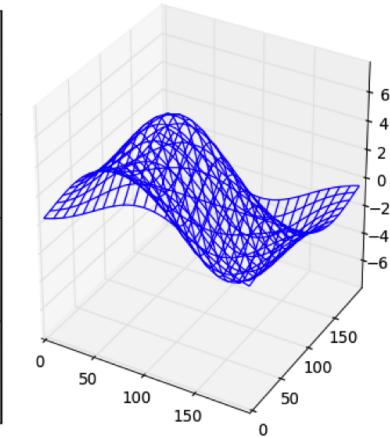
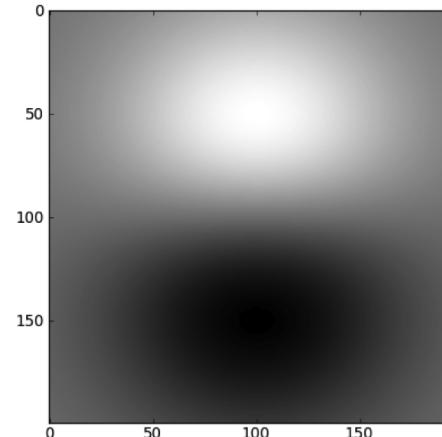
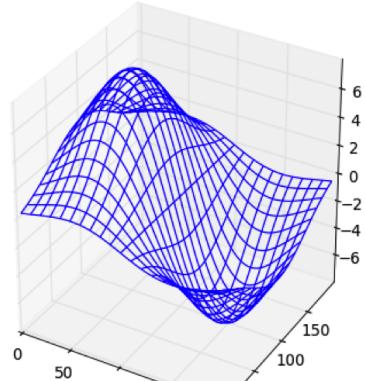
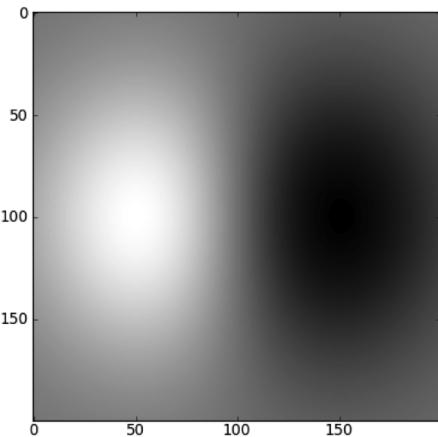
- The **1st derivative** of the **gaussian curve** is:

$$G(x) = e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad G'(x) = \frac{-1}{\sigma^2} x \cdot e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$



Local Operators: High Pass Filter: Sobel Filter

- The **Sobel filter** is the smallest discrete approximation to the **1st derivative** of the **gaussian bell**.
- It avoids additional noise.



$$S_x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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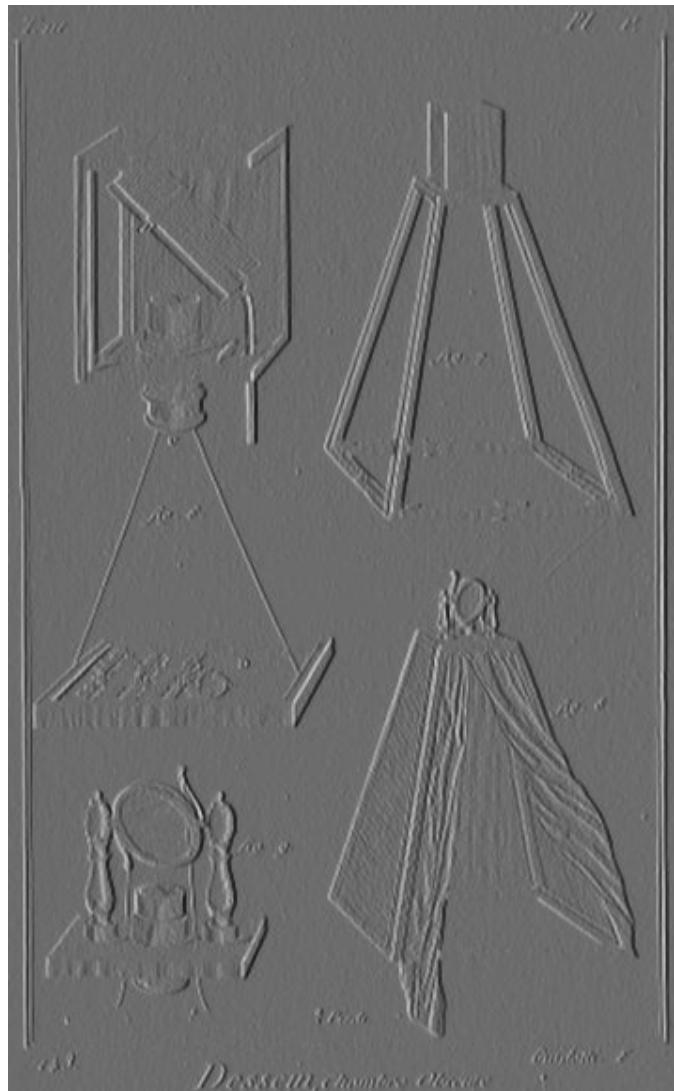
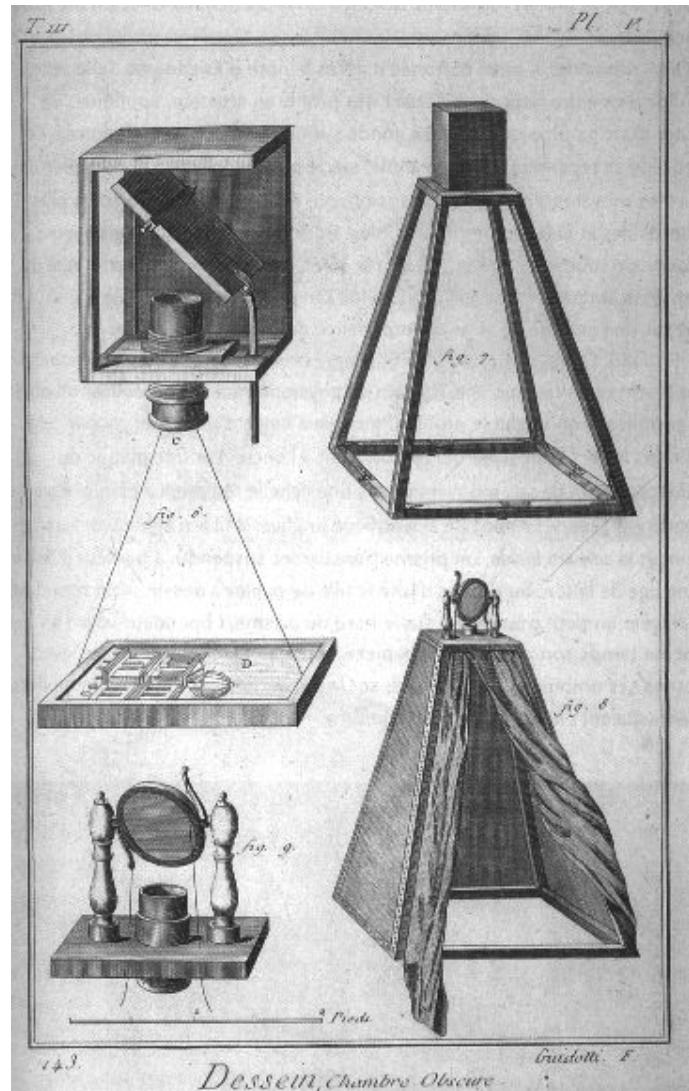
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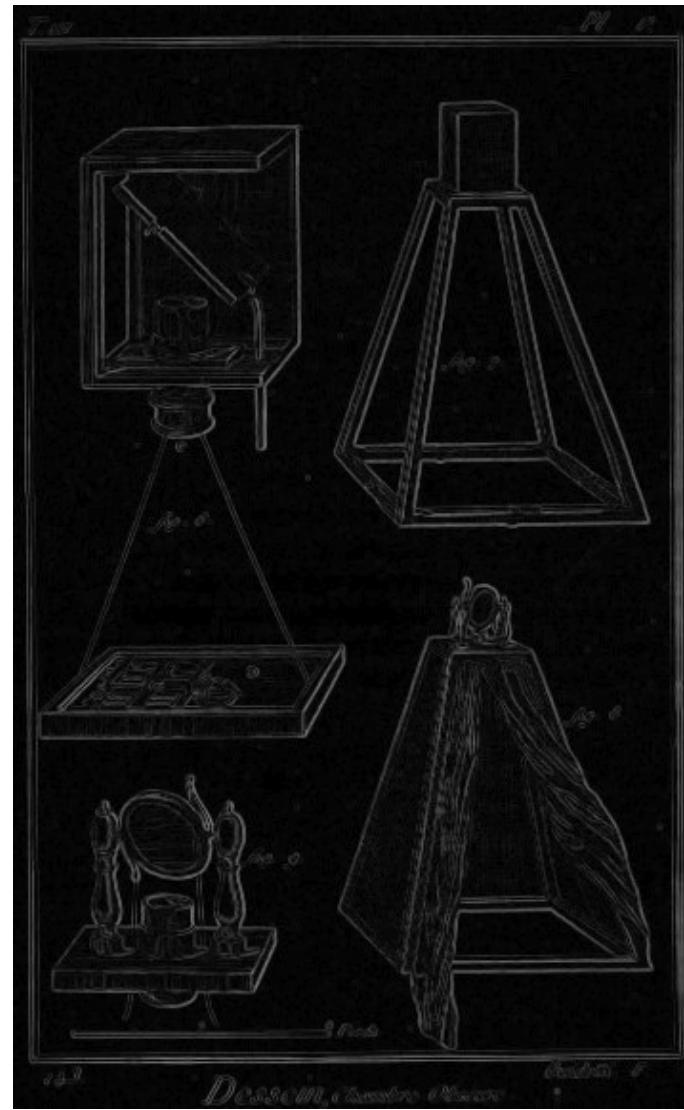
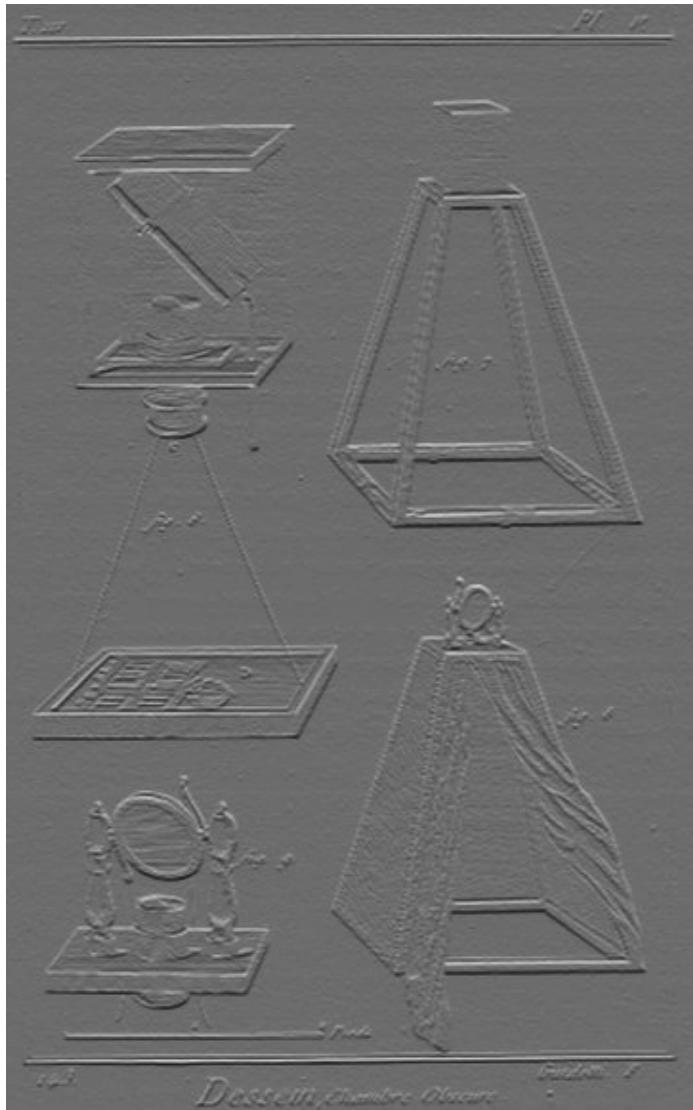
Local Operators: High Pass Filter: Sobel Filter

- To visualize the negative edges we can increase the luminosity by 128:



Local Operators: High Pass Filter: Sobel Filter

- We can combine all edges with: $|G'| = \sqrt{G_x'^2 + G_y'^2} = |G_x'| + |G_y'|$



Local Operators: High Pass Filter: Laplace Filter

- With the **Laplace** filter mask we can create the **2nd derivative**.
- The 2nd derivate is the derivative of the 1st derivative:

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$$G''(x) = (G(x+1) - G(x)) - (G(x) - G(x-1))$$

$$G''(x) = 1 \cdot G(x-1) - 2 \cdot G(x) + 1 \cdot G(x+1)$$

$$G''(y) = 1 \cdot G(y-1) - 2 \cdot G(y) + 1 \cdot G(y+1)$$

Local Operators: High Pass Filter: Laplace Filter

- From these weights we can build the 2nd derivative filter mask.
- It's called **Laplace Filter**:

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$$L = L_x + L_y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- A more rotation invariant version sums up also the diagonal derivatives:

$$L = L_x + L_y + L_{d1} + L_{d2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -8 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Local Operators: High Pass Filter: Laplace Filter

- With the **2nd derivative** we get on all edges **lower but positive values**.
- The **noise is increased**.

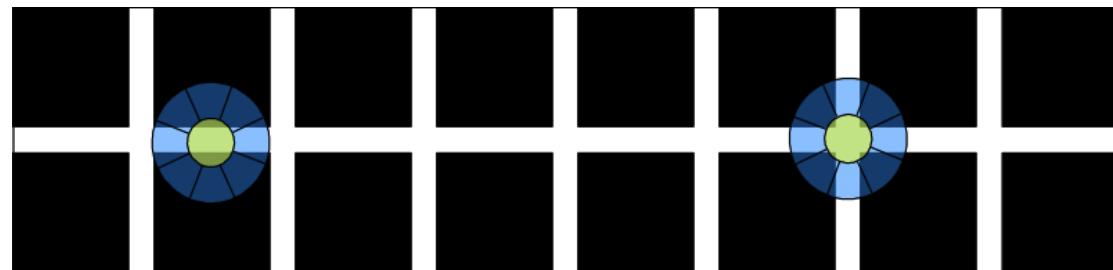


$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -8 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

High Pass Filter: Laplace Filter

- You may remember what happens in the receptive fields (ganglion cells) of the retina.
- The weights in the receptive fields correspond to a Laplace filter:



$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Summe 6} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 8 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{matrix} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Summe 4} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 8 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{matrix} \end{array}$$

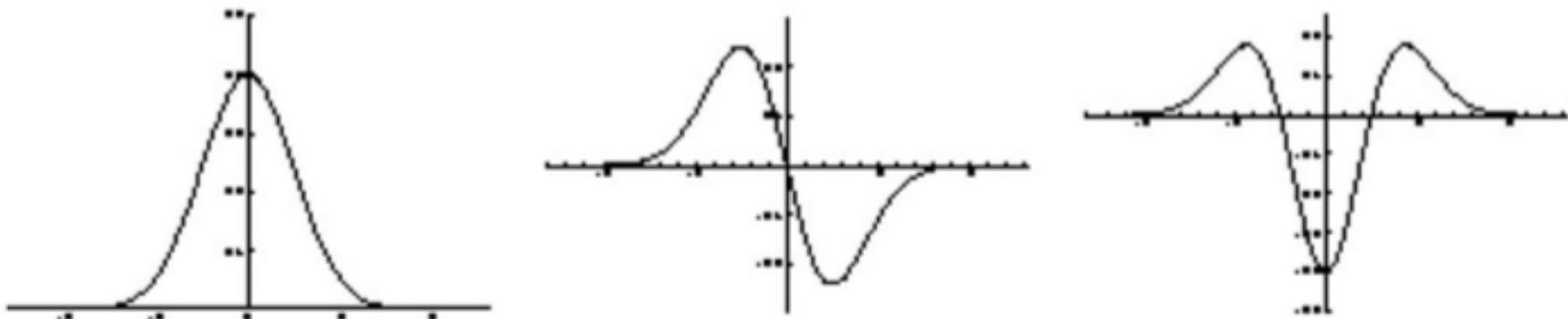


$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -8 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

High Pass Filter: Laplace of Gaussian

- The best **2nd derivative** is again derived from the gaussian curve.
- The filter is called **Laplace of a Gaussian**:

$$G(x) = e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad G'(x) = \frac{-1}{\sigma^2} x \cdot e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad G''(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma^4} \left(\frac{x^2}{\sigma^2} - 1 \right) \cdot e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$



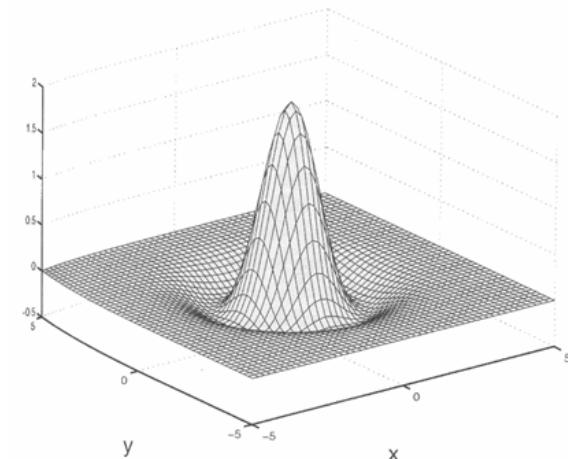
$$\log_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\log_{5 \times 5} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -16 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

High Pass Filter: Laplace of Gaussian

- For thicker edges Laplace filters can have even bigger size.
- Because of its shape the Laplace filter has also the name **Mexican Hat**.

$$\log_{13 \times 13} = -\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 & -2 & -2 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 & -3 & -3 & -4 & -3 & -3 & -2 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -3 & -3 & -3 & -2 & -3 & -3 & -3 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & -3 & -1 & 4 & 6 & 4 & -1 & -3 & -3 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 & -3 & 4 & 14 & 19 & 14 & 4 & -3 & -3 & -2 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 & -4 & -2 & 6 & 19 & 24 & 19 & 6 & -2 & -4 & -2 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 & -3 & 4 & 14 & 19 & 14 & 4 & -3 & -3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & -3 & -1 & 4 & 6 & 4 & -1 & -3 & -3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -3 & -3 & -3 & -2 & -3 & -3 & -3 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 & -3 & -3 & -4 & -3 & -3 & -2 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 & -2 & -2 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Local Operators: Point Spread Function (PSF)

- A **PSF** is a special filter mask with a 1 in the center. All the rest is zero.
- Such a function is also called **Dirac** function:

$$PSF = \delta(i, j) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- A convolution with a PSF results in a identical image:

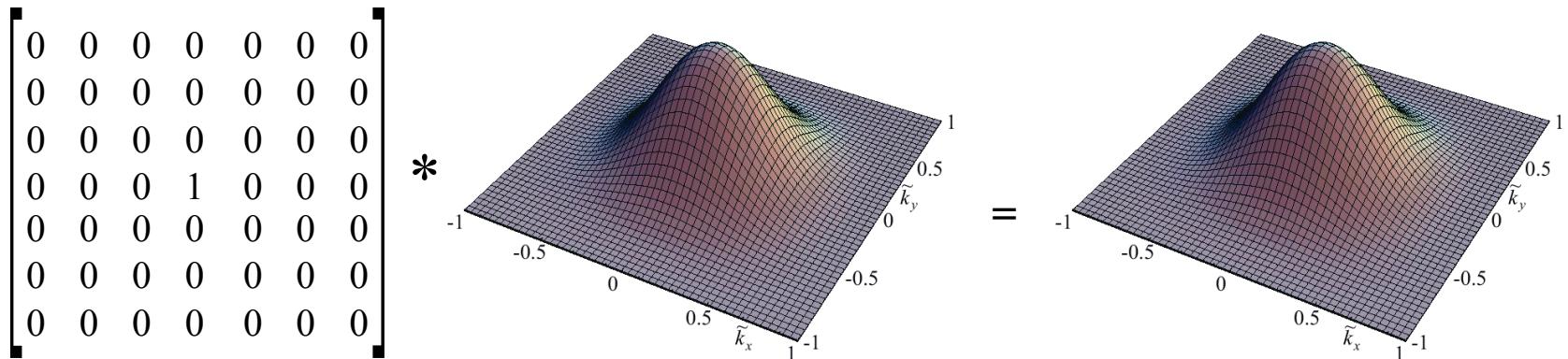
$$g * \delta = \delta * g = g$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{array}{c} \text{Image of a man holding a camera} \\ \text{(Input image)} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{Image of a man holding a camera} \\ \text{(Output image)} \end{array}$$

Local Operators: Point Spread Function (PSF)

- A convolution with a PSF with a convolution mask return the convolution mask:

$$h * \delta = \delta * h = h$$



Local Operators: Point Spread Function (PSF)

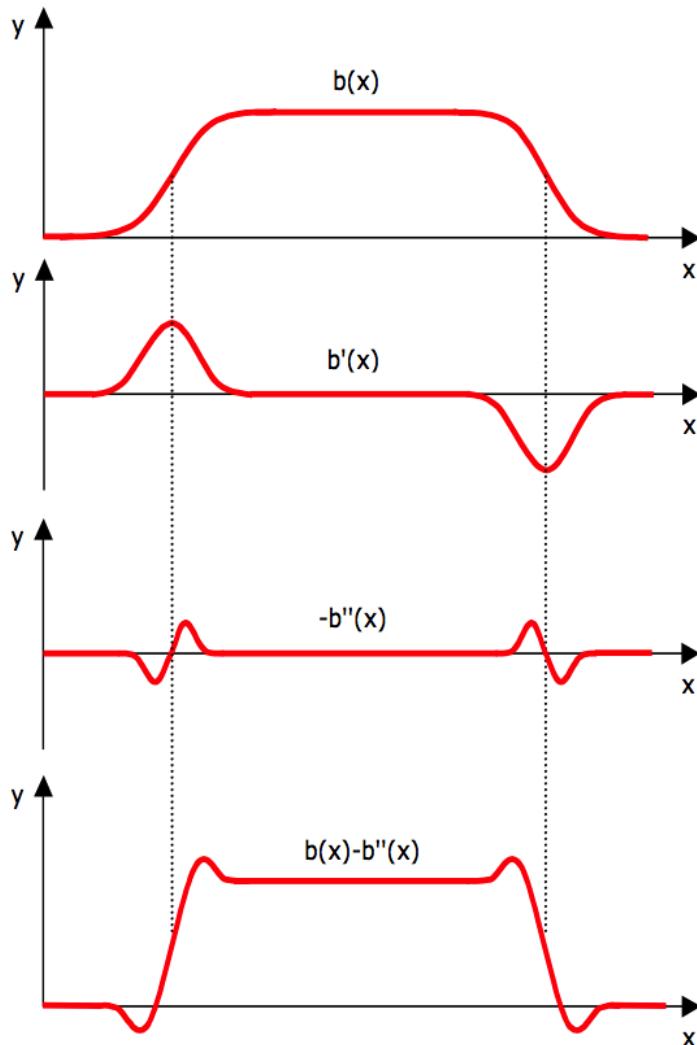
- This can be interesting when the convolution mask is unknown.
- An optic works like a PSF: It spreads an infinitesimal light impulse on the image sensor to its PSF:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{array}{c} \text{Image of a telescope on a tripod} \\ \boxed{\text{Image of a telescope on a tripod}} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{Blurred image of the telescope} \\ \boxed{\text{Blurred image of the telescope}} \end{array}$$

- If we can determine the PSF of a lens, we can sharpen an image with **inverse filtering** far more.

Applications: Sharpening with Laplace

- We can sharp an image by subtracting the laplace filtered image:



$$G_{SharpLoG} = b(x, y) - b(x, y) * L_{\log}$$

Applications: Sharpening with Laplace

- We can build a sharpening filter by subtracting the laplace filter from an impulse filter: $G_{Sharp} = g * i - g * h = g * (i - h)$

- Slight sharpening

$$G_{Sharp1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 5 & -2 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Medium sharpening

$$G_{Sharp2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 5 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Strong sharpening

$$G_{Sharp3} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -8 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 9 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Applications: Sharpening with Laplace

- The noise is increasing of course too!

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 5 & -2 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

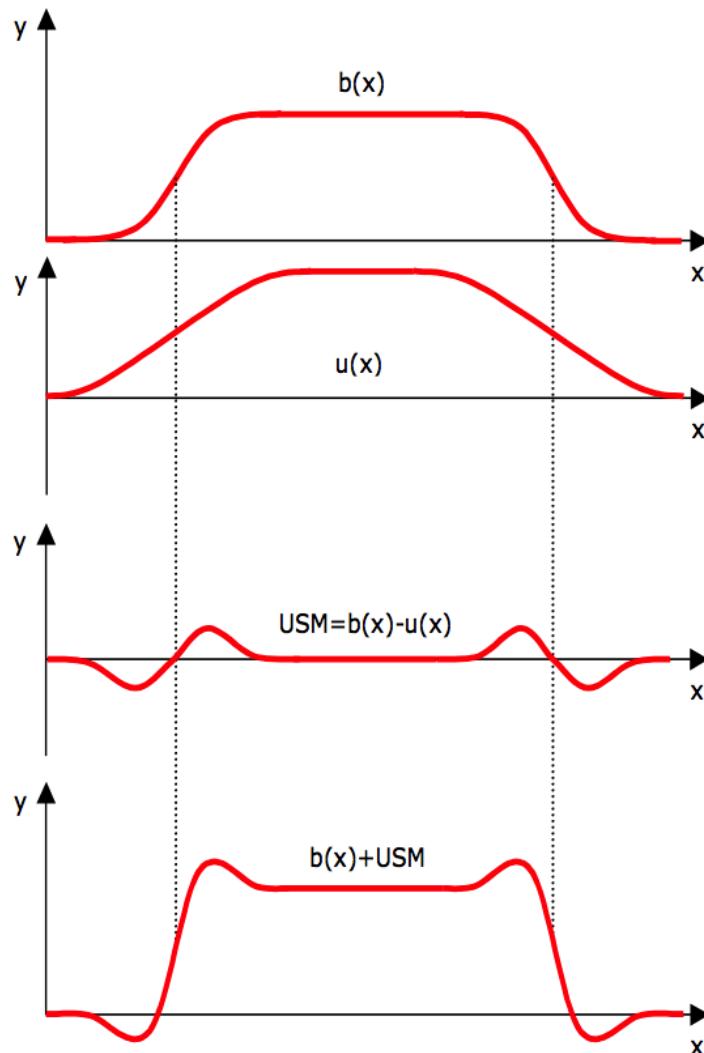
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 5 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 9 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Applicatons: Sharpening with USM

- An alternative was is to use **Unsharp Masking**:



$$G_{CrispUSM} = b(x, y) + (b(x, y) - u(x, y))$$

Applicatons: Sharpening with USM

Example of **Unsharp Masking**: Original image:

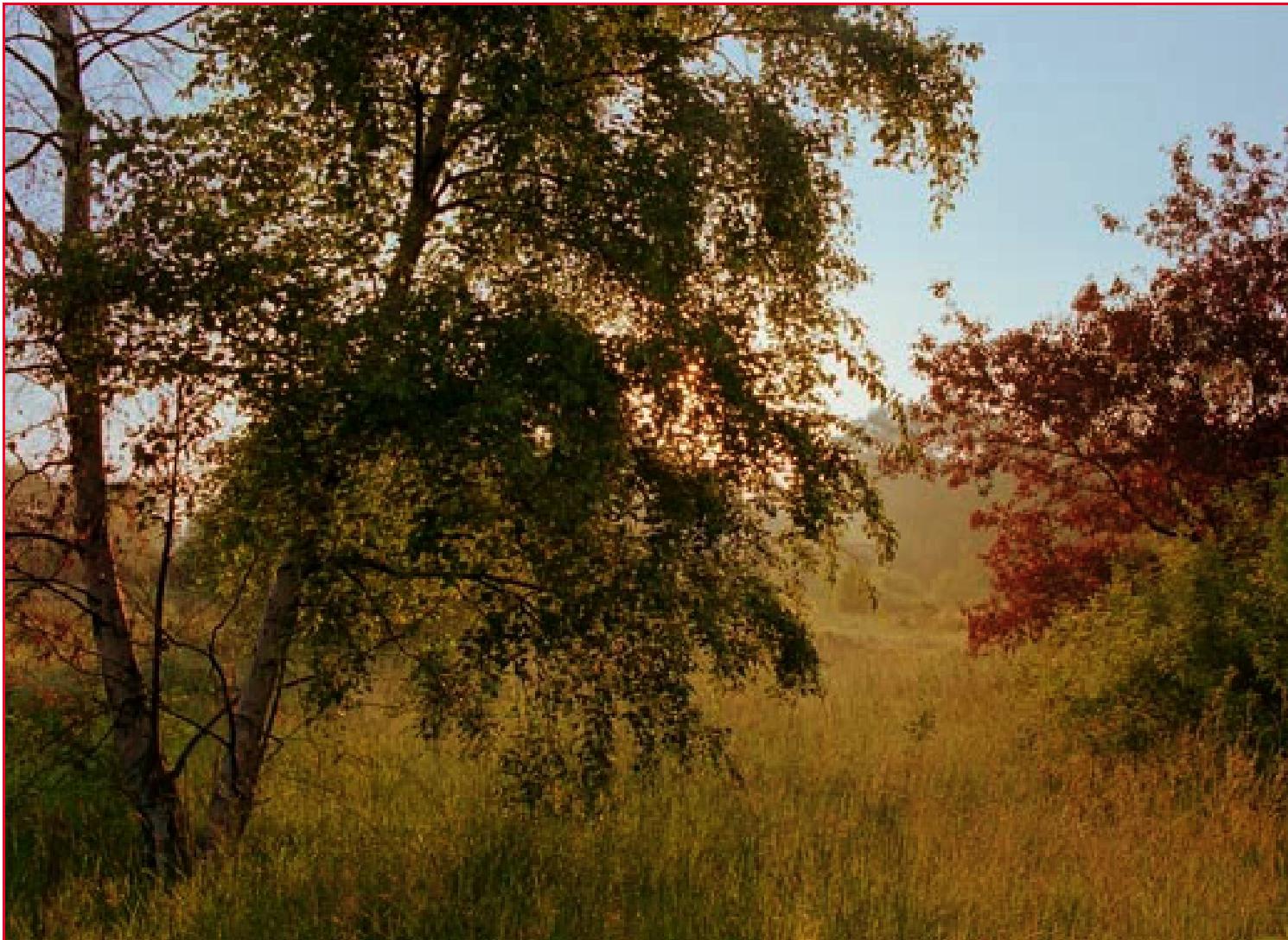
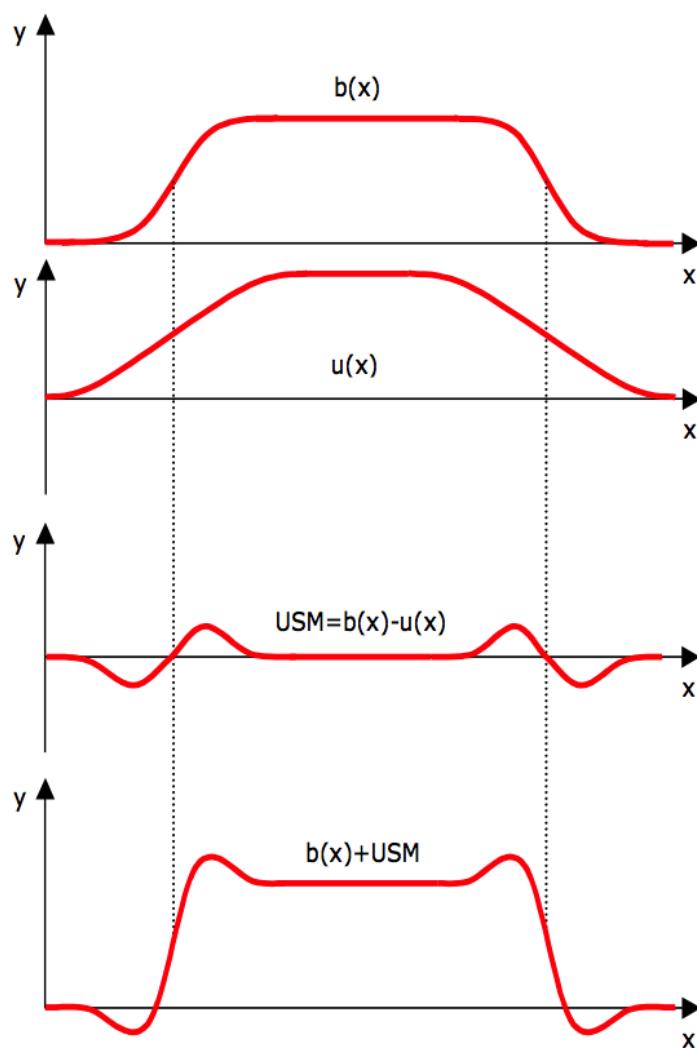


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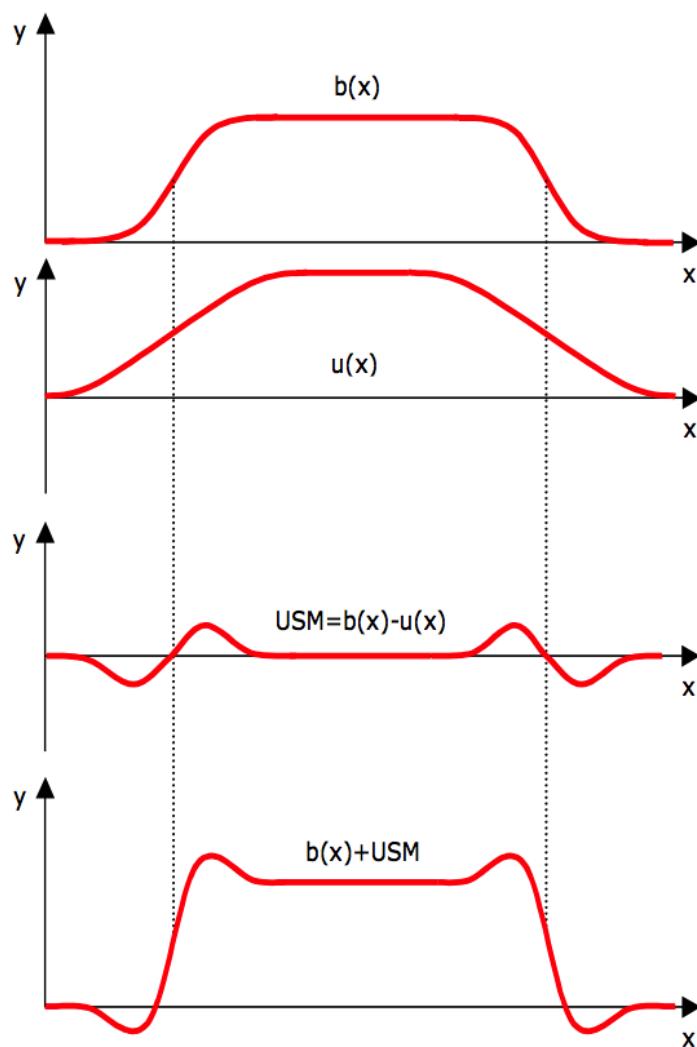
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Example of **Unsharp Masking**: Original image:



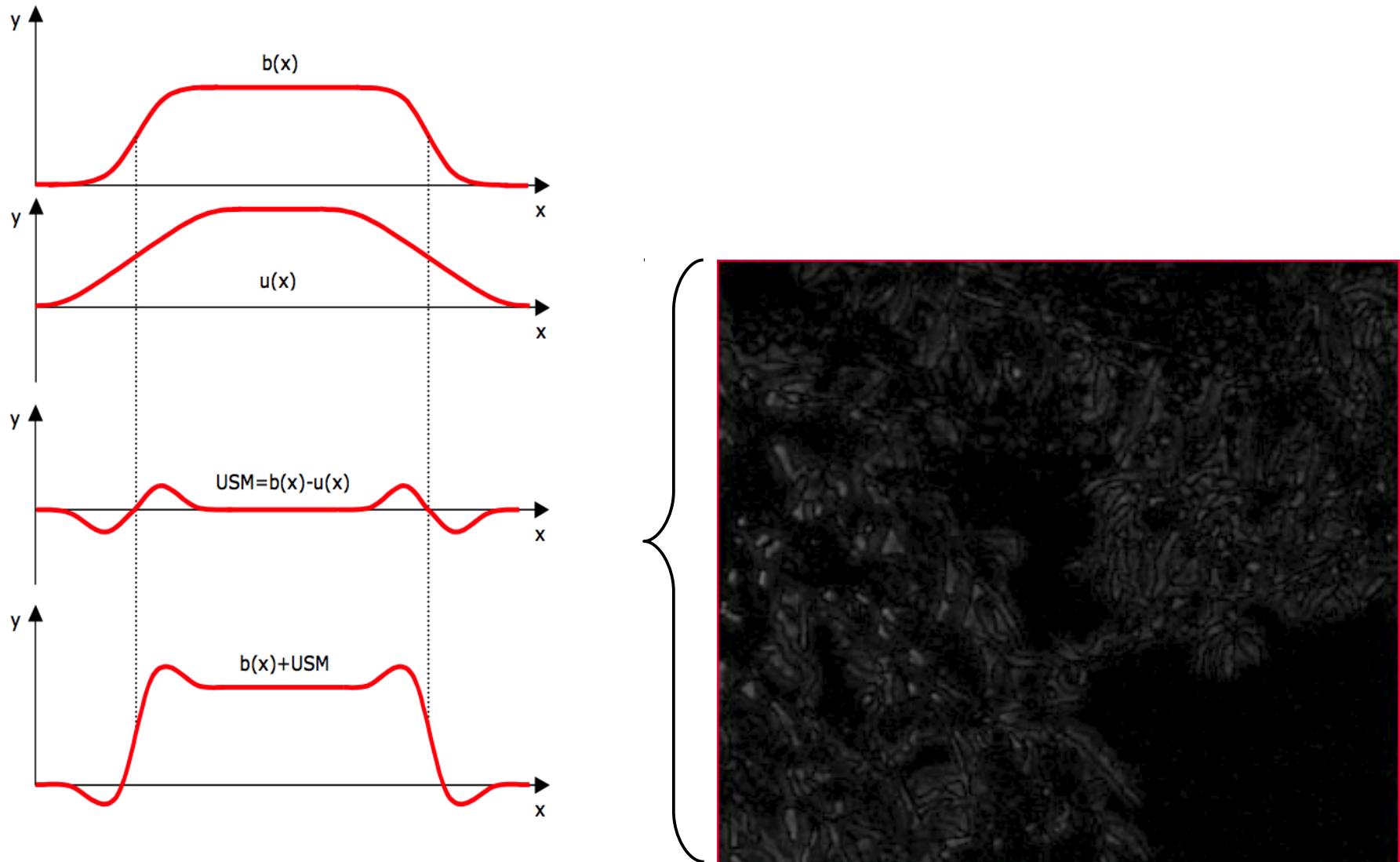
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Example of **Unsharp Masking**: Create blurred image:



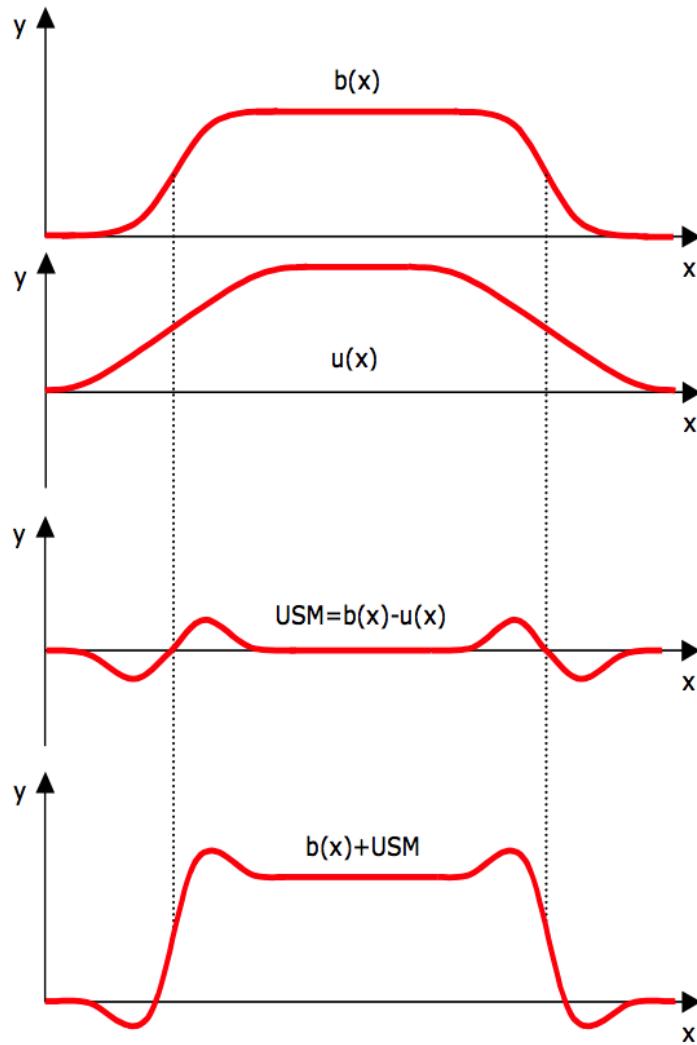
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Example of **Unsharp Masking**: Create absolute difference image (USM):



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Example of **Unsharp Masking**: Add USM to Original image:



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Example of **Unsharp Masking**: Sharpened image:

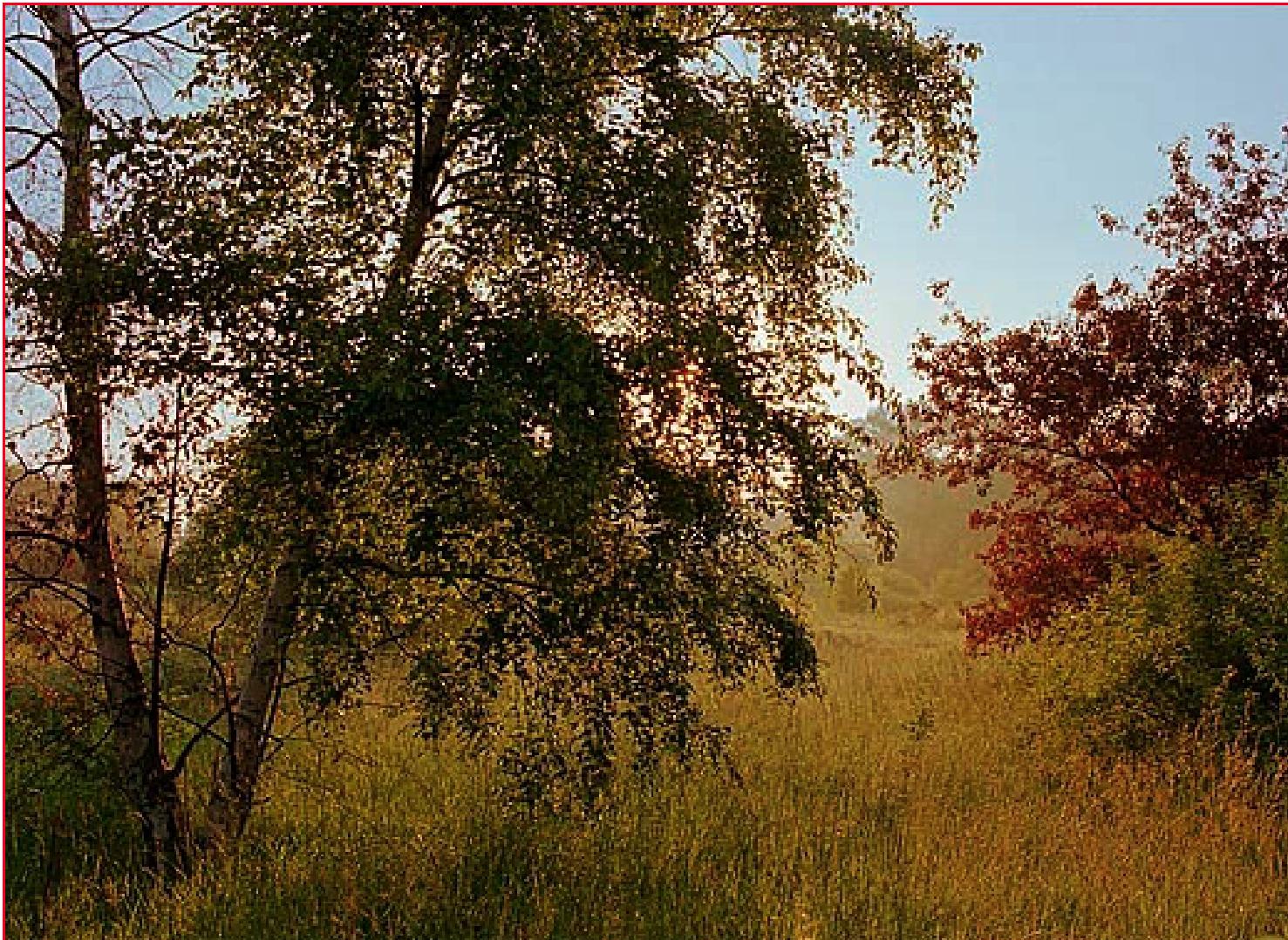


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