

# Lecture 4

## Intensity transformation & Spatial Filtering (2)

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# Intensity transform (2)

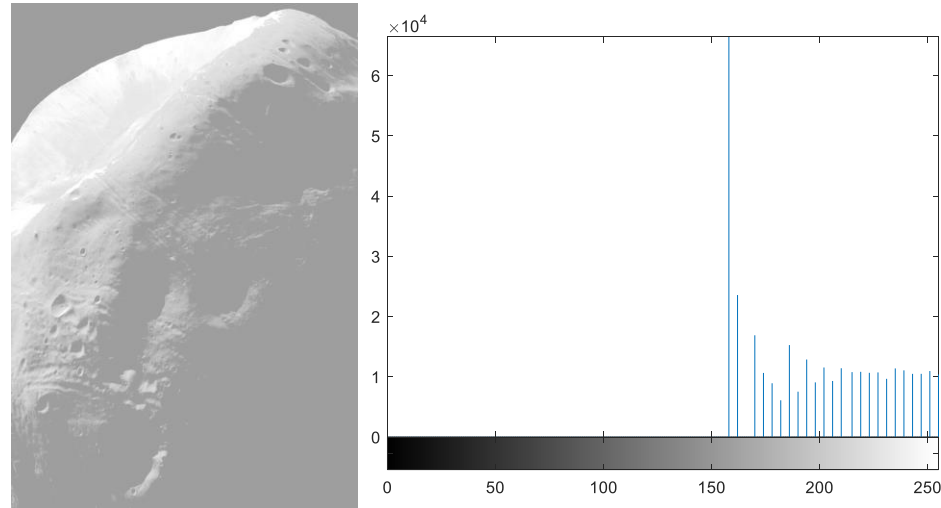
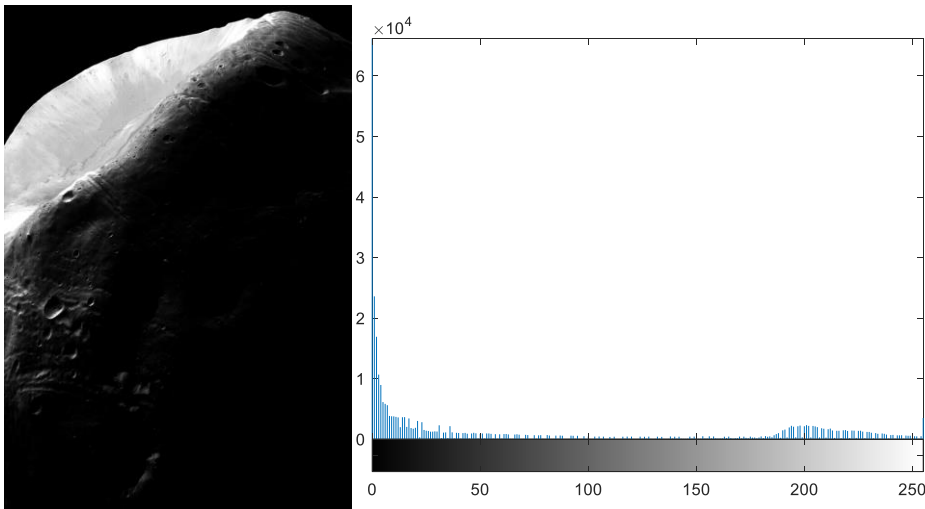
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- ❑ Adaptive Histogram Equalization (AHE)
- ❑ Contrast Limited Adaptive Histogram Equalization (CLAHE)

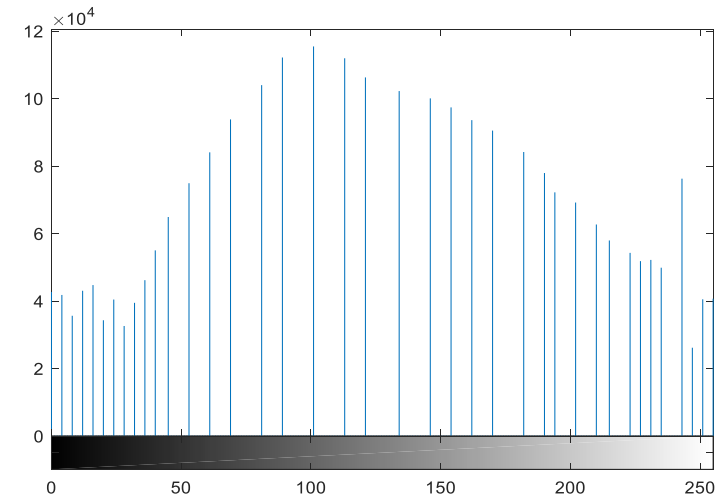
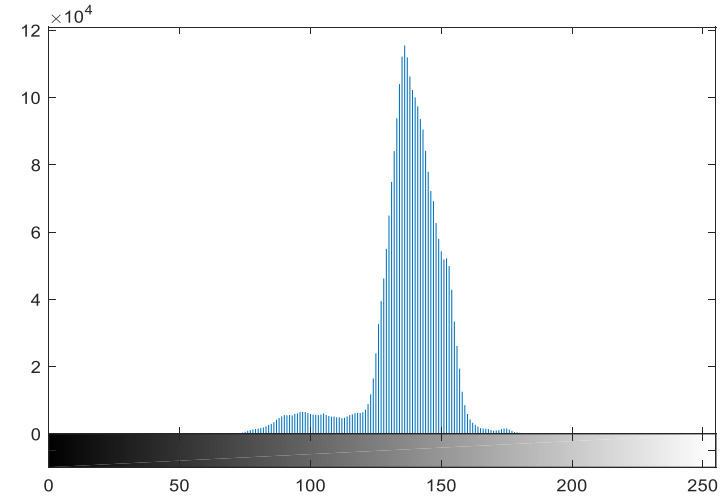


# Key problem of HE

$$s = T(r) = (L - 1) \int_0^r p_r(w) dw = (L - 1) \sum_{j=0}^k p_r(r_j) = (L - 1) \sum_{j=0}^k \frac{n_j}{MN} = \frac{L - 1}{MN} \sum_{j=0}^k n_j$$



# Key problem of HE

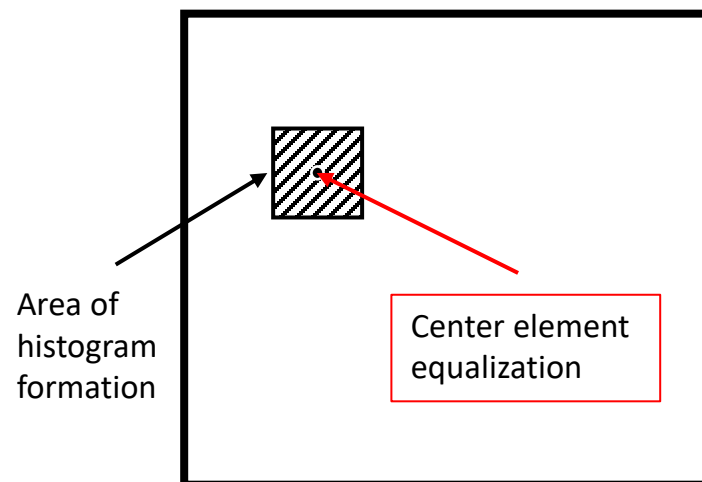


# Adaptive Histogram Equalization

- Traverse every pixel with a  $W * W$  patch, process histogram equalization within each patch and update the center pixel.
- Advantage: better uniform distributed histogram.
- Disadvantage: high complexity

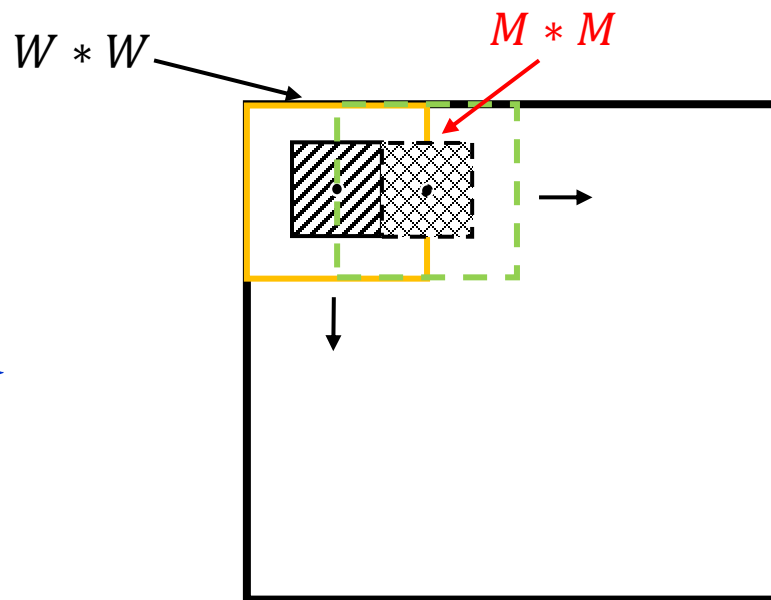
$O(W * W + L)$  within each patch

$O(M * N * (W * W + L))$  for whole image

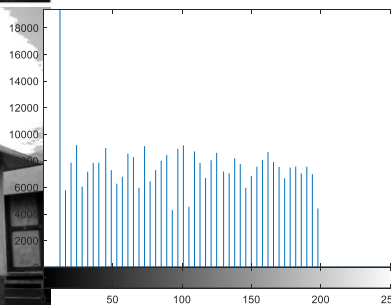
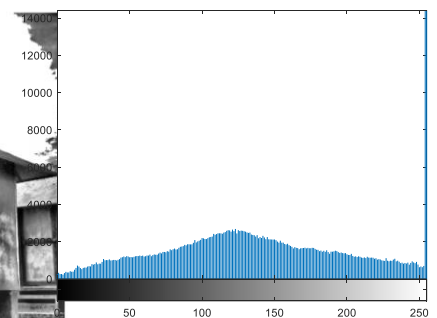
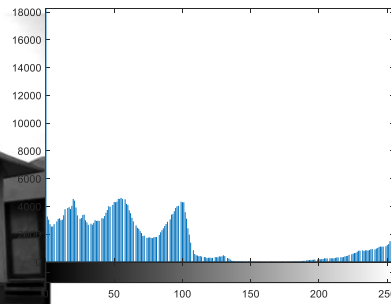


# Adaptive Histogram Equalization

- ❑ For faster processing AHE, it is proposed to update a center patch of size  $M * M$  instead of just the center pixel in each HE in each within the  $W * W$  patch HE.
- ❑ Pixels near the image boundary have to be treated specially, This can be solved by extending the image by mirroring pixel lines and columns with respect to the image boundary.



# Effect of AHE



# Contrast Limited Adaptive Histogram Equalization (CLAHE)

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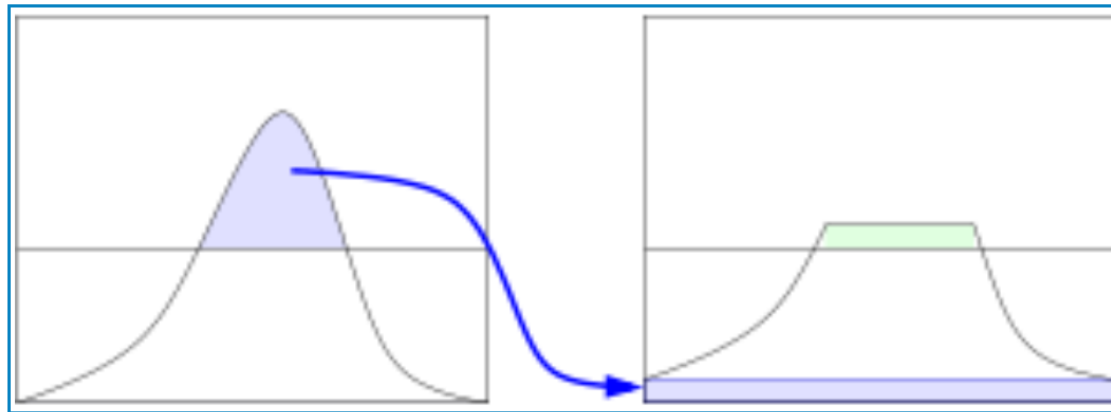
- ❑ CLAHE differs from naive AHE in its contrast limiting.
- ❑ CLAHE was developed to prevent the over amplification of noise that AHE can give rise to.
- ❑ This feature can also be applied to global histogram equalization, giving rise to contrast limited histogram equalization.



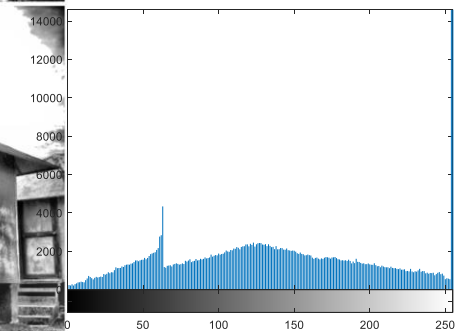
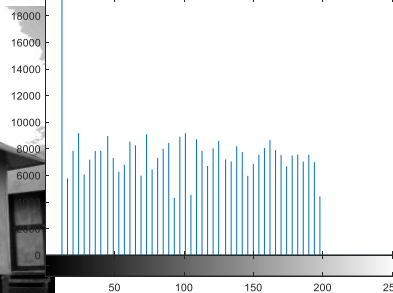
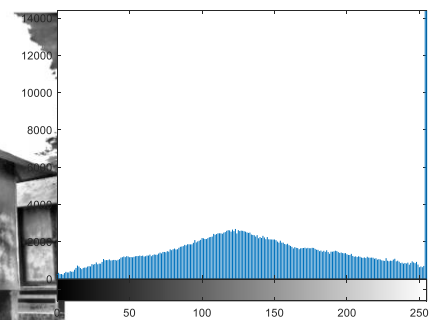
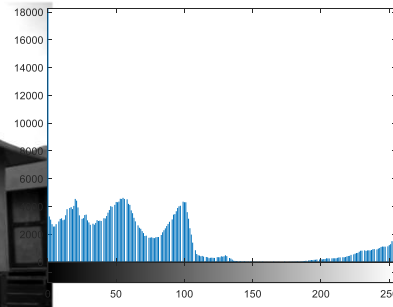


# CLAHE

- ❑ CLAHE limits the amplification by clipping the histogram at a predefined value before computing the CDF.
- ❑ This limits the slope of the CDF and therefore of the transformation function.
- ❑ The so-called clip limit depends on the normalization of the histogram and thereby on the size of the neighborhood region.

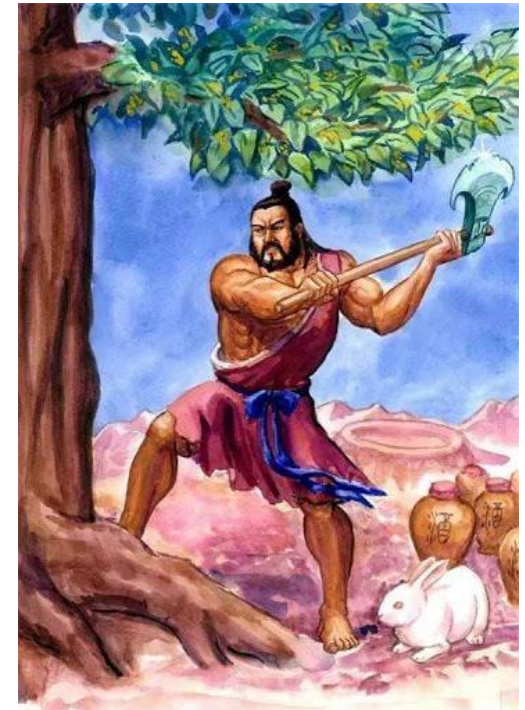
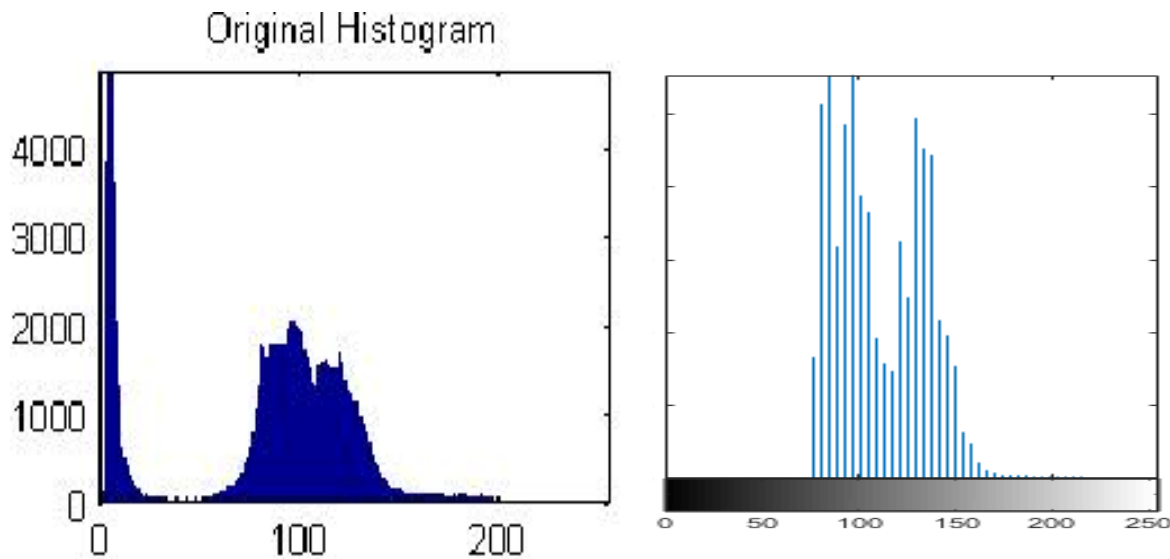


# CLAHE



# Take home message

- ❑ Key idea: AHE&CLAHE was developed to prevent the over amplification of noise.

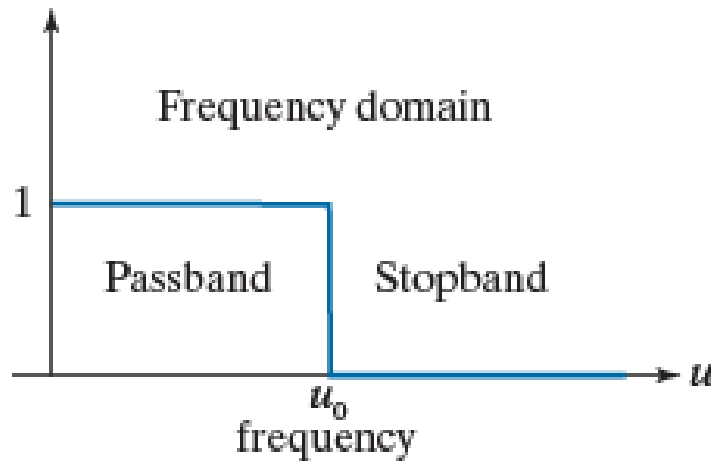


# Spatial filtering (2)

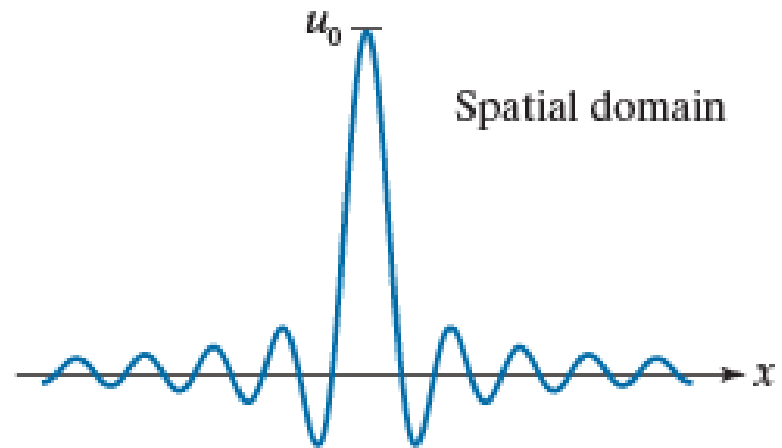
- ❑ Some other perspectives on spatial filtering
- ❑ Sobel Filter
- ❑ Unsharpen Filter (非锐化掩蔽)
- ❑ LoG Filter
  - - useful for finding edges
  - - also useful for finding blobs



# Filtering in frequency domain and spatial domain



Ideal 1D LP filter



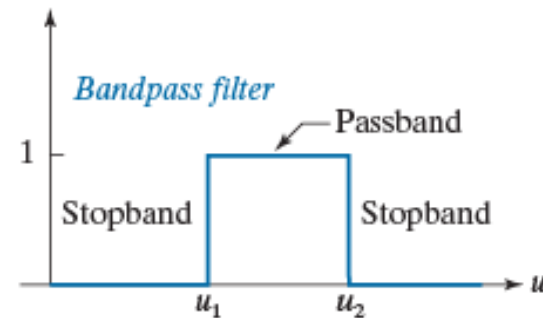
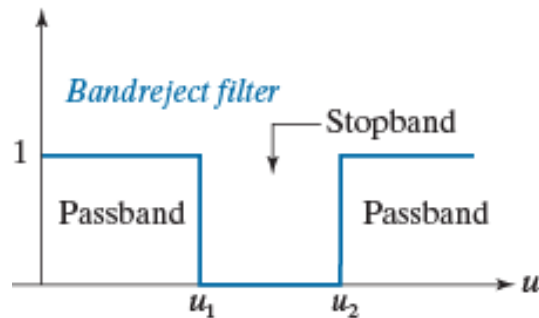
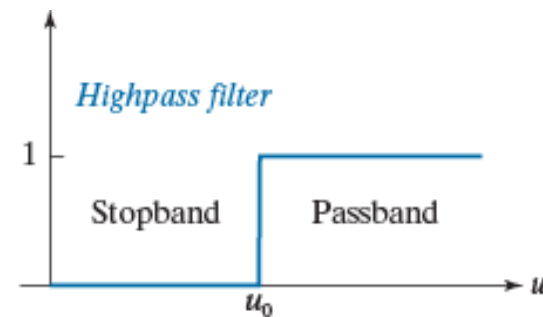
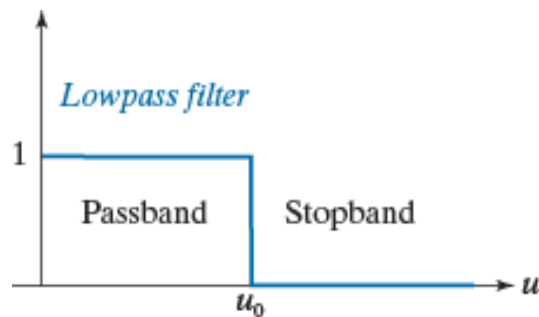
Ideal 1D LP filter kernel in spatial domain

**Q: Is ideal filter really ideal for image processing?**



# Filtering in frequency domain and spatial domain

## □ 4 types of filters



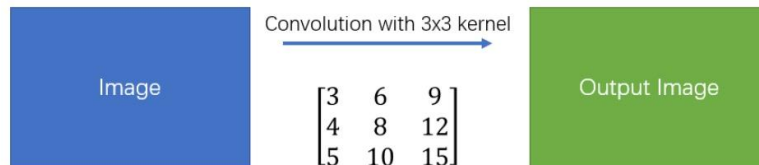
# Separable filter kernels

□ Example: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & 9 \\ 4 & 8 & 12 \\ 5 & 10 & 15 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \times [1 \quad 2 \quad 3]$$

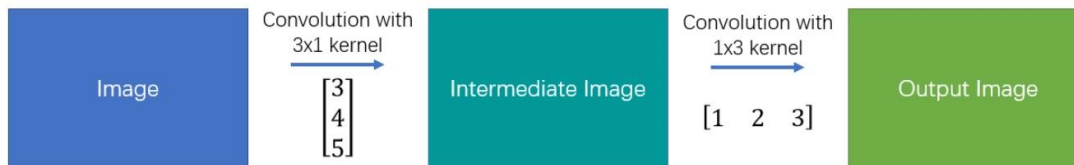
$$w = ab^T$$

$$w \star f = (w_1 \star w_2) \star f = (w_2 \star w_1) \star f = w_2 \star (w_1 \star f) = (w_1 \star f) \star w_2$$

Simple Convolution



Spatial Separable Convolution



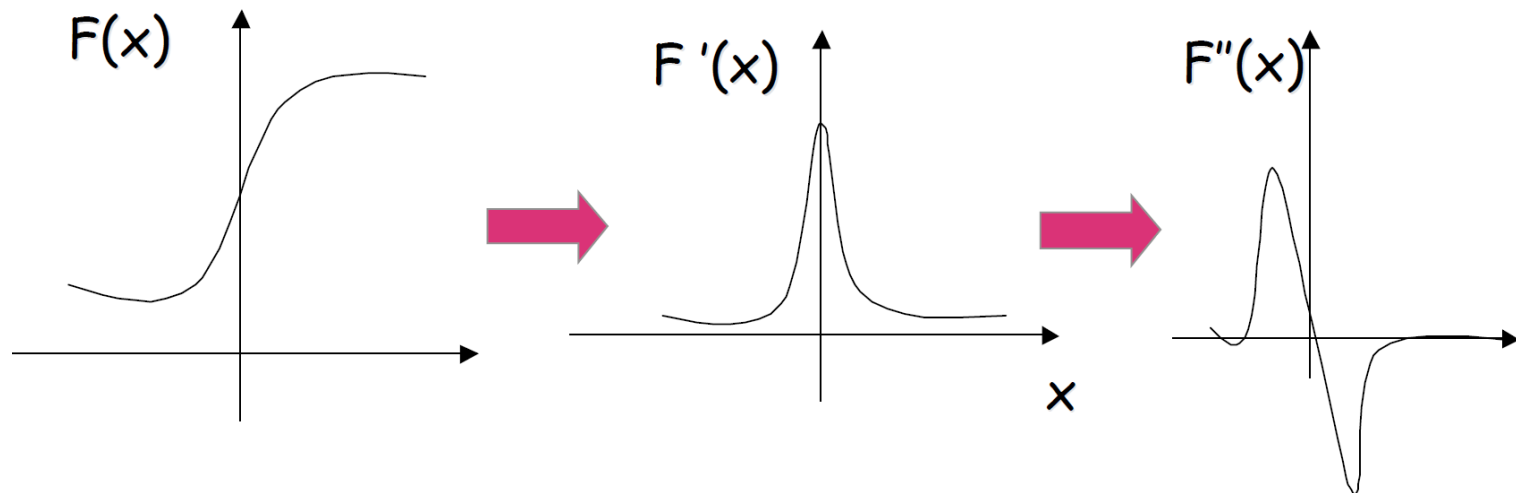
Computational advantage:

$$C = \frac{MNmn}{MN(m+n)} = \frac{mn}{(m+n)}$$



# Recall: First & Second-Derivative filters

- ❑ Sharp changes in gray level of the input image corresponds to “peaks or valleys” of the first-derivative of the input signal.
- ❑ Peaks or valleys of the first derivative of the input signal, correspond to “zero-crossings” of the second-derivative of the input signal.





# Laplacian(拉普拉斯算子)

For an image function  $f(x, y)$ ,

$$\text{X direction: } \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = f(x+1, y) + f(x-1, y) - 2f(x, y)$$

$$\text{Y direction: } \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y+1) + f(x, y-1) - 2f(x, y)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla^2 f(x, y) &= \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \\ &= f(x, y+1) + f(x, y-1) + f(x+1, y) + f(x-1, y) - 4f(x, y)\end{aligned}$$



# Laplacian Filter Masks

$$\nabla^2 f(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y + 1) + f(x, y - 1) + f(x + 1, y) + f(x - 1, y) - 4f(x, y)$$

0	1	0
1	-4	1
0	1	0

1	1	1
1	-8	1
1	1	1

0	-1	0
-1	4	-1
0	-1	0

-1	-1	-1
-1	8	-1
-1	-1	-1



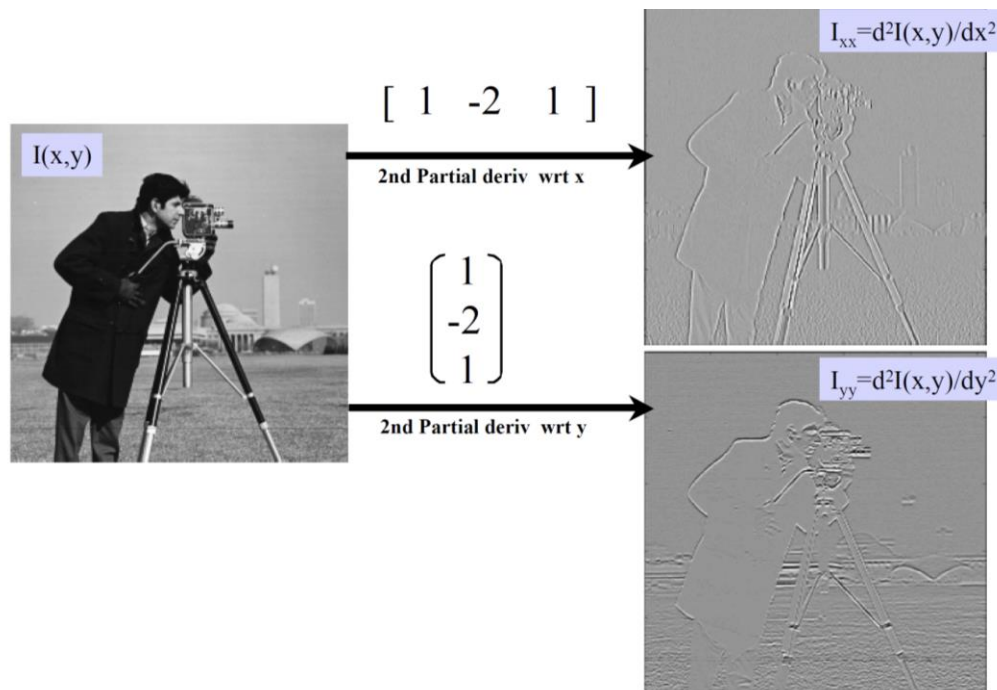
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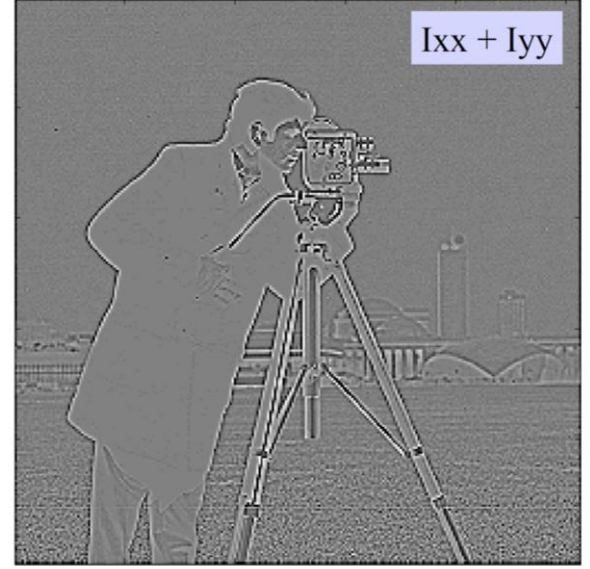
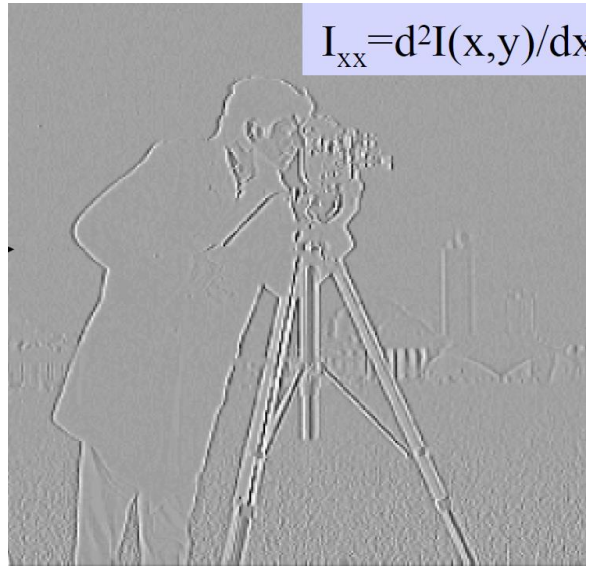
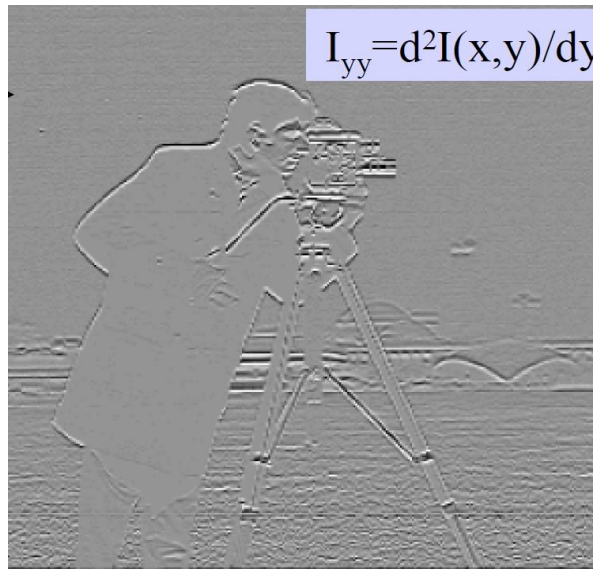
X direction:  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = f(x+1, y) + f(x-1, y) - 2f(x, y)$

Y direction:  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y+1) + f(x, y-1) - 2f(x, y)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} & & & \\ & & 1_{xx} & \\ & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ & & & \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad 1_{yy}$$



# Laplacian



# Gradient(梯度)

The first-order derivative of  $f(x, y)$ :  $\nabla f \equiv \text{grad}(f) \equiv \begin{cases} g_x \\ g_y \end{cases} = \begin{cases} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \end{cases}$

The amplitude:  $M(x, y) = \text{mag}(\nabla f) = \sqrt{g_x^2 + g_y^2}$

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



# Gradient(梯度)

- Roberts cross-gradient operator (罗伯特交叉梯度算子)

$$M(x, y) \approx |g_x| + |g_y|$$
$$= |z_9 - z_5| + |z_8 - z_6|$$

$z_1$	$z_2$	$z_3$
$z_4$	$z_5$	$z_6$
$z_7$	$z_8$	$z_9$

-1	0	0	-1
0	1	1	0



# Gradient(梯度)

## ➤ Sobel operator (Sobel算子)

$$M(x, y) = |(z_7 + 2z_8 + z_9) - (z_1 + 2z_2 + z_3)| \\ + |(z_3 + 2z_6 + z_9) - (z_1 + 2z_4 + z_7)|$$

$z_1$	$z_2$	$z_3$
$z_4$	$z_5$	$z_6$
$z_7$	$z_8$	$z_9$

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

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

Q: How to really understand Sobel operator? What are the functions?



# Sobel operator





# The Notes about the Laplacian

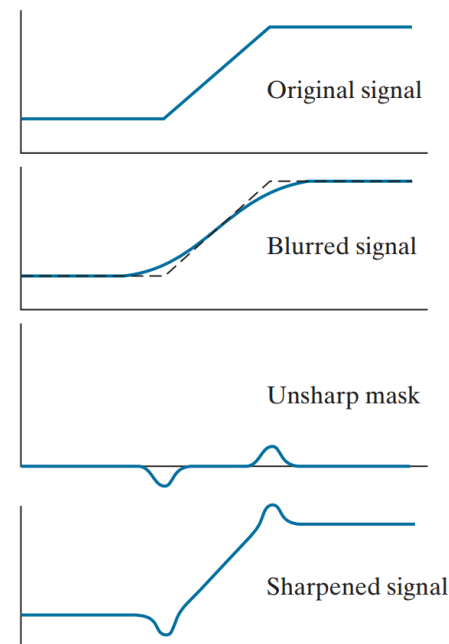
- $\nabla^2 I(x, y)$  is a SCALAR
  - ↑ Can be found using a SINGLE mask
  - ↓ Orientation information is lost
- $\nabla^2 I(x, y)$  is the sum of SECOND-order derivatives
  - But taking derivatives increases noise.
  - Very noise sensitive!
- It is always combined with a smoothing operation.



# Unsharpen Mask(非锐化掩蔽)

$$g_{\text{mask}}(x, y) = f(x, y) - \overline{f(x, y)}$$

$$g(x, y) = f(x, y) + k * g_{\text{mask}}(x, y)$$



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# Laplacian of Gaussian (LoG) Filter

➤ First smooth (Gaussian filter),

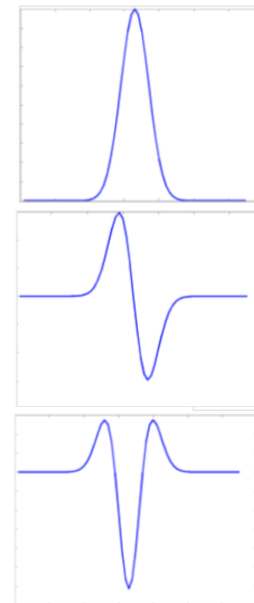
➤ Then, find zero-crossings (Laplacian filter):

$$\nabla^2 (G(x, y))$$

$$G(x, y) = e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

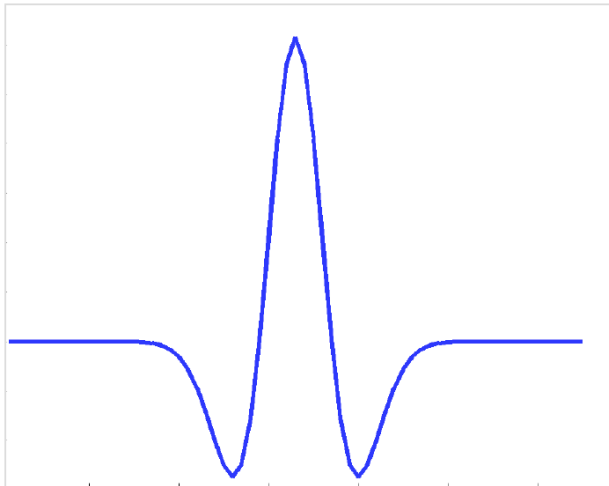
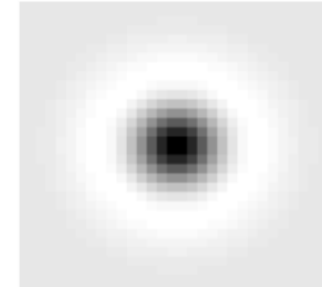
$$G'(x, y) = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} 2(x + y) e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}} = -\frac{x + y}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$G''(x, y) = -\frac{1}{\pi\sigma^4} \left(1 - \frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

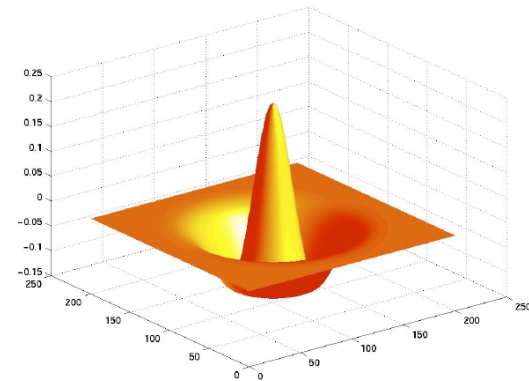


# Second derivative of a Gaussian

$$G''(x, y) = -\frac{1}{\pi\sigma^4} \left(1 - \frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$



2D  
analog  
➡



LoG "Mexican Hat"



# Effect of LoG Filter

Sigma = 1



Sigma = 4



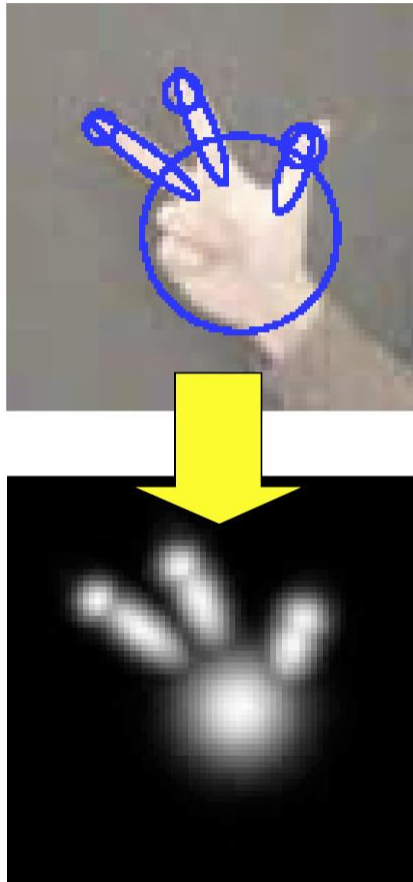
Sigma = 10



Band-Pass Filter (suppresses both high and low frequencies)



# Application of LoG Filter



Gesture recognition for  
the ultimate couch potato



# Matlab practice: spatial filtering

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w = fspecial('type', parameters)
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g = imfilter(f, w, 'replicate')
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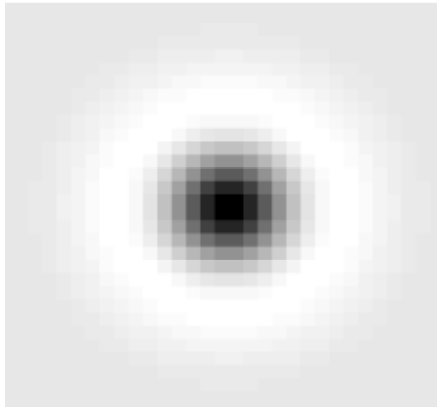
- ❑ See some examples.
- ❑ Then practice by yourself...



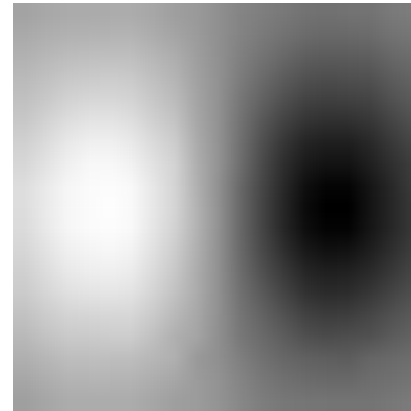
# Take home message

- ❑ **Key idea:** Cross correlation with a filter can be viewed as comparing a little “picture” of what you want to find against all local regions in the image.

**LoG**



**Derivative of Gaussian**





# Take home message

