

Computer Vision I

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Linear operators

Lemma 1. An operator $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^{[n_0] \times [n_1]} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{[n_0] \times [n_1]}$ is **linear** if and only if there exist $a: ([n_0] \times [n_1])^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $b: [n_0] \times [n_1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that for any (image) $f \in \mathbb{R}^{[n_0] \times [n_1]}$ and any (pixel) $(x, y) \in [n_0] \times [n_1]$ we have

$$\varphi(f)(x, y) = \sum_{j=0}^{n_0-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n_1-1} a_{xyjk} f(j, k) + b_{xy} . \quad (1)$$

$$\varphi(f)(x, y) = \begin{array}{c} \square \\ a_{xy..} \end{array} \cdot \begin{array}{c} \square \\ f \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \square \\ b_{xy} \end{array}$$

More restrictive than such an operator with $(n_0 n_1)^2 + (n_0 n_1)$ coefficients is:

$$\varphi(f)(x, y) = \begin{array}{c} \square \\ g_{xy} \end{array} \cdot \begin{array}{c} \square \\ \bullet (x, y) \\ S_{xy} f \end{array} + 0$$

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Even more restrictive is the typical setting in which we are given $m_0, m_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ and $g: [m_0] \times [m_1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(f)(x, y) &= \begin{array}{c} \square \\ g \end{array} \cdot \begin{array}{c} \square \\ \bullet (x, y) \\ S_{xy}f \end{array} + 0 \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{m_0-1} \sum_{k=0}^{m_1-1} g(j, k) f \left(x + j - \lfloor \frac{m_0-1}{2} \rfloor, y + k - \lfloor \frac{m_1-1}{2} \rfloor \right) \end{aligned}$$

Remark 1.

1. f needs to be extended in order for $\varphi(f)$ to be well-defined.
2. g defines the linear operator $\varphi =: \varphi_g$ uniquely.
3. g is itself a digital image.
4. The application of operators φ_g to images f defines a binary operation $f \otimes g := \varphi_g(f)$.

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Definition 1. For the set $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z}}$ of all functions from \mathbb{Z} to \mathbb{R} , **convolution** is the operation $*$: $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z}} \times \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z}}$ such that for any $f, g: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and any $t \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$(f * g)(t) = \sum_{s=-\infty}^{\infty} f(t+s)g(-s) . \quad (2)$$

For the set $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}}$ of all functions from $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ to \mathbb{R} , **convolution** is the operation $*$: $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}} \times \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}}$ such that for any $f, g: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and any $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$:

$$(f * g)(x, y) = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x+j, y+k)g(-j, -k) . \quad (3)$$

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Lemma 2. For any $f, g, h \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}}$ and any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, we have:

$$f * g = g * f \quad (\text{commutativity}) \quad (4)$$

$$f * (g * h) = (f * g) * h \quad (\text{associativity}) \quad (5)$$

$$f * (g + h) = (f * g) + (f * h) \quad (\text{distributivity}) \quad (6)$$

$$\alpha(f * g) = (\alpha f) * g \quad (\text{associativity with } \cdot) \quad (7)$$

Definition 2. For any $C \neq \emptyset$, the operator $X : \bigcup_{n_0, n_1 \in \mathbb{N}} C^{[n_0] \times [n_1]} \rightarrow C^{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}}$ such that for any $n_0, n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$, any $f : [n_0] \times [n_1] \rightarrow C$ and any $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ we have

$$X(f)(x, y) = \begin{cases} f(x, y) & \text{if } (x, y) \in [n_0] \times [n_1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

is called the **infinite 0-extension** of digital images.

Definition 3. For any $C \neq \emptyset$ and any $n_0, n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$, the map $R_{n_0, n_1} : C^{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow C^{[n_0] \times [n_1]}$ such that for any $f : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow C$ and any $(x, y) \in [n_0] \times [n_1]$, we have $R_n(f)(x, y) = f(x, y)$ is called the **(n_0, n_1) -restriction** of infinite digital images.

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Definition 4. For any $j, k \in \mathbb{Z}$, the operator $S_{jk}: C^{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow C^{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}}$ such that for any $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have $S_{jk}(f)(x, y) = f(x + j, y + k)$ is called the (x, y) -**shift** of infinite digital images.

Definition 5. The operator $L: C^{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow C^{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}}$ such that for any $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have $L(f)(x, y) = f(-x, -y)$ is called the **reflection** of infinite digital images.

Definition 6. For any $n_0, n_1, m_0, m_1 \in \mathbb{N}$, any $f \in C^{[n_0] \times [n_1]}$, any $g \in C^{[m_0] \times [m_1]}$, $d_0 = -\lfloor \frac{m_0-1}{2} \rfloor$ and $d_1 = -\lfloor \frac{m_1-1}{2} \rfloor$, the **convolution** of f and g is defined as

$$f * g := R_{n_0 n_1}(X(f) * S_{d_0 d_1}(X(g))) \quad (9)$$

Lemma 3. For any $n_0, n_1, m_0, m_1 \in \mathbb{N}$, any $f \in C^{[n_0] \times [n_1]}$ and any $g \in C^{[m_0] \times [m_1]}$:

$$f \otimes g = f * L(g) \quad (10)$$

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Definition 7. For any $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ and any $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$ (typically: $m \geq 3\sigma$), for the function

$$w: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: t \mapsto e^{-\frac{t^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad (11)$$

and the number

$$N := \sum_{j=-m}^m w(j) , \quad (12)$$

the functions

$$g_0: [2m+1] \times [1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: (x, 0) \mapsto \frac{w(j-m)}{N} \quad (13)$$

$$g_1: [1] \times [2m+1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: (0, y) \mapsto \frac{w(j-m)}{N} \quad (14)$$

are called **Gaussian averaging filters**.

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$f * g_0 * g_1$



$\sigma = 3.0$
 $m = 9$

$f * g_0 * g_1$



$\sigma = 10.0$
 $m = 30$

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$2f - (f * g_0 * g_1)$



$\sigma = 1.0$

$m = 3$

Definition 8. The **discrete derivatives** of an infinite digital image $f: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are defined as

$$\partial_0 f := g * d_0 \quad (15)$$

$$\partial_1 f := g * d_1 \quad (16)$$

with

$$d_0 = \frac{1}{2}(1, 0, -1) \quad (17)$$

$$d_1 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (18)$$

The **discrete gradient** is defined as

$$\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_0 f \\ \partial_1 f \end{pmatrix}, \quad (19)$$

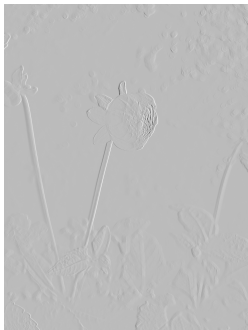
and $|\nabla f| = \sqrt{(\partial_0 f)^2 + (\partial_1 f)^2}$ is commonly referred to as its **magnitude**.

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$f * d_0$



$f * d_1$



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$$\sqrt{(f * d_0)^2 + (f * d_1)^2}$$

