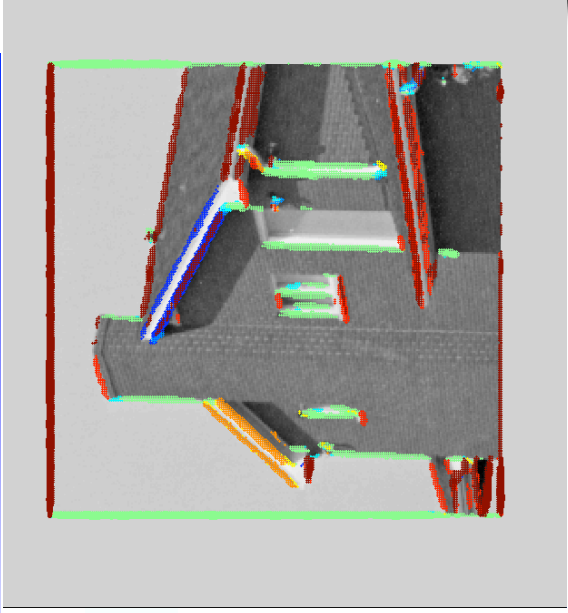


What are channels?

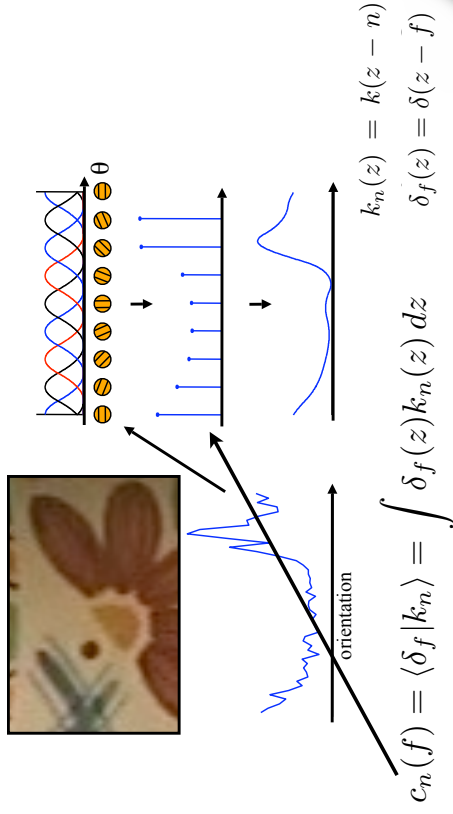


Adaptive Filtering using Channel Representations

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Channel Representation



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Relation to Density Estimation

- Adding channel representation of samples = sampled kernel density estimation

$$c_n = (\delta_f \star k)(n) = \int \delta_f(z') k(z' - z) dz' \Big|_{z=n}$$

$$E\{c_n(f)\} = (p_f \star k)(n)$$

First Application

- Line/edge detection by approximated entropy

$$\tilde{H}(\mathbf{x}) = - \sum_{n=1, c_n(\mathbf{x}) \neq 0}^N c_n(\mathbf{x}) \log c_n(\mathbf{x})$$

$$E\{\tilde{H}\} = H_{B_2 * p}$$

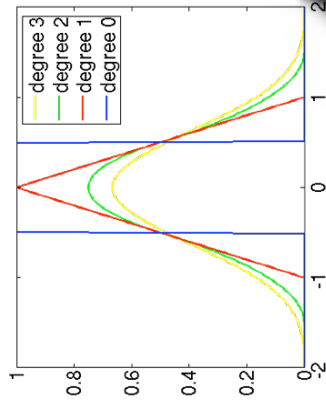
B-Spline Encoding

- The value of the n -th channel is obtained by $c_n(f) = B_2(f - n)$ $n = 1 \dots N$ (f is shifted and rescaled such that the channels are at integer positions)

Algorithm 1 Channel encoding algorithm.

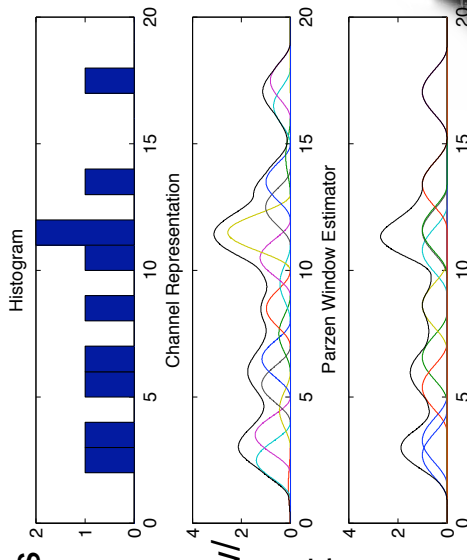
Require: $f \in [1.5; N - 0.5]$

- 1: $c \leftarrow 0$
- 2: **for all** samples f **do**
- 3: $i \leftarrow \text{round}(f)$
- 4: $g \leftarrow f - i$
- 5: $c_{i-1} \leftarrow c_{i-1} + (g - 1/2)^2 / 2$
- 6: $c_i \leftarrow c_i + 3/4 - g^2$
- 7: $c_{i+1} \leftarrow c_{i+1} + (g + 1/2)^2 / 2$
- 8: **end for**

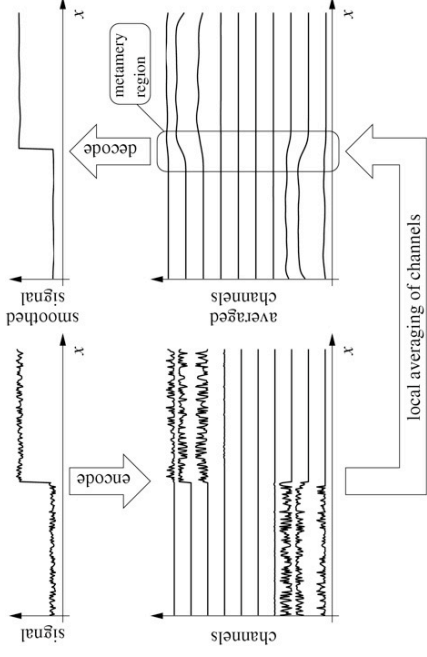


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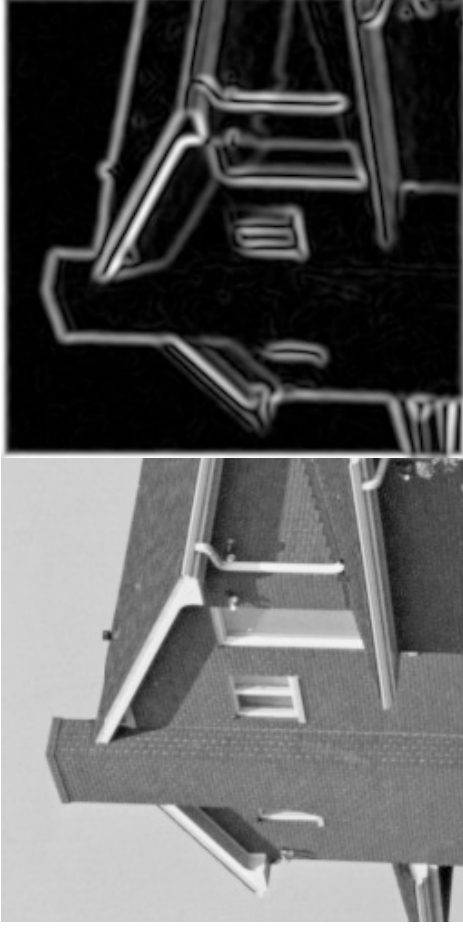
- soft histograms
- frame vector projections
- different from Parzen window/kernel density estimators (not located at samples)



Channel Smoothing



Edge-Energy



Decoding

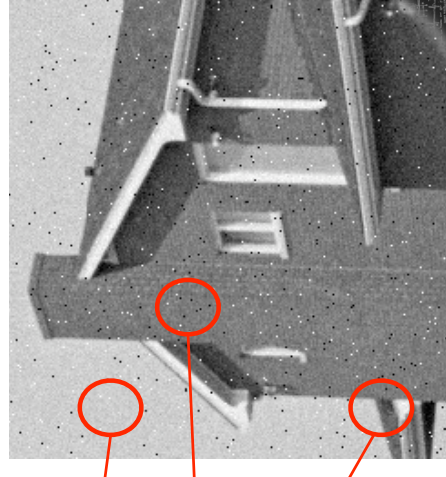
- Choose n_0 :
 - Largest response of 3-box filter
 - Additional: local maximum
 - Normalized convolution of the channel vector

$$M_n = c_{n-1} + c_n + c_{n+1} \quad n_0 = \arg \max M_n$$

$$\hat{f} = \frac{c_{n_0+1} - c_{n_0-1}}{M_{n_0}} + n_0$$

Problem: Image Denoising

- Real data is noisy and discontinuous
 - Inlier noise
 - Outlier noise
 - Image discontinuities

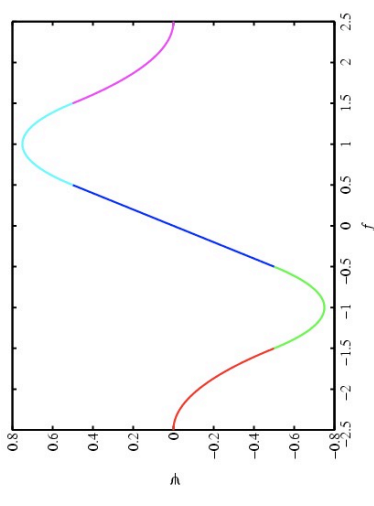


Quadratic Decoding I

- Idea: detect local maximum of B-spline interpolated channel vector
- Step 1: recursive filtering to obtain interpolation coefficients:

$$\begin{aligned} c_n^+ &= c_n + hc_{n-1}^+, & c_1^+ &= c_1 \\ c_n^- &= h(c_{n+1}^- - c_n^+), & c_N^- &= \frac{h}{h^2 - 1} c_N^+ \\ c_n' &= 8c_n^- . & h &= 2\sqrt{2} - 3 \end{aligned}$$

Influence Function of C.R.



Obtained from linear decoding:

$$\psi(f) = B_2(f-1) - B_2(f+1)$$

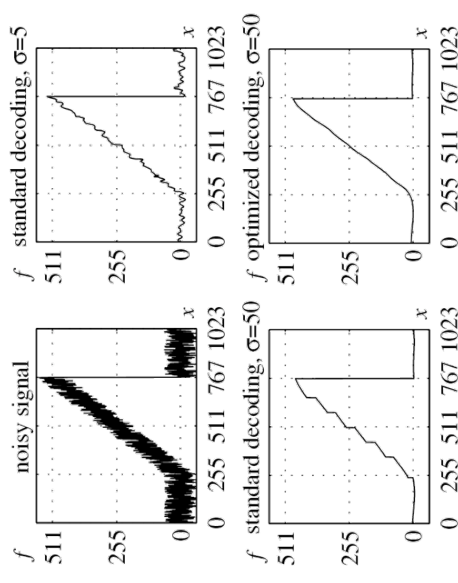
$$\hat{f} = \frac{cn_0 + 1 - cn_0 - 1}{M_{n_0}} + n_0$$

Quadratic Decoding II

- Step 2: detect zeros

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \lambda \beta_n^2 + \mu \beta_n + \nu \quad \text{with} \\ \lambda &= (c'_{n_0-2} - 2c'_{n_0-1} + 2c'_{n_0+1} - c'_{n_0+2})/2 \\ \mu &= (-c'_{n_0-2} + 2c'_{n_0} - c'_{n_0+2})/2 \\ \nu &= (c'_{n_0-2} + 6c'_{n_0-1} - 6c'_{n_0+1} - c'_{n_0+2})/8 \end{aligned}$$

Quantization Effect





Quadratic Decoding III

–Step 3: compute error

$$E(n) = \frac{23}{24} + \beta_n v + \beta_n^2 \mu / 2 + \beta_n^3 \lambda / 3$$

Rule of thumb: $+ 24c'_{n_0-1} + 46c'_{n_0} + 24c'_{n_0-1} + c'_{n_0-2}$

• Few channels (e.g. 8): quadratic decoding

• Many channels (e.g. 32): linear decoding

–Step 4: sort $n + \beta_n$ according to their error
($n + \beta_n$ with least error is most probable)

–Step 5: shift and rescale to original interval



Quadratic Decoding II

–Step 2: detect zeros

$$\beta_n = \frac{-\mu/2 + \sqrt{\mu^2/4 - v\lambda}}{\lambda}$$



Quadratic Decoding III

–Step 3: compute error

$$E(n) = \frac{23}{24} + \beta_n v + \beta_n^2 \mu / 2 + \beta_n^3 \lambda / 3$$
$$= \frac{c'_{n_0-2} + 24c'_{n_0-1} + 46c'_{n_0} + 24c'_{n_0-1} + c'_{n_0-2}}{48}$$

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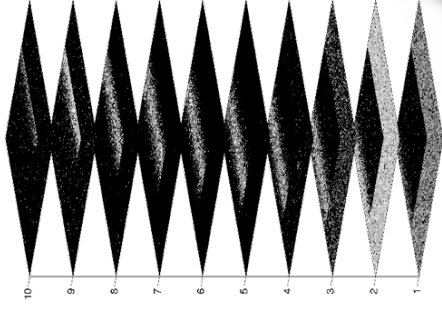
Algorithm 2 Virtual shift decoding algorithm.

Require: \mathbf{c} is non-negative and normalized

- 1: **if** periodic domain **then**
- 2: $\mathbf{c} \leftarrow \text{IDFT}_N(8(\text{DFT}_N([6 \ 1 \ 0 \dots 0 \ 1]_N))^{-1} \text{DFT}_N(\mathbf{c}))$
- 3: $\mathbf{c} \leftarrow [c_{N-1} \ c_N \ c_1 \ c_2]^T$
- 4: **else**
- 5: $h \leftarrow 2\sqrt{2} - 3$
- 6: **for** $n = 2$ to N **do**
- 7: $c_n \leftarrow c_n + hc_{n-1}$
- 8: **end for**
- 9: $c_N \leftarrow 8 \frac{h}{h^2-1} c_N$
- 10: **for** $n = N-1$ to 1 **do**
- 11: $c_n \leftarrow h(c_{n+1} - 8c_n)$
- 12: **end for**
- 13: **end if**
- 14: $\lambda \leftarrow \text{conv}(\mathbf{c}, [-\frac{1}{2} \ 1 \ 0 \ -1 \ \frac{1}{2}])$
- 15: $\mu \leftarrow \text{conv}(\mathbf{c}, [-\frac{1}{2} \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ -\frac{1}{2}])$
- 16: $\mathbf{v} \leftarrow \text{conv}(\mathbf{c}, [-\frac{3}{8} \ -\frac{3}{4} \ 0 \ \frac{3}{4} \ \frac{3}{8}])$
- 17: $\beta \leftarrow (-\mu/2 + \sqrt{\mu^2/4 - v\lambda}) / \lambda$
- 18: $\gamma \leftarrow \text{conv}(\mathbf{c}, [\frac{1}{48} \ \frac{5}{24} \ \frac{1}{24} \ \frac{1}{48}])$
- 19: $\mathbf{f} \leftarrow \beta + [1 \ 2 \dots N]$
- 20: $\mathbf{E} \leftarrow \frac{23}{24} + (-1 < 2\beta < 1) \cdot (\beta \cdot \mathbf{v} + \beta^2 \cdot \mu / 2 + \beta^3 \cdot \lambda / 3 - \gamma)$



Channel Smoothing

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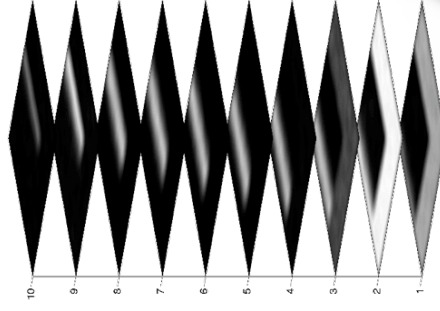
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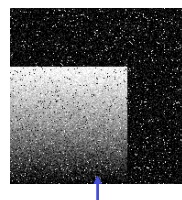
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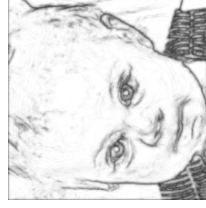
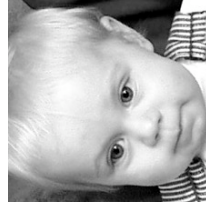
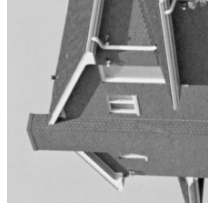
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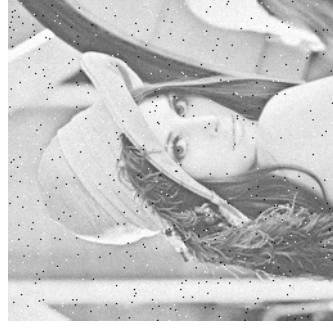
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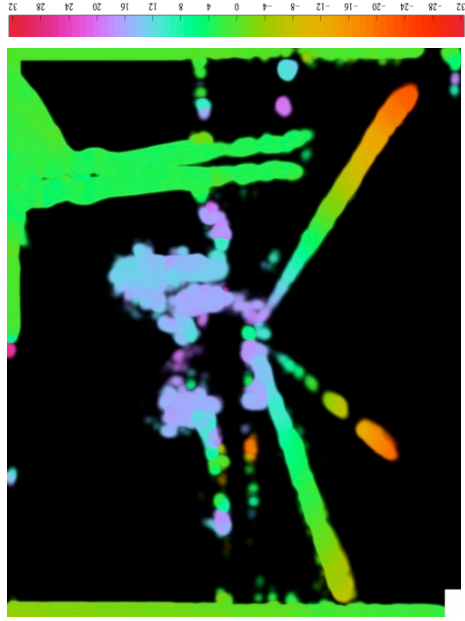




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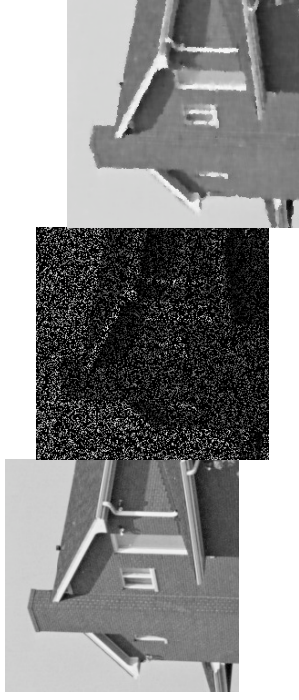


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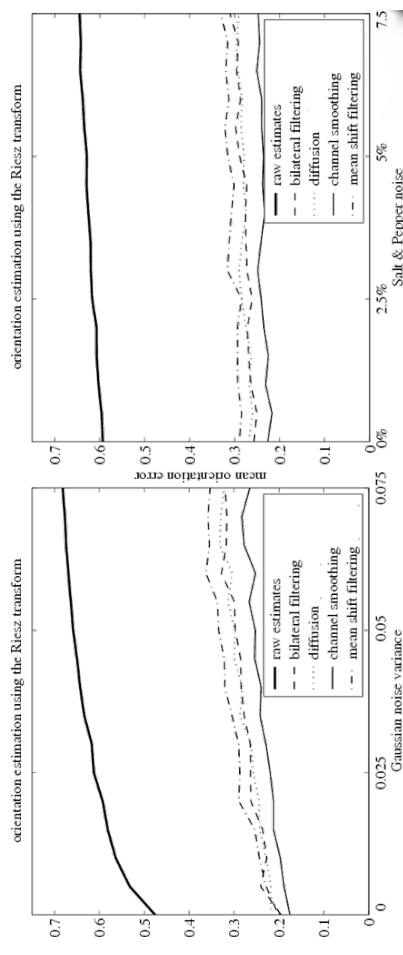


Random Sample Reconstruction

- Real data is incomplete
- Strong regularization required



Orientation Estimation





Channel Smoothing Parameters

- At least two parameters: channel resolution and averaging kernel
- Channel resolution estimated from noise level
- Kernel a la Wiener
- Possibly different parameter for each channel

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alpha-Synthesis

- linear B-spline decoding

$$M_n = c_{n-1} + c_n + c_{n+1}$$

$$n_0 = \arg \max M_n$$

$$\hat{f} = \frac{c_{n_0+1} - c_{n_0-1}}{M_{n_0}} + n_0$$

$$\hat{f}_r = \frac{c_{n_r+1} - c_{n_r-1}}{M_{n_r}} + n_r$$

$$\hat{f} = \frac{\sum_r \hat{f}_r M_{n_r}^\alpha}{\sum_l M_{n_l}^\alpha}$$

- virtual shift decoding

$$\hat{f} = \frac{\sum_n f_n (\frac{23}{24} - E_n)^\alpha}{\sum_n (\frac{23}{24} - E_n)^\alpha}$$

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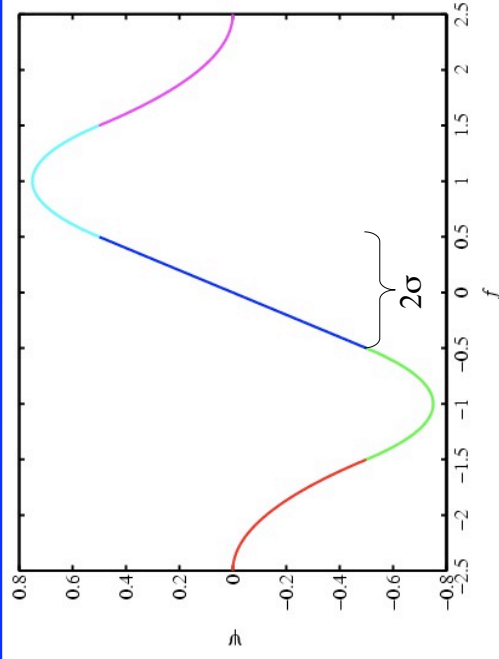
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Channel Resolution



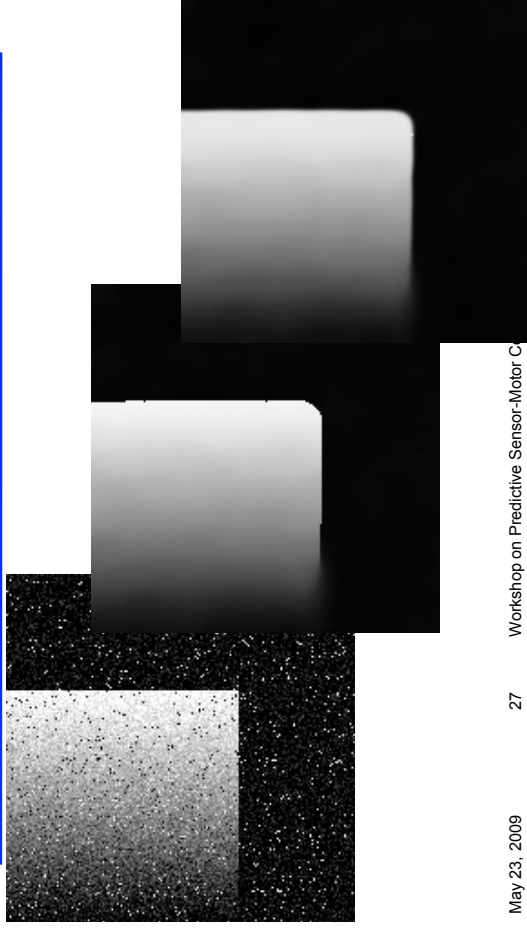
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alpha-Synthesis Result



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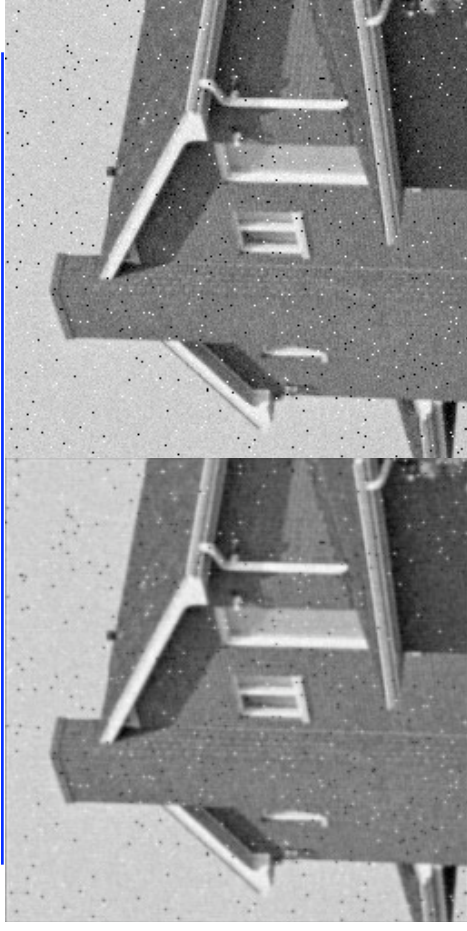
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Experiment 1



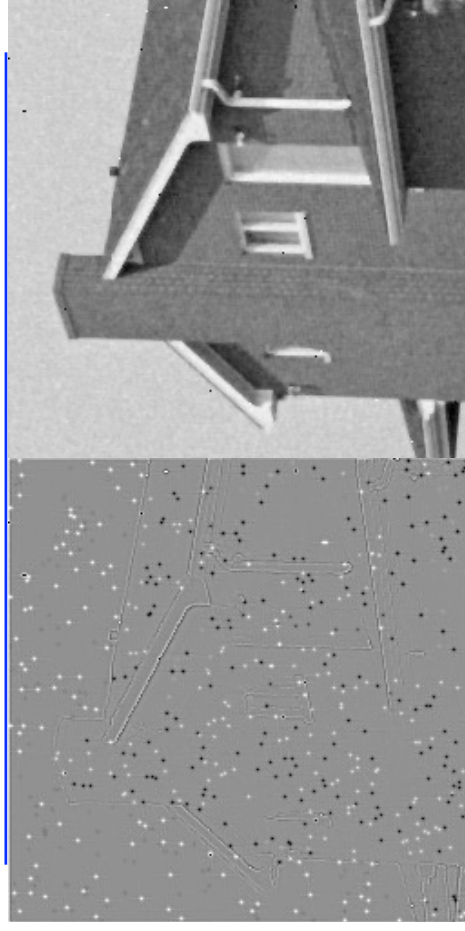
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Masked Normalized Averaging

- Normalized averaging:
$$\hat{f} = \frac{(a * (bf))}{(a * b)}$$
- Averaging filter / applicability: a
- Certainty:
$$b(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \\ 0 & \mathbf{x} \notin \Omega \end{cases}$$
- Mask result:
$$\hat{c}_n = b_n \frac{(a * (b_n c_n))}{(a * b_n)}$$

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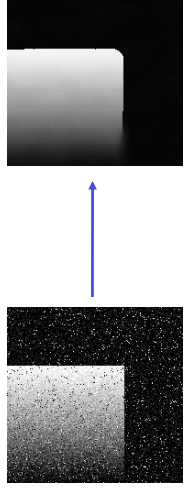
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Channel Smoothing

- Task: Reduce noise without blurring edges
- locally **linear**
- Problem: No consideration of the multidimensional neighborhood structure



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Graph-Cut Channel Smoothing

Algorithm 5 Graph-cut channel smoothing algorithm.

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Binary Graph-Cut

- Solves globally this labeling problem:

$$\hat{f} = \arg \min E(f) = \arg \min E_{\text{smooth}}(f) + E_{\text{data}}(f)$$

- where

$$E_{\text{data}}(f) = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} D_p(f_p)$$

$$E_{\text{smooth}}(f) = \sum_{\{p, q\} \in \mathcal{N}} V_{p, q}(f_p, f_q)$$

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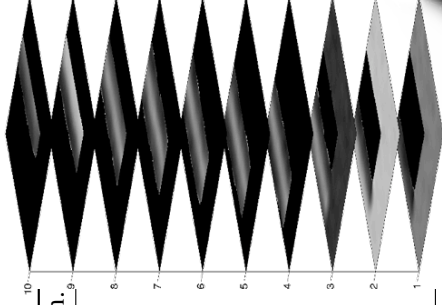
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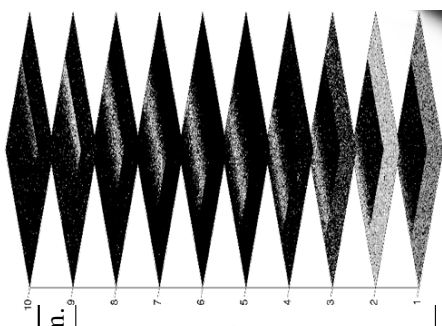
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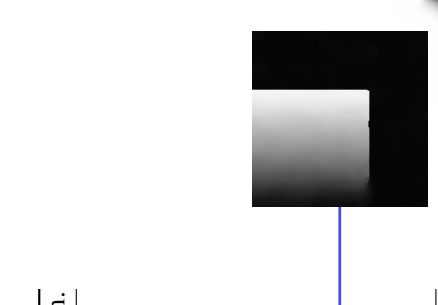
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- 2: $\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{x}) \leftarrow \text{encode}(f(\mathbf{x}))$
- 3: **end for**
- 4: **for** $n = 1$ to N **do**
- 5: $b_n \leftarrow \text{binary_graph_cut}(c_n, \mathcal{N}, \lambda, \theta)$
- 6: $c_n \leftarrow b_n \text{conv2}(b_n, c_n, g\sigma) / \text{conv2}(b_n, g\sigma)$
- 7: **end for**
- 8: **for all** \mathbf{x} **do**
- 9: $[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})] \leftarrow \text{decode}(\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{x}))$
- 10: $i(\mathbf{x}) \leftarrow \arg \max_n E_n(\mathbf{x})$
- 11: $[f(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})] \leftarrow [f_{i(\mathbf{x})}(\mathbf{x}) E_{i(\mathbf{x})}(\mathbf{x})]$
- 12: **end for**

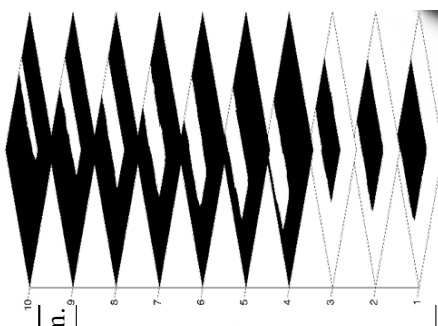
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Graph-Cut Channel Smoothing



Algorithm 5 Graph-cut channel smoothing algorithm.

Require: $f \in [1.5; N - 0.5]$

- 1: **for all** \mathbf{x} **do**
- 2: $\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{x}) \leftarrow \text{encode}(f(\mathbf{x}))$
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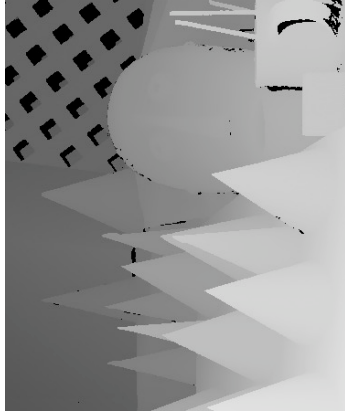
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Evaluation (Middlebury)



Ground truth



GC channel smoothing

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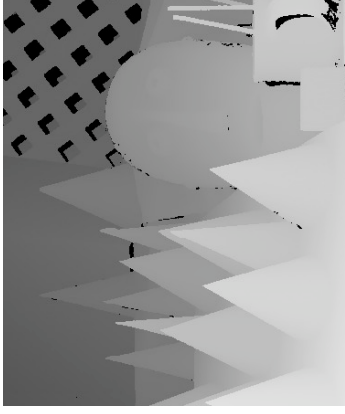
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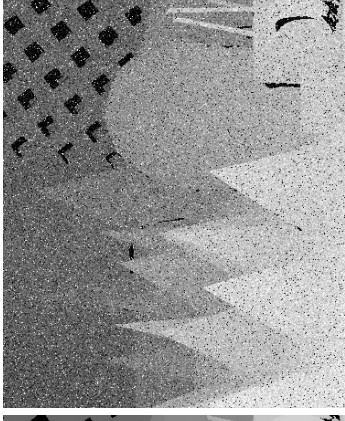
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Evaluation (Middlebury)



Ground truth



Gaussian noise (10% std) and S&P (5%)

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Drawback Channel Smoothing

- no coherence enhancing filtering



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Evaluation (Middlebury)



Ground truth



Channel smoothing

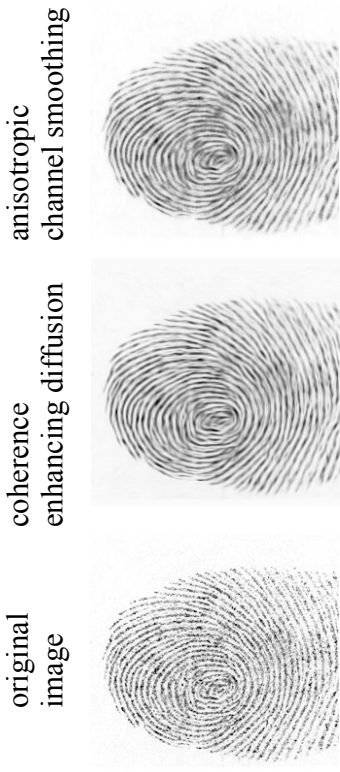
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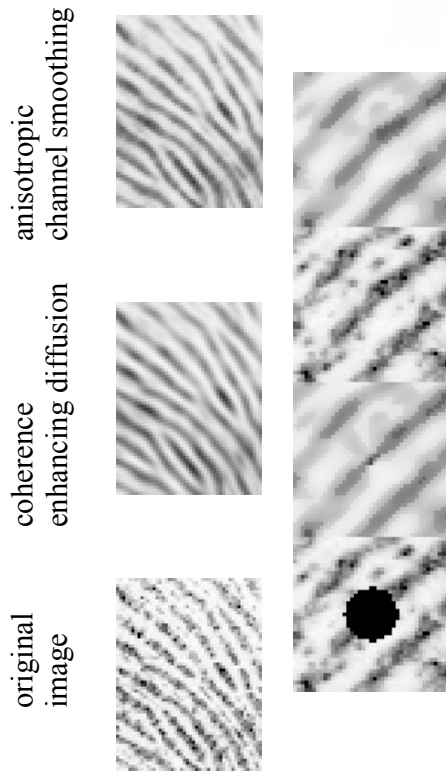
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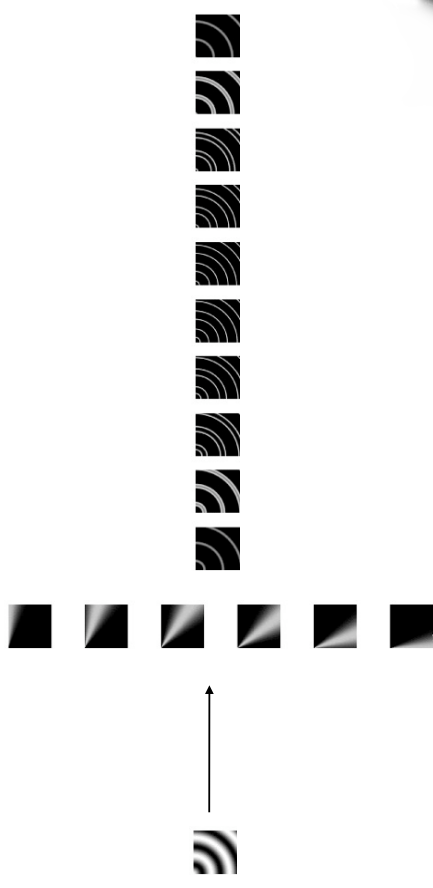
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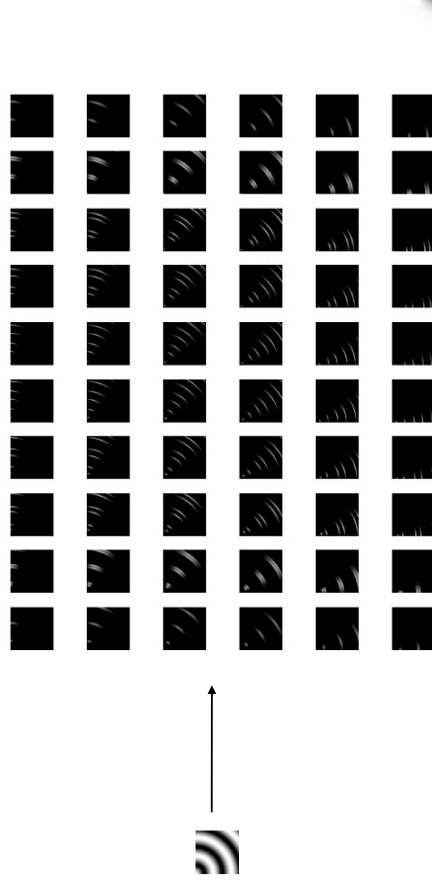
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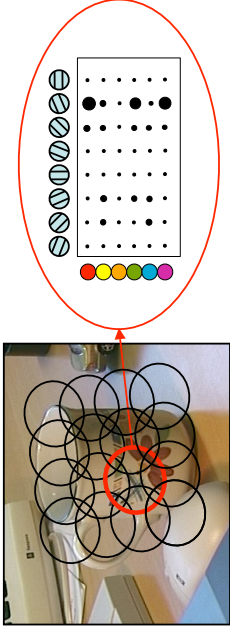
Orientation Adaptive CS



Orientation Adaptive CS



CCFMs

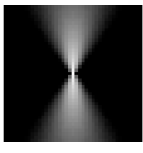


- point-wise encoding

$$c_{l,m,n}(f(x,y), x, y) = k_f(f(x,y) - n)k_x(x-l)k_y(y-m)$$

Filter Adaptation

- Significant improvement by bringing in model knowledge:
 - Perpendicular orientation should not be influenced
 - Polar filter design is appropriate for orientation data
- Model fitting of “hourglass” filter



Different Formulations

- Scalar product / correlation

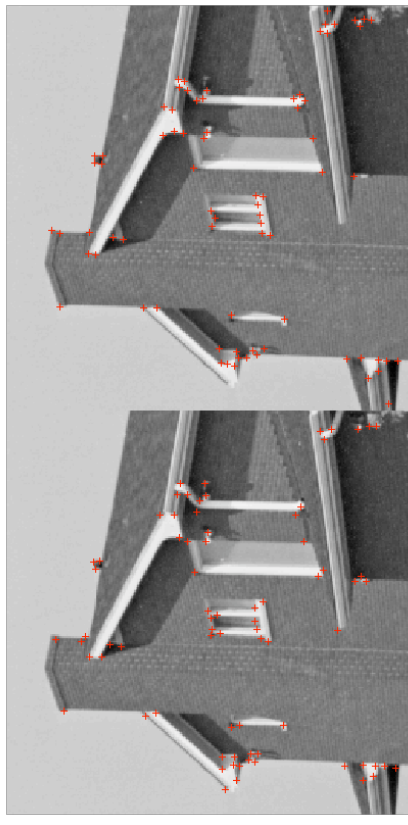
$$\begin{aligned} c_{l,m,n}(f) &= \langle \delta_f | k_{f,n} k_{x,l} k_{y,m} \rangle = \iiint \delta_f(x,y,z) k_{f,n}(z) k_{x,l}(x) k_{y,m}(y) dz dy dx \\ &= (\delta_f \star (k_f k_x k_y))(n, m, l). \end{aligned}$$

- where

$$\delta_f(x,y,z) = \delta(z - f(x,y))$$

$$k_{f,n}(z) = k_f(z - n), k_{x,l}(x) = k_x(x - l), k_{y,m}(y) = k_y(y - m)$$

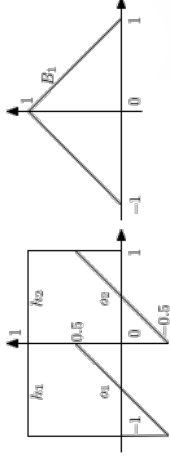
Corner Detection



P-Channel Conversion

- Probabilistic analysis with overlapping kernels
- Avoid high computational cost using P-channels (mono-pieces)
- Convert P-channels to linear splines

$$B_1 = \frac{h_1 + h_2}{2} + o_1 - o_2$$



Algorithm

- direct implementation

Algorithm 6 CCFM algorithm.

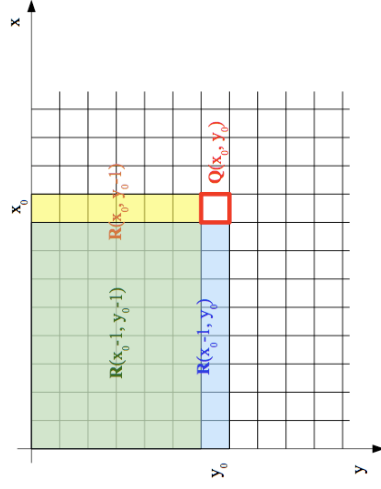
Require: $f \in [1.5; N - 0.5]$
Require: $\mathbf{x} = (x, y)^T \in [1.5; X - 0.5] \times [1.5; Y - 0.5]$

- 1: $C \leftarrow 0$
- 2: **for all** \mathbf{x} **do**
- 3: $\mathbf{c}_f \leftarrow \text{encode}(f(\mathbf{x}))$
- 4: $\mathbf{c}_x \leftarrow \text{encode}(x)$
- 5: $\mathbf{c}_y \leftarrow \text{encode}(y)$
- 6: $C \leftarrow C + \mathbf{c}_f \otimes \mathbf{c}_x \otimes \mathbf{c}_y$
- 7: **end for**

- other alternatives: "mono-pieces"

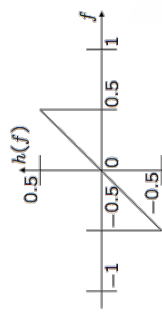
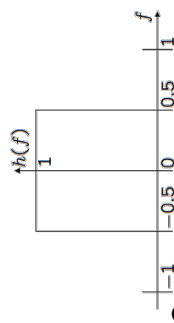
Integral Image

- any statistical moment can be computed by integral images



P-Channel Representation

- Simplest channel representation: Histogram
- Basis function:
- No reconstruction possible
- Second basis function:





COIL-100 Objects

- All 100 objects
- 12 / 60 view for training / evaluation

Method	ROC integral
KLD, θ	0.9817
SVD, θ	0.9840
KLD, RGB	0.9983
SVD, RGB	0.9998
KLD, $hs\theta$	0.9939
SVD, $hs\theta$	1.0000

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New Linear Scale-Space

- 3D linear scale-space

$$F_s(x, y, z) = (k_s^{(\alpha)} \star \delta_f)(x, y, z)$$

$$\delta_f(x, y, z) = \delta(z - f(x, y))$$

- Parabolic PDE?
- Just 3D Gaussian / alpha Kernel?

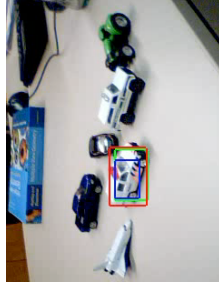
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Comparing CCFMs

- Several alternatives tested:
 - Euclidean distance
 - relative information / Kullback-Leibler divergence
 - least-squares mapping to index
 - chi-squared distance
 - square-root distance / Bhattacharyya coefficient
 - quadratic form distance
 - earth mover's distance

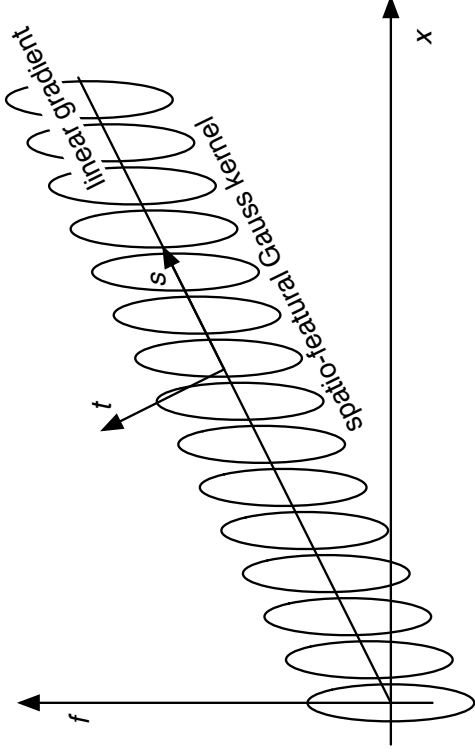
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Considerations

- simultaneously increasing scale in spatial domain and feature domain is obviously wrong (consider e.g. decreasing scale)
- from a statistical point of view it makes sense to increase feature resolution with decreasing spatial resolution

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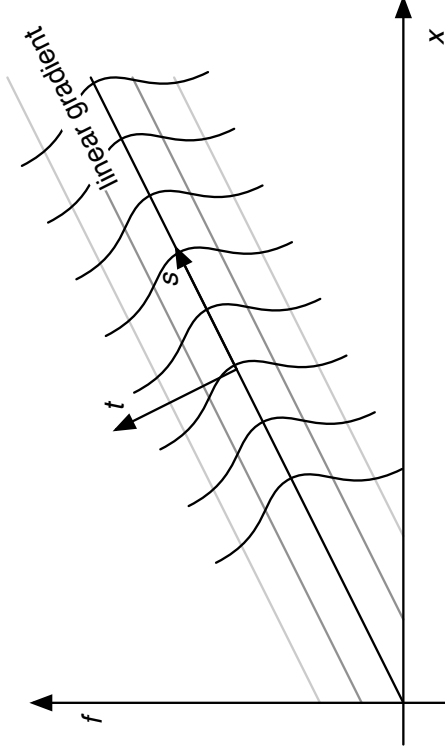
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Theorem

- f-x uncertainty relation

$$\exists k > 0 : (\Delta x)(\Delta f) \geq k$$

$$k = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_f \sigma_x$$

- proof based on isotropic geometry

$$x' = x + t_x$$

$$f' = f + \tan(\phi)x + t_f$$

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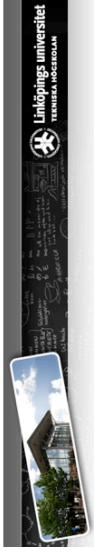
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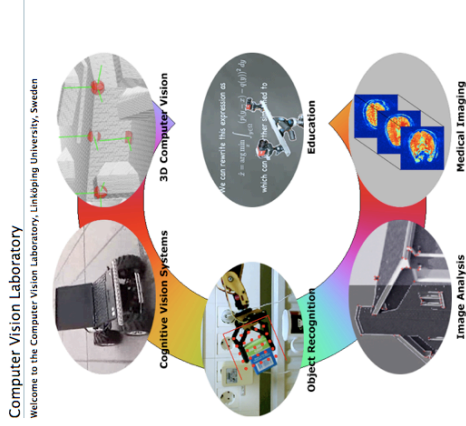
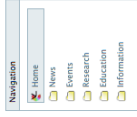
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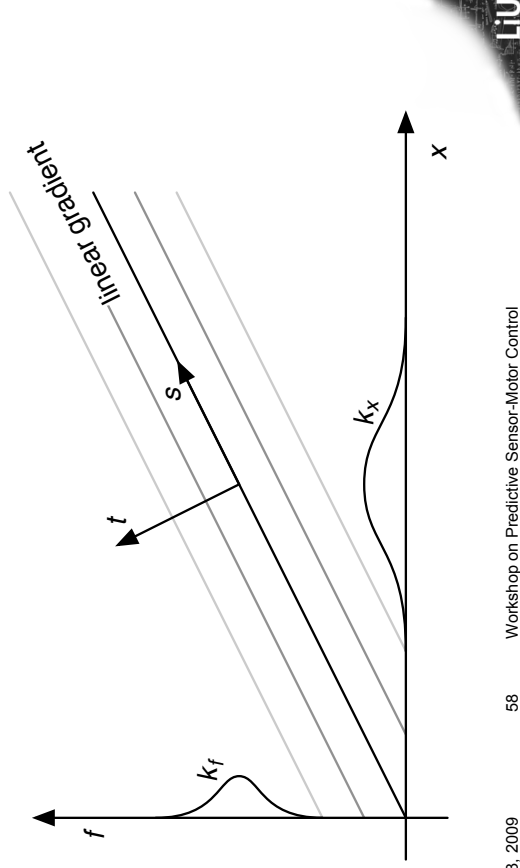
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Example



Channel Pyramid

Algorithm 7 CCFM smoothing algorithm.

- Require:** $f \in [1.5; N - 0.5]$
Require: $\mathbf{x} = (x, y)^T \in [1.5; X - 0.5] \times [1.5; Y - 0.5]$
- 1: $\mathbf{C} \leftarrow \text{CCFM}(x, y, f)$
 - 2: **for all** \mathbf{x} **do**
 - 3: $\mathbf{c}_f \leftarrow \text{interpolate}(\mathbf{C}, \mathbf{x})$
 - 4: $[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \ \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})] \leftarrow \text{decode}(\mathbf{c}_f)$
 - 5: $i(\mathbf{x}) \leftarrow \arg \max_n E_n(\mathbf{x})$
 - 6: $[\hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x}) \ \hat{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{x})] \leftarrow [f_{i(\mathbf{x})}(\mathbf{x}) \ E_{i(\mathbf{x})}(\mathbf{x})]$
 - 7: **end for**

