

Solution for Assignment #2

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Prove the following results

1 $g_{\sigma_1}(x) * (g_{\sigma_2}(x) * I) = g_{\sigma}(x) * I$. Also, find the value of σ in terms of σ_1 and σ_2 .

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 L &= g_{\sigma_1}(x) * (g_{\sigma_2}(x) * I) \\
 \Rightarrow F(L) &= F(g_{\sigma_1}(x) * (g_{\sigma_2}(x) * I)) \\
 &= F(g_{\sigma_1}(x)) F((g_{\sigma_2}(x) * I)) && \text{By Convolution Theorem} \\
 &= F(g_{\sigma_1}(x)) F(g_{\sigma_2}(x)) F(I) && \text{By Convolution Theorem} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma_1} g_{\frac{1}{\sigma_1}}(u) \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma_2} g_{\frac{1}{\sigma_2}}(u) F(I) && \text{Since } F(g_{\sigma}(x)) = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma} g_{\frac{1}{\sigma}}(x) \\
 &= \left[\frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma_1} \frac{\sigma_1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{u^2 \sigma_1^2}{2}\right) \right] \left[\frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma_2} \frac{\sigma_2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{u^2 \sigma_2^2}{2}\right) \right] F(I) \\
 &= \exp\left(-\frac{u^2(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)}{2}\right) F(I) \\
 &= \exp\left(-\frac{u^2 \sigma^2}{2}\right) F(I) && \text{where } \sigma = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma} \left[\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{u^2 \sigma^2}{2}\right) \right] F(I) \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma} g_{\frac{1}{\sigma}}(u) F(I) \\
 &= F(g_{\sigma}(x)) F(I) \\
 \Rightarrow F(L) &= F(g_{\sigma}(x) * I) \\
 \Rightarrow L &= g_{\sigma}(x) * I
 \end{aligned}$$

2. $g_{\sigma}(x, y) = g_{\sigma}(x)g_{\sigma}(y)$.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_{\sigma}(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}\right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\
 &= \left[\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)\right] \left[\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)\right] \\
 &= g_{\sigma}(x)g_{\sigma}(y)
 \end{aligned}$$

3. $g_\sigma(x, y) * I = g_\sigma(x) * (g_\sigma(y) * I)$.

Proof:

Method 1.

$$\begin{aligned}
L &= g_\sigma(x, y) * I \\
\Rightarrow F(L) &= F(g_\sigma(x, y) * I) \\
&= F(g_\sigma(x, y)) F(I) && \text{By Convolution Theorem} \\
&= \frac{2\pi}{\sigma^2} g_{\frac{1}{\sigma}}(u, v) F(I) \\
&= \left(\frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma}\right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma}\right) g_{\frac{1}{\sigma}}(u) g_{\frac{1}{\sigma}}(v) F(I) && \text{By Problem 2} \\
&= \left(\frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma} g_{\frac{1}{\sigma}}(u)\right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma} g_{\frac{1}{\sigma}}(v)\right) F(I) \\
&= F(g_\sigma(x)) F(g_\sigma(y)) F(I) \\
&= F(g_\sigma(x)) F(g_\sigma(y) * I) \\
\Rightarrow F(L) &= F(g_\sigma(x) * (g_\sigma(y) * I)) \\
\Rightarrow L &= g_\sigma(x) * (g_\sigma(y) * I)
\end{aligned}$$

Method 2.

$$\begin{aligned}
g_\sigma(x, y) * I &= \int \int g_\sigma(x - x', y - y') I(x', y') dy' dx' \\
&= \int \int g_\sigma(x - x') g_\sigma(y - y') I(x', y') dy' dx' && \text{By Problem 2} \\
&= \int g_\sigma(x - x') \left[\int g_\sigma(y - y') I(x', y') dy' \right] dx' \\
&= \int g_\sigma(x - x') (g_\sigma(y) * I)(x', y') dx' \\
&= g_\sigma(x) * (g_\sigma(y) * I)
\end{aligned}$$

4. $\Delta(g_\sigma(x, y) * I) = (\Delta g_\sigma(x, y)) * I$.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
L &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (g_\sigma(x, y) * I) \\
\Rightarrow F(L) &= F\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (g_\sigma(x, y) * I)\right) \\
&= uF(g_\sigma(x, y) * I) && \text{Since } F\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f\right) = uF(f) \\
&= uF(g_\sigma(x, y)) F(I) && \text{By Convolution Theorem} \\
&= [uF(g_\sigma(x, y))] F(I) \\
&= F\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} g_\sigma(x, y)\right) F(I) \\
\Rightarrow F(L) &= F\left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} g_\sigma(x, y)\right) * I\right] \\
\Rightarrow L &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} g_\sigma(x, y)\right) * I
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can prove that $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (g_\sigma(x, y) * I) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y} g_\sigma(x, y)\right) * I$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Hence, } \Delta(g_\sigma(x, y) * I) &= \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (g_\sigma(x, y) * I) \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (g_\sigma(x, y) * I) \right]^T = \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} g_\sigma(x, y)\right) * I \quad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y} g_\sigma(x, y)\right) * I \right]^T = \\
&= \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} g_\sigma(x, y)\right) \quad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y} g_\sigma(x, y)\right) \right]^T * I = (\Delta g_\sigma(x, y)) * I
\end{aligned}$$

5. $|\Delta|$ is isotropic (rotation invariant).

Proof: Let $I(x, y)$ be an image and $I(x', y')$ be the rotated image such that $[x' \ y']^T = R[x \ y]^T$ where R is a 2D rotation matrix. Since $R^{-1} = R^T$, we have, $[x \ y]^T = R^T[x' \ y']^T$. Hence,

$$x = x' \cos \theta + y' \sin \theta \quad y = -x' \sin \theta + y' \cos \theta$$

Now the derivatives of I in rotated coordinate system are given by

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial x'} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial x'} + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x'} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \cos \theta - \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial y'} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial y'} + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial y'} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \sin \theta + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \cos \theta$$

The magnitude of gradient $|\Delta|$ in rotated coordinate system is given by

$$\begin{aligned} |\Delta|(x', y') &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial x'}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial y'}\right)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \cos \theta - \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \sin \theta\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \sin \theta + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \cos \theta\right)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \cos \theta\right)^2 - 2\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \cos \theta \sin \theta + \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \sin \theta\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \sin \theta\right)^2 + 2\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \cos \theta \sin \theta + \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \cos \theta\right)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial x}\right)^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) + \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial y}\right)^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta)} \\ &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial y}\right)^2} \\ &= |\Delta|(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

6. Δ^2 is linear and isotropic (rotation invariant).

Proof:

Linearity Let $f(x, y)$ and $g(x, y)$ be two functions and k be any scalar, then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^2(f + g) &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}(f + g) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}(f + g) \\ &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}f + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}g + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}f + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}g \quad \text{By linearity of derivative} \\ &= \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}f + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}f\right] + \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}g + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}g\right] \\ &= \Delta^2 f + \Delta^2 g \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^2(kf) &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}(kf) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}(kf) \\ &= k \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}f + k \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}f \quad \text{By linearity of derivative} \\ &= k \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}f + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}f\right] \\ &= k \Delta^2 f \end{aligned}$$

Hence, Δ^2 is linear.

Rotational Invariance

Let $I(x, y)$ be an image and $I(x', y')$ be the rotated image such that $[x' \ y']^T = R[x \ y]^T$ where R is a 2D rotation matrix. Since $R^{-1} = R^T$, we have, $[x \ y]^T = R^T[x' \ y']^T$. Hence,

$$x = x' \cos \theta + y' \sin \theta \quad y = -x' \sin \theta + y' \cos \theta$$

Now the derivatives of I in rotated coordinate system are given by

$$I_{x'} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x'} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial x'} + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x'} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \cos \theta - \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \sin \theta$$

$$I_{y'} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial y'} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial y'} + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial y'} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \sin \theta + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \cos \theta$$

Similarly the second derivatives of I in rotated coordinate system are computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial I^2}{\partial x'^2} &= \frac{\partial I_{x'}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial x'} + \frac{\partial I_{x'}}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x'} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \cos \theta - \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \sin \theta \right] \cos \theta - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \cos \theta - \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \sin \theta \right] \sin \theta \\ &= \left[\frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} \cos \theta - \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \sin \theta \right] \cos \theta - \left[\frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \cos \theta - \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} \sin \theta \right] \sin \theta \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} \cos^2 \theta - \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \sin \theta \cos \theta - \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} \sin^2 \theta \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} \cos^2 \theta - 2 \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} \sin^2 \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial I^2}{\partial y'^2} &= \frac{\partial I_{y'}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial y'} + \frac{\partial I_{y'}}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial y'} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \sin \theta + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \cos \theta \right] \sin \theta + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \sin \theta + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \cos \theta \right] \cos \theta \\ &= \left[\frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} \sin \theta + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \cos \theta \right] \sin \theta + \left[\frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \sin \theta + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} \cos \theta \right] \cos \theta \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} \sin^2 \theta + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} \cos^2 \theta \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} \sin^2 \theta + 2 \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} \cos^2 \theta \end{aligned}$$

Finally, the Laplacian of the image in rotated coordinate system is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^2 I(x', y') &= \frac{\partial I^2}{\partial x'^2} + \frac{\partial I^2}{\partial y'^2} \\ &= \left[\frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} \cos^2 \theta - 2 \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} \sin^2 \theta \right] + \left[\frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} \sin^2 \theta + 2 \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x \partial y} \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} \cos^2 \theta \right] \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial y^2} \\ &= \Delta^2 I(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

$$7. \Delta^2 (g_\sigma(x, y) * I) = (\Delta^2 g_\sigma(x, y)) * I.$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
L &= \Delta^2 (g_\sigma(x, y) * I) \\
\Rightarrow F(L) &= F(\Delta^2 (g_\sigma(x, y) * I)) \\
&= F\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (g_\sigma(x, y) * I) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} (g_\sigma(x, y) * I)\right) \\
&= F\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (g_\sigma(x, y) * I)\right) + F\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} (g_\sigma(x, y) * I)\right) \quad \text{By linearity of Fourier Transform} \\
&= u^2 F(g_\sigma(x, y) * I) + v^2 F(g_\sigma(x, y) * I) \quad \text{Since } F\left(\frac{\partial^n}{\partial x^n} f\right) = u^n F(f) \text{ \& } F\left(\frac{\partial^n}{\partial y^n} f\right) = v^n F(f) \\
&= u^2 F(g_\sigma(x, y)) F(I) + v^2 F(g_\sigma(x, y)) F(I) \quad \text{By Convolution Theorem} \\
&= [u^2 F(g_\sigma(x, y))] F(I) + [v^2 F(g_\sigma(x, y))] F(I) \\
&= F\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} g_\sigma(x, y)\right) F(I) + F\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} g_\sigma(x, y)\right) F(I) \\
&= \left[F\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} g_\sigma(x, y)\right) + F\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} g_\sigma(x, y)\right)\right] F(I) \\
&= F\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} g_\sigma(x, y) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} g_\sigma(x, y)\right] F(I) \\
&= F[\Delta^2 g_\sigma(x, y)] F(I) \\
\Rightarrow F(L) &= F[(\Delta^2 g_\sigma(x, y)) * I] \\
\Rightarrow L &= (\Delta^2 g_\sigma(x, y)) * I
\end{aligned}$$