



# CAP 4453 Robot Vision

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#### Administrative details

- Homework 2 questions?
- Any Doubts from last classes?





## Robot Vision

5. Edge detection I



#### Credits

- Some slides comes directly from:
  - Yogesh S Rawat (UCF)
  - Noah Snavely (Cornell)
  - Ioannis (Yannis) Gkioulekas (CMU)
  - Mubarak Shah (UCF)
  - S. Seitz
  - James Tompkin
  - Ulas Bagci
  - L. Lazebnik
  - D. Hoeim



#### Outline

- Image as a function
- Extracting useful information from Images
  - Histogram
  - Filtering (linear)
  - Smoothing/Removing noise
  - Convolution/Correlation
  - Image Derivatives/Gradient
  - Edges



#### Edge Detection

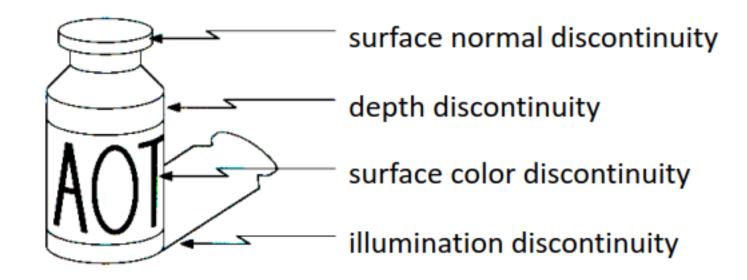
- Identify sudden changes in an image
  - Semantic and shape information
  - Mark the border of an object
  - More compact than pixels





#### Origin of edges

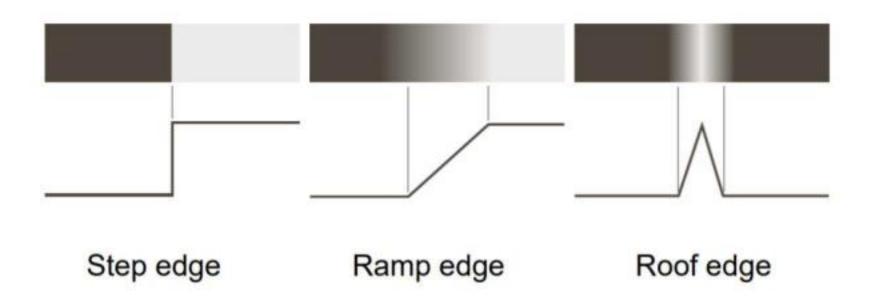
• Edges are caused by a variety of factors





## Type of edges

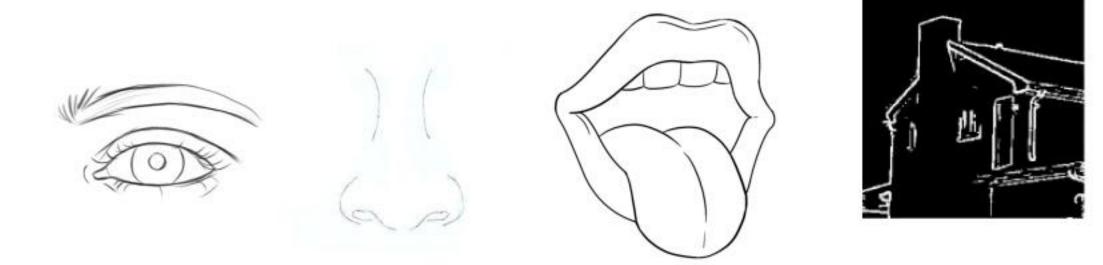
• Edge models



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### Why edge detection ?

- Extract useful information from images
  - Recognizing objects
- Recover geometry



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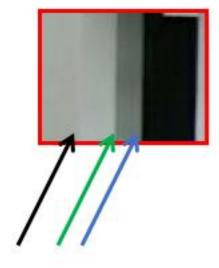






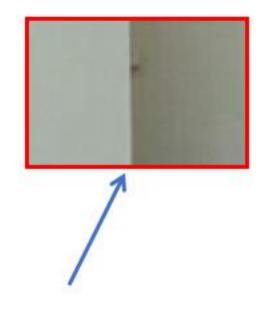












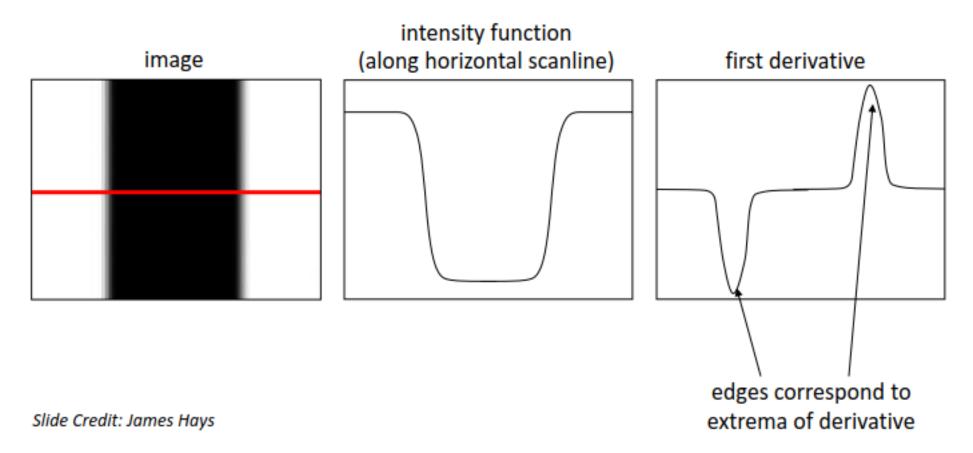






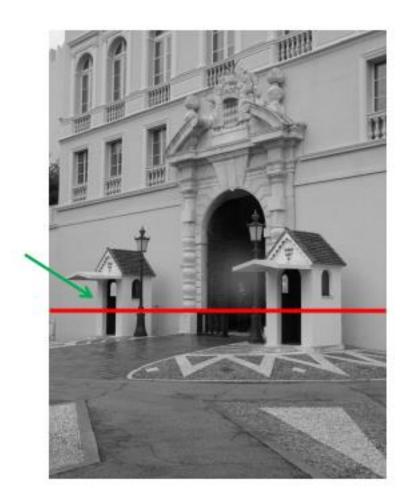


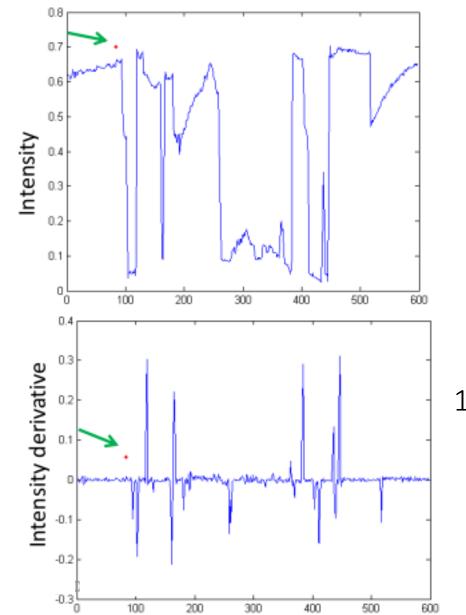
#### Characterizing edges





#### Intensity profile





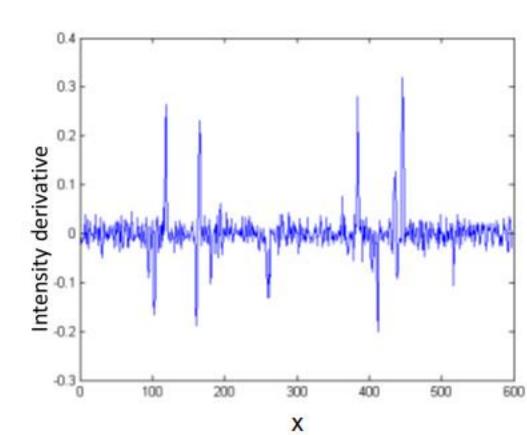


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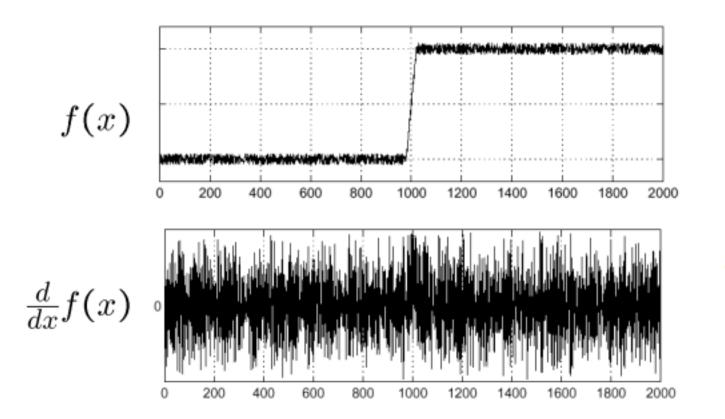
#### With a little bit of gaussian noise







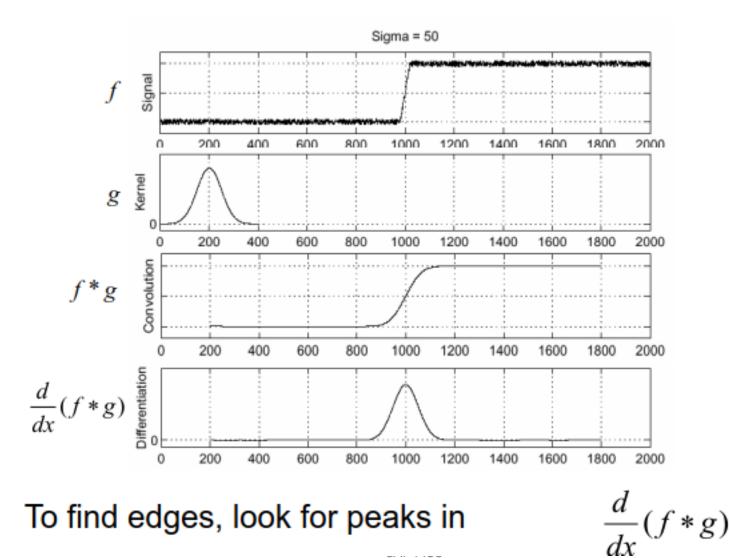
#### An extreme case



#### Where is the edge?

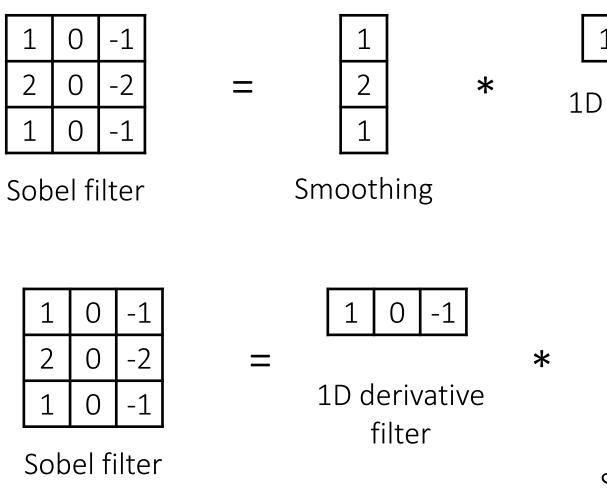


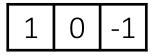
#### Solution: smooth and derivate



#### The Sobel filter







1D derivative filter

Smoothing

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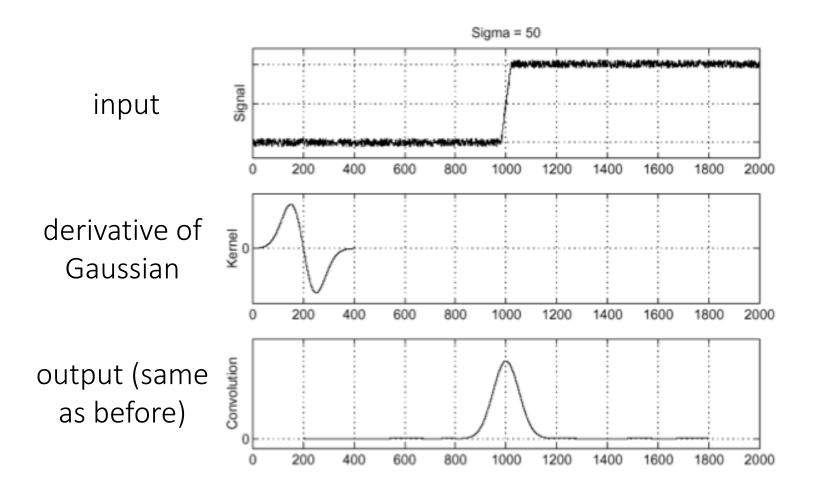
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#### Derivative of Gaussian (DoG) filter

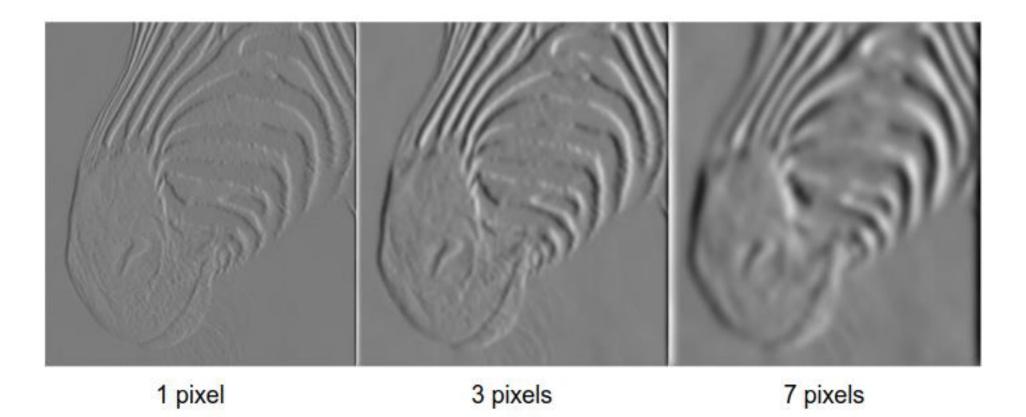
Derivative theorem of convolution:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(h \star f) = (\frac{\partial}{\partial x}h) \star f$$





#### Solution: smoothing



Smoothing remove noise, but also blur the edge

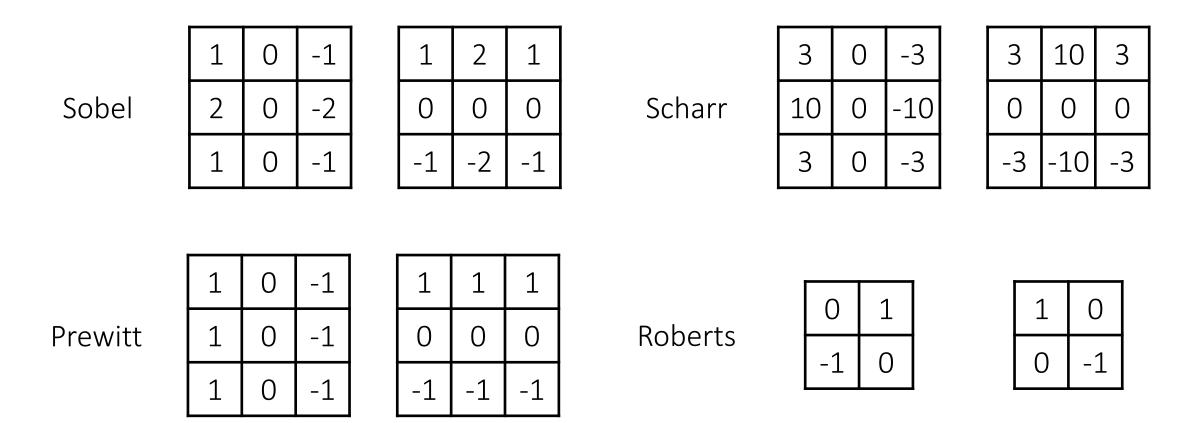


# How to obtain the edges of an image?



#### Several derivative filters





- How are the other filters derived and how do they relate to the Sobel filter?
- How would you derive a derivative filter that is larger than 3x3?



#### Edge detectors

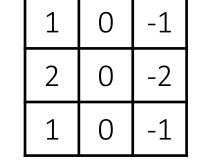
- Gradient operators
  - Prewit
  - Sobel
- Marr-Hildreth (Laplacian of Gaussian)
- Canny (Gradient of Gaussian)



## Gradient operators edge detector algorithm

- 1. Compute derivatives
  - In x and y directions
  - Use Sobel or Prewitt filters
- 2. Find gradient magnitude
- 3. Threshold gradient magnitude

Sobel



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

Prewitt

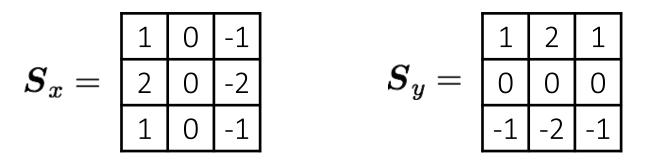
1	0	-1	
1	0	-1	
1	0	-1	

1	1	1
0	0	0
-1	-1	-1



## Computing image gradients

1. Select your favorite derivative filters.



2. Convolve with the image to compute derivatives.

$$rac{\partial \boldsymbol{f}}{\partial x} = \boldsymbol{S}_x \otimes \boldsymbol{f} \qquad \qquad rac{\partial \boldsymbol{f}}{\partial y} = \boldsymbol{S}_y \otimes \boldsymbol{f}$$

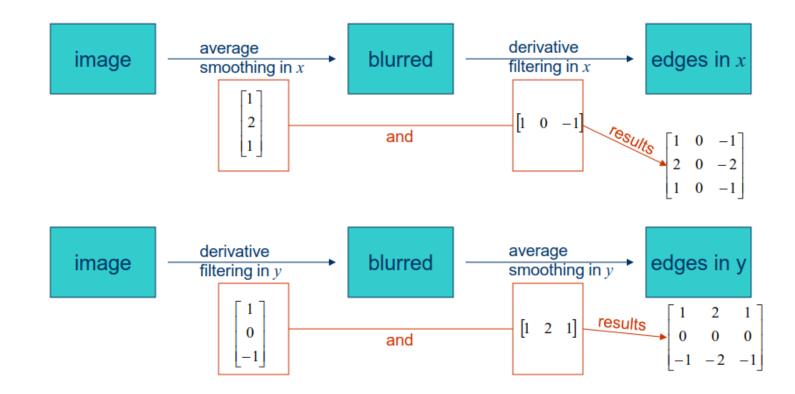
3. Form the image gradient, and compute its direction and amplitude.

$$\nabla \boldsymbol{f} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{f}}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{f}}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} / \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) \qquad ||\nabla f|| = \sqrt{\left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)^2}$$
gradient direction amplitude



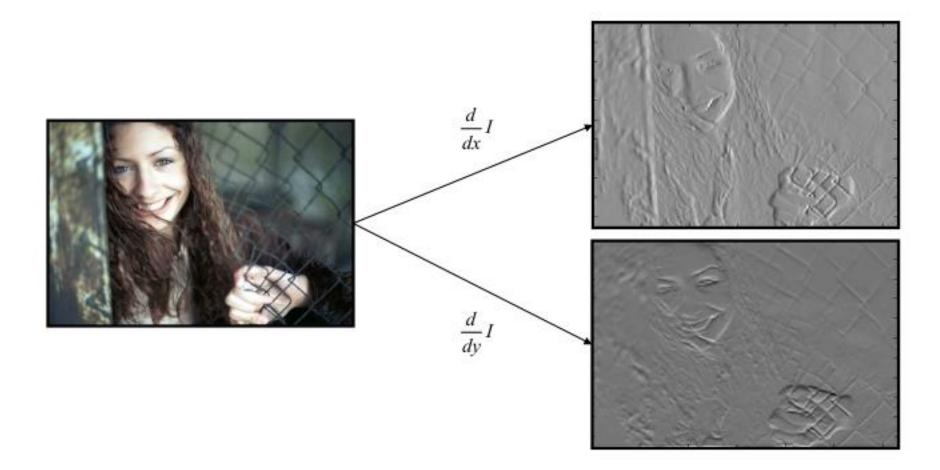
#### Sobel edge detector

#### 1. Compute derivatives





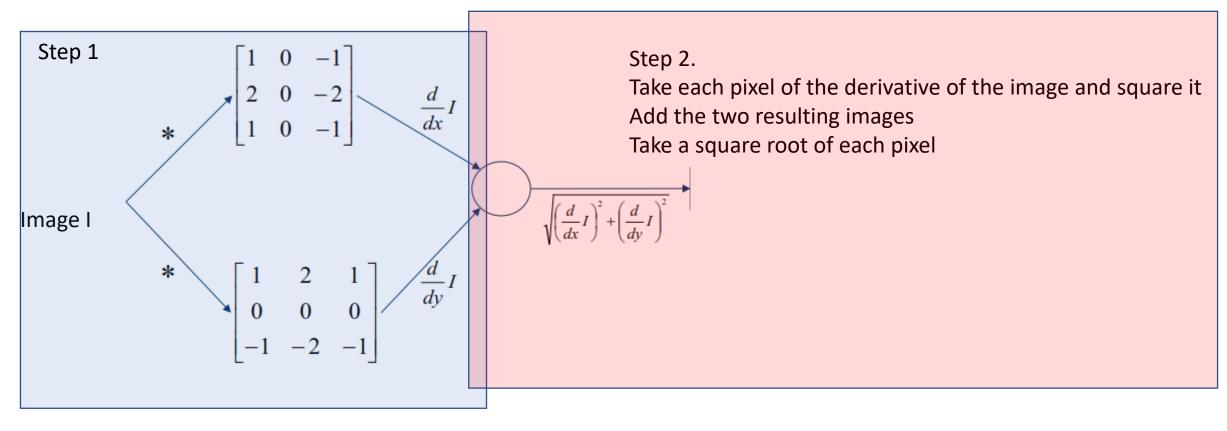
### Step 1





#### Sobel edge detector

#### 2. Find gradient magnitude





#### Step 2



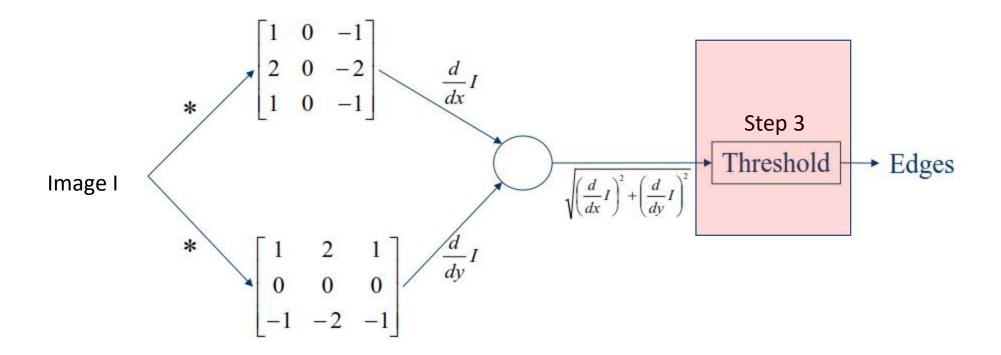
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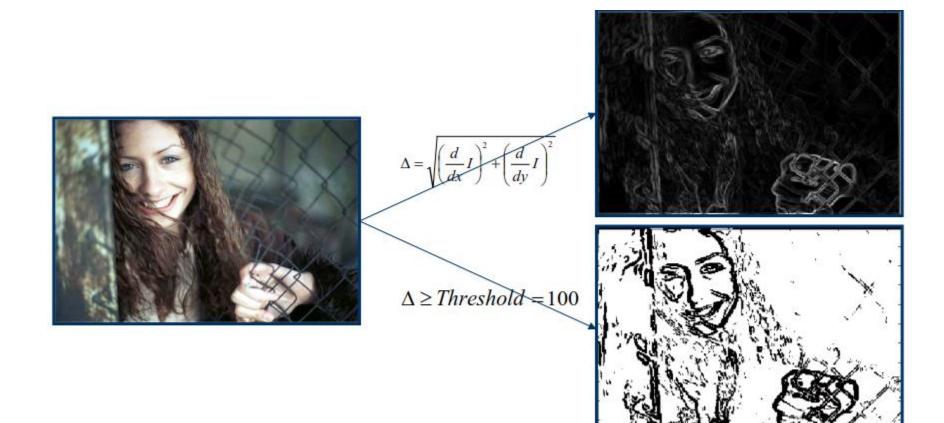
#### Sobel edge detector

3. Threshold



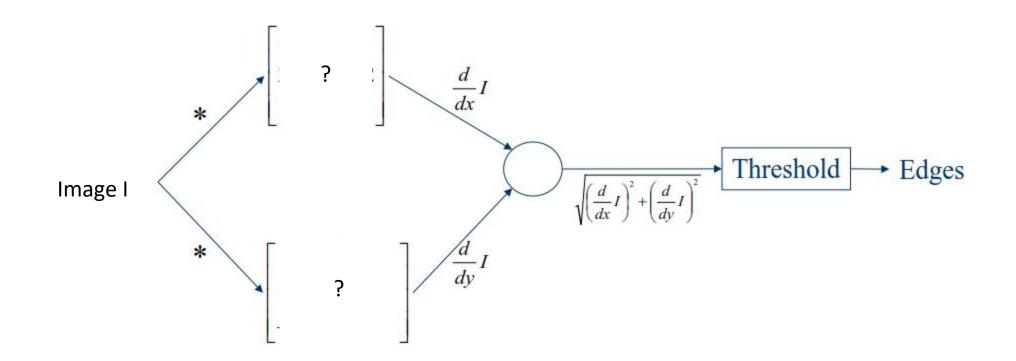


#### Sobel Edge Detector



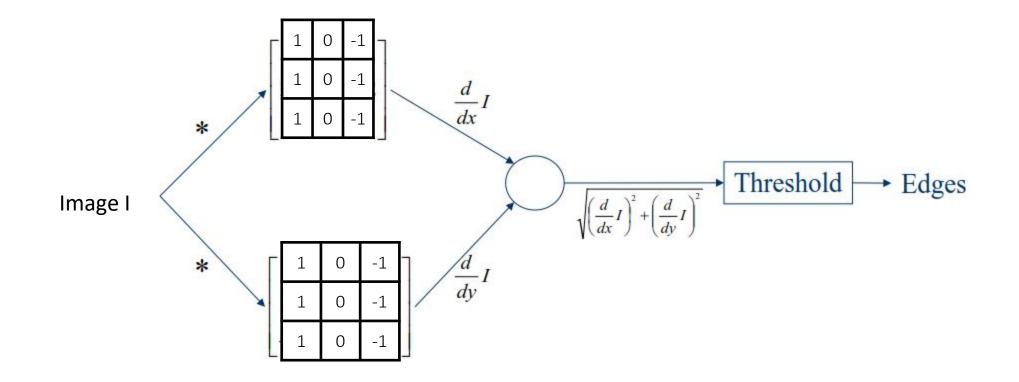


#### Prewitt edge detector





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#### Edge detectors

- Gradient operators
  - Prewit
  - Sobel

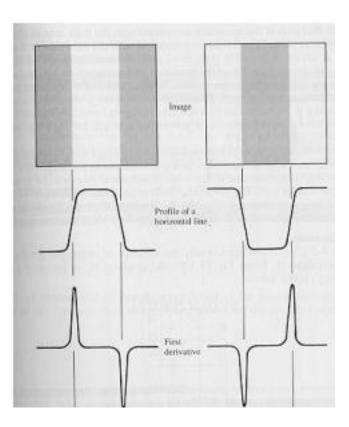
#### • Marr-Hildreth (Laplacian of Gaussian)

• Canny (Gradient of Gaussian)



#### Where are the edges ?

- First derivative ?
  - Maxima or minima

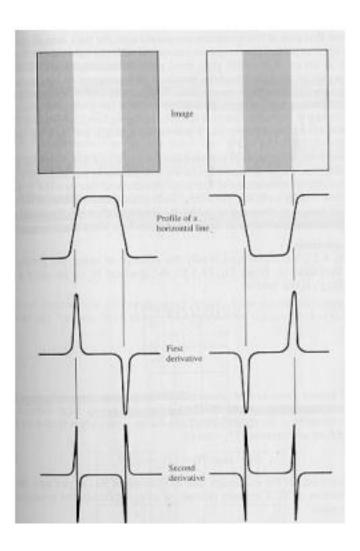




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- First derivative ?
  - Maxima or minima

- Second derivative?
  - Zero-crossing



### Laplace filter



Basically a second derivative filter.

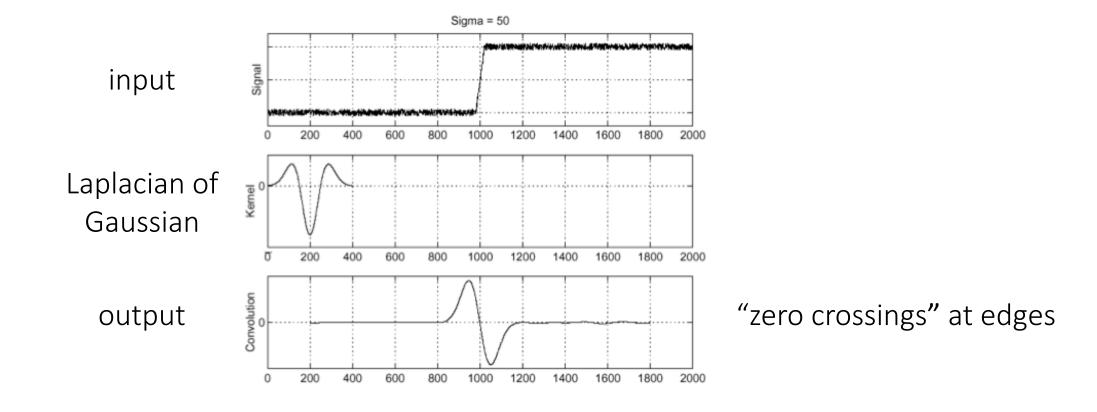
• We can use finite differences to derive it, as with first derivative filter.

first-order  
finite difference 
$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+0.5h) - f(x-0.5h)}{h} \longrightarrow 1D$$
 derivative filter  
 $1 \quad 0 \quad -1$   
second-order  
finite difference  $f''(x) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2} \longrightarrow 1D$  derivative filter  
 $1 \quad 0 \quad -1$ 

# Laplacian of Gaussian (LoG) filter



As with derivative, we can combine Laplace filtering with Gaussian filtering



### Laplace and LoG filtering examples

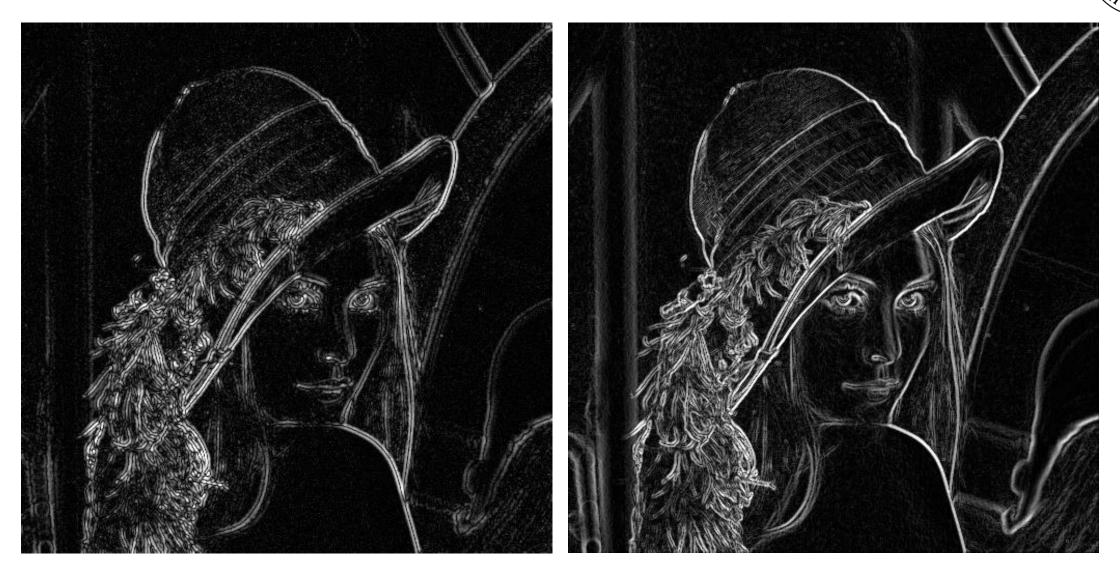




#### Laplacian of Gaussian filtering

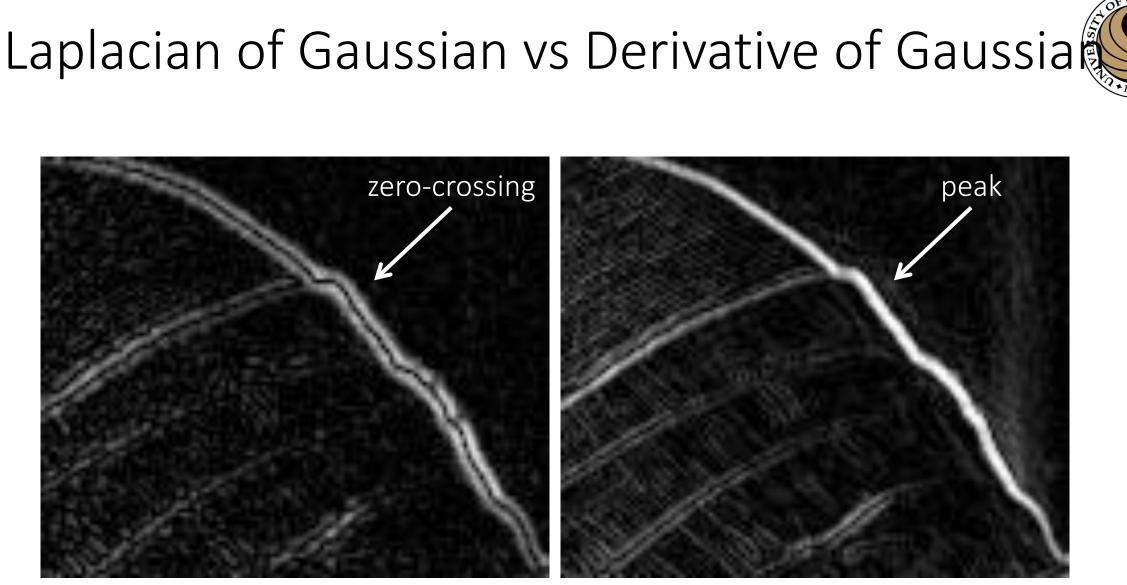
Laplace filtering

# Laplacian of Gaussian vs Derivative of Gaussia



#### Laplacian of Gaussian filtering

Derivative of Gaussian filtering



Laplacian of Gaussian filtering

Derivative of Gaussian filtering

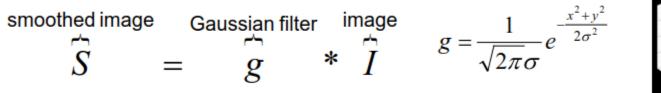
Zero crossings are more accurate at localizing edges

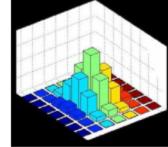


- 1. Smooth image by Gaussian filtering
- 2. Apply Laplacian to smoothed image
  - Used in mechanics, electromagnetics, wave theory, quantum mechanics
- 3. Find Zero crossings

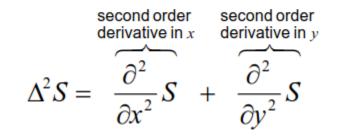


- 1. Smooth image by Gaussian filtering
  - Gaussian smoothing



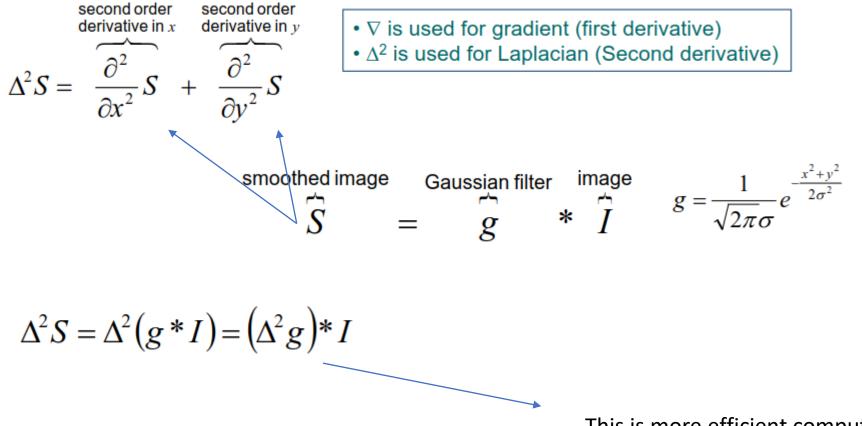


- 2. Apply Laplacian to smoothed image
  - Find Laplacian



∇ is used for gradient (first derivative)
Δ<sup>2</sup> is used for Laplacian (Second derivative)

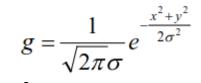




This is more efficient computationally

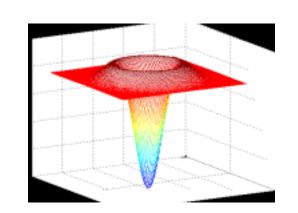


 $\Delta^2 S = \Delta^2 (g * I) = (\Delta^2 g) * I$ 

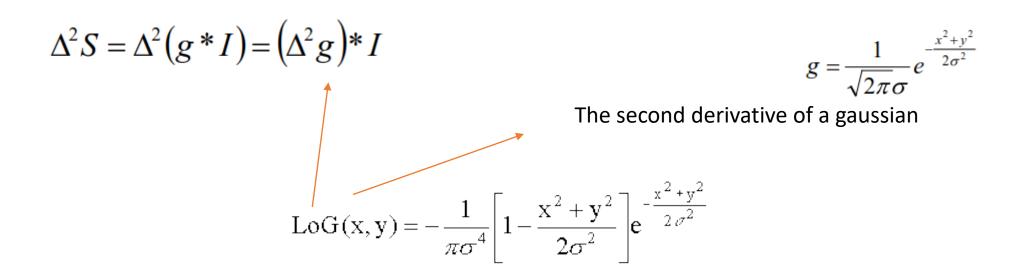


The second derivative of a gaussian

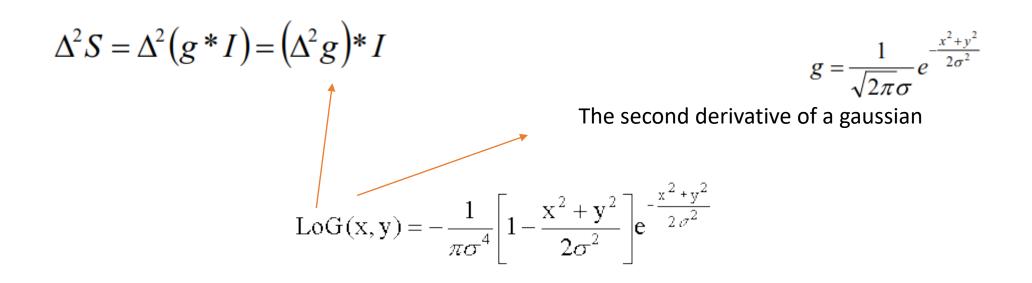
$$LoG(x, y) = -\frac{1}{\pi\sigma^4} \left[ 1 - \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2} \right] e^{-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$





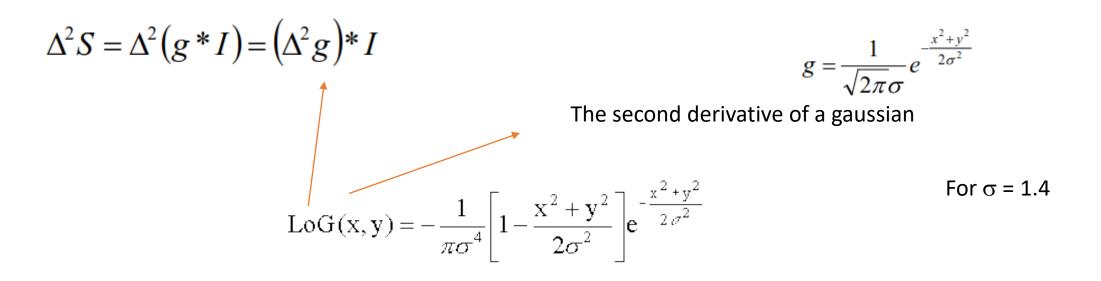






Given a  $\sigma$ , Compute LoG for each x,y to obtain a Kernel

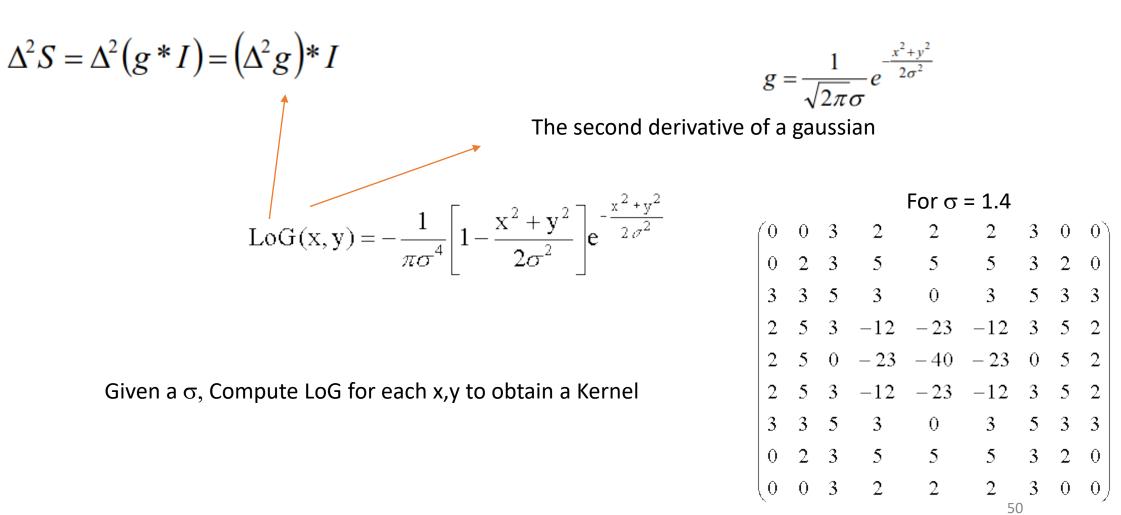




 $LoG(0,0) \approx -0.1624$ 

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- Scan along each row, record an edge point at the location of zero-crossing.
- Repeat above step along each column

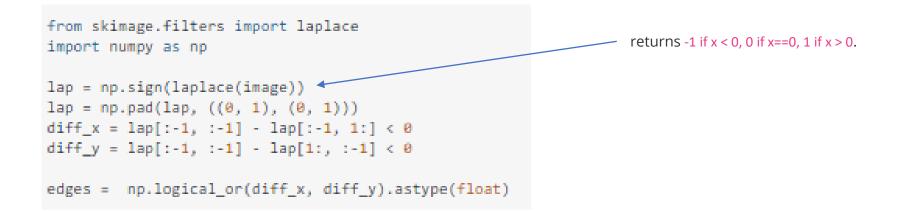


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```
from skimage.filters import laplace
import numpy as np
lap = np.sign(laplace(image))
lap = np.pad(lap, ((0, 1), (0, 1)))
diff_x = lap[:-1, :-1] - lap[:-1, 1:] < 0
diff_y = lap[:-1, :-1] - lap[1:, :-1] < 0
edges = np.logical_or(diff_x, diff_y).astype(float)
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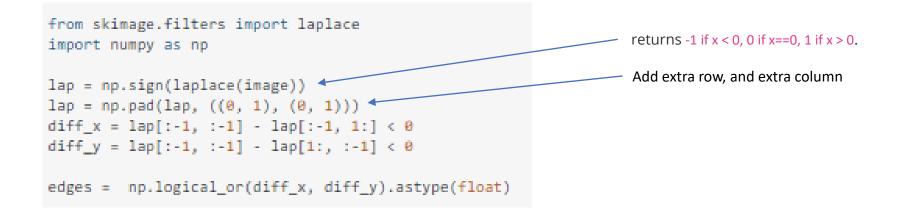


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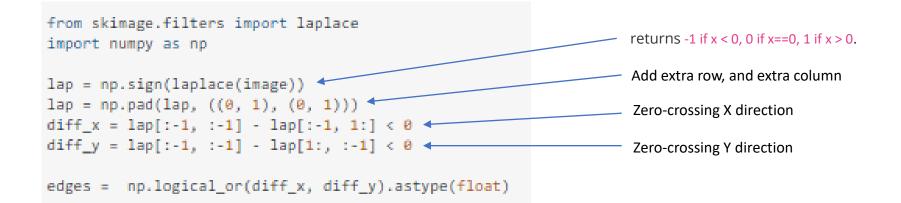


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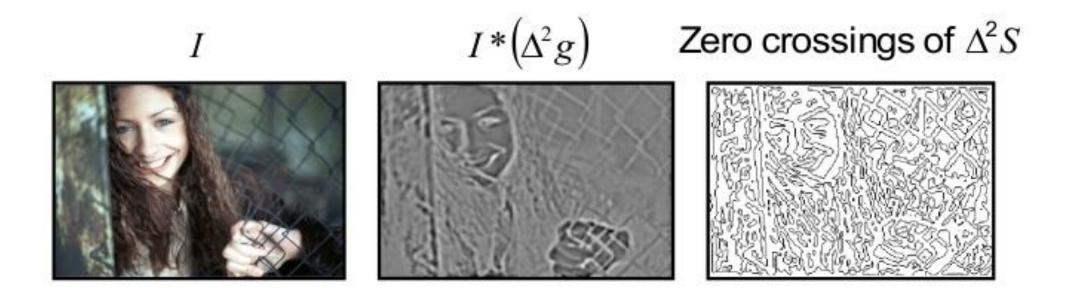




- 3. Find Zero crossings (Another implementation)
  - Four cases of zero-crossings :
    - {+,-}
    - {+,0,-}
    - {-,+}
    - {-,0,+}
  - Slope of zero-crossing {a, -b} is |a+b|.
  - To mark an edge
    - compute slope of zero-crossing
    - Apply a threshold to slope



#### Example

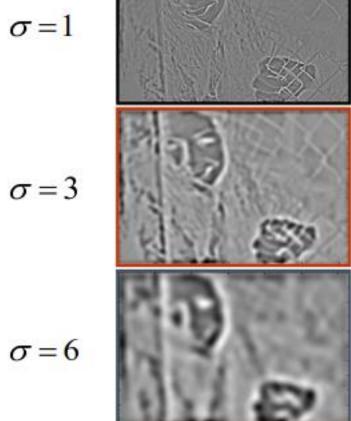


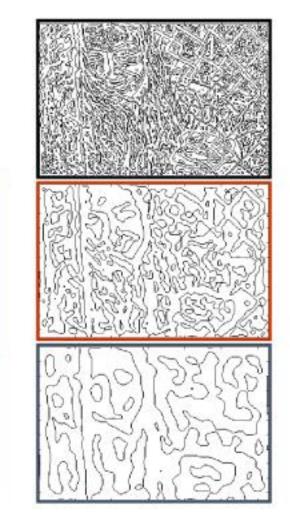


# Example



 $\sigma = 1$ 







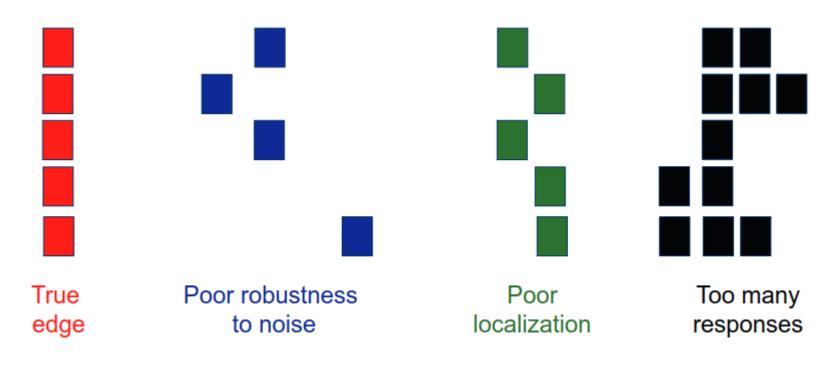
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# Design Criteria for Edge Detection

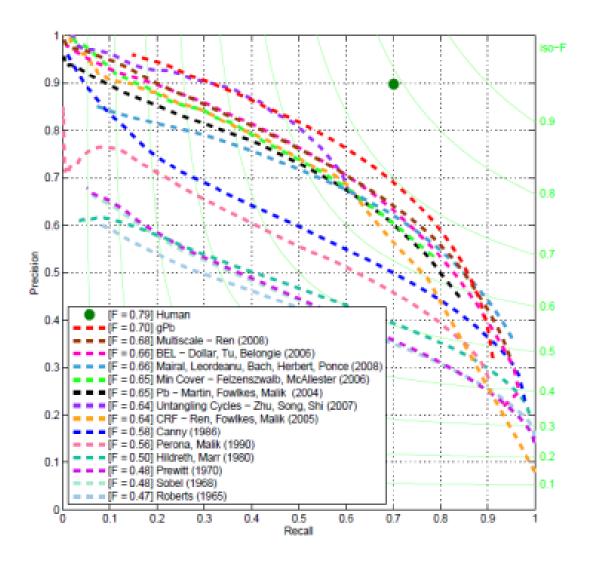
- Good detection: find all real edges, ignoring noise or other artifacts
- Good localization
  - as close as possible to the true edges
  - one point only for each true edge point





# 45 years of boundary detection

[Pre deep learning]





# Questions ?