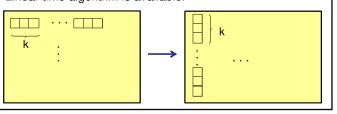


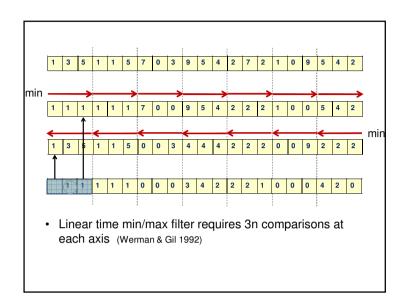
# Complexity Min/Max Filters

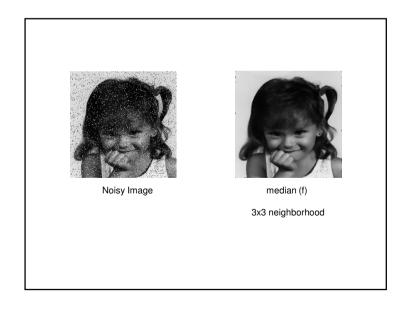
- Naïve: Calculating the min/max filter for nxn image and for kxk neighborhood size requires k²n² operations.
- Separabilty: Min/max filters are separable, thus calculations can be applied with 2kn² operations:

Min(f,k,k)=min(min(f,1,k),k,1)

· Linear time algorithm is available.







## The Median Filter

$$f'(x, y) = med(\{f(m, n)\})_{(m, n) \in N(x, y)}$$

$$\downarrow 0$$
10, 10, 20, 20, 25, 25, 30, 30, 250
$$\uparrow$$
median

• The median minimizes the sum of absolute differences (SAD) of  $\{f(m,n)\}$ :

$$\operatorname{med}(\{I(m,n)\}) = \min_{u} \sum_{(m,n)\in N} |I(m,n) - u|$$

- Is median filter separable?
- · What about complexity?

# **Degraded Image**



Source: Freeman and Durand

# 3x3 median filter



Source: Freeman and Durand

# 5x5 median filt Source: Freeman and Durand

# 5x5 median filter



Source: Freeman and Durand

# The Average Filter

$$f'(x, y) = \text{mean}(\{f(m, n)\})_{(m,n)\in N(x,y)} = \frac{1}{|N|} \sum_{(m,n)\in N(x,y)} I(m,n)$$

 The average minimizes the sum of squared differences (SSD) of {f(m,n)}:

mean(
$$\{I(m,n)\}\)$$
 =  $\min_{u} \sum_{(m,n)\in N} (I(m,n)-u)^2$ 

- Is average filter separable?
- What about complexity?

## Average filter for Noise Reduction



Noisy image







3x3 average

5x5 average

7x7 average

median

## The Convolution

- The average filter is a particular example of a more general operation: **Image Convolution.**
- Let A, B be images. B is typically smaller than A.
- B is typically called the mask or the kernel.
- The convolution for 1D signal

$$(A*B)(x) = \sum_{i} A(i)B(x-i)$$

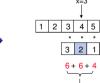
## **1D Convolution**

$$(A * B)(x) = \sum_{i} A(i)B(x-i)$$

x=0 B 1 2 3

Example:





(A\*B)(3) 10 16 22

What happens near the edges?

• Option 1: Zero padding

0 0 0 1 2 3 4 5 0 0 0 \* 1 2 3

• Option 2: Wrap around

3 4 5 1 2 3 4 5 1 2 3 4 5

19 10 16 22 23

• Option 3: Reflection

3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 5 4 3 2

7 10 16 22 27

What is the length of the result?

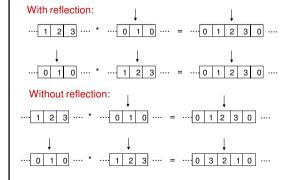
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• Option 1: "same" (size A)

0 0 0 1 2 3 4 5 0 0 0 

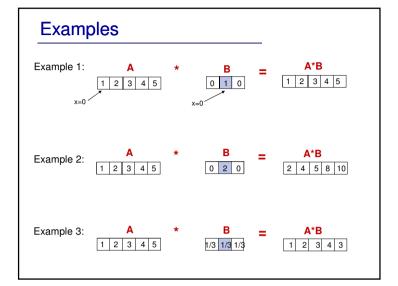
* 1 2 3

0 0 1 4 10 16 22 22 15 0 0
```

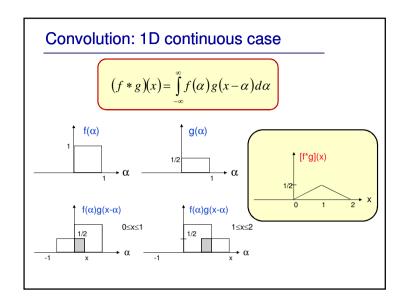
• Why should we flip the mask before the convolution?

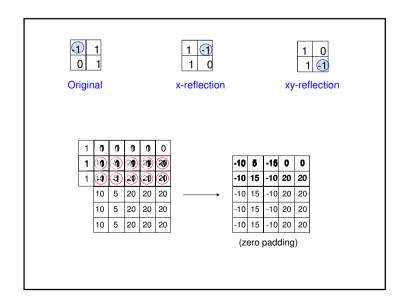


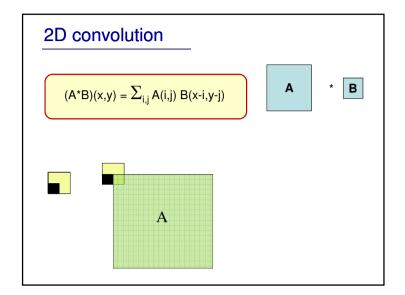
• Reflection is needed so that convolution is commutative:



$$(A \circ B)(x) = \sum_{i} A(i)B(i-x)$$







# 2D Convolution in Matlab

#### C = CONV2(A, B)

performs the 2-D convolution of matrices A and B.

If [ma,na] = size(A) and [mb,nb] = size(B), then size(C) = [ma+mb-1,na+nb-1].

#### C = CONV2(HCOL, HROW, A)

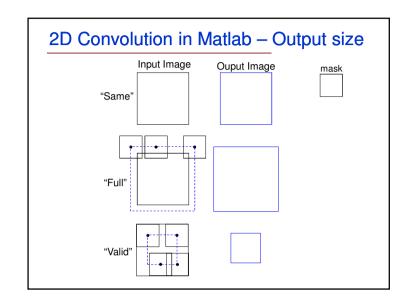
convolves A separable with HCOL in the column direction and HROW in the row direction. HCOL and HROW should both be vectors.

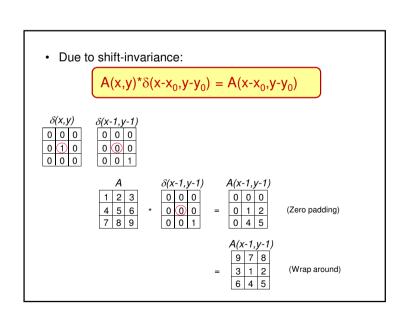
#### C = CONV2( ... ,'shape')

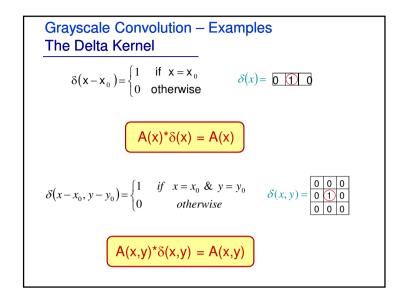
returns a subsection of the 2-D convolution with size specified by 'shape': 'full' - (default) returns the full 2-D convolution,

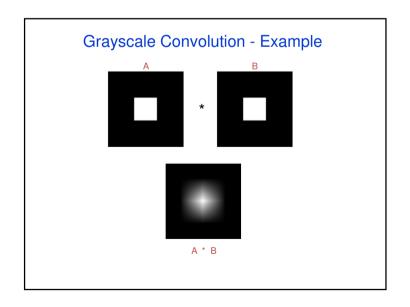
'same' - returns the central part of the convolution that is the same size as A. 'valid' - returns only those parts of the convolution that are computed without the zero-padded edges, size(C) = [ma-mb+1,na-nb+1] when size(A) > size(B).

CONV2 is fastest when size(A) > size(B).









## Grayscale Convolution - Examples



## **Convolution Properties**

Commutative:

$$A*B = B*A$$

Associative:

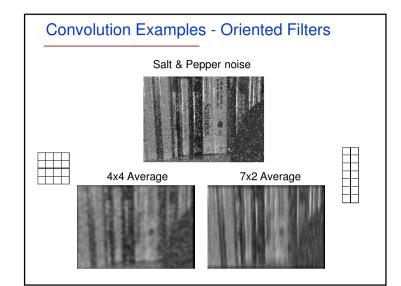
$$(A^*B)^*C = A^*(B^*C)$$

· Linear:

$$A^*(\alpha B + \beta C) = \alpha A^*B + \beta A^*C$$

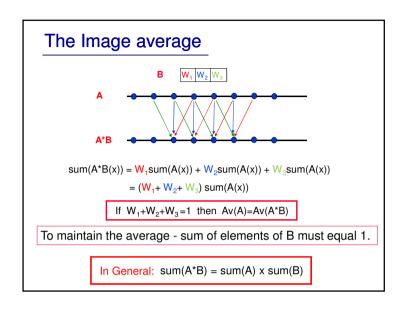
Shift-Invariant

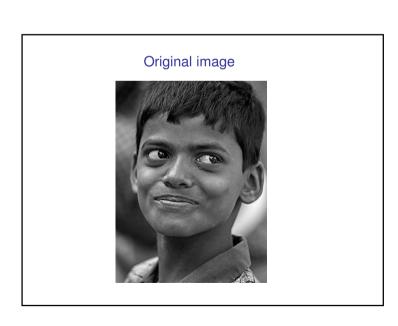
$$A*B(x-x_0,y-y_0)=(A*B)(x-x_0,y-y_0)$$



## **Convolution Complexity**

- Assume A is nxn and B is kxk then
   A\*B takes O(n²k²) operations.
   (applying with FFT takes O(N²log n) )
- (A\*B)\*C = A\*(B\*C)
  - If B and C are kxk then
     (A\*B)\*C takes O(2n²k²) operations
     while A\*(B\*C) takes O(k⁴+4n²k²) operations.
- Separability
  - In some cases it is possible to decompose B (kxk) into B=C\*D where C is 1xk and D is kx1. In such a case A\*B takes  $O(n^2k^2)$  while (A\*C)\*D takes  $O(2n^2k)$ .





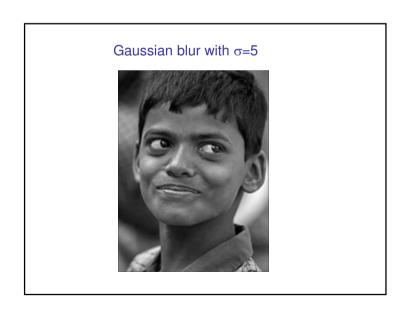
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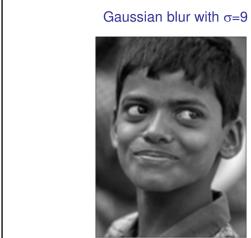
1/6 x 1 2 1

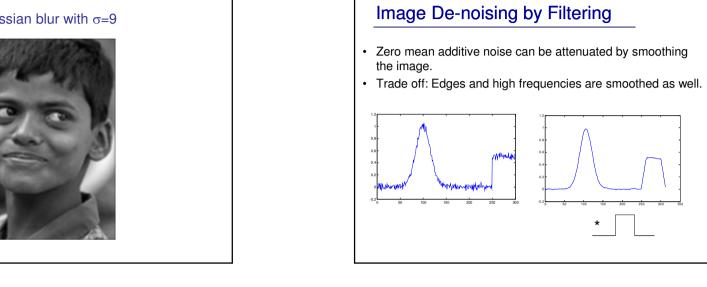
0 1 0

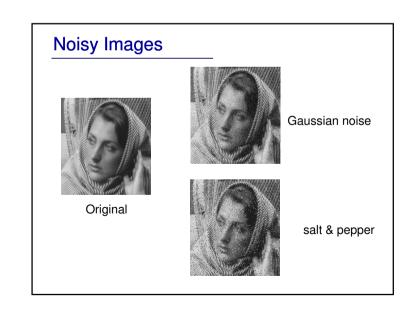
1/81 x 3 6

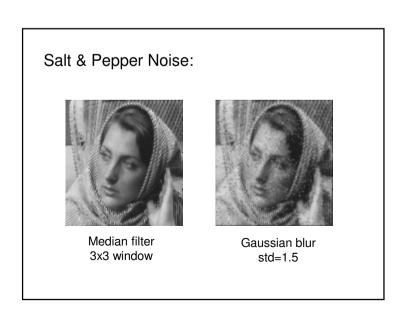
• Both are separable kernels.











### Gaussian Noise:



Median filter 5x5 window



Gaussian blur std=3

# Edge Enhancement by Filtering

A sharpening filter is applied in order to enhance edges and fine details (high frequency) in an image:

- Assume B is an image to be enhanced.
- Define: B<sub>Blur</sub>=B\*G is a blurred image, where G is a blurring mask.
- $B_{sharp}$ =B- $B_{Blur}$ =B\*( $\delta$  G) contains fine details of image B.
- $\ B + \lambda B_{sharp} = B^*(\delta + \lambda(\delta G)) = B^*S(\lambda) \ \ \text{amplifies fine details image}.$
- The parameter  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$  controls the amount of amplification.

$$G = \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 1/6 & 0 \\ \hline 1/6 & 2/6 & 1/6 \\ \hline 0 & 1/6 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$S(1) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1/6 & 0 \\ -1/6 & 10/6 & -1/6 \\ 0 & -1/6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Edge Enhancement by Filtering

A sharpening filter is applied in order to enhance edges and fine details (high frequency) in an image:

Assume: A is a sharp image.

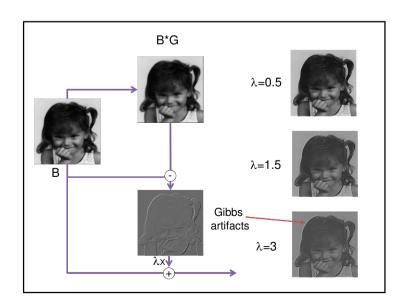
G is a Gaussian mask.

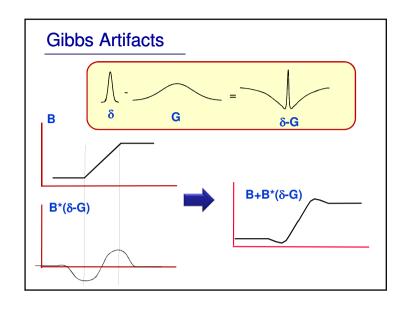
B = A \* G is a blurred image.

Sharpen B:  $B_{sharp} = A - B$ 

Sharpened B =  $B + B_{sharp}$ 

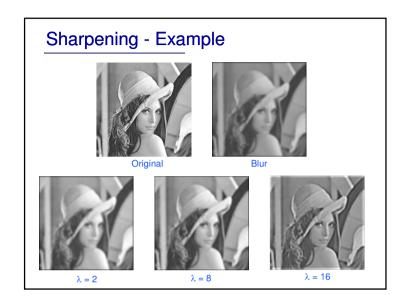
Problem: A and G are unknown.

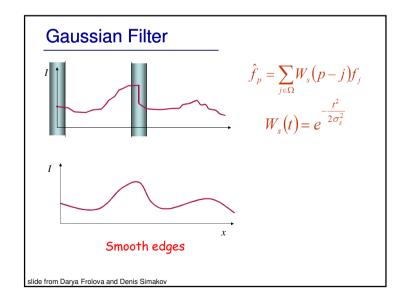


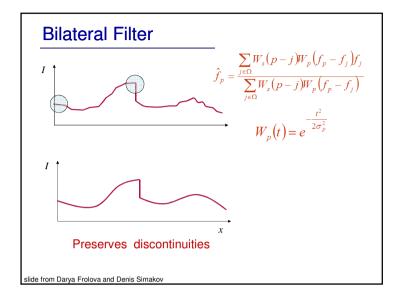




- The convolution is a *non-adaptive* filtering in the sense that the convolution mask is space invariant.
- Adaptive filtering refers to image operations that adapt their performance based on the input signal.
- Example for adaptive-filtering: The Bilateral Filter







## Bilateral Filter

In bilateral filtering the weights are determined according to spatial and photometric distances:

$$\hat{I}(x) = \frac{\sum_{j \in N_s} W_s(x - j) W_p(I(x) - I(j)) I(j)}{\sum_{j \in N_s} W_s(x - j) W_p(I(x) - I(j))}$$

$$W_{s}(x-j) = e^{-\left(\frac{x-j}{\sigma_{sp}}\right)^{2}} \qquad W_{p}(I(x)-I(j)) = e^{-\left(\frac{I(x)-I(j)}{\sigma_{\mu}}\right)}$$

## Gaussian Filter

In convolution filtering neighboring pixels are weighted according to their spatial distance:

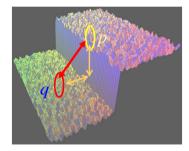
$$\hat{I}(x) = \sum_{j \in N_s} W_s(x - j) I(j)$$

$$W_s(x-j) = e^{-\left(\frac{x-j}{\sigma_{sp}}\right)^2}$$

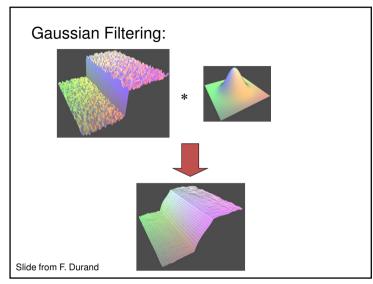
## Typical bilateral weighting functions:

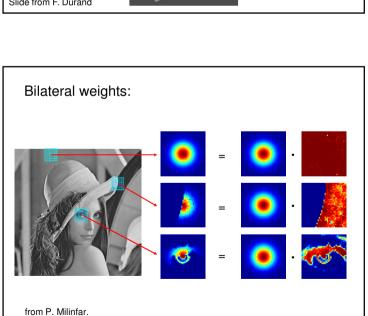
$$W_s(p-q) = e^{-\left(\frac{p-q}{2\sigma_s}\right)^2}$$

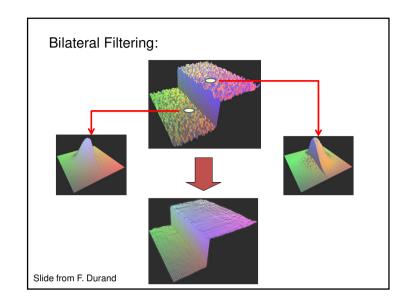
$$W_p(f_p - f_q) = e^{-\left(\frac{f_p - f_q}{2\sigma_p}\right)^2}$$

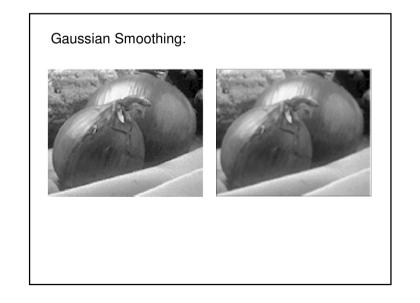


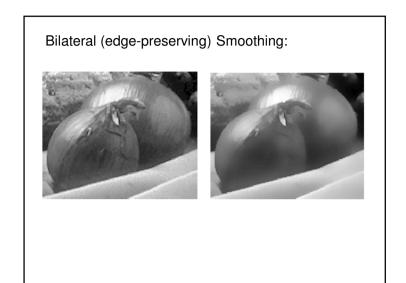
Slide from F. Durand







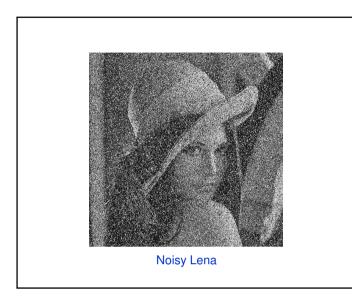




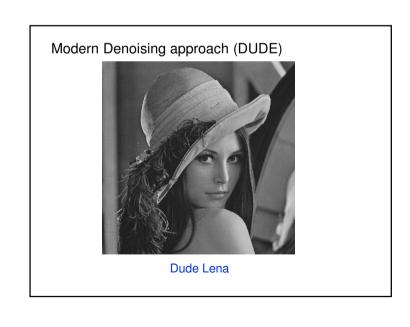


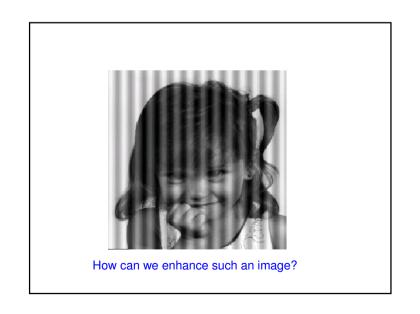












## **Solution**: Image Representation

