

Edge Detection

Exercise 6 in advanced image analysis

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The aim of this exercise is to give you an introductory practical experience with taking the derivative of images, taking scale space theory into consideration.

Task1: Make a function that takes an image and a scale parameter t as input and returns extracted edges according to: Tony Lindeberg, "Scale-Space: A framework for handling image structures at multiple scales". Use Equation (14)

Task 2: Extract edges from the image found in `CircIm.mat`.

Task3: Extract edges from the image found in `Pap.mat` at different scales. Explain.

Hints

It is advised that you derive the Gaussian kernel and its derivatives *analytically* and use this for your implementation. Note that the Gaussian is separable, i.e. the 2D kernel can be formed from 2 1D kernels. The formula for the 1D gaussian is:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2t}\right)$$

Where $t = \sigma^2$ is the variance.

An example of how to convolve the image with a gaussian is:
`im=filter2(Gauss,Pap,'same');`

Note that the size of the kernel should reflect the size of the scale parameter t . I.e. the larger the t the larger the kernel should be. A rule of thumb is that the kernel *radius* should equal $3\sqrt{t}$. Why?

A possible way of detecting zero-crossings of `Lvv` is:

```
LvvP=(Lvv>0);  
Lvv0=xor(LvvP,circshift(LvvP,[0,1])) | xor(LvvP,circshift(LvvP,[1,0]));
```

Why? Note that this does not find the zero-crossings with sub-pixel accuracy.