

Variational Methods for Computer Vision: Solution Sheet 2

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Part I: Theory

1.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (f(x, y) * k_1(x)) * k_2(y) &= \int \left(\int k_1(k) f(x - k, y - l) dk \right) k_2(l) dl \\
 &= \int \int f(x - k, y - l) k_1(k) k_2(l) dk dl \\
 &= \int \int f(x - k, y - l) \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{k^2+l^2}{2\sigma^2}} dk dl \\
 &= \int \int f(x - k, y - l) K(k, l) dk dl \\
 &= f(x, y) * K(x, y)
 \end{aligned}$$

2. (a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla \tilde{f}(x) &= \nabla(f \circ R)(x) \\
 &= (D_{Rx} f \circ D_x R)^T \\
 &= (D_{Rx} f \circ R)^T \\
 &= R^T D_{Rx} f^T \\
 &= R^T \nabla f(Rx)
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
 R \nabla \tilde{f}(x) &= R R^T \nabla f(Rx) \\
 &= \nabla f(Rx)
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\nabla \tilde{f}(x)| &\stackrel{(1)}{=} |R^T \nabla f(Rx)| \\
 &= \sqrt{(R^T \nabla f(Rx))^T (R^T \nabla f(Rx))} \\
 &= \sqrt{\nabla f(Rx)^T R R^T \nabla f(Rx)} \\
 &= \sqrt{\nabla f^T \nabla f} \\
 &= |\nabla f(Rx)|
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta \tilde{f}(x) &= \operatorname{div} \left(\underbrace{\nabla \tilde{f}(x)}_{R^T \nabla f(Rx)} \right) \\
 &= \operatorname{div} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\alpha) \tilde{f}_x + \sin(\alpha) \tilde{f}_y \\ -\sin(\alpha) \tilde{f}_x + \cos(\alpha) \tilde{f}_y \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{f}_{xx} + \tilde{f}_{yy}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{f}_{xx} &= \partial_x (\cos(\alpha)\tilde{f}_x + \sin(\alpha)\tilde{f}_y) \\ &= \partial_x \cos(\alpha)\tilde{f}_x + \partial_x \sin(\alpha)\tilde{f}_y \\ &= \cos^2(\alpha)f_{xx} + \cos(\alpha)\sin(\alpha)f_{xy} + \cos(\alpha)\sin(\alpha)f_{yx} + \sin^2(\alpha)f_{yy}\end{aligned}$$

And:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{f}_{yy} &= \partial_y (-\sin(\alpha)\tilde{f}_x + \cos(\alpha)\tilde{f}_y) \\ &= \sin^2(\alpha)f_{xx} - \cos(\alpha)\sin(\alpha)f_{xy} - \cos(\alpha)\sin(\alpha)f_{yx} + \cos^2(\alpha)f_{yy}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{f}_{xx} + \tilde{f}_{yy} &= f_{yy} \underbrace{(\sin^2(\alpha) + \cos^2(\alpha))}_{=1} + f_{xx} \underbrace{(\sin^2(\alpha) + \cos^2(\alpha))}_{=1} \\ &= \Delta(f(Rx))\end{aligned}$$

3. (a)

$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{div}(g\nabla u(x)) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g \frac{\partial}{\partial x} u(x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} g \frac{\partial}{\partial y} u(x) \\ &= g\Delta u(x)\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{div}(g(x)\nabla u(x)) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(g(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} u(x) \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(g(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} u(x) \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} u(x)g(x) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} u(x)g(x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} u(x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} g(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} u(x) \\ &= g(x)\Delta u(x) + \langle \nabla g(x), \nabla u(x) \rangle\end{aligned}$$