# Freezing Sets Invariant-based Characteristics of Digital Images 

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#### Abstract

Due to the widespread use of digital images of real-world objects as mathematical models, this research examines the freezing sets invariant-base properties of digital images. In contrast to earlier studies that only covered a discrete or limited collection of points, fixed points of digitally continuous functions are approved to deal with a variety of characteristics of digital images.


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## 1 Introduction

Mathematical models commonly use illustrations of the world's objects. A digital representation of the notion of a continuous function, which was drawn from topology, is usually useful for the analysis of digital images. However, the digital picture is frequently a distinct, limited collection of points. As a result, methods other than topology-based methods for digital picture analysis are usually needed. In this work, we examine a number of digital picture features that are connected to the fixed points of digitally continuous functions.

These characteristics include discrete measurements that do not naturally correspond to the characteristics of $\mathbb{R}^{n}$ subsets. $(U, \kappa)$ is a digital image where for some integer $\mathrm{n}, U \subset \mathbb{Z}^{\mathrm{n}}$ and $\kappa$ is an adjacency on $U$ which is considered to be finite, [6]. If $U$ is a vertex set and $\kappa$ is an edge set, then the pair $(U, \kappa)$ is a graph. Adjacency is a measure of how "closedness" two points are to one another in $\mathbb{Z}^{\mathrm{n}}$. When these conditions (finiteness of $X$ ) and (closedness of adjacency points) are satisfied, the digital image may be viewed as a model of a white-and-black "real world" image, where white points in the background are declared by elements of $\mathbb{Z}^{\mathrm{n}}$ $\{U\}$ and the black points in the foreground by members of $\mathrm{U},[1]$.
$\alpha \beta$ indicates that $\alpha$ and $\beta$ are $\kappa$-adjacent and
$\alpha \leftrightarrows \beta$ are $\kappa$-adjacent or equal.
If $z$ is an integer such that $1 \leq z \leq n$ and $\left.\alpha=\left(\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \ldots, \alpha_{n}\right\}\right) \neq\left(\beta_{1}, \beta_{2}, \ldots, \beta_{n}\right)=\beta$, then $\alpha \leftrightarrow_{c_{z}} \beta$ iff
(i) For at most indices i, $\left|\alpha_{i}-\beta_{i}\right|$.
(ii) For all indices $\mathrm{j},\left|\alpha_{i}-\beta_{i}\right|$ implies $\alpha_{j}=\beta_{j}$.

The number of adjacent points is frequently used to indicate the $c_{z}$-adjacencies.

## Examples:

(i) The 2 -adjacency in $\mathbb{Z}$ is $c_{1}$-adjacency.
(ii) The 4 -adjacency is $c_{1}$-adjacency is and the 8 -adjacency in $\mathbb{Z}^{2}$ is $c_{2}$-adjacency.
(iii) The 8 -adjacency is $c_{1}$-adjacency,

18 -adjacency is $c_{2}$-adjacency, and
26 -adjacency in $\mathbb{Z}^{3}$ is $c_{3}$-adjacency.
If $(U, \kappa)$ and $(V, \lambda)$ are two digital images, then $N P(\kappa, \lambda)$ denotes the strong product adjacency or normal adjacency, [2], on $U \times V$ iff
$\forall \alpha_{0}, \alpha_{1} \in U$ and $\beta_{0}, \beta_{1} \in V$ where $p_{0}=\left(\alpha_{0}, \beta_{0}\right) \neq p_{1}=\left(\alpha_{1}, \beta_{1}\right)$, $p_{0} \leftrightarrow_{N P(\kappa, \lambda)} p_{1}$ if one of the following conditions is valid:
(i) $\alpha_{0} \leftrightarrow_{K} \alpha_{1}$ and $\beta_{0}=\beta_{1}$.
(ii) $\beta_{0} \leftrightarrow_{\kappa} \beta_{1}$ and $\alpha_{0}=\alpha_{1}$.
(iii) $\alpha_{0} \leftrightarrow_{\kappa} \alpha_{1}$ and $\beta_{0} \leftrightarrow_{\kappa} \beta_{1}$.

Typically if $z$ and $v$ are two natural numbers such that $1 \leq z \leq v,\left(U_{i}, \kappa_{i}\right) \forall 1 \leq i \leq v$ and $U=\prod_{i=1}^{v} U_{i}$, then the adjacency
$N P_{z}\left(\kappa_{1}, \kappa_{2}, \ldots, \kappa_{v}\right)$, [3], is defined as: For some $\alpha_{i}$ and $\alpha_{i^{\prime}}$ in $U_{i}$, if
$p=\left(\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \ldots, \alpha_{v}\right) \neq q=\left(\alpha_{1}{ }^{\prime}, \alpha_{2}{ }^{\prime}, \ldots, \alpha_{v}{ }^{\prime}\right)$, then:
$\left.p \leftrightarrow_{N P_{z}\left(\kappa_{1}, \kappa_{2}, \ldots, \kappa_{v}\right)}\right)$ if for at least 1 and at most $z$ indices $i, x_{i} \leftrightarrow_{\kappa_{i}} x_{i}{ }^{\prime}$ and $\forall j$ indices, $\alpha_{j}=\alpha_{j}{ }^{\prime}$.
In this paper, "digital images" is referred to as D.I.

## $2(\kappa, \lambda)$-Digitally Continuous <br> Function

## Definition 1.1:

i. [4], If $(U, \kappa)$ and $(V, \lambda)$ are two D.I, then $f: U \rightarrow V$ is a $(\kappa, \lambda)$-digitally continuous function, if $(U, \kappa)=(V, \lambda)$, then $f$ is $(\kappa, \kappa)$-continuous.
ii. The path from $\alpha$ to $\beta$ is the set $\left\{\alpha_{i}\right\}^{m}{ }_{i=0}$ such that $\alpha_{0}=\alpha, \alpha_{m}=\beta$ and $\alpha_{i} \rightleftarrows \alpha_{i+1} \forall i=1,2, \ldots, m-1$ $\forall \alpha, \beta \in U$.
Now, if $\alpha_{i} \neq \alpha_{j} \forall i \neq j$, then the length of the path is $m$.
iii. The path from $\alpha$ to $\beta$ is a $(2, \kappa)-P$, where $P:[0, m]_{\mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow U$ is a continuous function $\forall m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $P(0)=\alpha$ and $P(m)=\beta$.

Theorem 1.2: [5], If $(U, \kappa)$ and $(V, \lambda)$ are two D.Is', then:
i. $f: U \rightarrow V$ is a $(\kappa, \lambda)$-digitally continuous function iff $\forall \alpha, \beta \in U$, if $\alpha \leftrightarrow_{\kappa} \beta$, then $f(\alpha) \rightleftarrows_{\lambda} f(\beta)$.
ii. If $(Z, \gamma)$ is a D.I and $g:(V, \lambda) \rightarrow(Z, \gamma)$ is $(\lambda, \gamma)$-continuous, then $g \circ f:(U, \kappa) \rightarrow(Z, \gamma)$ is $(\kappa, \gamma)$-continuous.

## Definition 1.3:

i. [1], [6], Let $(U, \kappa)$ and $(V, \lambda)$ be two D.I and, $f, g:(U, \kappa) \rightarrow(V, \lambda)$ are two $(\kappa, \lambda)$-continuous functions and $h:[U \times, m]_{\mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow V$ is defined as $h(\alpha, 0)=$ $f(\alpha)$ and $h(\alpha, m)=g(\alpha) \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $\alpha \in U$.
ii. A function h is a digital $(\kappa, \lambda)$-homotopy, and $f, g$ are $(\kappa, \lambda)$
digitally homotopic in $V$ (denoted by $f \sim$ $g$.
iii. If $h(\alpha, t)=\alpha \forall t \in[0, m]_{\mathbb{Z}}$, then $h$ holds $\alpha$ fixed.
iv. [1], If $A$ is a subset of $U$ and $r: U \rightarrow A$ is a $\kappa$-continuous function, then $r$ is a retraction. If $r(a)=a \forall a \in A$, then $A$ is a retract.
v. If $i: A \rightarrow U$ is an inclusion function, and $i \circ r \sim_{\kappa} i d_{U}$, then $A$ is a $\kappa$-deformation retract of $U$.
iv. The function $f:(U, \kappa) \rightarrow(V, \lambda)$ is an isomorphisim (homeomorphisim) if $f$ is a bijective continuous function and $f^{-1}$ is continuous.
v. If $(U, \kappa)$ is a digital image, then $C(U, \kappa)=\{f: U \rightarrow U: f$ is continuous $\}$.
vi. If $f(\alpha)=\alpha \forall \alpha \in U$ and $f \in C(U, \kappa)$, then $\alpha$ is a fixed point.
vii. $\quad$ Fix $(f)$ is the set of all fixed points of $U$.

Theorem 1.4: [3], If $\left(U_{i}, \kappa_{i}\right)$ and $\left(V_{i}, \lambda_{i}\right)$ are D.I
$\forall 1 \leq i \leq v, f_{i}:\left(U_{i}, \kappa_{i}\right) \rightarrow\left(V_{i}, \lambda_{i}\right)$ and
$f: \prod_{i=1}^{v} U_{i} \rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^{v} V_{i}$ given by $f\left(\alpha^{1}, \alpha^{2}, \ldots, \alpha_{v}\right)=\left(f^{1}\left(\alpha^{1}\right), f^{2}\left(\alpha^{2}\right), \ldots, f_{v}\left(\alpha_{v}\right)\right)$
which is $\left(N P_{v}\left(\kappa_{1}, \kappa_{2}, \ldots, \kappa_{v}\right), N P_{v}\left(\lambda_{1}, \lambda_{2}, \ldots, \lambda_{v}\right)\right)-$ continuous iff $f_{i}$ is $\left(\kappa_{i}, \lambda_{i}\right)-\psi$ ontinuous $\forall \alpha_{i} \in U_{i}$.

## Definition 1.5, [1]:

i. A continuous function $f:(U, \kappa) \rightarrow$ $(V, \lambda)$ is rigid if there is no continuous map homotopic to f except itself.
ii. $\quad U$ is rigid if $i d:(U, \kappa) \rightarrow(U, \kappa)$ is rigid.
iii. [7], If a finite image $U$ is homotopy equivalent to an image with fewer points, it is said to be reducible. Otherwise, U is irreducible.
iv. [1], If $(U, \kappa)$ is irreducible, then for some point $\alpha \in U \exists f \in C(U, \kappa)$ such that $\mathrm{id} \simeq{ }_{\kappa} f$ and $\alpha \notin f, \alpha$ is a reduction point.

Remark 1.6: [7], A finite image $(U, \kappa)$ is reducible if id: $(U, \kappa) \rightarrow(U, \kappa)$ is homotopic to a non-surjective function.

Definition 1.7: [8], For the D.I $(U, \kappa)$ and $f \in C(U, \kappa)$ :
i. The set $S(f)=\left\{\right.$ no. Fix $\left.(h): h \sim_{\kappa} f\right\}$ is the homotopy fixed point spectrum of the function.
ii. The set $S\left(f, \alpha_{0}\right)=\left\{\right.$ no. Fix $(h): h \sim_{\kappa} f$ holding $\alpha_{0}$ fixed $\}$ is the pointed homotopy fixed point spectrum of the function f for some $\alpha_{0} \in \operatorname{Fix}(f)$.
iii. The set $F(U, \kappa)=\{$ no. Fix $(f): f \in$ $C(U, \kappa)\}$ is the fixed point spectrum of $(U, \kappa)$.
iv. The set $F\left(U, \kappa, \alpha_{0}\right)=\{$ no. Fix $(f): f \in$ $\left.C(U, \kappa), \alpha_{0} \in F i x(f)\right\}$ is the pointed fixed point spectrum of (U, $\left.\kappa, \alpha_{0}\right)$.

Theorem 1.8: i. [8], If $V$ is a retract of the D.I $(A, \kappa)$, then $F(A) \subset F(U)$.
ii. If $\left(A, \kappa, \alpha_{0}\right)$ is a retract of $\left(U, \kappa, \alpha_{0}\right)$, then $F\left(A, \kappa, \alpha_{0}\right) \subset F\left(U, \kappa, \alpha_{0}\right)$

## 3 Freezing Sets

Definition 2.1: [1], If $(U, \kappa)$ is a D.I, then $A$ is a freezing subset for $U$ if $A \subset \operatorname{Fix}(g) \Rightarrow g=i d_{U}$ for some $g \in C(U, \kappa)$

Theorem 2.2: If $(U, \kappa)$ is a D.I and $A$ is a freezing subset for $U$, then:
i. $\quad i d_{A}$ has a unique extension of $i d_{U}$ to a member of $C(U, \kappa)$.
ii. If $h ;(U, \kappa) \rightarrow(V, \lambda)$ is an isomorphisim, $g:(U, \kappa) \rightarrow(V, \lambda)$ is continuous and $\left.\mathrm{h}\right|_{A}=\left.g\right|_{A}$ then $g=h$.
iii. A continuous function $f:(A, \kappa) \rightarrow(V, \lambda)$ has one extension to an isomorphism $F:(U, \kappa) \rightarrow(V, \lambda)$.

Lemma 2.3: Freezing sets are topological invariants.

Theorem 2.4: If $(U, \kappa)$ is a D.I and $V$ is a freezing subset for $U$ and $f:(U, \kappa) \rightarrow(V, \lambda)$ is an isomorphism, then $f(A)$ is a freezing set for $(V, \lambda)$.

Proof: Suppose that $f \in C(U, \kappa)$ and
$\left.f\right|_{F(A)}=i d_{V} \|_{F(A)}$. Now, $f \circ F(A)=\left.f\right|_{F(A)} \circ$
$\left.F\right|_{F(A)}=\left.\left.i d_{V}\right|_{F(A)} \circ F\right|_{F(A)}=\left.F\right|_{F(A)}$ and by theorem
3.2,
$f \circ F=F$, then

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f=(f \circ F) \circ F^{-1}=F \circ F^{-1}=i d_{V}
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Thus $F(A)$ is a freezing set for $V$.
Theorem 2.5: If $\left(U, C_{Z}\right) \subset \mathbb{Z}^{\mathrm{n}}$ is a D.I for $z \in$ $\left.[1, n], f \in C\left(U, c_{z}\right\}\right), \alpha, \alpha^{\prime} \in U: \alpha \leftrightarrow_{c_{z}} \alpha^{\prime}$ and $p_{i}(f(\alpha)) \leq p_{i}(\alpha) \leq p_{i}\left(\alpha^{\prime}\right)$, then $p_{i}(f(\alpha)) \leq p_{i}\left(\alpha^{\prime}\right)$.

Proof: If $p_{i}(f(\alpha)) \leq p_{i}(\alpha) \leq p_{i}\left(\alpha^{\prime}\right)$ and $p_{i}(\alpha)=m$ then $p_{i}\left(q^{\prime}\right)=m-1$.

Hence $p_{i}(f(\alpha))>m$, but $f \in C\left(U, c_{z}\right)$, so $f(\alpha) \leftrightarrow_{c_{z}} f\left(\alpha^{\prime}\right)$.
Therefore, $p_{i}(f(\alpha)) \leq p_{i}(\alpha) \leq p_{i}\left(\alpha^{\prime}\right)$.

## Theorem 2.6:

i. If $(U, \kappa)$ is a D.I and $A \subset U$ is a retract of $U$, then $(A, \kappa)$ has no freezing sets for $(U, \kappa)$.
ii. If $(U, \kappa)$ is a reducible digital image and $A$ is a freezing subset for $U$, then if $a \in$ $U$ is a reduction point of $U, \alpha \in A$.

Proof: i. If $i:(A, \kappa) \rightarrow(U, \kappa)$ is an inclusion function, then $r:(U, \kappa) \rightarrow(A, \kappa)$ is a retraction and $f=i \circ r$ is $(\kappa, \kappa)$-continuous.

Now, $\left.f\right|_{A}=i d_{A}$, but f is not the identity function.
ii. If $a \in U$ is a reduction point of $U$,
then $\exists r: U \rightarrow U-\{a\}$ where $U-\{a\}$ has no freezing sets for $(U, \kappa)$.

## 4 Boundaries of Freezing Sets

Definition 3.1:
i. [1], If $(U, \kappa)$ is a D.I and $A \subset U$ is a freezing set for $U$, then $A$ is minimal if no proper subset of $A$ is a freezing set for $U$.
ii. [9], If $U \subset \mathbb{Z}^{\mathrm{n}}$, then the boundary of $U$ is $B d(U)=\left\{\alpha: \alpha \leftrightarrow_{c_{1}} \beta\right.$ for some $\beta \in$ $\left.\mathbb{Z}^{\mathrm{n}}-U\right\}$.
iii. $\quad$ [1], The interior of $U$ is $\operatorname{int}(U)=U-$ $B d(U)$.

Theorem 3.2: Let $U \subset \mathbb{Z}^{\mathrm{n}}$ be finite, $A$ is a subset of $U, f \in C\left(U, c_{z}\right) \forall z \in[1, n]$. If $B d(A) \subset \operatorname{Fix}(f)$ and $B d(A)$ is a freezing set for $\left(U, c_{z}\right)$, then $A \subset$ Fix $(f)$.

Proof: Let $\alpha=\left(\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \ldots, \alpha_{n}\right) \notin \operatorname{Fix}(f)$ but $\alpha$ is an interior point of $A$.

Now, $\exists j \in[1, n]$ such that $p_{j}(f(\alpha)) \neq \alpha_{j}$, and because of the finiteness, there exists a path $P=$ $\left\{\left(\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \ldots, \alpha_{j-1}, a_{i}, \alpha_{j+1}, \ldots, \alpha_{n}\right\} \forall i \in[1, m]\right.$.

For $i=1$ and $m$, the path belongs to $B d(A)$, and for $i=2, \ldots, m-1$, the path belongs to $\operatorname{int}(A)$.

By theorem 3.5, the path does not belong to $\operatorname{Fix}(f)$ for $i=1$ and $m$ which contradicts the assumption.

Thus, $\alpha=\left(\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \ldots, \alpha_{n}\right) \notin \operatorname{Fix}(f)$.
Theorem 3.3: [10], If $\prod_{j=1}^{n}\left[0, m_{j}\right]_{\mathbb{Z}} \subset \mathbb{Z}^{\mathrm{n}}$ such that $m_{j}>1 \forall j$, then $B d(U)$ is a minimal freezing set for $\left(U, c_{n}\right)$.

Proof: Let $\beta=\left(\beta_{1}, \beta_{2}, \ldots, \beta_{n}\right) \in B d(U)-A$ for some proper set $A$ of $B d(U)$.

For some index $j$, we have $\beta_{j} \in\left\{0, m_{j}\right\}$. If $\beta_{j}=0$, then for the function $f: U \rightarrow U$ given by
$f(\alpha)=\alpha \forall \alpha \neq \beta$ and $f(\beta)=$
$f\left(\beta_{1}, \ldots, \beta_{j-1}, \beta_{j+1}, \ldots, \beta_{n}\right)$ we have $\left.f \in C\left(U, c_{n}\right\}\right)$ where $\left.f\right|_{A}=i d_{A}$ and $f \neq i d_{U}$.

Now, if $\beta_{j}=m_{j}$, then $f(\alpha)=\alpha \forall \alpha \neq \beta$ and
$f(\beta)=\left(\beta_{1}, \ldots, \beta_{j-1}, m_{j}-1, \beta_{j+1}, \ldots, \beta_{n}\right)$ where $f \in C\left(U, c_{n}\right)$ where $\left.f\right|_{A}=i d_{A}$ and $f \neq i d_{U}$.

Theorem 3.4: If $\left(U_{i}, \kappa_{i}\right)$ is a set of D.I $\forall i \in$ $[1, v]_{\mathbb{Z}}, \mathrm{U}=\prod_{i=1}^{v} U_{i}$ and a subset $A$ of $U$ is a freezing set for $\left(U, N P_{v}\left(\kappa^{1}, \kappa^{2}, \ldots, \kappa_{v}\right)\right)$, then for the projection function
$p_{j}: \prod_{i=1}^{v} U_{i} \rightarrow U_{j}$ given by $p\left(\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \ldots, \alpha_{v}\right)=\alpha_{j}$ we have $p_{i}(A)$ is a freezing set for $\left(U_{i}, \kappa_{i}\right) \forall i \in$ $[1, v]_{\mathbb{Z}}$.

Proof: Suppose $f_{i} \in C\left(U_{i}, \kappa_{i}\right)$ and $g: U \rightarrow U$ is defined as

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g\left(\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \ldots, \alpha_{v}\right)=\left(f_{1}\left(\alpha_{1}\right), f_{2}\left(\alpha_{2}\right), \ldots, f_{v}\left(\alpha_{v}\right)\right)
$$

then $g \in C\left(U, N P_{v}\left(\kappa_{1}, \kappa_{2}, \ldots, \kappa_{v}\right)\right)$.
Now, $f_{i}\left(\alpha_{i}\right)=\alpha_{i} \forall i \in p_{i}(A)$, but $A$ is a freezing set for $U$, hence $g=i d_{U}$,

Therefore, $f_{i}=i d_{U_{i}}$.

## 5 Conclusion

Freezing sets are topological invariants. So, If $(U, \kappa)$ is a D.I, $V$ is a freezing subset for $U$ and $f:(U, \kappa) \rightarrow$ $(V, \lambda)$ is an isomorphism, then $f(A)$ is a freezing set for $(V, \lambda) . i:(A, \kappa) \rightarrow(U, \kappa)$ is an inclusion function, then $r:(U, \kappa) \rightarrow(A, \kappa)$ is a retraction and $f=i \circ r$ is $(\kappa, \kappa)$-continuous. Moreover, if $U \subset$ $\mathbb{Z}^{\mathrm{n}}$ is finite, $A$ is a subset of $U, f \in C\left(U, c_{z}\right) \forall z \in$ $[1, n]$. If $B d(A) \subset F i x(f)$ and $B d(A)$ is a freezing set for $\left(U, c_{z}\right)$, then $A \subset \operatorname{Fix}(f)$.

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