## **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 n,  $U \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$  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  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ . When these conditions (finiteness of X) and (closedness of adjacency points) are satisfied, the digital image may be viewed as a model of a whiteand-black "real world" image, where white points in the background are declared by elements of  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  –  $\{U\}$  and the black points in the foreground by members of 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  $1 \le z \le n$  and
- $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n) \neq (\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n) = \beta, \text{ then}$  $\alpha \leftrightarrow_{c_z} \beta \text{ iff}$ (i) For at most indices it  $|\alpha_1 - \beta_1|$
- (i) For at most indices i,  $|\alpha_i \beta_i|$ . (ii) For all indices i,  $|\alpha_i - \beta_i|$ .
- (ii) For all indices j,  $|\alpha_i \beta_i|$  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 Z is c₁ -adjacency.
(ii) The 4 -adjacency is c₁ -adjacency is and the 8 -adjacency in Z² is c₂ -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  $NP(\kappa, \lambda)$  denotes the strong product adjacency or normal adjacency, [2], on  $U \times V$  iff

 $\forall \alpha_0, \alpha_1 \in U \text{ and } \beta_0, \beta_1 \in V \text{ where}$   $p_0 = (\alpha_0, \beta_0) \neq p_1 = (\alpha_1, \beta_1),$   $p_0 \leftrightarrow_{NP(\kappa,\lambda)} p_1 \text{ if one of the following conditions is}$ valid: (i)  $\alpha_0 \leftrightarrow_{\kappa} \alpha_1$  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  $1 \le z \le v$ ,  $(U_i, \kappa_i) \forall 1 \le i \le v$  and  $U = \prod_{i=1}^{v} U_i$ , then the adjacency  $NP_z(\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots, \kappa_v)$ , [3], is defined as: For some  $\alpha_i$ and  $\alpha_{i'}$  in  $U_i$ , if  $p = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_v) \ne q = (\alpha_1', \alpha_2', \dots, \alpha_v')$ , then:  $p \leftrightarrow_{NP_z(\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots, \kappa_v)} q$  if for at least 1 and at most z indices  $i, x_i \leftrightarrow_{\kappa_i} x_i'$  and  $\forall j$  indices,  $\alpha_j = \alpha_j'$ . In this paper, "digital images" is referred to as D.I.

## 2 ( $\kappa$ , $\lambda$ ) –Digitally Continuous Function

Definition 1.1:

- i. [4], If  $(U, \kappa)$  and  $(V, \lambda)$  are two D.I, then  $f: U \to V$  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  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=0}^m$ such that  $\alpha_0 = \alpha$ ,  $\alpha_m = \beta$  and  $\alpha_i \rightleftharpoons \alpha_{i+1} \forall i = 1, 2, ..., m-1$  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in U$ . Now, if  $\alpha_i \ne \alpha_j \forall i \ne j$ , then the length of the path is m.
- iii. The path from  $\alpha$  to  $\beta$  is a  $(2, \kappa) P$ , where  $P: [0, m]_{\mathbb{Z}} \to U$  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.  $f: U \to V$  is a  $(\kappa, \lambda)$  –digitally continuous function iff  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in U$ , if  $\alpha \leftrightarrow_{\kappa} \beta$ , then  $f(\alpha) \rightleftharpoons_{\lambda} f(\beta)$ .

ii. If  $(Z, \gamma)$  is a D.I and  $g: (V, \lambda) \to (Z, \gamma)$  is  $(\lambda, \gamma)$  –continuous, then  $g \circ f: (U, \kappa) \to (Z, \gamma)$  is  $(\kappa, \gamma)$  –continuous.

Definition 1.3:

- i. [1], [6], Let  $(U, \kappa)$  and  $(V, \lambda)$  be two D.I and,  $f, g: (U, \kappa) \to (V, \lambda)$  are two  $(\kappa, \lambda)$  -continuous functions and  $h: [U \times, m]_{\mathbb{Z}} \to V$  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  $r: U \to A$  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  $i: A \to U$  is an inclusion function, and  $i \circ r \sim_{\kappa} id_{U}$ , then A is a  $\kappa$  -deformation retract of U.
  - iv. The function  $f: (U, \kappa) \to (V, \lambda)$  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  $C(U, \kappa) = \{f: U \to U: f \text{ is continuous}\}.$
  - vi. If  $f(\alpha) = \alpha \forall \alpha \in U$  and  $f \in C(U, \kappa)$ , then  $\alpha$  is a fixed point.
  - vii. Fix(f) is the set of all fixed points of U.

Theorem 1.4: [3], If  $(U_i, \kappa_i)$  and  $(V_i, \lambda_i)$  are D.I  $\forall 1 \le i \le \nu, f_i: (U_i, \kappa_i) \to (V_i, \lambda_i)$  and  $f: \prod_{i=1}^{\nu} U_i \to \prod_{i=1}^{\nu} V_i$  given by  $f(\alpha^1, \alpha^2, ..., \alpha_{\nu}) = (f^1(\alpha^1), f^2(\alpha^2), ..., f_{\nu}(\alpha_{\nu}))$ which is  $(NP_{\nu}(\kappa_1, \kappa_2, ..., \kappa_{\nu}), NP_{\nu}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_{\nu}))$ continuous iff  $f_i$  is  $(\kappa_i, \lambda_i) - \psi$ 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. U is rigid if  $id: (U, \kappa) \to (U, \kappa)$  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  $id \simeq_{\kappa} f$  and  $\alpha \notin f$ ,  $\alpha$  is a reduction point.

*Remark 1.6*: [7], A finite image  $(U, \kappa)$  is reducible if  $id: (U, \kappa) \to (U, \kappa)$  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  $S(f) = \{no.Fix(h): h \sim_{\kappa} f\}$  is the homotopy fixed point spectrum of the function .
- ii. The set  $S(f, \alpha_0) = \{no. Fix(h): h \sim_{\kappa} f \text{ holding } \alpha_0 \text{ fixed}\}$  is the pointed homotopy fixed point spectrum of the function f for some  $\alpha_0 \in Fix(f)$ .
- 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  $F(U, \kappa, \alpha_0) = \{no. Fix(f): f \in C(U, \kappa), \alpha_0 \in Fix(f)\}$  is the pointed fixed point spectrum of  $(U, \kappa, \alpha_0)$ .

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

ii. If  $(A, \kappa, \alpha_0)$  is a retract of  $(U, \kappa, \alpha_0)$ , then  $F(A, \kappa, \alpha_0) \subset F(U, \kappa, \alpha_0)$ 

## **3 Freezing Sets**

Definition 2.1: [1], If  $(U,\kappa)$  is a D.I, then A is a freezing subset for U if  $A \subset Fix(g) \Rightarrow g = id_U$  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.  $id_A$  has a unique extension of  $id_U$  to a member of  $C(U, \kappa)$ .
- ii. If  $h; (U, \kappa) \to (V, \lambda)$  is an isomorphisim,  $g: (U, \kappa) \to (V, \lambda)$  is continuous and  $h|_A = g|_A$  then g = h.
- iii. A continuous function  $f: (A, \kappa) \to (V, \lambda)$ has one extension to an isomorphism  $F: (U, \kappa) \to (V, \lambda).$

*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  $f: (U, \kappa) \to (V, \lambda)$  is an isomorphism, then f(A) is a freezing set for  $(V, \lambda)$ .

Proof: Suppose that  $f \in C(U, \kappa)$  and  $f|_{F(A)}=id_V||_{F(A)}$ . Now,  $f \circ F(A) = f|_{F(A)} \circ$   $F|_{F(A)} = id_V|_{F(A)} \circ F|_{F(A)} = F|_{F(A)}$  and by theorem 3.2,  $f \circ F = F$ , then  $f = (f \circ F) \circ F^{-1} = F \circ F^{-1} = id_V$ 

Thus F(A) is a freezing set for V.

Theorem 2.5: If  $(U, C_Z) \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$  is a D.I for  $z \in [1, n], f \in C(U, c_Z)$ ,  $\alpha, \alpha' \in U: \alpha \leftrightarrow_{c_Z} \alpha'$  and  $p_i(f(\alpha)) \leq p_i(\alpha) \leq p_i(\alpha')$ , then  $p_i(f(\alpha)) \leq p_i(\alpha')$ .

Proof: If  $p_i(f(\alpha)) \le p_i(\alpha) \le p_i(\alpha')$  and  $p_i(\alpha) = m$  then  $p_i(q') = m - 1$ . Hence  $p_i(f(\alpha)) > m$ , but  $f \in C(U, c_z)$ , so  $f(\alpha) \leftrightarrow_{c_z} f(\alpha')$ . Therefore,  $p_i(f(\alpha)) \le p_i(\alpha) \le p_i(\alpha')$ .

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

Now,  $f|_A = id_A$ , but f is not the identity function.

ii. If  $a \in U$  is a reduction point of U, then  $\exists r: U \to U - \{a\}$  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  $U \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$ , then the boundary of Uis  $Bd(U) = \{\alpha : \alpha \leftrightarrow_{c_1} \beta \text{ for some } \beta \in \mathbb{Z}^n - U\}.$

iii. [1], The interior of U is int(U) = U - Bd(U).

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

Proof: Let  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, ..., \alpha_n) \notin Fix(f)$  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 = $\{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, ..., \alpha_{j-1}, \alpha_i, \alpha_{j+1}, ..., \alpha_n\} \forall i \in [1, m].$ 

For i = 1 and m, the path belongs to Bd(A), and for i = 2, ..., m - 1, the path belongs to int(A).

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

Thus,  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n) \notin Fix(f)$ .

Theorem 3.3: [10], If  $\prod_{j=1}^{n} [0, m_j]_{\mathbb{Z}} \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$  such that  $m_j > 1 \forall j$ , then Bd(U) is a minimal freezing set for  $(U, c_n)$ .

Proof: Let  $\beta = (\beta_1, \beta_2, ..., \beta_n) \in Bd(U) - A$  for some proper set *A* of Bd(U).

For some index *j*, we have  $\beta_j \in \{0, m_j\}$ . If  $\beta_j=0$ , then for the function  $f: U \to U$  given by

 $f(\alpha) = \alpha \forall \alpha \neq \beta \text{ and } f(\beta) =$ 

 $f(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{j-1}, \beta_{j+1}, \dots, \beta_n)$  we have  $f \in C(U, c_n)$ where  $f|_A = id_A$  and  $f \neq id_U$ .

Now, if  $\beta_j = m_j$ , then  $f(\alpha) = \alpha \forall \alpha \neq \beta$  and  $f(\beta) = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{j-1}, m_j - 1, \beta_{j+1}, \dots, \beta_n)$  where

 $f \in C(U, c_n)$  where  $f|_A = id_A$  and  $f \neq id_U$ .

Theorem 3.4: If  $(U_i, \kappa_i)$  is a set of D.I  $\forall i \in [1, \nu]_{\mathbb{Z}}$ ,  $U = \prod_{i=1}^{\nu} U_i$  and a subset A of U is a freezing set for  $(U, NP_{\nu}(\kappa^1, \kappa^2, ..., \kappa_{\nu}))$ , then for the projection function  $n : \Pi^{\nu} = U \Rightarrow U_i$  given by  $n(\alpha_i, \alpha_i, \ldots, \alpha_{\nu}) = \alpha_i$ 

 $p_j: \prod_{i=1}^{\nu} U_i \to U_j \text{ given by } p(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{\nu}) = \alpha_j$ we have  $p_i(A)$  is a freezing set for  $(U_i, \kappa_i) \forall i \in [1, \nu]_{\mathbb{Z}}$ .

Proof: Suppose  $f_i \in C(U_i, \kappa_i)$  and  $g: U \to U$  is defined as

 $g(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{\nu}) = (f_1(\alpha_1), f_2(\alpha_2), \dots, f_{\nu}(\alpha_{\nu})),$ then  $g \in C(U, NP_{\nu}(\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots, \kappa_{\nu})).$ 

Now,  $f_i(\alpha_i) = \alpha_i \forall i \in p_i(A)$ , but *A* is a freezing set for *U*, hence  $g = id_U$ ,

Therefore,  $f_i = id_{U_i}$ .

## **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  $U \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$  is finite, A is a subset of  $U, f \in C(U, c_z) \forall z \in$ [1, n]. If  $Bd(A) \subset Fix(f)$  and Bd(A) is a freezing set for  $(U, c_z)$ , then  $A \subset Fix(f)$ .

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