## "Transform and Variational Methods in Image Processing"

Hartmut Führ, Institut für Biomathematik und Biometrie, GSF Forschungszentrum Neuherberg

The series consists of three sections. A preliminary outline of the sections is given below. The references given right after the section titles are intended to provide a somewhat broader introduction to the section topic, or at least -in the case of the papers [6, 7]– to be representative for the central topic of the section.

The references given after the title of a talk are directly relevant to the subject of the talk. I refer to my papers and scripts chiefly because they are freely available.

- I. Wavelet orthonormal bases: Construction, properties, algorithms [17, Chapter VII], [12, Chapters 3 and 4]
  - I.1 Multiresolution analysis and wavelets [5, 12, 17, 20]
  - I.2 Compactly supported wavelets [5, 12, 17, 20]
  - I.3 The fast wavelet transform and its filterbank interpretation [5, 12, 17, 20]
- II. Wavelet algorithms as a special case of variational image processing [6, 7, 3]
  - II.1 Variational image models and function spaces [3, 19]
  - II.2 Wavelet characterization of function spaces: Besov spaces [20, 18], BV [4]
  - II.3 Wavelet shrinkage denoising and its variational interpretation [11, 6]
  - II.4 Variations on wavelet shrinkage, and relations to the Osher-Rudin-Fatemi model [16]
- III. Multiscale image approximation techniques beyond wavelets [13]
  - III.1 Curvelets: A filterbank approach with improved directional resolution [1, 2, 8, 9]
  - III.2 Wedgelets and related approximation schemes [10, 14, 15]
- A brief description of the three sections and their aims is as follows:
  - I. This section deals with the construction of wavelet orthonormal bases in one and two dimensions. The central notion is that of *multiresolution analysis*, which plays a vital role both in the construction of wavelet orthonormal bases and in providing fast decomposition algorithms. For the purposes of section II, the most important issues are additional properties of wavelets, such as compact supports, smoothness and vanishing moments. Moreover, we present the filterbank interpretation of the fast wavelet transform that provides a natural approach to generalizations presented in Section III.

- II. In this section we consider variational aspects of wavelet algorithms. We start out by giving a review of regularization approaches in image processing, which typically rely on the choice of a suitable Banach function space as model space. We then proceed to present wavelet characterizations of some of these spaces, and show how certain regularization problems relate to algorithms such as wavelet shrinkage. We then sketch more recent (and sophisticated) algorithms for denoising.
- III. Based on the observation that wavelet orthonormal bases are not ideally suited for the approximation of piecewise smooth images with smooth boundaries, several alternative constructions have been proposed recently. We present two approaches in more details, curvelets and wedgelets.

Pdf-files of [6, 7, 12, 13] are provided. For all other references, with the exception of the books [3, 5, 17, 18, 19] and the paper [4], internet locations for preprint versions are indicated.

There are also two presentations in .pdf-format,

- Wavelet analysis of discrete-time and continuous-time signals, related to I and II.2
- Wedgelets and related schemes: Multiscale modelling of geometric image structures, related to III.2

which can be found under http://ibb.gsf.de/homepage/hartmut.fuehr/talks.html

## Literatur

- E. Candes and D. Donoho, Curvelets A Surprisingly Effective Nonadaptive Representation for Objects with Edges, Curves and Surfaces, L. Schumaker et al. (eds), Vanderbilt University Press, Nashville, TN, 1999. Preprint version available at http://www-stat.stanford.edu/ donoho/reports.html
- [2] E. Candes and D. Donoho, New tight frames of curvelets and optimal representations of objects with  $C^2$  singularities, Commun. Pure Appl. Math. **57** (2004), 219-266. Preprint version available on http://www-stat.stanford.edu/ donoho/reports.html
- [3] T.F. Chan and J. Shen: Image Processing. Variational, PDE, Wavelet and Stochastic Methods. SIAM, Philadelphia, 2005.
- [4] A. Cohen, R. DeVore, P. Petrushev and H. Xu, Nonlinear approximation and the space BV(ℝ<sup>2</sup>), Am.J.Math. **121** (1999), 587-628.
- [5] I. Daubechies: Ten Lectures on Wavelets. SIAM, Philadelphia, 1992.
- [6] A. Chambolle, R.A. De Vore, N.-Y. Lee and B.J. Lucier, Nonlinear wavelet image processing: variational problems, compression, and noise removal through wavelet shrinkage, IEEE Transactions on Image Processing 7 (1998), 319 - 335.
- [7] R.A. DeVore, B. Jawerth and B.J. Lucier Image compression through wavelet transform coding, IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory 38 (1992), 719-746.

- [8] M. Do and M. Vetterli, The contourlet transform: an efficient directional multiresolution image representation, IEEE Transactions on Image Processing 14 (2005), 2091-2106. Preprint version available at http://www.ifp.uiuc.edu/minhdo/publications/.
- [9] M. Do and M. Vetterli, Contourlets, in Beyond Wavelets, G. V. Welland ed., Academic Press, 2003.Preprint version available at http://www.ifp.uiuc.edu/ minhdo/publications/.
- [10] D. Donoho. Wedgelets: nearly minimax estimation of edges, Ann. Statist. 27, no. 3, 1999, pp. 859–897. Preprint version available at http://www-stat.stanford.edu/ donoho/reports.html
- [11] D. Donoho and I. Johnstone, Minimax estimation via wavelet shrinkage, Ann. Stat. 26 (1998), 879-921. Preprint version available at http://www-stat.stanford.edu/ donoho/reports.html
- [12] H. Führ: Wavelets. Vorlesungsskript (2005).
- [13] H. Führ, L. Demaret and F. Friedrich, Beyond wavelets: New image representation paradigms. Book chapter, to appear in M. Barni and F. Bartolini, Document and Image Compression, Taylor and Francis 2006.
- [14] F. Friedrich: Complexity Penalized Segmentations in 2D. PhD Thesis, TU Munich, 2005. Available via http://www.antsinfields.de/wedgelet/publications.html.
- [15] F. Friedrich, L. Demaret, H. Führ, K. Wicker, Efficient Moment Computation over Polygonal Domains with an Application to Rapid Wedgelet Approximation, preprint available at http://ibb.gsf.de/preprints/2005/pp05-37.html.
- [16] A. Haddad and Y. Meyer, Variational methods in image processing. Preprint version available at http://www.math.ucla.edu/applied/cam/
- [17] S. Mallat: A Wavelet Tour of Signal Processing. 2nd ed. Academic Press, 1999.
- [18] Y. Meyer: Wavelets and Operators. Cambridge University Press 1995.
- [19] J.-M. Morel and S. Solimini: Variational methods in image segmentation with 7 image processing experiments. Progress in Nonlinear Differential Equations and their Applications. 14. Birkhäuser, Basel, 1994.
- [20] P. Wojtaszczyk: A Mathematical Introduction to Wavelets. London Mathematical Society Student Texts 37. Cambridge University Press, 1997.