Posterior is

$$p(x|y) \propto p(y|x)p(x) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}\sum_{i\in V}(y_i - x_i)^2\right]p(x)$$
 (1)

We know p(x) is a pairwise MRF which can be written according to Hammersley-Clifford as

$$p(x) \propto \prod_{i} \phi_{\{i\}}(x_i) \prod_{i < j} \phi_{\{i,j\}}(x_i, x_j)$$

Thus

$$p(x|y) \propto \prod_{i} \tilde{\phi}_{\{i\}}(x_i) \prod_{i \leq i} \phi_{\{i,j\}}(x_i, x_j)$$

where

$$\phi_{\{i\}}(x_i) = \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(y_i - x_i)^2)\phi_{\{i\}}(x_i).$$

Hence according to Hammersley-Clifford, p(x|y) is also a MRF.

## Exercise 6 continued

Rewriting in terms of vectors y and x we get

$$p(x|y) \propto \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(y-x)^{\mathsf{T}}(\sigma^{-2}I)(y-x) - \frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^{\mathsf{T}}(Q+\tau I)(x-\mu))$$

$$\propto \exp(-\frac{1}{2}x^{\mathsf{T}}(Q+(\tau+\sigma^{-2})I)x + x^{\mathsf{T}}(\sigma^{-2}y + (Q+\tau I)\mu))$$

$$= \exp(-\frac{1}{2}x^{\mathsf{T}}Kx + x^{\mathsf{T}}KK^{-1}(\sigma^{-2}y + (Q+\tau I)\mu))$$

where  $K = Q + (\tau + \sigma^{-2})I$ . Hence, according to hint, X|Y = y| is multivariate normal with precision matrix K and mean vector  $\xi = K^{-1}(\sigma^{-2}y + (Q + \tau I)\mu)$ .

If  $\tau=0$ ,  $K=Q+\sigma^{-2}I$  is still an invertible matrix and  $\xi=K^{-1}\sigma^{-2}y$  does not depend on  $\mu$  when  $\mu$  is a constant vector.

Run code in gibbs\_sampler.R.

Note how results are very different depending on whether we are below critical value 0.88 (with  $\tilde{\beta}=0.4,0.7$ ) or above critical value (with  $\beta=0.9$ ).

Use code in bayesian\_ising.R.

Enjoy the nice reconstructed image given by the posterior mean !

We saw in Exercise 6 that with  $\tau = 0$ , the posterior mean was

$$K^{-1}\sigma^{-2}y = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}(Q + \sigma^{-2}I)^{-1}y = (\sigma^2Q + I)^{-1}y$$

Try out code in bayesian\_GMRF.R. Note that resulting posterior mean is too smooth along the edges of the image.