

Assignment 1 : Basic Image Editor

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Abstract—This report aims to demonstrate some basic image processing algorithms introduced in class and create a GUI-based platform that integrates several image processing functionalities. Using Python, a simple user interface is designed and is accessible on all devices.

I. INTRODUCTION

Image processing entails applying some operations to images to extract their features and hidden details. Implementing an algorithm becomes effective if the result of the process is known. This assignment aims to create an efficient GUI-based platform that includes a comprehensive set of tools to explore various techniques for image processing.

PyQt5, a Python library, is used for designing the GUI interface. The editor consists of two types of features - primary features supporting the image processing techniques, and secondary features needed for image manipulation.

The primary features involved are:

- 1) Histogram equalization
- 2) Gamma correction
- 3) Log transformation
- 4) Image blurring
- 5) Image sharpening

The secondary features involved are:

- 1) Load the image
- 2) Undo the last operation
- 3) RESET (undo all changes)
- 4) Save the image
- 5) Close and exit

The additional features added are:

- 1) Image negative
- 2) Edge detection using the Sobel operator.

The image editor supports both Gray-scale and colour images. Colour images are transformed into Value(V) channel, equivalent to the colour image in HSV space. Upon completion of the processing, the V channel is converted back to RGB space for subsequent applications.

The report consists of the following sections:

- Section-2 includes a glossary of requirements for tackling the problem based on the background readings and findings.

- Section-3 describes the development process of the editor and briefly summarizes the techniques used to create it.
- Section-4 presents the results of each technique.
- Section-5 highlights the challenges faced and potential solutions possible if given more time.

II. BACKGROUND READING

In addition to the various online resources, the class notes, lecture slides, and the book "Digital image processing" by Rafael C. Gonzalez and Richard E. Woods were extremely helpful in providing all the related concepts pertaining to each technique.

The main areas of focus are:

• GUI

As someone who has no prior knowledge of GUI programming but is good at Python programming, I looked for various modules like Tkinter and PyQt used for GUI programming. Due to PyQt's advanced features and versatility, I have chosen to build the editor using it due to its ease of use, smooth coding, and better layout.

• COLOR MODELS

Aside from the various colour models available, RGB and HSV are primarily focused. The RGB model of colour displays colours as a collection of primary spectral components of RED (R), GREEN (G), and BLUE (B). It is a 3D colour model based on a cartesian coordinate system. HSV (hue, saturation, value) is a cylinder-shaped colour model that remaps RGB primary colours into human-understanding dimensions.

III. APPROACH

The packages and modules used are:

- OpenCV for reading/writing of images and color space conversion from RGB to HSV.
- NumPy for array operations and vectorization.
- PyQt5 (version 5) for GUI.
- Matplotlib for plotting the histogram of images.

A. GUI Designing

The editor window has been allowed to take the entire desktop. The GUI layout consists of three sections:

- 1) **Buttons grid** - provides the list of buttons used to perform the operations on images.

- 2) **Original image** - always displays the input image on which manipulations are to be done.
 - 3) **Modified image** - displays the processed image.
- A screenshot of the application is provided in Figure 1.

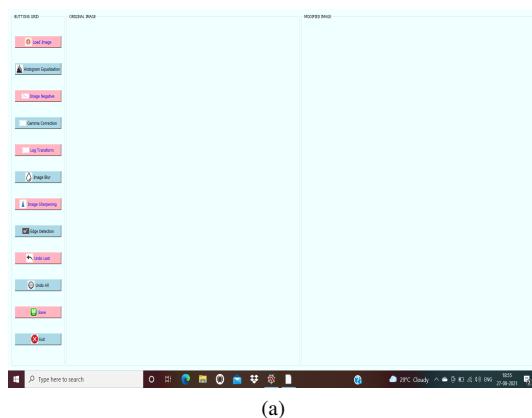


Fig. 1: Image Editor Layout

The Buttons grid consists of the following buttons:

- 1) Load Image: opens an input dialog box for image selection.
- 2) Histogram Equalization: performs histogram equalization on the image.
- 3) Image Negative: displays the image negative.
- 4) Gamma Correction: An option is provided for the user to input the gamma value and perform gamma correction.
- 5) Log Transformation: performs log transformation.
- 6) Image Blurring: uses the Gaussian kernel for blurring the image after asking the user for the filter size and sigma.
- 7) Image Sharpening: sharpens the image using “Unsharp Masking”.
- 8) Edge Detection: performs edge detection using Sobel operator.
- 9) Undo last: undo the last operation performed on image.
- 10) Undo all: undo all the operations performed on the image.
- 11) Save: allows the user to save the modified image.
- 12) Exit: closes and exits the Image Editor.

B. Detailing each operation

- 1) **Loading an image:** Upon clicking the "Load Image" button, a file selector dialog opens, prompting the user to select the input file.

- Files with the extensions ***.jpg, *.png, *.jpeg, *.bmp** are considered for processing. It displays a warning if the file is not compatible with these extensions.
- After taking the image file, it converts the RGB image to an HSV image and only uses the V channel for the processing techniques, with H, S channels untouched.

- After loading the image into the program, it displays the original image in the "Original Image" grid and the processed image in the "Modified Image" grid.(Initially, when the image is selected, both the grids display the loaded image since no manipulations have yet been performed.)

Figure 2 and Figure 3 depict screenshots of the application.

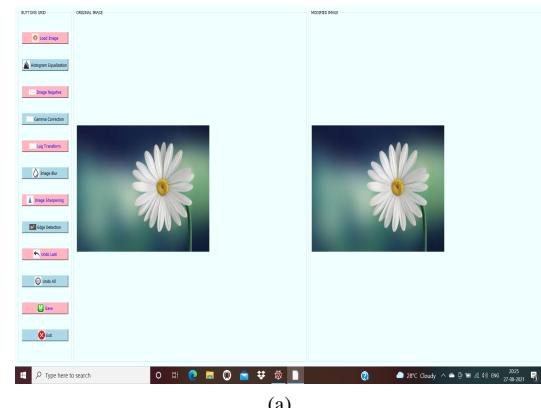


Fig. 2: Loaded Image

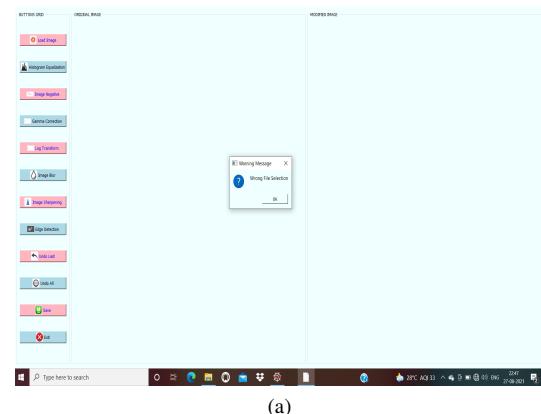


Fig. 3: Wrong File Selection

- 2) **Histogram Equalization:** The histogram equalization technique adjusts the contrast of an image by evenly distributing its pixels over its entire intensity range (0-255, considering the loaded image is an 8-bit image).

- The histogram equalization is performed in this editor using a cumulative distribution function (CDF). The histogram of an equalized image will have a CDF of a straight line.
- Thus, this technique aims to map the image intensities carefully to have an approximate linear CDF for the output / processed image.

The following steps are followed:

- (i) Find the histogram of the input image in the intensity range of [0-255] (total intensity levels $L = 256$) by counting the number of pixels of each intensity.
- (ii) Compute the probability distribution by dividing each intensity count by the total number of pixels.

$$p_r(r_k) = \frac{1}{MN} \sum_{j=0}^k n_j$$

where:

- r_k = kth intensity of input image
- MN = total number of pixels of input image
- n_j = number of pixels

- (iii) Calculate the CDF from the probability distribution.

$$CDF = \sum_{j=0}^k p_r(r_j)$$

- (iv) Take the output image as a zero-filled image with the dimensions of the input image.
- (v) Update the intensities of output image with the rounded values of CDF scaled by 255(i.e., $L-1=255$). Rounding is performed as the intensities need to be discrete.

$$s_k = T(r_k) = (L - 1) \sum_{j=0}^k p_r(r_j) = (L - 1) \times CDF$$

where:

- s_k = kth intensity of output image
- $T(r_k)$ = performing transformation(T) on kth intensity of input image

- (vi) Find the equalized histogram by computing the CDF of output image and rounding off the CDF scaled with 255.
- (vii) Both the original and equalized histograms are plotted and the resulting image is displayed in the “Modified Image” grid.

3) **Image Negative:** Each pixel of the image is subtracted from the maximum intensity value to produce the image negative. Negative images feature the darkening of lighter elements and the lightening of darker ones.

In this editor, the following steps are performed:

- (i) The input image is initially normalized so that the intensity range is [0-1]. Hence, the maximum intensity is one.
- (ii) The output intensities are then calculated using the following mathematical expression:

$$s = c(1 - r)$$

where:

- c = correction factor used to maintain the output image intensities in the range [0-255]
- s = output intensity
- r = input intensity

- (iii) The output image intensities are then normalized by dividing it by its maximum intensity value (making the

output intensity range of [0-1]) and then scaled by 255 (making the output intensity range in [0-255]).

- (iv) The image negative is then displayed in the “Modified Image” grid.

4) **Gamma Correction:** In gamma correction, pixels are enhanced selectively according to their gamma value, controlling the brightness of the overall image.

For $\gamma < 1$, the values of darker pixels are expanded and for $\gamma > 1$, the values of brighter pixels are expanded.

The following steps are performed:

- (i) Clicking the ”Gamma Correction” push-button opens a dialog box asking for the gamma value.
- (ii) It then normalizes the input image so that its intensities fall between [0-1].
- (iii) Next, the intensities of this normalized image are raised to the power of gamma (determined by the user) to obtain the output image intensities by the following mathematical expression,

$$s = cr^\gamma$$

where:

- c = gamma correction factor used to maintain the output image intensities in the range [0-255]

- s = output intensity

- r = input intensity

- (iv) The output image intensities are then normalized by dividing it by its maximum intensity value (making the output intensity range of [0-1]) and then scaled by 255 (making the output intensity range in [0-255]).
- (v) The gamma-corrected image is then displayed in the “Modified Image” grid.

5) **Log Transformation:** A log transform enhances the contrast of dark pixels in the image and compresses the brighter ones.

In this editor, the following steps are performed:

- (i) The input image is initially normalized and thus has a range of intensity [0-1].
- (ii) The output intensities are then calculated using the following mathematical expression:

$$s = c \log(1 + r)$$

where:

- c = correction factor used to maintain the output image intensities in the range [0-255]

- s = output intensity

- r = input intensity

- (iii) One is added to the log since a pixel intensity of zero raises a problem of $\log(0)$.
- (iv) The output image intensities are then normalized by dividing it by its maximum intensity value (making the output intensity range of [0-1]) and then scaled by 255 (making the output intensity range in [0-255]).
- (v) The log-transformed image is then displayed in the “Modified Image” grid.

6) Image Blurring: It is generally possible to analyse an image if all of its objects are identified. We can obtain a sharp and clear image by reducing the contents of edges and allowing smooth transitions between colours. Blurring can help achieve this result.

- An image can be blurred by spatial filtering techniques such as mean filters, weighted average filters (box filters), Gaussian filters, etc., and by frequency domain operations such as low pass filters.
- Blurring is implemented in this application using a Gaussian filter in the spatial domain.

Following are the steps:

- Clicking on the "Image Blur" push-button opens a dialog box asking for the size of the filter.
- The filter size must be odd so that the neighbourhood around the centre pixel is symmetric. As a result, if the user enters an even value for the filter size, a warning appears asking for an odd value.
- Then another dialog box is opened ,when given an odd value, asking for the value of sigma.
- A Gaussian kernel is created based on the values of filter size and sigma using the following expression,

$$G(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

where:

(x, y) = location of pixel of the image.

- The Gaussian kernel is normalized by dividing the intensities of all pixels by their sums.
- The output image is created as a zero-filled image with the same dimensions as the input image.
- A zero padding is applied to the input image based on the filter size.
- Convolution of the padded image and the Gaussian kernel yields the output image intensities.
- "Modified Image" grid then displays the blurred image output.

7) Image Sharpening: Sharpening an image increases its contrast between dark and bright pixels to reveal its hidden details. Sharpening generally refers to a high pass filter. Thus a digital image can be sharpened by digital differentiation. Sharpening of the image is done by "**Unsharp Masking**".

The following steps are performed:

- When the "Image Sharpening" push-button is clicked by the user, a dialog box appears asking the user for the filter size of gaussian kernel.
- Blurring is a basic image processing technique and the method of sharpening using "Unsharp masking" primarily involves blurring of the image.
- If the given filter size is odd, then two dialog boxes are opened asking the user for sigma and scaling constant. Otherwise, it raises an error asking for odd size of filter.
- The blurring is then performed by taking these inputs, forming a Gaussian kernel, performing convolution of the

input image and Gaussian kernel and producing a blurred image.

- The blurred image is subtracted from the input image to get the mask. This is represented mathematically as follows:

$$g_{mask}(x, y) = f(x, y) - (f(x, y) * h(x, y))$$

where:

$f(x, y)$ = input image

$h(x, y)$ = blurred image

$g_{mask}(x, y)$ = mask

$*$ = convolution operator

- This mask image is scaled by the scaling constant "k" given by the user and added to the input image. This leads to a sharpened image.
- This is given mathematically as:

$$g(x, y) = f(x, y) + k \times (g_{mask}(x, y))$$

where:

$g(x, y)$ = sharpened image

- The scaling constant

$k = 1$ refers to "Unsharp Masking"

$k > 1$ refers to "High boost filtering"

8) Edge Detection: The edges of a picture are areas where there is a sudden change in the pixel intensity. The edge detection process reduces the information, preserving the relevant structural characteristics while removing unnecessary details.

- Edge detection using Sobel Edge detection is widely used in image processing. Edges are detected independently in both the X and the Y directions by the Sobel Edge Detection technique, and the results are combined to represent the sum of edges in both directions.

A Sobel operator-based algorithm for edge detection is presented below.

- Initially, the image is transformed to grayscale.
- With a fixed filter size of 3 and a standard deviation of 1.6, a Gaussian kernel is created.
- Convolution of the grayscale image and the Gaussian kernel is performed next to produce the blurred image.
- Following is the matrix of the Sobel kernel for measuring the image in the x-direction.

$$K_x = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The following matrix describes how the Sobel kernel measures the image in the y-direction.

$$K_y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- After the blurred image is obtained, it is convolved with the x-direction kernel to calculate the x gradient.

- (vii) Similarly, the blurred images are then convolved with a y-direction kernel to provide the y gradient.
- (viii) Combining both x and y gradients yields the resulting gradient image.

$$G = \sqrt{G_x^2 + G_y^2}$$

where:

G_x = x gradient

G_y = y gradient

G = resulting gradient

- (ix) Scaling the normalized gradient image with 255 yields the edge detected image. This is displayed on the "Modified Image" grid.

9) **Undo the Last Operation:** By clicking this button, you are undoing the previous operation and viewing the previous image. As a result, the previous and current images are swapped.

Since all the operations are performed on the V-channel with H,S channel unchanged, following steps are taken for implementing this feature :

- (i) The current V-channel image is combined with its H, S channels to produce the HSV image.
- (ii) This HSV image is converted to RGB and stored in a temporary variable.
- (iii) The previous image is displayed in the "Modified Image" grid.
- (iv) The previous image is then converted from RGB to HSV, and its V-channel becomes the current image..
- (v) The temporary variable is assigned to the previous image variable.

10) **Undo All changes:** This operation reverts the image to its original form by resetting all operations performed on the image.

This feature is implemented as follows:

- (i) The present V-channel image is combined with its corresponding H, S channels to form the HSV image.
- (ii) This HSV image is converted to RGB and stored as the previous image.
- (iii) The original image is then displayed in the "Modified Image" grid.
- (iv) The original loaded image is converted to HSV and its V-channel stored as present image.

11) **Saving the image:** The user can select the location of the image to save by clicking the "Save" button. For this operation, first, the image is converted to HSV and then to RGB, then saved using OpenCV.

IV. SELECTION & RESULTS ON TEST IMAGES

A. Histogram Equalization

Typically, it is more prevalent on images whose histogram distribution is non-uniform, for example, images where the majority of pixels are dark (such as a dark image) or the ones in which are bright (such as a bright image). Thus, the test images were either very dark or very bright, such that histogram equalization in output renders more information



Fig. 4: Comparison of input and histogram equalized images

(visually) than in input.

In this figure we can observe that the input image has some hidden details. Applying histogram equalisation revealed the hidden details.

The histograms of input and equalised images are shown below:

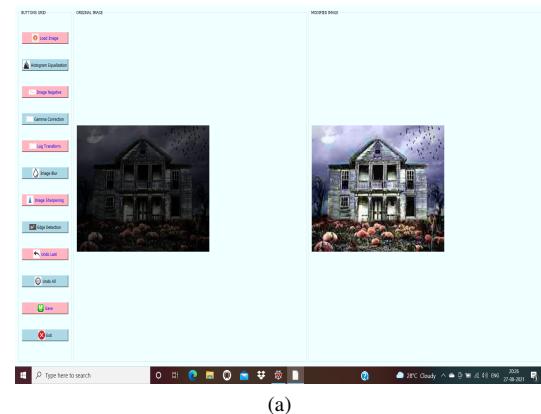


Fig. 5: Screenshot of Application

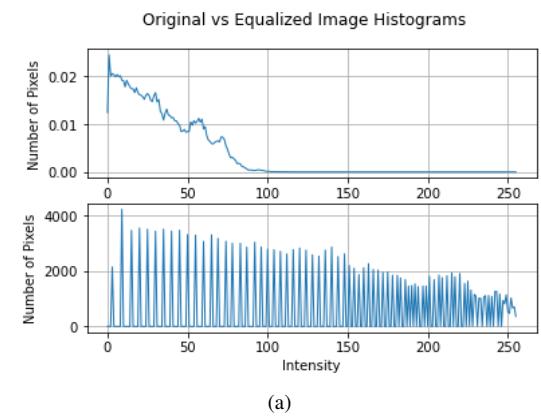


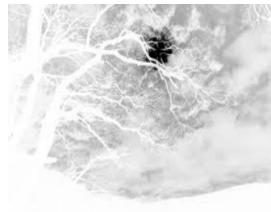
Fig. 6: Comparison of histograms

B. Image Negative

A photographic negative is created by reversing the intensities of the pixels. When used with a gray-scale image, this processing emphasizes the details in darker regions within it. Thus the following image is tested:



(a) Input Image



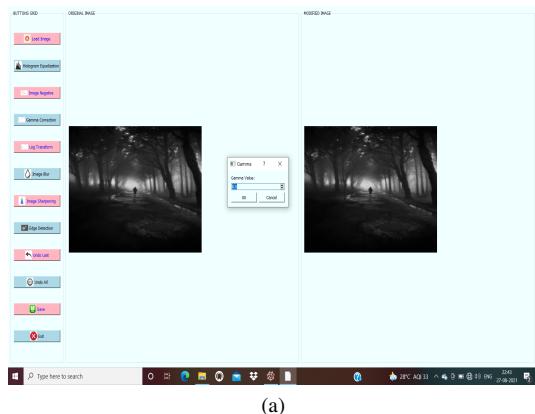
(b) Image Negative

Fig. 7: Image Negative

C. Gamma Transformation

In gamma transform, choosing $\gamma < 1$ results in darker intensity pixels stretched, making the overall image look brighter than the input image, and $\gamma > 1$, on the other hand, causes higher intensities to stretch, making the overall image appear darker.

The screenshot of the application after clicking "Gamma Correction" button and the resulting tested images are as follows:



(a)

Fig. 8: Screenshot of Application Prompting Gamma value



(a) Input Image



(b) Gamma Corrected Image
(gamma = 0.5)

Fig. 9: Results of Gamma Correction

D. Log Transformation

During this process, darker pixels become more intense, making the overall image appear brighter than the input image. Therefore, a dark image with some hidden details is tested and becomes more appealing after transformation.



(a) Input Image

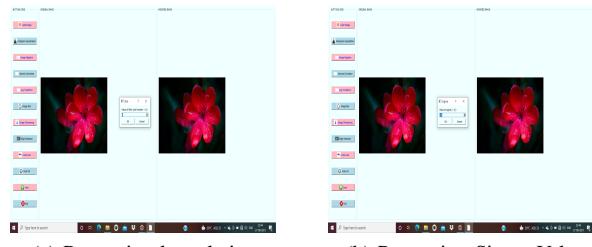


(b) Log Transformed Image

Fig. 10: Results of Log Transformation

E. Image Blurring

Blurring will be most noticeable in sharp images with a lot of texture detail, edge information, and noisy images. Hence, the following pictures portray the degree of blurring.



(a) Prompting kernel size

(b) Prompting Sigma Value

Fig. 11: Screenshots of Application



(a) Input Image



(b) Blurred Image(sigma = 1.5,
filter size = 3)



(c) Blurred Image(sigma = 3,
filter size = 5)



(d) Blurred Image(sigma = 4,
filter size = 7)

Fig. 12: Results of Blurring

F. Image Sharpening

Adding sharpening to images that are out of focus or blurry yields the best results. Therefore, the figures below serve as examples of the sharpening process. Both these images are blurred, resulting in images that are more visually stimulating.



Fig. 13: Screenshots of Application

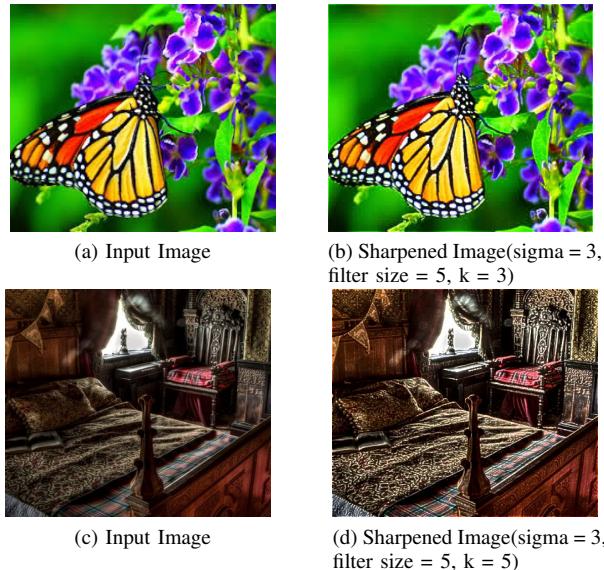


Fig. 14: Results of Sharpening

G. Edge Detection

As compared to other features, this feature provided a more intuitive method of selecting testing images. Images with abrupt intensity transitions are best for demonstrating edge detection.

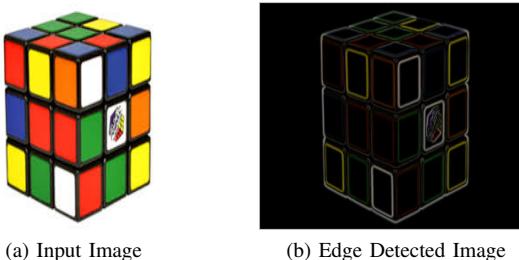


Fig. 15: Results of Edge Detection

V. DISCUSSION AND CHALLENGES FACED

A. CHALLENGES FACED

The major challenges encountered during its implementation were:

- **GUI Programming:** Having no hands-on experience with GUI programming and having a great deal of

difficulty grasping the complicated features available in PyQt5, the time required for implementation decreased.

- **Convolution processing time:** In this case, the processing time for convolution was quite long, which resulted in the application being less responsive. By using the window, instead of looping over the image, the number of "for" loops reduced. With large windows, however, the performance still is slow.
- **Unwanted dark pixels in sharpened images:** The reasons for dark spots appearing on sharpened, especially color images, took a lot of time and effort to understand. Out-of-range pixels were found to be the cause (values < 0 and values > 255). The problem was resolved by setting the pixel intensities < 0 to zero and those > 255 to 255.
- **Displaying images:** Displaying images with QPixmap was the most challenging task. Having no detailed documentation caused many problems with QPixmap. To use the QPixmap, the image had to be converted to QImage using OpenCV.

B. FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS POSSIBLE

If I had more time, I would like to do the following:

- Display the original and equalized histograms inside the main editor window.
- Experiment with the implementation of DFT and FFT algorithms.
- Analyse the effects in the output of frequency domain and spatial domain filtering.
- Control the extent of blurring and sharpening using a slider and observe the variations at a stretch.

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VI. APPENDIX

A. main.py

```
1  """
2  """import all the necessary libraries
3  1) OpenCV for reading,writing of images and color space conversion from RGB to HSV.
4  2) NumPy for array operations and vectorization.
5  3) PyQt5 (version 5) for GUI.
6  4) Matplotlib.pyplot for plotting the histogram of images.
7  """
8 import os
9 import sys, cv2
10 import numpy as np
11 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
12 from PyQt5.QtWidgets import *
13 from PyQt5.QtCore import *
14 from PyQt5.QtGui import *
15 cwd = os.getcwd()
16
17 """
18 Any image is represented in the form of RGB format with each colour having red,green
19 and blue components(red,green,blue).
20 This RGB triplet (red,green,blue) is represented by QRgb.
21 qRgb function creates and return the QRgb triplet values.
22 """
23 gray_color_table = [qRgb(i, i, i) for i in range(256)]
24
25 class Editor(QWidget):
26     def __init__(self):
27         super().__init__()
28         self.title = '213079003-Image-Editor' # declares the editor-window's title
29         self.number_grids = 3
30         self.initialise_User_Interface() # initialises the User Interface
31
32
33     def initialise_User_Interface(self):
34         self.setWindowTitle(self.title)
35         # sets the editor-window's title as defined
36         geometry = app.desktop().availableGeometry()
37         # the window is set to the size of the screen i.e. full-screen mode.
38         self.setGeometry(geometry)
39         self.setStyleSheet("background-color : Azure")
40         windowLayout = QBoxLayout() # sets the geometry of the window
41
42 # The entire layout is divided into three grids.
43 # 1) First grid - provides the list of buttons
44 # 2) Second grid - for displaying the original image
45 # 3) Third grid - for displaying the processed image.
46
47 # The entire layout is taken as an empty list initially and three grids are appended to it.
48         self.layout = []
49         number_layouts = 3
50         for i in range(number_layouts):
51             self.layout.append(QGridLayout())
52
53 # adjusts the grid dimensions
54         self.layout[1].setColumnStretch(1, 2)
55         self.layout[2].setColumnStretch(1, 2)
56
57 # defining the push buttons using QPushButton widget
58         button_1 = QPushButton('Load Image', self)
59         button_2 = QPushButton('Histogram Equalization', self)
60         button_3 = QPushButton('Image Negative', self)
61         button_4 = QPushButton('Gamma Correction', self)
62         button_5 = QPushButton('Log Transform', self)
63         button_6 = QPushButton('Image Blur', self)
64         button_7 = QPushButton('Image Sharpening', self)
65         button_8 = QPushButton('Edge Detection', self)
66         button_9 = QPushButton('Undo Last', self)
67         button_10 = QPushButton('Undo All', self)
68         button_11 = QPushButton('Save', self)
69         button_12 = QPushButton('Exit', self)
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71 # setting colours for the push buttons
72     button_1.setStyleSheet("color : blue; background-color : lightpink;")
73     button_2.setStyleSheet("color : black; background-color : lightblue;")
74     button_3.setStyleSheet("color : blue; background-color : lightpink;")
75     button_4.setStyleSheet("color : black; background-color : lightblue;")
76     button_5.setStyleSheet("color : blue; background-color : lightpink;")
77     button_6.setStyleSheet("color : black; background-color : lightblue;")
78     button_7.setStyleSheet("color : blue; background-color : lightpink;")
79     button_8.setStyleSheet("color : black; background-color : lightblue;")
80     button_9.setStyleSheet("color : blue; background-color : lightpink;")
81     button_10.setStyleSheet("color : black; background-color : lightblue;")
82     button_11.setStyleSheet("color : blue; background-color : lightpink;")
83     button_12.setStyleSheet("color : black; background-color : lightblue;")
84
85 # setting icons for the push buttons
86     button_1.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\\load.PNG'))
87     button_2.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\\histogram.PNG'))
88     button_3.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\\negative.PNG'))
89     button_4.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\\gamma.PNG'))
90     button_5.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\\log.PNG'))
91     button_6.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\\blurring.PNG'))
92     button_7.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\\sharpening.JPG'))
93     button_8.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\edge.PNG'))
94     button_9.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\Undo.PNG'))
95     button_10.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\reset1.JPG'))
96     button_11.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\save.JPG'))
97     button_12.setIcon(QIcon(cwd+'\exit.PNG'))
98
99 # setting dimensions for the push buttons
100    button_1.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
101    button_2.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
102    button_3.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
103    button_4.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
104    button_5.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
105    button_6.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
106    button_7.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
107    button_8.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
108    button_9.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
109    button_10.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
110    button_11.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
111    button_12.setIconSize(QSize(25,25))
112
113 # each pushbutton upon clicking performs its respective function.
114     button_1.clicked.connect(self.load_Image)
115     button_2.clicked.connect(self.histogram_Equalization)
116     button_3.clicked.connect(self.image_Negative)
117     button_4.clicked.connect(self.gamma_Correction)
118     button_5.clicked.connect(self.log_Transformation)
119     button_6.clicked.connect(self.image_Blurring)
120     button_7.clicked.connect(self.image_Sharpening)
121     button_8.clicked.connect(self.edge_Detection)
122     button_9.clicked.connect(self.undo_Last)
123     button_10.clicked.connect(self.undo_All)
124     button_11.clicked.connect(self.save)
125     button_12.clicked.connect(self.exit)
126
127 #adding each button in the first grid of the layout.
128 #This is performed using the fuction addWidget(button,row,column)
129 #since all the buttons are added in the first grid, the column= 0
130     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_1,0,0),
131     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_2,1,0)
132     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_3,2,0)
133     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_4,3,0)
134     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_5,4,0)
135     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_6,5,0)
136     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_7,6,0)
137     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_8,7,0)
138     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_9,8,0)
139     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_10,9,0)
140     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_11,10,0)
141     self.layout[0].addWidget(button_12,11,0)
142
143 #defining the names for each grid.
144 # 1)First layout is named as Buttons Grid.

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145 # 2) Second layout is named as Original Image.
146 # 3) Third layout is named as Modified Image.
147
148 # The labels is taken as an empty list initially and three labels names are appended to it.
149     grid_labels = ["BUTTONS GRID", "ORIGINAL IMAGE", "MODIFIED IMAGE"]
150     self.labels=[]
151     for i in range(self.number_grids):
152         self.labels.append(QGroupBox(grid_labels[i]))
153         self.labels[i].setLayout(self.layout[i])
154
155 #adding the defined labels to the grids.
156     for i in range(self.number_grids):
157         windowLayout.addWidget(self.labels[i])
158
159     self.setLayout(windowLayout) # sets the layout of editor-window to be a windowLayout
160     self.show() # displays the editor-window on screen
161
162 # initialize the pyqt QLabel widget for always displaying the original Image
163     self.label = QLabel(self)
164
165 # the pyqt QLabel widget for always displaying the modified Image.
166 # Initialized to original image at the beginning.
167 # So both the Original and Modified image grids display the original image initially.
168     self.label_result = QLabel(self)
169
170 # both the declared label widgets are added to 2nd & 3rd grids respectively.
171     self.layout[1].addWidget(self.label)
172     self.layout[2].addWidget(self.label_result)
173
174 # function to display the modified (output) image.
175
176 def displayOutput(self, output):
177
178     # combine V-channel of input image(self.inputImage) with the H,S channels.
179     self.hsvImage[:, :, 2] = self.inputImage
180     # storing the input image(in RGB format) as previous image
181     self.previousImage = cv2.cvtColor(self.hsvImage, cv2.COLOR_HSV2RGB)
182     # combine V-channel of output image (output) with the H,S channels.
183     self.hsvImage[:, :, 2] = output
184     # update the image display with the modified RGB image
185     qImage = self.CV_to_QImage(cv2.cvtColor(self.hsvImage, cv2.COLOR_HSV2RGB))
186     # display the output image
187     self.label_result.setPixmap(QPixmap(qImage))
188     # set the output as input image.
189     self.inputImage = output
190
191 # function for selecting the image.
192 def openFile(self):
193     fileLoadOptions = QFileDialog.Options()
194     fileLoadOptions |= QFileDialog.DontUseNativeDialog
195     fileName, _ = QFileDialog.getOpenFileName(self, "Load Image File")
196 # if the user selects a file with extensions .jpg, .png, .jpeg, .bmp , .JPG, .PNG', .JPEG, .BMP , then it
197 # is an allowed file.
198 # if user selects an allowed file
199     if fileName.split('.')[1].lower() in ['jpg', 'png', 'jpeg', 'bmp']:
200         # reads the selected file(i.e.image) and resizes to (image_width, image_height)=(480, 360)
201         self.originalImage = cv2.resize(cv2.imread(fileName, 1), (480, 360))
202
203         # OpenCV reads an image in BGR format..and thus convert into RGB for further processing
204         self.originalImage = cv2.cvtColor(self.originalImage, cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)
205
206         # previous image variable for "Undo" Operation and currently set to the original image.
207         self.previousImage = self.originalImage
208
209         # convert image format from RGB to HSV for operations on V channel
210         self.hsvImage = cv2.cvtColor(self.originalImage, cv2.COLOR_RGB2HSV)
211
212         # inputimage = V channel of original HSV image
213         self.inputImage = self.hsvImage[:, :, 2].astype(np.uint8)
214
215         # convert OpenCV image into PyQt QImage for displaying in Pixmap
216         qImage = self.CV_to_QImage(self.originalImage)
217
218         # set pixmap with the original loaded image in both original and modified grids

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218         self.label.setPixmap(QPixmap(qImage))
219         self.label_result.setPixmap(QPixmap(qImage))
220
221 # self.originalImage is the original selected image in RGB format
222 # self.previousImage is the variable used to store the previous image in RGB format
223 # self.hsvImage is variable used to store the image in HSV format
224 # self.inputImage is the selected image having V-channel
225
226 # case when user selects a file with other extensions and raises an error asking for proper file
227     elif (fileName):
228         buttonReply = QMessageBox.question(self, 'Warning Message', "Wrong File Selection", QMessageBox
229 .Ok, QMessageBox.Ok)
230
231 # converts an OpenCV image into a QImage.
232 def CV_to_QImage(self, img, copy=False):
233     #input image must be in OpenCV image format (np.uint8)
234
235     # if input image format is OpenCV image format np.uint8
236     if img.dtype == np.uint8:
237         # grayscale images or the images having two dimensions [height, width]
238         if len(img.shape) == 2:
239             qim = QImage(img.data, img.shape[1], img.shape[0], img.strides[0], QImage.Format_Indexed8)
240             qim.setColorTable(gray_color_table)
241             return qim.copy() if copy else qim
242         # images having three dimensions [height, width, number of Channels]
243         elif len(img.shape) == 3:
244             # if the image has three channels
245             if img.shape[2] == 3:
246                 qim = QImage(img.data, img.shape[1], img.shape[0], img.strides[0], QImage.Format_RGB888
247 )
248             return qim.copy() if copy else qim
249             # if the image has four channels
250             elif img.shape[2] == 4:
251                 qim = QImage(img.data, img.shape[1], img.shape[0], img.strides[0], QImage.Format_ARGB32
252 )
253             return qim.copy() if copy else qim
254
255
256 def correlation(self, image, window):
257     output = np.zeros(image.shape,dtype=np.uint8)
258     # find no of rows and columns in the ndarray of image passed
259     img_height = image.shape[0]
260     img_width = image.shape[1]
261
262     # compute window size from window passed
263     window_size = window.shape[0]
264     # compute zero padding requirements and offset to be used during convolution
265     zero_padding = window_size - 1
266     offset = int(zero_padding / 2)
267
268     # create the zero padded image
269     paddedImage = np.zeros((img_height + zero_padding, img_width+ zero_padding),dtype=np.uint8)
270     paddedImage[offset: img_height + offset, offset:img_width +offset] = image
271
272     # loop through the window elements
273     # computes correlation as shifted sum of image elements by keeping window stationary
274
275     for i in range(img_height):
276         for j in range(img_width):
277             product = paddedImage[i:i + window_size, j:j + window_size]*window
278             output[i,j] = np.round(np.sum(product))
279
280     # return the computed image
281     return output
282
283 def convolution(self, image, window):
284     # to perform convolution, flip the window and compute correlation
285     window = np.flipud(np.fliplr(window))
286     output = self.correlation(image, window)
287     # return the computed image
288     return output

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289 # opens a dialog box for the user to select an Image
290     @pyqtSlot()
291     def load_Image(self):
292         self.openFile()
293
294 # function performing histogram equalization
295     @pyqtSlot()
296     def histogram_Equalization(self):
297         # Histogram Equalization Function has the following algorithm:
298         # 1. Finds the histogram of input image.
299         # 2. Computes the probability distribution of each intensity.
300         # 3. Computes the cumulative distribution of input image.
301         # 4. Assign the new intensity values to pixels by scaling the cdf by 255.
302         # 5. Computes the equalised histogram.
303         # 6. Plots the input image histogram and equalized image histogram.
304
305 # considering a 8-bit image, the total number of discrete intensity levels are 256
306     L = 256
307     img_height, img_width = self.inputImage.shape # variables storing the image dimensions
308     outputImage = np.zeros(self.inputImage.shape)
309     # numpy array of zeros for output "Histogram equalized" image
310     original_img_hist = np.zeros((L, 1))      # variable to store the input image histogram
311     equalized_img_hist = np.zeros((L, 1))      # variable to store the equalized histogram
312
313     # Compute the histogram of input image
314     for i in range(L):
315         original_img_hist[i, 0] = np.sum(self.inputImage == i) # counting the number of pixels of each
316         intensity.
317
318     # Compute the probability distribution by dividing each intensity count by the total number of
319     # pixels
320     original_img_hist = original_img_hist/ (img_height*img_width)
321
322     # Initialize the cdf of input image as zero
323     cdf = np.zeros(original_img_hist.shape)
324     sum_Hist = 0 # variable to store the sum of previous probabilities.
325     for i in range(L):
326         sum_Hist+= original_img_hist[i,0]
327         cdf[i,0] = sum_Hist # updates the cdf with the sum of probabilities
328
329     ''' compute the transform values for each intensity from [0-255] and assign it
330     to the pixels locations where that intensity is present in input image
331     and the output image is found.''''
332
333     for i in range(L):
334         outputImage[np.where(self.inputImage == i)] = np.round(((L-1))*cdf[i])
335
336     # compute the equalized histogram of output image
337     for i in range(L):
338         equalized_img_hist[i, 0] = np.sum(outputImage == i)
339
340     outputImage = outputImage.astype(np.uint8) # change output image type for display purposes
341
342     # plotting the input and ouput histograms
343
344     plt.subplot(2,1,1)
345     plt.plot(original_img_hist, linewidth=1)
346     plt.xlabel('Intensity')
347     plt.ylabel('Number of Pixels')
348     plt.grid(True)
349     plt.subplot(2,1,2)
350     plt.plot(equalized_img_hist, linewidth=1)
351     plt.xlabel('Intensity')
352     plt.ylabel('Number of Pixels')
353     plt.grid(True)
354     plt.suptitle('Original vs Equalized Image Histograms')
355     plt.show()
356
357     self.displayOutput(outputImage) # display the output image
358
359 # function performing image negative
360     @pyqtSlot()
361     def image_Negative(self):
362         # convert image from intensity range [0-255] to [0-1]

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361     normalised_Image = cv2.normalize(self.inputImage.astype('float'), None, 0.0, 1.0, cv2.NORM_MINMAX)
362     outputImage = 1 - normalised_Image      # finding output intensities
363     max_intensity = np.max(outputImage)      # finding the maximum intensity value of output image
364     outputImage = (outputImage/max_intensity)*255.0 # bring the output image to [0-255] range
365     outputImage = outputImage.astype(np.uint8)    # change output image type for display purposes
366
367     self.displayOutput(outputImage)      # display the output image
368
369 # function performing gamma correction
370 @pyqtSlot()
371 def gamma_Correction(self):
372
373     # opens a dialog asking for gamma value and stores the gamma value in a variable "gamma"
374     gamma, ok_is_Pressed = QInputDialog.getDouble(self, "Gamma", "Gamma Value:")
375     if ok_is_Pressed:          # compute only if the user presses "OK"
376         # convert image from intensity range [0-255] to [0-1]
377         normalised_Image = cv2.normalize(self.inputImage.astype('float'), None, 0.0, 1.0, cv2.
378                                         NORM_MINMAX)
378         outputImage = np.power(normalised_Image, gamma)      # finding output intensities
379         max_intensity = np.max(outputImage)      # finding the maximum intensity value of output image
380         outputImage = (outputImage/max_intensity)*255.0      # bring the output image to [0-255] range
381         outputImage = outputImage.astype(np.uint8)    # change output image type for display purposes
382
383     self.displayOutput(outputImage)      # display the output image
384
385 # function performing log transformation
386 @pyqtSlot()
387 def log_Transformation(self):
388     # convert image from intensity range [0-255] to [0-1]
389     normalised_Image = cv2.normalize(self.inputImage.astype('float'), None, 0.0, 1.0, cv2.NORM_MINMAX)
390     outputImage = np.log(1+normalised_Image)      # finding output intensities
391     max_intensity = np.max(outputImage)      # finding the maximum intensity value of output image
392     outputImage = (outputImage/max_intensity)*255.0      # bring the output image to [0-255] range
393     outputImage = outputImage.astype(np.uint8)    # change output image type for display purposes
394
395     self.displayOutput(outputImage)      # display the output image
396
397 # function performing blurring operation
398 @pyqtSlot()
399 def image_Blurring(self):
400     """
401         Blur Image using Gaussian Kernel with kernel size and gaussian variance
402         chosen by initUserInterface
403     """
404
405     #opens a dialog prompting user for filter size
406     filter_size, ok_1_pressed = QInputDialog.getInt(self, "Size", "Value of filter (odd number > 0):")
407     #if user gives odd size of filter
408     if (ok_1_pressed and filter_size%2!=0):
409         # opens a dialog prompting user for sigma
410         sigma, ok_2_pressed = QInputDialog.getDouble(self, "Sigma", "Value of sigma (> 0):")
411         if (ok_2_pressed):
412             # creates a gaussian kernel of given window size and sigma
413             kernel = GaussianKernel(filter_size, sigma)
414             # perfomes convolution of image and kernel to form the blurred image
415             blurredImage = self.convolution(self.inputImage, kernel)
416             blurredImage = blurredImage/(kernel.sum())
417             blurredImage = blurredImage.astype(np.uint8) # change output image type for display purposes
418
419             self.displayOutput(blurredImage)      # display the output image
420
421         #if user gives even size of filter
422         elif (ok_1_pressed and filter_size%2==0):
423             # displays a warning asking for odd value
424             buttonReply = QMessageBox.question(self, 'Warning Message', "Kernel Size has to be an odd
425             number", QMessageBox.Ok, QMessageBox.Ok)
426             # again opens the dialog for filter size and produces the blurred image
427             filter_size, ok_1_pressed = QInputDialog.getInt(self, "Size", "Value of filter (odd number > 0):
428             ")
428             if (ok_1_pressed and filter_size%2!=0):
429                 sigma, ok_2_pressed = QInputDialog.getDouble(self, "Sigma", "Value of sigma (> 0):")
430                 if (ok_2_pressed):
431
431                     kernel = GaussianKernel(filter_size, sigma)

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432     blurredImage = self.convolution(self.inputImage, kernel)
433     blurredImage = blurredImage/(kernel.sum())
434     blurredImage = blurredImage.astype(np.uint8)
435     self.displayOutput(blurredImage)
436
437 # function performing sharpening operation
438 @pyqtSlot()
439 def image_Sharpening(self):
440     """
441         Sharpen Image using "Unsharp Masking" by using a Gaussian Kernel with kernel size and gaussian
442         variance
443         and a scaling constant k chosen by initUserInterface
444     """
445     #opens a dialog prompting user for filter size
446     filter_size, ok_1_pressed = QInputDialog.getInt(self, "Size", "Value of filter (odd number > 0):")
447     #if user gives odd size of filter
448     if (ok_1_pressed and filter_size%2!=0):
449         # opens dialog boxes prompting user for sigma and k
450         sigma, ok_2_pressed = QInputDialog.getDouble(self, "Sigma", "Value of sigma (> 0):")
451         k, ok_3_pressed = QInputDialog.getDouble(self, "k value", "Scaling Constant Value (default = 5)
452         :")
453         if (ok_2_pressed and ok_3_pressed):
454             # creates a gaussian kernel of given window size and sigma
455             kernel = GaussianKernel(filter_size, sigma)
456             # perfomes convolution of image and kernel to form the blurred image
457             blurredImage = self.convolution(self.inputImage, kernel)
458             blurredImage = blurredImage/(kernel.sum())
459             # converting both blurred and input images into same format
460             blurredImage = blurredImage.astype(np.uint8)
461             inputImg = self.inputImage.astype(np.uint8)
462
463             # scaled version of mask computed by subtracting the blurred image from original image and scaling by k
464             maskImage = k*cv2.subtract(inputImg, blurredImage)
465             maskImage = maskImage.astype(np.uint8)
466             # sharp image computed by adding scaled mask with original image
467             sharpenedImage = cv2.add(self.inputImage, maskImage)
468             for i in range(256):
469                 sharpenedImage[np.where(i <0)] = 0
470                 sharpenedImage[np.where(i >255)] = 255
471             sharpenedImage = sharpenedImage.astype(np.uint8) # change output image type for display
472             purposes
473
474             self.displayOutput(sharpenedImage) # display the output image
475             #if user gives even size of filter
476             elif (ok_1_pressed and filter_size%2==0):
477                 # displays a warning asking for odd value
478                 buttonReply = QMessageBox.question(self, 'Warning Message', "Kernel Size has to be an odd
479                 number", QMessageBox.Ok, QMessageBox.Ok)
480                 # again opens the dialog for filter size and produces the sharpened image
481                 filter_size, ok_1_pressed = QInputDialog.getInt(self, "Size", "Value of filter (odd number > 0)
482                 :")
483
484                 if (ok_1_pressed and filter_size%2!=0):
485
486                     sigma, ok_2_pressed = QInputDialog.getDouble(self, "Sigma", "Value of sigma (> 0):")
487                     k, ok_3_pressed = QInputDialog.getDouble(self, "k value", "Scaling Constant Value (default
488                     = 5):")
489                     if (ok_2_pressed and ok_3_pressed):
490                         kernel = GaussianKernel(filter_size, sigma)
491                         blurredImage = self.convolution(self.inputImage, kernel)
492                         blurredImage = blurredImage/(kernel.sum())
493                         blurredImage = blurredImage.astype(np.uint8)
494                         inputImg = self.inputImage.astype(np.uint8)
495                         maskImage = k*cv2.subtract(self.inputImage, blurredImage)
496                         maskImage = maskImage.astype(np.uint8)
497                         sharpenedImage = cv2.add(self.inputImage, maskImage)
498                         for i in range(256):
499                             sharpenedImage[np.where(i <0)] = 0
500                             sharpenedImage[np.where(i >255)] = 255
501                         sharpenedImage = sharpenedImage.astype(np.uint8)
502
503                         self.displayOutput(sharpenedImage)
504
505 # function performing edge detection
506 @pyqtSlot()

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500     def edge_Detection(self):
501         """
502             Edge detection is performed using Fixed 3x3 Gaussian kernel with a
503             standard deviation of 1.6 and using a 3x3 Sobel Operator
504
505         """
506
507
508         sigma = 1.6      # standard deviation for gaussian blurring
509         filter_size = 3   # kernel size for gaussian blurring
510
511         # combine V-channel (self.image) with H,S channel
512         self.hsvImage[:, :, 2] = self.inputImage
513         # convert into rgb
514         img = cv2.cvtColor(self.hsvImage, cv2.COLOR_HSV2RGB)
515         # convert into gray-scale
516         img = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_RGB2GRAY)
517         img = img.astype(np.int32)
518         # storing the dimensions of input image
519         img_height, img_width = img.shape
520         # creates a gaussian kernel of given window size and sigma
521         kernel = GaussianKernel(filter_size, sigma)
522         # perform convolution of image and kernel to form the blurred image
523         zero_padding = filter_size - 1
524         offset = int(zero_padding / 2)
525         # zero padded image for convolution with gaussian kernel
526         paddedImage = np.zeros((img_height + zero_padding, img_width + zero_padding), dtype=np.uint32)
527         paddedImage[offset: img_height + offset, offset:img_width + offset] = img
528         blurredImage = np.zeros(self.inputImage.shape, dtype=np.uint32)
529
530         # loop through the window elements
531         # computes correlation as shifted sum of image elements by keeping window stationary
532         for i in range(img_height):
533             for j in range(img_width):
534                 product = paddedImage[i:i + filter_size, j:j + filter_size]*kernel
535                 blurredImage[i, j] = np.round(np.sum(product))
536
537         # kernel for finding gradient in X & Y direction
538         kernel_Gradient_X = np.array([[[-1, 0, 1], [-2, 0, 2], [-1, 0, 1]], np.int32])      # vertical edges
539         kernel_Gradient_Y = np.array([[1, 2, 1], [0, 0, 0], [-1, -2, -1]], np.int32)      # horizontal edges
540
541         paddedImage[offset: img_height + offset, offset:img_width + offset] = blurredImage
542         gradientX = np.zeros(img.shape, dtype=np.int32)
543         gradientY = np.zeros(img.shape, dtype=np.int32)
544
545         # convolution for finding gradients
546         for i in range(img_height):
547             for j in range(img_width):
548                 horizontal_gradient = paddedImage[i:i + filter_size, j:j + filter_size]*(-1*kernel_Gradient_X)
549
550                 vertical_gradient = paddedImage[i:i + filter_size, j:j + filter_size]*(-1*kernel_Gradient_Y)
551                 gradientX[i, j] = np.round(np.sum(horizontal_gradient))
552                 gradientY[i, j] = np.round(np.sum(vertical_gradient))
553
554                 sobel_operated_img = np.sqrt((np.power(gradientX, 2))+ (np.power(gradientY, 2)))
555                 for i in range(256):
556                     sobel_operated_img[np.where(i <0)] = 0
557                     sobel_operated_img[np.where(i >255)] = 255
558                 edgeDetectedImage = 255 * cv2.normalize(sobel_operated_img.astype('float'), None, 0.0, 1.0, cv2.NORM_MINMAX)
559
560                 self.displayOutput(edgeDetectedImage)
561
562     # function performing undo operation
563     @pyqtSlot()
564     def undo_Last(self):
565         # combine V-channel (self.image) with H,S channel
566         self.hsvImage[:, :, 2] = self.inputImage
567
568         # storing the image in a temporary variable
569         temp = cv2.cvtColor(self.hsvImage, cv2.COLOR_HSV2RGB)
570
571         #display the previous image
572         qImage = self.CV_to_QImage(self.previousImage)

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572     self.label_result.setPixmap(QPixmap(qImage))
573
574     # assign the V-channel of previous image to present image after converting it to HSV
575     self.inputImage = cv2.cvtColor(self.previousImage, cv2.COLOR_RGB2HSV)[:, :, 2]
576
577     # assign present image to previous image variable
578     self.previousImage = temp
579
580 # function performing reset operation
581     @pyqtSlot()
582     def undo_All(self):
583         # display original image
584         qImage = self.CV_to_QImage(self.originalImage)
585         self.label_result.setPixmap(QPixmap(qImage))
586         # combine V-channel (self.image) with H,S channel
587         self.hsvImage[:, :, 2] = self.inputImage
588         # store the present image as previous image
589         self.previousImage = cv2.cvtColor(self.hsvImage, cv2.COLOR_HSV2RGB)
590         # assign the V-channel of original image to present image after converting it to HSV
591         self.inputImage = cv2.cvtColor(self.originalImage, cv2.COLOR_RGB2HSV)[:, :, 2]
592
593 # function for saving the image
594     @pyqtSlot()
595     def save(self):
596         fileSaveOptions = QFileDialog.Options()
597         fileSaveOptions |= QFileDialog.DontUseNativeDialog
598         # open a dialog box for choosing destination location for saving image
599         fileName, _ = QFileDialog.getSaveFileName(self, "Save Image File")
600         # combine V-channel with H,S channel
601         self.hsvImage[:, :, 2] = self.inputImage
602         # convert HSV to BGR since OpenCV default color format is BGR
603         # save image at location specified by fileName
604         cv2.imwrite(fileName, cv2.cvtColor(self.hsvImage, cv2.COLOR_HSV2BGR))
605
606 # function for closing the application
607     @pyqtSlot()
608     def exit(self):
609         self.close()      # in-built function of QWidget class
610
611
612 #function for creating gaussian kernel
613 def GaussianKernel(winSize, sigma):
614     """
615         generates a gaussian kernel taking window size = winSize
616         and standard deviation = sigma as input/control parameters.
617         Returns the gaussian kernel
618     """
619     kernel = np.zeros((winSize, winSize))      # generate a zero numpy kernel
620     # finding each window coefficient
621     for i in range(winSize):
622         for j in range(winSize):
623             temp = pow(i-winSize//2, 2)+pow(j-winSize//2, 2)
624             kernel[i, j] = np.exp(-1*temp/(2*pow(sigma, 2)))
625     kernel = kernel/(2*np.pi*pow(sigma, 2))
626     norm_factor = np.sum(kernel)              # finding the sum of the kernel generated
627     kernel = kernel/norm_factor               # dividing by total sum to make the kernel matrix unit-sum
628     return kernel
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630 if __name__ == '__main__':
631     app = QApplication(sys.argv)      # defines pyqt application object
632     ex = Editor()
633     sys.exit(app.exec_())

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