



Variants of FCM for brain MRI segmentation

CS 736 Project

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Variants of FCM

In this project, we have implemented Fuzzy-C-Means and its 4 variants in reference to the research paper “*Fuzzy C-mean based brain MRI segmentation algorithms*” by M. A. Balafar.

Data used is the same as in Assignment 2 - *assignmentSegmentBrain.mat*

Variants implemented

1. FCM_S
2. FCM_S1
3. FCM_EN
4. FGFCM
5. FRFCM

Algorithms



FCM

Given

- Data = $\{ y_j \}$, $j = 1, \dots, N$
- Number of clusters = K (known / fixed)

Memberships

- u_{jk} = membership (non-negative) of j -th point in k -th cluster
- For each datum, over all classes k , memberships u_{jk} sum to 1

Objective function to be minimized

- Penalize distance of datum j from mean of class k
- Weight penalty based on membership u_{jk}

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K u_{jk}^q (y_j - c_k)^2$$

$q > 1$: free parameter controlling fuzziness of clusters/memberships

Constraints

$$\forall j, \sum_k u_{jk} = 1$$

- Positivity constraint on memberships gets satisfied automatically



FCM_S

- Modification to the standard FCM by incorporating neighborhood information in the objective function

$$J_q = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m u_{ij}^q d(x_i, \theta_j) + \frac{\alpha}{N_R} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m u_{ij}^q \sum_{r \in N_i} d(x_r, \theta_j) \quad \|x_r - v_i\|^2$$

where d is distance between data x_i and centre of the cluster j , θ_j and u is the fuzzy membership of data x_i to cluster with centre θ_j . q specifies the degree of fuzziness in the clustering and α is the weight of neighborhood information. N_R is the number of neighbors in a window around x_i , N_i is the set of neighbors and x_r represents the neighbor of x_i

- Optimization done following the same method as described in class using method of Lagrange multipliers and performing alternate minimization.
- Shortcoming of FCM_S is that the neighbor term is computed in iteration which is time consuming



FCM_S1

- Proposed by Chen and Zhang
- Modification to the FCM_S algorithm's objective function to overcome FCM-S shortcoming

$$J_q = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m u_{ij}^q d(x_i, \theta_j) + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m u_{ij}^q d(\bar{x}_i, \theta_j) \quad \|\bar{x}_k - v_i\|^2$$

where \bar{x}_i is the average of neighbors of pixel x_i

- Optimization done following the same method as described in class using method of Lagrange multipliers and performing alternate minimization



FCM_EN

- Proposed by Szilágyi
- Modification to input data in order to speed up clustering process
- Linearly-weighted sum image of the original image and its average image used as the input image for clustering

$$S_i = \frac{1}{1 + \beta} (X_i + \beta \bar{X}_i)$$

$$J_m = \sum_{i=1}^c \sum_{k=1}^N u_{ik}^m \|x_k - v_i\|^2$$

where β is the weight of neighborhood information

- Optimization done following the same method as described in class using method of Lagrange multipliers and performing alternate minimization

FGFCM

- Proposed by Cai et al.
- Improvement to FCM_EN in order to overcome shortcomings in adapting the common crucial parameter β .
- Input image used for clustering is generated as

$$\xi_i = \frac{\sum_{j \in N_i} S_{ij} x_j}{\sum_{j \in N_i} S_{ij}} \quad S_{ir} = \begin{cases} S_{s_ir} * S_{g_ij}, & i \neq r \\ 0, & i = r \end{cases}$$
$$S_{s_ir} = \exp\left(\frac{-\max(|x_i - x_r|, |y_i - y_r|)}{\beta_s}\right) \quad S_{g_ir} = \exp\left(\frac{-\|I_i - I_r\|^2}{\beta_g * \sigma_i^2}\right) \quad \sigma_i = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{r \in N_i} \|I_i - I_r\|^2}{|N_i|}}$$

where r th pixel is a neighbor of pixel x_i ; (x_r, y_r) is r th neighbor pixel, β_s is the weight of spatial information; I_i is grey value of the pixel x_i and I_r is that of r th neighbor

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FRFCM based on morphological reconstruction

- Objective function is

$$J_m = \sum_{l=1}^q \sum_{k=1}^c \gamma_l u_{kl}^m \|\xi_l - v_k\|^2$$

- This is performed on gray level histogram to save computational time, hence gamma_l.
- u_kl is fuzzy membership of gray value l

$$\xi = R^C(f)$$

- Difference between this and others is that image is reconstructed by morphological reconstruction



FRFCM based on morphological reconstruction

- MR is able to preserve object contour and remove noise without knowing the noise type in advance.

$$R_f^\delta(g) = \delta_f^{(i)}(g),$$

$$R_f^\varepsilon(g) = \varepsilon_f^{(i)}(g),$$

$$\delta_f^{(1)}(g) = \delta(g) \wedge f$$

$$\delta_g^{(i)}(f) = \delta(\delta^{(i-1)}(g)) \wedge f \qquad \varepsilon_f^{(1)}(g) = \varepsilon(g) \vee f, \quad \varepsilon_g^{(i)}(f) = \varepsilon(\varepsilon^{(i-1)}(g)) \vee f$$

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$$R^C(f) = R_{R_f^\delta(\varepsilon(f))}^\varepsilon(\delta(R_f^\delta(\varepsilon(f))))$$



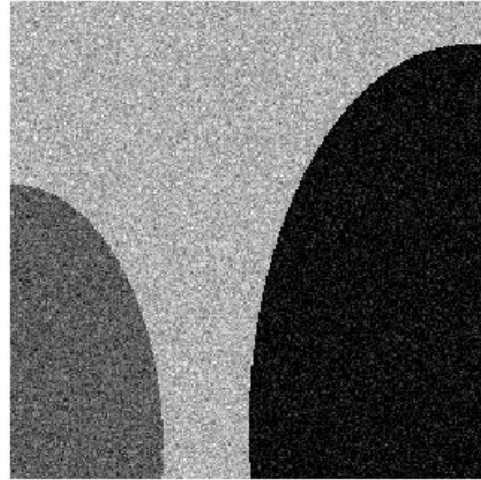
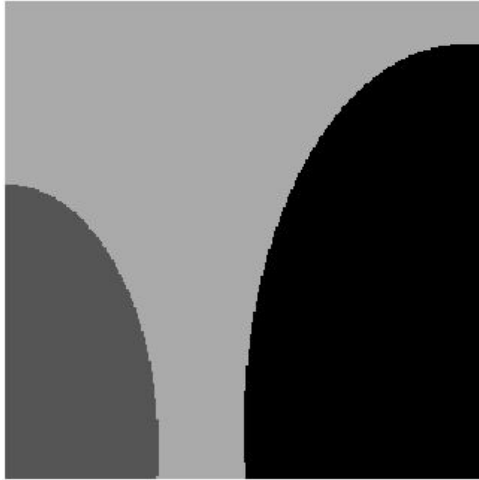
FRFCM based on morphological reconstruction

- f is original image, g is marker image, δ is dilation operation and ϵ is erosion operation.
- After optimizing, we get graylevel memberships and means. Using means and image data we can get original memberships.
- A median filter is used in membership matrix to computational time.

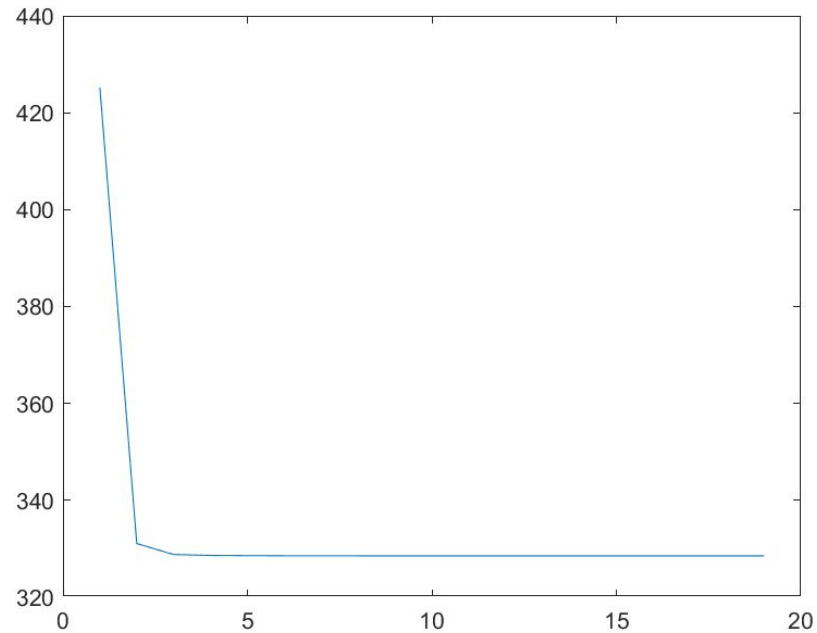
Results | Test Image 1



Original Image and Noisy Image



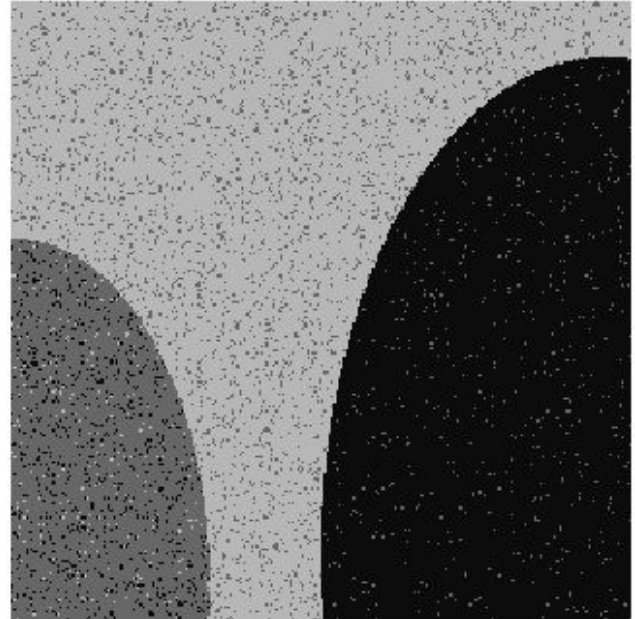
FCM | Objective Function vs Iterations



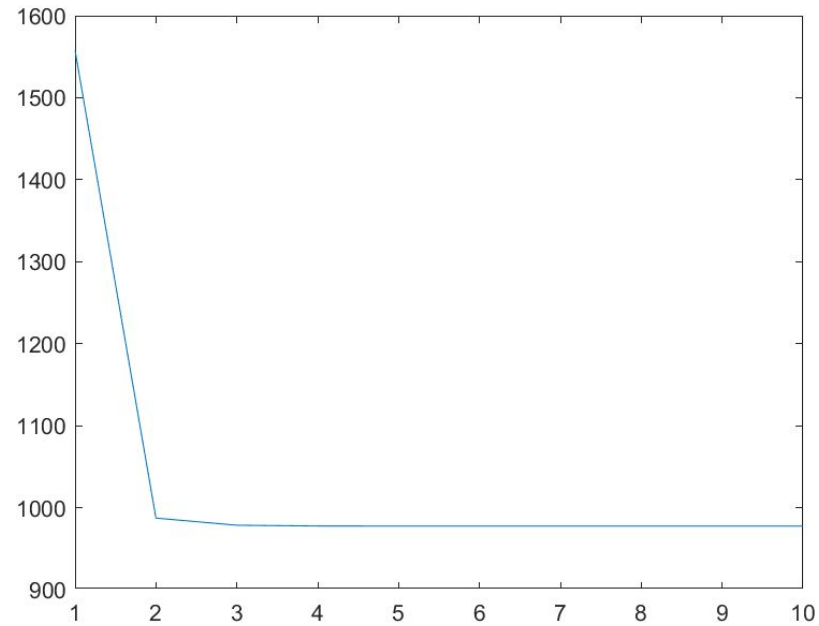


FCM | Segmentation

- $MSE = 579.4981$



FCM_S | Objective Function vs Iterations

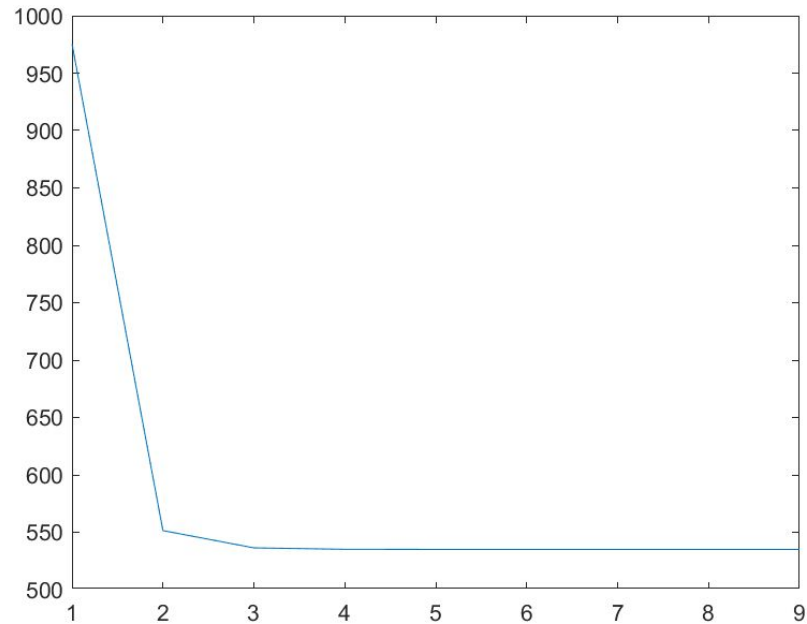


FCM_S | Segmentation

- MSE = 159.6948



FCM_S1 | Objective Function vs Iterations

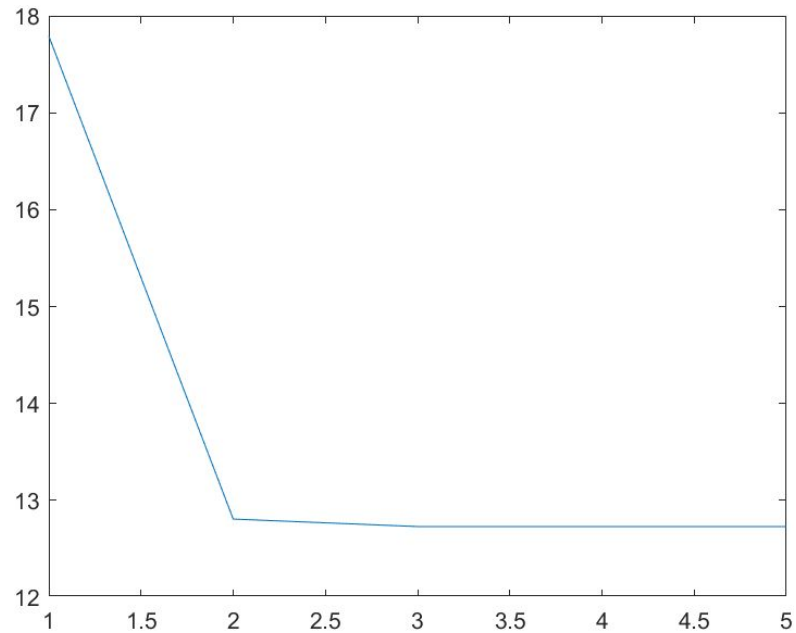


FCM_S1 | Segmentation

- MSE = 151.2929



FCM_EN | Objective Function vs Iterations



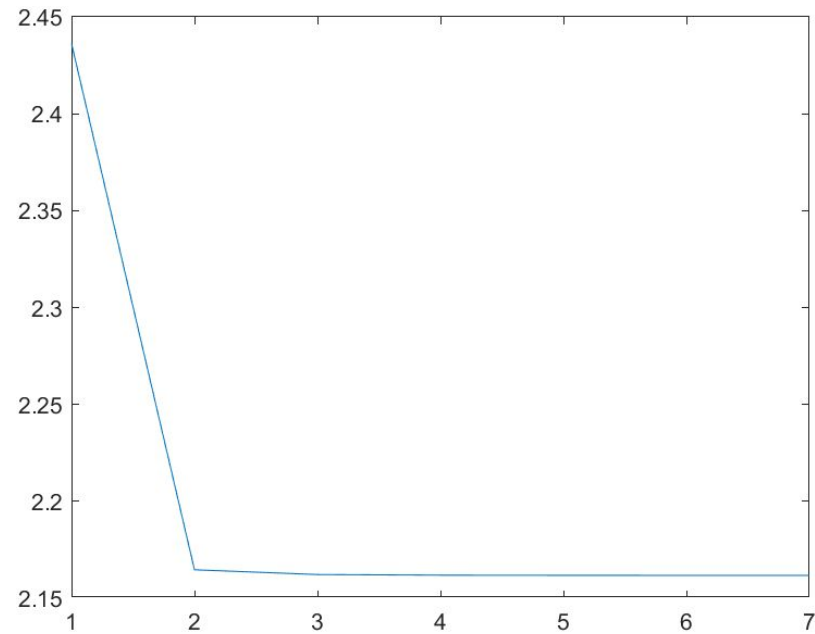


FCM_EN | Segmentation

- MSE = 0.5691



FGFCM | Objective Function vs Iterations





FGFCM | Segmentation

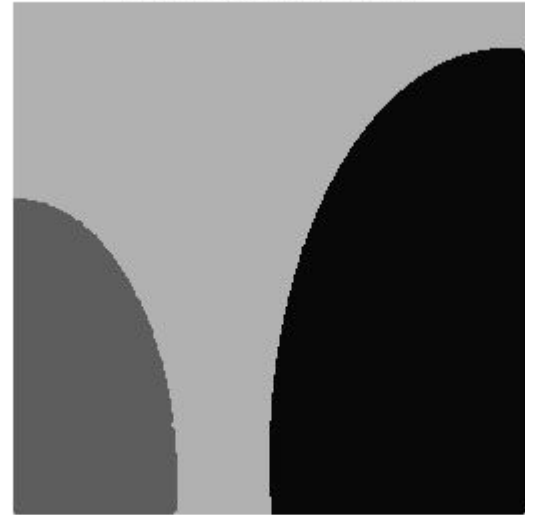
- MSE = 3.3623





FRFCM | Segmentation

- MSE = 11

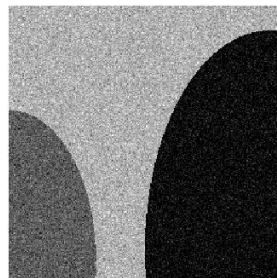




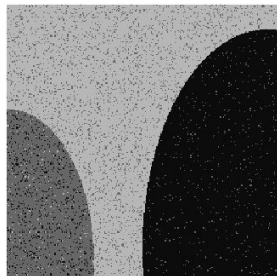
Segmentation



Original



Noisy



FCM



FCM_S



FCM_S1



FCM_EN



FRFCM



FGFCM

MSE

579

159

151

0.56

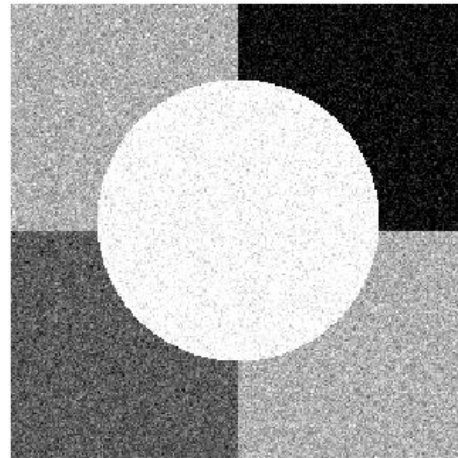
3.3

11

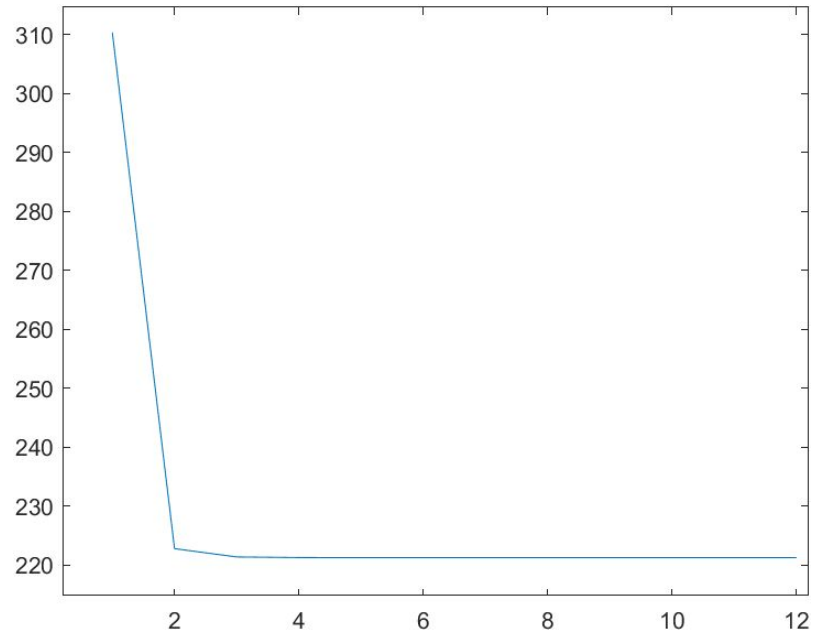
Results | Test Image 2



Original Image and Noisy Image

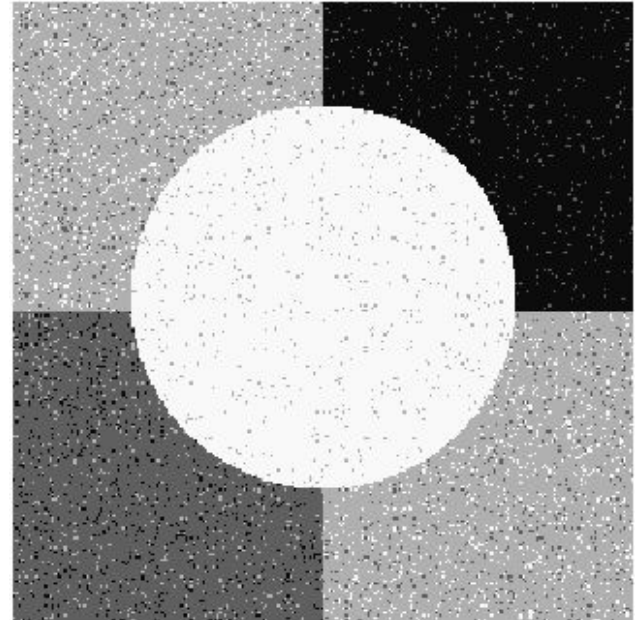


FCM | Objective Function vs Iterations

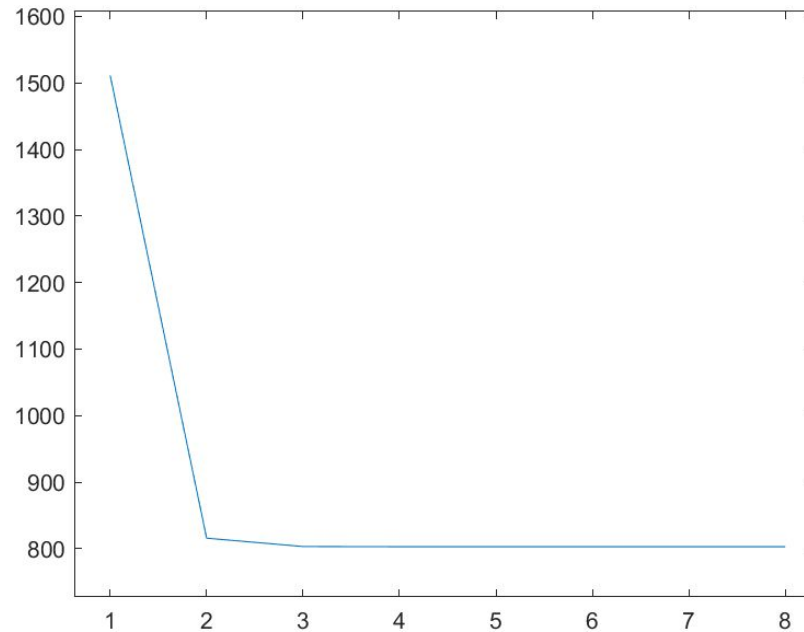


FCM | Segmentation

- $MSE = 582.6100$



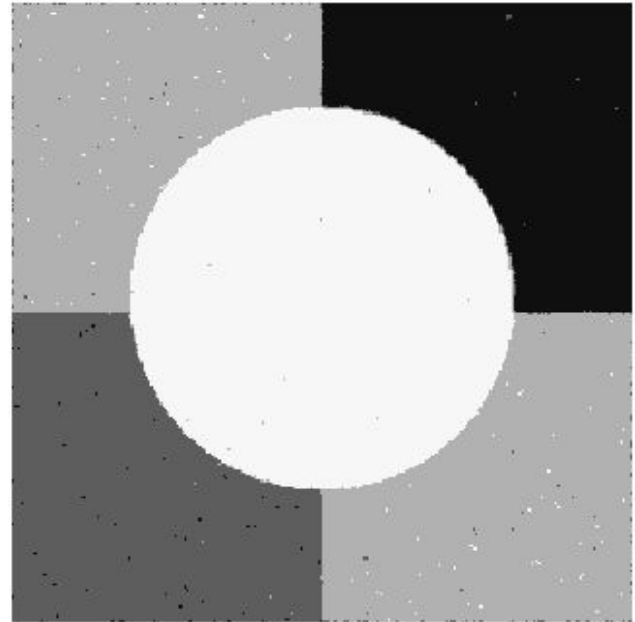
FCM_S | Objective Function vs Iterations



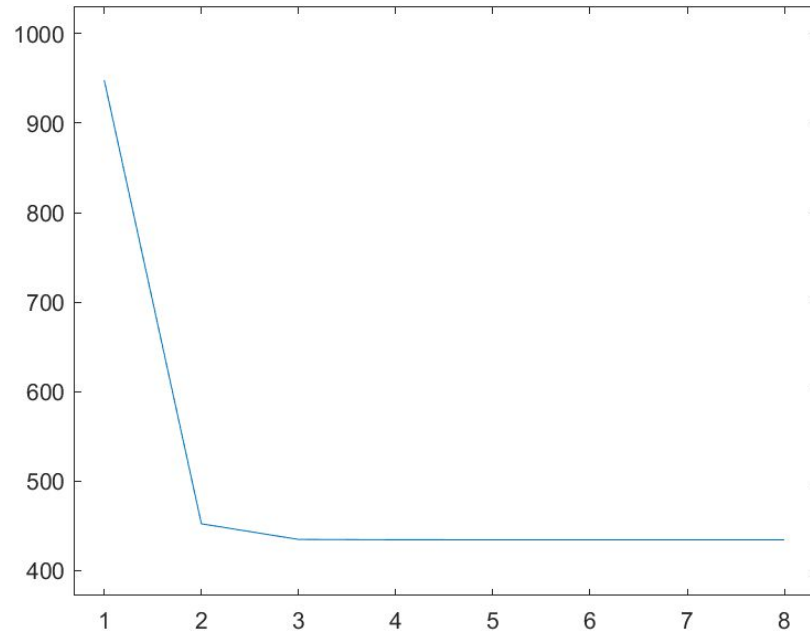


FCM_S | Segmentation

- $MSE = 139.7833$

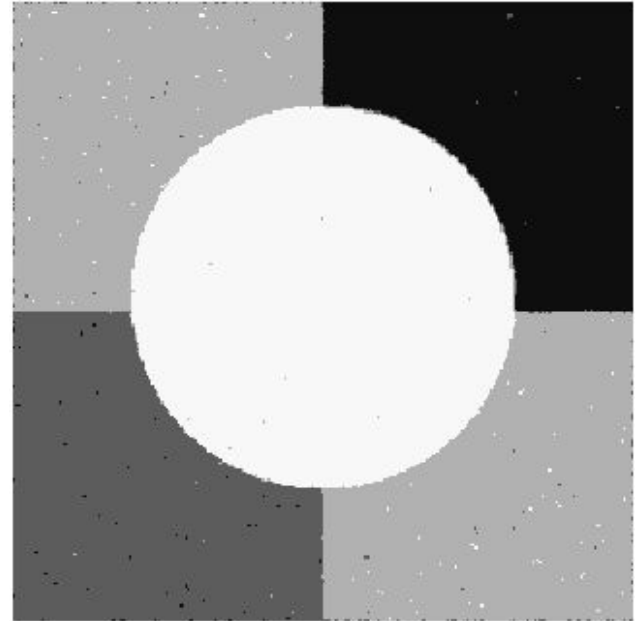


FCM_S1 | Objective Function vs Iterations

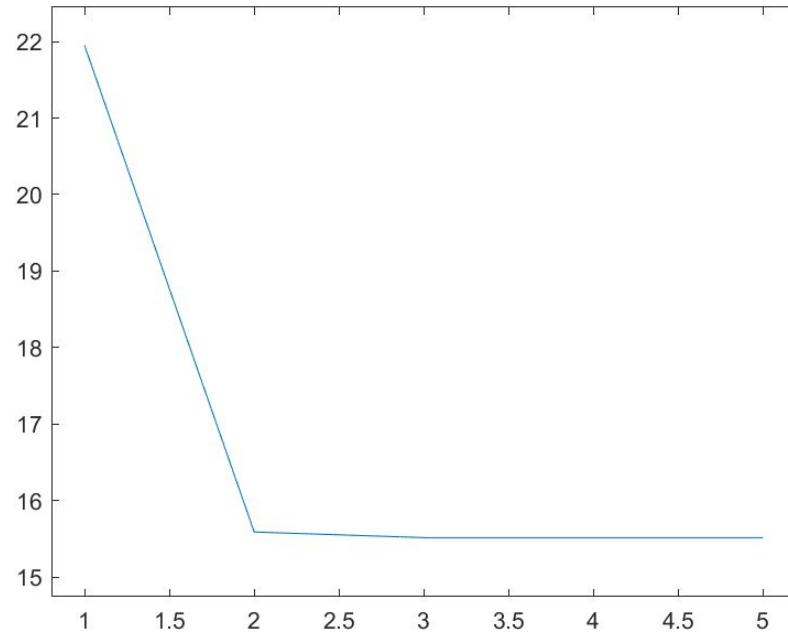


FCM_S1 | Segmentation

- MSE = 133.4468



FCM_EN | Objective Function vs Iterations



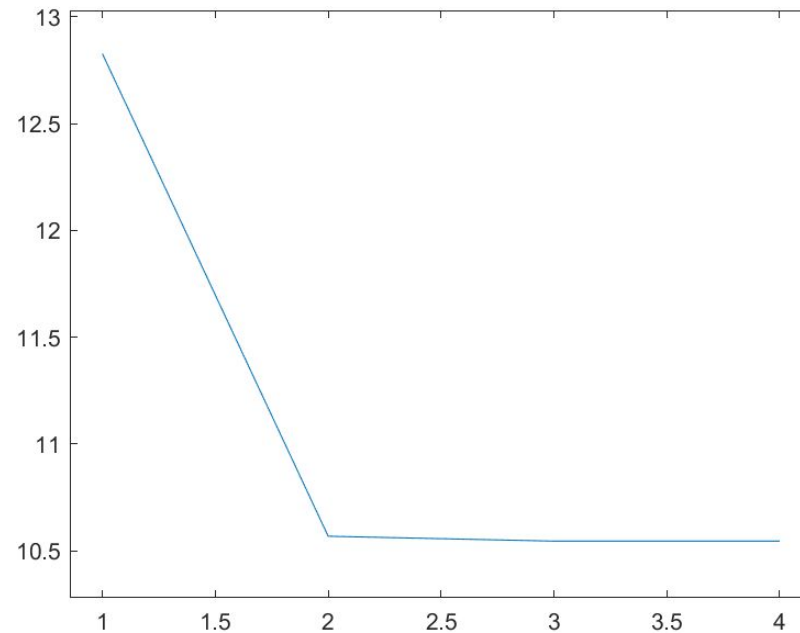


FCM_EN | Segmentation

- MSE = 23.3744



FGFCM | Objective Function vs Iterations





FGFCM | Segmentation

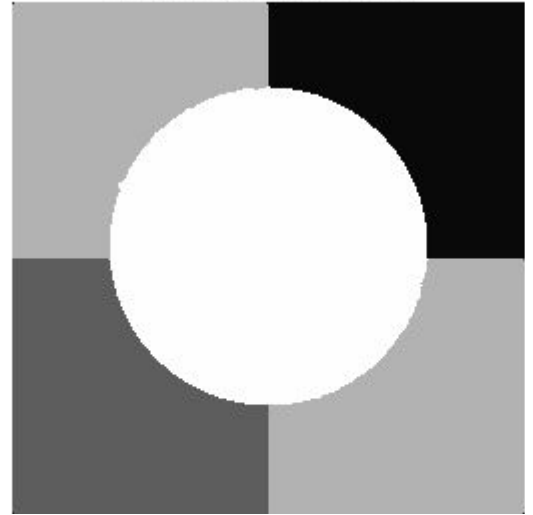
- $MSE = 1.8561$





FRFCM | Segmentation

- $MSE = 4$

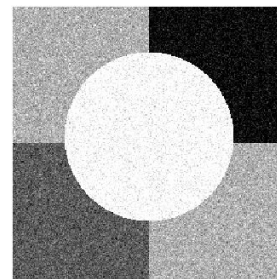




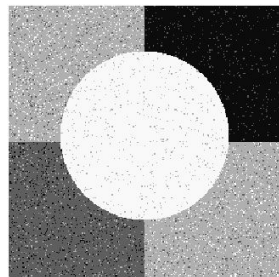
Segmentation



Original

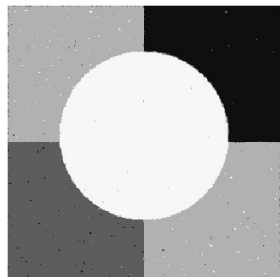


Noisy



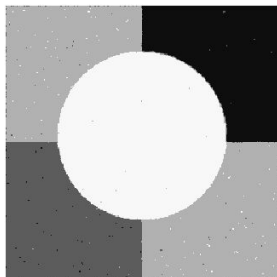
FCM

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FCM_S

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FCM_S1

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FCM_EN

23.3



FRFCM

1.85



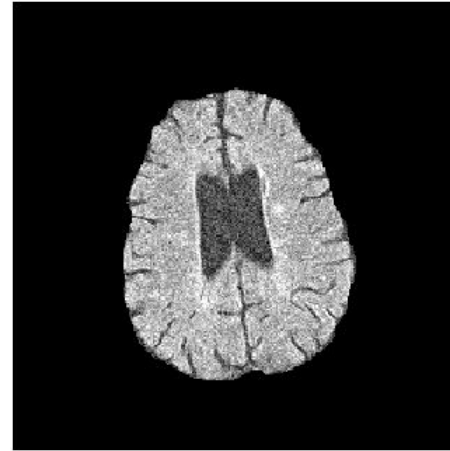
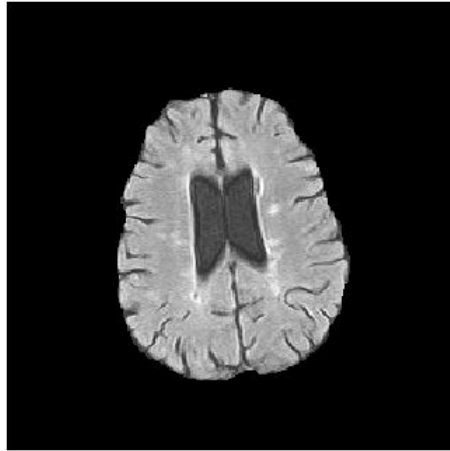
FGFCM

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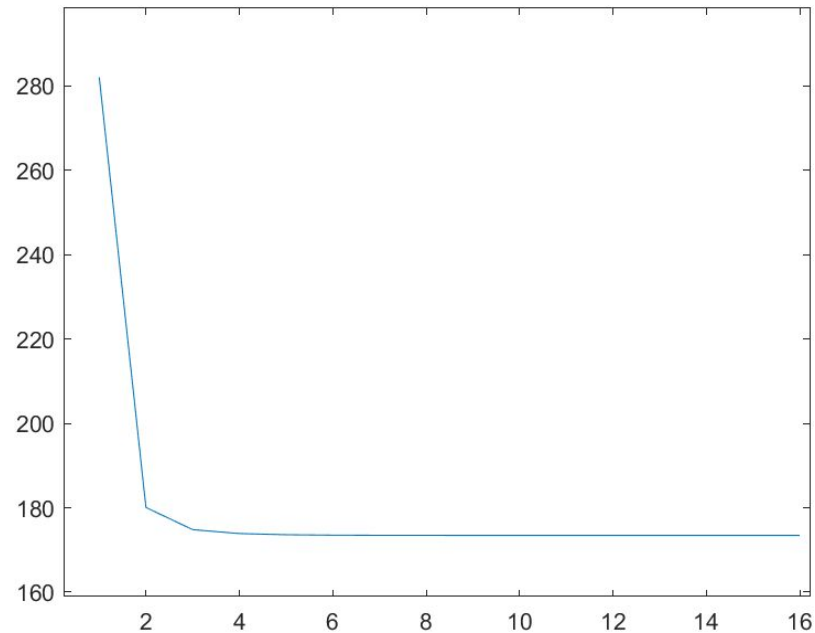
MSE

Results | Brain Image

Original Image and Noisy Image

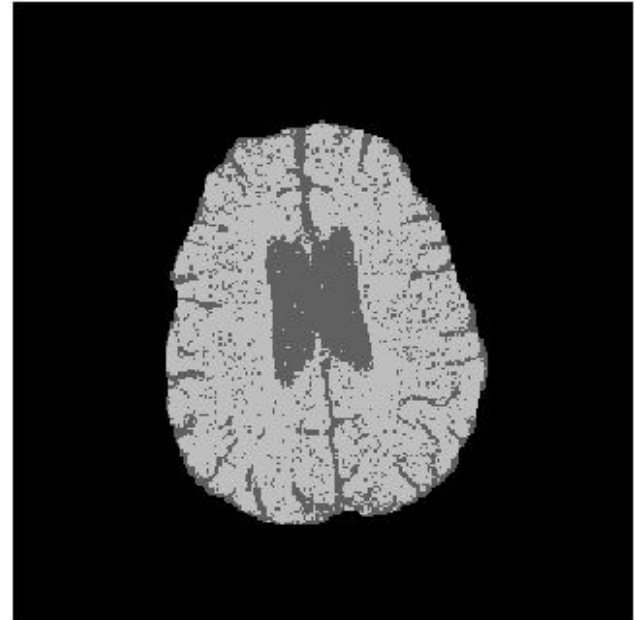


FCM | Objective Function vs Iterations

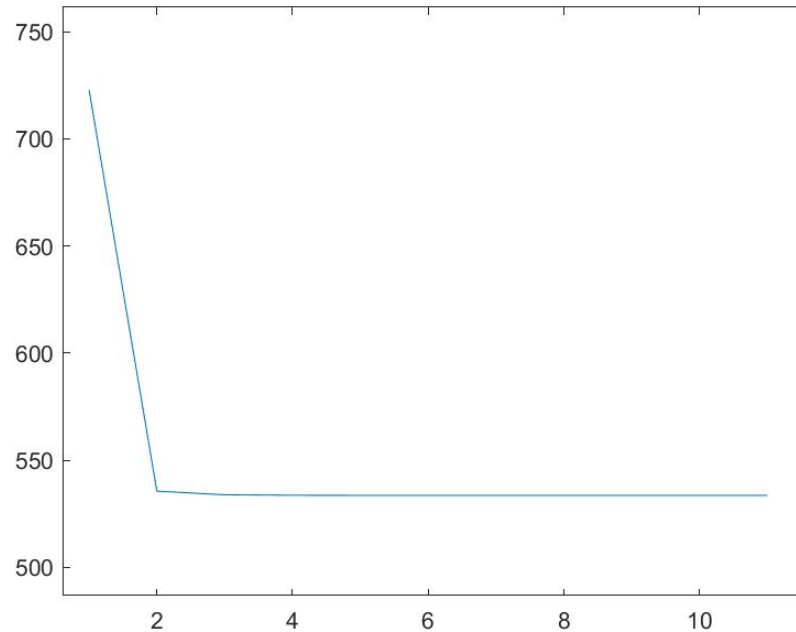


FCM | Segmentation

- $MSE = 242.6889$

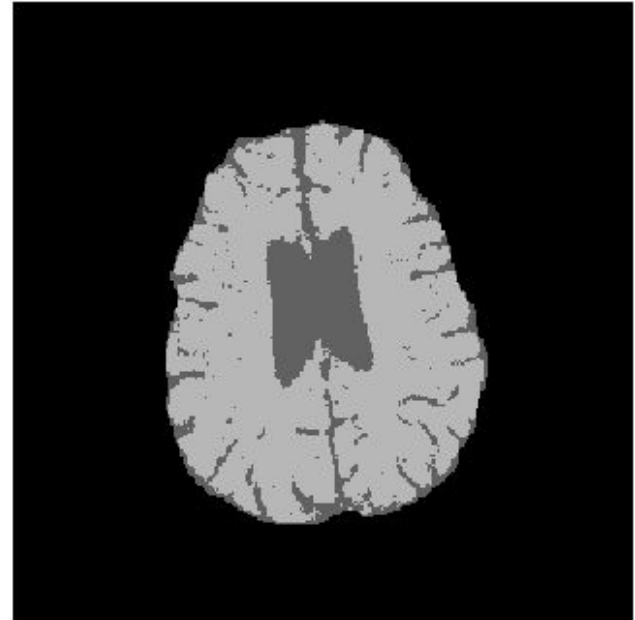


FCM_S | Objective Function vs Iterations

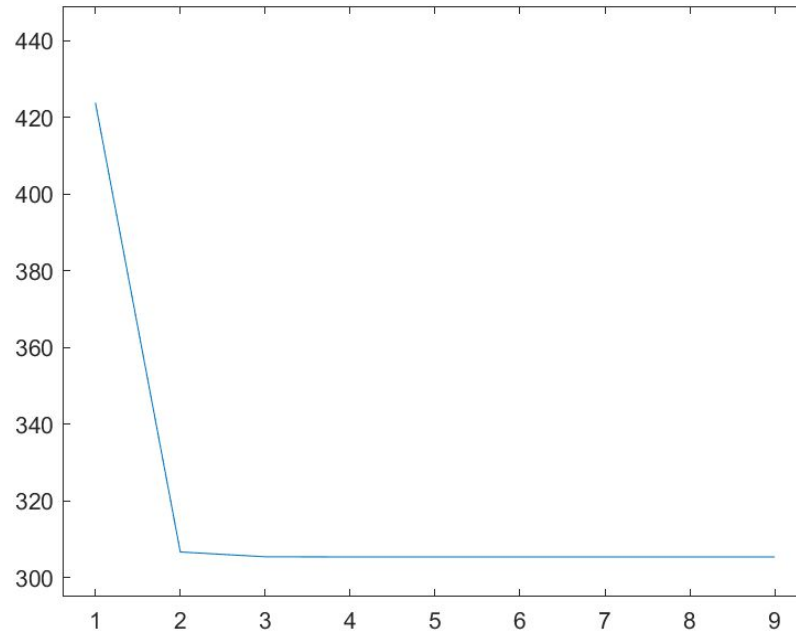


FCM_S | Segmentation

- MSE = 147.5855

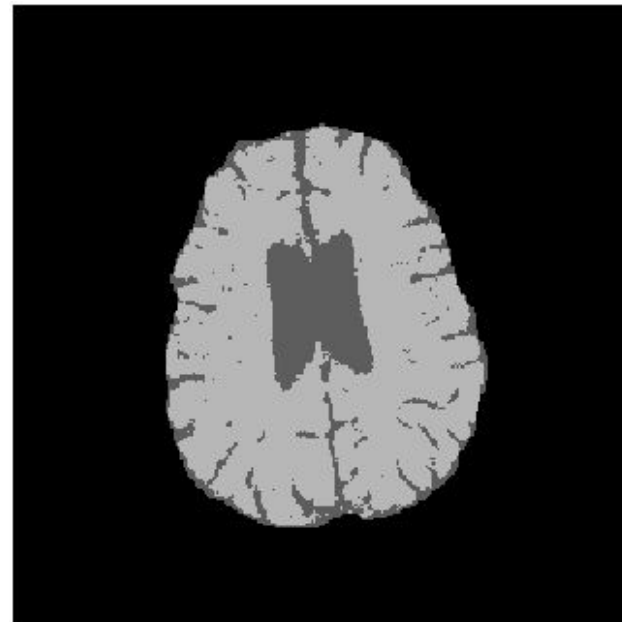


FCM_S1 | Objective Function vs Iterations

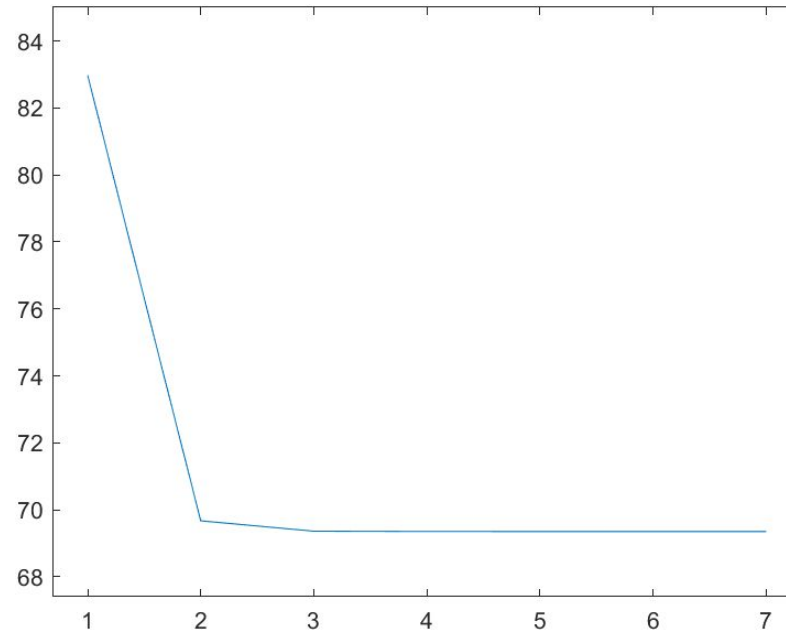


FCM_S1 | Segmentation

- MSE = 141.1271

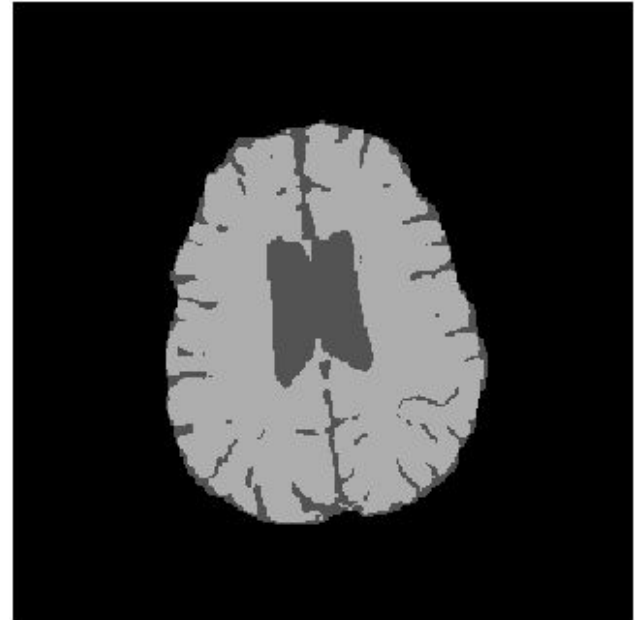


FCM_EN | Objective Function vs Iterations

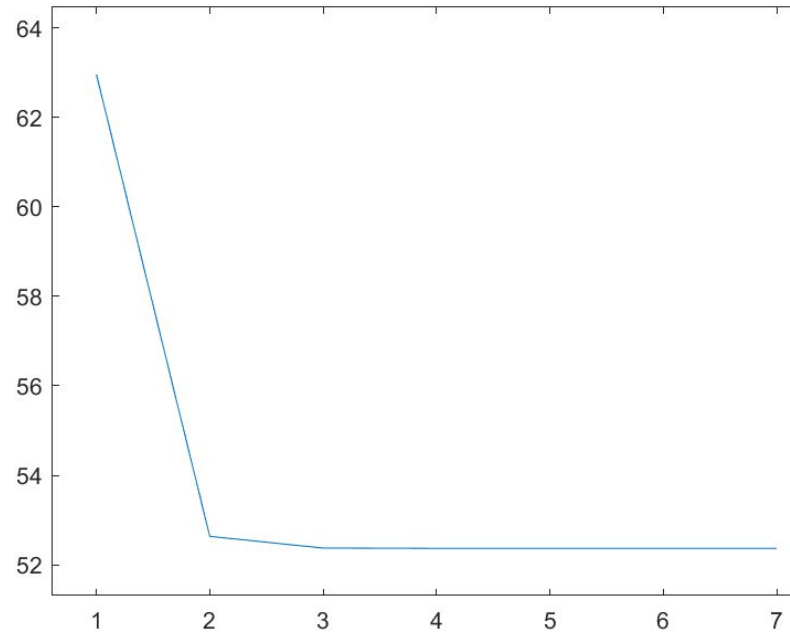


FCM_EN | Segmentation

- MSE = 109.7403

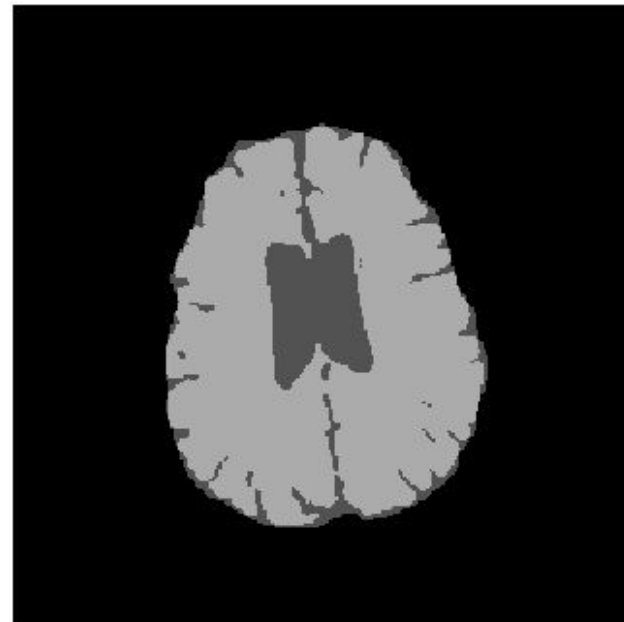


FGFCM | Objective Function vs Iterations



FGFCM | Segmentation

- MSE = 131.9464



FRFCM | Segmentation

- MSE = 212

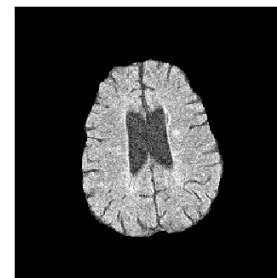




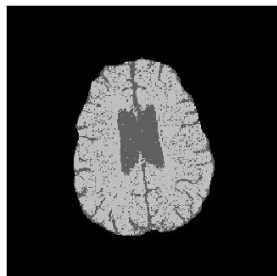
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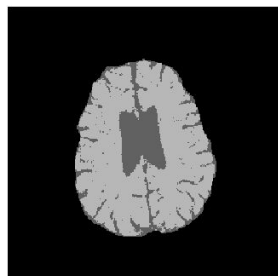
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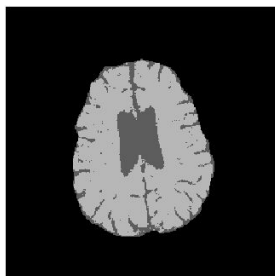
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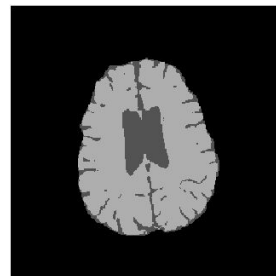
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FCM_S



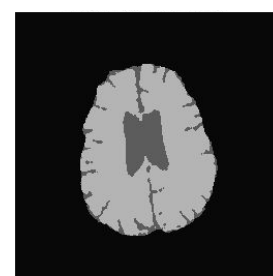
FCM_S1



FCM_EN



FGFCM



FRFCM

MSE

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Thank You

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