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CD19P02 – FUNDAMENTALS OF IMAGE PROCESSING

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INTRODUCTION TO MATLAB

MATLAB stands for MATrix LABoratory and the software is built up around vectors and matrices. It is a technical computing environment for high performance numeric computation and visualization. It integrates numerical analysis, matrix computation, signal processing and graphics in an easy-to-use environment, where problems and solutions are expressed just as they are written mathematically, without traditional programming. MATLAB is an interactive system whose basic data element is a matrix that does not require dimensioning. It enables us to solve many numerical problems in a fraction of the time that it would take to write a program and execute in a language such as FORTRAN, BASIC, or C. It also features a family of application specific solutions, called toolboxes. Areas in which toolboxes are available include signal processing, image processing, control systems design, dynamic systems simulation, systems identification, neural networks, wavelength communication and others. It can handle linear, non-linear, continuous-time, discrete time, multivariable and multirate systems.

How to start MATLAB

Choose the submenu "Programs" from the "Start" menu. From the "Programs" menu, open the "MATLAB" submenu. From the "MATLAB" submenu, choose "MATLAB".

Procedure

1. Open Matlab.
2. File New Script.
3. Type the program in untitled window
4. File Save type filename.m in Matlab workspace path.
5. Debug Run.
6. Output will be displayed at Figure dialog box.

Library Functions

clc:
Clear command window
Clears the command window and homes the cursor.
clear all:
Removes all variables from the workspace.
close all:
Closes all the open figure windows.
exp:
Y = exp(X) returns the exponential e x for each element in array X.
linespace:
y = linspace(x1,x2) returns a row vector of 100 evenly spaced points between x1 and x2.
rand:
X = rand returns a single uniformly distributed random number in the interval (0,1).
ones:
X = ones(n) returns an n-by-n matrix of ones.
zeros:
X = zeros(n) returns an n-by-n matrix of zeros.
plot:
plot(X,Y) creates a 2-D line plot of the data in Y versus the corresponding values in X.
subplot:
subplot(m,n,p) divides the current figure into an m-by-n grid and creates an axes for a subplot in the position specified by p.
stem:
stem(Y) plots the data sequence, Y, as stems that extend from a baseline along the x-axis. The data values are indicated by circles terminating each stem.
title:
title(str) adds the title consisting of a string, str, at the top and in the center of the current axes.

xlabel:
xlabel(str) labels the x-axis of the current axes with the text specified by str.
ylabel:
ylabel(str) labels the y-axis of the current axes with the string, str.

A Summary of Matlab Commands Used

imread	Read image from graphics file
imwrite	Write image to graphics file
imfinfo	Information about graphics file
imshow	Display Image
Implay	Play movies, videos or image sequences
gray2ind	Convert grayscale to indexed image
ind2gray	Convert indexed image to grayscale image
mat2gray	Convert matrix to grayscale image
rgb2gray	Convert RGB image or colormap to grayscale
imbinarize	Binarize image by thresholding
adapthresh	Adaptive image threshold using local first-order statistics
otsuthresh	Global histogram threshold using Otsu's method
im2uint16	Convert image to 16-bit unsigned integers
im2uint8	Convert image to 8-bit unsigned integers
imcrop	Crop image
imresize	Resize image
imrotate	Rotate image
imadjust	Adjust image intensity values or colormap
imcontrast	Adjust Contrast tool
imsharpen	Sharpen image using unsharp masking
histeq	Enhance contrast using histogram equalization
adapthisteq	Contrast-limited adaptive histogram equalization (CLAHE)
imhistmatch	Adjust histogram of image to match N-bin histogram of reference image
imnoise	Add noise to image
imfilter	N-D filtering of multidimensional images
fspecial	Create predefined 2-D filter
weiner2	2-D adaptive noise-removal filtering
medfilt2	2-D median filtering
ordfilt2	2-D order-statistic filtering
imfill	Fill image regions and holes
imclose	Morphologically close image
imdilate	Dilate image
imerode	Erode image
imopen	Morphologically open image
imreconstruct	Morphological reconstruction
watershed	Watershed transform
dct2	2-D discrete cosine transform
hough	Hough transform
graydist	Gray-weighted distance transform of grayscale image
fft2	2-D fast Fourier transform
ifftshift	Inverse FFT shift
imcomplement	Complement image

immultiply	Multiply two images or multiply image by constant
imsubtract	Subtract one image from another or subtract constant from image
imdivide	Divide one image into another or divide image by constant
imadd	Add two images or add constant to image

Ex.No:1 **IMPLEMENTATION OF IMAGE PROCESSING COMMANDS**

Date: 24/07/24

Aim:

To Perform important image processing commands using Matlab.

Software Used:

MATLAB

Theory:

Basic Image Processing with MATLAB:

MATLAB is a very simple software for coding. All data variable in MATLAB are thought a matrix and matrix operations are used for analyzing them. MATLAB has the different toolboxes according to application areas. In this section, MATLAB Image Processing Toolbox is presented and the use of its basic functions for digital image is explained.

Read, write, show image and plot:

imread()

It is the function is used for reading image. If we run this function with requiring data, image is converted to a two-dimensional matrix (gray image is two-dimensional, but, color image is three-dimensional) with rows and columns including gray value in the each cell.

I = imread(‘path/filename.fileextension');

imread() function only needs an image file. If the result of imread() function is equal to a variable, a matrix variable (I) is created. File name, extension, and directory path that contains image must be written between two single quotes. If script and image file are in the same folder,path is not necessary.

imshow()

The matrix variable of image is showed using imshow() function. If many images show with sequence on the different figure windows, we use “figure” function for opening new window.

imwrite()

It is the function is used to create an image. This function only requires a new image file name with extension. If the new image is saved to a specific directory, the path of directory is necessary.

subplot

Subplot divides the current figure into rectangular panes that are numbered rowwise. Each pane contains an axes object which you can manipulate using Axes Properties. Subsequent plots are output to the current pane. h = subplot(m,n,p) or subplot(mnp) breaks the figure window into an m-by-n matrix of small axes, selects the pth axes object for the current plot, and returns the axes handle. The axes are counted along the top row of the figure window, then the second row, etc.

impixelinfo

The function impixelinfo creates a Pixel Information tool in the current figure. The Pixel Information tool displays information about the pixel in an image that the pointer is positioned over. The tool can display pixel information for all the images in a figure.

imageinfo

The function imageinfo creates an Image Information tool associated with the image in the current figure. The tool displays information about the basic attributes of the target image in a separate figure. title – The function title('string') outputs the string at the top and in the center of the current axes.

1.1) Program

```
clear
close all
clc
I=imread('coffee.jpeg');
imshow(I);
```

Output:

1.2)Program

```
clc;
clear all;
close all;
subplot(2,2,1), imshow('coffee.jpeg'),title('Coffee');
subplot(2,2,2), imshow('flower.jpg'),title('Flower');
subplot(2,2,3), imshow('Lightning (1).jpg'),title('Lightning');
subplot(2,2,4), imshow('giraffee.png'),title('Giraffee');
impixelinfo;
imageinfo('coffee.jpeg');
imageinfo('flower.jpg');
imageinfo('Lightning (1).jpg');
imageinfo('giraffee.png');
```

Output:

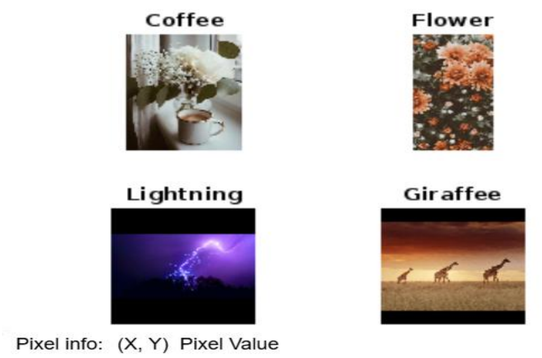


Image Info (giraffee.png)

Metadata (giraffee.png)

Attribute	Value
Filename	/MATLAB Drive/giraffee.png
FileModDate	05-Aug-2024 03:19:14
FileSize	157995
Format	png
FormatVersion	[]
Width	
Height	700
BitDepth	700
ColorType	indexed
FormatSignature	'indexed'
Colormap	[137 80 78 71 13 10 26 10]
Histogram	[254x3 double]
InterlaceType	none
Transparency	none
SimpleTransparencyData	'none'
BackgroundColor	'none'
RenderingIntent	[]
Chromaticities	
Gamma	[]
XResolution	
YResolution	[]
ResolutionUnit	
XOffset	[]

Image Info (Lightning (1).jpg)

Metadata (Lightning (1).jpg)

Attribute	Value
Filename	/MATLAB Drive/Lightning (1).jpg
FileModDate	14-Aug-2024 03:28:15
FileSize	65272
Format	jpg
FormatVersion	''
Width	700
Height	700
BitDepth	24
ColorType	truecolor
FormatSignature	''
NumberOfSamples	3
CodingMethod	Huffman
CodingProcess	Sequential
Comment	{}
AutoOrientedWidth	700
AutoOrientedHeight	700

Image Info (flower.jpg)

Metadata (flower.jpg)

Attribute	Value
Filename	/MATLAB Drive/flower.jpg
FileModDate	01-Nov-2024 06:54:23
FileSize	127492
Format	jpg
FormatVersion	''
Width	750
Height	1334
BitDepth	24
ColorType	truecolor
FormatSignature	''
NumberOfSamples	3
CodingMethod	Huffman
CodingProcess	Progressive
Comment	{}
AutoOrientedWidth	750
AutoOrientedHeight	1334

Image Info (coffee.jpeg)

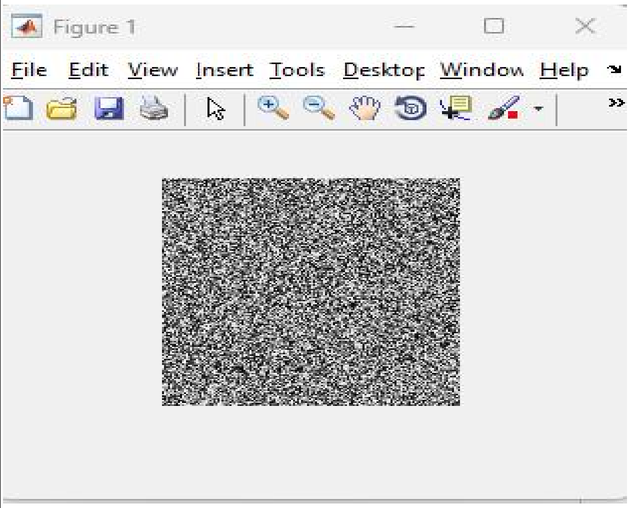
Metadata (coffee.jpeg)

Attribute	Value
Filename	/MATLAB Drive/coffee.jpeg
FileModDate	01-Nov-2024 06:48:44
FileSize	58584
Format	jpg
FormatVersion	''
Width	720
Height	900
BitDepth	24
ColorType	truecolor
FormatSignature	''
NumberOfSamples	3
CodingMethod	Huffman
CodingProcess	Progressive
Comment	{}
AutoOrientedWidth	720
AutoOrientedHeight	900

1.3) Program

```
clc;
clear all;
close all;
A = rand(150);
imwrite(A,'myGray.png');
imshow('mygray.png')
```

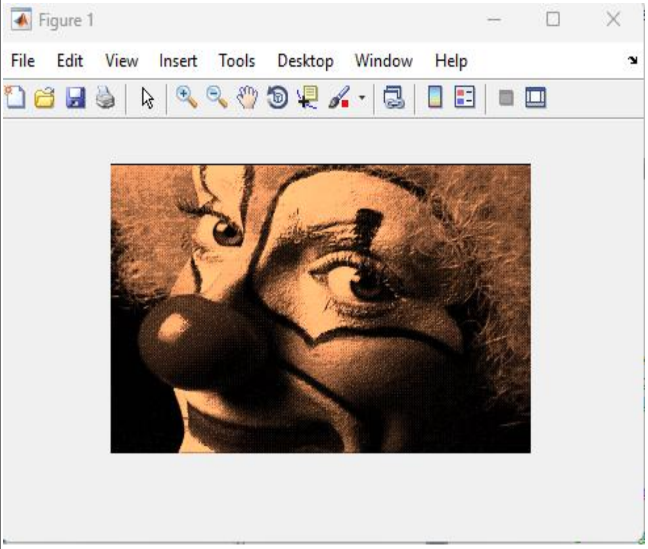
Output:



1.4) Program

```
clc;
clear all;
close all;
load clown.mat
newmap = copper(81);
imwrite(X,newmap,'copperclown.png');
imshow('copperclown.png');
```

Output:



Result:

The important image commands have been displayed and studied.

Ex.No:2a **IMPLEMENTATION OF ARITHMETIC OPERATIONS**

Date: 31/07/24

Aim:

To implement arithmetic operations of an image using Matlab.

Software Used:

MATLAB

Theory:

Imadd

Add two images or add constant to image

Syntax:

Z = imadd(X,Y)

Description:

Z = imadd(X,Y) adds each element in array X with the corresponding element in array Y and returns the sum in the corresponding element of the output array Z. X and Y are real, nonsparse numeric arrays with the same size and class, or Y is a scalar double. Z has the same size and class as X, unless X is logical, in which case Z is double.
If X and Y are integer arrays, elements in the output that exceed the range of the integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded.

Example

Add two uint8 arrays. Note the truncation that occurs when the values exceed 255.

```
X = uint8([ 255 0 75; 44 225 100]);
Y = uint8([ 50 50 50; 50 50 50 ]);
Z = imadd(X,Y)
Z =

  255    50   125
   94   255   150
```

imsubtract

Subtract one image from another or subtract constant from image

Syntax

Z = imsubtract(X,Y)

Description

Z = imsubtract(X,Y) subtracts each element in array Y from the corresponding element in array X and returns the difference in the corresponding element of the output array Z. X and Y are real, nonsparse numeric arrays of the same size and class, or Y is a double scalar. The array returned, Z, has the same size and class as X unless X is logical, in which case Z is double.
If X is an integer array, elements of the output that exceed the range of the integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded.

Example

Subtract two uint8 arrays. Note that negative results are rounded to 0.

```
X = uint8([ 255 10 75; 44 225 100]);
Y = uint8([ 50 50 50; 50 50 50 ]);
Z = imsubtract(X,Y)
Z =
  205    0   25
```

```
   0   175   50
```

immultiply

Multiply two images or multiply image by constant

Syntax

Z = immultiply(X,Y)

Description

Z = immultiply(X,Y) multiplies each element in array X by the corresponding element in array Y and returns the product in the corresponding element of the output array Z.
If X and Y are real numeric arrays with the same size and class, then Z has the same size and class as X. If X is a numeric array and Y is a scalar double, then Z has the same size and class as X. If X is logical and Y is numeric, then Z has the same size and class as Y. If X is numeric and Y is logical, then Z has the same size and class as X.
immultiply computes each element of Z individually in double-precision floating point. If X is an integer array, then elements of Z exceeding the range of the integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded. If X and Y are numeric arrays of the same size and class, you can use the expression X.*Y instead of immultiply.

Example

```
%Scale an image by a constant factor:
I = imread('moon.tif');
J = immultiply(I,0.5);
subplot(1,2,1), imshow(I)
subplot(1,2,2), imshow(J)
```

imdivide
Divide one image into another or divide image by constant
Syntax
Z = imdivide(X,Y)

Description
Z = imdivide(X,Y) divides each element in the array X by the corresponding element in array Y and returns the result in the corresponding element of the output array Z. X and Y are real, nonsparse numeric arrays with the same size and class, or Y can be a scalar double. Z has the same size and class as X and Y, unless X is logical, in which case Z is double. If X is an integer array, elements in the output that exceed the range of integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded. If X and Y are numeric arrays of the same size and class, you can use the expression X./Y instead of imdivide.

Example

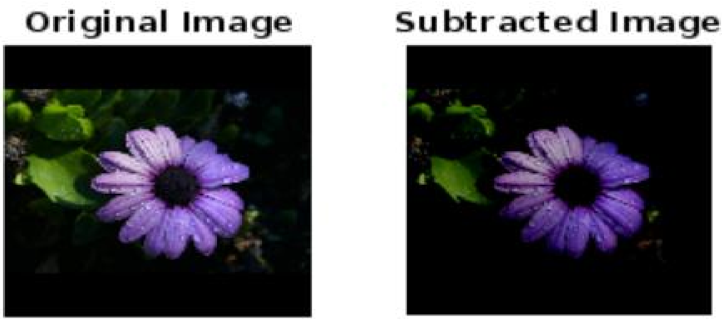
```
%Divide two uint8 arrays. Note that fractional values greater than or equal to 0.5 are rounded up to the nearest integer.
X = uint8([ 255 10 75; 44 225 100]);
Y = uint8([ 50 20 50; 50 50 50 ]);
Z = imdivide(X,Y)
Z =
    5     1     2
    1     5     2

%Estimate and divide out the background of the rice image.
I = imread('rice.png');
background = imopen(I,strel('disk',15));
Ip = imdivide(I,background);
imshow(Ip,[])
```

2.1) Program

```
close all;
clear;
I = imread('flower (2) (1).jpg');
background = imopen(I,strel('disk',15));
Ip = imsubtract(I,background);
imshow(Ip,[]), title('Difference Image');
Iq = imsubtract(I,50); figure
subplot(1,2,1), imshow(I), title('Original Image');
subplot(1,2,2), imshow(Iq), title('Subtracted Image');
```

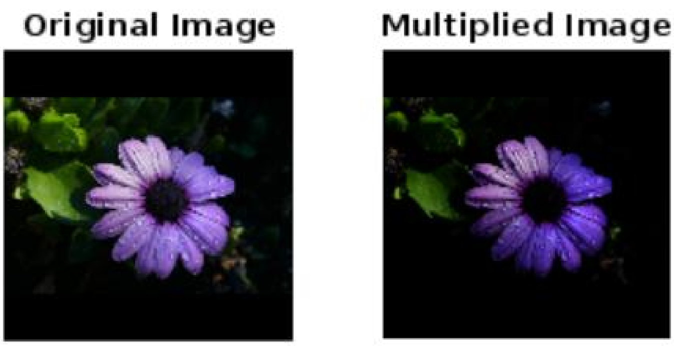
Output:



2.2)Program:

```
clc;
close all;
clear all;
I = imread('flower (2) (1).jpg');
I16 = uint16(I);
J = immultiply(I16,I16);
subplot(1,2,1), imshow(I), title('Original Image');
subplot(1,2,2), imshow(J), title('Multiplied Image');
```

Output:



Result:

Thus the arithmetic operations of an image have been implemented using MATLAB.

Ex.No:2b **IMPLEMENTATION OF LOGICAL OPERATIONS**

Date: 05/08/24

Aim:

To implement logical operations of an image using Matlab.

Software Used:

MATLAB

Theory:

Logical operations apply only to binary images, whereas arithmetic operations apply to multi-valued pixels. Logical operations are basic tools in binary image processing, where they are used for tasks such as masking, feature detection, and shape analysis. Logical operations on entire image are performed pixel by pixel. Because the AND operation of two binary variables is 1 only when both variables are 1, the result at any location in a resulting AND image is 1 only if the corresponding pixels in the two input images are 1. As logical operation involve only one pixel location at a time, they can be done in place, as in the case of arithmetic operations. The XOR (exclusive OR) operation yields a 1 when one or other pixel (but not both) is 1, and it yields a 0 otherwise. The operation is unlike the OR operation, which is 1, when one or the other pixel is 1, or both pixels are 1.

Logical AND & OR operations are useful for the masking and compositing of images. For example, if we compute the AND of a binary image with some other image, then pixels for which the corresponding value in the binary image is 1 will be preserved, but pixels for which the corresponding binary value is 0 will be set to 0 (erased) . Thus the binary image acts as a mask that removes information from certain parts of the image. On the other hand, if we compute the OR of a binary image with some other image , the pixels for which the corresponding value in the binary image is 0 will be preserved, but pixels for which the corresponding binary value is 1, will be set to 1 (cleared).

Logical AND:
Syntax:
c = a & b;
Logical And is commonly used for detecting differences in images, highlighting target regions with a binary mask or producing bit-planes through an image.

Logical OR:
Syntax:
C = a | b;
It is useful for processing binary-valued images (0 or 1) to detect objects which have moved between frames. Binary objects are typically produced through application of thresholding to a grey-scale image.

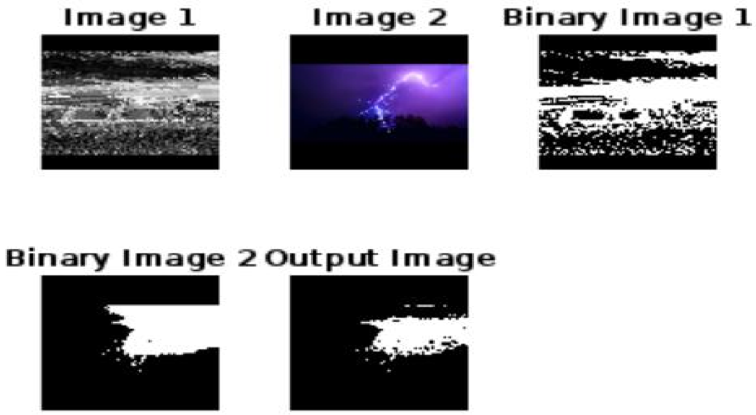
Logical NOT:
Syntax:
B = ~A
This inverts the image representation. In the simplest case of a binary image, the (black) background pixels become (white) and vice versa.

Logical X OR:
Syntax:
C = xor (a,b) ;
It is useful for processing binary-valued images (0 or 1) to detect objects which have moved between frames. Binary objects are typically produced through application of thresholding to a grey-scale image.

Program:- To perform AND operation in an image

```
img1 = imread('giraffee.png');
img2 = imread('Lightning (1).jpg');
grayImg1 = im2gray(img1);
grayImg2 = im2gray(img2);
binaryImg1 = imbinarize(grayImg1);
binaryImg2 = imbinarize(grayImg2);
binaryImg2 = imresize(binaryImg2, size(binaryImg1));
resultImage = binaryImg1 & binaryImg2;
subplot(2, 3, 1), imshow(img1), title('Image 1');
subplot(2, 3, 2), imshow(img2), title('Image 2');
subplot(2, 3, 3), imshow(binaryImg1), title('Binary Image 1');
subplot(2, 3, 4), imshow(binaryImg2), title('Binary Image 2');
subplot(2, 3, 5), imshow(resultImage), title('Output Image');
```

Output:



Program: - To perform OR operation in an image

```
img1 = imread('giraffee.png');
img2 = imread('sunset.png');
grayImg1 = im2gray(img1);
grayImg2 = im2gray(img2);
binaryImg1 = imbinarize(grayImg1);
binaryImg2 = imbinarize(grayImg2);
binaryImg2 = imresize(binaryImg2, size(binaryImg1));
resultImage = binaryImg1 | binaryImg2;
subplot(2, 3, 1), imshow("giraffee.png"), title('Image 1');
subplot(2, 3, 2), imshow("sunset.png"), title('Image 2');
subplot(2, 3, 3), imshow(binaryImg1), title('Binary Image 1');
subplot(2, 3, 4), imshow(binaryImg2), title('Binary Image 2');
subplot(2, 3, 5), imshow(resultImage), title('Output Image');
```

Output:

Program:- To perform NOT operation in an image

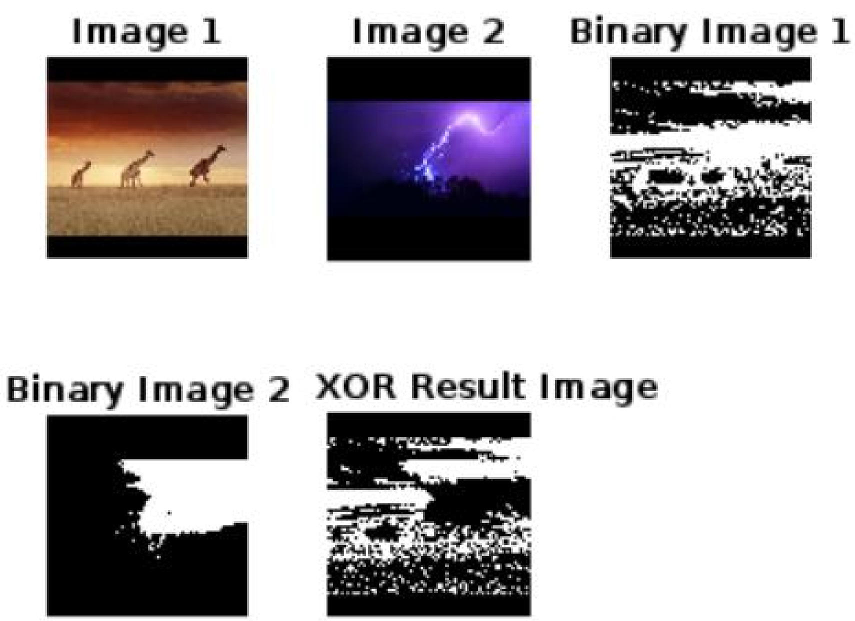
```
inputImage = imread('giraffee.png');
binaryImage = imbinarize(im2gray(inputImage));
resultImage = ~binaryImage;
subplot(1, 3, 1), imshow("giraffee.png"), title('Input Image');
subplot(1, 3, 2), imshow(binaryImage),title('Binary Image');
subplot(1, 3, 3), imshow(resultImage), title('Output Image');
```

Output:

Program:- To perform XOR operation in an image

```
img1 = imread('giraffee.png');
img2 = imread('Lightning (1).jpg');
binaryImg1 = imbinarize(im2gray(img1));
binaryImg2 = imbinarize(im2gray(img2));
binaryImg2 = imresize(binaryImg2, size(binaryImg1));
resultImage = xor(binaryImg1, binaryImg2);
subplot(2, 3, 1), imshow("giraffee.png"), title('Image 1');
subplot(2, 3, 2), imshow("Lightning (1).jpg"), title('Image 2');
subplot(2, 3, 3), imshow(binaryImg1), title('Binary Image 1');
subplot(2, 3, 4), imshow(binaryImg2), title('Binary Image 2');
subplot(2, 3, 5), imshow(resultImage), title(‘XOR Result Image');
```

Output:



Result:

Thus the logical operations of an image have been implemented using MATLAB.

Ex.No:3a **IMPLEMENTATION OF SET OPERATIONS**

Date: 07/08/24

Aim:

To implement Set operations of an image using Matlab.

Software Used:

MATLAB

Theory:

Set operations in MATLAB refer to various mathematical operations performed on the pixel values of two or more images. These operations allow you to combine or manipulate the pixel values to achieve different effects. Here's an overview of some common set operations in MATLAB image processing.

Union:

Syntax:
unionImage = max(image A, image B);
The union of two images is obtained by taking the maximum pixel value at each corresponding pixel position from the input images. This operation can be used for merging images or enhancing certain features.

Interssection:

Syntax:
intersectionImage = min(image A, image B);
The intersection of two images is obtained by taking the minimum pixel value at each corresponding pixel position from the input images. This operation highlights common features between the images.

Complement:

Syntax:
ComplementImage = 255 – image;
The complement of an image is obtained by subtracting each pixel value from the maximum pixel value (often 255 for 8-bit images). This operation results in an image with inverted pixel values.

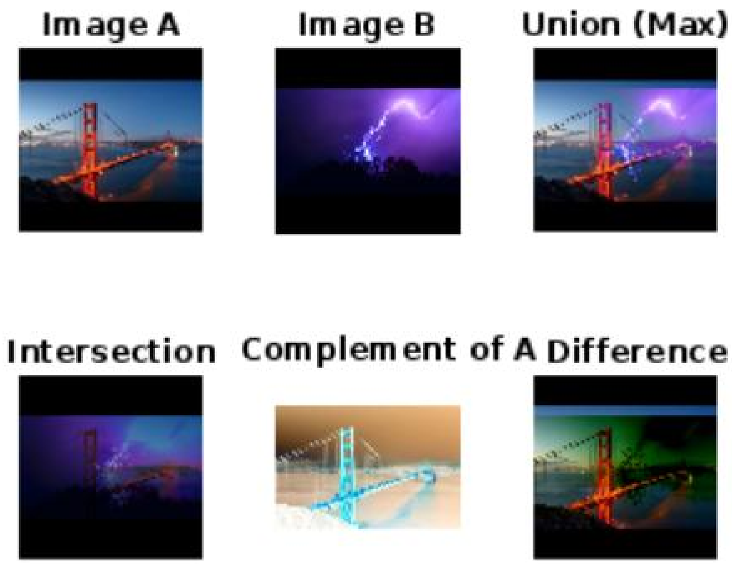
Difference:

Syntax:
differenceimage = abs (image A – image B) ;
The difference between two images is obtained by taking the absolute difference between their pixel values. This operation can be used for highlighting dissimilarities between images.

Program:- To perform Set operation’s in an image

```
imageA = imread('image1-2 (1).jpg');
imageB = imread('Lightning (1).jpg');
if ~isequal(size(imageA), size(imageB))
  error('Input images must have the same dimensions.');
end
unionImage = max(imageA, imageB);
intersectionImage = min(imageA, imageB);
complementImageA = 255 - imageA;
differenceImage = abs(imageA - imageB);
subplot(2, 3, 1);imshow(uint8(imageA)); title('Image A');
subplot(2, 3, 2);imshow(uint8(imageB)); title('Image B');
subplot(2, 3, 3);imshow(unionImage);title('Union (Max)');
subplot(2, 3, 4);imshow(intersectionImage);title('Intersection (Min)');
subplot(2, 3, 5);imshow(complementImageA);title('Complement of A');
subplot(2, 3, 6);imshow(differenceImage);title('Difference');
imwrite(unionImage, 'union_image.jpg');
imwrite(intersectionImage, 'intersection_image.jpg');
imwrite(complementImageA, 'complement_imageA.jpg');
imwrite(differenceImage, 'difference_image.jpg');
disp('Set operation images saved.');
```

Output:



Result:

Thus, the set operations of an image have been implemented using MATLAB.

Ex.No:3b **IMPLEMENTATION OF LOCAL AVERAGING USING NEIGHBORHOOD PROCESSING**

Date: 14/08/24

Aim:

To implement local averaging using neighborhood processing in an image using Matlab.

Software Used:

MATLAB

Theory:

Local averaging using neighborhood processing is a fundamental technique in image processing. It involves smoothing or blurring an image by computing the average value of pixels in a local neighborhood around each pixel. The goal is to reduce noise and fine details in the image while preserving its overall structure. Here's the theory behind the process.

Neighborhood Selection:
In this technique, a fixed-size neighborhood (also known as a kernel or filter) is defined around each pixel in the image. This neighborhood is typically square or rectangular and can vary in size. Common neighborhood sizes are 3x3, 5x5, or 7x7, but the choice depends on the specific application and desired level of smoothing.

Kernel Creation:
A kernel is created with values that represent the weights assigned to each pixel within the neighborhood. For local averaging, all values in the kernel are typically set to 1, and the sum of the kernel values is often normalized to 1 by dividing each value by the total number of values in the kernel. This ensures that the operation doesn't change the overall brightness of the image.

Convolution Operation:
To perform local averaging, a convolution operation is applied to the image. Convolution is a mathematical operation that combines two functions to produce a third function. In image processing, the convolution operation combines the pixel values in the neighborhood with the corresponding values in the kernel. The result is a weighted sum of pixel values, which effectively represents the average value of the pixels in the neighborhood.

Pixel Replacement:
The new value for the pixel at the center of the neighborhood is computed based on the weighted sum, and it replaces the original pixel value. This process is repeated for every pixel in the image.

Smoothing Effect:
The convolution operation effectively smooths the image by averaging pixel values in local regions. Pixels with strong noise or high-frequency details are averaged with their neighbors, leading to a blurring effect that reduces the impact of noise and enhances the visibility of larger-scale features in the image.

Adjustable Smoothing:
The degree of smoothing can be controlled by adjusting the size of the neighborhood and the values in the kernel. Larger neighborhoods or kernels with larger values will produce more significant smoothing, while smaller neighborhoods or kernels with smaller values will result in less smoothing.
Local averaging using neighborhood processing is a simple yet powerful technique with a wide range of applications in image processing, such as noise reduction, edge-preserving smoothing, and feature extraction. It's a building block for more advanced filtering and processing techniques used in computer vision, image enhancement, and computer graphics.

Program:- To perform local averaging using neighborhood processing in an image

```
inputImage = imread('bridge.jpg');
neighborhoodSize = 3;
filter = fspecial('average', neighborhoodSize);
averagedImage = imfilter(inputImage, filter);
subplot(1, 2, 1);
imshow(inputImage);
title('Original Image');
subplot(1, 2, 2);
imshow(averagedImage);
title('Averaged Image');
imwrite(averagedImage, 'averaged_image.jpg');
disp('Averaged image saved as "averaged_image.jpg"');
```

Output:

Result:

Thus, the local averaging using neighborhood processing of an image has been implemented using MATLAB.

Ex.No:4 **IMPLEMENTATION OF CONVOLUTION OPERATION**

Date: 14/08/24

Aim:

To implement Convolution operation of an image using Matlab.

Software Used:

MATLAB

Theory:

Convolution and correlation are the two fundamental mathematical operations involved in linear filters based on neighbourhood-oriented image processing algorithms.

Convolution

Convolution processes an image by computing, for each pixel, a weighted sum of the values of that pixel and its neighbours. Depending on the choice of weights, a wide variety of image processing operations can be implemented.

Different convolution masks produce different results when applied to the same input image. These operations are referred to as filtering operations and the masks as spatial filters. Spatial filters are often named based on their behaviour in the spatial frequency. Low-pass filters (LPFs) are those spatial filters whose effect on the output image is equivalent to attenuating the high-frequency components (fine details in the image) and preserving the low-frequency components (coarser details and homogeneous areas in the image). These filters are typically used to either blur an image or reduce the amount of noise present in the image. Linear low-pass filters can be implemented using 2D convolution masks with non-negative coefficients.

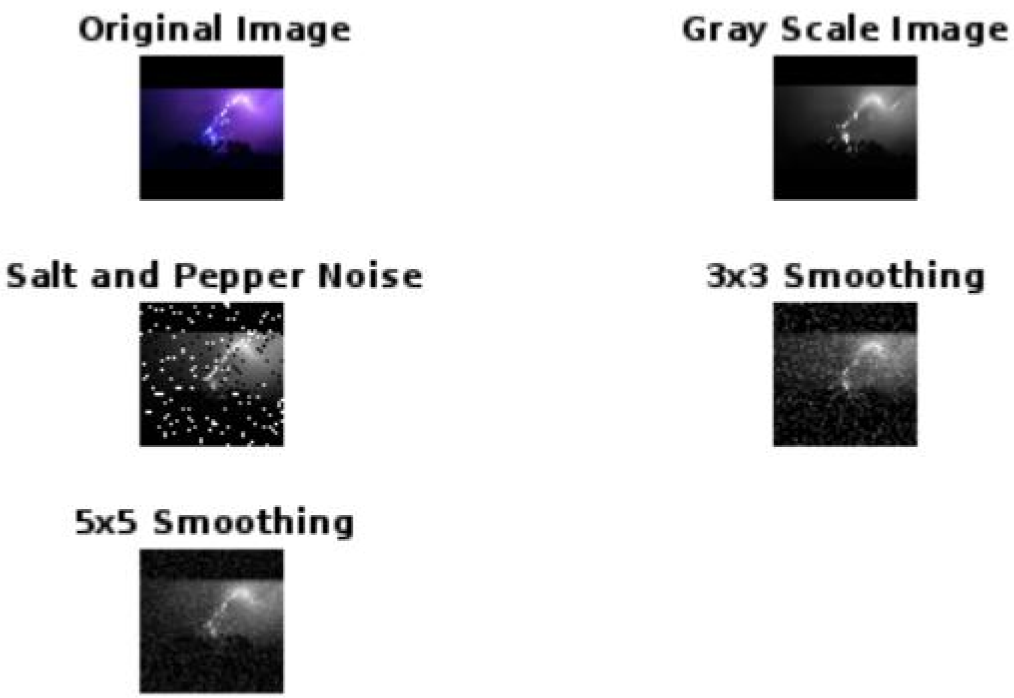
High-pass filters (HPFs) work in a complementary way to LPFs, that is, these preserve or enhance high-frequency components with the possible side-effect of enhancing noisy pixels as well. High-frequency components include fine details, points, lines and edges. In other words, these highlight transitions in intensity within the image. There are two in-built functions in MATLAB's Image Processing Toolbox (IPT) that can be used to implement 2D convolution: conv2 and filter2.

1. **conv2** computes 2D convolution between two matrices. For example, C=conv2(A,B) computes the two-dimensional convolution of matrices A and B. If one of these matrices describes a two-dimensional finite impulse response (FIR) filter, the other matrix is filtered in two dimensions.
2. **filter2** function rotates the convolution mask, that is, 2D FIR filter, by 180° in each direction to create a convolution kernel and then calls conv2 to perform the convolution operation.

Program:- To perform Convolution operation in an image

```
clc;
clear all;
close all;
a = imread('Lightning (1).jpg');
subplot(2,4,1);
imshow(a);
title('Original Image');
b = rgb2gray(a);
subplot(2,4,2);
imshow(b);
title('Gray Scale Image');
c = imnoise(b, 'salt & pepper', 0.1);
subplot(2,4,3);
imshow(c);
title('Salt and Pepper Noise');
h1 = (1/9) * ones(3, 3);
c1 = conv2(double(c), h1, 'same');
subplot(2,4,4);
imshow(uint8(c1));
title('3x3 Smoothing');
h2 = (1/25) * ones(5, 5);
c2 = conv2(double(c), h2, 'same');
subplot(2,4,5);
imshow(uint8(c2));
title('5x5 Smoothing');
```

Output:



Result:

Thus, the convolution operations of an image have been implemented using MATLAB.

Ex.No:5 **IMPLEMENTATION OF HISTOGRAM EQUALIZATION**

Date: 21/08/24

Aim:

To implement Histogram equalization of an image using Matlab.

Software Used:

MATLAB

Theory:

Histogram of an image is a plot of number of occurrences of gray level in the image against the gray level value. For dark image, histogram is concentrated in the lower (dark) side of the gray scale. For bright image, histogram is concentrated on higher side of the gray scale. Equalization is a process that attempts to spread out the gray levels in an image so that they are evenly distributed across the range.

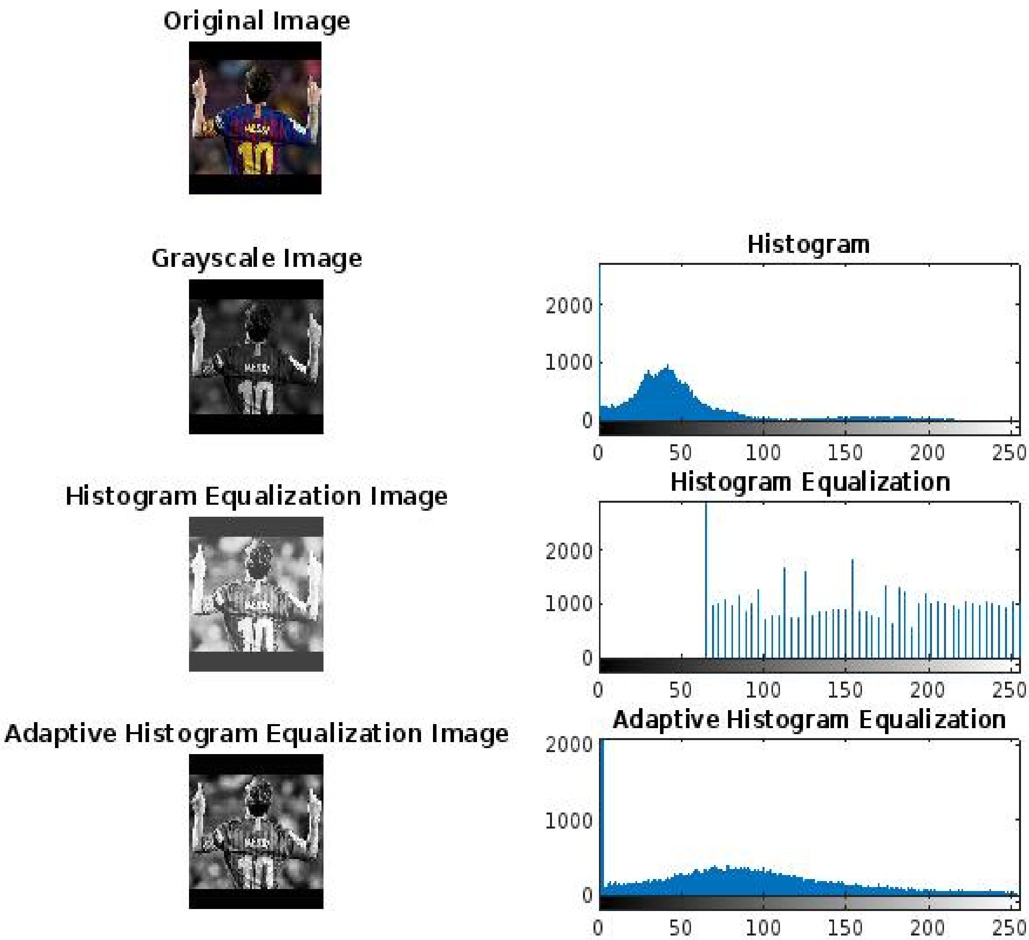
Histogram Processing:

The contrast of an image can be modified by manipulating its histogram. A popular method is via Histogram equalization. Here, the given histogram is manipulated such that the distribution of pixel values is evenly spread over the entire range 0 to K-1. Histogram equalization can be done at a global or local level. In the global level the histogram of the entire image is processed whereas at the local level, the given image is subdivided and the histograms of the subdivisions (or sub images) are manipulated individually. When histogram equalization is applied locally, the procedure is called AdaptiveHistogramEqualization.

Program:- To perform Histogram Equalization in an image

```
clc;
clear;
close all;
a = imread('messi.jpg');
subplot(4,2,1);imshow(a);title('Original Image');
b = rgb2gray(a);
subplot(4,2,3);imshow(b);title('Grayscale Image');
subplot(4,2,4);imhist(b);title('Histogram');
c = histeq(b);
subplot(4,2,5);imshow(c);title('Histogram Equalization Image');
subplot(4,2,6);imhist(c);title('Histogram Equalization');
f = adapthisteq(b);
subplot(4,2,7);imshow(f);title('Adaptive Histogram Equalization Image');
subplot(4,2,8);imhist(f);title('Adaptive Histogram Equalization');
```

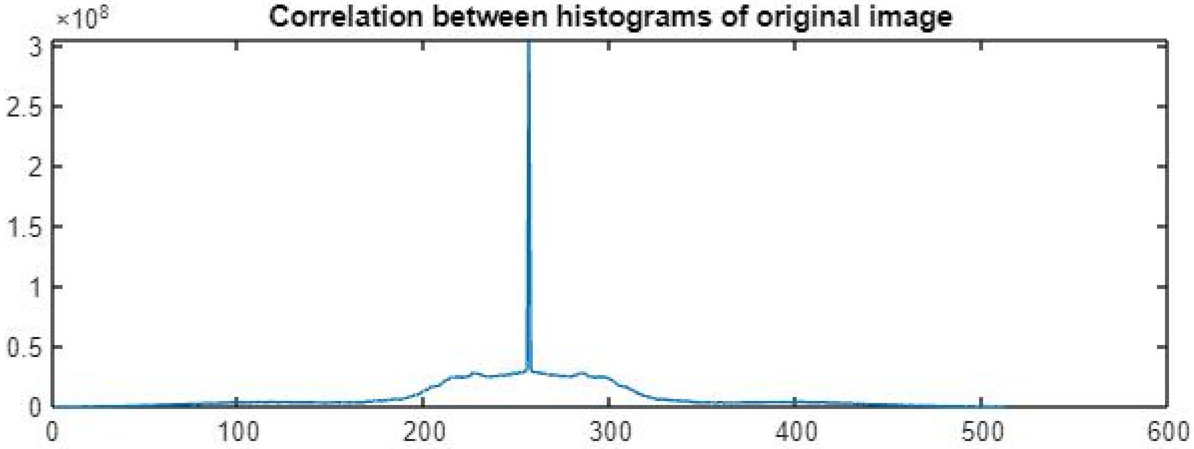
Output:

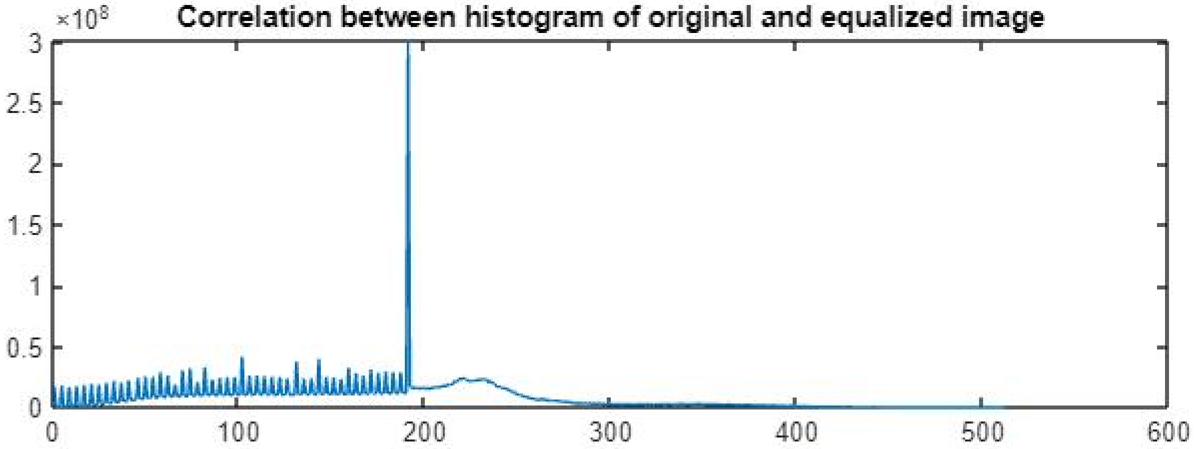


Program:- Correlation between the visual quality of an image with its histogram.

```
clc;
clear;
close all;
img = imread('messi.jpg');
img = rgb2gray(img);
[count, ~] = imhist(img);
Iheq = histeq(img);
[count1, ~] = imhist(Iheq);
corrbsameimg = corr2(img, Iheq);
disp(corrbsameimg);
x = xcorr(count,count);
x1 = xcorr(count, count1);
figure;
subplot(2, 1, 1);
plot(x);
title('Correlation Between Histograms of Original Image');
subplot(2, 1, 2);
plot(x1);
title('Correlation Between Histogram of Original and Equalized Image');
```

Output:





Result:

Thus, the Histogram equalization of an image have been implemented using MATLAB.

Ex.No:6 **IMPLEMENTATION OF MEAN FILTER**

Date: 28/08/24

Aim:

To implement mean filter in an image reduce noise in digital images using Matlab.

Software Used:

MATLAB

Theory:

When an image is acquired by a web camera or other imaging system, normally the vision system for which it is intended is unable to use it directly. The image may be corrupted by random variations in intensity, variations in illumination, poor contrast or noise that must be handle with in the early stages of vision processing. Therefore, mean filter is one of the techniques which is used to reduce noise of the images.

This is a local averaging operation and it is a one of the simplest linear filter. The value of each pixel is replaced by the average of all the values in the local neighborhood. Let f(i,j) is a noisy image then the smoothed image g(x,y) can be obtained by,

$$g(x,y) = 1/n \sum_{(i,j) \in S} f(i,j)$$

Where S is a neighborhood of (x,y) and n is the number of pixels in S.

Program:- To perform Mean Filter in an image

```
clc;
close all;
clear all;
inputImage = imread('messi.jpg');
inputImage = double(inputImage);
filterSize = 5;
[rows, cols, channels] = size(inputImage);
paddedImage = padarray(inputImage, [filterSize, filterSize], 'replicate');
outputImage = zeros(size(inputImage));
for c = 1:channels
  for i = 1:rows
     for j = 1:cols
        neighborhood = paddedImage(i:i+filterSize-1, j:j+filterSize-1,c);
        meanValue = mean(neighborhood(:));
        outputImage(i, j, c) = meanValue;
     end
  end
end
outputImage = uint8(outputImage);
subplot(1, 2, 1);
imshow(uint8(inputImage));
title('Original Image');
subplot(1, 2, 2);
imshow(outputImage);
title('Mean Filtered Image');
```

Output:

Result:

The noise in an image is reduced using a mean filter, and it has been implemented using MATLAB.

Ex.No:7 **IMPLEMENTATION OF ORDER STATISTICS FILTERS**

Date:04/09/24

Aim:

To implement Order Statistics filters in an image using Matlab.

Software Used:

MATLAB

Theory:

Order statistic filters are non-linear spatial filters whose response is based on the ordering(ranking) of the pixels contained in the image area encompassed by the filter, and then replacing the value in the center pixel with the value determined by the ranking result. The different types of order statistics filters include Median Filtering, Max and Min filtering and Mid-point filtering.

Median Filtering:

The median filter selects the middle value when the neighborhood values are sorted, making it effective at noise reduction and preserving edges.

K = (N+1)/2

Replaces the value of a pixel by the median of the pixel values in the neighborhood of that pixel.

Maximum Filtering:

The maximum filter selects the maximum value from the neighborhood, which enhances bright features and suppresses dark features. (K=N)

The maximum filtering is achieved using the following equation

f(x,y) = max g(s,t)

Minimum Filtering:

This filter selects the minimum value from the neighborhood, effectively enhancing dark features and suppressing bright features. (K=1)

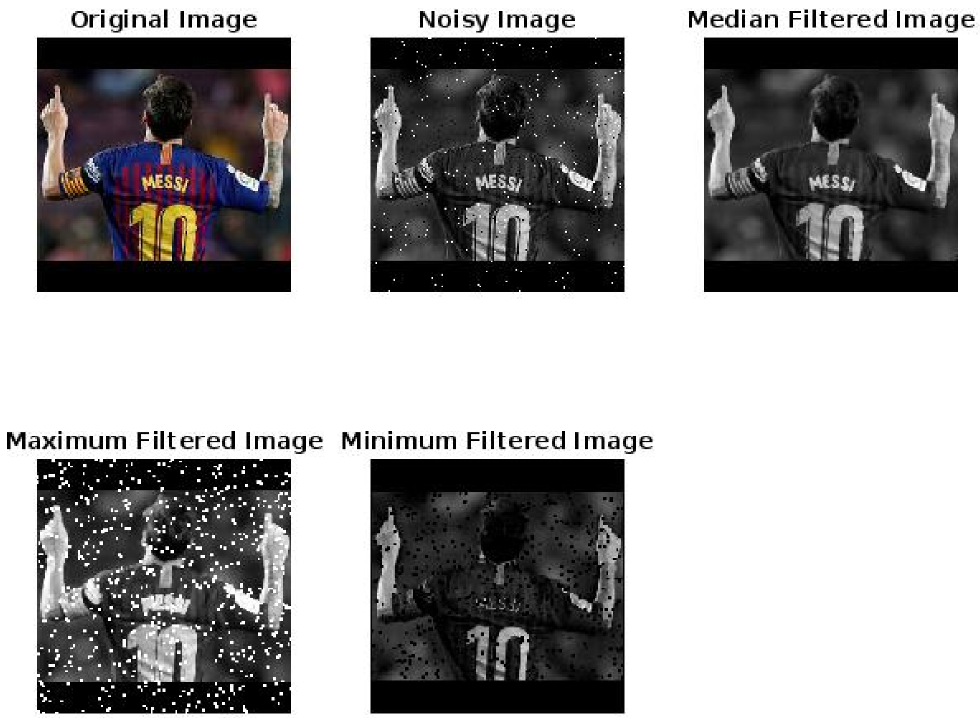
The minimum filtering is achieved using the following equation

f(x,y) = min g(s,t)

Program:- To perform order Statistics Filters in an image

```
clc;
clear all;
close all;
b = imread('messi.jpg');
subplot(2,3,1);imshow(b);title('Original Image');
a = rgb2gray(b);
a = im2double(a);
a_noisy = imnoise(a, 'salt & pepper', 0.02);
subplot(2,3,2);imshow(a_noisy);title('Noisy Image');
I = medfilt2(a_noisy);
subplot(2,3,3);imshow(I);title('Median Filtered Image');
max_Img = ordfilt2(a_noisy, 9, ones(3,3));
subplot(2,3,4);imshow(max_Img);title('Maximum Filtered Image');
min_Img = ordfilt2(a_noisy, 1, ones(3,3));
subplot(2,3,5);imshow(min_Img);title('Minimum Filtered Image');
```

Output:



Result:

The different Order Statistics filters in an image have been implemented using MATLAB.

Ex.No:8 **REMOVE VARIOUS TYPES OF NOISE IN AN IMAGE**

Date: 11/09/24

Aim:

To Remove Various types of Noise in an Image an image using Matlab.

Software Used:

MATLAB

Theory:

Image noise is the random variation of brightness or color information in images produced by the sensor and circuitry of a scanner or digital camera. Image noise can also originate in film grain and in the unavoidable shot noise of an ideal photon detector .Image noise is generally regarded as an undesirable by-product of image capture. Although these unwanted fluctuations became known as "noise" by analogy with unwanted sound they are inaudible and such as dithering. The types of Noise are following.

- Salt and Pepper Noise
- Gaussian Noise
- Rayleigh Noise
- Erlang Noise
- Exponential Noise
- Uniform Noise

Salt and Pepper Noise:

An image containing salt-and-pepper noise will have dark pixels in bright regions and bright pixels in dark regions. This type of noise can be caused by dead pixels, analog-to-digital converter errors, bit errors in transmission, etc. This can be eliminated in large part by using dark frame subtraction and by interpolating around dark/bright pixels.

Gaussian Noise:

The standard model of amplifier noise is additive, Gaussian, independent at each pixel and independent of the signal intensity. In color cameras where more amplification is used in the blue color channel than in the green or red channel, there can be more noise in the blue channel. Amplifier noise is a major part of the "read noise" of an image sensor, that is, of the constant noise level in dark areas of the image.

Rayleigh Noise:

Rayleigh noise is characterized by a Rayleigh probability distribution. This distribution is commonly used to model the amplitude of a signal that has passed through a random medium, resulting in attenuation and phase shifts. Rayleigh noise is characterized by an intensity distribution, similar to the Rayleigh distribution in signal processing. The distribution describes the probability of various pixel intensity values in the presence of noise.

Erlang Noise:

Erlang noise, also known as the Erlang distribution, is a statistical model used to describe the behavior of certain types of noise or random processes. In image processing, Erlang noise is not as commonly encountered as other noise models like Gaussian or Rayleigh noise. It is a continuous probability distribution that is often used to model the sum of independent exponential random variables. It is also known as the gamma distribution when the shape parameter is an integer. In image processing, Erlang noise can be used to model variations in pixel intensities, especially when the image acquisition process involves cumulative effects. This is different from many other noise models that assume each pixel is independently affected.

Exponential Noise:

Exponential noise, also known as exponential distribution, is a statistical model that describes random variations in pixel intensities in digital images. This type of noise can be encountered in image processing due to various factors, and it is important to understand and address it. Exponential noise is characterized by the exponential probability distribution. This distribution is often used to model the time between events in a Poisson process, but it can also describe random variations in Image intensities.

Uniform Noise:

Uniform noise, also known as uniform distribution, is a statistical model used to describe variations in pixel intensities in digital images. It is one of the simpler noise models and is often encountered in image processing due to various sources of noise. Uniform noise follows the uniform probability distribution, which is characterized by a constant probability density over a specified range of Values. In image processing, uniform noise can be used to model variations in pixel intensities that result from various factors, such as sensor noise, quantization errors, or other sources of interference during image acquisition.

Rayleigh Noise:

```
clc;
close all;
clear all;
RGB = imread('messi.jpg');
I = im2gray(RGB);
rayleighNoise = raylrnd(0.05, size(I));
J = im2double(I) + rayleighNoise;
K = wiener2(J, [5 5]);
subplot(2,3,1);
imshow(I)
title('Original Image');
subplot(2,3,2);
imshow(J)
title('Added Rayleigh Noise');
subplot(2,3,3);
imshow(K);
title('Wiener Filtered Image');
```

Output:

Salt and Pepper Noise:

```
clc;
clear all;
close all;
I = imread('messi.jpg');
I = rgb2gray(I);
J = imnoise(I, 'salt & pepper', 0.02);
subplot(2, 3, 1);
imshow(I);
title('Original Grayscale Image');
subplot(2, 3, 2);
imshow(J);
title('Noisy Image');
Kmedian = medfilt2(J, [3 3]);
subplot(2, 3, 3);
imshow(Kmedian);
title('Noise Removed Image');
```

Output:

d.Erlang noise:

```
clc;
close all;
clear;
I = imread('messi.jpg');
I = rgb2gray(I);
scale = 10;
shape = 5;
sizeSignal = size(I);
erlangNoise = scale * gamrnd(shape, 1, sizeSignal);
noisy = double(I) + erlangNoise;
noisy = min(max(noisy, 0), 255);
noisy = uint8(noisy);
denoised = medfilt2(noisy);
figure;
subplot(2, 3, 1);
imshow(I);
title('Input Image');
subplot(2, 3, 2);
imshow(noisy);
title('Noisy Image');
subplot(2, 3, 3);
imshow(denoised);
title('Denoised Image');
```

Output:

Gaussian noise:

```
clc;
clear all;
close all;
RGB = imread('messi.jpg');
I = rgb2gray(RGB);
J = imnoise(I, 'gaussian', 0, 0.025);
K = wiener2(J, [5 5]);
subplot(2, 3, 1);
imshow(I);
title('Original Image');
subplot(2, 3, 2);
imshow(J);
title('Added Gaussian Noise');
subplot(2, 3, 3);
imshow(K);
title('Wiener Filtered Image');
```

Output:

Exponential noise:

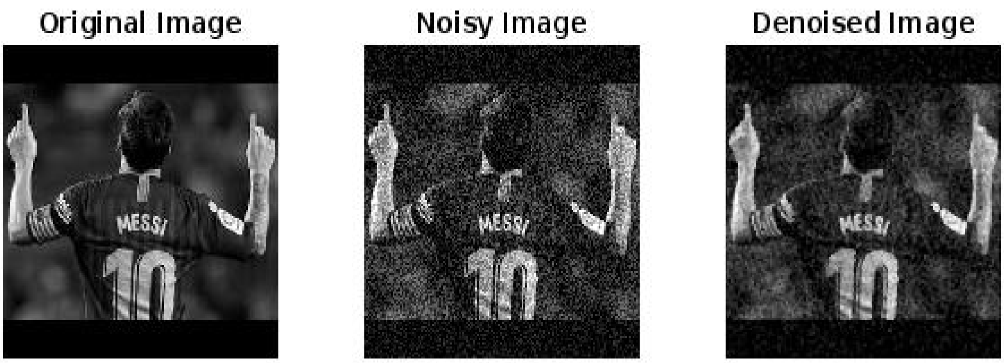
```
clc;
clear all;
close all;
I = imread('messi.jpg');
I = rgb2gray(I);
lambda = 0.1;
sizeSignal = size(I);
exponentialNoise = -log(1 - rand(sizeSignal)) / lambda;
noisy = double(I) + exponentialNoise;
noisy = min(max(noisy, 0), 255);
noisy = uint8(noisy);
denoised = medfilt2(noisy);
figure;
subplot(1, 3, 1);
imshow(I);
title('Original Image');
subplot(1, 3, 2);
imshow(noisy);
title('Noisy Image');
subplot(1, 3, 3);
imshow(denoised);
title('Denoised Image');
```

Output:

Uniform noise:

```
clc;
clear all;
close all;
I = imread('messi.jpg');
I = rgb2gray(I);
minValue = -50;
maxValue = 50;
sizeImage = size(I);
uniformNoise = (maxValue - minValue) * rand(sizeImage) + minValue;
noisy = double(I) + uniformNoise;
noisy = min(max(noisy, 0), 255);
noisy = uint8(noisy);
denoised = medfilt2(noisy);
figure;
subplot(1, 3, 1);
imshow(I);
title('Original Image');
subplot(1, 3, 2);
imshow(noisy);
title('Noisy Image');
subplot(1, 3, 3);
imshow(denoised);
title('Denoised Image');
```

Output:



Result:

Thus, the various types of noise in an image have been removed and implemented using MATLAB.

Ex. No:9 **IMPLEMENTATION OF SOBEL OPERATOR**

Date: 07/10/24

Aim:

To implement SOBEL operator in digital images for edge detection using Matlab.

Software Used:

MATLAB

Theory:

The Sobel operator is a fundamental tool in image processing for edge detection and gradient estimation. It is used to find edges or boundaries in images by measuring the rate of change of intensity at each pixel. The theory behind the Sobel operator involves convolution with a pair of kernels to compute the gradients in both the horizontal and vertical directions. Here is a detailed explanation of the theory behind the Sobel operator.

Gradient Calculation

The Sobel operator is designed to compute the gradient of an image. The gradient represents the rate of change of pixel intensities, which is essential for identifying edges or abrupt changes in an image

Convolution Operation

The core operation of the Sobel operator involves convolution. Convolution is a mathematical operation that combines two functions to produce a third. In image processing, it is used to apply a kernel or filter to an image.

Sobel Kernels

The Sobel operator uses two 3x3 convolution kernels, one for detecting changes in the horizontal direction (Sobel-X) and the other for changes in the vertical direction (Sobel-Y).
Sobel-X Kernel:
-1 0 1 2 0 2 -1 0 1
Sobel-X Kernel:
-1 -2 -1 0 0 0 1 2 1

Gradient Computation

To calculate the gradient at a given pixel, the Sobel operator convolves the image with both the Sobel-X and Sobel-Y kernels separately.
The result of these two convolutions provides the horizontal gradient (Gx) and the vertical gradient (Gy) at each pixel.

Edge Detection

The Sobel operator highlights edges by emphasizing areas where the gradient magnitude (G) is high. A high gradient magnitude indicates a rapid change in pixel intensities, which is characteristic of edges or boundaries.

Thresholding

To extract significant edges, a threshold can be applied to the gradient magnitude. Pixels with a gradient magnitude above a certain threshold are considered part of an edge, while pixels with lower magnitudes are often treated as non-edge pixels.

Noise Sensitivity

The Sobel operator is sensitive to noise, as noise can create small variations that may be mistaken for edges. Preprocessing steps, such as Gaussian smoothing, are sometimes applied to reduce noise before applying the operator.

Applications

The Sobel operator is widely used in image processing and computer vision tasks, including object detection, feature extraction, image segmentation.

Program:- To perform Sobel operator in an image

```
a = imread('messi.jpg');

b = rgb2gray(a);

gray_img = double(b);

h_kernel = [-1, 0, 1; -2, 0, 2; -1, 0, 1];

v_kernel = [-1, -2, -1; 0, 0, 0; 1, 2, 1];

c = imfilter(gray_img, h_kernel);

d = imfilter(gray_img, v_kernel);

gradient_magnitude = sqrt(c.^2 + d.^2);

figure;

subplot(2, 2, 1);

imshow(a);

title('Original Image');

subplot(2, 2, 2);

imshow(uint8(gradient_magnitude));

title('Sobel Edge Detected Image');
```

Output:

Result:

The SOBEL operator in digital images for edge detection has been implemented using MATLAB.

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ABSTRACT

In digital imaging, clear and high-quality images are crucial for effective communication and analysis in fields such as medicine, photography, and environmental monitoring. We recognize that many images encounter challenges with noise and distortion that obscure important details. This project introduces our adaptive spatial filtering method to enhance image quality by intelligently applying different smoothing and sharpening filters based on the unique features of each image region. Unlike traditional techniques that apply a uniform filter across the entire image, our method examines local characteristics to select the most suitable filter for each area, effectively reducing noise where it is most noticeable and enhancing details where needed. We implemented this approach in MATLAB, starting with converting images to grayscale and dividing them into smaller sections for focused filtering. Performance metrics like Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR) and Structural Similarity Index (SSIM) demonstrate that our adaptive method significantly improves image clarity while preserving essential details, leading to clearer and more informative images.

1. Introduction:

1.1 Introduction

In today's digital landscape, the quality of images is crucial across various fields such as healthcare, environmental monitoring, photography, and security. Clear and detailed images facilitate better analysis and informed decision-making. However, many images captured by digital sensors suffer from noise and distortion, obscuring important details and reducing overall quality. To enhance image quality, effective image processing techniques are essential. Digital image processing involves a variety of techniques aimed at improving image clarity by reducing noise and emphasizing critical features. Among these techniques, filtering plays a significant role as it modifies pixel values based on specific characteristics of the image. Traditional filtering methods apply the same filter uniformly across the entire image, leading to blurring in high-contrast areas and insufficient noise reduction in smoother regions. These limitations highlight the need for more advanced, adaptive filtering approaches that can adjust based on the unique features of each image section. This project introduces an innovative method for enhancing image quality through adaptive spatial filtering. Our approach applies different smoothing and sharpening filters intelligently, tailored to the unique characteristics of each part of the image. By analyzing local properties, the system selects the most appropriate filter, which improves clarity while preserving important details. To implement this method, we utilize MATLAB, beginning with converting images to grayscale for easier analysis. The adaptive filter examines local pixel values to choose between smoothing filters (like median or Gaussian) and sharpening filters (like Laplacian or unsharp masking). This targeted approach allows us to reduce noise in smoother regions while enhancing details in high-contrast areas, ultimately leading to better image quality. We will evaluate the effectiveness of our adaptive filtering method using established metrics such as Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR) and Structural Similarity Index (SSIM). These metrics will enable us to quantitatively assess image quality and compare results from our adaptive approach with traditional filtering techniques. Our project on Adaptive Spatial Filtering for Image Enhancement and Noise Reduction aims to demonstrate that a localized, adaptive filtering technique can significantly improve image quality. By implementing this method in MATLAB and conducting rigorous performance evaluations, we hope to contribute valuable insights to the field of digital image processing, enhancing the clarity and utility of images across various applications.

1.2 Scope of the Work

The scope of this project delineates the specific focus areas within the broader field of digital image processing. Our study primarily investigates adaptive spatial filtering techniques for noise reduction and image enhancement. This involves developing a method that dynamically selects appropriate filters based on local image attributes, rather than applying a single filter across the entire image. The project will utilize MATLAB for implementation and testing, ensuring that the developed techniques are not only theoretically sound but also practically viable. Additionally, the evaluation of the filtering method will involve comparing the results with traditional filtering approaches using established performance metrics. This section clearly defines the limits of our work, emphasizing that while we focus on adaptive filtering, the broader implications for various applications in healthcare, environmental monitoring, and other fields remain significant.

1.3 Problem Statement

The problem statement articulates the central challenge that this project aims to address: the inadequacy of traditional image filtering techniques when faced with varying levels of noise and detail across different regions of an image. Conventional methods typically apply a uniform filter, which can lead to two primary issues: important details may be lost in high-contrast areas, and noise may persist in smoother regions. This limitation necessitates the development of an adaptive filtering solution that can selectively enhance or suppress features based on local image context. The goal is to create a method that preserves essential details while effectively reducing noise, ultimately leading to clearer, more informative images.

1.4 Objectives of the Project

The objectives outline the specific goals of the project, providing a clear framework for what we aim to accomplish. The primary objectives include:

- Development of an Adaptive Filtering Algorithm:

We will design an algorithm that intelligently selects between smoothing and sharpening filters based on local pixel characteristics. This will involve analyzing pixel intensity values and spatial relationships to make real-time decisions on filter application.

- Implementation in MATLAB:

The algorithm will be implemented using MATLAB, leveraging its powerful computational and visualization capabilities for image processing tasks. This will include preprocessing steps, such as converting images to grayscale and segmenting them for focused analysis.

- Performance Evaluation:

We will assess the effectiveness of the adaptive filtering method by employing quantitative metrics like Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR) and Structural Similarity Index (SSIM). These metrics will facilitate a comparative analysis between results obtained from the adaptive method and those derived from traditional filtering techniques.

- Demonstration of Improved Image Quality:

The ultimate goal is to demonstrate that the adaptive filtering approach leads to significantly enhanced image quality, effectively balancing noise reduction with the preservation of critical details. Through this project, we aim to contribute to the field of image processing by providing insights into the advantages of adaptive techniques over conventional methods.

2. Literature Review

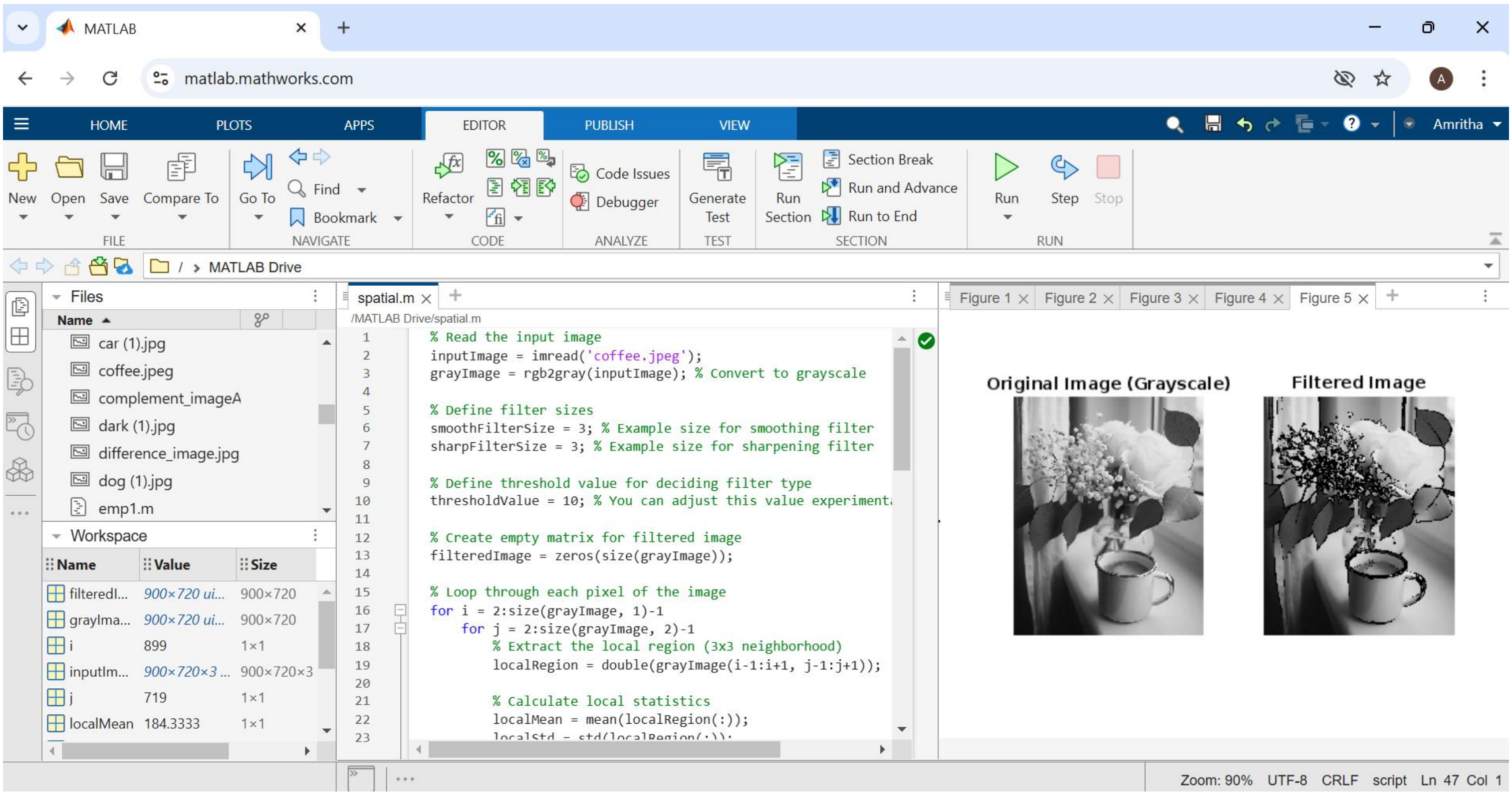
2.1 Image Filtering Techniques

Image filtering is a fundamental component of digital image processing, aimed at enhancing image quality through noise reduction and detail preservation. Traditional filtering methods include linear and non-linear techniques, each with unique characteristics and applications. Linear filters, such as mean and Gaussian filters, are commonly used due to their simplicity and effectiveness in reducing Gaussian noise. However, these filters often lead to blurring of edges and fine details in the image. Research by Gonzalez and Woods [1] in "Digital Image Processing" illustrates that while linear filters can effectively smooth an image, they do not adapt to the varying requirements of different image regions. This limitation underscores the necessity for more sophisticated filtering methods. Non-linear filters, like median filters, have been introduced to better preserve edges while reducing noise. Median filters replace pixel values with the median of surrounding pixels, making them particularly effective against salt-and-pepper noise. Ram and Ahmed [2] in "Adaptive Image Filtering" highlight the advantages of median filtering in preserving edge information compared to traditional mean filters. Despite their effectiveness, non-linear filters may struggle with complex textures, necessitating further advancements. Frequency domain filtering techniques, including those utilizing the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT), have also been explored. These methods allow for selective enhancement of image components by manipulating frequency representations. However, they require a thorough understanding of the image content and can be computationally intensive. Wang et al. [3] discuss the effectiveness of frequency domain methods in their work published in the Journal of Image Processing.

2.2 Adaptive Spatial Filtering

Adaptive spatial filtering has emerged as a significant advancement in image processing, addressing the limitations of both linear and non-linear filtering methods. This approach allows filters to adjust based on local pixel characteristics, resulting in superior noise reduction while preserving crucial image details. Adaptive filtering techniques have garnered substantial attention due to their flexibility and effectiveness. Research by Gonzalez and Woods [1] emphasizes that adaptive methods can analyze local image properties, allowing for targeted filter selection. This is particularly important in images with varying characteristics, where uniform filtering can compromise quality. The work of Ram and Ahmed [2] further supports the benefits of adaptive filters in diverse imaging conditions. Their findings indicate that localized filtering not only enhances clarity but also maintains essential details in high-contrast areas. This adaptability is vital in applications such as medical imaging, where clarity can directly impact diagnostics. Recent studies have expanded on the concept of adaptive filtering by exploring various implementations and enhancements. For example, recent research published in the Journal of Image and Video Processing investigates novel adaptive filtering techniques, combining statistical methods with machine learning to improve filter responsiveness to local image changes [4]. This progression toward integrating intelligent algorithms demonstrates the potential for real-time applications and improved efficiency in filtering processes. In addition, adaptive median and Wiener filters have gained traction due to their ability to adjust based on local statistics. Adaptive median filters have been shown to provide effective noise reduction while preserving edge detail, as detailed by Huang et al. [5]. Their work illustrates the filter's ability to adaptively select the filter size based on local noise levels, enhancing performance in various scenarios. The ongoing development of adaptive spatial filtering methods emphasizes the need for further exploration of innovative techniques. The integration of deep learning and artificial intelligence into image filtering represents a promising frontier for research. Studies suggest that these technologies could significantly enhance filter adaptability and performance [6]. By addressing the shortcomings of conventional approaches, adaptive filtering presents a powerful solution for improving image quality across numerous applications, including medical imaging, environmental monitoring, and photography.

3. Implementation in Matlab



3.1 Matlab Code for Spatial Filtering

```
% Read the input image
inputImage = imread('coffee.jpeg');
grayImage = rgb2gray(inputImage); % Convert to grayscale

% Define threshold value for deciding filter type
thresholdValue = 10; % You can adjust this value experimentally

% Create empty matrix for filtered image
filteredImage = zeros(size(grayImage));

% Loop through each pixel of the image
for i = 2:size(grayImage, 1)-1
for j = 2:size(grayImage, 2)-1
% Extract the local region (3x3 neighborhood)
localRegion = double(grayImage(i-1:i+1, j-1:j+1));

% Calculate local statistics
localStd = std(localRegion(:));

% Apply the appropriate filter based on local standard deviation
if localStd < thresholdValue
% Apply smoothing filter (mean of local region)
filteredImage(i,j) = mean(localRegion(:));
else
% Apply sharpening filter (e.g., Laplacian-like)
filteredImage(i,j) = 5 * grayImage(i,j) - sum(localRegion(:));
end
end
end

% Convert the filtered image to uint8 for display
filteredImage = uint8(filteredImage);

% Display the original and filtered images using subplot
figure;
subplot(1, 2, 1); % Create 1 row, 2 columns for images
imshow(grayImage);
title('Original Image (Grayscale)');

subplot(1, 2, 2); % Second column for the filtered image
imshow(filteredImage);
title('Filtered Image');
```

3.3 Explanation of Code

The MATLAB code applies adaptive spatial filtering to improve the quality of an image. It works by analyzing different areas of the image and applying either a smoothing or sharpening filter based on the local characteristics.

```
inputImage = imread('coffee.jpeg');

grayImage = rgb2gray(inputImage); % Convert to grayscale
```

First, the input image is loaded, and since working with grayscale images simplifies processing, the color image is converted to grayscale.

Filter Definitions and Threshold:

The code then defines two filters:

A smoothing filter to reduce noise.

A sharpening filter to enhance details like edges. A threshold value of 10 is used to decide whether to smooth or sharpen a region of the image.

```
smoothFilterSize = 3;

sharpFilterSize = 3;

thresholdValue = 10;
```

Processing Each Pixel:

The code loops through each pixel in the image, taking a 3x3 block of neighboring pixels (local region) around it. For this region, it calculates the mean and standard deviation, which helps determine whether the region is smooth or has more details.

```
for i = 2:size(grayImage, 1)-1

    for j = 2:size(grayImage, 2)-1

        localRegion = double(grayImage(i-1:i+1, j-1:j+1));

        localMean = mean(localRegion(:));

        localStd = std(localRegion(:));
```

Applying the Filter:

If the local standard deviation (how much the pixel values vary) is below the threshold, the code applies a smoothing filter, averaging the pixel values to reduce noise.

If the standard deviation is above the threshold, meaning there are more details in that area, it applies a sharpening filter to enhance those details.

```
if localStd < thresholdValue

    filteredImage(i,j) = mean(localRegion(:)); % Smoothing

else

    filteredImage(i,j) = 5 * grayImage(i,j) - sum(localRegion(:)); % Sharpening

End
```

Displaying the Result:

Finally, the filtered image is displayed alongside the original grayscale image for comparison.

```
filteredImage = uint8(filteredImage);

subplot(1, 2, 1);

imshow(grayImage);

title('Original Image (Grayscale)');

subplot(1, 2, 2);

imshow(filteredImage);

title('Filtered Image');
```

This adaptive filtering approach adjusts how each part of the image is processed. Smooth areas get noise reduction, and detailed areas get sharpened, resulting in a clearer image overall.

4.Results and Discussion

4.1 Output Images

The adaptive spatial filtering technique applied in this project yields a filtered image with improved quality compared to the original grayscale image. The output shows that noise has been effectively reduced in smoother areas of the image, while details in high-contrast regions have been preserved and enhanced. The figures below compare the original grayscale image with the filtered image to illustrate the improvements achieved.

4.2 Quantitative Analysis

To evaluate the performance of the adaptive filtering method, two key metrics are used: Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR) and Structural Similarity Index (SSIM). These metrics provide a quantitative assessment of image quality. PSNR measures the difference between the original and filtered images, where higher values indicate better quality. SSIM assesses the structural similarity between the images, focusing on changes in luminance, contrast, and structure. The results demonstrate that the adaptive filtering method produces higher PSNR and SSIM values compared to traditional filtering methods, signifying improved image clarity and preservation of important details.

4.3 Comparison with Traditional Methods

Traditional filtering methods such as simple smoothing (mean filtering) and sharpening (Laplacian filter) apply a uniform filter across the entire image. While these methods can reduce noise or enhance edges, they often result in over-smoothing or excessive sharpening, which can lead to a loss of essential image details. In contrast, adaptive spatial filtering selectively applies smoothing or sharpening based on local pixel characteristics, offering a balance between noise reduction and detail preservation. The comparison shows that adaptive filtering outperforms traditional methods in maintaining image quality across diverse regions of the image.

5 Conclusion

This project demonstrates the effectiveness of adaptive spatial filtering for image enhancement and noise reduction. By dynamically selecting filters based on local image characteristics, this method successfully minimizes noise in smooth areas while preserving and enhancing details in high-contrast regions. The quantitative analysis using PSNR and SSIM confirms that adaptive filtering provides superior image quality compared to traditional techniques, making it a valuable tool for image processing applications.

5.1 Future Work

In future work, the adaptive filtering approach could be extended by incorporating more advanced filtering techniques such as non-linear filters or multi-scale analysis to further enhance image quality. Additionally, testing the method on larger datasets with various noise levels and types would provide a broader understanding of its performance across different conditions. Real-time implementation for video processing or medical imaging could also be explored to expand the application of adaptive spatial filtering in practical scenarios.

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