# Lecture 4-1 Intensity Transform

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#### Definition

$$h(r_k) = n_k$$

Where  $r_k$ : the kth intensity value in the level range of [0, L-1]

 $n_k$ : the number of pixels in the image with intensity  $r_k$ 

#### Normalized Histogram (归一化直方图)

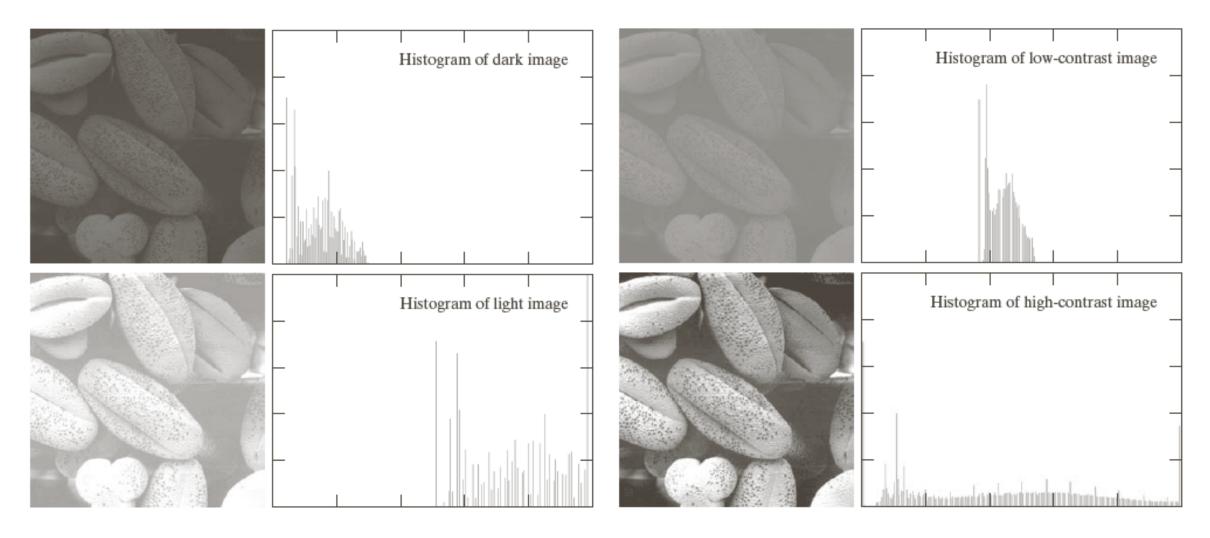
$$p(r_k) = \frac{n_k}{MN}$$

Where  $p(r_k)$ : the probability of occurrence of intensity  $r_k$  in an image

M,N: the row and column dimensions of the image



# **Basic Image Type**





## **Properties**

#### The histogram of an image

- describe the number or probability of intensity, NO location (spatial) information
- > can be same as other images

$$> \sum_{0}^{L-1} n_k = M \cdot N$$
 or  $\sum_{0}^{1} p(r_k) = 1$ 

➤ If Region C=A∪B, A and B are disjoint,  $H_C = H_A + H_B$ 



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  - Operate on single pixels of an image point processing
  - Contrast manipulation and image thresholding (对比度和阈值处理)
- > Histogram Processing
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## **Intensity Transformation**

> Simplest image processing techniques

$$s = T(r)$$

- > Types of Intensity Transformation
  - Image Negatives (图像反转)
  - Log Transformation (对数变换)
  - Power-law (gamma) Transformation (幂律/伽马变换)
  - Piecewise-Linear Transformation (分段线性变换)



# **Image Negatives**

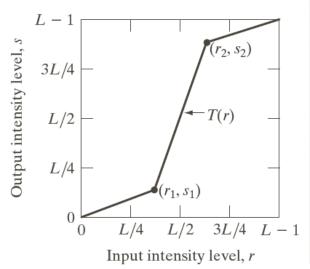
$$s = T(r) = L - 1 - r$$

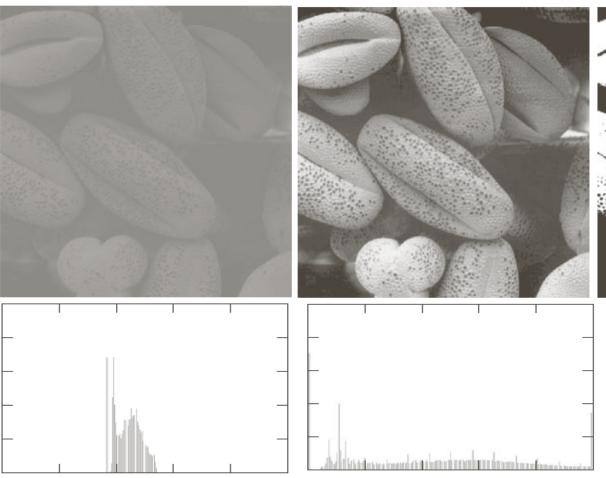






# **Contrast Stretching**





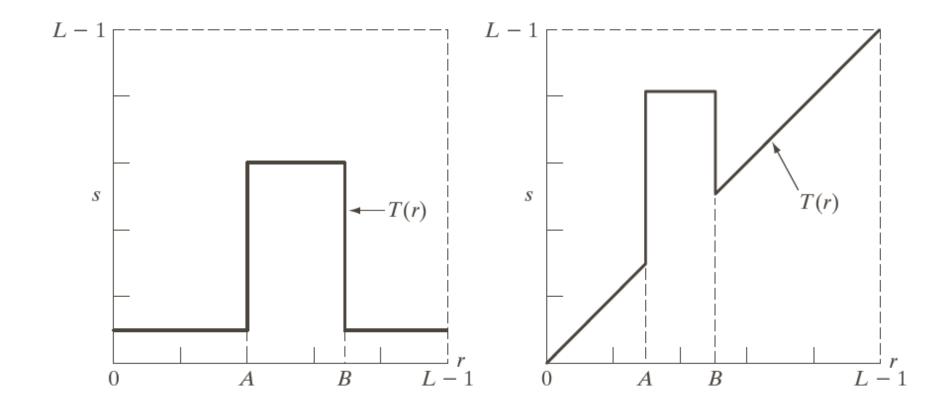


$$r_1 = r_2$$
,  $s_1 = 0$ ,  $s_2 = L-1$ 



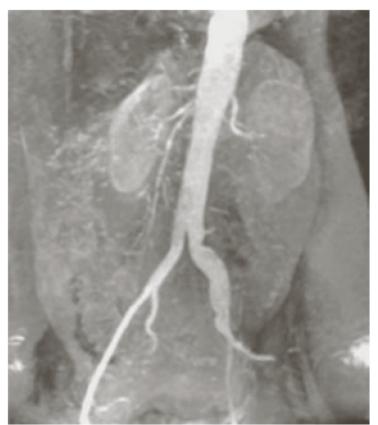
# Intensity-level slicing

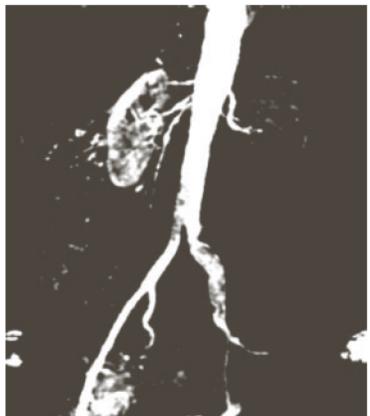
• What's the function of the transform s = T(r) in the figures below?





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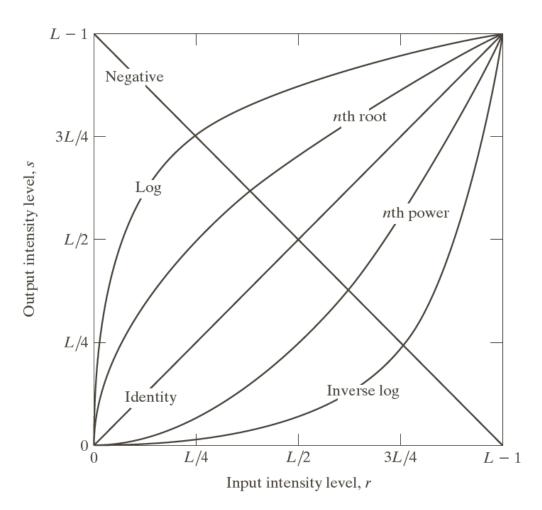
## Log Transformation

➤ Log Transformation (对数变换)

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

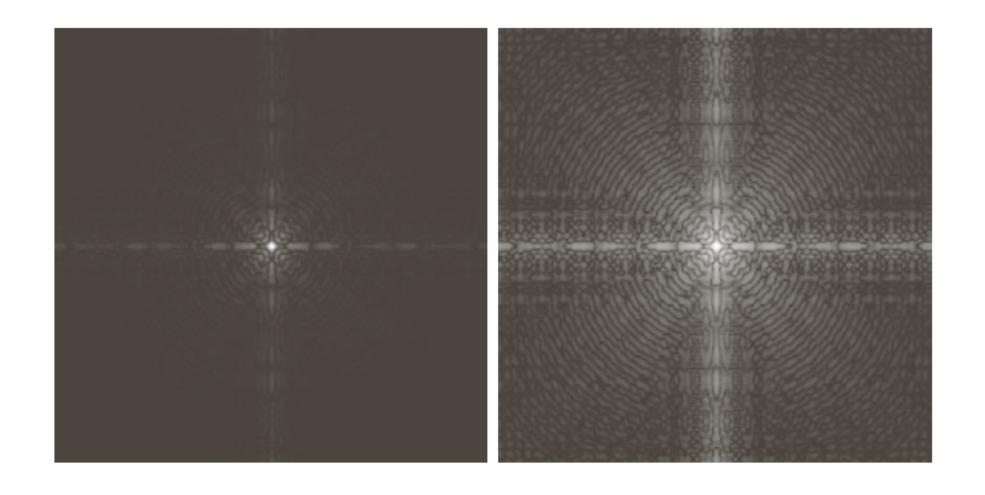
➤ Inverse Log Transformation (反对数变换)

$$s = c \cdot 2^r - 1$$





# Fourier Spectrum





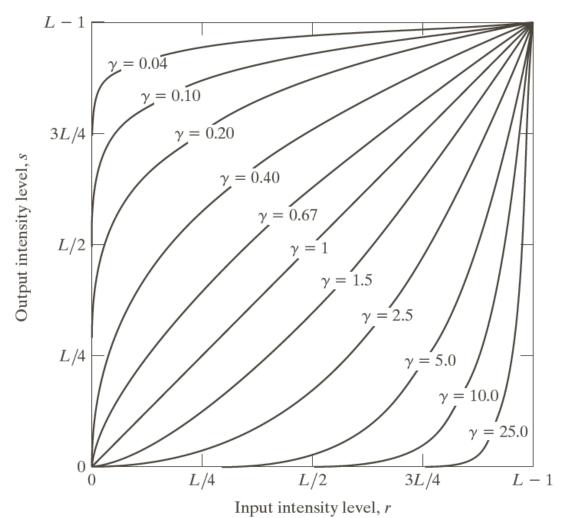
#### **Gamma Transformation**

➤ Gamma Transformation (伽马变换)

$$s = c \cdot r^{\gamma}$$

or

$$s = c \cdot (r + \varepsilon)^{\gamma}$$





## **Gamma Transformation**





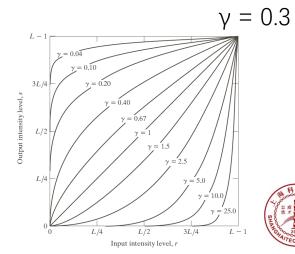




Fractured spine

y = 0.6

y = 0.4





## **Gamma Transformation**









Aerial image

y = 3.0

y = 4.0

L-1  $\gamma=0.04$   $\gamma=0.40$   $\gamma=0.67$   $\gamma=1.5$   $\gamma=1.00$   $\gamma=10.0$   $\gamma=25.0$   $\gamma=25.0$   $\gamma=10.0$ Input intensity level, r

y = 5.0



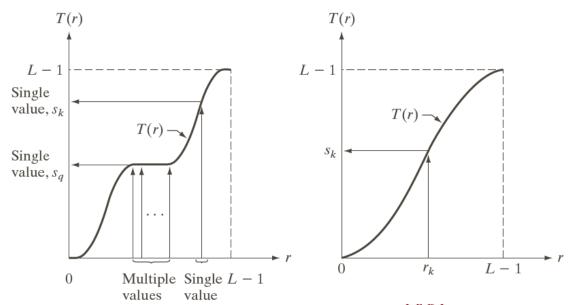
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# Basis of Histogram Processing

- $\triangleright$  Given intensity transformation s = T(r), where T(r)
  - T(r) is strictly monotonically increasing function (严格单调递增函数,  $T(r_2) > T(r_1)$  if  $r_2 > r_1$ )in the interval  $0 \le r \le L-1$
  - $0 \le T(r) \le L 1$  for  $0 \le r \le L 1$
- ightharpoonup The inverse transform  $r = T^{-1}(s)$



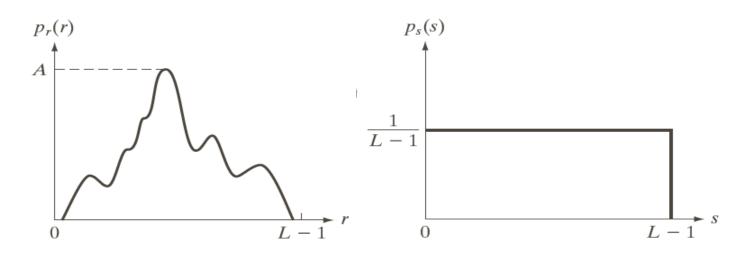


## Histogram Equalization

- ➤ Uniform Probability density function :  $p_s(s) = \frac{1}{L-1}$
- $\succ$  The probability density function (PDF) of s is

$$p_s(s) = p_r(r) \cdot \frac{dr}{ds} \Longrightarrow p_r(r) \cdot \frac{dr}{ds} = \frac{1}{L-1} \Longrightarrow (L-1)p_r(r) \cdot dr = ds$$

> Transformation function :  $s = T(r) = (L-1) \int_0^r p_r(w) dw$ 





## Complementary prove

$$p_s(s) = p_r(r) \cdot \frac{dr}{ds}$$

 $\triangleright$  Since S = T(r) is strictly monotonically increasing function

 $\implies$  We have s = T(r), v = T(w), if v < s then we have  $v < s \iff w < r$ 

$$\Rightarrow P(v < s) = P(w < r)$$

$$\Longrightarrow (\int_{-\infty}^{s} P_{s}(v)dv)' = (\int_{-\infty}^{r} P_{r}(w)dw)'$$

$$\implies P_s(s)ds = P_r(r)dr$$

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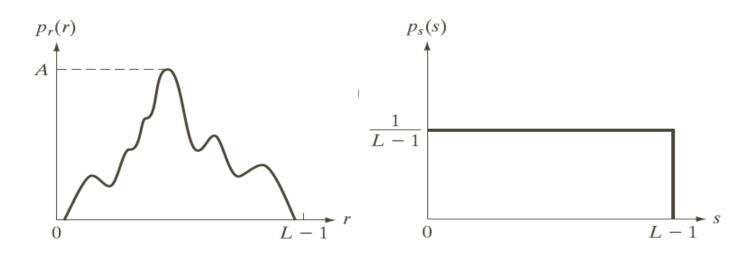
- 1) If f(x) is continuous on [a,b], then  $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t)dt$  is differentiable, and F'(x) = f(x).
- 2) If f(x) is continuous on [a,b], and  $\varphi(x)$  is differentiable, then  $(\int_{a}^{\varphi(x)} f(t)dt)' = f[\varphi(x)]\varphi'(x).$

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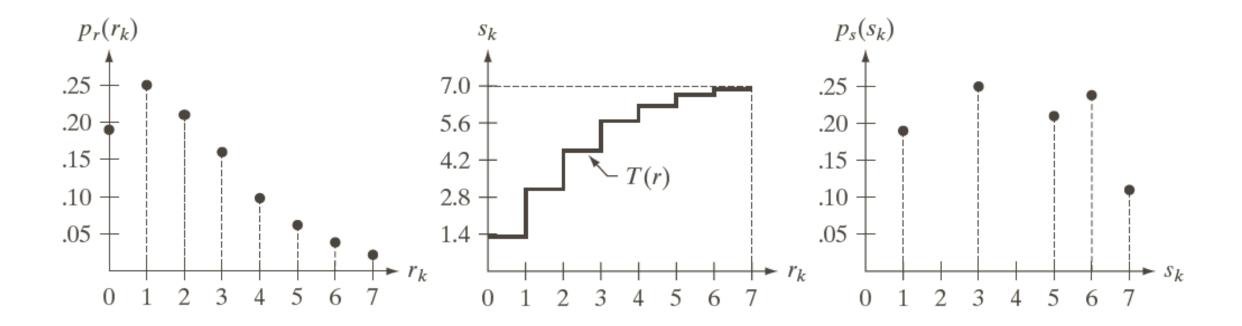
# Histogram Equalization

$$s = T(r) = (L-1) \int_0^r p_r(w) dw = (L-1) \sum_{j=0}^k p_r(r_j) = (L-1) \sum_{j=0}^k \frac{n_j}{MN} = \frac{L-1}{MN} \sum_{j=0}^k n_j k$$
$$= 1, 2, \dots, L-1$$

r <sub>k</sub>	n <sub>k</sub>	p <sub>r</sub> (r <sub>k</sub> )	S <sub>k</sub>		S <sub>k</sub>	p <sub>s</sub> (s <sub>k</sub> )
0	790	0.19	1.33	1	0	0
1	1023	0.25	3.08	3	1	0.19
2	850	0.21	4.55	5	2	0
3	656	0.16	5.67	6	3	0.25
4	329	0.08	6.23	6	4	0
5	245	0.06	6.65	7	5	0.21
6	122	0.03	6.86	7	6	0.24
7	81	0.02	7.00	7	7	0.11

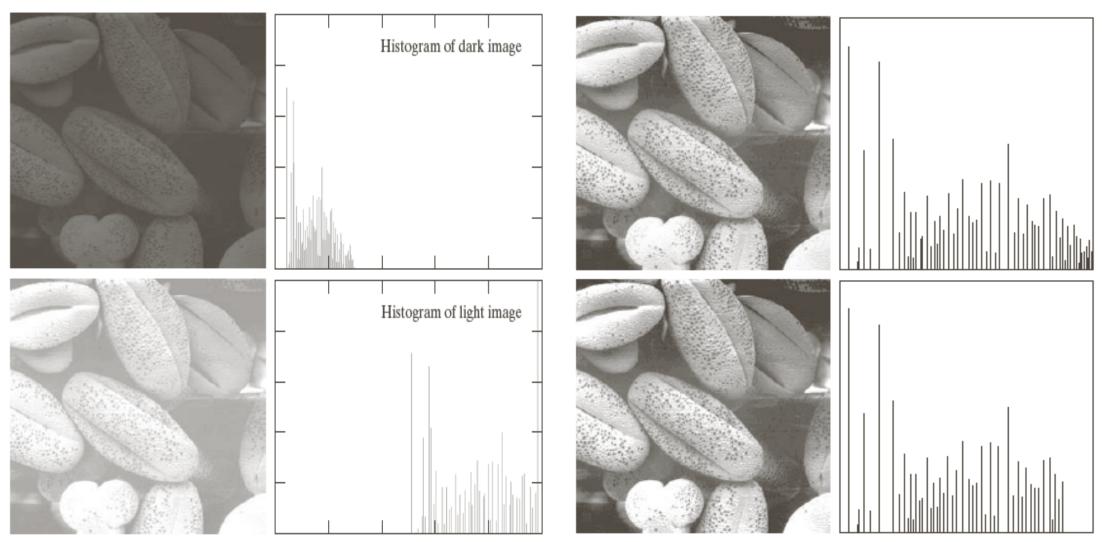


# Example



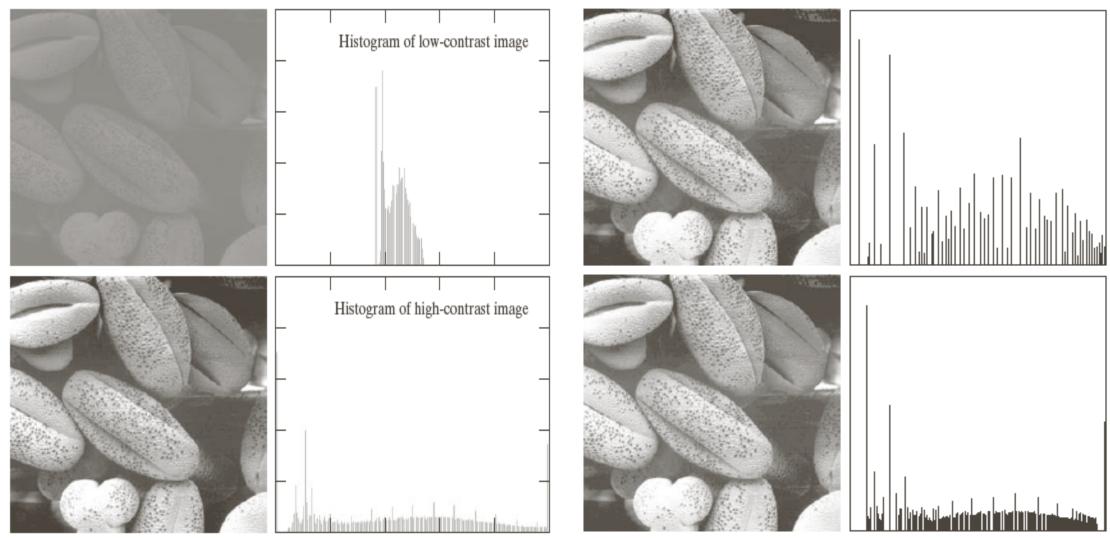


# Example



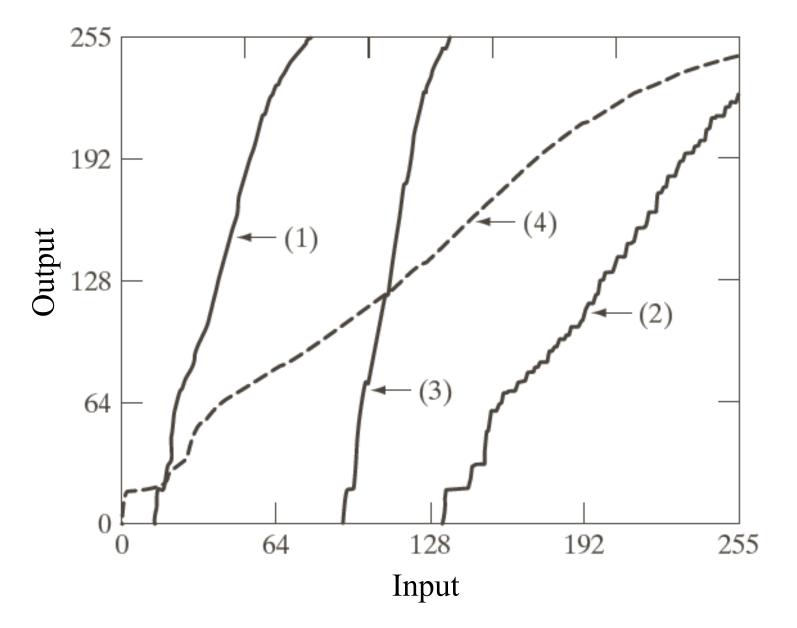


# Example





## **Transformation Function**





## Histogram Matching

#### Generate a processed image with a specified histogram

For input : 
$$s = T(r) = (L - 1) \int_0^r p_r(w) dw$$

For output : 
$$G(z) = (L-1) \int_0^z p_z(t) dt = s$$

Therefore 
$$z = G^{-1}(s) = G^{-1}[T(r)]$$

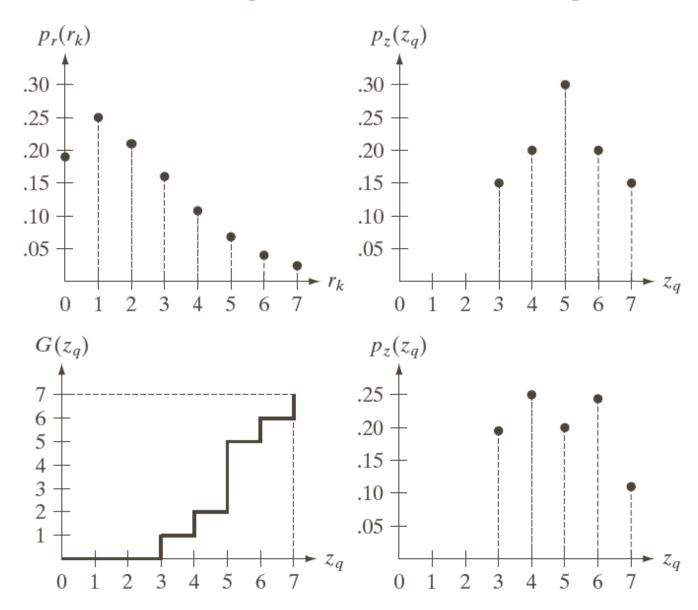


# Histogram Matching

$\mathbf{r}_{\mathrm{k}}$	$p(r_k)$	$s_k = T(r_k)$	$\mathbf{Z}_{ ext{q}}$	$p(z_q)$	$\mathbf{s}_{\mathbf{k}}$ $=\mathbf{G}\left(\mathbf{z}_{\mathbf{q}}\right)$	$s_k \rightarrow z_k$	$r_k \rightarrow z_k$	$\mathbf{z}_{\mathrm{k}}$	p(z <sub>k</sub> )
0	0. 19	1	0	0	0	<b>0→</b> 0, 1, 2	<b>0→</b> 3	0	0
1	0.25	3	1	0	0	1→3	1→4	1	0
2	0.21	5	2	0	0	<b>2→</b> 4	2 <b>→</b> 5	2	0
3	0.16	6	3	0. 15	1		<b>3→</b> 6	3	0. 19
4	0.08	6	4	0.20	2		<b>4→</b> 6	4	0. 25
5	0.06	7	5	0.30	5	5 <b>→</b> 5	5 <b>→</b> 7	5	0.21
6	0.03	7	6	0.20	6	6→6	6 <b>→</b> 7	6	0.24
7	0.02	7	7	0. 15	7	7→7	7 <b>→</b> 7	7	0.11



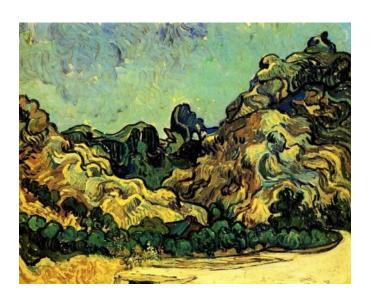
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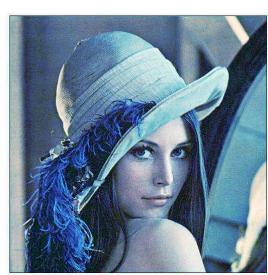
# Histogram Matching Application











## Take home message

- ➤ 1. Histogram describes intensity property of image, NO location (spatial) information.
- > 2. Simplest image processing technique- intensity transform.

$$s = T(r)$$

- > 3. The main purpose of intensity transform is to modify image histogram, to make the image contrast looks more comfortable.
- ➤ 4. Common intensity transform: contrast stretching, log, gamma, histogram equalization, histogram matching.

