

5.1 Introduction

- Move a **mask**
 - ✓ A rectangle (usually with sides of odd length) or other shape over the given image

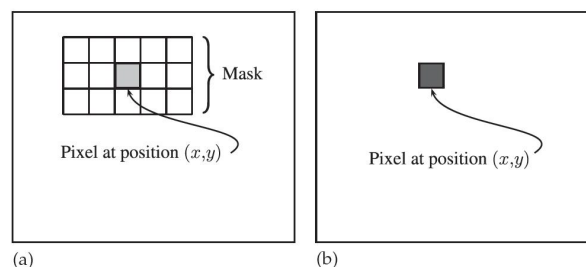


FIGURE 5.1 Using a spatial mask on an image. (a) Original image. (b) Image after filtering.

5.1 Introduction

- Mask values

$m(-1, -2)$	$m(-1, -1)$	$m(-1, 0)$	$m(-1, 1)$	$m(-1, 2)$
$m(0, -2)$	$m(0, -1)$	$m(0, 0)$	$m(0, 1)$	$m(0, 2)$
$m(1, -2)$	$m(1, -1)$	$m(1, 0)$	$m(1, 1)$	$m(1, 2)$

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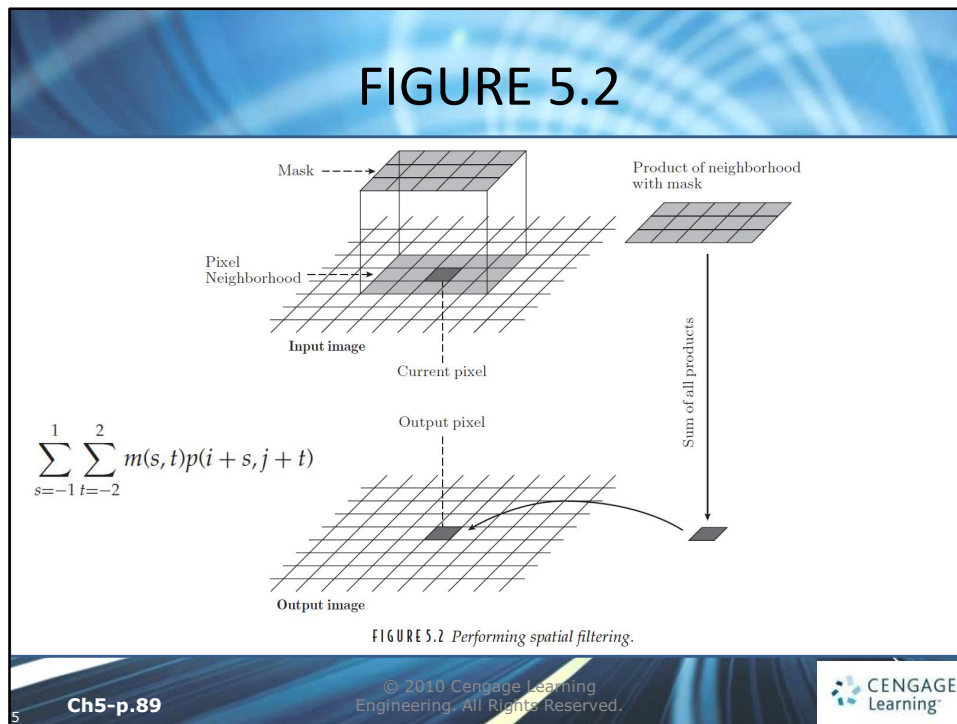
- Corresponding pixel values

$p(i-1, j-2)$	$p(i-1, j-1)$	$p(i-1, j)$	$p(i-1, j+1)$	$p(i-1, j+2)$
$p(i, j-2)$	$p(i, j-1)$	$p(i, j)$	$p(i, j+1)$	$p(i, j+2)$
$p(i+1, j-2)$	$p(i+1, j-1)$	$p(i+1, j)$	$p(i+1, j+1)$	$p(i+1, j+2)$

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5.1 Introduction

- Allied to spatial filtering is spatial **convolution**
 - ✓ The filter must be rotated by 180° before multiplying and adding

$$\sum_{s=-1}^1 \sum_{t=-2}^2 m(-s, -t)p(i+s, j+t)$$

$$\sum_{s=-1}^1 \sum_{t=-2}^2 m(s, t)p(i-s, j-t)$$

5.1 Introduction

- **EXAMPLE** One important linear filter is to use a 3×3 mask and take the average of all nine values within the mask

a	b	c
d	e	f
g	h	i

 $\rightarrow \frac{1}{9}(a + b + c + d + e + f + g + h + i)$

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5.1 Introduction

```
>> x=uint8(10*magic(5))
```

```
x =
```

170	240	10	80	150
230	50	70	140	160
40	60	130	200	220
100	120	190	210	30
110	180	250	20	90

```
>> mean2(x(1:3,2:4))
```

```
ans =
```

```
108.8889
```

The result of filtering x with 3×3 averaging filter

111.1111	108.8889	128.8889
110.0000	130.0000	150.0000
131.1111	151.1111	148.8889

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5.2 Notation

- It is convenient to describe a linear filter simply in terms of the coefficients of all the gray values of pixels within the mask

✓ The averaging filter

$$\frac{1}{9}a + \frac{1}{9}b + \frac{1}{9}c + \frac{1}{9}d + \frac{1}{9}e + \frac{1}{9}f + \frac{1}{9}g + \frac{1}{9}h + \frac{1}{9}i$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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5.2 Notation

✓ **EXAMPLE** The filter

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

would operate on gray values as

a	b	c
d	e	f
g	h	i

 $\rightarrow a - 2b + c - 2d + 4e - 2f + g - 2h + i$

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5.2.1 Edges of the Image

- What happens at the edge of the image, where the mask partly falls outside the image?

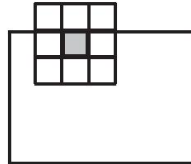


FIGURE 5.3 A mask at the edge of an image.

- There are a number of different approaches to dealing with this problem

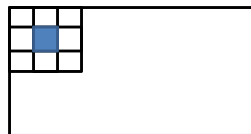
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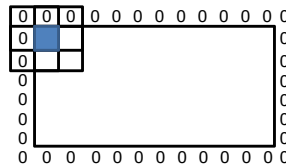
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5.2.1 Edges of the Image

- **Ignore the edges**



- **Pad with zeros**



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5.2.1 Edges of the Image

- **Mirroring**

2	2	3	4	5	4	3	2	1	2	3	4	4
2	2	3	4	5	4	3	2	1	2	3	4	4
3	3											3
4	4											4
5	5											5
6	6											6
7	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	2	3	4	5	5
7	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	2	3	4	5	5

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5.3 Filtering in MATLAB

- `filter2` function

```
filter2(filter, image, shape)
```

the result is a matrix of data type double!!

- `shape` is optional; it describes the method for dealing with the edges

- ✓ `'same'` –**pad with zeros**

- ✓ `'valid'` –**ignore the edges**

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5.3 Filtering in MATLAB

```
>> a=ones(3,3)/9
```

```
a =
```

```
    0.1111    0.1111    0.1111
    0.1111    0.1111    0.1111
    0.1111    0.1111    0.1111
```

```
>> filter2(a,x,'same')
```

```
ans =
```

```
    76.6667    85.5556    65.5556    67.7778    58.8889
    87.7778   111.1111   108.8889   128.8889   105.5556
    66.6667   110.0000   130.0000   150.0000   106.6667
    67.7778   131.1111   151.1111   148.8889    85.5556
    56.6667   105.5556   107.7778    87.7778    38.8889
```

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5.3 Filtering in MATLAB

```
>> filter2(a,x,'valid')
```

```
ans =
```

```
   111.1111   108.8889   128.8889
   110.0000   130.0000   150.0000
   131.1111   151.1111   148.8889
```

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5.3 Filtering in MATLAB

- The result of 'same' may also be obtained by padding with zeros and using 'valid' :

```
>> x2=zeros(7,7);
>> x2(2:6,2:6)=x

x2 =

     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
     0    170    240     10     80    150     0
     0    230     50     70    140    160     0
     0     40     60    130    200    220     0
     0    100    120    190    210     30     0
     0    110    180    250     20     90     0
     0     0     0     0     0     0     0

>> filter2(a,x2,'valid')
```

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5.3 Filtering in MATLAB

- `filter2(filter,image,'full')` returns a result larger than the original
- It does this by padding with zero and applying the filter at all places on and around the image where the mask intersects the image matrix

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5.3 Filtering in MATLAB

```
>> filter2(a,x,'full')
```

```
ans =
```

18.8889	45.5556	46.6667	36.6667	26.6667	25.5556	16.6667
44.4444	76.6667	85.5556	65.5556	67.7778	58.8889	34.4444
48.8889	87.7778	111.1111	108.8889	128.8889	105.5556	58.8889
41.1111	66.6667	110.0000	130.0000	150.0000	106.6667	45.5556
27.7778	67.7778	131.1111	151.1111	148.8889	85.5556	37.7778
23.3333	56.6667	105.5556	107.7778	87.7778	38.8889	13.3333
12.2222	32.2222	60.0000	50.0000	40.0000	12.2222	10.0000

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5.3 Filtering in MATLAB

- `filter2` provides no mirroring option
- The mirroring approach can be realized by placing the following codes before `filter2` (`filter,image,'valid'`)

```
m_x=[x(wr:-1:1,:); x; x(end:-1:end-(wr-1), :)];  
m_x=[m_x(:, wc:-1:1), m_x, m_x(:, end:-1:end-(wc-1))];
```

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5.3 Filtering in MATLAB

- Where matrix x is extended to m_x , w_r/w_c is defined as one half total column/row number of the mask (chopping the decimal)

```
>> filter2(a,m_x,'valid')
ans=
 185.5556  132.2222  102.2222   94.4444  135.5556
 136.6667  111.1111  108.8889  128.8889  164.4444
 107.7778  110.0000  130.0000  150.0000  152.2222
   95.5556  131.1111  151.1111  148.8889  123.3333
 124.4444  165.5556  157.7778  127.7778   74.4444
```

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5.3 Filtering in MATLAB

- `fspecial` function
- ✓ `h = fspecial(type, parameters)`

```
>> c=imread('cameraman.tif');
>> f1=fspecial('average');
>> cf1=filter2(f1,c);
```

```
>>imshow(uint8(cf1))
```

or

```
>>imshow(cf1/255)
```



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FIGURE 5.4



FIGURE 5.4 Average filtering. (a) Original image. (b) Average filtering. (c) Using a 9×9 filter. (d) Using a 25×25 filter. (e) Using a 25×25 filter with *Mirroring*.

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5.4 Frequencies: Low- and High-Pass Filters

- Frequencies of an image are a measure of the amount by which gray values change with distance

✓ **high-pass filter**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

✓ **low-pass filter**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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5.4 Frequencies: Low- and High-Pass Filters

```
>> f=fspecial('laplacian')

f =

    0.1667    0.6667    0.1667
    0.6667   -3.3333    0.6667
    0.1667    0.6667    0.1667

>> cf=filter2(f,c);
>> imshow(cf/100)
>> f1=fspecial('log')

f1 =

    0.0448    0.0468    0.0564    0.0468    0.0448
    0.0468    0.3167    0.7146    0.3167    0.0468
    0.0564    0.7146   -4.9048    0.7146    0.0564
    0.0468    0.3167    0.7146    0.3167    0.0468
    0.0448    0.0468    0.0564    0.0468    0.0448

>> cf1=filter2(f1,c);
>> figure,imshow(cf1/100)
```

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FIGURE 5.5

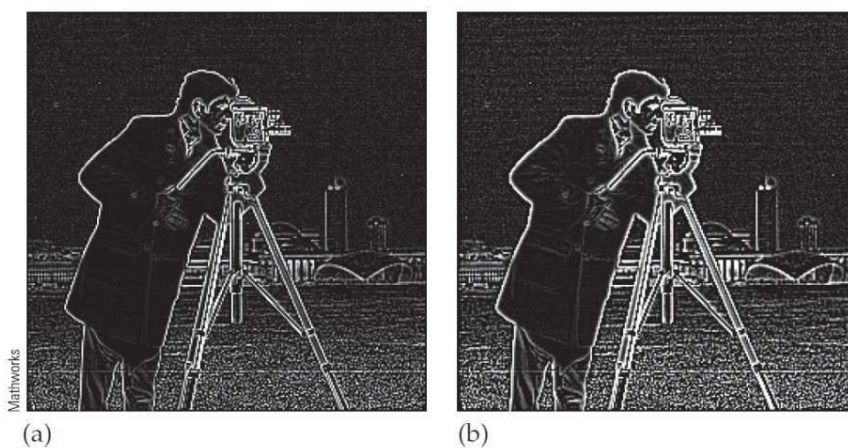


FIGURE 5.5 High-pass filtering. (a) Laplacian filter. (b) Laplacian of Gaussian (log) filtering.

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5.4 Frequencies: Low- and High-Pass Filters

- **VALUES OUTSIDE THE RANGE 0–255**

✓ **Make negative values positive**

✓ **Clip values**

$$y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 255 \\ 255 & \text{if } x > 255 \end{cases}$$

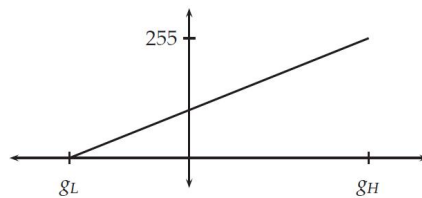
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5.4 Frequencies: Low- and High-Pass Filters

✓ **0-255 Scaling transformation (uint8)**



$$y = 255 \frac{x - g_L}{g_H - g_L}$$

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5.4 Frequencies: Low- and High-Pass Filters

```
>> f2=[1 -2 1;-2 4 -2;1 -2 1];
>> cf2=filter2(f2,c);
```

```
>> figure,imshow(mat2gray(cf2));
```

0-1 Scaling transformation (double)

```
>> maxcf2=max(cf2(:));
>> mincf2=min(cf2(:));
>> cf2g=(cf2-mincf2)/(maxcf2-mincf2);
```

```
>> figure,imshow(cf2/60)
```

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FIGURE 5.6

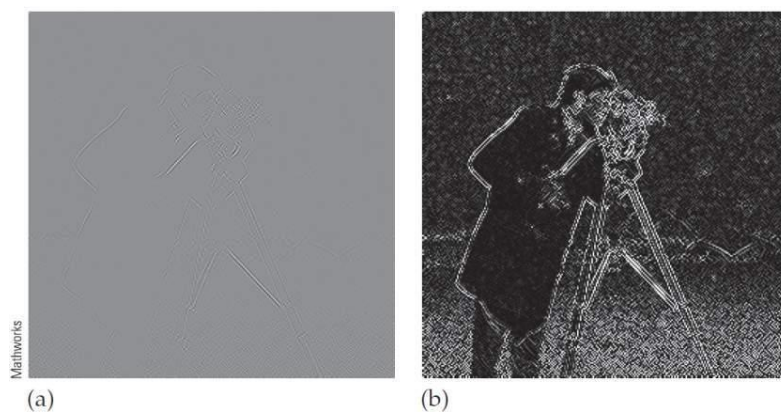


FIGURE 5.6 Using a high-pass filter and displaying the result. (a) Using `mat2gray`. (b) Dividing by a constant.

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5.5 Gaussian Filters

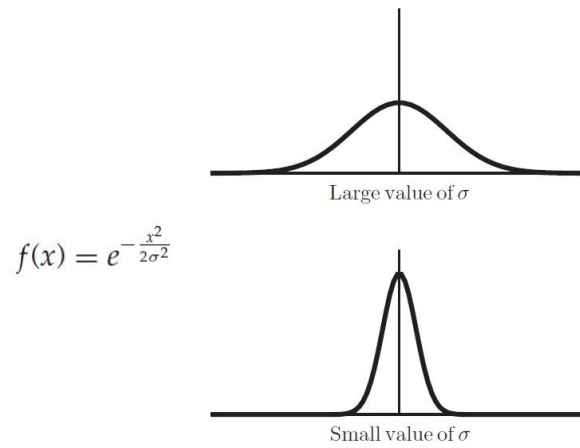


FIGURE 5.7 One-dimensional Gaussians.

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FIGURE 5.8

```
>> a=50;s=3;
>> g=fspecial('gaussian',[a a],s);
>> surf(1:a,1:a,g)
>> s=9;
>> g2=fspecial('gaussian',[a a],s);
>> figure,surf(1:a,1:a,g2)
```

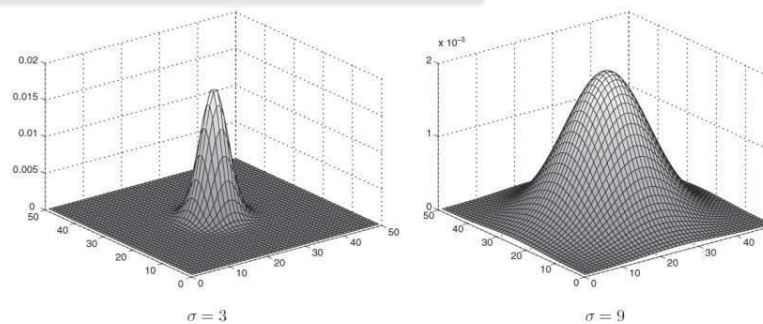


FIGURE 5.8 Two-dimensional Gaussians.

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5.5 Gaussian Filters

```
>> g1=fspecial('gaussian',[5,5]);
>> g2=fspecial('gaussian',[5,5],2);
>> g3=fspecial('gaussian',[11,11],1);
>> g4=fspecial('gaussian',[11,11],5);
```

```
>> imshow(filter2(g1,c)/256)
>> figure,imshow(filter2(g2,c)/256)
>> figure,imshow(filter2(g3,c)/256)
>> figure,imshow(filter2(g4,c)/256)
```

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FIGURE 5.9



FIGURE 5.9 Effects of different Gaussian filters on an image.

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5.6 Edge Sharpening

• 5.6.1 Unsharp Masking

```
>> f=fspecial('average');
>> xf=filter2(f,x);
>> xu=double(x)-xf/1.5
>> imshow(xu/70)
```

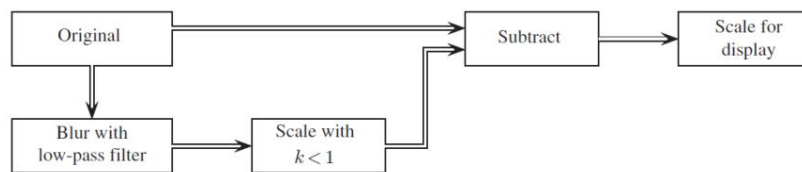


FIGURE 5.10 Schema for unsharp masking.

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FIGURE 5.11



(a)



(b)

FIGURE 5.11 An example of unsharp masking. (a) Original image. (b) The image after unsharp masking.

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FIGURE 5.12

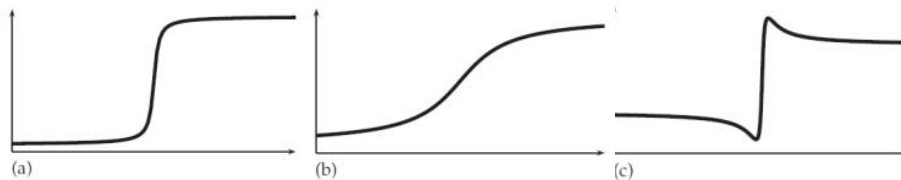


FIGURE 5.12 Unsharp masking. (a) Pixel values over an edge. (b) The edge blurred. (c) $(a) - k(b)$.

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5.6.1 Unsharp Masking

- The `unsharp` option of `fspecial` produces such filters

$$\frac{1}{\alpha + 1} \begin{bmatrix} -\alpha & \alpha - 1 & -\alpha \\ \alpha - 1 & \alpha + 5 & \alpha - 1 \\ -\alpha & \alpha - 1 & -\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

```
>> p=imread('pelicans.tif');
>> u=fspecial('unsharp',0.5);  $\alpha = 0.5$ 
>> pu=filter2(u,p);
>> imshow(p),figure,imshow(pu/255)
```

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FIGURE 5.13

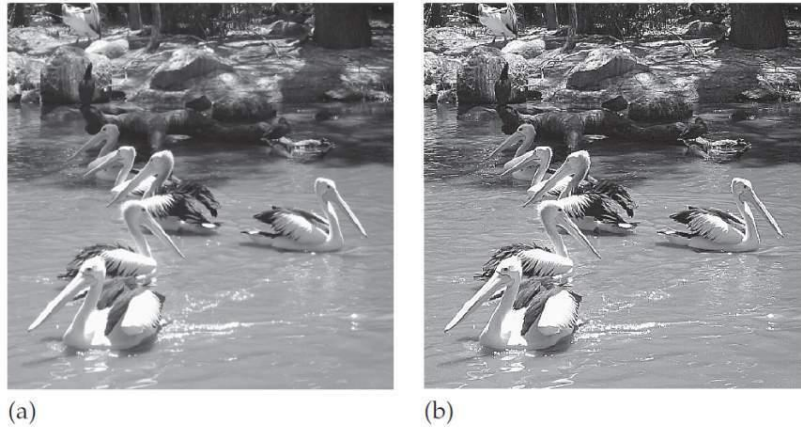


FIGURE 5.13 Edge enhancement with unsharp masking. (a) The original. (b) After unsharp masking.

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5.6.2 High-Boost Filtering

- Allied to unsharp masking filters are the **high-boost** filters

$$\text{high boost} = A(\text{original}) - (\text{low pass})$$

- ✓ where A is an amplification factor
- ✓ If $A = 1$, then the high-boost filter becomes an ordinary high-pass filter

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5.6.2 High-Boost Filtering

```
>> id=[0 0 0;0 1 0;0 0 0];
>> f=fspecial('average');
>> hb1=3*id-2*f

hb1 =

    -0.2222    -0.2222    -0.2222
    -0.2222     2.7778    -0.2222
    -0.2222    -0.2222    -0.2222

>> hb2=1.25*id-0.25*f

hb2 =

    -0.0278    -0.0278    -0.0278
    -0.0278     1.2222    -0.0278
    -0.0278    -0.0278    -0.0278
```

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FIGURE 5.14

```
>> x1=filter2(hb1, x);
>> imshow(x1/255)
```



(a)

```
>> x2=filter2(hb2, x);
>> imshow(x2/255)
```



(b)

FIGURE 5.14 High-boost filtering. (a) High-boost filtering with *hb1*. (b) High-boost filtering with *hb2*.

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5.7 Nonlinear Filters

- Maximum filter

```
>> cmax=nlfilter(c,[3,3],'max(x(:))');
```

- Minimum filter

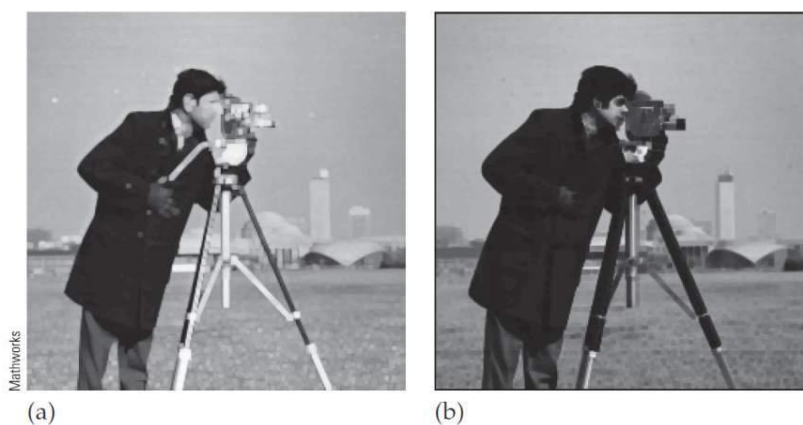
```
>> cmin=nlfilter(c,[3,3],'min(x(:))');
```

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FIGURE 5.15



FIGURES 5.15 Using nonlinear filters. (a) Using a maximum filter. (b) Using a minimum filter.

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5.8 Region of Interest Processing

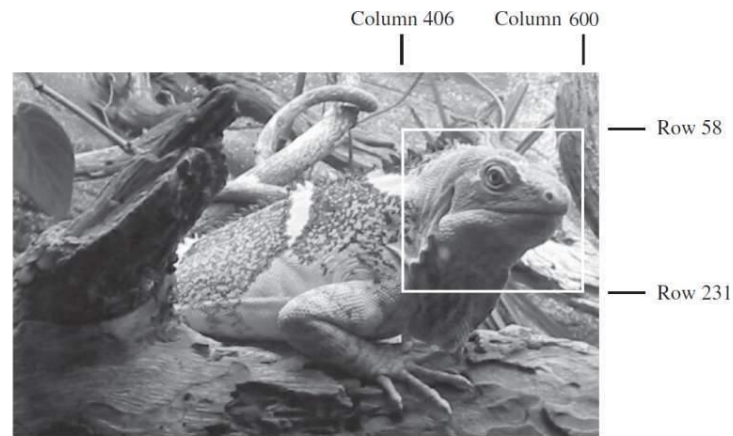


FIGURE 5.16 An image with a ROI.

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5.8.1 Regions of Interest in MATLAB

```
>> ig=imread('iguana.tif');
```

```
>> roi=roipoly(ig,[406 600 600 406],[58 58 231 231]);
```



FIGURE 5.17 The mask corresponding to the ROI defined in Figure 5.16.

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5.8.1 Regions of Interest in MATLAB

```
>> roi=roipoly(ig);
```

- This will bring up the iguana image (if it isn't shown already). Vertices of the ROI can be selected with the mouse

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5.8.2 Region of Interest Filtering

```
>> a=fspecial('average',[15,15]);
>> iga=roifilt2(a,ig,roi);
>> imshow(iga)
>> u=fspecial('unsharp');
>> igu=roifilt2(u,ig,roi);
>> figure,imshow(igu)
>> l=fspecial('log');
>> igl=roifilt2(l,ig,roi);
>> figure,imshow(igl)
```

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