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Computer-Assisted Image Analysis I - 1TD396

Computer Exercise 3

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# 1 Introduction

In this assignment we are asked to count the number of coins in a provided image.

# 2 Method

Below is a Matlab script that solves the problem of counting coins (and classifying them) presented. Each method is commented why its needed in the script.

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1 I=imread('lab3_material/coins.tif');
2 x=subplot(2,3,1)
3 imshow(I) %Display input image
4
5 f=[1 1 1 1; 1 1 1 1; 1 1 1 1; 1 1 1 1;]./16; %filter small sharp edges on coin surface
6 I=imfilter(I,f,'symmetric');
7 I = medfilt2(I); %Filter bright pixels.
8 T = graythresh(I); % Find treshold to mask away background
9 I_2 = im2bw(I,T); % create binary image of background and coins
10
11 %figure(1)
12 subplot(2,3,2)
13 imshow(I_2) %Display binary image
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16 %figure(3)
17 subplot(2,3,3)
18 Idist = bwdist(I_2,"euclidean"); %Calculate distance to edges
19 Idist = -Idist; %invert it for the next step
20 se = strel('disk',5);
21 Idist = imerode(Idist,se); % try to remove small not connected parts of coins
22 imshow(Idist,[],);
23
24
25 %figure(5)
26 subplot(2,3,4)
27 L = watershed(Idist); %watershed to isolate each coin after eroding
28 L(I_2) = 0; %set background to zero
29 rgb = label2rgb(L,'spring',[1 1 1]);
30 imshow(rgb)
31
32 %figure(6)
33 subplot(2,3,5)
34 T = 0;
35 I_2 = im2bw(L,T); % create a new binary image with all coins separated
36 imshow(I_2)
37
38 %figure(7)
39 subplot(2,3,6)
40 llabel=bwlabel(I_2,4); % label all objects, coins in the binary image
41
42
43 stats = regionprops('table',I_2,'Centroid','MajorAxisLength','MinorAxisLength'); %get properties, center and
    majoraxis length
44 centers = stats.Centroid;
45 diameters = stats.MajorAxisLength;
46 radii = diameters/2;
47 imshow(I_2)
48 hold on
49 viscircles(centers,radii); %display all objects radii with circles, centered with majoraxis length
50 title('Radii','Interpreter','latex','fontSize',22)
51 hold off
52
53 figure(9)
54 radii(radii < 17) = []; % remove small objects befor making histogram
55 hist(radii, 30)
56
57 figure(8)
58 F=regionprops(llabel,'Area');
59 A=[F.Area];
60 A(A<200) = [];
61 hist(A)
62 title('Area','Interpreter','latex','fontSize',22)
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### 3 Result

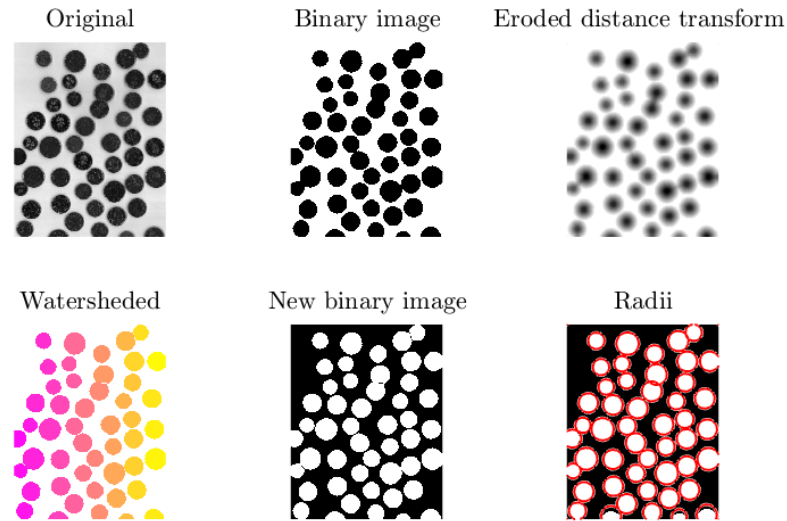


Figure 1: Example of caption

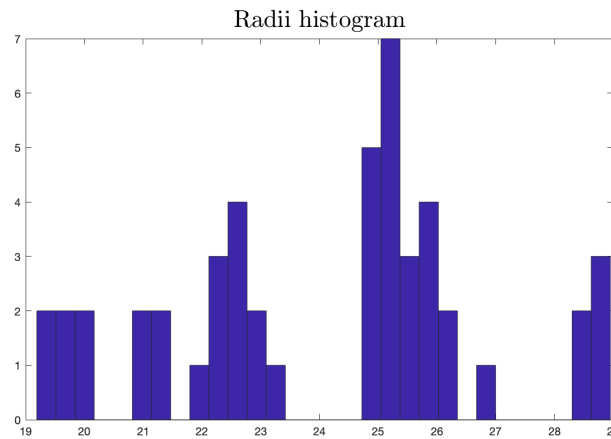


Figure 2: Example of caption

### 4 Discussion

**A discussion of errors and limitations in your final method.**

The method can count all coins in the image but have problem with classifying one of the coins. Better pre-processing to avoid shadows being included as edge of the coin could be one solution. On order to correctly classify half of the coin must be in the image.

**As you can see, the objects are coins. Is it possible to count the total amount of money using your algorithm?**

It is possible to count the sum of the money. More complex algorithm would be needed if less than half of the coin is present in the image to correctly classify it with radius. In this model the objects longest axis is used to calculate the radii, by doing this we can approximate the radius and get a good classification of the partial image of the coins.

Explain how your method treat the coins on the image border.

As described above is the majoraxis lenght used to identify the radii of the coins which works well as long as at least half the coin is in the image.

Is your solution general in the sense that it can be used when analyzing images with arbitrary circular objects (i.e. not only coins.tif)?

Taking the bacteria image as an example. It is possible to count the number of bacteria in the image depending on how you define **one** bacteria. In the image we can see several bacteria during **binary fission/mitosis(?)**, when during this process do we consider it to be a new bacteria? There is some problem with "dirt" in the image but most of it can be "filtered" out in the classification by setting the threshold size correct.

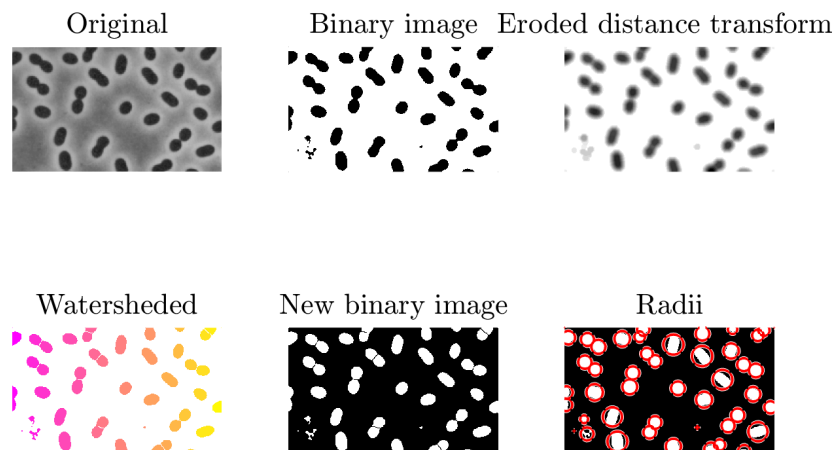


Figure 3

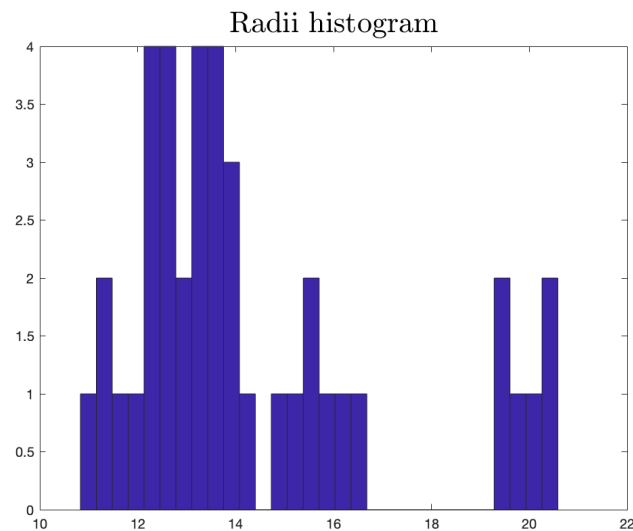


Figure 4