

MATLAB CODE TO ACHIEVE BCET STRETCH ON A SINGLE GREYSCALE IMAGE BAND:

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I = imread('pout.tif'); %READ THE INPUT IMAGE
figure,subplot(121), imshow(I);title('INPUT IMAGE');
x = double(I); % INPUT IMAGE
Lmin = min(x(:)); % MINIMUM OF INPUT IMAGE
Lmax = max(x(:)); % MAXIMUM OF INPUT IMAGE
Lmean = mean(x(:)); %MEAN OF INPUT IMAGE
LMssum = mean(x(:).^2); %MEAN SQUARE SUM OF INPUT IMAGE

Gmin = 0; %MINIMUM OF OUTPUT IMAGE
Gmax = 255; %MAXIMUM OF OUTPUT IMAGE
Gmean = 110; %MEAN OF OUTPUT IMAGE

bnum = Lmax.^2*(Gmean-Gmin) - LMssum*(Gmax-Gmin) + Lmin.^2*(Gmax-Gmean);
bden = 2*(Lmax*(Gmean-Gmin)-Lmean*(Gmax-Gmin)+Lmin*(Gmax-Gmean));

b = bnum/bden;

a = (Gmax-Gmin)/((Lmax-Lmin)*(Lmax+Lmin-2*b));

c = Gmin - a*(Lmin-b).^2;

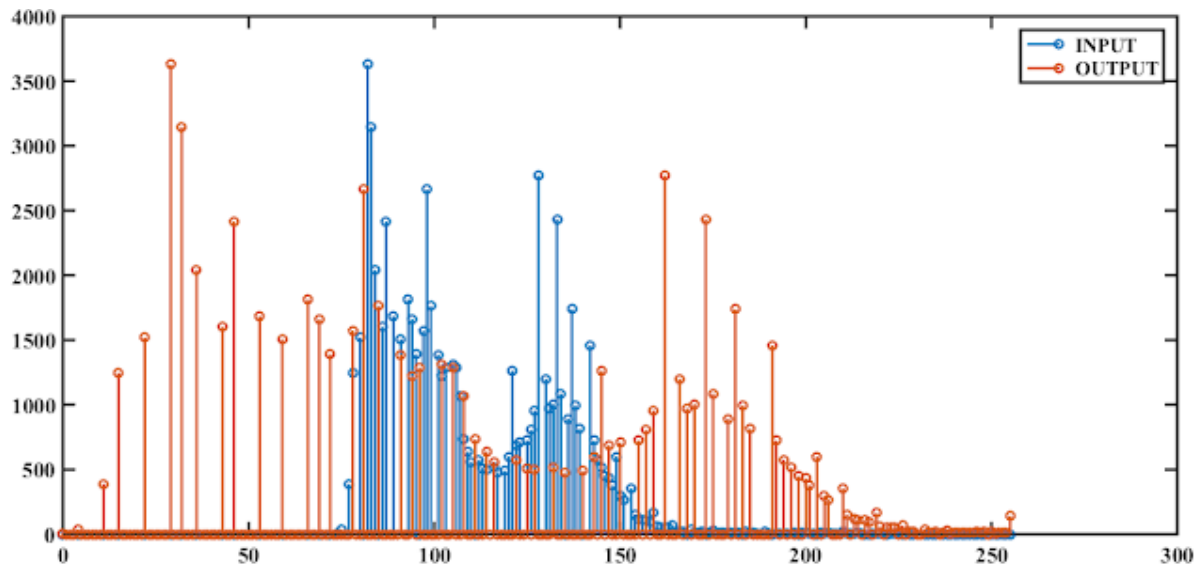
y = a*(x-b).^2+c; %PARABOLIC FUNCTION
y = uint8(y);

subplot(122),imshow(y);title('OUTPUT IMAGE');
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I_hist = imhist(I(:));
O_hist = imhist(y(:));

figure,stem([0:255],I_hist);hold on;stem([0:255],O_hist);legend INPUT OUTPUT
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EXPLANATION:

Set the minimum value to zero and maximum value to 255. Set the mean value to 110.

From the histogram of the output image, it is evident that the minimum value is zero and maximum value 255. The histogram is stretched but the shape is retained.

EXERCISE:

- Try with different minimum, maximum and mean values for the input image to study the result.
- Compare the results obtained using '[Linear contrast Enhancement technique](#)' and comment your answers below

NOW APPLY THE BCET FORMULA TO A THREE BAND COLOUR COMPOSITE

Save the below code as a function and name it as 'BCET.m'

MATLAB CODE:

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function y=BCET(Gmin,Gmax,Gmean,x)

    x    = double(x); % INPUT IMAGE
    Lmin = min(x(:)); % MINIMUM OF INPUT IMAGE
    Lmax = max(x(:)); % MAXIMUM OF INPUT IMAGE
    Lmean = mean(x(:)); %MEAN OF INPUT IMAGE
    LMssum = mean(x(:).^2); %MEAN SQUARE SUM OF INPUT IMAGE

    bnum = Lmax.^2*(Gmean-Gmin) - LMssum*(Gmax-Gmin) + Lmin.^2*(Gmax-Gmean);
    bden = 2*(Lmax*(Gmean-Gmin)-Lmean*(Gmax-Gmin)+Lmin*(Gmax-Gmean));

    b = bnum/bden;

    a = (Gmax-Gmin)/((Lmax-Lmin)*(Lmax+Lmin-2*b));

    c = Gmin - a*(Lmin-b).^2;

    y = a*(x-b).^2+c; %PARABOLIC FUNCTION
    y = uint8(y);
end
```

Now, open script in the editor and try the following code. Make sure the function BCET.m is available in the current working directory.

MATLAB CODE:

```
%READ THE INPUT IMAGE
A = imread('landsat7.tif');
%https://landsatlook.usgs.gov

%PREALLOCATE THE OUTPUT IMAGE MATRIX
Output = zeros(size(A));
R = A(:,:,1); %RED CHANNEL
G = A(:,:,2); %GREEN CHANNEL
B = A(:,:,3); %BLUE CHANNEL

figure(1),subplot(211),stem([0:255],imhist(R(:)),'r');hold on;
stem([0:255],imhist(G(:)),'g');hold on;
stem([0:255],imhist(B(:)),'b');
title('HISTOGRAM OF THE INPUT IMAGE');
legend RED GREEN BLUE

Gmin = 0; %MINIMUM VALUE OF THE OUTPUT IMAGE
Gmax = 255; %MAXIMUM VALUE OF THE OUTPUT IMAGE
Gmean = 120; %MEAN VALUE OF THE OUTPUT IMAGE

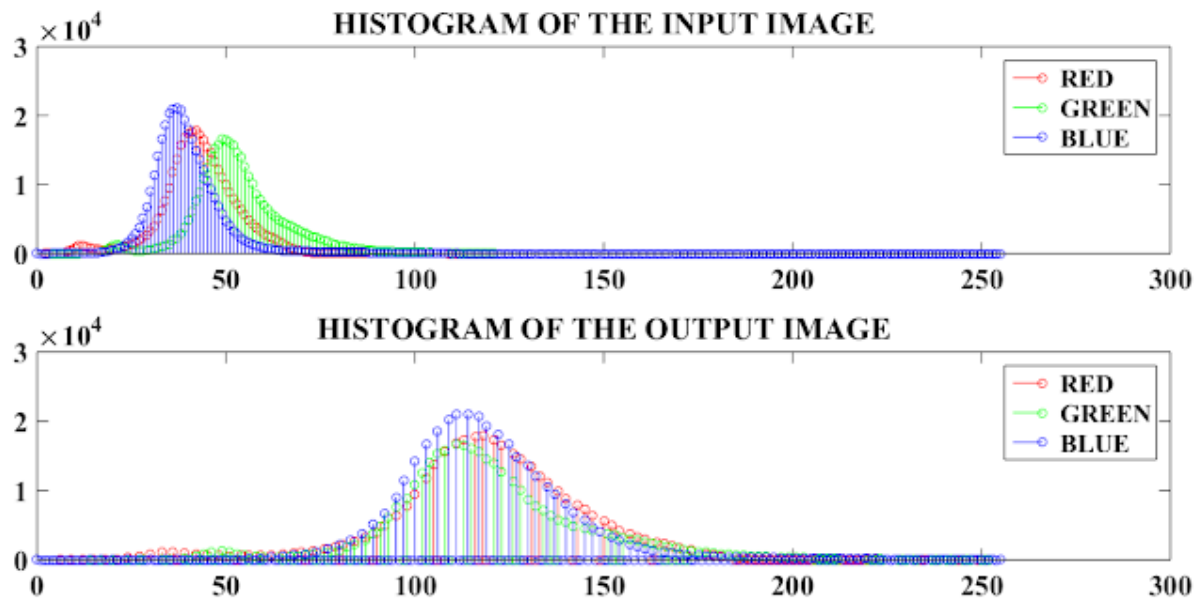
%PARABOLIC FUNCTION
R=BCET(Gmin,Gmax,Gmean,R);
G=BCET(Gmin,Gmax,Gmean,G);
B=BCET(Gmin,Gmax,Gmean,B);

Output(:,:,1)=R;
Output(:,:,2)=G;
Output(:,:,3)=B;
Output = uint8(Output);

subplot(212),stem([0:255],imhist(R(:)),'r');hold on;
stem([0:255],imhist(G(:)),'g');hold on;
stem([0:255],imhist(B(:)),'b');
title('HISTOGRAM OF THE OUTPUT IMAGE');
legend RED GREEN BLUE

figure(2),subplot(121),imshow(A);title('INPUT UNSTRETCHED CC IMAGE');
subplot(122),imshow(Output);title('OUTPUT BCET-STRETCHED CC IMAGE');
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EXPLANATION:

The minimum and maximum values for all the channels are set as 0 and 255. And the mean value is set as 120.

The mean values of the Red, Green and Blue channels are different as shown in the table below.

INPUT IMAGE	MIN VALUE	MAX VALUE	MEAN VALUE
RED COMPONENT	0	255	43
GREEN COMPONENT	0	255	53.54
BLUE COMPONENT	0	255	39.6

After applying the BCET solution, the result shown below indicates that the mean values of all the channels are balanced.

OUTPUT IMAGE	MIN VALUE	MAX VALUE	MEAN VALUE
RED COMPONENT	0	255	120
GREEN COMPONENT	0	255	119.9
BLUE COMPONENT	0	255	120

To understand the mathematical derivation and the limitations of this technique refer the following paper.

Reference:

Balance contrast enhancement technique and its application in image colour composition, Liu 1990 <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/01431169108955241>