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Project 1 (in C++): Given a bimodal histogram of a grey-scale image, you are to implement one of the two automatic
threshold selections: the bi-Gaussian method.
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Language: C++
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Project name: Bi-Means automatic threshold selection
Project points: 12 pts
Due Date: Soft copy (*.zip) and hard copies (*.pdf):
              +1 (13/12 pts): early submission, 2/17/2024, Saturday before midnight
              (12/12 pts): on time, 2/20/2024 Tuesday before midnight
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*** Name your soft copy and hard copy files using the naming convention given in the project submission requirement.
*** All submission MUST include Soft copy (*.zip) and hard copy (*.pdf) in the same email attachments with correct
       email subject as stated in the project submission requirement, otherwise, your submission will be rejected.
       Email subject: (CV) firstName lastName <Project 1: Bi-Means automatic threshold selection (C++)>
*** Inside the email body includes:
       - Your answer to the five questions given at the end of the project submission requirements.
       - Screen recoding link. (-2 without the recording!)
*** Place your screen recording in your project submission email body below the 5 questions.
You are given histograms: histogram1 and histogram2 to test your program.
What you need to do:
       1. Implement your program as given the specs below.
       2. Run your program twice: once using histogram1 and once using histogram2
       3. Include in your hard copy *.pdf file as follows:
              - Cover page.
              - Source code.
              - outFile1 and outFile2 for histogram1.
              - deBugFile for histogram1 // limit to 4 pages.
              - outFile1 and outFile2 for histogram2.
              - deBugFile for histogram2 // limit to 4 pages.
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I. Inputs:
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a) inFile1 (argy [1]): a text file representing a histogram of a gray-scale image. The input format as follows:
              For example:
                7 0 9
                            // 5 rows, 6 cols, min is 0 max 9
              0 2
                            // hist [0] is 2
              1
                8
                            // hist [1] is 8
              2
                 5
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II. Outputs: include outFile1, outFile2 and deBugFile.
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a) outFile1 (argy [2]): This file includes the followings:
       i) A 2-D display of the histogram with image header in the format as given below with proper caption; use fixed
       4 6 1 10 // image header
              0 (0):
              1(2):++
              2(3):+++
              3 (5):+++++
              4 (10):++++++++
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5 (12):+++++++++
                6 (10):+++++++
               7 (8):++++++
b) outFile2 (argv[3]):
   i) The Bi-Gaussian auto-selected threshold value with caption.
   ii) A 2-D display of the graph that shows: the histogram with '+', the two Gaussian best-fitted curve
       with '*' and the gap points with '^' between the Gaussian curves and the histogram.
c) deBugFile (argy [4]): For all debugging prints as program dictates.
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III. Data structure:
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- a thresholdSelection class
       - (int) numRows, numCols, minVal, maxVal // image header.
       - (int) BiGaussThrVal // the auto selected threshold value by the Bi-Gaussian method.
       - (int) maxHeight // The largest hist[i] within a given range of the histogram.
       - (int *) histAry// a 1D integer array (size of maxVal + 1) to store the histogram.
                       // It needs to be dynamically allocated at run time; initialize to zero.
       - (int *) GaussAry // a 1D integer array (size of maxVal + 1) to store the "modified" Gaussian curve values.
                       // It needs to be dynamically allocated at run time. initialize to zero.
        - (char **) Graph // a 2-D char array size of maxVal+1 by maxHeight+1, initialize to blank,
                // It needs to be dynamically allocated at run time. Within Graph [] [] use:
                        + for histogram points.
                        * for the two best-fitted Gaussian curves points.
                       ^ for points of gaps in between histogram and the two curves.
       Methods:
       - constructor (...) // It dynamically allocates all member arrays and initialization.
        - (int) loadHist (...) // reads and loads the histAry from inFile and returns the max hist[i]. // On your own
       - dispHist (...) // Output the histogram in the format as shown in the above. // On your own.
       - plotHist (...) // plot the histogram onto Graph with '+'. // On your own.
        - plotGraph (row, end1, end2, symbol)
                        // plot the given symbol onto graph at row, from end1 to end2. // On your own.
       - setZero (Ary) // Set 1D Ary to zero; //on your own.
       - (int) biGaussian (...) // See algorithm below.
                       // The method determines the best threshold selection (via fitGauss method)
                       // where the two Gaussian curves fit the histogram the best.
       - fitGauss (...) // computes the Gaussian curve fitting to the histogram; see algorithm below.
       - (double) computeMean (...) // See algorithm below.
               // Computes the mean from leftIndex to rightIndex of the histogram.
               // and returns the *weighted* average of the histogram; i.e., i * hist[i]. See algorithm below.
       - (double) computeVar (...) // Computes the *weighted* variance from the given leftIndex
               // to rightIndex of the histogram and returns the *weighted* variance. See algorithm below.
       - modifiedGauss (x, mean, var, maxHeight)
               // The original Gaussian function is
               // g(x) = a^* \exp(-((x-b)^2)/(2*c^2))
               // where a is the height of the Gaussian Bell curve, i.e.,
               // a = 1/(sqrt(c^2 * 2 * pi)); b is mean, c is, \sigma, the standard deviation and c^2 is variance
               // Here, the modified method replace 'a' in g(x) with maxHeight of histogram.
               // G(x) = maxHeight * exp( - ((x-mean)^2 / (2*c^2)))
               // The method returns G(x)
               // Alternatively, instead of using maxHeight, one can use
               // G(x) = \max Height / \max GVal * g(x), where
               // maxGVal is the largest g(x). If you are interest, you may use as such,
               // however, use maxHeight is good enough for this project. The equation:
                       // G(x) = \max Height * exp( - ( (x-mean)^2 / (2* var) )
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IV. Main (...)
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Step 0: inFile1, outFile1, outFile2, deBugFile ← open via args []
Step 1: numRows, numCols, minVal, maxVal ← read from inFile1.
        maxHeight ← loadHist (histAry, inFile) // loadHist () returns the largest value of histogram.
       dynamically allocate histAry, GaussAry, Graph with proper size and proper initializations.
Step 2: outFile1 ← "in main(), below is the input histogram"
       dispHist (histAry, outFile1)
Step 3: plotHist (histAry, Graph)
      deBugFile ← "In main(), below is the Graph after plotting the histogram onto Graph"
       deBugFile ← print the Graph to deBugFile.
Step 4: BiGaussThrVal ← biGaussian (histAry, GaussAry, maxHeight, minVal, maxVal, Graph, deBugFile)
Step 5: outFile2 ← "The BiGaussThrVal is" print BiGaussThrVal
Step 6: outFile2 ← "In main(). Below is the graph showing the histogram, the best fitted Gaussian curves and the gap"
Step 7: outFile2 ← "In main(), Below is the final Graph"
       outFile2 ← output Graph
Step 8: close all files
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V. (int) biGaussian (histAry, GaussAry, maxHeight, minVal, maxVal, Graph, deBugFile)
Step 0: deBugFile ← output "Entering biGaussian method" // debug print
       (double) sum1
       (double) sum2
       (double) total
       (double) minSumDiff
       offSet ← (int) (maxVal - minVal) / 10
       dividePt ← offSet
       bestThr ← dividePt
       minSumDiff ← 99999.0 // a large value
Step 1: setZero (GaussAry) // reset in each iteration
Step 2: sum1 ← fitGauss (0, dividePt, histAry, GaussAry, maxHeight, Graph, deBugFile) // first Gaussian curve
Step 3: sum2 ← fitGauss (dividePt, maxVal, histAry, GaussAry, maxHeight, Graph, deBugFile) //second Gaussian curve
Step 4: total \leftarrow sum1 + sum2
Step 5: if total < minSumDiff
               minSumDiff ← total
               bestThr ← dividePt
Step 6: deBugFile ← "In biGaussian (): dividePt = , sum1= , sum2= , total= , minSumDiff = and bestThr="
                              //print those values.
Step 7: dividePt ++
Step 8: repeat step 1 to step 7 while dividePt \leq (maxVal – offSet)
Step 9: deBugFile ← "leaving biGaussian method, minSumDiff = bestThr is" print minSumDiff and bestThr
step 10: return bestThr
V. (double) fitGauss (leftIndex, rightIndex, histAry, GaussAry, maxHeight, Graph, deBugFile)
Step 0: deBugFile ← "Entering fitGauss method" // debug print
       (double) mean
       (double) var
       (double) sum \leftarrow 0.0
       (double) Gval
Step 1: mean ← computeMean (leftIndex, rightIndex, maxHeight, histAry, deBugFile)
       var ← computeVar (leftIndex, rightIndex, mean, histAry, deBugFile)
Step 2: index ← leftIndex
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Step 3: Gval ← modifiedGauss (index, mean, var, maxHeight) // see equation below.
Step 4: sum += abs (Gval - (double)histAry[index])
Step 5: GaussAry[index] ← (int) Gval
Step 6: Graph[index][(int) Gval] ← '*'
Step 7: if (int) Gval <= histAry[index]
             end1 ← (int) Gval
             end2 ← histAry[index]
       else
             end1 ← histAry[index]
             end2 \leftarrow (int) Gval
Step 8: plotGraph (index, end1, end2, '^')
Step 9: index ++
Step 10: repeat step 3 – step 9 while index <= rightIndex
Step 11: deBugFile ← "leaving fitGauss method, sum is;" print sum // debug print
Step 12: return sum
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VI. (double) computeMean (leftIndex, rightIndex, maxHeight, histAry, deBugFile)
Step 0: deBugFile ← output "Entering computeMean method" // debug print
       maxHeight \leftarrow 0 // maxHeight came via parameter, it is a reference variable, NOT local variable!
                       // If you like, maxHeight need NOT passes in the parameter, just use it as global variable.
       sum \leftarrow 0
       numPixels \leftarrow 0
Step 1: index ← leftIndex
Step 2: sum += (hist[index] * index)
      numPixels += hist[index]
Step 3: if hist[index] > maxHeight
               maxHeight ← hist[index]
Step 4: index++
Step 5: repeat Step 2 to step 4 while index < rightIndex
Step 6: (double) result ← (double) sum / (double) numPixels
Step 7: deBugFile ← output "Leaving computeMean method maxHeight is an result" print maxHeight and result
Step 8: return result
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IV. (double) computeVar (leftIndex, rightIndex, mean, histAry, deBugFile)
Step 0: deBugFile ← output "Entering computeVar() method" // debug print
       sum \leftarrow 0.0
       numPixels \leftarrow 0
Step 1: index ← leftIndex
Step 2: sum += (double) hist [index] * ((double) index - mean)^2)
      numPixels += hist[index]
Step 3: index++
Step 4: repeat Step 2 to step 3 while index < rightIndex
Step 5: (double) result ← sum / (double) numPixels
Step 6: deBugFile ← output "Leaving computeVar method returning result" print result
Step 7: return result
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X. (double) modifiedGauss (x, mean, var, maxHeight)
return (double) (maxHeight * exp ( - ( (double) x) -mean)^2 / (2*var) )
               // equation: G(x) = \max Height * exp(-((x-mean)^2/(2*var)))
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