Three Classes of Image Processing Operations by Direct Manipulation of Gray Levels

- Any image-processing operation transforms the gray values of the pixels.
- Image-processing operations may be divided into three classes based on the information required to perform the transformation.
- From the simplest to the most complex, they are as follows:
 - Point operations : chap.4
 - Neighborhood processing (spatial filter): chap.5
 - Geometrical transforms: chap.6







Chapter 4: Point Processing



Arithmetic Operations

• These operations act by applying a simple function

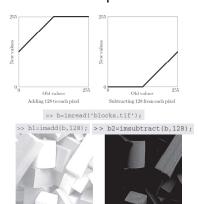
$$y = f(x)$$

 In each case we may have to adjust the output slightly in order to ensure that the results are integers in the 0...
 255 range (type uint8)

$$y \leftarrow \begin{cases} 255 & \text{if } y > 255, \\ 0 & \text{if } y < 0. \end{cases}$$

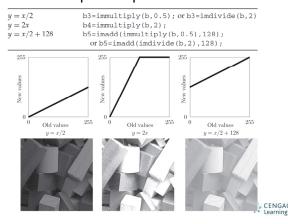


Arithmetic Operations



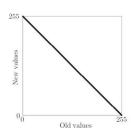


Arithmatic Op: Multiplication and Division



4.2 Arithmetic Op: Complements

- The **complement** of a grayscale image is its photographic negative (= **image negative**)
- type double (0.0~1.0): 1-m
- type uint8 (0~255): 255-m





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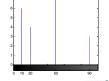
4.3 Histogram

(= 확률 밀도 함수, Probability Density Function (PDF))

$$p_r(r_k) = \frac{n_k}{n}$$
 $k = 0,1,2,...,L-1$

- n : total number of pixels in an image
- n_k : number of pixel value r_k
- L: number of intensity levels (pixel values)
- Graph of r_k vs. $p_r(r_k)$





Histogram Example

>> p=imread('pout.tif');
>> imshow(p),figure,imhist(p),axis tight

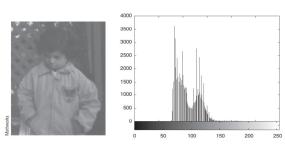
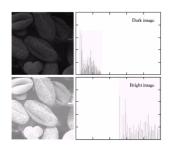
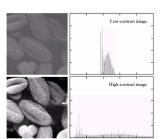


FIGURE 4.8 The image pout.tif and its histogram.



Histogram and Image Properties







Histogram(Contrast) Stretching

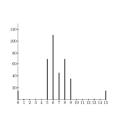
• A table of the numbers n_i of gray values

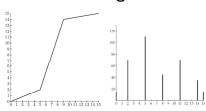
(with n = 360, as before)

 We can stretch out the gray levels in the center of the range by applying the piecewise linear function



Contrast Stretching





Transformation function

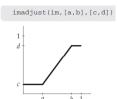
$$j = \frac{14-2}{9-5}(i-5) + 2$$

i: original gray levelj: its result after the transformation Transformaiton Lookup table

This function has the effect of stretching the gray levels 5–9 to gray levels 2–14

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Constrast Stretching in Matlab

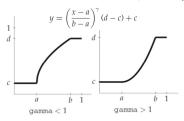


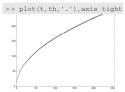
- imadjust is designed to work equally well on images of type double, uint8, or uint16
- the values of a, b, c, and d must be between 0 and 1
- imadjust automatically converts the image im (if needed) to be of type double
- Note that imadjust does not work quite in the same way as shown in the figure.
- The imadjust function has one other optional parameter: the gamma value.

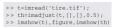
$$y = \left(\frac{x-a}{b-a}\right)^{\gamma} (d-c) + c$$



Contrast Stretching with γ









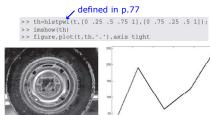


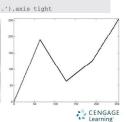
CS: Piecewise Linear Transformation Function

• How to implement in Matlab?

pix=find(im >= a(i) & im < a(i+1)); out (pix) = (im(pix) - a(i)) * (b(i+1) - b(i)) / (a(i+1) - a(i)) + b(i)im:input image, out: output image







4.3.2 Histogram Equalization

- · An entirely automatic procedure
- Suppose our image has L different gray levels, $0, 1, 2, \ldots, L-1$, and gray level i occurs n_i times in the image

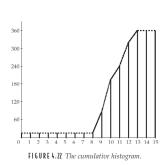
$$\left(\frac{n_0+n_1+\cdots+n_i}{n}\right)(L-1)$$

Where $n=n_0+n_1+n_2+\cdots+n_{L-1}$



4.3.2 Histogram Equalization

• WHY IT WORKS If we were to treat the image as a continuous function f(x, y) and the histogram as the area between different contours, then we can treat the histogram as a probability density function.





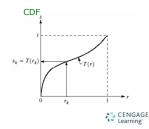
Histogram Equalization: How to stretch?

- Pixels r(n1,n2) are transformed to s(n1,n2)
 - $s(n_1, n_2) = T[r(n_1, n_2)]$
- Trans. func.(T): CDF(cumulative distribution function) of random variable *r*

$$S = T(r) = \int_0^r p_r(w)dw$$

WHY?

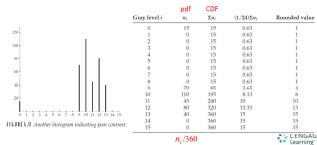
CDF makes pdf (probability density function, pdf) $p_s(s)$ after HE uniform distribution => purpose of HE

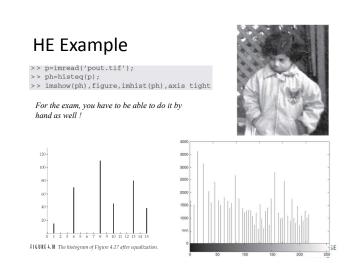


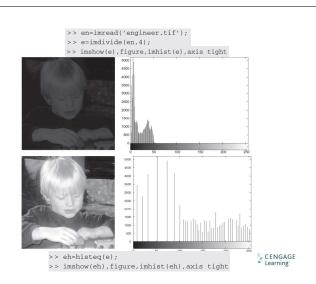
HE Example

• Suppose a 4-bit grayscale image has the histogram, associated with a table of the numbers n_i of gray values

Gray level i 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 n_i 15 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 70 110 45 80 40 0





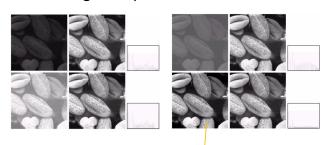


Histogram Equalization: Step by Step

- 1. Get histogram(pdf) of input image.
- 2. Get transformation function T() by calculating cdf and compose a lookup table.
- Using T(), change input pixel value r -> output pixel value s.
- Put the pixel value s at the corresponding pixel location of output image.



- HE Histogram Equalization: Results

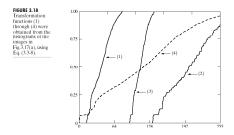


Drawback of HE Transformation function is fixed. does not work for high-contrast image



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Histogram Equalization : CDFs of the previous slide





Histogram Matching(Specification)

- Histogram equalization generates a uniform histogram
- For interactive image enhancement, the user may like to result in a customized histogram
 - ---> Use Histogram Specification



Histogram Specification

- ullet r: pixel values of original image
- ullet u: pixel values of desired image: PDF should be pre-determined.
- ullet s: pixel values of histogram-equalized image
- ullet For continuous data, HE of r and u results in s. (uniform histogram)

$$s = T(r) = \int_0^r P_r(\omega) d\omega$$
 CDF(누적분포함수)
 $v = G(u) = \int_0^u P_u(\omega) d\omega$

$$u = G^{-1}(s) = G^{-1}(T(r)) \qquad r \to u \text{ conversion}$$

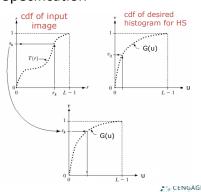
• Specify a particular probability density function G(u) then calculate $\frac{G^{-1}(T(r))}{G^{-1}(T(r))}$ for histogram specification.

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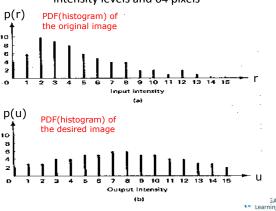
Graphical Interpretation of Histogram Specification

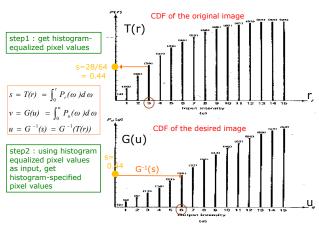


step2: using histogram equalized pixel values as input, get histogramspecified pixel values



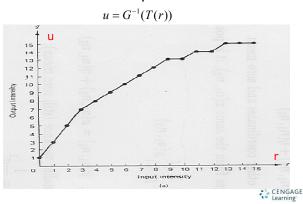
An Example of Histogram Specification with 15 intensity levels and 64 pixels





histogram-equalized pixel value of pixel value 3 : floor(15*28/64) = 7
 histogram-specified pixel value of pixel value 3 : G⁻¹(28/64) = 6

An Example of Histogram Specification : Look-up Table



Histogram Specification: Step by Step

- 1. Get histogram P(r) of input image.
- 2. Get s=T(r) for histogram equalization.
- 3. Design the desired histogram P(u) and make transformation function G(u) for HS.

 (You might want to do it manually.)
- 4. Generate a look-up table(LUT) to convert input pixel values (r) to output values (u) by T(r) and $G^{-1}(s)$.
- 5. Put the converted pixel values in the output image.



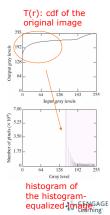
Example of Histogram Specification



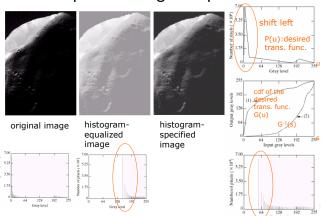




histogramequalized image



Example of Histogram Specification

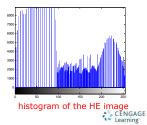


A Practical Example of HS (1)

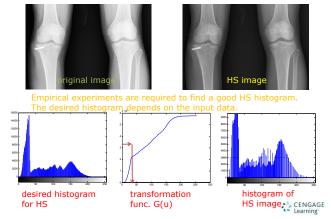








A Practical Example of HS (2)



4.4 Lookup Tables

- Point operations can be performed very effectively by using a lookup table, known more simply as an LUT
- e.g., the LUT corresponding to division by 2 looks like

 Index:
 0
 1
 2
 3
 4
 5

 250
 251
 252
 253
 254
 255

 LUT:
 0
 0
 1
 1
 2
 2
 . . .
 125
 125
 126
 126
 127
 127

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4.4 Lookup Tables

• If ${\mathbb T}$ is a lookup table in Matlab and ${\tt im}$ is our image, the lookup table can be applied by the simple command

T(im+1)

>> T=uint8(floor([0:255]/2)); >> b = imread('image.tif'); >> b2 = T(b);

• e.g.,





4.4 Lookup Tables

 As another example, suppose we wish to apply an LUT to implement the contrast-stretching function

$$y = \frac{64}{96}x,$$

$$y = \frac{192 - 64}{160 - 96}(x - 96) + 64,$$

$$y = \frac{255 - 192}{255 - 160}(x - 160) + 192$$

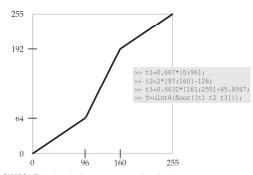
$$y = 0.6667x,$$

$$y = 2x - 128,$$

$$y = 0.6632x + 85.8947$$



LUT Generation in Matlab



 ${\tt FIGURE\,4.B}\ A\ piecewise\ linear\ contrast-stretching\ function.$

