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% Two-Step Enhancement Framework for Improving Underwater Image Quality
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% Step 1: Color Correction
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% Step 2: Contrast Enhancement
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clc;
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clear;
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close all;
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```
% Load the underwater image
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```
inputImage = imread('underwater_image.jpg'); % Replace with your image path
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figure;
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```
imshow(inputImage);
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title('Original Underwater Image');
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% Step 1: Color Correction
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```
% Apply White Balance to correct color cast
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```
colorCorrectedImage = whiteBalance(inputImage);
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```
figure;
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```
imshow(colorCorrectedImage);
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```
title('Color Corrected Image');
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% Step 2: Contrast Enhancement
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```
% Apply Contrast-Limited Adaptive Histogram Equalization (CLAHE)
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contrastEnhancedImage = contrastEnhancement(colorCorrectedImage);
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figure;
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```
imshow(contrastEnhancedImage);
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```
title('Contrast Enhanced Image');
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```
% Save the final enhanced image  
imwrite(contrastEnhancedImage, 'enhanced_underwater_image.jpg');
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% Function for White Balance (Color Correction)
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function correctedImage = whiteBalance(image)
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```
    % Convert the image to double for calculations
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    image = double(image);
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```
    % Calculate the mean of each color channel
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```
    meanR = mean(mean(image(:,:,1)));
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    meanG = mean(mean(image(:,:,2)));
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    meanB = mean(mean(image(:,:,3)));
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```
    % Compute the scaling factors
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    scaleR = meanG / meanR;
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    scaleB = meanG / meanB;
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    % Apply the scaling factors to each channel
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```
    correctedImage(:,:,1) = image(:,:,1) * scaleR;
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    correctedImage(:,:,2) = image(:,:,2);
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```
    correctedImage(:,:,3) = image(:,:,3) * scaleB;
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    % Normalize the image to the range [0, 255]
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    correctedImage = uint8(correctedImage);
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end
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% Function for Contrast Enhancement (CLAHE)
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```
function enhancedImage = contrastEnhancement(image)
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```
% Convert the image to LAB color space
labImage = rgb2lab(image);

% Apply CLAHE to the L channel (lightness)
labImage(:, :, 1) = adapthisteq(labImage(:, :, 1), 'ClipLimit', 0.02, 'Distribution', 'rayleigh');

% Convert the image back to RGB color space
enhancedImage = lab2rgb(labImage);
enhancedImage = uint8(enhancedImage * 255);
end
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2nd code: -

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function enhancedImage = underwaterImageEnhancement(inputImage)

% Read the input image
I = imread(inputImage);

% Step 1: Color Correction using Piecewise Linear Transformation
correctedImage = colorCorrection(I);

% Step 2: Contrast Enhancement using Optimal Contrast Method
enhancedImage = contrastEnhancement(correctedImage);

% Display the original and enhanced images
figure;
subplot(1, 2, 1);
imshow(I);
title('Original Image');

subplot(1, 2, 2);
imshow(enhancedImage);
title('Enhanced Image');
end

function correctedImage = colorCorrection(I)

% Convert image to double for processing
I = im2double(I);
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% Calculate the average intensity of each channel
avgRed = mean(I(:,:,1), 'all');
avgGreen = mean(I(:,:,2), 'all');
avgBlue = mean(I(:,:,3), 'all');

% Apply piecewise linear transformation to correct color distortion
correctedRed = I(:,:,1) + 0.5 * (avgGreen - avgRed) * (1 - I(:,:,1));
correctedGreen = I(:,:,2);
correctedBlue = I(:,:,3) + 0.5 * (avgGreen - avgBlue) * (1 - I(:,:,3));

% Ensure values are within [0,1]
correctedRed = max(min(correctedRed, 1), 0);
correctedBlue = max(min(correctedBlue, 1), 0);

% Combine the corrected channels
correctedImage = cat(3, correctedRed, correctedGreen, correctedBlue);
end

function enhancedImage = contrastEnhancement(I)
% Convert image to double for processing
I = im2double(I);

% Apply histogram equalization for contrast enhancement
enhancedImage = adapthisteq(I);

% Convert back to uint8 for display
enhancedImage = im2uint8(enhancedImage);
end

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