Computer Vision Homework 3

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Description

In this homework, we are asked to implement the programs do histogram equalization. The transformation method is

$$s_k = 255 \sum_{j=0}^k \frac{n_j}{n}, ext{ where } k = 0, 1, \cdots, 255$$

 n_i : number of pixels with intensity j

n: total number of pixels

 $I(imhe, i, j) = s_k$ for each pixel (i, j), where I(im, i, j) = k

Programming

I use python to implement the algorithm. There is one python program, namely, histogram-equalization.py, where I use **pillow** to process basic image I/O. In the program, there are some I/O functions:

- 1. PIL.Image.open(img): load the image img and return a pillow Image object.
- 2. pix = Image.load(): return the image access object of **Image** object to pix, which offers us to use pix[x, y] to access the pixel value at position (x, y).
- 3. PIL.Image.new(mode, size): create a new image with given mode and size, and return a piilow Image object.
- 4. Image.size: pair (width, height) of Image object.

Write a program to do histogram equalization

Run python3.5 histogram-equalization.py \$IMG_IN \$IMG_OUT \$HISTO, and the program will do histogram-equalization



Figure 1-1: Do histogram-equalization on lena.bmp

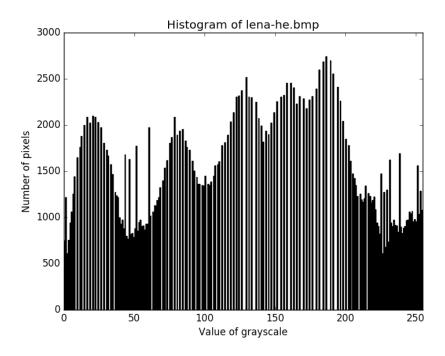


Figure 1-2: The histogram after doing histogram equalization

Algorithm

First, calculate the histogram of **IMG_IN**. To do this, iterate all pixels (x, y) and increase the histogram value at i by 1, where i is the intensity of (x, y).

```
N = 256  # grayscale value from 0 to 255
sum = [0] * N  # histogram of IMG_IN
for x in range(width):
    for y in range(height):
        sum[pix[x, y]] += 1
```

where pix is the image access object of IMG_IN. and width and height are weight and height of IMG_IN.

Second, calculate the cumulative histogram. To do this, simply iterate i from 1 to 255, and the cumulative histogram value at i is the sum of the cumulative histogram value at i-1 and the histogram value at i and the cumulative histogram value at 0 is equal to the histogram value at 0.

```
s = [0] * N  # cumulative histogram of IMG_IN
s[0] = sum[0]
for i in range(1, N):
    s[i] = s[i-1] + sum[i]
```

Finally, assign the intensity after doing histogram equalization to the new pixel, which follows the rules in the description and calculate the histogram of new image.

```
histogram = [0] * N  # histogram of IMG_OUT
for x in range(width):
    for y in range(height):
        pix_he[x, y] = int(255 * s[pix[x, y]] / size)
        histogram[pix_he[x, y]] += 1
```

where pix_he is the image access object of the new IMG_OUT, size is the total number of pixels and histogram is the histogram of new image.

As for histogram plotting, matplotlib.pyplot.bar(left, height, color) can help us. left is sequence of scalars, which are the x coordinates, height is also the sequence of scalars, which are the heights of the bars, and color is the color of the bars.

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ind = range(N)
plt.bat(ind, histogram, color='black')
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where ind is the list from 0 to 255, histogram is the list with the statistic data mentioned above.