

# **DIGITAL IMAGE PROCESSING**

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## **Image Restoration : Session 1**

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# Today's Lecture

- **Image Restoration**
  - **Noise Model**

# Image Restoration

- ❑ It is a process to recover an image that has been degraded by using a **prior knowledge** of the degradation phenomenon.
- ❑ Model the degradation and applying the inverse process in order to recover the original image.
- ❑ **Image enhancement** is largely a **subjective process**, while **image restoration** is mostly a **objective process**.

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The model of the degraded image is given in the frequency domain

where the terms in capital letters are the Fourier transforms of the corresponding terms in the previous equation.

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## Noise Sources

- The principal sources of noise in digital images arise during **image acquisition and/or transmission**
- ✓ **Image acquisition:** Depends on the quality of the sensing elements  
e.g., sensor temperature, light levels etc.
- ✓ **Transmission:** Due to interference in the channel used for transmission  
e.g., lightning or other atmospheric disturbance in wireless network

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## Noise Model 1

### ■ White noise

- The Fourier spectrum of noise is constant
  - The terminology “white” comes from the physical properties of white light, which contains nearly all frequencies in the visible spectrum in **equal proportions**.
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- With the exception of spatially periodic noise, we assume
    - Noise is independent of spatial coordinates
    - Noise is uncorrelated with respect to the image itself



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## Noise Model 2

- **Gaussian noise**

Electronic circuit noise, sensor noise due to poor illumination and/or high temperature

- **Rayleigh noise**

Range imaging

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## Gaussian Noise

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## Gaussian Noise

- 70% of its values will be in the range
- 95% of its values will be in the range

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## Rayleigh Noise

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## Noise Model 3

- **Erlang (gamma) noise:** Laser imaging
- **Exponential noise:** Laser imaging
- **Uniform noise:** Least descriptive; Basis for numerous random number generators
- **Impulse noise:** Quick transients, such as faulty switching

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## Erlang (Gamma) Noise

Here  $a > 0$  and  $b$  is an integer

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## **Exponential Noise**

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## Uniform Noise



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## **Impulse (Salt-and-Pepper) Noise**



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**Examples of Noise: Original Image**

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**Examples of Noise: Noisy Images**

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**Examples of Noise: Noisy Images**

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## Periodic Noise

- Periodic noise in an image arises typically from electrical or electromechanical interference during image acquisition.
- It is a type of spatially dependent noise
- Periodic noise can be reduced significantly via frequency domain filtering

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## **Example of Periodic Noise**

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## **Estimation of Noise Parameters**



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**Restoration in the Presence of Noise Only**

**Spatial Filtering**

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## **Spatial Filtering:** Mean Filters(1)

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## **Spatial Filtering:** Mean Filters(2)

Generally, a geometric mean filter achieves smoothing comparable to the arithmetic mean filter, but it tends to lose less image detail in the process

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## **Spatial Filtering:** Mean Filters(3)

It works well for salt noise, but fails for pepper noise.  
It does well also with other types of noise like Gaussian noise.

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## **Spatial Filtering:** Mean Filters(4)

Q is the order of the filter.

It is well suited for reducing the effects of salt-and-pepper noise.  $Q > 0$  for pepper noise and  $Q < 0$  for salt noise.

# Spatial Filtering: Example(1)

# Spatial Filtering: Example(2)



## Spatial Filtering: Example(3)

# Next Class

## □ Image Restoration

### □ More Filters

**Thank you:  
Question?**