

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH  
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering  
ECE 1390 Introduction to Image Processing  
**Computer Project 2      (Fall 2017)**

Assigned:      Oct 26  
Due:            Nov 15  
References:    Sections 3.1-3.7 and 4.7-4.10 (Gonzalez and Woods 3<sup>rd</sup> edition)

**Problem 2.1 :** Low pass filtering in spatial domain

- a) Write a function `w=gaussKernel(m,sigma)` that uses the equation  $G(x,y) = Ke^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$  to generate a Gaussian lowpass filter of size  $m \times m$ .
- b) Read the image `testpattern.tif` and lowpass filter it using a Gaussian kernel large enough to blur the image so that the large letter “a” is readable and the other letters are not. Display your final result.

**Problem 2.2:** Image sharpening in spatial domain

- a) Read the image `blurrymoon.tif` and sharpen it using unsharp masking. Use a Gaussian lowpass kernel of your choice for the blurring step. Display your final result.
- b) Improve the sharpness of your result using highboost filtering. Display your final result.
- c) Sharpen the `blurrymoon.tif` image using the Laplacian kernel in Figure 3.37 (c). Display your final result. Compare your result of part c to the result of part b.

**Problem 2.3:** Lowpass filter transfer functions in frequency domain

- a) Write a function `H=lpfilterTF(type,P,Q,param)` to generate a  $P \times Q$  lowpass filter transfer function,  $H$ , with the following properties. If `type='ideal'`, `param` should be a scalar equal to the cutoff frequency  $D_0$  in equation 4.8-1. If `type='gaussian'`, `param` should be a scalar value equal to the standard deviation  $D_0$  in equation 4.8-7. If `type='butterworth'`, `param` should be a  $1 \times 2$  array (vector) containing the cutoff frequency and filter order  $[D_0, n]$  in equation 4.8-5.
- b) Generate a lowpass ideal filter transfer function of size  $512 \times 512$  with  $D_0 = 96$ . Display your result as an image.
- c) Generate a lowpass Gaussian filter transfer function of size  $512 \times 512$  with  $D_0 = 96$ . Display your result as an image.
- d) Generate a lowpass Butterworth filter transfer function of size  $512 \times 512$  with  $D_0 = 96$  and  $n = 2$ . Display your result as an image.

**Problem 2.4** Highpass filter transfer functions in frequency domain.

- a) Write a function `H=hpfilterTF(type,P,Q,param)` to generate a  $P \times Q$  highpass filter transfer function,  $H$ , with the following properties. If `type='ideal'`, `param` should be a scalar equal to the cutoff frequency  $D_0$  in equation 4.9-2. If `type='gaussian'`, `param` should be a scalar value equal to the standard deviation  $D_0$  in equation 4.9-4. If `type='butterworth'`, `param` should be a  $1 \times 2$  array (vector) containing the cutoff frequency and filter order  $[D_0, n]$  in equation 4.9-3.

- b) Generate a highpass ideal filter transfer function of size  $512 \times 512$  with  $D_0 = 96$ . Display your result as an image.
- c) Generate a highpass Gaussian filter transfer function of size  $512 \times 512$  with  $D_0 = 96$ . Display your result as an image.
- d) Generate a highpass Butterworth filter transfer function of size  $512 \times 512$  with  $D_0 = 96$  and  $n = 2$ . Display your result as an image.

**Problem 2.5** Filtering in frequency domain

- a) Write a function `g=fdfiltering(f,H)` to filter image `f` with a given transfer function `H`. Your function should implement the seven steps described in Section 4.7.3.
- b) To test your function,
  - i. Read the images `testpattern.tif` and `blurrymoon.tif`
  - ii. Use the function `lpfilterTF` from Problem 2.3 to generate the transfer function for a Butterworth lowpass filter with cutoff frequency 32 and order 2. Filter these two images and display your results.
  - iii. Use the function `hpfilterTF` from Problem 2.4 to generate the transfer function for a Butterworth highpass filter with cutoff frequency 16 and order 2. Filter these two images and display your results.