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ECE 1390 Introduction to Image Processing
Computer Project 3 (Fall 2017)

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Due: Dec 10

References: Sections: 5.1-5.10, 9.1-9.6, and 10.1-10.6 (Gonzalez and Woods 3rd edition)

Problem 3.1: Spatial Filtering – in the following, g is a noisy input image, and $m \times n$ is the size of the neighborhood that defines the filter size.

- a) Write a function $f_hat = aMean(g, m, n)$ that implements the arithmetic mean filter defined in Eq. (5.3-3).
- b) Write a function $f_hat = geoMean(g, m, n)$ that implements the geometric mean filter defined in Eq. (5.3-4).
- c) Write a function $f_hat = ctharMean(g, m, n, q)$ that implements the contraharmonic mean filter defined in Eq. (5.3-6). Here q is the order of the filter.
- d) Write a function $f_hat = medianFilter(g, m, n)$ that implements a median filter of size $m \times n$.
- e) Read the image `circuitboard_gaussian.tif` and use the functions `aMean` and `geoMean` to filter the Gaussian noise.
- f) Read the images `circuitboard_salt.tif` and `circuitboard_pepper.tif`, and use the function `ctharMean` to filter the salt noise and pepper noise.
- g) Read the image `circuitboard_saltandpepper.tif` and use function `medianFilter` to filter the salt and pepper noise.

Problem 3.2: Erosion and Dilation – In the following, I is an input image of size $M \times N$, B is a structuring element (SE) of size $m \times n$. Hint: Similar to convolution and correlation, to accommodate all possible excursions of B , pad I with m rows above and below and n columns to the left and right.

- a) Write a function $E = morphoErode(I, B)$ for performing morphological erosion of binary image I with SE B .
- b) Write a function $D = morphoDilate(I, B)$ for performing morphological dilation of binary image I with SE B .
- c) Read the image `UTK.tif`. Using a 3×3 SE of 1s, erode this image successively three times and display your result.
- d) Read the image `UTK.tif`. Using a 3×3 SE of 1s dilate this image successively three times and display your result.

Problem 3.3: Thinning and Pruning- In the following, I is an input image of size $M \times N$, B is a sequence of K structuring elements of size $m \times n \times K$. Hint: Similar to convolution and correlation, to accommodate all possible excursions of B , pad I with m rows above and below, and n columns to the left and right.

- a) Write a function, $T = \text{morphoThin}(I, B)$ for thinning the foreground of binary image I using a sequence of K , 3×3 structuring elements contained in $3 \times 3 \times K$ array, B . Hint: Use the SEs from Fig. 9.21. Implement hit or miss transformation as an erosion and you can use your function `morphoErode` from 3.2.a
- b) Write a function $P = \text{morphoPrun}(I, \text{numthin}, \text{numdil})$ to prune the foreground of binary image I . The structuring elements and methods used are described in Fig. 9.25. Parameter `numthin` is the number of times the thinning algorithm is applied to delete end points and `numdil` is the number of dilations done at the end. Generally you will want `numdil` to be less than or equal to `numthin`. Hint: you can use your function `morphoDilate` from 3.2.b for dilation, and your function `morphoThin` from 3.3.a.
- c) Read image `UTK.tif` and apply `morphoThin` to it. Present your results.
- d) Apply `morphoPrun` to the thinned image from (c) and present your results. Hint: `numdil` is much smaller than `numthin` and start with a small number for `numthin`.

Problem 3.4: Edge Detection – In the following, f is the input image; `type` represents the type of kernel used to compute the gradient (`prewitt` or `sobel` corresponding to the kernels presented in Fig. 10.14) ; and T is the threshold which is in the range $[0,1]$.

- a) Write a function $g = \text{edgeMag}(f, \text{type}, T)$ for computing the magnitude of the gradient of image f .
- b) Write a function $\text{ang} = \text{edgeAngle}(f, \text{type}, T)$ for computing the edge angle image.
- c) Read the image `building.tif`, compute edge magnitude image using the Sobel kernels, and threshold the image with $T=1$. Present your result.
- d) Read the image `building.tif`, compute the angle image, threshold the image with $T=0$. Present your result.

Problem 3.5: Otsu global thresholding

- a) Write a function $[g, \text{sep}, \text{kstar}] = \text{otsuThresh}(f)$ that implements the Otsu thresholding algorithm discussed in Section 10.3.
- b) Read the image `polymercell.tif` and threshold it using function `otsuThresh`. Display your result to confirm that you get the same result as Figure 10.39 (d)