Assignment 2: Where are the Airplanes?

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1 IMAGE DENOISING

In this assignment you will implement an image processing algorithm to determine the approximate location of parked air planes in a zoomed part of the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport. The satellite RGB images you have access to have their Y (luminance), C_b and C_r (chrominances) components corrupted by Gaussian noise, impulsive salt-and-paper noise and texture caused by the presence of an unwanted frequency components, respectively. The first step of your algorithm is to generate a single denoised image. Figure 1.1 (a) and (b) show examples of a noisy and a denoised image, respectively. To perform this task, use spatial and frequency domain filtering. With the exception of the Fast Fourier Transform, do not use any built-in function to perform filtering.





Figure 1.1: Zoomed part of the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport: (a) noisy image; and (b) denoised image.

2 FINDING THE AIRPLANES

Next you will use the denoised image generate in Section 1 to find where the airplanes are parked. First you must manually define an airplane template. Figure 2.1 shows an example. Airplanes must be found via correlation in the YC_bC_r color space (you must implement the convolution algorithm). You will need to generate slightly rotated versions of your template in order to contemplate all the airplanes that appear in the image (you may use any built-in function to perform image rotation). Taking a vertical axis as the reference, rotate the template from -45° to 45° using 9° increments. The output of your algorithm are the approximate locations of the airplanes. You are free to propose additional techniques to improve the accuracy of your algorithm.



Figure 2.1: Airplane template.