

(Digital)

- # For numerical data processing, digital processing computer is more preferred than a human being.
- # For non-numerical data processing, the birth of the artificial/intelligence took place.

visual information which we capture from society and environment.

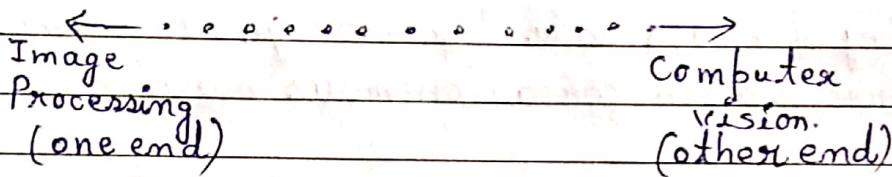


Image : a multidimensional function of spatial coordinates $f(x, y)$ for 2D (photograph)
 $f(x, y) \rightarrow \text{intensity}$ } (x, y, z) for 3D (CT scan)
image (x, y, t) for movies.

Digital Image : discretized both in spatial coordinates and amplitude levels.

$$I = \{(x, f(x)) : x \in X, f(x) \in F\}$$

$X \rightarrow$ point set

$F \rightarrow$ amplitude set.

Types of images - $(x, f(x))$ is a pixel

- 1) Digital
- 2) Optical (eg. lenses)
- 3) Electrical-analog (eg. TVs)
↳ x, y and $f(x, y)$ is continuous

Advantages of digital :-

① Precision:-

No quality degradation in digital image.
(thousand of copies)

② Flexibility:-

Dozens of variations are possible (brightness, contrast)

a digital image transmission needs high frequency bandwidth.

Analog image → Spatial sampling → Amplitude quantization → Digital image.

Objective of Digital Image Processing →

- i) improvement of pictorial information for human perception.
- ii) processing of image data for storage, transmission and representation for autonomous machine perception.

→ Image Acquisition, Discretization, Representation (for efficient storage and transmission)

2) Denoising (improving the visual quality)

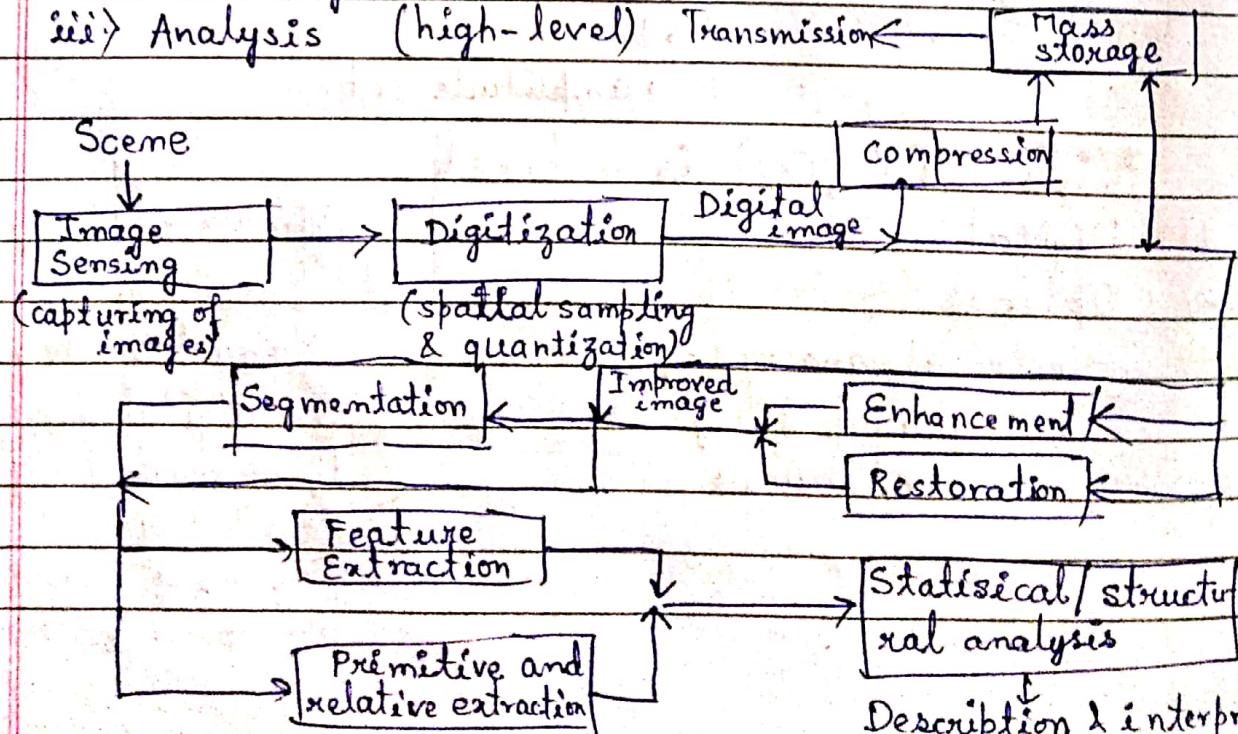
3) partition background from objects (segmentation)

4) Translation, Rotation, Scaling.

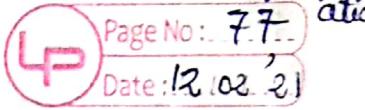
i) Discretize and representation (low-level)

ii) Processing (mid-level)

iii) Analysis (high-level)



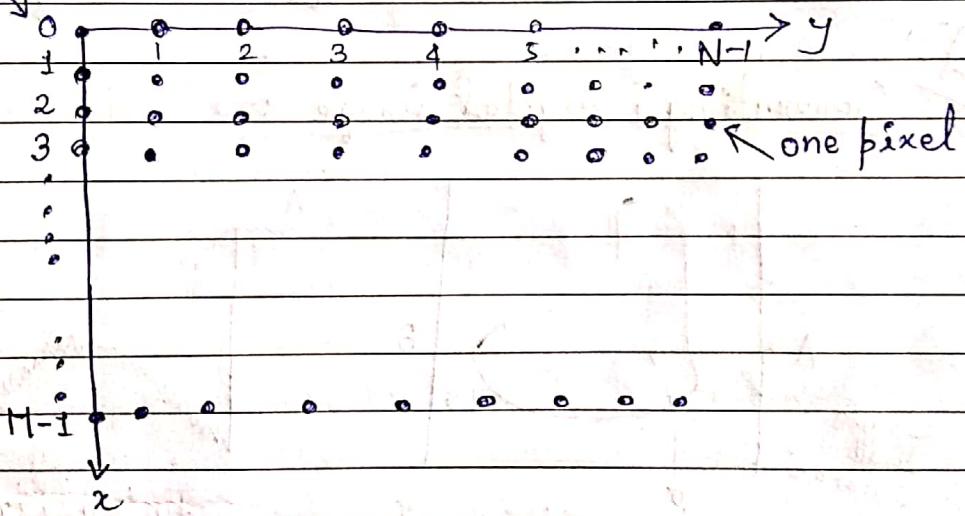
heuristic approach) Enhancement → don't need to understand the nature of degradation
Restoration → need to understand the nature of degradation
(objective approach) (there is some capturing degradation)



$f(x, y)$ convolves with $h(x, y)$ to result $g(x, y)$

Segmentation → The image is a collection of objects and objects have to be partitioned from background.

Object is a set of pixels with certain connectivity.
Origin



$$f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} f(0,0) & f(0,1) & \dots & f(0, N-1) \\ f(1,0) & f(1,1) & \dots & f(1, N-1) \\ \vdots & & & \\ f(M-1,0) & \ddots & \ddots & f(M-1, N-1) \end{bmatrix}; M \times N \text{ matrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} & \cdots & a_{0,N-1} \\ \vdots & & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_{M-1,0} & & \cdots & a_{M-1,N-1} \end{bmatrix}; a_{ij} = f(x=i, y=j)$$

~~#~~ Discretization im x & $y \rightarrow$ Sampling
~~#~~ Discretization im $f \rightarrow$ Quantization

Color image or

1) RGB image :-

each pixel contains a vector representing red, green and blue components.

2) Index image :-

each pixel contains index number pointing to a color in a color table.

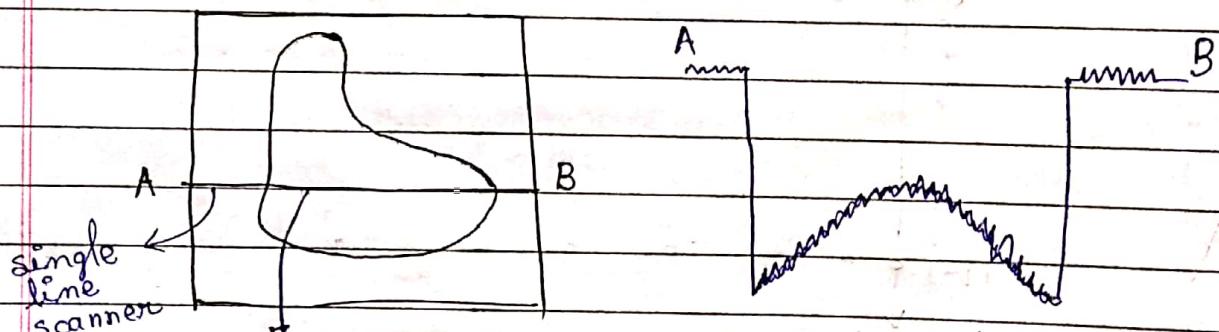
$$f(x, y) = i(x, y) \times r(x, y)$$

(illumination) (reflectance)

$$i(x, y) \in [0, \infty) \quad r(x, y) \in [0, 1]$$

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Generating a digital image :-



change in intensity
value as we move
across the line

Intensity
profile

(continues like function)

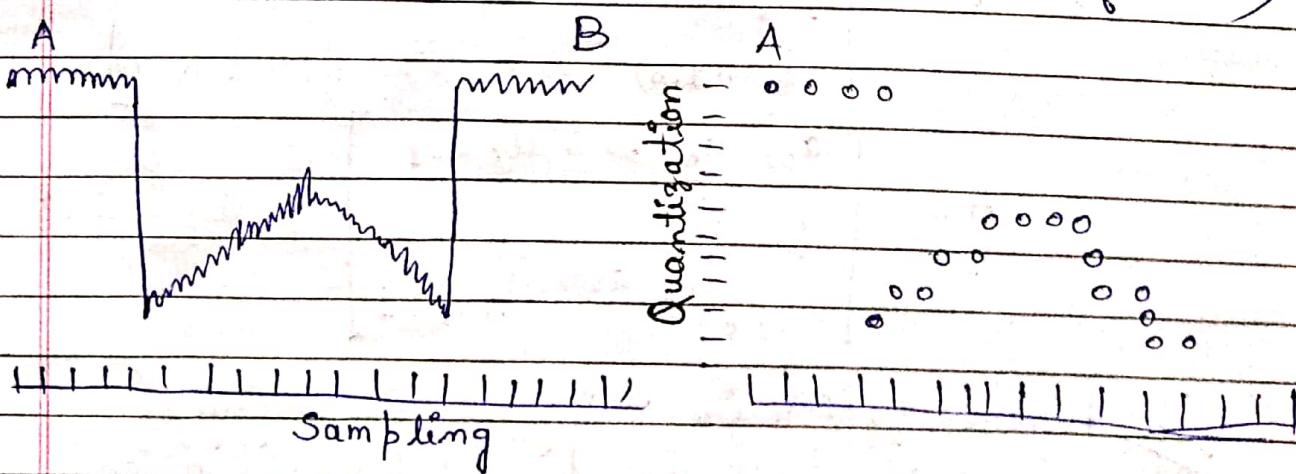
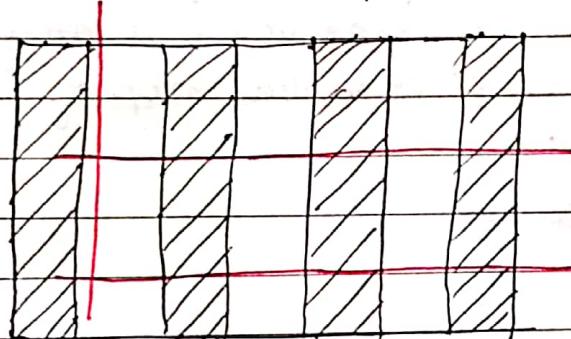


Image sampling: discretize an image in the spatial domain.

Spatial resolution / Image resolution: pixel size or number of pixels.

Given the area or field of view, a high resolution image means no. of pixels are more and they have a high information content.

How to choose the spatial resolution?



Down sampling
→
(Field of view is same)

256×256

A single pixel carries more information than the next one

128×128

(The size of a pixel is 4 times more than the previous one)

In a case of a 64×64 image, a small rectangle has the same intensity value, but in case of 256×256 image, it contains 16 diff. pixels having diff. intensity.

Can we increase spatial resolution by interpolation?

- # In case of interpolation, in b/w two rows, we can add another row which can contain the intensity of the two average rows.
- # Here, we are increasing the number of pixels but still the visual quality is not enhanced.
- # We need some intelligent interpolation.

Information content is related with the variation in the data.

Typical operations are:-

- 1) Remove the blur from an image
- 2) Smooth out graininess, speckle or noise in an image
- 3) Improve the contrast or other visual prop. of image prior to displaying it.
- 4) Magnify, minify.

Applications of Image Processing -

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| 1.) Office Automation. | 6.) Criminology |
| 2.) Industrial Automation | 7.) Astronomy and Space Applications. |
| 3.) Bio-medical | 8.) Meteorology |
| 4.) Remote Sensing | 9.) Information Technology |
| 5.) Scientific Applications. | 10.) Entertainment and Consumer Electronics. |

Relation of IP with other fields:-

Input	Output	
Image	Image Description	
Description	IP CG	IPR, CV Other Data Proc.

Adv. of IP over - a) Optical and Photographic

Disadv: i) Bandwidth ii) Speed and expense (a) Precision (b) Flexibility

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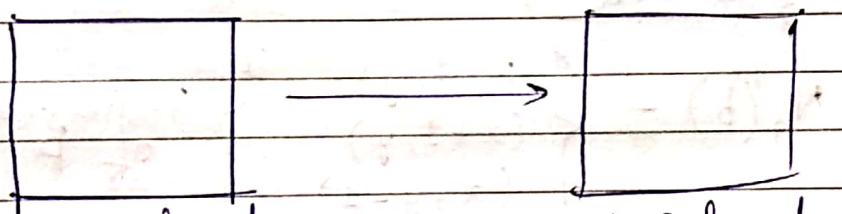
Image quantization:-

COLOR DEPTH / COLOR RESOLUTION

- 1) No. of colors or gray levels or
- 2) No. of bits representing each pixel value.
- 3) No. of colors or gray levels N_c is given by:-

$$N_c = 2^b$$

($b \leftarrow$ no. of bits)



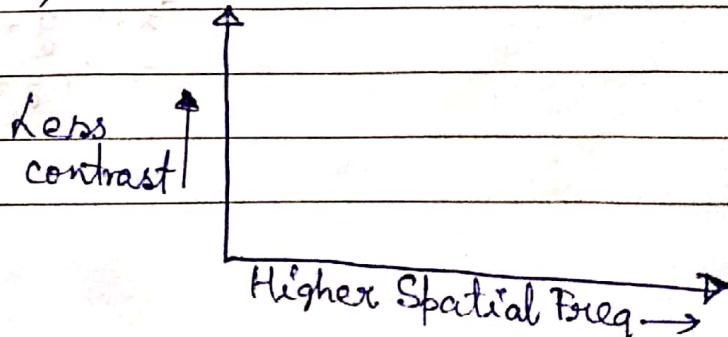
256 levels
(For representing each intensity value, we need 8 bits) \Rightarrow 128 levels.
($8/2 = 4$ bits)

Visual quality of an image depends \rightarrow (or can be changed)

- 1) Spatial resolution
- 2) Changing Color depth.

Low detail image

(need more pixel color depth)



	$(x-1, y-1)$	$(x, y-1)$	$(x+1, y-1)$
y	$(x-1, y)$	(x, y)	$(x+1, y)$
	$(x-1, y+1)$	$(x, y+1)$	$(x+1, y+1)$

Conventional Indexing method

Connected :- Intensity values are similar and they are neighbors (edge, diagonal)

Neighbours of a Pixel :-

$$N_4(p) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x-1, y) \\ (x+1, y) \\ (x, y-1) \\ (x, y+1) \end{array} \right\} \text{ 4-neighbors of } p$$

$\# q \in N_4(p)$ implies $p \in N_4(q)$

$$N_8(p) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x-1, y-1) \\ (x, y-1) \\ (x+1, y-1) \\ (x-1, y) \\ (x+1, y) \\ \vdots \end{array} \right\}$$

$$N_D(p) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x-1, y-1) \\ (x+1, y-1) \\ (x-1, y+1) \\ (x+1, y+1) \end{array} \right\} \text{ Diagonal neighbors of } p.$$

Connectivity :- Two pixels are connected if they are in the same class (same color or same range of intensity) and they are neighbors of one another.

A pixel p is adjacent to pixel q , if they are connected.

Path :- path from pixel p at (x, y) to pixel q at (s, t) is a sequence of

Distance :-

For pixel p, q , and z with coordinates $(x, y), (s, t)$ and (u, v) , D is a distance function or metric if:

- 1) $D(p, q) \geq 0$ ($D(p, q) = 0$ if and only if $p = q$)

- 2) $D(p, q) = D(q, p)$ (Symmetricity)

- 3) $D(p, z) \leq D(p, q) + D(q, z)$ (Triangle Inequality)

$$D_e(p, q) = \sqrt{(x-s)^2 + (y-t)^2} \quad \{ \text{Euclidean Distance} \}$$

$$D_1(p, q) = |x-s| + |y-t| \quad \{ \text{City-Block Distance} \}$$

$$D_\infty(p, q) = \max(|x-s|, |y-t|) \quad \{ \text{Chessboard distance} \}$$

Spatial Domain :- (Flexible, easy to manipulate)

Space where all pixels form an image.

(we represent an image by $f(x, y)$)

Images in spatial domain are picture in xy plane where "distance"

Frequency Domain ! - (Robust, computationally expensive)
is meaningful

Using Fourier Transform, word "distance" is lost but the word "Frequency" becomes alive.

Imaging

→ Image acquisition.

- # the process of sensing our surroundings and then representing the measurements in the form of an image.
- # different from that of image creation, the process of sensing involves sensor like camera.

Passive Imaging

- # makes use of already existing light (Ex- Sunlight sources.)
- # restricted to day time

Active imaging

- # makes use of artificial lights.
- # no restriction
- # complicated and expensive
- # takes training to perform.
- # Ex:- NMR, MRI, etc.
PET

extensively used in medical fields

needs control in radiation for safeguard and accurate diagnosis.

also used in remote sensing.

↳ SAR (Synthetic Aperture Radar)

enables capturing of images day and night.

Energy Sources :-

- # light is familiar and inherently safe
- # light can be generated reliably

Advantages of Silicon as a sensor →

- 1) # Reflected lights are linear in nature (visible lights)
- 2) # other integrated devices can be integrated on a chip easily. (**Charge Coupled Device**)
- 3) # Silicon as a CCD and 'Si' being a semiconductor device, all functions can be integrated in a chip.

Attributes of a Camera:-

- 1) Magnification factor
- 2) Light gathering capacity.

$$m = \frac{\text{Image size}}{\text{Object size}}$$

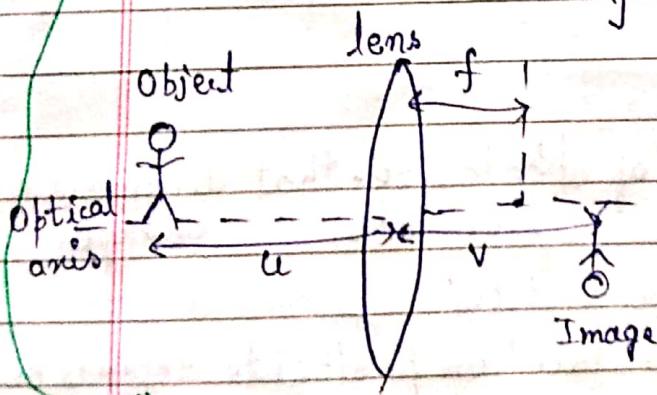
$$\frac{v}{u} = \frac{\text{image size}}{\text{object size}}$$

$$m = \frac{v}{u}$$

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v}$$

$$f = \frac{u m}{m + 1}$$

$$m = \frac{\text{image size}}{\text{object size}} = \frac{10}{100} = 0.1$$



- # Aperture is the light gathering capacity of a lens.
↳ denoted by f. number (dimensionless)

↳ obtained by dividing focal length. by diameter of the aperture.

Values of aperture are denoted by a sequence of numbers as f_{2.8}, f₄, f_{5.6}, f₈, f₁₁.
(incident power becomes half →)

Spherical Aberration

Central and off-central light rays are brought to focus at different distances.

Coma

occurs for obliquely incident light when the off-centre rays come to focus on one side of central rays, producing a comet shaped image of point object.

Pincushion Distortion

tendency of st. lines to be bowed inwards towards centre of image.

Barrel distortion

tendency of st. lines to be bowed outwards.

* Group of lenses can overcome this problem.

Aperture needs to be small ⇒ depth of image increases and should have highest resolving power.

CCD Sensor :-

Comprises of 2D-array of photosite, that accumulates (elements) charge.

Size of individual square $\approx 1 \text{ cm}^2$

Amount of charge accumulated on photosite depends on-

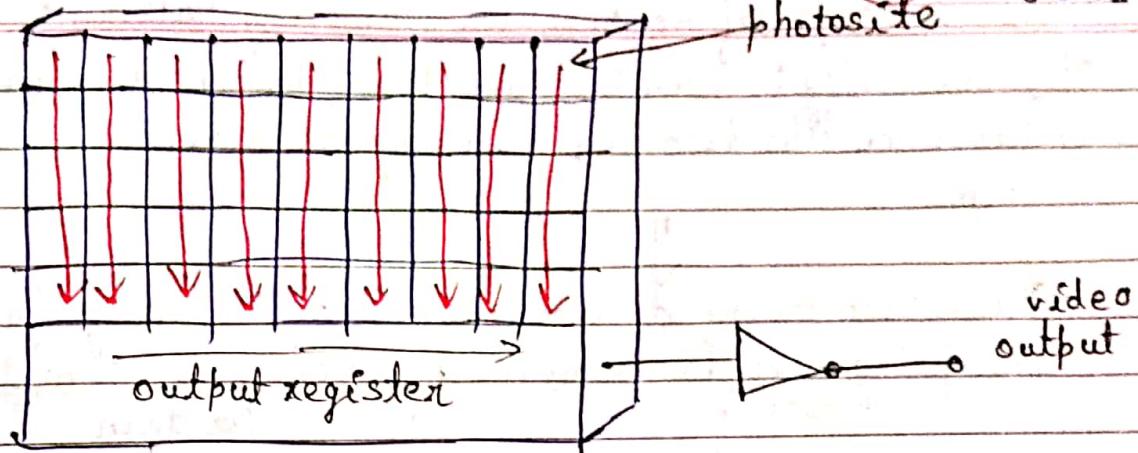
1) amount of light falling on it.

2) duration of illumination

→ can be max $\approx 10^6$

Thermally generated carriers are also there.

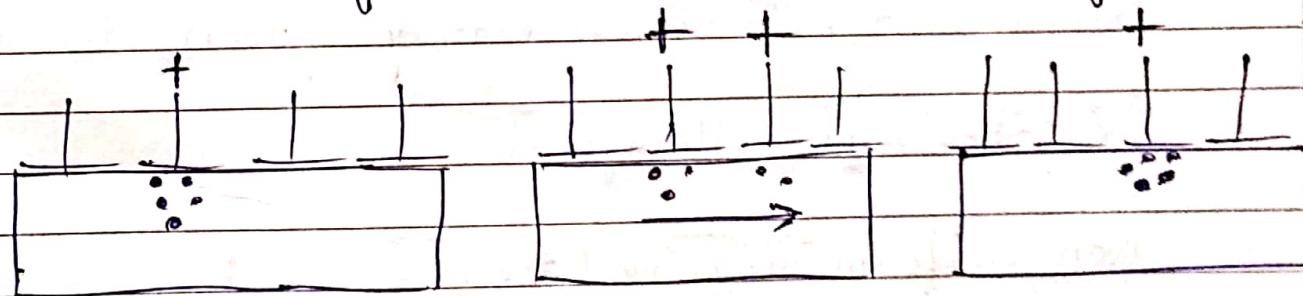
(Due to thermal agitation, there will movement of e⁻)



Even if there is no light falling, there will still be some thermally generated carriers, gives rise to dark current.

Electrodes shifts the accumulated charge to the register. There is a timing clock that activates the electrodes.

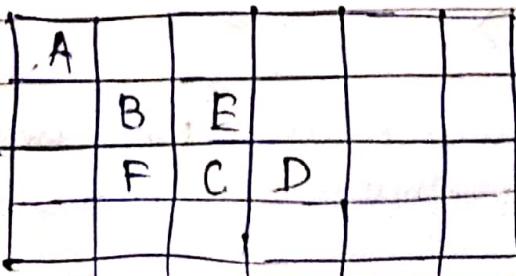
There is no defect unless the electrons are deflected.



Sampling Rate and Pattern

When the digitization, if we don't maintain the freq. doing as Nyquist's Sampling rate \Rightarrow Aliasing.

Rectangular Sampling Pattern



Disadvantages of Rectangular Sampling Pattern :-

- 1) Connectivity :- Even if E and F are disjoint, they are connected.
- 2) Distance b/w two centre along all directions are same

These two ~~dissta~~ disadvantages of Rectangular sampling rate is improved by Hexagonal sampling pattern.

of signal

Energies are mostly distributed around vertical or oriented natural horizontal direction in most of the images

→ Reasons for still using Rectangular Sampling Pattern.

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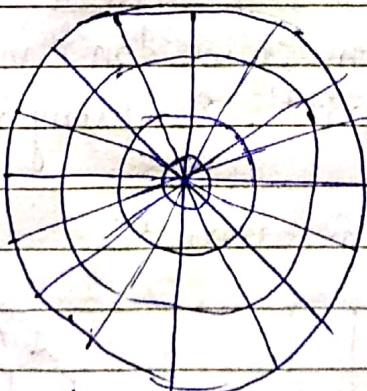
Uniform Sampling Pattern:-

Before perceiving the scene, it is difficult to tell which part ^{has} more visual clarity quality than other.

Ex:- Rectangular, Hexagonal.

Non-uniform Sampling Pattern:-

pixel is represented by r and θ.



(Log-polar Sampling)

(we can use this sampling pattern when we know that the centre part has more visual quality)

Rotation invariance :- if we are first given an image and then we perform rotation operations (or vice-versa), then it is rotation invariance if both are same or produce same effects.

This is called **Attentive Vision Strategy**

Image Enhancement in Spatial Domain

to improve the visual appearance of an image

Spatial Domain :- Directly manipulating the pixel value.

Frequency Domain :- doing the Fourier transformation, applying some manipulation, then doing inverse Fourier transformation.

- Operate directly on pixels composing an image
- Pixel gray level info. is used.
- Gray level of pixel $f(x, y)$ is denoted by $g(x, y) = T[f(x, y)]$.
- Usually, a neighborhood about image position (x, y) is considered by using a square or rectangular pixel area centered at (x, y) .

Generally, $f(x, y)$ is random. So, it can be represented by a random variable. Similarly, for $g(x, y)$.

To improve the visual quality →

a) **Contrast Stretching** :-

Black to be pushed towards black and white towards white

T can be working as:-

- a) Point Processing
- b) Neighborhood Processing
- c) Ensemble of Images.

When the neighborhood is 1×1 , then g depends only on the value of f at that (x, y) and T becomes a gray-level transformation (or mapping) function

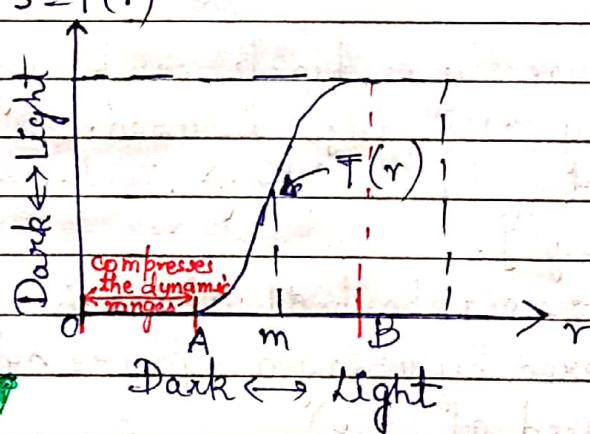
$$s = T(r)$$

r, s : gray levels of $f(x, y)$ and $g(x, y)$ at (x, y)

Point Processing Techniques (eg → contrast stretching, thresholding, etc.)

Gray Level Transformation :-

$$\begin{array}{ccc} s = T(r) & & \\ \text{output intensity} & \leftrightarrow & \text{input intensity} \\ s = T(r) & & \end{array}$$

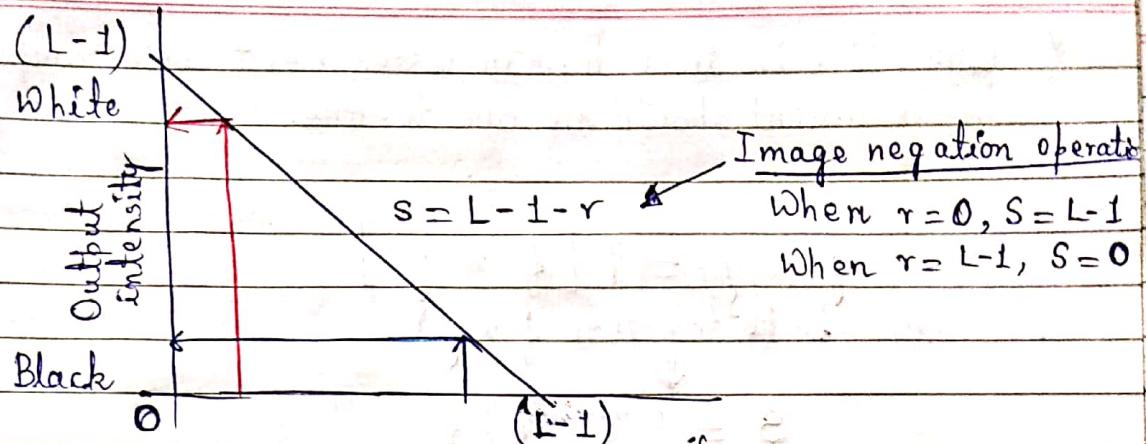


Contrast Enhancement.

(the diff. b/w dark and light is $\rightarrow A - B$ enhanced).

Contrast Stretching:-

Any value below ' m ' is considered as Dark and any value above ' m ' is considered as Light.



L = no. of gray levels. (if a small light region is hugely dominated by a dark region or vice-versa, we can go for negation)

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(Image Enhancement)

- # Approaches are application specific.
- # Some subjective scores are assignment. In case of computers, they calculate objective scores.

PSNR (Peak Signal to Noise Ratio)
(quantitative measure)

- # Image quality may not be right because of the wrong image acquisition process.

An excellent ^{image} should have higher numerical values than a poor quality image. But this is not always the case in real scenario.

Assessment we do is w.r.t to the poor quality image, not with w.r.t. to the undistorted image as we don't have undistorted image.

SSIM (Structural Similarity Index measure)
(to assess how good an algorithm is)

Objective is that human assessment and computer assessment should be one-to-one.

$$g(x, y) = T[f(x, y)]$$

↳ better than $f(x, y)$

$$s = T(r)$$

random variable
that determines
enhanced image

random variable
that determines
the input image

Point processing :-

Each and every point should be process without considering their neighborhood or connectivity

$s = c \log(r+1)$

Expansion in dynamic range of output image by the lower part of input range.

Compression in dynamic range of output image by the higher part of input range.

For an inverse log, it is just the opposite.

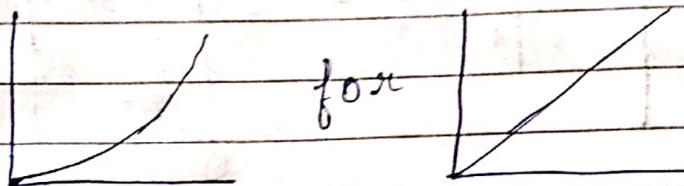
Fourier spectrum scales 0 - 255 to 0 - 10^6 .

But, our computer system can't store 10^6 so it maps it back to 255, so the values 180 - 200 will be mapped to very close to 0.

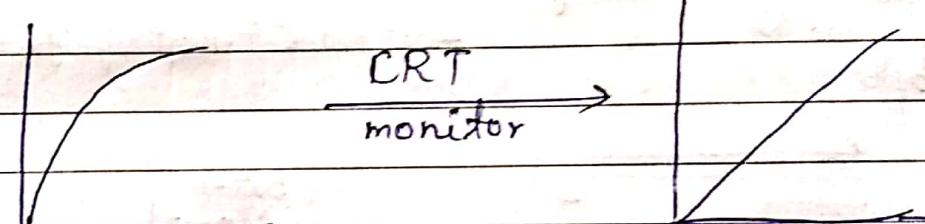
Power Law Transformations :-

$$S = C V^\gamma$$

Voltage to intensity mapping for a CRT monitor is:-

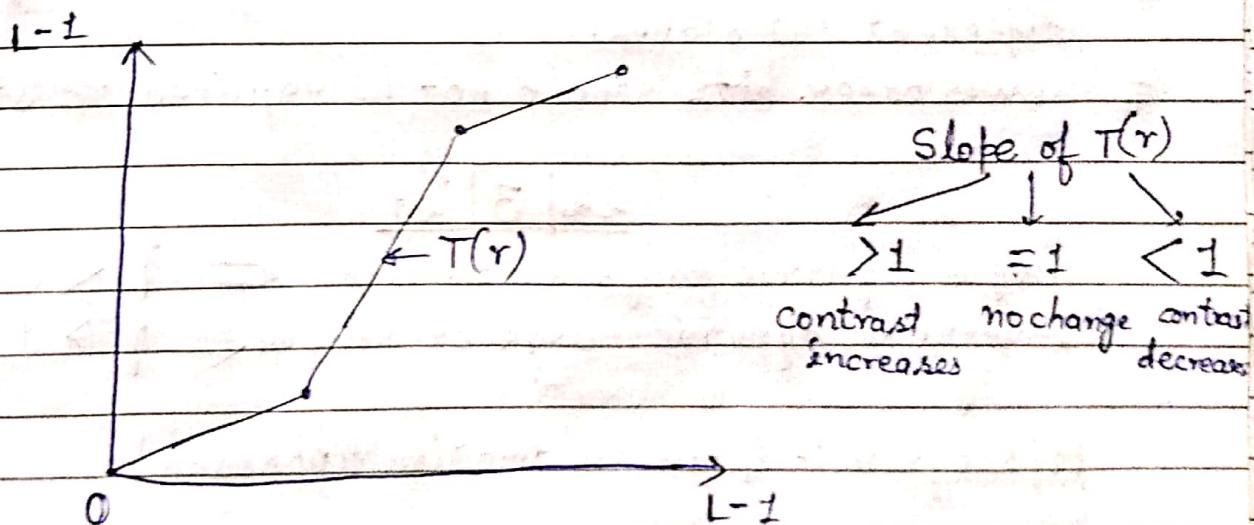


So, to avoid this, we use Gamma correction which first sets the input image to be fed to the CRT monitors like the inverse one →

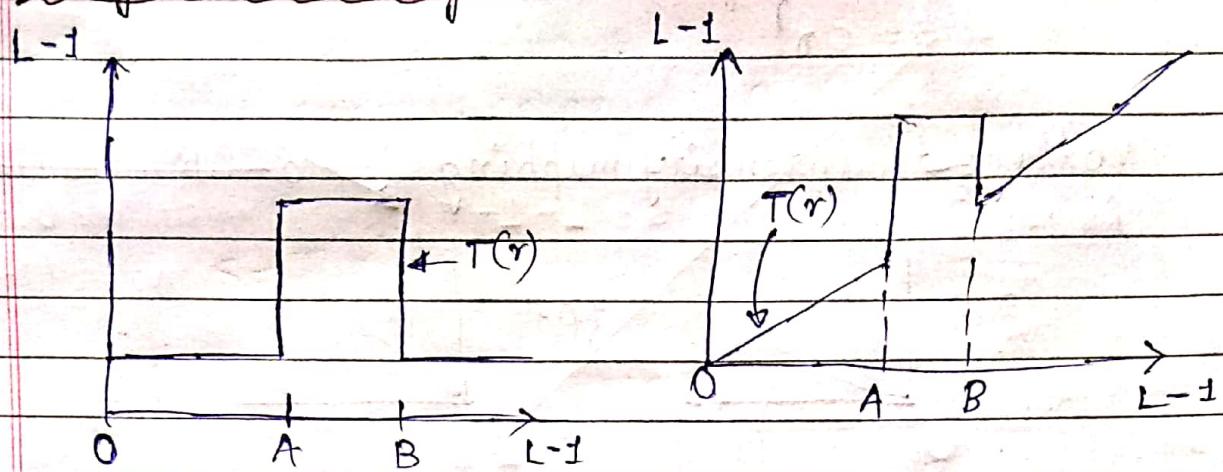


Contrast Stretching :-

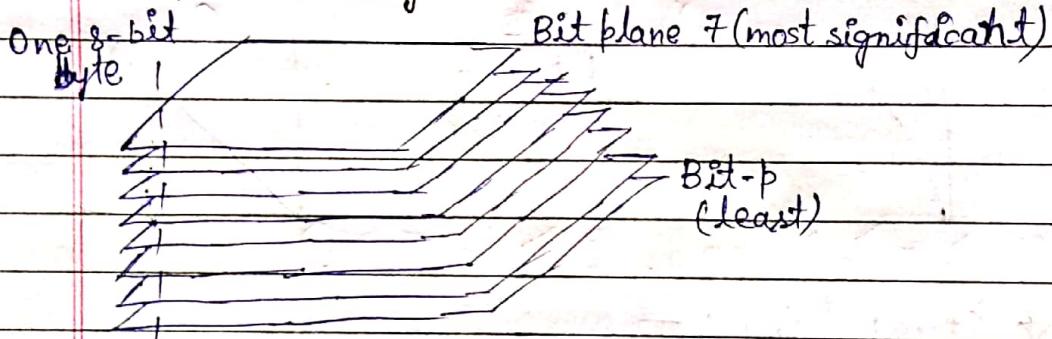
Contrast means the difference between brightest and darkest intensities



Gray Level Slicing:-



Bit-plane Slicing:-



- # Relatively different redundancy we can employ for different bit planes.
- # Lower order bits should not be required to store.

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$\log \leftarrow$ dynamic range compression $\leftarrow \gamma < 1$
 $\text{inverse} \leftarrow$ dynamic range expression $\leftarrow \gamma > 1$
 \log

Histogram:- (for automation approach)

no. of times a gray value occurs

When it is normalized, it gives as a probability.

also used in
Enhancement, Segmentation, Compression

$$h(r_k) = n_k$$

In case of a dark image, histogram is concentrated around the left side and in case of a bright image, it is concentrated around the right side

∴ We need an O/P image whose histogram will be stretched towards the whole dynamic range.

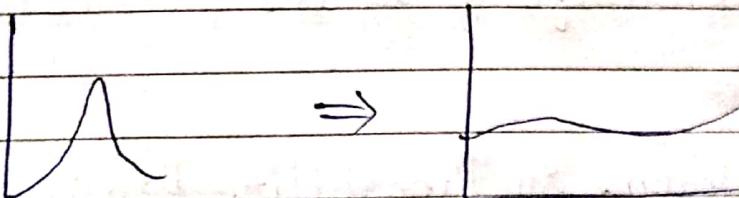
In case of a low contrast image, histogram is located in the middle of intensity value and in case of a high contrast image, it is distributed towards the whole dynamic range.

Requirements:-

- 1) histogram to be stretched across the dynamic range.
- 2) no. of intensity values should be also equal.
(as close to an uniform distribution)

Approaches :-

1) Histogram equalization :-



(Output should have a large dynamic range)

2) Histogram matching

To make the histogram as the desire of the customer

HISTOGRAM EQUALIZATION:-

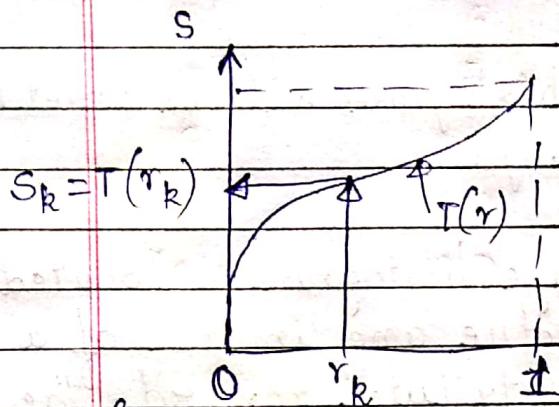
Assumptions

input image is a continuous/analog image

normalized dynamic range of $[0, 1]$

dark bright

$$s = T(r)$$



(An intuitive form of $T(r)$)

1>

T is single-valued and monotonically increasing.

(the dark is dark in O/P image and the bright is bright in O/P image)

(relative gradation of dark and bright image is preserved)

→ inversion for each ip value is possible

2> $0 \leq T(r) \leq 1$ for $0 \leq r \leq 1$

(normalized range of the O/P is preserved after applying the operation)

All. intensity should have same probability.

Best way to characterize 'r' is its probability density function.

Histogram is analogous to Probability Density Function (PDF) which represent density of population.

Let s and r be Random variables with PDF $p_s(s)$ and $p_r(r)$ respectively and relation b/w s and r is :-

$$s = T(r)$$

$$p_s(s) = p_r(r) \left| \frac{dr}{ds} \right|$$

If we have $p_r(r)$, we can go for Cumulative Density Function. We know that PDF is always +ve and if we go on adding it cumulatively (integration), it will be monotonically increasing.

$$\text{Let } S = T(r) = \int_0^r p_r(w) dw$$

cumulative
density function (CDF)

$$p_s(s) = p_r(r) \left| \frac{dr}{ds} \right|$$

$$= p_r(r) \cdot \left| \frac{\frac{1}{ds}}{\frac{dr}{ds}} \right| = p_r(r) \cdot \left| \frac{1}{\frac{d(r)}{dr}} \right|$$

$$= p_r(r) \cdot \left| \frac{1}{p_r(r)} \right| = 1$$

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LEIBNIZ'S RULE

Differentiating a definite integral w.r.t. to its upper limit value is basically the integrand value at the upper limit value

$$0 \leq p_s(s) \leq 1$$

∴ So, for discrete/digital image,

$$S_k = T(r_k) = \sum_{j=0}^k \overbrace{p_r(r_j)}^{\text{CDF}} \quad \begin{array}{l} (k \leftarrow k^{\text{th}} \text{ gray value}) \\ k = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, l-1\} \end{array}$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^k \frac{n_j}{N}$$

n_j = no. of pixels with intensity = j

N = No. of total pixels

Intensity	# pixels	Accumulative Sum	#
0	20	$20/100 = 0.2$	
1	5	$(20+5)/100 = 0.25$	
2	25	$(20+5+25)/100 = 0.5$	
3	10	$(20+5+25+10)/100 = 0.6$	
4	15	$(20+5+25+10+15)/100 = 0.75$	
5	5	$(20+5+25+10+15+5)/100 = 0.8$	
6	10	$(20+5+25+10+15+5+10)/100 = 0.9$	
7	10	$(20+5+25+10+15+5+10+10)/100 = 1.0$	
Total	100	1.0	

O/P Value Quantized output(s)

$0.2 \times 7 = 1.4$	1
$0.25 \times 7 = 1.75$	2
$0.5 \times 7 = 3.5$	3
$0.6 \times 7 = 4.2$	4
$0.75 \times 7 = 5.25$	5
$0.8 \times 7 = 5.6$	6
$0.9 \times 7 = 6.3$	6
$1.0 \times 7 = 7$	7

↳ Maximum intensity value

(can be 255 depending upon question)

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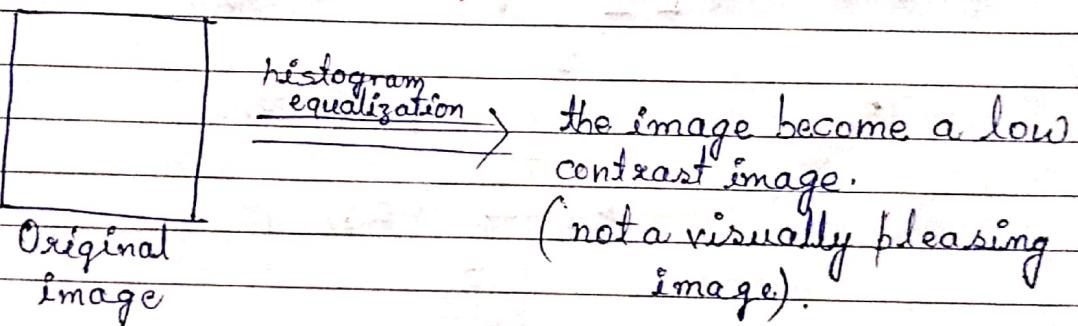
Histogram Equalization:-

Given an image, the processed image will be stretched across whole dynamic range and the probability of intensity values are the same.

Histogram matching :-

When the customer specifies the histogram of the output image, we can develop CDF and then normalize it and do the histogram equalization to get an histogram equalized image.

Histogram equalization is fully automatic, but histogram matching is user driven, so why does we need histogram matching?



From Histogram equalization,

$$s = T(r) = \int p_r(w) dw \quad \text{We get } p_s(s) = 1$$

We want an output image to have PDF $p_z(z)$

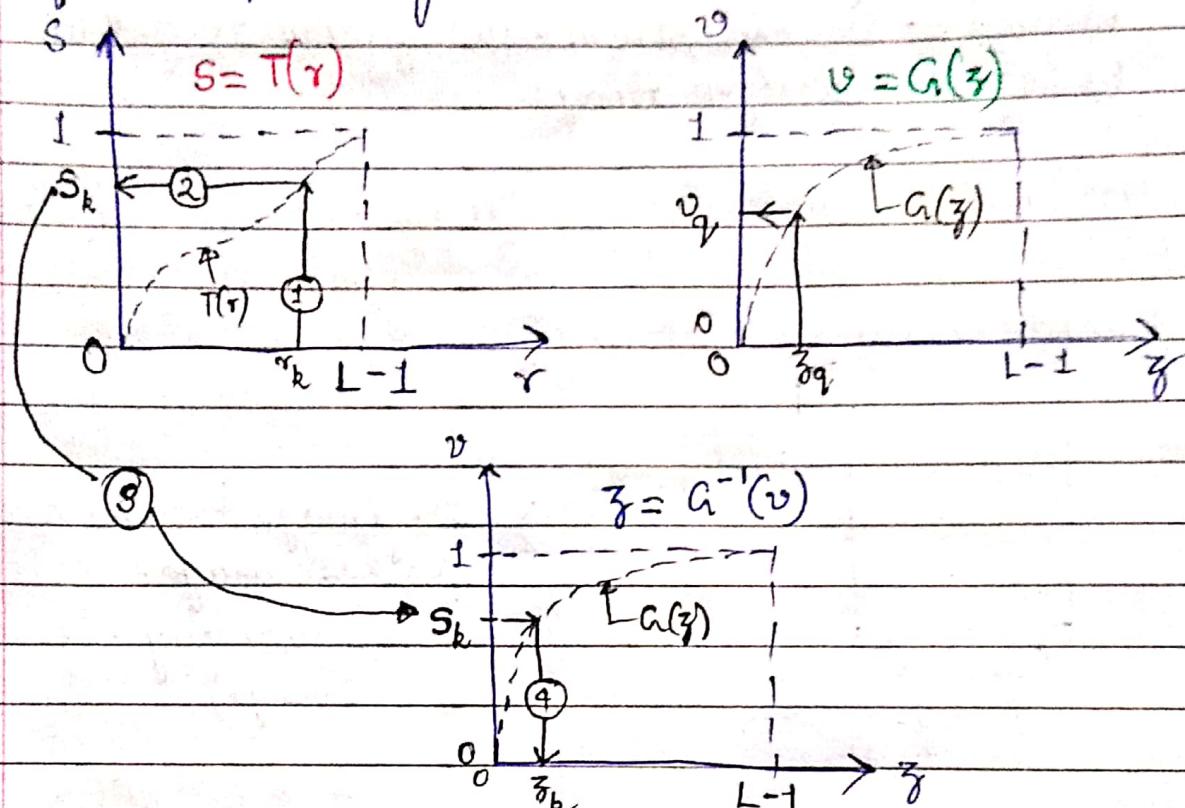
Apply histogram equalization to $p_z(z)$, we get

$$v = G(z) = \int_0^z p_z(u) du \quad \text{We get } p_v(v) = 1$$

Since, $p_s(s) = p_v(v) = 1$ therefore, s and v are equivalent.

$$r \xrightarrow{T(\cdot)} s \xrightarrow{G^{-1}(\cdot)} z$$

We have been given the input image and the histogram of the output image.



Ex:-

Input image histogram

Desired Histogram

	Intensity (s)	# pixels		Intensity (z)	# pixels
Original data \Rightarrow	0	20		0	5
	1	5		1	10
	2	25		2	15
	3	10		3	20
	4	15		4	20
	5	5		5	15
	6	10		6	10
	7	10		7	5
Total		100	Total		100

1) Applying Histogram equalization to both tables

r	n_j	$\sum P_r$	S
0	20	0.2	1
1	5	0.25	2
2	25	0.50	3
3	10	0.60	4
4	15	0.75	5
5	5	0.8	6
6	10	0.9	7
7	10	1.0	7

$$S_k = T(r_k)$$

\bar{z}	n_j	$\sum P_{\bar{z}}$	V
0	5	0.05	0
1	10	0.15	1
2	15	0.30	2
3	20	0.50	4
4	20	0.70	5
5	15	0.85	6
6	10	0.95	7
7	5	1.0	7

$$V_k = G(\bar{z}_k)$$

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2) Get a map:

$$r \rightarrow S$$

$$S \rightarrow V$$

$$V \rightarrow Z$$

r	s
0	1
1	2
2	3
3	4
4	5
5	6
6	6
7	7

$$S_k = T(r_k)$$

v	\bar{z}
0	0
1	2
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	4
6	5
7	6

$$Z_k = G^{-1}(v_k)$$

We get

r	\bar{z}
0	1
1	2
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	5
7	6

Actual o/p histogram

\bar{z}	# pixels
0	0
1	20
2	30
3	10
4	15
5	15
6	10
7	0

Local Enhancement : Local histogram Equalization

Perform histogram equalization on a small neighborhood.

We can use statistic measure parameters such as Mean, Variance of local area for image enhancement.

local mean global mean

$$g(x,y) = \begin{cases} B_0 f(x,y) & \text{when } m_{s_{xy}} \leq k_0 M_a \text{ and} \\ & R_1 D_a \leq \sigma_{s_{xy}} \leq k_2 D_g \\ f(x,y) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

mean

local variance global variance
deviation deviation

M_a = global deviation $k_2 < 1$

$$k_2 < 1$$

Local Enhancement : Histogram Statistic for Image Enhancement :-

Global Histogram treats the whole image as an identity.

Local Histogram treats the image as composed of several sub-images. It then applies histogram equalization on these sub-images.

Low contrast region needs change.

$$g(x,y) = \begin{cases} E \cdot f(x,y) & \text{when } m_s < k_0 M_a \\ & \text{and } k_1 D_a \leq S_{xy} \leq k_2 D_a \\ f(x,y), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Logic Operations :-

pixel values are converted into bit plane representation

AND, OR, NOT

at least
two images

↳ a single image

logical mask of OR/AND is used to take out the region of interest.

Arithmetic Operations :-

Subtraction :-

(a)	Original Image	After setting four lower-bit planes to zero	(b)
(c)	Dif. b/w (a) and (b)	Histogram equalized difference image	(d) Error image

Subtraction of an image with an entirely different image \Rightarrow we have to check which image is totally leading the other image.

Subtraction of two sequence of frames in a video can lead to the tracking of the moving object.

Image Averaging :-

Noise reduction

Degraded image :- $g(x, y) = f(x, y) + \eta(x, y)$

(noise)

(may be white Gaussian
image noise)

Image averaging:-

$$\bar{g}(x, y) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K g_i(x, y)$$

Zero Mean

Goal should be to eliminate the effect of $\eta(x, y)$ so that $f(x, y) \approx \bar{g}(x, y)$

Averaging results in reducing of Noise variance

$$\sigma_{\bar{g}(x, y)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \sigma_{\eta(x, y)}$$

We can use subtraction to determine which image is closer to the original image without noise as it will be more black.

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Basics of Spatial Filtering :-

Multiple copies of noise image can lead to transmission and storage problem

When we are going for cleaning noise, we can loose signal points.

Noise is high frequency content.

As we have a single copy of noise image, pixel to pixel addition is not possible. Since, there is no multiple copies, averaging will be done w.r.t the local neighbourhood.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccccc} f(x_1, y_1) & f(x_2, y_2) & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ f(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) & f(x_{n+2}, y_{n+2}) & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{array} \right] \times \left[\begin{array}{c} w_1 \quad w_2 \quad \dots \\ w_{n+1} \quad w_{n+2} \quad \dots \end{array} \right]$$

Filter

Basically, we are doing a convolution operation and then taking an average (window of filter)

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 3 & 4 & 4 \\ \hline 9 & 7 & 6 \\ \hline 3 & 6 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{aligned}
 y = & \frac{1}{9} \cdot 3 + \frac{1}{9} \cdot 4 + \frac{1}{9} \cdot 4 \\
 & + \frac{1}{9} \cdot 9 + \frac{1}{9} \cdot 7 + \frac{1}{9} \cdot 6 \\
 \xrightarrow{\quad X \quad} & + \frac{1}{9} \cdot 3 + \frac{1}{9} \cdot 6 + \frac{1}{9} \cdot 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Mask/
Window)

Template

Imagine that we have a 3×3 window that can be placed anywhere on the image.

Step-1 :- Move the window to the first location where we want to compute the average value and then select only pixels inside the window.

Step-2 :- Compute the average value.

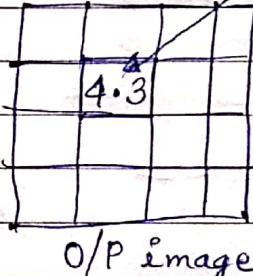
$$y = \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{1}{9} \cdot p(i, j)$$

2	4	1	2	6	2
9	2	3	4	4	4
7	2	9	7	6	7
5	2	3	6	1	5
7	4	2	5	1	2



2	4	1
9	2	3
7	2	9

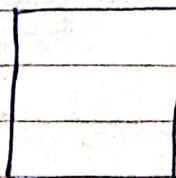
$$y = \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{1}{9} \cdot p(i, j)$$



O/P image

Step-3 :- Place the result at the pixel in O/P image.

Step-4 :- Move the window to the next location and go to step 2.



A masking window

* 3x3 averaging method is an example of mask operation/Spatial filtering.

* Mask operation has corresponding mask (sometimes called window or template).

* Mask contains coefficients to be multiplied with pixel values

Mask coefficients			moving average			
$w(1,1)$	$w(2,1)$	$w(3,1)$	$\frac{1}{9}$	1	1	1
$w(1,2)$	$w(2,2)$	$w(3,2)$		1	1	1
$w(1,3)$	$w(2,3)$	$w(3,3)$		1	1	1

[mask of 3x3 moving average filter
has all coefficients = $\frac{1}{9}$]

* Mask operation performed as :-

a) Move the reference point (center) of mask to location to be computed.

b) Compute sum of products b/w mask coefficients and pixels in subimage under the mask.

Subimage			mask frame		
$p(1,1)$	$p(2,1)$	$p(3,1)$	$w(1,1)$	$w(2,1)$	$w(3,1)$
$p(1,2)$	$p(2,2)$ (highlighted)	$p(3,2)$	$w(1,2)$	$w(2,2)$	$w(3,2)$
$p(1,3)$	$p(2,3)$	$p(3,3)$	$w(1,3)$	$w(2,3)$	$w(3,3)$

reference point of mask $y = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^M w(i,j) \cdot p(i,j)$

* Spatial filtering →

1) Move the mask over the image at each location

2)

3) Store results at corresponding pixels of o/p image.
Move mask to next location and go to step 2

Smoothing Filters:-

- 1) Mean :- size and shape of window over which mean is computed.

Square window

$$\begin{matrix} 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/9 \\ 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/9 \\ 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/9 \end{matrix}$$

plus shaped window

$$\begin{matrix} 1/5 \\ 1/5 & 1/5 & 1/5 \\ 1/5 \end{matrix}$$

$$M = m_k m_k^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Square mean filter is separable:-

Vertical and horizontal transpose product gives rise to the square mean filter

can be derived by the product of ^a row and column filter

- 2) Weighted Mean: A weighted mean is often used in which the weight for a pixel is related to its distance from the center point. The square weighted mean window is also separable.

square window

$$\begin{matrix} 1/16 & 1/8 & 1/16 \\ 1/8 & 1/4 & 1/8 \\ 1/16 & 1/8 & 1/16 \end{matrix}$$

plus shaped window

$$\begin{matrix} 1/6 \\ 1/6 & 1/3 & 1/6 \\ 1/6 \end{matrix}$$

$$w_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/4 \end{pmatrix} (1/4 \ 1/2 \ 1/4)$$

3.) Mode:-

A pixel value is replaced by its most common neighbour.

4.) Median:-

A pixel value is replaced by the median of its neighbours. The median of a set of numbers is the value such that 50% are above and 50% are below. Conceptually, simple but implementation involves sorting operation.

5.) K-nearest neighbour:-

Set $v(i,j)$ to the average of the k pixels in $n(i,j)$ whose values are closest to that of $v(i,j)$. A typical value of k is 6 for (3×3) window.

6.) Sigma filter:-

Set $v(i,j)$ equal to the average of all pixels in its neighbourhood whose value is within t counts of the value is within t counts of the value of $v(i,j)$, t is an adjustable parameter. This is called as sigma filter because the parameter t may be derived from sigma or standard deviation of pixel distribution.

Calculate the standard deviation of all pixels in the neighbourhood.

Then, include only those points/pixels to calculate average for which the difference is within this standard deviation.

7) Filters based on pixel values and gradients:-

$$v_{\text{out}}(i, j) = \frac{1}{2} v_{\text{in}}(i, j) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{(k, l) \in n_8} w(k, l) v_{\text{in}}(k, l)$$

where, $w(k, l)$ is inversely proportional to
 $|v_m(i, j) - v_m(k, l)|$

8) Maximum Homogeneity Filter:-

- a) Determine neighborhood of (i, j) most similar to v_{in}
- b) Apply some smoothing using only points from this neighborhood.

→ numerical value of pixel needs to be considered regardless of its location.

9) Filters of the form:

If (some condition)

Apply filter method 1.

else

Apply filter method 2

End if

Else

$v(i, j) = v(i, j)$

threshold

$|v(i, j) - v(i, j)| >$

$v(i, j) = v(i, j)$

Else

Leave $v(i, j)$ unchanged

End if

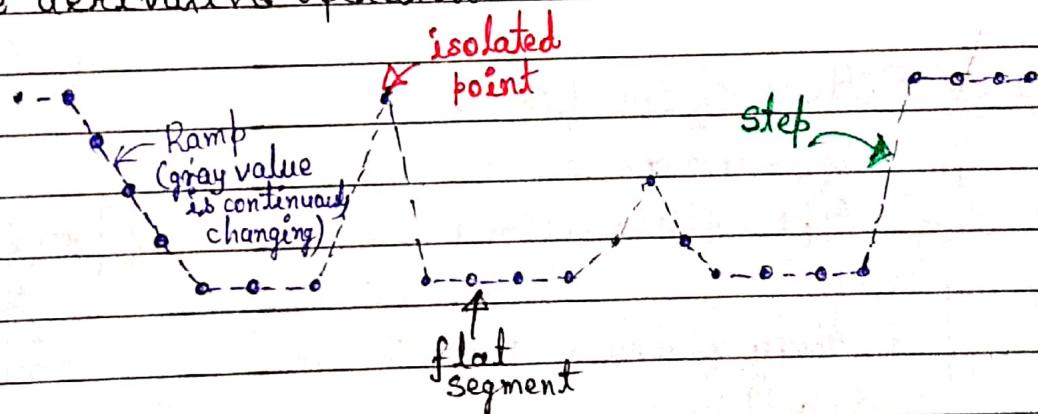
Sharpening Spatial Filters:-

- a) Differentiation operation.
- b) Includes applications, electronic printing, medical imaging to industrial application inspection and autonomous guidance in military systems.
- c) 1st order derivative → where gray values are same in an image
 - i) must be zero at flat segments
 - ii) must be non-zero at onset of a gray level step or ramp.
 - iii) must be non-zero along the ramps.
- d) 2nd order derivative → i) must be zero at flat segments.
 - ii) must be non-zero at the onset and at the end of a ramp.
 - iii) must be zero along the ramps.

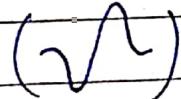
Averaging :- Clean the noise (edge preserving smoothing)

Sharpening :- Suppress the noise (enhancing the edge details)

① To define derivative operator.



* For step like function, second order derivatives have double line behaviour



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ w_1 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f(x+1) \\ f(x) \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = f(x+1) - f(x)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} f(x+1) & f(x) & f(x-1) \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = f(x+1) + f(x-1) - 2f(x)$$

② Developing filter coefficients :-

Sum of the filter coefficients must be zero.

→ As for a flat segment, first order derivative must be zero. For it to be zero, the relation must be like this b/w filter coefficients.

1st order derivative i.e thicker edges in an image while 2nd order derivative enhances fine details such as thin lines and isolated points.

1st derivative generally have a stronger response to a gray-level step and while 2nd order derivative produces a double response at step change in gray level.

2nd order derivative (scalar operation) is easy to implement. ↳ Laplacian operator. (*rotation invariant*)

Isotropic filters (rotation invariant).

$$\nabla = \underbrace{i \frac{d}{dx} + j \frac{d}{dy}}_{\text{unit vectors}}$$

$$\nabla^2 = \left(i \frac{d}{dx} + j \frac{d}{dy} \right) \cdot \left(i \frac{d}{dx} + j \frac{d}{dy} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 f = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = f(x+1, y) + f(x-1, y) - 2f(x, y)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y+1) + f(x, y-1) - 2f(x, y)$$

$$\nabla^2 f = f(x+1, y) + f(x-1, y) + f(x, y+1) + f(x, y-1) - 4f(x, y).$$

Image in
2-D
matrix
(3x3
neighbourhood)

$f(x-1, y-1)$	$f(x-1, y)$	$f(x-1, y+1)$
$f(x, y-1)$	$f(x, y)$	$f(x, y+1)$
$f(x+1, y-1)$	$f(x+1, y)$	$f(x+1, y+1)$

$\begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{matrix}$ } if we choose a kernel like
this, then convolving this
with 3x3 neighbourhood will
give the ∇^2 .

want to

change in
both x and
y direction

1	1	1
1	-8	1
1	1	1

} if we also take care of both
 $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$ and $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$ terms, then
this filter can be used.

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Smoothing operations loses the edge preservation,
thereby sharpening is used.
vector x

* First order derivative enhances the thick edges
* Second order , enhances the thin edges.
Scalar quantity.

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for other cases, 1st order derivatives
and 2nd order derivatives for
flat segments will be non-zero.

* Sum of the filter coefficients must be zero.

* Laplacian operator is rotation invariant.

-1	-1	-1
-1	8	-1
-1	-1	-1

0	-1	0
-1	4	-1
0	-1	0

→ center of mask is positive

1	1	1
1	-8	1
1	1	1

0	1	0
1	-4	1
0	1	0

→ center of mask is negative

$$g(x,y) = \begin{cases} f(x,y) - \nabla^2 f(x,y) & [\text{if center coefficient} \\ & \text{of Laplacian mask is} \\ & -ve] \\ f(x,y) + \nabla^2 f(x,y) & [-\text{do} -] \\ \text{added In oxdex} & +ve \end{cases}$$

to preserve the background tonality [to avoid ghost like appearance]

Application :- Enhance edge, line, point.

Disadvantage :- Enhances no flat segments (ghost like) appearance

0	-1	0
-1	5	-1
0	-1	0

$$f(x,y) - \nabla^2 f(x,y)$$

preserve enhances
the background the edge
tonality

(for directly implementing the $g(x,y)$)

$$P - \nabla^2 P$$

(Mask for ∇^2 is Composite Laplacian Mask)

-1	-1	-1
-1	9	-1
-1	-1	-1

Unsharp masking and High-Boost Filtering:-

$$\text{Unsharp masking} \rightarrow f_s(x,y) = f(x,y) - \bar{f}(x,y)$$

[sharpened image] [smoothing operation (blurred image)]

* Here, we are bringing another function, $\bar{f}(x,y)$ which is averaging (unsharpening image) so it is called unsharp masking.

Blurring \rightarrow suppresses the high frequency
 $\bar{f}(x,y)$ (rich with low frequency)

$f(x,y)$ contains both low and high frequency
 $\therefore f(x,y) - \bar{f}(x,y)$ contains high freq.

High-boost filtering:-

$$f_{hb}(x,y) = A f(x,y) - \bar{f}(x,y)$$

$$f_{hb}(x,y) = (A - 1) f(x,y) + f(x,y) - \bar{f}(x,y)$$

$$= (A - 1) f(x,y) + f_s(x,y)$$

More higher than the A is, more is high-boosting

-1	-1	-1
1	k+8	-1
-1	-1	-1

0	-1	0
-1	k+4	-1
0	-1	0

$$f_{hb} = \begin{cases} A f(x,y) - \nabla^2 f(x,y) & [\text{center of the mask is negative}] \\ A f(x,y) + \nabla^2 f(x,y) & [\text{center of the mask is positive}] \end{cases}$$

First order Partial Derivative:-

$$\nabla f = \hat{i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \quad \text{vector}$$

$$|\nabla f| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^2}$$

individually $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ are linear

But, $|\nabla f|$ is non-linear as it contains square root terms.

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \Rightarrow \text{not rotational invariant}$$

$|\nabla P| \rightarrow$ rotational invariant w.r.t 90°

$$*\nabla P = \left| \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right| \quad \text{To save the enormous computation, we can define } |\nabla P| \text{ as like this}$$

Pre-witt's filter

$z_1 z_2 z_3$	$z_4 z_5 z_6$	$z_7 z_8 z_9$	horizontal edge (horizontal change) $(z_6 - z_5)$	vertical edge (vertical change) $(z_8 - z_5)$
$[1 \ 1 \ 1]$	$[1 \ 1 \ 1]$	$[0 \ 0]$	$[1 \ -1 \ 1]$	$[-1 \ 0]$

Robert Cross

Gradient filter

$[1 \ 0]$	$[0 \ 1]$
$[0 \ -1]$	$[-1 \ 0]$

diagonal edge $(z_5 - z_9)$ diagonal edge $(z_5 - z_7)$

Pixel values are concentrated b/w two values.

Pre-witt's filter

$[1 \ 0 \ -1]$	$* z_9 - z_6$ is applied and is saved at z_5
$[0 \ 0 \ 0]$	
$[0 \ 0 \ -1]$	

Sobel Operators

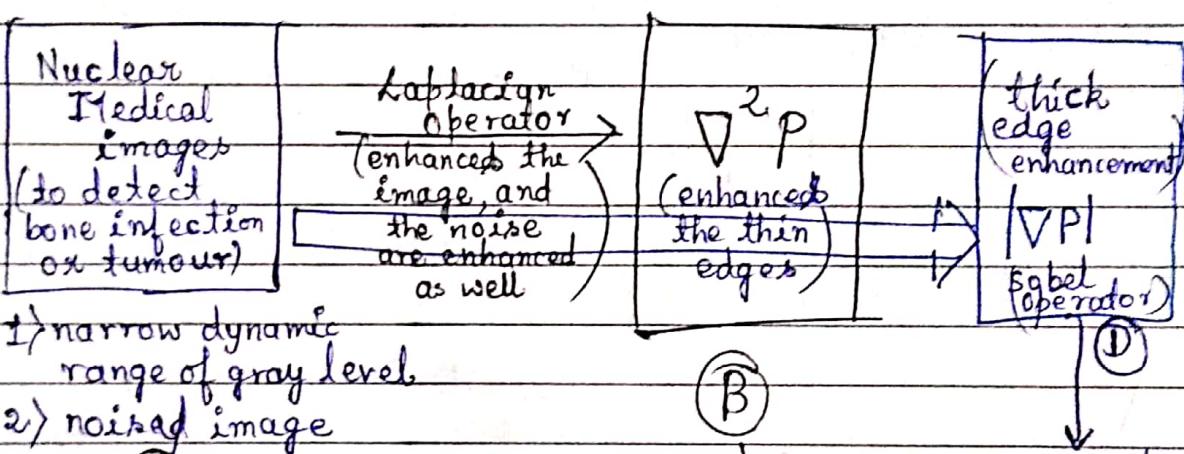
-1	0	1
-2	0	2
-1	0	1

to compute $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x}$.

-1	-2	-1
0	0	0
1	2	1

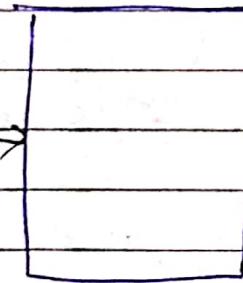
to compute $\frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$.

Image Enhancement in the Spatial Domain:

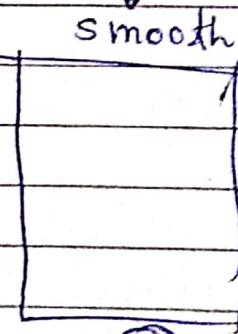


- 1> narrow dynamic range of gray level
- 2> noisy image

A



B



E

* Isolated details of the image is lost in case of Median filter, so it is not suggested in medical fields, even though it is better than mean filtering.

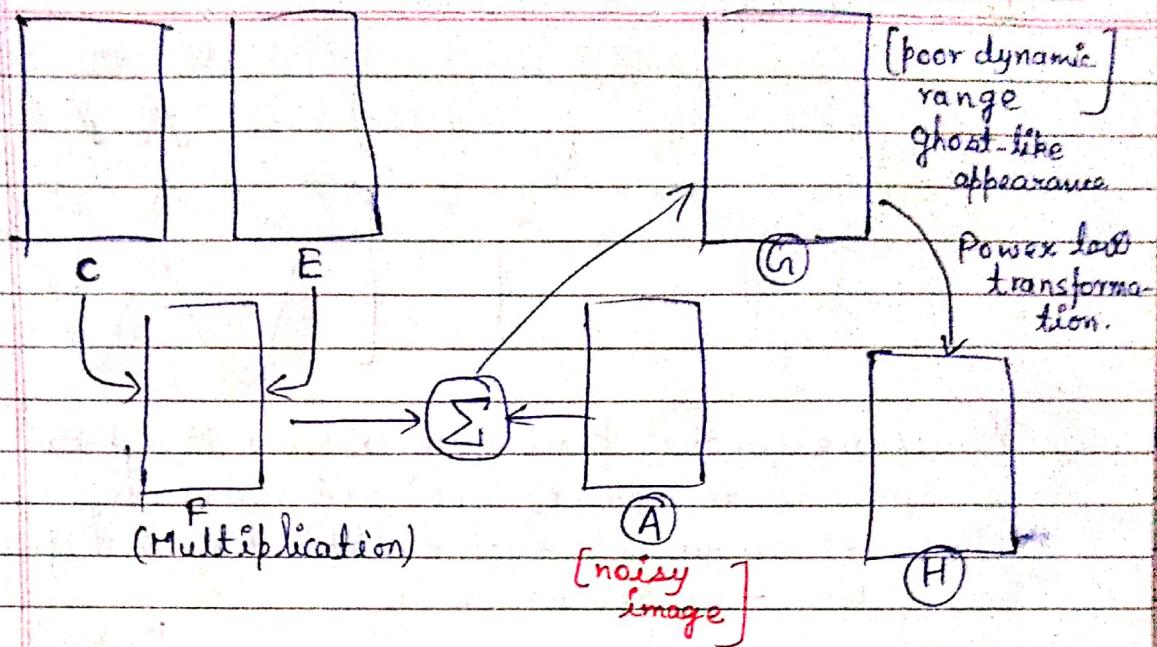


Image Enhancement in Frequency domain :-

Convolution in spatial domain \equiv Multiplication in frequency domain.

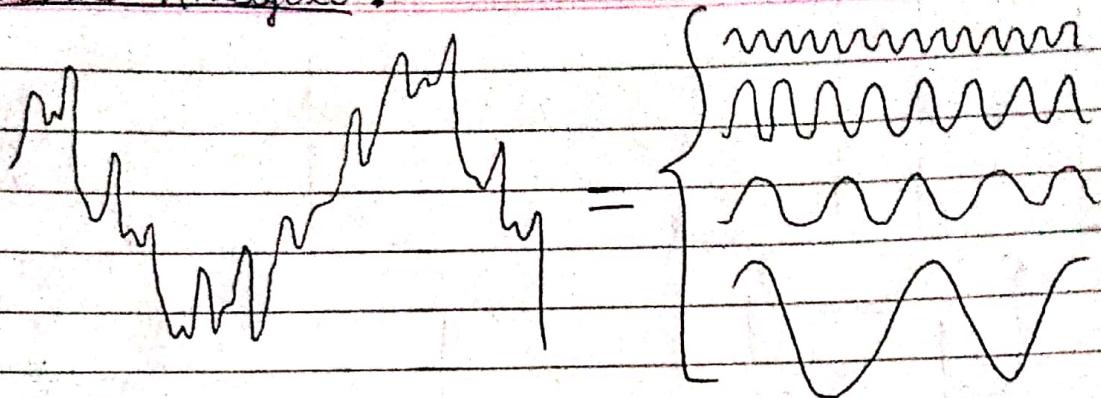
$$f(x, y) * h(x, y) \Leftrightarrow F(u, v) \cdot H(u, v)$$

Filter Transfer function

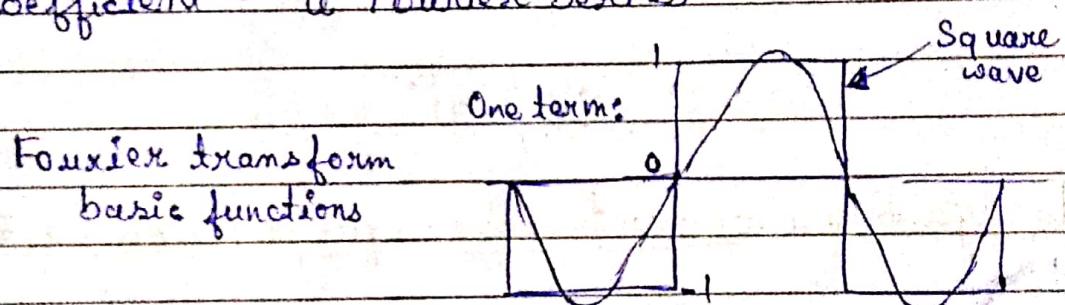
- * $F(u, v)$ and $H(u, v)$ are the DFT of f and h respectively
- * Multiplication on right hand side is component wise i.e., $|F(u, v)| \times |H(u, v)|$ perform

- * In some cases, we need to preprocessing operation to locate the filter at the centre of the plane.

Fourier Analysis:-

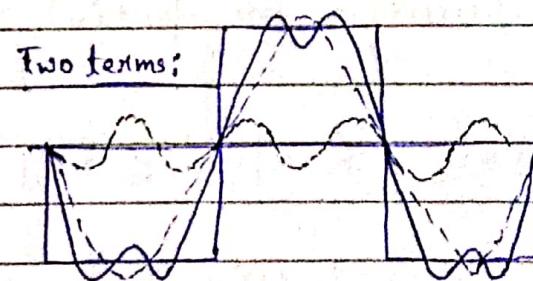


Any function that periodically repeats itself can be expressed as a sum of sines and cosines of different frequencies each multiplied by a different coefficient - a Fourier Series

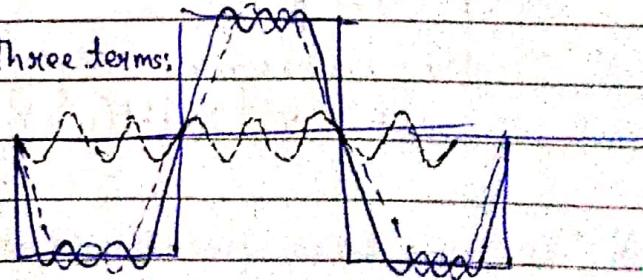


Approximating a square wave as the sum of Sine waves

Two terms:



Three terms:



Fourier Transform:-

1-D, Discrete Case :-

Fourier Transform:
$$F(u) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} f(x) e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{M} ux}, u=0, \dots, M-1$$

Inverse Fourier Transform:
$$f(x) = \sum_{u=0}^{M-1} F(u) e^{j \frac{2\pi}{M} ux}, x=0, \dots, M-1$$

$F(u)$ can be written as:

$$F(u) = R(u) + jI(u) \Rightarrow F(u) = |F(u)| e^{-j\phi(u)}$$

$$\text{where } |F(u)| = \sqrt{R(u)^2 + I(u)^2}$$

\Rightarrow magnitude

$$\phi(u) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{I(u)}{R(u)} \right)$$

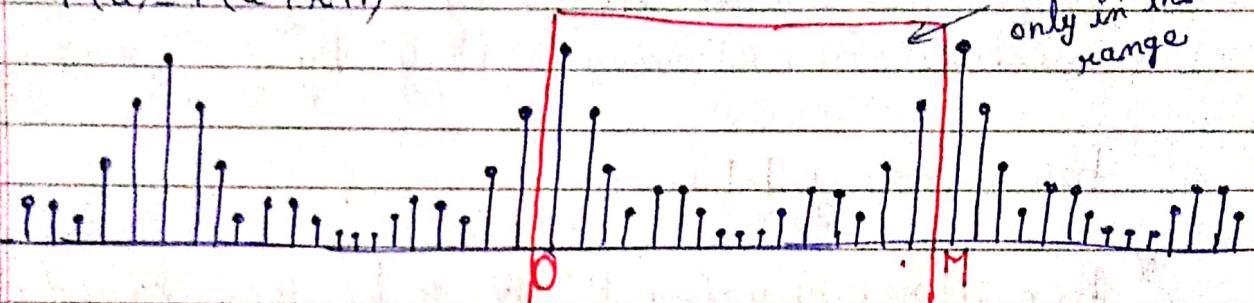
\Rightarrow phase

Discrete Fourier Transform: Periodicity :-

$$\text{From DFT: } F(u) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} f(x) e^{-j2\pi ux/M}$$

$$F(u) = F(u + kM)$$

we display
only in this
range



u = no. of complete cycles of the sinusoid that fits into the width M of the image. These form the basis funcⁿ of the frequency domain representation and the weights for each sine and cosine function are known as Fourier coefficients.

* For an image of size $M \times N$ pixels:-

2-D DFT

$$F(u, v) = \frac{1}{MN} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} f(x, y) e^{-j2\pi(ux/M + vy/N)}$$

u = frequency in x direction
 $, u = 0, \dots, M-1$

v = frequency in y direction
 $, v = 0, \dots, N-1$

→ Same for $F(u, v)$

2-D IDFT

$$f(x, y) = \sum_{u=0}^{M-1} \sum_{v=0}^{N-1} F(u, v) e^{j2\pi(ux/M + vy/N)}$$

$\hookrightarrow x e^{j2\pi(ux/M + vy/N)}$

$x = 0, \dots, M-1$

$y = 0, \dots, N-1$

Inverse transform:- If we attempt to reconstruct the image with an inverse Fourier transform after destroying either the phase information or the amplitude information, reconstruction will fail.

* Phase carries more information

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Butterworth Low Pass Filter:-

- * Image to be filtered is a $M \times N$ pixelated image.
- * $D(u, v)$ is the distance from the centre to the point (u, v) , given by :-

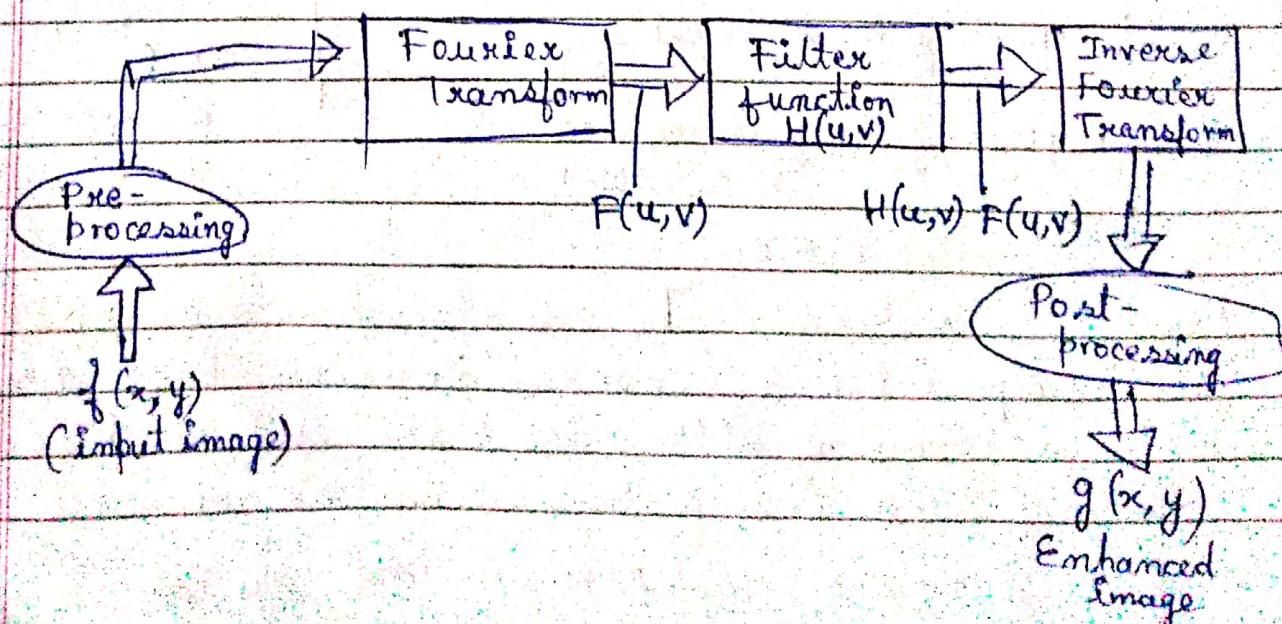
$$D(u, v) = \left[(u - \frac{M}{2})^2 + (v - \frac{N}{2})^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

* To get the centre frequency at $(\frac{M}{2}, \frac{N}{2})$, we need multiplication of image $f(x, y)$ by $(-1)^{x+y}$ [pre-processing]

before taking DFT.

- * Then filtering using $H(u, v)$ to be done based on the application i.e., low-pass filtering for smoothing, noise cleaning, high-pass filtering for edge enhancement.
- * Take the inverse DFT of filtered image.
- * Then, again post processing is done multiplying again by $(-1)^{x+y}$.

Different steps in Frequency domain enhancement :



* Multiplication in freq. domain is easier than convolution in the spatial domain

$$g(x,y) = f(x,y) * h(x,y) \Leftrightarrow F(u,v) \cdot H(u,v) = G(u,v)$$

Homomorphic Filtering:

$f(x,y)$ suffers from range compression and poor contrast

$$f(x, y) = i(x, y) \cdot r(x, y)$$

i
illumination r reflectance

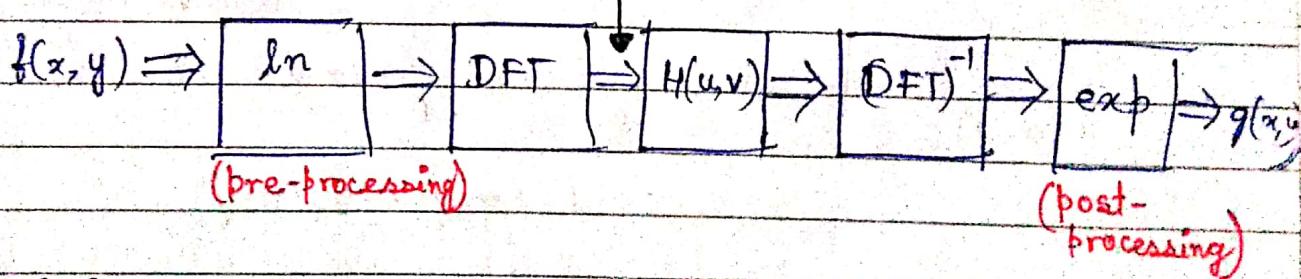
$$\mathcal{F}\{f(x,y)\} \neq \mathcal{F}\{i(x,y)\} \mathcal{F}\{r(x,y)\}$$

\hookrightarrow Fourier
transform.

$$\chi(x,y) = \ln f(x,y) = \ln i(x,y) + \ln j_r(x,y)$$

$$\Im \{g(x,y)\} = \Im \{ \ln f(x,y) \} + \Im \{ \ln r(x,y) \}$$

$$\text{Extrapolation} \rightarrow Z(u, v) = F_x(u, v) + F_y(u, v)$$



$F_i(u, v)$ and $F_r(u, v)$ are fourier transform of $\ln i(x, y)$ and $\ln r(x, y)$ respectively.

If we process $Z(u, v)$ by means of a filter function $H(u, v)$

$$S(u, v) = H(u, v) \cdot Z(u, v)$$

$$= H(u, v) \cdot F_i(u, v) + H(u, v) \cdot F_r(u, v)$$

Where, $S(u, v)$ is Fourier transform of the result.
In spatial domain,

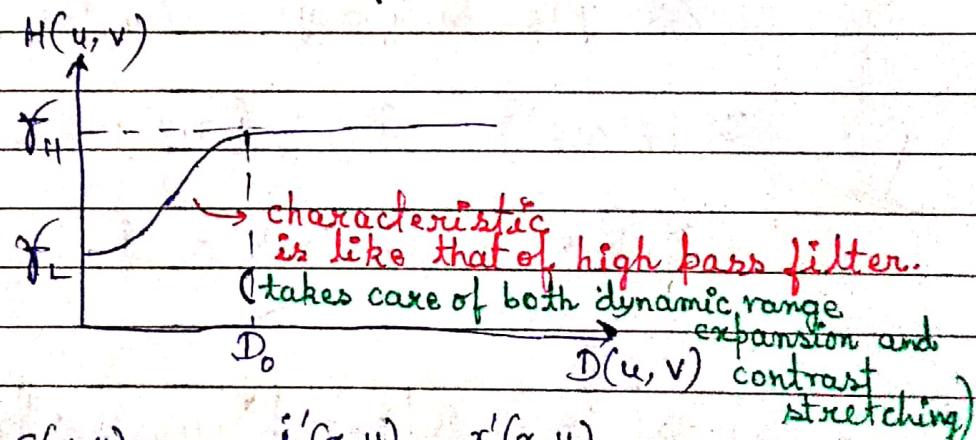
$$S(x, y) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{S(u, v)\}$$

$$= \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{H(u, v) F_i(u, v)\} + \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{H(u, v) \cdot F_r(u, v)\}$$

$$i'(x, y) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{H(u, v) F_i(u, v)\}$$

$$r'(x, y) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{H(u, v) F_r(u, v)\}$$

$$s(x, y) = i'(x, y) + r'(x, y)$$



$$g(x, y) = e^{s(x, y)} = e^{i'(x, y)} \cdot e^{r'(x, y)}$$

$$= i_o(x, y) \cdot r_o(x, y)$$

* A bell in its actual form is an integration while in inverted form, it is a differentiation.

$$H(u, v) = (r_H - r_L) \cdot e^{\frac{-D^2}{(u^2 + v^2)}} \left(1 - e^{\frac{-D^2}{(u^2 + v^2)}} \right)$$

Spatial Domain

Window size
is larger

Frequency domain

To make the
radius of
cylinder \Rightarrow Higher
the blurred
effect

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Brightness
Image

Fourier
Transform

↓
low-pass
filtered
(solid
cylinder)

Inverse
Transform

(Blurred image
as high frequency
is lost)

↓
High-pass
filtered
(hollow
cylinder)

Inverse Transform
(edge will be
preserved)
(texture)

↓
Band-pass
filtered
(annular
cylinder)

Inverse Transform

Gaussian filter < Butterworth filter < Ideal filter

Butterworth Low Pass Filter

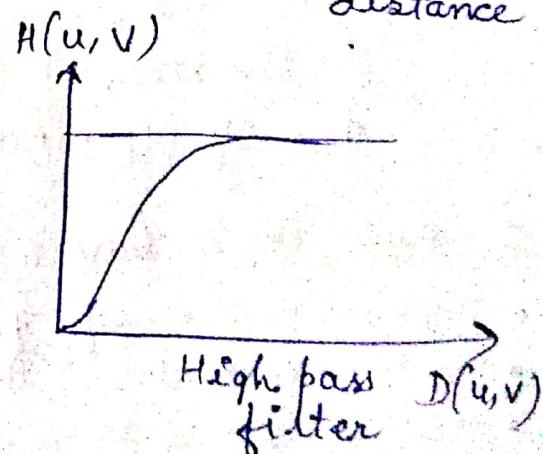
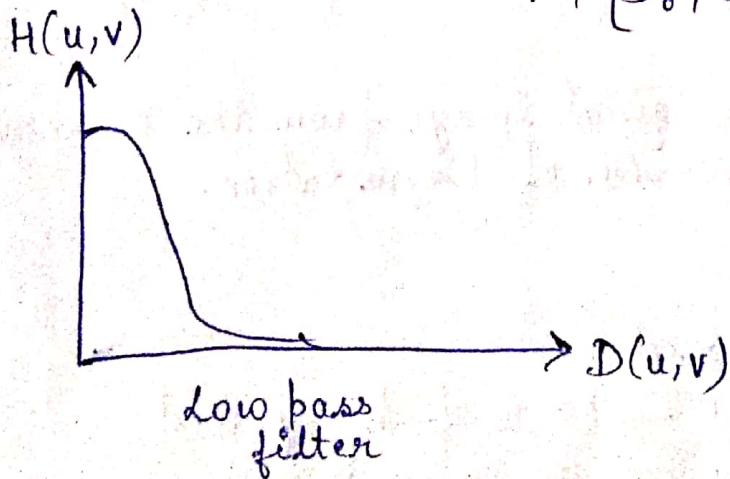
$$D(u,v) = \left[\left(u - \frac{M}{2} \right)^2 + \left(v - \frac{N}{2} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

- For a low pass filter, this means that as $D(u,v)$ increases, $H(u,v)$ decreases. This effect is to dampen the higher frequencies which are represented as being a distance far from the centre and emphasize the lower frequencies which are represented by points close to the centre.
- D_0 is known as the cut-off frequency. In an ideal lowpass filter, this is the point above which all frequencies would be eliminated.
- Increasing D_0 increases the number of frequencies that are passed (or lessen the damping effects of higher frequencies).
- Decreasing D_0 means a smaller number of frequencies are allowed to pass (or the damping effects of higher frequencies are increased). This would result in a more blurred image.

Butterworth High Pass filter is :—

$$H(u,v) = \frac{1}{1 + [D_0 / D(u,v)]^{2n}}$$

$n \rightarrow \text{order}$
 $D_0 \rightarrow \text{cut off distance}$



application, i.e. low-pass filtering for smoothing, noise cleaning, high-pass filtering for edge enhancement.

For a high pass filter,

$$H(u, v) = \frac{1}{1 + [D_0 / D(u, v)]^{2n}}$$

Inverse DFT of the filtered image is then done.

Then again post processing is done by multiplying again by $(-1)^{x+y}$.

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Laplacian in Frequency :- (for thin edge smoothing)

$$\mathcal{F} \left[\frac{d^n f(x)}{dx^n} \right] = (ju)^n F(u)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F} \left[\frac{\partial^2 f(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f(x, y)}{\partial y^2} \right] &= (ju)^2 F(u, v) \\ &\quad + (jv)^2 F(u, v) \\ &= -(u^2 + v^2) F(u, v) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{F} [\nabla^2 f(x, y)] = -(u^2 + v^2) F(u, v)$$

$$H(u, v) = -(u^2 + v^2)$$

$$H(u, v) = - \left[(u - \frac{M}{2})^2 + (v - \frac{N}{2})^2 \right]$$

$$\nabla^2 f(x, y) = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ - \left[(u - \frac{M}{2})^2 + (v - \frac{N}{2})^2 \right] F(u, v) \right\}$$

$$\nabla^2 f(x, y) \Leftrightarrow - \left[(u - \frac{M}{2})^2 + (v - \frac{N}{2})^2 \right] F(u, v).$$

Unsharp masking, high-boost filtering and High frequency emphasis filtering :

$$f_{hp}(x, y) = f(x, y) - f_{lp}(x, y)$$

[ghost like
image (high
freq.)]

[low freq.
components]

$$f_{hb}(x, y) = A f(x, y) - f_{lp}(x, y)$$

[high boost]

$$= (A - 1) f(x, y) + f(x, y) - f_{lp}(x, y)$$

$$= (A - 1) f(x, y) + f_{hp}(x, y)$$

$$F_{hp}(u, v) = F(u, v) - F_{lp}(u, v)$$

$$F_{lp}(u, v) = H_{lp}(u, v) \cdot F(u, v)$$

$$H_{hp}(u, v) = 1 - H_{lp}(u, v)$$

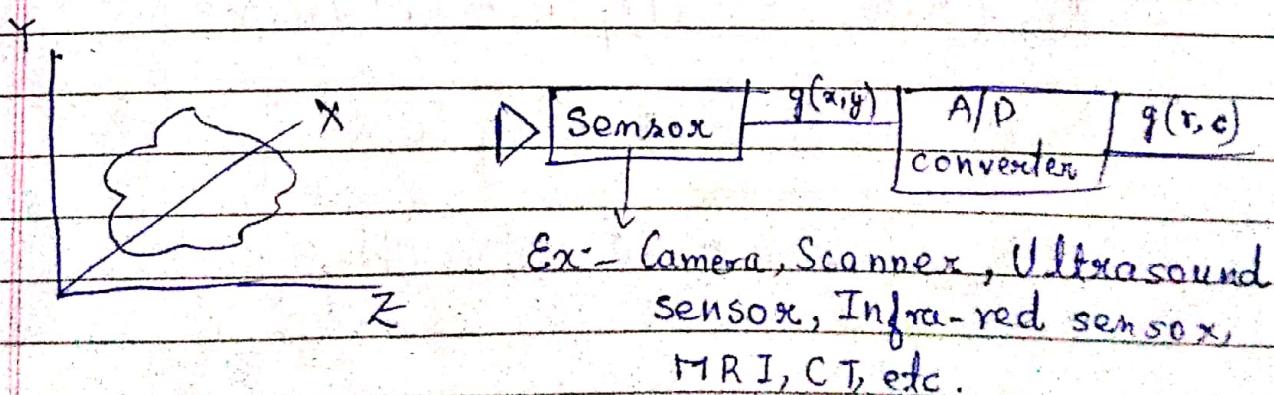
$$H_{hb}(u, v) = (A - 1) + H_{hp}(u, v)$$

Digital Image Restoration:

- * Here, we have been given a degraded image

Original image \times Degradation function

- * In enhancement, approaches are heuristic to defeat short of the human visual system (subjective)
- * In restoration, estimates of the degradation function is done to undo the degradation. (objective)
- * We have to meet a goodness criteria.
- * Restoration is also done for both spatial domain (and frequency domain).
- * It is mathematically richer process
- * By supposing that the degradation is linear, we can exploit the characteristics of linear system (like convolution).
- * If our degradation consideration is non-linear, mathematical processes becomes complex and tough.



1. Geometric transformation
2. Photometric transformation

Improvement of Image quality -

- 1) Image enhancement : — Adhoc processes improve the quality of the image using some heuristics designed on the basis of users' experience and application in hand.
- 2) Image Restoration : — Estimates the original (under graded) image from the observed image based on the knowledge in terms of model of the degradation process.

Degradation Process :-

- Various sources of degradation.
- Nature of degradation.
- Examples of Spatial degradation
- Estimation of Degradation.
- Knowledge about noise.
- Restoration problem ill-conditioned to singular problem.

$$g = h * f + n \quad g = \text{degraded image}$$

f = original un-degraded image
 n = noise

$$G = HF$$

$$G/H = F$$

Image Degradation Model

- * Photometric transformation function $h(x,y)$ is linear and shift invariant.
- * Noise is signal-independent and additive.
- * Original and observed image intensity is non-negative.

Aassumption

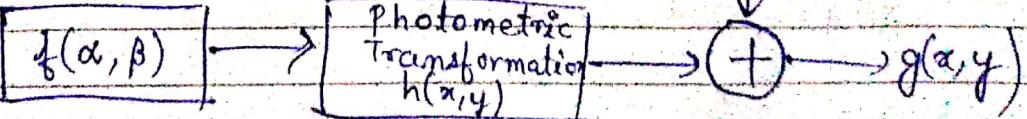


Image Formation Equation

- * Suppose
 - $f(x, y)$ is the original image.
 - $h(x, y)$ is linear shift invariant transformation.
 - $\eta(x, y)$ is signal independent additive noise.
 - $g(x, y)$ is the observed and recorded image.

* Image formation may be described as : -

$$g(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\alpha, \beta) \cdot h(x - \alpha, y - \beta) d\alpha d\beta + \eta(x, y)$$

* In discrete domain, for $M \times N$ digital image

$$g(r, c) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} f(i, j) h(r-i, c-j) + \eta(r, c)$$

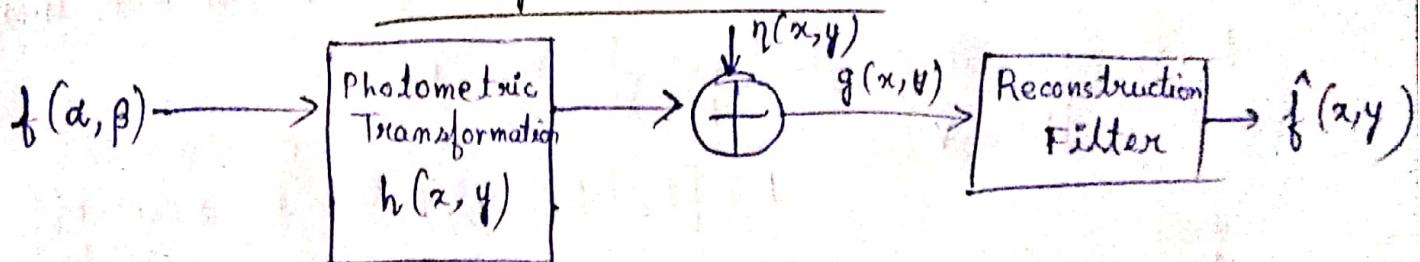
(2-dimensional convolution)

Using matrix vector notation,

$$g = Hf + \eta \quad (\text{representing } MN \text{ linear equations})$$

Degradation matrix is of size $MN \times MN$.

Image Restoration



Estimation of the original image from the observed one by effective inversion of Degradation.

Formulation :- Given →

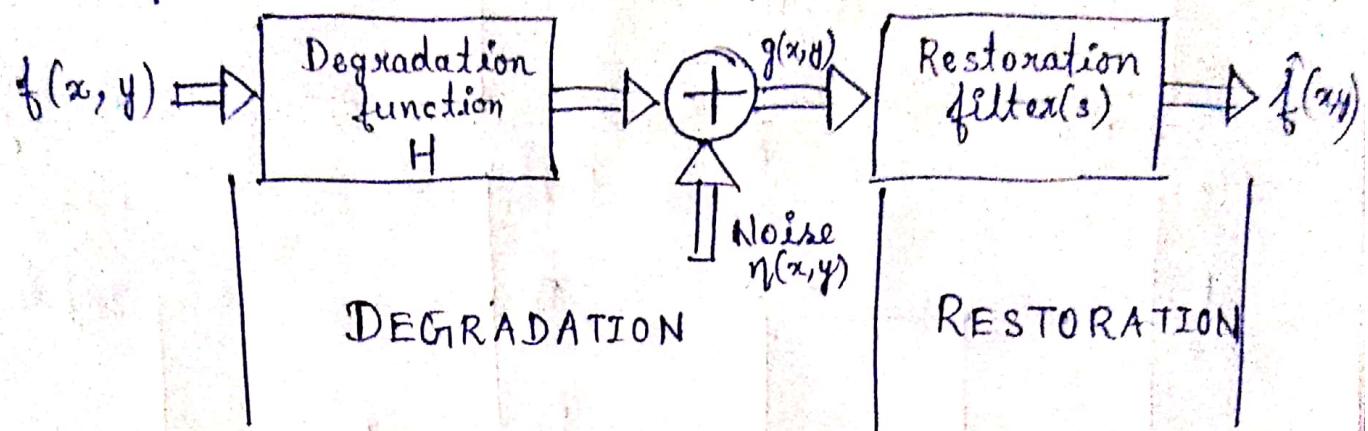
- the observed image $g(x, y)$ and
- the precise model of the PSF in form of $h(x, y)$ and
- the statistical knowledge about the noise $\eta(x, y)$

We need to estimate →

- the original image $f(x, y)$
- based on the relation : $g = Hf + \eta$

• Satisfying some criteria

* Image restoration is to restore a degraded image back to the original image while image enhancement is to manipulate the image so that it is suitable for a specific application.



Degradation model:

$$g(x,y) = f(x,y) * h(x,y) + \eta(x,y)$$

where, $h(x,y)$ is a system that causes image distortion and $\eta(x,y)$ is noise.

Noise Models:-

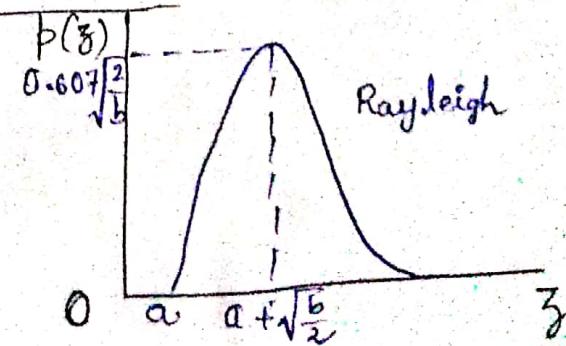
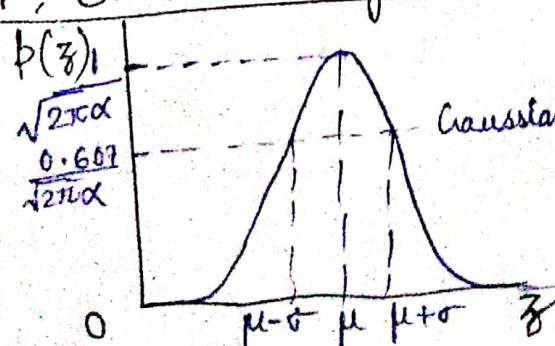
Noise cannot be predicted but can be approximately described in statistical way using the PDF:-

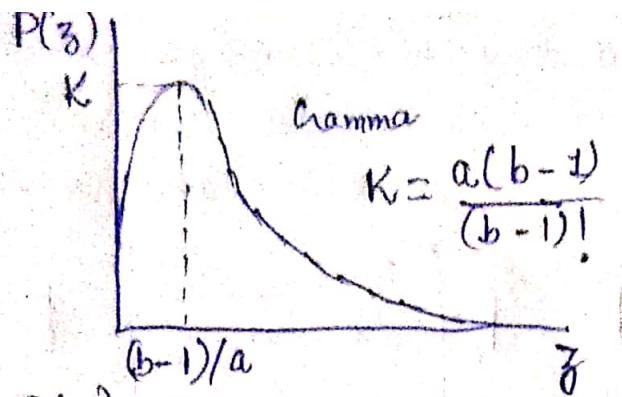
$$\text{Gaussian noise: } p(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma} e^{-\frac{(z-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$\text{Rayleigh noise: } p(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{b} (z-a) e^{-\frac{(z-a)^2}{b}}, & z \geq a \\ 0, & z < a \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Erlang (Gamma) noise: } p(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{a^b z^{b-1}}{(b-1)!} (z-a)^{b-1} e^{-az}, & z \geq 0 \\ 0, & z < 0 \end{cases}$$

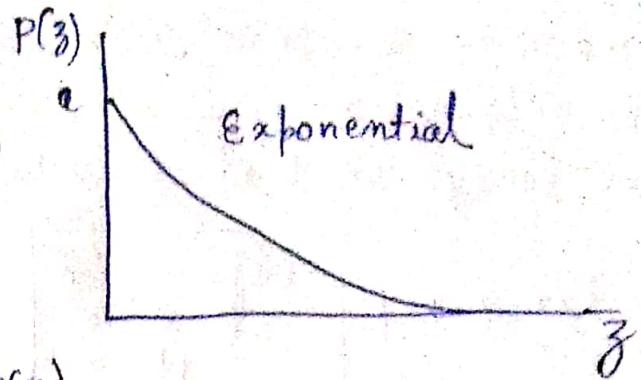
PDF: Statistical way to describe Noise:-



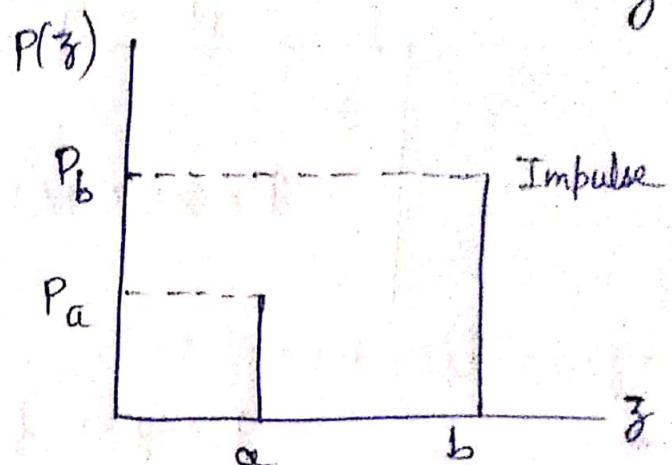
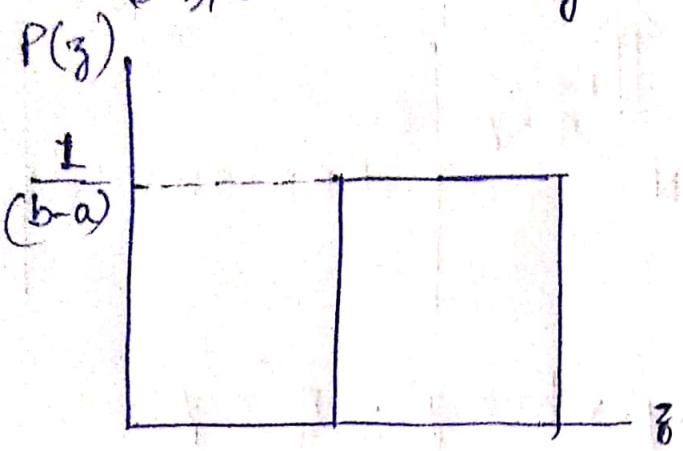


Gamma

$$K = \frac{a(b-1)}{(b-1)!} e^{-(b-1)}$$



Exponential



Impulse

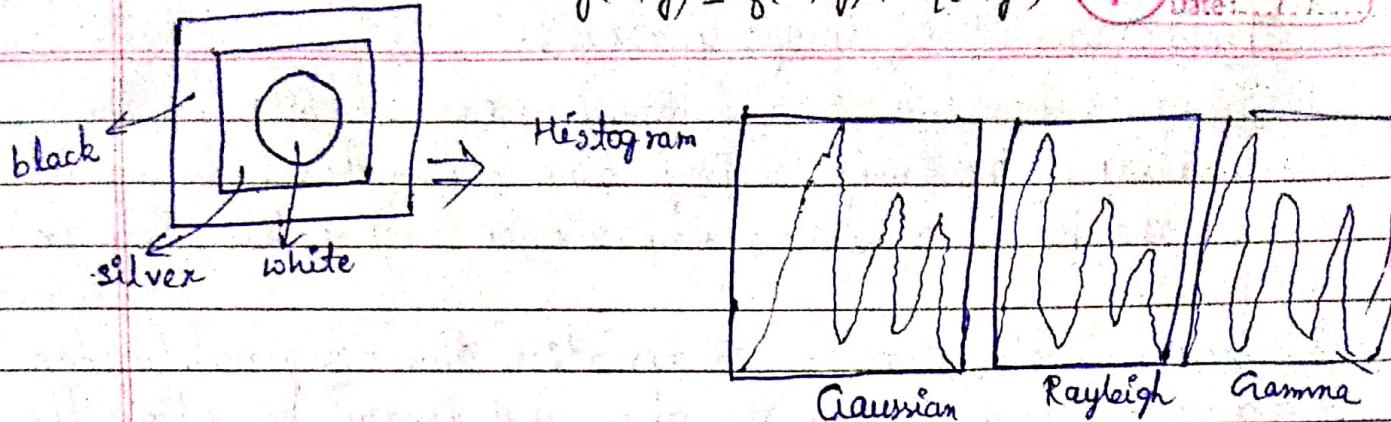
Image Degradation with Additive Noise:

$$g(x, y) = f(x, y) + \eta(x, y)$$



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Periodic noise! - looks like dots in frequency domains.

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Degradation model:-

$$g(x, y) = f(x, y) * h(x, y) + \eta(x, y)$$

or

$$G(u, v) = F(u, v) H(u, v) + N(u, v)$$

degradation function \nearrow additive noise

Purpose: to estimate $h(x, y)$ or $H(u, v)$

Why? [if we know exactly $h(x, y)$, regardless of noise, we can do deconvolution to get $f(x, y)$ back from $g(x, y)$.]

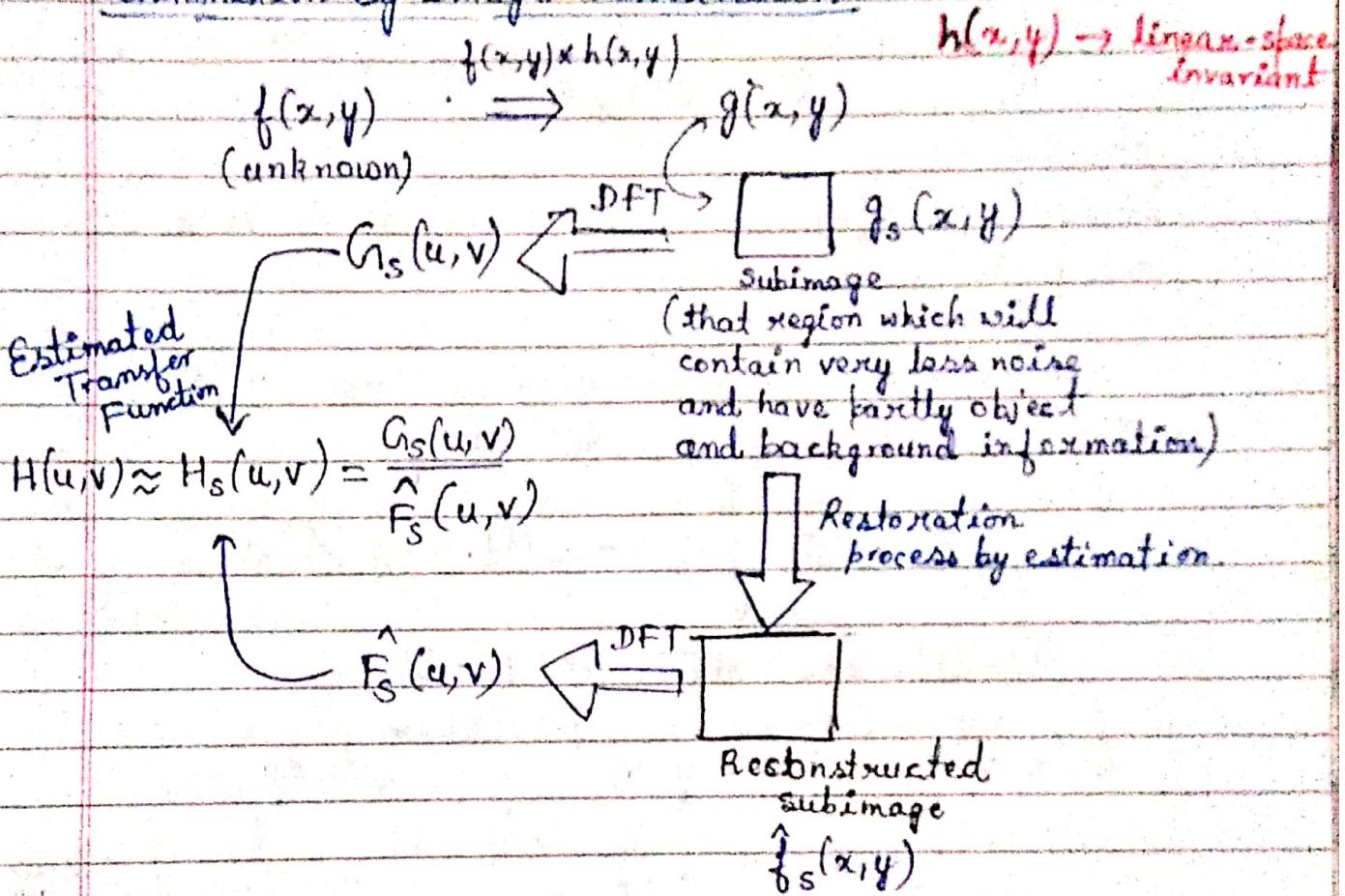
- 1. Estimation by Image Observation.
- 2. Estimation by Experiment.
- 3. Estimation by Modeling

* We will never be able to get the knowledge of complete description of $H(u, v)$, \rightarrow **Blind deconvolution**
we can only estimate it.

$$\hat{F}(u, v) = \frac{G(u, v)}{\hat{H}(u, v)}$$

- * Degraded image is basically a convolution of original image with the degradation function. To get back the original image, we have to use the deconvolution operation.

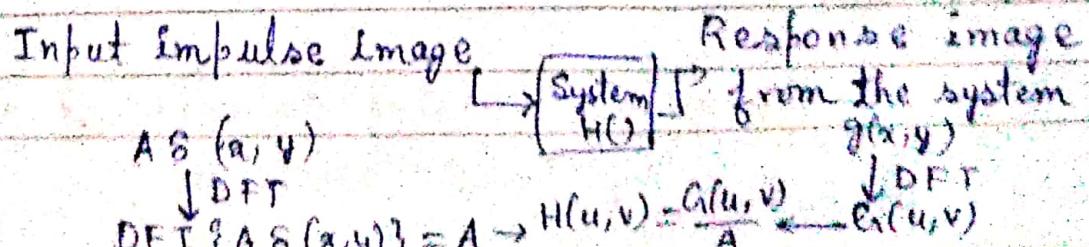
Estimation by Image Observation :-



This case is used when we know only $g(x,y)$ and cannot repeat the experiment!

Estimation by Experiment :-

- * Use $f(x,y)$ and change the setting of the device and check for which settings, the degraded images being produced are similar.



Estimation by Modeling :-

(Used when we know physical mechanism underlying the image formation process that can be expressed mathematically).

Ex:- Atmospheric Turbulence

$$H(u, v) = e^{-k(u^2 + v^2)^{5/6}}$$

B/w the

Imaging platform and the scene, there is a uniform planar motion.

Assume, that camera velocity is $(x_0(t), y_0(t))$

The blurred image is obtained by -

$$g(x, y) = \int_0^T f(x + x_0(t), y + y_0(t)) dt$$

T = exposure time

$$\begin{aligned} G(u, v) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) e^{-j 2\pi(ux + vy)} dx dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\int_0^T f(x + x_0(t), y + y_0(t)) dt \right] e^{-j 2\pi(ux + vy)} dx dy \\ &= \int_0^T \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x + x_0(t), y + y_0(t)) e^{-j 2\pi(ux + vy)} dx dy \right] dt \\ &= \int_0^T \left[F(u, v) e^{-j 2\pi(u x_0(t) + v y_0(t))} \right] dt \\ &\Rightarrow F(u, v) = \int_0^T e^{-j 2\pi(u x_0(t) + v y_0(t))} dt \end{aligned}$$

Then, we get the motion blurring transfer function :

$$H(u, v) = \int_0^T e^{-j 2\pi(u x_0(t) + v y_0(t))} dt$$

For constant motion, $(x_0(t), y_0(t)) = (at, bt)$

$$H(u, v) = \int_0^T e^{-j2\pi(ua+vb)t} dt = \frac{T}{\pi(ua+vb)} \cdot \frac{\sin(\pi(ua+vb)T)}{e^{-j\pi(ua+vb)T}}$$

$$\therefore H(u, v) = \frac{T}{\pi(ua+vb)} \cdot \sin(\pi(ua+vb)T) e^{-j\pi(ua+vb)T}$$

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Inverse Filter (practically not used)

From degradation model:

$$G(u, v) = F(u, v) H(u, v) + N(u, v)$$

After we obtain $H(u, v)$, we can estimate $F(u, v)$ by the inverse filter:

Problem $\hat{F}(u, v) = \frac{G(u, v)}{H(u, v)} = F(u, v) + \frac{N(u, v)}{H(u, v)}$

① we don't know the frequency domain description of $N(u, v)$

② Noise is enhanced, when $H(u, v)$ is small.

To avoid the side effect of enhancing noise, we can apply this formulation to freq. component (u, v) within a radius D_0 from the center of $H(u, v)$.

Restoration: Formulation :-

- Given
- 1) Observed image : $g(x, y)$
(degraded)
 - 2) Precise model of the PSF in form of $h(x, y)$ and
 - 3) statistical knowledge about the noise $\eta(x, y)$

We need to estimate

- the original image $f(x, y)$.
 - based on the relation: $g = Hf + \eta$.
- satisfying some criteria.

① Algebraic approach ② Probabilistic approach

Minimum Mean Square Estimation:-

Suppose there are n images $g_1, g_2, g_3, \dots, g_n$ coming from same source

$$\text{where, } g_i = H f_i + \eta_i \quad i=1, 2, 3, \dots, n$$

(a single, a single equipment, noise is

from

same source)

We need to design a filter ' $P(\cdot)$ ' such that

$$\hat{f}_i = Pg_i \quad \text{kind of like inverse degradation func}$$

and average error of $e_i = \|f_i - \hat{f}_i\|^2$ is minimum

$$\| \quad \| \rightarrow \text{norm} \quad \| \quad \|^2 \rightarrow \text{square norm}$$

$$e_i = f_i - \hat{f}_i, e_i \text{ can be positive or negative}$$

To make it positive, we do square norm.

$$\| e_i \|^2 = e_i^T \cdot e_i \quad (\text{in matrix form})$$

$$\text{Exp}(\mathcal{E}) = \text{Exp} \{ \| f_i - \hat{f}_i \|^2 \}$$

$$= \text{Exp} \{ (f_i - \hat{f}_i)^T (f_i - \hat{f}_i) \}$$

$$= \text{Exp} [\text{tr} \{ (f_i - \hat{f}_i) (f_i - \hat{f}_i)^T \}] \text{ is minimum}$$

Minimization of expectation of $E^T E$ is same as minimization of expectation of trace of $E \cdot E^T$.

- * Error in estimation depends on the filter 'P'.
- * So, error must be a function of 'P'

$$\begin{aligned}
 e(P) &= \text{Exp}[\text{tr}\{(f_i - P(g_i))(f_i - P(g_i))^T\}] \\
 &= \text{Exp}[\text{tr}\{(f_i - P(Hf_i + n_i))(f_i - P(Hf_i + n_i))^T\}] \\
 &= \text{Exp}[\text{tr}\{(f_i - PHf_i - Pn_i)(f_i^T - f_i^T H^T P^T - n_i^T P^T)\}]
 \end{aligned}$$

Since both Exp (expectation) and tr (trace) are both the linear operations, they can be exchanged.

$$\begin{aligned}
 e(P) &= \text{tr} \left[\text{Exp} \left\{ f_i f_i^T - f_i f_i^T H^T P^T - f_i n_i^T P^T - P H f_i f_i^T \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + P H f_i f_i^T H^T P^T + P H f_i n_i^T P^T - P n_i^T f_i^T \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + P n_i^T f_i^T H^T P^T + P n_i^T n_i^T P^T \right\} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Exp}(f_i f_i^T) = R_f \rightarrow \text{autocorrelation matrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Exp}(f_i n_i^T) &= 0 \quad [\text{since signal and noise are independent}] \\
 &= \text{Exp}(n_i^T f_i^T)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Exp}(n_i^T n_i^T) = R_\eta = \text{autocorrelation noise matrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore e(P) &= \text{tr} [R_f - R_f H^T P^T - P H R_f + P H R_f H^T P^T \\
 &\quad + P R_\eta P^T]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{g}_i = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{f}_i + \mathbf{n}_i$$

$(mn \times 1) \quad (mn \times mn) \quad (mn \times 1)$

$$e(P) = \text{tr} [R_f - R_f H^T P^T - P H R_f + P H R_f H^T P^T + P R_n P^T]$$

Taking derivative of e w.r.t P and making it $\mathbf{0}$ (column vector)

$$\frac{de}{dP} = \mathbf{0} = -R_f H^T - R_f H^T + 2 P H R_f H^T + 2 P R_n$$

Solving for ' P ',

$$P^* = R_f H^T (H R_f H^T + R_n)^{-1}$$

And, in Fourier domain,

$$P(u, v) = \frac{R_f(u, v) H^*(u, v)}{(\text{optimal value}) \quad R_f(u, v) |H(u, v)|^2 + R_n(u, v)}$$

i -th image is estimated in Fourier domain as

$$\hat{F}_i(u, v) = P(u, v) \cdot G(u, v) = \frac{H^*(u, v)}{|H(u, v)|^2 + \frac{R_n(u, v)}{R_f(u, v)}} G(u, v)$$

$P(u, v) \rightarrow$ Weiner filter

If we take Inverse Fourier transform of autocorrelation function is Power Spectral Density.

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{F}(u, v) &= \left[\frac{H^*(u, v)}{|H(u, v)|^2 + S_n(u, v)/S_f(u, v)} \right] G(u, v) \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{H(u, v)} \frac{|H(u, v)|^2}{|H(u, v)|^2 + S_n(u, v)/S_f(u, v)} \right] G(u, v) \end{aligned}$$

I need to know that PSD of noise ($S_n(u,v)$) and PSD of f ($S_f(u,v)$). But here, we need the ratio of $S_n(u,v)$ and $S_f(u,v)$, so as an engineer we can substitute it as a constant and tweak it as per our control.

- * The intuition that we could have also substituted

$$\hat{F}(u,v) = F(u,v) + \frac{N(u,v)}{H(u,v)}$$

to be a constant,

but here we have eliminated the fact that for low $H(u,v)$, it can be difficult. As now it depends on both

$$\hat{F}(u,v) = \left[\frac{1}{H(u,v)} \cdot \frac{|H(u,v)|^2 |H(u,v)|^2}{|H(u,v)|^2 + K} G(u,v) \right] G(u,v)$$

- * When there is a high domination of noise, weiner filter gives better results than Inverse filter.

- * Weineix's filter gives optimal restoration of the image after taking an ensemble of the degraded image. It does not ascertain which degraded image will produce the optimal restoration.

∴ Our design variable instead of \hat{P} should be \hat{f} .

Least-Square Estimation :-

$$e(\hat{f}) = \|g - H\hat{f}\|^2 - \|\eta\|^2$$

Diff. b/w the observed image and re-degraded estimated image.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (\hat{f} - H\hat{f})^T (g - H\hat{f}) - \eta^T \eta \\
 &= (g^T - \hat{f}^T H^T)(g - H\hat{f}) - \eta^T \eta \\
 &= g^T g - g^T H \hat{f} - \hat{f}^T H^T g + \hat{f}^T H^T H \hat{f} - \eta^T \eta
 \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating w.r.t \hat{f} and equating it to $\vec{0}$ (column vector)

$$\frac{\partial e(\hat{f})}{\partial \hat{f}} = \vec{0} = 0 - H^T g - H^T g + 2H^T H \hat{f} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{f} = (H^T H)^{-1} H^T g = H^{-1} g$$

And, in the Fourier domain, the estimated image

$$\hat{f}(u, v) = \frac{G(u, v)}{H(u, v)}$$

Singularity Problem ($g_i = H f_i + \eta_i$)
(I have many solutions for estimation) / m. of variables (unknown) is max. than no. of equations. if image may not be estimated for some (u, v) , $H(u, v)$ becomes 0.

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Constrained Least-square Estimation

* Reason for singularity \rightarrow non-uniqueness of solution (we may have large number of estimated images for a given observed image)

* Suppose, the estimated image \hat{f} is obtained by some means which satisfies a criterion $\mathcal{Q}(\hat{f})$

* Error ($e(\hat{f})$) in estimated is defined as how good it satisfies $\Omega(\hat{f})$ given image model as constraint,
i.e., $g = H\hat{f} + \eta$

I don't have any knowledge of η . From least-square, we can get \hat{f} . Out of many possible \hat{f} , we will take that for which $g - H\hat{f} = \eta \rightarrow$ Equality constraint.

$$e(\hat{f}) = \|Q\hat{f}\|^2 + \lambda \underbrace{\left(\|g - H\hat{f}\|^2 - \|\eta\|^2 \right)}_{\text{measurement error}}$$

$$= (Q\hat{f})^T(Q\hat{f}) + \lambda [(g - H\hat{f})^T(g - H\hat{f}) - \eta^T\eta]$$

$$= (\hat{f}^T Q^T) Q\hat{f} + \lambda [(g^T - \hat{f}^T H^T)(g - H\hat{f}) - \eta^T\eta]$$

$$= \hat{f}^T Q^T Q\hat{f} + \lambda [g^T g - g^T H\hat{f} - \hat{f}^T H^T g + \hat{f}^T H^T H\hat{f} - \eta^T\eta]$$

Differentiating w.r.t \hat{f} and equating to zero:-

$$\frac{\partial e(\hat{f})}{\partial \hat{f}} = 0 - 2Q^T Q\hat{f} + \lambda [0 - H^T g - H^T g + 2H^T H\hat{f} - 0]$$

Solving for \hat{f} , we get:-

$$\hat{f} = (H^T H + \gamma Q^T Q)^{-1} H^T g, \text{ where } \gamma = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

And, in Fourier domain, estimated image is:-

$$\hat{F}_i(u, v) = \frac{H^*(u, v)}{H^*(u, v) \cdot H(u, v) + \gamma Q^*(u, v) Q(u, v)} G(u, v)$$

If $Q^*(u, v) Q(u, v)$ is substituted with $\frac{R_\eta(u, v)}{R_f(u, v)}$, then

$$\hat{F}_i(u, v) = \frac{H^*(u, v)}{H^*(u, v) H(u, v) + \gamma \frac{R_\eta(u, v)}{R_f(u, v)}} G(u, v)$$

This is known as Parametric Weiner filter.

Degradation model : Written in a matrix form

$$g(x,y) = f(x,y) * h(x,y) + \eta(x,y) \quad g = Hf + \eta$$

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Now, We look for smoothness criteria.

$$g(x,y) = f(x,y) * h(x,y) + \eta(x,y) \quad g = Hf + \eta$$

Objective: - find the min^m of criteron funcⁿ

$$C = \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} [\nabla^2 f(x,y)]^2$$

Subject to the constraint

$$\|g - H\hat{f}\|^2 = \|\eta\|^2 \quad \text{where } \|w\|^2 = w^T w$$

We get a constrained least square filter.

$$\hat{F}(u,v) = \left[\frac{H^*(u,v)}{|H(u,v)|^2 + \gamma |P(u,v)|^2} \right] C(u,v)$$

where

$P(u,v)$ = Fourier transform of $f(x,y)$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

* γ is adaptively adjusted to achieve the best result.

Adjusting γ :

Define $r = g - H\hat{f}$. It can be shown that $\phi(\gamma) = r^T r = \|r\|^2$

We want to adjust γ so that $\|r\|^2 = \|\eta\|^2 + a$ —①

- ① Specify an initial value of γ (upper defined)
- ② Compute $\|r\|^2$
- ③ Stop if ① is satisfied

Otherwise return step 2 after increasing γ if

$$\|r\|^2 < \|\eta\|^2 - a$$

or decreasing γ if $\|r\|^2 > \|\eta\|^2 + a$

Use the new value of γ to recompute.

$$\hat{F}(u, v) = \left[\frac{H^*(u, v)}{|H(u, v)|^2 + \gamma |P(u, v)|^2} \right] G(u, v)$$

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$$R(u, v) = G(u, v) - H(u, v) \hat{F}(u, v)$$

$$\|r\|^2 = \frac{1}{MN} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} r^2(x, y)$$

$$m_\eta = \frac{1}{MN} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} \eta(x, y)$$

$$\sigma_\eta^2 = \frac{1}{MN} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} [\eta(x, y) - m_\eta]^2$$

$$\|\eta\|^2 = MN [\sigma_\eta^2 - m_\eta]$$

Geometric Operations -

- * Task is to give the image a geometric operation.
- * it enables change in image geometry by moving pixels around in a carefully constrained manner.
- * Every image has its own geometry that is visible in the form of spatial relationship among the group of pixels representing image features.
- * Two images of same scene and same image features may have different geometries.
 For example, the distance between a pair of features in one image is greater than the other or a group of features lie in a straight line in one image may not be in ^{other image}
- * Two needs for geometric operations -
 - to remove distortion inherent in imaging i.e., images that suffer from geometric distortion.
 In modern camera (lenses and CCD sensor), this is not much needed, however, geometric operation is required for precise measurement in sizes and shapes of image features.

Typical use may include fish eye lens or log polar type where geometric correction is essential.

It can also be seen in imaging in remote sensing from spacecraft or aircraft.

- b) to introduce deliberate distortion for matching one image with another

Ex:- i) Cartographer deliberately introduces distortion on terrestrial or planetary surfaces to conform a particular map projection

- i) image registration for two or more images with same scene to match up same image features

iii) object detection by subtracting successive frames,
 medical imaging for improving diagnosis through
 combining different imaging (x-ray CT, NMR)

* Three elements common for geometric operations

- transformation equation that moves a pixel in new location.
- a procedure for applying these equations to an image
- some way for computation of gray value/intensity in a new location.

Simple technique for enlarging an image by a factor n

is to copy each pixel value by a block of $n \times n$ pixels in output image. Two drawbacks →

- n can't be any arbitrary non-integer value
- greatly enhanced images have blocky appearance

Similar problems are seen for image shrinking by integer value of "n"

a) — do —

b) information loss due to loss can't be restored, however, $(n \times n)$ block of gray values may be replaced by mean or median value - though not much improvement in visuality.

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= T_x(x, y) & T_x, T_y \rightarrow \text{polynomials of } \\y' &= T_y(x, y) & x \text{ and } y.\end{aligned}$$

In simplest form, T_x and T_y are linear function of x and y →

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= a_0x + a_1y + a_2 \\y' &= b_0x + b_1y + b_2\end{aligned}\quad \text{(AFFINE TRANSFORMATION)}$$

i) Typical affine operations may include any combination of translation, rotation, scaling and shearing. Coefficients a 's, b 's, c 's are represented in matrix form.

ii) Complex operations like warping and morphing.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 & a_1 & a_2 \\ b_0 & b_1 & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Homogeneous coordinates
(Representation of 2D points as three dimensional vectors. [using third dimension = 1])

Another option which is less compact and difficult to manipulate →

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 & a_1 \\ b_0 & b_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Under affine transformation, straight lines remain straight line and parallel lines remain parallel.

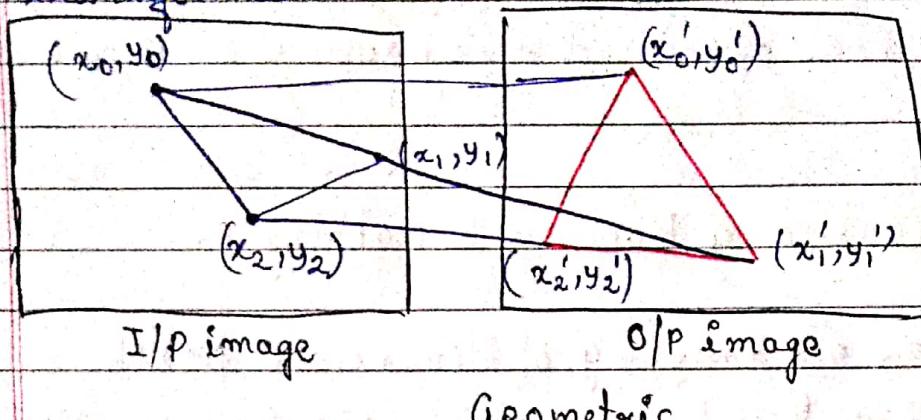
Ex:- Translation of pixel by 3 pixel down and 5 pixel up

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= x + 5 \\y' &= y + 3\end{aligned}\quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Transformation	a_0	a_1	a_2	b_0	b_1	b_2
Translation by $\Delta x, \Delta y$	1	0	Δx	0	1	Δy
Scaling by a factor s	s	0	0	s	s	0
Clockwise rotation through θ	$\cos\theta$	$-\sin\theta$	0	$\sin\theta$	$\cos\theta$	0
Horizontal shear by factor s	1	s	0	0	1	0

Alternative implementation (other than coefficient matrix)

On xy plane, three coordinate points before and after transformation →



Geometric
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Spatial transformation

(Defines how pixels are to be rearranged in the spatially transformed image)

Gray level interpolation

(assigns gray level values to pixels in spatially transformed image)

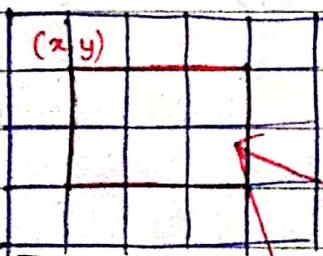
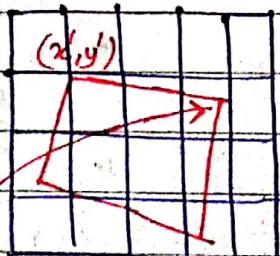


Image f to be restored



Distorted image g

- 1) Select coordinate (x, y) in f to be restored.
- 2) Compute :-

$$x' = r(x, y)$$

$$y' = s(x, y)$$

- 3) Go to pixel (x', y') in a distorted image g

4) get pixel value at $g(x', y')$
By gray level interpolation

- 5) Store that value in pixel $f(x, y)$

Image Rotation by Forward mapping :-

- X It is wasteful, not guaranteed lie within the image.
- Each o/p pixel addressed many times or worse still, not at all.

Image Rotation by Backward mapping :-

Create an o/p image, g , of dimensions $M \times N$.

$$a_0 = \cos \theta$$

$$a_1 = \sin \theta$$

$$b_0 = -a_1$$

$$b_1 = a_0$$

for all pixel coordinates x', y' in g do

$$x = \text{round}(a_0 x' + a_1 y')$$

$$y = \text{round}(b_0 x' + b_1 y')$$

if (x, y) is inside f , then

$$\quad \quad \quad g(x', y') = f(x, y)$$

else

$$\quad \quad \quad g(x', y') = 0$$

end if

end for

Still two problems remain unsolved. —

i) calculated coordinates are real number.

ii) pixels are outside the bounds of image
(this time in i/p image)

Spatial Transformations :-

To map b/w pixel coordinate (x, y) of f and pixel coordinate (x', y') of g

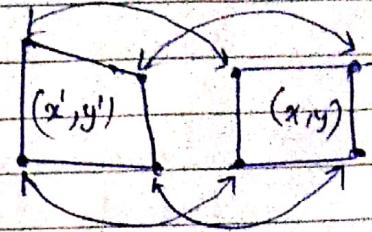
$$x' = r(x, y) \quad y' = s(x, y)$$

For a bilinear transformation mapping b/w a pair of quadrilateral regions,

$$x' = r(x, y) = c_0 + c_1 x + c_2 y + c_3 xy + c_4$$

$$y' = s(x, y) = c_5 x + c_6 y + c_7 xy + c_8$$

To obtain $r(x, y)$ and $s(x, y)$, we need to know 4 pairs of coordinates (x, y) and its corresponding (x', y') which are called tiepoints.



Gray level Interpolation : Nearest Neighbour :-
Since (x', y') may not be at an integer coordinate, we need to interpolate the value of $g(x', y')$

1. Nearest neighbour selection / zero order interpolation
2. Bilinear interpolation
3. Bi-cubic interpolation.

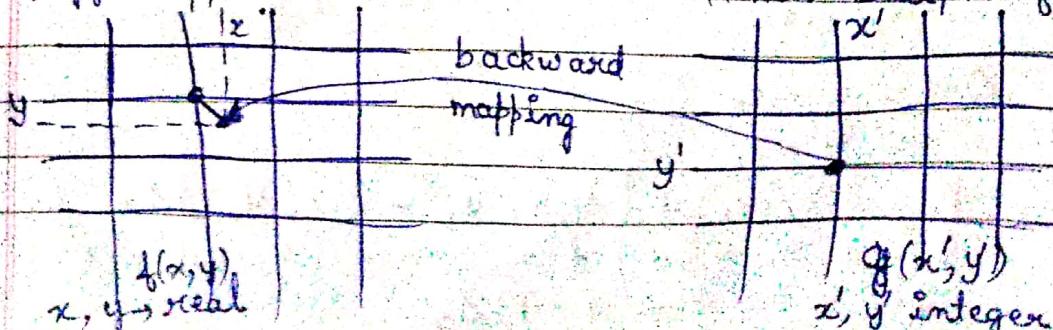
Zero order interpolation :-

The rounding off (x', y') to their nearest integers is known as zero-order or nearest neighbour interpolation.

Advantages :- 1) Computationally simple.

Disadvantages :- 1) Look blocky when scaled up in size by a large factor

2) horizontal or vertical lines may have jagged appearance when rotated with non multiple of 90°

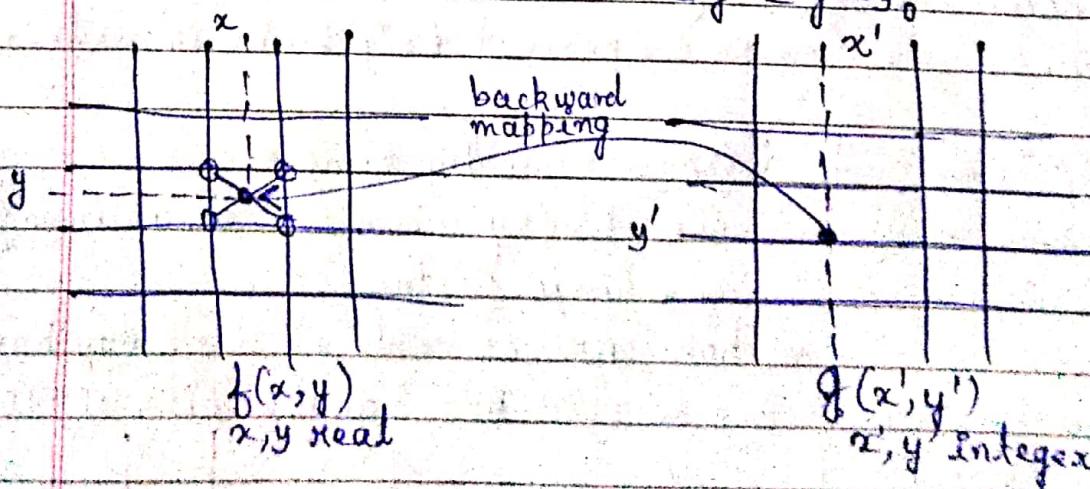


First order interpolation :-

- * requires ten additions and/or subtractions and four multiplications including calculation of Δx and Δy
- * slightly diff. approach requires eight additions or subtractions and three multiplications - looks not much benefit but for real images and for each pixel, this savings is a lot.
- * It demands much more computation than zero-order interpolation but produces smoother and pleasant appearance.
- * computes the o/p pixel gray value as the distance weighted function of four neighbouring pixel's gray values.

$$f(x', y') = f(x_0, y_0) + [f(x_1, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)] \Delta x \\ + [f(x_0, y_1) - f(x_0, y_0)] \Delta y \\ + [f(x_1, y_1) + f(x_0, y_0) - f(x_0, y_1) - f(x_1, y_0)] \Delta x \Delta y$$

$$\Delta x = x' - x_0 \text{ and } \Delta y = y' - y_0$$



$$\Delta x = x' - x_0$$

$$\Delta y = y' - y_0$$

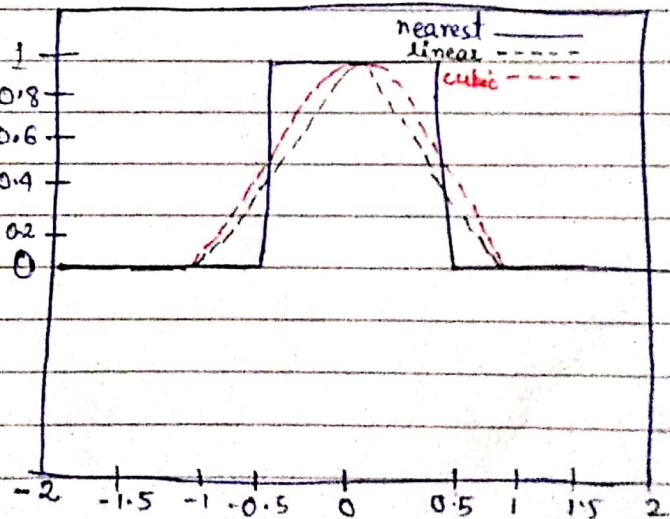
$$p = f(x_0, y_0) + [f(x_1, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)] \Delta x$$

$$q = f(x_0, y_1) + [f(x_1, y_1) - f(x_0, y_1)] \Delta x$$

$$f(x', y') = p + (q - p) \Delta y$$

Higher order (bi-cubic) interpolation:

- * uses 16×16 neighbourhood pixels.
- * convolution of (16×16) neighbors using cubic fn. $f(x)$
- * jump discontinuity in zero-order causes blockiness/jaggedness.
- * Linear and bi-cubic are like low pass filter, difference in continuous slope in the latter, while the former shows sudden change in slopes.
- * cubic function has -ve slope, meaning that weighted sum of neighbouring pixels minus the contribution of slightly farther pixels.



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Image Segmentation

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- Our discussion so far was restricted towards improvement in visual quality of images by enhancement technique or to correct defect by means of image restoration.
- Segmentation of image is the first step towards image analysis or interpreting an image automatically.
- Segmentation of an image means partitioning of an image into distinct regions formed by the set of correlated pixels representing the objects or features of interest.
- In other words, segmentation can be thought of a process of grouping together pixels that have similar attributes.
- Image segmentation divides an image into regions that are connected and have some similarity within the region and some difference between adjacent regions.

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Goals of image segmentation

- The purpose of image segmentation is to partition an image into *meaningful* regions with respect to a particular application
- The goal is usually to **find individual objects** in an image.
- Thus segmentation is based on measurements taken from the image and might be *grey level, colour, texture, depth or motion*

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Function and typical applications

- Segmentation bridges the gap between the low level image processing (involving the gray values or color of the pixel to correct defect or enhance the characteristics of image for improving visual appearance/quality) and the high level image processing involving image analysis with feature of interest like shape, size, count of objects etc.
- Segmentation finds application in detection, recognition, and measurement of objects in images. Typical applications include
 - Industrial inspection
 - Optical character recognition (OCR)
 - Object tracking in sequence of images
 - Classification of terrains in satellite images
 - Detection and measurement of bone, tissue etc. in medical images

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Applications of image segmentation

- Filtering of noisy images, identifying noise pixel(s) from the signal (surprise!! issue of enhancement ?)
- Medical applications (Locate tumors and other pathologies, Measure tissue volumes, Computer guided surgery, Diagnosis, Treatment planning, study of anatomical structure)
- Locate objects in satellite images (roads, forests, etc.)
- Face Recognition, Fingerprint Recognition
- Count of RBC, platelets in blood cell images

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Challenges in Segmentation

- Non-Uniformity i.e. Differences in intensity values over an organ.
- Presence of non-uniform large and small numbers of objects with missing and/or imprecise boundaries etc present in it.
- Poor illumination- a defect in image acquisition
- In many practical situations, medical images are captured at low measurement spaces i.e. at compressed sensing (CS) paradigm for a variety of reasons, for example, due to the limited number of sensors used or measurements may be extremely expensive.
- Presence Noise during imaging, storage and transmission

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Role of segmentation and challenges

- Segmentation plays an important role in image analysis. Success or failure of such image analysis to a great extent depends on success or failure of segmentation.
- Reliable and accurate segmentation of an image by complete automatic means is really challenging.
- Segmentation techniques can be classified broadly in two ways: **contextual and non-contextual segmentation**.
- Non-contextual segmentation: pixels are group together based on some global attributes such as gray value, color etc. Methods ignore the connectivity or relationship between features, point processing ignoring connectivity.
- Contextual techniques consider both attributes and closeness/relationship and connectivity.

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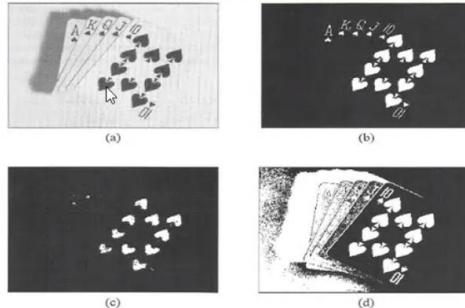
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Importance of proper T value?

In thresholded image, non-zero value is assumed to be “interesting” and zero (0) value indicates no significance. However, if we like to highlight dark feature, then it can be written as follows:

$$g(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & f(x, y) \leq T, \\ 0, & f(x, y) > T, \end{cases}$$

The success or otherwise of thresholding depends on the selection of the proper “threshold” value. This can be seen from the images



Importance of accurate threshold selection. (a) Input image. (b) Correct choice of threshold ($T = 90$). (c) Threshold too low ($T = 40$). (d) Threshold too high ($T = 215$).

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Thresholding

- Thresholding maps a dataset that varies over a range into two (may be more also using multiple thresholds) values or group. Given an input image, say grey scale image, thresholding maps all the input values below the threshold value to one level of output value, while map all the input values at or above the threshold values to other level.
- Thresholding is used a lot in different image processing operations that include enhancement, segmentation etc.
- Thresholding of different image attributes, for example, gray values, color information, edge, texture, smoothness (measured by variance), average information (entropy) etc. used in image segmentation.
- The challenge is how to determine the “optimal threshold” values and possibly by automatic means so that positive rate of “object” detection to be high and false value to be low.



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Non-contextual Segmentation: Thresholding

Given an input image, say grey scale image, image thresholding yields two values depending on whether some property measured from the image falls below (assigned to one level) or the property equals or exceeds (assigned to other level) the threshold. Thus thresholding creates a binary image, the generated output image depends on the property being thresholded.

Revert back to our discussion on edge detection (image enhancement), thresholding implies whether the edge value i.e. the strength of the gradient value is below the threshold value (set the output value 0, considered not a proper edge) otherwise set the value 1 or 255 (for display purpose) to indicate the proper edge.

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Thresholding of pixel grey level

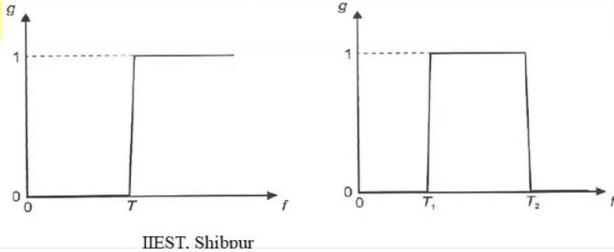
The most common form of image thresholding uses pixel grey value

$$g(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0, & f(x, y) < T, \\ 1, & f(x, y) \geq T, \end{cases}$$

Here, T is the threshold, $f(x, y)$ and $g(x, y)$ are the grey value of input and the output image, respectively. A variation of above form is as follows

$$g(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0, & f(x, y) < T_1, \\ 1, & T_1 \leq f(x, y) \leq T_2 \\ 0, & f(x, y) > T_2. \end{cases}$$

Two thresholds T_1 and T_2 are used to define acceptable range of grey values. The above two mathematical forms can be shown pictorially as



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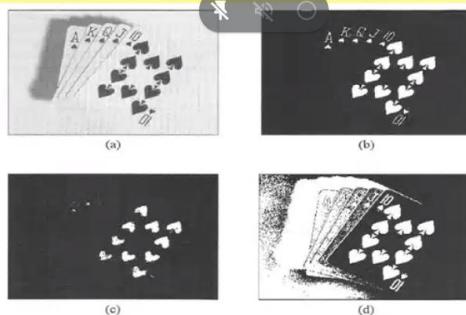
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Importance of proper T value?

In thresholded image, non-zero value is assumed to be “interesting” and zero (0) value indicates no significance. However, if we like to highlight dark feature, then it can be written as follows:

$$g(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & f(x, y) \leq T, \\ 0, & f(x, y) > T, \end{cases}$$

The success or otherwise of thresholding depends on the selection of the proper “threshold” value. This can be seen from the images



Importance of accurate threshold selection. (a) Input image. (b) Correct choice of threshold ($T = 90$). (c) Threshold too low ($T = 40$). (d) Threshold too high ($T = 215$).

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Geometric Transformations

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- * Choosing T value so that a fixed proportion of pixel values are detected. This works well if we know in advance/a priori that a certain proportion of pixels associated with feature of interest. Typical applications include OCR or industrial inspection.

Histogram of the images may also be used for “threshold” selection. This is based on the assumption that different features give rise to different peaks in histogram.

A histogram plot showing frequency (y-axis, 0 to 10000) versus grey level (x-axis, 0 to 250). Three vertical arrows indicate thresholds: $T=40$ (low), $T=90$ (correct), and $T=215$ (high). The plot shows a main peak at $T=215$ and smaller peaks at $T=40$ and $T=90$.

Histogram of the image showing thresholds that are too low (40), correct (90) and too high (215).

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* Often histogram peaks corresponding to two features overlap. The degree of overlap depends on peak separation and peak width. In such case threshold may be chosen in the valley between the two peaks. Such threshold (not the optimal) leads to false detection or rejection of some pixels. The optimal threshold minimizes false detection or rejection of pixels.

The optimal threshold, in general, does not occur at the lowest point in the valley between the two overlapping peaks.

frequency

peak 1
peak 2
histogram

optimal
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grey level

Optimal threshold between two overlapping peaks of a histogram.

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Iterative method of automatic threshold selection

One way to determine is iterative method that starts with an initial guess as threshold and then refines the estimate by successive passes through the images.

* Initial guess may be the mean grey level of the image or the average value of the mean of the corner pixels and the mean of the all other pixel grey values. Assumption considers that corner pixels represent the background rather than objects.

Four to ten iterations converge (algo. For IP lab/assignment)

Iterative threshold determination.

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Compute  $\mu_1$ , the mean grey level of the corner pixels
Compute  $\mu_2$ , the mean grey level of all other pixels
 $T_{old} = 0$ 
 $T_{new} = (\mu_1 + \mu_2)/2$ 
while  $T_{new} \neq T_{old}$  do
     $\mu_1$  = mean grey level of pixels for which  $f(x, y) < T_{new}$ 
     $\mu_2$  = mean grey level of pixels for which  $f(x, y) \geq T_{new}$ 
     $T_{old} = T_{new}$ 
     $T_{new} = (\mu_1 + \mu_2)/2$ 
end while

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Contextual Technique

- * Thresholding group together pixels with similar global attributes without considering their physical proximity.
- * Two Pixels, even if they are in two opposite corners of an image, be detected if their grey values are above the threshold value.
- These two pixels will be distinguished if we take into account their separation. This is the    contextual segmentation.
- Thus contextual segmentation depends on some attributes of the pixels but also their belongingness to a region.
- Contextual segmentation are based on the (i) concept of similarity or Concept of discontinuity.

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Concept of discontinuity or similarity

- Concept of discontinuity attempts to partition images by detecting abrupt changes (edge detection) in the grey values.
- Edge detection performs proper segmentation if it completes a Boundary that encloses relatively uniform regions.
- * Techniques based of similarity form uniform regions by grouping together the connected pixels satisfying similarity criterion.
- Methods based on discontinuity and similarity mirror each-other in the sense that completion of a boundary is equivalent to Partitioning or breaking one region into two.
- Pixel connectivity- (i)4-neighbourhood (ii)8-neighbourhood

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Region Similarity

The similarity of a region of pixels may be characterized by uniformity predicate, a logical statement that is true if neighboring pixels are very similar in some attribute, say, grey values, color, etc.

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$$P(R) = \begin{cases} \text{TRUE} & \text{if } |f(j, k) - f(m, n)| \leq \Delta \\ \text{FALSE} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

Where (j, k) and (m, n) are the coordinates of the neighboring pixels and f is their grey values. Region R to be uniform if and only if the two neighboring pixels differ in grey values by no more than Δ .

A misconception may be that the grey level variation within the regions may be within the bound specified. However, small change from neighbor to neighbor can accumulate and exceeds the bound between the pixels in two opposite sides of region.

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A similar predicate may be as follows

$$P(R) = \begin{cases} \text{TRUE} & \text{if } |f(j, k) - \mu_{R^c}| \leq \Delta \\ \text{FALSE} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

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where $f(j, k)$ is the grey value at pixel (j, k) , μ_{R^c} is the mean grey value of all pixels in the region R except the pixel at (j, k) .

* The value of Δ in both the uniformity predicates has an important role in segmentation results. Hence, its proper value to be selected. Its optimal value can be determined by solving some criterion of $P(R)$, may be characterized by variance of R or by average information content which is a measure of entropy for the region R . ** (a research or project problem)

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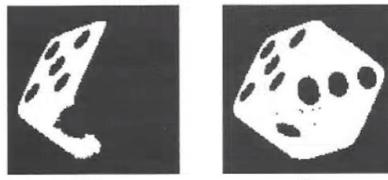
Region Growing: Typical Example

A typical example of region grown up with 8-connectivity and $\Delta = 3$ is shown below

* Region developed is sensitive to connectivity (4 or 8) and value of uniformity threshold (see figure of dice, two results with Δ value 41, 42)

0 0 5 6 7	0 0 5 6 7	0 0 5 6 7
1 1 5 8 7	1 1 5 8 7	1 1 5 8 7
0 1 6 7 7	0 1 6 7 7	0 1 6 7 7
2 0 7 6 6	2 0 7 6 6	2 0 7 6 6
0 1 5 6 5	0 1 5 6 5	0 1 5 6 5

(a) Region growing. (a) Seed pixels. (b) First iteration. (c) Final iteration.



(a) (b)

Sensitivity of Δ . (a) Region grown with $\Delta = 41$. (b) Region grown with $\Delta = 42$.

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Region Growing

Region growing is a bottom up approach that starts with a set of seed pixels. Each seed will then grow up to a uniform region by adding pixels where a pixel to be added to the region *iff*

1. The pixel has not been assigned to any region
2. The pixel is a neighbor of that region
3. The new region created by addition of the pixel is still uniform

Region growing.

Let f be an image for which regions are to be grown
Define a set of regions, R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n , each consisting of a single seed pixel
repeat

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for i = 1 to n do
    for each pixel, p, at the border of  $R_i$  do
        for all neighbours of p do
            Let x, y be the neighbour's coordinates
            Let  $\mu_i$  be the mean grey level of pixels in  $R_i$ 
            if the neighbour is unassigned and  $|f(x, y) - \mu_i| \leq \Delta$  then
                Add neighbour to  $R_i$ 
                Update  $\mu_i$ 
            end if
        end for
    end for
until no more pixels are being assigned to regions
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Limitations of Region Growing Techniques

- Region growing (RG) technique is not a stable operation. Results differ with the (i) choice of connectivity (4 or 8-connectivity) and (ii) Choice of value of Δ
- See (previous slide) difference in segmentation results for dice image with Δ value 41 and 42, respectively.
- Complete segmentation must satisfy a number of criteria
 - (i) All pixels must be assigned to regions
 - (ii) Each pixel must belong to a single region
 - (iii) Each region must be a connected set of pixels
 - (iv) Each region must be uniform
 - (v) Any merged pairs of adjacent regions must be non-uniform

Limitation of RG: RG satisfies third and fourth criteria.
RG does not satisfy first and second one, as number of seeds specified may not sufficient to create region for every pixel.
RG also does not satisfy the fifth criterion

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Spilt and merge method

- * A complete segmentation is possible through top-down (remember region growing was a bottom-up approach) approach in which the whole image is considered as a single region.
- * Hence, uniformity predicate will not be met for the whole image which needs division of the image into sub-regions.
- The Sub-regions are split or merged iteratively until uniformity predicate is met or until desired number of regions are formed.
- If image be a square image, then it needs division in quadrant, sub-quadrant so on until, for any region R, $P(R)$ is True
- The use of splitting method alone may lead to many small, uniform adjacent regions with identical properties. Hence, merging of regions, say R_i and R_j , is needed so that $P(R_i \cup R_j)$ is true (\cup indicates union operation).

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Segmentation using other image properties

- Apart from grey value or color value, edge, texture, depth, motion, entropy etc are used for thresholding to accomplish image segmentation. Even there are variations in various thresholdings

Global thresholding- When 'Thr' depends only on the grey level value of image and 'Thr' is solely related to the properties of pixel in the image.

Otsu method, entropy based thresholding (see literature)

Local thresholding- If threshold T depends on both $f(x, y)$ and $p(x, y)$.

Statistical thresholding, 2-D entropy-based thresholding, histogram transformation thresholding (see literature)

Dynamic thresholding- If, in an image, there are several objects taking up different gray level regions, the image should be partitioned with various dynamic thresholds($T_1, T_2 \dots T_n$), depending on $f(x, y)$, $p(x, y)$ and the spatial coordinates x and y ,

thresholding image, Watershed, interpolatory thresholding (see literature)

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Image segmentation examples

- Example 1
 - Segmentation based on greyscale
 - Very simple ‘model’ of greyscale leads to inaccuracies in object labelling



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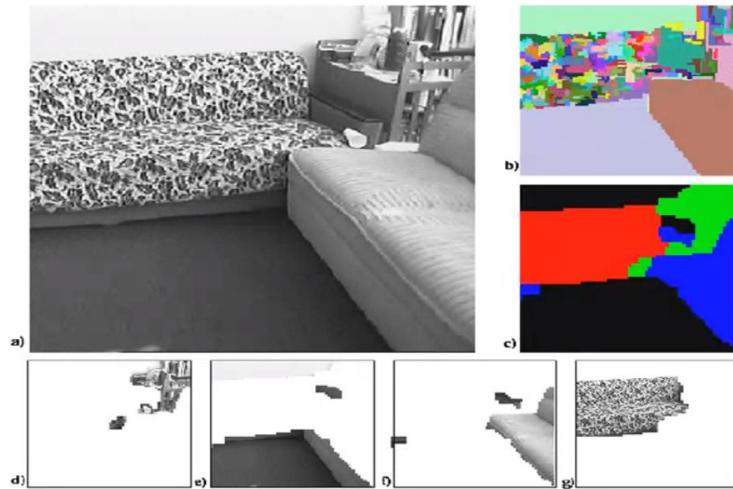
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- Example 2
 - Segmentation based on texture
 - Enables object surfaces with varying patterns of grey to be segmented
 - Texture can be measured using statistical parameter, say variance, involving group of pixels, unlike grey value of single pixel.

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Image segmentation examples



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Image segmentation examples

- Example 3
 - Segmentation based on **motion**
 - The main difficulty of motion segmentation is that an intermediate step is required to (either implicitly or explicitly) estimate an *optical flow field*
 - The segmentation must be based on this estimate and not, in general, the true flow

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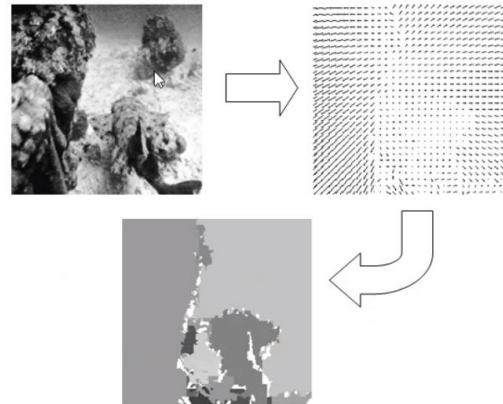
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- Example 4
 - Segmentation based on depth
 - This example shows a range image, obtained with a laser range finder
 - A segmentation based on the range (the object distance from the sensor) is useful in guiding mobile robots

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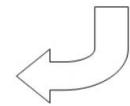
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