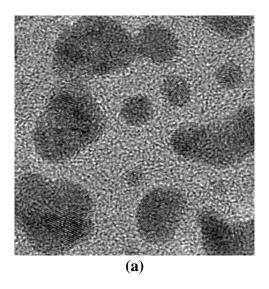
MISCADA Image Analysis questions (II)

Please submit answers on DUO

(1) TIFF files for the two images shown below are provided on DUO. They are images of gold nanoparticles (dark features) on a carbon support film. The first (figure 1a) was acquired with an optimum exposure, such that individual features are easily discernible. The second (figure 1b) image was deliberately acquired with a short exposure time, in order to introduce noise.



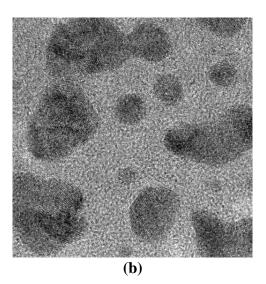


Figure 1: Images of gold nanoparticles on a carbon support film. Image (a) is acquired with an optimum exposure time, while (b) is underexposed.

i) For the short exposure time image write a programme to generate the 3x3 and 5x5 median filtered images.

[8 marks]

ii) Generate the Fourier transform of the filtered images as well as the optimum exposure time image. You may use a Fast Fourier Transform command in your programming language.

[8 marks]

iii) Taking the optimum exposure time image as the true 'object' discuss the effect median filtering has on the underexposed image and its Fourier transform.

[4 marks]