

In [2]:

```
%matplotlib inline
import sys
sys.path.insert(0, '..')
from IPython.display import HTML, Image, SVG, YouTubeVideo
from helpers import compare
```

## Rank based filters

### Rank vs. weighted sum

If the local processing consists in something different from a weighted sum of neighbor pixels, one can speak of non-linear filters.

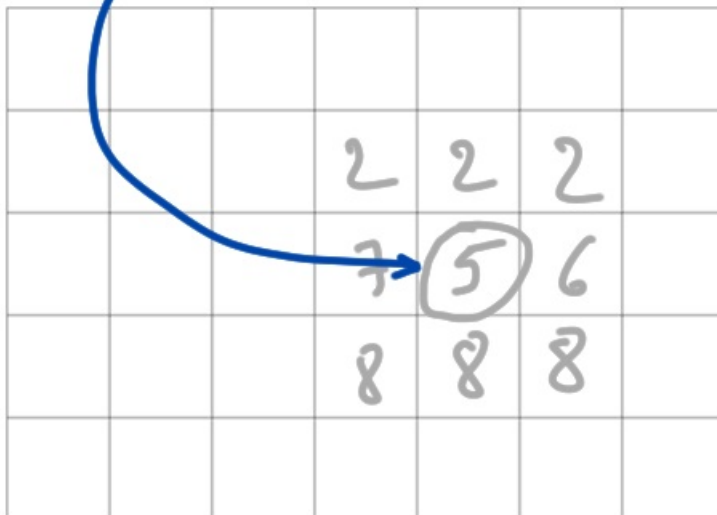
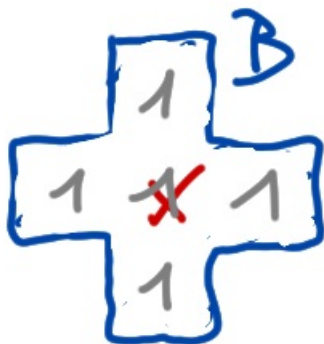
One important category of non-linear filters are the *rank filters*.

These filters use the ranked levels from the neighborhood.

In [3]:

```
Image('http://homepages.ulb.ac.be/~odebeir/data/median.png')
```

Out[3]:



2, 2, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8, 8

↑  
median

In [4]:

```
from skimage.data import camera
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

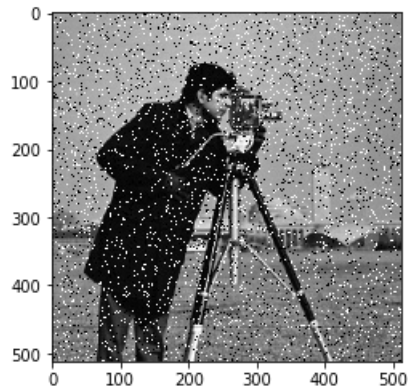
# Salt and pepper noise filtering
ima = camera()
plt.imshow(ima, cmap=plt.cm.gray)

n = np.random.random(ima.shape)

noised_ima = ima.copy()

noised_ima[n<.05] = 0
noised_ima[n>.95] = 255

plt.imshow(noised_ima, cmap=plt.cm.gray);
```

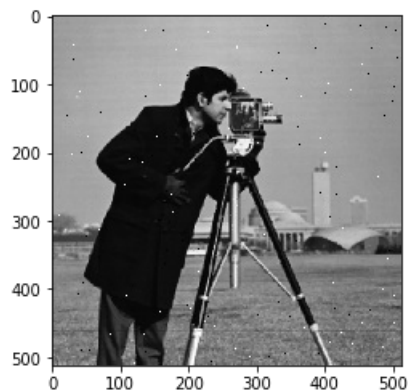


In [5]:

```
from skimage.filters import rank as skr
from skimage.morphology import disk

filtered_im = skr.median(noised_ima, disk(1))

plt.imshow(filtered_im, cmap=plt.cm.gray);
```



In [6]:

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.cm as cm
import numpy as np
from scipy import ndimage

from skimage.data import camera
import skimage.filters.rank as skr
from skimage.morphology import disk

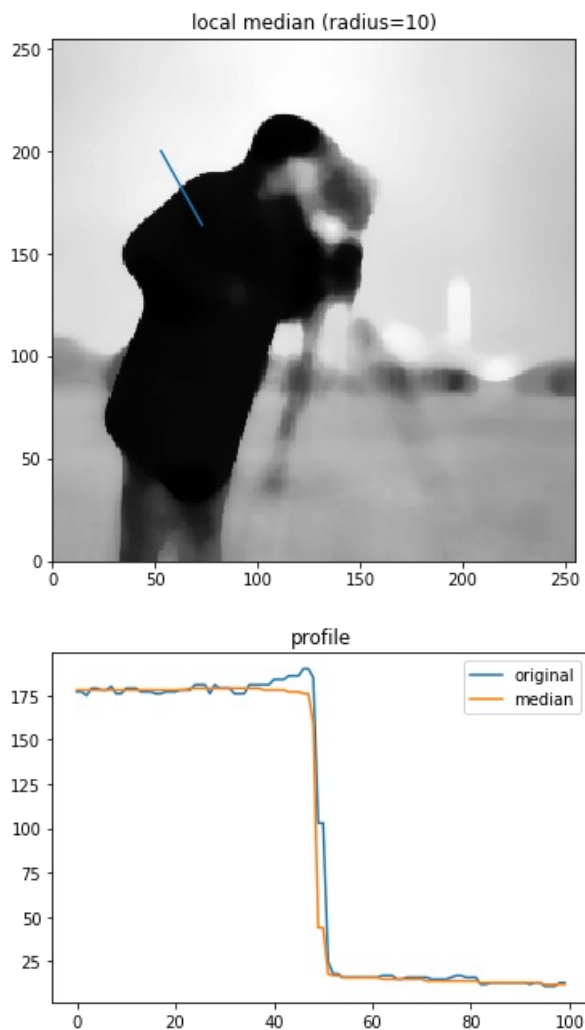
def profile(ima,p0,p1,num):
    n = np.linspace(p0[0],p1[0],num)
    m = np.linspace(p0[1],p1[1],num)
    return [n,m,ndimage.map_coordinates(ima, [m,n], order=0)]

im = camera()[-1::-2,::2]

#filtered version
rank = skr.median(im,disk(10))
[x,y,p] = profile(im,(53,200),(73,164),100)
[x,y,prank] = profile(rank,(53,200),(73,164),100)

fig = plt.figure(1,figsize=[6,6])
plt.imshow(rank,interpolation='nearest',cmap=cm.gray,origin='lower')
plt.title('local median (radius=10)')
plt.plot(x,y)
plt.gca().set_xlim((0,255))
plt.gca().set_ylim((0,255))

fig = plt.figure(2)
plt.plot(p,label='original')
plt.plot(prank,label='median')
plt.title('profile')
plt.legend();
```

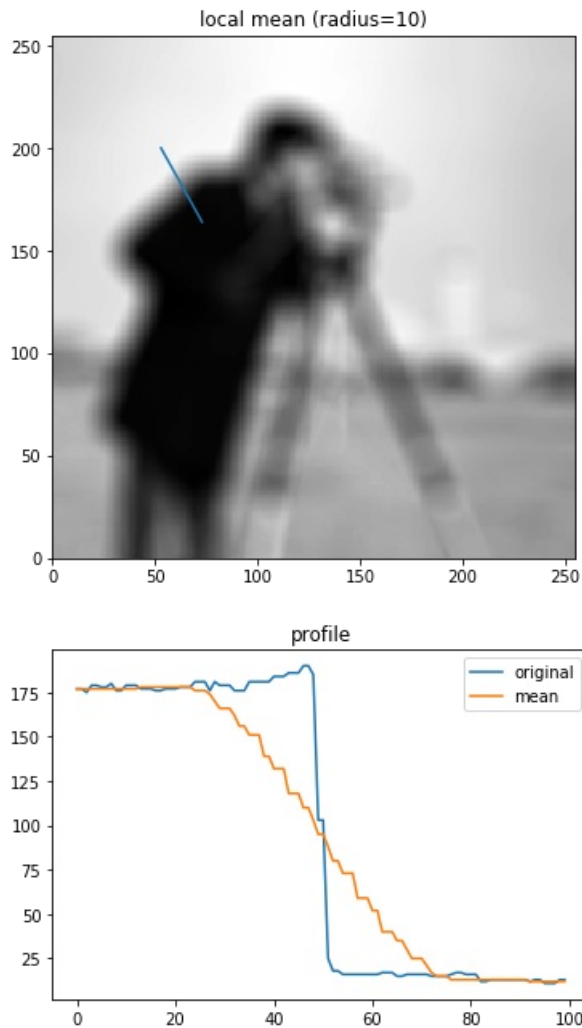


In [7]:

```
#filtered version
mean = skr.mean(im,disk(10))
[x,y,p] = profile(im,(53,200),(73,164),100)
[x,y,pmean] = profile(mean,(53,200),(73,164),100)

fig = plt.figure(1,figsize=[6,6])
plt.imshow(mean,interpolation='nearest',cmap=cm.gray,origin='lower')
plt.title('local mean (radius=10)')
plt.plot(x,y)
plt.gca().set_xlim((0,255))
plt.gca().set_ylim((0,255))

fig = plt.figure(2)
plt.plot(p,label='original')
plt.plot(pmean,label='mean')
plt.title('profile')
plt.legend();
```



Question:

- what can we conclude about the border sharpness of the filtered image between the linear smoothing and the median filter?

## Local histogram method

In [8]:

Image('http://homepages.ulb.ac.be/~odebeir/data/histo1.png')

Out[8]:

#

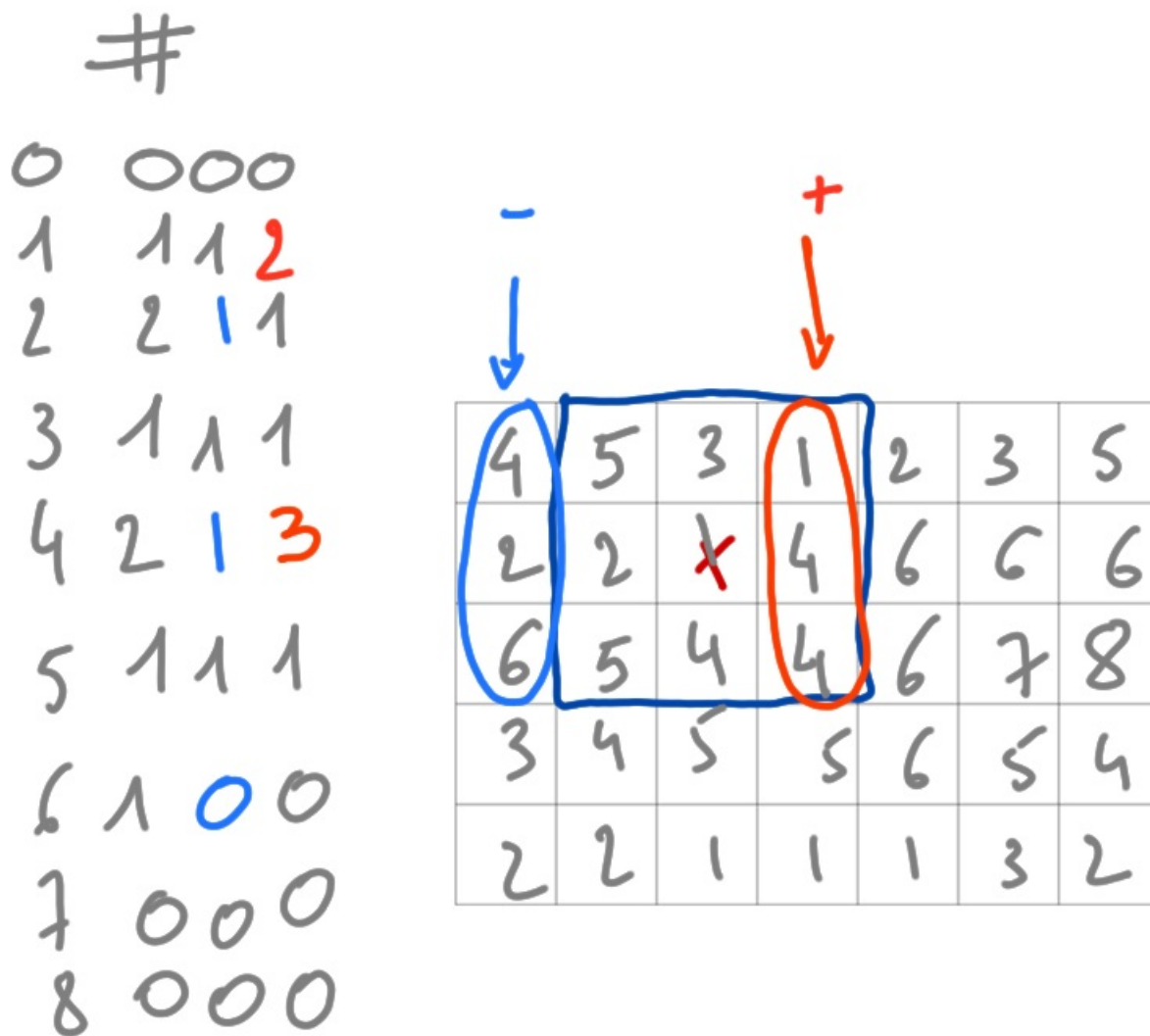
0 0  
1 1  
2 2  
3 1  
4 1  
5 1  
6 1  
7 0  
8 0

4	5	3	1	2	3	5
2	<del>2</del>	1	4	6	6	6
6	5	4	4	6	7	8
3	4	5	5	6	5	4
2	2	1	1	1	3	2

In [9]:

Image('http://homepages.ulb.ac.be/~odebeir/data/histo2.png')

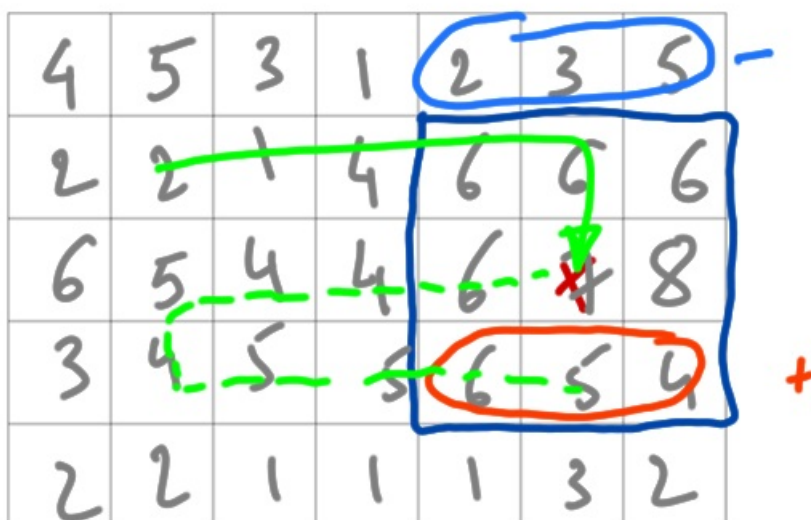
Out[9]:



In [10]:

Image('http://homepages.ulb.ac.be/~odebeir/data/histo3.png')

Out[10]:



## Local maximum, local minimum

Local minimum value and local maximum value are special case of the ranked gray levels.

The figure bellow illustrates the effect of respectively replacing the pixel:

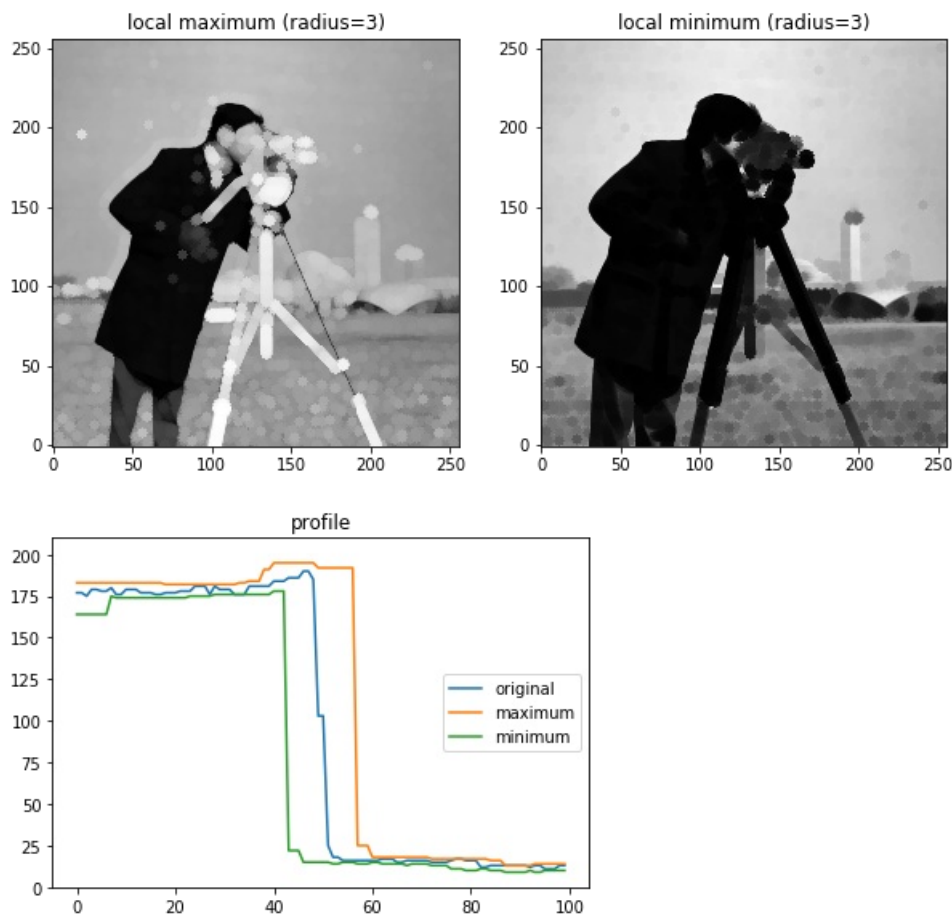
- by the highest value of its neighborhood, the local maximum,
- by the lowest value of its neighborhood, the local minimum.

In [11]:

```
#filtered version
radius = 3
selem = disk(radius)
rank1 = skr.maximum(im,selem)
rank2 = skr.minimum(im,selem)
rank3 = skr.gradient(im,selem)
[x,y,p] = profile(im,(53,200),(73,164),100)
[x,y,prank1] = profile(rank1,(53,200),(73,164),100)
[x,y,prank2] = profile(rank2,(53,200),(73,164),100)
[x,y,prank3] = profile(rank3,(53,200),(73,164),100)

fig = plt.figure(1,figsize=[10,10])
plt.subplot(1,2,1)
plt.imshow(rank1,interpolation='nearest',cmap=cm.gray,origin='lower')
plt.title('local maximum (radius=%d)'%radius)
plt.subplot(1,2,2)
plt.imshow(rank2,interpolation='nearest',cmap=cm.gray,origin='lower')
plt.title('local minimum (radius=%d)'%radius)

fig = plt.figure(2)
plt.plot(p,label='original')
plt.plot(prank1,label='maximum')
plt.plot(prank2,label='minimum')
plt.title('profile')
plt.gca().set_ylim([0,210])
plt.legend(loc=5);
```



Question:

- How to compute borders using local maximum and local minimum ?

# Local contrast enhancement

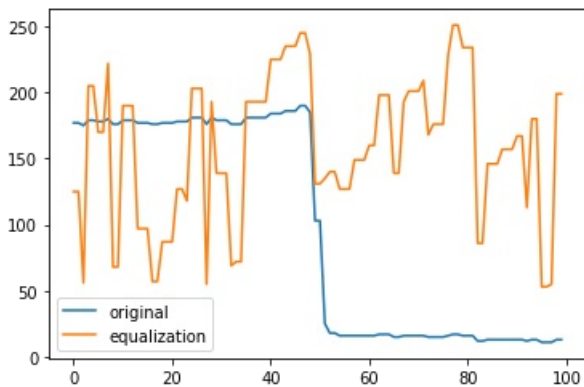
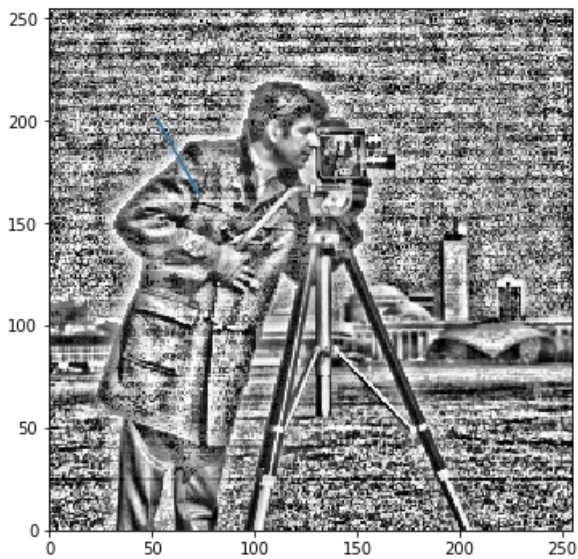
## Local contrast equalization

In [12]:

```
#local equalization
rank = skr.equalize(im,disk(10))
[x,y,p] = profile(im,(53,200),(73,164),100)
[x,y,prank] = profile(rank,(53,200),(73,164),100)

fig = plt.figure(1,figsize=[6,6])
plt.imshow(rank,interpolation='nearest',cmap=cm.gray,origin='lower')
plt.plot(x,y)
plt.gca().set_xlim((0,255))
plt.gca().set_ylim((0,255))

fig = plt.figure(2)
plt.plot(p,label='original')
plt.plot(prank,label='equalization')
plt.legend();
```



Question:

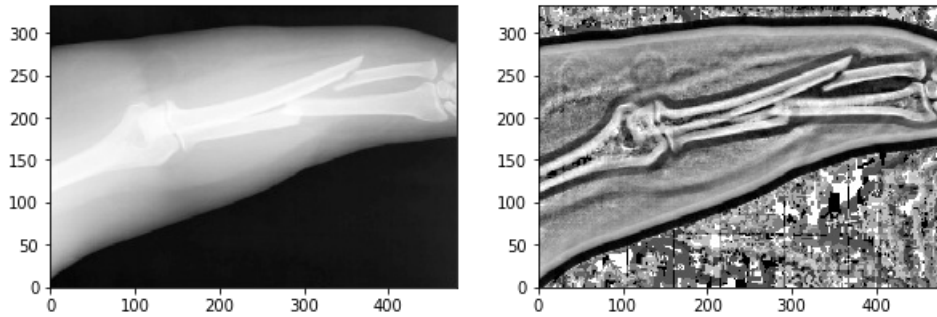
- How to compute an histogram equalization?



In [13]:

```
#local auto-level
from skimage.io import imread
ima = imread('http://homepages.ulb.ac.be/~odebeir/data/bones.png')
rank = skr.autolevel(ima,disk(10))

compare(ima,rank)
```



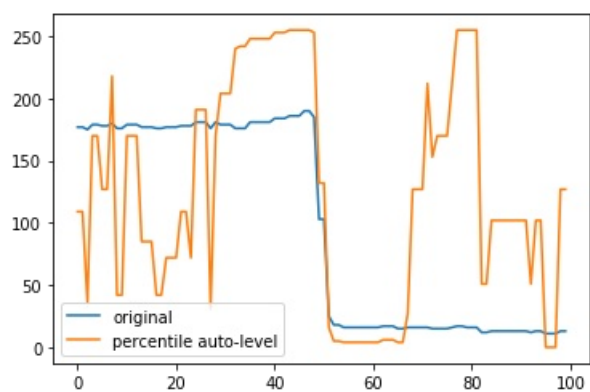
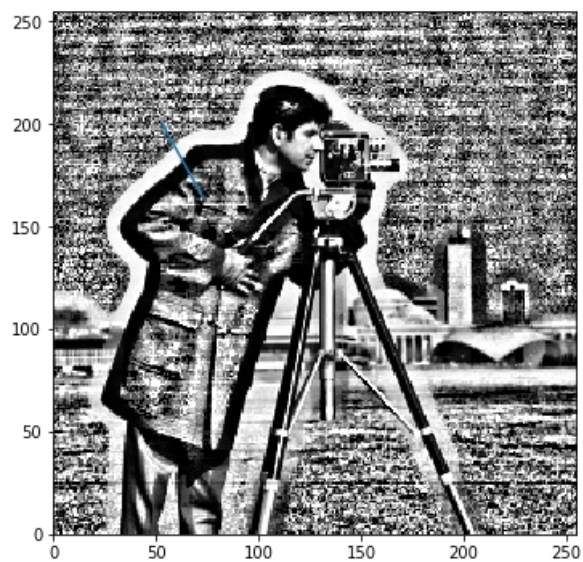
## Local autolevel (with percentile)

In [14]:

```
#local soft autolevel
rank = skr.autolevel_percentile(im,disk(10),p0=.1,p1=.9)
[x,y,p] = profile(im,(53,200),(73,164),100)
[x,y,p_rank] = profile(rank,(53,200),(73,164),100)

fig = plt.figure(1,figsize=[6,6])
plt.imshow(rank,interpolation='nearest',cmap=cm.gray,origin='lower')
plt.plot(x,y)
plt.gca().set_xlim((0,255))
plt.gca().set_ylim((0,255))

fig = plt.figure(2)
plt.plot(p,label='original')
plt.plot(p_rank,label='percentile auto-level')
plt.legend();
```



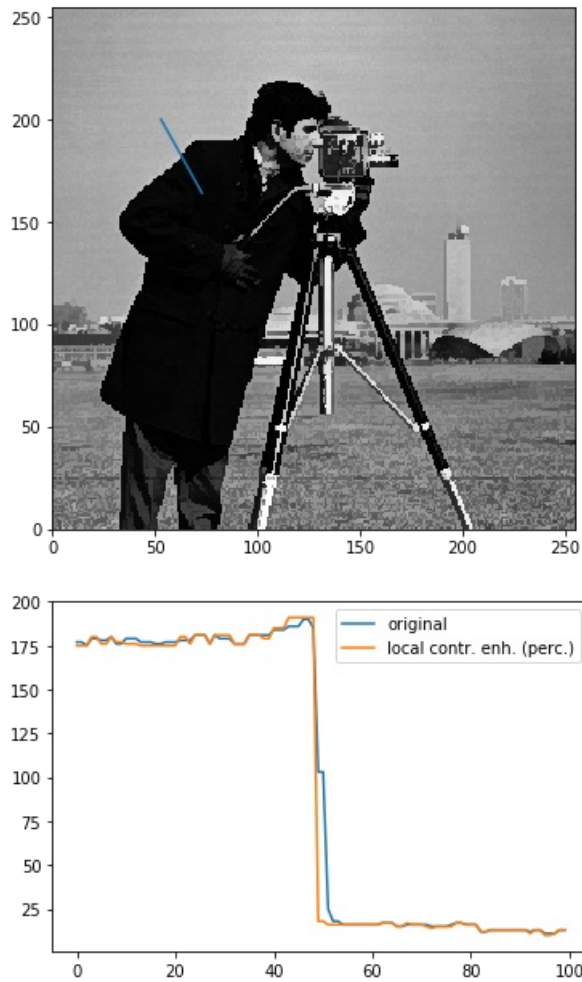
**Local morphological contrast enhancement**

In [15]:

```
#local soft autolevel
rank = skr.enhance_contrast_percentile(im,disk(2),p0=.1,p1=.9)
[x,y,p] = profile(im,(53,200),(73,164),100)
[x,y,prank] = profile(rank,(53,200),(73,164),100)

fig = plt.figure(1,figsize=[6,6])
plt.imshow(rank,interpolation='nearest',cmap=cm.gray,origin='lower')
plt.plot(x,y)
plt.gca().set_xlim((0,255))
plt.gca().set_ylim((0,255))

fig = plt.figure(2)
plt.plot(p,label='original')
plt.plot(prank,label='local contr. enh. (perc.)')
plt.legend();
```



## Local threshold

In [16]:

```
p0 = (53,200)
p1 = (73,164)

[x,y,p] = profile(im, p0, p1,100)
[x,y,prank] = profile(rank, p0, p1,100)

fig = plt.figure(0)
plt.imshow(im,interpolation='nearest',cmap=cm.gray,origin='lower')
plt.plot(x,y)
plt.gca().set_xlim((0,255))
plt.gca().set_ylim((0,255))

fig = plt.figure(1)
plt.imshow(rank,interpolation='nearest',cmap=cm.gray,origin='lower')
plt.plot(x,y)
plt.gca().set_xlim((0,255))
plt.gca().set_ylim((0,255))

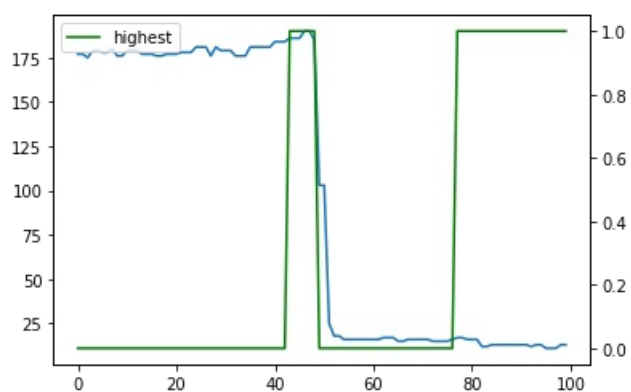
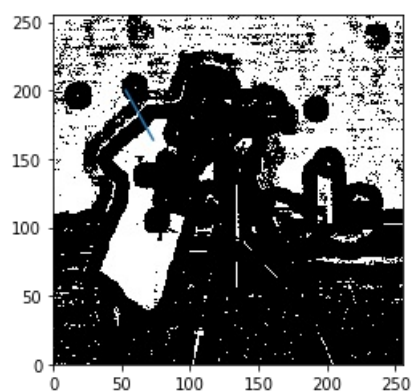
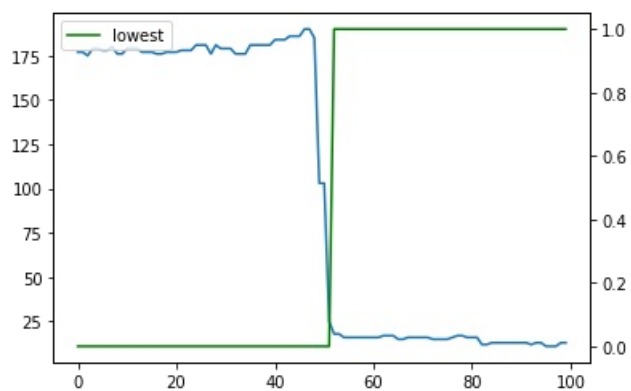
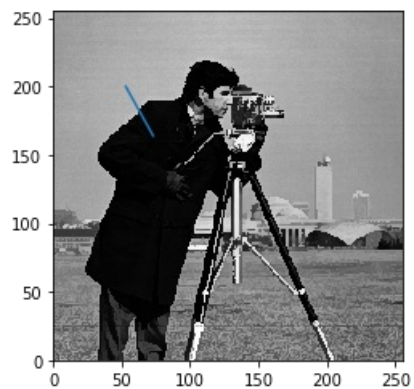
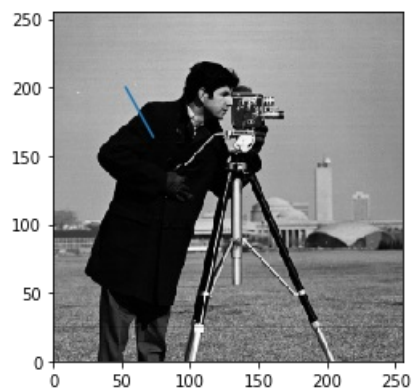
low = im<=(skr.minimum(im,disk(10))+10)
[x,y,p] = profile(im, p0, p1,100)
[x,y,prank] = profile(low, p0, p1,100)

fig = plt.figure(2)
ax1 = plt.subplot(1, 1, 1)
ax2 = ax1.twinx()
ax1.plot(p,label='original')
ax2.plot(prank,'g',label='lowest')
ax2.legend()

high = im>=(skr.maximum(im,disk(10))-10)
[x,y,p] = profile(im, p0, p1,100)
[x,y,prank] = profile(high, p0, p1,100)

fig = plt.figure(3)
plt.imshow(high,interpolation='nearest',cmap=cm.gray,origin='lower')
plt.plot(x,y)
plt.gca().set_xlim((0,255))
plt.gca().set_ylim((0,255))

fig = plt.figure(4)
ax1 = plt.subplot(1, 1, 1)
ax2 = ax1.twinx()
ax1.plot(p,label='original')
ax2.plot(prank,'g',label='highest')
ax2.legend();
```



# others non linear-filters

## Bi-lateral filtering

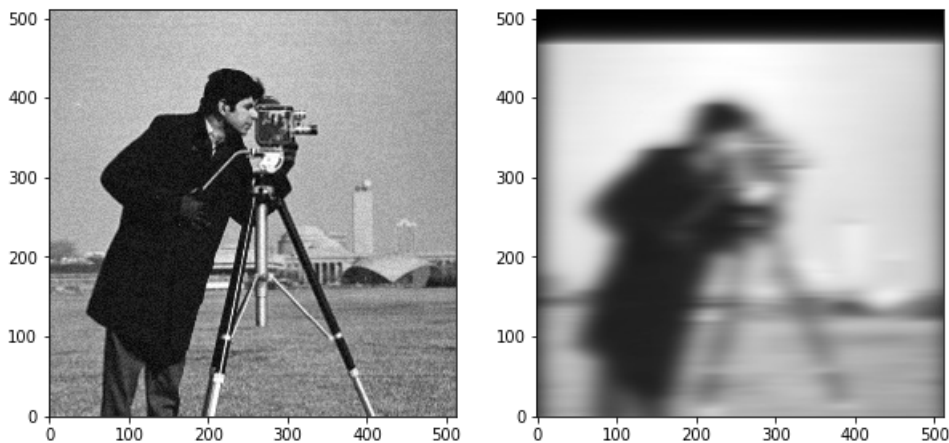
We define the neighborhood of a pixel as:

- a local spatial neighborhood and
- a spectral (gray-level) neighborhood

In [17]:

```
from skimage.restoration import denoise_bilateral
from skimage import img_as_float
ima = img_as_float(camera()[-1::-1])
#add noise
noisy = np.clip(ima+.1*np.random.random(ima.shape),0,1)
bilat = denoise_bilateral(noisy, sigma_spatial=15,multichannel=False)

compare(255*noisy,255*bilat)
```



see also:

- bi-lateral filtering [Paris08 \(../00-Preface/06-References.ipynb#\[Paris08\]\)](#)

## Anisotropic filter

### Nagao

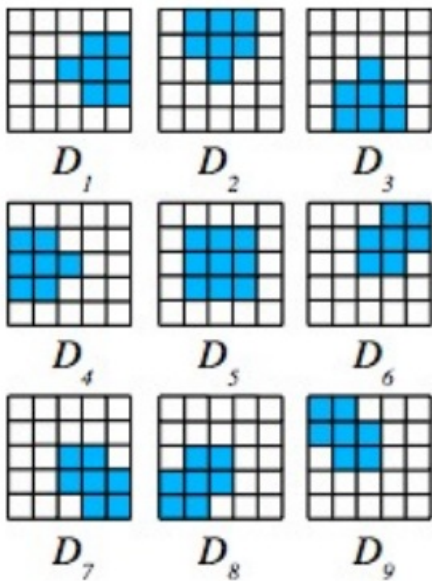
This is an edge preserving smoothing.

- one define 5 anisotropic 5x5 complementary filters (<>directions)
- mean and variance are computed on filter
- filtered value is the mean of the lowest variance filter

In [18]:

```
Image('http://homepages.ulb.ac.be/~odebeir/data/nagao.png')
```

Out[18]:



see also:

- Edge preserving smoothing. Makoto Nagao and Takashi Matsuyama. Computer Graphics and Image Processing. Volume 9, Issue 4, April 1979, Pages 394-407
- Rotating filter [IPAMV \(../00-Preface/06-References.ipynb#\[IPAMV\]\)](#) pp72

## Diffusion filter

- smoothing is formulated as a diffusive process
- smoothing is performed at intra regions
- and suppressed at region boundaries

the iteration is given by:

$$I_t = \text{div}(D(|\nabla I|)\nabla u)$$

where  $I_t$  is the time derivative of  $I$ , the image,  $D$  is a diffusion function and  $\nabla$  denotes the gradient.

Diffusion function can be defined such as:

$$D(\nabla I) = e^{-(\nabla I/k)^2}$$

or

$$D(\nabla I) = \frac{1}{1 + (\frac{\nabla I}{k})^2}$$

Solution is found using an iterative approach on the discretized image grid (e.g. for 3D volume):

$$I_{x,y,z}^{t+1} = I_{x,y,z}^t + \lambda \sum_{R=1}^6 [D(\nabla_R I) \nabla_R I]$$

and the gradient evaluated via finite differences:

$$\nabla_1 I_{x,y,z} = I_{x-1,y,z} - I_{x,y,z}, \nabla_2 I_{x,y,z} = I_{x+1,y,z} - I_{x,y,z}, \nabla_3 I_{x,y,z} = I_{x,y-1,z} - I_{x,y,z}, \nabla_4 I_{x,y,z} = I_{x,y+1,z} - I_{x,y,z}, \nabla_5 I_{x,y,z} = I_{x,y,z-1} - I_{x,y,z}, \nabla_6 I_{x,y,z} = I_{x,y,z+1} - I_{x,y,z}$$

The following figure illustrates the application of the diffusion function:

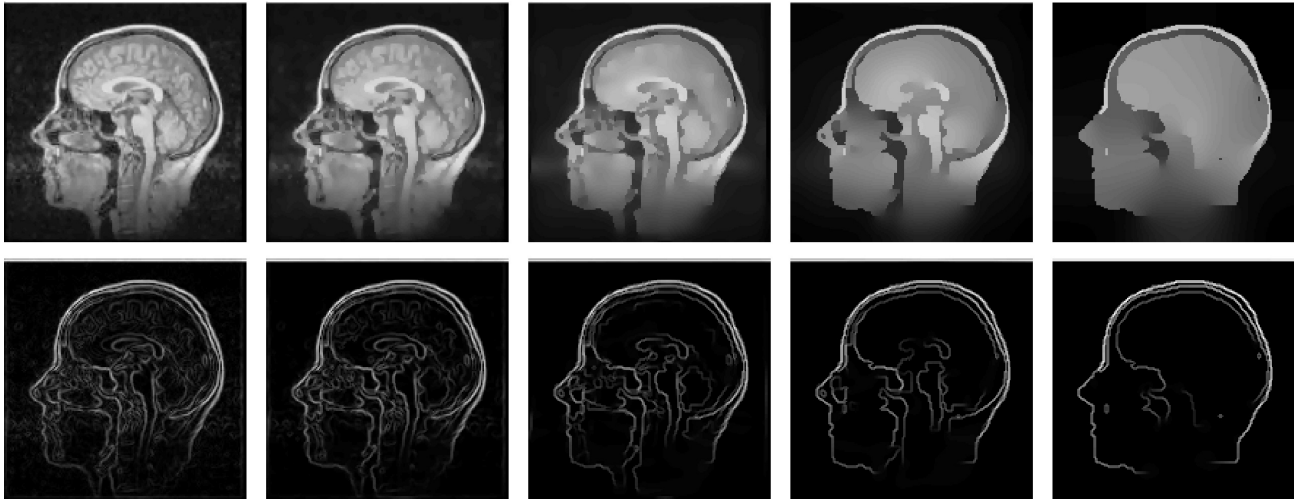
$$D(\nabla I) = e^{-(\nabla I/k)^2}$$

after a few iterations, the noise is removed while the heavy borders are conserved.

In [19]:

```
Image('http://www.cs.utah.edu/~jfishbau/advimproc/project2/images/image_k_7.659825.png')
```

Out[19]:



[image source \(http://www.cs.utah.edu/~jfishbau/advimproc/project2/\)](http://www.cs.utah.edu/~jfishbau/advimproc/project2/)

Question:

- what is the equivalent iteration for a 2D image?

see also:

- Ovidiu Ghita, Kevin Robinson, Michael Lynch, Paul F. Whelan . MRI diffusion-based filtering: a note on performance characterisation. Computerized Medical Imaging and Graphics 29 (2005) 267-277
- diffusion based edge detection [IVP \(../00-Preface/06-References.ipynb#\[IVP\]\)](#) p433, [HCVA \(../00-Preface/06-References.ipynb#\[HCVA\]\)](#) vol2 p425
- Pietro Perona and Jitendra Malik (July 1990). "Scale-space and edge detection using anisotropic diffusion". IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, 12 (7): 629-639

## Non-local image denoising

- filtered image is a weighted mean of pixels belonging to the "neighbourhood"
- similarity between pixel i and j is function of there local gray level distribution, the pixels with a similar grey level neighbourhood have larger weights in the average

$$f_{new}(p) = \frac{1}{W(p)} \sum_{q \in N(p)} w(p, q) f(q)$$

with

$$W(p) = \sum_{q \in N(p)} w(p, q)$$

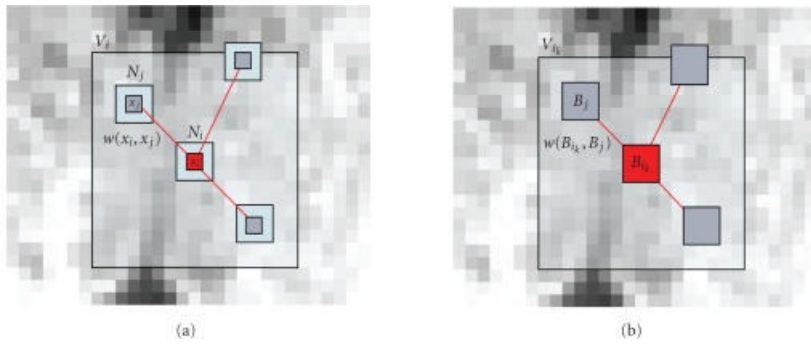
- generalized distance defined as the weighted Euclidian distance between two i,j surrounding pixels



In [20]:

```
Image('http://openi.nlm.nih.gov/imgs/512/290/2292807/2292807_IJBI2008-590183.001.png')
```

Out[20]:

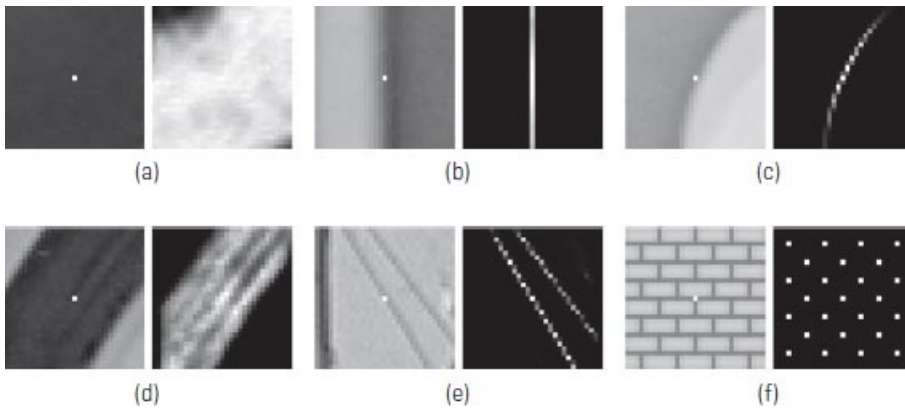


[image source \(http://openi.nlm.nih.gov/imgs/512/290/2292807/2292807\\_IJBI2008-590183.001.png\)](http://openi.nlm.nih.gov/imgs/512/290/2292807/2292807_IJBI2008-590183.001.png)

In [21]:

```
#Image('http://deliveryimages.acm.org/10.1145/1950000/1941513/figs/f4.jpg')  
Image('http://deliveryimages.acm.org/10.1145/1950000/1941513/figs/f4.jpg', embed=False)
```

Out[21]:



[image source \(http://deliveryimages.acm.org/10.1145/1950000/1941513/figs/f4.jpg\)](http://deliveryimages.acm.org/10.1145/1950000/1941513/figs/f4.jpg)

see also:

- A non-local algorithm for image denoising [Buades05 \(../00-Preface/06-References.ipynb#\[Buades05\]\)](#)