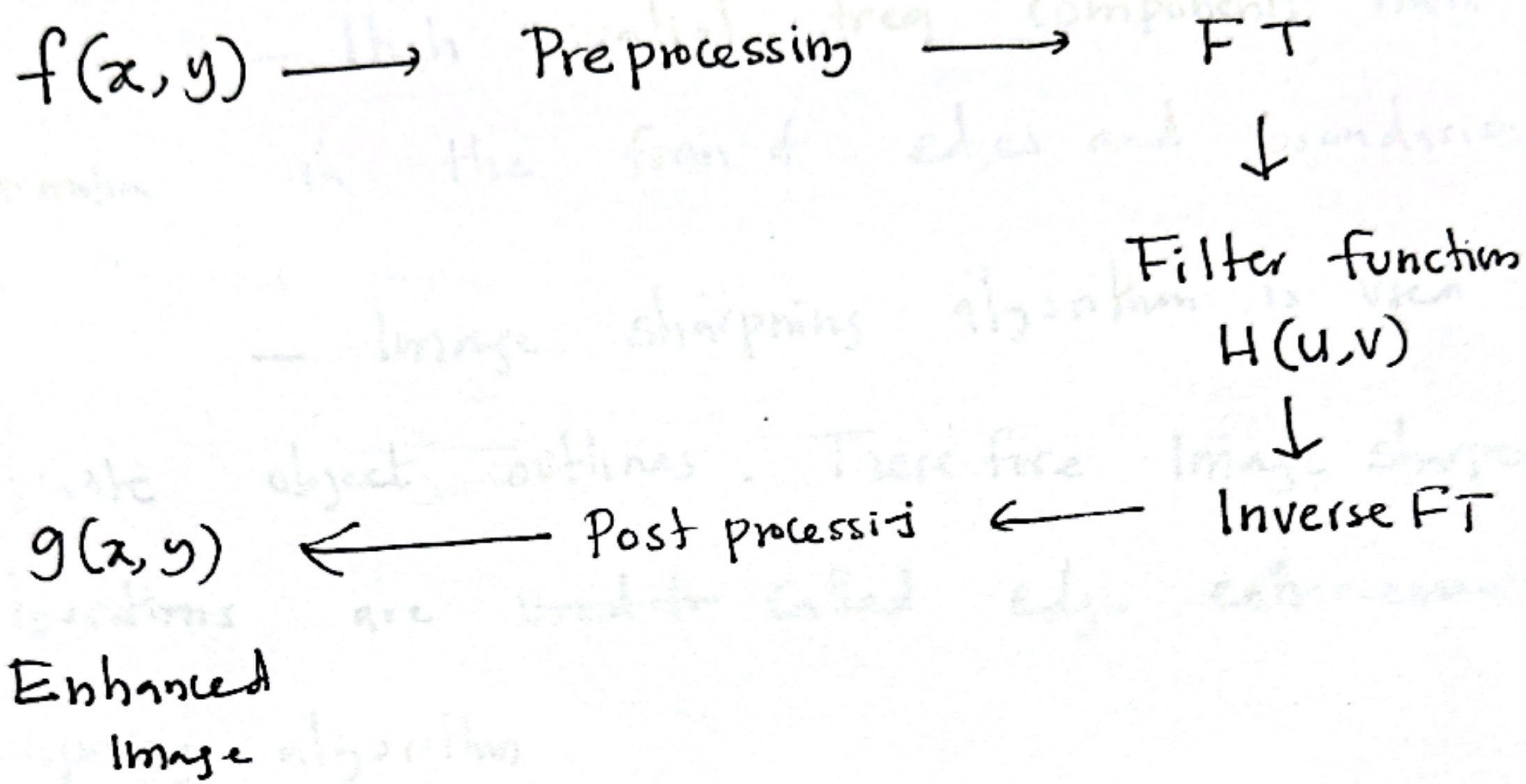


Steps for filtering in Frequency domain



Steps

- 1 Image $f(x, y)$ of Size $M \times N$
- 2 $f(x, y) \rightarrow (-1)^{x+y}$
- 3 $F(u, v) \rightarrow \text{FT of } f(x, y)$
- 4 $H(u, v) \rightarrow \text{Filter in freq domain}$
- 5 $g(x, y) = \text{IFT}[G(u, v)] (-1)^{x+y}$

Sharpening Spatial Filter

- It highlights the details of the image
- High spatial freq components have detailed information in the form of edges and boundaries
- Image sharpening algorithm is used to separate object outlines. Therefore Image sharpening algorithms are called edge enhancement / crispening algorithm

Blurring vs Sharpening

Blurring → It is done in spatial domain by pixel averaging in a neighbourhood, it is a process of integration.

Sharpening → It is an inverse process to find the difference by the neighborhood done by spatial differentiation.

Derivative Operator:

It calculates the gradient of the image intensity at each point, giving direction of the largest possible increase from light to dark and the rate of change in that direction

Image differentiation

- enhances edge and other discontinuities (noise)
- deemphasizes area with slowly varying gray level values

1st order derivatives

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = f(x+1) - f(x)$$

2nd order derivatives

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

1D Image

1st and 2nd derivatives of a 2D Images

Gradient operator $\nabla f = \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y}$
(linear operator)

Laplacian operator $\tilde{\nabla}^2 f = \frac{\partial^2 f(x,y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f(x,y)}{\partial y^2}$
(non-linear)

Gradient Filter

Edges can be extracted by taking gradient of the images. If neighbouring pixels have same intensity, difference is zero, and hence there is no edge. Edges exist when there is a significant local intensity variation.

For function $f(x,y)$,

$$\nabla f \equiv \text{grad}(f) = \begin{bmatrix} g_x \\ g_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix}$$

The magnitude of vector ∇f , denoted by $M(x,y)$, is given by

$$M(x,y) = \text{mag}(\nabla f) = \sqrt{g_x^2 + g_y^2}$$

- Gradient Magnitude provides information about edges & strength
- Gradient direction provider is perpendicular to the direction of the edge. It is useful detecting sudden change in image intensities.

Laplacian Filter

It is a derivative operator which highlights grey-level discontinuities in an image. It deemphasizes regions with slowly varying grey level. It emphasizes regions with slowly varying gray level.

It tends to produce image that have

- grayish edge lines and other discontinuities all superimposed on a dark
- featureless background



High boost filter.

The 2nd order isotropic derivatives operator is the Laplacian for $f(x, y)$

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

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

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

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

High Boost Filter

- It is used to prevent the loss of low frequency components and restore the visual detail in an image - This is done by adding an offset to the filtered image by retaining some low frequency components.

- A high pass filtered image can be computed as the difference b/w the original and a low pass filtered version of image

→ amplification factor

$$\text{High boost} = A \cdot \text{Original} - \text{Lowpass}$$

$$= (A-1) \text{ Original} + \text{Original}$$

- Lowpass

$$= (A-1) \text{ original} + \text{highpass}$$

$$f_s(x, y) = \begin{cases} f(x, y) - \nabla^2 f(x, y) \\ f(x, y) + \nabla^2 f(x, y) \end{cases}$$

$$h_{hb}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \Delta f(x, y) - \nabla^2 f(x, y) \\ \Delta f(x, y) + \nabla^2 f(x, y) \end{cases}$$

High boost Mask

$A > 1$

If $A = 1$ it becomes

standard laplacian sharpening

Any $N \times N$ high boost
mask can be created using
the value of $A = (N \times N) - 1$

Unsharp Masking

- It is hybrid filter technique
- It is useful for removing both
Impulse and Gaussian noise present
in an image
- It is simple sharpening operator.
which enhances edge

$$f_s(x, y) = f(x, y) - \bar{f}(x, y)$$

Procedure

Read the image

Blur the original image

Subtract the original image

or Add the mask to the original image

$$g_{\text{mask}}(x, y) = f(x, y) - \bar{f}(x, y)$$

$$g(x, y) = f(x, y) + k * g_{\text{mask}}(x, y)$$

$$k > 0$$

When $k > 1$, the process is called

high boost filtering