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→ Image segmentation

Done using two approaches :-

- (i). Discontinuity Based Approach
- (ii) Similarity Based Approach.

- ① Sub-Division is carried out based on abrupt changes in gray level of image.
- ② We try to group pixels which are similar in some sense.

① Discontinuity Based:

- Point Detection
- Edge detection
- Line detection

② Similarity Based:

- Threshold operation
- Region Growing
- Region Splitting / Merging

→ Region Growing :- We start from a pixel & then we group all other pixels connected to this pixel which are adjacent and similar in intensity values.

→ Region Splitting & Merging :- In this, we split the image into number of different components & then merge the similar components.

Point Detection

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

Mask.

If $|R| > T$ Apply Mask on pt. (x, y) say it is $R(x, y)$ If $|R| > T$ (Threshold, then (x, y) is considered as a pt.# Line DetectionHorizontalRotate 45°Vertical

-1	-1	-1
2	2	2
-1	-1	-1

(mask)

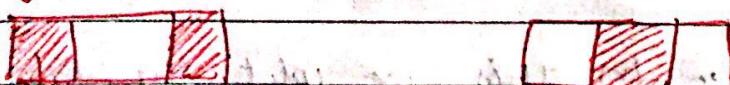
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-1	2	-1
2	-1	-1

-1	2	-1
-1	2	-1
-1	2	-1

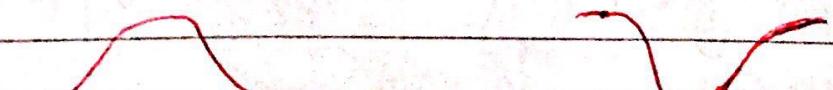
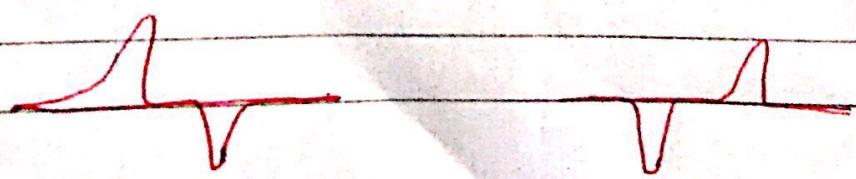
Rotate -45°

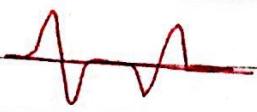
2	-1	-1
-1	2	-1
-1	-1	2

We apply all four masks on an image. For two different masks i & j , where $i \neq j$ if $R_i > R_j$, then this means the corresponding pt is more likely to lie in the direction of mask i , rather than j .

Edge Detection

dark(0)

1st Derivative



2nd Derivative

We use 1st derivative for edge detection :- 2nd derivative is very sensitive.

We use gradient operator :-

$$\vec{\nabla}f = \begin{bmatrix} Gx \\ Gy \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \partial f / \partial x \\ \partial f / \partial y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$mag(\vec{\nabla}f) = \sqrt{Gx^2 + Gy^2}$$

$$\approx |Gx| + |Gy|$$

The magnitude tells the strength of edge at (x,y).

→ Direction of edge:-

$$\theta(x,y) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{Gy}{Gx}\right)$$

Prewitt Edge Operator

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ +1 & +1 & +1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Horizontal
(Gx)

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & +1 \\ -1 & 0 & +1 \\ -1 & 0 & +1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Vertical
(Gy)

Sobel Edge Operator

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Effect due to spurious noise is taken care to some extent

Using the sobel edge operators

Edge Linking :-

- ① Local Processing (neighbor only)
- ② Global Processing.

In edge linking, all points that are similar in nature are linked. This forms a boundary of pixel that are similar.

Similarity of pixel is based on

- ① strength of response and
- ② direction of Gradient.

Pixels (x, y) & (x', y') are similar if :-

Local Processing

$$|\nabla f(x, y) - \nabla f(x', y')| \leq T_c,$$

where T_c is some threshold value.

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$$|\alpha(x, y) - \alpha(x', y')| < A.$$

$$(x, y) \in N(x', y')$$

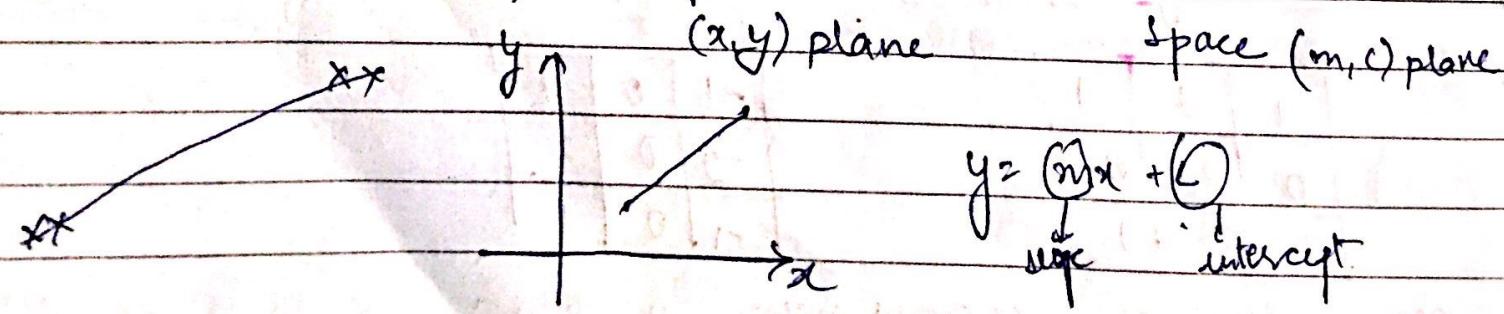
A = angle.

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Edge Linking

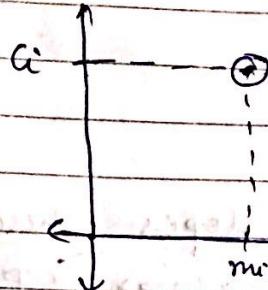
Global Processing (Hough Transform)

Transformation from Spatial Domain \rightarrow Parameter

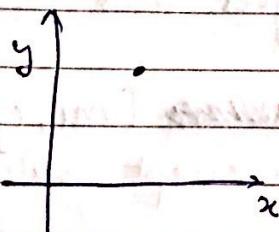


$m_i \quad c_i$

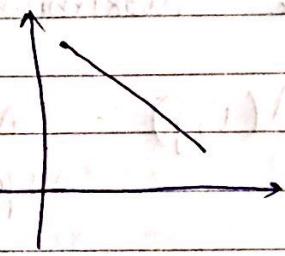
$$y = m_i x + c_i$$



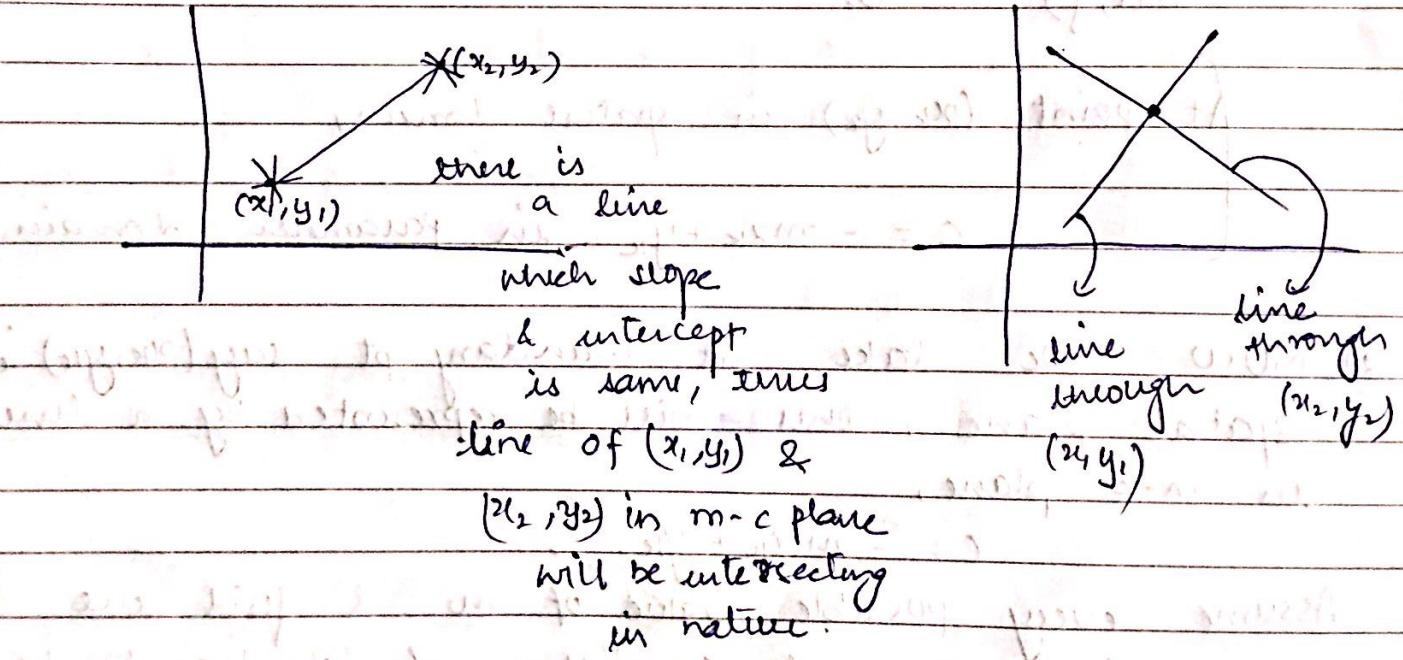
$$c = -(m_i x + y)$$



a dot in
x-y plane
will be
represented as

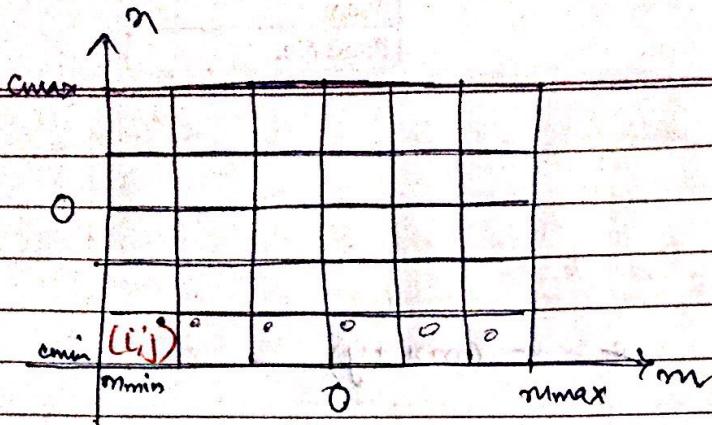


Line in m-c plane.



Q How to compute Hough Transform?

∴ M-c plane is subdivided into no. of accumulator cells.



Range of slope is expected range of slopes where m_{min} represents minimum slope value and m_{max} represents the maximum slope value same goes with c .

$A(i,j)$:- Accumulated cell ~~(m_i, c_j)~~ where slope value is m_i & intercept value is c_j .

① Initialise all cells with value 0.

$$A(i,j) \leftarrow 0.$$

At point (x_k, y_k) in spatial domain,

$$c = -mx_k + y_k \text{ in parameter domain.}$$

② Now we take at boundary pt say (x_k, y_k) in spatial plane, this will be represented by a line in $m-c$ plane,

$$c = -mx_k + y_k.$$

Assume every possible value of m & find one corresponding value of c . Value of ' c ' has to be rounded off to the nearest allowed value of ' c '. Suppose $m_p \Rightarrow c_q$ (m_p gives value q), then corresponding accumulator cell value is incremented by 1.

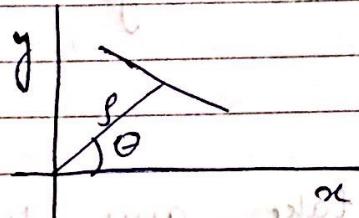
$$A(p_1, q) \leftarrow A(p_1, q) + 1.$$

This has to be done for all boundary points. At the end, $A[i,j]$ contains value ' q '. This indicates that no of points lie on straight line $y = mx + c$

so, by taking an appropriate threshold we can link the edges.

Problem comes when the line is vertical i.e. $m = \infty$
To solve this problem, we use 'normal representation' of straight line instead of "m-c plane".

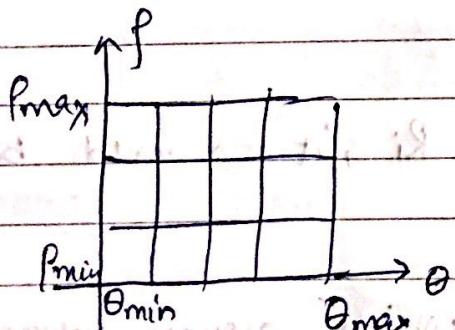
$$f = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$$



f :- length of L dropped on line from origin

θ :- angle made by L with x -axis.

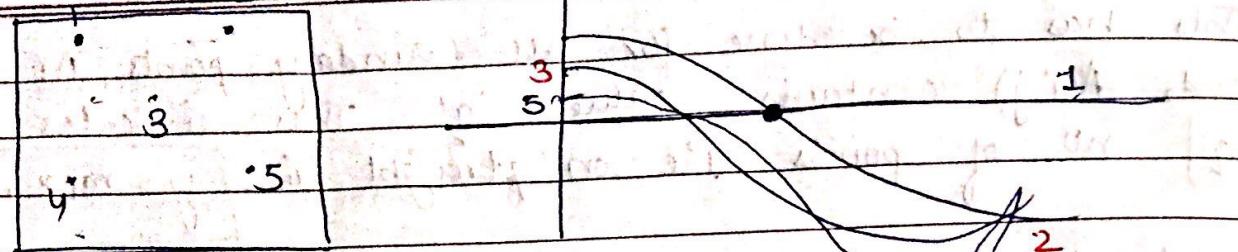
so, now the accumulator cell will be :-



so, the maximum value of θ can be $\pm 90^\circ$. maximum value of range of ' f ' is $\sqrt{M^2 + N^2}$.

where $M \times N$ is the image size.

A particular point in xy -plane is represented as sinusoidal wave in $f-\theta$ plane. So, ' q ' no of collinear points will be mapped to ' q ' no of sinusoidal curves in $f-\theta$ plane intersecting at a point.



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Region Growing Technique

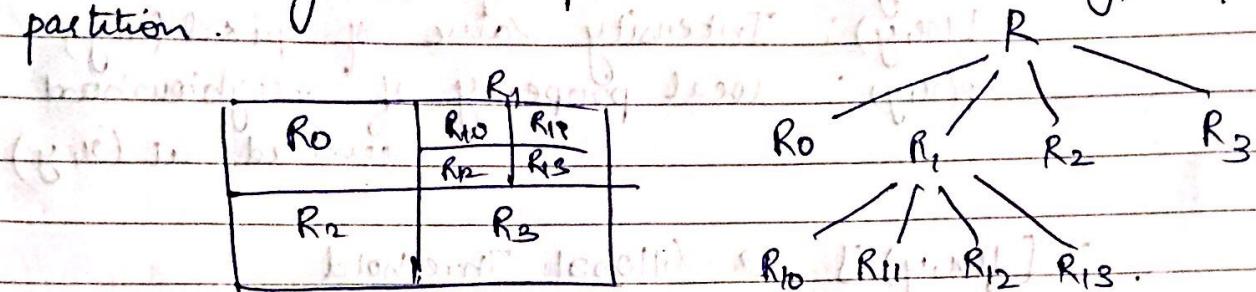
All the pixels belonging to an image form a set R . It partitions R into no. of subregions like R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n . This partitioning should follow some properties:

- ① If we take union of R_i , $\bigcup_{i=1}^n R_i$ (is it), then it should give the original image.
$$\bigcup R_i = R$$
- ② R_i is connected. If we take any two points in region R_i , then we should be able to identify a path b/w these two points.
- ③ $R_i \cap R_j = \emptyset$ for $i \neq j$.
- ④ If we define predicate 'P' over R_i , it should be true.

Region Growing is a procedure which groups subregion into larger area depending on some criteria. It tries to grow a region starting from a 'seed' point. Two points are similar if intensity is same. Points should be connected.

⇒ Region Splitting & Merging

If we have an image say 'R', first try to find if the intensity values are similar or not. If not, then break the image into partition check this again for each partition.



Stop if no more partition can be done, Select adjacent partition and check if they are similar, then merge them.

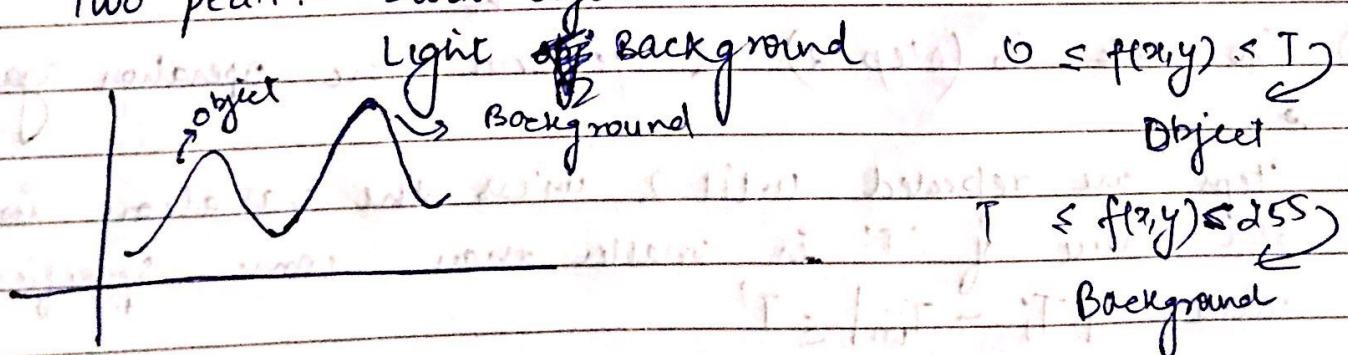
⇒ Thresholding

Thresholding

Global Dynamic Local Optimal
for Adaptive

Bi-modal Histogram.

Two peak:- Dark object



Thresholding function can be defined as:-

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

(x,y) : location of pixel

$f(x,y)$: Intensity value of pixel (x,y)

$p(x,y)$: local property of neighbourhood centered at (x,y)

$T[f(x,y)] \rightarrow$ Global Threshold

$T[f(x,y), p(x,y)] \rightarrow$ Local Threshold

~~$f(x,y) T[(x,y), f(x,y), p(x,y)] \rightarrow$ Adaptive~~

~~threshold~~

Automatic Detection of Threshold Value

- ① choose initial value of threshold, using this value segment the image.
- ② Two groups of pixels will formed, say, G_1 & G_2
- ③ Compute mean ' \bar{u}_1 ' for group ' G_1 ' & ' \bar{u}_2 ' for group ' G_2 '
- ④ Choose new threshold ' $T = \frac{\bar{u}_1 + \bar{u}_2}{2}$ '
- ⑤ Go back to (step-2) & perform the operation again.
- ⑥ Steps are repeated until 2 unless the variation in the value of ' T ' is smaller than some specified value, $|T_i - T_{i-1}| \leq T'$

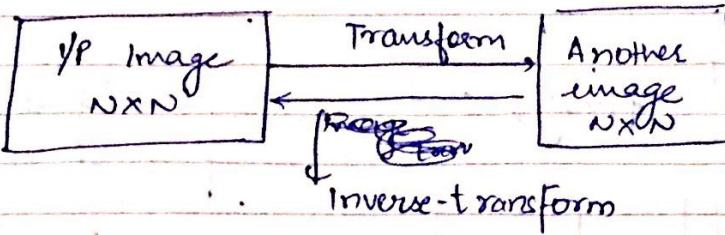
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Image Enhancement

→ can be done in spatial & frequency Domain.



$A^{-1} = A^{*T}$
conjugate transpose

→ Orthogonal

→ Orthonormal

Fourier Transformation

$v = A \cdot u \rightarrow$ IP vector
 Transformed vector unitary Matrix

$$u = A^T v = A^{*T} u$$

$$u(k, l) = \sum_{m,n=0}^{N-1} a_{k,l}(m, n) u(m, n)$$

matrix of $N \times N$

each element is matrix of size $N \times N$

Fourier transform formula.

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(x)\} = F(u) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-j2\pi u x} dx$$

$$F(u, v) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) e^{-j2\pi u x - j2\pi v y} dx dy$$

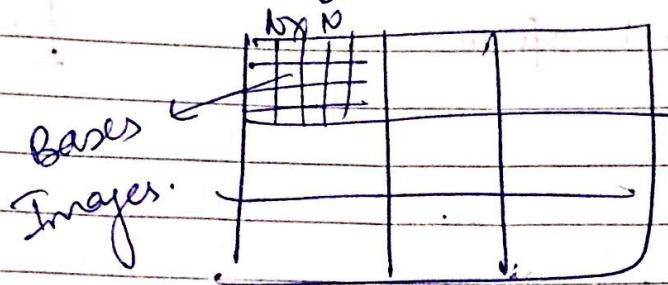
2-D Discrete Fourier transform

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

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

$$F(u,v) = \frac{1}{MN} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} f(x,y) e^{-j}$$

$\begin{cases} \text{low filter} & \\ \text{high filter} & \end{cases}$



- ① Multiply the IP image by $(-1)^{x+y}$ to centre the transform.
- ② Compute D.F.T. ($f(u,v)$) of the image from ①.
- ③ multiply $f(u,v)$ via filter function $h(u,v)$.
- ④ Compute (the) inverse DFT of the resulting
- ⑤ Obtain the real part of result in ④.
- ⑥ Multiply the result by $(-1)^{x+y}$.