Hole Filling Answers / Tal Hazi

1. If there are m boundary pixels and n pixels inside the hole, what's the complexity of the algorithm that fills the hole, assuming that the hole and boundary were already found? Try to also express the complexity only in terms of n.

For each hole pixel, calculating its color according to m boundary pixels. So the complexity for the algorithm is $O(m \cdot n)$.

The number of boundary pixels is bounded above, in the worst case, where the hole is a diagonal line and in case of 8-connectivity, by 4n + 4 = O(n).

 \rightarrow Then in terms of n, the complexity is $O(n^2)$.

2. Describe an algorithm that approximates the result in O(n) to a high degree of accuracy. As a bonus, implement the suggested algorithm in your library in addition to the algorithm described above.

The algorithm is based on not using all the boundary pixels per hole pixel. To calculate I(u), where $u \in H$, I use the same formula suggested in the task, but ignore all the $v \in B$ in which $||u-v|| \ge k$, where k is the minimum distance from, which the effect of the Euclidean distance between the pixels on the pixel hole color is negligible (I assumed that there is such a const k). Of course, the larger the k - the better the accuracy.

So there is O(k) boundary pixels for each hole pixel and k is our constant of accuracy, then the complexity is $O(k \cdot n) = O(n)$.

The function implementing this is called

AlgoFormula.calcColorConstComplex(). (Should update the calc function of *HoleFiller.fillHole()* as well).

3. Bonus (hard!): Describe and implement an algorithm that finds the exact solution in O(nlogn). In this section, feel free to use any algorithmic functionality provided by external libraries as needed.

My direction is in the first iteration, calculate the color of only the hole pixels adjacent to the boundary pixels. Next, do the same action, but refer to the boundary pixels as the hole pixels we calculated in the previous iteration, and so on, continue until the number of hole pixels left for the calculation is constant. This solution relies on the assumption that any calculation of color hole pixel achieves an accurate result.