

Homework 1 Questions

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- 2 questions.
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Submission

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Questions

Q1: We wish to set all pixels that have a brightness of 10 or less to 0, to remove sensor noise. However, our code is slow when run on a database with 1000 grayscale images.

Image: [grizzlypeakg.png](#)

```
1 A = imread( 'grizzlypeakg.png' );
2 [m1,n1] = size( A );
3 for i=1:m1
4     for j=1:n1
5         if A(i,j) <= 10
6             A(i,j) = 0;
7         end
8     end
9 end
```

Q1.1: How could we speed it up?

A1.1: Your answer here.

```
1 A = imread( 'grizzlypeakg.png' );
2 [m1,n1] = size( A );
3 for k = 1:1000
4     B = A<=10;
5     A(B) = 0;
6 end
```

Q1.2: What factor speedup would we receive over 1000 images? Please measure it.

Ignore file loading; assume all images are equal resolution; don't assume that the time taken for one image $\times 1000$ will equal 1000 image computations, as single short tasks on multitasking computers often take variable time.

A1.2: Your answer here.

The result change every time, so I conduct the same experiment for 3 times and calculate the average value of them. It took 19.603sec for provided code and 6.369sec for new method. It got 3.08 times faster. The time for generating random image is excluded.

Q1.3: How might a speeded-up version change for color images? Please measure it.

Image: [grizzlypeak.jpg](#)

A1.3: Your answer here. I used 100 random noise and the time for generating random image is excluded. It took 155.5590 sec for extended version of provided way.

```
1 for iter = 1:100
2     for i=1:l1
3         for j=1:m1
4             for k=n1
5                 if A(i,j,k) <= 10
6                     A(i,j,k) = 0;
7                 end
8             end
9         end
10    end
11 end
```

On the other hand, following method took 7.2290 sec.

```
1 for iter = 1:100
2     B = A<=10;
3     A(B) = 0;
4 end
```

Q2: We wish to reduce the brightness of an image but, when trying to visualize the result, all we see is white with some weird “corruption” of color patches.

Image: [gigi.jpg](#)

```
1 I = double( imread( 'gigi.jpg' ) );  
2 I = I - 20;  
3 imshow( I );
```

Q2.1: What is incorrect with this approach? How can it be fixed while maintaining the same amount of brightness reduction?

A2.1: Your answer here.

First, `imshow` took the normalized value for the image data, so it needs to use `im2double`. Which means that in order to handle the image with floating point, it requires normalization. Thus, you need to normalize the subtracting value when you decrease the brightness. Following is the right version of code.

```
1 I = im2double( imread( 'gigi.jpg' ) );  
2 I = I - 20/255;  
3 imshow( I );
```

Q2.2: Where did the original corruption come from? Which specific values in the original image did it represent?

A2.2: Your answer here.

The `imshow()` function in Matlab convert the negative value to 0, and convert the value greater than 1 to 1. In other words, if the original (normalized) value of one cell was (2, 1.5, -1) in RGB format, `imshow` represent this cell as (1,1,0) which is bright yellow.

When I decrease the brightness by subtracting 20 from the `I = double(imread('gigi.jpg'))`, there were 39282 elements in `I` which have smaller values than `I`. Every cell which contains a smaller value than 1 is represented in a different color from white. Therefore, these cells are the corruption.