

ECE 435 Medical Image Processing

Assignment 4

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Question 2: Test the algorithm on the image “angiogram.tif”. You will provide the following results:

1. The binarized image with the value of the threshold at convergence
2. The histogram of angiogram.tif image with the value of the threshold specified on it.
3. A table containing the value of the threshold at every iteration before reaching convergence.

Answer: The following results are obtained when tolerance is set to 10^{-8} . The initial estimate of the threshold is randomly selected from the element of the image.

The binarized image with threshold at convergence of **103.9122** and the histogram of “angiogram.tif” image with the threshold at convergence of **103.9122** shows in Figure 1. Table 1 shows the value of the threshold at every iteration before reaching convergence.

| Table 1 | |
|-----------|-----------------|
| Iteration | Threshold Value |
| 1 | 43 |
| 2 | 71.4590 |
| 3 | 82.2945 |
| 4 | 88.1546 |
| 5 | 92.6288 |
| 6 | 95.8906 |
| 7 | 97.8611 |
| 8 | 97.8611 |
| 9 | 99.3100 |
| 10 | 100.7898 |
| 11 | 101.6115 |
| 12 | 102.3741 |
| 13 | 103.1515 |
| 14 | 103.9122 |

Moreover, after invoking the function a few times, we obtain a different segmentation result since the initial estimate of the thresholds are different.

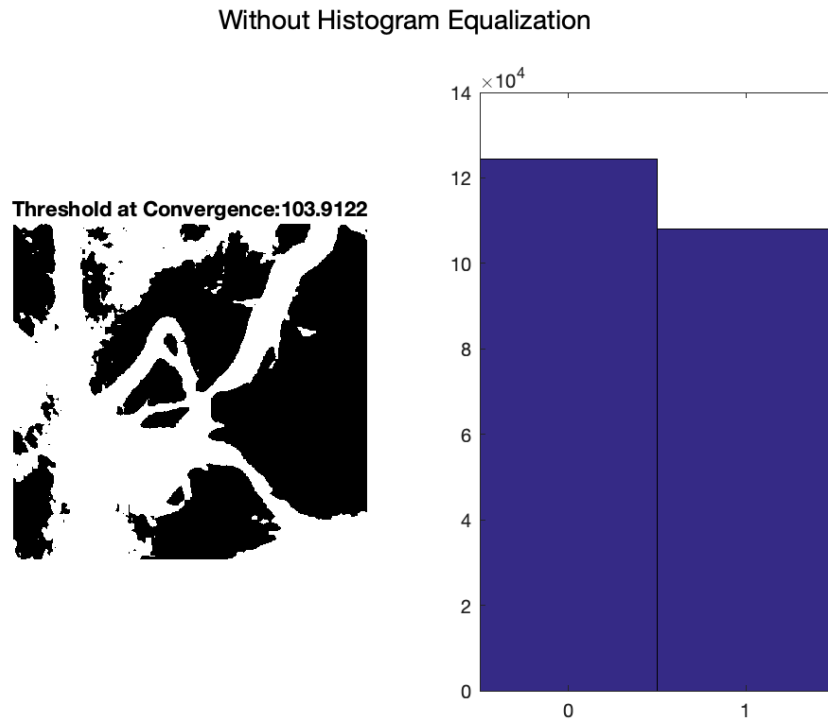


Figure 1: Binarized Image and Its Histogram when Threshold at Convergence of 103.9122

The binarized image with threshold at convergence of **137.5802** and the histogram of “angiogram.tif” image with the threshold at convergence of **137.5802** shows in Figure 2. Table 2 shows the value of the threshold at every iteration before reaching convergence.

| Table 2 | |
|-----------|-----------------|
| Iteration | Threshold Value |
| 1 | 168 |
| 2 | 137.5802 |

Question 3: Apply histogram equalization to angiogram.tif. You may choose to work with the Matlab **histeq** function. Next, apply the same thresholding algorithm to the equalized image. Compute the new threshold, and the new binarized images

The binarized image with threshold at convergence of **105.6698** and the histogram of “angiogram.tif” image with the threshold at convergence of **105.6698** shows in Figure 3. Table 3 shows the value of the threshold at every iteration before reaching convergence.

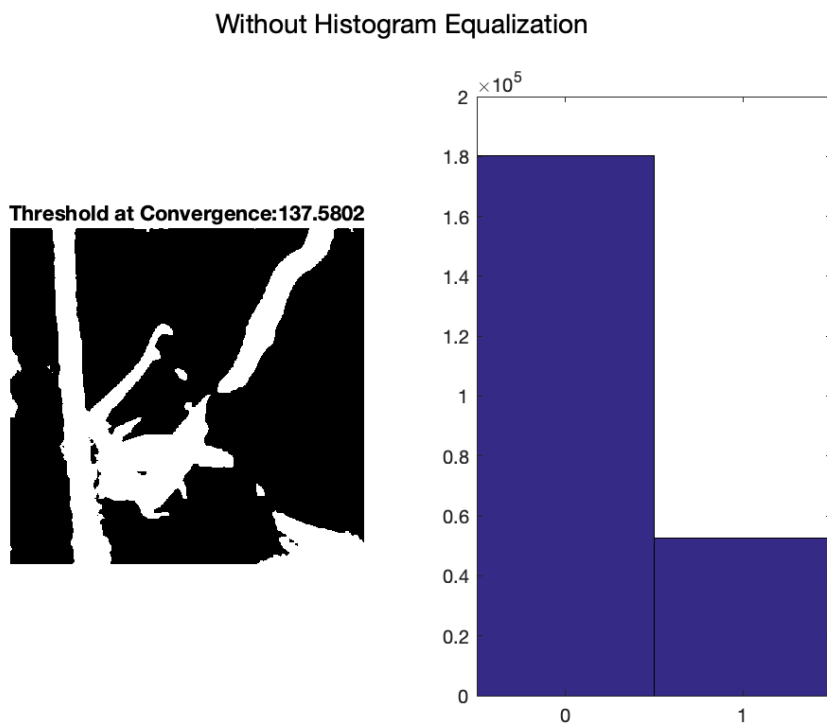


Figure 2: Binarized Image and Its Histogram when Threshold at Convergence of 137.5802

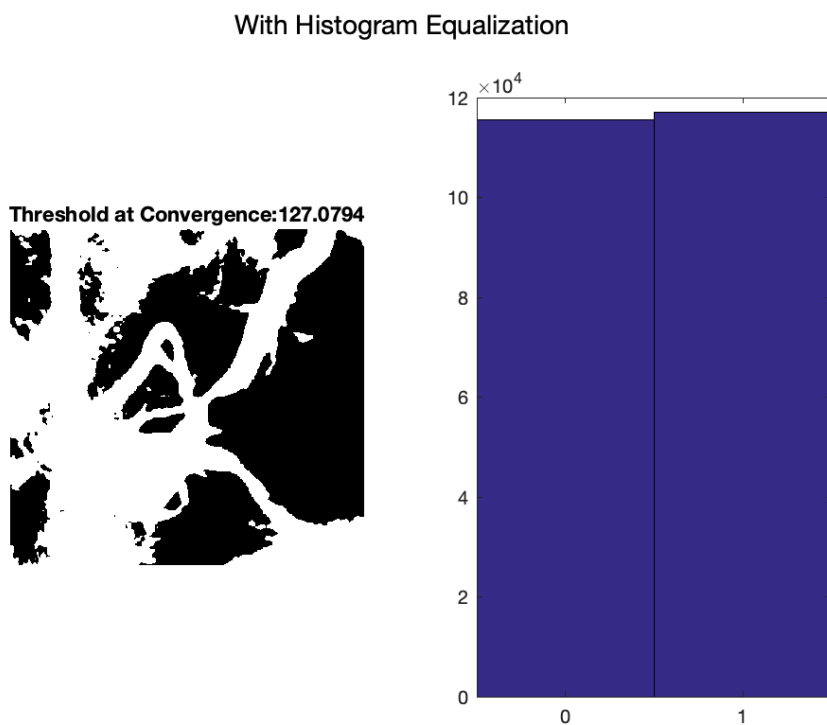


Figure 3: Binarized Image and Its Histogram when Threshold at Convergence of 105.6698

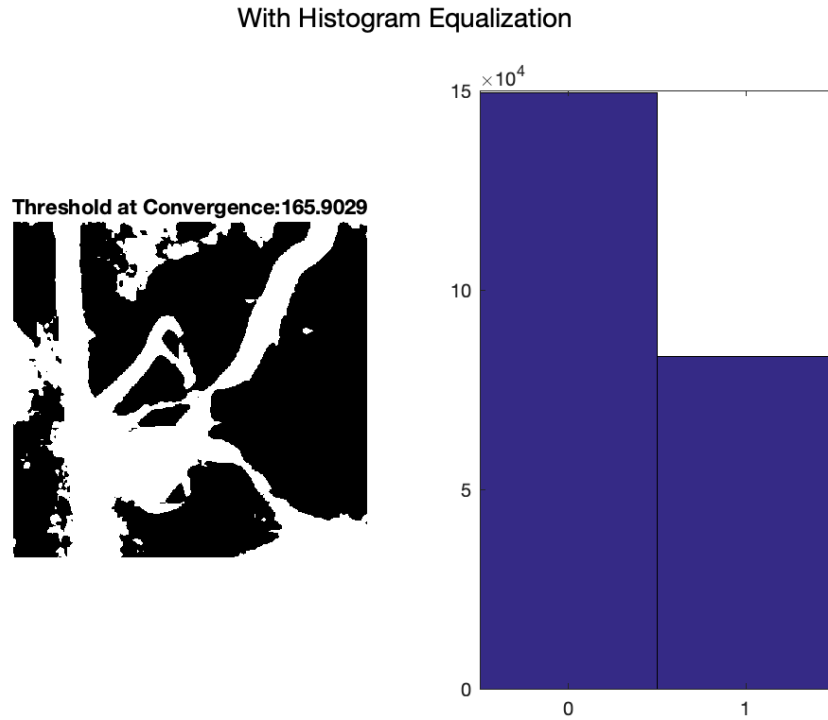


Figure 4: Binarized Image and Its Histogram when Threshold at Convergence of 172.2672

| Table 3 | |
|-----------|-----------------|
| Iteration | Threshold Value |
| 1 | 28 |
| 2 | 78.6122 |
| 3 | 102.8717 |
| 4 | 115.3512 |
| 5 | 121.2035 |
| 6 | 125.9473 |
| 7 | 127.0794 |

Moreover, after invoking the function a few times, we obtain a different segmentation result since the initial estimate of the thresholds are different.

The binarized image with threshold at convergence of **172.2672** and the histogram of “angiogram.tif” image with the threshold at convergence of **172.2672** shows in Figure 4. Table 4 shows the value of the threshold at every iteration before reaching convergence.

| Table 4 | |
|-----------|-----------------|
| Iteration | Threshold Value |
| 1 | 202 |
| 2 | 172.2672 |

Question 4: Compare and discuss the results obtained by optimal thresholding on the original image, and on the image pre-processed with histogram equalization.