

Project Notes

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What is Noise ?

Image noise is random (not present in the object imaged) variation of brightness or color information in images, and is usually an aspect of electronic noise.

Example :

3 Criteria's for (an area of uniform red in an image might have a very small black part.)

1. If this is a single pixel, it is likely (but not certain) to be spurious and noise;
2. if it covers a few pixels in an absolutely regular shape, it may be a defect in a group of pixels in the image-taking sensor (spurious and unwanted, but not strictly noise);
3. if it is irregular, it may be more likely to be a true feature of the image. But a definitive answer is not available.

Image Example :

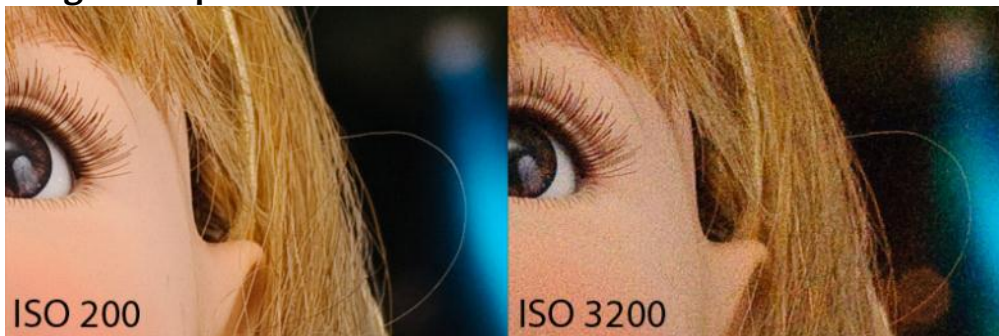


Fig : Noise (left one having less noise because of reducing ISO; right one having more noise because of increasing ISO)

Noise Reduction:

Linear Smoothing Filter:

Here value of each pixel is set equal to the average value of its 8 neighboring pixels. This type of filter for noise removal is called linear smoothing filter. Such a filter is very effective in terms of performance and speed. Thus, this filter was selected for implementation on actual hardware.

Algorithm:

<u>Idilate</u> is a variable to store noise reduced image <u>Igray</u> is a variable which stores a image in gray form	
Idilate = Igray;	// Equal Idilate with Igray (mostly for the boundary pixels as we do not process them)
for i = 1:rows for j = 2:cols-1 temp = max(Igray(i,j-1), Igray(i,j)); Idilate(i,j) = max(temp, Igray(i,j+1)); end end	// this for loop process every row in the image for noise reduction <div><div>133</div><div>0</div><div>255</div><div>133</div><div>133</div></div> <div><div>133</div><div>255</div><div>255</div><div>255</div><div>133</div></div> <p>Upper one is image before Noise reduction and Lower Image is After Noise Reduction</p>
I = Idilate;	Equal I to Idilate

Real Example:

Image with Noise :



Image after Noise Reduction :

