

Radiomics

A new application from established techniques

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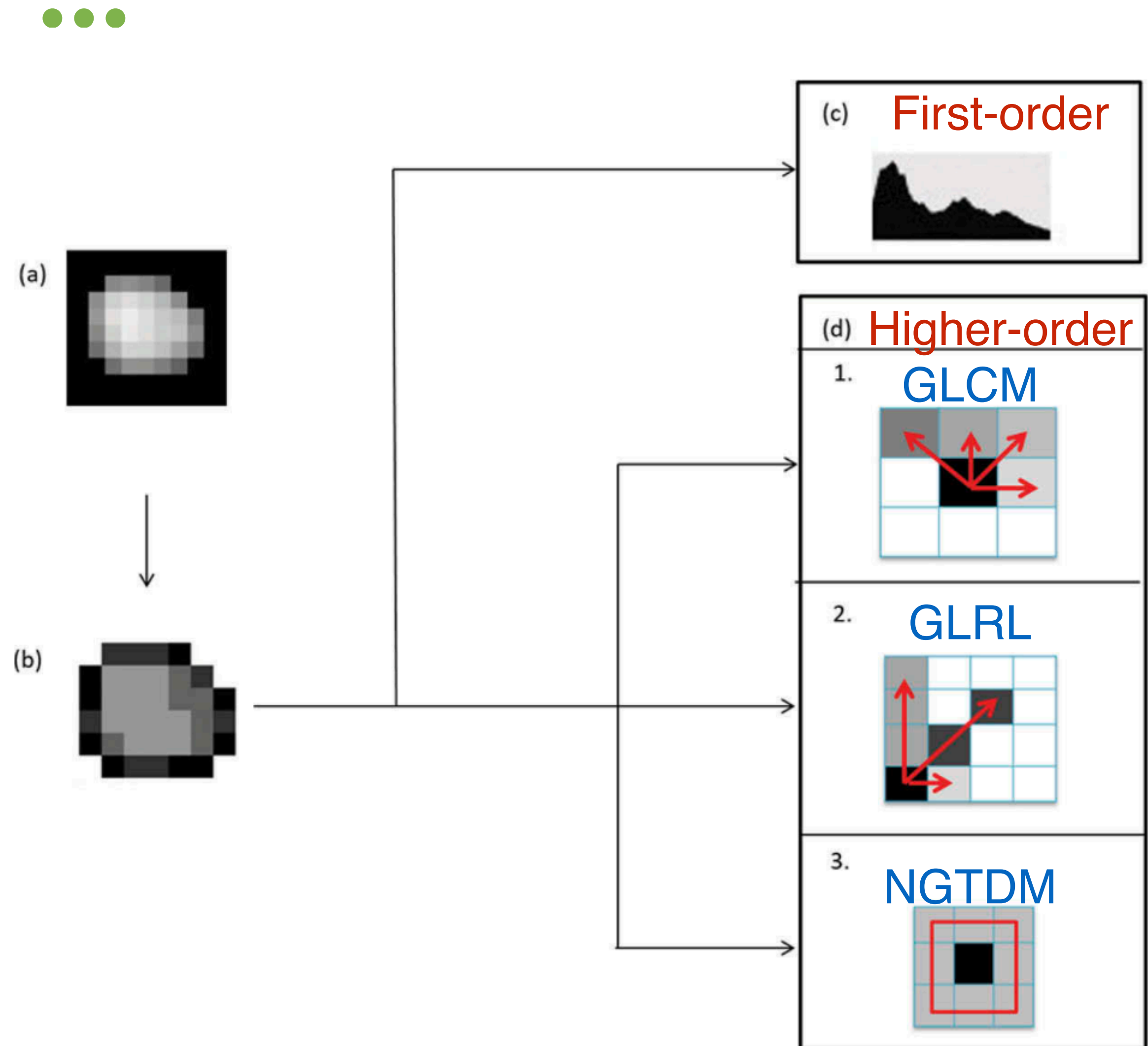
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Statistical Texture Features

- The spatial distribution
- Two levels of statistical methods: first and higher order methods



Statistical Texture Features



- First and higher order methods
- Moment Generating Function

$$M_X(t) := \mathbb{E}[e^{tX}], \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$m_n = E(X^n) = M_X^{(n)}(0) = \left. \frac{d^n M_X}{dt^n} \right|_{t=0}$$

- $n=1$, first order statistics : mean
- $n=2$, second order statistics : variance
- $n=3$, third order statistics : skewness
- $n=4$, first order statistics : kurtosis

First-order Texture Statistics



- First-order histogram that describes distribution of voxel intensities
- For example:

$$H(i) = \frac{\text{No. of pixels with gray levels in } \{I \in B_i\}}{\sum \text{No. pixels in the image}}$$



- Entropy measures the inherent randomness in the gray-level intensities of an image

$$\text{Entropy} = -K \sum_{i=1}^B H(i) \log H(i)$$

where K is a positive constant and is determined by the units of the application

$$\text{Entropy} = - \sum_{i=1}^B H(i) \log_2 H(i)$$

First-order Texture Statistics



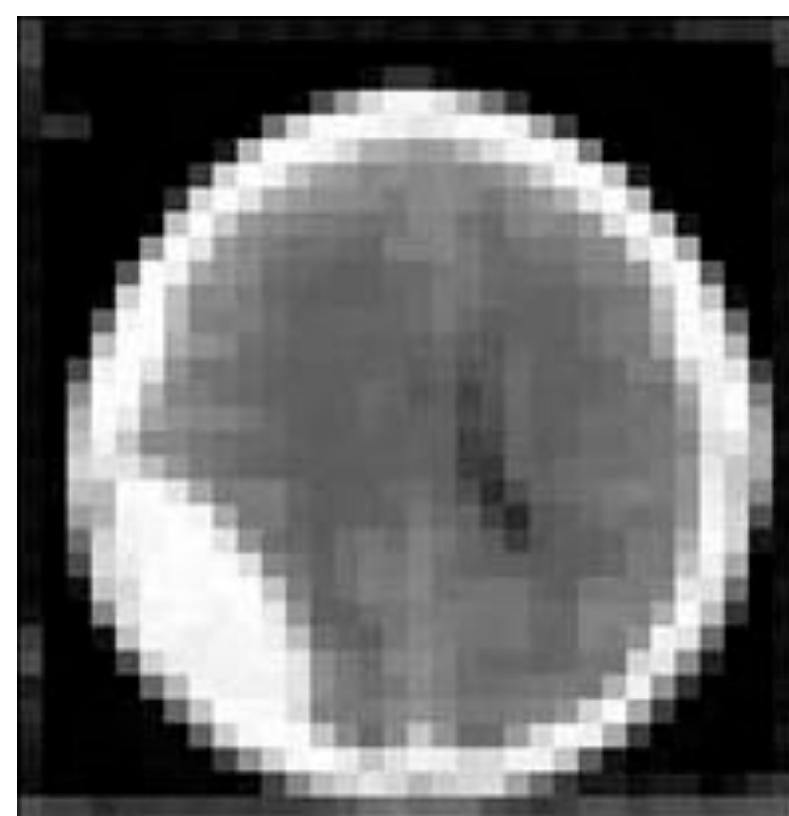
- Uniformity measures the uniformity of gray-level intensities within an image or region of interest (ROI)

$$\text{Uniformity} = \sum_{i=1}^B H(i)^2$$

Limitation of First-order Texture Statistics



- Limitation of directly comparing the results between studies
- Another approach which can potentially overcome this limitation leads to an issue of dependence of first-order statistic features on ROI size
- Feature normalization is required



32x32 CT



256x256 CT

Max entropy :

5

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Higher order Texture Statistics



- Information about the inter-voxel relationships within the image
- Three higher order texture statistics methods:
 - gray-level co-occurrence matrix (GLCM)
 - gray-level run length matrix (GLRL)
 - neighborhood gray-tone difference matrix (NGTDM)

Filtering Approaches



- Linear or non-linear transformation
- Spatial filtering techniques

Filtering Approaches



- Statistical filters: **average filter**, range filter, **entropy filter**, edge filters like Prewitt filter, **Sobel filter**, **Laplacian filter**, and **Laplacian of Gaussian (LoG) filter**
- Special kernels: fractal dimension filter

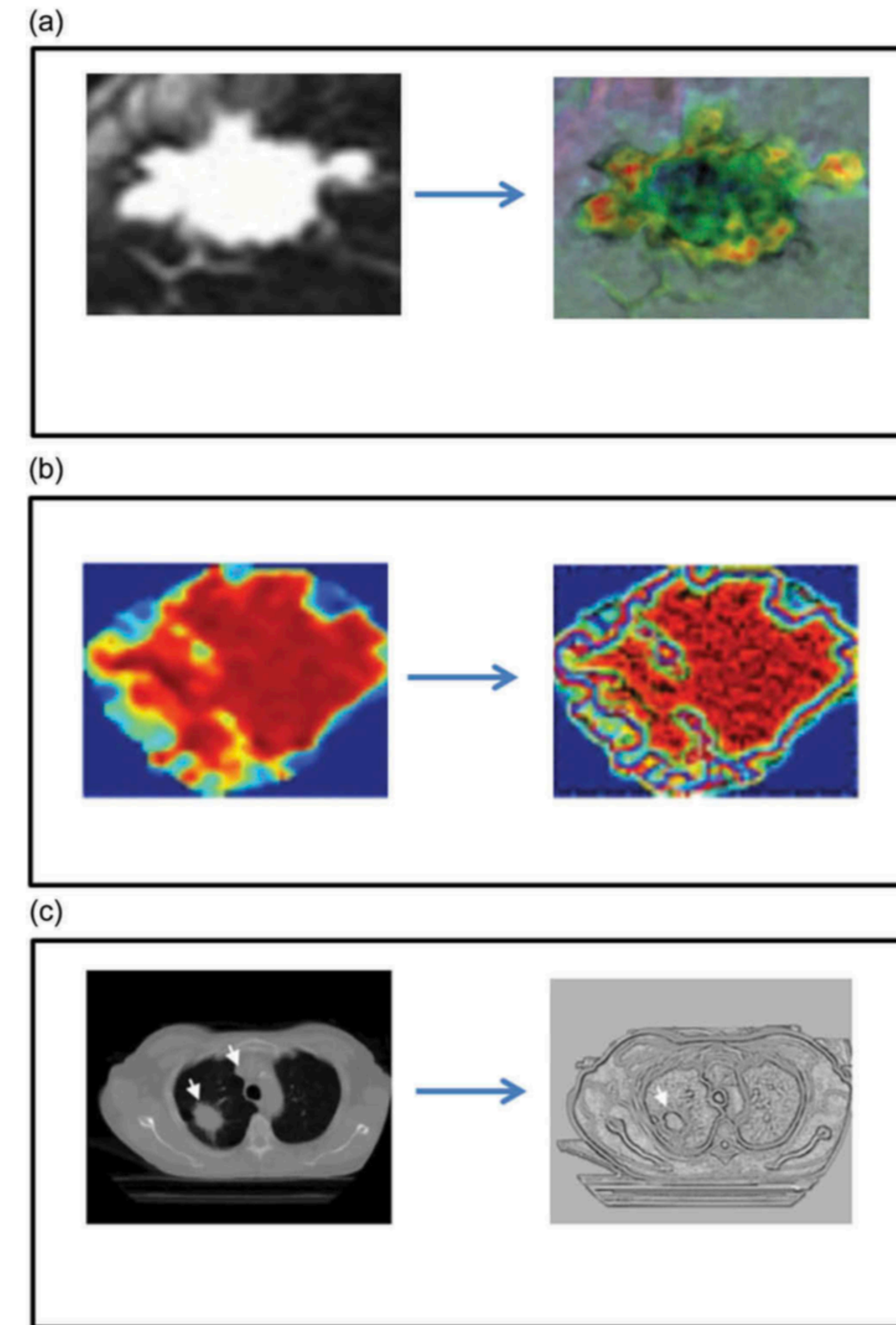
Filtering Approaches



Statistical Kernel
(median filter)

Edge Kernel
(Laplacian of Gaussian filter)

Special Kernel
(Fractal dimension filter)



Feature Selection



- Subset of features that can characterize the tissue of interest
- A large number of GLCM features are extracted is the challenge
- Reduction is needed in order to avoid overfitting
- The procedure can be either supervised or unsupervised



- Supervised learning :
 - final class label (e.g. benign or malignant)
 - filtering method:
Fisher's criterion, Wilcoxon rank-sum test, Student's t-test, etc.
 - wrapper method:
greedy forward selection and greedy backward elimination

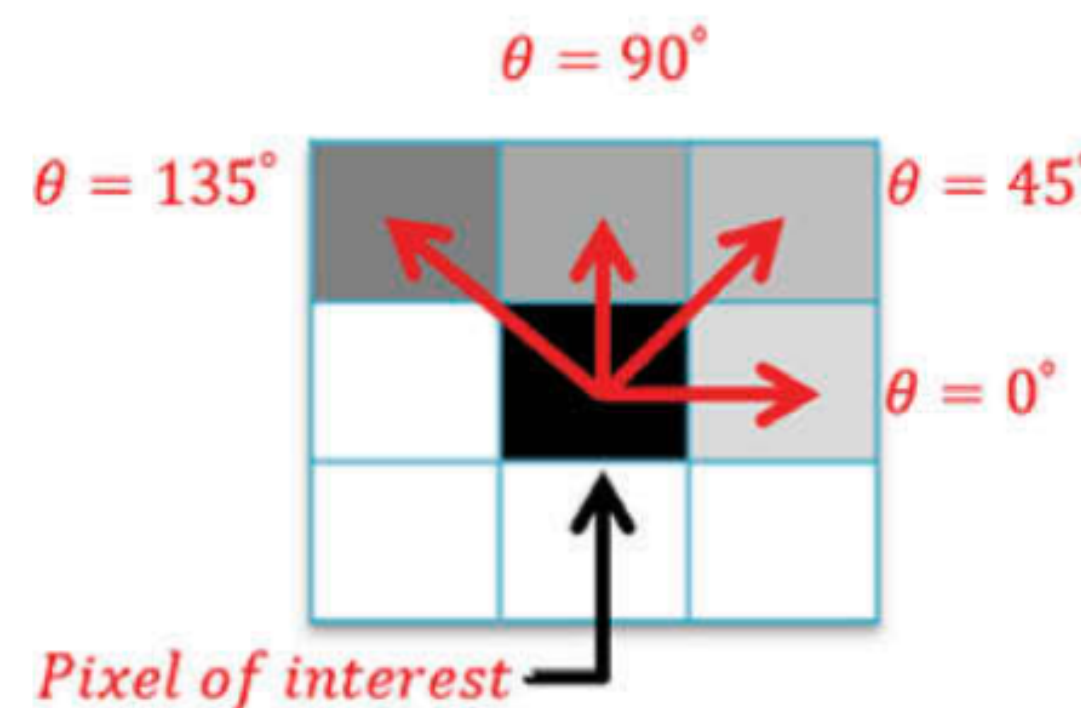


- Unsupervised learning :
 - linear dimension reduction:
principal component analysis (PCA), multidimensional scaling
 - nonlinear dimension reduction:
isometric mapping, locally linear embedding, and diffusion map

Gray-Level Co-occurrence Matrix (GLCM)



- GLCM shows the relationship between voxel pair and the frequency of each intensity pairs within an image or a region of interest.
- These have two parameters which are the distance (d) and the angle (θ)



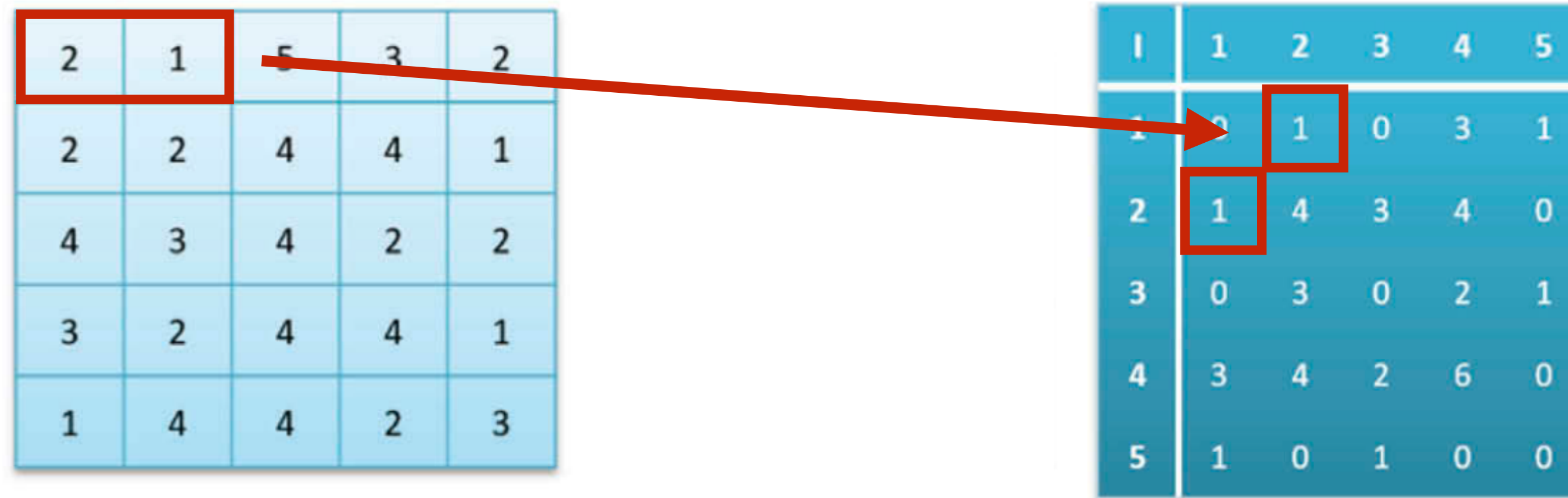
Gray-Level Co-occurrence Matrix (GLCM)

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- Example :

The symmetric GLCM

$$N_g = 5, d = 1, \theta = 0^\circ$$



Gray-Level Co-occurrence Matrix (GLCM)



- The most commonly used features :

$$ASM = \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} (G_{\text{norm}}(i,j))^2$$

$$\text{Entropy} = - \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} G_{\text{norm}}(i,j) \log_2(G_{\text{norm}}(i,j))$$

$$\text{Contrast} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} |i-j|^2 G_{\text{norm}}(i,j)$$

$$\text{Correlation} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} ij (G_{\text{norm}}(i,j) - \mu_x(i)\mu_y(j))}{\sigma_x(i)\sigma_y(j)}$$

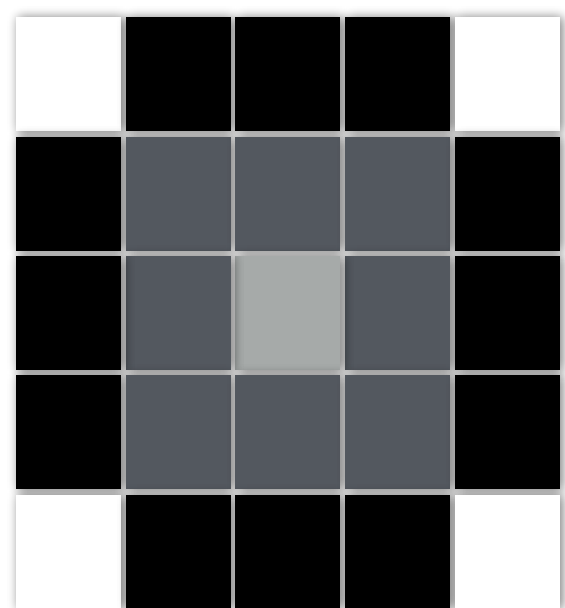
G_{norm} : Normalized GLCM

Gray-Level Co-occurrence Matrix (GLCM)



- Example :

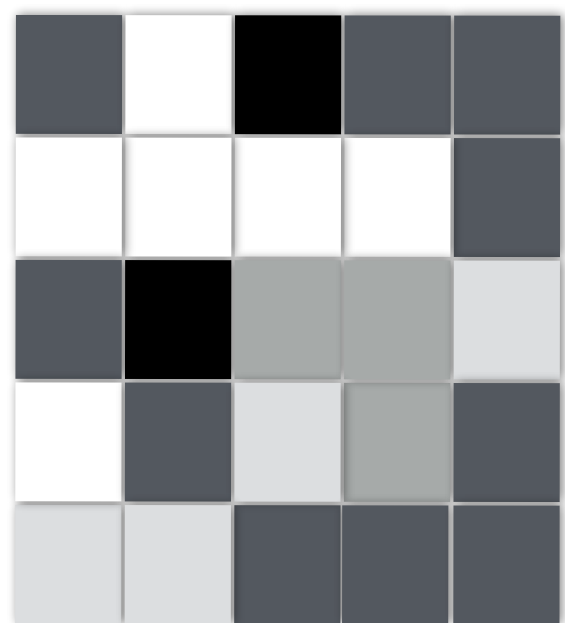
$$ASM = \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} (G_{\text{norm}}(i,j))^2$$



$A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

$ASM = 0.15$



$A_2 =$

4	1	5	4	4
1	1	1	1	4
4	5	3	3	2
1	4	2	3	4
2	2	4	4	4

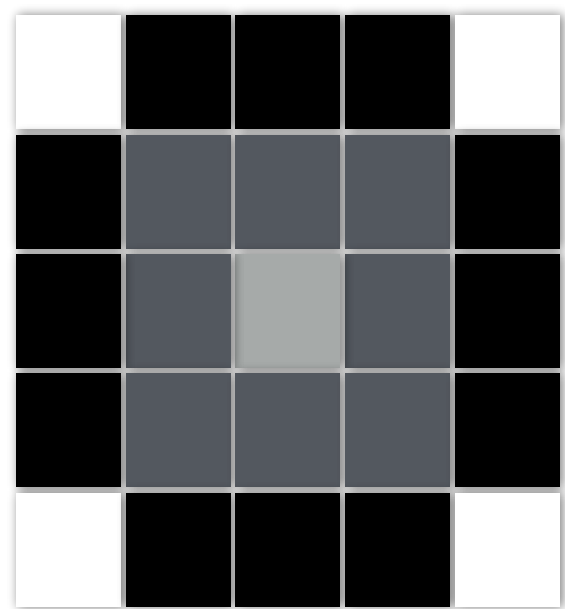
$ASM = 0.08$

Gray-Level Co-occurrence Matrix (GLCM)



- Example :

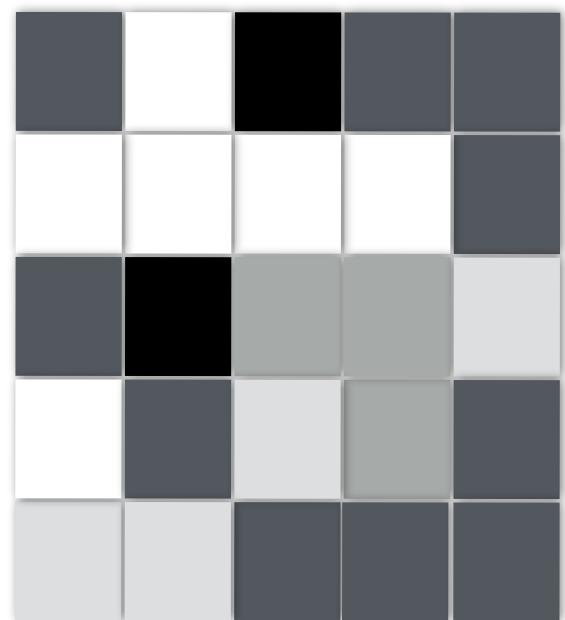
$$\text{Entropy} = - \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} G_{\text{norm}}(i,j) \log_2(G_{\text{norm}}(i,j))$$



$A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

Entropy = 2.8464



$A_2 =$

4	1	5	4	4
1	1	1	1	4
4	5	3	3	2
1	4	2	3	4
2	2	4	4	4

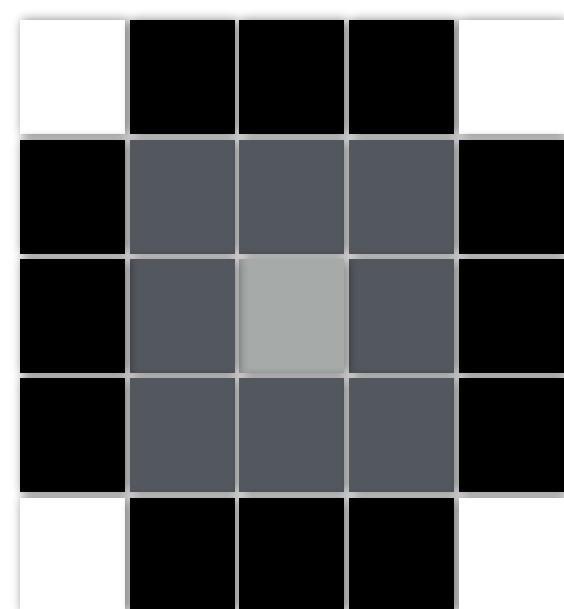
Entropy = 3.9087

Gray-Level Co-occurrence Matrix (GLCM)

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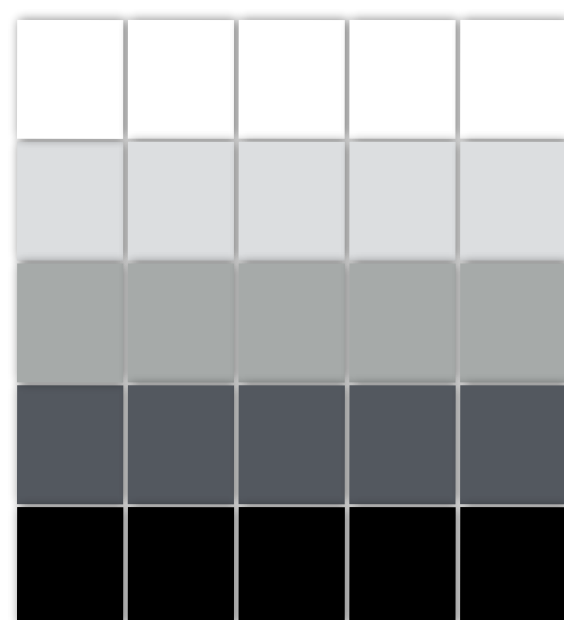
- Example :

$$\text{Contrast} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} |i - j|^2 G_{\text{norm}}(i, j)$$


 $A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

Contrast = 3.6


 $A_2 =$

1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5

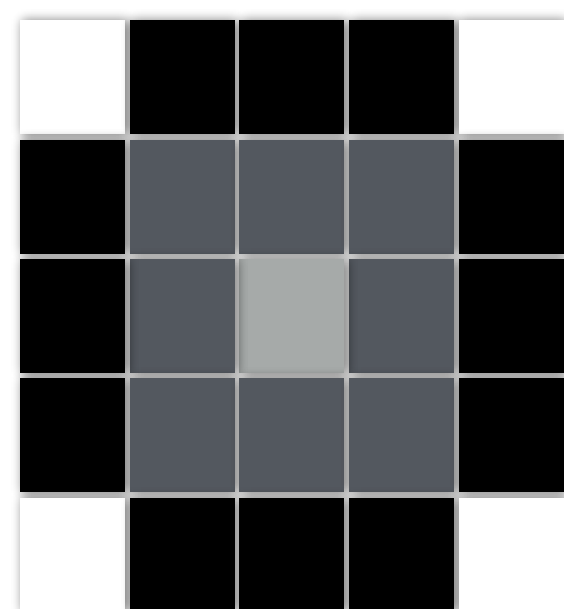
Contrast = 0

Gray-Level Co-occurrence Matrix (GLCM)



- Example :

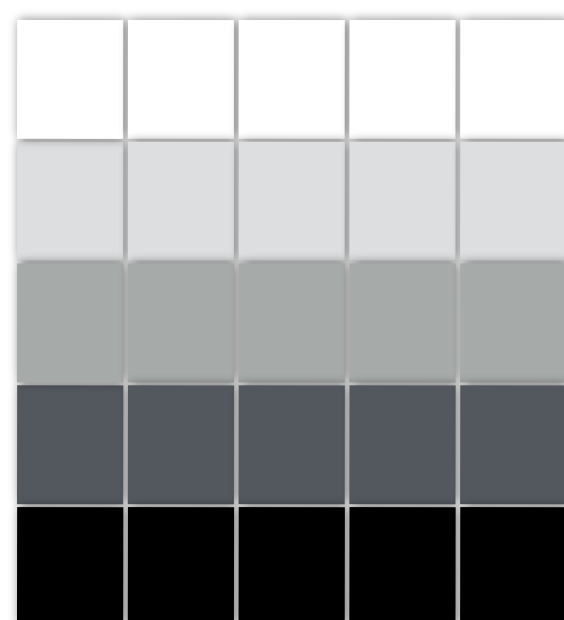
$$\text{Correlation} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} ij \left(G_{\text{norm}}(i,j) - \mu_x(i)\mu_y(j) \right)}{\sigma_x(i)\sigma_y(j)}$$



$A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

Correlation = -0.2950



$A_2 =$

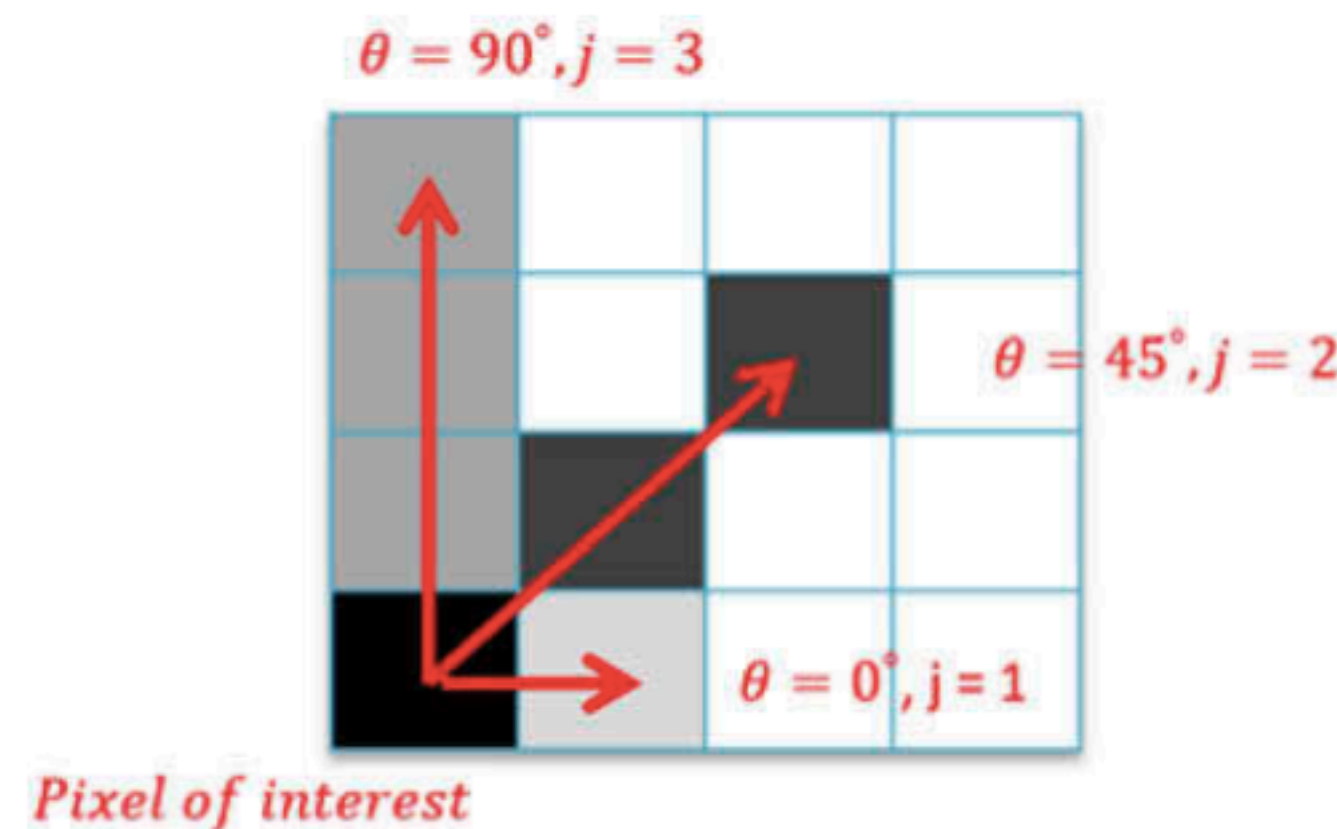
1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5

Correlation = 1.0000

Gray-Level Run Length Matrix (GLRL)

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- GLRL is defined as the number of contiguous voxels that have the same gray-level value and it characterizes the gray-level run lengths of different gray-level intensities in any direction.
- Based on the direction angle (θ), different GLRL matrices can be constructed.



Gray-Level Run Length Matrix (GLRL)

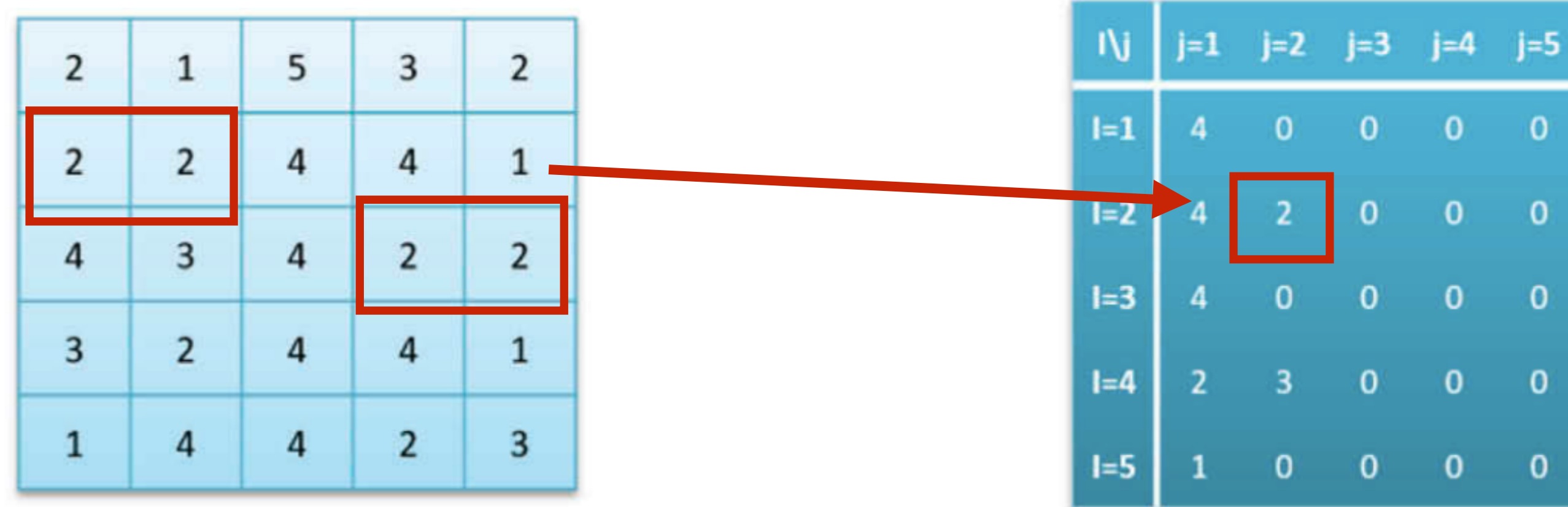
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- Example :

2D - GLRL

i is gray-level value, j is the number of times

$$\theta = 0^\circ$$



Gray-Level Run Length Matrix (GLRL)



- The most commonly used features :

$$\text{SRE} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \text{GLRL}(i, j) / j^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \text{GLRL}(i, j)}$$

$$\text{LRE} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} j^2 \text{GLRL}(i, j)}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \text{GLRL}(i, j)}$$

$$\text{GLN} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \text{GLRL}(i, j) \right)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \text{GLRL}(i, j)}$$

$$\text{RLN} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \text{GLRL}(i, j) \right)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \text{GLRL}(i, j)}$$

$$\text{RP} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \frac{\text{GLRL}(i, j)}{P}$$

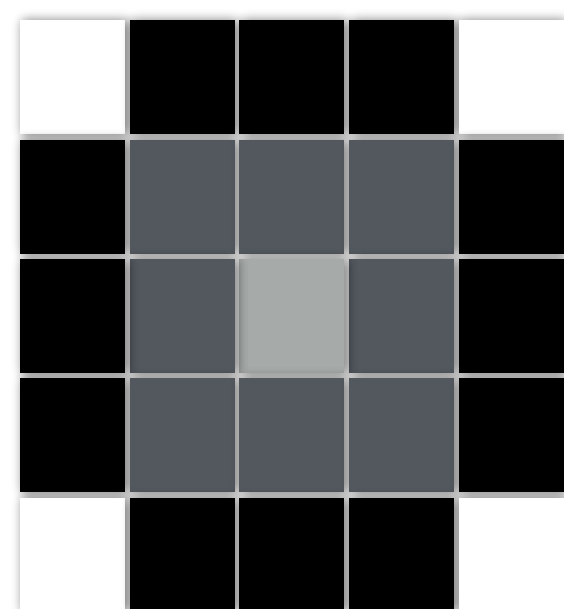
N_g is gray-level , N_r is the number of different run lengths

Gray-Level Run Length Matrix (GLRL)

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- Example :

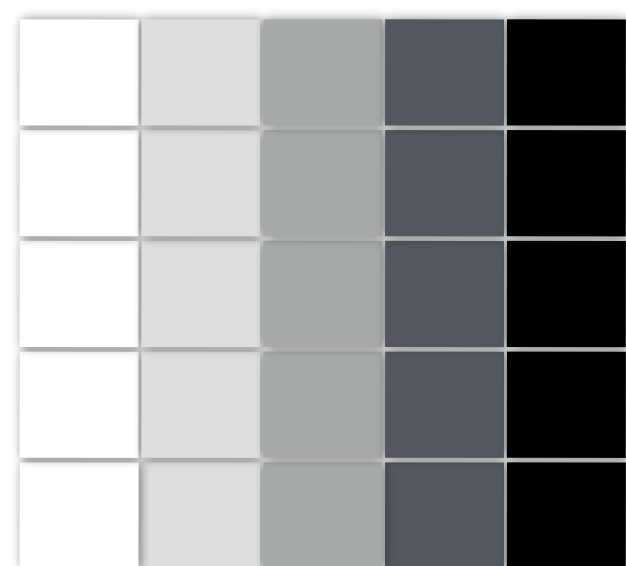
$$\text{SRE} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \text{GLRL}(i,j)/j^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \text{GLRL}(i,j)}$$



$A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

$$\text{SRE} = 0.7908$$



$A_2 =$

1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5

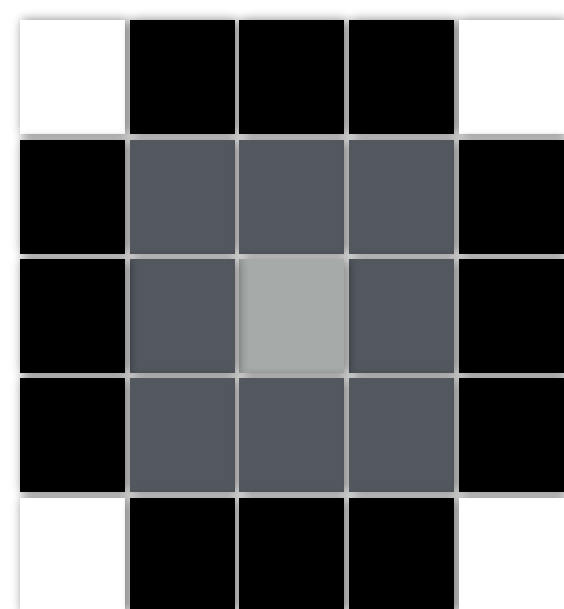
$$\text{SRE} = 1.0000$$

Gray-Level Run Length Matrix (GLRL)

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- Example :

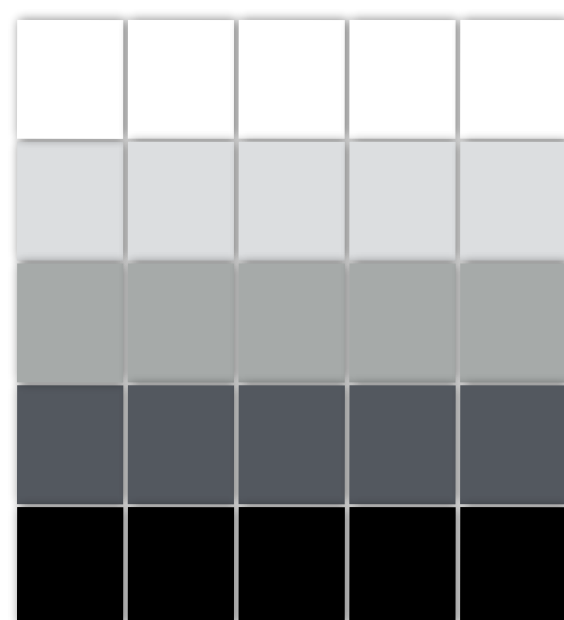
$$\text{LRE} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} j^2 \text{GLRL}(i, j)}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \text{GLRL}(i, j)}$$



$A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

LRE = 49



$A_2 =$

1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5

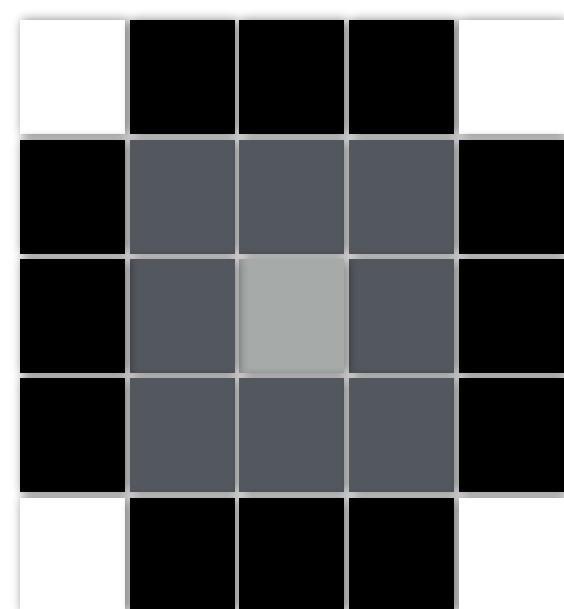
LRE = 125

Gray-Level Run Length Matrix (GLRL)

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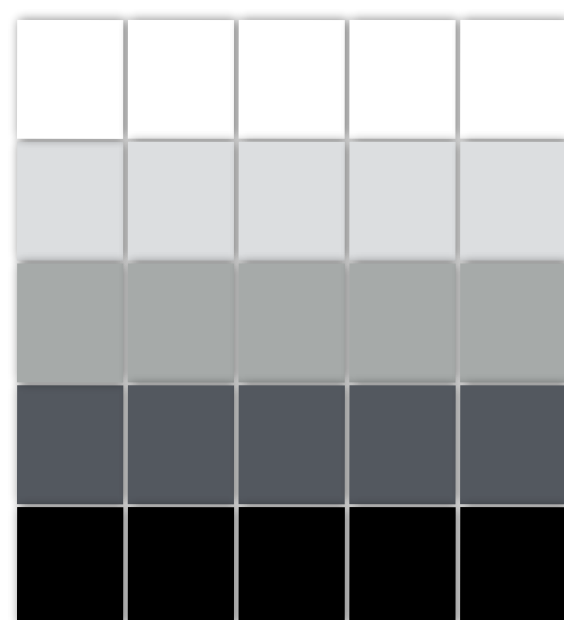
- Example :

$$\text{GLN} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \text{GLRL}(i, j) \right)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \text{GLRL}(i, j)}$$


 $A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

$$\text{GLN} = 5.7059$$


 $A_2 =$

1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5

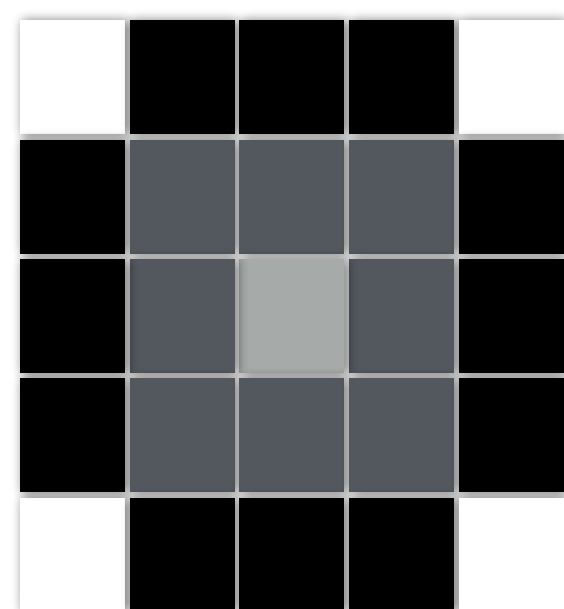
$$\text{GLN} = 1.0000$$

Gray-Level Run Length Matrix (GLRL)

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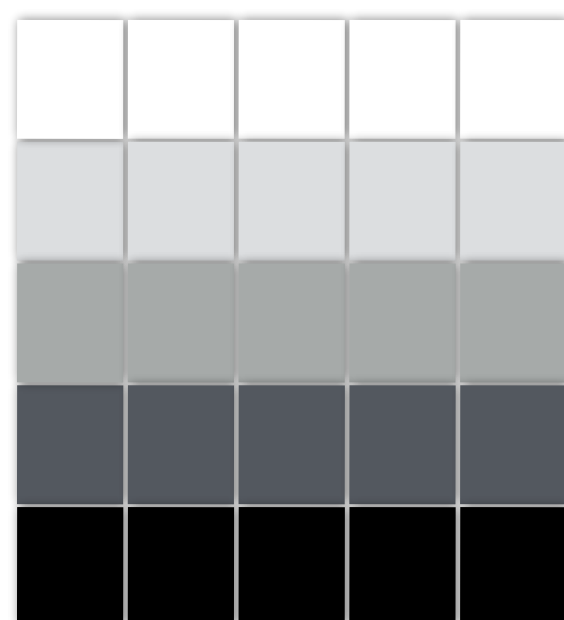
- Example :

$$RLN = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} GLRL(i, j) \right)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} GLRL(i, j)}$$


 $A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

$$RLN = 10.8824$$


 $A_2 =$

1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5

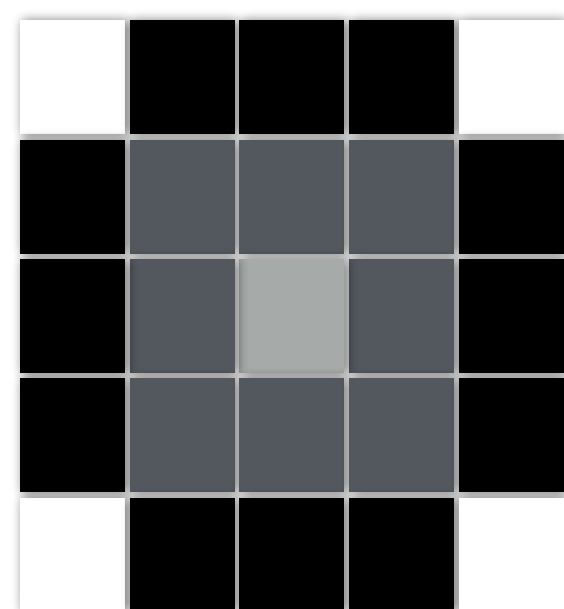
$$RLN = 5.0000$$

Gray-Level Run Length Matrix (GLRL)

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- Example :

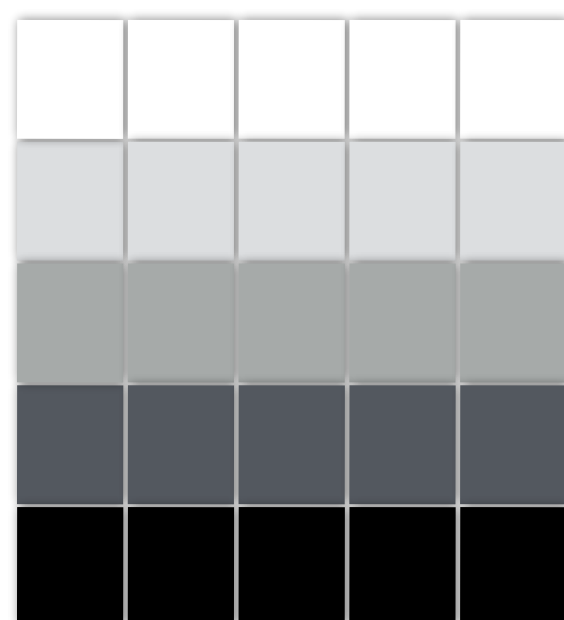
$$RP = \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \frac{GLRL(i, j)}{P}$$



$A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

$$RP = 0.6800$$



$A_2 =$

1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5

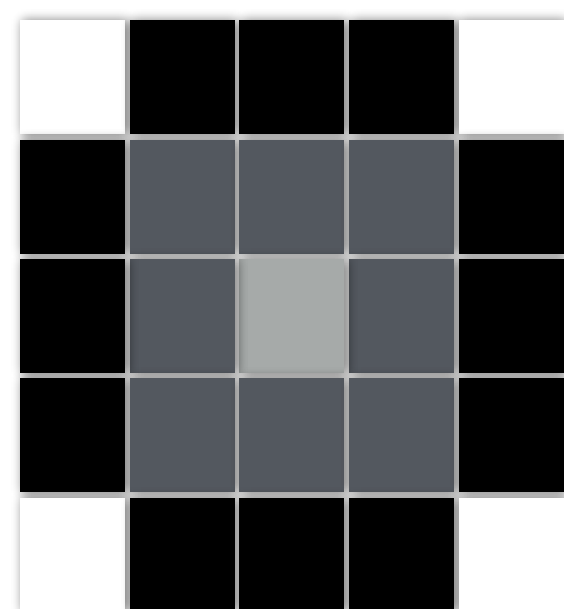
$$RP = 0.2000$$

Gray-Level Run Length Matrix (GLRL)

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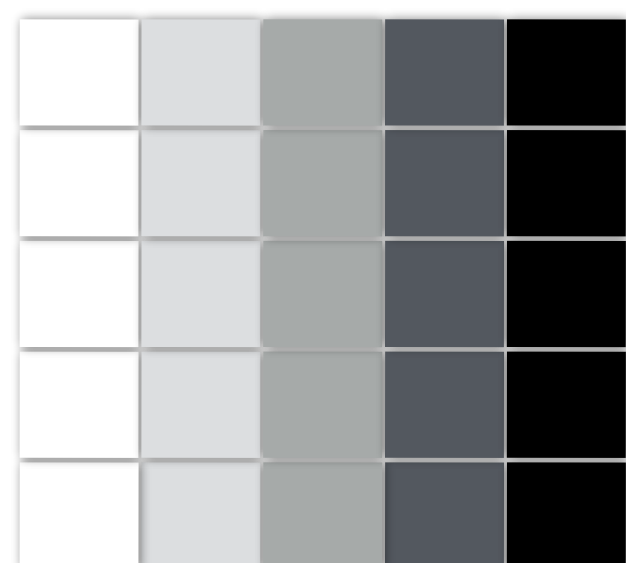
- Example :

$$RP = \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_r} \frac{GLRL(i,j)}{P}$$


 $A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

$$RP = 0.6800$$


 $A_2 =$

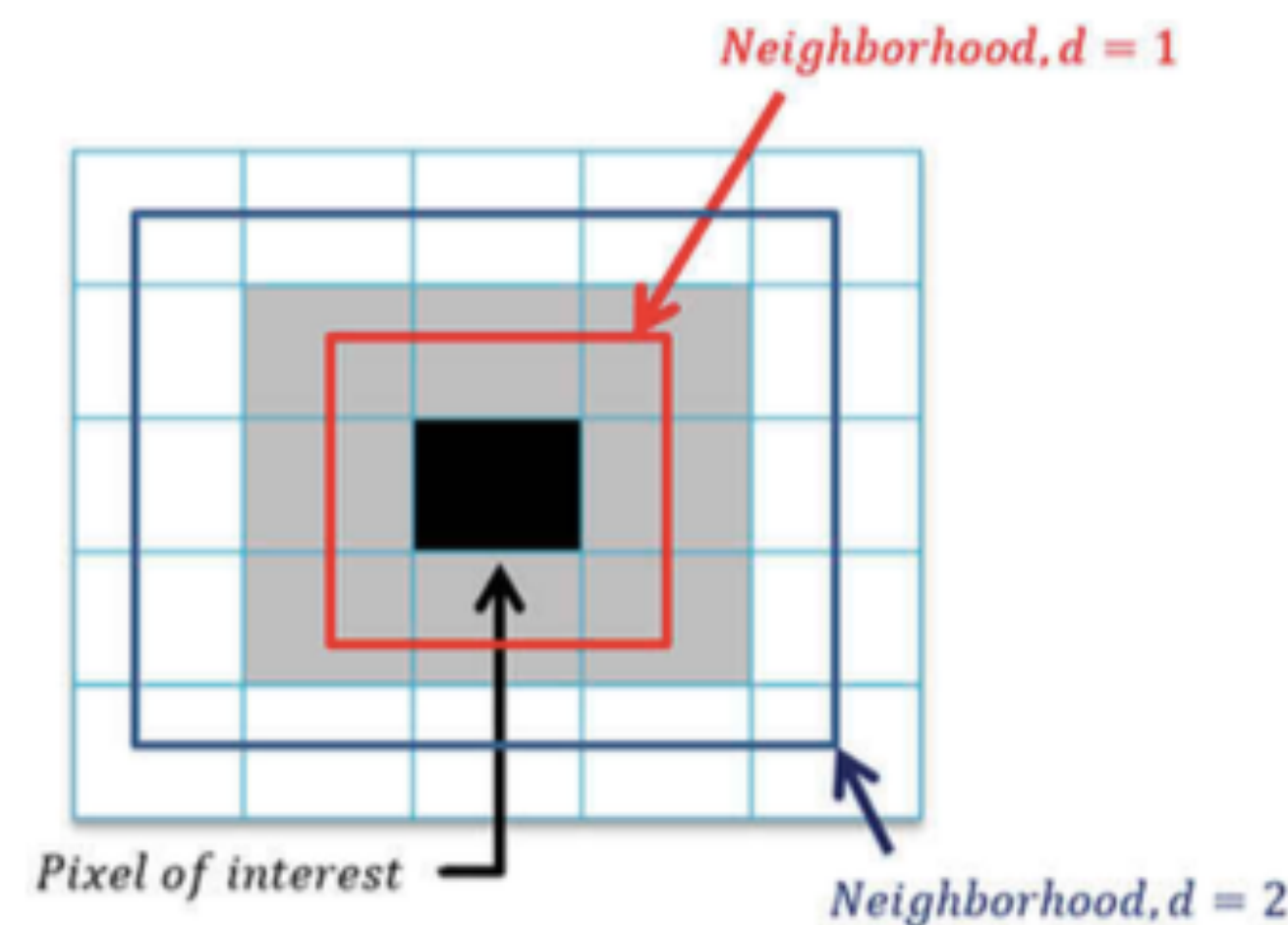
1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5

$$RP = 1.0000$$

Neighborhood Gray-Tone Difference Matrix (NGTDM)



- NGTDM is a texture analysis method based on the visual properties of an image.
- The each gray-level value in NGTDM is defined as gt .
- The size of the neighborhood is defined by the user. ($W = (2d+1)^2$)





- NGTDM of an image ($N_x \times N_y$) with N_g gray levels is given using the following set of equations :

$$ANGT(i,j) = \frac{1}{W-1} \left(\sum_{ik=-d}^d \sum_{jk=-d}^d I(i+ik, j+jk) \right), \quad (ik, jk) \neq (0, 0)$$

$$\forall i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, N_x\} \text{ and } j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, N_y\}$$

$$NGTDM(gt) = \sum_{(i,j) | I(i,j)=gt} |gt - ANG T(i,j)| \quad \forall gt \in \{1, 2, \dots, N_g\}$$

Neighborhood Gray-Tone Difference Matrix (NGTDM)

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- Example :

$$gt = 3, d = 1, W = 9$$

$$ANGT(3,2) = (2+2+4+4+4+2+3+4) / (9-1) = 25 / 8$$

$$NGTDM(3) = | 3 - 25 / 8 | = 1 / 8 = 0.125$$

2	1	5	3	2
2	2	4	4	1
4	3	4	2	2
3	2	4	4	1
1	4	4	2	3

I	NGTDM
1	0
2	3.500
3	0.125
4	5.125
5	0



- There are five features derived from the NGTDM :

$$\text{Coarseness} = \left[\epsilon + \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} P_i \text{NGTDM}(i) \right]^{-1}$$

$$\text{Contrast} = \left[\frac{1}{N_t(N_t - 1)} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} P_i P_j (i - j)^2 \right] \left[\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \text{NGTDM}(i) \right]$$

$$\text{Busyness} = \frac{\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} P_i \text{NGTDM}(i) \right]}{\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} i P_i - j P_j \right]}, \quad P_i \neq 0, \quad P_j \neq 0$$

$$\text{Complexity} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} \left\{ \frac{|i - j|}{n^2 (P_i + P_j)} \right\} \{ P_i \text{NGTDM}(i) + P_j \text{NGTDM}(j) \}, \quad P_i \neq 0, \quad P_j \neq 0$$

$$\text{Texture strength} = \frac{\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} (P_i + P_j) (i - j)^2 \right]}{\left[\epsilon + \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \text{NGTDM}(i) \right]}$$

N_t : total number of different gray levels present in the image

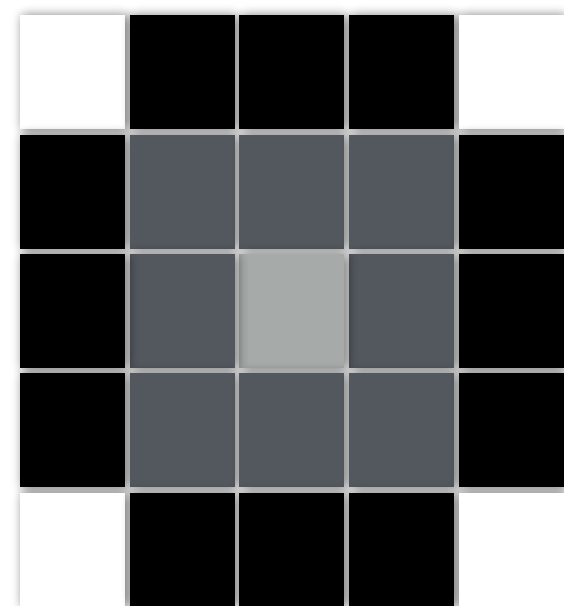
N_g : gray level

Neighborhood Gray-Tone Difference Matrix (NGTDM)



- Example :

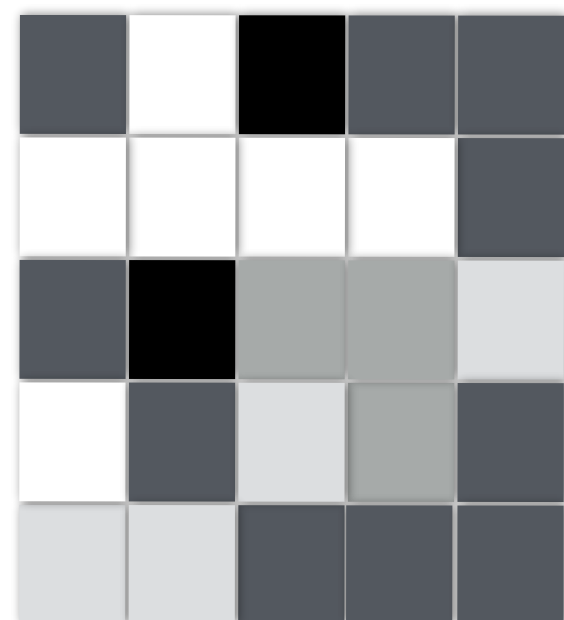
$$\text{Coarseness} = \left[\epsilon + \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} P_i \text{NGTDM}(i) \right]^{-1}$$



$A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

Coarseness = 2.7778



$A_2 =$

4	1	5	4	4
1	1	1	1	4
4	5	3	3	2
1	4	2	3	4
2	2	4	4	4

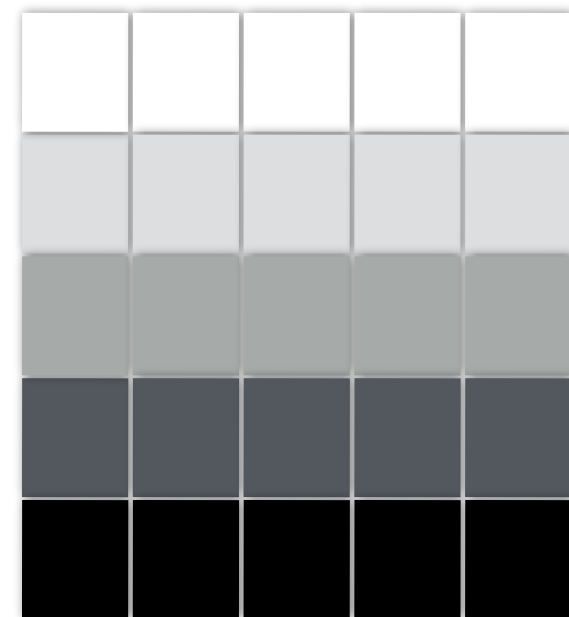
Coarseness = 0.3937

Neighborhood Gray-Tone Difference Matrix (NGTDM)



- Example :

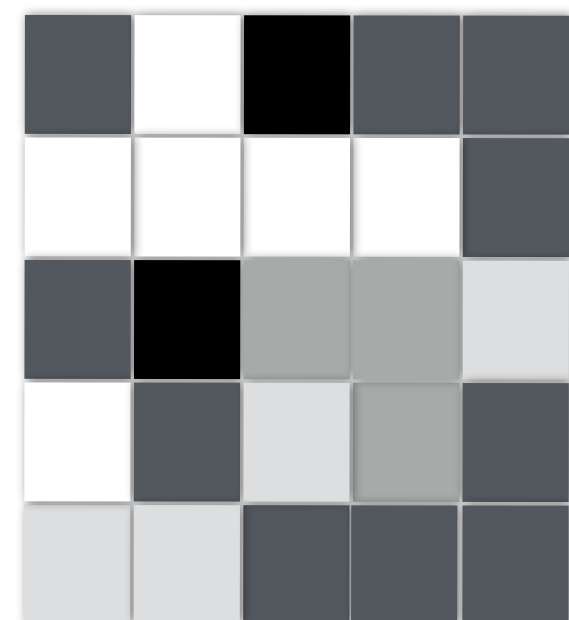
$$\text{Contrast} = \left[\frac{1}{N_t(N_t - 1)} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} P_i P_j (i - j)^2 \right] \left[\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \text{NGTDM}(i) \right]$$



$A_1 =$

1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5

Contrast = 0.0000



$A_2 =$

4	1	5	4	4
1	1	1	1	4
4	5	3	3	2
1	4	2	3	4
2	2	4	4	4

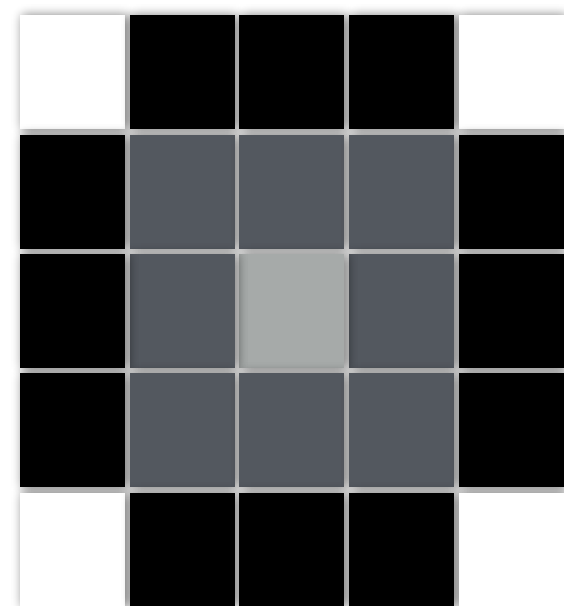
Contrast = 0.9440

Neighborhood Gray-Tone Difference Matrix (NGTDM)

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- Example :

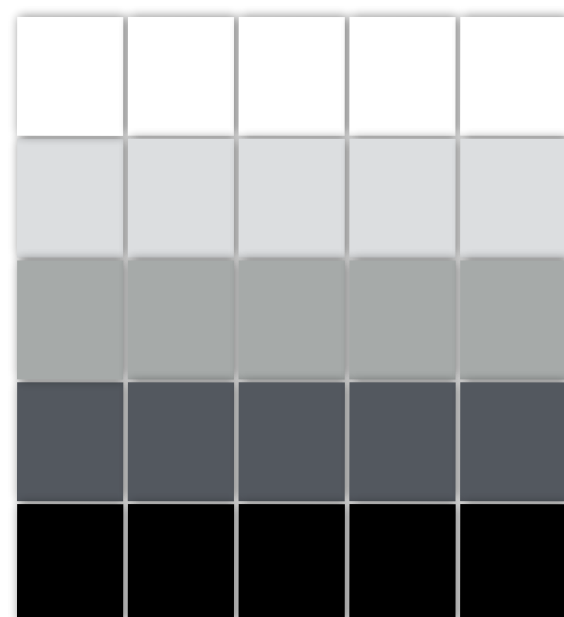
$$\text{Busyness} = \frac{\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} P_i \text{NGTDM}(i) \right]}{\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} iP_i - jP_j \right]}, \quad P_i \neq 0, \quad P_j \neq 0$$



$A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

$$\text{Busyness} = 1.6213 \times 10^{15}$$



$A_2 =$

1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5

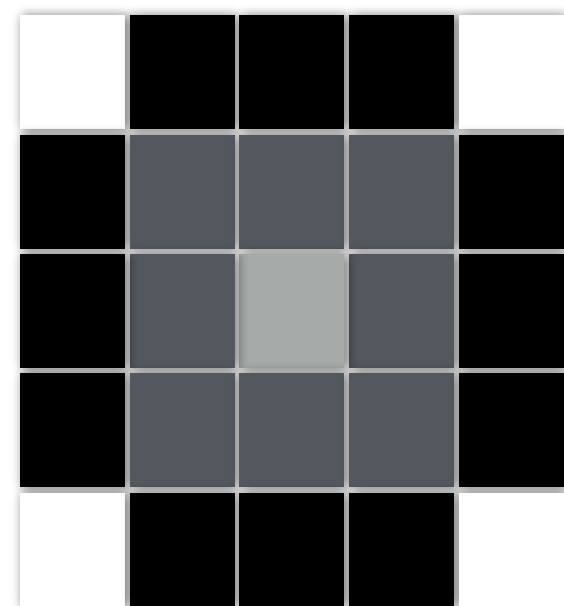
$$\text{Busyness} = 0.0000$$

Neighborhood Gray-Tone Difference Matrix (NGTDM)

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- Example :

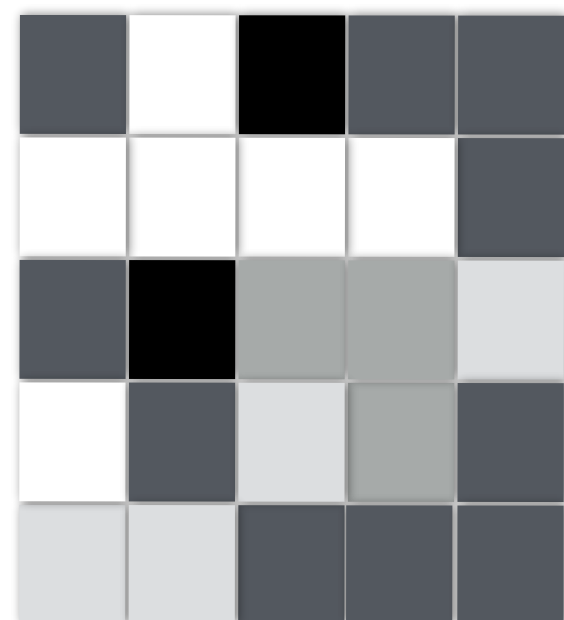
$$\text{Complexity} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ P_j \neq 0}}^{N_g} \left\{ \frac{|i-j|}{n^2(P_i + P_j)} \right\} \{P_i \text{NGTDM}(i) + P_j \text{NGTDM}(j)\}$$



$A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

Complexity = 0.3163



$A_2 =$

4	1	5	4	4
1	1	1	1	4
4	5	3	3	2
1	4	2	3	4
2	2	4	4	4

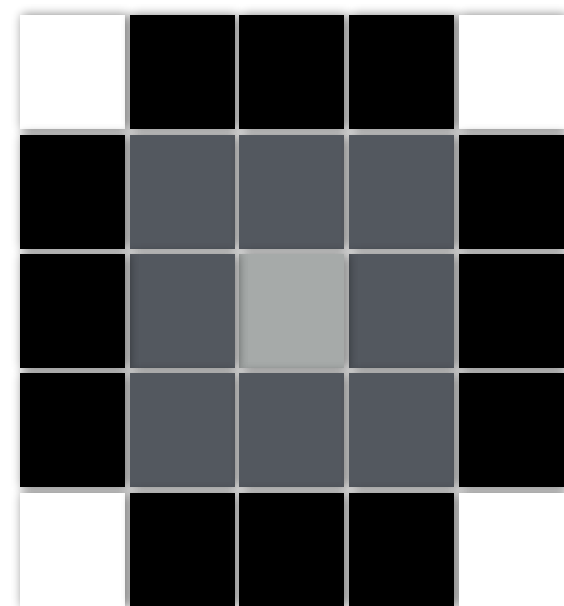
Complexity = 4.7702

Neighborhood Gray-Tone Difference Matrix (NGTDM)



- Example :

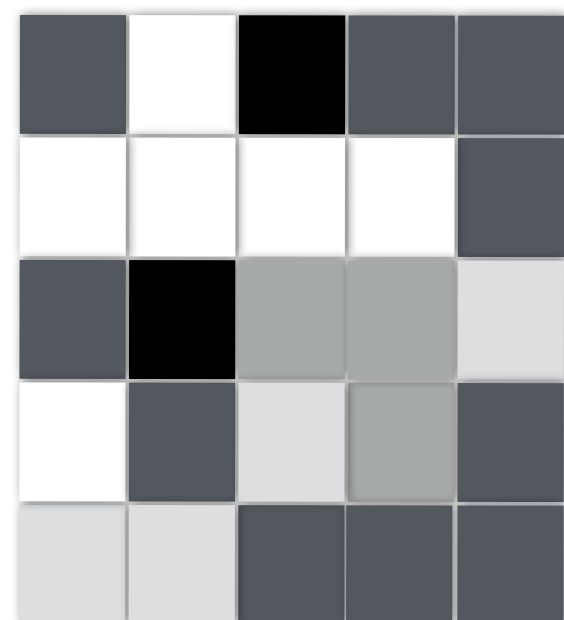
$$\text{Texture strength} = \frac{\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} (P_i + P_j) (i - j)^2 \right]}{\left[\epsilon + \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \text{NGTDM}(i) \right]}$$



$A_1 =$

1	5	5	5	1
5	4	4	4	5
5	4	3	4	5
5	4	4	4	5
1	5	5	5	1

Texture Strength = 24.4000



$A_2 =$

4	1	5	4	4
1	1	1	1	4
4	5	3	3	2
1	4	2	3	4
2	2	4	4	4

Texture Strength = 2.9825

Thank You