Multimedia Systems Lecture 4

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imwrite Function

Write image to graphics file

Syntax

- imwrite(A, filename, fmt) writes the image A to the file specified by filename in the format specified by fmt
- imwrite(X,map,filename,fmt) writes the indexed image in X and its associated colormap map to filename in the format specified by fmt
- ▶ imwrite(...,filename) writes the image to filename
- imwrite(...,Param1,Val1,Param2,Val2...) specifies parameters that control various characteristics of the output file. For example, if you are writing a JPEG file, you can specify the quality of the output image

Example

- A=imread('greens.jpg');
- imwrite(A,'new_greens.jpg','Quality',25)
- ▶ We choose the value of quality between 0 100
- Compare between the two images in size and histogram.

Imadjust : gamma

Syntax

J = imadjust(I,[low_in high_in],[low_out high_out],gamma)

Example:

- C=imread('circuit.tif');
- ▶ imshow(C)
- C_new=imadjust(C,[0 0.9],[],0.5);
- imshow(C_new)



Thresholding

To convert an image from gray scale to binary, we need to find a threshold (T) where values bigger than that threshold are white, and the rest is black

► Steps:

- Convert the image to a gray scale image
- The initial value of the T is calculated by

 $T = \frac{1}{2} \left(\min(L(:)) + \max(L(:)) \right)$

Depending on T value there are 2 sets of pixels

 $pixels = \begin{cases} G1 & f(x, y) \ge T \\ G2 & elsewhere \end{cases}$

Calculate a new value of the threshold where

 $T_{new} = \frac{1}{2} (Average_{G1} + Average_{G2})$

We repeat this operation until the difference between the last calculated thresholds is smaller than 0.2

Thresholding

- The next step is to give each pixel whose value is bigger than the threshold the value 1 (white) and the rest the value 0 (black)
- We can use the matlab function graythresh to calculate the T as it is shown in the following example.
 - gray_orginal=imread('cameraman.tif');
 - imshow(gray_orginal)
 - thresh=graythresh(gray_orginal);
 - binary=im2bw(gray_orginal,thresh);
 - imshow(binary)

Edge Detection

- Edge detection is an image processing technique for finding the boundaries of objects within images
- It works by detecting discontinuities in brightness
- Common edge detection algorithms include Sobel, Canny, Prewitt, Robert
- Edge detection is used for image segmentation and data extraction in areas such as image processing, computer vision, and machine vision.
- In an image, an edge is a curve that follows a path of rapid change in image intensity. Edges are often associated with the boundaries of objects in a scene. Edge detection is used to identify the edges in an image.
- To find edges, you can use the edge function. This function looks for places in the image where the intensity changes rapidly, using one of these two criteria:
 - Places where the first derivative of the intensity is larger in magnitude than some threshold
 - Places where the second derivative of the intensity has a zero crossing

Edge Detection

- I=imread('testpat1.tif ');
- IEr = edge(I, 'roberts');
- IEp = edge(I, 'prewitt');
- IEs = edge(I, 'sobel');
- IEc = edge(I,'canny');
- subplot(2,3,1), imshow(I); title('Original image');
- subplot(2,3,2), imshow(IEr); title('modified image using Roberts filter');
- subplot(2,3,3), imshow(IEp); title('modified image using prewitt filter');
- subplot(2,3,4), imshow(IEs); title('modified image using sobol filter');
- subplot(2,3,5), imshow(IEc); title('modified image using canny filter');

Morphological Transformations

- Morphological transformations are some simple operations based on the image shape. It is normally performed on binary image
- Strel
 - Create morphological structuring element
- Syntax
 - SE = strel(shape,parameters)
- Description
 - creates a structuring element, SE, of the type specified by shape. Depending on shape, strel may take additional parameters.

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Dilation and Erosion:

- ► B=strel('square',4);
- C=imread('circles.tif');
- Imshow(C);
- C2 = imdilate(C,B);
- ▶ imshow(C2);
- ► C3= imerode(C,B);

Opening and closing:

- ► d=strel('disk',5);
- T=imread('circlesm.tif');
- ▶ imshow(T);
- ► T1=imopen(T,d);
- ▶ imshow(T1);
- ► T2=imclose(T,d);
- Imshow(T2)

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Thinning and thickening:

- I= imread('testpat2.tif');
- I2=bwmorph(I,'thin',5);
- Imshow(I2);
- I3=bwmorph(I,'thicken',5);
- Imshow(I3)

► Top-hat filtering

- F=imread('afmsurf.tif');
- ▶ imshow(F);
- se = strel('disk',15);
- ▶ F1 = imtophat(F,se);
- ▶ figure,imshow(F1);
- K = imadjust(F1,stretchlim(F1));
- ▶ imshow(K)

Exercise

- Remove the thin wires from the image "wires.gif" and then remove the thick wires.
- Make the text in the image "text.bmp " clearer
- Remove the noise from the image "finger_print.bmp"

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