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Multimedia Systems Lecture 5

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JPEG Compression

- JPEG stands for Joint Photographic Experts Group.
- It is a lossy image compression standard which uses Discrete Cosine Transform (DCT) to compress images.
- It uses the following steps:
 - Shifting pixel values by subtracting 128 from each pixel value.
 - Divide image to 8 by 8 block and apply DCT on each block.
 - Quantize each block using a quantization matrix.
 - Encode the results of quantization.

Shifting and DCT

- The shifting is done easily using the minus operator applied to the image's matrix.
- After shifting the values of each pixel ranges from -128 to 127.
- Applying DCT is done using the blkproc function as follows:
 - blkproc is used to apply a function to all blocks of an image it has the following parameters
 - B = blkproc(A,[m n], fun)
 - A is the original image, m and n are the block's dimensions and fun is the function handle to execute.
 - This function expects as input a m by n matrix and returns a matrix, vector or a scalar.
 - B = blikproc(A,[8 8],@dct);

Quantization

- Quantization is the source of loss in JPEG images.
- Each 8 by 8 block is quantized to produce another 8 by 8 block which contains mostly zeros in place of the higher frequency components, which makes coding easier.
- A special quantization matrix is used which has large numbers in lower right corner and small ones in upper left corner.
- A scale is multiplied by the quantization matrix to represent the quality of images.
- The value of scale is between 0 (lowest quality) and 1 (highest quality)

Coding

- We convert each resulting block to a column and apply ZigZag reordering to it.
- ZigZag tries to put the lower frequency components first and the higher frequency components which corresponds to zero at last.
- This makes coding easier because the last zeros are all replaced with End Of Block (EOB) byte.
- We do the conversion using im2col function as follows im2col(A, [8 8], 'distinct');
- We use the function mat2huff to code the results.

JPEG Decompression

- JPEG files are decompressed in the reverse order of compression.
- Decompression follows the following steps:
 - We use huff2mat to do reverse Huffman coding.
 - We reconstruct the 8 by 8 blocks with help from the EOB value.
 - We do dequantization where the values of each block are multiplied by the quantization matrix taking the scale's value in consideration.
 - We do reverse DCT.
 - We shift the pixel values again to restore original values in the range of 0 to 255.

Good Luck