Digital Image Processing: Introduction



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This lecture will cover:

- ✤What is a digital image?
- What is digital image processing?
- Categorization of image processing
- Image processing systems
- Media for digital data recording ,storage and distribution
- Data formats of digital image
- Display of digital image
- Advantages of digital image processing

What is a Digital Image?

>Digital image is an array of numbers depicting spatial distribution of certain field parameters(such as reflectivity of electromagnetic radiation ,emissivity, temperatures, some geographical or topographical elevation)

➢A digital image is a representation of a two-dimensional image as a finite set of digital values, called picture elements or pixels



Scene element

What is a Digital Image? (cont...) > Digital image consists of discrete picture elements called pixel.

≻Each pixel has a coordinate (x, y) in the discrete space representing a continuous sampling of the earth surface

≻A numerical value ,represented as DN ,is associated with each pixel

➢ Pixel value is also called image intensity, image brightness or gray level which stored as binary digits in computer.



What is Digital Image Processing?

Digital image processing involves the manipulation and interpretation of digital image with the aid of computer

Digital image processing focuses on two major tasks

- Improvement of pictorial information for human interpretation
- Processing of image data for storage, transmission and representation for autonomous machine perception

What is DIP? (cont...)

The continuum from image processing to computer vision can be broken up into low-, midand high-level processes

Low Level Process	Mid Level Process	High Level Process
Input: Image Output: Image	Input: Image Output: Attributes	Input: Attributes
Examples: Noise removal, image sharpening	Examples: Object recognition, segmentation	 Examples: Scene understanding, autonomous navigation



Major image processing techniques Image rectification and restoration







- PC transformation
- Tasseled cap transformation
- Colour space transformation
- Fourier transformation
 - Image fusion

Addition

subtraction

multiplication

Indices/ rationing

Multiplicative fusion

PCA transform fusion

HIS transform fusion

Wave let transform fusion

Major image processing techniques continued......



Image processing system

Hard ware

- Main farmed based
- Minicomputer based
- Microcomputer based

Peripherals

- Input device-To enable analog-to-digital conversion
- Image out put devices-For displaying
- Printer-produce hard copy
- Image recording equipment-establish for data archives

Software

- ERDAS Imagine
- PCI Geomatica
- TNT mips
- ENVI(Environment for Visualizing Images)
- GRASS
- ERIPS
- EMPIS
- ELAS
- GYPSY
- > LINUS
- > WINDOWS

Media for digital data recording ,storage and distribution

- HDDT(High density digital tapes)
- Transferred to CCT/ Floppy disk-for distribution
- Magneto-optical disk with erasable function
- CD-ROM
- DVD

Data formats of digital image

- Images are available in two forms photo graphic and digital form
- In 1982 common format LTWG(Landsat Technical Working Group)
- CEOS(Committee on earth observation satellite)
- GeoTIFF, HDF(*Hierarchical Data Format*)
- File interleaving formats
- 1. Band interleaved by pixel(BIP) A set of multiband data with respect to each pixel arranged spatially by the pixel number and line number
- 2. Band interleaved by line(BIL) Line data are arranged in the order of band number and repeated with respect to line number
- 3. Band sequential (BSQ) image data(pixel no and line no) of each band are separately arranged

Display of digital image

- VDU
- LCD
- CRT

ADVANTAGES OF DIP

Low cost

Efficient computer hard ware and soft

ware

- Data storage
- Easy to asses
- Accuracy