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Preface

The act of creating a digital system that manipulates a digital picture is known as "digital image processing." Due to the broader variety of applications available with digital image processing, it has supplanted analogue image processing over time. We will just cover some of the most important applications of digital image processing since it has such a broad range of uses and has an influence on practically all technological domains. Digital image processing goes beyond just adjusting the spatial resolution of commonplace pictures that are taken by cameras. It goes beyond just boosting the image's brightness, etc. It is really much more than that. You may imagine a stream of particles travelling at the speed of light as electromagnetic waves. A group of energy is contained inside each particle. A photon is the name given to this group of energy.

The following list includes some of the main industries where digital image processing is used extensively: sharpening and restoring of images, clinical setting, remote monitoring, communication and coding, robot or machine vision, colour gradation, pattern identification, video editing, miniature imaging, sharpening and restoring of images. Here, the terms "image sharpening" and "restoration" refer to the processes used to enhance or edit photographs taken with a contemporary camera to get desired results. It alludes to the standard functions of Photoshop. Zooming, blurring, sharpening, converting from grayscale to color, identifying edges and vice versa, image retrieval, and image recognition are included.

The frequent uses of DIP in the realm of medicine include Gamma-ray imaging, an MRI, Radar Imaging, Health CT, UV photography, UV photography. The region of the earth is scanned by a satellite or from a very high ground in the field of remote sensing, and after that, it is analysed to get data about it. The detection of earthquake-related infrastructure damage is one specific use of digital image processing in remote sensing. Even when substantial damages are the emphasis, it takes longer for harm to be understood. Because the region affected by an earthquake may sometimes be so large, it is impossible to visually inspect it to determine the extent of the damage. Even if it is, the process is incredibly stressful and time-consuming. In light of this, digital picture processing offers a remedy. To identify the different kinds of damage caused by the earthquake, a photograph of the affected region is taken from above and analysed. The processing of coloured pictures and various colour spaces are both included in colour processing. It also entails researching the transmission, storage, and encoding of these colour pictures, such as the RGB colour model, YCbCr, and HSV.

Study of image processing and numerous other subjects, such as machine learning, are necessary for pattern detection. (a branch of artificial intelligence). picture processing is used in pattern recognition to identify the items in a picture, and machine learning is then used to teach the system to recognise changes in patterns. Pattern recognition is utilised in computer assisted diagnosis, handwriting recognition, picture identification, etc. A video is nothing more than simply a series of images that move really quickly. The quantity of frames or photos each minute and the calibre of each frame utilised determine the video's quality. Noise reduction, detail improvement, motion detection, frame rate conversion, aspect ratio conversion, colour space conversion, and other processes are all part of video processing.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION TO HOME SECURITY SYSTEM

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Currently, artificial intelligence is developing quickly, offering us a vast array of possible outcomes. Investigation, measuring, and detecting reached new heights thanks to the use of artificially enhanced reasoning. Similar integrated automation systems that control power management, ventilation, security, and other operations with little to no human interaction are found in many corporate buildings. The need for security in modern society cannot be stressed given the growing crime rate, as security has always been a major concern across the globe. This module is mostly required to lessen the risk of robberies in safe sites like homes, apartments, and workplaces because most robberies take place at residences while we are spending a lot of time outside. Most of the time, we depend on neighbors, gate locks, or security guards. It shouldn't be shocking that as technology advances, robots will gradually replace human workers in more and more jobs [1]. When an intruder enters your property, this module will notify you using Face Detection and Recognition technology. The identification and detection of faces is one of the most crucial problems in modern applications.

A computer vision technology called face detection helps identify and visualize human faces in digital photos that have been taken with a camera. The face recognition system has two subsystems: face detection and picture database systems. Both traits and photos may be used to recognize faces. The skin tone, eyebrows, nose, and mouth are among the elements that feature-based and image-based approaches utilise to detect and identify human faces, respectively [2]. The module employs a feature-based face recognition algorithm to identify individuals by identifying any face or faces in a colour picture and comparing them to a dataset. In order to establish whether the creature is human or not, this module mostly looks for motion. Depending on the default settings, the algorithm assesses whether the found data is known or unknown [3]. The doors will open as well as the lights will come on when the person's face is recognized, allowing them entrance Figure 1. A burglar alarm will sound and entry will be denied if the user cannot be identified Figure 2.



Figure 1: Illustrates when the person's face is identified, the doors will open and the lights will turn on.



Figure 2: Illustrates an intruder alarm will be triggered along with the denial of access.

Computer Vision

Artificial intelligence (AI area)'s of computer vision allows computers and systems to extract useful information from digital photos, videos, and other visual inputs and to conduct actions or provide suggestions in response to that information. If AI gives computers the ability to think, computer vision gives them the ability to see, observe, and comprehend. Human vision has an advantage over computer vision in that it has been around longer [4]. With a lifetime of context, human sight has the benefit of learning how to distinguish between things, determine their distance from the viewer, determine if they are moving, and determine whether a picture is correct. With cameras, data, and algorithms instead of retinas, optic nerves, and a visual brain, computer vision teaches computers to execute similar tasks in a much less time. A system trained to check items or monitor a production asset may swiftly outperform humans since it can examine hundreds of products or processes per minute while spotting undetectable flaws or problems. According to a widely accepted theory, our brains use patterns to interpret specific things. Systems for computer vision are developed using this idea. The algorithms for computer vision they use currently are based on pattern recognition. They use a tonne of visual data to train computers, which then analyses photos, identify the things in them, and look for patterns. For instance, if we submit a million photographs of flowers, the computer will examine them, find patterns that are shared by all flowers, and then produce a model "flower" as a result of its analysis. As a consequence, each time we submit them a photo, the computer will be able identify recognize a certain image as a flower with accuracy. Energy, utilities, manufacturing, and the automobile sectors all employ computer vision, as well as the industry is still expanding. By 2022, it's anticipated to reach USD 48.6 billion [5].

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CHAPTER 2

THE HISTORY OF COMPUTER VISION

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Robot vision and comprehension systems have been developed by scientists and engineers over the course of almost 60 years. Neurophysiologists began their first experiment in 1959 by introducing a cat to a range of images in an attempt to correlate a brain response. Scientifically, this revealed that fundamental shapes like straight edges where image processing originated. They discovered that it originally responded to hard edges or lines [1]. Around the same time, the first computer image scanner technology was developed, enabling computers to digitize and take photographs. Another significant step was made in 1963, when computers were able to transform two-dimensional images into three-dimensional forms. The 1960s witnessed the beginning of AI research and the quest to use AI to solve the problem of human vision. In 1974, the first optical character identification (OCR) software was released, which could read text in any typeface or font. (3) To decipher handwritten text, intelligent character recognition (ICR) may use neural networks in a similar manner. Ever since, OCR and ICR have been utilized for a number of common tasks, such as the processing of bills and other paperwork, identifying license plates, accepting payments through mobile devices, and machine translation. David Marr, a neuroscientist, created techniques that allow computers to distinguish edges, corners, curves, as well as other basic structures in 1982, proving that vision works hierarchically [2].

Parallel to this effort, computer scientist Kunihiko Fukushima developed a network of neurons that might recognize patterns. The Neocognitron network included convolutional layers from a neural network. In 2000, object identification became the focus of study, and the first real-time face detection and recognition applications appeared in 2001. Visual data sets' labeling and annotation became standardized during the 2000s. In 2010, the ImageNet data set became available. Millions of annotated photographs from a thousand distinct object classes are included in it, and it served as the foundation for the present generation of CNNs with deep learning models. In 2012, a team from the University of Toronto joined CNN in a contest for image identification. The rate of error in photo identification was greatly reduced using the Alex Net method. Error rates have fallen to only a few percentage since this breakthrough [3].

Computer Vision Applications

There is much research being done on the subject of computer vision, but it is more than that. Applications in actual environments demonstrate how essential computer vision is to activities in commerce, entertainment, transportation, healthcare, and day-to-day life. A key element in the growth of these applications is the flood of visual data from smartphones, security systems, traffic cameras, as well as other devices with a visual interface. This data may be crucial to operations in so many different firms, despite the fact that it isn't presently being used. The information provides computer vision programs with a training ground and a Launchpad for integrating them into a range of human endeavors:

- IBM once again used machine vision to develop My Moments for the 2018 Masters Golf Tournament. IBM Watson was able to identify the sights (and sounds) of significant shots after seeing hundreds of hours of Masters Footage. It gave viewers with customized highlight snippets of these important events after choosing them.
- Users may almost instantaneously translate a sign into their preferred language by directing a smartphone camera at the sign in that language and using Google Translate.
- The development of self-driving automobiles uses computer vision to evaluate the visual input from a car's cameras and other sensors. It is essential to recognize any other cars, traffic signs, road markings, bicycles, pedestrians, as well as other visual objects on the road [4].
- IBM is utilizing computer vision technologies with partners like Verizon to bring advanced AI to the edge and help automakers identify quality concerns before a car leaves the factory.

Open-CV

For image processing, machine learning, and computer vision, there is a large open-source library called Open-CV. Real-time operation, which really is essential in contemporary systems, is one area where it now plays a vital role. It may be used to locate people, objects, and sometimes even human handwriting in images and videos. So when library is used with additional libraries, such as Numbly, Python can handle the Open-CV array structure enabling analysis in Figure 1. To recognize the visual pattern and each of its many aspects, we use vector space and arithmetic calculations on these traits. The initial version of Open-first CV was 1.0. Since it is offered under a BSD license, Open-CV is free for both educational and commercial use. It supports C++, C, Python, and Java interfaces and works with Windows, Linux, Mac OS, iOS, and Android. When Open-CV was created, real-time applications for increased processing efficiency were the main focus. Everything has been optimized for multi-core processing and is written in C/C++ [5].



Figure 1: Illustrates the normal photo of a person.

Since there are two faces in the picture above and the individual (I) is wearing jewelry, such as a bracelet and a watch, Open-CV may be used to extract all of this information from of the original image in Figure 2.

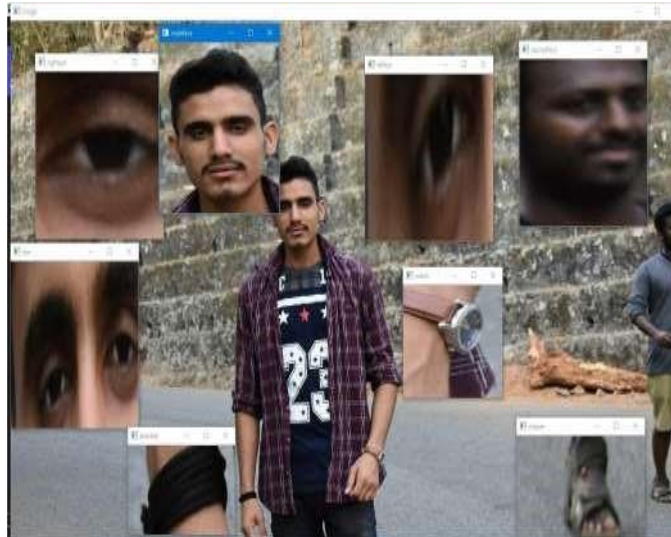


Figure 2: Illustrates the information from the normal photo represented in the form of small images from the above original image, lots of pieces of information that are present in the original image can be obtained.

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CHAPTER 3

IMAGE-PROCESSING

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The process of performing different procedures to an image in order to enhance it or extract useful information from it is known as picture processing. The basic definition of image processing is the analysis and modification of digital pictures, typically with the purpose of improving their quality”.

Digital-Image

The intensity or grayscale level of a picture at any particular place is the amplitude of the component at each given set of coordinates, and an image may be conceived of as a two-dimensional function, $f(x, y)$, where x and y are spatial (plane) coordinates (x, y) . In other words, every image is nothing more than a two-dimensional (or three-dimensional inside the case of colored images) matrix that is characterized by the mathematical function $f. (x, y)$. Every pixel value in a picture specifies the color and brightness of the corresponding pixel. Image processing is essentially signal processing with a picture as the input and a collection of traits that are appropriate for that picture as the output. The three following stages are essentially involved in picture processing: dragging in the image, doing image analysis, manipulating the image, and producing output that might change the image or provide a new report [1].

Face Recognition

Facial recognition is a technique for identifying or confirming someone's identity using their face. Facial recognition technology can identify people in real time as well as in still photos and movies. Face recognition is a subtype of biometric security. Additional biometric software kinds include voice, fingerprint, and ocular retina or iris identification. The bulk of the technology's applications still fall under security and law enforcement, despite increased interest in employing it in other fields. Facial recognition is a technique for identifying or confirming someone's identity using their face. Facial recognition technology can identify people in real time as well as in still photos and movies [2]. Face recognition is a subtype of biometric security. Additional biometric software kinds include voice, fingerprint, and even identification of the retina or iris of the eye. The bulk of the technology's applications still fall under security and law enforcement, despite increased interest in employing it in other fields. Face recognition technology has gained popularity because to Facial-ID, which unlocks iPhones (however, this is only one application of face recognition). Instead than depending on a huge database of photographs to establish an individual's identity, facial recognition often detects and recognizes single person as the only user of the device, barring access to others. Beyond just unlocking phones, facial recognition technology compares faces of individuals passed by special cameras to images of people on the watch list [3]. The images just on watch lists might have come from anywhere, especially our accounts on social media and they could depict anybody, even those who aren't under suspicion for a crime. Although there may be differences, face technology systems generally work as follows:

Face Detection

Whether a face is alone or among a group of people, the camera can identify and locate it. The subject may be seen gazing straight ahead or even in profile in the picture.

Face Analysis

After that, the face is photographed and evaluated. Since it is simpler to match a 2D picture with pre-existing data or with publicly available photos, most face recognition technology employs 2D rather than 3D images. The computer reads the geometry of human face. Important factors to take into account include the distance behind each other's eyes, the depth of their eyes and mouth, the distance between whose forehead and chin, the contour of their cheekbones, and the appearance of their lips, ears, and chin. Recognizing the facial characteristics that are crucial for defining your face is the goal [4].

Converting the image to data

The face capture process transforms analog information (a face) into a collection of digital information based just on subject's facial characteristics (data). Your face's evaluation may essentially be expressed as a mathematical formula. The face print is the name of the mathematical pattern. Similar to how each person's fingerprint is distinct, each person's face print is also.

Finding a match

Each face print is then compared to a database of known faces. For instance, the FBI has access to more than 650 million photographs that are taken from various state databases. Facebook adds any photograph that has been named to their database, which also has facial recognition capabilities. If their face print matched a photograph in a face recognition database, a decision was made. Face recognition is said to be the most organic biometric evaluation. This makes sense considering that, as opposed to our thumbprints or irises, we often identify ourselves and other individuals by glancing at their features. More than half of the world's population, on average, routinely interacts with facial recognition technology [5].

Facial recognition is used

The technology is used for a variety of purposes. These include:

Unlocking phones

Many phones, including the most recent iPhones, use face recognition as a function to unlock the phone. The technology ensures that sensitive data remains inaccessible in the eventuality that the smartphone gets stolen and offers a robust approach for protecting personal information. Apple claims that there is a one in million chance that a random photo can unlock someone's phone.

Law enforcement

Face recognition technology is often used in law enforcement. According to a recent NBC report, police enforcement organizations in the US and other countries are increasingly using technology. Following an arrest, police collect mug shots of the suspects and compare them to local, state, and federal face recognition databases. When a picture of an arrestee is taken, it is saved in databases and reviewed whenever police carry out another criminal investigation. Furthermore, mobile face recognition allows law enforcement to take a picture of a driver or a pedestrian just on street utilizing smartphones, tablets, or any other portable devices, and instantaneously compare that picture to one or maybe more face recognition database before attempting to identify the person.

Airports and border control

Many airports across the world now use facial recognition technology often. More and more travelers are traveling with biometric passports, which allow them to skip the sometimes long lines and get right to the gate by going through an automatic e-Passport check. Using face recognition technology at airports might improve security and reduce wait times. According to the United States Homeland Security Department, facial recognition will be used on 97% of travelers by 2023. Along with airports, other border crossings, and large events like the Olympics, the equipment is utilized to increase security [6].

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CHAPTER 4

BLOCK DIAGRAM OF FACIAL RECOGNITION USING OPEN-CV

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The security system has now become faster and more dependable as technology has improved through time. However, our security equipment, such as our CCTV, can only view what is occurring and does not immediately send out an alarm when a theft occurs. Figure 1 shows the development of a smart home security system designed to quickly detect the theft. This recognizes a stranger and immediately sends an alarm message. In this manner, we may quickly apprehend the thief [1]. Hardware and software are needed to construct this smart security system. A buzzer, an Arduino Nano, a servo motor, connecting cables, and a camera are included with the kit. The software component is implemented with both the aid of the Python IDLE and Arduino IDE. Python IDLE is used to construct a facial recognition system that uses OPENCV and machine learning techniques to identify individuals, while Arduino IDE is utilised to programme how the hardware should operate. First off, the Arduino Nano was set up such that it will activate the servo motor to open the door when it senses a familiar face in front of the home entrance. An Arduino board-connected buzzer begins to sound when an unauthorized person or invader is discovered. By doing so, we may inform our neighbor's and quickly apprehend the burglar [2].

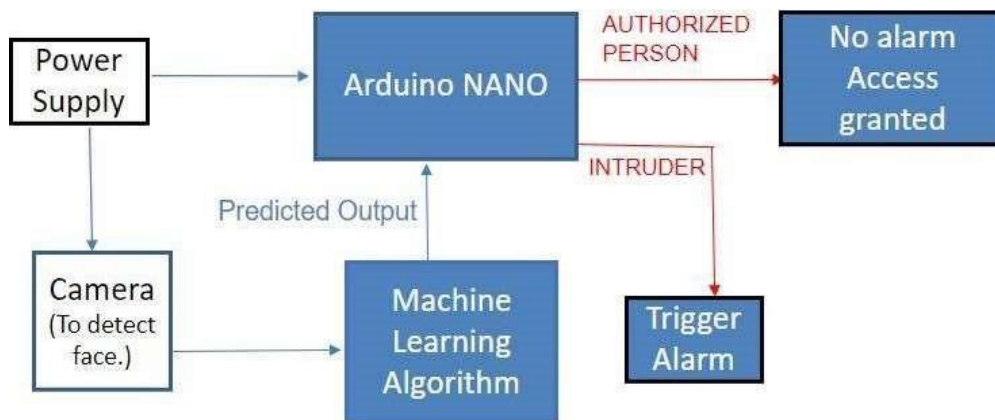


Figure 1: Illustrates Block diagram of Facial Recognition Using Open-CV.

Components used in facial recognition using Open-CV

A functionally independent module is a portion of any system. It performs a certain function and could call for input or give out output. The idealized electrical components represented by Electrical Elements are intellectual abstractions.

Arduino Nano

The Arduino team created the Arduino Nano board, a specific kind of microcontroller board. Based on either the Atmega168 or Atmega328p, this microcontroller. Although it is quite comparable to the Arduino Uno board, the Nano board has superseded the Arduino Uno because of its smaller

size when it concerns to pin arrangement and functionalities. Smaller components are desired when constructing an embedded system, as is well known. Electronic projects mostly employ Arduino boards. Robotics, embedded systems, etc. However, the Nano boards were primarily developed for novices without a technical background. One form of microcontroller board is the Arduino Nano, which was created by Arduino. It is possible to construct it using an Atmega328 microprocessor [3]. Additionally, the Arduino UNO uses this microprocessor. It is a flexible board that is modest in size and has many different uses. Arduino Mega, Arduino Pro Mini, Arduino UNO, Arduino YUN, Arduino Lily pad, Arduino Leonardo, but also Arduino Due are some of the other Arduino boards. The AVR Development Board, PIC Development Board, Raspberry Pi, Intel Pavilion, MSP430 Launchpad, as well as ESP32 board are further development boards. This board is similar to an Arduino Due-milanove board in terms of features and functionality. The packaging for this Nano board seems unique, however. It lacks a DC connector so that the power source may be supplied through a tiny USB port rather than by directly connecting to pins like VCC and GND. The board shown Figure 2 has a small USB port that may be used to supply this board using 6 to 20 volts [4].

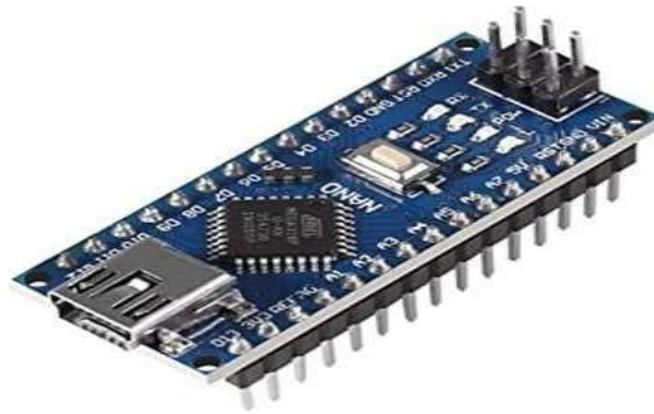


Figure 2: Illustrates the circuit board of Arduino Nano.

Arduino Nano Communication

An extra Arduino board, another computer, or microcontrollers may all be used to communicate with an Arduino Nano board, among other sources. The Nano board's microcontroller (ATmega328) supports serial connectivity (UART TTL). This is available at digital pins such as TX and RX. A serial monitor is included in the Arduino software to make it simple to send and receive text from the device. Every time data is delivered to the computer through into the FTDI & USB connection, the TX & RX LEDs upon that Nano board will begin to flicker. Any of the board's digital pins may support serial communication thanks to the library-like Software Serial. Additionally, the microcontroller supports I2C and SPI (TWI) connection [5]

Arduino Nano Programming

The Arduino software may be used to programme an Arduino Nano. Choose the Nano board by clicking the Tools option. The boot loader for the ATmega328 microcontroller upon that Nano board is preconfigured. With the help of this boot loader, fresh code may be uploaded without a third-party hardware programmer. This may be communicated with via the STK500 protocol. Therefore, the boot loader may also be omitted, and microcontroller programming can always be carried out utilising an Arduino ISP's header for in-circuit serial programming (ICSP) [6].

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SERVO MOTOR

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A servo motor is a kind of motor that has very precise rotational capabilities. This kind of motor often has a control circuit that gives feedback on the motor shaft's present location. This feedback enables the servo motors to spin very precisely. A servo motor is used to rotate an item at predetermined angles or distances. It consists of a straightforward motor that drives a servo mechanism [1]. A motor is referred to as a DC servo motor when it is powered by the DC power source, and an AC servo motor if it is driven by an AC power source. We will solely talk about the operation of the DC servo motor in this lesson. There are several different servo motor kinds based on the type of gear arrangement but instead operating characteristics in addition to these primary divisions. A servo motor often has a gear configuration that enables us to produce a very high torque servo motor into tiny and light designs. These characteristics have led to its employment in a variety of applications, including toy cars, RC helicopters and aircraft, robotics, etc. Typical hobby servo motors were rated at 3kg/cm, 6kg/cm, or 12kg/cm when measured in kg/cm (kilogramme per centimetre). You can determine how so much weight your servo motor could lift at a certain distance using this kg/cm value. For instance: If the load is hanging 1 cm from the motor shaft, a 6 kg/cm servo motor should have been capable of lifting 6 kg; the longer the distance, the less weight the motor can support [2]. A servo motor's position is controlled by an electrical pulse, as well as the motor's electronics is located next to it.

Servo Motor Working Mechanism

Controlled device, output sensor, and feedback system make up its three components. It is a closed-loop system that employs a positive feedback mechanism to regulate motion and the shaft's ultimate position. A feedback signal created by comparing that output signal with the reference input signal in this case controls the device. Therefore, the reference input signal but also reference output signal are matched, as well as the feedback mechanism produces a third signal. And indeed the third signal serves as the device's input signal for control. As longer as the feedback signal is produced or there is a discrepancy between both the reference input signals and reference output signal, this signal is there. Therefore, the primary function of a servomechanism is to keep a system's output at the target value even in the presence of noise [3].

Servo Motor Working Principle

A motor (either DC or AC), a potentiometer, a gear assembly, as well as a controlling circuit make up a servo. First, they employ a gear arrangement to lower the motor's RPM and boost its torque. Let's say that, at the servo motor shaft's starting position, this same potentiometer knob is set such that, as shown in Figure 1, no electrical signal is produced there at output port of a potentiometer. The error detection amplifier's second input terminal is now supplied with an electrical signal. Now, a feedback mechanism will analyse the differences between the two signals—one coming from the potentiometer while the other coming from external sources—and deliver an output in

the form of an error signal. This erroneous signal serves as the motor's input, as well as the motor begins to rotate. Once the potentiometer and motor shaft are connected, a signal will be produced by the potentiometer when the motor turns. Consequently, the output feedback signal of the potentiometer varies as its angular position does. And after a little time, the potentiometer's position reaches a point where its output matches the supplied external signal. Because there is no distinction between the externally applied signals and the signal produced by the potentiometer in this circumstance, there won't be any output signal from of the amplifier towards the motor input, and the motor will cease moving [4].



Figure 1: Illustrates the schematic diagram of servo motor.

Light Emitting Diode (LED)

The light-emitting diode is referred to by the acronym LED. Led bulbs are 90% more efficient than traditional light bulbs in terms of energy use. LEDs are ignited by an electrical current flowing through with a microchip, which creates visible light. To prevent brightness issues, the thermal energy that LEDs release is gathered in a heat sink. General lighting fixtures and systems employ LEDs. LEDs give a variety of design options despite their small size. Several LED bulb types have designs that resemble standard light bulbs. In certain LED light fixtures, LEDs may serve as a permanent light source [5]. A fixture designed expressly for a non-traditional "lightbulb" or moving light source format is used in other hybrid lighting strategies. Compared to earlier lighting technologies, LEDs offer broader uses, allowing for more inventive interior illumination. The LED is a forward-current-switching PN-junction diode that produces light whenever an electric current flows through it. Recombination of the charge carrier occurs in the LED. When the N-side electron and the P-side hole unite, energy is produced in the form of both heat and light. The LED emits light via the connection of the diode and is formed of colorless semiconductor material. The LEDs are widely employed in numeric and alphanumeric characters arrays and dot matrix displays. For each line segment, many LEDs are employed, but just one LED is used to create the decimal point.

Advantages of LED in Electronic Displays

The key benefits of using LEDs in electronic displays include the following: In the high-density matrix, the smaller LED may be placed together to create a numeric and alphabetic display. The amount of current that passes through an LED determines how bright its light output will be. They have a seamless control over how bright their light is. There are LEDs available that produce light in a variety of hues, including red, yellow, green, and amber. Less than one millisecond passes

between the LED turning on and off, or switching. Because of this, the dynamic operation uses LED [6].

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CHAPTER 6

COMPONENTS HOME SECURITY CAMERA

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The Camera Module OV7670 is used to utilise the camera with only an Arduino Nano. You are able to save VGA pictures with this module (640x480). It does very little pre-processing before transmitting the images to microcontrollers such as the Arduino through the SCCB interface. The camera device also supports CIF (352x240) and other image formats. Up to 40x30, manual adjustments also are available. VGA can transport images at a maximum of 30 frames per second. The camera's pre-processing of images includes operations including exposure, white balance, magnification, and more. There are also different choices for picture encoding (YUV, various types of RGB). Data transfer using the SCCB protocol [1].

Buzzer

The buzzer's pin arrangement. It has two pins: a positive pin and a negative pin. The "+" sign or a longer termination is used to indicate this's positive terminal. The positive terminal is represented by the "+" symbol or long terminal and is linked to the GND terminal, whereas this terminal is supplied by 6 volts. A piezo buzzer is a kind of electrical instrument used often to create sound. It may be used in a variety of applications, including computers, call bells, cars and trucks with reversing indicators, and basic, low-cost construction. The piezo buzzer is dependent upon that inverse principle of piezo electricity, which Jacques and Pierre Curie discovered in 1880. When some materials are subjected to mechanical pressure, it is a phenomenon that causes electricity to be produced, and the opposite is also true [2]. These substances are referred to as piezoelectric materials. Materials for piezoelectric devices may be created artificially or organically. A kind of man-made material known as piezo ceramic exhibits the piezoelectric phenomenon and is often utilised to create the piezo buzzer's disc. They stretch or contract in line with both the the signal's frequency when exposed to an alternating electrical field, creating sound.

The reverse piezoelectric action is the basis for the piezo buzzer's sound production. The core idea is to apply electric potential across such a piezoelectric material to generate pressure fluctuation or strain. These buzzers may be used to notify a user of a situation related to a sensor input, counter signal, or switching action. When a voltage is placed across these crystals, those who push doing one conductor and pull off the other, which is employed in alarm systems.

Using push and pull, a sound wave is produced. An example of a speech device that transforms audio models into sound signals is a buzzer. It mostly serves as a prompt or alert. It may generate a variety of sounds, including melody, flute, buzzer, alarm, electric bell, and others, depending on the design and use. Applications for sirens, alarms, fire alarms, air defense alarms, burglar alarms, timers, etc. are typical. It is extensively utilised in home appliances, security systems, automated manufacturing lines, low-voltage electronic devices, electronic toys, gaming consoles, and other goods and sectors [3].

Arduino IDE

The open-source software known as the Arduino IDE is used to create and upload code to Arduino boards. For various operating systems, including Windows, Mac OS X, and Linux, the IDE programme is appropriate [4]. The programming languages C and C++ are supported. Integrated Development Environment is referred to in this sentence. Sketching is a common term for writing a programme or piece of code throughout the Arduino IDE. To upload the sketch created in the Arduino IDE software, we must link the Genuine and Arduino board with the IDE. With both the extension shown in Figure 1, the drawing is stored.

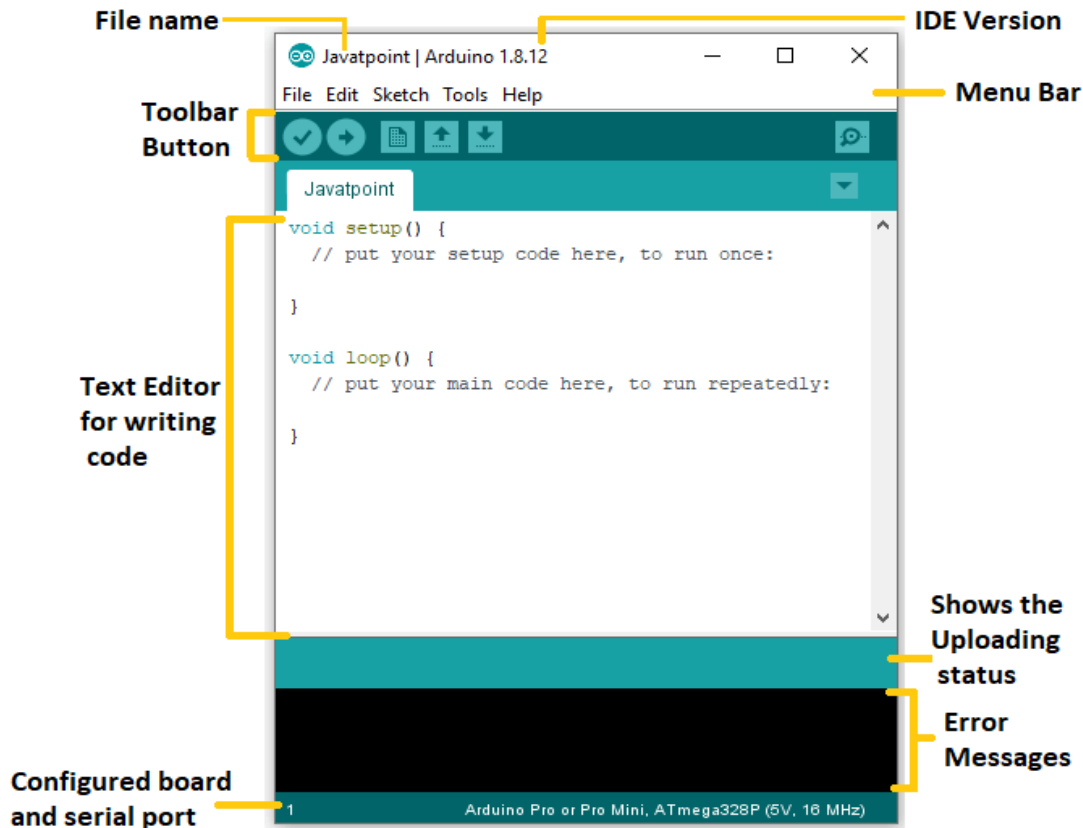


Figure 1: Illustrates working display in computer screen.

Upload

Our on-screen code is compiled and executed when you click the Upload button. The code is then uploaded to the linked board. We must confirm that the appropriate board and interfaces are chosen before submitting the drawing. To link the board to the computer, need also need a USB connection [5]. After completing the aforementioned steps, choose the Upload option from the toolbar. The most recent Arduino boards provide an automated reset feature before starting an upload. Now must push the Reset button that is available on the earlier boards. The Tx and Rx LEDs will begin to blink as quickly as even the uploading is complete. The notice will appear in the error box if the uploading fails. Using the Arduino Bootloader, we can upload our programme without any extra hardware. A bootloader is referred to be a brief software that is loaded into the board's microcontroller. On PIN 13, the LED will blink.

Python IDLE

An integrated development environment (IDE) for Python is called IDLE (Integrated Development and Learning Environment). The IDLE module is by default included in the Python installation for Windows. You can develop and run Python programmes from inside Python IDLE thanks to the program's feature-rich file editor. Code completion but also automatic indentation are only two capabilities of the integrated file editor that really can expedite your coding process [6].

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CHAPTER 7

IMAGE PROCESSING

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A tangible depiction or likeness of a person, animal, or item that has been painted, sculpted, photographed, or otherwise rendered visible is referred to as an image. The width and height of a picture, which are defined by the number of pixels, serve as a representation of the image. The pixel, which can be represented in grayscale, RGB, or RGBA, is a point on the image that assumes a certain shade, color, or level of opacity. Image processing is the process of applying adjustments to an image in order to improve it or extract useful information from it [1]. A picture serves as the input for the signal processing method known as image processing, and either that image or its properties or characteristics serve as the output. Analogue image processing and digital image processing are two primary categories for image processing techniques. Analog image processing has advantages for hard copies like printouts and pictures. Computers are used to manipulate digital photographs using digital image processing techniques. When adopting digital approaches, all sorts of data must go through three general phases: pre-processing, augmentation, and information extraction. Visualization, recognition, sharpening and restoration, pattern recognition, and retrieval are several types of image processing [2].

Image capture, image enhancement, image restoration, color image processing, wavelet packet and multiresolution processing compression, morphology processing, representation and description, and identification are the basic steps in image processing. Digital image processing applications are now used in practically every industry thanks to technological advancements, including the medical sector, picture polishing and preservation, UV sensing, transmissions and encoding, robot vision, pattern identification, face detection, and many more. A crucial step in image processing called image filtering can greatly enhance image quality and produce data. The process of replacing a pixel's value with values depending on operations or functions is known as filtering. Filters are the process or functions applied to the source image. Digital photos can be improved and changed using filtering techniques [3]. Additionally, image filters are utilized for edge recognition, noise reduction, and blurring. In order to improve images, low frequencies and high frequencies are primarily suppressed by picture filters and edge detection. Either the frequency and severity or the spatial domain can be used to filter images. In order to apply frequency filtering, a picture must first be transformed into the frequency domain, then multiplied by the frequencies filter function, and finally transformed back into the spatial domain. Some frequencies will be weakened and others will be amplified by the filter feature. Spatial domain filtering, which is applied directly to the picture pixels, is the conventional technique for filtering images. The input image is convolved with the filter function in the spatial domain. Edge detection filters can be divided into linear and non-linear filters based on their linearity. Edge detection is performed using non-linear filters. Techniques for nonlinear filtering are more efficient than those for linear filters.

In linear image processing, image edges and features frequently get blurry. Examples of linear filters are the Gaussian, Laplacian, and neighborhood Average (Mean) filters. Non-linear filters include median filters [4].

Filter that preserves edges: A typical image feature called Edge can aid in object tracking, feature description, pattern matching, picture segmentation, image reconstruction, and image compression. The edges of two distinct objects in an image are the typically perceptible differences in image intensity level. The method for identifying the edges of objects inside a photograph is called edge detection. Edge detection uses rapid changes in intensity values or brightness discontinuity to identify the edges of objects in a picture. There have been a number of edge detection techniques put into use, which can be categorized into the frequency response, spatial domain, and wavelet domain. An image is transformed into the frequency domain in order to execute various operations on it later. Since phase congruency makes use of the phase consistency property of the principal moment components, it is a useful frequency-domain technique for identifying edge information. Gradient operations are carried out directly on the pixels of the image in the spatial domain. First-order edge detectors like Roberts, Wavelet transform, and Sobel are used here. They look for locations where the gradient value is high. Interpolation, Gaussian-Laplacian, and Crafty are second-order type algorithms that look for zero-crossing locations using edge detectors [5].

The transformation of a picture into sub-banded multifrequency levels occurs in the wavelet domain in order to improve edge identification while suppressing noise. High frequencies are used to recover the image contour, whereas low frequencies are used to retrieve small details. The multiresolution analysis is significant in contour detection. In the Active Shape Model (ASM), the distance minimization method is used to find the best placement for the ASM points based on the Principal Component Analysis (PCA) of the grey values at each point on the object's border in order to determine the edges or contours of an item. The Sobel operator, Robert operator, and Prewitt operator are examples of traditional edge detectors that are simple to identify edges and their orientations as well as simple to use. Edge detection is subject to globally defined features for zero-crossing operators like the Laplacian and other derivative operators. However, each of these operators is noise-sensitive. On the other hand, in noisy environments, the clever operator detects edges more accurately because it incorporates a strategy to deal with noise issues before edge recognition. Smith and Brady developed SUSAN, a non-derivative filtering technique that can more quickly detect edges and suppress noise.

All edge detection methods need a distinct threshold or line of demarcation to distinguish between pixels with important local intensity variations (edge pixels) and those without such variations (i.e. non-edge pixels). At this barrier, noise is a constant problem. When identifying the edge information, the false alarm relative error must be as low as possible before choosing the threshold. Researchers have used fuzzy reasoning to detect significant edge strength without even being fooled by noise to deal with this. Later, to determine the precise edges, researchers used evolutionary optimization techniques to discover the ideal threshold, including the particle swarm optimization (PSO), bacteria foraging algorithm (BFA), genetic algorithm (GA), and bee colony optimization (BCO) [6].

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CHAPTER 8

DIRECTED FILTERS

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The majority of computer vision and computer graphics programs employ image filtering to omit and/or excerpt content from the images. It is common practise to use linear translation-invariant (LTI) filters with unambiguous kernels, such as the Gaussian, mean, Laplacian, and Sobel filters, for edge detection, blurring, feature extraction, sharpening, etc. The filtering kernels are defined by the inverse of a homogeneous Laplacian matrix. The spatial invariance and image content are unaffected by the linear translation-invariant kernels. However, one can also take into account more details from the provided guidance graphic. The groundbreaking work of anisotropic diffusion by leverages the gradients of the filtration picture itself to direct a diffusion process and prevent smooth edges. The weighed least squares filter, which optimises a quadratic function and uses the filtered input as guidance, is identical to the background subtraction filter with a nontrivial stable state [1]. A guide image can also be a different image in some situations in addition to filtering input. For instance, when colourizing, chrominance channels shouldn't flow across luminance edges, and when removing haze, the depth layer should be constant with the scene. The alpha matte in picture matting should preserve the thin structure in a visual picture. In these situations, the guide image may be thought of as luminance/composite/scene, and the filtered image can be thought of as chrominance/alpha/depth layers. To accomplish the filtering procedure, the guiding image is weighted through optimization of a quadratic cost function. The answer, which exclusively depends on the guide, is obtained by solving a massive sparse matrix. A filtering kernel for translation-variant data is defined by the inhomogeneous matrix [2].

A guide image has the advantage of being simple to incorporate into the filter kernels. The principle behind each bilateral filter is the same. The output of a binarization at a pixel can be thought of as an average of the nearby pixels that is weighted based on how similar the colours or intensities are in the guide image. The guided picture or another image can be thought of as the filter input. A bilateral filter can be used to smooth out small changes while keeping the edges sharp. Even though the bilateral filter is efficient in many processes, one of its key drawbacks is the possibility of undesirable gradient reversal artefacts near edges. Another difficulty with the bilateral filter is its rapid implementation [3]. They all introduced a special filter known as a guided filter. The filtering output is a local linear transformation of the guidance image. However, the guided filter, like the bilateral filter, offers good edge-preserving smoothing characteristics and may be able to solve the problem of gradient reversal artefacts. Additionally, directed filtering can carry out tasks other than smoothing; for example, it can make the output of the filtering process more organised and less smooth than the input. The guided filter performs admirably in a number of applications, including image smoothing, HDR compression, enhancement, matting, flash photography, joint upsampling, and dehazing [4].

Guided Adaptive Image Filtering:

Improving the sharpness and lowering the noise of digital photographs has garnered a lot of attention in the scientific community over the past few decades. It can be difficult to raise slope and decrease noise without producing halo artefacts. The borders of an image are blurred by typical linear filters, yet this effectively smoothes noise in homogenous regions. Contrarily, edge-preserving smoothing algorithms preserve edge structures while just filtering noise. Although existing methods such as anisotropic diffusion (AD), bilateral filtering (BLF), and guided image filtering (GIF) can fulfil these tasks, none of them can be used at the same time to improve sharpness and reduce noise. Due to its overly smooth nature, anisotropic diffusion can preserve and sharpen edges but removes noise and small details. However, a bilateral filter's capacity to improve an image's sharpness is constrained despite its widespread use. Despite guided image filtering being superior to BLF in many situations, it still has the same drawbacks as BLF [5].

For image sharpening, the unsharp masking technique (USM) is frequently utilized. The input image is processed using a high-pass filter (HPF) while being guided by an unsharp mask that is created by deducting the input image from its blurry counterpart. As a result, the output that has been sharpened has more contrast at the edges. Two downsides of the USM are covered in:

- The overshoot and undershoot artefacts appear at the margins of the sharpened image because of the significant boost of high contrast areas.
- HPF improves the input image's edges and amplifies the noise, which lowers the image's quality.

To further improve the USM's drawbacks applied the OUM, which lowers noise in homogeneous zones and produces sharpness that is comparable to USM. The locally adaptive optimal value was calculated using the Laplacian of Gaussian (LOG) filter as opposed to a fixed for HPF. The disadvantage of halo artefacts has not, however, been entirely eliminated. Because USM-based approaches produce overshoot and undershoot artefacts during the sharpening process, edge-preserving smoothing techniques cannot be used to accomplish the goal. An impressive piece of work in introduces an adaptive bilateral filter (ABF) using the shift-variant technique, which can both reduce noise and improve sharpness. Due to the addition of locally adjustable optimum parameters, this method was not practicable to fully adapt to existing BLF acceleration methods. It must be implemented using the two concentric loop brute-force method, whose computational cost is $O(|w|^2)$, where $|w|$ is the size of the filtering kernel [6].

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CHAPTER 9

IMAGE FILTERING USING WEIGHTED GUIDANCE

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In the majority of computational photography and image processing applications, edge preservation is necessary. The fusion of photos with varied exposures, texture transference from a source image to a destination image, tone mapping of HDR images, and detail improvement using multiple lighting techniques are a few instances of classic examples. A picture can be divided into two levels during the smoothing process: the base layer and the detail layer. The detail layers can either be noises or textures with repetitive patterns in a regular structure, whereas the base layer is composed of uniform regions with sharp edges [1]. There are two categories of edge-preserving image smoothing techniques:

- Global filters
- Local filters.

The regularisation term and data term serve as the foundation for the optimum performance criterion in global filters. The regularisation term provides the rebuilt image's level of smoothness, while the data term calculates how faithful the reconstructed image is to the original image that will be filtered. Despite the fact that optimization-based filters produce outstanding results, global filters have a significant computational cost [2].

Local filters, such as guided image filters (GIF), trilateral filters, and their accelerated equivalents, such as bilateral filters (BF), gradient domain extensions of these filters, and trilateral filters, are typically superior to global filters. It's easy. Sharp edges cannot be retained by local filters, in contrast to global optimization-based filters. Furthermore, applying a local filter to clean up the edges results in halo artefacts. By blurring the edges of the image, guided step in image analysis introduces halos of local filters (BF/GIF), whereas global optimization-based filters (WLS) disperse these blurs globally. That is evident. However, the Lagrange coefficients of the GIF and the spatial and area similarity characteristics of BF are fixed. The Lagrange parameter of the WLS filter changes to the content [3]. This helps to explain the primary cause of halo artefacts in BF/GIF. According to the bilateral filtering outlined in, the area matching parameters are appropriate for the filtering the content of the image. According to the source cited, changing the parameters can ruin the 3D convolution format and prevent the method from accelerating adaptive bilateral filters. As a result, a new local filter that retains edges and is as quick as adaptive image filtering was created. In order to create a weighted guided image filter, edge identification weighting was devised and implemented into guided image filtering (WIF). For the human eye, edges serve as an efficient and expressive stimulation. For the neuronal interpretation of the scene, this is crucial. As a result, the pixels on the boundaries are given greater weight than those near

the centre. There are numerous methods for calculating edge-aware weights. The edge identification weights are calculated using a local variance of 3x3 windows of the guide image's pixels. Using the box filter in the model, you can quickly determine the weight of all pixels. The local distribution of pixels in the guide image is normalised by the local delivery of all pixels. Normalized weights are required per WGIF design. By weighting, WGIF can achieve crisp edges similar to the global filter. Using WGIF, halo artefacts can be minimised or avoided. Both GIF and WGIF avoid gradient inversion. However, even the WGIF's complexity is equivalent to that of a GIF with N pixels, or $O(n)$ image. With WGIF, you may mix photographs with various exposures, enhance the features of individual images, and eliminate fog from individual images. The experimental findings demonstrate that, when compared to global optimization-based algorithms, the final algorithm offers images of higher visual quality. WGIF does not call for training, in contrast to AGIF and ABF, which both rely on it [4], [5].

Image Filtering Using Gradient-Domain Guiding: Many applications, including image processing, computational photography, and computer vision, call for edge-save smoothing. B. Enhanced image details, high dynamic range (HDR) image tone mapping, general upsampling, structural texture extraction, correspondence search. Edges Saved Utilize the smoothing process to preserve edges while enhancing the input image's fine details. By removing the smoothed picture from the input image, the amount of information in the input data may also be determined. A more detailed image will result by increasing the amount of detail. As a result, the edge-save smoothing approach can also be used to extend or decompose edges. There are two types of edge preservation degradation calculations. A local filter-based method like the Median Filter, Bilateral Filter (BLF), Accelerated Variant, and its iterative version is one option.

Guided image filters (GIF) and weighted guided image filters (WGIF), as well as total variation (TV), are global optimization-based methods with iterative contraction techniques. Additionally, there are extensions, weighted least squares (WLS), fast weighted least squares (FWLS), and L0 norm gradient minimization. Channels built on global optimization consistently deliver substantially superior outcomes. Addressing the optimization problem is required to arrive at each of these calculations. The integrity term and the regularisation smoothing term are combined to form the definition of an optimization problem. Using distinguishing fidelity or distinctive regularisation words, several procedures are put forward and various advances are constructed. Everything these global optimization-based calculations are typically quite time-consuming because many of these difficulties only become apparent after several cycles. The peculiar idea of texture Elimination filters were initially used in, and by comprehending a wholly diversity-based optimization issue, the organized textures of images were eliminated. The deployment using patches is displayed in. To remove the image's texture, a comparable surface channel was implemented. The standard bilateral filter was called multiple times within the rolling guide filter. The area in the photograph will be cleared as a result [6].

Local filters have a tendency to produce more useful filters, although the final image could have artefacts. Straightedge protection can also be achieved with the median filter, also referred to as the image denoising filter. Images can be filtered using weights from directional images using weighted median filters, although speed can be an issue. A peculiarly continuously time-weighted

median filter was developed in implemented. The introduction of a weighted median filter for high-speed use, as well as the fact that it was used at high speeds, made the weighed median filter more useful. To process images and maintain edges, bilateral filtering (BLF) combines range filtering with range filters. Although this is a straightforward and frequently-used weighted average filter, it can produce gradient inversion errors close to some edges when used to accentuate detail. A local linear model was used to create a guided image filter (GIF), which was created to prevent gradient reversal artefacts. The most typical way to interact with the pixel values in a window is to utilise a straight change. One of the fastest edge-preserving smoothing filters available, the GIF evaluates the final image by taking into account the architecture of a guide image, in contrast to other techniques. Taking everything into account, the presentation can only address the image from a few perspectives. As a consequence, certain halos might be visible in the pictures. This can be seen in a few GIF-based apps, and it is most obvious in the GIF's improved detailed visuals. The halos are the GIF's major flaw since they make the final images less visually clear. To minimise GIF halo artefacts, a weighted guided image filter (WGIF) was proposed in. An edge-aware compute was applied to the GIF's key term, improving how well the edges are protected in the final images and lowering the halo residues. However, for both the GIF and the WGIF, it is recommended to use first-order (gradient-domain) constraints to smooth the pixel values and zeroth-order (intensity domain) constraints to induce desired pixel values.

Because there are no obvious limitations to handling edges in either of them, they evaluate image filtering preparation and edge-preserving handle simultaneously, which makes them unable to preserve edges well in some situations. Human cortical cells may be built to respond to tall differentiation increases in their open areas, which are closely tied to angles in a picture. Gradients are often seen as being fundamental to how humans perceive images. In order to improve the similarity of the gradients of the input and output images, a current local filter with distinct requirements for processing edges is necessary [7], [8].

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CHAPTER 10

FILTERING USING A UNSHARP MASK

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The main goal of guided filtration is to anchor another guidance image as a structure precursor and transfer the structure of the guidance image to the target image. As a result, it minimises noise while maintaining crucial features like corners and edges. Traditional guided filtering uses hand-design functions to convey structure. It could be quite computationally expensive because of the halo aberrations and structure inconsistencies. In recent years, guided image filtering has evolved thanks to deep convolution neural networks. The current study directly predicts the filtered output by fusing feature information from the target and guiding images. The desired edges may not transfer properly with this form of structure transfer, and unwanted content may also be transmitted to the target image. Exhibited a revolutionary deep guided filtering technique. They estimated the two parameters of the original guided filtering formulation using a shared deep convolutional neural network rather than explicitly predicting the filtered image [1].

Even though their approach achieves outstanding performance for a wide range of operations, their network struggled to detangle the representations of two coefficients, leading to inconsistent architectures and halo aberrations. Introduced a new formulation for directed filtering based on that was only dependent on one coefficient and so more suited to resolving a single deep convolution neural network. They were able to create a simplified formulation for guided filtering by eliminating one of the two coefficients from the equation. As a result, there was just one parameter to estimate for doing edge improvement and unsharp masking. Instead of using the raw target and leading picture as the basis for their formulation, they relied on the filtering previous used in unsharp masking and generating unsharp masks on directed filtering [2]. The structural transference from the guidance image to the target image is controlled by a single coefficient. The coefficient controls how structures are conveyed by a single network from the guiding image to the target image. As a result, by training a network, it can generate numerous filtering outputs. Performance is improved by selecting alternate filtering results that strike a compromise between accuracy and efficiency [3].

Bilateral Filter:

In the majority of situations in computer vision and image processing, where filtration is the most fundamental operation, the bilateral filter is frequently used for edge-preserving smoothing. The input image values in the immediate vicinity of the same point during filtering determine the value of the filtered image at a given location. In instance, gaussian lowpass filtering calculates a weighted average of nearby pixel values. The weight decreases as one gets further from the neighborhood's hub. Even though there is a scientific and numerical reason for this weight loss

that makes intuitive sense, because the image changes gradually across space, it is fair to average together close pixels because their values are comparable. The signal is kept while the noise is averaged because the noise values that are damaging the pixels nearby are less correlated than the signal values. Lowpass filtering causes slow spatial variation expectations to break down close to the edges, causing blurring. In order to prevent averages across edges while maintaining averaging within smooth areas, numerous studies have been carried out to remove this undesired effect. After extensive investigation and testing, it was shown that anisotropic diffusion is a promising solution for minimizing the undesired effect [2]. In anisotropic diffusion, local picture variation is evaluated at each location, and pixel values are averaged from a neighbourhood whose shape and size depend on local variance. Diffusion methods are basically iterative since they average over huge areas by resolving partial differential equations. Iteration can be unstable depending on the computational architecture and efficiency [4].

Suggested a straightforward noniterative noniterative method for edge-preserving smoothing. Similar results could be obtained with a single layer of neuron-like devices that process one image at a time. Additionally, the method enables explicit implementation of any preferred notion of photographic distance, which is essential for colour image filtering. Near the margins of the image, colours are warped. If the three groups of color photos are independently filtered. Different bands differ in their levels of contrast and aren't all equal. Various bands are softened and have different contrasts in the real world [5]. The bilateral filtering method smoothes the image while keeping the edges sharp. Its roots can be found in the SUSAN framework of nonlinear Gaussian filters. After merging range and domain filtering, it now goes by that name. Several traits of the bilateral filter point to its efficacy, including:

- The formula is simple: each pixel is substituted with a weighting factor of the pixels in its immediate vicinity. This is significant because it makes it simpler to implement, adapt to application-specific requirements, and gain intuition about its behavior.
- To keep the features, it just utilizes two parameters: size and contrast.
- Because the effects of bilateral filters are not cumulative over numerous iterations, they can be utilized in a non-iterative manner, which makes parameter selection simpler.

Therefore, a bilaterally filter is a non-linear, non-iterative filtering that maintains sharp edges while smoothing low gradient regions. The weighted mean of each output pixel's neighbours is computed. Similar to other linear filters, the weight is derived using the spatial domain and the intensity range domain. Contrary to typical filters, which only average within their domain, bilateral filters are built on the idea of average over a variety of images. Two pixels can be similar in terms of having neighbouring values in a perceptually relevant way, or they can be close to each other in the sense of spatial proximity. The same concept as closeness in the range applies to proximity in the domain [6]. While bilateral filtering average picture values with diminishing weights as dissimilarity increases, domain filtering encourages proximity by weighting pixel values with diminishing coefficients as distance increases. Since the weights depend on the colour or intensity of the image, range filters are nonlinear. BLF is renowned for maintaining edges. As seen, range filtering alone skews the colormap of a picture. The bilateral filter is computationally expensive in comparison to edge-preserving smoothing. The staircase affect and gradient reversal

are the most prominent visual distortions brought on by the bilateral filter. The staircase effect describes intensity plateaus that produce images that look cartoonish. The term "gradient reversal" refers to the introduction of false edges within the image [7].

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CHAPTER 11

ADAPTIVE BILATERAL FILTER

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Image restoration is the process of extracting a high-quality actual image from a deteriorated version of that image using a specified model for the deterioration. In contrast to image enhancement methods, a particular model for the decomposition processes aims to enhance the appearance of a picture without reference. Combining a training-based technique with a useful framework can give the restoration algorithms free parameters some context. Sharpness/blur and noise can contribute to the degeneration of an image [1]. The degradation model employed in is described in detail in and comprises of a linear, transition blur followed by additive noise. A sharpening technique that enhances the high-frequency components of an image to make it appear sharp by using the unsharp mask filter (USM). Due to overshoot and interference, the amplified high-frequency components in the spatial domain produced unwanted ringing or halo effects undershoot. The goal of was to develop a sharpening algorithm that enhances edge slope without causing overshoot or undershoot, creates clean, crisp, and artifact-free edges, and improves edge slope to improve the overall appearance of the image. Additionally, they sought to address noise reduction. They then offered a unified approach to sharpening and noise reduction. The deteriorated image typically includes both noise and blur. It is not possible to employ a sharpening method that only accelerates noise-free photos. In order to preserve the edge properties of the image while still lowering Gaussian noise, edge-preserving noise reduction must be studied. Conventional linear filters work well in this regard. An important endeavour in this area has been the utilisation rank order data [2].

Due to the absence of spatial ordered, rank order filtering do not effectively suppress Gaussian noise and do not maintain the frequency-selective characteristics of linear filters. A hybrid system that incorporates both linearity and rank order filtering has been proposed to make advantage of both strategies. The theoretical foundation of the bilateral filter was published in several publications, which connected it to the traditional method of noise reduction. A bilateral filter is produced by the Bayesian approach when a new penalty term is introduced. A bilateral filter for piece-wise linear signals was implemented, and he proposed techniques for accelerating bilateral filtering based on his discoveries. By incorporating a high-pass filter into the conventional bilateral filter, bilateral filters can perform both noise reduction and sharpening. This is similar to how anisotropic diffusion works. Pixels that are higher than a specified high-pass threshold are subject to the USM sharpening filter.

As a result, it creates halo artefacts that resemble those from the USM filter. On the other hand, sharpening algorithms have gotten much less consideration than de-noising methods. USM is still the most used sharpening tool in spite of this drawback. First, the USM ads overshoot and underperform to the edges of the image to sharpen it, resulting in halo artefacts. Second, the USM

will intensify noise in smooth areas when applied to a noisy image, significantly decreasing image quality. Slope restoration techniques have been suggested to handle the first problem. To enhance the slope of edges, Das and Rangayyan developed an edge sharpness differentiation strategy. The method in first determines the edge's normal orientation before applying a 1-D operator to the edge pixel to increase the steepness of edge transitions. Their method was shown to be limited to bi-level, artificial images after testing [3]. The luminance transient improvement (LTI) technique was introduced by Tegenbosch et al. It involves sharpening the image using a linear sharpening approach (such as USM), detecting the 1-D edges profiles, and finally clipping between the start and finish levels of the edges to reduce overshoot and noise. To implement the 1-D technique in a 2-D image, three different methods are used:

- Applying LTI in the direction of the edge normal, which necessitates determining the local edge orientation
- Use LTI in two directions: first, horizontally, and then vertically.
- Running LTI in parallel in both the vertical and horizontal axes, integrating the outcomes using a weighed total based on edge alignment.
 - produces the best image quality but requires significant computational resources;
 - Strikes the optimum compromise between image quality and computing cost, but it has the drawbacks of staircase artefacts and inhomogeneous augmentation [4], [5].

Filtering For Diffusion:

Many problems in computer vision and image processing involve oriented flow-like structures. However, they are also helpful in forensic fingerprint analysis. They are used in the field of texture analysis, such as in the automatic grading of fabrics or wood surfaces. They can be found in a variety of scientific imaging problems, such as fluid dynamics and meteorology, not to mention in medical imaging, such as the study of bone trabecular structure. Interestingly, human vision abilities like perceptual grouping encompass tasks like gap filling and finishing interrupted lines. Further evidence that accentuating flow-like structures can produce fascinating effects can be found in the widespread appeal of paintings like Munch and van Gogh. Several of the methods, such as Gabor filters and steerable filters, are analogous to the structural tensor. Less emphasis has been paid to the topic of how to enhance flow-like patterns. Images of the trabecular bone or fingerprint are usually of poor quality. In such cases, it would be excellent to have a tool that enhances the quality of flow-like structures while preserving semantically significant singularities, such as fingerprint details. Applications for fluid dynamics and fabric grading, for instance It is also helpful to multiscalely simplify the original image by integrating it in a scale-space to produce a coarser, more comprehensive perspective of the main flow-like elements. Furthermore, in such a scale-space, structure coherence should be taken into account by smoothing mostly parallel to their preferred direction rather than parallel to it. Such an approach should be relevant to data sets of any size because flow-like characteristics may be detected in higher-dimensional data sets, such as 3-D pictures of trabecular bones [6].

By providing an m-dimensional magnitude for enhancing coherent architectures, previous problems were solved in. The fundamental idea was to enhance edge detection by integrating an edge detector with a nonlinear diffusion mechanism. It mixes a nonlinear diffusion operation with

the structure tensor approach, a widely used method for characterising flow-like structures. This transforms a technique for researching currently resides into a technique for enhancing and streamlining them. Employs a dissemination tensor rather than a scalar-valued friction coefficient to control the process, in contrast to most nonlinear dispersion filters. By tailoring the diffusion process to the location as well as the smoothness in various directions, true anisotropic behaviour is made possible. According to the diffusion equation in classical diffusion, particles with varying densities dispersed over space redistribute freely over time. Up till the particles find equilibrium, this cycle is repeated. When all of the particles are distributed uniformly inside of a closed container, this equilibrium is reached. The following are some of the procedure's key components:

- Because there are always the same number of elements inside the container, the average concentration of the elements inside the container never changes.
- The local densities will never be higher than the initial maximum density or lower than the initial lowest density at any time because diffusion transports particle from higher to lower densities [7].

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CHAPTER 12

ANIMAL-GUIDED FILTERING

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The majority of image processing & computer vision tasks employ the structural data hidden inside images and videos. As a result of the nature of visual input, traditional filtering techniques, on the other hand, may easily lose information. The presence of noise in images is related to the high-frequency information that is sent by visual features like edges and textures. When standard linear time-invariant (LTI) filters are used to minimize noise, the details are lost, resulting in visual blurring. It can be difficult to distinguish textural information from the edges because of the overlapping frequency content [1]. To overcome the drawbacks of conventional filters, which use spatial information to prevent filtering near edges while effectively smoothing the remainder of the image, numerous researchers have created edge-preserving filtering algorithms. Edge-preserving filtering have proven effective in a variety of applications despite having quite varied formulae. Edge-preserving filtering are used to separate images into different scales for tone mapping processing. For applications that need to transfer detail from one image to another, edge-preserving filters are crucial because they isolate image textures from their edges. These last two applications frequently employ non-adaptive deconstruction, which can produce artefacts like haloes. Image matting is not possible because LTI filters demand a distinct backdrop and foreground [2]. When the environment of binary labelling was expanded to include numerous discrete labels, as in segmented concerns, the same filter needs emerged. When filtering cost maps, the dependability of the produced maps reduces information transmission across edge boundaries and probability maps. These shortcomings highlight the necessity of edge-aware filtering. Edge-aware processing has helped applications including haze removal, up sampling, currently processing, and others.

Considering the origins of the edge-preserving model of today. The diffusion filtering technique was one of the earliest ones used. The asymmetrical diffusion model is among the most well-known applications of this strategy. In the anisotropic diffusion model, information is represented by pixel intensities, and except for significant discontinuities that result in locality-specific blurring, they are allowed to spread across the image. The bilateral filter and its variations are two discrete filtering techniques that have mostly been affected by the diffusion filter concept. Structure-transferring filters like guided filter diffusion models have replaced advanced optimization-based techniques like weighted least squares (WLS) and weighted-l1 filters. For high-quality filtering, the aforementioned optimization-based approach has a large computational cost. These methods have been sped up by recent advancements in optimization-based filtering, but they depend on extensive iterative computations that are challenging to implement in hardware. As they only process a small portion of the image, guided filters, on the other hand, are computationally effective [3].

Due to their simplicity and speed, they are computationally effective for applications requiring weak filtering, but they fall short under conditions requiring stronger filtering. The guided filter and its offspring either fail to function properly or produce extremely evident artefacts. According to a number of specialists, directed filters have additional problem in the context of mutual structures in addition to filtering strength. Structures that were inconsistent between the input image and the guide picture could not be handled by guided filters. In such cases, the guided filter preserves the detail of the input image even while the comparable section in the guide image is absolutely smooth [2]. A filter that is based on the original average filter and improves filtering quality, especially at higher settings, while maintaining the computational economy of the guided filter. The guided filter is intended to function as a personality isotropic diffusion process at the patch level. In terms of the overall image, this is comparable to a region-dependent differential diffusion filter. Using a local cost of smoothness, the author suggests reformulating the guided filter's averaging step in order to address its flaws. The filter employed in, called Anisotropic Guided Filter (AnisGF), effectively applies an approximatively region-selective diffusion process to the image. The anisotropic guided filter performs under a larger range of conditions than the traditional guided filter while maintaining $O(n)$ complexity [4].

Filtering For Anisotropic Diffusion: The heat diffusion solution served as the foundation for the most well-known nonlinear approach, which involved developing a diffusion functional that was reliant on the gradients of the image's norm. As a result, the diffusion functional had the effect of decreasing diffusion at bigger gradients. Examples of applications include forensic imaging, astronomical imaging, medical imaging, and satellite photography. As a result, numerous researchers have suggested various approaches. Substituting a diffusion matrix for a scalar. An anisotropic diffusion model in which the local orientation of image features regulates diffusion. A PMAD filter variation called SRAD that was based on the speckle noise model and used the local data of the image to control the diffusion. A detail-preserving anisotropic diffusion (DPAD) filter that evaluates the noise using the mode of the distribution of local statistics throughout the entire image is used to accurately apply the SRAD for multiplicative noise. Numerous studies on fresh, well-posed equations have been conducted recently. An edge indicator that can distinguish edges from flat and ramp regions, a ramp-preserving PMAD model based on differential curvature. Since smoothing is an iterative process, it is challenging to determine the ideal stopping time without producing an excessively smoothed result. There have been many different estimating methods for this parameter as a result. Anisotropic diffusion filter with an automated stopping standard that takes the edge quality into account [5].

Robust Anisotropic Diffusion: The theoretical and applied understanding of robust anisotropic diffusion and other image-enhancing technologies has been extensively studied. It is an elegant description of anisotropic diffusion. The goal of research in this field has been to better understand the mathematical structure of anisotropic diffusion and related finite difference formulations, as well as to develop related well-posed and stable equations, extend and reconfigure anisotropic diffusion for quick and accurate implementations, modify the diffusion equations for particular applications, and examine the interactions between contrast enhancement and other image processing techniques. A statistical analysis of anisotropic diffusion, namely from the perspective

of reliable statistics. It is shown that a resilient method is comparable to forecasting a piecewise polynomial picture from a noisy input image.

The error norm & influence function in the robust estimation paradigm are closely related to the "edge-stopping" function in the anisotropic diffusion equation. They developed a new "edge-stopping" function based on Tukey's biweight robust error standard, which conserves sharper boundaries than previous formulations and enhances the diffusion's automated stopping. They used various robust error norms, and thus distinct "edge-stopping" functional areas, using robust statistical explanation of anisotropic diffusion. Robust statistical interpreting is a technique for identifying the boundaries or boundaries between the piecewise constant regions of an image smoothed with anisotropic diffusion. In a robust estimation paradigm, the boundary between both the piecewise constant areas are referred to as "outliers". In a smoothed image, outliers are handled as edges, making them simple to identify. For a particular class of robust norms, anisotropic diffusion is equivalent to normalisation with an explicit line process. By include constraints in the Perona-Malik diffusion equation, a line-process formulation has the advantage of potentially limiting how the edges are organised spatially, which qualitatively enhances edge continuity [6].

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CHAPTER 13

APPLICATIONS OF IMAGE AND SAND DUST

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Improving an Image with Sand Dust

In sand storm images, low contrast and a strong colour cast caused by sand particles are frequent issues. An outdoor computer vision system will perform significantly worse as a result. This study suggests a sand dust picture improvement solution based on halo-reduced dark channel prior (DCP) dehazing to address these problems. Grey world theory-based colour correction in the LAB colour space, halo-reduced DCP dehazing for dust removal, and contrast trying to stretch in the LAB colour space with a gamma function-improved contrast-limited adaptive histogram equalisation (CLAHE) that employs a guided filter to lessen histogram equalisation artefacts are all used [1]. The suggested method may successfully remove the general fading tone and dust haze effect, leaving a clean image with normal visual colours, according to tests on a large number of real photographs of sand dust. Due to the dispersion and absorption of light rays by dust particles, images taken during sandstorms typically show low contrast, noise, and colour aberrations. Red and orange light are absorbed by sand dust particles much more slowly than blue and green light. The consequence is a yellowish tone in the photograph. Dust also absorbs light, which reduces the energy of light beams and causes underexposed photographs. This has an adverse effect on outdoor computer vision systems. Therefore, a technique for enhancing sand dust images for applications in computer vision is critical [2].

Numerous research have been published to solve this issue, including ones that stretch picture contrast using histogram equalisation and its variants, that increase image contrast and brightness using Retinex-based methods, and that treat the issue of sand dust enhancement as a dehazing problem. Although there are different levels of effectiveness for picture contrast enhancement techniques, almost all of the methods mentioned above have the following limitations. Scenes with significant depth of field shifts and drastically diminished contrast are sometimes unrecoverable using histogram equalisation and Retinex-based techniques, which are not based on a physical model. It is typical to assume that the ambient lighting is constant all through the hazy imaging model. As the consequence, to calculate the amount of white ambient light, the brightest area of the image is used. On the other side, sand dust scenes frequently feature a lot of yellow tones, creating a variety of unevenly coloured ambient illumination. This invalidates some picture priors and leads to inaccurate assessment of ambient light. The dark channel prior, for instance, suggests that the scene's black items are represented by its lowest intensity pixels. This method is excellent for hazy photographs, but it cannot be used directly on sand dust scenes because the lowest intensity is affected by the overall yellow tone. In order to overcome the aforementioned issues,

this work proposes a halo-reduced DCP dehazing-based method for sand dust image enhancement. the following observations serve as inspiration for method [3].

- Air dispersion and absorption are frequent in images of sand dust, just as they are in images of haze.
- Color makes the distinction between a sand particle image and a hazed image very clear. If we scan a similar hazy colour dust image, we can use the current dehazing technique to get rid of the haze from the dust.
- Low brightness in a DCP dehazed image makes it challenging to detect some visual details.

The three elements of the approach were developed based on the aforementioned analysis, in the following order: grey world-based colour correction in the LAB colour space, dust removal using a halo decreased DCP dehazing method, and contrast stretching in the LAB colour space using a Gamma function improved CLAHE [4].

- The proposed approach produces remarkable colour integrity, contrast, and brightness, according to tests with actual sand dust photographs.
- An image colour correcting technique based on the grey world is suggested, and it is based on the LAB colour space. The chromatic component a and b can be altered to create a natural-looking image.
- Before dehazing, the dust haze was eliminated using a halo-reduced dark channel.

Removal of IR Strip Noise

Typical strip noise can be seen in infrared images. Infrared images with poor texture have noise that is difficult to remove without sacrificing fine image details. Here, we describe a single-image approach for precisely and blur-free eliminating strip-type noise from infrared images. Edge-preserving horizontal image smoothing is first accomplished using a 1-D row guided filter. Strip noise and a sizable quantity of image detail may be detected in the reconstructed high-frequency image area. We identified a local linear relationship among infrared data and strip noise of images within a column using a thermal calibration experiment. A 1D column guided filter used on the retrieved high-frequency signals and based on the created strip noise behavioural model accurately separates the strip noise components [5].

In order to eliminate strips from raw infrared images without distorting image detail, the expected noise components are removed. Using recorded infrared images, the performance of the suggested method is thoroughly examined and contrasted to traditional 1D and 2D denoising methods. Military and civilian uses for infrared imaging technologies include thermal imaging, video surveillance, robotics, astronomy, night vision, fire detection. However, the performance of an infrared imaging system is significantly impacted by the spatial nonuniformity of the focal-plane array (FPA) detectors. These inconsistencies in FPA detectors cause visible and time-dependent Fixed-Pattern-Noise (FPN), which significantly lowers the quality of obtained infrared images. Because resolving infrared detector hardware issues is challenging, our study aims to develop efficient image processing techniques to make up for these issues. Uncooled long-wave infrared (LWIR) imaging systems exhibit strip noise in acquired infrared images as a result of nonlinear infrared detector behaviour and a lack of column cross-calibration. The high-frequency visual

distortions that happen are very noticeable to human observers. This type of sophisticated FPN is challenging to eliminate using conventional calibration-based or scene-based Nonuniformity Correction (NUC) procedures. There are numerous excellent photo denoising techniques that have been proposed in the realm of computer vision. Contrarily, the majority of 2D denoising algorithms always eliminate little details from the input images, which is an issue for infrared photos with poor texture. As targets with little temperature changes (such as pedestrians and road signs) become more difficult to detect in the output after smoothing. (b). A number of research have discussed methods for reducing 1D stripe noise in infrared photographs. These methods often employ a threshold setting that distinguishes between stripe noise and image edges in order to prevent edge blurring. However, this approach will mistakenly remove the weak image borders while preserving the strong stripe noise. The approach discussed combines pixels from the same readout channel (for example, within a column) and uses an offset correction model to normalise the outputs of these channels so that pixels from adjacent columns generate results that are similar.

Although are global model-based techniques, they produce good de-stripping results. This is because locally varying strip noise cannot be sufficiently compensated for by column-wise fixed correction factors. Additionally, to reduce strip noise, the majority of commercial infrared cameras employ temporal image smoothing; nevertheless, this processing results in image blurring when applied to a dynamic scene (such as one with moving objects). Stripe reduction can be accomplished using the column-wise Midway Histogram Equalization (MHE) technique, according to Tendero et al. These methods successfully lessen stripe noise without distorting fine image features. On the other hand, MHE techniques change the brightness of pixels inside a column, which prevents them from entirely eliminating strip noise and usually yields unfavourable image artefacts. Additionally, column-based and inverse histogram calculations are required for MHE, neither of which can be implemented in real-time hardware. Our research's objective is to create a hardware real-time implementable single-image processing technique that can effectively reduce strip-type spatial nonuniformity in infrared images [6].

To remove vertical strips, we smooth the image horizontally while maintaining the border using a 1D row guided filter. The 1D row guided filter's guiding images and the raw infrared data are both used as input in this step. On the other hand, the noise component is not present in the edge-preserving guided filter, which nonetheless oversmooths low-textured infrared images. In order to obtain the high-frequency components related to image texture and other factors, another processing step is necessary. A thermal calibration experiment has revealed that a local linear model can be utilized to predict the relationship between strip noise and infrared image data for sensors inside a column. With the help of this ground-breaking local linear noise behavioural model, strip noise can be separated with accuracy from high-frequency signals produced by visual texture. A modified 1D column guided filter can be used to effectively solve these decomposition issues. The column guided filter receives as input the extracted high-frequency picture component, which consists of strip noise and texture, and computes the strip noise term by taking into account the infrared responses of pixels within a column. To prevent unintentional image blurring, only the estimated strip noise from the original infrared image is eliminated, leaving the fine features unaltered [7], [8].

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