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DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING

COURSE NAME : 19EC513 – IMAGE PROCESSING AND COMPUTER VISION
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Unit II- IMAGE ENHANCEMENT AND RESTORATION

Topic: Image Enhancement and Histogram processing



Image Enhancement : Histogram processing



In digital image processing, the histogram is used for graphical representation of a digital image. A graph is a plot by the number of pixels for each tonal value. Nowadays, image histogram is present in digital cameras. Photographers use them to see the distribution of tones captured.

In a graph, the horizontal axis of the graph is used to represent tonal variaions whereas the vertical axis is used to represent the number of pixels in that particular pixel. Black and dark areas are represented in the left side of the horizontal axis, medium grey color is represented in the middle, and the vertical axis represents the size of the area.





Histogram of the above scenery





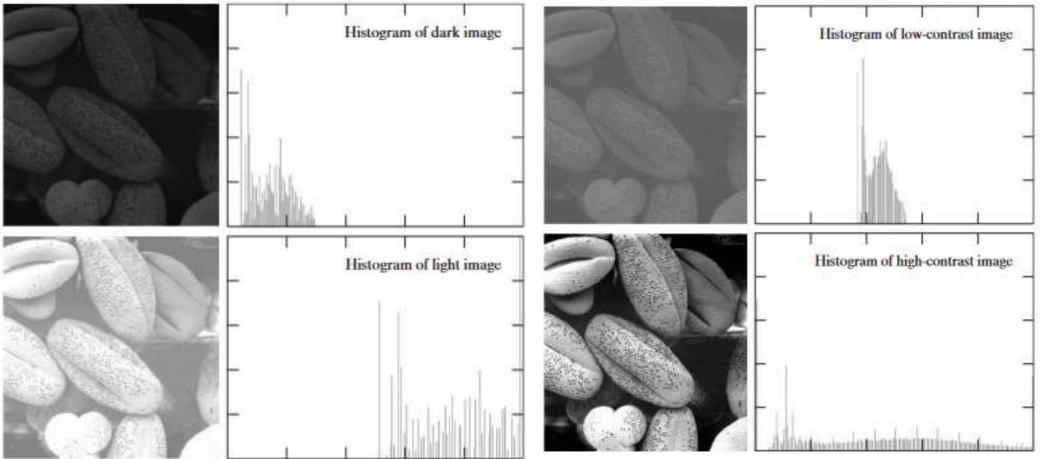


FIGURE 3.16 Four basic image types: dark, light, low contrast, high contrast, and their corresponding histograms.



Applications of Histograms



- 1.In digital image processing, histograms are used for simple calculations in software.
- 2.It is used to analyze an image. Properties of an image can be predicted by the detailed study of the histogram.
- 3. The brightness of the image can be adjusted by having the details of its histogram.
- 4. The contrast of the image can be adjusted according to the need by having details of the x-axis of a histogram.
- 5.It is used for image equalization. Gray level intensities are expanded along the x-axis to produce a high contrast image.
- 6. Histograms are used in thresholding as it improves the appearance of the image.
- 7.If we have input and output histogram of an image, we can determine which type of transformation is applied in the algorithm.

Histogram Processing Techniques

In Histogram sliding, the complete histogram is shifted towards rightwards or leftwards. When a histogram is shifted towards the right or left, clear changes are seen in the brightness of the image. The brightness of the image is defined by the intensity of light which is emitted by a particular light source.







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