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**Instructions:**

1. This is a closed-book, closed-notes test.
2. Calculators and other electronic devices are not permitted.
3. Answer all five questions.
4. Total marks = 20.
5. Time permitted = 90 minutes.

**Question 1:** Explain the notion of simultaneous contrast with a figure and an equation.  
Explain the notion of just-noticeable difference.

(3 marks)

**Question 2:** Write detailed mathematical expressions to represent (a) the linear convolution and (b) the correlation of a digital image,  $f(m, n)$ , of size  $M \times N$  pixels, with another digital image,  $g(m, n)$ , of size  $P \times Q$  pixels.

What is the size of the result in each case?

Explain the similarities and differences between the two operations.

(5 marks)

**Question 3:** Give the definitions of the normalized mean squared error (NMSE) and the perceptual mean squared error (PMSE) to compare two images,  $f(m, n)$  and  $g(m, n)$ , each of size  $M \times N$  pixels.

Explain the differences between NMSE and PMSE, and indicate their relative advantages or disadvantages.

(3 marks)

**Question 4:** You are given a digital image of size  $2 \times 2$  pixels,

$$f(m, n) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (1)$$

Convert the image into a vector  $\mathbf{f}$  by row or column ordering.

Write the equations or formulas to calculate the total energy of the image using (a) the array format,  $f(m, n)$ , (b) the dot or inner product of the vector  $\mathbf{f}$  with itself, and (c) the outer product of the vector  $\mathbf{f}$  with itself.

Calculate the energy of the image using each of the three methods.

(4 marks)

**Question 5:** Give a step-by-step algorithm for the application of the ideal lowpass filter to a digital image in the Fourier domain.

Discuss the applications, advantages, and disadvantages of the method.

(5 marks)

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