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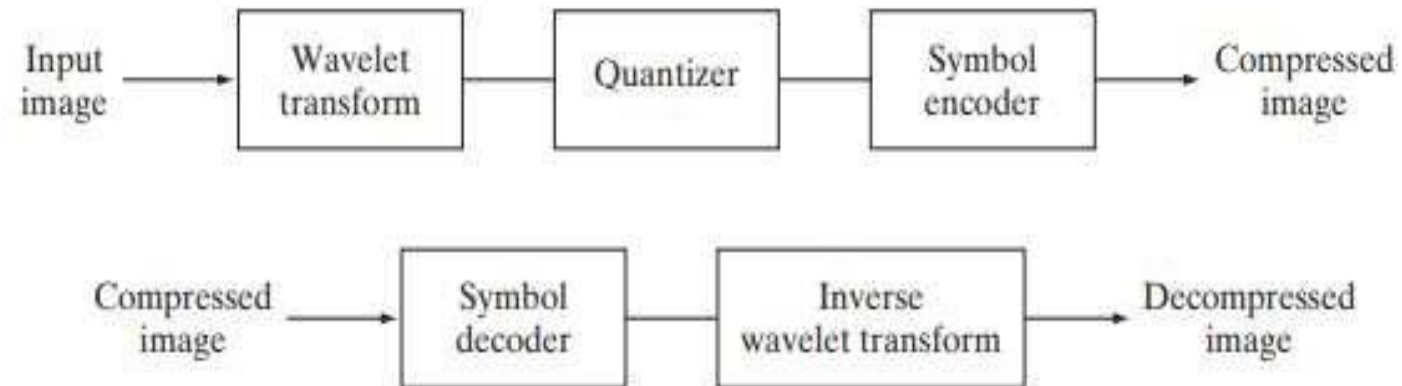
Unit III- IMAGE COMPRESSION AND IMAGE SEGMENTATION

Topic : Wavelet coding

WAVELET CODING

Wavelet coding is a technique used in image processing for efficient image compression and encoding. It involves transforming the image into a wavelet domain, where it can be represented in a more compact form, allowing for better compression while preserving important image details.

FIGURE: A wavelet coding system: (a) encoder; (b) decoder.





WAVELET CODING ENCODER & DECODER

This is the original image that needs to be compressed. It is usually represented as a matrix of pixel intensity values.

Wavelet Transform:

Purpose: The wavelet transform decomposes the image into different frequency components. It does this by applying a series of filters (wavelets) to the image.

How It Works: The image is passed through high-pass and low-pass filters to separate it into various sub-bands. These sub-bands correspond to different levels of detail in the image (e.g., edges, textures).

Output: The output of this stage is a set of wavelet coefficients that represent the image in the wavelet domain. These coefficients are typically organized into sub-bands, such as:

LL (Low-Low): Represents the approximation or coarse details of the image.

LH (Low-High): Captures the vertical details (horizontal edges).

HL (High-Low): Captures the horizontal details (vertical edges).

HH (High-High): Captures the diagonal details.



WAVELET CODING ENCODER & DECODER

Quantization:

Purpose: Quantization reduces the precision of the wavelet coefficients, which decreases the amount of data needed to represent the image.

How It Works: The wavelet coefficients are mapped to a smaller set of values. This can be done by dividing the coefficients by a step size and rounding to the nearest integer. The larger the step size, the more data is lost, but the higher the compression rate.

Output: The output of this stage is a set of quantized coefficients that are more compact but less precise than the original wavelet coefficients.

Encoding:

Purpose: The encoding stage further compresses the quantized coefficients using various coding techniques to achieve efficient data storage or transmission.

How It Works: Common encoding techniques include:

Run-length Encoding (RLE): Compresses sequences of repeated values.

Huffman Coding: Assigns shorter codes to more frequent values and longer codes to less frequent values.

Arithmetic Coding: Represents entire sequences of symbols with a single code based on their probabilities.

Output: The final output is a compressed image file that is significantly smaller in size than the original image.



ADVANTAGES & APPLICATIONS

- **High Compression Ratios:** Wavelet coding can achieve high compression ratios with minimal loss of image quality, making it suitable for applications like JPEG2000.
- **Scalability:** Images compressed with wavelet coding can be decoded at different resolutions, which is useful for applications where images need to be viewed at varying levels of detail.
- **Error Resilience:** Wavelet coding is more robust to errors compared to traditional methods like JPEG, making it ideal for transmission over noisy channels.

Applications:

- **JPEG2000:** A popular image compression standard that uses wavelet coding, offering better quality at lower bit rates compared to the traditional JPEG standard.
- **Medical Imaging:** Wavelet coding is used in compressing medical images (e.g., CT scans, MRI) where preserving image quality is crucial.
- **Remote Sensing:** Satellite images are often compressed using wavelet coding to efficiently store and transmit large amounts of data.



Wavelet Transform:

- A mathematical tool that decomposes an image into different frequency components.
- Unlike Fourier transform, which only provides frequency information, wavelet transform provides both frequency and spatial information, making it particularly useful for analyzing localized features in an image.

Multi-Resolution Analysis:

Wavelet transform allows for multi-resolution analysis, meaning the image can be analyzed at various levels of detail.

High-frequency components correspond to fine details (e.g., edges), while low-frequency components correspond to the general structure of the image.



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