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1. [6 pt] Briefly describe the role of image processing in angiography. How does angiography differ from a CAT scan?
2. [6 pt] The median,  $\zeta$ , of a set of numbers is such that half the values in the set are below  $\zeta$  and the other half are above it. For example, the median of the set of values  $\{2, 3, 8, 20, 21, 25, 31\}$  is 20. Show that an operator that computes the median of a subimage area,  $S$ , is nonlinear. Recall that a function is linear if it can be described by  $O(n)$ .

3. [6+4 pt] Consider two 8-bit images whose intensity levels span the full range  $[0,255]$ .
- (a) Discuss the limiting effect of repeatedly subtracting image (2) from image (1). Assume that the result is represented also in eight bits.
  - (b) Would reversing the order of the images yield a different result?
4. [5+5 pt] Computing histograms
- (a) What effect would setting to zero the lower-order bit planes have on the histogram of an image in general?
  - (b) What would be the effect on the histogram if we set to zero the higher-order bit-planes instead?

5. [10 pt] Suppose that a digital image is subjected to histogram equalization. Show that a second pass of histogram equalization (on the histogram-equalized image) will produce exactly the same results as the first pass.