

# Comparative Study of Wavelet Adaptive Windowing Method an Effective Technique for Tumor Detection in Mammilla (Bosom)

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**Abstract:** *Mammography is the study of the breast using x rays. The original test is called a mammogram. It is an x ray of the breast which shows the fatty and glandular tissue. A diagnostic mammogram is for evaluation of abnormalities in women. The purpose of screening mammography is breast cancer detection. Mammography generally consists of two subsystems. One is a tumor-mass detection system and the other is a clustered-micro calcification detection system. In this paper, by using wavelet based adaptive windowing technique, the breast tumour can be highlighted. Techniques are goes under three progressive steps; Coarse segmentation, Fine segmentation and intensity adjustment. First step can be performed by using wavelet based histogram thresholding where, by using 1D wavelet based analysis, the threshold value is chosen. Fine segmentation can be done by segmenting the image into finite number of big and small windows then threshold value has been obtained by calculating the mean, maximum and minimum pixel values for the windows based on that threshold values the shady areas have been segmented. Preprocessing step is applied to improve the quality of an image before implementing the proposed technique. Mini MIAS database shows that the proposed technique is capable of detecting tumors of very graze shapes*

**Keywords:** wavelet based Thresholding, breast cancer, mammography, window based Thresholding, segmentation.

## 1. Introduction

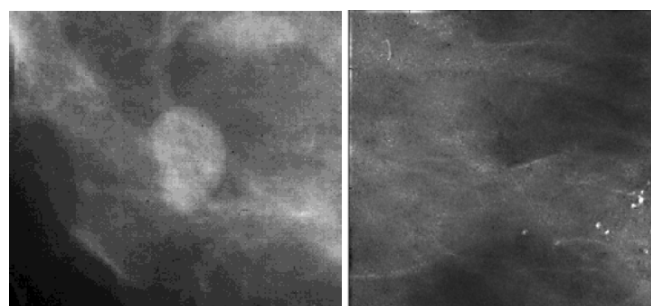
Breast cancer is world most common cancer which present in women incidence of breast cancer is rising rapidly in entire world specifically countries like India. Because most of the women's in India are now working in various fields which leads them near to breast cancer, like giving birth to child at late age, one child maximum likewise affect there life. Cancer rates are out of 8, 1 women in America and out of 13, 1 women in Australia and rate of affected women is increasing day by day, due to exposure of modern society habit especially in India due to this fact we need to detect this disease in early stage of life, The appearance of breast cancer are very subtle in their early stages which are not easily recognized by any physician .it is very important for patient to diagnose and give early treatment.

There are three methods of detecting breast cancer at their early stages:

- First method is Mammography i.e. X-ray of breast
- Second method is to examine breast via doctor who is cancer specialist.
- Third method is to self-examine own breast

The purpose of screening mammography is breast cancer detection .A screening test according to elaboration is used for patients without any symptoms in order to detect disease as early as possible; it is notices that the mammography analysis can find out breast cancer Two year before any physician or particular suspect can feel. Physician can check the presence of micro calcification and other abnormalities which are connected to mammilla; recent launch digital

mammography and computer aided system automatically enhance mammography for easily checking out tiny masses/calcification. Figure of masses and calcification is shown in figure 1.



**Figure 1:** Masses and micro calcification

Computer aided Diagnosis for mammography can be a replacement of manual screening to increase the effectiveness of cancer detection in breast. Manual screening is labor intensive in nature because it needs multiple results for same simple mammograms in order to increase reliabilities of the diagnosis. A recent review of those research efforts can be found in [7]. Mammography is very efficient and perfect method for detecting cancer in women's breast and it is very sensitive to the micro calcification which is the main property of early breast cancer and detection of tumor mass is second major part of breast cancer detection. Mammography generally consists of two subsystems. One is a tumor-mass detection system and the other is a clustered-micro calcification detection system. Also for detecting or classifying tumors some other characteristics are also referred like:

- Malignant lesion
- Bening lesion.

In this paper, the steps are structured as follows. Section 2, describes the literature review Section 3 describe comparative study section 4 describe about the results. Section 5 conclusion, Finally, Section 6 discusses the output results.

## 2. Literature review

According to Kai Hu, Xieping Gao, and Fei Li ,the lesions are of two type which are mostly present in breast first one is micro calcification and second is space occupying in the paper [I] author suggest new algorithm name novel algorithm to detect suspicious area in mammograms. This Algorithm use a combinational approach for segmentation and representation of mammogram by using operation like adaptive global thresholding segmentation and adaptive local thresholding segmentation on a multi resolution representation .[II] In this paper the author suggest latest method for detecting micro calcification in digital mammograms of breast .here author select region of interest from whole area by using adaptive thresholding, after this process they found 4 output on which another DOG filter is used to reduce false positive rate. Senior Member of IEEE introduced new techniques for detecting tumors in digital mammograms using concentric morphology model. This technique is based on the concentric layer surrounded by a focal area with suspicious characteristics. The proposed detection scheme presented in [III] is based on rule-based algorithm followed by a series of observations form on a group of mammograms that contain malignant masses. The detection scheme depends on a morphological model of breast cancer growth that is relevant to masses.

Author specially focuses on two aspect here in paper [IV] first is how to detect tumors as suspicious region and second is how to detect characteristics which defined malignant lesion in mammograms. For this he uses unique adaptive filter called Iris filter which it is very effective filter used to enhance approximate of mammograms.in [V] author suggest novel algorithm for image de noising and exactness based on dyadic wavelet processing scheme. de noising means removing noise from mammogram so that we get an image in clear way on which we apply another kind of operation to get suspicious area. Denoising phase is based on locala noise variance estimation and microcalcification uses adaptive tuning of enhancement degree, the specialty of this paper is that it uses the same novel algorithm for processing the image o detect both micro calcification and suspicious masses. Computer system for detection and classification of specific type of lesion in mammila is described in [VI] ,here analysis perform in two stages first one is system identifies pixel which are group together that may be a kind of tumor and next is to detect grouping pixel which are related to classification [VII] Author paper Elaborate multi scale techniques working in connection with other processing techniques to detect abnormal signatures and cueing that

are main seed to diagnostic detection and recognition of micro calcification clusters in mammila. This application has an innovative detection algorithm that takes advantage of multi resolution analysis and assists radiologists looking for clusters of micro calcifications in digitized mammograms. The algorithm presented in this paper successfully limits the false positives.

## 3. Comparative study

For detecting any malignant lesion in digital mammilla some steps are performed to get correct result these stages are as follows:

Stage 1:-Pre-processing

Stage2:- Segmentation

Stage 3:- Detection.

Figure 1 shows the block diagram of algorithm.

### Stages:

#### Preprocessing

In preprocessing stage of this paper normalization of image is performed in this mammograms are divided into four regions and on each level they applied histogram based adaptive threshold method. which created a histogram at different level out of that threshold value one threshold is selected then on that apply window based adaptive threshold value which contain small and large window, and select a lesion which are similar to the threshold value.by using this [1] we can separate out the defaulter area and get PDF(power density function) .[2],in preprocessing segmentation is performed to find out breast cancer because suspicious micro calcification are reside in breast area, the purpose of this step is to separate out the breast area from background ,here because of this procedure unnecessary calculation at background is avoided, here the author take a set of element which represent a pixel value which present in mammogram. This technique mention in [3] is depends on concentric layers encapsulating a focal area with suspicious morphological characteristics. Image analysis of mammograms is effective for two reasons: 1) the size of image and 2) complexity of image.in preprocessing author perform breast region segmentation and breast region granulation .in first case in order to minimizing the complexity factor of calculation author perform two main step first it reduces the size of image by factor 5 and second is to segment that image because once it reduce the size of image the image mostly contain background data. Histogram analysis is most suitable operation for segmentation. The next preprocessing step is breast region granulation and removal of scattered pixels in image this step also used to reduce large amount of mammilla data while maintaining mammographic information that which are critical and useful for the next stage. [4] The CAD system is used for fully digital mammography, the software system consists of both the tumor detection and clustered micro calcification detection system. in preprocessing step the IRIS filter is used to filter a noise from image ,iris filter are not applied directly

on the image rather than it is applied to the gradient vector field  $g(x,y)$  of any image  $(x,y)$ . The output produced by this process belongs in the range of 1 to -1. If the gradient vector

field is stable then the filter shows zero output. The theoretical result of filter is shown in figure 4. This is defined as a region whose intensity is concentric.

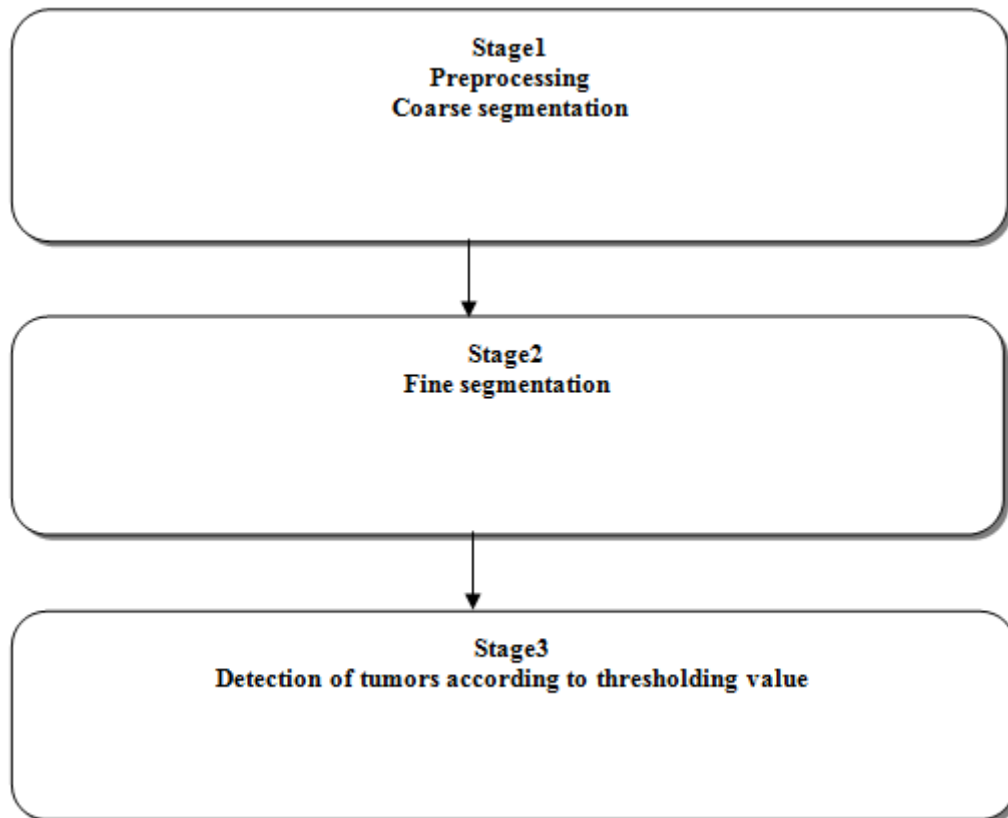
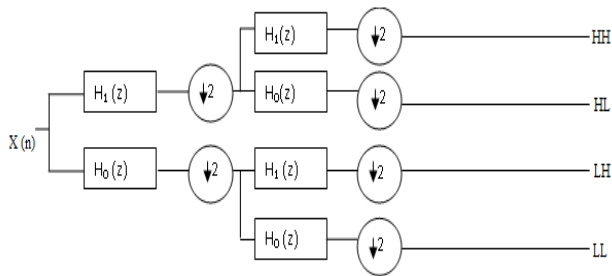


Figure 2: Processing stages of an algorithm

The author describes a method to fulfill multi-scale contrast enhancement. In the wavelet transform, linear and nonlinear transforms are available [5]. Linear enhancement is mapping of wavelet coefficients by function  $E_m = GMS$ . To avoid the placement of high value coefficients which obtained loss of detail after reconstruction, nonlinear enhancement is required. [6] The first processing stage in this paper worked on AMA (Automated Mammography Analysis) is to recognize possible tumors in mammograms. The basic of this process is fuzzy pyramid linking. In mammography identification of suspicious tumors is a very difficult task due to numerous variations of gray level characteristics in digital mammograms. For this reason, AMA first recognized pixel groupings that contain different intensity properties and then decides if they are tumors. This task is carried out using these steps: 1) thresholding to separate object from background, 2) fuzzy pyramid linking to identify similar regions, and 3) thresholding to separate regions from the background. Assumption of the system is that a mammilla had an object of interest (breast) and a dark background. In order to enhance effectiveness using image thresholding AMA separates the background from the object and assigns all pixels whose contrast is less than the threshold value  $T_1$  to the background, then AMA examined the object (i.e., pixels  $I(i, j) > 0$ ) using multi-resolution image processing. This multi-resolution image processing algorithm is image segmentation. This extension increases

sensitivity of the algorithm that appears frequently in mammograms. Possible tumors that differ from their surroundings are considered as calcified regions using fuzzy pyramid linking. There are numerous pyramids present in the market, one of the main is Gaussian pyramid, which is formed by taking summation over regions of the level below which each level is considered as a lower resolution than its predecessor. Pyramid linking when adjusted with appropriate parameters, can be used for differentiating between visually different regions in arbitrary images. The effect of each parameter on segmentation is checked by fixing two parameters and changing the remaining parameter. The quality of segmentation is best for the lower values. [7] The preprocessing stage suggested here is totally dependent upon adaptive resonance theory (ART2) clustering. Image partitioning and nonlinear contrast enhancement divide an inputted image into a number of homogeneous sized sub-images for processing to explore local significant information using image contrast enhancement.

### 1.1 Coarse Segmentation



**Figure 3:** Levels of filters used for the DWT standard

Detection Algorithm of Suspicious Lesions are applied in the preprocessing result using Adaptive Thresholding Based method. The detection algorithm [1] is proved to be an effective method to detect lesions in mammogram [15] [17]. In these algorithms, the main step is to segment a suspicious region by a threshold. The 2D level DWT is applied to get multiple parts of an image as shown in fig3. But selecting a threshold is the most important process here hence used adaptive histogram thresholding technique which is based on the gray-level values [15]. The threshold selected by the PDF For lesion regions, the gray-level values have a global superiority in the whole images and can be easily segmented as suspicious area but one of the main difficulties in segmentation is that some nerves or vein are often overlapped with heavy breast tissues, which may have higher density/characteristics than the masses. Therefore, it is difficult to directly segment the region of interest with high accuracy in the mammograms by global gray-level thresholding.[2] To extract the suspicious lesion which may contain micro calcification the breast image is obtained by using previous procedure[1] are then segmented into square of fixed size say  $M$ , then applied wavelet transform on that  $M$  square image. Multiple kinds of wavelets are applied and compared them all, and at the end daubecheis 10 wavelet is selected to perform transformation in four level segmentation. Second stage of the project [3] is to detect suspicious area in focal area which uses various morphological criteria to detect suspicious region because calculating granulated breast region is next step to determination of suspicious candidate seeds. Four main morphological characteristics are used for each focal region that are, area in the focal region, remaining features are the eccentricity, solidity, and certain degree of dispersion or extent of the region. Now using setting of thresholds values regarding the legal range of the given four morphological characteristics for micro calcified masses, the given process create a collection of highly suspicious focal activity areas. The center pixel of the suspicious areas is found out during this stage. Which is treated as the seed locations for further analysis? Detection of candidate tumor [4] results given by iris filter in preprocessing is generally large near the rounded convex region like tumor masses. Iris filter is applied to each mammilla of breast by applying iris filtering any suspicious area is supposed to be enhanced even if it has a low contrast or grey weak background, according to

author the original pixel value of image is high which are then gone through filtering process is then amplified. After modification  $\text{cmod}(i, j)$  of image  $(i, j)$  found. Among them the top seven peak values are searched which are detected as a location of tumor candidate. [5] Mass detection is trivial problem with respect to micro calcification detection because of weak intensity/contrast. Therefore it is very difficult to visualize them or distinguish them on mammogram, so to find out the suspicious masses, selective enhancement segmentation is required. Image segmentation is categorized here in two main groups:

#### Discrete contour model: Region growing

Discrete contour model is based on edge detection techniques where image shows linked boundaries, to obtain closed connected pixel image. But the result is not perfect. In region growing method the region has to define in advanced thus the result in this method was poor because the shape of object may be random. Hence multi scale edge detection is used, this method is similar to finding out a local maxima of a wavelet transform i.e. when the scale is large the transformation delete only the sharp variation of large structure.[6] image segmentation methodology explained in stage 2 is applicable for all image processing but when we had to extract the region by fuzzy pyramid linking it is totally dependent on the image we have at hand. So the AMA extracted regions into three classes: a) no tumor, b) benign, c) malignant tumors. The classification is carried out by Bayes classifiers using the measurements characterized by size; shape and intensity the basis for that measure are properties of types different of tumors. The classification tree uses the following four measurements: 1) Area-total number of pixels, 2) Shape descriptor, 3) Edge distance variation descriptor, 4) Edge intensity variation. This measurement differentiate between benign and malignant tumor based on their shape and intensity. using this measurements a micro calcified area is detected.[7] here for performing decomposition of input image at different level, Multi scale decomposition is used. The multi scale analysis with mathematical operations in every scale is consume to detect all details information in a mammogram. The decomposition uses tree-structured MRA filter banks.

#### 1.2 Detection

After segmentation [1] we get new value for threshold of an mammograms as we apply adaptive local threshold segmentation we get binary image in gray scale out of this we select higher resolution value and map that value after that applying post process to get exact result or maintain accuracy to detect micro calcification.[2] detection of suspicious lesion is find out by analysis of the region of interest (ROI) of suspicious area but some of the region does not contain ROI, those area belongs to false rate, so here ROI need to again re-analyzed to distinguish between area which contain micro-calcification and those which do

not contain micro-calcification. DOG (difference of Gaussian) is used to detect a suspicious lesion which are present in ROI of mammilla as shown in fig 4.

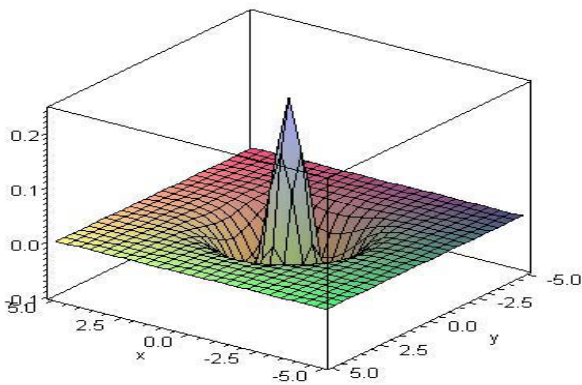


Figure 4: Illustration of 2D DOG when Del=1

DOG filter done filtering each pixel in each ROI from left to right ,top to bottom after performing filtering each pixel is divided into normal region and calcified region, by comparing filtered pixel with threshold T .if filtered pixel value is greater than T it is belongs to suspicious region otherwise not a micro calcified region.[3]the third and final stage of this operation is perform in two steps to minimize the false positive rate of image.ie analysis of relative incidence i.e. it accessed the incidence area of whole breast region and second is separate evaluation which helps to separate out bening tumor masses from mammograms . The detection of malignant masses in the proposed CAD scheme was carried out using free response operating characteristic (FROC) analysis as shown in fig 5.[4]the characteristics of tumor candidate found in stage 2 are important to characterized malignant masses .it is prove that important factor for malignancy are present around mass boundaries. Therefore detection of the boundary is an important processing step boundary of the tumors are usually no uniform and therefore simple thresholding method is not work well and hence iris filter is used to detect tumor mass in mammography.

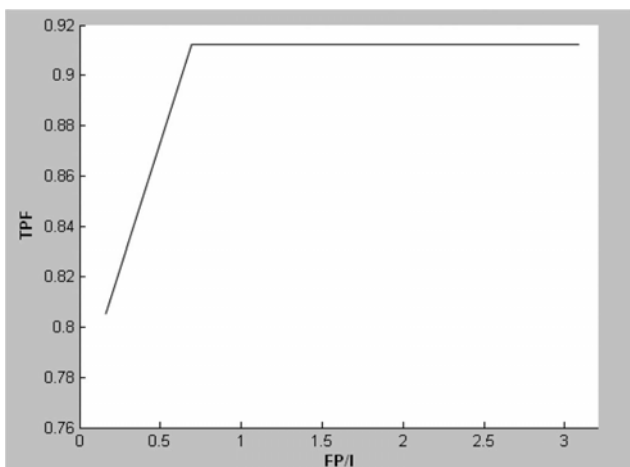


Figure 5: FROC analysis for the proposed detection system

The dyadic wavelet transform are not enough operation

for the detection of masses in mammilla. a calcification may be too blurred or unclear on one scale and too scattered on the second scale and so on Therefore, we require further necessary data related to the mass core by using a different approach. Here author introduced new background removal algorithm based on the properties of morphological filters. Morphological filters are nonlinear signal transformations that locally enhance the geometric characteristics of signals. It comes from the reason that a large class of filters can be represented as the combination of two simple operations: 1) erosion and 2) dilation. After obtaining the segmentation of the mammographic image, we can use the resultant binary image as a sort of map to operate a selective enhancement in the wavelet domain. Only wavelet coefficients corresponding to the segmented mass are enhanced and easily recognize the calcified region from non calcified area.

#### 4. Discussion about result

Result obtained by this project was taken from minimias database [1] which is used by other micro calcification detection such as automatic mammogram classification, mass segmentation, and micro calcification detection. all images are digitalized by 1024\*1024 pixel format for best accuracy purpose. To calculate the computer-aided diagnosis results, they chosen the following overlapping criteria in [10], [13]: A computer aided result is considered as an accurate if its area is overlapped by at least 50% of a true lesion. All expected results are given below in fig 6.The detection results are evaluated by terms of sensitivity and the number of false positives per image (FP/I).[2] the result obtained by using proposed process collected by the Sir Run Shaw Hospital in Hang Zhou. The mammograms are placed as DICOM format with size 4740 × 3540. Fig 7 shows one of the detection results. The Region Of Interests are converted into binary images after micro-calcification. Detection accomplished. Radiologists can make decision by compare the final image and the original. processing show that this method detected 59 ROIs, which provide 89.39% correct classification, which is better than 78.07% reported in [4] and similar 89.7% reported in [8][3]here author again used proposed CAD scheme which involves three like hierarchical modules, which containing multiple steps. The main parameters for each and every module were performing fully using the train data set. Result was placed by setting the parameters so that each step reached detection rate for the malignant masses higher than 95%, while keeping the number of false positive detections rate at low rate. Table display the MCL parameters, where each parameter display and its corresponding threshold. In addition to this, the table shows how the change carried out on sensitivity and specificity of the MCL scheme present in the train set as these parameters are change progressively. The sensitivity and specificity are not informed by for stage 1, as this stage was only a preprocessing step which is used to reduce computational complexity of detection scheme. The average number of false positive detections per image (FPsI) was taken for

the train, test, and benign sets with this the CAD false positive detection rate was calculated. The results are shown in Table VI. Finally at the last stage, the system detected 5.0 false positives per image in the normal mammograms and 5.1 false positives per image in the benign set mammograms.[4] To evaluate the performance specialty of already defines feature parameters here they performed experiments for the classification between malignant tumors and others included benign tumors and normal tissue. Test materials for the experiments were collected from the Society of Computer Aided Diagnosis of Medical Images (CADM), which contain of 51 CR images [24]. 13 MT (malignant tumor) systems find out 160 candidate regions in which all malignant tumors were included. Shows the results of the ROC analysis, where a single feature parameter is only used. From the figure following points are elaborate that when the true-positive fraction is about 0.8, the false-positive fraction is less than 0.2. These results define the effectiveness of the feature parameters which is expected to be characteristic of tumor candidate boundary. The percentage of missed malignant tumors is 9.6%. The remaining false negatives are affected by the second processing step. Experimental results showed that features proposed in this paper are effective in distinguished between malignant tumors and others. But this is not a perfect feature extraction. [5] in breast cancer detection all the micro calcifications recognized by the doctors or radiologist which uses database and have been correctly enhanced by the algorithm, allowing a simpler micro calcification detection with respect to the

plain image .images displays the region of interest (ROI) of an original heavy mammographic image with a micro calcified masses and a linear distribution with ill-defined. In this anyone can notice the dangerous effects of the application of the enhancement without separating noising ,after the de noising step, the piecewise operations can makes the micro calcifications more visible here this same step is again performed by 2 other algorithm and can notice how this algorithm fails to attempt the criteria provided by first one. Shown in Fig. 10.this is happened because of the particular nature of these noisy images having very low contrast. [6] Output of AMA's performance was processed out on 25 samples of mammograms that contain specific types of tumors. Out of this sample set, 10 (5 malignant and 5 benign tumors) were utilized to obtain standard deviations for the classifier defend by Bayes classifiers. In this project two stages was performed successfully around 95 percent in first case and 85 percent in second case. The first stag was very successful in isolating possible tumors. but some cases which belongs to other intensity level also detected the outputs of the first stage are shown in Fig. 8.whereas in second case they minimize false positive rate successfully as there belongs three main classes for tumor i.e. non tumor, benign, and malignant tumors. Tumors were always correctly classified. Here program worked with textured mammograms. The expected results for various abnormality is shown in Table

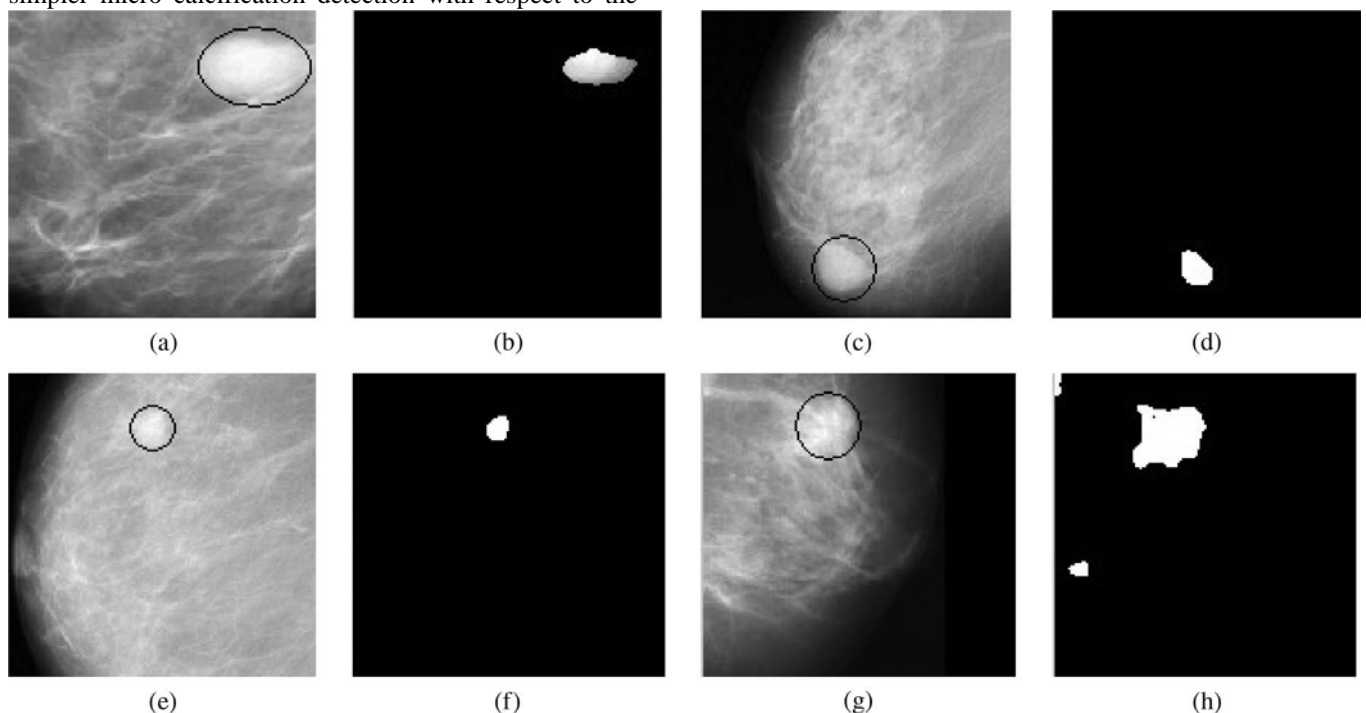


Figure 6: Segmentation results by window-based adaptive thresholding segmentation. [(a), (c), (e), and (g)]

Class of abnormality	Amount of lesion/image	By the proposed method	
		lesion	Sensitivity
CIRC	24/22	23	95.8
SPIC	19/19	15	78.9
ARCH	19/19	18	94.7
ASYM	15/15	14	93.3
MISC	15/14	14	93.3
TOTAL	92/89	84	91.3

Global threshold is played an important role in [7] it is selected approximately 0.0025 or we can say 0.25 percent. When processing is done on 322 images using the algorithm using global threshold which is collected from mini mias database then suspicious regions was detected by the algorithm .Then, the radiologist checked all the possibility to detect all the suspicious regions from the algorithm, there are three main categories which are detected as following: a truly suspicious region of micro calcification, false alarm, or indeterminable. Radiologist play an important role in detecting this categories “Indeterminable” means that the suspicious region may or r may not be truly suspicious, . The “indeterminable” are omitted from the performance statistic computations. Here the results are distributed from radiologist’s review are as follows, truly suspicious region = 150, false alarm = 1834 and indeterminable = 37.the final FP rate is 5 per image for the algorithm. The biomedical true positives (TPs), false positives (FPs), and false negative (FNs) are obtained by proper calculation by radiologist.

### 5. Conclusion

Hence the project used novel algorithm for the detection of Micro calcified region in mammilla. [1] From that Wavelet transforms are proposed and a combination of adaptive global thresholding segmentation and adaptive local thresholding segmentation is used for segmenting the multi resolution sub images of the original mammogram. Initially, a histogram dependent adaptive global thresholding algorithm is utilized to segment the image to find out the output of coarse segmentation. Then after a correlation which is built between the coarse segmentation and the morphological without noise clear image, a window-based adaptive local thresholding method is carried out to get the fine step means fine segmentation. Results by using the mini-MIAS image database have shown that the proposed detection system is

capable of detecting suspicious lesions of different types at low false positive rates. [2] Here a micro-calcification detection method based on wavelet and adaptive thresholds was proposed. Areas of breast are divided and extracted important region from the mammograms and segmented into without overlapped square, then wavelet transform is applied on each and every square image and predefined thresholds of each mammilla are calculated to identify the region of interest’s area. These ROIs are then again reanalyzed to minimize false positive rate [3] the conclusion of this project, analysis of morphologic concentric layer is a strategy which is good process for screening mammograms to recognize suspicious region to identify place of tumor. The superfine output of the MCL algorithm suggests numerous test cases that the algorithm is an excellent starting point. Texture analysis is also helpful in next process i.e. refining the false positive rate. [4] A micro calcification detection system including a two-level process had been proposed. First stag is the iris filter, adopted to recognize tumor candidates. this filter is so sensitive to tumors that the maximum time it gives outputs larger than or equivalent to the seventh largest output in each mammogram. Experiments results show the effectiveness many of malignant tumors are circular shape / round, and this type of tumor can be highlighted with high accuracy. But in some cases those tumors are not round, but in random shaped. So It will be necessary for further develop of method to correctly recognize these masses. [5] Finally here author point out the problem of extendibility and removing noise of mammo graphic images. A newly launched algorithm depends on the dyadic wavelet transform has been explored. This method is adaptive to the different nature of diagnostic features in the image under analysis, Many results prove that the suitability of this approach. But e, the design of the algorithm includes cost of hardware which goes toward the hardware implementation of the heavy core of the wavelet computation. Thus, the conclusion stated that in [7] FPs rate of image and FNs rate of image were low which is considering as acceptable. If the live database or some other database is used, the analysis offer global threshold analysis which requires part of the database images with reference to processing the whole database. This process gives flexibility and easiness in working with numerous databases.

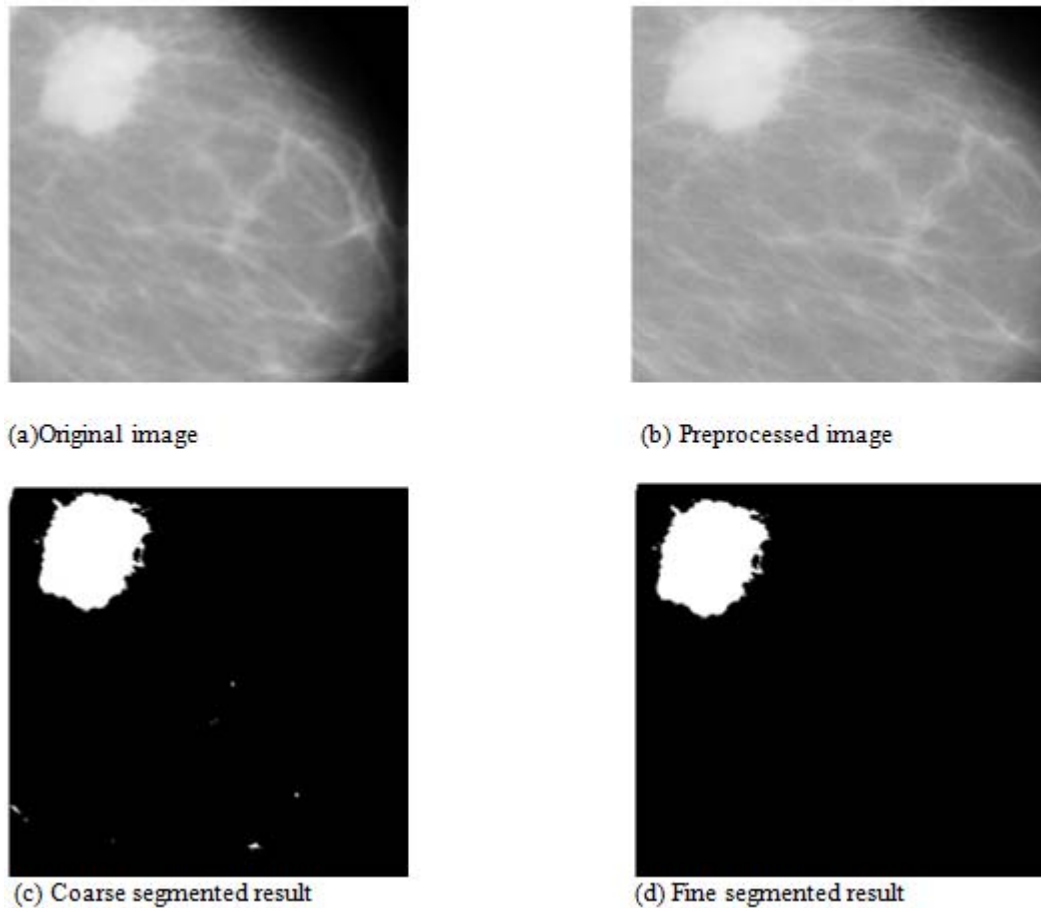


Figure 7: Output of Image mdb184

## 6. Future scope

Wavelet Adaptive Windowing method (an effective technique for tumor detection in mammilla (bosom) uses the concept for the segmentation of highlighted targets in a picture. Coarse segmentation is used which is performed using wavelet based histogram thresholding in which threshold value is selected by doing 1-D wavelet based analysis of PDFs(power density function) of wavelet transformed images at different channels. The further segmented output is found by selecting threshold by using windowing method. The simulation results show that the proposed method is effective for over segmented images . Over segmented pictures are preprocessed first and then normal algorithm can apply to detect cancerous location. Simulation results show that the proposed algorithms yield significantly superior image quality when it is compared to the Global thresholding method and window based adaptive thresholding method. The method can also implemented by using supervised network(neural network) which means using artificial intelligence concept image can be segmented and the suspicious area is sort out from the original image and remaining image is again process to check other constipencies. The given windowing method is again built using clustering approach where calcification and soft tissues are divided and algorithm perform different operation for different parts .method is very effective for other databases .or other standard databases are taken into consideration for perfect output.

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