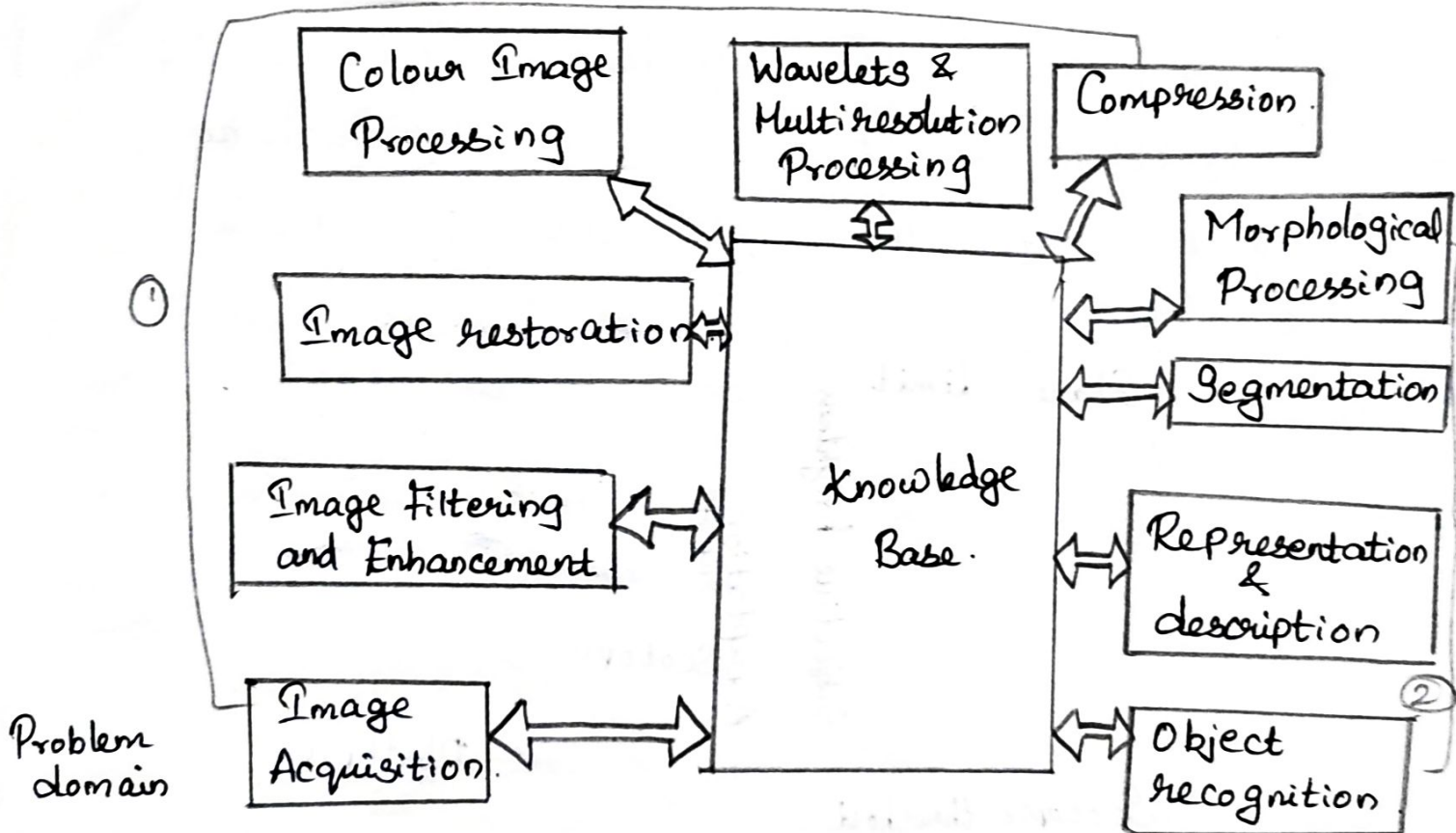


1.2. Image Representation:

Fundamental Steps in Digital Image Processing:

There are two Categories of the Steps involved in the image Processing.

- (1) Methods whose outputs are input are images.
- (2) Methods whose outputs are attributes extracted from those images.



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There are some fundamental steps but as they are fundamental, all these steps may have sub-steps.

① Image Acquisition:-

→ This is the first step or process of the fundamental steps of digital image processing.

→ Image acquisition could be as simple as being given an image that is already in digital form.

→ Image acquisition stage involves preprocessing, such as scaling etc.

② Image Enhancement:-

→ Image enhancement is among the simplest and most appealing areas of digital image processing.

→ Basically, the idea behind enhancement techniques is to bring out detail that is obscured, or simply to highlight certain features of interest in an image.

→ Such as changing brightness & contrast etc.

③ Image Restoration:-

- * It is an area that also deals with improving the appearance of an image.
- * Which is subjective, image restoration is objective, in the sense that restoration techniques tend to be based on Mathematical or Probabilistic models of image degradation.

④ Color Image Processing:-

- * It is an area that has been gaining its importance because of the significant increase in the use of digital images over the Internet.
- * It include color modeling and processing in a digital domain.

⑤ Wavelets and Multi resolution Processing:-

- * Wavelets are the foundation for representing images in various degrees of resolution.
- * Images subdivision successively into smaller regions for data compression and for pyramidal representation.

⑥ Compression:-

- * It deals with techniques for reducing the storage required to save an image or

the bandwidth to transmit it.

* Particularly in the uses of internet it is very much necessary to Compress data.

* It has two Major approaches.

(1) Lossless Compression.

(2) Lossy Compression.

⑦ Morphological Processing:-

* It deals with tools for extracting image components that are useful in the representation and description of shape.

⑧ Segmentation:-

* It is a Procedure to partition an image into its Constituent parts or objects.

* Autonomous Segmentation is one of the most difficult tasks in digital image Processing.

* Suggested Segmentation Procedure brings the Process a long way toward Successful Solution of imaging Problems.

⑨ Representation and Description:-

→ It always follow the Output of a Segmentation Stage. which usually is raw Pixel data.

* Choosing a representation is only part of the solution for transforming raw data into a suitable form for subsequent computer processing.

* Descriptions deals with extracting attributes that result in some quantitative information of interest.

* Basic for differentiating one class of objects from another.

⑩ Object Recognition:-

* It is the process that assigns a label, such as "vehicle" to an object based on its descriptions.

⑪ Knowledge Base:-

* It may be simple as detailing regions of an image where the information of interest is known to be located.

* Image database containing high-resolution satellite images of a region in connection with change-detection applications.