CIS 751 Final Exam

Due: June 1st, 2004

Use your own words to answer each question. 20% each. You get no credit for pasting material from the web.

1. Knowing that:

-1	0	+1	+1	+2	+1
-2	0	+2	0	0	0
-1	0	+1	-1	-2	-1

convolusion kernels 'detect' vertical and horizontal edges in an image respectively. Come up with an approach to detect diagonal edges. You may either do a combination of the above, or create a new matrix. Describe your approach for the answer; explain why and how it works, and prove that your approach works (provide an example of it working, etc.).

- 2. Explain how Huffman compression works. Explain how Arithmetic Coding works. Why does Arithmetic Coding *usually* achieves better compression ratios than Huffman?
- 3. What is PCM? (describe) What improvement does DPCM bring? Why is it an improvement? What improvement does ADPCM bring?
- 4. What happens to an image if we zero out *higher* frequencies of its DCT? What happens to an image if we zero out *lower* frequencies of its DCT? What happens to an image if we zero out *mid*-frequencies of its DCT? Which one does JPEG use, how and why?
- 5. Discuss trends in lossy compression in relation to human senses—what colors we see better/worse, what sounds we hear better/worse, how quickly our eyes react to change, what frequencies we hear, etc., and how all these limitations are used by lossy compression methods, such as JPEG, MPEG, MP3s, etc.