

## Week 3&4: OpenCV

### Edge Computing

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- “Mastering OpenCV 4 with Python: a practical guide covering topics from image processing, augmented reality to deep learning with OpenCV 4 and Python 3.7”, Villán, Alberto Fernández
- “Hands-On GPU-Accelerated Computer Vision with OpenCV



# Outline

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Basic operations
- 3 Other concepts
- 4 OpenCV
- 5 Image Processing



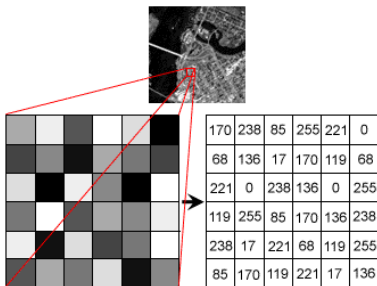
# Images

- Computer vision is everywhere in our daily lives
  - Photos are ubiquitous in our social media feeds, news articles, magazines, books
  - Images are **everywhere!!!**
- Images from a combination of the original image's pixel values



## Images as functions

- Each pixel has its own value
- For a gray-scale image, each pixel would have an intensity between 0 and 255
  - 0 means **black**
  - 255 means **white**





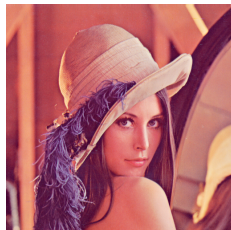
## Images as functions

- Given a function  $f(x, y)$ , gives the intensity of the image at pixel position  $(x, y)$
- Colors: combination of Red, Green, and Blue (RGB)
  - Image of width=256 and height=256
  - Total of  $256 * 256 * 256 = 16,777,216$  combinations or color choices

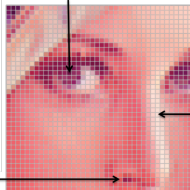
$$f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} r(x, y) \\ g(x, y) \\ b(x, y) \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$



# Images as functions



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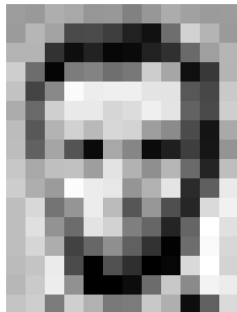
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# Images

- Images can be represented as a matrix of pixel values.



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180	180	50	14	34	6	10	33	48	106	159	181
206	109	5	124	131	111	120	204	166	15	56	180
194	68	137	251	237	239	239	228	227	87	71	201
172	105	207	233	233	214	220	239	228	98	74	206
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189	97	165	84	10	168	134	11	31	62	22	148
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190	214	173	66	103	143	96	50	2	109	249	215
187	196	235	75	1	81	47	0	6	217	255	211
183	202	237	145	0	0	12	108	200	138	243	236
195	206	123	207	177	121	123	200	175	13	96	218

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# Image Processing

- Two main types of image processing:
  - Image filtering & image warping

## Image filtering

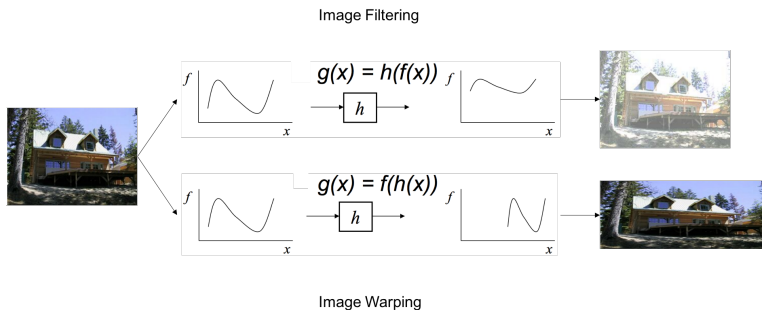
- Changes the range (i.e. the pixel values) of an image
- Image colors of the are altered **without** changing the **pixel positions**

## Image Warping

- Changes the domain (i.e. the pixel positions) of an image
- Points are mapped to other points **without** changing the **colors**



# Image Processing



# Image Filtering

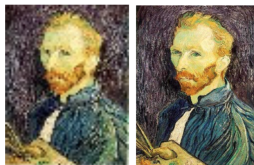
- The goal of using filters is
  - To modify or enhance image properties
  - To extract valuable information from the pictures such as edges, corners, and blobs

De-noising



Salt and pepper noise

Super-resolution



In-painting



# Image Filtering

- Example: image segmentation filter
  - Moving *average filter* replaces each pixel with the average pixel value of it and a neighborhood window of adjacent pixels
  - The effect is a more **smooth image** with sharp features removed



# Convolution

- Many filters can be expressed in a principal manner using 2D convolution
  - Smoothing and sharpening images and detecting edges are based on **conv2D**
- Convolution in 2D operates on two images: input image and kernel (acts as a filter)





# Convolution

- No change:

$$\textit{kernel}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$



Original

•0	•0	•0
•0	•1	•0
•0	•0	•0

=



Filtered  
(no change)



# Convolution

- Shifted right by one pixel:

$$\textit{kernel}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$



Original

•0	•0	•0
•0	•0	•1
•0	•0	•0

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Shifted right  
By 1 pixel

# Convolution

- Blurred:

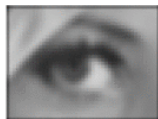
$$\textit{kernel}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/9 \\ 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/9 \\ 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/9 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$



Original

$$\frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} \bullet 1 & \bullet 1 & \bullet 1 \\ \bullet 1 & \bullet 1 & \bullet 1 \\ \bullet 1 & \bullet 1 & \bullet 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Blur (with a  
box filter)



# Convolution

- Sharpening filter (two steps):

- 1 Step 1: Original - Smoothed = “Details” (see eq. 5)

$$\mathit{kernelDetail}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

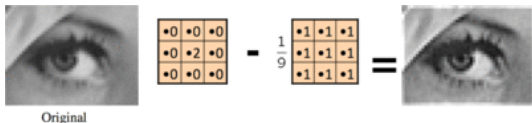
- 2 Step 2: Original + “Details” = Sharperned (see eq. 6)

$$\mathit{kernelSharperned}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \quad (6)$$



## ■ Sharpening filter (two steps)

$$\begin{aligned} kernelSharpened(x, y) &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



# Edge Detection

- Edges are sudden discontinuities in an image
  - Arise from surface normal, surface color, depth, illumination, or other discontinuities

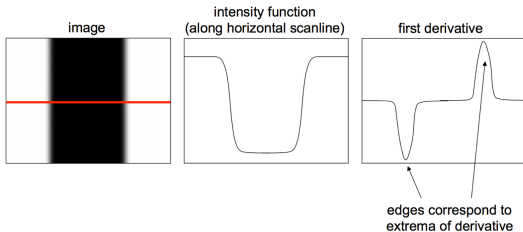
## Importance

- 1 Most semantic and shape information can be deduced from them
  - Allows perform object recognition and analyze perspectives and geometry of an image
- 2 A more compact representation than pixels



# Edge Detection

- Edge?
- Rapid change in the intensity function indicates an edge



# Edge Detection

- An image gradient
  - A generalization of the concept of derivative to more than one dimension
  - Points in the direction where intensity increases the most
- If gradient is  $\nabla f = \left[ \frac{\delta f}{\delta x}, \frac{\delta f}{\delta y} \right]$  the gradient direction would be
- Edge strength would be the gradient magnitude:

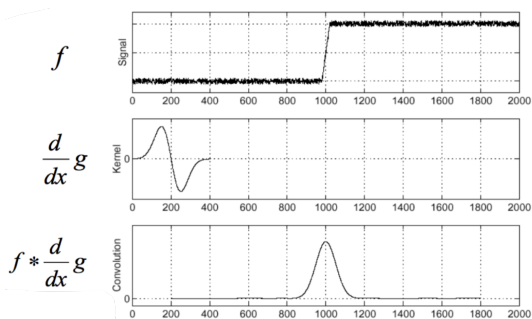
$$\|\nabla f\| = \sqrt{\frac{\delta f}{\delta x}^2 + \frac{\delta f}{\delta y}^2}$$





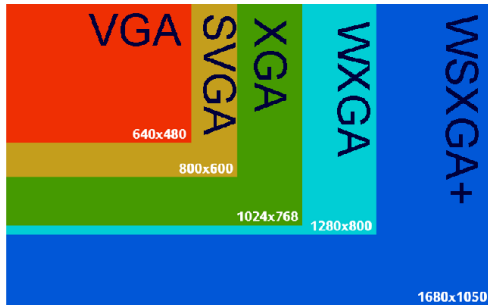
# Edge Detection

- Applying a filter (derivative of a Gaussian function), we can eliminate the image noise and effectively locate edges



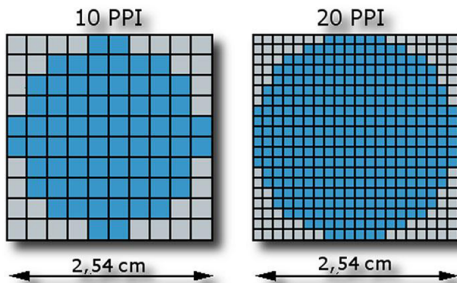
## Image resolution

- Graphics display resolution is the **width** and **height** dimension of an electronic visual display device, measured in pixels



# PPI

- Pixel per inch: concentration of pixels on a particular display
- For human eyes, 300PPI is enough for us to see comfortably



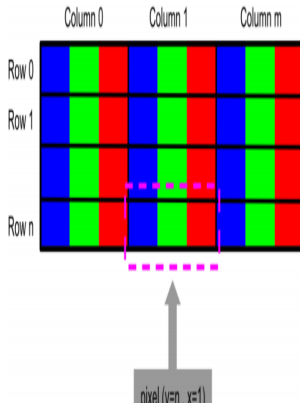
# What is OpenCV

- **OpenCV** (Open Source Computer Vision Library) is a library of programming functions mainly aimed at real-time computer vision
  - Supported in most of OS
  - APIs for C/C++, python and Java



## BGR color format in OpenCV

- One pixel in OpenCV give us three values corresponding to the blue, green and red channels



# Read images

- Read an image from file (using `imread`)
- Display an image in an OpenCV window (using `imshow`)
- Write an image to a file (using `imwrite`)

## JupyterNotebook

- Open and follow the file **OpenCV/BasicOperations/Lecture\_OpenCV1-Reading\_Writing\_DisplayingImages.ipynb**



# Read/Write images

- Create a python script named **display\_image.py**

## display\_image.py

```
import cv2 as cv
import sys
img = cv.imread('imgs/lena.png')
if img is None:
    sys.exit('Could not read the image.')
cv.imshow("Display window", img)
k = cv.waitKey(0)
if k == ord("s"):
    cv.imwrite('imgs/out_img.png', img)
```

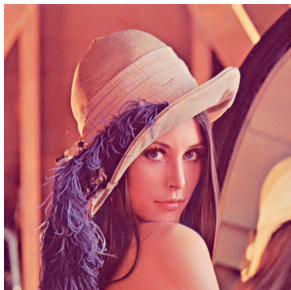


# Read/Write images

- Create a python script named **display\_image.py**

Terminal #1

```
nano@jetson-nano:$ python3 display_image.py
```





# Basic Functions

- **Grayscale** is process by which an image is converted from a full color to shades of grey (black & white)

## Jupyter Notebook

- Open and follow the file **OpenCV/BasicOperations/Lecture\_OpenCV2-Grayscale.ipynb**



# Basic Functions

- **Grayscale** is process by which an image is converted from a full color to shades of grey (black & white)

## gray\_image.py

```
import cv2 as cv
import sys

img = cv.imread('imgs/lena.png')
if img is None:
    sys.exit('Could not read the image.')
gray_image = cv.cvtColor(img, cv.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
cv.imshow("Gray window", gray_image)
k = cv.waitKey(0)
```



## Resizing and Cropping

- Resizing means reducing the size of an image will require resampling of the pixels
  - Using the `resize` function
  - You need to interpolate new pixels

### resize\_image.py

```
import cv2 as cv
import sys

img = cv.imread('imgs/lena.png')
if img is None:
    sys.exit('Could not read the image.')

[w,h,c] = img.shape

# Resize to 100x200
img_resize = cv.resize(img, (100,200), interpolation= cv.INTER_LINEAR)

cv.imshow("Resize window", img_resize)
k = cv.waitKey(0)
```



# Resizing and Cropping

- Cropping is done to remove all unwanted objects or areas from an image
  - Or even to highlight a particular feature of an image
- There is no specific function for cropping using OpenCV, but as an image is stored in a 2D array...
  - Specify the height and width (in pixels) of the area to be cropped

## crop\_image.py

```
import cv2 as cv
import sys

img = cv.imread('imgs/lena.png')
if img is None:
    sys.exit('Could not read the image.')

[h,w,c] = img.shape

print('height='+str(h)+' width='+str(w))

# Cropping
img_cropped = img[80:280, 150:500]

cv.imshow("Cropped window", img_cropped)
k = cv.waitKey(0)

cv.imwrite('imgs/lena_cropped.png', img_cropped)
k = cv.waitKey(0)
```

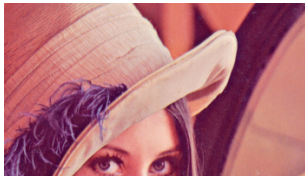


# Resizing and Cropping

- Cropping example

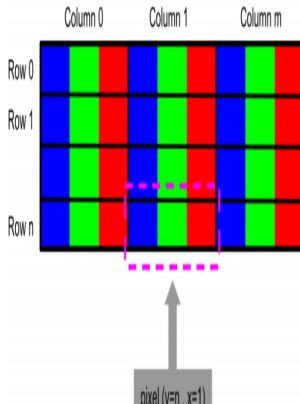
Terminal #1

```
nano@jetson-nano:$ python3 crop_image.py
```



## BGR color format in OpenCV

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# Filtering

- **Remember the example:** image segmentation filter
  - *Moving average filter* replaces each pixel with the average pixel value of it and a neighborhood window of adjacent pixels
  - The effect is a more **smooth image** with sharp features removed



Jupyter Notebook



# Extra

- Interact with the CSI Camera

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- Open and follow the file **OpenCV/BasicOperations/Lecture\_OpenCV5-ReadFromWebCam.ipynb**





# Aritmetic with images

- Adding an offset: **image looks lighter**
- Subtract an offset: **image looks darker**



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- Open and follow the file **OpenCV/ImageProcessing/Lecture\_OpenCV6-ArithmeticOperations**



# Bitwise operations with images

- Operations (AND, OR, XOR, NOT)
  - Useful while extracting any part of the image (as we will see in coming chapters)
  - Or working with non-rectangular ROI's, and etc

## JupyterNotebook

- Open and follow the file **OpenCV/ImageProcessing/Lecture\_OpenCV7-BitwiseOperations.ipynb**



## Masking with color

- Detect and extract colors present in an image using `inRange()`
  - Sometimes we want to remove or extract color from the image for some reason
- Detect a color using the range of that color (HSV triplet value format)

```
mask_orange = cv2.inRange(imgHSV, lower_orange,  
upper_orange) #HSV format
```

### Jupyter Notebook

- Open and follow the file **OpenCV/ImageProcessing/Lecture\_OpenCV7-BitwiseOperations.ipynb**



# Morphological operations (erosion, dilation, opening...)

- Morphological operations are a set of operations that process images based on shapes
- **Erosion:**
  - It is useful for removing small white noises.
  - Used to detach two connected objects etc.
- **Dilation:**
  - In cases like noise removal, erosion is followed by dilation. Because, erosion removes white noises, but it also shrinks our object. So we dilate it. Since noise is gone, they won't come back, but our object area increases.



# Erode and Dilate

## crop\_image.py

```
....  
# Taking a matrix of size 5 as the kernel  
kernel = np.ones((5,5), np.uint8)  
  
# The first parameter is the original image,  
# kernel is the matrix with which image is  
# convolved and third parameter is the number  
# of iterations, which will determine how much  
# you want to erode/dilate a given image.  
img_erosion = cv.erode(img, kernel, iterations=1)  
img_dilation = cv.dilate(img, kernel, iterations=1)  
....
```



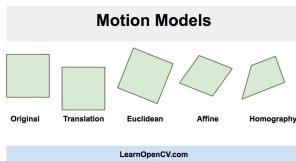
# Perspective transformation

- Image Alignment: two images of the same scene are not aligned



# Image Rotation and Translation

- **Translation:** image can be shifted (translated) by  $(x, y)$  to obtain the second image. There are only two parameters  $x$  and  $y$  that we need to estimate.
- **Rotation:** image is a rotated respect an angle
- More info related to [Affine transformation with OpenCV](#)



## JupyterNotebook

- Open and follow the file **OpenCV/ImageProcessing/Lecture\_OpenCV8-Dilation\_Erosion.ipynb**



# Edge

- Identify the boundaries (edges) of objects
  - Sobel Edge Detection: one of the most widely used algorithms for edge detection (x & y direction)

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & +1 \\ -2 & 0 & +2 \\ -1 & 0 & +1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Gradient

$$G_x = A * I$$
$$G = \sqrt{G_x^2 + G_y^2}$$





# Thresholding

- The simplest segmentation method
  - Separate out regions of an image corresponding based on the variation of intensity between the object pixels and the background pixels
  - Differentiate the pixels from the rest (which will eventually be rejected)
  - i.e. we can assign them a value of 0 (black), 255 (white)



# Thresholding

- Binary:  $\text{if } \text{src}(x, y) > \text{thres}, \text{dest}(x, y) = \text{maxValue}; \text{else } \text{dest}(x, y) = \text{minValue}$
- Truncate  
 $\text{if } \text{src}(x, y) > \text{thres}, \text{dest}(x, y) = \text{thres}; \text{else } \text{dest}(x, y) = \text{src}(x, y)$

```
dst = cv.threshold(src_gray, threshold_value, max_binary_val
```



# Thresholding

- Simplest thresholding methods replace each pixel in an image with a black pixel if the image intensity  $I_{i,j}$  is less than a fixed value called the threshold  $T$



# Thresholding & Edge

- Edge detection operator that uses a multi-stage algorithm to detect a wide range of edges in images
  - **Sobel** uses two  $3 \times 3$  kernels which are convolved
  - Canny edge detector uses a multi-stage algorithm: Gaussian Filtering, Gradient intensity, Gradient magnitude thresholding...

## Jupyter Notebook

- Open and follow the file **OpenCV/ImageProcessing/Lecture\_OpenCV9-Edge.ipynb**



# Contours

- Contours are defined as the line joining all the points along the boundary of an image that are having the same intensity
  - Come handy in shape analysis, finding the size of the object of interest, and object detection

## Jupyter Notebook

- Open and follow the file **OpenCV/ImageProcessing/Lecture\_OpenCV10-Contours.ipynb**



# Line Detection

- **Hough transform** is a feature extraction technique within a certain class of shapes by a voting procedure
  - After using edge detection (ie: Sobel, Canny operator)



# Line Detection

- Hough transform
  - Useful in many line detection

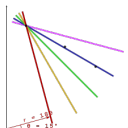
## Line

- A line can be seen as:  $y = m * x + n$ 
  - Where  $(x, y)$  means a single pixel in a image: **vertical lines are not easy**:  $m = \infty$
- Polar representation can be also used:  $y = -\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} * x + \frac{\rho}{\sin \theta}$
- Finally  $\rho = x * \cos \theta + y * \sin \theta$  which means that every line can be associated to  $(\rho, \theta)$  pair



# Line Detection

- Consider three data points, shown here as black dots
  - For each data point, a number of lines are plotted
  - The Hough transform accumulates contributions from all pixels in the detected edge
  - The **brightest** accumulated points correspond to the lines





# Line Detection

## JupyterNotebook

- Open and follow the file **OpenCV/BasicOperations/Lecture\_OpenCV11-Hough.ipynb**

