

Computer Vision HW9: General Edge Detection

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Implement the following edge detectors with thresholds:

- **Description**

Since all of the edge detectors requires convolution over kernels, I wrote a general function to derive the results based on the kernel and threshold.

- **Method / Algorithm**

1. Translate the kernels into list of tuples: for example, the kernels for Prewitt Operator will be

translated from

-1	-1	-1
1	1	1

p_1

$f(x-1)$

-1		1
-1		1
-1		1

p_2

$f(x+1)$

, to

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prewittKernels = [((-1, -1), -1), ((-1, 0), -1), ((-1, 1), -1),  
                  ((1, -1), 1), ((1, 0), 1), ((1, 1), 1),  
                  ((-1, -1), -1), ((-1, 1), 1),  
                  ((0, -1), -1), ((0, 1), 1),  
                  ((1, -1), -1), ((1, 1), 1)]
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(Each element consists of the position (e.g. (1, 0)) and the weight (e.g., 1))

2. Pad the input image based on the kernel size

- For kernel size 2, do padding on the right and bottom borders by 1
- For kernel size 3, do padding on all four borders by 1
- For kernel size 5, do padding on all four borders by 2

3. Iterate over the padded image:

- For each kernel, derive the corresponding convolution result
- Record the results in a list

4. Derive the gradient magnitude based on different operators:

- For Roberts, Prewitt, Sobel, Frei & Chen: derive by summing the squares and then take the square root
- For Kirsch, Robinson, Nevatia-Babu: derive by taking the maxima

5. Compare the gradient magnitude with the threshold

- Greater or equal: assign 0 (black pixel)
- Lesser: assign 255 (white pixel)

- **Main Code Segment**

```
def DetectEdge(self, inPic, kernelLst, thr, method, ksize=3):  
    retPic = np.zeros_like(inPic)  
    paddedPic = None  
    if ksize==3: paddedPic = cv2.copyMakeBorder(inPic, 1, 1, 1, 1, cv2.BORDER_REPLICATE)
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elif ksize==5: paddedPic = cv2.copyMakeBorder(inPic, 2, 2, 2, 2, cv2.BORDER_REPLICATE)
elif ksize==2: paddedPic = cv2.copyMakeBorder(inPic, 0, 1, 0, 1, cv2.BORDER_REPLICATE)
assert paddedPic is not None

for i in range(inPic.shape[0]):
    for j in range(inPic.shape[1]):
        valLst = []
        for kernel in kernelLst:
            val = 0
            if ksize==3: val = self.ApplyKernel(paddedPic, kernel, i+1, j+1)
            elif ksize==5: val = self.ApplyKernel(paddedPic, kernel, i+2, j+2)
            elif ksize==2: val = self.ApplyKernel(paddedPic, kernel, i, j)
            valLst.append(val)
        if method == 'SQRT':
            grad = np.sqrt(np.sum(np.power(valLst, 2)))
        elif method == 'MAX':
            grad = np.max(valLst)
        if grad>=thr: retPic[i][j]=0
        else: retPic[i][j]=255
return retPic

```

- **Results**

a) Robert's Operator: 12



b) Prewitt's Edge Detector: 24



c) Sobel's Edge Detector: 38



d) Frei and Chen's Gradient Operator: 30



e) Kirsch's Compass Operator: 135



f) Robinson's Compass Operator: 43



g) Nevatia-Babu 5x5 Operator: 12500

