

Running OpenCV on Various Platforms

OpenCV is a cross-platform library and is optimized to run efficiently on various platforms. In order to do that, we use the following:

- OpenCV HAL, which includes so-called Wide Universal Intrinsic with different backends:
https://docs.opencv.org/master/d91/group_core_hal_intrin.html
- Cross-platform implementation of `cv::parallel_for_()` and `cv::Mutex`:
https://docs.opencv.org/master/d7/dff/tutorial_how_to_use_OpenCV_parallel_for_.html
- A wrapper on top of dynamically loaded OpenCL runtime, so-called Transparent API (T-API):
<https://learnopencv.com/opencv-transparent-api/>
- Optimized cross-platform and platform-specific low-level libraries, such as Intel IPP, open-source or vendor-supplied BLAS & LAPACK implementations, Eigen etc.
- A runtime dispatcher to choose the optimal branches out of several available options:
<https://github.com/opencv/opencv/wiki/CPU-optimizations-build-options>
- Various backends for our Deep Learning Module, see <https://github.com/opencv/opencv/wiki/Deep-Learning-in-OpenCV>

In the subsections you can also find information about running OpenCV on some specific platforms.