

Training Report Day-26

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OpenCV (Open Source Computer Vision Library) is an open-source computer vision and machine learning software library. It provides a wide range of tools and functions for processing images and videos, making it a powerful tool for computer vision applications like face detection, object tracking, edge detection, and more. OpenCV is widely used in applications ranging from real-time image processing to advanced machine learning models in computer vision.

Here's a guide to using OpenCV in Python, including how to install it, read and display images, basic operations, and some common applications.

1. Installing OpenCV

You can install OpenCV via pip:

```
pip install opencv-python
```

```
pip install opencv-python-headless # For environments without GUI support
```

2. Reading and Displaying Images

OpenCV provides functions to read, display, and save images.

```
import cv2
```

```
# Read an image
```

```
image = cv2.imread('path_to_image.jpg')
```

```
# Display the image in a window
```

```
cv2.imshow('Image', image)
```

```
# Wait until a key is pressed, then close the window
```

```
cv2.waitKey(0)
```

```
cv2.destroyAllWindows()
```

3. Basic Image Operations

3.1 Converting to Grayscale

Convert the image to grayscale, which is often useful for tasks like edge detection or thresholding.

```
gray_image = cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
```

```
cv2.imshow('Grayscale Image', gray_image)
```

```
cv2.waitKey(0)
```

```
cv2.destroyAllWindows()
```

4. Image Processing Techniques

4.1 Blurring

Blurring is useful for reducing noise in an image.

Applying Gaussian Blur

```
blurred_image = cv2.GaussianBlur(image, (15, 15), 0)
```

```
cv2.imshow('Blurred Image', blurred_image)
```

```
cv2.waitKey(0)
```

```
cv2.destroyAllWindows()
```

```
edges = cv2.Canny(gray_image, 100, 200)
```

```
cv2.imshow('Edges', edges)
```

```
cv2.waitKey(0)
```

```
cv2.destroyAllWindows()
```

5. Video Processing

OpenCV can also capture and process video streams, either from a file or from a camera.

Open video capture (0 for default camera)

cap = cv2.VideoCapture(0)

while True:

Capture frame-by-frame

ret, frame = cap.read()

if not ret:

break

Convert to grayscale

gray_frame = cv2.cvtColor(frame, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)

Display the resulting frame

cv2.imshow('Video Stream', gray_frame)

Press 'q' to exit

if cv2.waitKey(1) & 0xFF == ord('q'):

break

Release the capture and close windows

cap.release()

cv2.destroyAllWindows()

