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We Empower People with Disabilities
to live independently using innovative
solutions based on AI
Let's Talk Sign®
Interpreter Anytime, Anywhere.
Will Empower millions of Deaf,
Speech & Hearing impaired
people to 'Live Independently'
and will enable Businesses to
be Inclusive.

‘Hearing Impairment’ impacts 466m* in the world and 80m# in India

Shortage of schools & interpreters for **Educating in Sign Language**

Lack of **job opportunities**

Social **isolation and discrimination**

Restricted access to essential services due to absence of solutions

Deaf, speech & hearing impaired individuals

Family members struggle to **communicate**

Captions & Transcriptions do not help as ~95% of deaf know only sign language

‘Communication’ barrier is just one of the many challenges…

…there is hardly any solution

* WHO and # Based on estimation that 63m in 2016 IJO

5 variants to address all key challenges of deaf, speech & hearing impaired people

Communication

For **Personal Communications** (on phone)

1

Education in Sign Language

For **Interpreting** Text Books by deaf students to learn in ISL

2

Digital Content Accessibility

For **Interpreting Digital Contents on Websites (Accessibility for deaf)**

3

Inclusion at Workplace

For **Workplace Communications** (on phone & PC)

4

Customer Support Accessibility

For **enabling Chatbots to communicate in Sign Language**

5

Access to essential Services

For **Communication in public offices** (on kiosks)

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One variant of Let'sTalkSign to solve each challenge

Lets discuss about what is AI

AI for Assistive Technology Accessibility

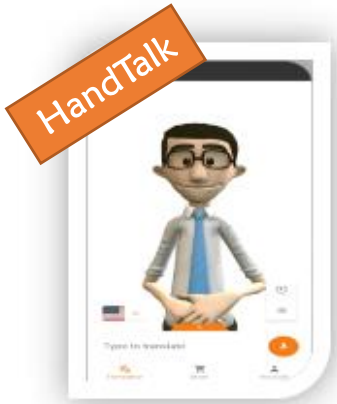
AI can 'SEE' and 'READ'

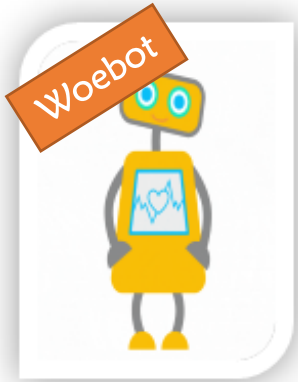
Reason1: AI can 'see' – Computer Vision

- **Recognizing objects:** solution for blind & visually impaired.
  Ex: SmartCane by IIT Delhi
- **Action recognition:** solution for deaf for interpreting sign language.
  Ex: Let'sTalkSign

Reason2: AI can 'read' – Natural Language Understanding

- **Language Translation:** any language to Sign Language.
  Ex: HandTalk (Brazilian Sign Language), Let'sTalkSign
- **Chatbots and auto-responses:** for providing mental health assistance.
  Ex: Woebot does survey based analysis





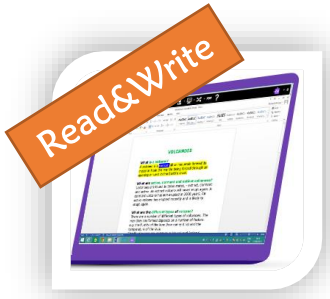
AI can 'HEAR' and 'TALK'

Reason3: AI can 'hear' – Speech Recognition

- **Voice controlled devices:** for people with physical disabilities.
  Ex: Smart Home devices like Echo or Home
- **Audio transcription:** solution for hearing impaired.
  Ex: SpeakLiz, Ava

Reason4: AI can 'talk' – Speech Synthesis

- **Text-to-Speech:** solution for dyslexia patients.
  Ex: Read&Write
- **Voice synthesis:** solution for people who lost their voice.
  Ex: Avaz



AI can 'CONVERSE' and 'DO TASKS'

Reason5: AI can 'make conversations' – Conversational AI

- **Virtual Assistants:** solution for people with disabilities & blind.

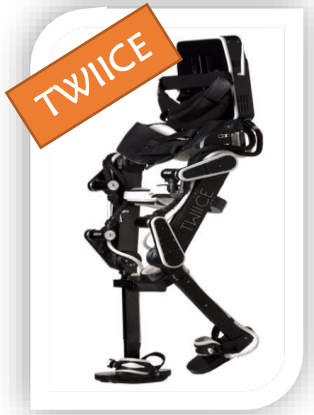
  Ex: Google Assistant, MS Cortana

- **Chatbots:** for personalized & contextual conversations for elderly & people with mental illness, autism, etc.

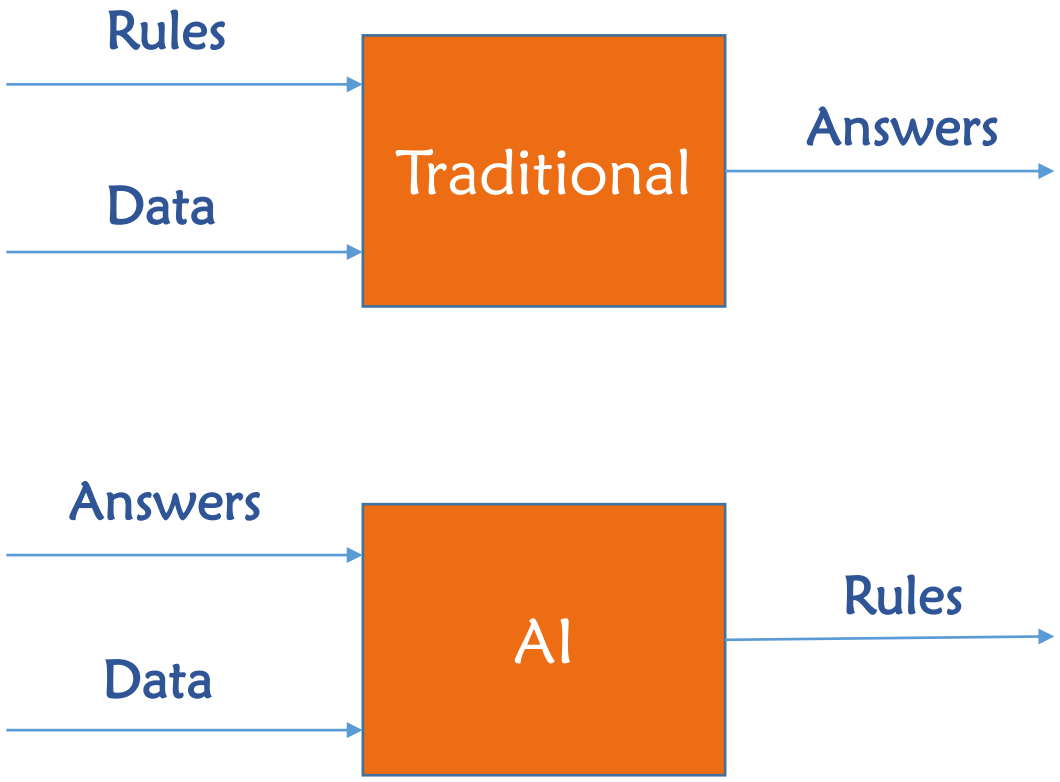
Reason6: AI can 'do tasks' – Robotics

- **Smart exoskeleton, Smart prosthetics:** for people with physical disabilities to do physical activities.

  Ex: TWIICE by Switzerland's Technical University



Traditional programming vs AI programming



Traditional	AI
Developing computing functionality by writing instructions using programming language.	AI is a module that can self-learn and improve. Functionality of AI is formed by training.
Output depends entirely on the algorithms implemented	Output depends on multiple factors like dataset, features chosen, model arch, hyperparameters, training approach, etc.
Well defined algorithms for different functionalities needed	Need to figure-out the best algorithm for model by using appropriate dataset and experimenting with various architectures

Our project:
Model to identify whether a person is 'signing' or not

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Our Project

Input image

Model

Not Signing

Signing

Purpose of this model?

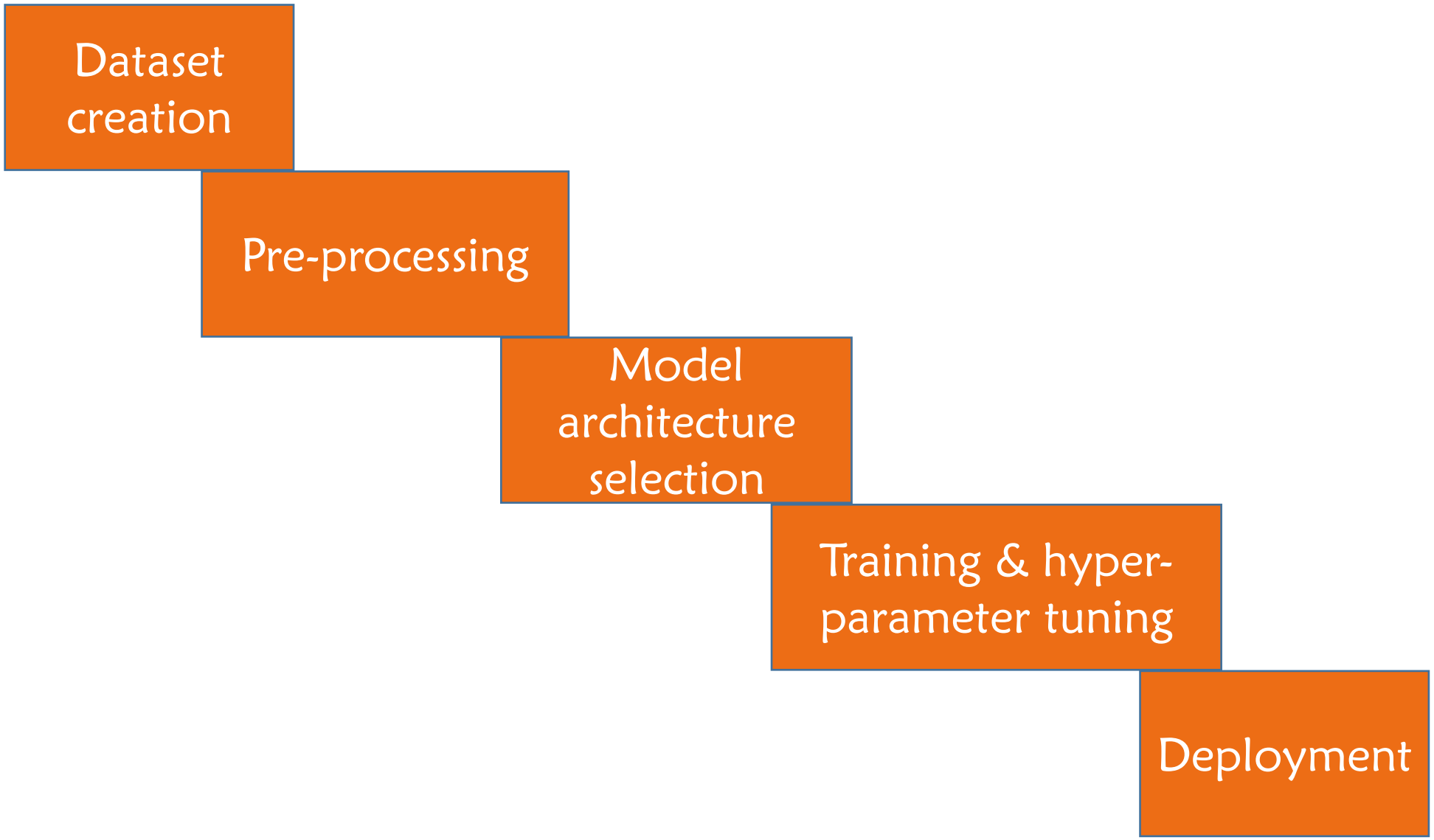
Uses

- in video conferencing apps – helps in detecting if a deaf person in the call is signing or not so that the other participants can be informed about it
- in our communication app – helps decide when to start & stop our sign recognition technique

Advantages

- in video conferencing apps – helps give chance to deaf attendees interject conversations and share their inputs
- in our communication app – helps save unnecessary usage of compute power on devices like smartphones, kiosks, etc.

Steps involved in creating a deep learning model?



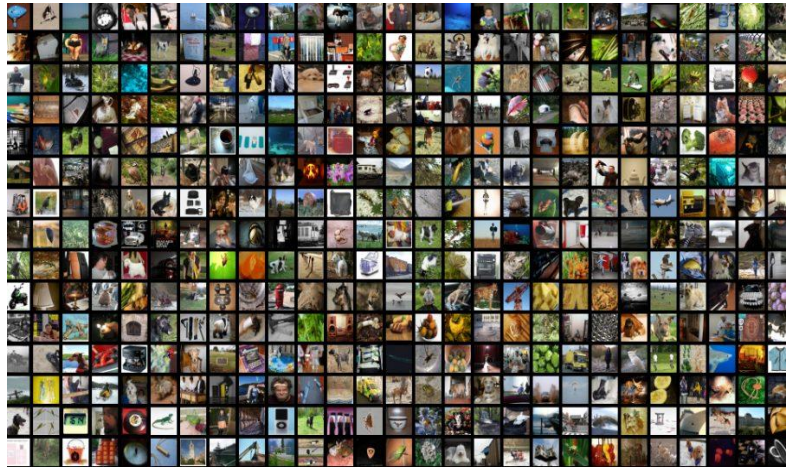
Dataset creation

What is a dataset ?

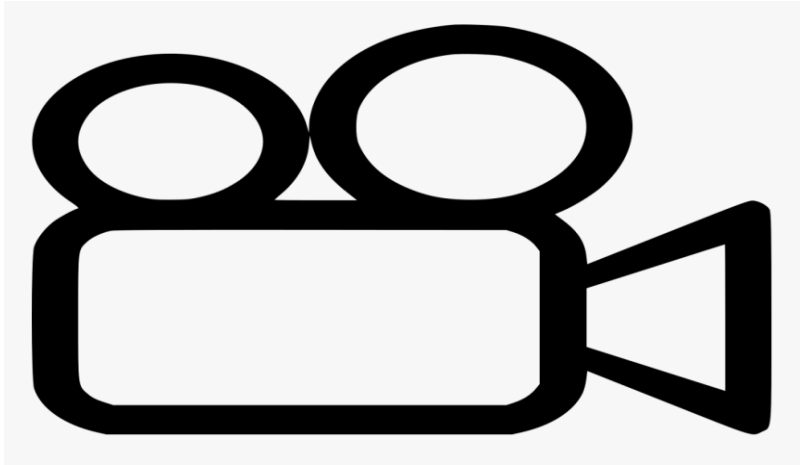
Types of data

Sound

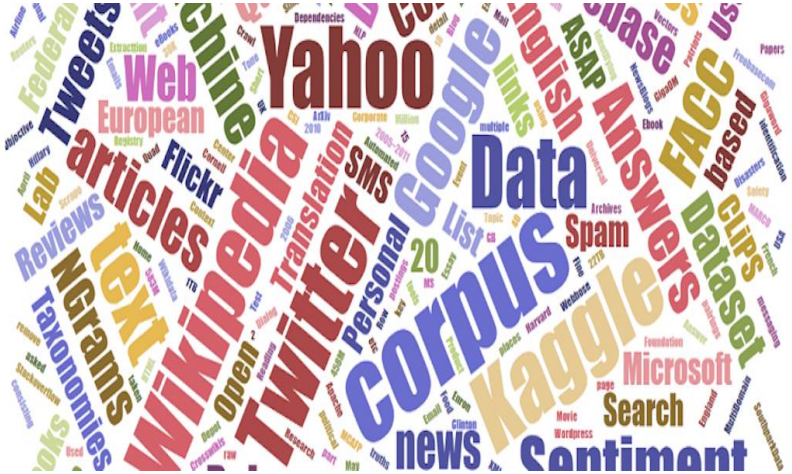
Image



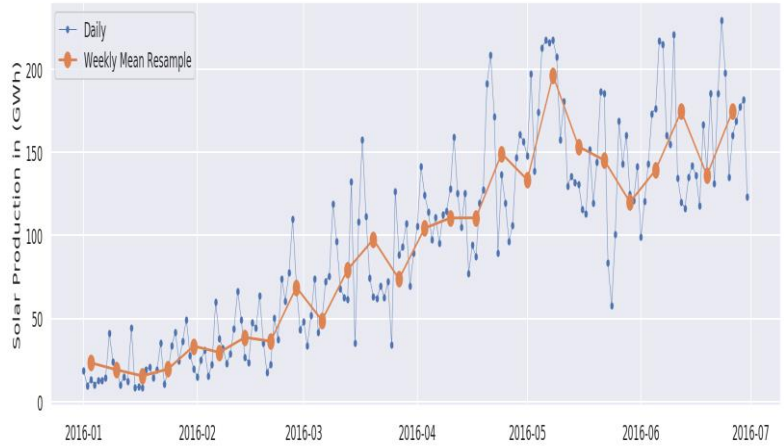
Video



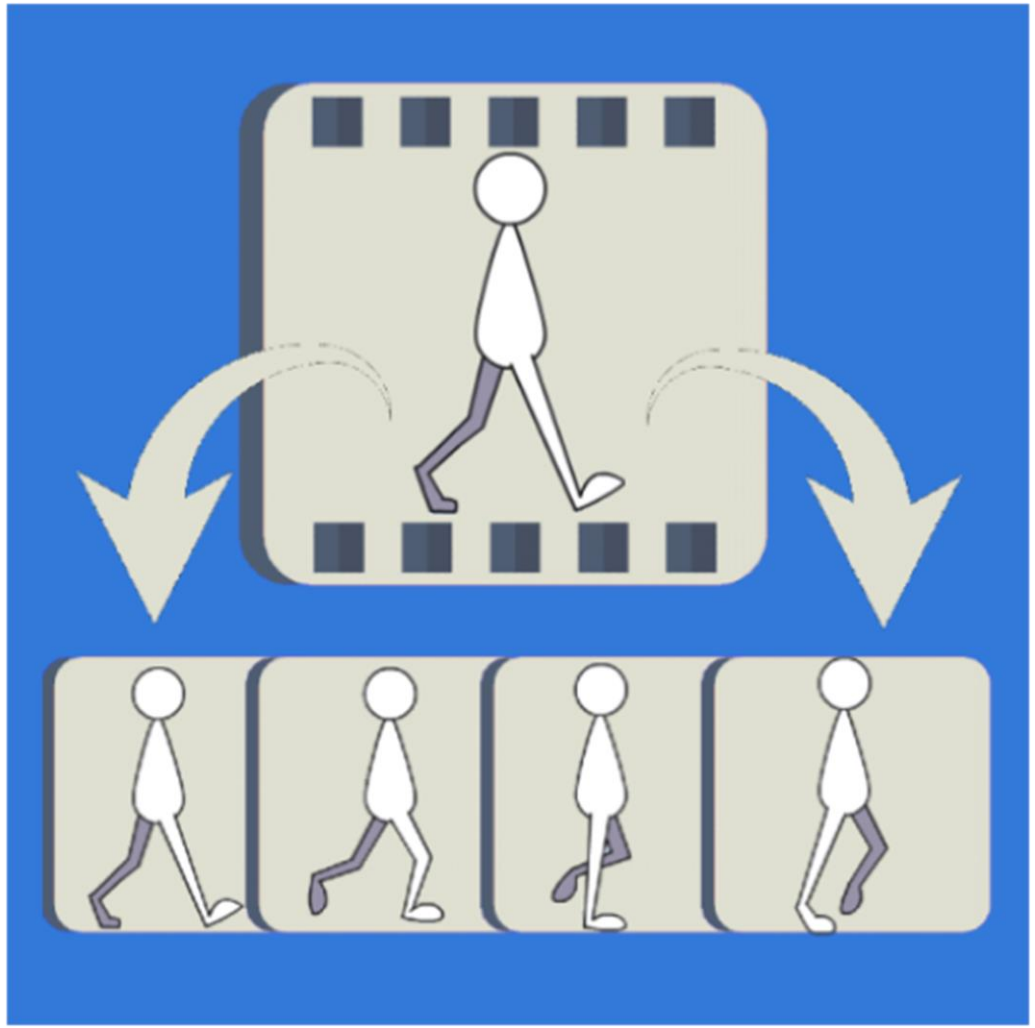
Text



Time series



What composes a video?



- A video is basically a collection of frames stitched together temporally.
- In our case we don't need the temporal information to predict whether a person is signing or not.
- So we are going to convert the input the video to frames using a tool called as ffmpeg.

Pre-Processing

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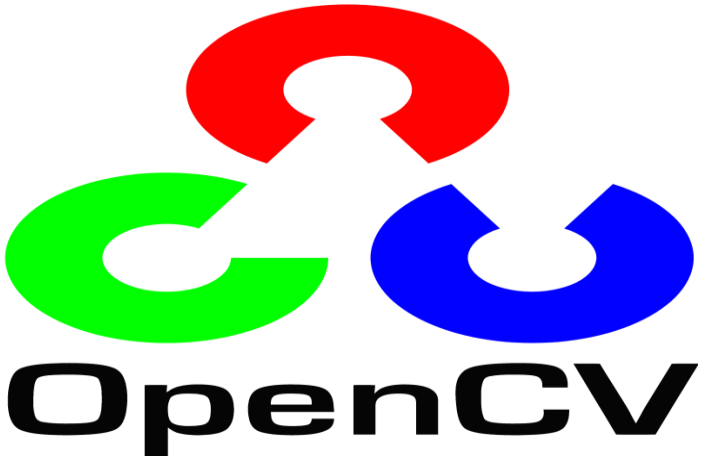
Libraries required



OS Module

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>>> import os
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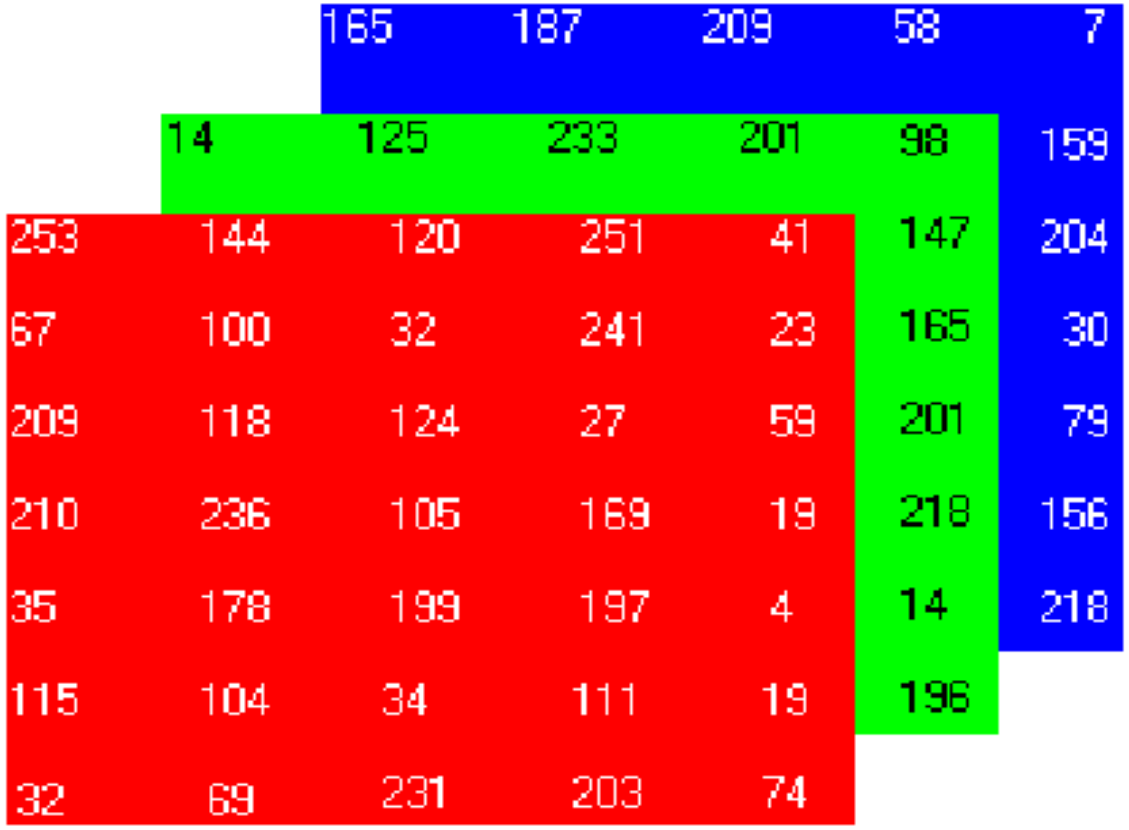
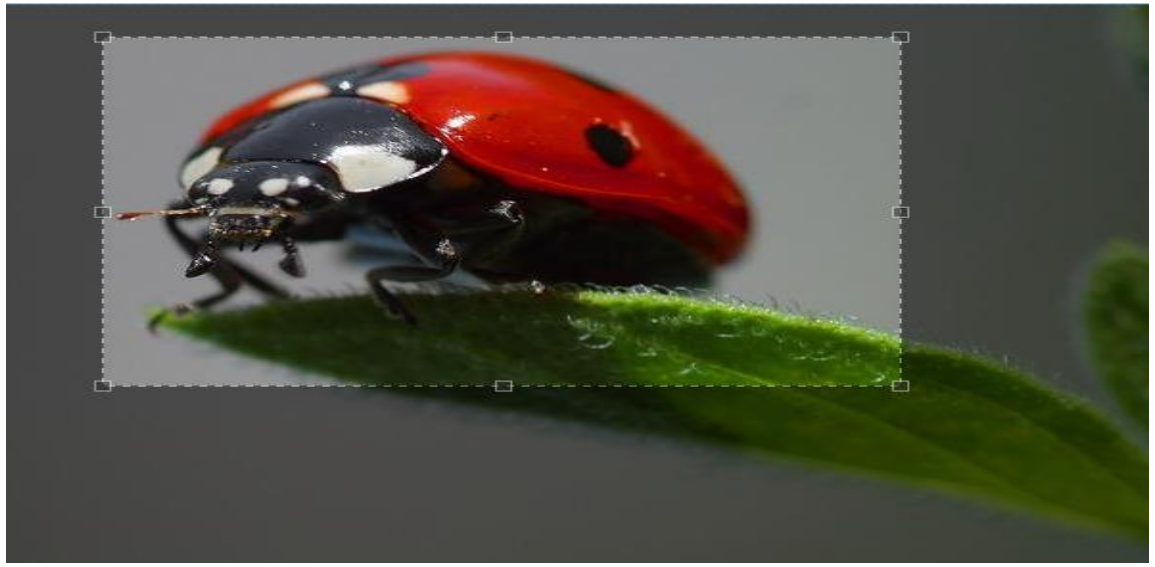
Digital image

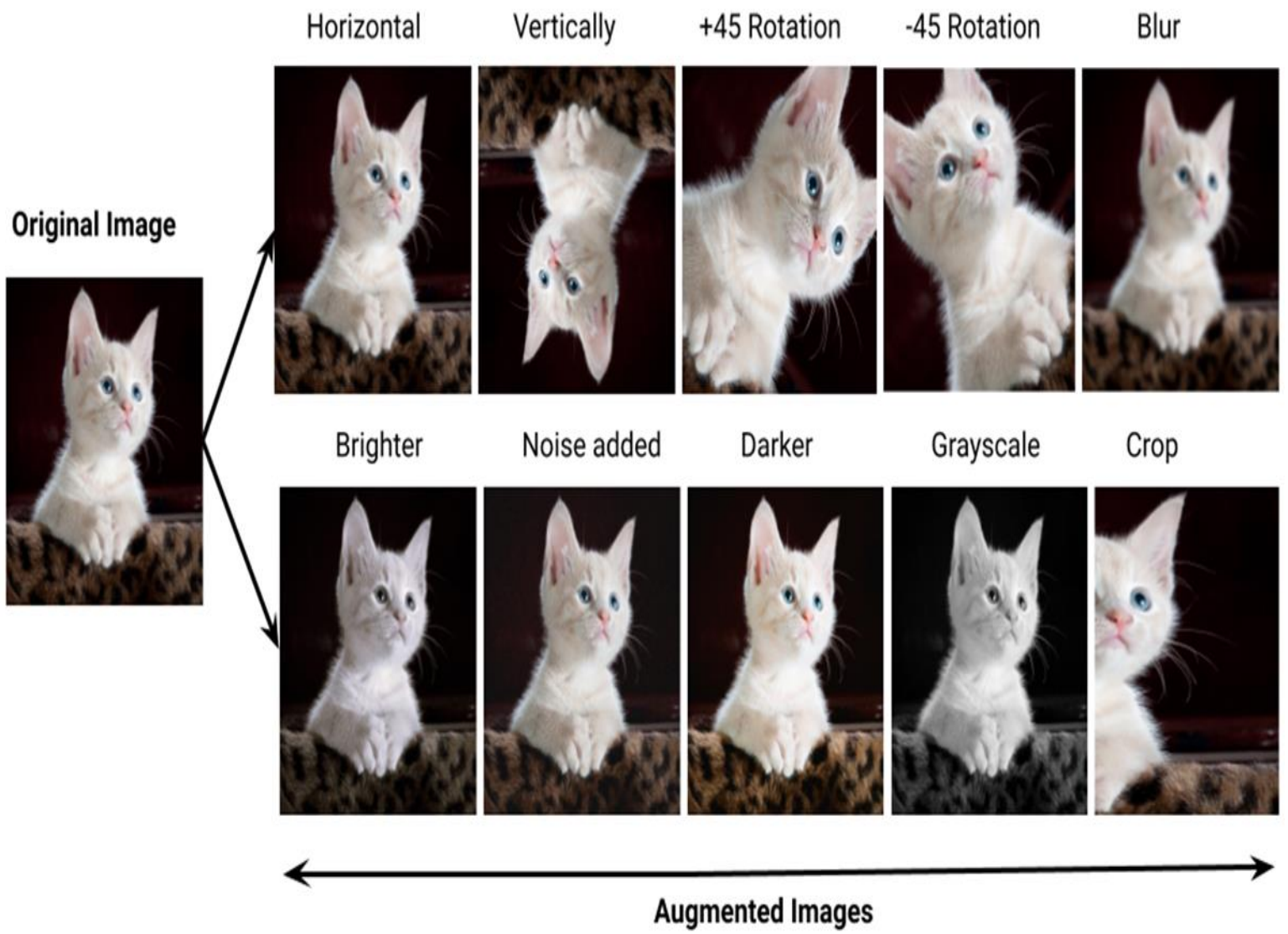


Cropping & Resizing



Feature selection

Augmentation



A small intro to open-cv

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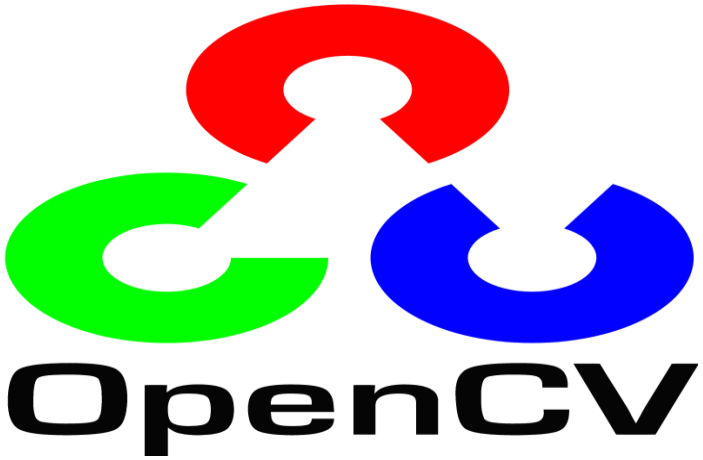
Some operations that can be done using Open - CV



- Image translation
- Rotation
- Affine transformation
- Image Blurring
- Image gradients

Image translations

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Rotation

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Affine transformation

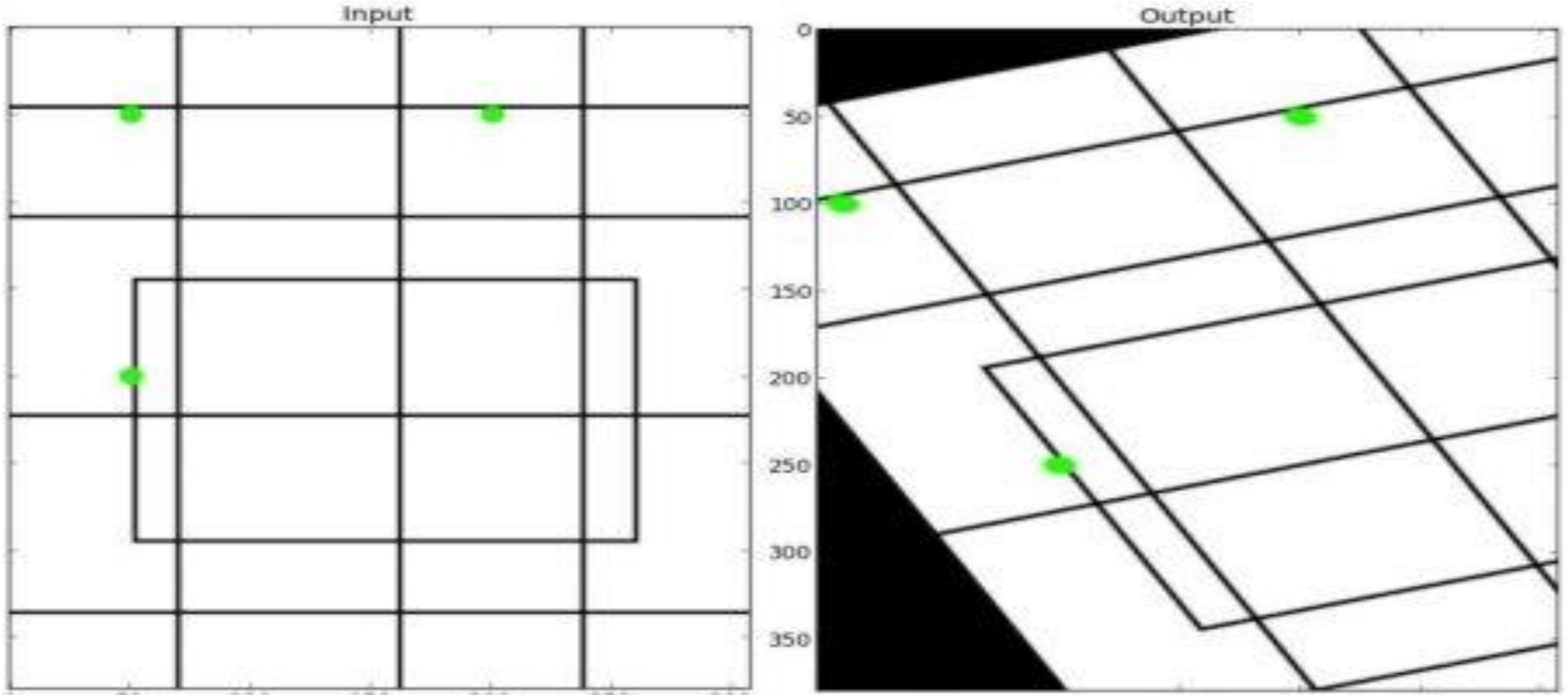

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Image blurring

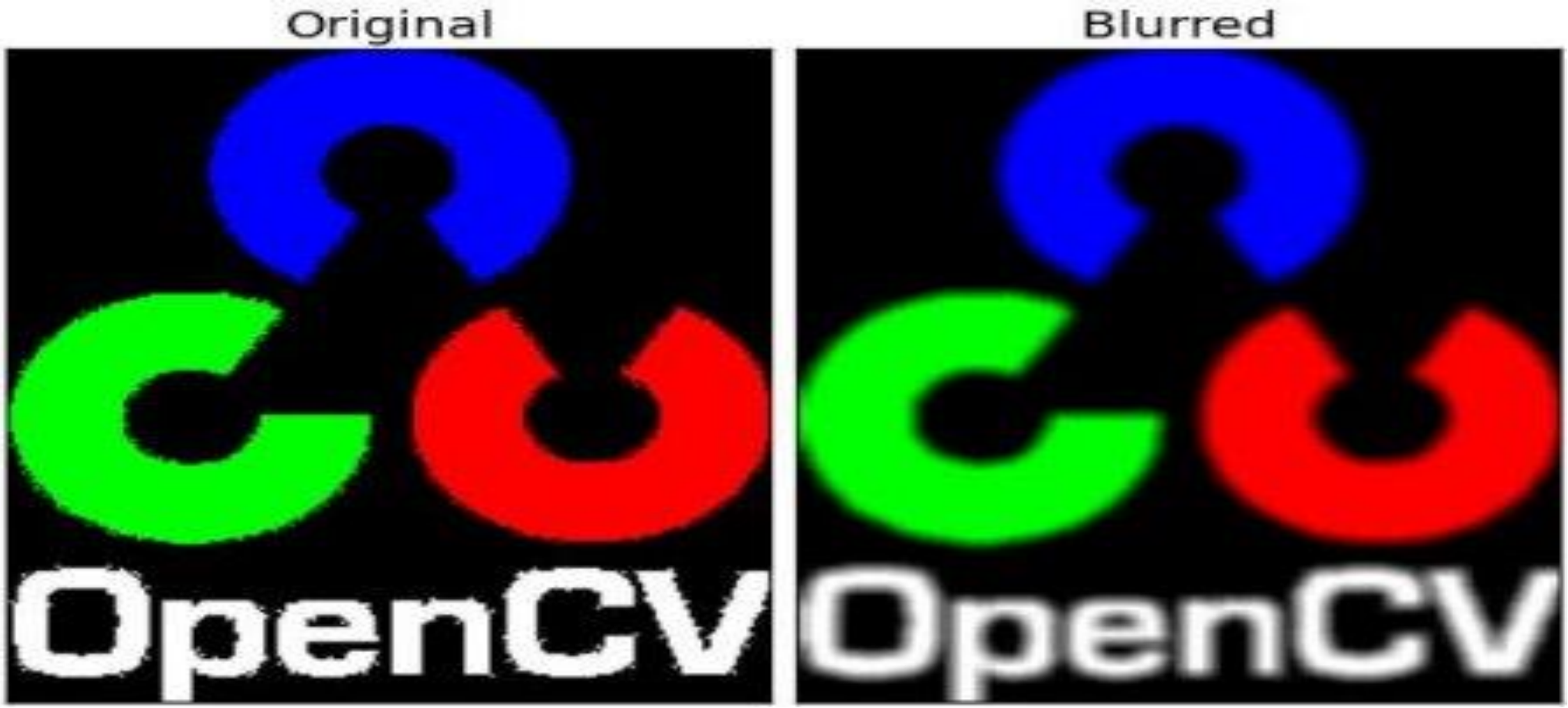

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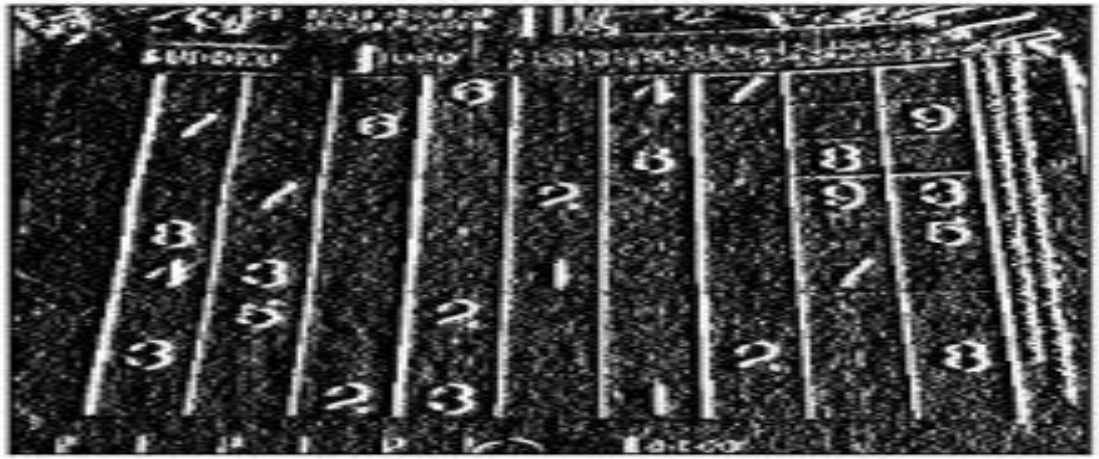
Image gradients

Original

Laplacian

Sobel X



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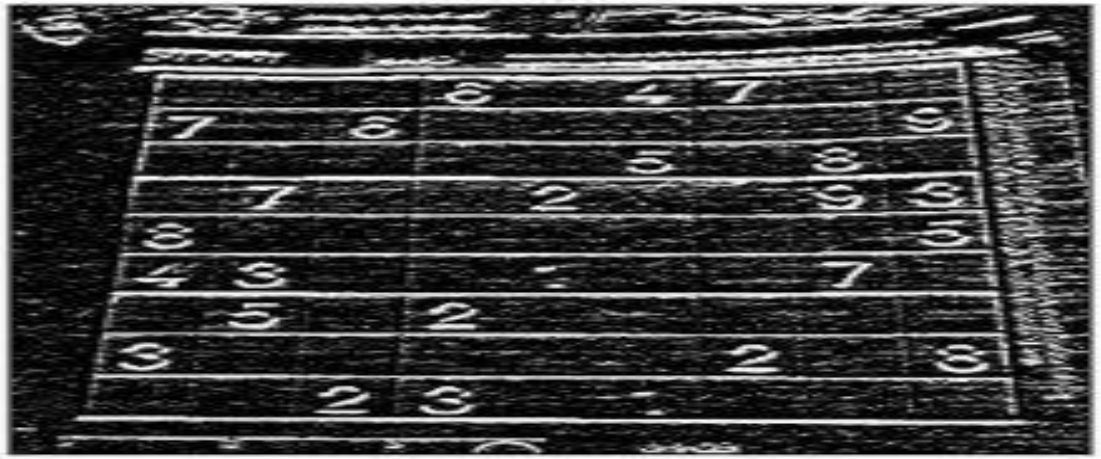

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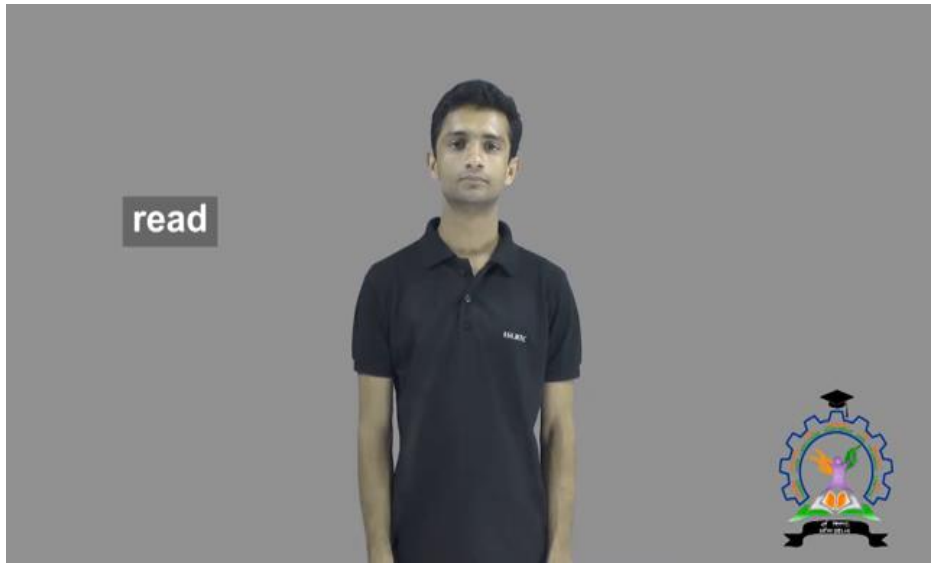
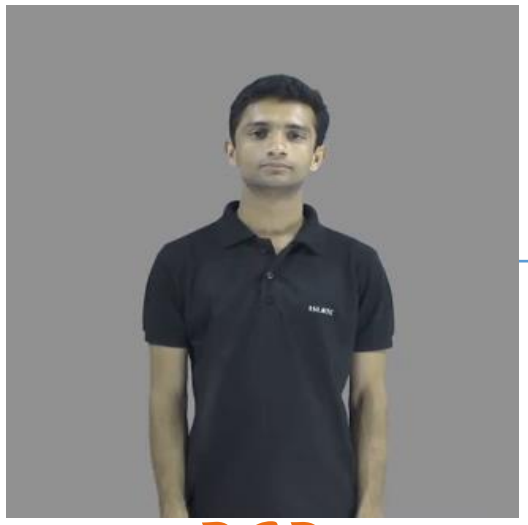
The techniques we are going to use

Convert video to frames

Cropping and resizing (Pre-processing)

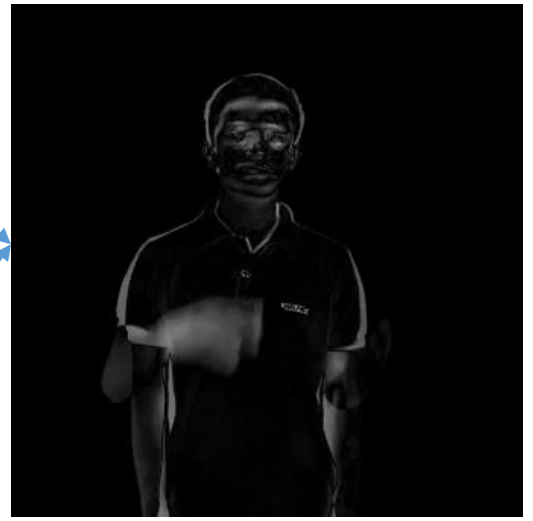


Feature selection (Pre-processing)



RGB

B&W



ABSDIFF

Augmentation

Input

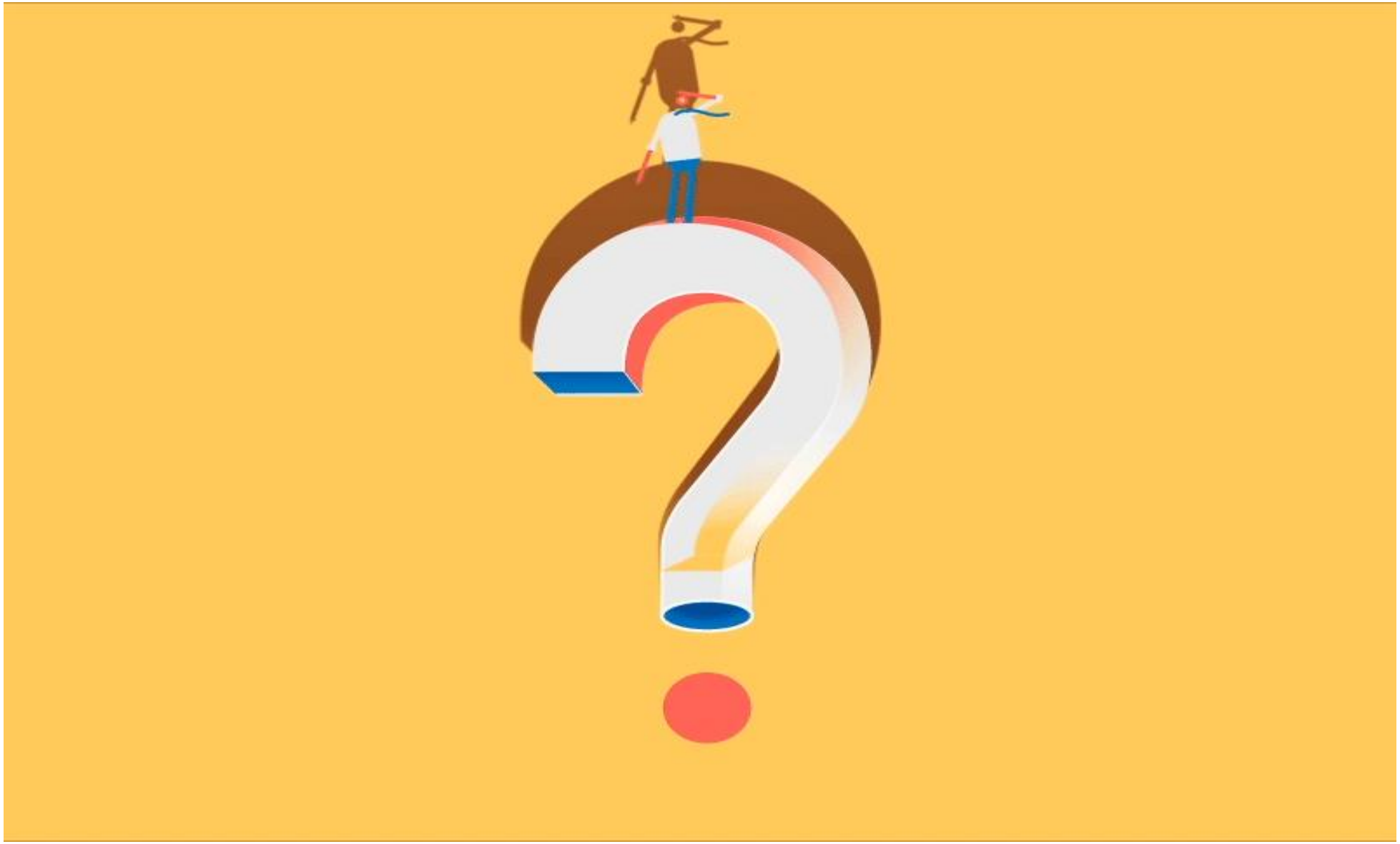
Rotate

Flip

TROUBLE SHOOTING & TIPS

- In google colab you cannot display a image as you normally do in opencv as a work around you can use a patch in colab which you can import to display a image.
- You can also attach your google drive to colab and use the dataset from there.
- In opencv there is no build in function to rotate a image based on the angle but you can use numpy to build a function for it. Like this you can manipulate the image in multiple ways with your own functions build using numpy.

Any doubts



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