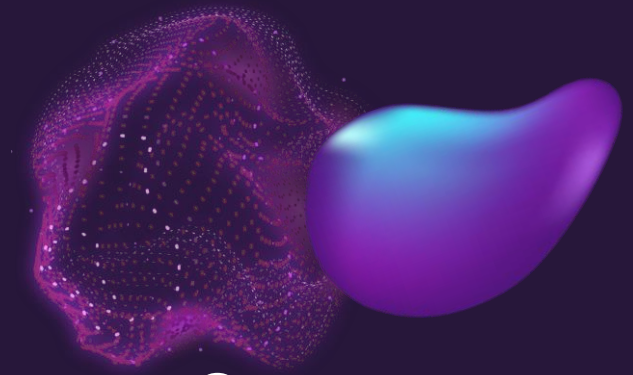

Image Processing & Computer Vision

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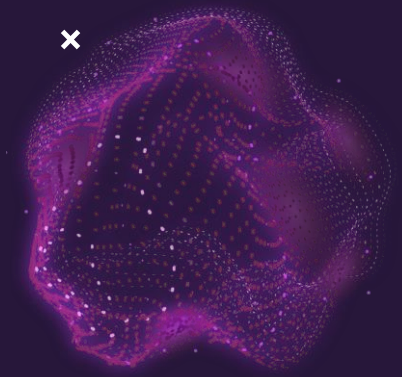
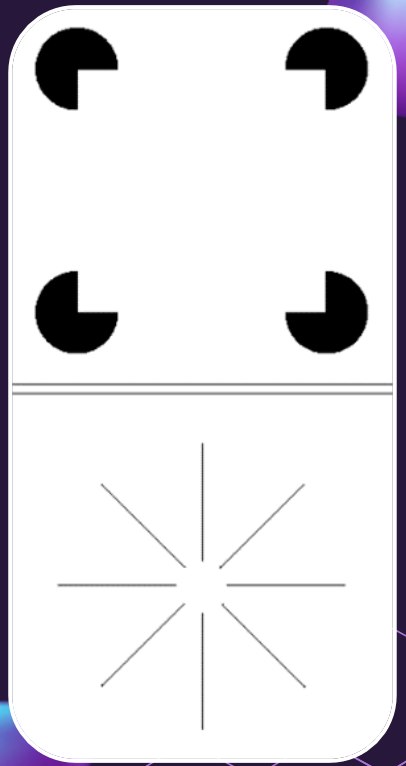
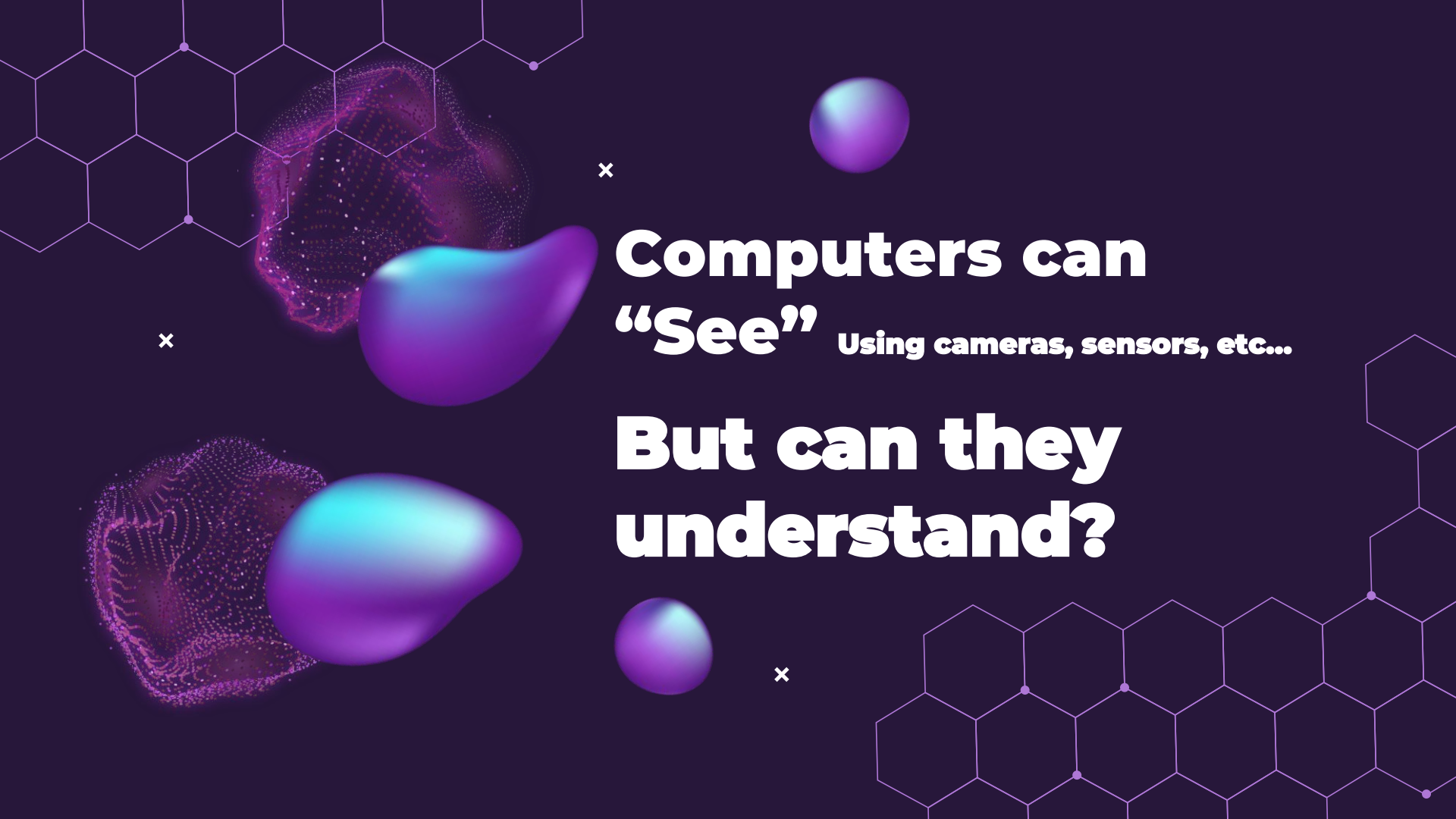
Introduction

Vision VS Computer Vision

The human vision system is made to “understand” the scene, not just measure the light.





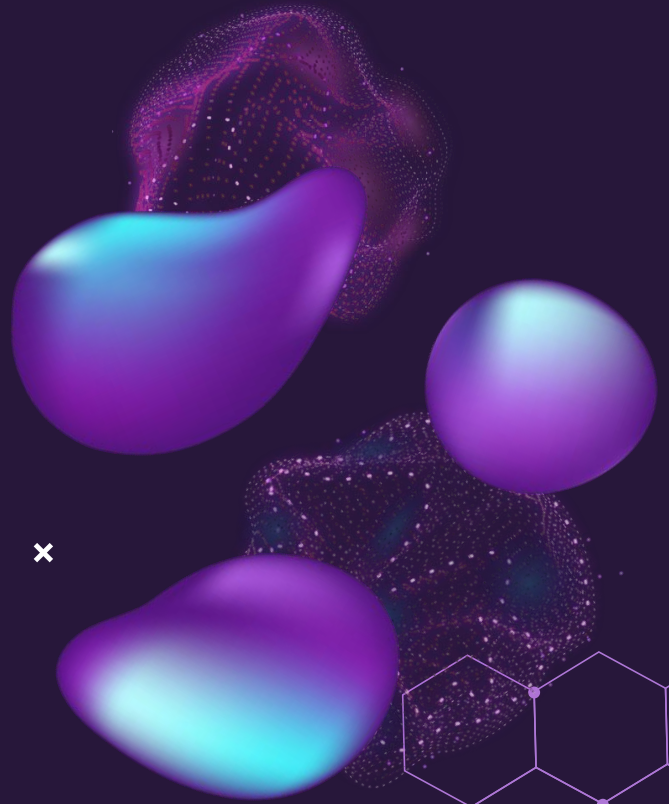

Computers can “See” Using cameras, sensors, etc...
But can they understand?

Digital Image Processing

Attempts to make computers understand what they see

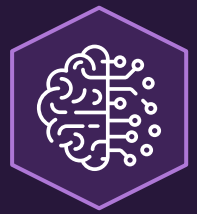
→ Computer Vision

- Where are the cars ?
- Where are the humans ?
- How far is that tree ?
- What is the plate number of this car ?



Using What?

Image formation



Transformation Algorithm

Filtering Algorithm

And others...

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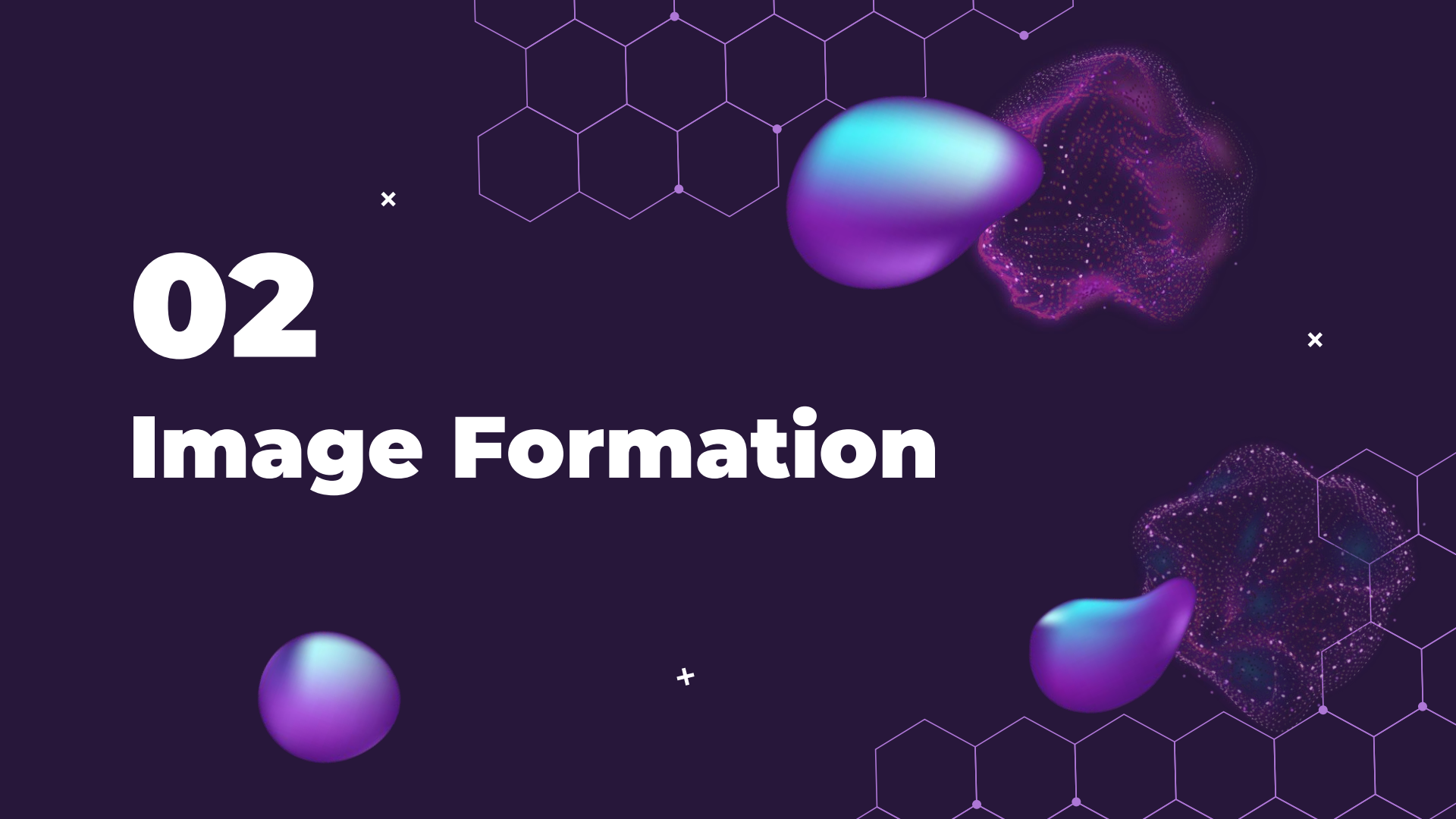
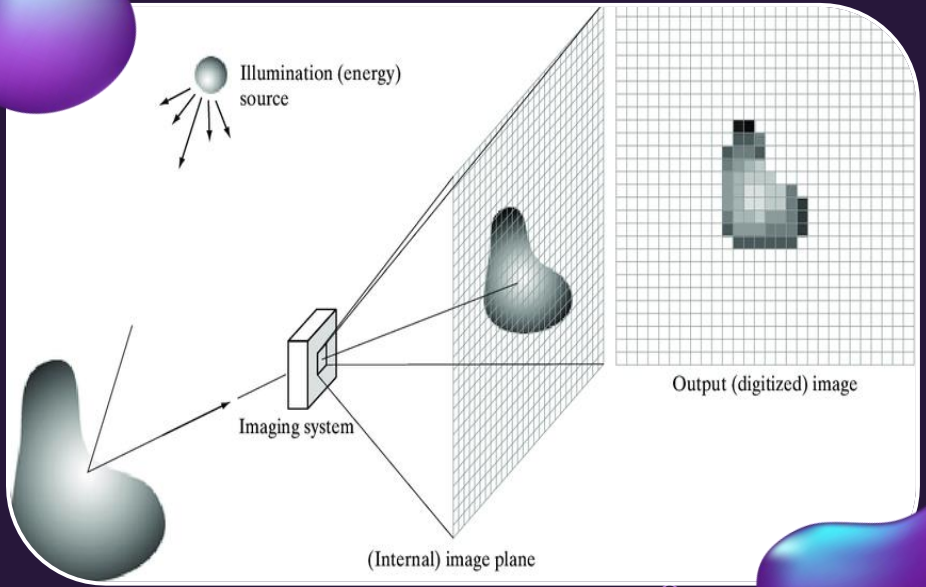
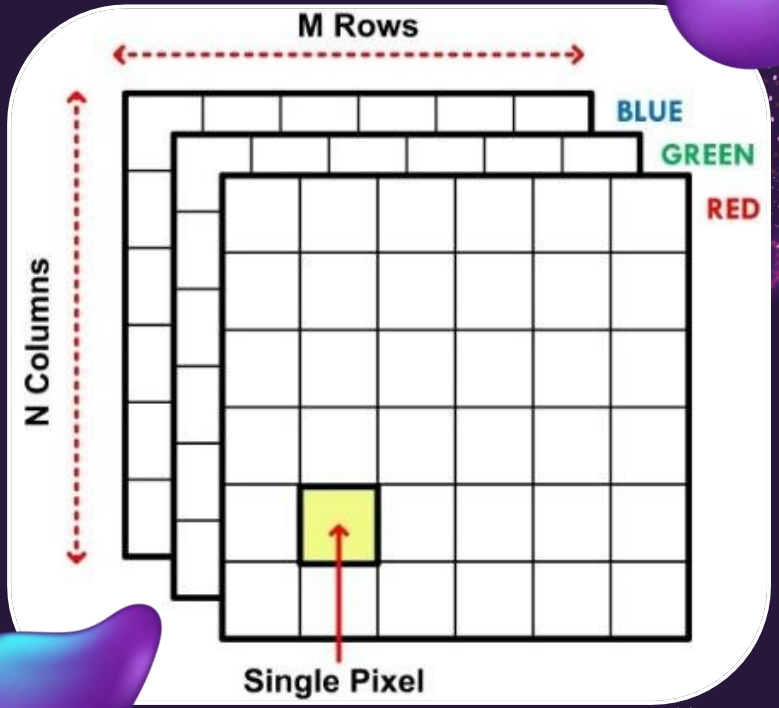
Image Formation



Process of capturing and representing visual information in the form of digital images





Digital Image

- 2D Function

> Position → Intensity (0-255)

> (x,y) → f(x,y)

- Matrix for each color

> RGB → 3 Matrixes

> Grayscale → 1 Matrix

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Image Transformation

Image Transformation

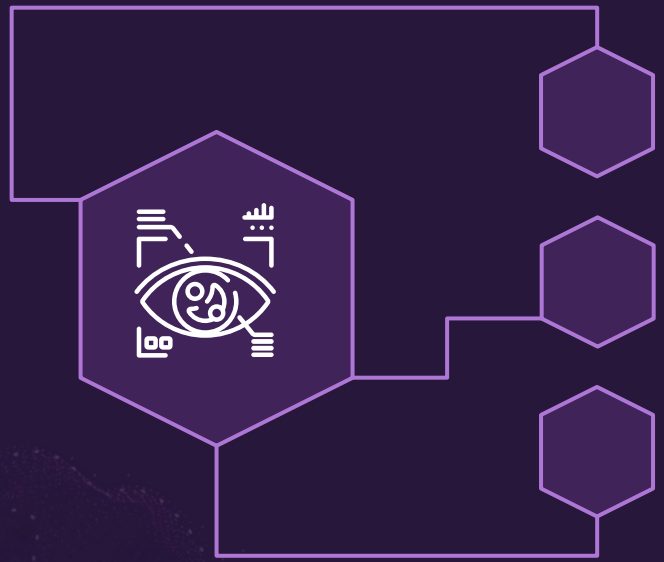


Image Negative

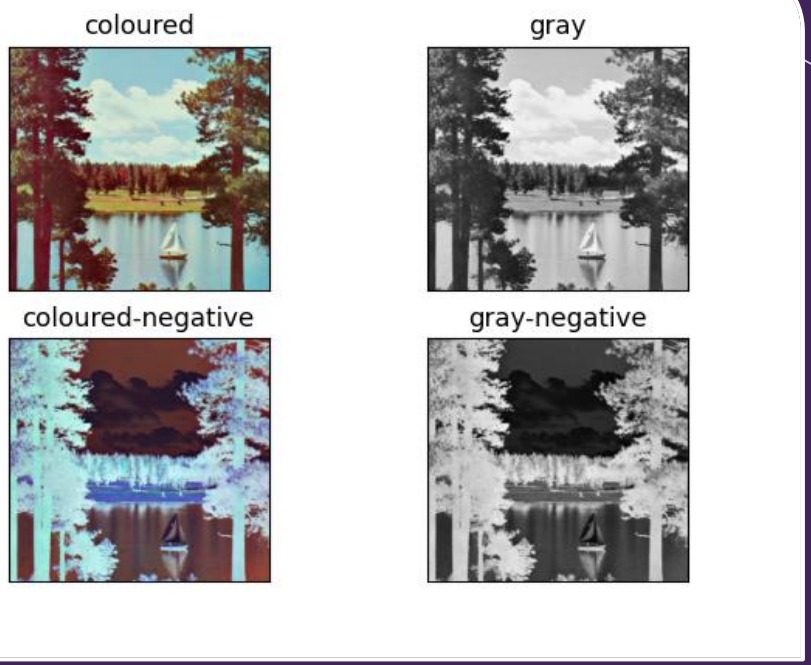
Reverse Colors for greyscale images

Thresholding

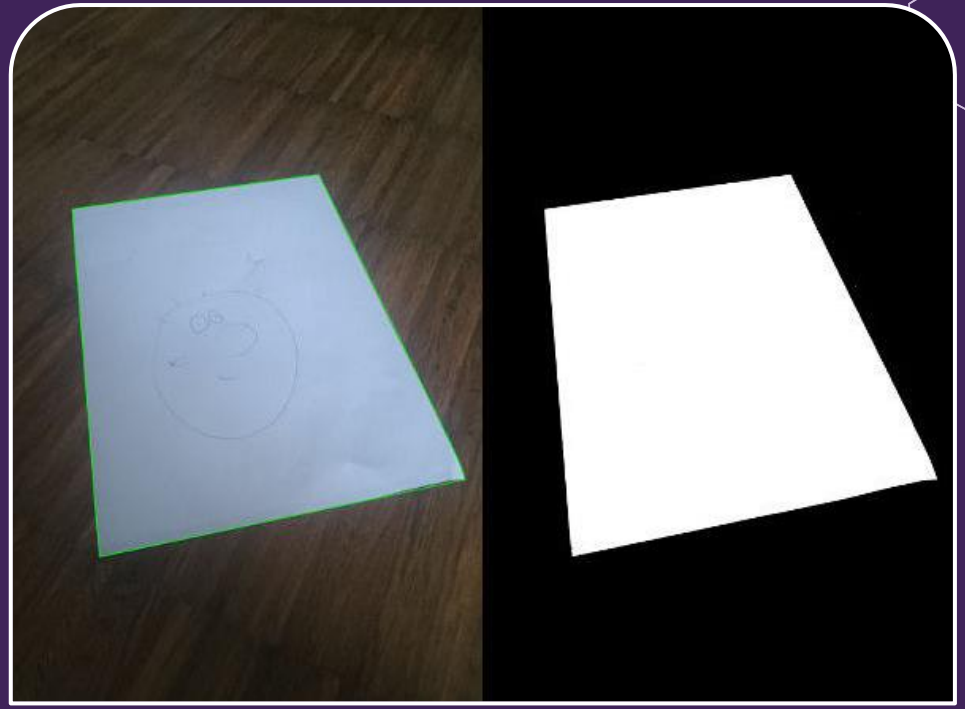
Binarization: Black and White

Histogram Equalization

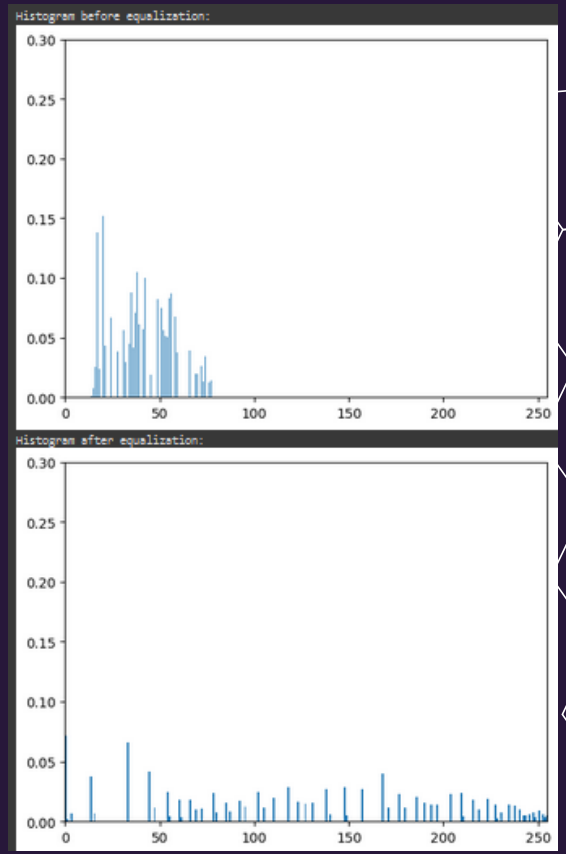
Used for contrast enhancement

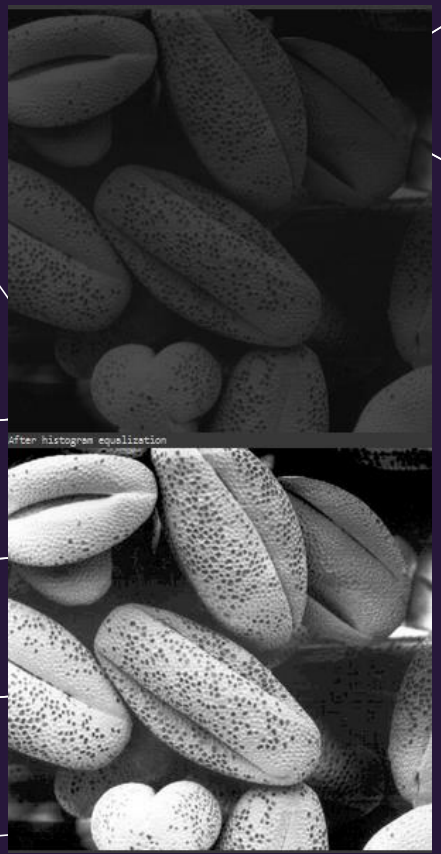


Negative Image



Thresholding





Histogram Equalization

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Image Filtering

Convolution

An image kernel is a small matrix used to apply effects
→ as blurring, sharpening, outlining....

Also used in machine learning for 'Feature Extraction'
→ a technique for determining the most

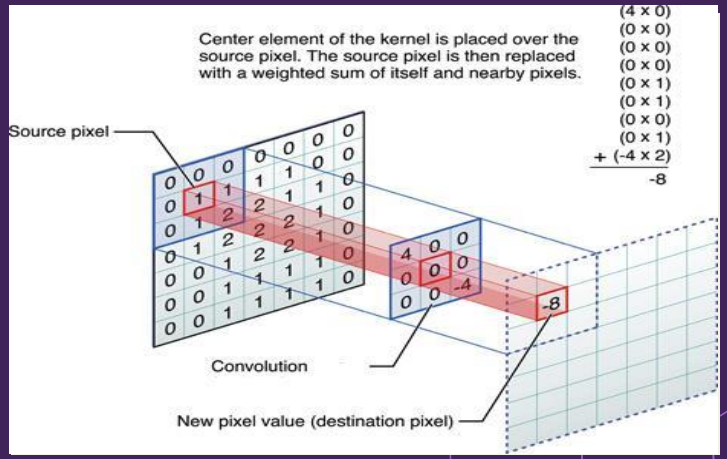


Image kernel

blur

0.0625	0.125	0.0625
0.125	0.25	0.125
0.0625	0.125	0.0625

De-emphasizes differences

sharpen

0	-1	0
-1	5	-1
0	-1	0

emphasizes differences in adjacent pixel values

outline

-1	-1	-1
-1	8	-1
-1	-1	-1

Highlight large differences in pixel values

05

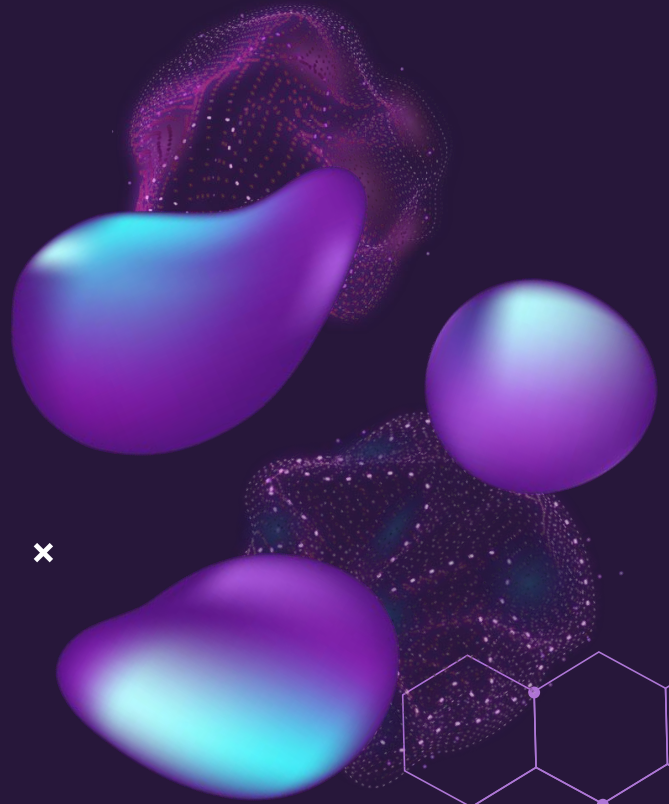
Code & Demo

Plate number recognition program

Text detection and recognition in images

Acording to Chen, Odobez & Bourlard (2004), the method is split into two main parts:

- the detection of text lines,
- followed by the recognition of text in these lines.



Our Libraries

OpenCV

Real-time optimized Computer Vision library, tools, and hardware.

EasyOCR

Python package that allows to perform Optical Character Recognition.

Plate Number Recognition Road Map

Step 1

Image reading and processing (trans to gray, bluring)

Step 2

Contour and edge detection for potentiel plate

Step 3

Processing each region using OCR (easyOCR)

Step 4

Analysing obtained data and showing result

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