Lab 2 - Introduction to OpenCV

- Image operations; reading and displaying images with different formats, direct pixel manipulation.
- Example of a mathematical operation: image subtraction.
- Interaction: selecting pixels and drawing on an image.
- Conversion between color spaces.

2.1 Direct pixel manipulation

Read again the lena.jpg image and create a copy of the image (function copy).

Access the pixels values of the copied image, set to 0 every pixel of the copy image whose intensity value is less than 128 in the original image, you can access a given pixel as an array image[x,y].

Display the original image and the modified image.

Modify the code to allow reading the name of the gray-level image from the command line. Do not forget to import the system library (import sys) to allow the access to the command line arguments (sys.argv[1])

2.2 Simple mathematical operation: image subtraction

Based on the previous example, create a new program that reads and displays the two image files **deti.bmp** and **deti.jpg**.

To identify possible differences between the two images, carry out a **subtraction** operation. Be careful since the cv subtract operation is saturated and is different from the numpy – operations that is a modulo operations.

Analyze the resulting image.

Optional

Open an image of your choice in an image editor and save it on file using the **jpeg** format with different compression ratios.

Compare the results of the image subtraction operation for different compression ratios.

2.3 Interaction: selecting a pixel and drawing a circle

Modify the previous example to open and display just one image. Add a callback function to detect a right mouse click on the window and draw filled circle should be drawn, with center on the selected image pixel (function cv2.circle).

To register the new callback function use:

```
def mouse_handler(event, x, y, flags, params):
if event == cv2.EVENT_LBUTTONDOWN:
    print("left click")
```

Do not forget to associate the callback to each window using the following code:

```
cv2.setMouseCallback("Window", mouse handler)
```

2.4 Conversion between color spaces

Load a color image and use the function **cvtColor** to convert it to a gray-level image (COLOR_RGB2GRAY).

Optional

Consult the documentation for the function **cvtColor** and modify the example to visualize the image in different color spaces (for instance: COLOR_RGB2HLS, COLOR_RGB2XYZ, COLOR_RGB2HSV)