Lab4 - Moving Object Tracking

In this lab you will learn how to separate foreground object from background scene to track the object by subtracting two video frames.

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Step 1: Reading Video

Let's read movie and show the 1st and 75th frame.

```
f = VideoReader('bike.avi');
mov = read(f);
I = mov(:,:,:,1);
imshow(I);
```



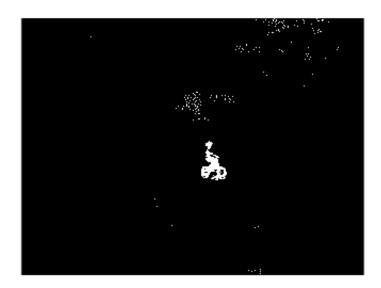
```
J = mov(:,:,:,75);
imshow(J);
```



Step 2: Finding Difference

Let's find the three possible differences and convert them to binary image in which foreground will be white and background black.

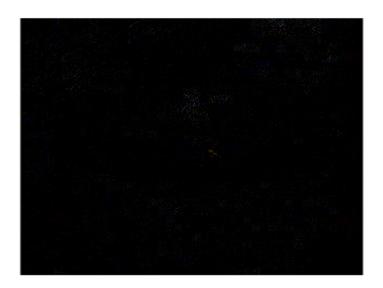
```
% I - J
close all
D1 = I-J;
B1 = im2bw(D1,.1);
figure, imshow(D1);
figure, imshow(B1);
```





```
% J - I
close all
D2 = J-I;
B2 = im2bw(D2,.1);
figure, imshow(D2);
figure, imshow(B2);
```





```
% |I - J|
close all
D3 = imabsdiff(I,J);
B3 = im2bw(D3,.1);
figure, imshow(D3);
figure, imshow(B3);
```





Step 3: Finding Interesting Properties of Blobs

Blobs are the foreground objects which are white in color in binary images. We can extract various properties of those objects using library function **regionprops** (type **doc regionsprops** for more information)

We will use the absolute difference (why?) to exctract BoundingBox property for each blob.

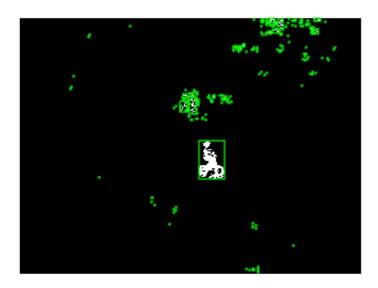
```
P = regionprops(B3,'BoundingBox');
len = size(P)
P(1).BoundingBox
P(2).BoundingBox
P(5:7).BoundingBox
P(len).BoundingBox
```

```
len =
   155
           1
ans =
   47.5000
             66.5000
                         1.0000
                                   1.0000
ans =
   48.5000
             64.5000
                         1.0000
                                   1.0000
ans =
                         1.0000
                                   1.0000
   65.5000
             15.5000
ans =
   74.5000 149.5000
                         1.0000
                                   1.0000
ans =
  103.5000
              7.5000
                         1.0000
                                   1.0000
ans =
             27.5000
                         1.0000
                                   1.0000
  295.5000
ans =
   47.5000
             66.5000
                         1.0000
                                   1.0000
```

Step 4: Drawing Bounding Boxes

Let's draw a rectangle (i.e. BoundingBox) around each blob in a figure. Note that all pixel of a blob are connected.

```
imshow(B3);
for i=1:len
    rectangle('Position',P(i).BoundingBox, 'EdgeColor','green','LineWidth',1);
end
```



Step 5: Visualizing Many Figures

Here we learn how to snap figure in loop to publish nicely. We snap the figure each time we draw a new BoundingBox. We draw BoundingBox only if the product of height and width is greater than 30 to filter out small blobs.

```
close all
imshow(J);
for i=1:len
   if P(i).BoundingBox(3)*P(i).BoundingBox(4)>30
        rectangle('Position',P(i).BoundingBox, 'EdgeColor','green','LineWidth',1);
        snapnow;
   end
end
```









Assignment

Find two similar images and draw a BoundingBox around the objects that are present in one image and absent in another.

Similar to these images:









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%% Lab4 Assassignment :)
% Student: *Bob The Builder @ EN3-A-04*
%%%
% Play here...

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