

Image and Video Processing - Task 3

Detection of Circular objects by edge detection and Hough Transform

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Read and setup

To preprocess a Gaussian filter is run on the image, then a Canny algorithm to detect all the edges.

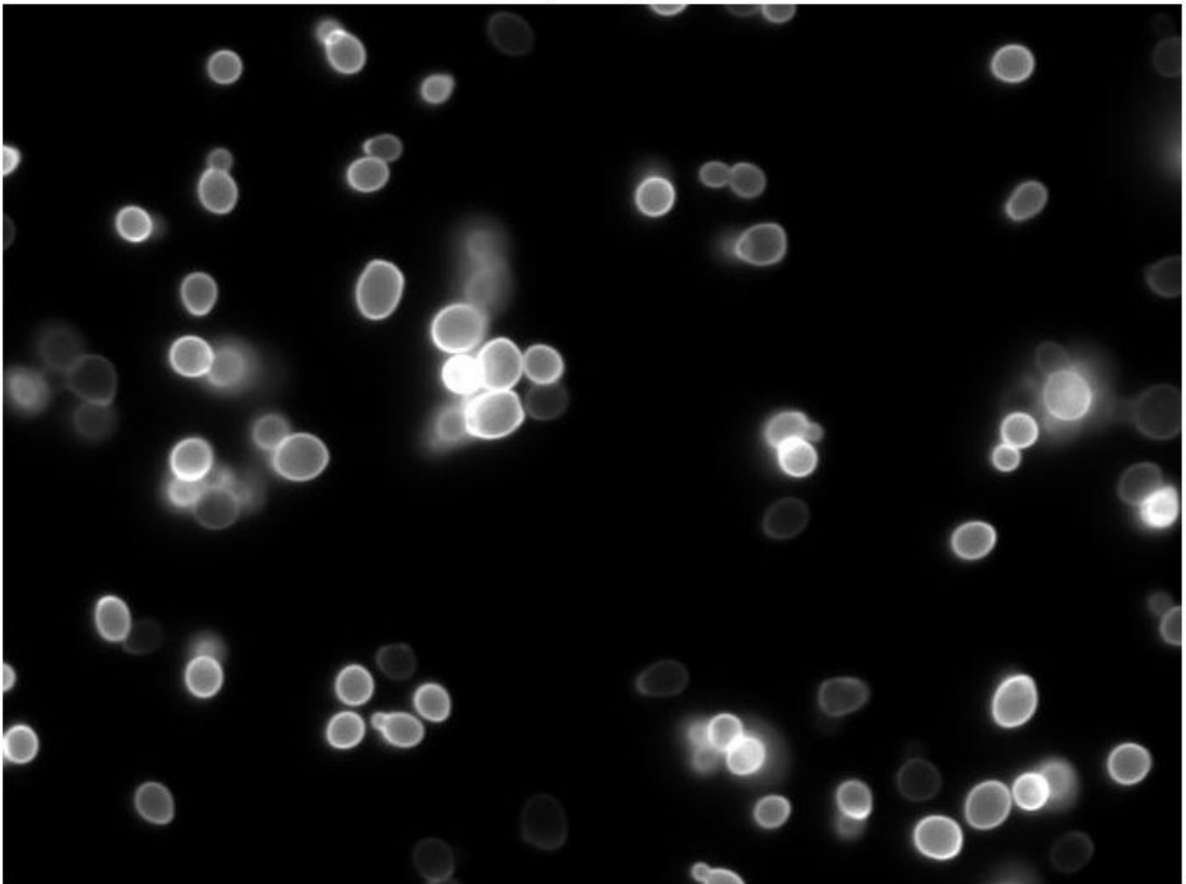
```
clear all; clc; close all;

% Parameters
blur_sigma = 3; % Distribution parameter for the Gaussian blur
threshold = 28; % Threshold for the accumulator array
circle_radii = [10, 25]; % Circle radius range // cable: [10 100] others: [10 25]
imname = 'cells.png';

img = im2gray(imread(imname));
img_blur = imgaussfilt(img, blur_sigma);
img_edge = edge(img_blur, 'canny');

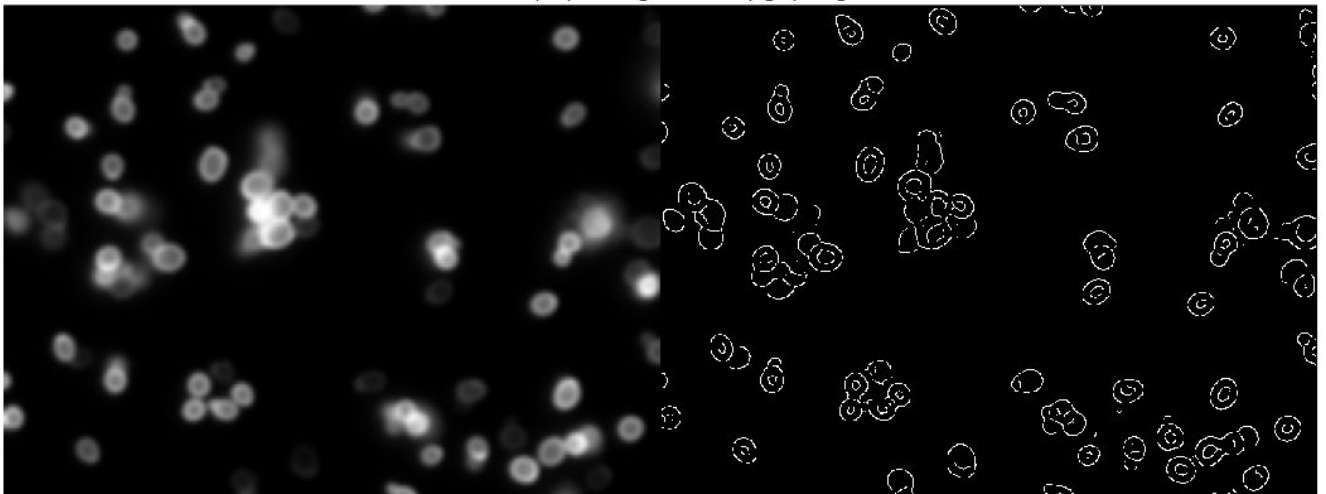
figure;
imshow(img);
title('Input image')
```

Input image



```
figure;  
imshowpair(img_blur, img_edge, 'montage');  
title('Blurred (left) and edge detected (right) image');
```

Blurred (left) and edge detected (right) image



Running Hough transform

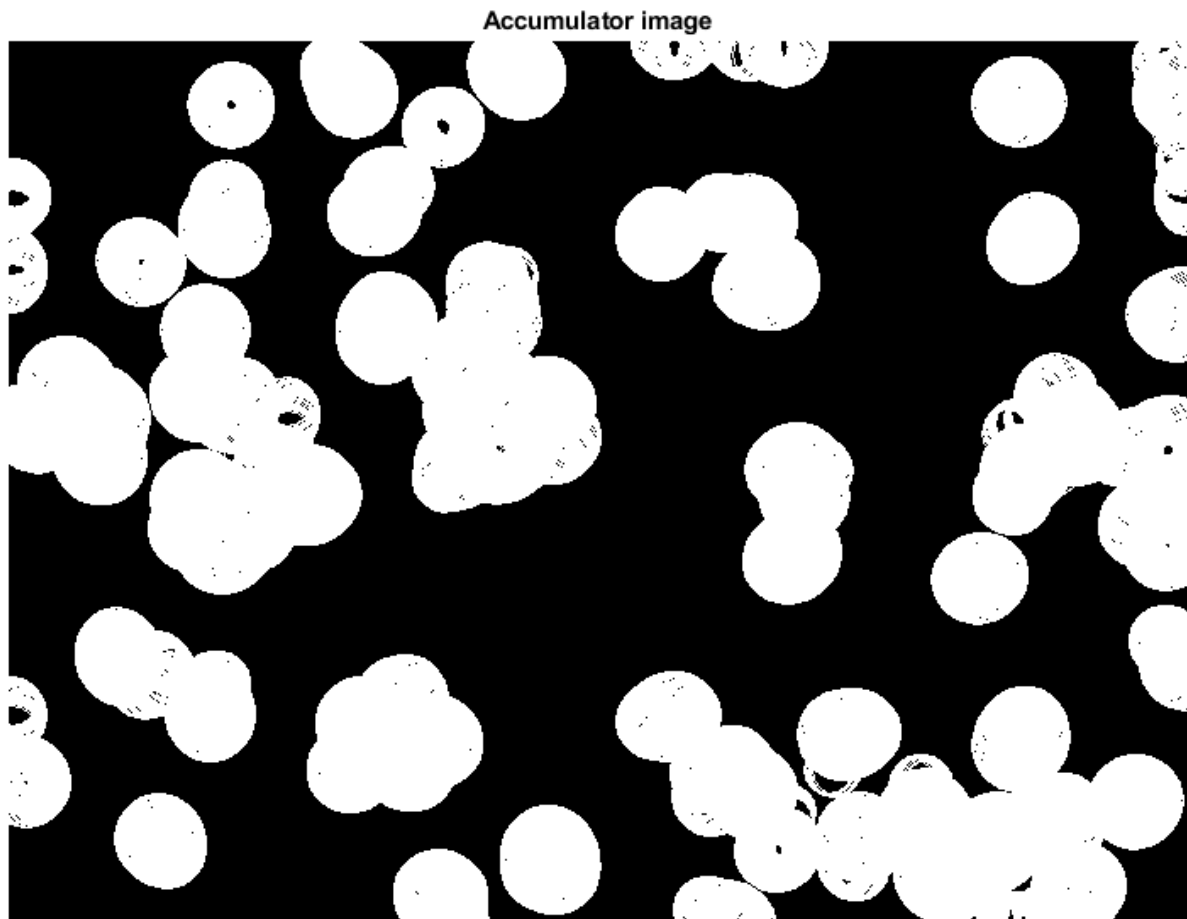
```
[centers, radii] = imfindcircles(img_edge, circle_radii);
r = mean(radii, 1); % Finding the optimal radius to look for

A = zeros(size(img_edge)); % Accumulator image
for cx = 1:size(img_edge, 1)
    for cy = 1:size(img_edge, 2)
        th = 0:pi/50:2*pi;
        xunit = r * cos(th) + cx;
        yunit = r * sin(th) + cy;
        coordmat = [xunit; yunit];

        % Check for legitimate coordinates
        % When circle is not fully in the image
        legit_coords = [];
        for i = 1:size(coordmat, 2)
            if(coordmat(1, i) >= 1 && coordmat(2, i) >= 1)
                if(coordmat(1, i) <= size(img_edge, 1) && ...
                    coordmat(2, i) <= size(img_edge, 2))
                    legit_coords = [legit_coords floor(coordmat(:, i))];
                end
            end
        end

        % Counting support for the circle
        s = 0;
        for j = 1:size(legit_coords, 2)
            px = legit_coords(1, j);
            py = legit_coords(2, j);
            val = img_edge(px, py);
            if(val == 1)
                s = s + 1;
            end
        end
        A(cx, cy) = s;
    end
end

fig = figure;
imshow(A);
title('Accumulator image');
```



Thresholding the Hough transform

```
for i = 1:size(A, 1)
    for j = 1:size(A, 2)
        if(A(i,j) <= threshold)
            A(i,j) = 0;
        end
    end
end

fig = figure;
imshow(A);
title('Thresholded accumulator image');
saveas(fig, strcat('accumulator_', imname));
```

Thresholded accumulator image



Assembling the final output image

```
locations = [];  
radii = [];  
for i = 1:size(A, 1)  
    for j = 1:size(A, 2)  
        if(A(i, j) > 0)  
            locations = [locations; [j i]];  
            radii = [radii; r];  
        end  
    end  
end  
  
fig = figure;  
hold on;  
imshow(img);  
viscircles(locations, radii, 'Color', 'b');  
title('Hough Transform final result');  
saveas(fig, strcat('Hough_', imname));  
hold off;
```

Hough Transform final result

