CSCE - 485

LAB1 - Familiarity with Linux OpenCV Bruno Lopes

1.

The article presented explained the use of computer vision for video analytics and explores a few different applications in current scenarios. Professor Siewert also explains the power of video analytics on practical applications, and the demand for new solutions.

The the third part of the Cloud Scaling article covers the complex process on how video analytics is captured, processed and transmitted on embedded intelligent sensors and cloud based processing. The article describes the ideal but complicated process of inverse rendering and how a combination of autonomous systems with high capacity processing computers could achieve indistinguishable real time interaction.

2. OpenCV installation:

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-- Tests and samples:
-- Tests: YES
-- Performance tests: YES
-- Examples: YES
-- Install path: /usr/local
-- cvconfig.h is in: /home/b/Desktop/CSCE485/LABS/LAB1/OpenCV-2.4.0/build
-- Configuring done
-- Generating done
-- Build files have been written to: /home/b/Desktop/CSCE485/LABS/LAB1/OpenCV-2.4.0/build
b@b:~/Desktop/CSCE485/LABS/LAB1/OpenCV-2.4.0/build$
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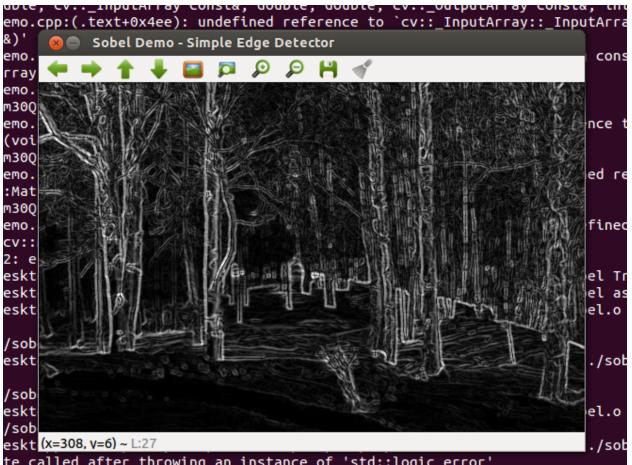
Testing OpenCV library:

Building the code in capture transformer:

Sobel created:

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ncv core -lopencv flann -lopencv video
b@b:~/Desktop/CSCE485/LABS/LAB1/resources/ibm/src/capture-transformer$ ls
                captureskel
                                  hough_line
                                                         skeletal.o
canny
                                  hough_line.cpp
canny.cpp
                captureskel.cpp
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                                  Makefile
                                                         sobel.o
capture
                hardware.out
                                  opencv_cheatsheet.pdf
capture.cpp
               hough_circle
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                                  skeletal
                                  skeletal.cpp
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                hough_circle.o
b@b:~/Desktop/CSCE485/LABS/LAB1/resources/ibm/src/capture-transformer$
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Sobel transform result:



Sobel transform is a image processing algorithm that uses a discrete differentiation operation in order to provide edge detection from an image. The well explained OpenCV Sobel tutorial navigates to the very fundamental processes and functions used to apply the Sobel transform on a static image and generate a result. The transform used on the demo code apply the Sobel Operator onto a local image file in order to generate an output with edge detection lines in gradient, resulted from the original input. The process includes a GaussianBlur, that uses the mathematical Laplace Transform in order to detect boundaries and reduce noise.

3. /sharpen convolution on trees.ppm:

b@b:~/Desktop/CSCE485/LABS/LAB1/resources/3\$./sharpen trees.ppm trees_SHARP.ppm b@b:~/Desktop/CSCE485/LABS/LAB1/resources/3\$



./sharpen grid frame-by-frame convolution on trees.ppm:

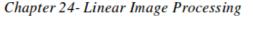


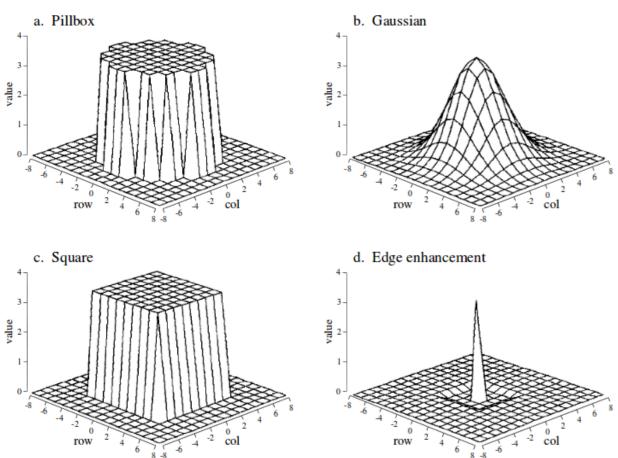
Usage: sharpen input_file.ppm output_file.ppm b@b:~/Desktop/CSCE485/LABS/LAB1/resources/3\$./sharpen_grid trees.ppm trees_sharp.ppm source file trees.ppm read frame 0 completed frame 1 completed

frame 998 completed frame 999 completed starting sink file trees_s.ppm write sink file trees_s.ppm written b@b:~/Desktop/CSCE485/LABS/LAB1/resources/3\$

frame 2 completed

Point Spread Function can perform as a high-pass filter and provide edge enhancement, it works as the mathematical representation of an unresolved point source. The linear smoothing filtering alone performs poorly because linear filtering cannot properly separate signals generated by non-linear operations, different strategies can be used to tackle different challenges and because of the algorithm boundaries detection done on PSF Gaussian can be used as an edge enhancing filter:

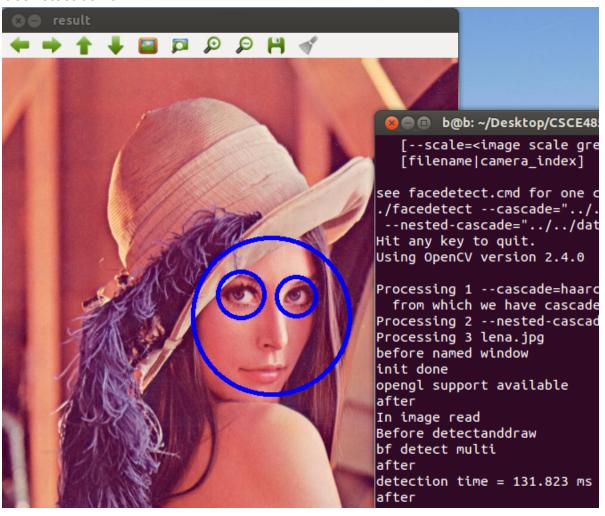


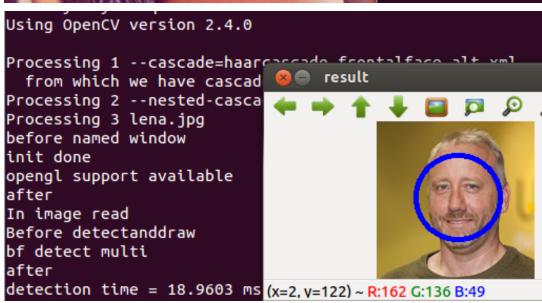


The sample code **sharpen** differs from **sharpen_grid** in complexity and strategy. The **sharpen_grid** is build to analyze and calculate frame by frame (double loop IMG_HEIGHT and IMG_WIDTH), and thread each convolve separately leading to a possible scalability. The **sharpen** sample is simpler, it operates on a similar structure however instead of looping on an amount of frames it performs a quick general approximation across the image (single loop IMG_HEIGHT * IMG_WIDTH)resulting on a quicker smoothing filter. I believe that **sharpen** would be a better real time frame implementation because it does not waste time rendering the whole image, only the significant areas between frames.

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4. faceDetect demo:





The Object detection algorithm provided by Viola-Jones initially reduces the working window area to a 24x24 pixel frame then it performs a series of sum/subtraction of black and white pixel sized rectangles depending on the analysis predefined by the machine to capture image features. Once this "face" window is defined the algorithm focus groups of features that are applied individually based on the features found, the more features found the higher face detection accuracy becomes, the algorithm performance comes from applying as many feature as possible without wasting processing time, the concept of Cascade of Classifiers deal with this ratio and tend to optimize the use of features.

5.

makeborder demo:

I had a few issues getting my code to work, my main strategy was to use: **borderType = BORDER_CONSTANT** and color it using color-code **14** for yellow

I plan to seek support along the week,