SciComp with Py

CVIP

Basic Image Processing with OpenCV

Part 05

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Review

3 Big M's

- Mean – is the average of a set of values
- Median – a numerical value **v** right in the middle of the sorted sequence of values so that exactly half of the values in the sequence are less than v and half are greater than **v**
- Mode – the most frequent value in a set of values

Plotting Mean & Median

source in mean_median_mode.py

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy import stats
## use normal distribution to generate 10,000 points
## centered on 30,000 with an STD = 15,000
incomes = np.random.normal(30000, 15000, 10000)
## if you want to see an outlier, add this
## billionaire's income to the list of incomes
#incomes = np.append(incomes, [1000000000])
mn = np.mean(incomes)
print('mean    = ' + str(mn))
md = np.median(incomes)
print('median = ' + str(md))
## if you want to see a plot of incomes
plt.hist(incomes, 50)
plt.show()
```

Computing Mode

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```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy import stats
## create a random array of 500 ages from 10 up to 90.
ages = np.random.randint(10, high=90, size=500)
print(ages)
mo = stats.mode(ages)
## the result will print like (array([ 22.]), array([ 18.])),
## where the first number, 22, is the most frequent age
## and the second number, 18, is the number of times
##that age occurs in ages.
print(mo)
```

Pixel Masks

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1	120	35	50	25	137
2	34	89	190	197	108
...	180	178	215	37	45
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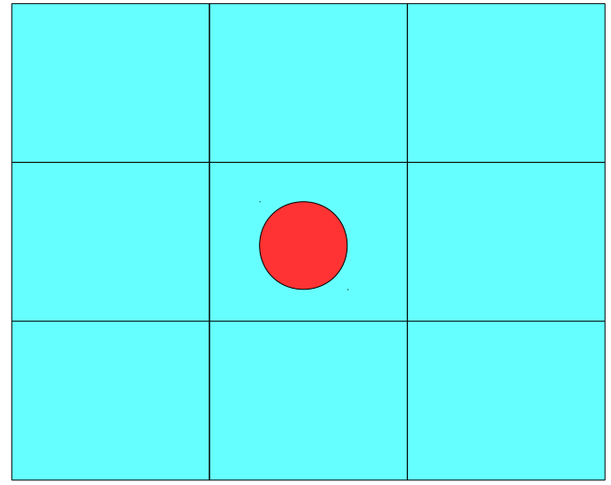
3 x 3 Pixel Mask



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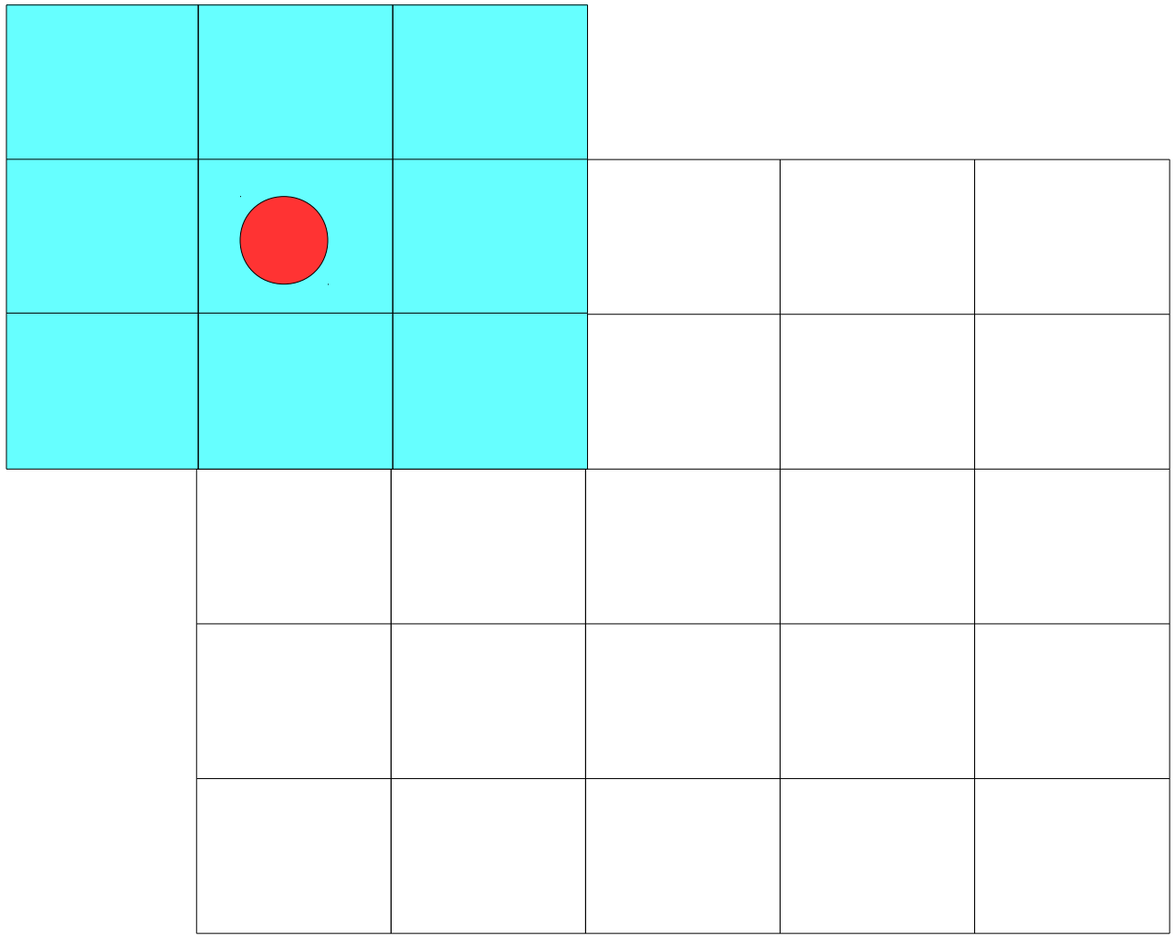
Pixel masks are superimposed on the image to compute various properties of the center pixel.

Border Pixel Problem



What happens when the mask is centered at a border pixel? Some pixels covered by the mask do not exist.

Two possible approaches:
1) Pad the image; this can be done virtually.
2) Do not center the mask at the border pixels.

Image Convolution: Applying Masks to Images

- Given an image **I** and a mask **M**, **M** is centered at each pixel (or a subset of pixels) and a value **v** is computed
- This value **v** is saved in an new image or the value of the current pixel on which **M** is centered is destructively modified with **v**
- This process is referred to as *image convolution*

Blurring

Blurring

- Blurring is a filtering operation
- A sharp image is an image where one can clearly see all objects
- Sharpness is a consequence of clear edges
- Why do we need to blur?

Why Blur?

- We may want to blur to make the image smoother (remove some small edges here and there) in the image to make subsequent processing more effective
- We may want to blur to create an artistic effect (e.g., motion blur)

Types of Blurring

- Mean filter
- Weighted average filter
- Median filter
- Gaussian filter
- Bilateral filter
- All these filters (and many more) are available in OpenCV

Problem

Write a program that takes a command line argument that specifies a path to an image, applies various blurring filters to the image and displays the results.

Sample run:

```
$ python blurring.py road01.png
```

Mean Blurring

```
image = cv2.imread(sys.argv[1])
cv2.imshow('Original Image', image)

kernel_3x3 = np.ones((3, 3), np.float32) / 9

blurred = cv2.filter2D(image, -1, kernel_3x3)
cv2.imshow('3x3 Kernel Blurring', blurred)

kernel_7x7 = np.ones((7, 7), np.float32) / 49

blurred2 = cv2.filter2D(image, -1, kernel_7x7)
cv2.imshow('7x7 Kernel Blurring', blurred2))
```

What is -1? This means the depth (number of bits for each color in a single pixel) of the blurred image (blurred) will be the same as the depth of the original image (image)

source in blurring.py

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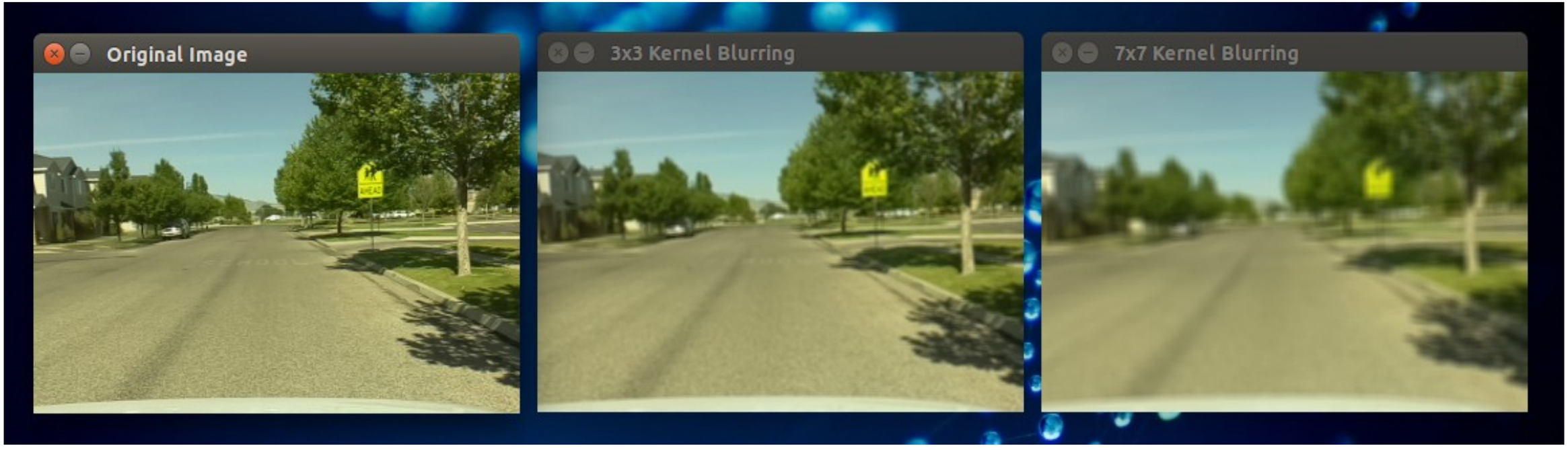

References

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