

Group 21

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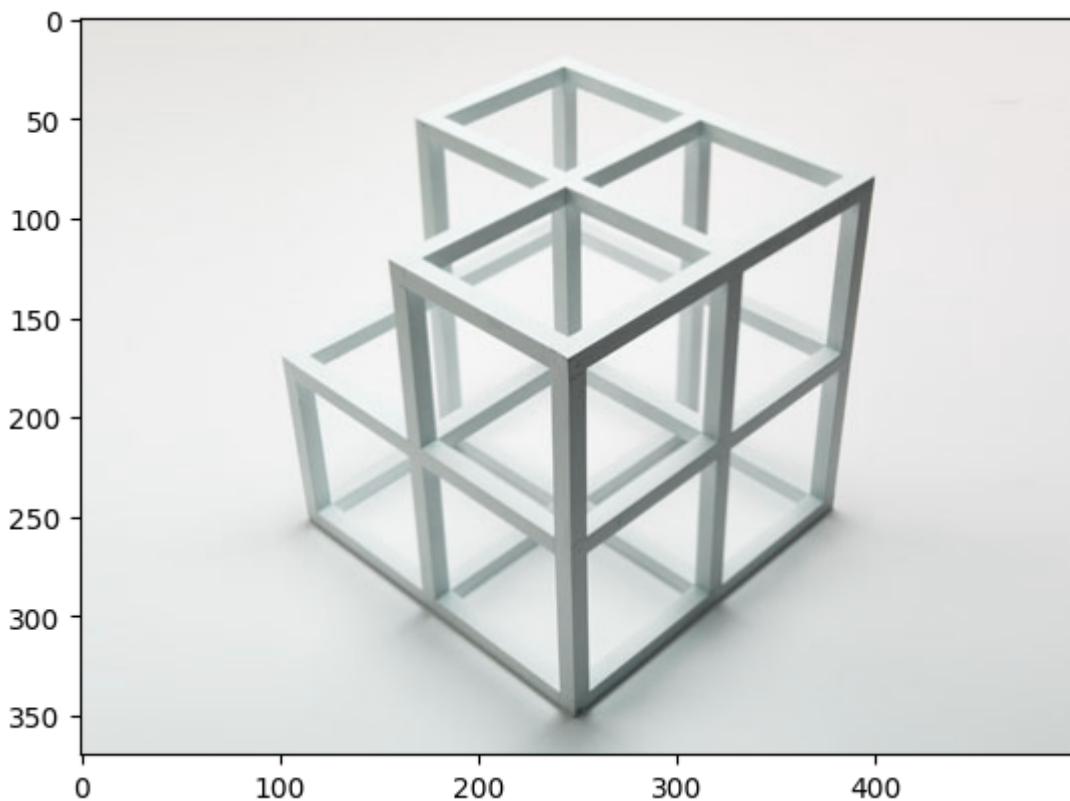
Assignment 3

Hough Transform for Line Detection

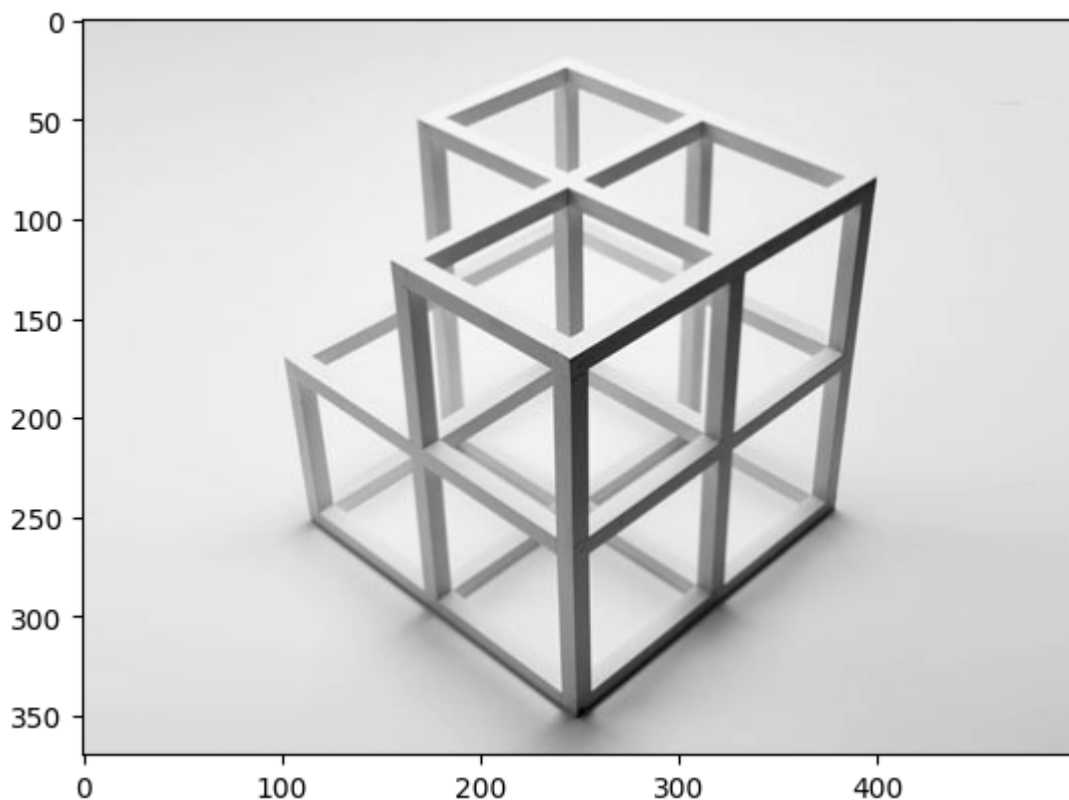
a) Read the input image, convert it to a grayscale, and normalize it to range [0, 1]. Plot the resulting image.

```
In [ ]: import numpy as np
import cv2 as cv
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
import math
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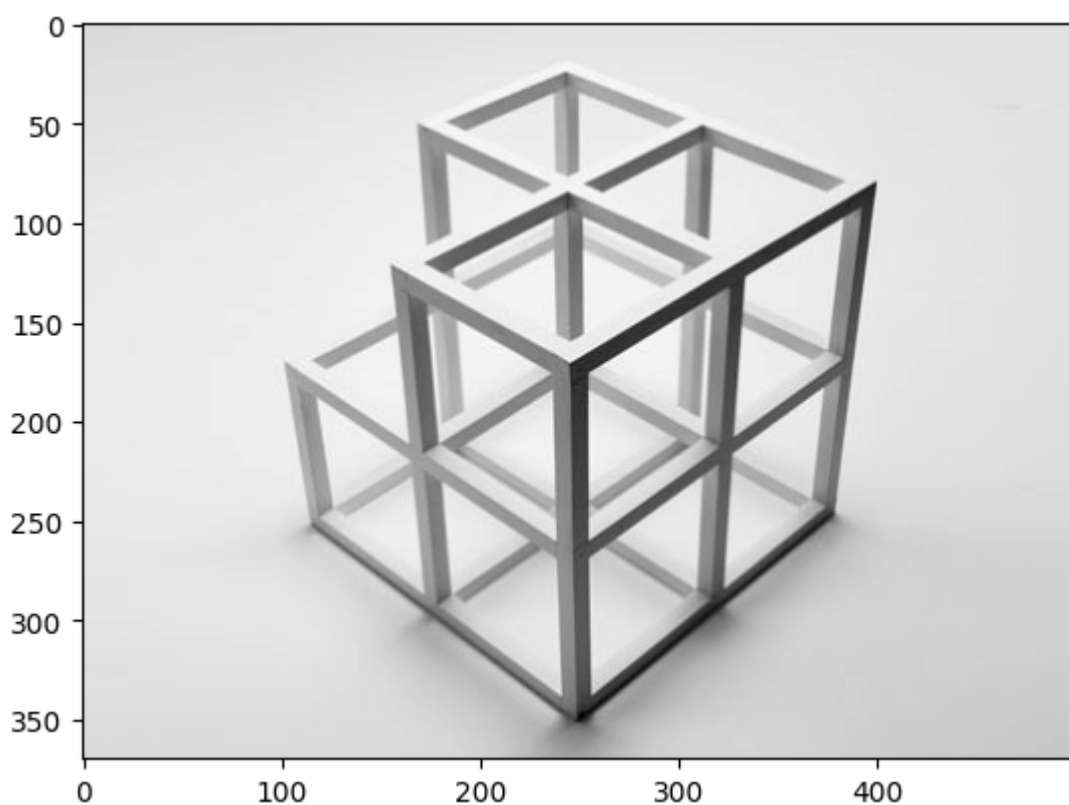
```
In [ ]: img = cv.imread("input_ex3.jpg")
plt.imshow(img)
plt.show()
```



```
In [ ]: # Load the image in grayscale
image = cv.imread("input_ex3.jpg", cv.IMREAD_GRAYSCALE)
# Convert the image from BGR to RGB (cv.cvtColor(img, cv.COLOR_BGR2GRAY) in Pyt
img = cv.cvtColor(image, cv.COLOR_BGR2RGB)
plt.imshow(image, cmap="gray")
cv.imwrite('Gray.png', image)
plt.show()
```



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In [ ]: # The reason we divide by 255.0 is that grayscale images typically have pixel va  
# where 0 represents black and 255 represents white.  
# By dividing each pixel value by 255.0, we are scaling the values down to the r  
# This normalization step ensures that the pixel values are represented as float  
normalized_img = image/255.0  
plt.imshow(normalized_img, cmap='gray')  
cv.imwrite('normalized_image.png', normalized_img)  
plt.show()
```



b) Apply a GoG filtering (from Assignment 2) to compute gradient images in x and y direction. Furthermore, compute the gradient magnitude.

$$G_x = \frac{\partial G(x, y, \sigma)}{\partial x} = -\frac{x}{2\pi\sigma^4} e^{-\frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2\sigma^2}}$$

Example: for standard deviation $\sigma = 0.5$ the two 2D kernels are:

$$G_x = \frac{\partial G(x, y, 0.5)}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0000 & 0.0001 & 0.0000 & -0.0001 & -0.0000 \\ 0.0002 & 0.0466 & 0.0000 & -0.0466 & -0.0002 \\ 0.0017 & 0.3446 & 0.0000 & -0.3446 & -0.0017 \\ 0.0002 & 0.0466 & 0.0000 & -0.0466 & -0.0002 \\ 0.0000 & 0.0001 & 0.0000 & -0.0001 & -0.0000 \end{bmatrix}, G_y = G_x^T.$$

```
In [ ]: kernelsize = 5 #given kernelsize 5*5
standard_deviation = 0.5 #sigma is 0.5 given
limit = int((kernelsize - 1) / 2)
x, y = np.meshgrid(np.arange(-limit, limit + 1), np.arange(-limit, limit + 1))
```

Here I break down the equation to make it easy in writing (a,b,c)

Separability of the Gaussian filter

$$\begin{aligned} G_\sigma(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \exp^{-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp^{-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

The 2D Gaussian can be expressed as the product of two functions, one a function of x and the other a function of y

In this case, the two functions are the (identical) 1D Gaussian

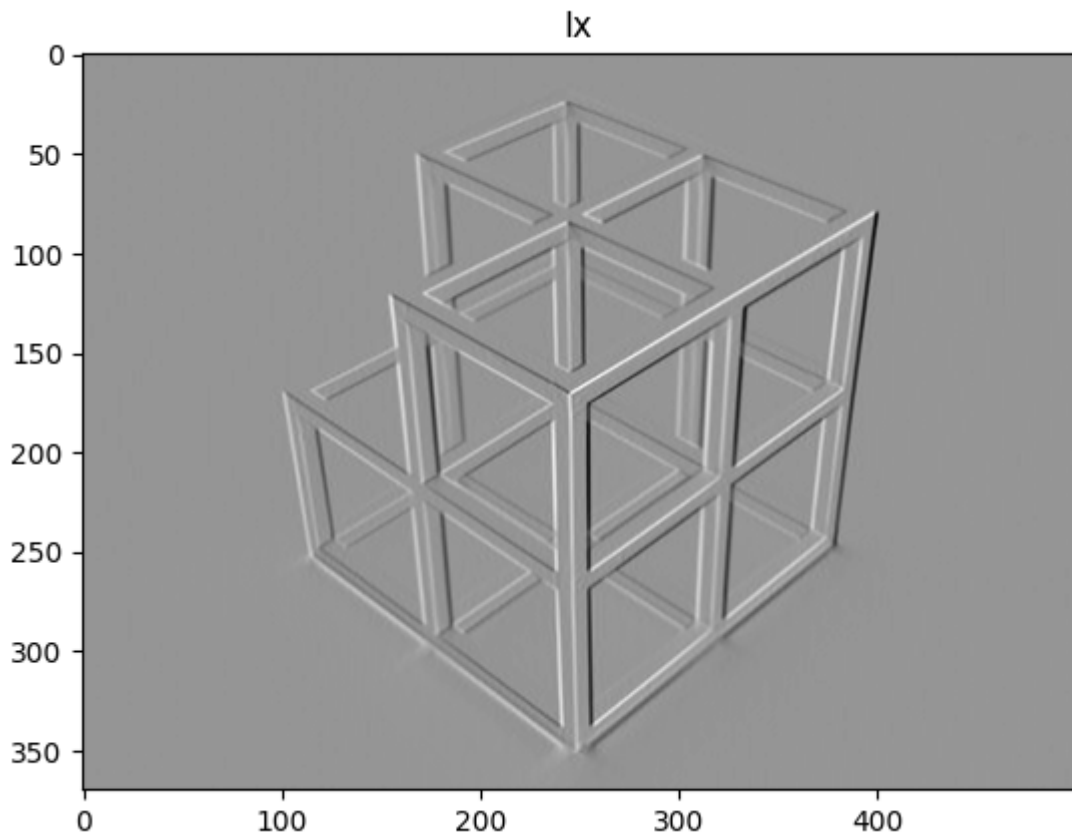
```
In [ ]: # Compute the Gaussian kernel values
a = -(x / (2 * math.pi * standard_deviation ** 4))
b = -((x ** 2 + y ** 2) / (2 * standard_deviation ** 2))
c = np.exp(b)
Gx = np.round(a * c, 4)
print("Gx = \n", Gx)
np.savetxt("Gx.txt", Gx, fmt="%0.4f", delimiter="\t")
```

```
Gx =
[[ 0.000e+00  1.000e-04 -0.000e+00 -1.000e-04 -0.000e+00]
 [ 2.000e-04  4.660e-02 -0.000e+00 -4.660e-02 -2.000e-04]
 [ 1.700e-03  3.446e-01 -0.000e+00 -3.446e-01 -1.700e-03]
 [ 2.000e-04  4.660e-02 -0.000e+00 -4.660e-02 -2.000e-04]
 [ 0.000e+00  1.000e-04 -0.000e+00 -1.000e-04 -0.000e+00]]
```

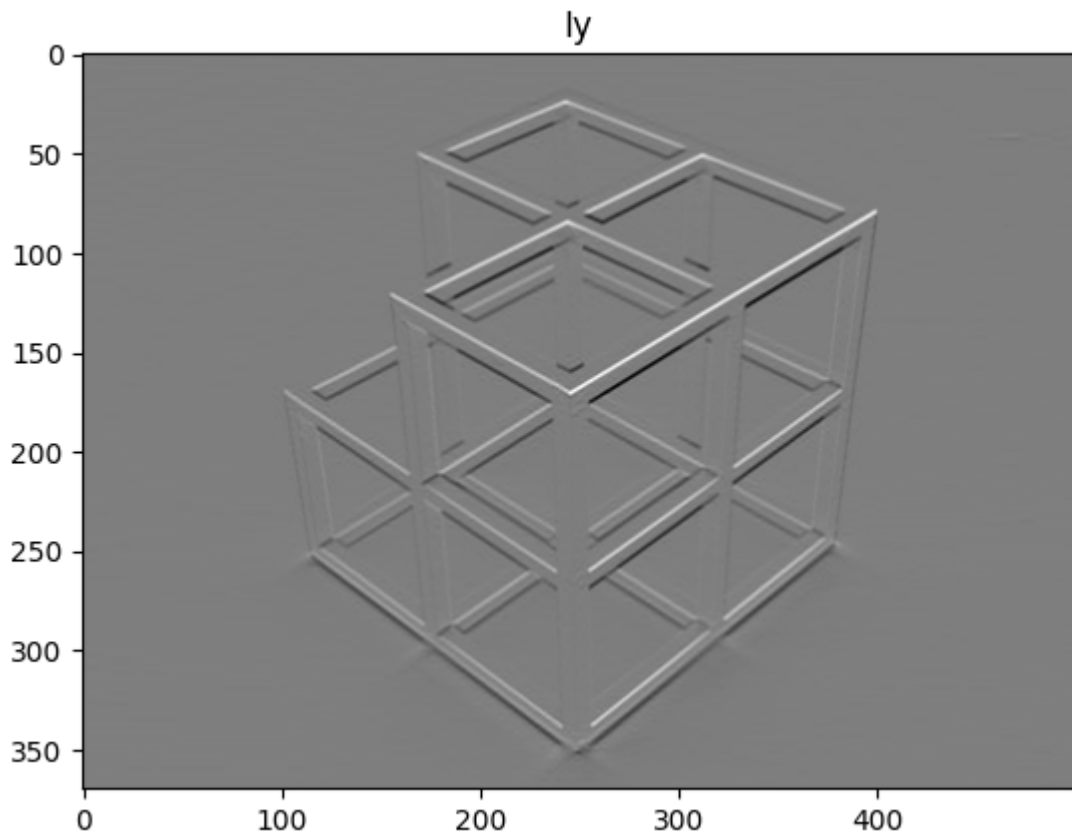
```
In [ ]: Gy = Gx.transpose() #Gy is transpose of Gx given
print("Gy = \n", Gy)
np.savetxt("Gy.txt", Gy, fmt="%0.4f", delimiter="\t")
```

```
Gy =
[[ 0.000e+00  2.000e-04  1.700e-03  2.000e-04  0.000e+00]
 [ 1.000e-04  4.660e-02  3.446e-01  4.660e-02  1.000e-04]
 [-0.000e+00 -0.000e+00 -0.000e+00 -0.000e+00 -0.000e+00]
 [-1.000e-04 -4.660e-02 -3.446e-01 -4.660e-02 -1.000e-04]
 [-0.000e+00 -2.000e-04 -1.700e-03 -2.000e-04 -0.000e+00]]
```

```
In [ ]: Ix = cv.filter2D(normalized_img, -1, Gx)
plt.imshow(Ix, cmap='gray')
plt.title('Ix')
plt.axis()
plt.show()
```



```
In [ ]: Iy = cv.filter2D(normalized_img, -1, Gy)
plt.imshow(Iy, cmap='gray')
plt.title('Iy')
plt.axis()
plt.show()
```

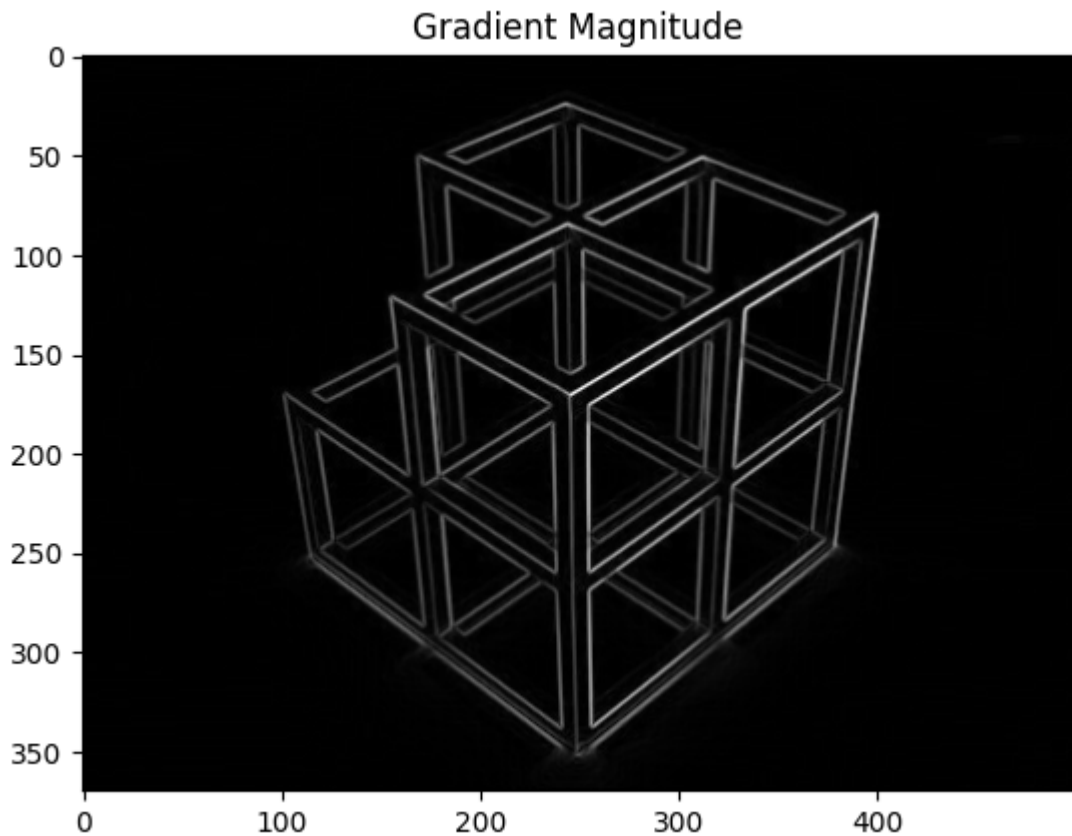


Gradient Magnitude

```
In [ ]: gradient_magnitude = np.sqrt((Ix**2 + Iy**2))
print("Gradient Magnitude:")
np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
print.gradient_magnitude)
plt.imshow(gradient_magnitude, cmap='gray')
plt.axis()
plt.title('Gradient Magnitude')
plt.show()
```

Gradient Magnitude:

```
[[2.4109e-17 2.4109e-17 2.4109e-17 ... 2.4610e-17 2.4610e-17 2.4610e-17]
 [2.4109e-17 2.4109e-17 2.4109e-17 ... 2.4610e-17 2.4610e-17 2.4610e-17]
 [2.4109e-17 2.4109e-17 2.4109e-17 ... 2.4610e-17 2.4610e-17 2.4610e-17]
 ...
 [1.7259e-03 1.7259e-03 1.7259e-03 ... 7.4613e-06 1.9941e-17 1.9941e-17]
 [1.7259e-03 1.7259e-03 1.7259e-03 ... 8.7689e-07 1.9941e-17 1.9941e-17]
 [1.0098e-17 1.0098e-17 1.0098e-17 ... 1.9941e-17 1.9941e-17 1.9941e-17]]
```



c) Find and apply an appropriate threshold on the gradient magnitude in order to extract representative edge pixels. Plot the binary edge mask.

Canny edge detector

1. Filter image with **Gradient of Gaussian (GoG)**
2. Find **magnitude** and **orientation** of the gradient
3. **Non-maximum suppression:**
 - Thin multi-pixel wide “ridges” down to **single pixel width**
4. **Hysteresis thresholding:**
 - Define **two** thresholds: low and high
 - Use the **high** threshold to **start** edge curves and the **low** threshold to **continue** them
5. (Constraint thinning)

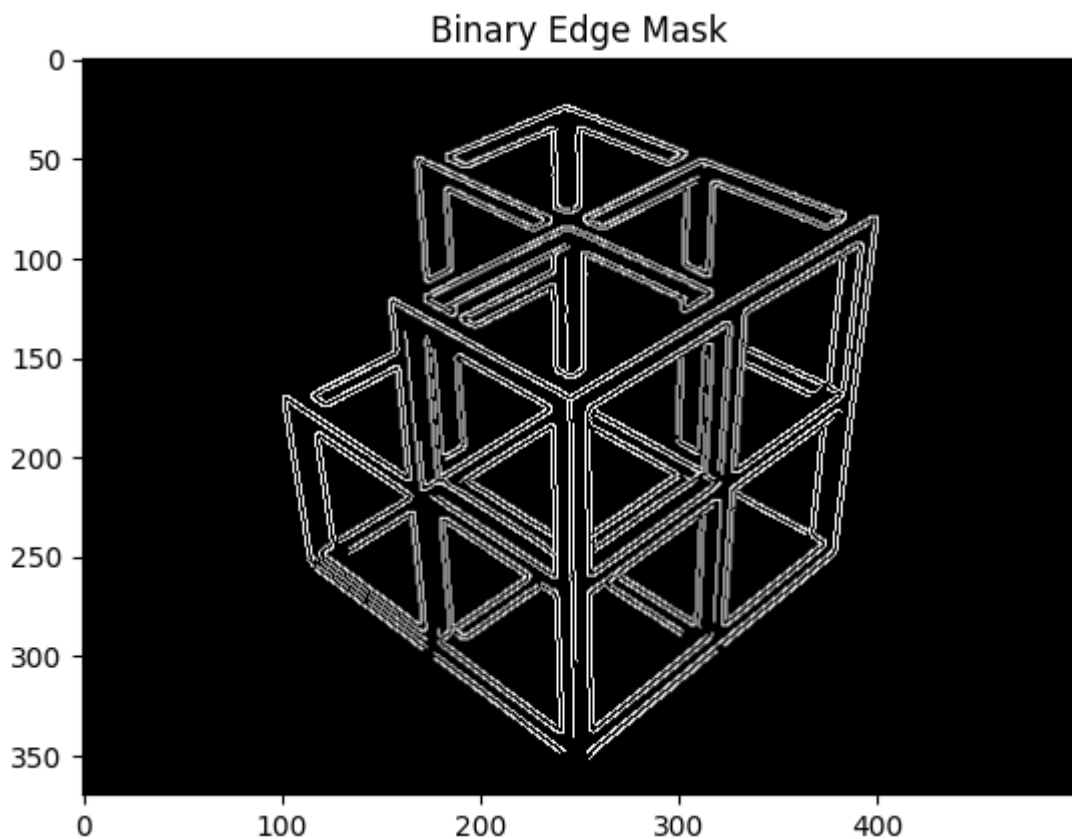
```
In [ ]: # Apply thresholding to extract representative edge pixels
low = 50
high = 100

# Apply Canny edge detection
edges = cv.Canny(np.uint8(gradient_magnitude * 255), low, high)
```

```
# Create a binary edge mask
binary_mask = np.where(edges != 0, 1, 0)
print(binary_mask)

# Plot the binary edge mask
plt.imshow(binary_mask, cmap='gray')
plt.title('Binary Edge Mask')
plt.show()
```

```
[[0 0 0 ... 0 0 0]
 [0 0 0 ... 0 0 0]
 [0 0 0 ... 0 0 0]
 ...
 [0 0 0 ... 0 0 0]
 [0 0 0 ... 0 0 0]
 [0 0 0 ... 0 0 0]]
```



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In [ ]: binary_mask.shape
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Out[ ]: (370, 500)
```

d) Implement a function for Hough line detection:

i) The binary edge mask and the gradient images serve as inputs.

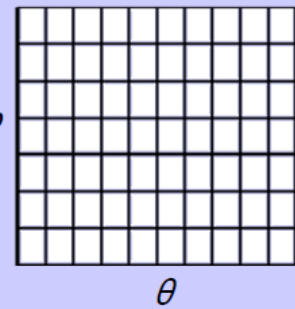
ii) A Hough voting array H and index arrays for the ranges of θ and row are returned by the function.

iii) Hints: Use the polar line representation. Incorporate information about the gradient direction to speedup processing.

Algorithm outline

- **Initialize** discrete accumulator
 $H(0 \dots 179, -d \dots d)$ for $d = \sqrt{w^2 + h^2}$
 to all zeros
- **for** each edge point (x, y) in the image
 for $\theta = 0$ to 179
 $\rho = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$
 $H(\theta, \rho) = H(\theta, \rho) + 1$
 end
 end
- Find the value(s) of (θ, ρ)
 where $H(\theta, \rho)$ is a **local maximum**
 - The **detected line** in the image is given by
 $\rho = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$

H: accumulator array (votes)



Extension: Incorporating image gradients

- **Recall:** when we detect an edge point, we also know its **gradient direction**
- This means that the line is **uniquely** determined!

$$\nabla f = \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right]$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial f / \partial y}{\partial f / \partial x} \right)$$

- **Modified Hough transform:**

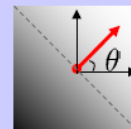
For each edge point (x, y)

$\theta = \text{gradient orientation at } (x, y)$

$$\rho = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$$

$$H(\theta, \rho) = H(\theta, \rho) + 1$$

end



```
In [ ]: import numpy as np
import cv2 as cv
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from skimage.feature import corner_harris, corner_peaks
from skimage.feature import peak_local_max

# in this function it is implemented similar to the Algorithm from the PPT

def hough_line(binary_mask, gradient_magnitude):
    height, width = binary_mask.shape
    max_rho = np.sqrt(width**2 + height**2)
    num_theta = 180

    accumulator = np.zeros((num_theta, int(2 * max_rho + 1)), dtype=int)
    theta_values = np.deg2rad(np.arange(num_theta))
```



```

# Compute gradient direction
gradient_direction = np.arctan2(Iy, Ix)

# Perform Hough transform
for y in range(height):
    for x in range(width):
        if binary_mask[y, x] > 0:
            # modified Hough transform
            for theta_index, theta in enumerate(theta_values):
                rho = x * np.cos(theta) + y * np.sin(theta)
                rho_index = int(rho + max_rho)
                accumulator[theta_index, rho_index] += 1

# Find local maxima in the Hough voting array
hough_peaks = peak_local_max(accumulator, min_distance=10, threshold_abs=50,
return accumulator, theta_values, np.arange(-max_rho, max_rho + 1)

```

- edges: Output of the edge detector.
- lines: A vector to store the coordinates of the start and end of the line.
- rho: The resolution parameter \rho in pixels.
- theta: The resolution of the parameter \theta in radians.
- threshold: The minimum number of intersecting points to detect a line.

Reference: <https://towardsdatascience.com/tutorial-build-a-lane-detector-679fd8953132#127c> As a part of Special project we are implementing the same algo.

e) Plot the resulting Hough voting array H.

```

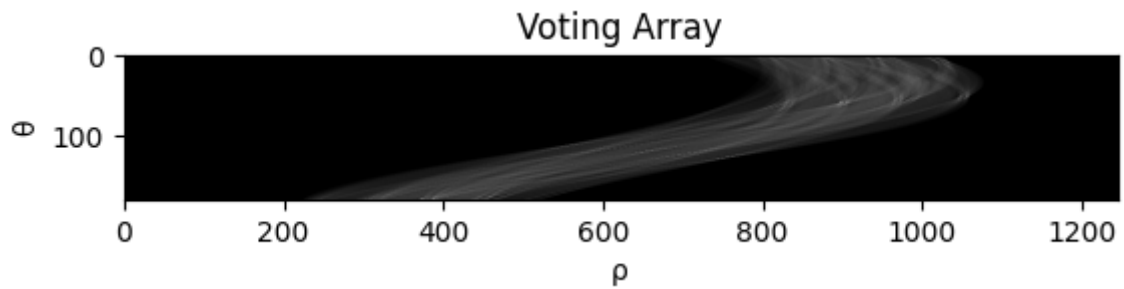
In [ ]: accumulator, theta_values, rho_values = hough_line(binary_mask, gradient_magnitu

# Plot the Hough voting array
plt.imshow(accumulator, cmap='gray')
plt.xlabel('p')
plt.ylabel('θ')
plt.title('Voting Array')
plt.show()

binary_mask.shape
# gradient_magnitude.shape

# print(accumulator)

```



Out[]: (370, 500)

f) Find local maxima of H. You may use the built-in function `houghpeaks`.

I tried to use the `houghpeaks` built-in function from `opencv` and `skimage.feature`. But for some reason (I wouldn't figure out the errors, although I installed `skimage.feature` in a terminal) I was unable to do so.

For such a reason I referred the below mentioned link and tried to implement it and was able to do it.

Reference: <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/4624970/finding-local-maxima-minima-with-numpy-in-a-1d-numpy-array>

```
In [ ]: from skimage.feature import peak_local_max

accumulator, theta_values, rho_values = hough_line(binary_mask, gradient_magnitu

# Find Local maxima in the Hough voting array
hough_peaks = peak_local_max(accumulator, min_distance=10, threshold_abs=50, num

# Print the local maxima coordinates
print("Local Maxima:")
for peak in hough_peaks:
    theta_index, rho_index = peak
    theta = theta_values[theta_index]
    rho = rho_values[rho_index]
    print("θ:", np.rad2deg(theta), "ρ:", rho)
```

```
Local Maxima:
θ: 59.00000000000001 ρ: 271.9871383966406
θ: 119.0 ρ: 31.987138396640603
θ: 54.0 ρ: 365.9871383966406
θ: 51.0 ρ: 431.9871383966406
θ: 127.00000000000001 ρ: 133.9871383966406
θ: 123.00000000000001 ρ: 88.9871383966406
θ: 64.0 ρ: 181.9871383966406
θ: 63.0 ρ: 203.9871383966406
θ: 114.00000000000001 ρ: -23.012861603359397
θ: 111.0 ρ: -63.0128616033594
```

used `skimage.feature import peak_local_max` instead of `from skimage.transform import hough_peaks`

g) Plot the found extrema on top of your figure in step f).

min_distance: This parameter determines the minimum distance (in pixels) between detected peaks. It ensures that the returned peaks are separated by at least this distance. Adjusting this parameter can control the minimum spacing between the detected lines. A larger value can result in fewer detected lines, while a smaller value can detect more closely spaced lines.

num_peaks: This parameter specifies the maximum number of peaks to return

threshold_abs: This parameter sets the minimum value that a peak must have to be considered a valid peak. Adjusting this parameter can control the sensitivity of peak detection.

```
In [ ]: from skimage.feature import peak_local_max

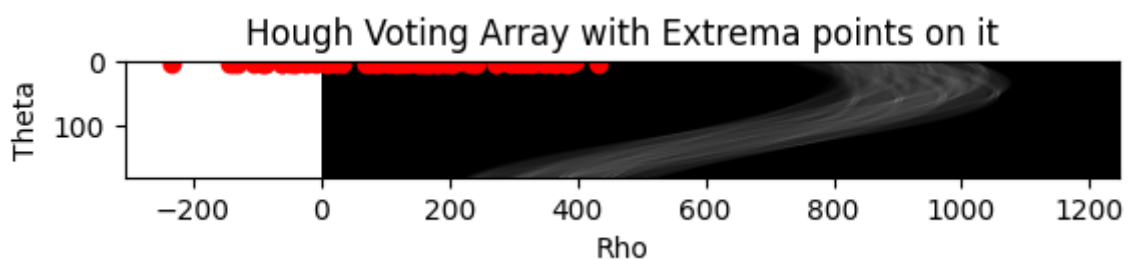
accumulator, theta_values, rho_values = hough_line(binary_mask, gradient_magnitu
min_distance=10
num_peaks=10
threshold_abs=50

# Find Local maxima in the Hough voting array
hough_peaks = peak_local_max(accumulator, min_distance, num_peaks)

# Plot the Hough voting array with extrema
plt.imshow(accumulator, cmap='gray')
plt.xlabel('Rho')
plt.ylabel('Theta')
plt.title('Hough Voting Array with Extrema points on it')

# Plot the extrema points
for peak in hough_peaks:
    theta_index, rho_index = peak
    theta = theta_values[theta_index]
    rho = rho_values[rho_index]
    plt.plot(rho, theta, 'ro')

plt.show()
```



h) Use the built-in function `houghlines` to derive the corresponding line segments.

Reference:

<https://www.tutorialspoint.com/how-to-implement-probabilistic-hough-transform-in-opencv-python>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IhMXDqQHf9g&list=PLQVvva0QuDeETZEOy4VdocT7TOjfSA8a&index=5>

over here I had referred how to use the houghlinesP in python

Source: https://docs.opencv.org/4.5.2/d9/db0/tutorial_hough_lines.html

Probabilistic Hough Line Transform

First you apply the transform:

```
# Probabilistic Line Transform
linesP = cv.HoughLinesP(dst, 1, np.pi / 180, 50, None, 50, 10)
```

- with the arguments:
 - *dst*: Output of the edge detector. It should be a grayscale image (although in fact it is a binary one)
 - *lines*: A vector that will store the parameters $(x_{start}, y_{start}, x_{end}, y_{end})$ of the detected lines
 - *rho*: The resolution of the parameter ρ in pixels. We use 1 pixel.
 - *theta*: The resolution of the parameter θ in radians. We use 1 degree (CV_PI/180)
 - *threshold*: The minimum number of intersections to "detect" a line
 - *minLineLength*: The minimum number of points that can form a line. Lines with less than this number of points are disregarded.
 - *maxLineGap*: The maximum gap between two points to be considered in the same line.

```
In [ ]: maxLineGap = 1

# Apply probabilistic Hough transform
lines = cv.HoughLinesP(edges, 1, np.pi/180, 50, minLineLength, maxLineGap)

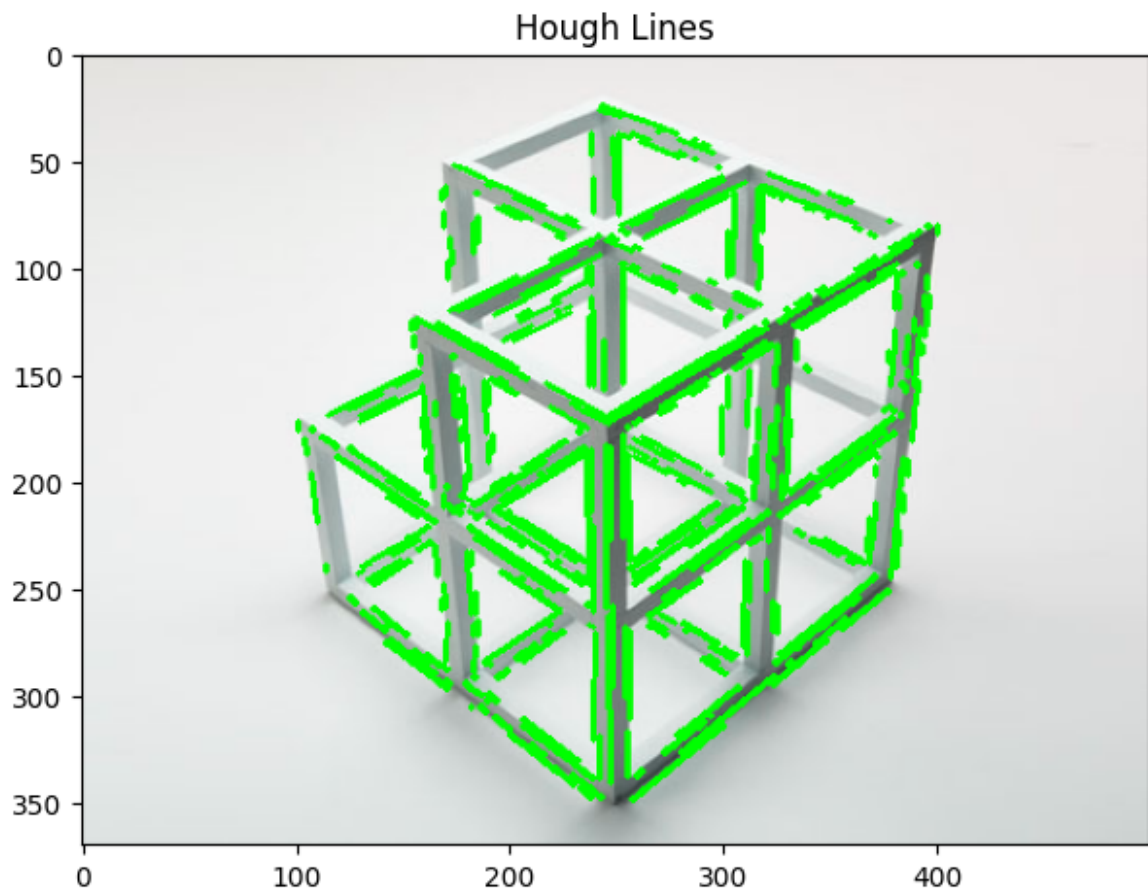
# Draw the detected lines on the original image
for line in lines:
    for x1, y1, x2, y2 in line:
        cv.line(img, (x1, y1), (x2, y2), (0, 255, 0), 2)

lines.shape
```

```
Out[ ]: (495, 1, 4)
```

i) Plot the lines on the figure of step a).

```
In [ ]: # Display the image with detected lines
plt.figure()
plt.imshow(cv.cvtColor(img, cv.COLOR_BGR2RGB))
plt.title('Hough Lines')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



Challenges during task:

1. houghpeaks function was very difficult call. I tried to use the houghpeaks built-in function from opencv and skimage.feature. But for some reason (I wouldn't figure out the errors. although I installed skimage.feature in a terminal) I was unable to do so.