

# Canny Edge Detection

Canny Edge Detection algorithm is used to detect the edges as the name suggests, and it can be broken down in to multiple steps.



**Step 1** The noise of the image has to be reduced, by using smoothing techniques like Gaussian filters or median filters. Here Gaussian filter is used.

Gaussian matrix:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$



```
def gaussian(I, patch_size):  
    patch = [[1,2,1],[2,4,2],[1,2,1]]  
    size_i = I.shape  
    I1 = np.zeros([size_i[0] - 2, size_i[1]-2])  
    for i in range(size_i[0] - 2):  
        for j in range(size_i[1]-2):  
            output = np.zeros(patch_size)  
            for k in range(patch_size[0]):  
                for l in range(patch_size[1]):  
                    output[k,l] = I[k+i, l+j]  
            temp = np.sum(patch*output) / 16  
            I1[i, j] = temp
```

**Step 2** For edge detection, the gradient of the image has to be calculated and this is done using Sobel-x and Sobel-y kernels. Sobel operator finds the first derivative of the Image i.e  $I_x$  and  $I_y$ .

Sobel-x matrix:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$       Sobel-y matrix:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

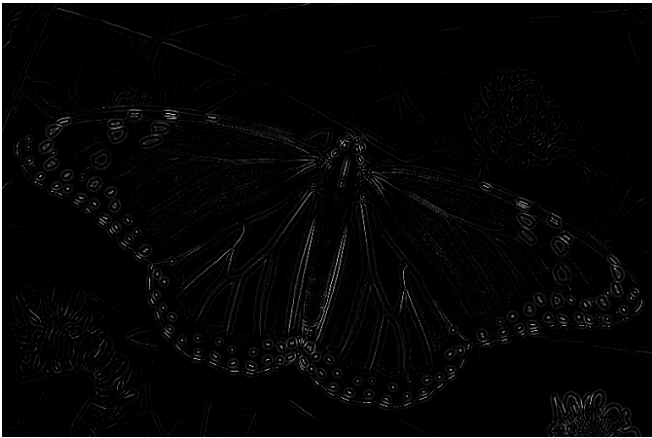
$$\text{Gradient} = \sqrt{I_x^2 + I_y^2}$$



```
def gradient(I, patch_size):
    patch_x = [[1,0,-1],[2,0,-2],[1,0,-1]]
    patch_y = [[1, 2, 1], [0, 0, 0], [-1, -2, -1]]
    Iimg = np.zeros([size_i[0] - 2, size_i[1]-2])
    for i in range(size_i[0] - 2):
        for j in range(size_i[1]-2):
            output = np.zeros(patch_size)
            for k in range(patch_size[0]):
                for l in range(patch_size[1]):
                    output[k,l] = I[k+i, l+j]
            temp1 = np.sum(patch_x*output) / 8
            temp2 = np.sum(patch_y*output) / 8
            Iimg[i, j] = np.sqrt(temp1**2 + temp2**2)
```

**Step 3** Laplacian operator is used as it is a second derivative operator for better extraction of edges.

Laplacian kernel:  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$



```
def laplace(I, patch_size):
    patch = [[0,1,0],[1,-4,1],[0,1,0]]
    I1 = np.zeros([size_i[0] - 2, size_i[1]-2])
    for i in range(size_i[0] - 2):
        for j in range(size_i[1]-2):
            output = np.zeros(patch_size)
            for k in range(patch_size[0]):
                for l in range(patch_size[1]):
                    output[k,l] = I[k+i, l+j]
            temp = np.sum(patch*output)
            I1[i, j] = temp
```

**Step 4** To make the image brighter and sharper, hysteresis (double threshold) is used where current pixel intensity is calculated using the neighboring pixel values.



```
def hysteresis(I, t1, t2):
    ht = np.where(I > t1)
    lt = np.where(I < t2)
    I[ht] = 255
    I[lt] = 0
    for i in range(1, size_i[0] - 1):
        for j in range(1, size_i[1] - 1):
            if(I[i, j] > t1 and I[i,j] < t2):
                temp = max(I[i+1, j], I[i-1, j], I[i, j+1], I[i, j-1])
                if(temp == 255):
                    I[i, j] = 255
                else:
                    I[i,j] = 0
    return I
```