OpenCV

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Tools and Software

- Numpy numerical computing (matrices)
- Matplotlib basic graphing + plotting
- OpenCV Computer Vision library

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- OpenCV (Open Source Computer Vision Library) is an open source computer vision and machine learning software library.
- ~2500 optimized algorithms

OpenCV Algorithm

- Detect and recognize faces,
- Identify objects,
- Classify human actions in videos,
- Track camera movements,
- Track moving objects,
- Extract 3D models of objects,

- Produce 3D point clouds from stereo cameras,
- Stitch images together to produce a high resolution image of an entire scene,
- Find similar images from an image database,
- Remove red eyes from images taken using flash,
- And etc.

OpenCV Examples

- 1. Load and Display Image
 - 1. Image Shape
 - 2. Converting to grey scale/color spaces
- 2. Create Images
- 3. Access Pixels
 - 1. ROI
 - 2. Change Brightness
 - 3. Invert
- 4. Writing/Drawing on images

Matplotlib

- Plotting library
- Important functions: imread, imsave, imshow, plot
- Be careful with the coordinates!
 - Imshow puts the y axis origin at the top of the frame (i.e., the y axis is "upside down")
 - Coordinates are usually represented as (x, y), but matrices are indexed (row, col)