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In [9]: import cv2
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import imutils
import easyocr
from ultralytics import YOLO
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## 1. Read in Image, Grayscale

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In [10]: img = cv2.imread('../data/good1.jpg')
plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB))
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Out[10]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x17cacf500>
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## 2. Import the pre-trained license detector model and find the license location

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In [11]: license_plate_detector = YOLO('license_plate_detector.pt')
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In [12]: license_plates = license_plate_detector(source=img, conf=0.60)
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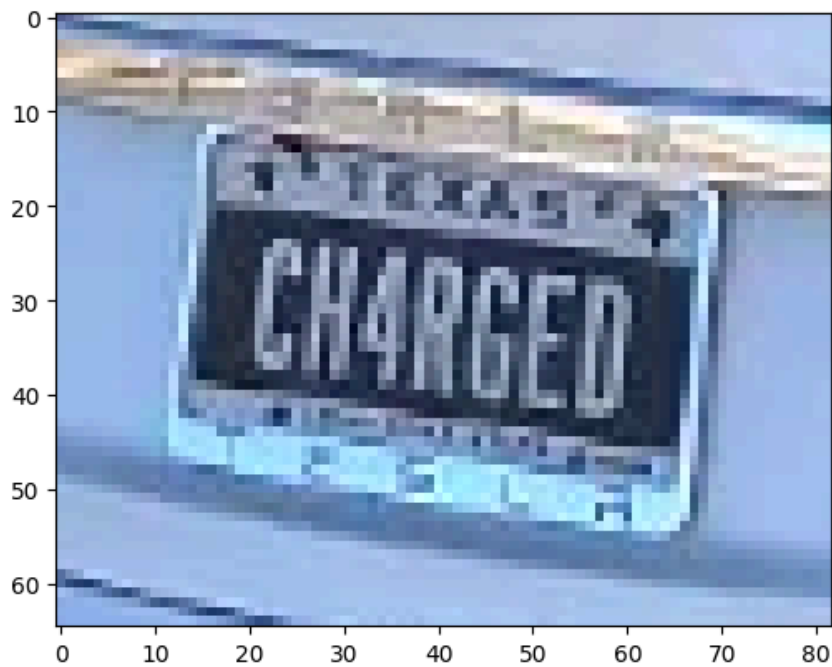
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0: 320x640 1 license_plate, 49.8ms
Speed: 2.3ms preprocess, 49.8ms inference, 0.8ms postprocess per image at shape (1, 3, 320, 640)
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In [13]: for license_plate in license_plates[0].boxes.data.tolist():
          x1, y1, x2, y2, score, class_id = license_plate
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## 3. Crop the image with the coordinates found above

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In [14]: # crop license plate
license_plate_crop = img[int(y1):int(y2), int(x1):int(x2), :]
plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(license_plate_crop, cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB))
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Out[14]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x2a0f85e20>
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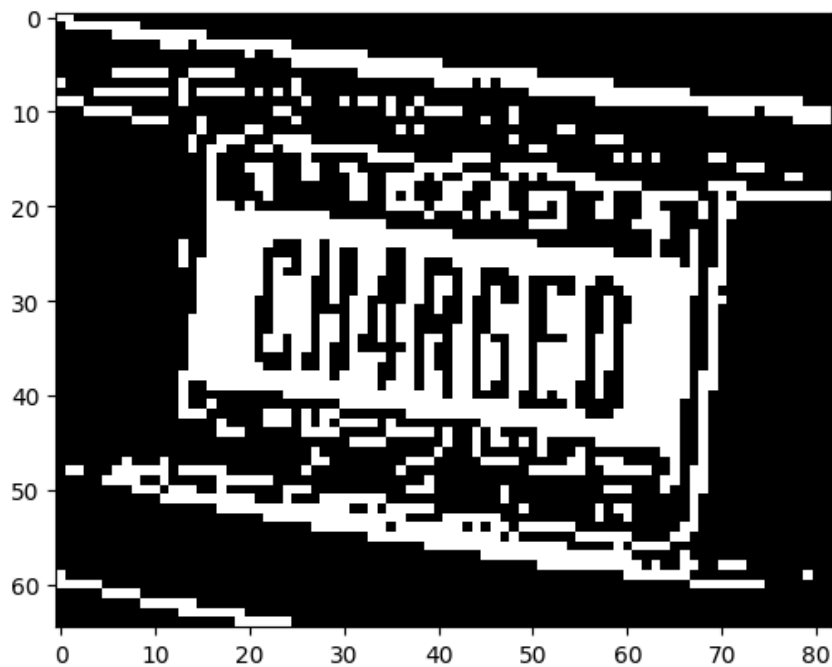
#### 4. Treat the cropped image

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In [15]: blurred = cv2.GaussianBlur(license_plate_crop, (3, 3), 0) # Apply Gaussian blur
          sharpened = cv2.addWeighted(license_plate_crop, 3, blurred, -1.95, 0) # Sharpen the image

          gray = cv2.cvtColor(sharpened, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY) # Convert to grayscale
          _, binary = cv2.threshold(gray, 0, 255, cv2.THRESH_BINARY_INV + cv2.THRESH_OTSU) # Thresholding

          plt.imshow(binary, cmap='gray')

Out[15]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x2a0ecef60>
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#### 5. Predict the text contained in the treated image

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In [16]: reader = easyocr.Reader(['en'])  
result = reader.readtext(sharpened, detail=0)  
result
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Out[16]: ['ChArGED']
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