

LAB 1: Python and OpenCV Intro

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Agenda for LAB1

- Installation tips
- 2. Introduction to Python
- 3. The OpenCV library
- 4. Assigment for LAB1
- 5. Q&A and support







What is Python?



- Python is a high-level interpreted programming language
- □ It was created in 1991 by Guido van Rossum at Centrum Wiskunde & Informatica (CWI) in the Netherlands
- □ It's known for its clear syntax and readability that make it a powerful language used by many of the world's leading tech companies



Setup

□ To install Python, you are warmly encouraged to use the open-source Anaconda distribution



- It allows to create and activate different environments
- This is convenient in order to separate dependencies of different projects
- Suggestion: use the default settings for the installation
- A compact version (miniconda) can be downloaded from https://docs.conda.io/projects/miniconda/en/latest/#latest-miniconda-installer-links
- Follow the official installation instructions specific for your OS https://docs.conda.io/projects/miniconda/en/latest/miniconda-install.html



Create an environment

- Once the installation is complete, let's create our environment
- Open the terminal (Anaconda prompt on Windows) and type the following commands:

```
conda create --name computervision
conda activate computervision
conda install -c conda-forge opencv
conda install -c conda-forge notebook
```

- Every time you open a new terminal you must repeat the activate command to enable this environment
- Installing packets on the base environment is discouraged



Lab Computers

Some notes for the computers in the labs

Linux

- Python is pre-installed (use the command "python3")
- You can use pip to install opency
- Otherwise install and use miniconda (and then OpenCV through it)

Windows: two options

- 1. Use the Cygwin64 Terminal (Linux-like environment)
- 2. Install Miniconda and use Python from the Anaconda prompt
- Use conda or pip to install Opencv



Jupyter notebook

Jupyter Notebook is an open-source web application that allows you to create and share documents that contain live code, equations, visualizations and text



- □ For the first lab and for the mid-term homework, we will use it
- To launch it, type this command:

conda activate computervision
jupyter notebook

- After this, a web page should be opened
- You can move to your folder and create or load a new notebook (.ipynb extension)
- Organize your code in different cells and don't forget to comment it
- When finished, remember to save your file!



Producing Software in Python

- Write the source code in a .py file
- □ Run it



- Python is an interpreted language and not a compiled one
 - Anyway, compilation is sometimes automatically performed
 - Python compiles .py code to bytecode stored in .pyc or .pyo
 - Then the interpreter executes the bytecode on a Virtual Machine
- Every step is on-the-fly, the user just needs to run python myfile.py



Simple Sum Program

The sum is 6

```
# Program to display the sum of two integers
      print("Enter the first integer: ")
      number1 = int(input())
 6
      print("Enter the second integer: ")
      number2 = int(input())
 8
 9
      sum = number1 + number2
10
                                         Enter the first integer:
      print(f"The sum is {sum}")
12
                                         Enter the second integer:
                                          4
```



Some key points about Python

- Interpreted Language: the written code is translated to a computer-readable format at runtime
- Dynamically Typed: the Python interpreter does automatic data type assignment and management
- Indentation Syntax: Python uses whitespace indentation, rather than curly braces or keywords, to delimit blocks
- □ **Rich Libraries:** Python has a large standard library that is available for use
 - In case you need more packages, pip and anaconda package managers allows you
 to install third-party libraries.
 - To import a package, you just need to use the import function



Functions in Python

```
Argument type (not required)
      # Function definition
13
     def myfunction(arg1: int, arg2: float = 0.5) -> float: -
14
                                                                              Output type (not required)
15
16
           sum = arg1 + arg2
                                                                       →Argument default value (not required)
           return sum
                                         Argument name
18
19
                                         Return statement
20
21
      # Function usage
2.2
      n1 = 2
23
      n2 = 0.3
                                              ——— Standard function call
24
      mysum = myfunction(n1, n2) -
                                                           ─────── Verbose function call
25
      mysum = myfunction(arg1 = n1, arg2 = n2)
26
      mysum = myfunction(n1)
                                                    Function call using the default value for arg2
```

- Functions can be defined everywhere in Python
- Functions that don't return anything may not have the return statement



Classes: a Quick Look

- A class declaration is a logical abstraction that defines a new type
- □ It determines what an object of that type will look like
- An object declaration creates a physical entity of that type
 - An object occupies memory space, a type definition does not
- Each object of a class
 - Shares the same copy of member functions
 - Has its own copy of every variable declared within the class (almost always)

```
# Class declaration

Class MyClass:

# Constructor and method definitions

37
```



Constructors

- Every object we create will require some sort of initialization
- A class constructor is automatically called each time an object of that class is created
- A constructor function has always the *same name* (__init__) and has no return type

```
# Class declaration
33
34
    35
36
         # Constructor definition
37
         def init (self, a: int, b: int):
38
             self.width = a
39
40
             self.height = b
42
         # method definitions
43
         def area(self) -> int:
44
45
             area = self.width * self.height
46
             return area
```

NumPy Array

- NumPy, which stands for Numerical Python, is a library adding support for large, multi-dimensional arrays and matrices
- Numpy supports a variety of data types with various number of bit depth (e.s.: uint8, int8, float16...)
- An array or matrix can be initialized passing a standard python list to the

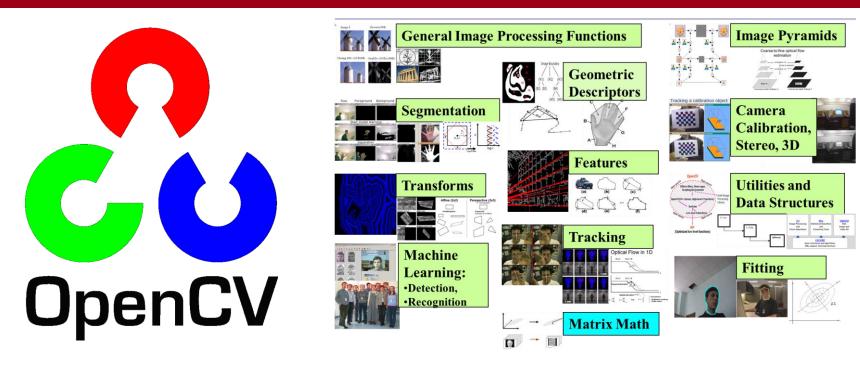
constructor

```
60
      import numpy as np
61
62
      # Basic constructor
63
      array = np.array([0, 1, 2, 3])
64
     print("array: ", array)
65
     print("array shape", array.shape)
66
     matrix = np.array([[0, 1, 2], [3, 4, 5]])
67
68
     print("matrix :", matrix)
69
     print("matrix shape", matrix.shape)
70
```

```
array: [0 1 2 3]
array shape (4,)
matrix : [[0 1 2]
[3 4 5]]
matrix shape (2, 3)
```



The OpenCV Library



- OpenCV (Open Source Computer Vision) is a library of programming functions mainly aimed at real-time computer vision
- The library is cross-platform and free for use under the open-source BSD license
- See the online documentation!

Image as numpy Array

- The primary data structure in OpenCV is the numpy array
- It stores images and their components
- Image attributes
 - shape length, width and number of num_channels (data type: tuple(int, int, int))
 - Possible num channels → 1: grayscale, 3: BGR, 4: BGR+Alpha (notice order: opency loads as BGR, not as RGB)
 - o dtype: <data_type><bit_depth>
 - data_type can be Unsigned, Signed or Floating points values

```
49
      import cv2 as cv
50
51
      image = cv.imread('image path.png')
52
      print("Image type: ", type(image))
53
54
      height, width, channels = image.shape
      print("Image shape: ", width, height)
55
56
      print("Image channels: ", channels)
57
58
      print("Data type: ", image.dtype)
59
```

```
Image type: <class 'numpy.ndarray'>
Image shape: 1917 972
Image channels: 3
Data type: uint8
```



Image as numpy array

```
74
      import numpy as np
75
76
     height = 1080
77
     width = 1920
78
79
      # Empty grayscale image
80
     image = np.empty(shape=(height, width, 1))
81
82
      # Grayscale image initialized to black (16 bit floating point)
83
      image = np.zeros(shape=(height, width, 1), dtype=np.float16)
84
      # Grayscale image initialized to white (32 bit floating point)
85
      image = np.ones(shape=(height, width, 1), dtype=np.float32)
86
87
      # RGB image initialized to black (8 bit unsigned int)
     image = np.zeros(shape=(height, width, 3), dtype=np.uint8)
88
      # RGB image initialized to white (16 bit signed int)
89
90
      image = np.ones(shape=(height, width, 3), dtype=np.int16)
91
92
      # RGB yellow image (8 bit unsigned)
93
      color = np.array([0, 255, 255])
94
      image = np.full(shape=(height, width, 3), fill value=color, dtype=np.uint8)
95
```

N.B.: Images can have pixel values either in range [0, 1] or [0, 255]



Numpy Image Access

```
99
       # Image data access
100
       # <array name>[row index, column index, channel index]
101
102
       pixel i = image[100, 200]
103
       channel green pixel i = image[100, 200, 1]
       print("pixel i", pixel i)
104
       print("channel green pixel i", channel_green_pixel_i)
105
106
107
       # Image patch access
108
       # Patch defined by rows from 100 and 149 included
109
       # and columns from 200 and 269 included
110
       patch = image[100:150, 200:270]
111
       print(patch.shape)
                                                   112
                                                   channel_green_pixel_i 255
                                                   patch_shape (50, 70, 3)
```



Numpy Functions

```
160
       import numpy as np
161
162
       mat 1 = np.ones((4,5))
163
       mat 2 = np.ones((4,5))
164
       mat 3 = np.ones((5,3))
165
166
       # Matrix sum of a scalar value
167
       mat 1 = mat 1 + 2
168
169
       # Matrix sum element wise
170
       out = mat 1 + mat 2
171
172
       # Prodcut for a scalar values
173
       mat 1 = mat 1 * 3
174
175
       # Hadamard product (element-wise)
176
       out = mat 1 * mat 2
177
178
       # Dot product
179
       out = np.dot(mat 1, mat 2)
180
181
       # Matrix product
182
       out = mat 1 @ mat 3
```



HighGUI Module

- Image I/O, rendering
- Processing keyboard and other events, timeouts
- Trackbars
- Mouse callbacks
- Video I/O

```
114
       import cv2 as cv
115
116
       # Create new window
117
       cv.namedWindow(winname: str, flags: int = cv.WINDOW AUTOSIZE)
118
       # Destroy a window
119
       cv.destroyWindows(winname: str)
120
       # Show a numpy image
       cv.imshow(winname: str, image: np.array)
121
122
       # Read an image from file
123
       cv.imread(filepath: str)
124
       # Write a numpy image to file
125
       cv.imwrite(filepath: str, image: np.array)
126
```



Image I/O Example

- OpenCV provides simple and useful ways to read and write images
- Note that there are many extra options to these commands which are available on the documentation
- waitKey(x: int) has two main features
 - if x > 0, then waitKey will wait x milliseconds
 - if x = 0, then waitKey will not move until key is pressed

```
127
       import cv2 as cv
128
129
       # Read an image from a file
       image = cv.imread("myimage.png")
130
131
132
       # Write an image to a file
133
       cv.imwrite("./my folder/new image.png", image)
134
135
       # Create window for output
136
       cv.namedWindow("My Image")
137
138
       # Output image to window
139
       cv.imshow("My Image", image)
140
141
       # Pause program
142
       key = cv.waitKey(0)
```



Mouse Callback

```
import cv2 as cv
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147
148
       # Set the callback function for any mouse event
       # The function my function will be called when some mouse event happens
149
150
       # You can pass data to the function (e.g., the image), use cast to recover the data
151
       cv.setMouseCallback("My window", my function, function params)
152
153
       # This function is automatically called when a mouse event happens
154
       # x,y: coordinates of mouse position, event: type of event, flags: get buttons status
155
      def my function(event: int, x: int, y: int, flags: int, function params):
156
           if event == cv.EVENT LBUTTONDOWN:
157
               print(f"Left click-position: {x}, {y}")
158
```



Assignment

Goal: Change the soccer shirt (or Ferrari cars or unipd flags) color in the image

Write a program that:

Loads one of the images stored inside the data folder (you can use the "roma.jpg", "f1.jpg" or "unipd.jpg" images)

- 1. Shows the image on a window
- 2. Captures the left click of the mouse and computes the mean RGB color over a 9x9 neighborhood of the clicked point
- 3. Segment the target regions by applying a static threshold to the three channels R, G and B (e.g., $\Delta R < 50$, $\Delta G < 50$, $\Delta B < 50$, but try to change the value)
- 4. Apply a new color to the selected regions (let's use BGR = (37,201,92))

Is the result satisfying?

- 5. Repeat the task but working with the CIE LAB color space
 - Hint: The luminance depends on illumination, try to segment using only the A and B components

Can you find a smarter way to better segment only the desired the regions?

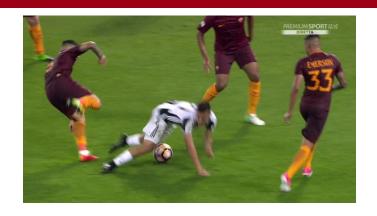








Example of the Results











Input

RGB

