Speed Limit Sign Detection

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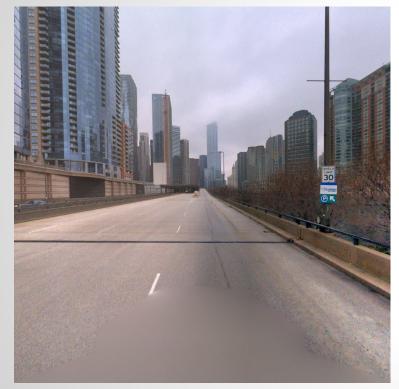
General Approach

C++ (Magick++ API)

Smooth out the image and then locate the edges

 Using the modified image, detect connecting edges to locate speed limit sign

Intermediate Stages



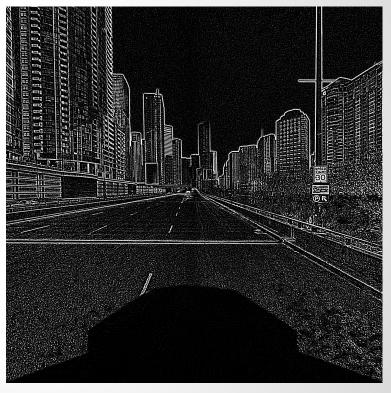
Original Image



Grayscale Image

Intermediate Stages





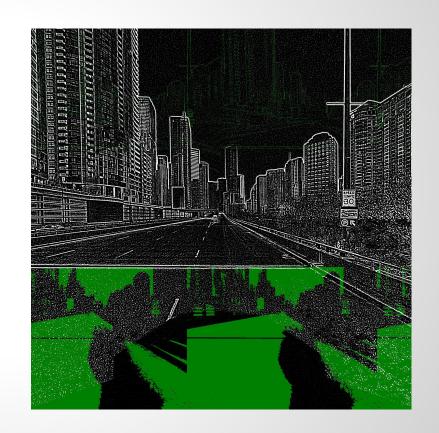
Blur Applied Edges

Current Stage

At this stage, I ran into difficulties when trying to locate the specific edges of the speed limit sign.

To do this, I was examining pixels and their surroundings, comparing pixel intensities.

I was seeing duplicate outlines and in the wrong locations, making it difficult to focus the search mechanism to the frame of a speed limit sign.



Challenges

- My initial approach to finding the speed limit sign has a brute force aspect, meaning tests can take a little while, which slowed my progress
- 2. In actually analyzing the pixels, I clearly ran into some issues. Part of this was a lack of understanding of the API I was working with, as the documentation was not particularly clear.

Future Steps

- Troubleshoot current issues, so that edges that are specifically outlined line up with the original image/edges
- 2. Finish specializing the program to locate the rectangular form of a speed limit sign
- 3. Quick final touches (returning appropriate textual information, taking an entire folder of photos as input, etc)