

Application Interface

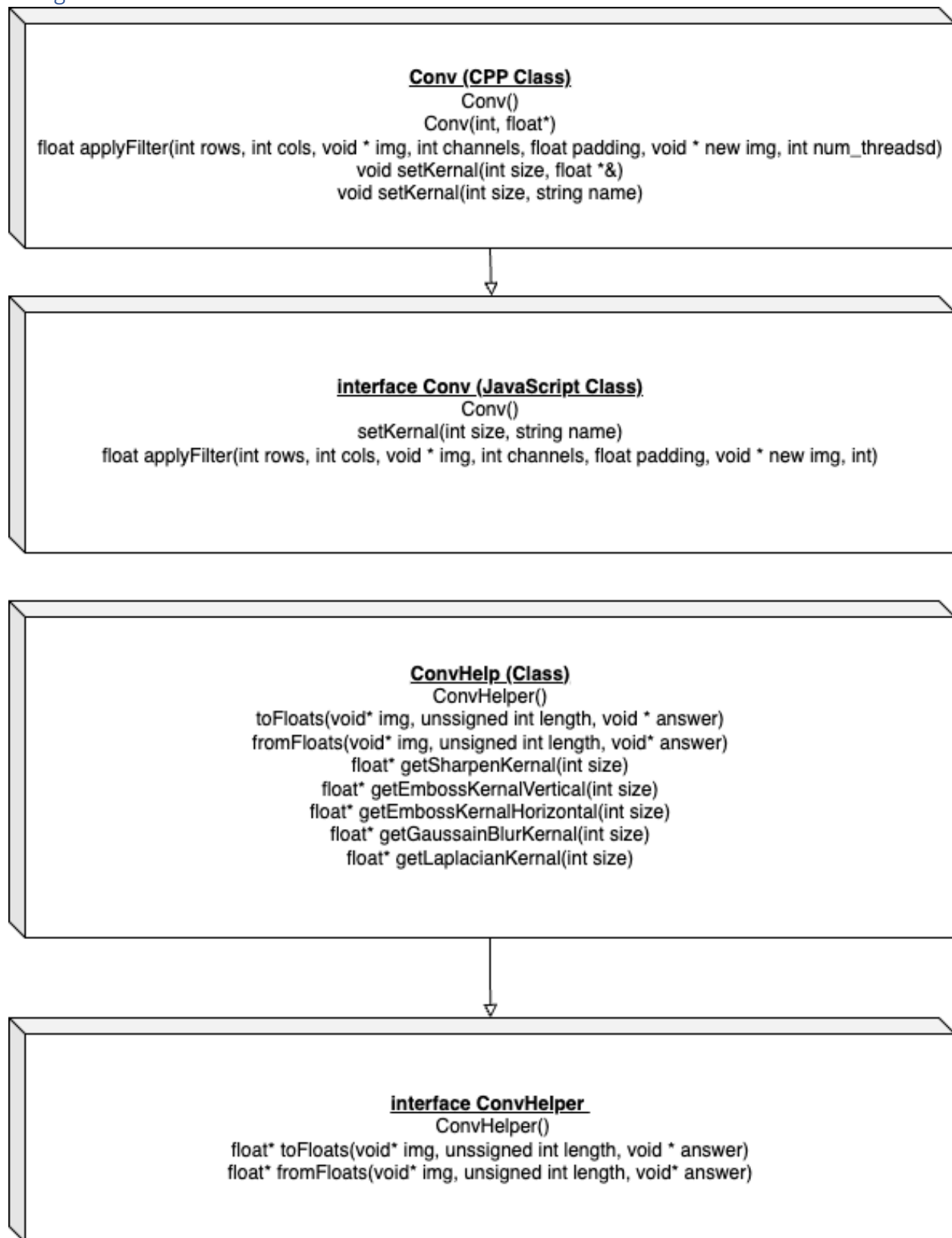
Purpose

This library is meant to allow fast image processing in the web browser. As everyone knows JavaScript code is very slow and, loops are usually the culprit. Leveraging the emscripten transpiler this library applies convolutions to images in an efficient manner, efficient enough for live video editing.

There is 2 classes output with this library. On top of all other emscripten dependencies adding output.js and output.wasm from the bin folder to any JavaScript project will grant that program access to the following classes.

This program can use a variable number of threads to complete its task. This will also be a factor to be analyzed by this report. In particular, how does threading the library affect the runtime as well as what might be the optimal number of threads to run the program.

Design



Method Description

Conv

- **Conv();**

Basic constructor to create the class. It will set the kernel to a 3x3 kernel with all values of 1/9. This is exported to the javascript class.

- **Conv(int, float&*)**

Constructor to set the size of the kernel and kernel on creation

- **float applyFilter(int rows, int cols, void* img, int channels, float padding, void* new_img, int num_threads)**

The main function of the class. Img is the float representation of the image. The data in new_img will be the data in img with the filter applied to it. It is important all void* are actually pointing to float arrays and are allocated of length row*cols*channels. This is exported to the javascript class.

A thread is created to calculate one row of the new image and then once num_threads gets created the program will wait for them all to finish. Once that is done more will spawn and continue until the new image is completed.

- **void setKernel(int size, float *&)**

Simple setter for the kernel

- **void setKernel(int size, std::string name)**

Setter that will use the private ConvHelper in the class to set the kernel. This is exported to the javascript class.

String literal to pass as a parameter	ConvHelper function that is used to set the kernel
“sharpen”	getSharpenKernel
“embossVertical”	getEmbossVertical
“embossHorizontal”	getEmbossHorizontal
“gassianBlurKernel”	getGaussoanBlurKernel
“laplacianKernel”	getLaplacianKernel
“edgeHorizontal”	getHorizontalEdgeKernel
“edgeVertical”	getVerticalEdgeKernel
“sharpen2type”	getSharpen2type

This is the suggested way to alter the kernel while executing in javascript.

- **float * getKernel()**

Getter to get the current kernel.

- **int getPosition(int x, int y, int c, int num_channels, int img width, int img length)**

Since the image is stored as a 1-dimensional array for speed of processing, this function takes the image properties and the target x,y,c of a pixel and returns the place in the 1 dimensional array where that pixel is. This is not typically used outside of the class, but is accessible.

- **void printKernel();**

Print the kernel that is being used for filtering. This is mainly helpful for debugging purposes.

- **float getPixelValue(int rows, int cols, float* img, int channels, float padding, int r, int c channel)**

Similar to getPosition, this function is used to get the new value of a pixel with the img data and the position data. This function is not typically used outside of the application

ConvHelper

- **float toFloats(void* img, unsigned int length, void* answer)**

Helper function to turn chars (0-255 unsigned ints) into floats. Will return the time it took to complete the transfer

- **float fromFloats(void* img, unsigned int length, void* answer)**

Helper function to turn floats into chars (0-255 unsigned ints). Will return the time it took to complete the transfer

These are the filters that are built into the library. When using the setKernal method in the Conv class these will be used. They are stored and maintained in each instance of the ConvHelper class.

- **float* getSharpenKernel(int size)**

-1.0	-1.0	-1.0		
-1.0	9.0	-1.0		
-1.0	-1.0	-1.0		
-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
-1.0	-1.0	25.0	-1.0	-1.0
-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0

- **float* getEmbossKernalVertical(int size)**

0.0	1.0	0.0		
0.0	0.0	0.0		
0.0	-1.0	0.0		
0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
0.0	0.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0
0.0	0.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0

- **float* getEmbossKernalHorizontal(int size)**

0.0	0.0	0.0		
1.0	0.0	-1.0		
0.0	0.0	0.0		
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1.0	1.0	0.0	-1.0	-1.0
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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• **float* getGaussianBlurKernal(int size)**

1.0/16.0	2.0/16.0	1.0/16.0		
2.0/16.0	4.0/16.0	2.0/16.0		
1.0/16.0	2.0/16.0	1.0/16.0		
1.0/256.0	4.0/256.0	6.0/256.0	4.0/256.0	1.0/256.0
4.0/256.0	16.0/256.0	24.0/256.0	16.0/256.0	4.0/256.0
6.0/256.0	24.0/256.0	36.0/256.0	24.0/256.0	6.0/256.0
4.0/256.0	16.0/256.0	24.0/256.0	16.0/256.0	4.0/256.0
1.0/256.0	4.0/256.0	6.0/256.0	4.0/256.0	1.0/256.0

• **float* getLaplacianKernal(int size)**

0.0	1.0	0.0		
1.0	-3.0	1.0		
0.0	1.0	0.0		
0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
0.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	0.0
1.0	2.0	-15.0	2.0	1.0
0.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	0.0
0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0

• **float* getHorizontalEdge(int size)**

1.0	2.0	1.0		
0.0	0.0	0.0		
-1.0	-2.0	-1.0		
1.0	4.0	6.0	4.0	6.0
2.0	8.0	12.0	8.0	4.0
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
-2.0	-8.0	-12.0	-8.0	-4.0
-1.0	-4.0	-6.0	-4.0	-1.0

• **float* getVerticalEdge(int size)**

1.0	0.0	-1.0		
2.0	0.0	-2.0		
1.0	0.0	-2.0		
1.0	2.0	0.0	-2.0	-1.0
4.0	8.0	0.0	-8.0	-4.0
6.0	12.0	0.0	-12.0	-6.0
4.0	8.0	0.0	-8.0	-6.0
1.0	2.0	0.0	-2.0	-1.0

- **float* getSharpen2Type(int size)**

0.0	-1.0	0.0		
-1.0	5.0	-1.0		
0.0	-1.0	0.0		
0.0	0.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0
0.0	0.0	-4.0	0.0	0.0
-1.0	-4.0	21.0	-4.0	-1.0
0.0	0.0	-4.0	0.0	0.0
0.0	0.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0

Code Example

C++

Right now the way this library is used in C++ is to add the source code to your code base. You will have to add conv.cpp, conv.h, convHelper.cpp convHelper.h. Then include the *.h files as normal where appropriate. Main.cpp is an example of using opencv to read in images, but whatever method of reading in images will work as long as it can be translated to an float or char array.

1. Include classes

```
#include "convHelper.h"
#include "conv.h"
```

2. Set up classes

```
ConvHelper helper = ConvHelper();
Conv conv = Conv();
```

3. Set Kernel and load the data. The variable data is needs to be set to the char array containing the pixels of the image. If floats are already present that part can be skipped.

```
conv.setKernal(3, "sharpen");
unsigned char * arr = img.isContinuous()? img.data: img.clone().data;
unsigned int length = img.total()*img.channels();
```

4. Allocated needed arrays

```
float * img_float = new float[length];
float * conv_img_float = new float[length];
unsigned char* new_img_char = new unsigned char[length];
```

5. Convert to floats if needed

```
float time = helper.toFloats(img, length, img_float);
```

6. Apply filter and convert back from floats.

```
time += conv.applyFilter(rows, cols, img_float, channels, 1.0, conv_img_float, 8);
time += helper.fromFloats(conv_img_float, length, new_img_char);
```

At this point the altered image will be in the char representation at the address of new_img_char. If you save method needs floats then you can omit the last line and use the variable conv_img_float.

If main.cpp from the repo is going to be used to test opencv will have to be set up (There is already a CMakeList.txt for this) and it should be executed in the Code folder.

1. In the code folder execute `cmake .`
2. In the code folder execute `make`
3. This will create an a.out executable in the Code folder. Execute `./a.out ../Data/<filename>`
 - a. For this to run there will need to be a folder set up in Data similar to the images. For example if filename = dog.png then the folder /Data/dog must exist.

JavaScript

To use the javascript version of this library simply include the output.wasm and output.js files in your code like you would any other library.

1. Set up the classes

```
var conv = new Module.Conv();
var convHelper = new Module.ConvHelper();
```

2. Allocate and set the image data. Keep in mind that the image variable is a javascript array

```
image = removeAlpha(image)
var imageCharHeap = Module._malloc(image.length * image.BYTES_PER_ELEMENT);
```

3. Allocate float array and set it. Only necessary if the data was read in as chars

```
var imageFloatHeap = Module._malloc(image.length * Float32Array.BYTES_PER_ELEMENT);
var timeFirstConversion = convHelper.toFloats(
imageCharHeap, image.length, imageFloatHeap);
```

4. Allocate the needed arrays

```
var appliedImageFloat = Module._malloc(image.length *
Float32Array.BYTES_PER_ELEMENT);
var newImageHeap = Module._malloc(image.length * image.BYTES_PER_ELEMENT);
```

5. Set Kernel and apply the filters

```
conv.setKernel(size, filter);
time += conv.applyFilter(rows, cols, imageFloatHeap, channels, 1.0,
newImageFloatHeap, 8)
```

app.js is an example of this, Jimp is required for app.js to run, “npm install jimp” can satisfy that requirement. While in the Code folder simply execute “node bin/app.js ../Data/dog.png”. On top of Jimp this program requires node version 19.0 for the threads to compile correctly.

In addition to app.js there is a website altering the image live from a webcam. To run this at the top of the repo `run python3 Code/website/simple_cors_server.py` In addition then navigate to <http://localhost:8003/Code/website/index.html>