HW4 image gradient (aka, calculus on an image) CSx73 CV 19sp Johnstone

In this HW, you explore the gradient (and its use in Harris and other feature detectors). Since it is eventually important to move your code to a more efficient language like Python, you will implement gradient in Python/OpenCV (also because image gradient is implemented for you in Matlab using imgradientxy and imgradient).

due: 2.28.19

Question 1: image gradient in Python

Implement image gradient in Python/OpenCV. You should include a gradient magnitude function and a gradient direction function with the following prototypes:

Deliverables:

- Python code gradient.py
- a thresholded gradient magnitude image (w the associated function call)
- a thresholded gradient direction image (and the associated function call), both using your favourite image (different from the ones I have provided) (provide your original image so that the TA can replicate the result)

Question 2: finding lines with the gradient

Using the image gradient code from Q1, make your best attempt to find just the lines in the skyscraper image and the brick image that I have given you.

Question 4 (673 only)

Using MATLAB, write code to display an example of Harris, SIFT, and SURF on your favourite image (and save these images as deliverables too).

Question 5 (673 only)

Prepare a 1-page report on Harris and Stephens, A Combined Corner and Edge Detector, 1988, answering the following questions.

- what is their motivation?
- what are some of the problematic issues in solving their problem?
- what work is Harris built upon?
- what are the main problems with Moravec's corner detector?
- how does Harris implement nonmaximal suppression?
- how does Harris find edges?

Here is **Moravec's tech report** if you want to compare.