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## Introduction to OpenCV

### \* Include Files

⇒ The main header files of interest in  
.../opencv2/opencv.hpp.

↳ This includes all the relevant header files.

⇒ You can use the include file `opencv.hpp` to  
include any or every possible OpenCV function.

↳ But it will slow down compile time.

↳ For fast compilation, use specific header  
files.

⇒ The include files are located on disk under  
the /modules directory.

### \* First Program - Display a Picture

`cv::Matimg img = cv::imread("Path to file", -1);`

↓  
OpenCV functions live within  
the namespace called `cv`

↓  
Data structure to  
hold image

→ High-level routine that determines the  
file format to be loaded based on the  
filename; It automatically allocates  
the memory needed for the image data  
structure and returns `cv::Mat`.

`img.empty()`

→ See if an image was in fact read.

`cv::namedWindow("WindowName", CV_WINDOW_AUTOSIZE);`

{Name of the Window}

{Window property}

It may be set either 0 (default)  
or CV\_WINDOW\_AUTOSIZE

`cv::imshow("WindowName", img);`

`cv::waitKey(0);`

→ Asks the program to stop and wait for a key stroke.

→ If a positive argument is given, the program will wait for that number of milliseconds and then continue even if nothing is pressed.

→ If the argument is set to 0 or to a negative number, the program will wait indefinitely for a key-press.

`cv::destroyWindow("WindowName");`

→ Close the window and deallocate any associated memory usage.



## \* Second Program (Video)

cv::VideoCapture cap;

→ This object can open and close video files of as many types as ffmpeg supports

cap.open("filename");

⇒ When created in this way, the object is initialized to the beginning of the video.

## \* Moving Around

cap.set(CV\_CAP\_PROP\_POS\_FRAME, pos)

↓  
{ cv::VideoCapture  
object }

→ Antigen  
↓  
{ Set the frame of the video  
of pos frame }

frames = (int) cap.get(CV\_CAP\_PROP\_FRAME\_COUNT)

→ { Returns number of frame  
in the video }

width = (int) cap.get(CV\_CAP\_PROP\_FRAME\_WIDTH)

→ { Returns width of a frame in  
the video }

height = (int) cap.get(CV\_CAP\_PROP\_FRAME\_HEIGHT)

→ { Returns height of a frame in  
the video }

`cap >> frame;`  $\rightarrow$   $\{cv::Mat\}$ .

$\rightarrow$  get the current frame of the video

`Current_pos = (int) cap.get (cv::CAP_PROP_POS_FRAMES);`

$\rightarrow$  {get current frame position}

`cv::setTrackbarPos ("label", "Window Name", slider_pos, frame, callback);`

{number of frame}

{slider position address}

{At creates trackbar to the Window name given}

`void callback (int pos, void*);`

{Frame position}

## ★ A Simple transformation

`cv::GaussianBlur (input_image, output_image, cv::Size (S,S), 3,3);`

{Standard deviation in x direction}

$\sigma_x$

Kernel size



## \* Input from a Camera

⇒ cv::VideoCapture object works the same for files on disk or from a camera.

⇒ For the former, you give it a path/filename, and for the latter, you give it a Camera ID number.

→ 0, if connected to system

→ default is -1, which means 'just pick one'.

## \* Writing to an AVI File

cv::VideoWriter writer;

→ Video writer object.

writer.open(filename, CV\_FOURCC('M', 'J', 'P', 'G'),  
fps, size)

cv::Size size (width, height)

writer << frame

→ to write frame to the object

capture.release()

→ close the video file on capturing device.



# \* Important Modules in OpenCV

## 1. Core

The 'core' section contains all of the basic object types and their basic operations.

## 2. imgproc

Contains basic transformations on images, including filters and similar convolutional operators.

## 3. highgui

This module contains user interface functions that can be used to display images or take simple user input.

## 4. Video

The video library contains the functions you need to read and write video streams.

## 5. Calib3d

This module contains implementations of algorithms you will need to calibrate single camera as well as stereo or multicamera arrays.

## 6. features2D

This module contains algorithms for detecting, describing, and matching key-point features.

## 7. Objdetect

This module contains algorithms for detecting specific objects.

## 8. ML

Contains a wide array of ML algorithms implemented in such a way as to work with the matured data structure of OpenCV.

## 9. GPU

Contains most of the rest of the library functions optimized for operation on CUDA GPUs.

## 10. nonfree

You need to do some kind of special work in order to use them in a commercial product

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`g++ file-name.cpp `pkg-config --libs --cflags opencv``

→ (Compiling an OpenCV program)