# Lab 3

- Filters: filtering and noise attenuation / removal.
- The Sobel operator: computing the image gradient.
- The Canny detector: contour segmentation.
- Region segmentation using Flood-Filling.

## 3.1 Averaging Filters

Compile and test the file Aula\_03\_exe\_01.py

Analyze the code and verify how an averaging filter is applied using the function:

cv2.blur(src, ksize[, dst[, anchor[, borderType]]]) → dst

Write additional code allowing to:

- Apply  $(5 \times 5)$  and  $(7 \times 7)$  averaging filters to a given image.
- Apply successively (e.g., 3 times) the same filter to the resulting image.
- Visualize the result of the successive operations.

Test the developed operations using the **Lena\_Ruido.png** and **DETI\_Ruido.png** images.

## **TASK**

Analyze the effects of applying different **averaging filters** to various images, and to compare the resulting images among themselves and with the original image.

Use the following test images:

- fce5noi3.bmp
- fce5noi4.bmp
- fce5noi6.bmp
- sta2.bmp
- sta2noi1.bmp

#### 3.2 Median Filters

Create a new example (Aula\_03\_exe\_02.py) that allows, similarly to the previous example, applying median filters to a given image.

Use the function:

cv2.medianBlur(src, ksize[, dst])  $\rightarrow$  dst¶

Test the developed operations using the Lena\_Ruido.png and DETI\_Ruido.png images.

## **TASK**

Use the developed code to analyze the effects of applying different **median filters** to various images, and to compare the resulting images among themselves and with the original image, as well as with the results of applying **averaging filters**.

Use the same test images as before.

#### 3.3 Gaussian Filters

Create a new example (**Aula\_03\_exe\_03.py**) that allows, similarly to the previous example, applying Gaussian filters to a given image.

Use the function:

cv2.GaussianBlur(src, ksize, sigmaX[, dst[, sigmaY[, borderType]]])  $\rightarrow$  dst Test the developed operations using the **Lena\_Ruido.png** and **DETI\_Ruido.png** images.

## **TASK**

Use the developed code to analyze the effects of applying different **Gaussian filters** to various images, and to compare the resulting images among themselves and with the original image, as well as with the results of applying **averaging filters** and **median filters**.

Use the same test images as before.

## 3.4 Computing the image gradient using the Sobel Operator

Compile and test the file Aula\_03\_exe\_04.py

Analyze the code and verify how the Sobel operator is applied, to compute the first order directional derivatives, using the function:

cv2.Sobel(src, ddepth, dx, dy[, dst[, ksize[, scale[, delta[, borderType]]]]]) → dst

Note the following:

- The resulting image uses a signed, 64-bit representation for each pixel.
- A conversion to the usual gray-level representation (8 bits, unsigned) is required for a proper display.

#### **TASK**

Write additional code to allow applying the  $(5 \times 5)$  Sobel operator.

And to combine the two directional derivatives using:

$$result = GradientX^2 + GradientY^2$$

where *GradientX* and *GradientY* represent the directional derivatives computed with the Sobel operator.

Test the developed operations using the wdg2.bmp, lena.jpg, cln1.bmp and Bikesgray.jpg images.

## 3.5 Segmentation using the Canny detector

Create a new example (**Aula\_03\_exe\_05.py**) that allows, similarly to the previous example, applying the Canny detector to a given image.

Use the function:

cv2.Canny(image, threshold1, threshold2[, edges[, apertureSize[, L2gradient]]])  $\rightarrow$  edges

Note that this detector uses hysteresis and needs two threshold values: the larger value (e.g., 100) to determine "stronger" contours; the smaller value (e.g., 75) to allow identifying other contours connected to a "stronger" one.

Test the developed operations using the wdg2.bmp, lena.jpg, cln1.bmp and Bikesgray.jpg images

Use different threshold values: for instance, 1 and 255; 220 and 225; 1 and 128.

## **Optional**

Perform this operation not on a static image but using the feed of the camera

## 3.6 Region Segmentation using Flood-Filling

Create a new example (Aula\_03\_exe\_06.py) that allows segmenting regions of a given image.

Starting from a **seed pixel**, the **floodFill** function segments a region by spreading the seed value to neighboring pixels with (approximately) the same intensity value.

Use the function

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cv2.floodFill(image, mask, seedPoint, newVal[, loDiff[, upDiff[, flags]]]) → retval, rect
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to segment the **lena.jpg** image, using as a seed the pixel (430, 30) and allowing intensity variations of  $\pm 5$  regarding the intensity value of the seed pixel.

## **TASK**

Allow the user to interactively select the seed pixel for region segmentation.

Test the interactive region segmentation using the wdg2.bmp, tools\_2.png and lena.jpg images.