24-678: Computer Vision for Engineers
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PS3 Report
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Using 1 late day for this assignment

PS3-1 Information on filter combinations used

Median filter:

- kernel size: 5

```
smoothed_image = cv2.medianBlur(input_image, 5)
```

Figure 1. Code used for median filtering.

Bilateral filter:

- pixel value: 9 by 9 neighborhood
- $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2$: 75

```
smoothed_image = cv2.bilateralFilter(input_image, d=9, sigmaColor=75, sigmaSpace=75)
```

Figure 2. Code used for bilateral filtering.

Sharpening filter:

- kernel size 1
- $matrix \ = \ kernal\ size\ (1) \times \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 9 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

```
kernel = 1
sharpening_kernel = kernel * np.array([[-1, -1, -1], [-1,  9, -1], [-1, -1, -1]])
sharpened_image = cv2.filter2D(smoothed_image, -1, sharpening_kernel)
```

Figure 3. Code used for sharpening filtering.

PS3-1 PCB image (filter combination in order: median & sharpening)

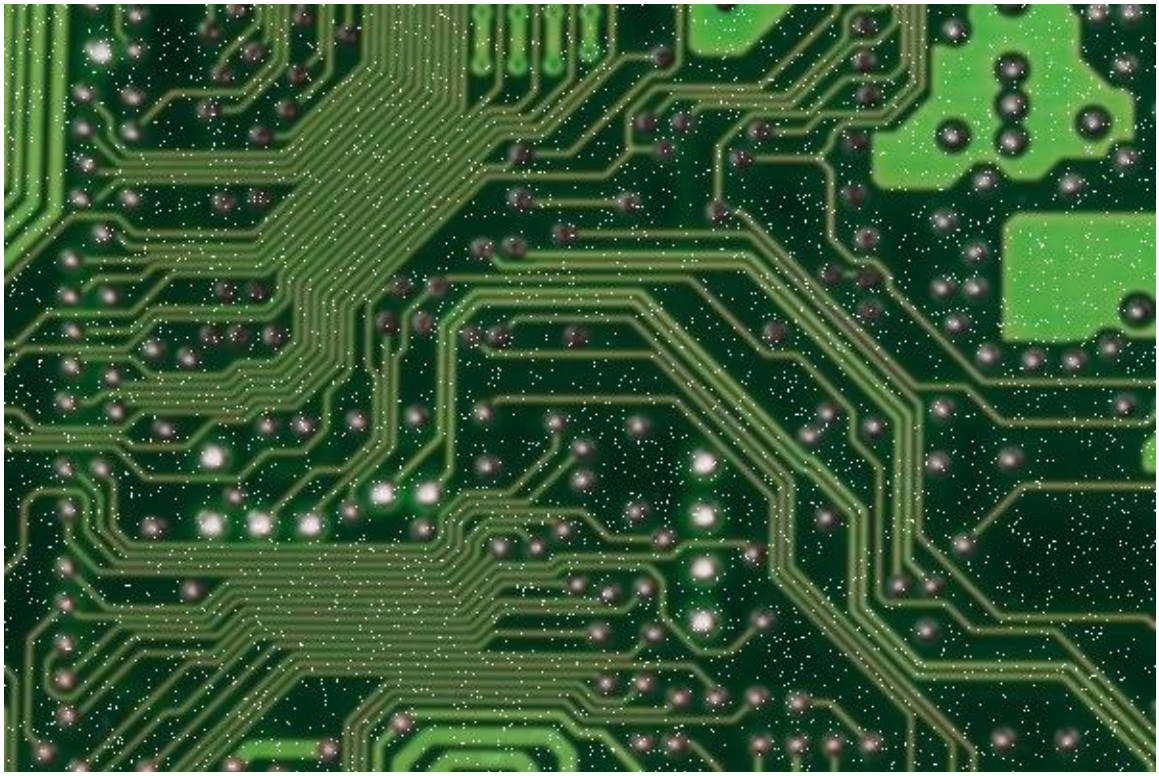

Figure 4. The given PCB image without filtering.

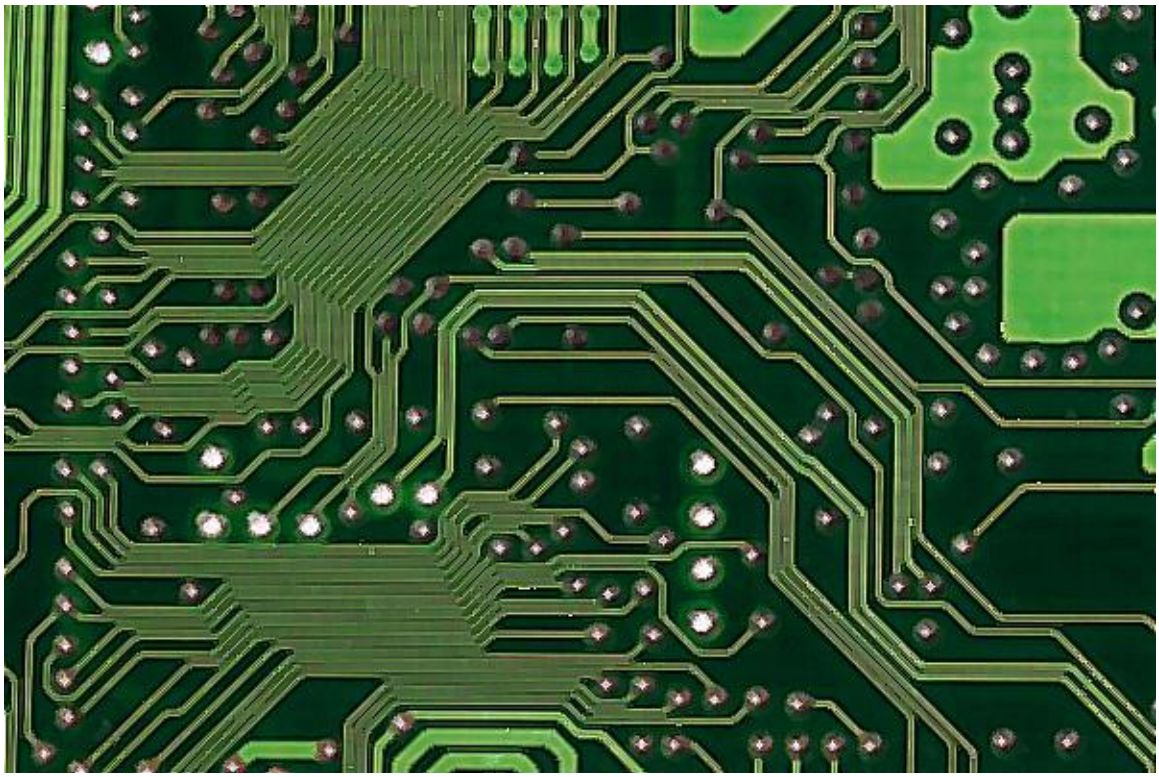

Figure 5. The improved PCB image with filters applied.

PS3-1 Golf image (filter combination in order: median & sharpening)

Figure 6. The given golf image without filtering.

Figure 7. The improved golf image with filters applied.

PS3-1 Pots image (Filter combination in order: median & sharpening)

Figure 8. The given pots image without filtering.

Figure 9. The improved pots image with filters applied.

PS3-1 Rainbow image (filter combination in order: bilateral & sharpening)

Figure 10. The given rainbow image without filtering.

Figure 11. The improved rainbow image with filters applied.

PS3-1 readme.txt

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PS3-1 Image improvement via area-to-pixel filters

Operating system: macOS Ventura 13.5.2
IDE you used to write and run your code: PyCharm 2023.1.4 (Community Edition)
The number of hours you spent to finish this problem: 6 hours.

PS3-2 Information on edge detection method used

Sobel:

- Horizontal Sobel matrix: $\frac{1}{16} \times \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -4 & 0 & 4 & 2 \\ -3 & -6 & 0 & 6 & 3 \\ -2 & -4 & 0 & 4 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- Vertical Sobel matrix: $\frac{1}{16} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -4 & -6 & -4 & -2 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

```python
def sobel_filter(grayscale_image_sobel):
    sobel_horizontal = 1 / 16 * np.array([[-1, -2, 0, 2, 1], [-2, -4, 0, 4, 2], [-3, -6, 0, 6, 3], [-2, -4, 0, 4, 2], [-1, -2, 0, 2, 1]])
    sobel_vertical = 1 / 16 * np.array([[1, 2, 3, 2, 1], [2, 4, 6, 4, 2], [0, 0, 0, 0, 0], [-2, -4, -6, -4, -2], [-1, -2, -3, -2, -1]])

    edge_horizontal = cv2.filter2D(grayscale_image_sobel, cv2.CV_64F, sobel_horizontal)
    edge_vertical = cv2.filter2D(grayscale_image_sobel, cv2.CV_64F, sobel_vertical)

    edge_magnitude = np.sqrt(edge_horizontal ** 2 + edge_vertical ** 2)
    edge_direction = np.arctan2(edge_vertical, edge_horizontal)

    return edge_magnitude, edge_direction
```

Figure 12. Code used for Sobel edge detection.

Canny edge:

```python
def canny_edge_filter(grayscale_image_canny, threshold1, threshold2, aperture_size, l2_gradient):
    aperture_size = max(3, min(aperture_size, 7))
    aperture_size = aperture_size if aperture_size % 2 != 0 else aperture_size - 1

    canny_edge = cv2.Canny(grayscale_image_canny, threshold1, threshold2, apertureSize=aperture_size, L2gradient=l2_gradient)
    negate_canny_edge_image = 255 - canny_edge

    cv2.imshow('Canny Edges', negate_canny_edge_image)

    return negate_canny_edge_image
```

Figure 13. Code used for Canny edge detection.

Findings and discussion:

In all the below comparisons, both Sobel and Canny edge detection method were used on each given image. The result shows that Sobel gives a slightly thicker edge border and also provides gradient information on both the horizontal and the vertical directions. However, Canny edge detection offers high-quality, well-localized edges and also reduces noise.

I would recommend using Sobel method when tasked with simpler image inputs that requires fast results. On the other hand, I would recommend using Canny edge method for more professional edge detection task.

PS3-2 Cheerios (Sobel and canny edge detection)

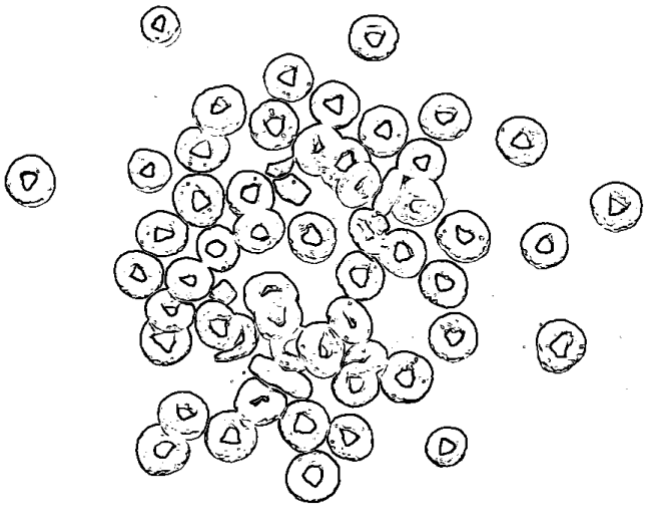

Figure 14. Cheerios binary image (Threshold: 195) with Sobel filter applied.

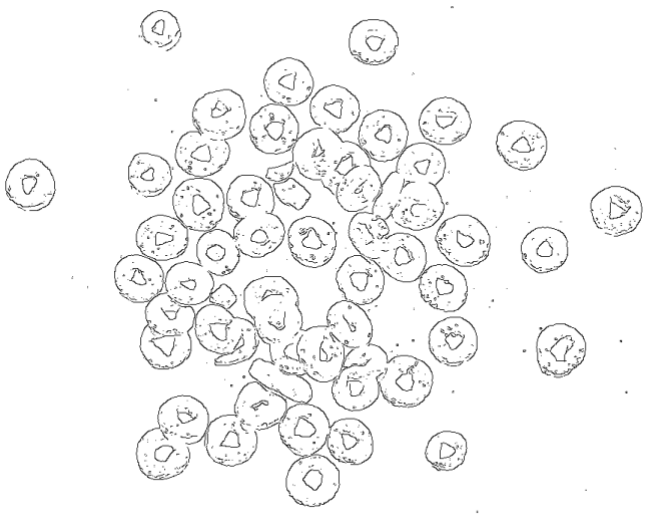

Figure 15. Cheerios image with canny edge detection applied. (Threshold 1: 255, Threshold2: 255, Aperture: 3, and using L2)

In Figure 14 and Figure 15, the given cheerios image is a mixed of simple and complex image structure with several edges. In this case, it will depend on your computational power and availability in using Sobel or Canny edge detection.

PS3-2 Professor image (Sobel and canny edge detection)

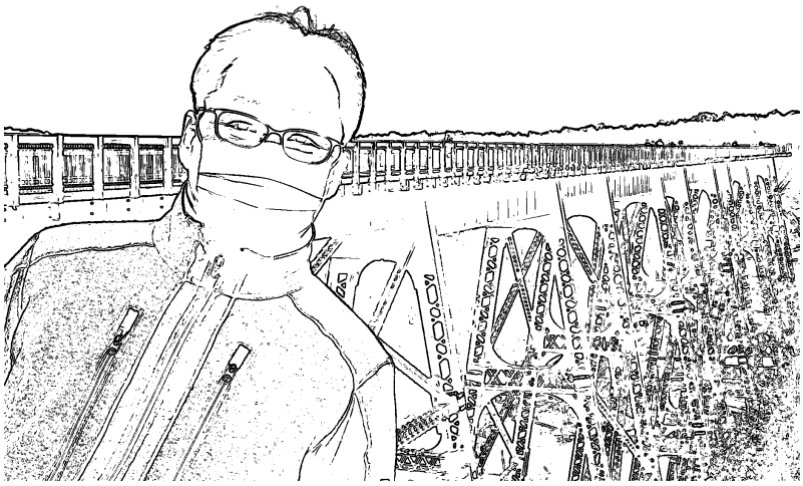

Figure 16. Professor binary image (Threshold: 220) with Sobel filter applied.

Figure 17. Professor image with canny edge detection applied. (Threshold 1: 150, Threshold 2: 50, Aperture: 3, and not using L2)

In Figure 16 and Figure 17, the given professor image can be considered a more complex image with many edges. In this case, the Canny edge detection would be the recommend method.

PS3-2 Gear image (Sobel and canny edge detection)

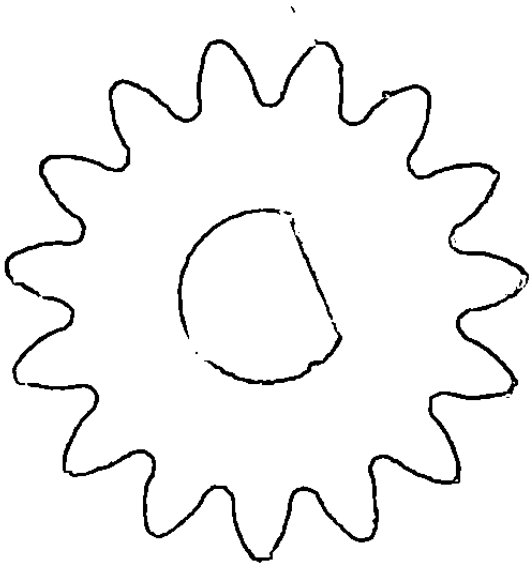

Figure 18. Gear binary image (Threshold: 155) with Sobel edge detection applied.

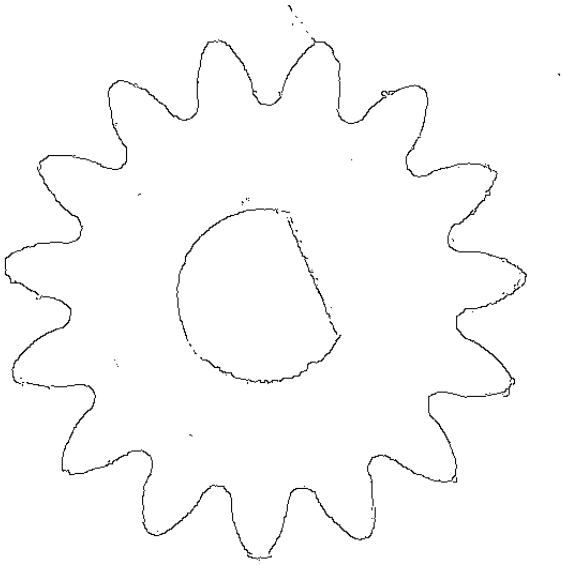

Figure 19. Gear image with canny edge detection applied. (Threshold 1: 255, Threshold 1: 255, Aperture: 3, and not using L2)

In Figure 18 and Figure 19, the given gear image can be considered a simpler image with less edges. In this case, the Sobel edge detection method would be sufficient.

PS3-2 Circuit image (Sobel and canny edge detection)

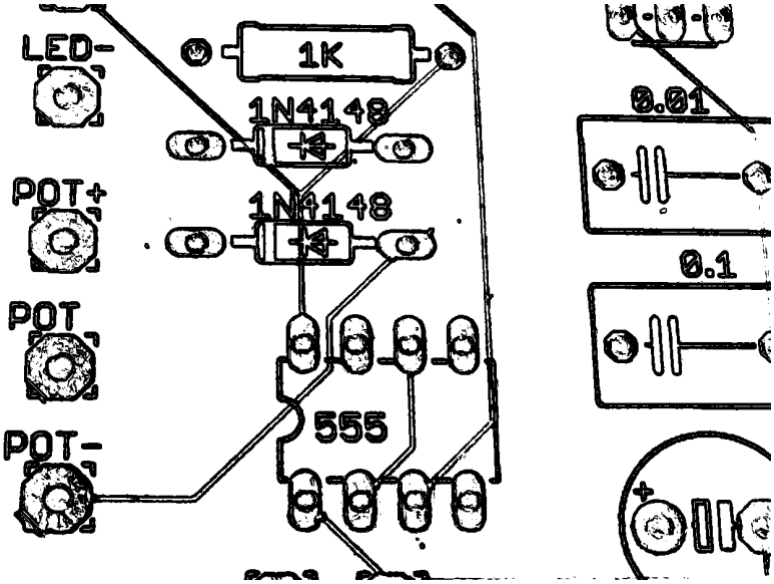

Figure 20. Circuit binary image (Threshold: 240) with Sobel filter applied.

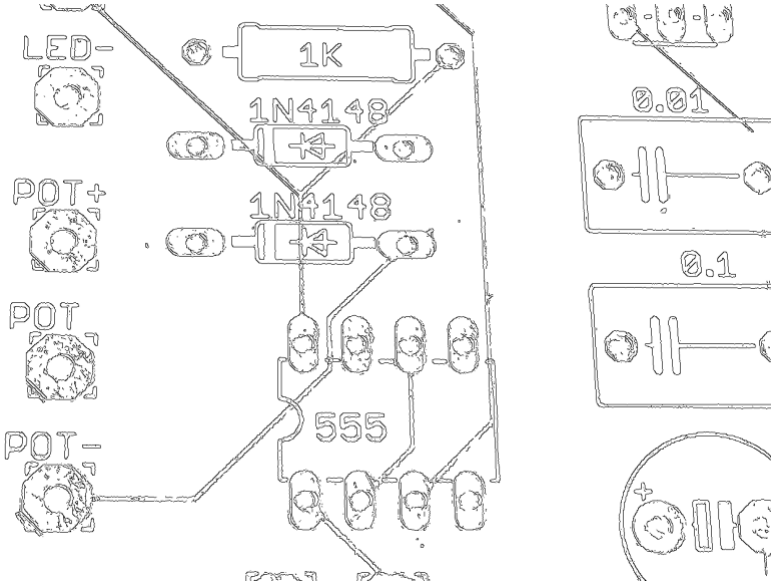

Figure 21. Circuit image with canny edge detection applied. (Threshold 1: 90, Threshold 2: 60, Aperture: 3, and not using L2)

In Figure 20 and Figure 21, the given circuit image can be considered a more complex image with many edges. In this case, the Canny edge detection would be the recommend method.

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PS3-2 Edge detection

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