

Reading, Manipulating and Saving Grayscale Image using Matplotlib.

We are going to talk about the real grayscale, real grayscale images, how to read those images, how to create the images, how to manipulate those images, how to create the images as matrices, and how to write the modified images back to the computer. First, we will be using matplotlib then further opencv.

Escape + Y → Code
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Processing Grayscale Images.

`im = plt.imread("path")`

`type(im) → numpy.ndarray` / height ↑ width

`im.shape → dimensions in (row, column)`
(949, 728)

`im.dtype → dtype('uint8')` → 8 bit
↓
unsigned integer

display
↑

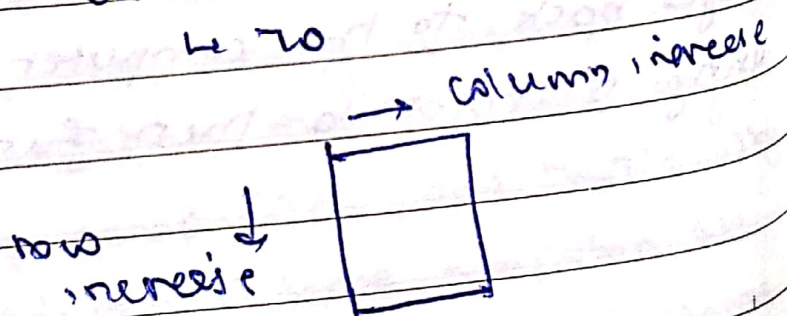
`plt.imshow(im, cmap="gray")`
→ color map.

`im → array([[85, 85, 85, ..., 62, 62, 62],`
`[85, 85, 85, ..., 64, 65, 64],`

...

img is a grid of numbers.
`[29, 37, 37, ..., 36, 43, 44],`
`[33, 40, 37, ..., 35, 43, 42]]`
, dtype = uint8)

`im[23, 300] → colorcode at that position`
↓ ↓
row column → 70



→ making an img copy. (coz original
img is read only)

`img2 = img.copy()`

Date: `copy (img)` is
read only

`img2[23:100, 40:100] = 255`

↓

Start from
row number
24 and go.

All row no. 100 (exclusively)

→ This means we
have picked
a patch and
assigned pure
white color in
that patch.

And not only that, we can assign different
colors, different intensity values to different
patches or different individual pixels, pure white,
pure black, or any other color.

`img2[300:400, 40:100] = 255` → grayish
color.

`plt.imshow(img2, cmap='gray')`

* saving img in the computer

`plt.imshow('r' path / filename.jpg', img2,
cmap='gray')`

So, this is how we treat a grayscale image
just like a two dimensional array of numbers.

Quiz

Can you replace ears with white color patches
in python

Solution

```
im = plt.imread('albert.jpg')
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```
im3 = im.copy()
```

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im3[330:430, 300:400] = 255 # left ear
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```
im3[330:430, 440:540] = 255 # right ear
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plt.show plt.imshow(im3, cmap="gray")
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