Lab 4 - Filtering, edge detection

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

4.1 Thresholding

Create a new program (**Aula_04_exe_01.py**) that allows applying Thresholding operations to gray-level images. Use the corresponding OpenCV function and create a resulting image for each one of the possible operation types: THRESH_BINARY, THRESH_BINARY_INV, THRESH_TRUNC, THRESH_TOZERO and THRESH_TOZERO_INV.

4.2 Averaging Filters

Compile and test the file Aula_04_exe_02.py.

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

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

Write additional code allowing to:

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

Test the developed operations using the Lena_Ruido.png and DETI_Ruido.png images.

Use the code of the previous example to 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

4.3 Median Filters

Create a new example (Aula_04_exe_03.py) that allows, similarly to the previous example, applying median filters to a given image.

Use the function:

dst = cv2.medianBlur(src, ksize[, dst])

Test the developed operations using the **Lena_Ruido.png** and **DETI_Ruido.png** images.

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.

4.4 Gaussian Filters

Create a new example (**Aula_04_exe_04.py**) that allows, similarly to the previous example, applying Gaussian filters to a given image.

Use the function:

Dst = cv2.GaussianBlur(src, ksize, sigmaX[, dst[, sigmaY[, borderType]]])

Test the developed operations using the **Lena_Ruido.png** and **DETI_Ruido.png** images.

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.

4.5 Computing the image gradient using the Sobel Operator

Compile and test the file Aula_04_exe_05.py.

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

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

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.

Write additional code to allow applying the (3×3) Sobel operator and to combine the two directional derivatives using:

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result = GradientX^2 + GradientY^2
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where *GradientX* and *GradientY* represent the directional derivatives computed with the Sobel operator.

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

Optional

Write additional code to apply the (5x5) Sobel operator and evaluate the results with the same (or another) images.

4.6 Canny detector

Create a new example (**Aula_04_exe_06.py**) that allows, similarly to the previous example, applying the Canny detector to a given image.

Use the function:

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edges = cv2.Canny(image, threshold1, threshold2[, edges[, apertureSize[, L2gradient]]])
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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