Exercise 4: Real Time Continuous Media

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Problem 1

USB hot-plug proof

Here is the dmesg showing the uvc driver pulling up the device.

```
root@cyclonev:~# dmesg | grep video
[ 0.267413] Linux video capture interface: v2.00
[ 921.138970] uvcvideo: Found UVC 1.00 device <unnamed> (046d:0802)
[ 921.181972] usbcore: registered new interface driver uvcvideo
```

Figure 1: As you can see dmesg shows the uvc driver recognize that the camera was plugged in

UVC driver verify

Here is a screenshot showing that we got the UVC driver installed on the DE1 board.

```
root@cyclonev:~# lsusb | grep C200

Bus 001 Device 006: ID 046d:0802 Logitech, Inc. Webcam C200

root@cyclonev:~# lsmod | grep video

uvcvideo 63506 0

videobuf2_core 26500 1 uvcvideo

videobuf2_vmalloc 2731 1 uvcvideo

videobuf2_memops 1845 1 videobuf2_vmalloc

root@cyclonev:~#
```

Figure 2: As you can see the Logitech webcam appears as does the driver

Problem 2

Use of tools such as camorama

Here, we have taken a screenshot of camorama running and some settings being adjusted.

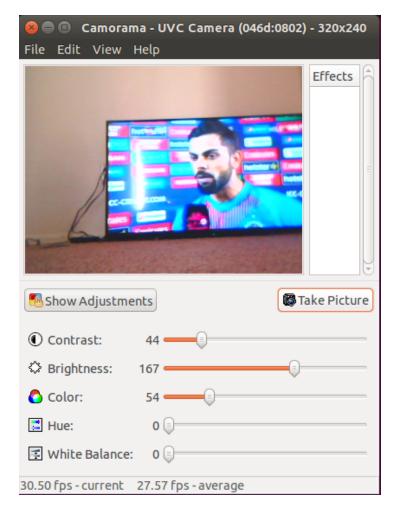


Figure 3: The camorama application running with a captrued photo

Problem 3

Build and Test

We did install openCV on the DE1, but since we are using a laptop we should verify it is installed here. I used the official arch repositories for the installation.

```
[zap@MIN exercise_4]$ yaourt -Q | grep`opencv'
extra/opencv 2.4.12.3-1
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[zap@MIN exercise_4]$ pkg-config --libs opencv
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-[/lib64 -lopencv_calib3d -lopencv_contrib -lopencv_core -lopencv_features2d -lopencv_flann -lopencv_gpu -lopencv_highgui -lopencv_imgproc -lop
v_nonfree -lopencv_objdetect -lopencv_ocl -lopencv_photo -lopencv_stitching -lopencv_superres -lopencv_ts -lopencv_video -lopencv_videostab -lt
m -ldl
```

Figure 4: Proof opency is installed on the system

Streaming Verification

Here, we have 2 examples of capture in progress.

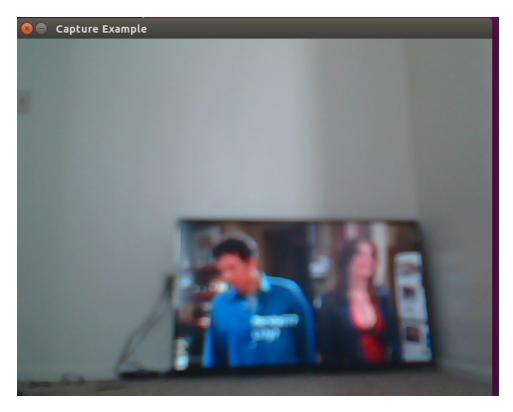


Figure 5: An example of capture

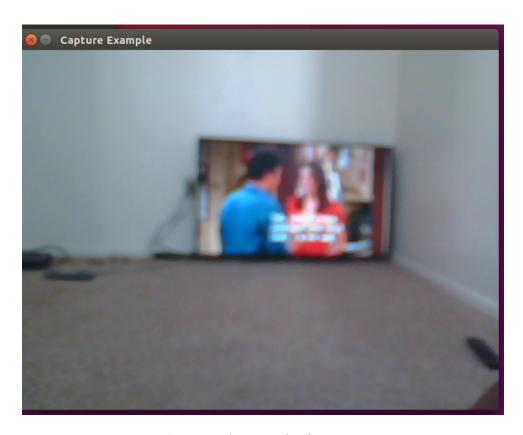


Figure 6: An example of capture

Problem 4

Demonstration of Tests

Here we have a demonstration that we ran the canny transformation example code.

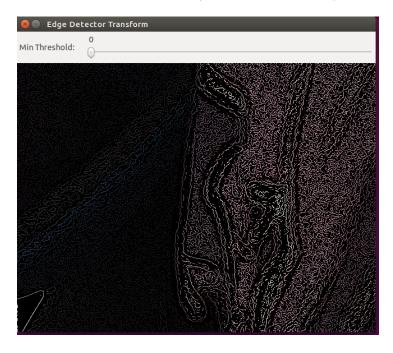


Figure 7: An example of the canny transformation code running

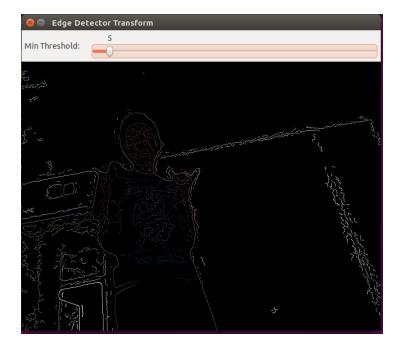


Figure 8: An example of the same code, but using the slideruler for different results

Description of Tests

The Canny Edge Detector is an edge detection operation that uses a multi-stage algorithm to detect a wide range of edges in images. It is the first derivative of a Gaussian and closely approximates the operator that optimizes the product of signal-to-noise ratio and localization. Canny Transform is known as the optimal detector and aims to satisfy three main criteria:

- Low error rate: Meaning a good detection of only existent edges.
- Good localization: The distance between edge pixels detected and real edge pixels have to be minimized.
- Minimal response: Only one detector response per edge

```
int lowThreshold=0;
int const max_lowThreshold = 100;
int kernel_size = 3;
int edgeThresh = 1;
int ratio = 3;
```

First, we declare some variables. The variable ratio defines the lower:upper threshold as 3:1. The kernel size is set to 3. The initial value of the lower threshold is set to 0 and the maximum value that it can take is set to 100

```
vCapture* capture;
int dev=0;
if(argc > 1)
{
    sscanf(argv[1], "%d", &dev);
    printf("usingu%s\n", argv[1]);
}
else if(argc == 1)
    printf("using_default\n");
else
{
    printf("usage: capture [dev] \n");
    exit(-1);
All of this code prepares a capture for the camera.
namedWindow( timg_window_name, CV_WINDOW_AUTOSIZE );
Third, we create a window to display the results.
createTrackbar( "MinuThreshold:", timg_window_name, &lowThreshold, max_lowThreshold
Then we create a Trackbar to adjust the canny transformation variables dynamically.
capture = (CvCapture *) cvCreateCameraCapture(dev);
cvSetCaptureProperty(capture, CV_CAP_PROP_FRAME_WIDTH, HRES);
cvSetCaptureProperty(capture, CV_CAP_PROP_FRAME_HEIGHT, VRES);
Now we actually start the capture and set the width and height.
cvtColor(mat_frame, timg_gray, CV_RGB2GRAY);
blur( timg_gray, canny_frame, Size(3,3) );
Canny( canny_frame, canny_frame, lowThreshold, lowThreshold*ratio,kernel_size );
timg_grad = Scalar::all(0);
mat_frame.copyTo( timg_grad, canny_frame);
imshow( timg_window_name, timg_grad );
```

Finally we do the actual Canny transform. First, we move to a grayscale frame because that's what the canny transform works with. Then, we reduce noise by high pass filtering with blur(). The third thing is to run the actual canny transform. The arguments are:

- canny_frame: Source image grayscale
- canny_frame: destination image grayscale
- lowThreshold: Is a low threshold variable for the transform
- ratio*lowThreshold: This is actually the high threshold for the transform
- defined to be 3

Then we call a copy to throw the canny results onto the timg_grad. Finally, we display the image.

Problem 5

Design Concepts

For the final part, we wanted to spawn 3 threads that each captured a frame and did a transform. These threads had to implement locking on the capture, and window creation functions because they were accessins the same resources. Those being the display manager and capture stream. We also implemented a function to find the standard deviation of the response time to help us get a good understanding of the difference in computation for various amounts of frames. Of course the timing was done with the systems real time clock.

Algorithm and Prototype Analysis

Here we see the table of normal frame rates on Zach's Archlinux installation, with a 1.8GHz processor, and a built in webcam for the hough transform, the canny interactive and the hough-eliptical transforms.

Resolutions	160X120	320X240	640X480	960X720	1280X960
Canny-Interactive (fps)	29.15	27.35	22.63	18.97	14.75
Deadline and 1/fps in parenthesis	38 ms (34 ms)	41 ms (36 ms)	50 ms (44 ms)	58 ms (53 ms)	74 ms (67 ms)
Hough-Eliptical (fps)	30.50	30.20	30.11	26.75	16.01
Deadline and 1/fps in parenthesis	36 ms (33 ms)	37 ms (33 ms)	39 ms (33 ms)	43 ms (37 ms)	67 ms (62 ms)
Hough (fps)	30.50	30.15	27.20	18.30	13.49
Deadline and 1/fps in parenthesis	36 ms (33 ms)	38 ms (33 ms)	43 ms (37 ms)	60 ms (55 ms)	80 ms (74 ms)

Final Predictable Response Jitter Analysis

As stated, we calculated the standard deviation for various amounts of frames to get a good grasp on jitter, while also tracking anytime a deadline is missed. The deadlines were set to the times above divided by 3 to account for the extra execution. The problem we ended up finding was that the camera could only output 30fps and the cvQuery function with a mutex locking it only returns 30 frames totale per second. That's because the frame is removed from wherever it is stored when the frame is taken, so when one thread gets a frame the next one has to wait for the camera to get another frame. This led to a frame rate of around 10fps for all of the transforms at every resolution. One can see this when executing the code in the PR5 folder submitted with the zip for this exercise.