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## About This Book

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- Take advantage of cutting-edge image processing functionalities included in OpenCV v3
- Understand and optimize various features of OpenCV with the help of easy-to-grasp examples

## Who This Book Is For

If you are a competent C++ programmer and want to learn the tricks of image processing with OpenCV, then this book is for you. A basic understanding of image processing is required.

## What You Will Learn

- Create OpenCV programs with rich user interfaces
- Grasp basic concepts and tasks in image processing such as image types, pixel access techniques, and arithmetic operations with images and histograms
- Explore useful image processing techniques such as filtering, smoothing, sharpening, denoising, morphology, and geometrical transformations
- Get to know handy algorithms such as inpainting and LUTs
- Leverage the color manipulation features of OpenCV to optimize image processing
- Discover how to process a video and the main techniques involved such as stabilization, stitching, and even superresolution
- Understand the new computational photography module that covers high-

dynamic range imaging, seamless cloning, decolorization, and non-photorealistic rendering

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