

Computer Vision

Text

- We will be covering material from several different textbooks and research papers.

[Szeliski11] *Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications*, by R. Szeliski, Springer-Verlag, 2011 (freely available from <http://szeliski.org/Book/>)

[Jain95] *Machine Vision*, by R. Jain et. al, McGraw Hill, 1995.

[Trucco98] *Introductory Techniques for 3-D Computer Vision*, by E. Trucco, and A. Verri, Prentice Hall, 1998.

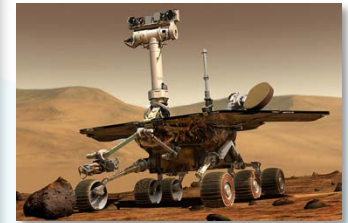
[Nawla93] *A Guided Tour of Computer Vision*, by V. Nawla, Addison-Wesley, 1993.

Course requirements

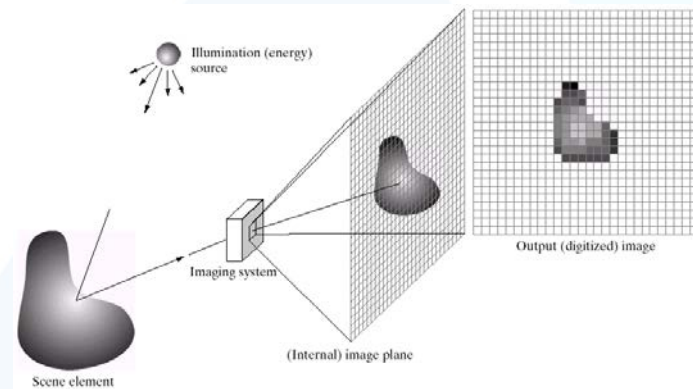
- Prerequisites— *these are essential!*
 - A good working knowledge of C/C++ programming
 - Data structures
 - Calculus, Linear algebra and Probabilities/Statistics (recommended)
- Course does ***not*** assume prior imaging experience

Course Outline (tentative)

- Introduction to CV
 - Relation to other fields
 - Main challenges
 - Applications

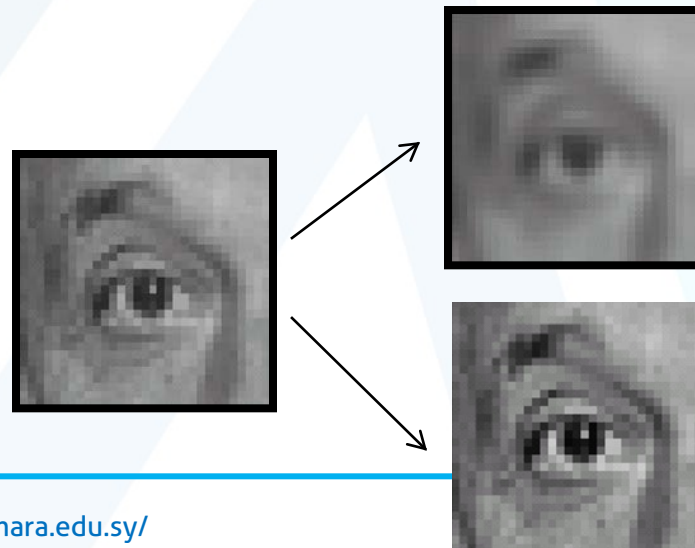
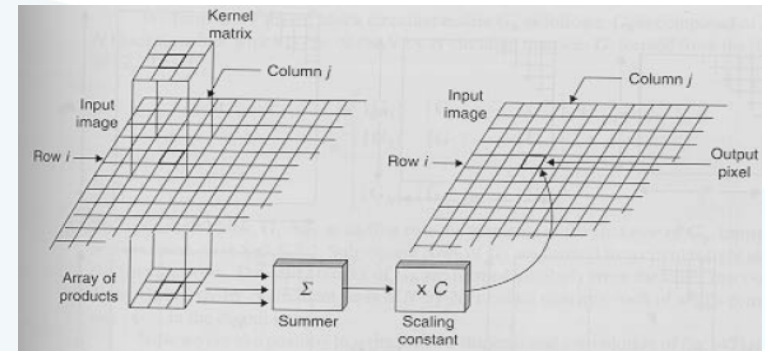


- Image Formation and Representation
 - Pinhole camera
 - Cameras & lenses
 - Human eye
 - Digitization



Course Outline (tentative)

- Image Filtering (spatial domain)
 - Mask-based (e.g., correlation, convolution)
 - Smoothing (e.g., Gaussian), Sharpening (e.g., gradient)



Course Outline (tentative)

- Edge Detection (e.g., Canny, Laplacian of Gaussian)



Course Outline (tentative)

- Interest Point Detection (e.g., Moravec, Harris)



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- Segmentation

- **Edge-based** (e.g., voting, optimization, perceptual grouping)

Examples: Hough Transform, Snakes, Tensor Voting

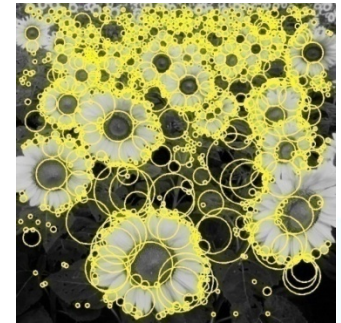
- **Pixel-based** (e.g., clustering)

Examples: Histogram-based, Graph-Cuts, Mean-Shift)

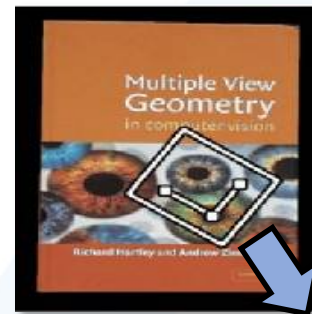


Course Outline (tentative)

- Feature Extraction
 - Geometric (e.g., lines, circles, ellipses etc.)
 - Blobs
- Description and Matching
 - SIFT, SURF, HOG, WLD, LBP



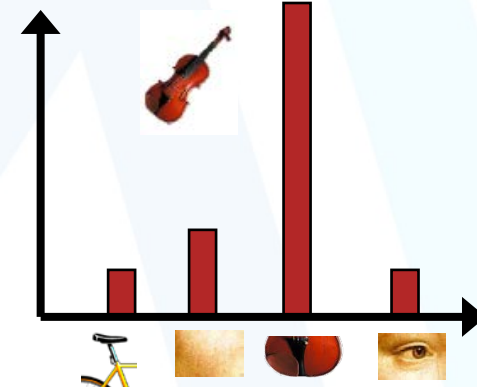
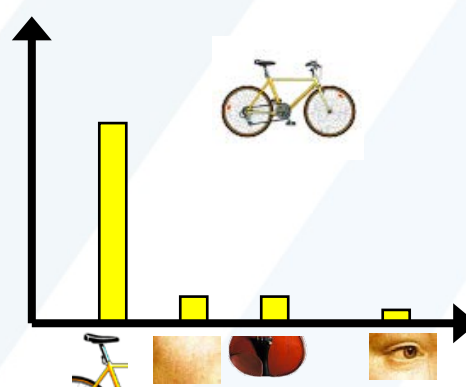
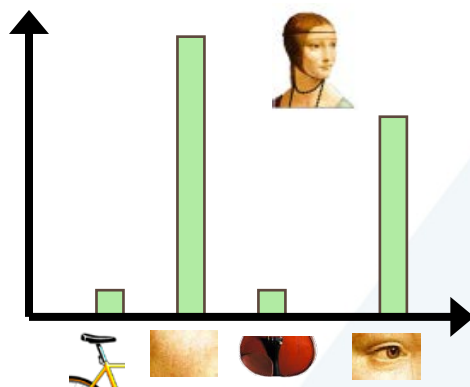
Feature extraction



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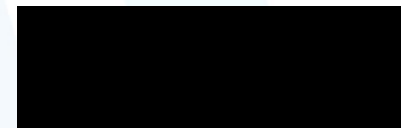
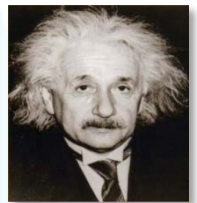
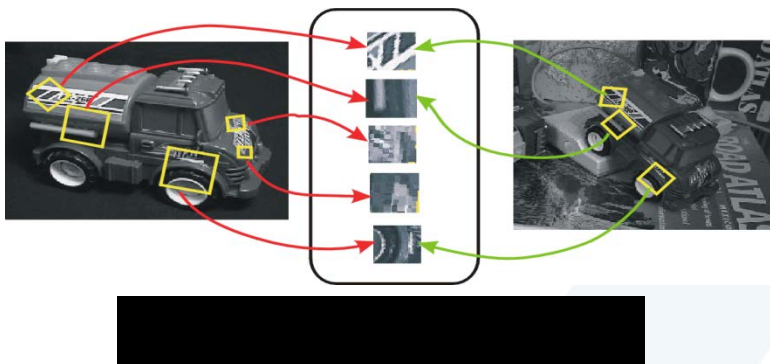
- Recognition

- **Geometry-based** (e.g., alignment, geometric hashing)
- **Appearance-based** (e.g., subspace, bag-of-features)



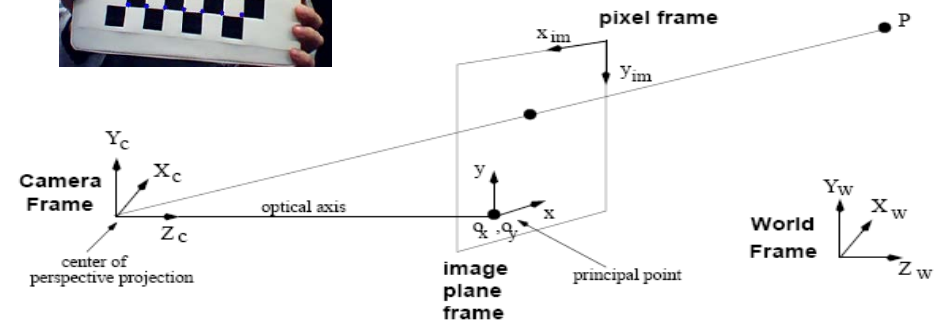
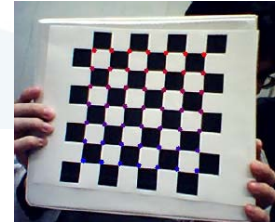
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- Recognition (cont'd)
 - Object recognition (single / category)
 - Face recognition

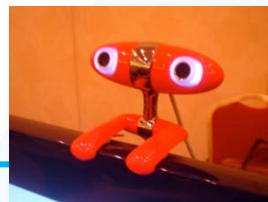


Course Outline (tentative)

- Camera Calibration
 - Camera parameters
 - 3D to 2D transformation



- Stereo Vision
 - 3D reconstruction from pairs of 2D images.



Grading

- Three exams (two midterm, final)
- Programming assignments
- Homework will be assigned but not graded

- Midterm: ~ 40%
- Final: ~ 50%
- Programming assignments: ~ 10%

Software

- You will not use any software package for most assignments.
- There might 1-2 programming assignments where you would need to use *OpenCV*.

<http://opencv.willowgarage.com/wiki/>

[OpenCV08] *Learning OpenCV: Computer Vision with the OpenCV Library*, by G. Bradski and A. Kaehler, O'Reilly Press, 2008.

Course Policies

- Lecture slides, assignments, and other useful information will be posted on web.
- If you miss a class, you are responsible for all material covered or assigned in class. .
- Discussion of the programming assignments is allowed and encouraged. However, each student should do his/her own work.

Assignments which are too similar will receive a zero.



Course Policies (cont'd)

- **No** late programming assignments will be accepted unless there is an extreme emergency.

Questions?