

Computer Vision Course

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Motivation: what is Computer Vision



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$$I(u, v)$$



$$F(x, y)$$



- Every Picture tells a story



Goal of CV:

- write computer programs that can understand something in the images

CV (Computer Vision)

- Image In \rightarrow Meaning Out

IP (Image Processing)

- Image In $>$ Image Out

- A picture is worth a million words

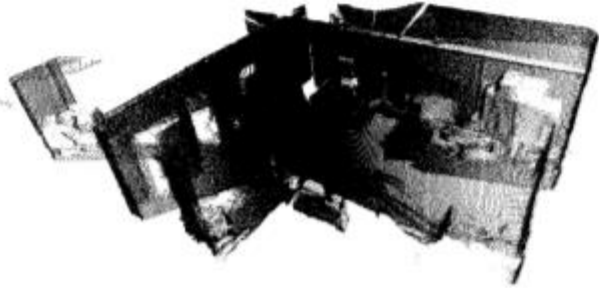


<http://www.lenna.org/>



- Goal of Computer Vision:
 - Perceive the “story” behind the picture.
 - Compute properties of the world: 3D shape, names of people or objects, what happened?
- Frustrating:
 - Computers still far from humans that are much better at hard things.
 - Rapid progress : what is considered hard keeps changing.

- Frustrating
 - depth range and image registration



Range 3D image

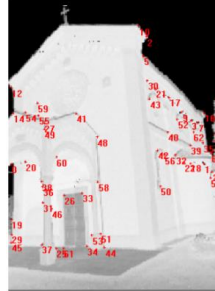
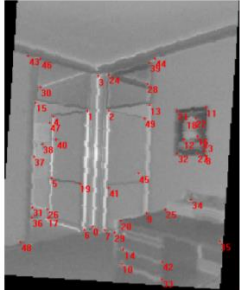


Digital Image



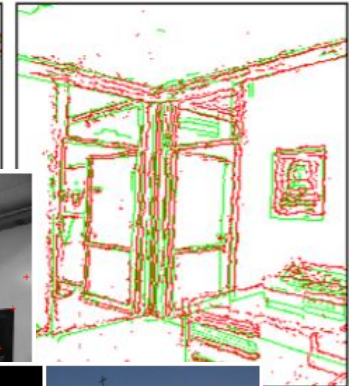
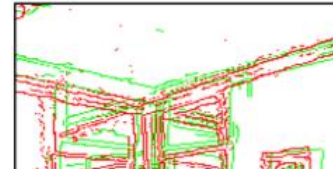
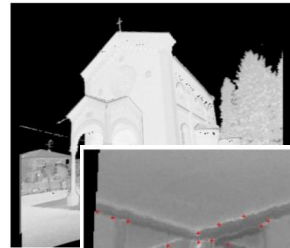
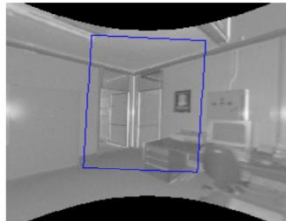
Nice 3D Model

- Frustrating
 - depth range and image registration



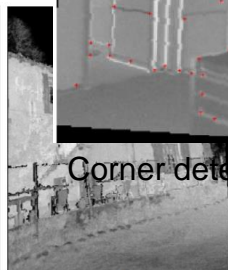
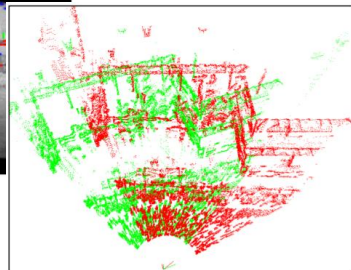
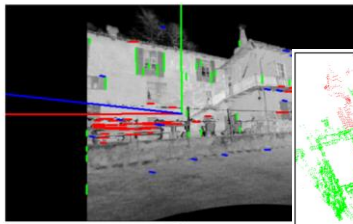
Distance transform

Need to find correspondences



Manual Input

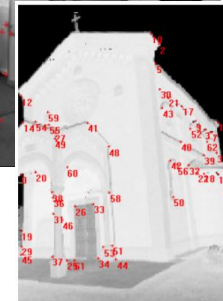
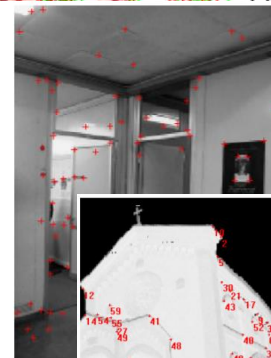
Conversion from spherical



Corner detection

Vanishing point estimation

Image rotation and reprojection

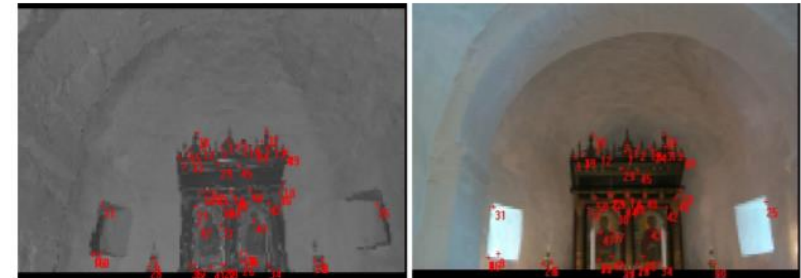


Template Matching

- At the end

The process still presents limitations and needs some rules during data acquisition to perform well

For this reason, a user interface gives the possibility to interact with the process in several points to check and/or guide the resizing and matching steps.



Bornholm: 51 correspondences (average distance between correspondences: 2.5 pixels)



Laveno farmhouse: 54 correspondences (average distance between correspondences: 4.3 pixels)

Figure 2-21: results of the matching algorithm between resized reflectance (left) and intensity image (right)

2.5 User interaction

The system presented in this chapter is almost fully automatic. The only step where user-interaction is necessary is the selection of the area of interest in the reflectance image at the beginning of the resizing process (see Figure 2-9).

The process still presents limitations and needs some rules during data acquisition to perform well. The resizing algorithm performance is related to the initial similarity between the images. It will fail with images taken from very different viewpoints. The *dfd* matching also has some limitations due to the different nature of the images. Its performance will be reduced in images with little texture information.



- OCR

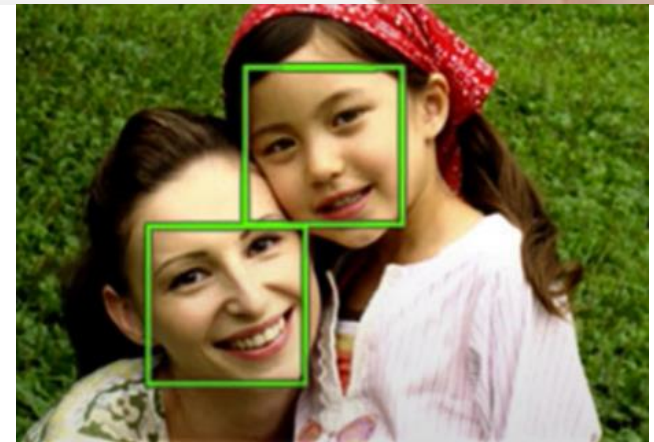
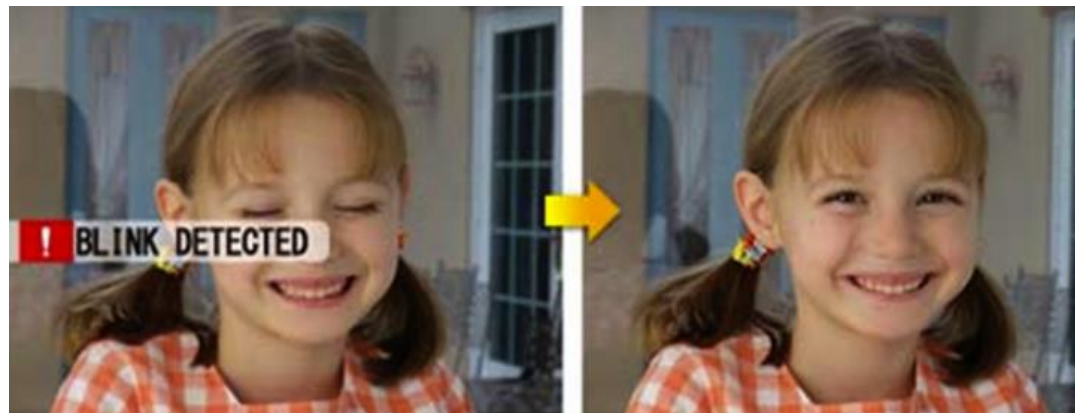


License plate detection



Automatic Hand-written recognition
Post office – Zip Code

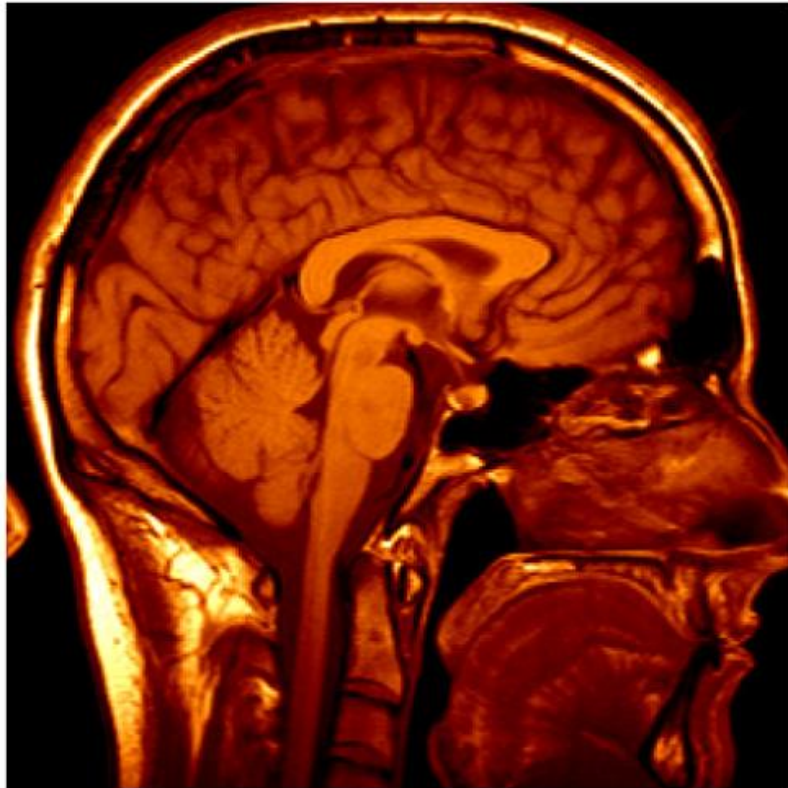
- Face Detection / Recognition



Sony Smile detection



- Medical Imaging

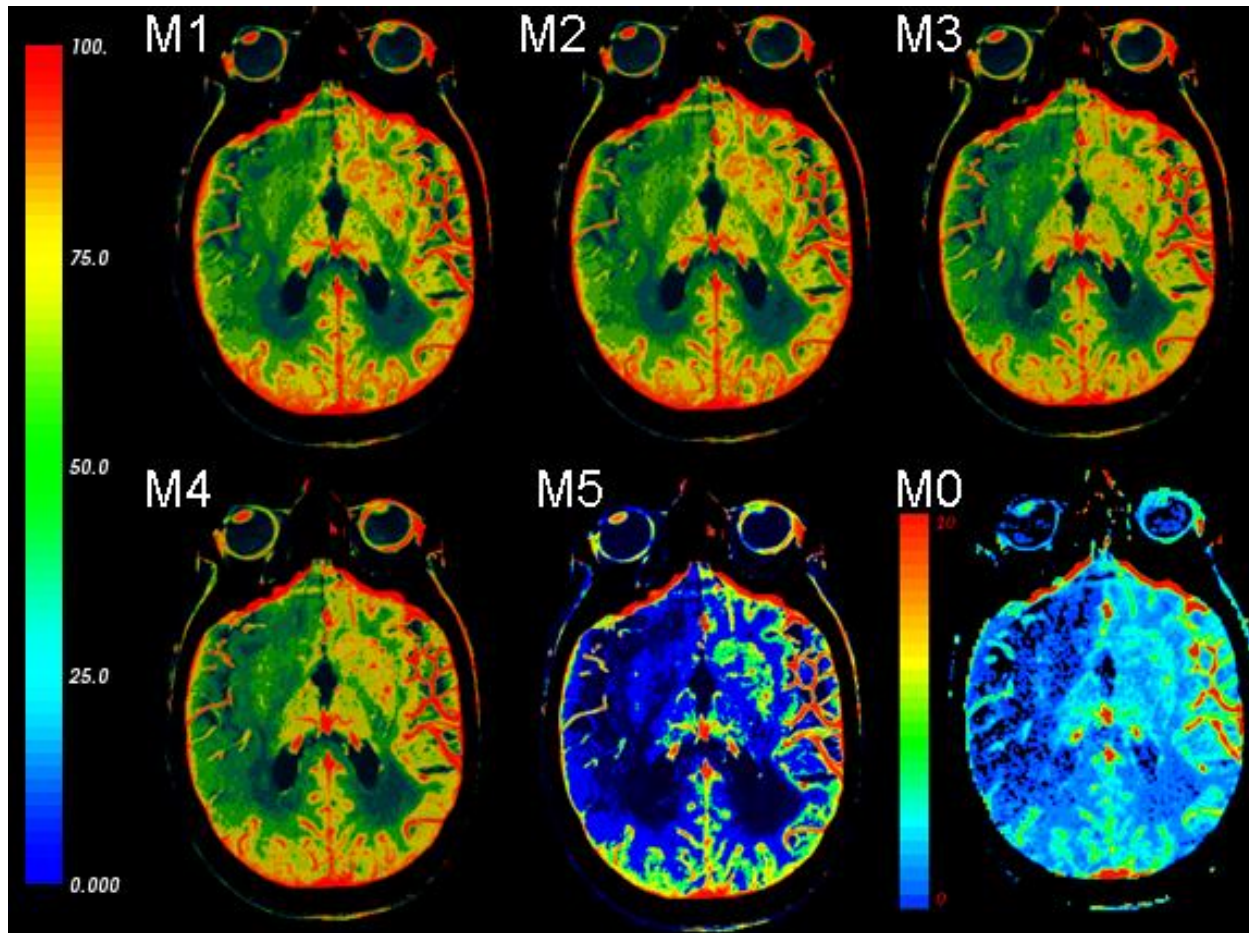


3D imaging
MRI, CT



Image guided surgery
Grimson et al., MIT

- Medical Imaging

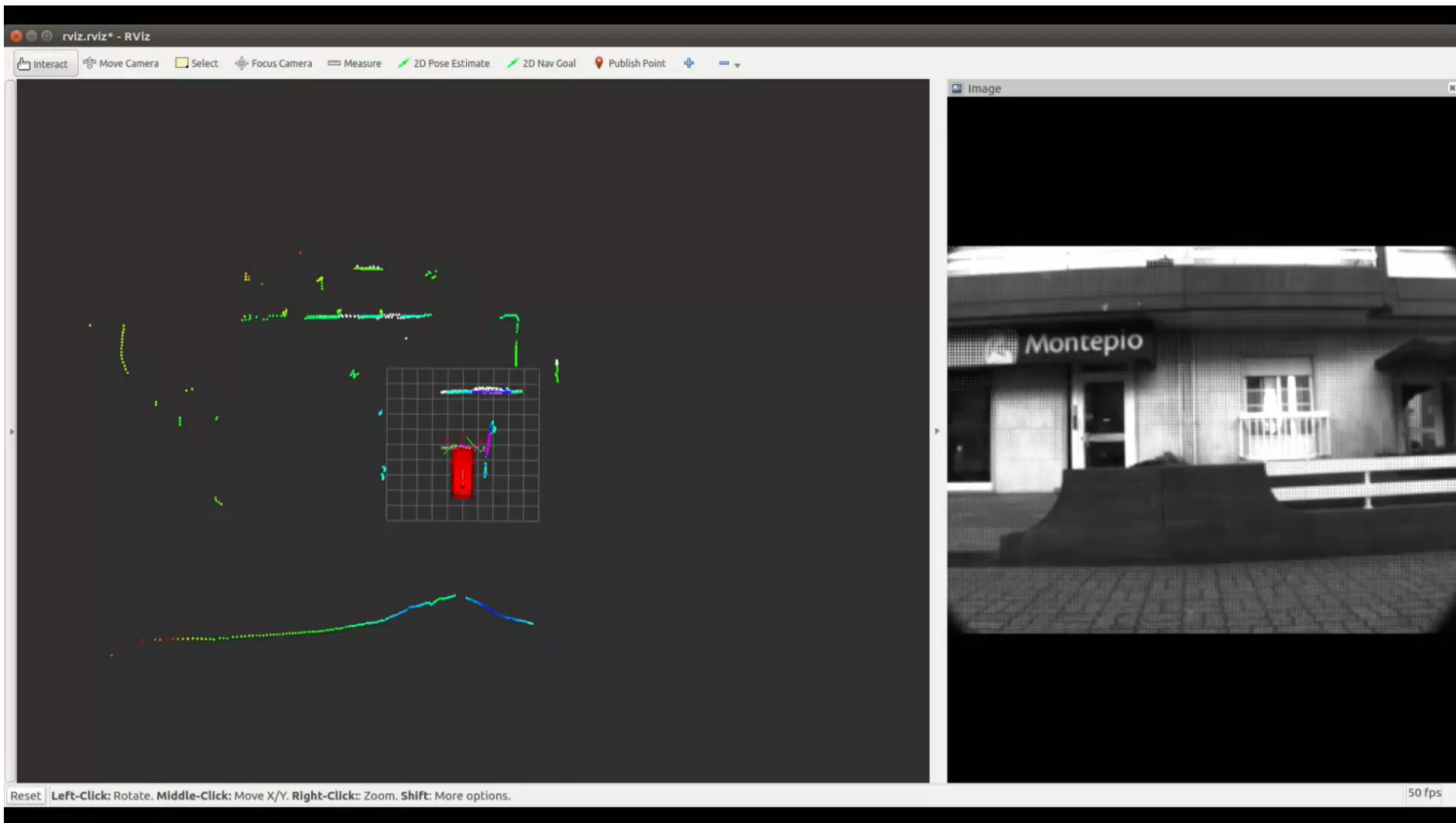


Suporte ao diagnóstico em Acidentes Cardio Vasculares / Miguel Moreira 2010

Computer Vision – applications – Autonomous Driving



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- Interaction



Ex: camera-based IR tracking.



KINECT™
for  Windows



Computer Vision - applications



- Sports

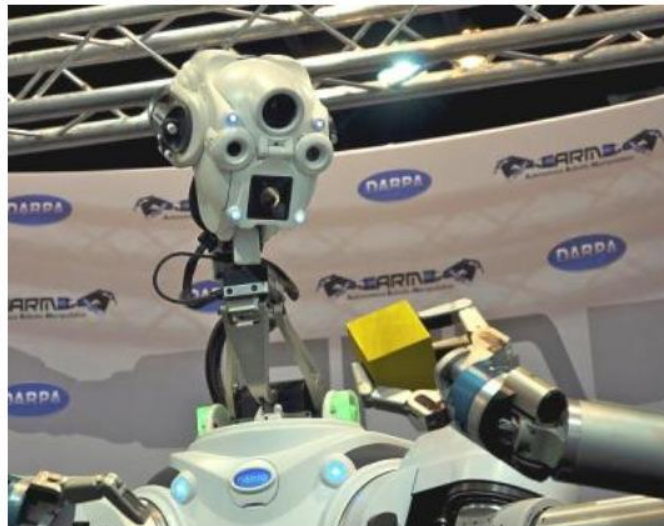


Highlights of the men's 4x200m relay final on Day 5.

- Shape and Motion Capture



- Robotics





- Space



The Heights of Mount Sharp

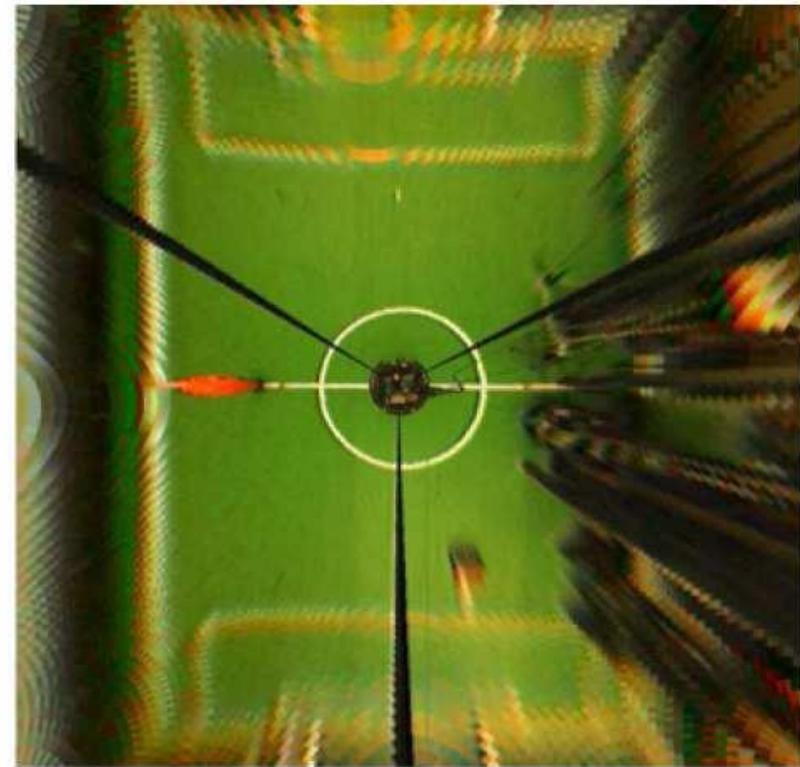
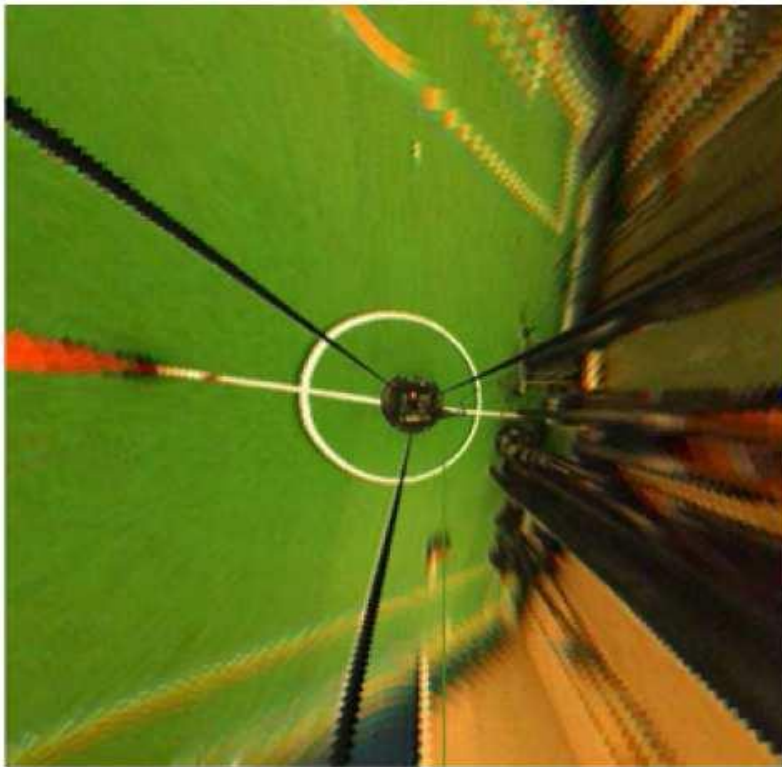
http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/msl/multimedia/pia16077.html

Panorama captured by Curiosity Rover, August 18, 2012 (Sol 12)



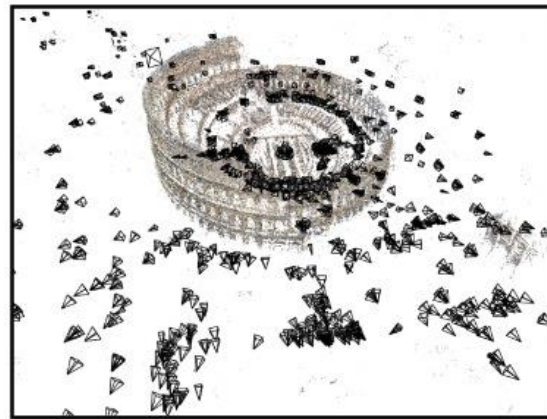


- Robotics





Internet Photos ("Colosseum")



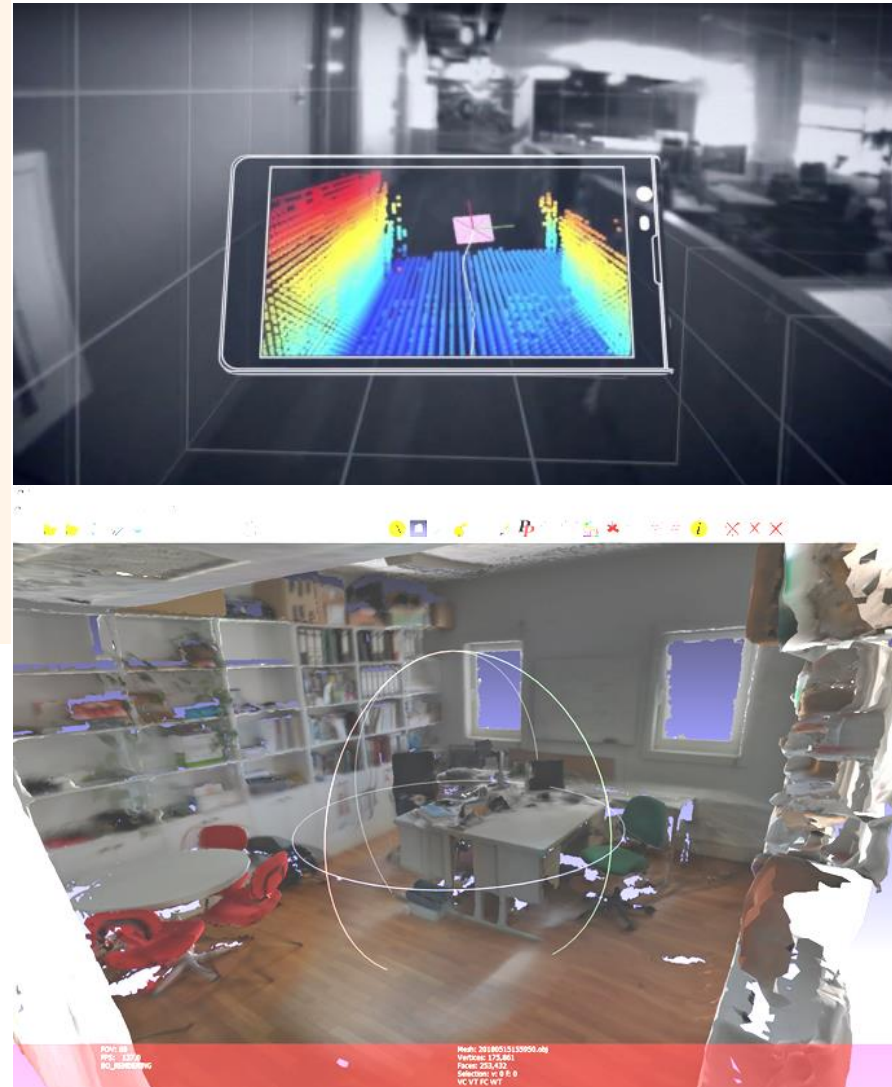
Reconstructed 3D
cameras and points



Dense 3D model



Anfiteatro IEETA

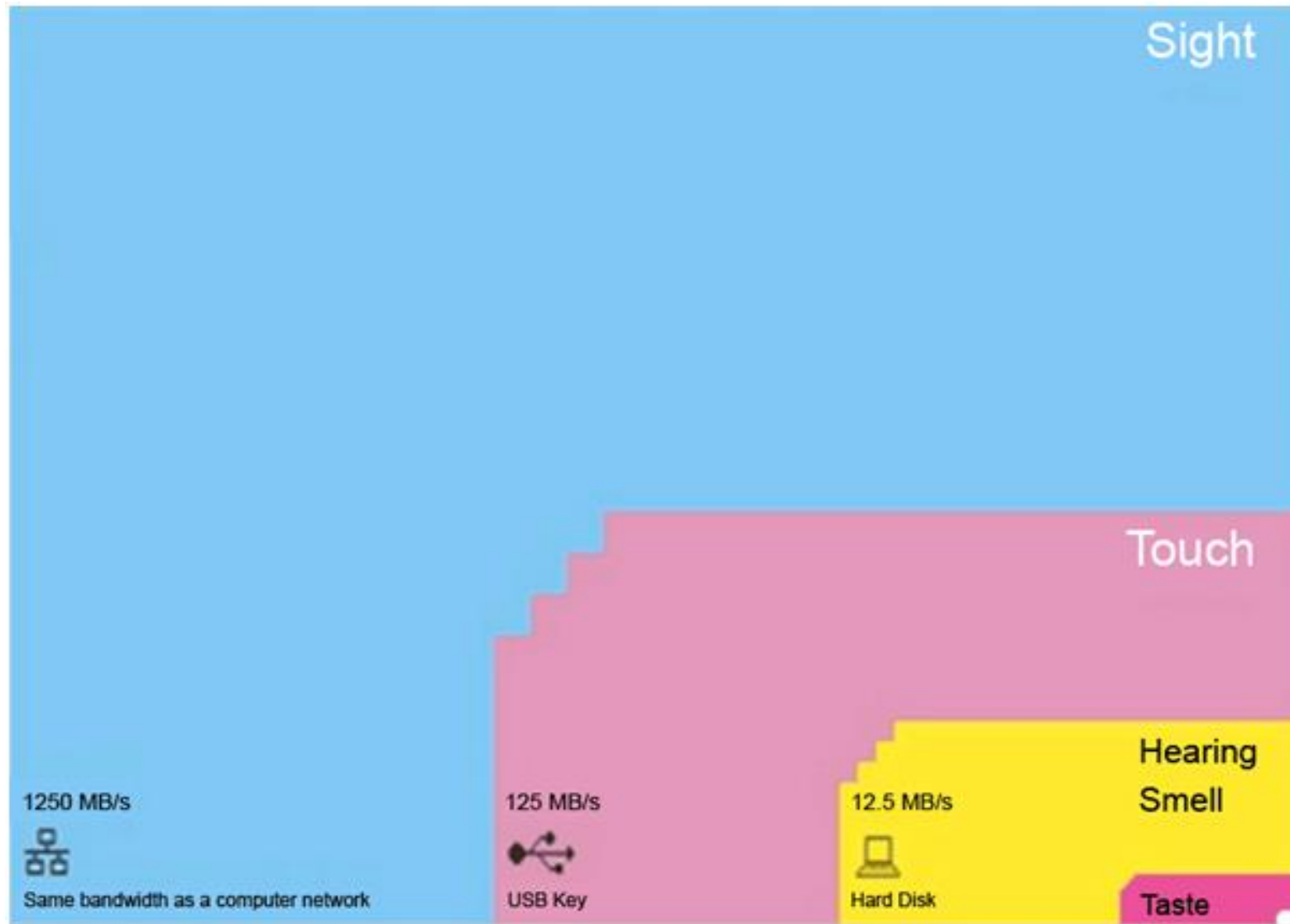


Gab. 005



- Can do amazing things like:
 - Recognize people and objects
 - Navigate through obstacles
 - Understand mood in the scene
 - Imagine stories
- But:
 - Suffers from illusions
 - Ignores many details
 - Ambiguous description of the world
 - Does not care about accuracy of world

Why vision is preferred

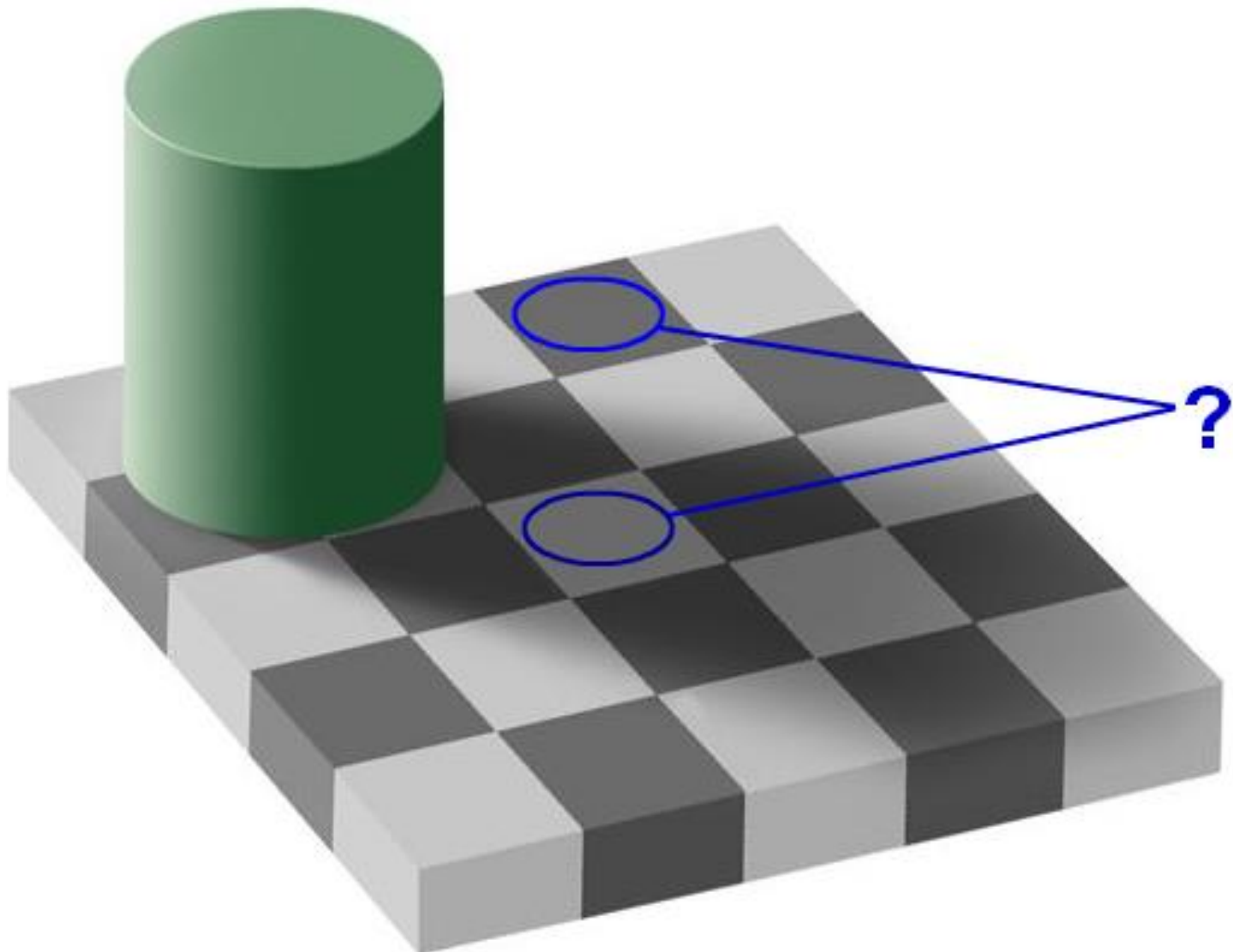


Danish Physicist - Tor Nørretranders

Visual Illusions



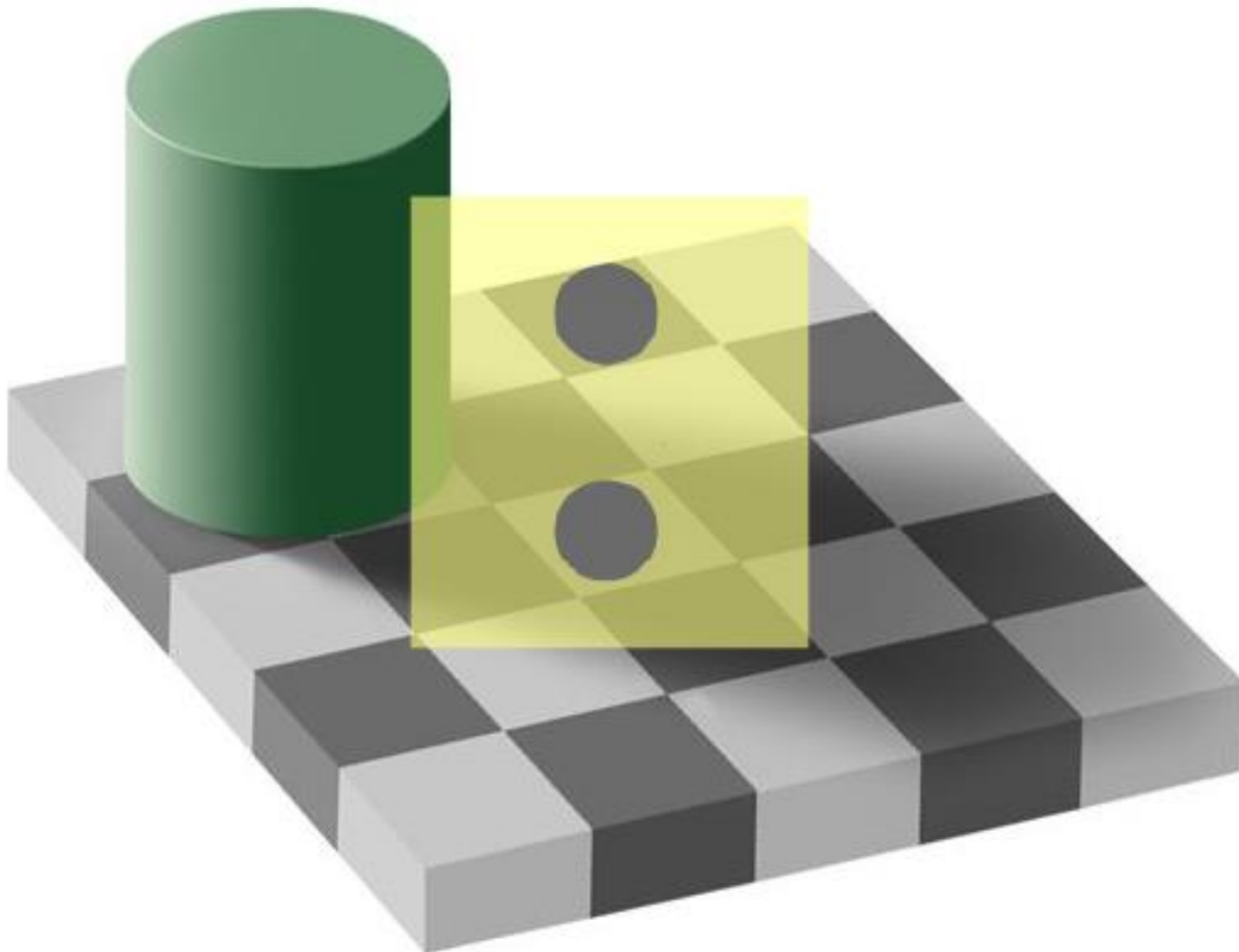
Adelson's "Checker-shadow illusion"

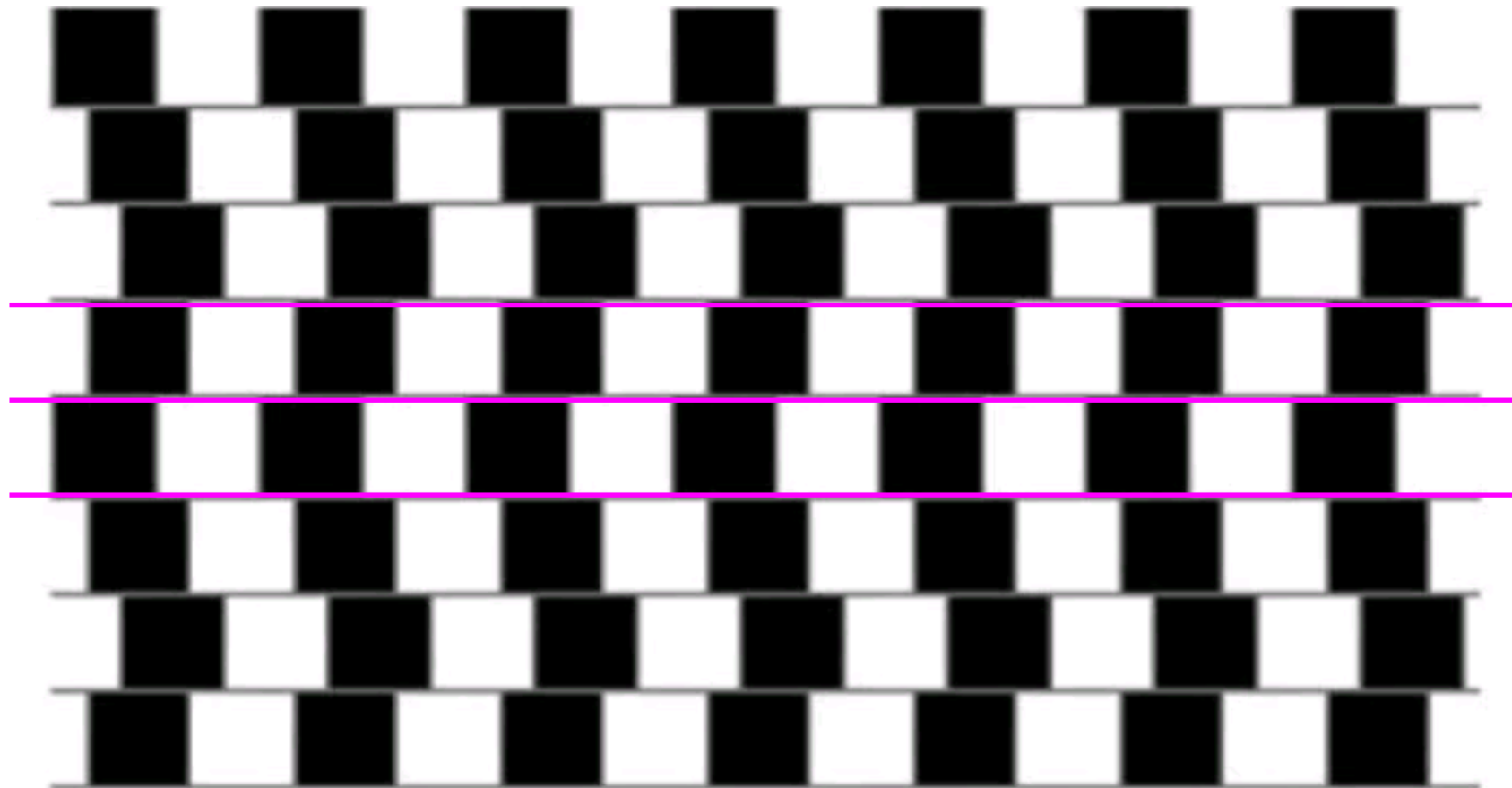


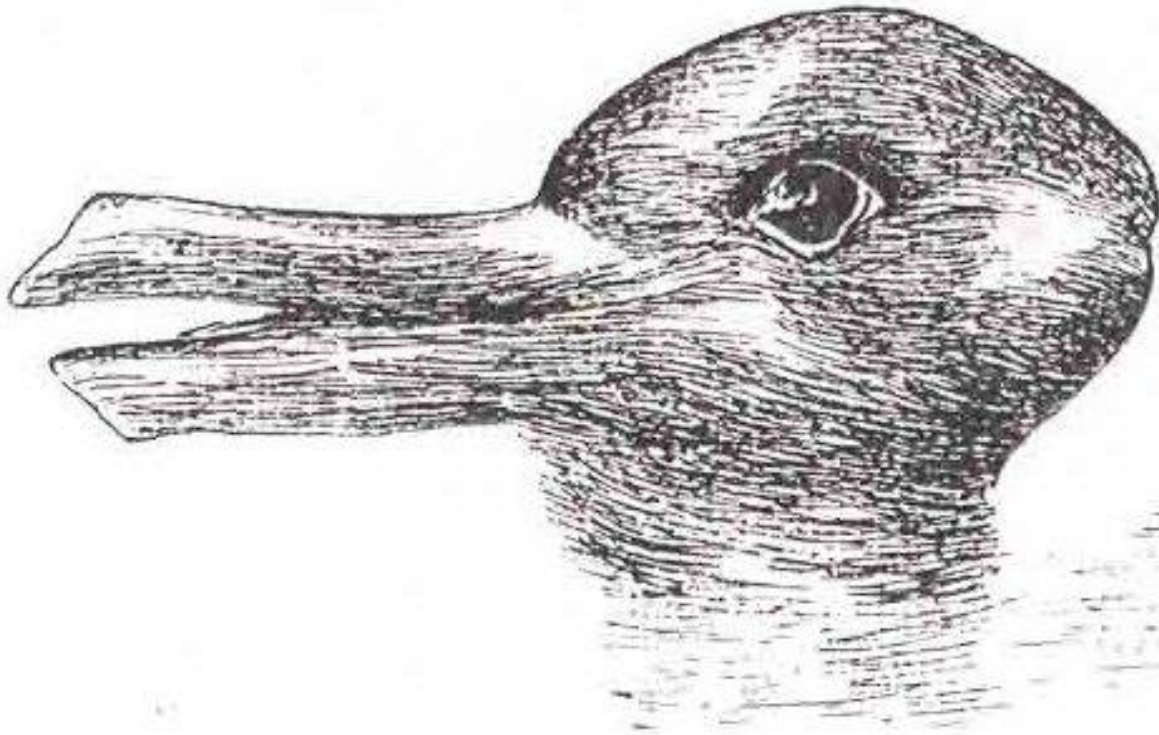
Visual Illusions



Adelson's "Checker-shadow illusion"







'Gestalt switch' between seeing the image as a duck and a rabbit.



- Process that matches information from a stimulus with information retrieved from memory
 - very powerful process
 - subconscious
 - does not use only current data
 - solves ambiguities



According to a research study at Cambridge University, it doesn't matter in what order the letters in a word are, the only important thing is that the first and last letter be in the right place. The rest can be a total mess and you can still read it without problem. This is because the human mind does not read every letter by itself, but the word as a whole.

<http://www.positscience.com/games-teasers>

Why it is hard : Human Vision



Viewpoint variation



Illumination



Scale

Why it is hard : Human Vision



Intra-class variation



Motion (Source: S. Lazebnik)



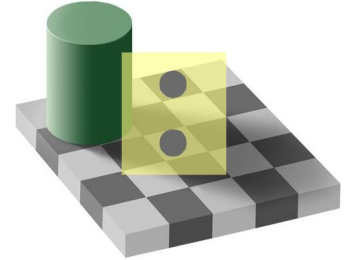
Background clutter



Occlusion



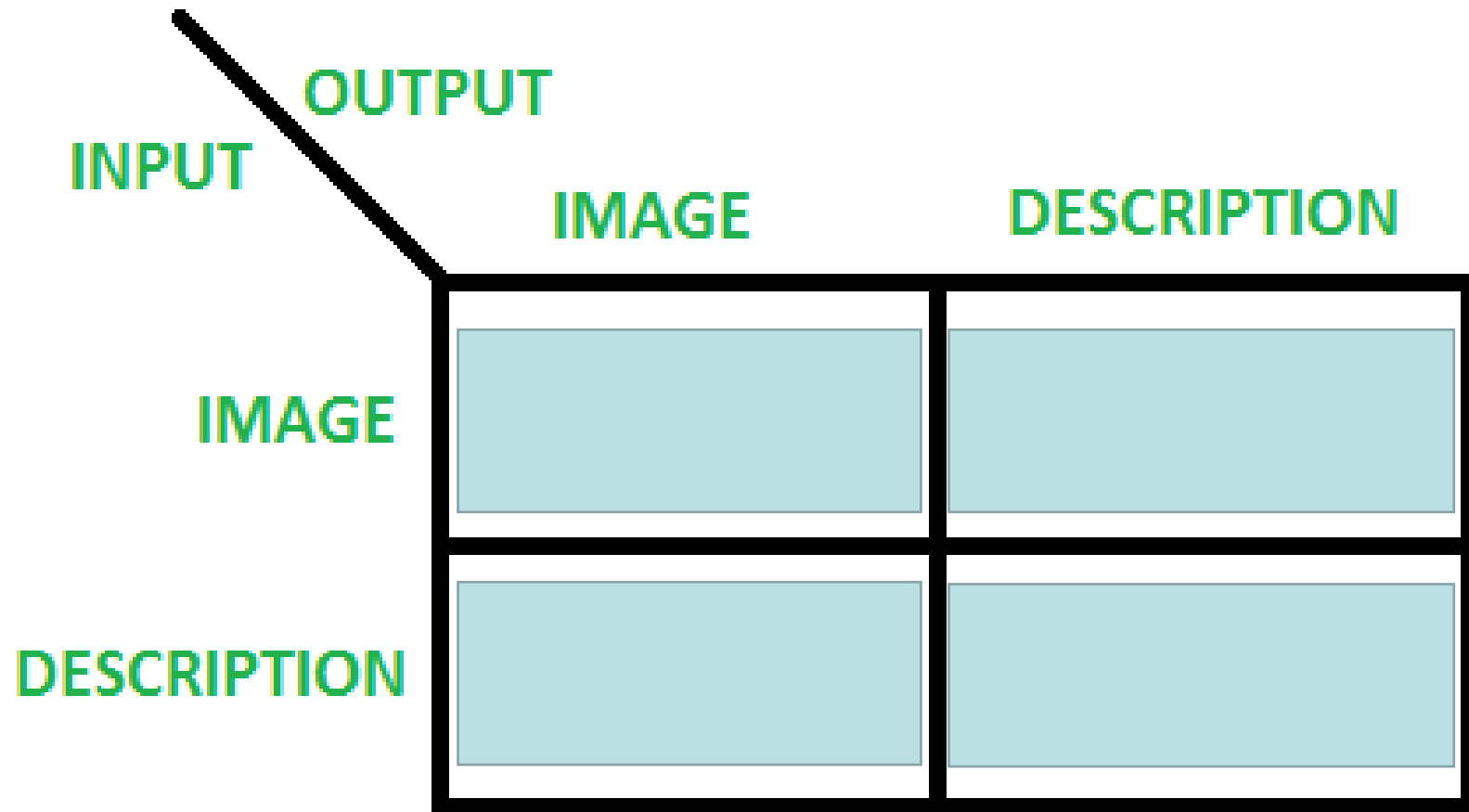
- In the illusion, pixels have the same values



- Seeing is not just measuring images properties
- Seeing is to build some understanding of the world based on the measurement of an image sensor



- Difference between CV and IP are the goals (not the methods).
 - if the goal is, for example, to enhance an image for later use, then this may be called image processing.
 - If the goal is to emulate human vision, like object recognition, defect detection or automatic driving, then it may be called computer vision.





- Image acquisition and representation
 - digital cameras, digital images, colour spaces, . . .
- Low-level image processing
 - neighbours, filtering, histograms, contours, morphological operators . . .
- Digital camera calibration
 - intrinsic and extrinsic parameters, colour calibration, . . .
- Stereo image processing
 - camera calibration, 3D reconstruction, . . .
- 3D imaging
 - 3D cameras, point clouds, . . .
- Video processing
 - tracking, optical flow, . . .
- High-level image processing (little)
 - template matching, pattern recognition, descriptors, deep learning, . . .



- Low-level image processing (4)
- 3D Vision (4)
- High-level image processing (2)
- Project development and evaluation (3)

Course Timeline – proposal



#	Date	Topic
1		Introduction to the course
		OpenCV Install
2		Cameras, Images and colour spaces
		Lab 1
3		Low Level Image Processing – Pixel processing, Histograms, Image smoothing
		Lab 2
4		Low Level Image Processing – Segmentation, Morphology
		Lab 3
5		Edges detection & Corner detection
		Lab 4
6		Camera Calibration
		Lab 5
7		Stereo Vision
		Lab 6



#	Date	Topic
8		3D Vision
		Lab 7
9		Project presentation
		Lab 7
10		Video Processing and Object detection
		Project support
11		exam?
		Project mid-term presentation
12		Template Matching / Classification ?
		Project support
13		Deep Learning?
		Project support
14		Project Presentation



- Expository lectures
- Laboratory work
 - Use of digital cameras
 - OpenCV - open source based C/C++/Python Computer Vision library (<http://opencv.org/>)
- Homework
- Project



- Final exam – 40%
- Practical Component – 60%
 - In class Tutorials – 20 %
 - Final project 40%
 - 15 % mid term evaluation
 - 25 % final deliverable with presentation)



- The platform `code.ua.pt` will be used as repository of the software developed, as well as all the files that the groups need or produce.
- Each group should create a project for the course `vc2122-nmec1-nmec2` and subversion or git can be used as repository of the source code developed during the classes and for the final project.



- The latex or docx template or of the IEEE journal should be used to produce your pdf reports (available in the course website and web).
- **Academic dishonesty** cannot be condoned. Academic dishonesty, as a general rule, involves one of the following acts:
 - Cheating on an examination or quiz.
 - Substituting for another person during an examination or allowing such substitution for one's self.
 - Plagiarism. This is the act of appropriating passages from the work of another individual, either word for word or in substance, and representing them as one's own work. This includes any submission of written work other than one's own.
 - Collusion with another person in the preparation or editing of assignments submitted for credit, unless such collaboration has been approved in advance by the instructor.



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OpenCV Install





- Installation

Follow the steps to perform Python and OpenCV installation for python

<https://www.python.org/downloads/>

<https://pypi.org/project/opencv-python/>

- Documentation

<http://docs.opencv.org>

- Test

Run and test the file Aula_01_ex 01.py with the lena.jpg image

Analyze the code and the OpenCV functions that are used.

Note how an image is read from file and displayed.