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CSE/EE 486: Computer Vision I Fall 2007 Course Overview

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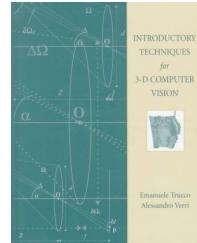
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Credits: 3

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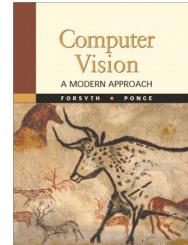
Textbook

required



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

optional



Computer Vision: A Modern Approach
by D. Forsyth and J. Ponce, Prentice Hall, 2002.

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Fall 2007 Syllabus (excerpts)

Grading:

- Homework Assignments (6): 30%
- Project Assignments (3): 30%
- In-class Midterm Exams (2): 20%
- Final Exam (Comprehensive): 20%

Individual exams and assignments are not scaled or curved. However, I typically scale the overall numeric course scores (computed from everything) before assigning a letter grade at the end of the course.

See full syllabus posted on Angel course web site

<https://cms.psu.edu/>

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Programming Groups

excerpts from syllabus

Projects are team efforts, performed in groups of three people. **The deadline to form these groups is Sep 10.** Students not belonging to a group will be assigned one by alphabetical order. From past experience, things seem to work out better when you form your own group, rather than being assigned to one, even if it means you have to take the initiative to introduce yourself to someone you don't know (yikes!). For some reason, working in assigned groups for the projects seems to be a considerable source of angst each semester. Please heed my call, and make a serious effort to put your own teams together.



Each group submits code, a written report, and a short description of what each member of the group contributed to the project. Typically, all members of the team receive the same grade for the submission, but a member who clearly is not contributing will receive a lower grade.

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CSE/EE 486 Fall 2007 Course Calendar [tentative]

SEPTEMBER 2007						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
X		intensity surfaces	linear operators			
				[H1]		
10	[P1]	smoothing	shading	[H1]		
11		template matching	intro to stereo	[H2]		
12			stereo alg 1	[H2]		
13			stereo alg 2	[H2]		
14			pyramids			
15			pyramids	[H1]		
16			pyramids	[H1]		
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OCTOBER 2007						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		homographies	[H13]			
		transformations 1				
8		transformations 2				
9			RANSAC	[P2]		
10			homographies 1	[H3]		
11			homographies 2			
12			maxima			
13			minima			
14			scale/descale			
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24			ELF matrices	[P2]		
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NOVEMBER 2007						
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		matrices 2	[M2]			
5		camera motion	[H5]			
6		flow estimate 1				
7		flow estimate 2				
8		flow estimate 2				
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16		color&light	[H6]			
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DECEMBER 2007						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		tracking LK	[P3]			
		tracking MS				
1		ObjRec PCA				
2		texture synth				
3		review				
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5		review				
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<http://www.mybuchi.com/printablecalendar.htm>

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Lecture 1: Introduction to Computer Vision

Readings T&V: Section 1, Section 2.1-2.2

What is Vision?

"Vision is the act of knowing what is where by looking." —Aristotle

Special emphasis: relationship between 3D world and a 2D image. Location and identity of objects.

What is Computer Vision?

It is related to, but not equivalent to:

- Photogrammetry
- Image Processing
- Artificial Intelligence

Why study Computer Vision?

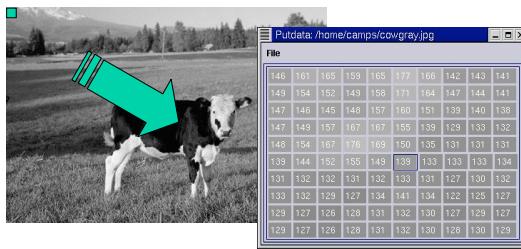
- Images and movies are everywhere
- Fast-growing collection of useful applications
 - building representations of the 3D world from pictures
 - automated surveillance (who's doing what)
 - movie post-processing
 - face finding
- Various deep and attractive scientific mysteries
 - how does object recognition work?
- Greater understanding of human vision

Course Goals and Objectives

- Introduce the fundamental problems of computer vision.
- Introduce the main concepts and techniques used to solve those problems.
- Enable students to implement vision algorithms
- Enable students to make sense of the vision literature

Input: Digital Images

2D arrays (matrices) of numbers:



If color image, we have 3 arrays - red, green, blue

Why is Computer Vision Hard?

We are trying to infer things about the world from an array of numbers

A screenshot of a terminal window titled "Putdata: /home/camps/cowgray.jpg". The window shows a grayscale image of a cow. To the right of the image is a 14x14 grid of numerical values representing the pixel data. A large green arrow points to the value "154" in the second row, third column of the grid.

146	161	165	159	165	177	166	142	143	141
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129	127	126	128	131	132	130	127	129	127
129	127	126	128	131	132	130	128	130	129

Shoulder
of a cow...

problems: too local; lack of context;
mismatch between levels of abstraction.
But wait, it's even worse than that...

Why is Computer Vision Hard?

If we already know the geometry, surface material and lighting conditions, it is well-understood how to generate the value at each pixel. [this is Computer Graphics]

But this confluence of factors contributing to each pixel can not be easily decomposed. The process can not be inverted.

tell me
what you
see...



Congratulations! You just did something mathematically impossible.

How?

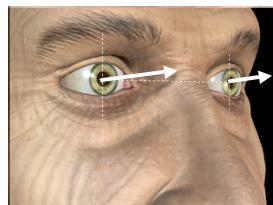
You used assumptions based on prior knowledge / experience about the way the world works.

Recovering 3D from a single image is a mathematically ill-posed problem.



So we can't solve the problem using only math. 😊

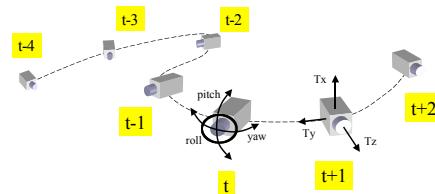
Good news: with more than one camera, we can recover 3D!



Example: Stereo Vision

Structure from Motion

We can also infer 3D from only one camera, provided we move it around “enough”.



Structure from Motion

So how much is “enough” motion? It depends.

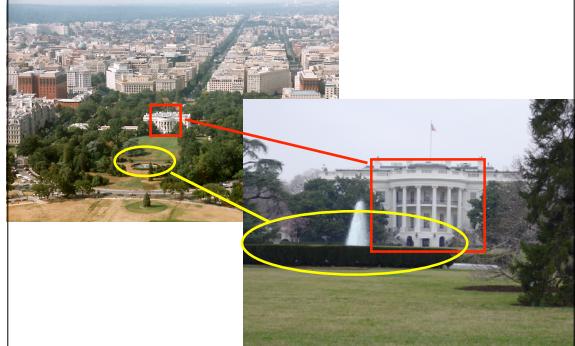


www.grand-illusions.com

(play movie in external player)

More Difficulties

Object appearance changes with respect to viewpoint



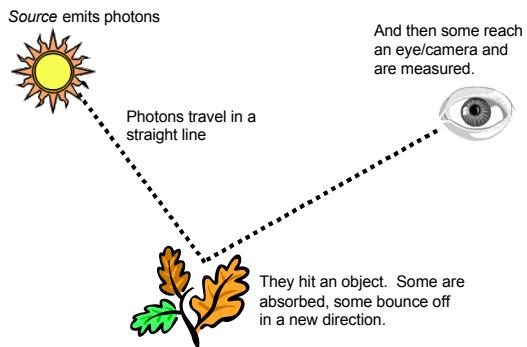
Effects of Lighting



Object appearance also varies with respect to lighting magnitude and direction

1 Light
2 Light
3 Light

Photometry Overview

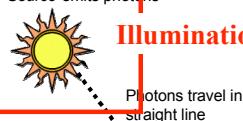


Source emits photons
And then some reach an eye/camera and are measured.

They hit an object. Some are absorbed, some bounce off in a new direction.

Light Transport

Illumination



Source emits photons
Photons travel in a straight line

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Light Transport

Surface Reflection

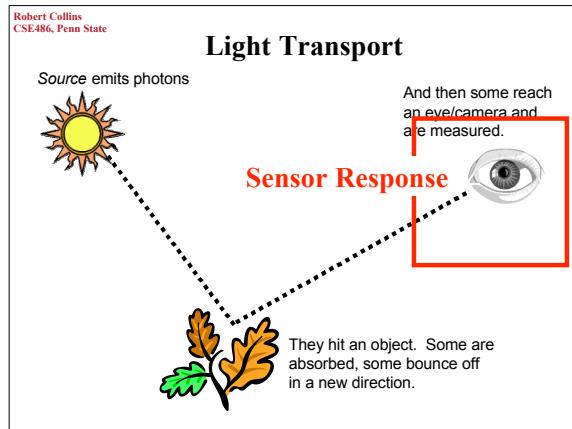


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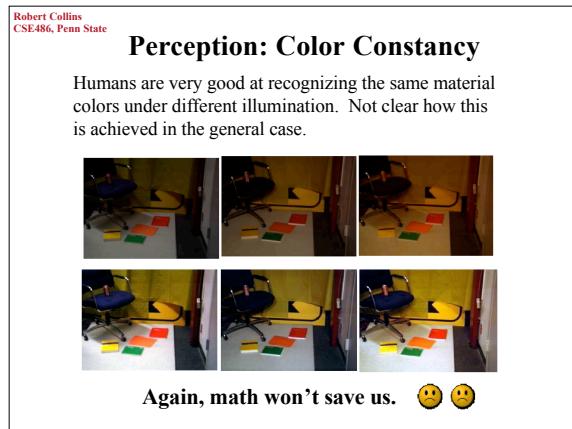
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What do we mean by “red”

Color percepts are a composition of three factors (illumination, surface reflectance, sensor response)

We can't easily factor the color we see in the image to infer illumination and material (even if sensor properties are fixed and known).

Again, this is counterintuitive to human experience.



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Some things to think about:

- “red” typically means “appears red to a human observer under white light”.
- white objects appear red under a red light.
- nothing looks red if you are red/green color blind.



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What we will be studying in this course...

with a few examples of why.

Filtering and Smoothing



Linear operators
Convolution
Smoothing

Feature Extraction

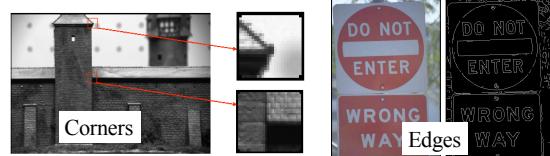


Image derivatives
Gradient operators
DoG/LoG operators
Harris corner detector

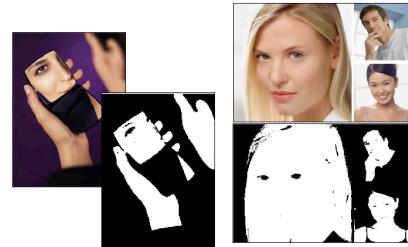
Why?
Seek more unique descriptors (than pixels) for matching

Color and Light



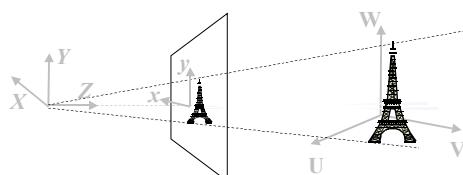
Radiance / Reflection
Illumination / Shading
Chromaticity
Color Constancy

Application : Skin Detection



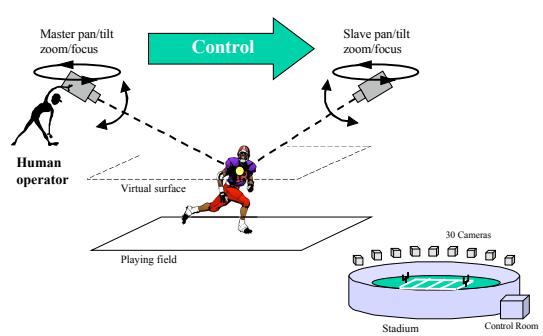
Skin detection has been used for web filtering based on identifying adult content

Camera Projection Models



Projection Models
Intrinsic (lens) Parameters
Extrinsic (pose) Parameters
Camera Calibration

Application: Eyevision System CAMERA CALIBRATION!



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Eyevision : SuperBowl XXXV

January 28, 2001



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EyeVision Examples



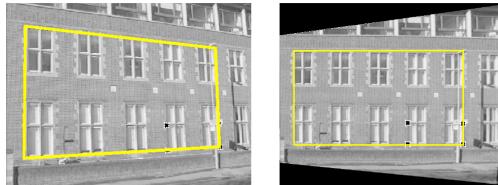
Super Bowl XXXV

January 28, 2001

Courtesy of CBS Sports

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Plane to Plane Mappings



Rigid, Similarity, Affine, & Projective Mappings
Homography Estimation
Image Warping

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Mosaicing and Stabilization



Camera Rotation Homography
Mosaicing
Video Stabilization

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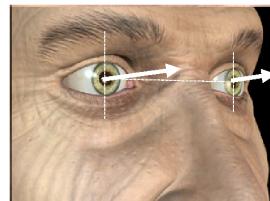
Example : Quicktime VR



<http://www.panoguide.com/gallery/>

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Stereo Vision



Stereo Camera Setups
Stereo Disparity / Parallax
Epipolar Geometry
Correspondence Matching
Triangulation / Depth Recovery

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Camera Motion

Motion Field vs Optic Flow
Flow Estimation
Egomotion Estimation
Structure from Motion

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Application: Match Move

Track a set of feature points through a movie sequence

Deduce where the cameras are and the 3D locations of the points that were tracked

Render synthetic objects with respect to the deduced 3D geometry of the scene / cameras

"Graham Kimpton" example from www.reallviz.com
MatchMover Professional gallery. Copyrighted.

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Application: Autonomous Driving

Have your vehicle chauffeur you around.

Stanley, winner 2005 Darpa Grand Challenge

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Video Change Detection

Video Sequences
Background Modeling
Change Detection

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Application: Video Surveillance

Automatic detection, classification and tracking of moving people and vehicles
Object locations are determined with respect to a 3D campus model
A single operator can monitor results from many sensors spread over a large area

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Automated Surveillance

Trigger regions for detecting motion and detecting motion going in the wrong direction. These are pretty well "solved" problems.

No traffic allowed in direction of terminal
Guardian Systems

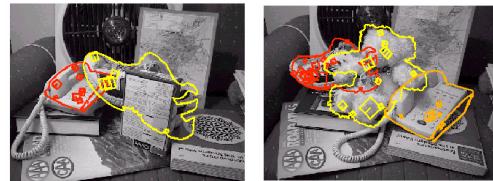
No vehicle traffic when plane is docked

Video Tracking



Appearance-Based Tracking
Sample Tracking Algorithms
(e.g. Mean-Shift, Lucas-Kanade)

Object Recognition



Approaches: PCA; Sift Keys; boosted cascade of detectors

Application: Face/Eye Detection

Henry Schneiderman



Finding users to interact with.
Red-eye removal from photos.
Drowsy-driver detection.

Reminder...

“Vision is the act of knowing what is where by looking.” --Aristotle