

Image and Video Processing

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Module no.	Topic	No. of hours
1.	Fundamentals of Image Processing: Introduction, Image sampling, Quantization, Resolution, Image file formats, Elements of image processing system, Applications of Digital image processing.	3
2.	Image Enhancement: Spatial domain methods: Histogram processing, Fundamentals of Spatial filtering, Smoothing spatial filters, Sharpening spatial filters. Frequency domain methods: Basics of filtering in frequency domain, image smoothing, image sharpening, Selective filtering.	6
3.	Image Restoration: Introduction to Image restoration, Image degradation, Types of image blur, Classification of image restoration techniques, Image restoration model, Linear and Nonlinear image restoration techniques.	5
4.	Image Segmentation: Introduction to image segmentation, Point, Line and Edge Detection, Region based segmentation., Classification of segmentation techniques, Region approach to image segmentation, clustering techniques, Image segmentation based on thresholding, Edge based segmentation	6
5.	Image Compression: Introduction, Need for image compression, Redundancy in images, Classification of redundancy in images, image compression scheme, Classification of image compression schemes, Image compression standard, JPEG Standards.	5
6.	Basic Steps of Video Processing: Analog Video, Digital Video. Time-Varying Image Formation models: Three-Dimensional Motion Models, Geometric Image Formation, Photometric Image Formation, Sampling of Videosignals, Filtering operations	6
7.	2-D Motion Estimation: Optical flow, General Methodologies, Pixel Based Motion Estimation, Block Matching Algorithm, Mesh based Motion Estimation, Global Motion Estimation, Region based Motion Estimation.	6
8.	Visual scene analysis: Basics of background modeling and foreground detection connected component labeling, shot boundary detection	5
Total Lecture hours		42

Human Perception

Humans have developed highly sophisticated skills for sensing their environment and taking actions according to what they observe, e.g.,

- Recognizing a face.
- Understanding spoken words.
- Reading handwriting.
- Distinguishing fresh food from its smell.



Machine Perception

- Build a machine that can recognize patterns:
 - Speech recognition
 - Fingerprint identification
 - OCR (Optical Character Recognition)
 - DNA sequence identification

Intelligence Mechanism

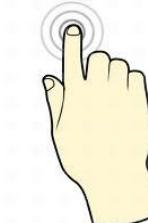
- Speech



- Vision



- Touch



- Smell



- Taste

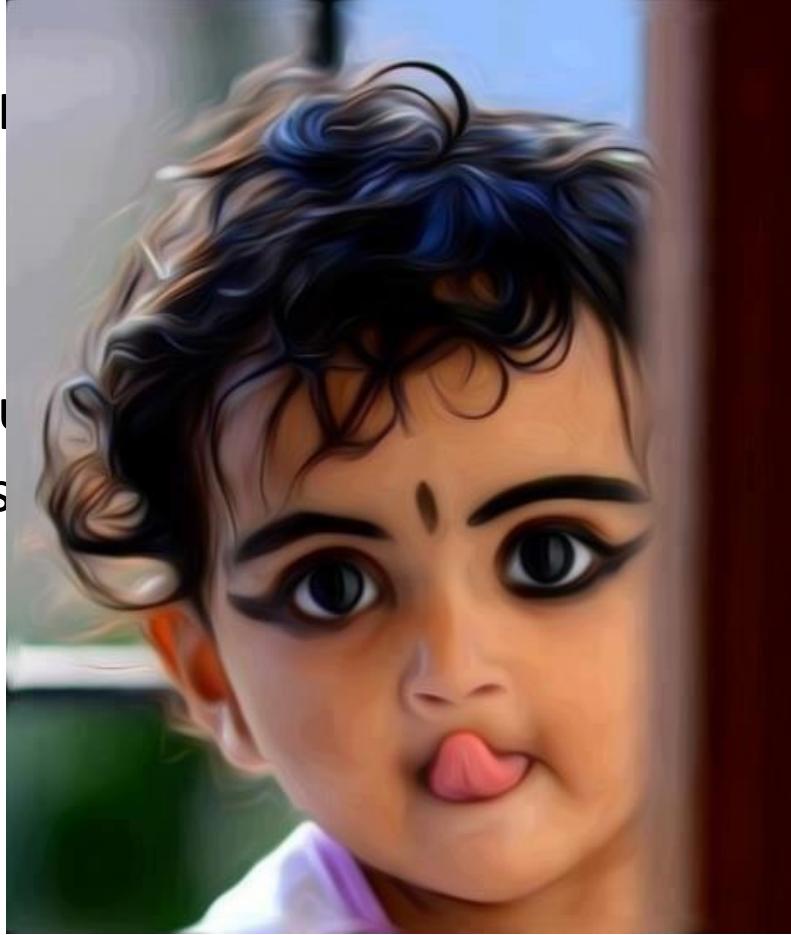


When Human Fails?

- A human can perform

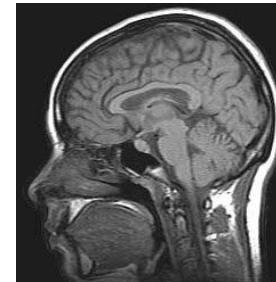
However,

- It is quite time consuming
- It may be Erroneous



What is Computer Vision?

- **Computer vision** is the science and technology of machines that see.
- Concerned with the theory for building artificial systems that obtain information from images.
- The image data can take many forms, such as a video sequence, depth images, views from multiple cameras, or multi-dimensional data from a medical scanner



Computer Vision

Make computers understand images and videos.



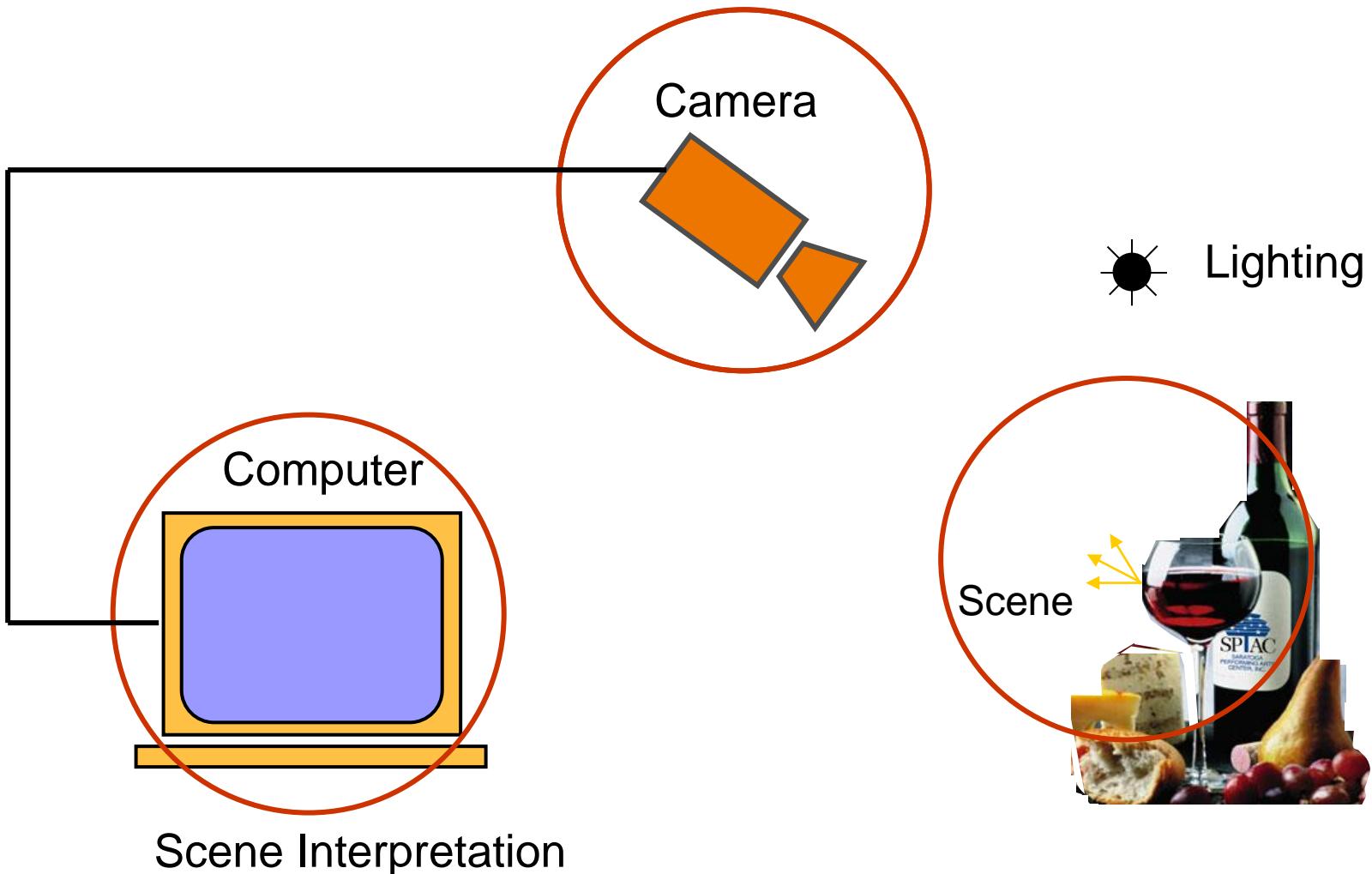
What kind of scene?

Where are the cars?

How far is the
building?

...

Components of a computer vision system



Computer vision vs human vision



What we see

0	3	2	5	4	7	6	9	8
3	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2	1	0	3	2	5	4	7	6
5	2	3	0	1	2	3	4	5
4	3	2	1	0	3	2	5	4
7	4	5	2	3	0	1	2	3
6	5	4	3	2	1	0	3	2
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8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

What a computer sees

Vision is really hard

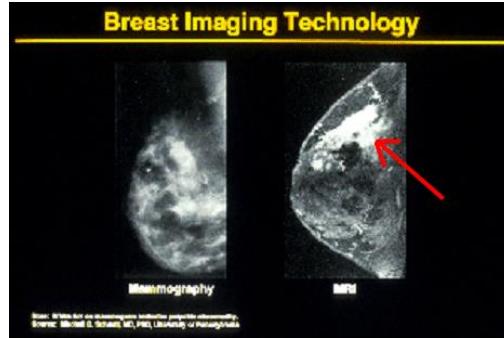
- Vision is an amazing feat of natural intelligence
 - Visual cortex occupies about 50% of a brain
 - More human brain devoted to vision than anything else



Why computer vision matters



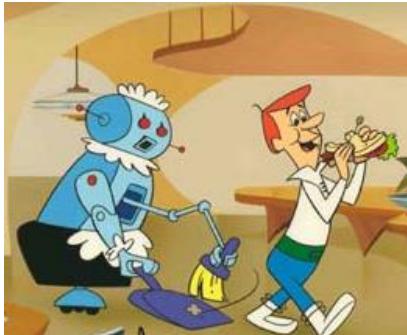
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Health



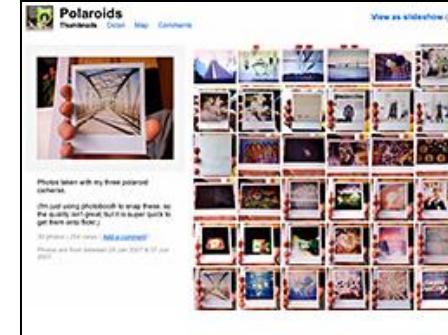
Security



Comfort



Fun

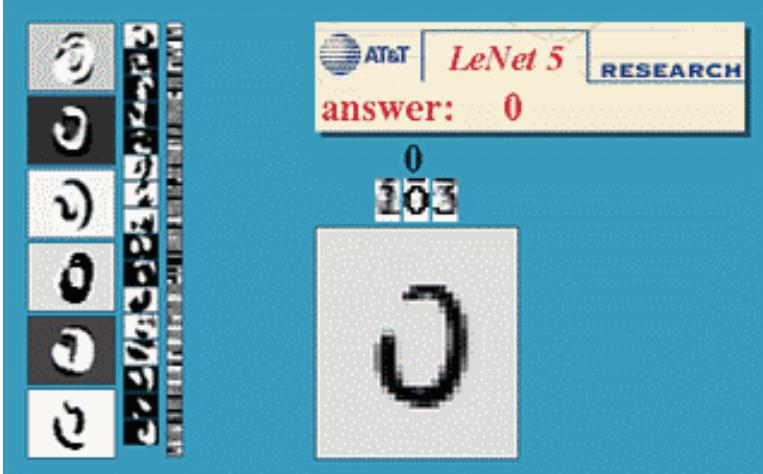


Access

Optical character recognition (OCR)

Technology to convert scanned docs to text

- If you have a scanner, it probably came with OCR software



Digit recognition, AT&T labs
<http://www.research.att.com/~yann/>



License plate readers
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Automatic_number_plate_recognition

Face detection

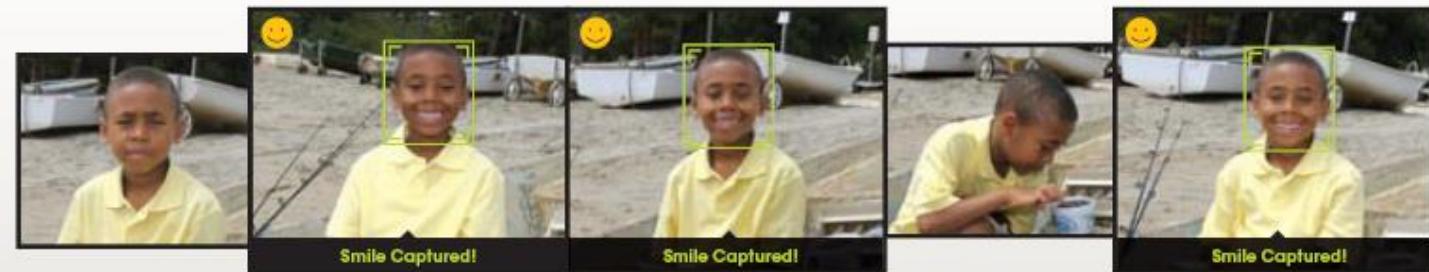


- Many new digital cameras now detect faces
 - Canon, Sony, Fuji, ...

Smile detection

The Smile Shutter flow

Imagine a camera smart enough to catch every smile! In Smile Shutter Mode, your Cyber-shot® camera can automatically trip the shutter at just the right instant to catch the perfect expression.



[Sony Cyber-shot® T70 Digital Still Camera](#)

Object recognition (in supermarkets)



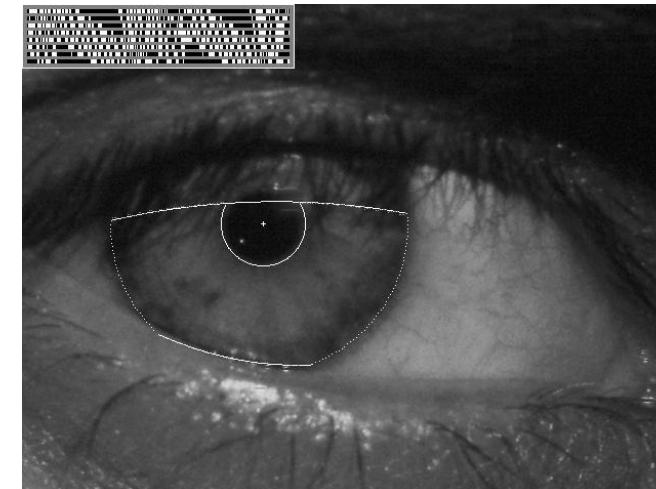
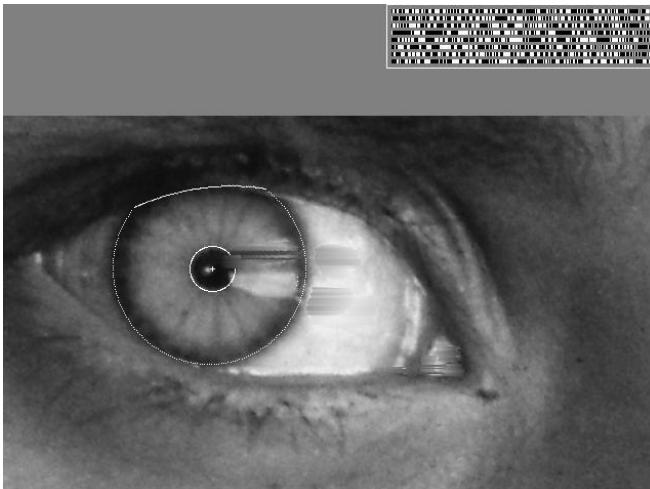
[LaneHawk by EvolutionRobotics](#)

“A smart camera is flush-mounted in the checkout lane, continuously watching for items. When an item is detected and recognized, the cashier verifies the quantity of items that were found under the basket, and continues to close the transaction. The item can remain under the basket, and with LaneHawk, you are assured to get paid for it...”

Vision-based biometrics



“How the Afghan Girl was Identified by Her Iris Patterns” Read the [story](#)
[wikipedia](#)



Login without a password...



Fingerprint scanners on
many new laptops,
other devices



Face recognition systems now
beginning to appear more widely
<http://www.sensiblevision.com/>

Object recognition (in mobile phones)



Point & Find, Nokia
Google Goggles

Special effects: shape capture



The Matrix movies, ESC Entertainment

Special effects: motion capture



Pirates of the Caribbean, Industrial Light and Magic

Sports



Sportvision first down line
Nice [explanation](#) on www.howstuffworks.com

<http://www.sportvision.com/video.html>

Smart cars

Slide content courtesy of Amnon Shashua

The screenshot shows the Mobileye website's homepage. At the top, there are navigation tabs for "manufacturer products" and "consumer products". Below this is a banner with the slogan "Our Vision. Your Safety." featuring an overhead view of a car with three cameras labeled: "rear looking camera", "forward looking camera", and "side looking camera". To the right of the banner is a "News" section with links to articles about Volvo's collision warning system and a "New Collision Warning with Auto Brake Helps Prevent Rear-end" article. Below the news is a photograph of a hand on a steering wheel. Further down is an "Events" section with links to "Mobileye at Equip Auto, Paris, France" and "Mobileye at SEMA, Las Vegas, NV".

News

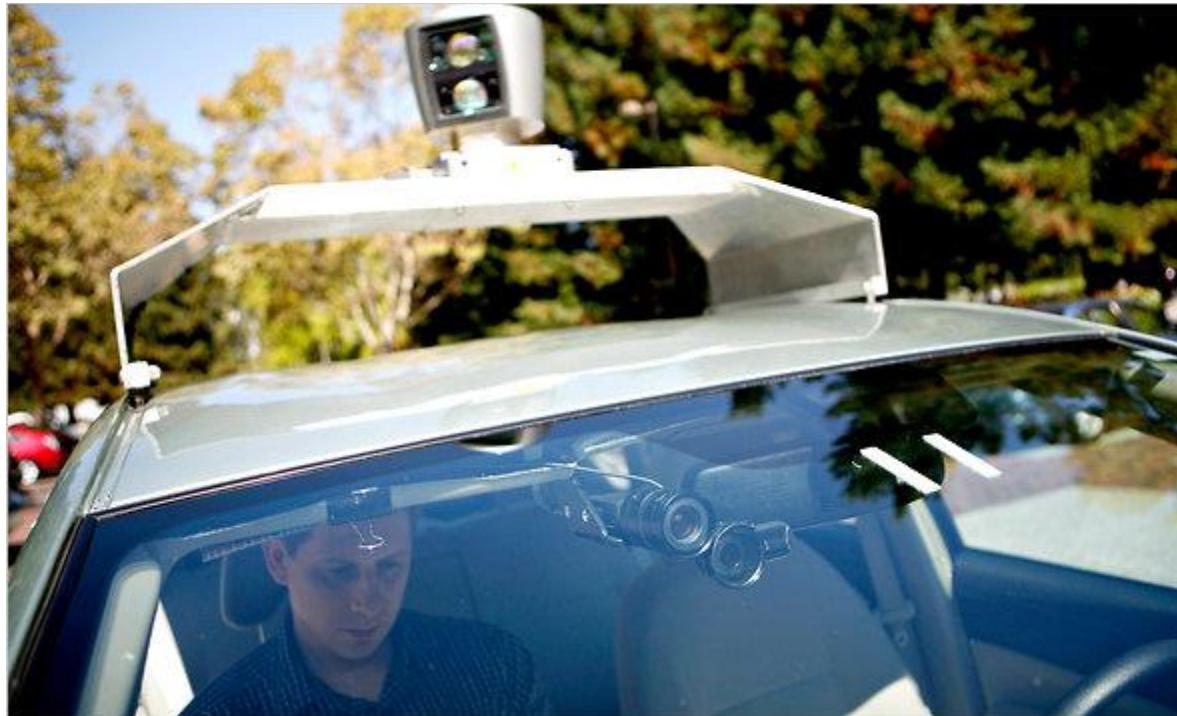
- > [Mobileye Advanced Technologies Power Volvo Cars World First Collision Warning With Auto Brake System](#)
- > [Volvo: New Collision Warning with Auto Brake Helps Prevent Rear-end](#)

Events

- > [Mobileye at Equip Auto, Paris, France](#)
- > [Mobileye at SEMA, Las Vegas, NV](#)

- [Mobileye \[wiki article\]](#)
 - Vision systems currently in high-end BMW, GM, Volvo models
 - By 2010: 70% of car manufacturers.

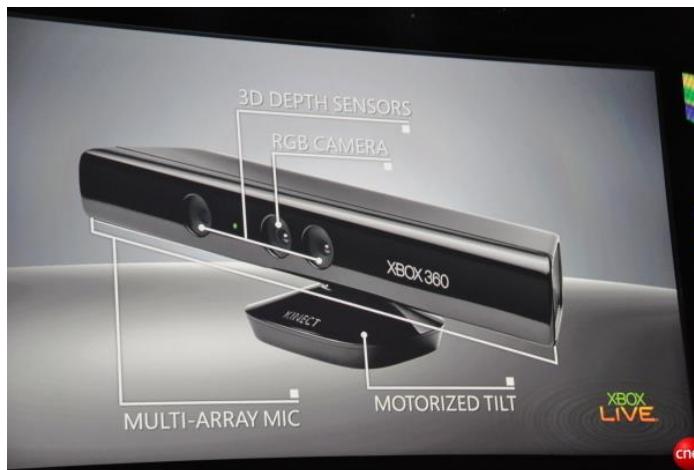
Google cars



<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/10/10/science/10google.html?ref=artificialintelligence>

Interactive Games: Kinect

- Object Recognition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=iv&v=fQ59dXOo63o>
- Mario: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8CTJL5IUjHg>
- 3D: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7QrnwoO1-8A>
- Robot: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w8BmgtMKFbY>
- 3D tracking, reconstruction, and interaction: <http://research.microsoft.com/en-us/projects/surfacerecon/default.aspx>



Vision in space



[NASA's Mars Exploration Rover Spirit](#) captured this westward view from atop a low plateau where Spirit spent the closing months of 2007.

Vision systems (JPL) used for several tasks

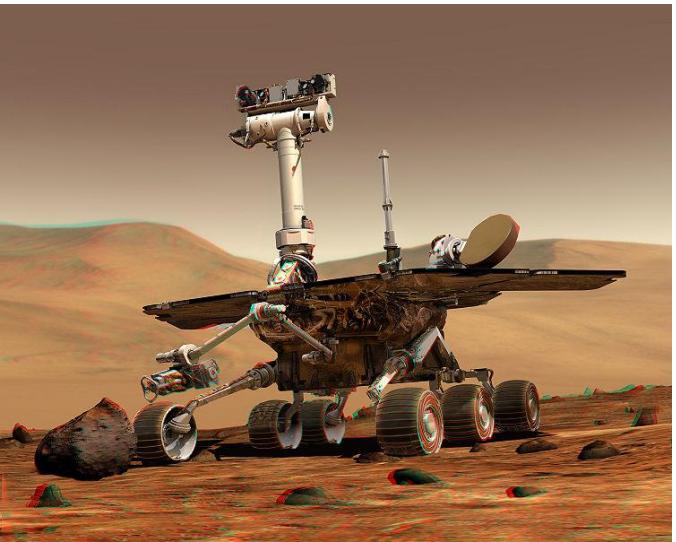
- Panorama stitching
- 3D terrain modeling
- Obstacle detection, position tracking
- For more, read “[Computer Vision on Mars](#)” by Matthies et al.

Industrial robots



Vision-guided robots position nut runners on wheels

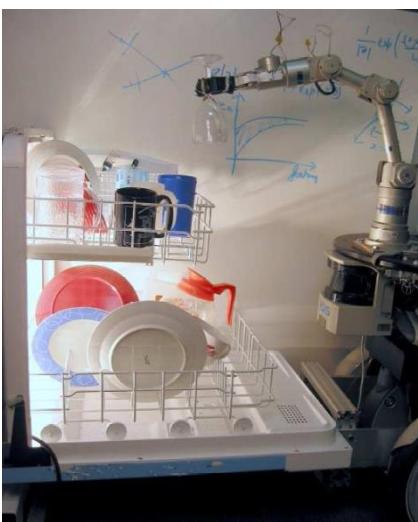
Mobile robots



NASA's Mars Spirit Rover
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spirit_rover

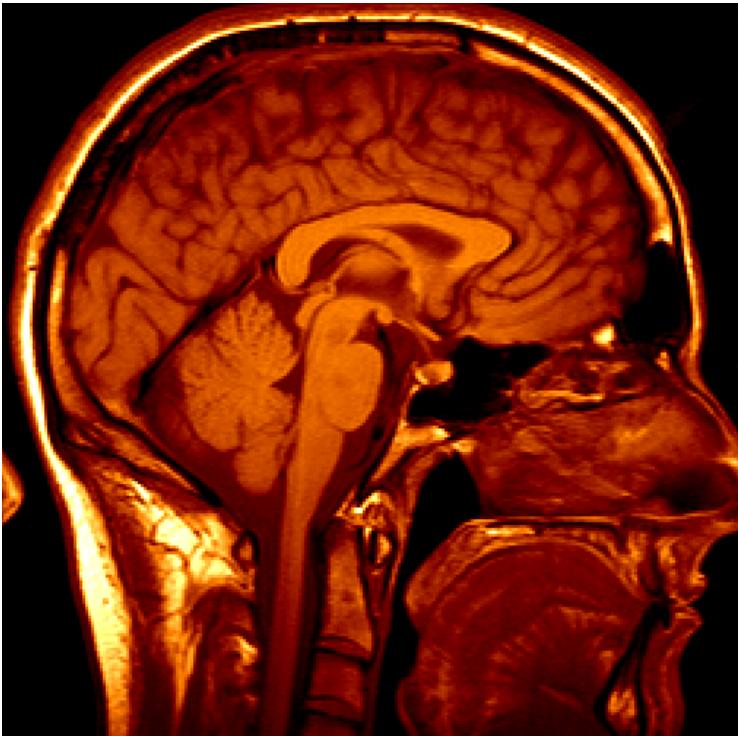


<http://www.robocup.org/>



Saxena et al. 2008
[STAIR](#) at Stanford

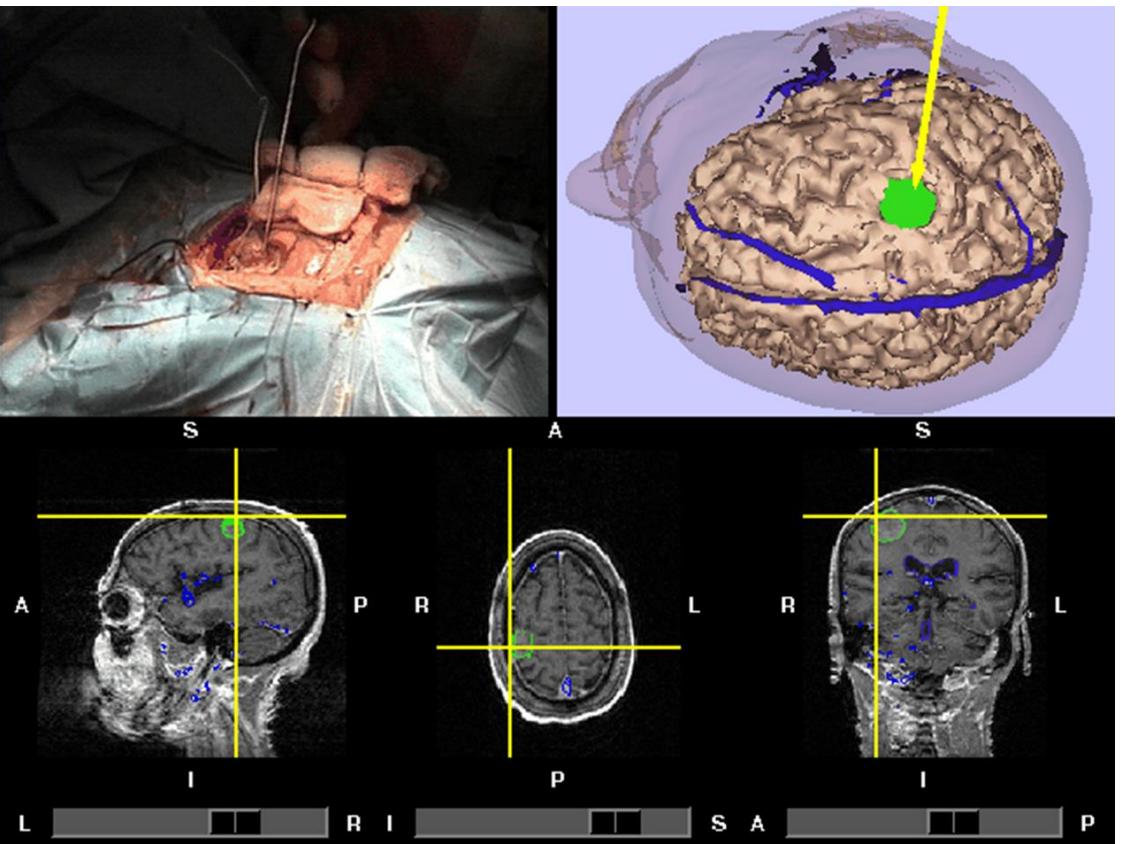
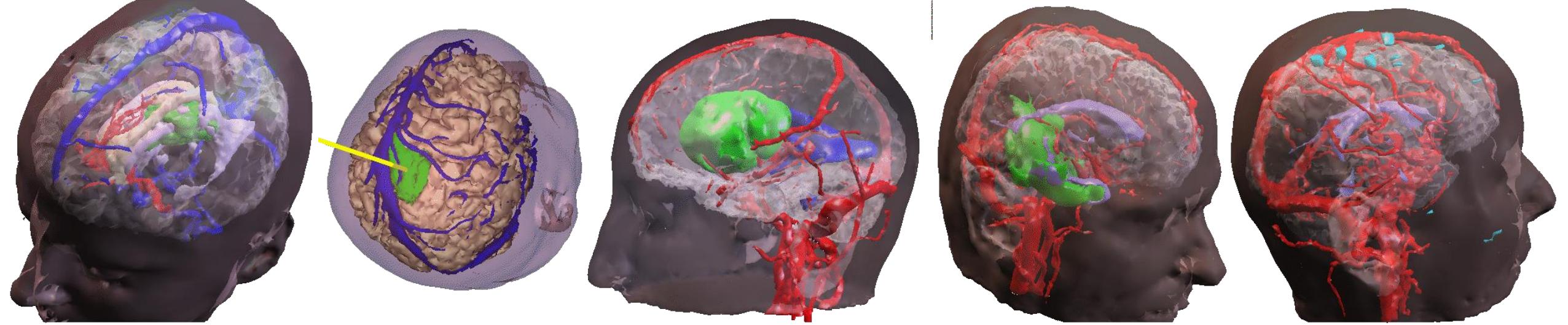
Medical imaging



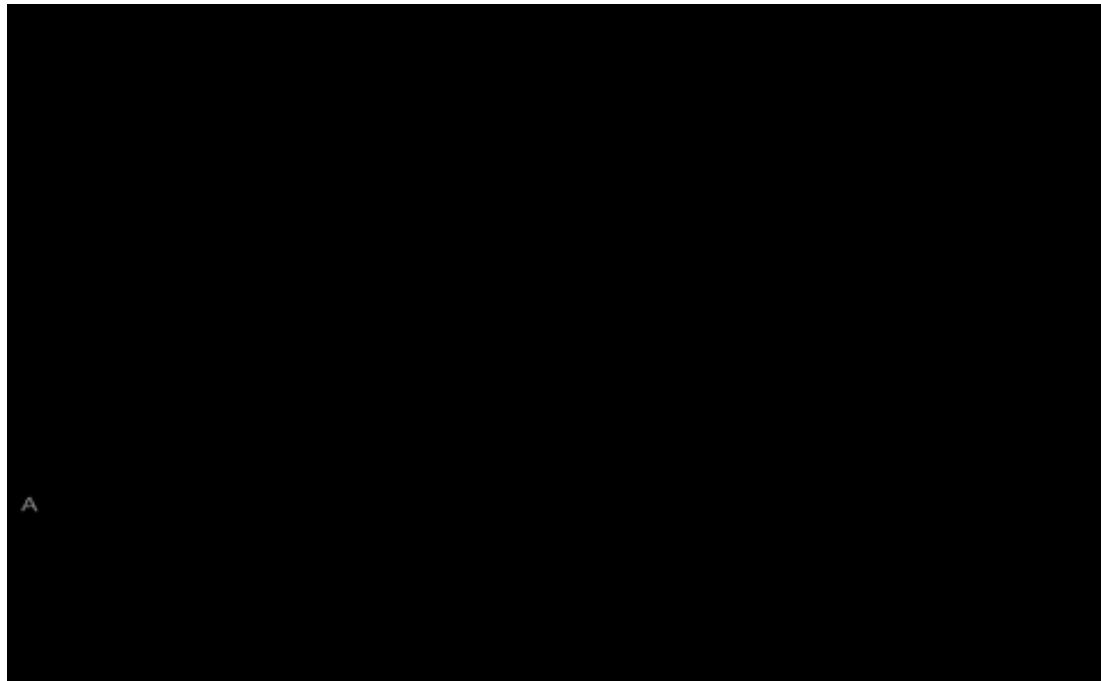
3D imaging
MRI, CT



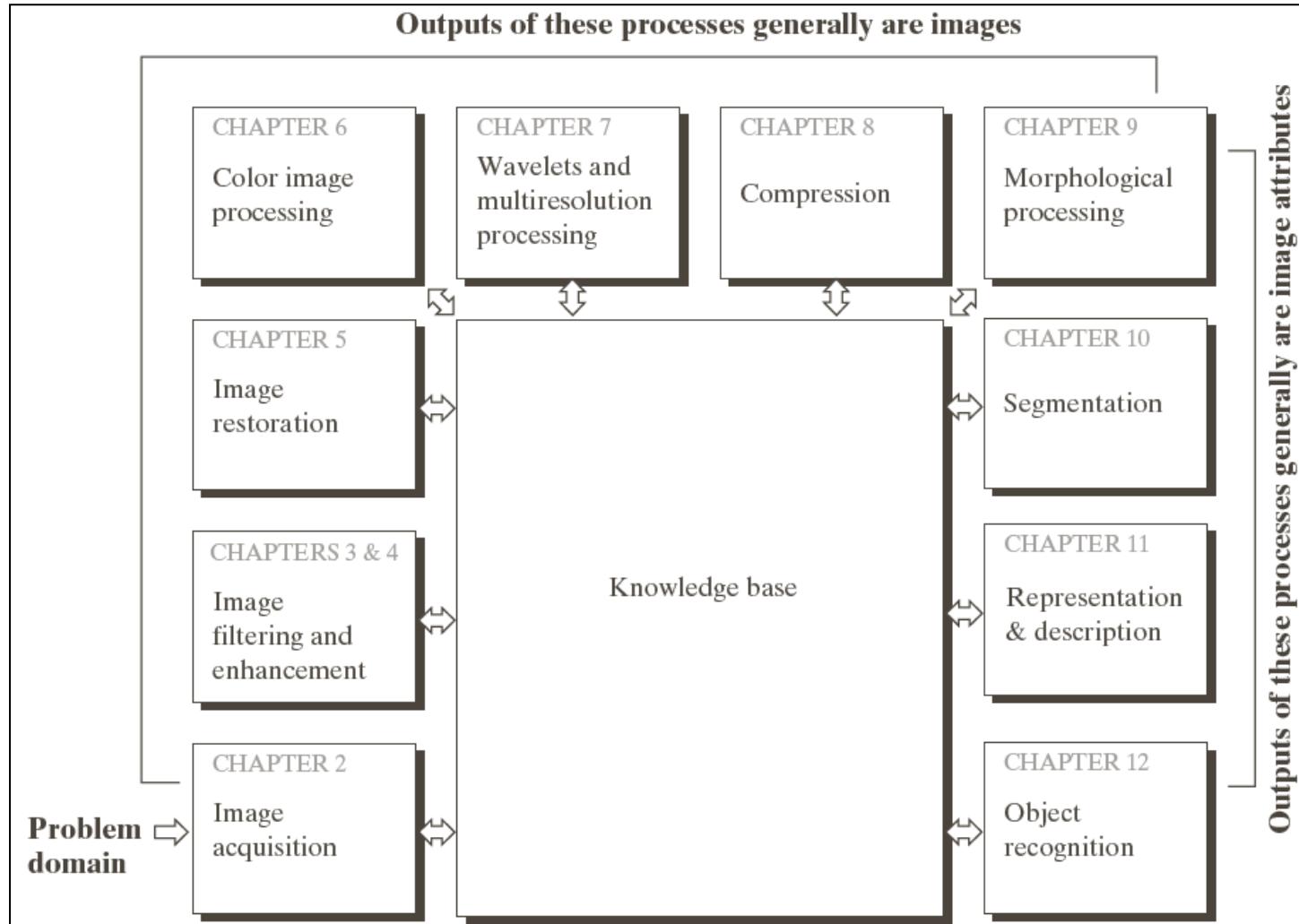
Image guided surgery
[Grimson et al., MIT](#)



Visual effects

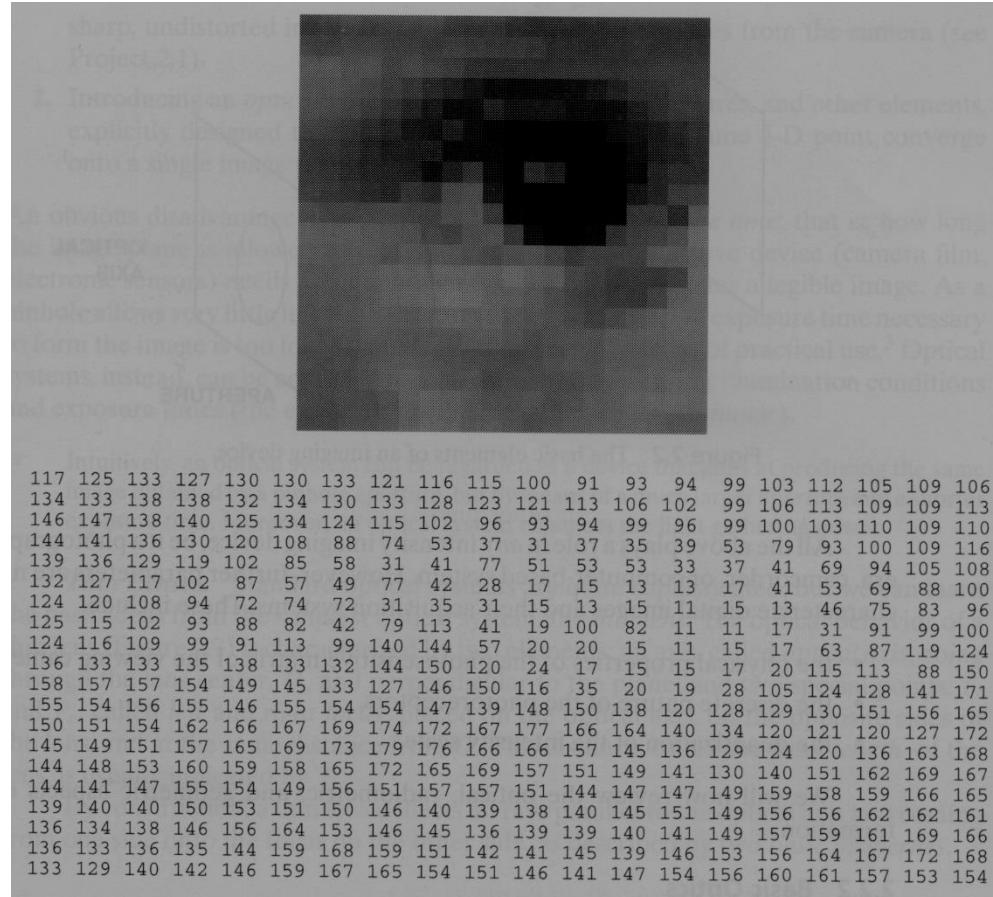


BASIC IMAGE PROCESSING BLOCKS



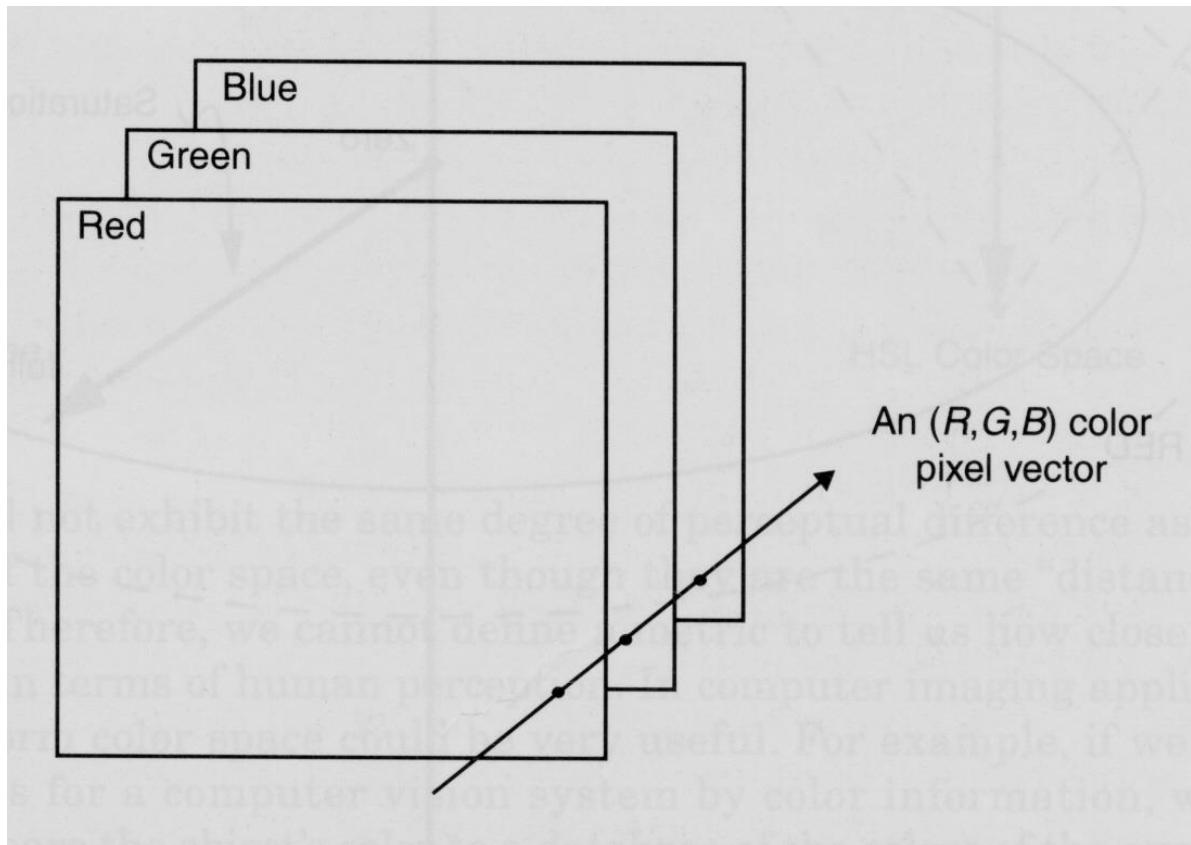
Fundamental steps in digital image processing. The chapter(s) indicated in the boxes is where the material described in the box is discussed.

How are images represented in the computer?



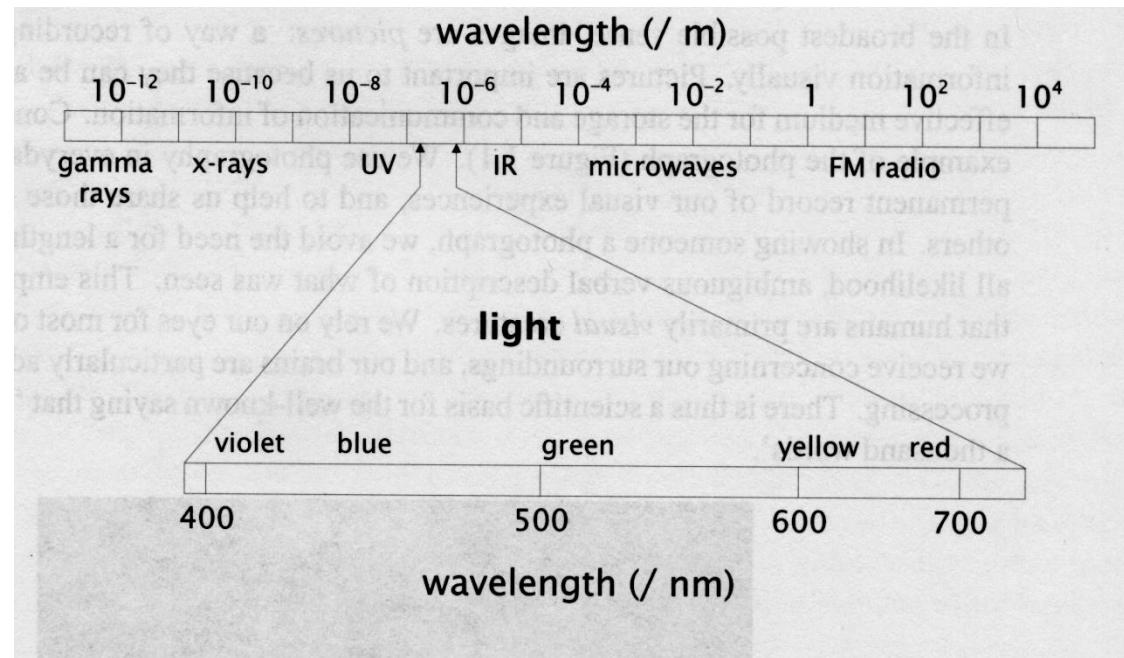
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Color images



What is light?

- The visible portion of the **electromagnetic** (EM) spectrum.
- It occurs between wavelengths of approximately 400 and 700 nanometers.



Short wavelengths

- Different wavelengths of radiation have different properties.
- The **x-ray** region of the spectrum, it carries sufficient energy to penetrate a significant volume or material.



Long wavelengths

- Copious quantities of infrared (IR) radiation are emitted from warm objects (e.g., locate people in total darkness).



Long wavelengths (cont'd)

- “**Synthetic aperture radar**” (SAR) imaging techniques use an artificially generated source of microwaves to probe a scene.
- SAR is unaffected by weather conditions and clouds (e.g., has provided us images of the surface of Venus).



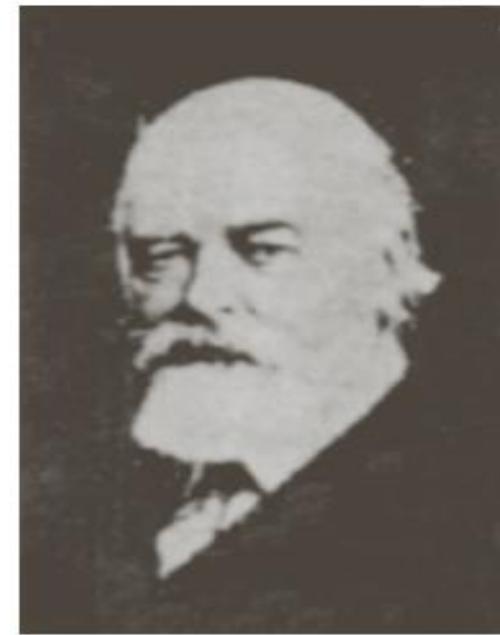
Sonic images

- Produced by the reflection of sound waves off an object.
- High sound frequencies are used to improve resolution.





A
digital picture
produced in 1921
from a coded tape
by a telegraph
printer with
special type faces.
(McFarlane.[†])



A
digital picture
made in 1922
from a tape
punched after the
signals had
crossed the
Atlantic twice.
(McFarlane.)



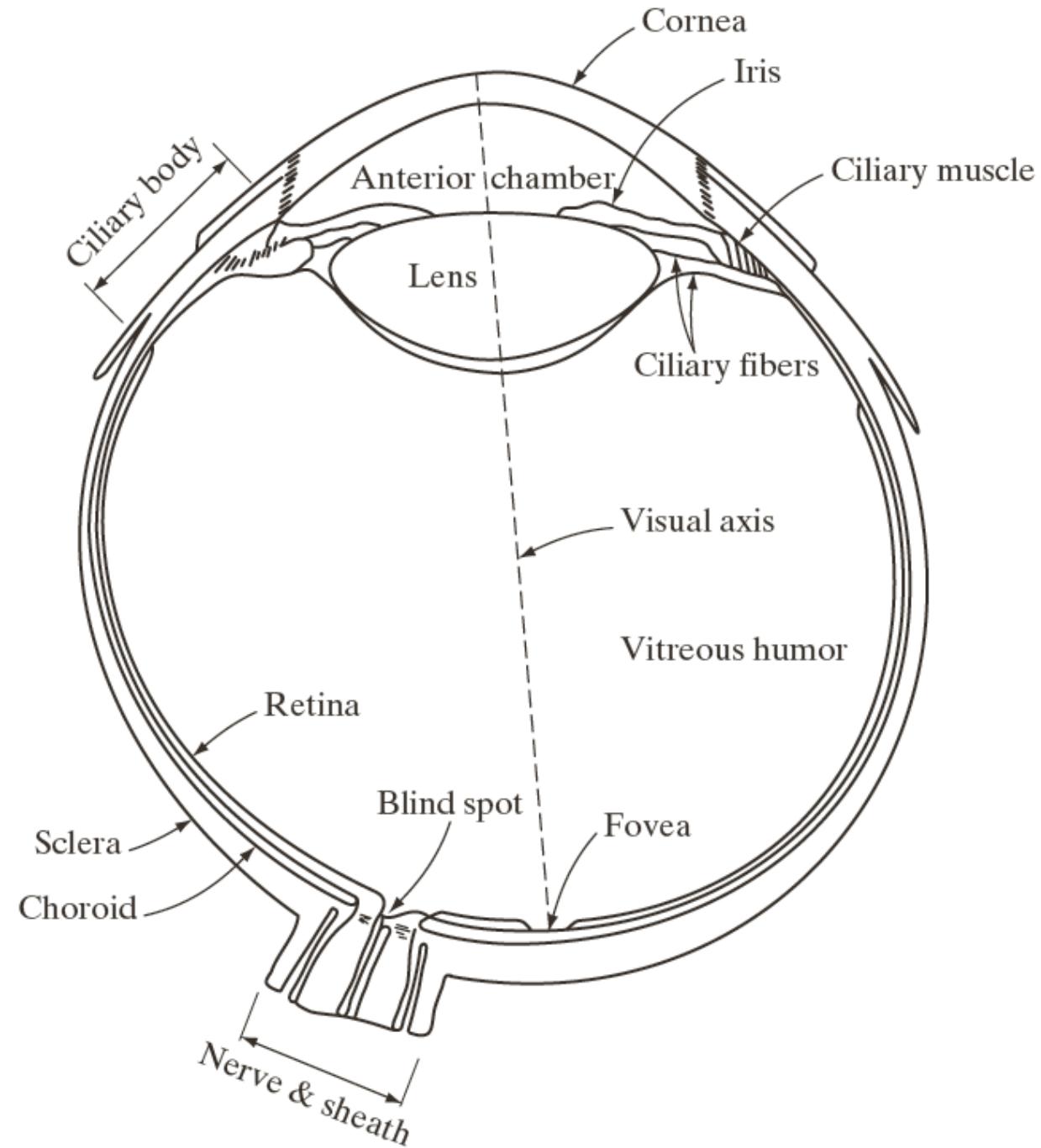
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York by 15-tone
equipment.
(McFarlane.)

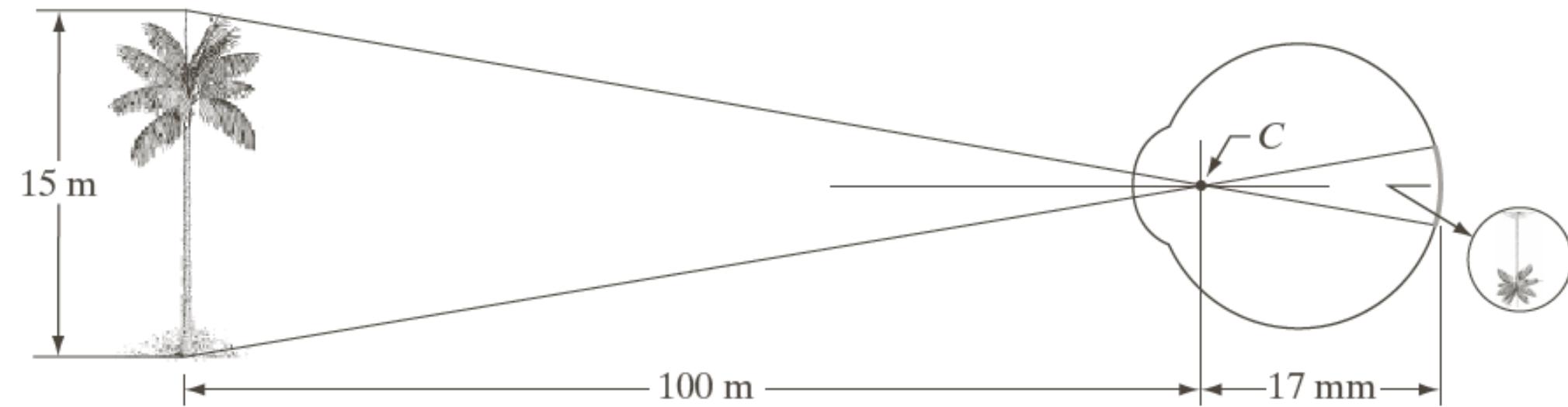


The first picture of the moon by a U.S. spacecraft. *Ranger* 7 took this image on July 31, 1964 at 9:09 A.M. EDT, about 17 minutes before impacting the lunar surface. (Courtesy of NASA.)

Image formation

- There are two parts to the image formation process:
 - The **geometry of image formation**, which determines where in the image plane the projection of a point in the scene will be located.
 - The **physics of light**, which determines the brightness of a point in the image plane as a function of illumination and surface properties.

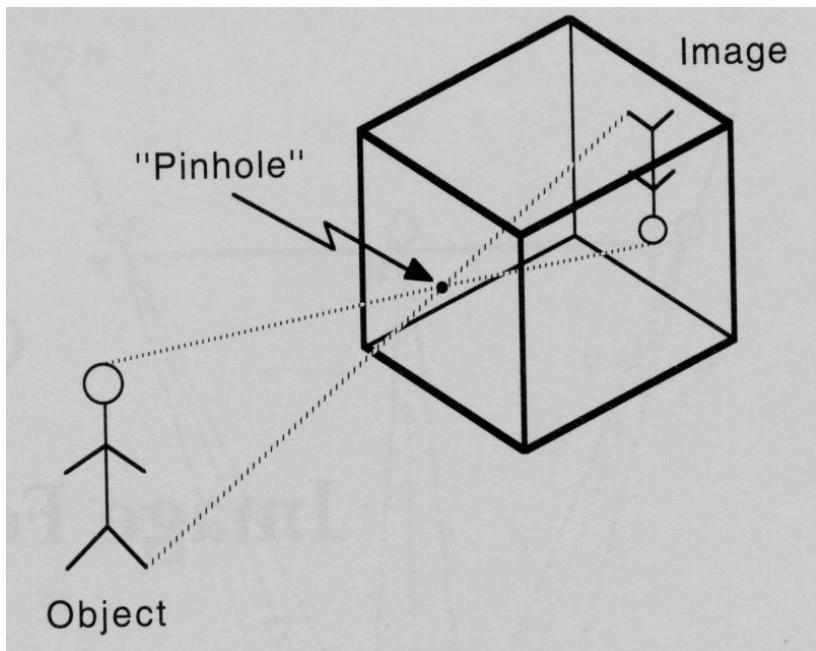




Graphical representation of the eye looking at a palm tree. Point C is the optical center of the lens.

Pinhole camera

- This is the simplest device to form an image of a 3D scene on a 2D surface.
- Straight rays of light pass through a “pinhole” and form an inverted image of the object on the image plane.



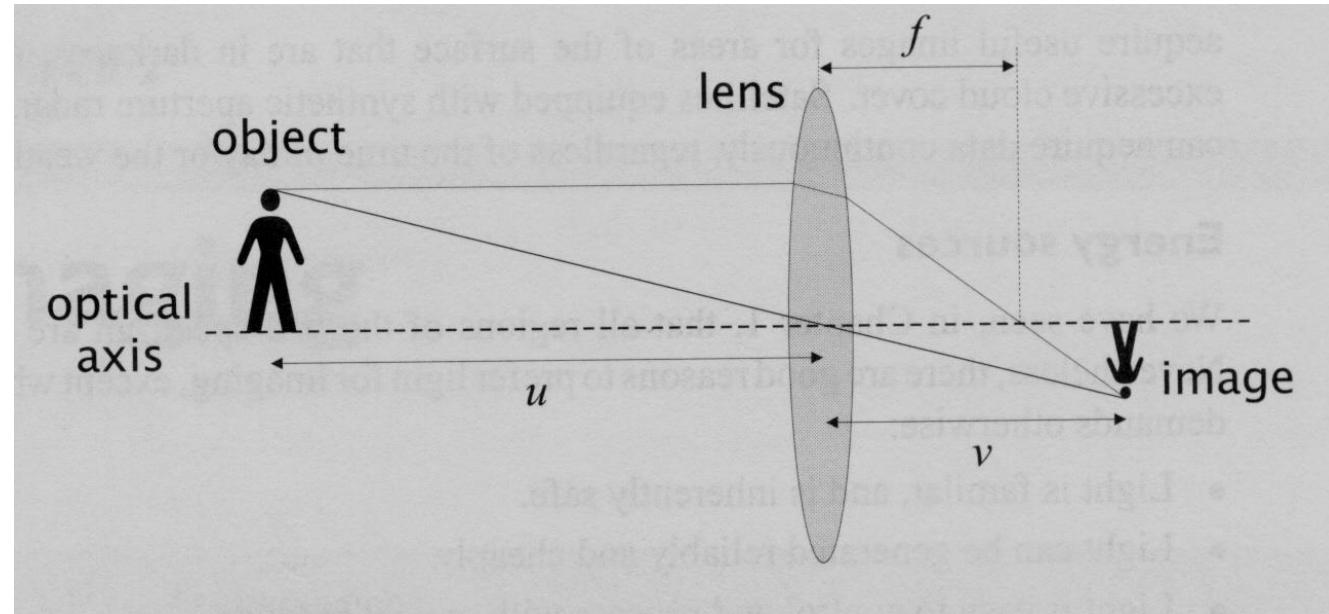
$$x = \frac{fx}{Z}$$

$$y = \frac{fy}{Z}$$



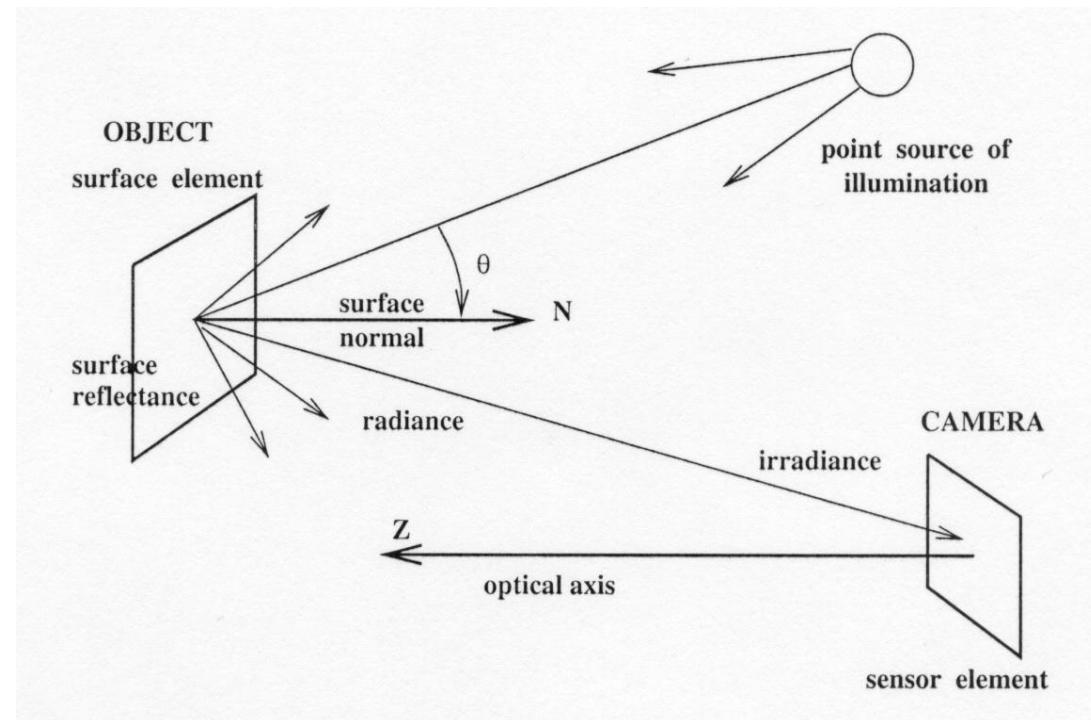
Camera optics

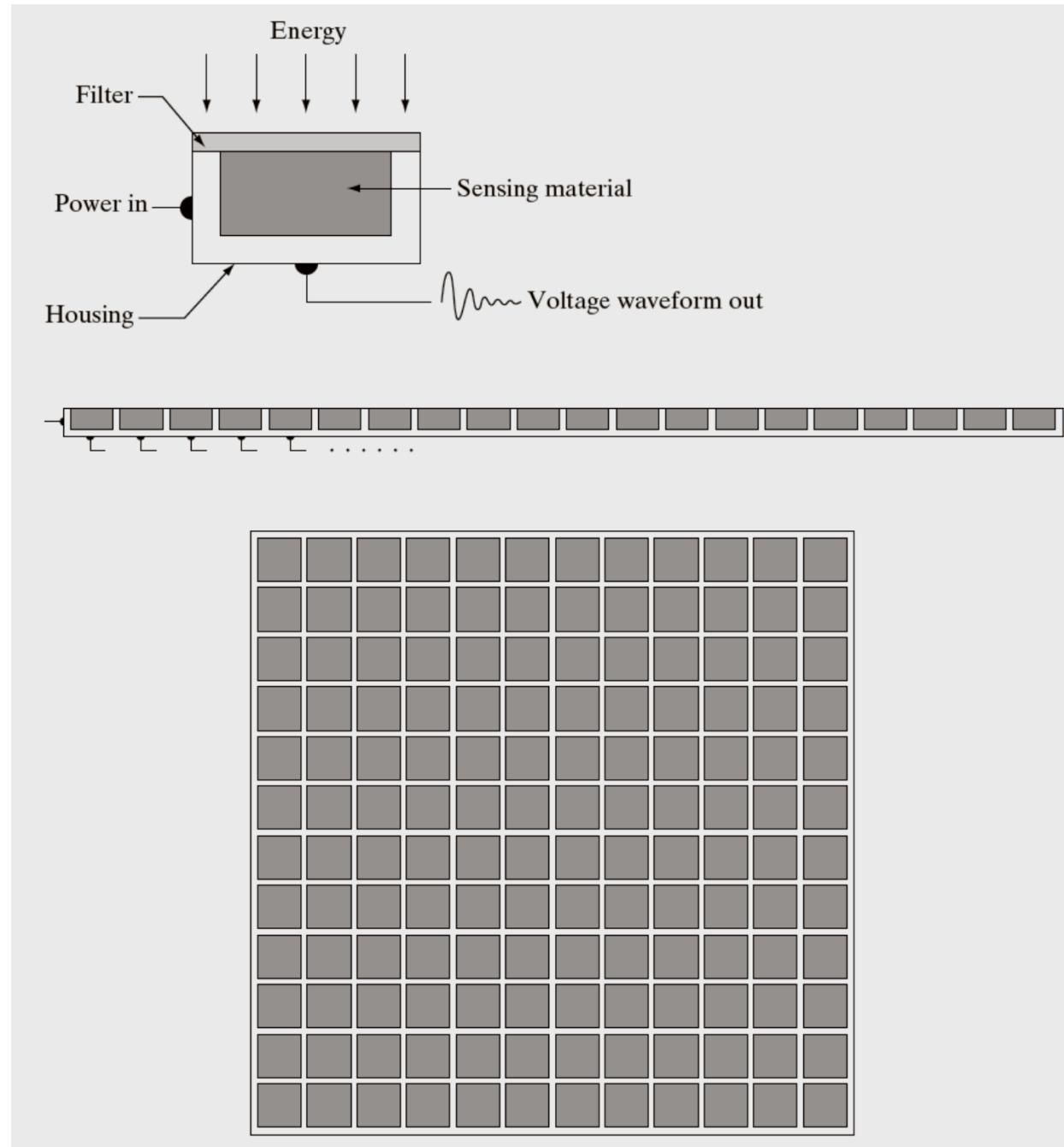
- In practice, the aperture must be larger to admit more light.
- Lenses are placed to in the aperture to focus the bundle of rays from each scene point onto the corresponding point in the image plane

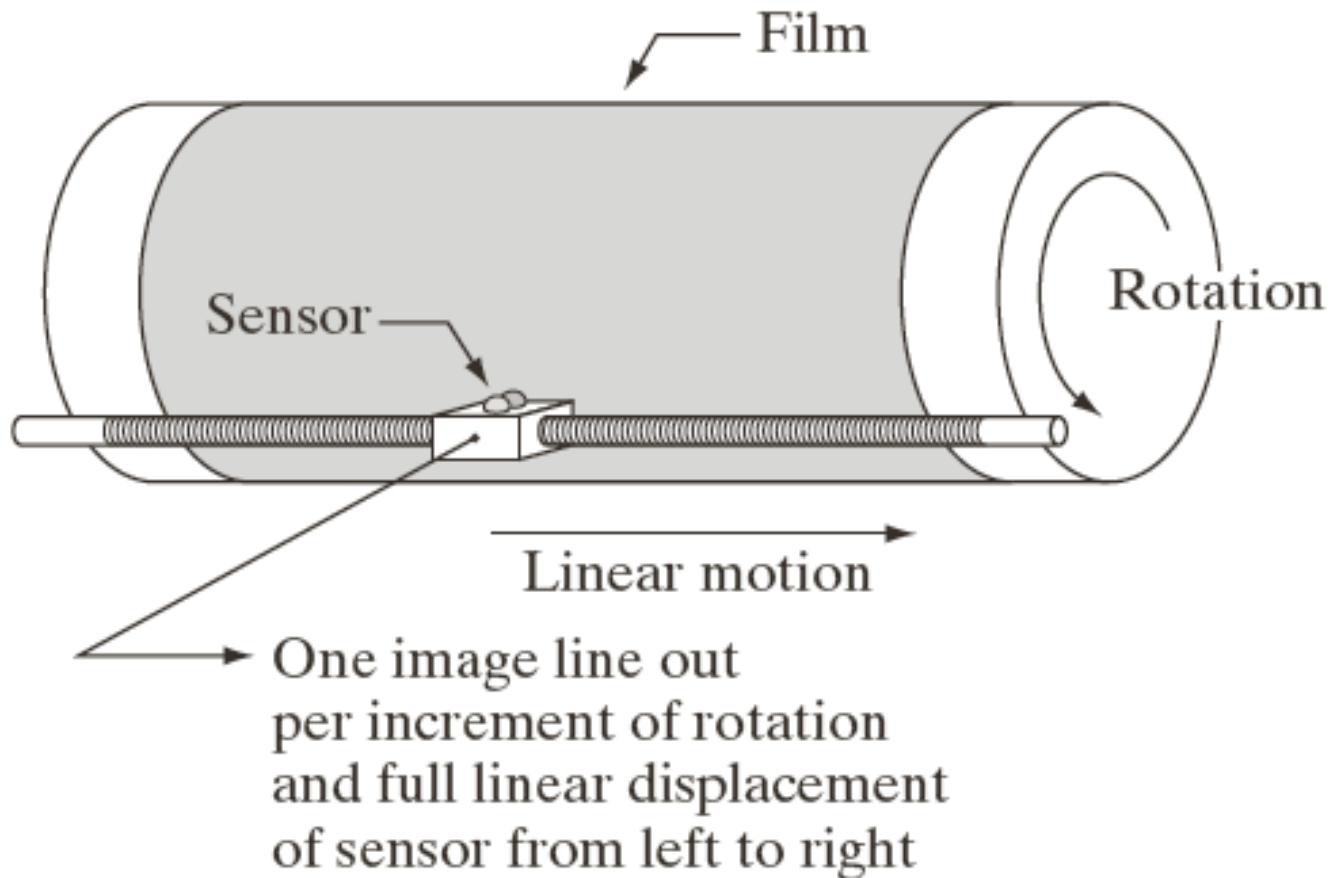


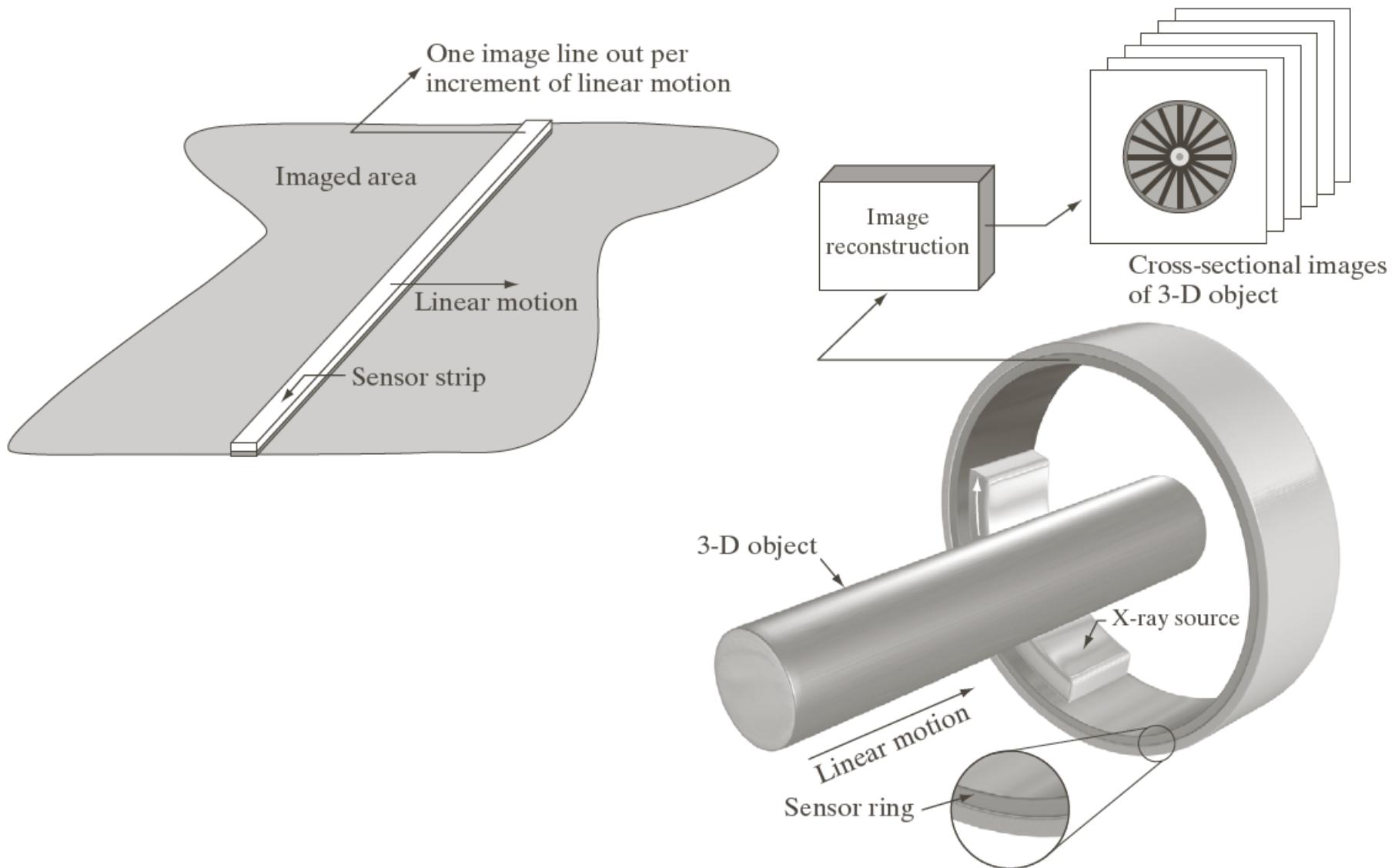
A Simple model of image formation

- The scene is illuminated by a single source.
- The scene reflects radiation towards the camera.
- The camera senses it via chemicals on film.



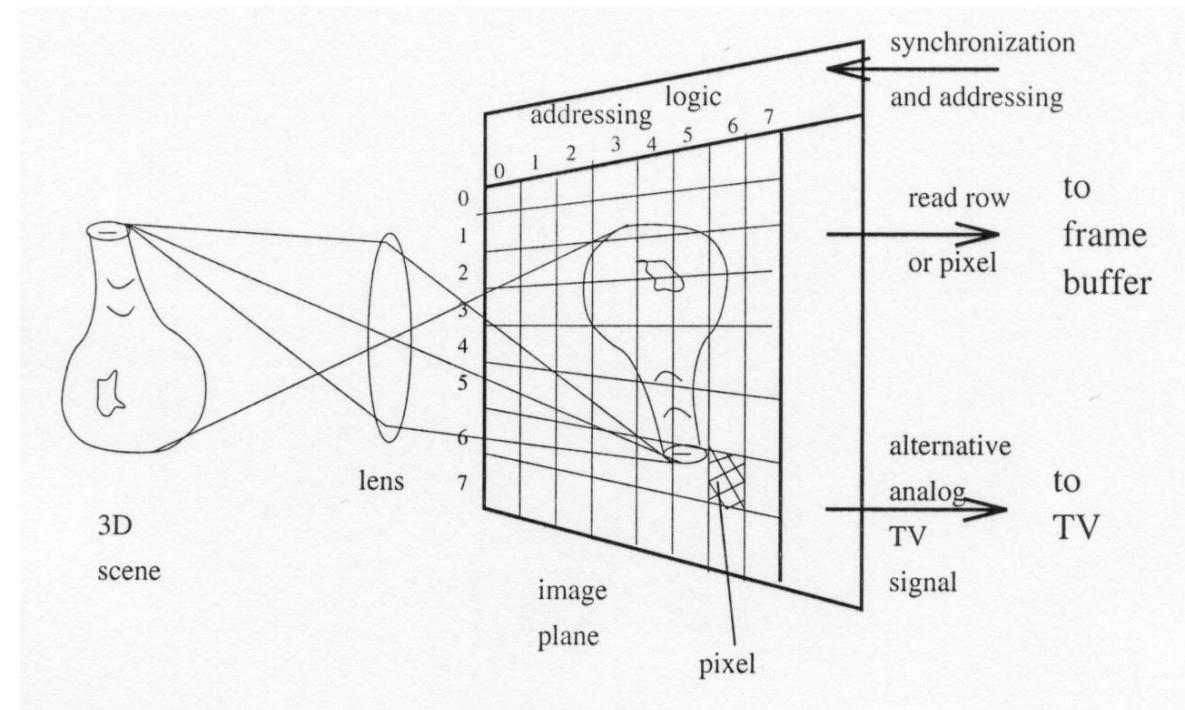






CCD (Charged-Coupled Device) cameras

- Tiny solid state cells convert light energy into electrical charge.
- The image plane acts as a digital memory that can be read row by row by a computer.



Frame grabber

- Usually, a CCD camera plugs into a computer board (**frame grabber**).
- The frame grabber digitizes the signal and stores it in its memory (**frame buffer**).

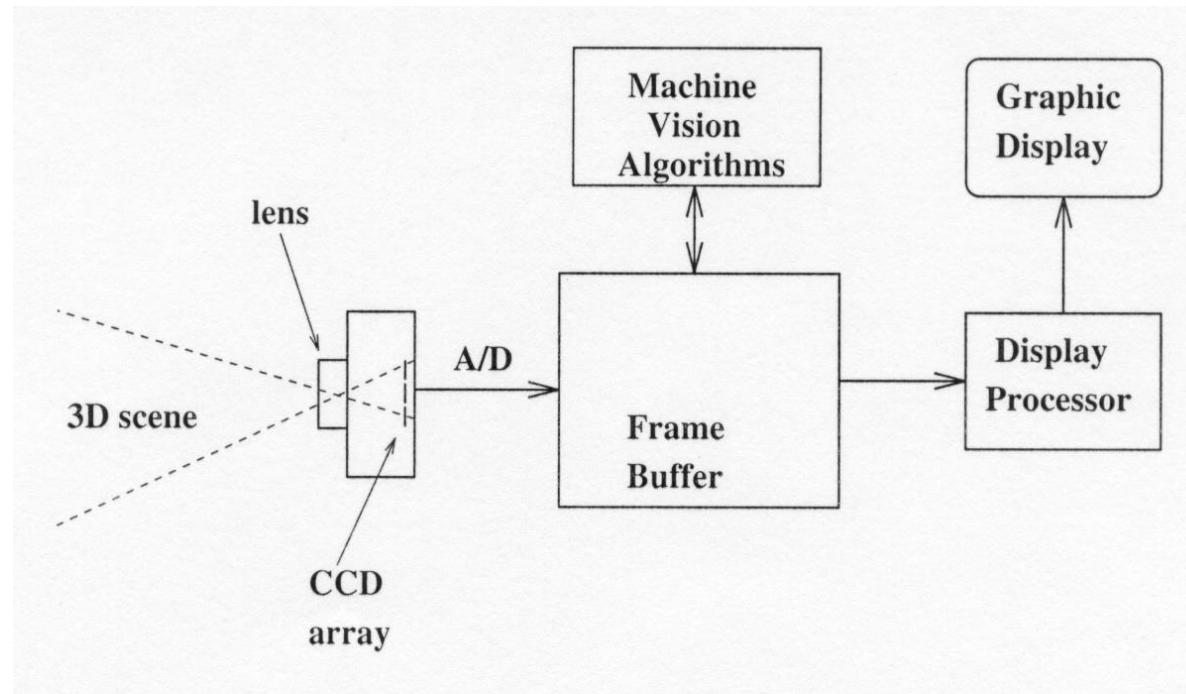
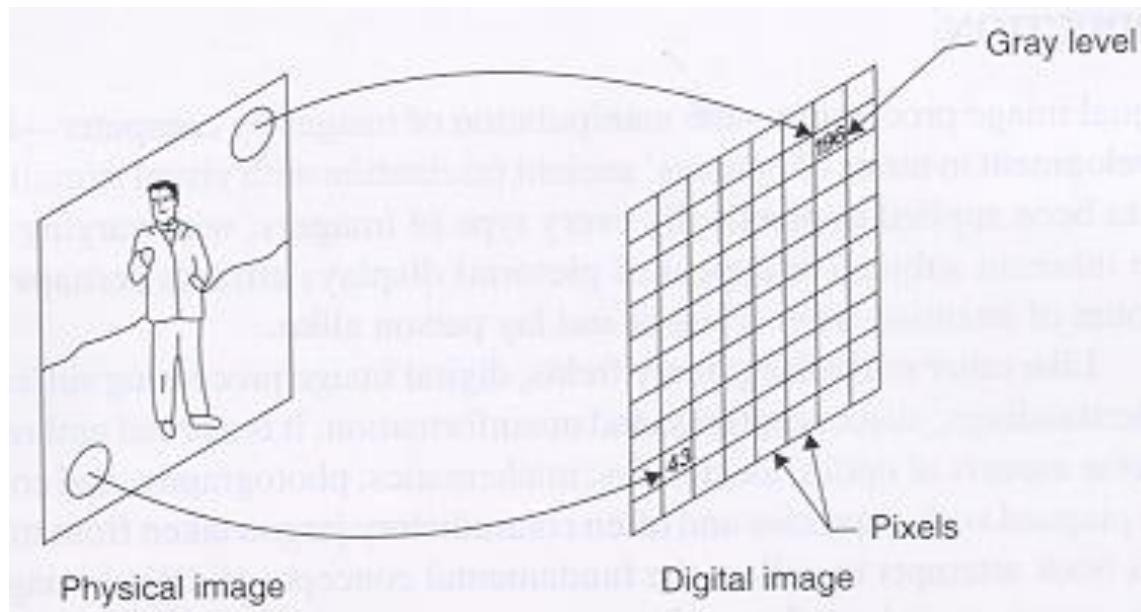
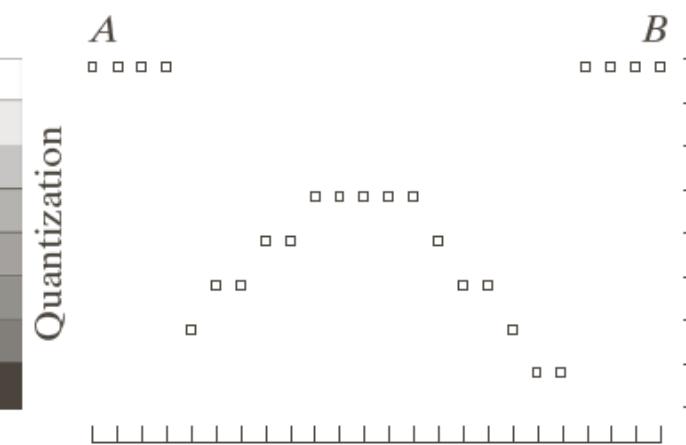
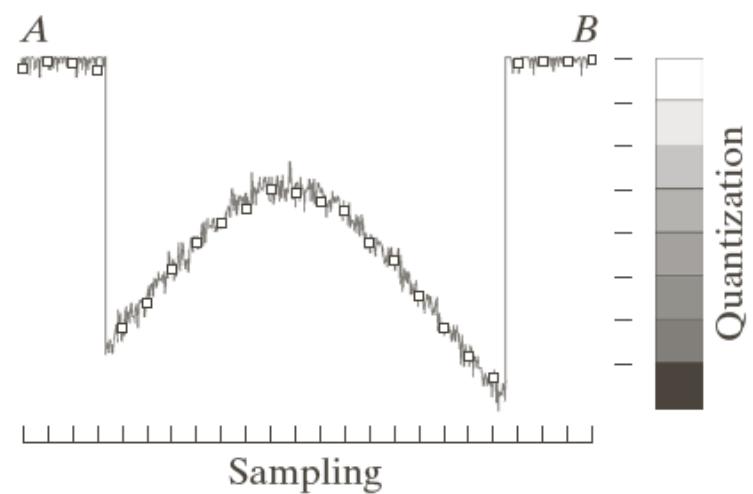
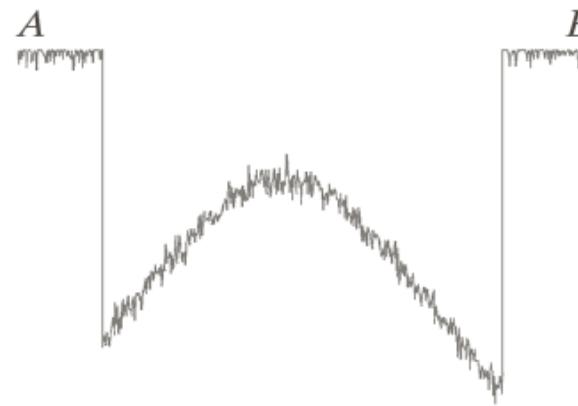
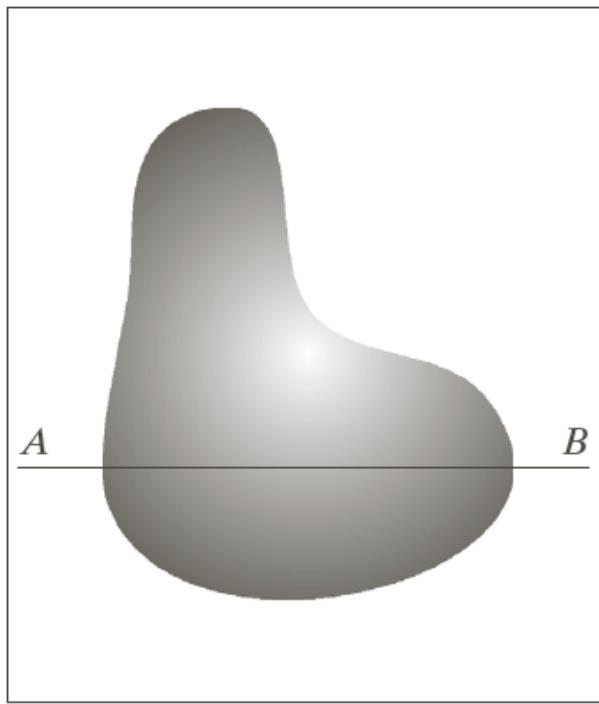
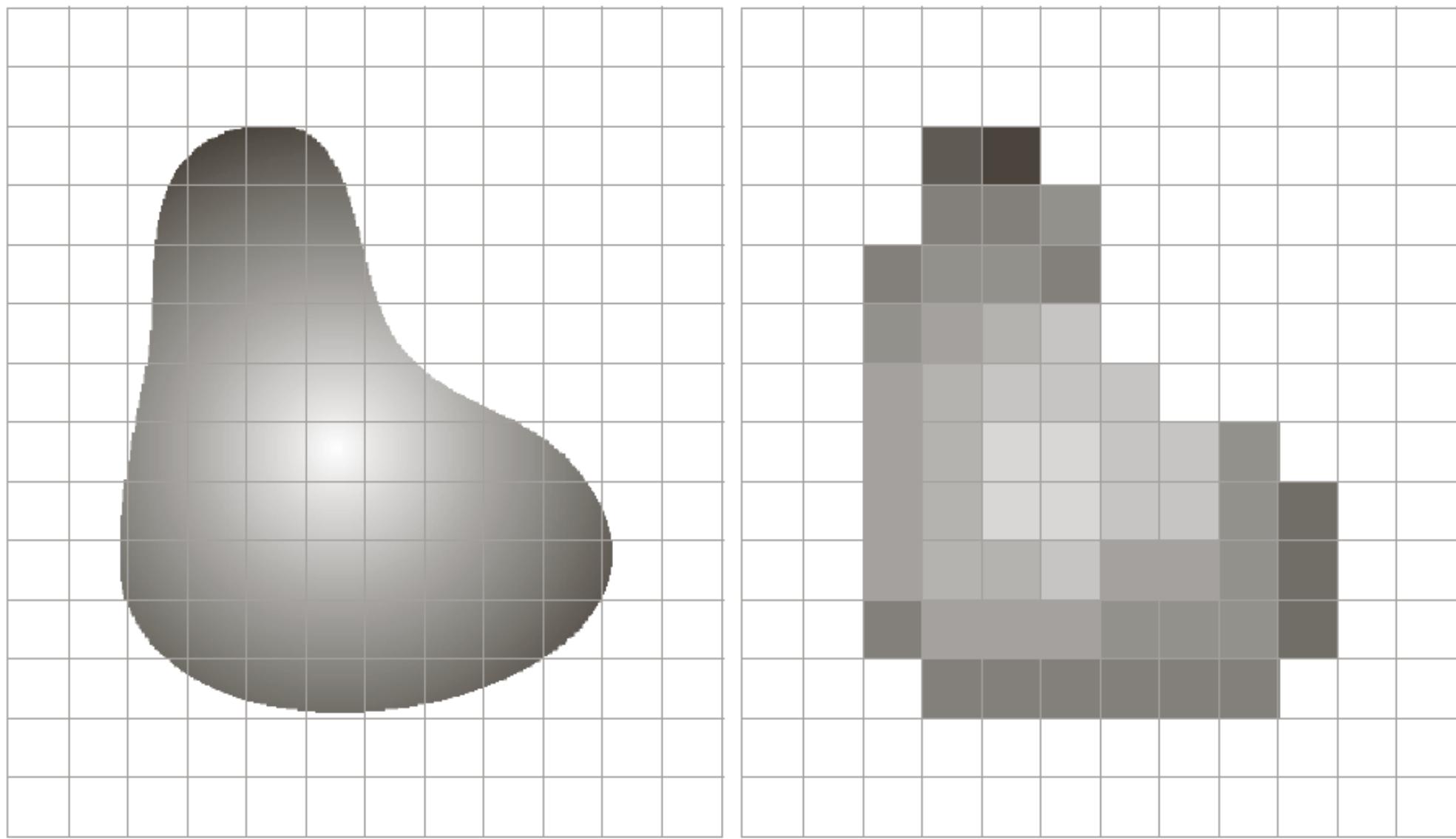


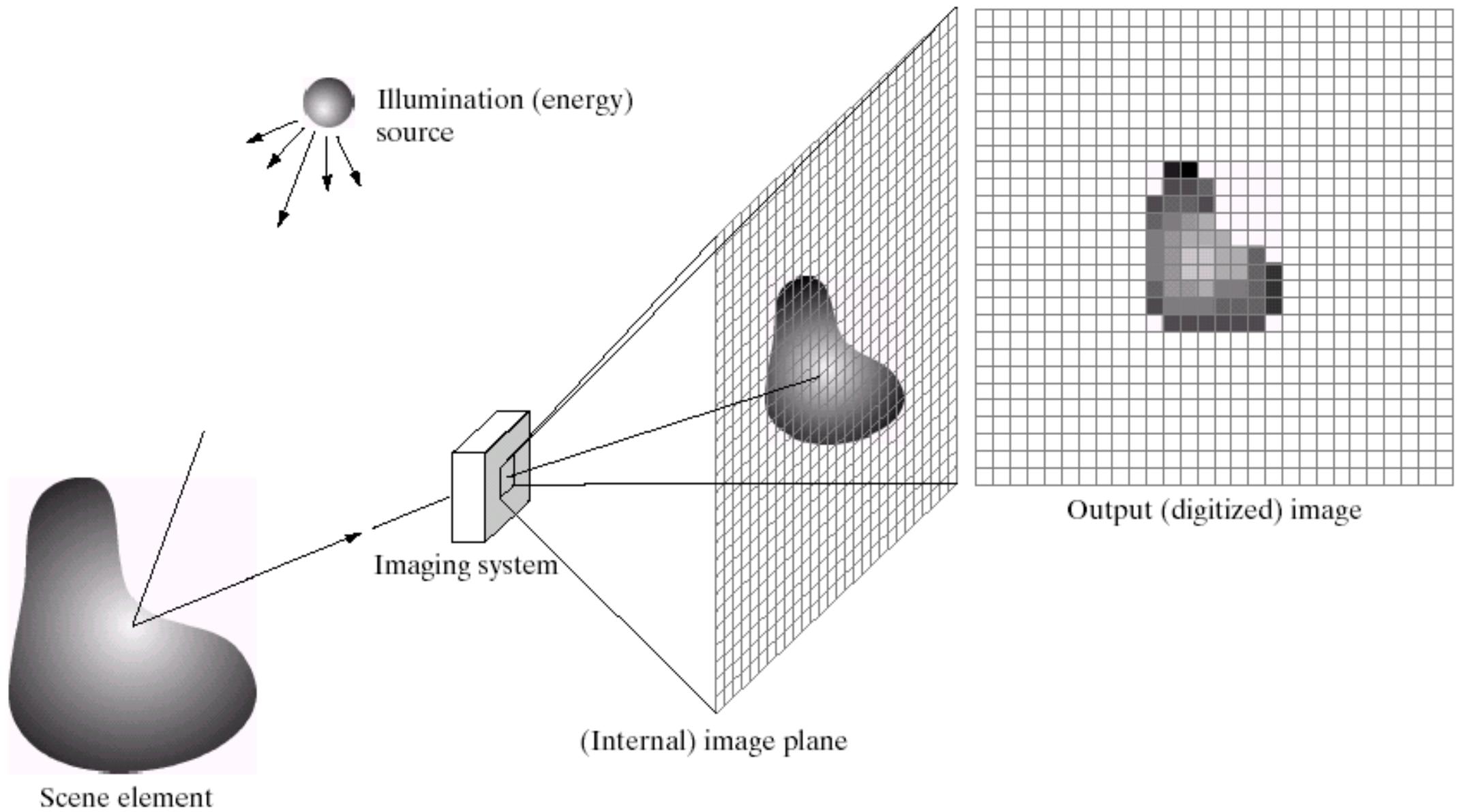
Image digitization



- **Sampling** means measuring the value of an image at a finite number of points.
- **Quantization** is the representation of the measured value at the sampled point by an integer.







Digital image

- An image is represented by a rectangular array of integers.
- An integer represents the brightness or darkness of the image at that point.
- N: # of rows, M: # of columns, Q: # of gray levels
 - $N = 2^n$, $M = 2^m$, $Q = 2^q$ (q is the # of bits/pixel)
 - Storage requirements: $N \times M \times q$ (e.g., N=M=1024, q=8, 1MB)

$$\begin{array}{cccc} f(0,0) & f(0,1) & \dots & f(0,M-1) \\ f(1,0) & f(1,1) & \dots & f(1,M-1) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ f(N-1,0) & f(N-1,1) & \dots & f(N-1,M-1) \end{array}$$

Image sampling (example)



Typical effects of reducing spatial resolution. Images shown at: (a) 1250 dpi, (b) 300 dpi, (c) 150 dpi, and (d) 72 dpi. The thin black borders were added for clarity. They are not part of the data.

Resolution: Image sampling (example)



original image

sampled by a factor of 2

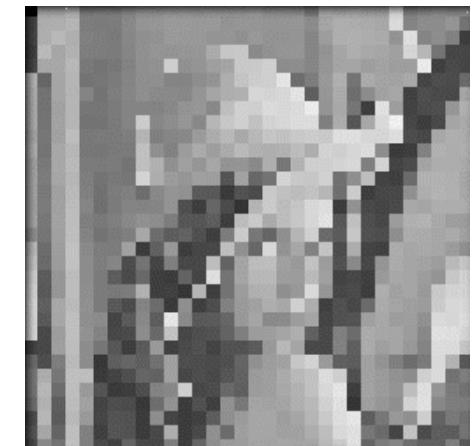


sampled by a factor of 4



sampled by a factor of 8

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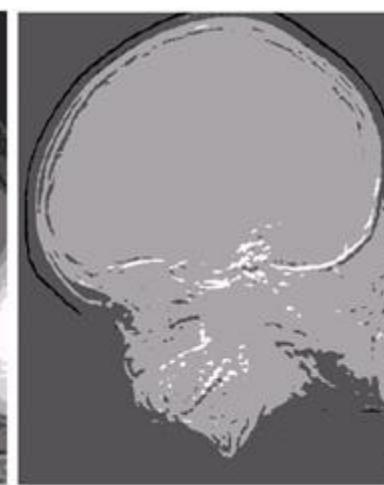
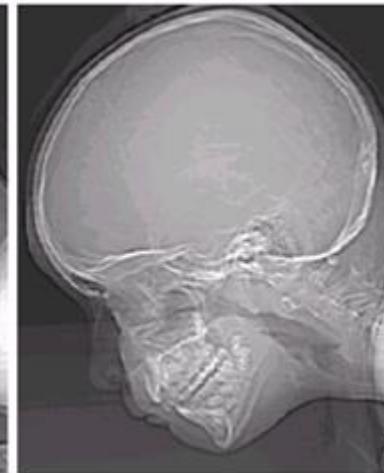
Gray-level resolution: Image quantization

- 256 gray levels (8 bits/pixel) 32 gray levels (5 bits/pixel) 16 gray levels (4 bits/pixel)



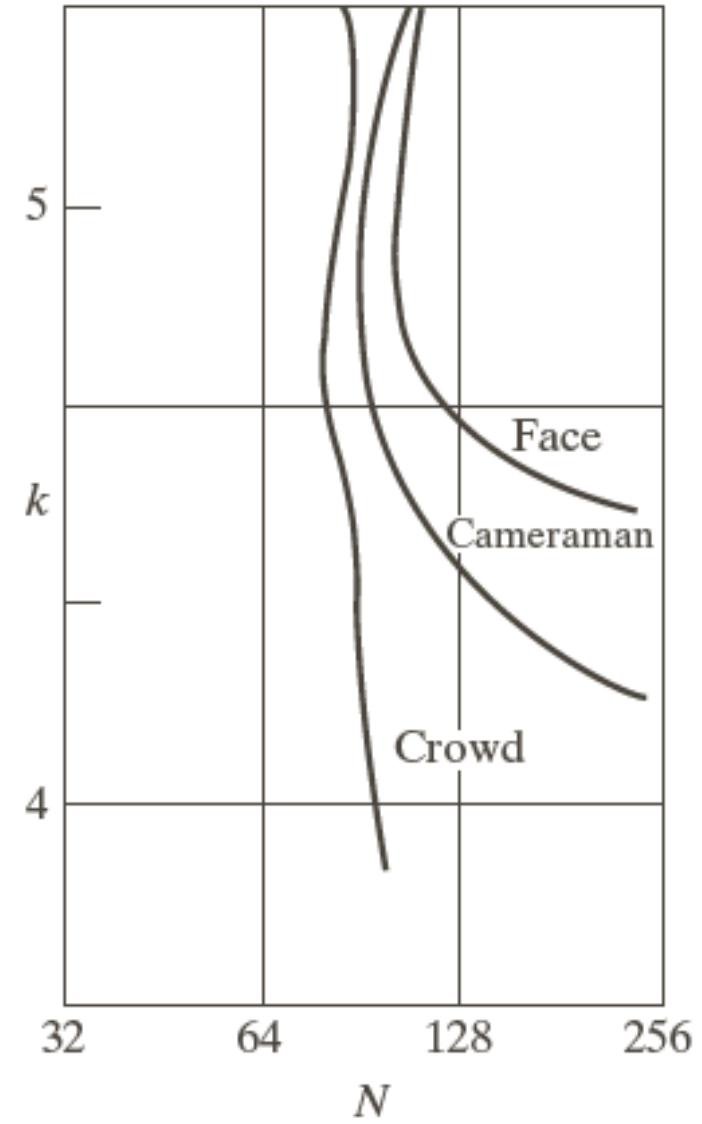
- 8 gray levels (3 bits/pixel) 4 gray levels (2 bits/pixel) 2 gray levels (1 bit/pixel)







(a) Image with a low level of detail. (b) Image with a medium level of detail. (c) Image with a relatively large amount of detail. (Image (b) courtesy of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.)

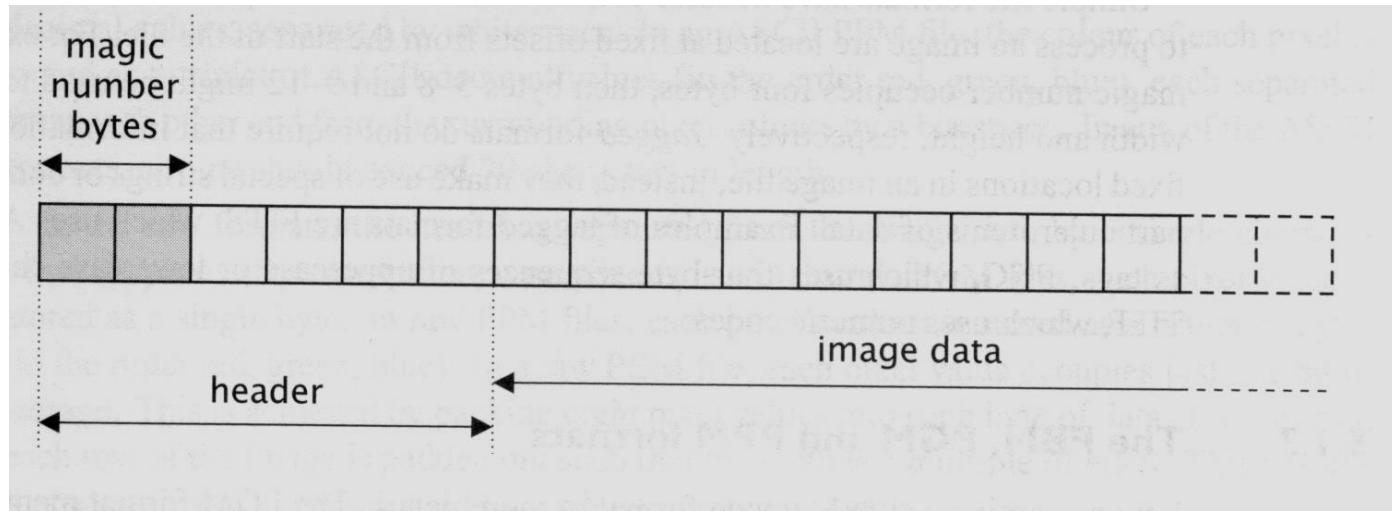




(a) Image reduced to 72 dpi and zoomed back to its original size (3692×2812 pixels) using nearest neighbor interpolation. This figure is the same as Fig. 2.20(d). (b) Image shrunk and zoomed using bilinear interpolation. (c) Same as (b) but using bicubic interpolation. (d)–(f) Same sequence, but shrinking down to 150 dpi instead of 72 dpi [Fig. 2.24(d) is the same as Fig. 2.20(c)]. Compare Figs. 2.24(e) and (f), especially the latter, with the original image in Fig. 2.20(a).

Image file formats

- Many image formats adhere to the simple model shown below (line by line, no breaks between lines).
- The header contains at least the width and height of the image.
- Most headers begin with a **signature** or “magic number” - a short sequence of bytes for identifying the file format.



Common image file formats

- GIF (Graphic Interchange Format) -
- PNG (Portable Network Graphics)
- JPEG (Joint Photographic Experts Group)
- TIFF (Tagged Image File Format)
- PGM (Portable Gray Map)
- FITS (Flexible Image Transport System)

PGM format

- A popular format for grayscale images (8 bits/pixel)
- Closely-related formats are:
 - PBM (Portable Bitmap), for binary images (1 bit/pixel)
 - PPM (Portable Pixelmap), for color images (24 bits/pixel)

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P2
# a simple PGM image
7 7 255
120 120 120 120 120 120 120
120 120 120 33 120 120 120
120 120 120 33 120 120 120
120 33 33 33 33 33 120
120 120 120 33 120 120 120
120 120 120 33 120 120 120
120 120 120 120 120 120 120

P5
# a simple PGM image
7 7 255
xxxxxxxx!xxxxx!xxxx!!!!xxx!xxxxx!xxxxxxxxx
```

ASCII or binary (raw) storage

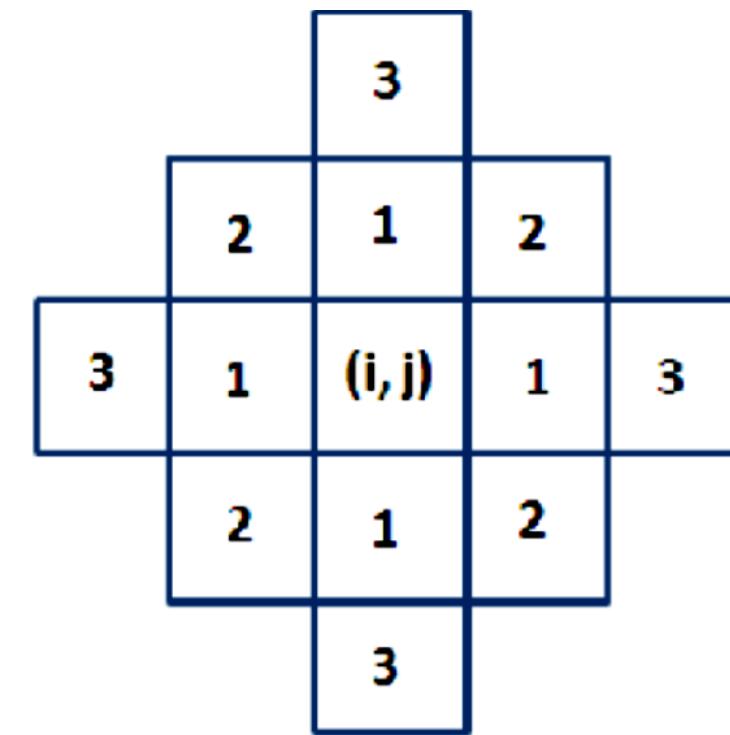
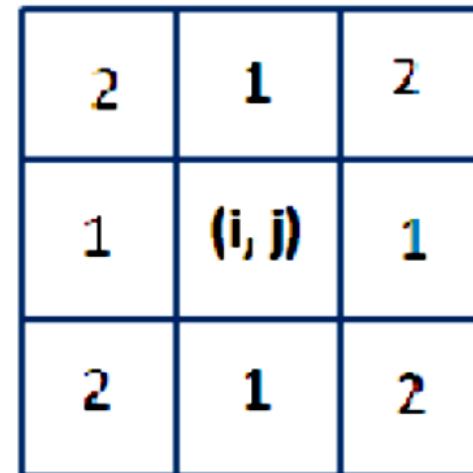
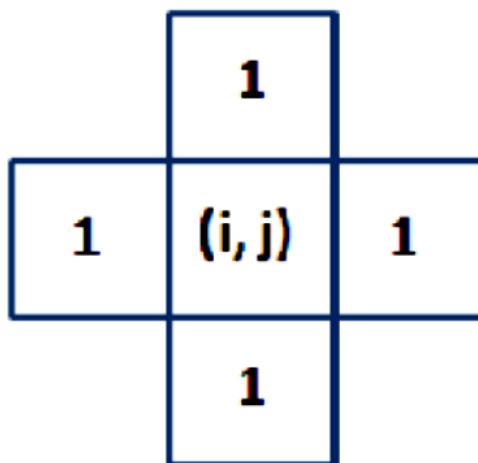
Signatures of the various PBM, PGM and PPM image formats.

Signature	Image type	Storage type
P1	binary	ASCII
P2	greyscale	ASCII
P3	RGB	ASCII
P4	binary	raw bytes
P5	greyscale	raw bytes
P6	RGB	raw bytes

ASCII vs Raw format

- ASCII format has the following advantages:
 - Pixel values can be examined or modified very easily using a standard text editor.
 - Files in raw format cannot be modified in this way since they contain many unprintable characters.
- Raw format has the following advantages:
 - It is much more compact compared to the ASCII format.
 - Pixel values are coded using only a single character !

Neighborhood



Distance Measures

For pixels p , q , and z . with coordinates (x, y) . (s, t) , and (v, w) , respectively, D is a *distance function* or *metric* if

- (a) $D(p, q) \geq 0$ iff $p = q$,
- (b) $D(p, q) = D(q, p)$, and
- (c) $D(p, z) \leq D(p, q) + D(q, z)$.

Euclidean Distance

- The *Euclidean distance* between p and q is defined as

$$D_e(p, q) = \sqrt{(x - s)^2 + (y - t)^2}$$

		2		
	$\sqrt{2}$	1	$\sqrt{2}$	
2	1	0	1	2
	$\sqrt{2}$	1	$\sqrt{2}$	
		2		

City-block distance

- The D_1 distance (also called *city-block distance*) between p and q is defined as

$$D_1(p, q) = |x - s| + |y - t|.$$

2

2 1 2

2 1 0 1 2

2 1 2

2

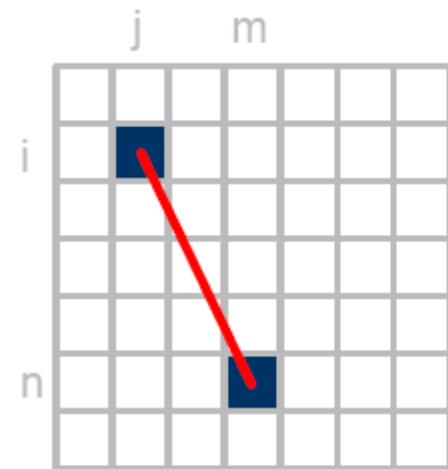
Chessboard distance

- The D_8 distance (also called *chessboard distance*) between p and q is defined as

$$D_8(p, q) = \max(|x - s|, |y - t|)$$

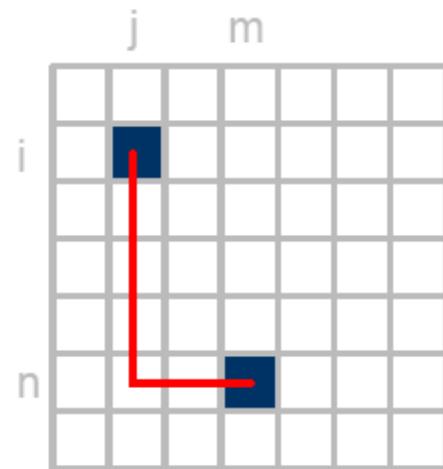
2	2	2	2	2
2	1	1	1	2
2	1	0	1	2
2	1	1	1	2
2	2	2	2	2

Distance measures



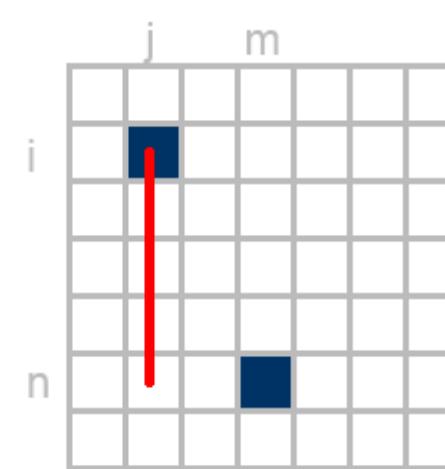
Euclidean Distance

$$= \sqrt{(i-n)^2 + (j-m)^2}$$



City Block Distance

$$= |i-n| + |j-m|$$



Chessboard Distance

$$= \max[|i-n|, |j-m|]$$

Adjacency and Connectivity

- Two pixels are said to be connected if they are neighbors and satisfy some specific criteria of similarity (e.g., same gray value).
- Let V : a set of intensity values used to define adjacency and connectivity.
- In a binary image, $V = \{1\}$, if we are referring to adjacency of pixels with value 1.
- In a gray-scale image, the idea is the same, but V typically contains more elements, for example, $V = \{180, 181, 182, \dots, 200\}$
- If the possible intensity values 0 – 255, V set can be any subset of these 256 values.

Types of Adjacency

1. **4-adjacency:** Two pixels p and q with values from V are 4-adjacent if q is in the set $N_4(p)$.
2. **8-adjacency:** Two pixels p and q with values from V are 8-adjacent if q is in the set $N_8(p)$.
3. **m-adjacency =(mixed)**

Types of Adjacency

- **m-adjacency:**

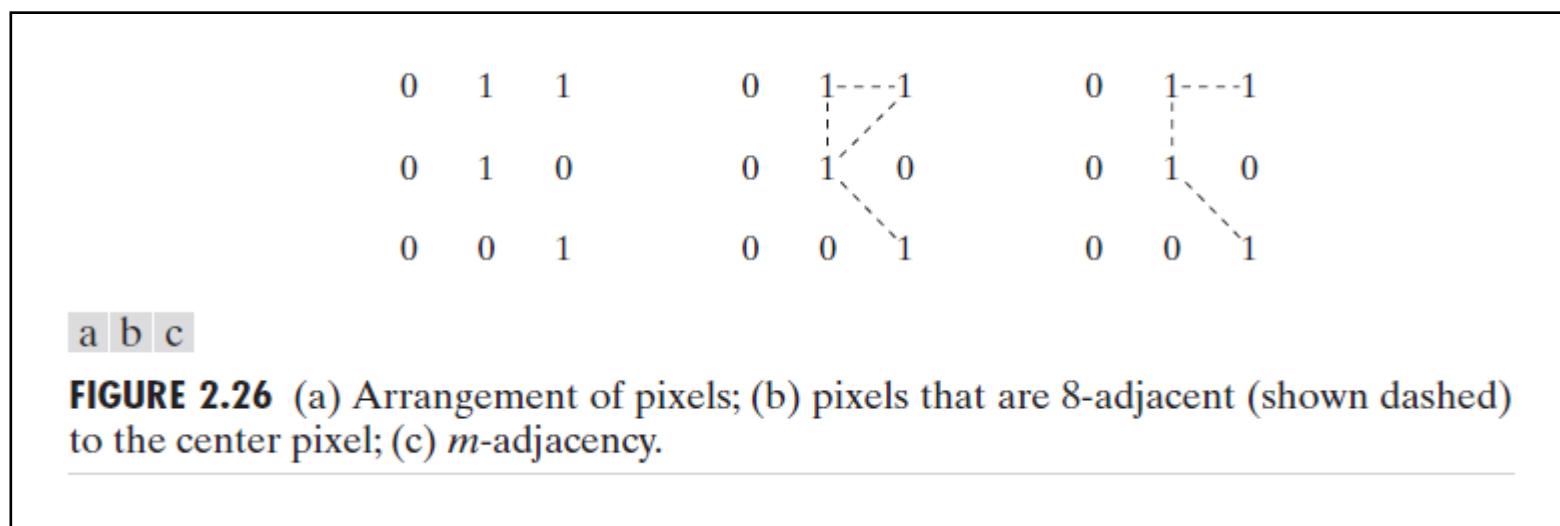
Two pixels p and q with values from V are m-adjacent if :

- q is in $N_4(p)$ or
- q is in $N_D(p)$ and the set $N_4(p) \cap N_4(q)$ has no pixel whose values are from V (no intersection)

- **Important Note:** the type of adjacency used must be specified

Types of Adjacency

- Mixed adjacency is a modification of 8-adjacency. It is introduced to eliminate the ambiguities that often arise when 8-adjacency is used.
- For example:



Types of Adjacency

- In this example, we can note that to connect between two pixels (finding a path between two pixels):
 - In 8-adjacency way, you can find multiple paths between two pixels
 - While, in m-adjacency, you can find only one path between two pixels
- So, m-adjacency has eliminated the multiple path connection that has been generated by the 8-adjacency.
- Two subsets S_1 and S_2 are adjacent, if some pixel in S_1 is adjacent to some pixel in S_2 . Adjacent means, either 4-, 8- or m-adjacency.

A Digital Path

- A digital path (or curve) from pixel p with coordinate (x,y) to pixel q with coordinate (s,t) is a sequence of distinct pixels with coordinates $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ where $(x_0, y_0) = (x, y)$ and $(x_n, y_n) = (s, t)$ and pixels (x_i, y_i) and (x_{i-1}, y_{i-1}) are adjacent for $1 \leq i \leq n$
- n is the length of the path
- If $(x_0, y_0) = (x_n, y_n)$, the path is closed.
- We can specify 4-, 8- or m-paths depending on the type of adjacency specified.

A Digital Path

- Return to the previous example:

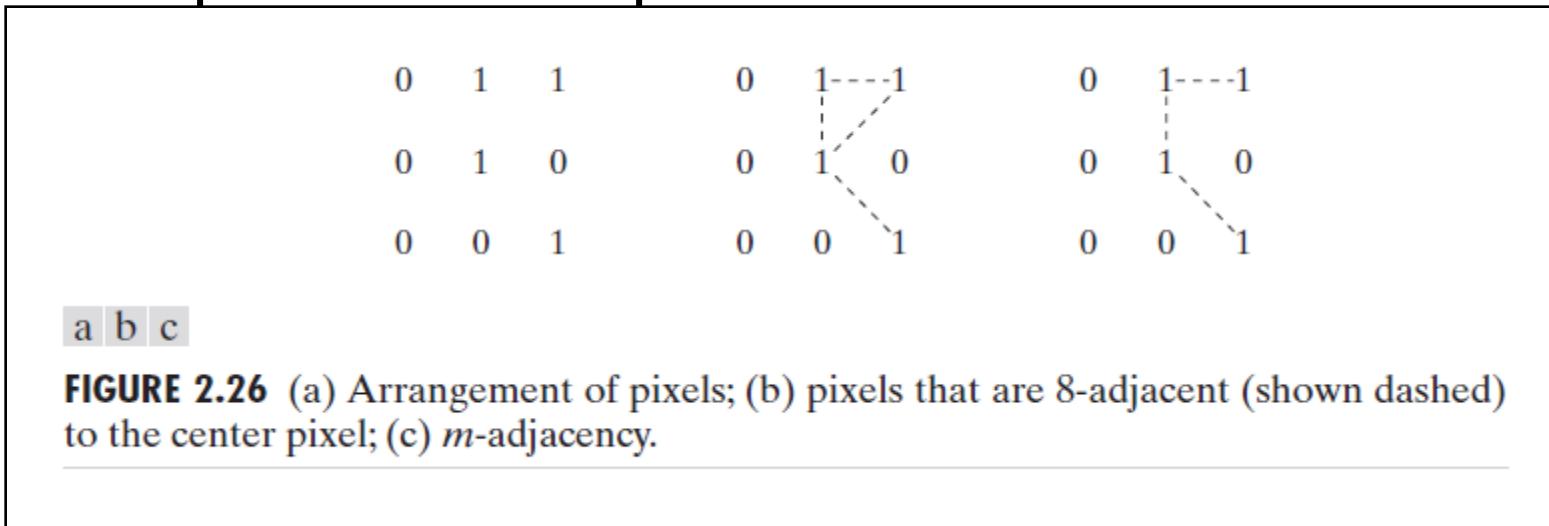


FIGURE 2.26 (a) Arrangement of pixels; (b) pixels that are 8-adjacent (shown dashed) to the center pixel; (c) m -adjacency.

In figure (b) the paths between the top right and bottom right pixels are 8-paths. And the path between the same 2 pixels in figure (c) is m -path

Connectivity

- Let S represent a subset of pixels in an image, two pixels p and q are said to be connected in S if there exists a path between them consisting entirely of pixels in S .
- For any pixel p in S , the set of pixels that are connected to it in S is called a *connected component* of S . If it only has one connected component, then set S is called a *connected set*.

Region and Boundary

- **Region**

Let R be a subset of pixels in an image, we call R a region of the image if R is a connected set.

- **Boundary**

The *boundary* (also called *border* or *contour*) of a region R is the set of pixels in the region that have one or more neighbors that are not in R .

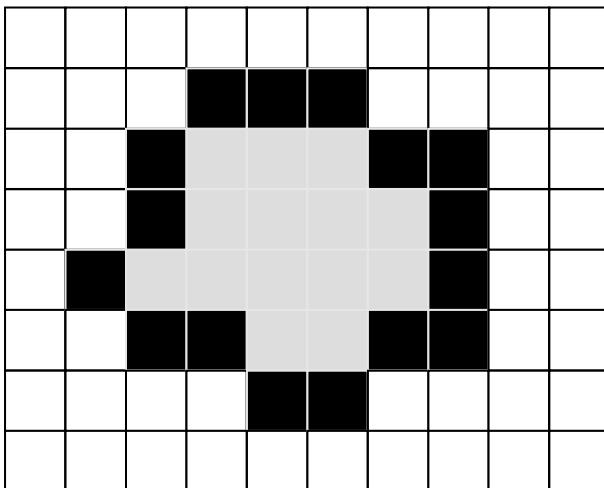
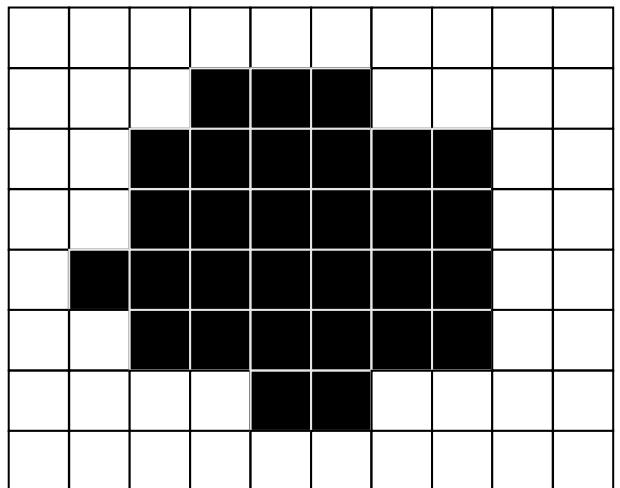
Region and Boundary

If R happens to be an entire image, then its boundary is defined as the set of pixels in the first and last rows and columns in the image.

This extra definition is required because an image has no neighbors beyond its borders

Regions

- R is a region if R is a connected set.
- The pixel in the boundary (contour) has at least one 4-adjacent neighbor whose value is 255.



P_3 P_4

P_1 P_2

P

1. $P=P_2=P_4=1$ and $P_1=P_3=0$
2. $P=P_2=P_4=1$ and $P_1=P_3=1$
3. $P=P_2=P_4=P_1=1$ and $P_3=0$
4. $P=P_2=P_4=P_3=1$ and $P_1=0$