



Computer Vision

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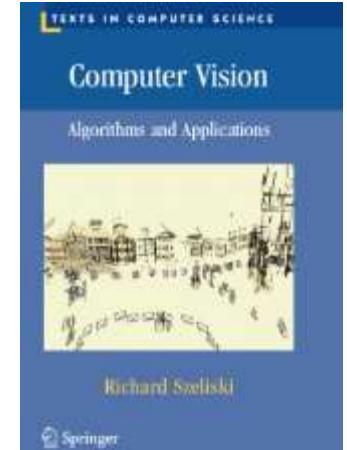
Administrivia

- Classes: Wed, 13-16, CHN C 14
- Exercises: Thu, 15-16, CHN C 14
- Instructors: Marc Pollefeys
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Vittorio Ferrari
- Main assistant: Pablo Speciale
- Prerequisite: Visual Computing (or equivalent)
(if missing background, probably better to choose:
Image Analysis and Computer Vision, Székely, Van Gool)



Material

- Slides
- Webpage (with slides, assignments.)
<http://www.cvg.ethz.ch/teaching/compvis/>
- Reference book:
Computer Vision:
Algorithms and Applications
by Rick Szeliski
<http://szeliski.org/Book/>



Also Simon Prince's book, available free online
<http://computervisionmodels.blogspot.com/>



What is computer vision?



Done?



What is computer vision?

- Automatic understanding of images and video
 - Computing properties of the 3D world from visual data (*measurement*)
 - Algorithms and representations to allow a machine to recognize objects, people, scenes, and activities. (*perception and interpretation*)



Vision for measurement

Real-time stereo

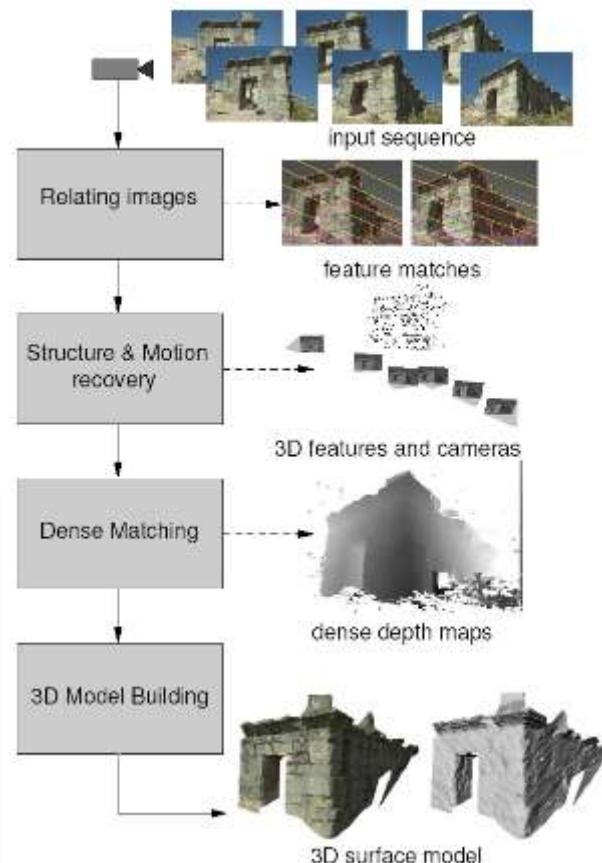


NASA Mars Rover



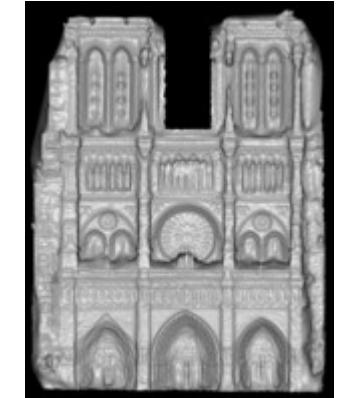
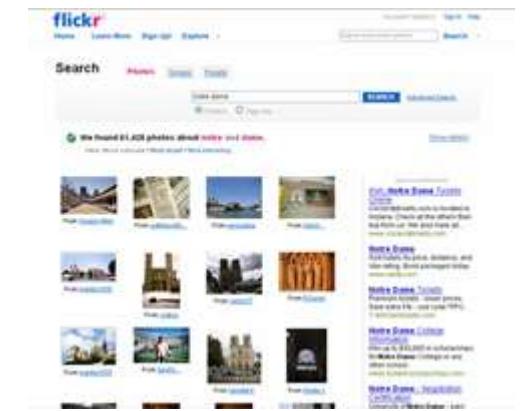
Yang and Pollefeys

Structure from motion



Pollefeys et al

Multi-view stereo for community photo collections

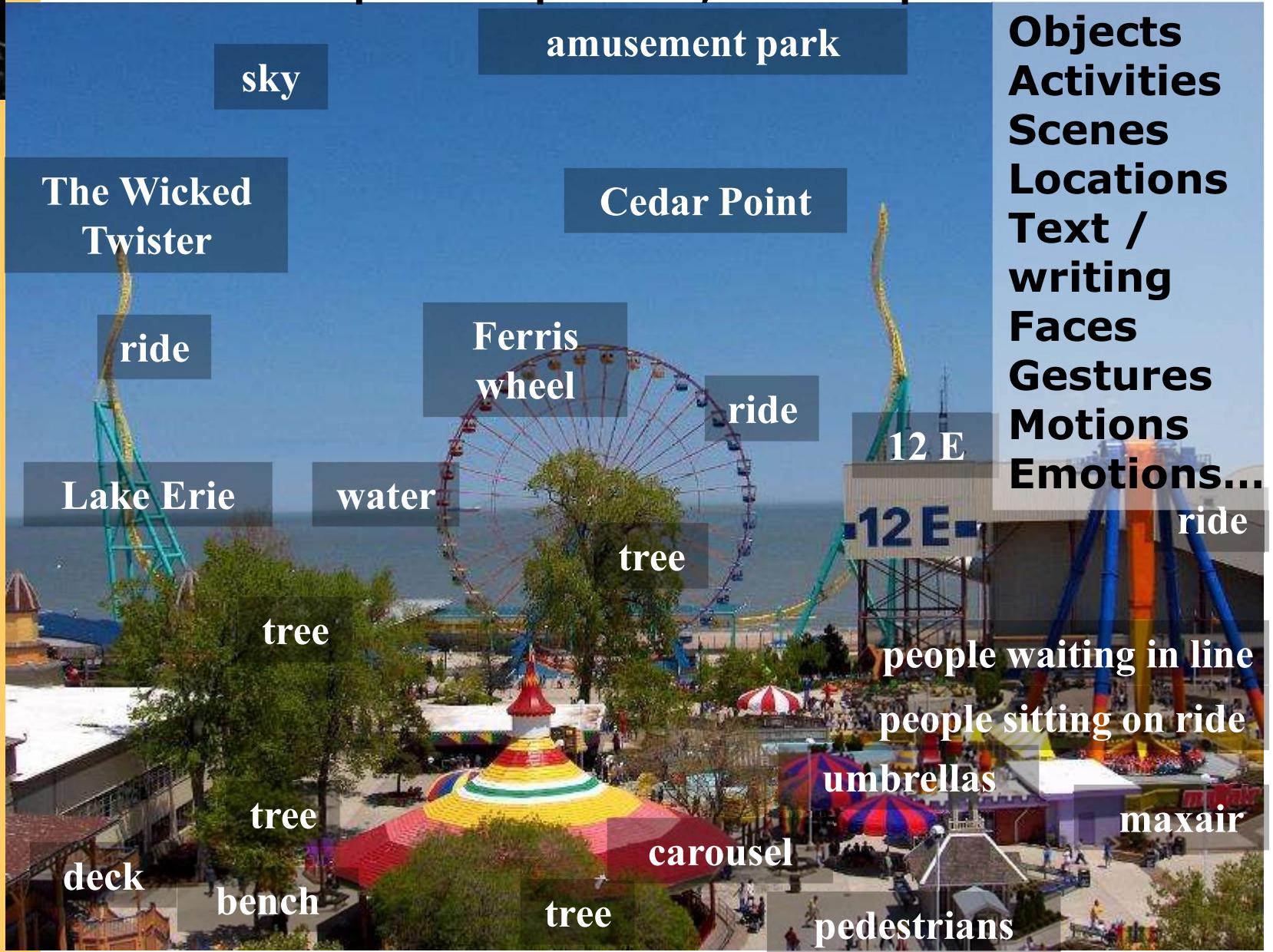


Goesele et al.

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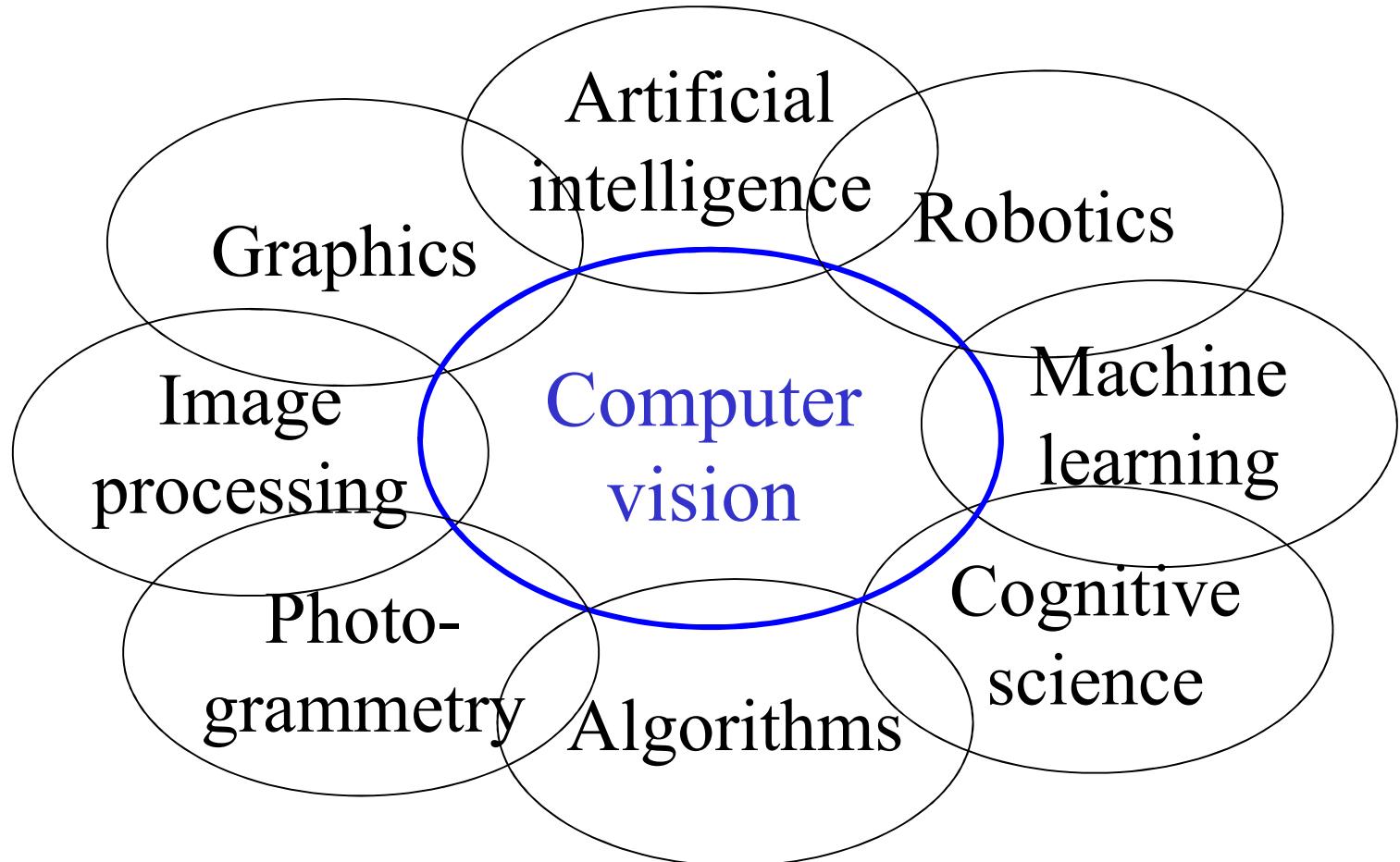


Vision for perception, interpretation



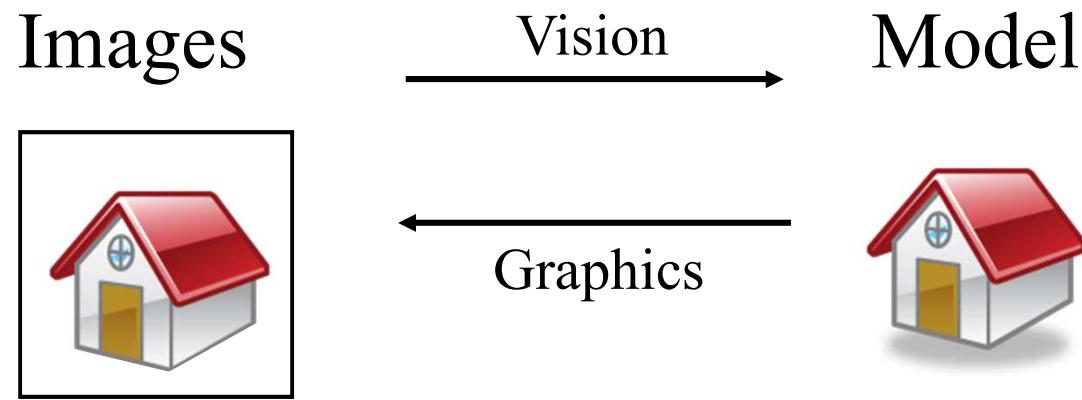


Related disciplines





Vision and graphics



Inverse problems: analysis and synthesis.



Why vision?

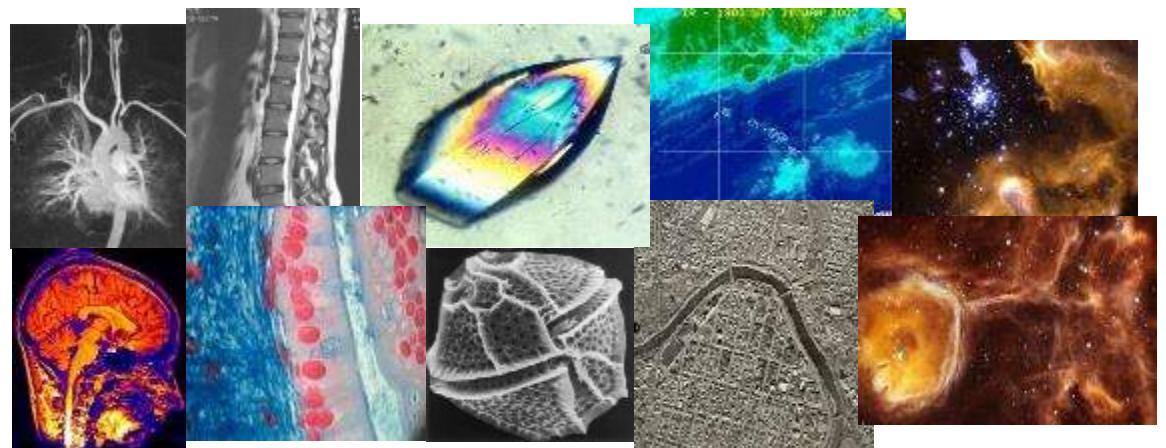
- As image sources multiply, so do applications
 - Relieve humans of boring, easy tasks
 - Enhance human abilities: human-computer interaction, visualization
 - Perception for robotics / autonomous agents
 - Organize and give access to visual content



Personal photo albums



Surveillance and security



Medical and scientific images

Slide credit; L. Lazebnik



Why is vision hard?

Grayscale Image

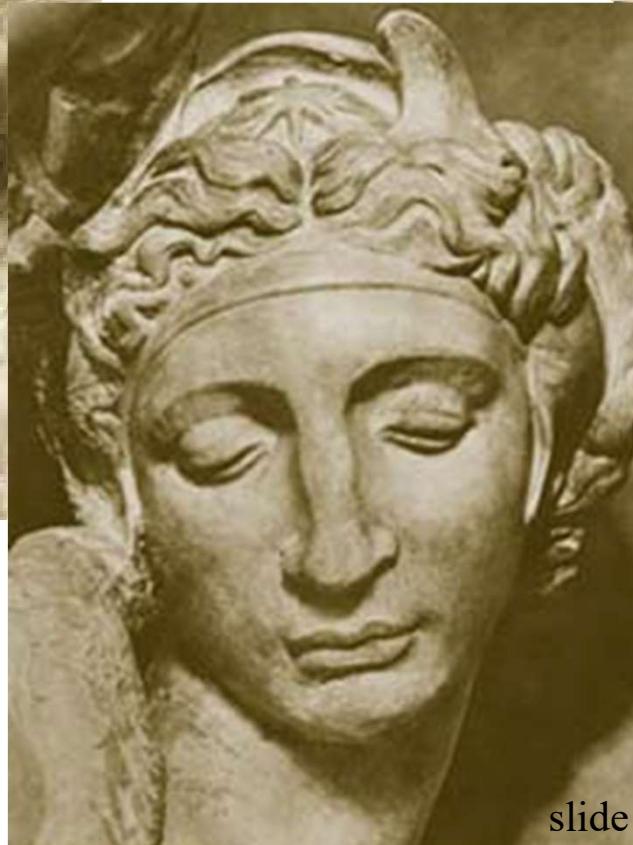
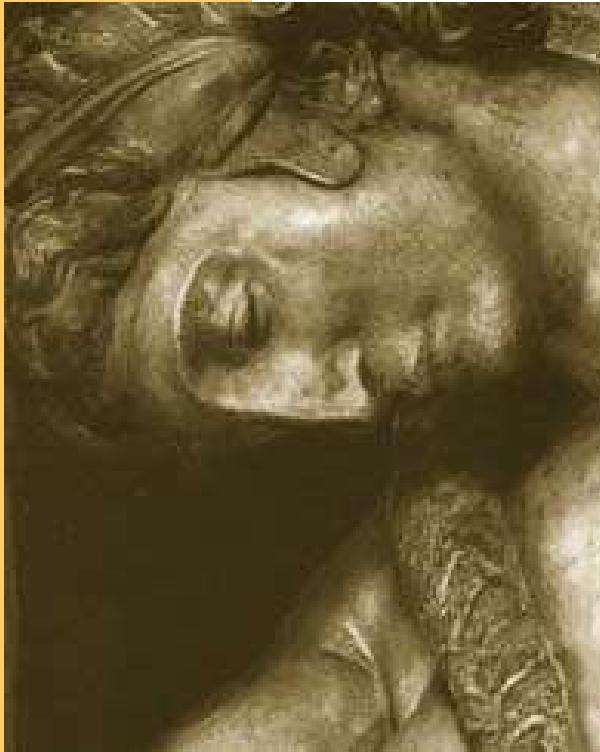
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How do we go from an array of numbers recognizing fruit?

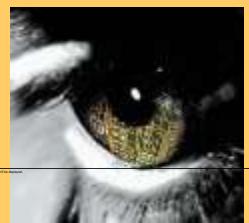


Challenges: viewpoint variation



Michelangelo 1475-1564

slide credit: Fei-Fei, Fergus & Torralba



Challenges: illumination

image credit: J. Koenderink



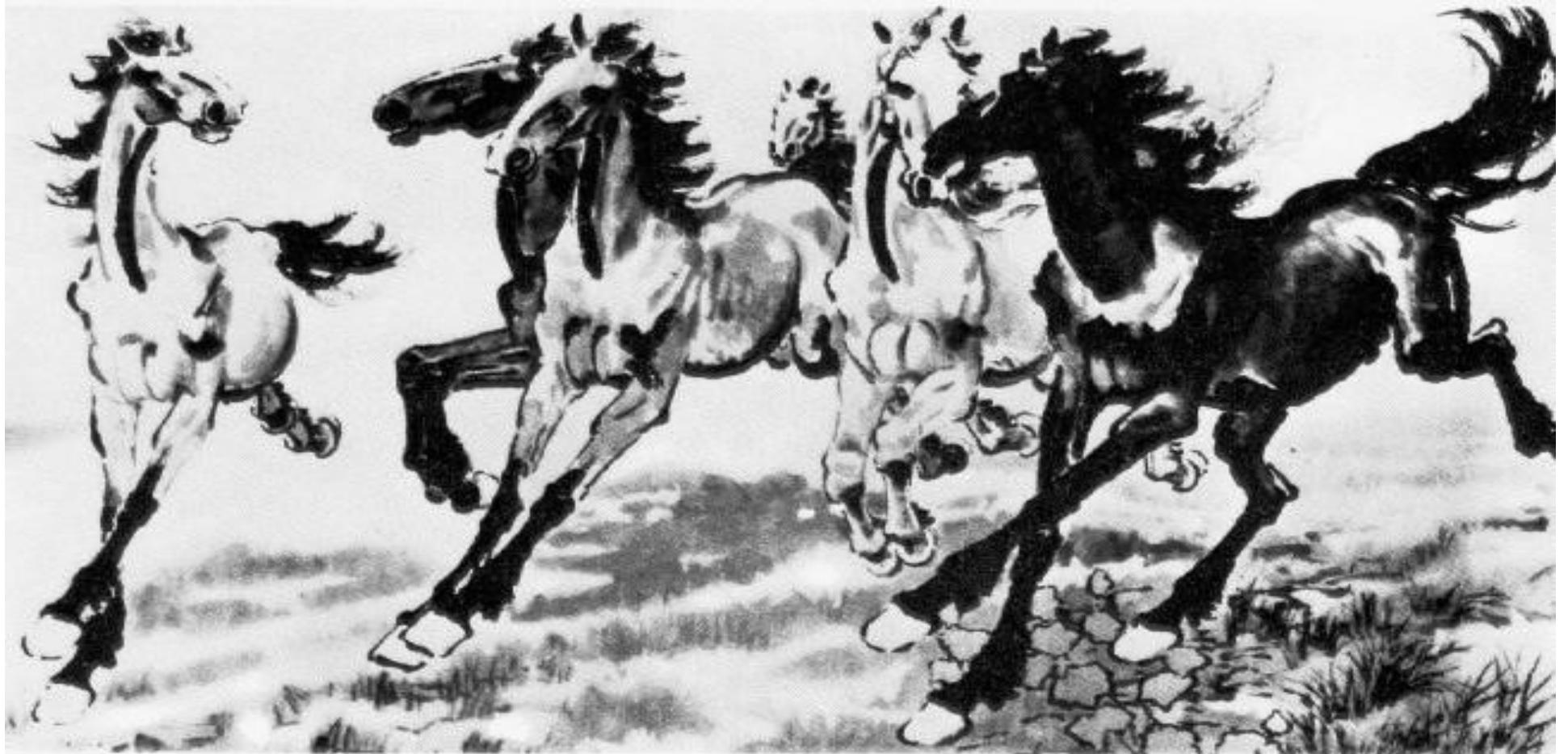
Challenges: scale



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Challenges: deformation

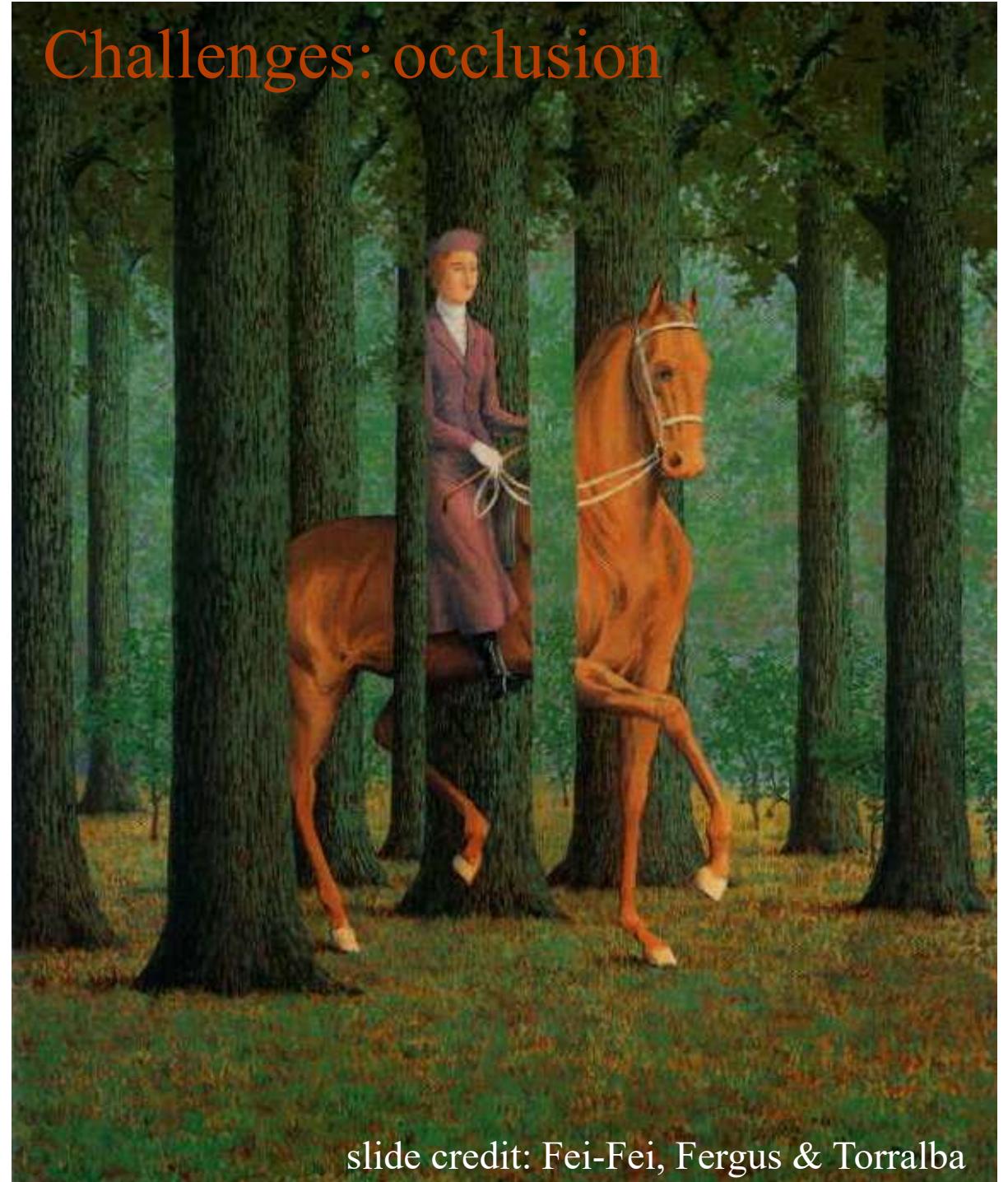


Xu, Beihong 1943

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Challenges: occlusion



Magritte, 1957

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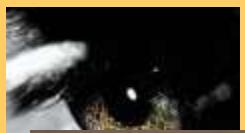
Challenges: background clutter



Emperor shrimp and commensal crab on a sea cucumber in Fiji
Photograph by Tim Laman

slide credit: Svetlana Lazebnik

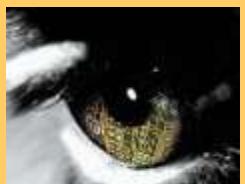




Challenges: Motion



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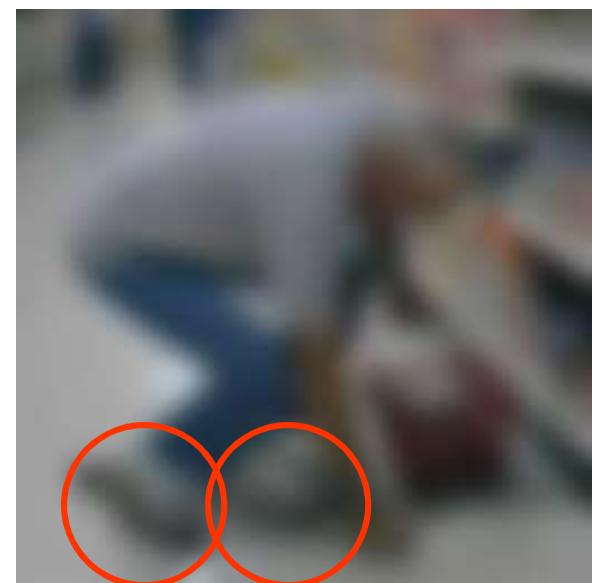
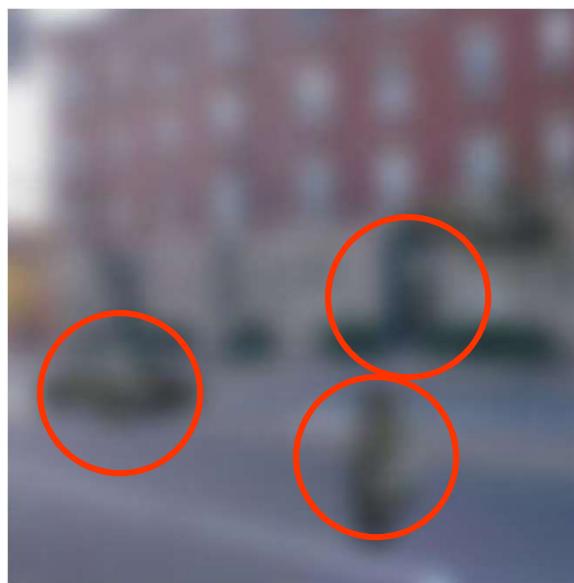
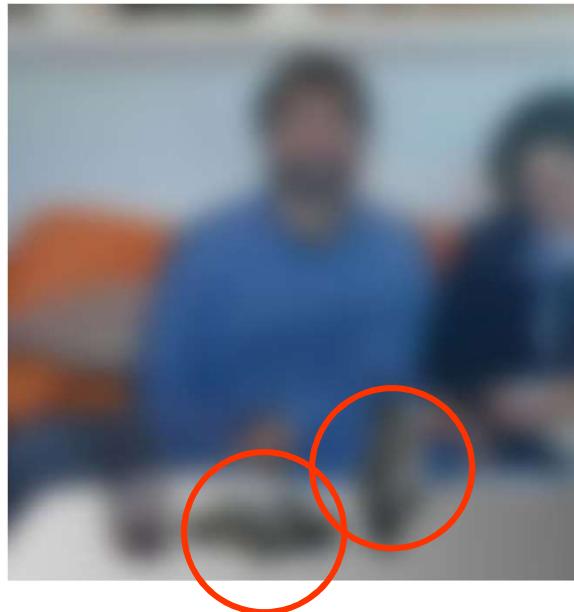
Challenges: object intra-class variation



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Challenges: local ambiguity



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Challenges or opportunities?

- Images are confusing, but they also reveal the structure of the world through numerous cues
- Our job is to interpret the cues!



Image source: J. Koenderink



Depth cues: Linear perspective





Depth cues: Aerial perspective



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Depth ordering cues: Occlusion



Source: J. Koenderink



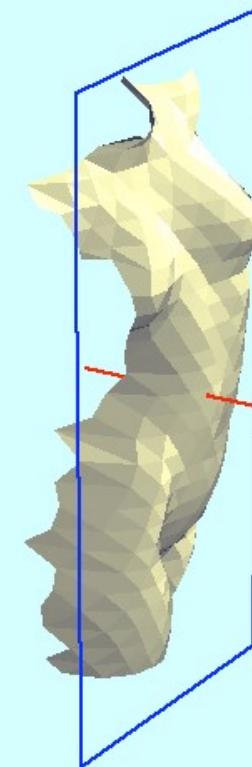
Shape cues: Texture gradient



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Shape and lighting cues: Shading



Source: J. Koenderink



Position and lighting cues: Cast shadows



Source: J. Koenderink



Grouping cues: Similarity (color, texture, proximity)



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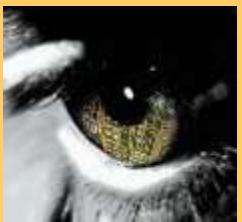
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Grouping cues: “Common fate”



Image credit: Arthus-Bertrand (via F. Durand)



Bottom line

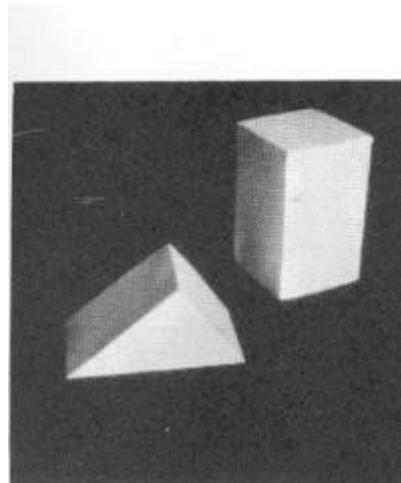
- Perception is an inherently ambiguous problem
 - Many different 3D scenes could have given rise to a particular 2D picture



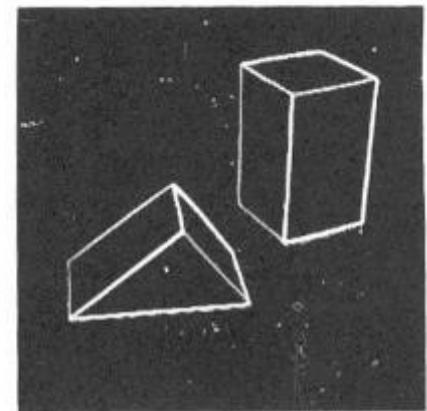
- Possible solutions
 - Bring in more constraints (more images)
 - Use prior knowledge about the structure of the world
- Need a combination of different methods



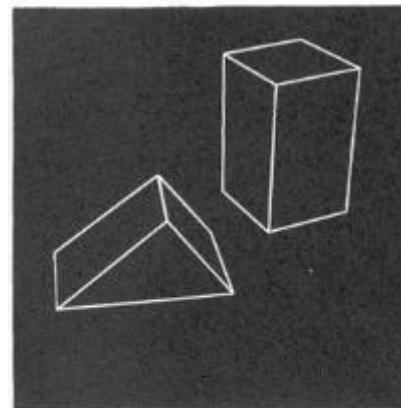
Origins of computer vision



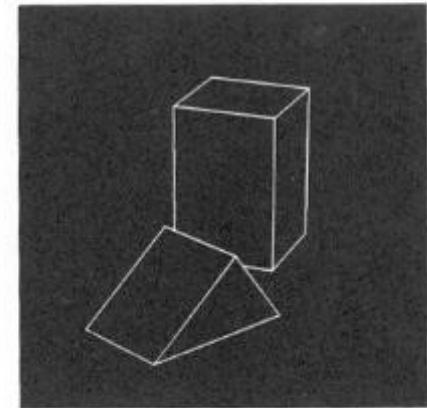
(a) Original picture.



(b) Differentiated picture.



(c) Line drawing.



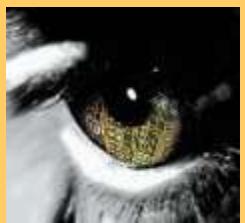
(d) Rotated view.

L. G. Roberts, *Machine Perception of Three Dimensional Solids*, Ph.D. thesis, MIT Department of Electrical Engineering, 1963.



Again, what is computer vision?

- Mathematics of geometry of image formation?
- Statistics of the natural world?
- Models for neuroscience?
- Engineering methods for matching images?
- Science Fiction?



Vision Demo?



Terminator 2



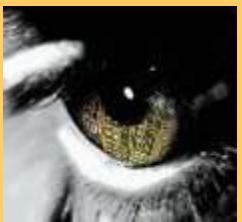
we're not quite there yet....



Every picture tells a story



Goal of computer vision is to write computer programs that can interpret images



Can computers match (or beat) human vision?



Yes and no (but mostly no!)

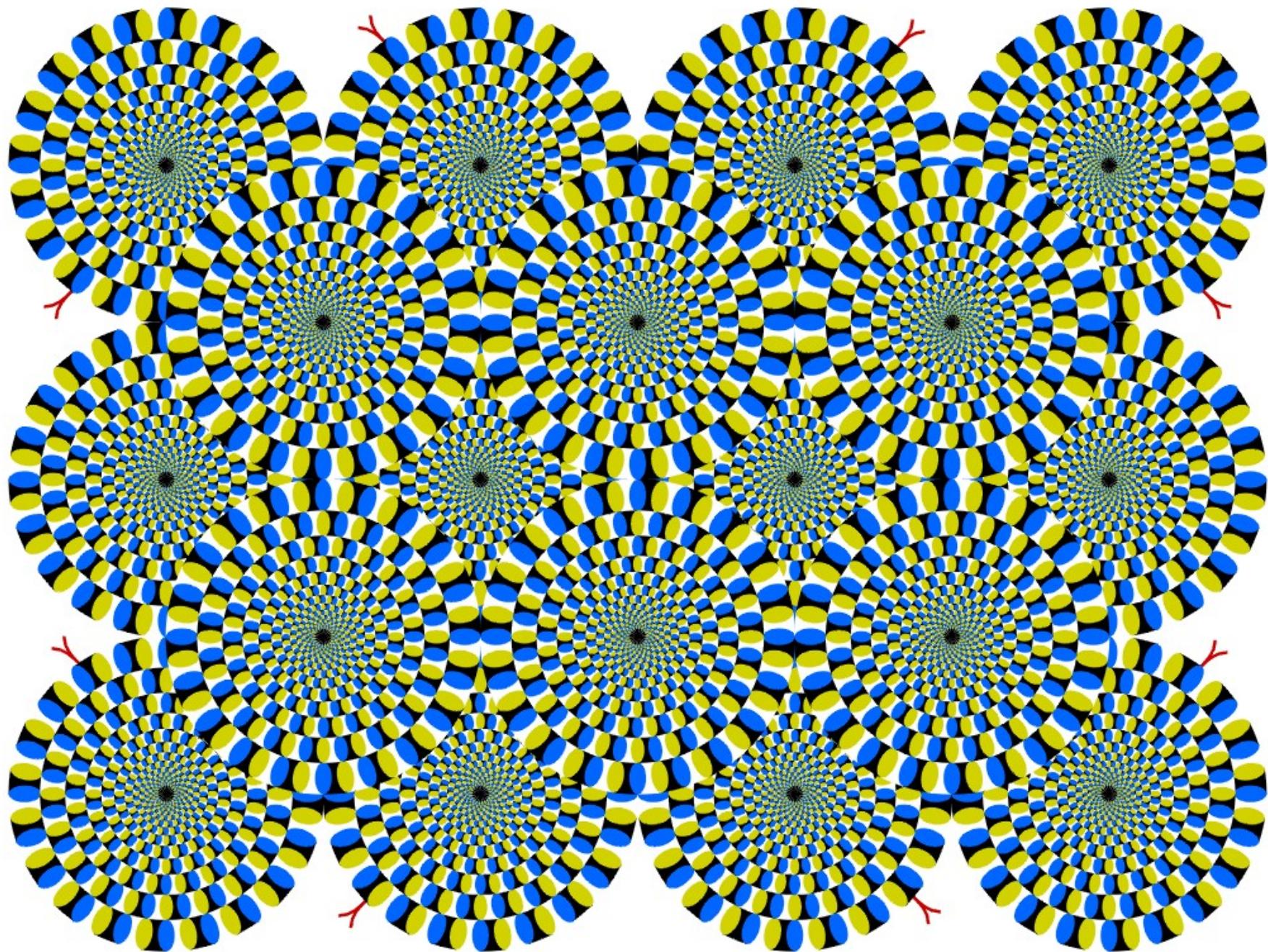
- humans are much better at “hard” things
- computers can be better at “easy” things



Human perception has its
shortcomings...



Sinha and Poggio, *Nature*, 1996



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Computer vision applications

- The next slides show some examples of what current vision systems can do



Earth viewers (3D modeling)



Example from: [Google Earth](#)



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*"What if your photo collection was an entry point into the world,
like a wormhole that you could jump through and explore..."*

Try it



[Try the Tech Preview](#)

The **Photosynth Technology Preview** is a taste of the newest - and, we hope, most exciting - way to **view photos** on a computer. Our software takes a large collection of photos of a place or an object, analyzes them for similarities, and then displays the photos in a reconstructed **three-dimensional space**, showing you how each one relates to the next.

<http://photosynth.net/>

Based on [Photo Tourism technology](#) developed
by Noah Snavely, Steve Seitz, and Rick Szeliski



PhotoSynth example

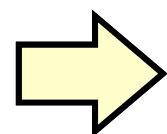




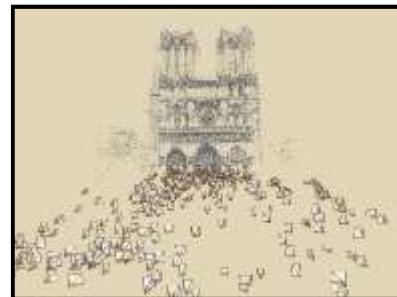
Photo Tourism overview



Input photographs



Scene
reconstruction



Relative camera positions
and orientations

Point cloud

Sparse correspondence

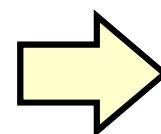


Photo Explorer

System for interactive browsing and exploring large collections of photos of a scene.
Computes viewpoint of each photo as well as a sparse 3d model of the scene.

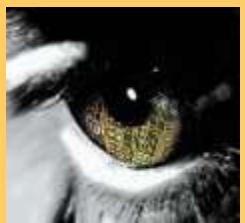


Photo Tourism overview

Photo Tourism Exploring photo collections in 3D

Noah Snavely Steven M. Seitz Richard Szeliski
University of Washington *Microsoft Research*

SIGGRAPH 2006



Urban 3D Reconstruction



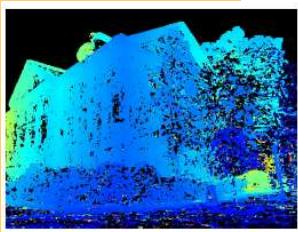


Joint 3D reconstruction and class segmentation

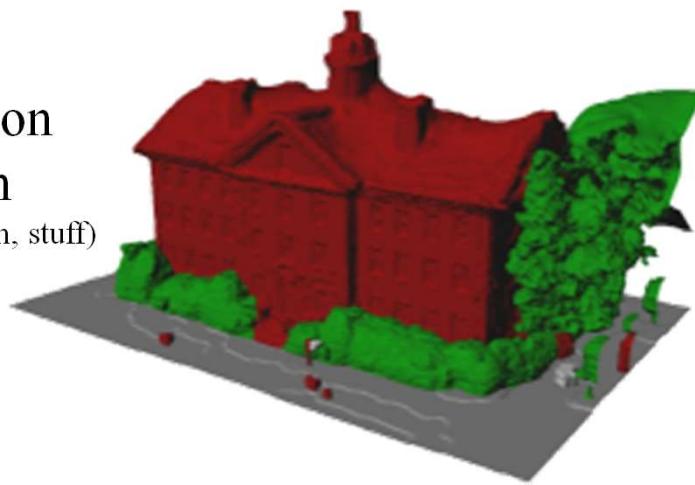
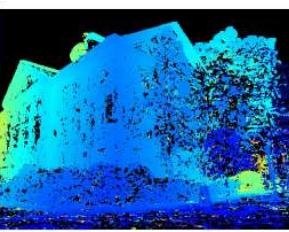
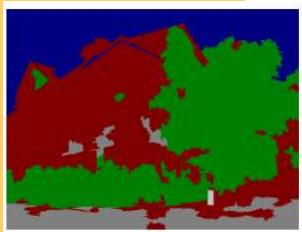
(Haene et al CVPR13)



reconstruction only
(uniform smoothness prior)



joint reconstruction
and segmentation
(ground, building, vegetation, stuff)

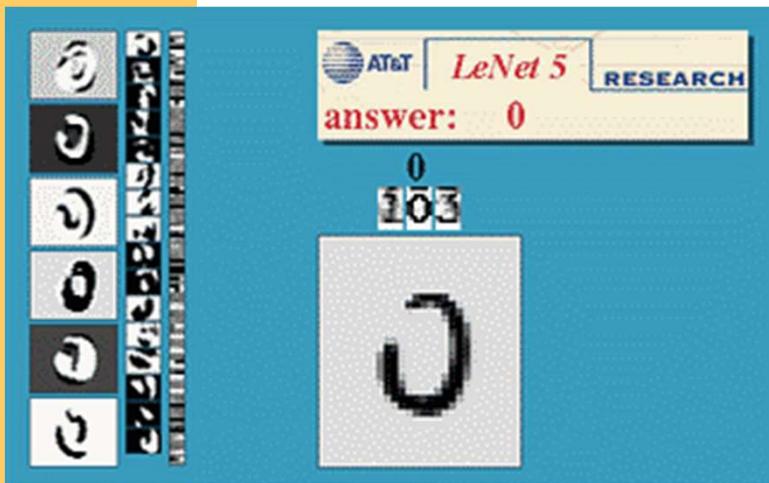




Optical character recognition (OCR)

Technology to convert scanned docs to text

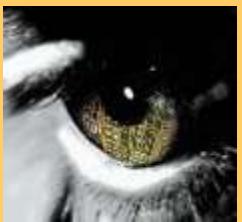
- If you have a scanner, it probably came with OCR software



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](#)



Face recognition

- E.g. Google photo





Category recognition



Jacky Alciné

@jackyalcine



+ Follow

Google Photos, y'all fucked up. My friend's not a gorilla.



Skyscrapers



Airplanes



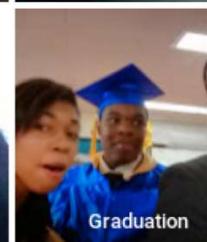
Cars



Bikes



Gorillas



Graduation

RETWEETS
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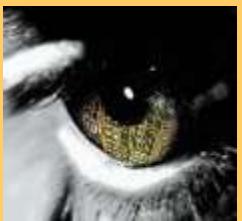
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... still very hard problem for computers



Object recognition (in supermarkets)



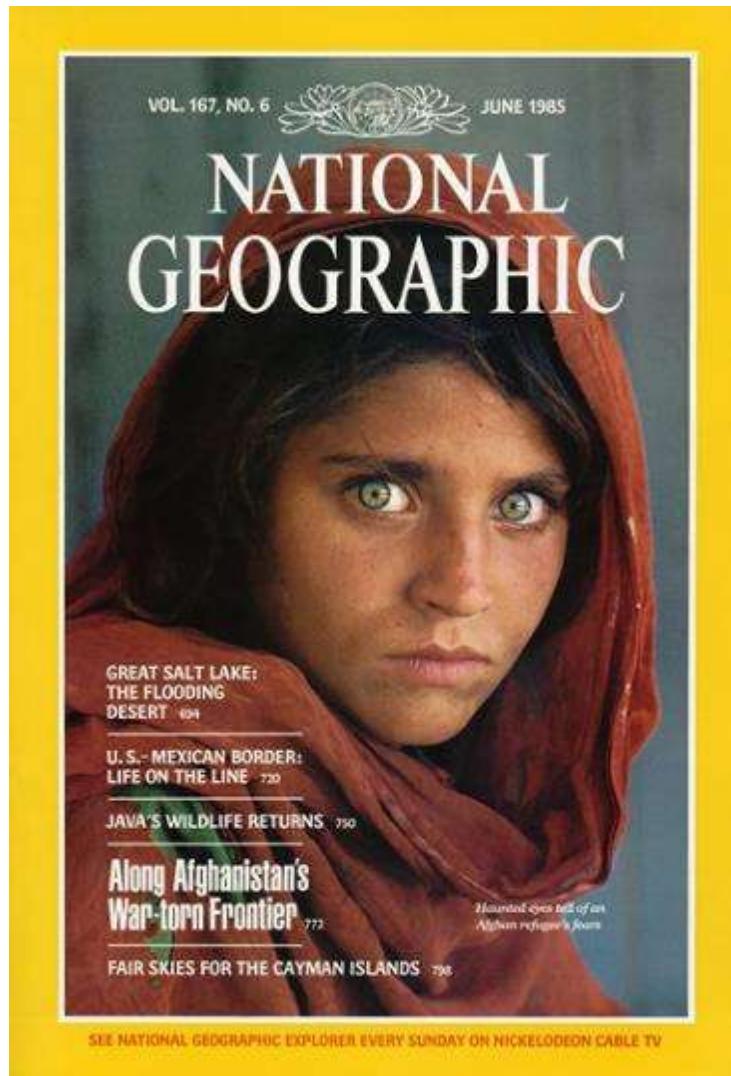
LaneHawk by EvolutionRobotics

“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...”

Amazon Go: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NrmMk1Myrxc>



Face recognition



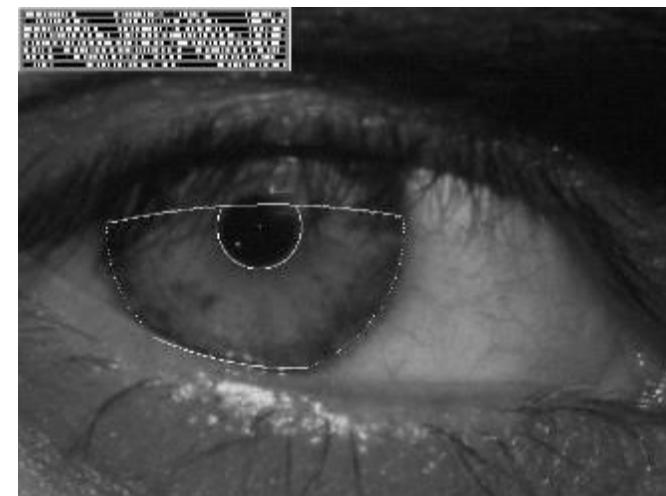
Who is she?



Vision-based biometrics



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





Login without a password...



Windows Hello

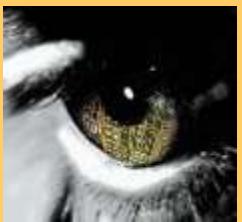
Color Image from
integrated Camera



IR Image from Microsoft
Reference Sensor



<https://www.groovypost.com/unplugged/can-you-trick-windows-hello-with-a-photo/>



OneVisage

start-up





Facial animation capture





Object recognition (in mobile phones)



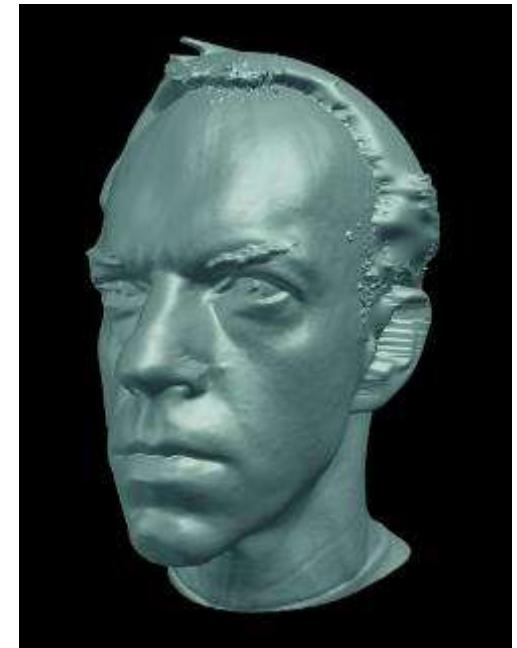
- This is becoming real:
 - Google Image search
 - [Point & Find](#), Nokia
 - [Kooaba](#) (ETH start-up, now Qualcomm)
 - [**snaptell**](#) (now Amazon)

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Images





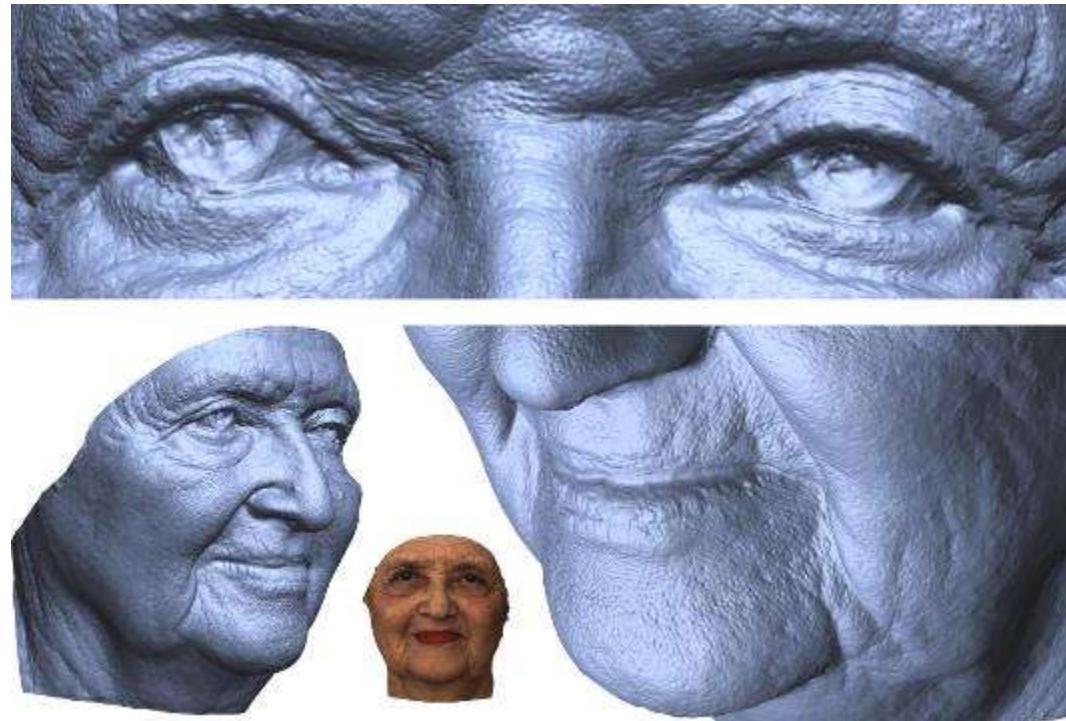
Special effects: shape capture



The Matrix movies, ESC Entertainment, XYZRGB, NRC



Special effects: shape capture



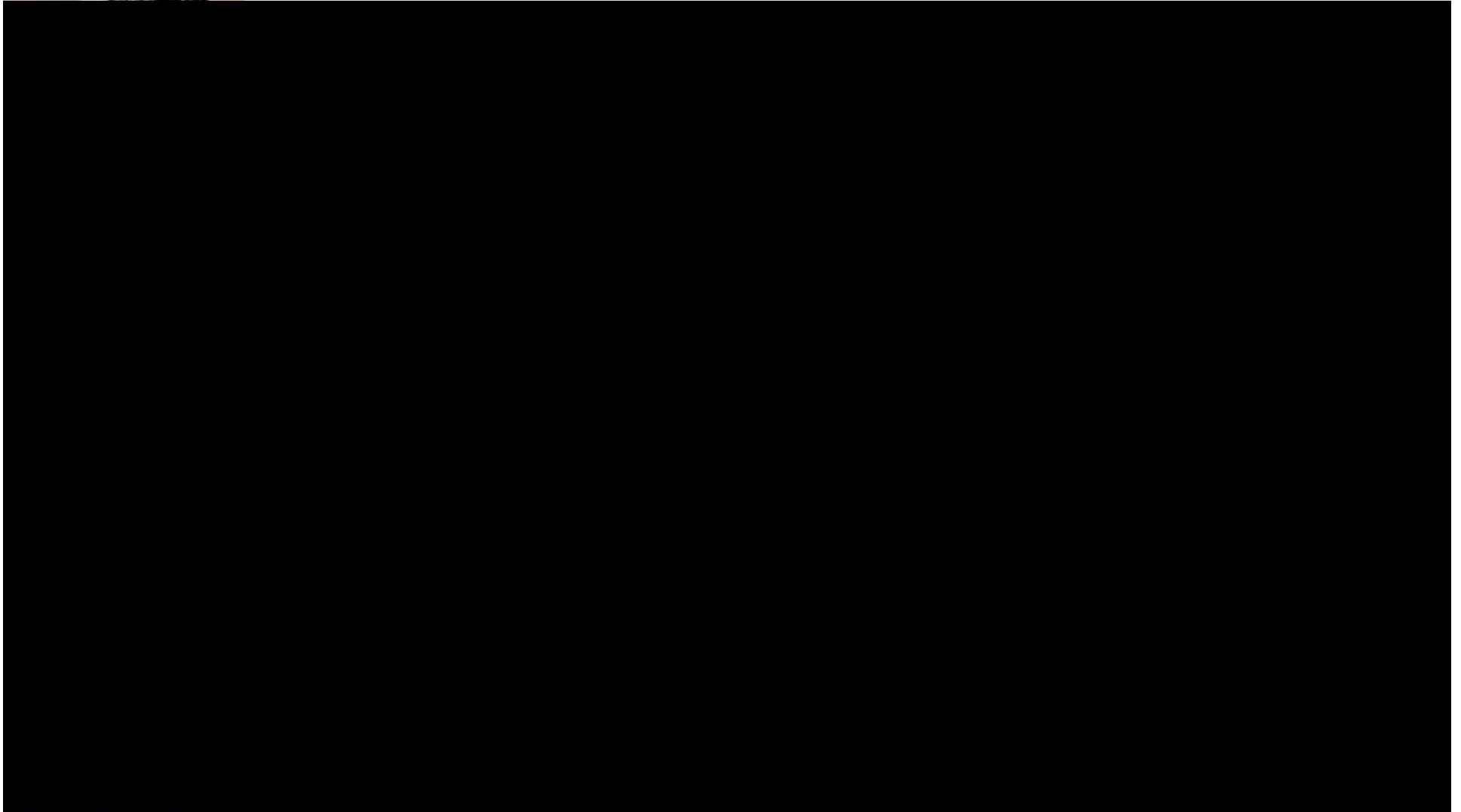
Disney Research
SCIENCE \approx PLAY



Special effects: motion capture



Pirates of the Caribbean, Industrial Light and Magic





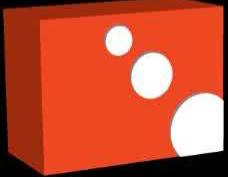
Sports

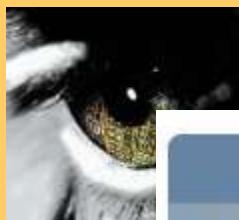


Sportvision first down line
Nice [explanation](#) on www.howstuffworks.com



LiberoVision / VizRT 

 DiscoverEye



Smart cars

►► manufacturer products consumer products ◀◀

Our Vision. Your Safety.

rear looking camera forward looking camera side looking camera

EyeQ Vision on a Chip

Road, Vehicle, Pedestrian Protection and more

Vision Applications

AWS Advance Warning System



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

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Events

Mobileye at Equip Auto, Paris, France

Mobileye at SEMA, Las Vegas, NV

> read more

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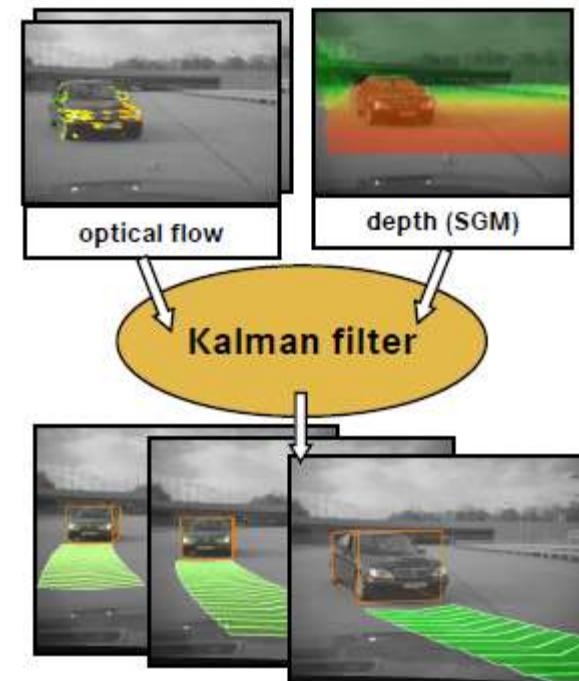
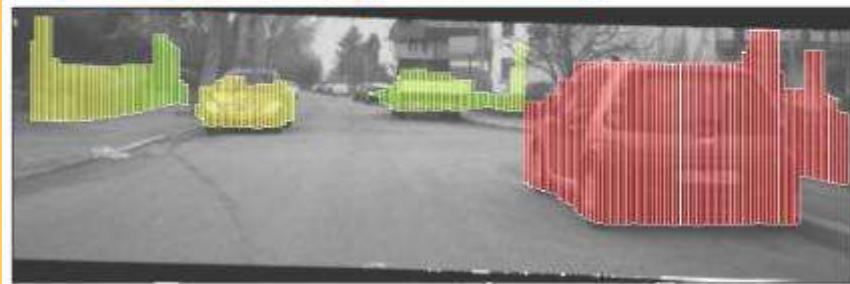
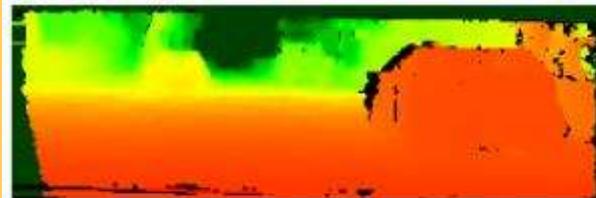
- Vision systems currently in high-end BMW, GM, Volvo models
- By 2010: 70% of car manufacturers.
- [Video demo](#)

Slide content courtesy of Amnon Shashua

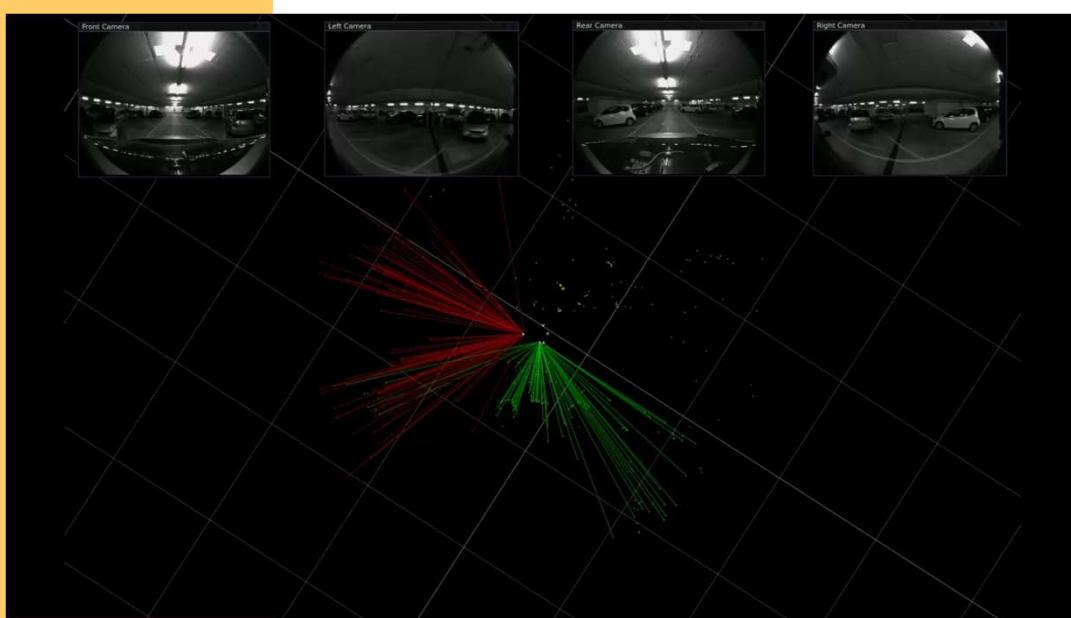


Driver Assistance

Daimler stereo system

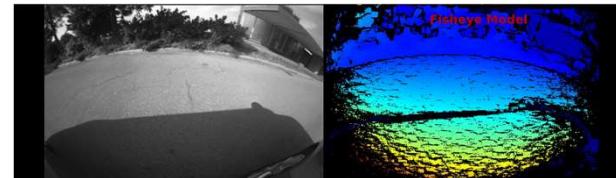




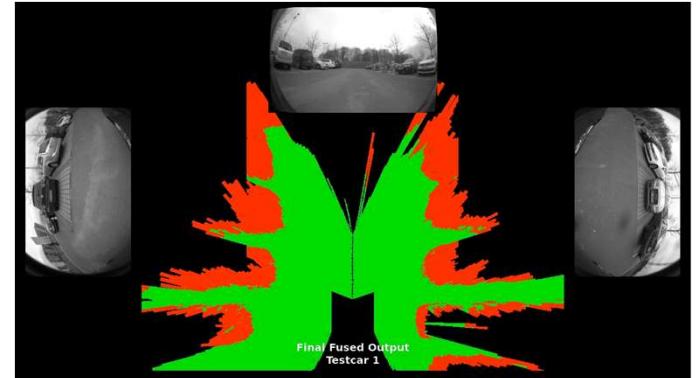
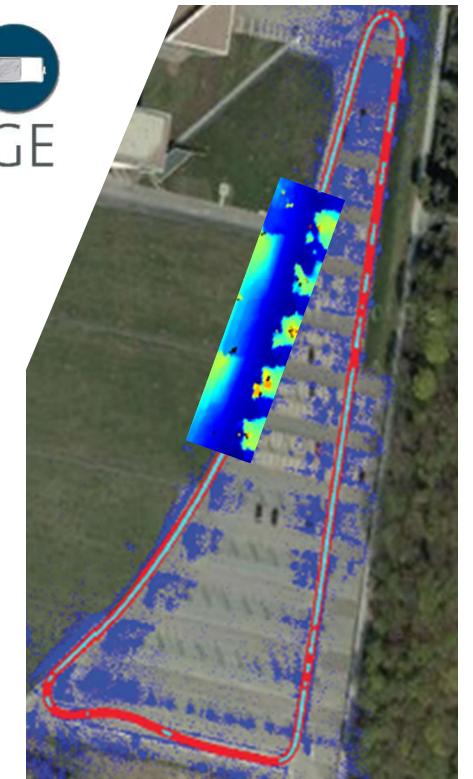


omnidirectional visual simultaneous localization and mapping

(Lee et al CVPR13;
Heng et al. ICRA14;
Haene et al...)

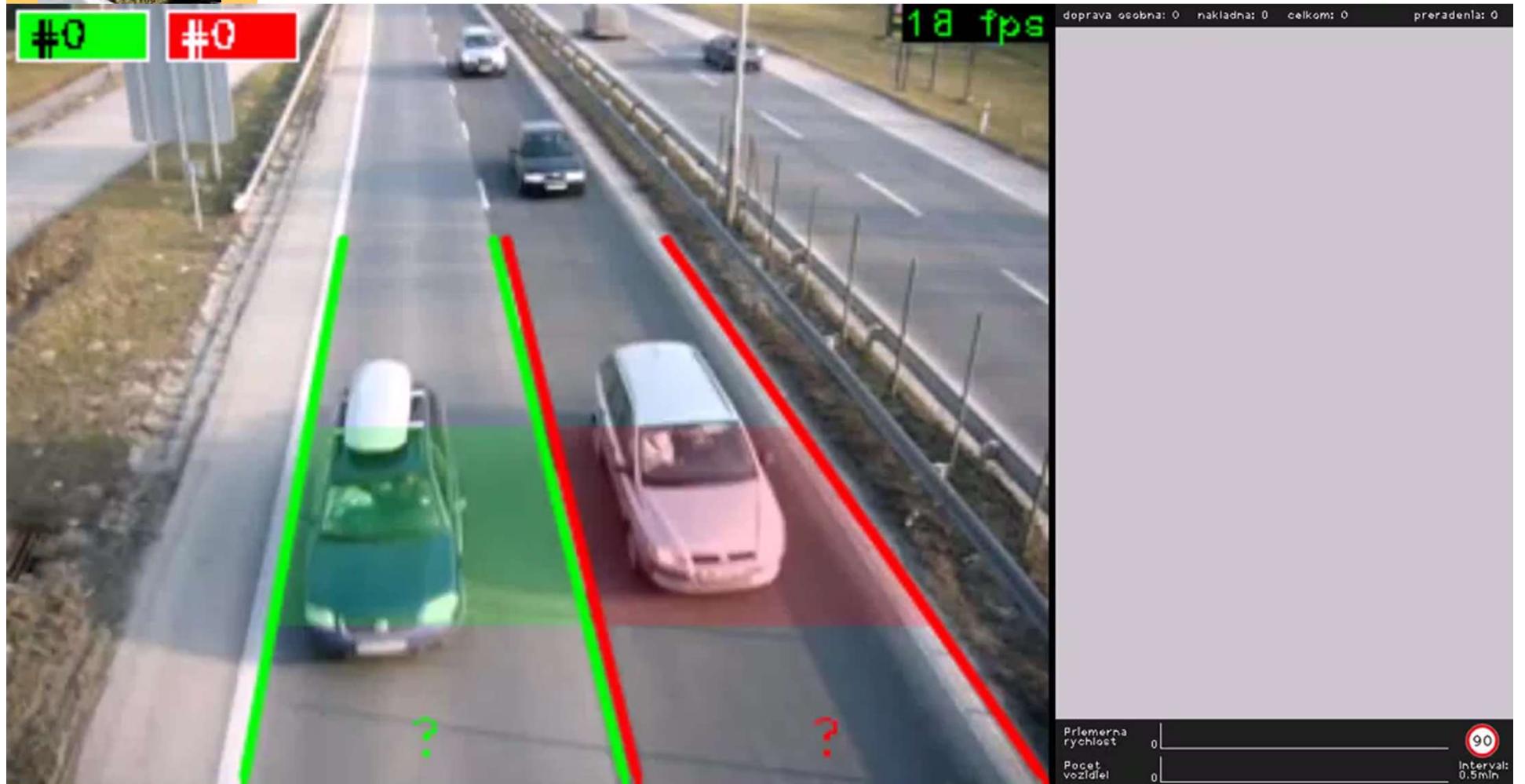


Dense real-time temporal fisheye stereo (GPU)

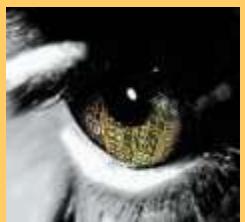


cameras as main sensors: *no lasers, no*

Traffic surveillance

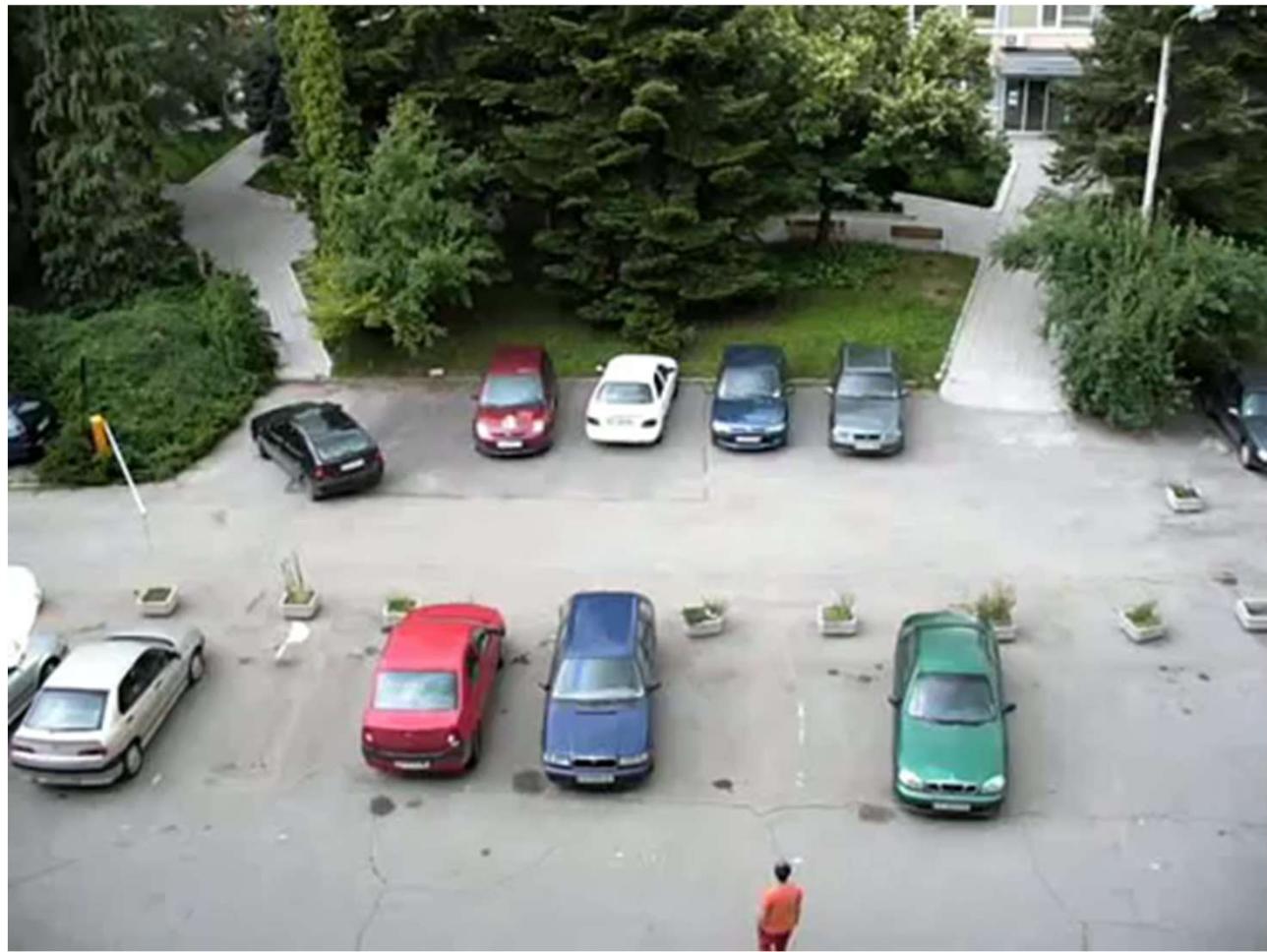


<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aV7sq81qFS4>



Video surveillance

Tracking people





Nintendo Wii has camera-based IR tracking built in. See [Lee's work at CMU](#) on clever tricks on using it to create a [multi-touch display!](#)

Vision-based interaction (and games)



[Digimask](#): put your face on a 3D avatar.



["Game turns moviegoers into Human Joysticks"](#), CNET
Camera tracking a crowd, based on [this work](#).



Vision-based interaction (and games)

MS project natal/Kinect



<http://www.xbox.com/en-US/kinect>



Bodytracking

Find and fix problems with Kinect.

Tracking

Check Kinect tracking if Kinect can't see you.

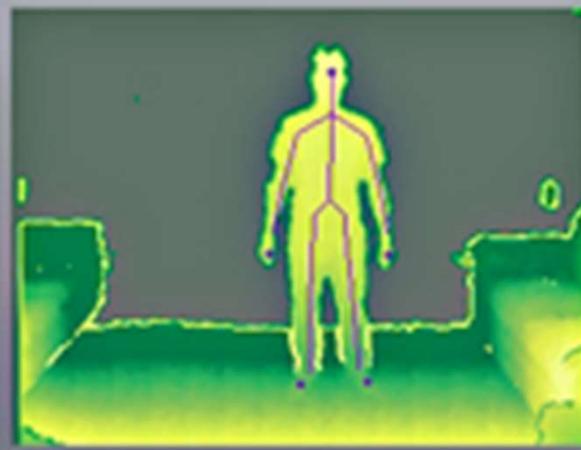
Audio

Check Kinect audio if Kinect can't hear you.

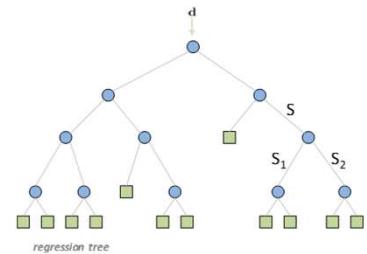
Calibration

Fine-tune Kinect to your play space.

Body tracking



Randomized forest
(Shotton et al.)

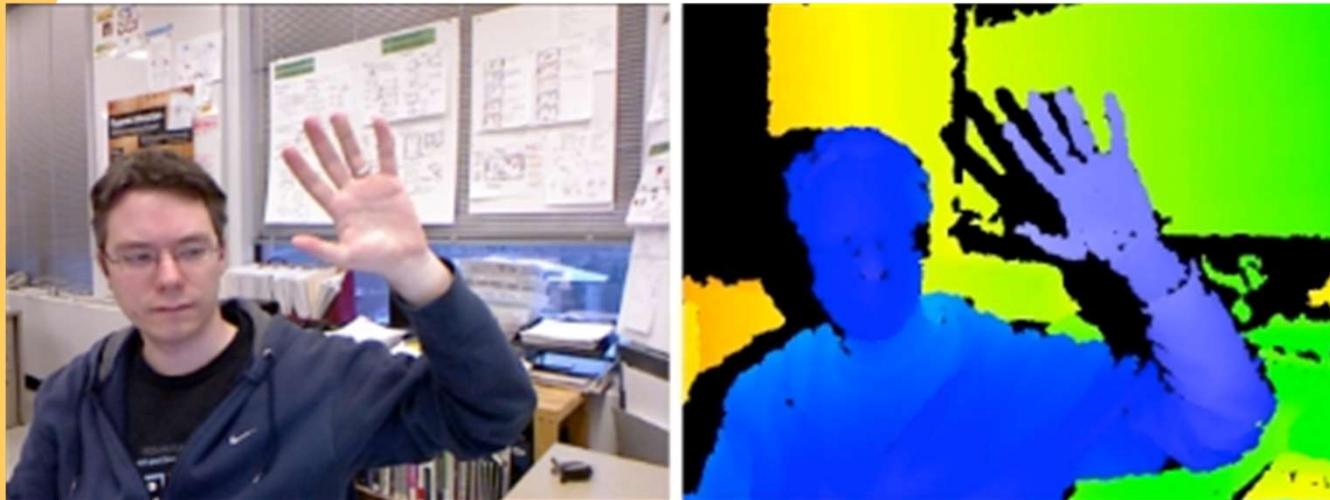


based on simple depth difference tests at each node





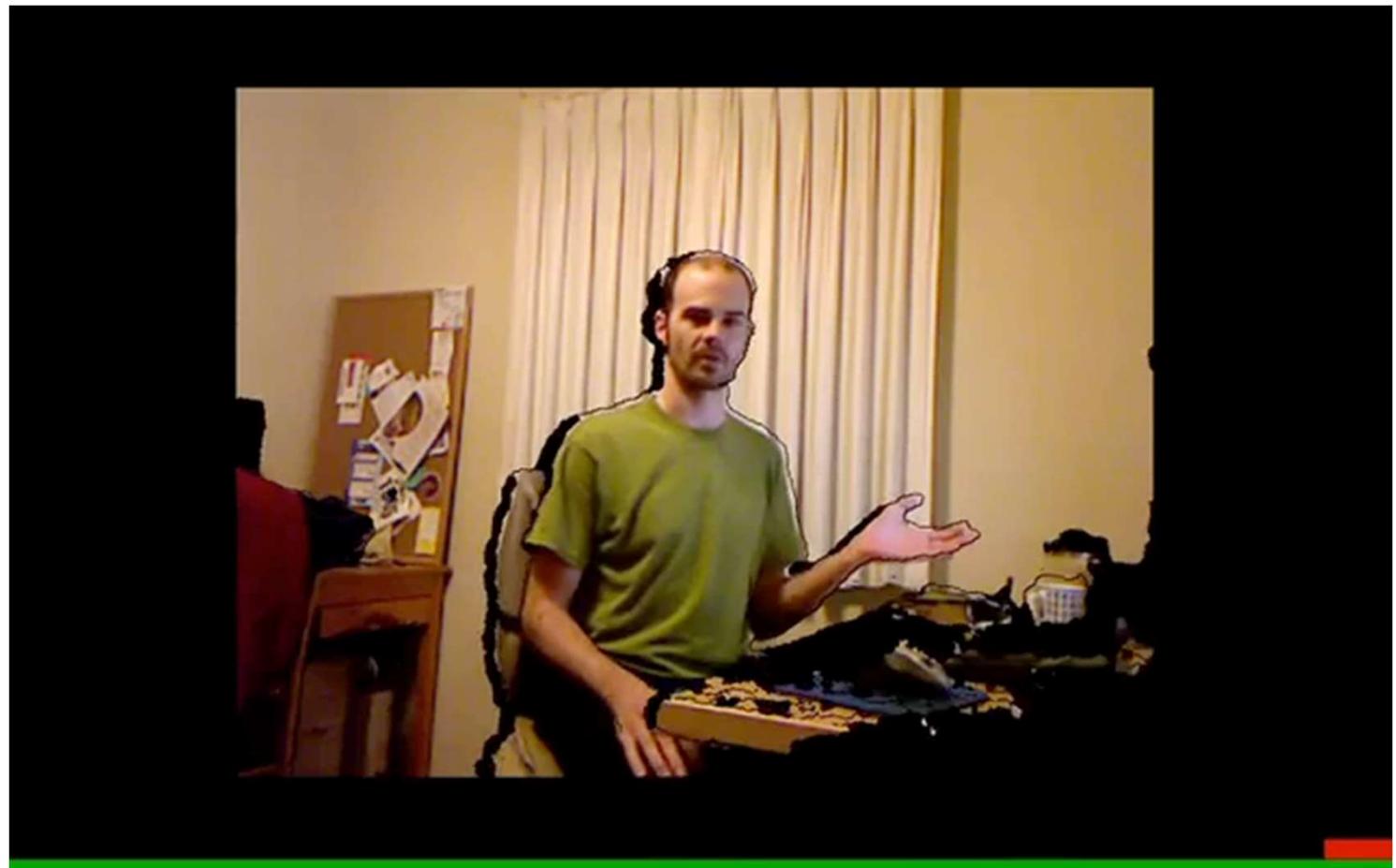
Raw Kinect output: Color + Depth = RGBD



<http://grouplab.cpsc.ucalgary.ca/cookbook/index.php/Technologies/Kinect>



3D Video with Kinect





SIGGRAPH Talks 2011

KinectFusion:

Real-Time Dynamic 3D Surface Reconstruction and Interaction

**Shahram Izadi 1, Richard Newcombe 2, David Kim 1,3, Otmar Hilliges 1,
David Molyneaux 1,4, Pushmeet Kohli 1, Jamie Shotton 1,
Steve Hodges 1, Dustin Freeman 5, Andrew Davison 2, Andrew Fitzgibbon 1**

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3 Newcastle University 4 Lancaster University

5 University of Toronto



Next Generation Depth Camera

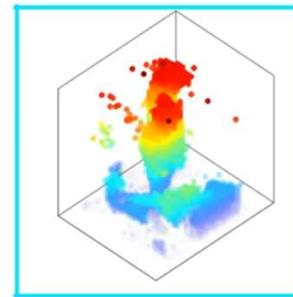
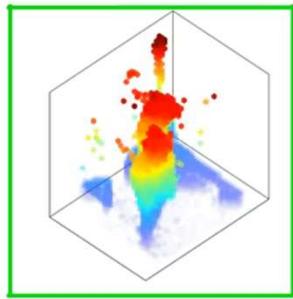
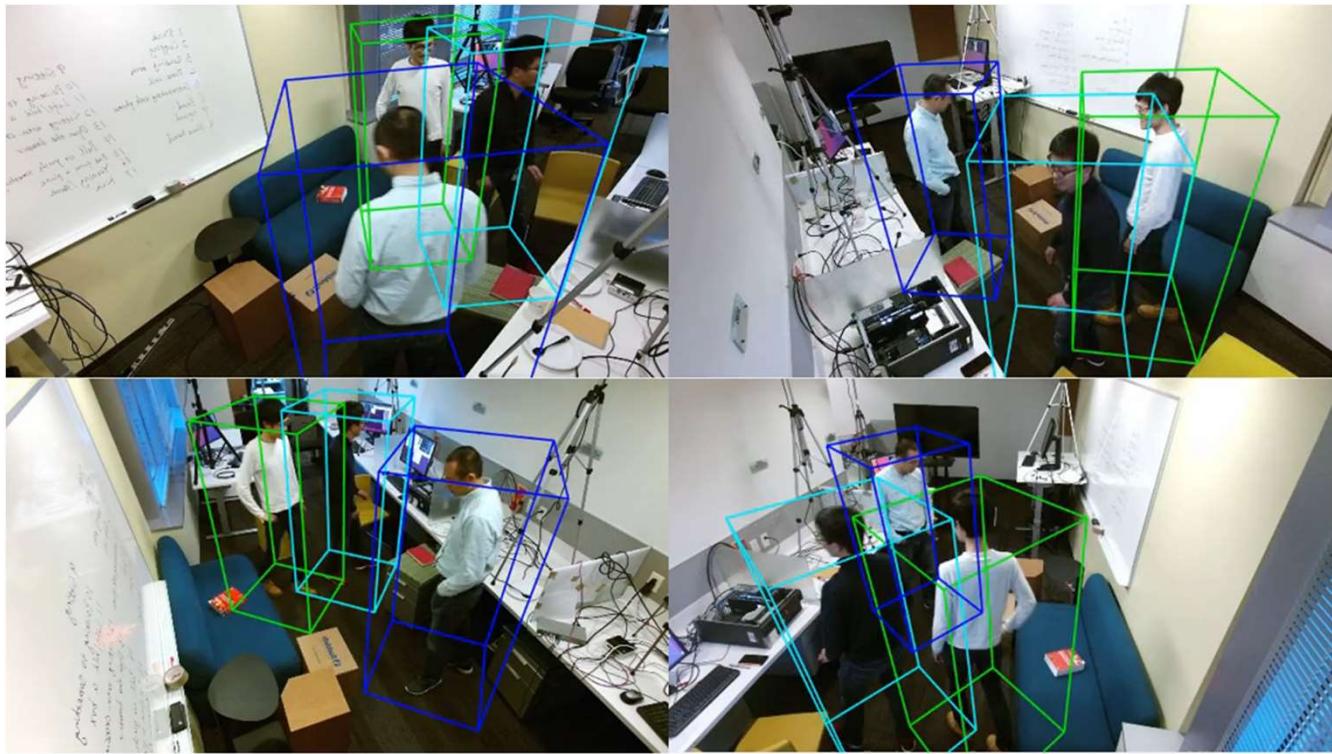
Microsoft depth-sensing

- HoloLens
- Project Kinect for Azure



<https://aka.ms/iwantkinect/>

depth, consumes less than 1 Watt





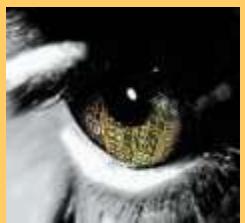
Vision in space



[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.



Robotics



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



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



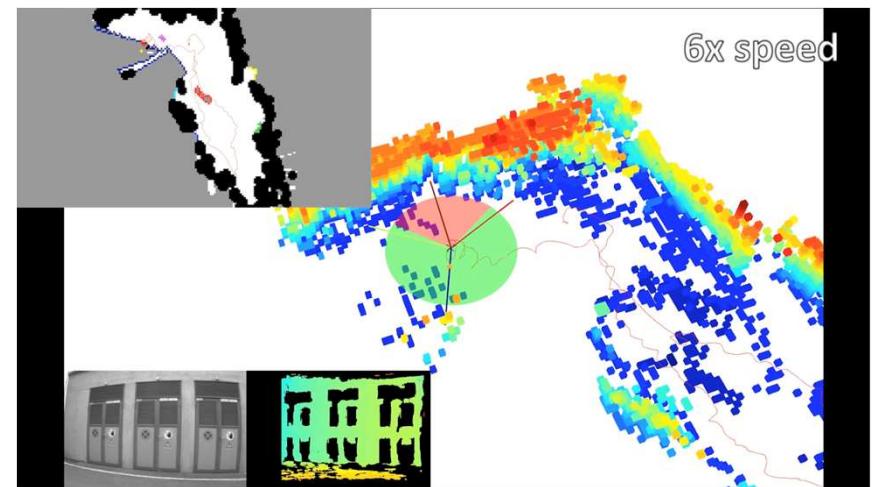
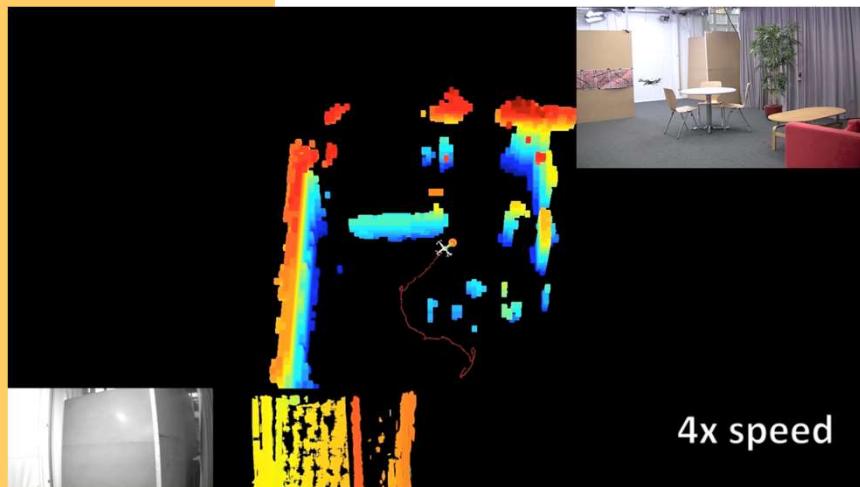
Full autonomous vision-based navigation and mapping

(Fraundorfer et al. IROS12 best paper finalist)

full on-board processing
2+1 cameras + IMU

indoor and outdoor operation
obstacle avoidance, mapping
and exploration

no laser, no GPS, no network



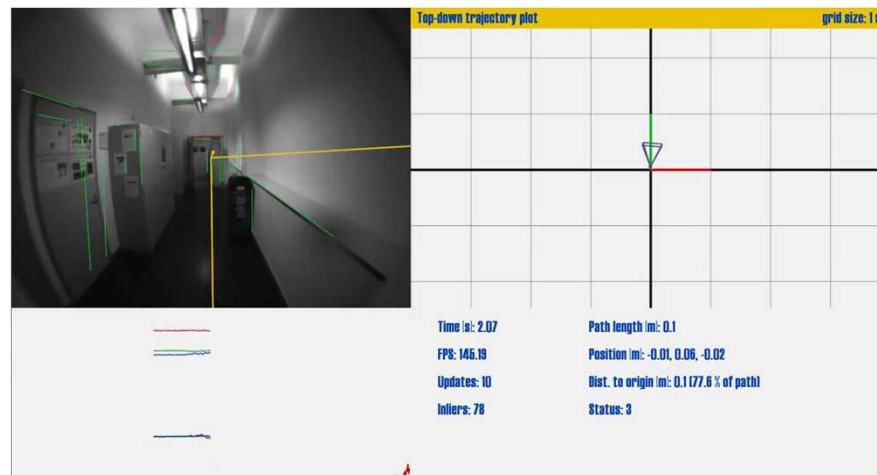




Project Tango

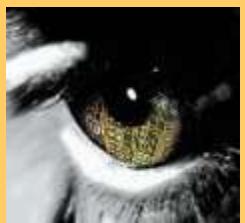


Research partner of Google's Project Tango



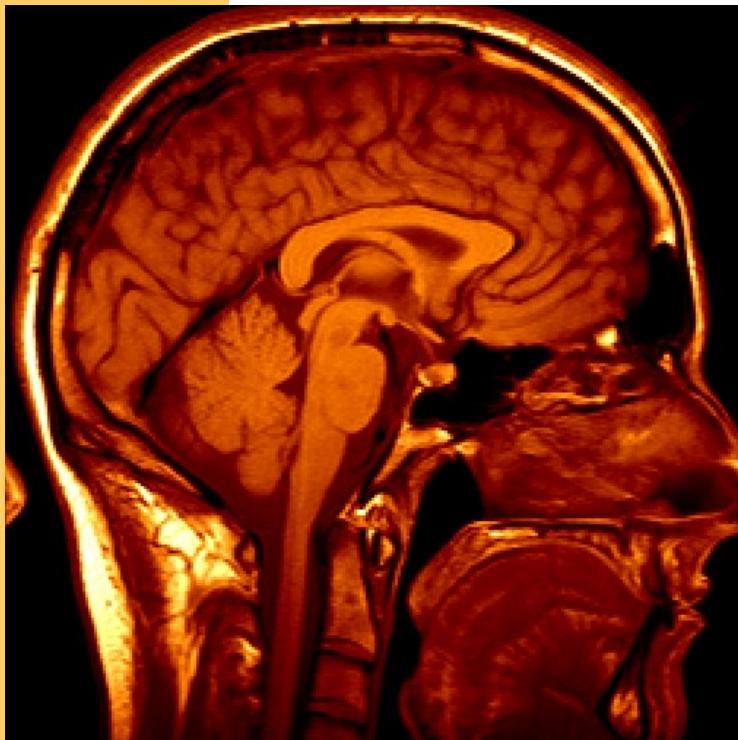
We present a system for 3D reconstruction of large-scale outdoor scenes based on monocular motion stereo.







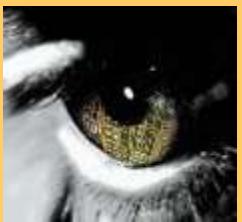
Medical imaging



3D imaging
MRI, CT



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

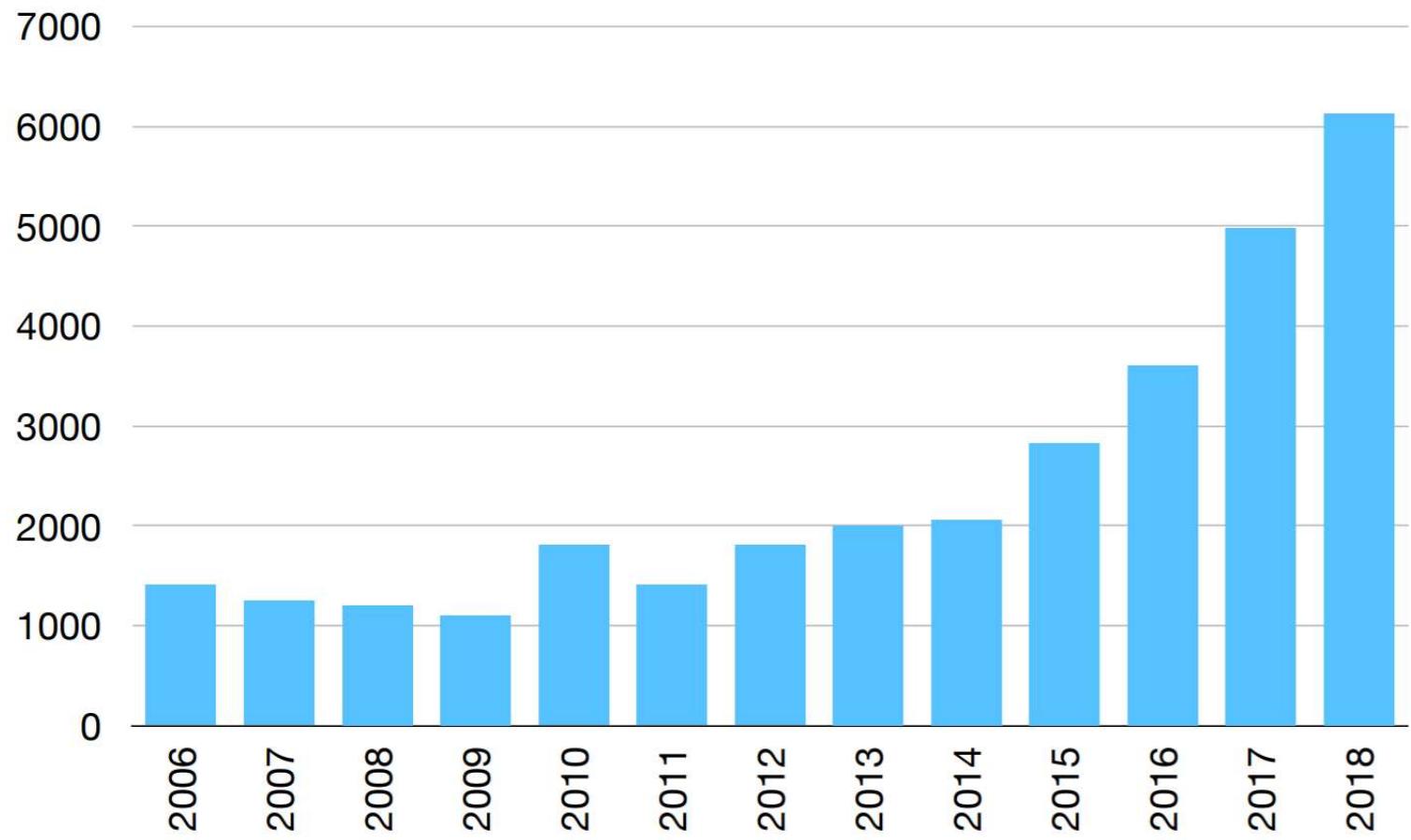


Current state of the art

- You just saw examples of current systems.
 - Many of these are less than 5 years old
- This is a very active research area, and rapidly changing
 - Many new apps in the next 5 years
- To learn more about vision applications and companies
 - David Lowe maintains an excellent overview of vision companies
 - <http://www.cs.ubc.ca/spider/lowe/vision.html>



CVPR Attendance





Schedule (tentative)

#	date	topic
1	Sep.19	Introduction and geometry
2	Sep.26	Camera models and calibration
3	Oct.3	Invariant features
4	Oct.10	Optical flow & Particle Filters
5	Oct.17	Model fitting (RANSAC, EM, ...)
6	Oct.24	Multiple-view geometry
7	Oct.31	Image segmentation
8	Nov.7	Stereo Matching & MVS
9	Nov.14	Structure-from-Motion & SLAM
10	Nov.21	Specific object recognition
11	Nov.28	Shape from X
12	Dec.5	Object category recognition
13	Dec.12	Tracking
14	Dec.19	Research Overview & Lab tours



Projective Geometry

points, lines, planes
conics and quadrics
transformations
camera model

Read tutorial chapter 2 and 3.1

<http://www.cs.unc.edu/~marc/tutorial/>

Szeliski's book pp.29-41



Homogeneous coordinates

Homogeneous representation of 2D points and lines

$$ax + by + c = 0 \quad (a, b, c)^\top (x, y, 1) = 0$$

The point x lies on the line l if and only if

$$l^\top x = 0$$

Note that scale is unimportant for incidence relation

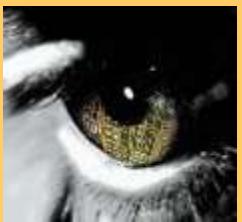
$$(a, b, c)^\top \sim k(a, b, c)^\top, \forall k \neq 0 \quad (x, y, 1)^\top \sim k(x, y, 1)^\top, \forall k \neq 0$$

equivalence class of vectors, any vector is representative

Set of all equivalence classes in $\mathbf{R}^3 - (0, 0, 0)^\top$ forms \mathbf{P}^2

Homogeneous coordinates $(x_1, x_2, x_3)^\top$ but only 2DOF

Inhomogeneous coordinates $(x, y)^\top$



Points from lines and vice-versa

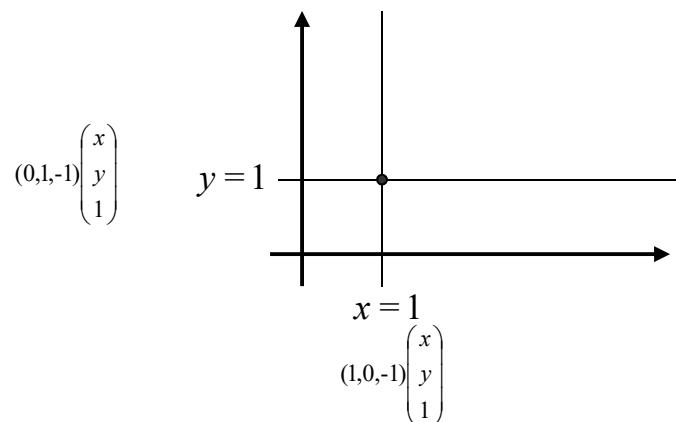
Intersections of lines

The intersection of two lines l and l' is $x = l \times l'$

Line joining two points

The line through two points x and x' is $l = x \times x'$

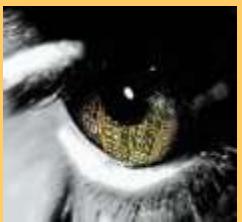
Example



Note:

$$x \times x' = [x]_x x'$$

$$\text{with } [x]_x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & z & -y \\ -z & 0 & x \\ y & -x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

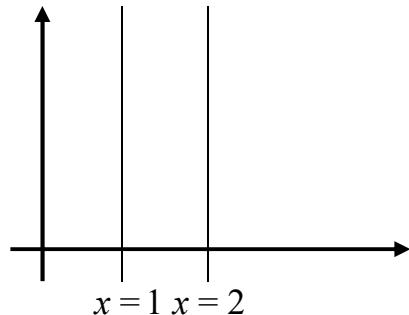


Ideal points and the line at infinity

Intersections of parallel lines

$$l = (a, b, c)^T \text{ and } l' = (a, b, c')^T \quad l \times l' = (b, -a, 0)^T$$

Example



$(b, -a)$ tangent vector
 (a, b) normal direction

Ideal points $(x_1, x_2, 0)^T$

Line at infinity $l_\infty = (0, 0, 1)^T$

$$\mathbf{P}^2 = \mathbf{R}^2 \cup l_\infty$$

Note that in \mathbf{P}^2 there is no distinction between ideal points and others



3D points and planes

Homogeneous representation of 3D points and planes

$$\pi_1 X_1 + \pi_2 X_2 + \pi_3 X_3 + \pi_4 X_4 = 0$$

The point X lies on the plane π if and only if

$$\pi^T X = 0$$

The plane π goes through the point X if and only if

$$\pi^T X = 0$$



Planes from points

Solve π from $X_1^\top \pi = 0$, $X_2^\top \pi = 0$ and $X_3^\top \pi = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1^\top \\ X_2^\top \\ X_3^\top \end{bmatrix} \pi = 0 \quad (\text{solve } \pi \text{ as right nullspace of } \begin{bmatrix} X_1^\top \\ X_2^\top \\ X_3^\top \end{bmatrix})$$



Points from planes

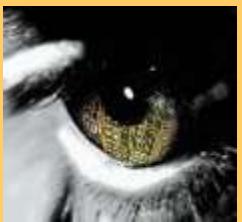
Solve X from $\pi_1^T X = 0$, $\pi_2^T X = 0$ and $\pi_3^T X = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \pi_1^T \\ \pi_2^T \\ \pi_3^T \end{bmatrix} X = 0 \quad (\text{solve } X \text{ as right nullspace of } \begin{bmatrix} \pi_1^T \\ \pi_2^T \\ \pi_3^T \end{bmatrix})$$

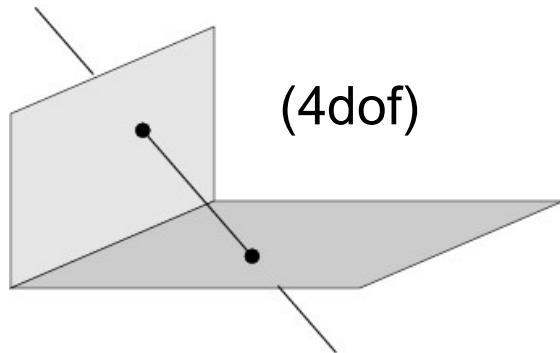
Representing a plane by its span

$$X = \mathbf{M} x \quad \mathbf{M} = [X_1 \ X_2 \ X_3]$$

$$\pi^T \mathbf{M} = 0$$



Lines



Representing a line by its span

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} A^T \\ B^T \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda A + \mu B$$

Dual representation

$$W^* = \begin{bmatrix} P^T \\ Q^T \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda P + \mu Q$$

$$W^* W^T = W W^{*T} = 0_{2 \times 2}$$

Example: *X*-axis

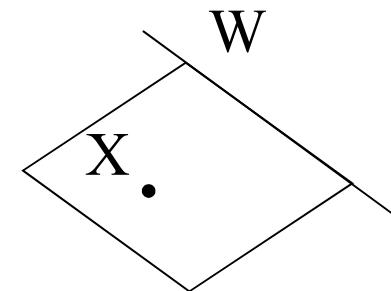
$$W = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad W^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Alternative: Plücker representation, details see e.g. H&Z)

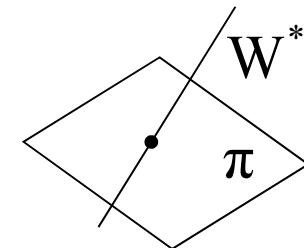


Points, lines and planes

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{W} \\ \mathbf{X}^\top \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{M} \boldsymbol{\pi} = 0$$



$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{W}^* \\ \boldsymbol{\pi}^\top \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{M} \mathbf{X} = 0$$





Conics

Curve described by 2nd-degree equation in the plane

$$ax^2 + bxy + cy^2 + dx + ey + f = 0$$

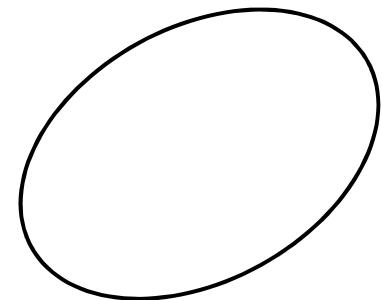
or *homogenized* $x \mapsto \frac{x_1}{x_3}, y \mapsto \frac{x_2}{x_3}$

$$ax_1^2 + bx_1x_2 + cx_2^2 + dx_1x_3 + ex_2x_3 + fx_3^2 = 0$$

or in matrix form

$$\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{C} \mathbf{x} = 0 \text{ with } \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b/2 & d/2 \\ b/2 & c & e/2 \\ d/2 & e/2 & f \end{bmatrix}$$

5DOF: $\{a:b:c:d:e:f\}$





Five points define a conic

For each point the conic passes through

$$ax_i^2 + bx_iy_i + cy_i^2 + dx_i + ey_i + f = 0$$

or

$$(x_i^2, x_iy_i, y_i^2, x_i, y_i, 1) \cdot \mathbf{c} = 0 \quad \mathbf{c} = (a, b, c, d, e, f)^T$$

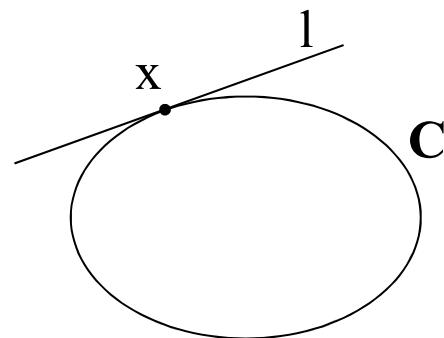
stacking constraints yields

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 & x_1y_1 & y_1^2 & x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2^2 & x_2y_2 & y_2^2 & x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3^2 & x_3y_3 & y_3^2 & x_3 & y_3 & 1 \\ x_4^2 & x_4y_4 & y_4^2 & x_4 & y_4 & 1 \\ x_5^2 & x_5y_5 & y_5^2 & x_5 & y_5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} = 0$$



Tangent lines to conics

The line l tangent to C at point x on C is given by $l=Cx$



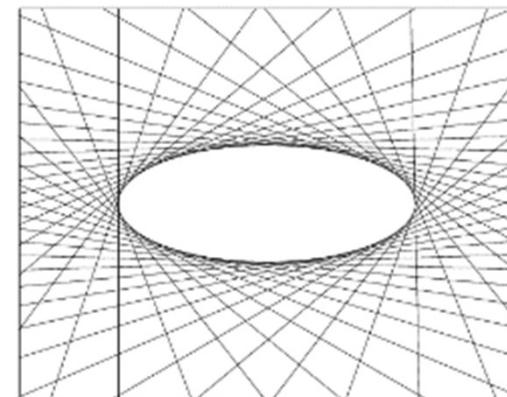
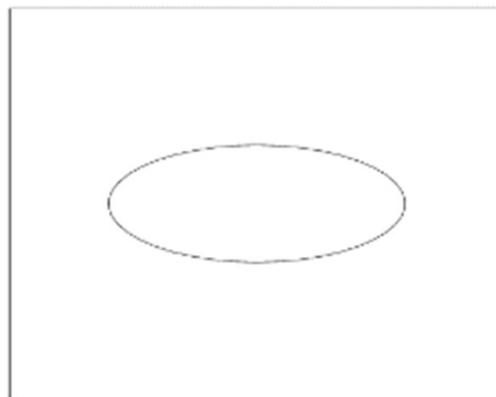


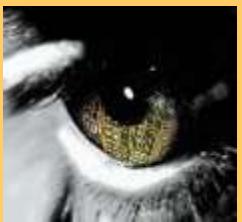
Dual conics

A line tangent to the conic \mathbf{C} satisfies $\mathbf{l}^T \mathbf{C}^* \mathbf{l} = 0$

In general (\mathbf{C} full rank): $\mathbf{C}^* = \mathbf{C}^{-1}$

Dual conics = line conics = conic envelopes

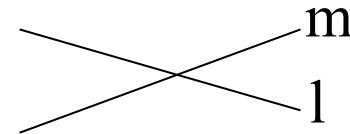




Degenerate conics

A conic is degenerate if matrix \mathbf{C} is not of full rank

e.g. two lines (rank 2)



$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{l}\mathbf{m}^T + \mathbf{m}\mathbf{l}^T$$

e.g. repeated line (rank 1)

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{l}\mathbf{l}^T$$



Degenerate line conics: 2 points (rank 2), double point (rank1)

Note that for degenerate conics $(\mathbf{C}^*)^* \neq \mathbf{C}$



Quadrics and dual quadrics

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{X} = 0 \quad (\mathbf{Q} : 4 \times 4 \text{ symmetric matrix})$$

- 9 d.o.f.
- in general 9 points define quadric
- $\det \mathbf{Q}=0 \leftrightarrow$ degenerate quadric
- tangent plane $\pi = \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{X}$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \circ & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \circ & \circ & \bullet & \bullet \\ \circ & \circ & \circ & \bullet \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\pi^T \mathbf{Q}^* \pi = 0$$

- relation to quadric $\mathbf{Q}^* = \mathbf{Q}^{-1}$ (non-degenerate)



2D projective transformations

Definition:

A *projectivity* is an invertible mapping h from P^2 to itself such that three points x_1, x_2, x_3 lie on the same line if and only if $h(x_1), h(x_2), h(x_3)$ do.

Theorem:

A mapping $h: P^2 \rightarrow P^2$ is a projectivity if and only if there exist a non-singular 3×3 matrix \mathbf{H} such that for any point in P^2 represented by a vector x it is true that $h(x) = \mathbf{H}x$

Definition: Projective transformation

$$\begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x}$$

8DOF

projectivity=collineation=projective transformation=homography



Transformation of 2D points, lines and conics

For a point transformation

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x}$$

Transformation for lines

$$\mathbf{l}' = \mathbf{H}^{-T} \mathbf{l}$$

Transformation for conics

$$\mathbf{C}' = \mathbf{H}^{-T} \mathbf{C} \mathbf{H}^{-1}$$

Transformation for dual conics

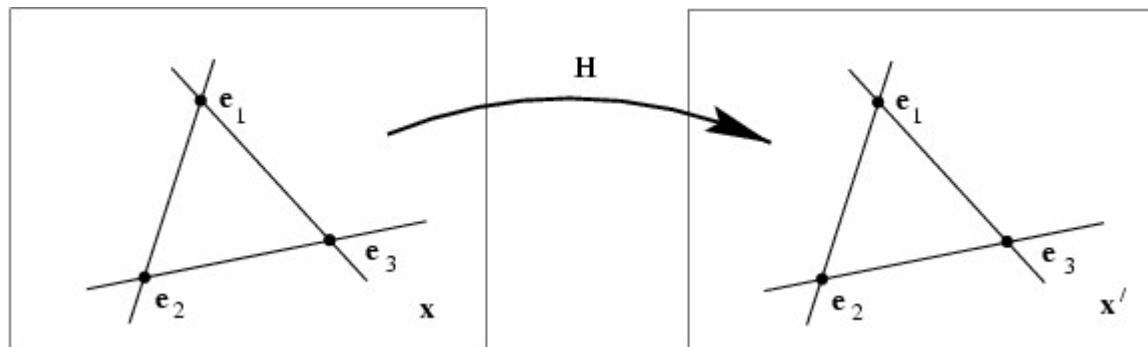
$$\mathbf{C}'^* = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{C}^* \mathbf{H}^T$$

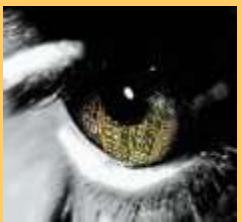


Fixed points and lines

$\mathbf{H} \mathbf{e} = \lambda \mathbf{e}$ (eigenvectors \mathbf{H} =fixed points)
 $(\lambda_1=\lambda_2 \Rightarrow$ pointwise fixed line)

$\mathbf{H}^{-T} \mathbf{l} = \lambda \mathbf{l}$ (eigenvectors \mathbf{H}^{-T} =fixed lines)

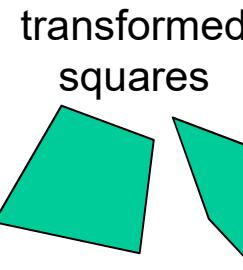




Hierarchy of 2D transformations

Projective
8dof

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

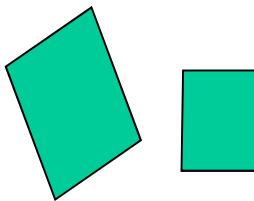


invariants

Concurrency, collinearity, order of contact (intersection, tangency, inflection, etc.), cross ratio

Affine
6dof

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & t_x \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

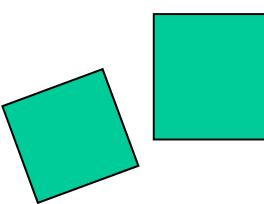


Parallelism, ratio of areas, ratio of lengths on parallel lines (e.g midpoints), linear combinations of vectors (centroids).

The line at infinity I_∞

Similarity
4dof

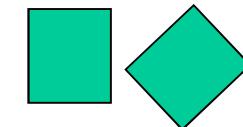
$$\begin{bmatrix} sr_{11} & sr_{12} & t_x \\ sr_{21} & sr_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Ratios of lengths, angles.
The circular points I, J

Euclidean
3dof

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & t_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



lengths, areas.



The line at infinity

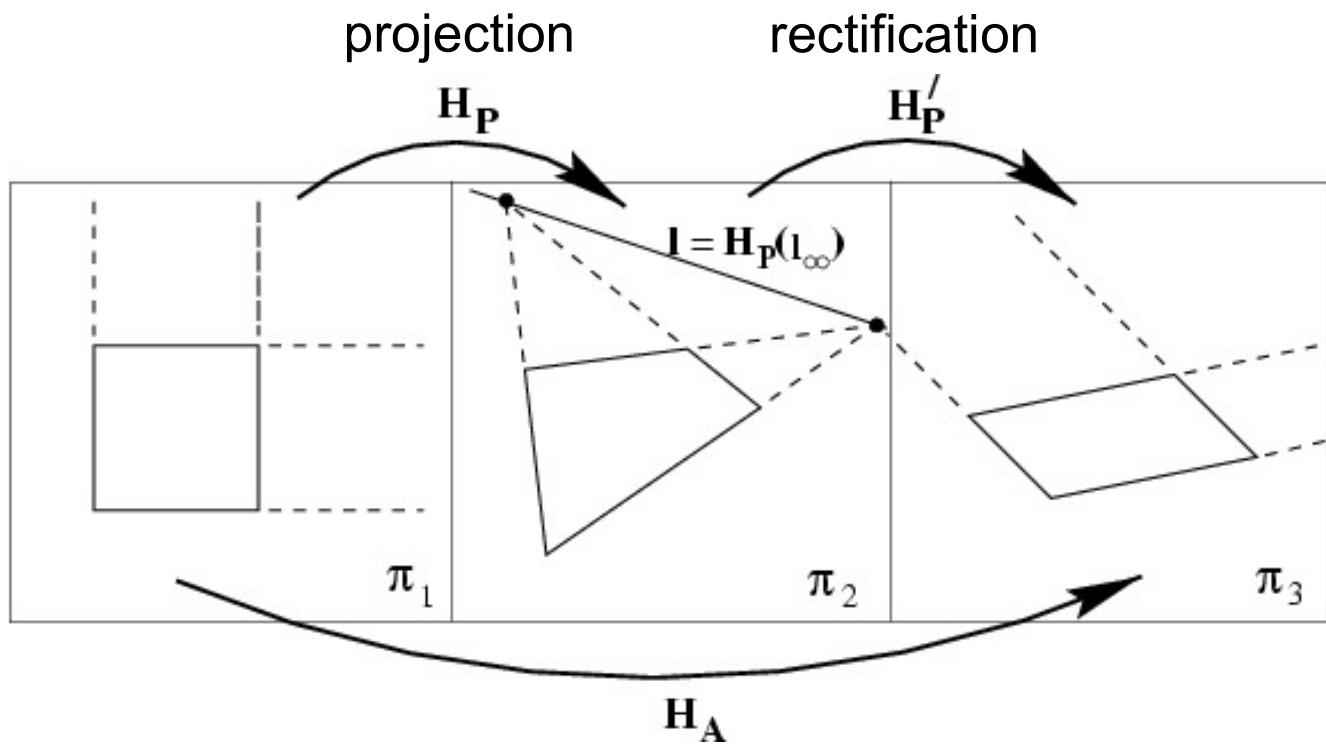
$$l'_\infty = \mathbf{H}_A^{-T} l_\infty = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}^{-T} & 0 \\ -t^T \mathbf{A}^{-T} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = l_\infty$$

The line at infinity l_∞ is a fixed line under a projective transformation H if and only if H is an affinity

Note: not fixed pointwise



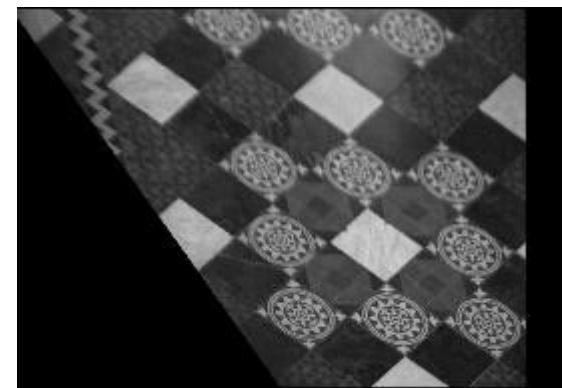
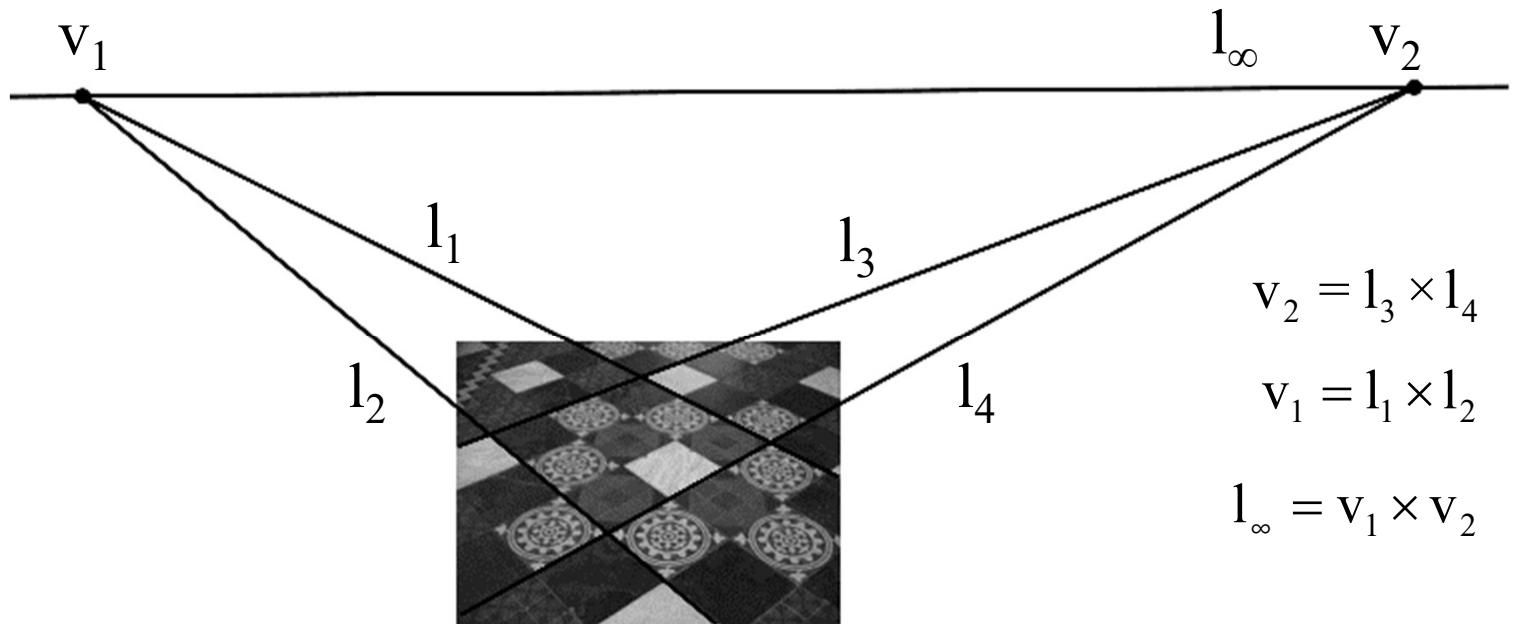
Affine properties from images



$$H_{PA} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ l_1 & l_2 & l_3 \end{bmatrix} H_A \quad l_\infty = [l_1 \ l_2 \ l_3]^\top, l_3 \neq 0$$



Affine rectification





The circular points

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

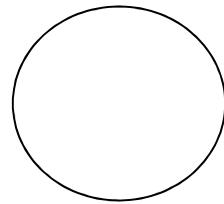
$$I' = H_S I = \begin{bmatrix} s \cos \theta & s \sin \theta & t_x \\ -s \sin \theta & s \cos \theta & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = s e^{i\theta} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = I$$

The circular points I, J are fixed points under the projective transformation H iff H is a similarity



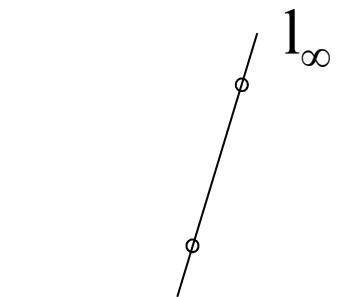
The circular points

“circular points”



$$x_1^2 + x_2^2 + dx_1x_3 + ex_2x_3 + fx_3^2 = 0$$

$$x_3 = 0$$



$$x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 0$$

$$\mathbf{I} = (1, i, 0)^\top$$

$$\mathbf{J} = (1, -i, 0)^\top$$

Algebraically, encodes orthogonal directions

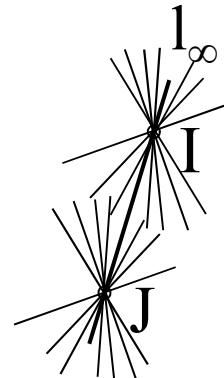
$$\mathbf{I} = (1, 0, 0)^\top + i(0, 1, 0)^\top$$



Conic dual to the circular points

$$\mathbf{C}_\infty^* = \mathbf{I}\mathbf{J}^\top + \mathbf{J}\mathbf{I}^\top$$

$$\mathbf{C}_\infty^* = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\mathbf{C}_\infty^* = \mathbf{H}_S \mathbf{C}_\infty^* \mathbf{H}_S^\top$$

The dual conic \mathbf{C}_∞^* is fixed conic under the projective transformation \mathbf{H} iff \mathbf{H} is a similarity

Note: \mathbf{C}_∞^* has 4DOF
 \mathbf{l}_∞ is the nullvector

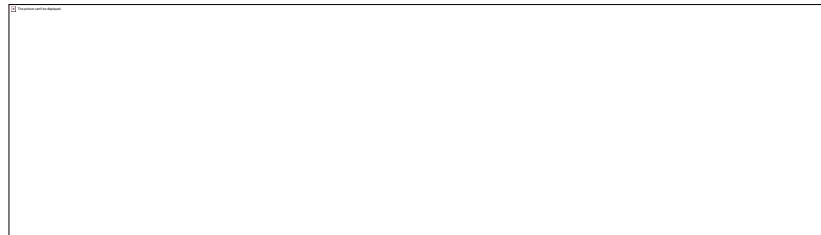


Angles

Euclidean: $\mathbf{l} = (l_1, l_2, l_3)^\top \quad \mathbf{m} = (m_1, m_2, m_3)^\top$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{l_1 m_1 + l_2 m_2}{\sqrt{(l_1^2 + l_2^2)(m_1^2 + m_2^2)}}$$

Projective:



(orthogonal)



Transformation of 3D points, planes and quadrics

For a point transformation

$$\mathbf{X}' = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{X}$$

(cfr. 2D equivalent)

$$(\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x})$$

Transformation for lines

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}' = \mathbf{H}^{-T} \boldsymbol{\pi}$$

$$(\mathbf{l}' = \mathbf{H}^{-T} \mathbf{l})$$

Transformation for quadrics

$$\mathbf{Q}' = \mathbf{H}^{-T} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{H}^{-1}$$

$$(\mathbf{C}' = \mathbf{H}^{-T} \mathbf{C} \mathbf{H}^{-1})$$

Transformation for dual quadrics

$$\mathbf{Q}'^* = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{Q}^* \mathbf{H}^T$$

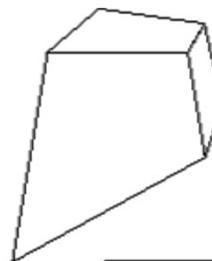
$$(\mathbf{C}'^* = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{C}^* \mathbf{H}^T)$$



Hierarchy of 3D transformations

Projective
15dof

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & t \\ v^T & v \end{bmatrix}$$



Intersection and tangency

Affine
12dof

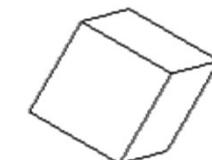
$$\begin{bmatrix} A & t \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Parallelism of planes,
Volume ratios, centroids,
The plane at infinity π_∞

Similarity
7dof

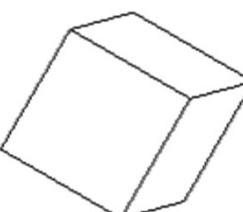
$$\begin{bmatrix} sR & t \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



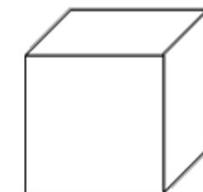
Angles, ratios of length
The absolute conic Ω_∞

Euclidean
6dof

$$\begin{bmatrix} R & t \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Volume





The plane at infinity

$$\pi'_\infty = \mathbf{H}_A^{-T} \pi_\infty = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}^{-T} & 0 \\ -\mathbf{t}^T \mathbf{A}^{-T} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \pi_\infty$$

The plane at infinity π_∞ is a fixed plane under a projective transformation H iff H is an affinity

1. canonical position $\pi_\infty = (0,0,0,1)^T$
2. contains directions $D = (X_1, X_2, X_3, 0)^T$
3. two planes are parallel \Leftrightarrow line of intersection in π_∞
4. line // line (or plane) \Leftrightarrow point of intersection in π_∞



The absolute conic

The absolute conic Ω_∞ is a (point) conic on π_∞ .

In a metric frame:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} X_1^2 + X_2^2 + X_3^2 \\ X_4 \end{array} \right\} = 0$$

or conic for directions: $(X_1, X_2, X_3)I(X_1, X_2, X_3)^T$
(with no real points)

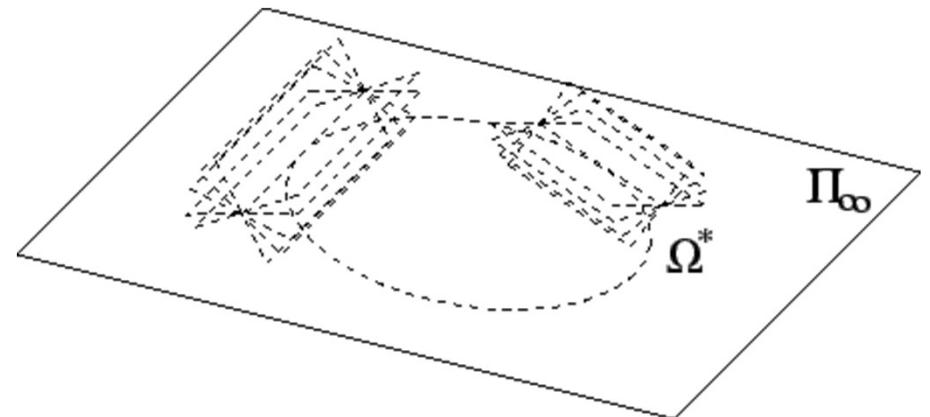
The absolute conic Ω_∞ is a fixed conic under the projective transformation H iff H is a similarity

1. Ω_∞ is only fixed as a set
2. Circle intersect Ω_∞ in two circular points
3. Spheres intersect π_∞ in Ω_∞



The absolute dual quadric

$$\Omega_{\infty}^* = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



The absolute dual quadric Ω_{∞}^* is a fixed conic under the projective transformation \mathbf{H} iff \mathbf{H} is a similarity

1. 8 dof

2. plane at infinity π_{∞} is the nullvector of Ω_{∞}

3. Angles:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\pi_1^T \Omega_{\infty}^* \pi_2}{\sqrt{(\pi_1^T \Omega_{\infty}^* \pi_1)(\pi_2^T \Omega_{\infty}^* \pi_2)}}$$



Next week: camera models

