

Computer Vision

Image Introduction Geometric Operations

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Computer Vision Introduction



Give vision power to a machine generates an impressive result!!



It is important to understand basic image concepts!

Computer Vision Introduction

■ What is computer vision?

- A field of artificial intelligence that trains computers to interpret and understand the visual world
- Can be applied to images or videos
- Images are everywhere
- Aims to extract information from images and interpret their contents

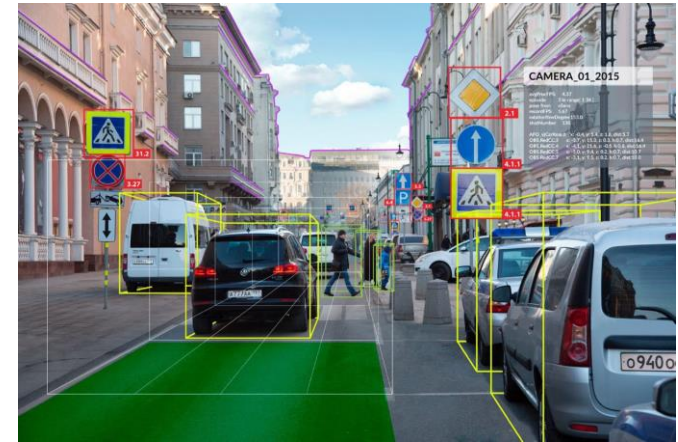
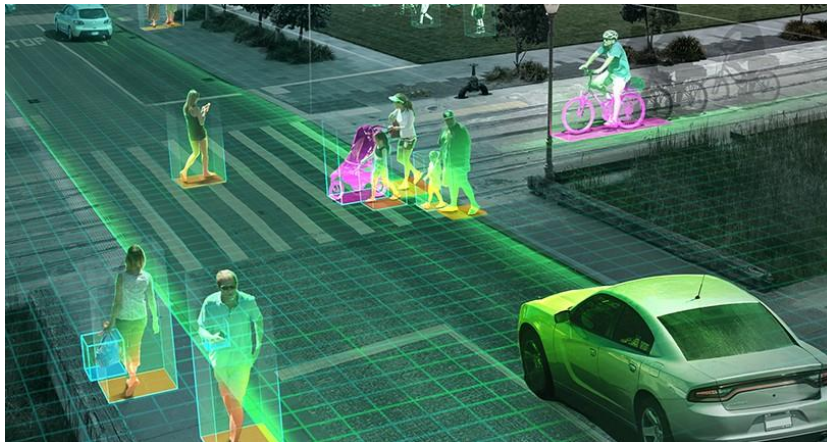


Image concepts

- **What is an image?**
 - A **visual representation** of an object, a person, or a scene
 - Produced by an optical device such as a mirror, a lens, or a camera
 - **Two-dimensional representation** (2D)
 - One of the infinitely many projections of a real-world - **three-dimensional** (3D) **object or scene**.
- **What is a digital image?**
 - A representation of a **two-dimensional image**
 - Uses a **finite number of points**: picture elements or **pixels**
 - Each pixel is represented by one or more numerical values:
 - **monochrome** (grayscale) images: a **single value** to represent the pixel intensity (usually in a [0, 255] range);
 - **colour images**: **three values** to represent the amount of red (R), green (G), and blue (B)

Image concepts

■ What is Digital Image Processing?

- The study of any algorithm that takes an image as input and returns an image as output

■ What's the goal?

- Changing the nature of an image in order to either:
 - improve its pictorial information for human interpretation
 - render it more suitable for autonomous machine perception

■ What does it include?

- Image display and printing
- Image editing and manipulation
- Image enhancement
- Feature detection
- Image compression

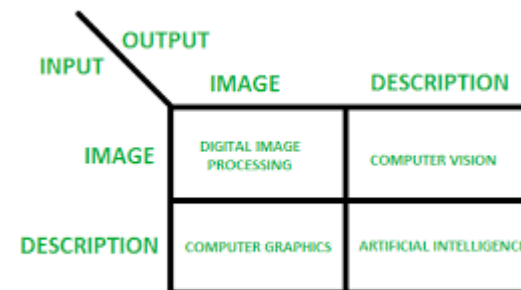


Image concepts

Images are changed automatically according to an algorithm as opposed to image manipulation using tools like Photoshop.

- Image Processing
- Image Analysis
- Computer Vision

Image concepts

- **Image processing** covers a wide and diverse array of techniques and algorithms:
 - **Sharpening**
 - **Noise removal**
 - **Deblurring**
 - **Edge extraction**
 - **Binarization**
 - **Blurring**
 - **Contrast Enhancement**
 - **Object Segmentation and labelling**

Image concepts



(a) The original image

(b) Result after "sharpening"

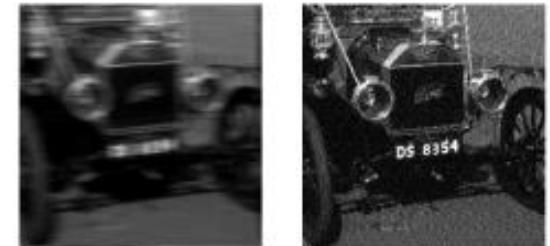
(a) Image sharpening.



(a) The original image

(b) After removing noise

(b) Removing noise.

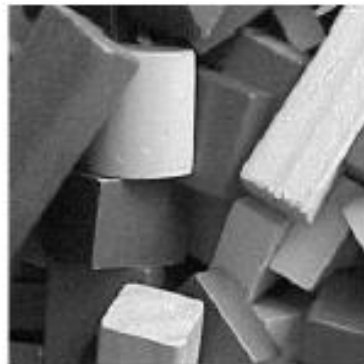


(a) The original image

(b) After removing the blur

(c) Image deblurring.

Image concepts



(a) The original image



(b) Its edge image

(a) Finding edges.



(a) The original image



(b) Blurring to remove detail

(b) Blurring an image.

Image concepts

- **Image Analysis** involves extracting meaningful information from an image:
 - Image segmentation
 - Image matching and comparison
 - Medical diagnosis from an image
- **Computer Vision** aims to emulate the human visual system and interpret our 3D world from 2D images or video
 - Object recognition
 - Motion tracking
 - 3D shape from multiple 2D images

Image concepts

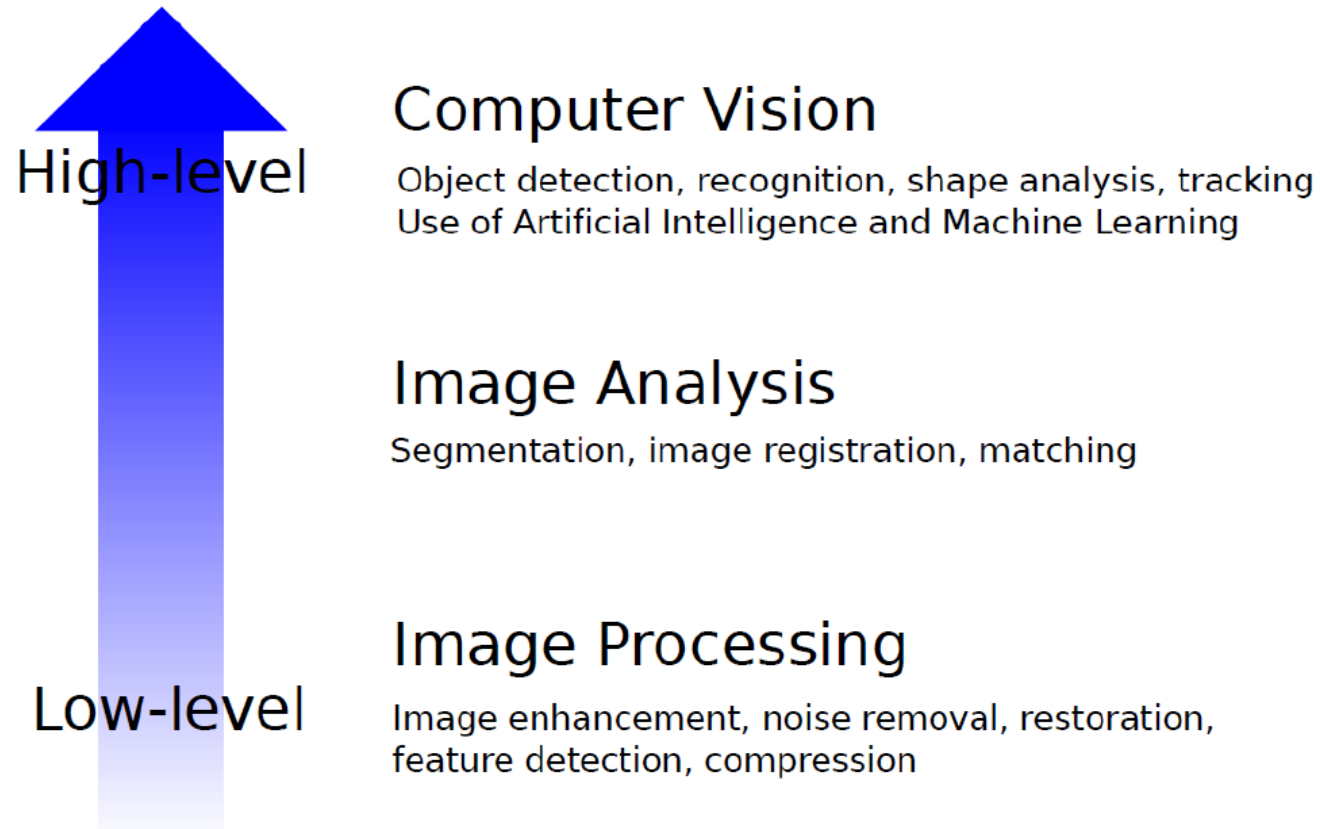
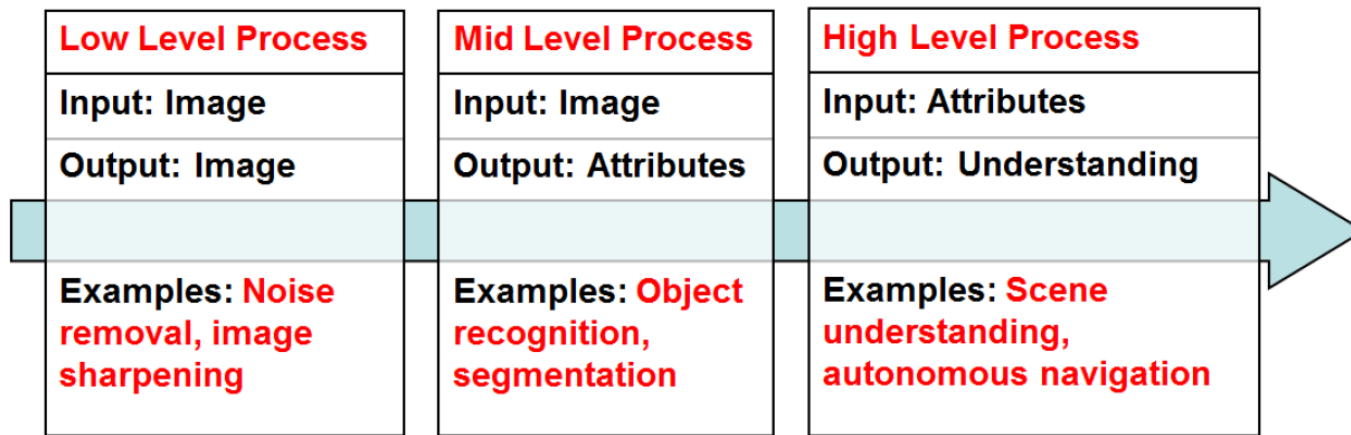


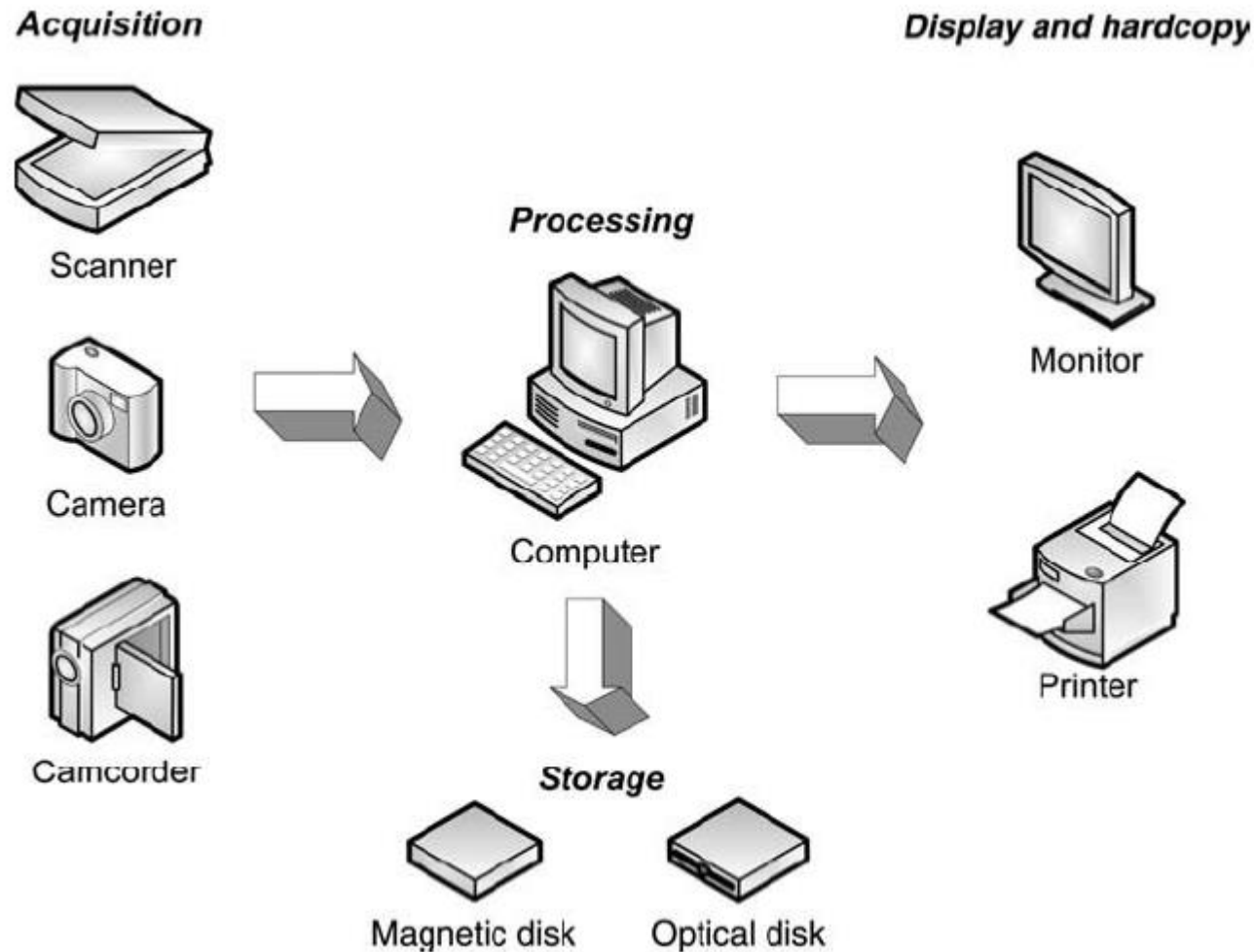
Image concepts

■ Three levels:

- **Low Level:** Primitive operations (*e.g.*, noise reduction, contrast enhancement, *etc.*) where both the input and the output are images.
- **Mid Level:** Extraction of attributes (*e.g.*, edges, contours, regions, *etc.*) from images.
- **High Level:** Analysis and interpretation of the contents of a scene



Digital Image Processing System



Digital Image Processing System

- A generic digital image processing system is built around a computer
- Includes hardware and software for image acquisition, storage, and display.
- **Hardware components:**
 - **Acquisition Devices:** Responsible for capturing and digitising images or video sequences.
 - **Processing Equipment:** Responsible for running software that allows the processing and analysis of acquired images.
 - **Display and Hardcopy Devices:** Responsible for showing the image contents for human viewing (monitors and printers) .
 - **Storage Devices:** Magnetic or optical disks responsible for long-term storage
- **Software:**
 - modules which perform specialised tasks.
 - In this course our choice is Python.

Machine Vision System

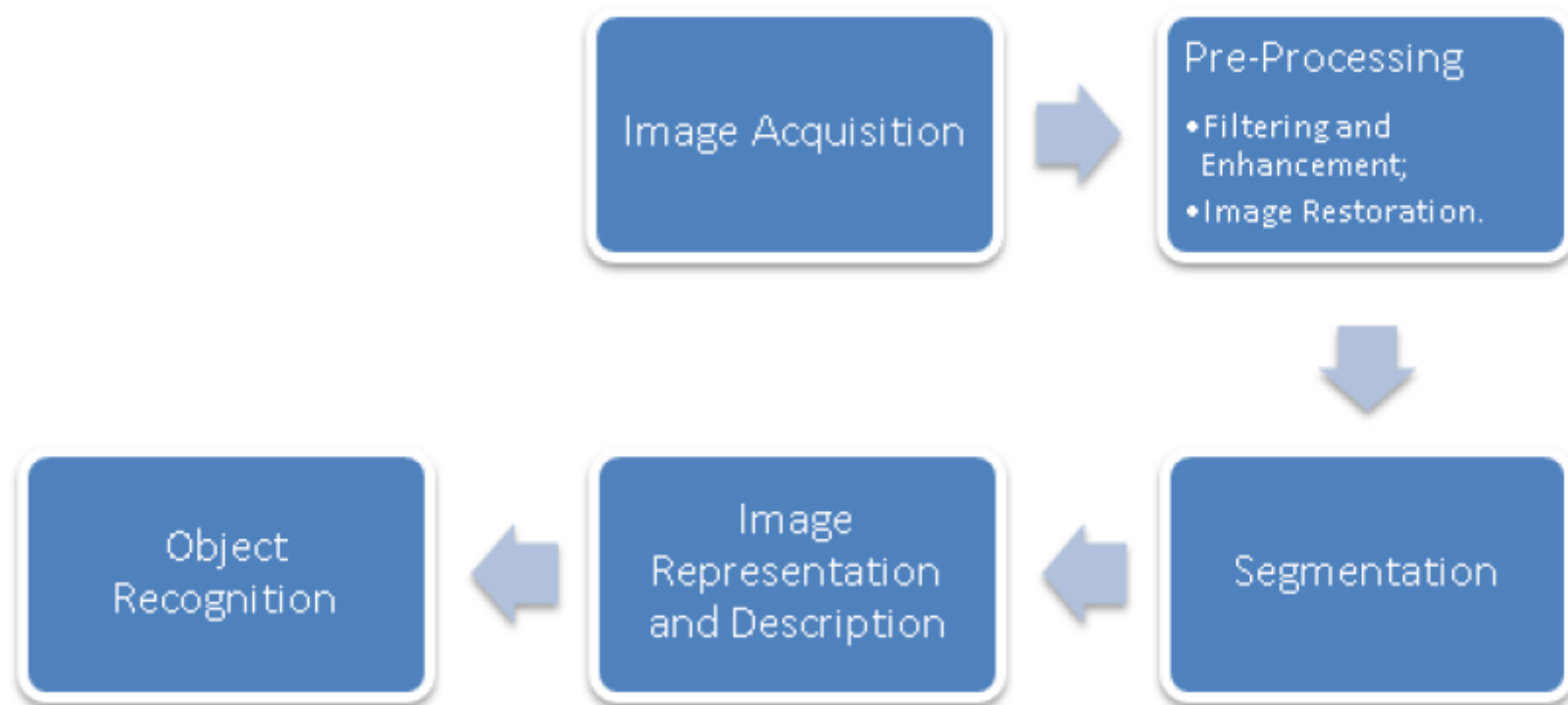
- Let's take as a practical exemple: **recognising license plates at a highway toll booth**



Machine Vision System

- Most solutions follow a sequential processing scheme:
 - **Image acquisition:** collection of one or more images
 - **Pre-processing:** improve the quality of those images
 - **Segmentation:** partitioning an image into its main components
 - extracting the license plate from the rest of the original image
 - segmenting characters within the plate area
 - **Image representation:** algorithms to encode image contents employing measures of colour (or intensity) distribution, texture, and shape of the most relevant (previously segmented) objects within the image.
 - **Object recognition:** classify (*i.e.*, assign a label to) each individual character, producing a string at the output, containing the license plate contents

Machine Vision System



Human Visual System

- **Human visual** system and a **machine vision system** have different strengths and limitations
- It is extremely difficult to emulate the performance of the human visual system
- Eye (input sensor) and the brain (information processing unit) connected by the optic nerve (transmission path)
- Image perception consists of capturing the image with the eye, then recognising it, and finally interpreting its contents in the brain

Human Visual System

This is a cat!!

Of course!!

How have we discovered
that this is a cat?



Human Visual System

Easy	Hard
How wide is this plate? Is it dirty?	Look at a picture of a random kitchen, and find all the dirty plates.
Did something change between these two images?	Track an object or person moving through a crowded room of other people.
Measure the diameter of a wheel. Check to see if it is bent.	Identify arbitrary parts on pictures of bicycles.
What color is this leaf?	What kind of leaf is this?

Digital Image Acquisition

- The **formation of an image** is the result of:
 - the **reflection of light** on an object or scene
 - the **sensors** typically used to capture the reflected energy
 - Selection of appropriate number of samples and quantization levels
- The **reflection of light on an object or scene**
 - **Light** is an essential requirement for an image to be created, captured, and perceived
 - Light can be described in terms of **electromagnetic waves** or particles, called photons
 - The **human visual system** is sensitive to **photons of wavelengths** (violet, blue, green, yellow, orange, red).
 - Colours perceived by humans are determined by the nature of the light

Digital Image Acquisition

- The simplest way to encode colour in cameras and displays is by using the red (R), green (G), and blue(B) values of each pixel.

Let's start now with basics of image representation and start coding!

Image Representation

- Images are represented by a **2/3-D matrix** (gray/coloured image):
 - **Y rows**, **X columns** and **Z channels**;
 - Each **pixel position** is encompassed by **discrete coordinates**
 - The **point (0,0)** corresponds to the upper **left corner** of the image.
 - **Moving down** and to the right, both the **Y** and **X** values increase.

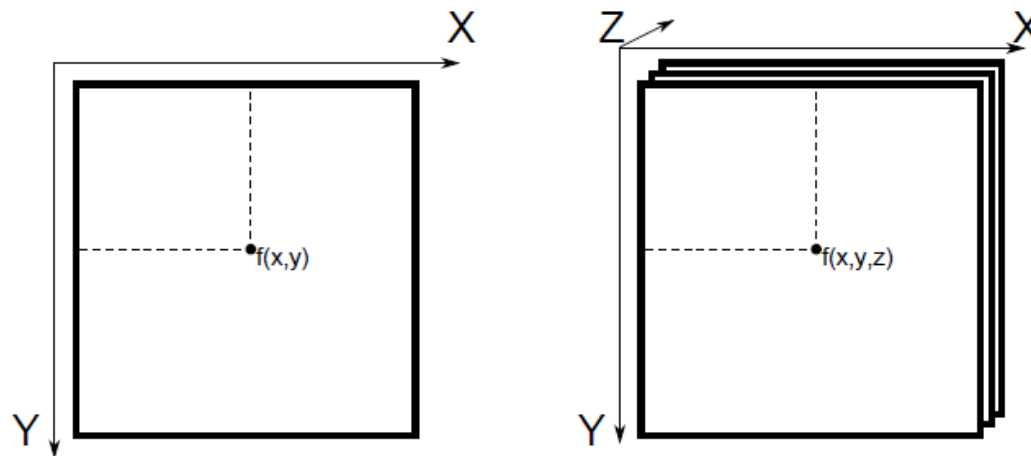


Image Representation

- **Images** are **set of pixels**
- Thinking of an image **as a grid**, **each square** is single pixel
- Gray images are composed by a 2D matrix

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
1		15	30	45	60	75	90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	210	225	240	255
2		15	30	45	60	75	90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	210	225	240	255
3		15	30	45	60	75	90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	210	225	240	255
4		15	30	45	60	75	90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	210	225	240	255
5		15	30	45	60	75	90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	210	225	240	255
6		15	30	45	60	75	90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	210	225	240	255
7		15	30	45	60	75	90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	210	225	240	255
8		15	30	45	60	75	90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	210	225	240	255
9		15	30	45	60	75	90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	210	225	240	255
10		15	30	45	60	75	90	105	120	135	150	165	180	195	210	225	240	255

Image Representation

■ Example:

How many pixels has an image with a resolution of 500 X 300?

The image is represented as a grid of pixels with 500 rows and 300 columns.

In total, there are $500 \times 300 = 150\,000$ pixels

Image Representation

- Colour images are composed by three matrixes one for each colour RGB
- Each pixel is composed of a tuple of 3 int where (0,0,0) is black and (255,255,255) is white
 - Black: (0,0,0)
 - White: (255,255,255)
 - Red: (255,0,0)
 - Green: (0,255,0)
 - Blue: (0,0,255)
 - Yellow: (255,255,0)
 - Purple: (128,0,128)



Image Representation

- The pixel range of a given image format is determined by its bit depth.
- 8-bit image will have a range of [0, 255].
- An image with higher bit depth needs more storage in disk and memory

Data type	Description	Range
int8	8-bit integer	−128 — 127
uint8	8-bit unsigned integer	0 — 255
int16	16-bit integer	−32768 — 32767
uint16	16-bit unsigned integer	0 — 65535
double	Double precision real number	Machine specific

- Binary: 1-bit
- Grayscale: 8-bits
- RGB: 24-bits (16.7 million colours since 8 bits represents 256 values, with 3 matrixes we have $256^3 = 16.7$ million values)

Types of a digital image: binary



1	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	1	1	0
0	0	0	0	0	1

Types of a digital image: grayscale



230	229	232	234	235	232	148
237	236	236	234	233	234	152
255	255	255	251	230	236	161
99	90	67	37	94	247	130
222	152	255	129	129	246	132
154	199	255	150	189	241	147
216	132	162	163	170	239	122

Types of a digital image: RGB



49	55	56	57	52	53
58	60	60	58	55	57
58	58	54	53	55	56
83	78	72	69	68	69
88	91	91	84	83	82
69	76	83	78	76	75
61	69	73	78	76	76

Red

64	76	82	79	78	78
93	93	91	91	86	86
88	82	88	90	88	89
125	119	113	108	111	110
137	136	132	128	126	120
105	108	114	114	118	113
96	103	112	108	111	107

Green

66	80	77	80	87	77
81	93	96	99	86	85
83	83	91	94	92	88
135	128	126	112	107	106
141	129	129	117	115	101
95	99	109	108	112	109
84	93	107	101	105	102

Blue

Images files

- Image file formats use a file header followed by (often compressed) pixel data
- The image file header stores information about the image
 - height and width
 - number of bands
 - number of bits per pixel
 - signature bytes indicating the file type
- More complex file formats, the header may also contain information about:
 - the type of compression used and other parameters that are necessary to decode (i.e., decompress) the image.

Images files

- BIN, PPM (PBM,PGM, PNM) – raw pixel data
- BMP – Microsoft Windows
- JPEG – most popular for photographic quality images
- GIF – uses indexed representation of colours with maximum of 256 colours palette
- TIFF – 24 bit per pixel (true colour) 5 different compression schemes
- PNG – supports both indexed and true colour format, patent free replacement for GIF
- RAW – adopted by camera manufacturers

Geometric Operations

- **Modify the geometry** of an image by **repositioning pixels** in a constrained way
- **Modify the spatial relationships** between **groups of pixels** representing features or objects of interest within the image
- Are used for different purposes:
 - Correction of geometric distortions introduced during the image acquisition process;
 - Special effects (*e.g.*, twirling, bulging, or squeezing);
- The most **common techniques** include **translation**, **rotation**, **resizing**, **flipping**, and **cropping**

Geometric Operations



translation



scaling



rotation



mirror



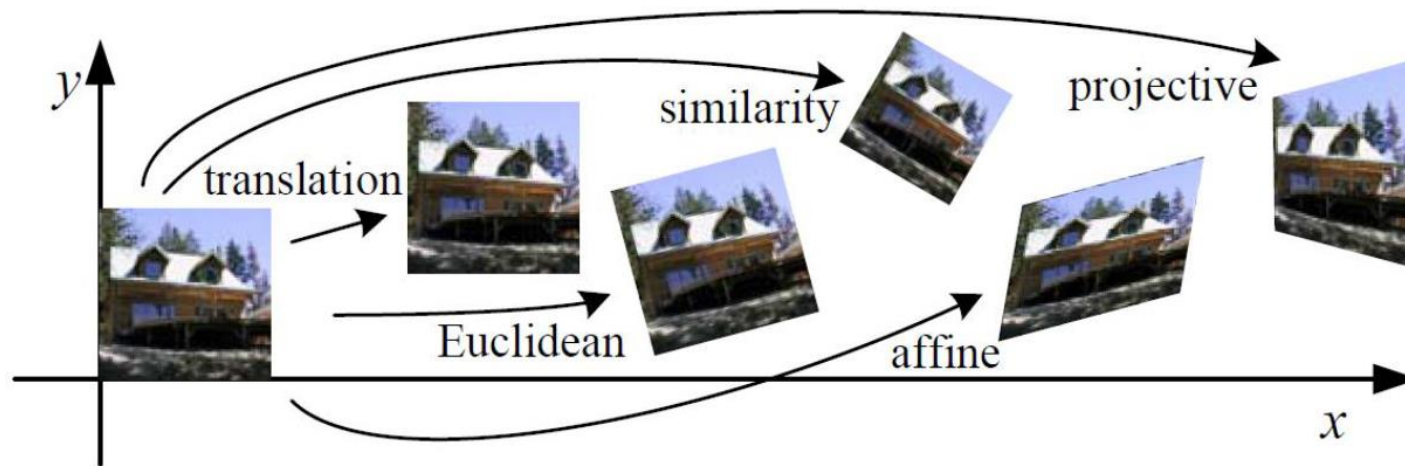
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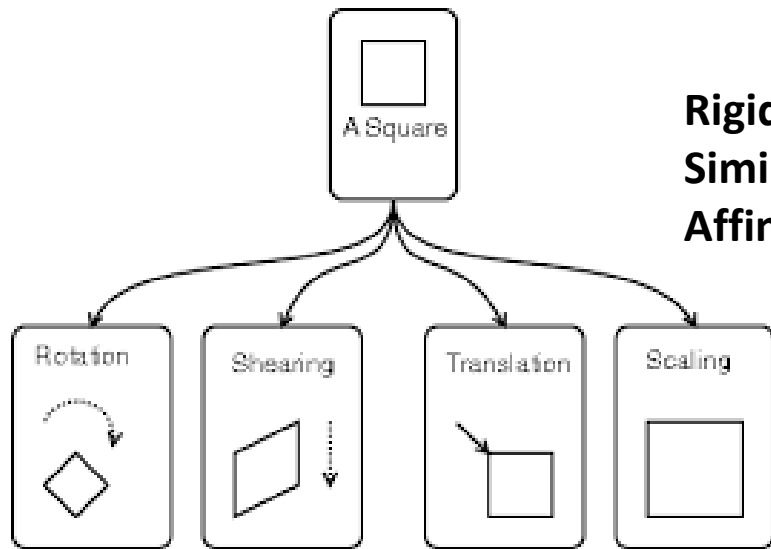
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Geometric Operations

- Composition of transformations:
 - Rigid transformation: Translation + Rotation (distance preserving).
 - Similarity transformation: Translation + Rotation + uniform Scale
 - Affine transformation: Translation + Rotation + Scale + Shear



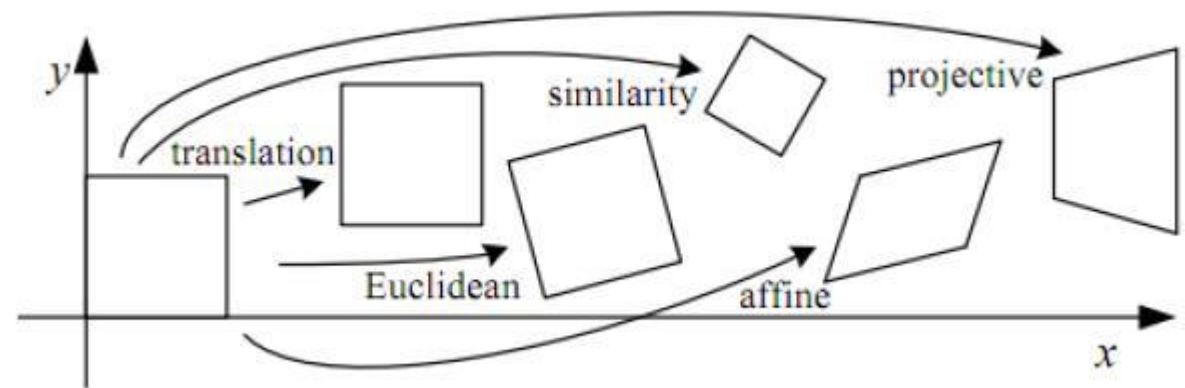
Geometric Operations



Rigid transformation: Translation + Rotation (distance preserving)

Similarity transformation: Translation + Rotation + uniform scaling

Affine transformation: Translation + Rotation + Scaling + Shearing



Geometric Operations

- A geometric transformation require:
 - a **mapping function** that can be described in terms of matrix operations

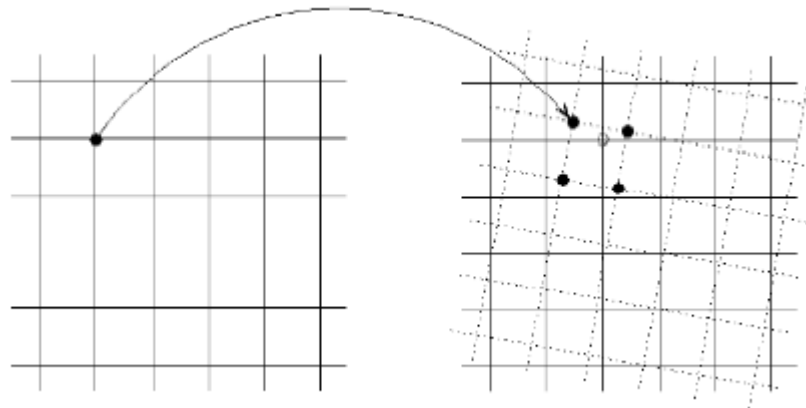
$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & x_0 \\ 0 & 1 & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Translation by } (x_0, y_0)$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Scale by } s_1 \text{ and } s_2$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Rotate by } \theta$$

Geometric Operations

- **Interpolation methods** to find the value of the image at the grid points in the target coordinate system.
- The previous mapping locates the grid points of A in the coordinate system of B, but those grid points are not on the grid of B



Geometric Operations

- **Translation** - shifting of an image along the x and y axis (shift up, down, left, or right, along with any combination of the above)
- **Bird's-eye view** - an elevated view of an object from above, with a perspective as though the observer were a bird
- **Rotation** - rotating an image by some angle
- **Resizing** - changing the size of an image
- **Flipping** - moving an image by a mirror-reversal of an axis.
- **Cropping** - remove/select parts of an image.

Python: OpenCV Module

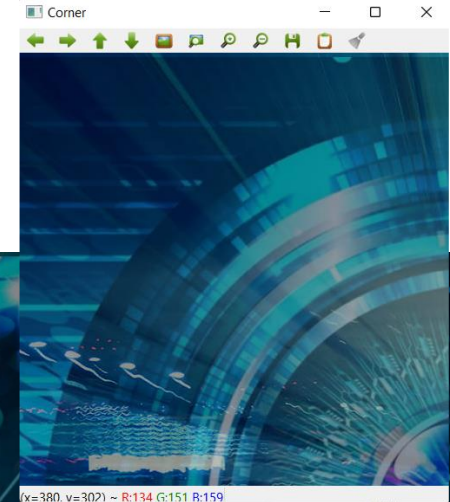
- OpenCV Python is a library designed to solve computer vision problems
- During the semester we will learn to use it.



Example

- Download CV.jpg from Moodle
- Do:
 1. Image read and show in Python
 2. Access the pixel 500,500
 3. Change the colour of pixel 500,500 to green
 4. Select the pixels from row 0 till 500 and column 0 to 500
 5. Do image show of this part of the image
 6. Put to green the pixels from row 0 till 100 and column 0 to 100

```
import cv2
#1
image = cv2.imread("CV.jpg")
cv2.imshow("Welcome to Computer Vision!", image)
cv2.waitKey(0)
#2
(b,g,r) = image[500,500]
print("Pixel at 0,0 - red {}, green {}, blue {}".format(r,g,b))
#3
image[0,0]=(0,255,0)
#4
corner=image[0:500,0:500]
#5
cv2.imshow("Corner!", corner)
cv2.waitKey(0)
#6
image[0:500,0:500]=(0,255,0)
cv2.imshow("Image Changed!", image)
cv2.waitKey(0)
```



Let's play with images!





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