

Computer Vision

Lecture 1 Course Introduction

Part 1

- 1 Computer Vision: What and Why
- 2 Computer Vision: Applications
- 3 Perspectives of Study

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Other Definitions

"the construction of explicit, meaningful descriptions of physical objects from images"
(Ballard & Brown, 1982)

"computing properties of the 3D world from one or more digital images" (Trucco & Verri, 1998)

"to make useful decisions about real physical objects and scenes based on sensed images"
(Sackman & Shapiro, 2001)

Why? Applications of Computer Vision



Autonomous Vehicles

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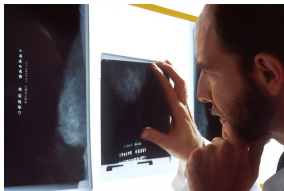
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Factory Automation

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Medical Imaging

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Human-Computer Interaction

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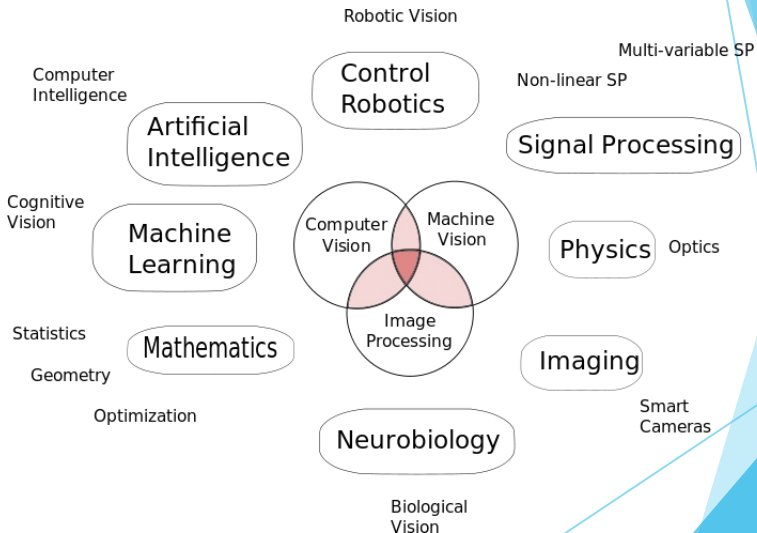
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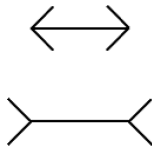
Applications of Computer Vision: More...

- **Retail and Retail Security** ([Amazon Go](#), [Virtual Try-on](#), [StopLift](#))
- **Healthcare** ([Blood Loss Detector](#), [DermLens](#))
- **Agriculture** ([SlantRange](#), [Cainthus - Livestock facial recognition](#))
- **Banking and Finance** ([Mobile Deposit](#), [Insurance Risk Profiling](#))
- **Remote Sensing** ([Land Use Understanding](#), [Forestry Modeling](#))
- **Structural Health Monitoring** ([Oilwell Inspection](#), [Drone-based Bridge Inspection and 3D Reconstruction](#))
- **Document Understanding** ([Optical Character Recognition](#), [Robotic Process Automation](#))
- **Tele- and Social Media** ([Image Understanding](#), [Brand Exposure Analytics](#))
- **Augmented Reality** ([TechSee Visual Support](#), [Warehouse and Enterprise Management](#))

Perspectives of Study



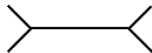
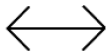
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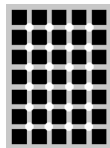
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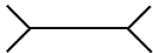
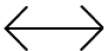
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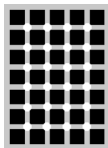
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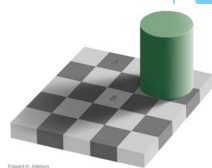
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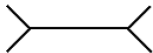
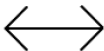
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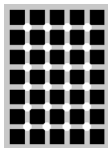
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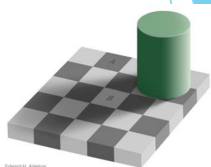
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- Verifiability of mathematical/physical models non-trivial
 - How should similarity/dissimilarity between representations be defined? Is this a distance metric? Do all images follow such a distance metric?
 - How would a manipulation (counterfactual) in a given (potentially noisy) environment behave, w.r.t. the captured image/video? Can a physical model capture this?



IN CV, IT CAN BE HARD TO EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE EASY AND THE VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE.

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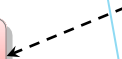
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Focus of this course



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► History

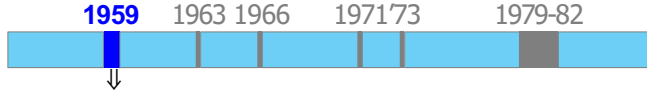
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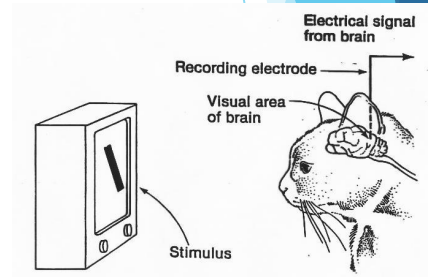
Disclaimer

- A history of the field as captured from multiple sources (including Szeliski's book and other sources credited on each page)
- A slightly biased history, as relevant to the topics we cover in this course. There is more to history in related topics (e.g. geometry-based vision, physics-based vision, image/video processing and compression, graphics, computational photography) not covered herein.
- A slight predisposition to work based on images, more than videos.

Early History¹

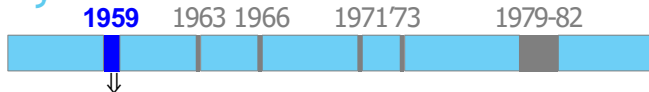


- David Hubel and Torsten Wiesel publish their work "*Receptive fields of single neurons in the cat's striate cortex*"
- Placed electrodes into the primary visual cortex area of an anesthetized cat's brain
- Showed that simple and complex neurons exist, and that visual processing starts with simple structures such as oriented edges



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Early History²

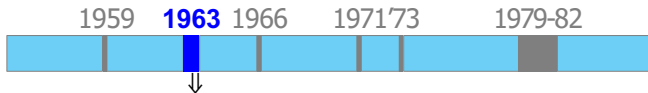


- World's first digital image: Russell Kirsch and his colleagues develop an apparatus to transform images into number grids
- Image of Russell's infant son: grainy 5cm by 5cm photo, 30,976 pixels (176×176 array)
- Now stored in Portland Art Museum



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Early History³



- Lawrence Roberts' PhD thesis: *"Machine Perception Of Three-Dimensional Solids"*
- Discussed extracting 3D information about solid objects from 2D photographs of line drawings
- Discussed issues such as camera transformations, perspective effects, and the rules and assumptions of depth perception

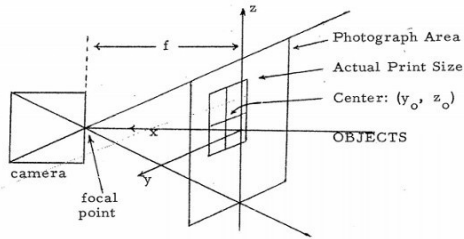
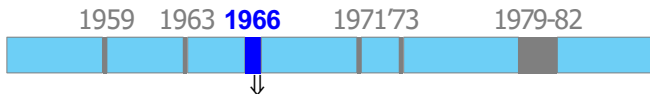


Figure 1: Camera Transformation

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Early History⁴



- Seymour Papert (with Gerald Sussman) from MIT launched the *Summer Vision Project*
- Aimed to develop a platform to automatically segment background/foreground and extract non-overlapping objects from real-world images

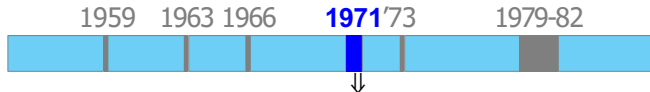
THE SUMMER VISION PROJECT

Seymour Papert

The summer vision project is an attempt to use our summer workers effectively in the construction of a significant part of a visual system. The particular task was chosen partly because it can be segmented into sub-problems which will allow individuals to work independently and yet participate in the construction of a system complex enough to be a real landmark in the development of "pattern recognition".

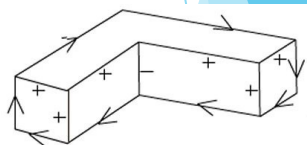
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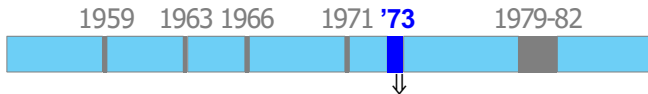
- Discern a shape in a line drawing by labeling lines as convex, concave, and occluded

- David Huffman et al, *Impossible objects as nonsense sentences*, Machine Intelligence, 8:475-492, 1971
- Max Clowes et al, *On seeing things*, Artificial Intelligence, 2:79-116, 1971

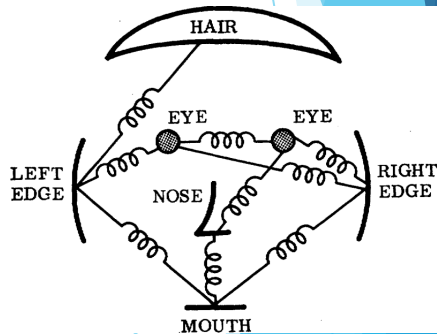


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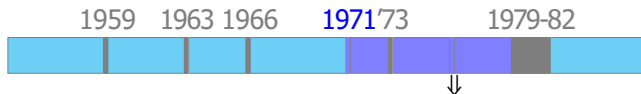
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- *Pictorial Structures* model by Fischler and Elschlager
- Given a visual object's description, find the object in a photograph
- Part of the solution is specification of a descriptive scheme, and a metric on which to base the decision of "goodness" of matching or detection



Early History



- Object recognition through shape understanding

Binford 1971,

- Generalized Cylinders
- Marr and Nishihara 1978, Skeletons and Cylinders

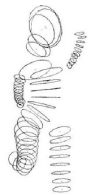
MIT's Artificial Intelligence Lab offers a "Machine Vision" course



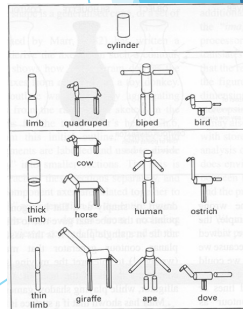
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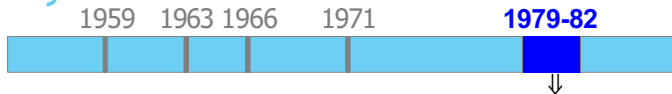
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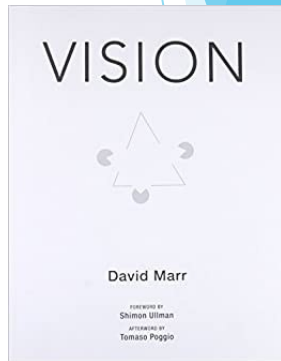
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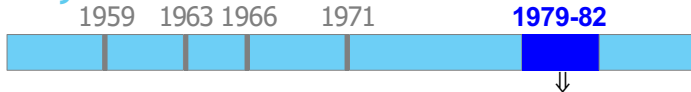


- David Marr, *Vision: A computational investigation into the human representation and processing of visual information*, 1982
- Established that vision is hierarchical
- Introduced a framework where low-level algorithms that detect edges, curves, corners, etc., are used to get high-level understanding of visual data



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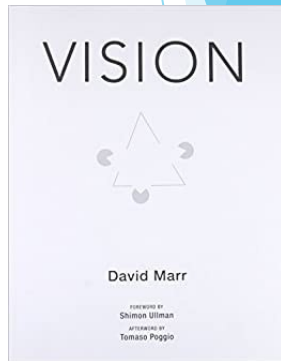
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Marr's Representational Framework

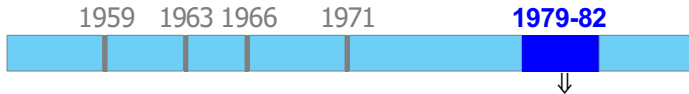
A primal sketch of an image, where edges, bars, boundaries etc., are represented

- A $2\frac{1}{2}$ -D sketch representation where surfaces, information about depth, and discontinuities on an image are pieced together
- A 3D model that is hierarchically organized in terms of surface and volumetric primitives

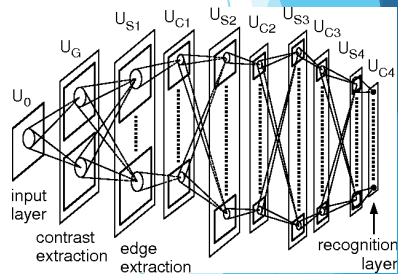


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Early History⁸



- Kunihiro Fukushima' *Neocognitron*, a self-organizing artificial network of simple and complex cells to recognize patterns, unaffected by position shifts
- The original ConvNet!
- Included convolutional layers with weight vectors (known as filters)

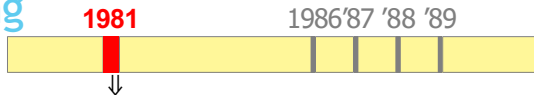


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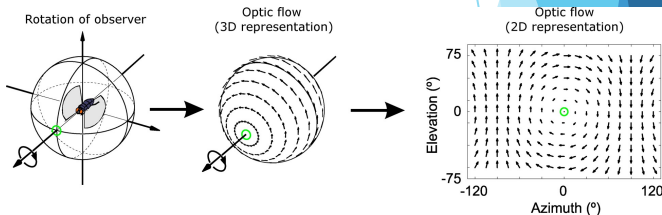
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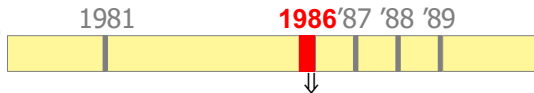
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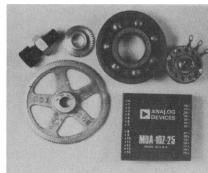
- **Optical Flow:** Horn and Schunck develop method to estimate the direction and speed of a moving object across two images
- Flow is formulated as a global energy functional which is minimized



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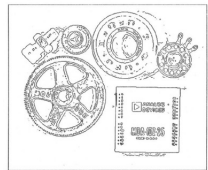
- **Canny Edge Detector:** Multi-stage edge detection operator, with a computational theory of edge detection
- Used calculus of variations to find the function that optimizes a given functional
- Well-defined method, simple to implement, became very popular for edge detection



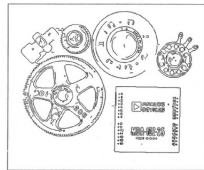
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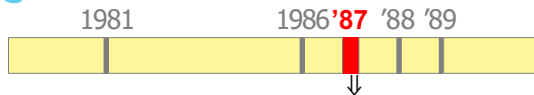


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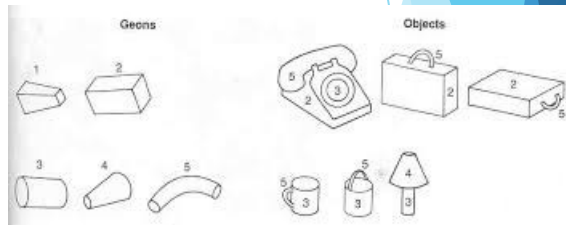


Recognition by Components Theory:

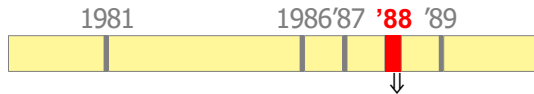
- Proposed by Biederman

- Bottom-up process to explain object recognition

- Object's component parts: *geons*, based on basic 3-dimensional shapes (cylinders, cones, etc.) assembled to form the object

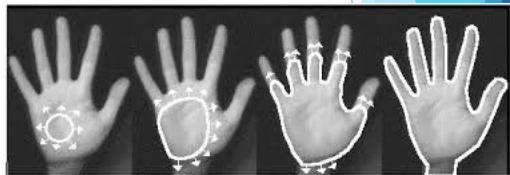


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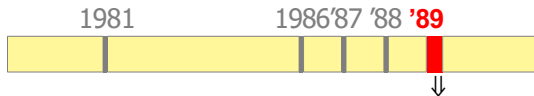


Snakes or active contour models

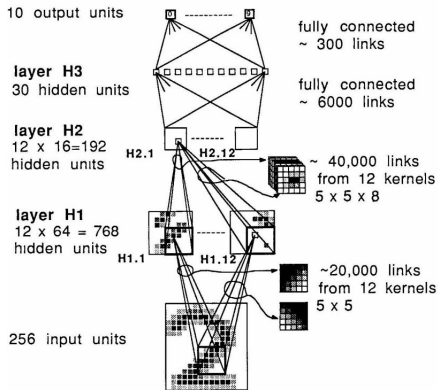
- delineate an object outline from a possibly noisy 2D image
- Widely used in applications like object tracking, shape recognition, segmentation, edge detection and stereo matching



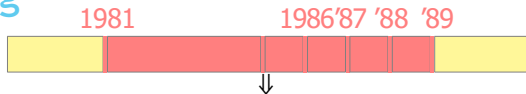
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- **Backprop for CNNs arrives...**
- Applied to handwritten digit recognition provided by USPS



Towards Algorithms and Practice: Low-level Understanding



- Image Pyramids⁹
- Scale-space Processing¹⁰
- Wavelets¹¹

- Shape-from-X¹²
- Variational Optimization methods¹³
- Markov Random Fields¹⁴

⁹Burt and Adelson, 1983

¹⁰Witkin, 1984

¹¹Mallat, 1989

¹²Pentland, 1984; Blake et al, 1985

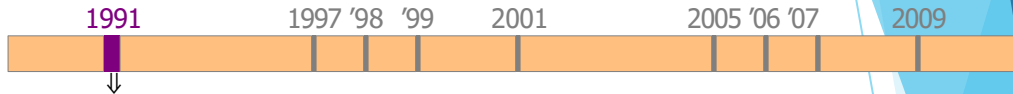
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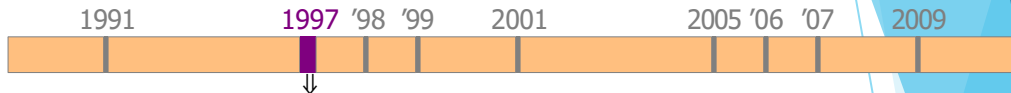
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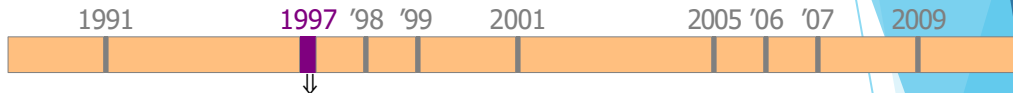
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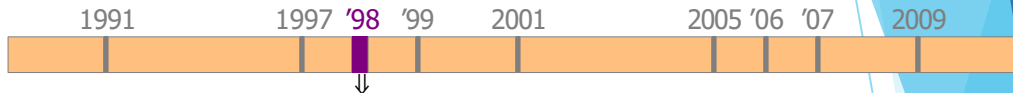
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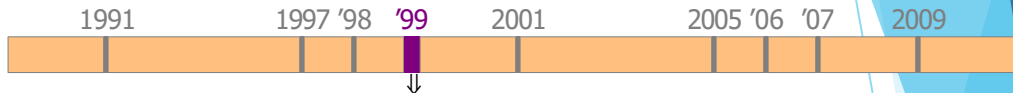
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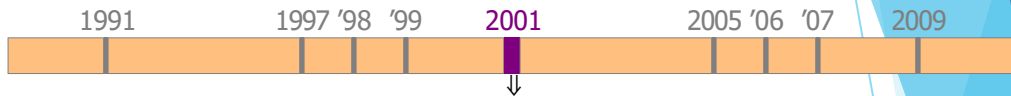
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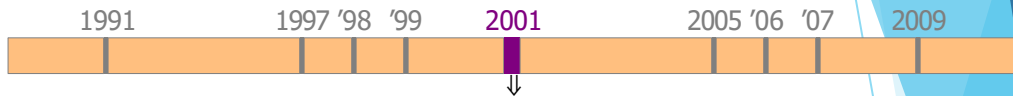
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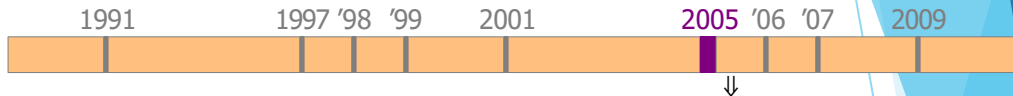
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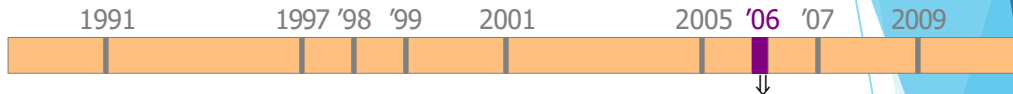


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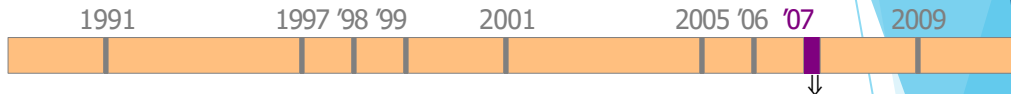
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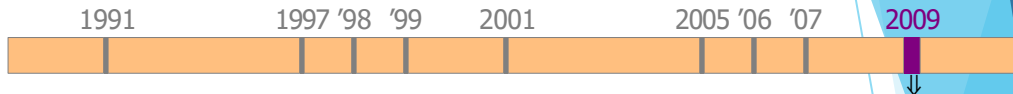
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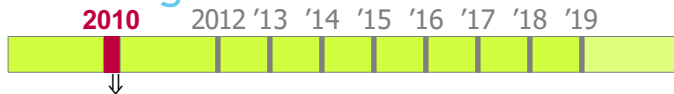


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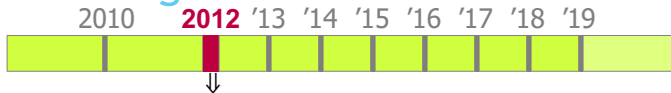
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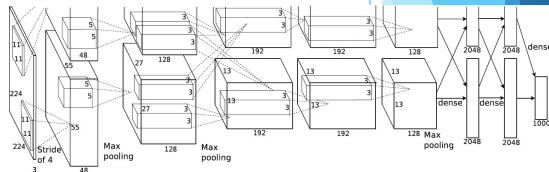
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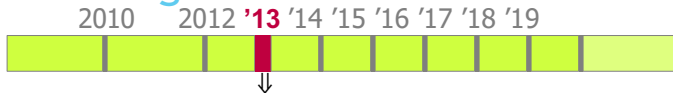
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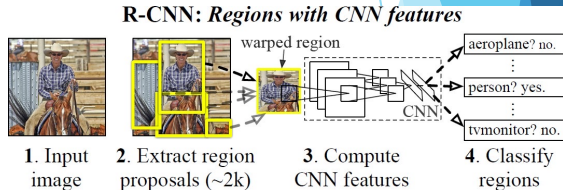
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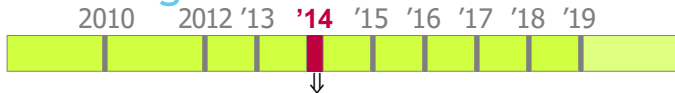
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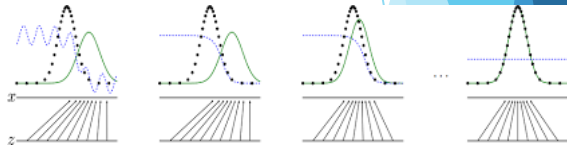
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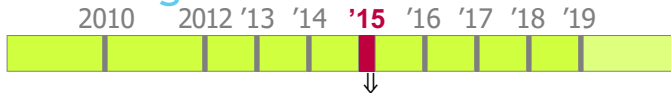
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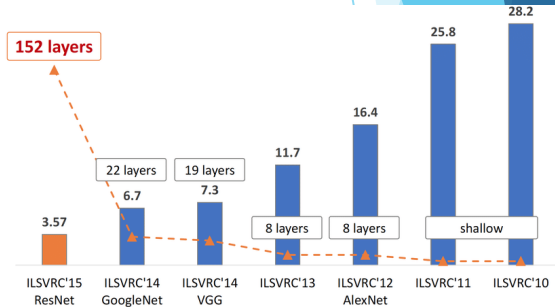
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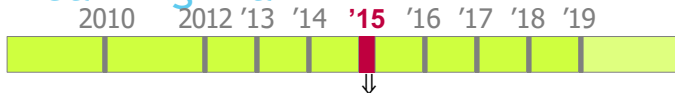
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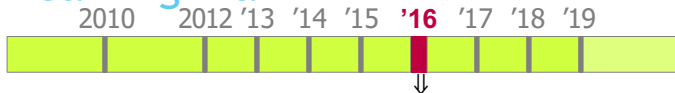


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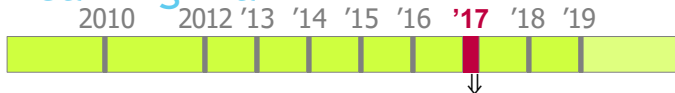
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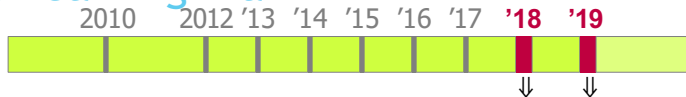
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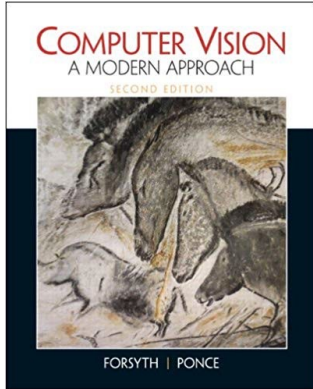
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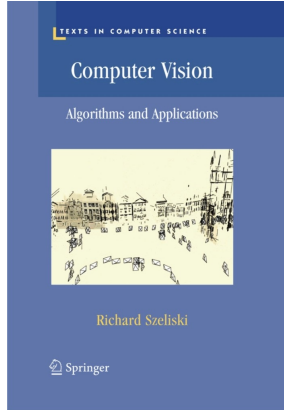
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¹⁵See <https://www.phase1vision.com/resources/timeline> for a longer historical timeline

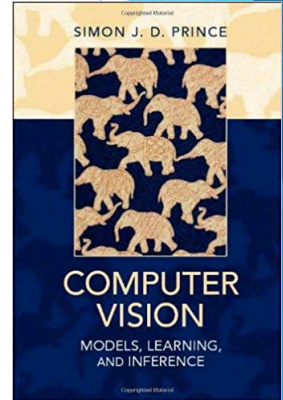
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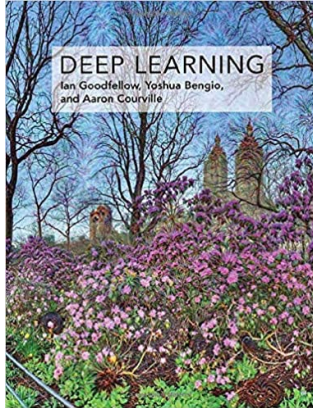
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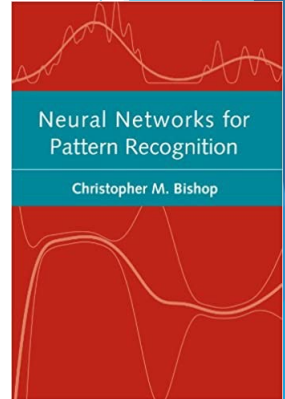
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Homework!

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