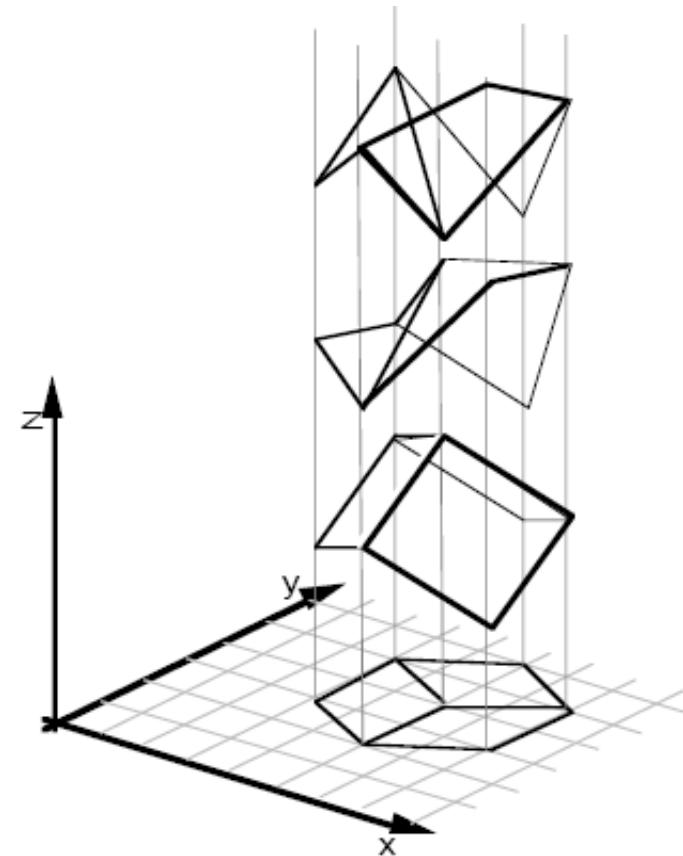


# Why vision is so hard?

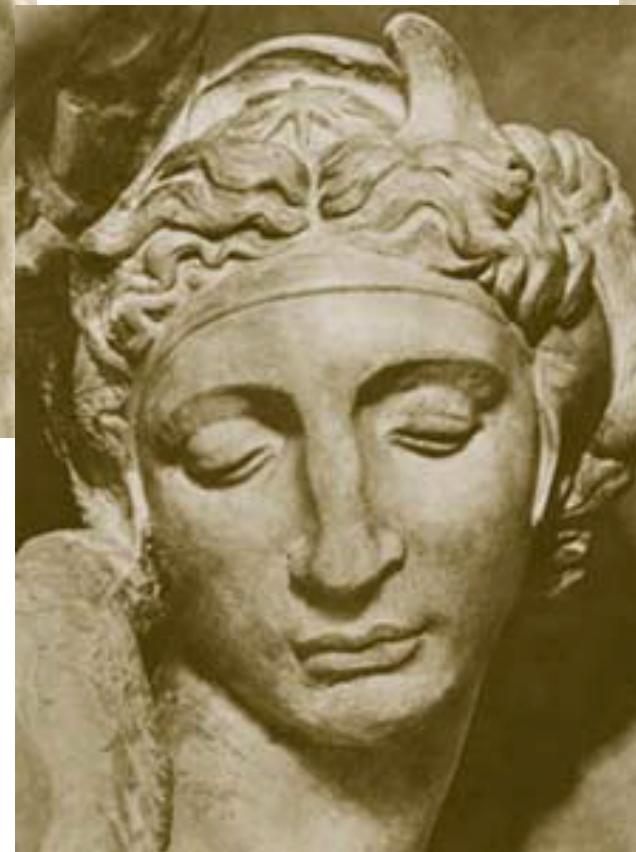
# Why is vision so hard?

- Ill-posed problem



[Sinha and Adelson 1993]

# Challenges 1: view point variation



Michelangelo 1475-1564

## Challenges 2: illumination



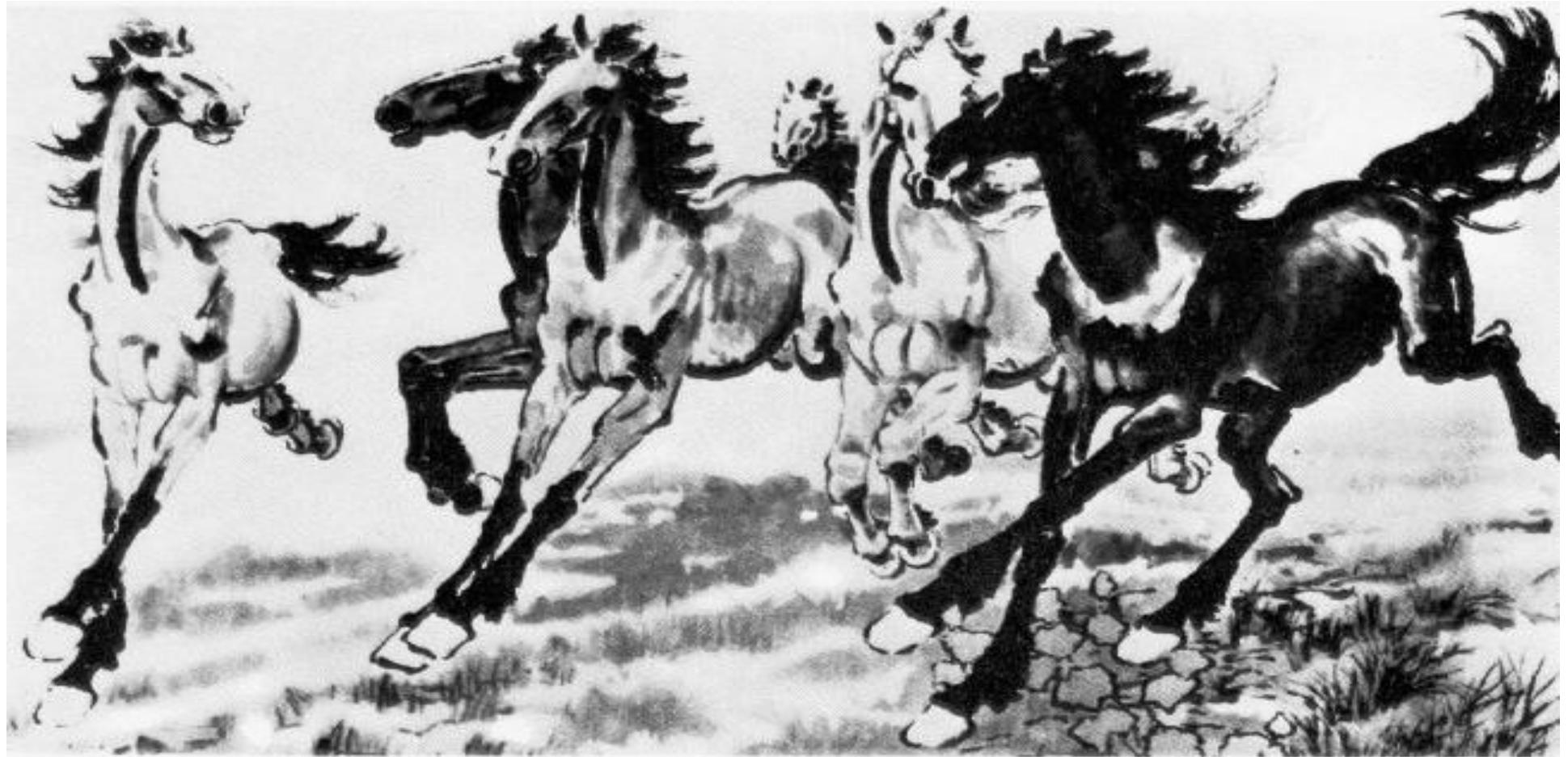
# Challenges 3: occlusion



## Challenges 4: scale

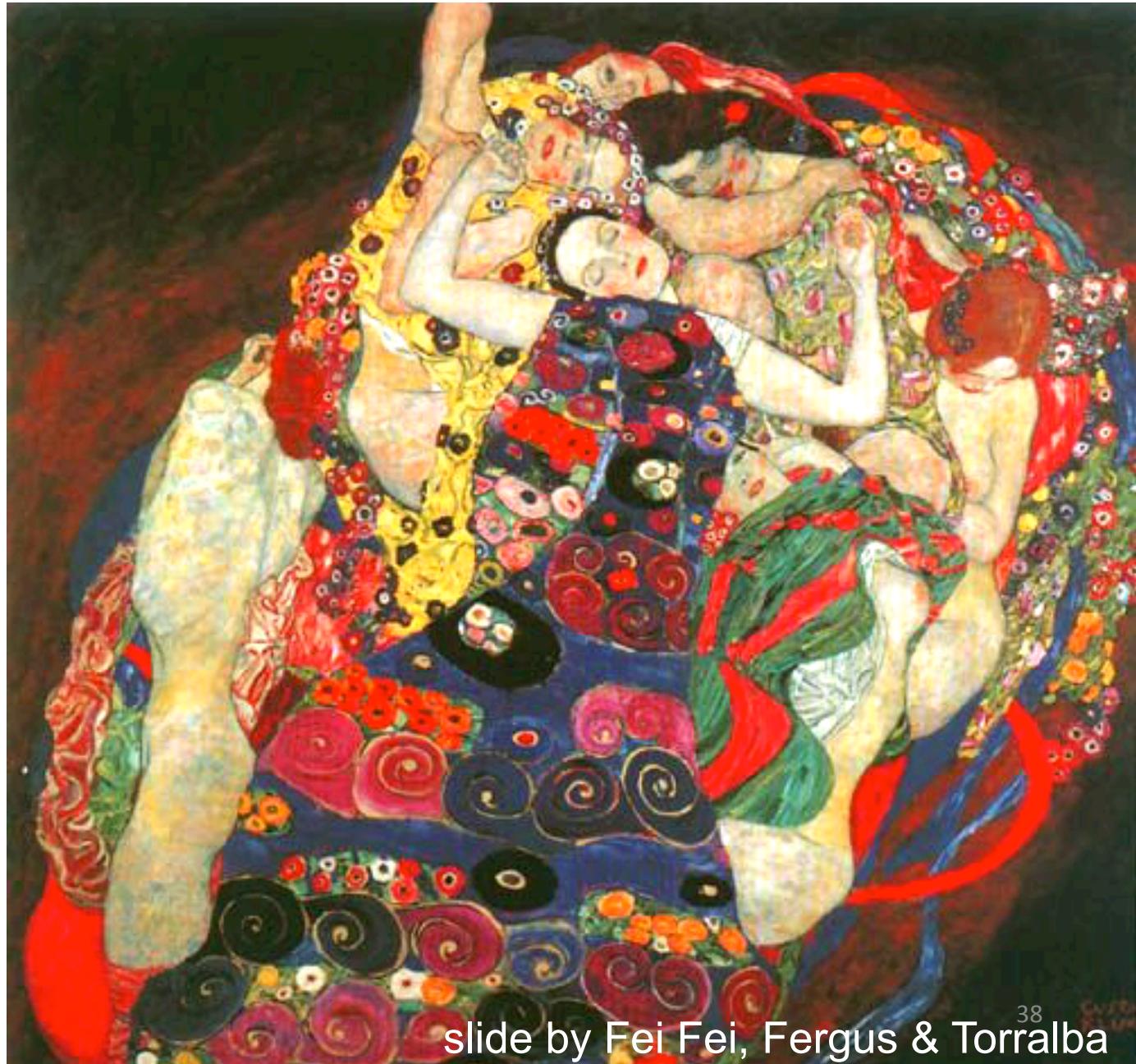


# Challenges 5: deformation



Xu, Beihong <sup>37</sup> 1943

## Challenges 6: background clutter

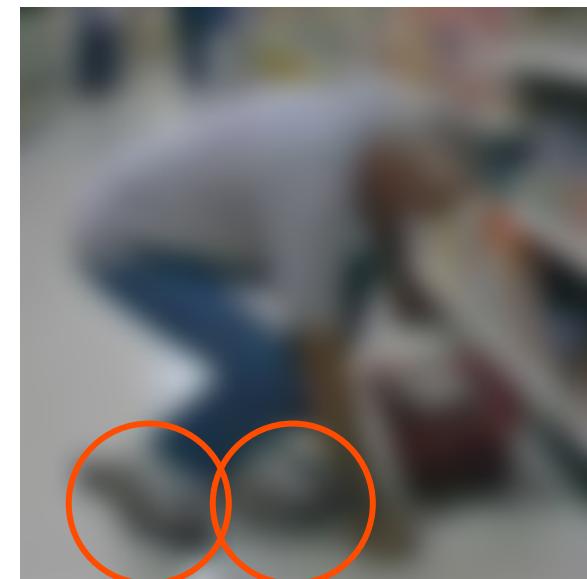
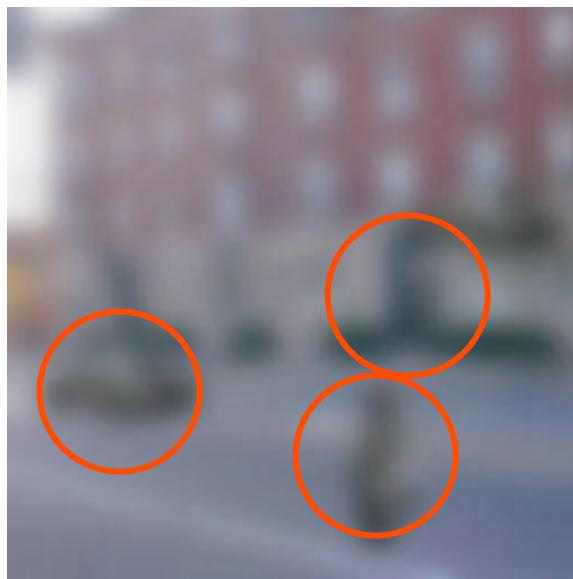
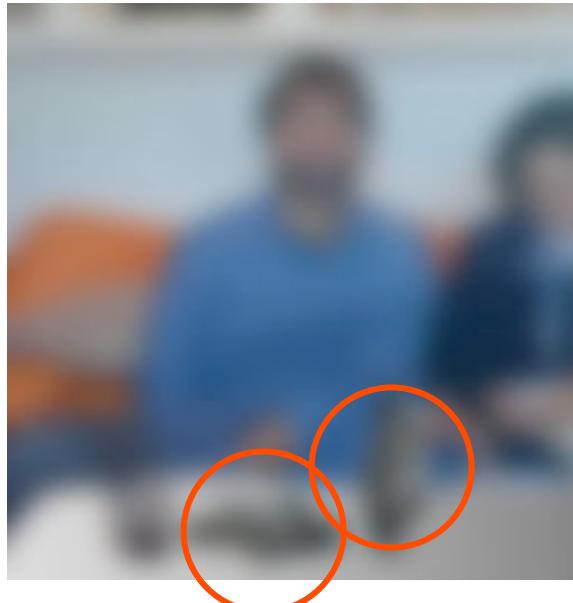


# Challenges 7: object intra-class variation



slide by Fei-Fei, Fergus & Torralba <sup>39</sup>

## Challenges 8: local ambiguity



# Challenges 9: the world behind the image

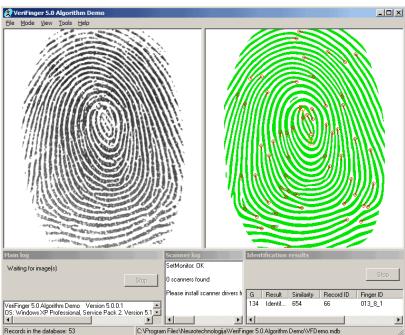


# What Works Today?

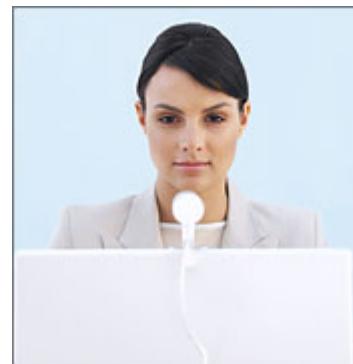
- Reading license plates, zip codes, checks

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# Biometrics



Fingerprint scanners on  
many new laptops,  
other devices



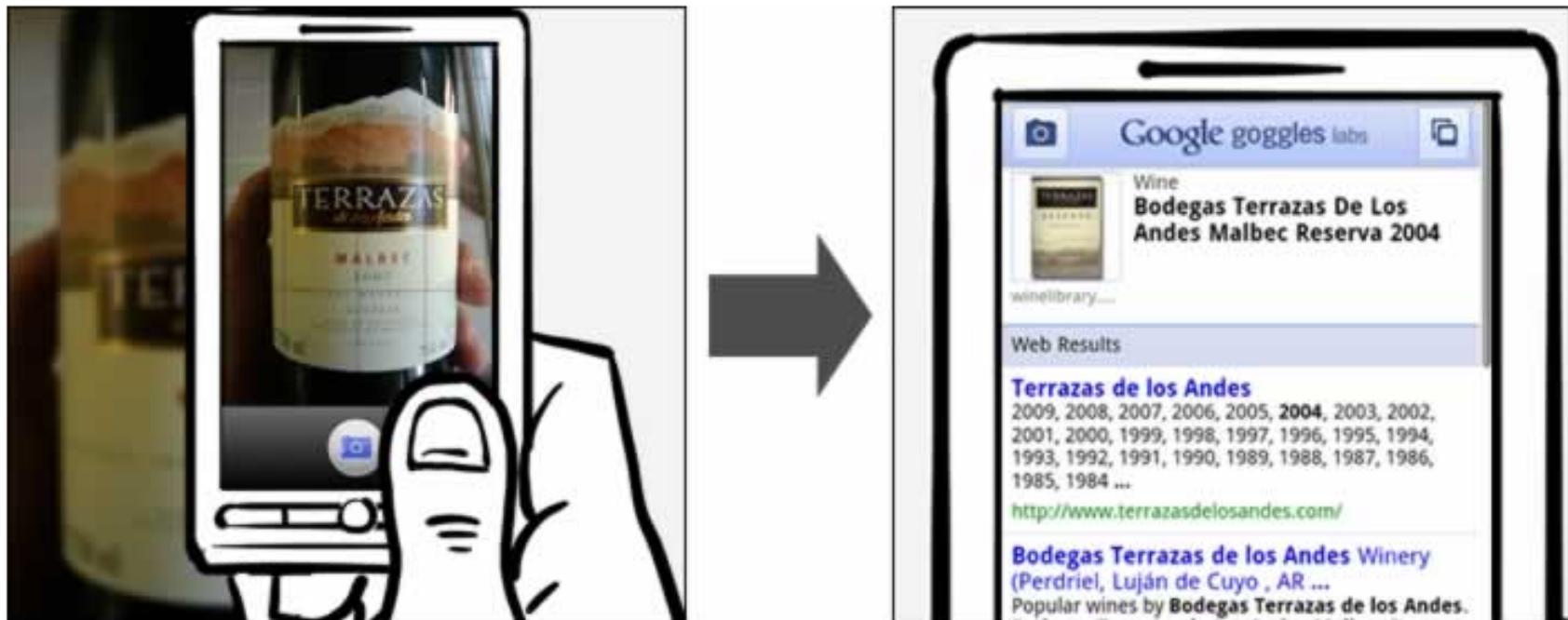
Face recognition systems now beginning  
to appear more widely  
<http://www.sensiblevision.com/>

Source: S. Seitz

# Mobile visual search: Google Goggles

## Google Goggles in Action

Click the icons below to see the different ways Google Goggles can be used.



# Face detection

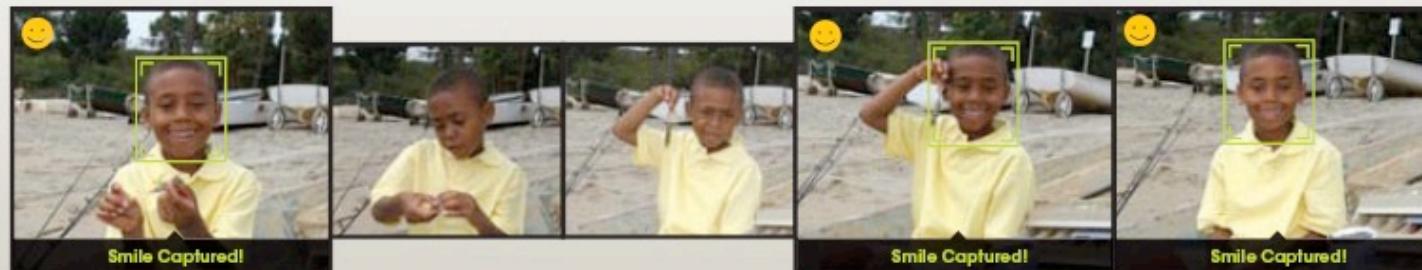
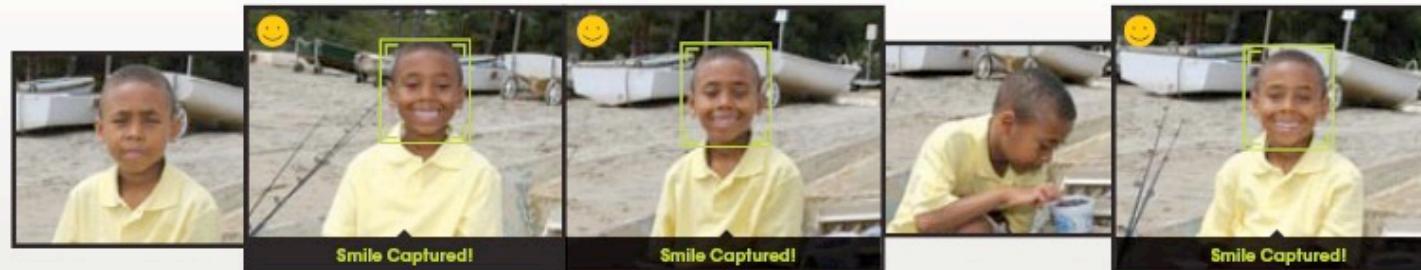


- Many new digital cameras now detect faces
  - Canon, Sony, Fuji, ...

# Smile detection

## The Smile Shutter flow

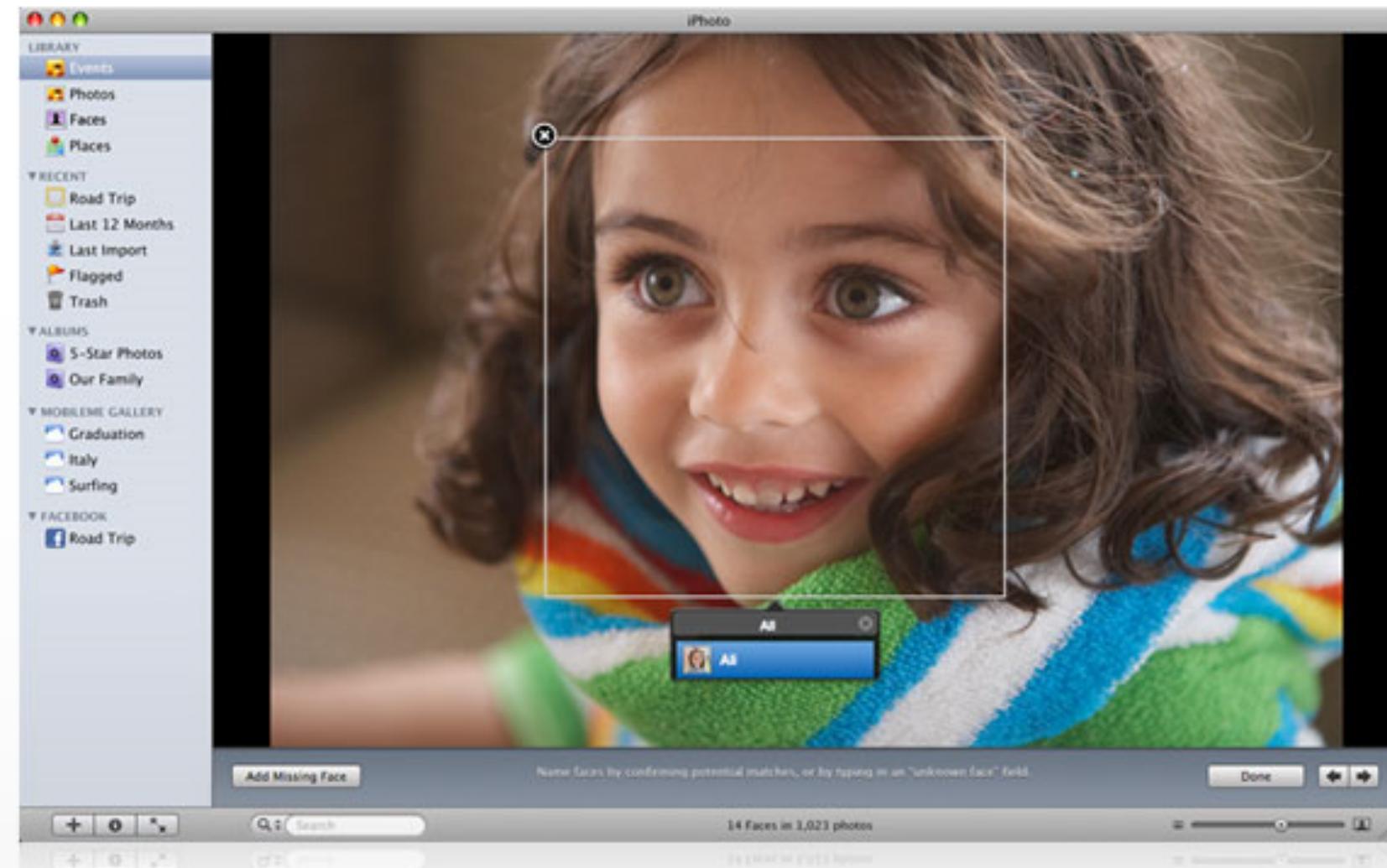
Imagine a camera smart enough to catch every smile! In Smile Shutter Mode, your Cyber-shot® camera can automatically trip the shutter at just the right instant to catch the perfect expression.



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

Source: S.<sub>45</sub>Seitz

# Face recognition: Apple iPhoto, Facebook, Google, etc



# Object recognition (in supermarkets)

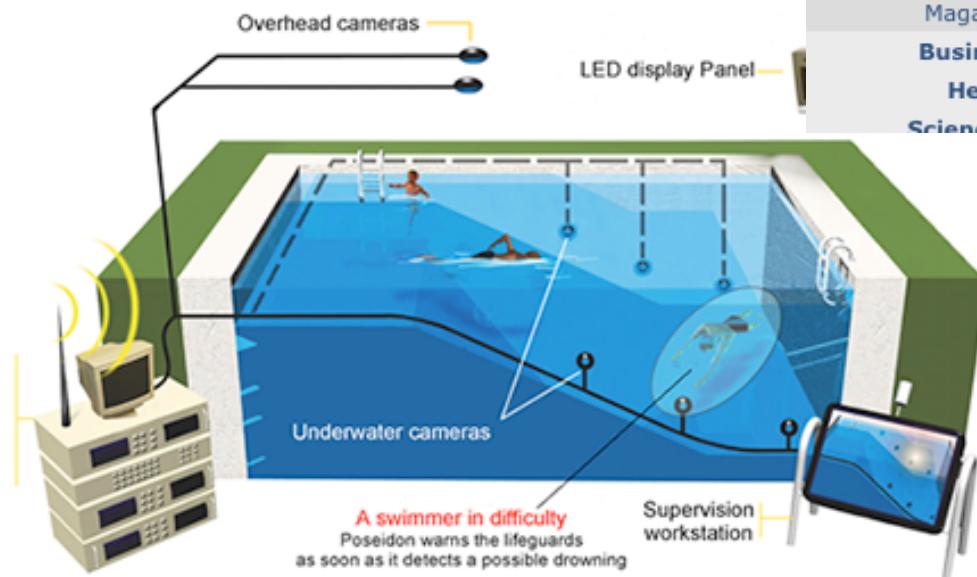


## [LaneHawk by EvolutionRobotics](#)

“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... “

# Object recognition (in supermarkets)





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## Computer alert for drowning girl

**A 10-year-old girl has been saved from drowning by a computer system designed to raise the alarm when swimmers get into difficulties.**

The girl, from Rochdale, was at the deep end of the pool in Bangor, north Wales, when she sank to the bottom.

The £65,000 system, called Poseidon, detected her on the pool floor and sounded the alarm. A lifeguard pulled her out and she recovered in hospital.



[VIDEO Watch the rescue](#)

# Security

Local 

## Cameras help confirm Scott suicide ruling

Friday, December 04, 2009



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**Paul Meincke**

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December 4, 2009 (CHICAGO) (WLS) -- Chicago police have closed the case in the death of Chicago School Board President Michael Scott.

Police Supt. Jody Weis says investigators used police cameras in the city to trace Scott's last steps in the hours before his body was found in November.

Scott's death has been ruled a suicide. The medical examiner's office concluded --not long after Scott's body was found -- that he had committed suicide. Police did not dispute the finding but wanted to pursue all the investigative leads they could. They say they have done that and have now reached the same conclusion.

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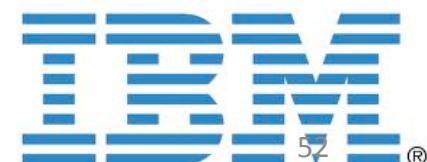
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### News Headlines

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- BP Gas Recall: BP finds, fixes source of bad gas
- Teachers union, board resume negotiating
- Back to School
- 5 injured in South Side shooting 49 min ago
- Pastor: Stacy Peterson said she lied for Drew



# Automotive safety

The screenshot shows the Mobileye website interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'manufacturer products' (with a right arrow), 'consumer products' (with a left arrow), and 'Our Vision. Your Safety.' Below this, there's a diagram of a car from above with three camera types labeled: 'rear looking camera' (top left), 'forward looking camera' (top right), and 'side looking camera' (bottom center). To the right of the diagram is a 'News' section with two headlines: 'Mobileye Advanced Technologies Power Volvo Cars World First Collision Warning With Auto Brake System' and 'Volvo: New Collision Warning with Auto Brake Helps Prevent Rear-end'. Below the news is a 'Events' section with links to 'Mobileye at Equip Auto, Paris, France' and 'Mobileye at SEMA, Las Vegas, NV'. At the bottom of the news section is a link 'all news'. The bottom of the page features three product cards: 'EyeQ Vision on a Chip' (with an image of a chip), 'Vision Applications' (with an image of a person walking across a crosswalk), and 'AWS Advance Warning System' (with an image of a dashboard display).

▷ manufacturer products consumer products ◀

**Our Vision. Your Safety.**

rear looking camera forward looking camera side looking camera

▶ EyeQ Vision on a Chip

▶ Vision Applications

Road, Vehicle, Pedestrian Protection and more

▶ AWS Advance Warning System

Mobileye 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

all news

Mobileye Events

Mobileye at Equip Auto, Paris, France

Mobileye at SEMA, Las Vegas, NV

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- [Mobileye](#): Vision systems in high-end BMW, GM, Volvo models
  - Pedestrian collision warning
  - Forward collision warning
  - Lane departure warning
  - Headway monitoring and warning

Source: A. Shashua, S. Seitz

# Google cars



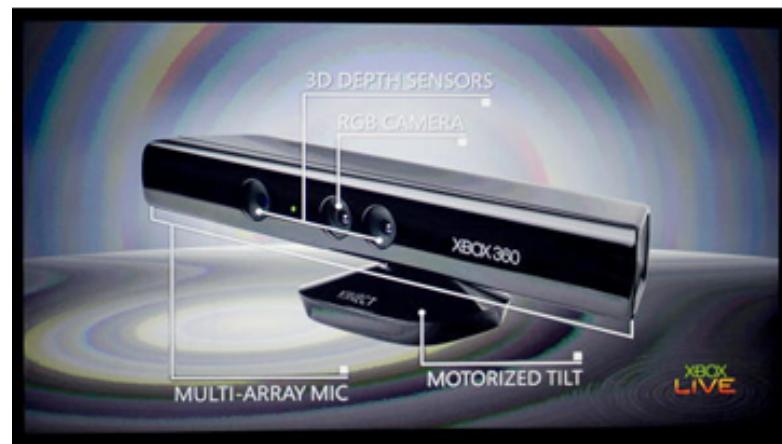
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Aug 9, 2011,

["Human error blamed after Google's driverless car sparks five-vehicle crash"](#). *The Star* (Toronto)

# Vision-based interaction: Xbox Kinect



# Augmented reality, consumer products



# Special effects: shape and motion capture



# Vision for robotics, space exploration

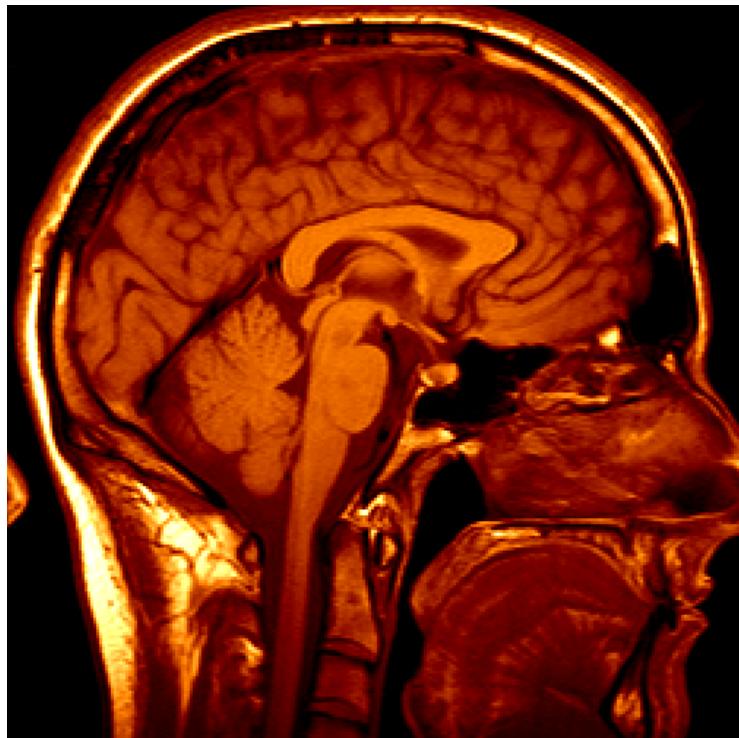


[NASA'S Mars Exploration Rover Spirit](#) captured this westward view from atop a low plateau where Spirit spent the closing months of 2007.

## 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.

# Medical imaging

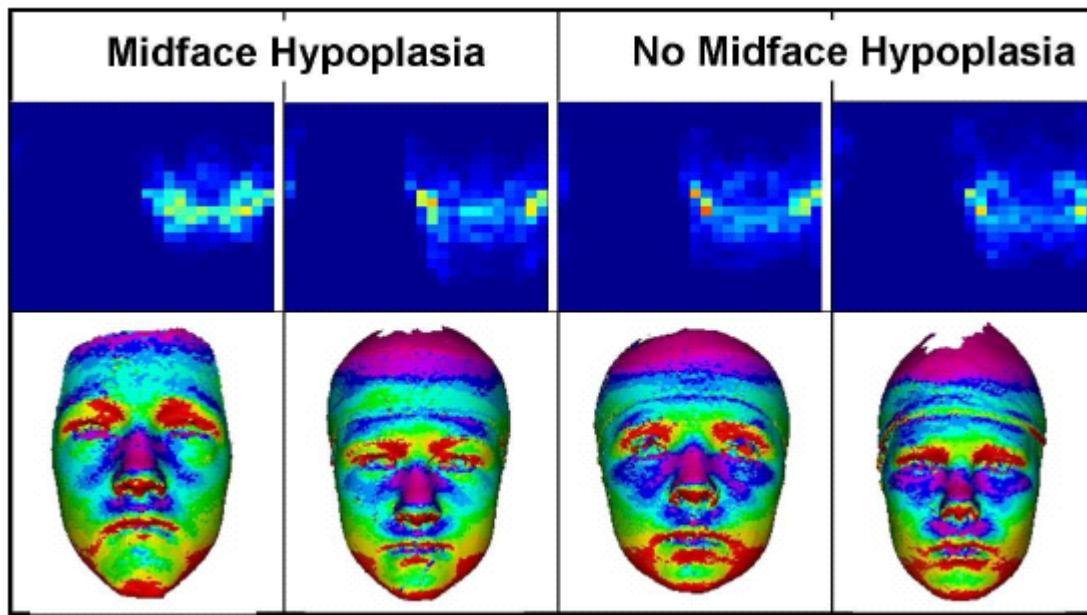


3D imaging  
MRI, CT



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

# Classification of 22q11.2DS



- Treat 2D azimuth-elevation angle histogram as feature vector

	8×8	16×16	24×24	32 × 32	Experts' median
Whole 2D hist	0.651	0.569	0.79	0.684	0.68