

# Computer Vision

## Chapter 2: Image formation, acquisition and digitization

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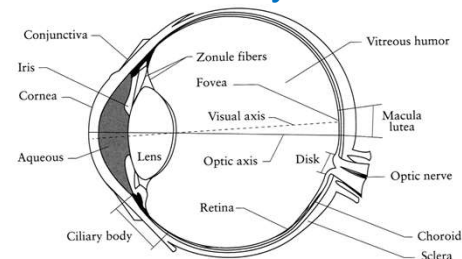
## Image formation

**Image formation** studies the forward process of producing images and videos.

- Image formation encompasses the radiometric and geometric processes by which 2D images of 3D objects are formed. To produce a real image, the nature of the visual sensors (i.e. CCD and CMOS cameras), should be studied.
- Imaging process is a [mapping of an object to an image plane](#).
- [With digital images](#), the image formation process also includes analog to digital conversion, [sampling](#)
- **Human color vision (Perception)** : In the case of computer vision the light incident on the sensor comprises the image. In the case of visual perception, the human eye has a color dependent response to light which is the spectral sensitivity of human vision.

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## Human vision: The Eye



- The human eye is a camera:
  - Optic system (**Lens**)
  - **Iris** - colored annulus with radial muscles
  - **Pupil** - the hole (aperture) whose size is controlled by the iris
    - What's the sensor? **Photoreceptor cells (rods and cones)** in the **Retina**
  - **Optic nerve**

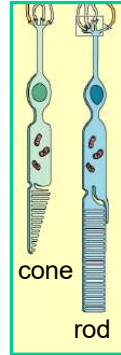
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## Two types of light-sensitive receptors of Retina

➤ Pattern human vision is afforded by the distribution of discrete light receptors over the surface of the retina with two types receptors: cones and rods

**Cones:** cone-shaped less sensitive operate in high light color vision. Number of cones between 6 and 7 million

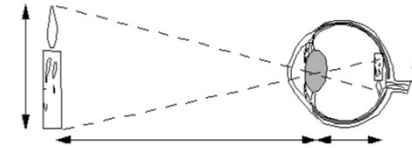
**Rods:** rod-shaped highly sensitive operate at night gray-scale vision. Number of rods is much large some 75 to 150 million distributed over the retinal surface



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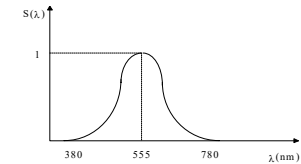
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## Image formation in the Eye



### • Perception: Brightness sensitivity

Wavelength sensitivity of the human vision.  
Spectral sensitivity

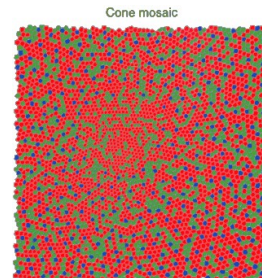
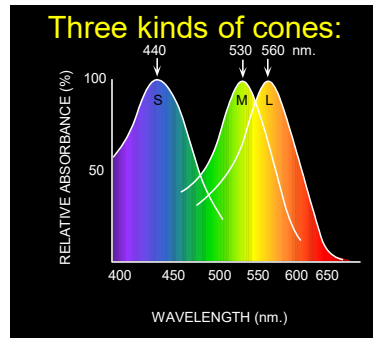


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## Perception: Physiology of Color Vision

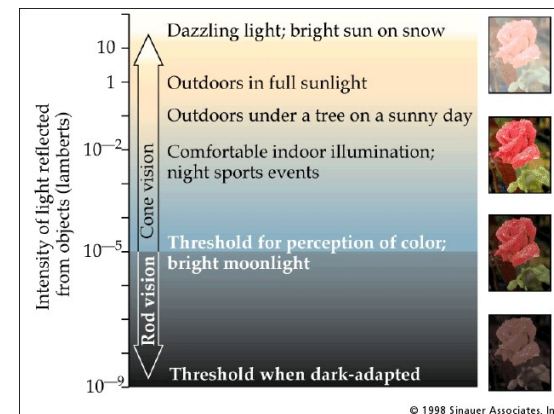
Perception: Color sensitivity



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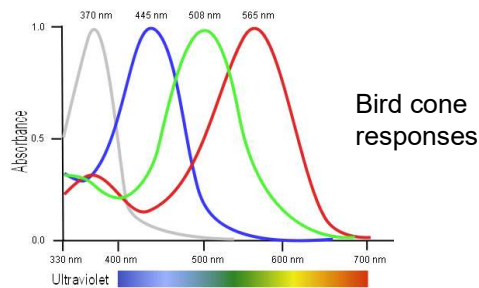
## Rod / Cone sensitivity



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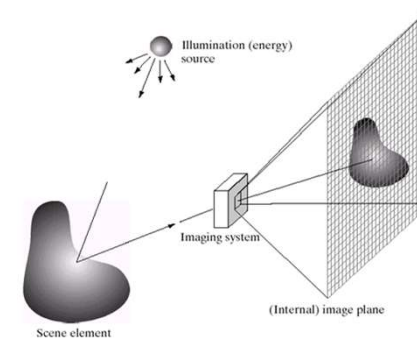
## Tetra-chromatism



- Most birds, and many other animals, have cones for ultraviolet light.
- Some humans seem to have four cones (12% of females).

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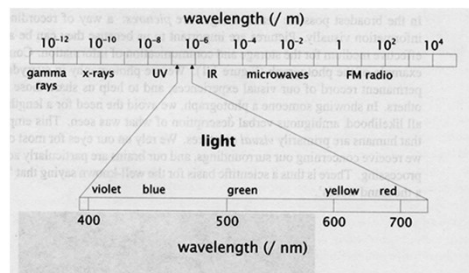
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## What is light?

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



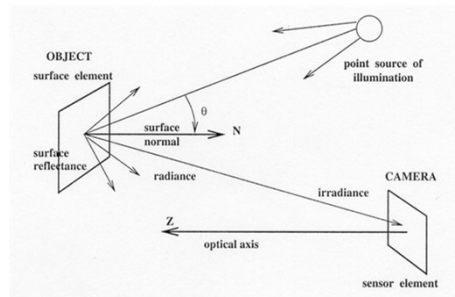
## Photometric image formation

- Illumination source: Sun, light ...
- Photometric measurement:
  - Perceptual brightness of visible electromagnetic energy of light.
- Optical system (lenses):
  - An object (scene) may be illuminated by the light from an emitting source.
  - The light incident on the object is reflected in a manner dependent on the surface properties of the object
  - An illuminated object will scatter light toward a lens and the lens will collect and focus the light to create the image
- Imaging sensor: CCD (charge-coupled device) or CMOS sensors cameras provide the 2D sensed signal.
- Digital camera: 2D sensed signal is pass to analog-to-digital converter (sampling), it create the digital image

## Photometric image formation

- Modeling the image formation process: 3D geometric features in the world are projected into 2D features in an image.
- A simplified model of photometric image formation is illustrated.

- The scene is illuminated by a single source.
- The scene reflects radiation towards the camera.
- The camera senses it via CCD/ CMOS

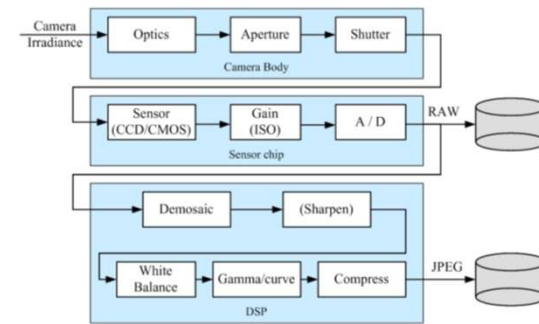


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## Acquisition and digitization: Digital camera

các thành phần trong camera



Digital camera: Image sensing and processing pipeline

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## Digital camera

- Image acquisition:** thu nhận ảnh thông qua sensor
  - Optical system, aperture (capture), shutter
  - Imaging sensor: CCD/ CMOS sensor camera consists of a array of photodiodes. Each cell in the is light-sensitive diode that converts photons to electrons.
  - 2D sensed signal of image, video
- Digitization (ADC):** Sampling and Quantization số hoá
  - Sampling the 2D sensed signal create the samples or pixels
  - Quantizing the sample values as the integer values of pixels
- Processing (DSP- Digital Signal Processing):** tiền xử lý
  - Cameras perform a variety of digital signal processing operations to enhance the image before compressing and storing the pixel values in standard format file.

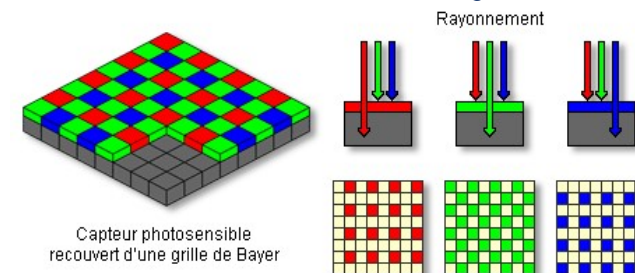


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## Imaging sensor: CCD/ CMOS array an example

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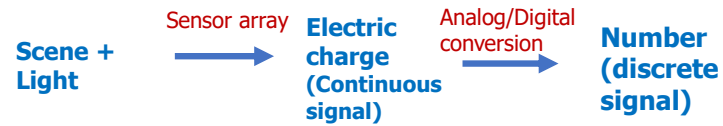
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## Real scene -> digital Image

quá trình số hoá



**Digitization** = **Sampling** (lấy mẫu),  
**Quantization** (Lượng tử hóa)

**Pixel of image** : Sample of digital image signal



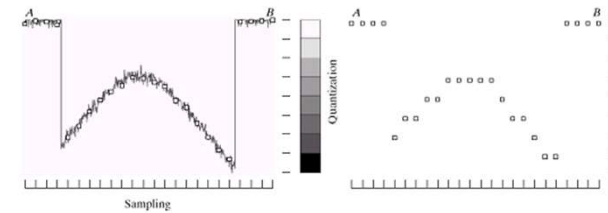
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## Sampling and quantization

- **Sample** the 2D space on a regular grid quyết định mức độ chi tiết của đối tượng quan sát được
- **Quantize** each sample value (round to nearest integer) nhóm các giá trị quyết định giá trị khác nhau của mỗi pixel trong ảnh gần nhau



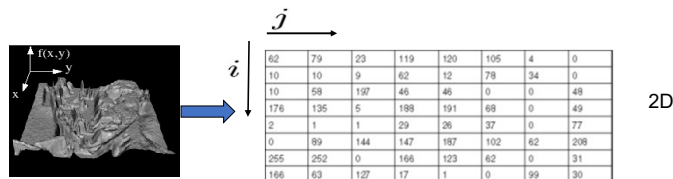
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## Sampling and quantization

- **Sample** the 2D space on a regular grid
- **Quantize** each sample value (round to nearest integer)

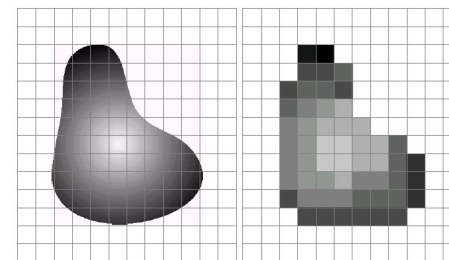


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## Digital image



**FIGURE 2.17** (a) Continuous image projected onto a sensor array. (b) Result of image sampling and quantization.



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## Spatial resolution (sampling)



200 X 278

50 X 70

12 X 18



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## Gray-level (Quantization)



8 bits

4 bits

2 bits



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## Color spaces Không gian màu

- Color spaces; different types of color modes
- Color represented by vector of components
  - ❖ Red, Green, Blue (**RGB**)
  - ❖ Hue, Saturation, Value (**HSV**)
  - ❖ Luminance, chrominance (**YUV, LUV**)
  - ❖ **XYZ**
- Color convert: RGB – YUV

$$Y = 0.299R + 0.587G + 0.114B$$

$$U = 0.493 (B - Y) ; V = 0.877 (R - Y)$$

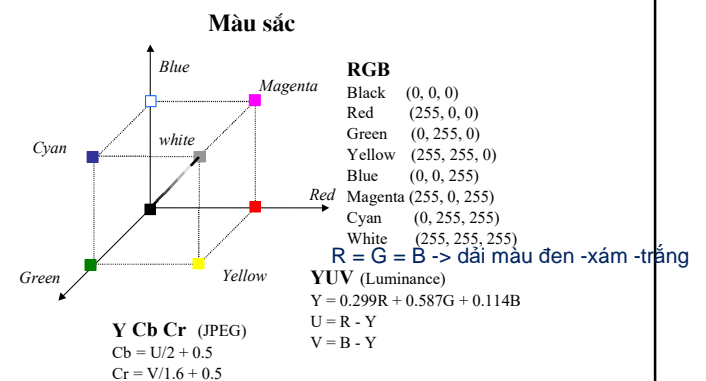
$$\begin{bmatrix} Y \\ C_R \\ C_B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.257 & 0.504 & 0.098 \\ 0.439 & -0.368 & -0.071 \\ -0.148 & -0.291 & 0.439 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 128 \\ 128 \end{bmatrix}$$



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## Color coordinate system



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## Color: Additive/Subtractive primary color

- **Primary color:** Red, Green, Blue (RGB)
  - **Additive colors:**
    - Combination of RGB can be mixed to produce Cyan, Magenta, Yellow (CMY) & White.
    - **Additive color reproduction system:**
      - Combination of RGB to reproduce a colored light.
  - **Subtractive colors** CMY can be mixed to produce RGB & black không gian màu CMY là không gian màu bù trừ của RGB
    - **Subtractive color reproduction system:** A white light sequentially passes through cyan, magenta, yellow filters to reproduce a colored light.
- tổng hợp bằng cách cho ánh sáng trắng đi qua màu cyan , magenta , yellow



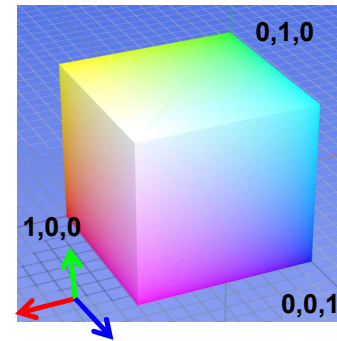
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nhược điểm : không tách được thông tin độ sáng và màu sắc riêng

## Color spaces: RGB

Default color space



Any color =  $r \cdot R + g \cdot G + b \cdot B$

- Strongly correlated channels
- Non-perceptual



**R = 1**  
(G=0,B=0)



**G = 1**  
(R=0,B=0)



**B = 1**  
(R=0,G=0)

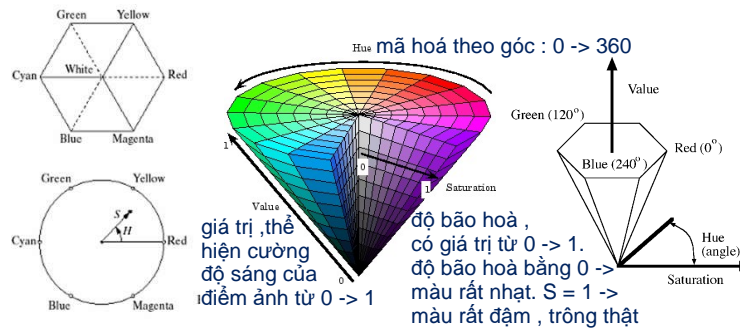


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## Nonlinear color spaces: HSV



- Perceptually meaningful dimensions:
  - Hue, Saturation (chroma) thể hiện màu sắc của bức ảnh
  - Value (Intensity)



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## HSV (Hue – Saturation- Value)

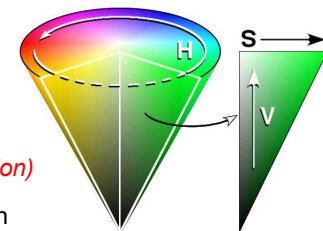
- The Hue-Saturation-Value (HSV) color space is use for segmentation and recognition

- Non-linear conversion
- Visual representation of colors

- We identify for a pixel:

- The pixel *intensity* (value)
- The pixel *color* (hue + saturation)

- RGB does not have this separation



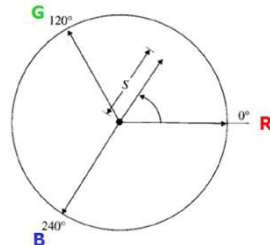
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## HSV (Hue – Saturation- Value)

- **Hue (H)** is coded as an angle between 0 and 360
- **Saturation (S)** is coded as a radius between 0 and 1
  - $S = 0$  : gray
  - $S = 1$  : pure color
- **Value (V)** = MAX (Red, Green, Blue)



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## HSV (Hue – Saturation- Value)

- If we know the color of the object we are looking for, can model it using a **hue interval**
- Take care, because it is an angle (periodic value)
  - $\text{Hue} < 60^\circ$  means nothing
    - Is  $350^\circ$  smaller or bigger than  $60^\circ$ ? *định nghĩa theo khoảng*
  - Define an interval:  $350^\circ < \text{Hue} < 60^\circ$  (for example)
- This interval is valid if **Saturation > threshold** (otherwise gray level)
- This is **independent of Value**, which is more sensible to light conditions

S và V cần lớn hơn 1 ngưỡng nào đấy, vì nếu S quá thấp -> ảnh nhạt gần như là màu trắng, còn V quá thấp -> ảnh tối



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## Lab color space

tương tự như HSV, phân biệt được các thông tin liên quan đến độ sáng và màu

- The **Lab** system (sometimes **L\*a\*b\***) is based on a study from human vision
  - independent from all technologies
  - presenting colors as seen by the human eyes
- Colors are defined using 3 values
  - **L** is the luminance, going from 0% (black) to 100% (white) L thể hiện cường độ sáng, thay đổi từ 0(tối) -> 100 (sáng)
  - **a\*** represents an axis going from green (negative value, -127) to red (positive value, +127) a, b thể hiện màu sắc, bắt đầu từ -127 -> 127
  - **b\*** represents an axis going from blue (negative value, -127) to yellow (positive value, +127)

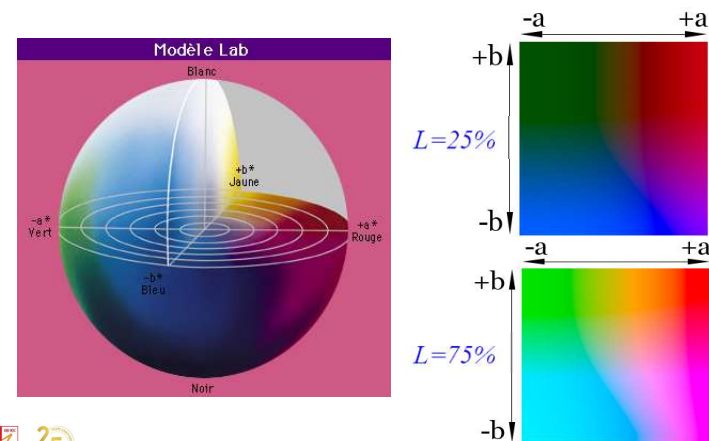


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## Lab color space



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## Color space vs. illumination conditions

- collected 10 images of the cube under varying illumination conditions



- separately cropped every color to get 6 datasets for the 6 different colors



Changes in color due to varying illumination conditions

- Compute the density plot: Check the distribution of a particular color say, blue or yellow in different color spaces. The density plot or the 2D Histogram gives an idea about the variations in values for a given color



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## Color space vs illumination conditions

- Different illumination:

- RGB space: the variation in the value of channels is very high
- HSV: compact in **H**. Only H contains information about the absolute color → a choice
- YCrCb, LAB: compact in **CrCb** and in **AB**
  - Higher level of compactness is in LAB
- Convert to other color spaces (OpenCV):

- `cvtColor(bgr, ycb, COLOR_BGR2YCrCb);`
- `cvtColor(bgr, hsv, COLOR_BGR2HSV);`
- `cvtColor(bgr, lab, COLOR_BGR2Lab);`



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## Image representation: biểu diễn ảnh Continuous Images as functions

- Monochromatic Image: A continuous brightness function of a number of variables  $f$ , from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ :
  - $f(x, y)$  gives the intensity at position  $(x, y)$  thể hiện cường độ tại điểm  $(x, y)$
  - Realistically, we expect the image only to be defined over a rectangle, with a finite range
- A color image include 3 brightness functions of 3 color pasted together (3 color component signals). We can write this as a “vector-valued” function:

$$f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} r(x, y) \\ g(x, y) \\ b(x, y) \end{bmatrix}$$

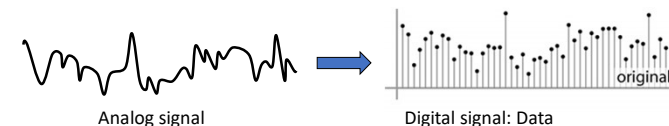
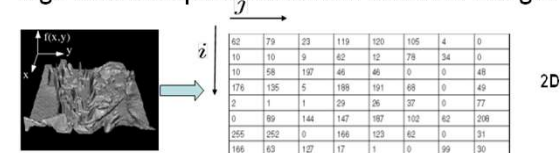


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## Digital images representation

- Sample the 2D space on a regular grid is pixel
- Quantize each sample (round to nearest integer)
- Image data is represented as a matrix of integer values.



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## Definition: Digital images

- Digital image functions  $f$  represented as matrices  $X(i,j)$ .
- Image data** is represented by a rectangular array of integers
- An integer represents the brightness or darkness of the monochromatic image at that point (pixel). Limited brightness: giá trị 0 -> 255 (8 bit)  
integer values (8 bit) = gray levels = values 0 to 255
- Definition: Digital image is a matrix  $X(i,j)$**  of pixels, N: number of rows, M: number of columns, Q: integer brightness values (levels) of pixels

$$X(i, j) = \begin{matrix} f(0,0) & f(0,1) & \dots & f(0,M-1) \\ f(1,0) & f(1,1) & \dots & f(1,M-1) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ f(N-1,0) & f(N-1,1) & \dots & f(N-1,M-1) \end{matrix}$$

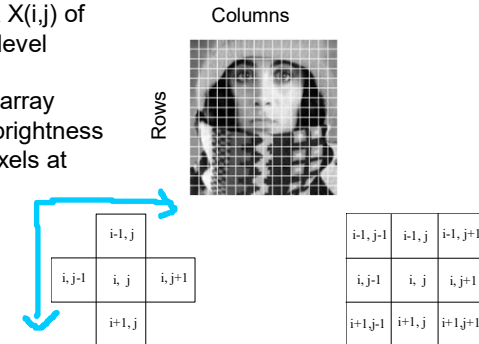


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## Digital gray image

- Example: Matrix  $X(i,j)$  of pixels of a gray level image
- Image data: 2D array  $X(i,j)$  of integer brightness value uint8 of pixels at coordinates  $(i,j)$ .

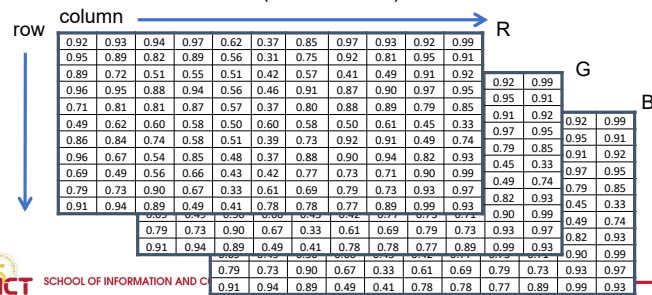


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## RGB color images in Matlab

- Images represented as a matrix  $X(i,j)$
- Suppose we have a  $N \times M$  RGB image called "Im"
  - $Im(1,1,1)$  = top-left pixel value in R-channel
  - $Im(y, x, b)$  = y pixels down, x pixels to right in the  $b^{\text{th}}$  channel
  - $Im(N, M, 3)$  = bottom-right pixel in B-channel
- `imread(filename)` returns a uint8 image (values 0 to 255)
  - Convert to double format (values 0 to 1) with `im2double`



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## Digital image format

### Parameters for digital image formats:

- Digital image resolution:** (height x width) in pixels
- Quantization** (bits per pixel):

Gray level image: 8 bits/ pixel

RGB color image: 24 bits/ pixel

Binary image: 1 bit/ pixel

### Digital Image Storage: file stored in two parts: Header; Data

### Common image file formats:

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



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## Digital video format

- Parameters for digital video formats
  - Digital image resolution (height x width) in pixels
  - Quantization (bits per pixel)
  - Frame rate (frames per second)
- Standard video file formats
  - AVI, M-JPEG,
  - H26X (ITU\_T:H.261, H.263, H.263, H264)
  - MPEG-1, MPEG-2, MPEG-4 Part 10 / H264 AVC, mp4...



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