

The background features three large, overlapping, hand-drawn style swirls in purple, green, and blue. Scattered around these swirls are several yellow starburst shapes, each composed of multiple small triangles pointing outwards.

Visual Computing

CS 211A



The Course

- Introductory Graphics, Vision and Image Processing course
- Prerequisite for Advanced Graphics and Vision courses
- Visual Computing concentration



Course Format

- Lecture Format
 - Text Book: Intro to Visual Computing by A. Majumder and M. Gopi
- 4 Programming Assignments (3 people group)
 - IP, Vision, Graphics, Final project
- 1 Midterm and Final
- Use the noteboard effectively
- Schedule is online



Grading and Office hours

- Do not worry about grades
- Learning is the priority
- Tentative Policy
 - Programming Assignment – 20%
 - Midterm – 30%
 - Final – 50%
- Instructor Office Hours
 - Thursday – 3-4pm



Course Motivation

- What is Visual Computing?
 - Use of computing to perform the functions of the human visual system
- Traverses within several traditional domains
 - Computer Vision
 - Computer Graphics
 - Image Processing
- Addresses converging domains



Course Organization

- Image-based visual computing
- Geometric visual computing
- Radiometric visual computing
- Visual content synthesis

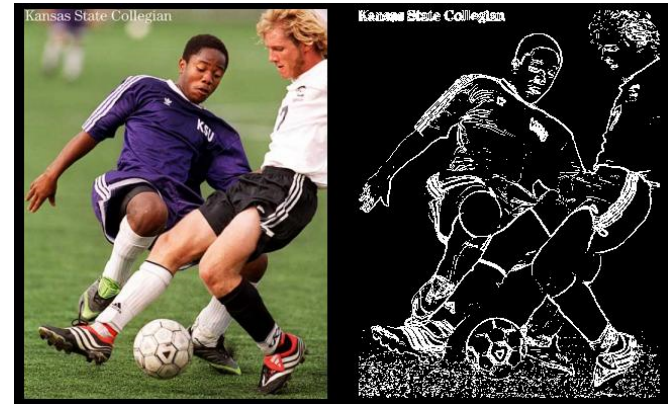


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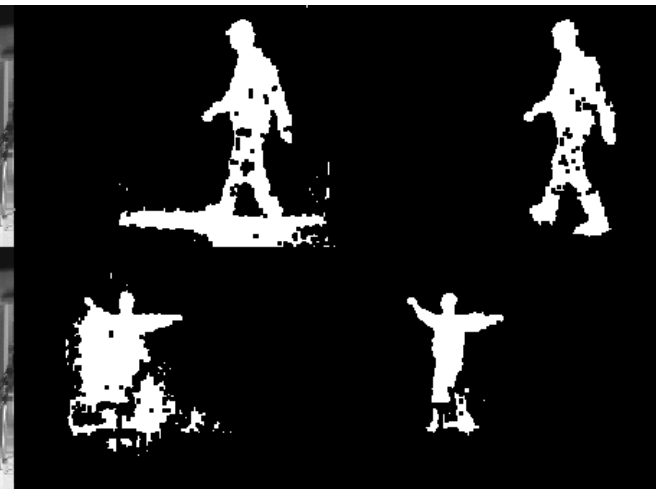
- Image-based visual computing
 - Low level vision in eye
- Geometric visual computing
 - Higher level vision
 - Combining information from two eyes
- Radiometric visual computing
 - Processing light and object interaction
- Visual content synthesis
 - Synthesize realistic 3D worlds

Image Based Visual Computing

- Detecting features
- Background removal
- Image Segmentation



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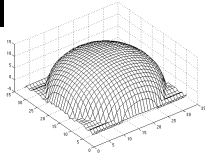
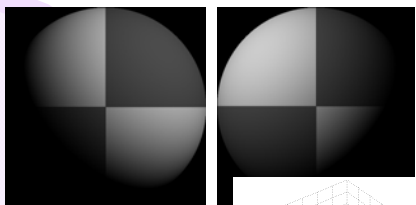
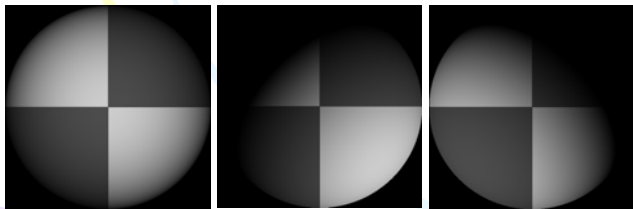


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Geometric Visual Computing

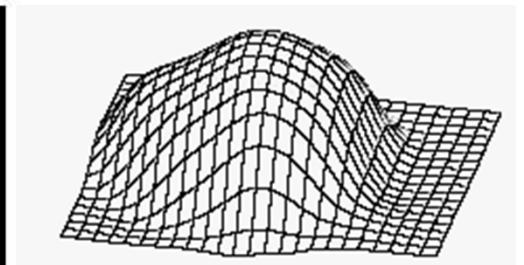
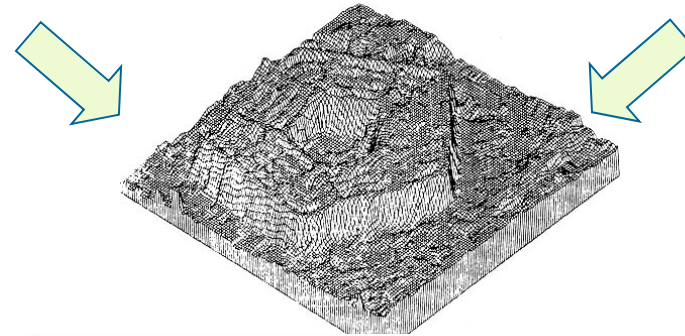
- Detecting shapes
 - Binocular cues
 - Shading cues
 - Texture Cues
 - Motion Cues



Left Eye



Right Eye



Radiometric Visual Computing

- High dynamic range imaging



Sky
oversaturated



Ground
undersaturated



HDR
image

- Perceiving reflectances



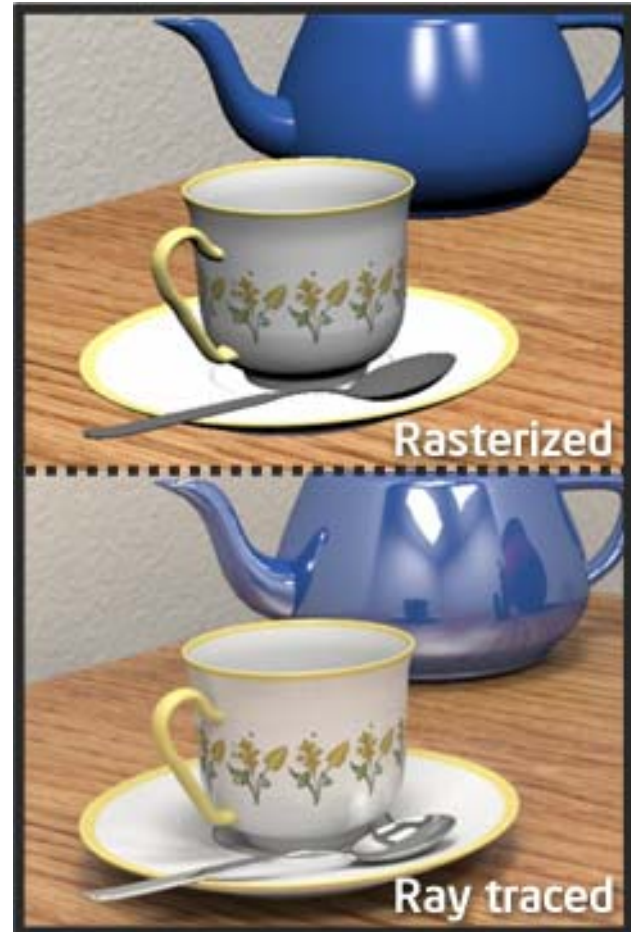
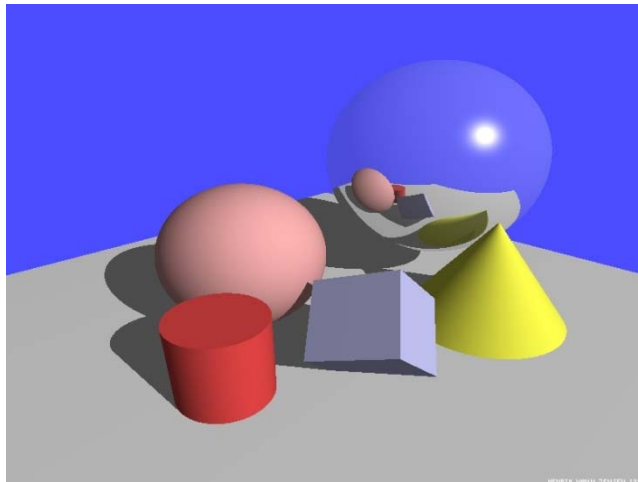
Visual Content Synthesis

- Can we reverse engineer?
 - Fool the eye? (e.g. Perfect Storm)
- Effects
 - Geometry
 - Lighting
 - Material
 - Motion
 - Trade off between time and quality

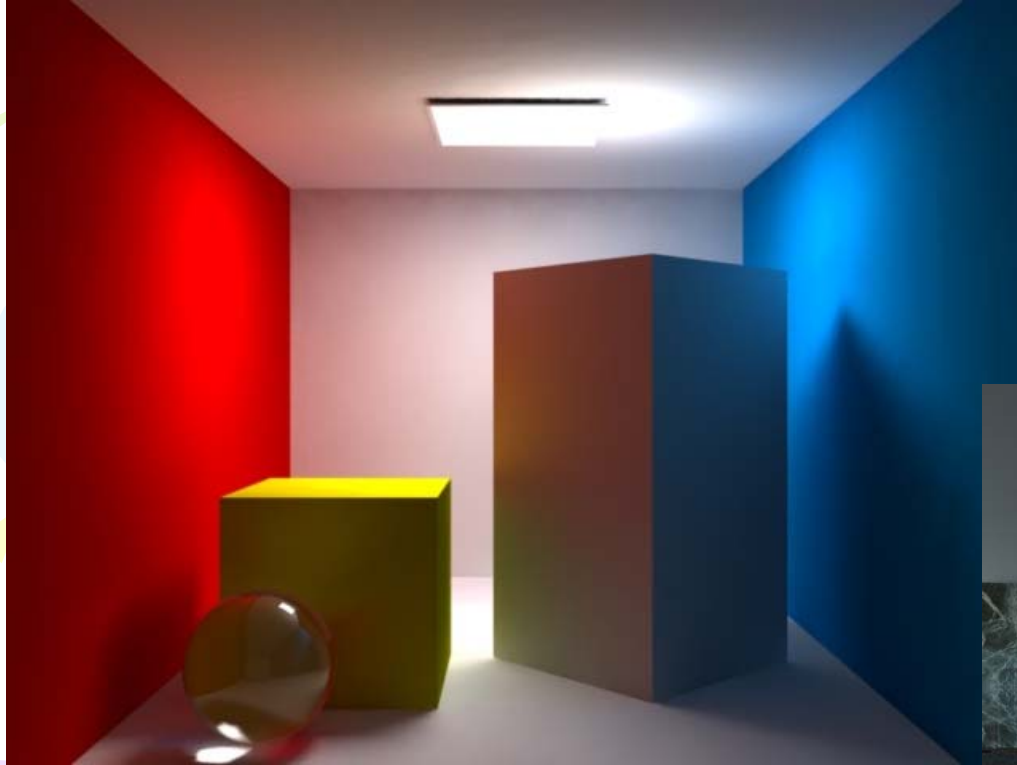
Bump and Environment Map



With more time...



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Materials: Subsurface Scattering



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Materials: Translucency



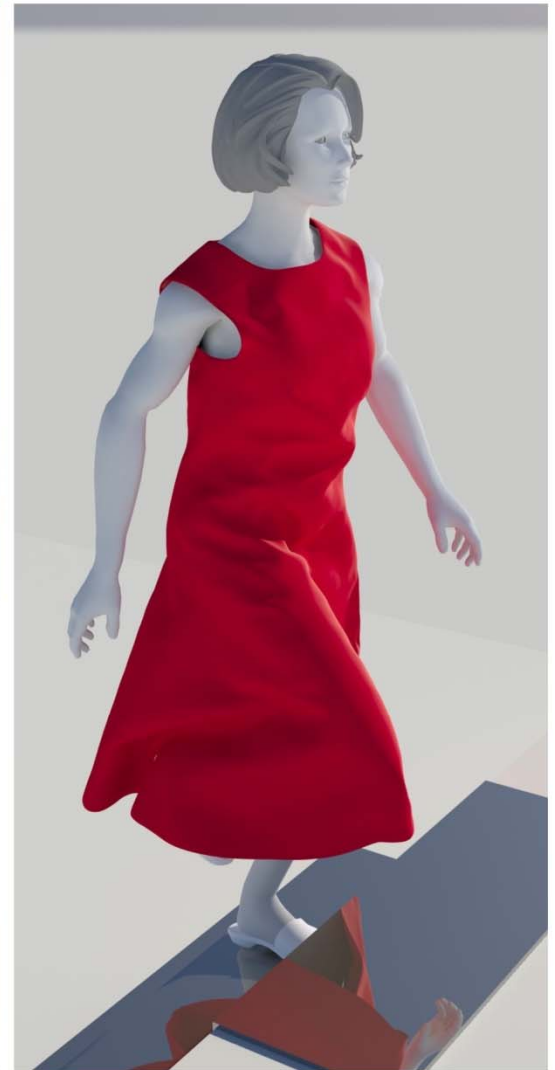
Different levels of subsurface scattering (increasing from left to right) on Venus

Merge real and synthetic



Show Fiat Lux

Simulation



Non Photorealistic Rendering



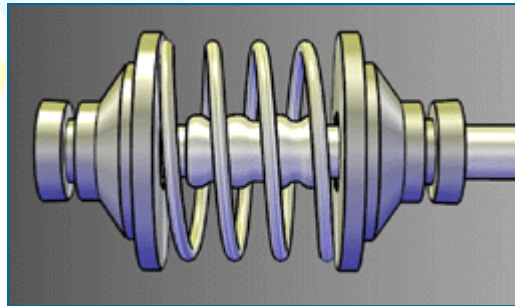
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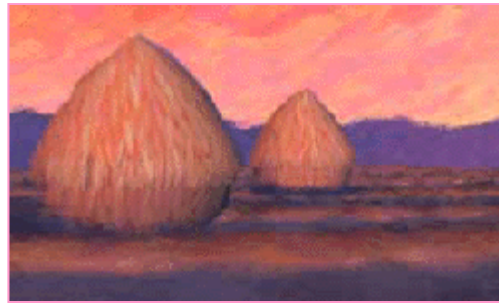
Painterly Rendering



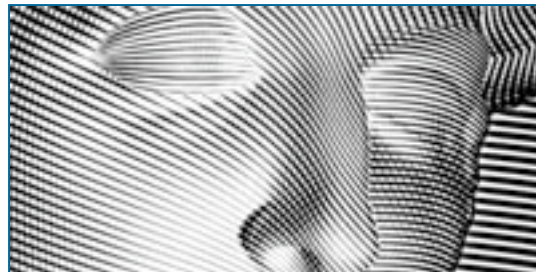
Pen and Ink



Illustrations



Painterly Rendering



Dithering



Engraving



Fur and
Grass



This class

- We will NOT learn ALL of these
- Provide you with the fundamentals so that you can learn all of these