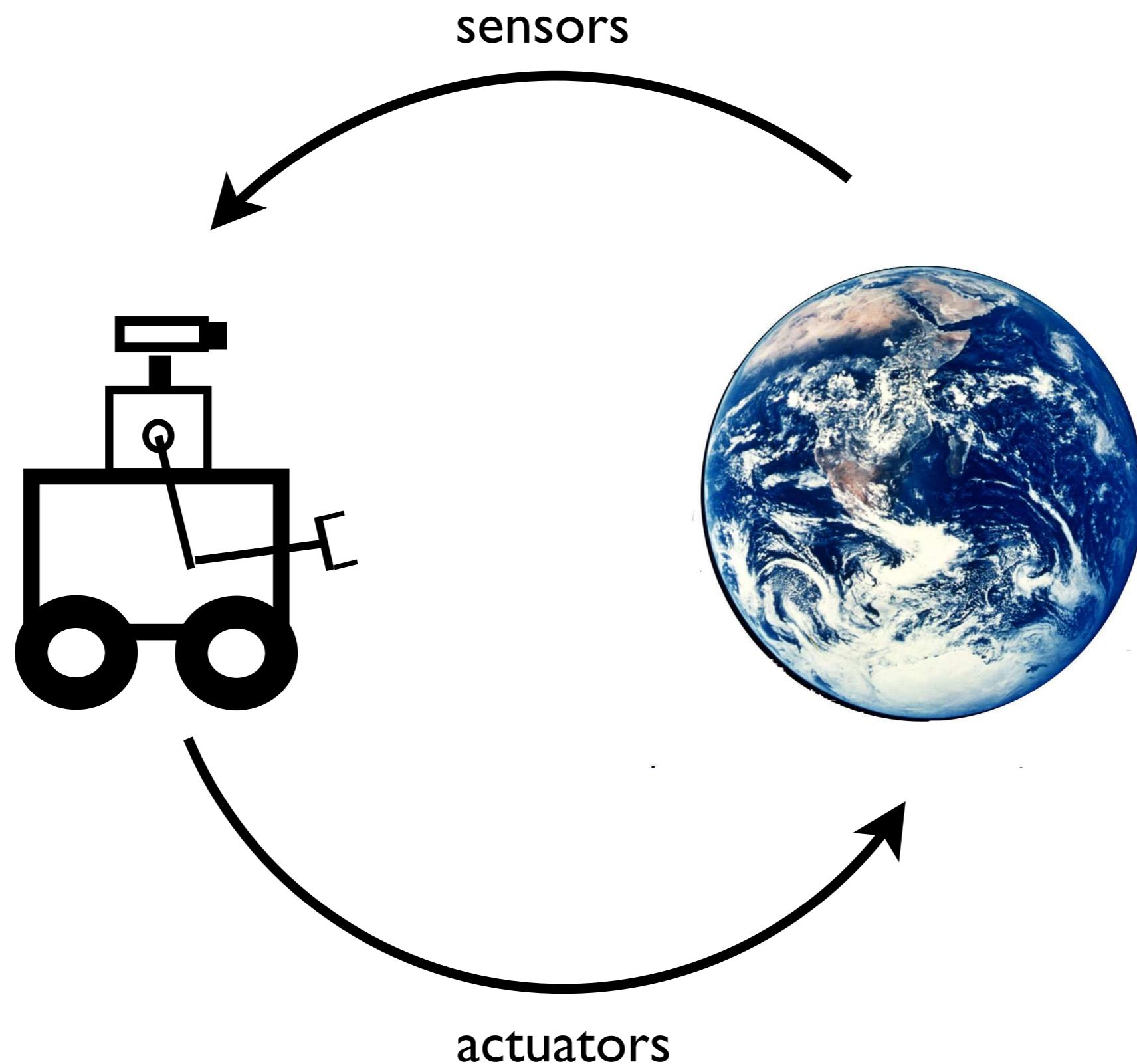
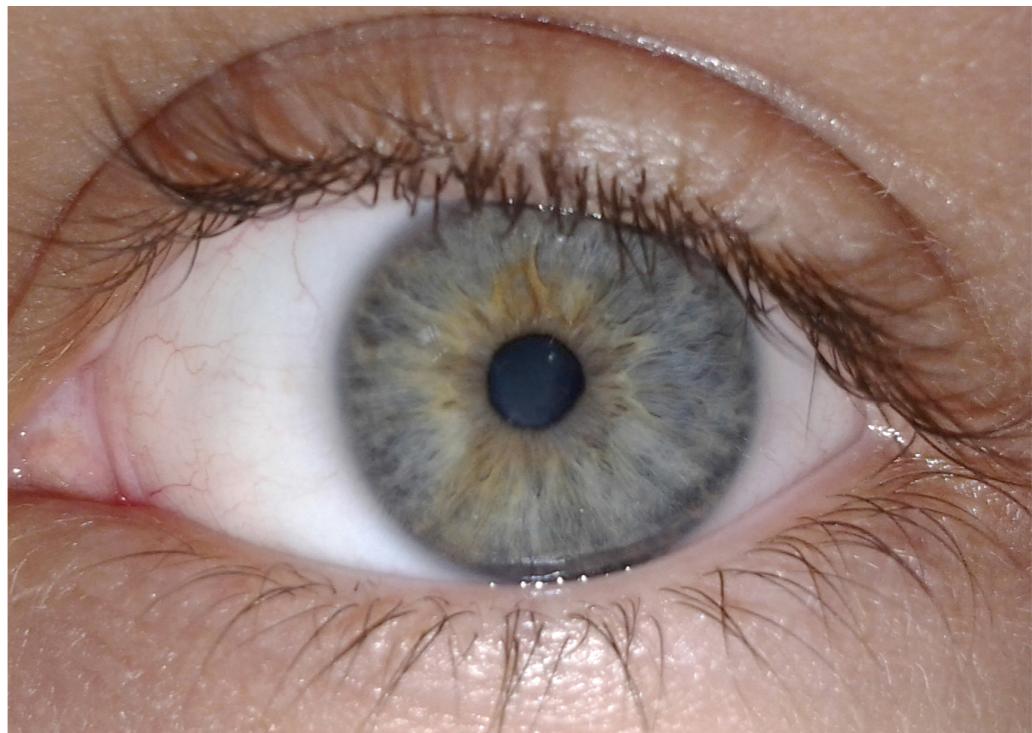
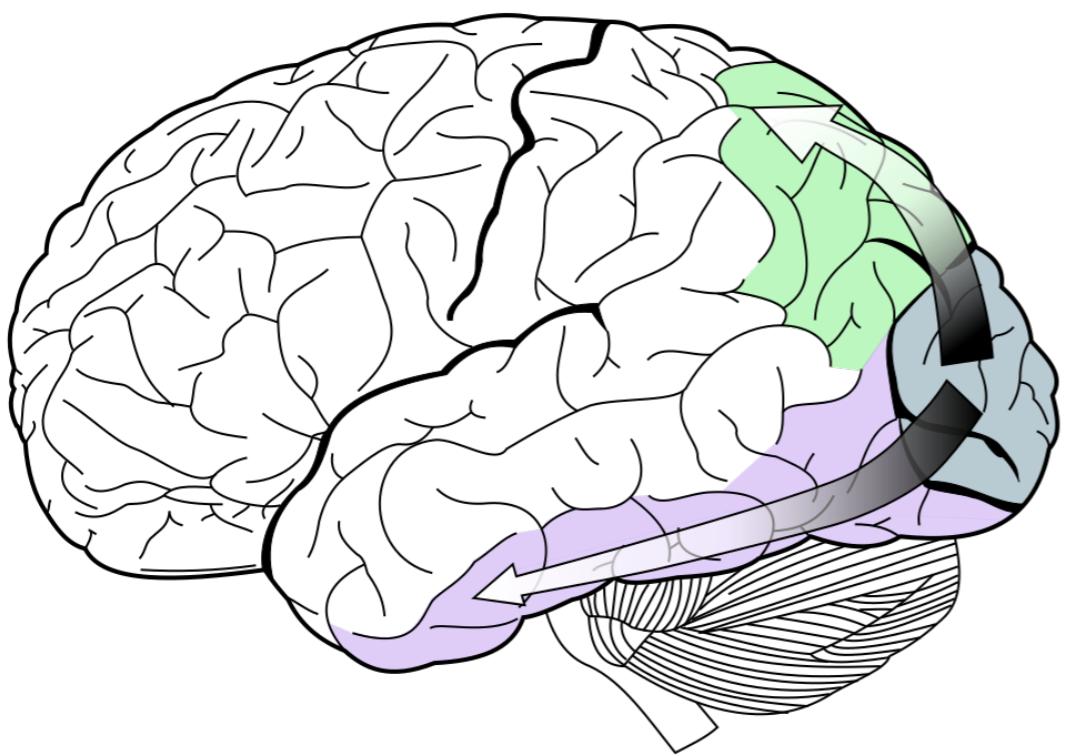
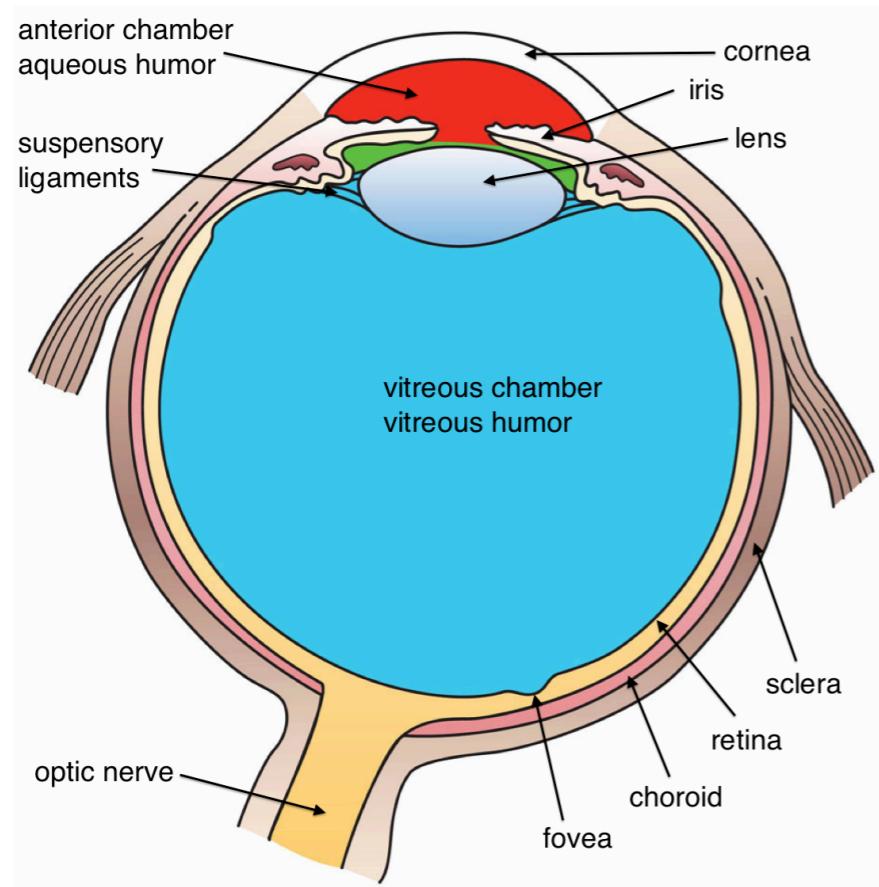


Computer Vision

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Google flower

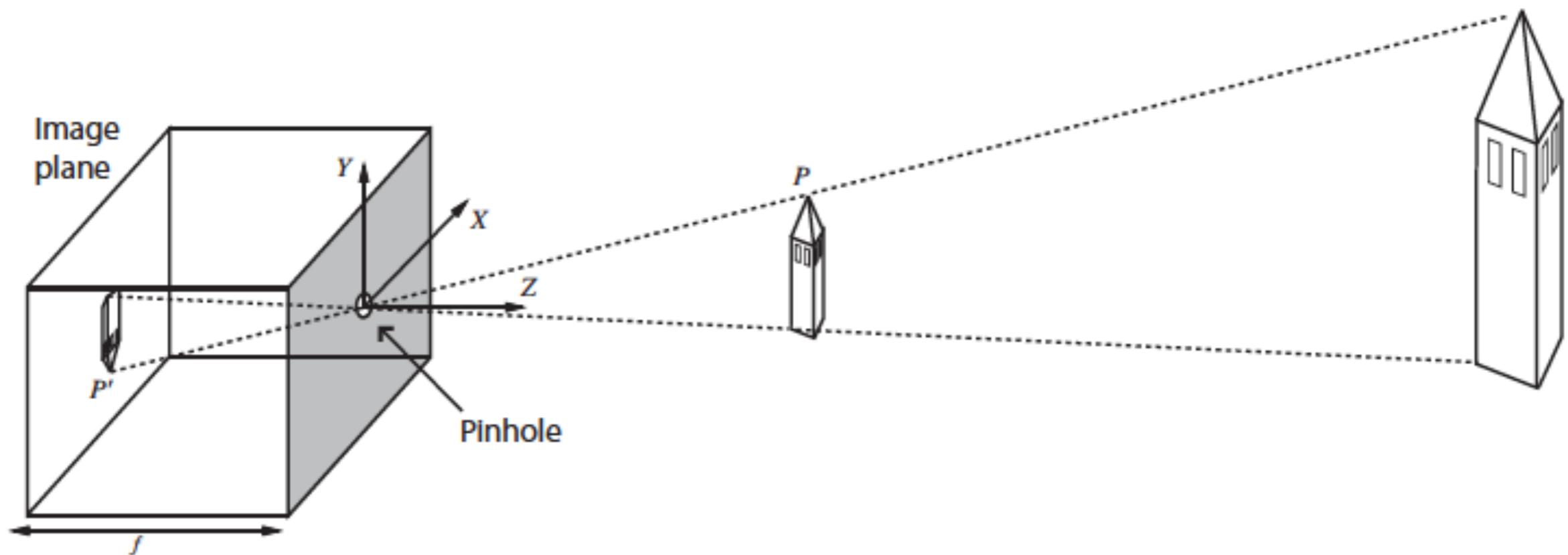
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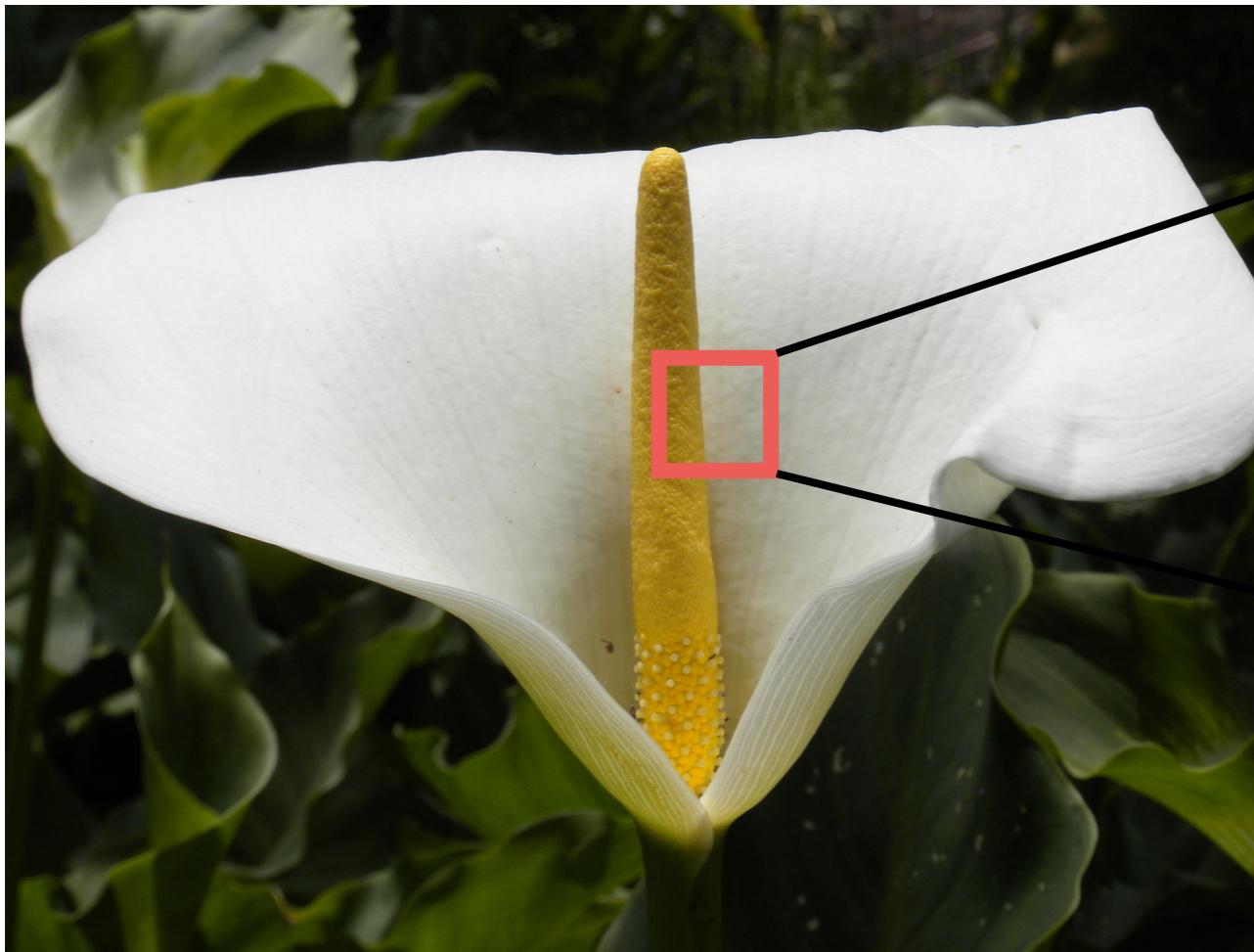
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Image Capture



[R&N]

What's an Image?

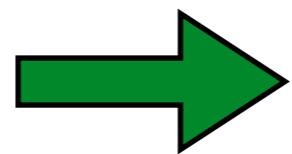


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84, 91,220 **141,122,216** **251,244,241**
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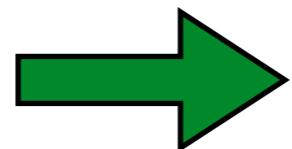


Computer Vision

Image preprocessing

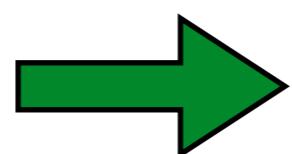


Recognition



flower

Reconstruction



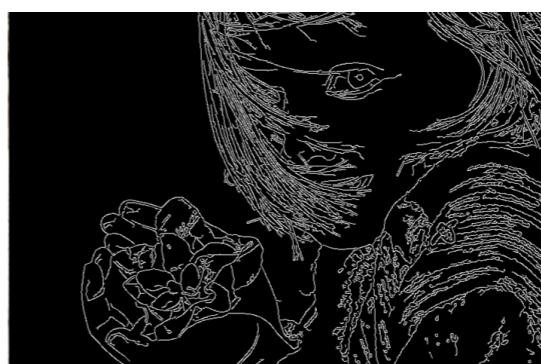
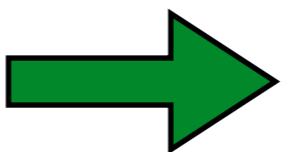
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Image Preprocessing

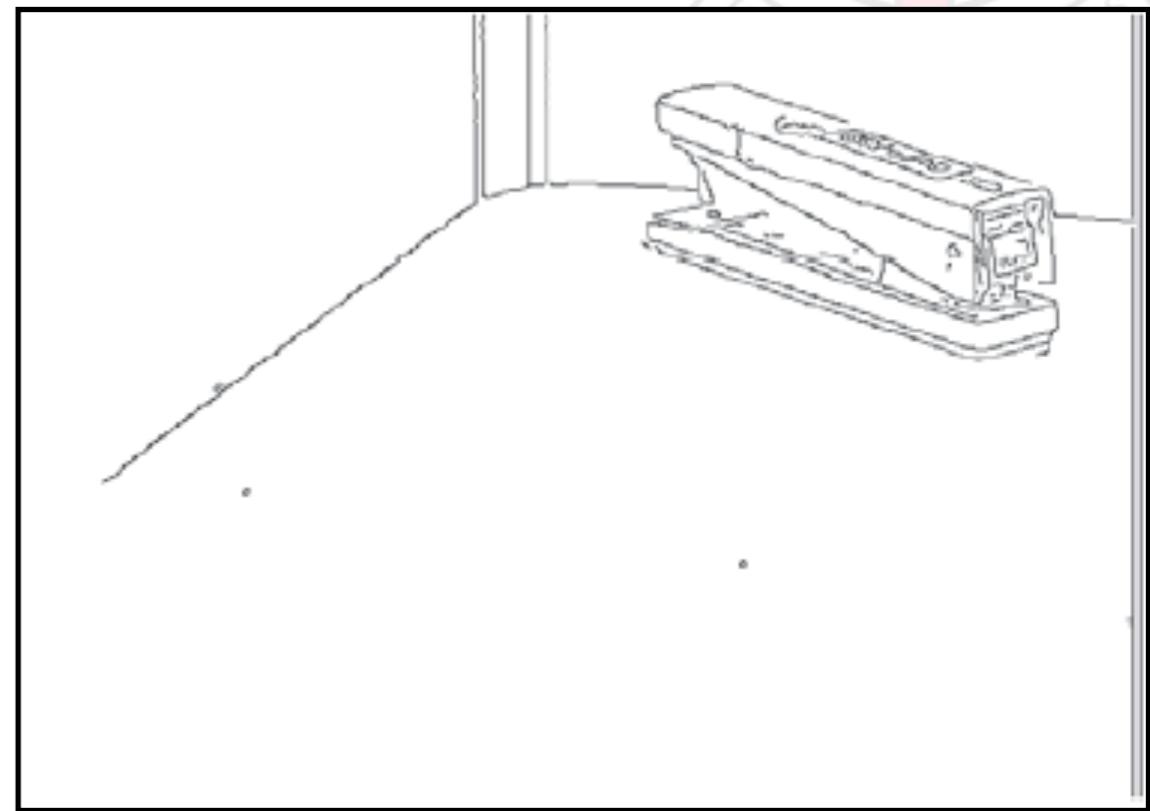
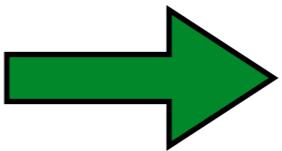
Collection of methods

Typically:

- Low-level
- Repetitive
- Local
- Easy to parallelize
- Serve as input to later processing



Edge Detection



[R&N]



What's an Edge?



“Edges are straight lines or curves in the image space across which there is a “significant” change in image brightness.”

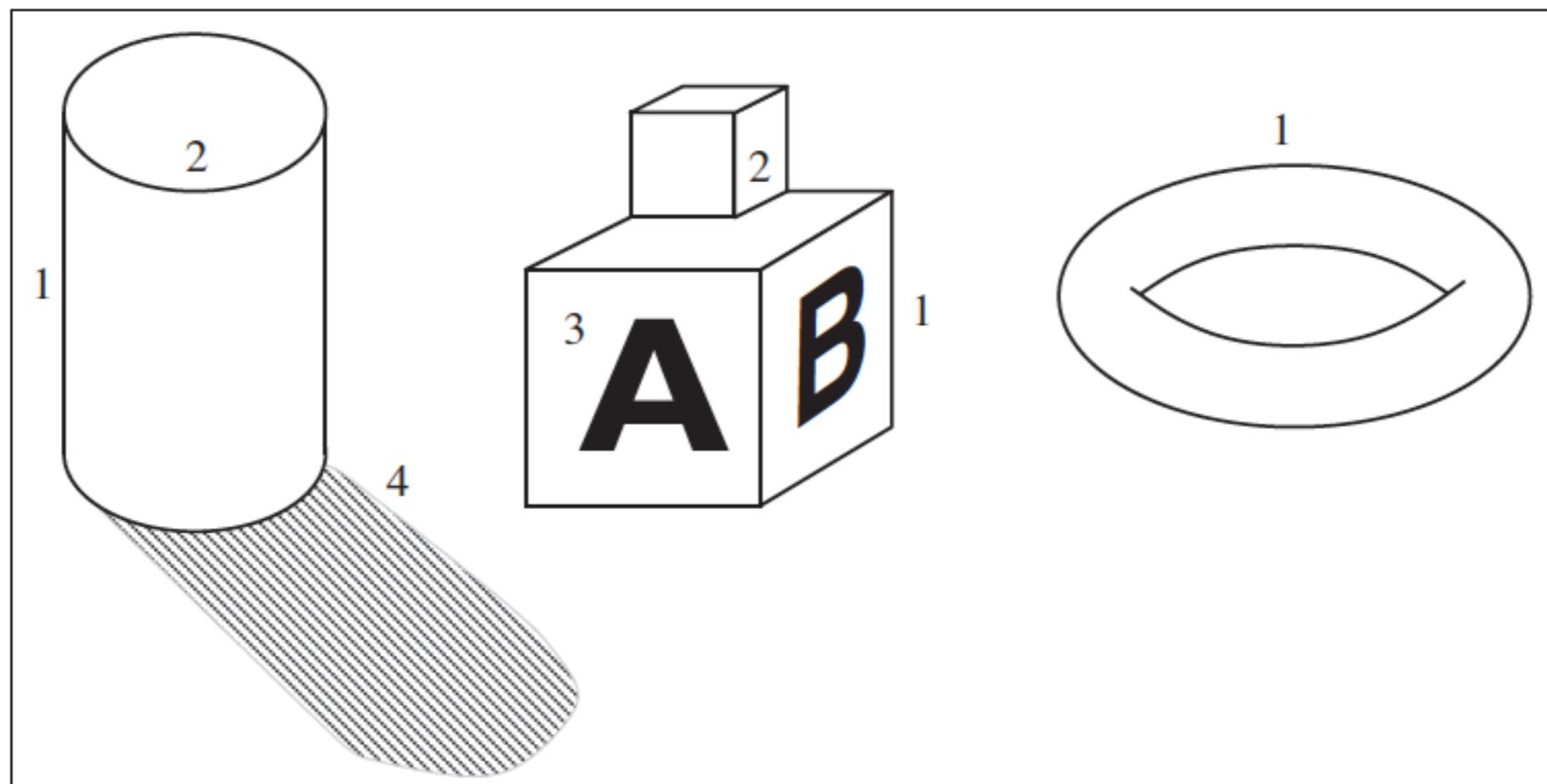


Figure 24.6 Different kinds of edges: (1) depth discontinuities; (2) surface orientation discontinuities; (3) reflectance discontinuities; (4) illumination discontinuities (shadows).



Finding Edges

That gives us a hint!

Compute the derivative of brightness with respect to position.

Brightness:

- Average RGB pixel values:

$$Blm(x, y) = (Im(x, y).r + Im(x, y).g + Im(x, y).b)/3$$

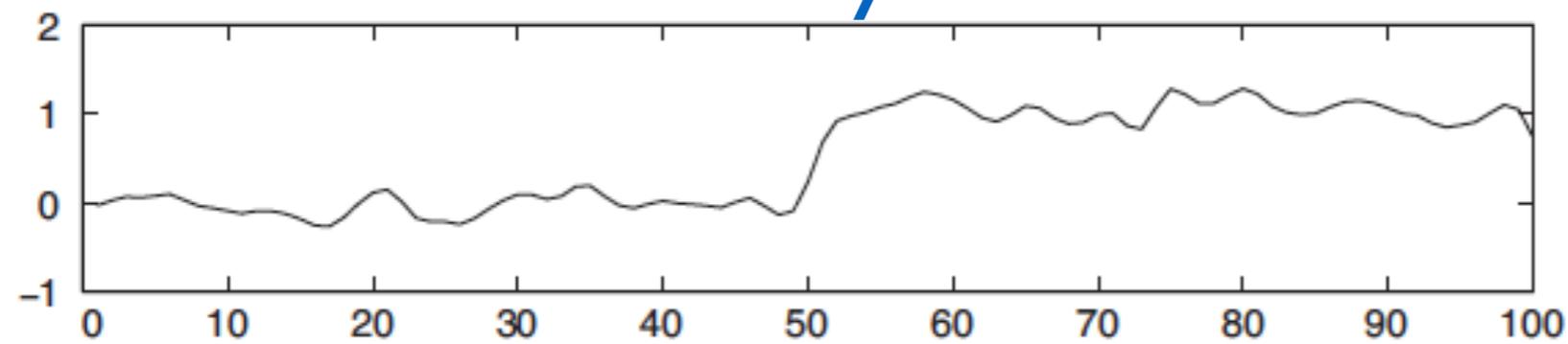
Derivative:

- Take a vertical slice of the image $H_i = Blm(i, :)$
- Compute brightness difference between $H_i(x)$ and $H_i(x+1)$

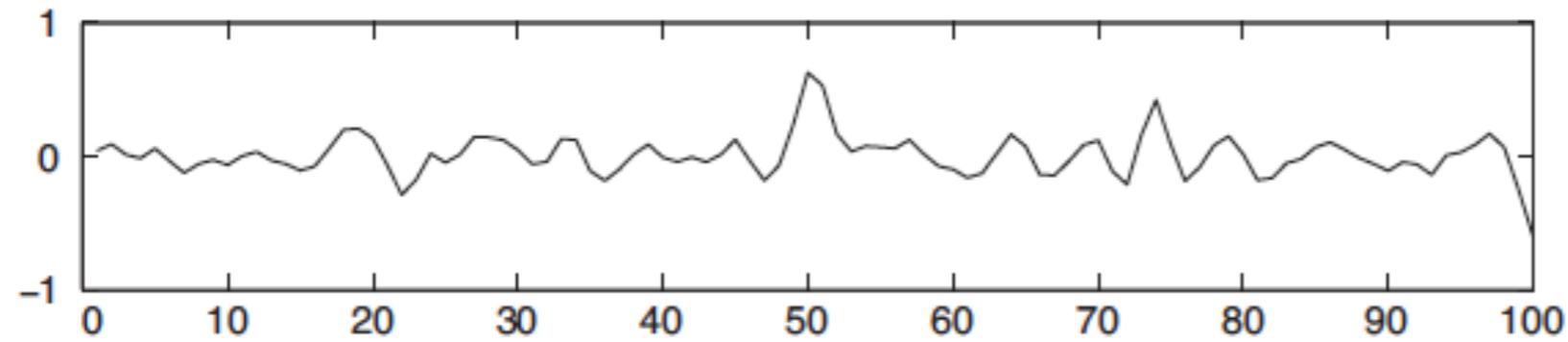


Finding Edges

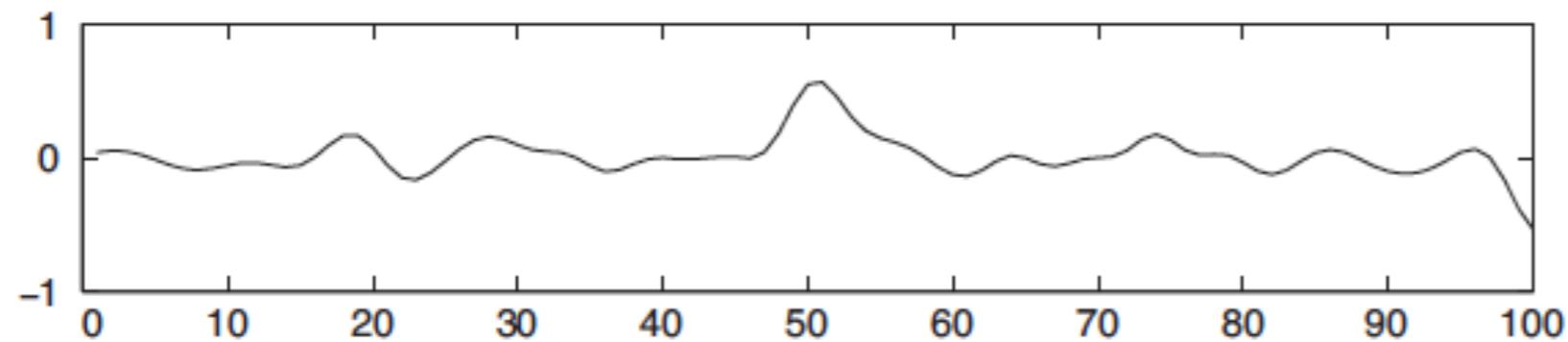
intensity



derivative



smoothed
derivative



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Canny Edge Detector

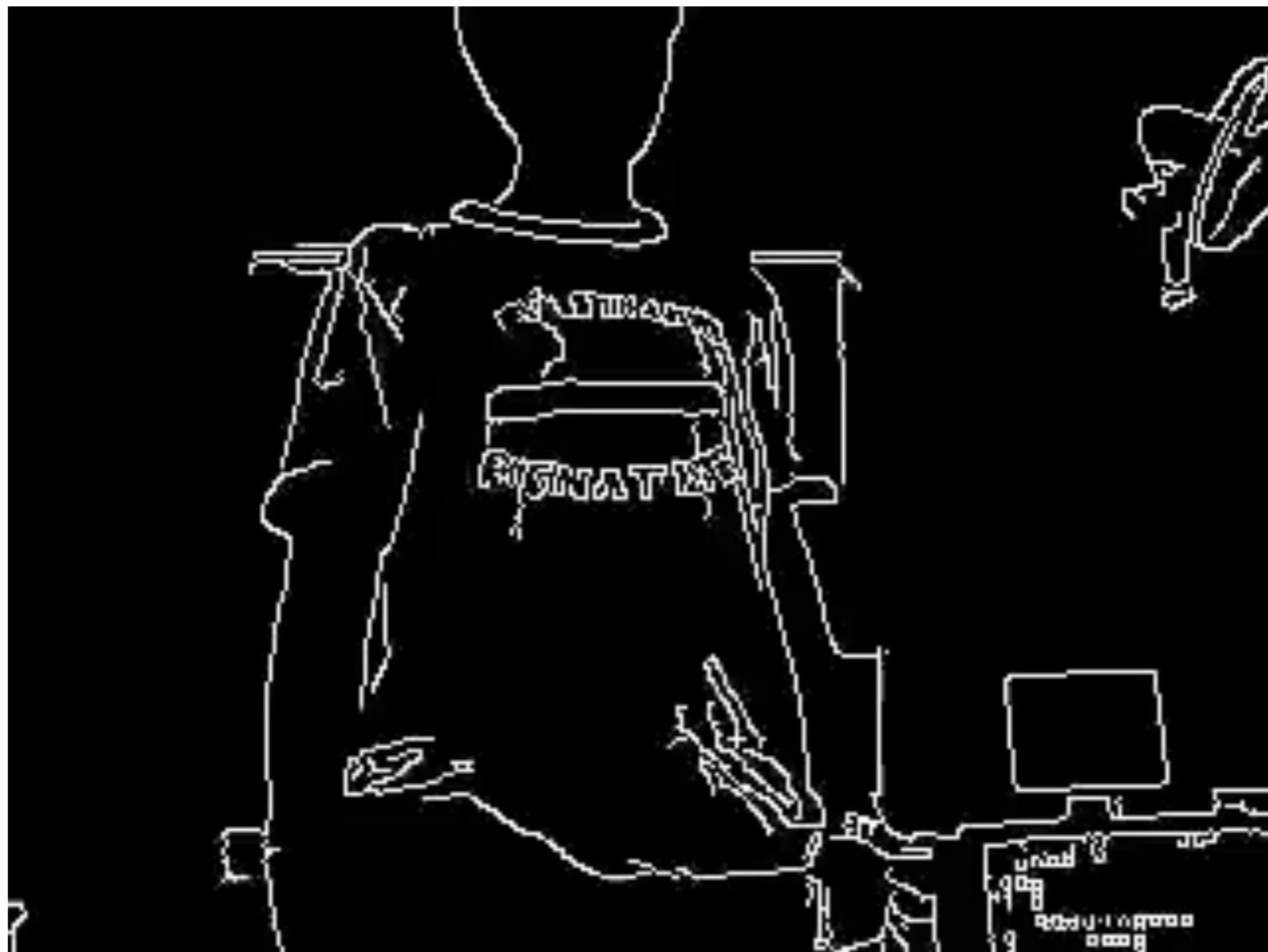
Classic and very accurate edge detector.



Five steps:

- Gaussian filter to smooth image (reduce noise)
- Find intensity gradients (horizontal, vertical, diagonal)
- Non-maximum suppression
- Threshold to get edges
- Edge tracking: keep only “connected” edges.

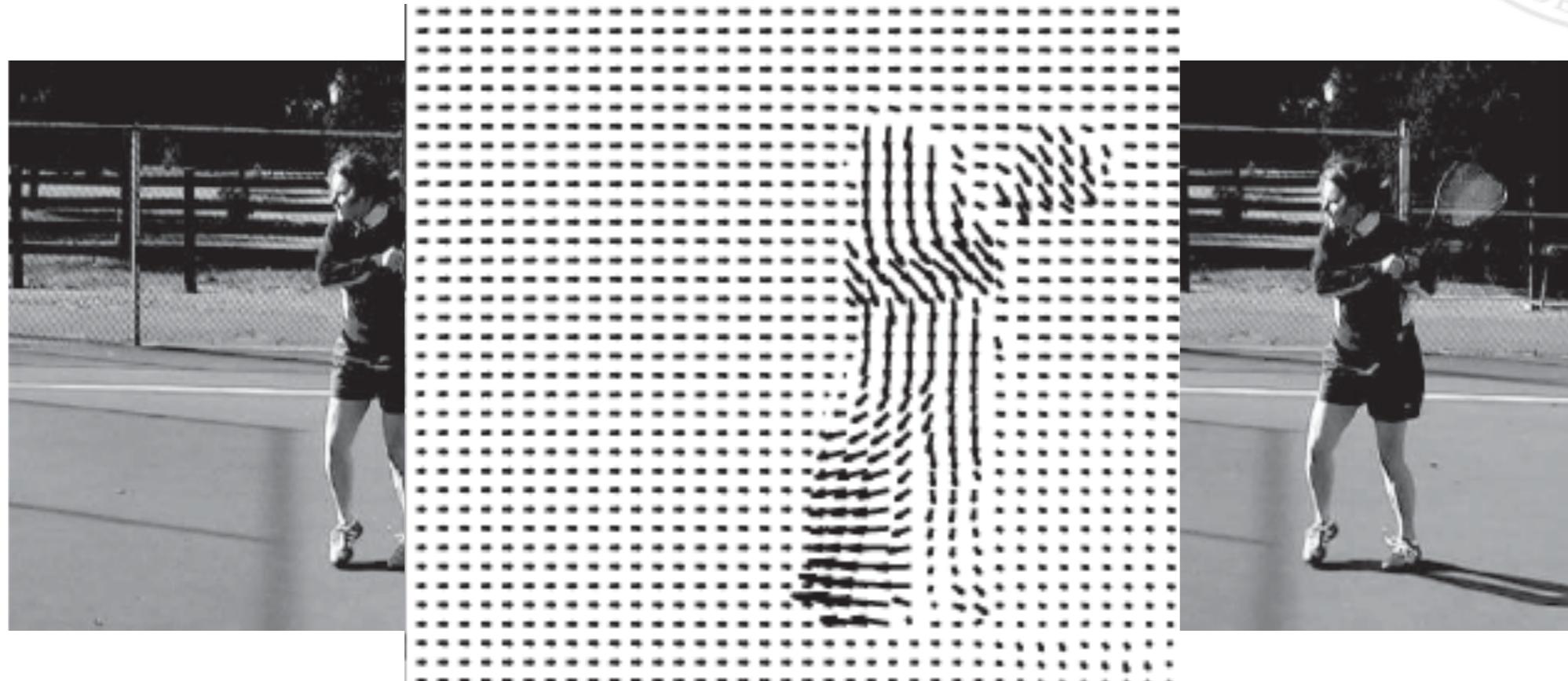
Canny Edge Detection



[via Michael Jacob Matthew, Youtube]

Optical Flow

Useful for understanding movement



[R&N]

Optical Flow

Formally!

Given two images I_1 and I_2

- Produce optical flow field F
 - $F(x, y) = (dx, dy)$
 - where pixel $I_1[x, y]$ moves to $I_2[x + dx, y + dy]$

This boils down to finding **correspondences**.

One approach

- Find correspondences that minimize “patch” error
- Regularize for smaller movements



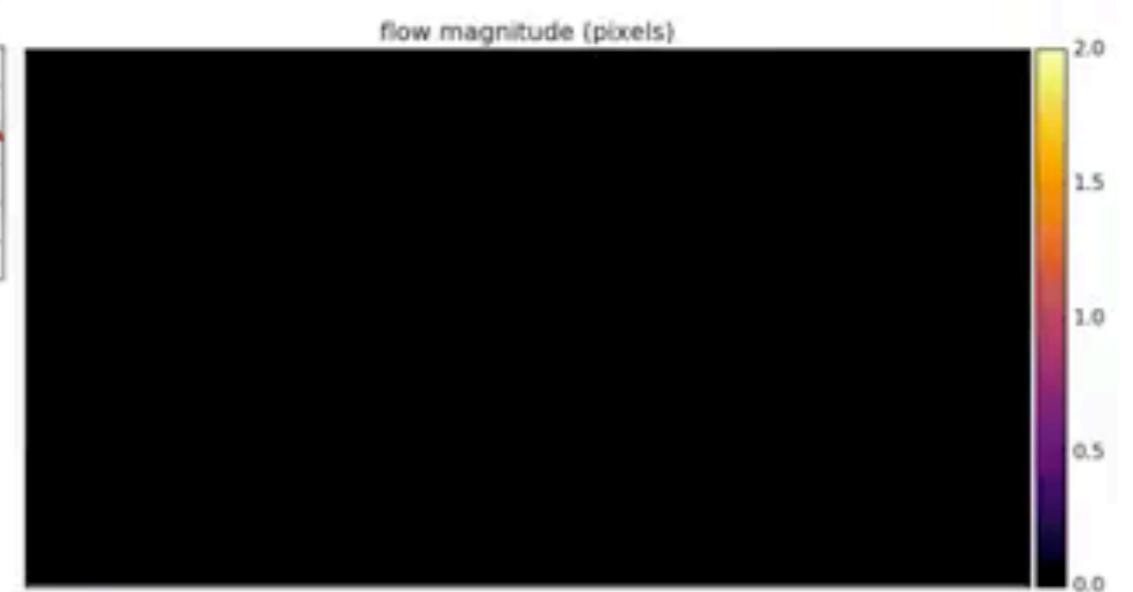
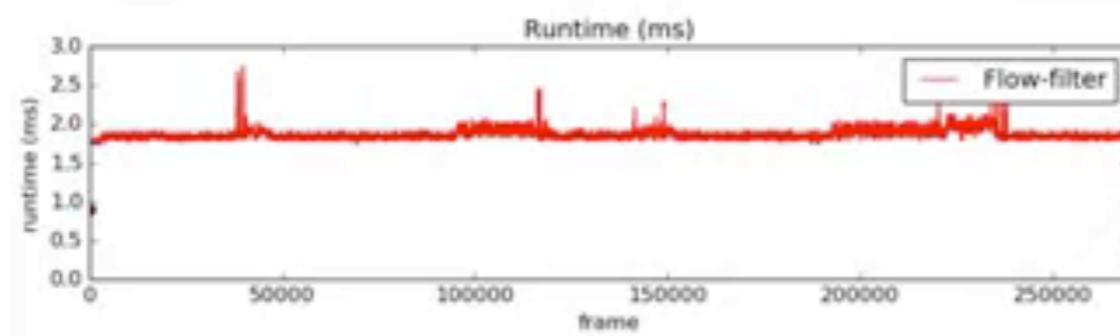
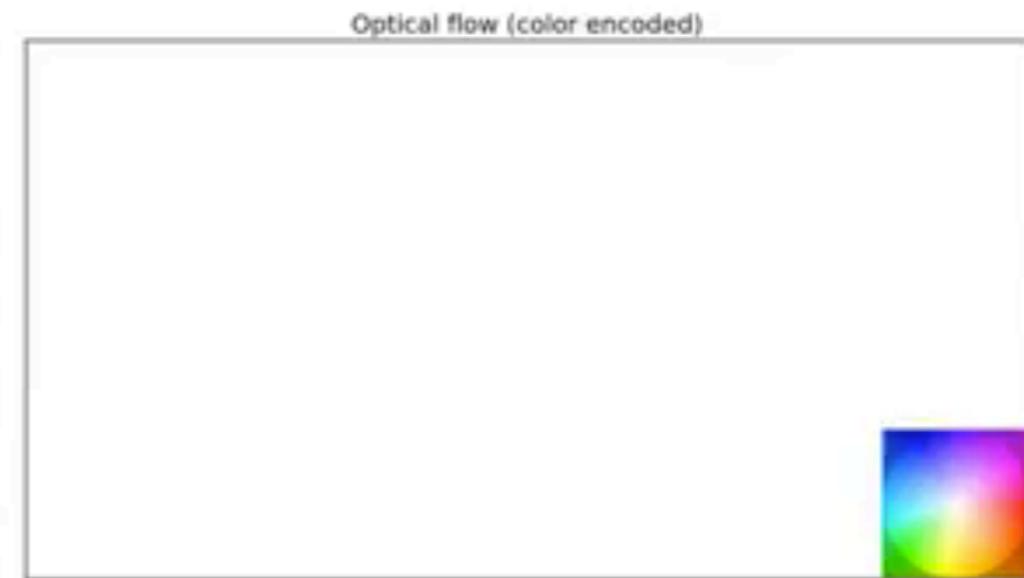


Optical Flow



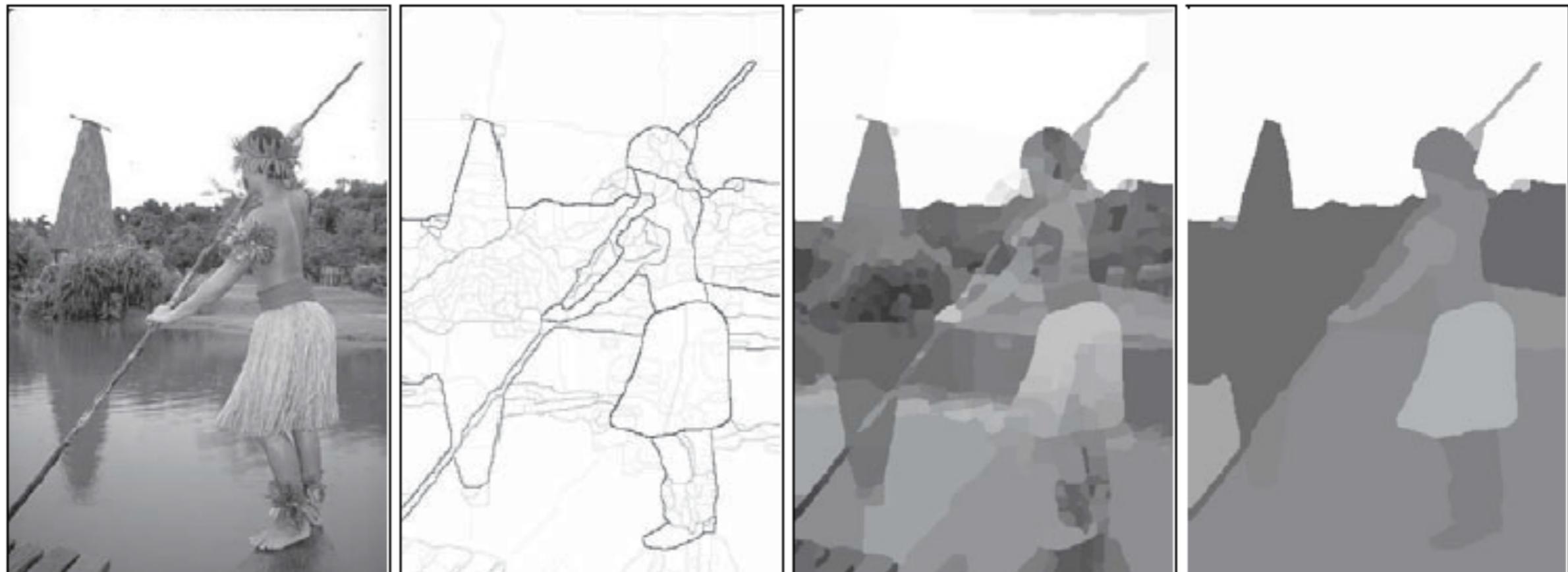
[via Matthieu Garrigues, YouTube]

Optical Flow



[via Juan Adarve, YouTube]

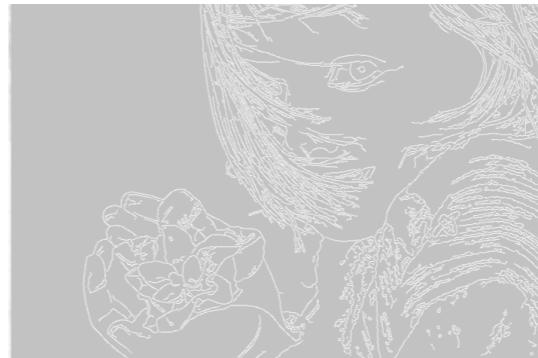
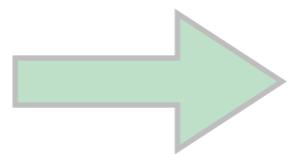
Image Segmentation



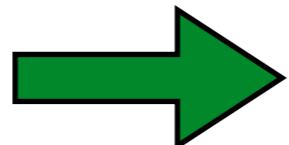
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Computer Vision

Image preprocessing

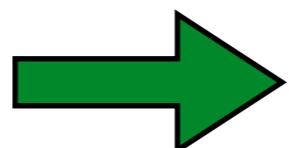


Recognition



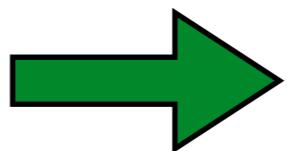
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Reconstruction

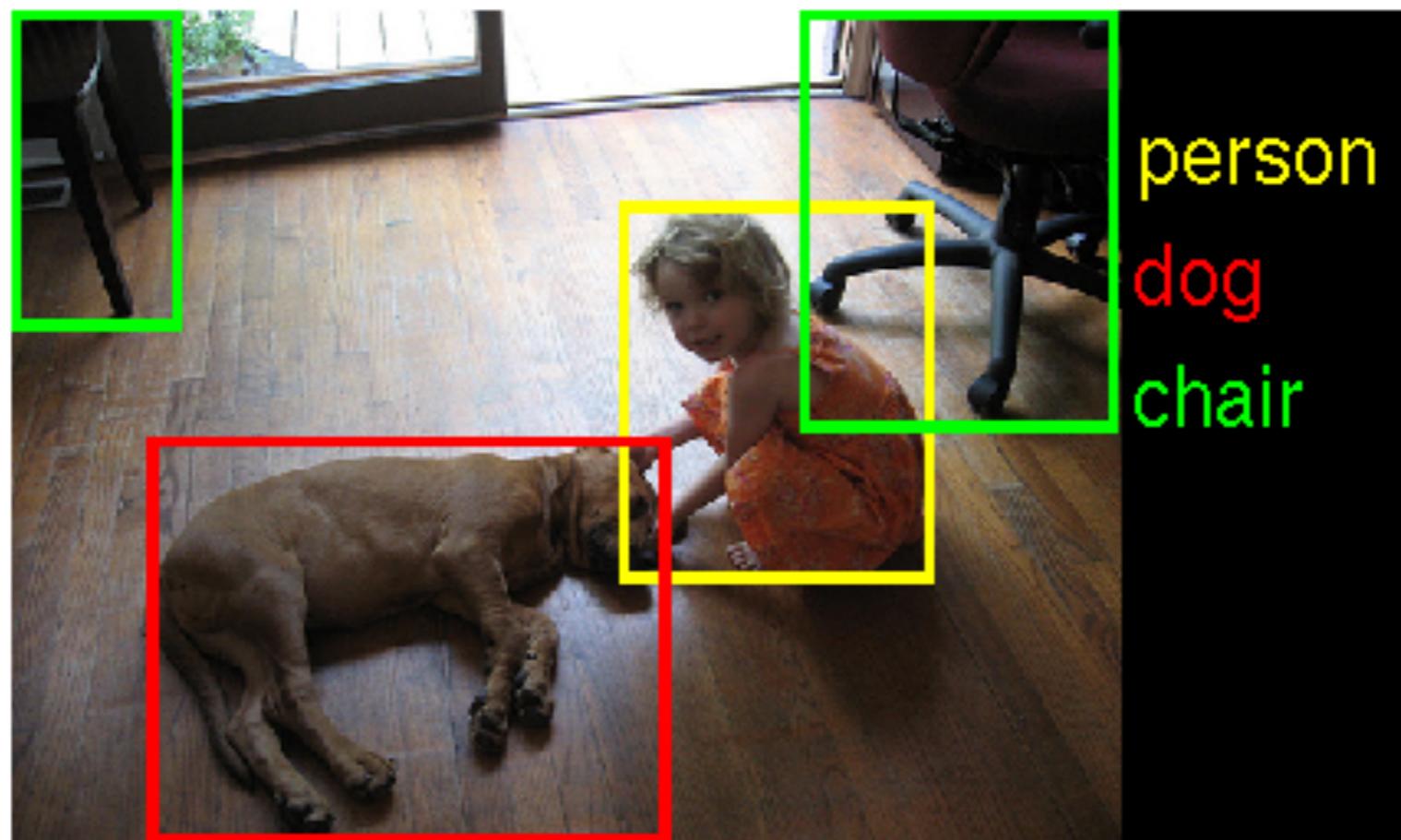


[R&N]

Recognition



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[ImageNet]





Recognition

Given:

- Object classes O_1, \dots, O_n
- An image size I
- A collection of labeled data points $\{I_i, O_i\}_n$

Find:

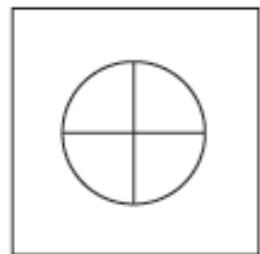
- $f : I \rightarrow O_i$

Minimizing expected error.

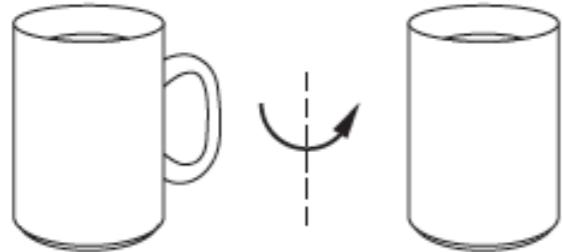
Classification

Recognition

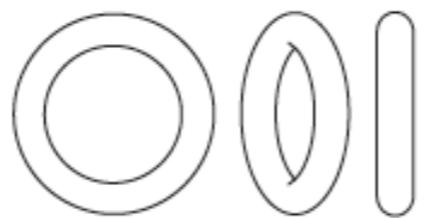
Why is this hard?



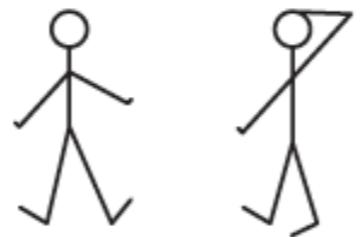
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Occlusion



Aspect



Deformation

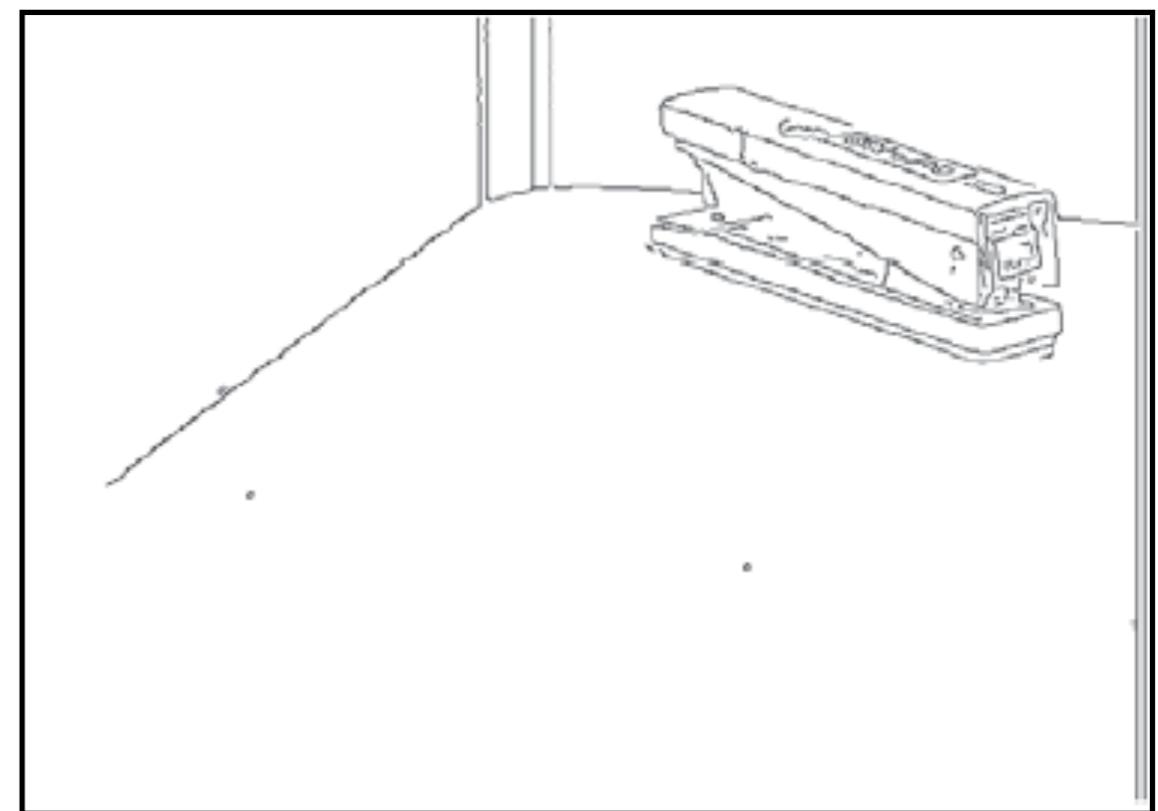
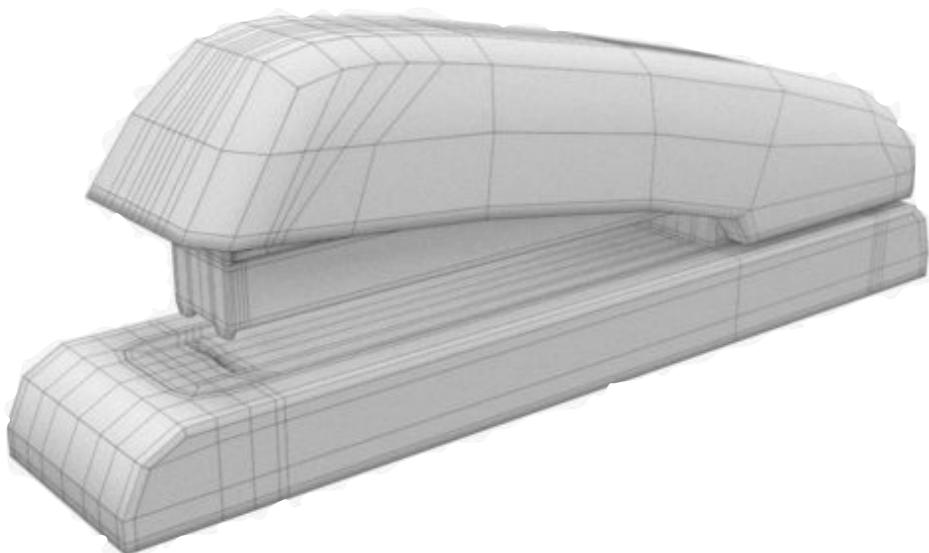


Recognition

Two main ways of going about this:

- Use a geometric object model
- Use machine learning

First: use an object model to *match* an object in a scene.



Recognition by ML

Just do ML:

- Get lots of labeled data
- Learn a classifier

Primary challenge:

- Objects of the same class look different
- The same object looks different from different orientations



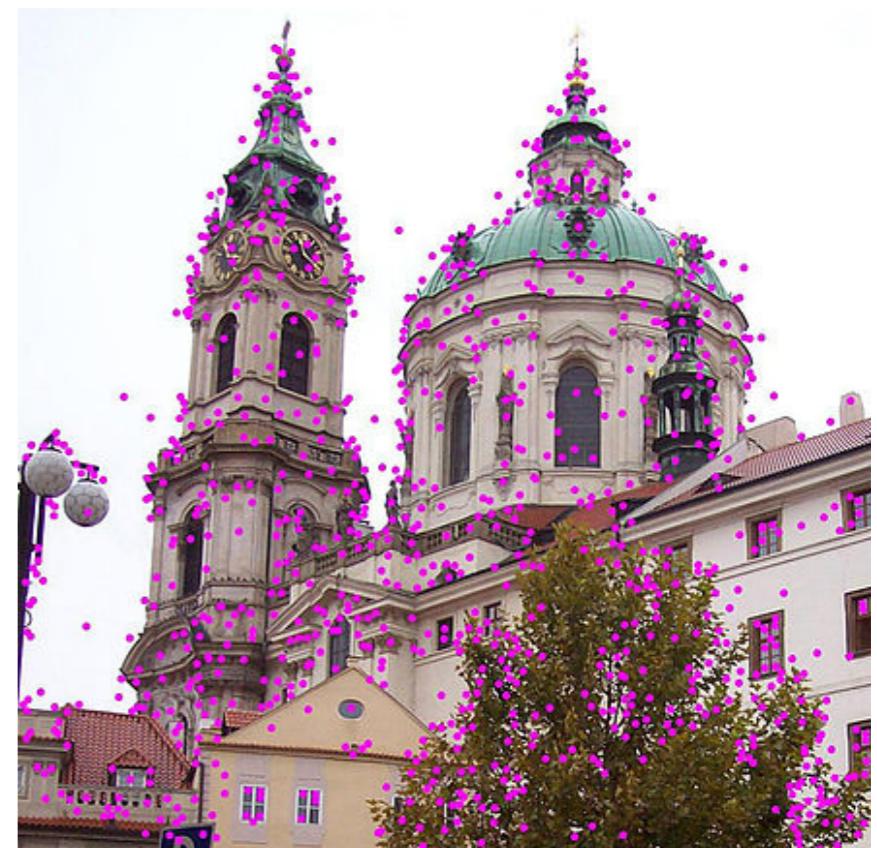
Recognition by ML

Solution:

- Compute features from the image
- Features should be invariant to scale, translation, etc.
 - This is a form of *special knowledge* about images.
- Use these as input to classifier instead of image

SIFT features

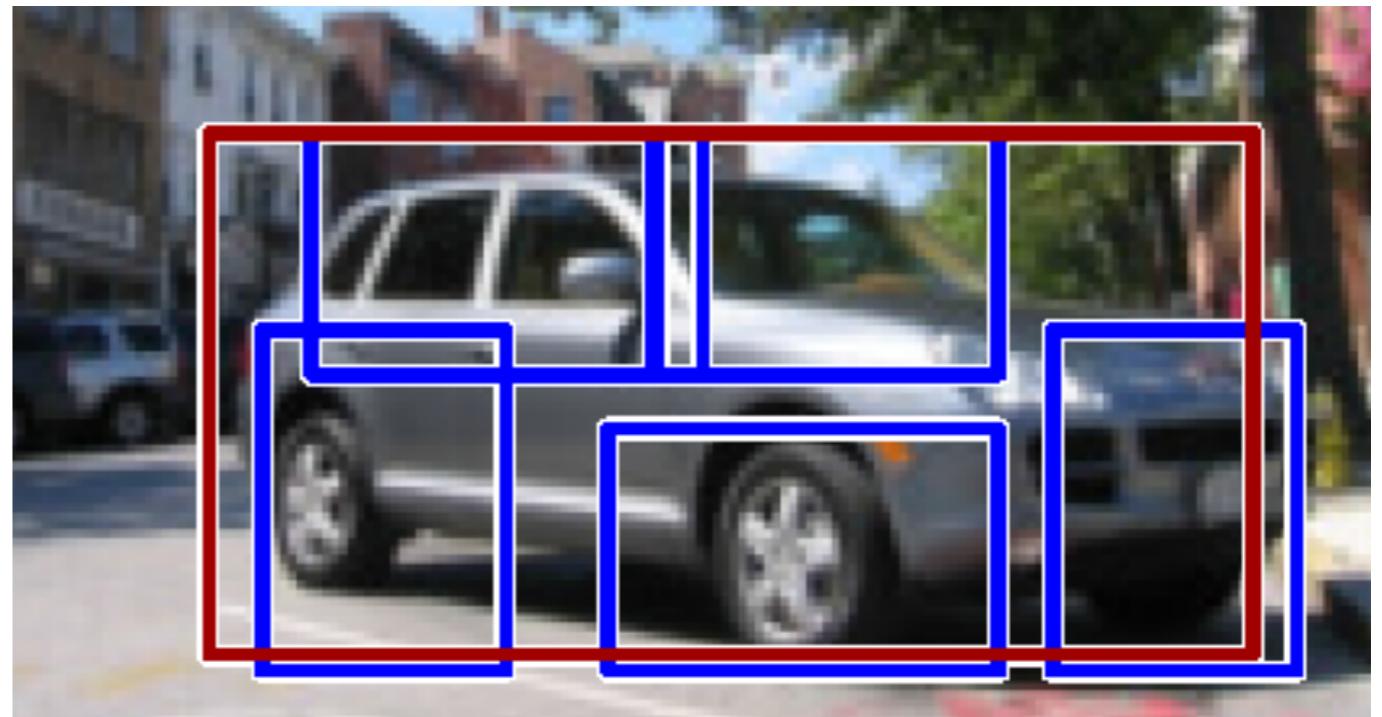
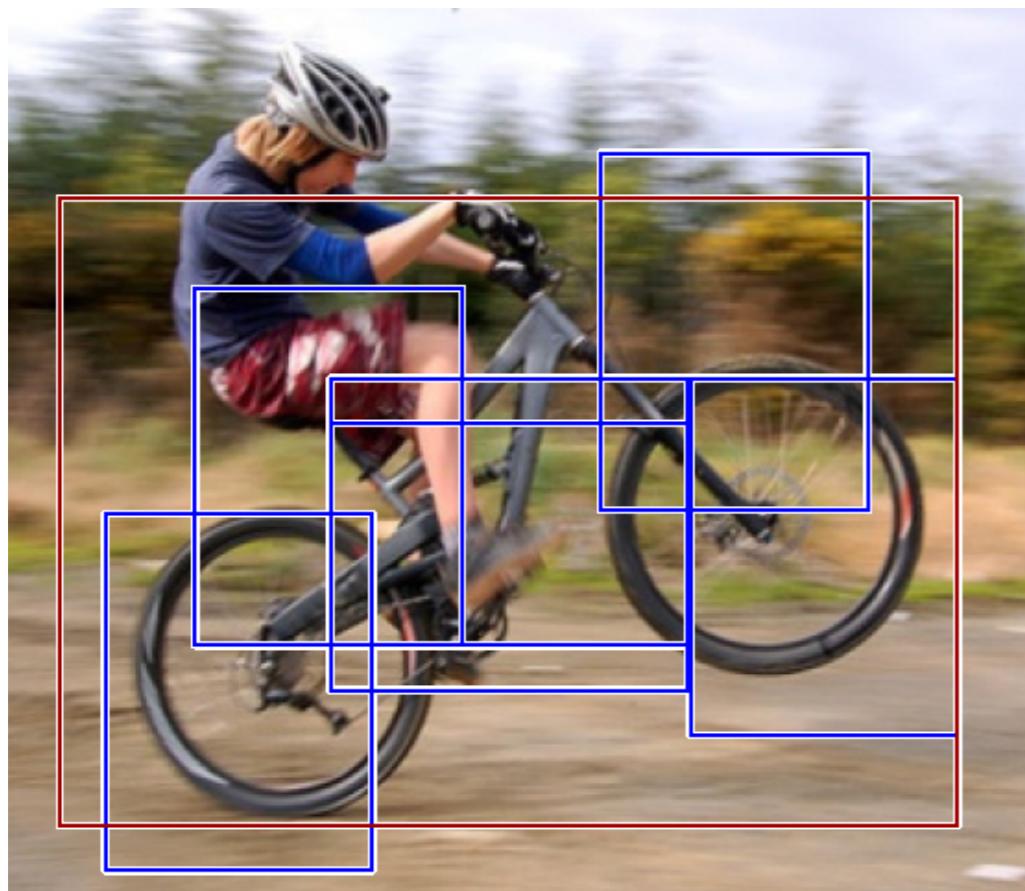
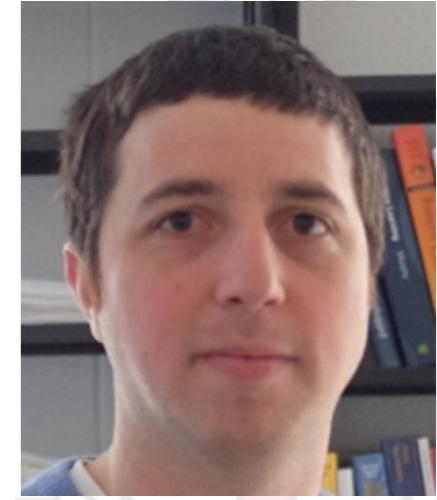
- Scale-invariant feature transform
- Most widely used
- Many applications in industry



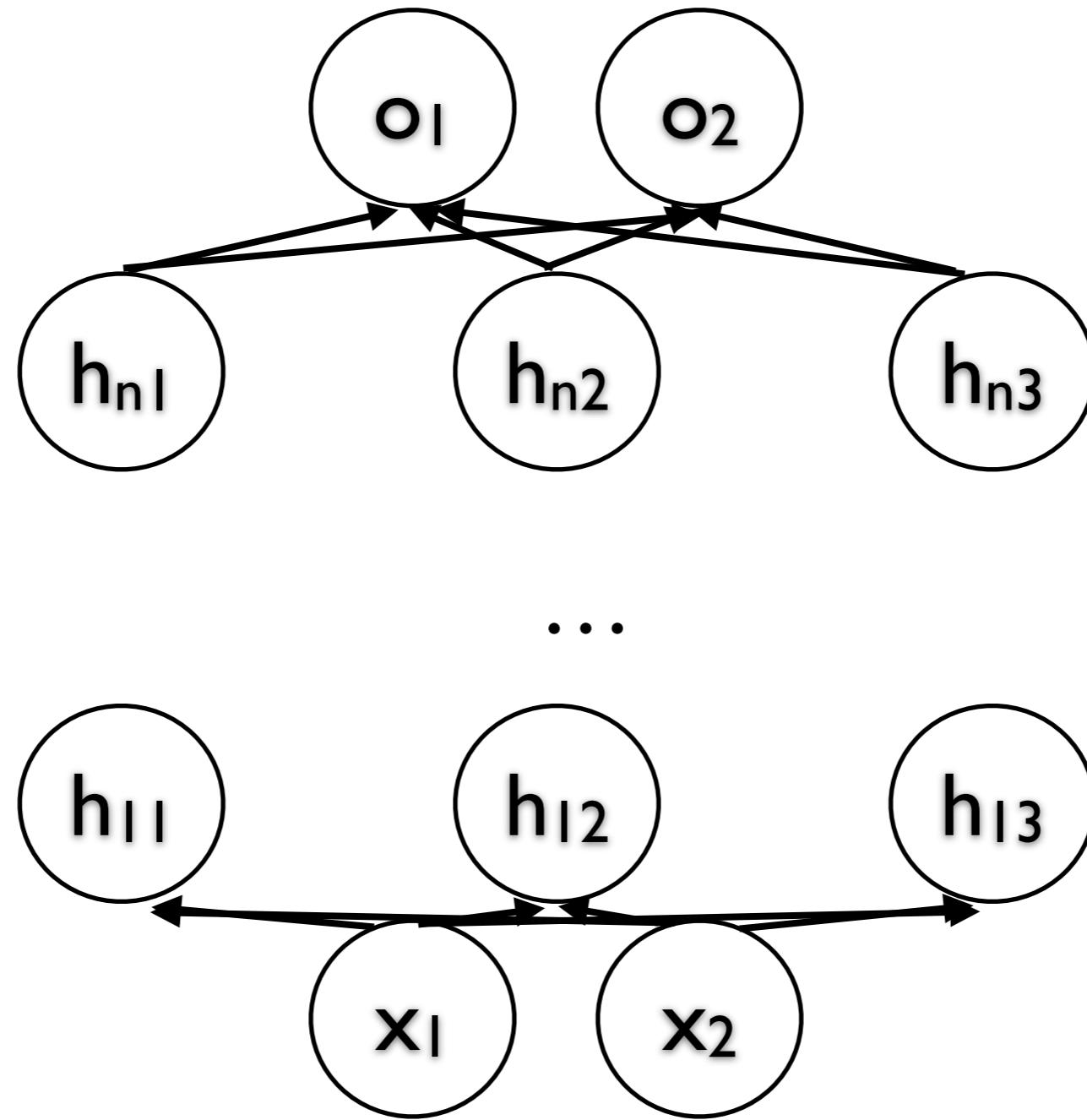
Recognition by Parts

Combine ML and object-models

- Objects are made up of “parts”
- Parts have specific relationships to each other
- Match parts by ML, objects by templates or ML
- Best performing: *deformable parts*



Deep Nets for Object Recognition



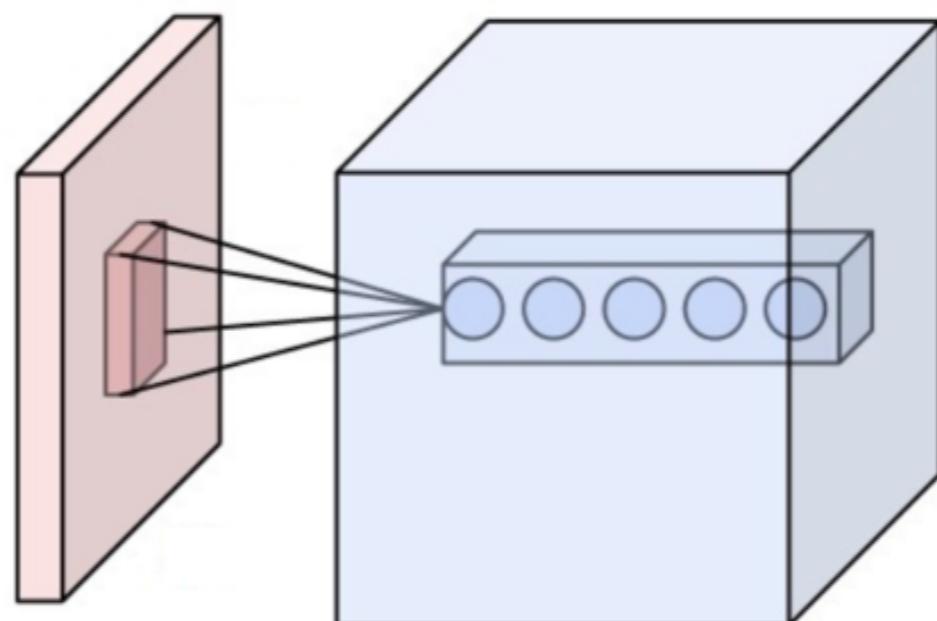
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Convolutional Deep Nets

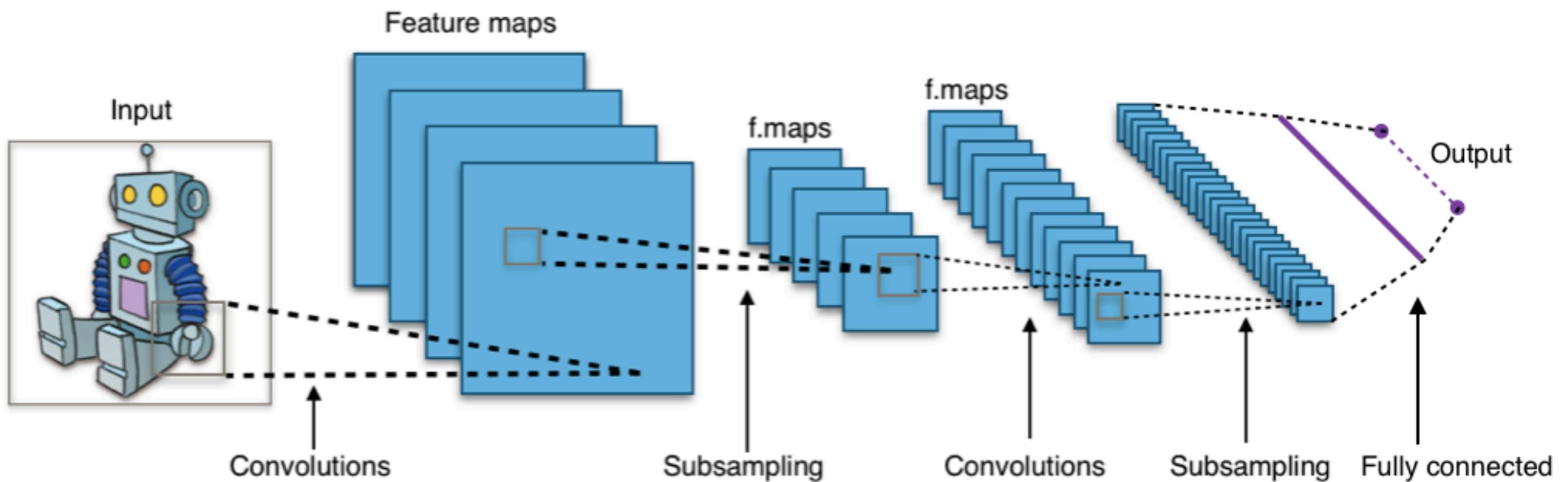


Key idea:

- The first few layers of processing in a deep net construct features automatically.
- Those features should be *location invariant*.
- Create a layer of neurons with *spatially local input*.
- *Constrain their weights to be the same*.



Convolutional Deep Nets



(wiki)

Convolutional Deep Nets



All the usual tricks apply:

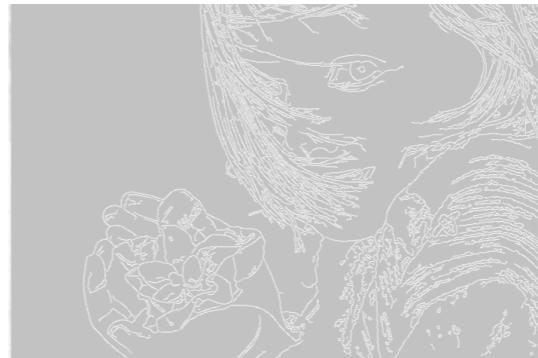
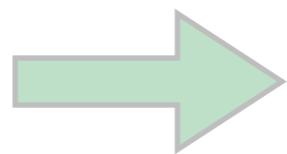
- Training vs. test set
- Pretraining
- Can generate synthetic data!
- Must design network architecture
- But no need to think hard about features
- Very powerful hypothesis class
- Lots of data available!

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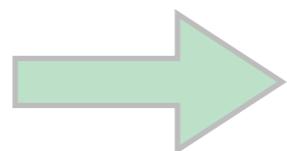
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Computer Vision

Image preprocessing

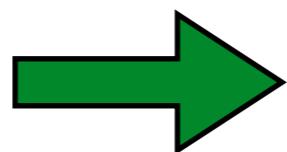


Recognition



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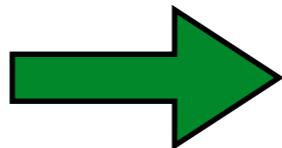
Reconstruction



[R&N]

Reconstruction

Recover 3D information and structure from collection of images.



[R&N]

Reconstruction



[Tomasi, R&N]

Reconstruction



Real-time Monocular Scene
Reconstruction
in a Public Environment
(Home Improvement Store)

Reconstruction



Supplemental video for ACM Transactions on Graphics 2016 paper

"Virtual Rephotography: Novel View Prediction Error for 3D Reconstruction"

Michael Waechter¹, Mate Beljan¹, Simon Fuhrmann¹,
Nils Moehrle¹, Johannes Kopf², and Michael Goesele¹

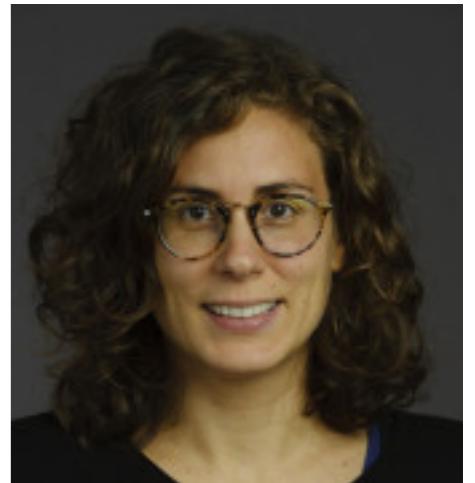
¹Technische Universität Darmstadt, ²Facebook

This video contains audio.

Reconstruction

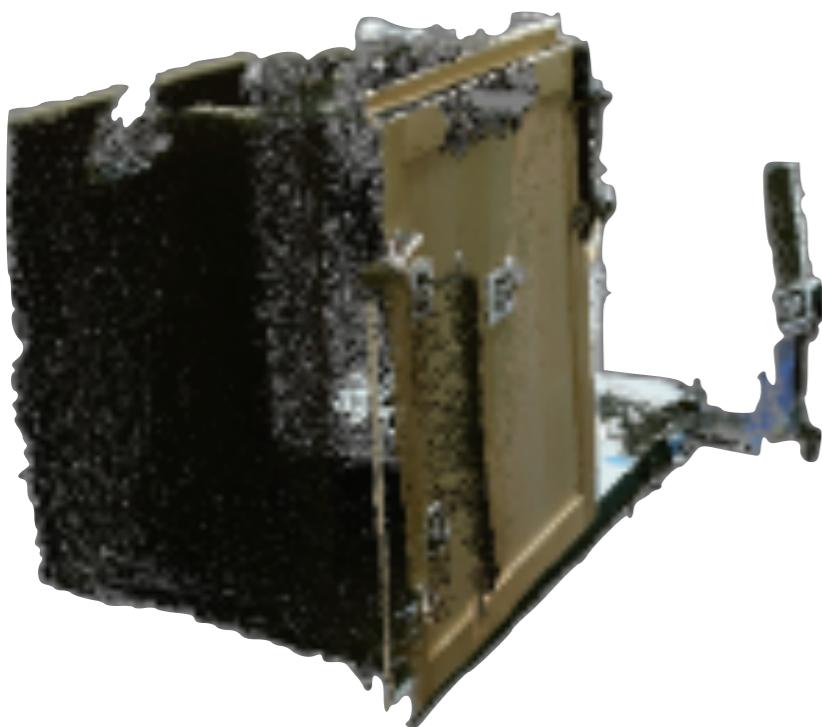


Tracking

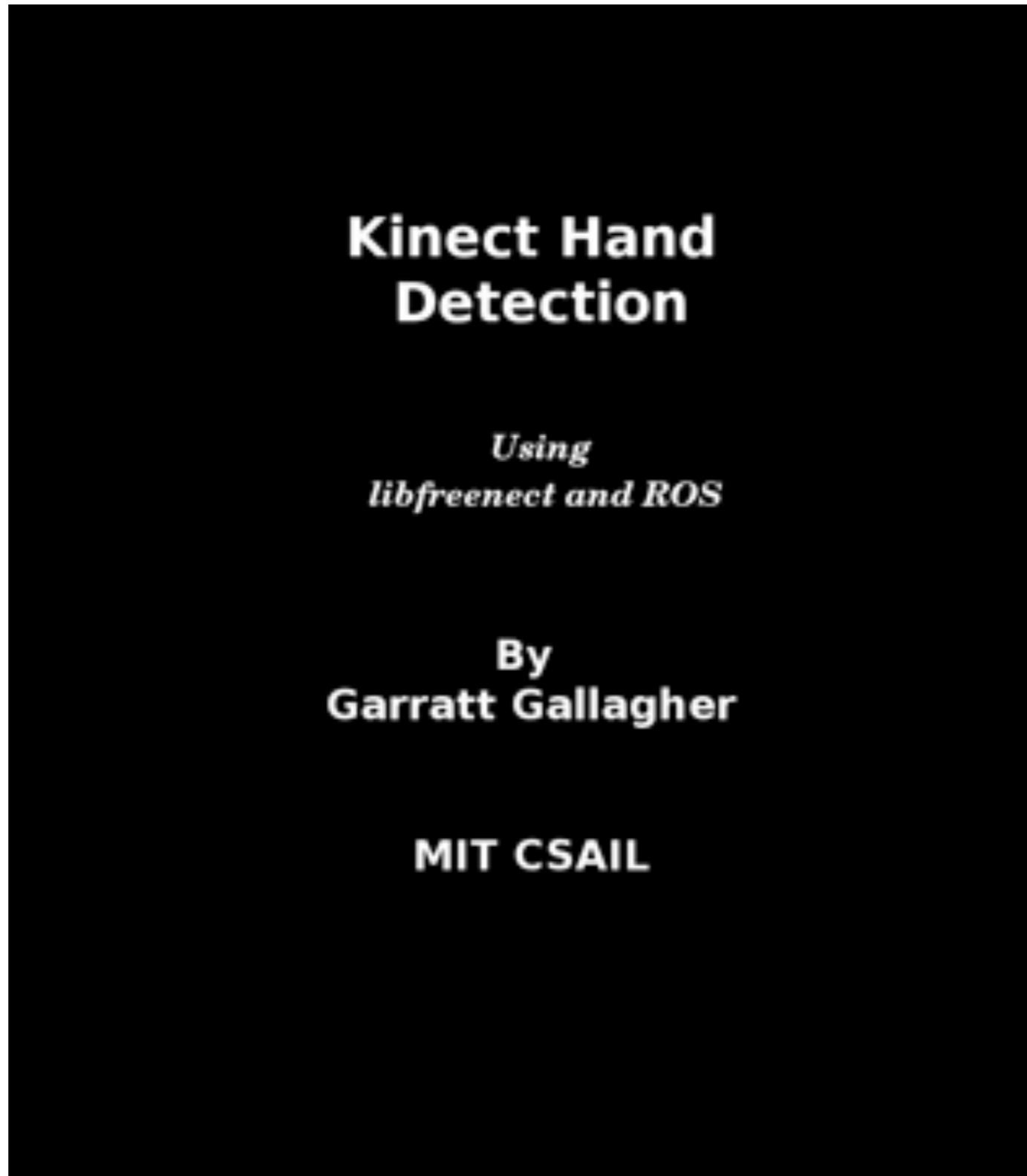


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Depth Sensors



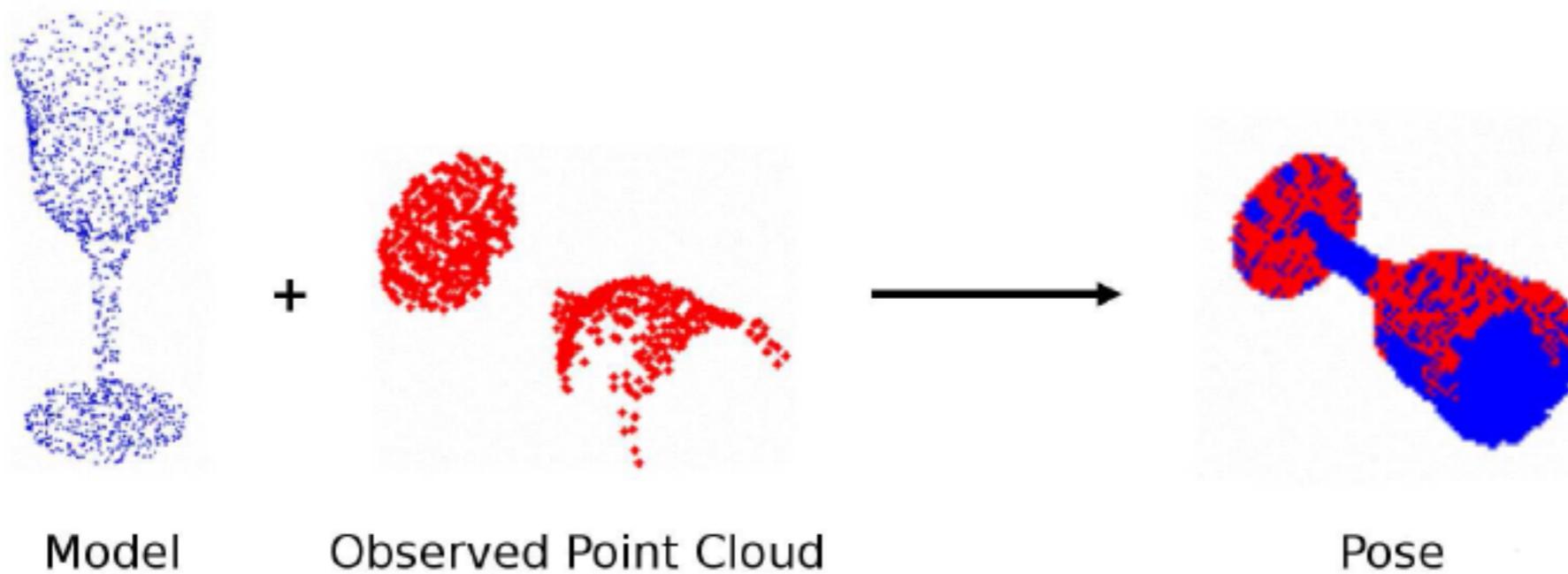
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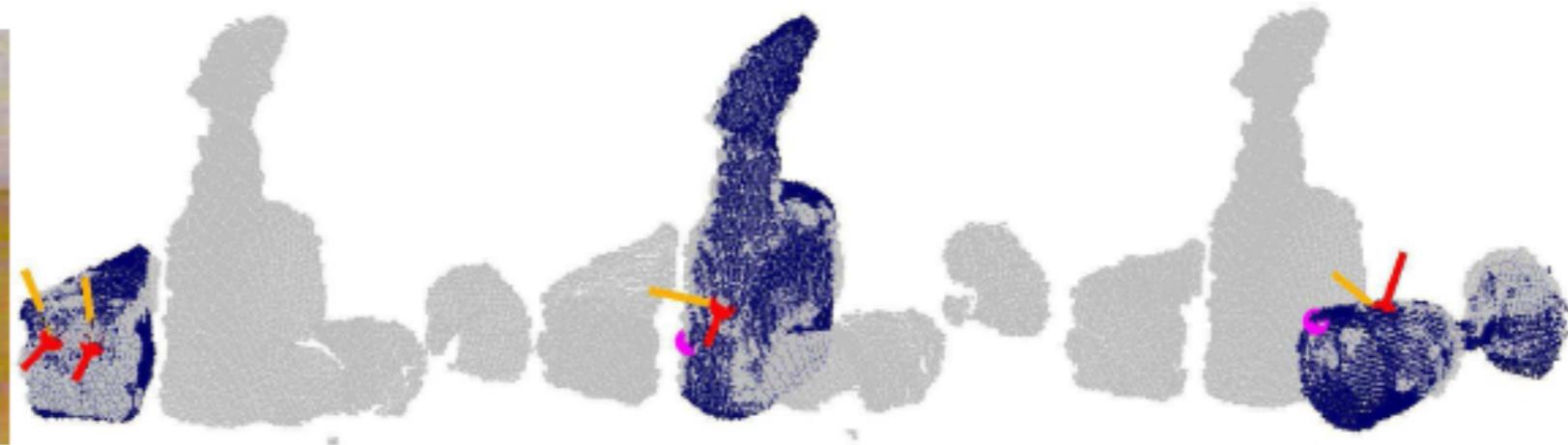
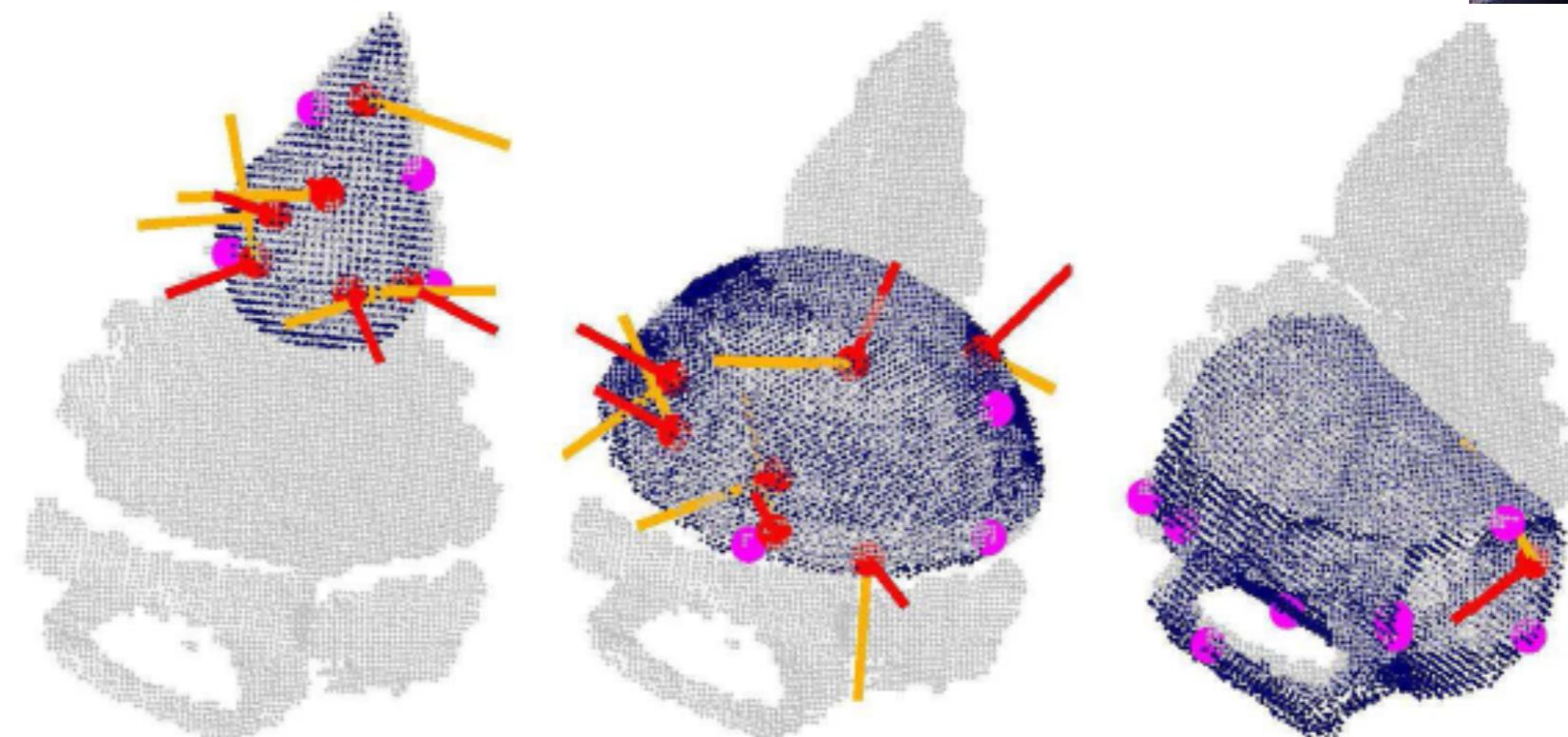
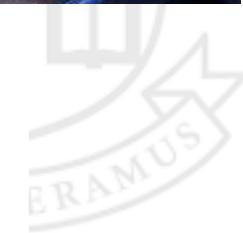
3D Perception

Typically given 3D model of **specific** object:

- Identify it from a partial view.
- Pose estimate.
- Complete.



3D Perception in Clutter



[Glover]

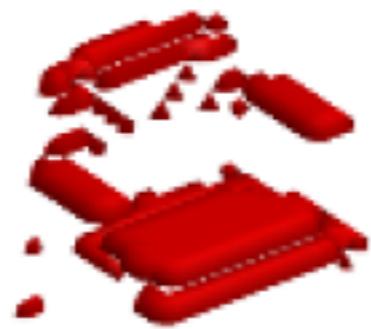
3D Perception



Sensing a ***novel*** chair



true model



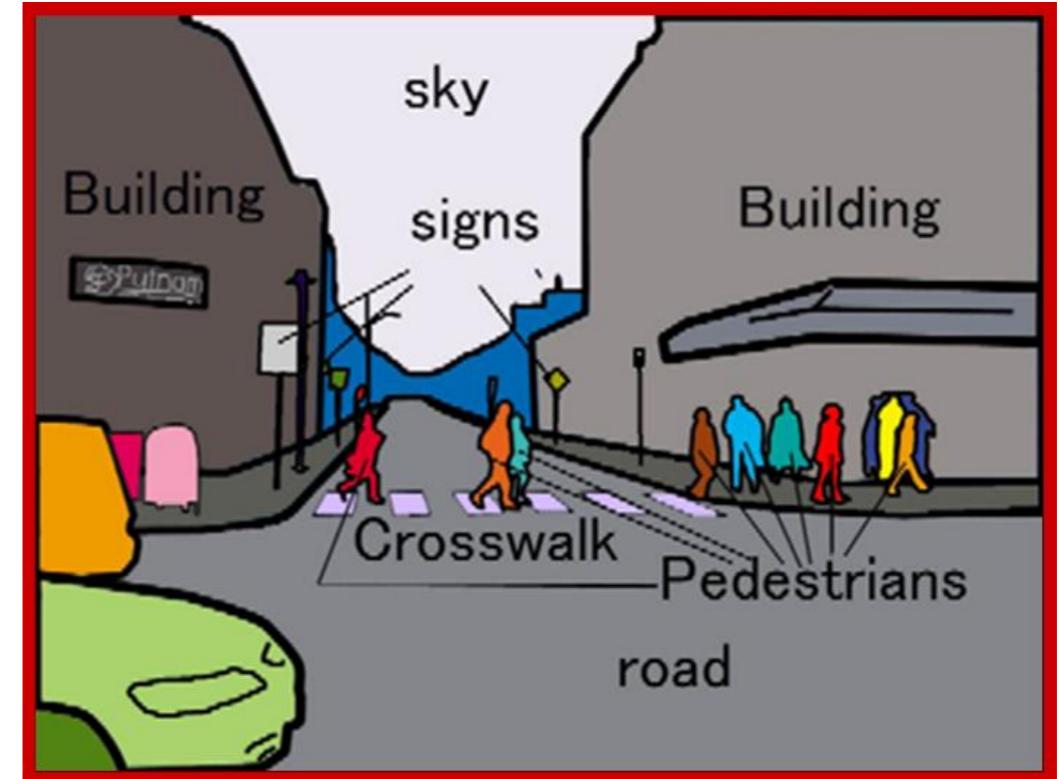
observation



reconstruction



Autonomous Cars



[Wolf]