Project: Foliage Detection

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Introduction

- Project task: foliage detection on single images
- Procedure:
  - Formulating the context model (CM)
  - Implementing the CM in Blender
  - Searching for invariants in CM (low entropy)
  - Designing an algorithmic pipeline
  - Evaluating results

Context model 1/6

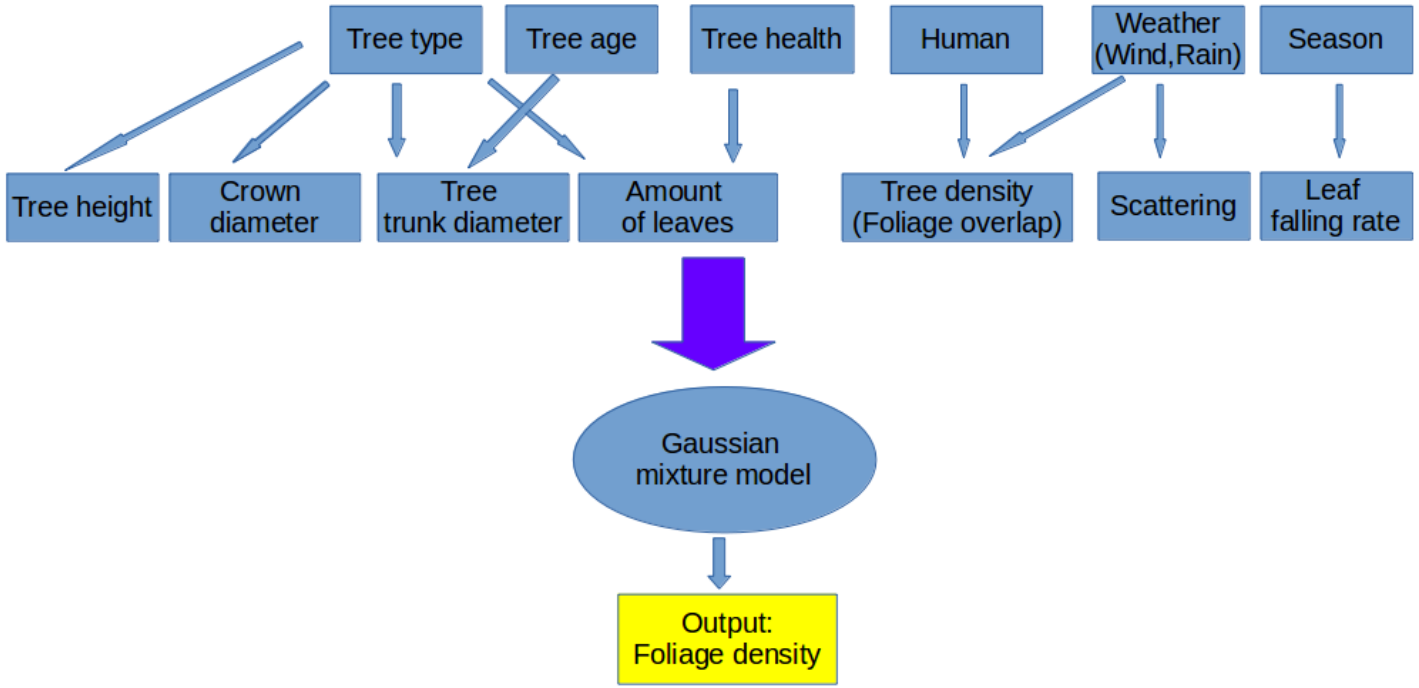
1. Task: Foliage detection:
   (a) 2D foliage detection: Detection on the basis of only **one** picture
   (b) 3D reconstruction: Use sequences of 2D images from the flying camera to reconstruct the 3D surface and detect foliage there. Here, camera trajectory is imporant.
   (c) *What*: Tree and bush foliage
   (d) *Where*: Detection of fallen leaves on the ground
   (e) *When*: Real time or not, offline or online
   (f) Success criterions:
      i. Detection step (our): Percentage of correctly as belonging to foliage classified pixels. Alternatively one can also take the trade-off between performance and processing time.
      ii. Overall: The ground is cleared from fallen leaves (foliage).
2. Camera:
   (a) Parameters: pixel resolution, type of lens and focus, saturation, zoom factor, motion blur, lighting type, lens staining (e.g., dependent on weather)
   (b) Flying trajectory

Context model 2/6

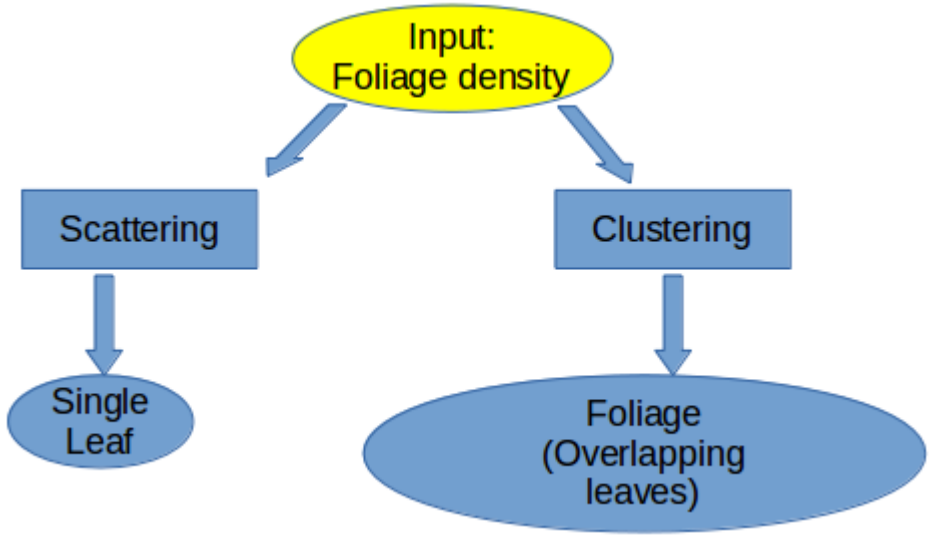
3. Scene:
   (a) Objects:
      i. **Ground**
         A. Geometric form (if square, its width and breadth; if circle, its radius)
         B. Surface type (e.g., gras vs. asphalt) and properties (leaf-like color or not)
      ii. House (we do not consider variation of this object type)
      iii. **Tree**
         A. Object properties: tree height, diameter of the tree trunk, diameter and amount of branches, amount and type of leaves, color (different interpolations of colors, except for blue) etc.
         B. Object location distributions:
            - single distribution, e.g. Gaussian
            - multiple distribution: e.g. trees near the boundaries of the property and right near the house
      iv. **Foliage** (leaves on the ground)
         A. Object properties: size, geometric form (e.g., curvature of the leaf boundary and curvature of the leaf plane) and structure (leaf skeleton type, symmetry), shadow-rich areas of high contrast [2], randomness of edges, varying color (yellow-brown-red)
         B. Texture properties: reflection and rough texture
         C. Object location distributions: e.g. Gaussian
   (b) Conditions:
      i. Weather: sunny, rainy, foggy, wind
      ii. Time of the day: day, night, sunset, sunrise
      iii. Season (time of the year): light intensity, snow

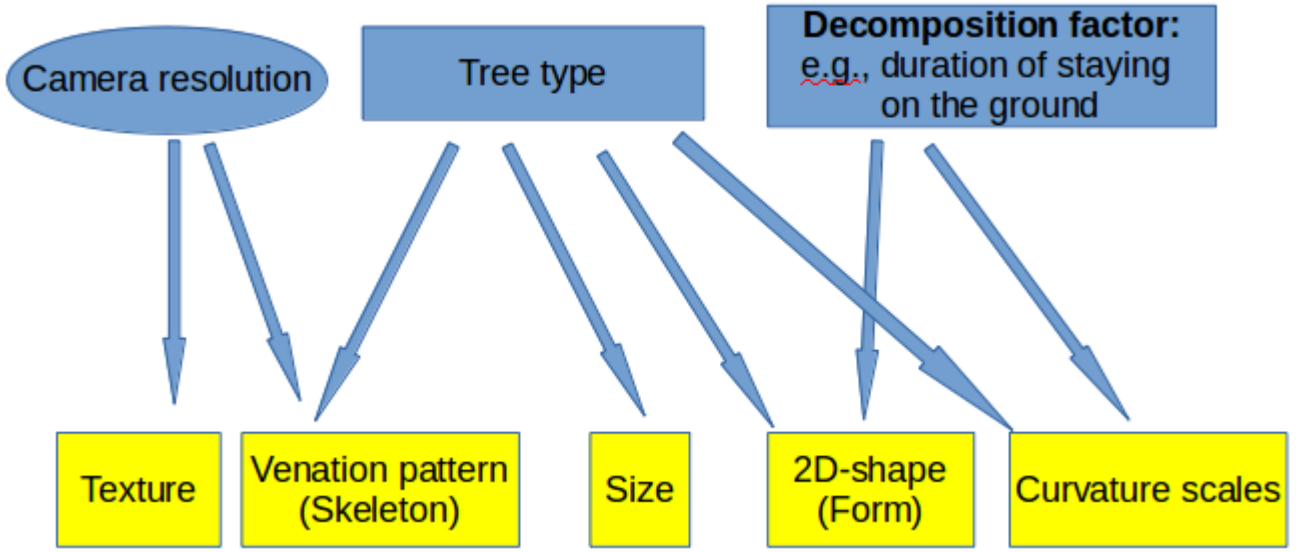
Context model 3/6

Context model 4/6



Context model 5/6





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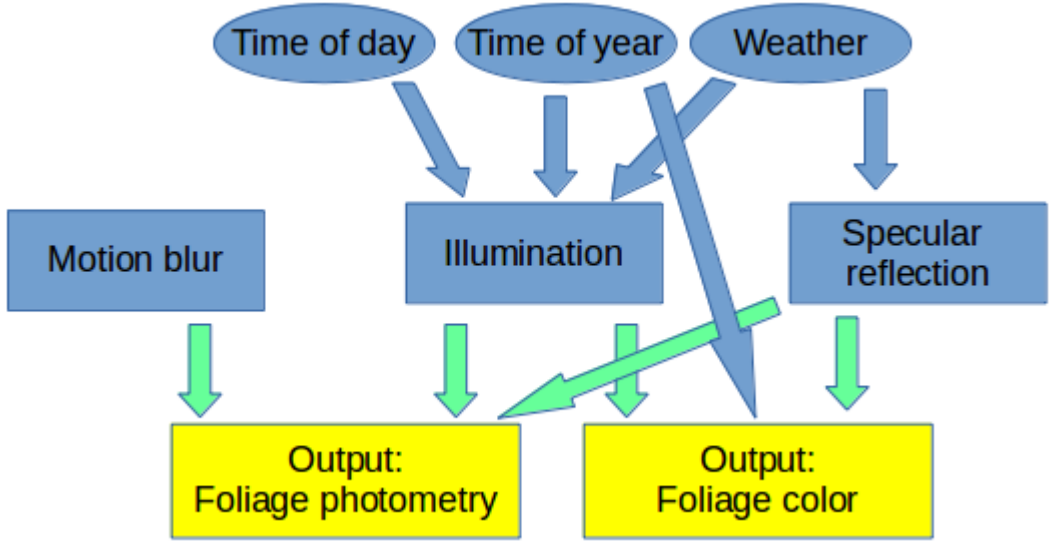
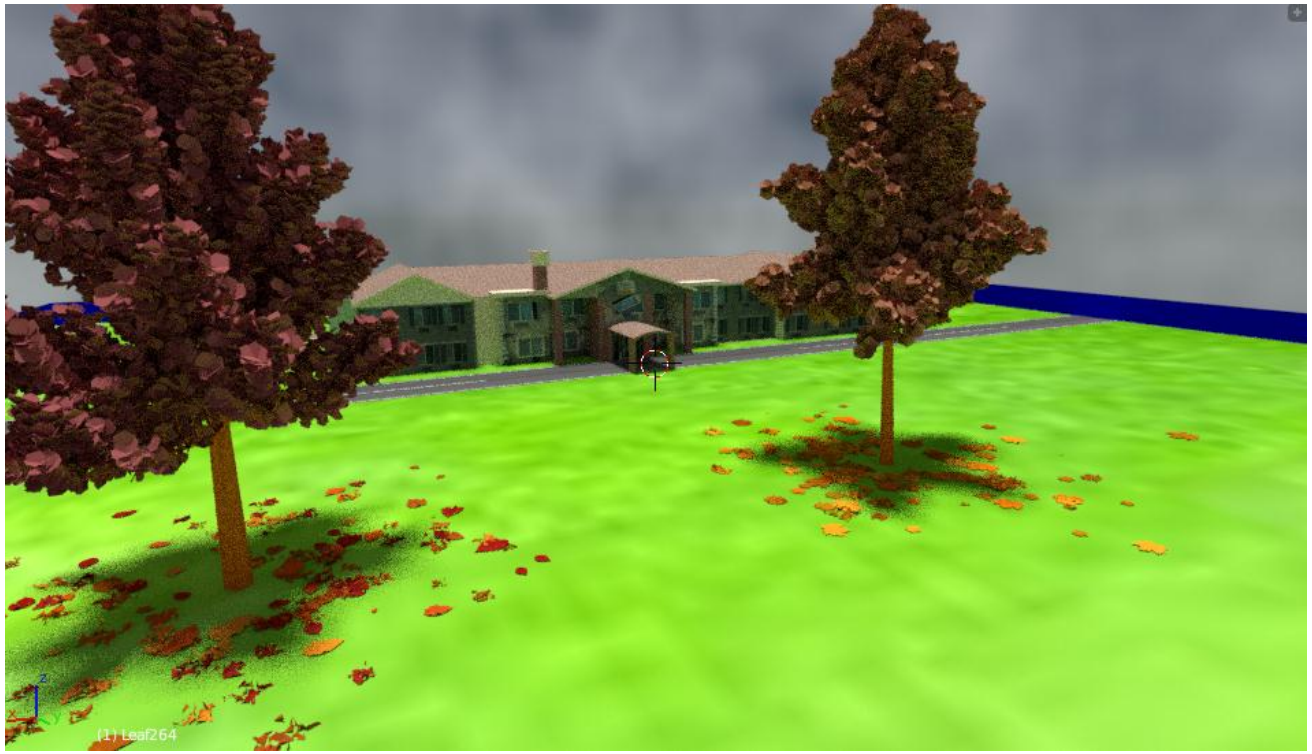
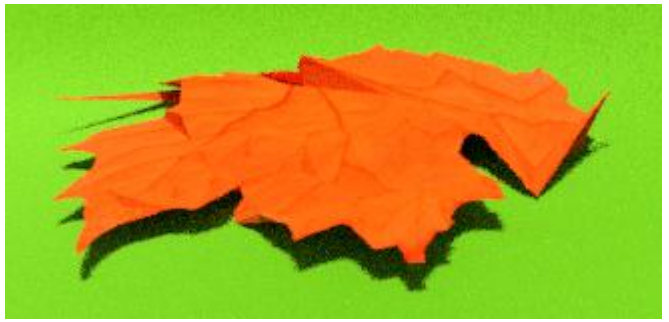


Blender realization 1/2

Objects	Geometry	Texture	Color
Ground	Plane	Different textures	Illumination parameters
Tree	- Tree trunk diameter - Tree height - Number of branches - Number and color of fallen leaves	No texture	Trunk: brown Leaves: adjusted to ground foliage
Foliage	Gaussian distribution around trees	5 different predefined textures	High amount of yellow and red

Blender realization 2/2

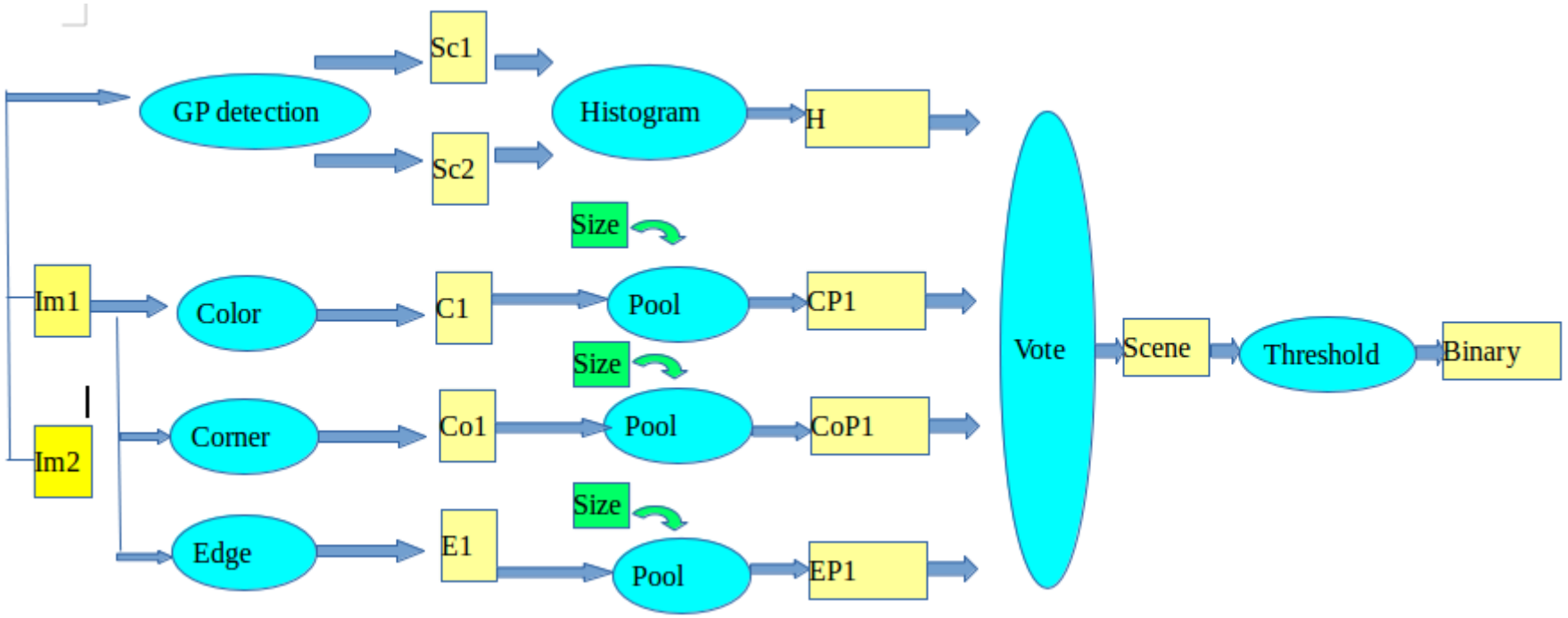




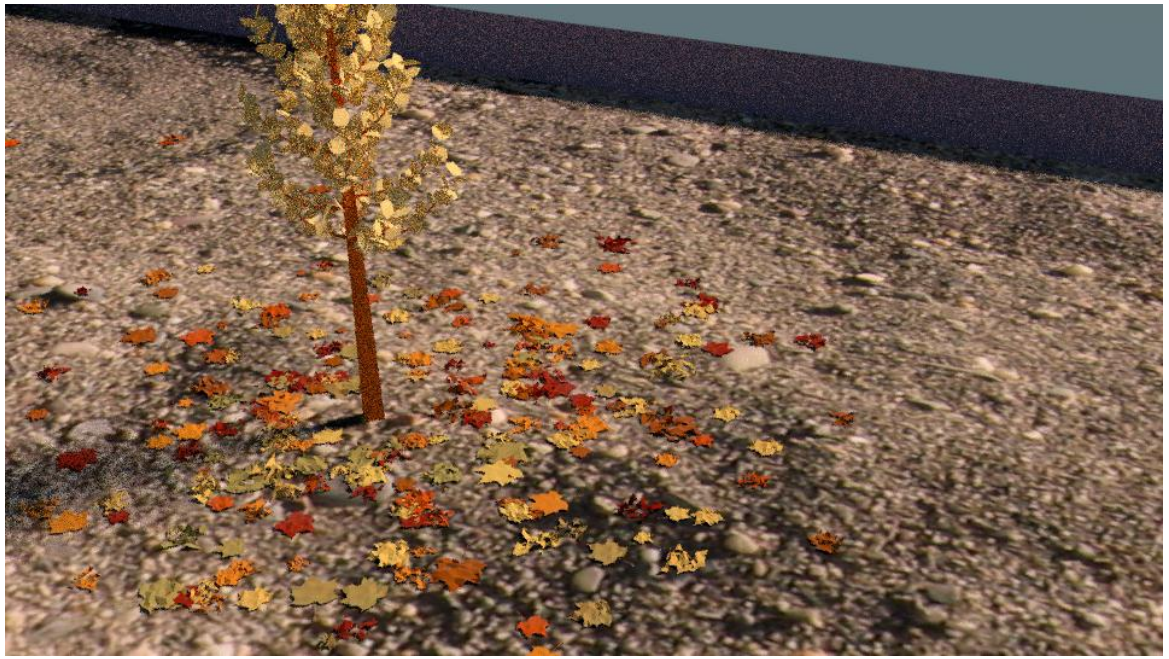
Algorithmic pipeline 1/2

1. **scene geometry**
   - background: *medium entropy*
   - ground plane: *low entropy*
2. **scene material**: *medium - high entropy*
3. **leaf geometry**
   - size: *low entropy*
   - color: *low - medium entropy*
   - form: *low - medium entropy*
   - texture: *medium entropy*
4. **leaf material**: *medium entropy*
5. **environment**
   - illumination: *high entropy*
   - weather: *high entropy*
6. **camera geometry**
   - position: *low - medium entropy*
   - internal parameters: *low entropy*
7. **camera photometry**
   - noise model: *low entropy*
   - transfer function: *low entropy*

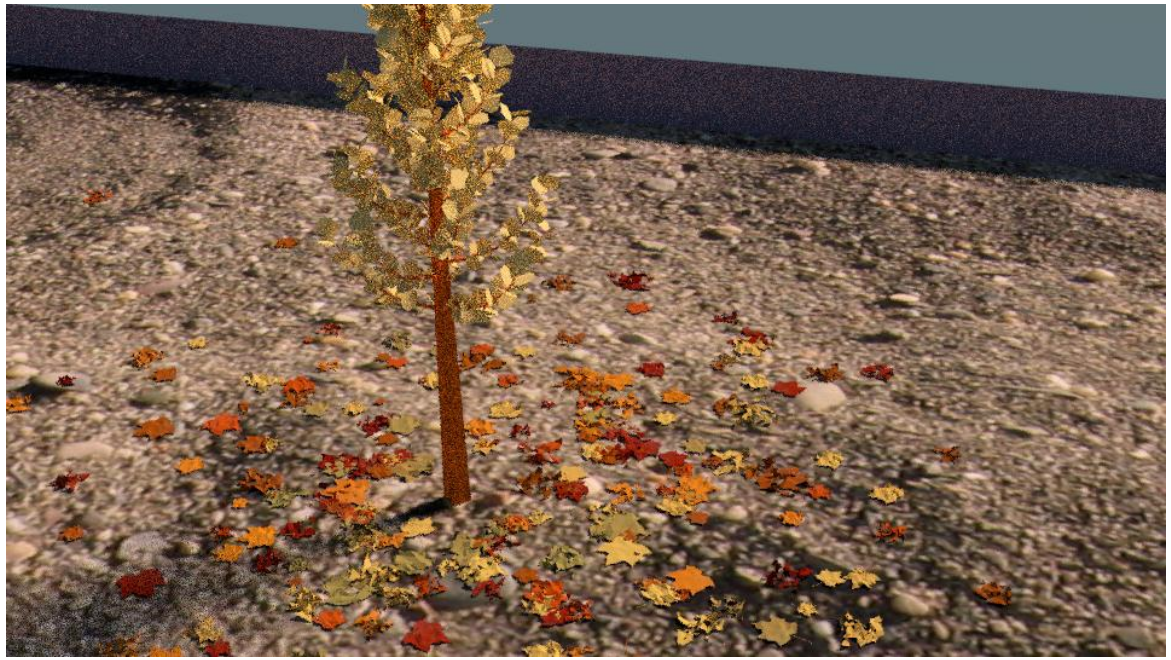
Algorithmic pipeline 2/2



Ground detection 1/4

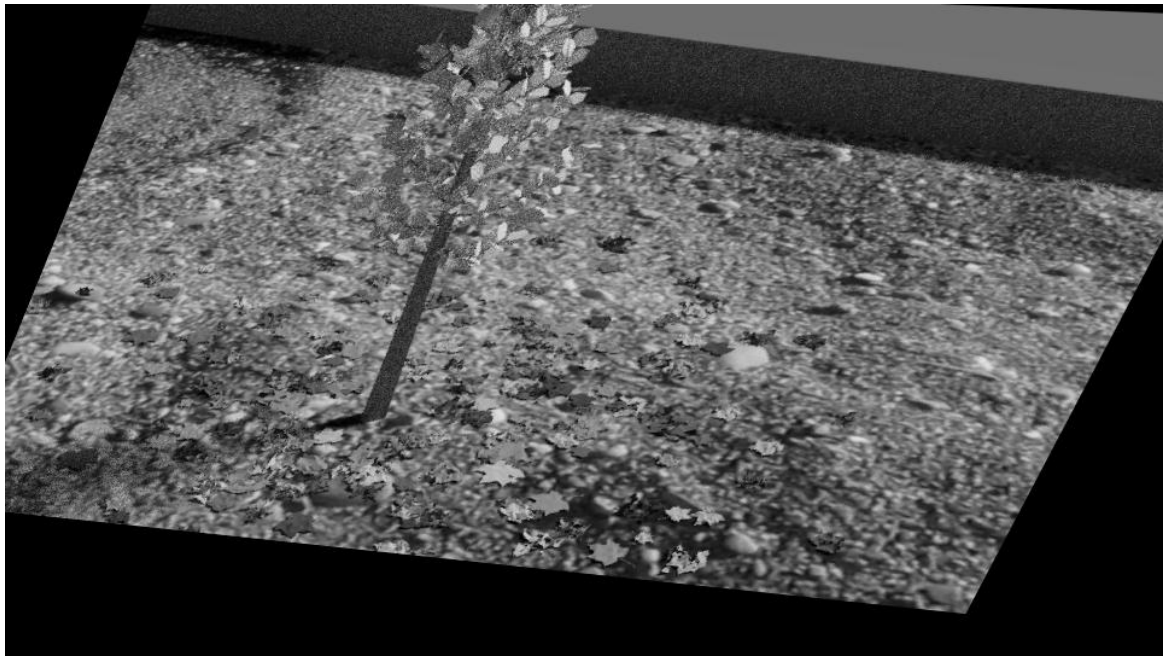


Destination image

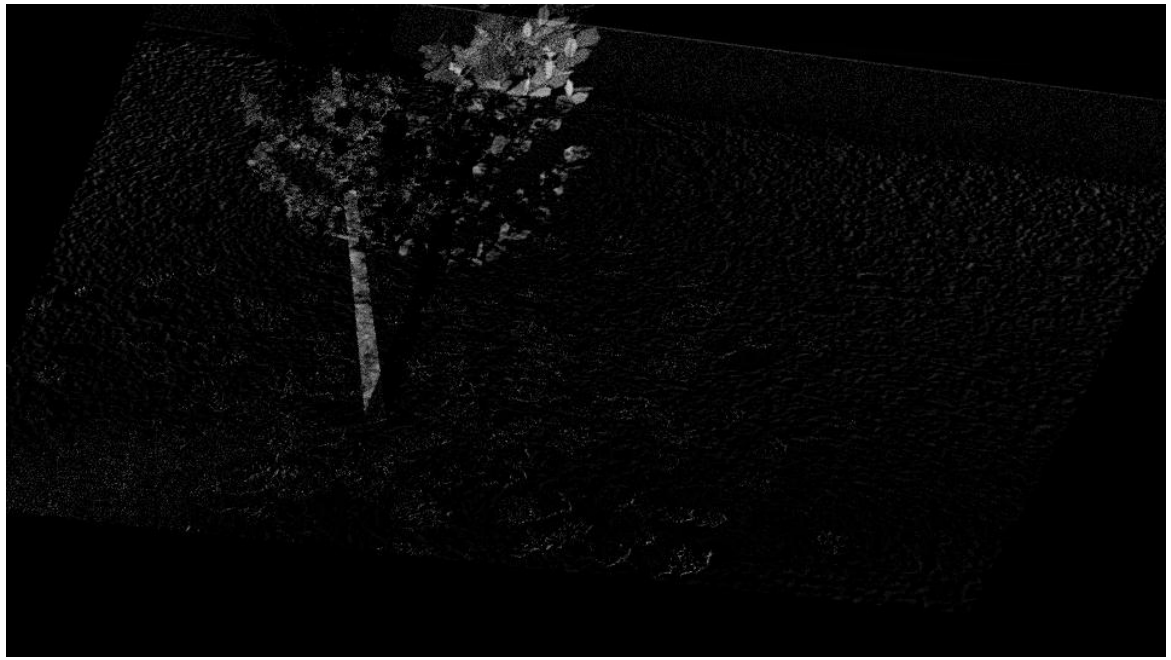


Source image

Ground detection 2/4



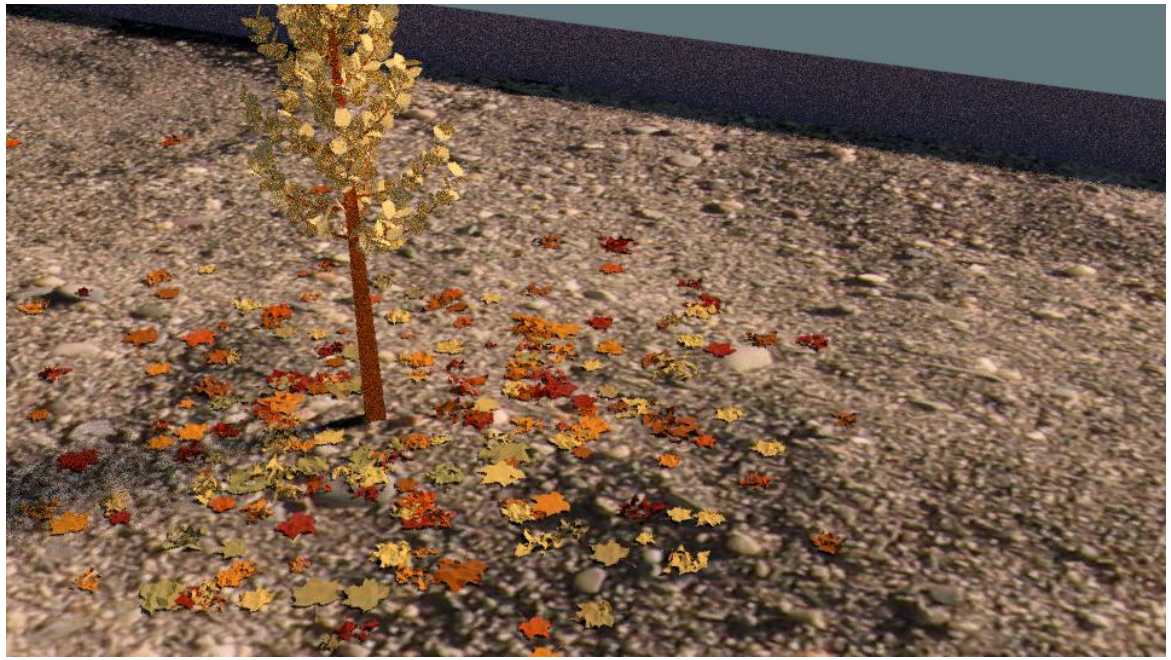
Warped image



Subtracted image

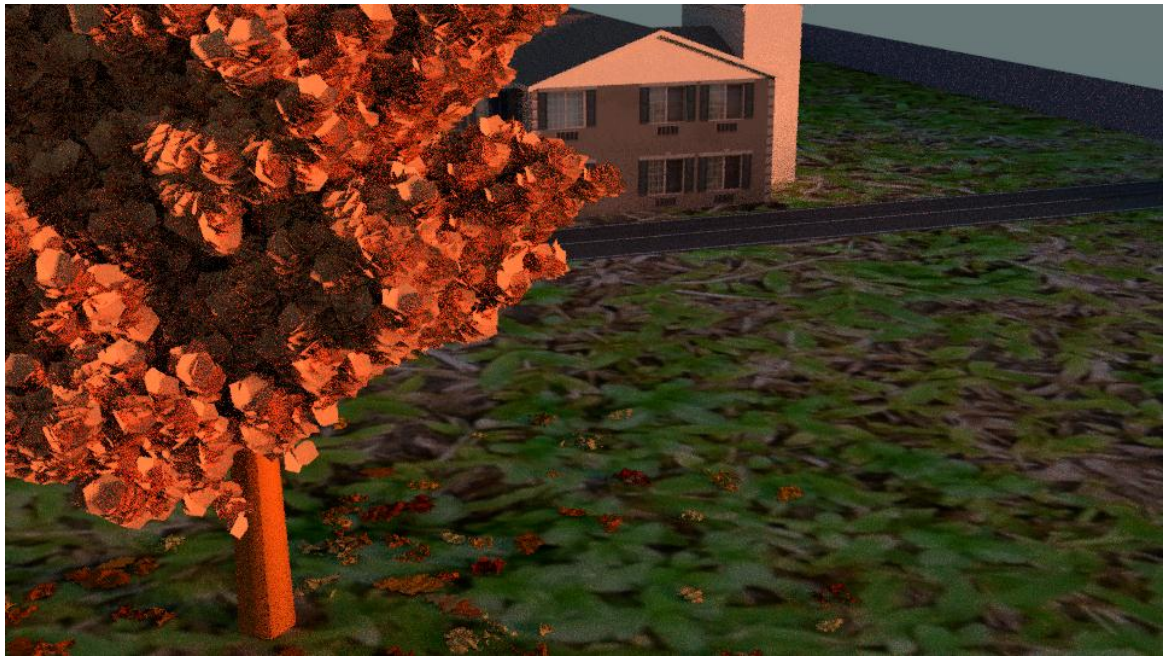
Ground detection 3/4

Otsu‘s threshold (T = 35)



Reference: Destination image

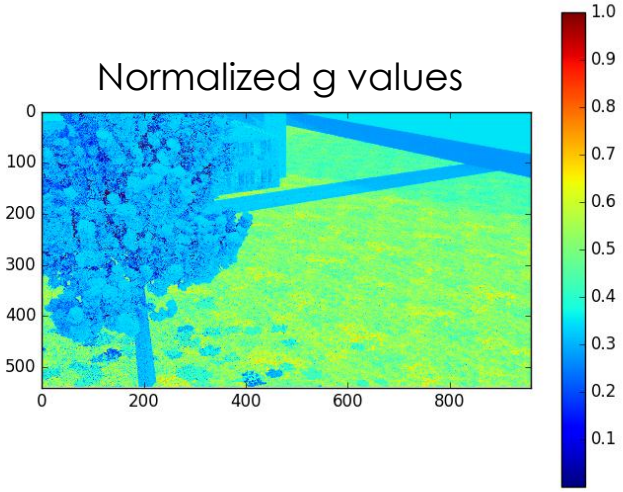
Ground detection 4/4

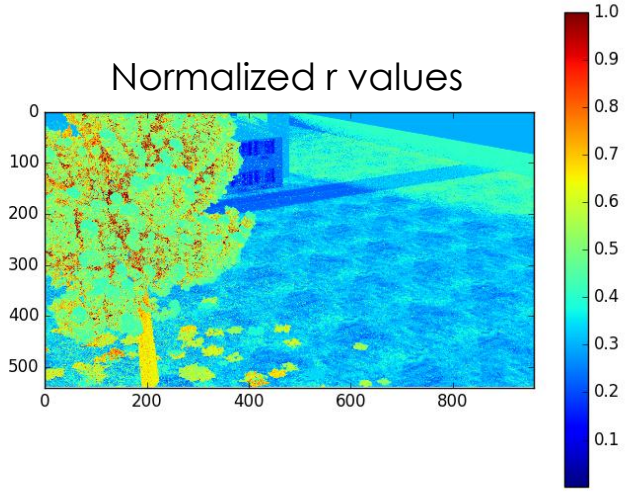


Destination image

Otsu's threshold (T = 38)

Color transformation 1/3





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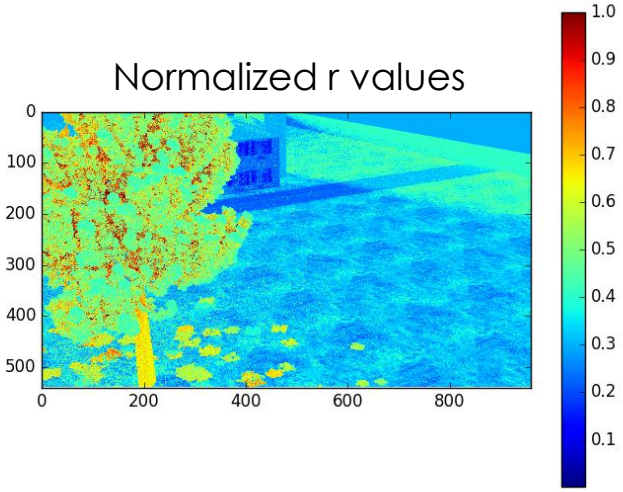
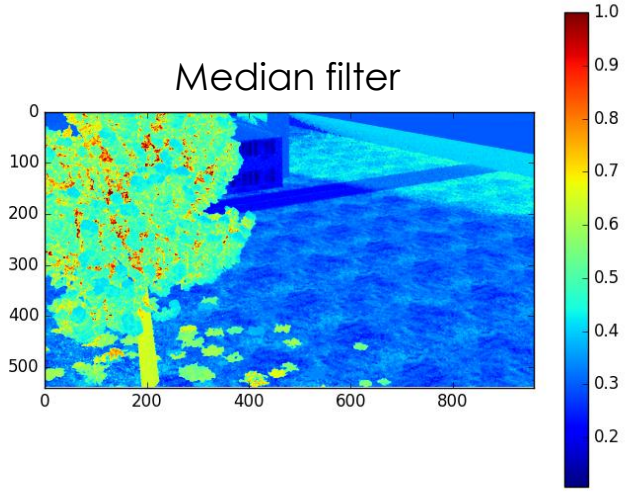
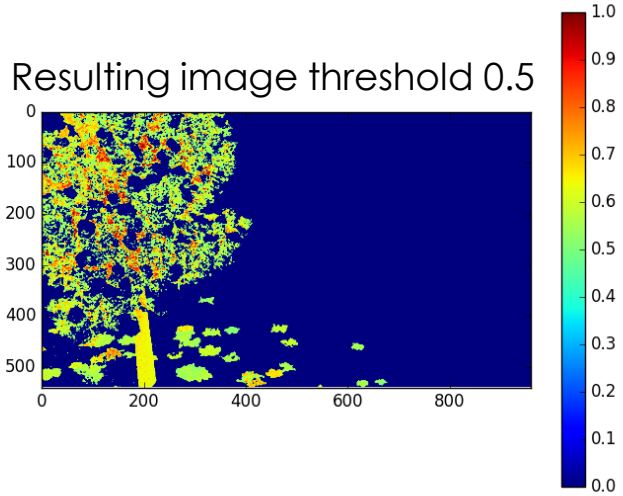


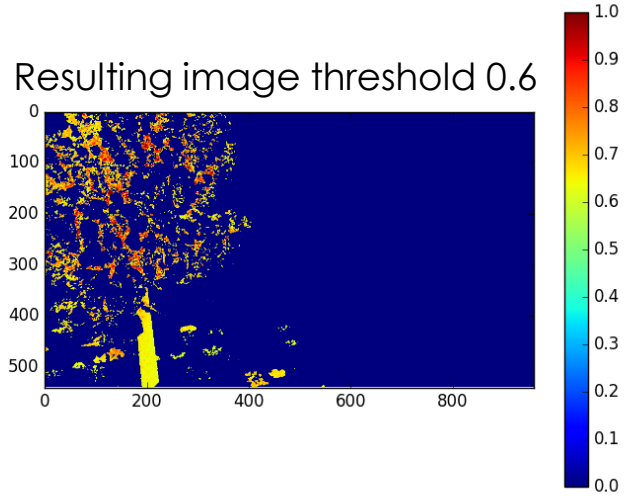


Color transformation 3/3

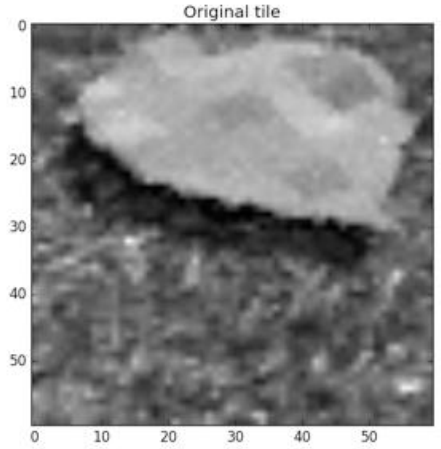
Resulting image threshold 0.5

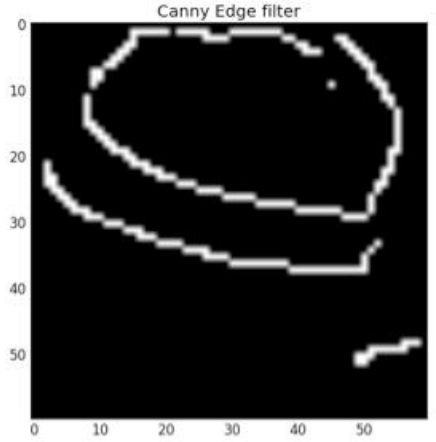


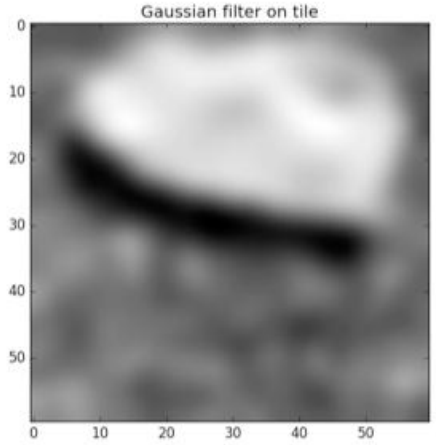
Resulting image threshold 0.6

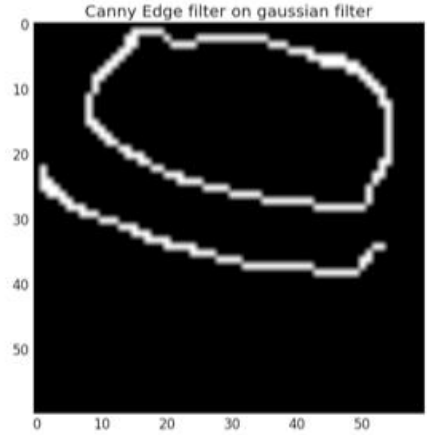


Edge detection 1/2

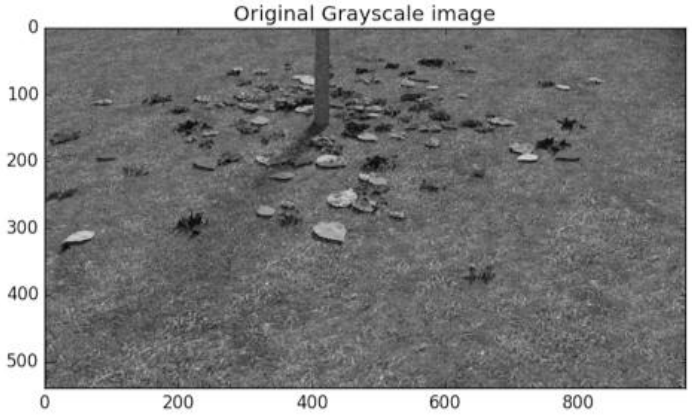


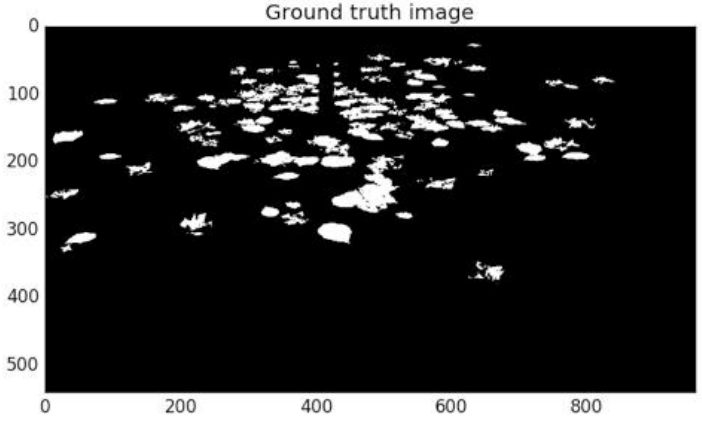


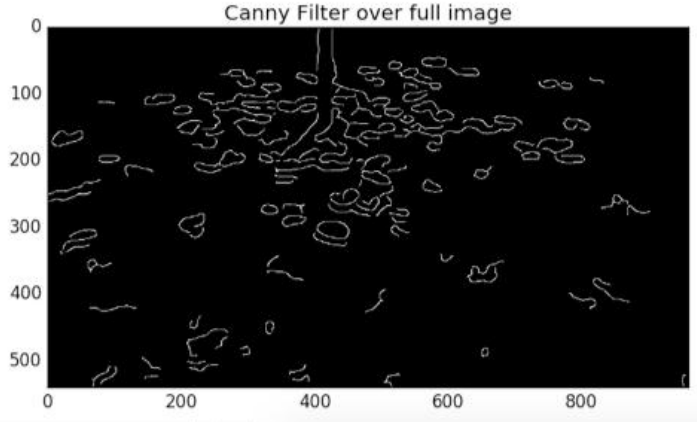


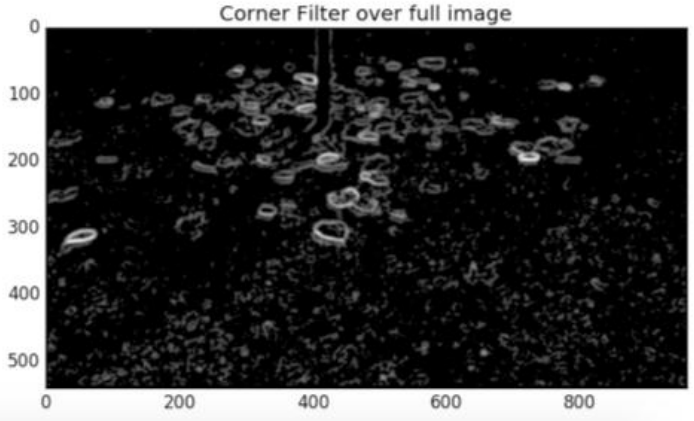


Edge detection 2/2

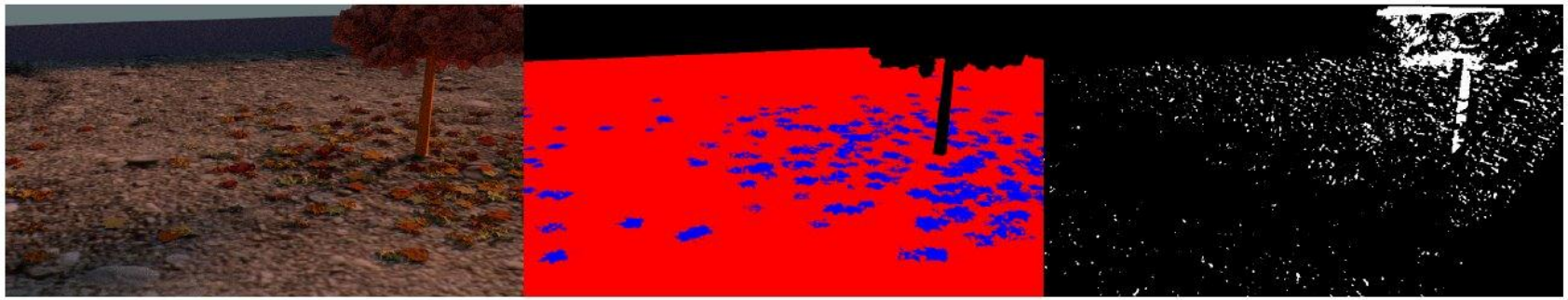




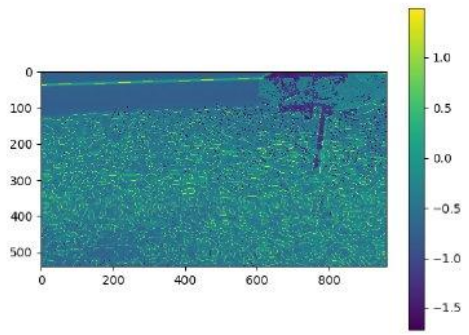


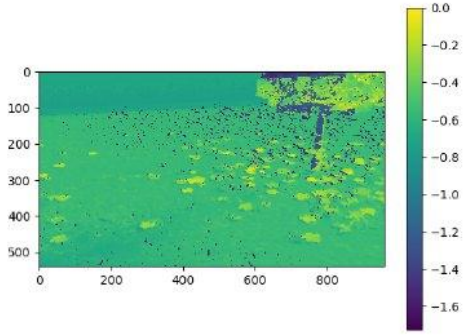


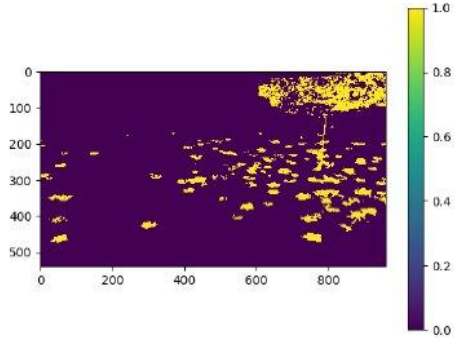
Results 1/2



(a) Orig. Image **(b)** GT **(c)** Ground detection







(d) inverted GD + color + edges + corner **(e)** inverted GD + color **(f)** thresholded, thr=-0.4

Results 2/2

Texture	Size of sample set	Accuracy	FPR	FNR	TP / # of foliage pixels	# of times not enough matches for GD
dirt.jpg	50	0.95	0.02	0.52	0.48	7
gras_02.jpg	50	0.96	0.02	0.55	0.45	4
gras_04.jpg	49	0.95	0.02	0.55	0.45	7
rocks.jpg	50	0.95	0.02	0.56	0.44	2
sand.jpg	49	0.95	0.02	0.52	0.48	10

dirt.jpg

gras_02.jpg

gras_04.jpg

rocks.jpg

sand.jpg

Discussion

- Ground detection (GD):
  - GD after color transformation
  - Imprecise warping
  - GD on both images and comparing them
- Color transformation:
  - Difficulty of fixing threshold
  - Handling of uncertainty not implemented yet
- Edge detection:
  - Entropy higher than expected
  - Contour filling not implemented yet

Thank you for your attention!