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## Image Acquisition, Display, and Perception

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## Lecture Objectives

- Previously
  - History
  - Related fields
  - Application areas
- Today
  - Image
    - Acquisition
    - Display
    - and Perception



# Recall

- Digital Image Processing (DIP)
  - Is computer manipulation of pictures, or images, that have been converted into numeric form

- Typical operations include
  - Image Compression
  - Image Warping
  - Contrast Enhancement
  - Blur Removal
  - Feature Extraction
  - Pattern Recognition



## Recall: Image Processing Goals

Image processing is

 a subclass of signal processing
 specifically concerned with picture images

#### – Goals

- To improve image quality for
  - human perception (subjective)
  - computer interpretation (objective)
- Develop methods and applications
  - to compress images
  - to provide efficient storage and transmission

## Sources of Images

- Principal source of images is the electromagnetic (EM) energy spectrum
  - EM waves are stream of massless (proton) particles each traveling in a wavelike pattern at the speed of light
    - Spectral bands are grouped by energy per photon
      - Gamma rays, X-rays, UV, Visible, Infrared, Micro, Radio...



## Physical Aspects of Acquisition

- Improvements extend beyond human eyes
  - From visible spectrum to non-visible EM power spectrum
  - From close-distance sensing to remote sensing



## Gamma-Ray Imaging

- Used in
  - Astronomy and Medicine
- Medicine
  - Positron Emission
     Tomography
  - Radioactive isotope injected into patient
    - Emits gamma rays as it decays
    - Allowing creation of medical images via detectors

FIGURE 1.6 Examples of gamma-ray imaging. (a) Bone scan. (b) PET image. (c) Cygnus Loop. (d) Gamma radiation (bright spot) from a reactor valve. (Images courtesy of (a) G.E. Medical Systems, (b) Dr. Michael È. Casey, CTI PET Systems, (c) NASA. (d) Professors Zhong He and David K. Wehe. University of Michigan.)



Cygnus Loop is in the constellation of Cygnus Energy of one photon (electron volts)  $10^{3}$  $10^{2}$  $10^{1}$  $10^{-1}$  $10^{-1}$  $10^{-2}$  $10^{-3}$  $10^{-5}$  $10^{-6}$  $10^{-7}$  $10^{-8}$  $10^{-9}$  $10^{4}$  $10^{-4}$ 10<sup>5</sup>  $10^{9}$ Gamma rays X-rays Ultraviolet Visible Infrared Microwaves Radio waves

## X-Ray Imaging

- Oldest source of EM radiation for imaging
  - CAT scans
  - angiograms
  - industrial inspection of circuit boards

FIGURE 1.7 Examples of X-ray imaging. (a) Chest X-ray. (b) Aortic angiogram. (c) Head CT. (d) Circuit boards. (e) Cygnus Loop. (Images courtesy of (a) and (c) Dr. David R. Pickens, Dept. of Radiology & Radiological Sciences, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, (b) Dr. Thomas R. Gest, Division of Anatomical Sciences, University of Michigan Medical School, (d) Mr. Joseph E. Pascente, Lixi, Inc., and (e) NASA.)





## Ultraviolet Imaging

- Used for
  - lithography
  - industrial inspection
  - biological imaging
  - astronomy
  - lasers
  - flourescence microscopy
    - Shown to the right
    - Photon of UV light collides with electron of fluorescent material to elevate its energy
    - As energy falls it emits red light

FIGURE 1.8 Examples of ultraviolet imaging. (a) Normal corn. (b) Smut corn.

> (Images courtesy of (a) and (b) Dr. Michael W. Davidson, Florida State University,





## Visible Imaging: Photography









## Visible Imaging: Motion Pictures



## Visible Imaging: Biometrics & Forensics







## Visible Imaging: Light Microscopy





## Visible Imaging: Remote Sensing



## Infrared (thermal) Imaging



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	Band No.	Name	Wavelength (µm)	Characteristics and Uses
	1	Visible blue	0.45-0.52	Maximum water penetration
	2	Visible green	0.52-0.60	Good for measuring plant vigor
	3	Visible red	0.63-0.69	Vegetation discrimination
	4	Near infrared	0.76-0.90	Biomass and shoreline mapping
TABLE 1.1 Thematic ba in NASA's LANDSAT satellite.	5 1ds	Middle infrared	1.55-1.75	Moisture content of soil and vegetation
	6	Thermal infrared	10.4-12.5	Soil moisture; thermal mapping
	7	Middle infrared	2.08-2.35	Mineral mapping



Rhett Allain http://www.wired.com/2014/10/seek-thermal-infrared-camera-iphone-android/



## Microwave Imaging: Radar



Rockwell Collins: Weather Radar Threat Tracking System



#### Radio Wave Imaging: MRI and Astronomy



10-9

 $10^{5}$ 

 $10^{6}$ 

## **Non-EM Imaging Sources**

- Acoustic Imaging
  - Translate sound waves into image signals
    - Ultrasounds, Seismic...
- Electron Microscopy
  - Shine a beam of electrons through specimen
- Synthetic Images in Computer Graphics
  - Computer generated
    - Non-existent in the real world
    - Graphics, Games, Digital Art...



### Acoustic Imaging

#### visible

#### seismic





potential locations of oil/gas

## Electron Microscope



visible image



Same circuit under electron microscope Shows damage from electrical overstress

### **Cartoon Images**









### Images from Video Games



## Summary: Acquisition & Generation

Sources

#### - Electromagnetic (EM) spectrums



- Acoustic Imaging
  - EX: Ultrasounds, Seismic Imaging...
- Electron Microscopy
- Synthetic Images
  - Computer Generated
    - Graphics, Games, Digital Art...







# Image Display

- Many types of display devices
  - For Digital Images
    - CRT, Plasma, LCD, LED...
    - HDTV, display wall...
    - Tablet, Cell phone, Gameboy...
    - Stereoscopic 3D



## CRT Monitors and TVs





#### top view



The holes in the mask are arranged so that the electron beam from the blue gun, for instance, can bombard only the blue phosphor dots.







## Plasma TVs



- Array of light emitting gas cells sandwiched between 2 glass sheets
  - Requires a glass panel, but no "external" light source

# LCD: Liquid Crystal Display



32" (81cm) Full HD LCD TV • Model: 32(5560 • Resolution: 1920 x 1080

http://mybroadband.co.za/news/gadgets/ 59323-cool-tech-deals-this-weekend-4.html/ attachment/lg-32-inch-full-hd-lcd-tv

1973



1993

Electronic calculator

Succeeded in putting electronic calculators to practical use. Developed the world's first COS pocket electronic calculator incorporating an LCD.

3-inch LCD color TV Created vivid images with the highest pixel number in the industry.

AQUOS debuted as the

perfect TV for homes of

the 21st century. Equipped

with Advanced Super View

LCD, AQUOS achieved high

resolution with the highest

brightness in the industry.

1987

2001

Personal digital assistant AQUOS LCD TV

Produced a personal digital

assistant (PDA) capable of

items such as address books

managing basic business

and schedules pioneered

the PDA market.



2005

1992



LCD ViewCam

Installed a 4-inch color LCD

monitor in a video camera.

AQUOS full-HD LCD TV

These AQUOS featured further-evolved technologies such as newly developed full-HD panels. Contrast, response time, viewing angle, and reproduction of colors were dramatically improved.

#### Sharp's History of LCD development

http://www.sharp.net.au/articles/lcd-televisions/why-sharp-lcd-tv/



http://www.guidingtech.com/26940/led-lcd-plasma-difference/

## LED: Light Emitting Diode



http://www.guidingtech.com/26940/led-lcd-plasma-difference/

### **Transparent LCD**





#### Hisense: Transparent 3D TV, 2013

http://www.bbc.com/news/technology-20957845

http://www.applianceretailer.com.au/2013/01/kvvntjtalp/#.VcJkgPmXoXE



#### Samsung: Solar-Powered LCD Transparent TV, March 2011

http://inhabitat.com/samsung-unveils-solar-powered-zero-energy-transparent-tv/

### Various VR and 3D Displays



## More VR and 3D



## Virtual Retinal Display



http://www.tested.com/tech/459020-hands-avegants-virtual-retinal-display-prototype/

#### AiRScouter



http://vandrico.com/wearables/device/air-scouter



- Virtual Retinal Display
  - aka Retinal Scan Display or Retinal Projector
    - Draw a raster display directly on the retina of the eye

## Images for the Blind

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http://blitab.com/

## **Display Summary**

- Many types of display devices

   Each has unique features and requirements
- Digital Images must "appear correct" on all of these
  - Standards help
  - Yet
    - The same image may not inherently display correctly
    - Adjustments (image processing) may be required
- Human Perception adds complications


## Perception and the Human Eye

• We use our eyes to observe and evaluate images

- We should understand how our eyes work
  - What intensity differences can we distinguish?
  - What is the spatial resolution of our eye?
  - How accurately do we estimate length and area?
  - How do we sense colors?
  - By which features can we detect/distinguish objects?
- Gain in Understanding by Examining "oddities"

## **Comparative Length**

- Same Length
  - Vertical may appear longer



• Table tops are same size

#### **Comparative Length 2**



- Horizontal Lines are same length
  - Upper line may appear longer

### Simultaneous Contrast: Light vs Dark



### Similar Perception Errors in Color



### Ambiguous Images







Duck or Rabbit?



# Thatcher





- Eyes and mouth are inverted
  - But you don't notice when the entire image is upside down
    - because the mouth and eyes are "correct" then

## **Rotation Illusion**

- Rotation occurs in relation to eye motion
- Effect stops if you fixate your eyes
- Rotation direction depends on polarity of the luminance steps
- Asymmetric luminance steps are required to trigger motion detectors
  - in eye/brain



#### Closer "Look"

• Why do these oddities occur?

• We have some ideas...



## **Human Perception**

- Human Eye
- Lightness Perception
- Brightness
- Contrast
- Illusions

## Human Eye



Image from: http://webvision.med.utah.edu/anatomy.html



Three membranes enclose the eye: Cornea and sclera, Choroid, Retina

> ciliary body

iris diaphragm

Pupil size: 2-8mm

Eye color: melanin (pigment) in iris

## Retina

• When the eye is properly focused, light from an outside object is imaged on the retina

- Two classes of receptors are located over the surface of retina: cones and rods
  - <u>Cone</u>: 6-7 million in each eye, central part of retina (fovea) and highly sensitive to <u>color</u>
  - <u>Rod</u>: 75-150 million, all over the retina surface and sensitive to low levels of <u>illumination</u>

#### **Rods and Cones**



**FIGURE 2.2** Distribution of rods and cones in the retina.

## Image Formation in the Eye



## **Human Perception**

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## Perception of Lightness

- *Luminance* is the amount of visible light that comes to the eye from a surface
- *Illuminance* is the amount of light incident on a surface
- *Reflectance* is the proportion of incident light that is reflected from a surface
  - Varies from 0% to 100%
    - 0% is ideal black
    - 100% is ideal white.
    - In practice,

average black paint is about 5% and average white paint about 85%.

## Math: Image Formation Model

Image Formation Model

f(x, y)	0 < f(x, y) < ∞	<b>Intensity</b> which is proportional to the energy radiated by a physical source
i(x, y)	0 < i(x, y) < ∞	<i>illumination</i> is amount of source illumination incident on the scene being viewed
r(x, y)	0 < r(x, y) < 1	<i>reflectance</i> is the amount of illumination reflected by objects in the scene
n(x, y)		noise is various measurement errors

nature of i(x, y) is determined by the illumination source (light source) nature of r(x, y) is determined by the object(s) in the scene

f(x,y) = i(x,y) \* r(x,y) + n(x, y)

## Formation Model: Example



#### Question:

How to separate r(x,y) and i(x,y) from f(x,y)? For Answer: Google "intrinsic images"

## Illustration: Checker-Block



Patches p and q have the same reflectance, but different luminances.

Patches q and r have different reflectances and different luminances; they share the same illuminance.

Patches p and r <u>happen to</u> have the <u>same luminance</u>, because the lower reflectance of p is counterbalanced by its higher illuminance.

#### **Visual Context**



### **Lightness Illusion**



If we cover the left side and view the right, it appears that the stripes are due to different lighting on the stair steps (illumination). If we cover the right side of the figure and view the left side, it appears that the stripes are due to paint (reflectance).

### More Illusions



#### Squares A and B --- same value or different?

SAME

## **Human Perception**

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## **Brightness Adaptation**



Log of intensity (mL)

"brightness adaptation"

#### Mach Bands



Distance from left edge



As soon as rectangles touch: Contrast between them becomes more exaggerated

i.e. Dark band at top looks more dark when it touches the middle band

## **Brightness Discrimination**



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FIGURE 2.5 Basic experimental setup used to characterize brightness discrimination.

Weber's Law The ratio of the increment threshold to the background intensity is constant

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bright white dots at intersection when you look directly at them,

black dots when you are not

## **Human Perception**

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## **Contrast Effects**

- A contrast effect is
  - the enhancement or diminishment relative to the 'normal' of perception or cognition as a result of successive or simultaneous exposure to a stimulus of lesser or greater value
    - 'normal' here means the perception or cognition that would occur if the other stimulus was not present
      - i.e. what it would appear to be "normally"

## **Example: Simultaneous Contrast**



Same luminance but varying brightness (perceived luminance)

FIGURE 2.8 Examples of simultaneous contrast. All the inner squares have the same intensity, but they appear progressively darker as the background becomes lighter.

a b c

## **Example: Successive Contrast**

- Stare at the dot in one of the two top circles
- Then look at bottom circles
  - They will appear different colors/shades (but are the same)



#### **Common Issues with Contrast**



a b c

FIGURE 2.41 Images exhibiting (a) low contrast, (b) medium contrast, and (c) high contrast.

## **Human Perception**

- Human Eye
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- Illusions

## **Optical Illusions**



# Lastly





## Summary: Human Perception

- Human Eye
- Lightness Perception
- Brightness
- Contrast





## Questions?

- Beyond D2L
  - Examples and information can be found online at:
    - http://docdingle.com/teaching/cs.html

• Continue to more stuff as needed



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## **Extra Reference Stuff Follows**



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