Introduction to Computer Vision

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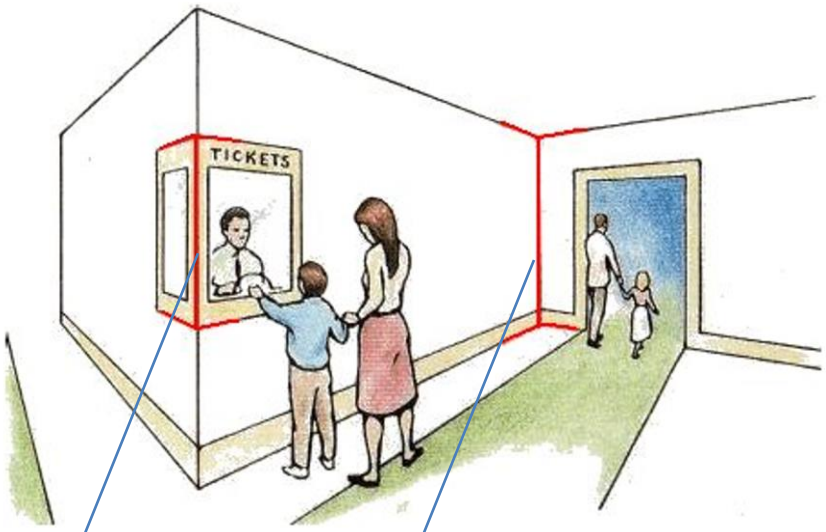
How do we perceive lengths?



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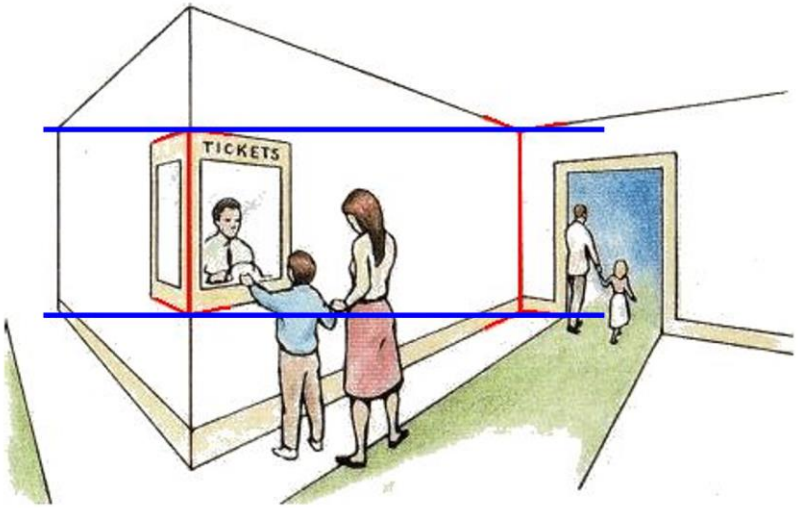
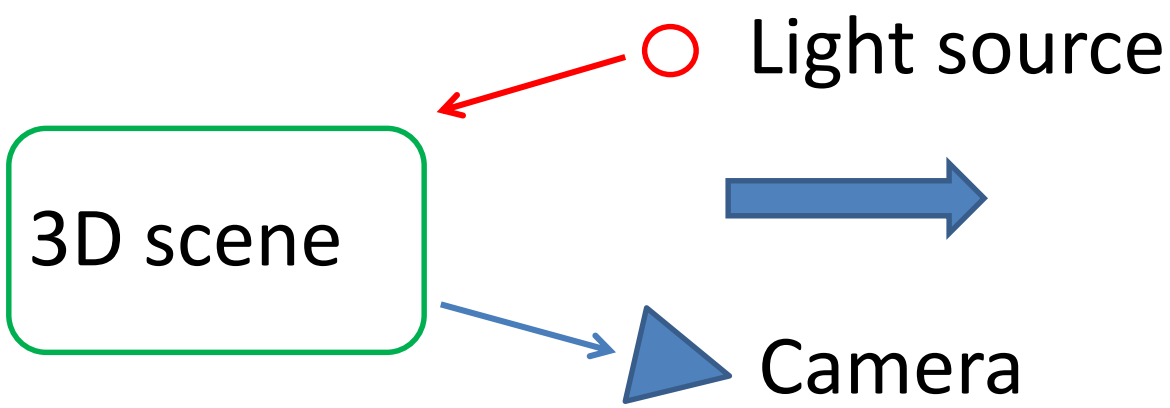


[Müller-Lyer Illusion]

Is a < b?

[http://www.michaelbach.de/ot/sze-muelue/index.html]

What is computer vision?

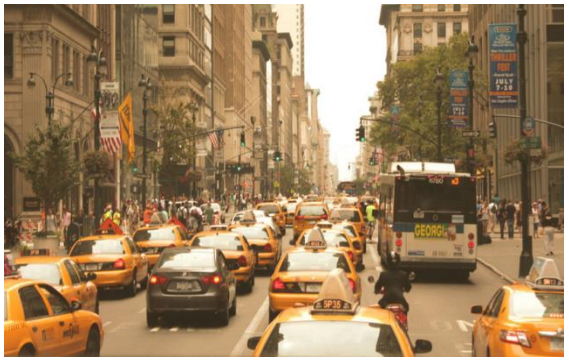


- Same image can not be captured twice
  - viewpoint, scene, and lighting changes
- What led to this image? (some kind of detective work!)
  - geometry, objects (humans, cars), lighting, camera pose
- “Vision is putting the toothpaste back into the tube” – John Mayhew

What can you infer?

- Where is this photo taken?
- When was this photo taken?
- What is the height of the photographer?

Applications of computer vision



Autonomous driving

Health

Factory automation

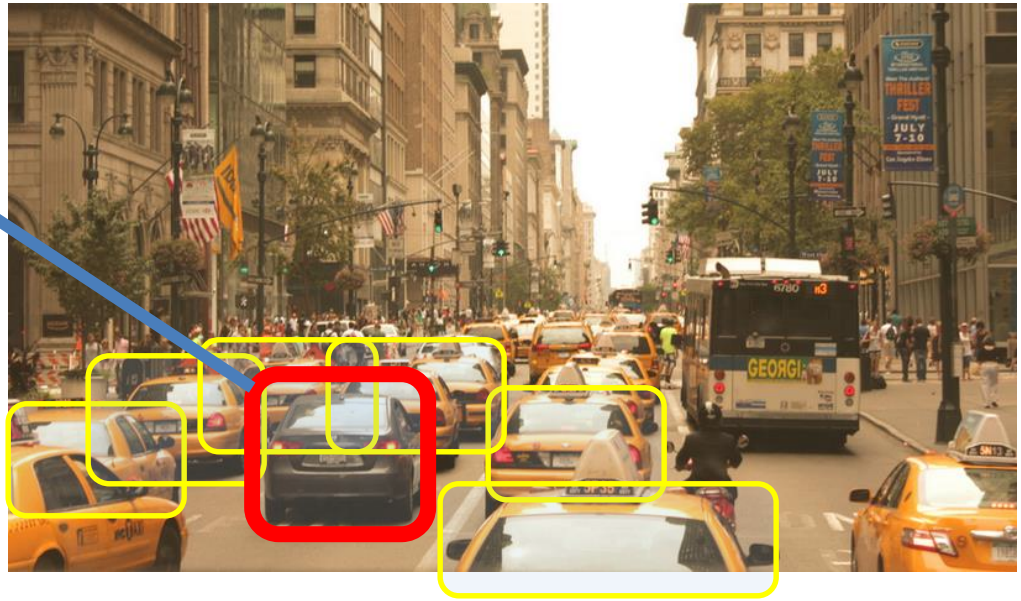
Gaming

Home appliances
(camera + vacuum cleaner)

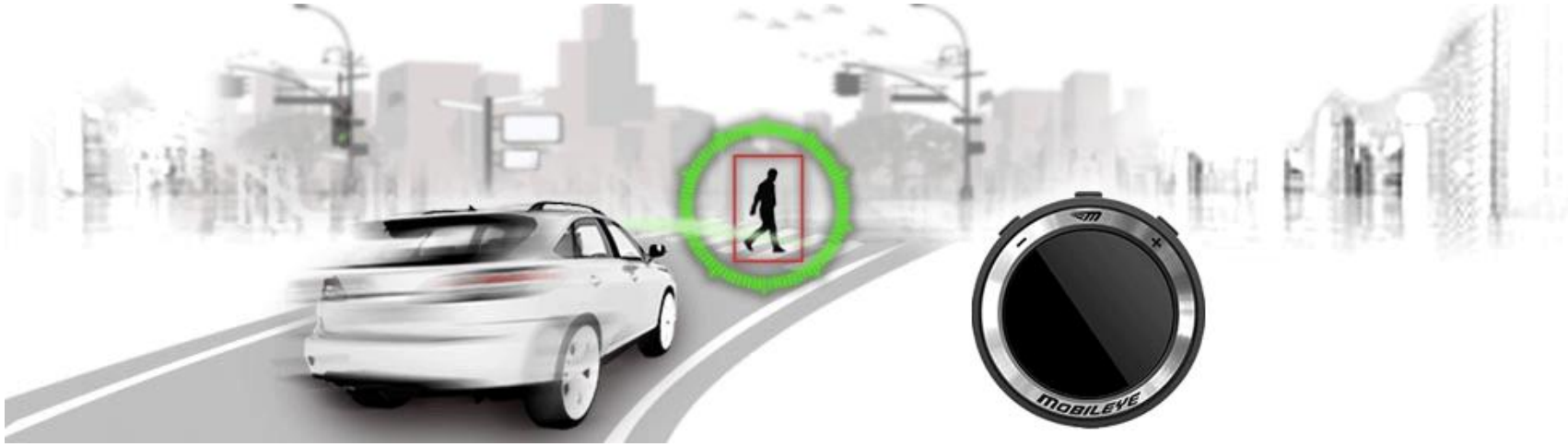
Surveillance

Is autonomous driving hard?

- Location
- Path planning
- Surroundings
- Predicting the behavior of neighbors
  – recursive!



Mobileye

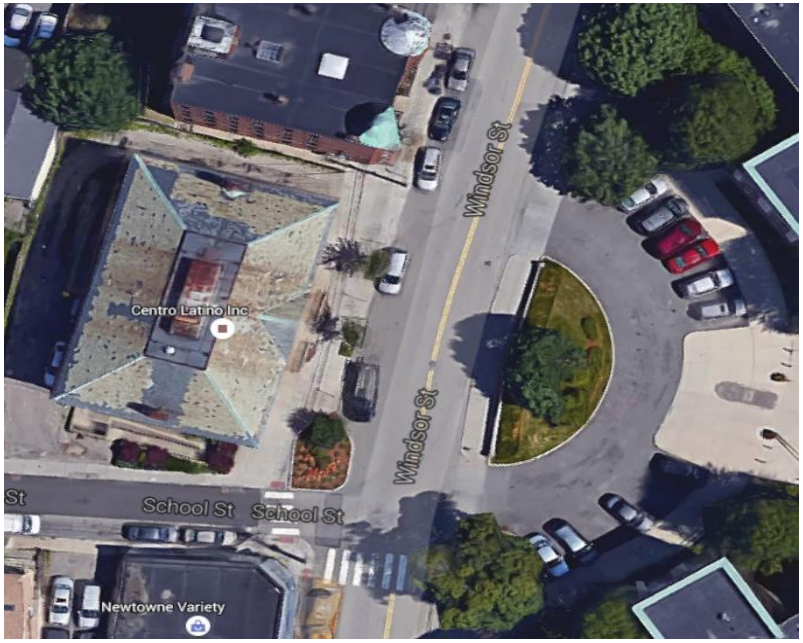


[Image courtesy: Mobileye]

Provides several functionalities like pedestrian collision warning, lane departure warning, etc.

Google Earth

High resolution 3D model



Aerial image with roads marked

[Courtesy: Google Earth and Maps]

Self-driving Car from Google

The going rate for self-driving talent is $10 million per person – Sebastian Thrun, http://www.recode.net/2016/9/17/12943214/sebastian-thrun-self-driving-talent-pool

Face detection

[Image courtesy: Szeliski]

- Most digital cameras can detect faces now.

[Paul Viola and Michael Jones, 2001]

Reconstructing the interiors of museums for Google Earth

Jianxiong Xiao and Yasutaka Furukawa

Exploring Image Collections in 3D

Microsoft Photo Tourism Project
Noah Snavely, Steve Seitz, and Rick Szeliski

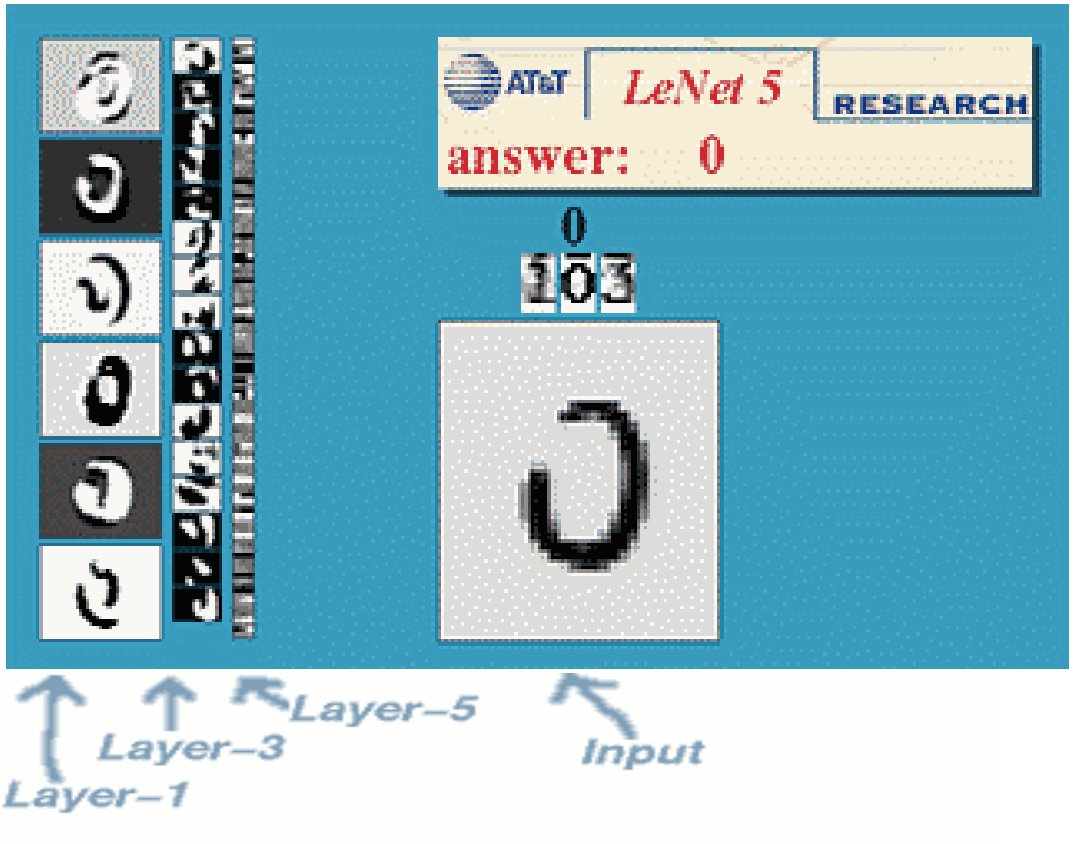
Microsoft Kinect: Gaming and beyond

Depth image

Segmented body parts

[Shotton et al. 2011]

Optical character recognition (OCR)

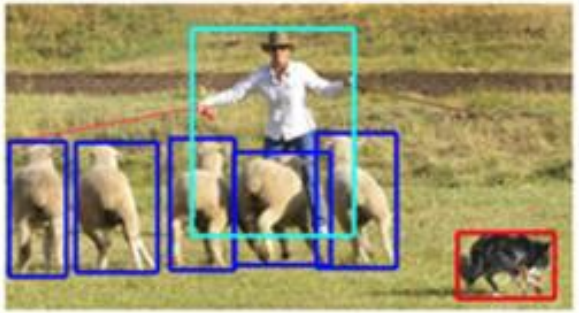


[Image courtesy: http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/lenet/ Digit Recognition, AT & T Labs]

Applications of OCR: reading checks, postal addresses, assisting blind people, reading number plates, etc.

Interpretation of images from social networks

(a) classification



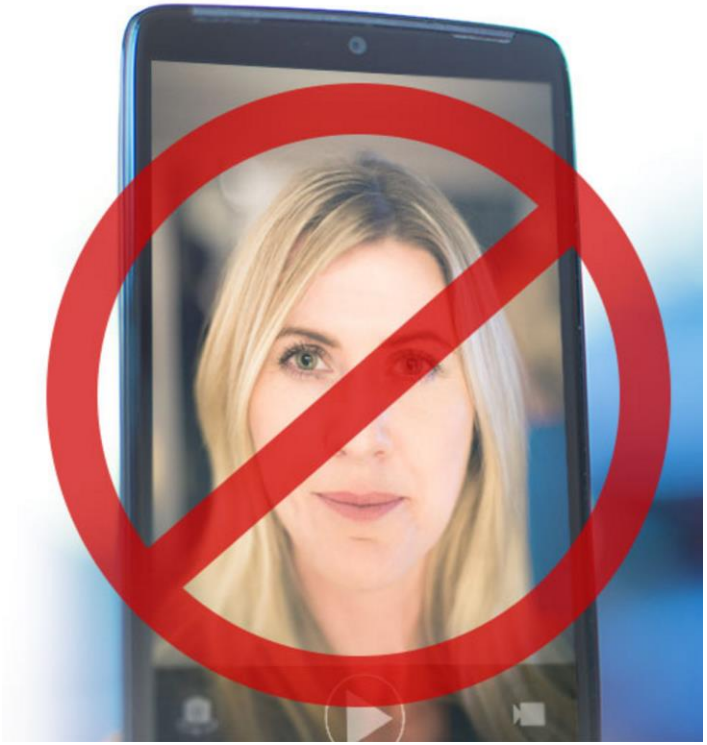
(b) detection

(c) segmentation

[Image courtesy: Facebook]

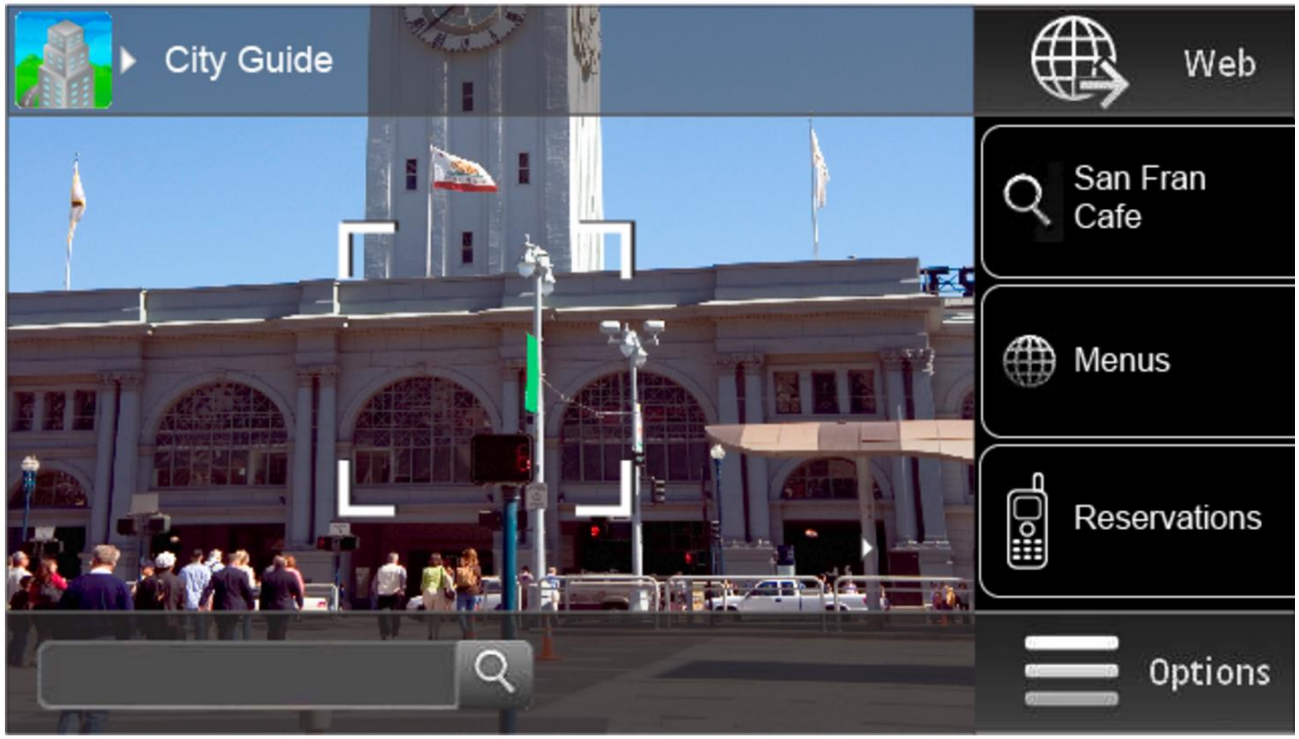
~1.6 billion people and growing fast!

Face authentication can not be fooled



[www.sensiblevision.com]

Object recognition (in mobile phones)



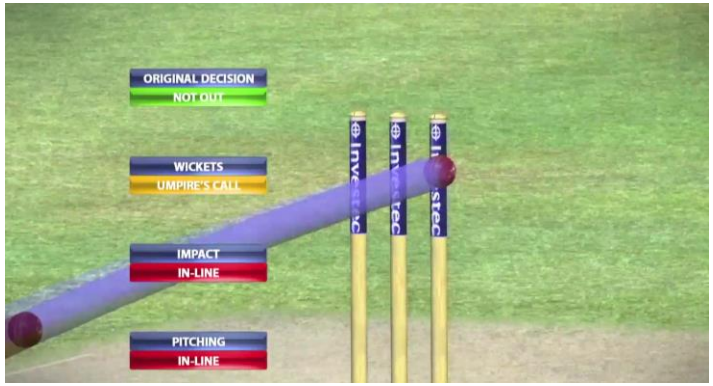
Point and Find App, Nokia

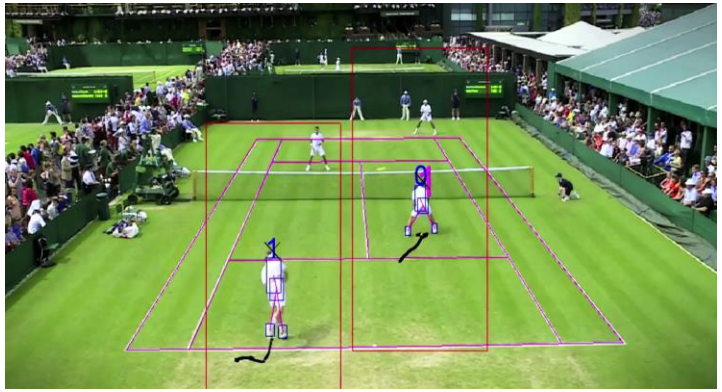
3D Modeling from a collection of Images

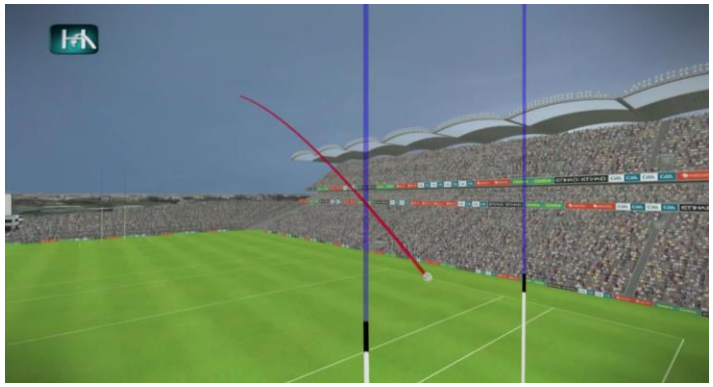
[From Debevec's PhD Thesis: The Campanile Movie]

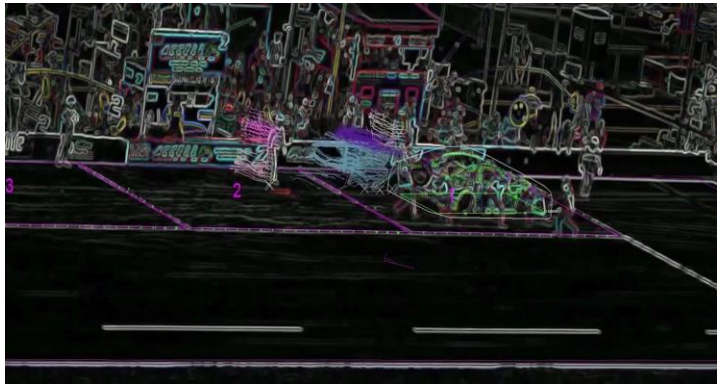
The Bullet Time: The Matrix

Sports Analysis









- Some kind of tracking of players and balls!

[http://www.hawkeyeinnovations.co.uk/]

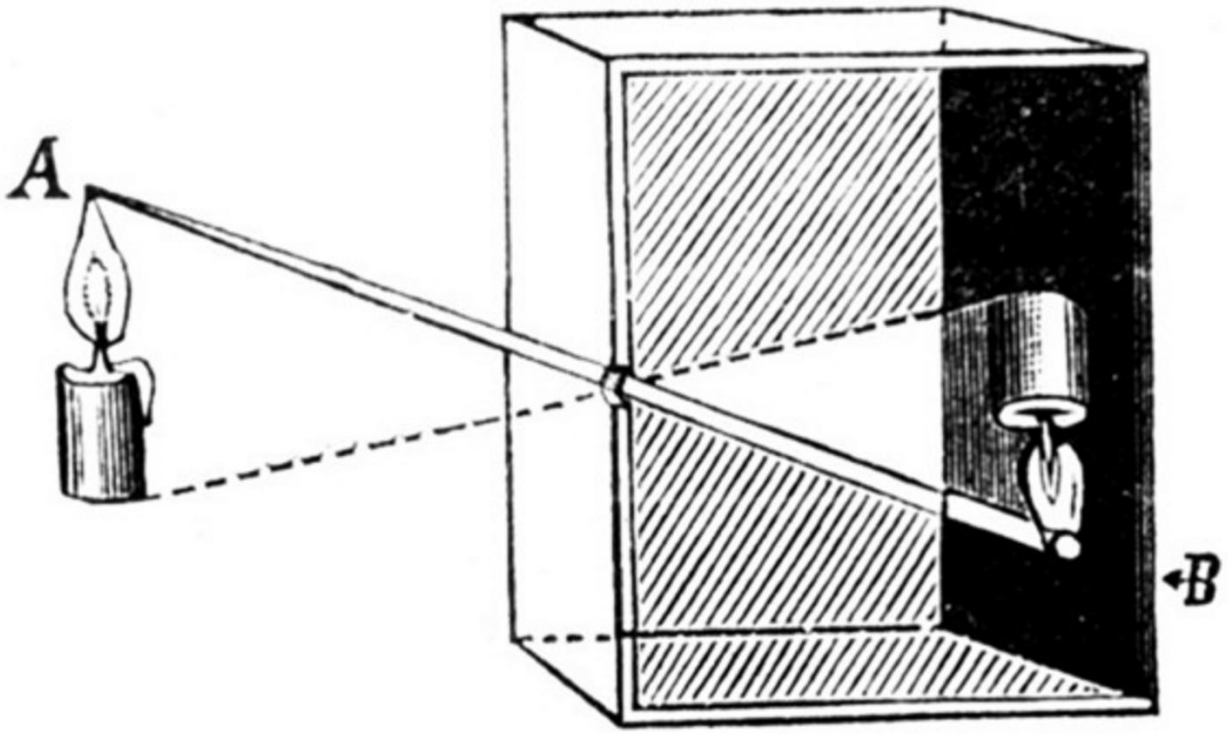
StreetScore

[https://www.media.mit.edu/projects/streetscore/overview/]

Course Website

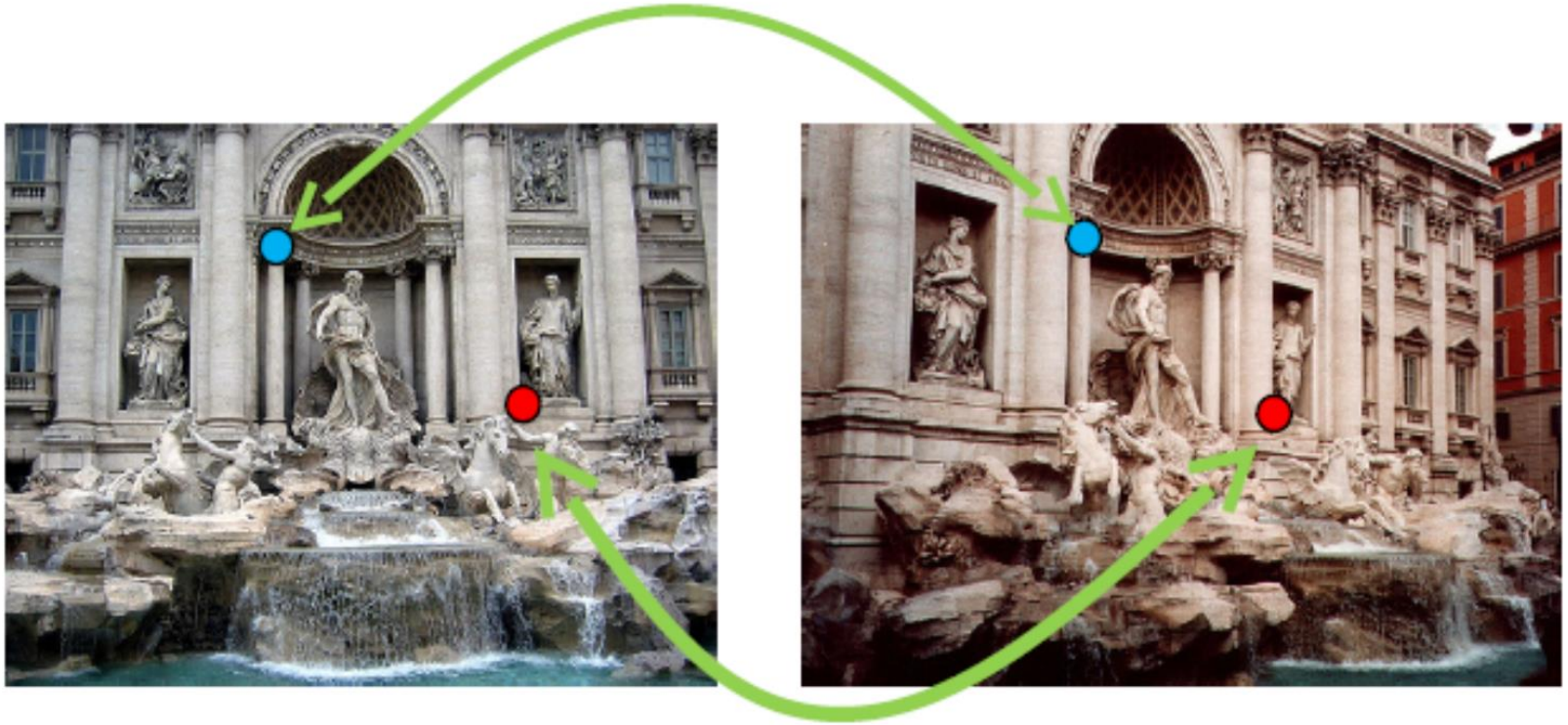
- https://www.cs.utah.edu/~srikumar/cv_spring2017.htm

Camera Models and Image Formation



- Camera obscura, pinhole model, projection of 3D scene on 2D images, etc.

Feature detectors and matching



Keypoint matching under varying illumination

- Basic understanding of keypoints, feature descriptors, and matching

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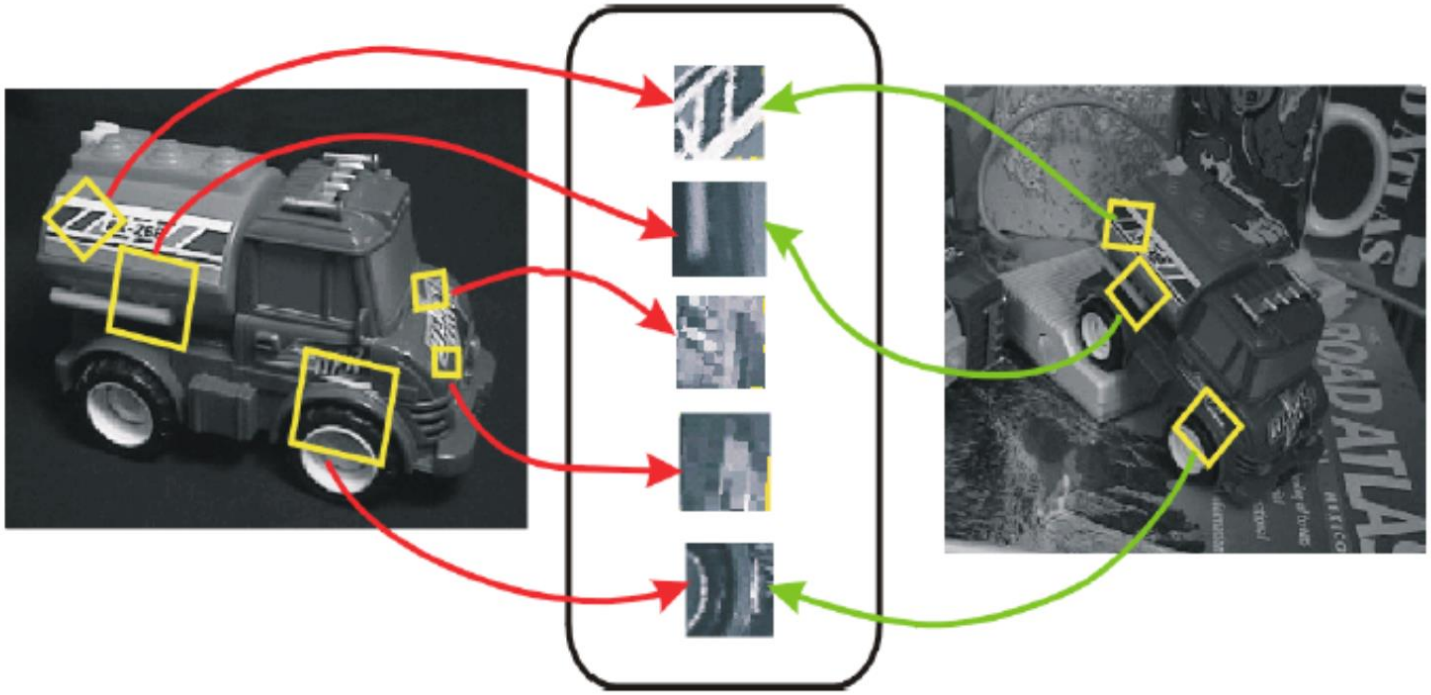
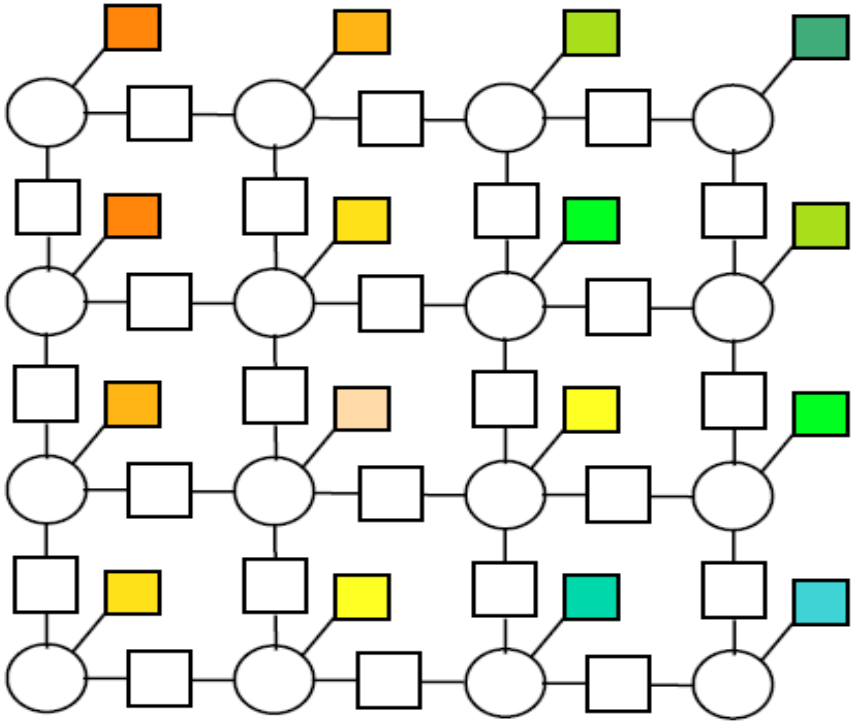


Keypoint matching under varying viewpoints

- Basic understanding of keypoints, feature descriptors, and matching

Inference problems



Goal: find most probable interpretation of scene

[Courtesy: J. Yedidia]

- Inference on Markov Random Fields

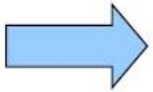
Simple Segmentation problems with 2-labels

[Boykov and Jolly'2001, Rother et al. 2004]

Multi-label problems

Left Camera Image

Right Camera Image



Dense Stereo Result

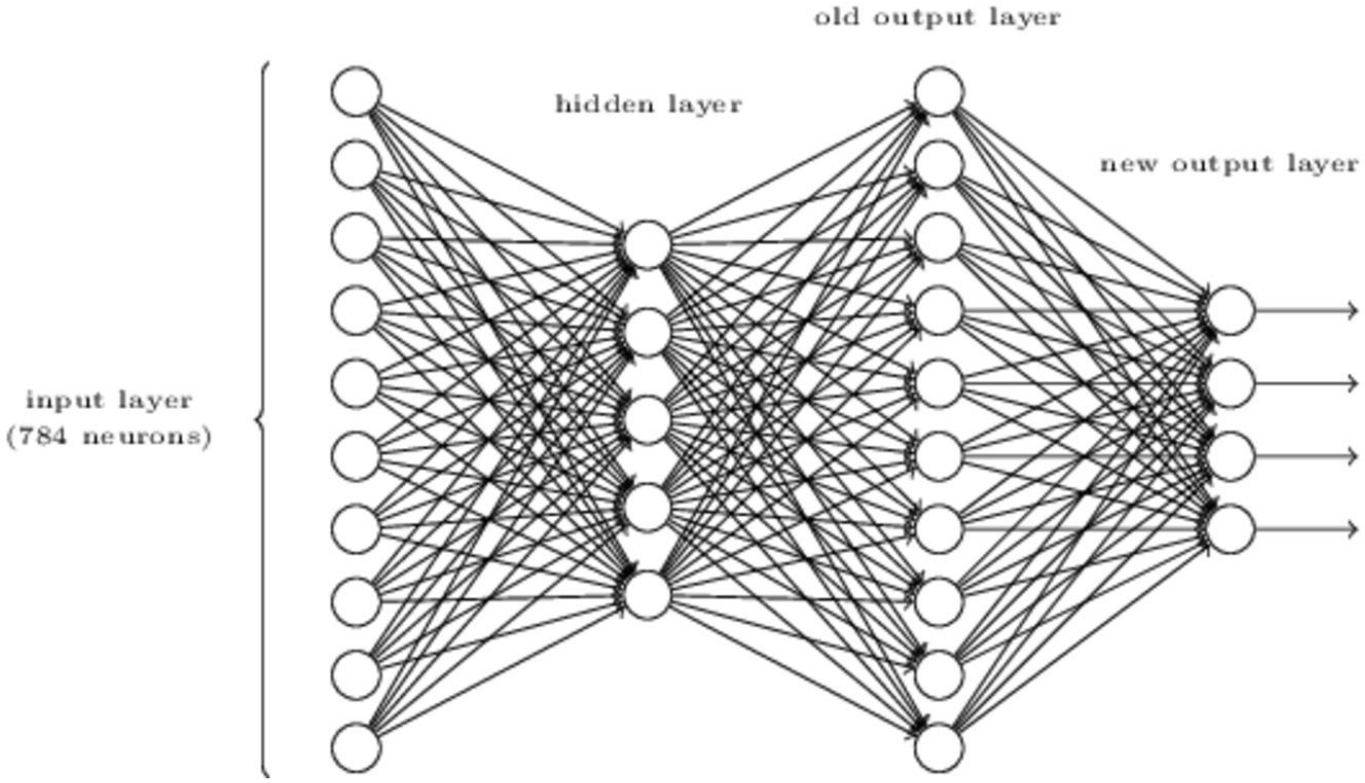
- Choose the disparities from the discrete set: $(1,2,\ldots,L)$

Human Detection

[Dalal and Triggs, 2005]

Object Class Segmentation

Deep Neural Networks



http://neuralnetworksanddeeplearning.com/

- We will discuss some of the basics and learn to use the existing deep learning packages such as caffe or tensorflow.

Thank You!