

ELEG404/604: Imaging & Deep Learning

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Introduction

Course Objectives & Structure

Imaging is everywhere at the heart of science, medicine, entertainment, engineering and communications. This course provides and introduction to mathematical and deep learning tools for image sensing and processing.

Course Structure:

- ► Weekly lectures [notes: eecis.udel.edu/~arce/courses/digitalimgproc/].
- ► Homework & computer assignments [20%].
- ▶ 2 Midterms [40%].
- ► Final Exam [20%].
- ► Project [20%].

Textbook:

Class notes and reference articles.

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Imaging: Key for Future Technology

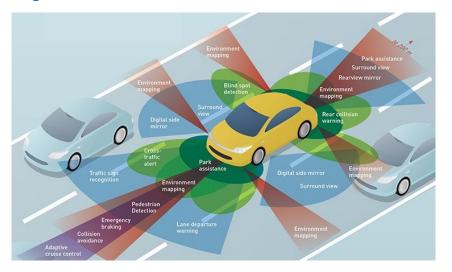


Rise of the robots.



Boston Dynamics

Self-Driving Cars



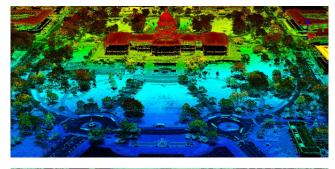
Long-range radar

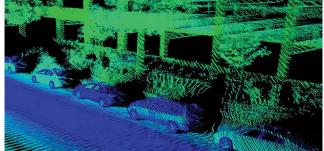
Ultrasound Optical Cameras Short/medium-range radar

Imaging: Self-Driving Cars

- ► Long-range radar: Microwave at 77 GHz has low resolution. Measure speed and detect vehicles 200 m away.
- Ultrasound: Short range. Identify close objects, e.g. parking.
- ► Short/medium-range radar: 24-GHz. Detects velocity and distance.
- Optical Cameras: Good spatial resolution, but cannot measure distance or velocity. Rely on external light.
- ► Lidar: Emits short pulses in steerable and tightly focused beam, measuring a million points a second. Detect objects at 200-300. Measures velocity directly. High resolution. High cost.

Lidar





Imaging: Smart Phones



Imaging: Smart Phones

New sensing:

Multiple lenses and Al software. Instantly recognize different scenes and situations for maximum photo quality.





Night Sight: Seeing in the Dark on Pixel Phones





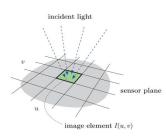
Left: iPhone XS. Right: Pixel 3 Night Sight.

Photographs in very low light, even in light so dim you can't see much. It does not uses flash.

Introduction

Digital imaging refers to processing of digital images by means of a computer.

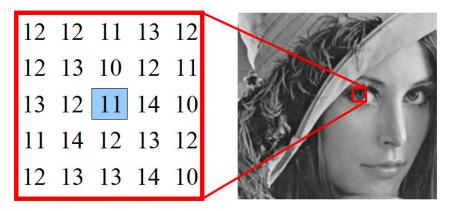
- An image may be defined as a function f(x,y), where (x,y) are spatial coordinates and f(x,y) is the intensity
- When x, y and f are all finite, discrete quantities the image is called a digital image
- ► Each f(x,y) are referred to as picture elements, image elements, pels or pixels





What is an image?

An image is a matrix of numbers.

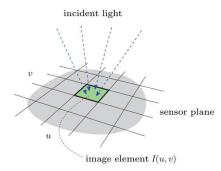


Each individual number in this matrix is a picture element or PIXEL.

Going Digital

Projection on the image plane of a camera is a two-dimensional, time-dependent, continuous distribution of light energy. To convert this image into a digital image, 3 steps are necessary:

- Spatial sampling
- Temporal sampling
- Quantization of pixel values



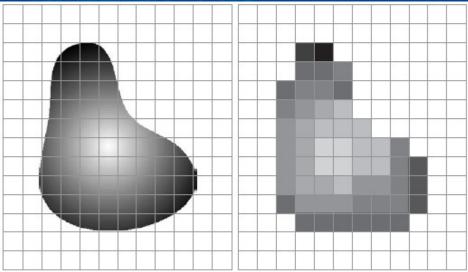
Going Digital

- Spatial sampling: Conversion of the continuous signal to its discrete representation.
- ► Temporal sampling: Integrates at regular intervals the amount of light incident on each individual sensor element.
- Quantization of pixel values: Image values on the computer they are commonly converted to an integer scale



F(x,y)

148 123 52 107 123 162 172 123 64 147 130 92 95 98 130 171 155 169 163 . . 141 118 121 148 117 107 144 137 136 134 . . 82 106 93 172 149 131 138 114 113 129 ---57 101 72 54 109 111 104 135 106 125 --138 135 114 82 121 110 34 76 101 111 ... 138 102 128 159 168 147 116 129 124 117 ... 89 89 109 106 126 114 150 164 145 ... 121 123 87 85 70 119 64 79 127 ... 145 141 143 134 111 124 117 113 64 112 ...



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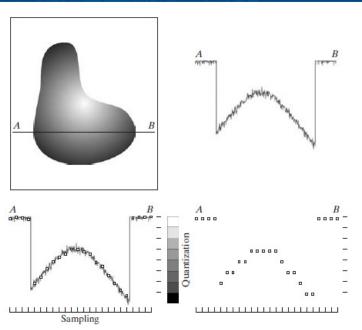
FIGURE 2.17 (a) Continuous image projected onto a sensor array. (b) Result of image sampling and quantization.



Intensity Image

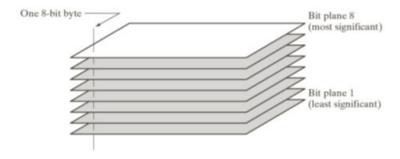
In a intensity image, the number corresponds to a shade of gray.



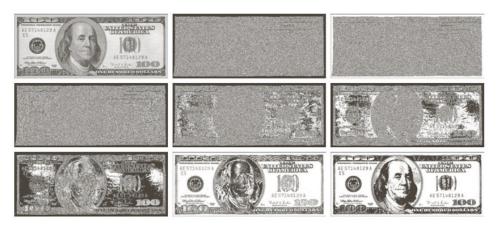


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FIGURE 2.16 Generating a digital image. (a) Continuous image. (b) A scan line from A to Bin the continuous image, used to illustrate the concepts of sampling and quantization. (c) Sampling and quantization. (d) Digital scan line.



Bit-plane representation of an 8-bit image.



abc def ghi

FIGURE 3.14 (a) An 8-bit gray-scale image of size 500×1192 pixels. (b) through (i) Bit planes 1 through 8, with bit plane 1 corresponding to the least significant bit. Each bit plane is a binary image.

Pixel Values

Information within an image element depends on the data type used to represent it. A pixel can be represented by any of 2^k different values. Common image types:

Grayscale (Intensity Images):

Chan.	Bits/Pix.	Range	Use	
1	1	01	Binary image: document, illustration, fax	
1	8	0255	Universal: photo, scan, print	
1	12	04095	High quality: photo, scan, print	
1	14	016383	Professional: photo, scan, print	
1	16	065535	Highest quality: medicine, astronomy	

Quantization

How many different colors are needed to represent a particular image?



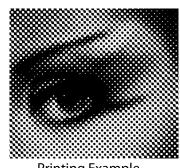




Binary images

- Binary image pixels can take on one of two values, black or white.
- These values are encoded using a single bit (0/1) per pixel.
- Used for representing line graphics, archiving documents, encoding fax transmissions, and by many printers.





Printing Example



RGB Image

RED



GREEN

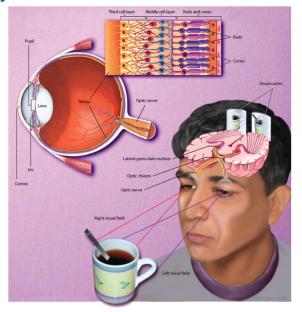


BLUE





Why Red, Green and Blue

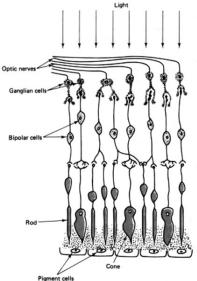


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Why Red, Green and Blue

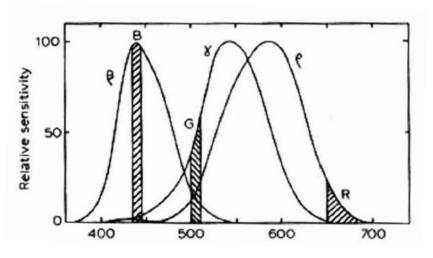
Human retina contains two types of light sensitive cells.

- ► RODS-sensitive to light intensity, sees only in gray-scale.
- Cones-see color. Red light, green light and Blue light sensitive cones.





Why Red, Green and Blue



Light sensitive curves for the red, green and blue sensitive cones.

Image Sensing

Interest in digital imaging methods stems from two main applications:

- Improvement of pictorial information for human interpretation
 - ▶ Vision is the most advanced of human senses
 - ► Limited to visual band of EM spectrum
- Processing of image data for medicine, science, surveilance, consumer electronics.
 - ► Imaging machines cover almost the entire EM spectrum

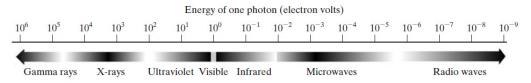
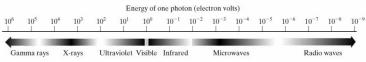
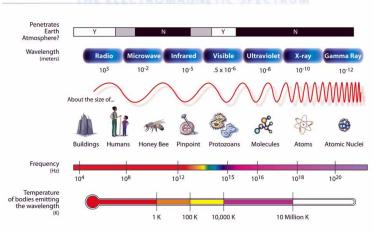
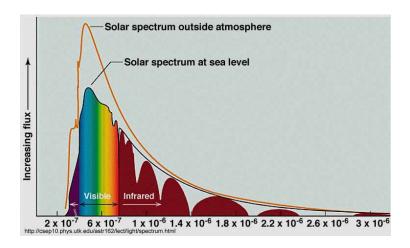


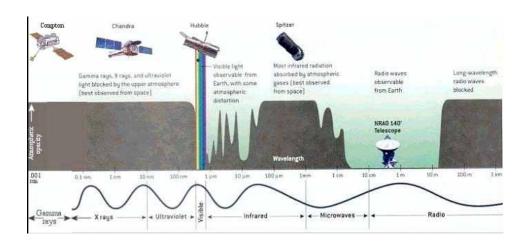
FIGURE 1.5 The electromagnetic spectrum arranged according to energy per photon.



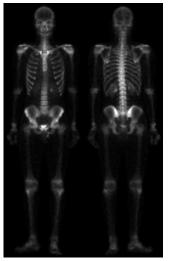
THE ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM

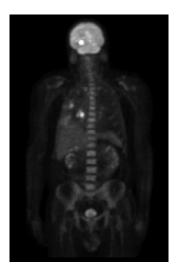






Applications



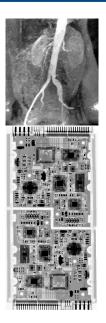


► Gamma-Ray imaging: radioactive isotope in patient emits gamma rays as it decays.

X-ray Imaging

- X-rays.
- ► Angiogram.
- CAT scans (Housefield and Cormmack 1979 - Nobel prize in medicine).
- ► Industrial inspection.
- Astronomy.



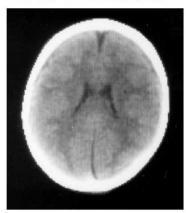




2^{nd} and 3^{rd} CT Generations

1972: 5 Minutes 1976: 2 Seconds



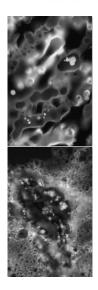


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Imaging in the ultraviolet band

- ► Fluorescent microscopy
- UV photon collides with electron in fluorescent atom, elevates electron to a higher energy electron then emits light at lower energy when it relaxes.



Color-coded surgery:

https://www.ted.comtalksquyen_nguyen_color_coded_surgery?languageen

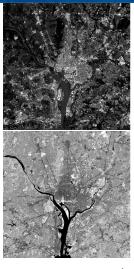
Imaging in the visible and infrared band

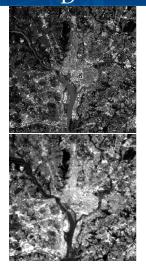
Microscopy at various scales

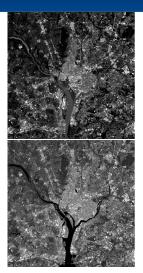










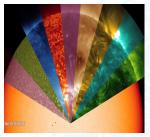


Remote sensing and spectral imaging

- ► Same scene at various bands.
- ► Visible through IR (450nm 2000nm).

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
5	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

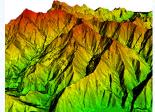
Multimodal Imaging



Spectral Imaging



Hyperspectral Imaging

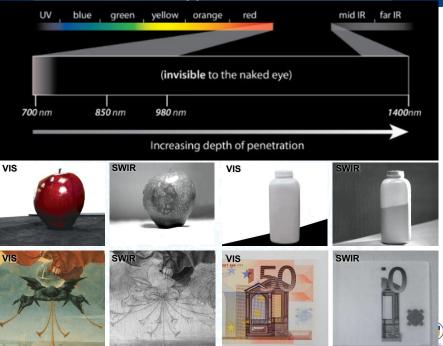




Depth Maps



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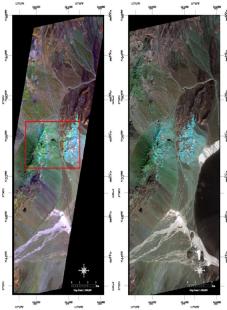
Cuprite, Nevada, US





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			Hyperion	WorldView-3
	Number of bands	VNIR	50 (70)	8
		SWIR	117 (172)	8
	GSD (m)	VNIR	30	1.24
		SWIR	30	7.5 (3.7)
	Swath width (km)		7.7	13.1

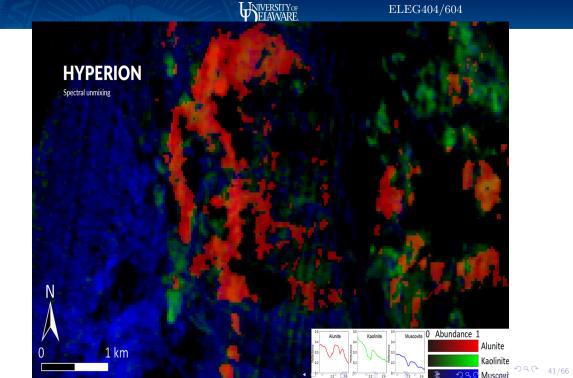


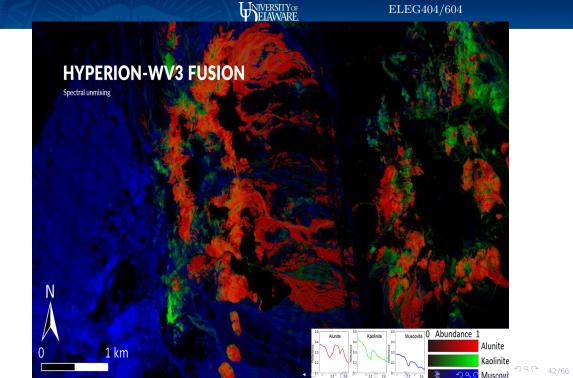
Color composite of Hyperion $RGB = (2.20, 1.60, 0.57) \mu m$ 2011-09-19

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Color composite of WV3-SWIR $RGB = (2.20, 1.57, 1.21) \mu m$ 2014-09-19 © DigitalGlobe











Medical Spectral Imaging





















Visible band imaging

▶ Applications in biometrics, authentication and surveillance.



Magnetic Resonance Imaging



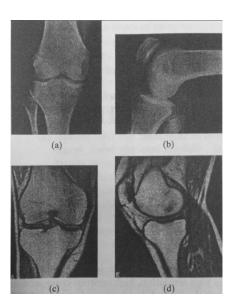




X-ray CT vs MRI

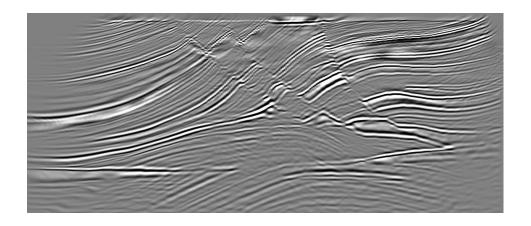
Comparison of projection radioagraphy and MRI of the knee:

- ► a Anterior projection radiograph
- b Lateral projection radiograph
- c Coronal MRI
- ► d Sagittal MRI





Geological Seismic Exploration (100 Hz)

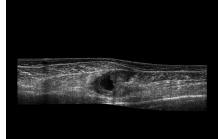




Ultrasound imaging (1-5Mhz)



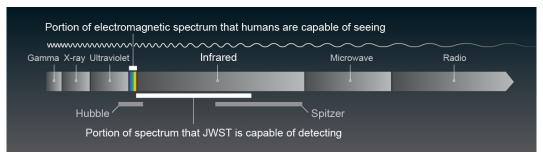




James Webb Space Telescope Imaging



- 10 Billion camera
- Can view objects too old in distance
- Can observe the first stars, the formation of the first galaxies, and atmospheric characterization of potentially habitable planets.



The JWST was designed to capture light with frequencies in the infrared range.



JWST - Six Data Collection Components



It allows combining data from multiple telescopes for higher resolution than a single lens can achieve



A grid of small doors can open or close to measure spectra from up to 100 points in a single frame



Coronagraphs are opaque circles that block bright starlight to let the weaker signals through



JWST - Six Data Collection Components



Two cameras capture light in the near-infrared range and one works in the mid-infrared

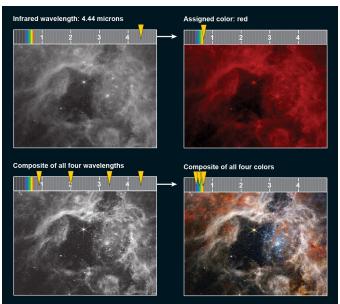


A combined camera and spectrograph captures an image, along with spectra for each pixel



prisms separate incoming light into spectra to reveal the intensity of individual wavelengths

JWST - Image Composite



Al Computer Rendering



Al Computer Rendering

Neural gigapixel images



Gigapixel Image Generation





Learns a signed distance function in 3D space whose zero level-set represents a 2D surface

NeRF



Reconstruct a volumetric radiance-anddensity field from 2D Images

Neural volume

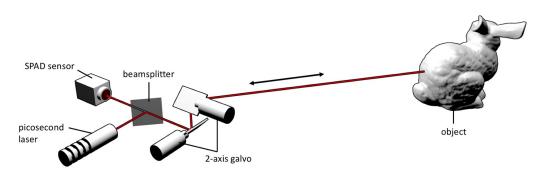


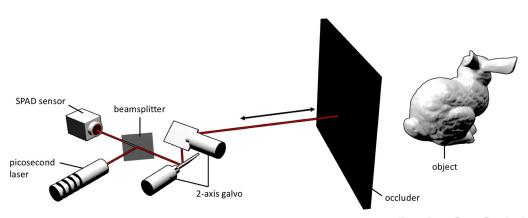
Learns a denoised radiance and density field directly from a volumetric path tracer

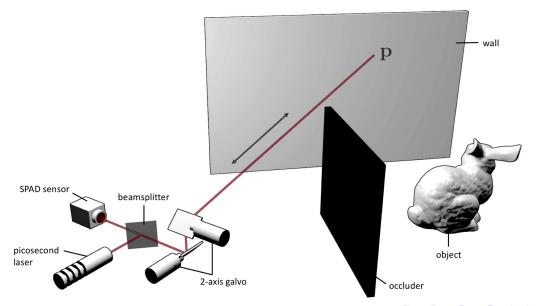
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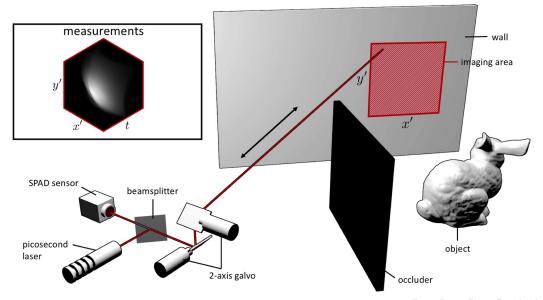


The quality of the scene becomes more precise as training proceeds. Video

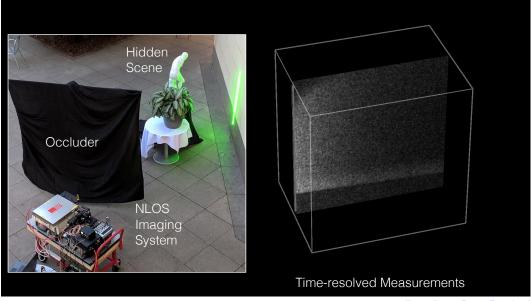




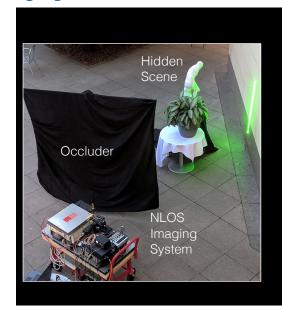


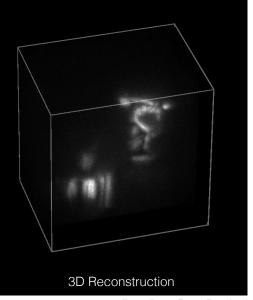












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