## INTRODUCTION



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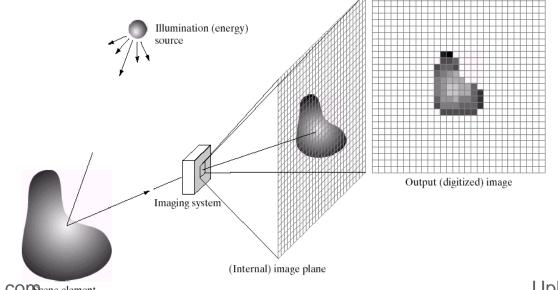
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#### Outline

- What is a digital image?
- What is digital image processing?
- State of the art examples of digital image processing
- Key stages in digital image processing
- Elements of Visual Perception
- Light and the Electromagnetic Spectrum
- Image Sensing and Acquisition
- Image Sampling and Quantization
- Image Interpolation
- Math Preliminary Related to Image Processing

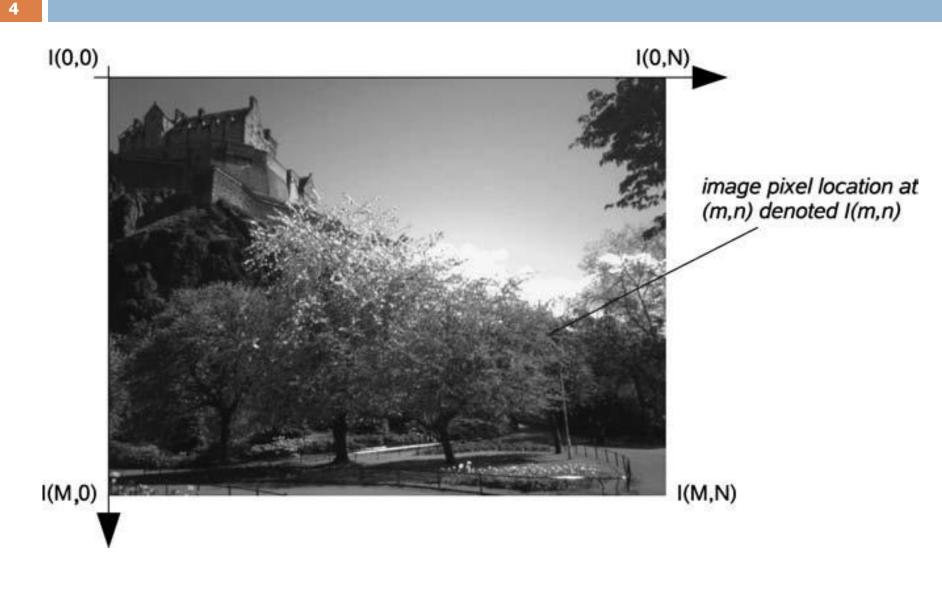
### What is a Digital Image?

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- A digital image is a representation of a two- dimensional image as a finite set of digital values, called picture elements or pixels.
  - An image can be define as a two-dimensional function f(x,y) with x and y being the spatial coordinates and f is the amplitude
  - A digital image is the representation of an image using finite and discrete values for x,y, and f
  - These values are called picture elements or pixels



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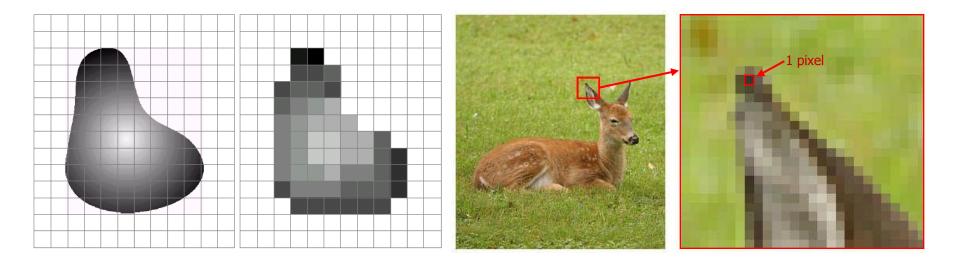
### What is a Digital Image?



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### What is a Digital Image? (cont...)

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- Pixel values typically represent gray levels, colors, heights, opacities etc
- Remember digitization implies that a digital image is an approximation of a real scene



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### What is a Digital Image? (cont...)

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Common image formats include:

- 1 sample per point (Grayscale)
- 3 samples per point (Red, Green, and Blue)
- 4 samples per point (Red, Green, Blue, and "Alpha", a.k.a. Opacity)
- 5 samples per point (add "Depth")



#### □For most of this course we will focus on grey-scale images

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### Image formats

Acronym	Name	Properties
GIF	Graphics interchange format	Limited to only 256 colours (8 bit); lossless compression
JPEG	Joint Photographic Experts Group	In most common use today; lossy compression; lossless variants exist
BMP	Bit map picture	Basic image format; limited (generally) lossless compression; lossy variants exist
PNG	Portable network graphics	New lossless compression format; designed to replace GIF
TIF/TIFF	Tagged image (file) format	Highly flexible, detailed and adaptable format; compressed/uncompressed variants exist

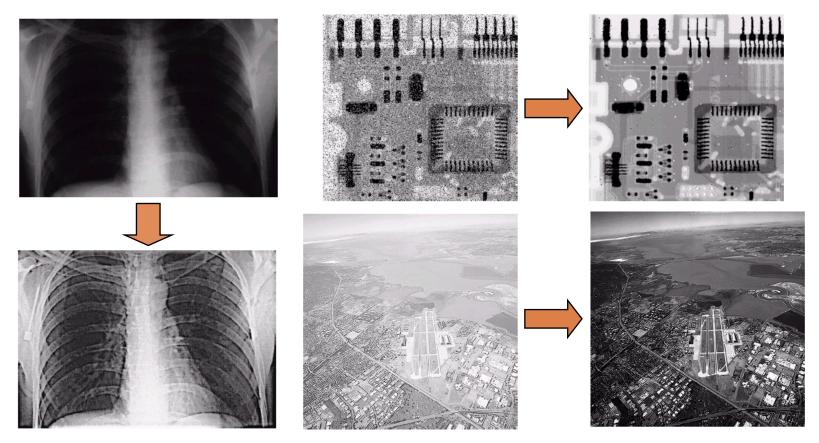
### What is Digital Image Processing?

Digital image processing focuses on two major tasks

- Improvement of pictorial information for human interpretation
- Processing of image data for storage, transmission and representation for autonomous machine perception
- Some argument about where image processing ends and fields such as image analysis and computer vision start

### **Examples: Image Enhancement**

One of the most common uses of DIP techniques: improve quality, remove noise etc



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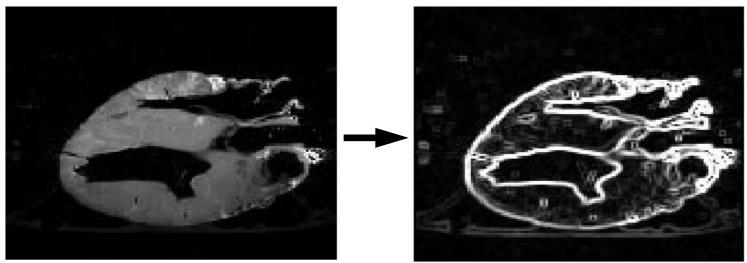
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### **Examples: Medicine**

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Take slice from MRI scan of canine heart, and find boundaries between types of tissue

- Image with gray levels representing tissue density
- Use a suitable filter to highlight edges



Original MRI Image of a Dog Heart

Edge Detection Image

#### **Examples: OCR**

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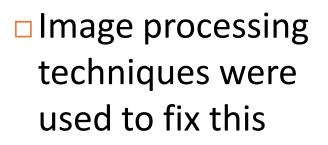
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### **Examples: The Hubble Telescope**

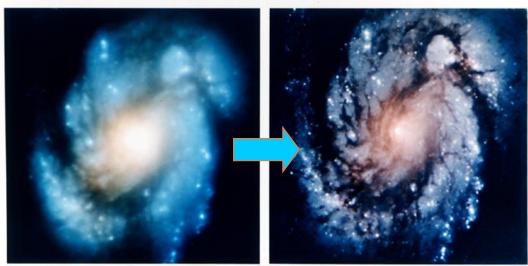
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Launched in 1990 the Hubble telescope can take images of very distant objects

However, an incorrect mirror made many of Hubble's images useless







Wide Field Planetary Camera 1

### **Examples:** Artistic Effects

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 Artistic effects are used to make images
 more visually
 appealing, to add
 special effects and to
 make composite
 images







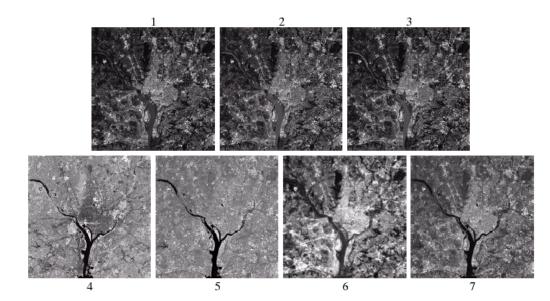


### **Examples: GIS**

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#### Geographic Information Systems

- Digital image processing techniques are used extensively to manipulate satellite imagery
- Terrain classification
- Meteorology





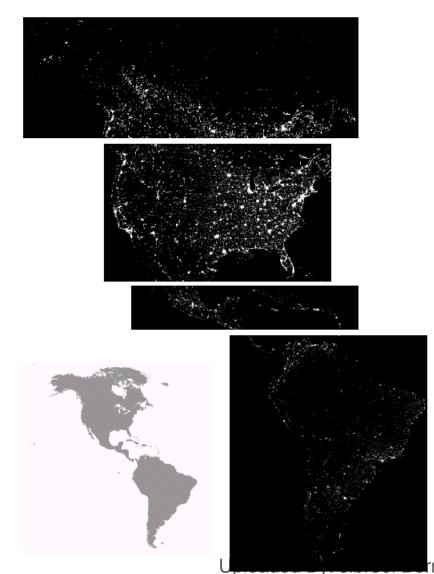
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### Examples: GIS (cont...)

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### Night-Time Lights of the World data set

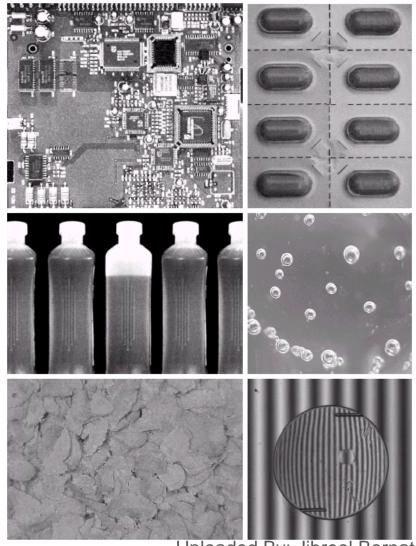
- Global inventory of human settlement
- Not hard to imagine the kind of analysis that might be done using this data



### **Examples: Industrial Inspection**

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- Human operators are expensive, slow and unreliable
- Make machines do the job instead
- Industrial vision systems are used in all kinds of industries
- □Can we trust them?



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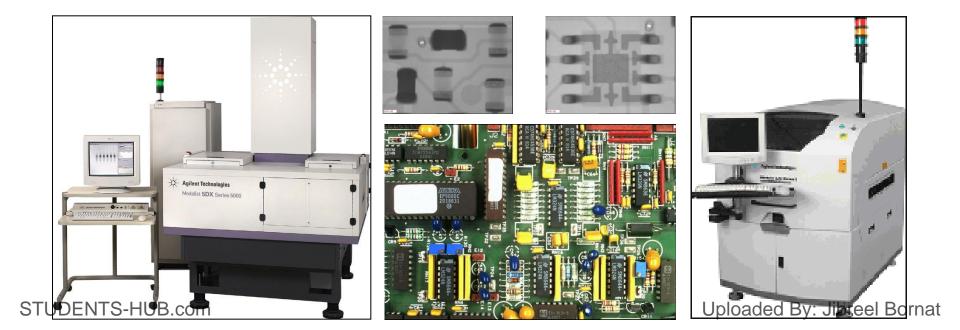
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### **Examples: PCB Inspection**

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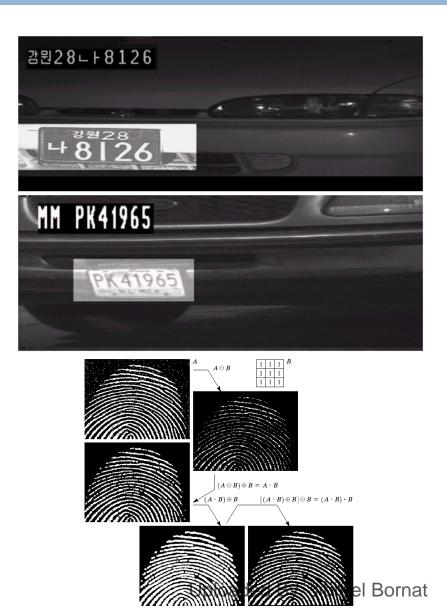
#### Printed Circuit Board (PCB) inspection

- Machine inspection is used to determine that all components are present and that all solder joints are acceptable
- Both conventional imaging and x-ray imaging are used



## **Examples: Law Enforcement**

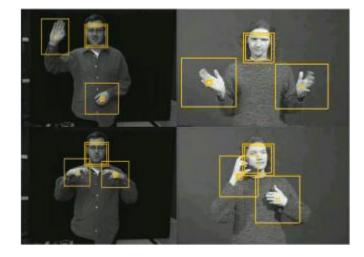
- Image processing techniques are used extensively by law enforcers
  - Number plate recognition for speed cameras/automated toll systems
  - Fingerprint recognition
  - Enhancement of CCTV images



### **Examples: HCI**

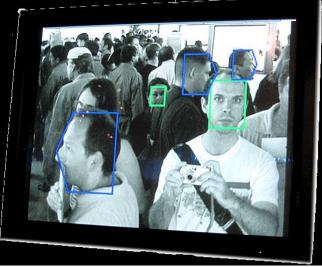
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- Try to make human computer interfaces more natural
  - Face recognition
  - Gesture recognition
- Does anyone remember the user interface from "Minority Report"?



These tasks can be extrem difficult





### **Relationship with other Fields**

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### **Computer Vision**

Object detection, recognition, shape analysis, tracking Use of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning

#### Image Analysis

Segmentation, image registration, matching

#### Low-level

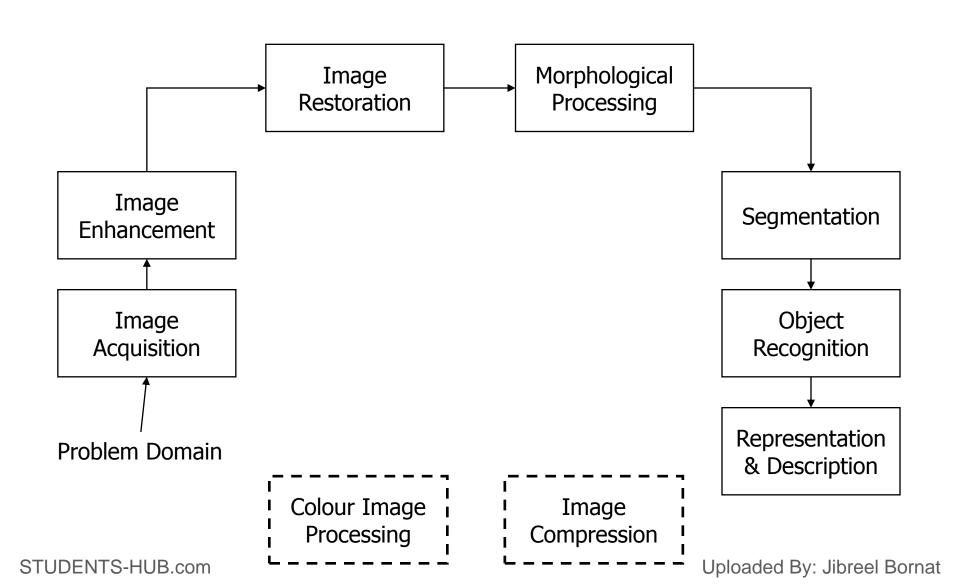
High-level

#### Image Processing

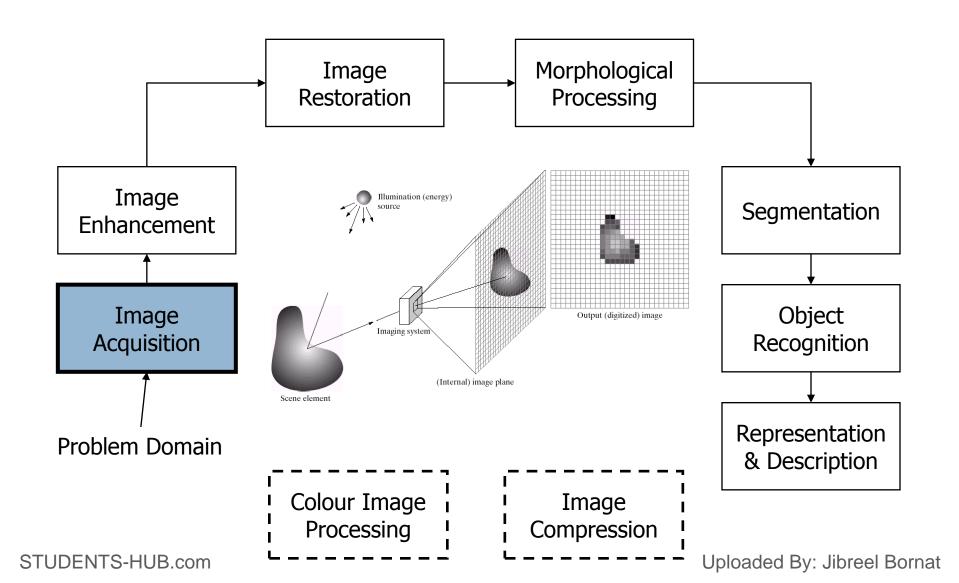
Image enhancement, noise removal, restoration, feature detection, compression

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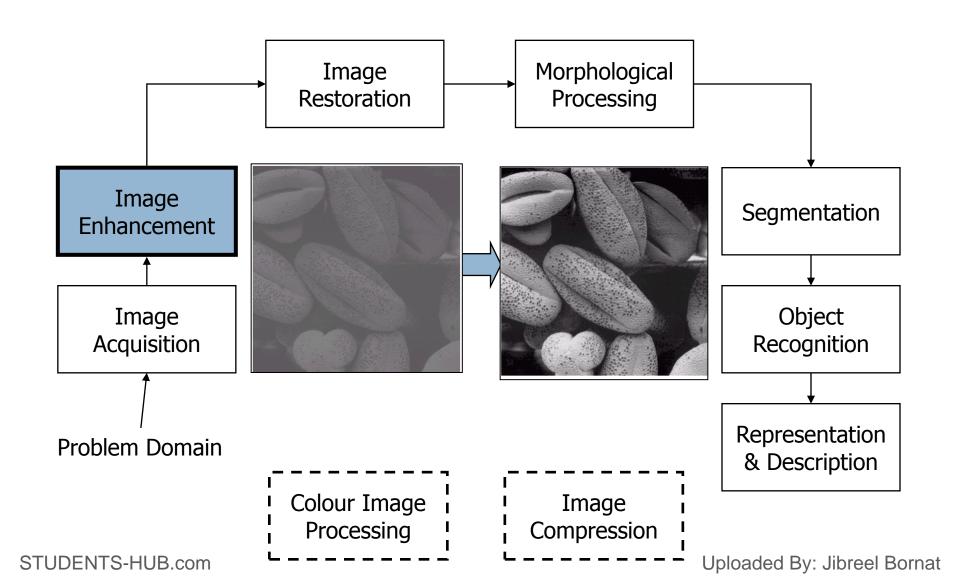
## Key Stages in Digital Image Processing



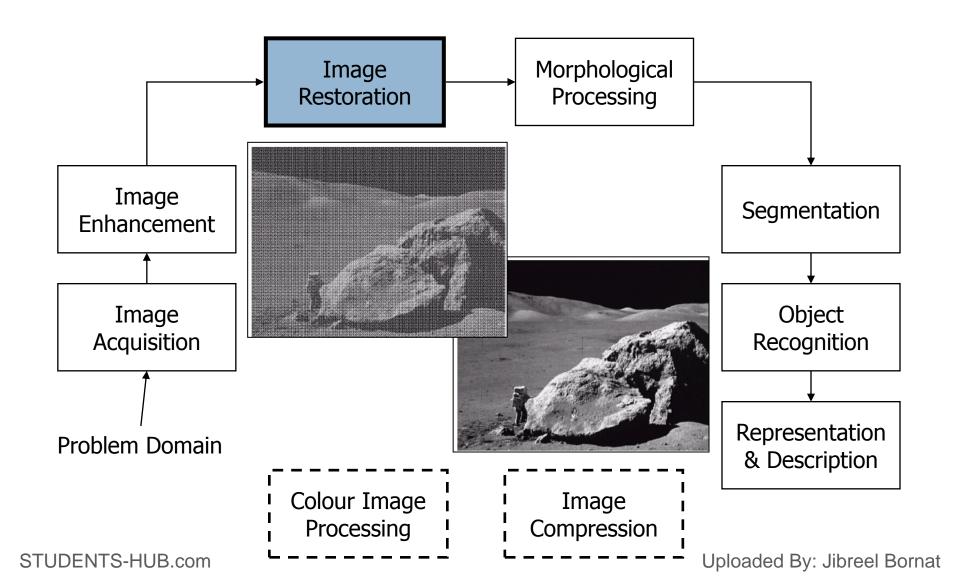
## Key Stages in Digital Image Processing: Image Aquisition



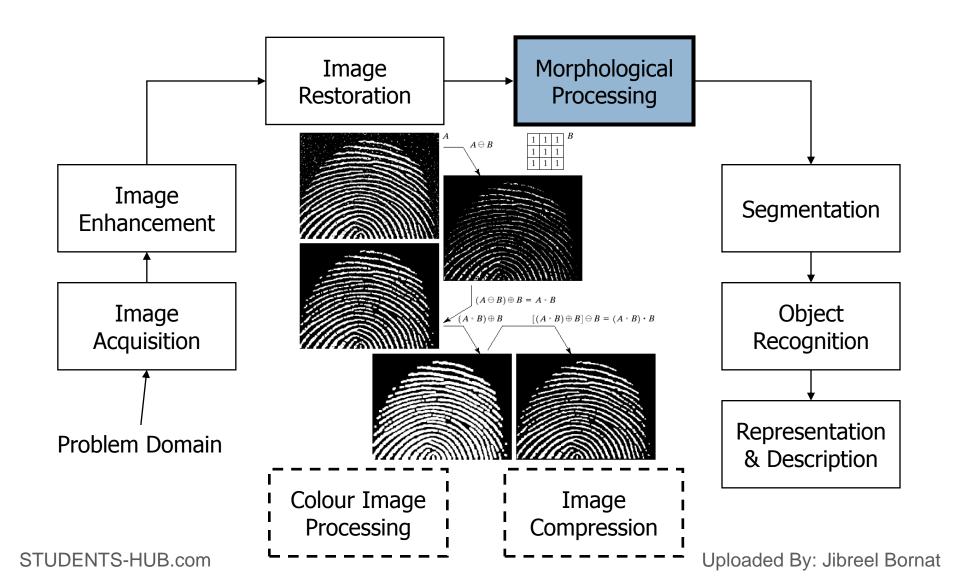
## Key Stages in Digital Image Processing: Image Enhancement



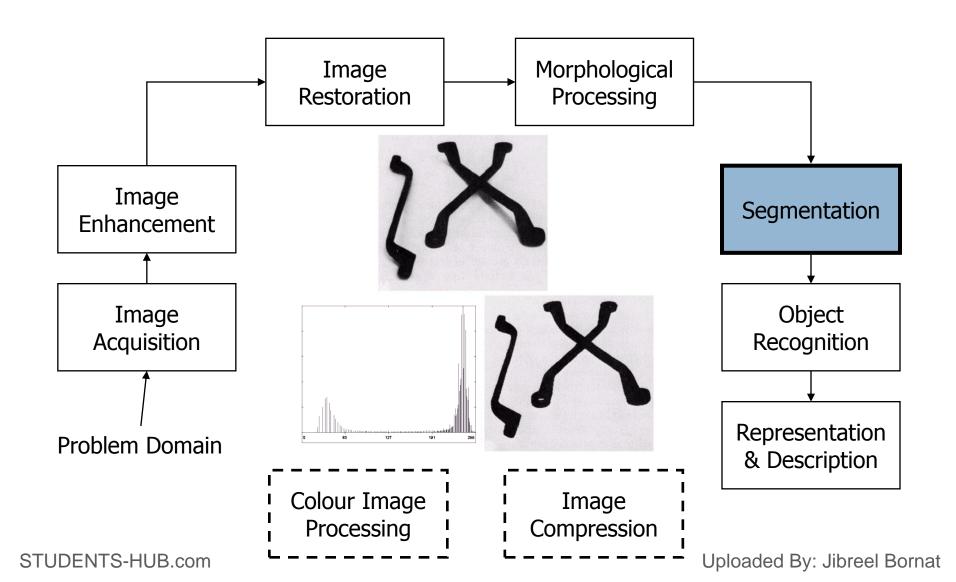
## Key Stages in Digital Image Processing: Image Restoration



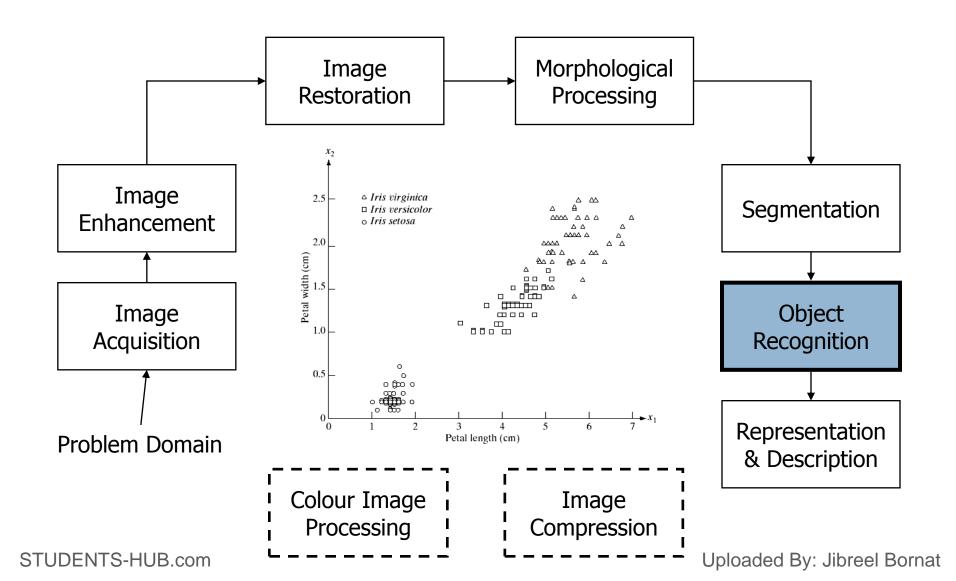
## Key Stages in Digital Image Processing: Morphological Processing



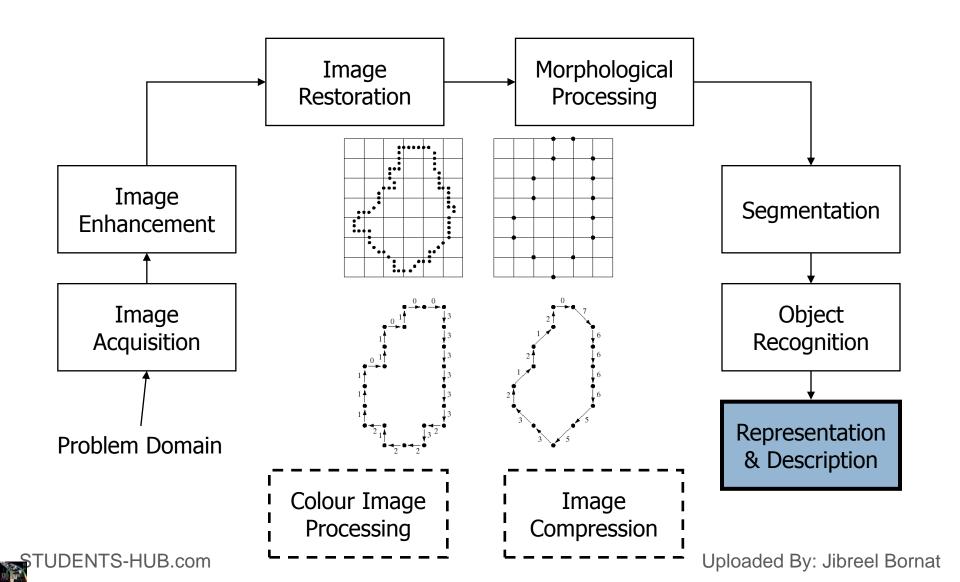
## Key Stages in Digital Image Processing: Segmentation



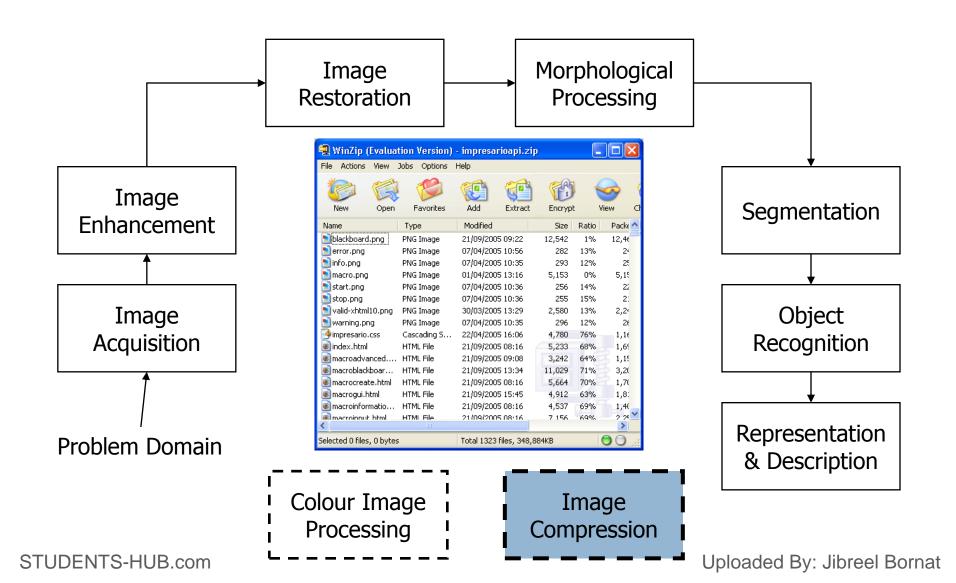
## Key Stages in Digital Image Processing: Object Recognition



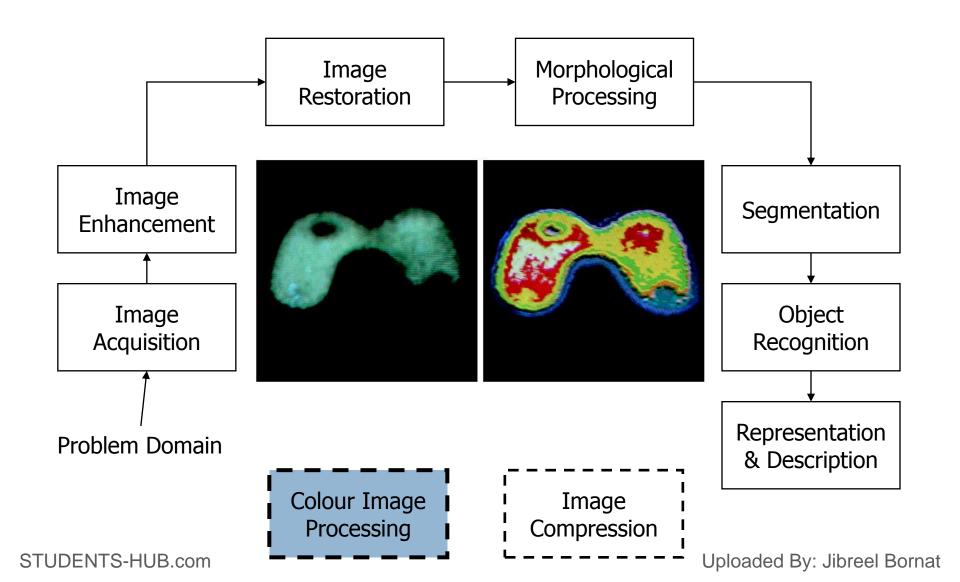
## Key Stages in Digital Image Processing: Representation & Description



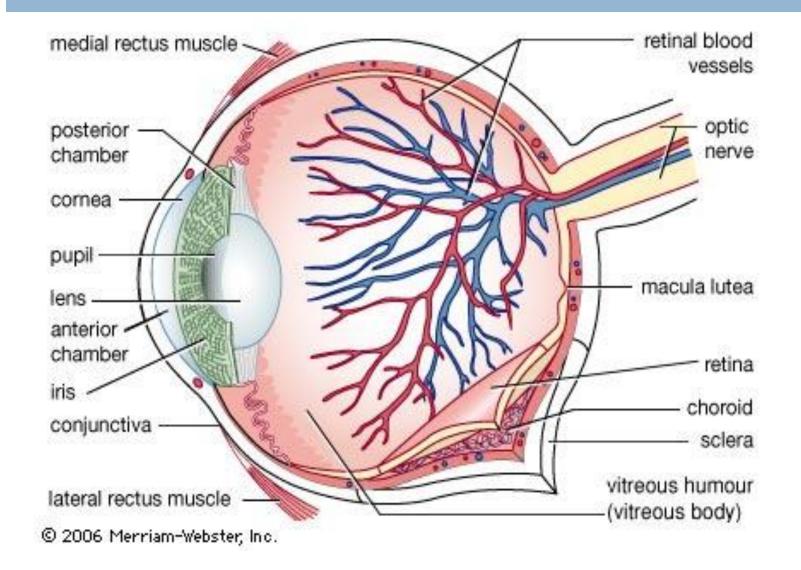
## Key Stages in Digital Image Processing: Image Compression



## Key Stages in Digital Image Processing: Colour Image Processing







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#### Cornea

The cornea is a strong clear bulge located at the front of the eye (where it replaces the sclera - that forms the outside surface of the rest of the eye). The front surface of the adult cornea has a radius of approximately 8mm. The cornea contributes to the image-forming process by refracting light entering the eye.

#### Fovea

The fovea is a small depression (approx. 1.5 mm in diameter) in the retina. This is the part of the retina in which high-resolution vision of fine detail is possible.

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The iris is a diaphragm of variable size whose function is to adjust the size of the pupil to regulate the amount of light admitted into the eye. The iris is the coloured part of the eye (illustrated in blue above but in nature may be any of many shades of blue, green, brown, hazel, or grey).

#### Lens

The lens of the eye is a flexible unit that consists of layers of tissue enclosed in a tough capsule. It is suspended from the ciliary muscles by the zonule fibers.

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#### Retina

The retina may be described as the "screen" on which an image is formed by light that has passed into the eye via the cornea, aqueous humour, pupil, lens, then the hyaloid and finally the vitreous humour before reaching the retina. The retina contains photosensitive elements (called <u>rods</u> and <u>cones</u>) that convert the light they detect into nerve impulses that are then sent onto the brain along the optic nerve.

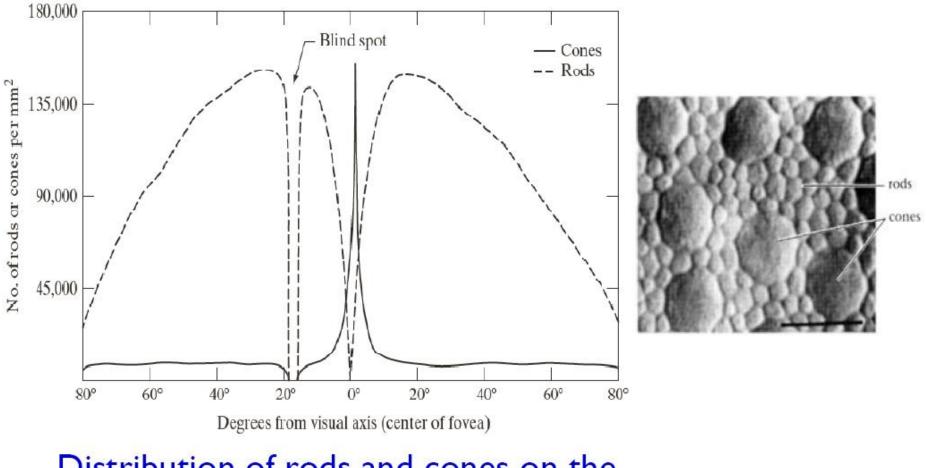
#### Cones:

- 6-7 million primarily at fovea
- Responsible for fine details as each cone has its own nerve
- Highly sensitive to color
- Photopic or bright-light vision

#### Rods

- 75 to 125 million all over the retinal surface
- Several rods share the same nerve
- Not involved in color vision and sensitive to low illumination
- Scotopic or dim-light vision

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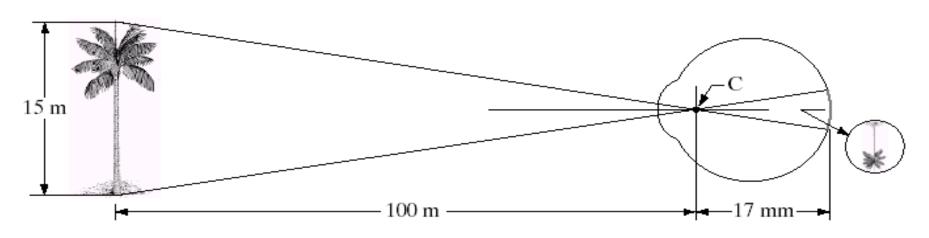


# Distribution of rods and cones on the retina

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## Image Formation in the Eye



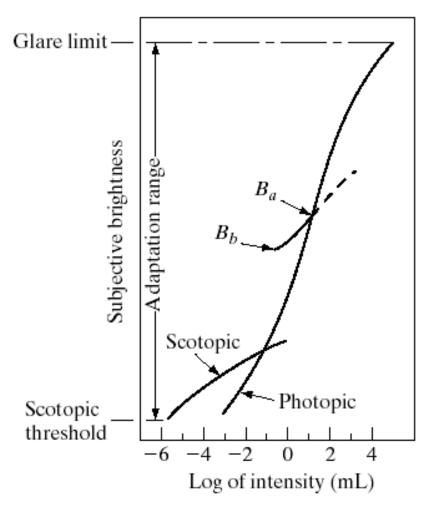


- The shape of the lens changes based on the object distance
  - Close objects; thickened with max refraction
  - Far objects; flattened with min refraction
- Size of object image on the retina
  - Focal length 14 17 mm

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## **Brightness Adaptation**

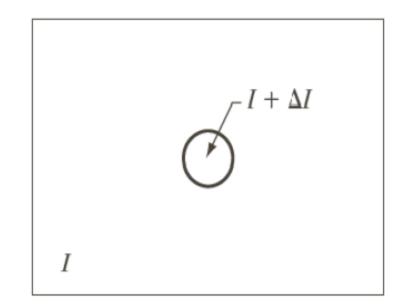
- The human eye can adapt to a large range of light intensity levels
- However, the eye can not operate simultaneously over this range
- Instead, based on the current lighting conditions, it adapts to a smaller range



# **Brightness Discrimination**

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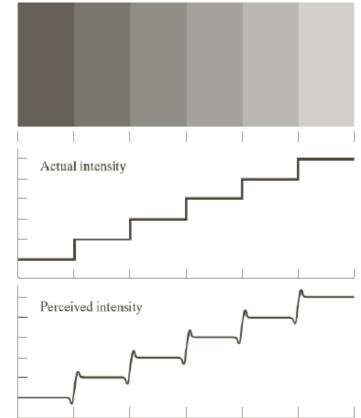
- An experiment to measure the eye capability in discriminating between different levels of brightness
- $\square$  Webber Ratio =  $\Delta Ic / I$
- Lower values indicates high discrimination



### **Brightness Discrimination**



### Simultaneous Contrast Perceived brightness doesn't depend on its intensity only



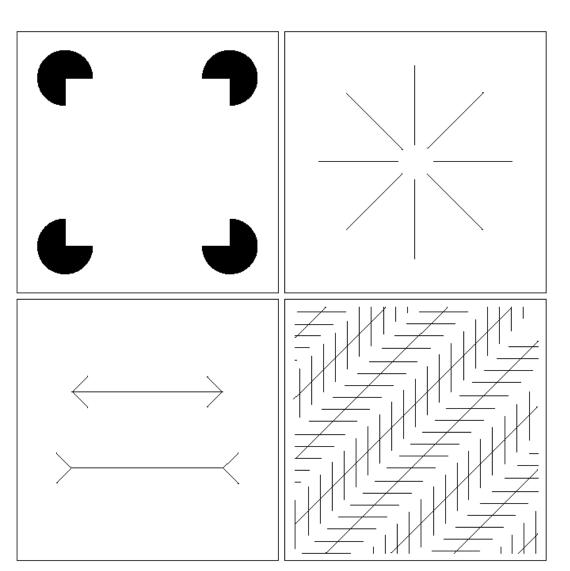
Mach bands Visual system to overshoot or undershoot around the borders

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# **Optical Illusions**

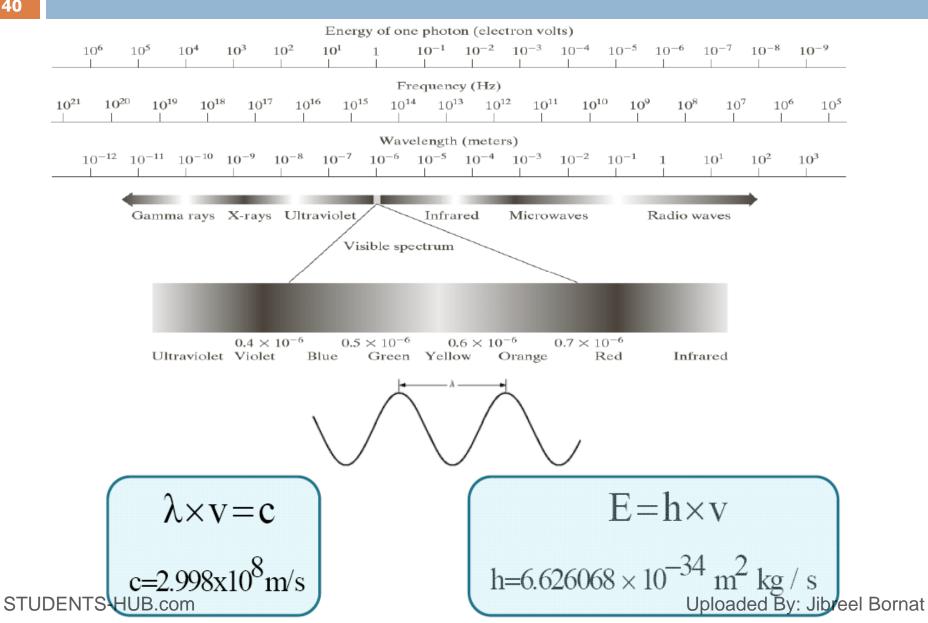
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 The eye fills nonexistent information or wrongly perceives geometrical properties



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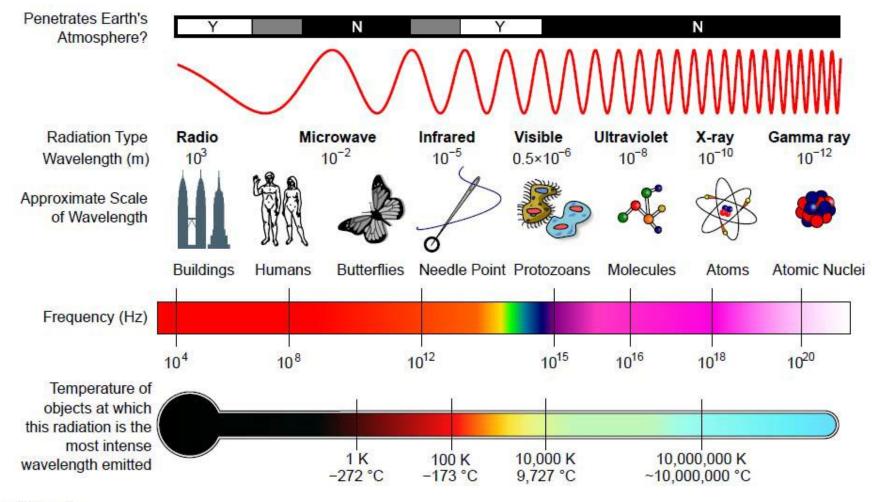
# Light and Electromagnetic Spectrum



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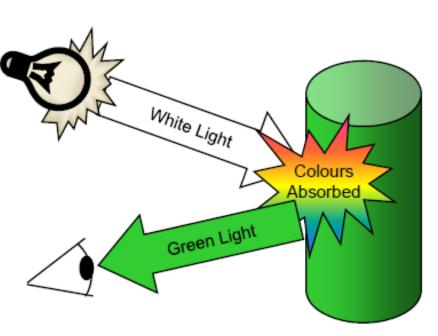
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### **Reflected Light**

 The colours humans perceive are determined by nature of light reflected from an object

 For example, if white light (contains all wavelengths) is shone onto green object it absorbs most wavelengths absorbed except green wavelength (color)



# Images from Different EM Radiation

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- Radar imaging (radio waves)
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) (Radio waves)
- Microwave imaging
- Infrared imaging
- Photographs
- Ultraviolet imaging telescopes
- X-rays and Computed tomography
- Positron emission tomography (gamma rays)
- Ultrasound (not EM waves)

# Light and Electromagnetic Spectrum

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- Three basic quantities to describe chromatic light source
  - Radiance: total amount of energy that flows from the source
  - Luminance: the amount of energy perceived by an observer/sensor
  - Brightness: subjective property that is hard to measure. It gives the achromatic notion of intensity.
- Achromatic light / monochromatic
  - Light the is void of color
  - Gray level is often the term used to describe monochromatic intensity

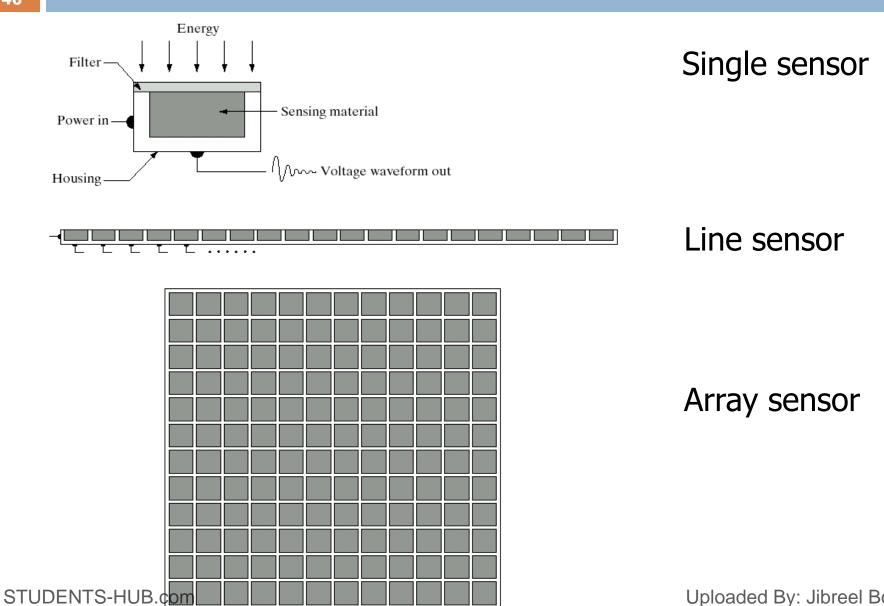
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# Image Sensing and Acquisition

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- Sensing and acquisition depend on the problem domain
- □ Generally, we need
  - Source for illumination(gamma, x-ray, ultrasound .....)
  - Device(s) to collect the energy reflected-from/transmittedthrough the objects in the scene (stars, patients, natural scenes)
- Radiance is the total energy that flows from a light source
- Luminance is the level of energy and observer perceives from a light source
- Fundamental limit:
  - To see an object the electromagnetic wavelength must be no bigger than the object
  - To image molecules far ultraviolet or soft x-ray waves must be used

# **Image Sensing and Acquisition**

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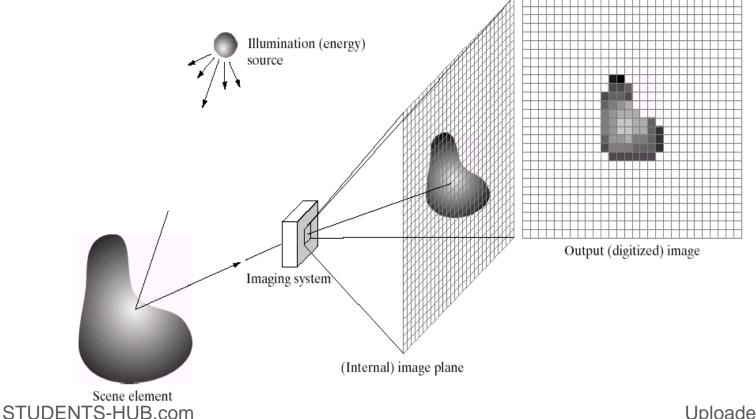


# Image Sensing and Acquisition

Acquisition with Sensor Arrays

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- Predominant arrangement found in many applications
- Most expensive and usually no motion is required



# Simple Image Formation Model

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- An image can represented as a two-dimensional function f(x,y)
- The amplitude of f(x,y) is a positive scalar quantity whose physical meaning depends on the source
- An image is proportional to the radiated energy

f(x,y) = i(x,y)r(x,y)

■ illumination bound: 0<i(x,y)<∞</p>

Reflectivity bound: 0<r(x,y)<1</p>

- Transmission cases (x-ray): transmissivity rather than reflectivity
- Frequency dependent functions

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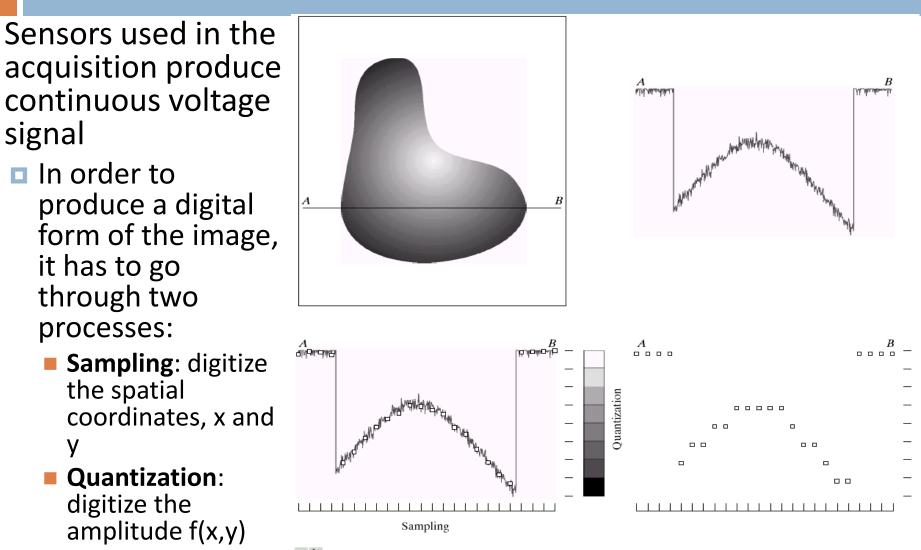
# A Simple Image Formation Model

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For monochrome images we deal with intensity or gray levels (L)

> L = f(x,y)Lmin  $\leq L \leq Lmax$

- The only requirement on Lmin is to be positive and on Lmax to be finite
- Typical indoor values for Lmin and Lmax are 10 lm/m2 and 1000 lm/m2
- The interval [Lmin,Lmax] is called the gray scale and is
- usually shifted to [0,L-1] where 0 is considered black and L-1 is considered white STUDENTS-HUB.com



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FIGURE 2.16 Generating a digital image. (a) Continuous image. (b) A scan line from A to B in the continuous image, used to illustrate the concepts of sampling and quantization. (c) Sampling and econByticit bracking is a second to the second second

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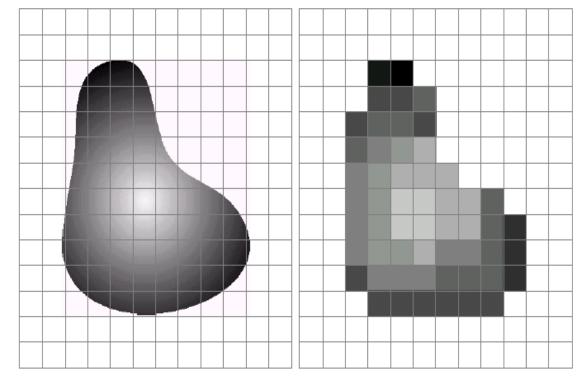
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- Resolution (how much you can see the detail of the image) depends on sampling and gray levels.
- The bigger the sampling rate (n) and the gray scale (g), the better the approximation of the digitized image from the original.
- The more the quantization scale becomes, the bigger the size of the digitized image.
- The number of gray levels typically is an integer power of 2

 $L = 2^k$ 

 Number of bits required to store a digitized image

**b** = **M** x **N** x k STUDENTS-HUB.com



#### a b

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

# Digital Image Representation

- Once the image is digitized, it can be represented as an array with M rows and N columns with each element called a pixel
- The values stored in the array elements represent the image values at that location

$$f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} f(0, 0) & f(0, 1) & \cdots & f(0, N - 1) \\ f(1, 0) & f(1, 1) & \cdots & f(1, N - 1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ f(M - 1, 0) & f(M - 1, 1) & \cdots & f(M - 1, N - 1) \end{bmatrix}$$

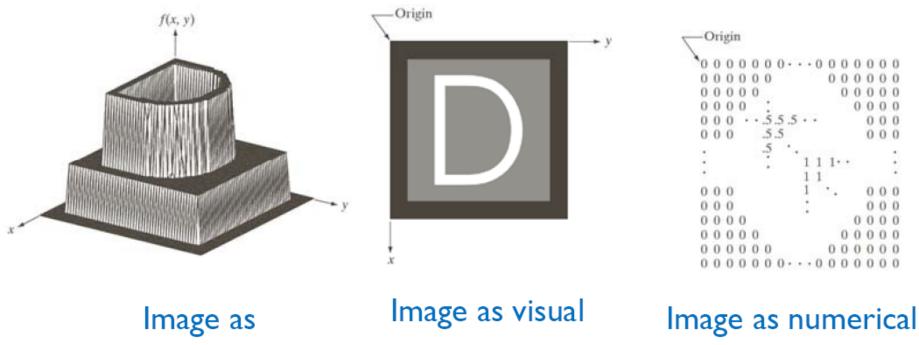
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### **Digital Image Representation**





3-D surface

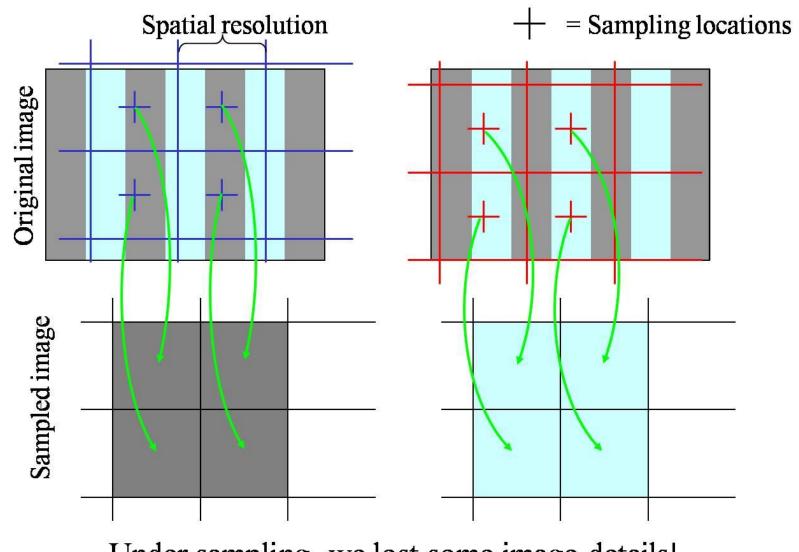
intensity array

array

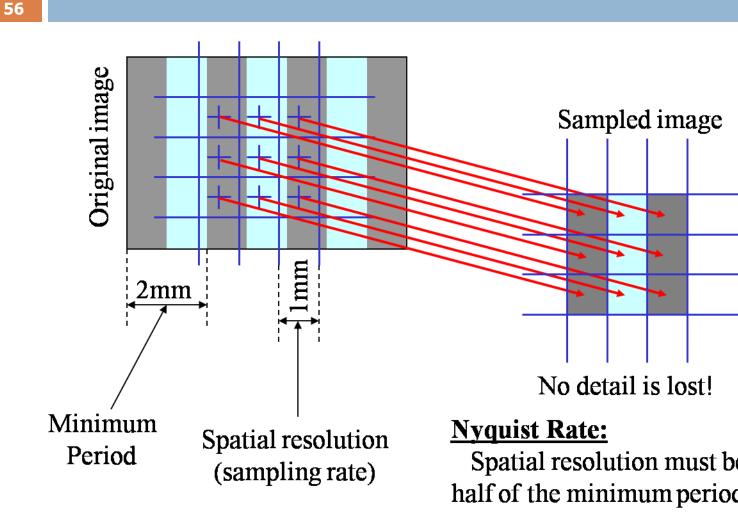
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- The number of samples taken depends on the sensor arrangement
  - In single sensor, the number of samples can be controlled by the step size
  - In sensor strips, the number samples along the strip is fixed while it can be controlled on the perpendicular direction
  - In sensor arrays, the number of samples is determined by sensor spacing
- Number of sample defines the spatial resolution of a digital image





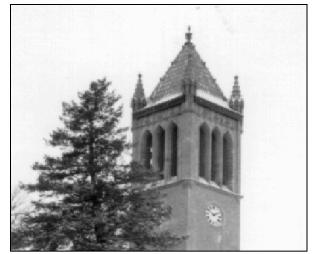
Under sampling, we lost some image details! STUDENTS-HUB.com Uploaded By: Jibreel Bornat



+ = Sampling locations

Spatial resolution must be less or equal half of the minimum period of the image or sampling frequency must be greater or Equal twice of the maximum frequency.

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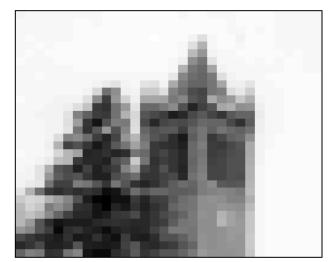
256x256 pixels



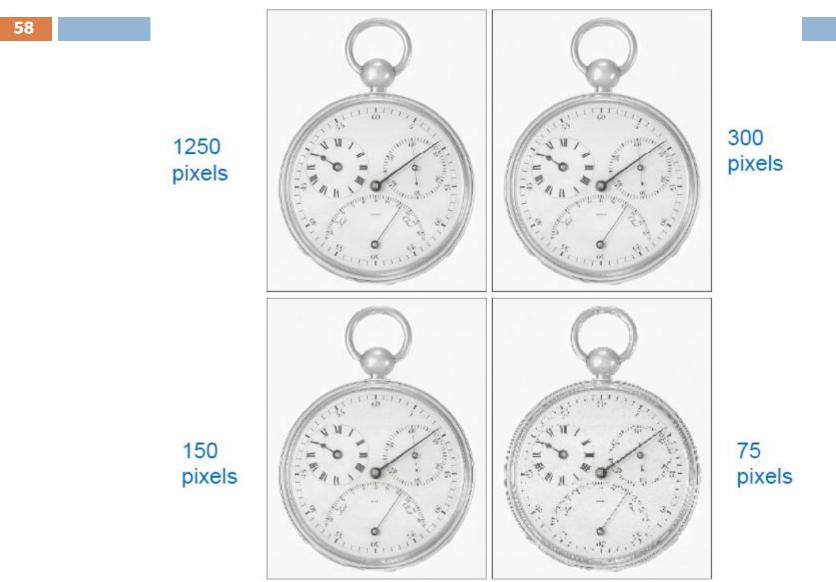
128x128 pixels



64x64 pixels



32x32 pixels <sub>UI</sub>



STUDENTS-HUB.c Effect of reducing spatial resolutioned By: Jibreel Bornat

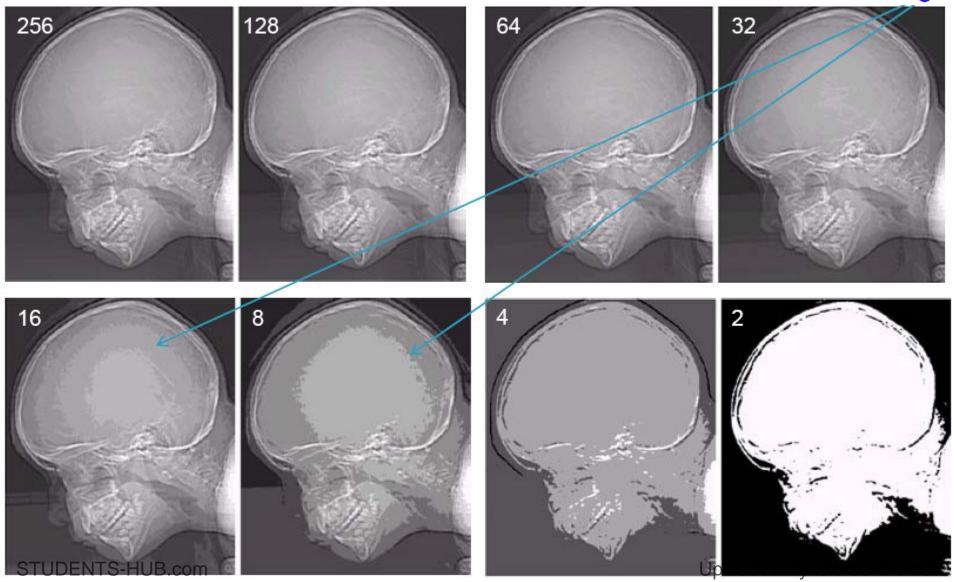
- The number of quantization levels depends on
  - A/D converter specs

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- Available storage space allocated for each sample (number of bits per sample)
- The number of available levels is an integer power of 2
- □ For gray level images
  - Assume that the levels are equally spaced and spans the range [0,L-1]
  - Such range is called the dynamic range
  - Typically, each gray level sample uses 8 bits, thus the number of available gray levels is 256
  - The number of gray levels specify the gray level resolution

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False contouring



# **Intensity Level Resolution**

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 Intensity level resolution: number of intensity levels used to represent the image

- The more intensity levels used, the finer the level of detail discernable in an image
- Intensity level resolution usually given in terms of number of bits used to store each intensity level

Number of Bits	Number of Intensity Levels	Examples
1	2	0, 1
2	4	00, 01, 10, 11
4	16	0000, 0101, 1111
8	256	00110011, 01010101
16	65,536	1010101010101010

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# How many Bits Per Image Element?

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Chan.	Bits/Pix.	Range	Use	
1	1	01 Binary image: document, illustration		
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	

#### Grayscale (Intensity Images):

#### Color Images:

Chan.	Bits/Pix.	Range	Use
3	24	24 $[0255]^3$ RGB, universal: photo, scan, print	
3	36	$[04095]^3$	RGB, high quality: photo, scan, print
3	42	$[016383]^3$	RGB, professional: photo, scan, print
4	32	$[0255]^4$	CMYK, digital prepress

#### Special Images:

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	Chan.	Bits/Pix.	Range	Use
	1	16	-3276832767	Whole numbers pos./neg., increased range
	1	32	$\pm 3.4\cdot 10^{38}$	Floating point: medicine, astronomy
	1	64	$\pm 1.8\cdot 10^{308}$	Floating point: internal processing
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### Image details and resolution



### To satisfy human mind

1. For images of the same size, the low detail image may need more pixel depth.

2. As an image size increase, fewer gray levels may be needed.

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# **Resolution: How Much Is Enough?**

- The big question with resolution is always how much is enough?
  - Depends on what is in the image (*details*) and what you would like to do with it (*applications*)
  - Key questions:
    - Does image look aesthetically pleasing?
    - Can you see what you need to see in image?

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### **Resolution: How Much Is Enough?**





### •Example: Picture on right okay for counting number of cars, but not for reading the number plate

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- It is the operation in which known data is used to estimate values at unknown locations
- An important tool used in zooming, shrinking, rotation, and geometric corrections
- Zooming: enlarge a MxN image to OxP image
  - Can be simply done by row/column replication
- Shrinking: reduce a MxN image to QxR image
  - Can be simply done by row/column deletion
- Interpolation methods
  - Nearest neighbor
  - Bilinear
  - Bicubic

### **Image Shrinking by Pixel Deletion**

Original



#### Image shrinked by 2x2



# Image shrinked by 4x4



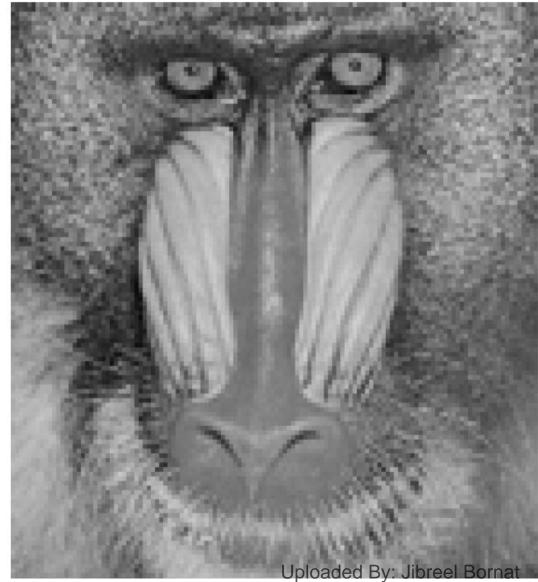
Image shrinked by 16x16



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# **Zooming by Pixel Replication**

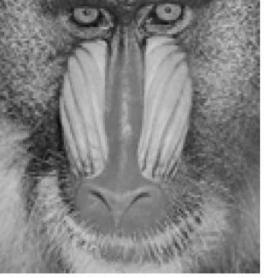
#### Image zoomed by factor of 4x4



#### Image zoomed by factor of 2x2





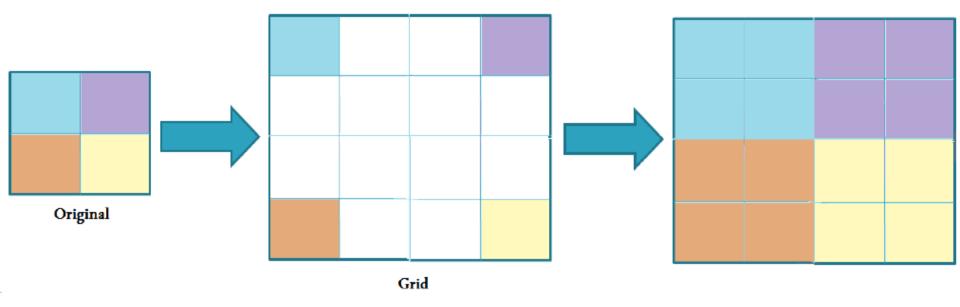


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### Zooming – Nearest Neighbor

- Generate a grid with the new size and assign available pixels to new locations
- For missing pixels, assign to it the value of the closest known pixel
- Fast but produces artifacts



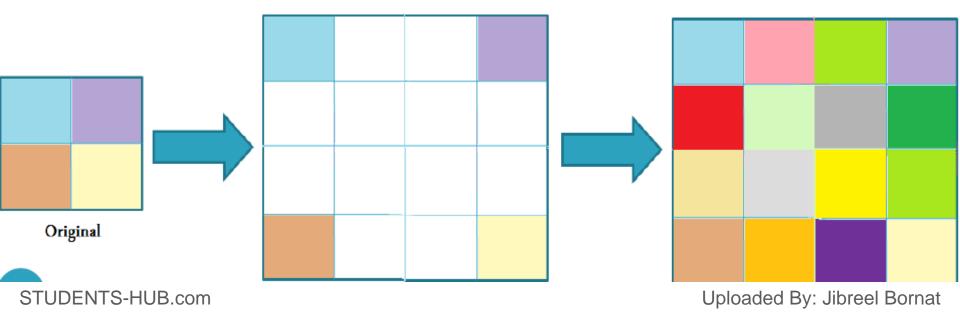
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### Zooming – Bilinear

- Generate a grid with the new size and assign available pixels to new locations
- For missing pixels, assign to it the value of by

$$v(x, y) = ax + by + cxy + d$$

The constants are determined by solving four equations for the closest known four neighbors



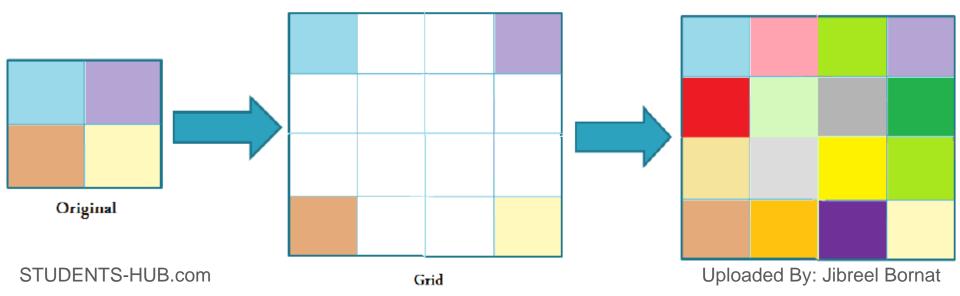
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### Zooming – Bicubic

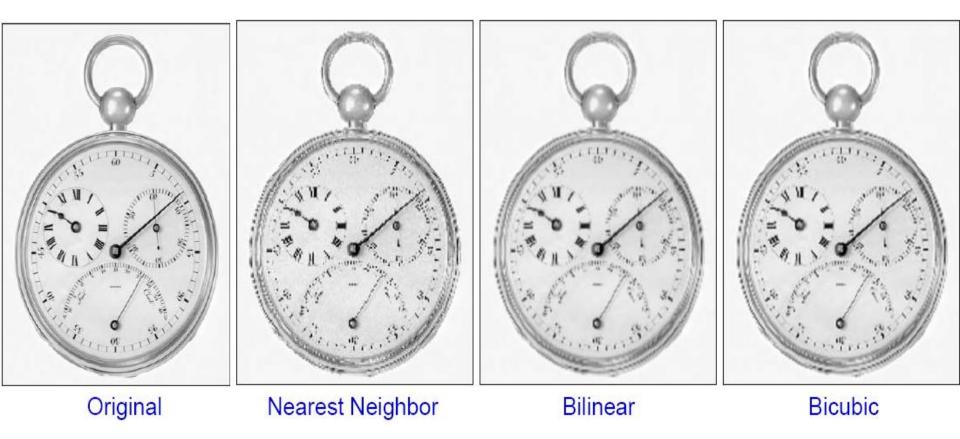
- Generate a grid with the new size and assign available pixels to new locations
- For missing pixels, assign to it the value of by

$$v(x, y) = \sum_{i=0}^{3} \sum_{j=0}^{3} a_{ij} x^{i} y^{j}$$

The constants are determined by solving sixteen equations for the closest sixteen neighbors



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### Arithmetic operations

 All operations are performed array-wise, i.e. element by element

Arrays (images) should be of the same size

$$s(x, y) = f(x, y) + g(x, y)$$
$$d(x, y) = f(x, y) - g(x, y)$$
$$p(x, y) = f(x, y) \times g(x, y)$$
$$v(x, y) = f(x, y) \div g(x, y)$$

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### An example of addition in IP

 Averaging multiple images captured for the same scene reduces uncorrelated zero-mean noise

### Image Model

$$g(x, y) = f(x, y) + \eta(x, y)$$

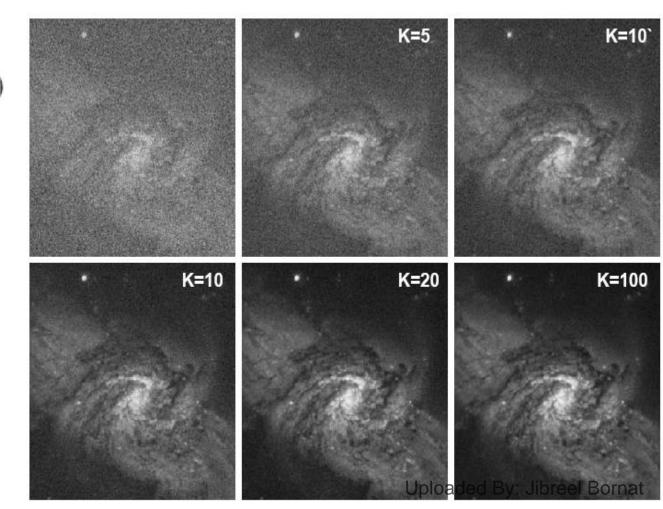
#### Averaging

$$\overline{g}(x, y) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^{K} g_i(x, y)$$

If K is too large

$$E\{\overline{g}(x, y)\} = f(x, y)$$
$$\sigma_{\overline{g}(x, y)}^{2} = \frac{1}{K}\sigma_{\eta(x, y)}^{2}$$





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### An example of subtraction in IP

# Usually used in the enhancement of the difference between images g(x, y) = f(x, y) - h(x, y)

Image before lodine injection f(x,y)

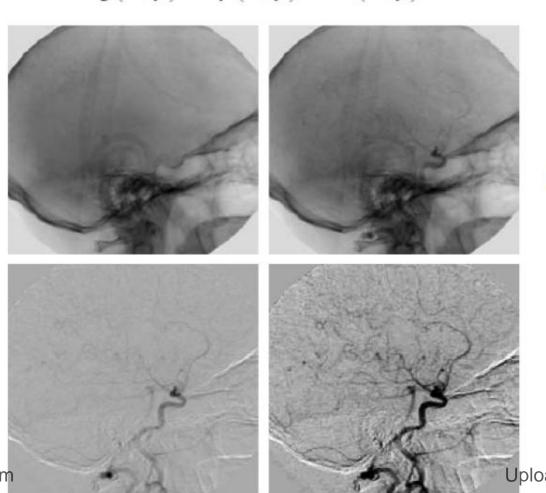


Image after Iodine injection (mask h(x,y))

Enhanced difference image

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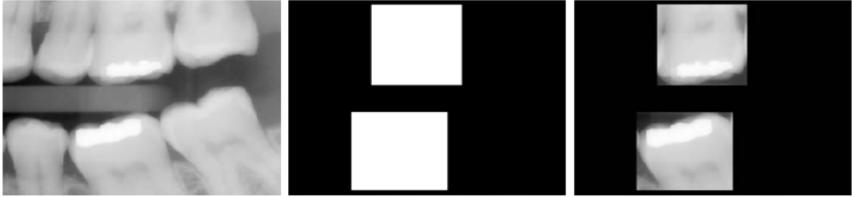
Difference image g(x,y)

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### • An example of multiplication in IP

• Region of interest (ROI) extraction by multiplying with a mask



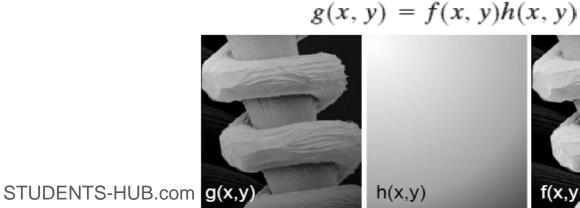
Whole image

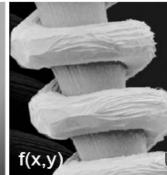


ROI

### • An example of division in IP

Shading correction





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### Spatial Operations

### Geometric transformations (Rubber-sheet)

- Modify the spatial relationships between pixels in an image
- Geometric transformation involves two basic operations
  - 1. Transform the image coordinates

$$(x, y) = T\{(v, w)\}$$

Example :  $(x, y) = T\{(v, w)\} = (v/2, w/2)$ 

Affine transformation

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \ y \ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v \ w \ 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} v \ w \ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t_{11} & t_{12} & 0 \\ t_{21} & t_{22} & 0 \\ t_{31} & t_{32} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Can be used for rotation, translation, scale, and sheer by choosing the proper values for T from the table in the following slide

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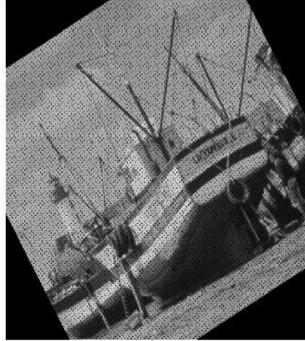
### Spatial Operations

Transformation Name	Affine Matrix, T	Coordinate Equations	Example
Identity	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{array}{l} x = v \\ y = w \end{array}$	y x
Scaling	$\begin{bmatrix} c_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{aligned} x &= c_x v\\ y &= c_y w \end{aligned}$	
Rotation	$\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta & 0 \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$x = v \cos \theta - w \sin \theta$ $y = v \cos \theta + w \sin \theta$	
Translation	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ t_x & t_y & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{aligned} x &= v + t_x \\ y &= w + t_y \end{aligned}$	
Shear (vertical)	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ s_v & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{aligned} x &= v + s_v w\\ y &= w \end{aligned}$	
Shear (horizontal)	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & s_h & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{aligned} x &= v\\ y &= s_h v + w \end{aligned}$	7
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# Spatial Operations Geometric transformations







Rotation by 30° using forward transformation



Rotation by 30° using inverse transformation with nearest neighbor interpolation

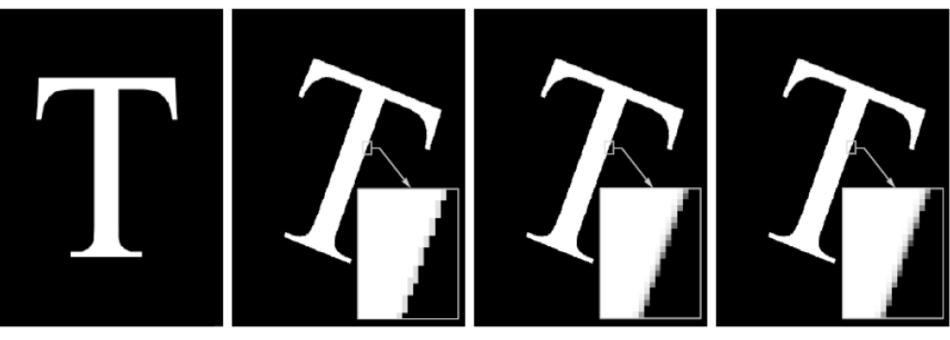
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### Spatial Operations

### Geometric transformations



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Rotation by 21o using inverse mapping and nearest neighbor Rotation by 21o using inverse mapping and bilinear interpolation Rotation by 21o using inverse mapping and bicubic Uploaded By: libreal Bornat

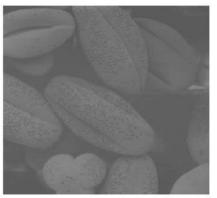
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### Statistical Measures

• Mean intensity gives the general sense of brightness

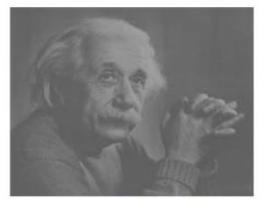




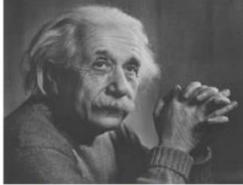


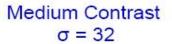
Dark µ =102

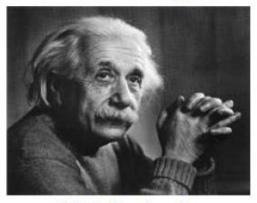
Variance/standard deviation can be used to measure image contrast



STUDENTS-HUB Contrast







High Contrast  $\sigma = 49$  By: Jibreel Bornat

### Images in Matlab

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- Why use Matlab ?
  - Quick-to-learn
  - Easy-to-use
  - Integrated environment
  - Platform independent
  - Scientific standard
  - Rapid Development

### Images in Matlab

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See the attached documents on Ritaj

- matlab\_primer\_part1
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