CS 194/294-26: Intro to Computer Vision and Computational Photography



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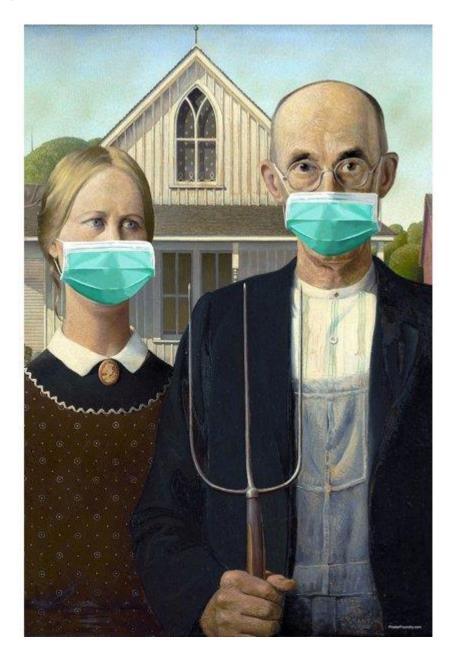
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Introductions

Why this Course?

Administrative stuff

Brief History of Visual Data

Teaching Team: professors

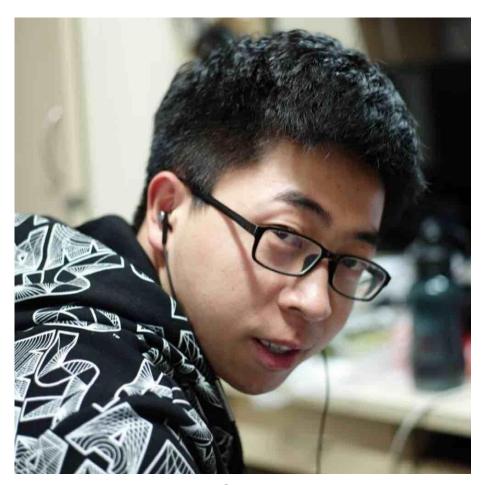


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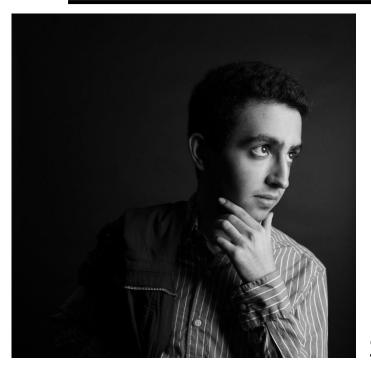


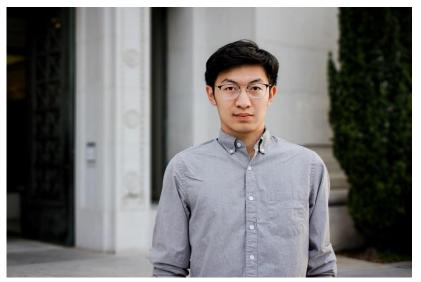
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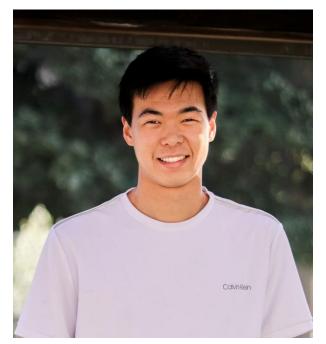


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Why This Course?

Visual Computing in the old days...

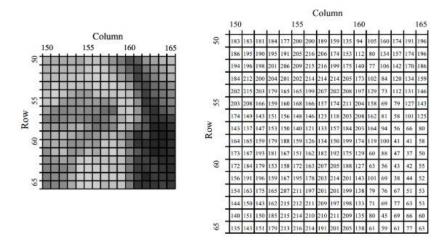
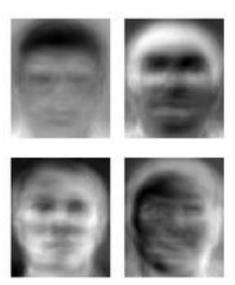


Image Processing EECS 225B



Computer Graphics CS 184



Computer Vision CS 280

Visual Computing gets interconnected

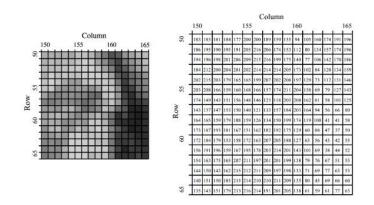


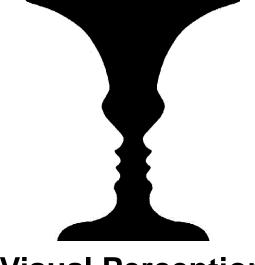
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Art History
ART 10



Computer Graphics CS 184



Visual Perception PSYCH Computer Vision CS 280

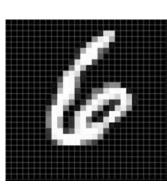






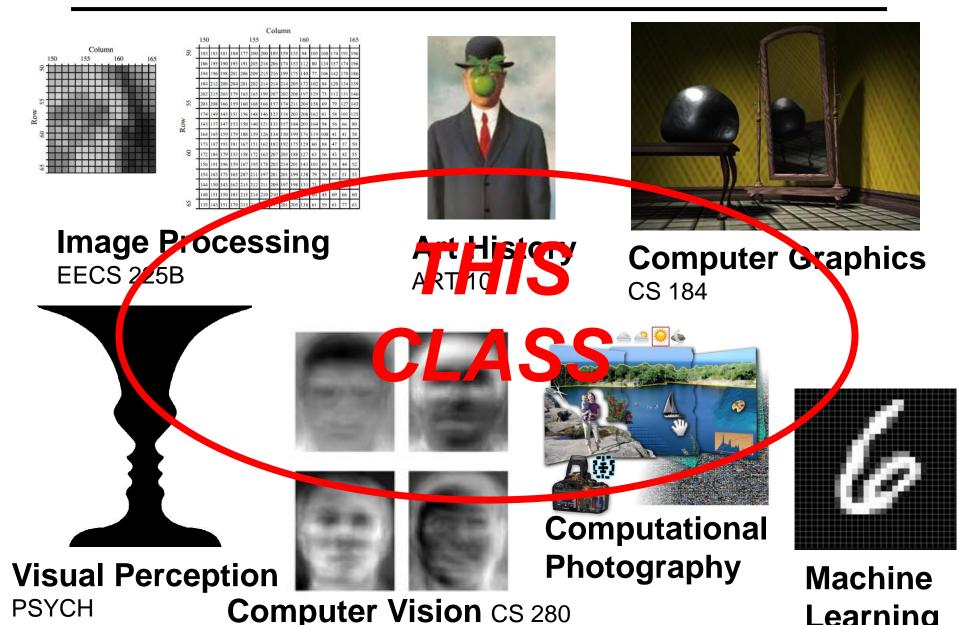


Computational Photography



Machine Learning

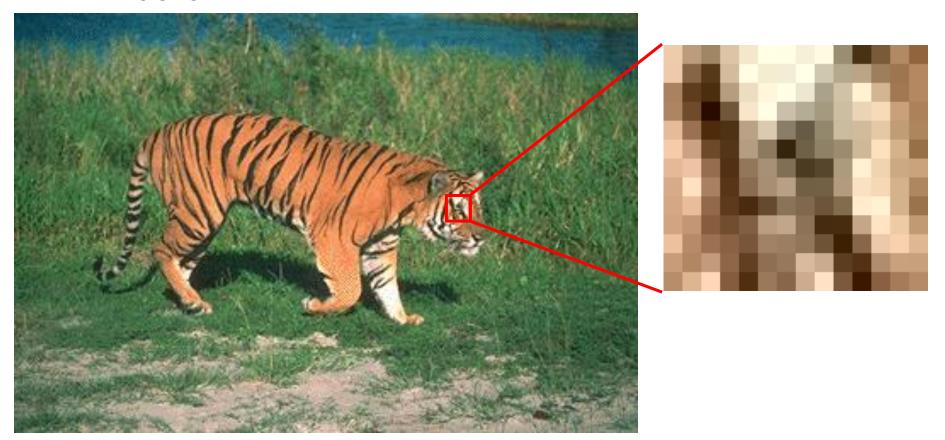
Visual Computing gets interconnected



Learning

The key objective of this class is <u>to become</u> <u>friends with every pixel!</u>

 You will appreciate the fundamental difficulty of understanding and computing with visual data



2. You will get a foundation in image processing and computer vision

- Camera basics, image formation
- Convolutions, filtering
- Image and Video Processing (filtering, anti-aliasing, pyramids)
- Image Manipulation (warping, morphing, mosaicing, matting, compositing)
- Projection, 3D, stereo
- Basics of recognition
- ...

- 3. You will get a more intuitive understanding of important mathematical and computational concepts
 - Gradients
 - Change of basis, interpolation, extrapolation, PCA
 - FFT
 - Dynamic programming, recursion
 - Machine learning, Convolutional Neural Networks
 - Large-data Approaches
 - ...

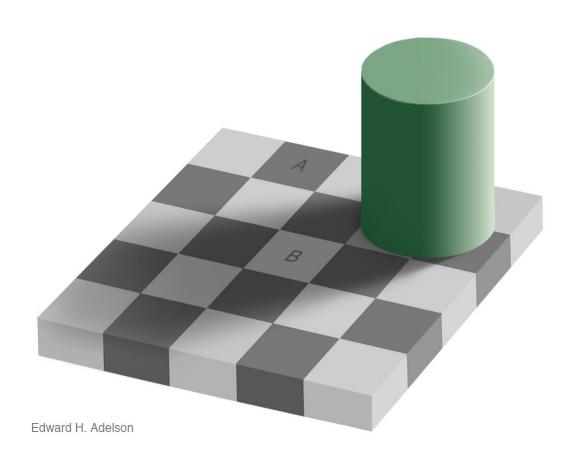
4. You will learn approaches for visual synthesis



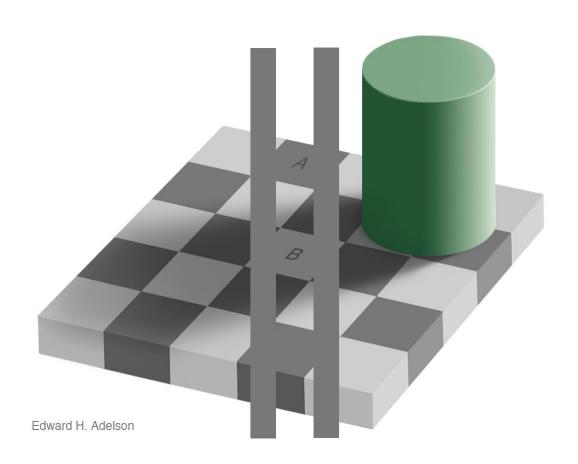


DALL-E + Danielle Baskin

4. You'll better appreciate human visual perception



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Different people see different things



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_dress

Seeing vs. experience



Seeing less than you think...









Video by Antonio Torralba (starring Rob Fergus)

But actually...



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5. You'll have fun doing cool stuff, coding up a storm, while you befriend the pixels

Programming Project #1

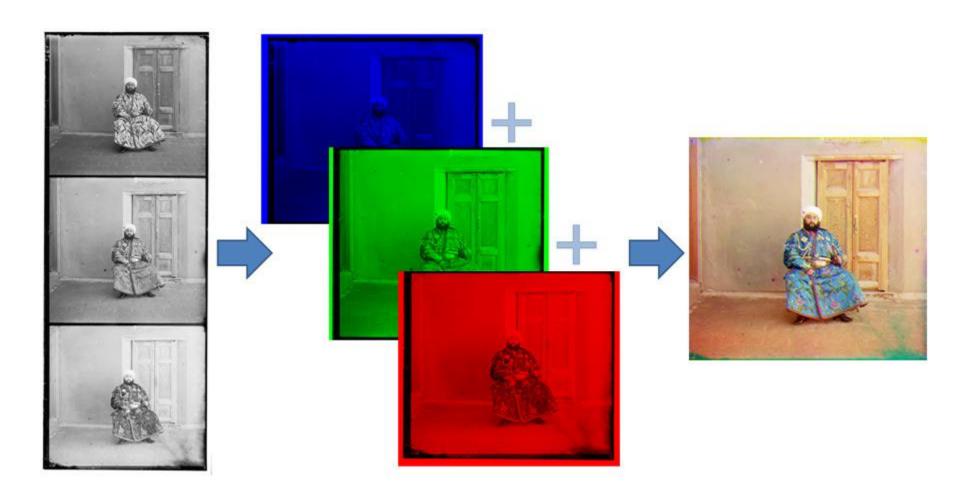
Prokudin-Gorskii's Color Photography (1907)







Programming Project #1

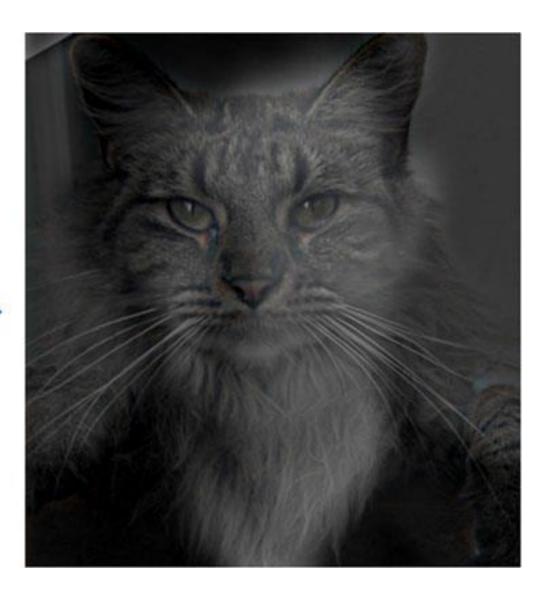


Project 2: Fun with frequencies

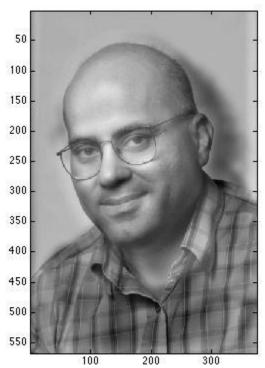








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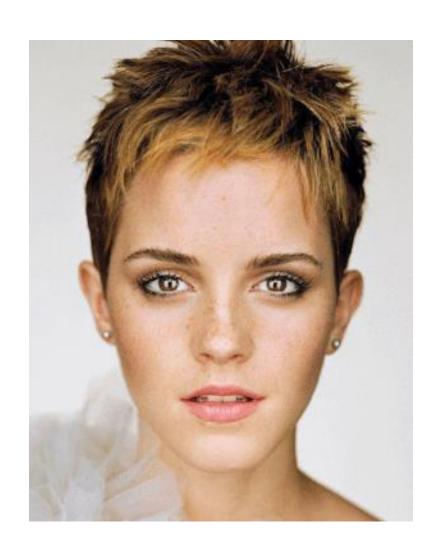


Prof. Christos Papadimalik

Project 2: Fun with Frequencies

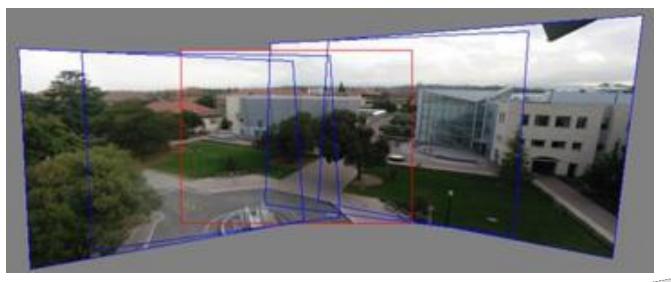


Project 3: Face modeling and morphing



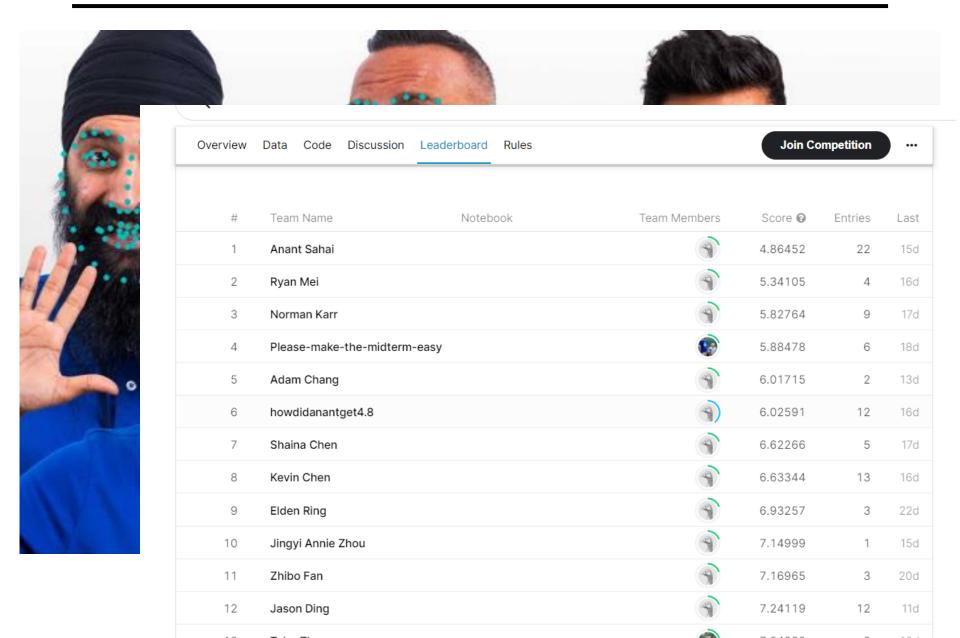
Project 4: Panorama Stitching

Photo Mosaics





Project 5: Deep Facial Keypoint Detection



Final Project

Something cool!!!

- We will have some pre-canned projects
- Will also have some suggestions, cool datasets, etc
- Or you can do whatever you want!

(can be done in groups of 2 or 3)

Example Pre-canned Project

Tour Into the Picture



Paper Pop-up



Step 1: define planes



p 2: rectify each plane



Step 3: compute 3D box coords

Sample final project in my class



Everybody Dance Now



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PCBTZh41Ris&feature=youtu.be

For each project:

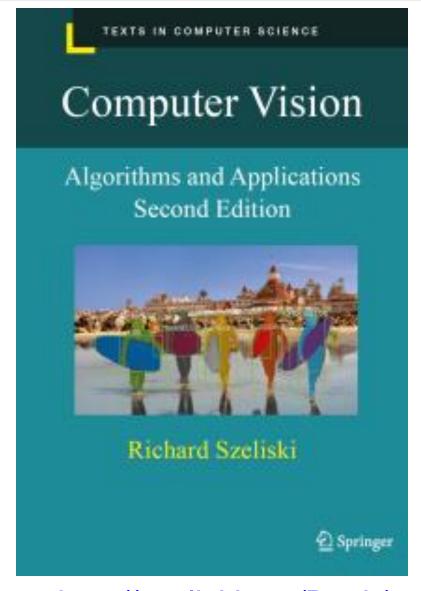
Derive the **math**, implement stuff **from scratch**, and apply it to your **own** photos

Every person does their own project (except final projects)

Reporting via web page (plus submit code)

Afterwards, vote for class favorite(s)!

Textbook



http://szeliski.org/Book/

Class Organization / Administrivia

General

Prerequisites

- Linear algebra!!! (EE16A, Math 54, or Math 110)
- Good programming skills (at least CS61B)
- Deep Learning experience strongly recommended!

Emphasis on programming projects!

Building something from scratch

Graduate Version:

 Final project required (not pre-canned), including conferencestyle report paper

This will be a "live" class:

Attendance is required

Rule # 1: No lecture recordings

This is an in-person class. You are come to the lecture and ask questions!

Only available by request for truly exceptional circumstances, e.g. severe illness

Rule # 2: Deadline is a deadline

In real life there's no slip days

This is a FUN but INTENSE class, projects come one after another

Know that more slip days you use, the tougher next project gets. They are for **emergencies**.

Projects are time consuming. Part of it is to create a website, which also takes a lot of time.

Rule # 3: TA's don't read code

TA's don't debug code for you.

Part of the skill is to learn how to ask questions to debug the issue without presenting the code

Visualize the results and send those to figure out what is wrong

Use the pixels – become friends with visual debugging

Getting help outside of class

Course Web Page

http://inst.eecs.berkeley.edu/~cs194-26/

Discussion board:

piazza

Office hours

TBA... see webpage and piazza

Administrative Stuff

Grading

- Programming Project (60%)
- Exam + possible popup quizzes (20%)
- Final Project (20%)
- Class Participation: priceless

Late Policy

- Five (5) emergency late days for semester. The expectation is you will never use them.
- Max 10% of full credit afterwards

Extra Points

- Most projects will have optional "bells & whistles"
- These extra points could be used to pad scores on other projects (but not exams!)

Academic Integrity

- Can discuss projects, but never share code
- Don't look up code or copy from a friend
- If you're not sure if it's allowed, ask
- Cite any sources and inspirations

Waitlists

- To keep this course live, we are limited by room size (217 people)
- However, we expect 50-70 people to drop after the first two projects ©
 - So, if you are on waitlist, etc, you have good chance to get into class
 - But need to start doing projects!

Warning: historically high GPA of this course

Survivor bias

High class GPA != easy course

This is a FUN but INTENSE class

You write the code from scratch, that's the point.

• Rubrics are fuzzy, goals are ill-defined, that's the point.

Why you should NOT take this class

Project-based class

- No canned problem sets
- Not theory-heavy (but will read a few research papers)
- No clean rubrics
- Open-ended by design
- Will not copy advanced topics, but will try to make sure everyone understands the basics super-well

Need time to think, not just hack

- Creativity is a class requirement
- Not a class to learn about Deep Learning!

Lots of work...There are easier classes if

- you just need some units
- you care more about the grade than about learning stuff

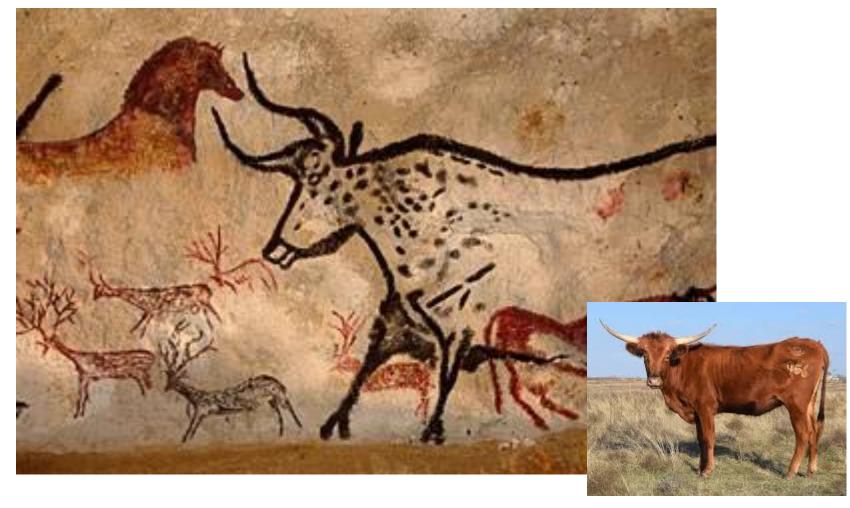
Not worth it if you don't enjoy it

Now... reasons TO take this class

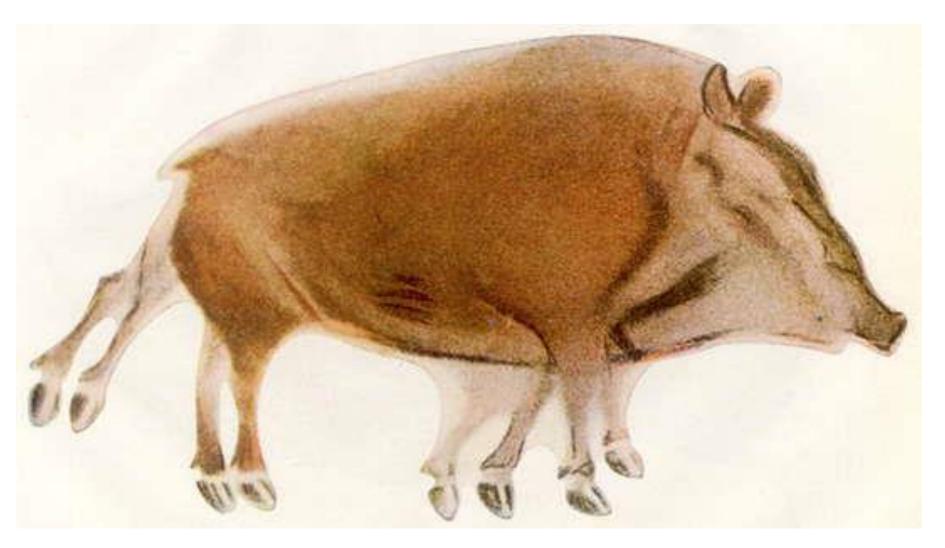
- It's your reward after 3 grueling years ©
- You get to work with pictures, unleash your creative potential
- Interested in grad school?

A Brief History of the Visual Data

Depicting Our World: The Beginning

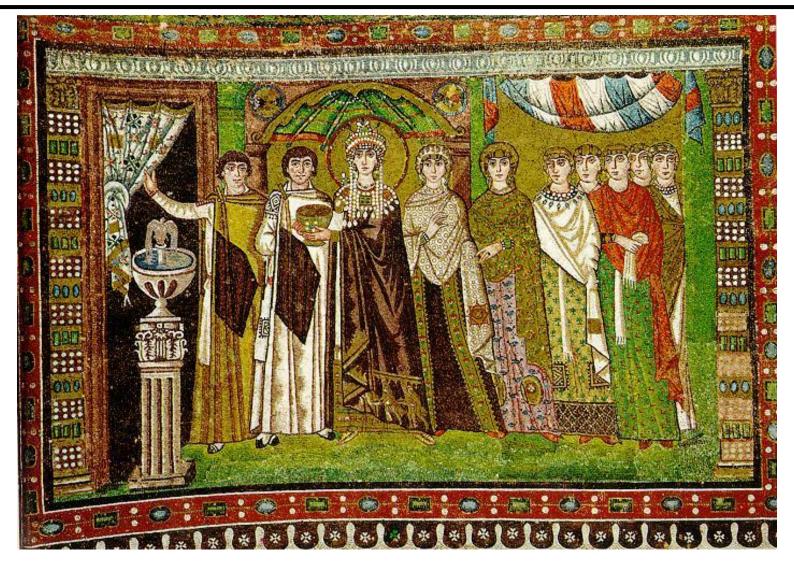


Prehistoric Painting, Lascaux Cave, France ~ 13,000 -- 15,000 B.C.



Prehistoric Cave Painting, Altamira ~ 20,000 – 15,000 B.C.

Depicting Our World: Middle Ages



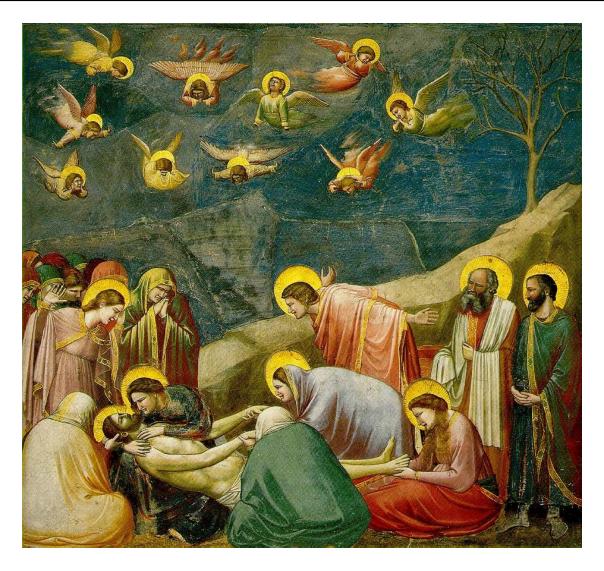
The Empress Theodora with her court. Ravenna, St. Vitale 6th c.

Depicting Our World: Middle Ages



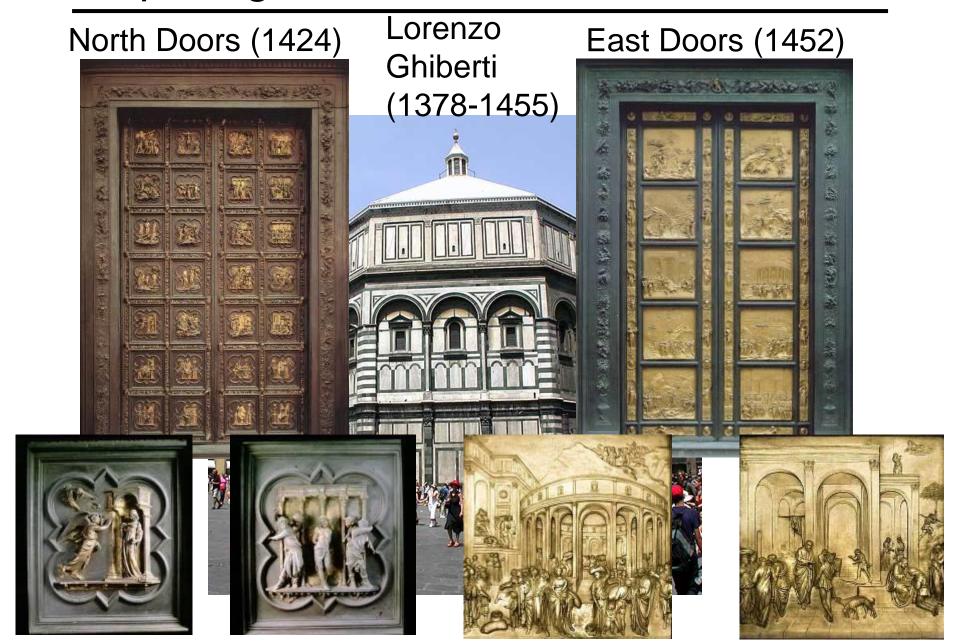
Nuns in Procession. French ms. ca. 1300.

Beginnings of the Renaissance

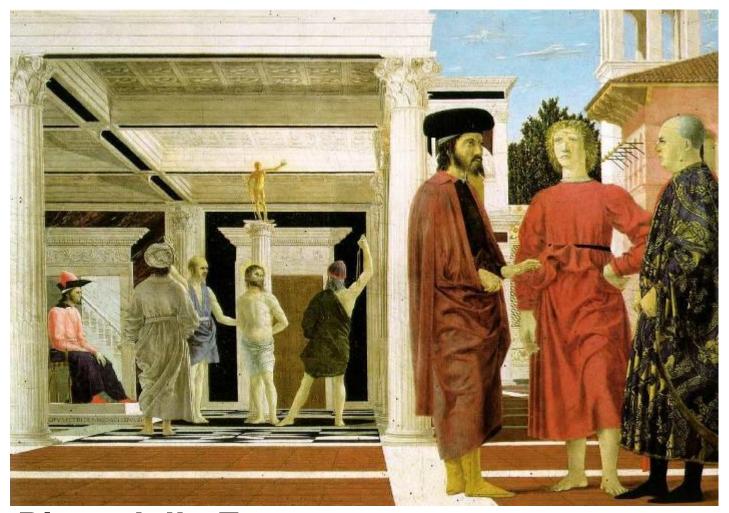


Giotto, The Mourning of Christ, c.1305

Depicting Our World: Renaissance

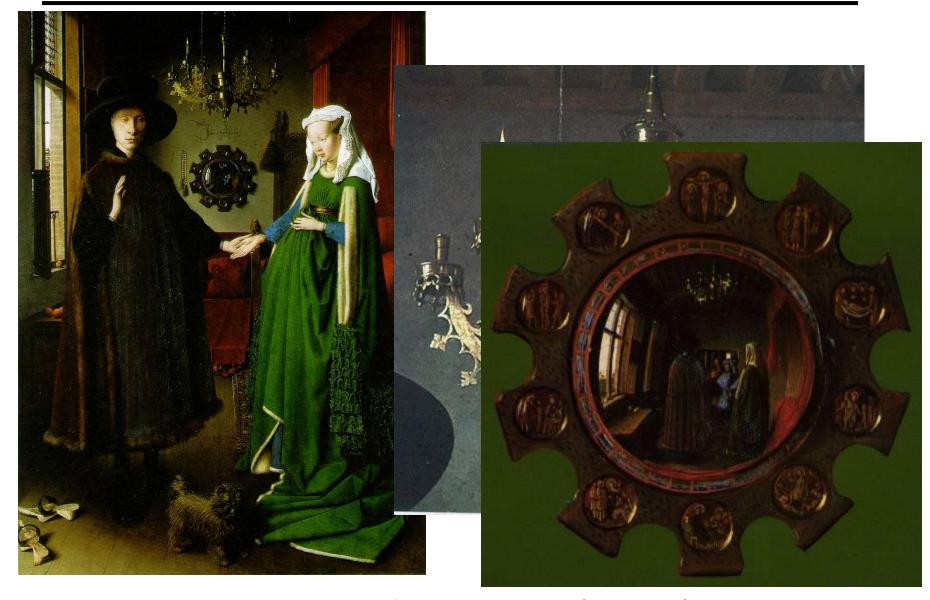


Depicting Our World: Renaissance



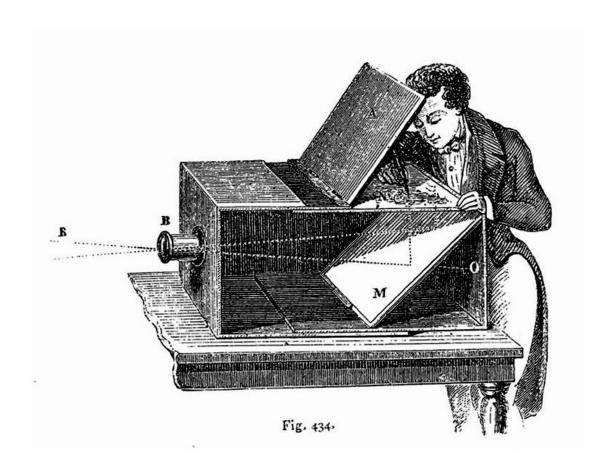
Piero della Francesca, The Flagellation (c.1469)

Depicting Our World: Toward Perfection



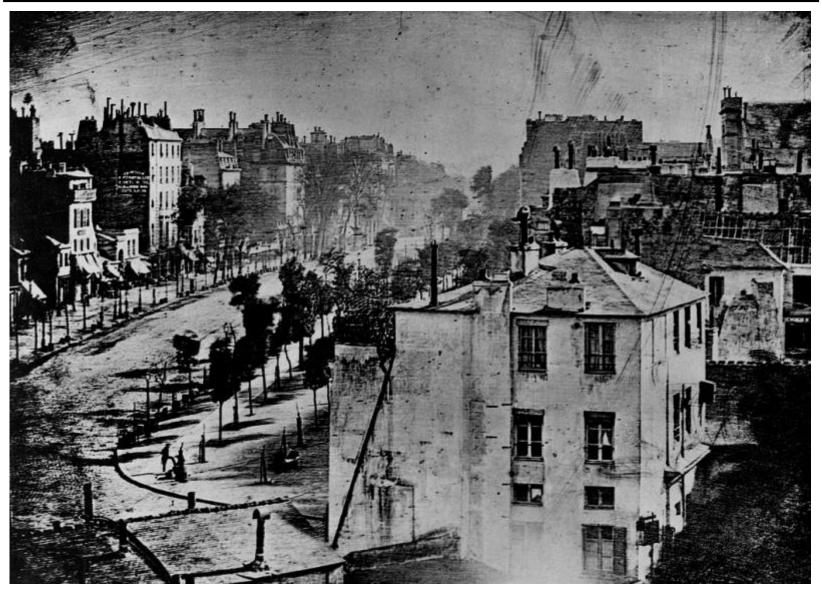
Jan van Eyck, The Arnolfini Marriage (c. 1434)

Depicting Our World: Toward Perfection



Lens Based Camera Obscura, 1568

Depicting Our World: Perfection!



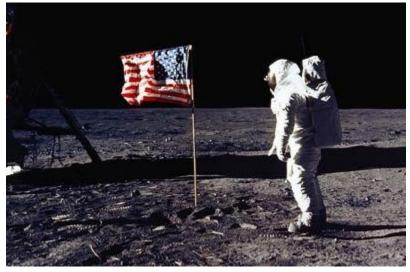
Boulevard du Temple, Louis Daguerre, 1838

Depicting Our World: Realism?











Paris, according to Flickr



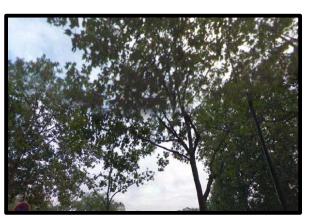












Paris, according to Google StreetView















Knopp, Sivic, Pajdla, ECCV 2010

Paris, according to me

















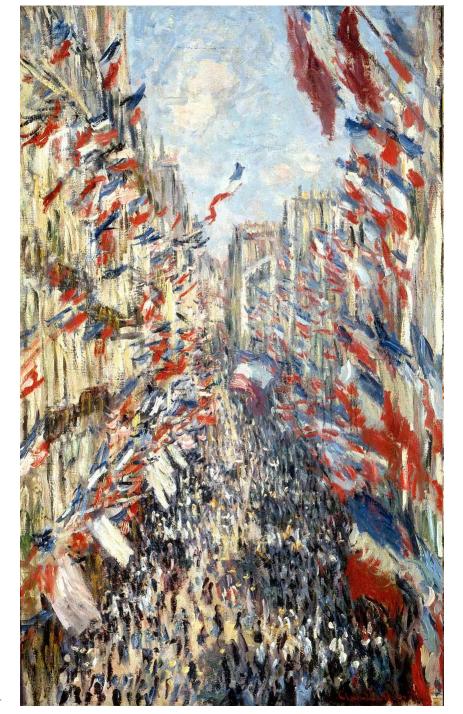








After realism...



Monet, La rue Montorgueil

Depicting Our World: Ongoing Quest



Pablo Picasso



David Hockney

Better than realism?



David Hockney, Place Furstenberg (1985)

Which one is right?

Multiple viewpoints







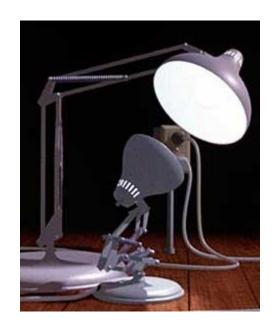
David Hockney, Place Furstenberg, 1985

Alyosha Efros Place Furstenberg, 2009

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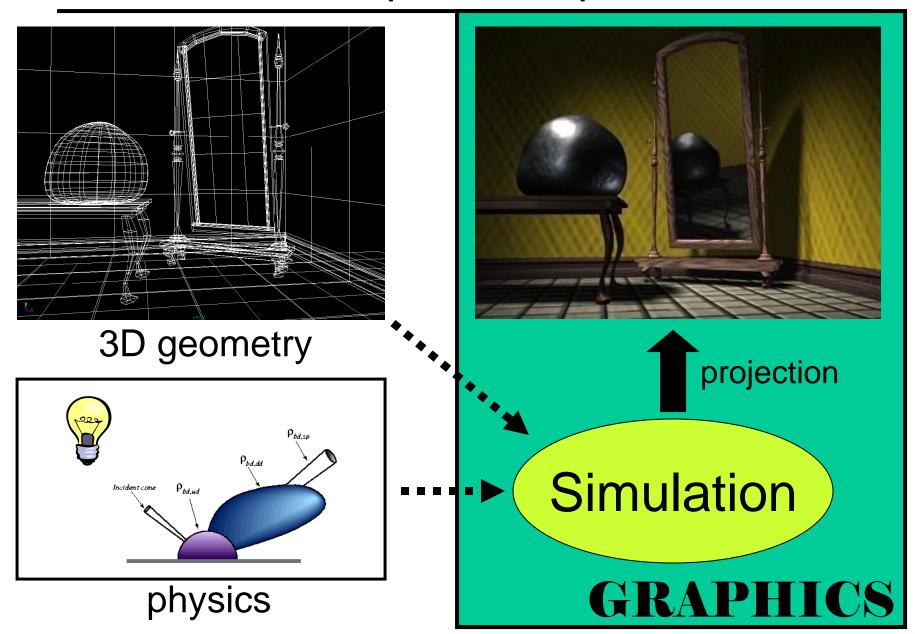


Antonio Torralba & Aude Oliva (2002)

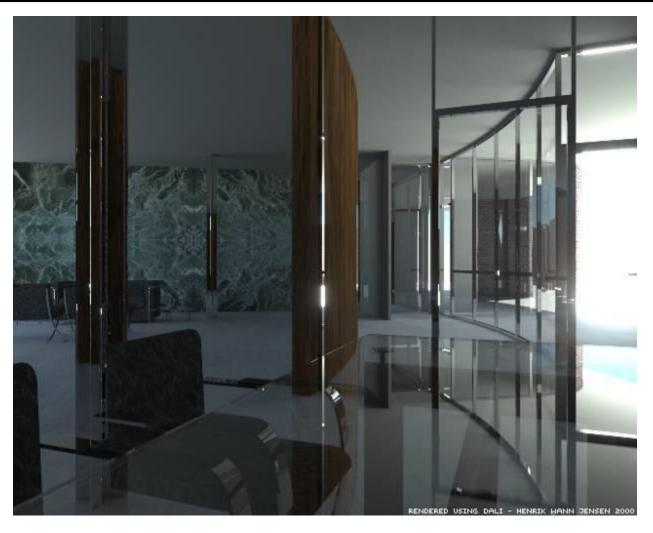


Enter Computer Graphics...

Traditional Computer Graphics



Modern Computer Graphics



- Amazingly real
- •But so sterile, lifeless, futuristic (why?)

The richness of our everyday world



Photo by Svetlana Lazebnik

Beauty in complexity



University Parks, Oxford

Which parts are hard to model?

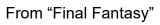


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People



On the Tube, London





Creating Realistic Imagery

Computer Graphics



- + great creative possibilities
- + easy to manipulate objects/viewpoint
- -Tremendous expertise and effort to obtain realism

Computational Photography

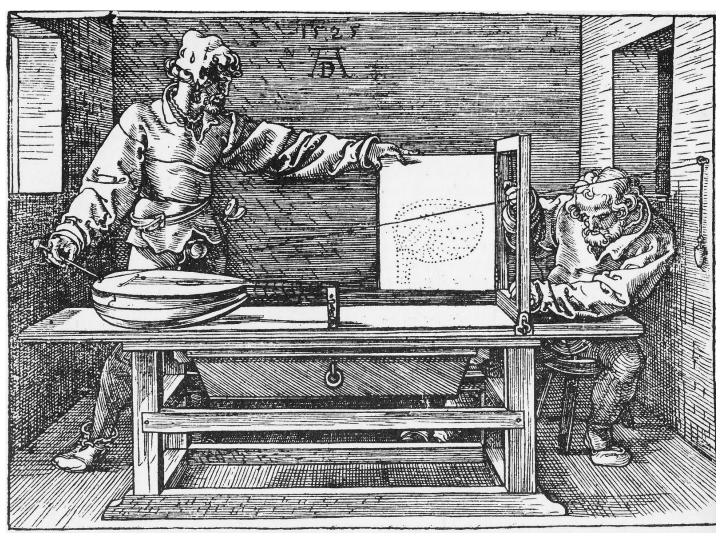


Photography



- + instantly realistic
- + easy to aquire
- very hard to manipulate objects/viewpoint

Computer Vision



Mechanical creation of a perspective image, Albrecht Dürer, 1525

Happy Independence Day, Ukraine!

