







## Computational Photography --- La photographie computationnelle ---

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### Introduction

Let's start with *concrete* examples of "<u>Computational Photography</u>" before defining its *scope* and *methodologies*.



Photography

Computational Photography

### **Introduction: Digital Still Cameras (DSCs)**

# But first, let's review today's DSC Consumer market (March 2008)





**Introduction:** What's computational photography?

## **Example 1** Non Photo Realistic Camera



### Warm up: Nonphotorealistic camera (NPR camera)

#### Multiple flashes to easily get depth discontinuities



A Non-Photorealistic Camera: Depth Edge Detection and Stylized Rendering with Multi-Flash Imaging.SIGGRAPH 2004 http://www.merl.com/people/raskar/NprCamera/

### Warm up: Nonphotorealistic (NPR) camera



#### Intensity edge≠depth edge

#### **Drawbacks:**

- textured background required
- does not work for highly specular objects
- baseline

## Warm up: Nonphotorealistic (NPR) camera

Laparoscope camera with two fiber optics lighting



Shadow to the right



Shadow to the left





Multi-Flash Camera for Enhanced Laparoscope Images, Unpublished 2004 http://www.merl.com/people/raskar/NprCamera/

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## **Example 2** Synthetic Aperture Focusing Camera







Camera array provides many individual apertures  $\rightarrow$  synthetic aperture focusing

High Performance Imaging Using Large Camera Arrays. SIGGRAPH 2005 http://graphics.stanford.edu/projects/array/

### Warm up: Synthetic aperture focusing



+Bonus: Averaging multiple images **also improve** Signal-to-Noise ratio (SNR)

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## Example 3 (De)weathering Camera

## Warm up: (De)weathering

(d) Enhancing rain

(c) A scene with rain



## Removing or adding weather artifacts (like fog or rain) in images $\rightarrow$ Image enhancer with many applications (tele-surveillance, etc)

When does a camera see rain? ICCV05 Polarization-based vision through haze. Applied Optics 2003 http://www1.cs.columbia.edu/CAVE/publications/

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## Example 4 Sur-realistic Camera (Gradient camera)

MPR

## Warm up: Reilluminating by image fusion





Surrealistic image  $\rightarrow$ Easier to undertand



**Context enhancement** by image processing. Fusion of a scene under different illuminations (←Gradient image manipulation)

Image Fusion for Context Enhancement. NPAR 2004 http://www.merl.com/people/raskar/



## Warm up: Reilluminating by image fusion

Algorithm 1 Basic algorithm

for each input image  $I_i$  do Find gradient field  $G_i = \nabla I_i$ Compute importance image  $W_i$  from  $|G_i|$ end for for each pixel (x,y) do Compute mixed gradient field  $G(x,y) = \sum_i W_i(x,y)G_i(x,y) / \sum_i W_i(x,y)$ end for Reconstruct image I' from gradient field GNormalize pixel intensities in I' to closely match  $\sum_i W_i I_i$  Basic idea is to build a <u>mixed gradient image</u> from which we <u>reconstruct</u> the merged image.

Day Day+Night Night

Image Fusion for Context Enhancement. NPAR 2004 http://www.merl.com/people/raskar/ **Introduction: What's computational photography?** 

## Example 5 Shape-Time Camera (Depict the world)

### Warm up: Depicting the world



Shape-time photography. CVPR 2003 people.csail.mit.edu/billf/

## Warm up: Shape-Time photography



←Based on a probabilistic framework computed via **belief propagations** (BP)

Shape-time photography. CVPR 2003 people.csail.mit.edu/billf/



## So... what's Computational Photography?

## Wrapping-up: Multifacets of Comp. Photography













#### Recap of our 5 examples:

- 1. NPR Flash (H/W+S/W)
- 2. Synthetic Aperture Focusing (H/W+S/W)
- 3. (De)weathering (S/W)
- 4. NPR Reillumination (S/W)
- 5. Shape-time photography (H/W+S/W)

#### **Computational Photography is:**

A rich variety of techniques:

- Novel hardware/software camera combinations.
- New generation of image processing techniques

## $\rightarrow$ **Creativity** is key to success!



## **Computational Photography: Flash back.**

#### **History** of photography is *fascinating* but would take too long here...



Joseph Niepce (1825) 8 hours exposure



Louis Ducos du Hauron (1872)



Sony Mavica (1981) First Electronic still camera

From *camera obscura* to nowadays' digital camera, the process of taking pictures has improved but ...remains essentially the same...



## $\rightarrow$ Photography HAS BEEN full of trade-offs !!!

Photography and Realism http://www.wisc.edu/arth/ah407/

Camera Obscura http://www.acmi.net.au/AIC/CAMERA\_OBSCURA.html

## **Computational Photography: Photo parameters**



#### • Focal length (in mm)

Determines the field of view.
 wide angle (<30mm) to</li>
 telephoto(>100mm)

#### <u>Focusing distance</u>

Which distance in the scene is sharp

#### <u>Depth of field</u>

– zone around the focus distance that is sharp

#### • Aperture (in f number)

- Ratio of used diameter and focal lens. Number under the divider
- → small number = large aperture
   (e.g. f/2.8 is a large aperture,
   f/16 is a small aperture)

#### Shutter speed (in % second)

- Reciprocity relates shutter speed and aperture

#### Sensitivity (in ISO)

- Linear effect on exposure
- 100 ISO is for bright scenes,
- 1600 ISO is for dark scenes

## **Computational Photography**

1<sup>st</sup> goal of computational photography is to *remove* camera limitations:

#### Current DSC

- Focal length
- Focusing distance
- Depth of field
- Aperture
- Shutter speed
- Sensitivity





## Ideal DSC

- Complete field of view (fov)
- Sharp image everywhere (gdof)
- Noiseless image (Giso)
- Bright image never saturated (dr)

→ Lets see how to override trade-offs!

**Computational Photography: Field of view** 

# Removing Trade-off Field of View (fov)

## **Overriding Trade-offs... field of views**







We override field of view limits by stitching several pictures





Quicktime VR - an image-based approach to virtual environment navigation. SIGGRAPH 1995 Surround Video: A Multi-Head Camera Approach. Visual Computer Journal 2005

## **Overriding field of views: Recognizing panoramas**

#### Stitching should be painless —> Recognize automatically panoramas!

SIFT feature extractor
RANSAC
Bundle adjustment
Multiband blending













(b) All 80 images registered



Computer methods for creating photomosaics. IEEE Trans. Computer 23 1975. Recognizing panoramas, ICCV 2003

## **Overriding field of views: Gigantic panoramas**

#### Stitching should be massive: →Consumer gigapixel images (Fourier)



The Phase Correlation Image alignment Method. IEEE Int. Conf. on Cybernetics and Society, 1975. ClairVoyance: A Fast and Robust Precision Mosaicing System for Gigapixel Images, IECON 2006.

## **Overriding field of views: Surround videos**



Cluster of cameras looking outward Or catadioptric system (use mirrors to align *virtual* nodal points)

FullView.com / Page on omnidirectional systems http://www.cis.upenn.edu/~kostas/omni.html Surround video: A multihead camera approach, CVPR 2001, ITCC 2002, Visual Computer Journal 2005. A GPU Panorama Viewer for Generic Camera Models, Shader X5, 2006. **Computational Photography: Dynamic Range** 

## Removing Trade-offs Dynamic Range (exposure)

## **Overriding Trade-offs... Exposure=Qty of light**

- <u>Aperture (f-stop number)</u>
  - Expressed as ratio between focal length and aperture diameter: diameter = f / <f number>  $f/\# = N = \frac{f}{D}$
  - f/2.0, f/2.8, f/4.0, f/5.6, f/8.0, f/11, f/16 (factor of sqrt (2))
  - Small f number means large aperture
  - Main effect: *depth of field*
  - A good standard lens has max aperture f/1.8.
     A cheap zoom has max aperture f/3.5

#### • <u>Shutter speed</u>

- In fraction of a second
- 1/30, 1/60, 1/125, 1/250, 1/500 (factor of 2)
- Main effect: *motion blur*
- <u>Sensitivity</u>
  - Gain applied to CCD/CMOS sensor
  - In ISO, bigger number, more sensitive (100, 200, 400, 800, 1600)
  - Main effect: *sensor noise*

#### $\rightarrow$ degrees of freedom for setting an exposure.







f/2.8 f/4 f/5.6 f/8

f/2

## **Overriding Trade-offs...** Exposure/Dynamic range



Radiant flux: energy per sec. (in Watt)

Candela (cd): luminous power per solid angle Illuminance in candela/m2 (nit) (Irradiance)



Images are quantized and some pixels may be **clamped**: Underexposed (clamped to 0) or overexposed (clamped to 255)

## **Overriding Trade-offs...** Exposure/Dynamic range

**Exposure latitude (film constrast ratio**)= range of light intensities. Digital cameras: pixels in 8-,12- or 16-bit quantized values. So far we needed to choose the **dynamic range** (DR) properly



Override exposure limits by `stitching several' dynamic range pictures From exposed picture (LDR) to **radiance picture** (HDR)

HDRShop <u>http://gl.ict.usc.edu/HDRShop/</u> Recovering High Dynamic Range Radiance Maps from Photographs, SIGGRAPH 1997

## **Overriding Dynamic range... Radiance pictures**

# Tone mapping Killer application: Image-based lighting (IBL) Tonemap Synthetic rendering using light probes Tone mapped

Photographic tone reproduction, SIGGRAPH 2002. http://www.gregdowning.com/HDRI/tonemap/Reinhard/ Image-Based Lighting (IBL). IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications 22(2): 26-34 (2002) Backward Compatible High Dynamic Range MPEG Video Compression, SIGGRAPH 2006

(for display)

**Computational Photography: Depth & Sharpness** 

# Removing Trade-off Depth of Field (DoF)

## **Overriding Depth of field (DoF)**



#### ←All-in-focus image from **multiple** focused images using graph cuts

Interactive Digital photomontage, SIGGRAPH 2004 <u>http://grail.cs.washington.edu/projects/photomontage/</u> Graph Cuts for Energy Minimization, ICCV 2003. http://www.cs.cornell.edu/~rdz/graphcuts.html
#### **Overriding Depth of field | Graph cuts**

Max flow/min cut graph algorithms applied to images (large graphs)



$$cut(A, B) = \sum_{u \in A, v \in B} w(u, v).$$
  
Min cut or max cut



Interactive Digital photomontage, SIGGRAPH 2004 http://grail.cs.washington.edu/projects/photomontage/

## **Computational Photo.: Overriding Trade-offs...**

→Multiple image fusion techniques to remove current photography limits



Field of view → **panorama picture** (Omnidirectional picture)



Exposure → **radiance picture** (Omnirange picture)



Depth of field  $\rightarrow$  all-in-focus picture (omnifocus picture)

Picture → Omnipicture (Multiple Capture Single Image, MCSI) **Computational Photography: Human Perception** 

# Human Perception versus Digital Image Processing

Qualia vs Turing machine computation...



### **Overriding Dynamic range...** Tone mapping

#### Scientific (measurement) images ≠ Human perceptual images



'dark disks' visible *through* light haze 'light disks' visible *through* dark haze

Image segmentation and lightness perception, Nature 434, 79-83, 2005

## S/W Computational Photo.: Hybrid images

#### Humans perceive low/high frequency differently according to distances.



Miss Calm and Dr Angry

High frequency (=edges) at small distances

Low frequency at large distances (= Gaussian filter)

Hybrid images, SIGGRAPH 2006.

#### S/W Computational Photo.: Hybrid images





Low frequency at far distance

High frequency at close distance

Hybrid images, SIGGRAPH 2006.

## S/W Computational Photo.: Hybrid images



Hybrid images, SIGGRAPH 2006.

**Computational Photography: Depth & Sharpness** 

# Modern Image Processing images as graphs

#### S/W Computational Photo.: Object cutout











Graph cut with presegmentation (mean shift oversegmentation)



(a) Girl (4/2/12)

(b) Ballet (4/7/14)

(c) Boy (6/2/13)

Lazy snapping, SIGGRAPH 2004 / <u>http://research.microsoft.com/~jiansun/</u> Implementation http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~mohitg/segmentation.htm

#### **Computational Photography**

# Inpainting... Texture Synthesis... Hallucination....



Region filling and object removal by exemplar-based inpainting. IEEE Trans. Image Process. 2004 http://research.microsoft.com/~antcrim/papers.htm

#### **Comp. Photography: Image analogies**

Image analogies









Training pairs (A, A')



Unfiltered source (A)

Unfiltered (B)



Filtered source (A')

Filtered (B')

Pictures by numbers (segmentation)

Unfiltered target (B)

Filtered target (B')

#### Superresolution

Image analogies, SIGGRAPH 2001

## **Computational Photography: ClickRemoval applet**





Visual Computing: Geometry, Graphics, and Vision 2005.



Techniques described with C++ code

Frank Nielsen, Richard Nock: ClickRemoval: interactive pinpoint image object removal. <u>ACM Multimedia 2005</u>:

**Computational Photography: H/W** 

# **Computational Photography** Novel hardware & processing techniques



# **Computational Photo.: ID Camera**



NaviCam Augmented-Reality (AR)

Multiple capture single image (MCSI) CMOS sensor, image processing on-board









ID CAM: A Smart Camera for Scene Capturing and ID Recognition (ISMAR'03) The World through the Computer: Computer Augmented Interaction with Real World Environments, UIST 1995

#### **Computational Photography: Vein Viewer**



Coaxial Infrared camera + Projector





VeinViewer (Luminetx) | http://www.luminetx.com/main/default.aspx

#### **Computational Photography:**

# Computing in Optical Domain

# H/W Comp. Photo.: Computing in Optical domain







Control the rays in space-time: **Exposure** allows **optical** computations →**Light integration on the sensor** 

Programmable imaging using a digital micromirror array (CVPR'04) Programmable Imaging: Towards a Flexible Camera, Int. Journal of Computer Vision. 2006

#### H/W Comp. Photo.: Computing in Optical domain





DMD input image

Camera output image

Image Without Modulation DMD Input Image

Modulated Image













**Convolution in optical domain** 



# Require to **calibrate** the DMD with the camera coarsely



Convolution in optical domain for face recognition

Programmable imaging using a digital micromirror array (CVPR'04) Programmable Imaging: Towards a Flexible Camera, Int. Journal of Computer Vision. 2006

#### **Computational Photography:**

# Computing in Gradient Domain

## **Computational Photography : Loose Copy/Paste**

#### For pasting objects, do not care of precise boundaries/mattes



Former method: Multi-band Laplacian image pyramid blending

New approach based on Poisson image editing using a Poisson equation solver

- f\* the known image Scalar 2D function from (x,y) to grayscale value.
- f the image in the unknown area
- $\Omega-$  the unknown area (domain of f)

$$\arg\min_{f} \iint_{\Omega} |\nabla f|^2 \quad s.t. \quad f|_{\partial\Omega} = f^*|_{\partial\Omega}$$

Complete the area as smoothly as possible.

Drag-and-drop pasting, SIGGRAPH 2006 [Poisson Image Editing 2003] The Laplacian Pyramid as a Compact Image Code, IEEE Trans. Communications (1983)



#### **Computational Photography:**

# Computing with Flash/no-flash

#### H/WComp. Photography: Gradient camera



Removing photography artifacts using gradient projection and flash-exposure sampling, SIGGRAPH 2005

### S/W Computational Photo.: Matte Extraction



- Seminal blue screen, rotoscoping
- Probability theory of alpha matting: ←Bayesian matting, belief propagation

### **Under constrained** problem: One equation, **three** unknowns



$$I_i = \alpha_i F_i + (1 - \alpha_i) B_i$$



→need to constrain the problem!→Many techniques

#### **H/W Computational Photo.: Flash/no flash matting**







Need tripodProblems with specularity

Flash matting, SIGGRAPH 2006

#### **Computational Photography:**

# Computing with exotic "lenses"

### **Computational Photo.: Lensless Camera**



# Control the light rays on each layer: Multiple-layer aperture





Lensless Imaging with a Controllable Aperture, CVPR 2006

#### **Computational Photo.: Lensless Camera**



#### Pan/tilt field of view (fov) without physical moving parts

Lensless Imaging with a Controllable Aperture, CVPR 2006

#### **Computational Photo.: Lensless Camera**



#### Split field of view, spatially varying zoom



(b)





Lensless Imaging with a Controllable Aperture, CVPR 2006

## **Computational Photography: Eye Optics**

Appearances of eyes captures both the environment and gazing direction



Corneal Imaging System Environment from Eyes, Int. Journal on Computer Vision (IJCV) 2006. Eyes for relighting, SIGGRAPH 2004.

### **Computational Photo.: Eye Optics**

#### Gazing directions and corneal images





Stitching and blending onto an equirectangular map

Corneal Imaging System Environment from Eyes, Int. Journal on Computer Vision (IJCV) 2006. Eyes for relighting, SIGGRAPH 2004.

#### **Computational Photo.: Eye Optics**



Performing 3D reconstruction Of a 3D cube displayed on a monitor (Epipolar geometry of corneal imaging system)

Corneal Imaging System Environment from Eyes, Int. Journal on Computer Vision (IJCV) 2006. Eyes for relighting, SIGGRAPH 2004.

## **Comp. Photography: Radial Catadioptric Camera**



Capture a *radial* space of raysBoth mirrored and object parts

• 3D reconstruction with BRDF

(using a single shot!)



Multiview Radial Catadioptric Imaging for Scene Capture SIGGRAPH 2006

**Computational Photography:** 

# Beyond 2D pixels: 4D+ Light fields





### **Computational Photography: Plenoptic camera**



#### Fig.1.3

The plenoptic function describes the information available to an observer at any point in space and time. Shown here are two schematic eyes-which one should consider to have punctate pupils-gathering pencils of light rays. A real observer cannot see the light rays coming from behind, but the plenoptic function does include these rays.



FIGURE 1. The plenoptic function describes all of the image information visible from a particular viewing position.

#### Plenoptic (latin plenus+optics) is a **7D function** (X,Y,Z, $\theta$ , $\phi$ , $\lambda$ ,t)

The Plenoptic Function and the Elements of Early Vision 1991 Plenoptic Modeling: An Image-Based Rendering System, SIGGRAPH 1995

## **Computational Photography: Light field camera**

Instead of using a pinhole camera, why not capture a larger set of rays.  $\rightarrow$ 4D light fields



Light field rendering, SIGGRAPH 1996 http://graphics.stanford.edu/papers/light/ The lumigraph, SIGGRAPH 1996

## **Computational Photography: Light field camera**



#### Acquire first, postprocess later.







Moving the viewpoint





#### Digital refocusing



#### 16 MP: 300x300 lens images

Fourier Slice Photography, SIGGRAPH 2006
#### H/WComp. Photography: Light field camera



(a) (b) (c) (d) insure 13: A complete light field contined by our prototype. Careful examination (room in on electronic version, or use magnifying aloss in point) re-

#### Fourier Slice Photography, SIGGRAPH 2006

### **Comp. Photography: 8D Reflectance field**

<u>4D light field</u> : all rays outgoing at some closure
<u>4D illumination field</u> : all incoming rays some closure
<u>8D reflectance field</u>: ratio of outgoing/incoming rays

8D reflectance field modeled as a transport matrix between the 4D incident light field and the 4D reflected light field.



Projector array

#### **Light transport**





Camera array

(so far, only 6D measurements)

Symmetric Photography : Exploiting Data-sparseness in Reflectance Fields, Eurographics ESGR 2006

#### **Computational Photography**

## **Computational Photography** Smart pictures and Smart cameras



Pablo Picasso



Marc Chagall

Artists depicting our world



David Hockney, 1985

#### **Comp. Photography: Strobe light photography**









#### Few microseconds

Doc Edgerton, 1936

Hint: Sub-shutter speed if flash lapse is shorter than exposure time

#### **Comp. Photography: Expressive photography**



Express artistically or scientifically a scene. What are the **expressive rays**?

Andrew Davidhazy (RIT) http://www.rit.edu/~andpph/

#### **Comp. Photography: Multiperspective panoramas**



Figure 1 A multiperspective panorama from Disney's 1940 film Pinocchio. (Used with permission.)



Multiperspective panoramas for cel animation | SIGGRAPH 1997 | http://grail.cs.washington.edu/projects/multirama/





#### Multiperspective images (MCOP)







**3D** reconstruction based on epipolar geometry



Multiperspective images, SIGGRAPH 1998







Photographing Long Scenes with Multi-Viewpoint Panoramas, SIGGRAPH 2006

Matte extraction: strobing application

Old film of Etienne-Jules Marey



Mosaicing+matting provides a kinetic experience



Visualizing motion is important for video-based applications (PVR,etc.)













#### Computer generated motion lines

## **Computational Photography: Motion amplification**





(d) Motion magnified, showing holes

(e) After texture in-painting to fill holes



(f) After user's modification to segmentation map in (c)

A video example best described the result (Applications to telesurveillance, etc.)

Motion magnification, SIGGRAPH 2005 http://people.csail.mit.edu/celiu/motionmag/motionmag.html

## **Computational Photography: Motion amplification**



Motion magnification, SIGGRAPH 2005 http://people.csail.mit.edu/celiu/motionmag/motionmag.html

#### **Computational Photography**

# Summary

## **Computational Photography**



#### **Computational photography** ≠ **focal-plane intensities**

## Computational Photography: Announcement 🔏

LIX Colloquium at Ecole Polytechnique on *Emerging Trends in Visual Computing* (about 20 guest speakers) November 18th-20th 2008





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