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Monday-Thursday 2:00 – 13:50 JEC 4104

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Prerequisites: modest programming skills; linear systems and data structures

Grading:	Assignments	70 %
	Term paper	10%
	Software trial by fire	20%

Text: Only handouts and urls. cf: <http://iris.Keith Price Bibliography Image Processing Books.usc.edu/Vision-Notes/bibliography/book29.html>

Topics:

- Digital picture processing in context
- Image acquisition and display, optical density, halftones
- Spatial sampling and quantization: test charts and calibration
- Common image formats, representation, and compression methods
- Image and text compression methods and software
- Elementary picture-processing operations; morphology
- Geometric and intensity quantization and normalization
- Picture segmentation and connected component labeling (CC)
- Image registration (2-D and 3-D)
- Vectorization and tracing as an alternative to thinning and skeletonization
- Color models, formats, and transformations
- Selected applications: e.g. **ballots**, forms, micrographs, biometrics, remote sensing, image databases, digital libraries, line art, documents,

Assignments (~10): mostly using RPI or Open Source software (e.g. Photoshop, Matlab, Excel, JBIG, ZIP), and a term paper. Students may work alone or in *ad hoc* teams of two. Some of the procedures mastered in the course will be repeated in a (solo) take-home **Trial-by-Fire**. The class will be small enough to accommodate individual preferences in some assignments.

Course objective: All of the assignments will be based on optically scanned or photographed documents, which we will use to demonstrate various picture processing concepts and algorithms. On completion of the course, students should be sufficiently familiar with the (meager) theoretical foundation, notation and vocabulary of digital picture processing to pursue matters of interest in the current technical literature. They will understand some of the engineering aspects of a prototypical application of digital picture processing.

All Rensselaer academic honesty rules apply.

DPP 08 Schedule

- 1-14 Scope and Context; Quantitative Picture Processing: Tools
 1-17 Photometry and Geometry of Imaging Devices, Calibration and Characterization
- 1-21 **Martin Luther King Day**
 1-24 Grayscale/B&W: halftone screens and dithers; aliasing artifacts, Moire effects
- 1-28 Binarization: histogram, global, local
 1-31 **Prof. J. Kanai:** Image file types: *pixel/vector*: GIF, BMP, .PNG, PEG, TIF, PBM, PGM, PPM, PS, EPS; PSD, Latex, SGML, HTML, XML, PDF, ODA
- 2-4 Compression: lossy/lossless, grayscale/B&W, Huffman: LZ77, LZ78, LZW
 2-7 CCIT G3/4, Arithmetic Coding, JBIG, Symbol-based: JBIG-2, DjVu
- 2-19 (Tuesday) Image registration (intensity and feature-based), ICP, rectification
 2-21 Connected Components
- 2-25 Mathematical morphology (bilevel only)
 2-28 Elementary point, alg. geom. operations, edge detection, Laplacian of a Gaussian, Camy
- 3-3 **Prof. Steve Rice** FindSounds (Comparisionics)
 3-6 Thinning, medial axis, chamfer distance
- 3-10 **Spring Break**
- 3-17 Hough transform and intro to Radon transform
 3-20 (2x) Prof. Elisa Barney-Smith, Radon Transform, 3-D biomedical pictures, ?
- 3-24 **No lecture**
 3-27 **Dirk Padfield,** Image segmentation
- 3-31 Random Phase Noise
 4-3 Line drawings – vectorization and symbol extraction
- 4-7 Document segmentation and logical content labeling
 4-10 The eye, color
- 4-14 The many shades of white
 4-17 Interactive recognition - CAVIAR
 4-21 Student presentations
 4-24 Student presentations
- 4-28 Review
 5-1 **Reading Day**
- 5-5 5pm to 5-6 5pm 24-HOUR STRESS TEST

Term Paper - Due Thursday March 20, 2008

The objectives of this assignment are to familiarize you with image processing periodicals; to expose you to a topic possibly not covered in class; to give you practice in preparing a paper according to standards expected in submission for publication.

Find three articles, by separate authors, on a **single topic** in picture processing (but *not* document image processing) from one of the broad journals below or from a more discipline-specific journal (e.g., *IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging* or *Journal of Flow Visualization and Image Processing*)

IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence
IEEE Transactions on Image Processing
ICGST International Journal on Graphics, Vision and Image Processing (GVIP)
Computer Vision and Image Understanding,
Image and Vision Computing
Machine Vision and Applications
The Journal of Electronic Imaging.

Graphical Models and Image Processing
Image Understanding
Machine Vision and Applications (Springer)
Journal of Mathematical Imaging and Vision (Kluwer)
Image and Vision Computing (Butterworth)
Int'l. J. of PR and AI (World Scientific)
Advanced Imaging (PTN Publishing Company)
You may also use any completed PhD dissertation.

Prepare a 4-6 page (double-spaced) critique of the subject that you have chosen. Integrate the findings of the three papers and comment on how they support or negate each other's observations. Evaluate whether their main conclusions are credible.

In addition to your choice of articles and the perceptiveness and incisiveness of your observations, your paper will be graded on style, including organization, syntax, and professional presentation. Write concisely and precisely. Be sure to provide the *complete* bibliographic citations of the papers you review (use the same format for citations as one of the journals from which you take your material), and please append copies of the papers (they will be returned).

The best papers will be circulated to the class. You are urged to ask others, including classmates, to read your drafts and make suggestions. Your message should be understandable without reference to the original articles. I shall also ask some of you to present your findings in class.

If you wish to use material from other sources, please check with me by March 3. Avoid conference proceedings, which often contain hastily assembled and incomplete reports. I shall also be glad to comment on a draft if you get it to me at least two weeks before the due date, but this is optional.

Start now.

Have Professor Nagy sign your bibliography on or before Monday March 3.

DPP08 Term Papers
April 2008

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