Looking Back, Moving Forward

Computational Photography

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Today

• Beyond this class...

• ICES forms

• Reminder: final project
  – Reports due Monday Dec 17
  – Presentations on Tues 8am
    • 5 min each project, quick summary of approach + some results
    • Order decided on Tues – let me know if you can’t make the whole time
    • I’ll provide some kind of light breakfast (bagel, egg and cheese on asiago, or sausage egg and cheese?) + coffee
This course has provided fundamentals

• How photographs are captured from and relate to the 3D scene

• How to think of an image as: a signal to be processed, a graph to be searched, an equation to be solved

• How to manipulate photographs: cutting, growing, compositing, morphing, stitching

• Basic principles of computer vision: filtering, correspondence, alignment
What else is out there?

Lots!

• Videos and motion
• Scene understanding
• Modeling humans
• …
Video and motion

• Video = sequence of images
  – Track points → optical flow, tracked objects, 3D reconstruction
  – Look for changes → background subtraction
  – Find coherent space-time regions → segmentation

• Examples:
  – Point tracking
    • 2D3 / Boujou 1
  – “Motion Magnification” (Liu et al. 2005)
Scene understanding

Interpret image in terms of scene categories, objects, surfaces, interactions, goals, etc.

- Remove the guy lying down (Alyosha)
- Make the woman dance or the guy get up
- Fill in the window with bricks
- Find me images with only Alyosha and Piotro
Scene understanding

• Mostly unsolved, but what we have is still useful (and quickly getting better)

• Examples
  – “From Image Parsing to Painterly Rendering” (Zeng et al. 2010)
  – “Sketch2Photo: Internet Image Montage” (Chen et al. 2009)
Image Parsing to Painterly Rendering

Zeng et al. SIGGRAPH 2010
Image Parsing to Painterly Rendering

Parse

Brush Strokes

Sketch

Brush Orientations
Image Parsing to Painterly Rendering

Zeng et al. SIGGRAPH 2010
Image Parsing to Painterly Rendering
More examples

• Sketch2photo:  
  http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dW1Epl2LdFM

• Animating still photographs

Chen et al. 2009
Modeling humans

- Estimating pose and shape
- Motion capture
- Face transfer
- Crowd simulation
Questions, Looking Forward

• How can we get computers to understand scenes (make predictions, describe them, etc.)?

• How can we design programs where semi-smart computers and people collaborate?

• What if we just capture and store the whole visual world (think StreetView)?

• How will photography change if depth cameras become standard?
How can you learn more?

• Relevant courses
  – Production graphics (CS 419)
  – Machine learning (CS 446)
  – Computer vision (CS 543)
  – Optimization methods (w/ David Forsyth)
  – Parallel processing / GPU
  – HCI, data mining, NLP, robotics
Computer vision (w/ Lana Spring 2013)

Similar stuff to CP
• Camera models, filtering, single-view geometry, light and capture

New stuff
• Scene understanding
  – Object category recognition
  – Action/activity recognition
  – Edge detection, clustering, segmentation
• Videos
  – Tracking, optical flow
  – Structure from motion
• Multi-view geometry
How do you learn more?

Explore!
Thank you!