

Image Formation

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3D Computer Vision and Video Computing

Lecture Outline

- Image Formation Basic Steps
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 - Pinhole camera model & Thin lens model
 - Perspective projection & Fundamental equation
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Abstract Image

- An image can be represented by an image function whose general form is **f**(**x**,**y**).
- f(x,y) is a vector-valued function whose arguments represent a pixel location.
- The value of **f(x,y)** can have different interpretations in different kinds of images.

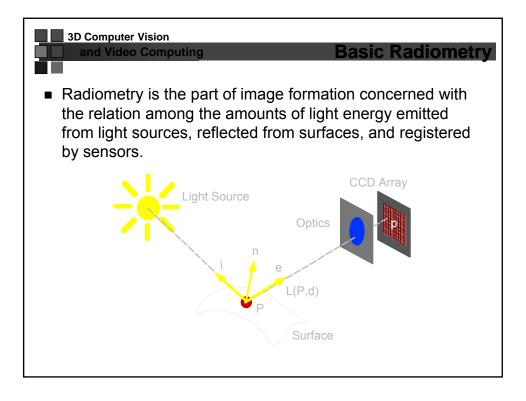
Examples

Intensity Image -f(x,y) = intensity of the scene Range Image -f(x,y) = depth of the scene from

f(x,y) = depth of the scene from imaging system

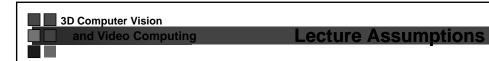
Color Image $- f(x,y) = \{f_r(x,y), f_g(x,y), f_b(x,y)\}$

Video - f(x,y,t) = temporal image sequence



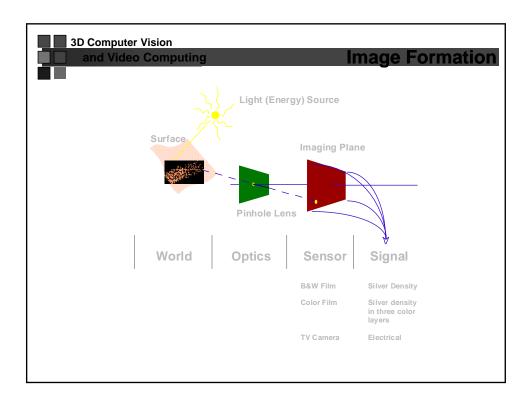


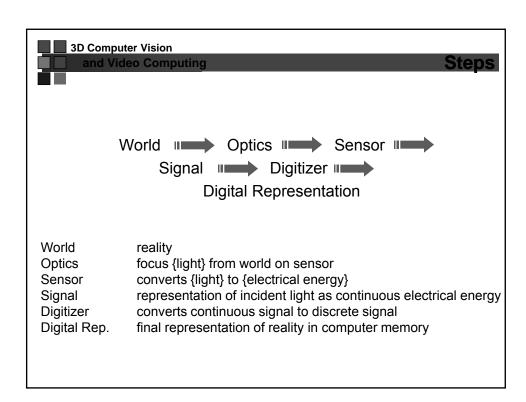
- The interaction between light and matter can take many forms:
 - Reflection
 - Refraction
 - Diffraction
 - Absorption
 - Scattering



- Typical imaging scenario:
 - visible light
 - ideal lenses
 - standard sensor (e.g. TV camera)
 - opaque objects
- Goal

To create 'digital' images which can be processed to recover some of the characteristics of the 3D world which was imaged.







- Geometry
 - concerned with the relationship between points in the three-dimensional world and their images
- Radiometry
 - concerned with the relationship between the amount of light radiating from a surface and the amount incident at its image
- Photometry
 - concerned with ways of measuring the intensity of light
- Digitization
 - concerned with ways of converting continuous signals (in both space and time) to digital approximations



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Geometry

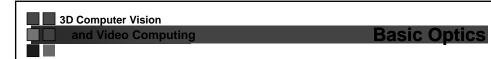
Geometry describes the projection of:

three-dimensional (3D) world



two-dimensional (2D) image plane.

- Typical Assumptions
 - Light travels in a straight line
- Optical Axis: the axis perpendicular to the image plane and passing through the pinhole (also called the central projection ray)
- Each point in the image corresponds to a particular direction defined by a **ray** from that point through the pinhole.
- Various kinds of projections:
 - - perspective oblique
 - - orthographic isometric
 - · spherical



- Two models are commonly used:
 - Pin-hole camera
 - Optical system composed of lenses
- Pin-hole is the basis for most graphics and vision
 - Derived from physical construction of early cameras
 - Mathematics is very straightforward
- Thin lens model is first of the lens models
 - Mathematical model for a physical lens
 - Lens gathers light over area and focuses on image plane.

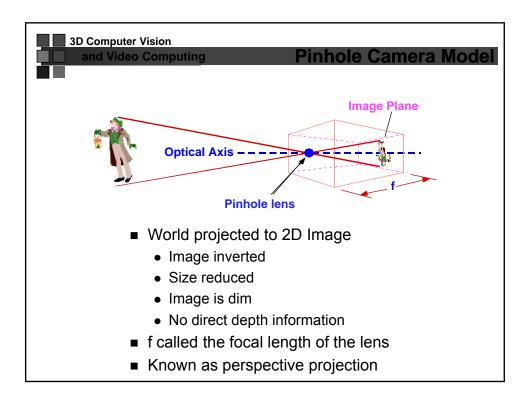


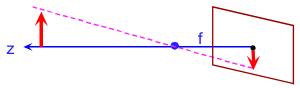




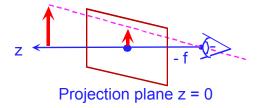
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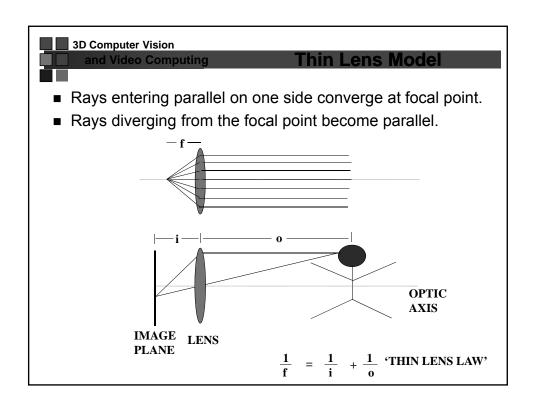
■ Consider case with object on the optical axis:

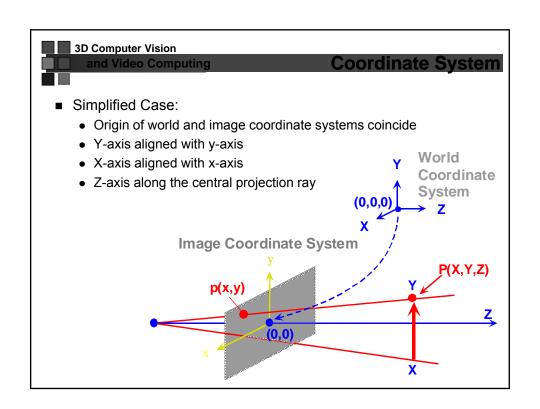


■ More convenient with upright image:



■ Equivalent mathematically

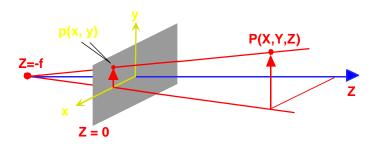




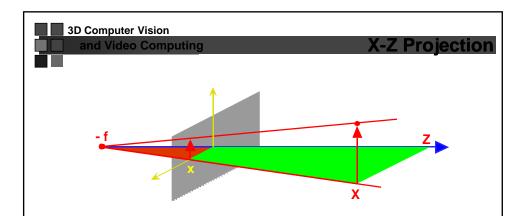
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Perspective Projection

■ Compute the image coordinates of p in terms of the world coordinates of P.

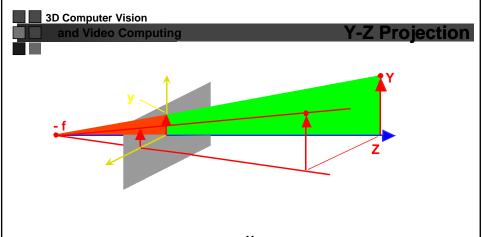


■ Look at projections in x-z and y-z planes



■ By similar triangles: $\frac{x}{f} = \frac{X}{Z+f}$

$$x = \frac{fX}{Z+f}$$



■ By similar triangles: $\frac{y}{f} = \frac{Y}{Z+f}$

$$y = \frac{fY}{Z+f}$$



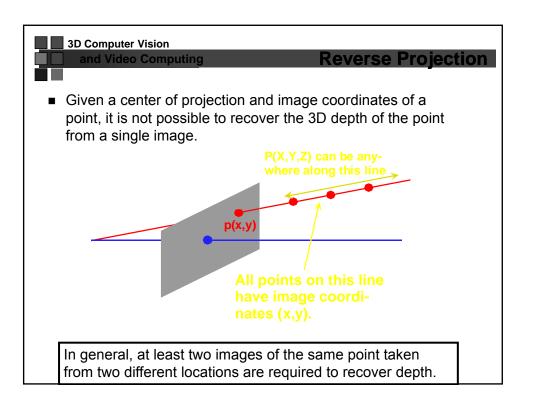
- Given point P(X,Y,Z) in the 3D world
- The two equations:

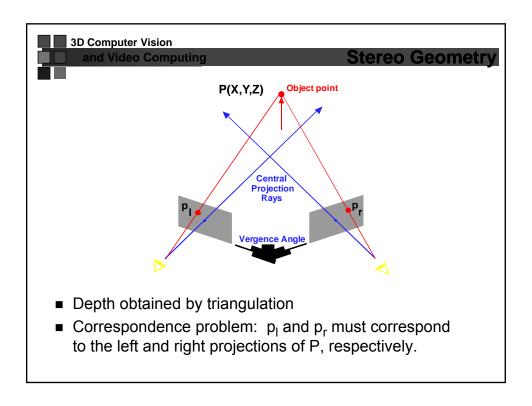
$$x = \frac{fX}{Z+f}$$
 $y = \frac{fY}{Z+f}$

■ transform world coordinates (X,Y,Z)

into image coordinates (x,y)

- Question:
 - What is the equation if we select the origin of both coordinate systems at the nodal point?





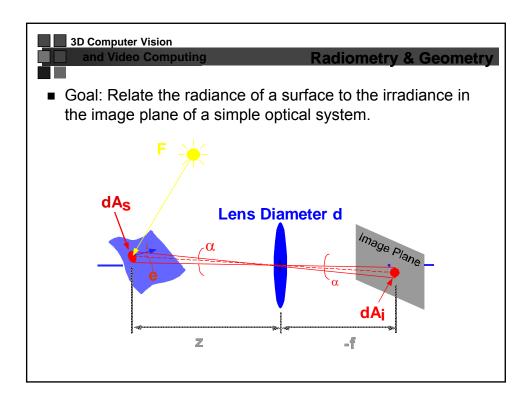


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Radiometry

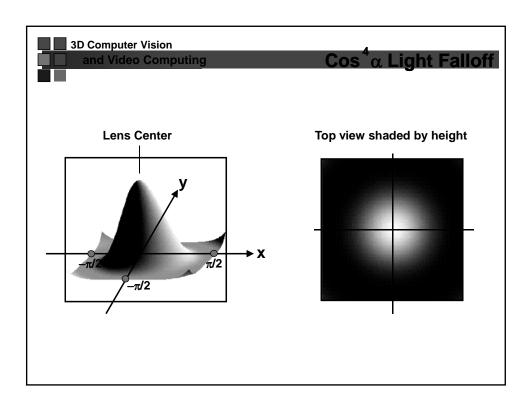
- Image: two-dimensional array of 'brightness' values.
- Geometry: where in an image a point will project.
- Radiometry: what the brightness of the point will be.
 - Brightness: informal notion used to describe both scene and image brightness.
 - Image brightness: related to energy flux incident on the image plane: => IRRADIANCE
 - Scene brightness: brightness related to energy flux emitted (radiated) from a surface: => RADIANCE





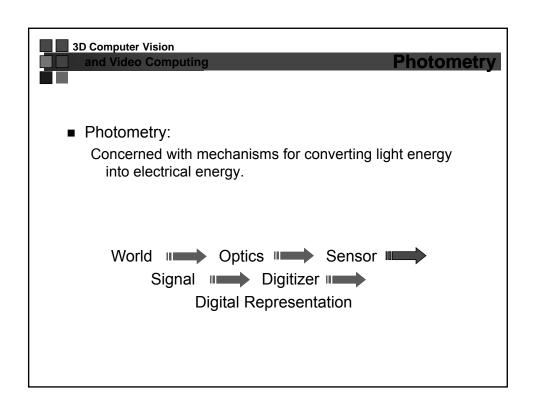
$$E_{i} = L_{s} \frac{\pi}{4} \left[\frac{d}{-f} \right]^{2} \cos^{4} \alpha$$

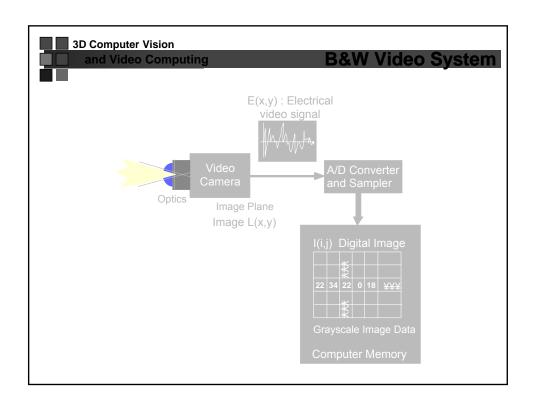
- Image irradiance is proportional to:
 - Scene radiance Ls
 - Focal length of lens f
 - Diameter of lens d
 - f/d is often called the **f-number** of the lens
 - $\bullet \text{ Off-axis angle } \alpha \\$

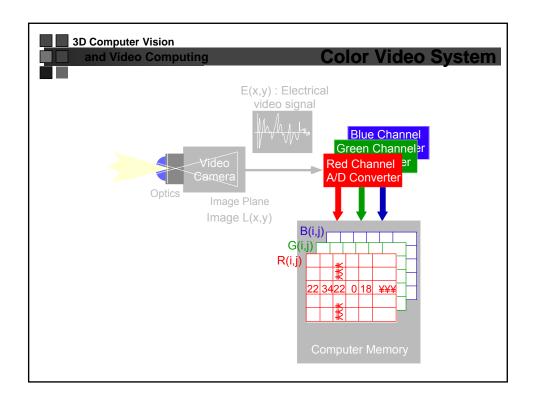


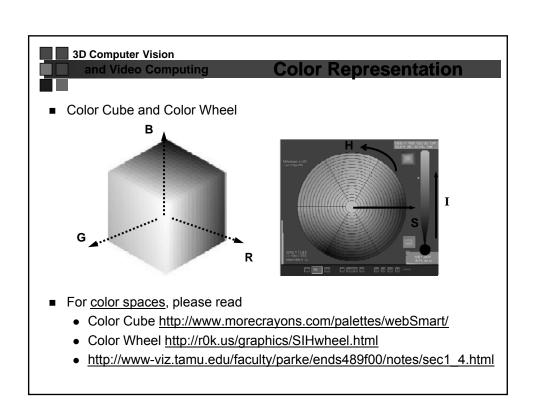


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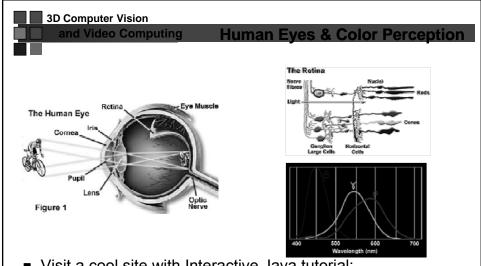






Digital Color Cameras

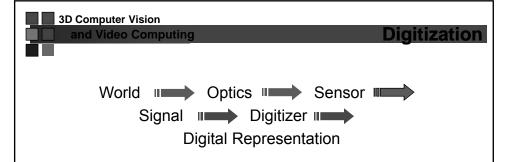
- Three CCD-chips cameras
 - R, G, B separately, AND digital signals instead analog video
- One CCD Cameras
 - Bayer color filter array
 - http://www.siliconimaging.com/RGB%20Bayer.htm



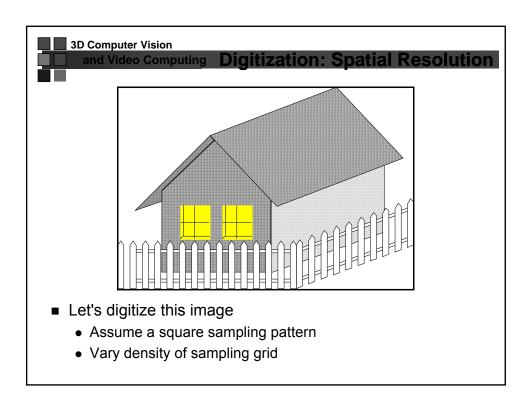
- Visit a cool site with Interactive Java tutorial:
 - Human Vision and Color Perception
- Another site about human color perception:
 - Color Vision

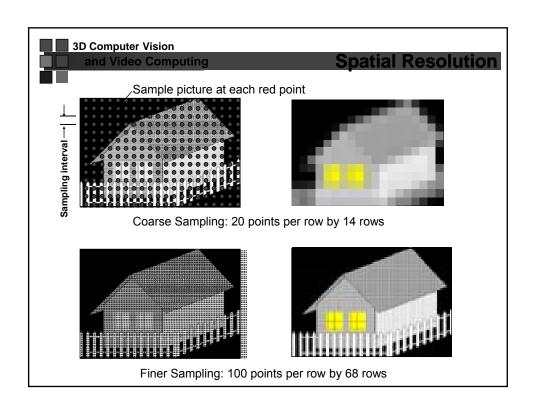


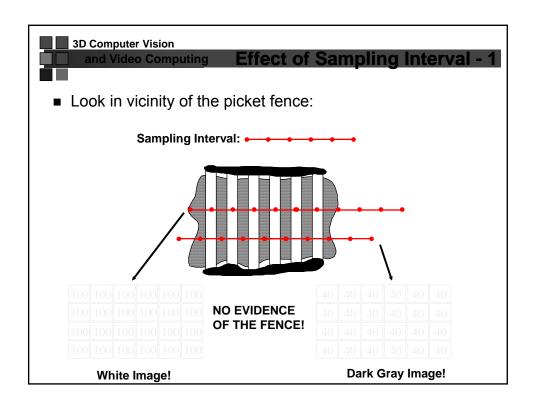
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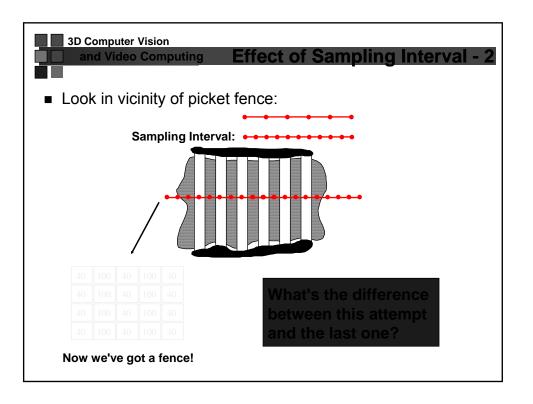


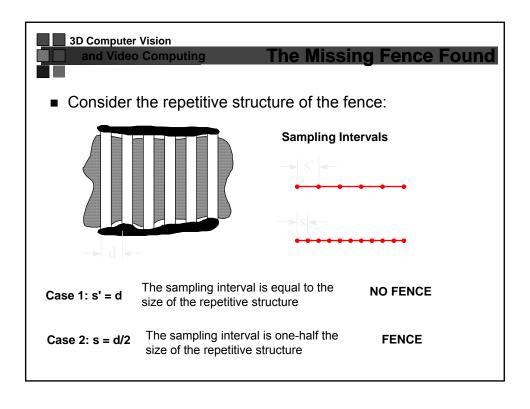
- Digitization: conversion of the continuous (in space and value) electrical signal into a digital signal (digital image)
- Three decisions must be made:
 - Spatial resolution (how many samples to take)
 - Signal resolution (dynamic range of values- quantization)
 - Tessellation pattern (how to 'cover' the image with sample points)





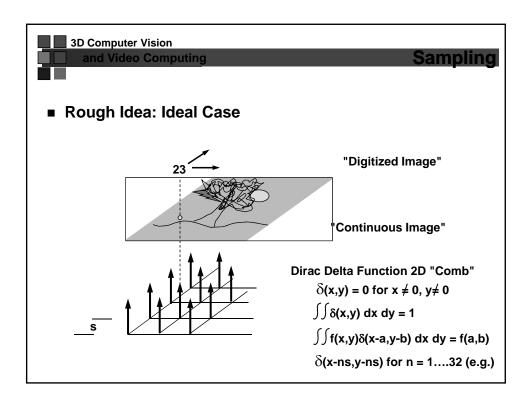


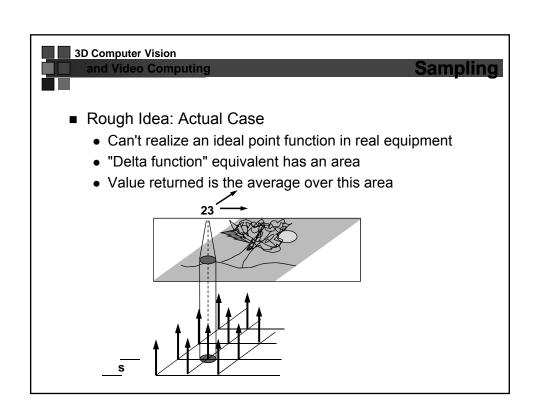




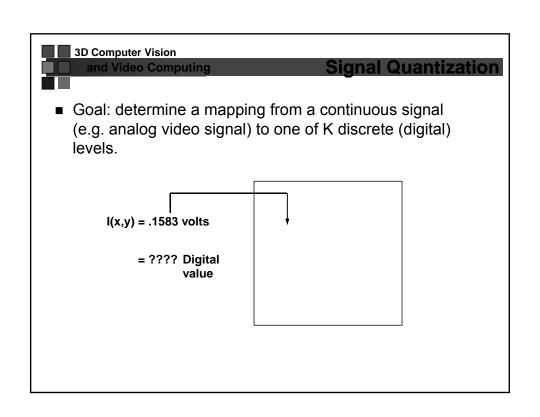


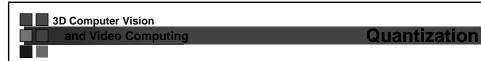
- IF: the size of the smallest structure to be preserved is d
- THEN: the sampling interval must be smaller than d/2
- Can be shown to be true mathematically
- Repetitive structure has a certain frequency
 - To preserve structure must sample at twice the frequency
 - Holds for images, audio CDs, digital television....
- Leads naturally to Fourier Analysis (optional)







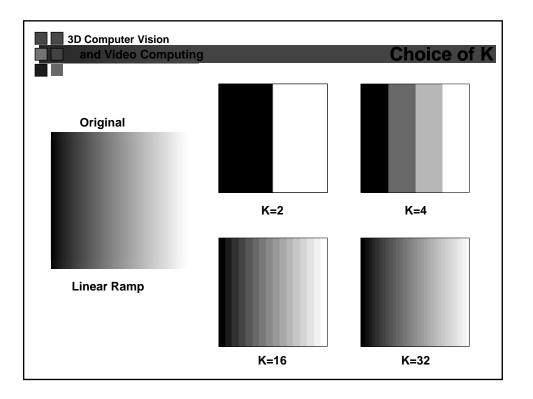


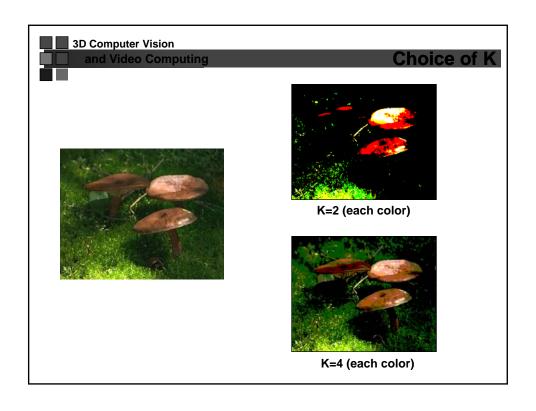


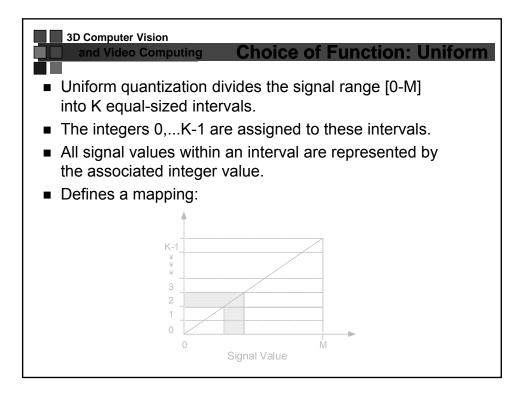
- $I(x,y) = continuous signal: 0 \le I \le M$
- Want to quantize to K values 0,1,....K-1
- K usually chosen to be a power of 2:

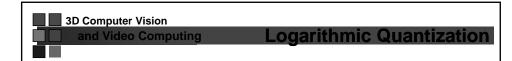
K	#Levels	#Bits
2	2	1
4	4	2
8	8	3
16	16	4
32	32	5
64	64	6
128	128	7
256	256	8

- Mapping from input signal to output signal is to be determined.
- Several types of mappings: uniform, logarithmic, etc.



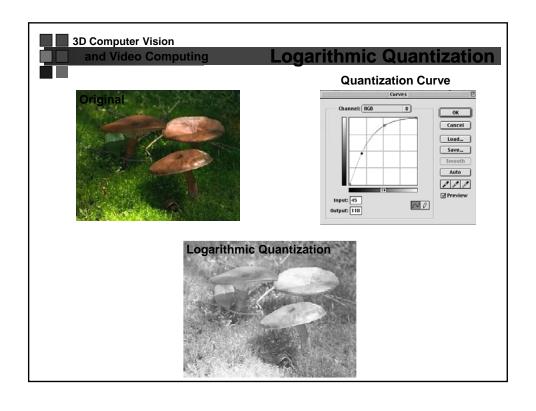


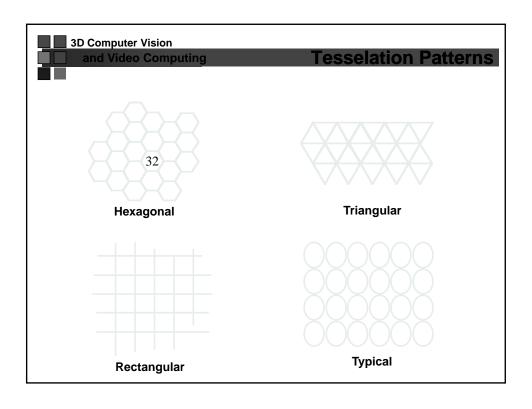




- Signal is log I(x,y).
- Effect is:

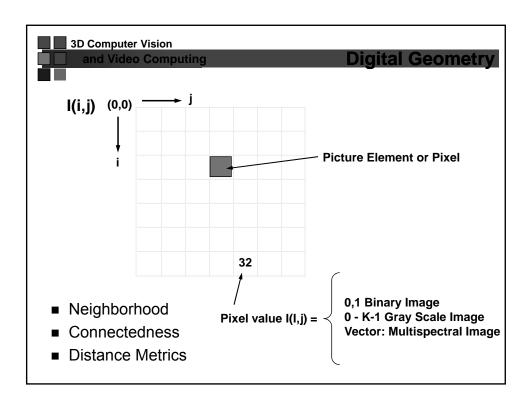
■ Detail enhanced in the low signal values at expense of detail in high signal values.

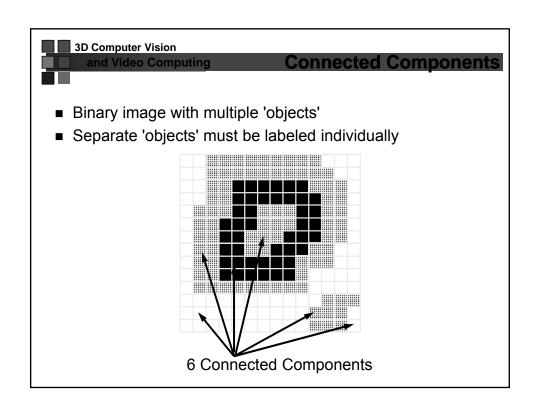






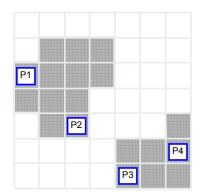
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■ Two points in an image are 'connected' if a path can be found for which the value of the image function is the same all along the path.



- P₁ connected to P₂
- P_3 connected to P_4
- P_1 not connected to P_3 or P_4
- P_2 not connected to P_3 or P_4
- P_3 not connected to P_1 or P_2
- P_4 not connected to P_1 or P_2



Algorithm

- Pick any pixel in the image and assign it a label
- Assign same label to any neighbor pixel with the same value of the image function
- Continue labeling neighbors until no neighbors can be assigned this label
- Choose another label and another pixel not already labeled and continue
- If no more unlabeled image points, stop.

Who's my neighbor?

