

The background features several large, thick, curved lines in purple, green, and blue. Scattered around these lines are numerous small, yellow, triangular shapes, some pointing towards the center and others away from it, creating a dynamic, abstract pattern.

Visual Computing

CS 211A



The Course

- Introductory Graphics, Vision and Image Processing course
- Prerequisite for Advanced Graphics and Vision courses
- Visual Computing concentration



Course Format

- Lecture Format
 - Text Book: Intro to Visual Computing by Majumder and Gopi
- 4 Programming Assignments (2 people group)
 - Image Proc, DFT, Vision, Graphics
- **Midterm**
 - **6 Nov, 7:30pm-8:50pm**
- **Final**
 - **11 Dec, 7-9pm**
- Schedule is online



Grading

- Do not worry about grades
- Learning is the priority
- Tentative Policy
 - Programming Assignment – 30%
 - Midterm – 25%
 - Final – 40%
 - Pop Quiz – 5%
 - Every Wednesday beginning of class



Support

- Instructor Office Hours
 - Wed – 4:30-5:30pm
- Teaching Assistant: Ali Rostami
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 - Two office hours
 - Will open a Piazza link and let you know



Course Motivation

- What is Visual Computing?
 - Use of computing to perform the functions of the human visual system
- Traverses within several traditional domains
 - Computer Vision
 - Computer Graphics
 - Image Processing
- Addresses converging domains



Course Organization

- Image-based visual computing
- Geometric visual computing
- Radiometric visual computing
- Visual content synthesis

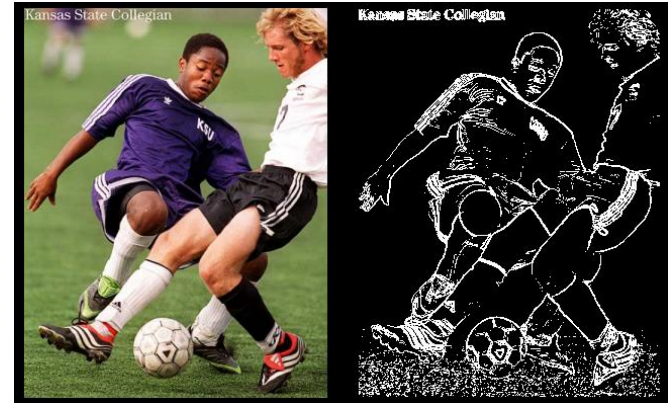


Course Organization

- Image-based visual computing
 - Low level vision in eye
- Geometric visual computing
 - Higher level vision
 - Combining information from two eyes
- Radiometric visual computing
 - Processing light and object interaction
- Visual content synthesis
 - Synthesize realistic 3D worlds

Image Based Visual Computing

- Detecting features
- Background removal
- Image Segmentation



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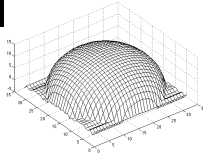
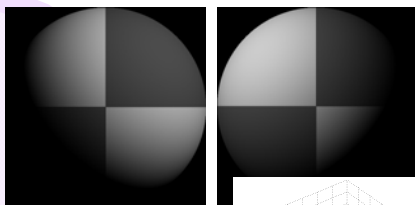
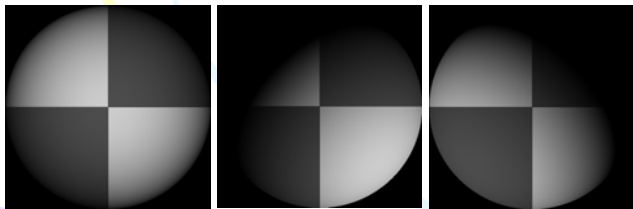


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Geometric Visual Computing

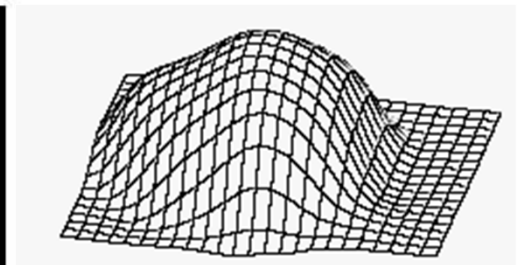
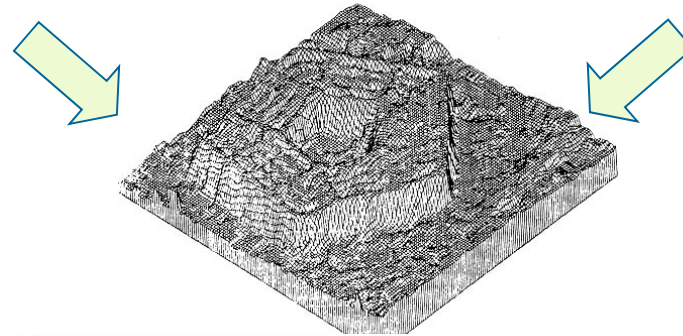
- Detecting shapes
 - Binocular cues
 - Shading cues
 - Texture Cues
 - Motion Cues



Left Eye



Right Eye



Radiometric Visual Computing

- High dynamic range imaging



Sky
oversaturated



Ground
undersaturated



HDR
image

- Perceiving reflectances



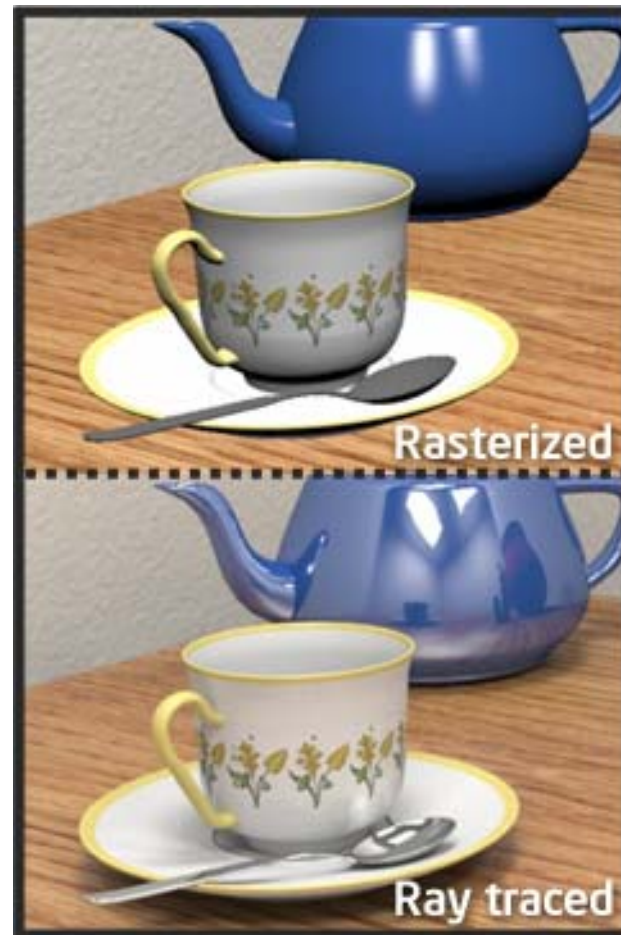
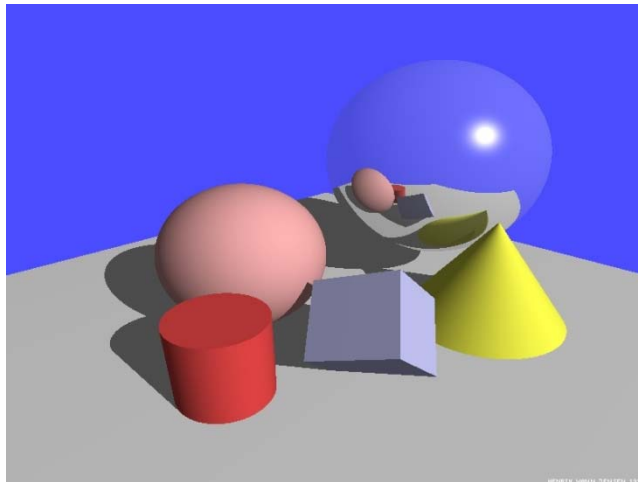
Visual Content Synthesis

- Can we reverse engineer?
 - Fool the eye? (e.g. Perfect Storm)
- Effects
 - Geometry
 - Lighting
 - Material
 - Motion
 - Trade off between time and quality

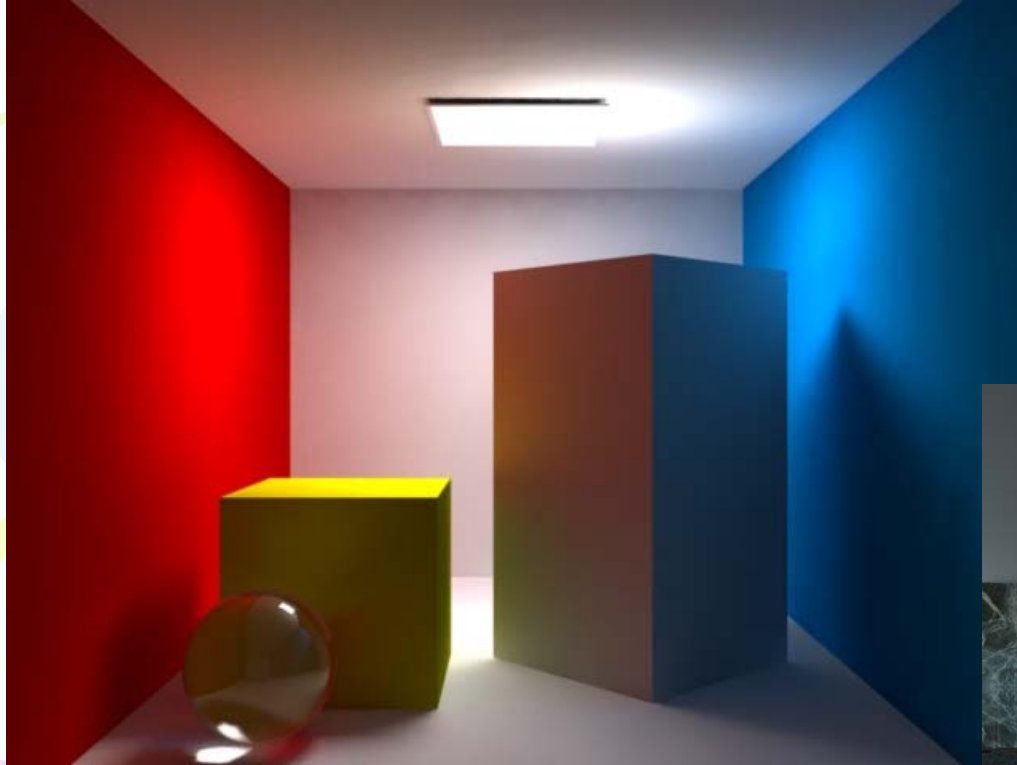
Bump and Environment Map



With more time...



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RENDERED USING DALI - HENRIK MANN JENSEN 2000

Materials: Subsurface Scattering



RENDERED BY HENRIK WANN JENSEN - 2001

Materials: Translucency



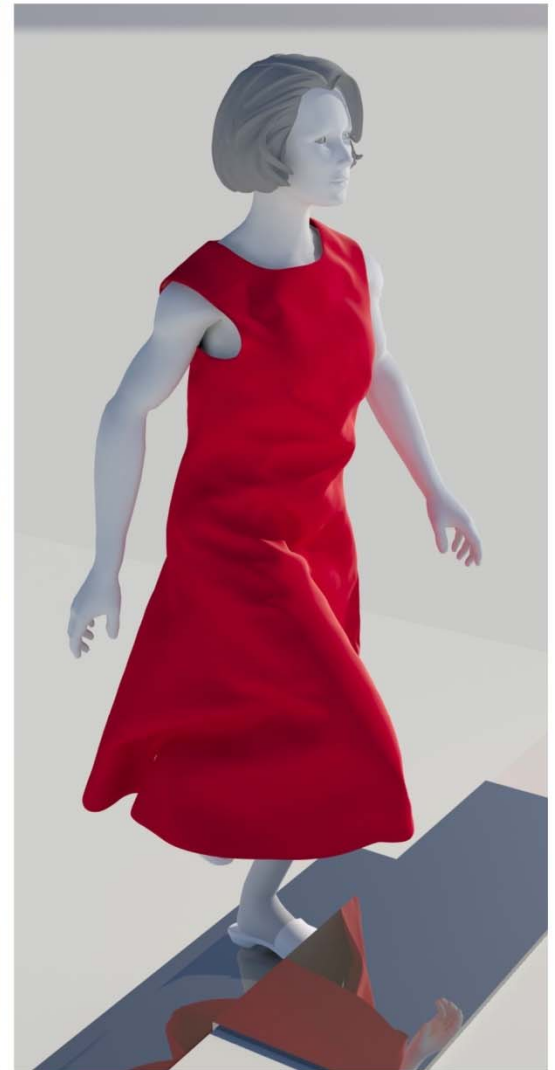
Different levels of subsurface scattering (increasing from left to right) on Venus

Merge real and synthetic



Show Fiat Lux

Simulation



Non Photorealistic Rendering



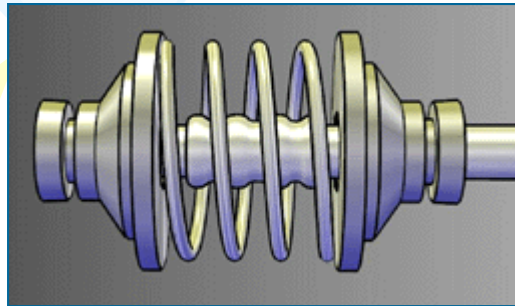
Photorealistic



Painterly Rendering



Pen and Ink



Illustrations



Painterly Rendering



Engraving



Fur and
Grass



Dithering



This class

- We will NOT learn ALL of these
- Provide you with the fundamentals so that you can learn all of these