

1. Introduction

1.1 Machine Vision

Model of the real world from images

3D information to 2D projection

Recovering 3D information needs many to one mapping

Applications; medical images - diagnosis

measurement of a area

quality control

mobile robot guide - road map : stereo pair , 3D range

satellite image analysis - forecasting, global change

1.2 Relationships to other fields

Image processing; transform image to another image, used in early stage

Computer graphics; synthesis of image, machine vision is the analysis of image

Pattern recognition; important role in machine vision

Artificial intelligence; perception, cognition, action

Psychophysics; human vision

vision = geometry + measurement + interpretation

1.3 Role of Knowledge

Maximize automatic operation at each stage

1.4 Hardware

Camera:

Vidicon, CCD

CCD(Charge Coupled Device):

γ parameter

$$\gamma = \log(I/I_w) / \log(E/E_w)$$

I_w ; signal reference, E_w ; illumination reference

RS-170 Standard Specification

RS-170 Composite Video Signal

Frame

Field

2:1 Interlace

Non-Interlace

Camera system connection;

Image Processing Board

Frame Grabber

synchronization

A/D Converter

Look Up Table

Memory

Processor; ALU, DSP

1.4 Image Geometry

- (1) Geometry of image formation
- (2) Physics of light; brightness to illumination/surface property

pin hole camera

line of sight; point of interest to the center of projection
image plane; focal length behind projection center

1.4.1 Perspective Projection

$$x' = \frac{f}{z} x$$
$$y' = \frac{f}{z} y$$

1.4.2 Coordinate System

World Coordinate ; (x_w, y_w, z_w)

Camera Coordinate; (x_c, y_c, z_c)

1.5 Sampling and Quantization

Sampling; spatial digitization

Quantization ; gray level digitization \rightarrow gray level

pixel; one sample point

1.6 Image definitions

assume; origin of image plane coord. = center of array
for $m \times n$ image

$$x = j - \frac{m-1}{2}$$
$$y = -\left(j - \frac{n-1}{2}\right)$$

assume; image pixel is square
center of pixel

calibration; different x- y- spacing
lens distortion
camera mechanical error ; CCD align, lens align etc.

1.7 Levels of Computation

input ; image
output ; symbolic quantities-location, identity

1.7.1 Point level

$$f_B[i, j] = O_{point} \{f_A[i, j]\}$$

1.7.2 Local level

$$f_B[i, j] = O_{local} \{f_A[i_k, j_l]; [i_k, j_l] \in \mathcal{N}[i, j]\}$$

1.7.3 Global level

$$P = O_{global} \{f[i, j]\}$$

1.7.4 Object level

catch-22
figure-ground problem; foreground from background