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ELEC 1020

Media Production: Technology and Design
Lecture 2

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Last lectures

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ELEC1020 for your future career

More than just an electronic or software engineer...

- Apps or software UI designer
- web-based and mobile gaming developer
- video producer and media engineer
- sound engineer
- theater effect engineer
- performance/stage effect engineer
- cyber-physical actors or artists!



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Assessment Scheme

(some adjustment to be finalized in this week)

1. In-class activities:
analyzing and evaluating various digital media will be conducted in 6-8 of the lectures 10%
2. Labs:
8 labs with various hand-on learning experiences 30%
3. One-page mid-term exam:
open notes, open books, open everything 10%
4. Individual mid-term project:
apply what learnt before mid-term period to produce some interactive media for some business or organizational or personal purposes 25%
5. Group final project:
A digital video promoting selected business messages or social values for a profit/non profit-organization 25%

Last lectures

What's Media? Is it...



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Design Principles

Maximize the marketing impacts

A piece of
marketing message
from a company, individual
or charity

The multimedia
marketing thing
you designed

The *perceived message*
by a group of audience

Is the perceived message

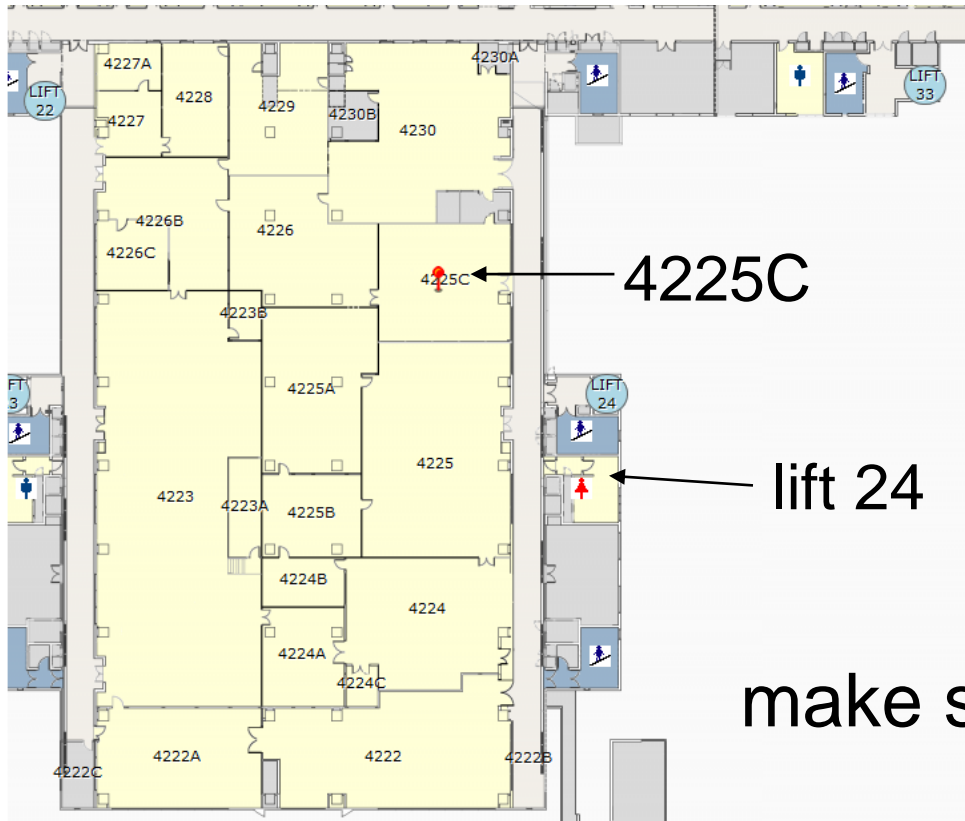
1. correct?
2. clear and complete?
3. reaching the right group of audience?
4. covering enough audience?
5. sticky to the audience (i.e., people get impressed and remember)?

→ The more 'Yes' above, the audience have more perceived impacts.

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Announcement – 1

- Lab 1 starts this week @ 4225C



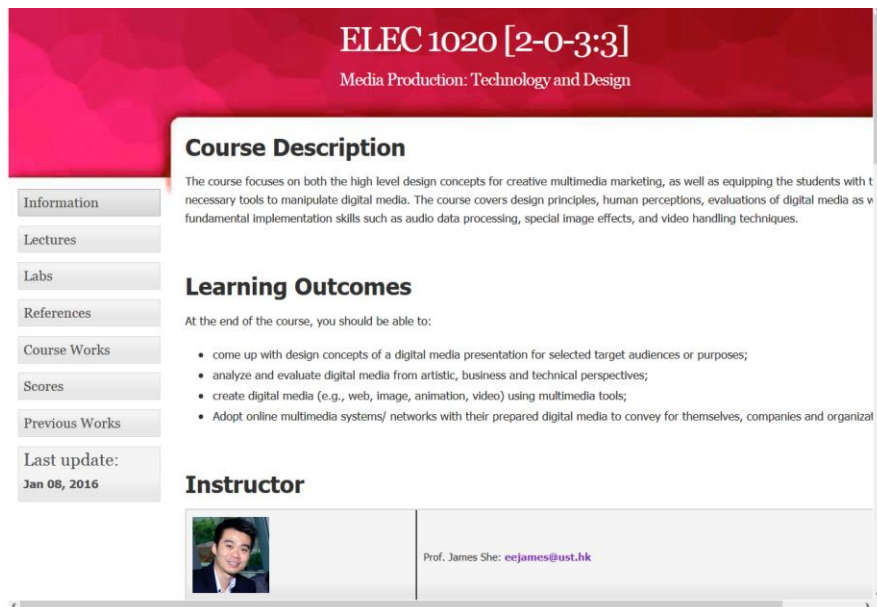
make sure you know the way

Announcement – 2

In case you have just registered:

course website: <http://course.ee.ust.hk/elec1020>

course Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/2016springelec1020>



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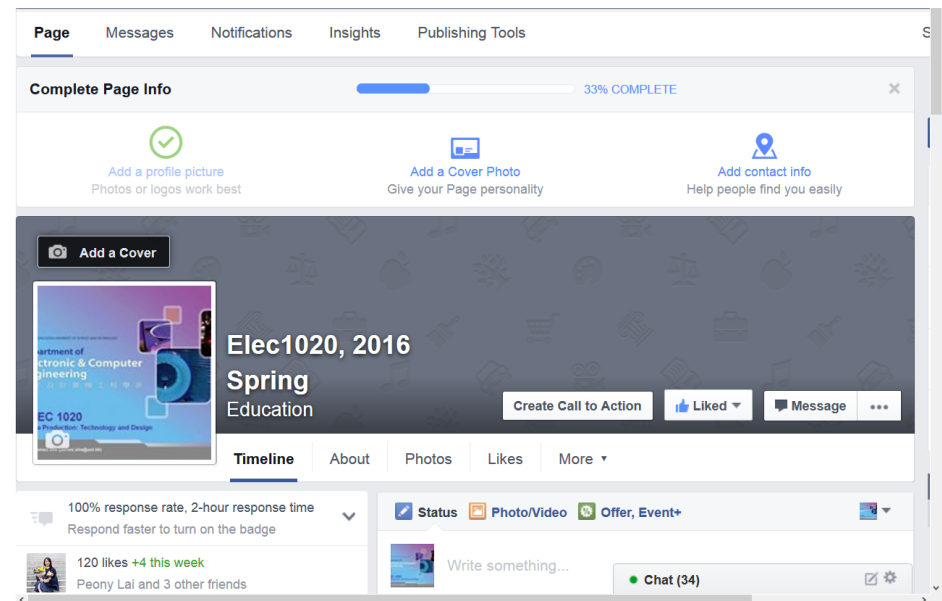
Course Description
The course focuses on both the high level design concepts for creative multimedia marketing, as well as equipping the students with the necessary tools to manipulate digital media. The course covers design principles, human perceptions, evaluations of digital media as well as fundamental implementation skills such as audio data processing, special image effects, and video handling techniques.

Learning Outcomes
At the end of the course, you should be able to:

- come up with design concepts of a digital media presentation for selected target audiences or purposes;
- analyze and evaluate digital media from artistic, business and technical perspectives;
- create digital media (e.g., web, image, animation, video) using multimedia tools;
- Adopt online multimedia systems/ networks with their prepared digital media to convey for themselves, companies and organizations.

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Information
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Last update: Jan 08, 2016



Page Messages Notifications Insights Publishing Tools

Complete Page Info 33% COMPLETE

Add a profile picture
Photos or logos work best

Add a Cover Photo
Give your Page personality

Add contact info
Help people find you easily

Add a Cover

Elec1020, 2016 Spring Education

Create Call to Action Liked Message

Timeline About Photos Likes More

100% response rate, 2-hour response time
Respond faster to turn on the badge

120 likes +4 this week
Peony Lai and 3 other friends

Status Photo/Video Offer, Event+

Write something...

Chat (34)

Announcement – 3 (Next Lecture)

Guest Speaker:

- Carmen Ng, Creative Lead @ JM Network

Topics:

- Difference between Design and Art
- Outdoor Media Advertising



In-class Activity: What's Media?, suggested answer



Medium

1. wooden board
2. furniture
3. metal frame and pole

Content

1. IKEA
2. JOY
3. Decorate for the holidays
4. Or any reasonable Messages you perceived

**Outdoor Billboard
Media**

What's Media? Content and Medium

An example



Digital Billboard Network

Medium

1. Digital display
2. Wireless access
3. Metal frame and pole

Content

1. REMAX
2. Sales Performance
3. The slogan, "Nobody..."

Coming Lab. 1

Similar to billboard ad., but an online ad. banner



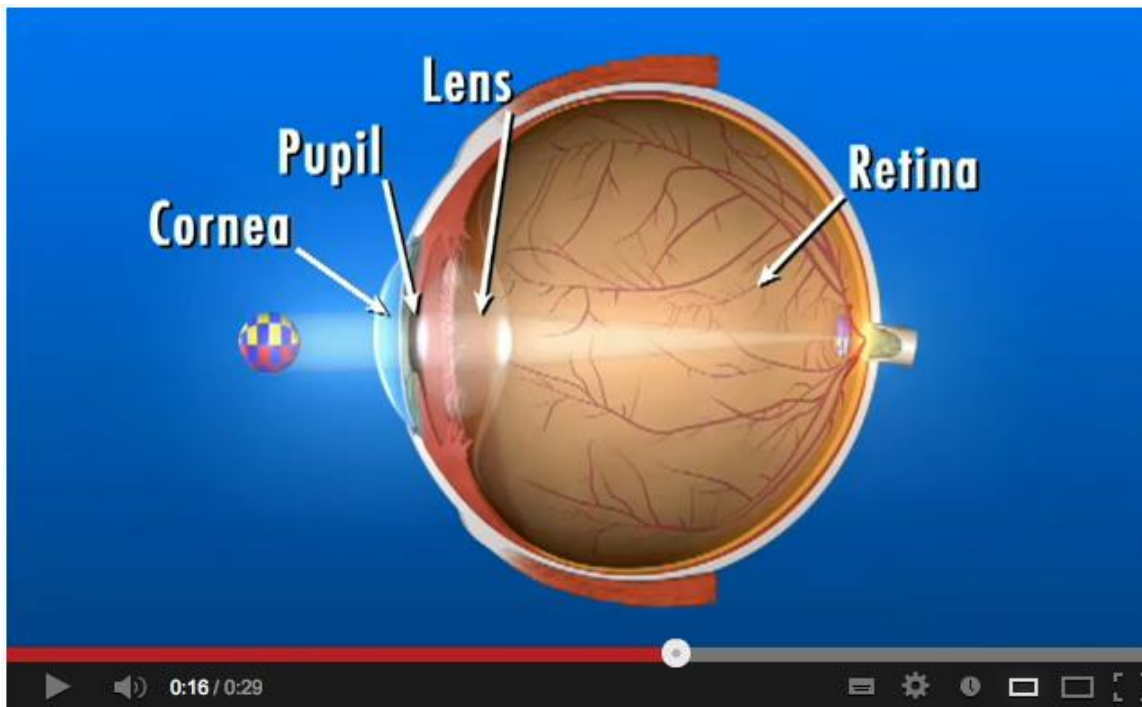
1. Your TA will tell your session to work on one of these
2. Targetted audiences and messages will be provided.
(Recall Design Principles)

Outcomes from this lecture

1. Vision and digital image
2. Digital Image Processing
3. Color Representations

How does your eye works?

All about lights intensity...



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LpjbOhtcD0A&list=PL03E688C1696F94F4&index=11>

Image Representation

Analog (physical) form

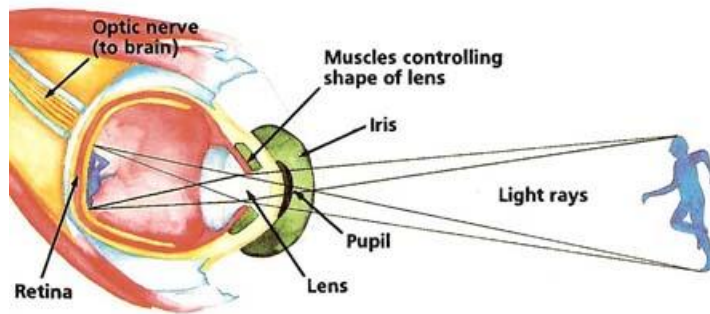


- *Intensity of light reflected on painting, photograph, film-based negative, etc.*



Given a digital display

How we could see an image like the analog (physical) form?



Digital Image Representation

Simulating the physicals

Amplitude domain: the light intensity at a spatial location represented by a number

Spatial domain: a sequence of numbers recorded to represent light intensity at a grid of spatial locations (i.e., pixels on a display)



0	12	100
0	86	255
100	28	255



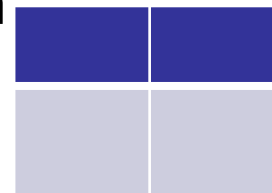
Pixel -
The basic unit that form an image on a display

0	12	100
0	86	255
100	28	255

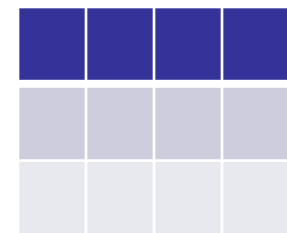
Pixel

The basic unit of an image

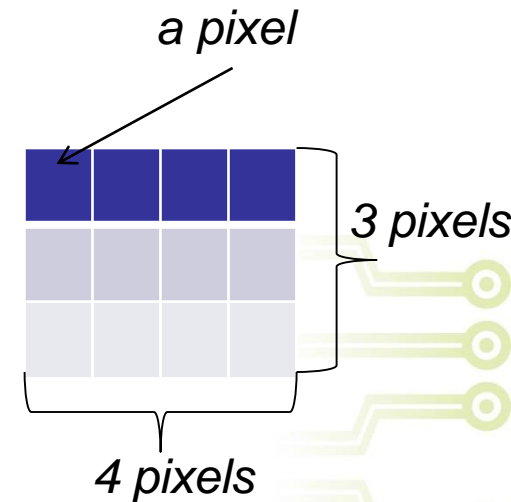
- Any digital image on a display is represented by a set of pixels
- Pixel not necessary to be a square;
Image not necessary to be regular shape
- Number of pixels in a given size of image
or display defining resolution



vs.



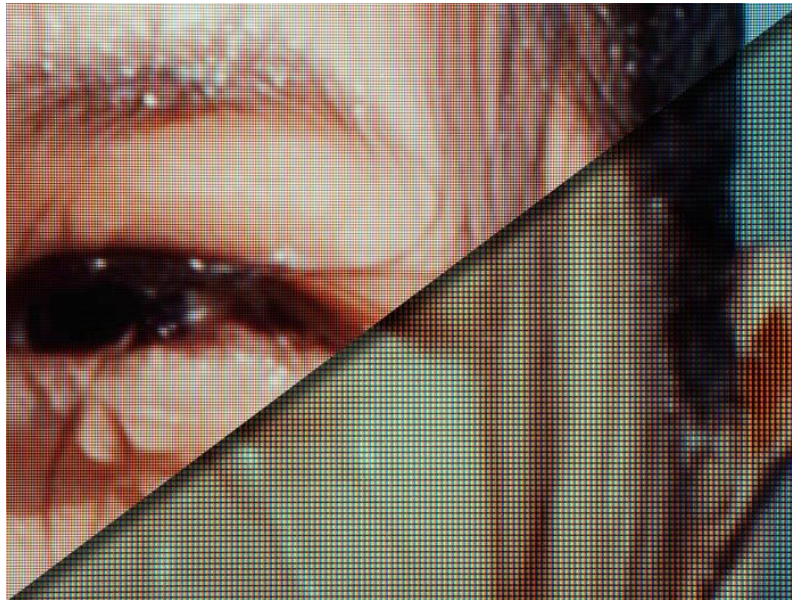
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Pixel vs Resolution

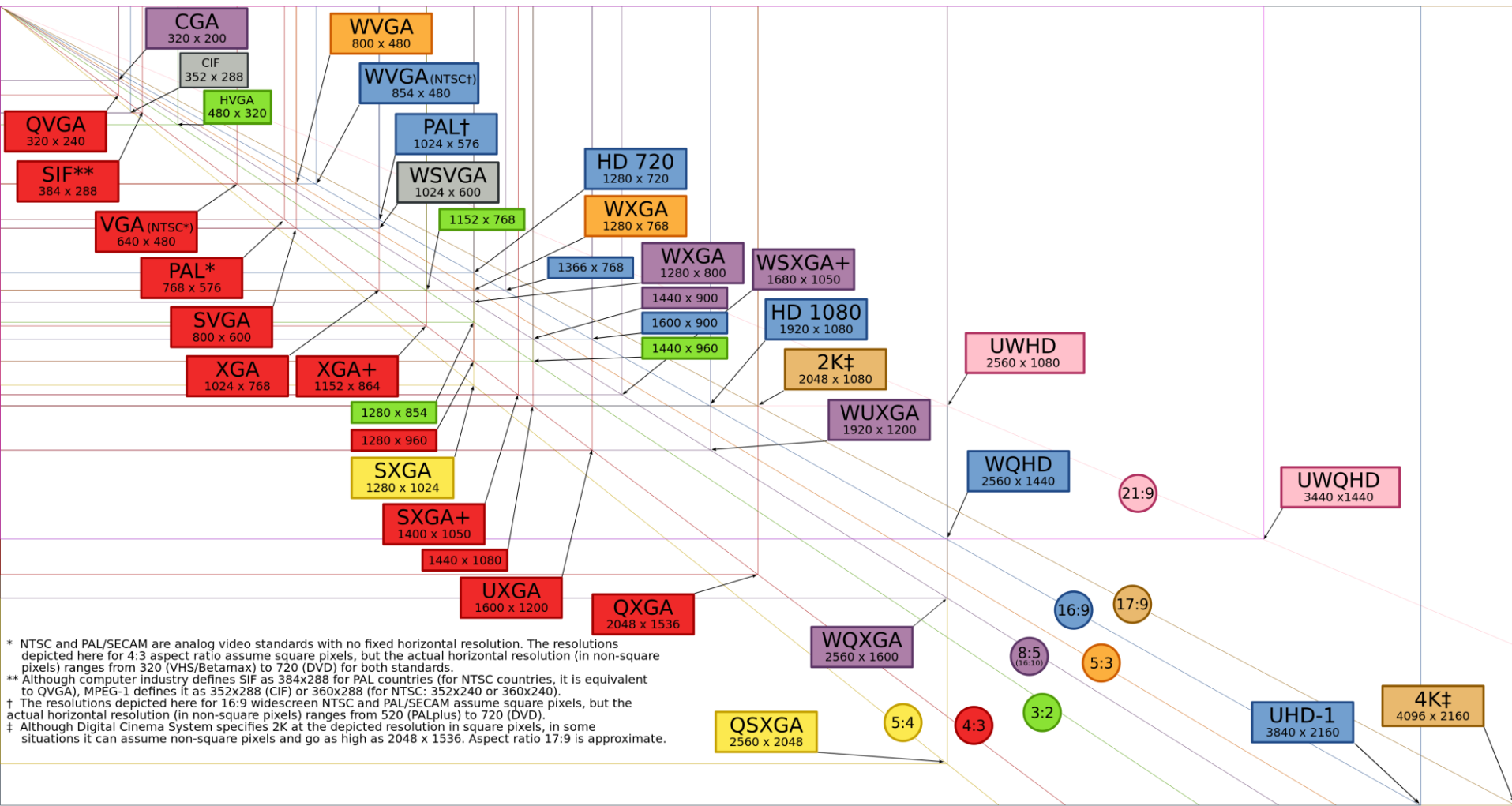
Given a display area

iPad 3



iPad 2

Resolutions & Pixels



Resolution of an image

More the better on the same size

lowest resolution



highest resolution

Resolution of an image

More the better on the same size

lower resolution



higher resolution



Can you tell the differences from a distance?

Full High Definition (1920 x 1080)



Pixel (for B/W or gray-scale image)

Define a pixel by light intensity (through # of bits)

A pixel can be represented a simple value of light intensity:

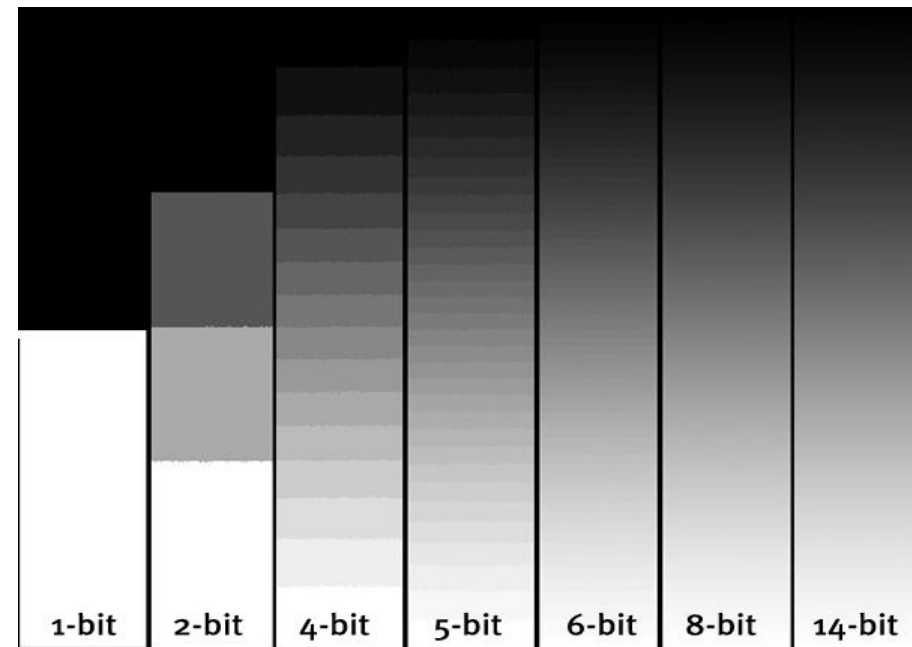
1 bit: "0"=black, "1"=white;

8 bits: "0"=black, "255"=white;

Differences between using?

- 1) 2-bit and 8-bit per pixel
- 2) 8-bit and 14-bit per pixel

- Which case is worth putting 6 additional bits?
- When to invest more bits on a pixel to enrich the digital representation of an image?

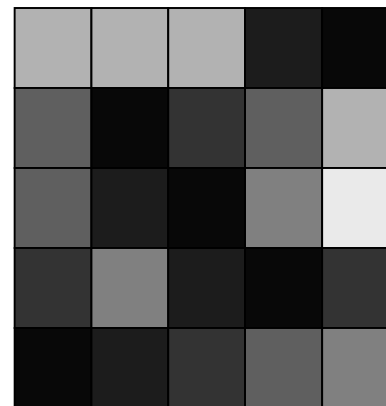


Bitmap - 1

Bitmap representation (Gray-scale)

- An image is formed by pixels
- Some computer memory is allocated to each pixel to store the intensity of that pixel
- e.g., 3-bit gray scale bitmap representation (how many level?)

6	6	6	2	1
4	1	3	4	6
4	2	1	5	7
3	5	2	1	3
1	2	3	4	5



- Painting tools using bitmap: Photoshop, Microsoft Paint, ...

Bitmap - 2

Gray scale image

- Common natural images: 8 bits
- e.g., 8 bit, “0”=black, “255”=white



- Medical images: 12 bits



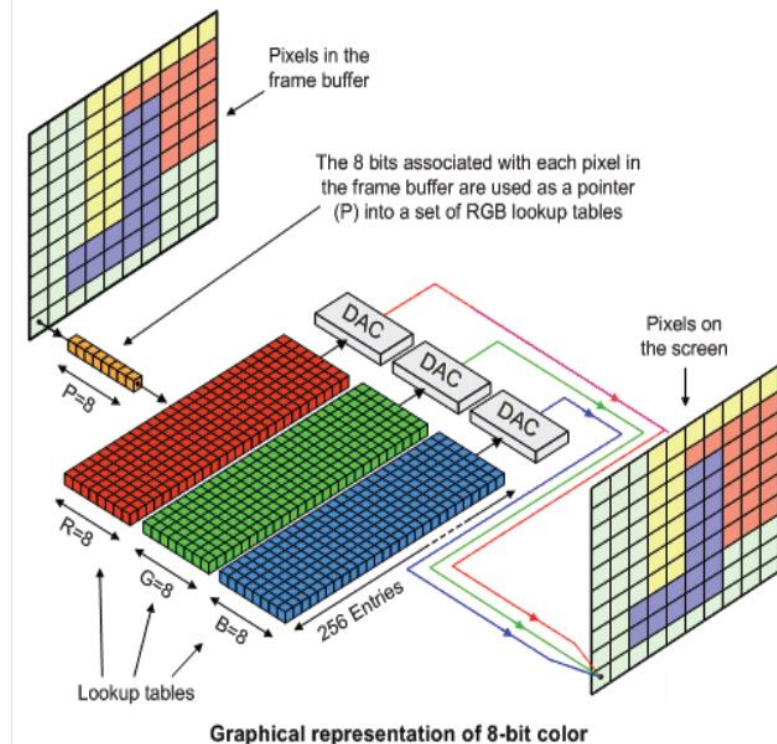
- Adjacent pixels are typically similar, except across edges and in texture regions

Bitmap - 3

Bitmap representation (color)

For each pixel:

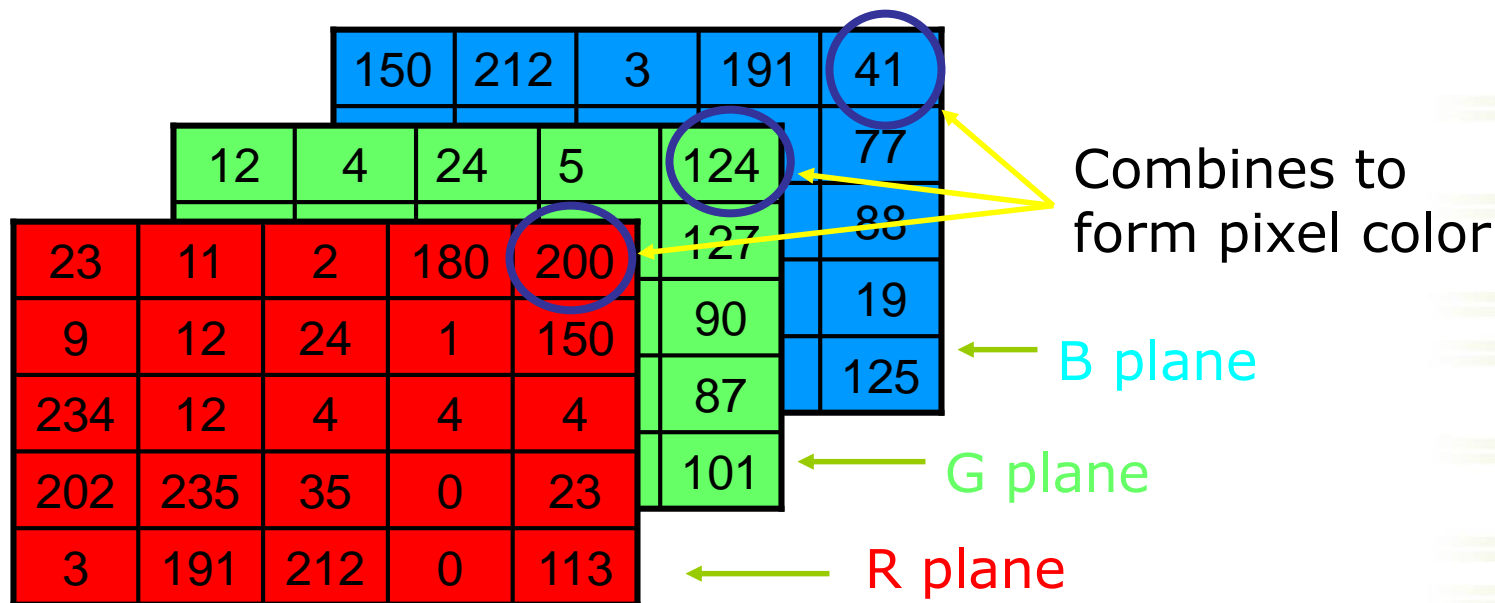
- 3 primary colors: red, green, blue
- 3 color values (3 memory allocations)
- 8 bits for each color value
 - 24 bits or 3 bytes per pixel
 - $256 \times 256 \times 256 \rightarrow 16,777,216$ different colors



Bitmap - 4

24-bit RGB bitmap image

- Each color component forms a plane
- e.g.,

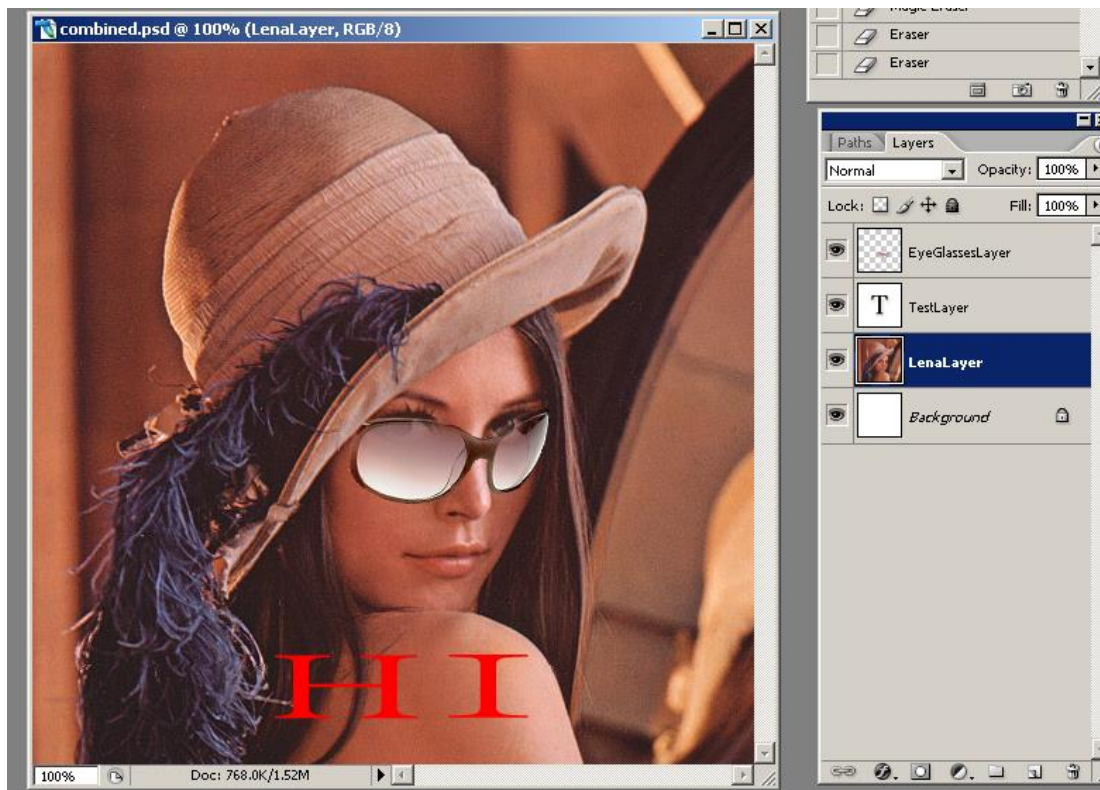


10 min break

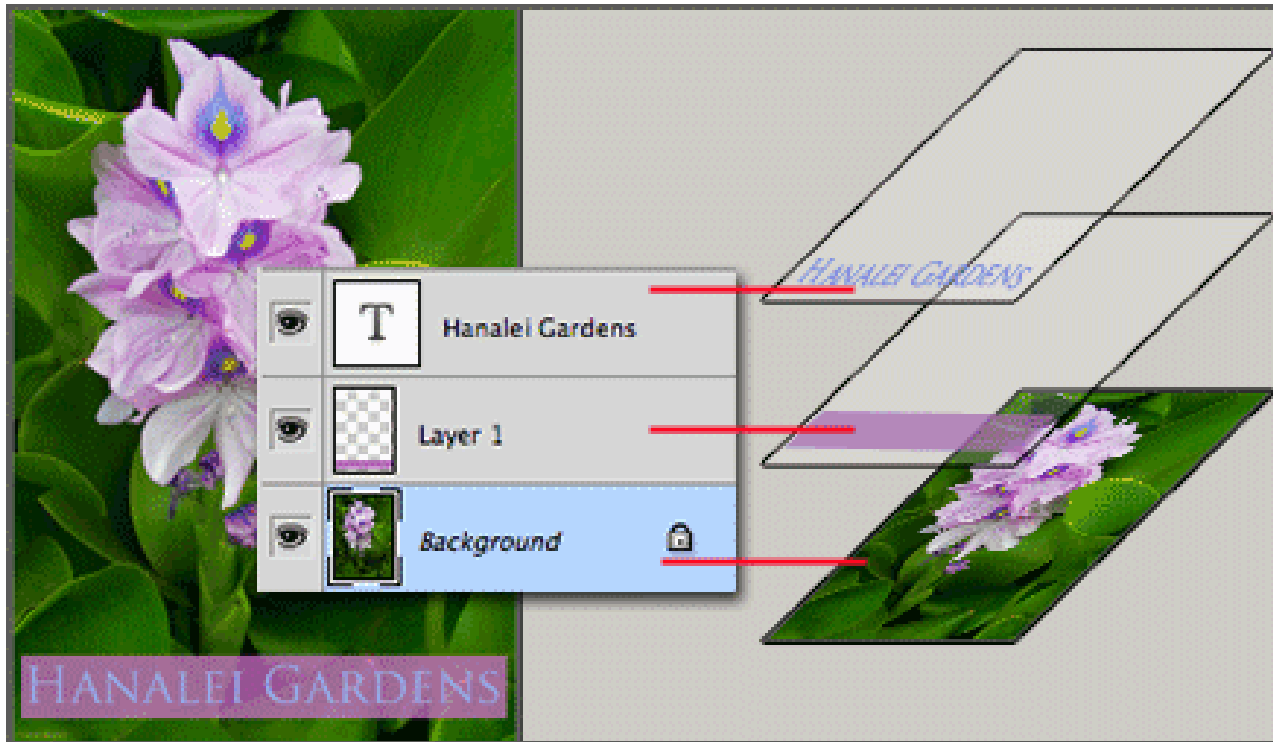
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Layers for Image Editing/ Processing



Layers – independent operations



Layers in Editing Tools

- Layers: like a stack of transparent slide
- Each layer: stores parts of the final image
 - objects, effects, details, etc
- Editing operations on pixels across layers could be
 - 1) independent; 2) interrelated
 - editing/processing tools using layers: Photoshop



Digital Image Processing

Alpha channel (recall your lab1)

- white acts as the visible area;
- black acts as the transparent area
- white area: allow you to see the background behind the image when displayed

The 8-bit alpha $\alpha = 255$ (i.e., 11111111)

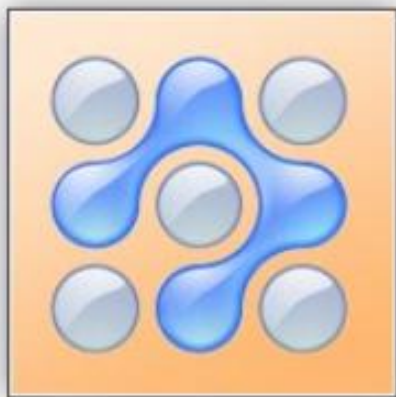


The 8-bit alpha = 0
(i.e., 00000000)

Digital Image Processing

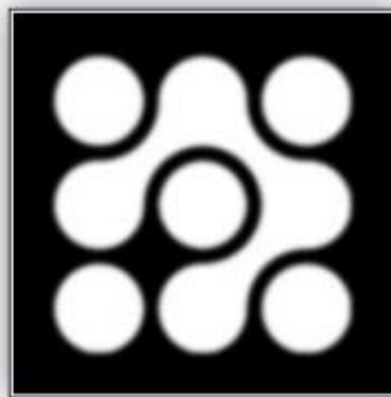
Example use of Alpha channel - 1

Use of Alpha Channel to create Transparent Image

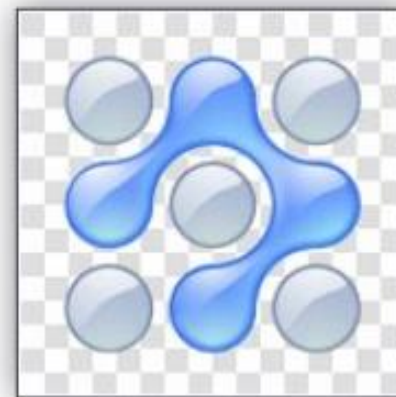


Original Image
RGB - 24 bpp

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Alpha Channel
A - 8 bpp



Transparent Image
RGBA - 32 bpp

Digital Image Processing

Alpha channel (an operational mask)

- 8-bit 'gray scale' alpha channel plane represents the degree of transparency
- Level of gray in between determines the level of visibility.
e.g., 50% gray → 50 percent visibility.
- usually used with 16.8M color RGB images. The resulting image is called RGBA (RGB+A, A means alpha channel).
i.e., 24-bit color + 8-bit alpha channel → 32 bits per pixel

The 8-bit alpha = 255 (i.e., 11111111)



The 8-bit alpha = 0
(i.e., 00000000)

Digital Image Processing

Example use of Alpha channel - 2



Image 1



Image 2

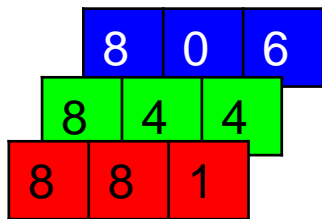


α channel

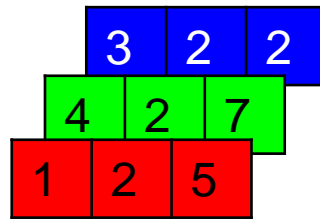
i.e., Image 1 $\times \alpha/255$ + Image 2 $\times (255 - \alpha)/255$

Layers – interrelated operations

layer 1

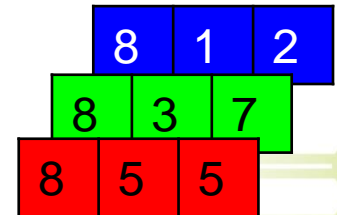


layer 2



layer 1 x $\alpha/255$ + layer 2 x $(255 - \alpha)/255$

Result



Alpha value (α)

255	128	0
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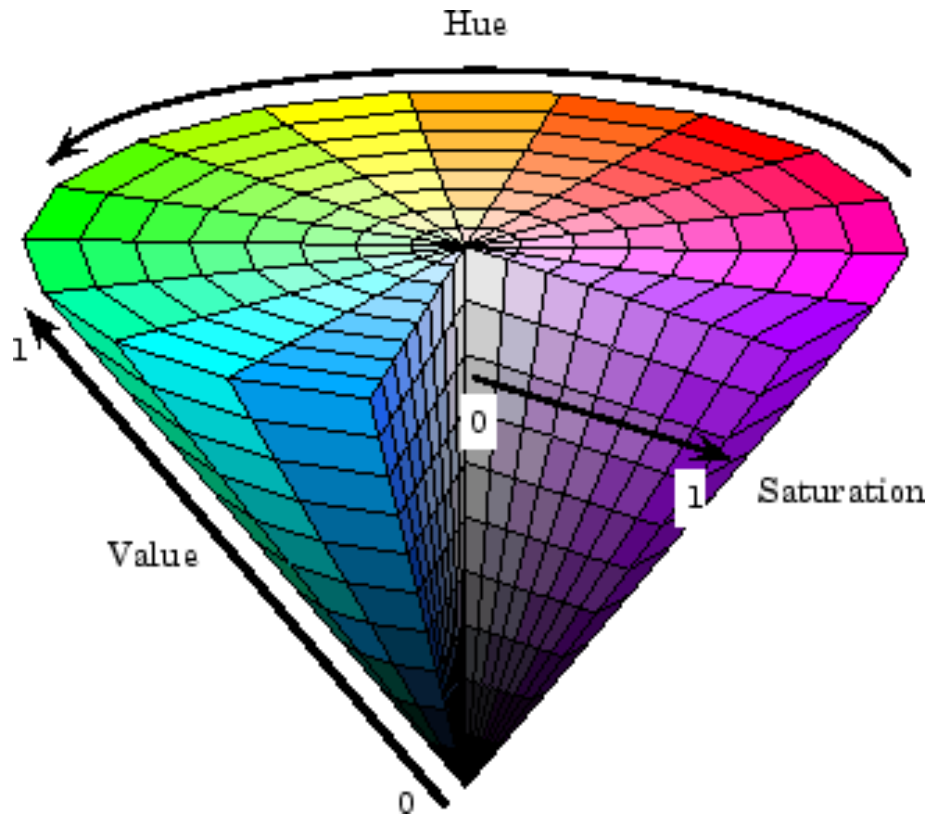
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Other Practical Color Representations

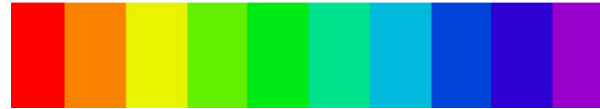
- *any other representation beside RGB?*

Representation of color



Other Parameters of Color Representations

- Hue (H)



- represents color, from 0 degrees to 360 degrees.

- Saturation (S)



- represents the gray-scale of a color space, from 0 to 100%.

- Brightness Value (V)



- represents brightness of a color, from 0 to 100%.

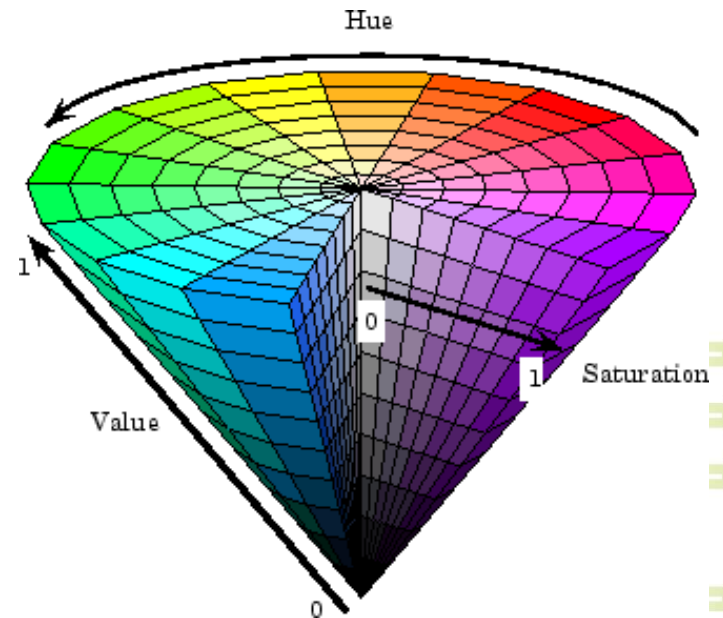
Hue

Ordering	Formula
$R \geq G \geq B$	$60 * \frac{G-B}{R-B}$
$G > R \geq B$	$60 * \left(2 - \frac{G-B}{R-B} \right)$
$G \geq B > R$	$60 * \left(2 + \frac{B-R}{G-R} \right)$
$B > G > R$	$60 * \left(4 - \frac{G-R}{B-R} \right)$
$B > R \geq G$	$60 * \left(4 + \frac{R-G}{B-G} \right)$
$R \geq B > G$	$60 * \left(6 - \frac{B-G}{R-G} \right)$

R: 64
G: 64
B: 128



R: 64
G: 128
B: 64



<http://www.csghnetwork.com/csgcolorsel4.html>

Examples

$$V = \max(R, G, B)$$

R:	32	64	96	128
G:	32	64	96	128
B:	64	128	192	255
H:	240	240	240	240
S:	50%	50%	50%	50%
V:	25%	50%	75%	100%

$$S = \left(1 - \frac{[\min(R, G, B)]}{V} \right) * 100\%$$

R:	96	64	32	0
G:	96	64	32	0
B:	12	12	12	12
	8	8	8	8
H:	240	240	240	240
S:	25%	50%	75%	100%
V:	50%	50%	50%	50%

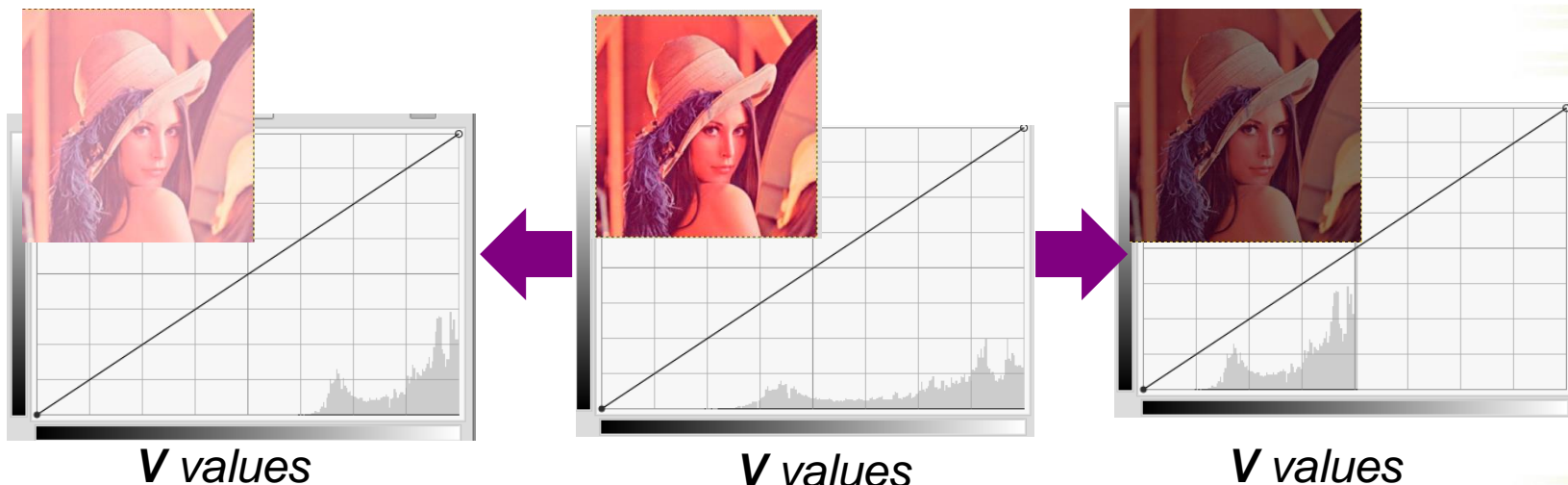
Image Perception and HSV



Contrast

The differences of V across pixels

- Human eyes: more sensitive to the contrast, rather than absolute colors
- Contrast = the differences of V across pixels in an image
- The bigger the contrast seems looking “nicer”!

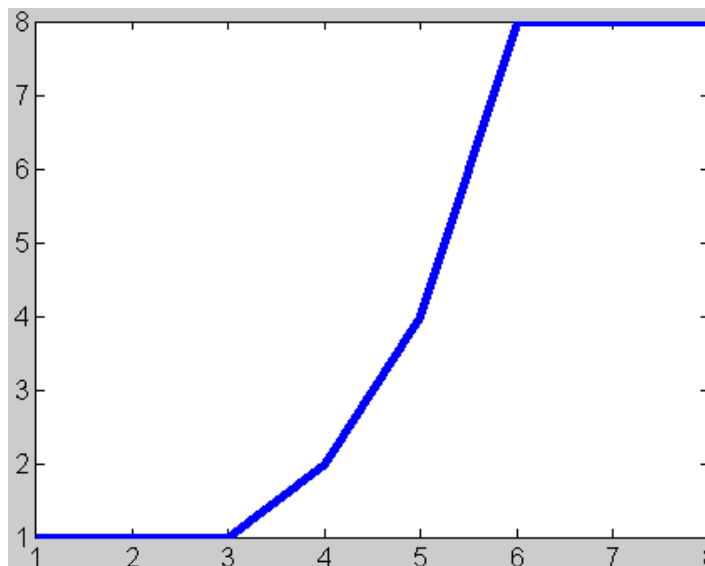


Photoshop Curves

- Adjust Vs for a better perception of an image
- Mapping the corresponding RGB values automatically

Output value

1	1
4	8

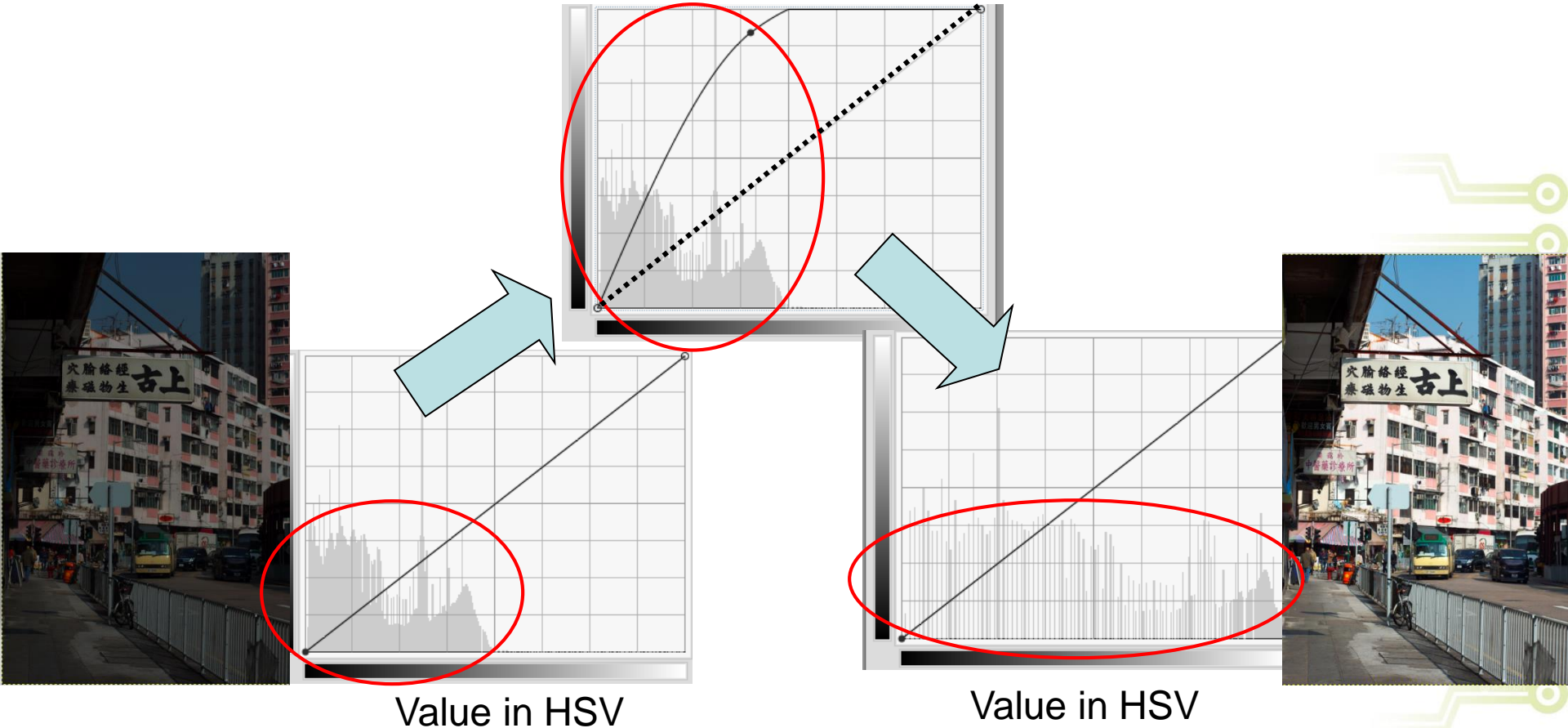


Input value

1	2
5	8

Photoshop Curves

- Improving image by increasing the contrast



Keying – one of the applications

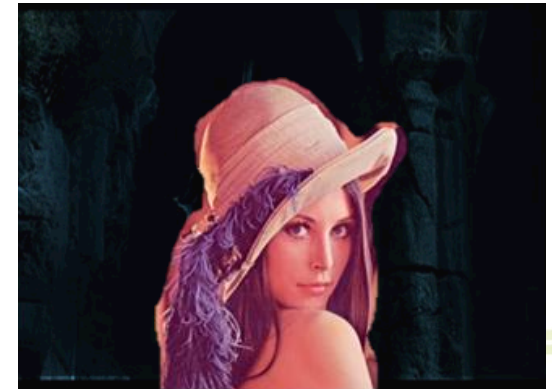
However,...



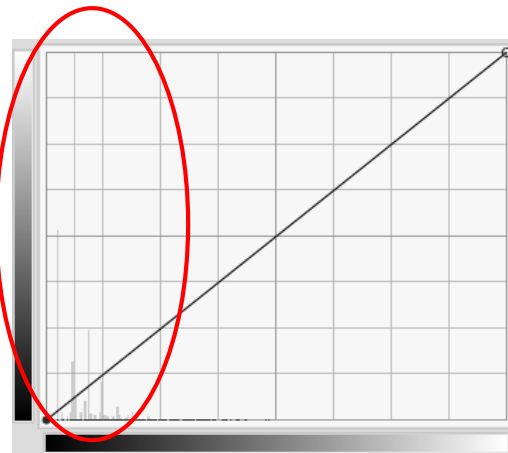
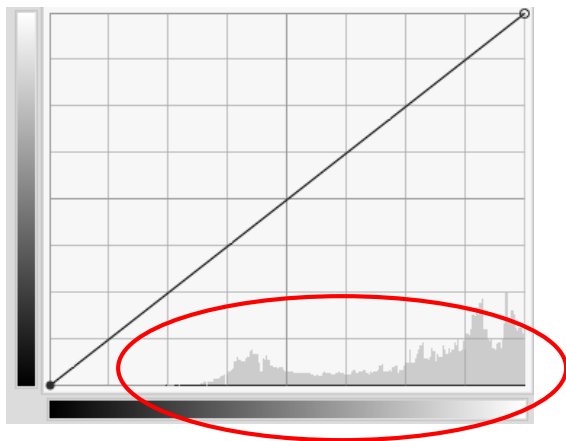
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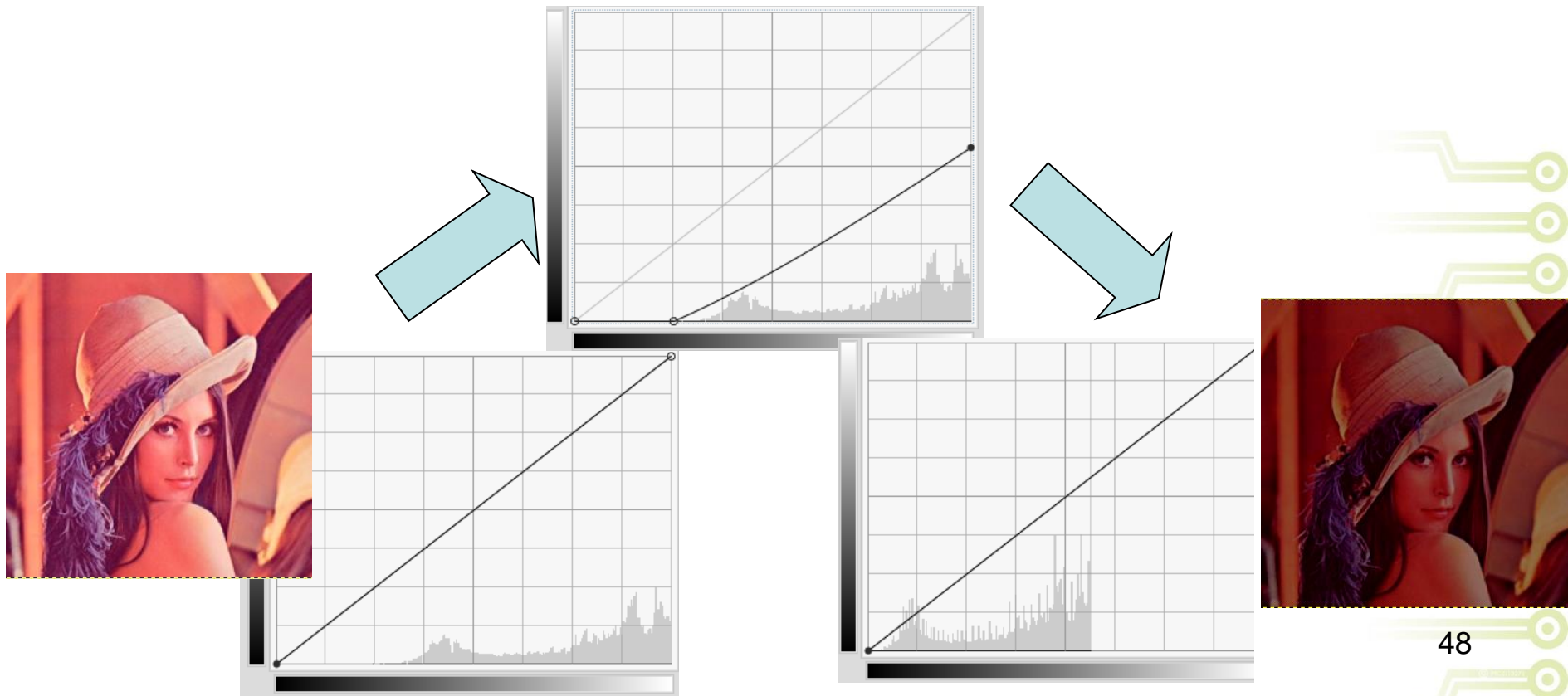
something wrongs....



The range of the image is different

Photoshop Curves for Keying

- Changing the value to match the background



Photoshop Curves for keying

Plus other adjustments...



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More practical uses in Photoshop

1. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ORM6AZY19pw>
2. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N-TG0-qpZvs>

Questions? Comments?
- End of Lecture 2 -