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Medical Imaging

Introduction to Medical Imaging

Medical Imaging

- Introduction
- Image quality
- Imaging technology:
  - Radiography
  - Computed Tomography
  - Magnetic Resonance Imaging
  - Ultrsonography
  - Nuclear Medicine
  - Endoscopy
  - Thermography
- Processing & analysis of medical images
- The future of Medical Imaging

Learning outcomes

- Presentation
- Written test

By the end of this subject student should be able to:

1. explain the basic principles of the major medical imaging techniques;
2. explain the mode of operation and medical applications of the major medical imaging techniques;
3. understand the advantages and disadvantages of the major imaging techniques, including potential hazards for patiens;

4. make use of sample software (or implement simple algorithm) for displaying and basic processing of biomedical images or.

- Lab report

References

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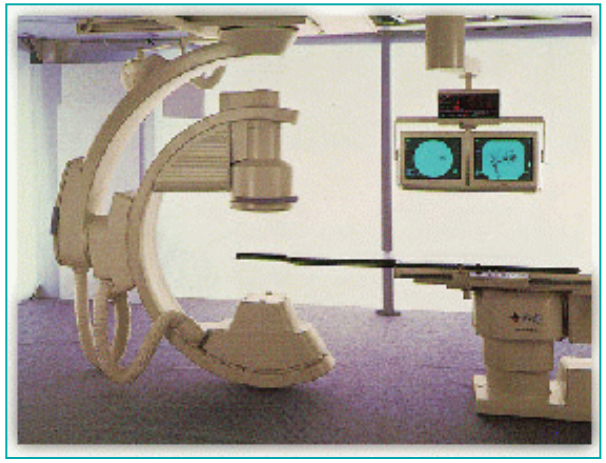
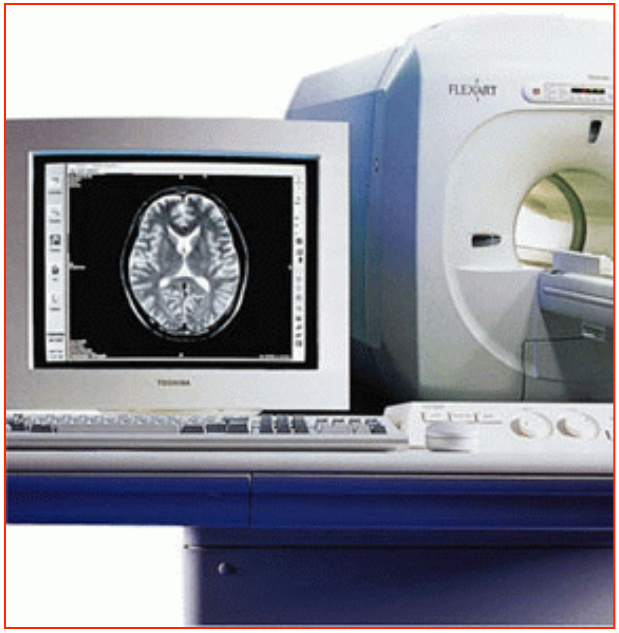
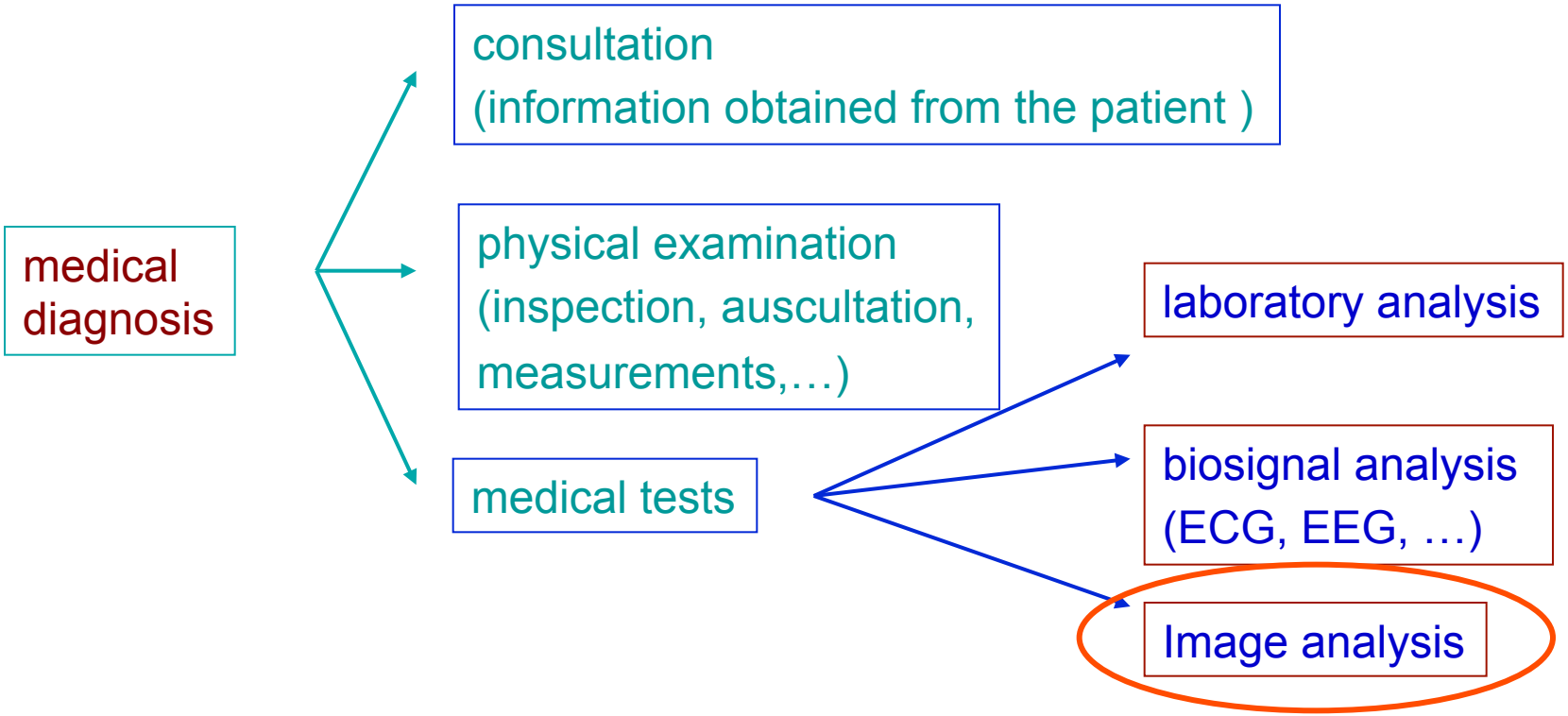
Rewolution in medical diagnosis

- Advances in microeletronics and computer science
- Development of tissue imaging technology
- Qualitative diagnosis -> quantitave diagnosis

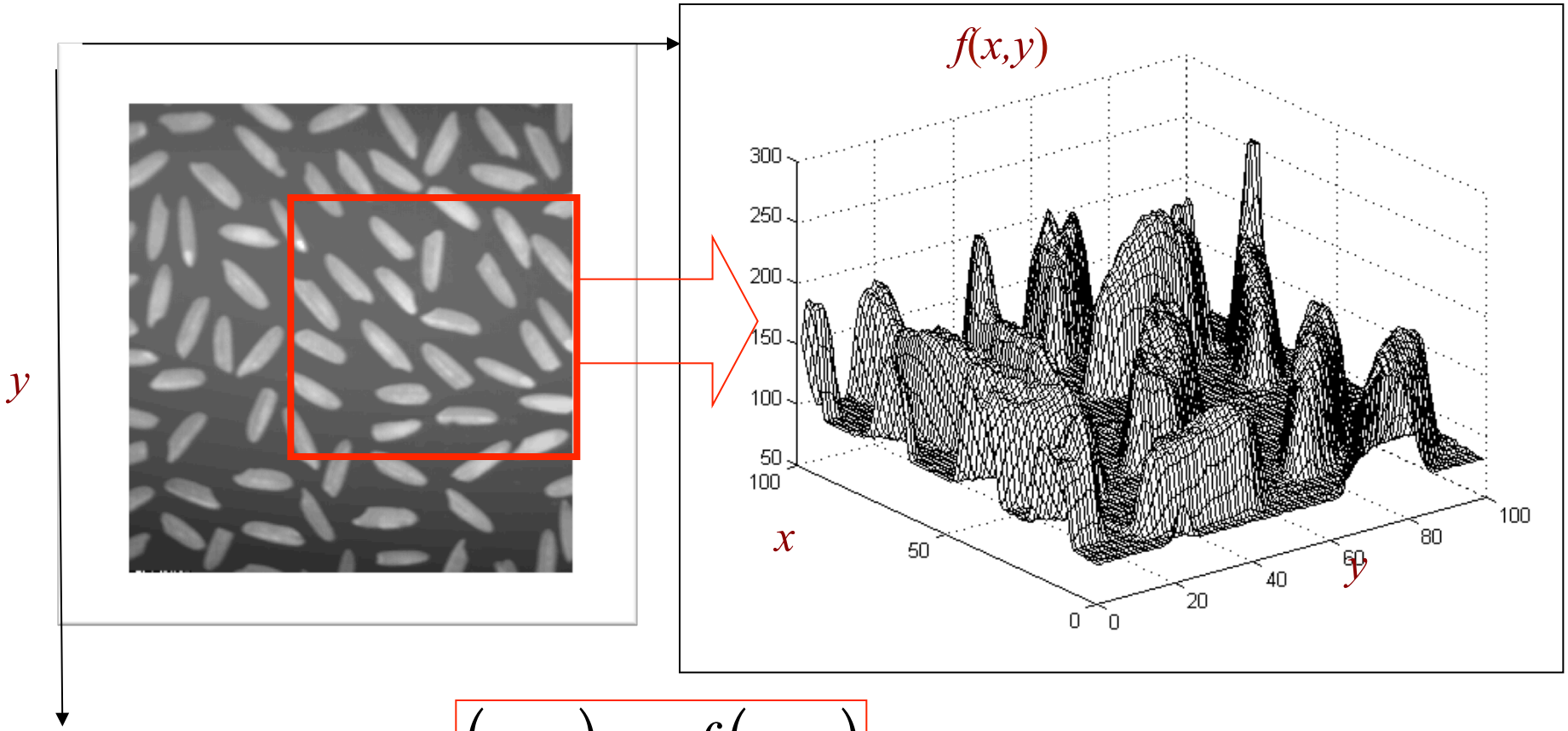




Medical Diagnosis
- determination of the identity of a possible disease or disorder

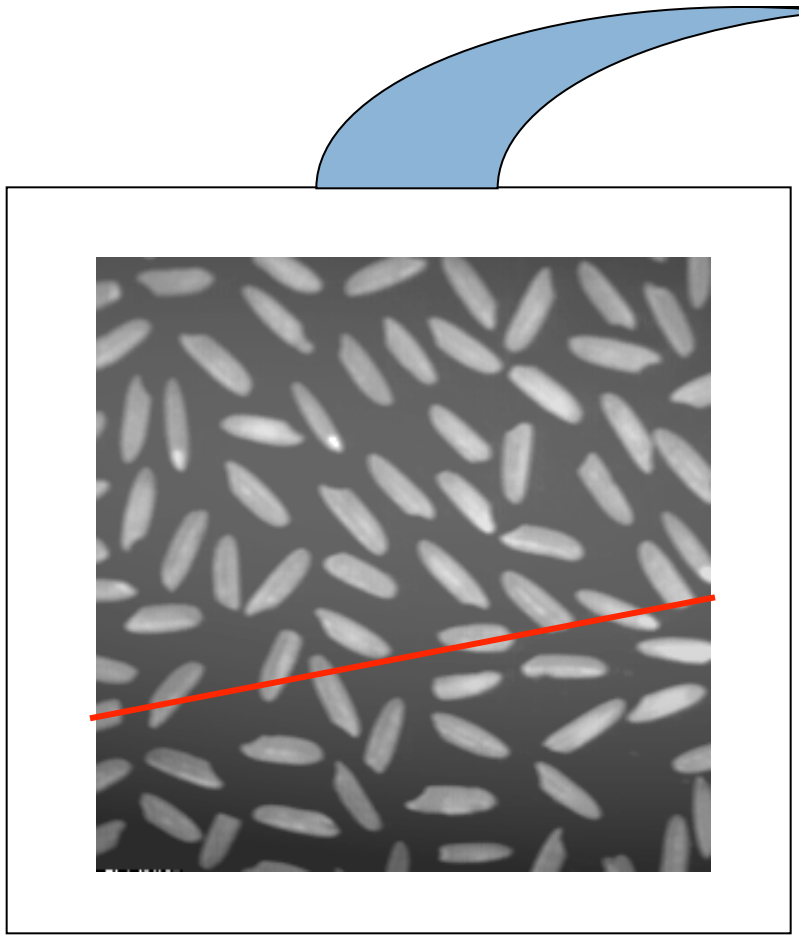


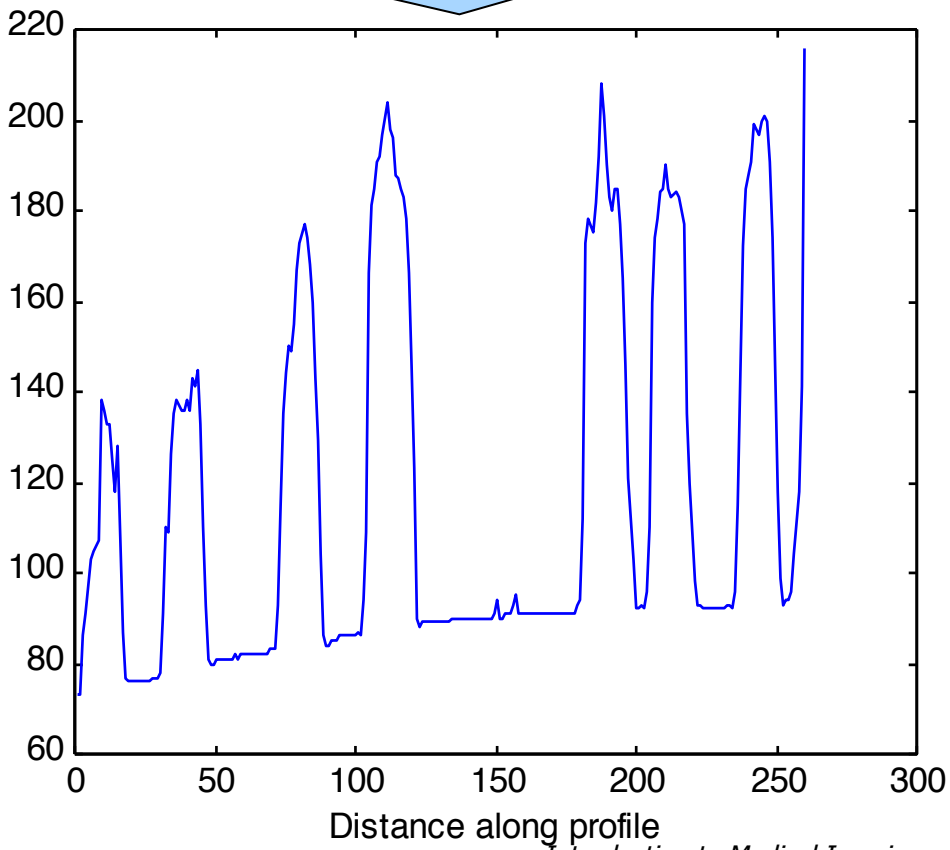
Monochrome image as a 2D function



$$(x,y) \rightarrow f(x,y)$$

Image brightness profile





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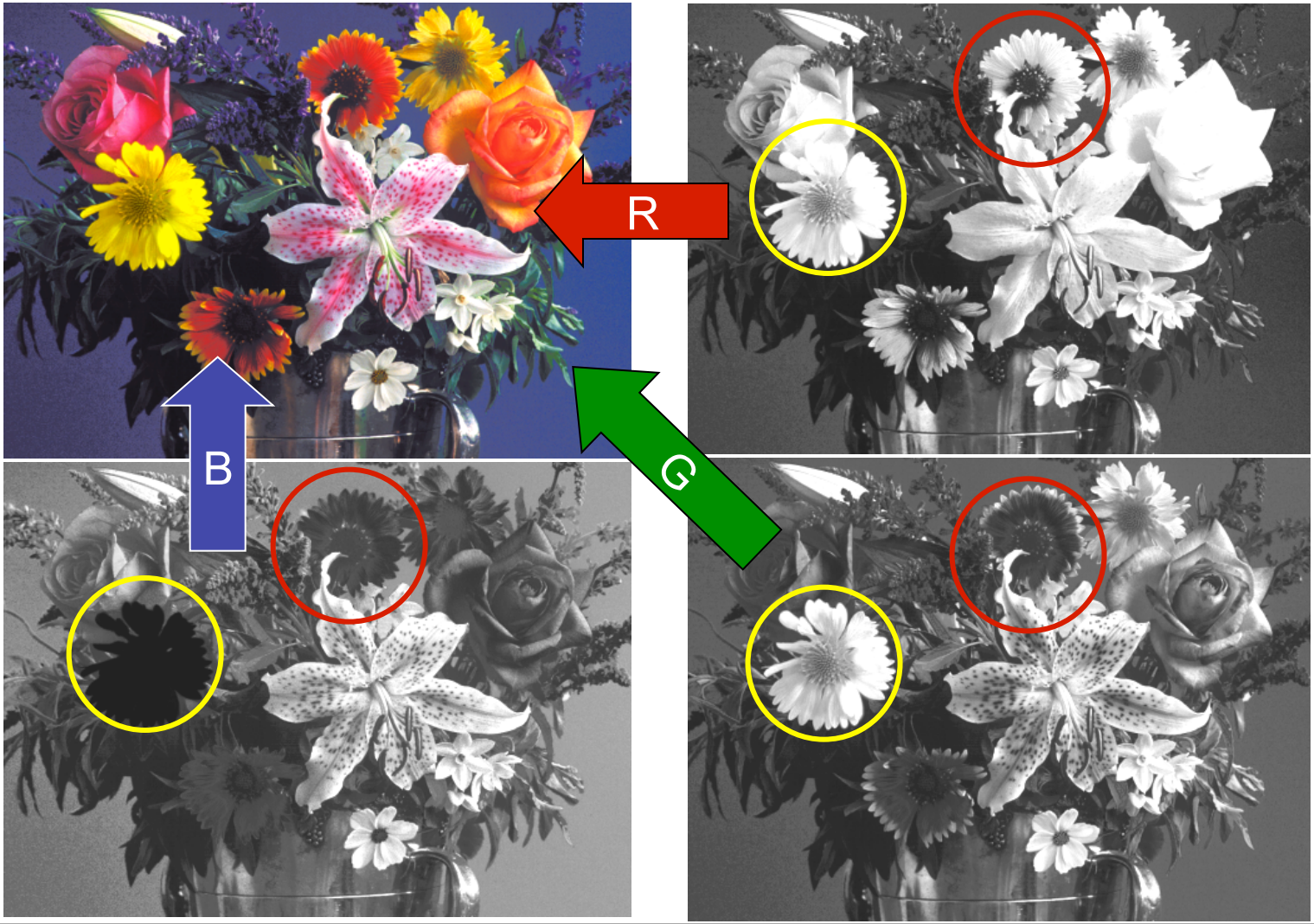
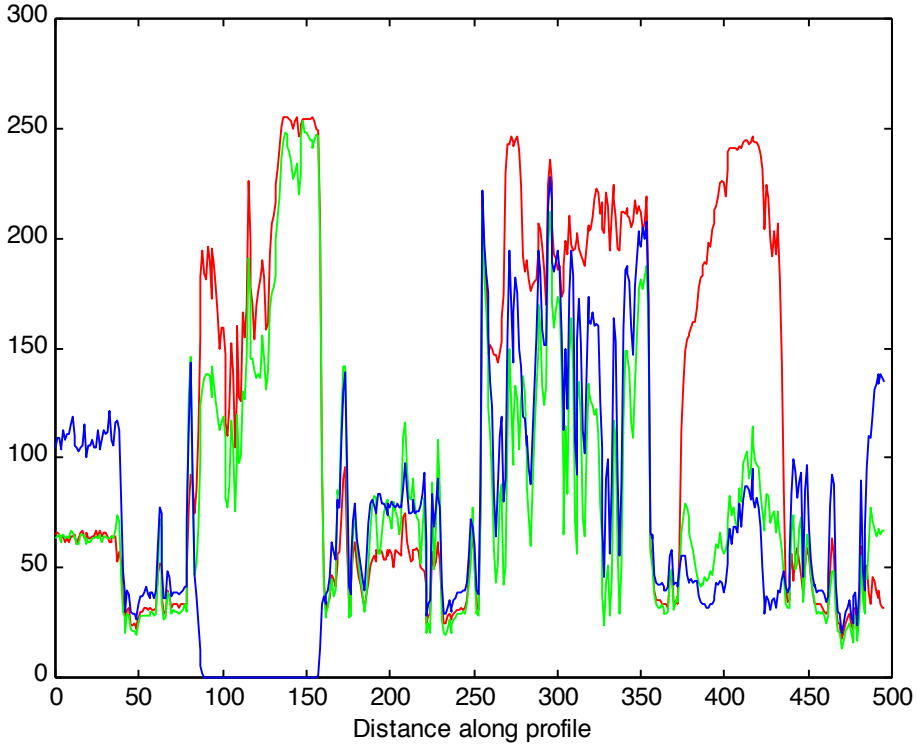
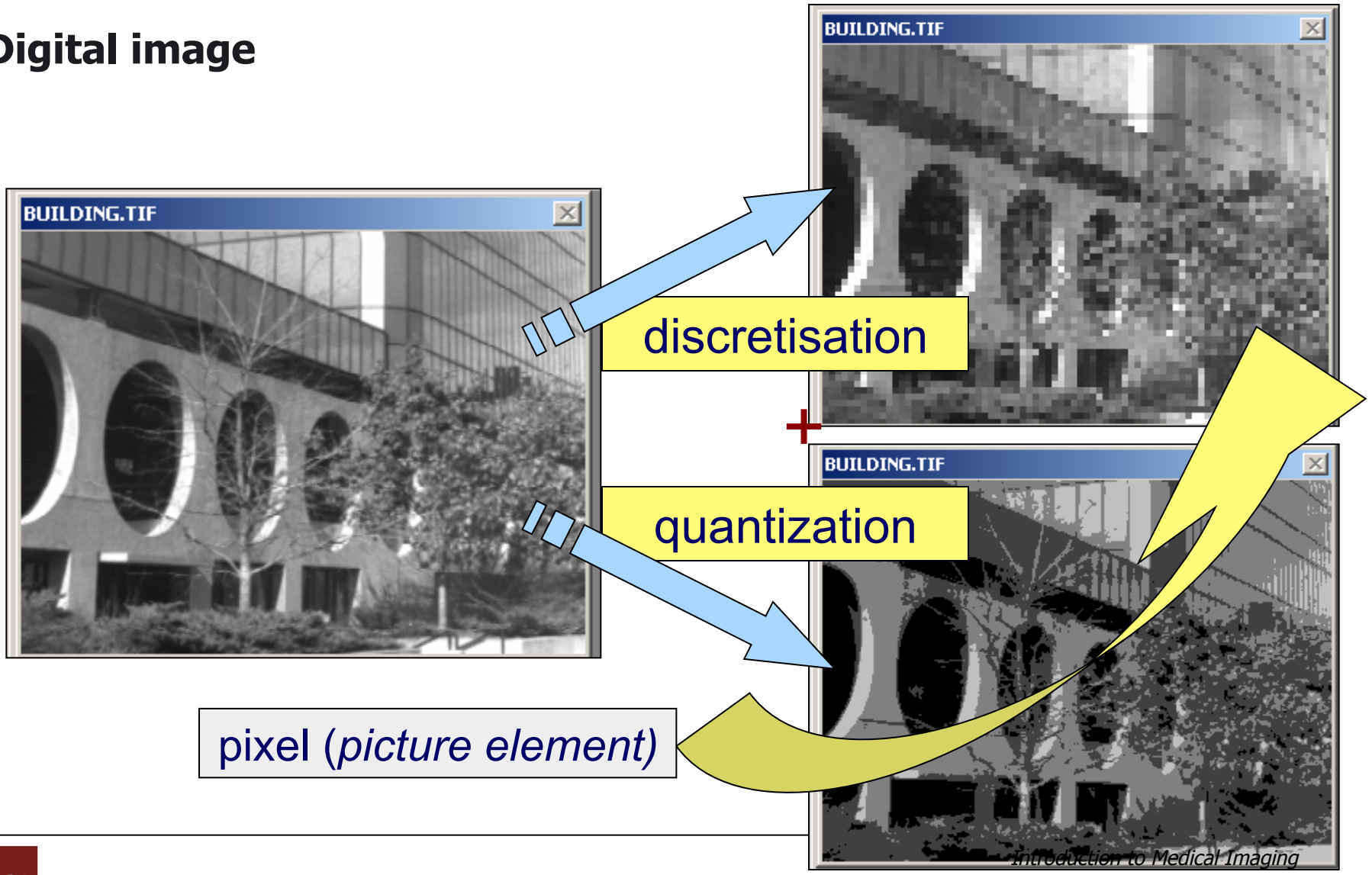


RGB color image
color components profiles

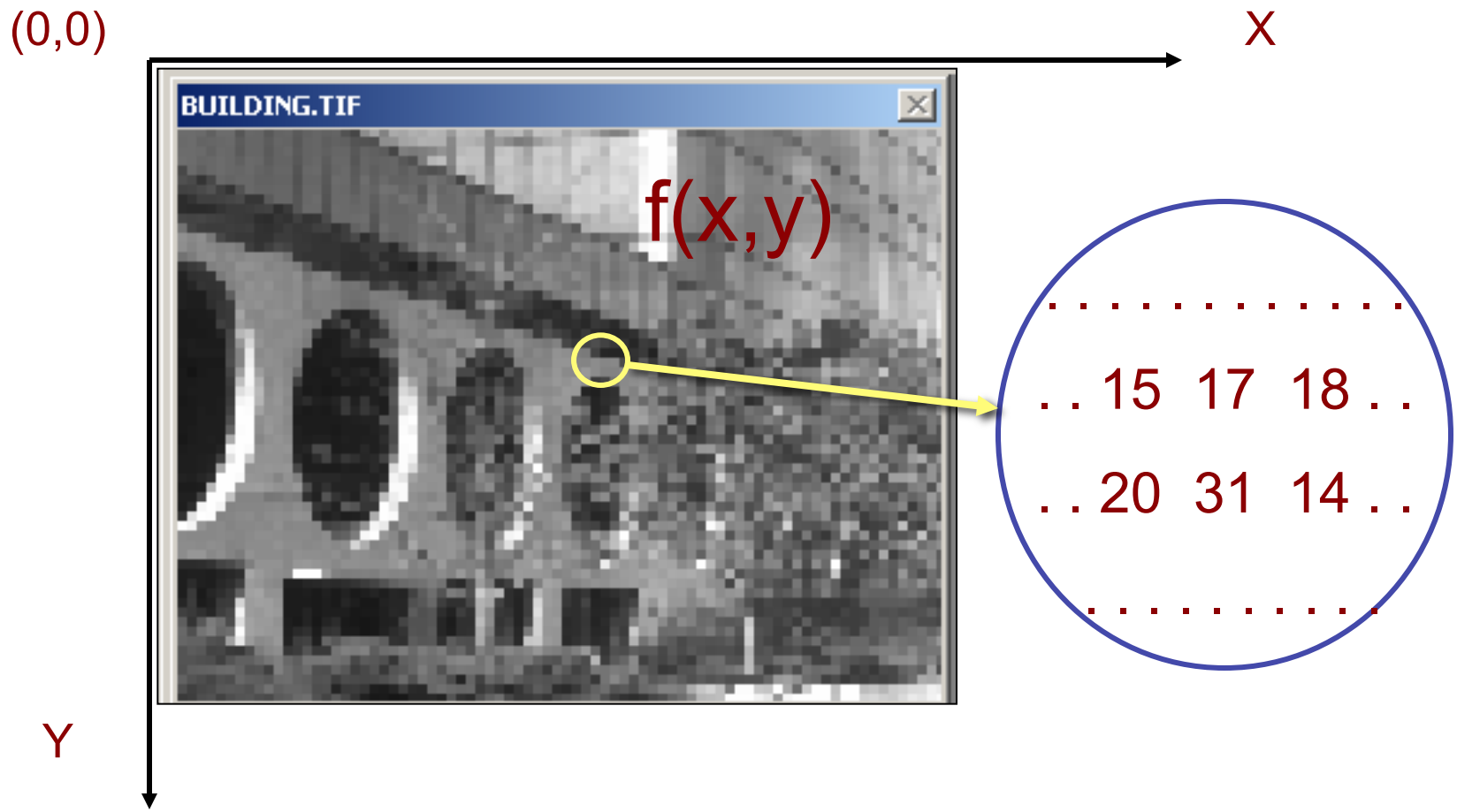


RGB image and colour components profiles

Digital image



Digital image as pixel array



Digital image as pixel array

Digital image $f(x,y)$:

2D array (M,N),
ie. of M rows and N columns,
of nonnegative elements assuming
a limited number of levels

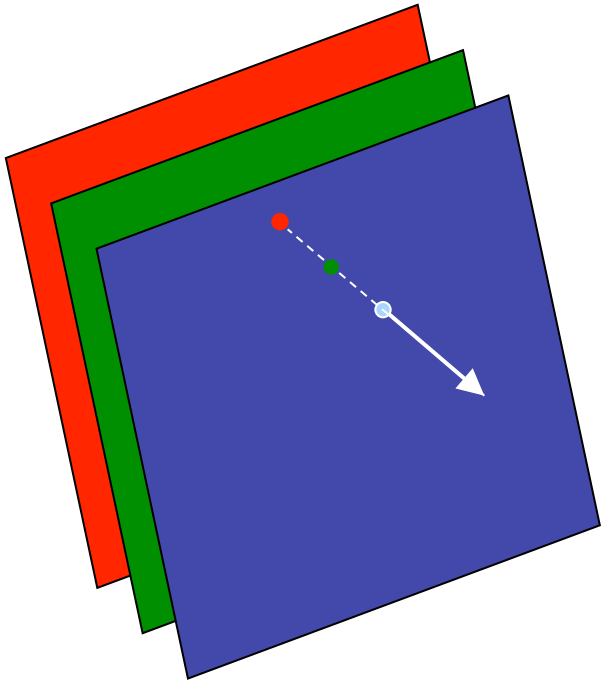
$$f(x,y) = 0,1,\ldots,L-1$$

(e.g. $L=256$)

$$x = 0,1,\ldots,N-1$$
$$y = 0,1,\ldots,M-1$$

Color digital image?

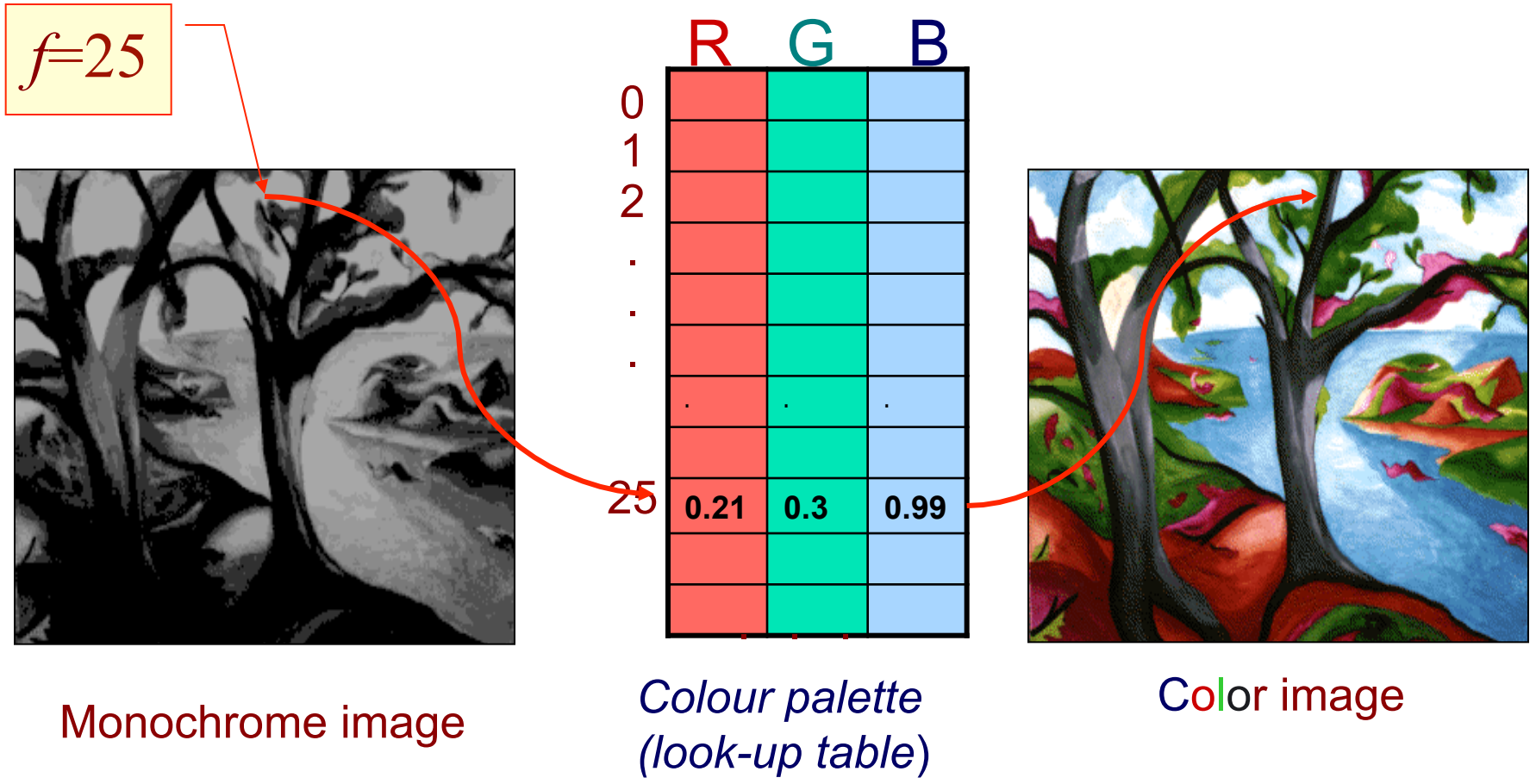
Color digital RGB image



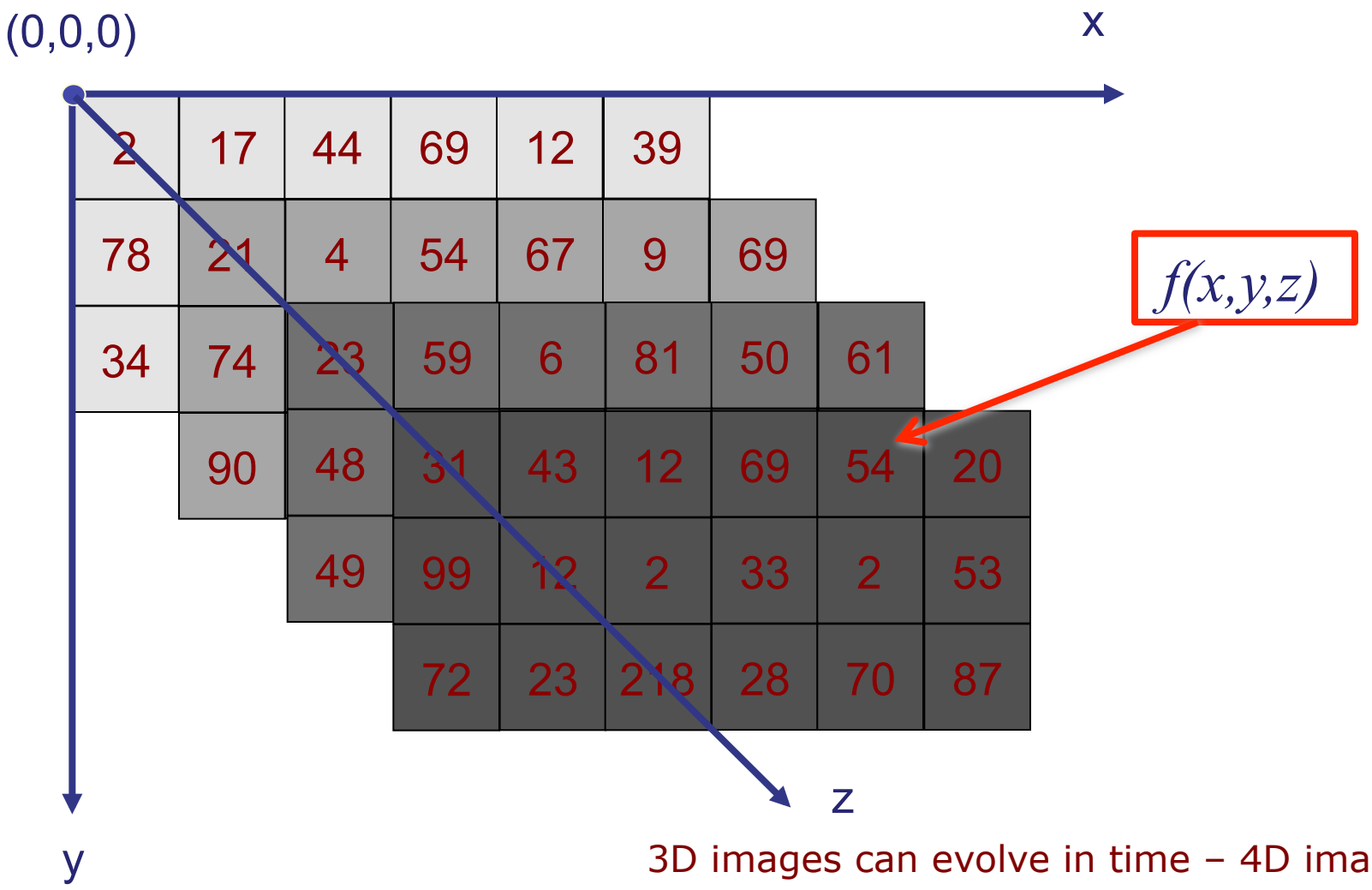
If each of the color component is 8 bit coded then 2^{24} different colors can be obtained

$$\boldsymbol{f}(x,y)=(f_R,f_G,f_B)$$

Color indexed image

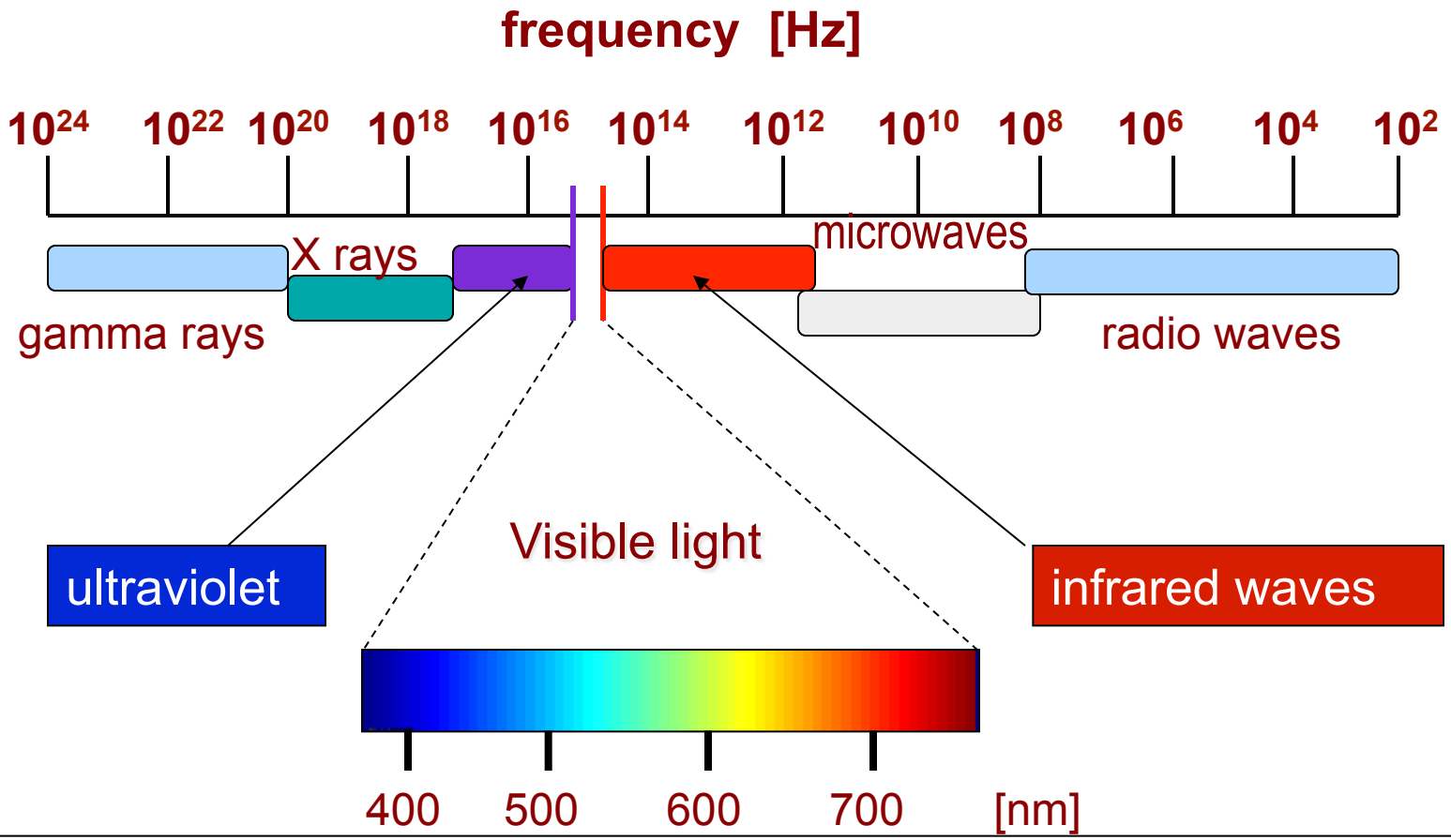


3D images

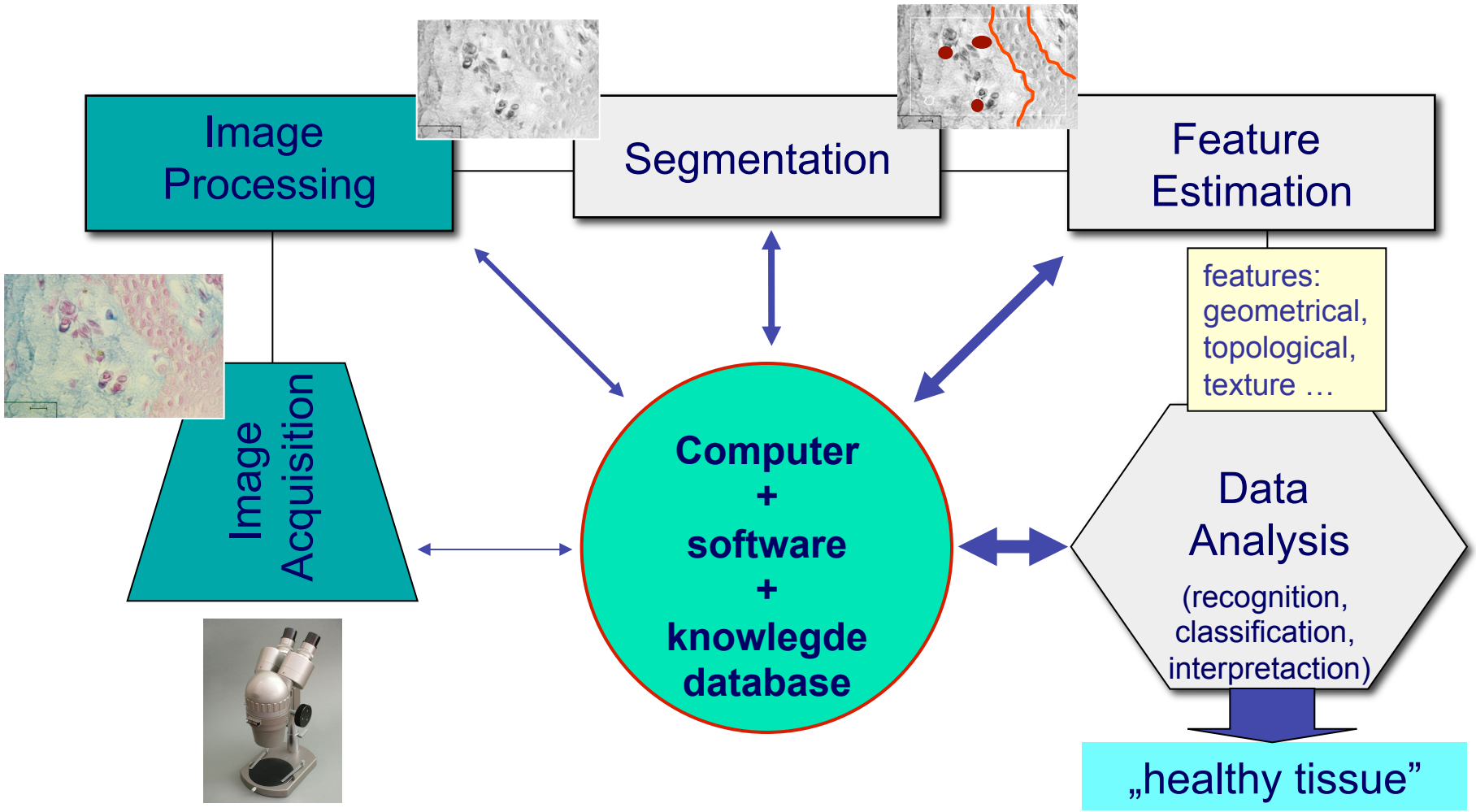


3D images can evolve in time – 4D images

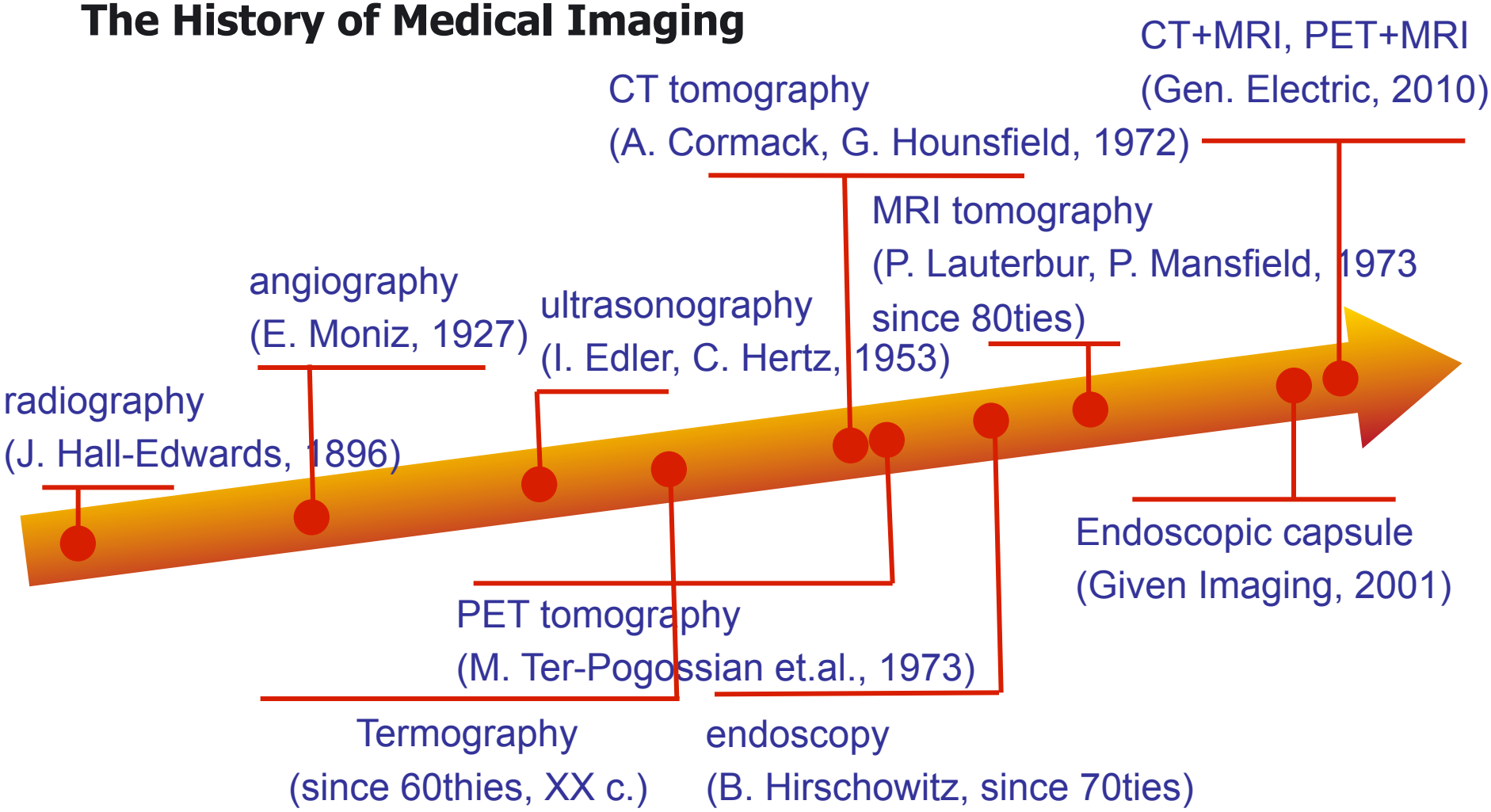
Electromagnetic spectrum



Computer vision system

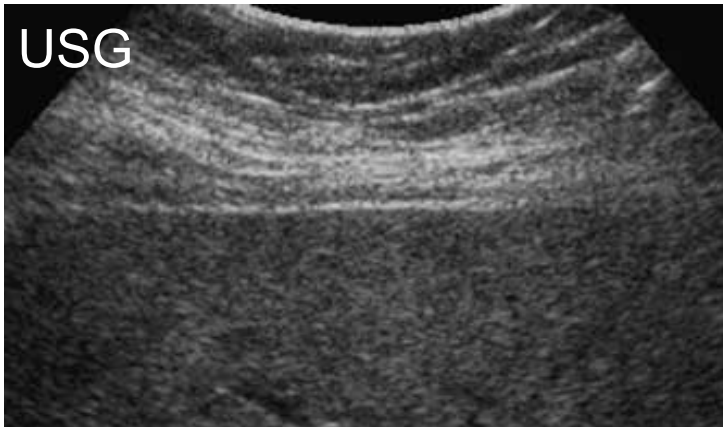


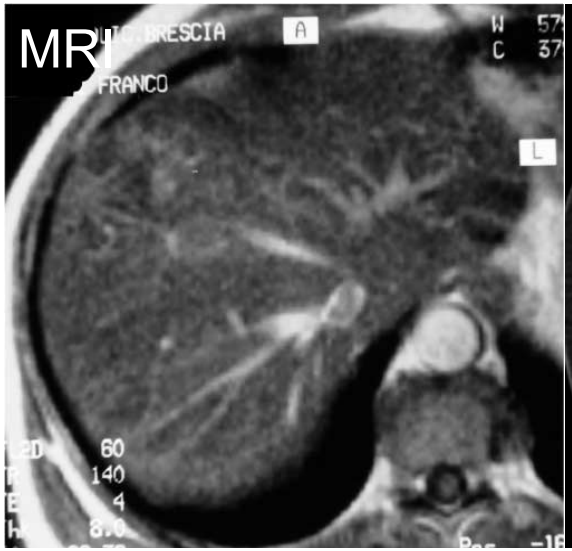
The History of Medical Imaging

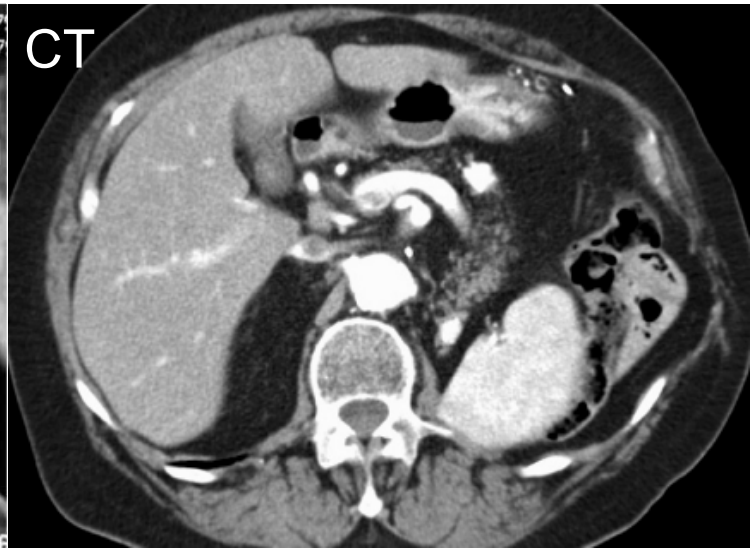


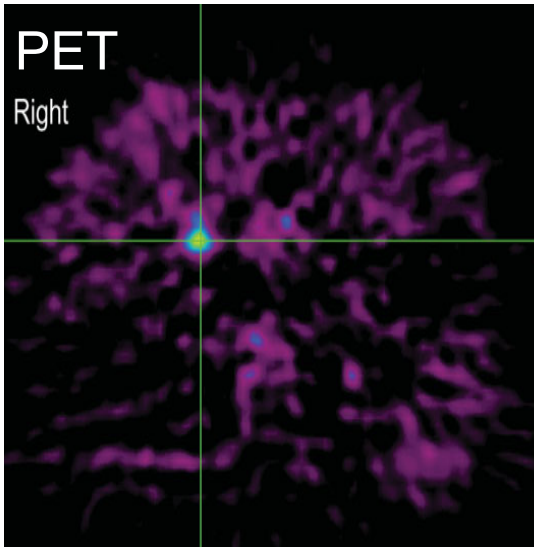
Why so many imaging modalities?

- Sonography (53%-77% lesions)
- CT (l. vasculature gold standard)
- MRI (91% benign – malignant discrimination)
- PET (highest sensitivity in tumor detection)



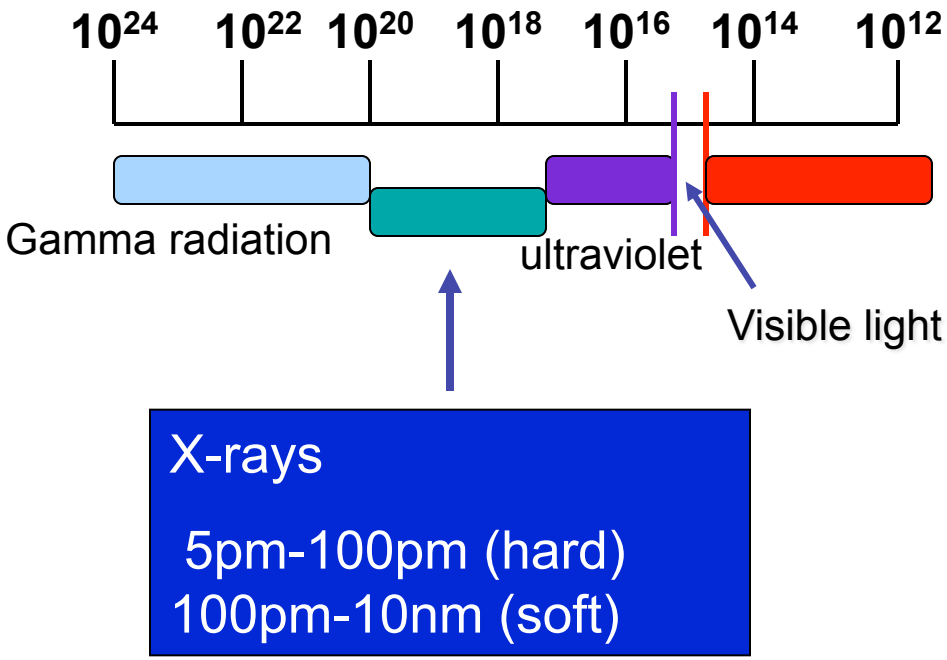


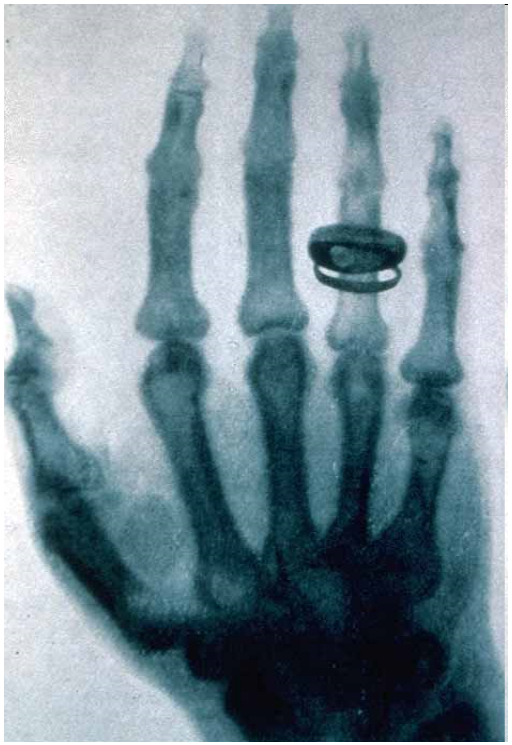




Radiography

Roentgen radiation (X-ray radiation), discovered and described by Wilhelm Röntgen in 1895, Nobel prize in physics in 1901.





Ms. Röntgen hand x-ray

Radiography

- film images,
- digital images,
- invasive examination,
- limited quality,
- low equipment price, mobility

Radiography

Applications:

orthopedics

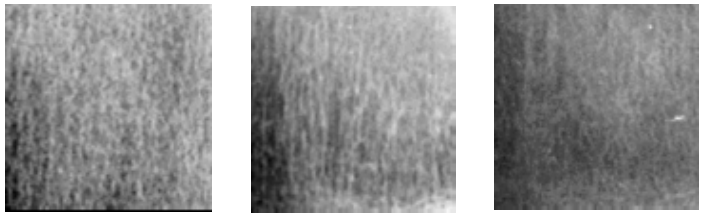
pulmunology

dentistry

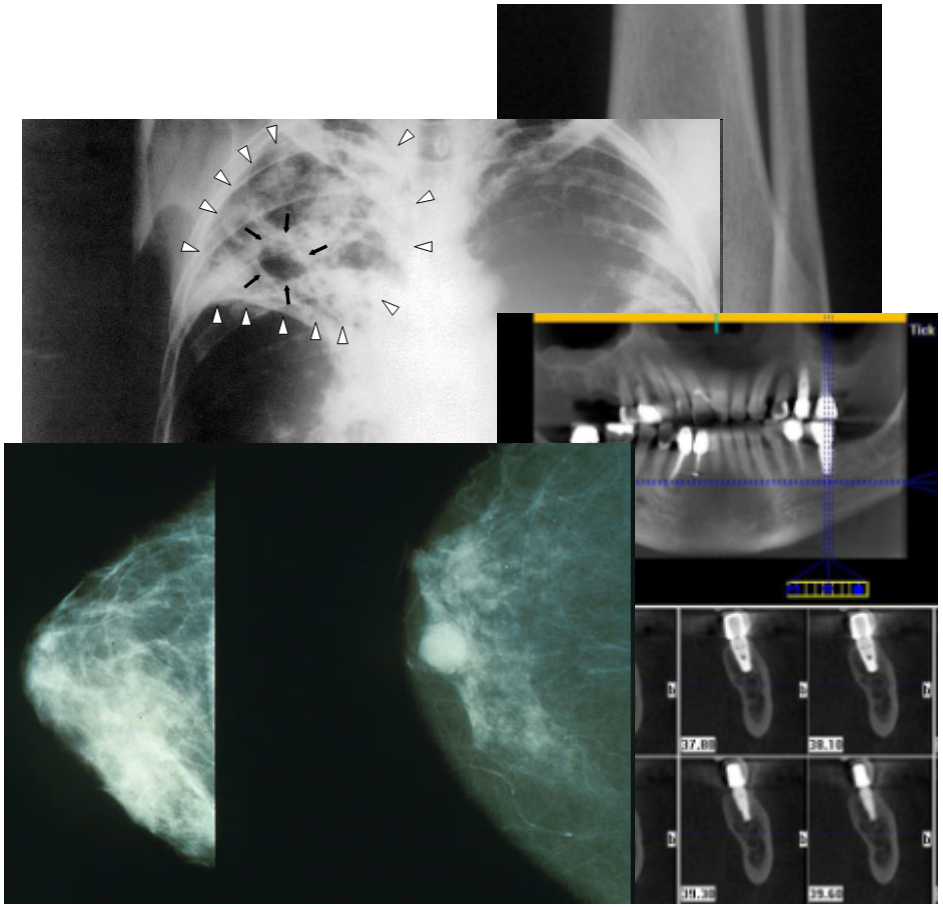
Diagnosis:

breast cancer (mammography)

osteoporosis



dr Piotr Cichy



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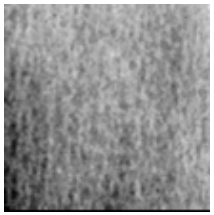
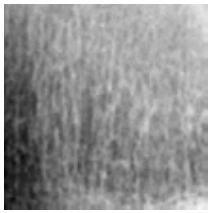
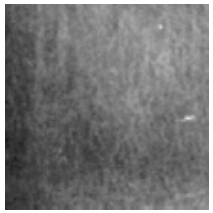
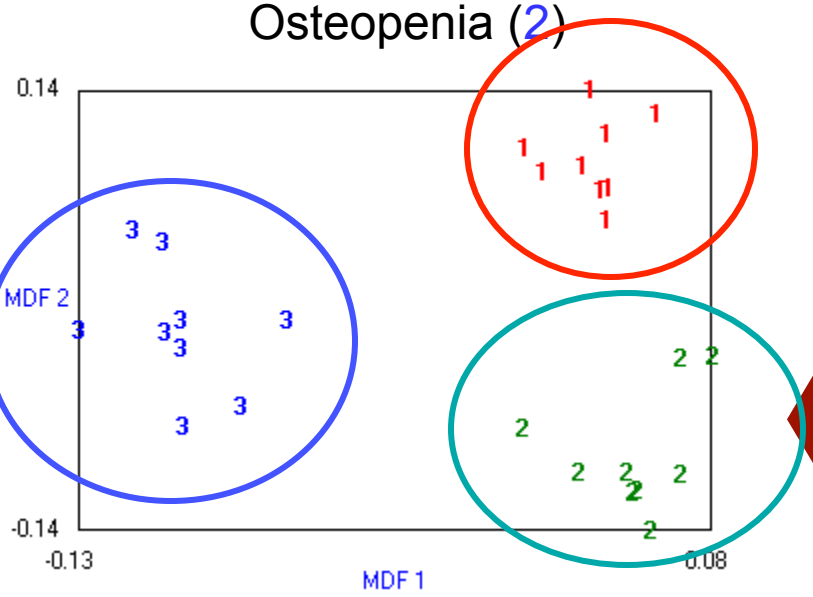
Analysis of wrist radiograms

Control (1) Osteopenia (2) Osteoporosis (3)

Markov Random Field model



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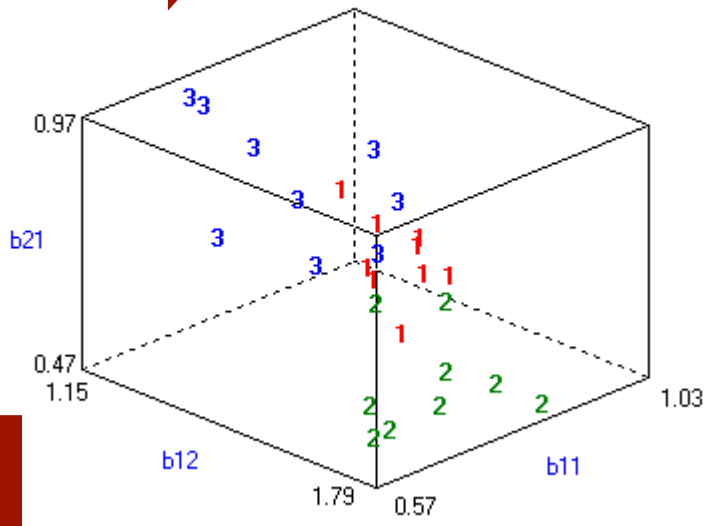
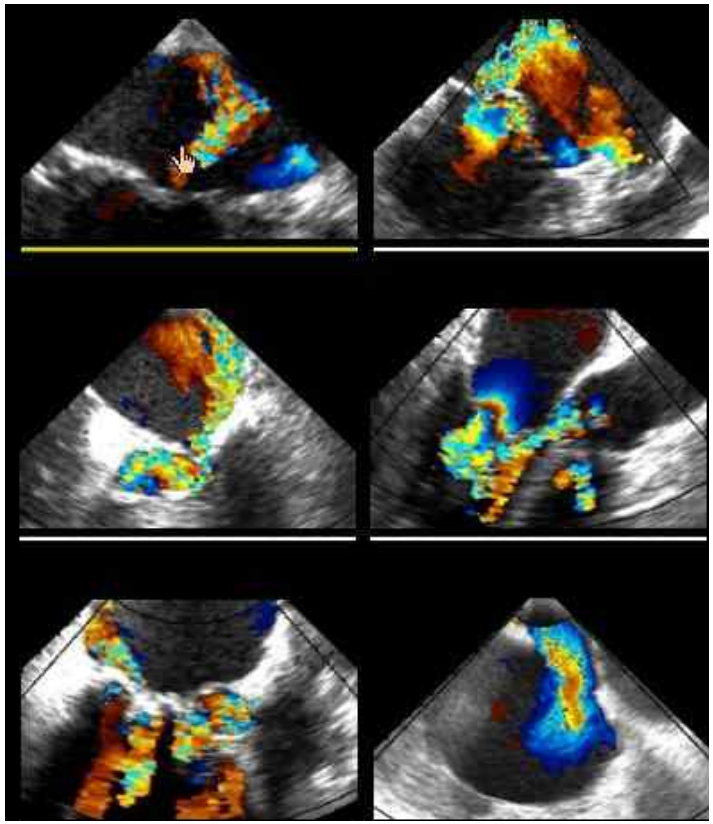


Classification error: 0%

Classsifcation error: 9%

Ultrasonography

- low image quality,
- difficult for interpretation,
- blood flow examination (Doppler effect USG),
- non-invasive examination,
- low equipment price, mobility



Ultrasonography

Applications:

cardiology

ginecology&obstetrics

urology

gastrology

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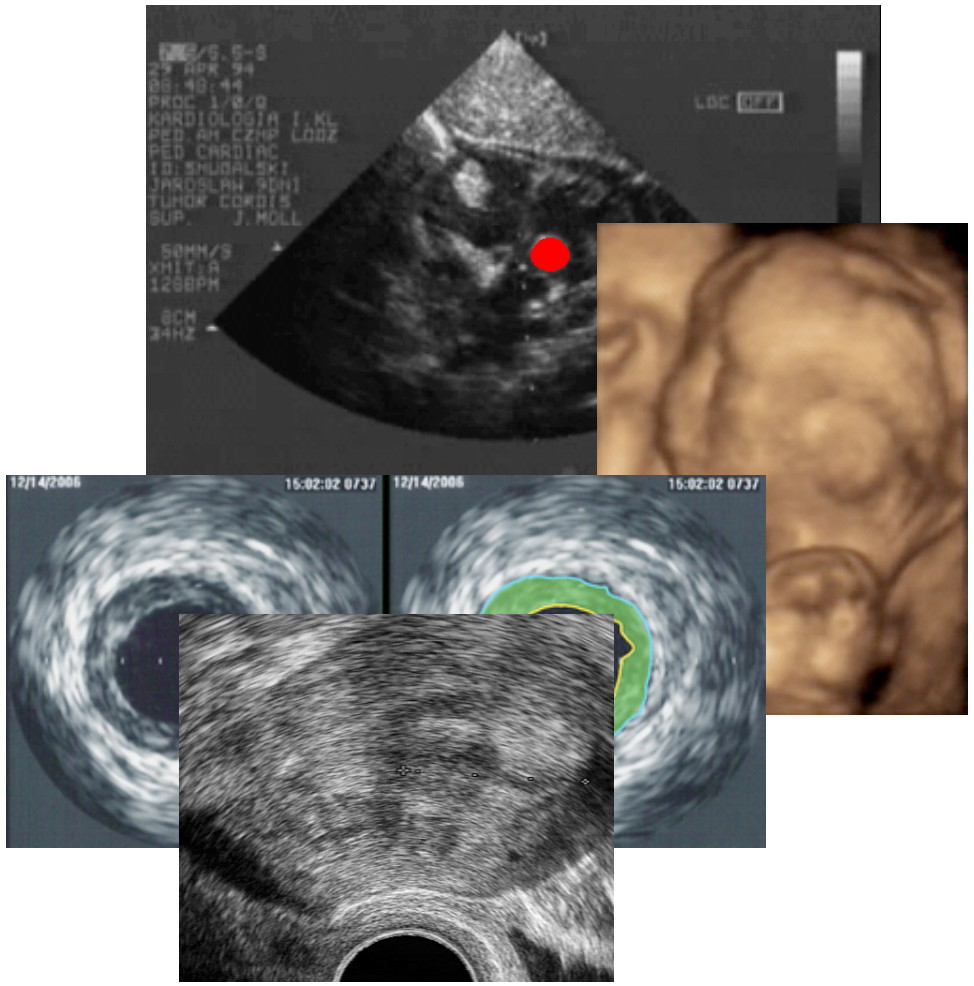
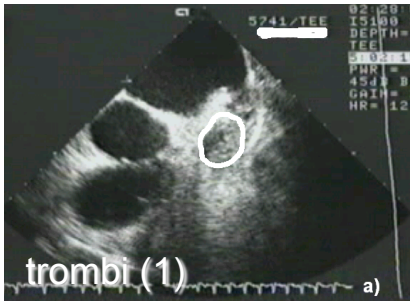
Diagnosis:

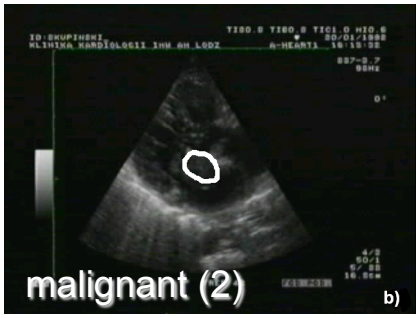
prostate, urinary bladder

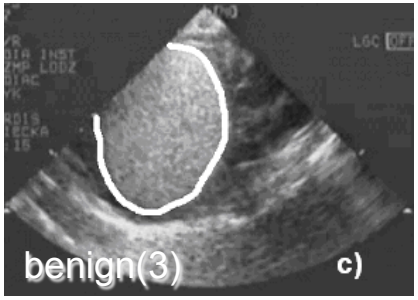
uterus



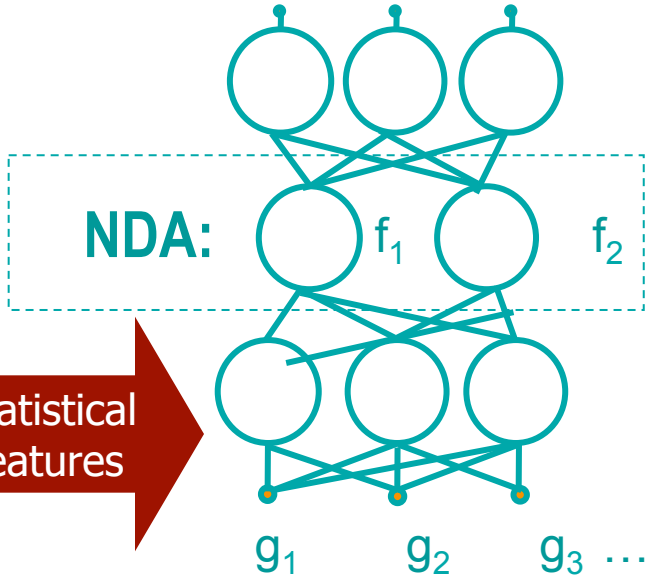
Analysis of heart echo images (classification)

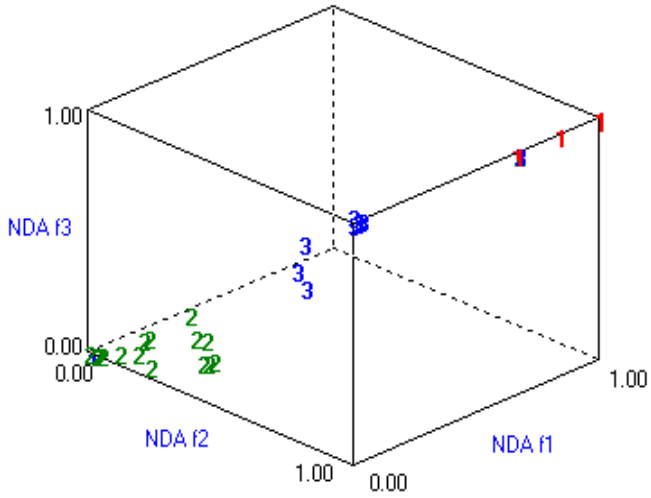






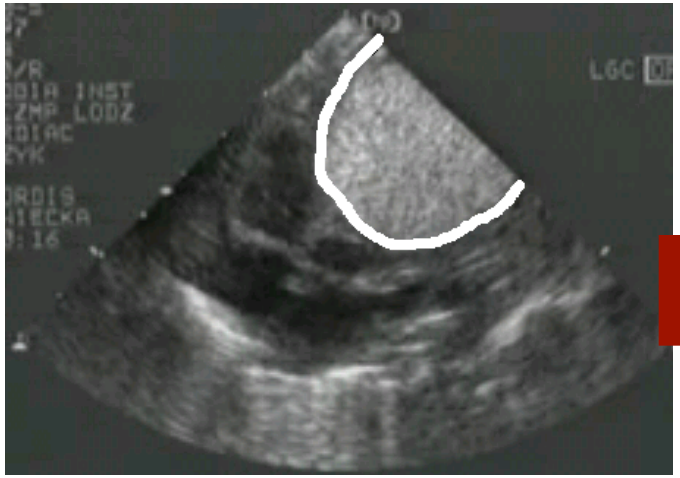
Statistical features





Classification error: 10% (55 images)

Analysis of heart echo images (segmentation)



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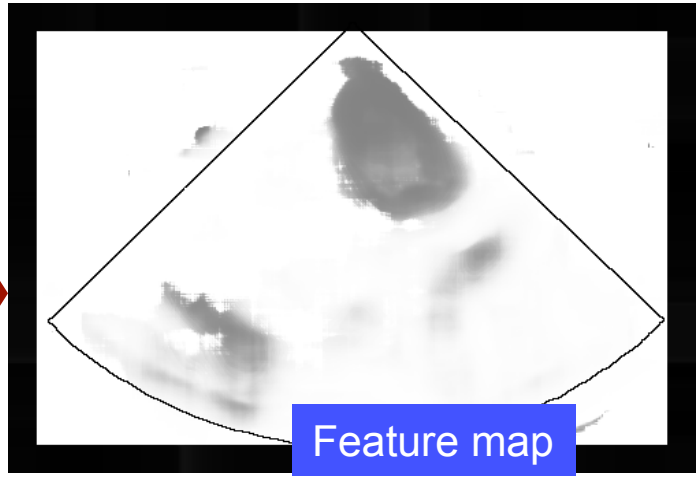
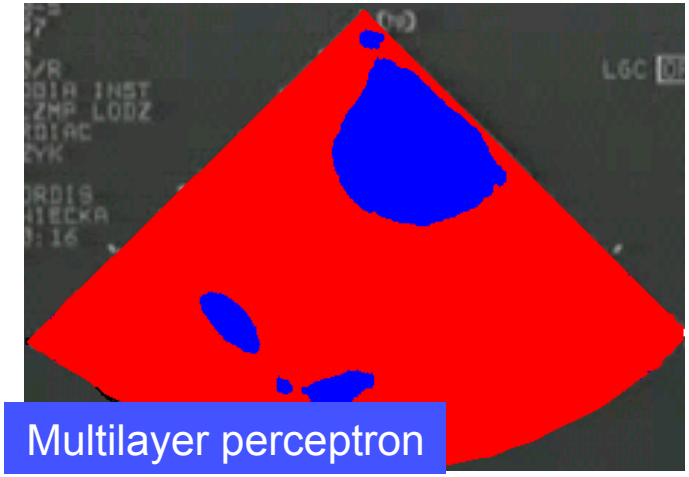
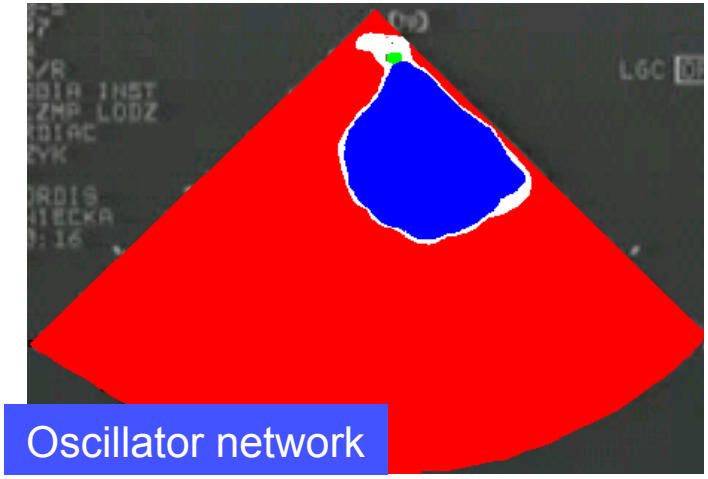
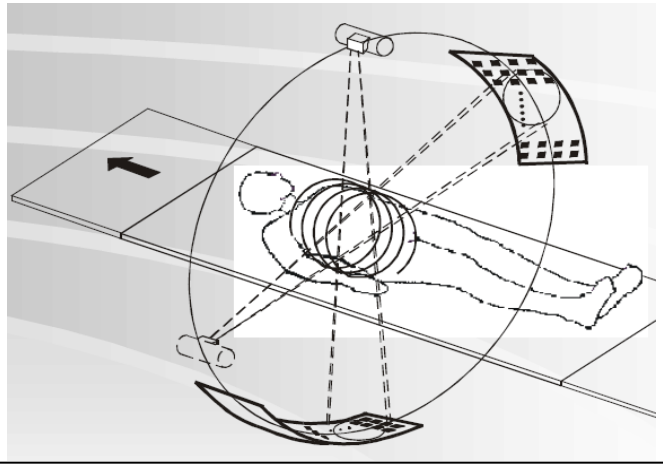






Computed Tomography (CT)

- cross-section images
(not a projections)
- not applicable for soft tissues,
- very good image quality,
- invasive examination,
- high equipment price



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Computed Tomography (CT)

Applications:

neurology

cardiology

pulmunology

gastroenterology

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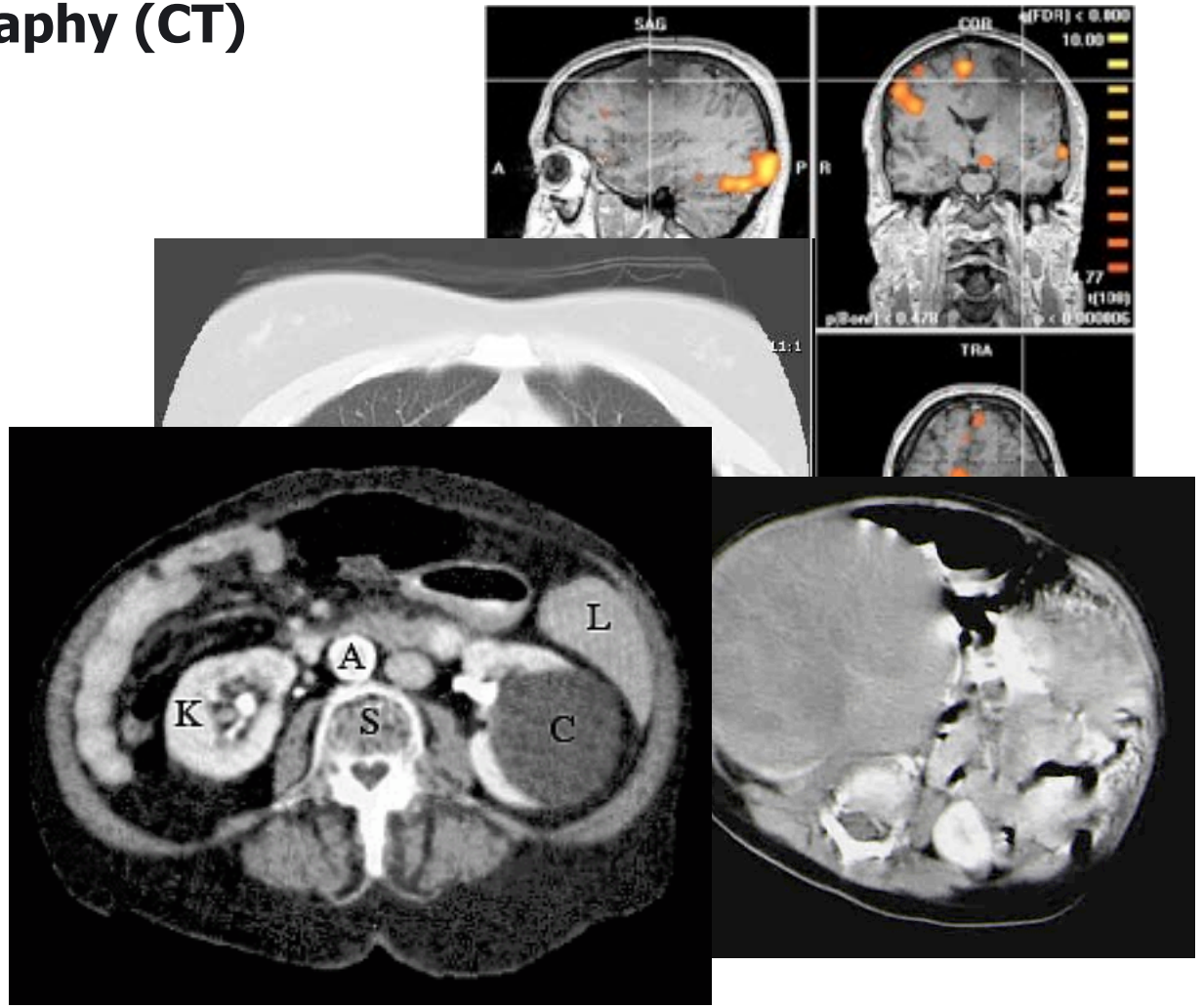
Diagnosis:

brain tumors

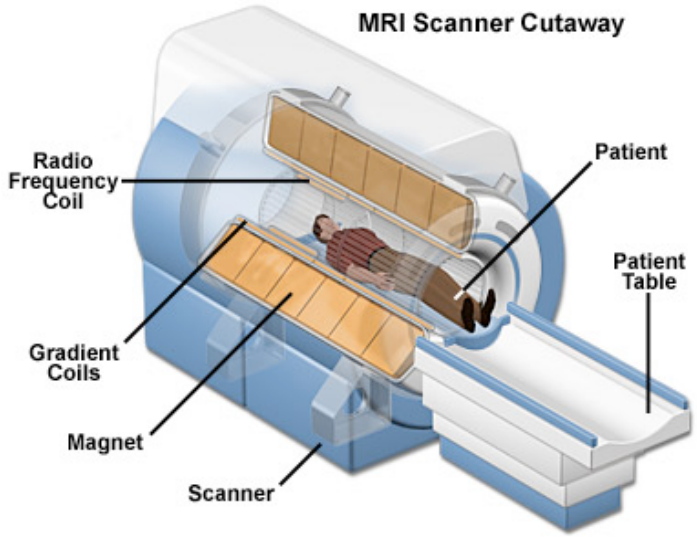
kidney, liver

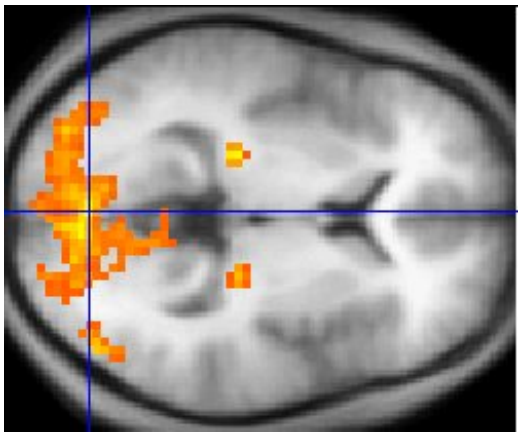
lung diseases



Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

- effective for soft tissues,
- functional tomography (BOLD),
- MR angiography,
- very good image quality,
- non-invasive examination,
- high equipment price





Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

Applications:

neurology

angiography

gastroenterology

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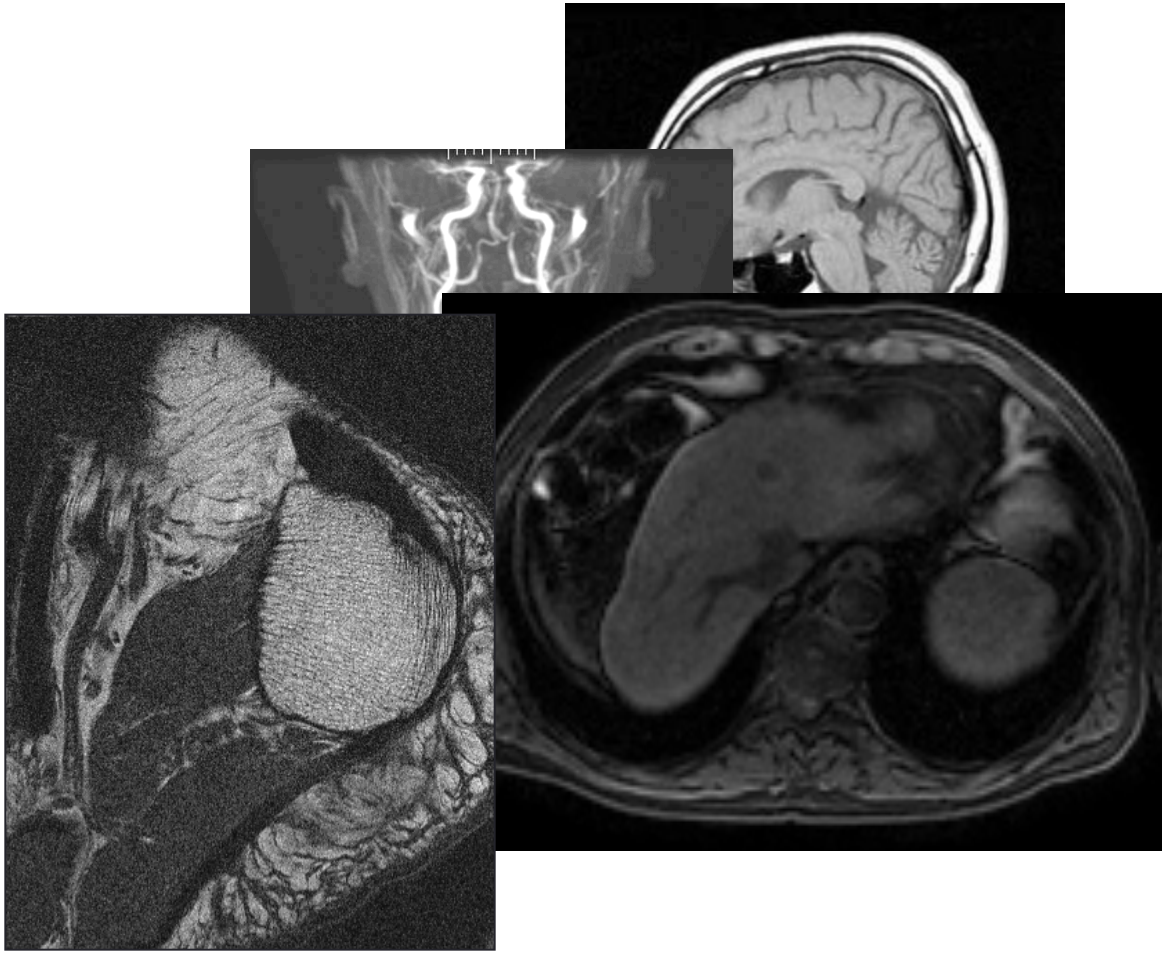
Diagnosis:

brain tumors

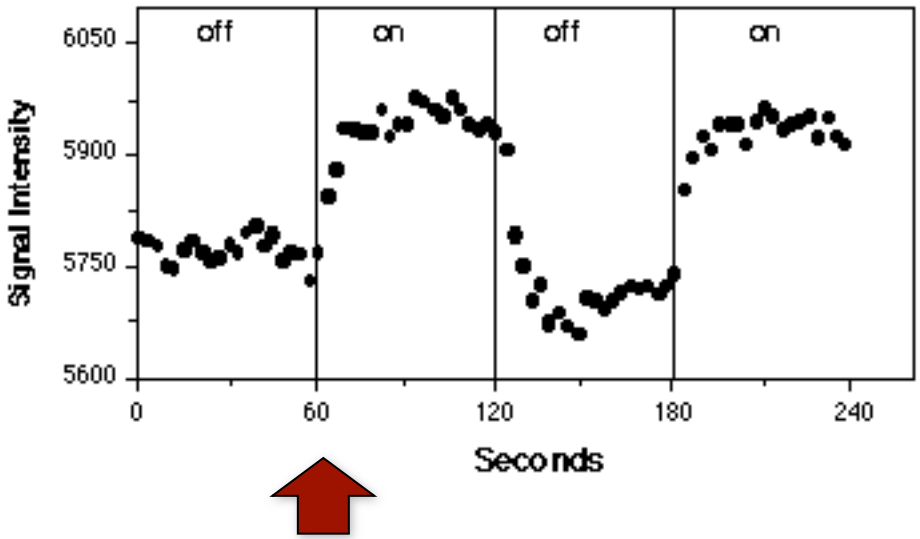
abdomen organs

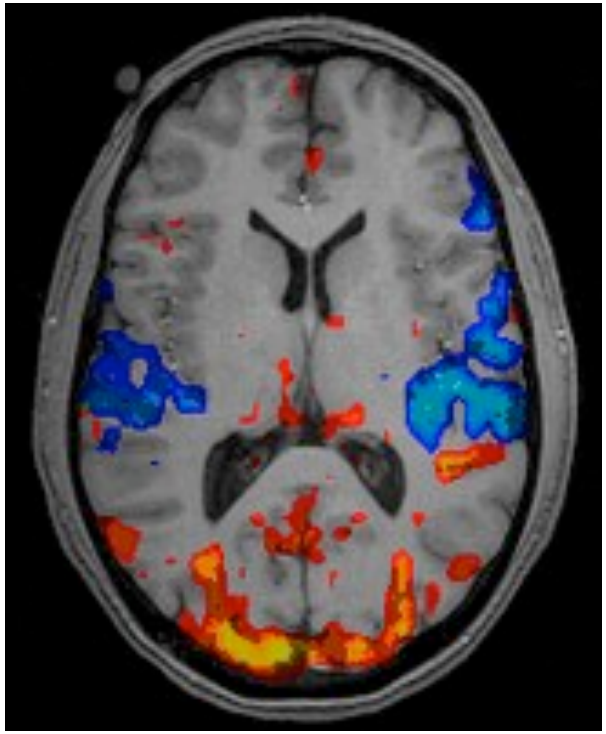
osteoporosis



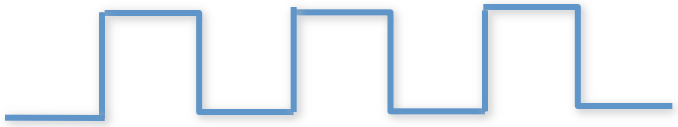
Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI)

Measured brain signal





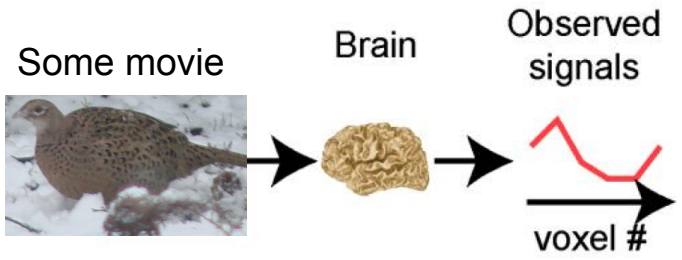
Brain activation map

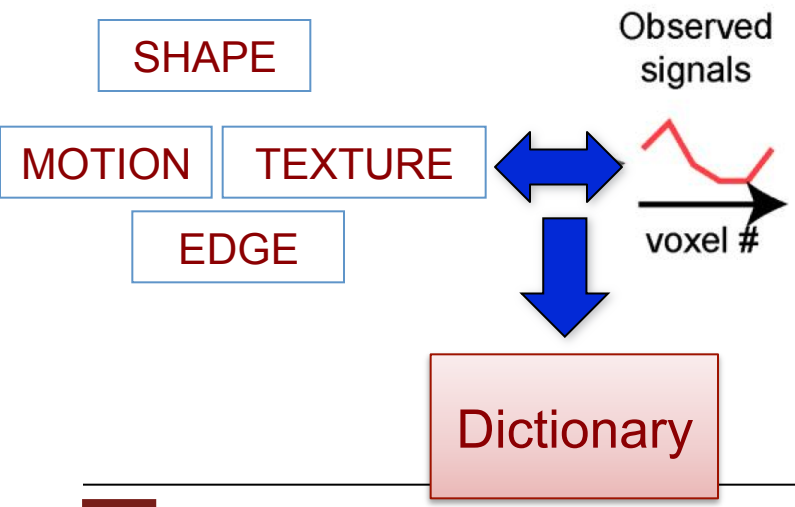


Visual stimulus

Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI)

Reconstructing visual experiences from brain activity evoked by natural movies (The Gallant Lab, UC Berkeley)



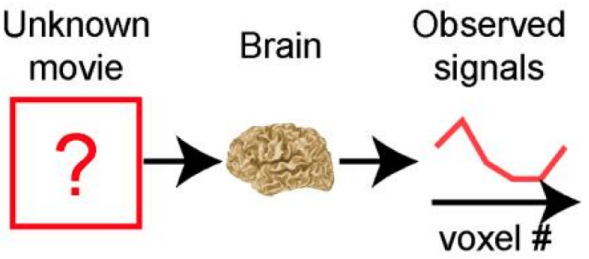


[1] Record brain activity while the subject watches several hours of movie trailers.

[2] Build dictionaries (i.e., regression models) that translate between the shapes, edges and motion in the movies and measured brain activity. A separate dictionary is constructed for each of several thousand points at which brain activity was measured.

Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI)

[3] Record brain activity to a new set of movie trailers that will be used to test the quality of the dictionaries and reconstructions.



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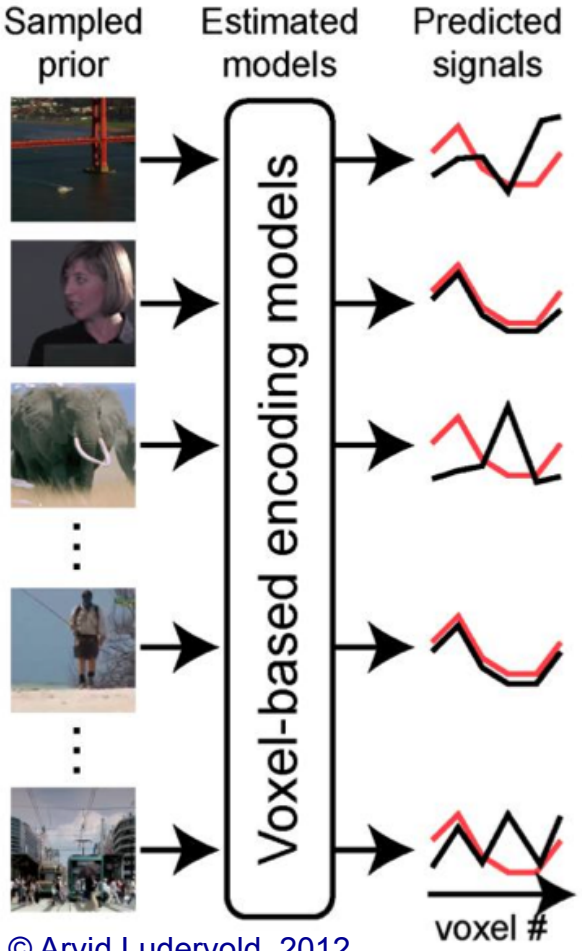
Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI)

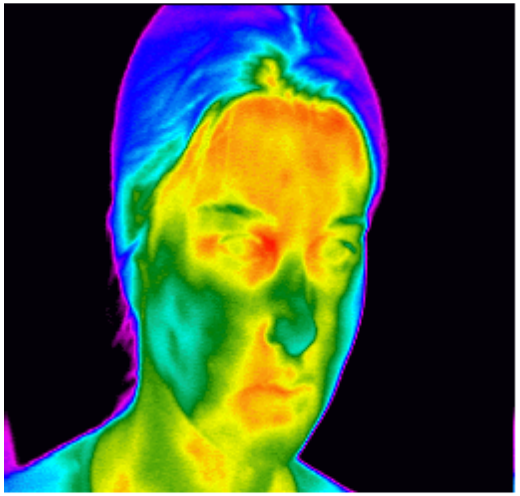
[4] Build a random library of ~18,000,000 seconds (5000 hours) of video downloaded at random from YouTube. (Note these videos have no overlap with the movies that subjects saw in the magnet). Put each of these clips through the dictionaries to generate predictions of brain activity. Select the 100 clips whose predicted activity is most similar to the observed brain activity. Average these clips together. This is the reconstruction.

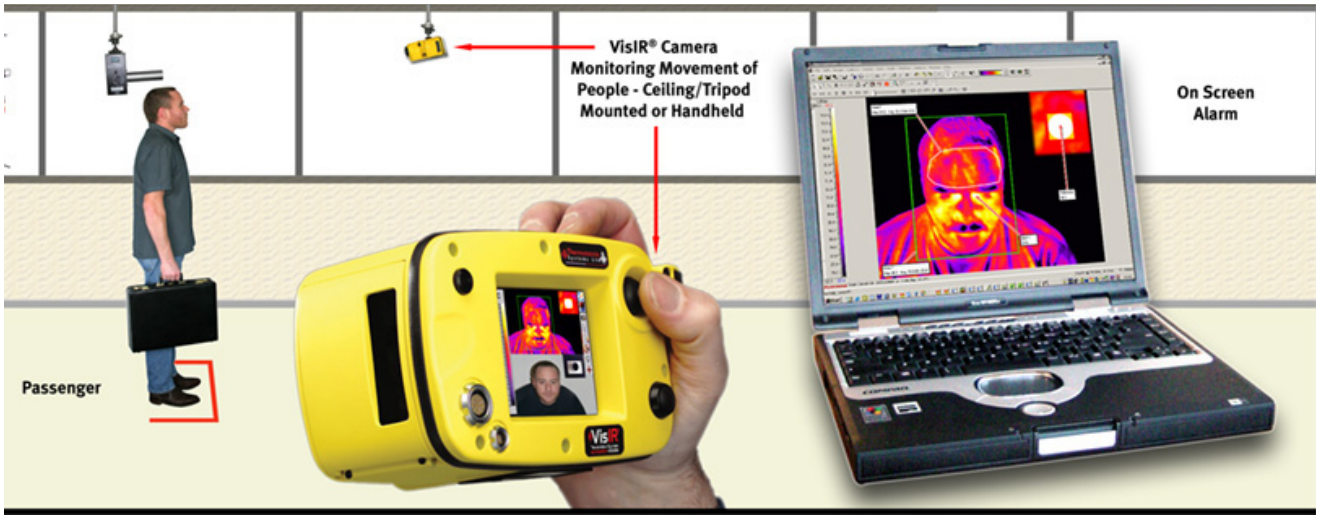
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nsjDnYxJ0bo



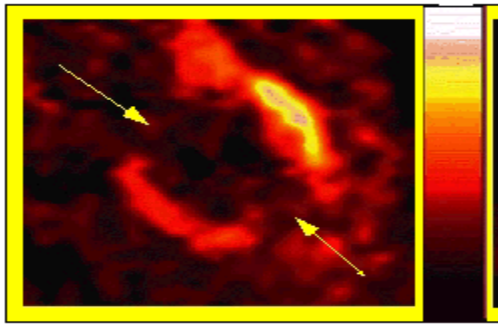
Medical Termography

- low image quality
- complementary procedure to other diagnostic modalities
- non-invasive examination
- low equipment price, mobility





Nuclear Medicine



- different approaches (PET, SPECT, Scintigraphy)
- analysis of molecular changes,
- often together with CT,
- short examination time (limited by half-life disintegration of radioisotope),
- invasive examination,
- high equipment price

Nuclear Medicine

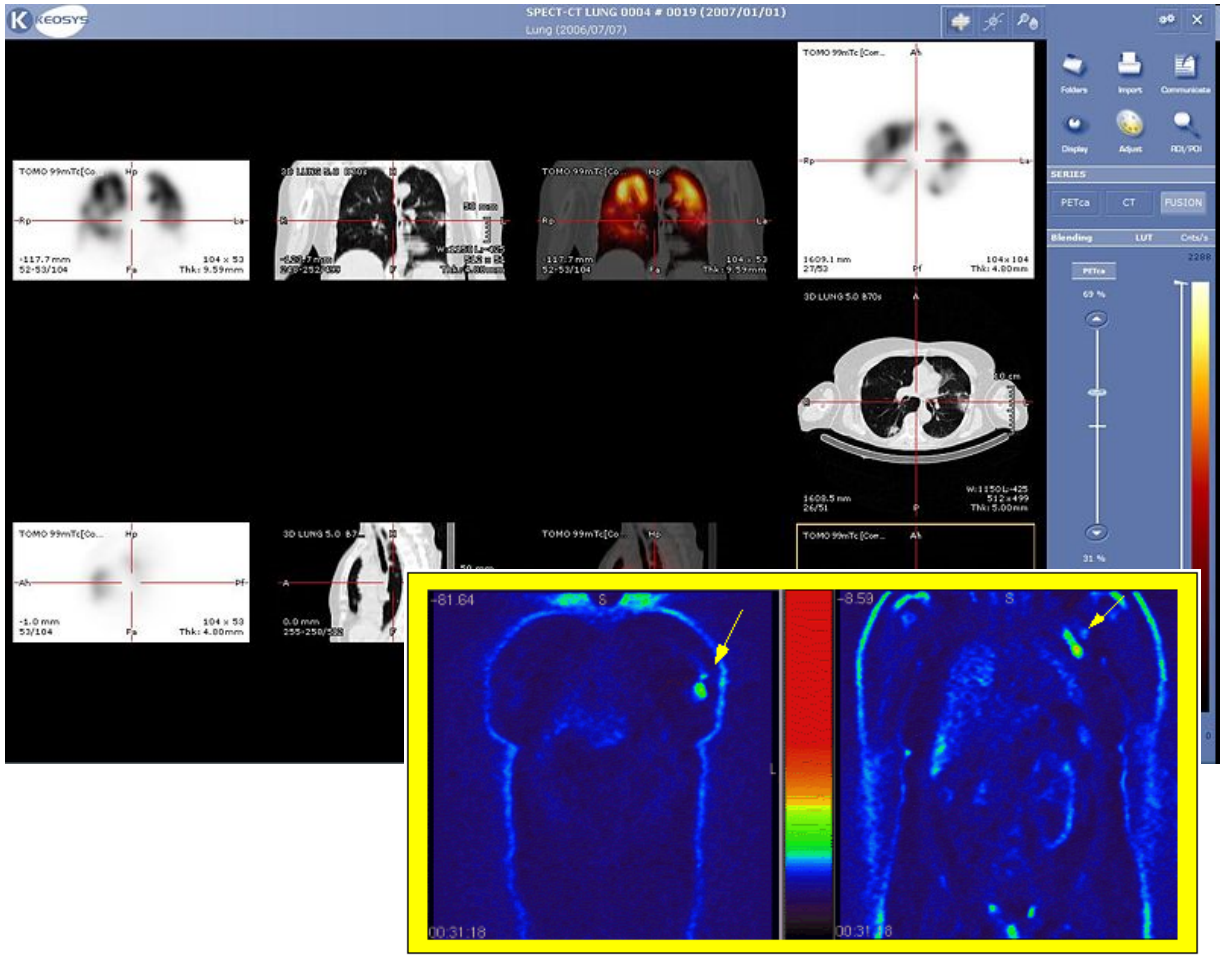
Applications:

almost all medical specialties

Diagnosis:

Huntington, Alzheimer, Parkinson diseases

early stage tumor detection



Endoscopy

- optical images of internal organs,
- additional surgical intervention (laparoscopy),
- endoscopic capsules,
- image processing is necessary,
- invasive examination,
- high equipment price

Endoscopy

Applications:

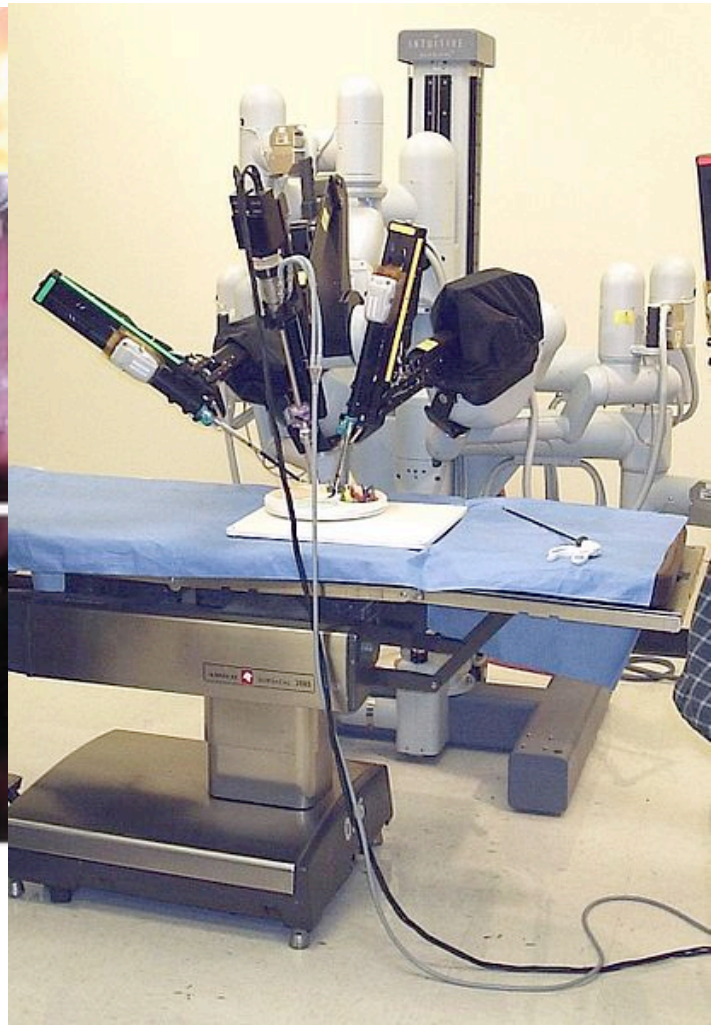
gastrointestinal tract (stomach, intestine, colon)

respiratory tract

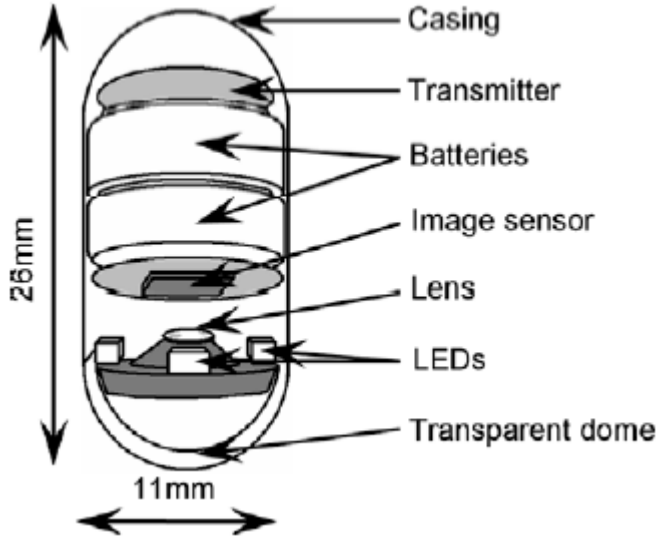
urinary tract

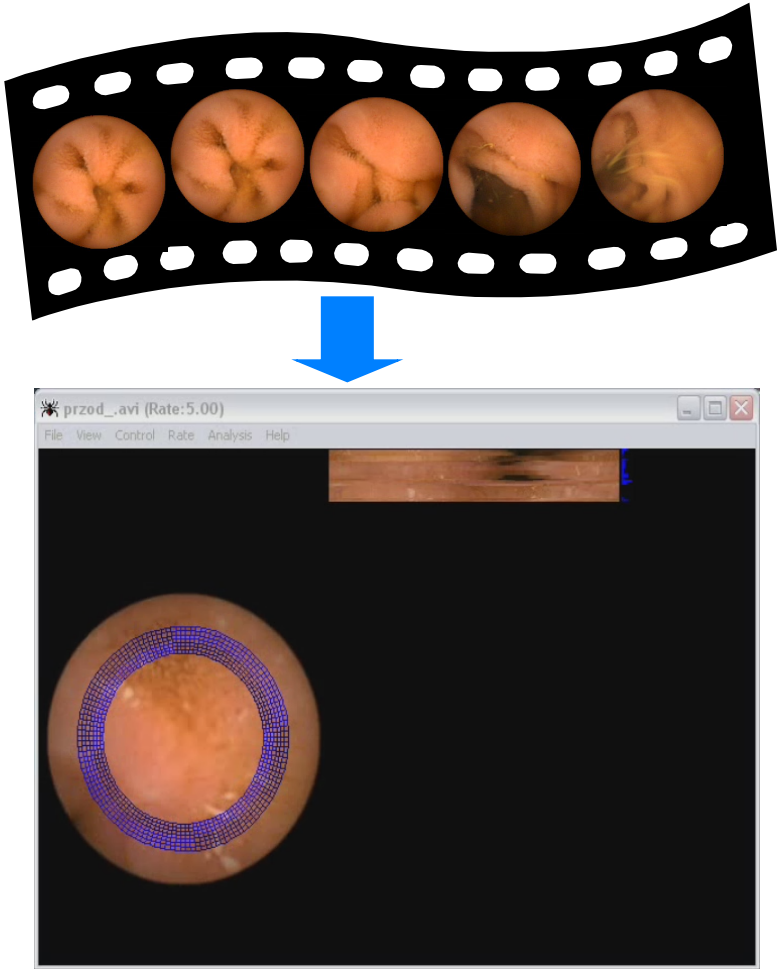
Laparoscopy:

removal of the gallbladder, polyp,…



Endoscopic capsule





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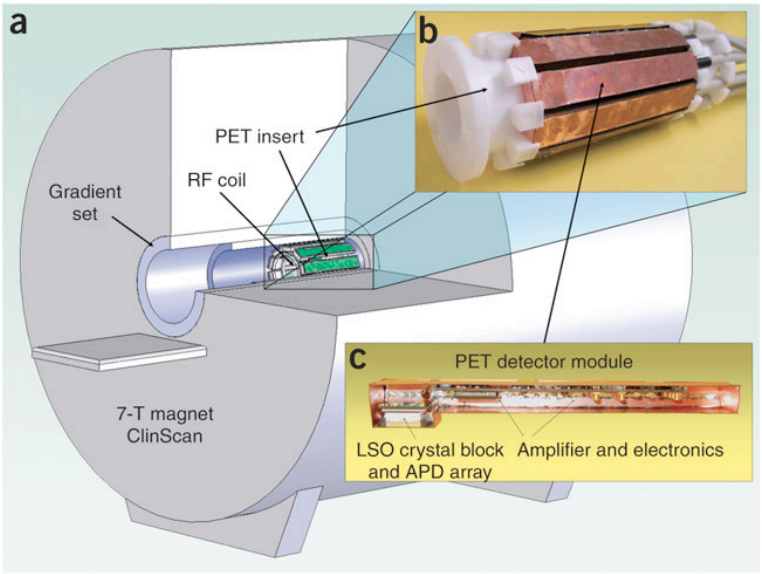
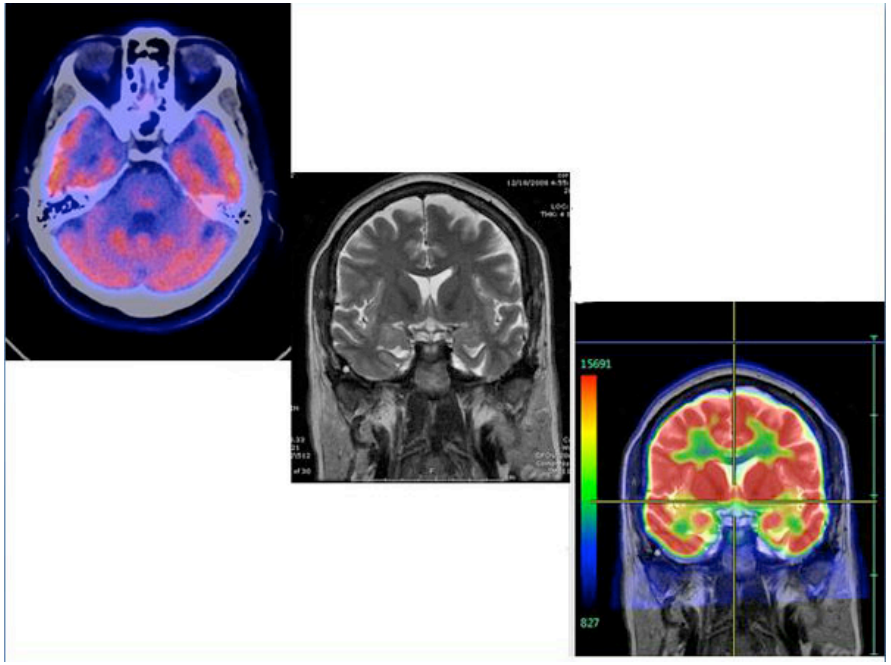
Recent advances: PET + MRI





Imaging device that simultaneously performs positron-emission tomography (PET) and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scans, producing more detailed images than either technique alone and thus providing extended diagnostic information.

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