Title: Importance of shadow in image analysis for computer vision applications

Abstract: Shadow is an essential component in many scenes and ignoring its existence during image analysis leads to decrease in system performance in many computer vision applications. This talk highlights the importance of shadow in image analysis for computer vision applications. In particular, shadows definition, its effect on performance on tracking systems, and classification of shadow detection algorithms will be explained. Additionally, the talk will present the results of a recently published work for shadow detection of buildings in panchromatic satellite images.

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