

Shape Recognition for Multi-Touch Table

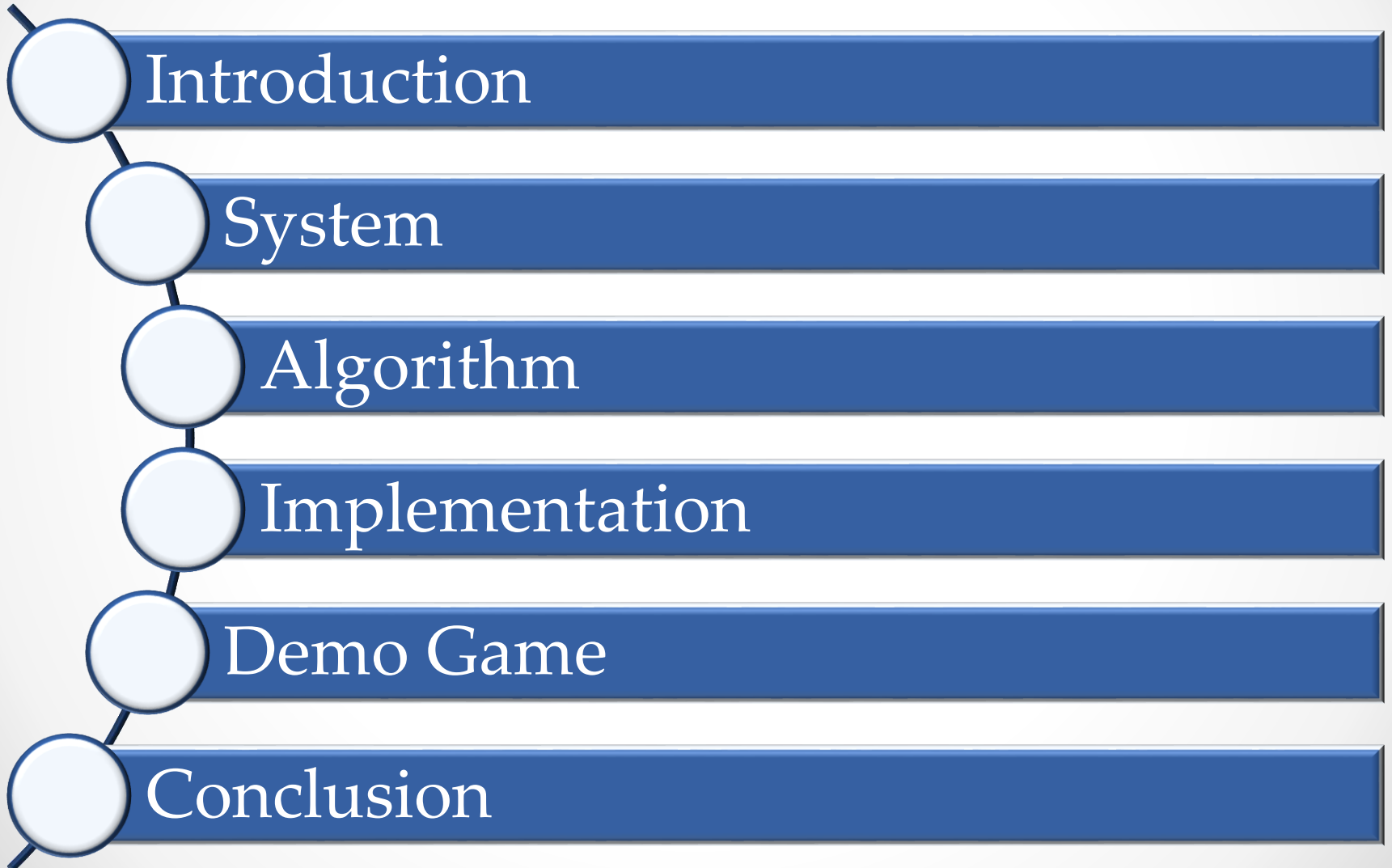
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Outline



Background

- Multi-touch is starting to appear in every day computers
- New User Interfaces (NUI) are extensively pursued



Motivation

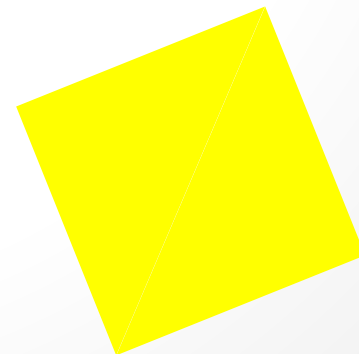
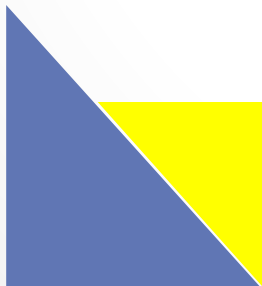
- Existing multi-touch surfaces are expensive
- Current technology is unable to recognize shapes
- Shape recognition enhances user interface

Goals

- Design a shape recognition algorithm
- Track and recognize combined shapes
- Integrate into open-source environment
- Real-Time performance

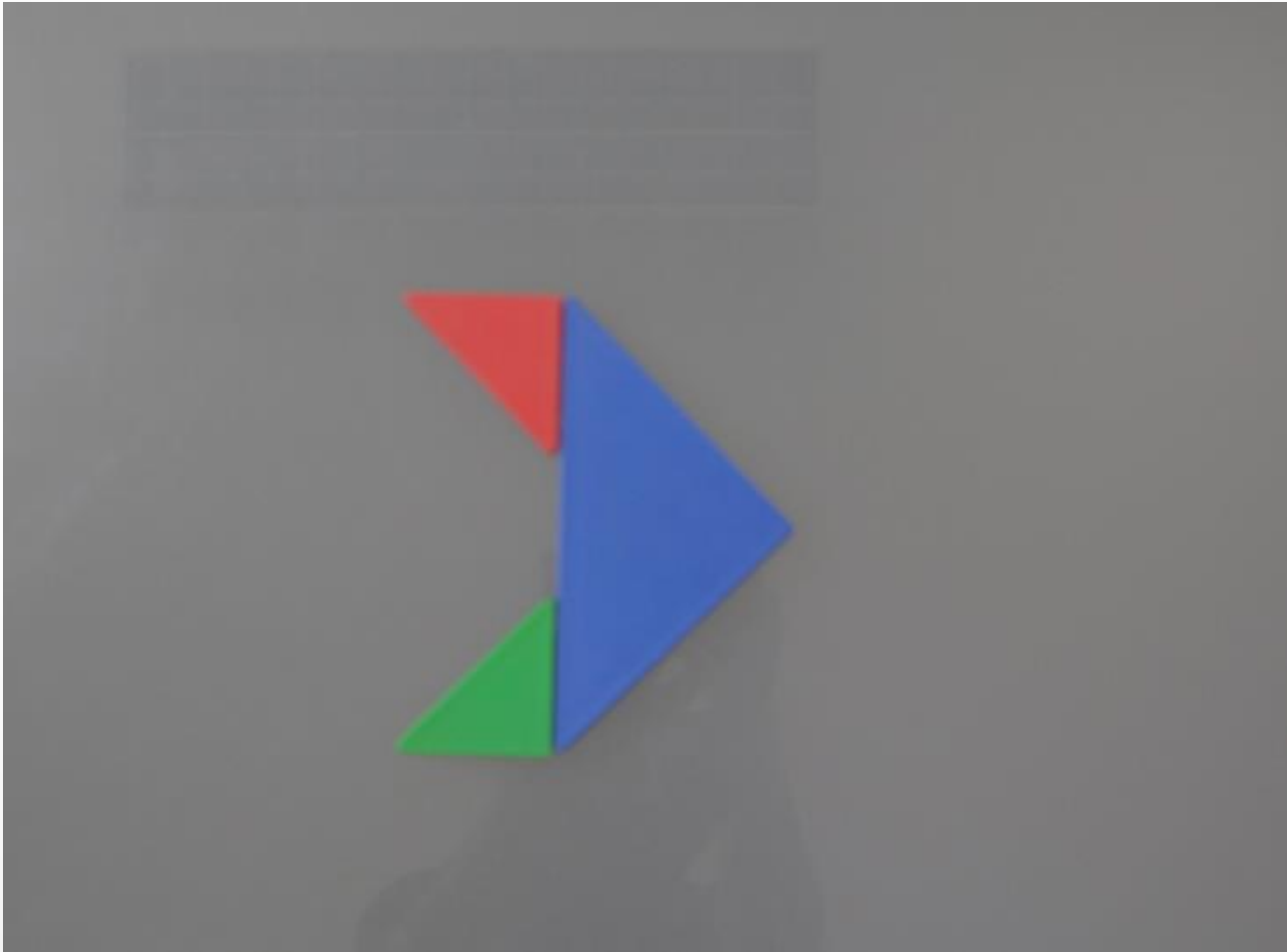
Challenges

- Noisy input image
- Real-time constrains
- Implementing into open-source environment
- Creating a complete system solution
- Shape combinations and movement

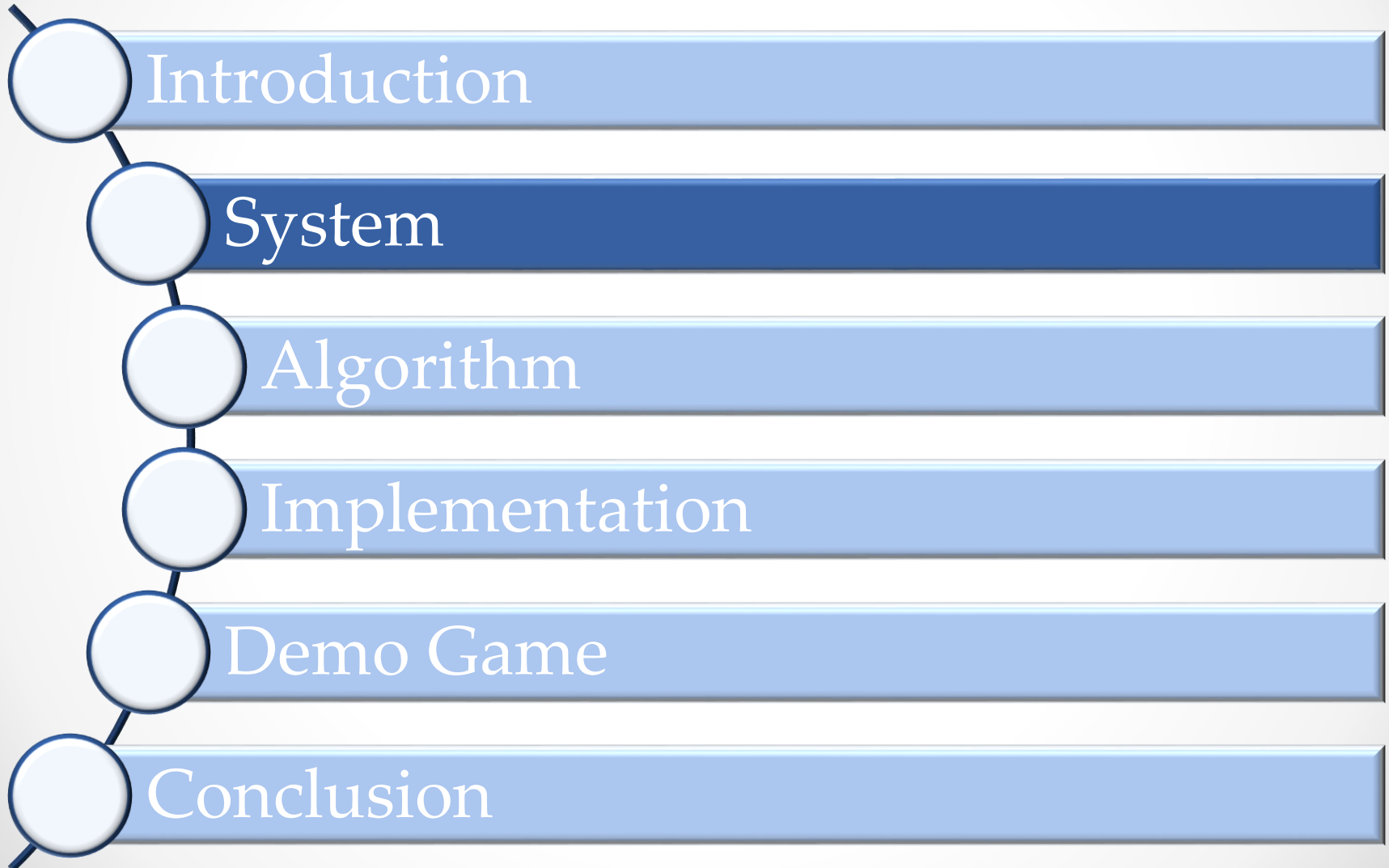


Challenges (cont.)

- Reinforcement learning

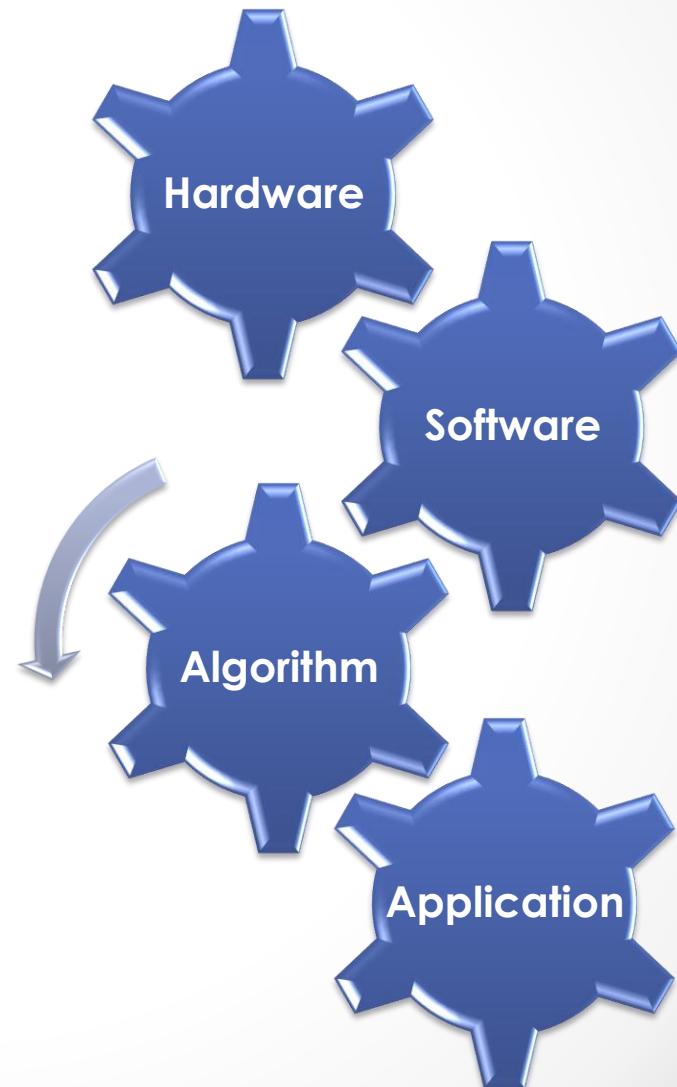


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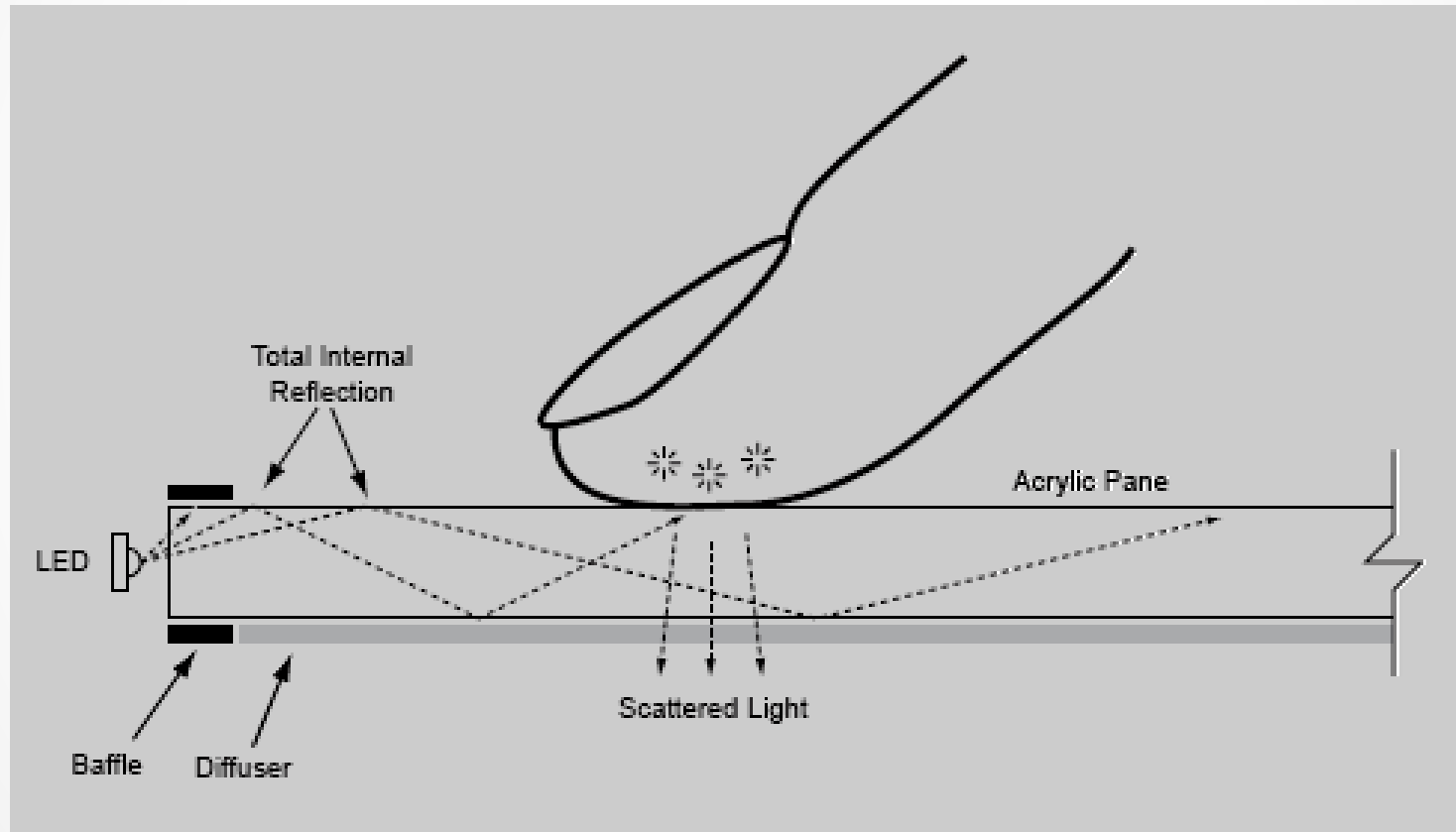


System

- Hardware
 - Multi-Touch Table
 - FTIR Technology
- Software
 - Community Core Vision
 - Client / Server Model
- Algorithm
 - Image Processing
 - Shape Detection
 - Tracking
- Application
 - Game



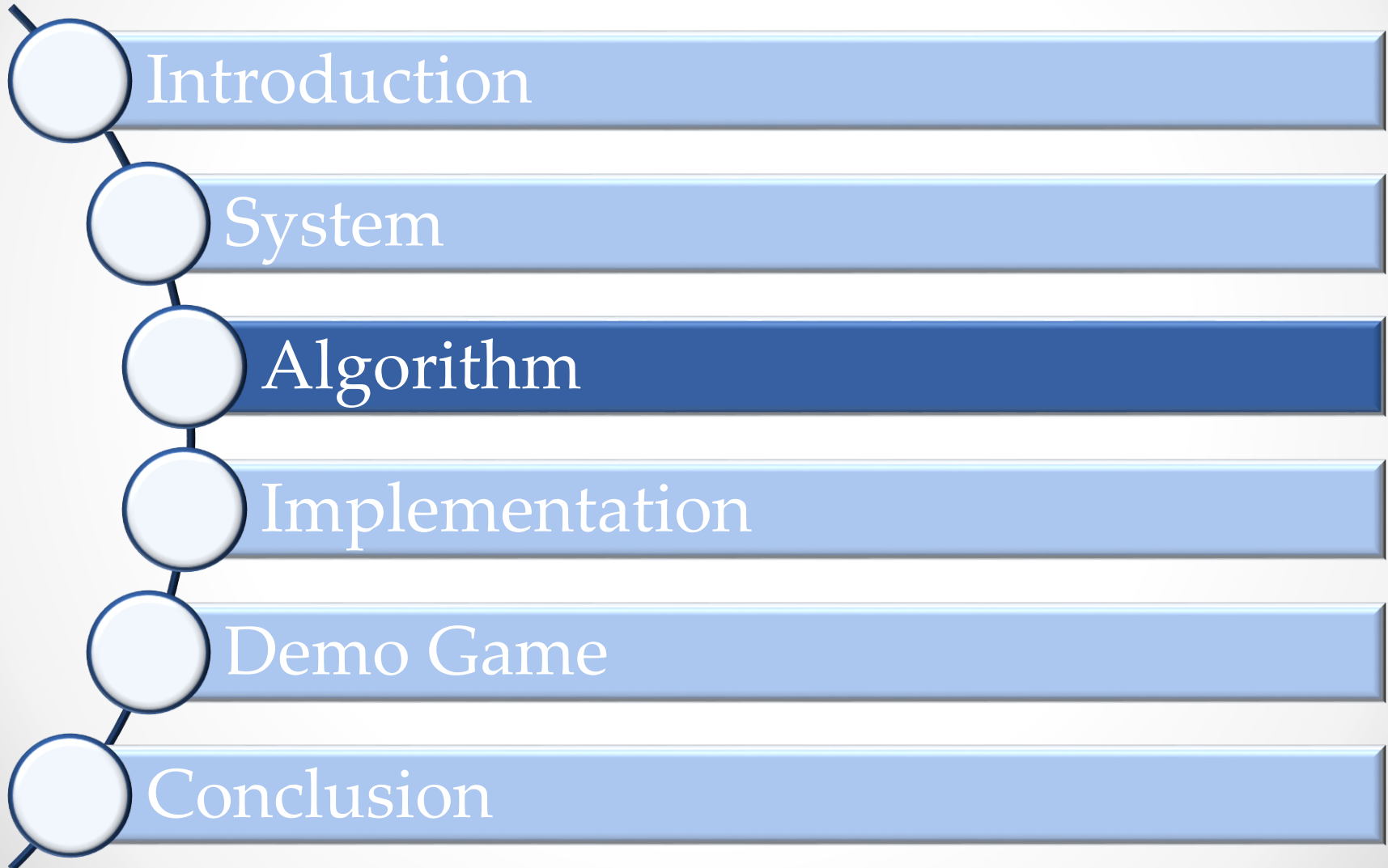
Frustrated Total Internal Reflection



Multi-Touch Table

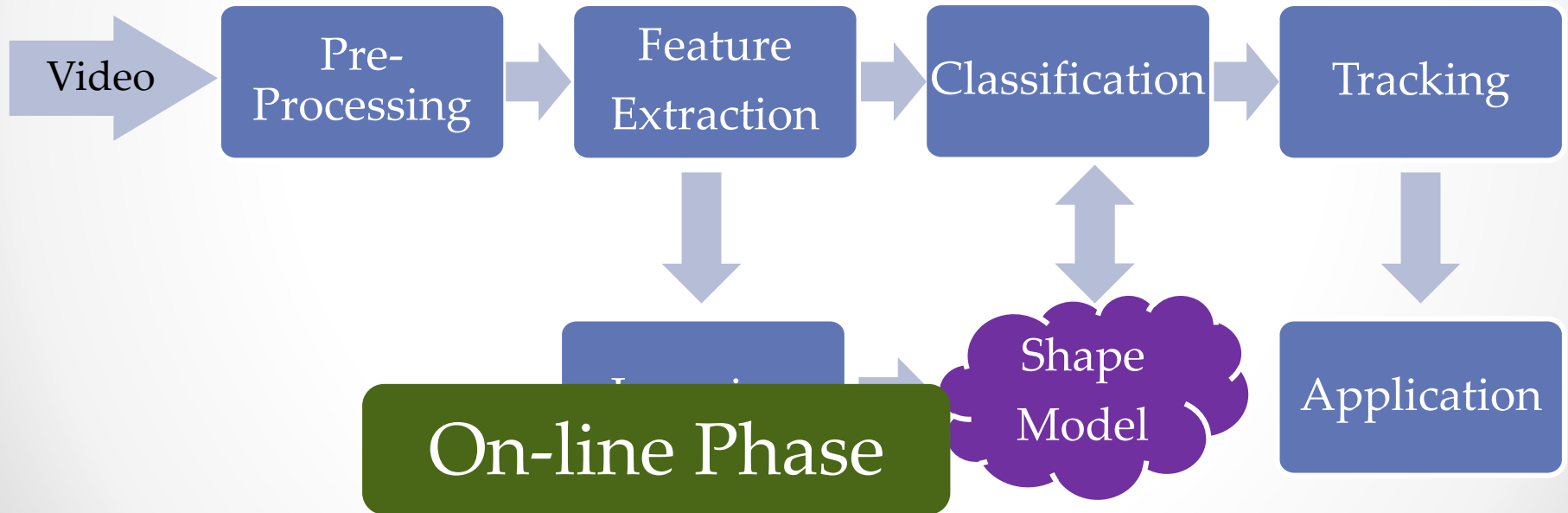


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Shape Recognition

Learning Phase



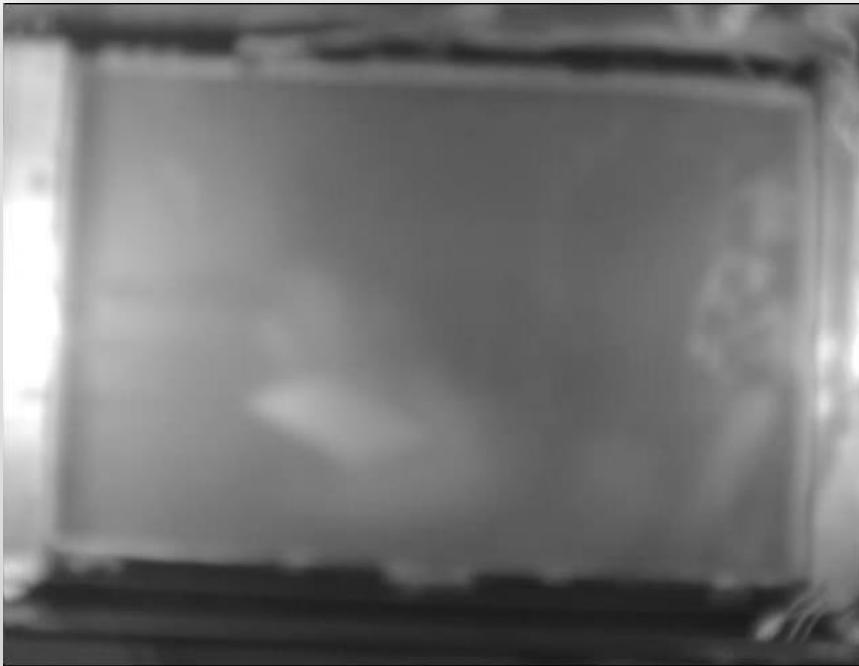
Pre-Processing

- Cropping
- Stitching
- Background removal
- Noise filtering
- Thresholding
- Segmentation

- Global thresholding leads to inconsistent performance
- Each frame has a different dynamic range
- Solution: Adaptive thresholding

Pre-processing (cont.)

IR input

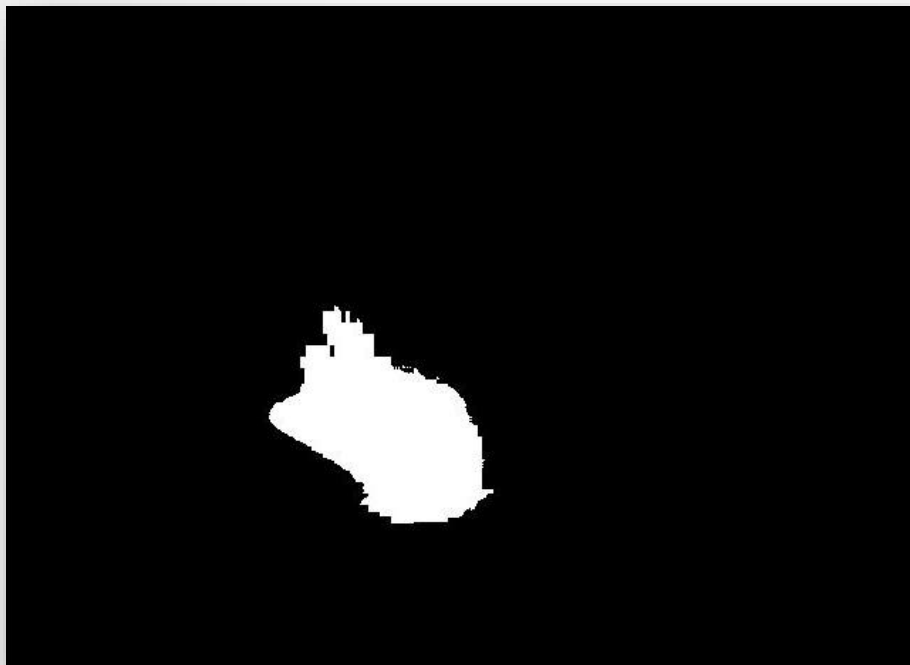


Background removed



Pre-processing (cont.)

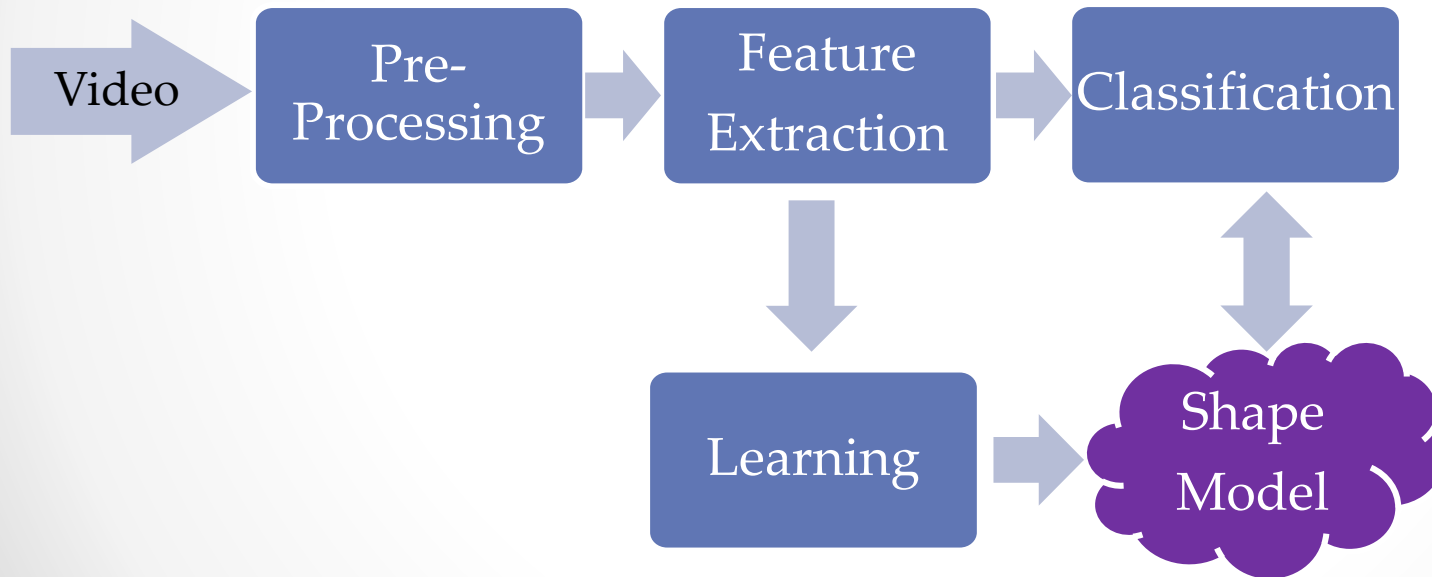
Global threshold



Adaptive threshold

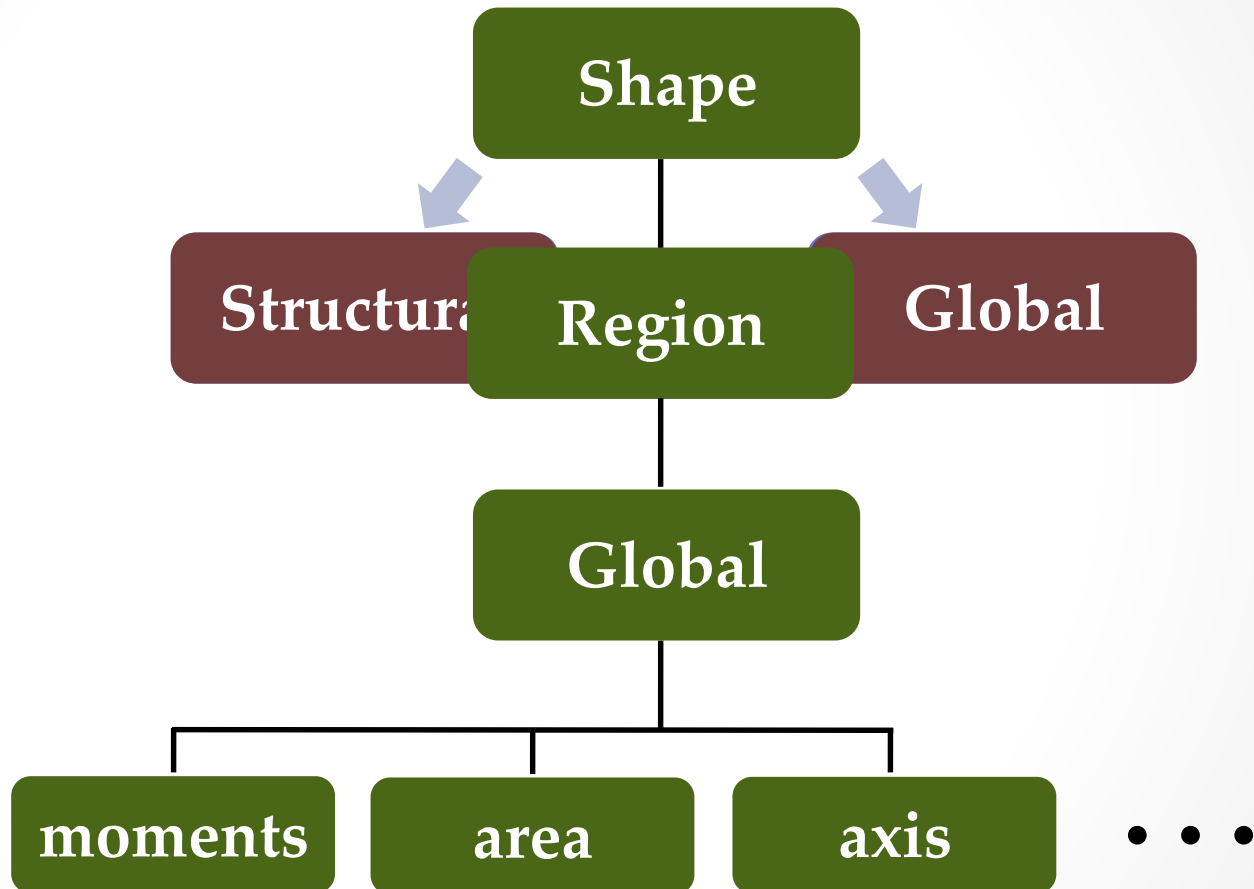


Shape Recognition



Feature Extraction

➤ Shape features



Candidate Features

- Area
- Major & minor axis
- Orientation
- Eccentricity
- 6 Hu moments
- 7 complex moments

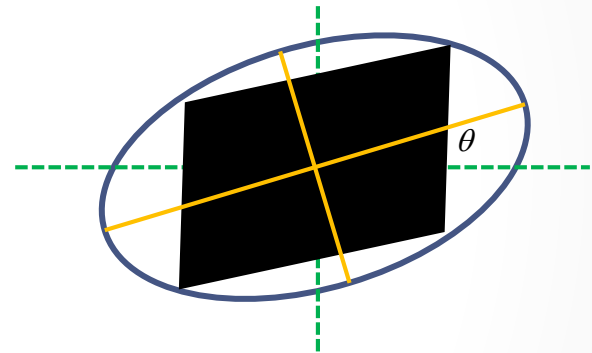


Image Moments

- Complex moments:

$$C_{pq} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x + iy)^p (x - iy)^q \chi(x, y) dx dy$$

$\chi(x, y)$ - image indicator function

- Moments are centralized for translation invariance

Rotation Invariance

- In polar coordinates:

$$c_{pq} = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{2\pi} r^{p+q+1} e^{i(p-q)\theta} \chi(r, \theta) dr d\theta$$

- Rotation by α

$$c'_{pq} = e^{i(p-q)\alpha} c_{pq}$$

- In general

$$I = \prod_{j=1}^N c_{p_j q_j}^{k_j}$$

- Which leads to

$$\sum_{j=0}^n k_j (p_j - q_j) = 0$$

Hu Moments

- Seven rotation and translation invariant moments
- Useful for visual pattern recognition
- Rotation invariance via complex moments

$$\varphi_1 = c_{11}$$

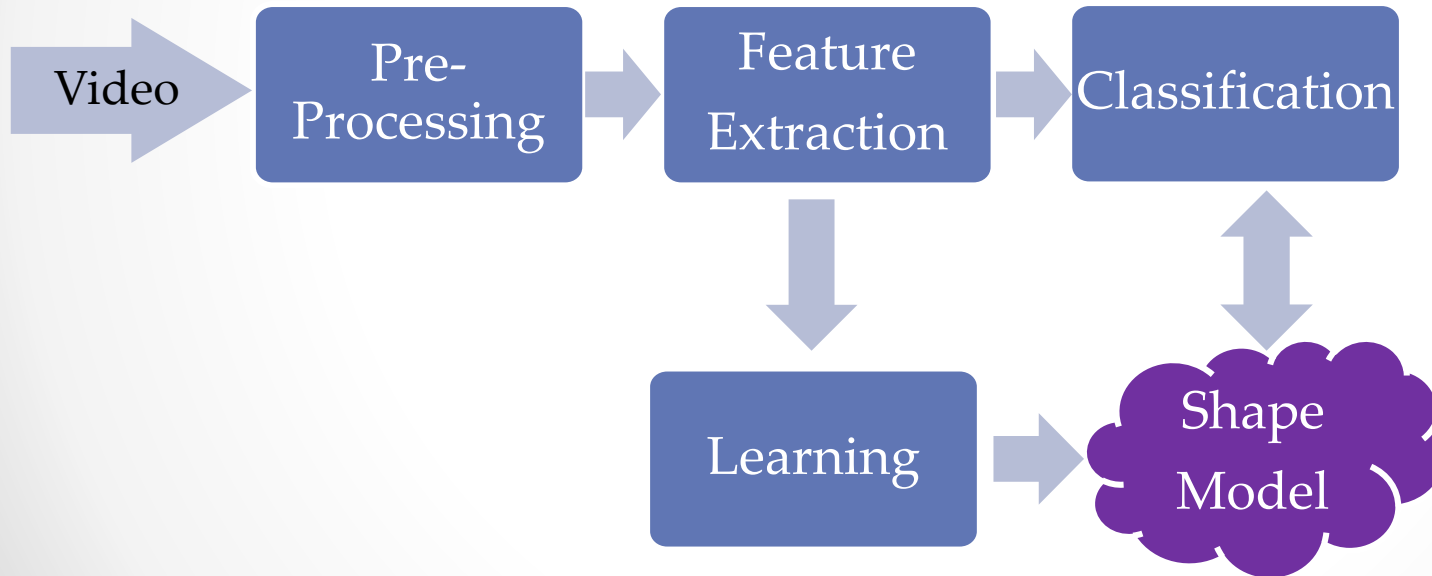
$$\varphi_2 = c_{20} \cdot c_{02}$$

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[Hu, 1962]

[Flusser, Suk & Zitová, 2009]

Shape Recognition



Learning

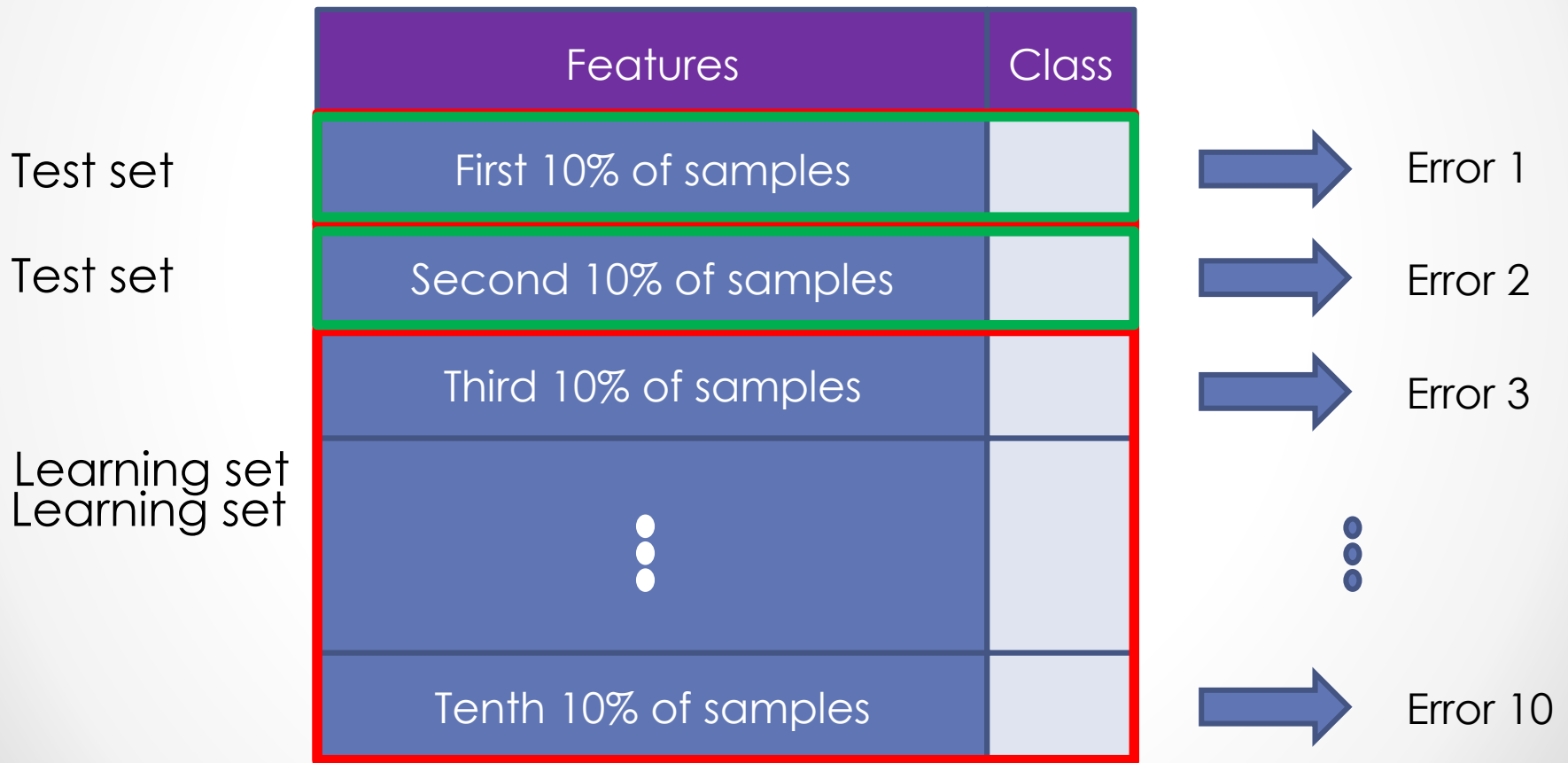
➤ Feature selection

➤ Shape model

- Many features \Rightarrow high computation
- Dimensionality reduction required
- Extract features at various locations
- Approx. 50 samples per shape
- Independent Gaussian model

Feature Selection

- Exhaustive algorithm based on cross-validation



Result: $e_{total} = \text{mean} \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{10}\}$

Feature Selection (cont.)

- Initialization
 - Set $n=1$ feature(s) out of a total of N features
- Step
 - Calculate e_{total}^n for all possible combinations $\binom{N}{n}$
 - Set $n=n+1$
- Stopping condition
 - When $e_{total}^{n+1} > e_{total}^n - \epsilon$

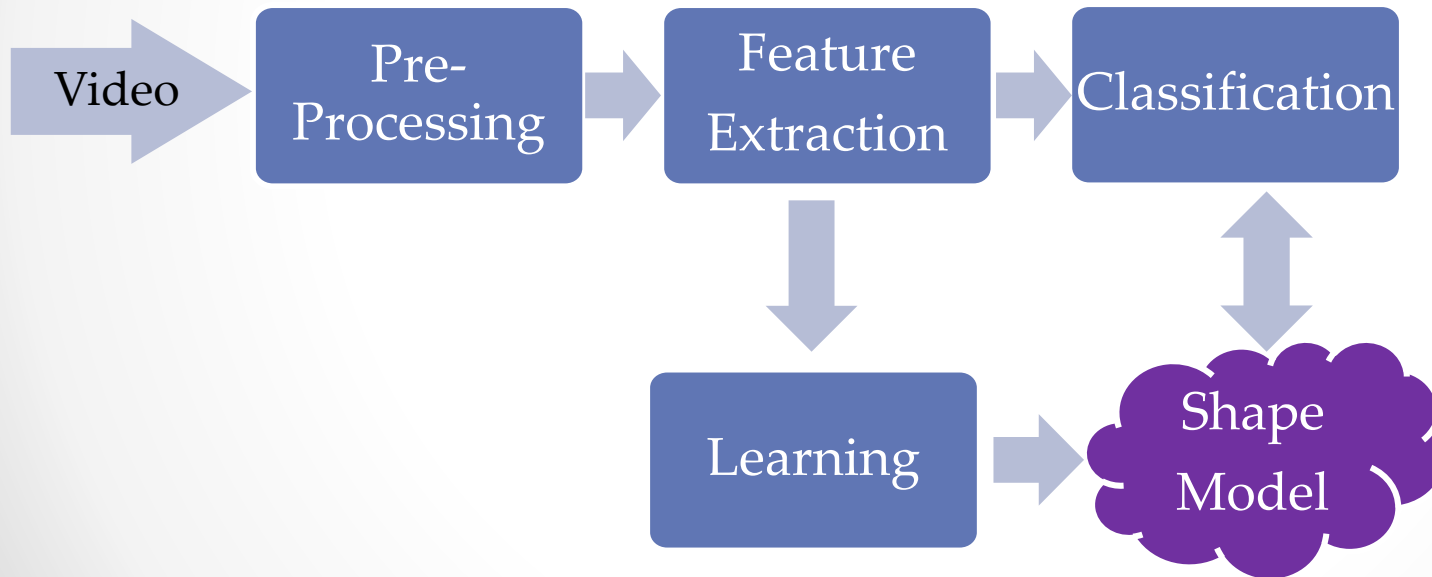
Feature Selection (cont.)

- Chosen features:
 - Area
 - Major & minor axis
 - Eccentricity
 - 4 Hu moments: φ_1 , φ_4 , φ_6 , φ_7
- Empirical selection
- Similar to other shape recognition works

[Hu, 1962]

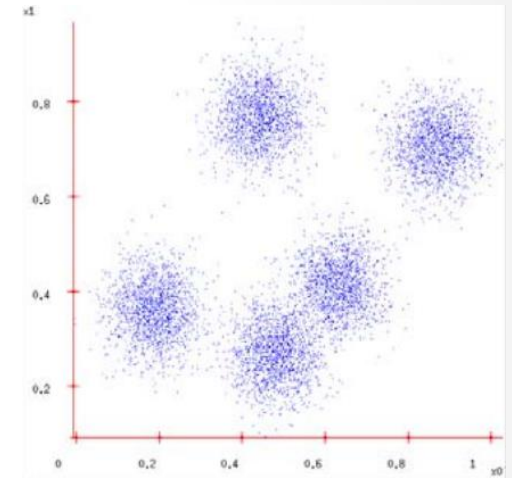
[Sarfraz, 1993]

Shape Recognition



Classification

- Independent Gaussian distributions
- Naïve Bayes Classifier
- For each shape s_j and feature f_i
assume: $p(f_i | s_j) \propto N(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$



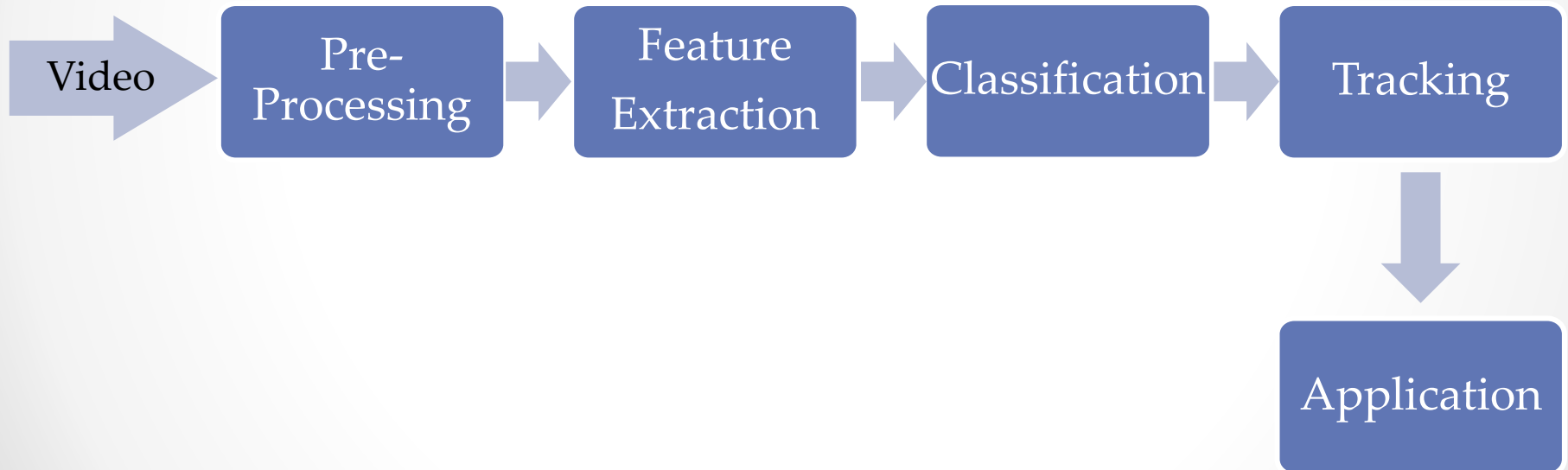
$$p(s_j | f_1, \dots, f_m) \propto p(s_j) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^m p(f_i | s_j)$$

$$\hat{s} = \underset{s_j}{\text{classify}}(f_1, \dots, f_m) = \underset{s_j}{\text{argmax}} p(s_j | f_1, \dots, f_m)$$

Naïve Bayes Classifier

- Advantages:
 - Generic
 - Fast
 - Allows thresholding
 - Good performance
- Disadvantages:
 - Long offline learning process

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Tracking

➤ NN tracking

➤ Combined shapes

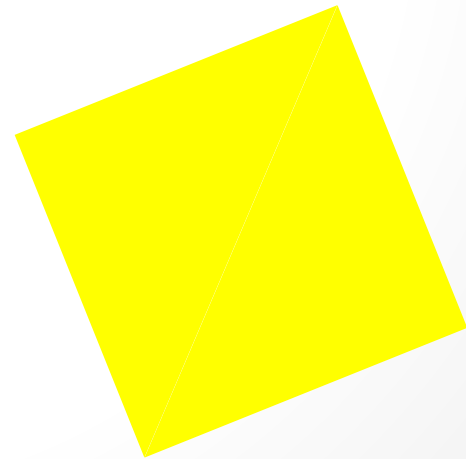
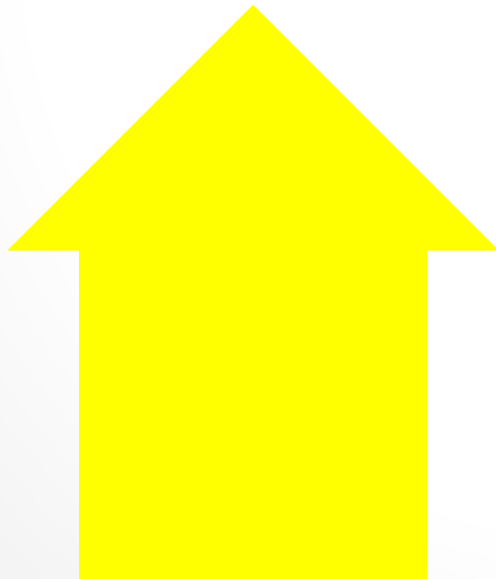
➤ Internal movement

➤ False positive detection

- Nearest neighbors tracking
- Simplifies data handling
- Prevents false detections
- Allows complex situations
 - Shape combinations
 - Internal movement in a combination

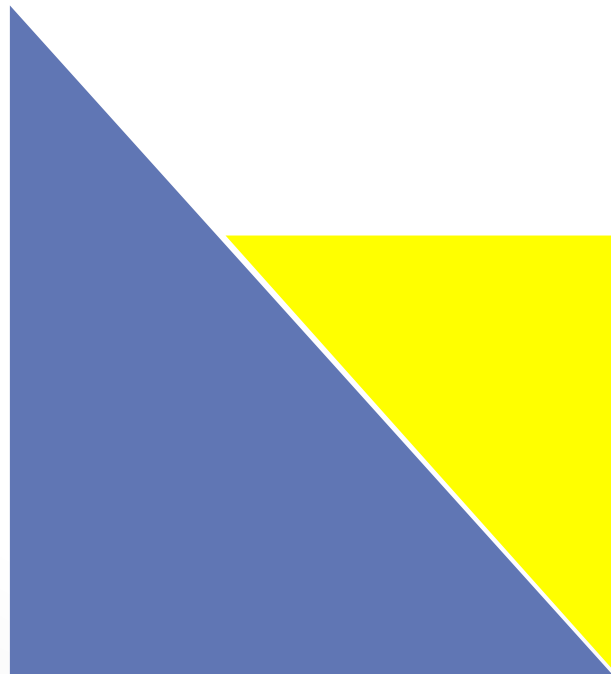
Complex Situations

- Shape combinations can appear as one (legitimate) shape
- Possible classification mistakes:

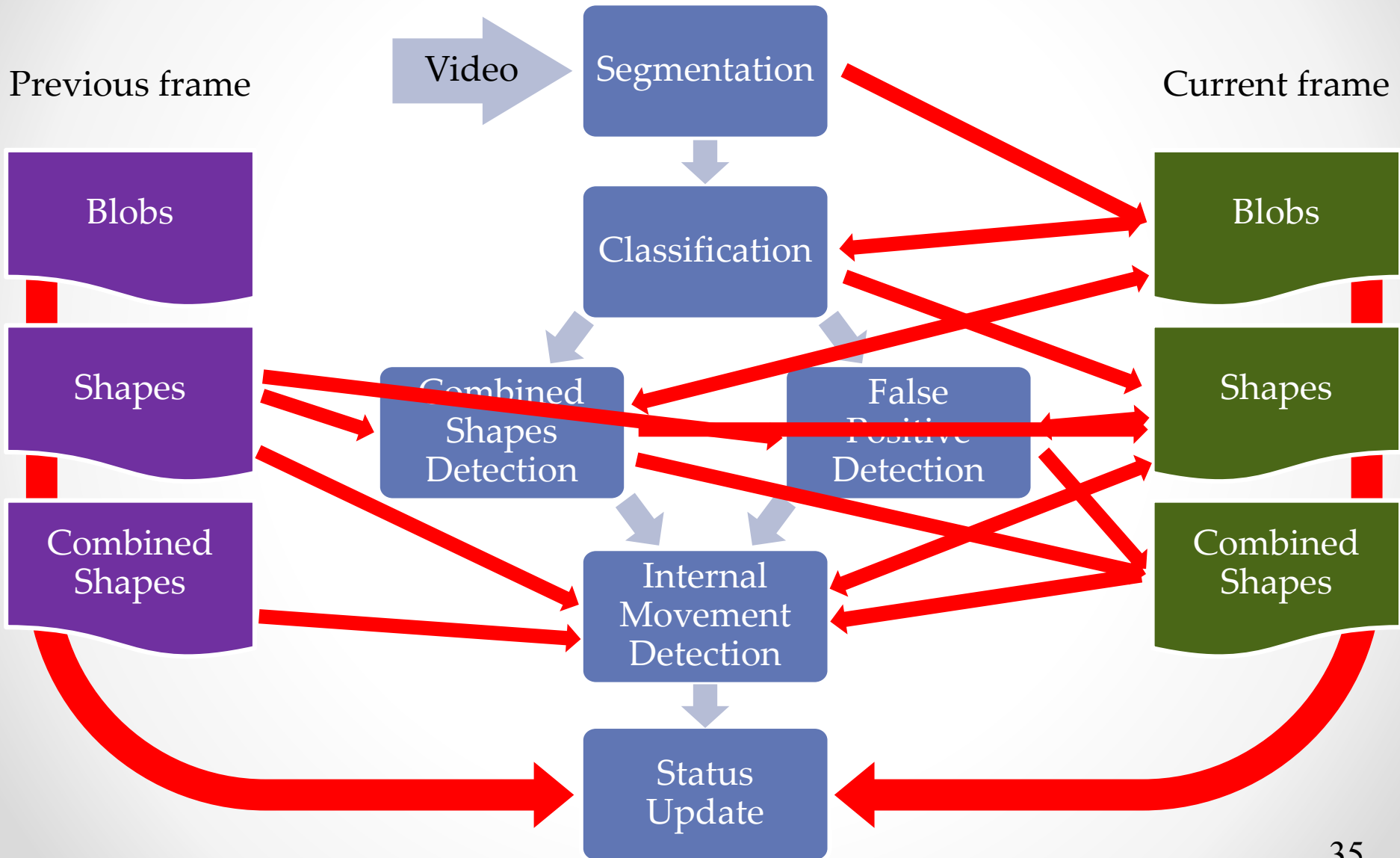


Internal Shape Movement

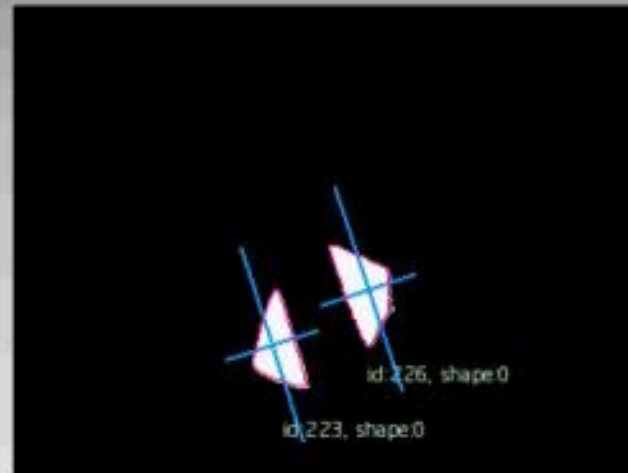
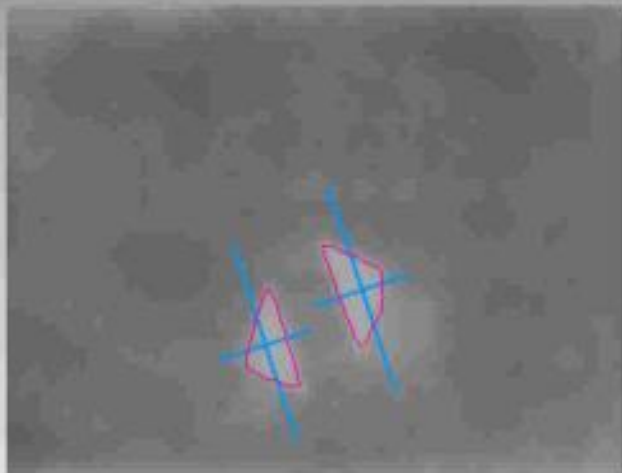
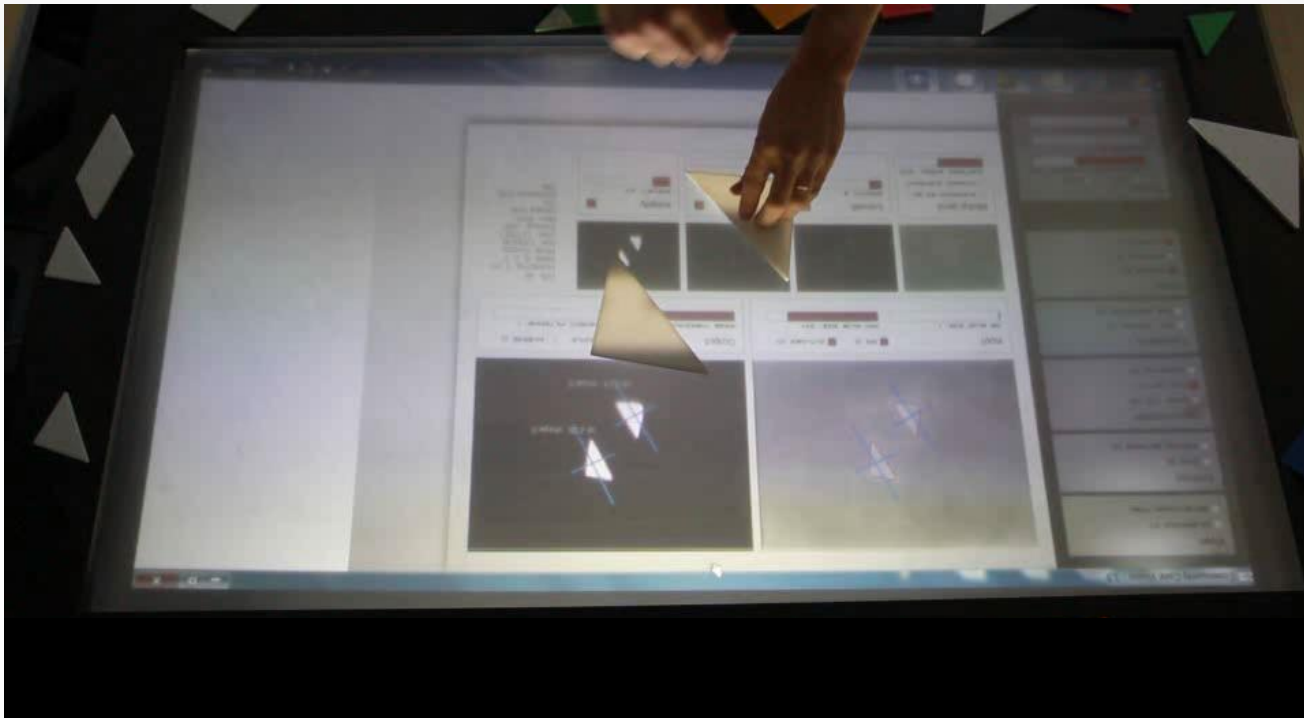
- Complex shape modification
- Combined shape structure is maintained



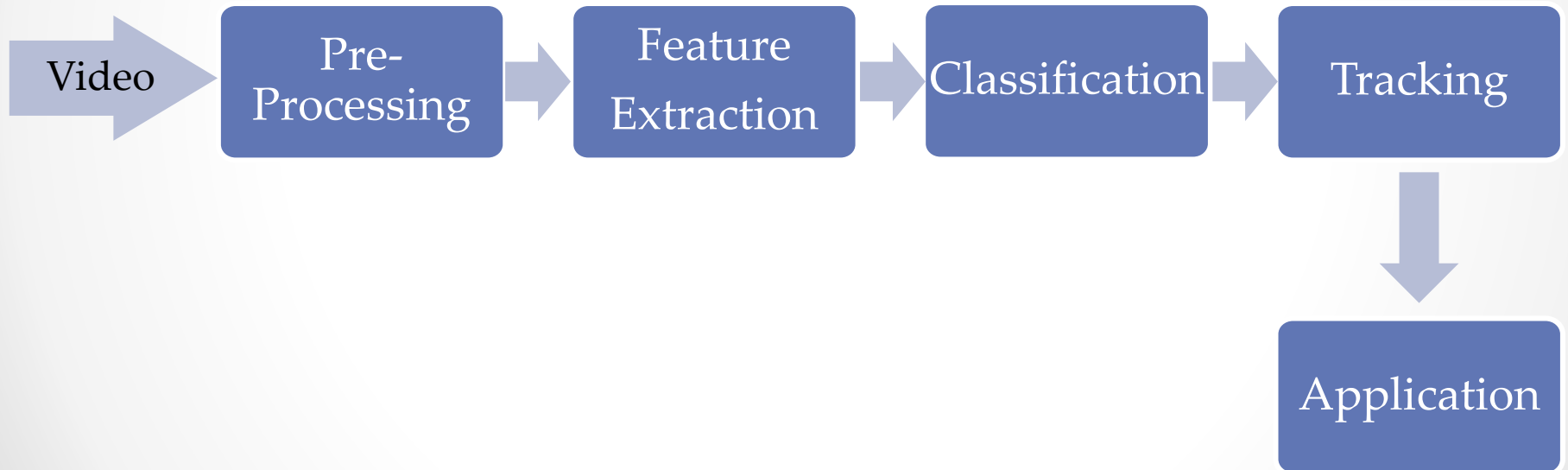
Tracking



Complex Situations



Shape Recognition



Application

- Client / Server
- Data transfer protocol

- Many possible applications
- Client / Server model established
- Community Core Vision
- Tangible User Interface Objects (TUIO) protocol for data transfer

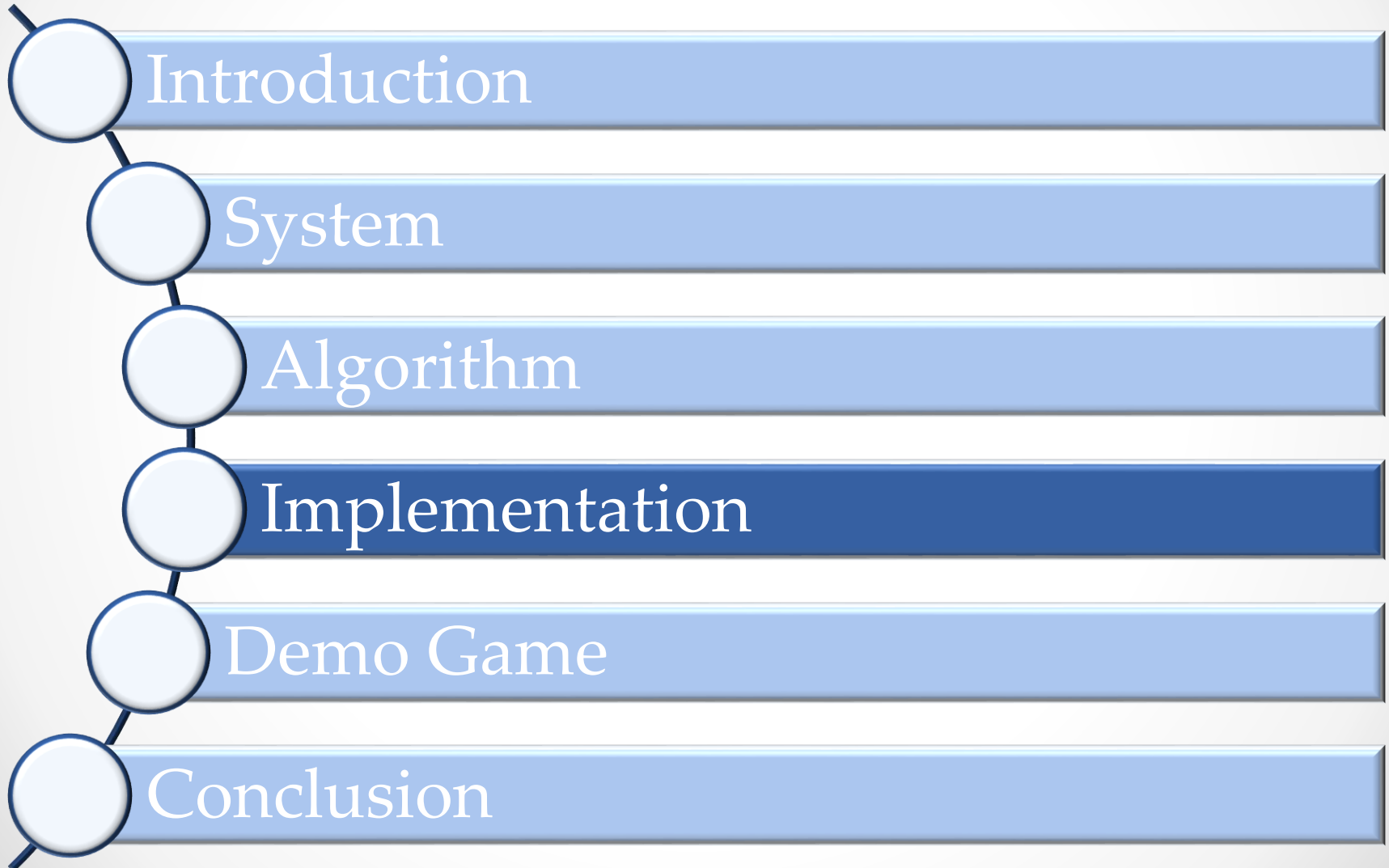
Community Core Vision

- Open-source / cross-platform solution for computer vision and machine sensing
- Supports multi-touch input
- Supports multi-camera feed
- Commonly used by developers

TUIO Protocol

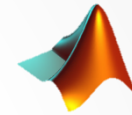
- Open framework communication protocol and API for tangible multi-touch surfaces
- Supports various multi-touch information
 - Location
 - Orientation
 - Acceleration
 - ...
- Commonly used with Community Core Vision

Outline



Implementation

- Simulations (Matlab)



- Implemented into CCV (C++)

- Adaptive thresholding
- Learning process
- Classification
- Shape tracking
- Import / export classifiers
- Additions to GUI

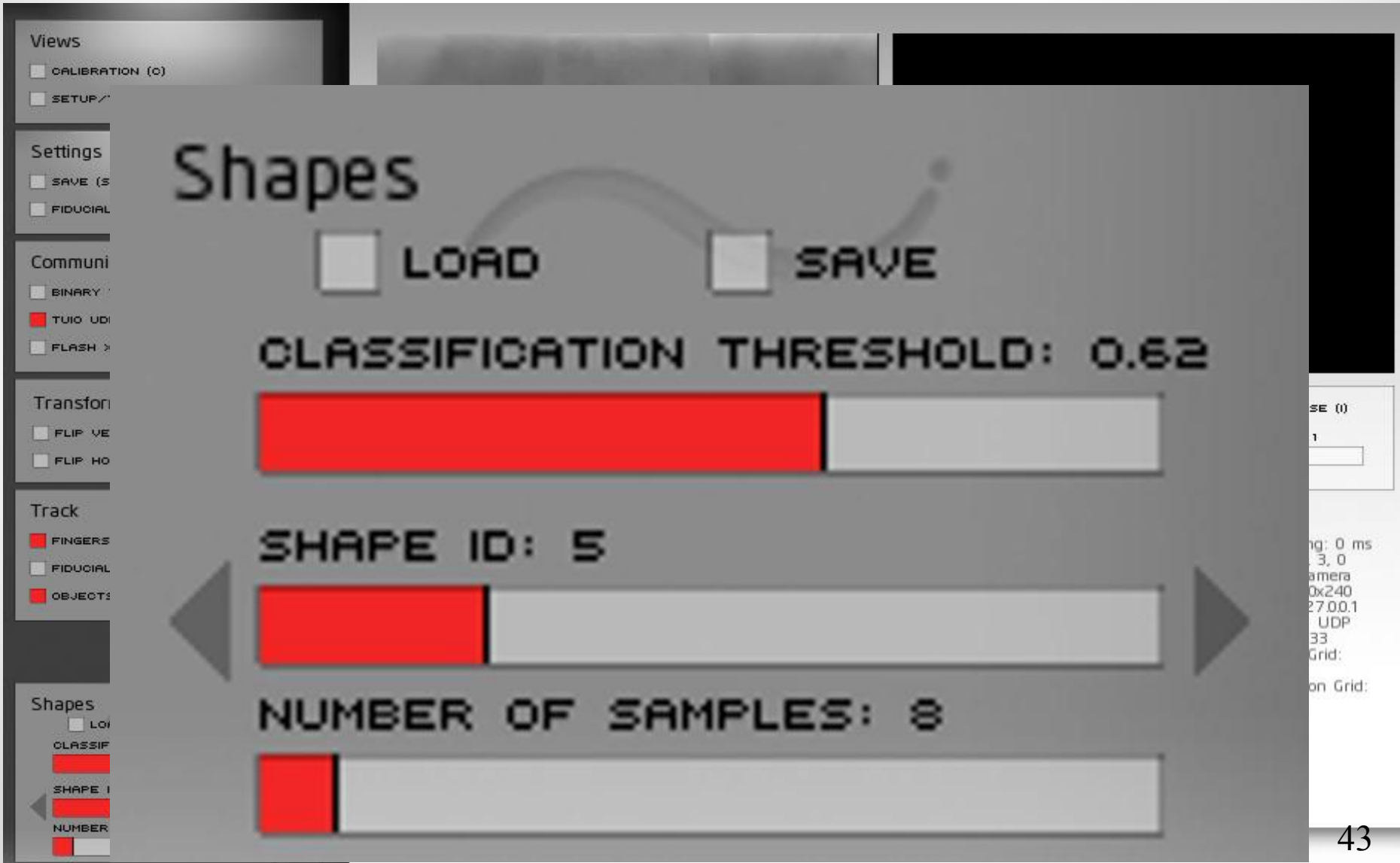


- Implemented into TUIO (C++ & C#)

- Sending shape information
- Distinguishing between touch and shape



Graphical User Interface



Learning

The interface is divided into several sections:

- Views:** Includes checkboxes for 'CALCULATION: ON' and 'RENDERING: (FMS)'.
Settings: Includes checkboxes for 'SHOW: ON' and 'MOUSE: SETTINGS: ON'.
Communication: Includes checkboxes for 'SHOW: TOP: ON', 'FILE: OPEN: ON', and 'SLIDE: ON: ON'.
Transforms: Includes checkboxes for 'FLIP: VERTICAL: ON' and 'FLIP: HORIZONTAL: ON'.
Track: Includes checkboxes for 'TRACK: ON', 'MOUSE: ON', and 'KEYBOARD: ON'.
Slides: Includes checkboxes for 'LOAD' and 'SAVE', a 'CLASSIFICATION THRESHOLD: 0.5' slider, 'IMAGE ID: 0', and 'NUMBER OF SLIDES: 0'.

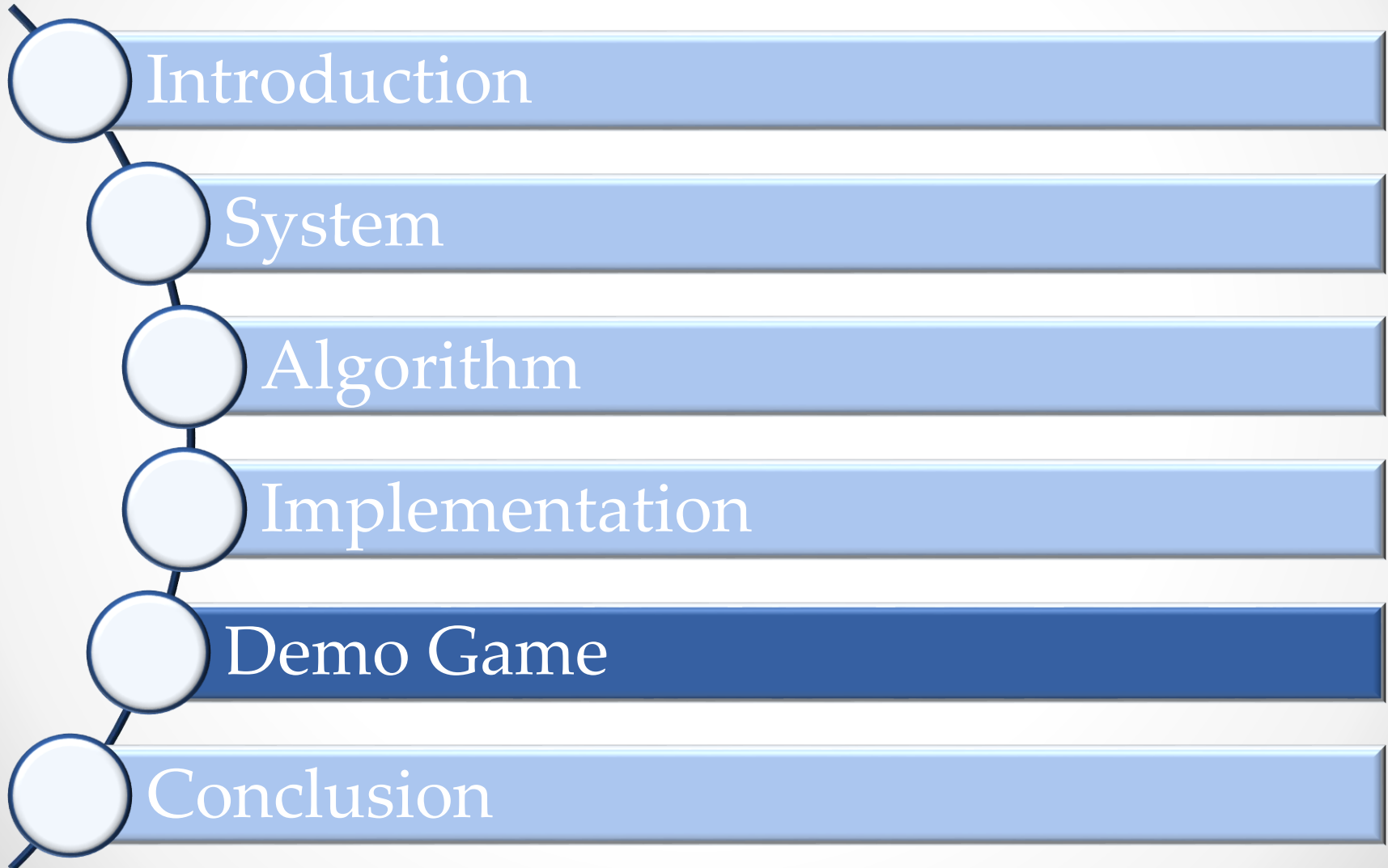
The central workspace shows:

- Input:** A grayscale image with a red and blue crosshair. Controls include 'MIN BLOB SIZE: 1' and 'MAX BLOB SIZE: 500' sliders, and checkboxes for 'NOISE' and 'OUTLIER'.
- Output:** A black image with a white triangle. Controls include 'IMAGE THRESHOLD: 146' and 'MOVEMENT FILTERING: 1' sliders, and checkboxes for 'SYNTH: THRESHOLD' and 'INVERSE: ON'.
- Background:** A grayscale image. Controls include checkboxes for 'SUBTRACT: BG: ON' and 'SYNTH: SUBTRACT', and a 'SUBTRACT SPEED: 100' slider.
- Smooth:** A grayscale image. Control is a 'SMOOTH: 8' slider.
- Highpass:** A grayscale image. Controls include 'BLUR: 50' slider, 'MODE: 0' dropdown, and a 'NOISE' slider.
- Apply:** A grayscale image. Control is a 'APPLY: 146' slider.

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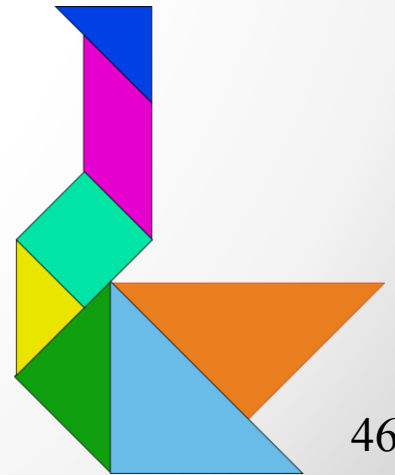
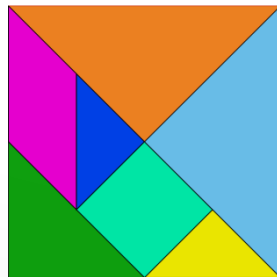
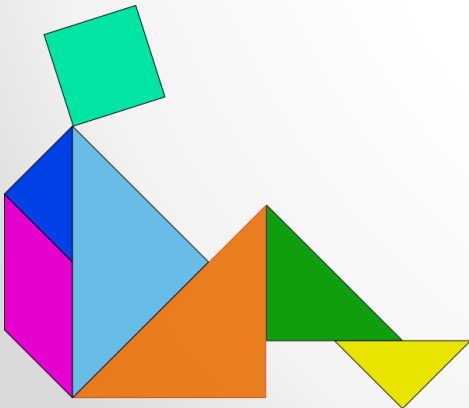
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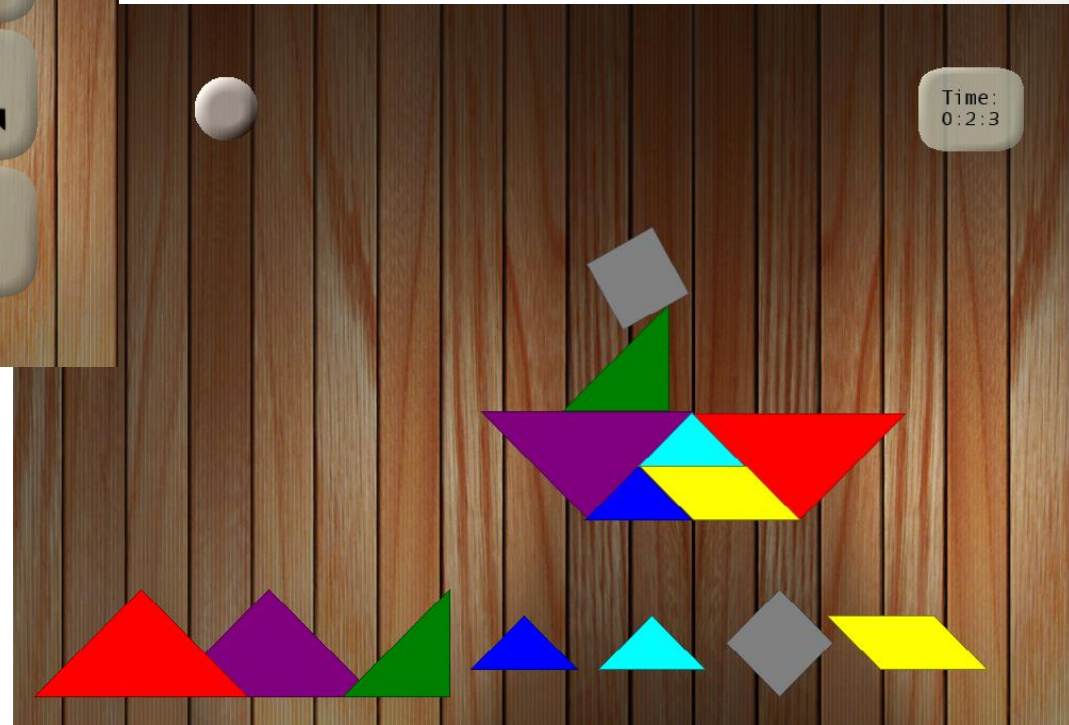
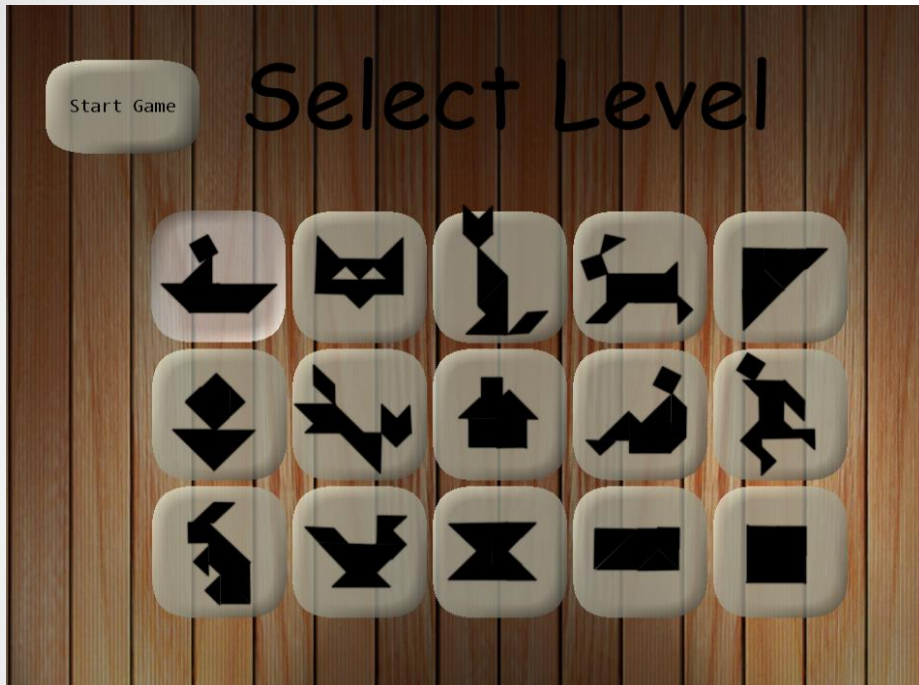


Tangram

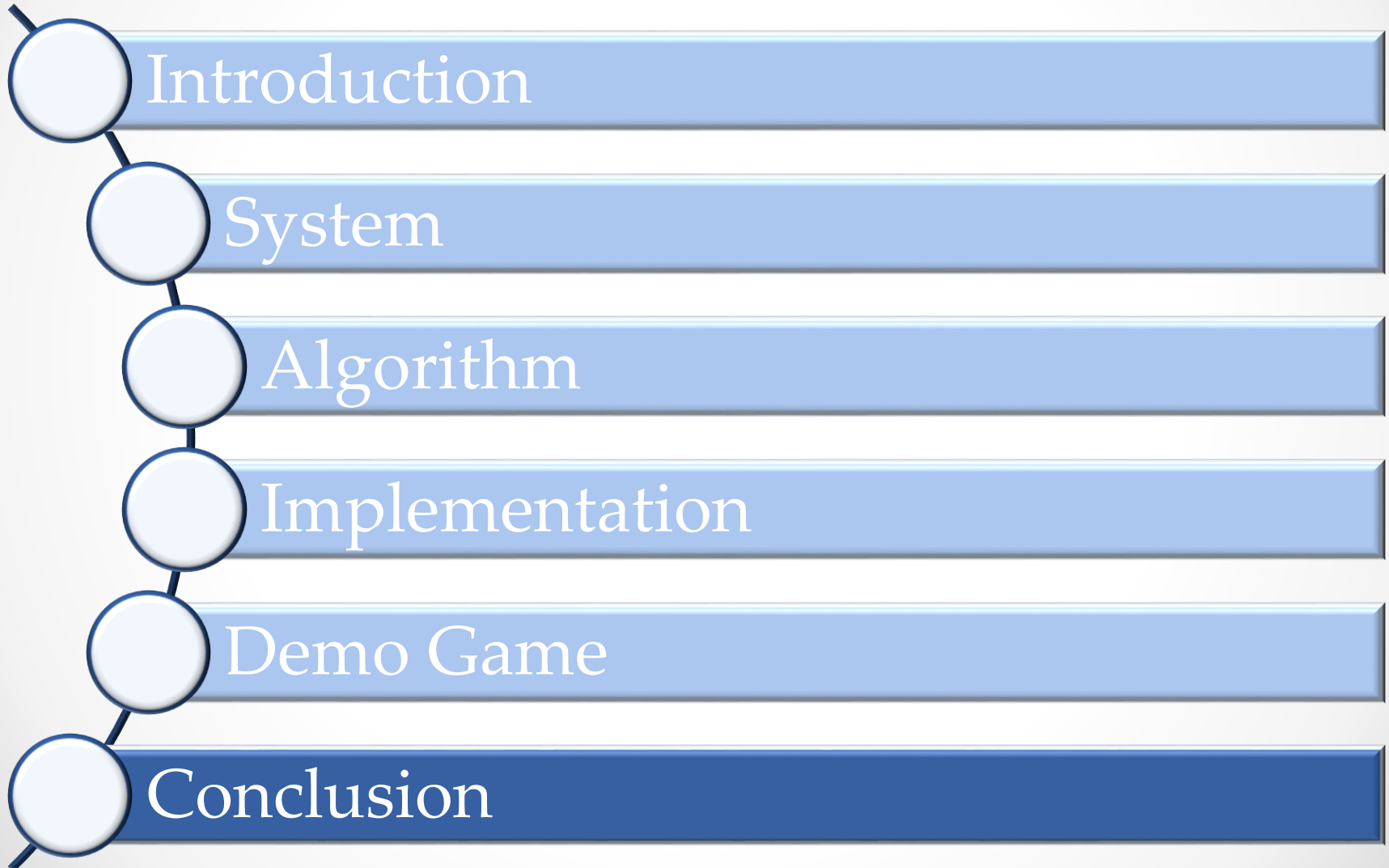
- Chinese dissection puzzle with seven shapes
- The objective is to fill a given silhouette
- Demonstrates the algorithm capabilities



SIPL Tangram



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Demo



Performance Analysis

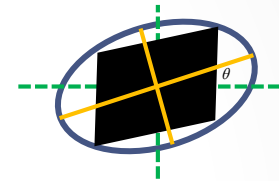
- Resources
 - Intel i7 processor, 8 GB of memory
 - Three IR cameras, 60 fps
- Real-Time performance
- Computing time < 2 milliseconds per frame

Summary

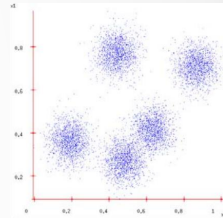
Multi-Touch table



Feature Extraction



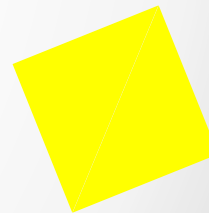
Shape Classification



Tracking



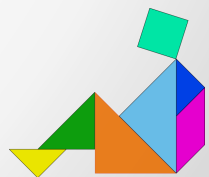
Complex situations



CCV & TUIO



Tangram



Future Work

- Extending shape recognition
 - Additional shapes
 - Shape color
- Improving camera registration
- Cross-Platform implementations
- Finalize implementation of the demo game



Thanks



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