

# Lab 2A

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# Color Images

This lecture is part of the RACECAR-MN introductory robotics course.  
You can visit the course webpage at [mitll-racecar-mn.readthedocs.io](http://mitll-racecar-mn.readthedocs.io).



# Objectives

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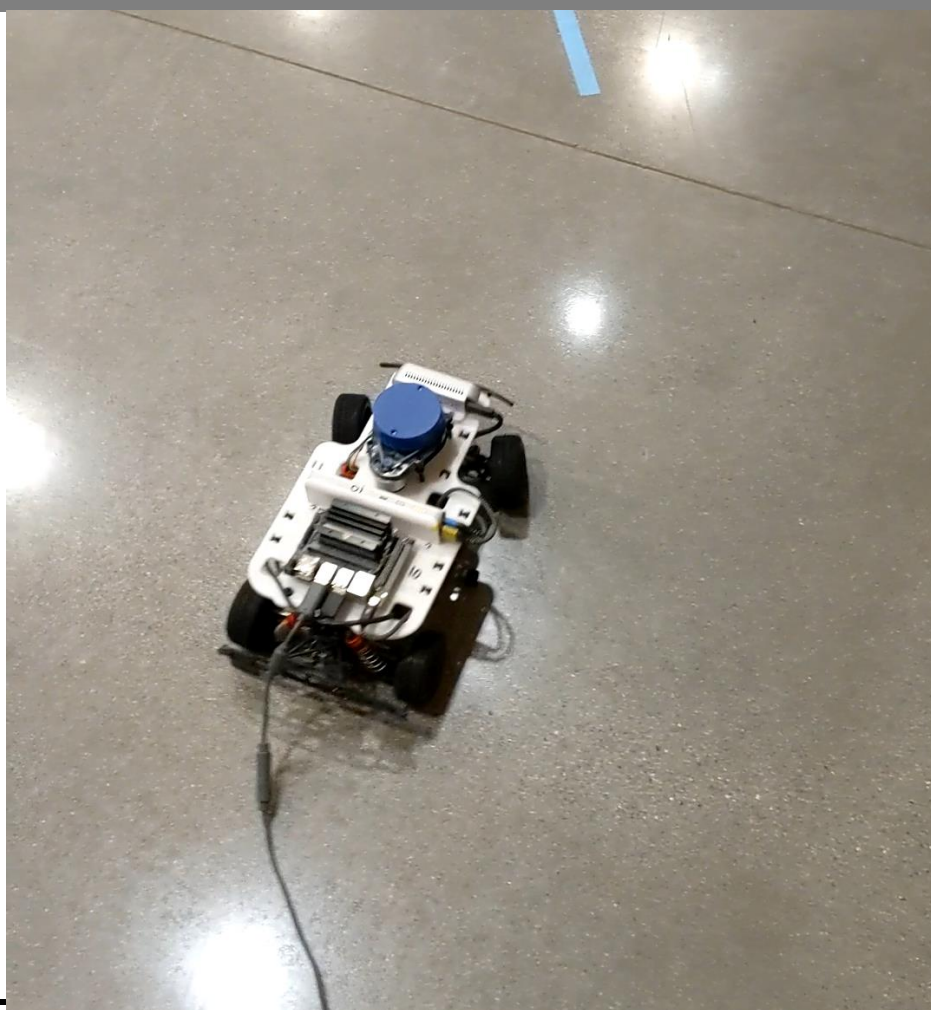
**Main Objective:** Identify objects in a color image based on color

## Learning Objectives

- Learn how to use Jupyter notebooks
- Use OpenCV functions to build image processing functions
- Understand and implement proportional control

# Lab 2 Demo

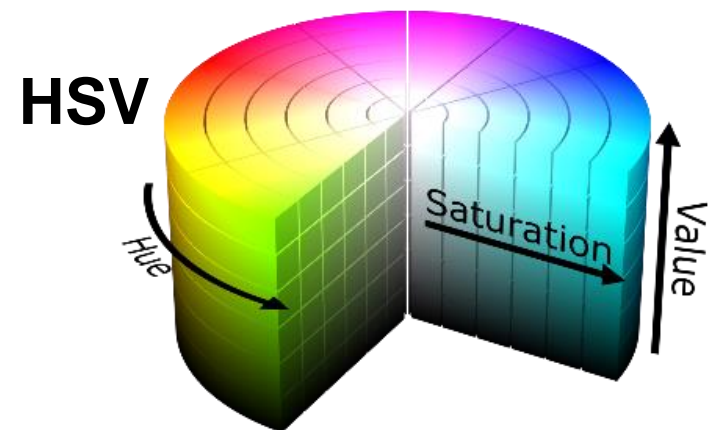
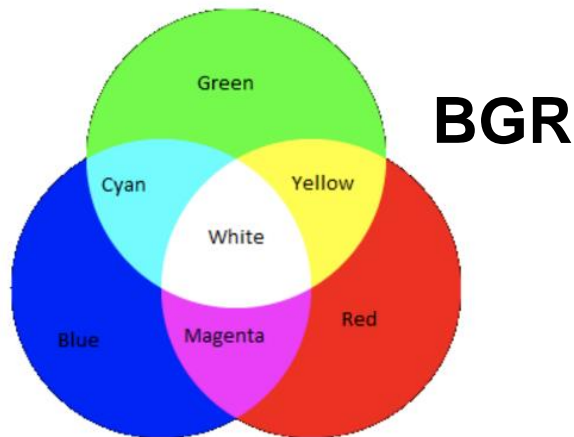
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# Color Space

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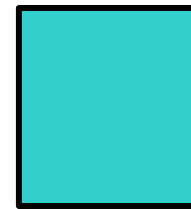
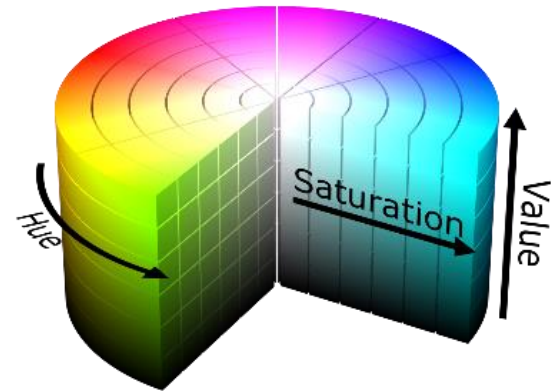
- Color models map input values to colors
- **Color space** is a range of colors a **color model** covers
- **BGR** models use measurements of blue, green, red



# HSV

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- **Hue:** the base color
  - Range:  $0^\circ$  -  $180^\circ$
- **Saturation:** inverse the amount of white
  - Range: 0 - 255
- **Value:** inverse the amount of black
  - Range: 0 - 255

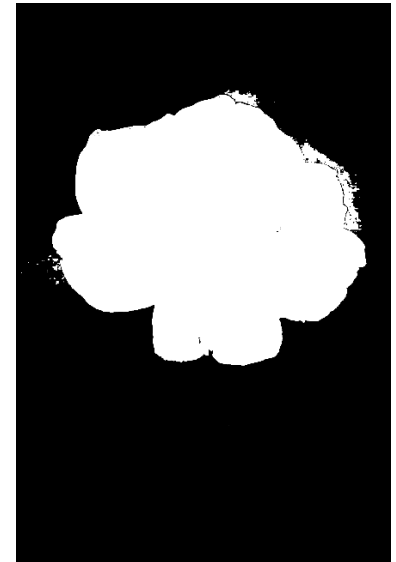


- **H:**  $90^\circ$
- **S:** 194
- **V:** 207

# OpenCV

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- Using a color **threshold**, we can make masks from images
- **BLACK** out the part of the image you want to remain hidden
- WHITE out the part of the image you want to be seen



# Color Masking

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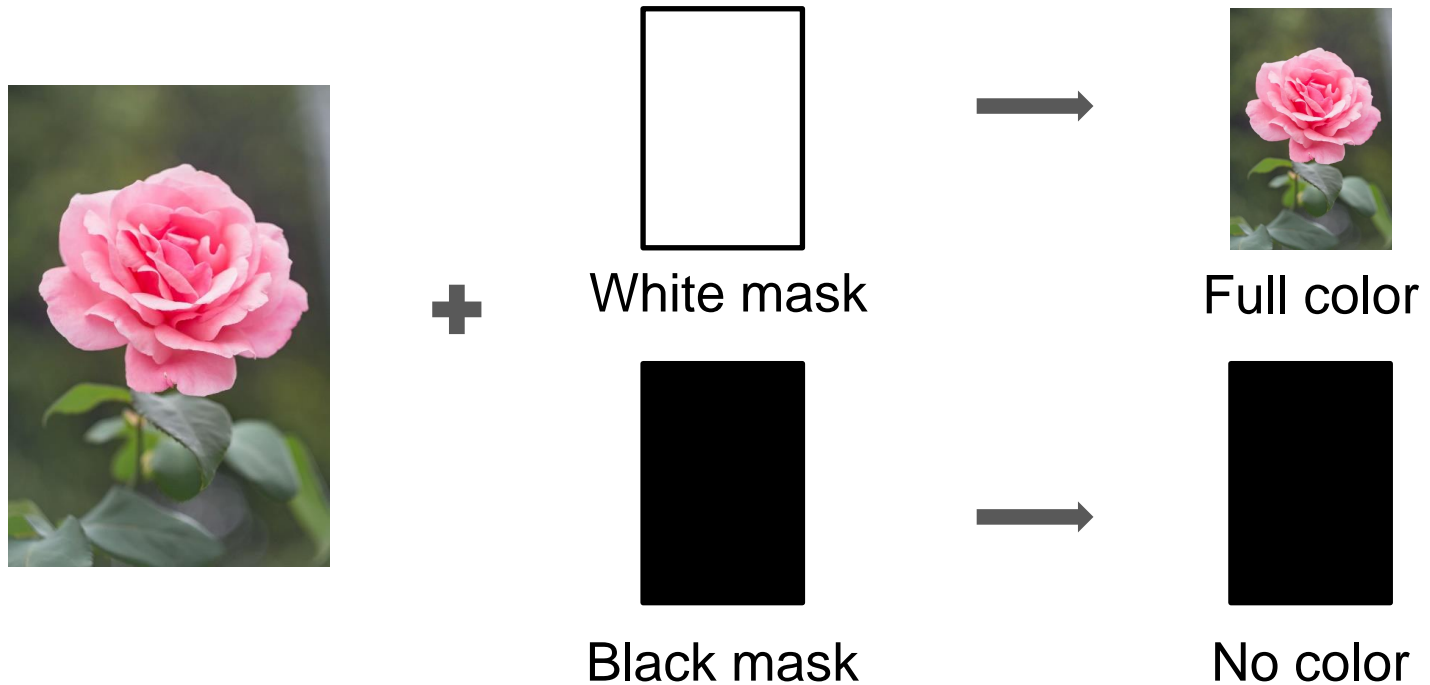


- **Combine** the color image with the black and white mask to make a **color mask**



# Color Masking

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- **Color masks** can be made with any black and white image.





# Contour Drawing

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- With **color masks**, we can identify objects and create **contour drawings**

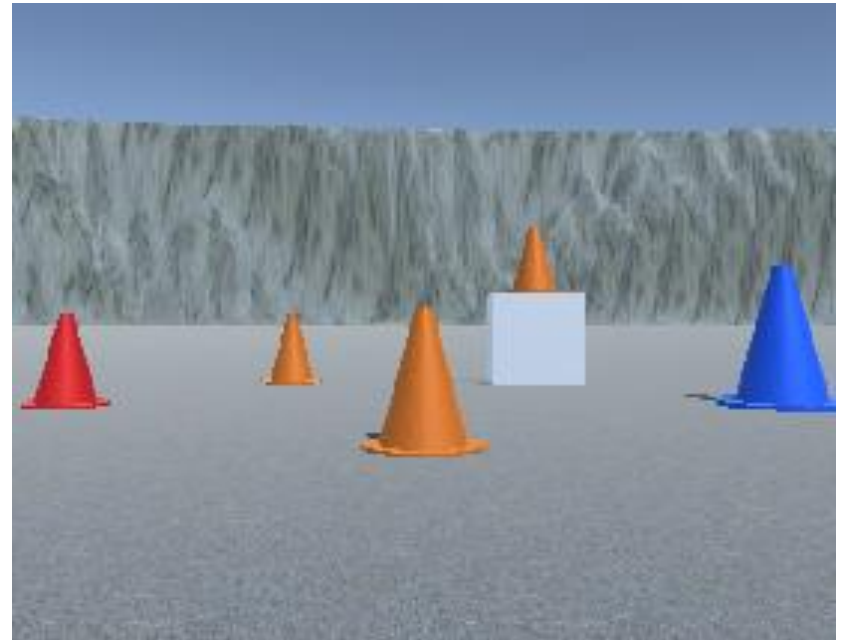


# Common Issues



Group activity

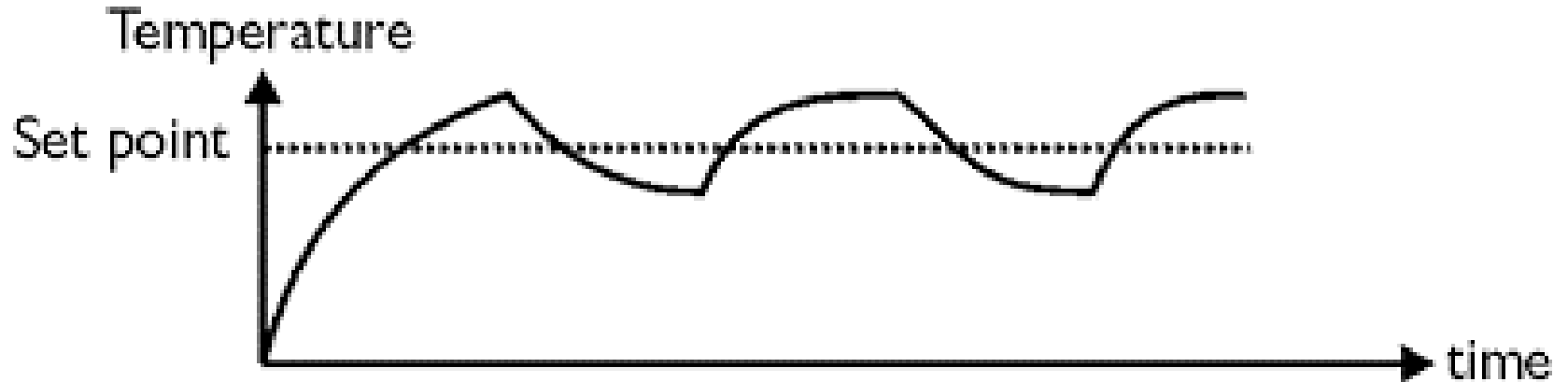
- What issues might we have with these images and how would we address them?



# Bang-Bang Control

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- **Bang-Bang control** uses feedback from the environment to switch between two **states**. This method of control oscillates around the set point in the acceptable bounds.



# Proportional Control

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- **Proportional control** uses feedback from the environment to proportionally set output values. Input is linearly proportional to output



# Camera Module

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- Retrieves color and depth images from the camera
- Public Interface
  - `get_color_image()`
  - `get_width()`
  - `get_height()`
  - `get_depth_image()` (we'll use this next time)

# Display Module

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- Displays data and images to the screen
  - Simulation: Creates a window on your computer
  - RACECAR: creates a window on the mini-monitor
- Public Interface
  - `show_color_image()`
  - `show_depth_image()` (we'll use this later)
  - `show_lidar()` (we'll use this later)

# Example 1



Group activity

```
image = rc.camera.get_color_image()

for r in range(0, rc.camera.get_height()):
    for c in range(0, rc.camera.get_width()):
        foo = (image[r][c][0] + image[r][c][1] + image[r][c][2]) // 3
        image[r][c][0] = foo
        image[r][c][1] = foo
        image[r][c][2] = foo

rc.display.show_color_image(image)
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# Example 2



Group activity

```
image = rc.camera.get_color_image()

foo = 0
bar = (0, 0)

for r in range(0, rc.camera.get_height()):
    for c in range(0, rc.camera.get_width()):
        if image[r][c][0] > foo:
            foo = image[r][c][0]
            bar = (r, c)

print(bar)
```





# Lab 2 Objectives

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- **Jupyter Notebook:** Write helper functions which use masks/contouring to identify objects based on color
- **Lab 2A:** Implement line following
- **Lab 2B:** Cone parking

# racecar\_utils Library

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- Helper functions to process inputs/outputs of racecar\_core
- You will write everything in racecar\_utils during the Jupyter notebook activates throughout the course
- Documentation
- Implementation

# Jupyter Notebooks

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Example: lab2.ipynb

