Abstract - Recent developments in sensor technologies, digital imaging and computer power have transformed the early efforts in many image/video analysis applications. Of particular interest to our group are persistent aerial surveillance which is an emerging technology that can provide continuous, wide-area coverage from an aircraft-based multiple-camera system and high-throughput high-resolution microscopy imaging that have resulted in an explosion of imagery data that needs to be processed and analyzed.

This talk will focus on many challenges of motion analysis in these two fields, motivations, some common and some unique features, and our approaches to detect, track, and analyze moving objects of varying types in different image modalities and applications. The talk will be concluded with the description of MyxoTracker our work on segmentation and long-term tracking of thousands of densely clustered individual bacteria that enables objective analysis and quantification of high-throughput image-based assays of Myxococcus xanthus for the study of diverse biological pathways.

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