### Ben Mears '11

**Amherst College** 

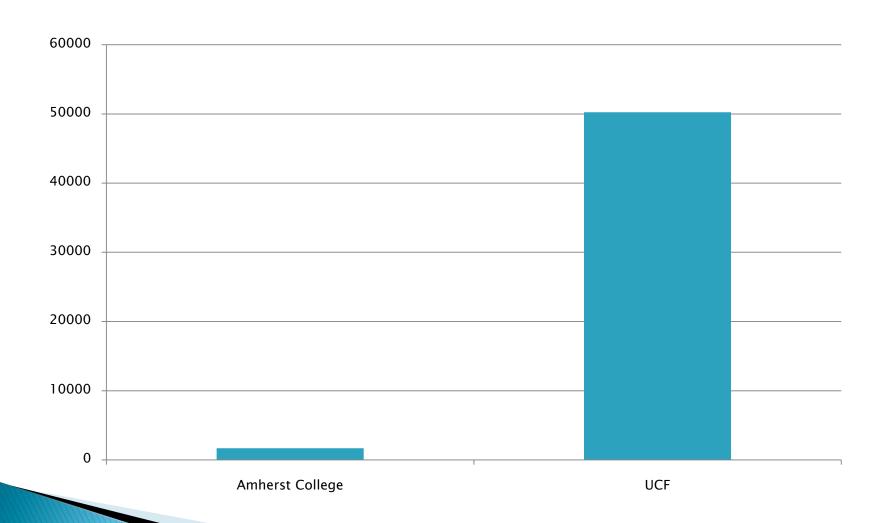
#### About Me...

- From Rochester, NY (Upstate NY)
- Computer Science and Math major at Amherst College
- One brother (22...a software engineer at Vista Print in Boston), one sister (24...dance instructor)
- Like to run and bike

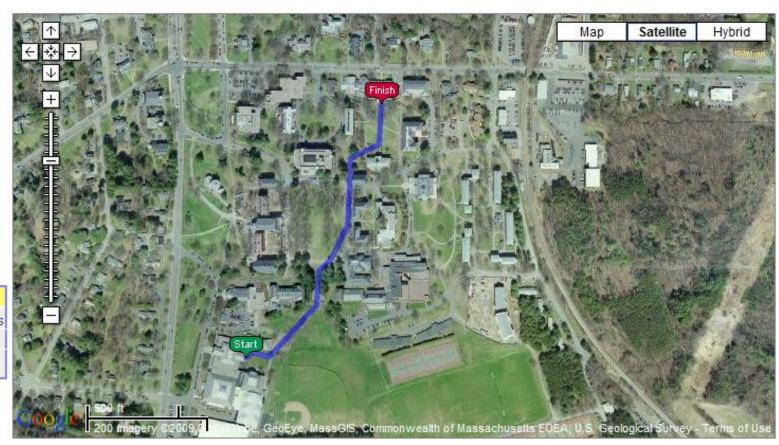
# And now some Amherst/UCF comparisons...

|                 | Amherst College | UCF            |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Founded         | 1821            | 1968           |
| Mascot          | Lord Jeff       | Golden Knights |
| Sports          | Division III    | Division I     |
| Faculty         | 223             | 1428           |
| Degrees Offered | 34              | 225            |

#### **Total Students**



#### A "Long" Walk at Amherst College



Distance: 0.33 miles 0.54 km

# A Similar Walk Through Pegasus Landing

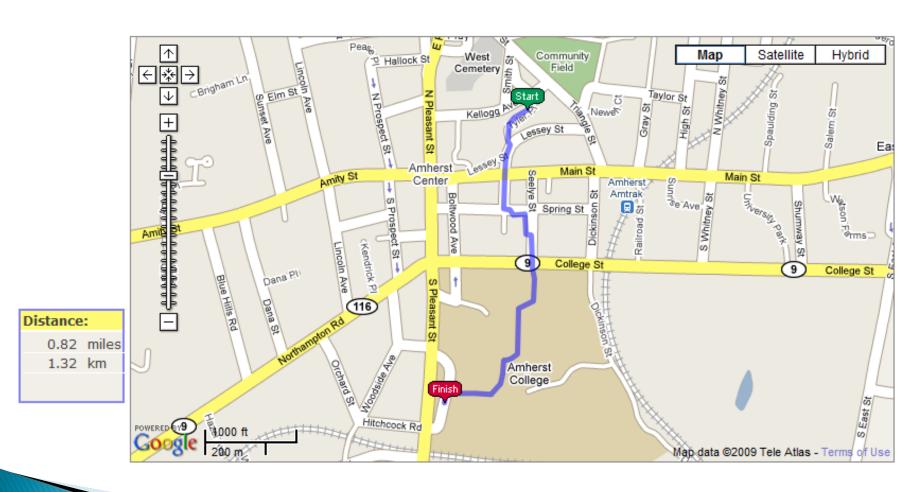


Distance: 0.33 miles 0.53 km

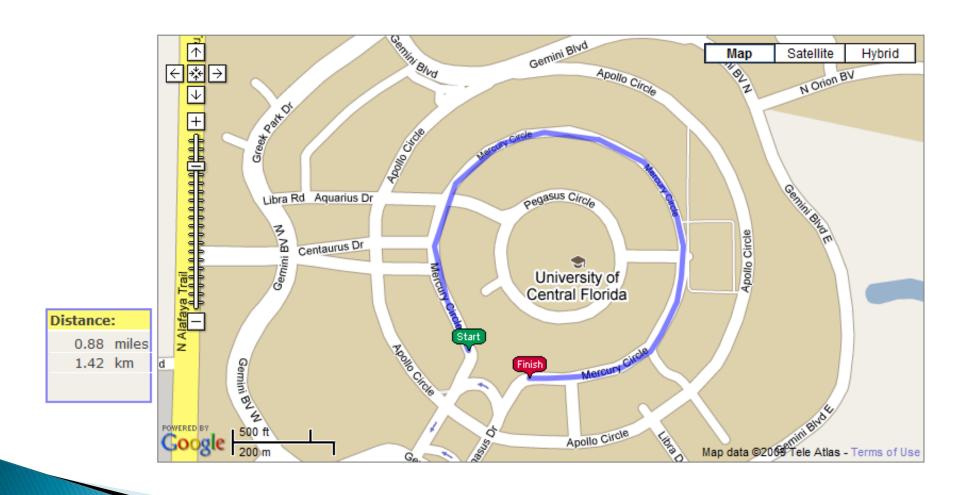
My Apartment

Not quite to the front yet!

# The Longest You will EVER walk at Amherst College



#### And a similar walk at UCF...



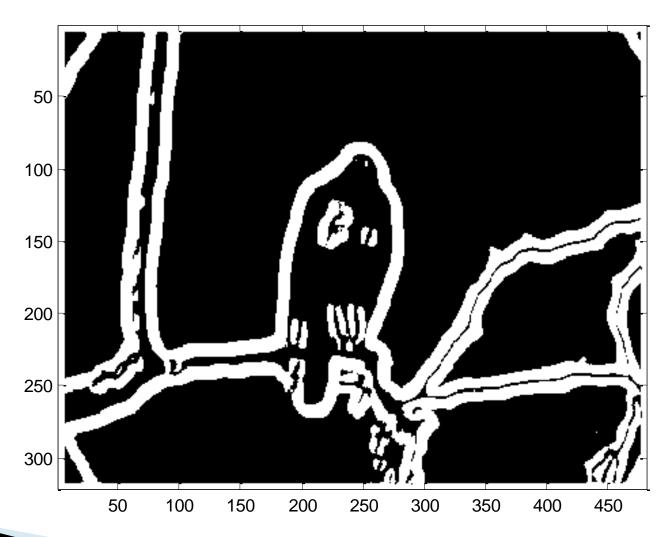
#### What I've Found Interesting...

- Computer Vision is everywhere...
- UAV's:
  - Aerial Action detection/classification
  - Vision to land the UAV
  - Distributed Smart Cameras
- Extraction/combining of actions of interests
- With new trends/developments in computer science and culture, new applications for C.V. emerge:
  - YouTube
  - FaceBook

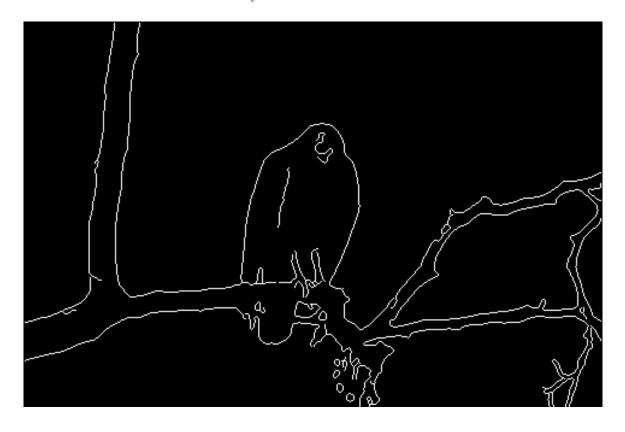
#### **Edge Detection**

- Seems like such a simple task...
- Many methods each with their own advantages/disadvantages
- Steepest descent method

### My Result



### Result with Canny Edge detector (threshold of .5)



#### Conclusions

- Obviously I still have some work to do!
  - Am going to play around with choosing some different features to see if I can improve the results
- Will begin talking to others in the lab to formulate ideas for projects
  - Action detection/classification??