

DIGITIZING PICTURES AND SLIDES

☑ If you don't have too many pictures and slides that you want to turn into digital files, it would be cheaper and easier to just send them to some camera stores to do them for you

☑ If you have quite a few that you want to do, and want to 'play' with this kind of technology, there are several levels of equipment that you can consider:

- Flat bed scanners -- these are standard scanners that can be stand-alone, or part of a photocopier and fax machine; they do a decent job, but not great, don't expect spectacular results; many come with a special holder for your negatives and slides



- Medium quality dedicated photograph scanners -- these should do a decent job in digitizing photographs and slides, but they are not cheap: Epson 4990 Pro Photo Scanner (\$800), Nikon Coolscan V ED (\$700)



- High quality dedicated photograph scanners -- these are professional level scanners, they may not be extremely fast, but they produce the best quality photographs: Nikon 5000 ED (\$1300), Nikon Coolscan 9000 (\$2500)

