

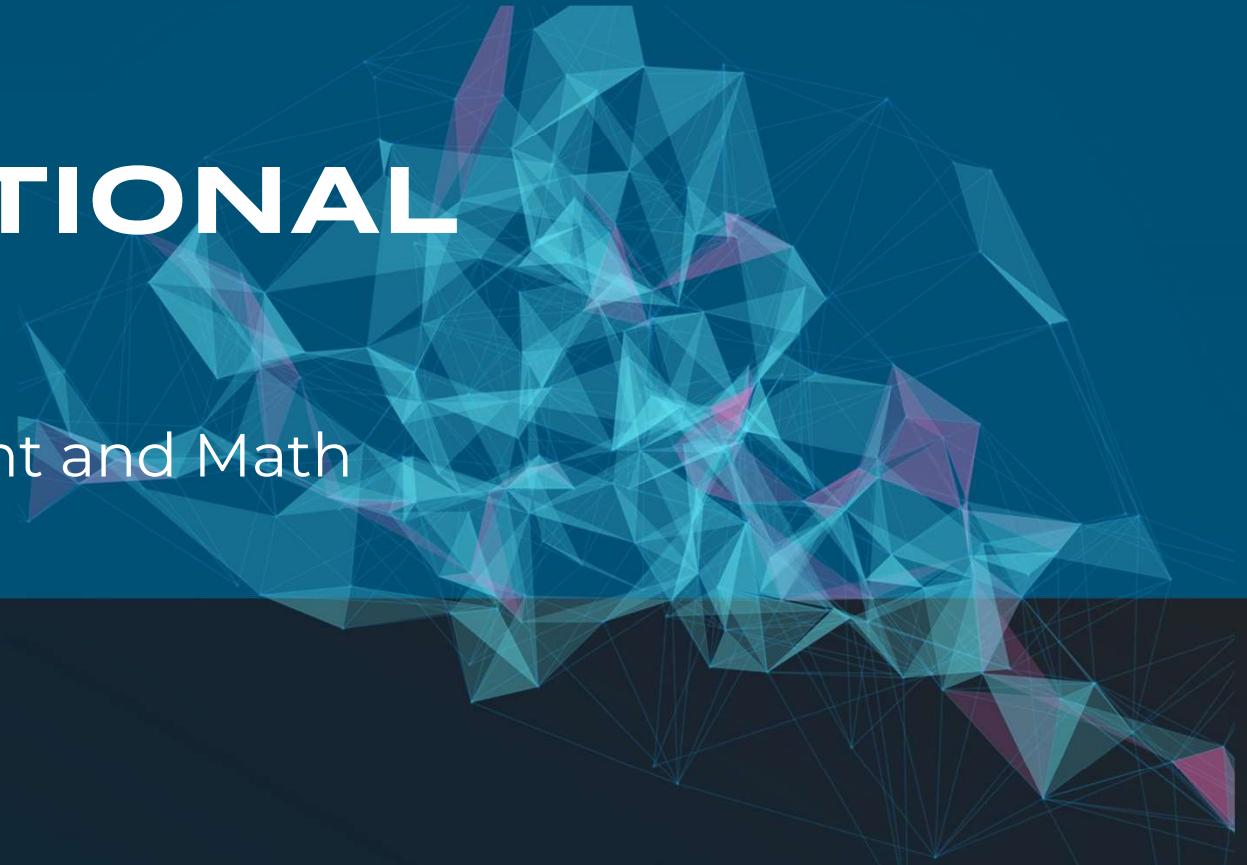
# **COMPUTATIONAL IMAGING**

L1. Imaging: Equipment and Math

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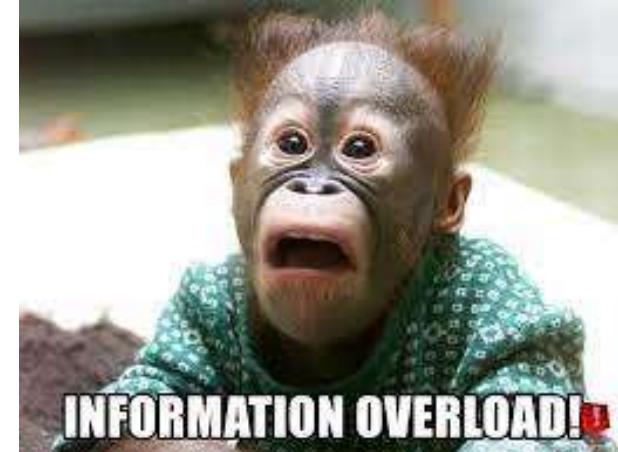
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# Crash course



- Large volumes of material with practical focus
- Learn while doing something by hands



# Motivation



## Computational Imaging

### Technology

- Physics
- Instrumentation
- Measurements
- Noise

Imaging Science

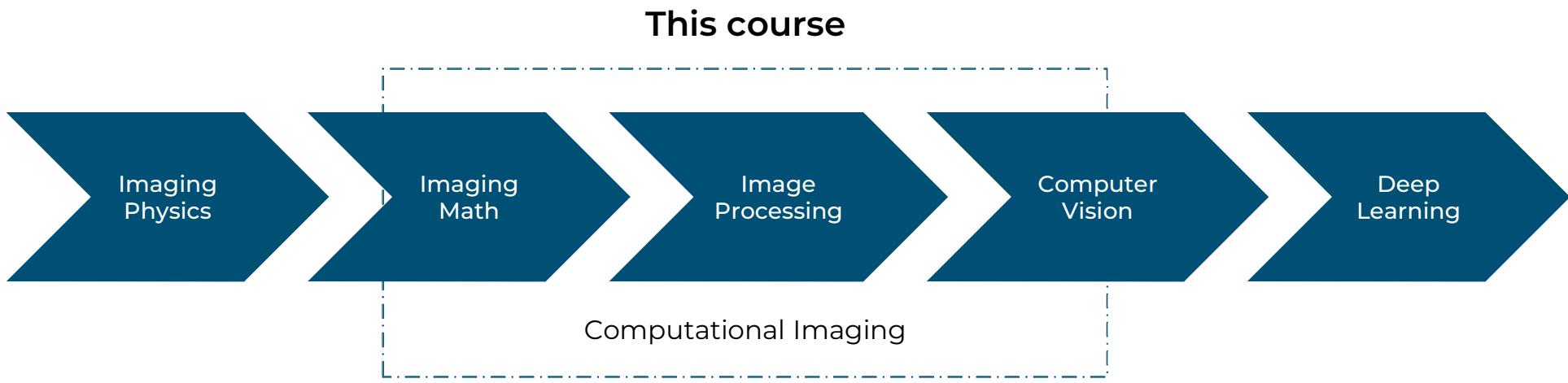
### Analytics

- Data / Patterns
- Modeling
- Outliers
- Machine Learning

Computer Vision



## Disciplines touched in this course



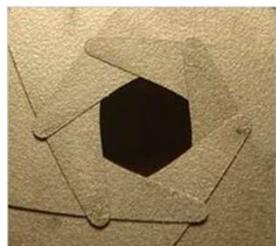


# L1. Outline

- **Camera and Image – basics**
  - Imaging math: Formalism of Object and Image. Their relation
  - Point source response function
  - Distortion of signal = convolution
  - Signal restoration = deconvolution
  - Imaging a set of points – Fourier Transform in action
  - Effect of higher frequencies on sharpness. MTF
  - Digital Filtering inspired by physics
- **Course Logistics**
- **Equipment demo**



# Camera basics



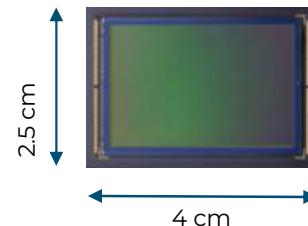
**Aperture (size)**



**Exposure (time)**



**10 megapixel sensor**



**ISO (sensitivity)**



# Camera basics: Exposure



-2EV

-1EV

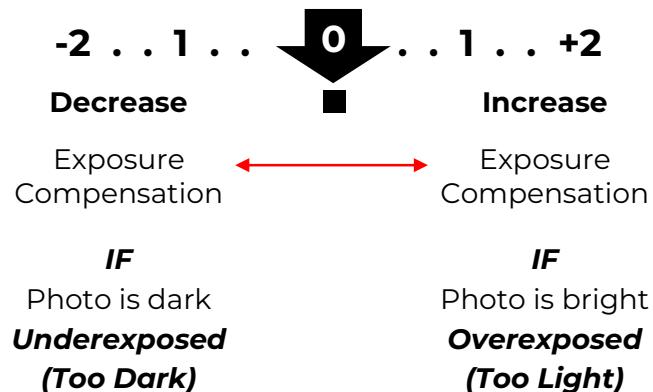
0EV

+1EV

+2EV

Exposure stops  
*As measured by expo-meter*

## EXPOSURE COMPENSATION

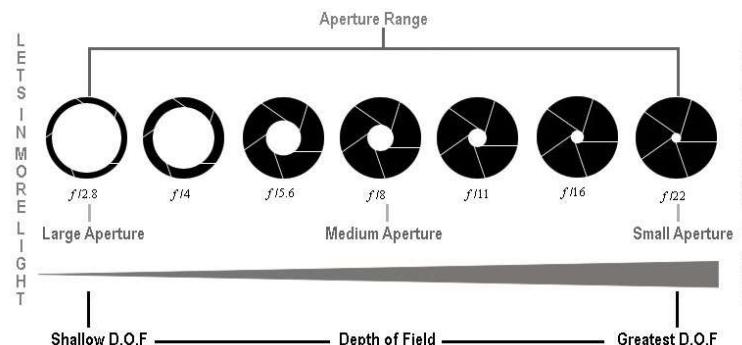
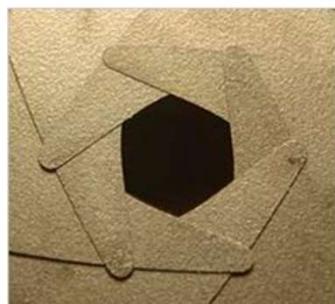






# Camera basics: Aperture

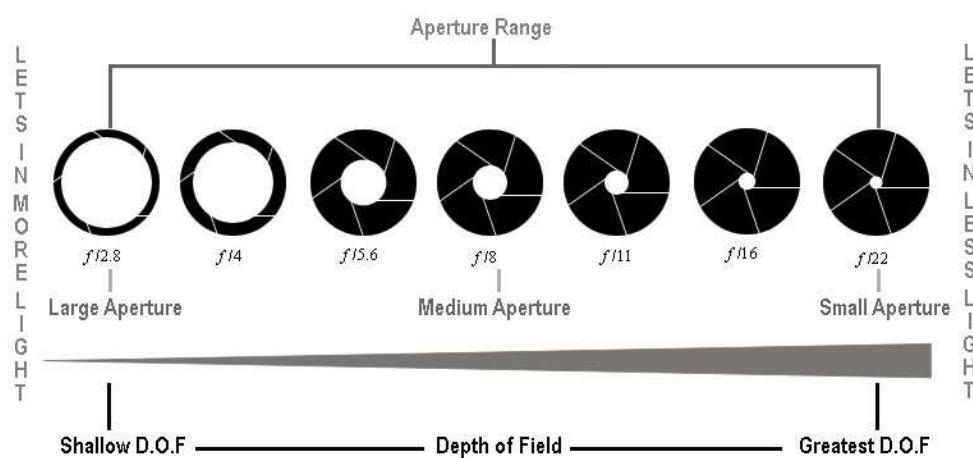
- The camera has a maximum “aperture” which corresponds to letting the full diameter of the outer glass lens gather light for you.
- But inside the lens is a metal aperture of “leaves” which will artificially close down how much light makes it to your sensor



# Camera basics: Aperture

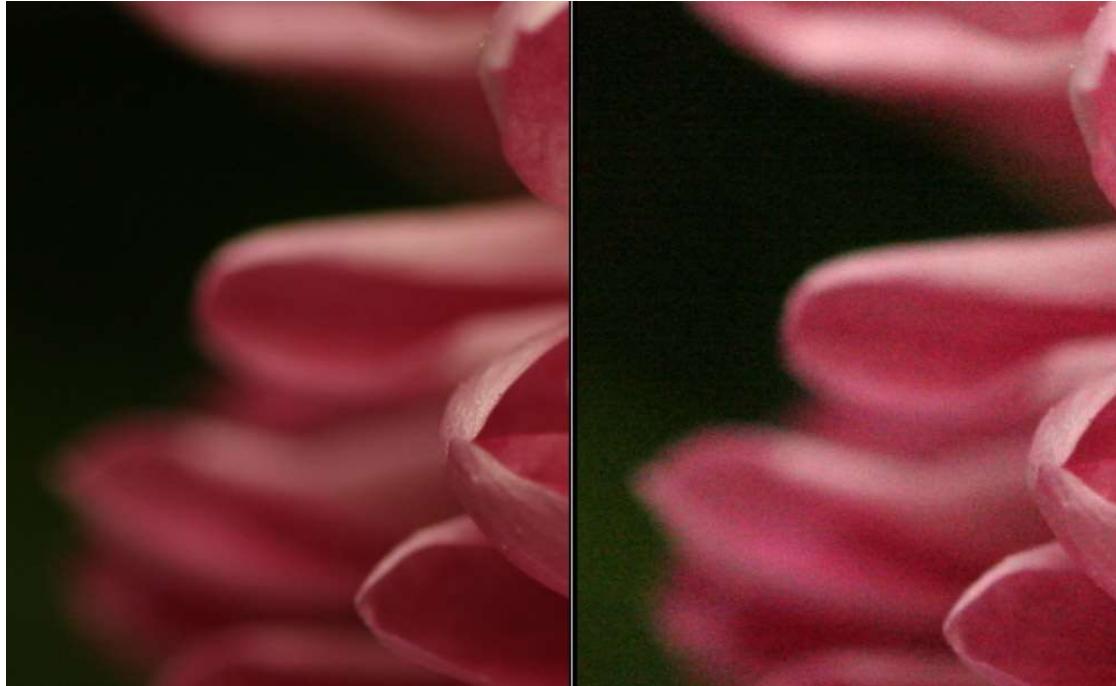


Small DOF





## Camera basics: ISO



Left: ISO 100 – smooth! Right: ISO 3200 – Noisy!

10 megapixel sensor



ISO (sensitivity)



At high ISO - Colors will also  
look flat and washed out



# Color Intensity



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**Same hotel, same everything, different camera settings.** First crappy shot: New \$6,500 camera, as it came from the factory. Second photo. White Balance still on Auto, but set to A6 make image warmer, Nikon [Picture Control](#) set to VIVID to pump colors, saturation set to +3 to pump colors more, and exposure compensation added to lighten to taste.

- Many photos are more interesting if the colors are rendered more intense (or sometimes less intense) than they appear.



# Color in Camera: WB Icons May Look Like This...

Increasing Color Temperature	
	<b>AWB</b> Auto White Balance
	<b>K</b> Kelvin
	Tungsten
	Fluorescent
	Day light
	Flash
	Cloudy
	Shade

## Common Situations:

- Tungsten: Will blue your picture
- Fluorescent: Blue it slightly
- Daylight: leave unchanged
- Flash: Redden slightly
- Cloudy: Redden more
- Shade: Redden a lot



**... or – introduce color tint  
using a filter attached to your  
illumination source**

## Lab 1: Learn camera parts and settings



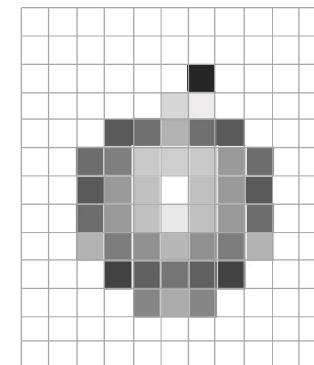
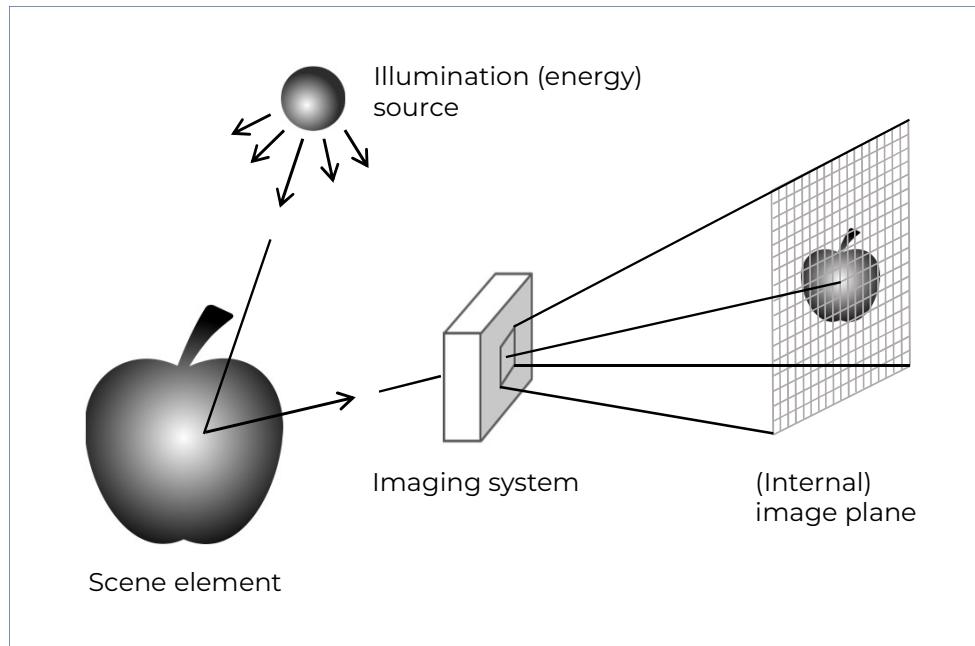


# What is an image?

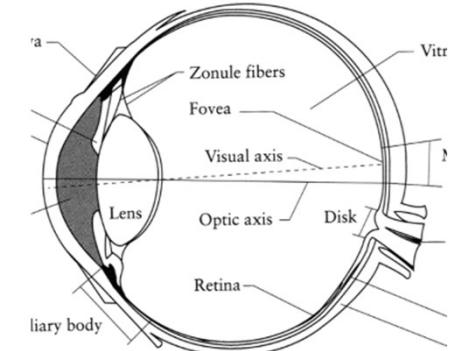


What is the main math operation that forms this image?

# What is an image?



Digital Camera

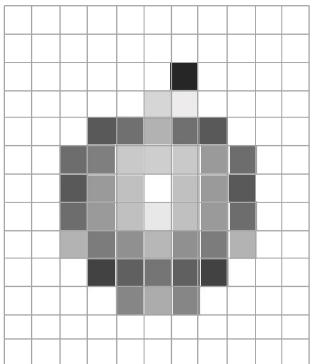


The Eye



# What is an image?

- A grid (matrix) of intensity values



Digital Camera

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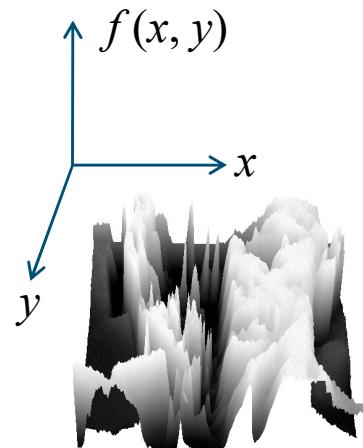
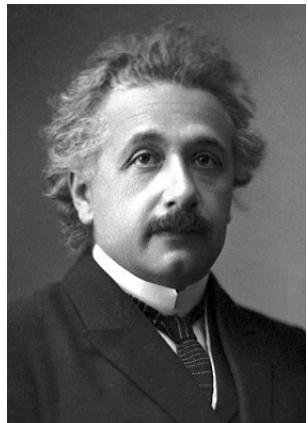
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(common to use one byte per value: **0 = black, 255 = white**)



# What is an image?

- We can think of a (grayscale) image as a **function**,  $f$ , from  $R^2$  to R (2D signal):
- $f(x, y)$  gives the **intensity** at position  $(x, y)$

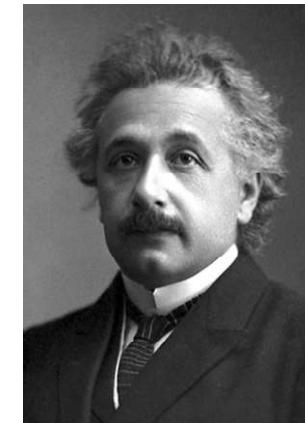
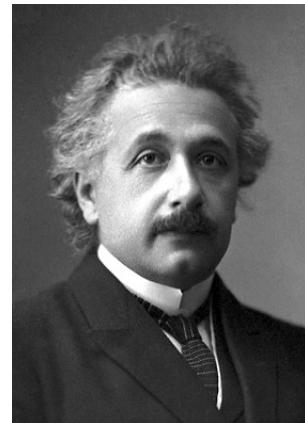
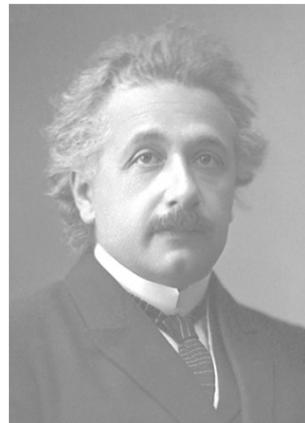
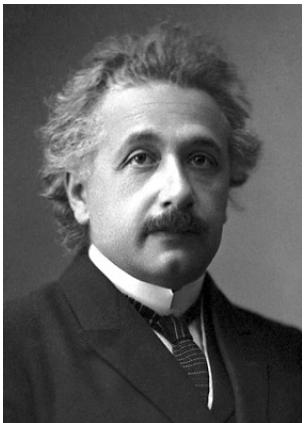


- A **digital** image is a discrete (**sampled, quantized**) version of this function



# Image transformations

- As with any function, we can apply operators to an image



$$g(x,y) = f(x,y) + 20$$

$$g(x,y) = f(-x,y)$$



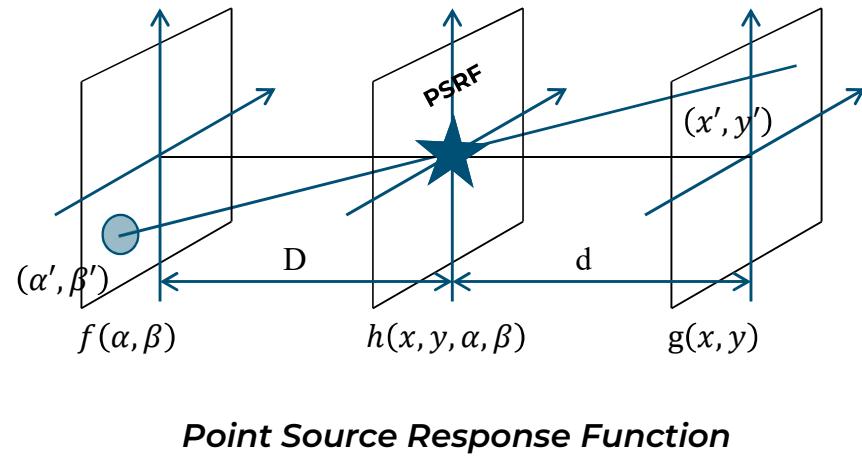
# Object and Image

- Can all modalities be approximated by the same set of equations?
- How to describe imperfect images.
- Image processing = restoration + reconstruction + enhancement.
- We denote  $f(\mathbf{r})$  to be an object; and  $g(\mathbf{r})$  to an image  $f(\mathbf{r}) = g(\mathbf{r})$  is an ideal
- Photographer's perception:  $g(x, y)$  is a representation of  $f(\mathbf{r})$
- Restrict to 2D imagery (remember of 4D nature):  $f(\alpha, \beta) \leftrightarrow g(x, y)$
- Coding 'messengers': optical rays (photo camera) / infrared rays (thermal camera) / gamma-rays (gamma-camera) / x-rays (x-ray camera).
- Physically, they coincide spatially, sometimes at different dimensions, but  $f(\mathbf{r})$  and  $g(\mathbf{r})$  relation is the imaging system.



# Object and Image Relation

- Restrict to 2D object and image planes:  $f(\alpha, \beta) \leftrightarrow g(x, y)$
- $f(\alpha, \beta) \geq 0$  and  $g(x, y) \geq 0$
- Both are integrable functions
- Neighborhood principle around each point
- Nonlinear relation:  $g'(x, y) = h(x, y, \alpha', \beta', f(\alpha', \beta'))$
- Linear relation:  $g'(x, y) = h(x, y, \alpha', \beta').f(\alpha', \beta')$   
(often assumed as the first order)





# Object and Image Relation

Linear relation:

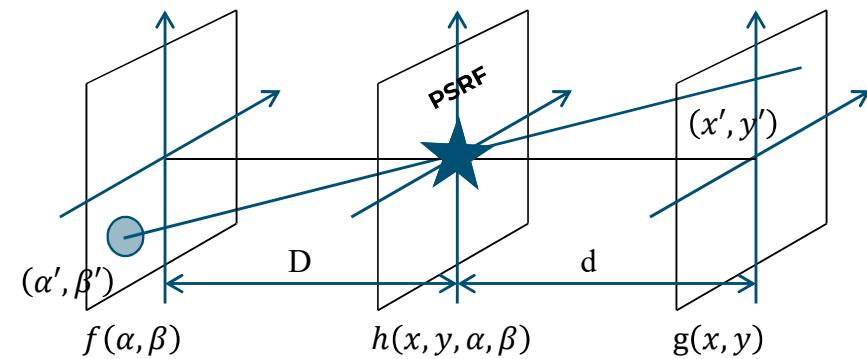
$$g'(x, y) + g''(x, y) = h(x, y, \alpha', \beta'). (f'(\alpha', \beta') + f''(\alpha', \beta'))$$

$$g(x, y) = \iint h(x, y, \alpha, \beta). f(\alpha, \beta) d\alpha d\beta$$

Space-invariant PSRF:

$$h(x, y, \alpha, \beta) = h(x - \alpha, y - \beta)$$

$$g(x, y) = \iint h(x - \alpha, y - \beta). f(\alpha, \beta) d\alpha d\beta$$

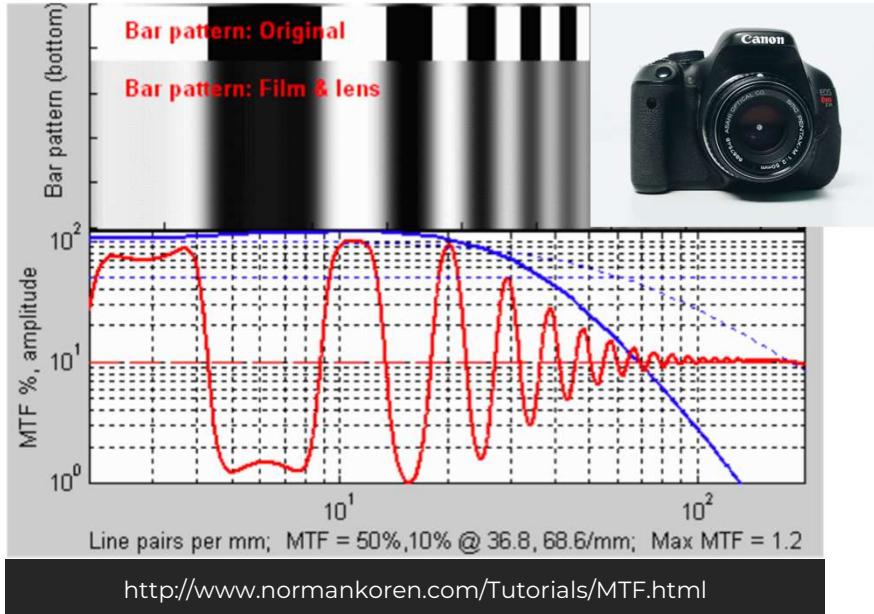


***Image is a convolution of object with SIPS RF***

$$g(x, y) = h(x, y) * f(x, y)$$



# Image Degradation



$$g(x, y) = \iint h(x - a, y - \beta) \cdot f(a, \beta) da d\beta$$

$$g(x, y) = h(x, y) * f(x, y)$$

$$FT[g(x, y)] = FT[h(x, y) * f(x, y)]$$

$$FT[g(x, y)] = FT[h(x, y)] \cdot FT[f(x, y)]$$

$$G(u, v) = H(u, v)F(u, v)$$

$H(u, v)$  is Modulation Transfer Function (MTF)  
Gaussian – Gaussian

**Image is a convolution of object with SIPSRF → De-convolution yields actual object**



# Image Deconvolution

$$\hat{f}(x, y) = \text{FT}[F(x, y)]$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{N} \right) \sum_{u=0}^{N-1} \sum_{v=0}^{N-1} \frac{G(u, v)}{H(u, v)} \cdot \exp(2\pi j(ux + vy)/N)$$

$$g(x, y) = h(x, y) * f(x, y)$$

$$\text{FT}[g(x, y)] = \text{FT}[h(x, y) * f(x, y)]$$

$$\text{FT}[g(x, y)] = \text{FT}[h(x, y)] \cdot \text{FT}[f(x, y)]$$

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**Image is a convolution of object with SIPS RF**

- De-convolution yields actual object
- ! Beware of Noise @ high frequencies



# Summarize

PSF contains all the info about your camera

$$g(x, y) = h(x, y) * f(x, y)$$

Image is a convolution of object with PSF

- **De-convolution recovers actual object**
- **! Beware of Noise @high frequencies**

$$G(u, v) = H(u, v)F(u, v)$$

FT(PSF) = “Modulation Transfer Function” shows efficiency of imaging high frequencies

- **Higher spatial frequencies = better resolution**

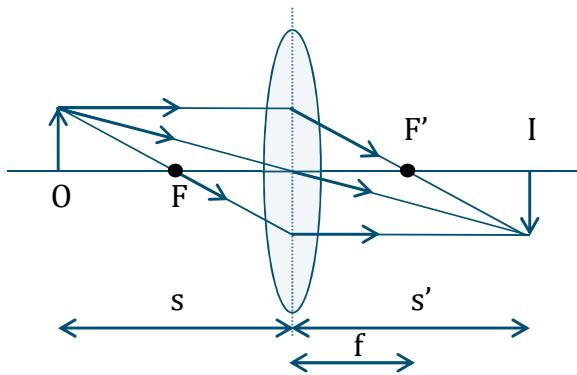
$$f(x, y) = F^{-1} \left[ \frac{G(u, v)}{H(u, v)} \right]$$

# Course Logistics



## Example: Optical Imaging

### CONSTRUCTING RAY DIAGRAMS



s object distance; s' image distance; f focal length

- PRINCIPLE RAYS: (Any 2 are sufficient to construct image)
- Ray passing through the centre of the lens is undeviated.
- Ray parallel to the optical axis passes through a focal point.
- Ray passing towards, or away from, a focal point emerges parallel to the axis.

### LENS CALCULATIONS

Thin lens formula

$$\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s'} = \frac{1}{f}$$

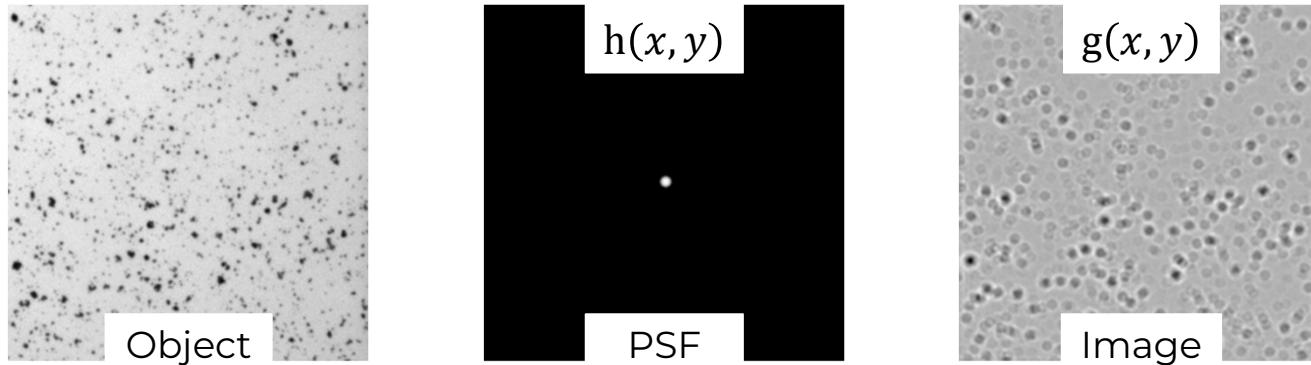
Magnification formula

$$m = -\frac{s'}{s}$$

Real lens? (e.g. finite aperture; lens aberration)



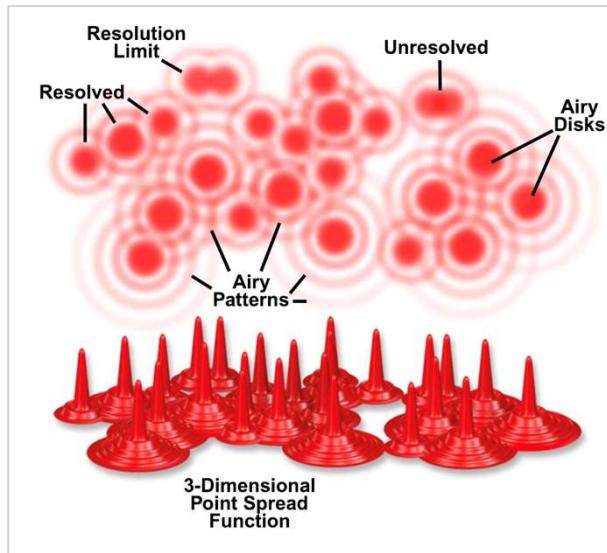
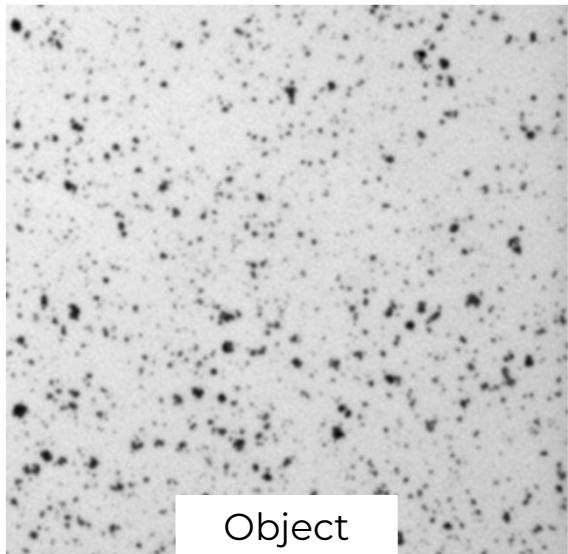
## Example: Microscopy & Gaussian PSF



$$f(x, y) = \text{FT}^{-1} \left[ \frac{G(u, v)}{H(u, v)} \right]$$



# Resolution

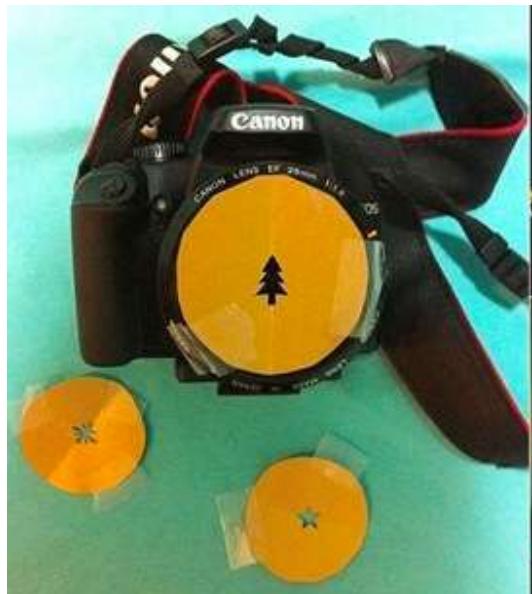


$$\text{Resolution} = 0.61 \lambda / \text{NA}$$

$\lambda$  = color

NA = Numerical Aperture

## Lab 2: “Bokeh” experiments





## A little more practical insight: 1D Fourier

$$f(x) \leftrightarrow F(f)$$

$$F(f) = \int_{x=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \cdot e^{-j2\pi f} dx$$

$$\delta(x) \leftrightarrow 1$$

$$F(x - x_0) \leftrightarrow e^{-2\pi f x_0} F(f)$$

$$\delta(x - x_0) \leftrightarrow e^{-2\pi f x_0}$$

$$e^{2\pi f x_0} \leftrightarrow \delta(f - f_0)$$

$$f(x) = \int_{f=-\infty}^{\infty} F(f) \cdot e^{j2\pi f x} df$$

$$\frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} \leftrightarrow j2\pi f F(f)$$

$$\Pi(x) \leftrightarrow Sinc(f)$$

$$f(x)^* g(x) \leftrightarrow F(f) \cdot G(f)$$

$$\Lambda(x) \leftrightarrow Sinc^2(f)$$

$$f(ax) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{|a|} F\left(\frac{f}{a}\right)$$



# 1D Convolution (Shift and Scale)

$$f(x)^*g(x) = \int_{x'=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x').g(x-x').dx'$$

$$f(ax + a')^* g(bx + b') = h(x)^*m(x) = \int_{x'=-\infty}^{\infty} h(x').m(x-x').dx'$$

$$f(ax + a')^* g(bx + b') = \int_{x'=-\infty}^{\infty} f(ax' + a').g(bx - bx' + b').dx'$$

$$u = ax' + a'; du == adx'$$

$$f(ax + a')^* g(bx + b') = \int_{u=-\infty}^{\infty} f(u).g\left(bx - \frac{b}{a}u + b' + \frac{ba'}{a}\right) \cdot \frac{du}{|a|}$$

$$A=b; B=-\frac{b}{a}; C=\frac{ab'+ba'}{a}$$

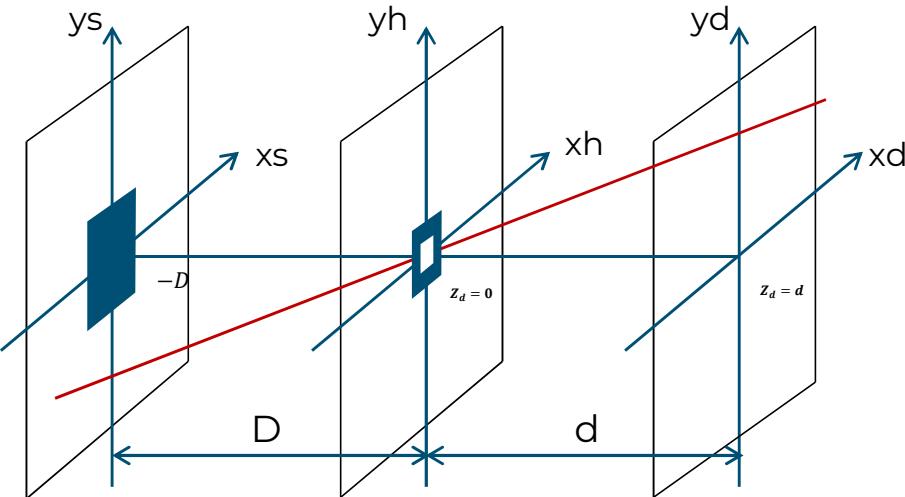
$$\int_{x'=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x').g(Ax + Bx' + C).dx' = ?$$

$$b=A; a=-\frac{A}{B}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a' = 0 &\Rightarrow b' = C \\ b' = 0 &\Rightarrow a' = \frac{aC}{b} = -\frac{C}{B} \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_{x'=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x').g(Ax + Bx' + C).dx' = \left| \frac{A}{B} \right| f\left(-\frac{A}{B}x\right)^* g(Ax + C)$$

## Example 2



Since points \$s, h, d\$ are on the same line:

$$\frac{xs-x}{xh-x} = \frac{D+d}{d}$$

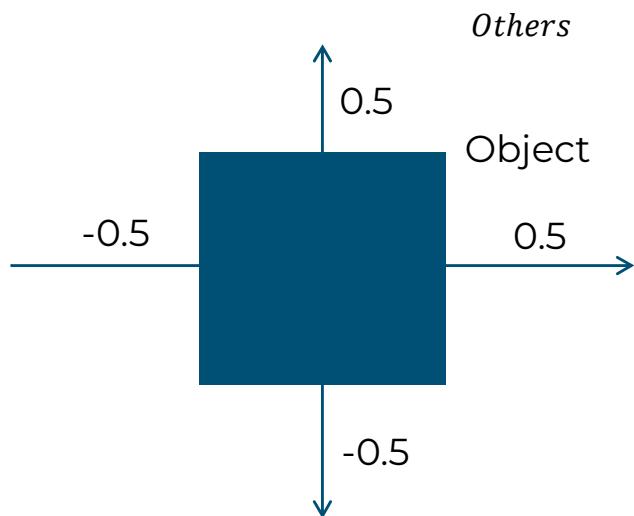
$$xh = \frac{d}{D+a} xs + \frac{D}{D+a} xd$$

$$yh = \frac{d}{D+a} ys + \frac{D}{D+a} yd$$

$$I(xd, yd) = \frac{1}{4\pi(D+d)^2} \int_{xs=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{ys=-\infty}^{\infty} s(xs, ys) \cdot h(xh, yh) \cdot dys \cdot dxs$$

## Example 2

$$s(xs, ys) = \prod(xs, ys) = \begin{cases} 1 & -0.5 < xs < .5 \& -0.5 < ys < 0.5 \\ 0 & \text{Others} \end{cases}$$



$$h(xh, yh) = \prod(10xh, 10yh) = \begin{cases} 1 & -0.5 < xh - 0.5 < 0.5 \& -0.5 < yh < 0.05 \\ 0 & \text{Others} \end{cases}$$

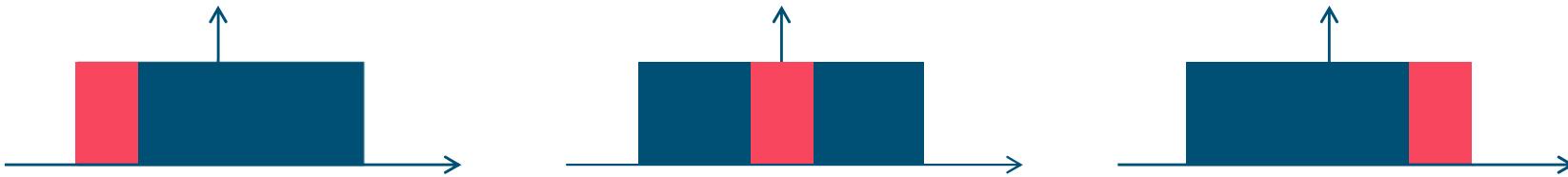
## Example 2

$$I(xd, yd) = \frac{D^2}{4\pi(D+d)^2 d^2} s\left(-\frac{D}{d}xd, -\frac{D}{d}yd\right) * h\left(\frac{D}{D+d}xd, \frac{D}{D+d}yd\right)$$

$$D = d = 1$$

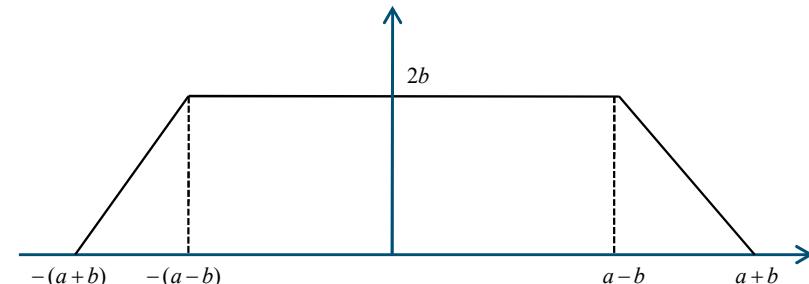
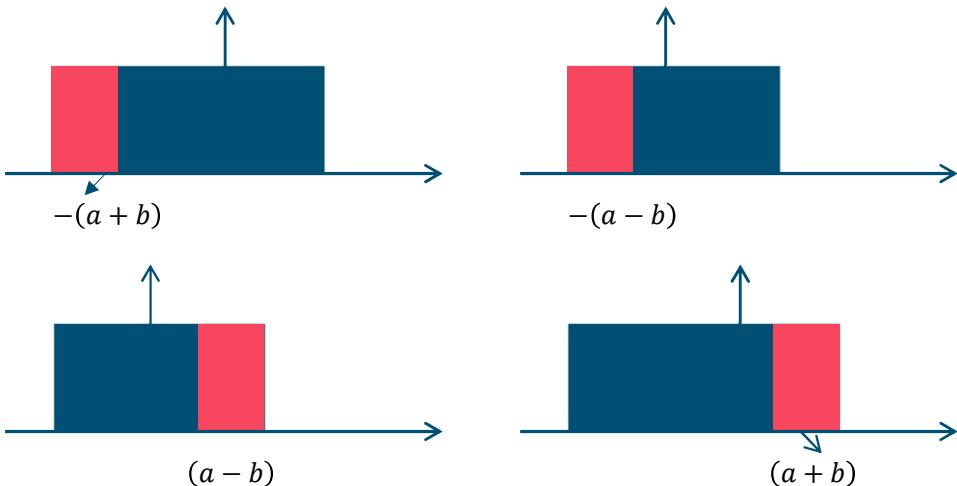
$$I(xd, yd) = \frac{1}{16\pi} \prod(-xd, -yd) * \prod(5xd, 5yd)$$

$$I(xd, yd) = \frac{1}{16\pi} \prod(xd) \prod(yd) * \prod(5xd) \prod(5yd)$$



## Example 2

$$\Pi \frac{x}{2a} * \Pi \frac{x}{2b}; a > b > 0$$



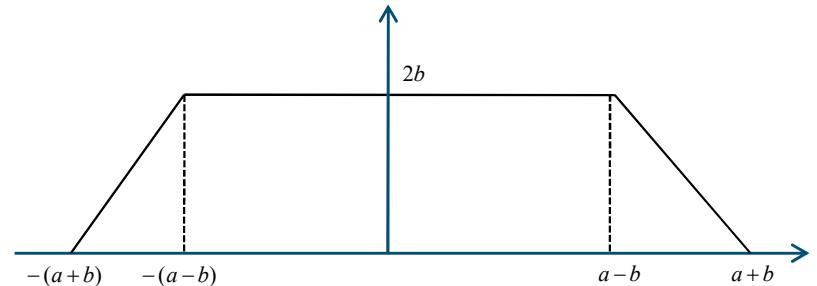
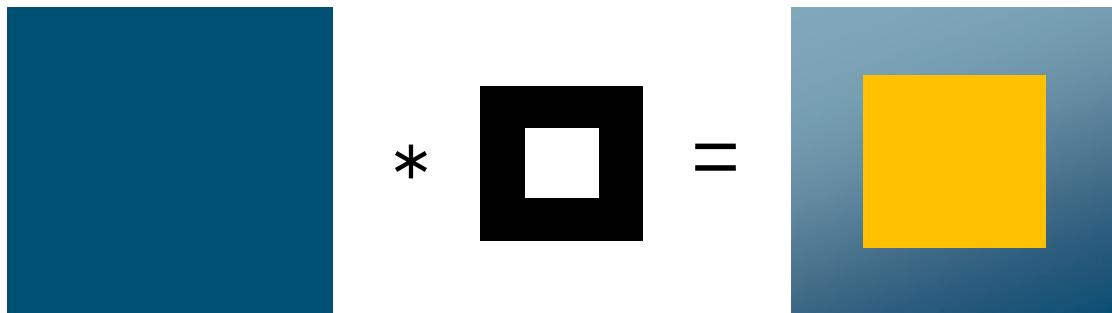
$$(a + b) \Lambda\left(\frac{x}{a+b}\right) - (a - b) \Lambda\left(\frac{x}{a-b}\right)$$

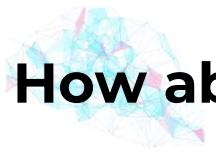
## Example 2

$$I(xd, yd) = \frac{1}{16\pi} \prod(xd) \prod(yd) * \prod(5xd) \prod(5yd)$$

$$a = 0.5; b = 0.1$$

$$I(xd, yd) = \frac{1}{16\pi} \left[ 0.6\Lambda\left(\frac{xd}{0.6}\right) - 0.4\Lambda\left(\frac{xd}{0.4}\right) \right] \left[ 0.6\Lambda\left(\frac{yd}{0.6}\right) - 0.4\Lambda\left(\frac{yd}{0.4}\right) \right]$$





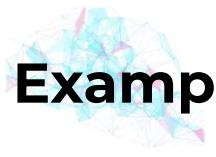
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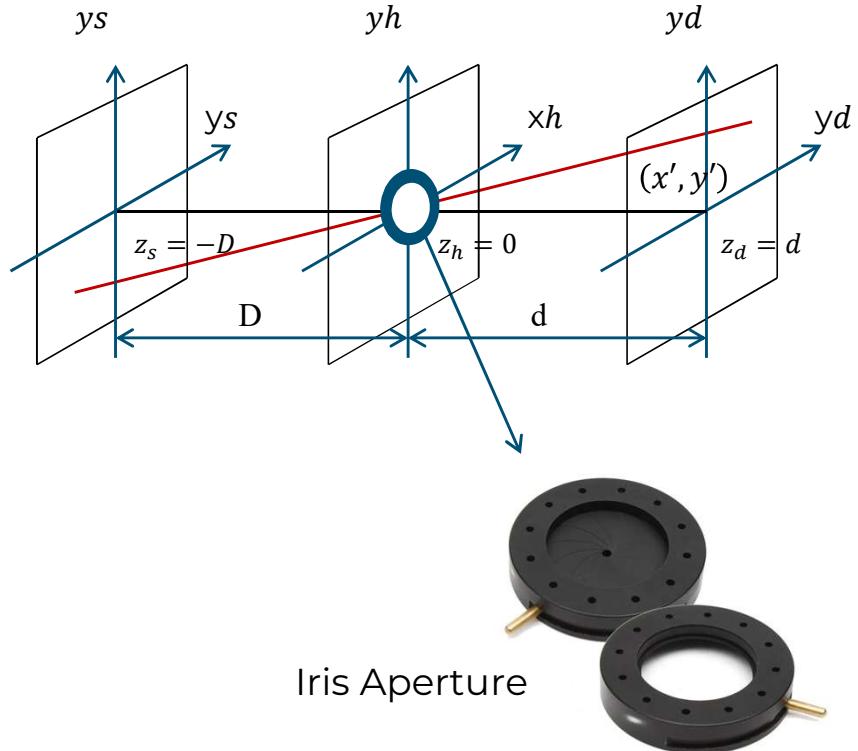
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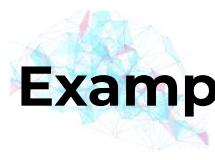


Smoothing with box filter

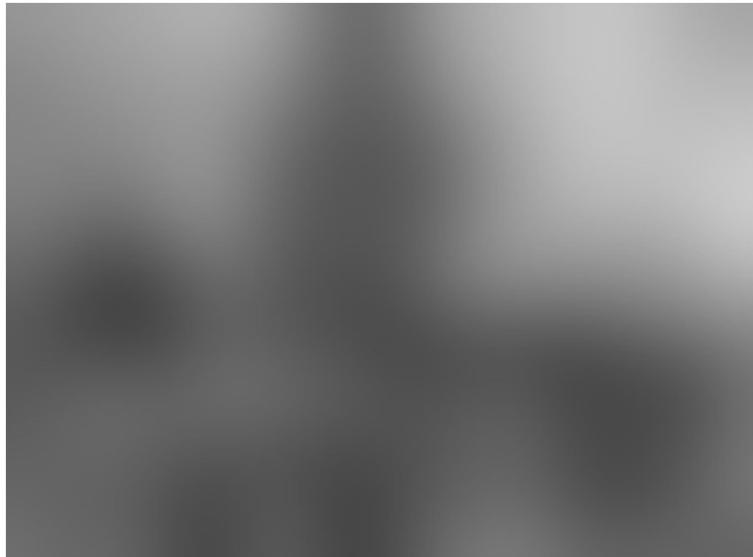


## Example 3 (experiment with frequencies)

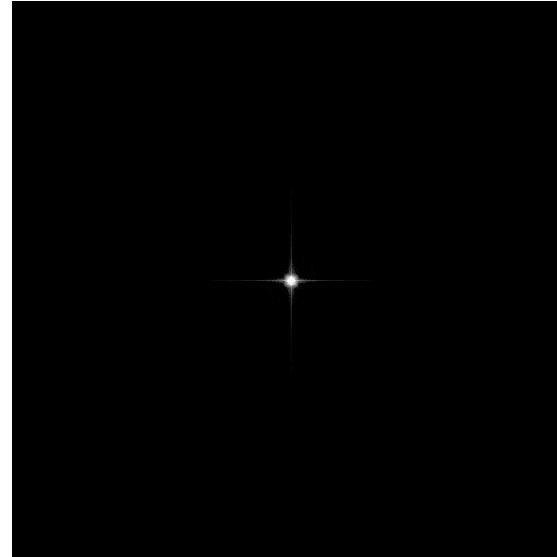




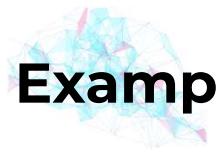
## Example 3 (experiment with frequencies)



**Real Space**



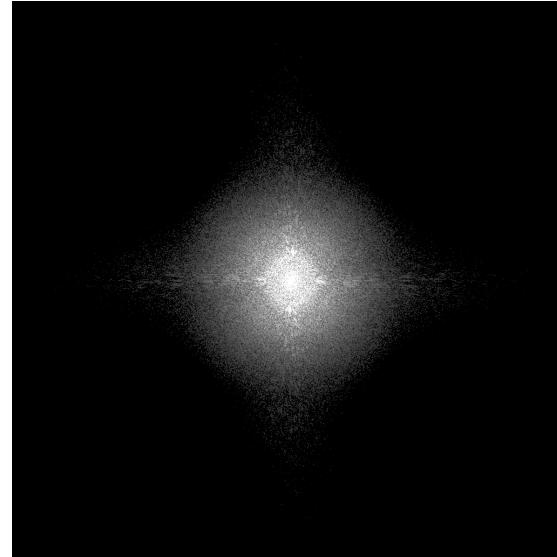
**Fourier Space**



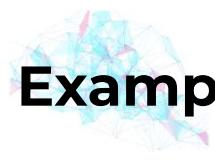
## Example 3 (experiment with frequencies)



**Real Space**



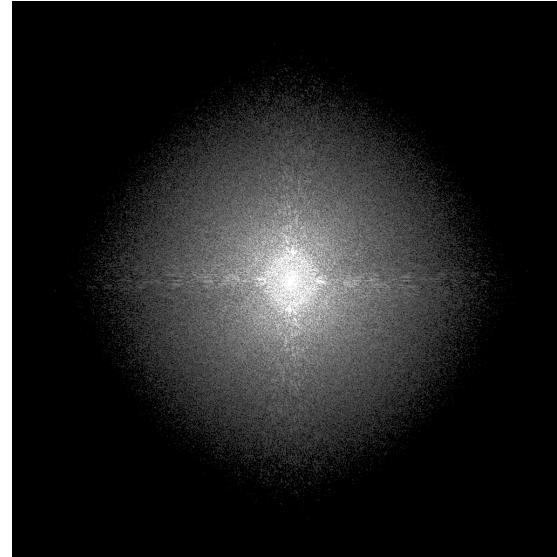
**Fourier Space**



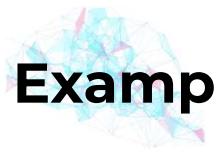
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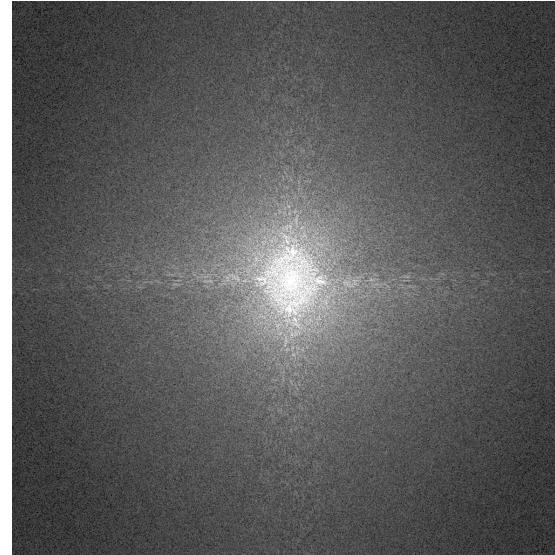
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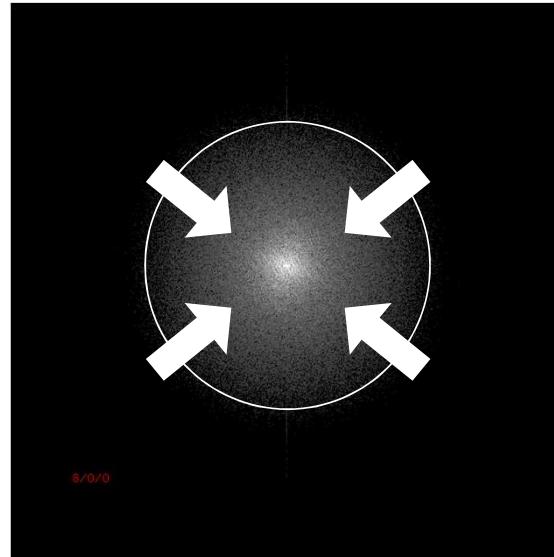
**Real Space**



**Fourier Space**



## Game of wide-field Imaging



Want to have as many high frequencies as possible



## Summarize again

PSF contains all the info about your camera

Image is a convolution of object with PSF

- **De-convolution recovers actual object**
- **! Beware of Noise @high frequencies**

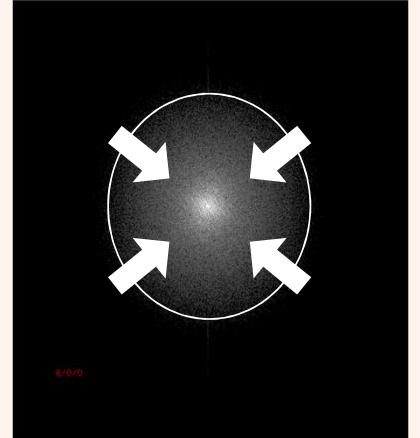
FT(PSF) = “Modulation Transfer Function” shows efficiency of imaging high frequencies

- **Higher spatial frequencies = better resolution**

$$g(x,y) = h(x,y) * f(x,y)$$

$$G(u,v) = H(u,v)F(u,v)$$

$$f(x,y) = F^{-1} \left[ \frac{G(u,v)}{H(u,v)} \right]$$



# Equipment Demo

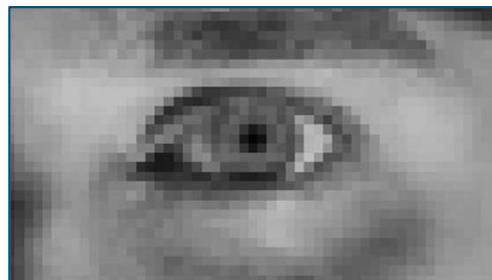


## Convolution (now, digitally)

$$h$$
  
$$f(x, y)$$

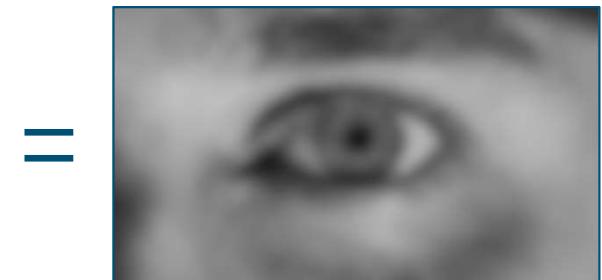
$$g(x, y) = h(x, y) * f(x, y)$$

Now that you know what it does, use convolution for various digital processing.

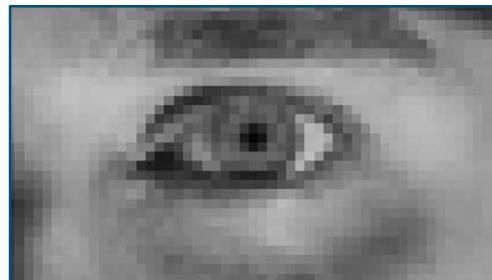


Original

$$* \frac{1}{9} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



Blur (with a mean filter)



Original

$$* \left( \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 2 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array} - \frac{1}{9} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \right) =$$



Sharpening filter  
(accentuates edges)



## Convolution in the real world – Connection to PSF

Camera shake



**Bokeh:** Blur in out-of-focus regions of an image.



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**Next time: Digital Filtering  
with Convolution**