

Computational Photography

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About me

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Course Format

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Course Format

- One Midterm assignment - 30 %
- One Final Exam - 35 %
- Participation - 20 %
- Presentation (Paper, Project, Photographs) - 15 %

Requirements

- Attendance and Participation
- *Nice to have (but not necessary):*
 - access to a good camera
 - access to a good machine with Matlab?
 - access to textbooks
(Robot Vision and Multiview Geometry)

A note on the Exams

- Take home
- High level
- Mostly checking if you understood the *basic* concepts

Other than the Exams

- Presentation
 - A group effort (find your group quickly or I will randomly assign)
 - Can range from presenting a random paper (least effort and learning) to a full project (most effort and learning)
- ICCP: International Conference on Computational Photography 2016 deadline in Dec – If you do well we can submit a paper.

Presentations

- Teams of 2 or 3 are preferred
- Email me this or next week for initial discussion
- Finalize by mid-semester when we have mid-semester practice presentations
- Give final presentation in December

New this Year!

- 3D Printing project
- Combine Computer Vision Concepts with 3D printing
- Completely Gradeless and Optional!
- You will learn Solidworks

Participation



Participation

*A question in this font
and color*

Example

What is your name?

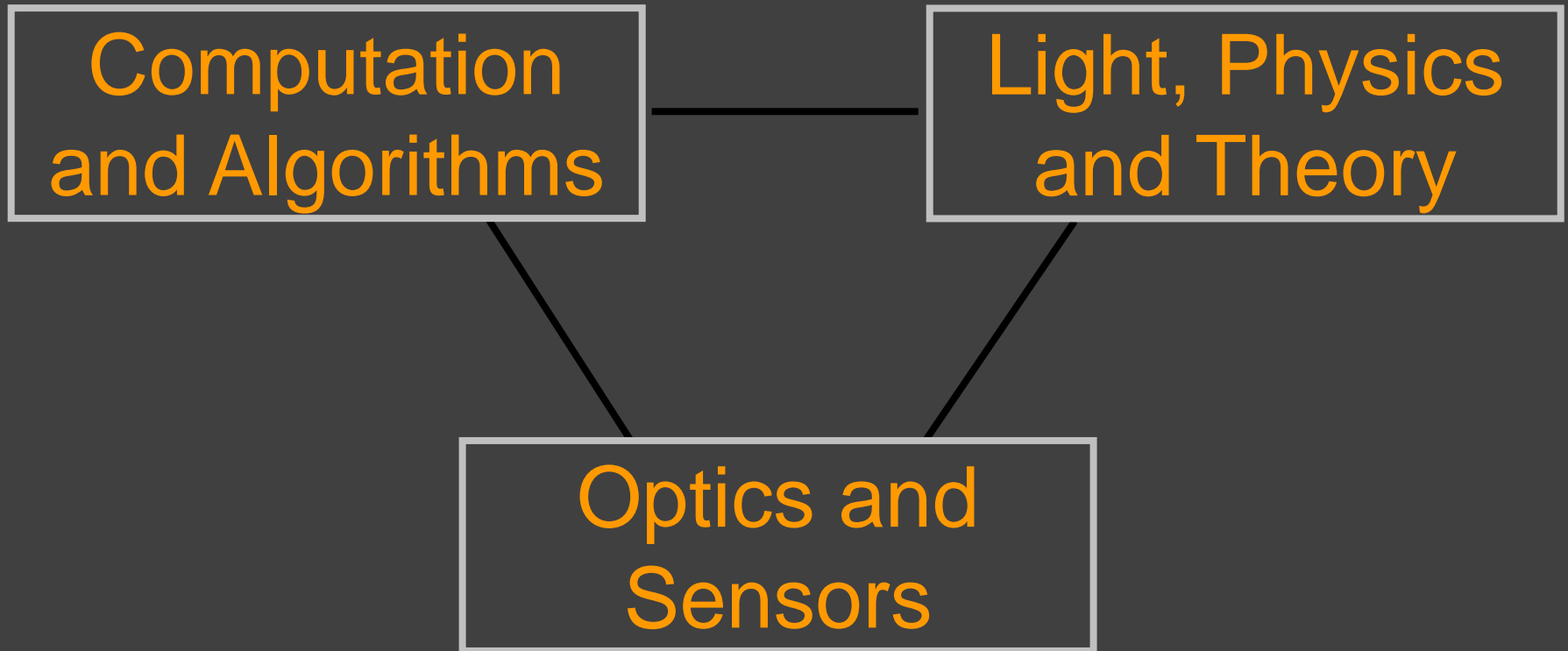
Lesson X

Lessons like this will show up throughout the class.

The last slide will be as summary of the lessons.

Yes, I may mess up the Lesson numbers.

What is Computational Photography?

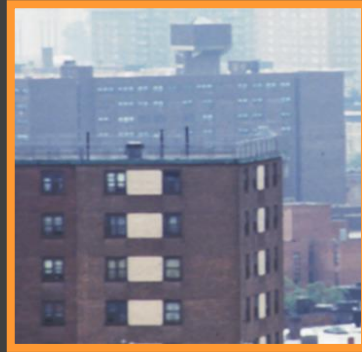


Lesson 1

Computational Photography involves

- computers and algorithms
- light/optics/sensors
- math

Why study Computational Photography?



Computer Vision



Computer Graphics

Computational
Photography



Underwater Imaging



Medical Imaging



Satellite Imaging

Computational Photography over the week

Friday

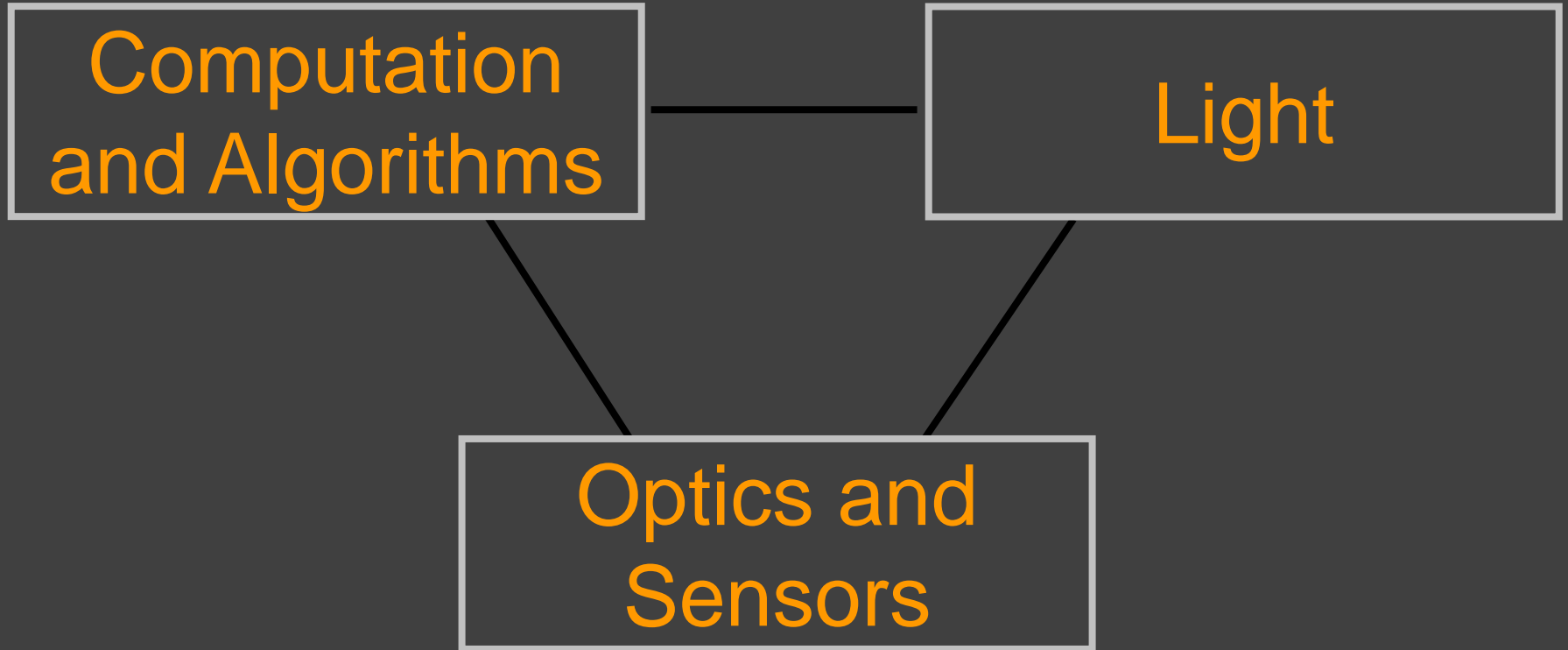
Computation
and Algorithms

Monday

Light

Optics and
Sensors

Tuesday



Light

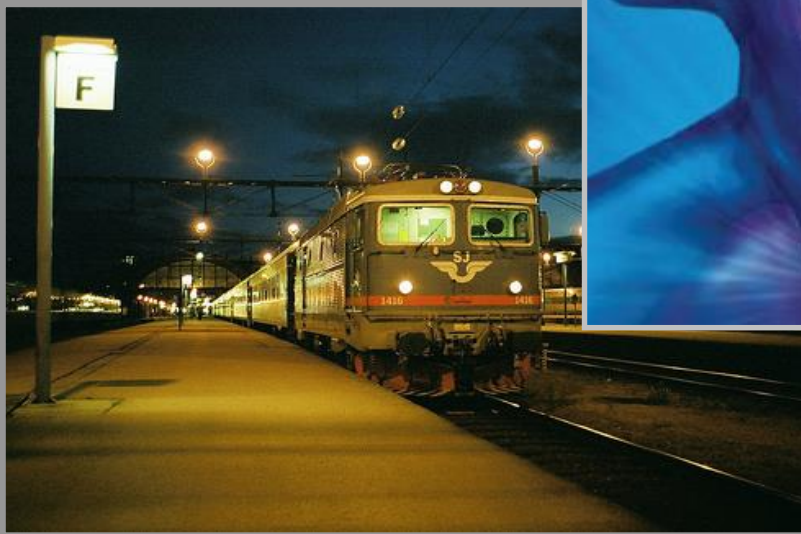
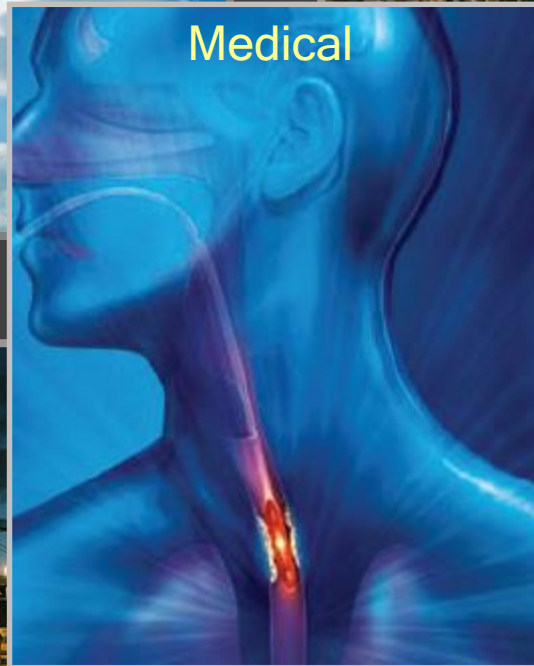
Light-sources are ubiquitous



Outdoors



Indoors



Transport



Display

Light-sources have diversity



Light fixtures



Street lights



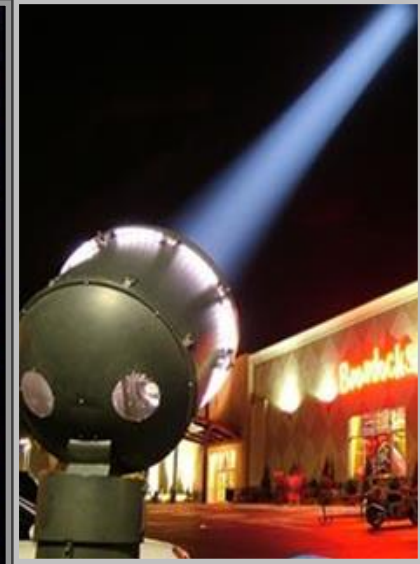
Lava lamps



Stained Glass



Neon signs



Searchlights

What is Light?

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} &= \frac{\rho_v}{\epsilon} && \text{(Gauss' Law)} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{H} &= 0 && \text{(Gauss' Law for Magnetism)} \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} &= -\mu \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial t} && \text{(Faraday's Law)} \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H} &= \mathbf{J} + \epsilon \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} && \text{(Ampere's Law)}\end{aligned}$$

What are these?

Maxwell's Equations

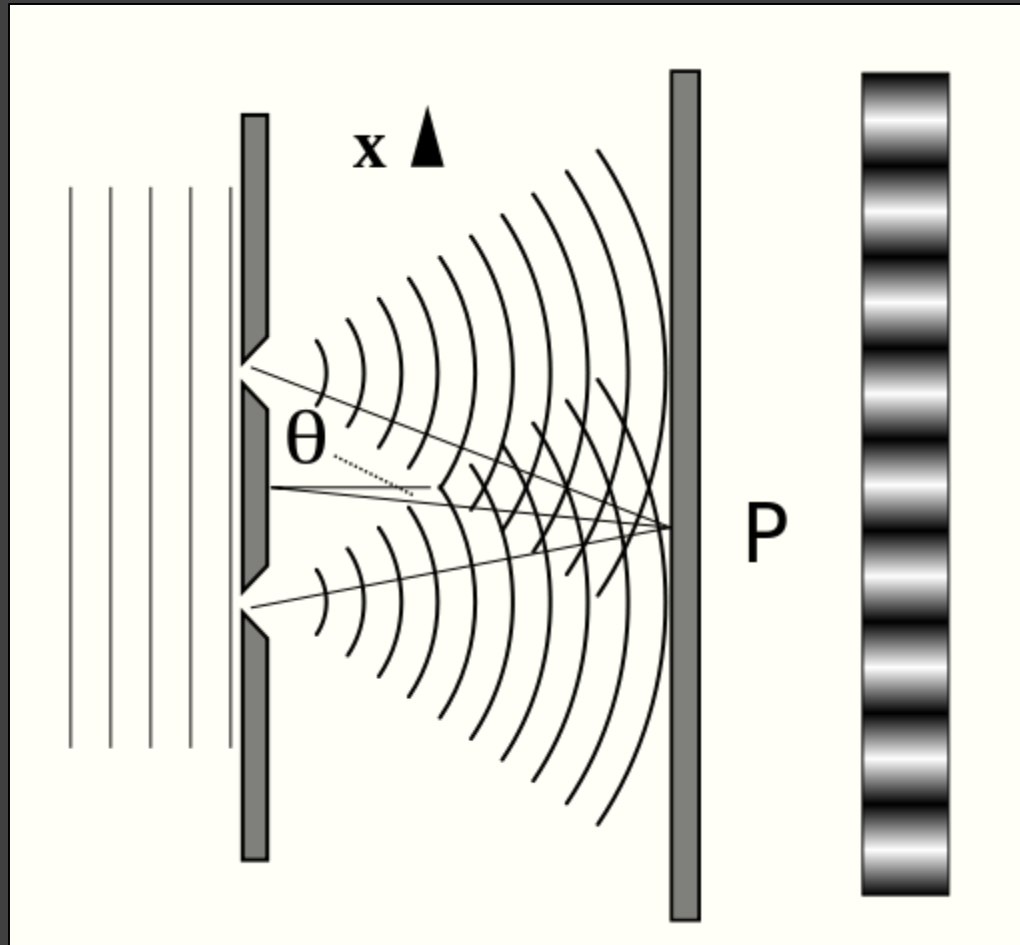
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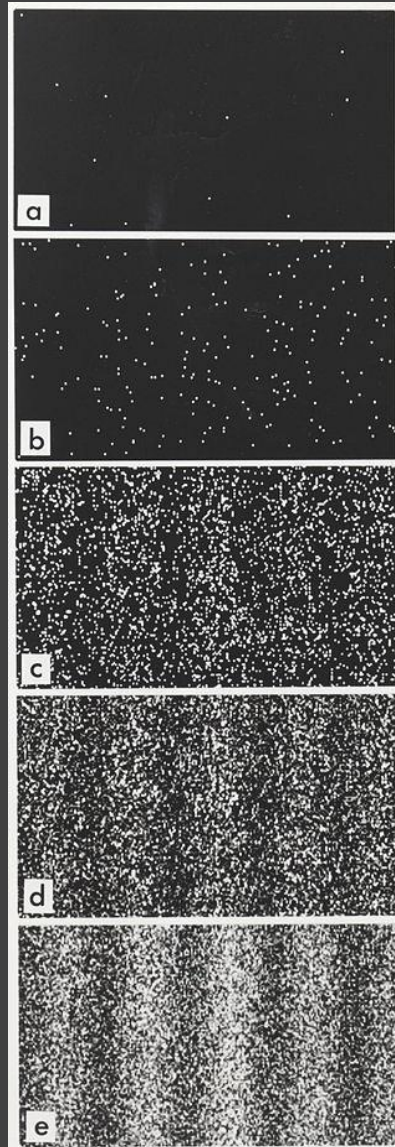
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Dual Nature of Light

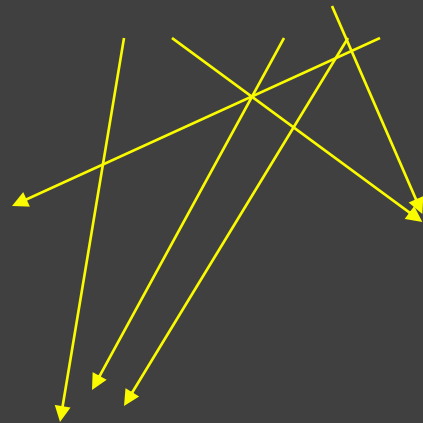
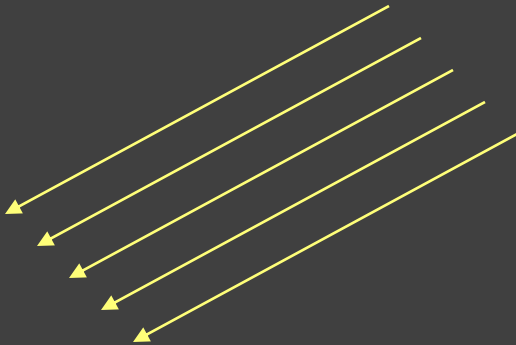


Young's double slit experiment

Photon noise



What makes light sources different

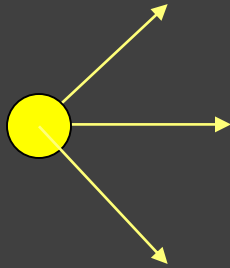


Fall-off

Point source ●

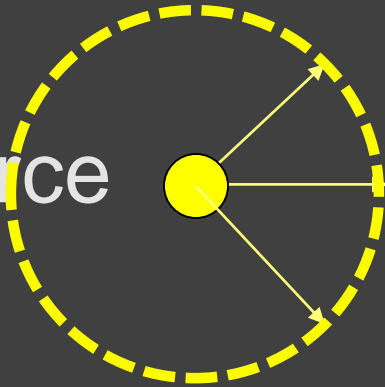
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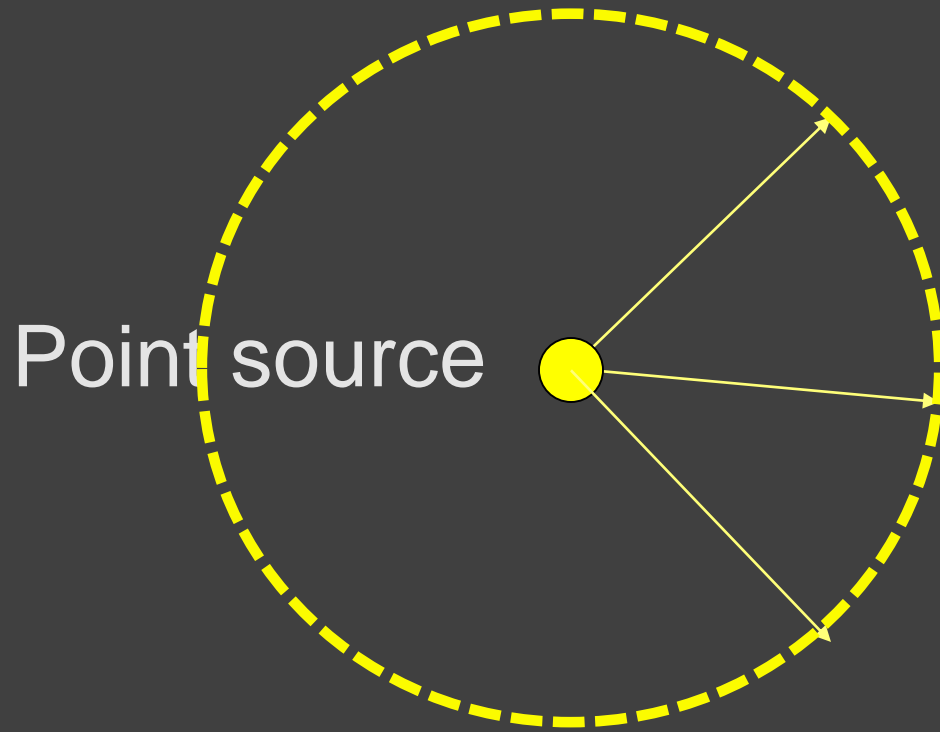


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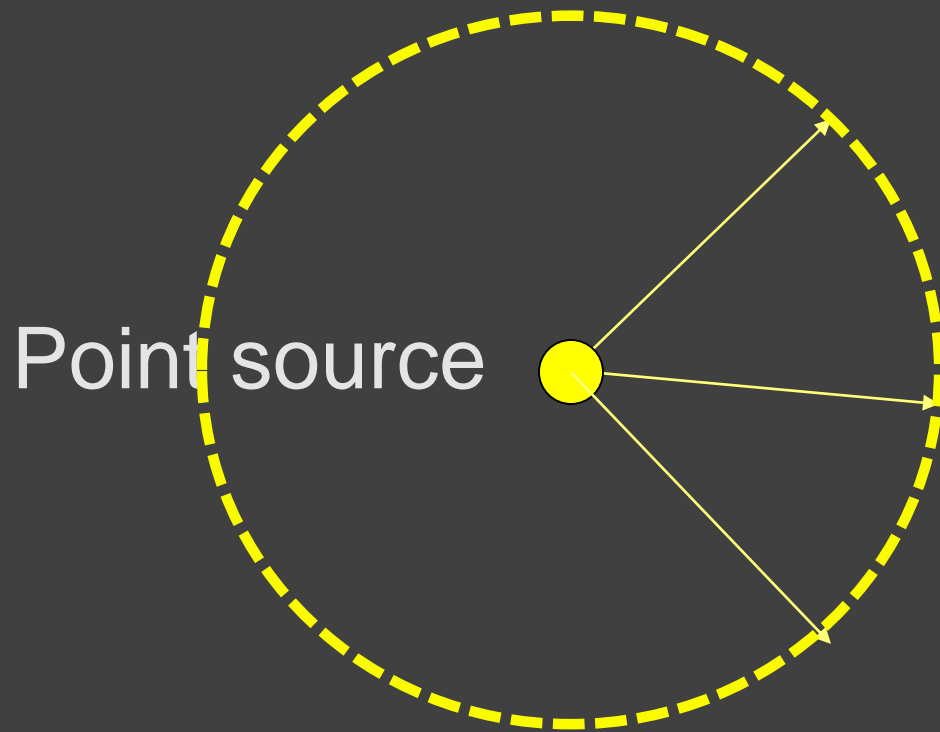
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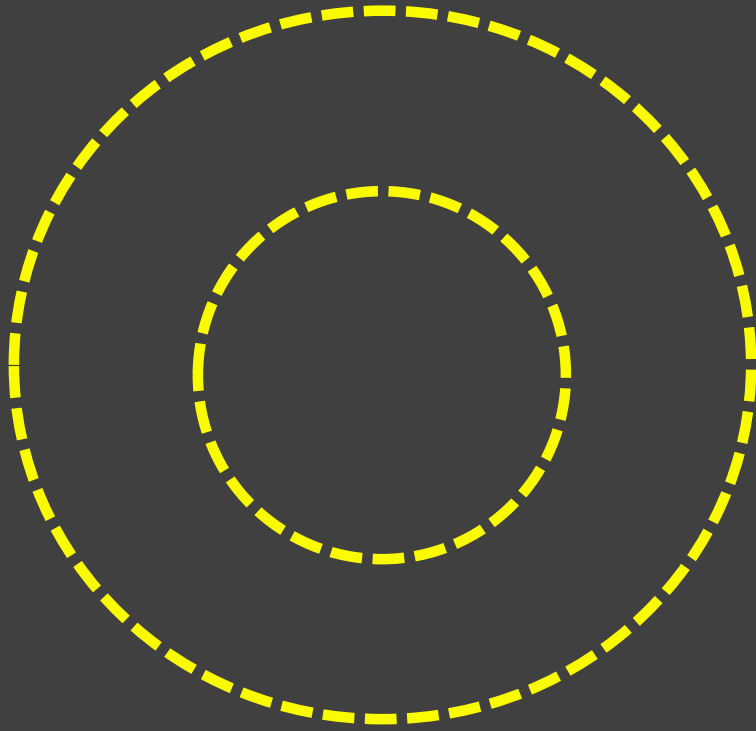


$$1/R^2$$

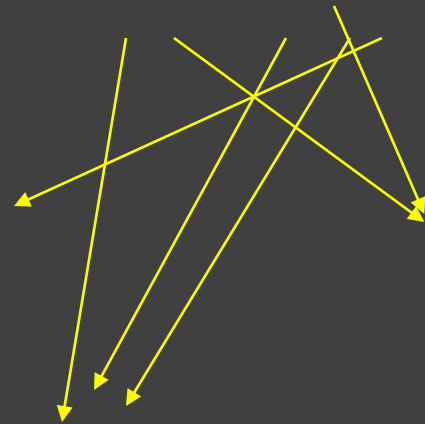
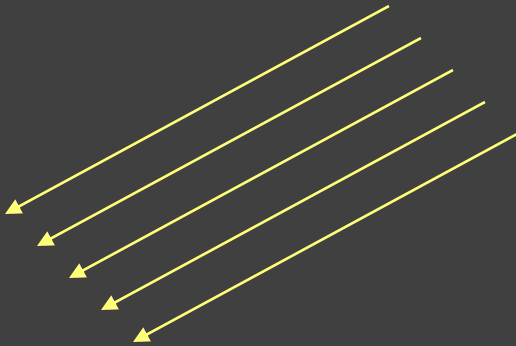
The fall-off depends on geometry



The inverse is true

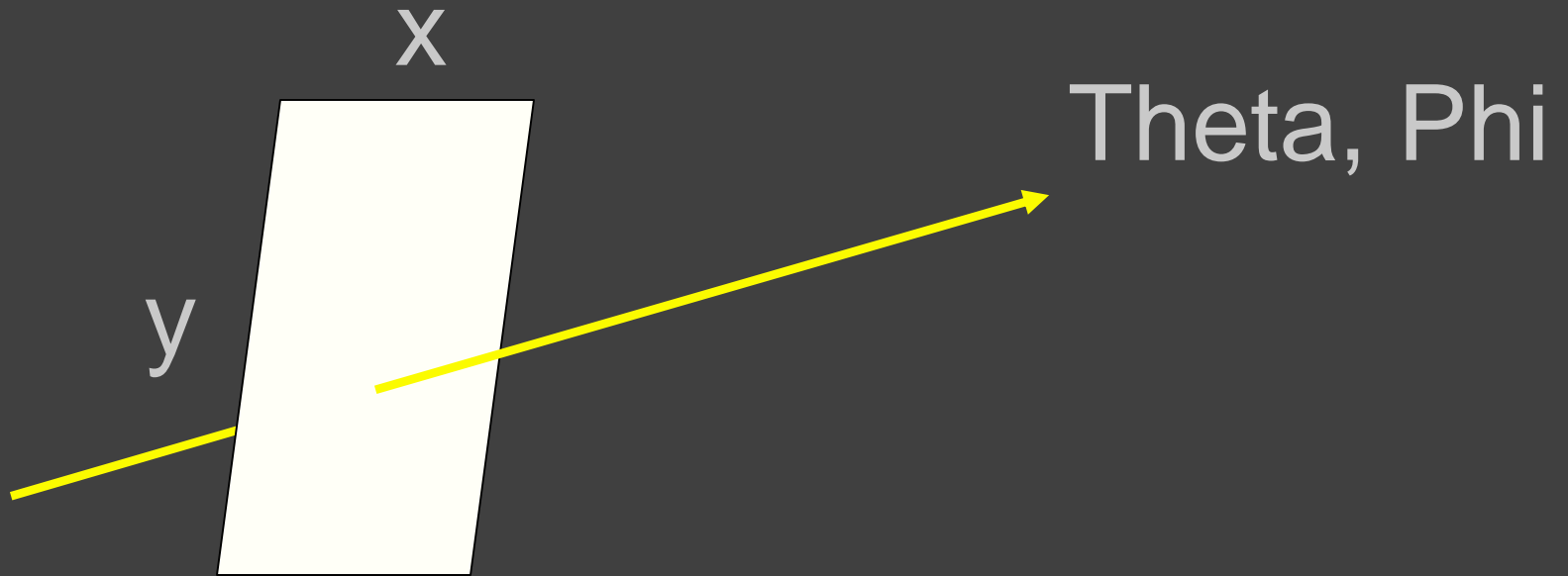


$$1/R^2$$



What are the fall-offs for these?

What is a light-source?

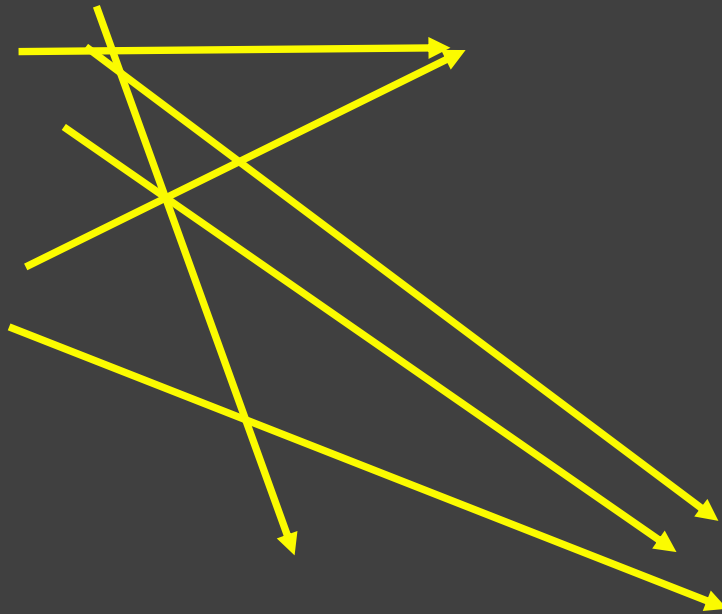


Any light source is a set of rays

$X_1, Y_1, \text{Theta}_1, \text{Phi}_1$

$X_2, Y_2, \text{Theta}_2, \text{Phi}_2,$

⋮



Four dimensional definition

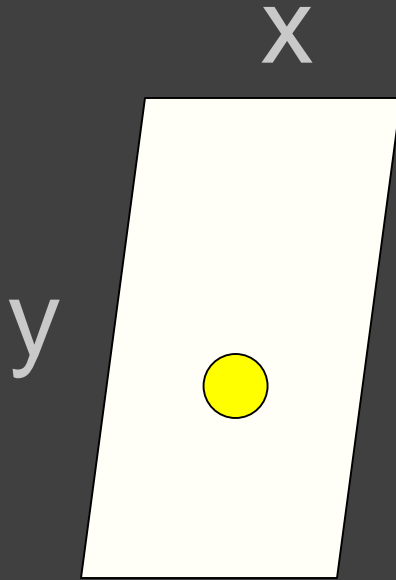
(X,Y, Theta, Phi)



overcast sky	uniform source	∞	∞	∞	∞	4
Cyberware TM scanner		∞	∞	∞	0	3
		∞	∞	0	∞	
fluorescent tube	linear source	∞	0	∞	∞	3
		0	∞	∞	∞	
sunlight	point source at infinity	∞	∞	0	0	2
	uniform distribution of rays in a plane	∞	0	∞	0	2
		0	∞	0	∞	
louvered linear source (see text)	fan of rays perpendicular to a linear source	∞	0	0	∞	2
		0	∞	∞	0	
small panel light	point source	0	0	∞	∞	2
sunlight through crack in doorway	parallel rays in a plane	∞	0	0	0	1
		0	∞	0	0	
rotating spotlight	fan of rays	0	0	0	∞	1
		0	0	∞	0	
spotlight or laser	single ray	0	0	0	0	0

Langer and Zucker

Point source



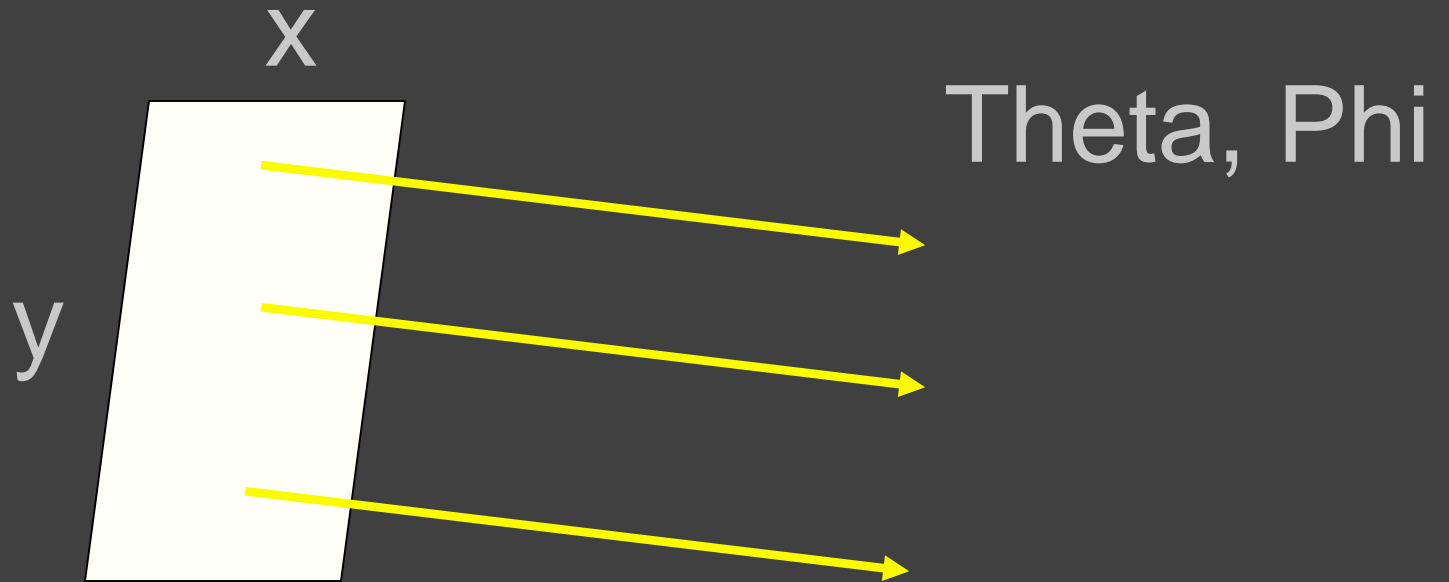
Theta, Phi

Point Source



Constant, Constant, 360, 180

Sun



$[0 \text{ infinity}]$, $[0 \text{ infinity}]$, constant, constant

Four dimensional definition

(X,Y, Theta, Phi)



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Why are there sixteen rows?

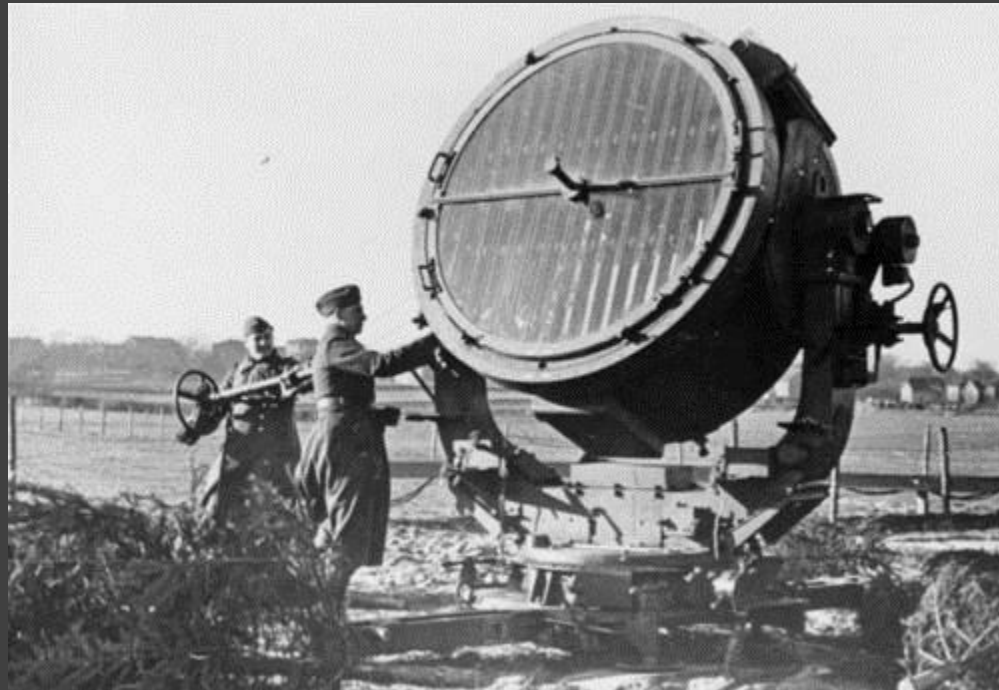
Lesson 2

Computational Photography uses models of light, most of which are geometric in nature.

Properties of Light

Properties of Light: Intensity

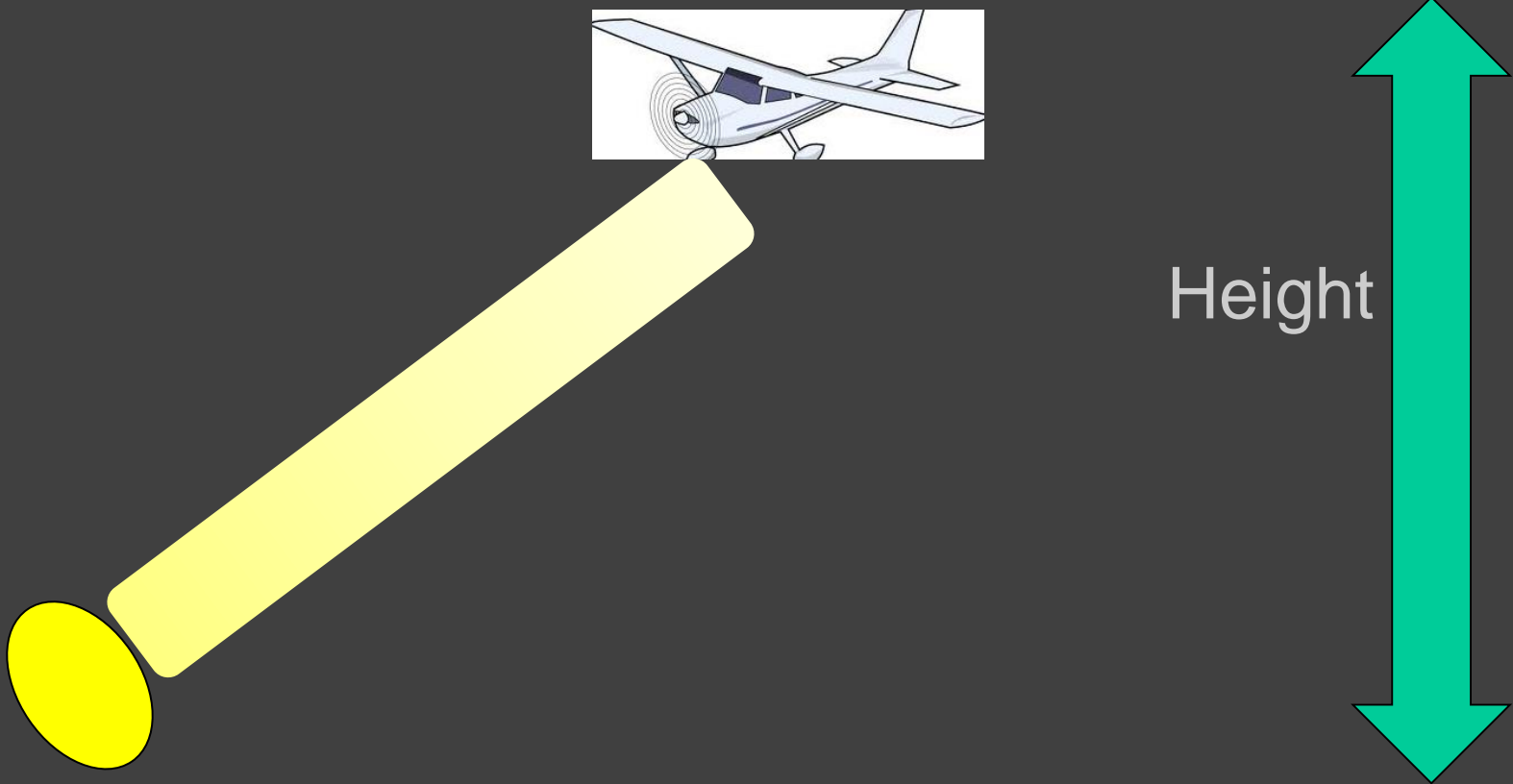
WW 2 Searchlights



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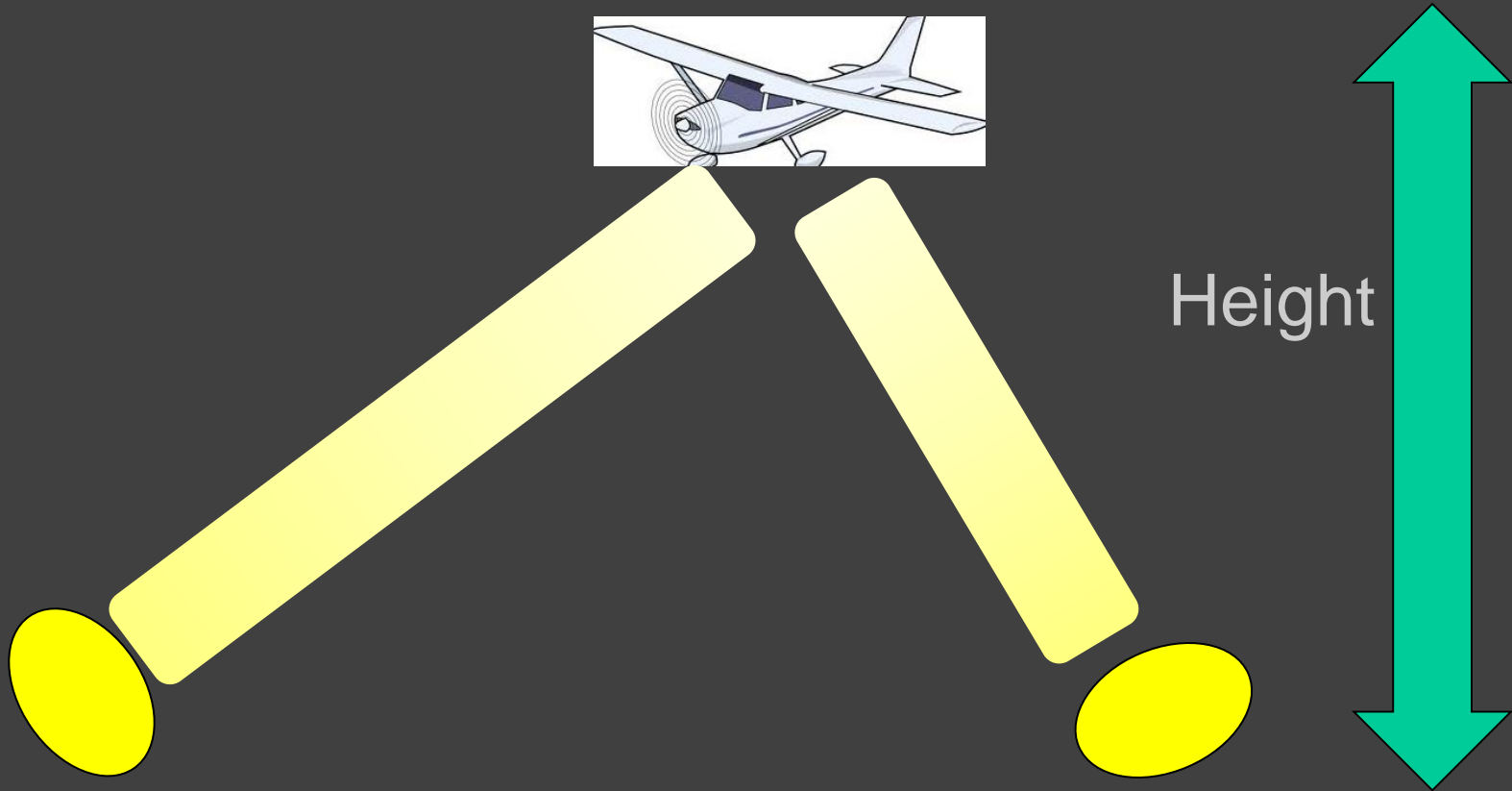
Geometric question



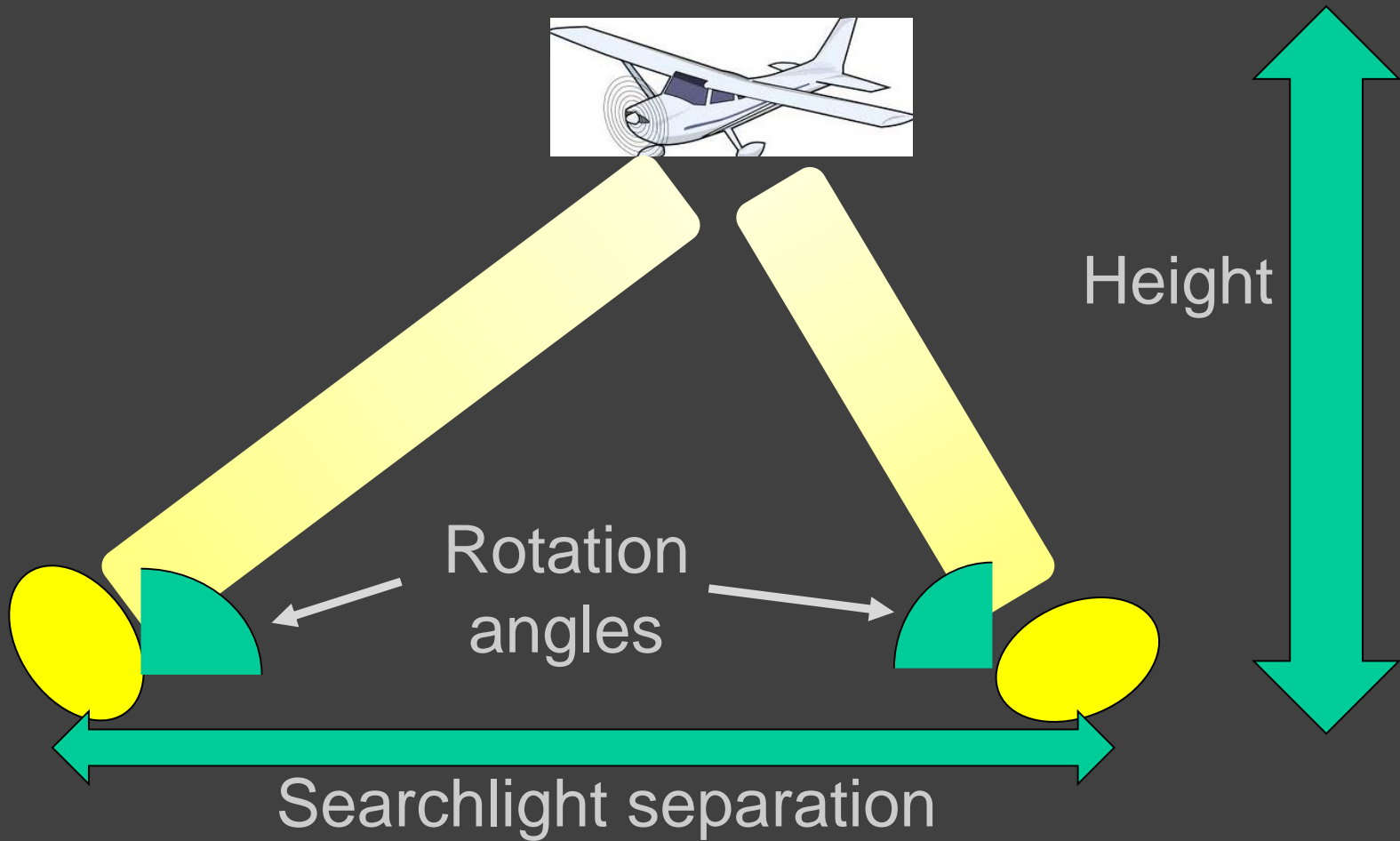
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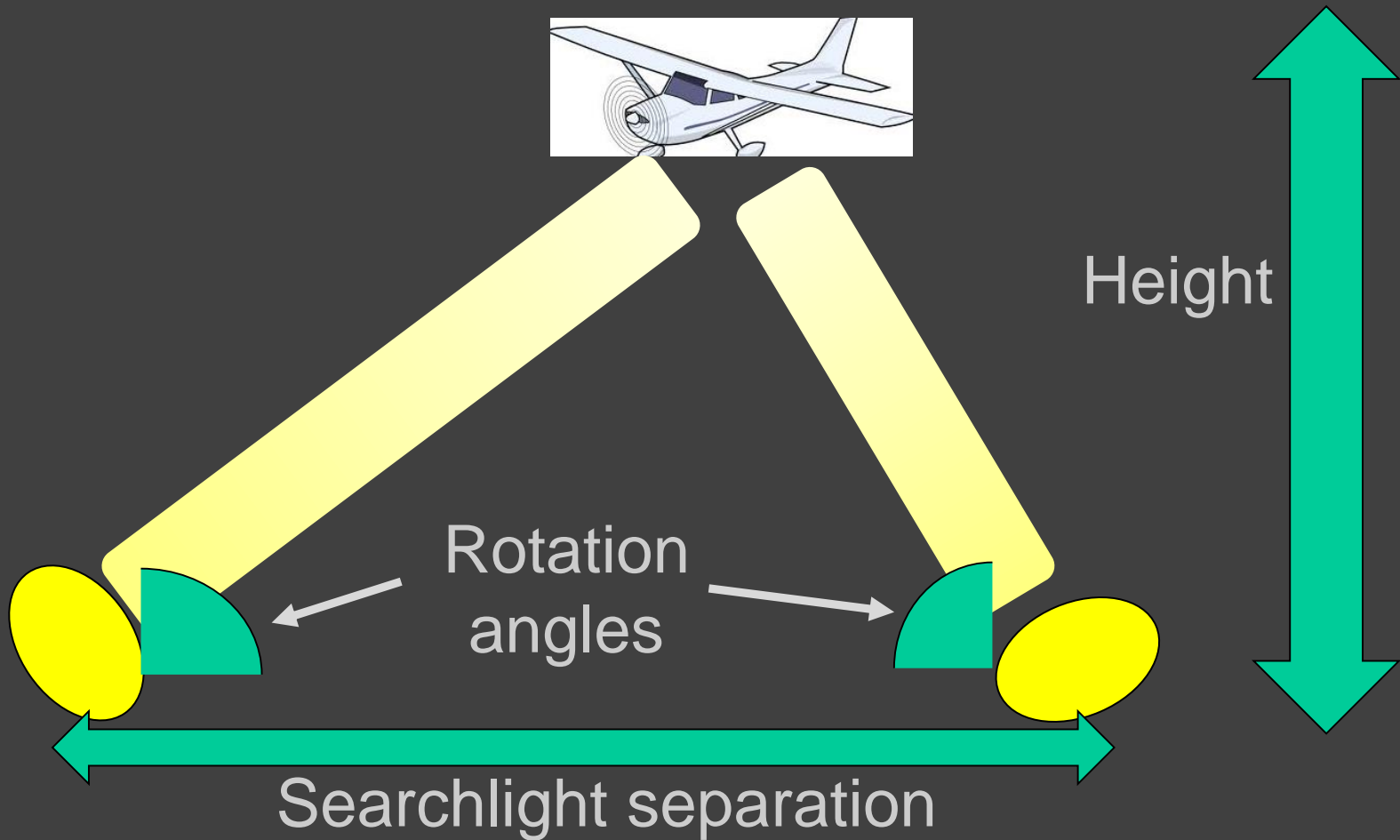
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Geometric question



Geometric question



How do we know when this intersection happens?

Lesson 3

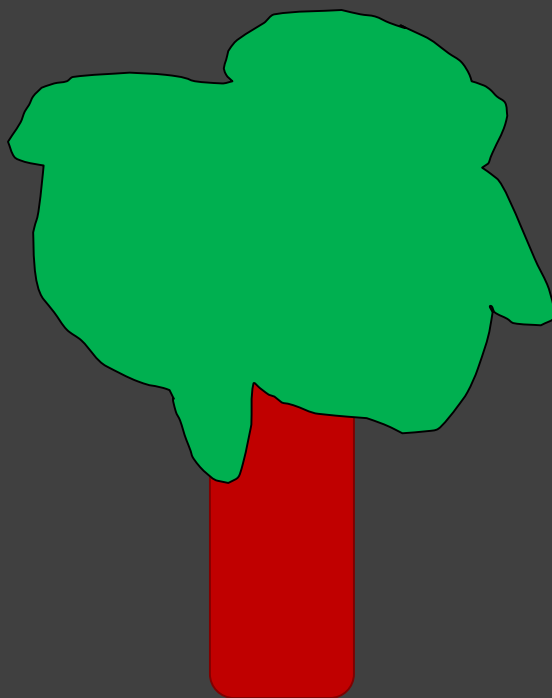
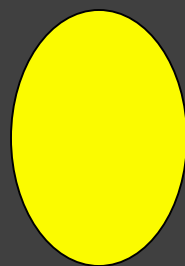
Light can be a tool to find information

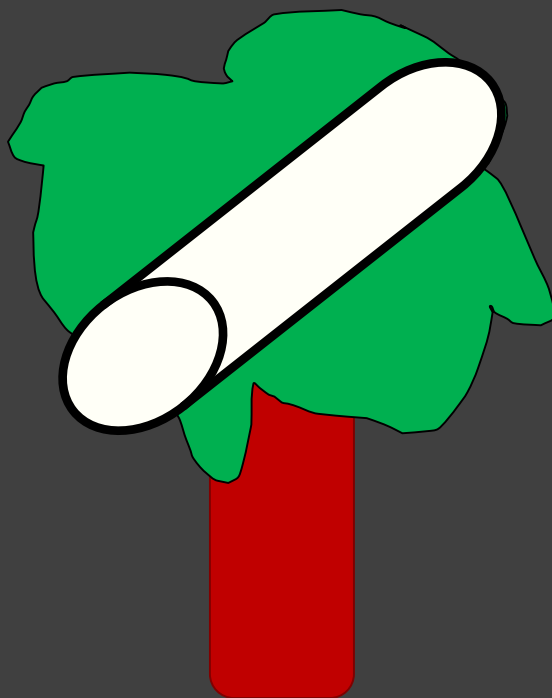
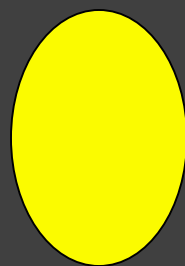
Intensity of Light in Photographs

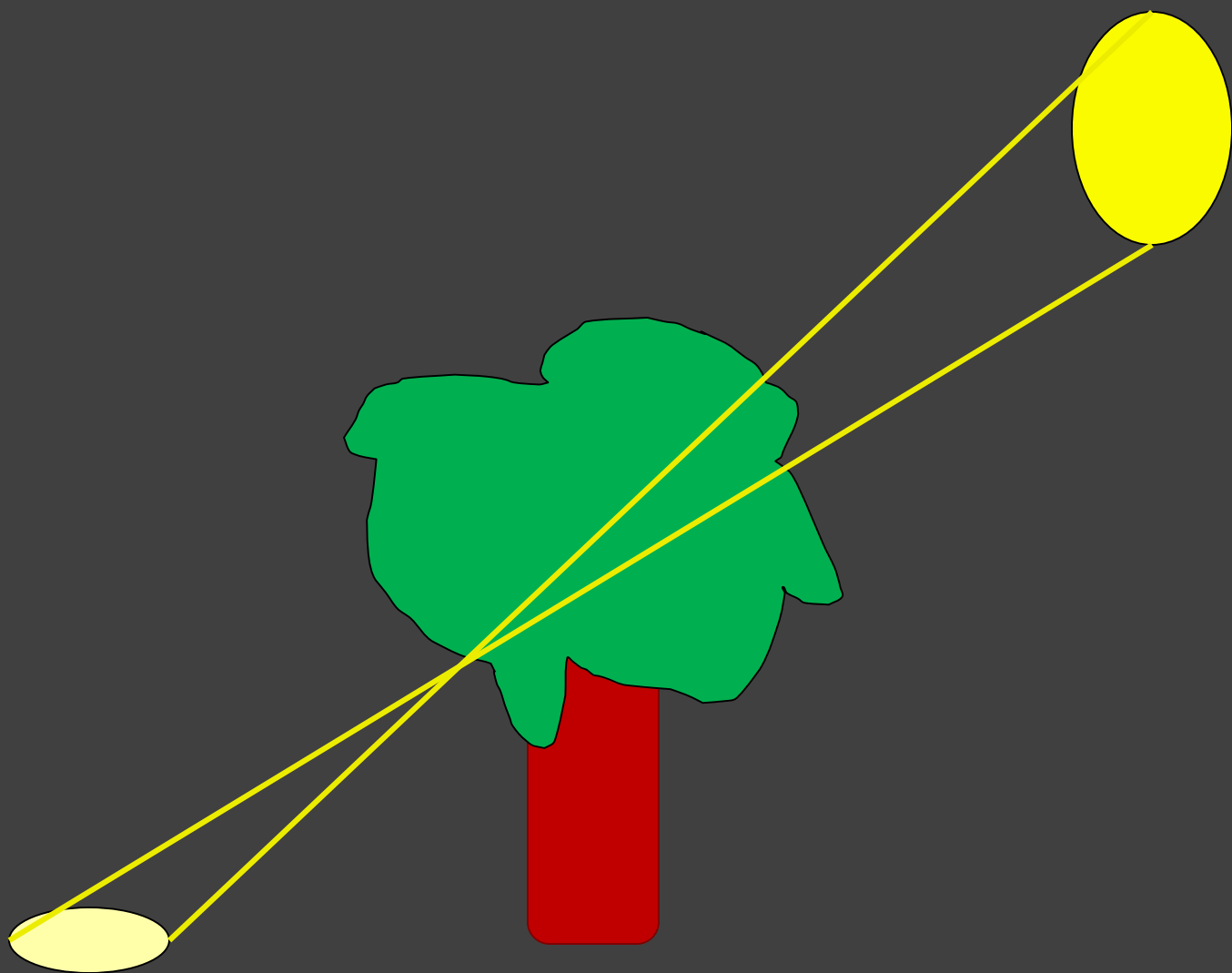




*Why is there
dappled light?*



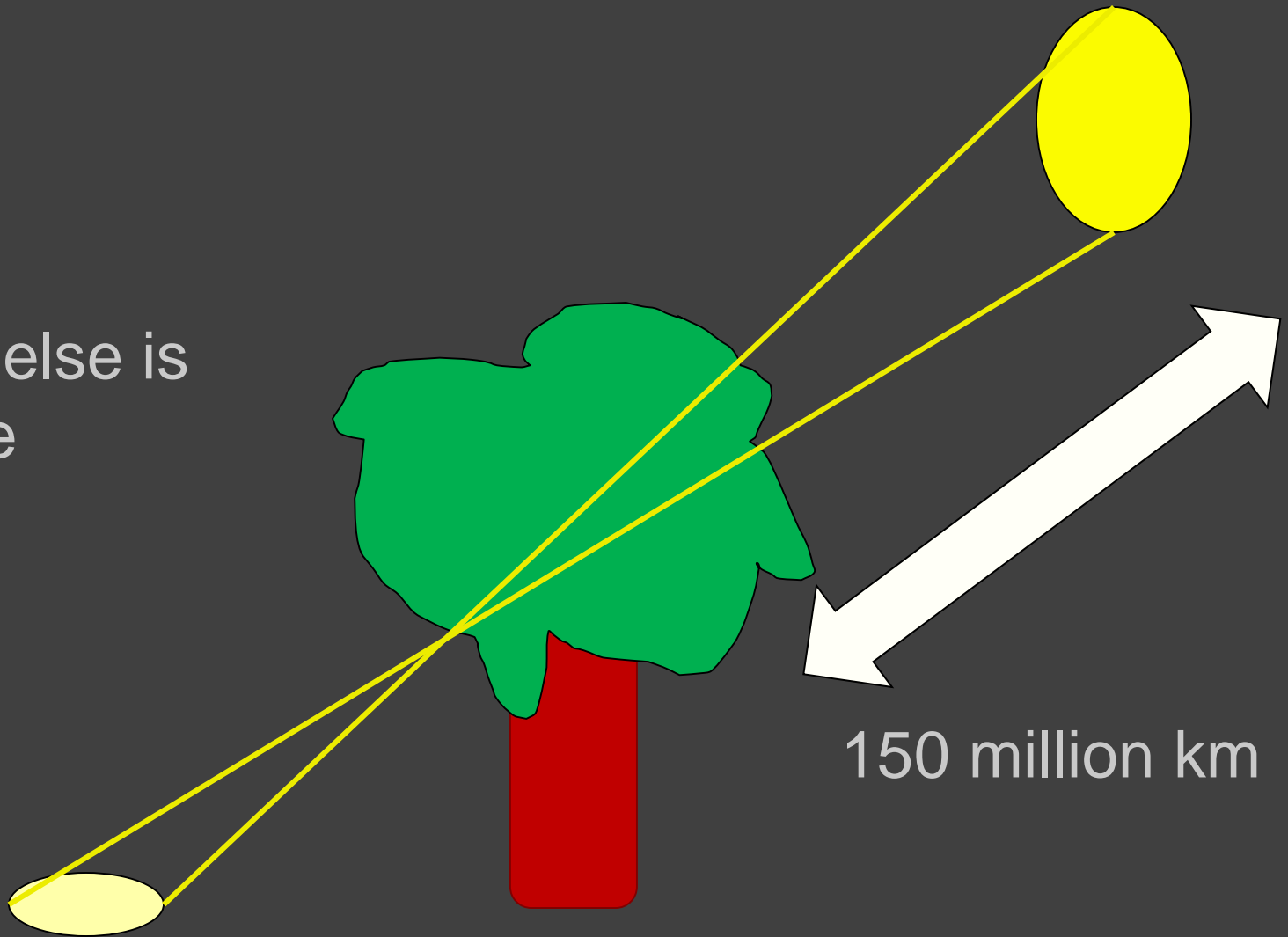








Everything else is
measurable



The intensity of light in
photographs is important

Reflections







*Why does the moon
reflection become a
thick line?*

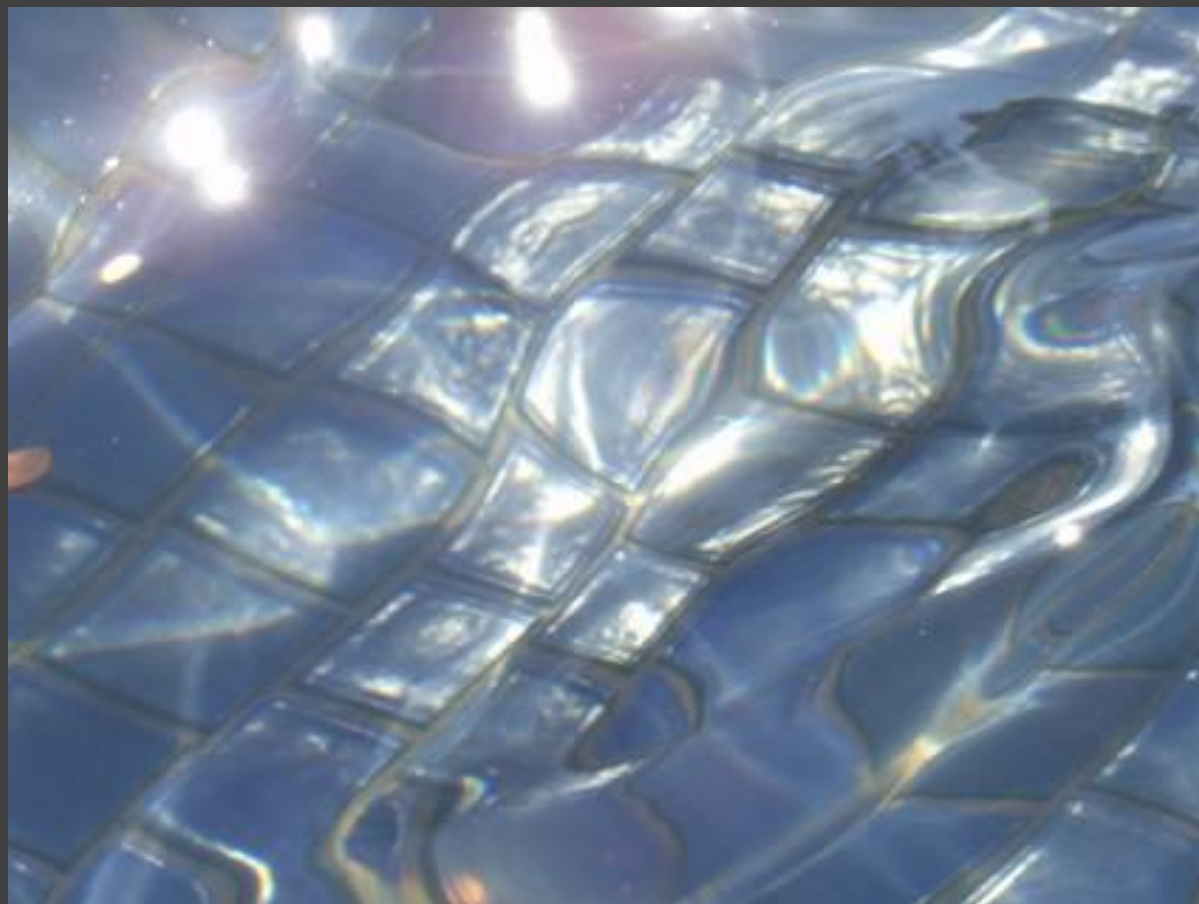








Refractions





Fish eye lens



Fish eye



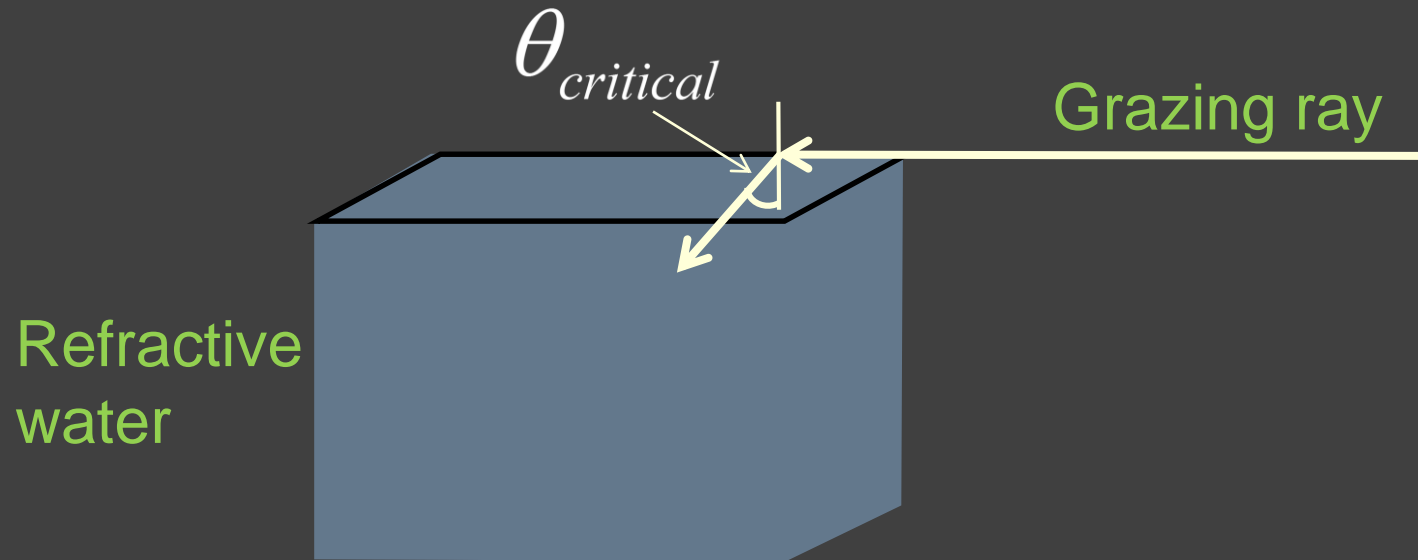
Fish eye lens



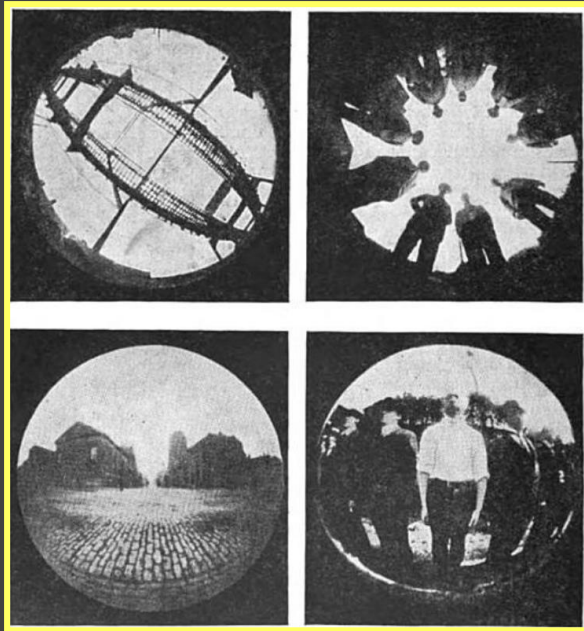
Fish eye

Why is a fish eye lens called that?

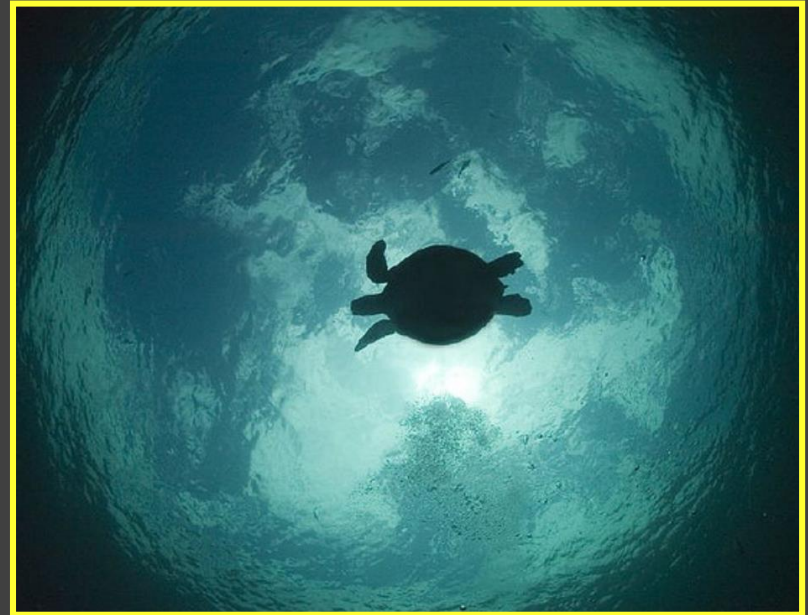
Snell's window



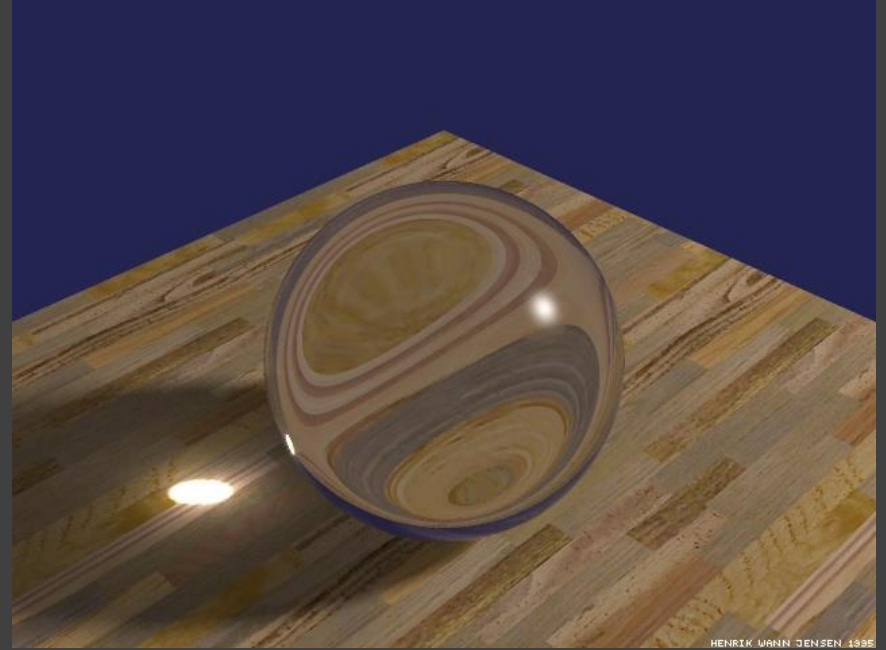
Snell's window in imaging



“Water” camera



Underwater photography



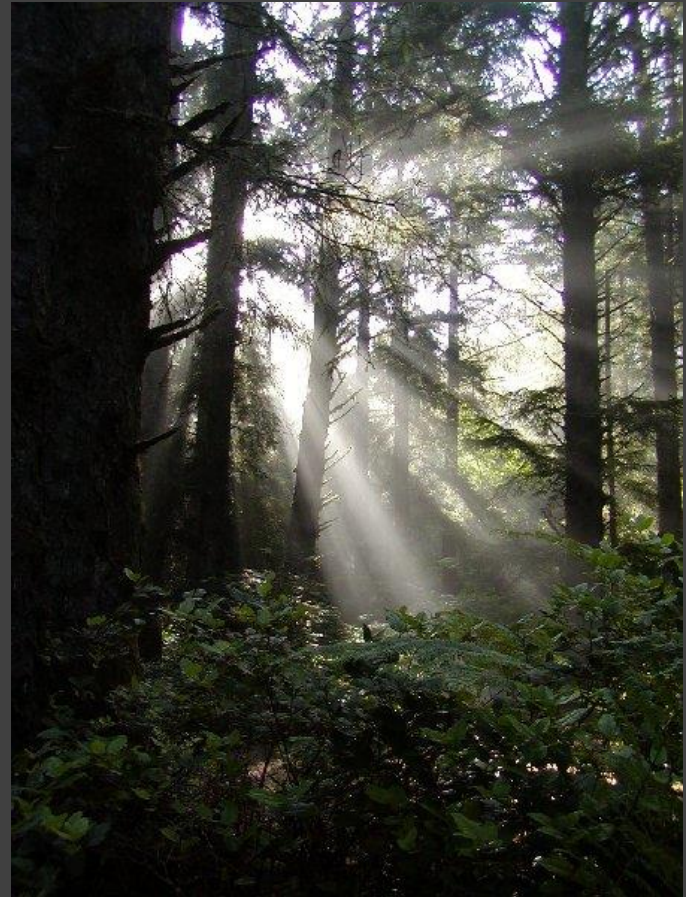


Interreflections

Mies Courtyard House with Curved Elements



Scattering







Haze



De-hazed

















More Complex Appearances



RENDERED BY: HENRIK HANN JENSEN - 2001



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Hair



Marschner et al.







Other Properties of Light:

Color

Polarization

Coherence/Incoherence

Other Properties of Light: Color

Color



Color

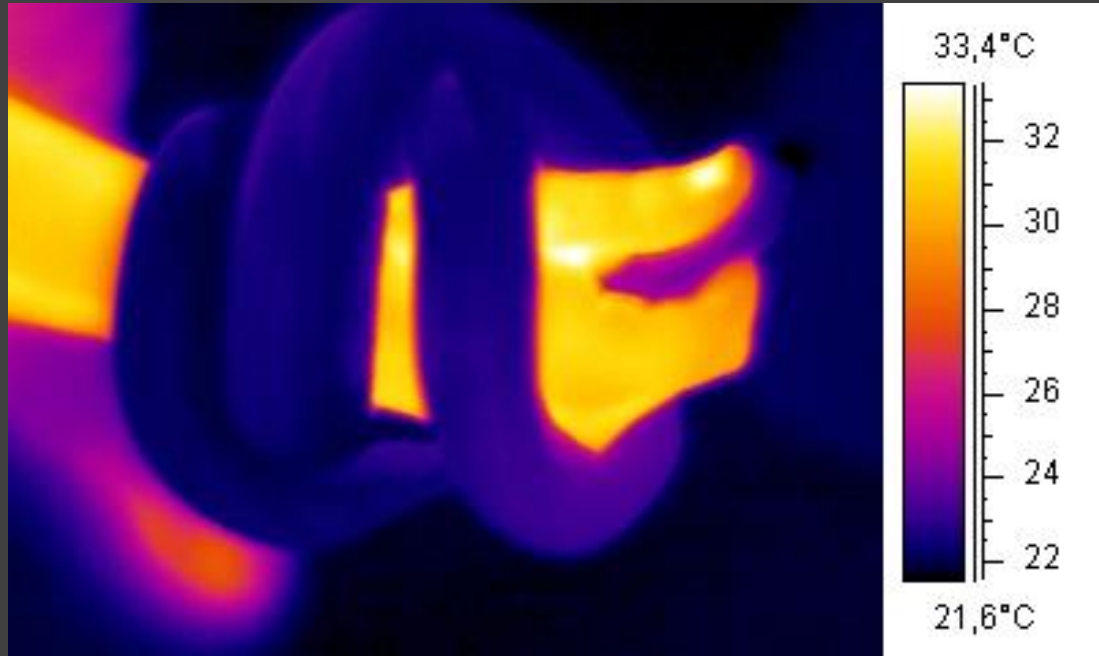


What has changed?

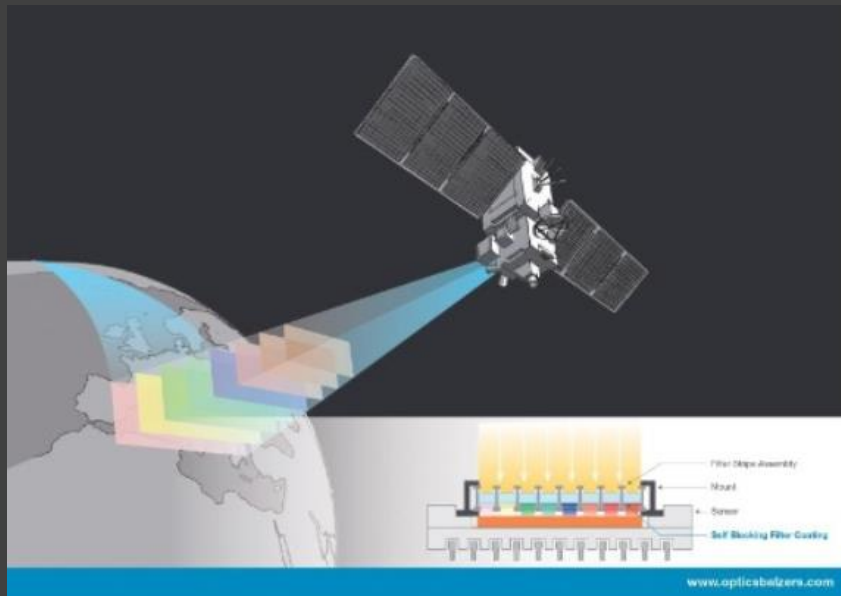
UV Photographs



Thermal imagery

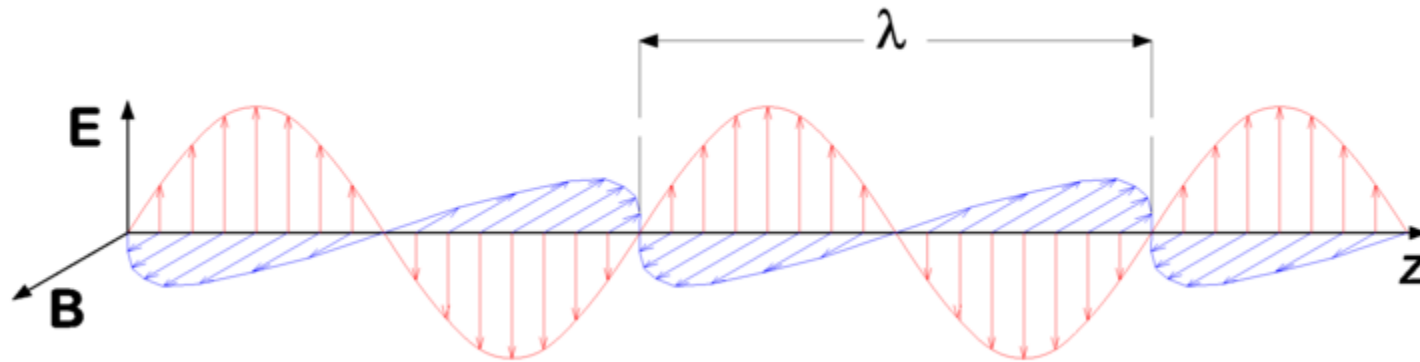


Multispectral imaging in remote sensing

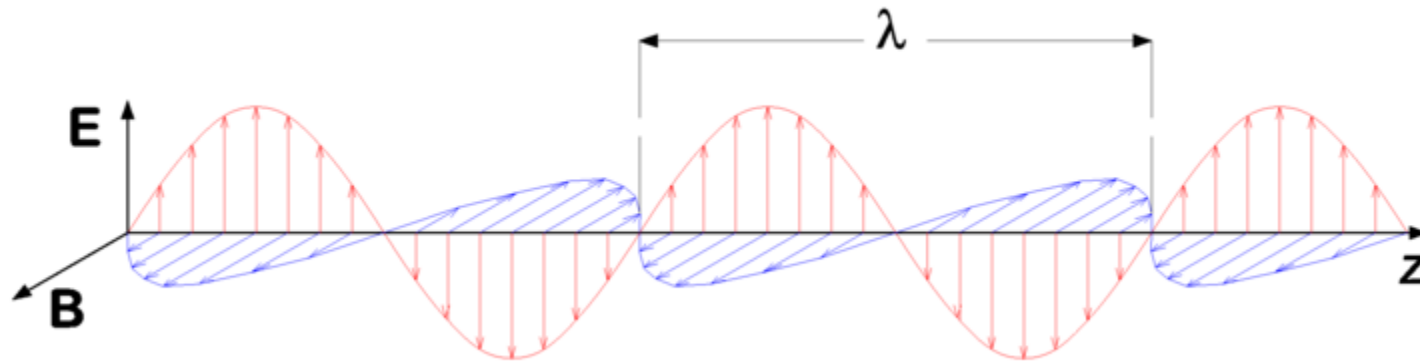


Other Properties of Light: Polarization

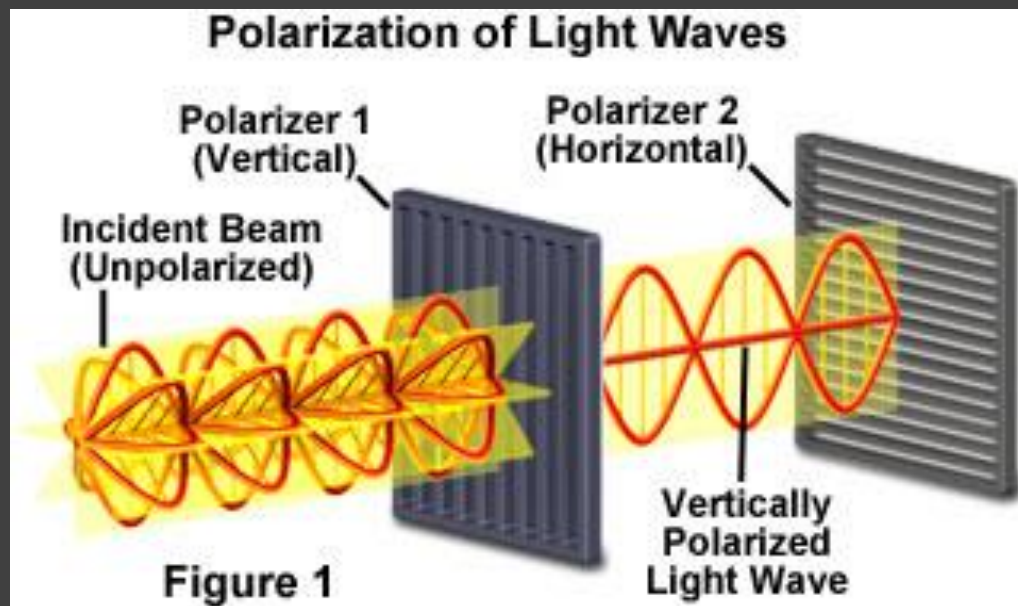
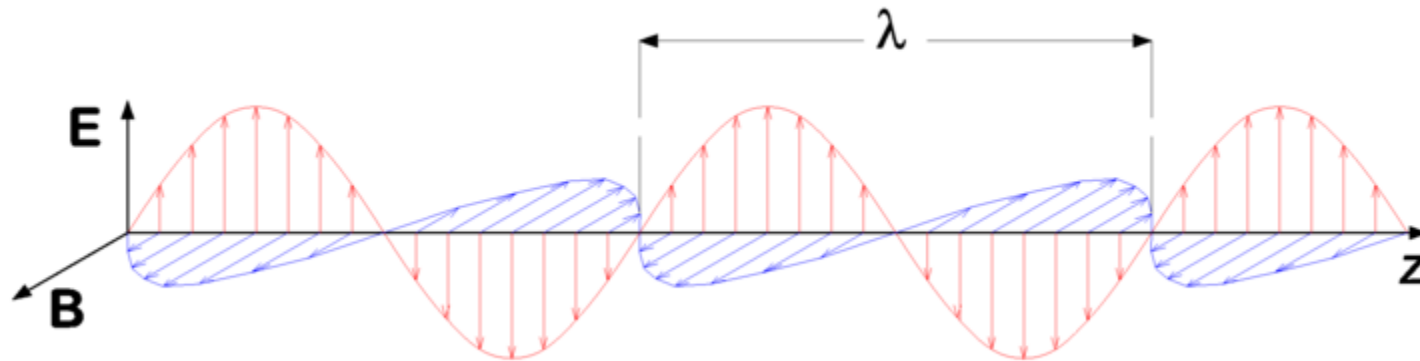
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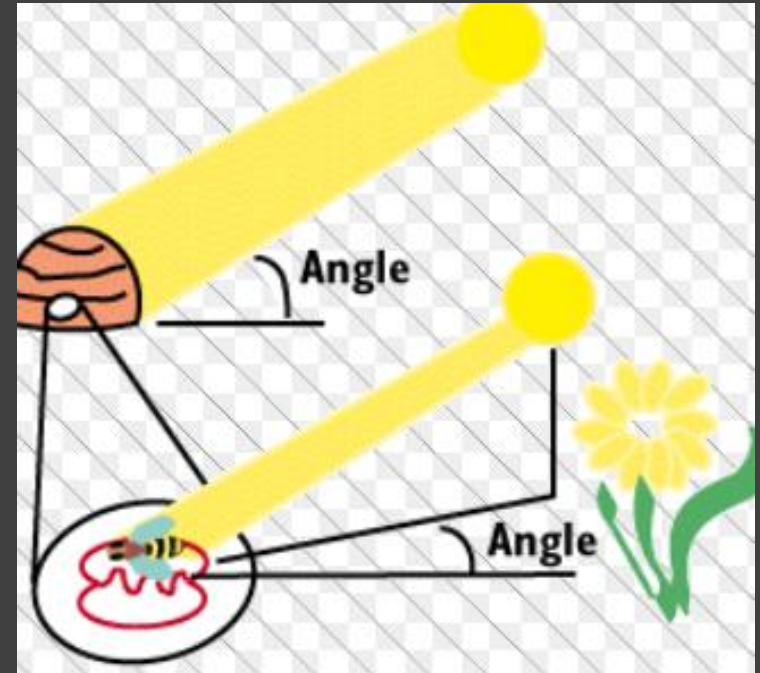
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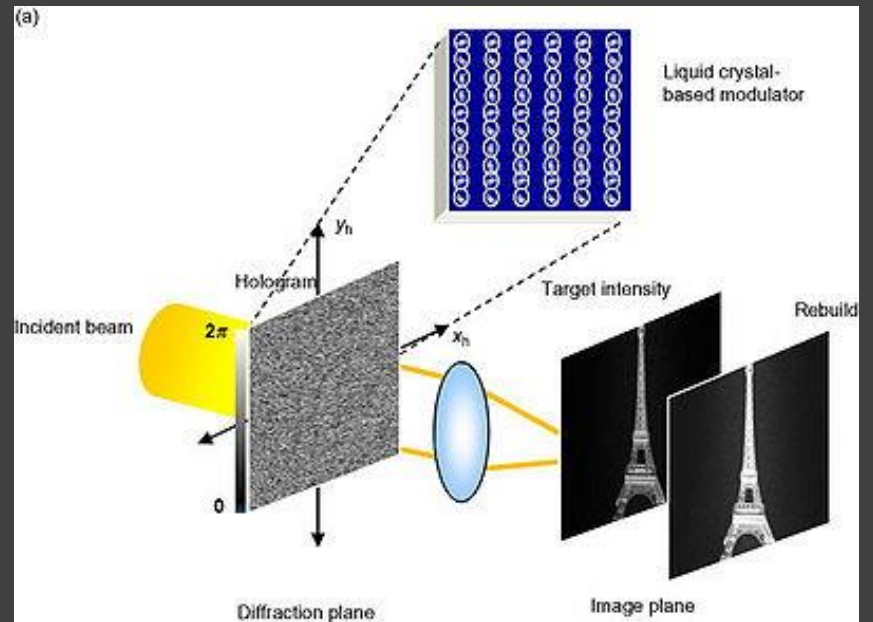
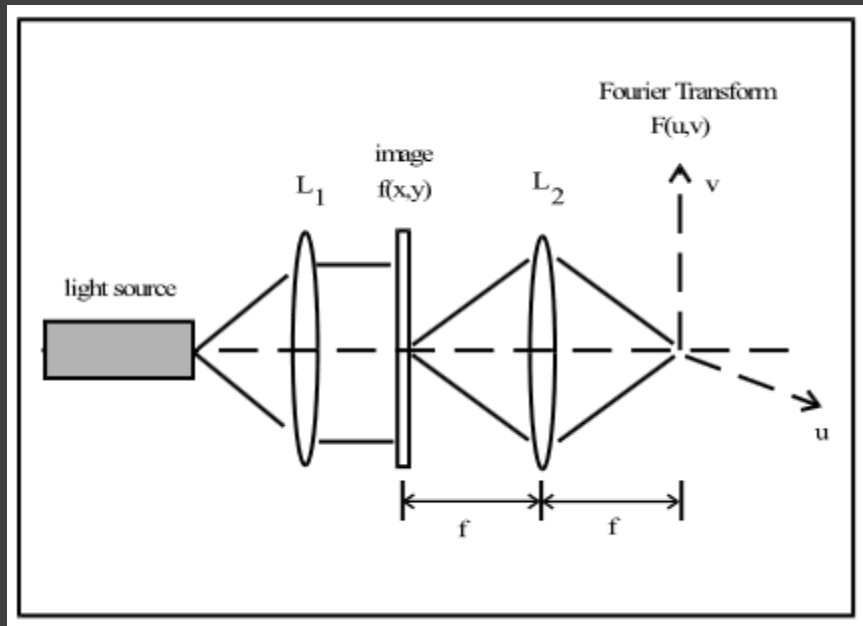
Polarization



Polarization is everywhere



Other Properties of Light: Coherence



Other Properties of Light: Scale



Scale is Everything
Geometry vs. Reflectance vs. Statistics vs. Sensor

Lesson 4

Various optical phenomenon

Reflection

Caustics

Refraction

Interreflections

Polarization

Scattering

Diffraction

Interference

Thank you

Lesson summary:

1. Comp. Photography involves algorithms, optics, models of light and theory.
2. There are many geometric models of different light sources.
3. Light can be used as a tool to find out scene information
4. Photographs show a tremendous number of light effects such as reflection, refraction, polarization, scattering, interference and others