Photometric Image Formation

Computer Vision I

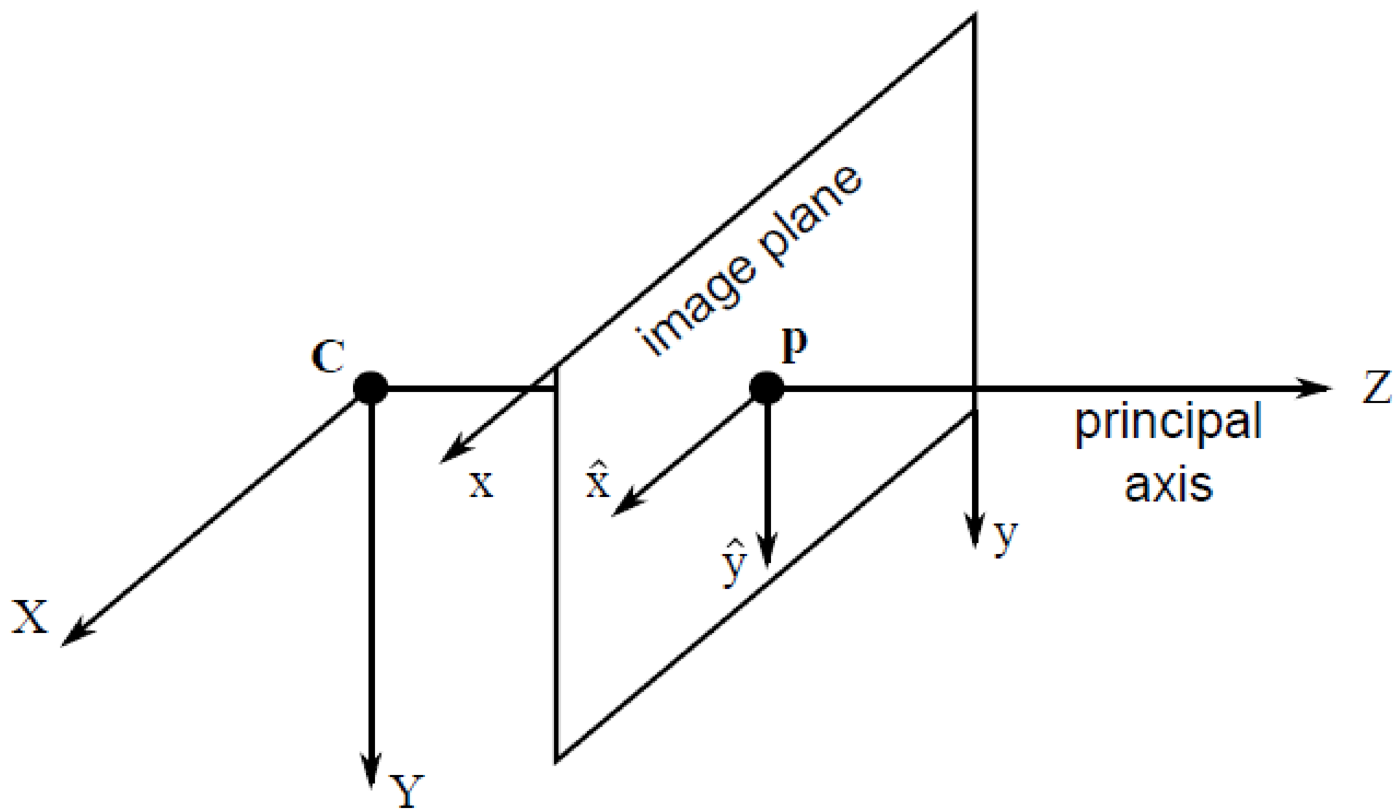
CSE 252A

Lecture 3

Announcements

- Assignment 0 is due Oct 6, 11:59 PM
- Assignment 1 will be released Oct 6
  - Due Oct 20, 11:59 PM
- Reading:
  - Szeliski
    - Section 2.2

Geometric image formation

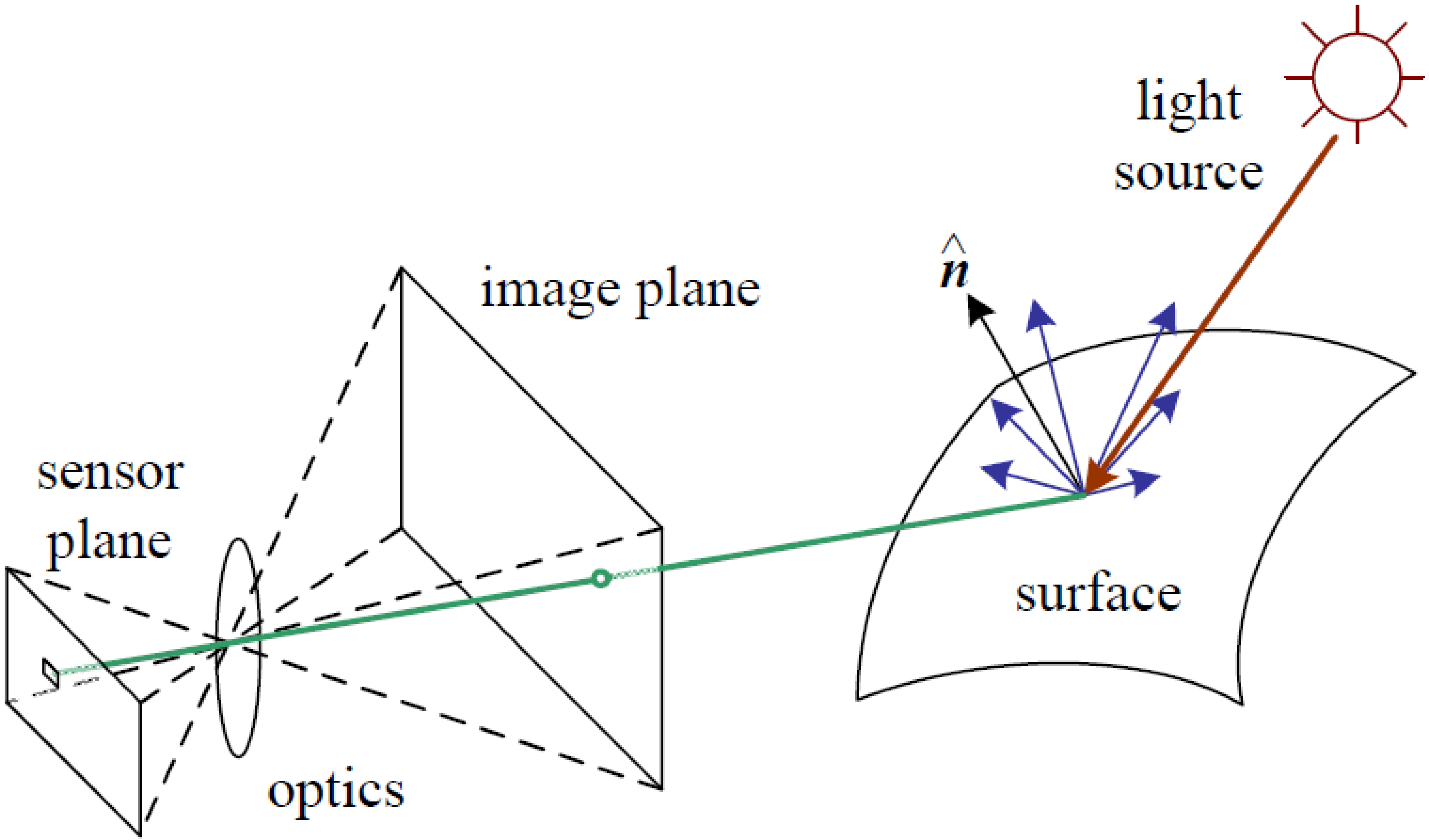


The projective camera

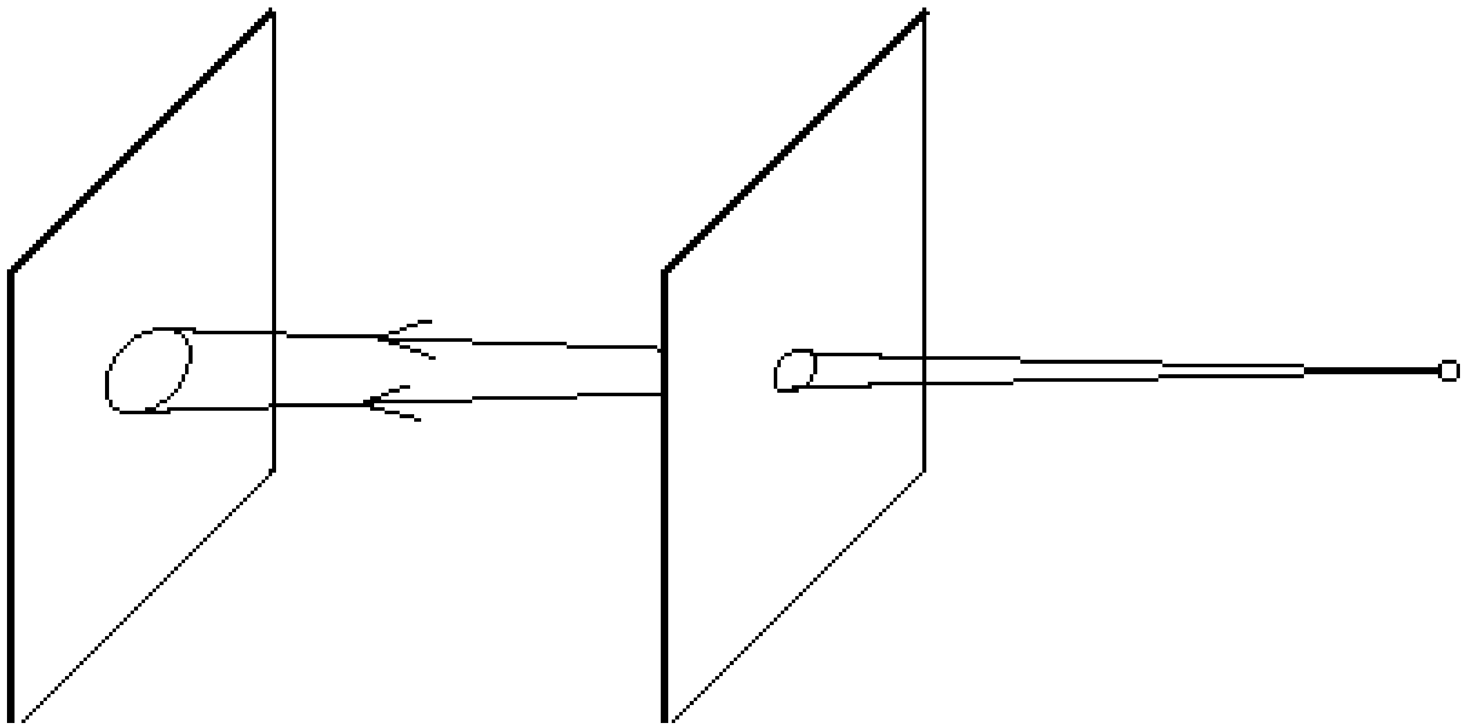
- Extrinsic Parameters: Since camera may not be at the origin, there is a rigid transformation between the world coordinates and the camera coordinates
- Intrinsic parameters: Since scene units (e.g., cm) differ image units (e.g., pixels) and coordinate system may not be centered in image, we capture that with a 3x3 transformation comprised of focal length, principal point, pixel aspect ratio, and skew

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x & 0 & x_0 \\ 0 & \alpha_y & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Intrinsic parameters}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & t_X \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & t_Y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & t_Z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Extrinsic parameters}} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ W \end{bmatrix}$$

Photometric image formation

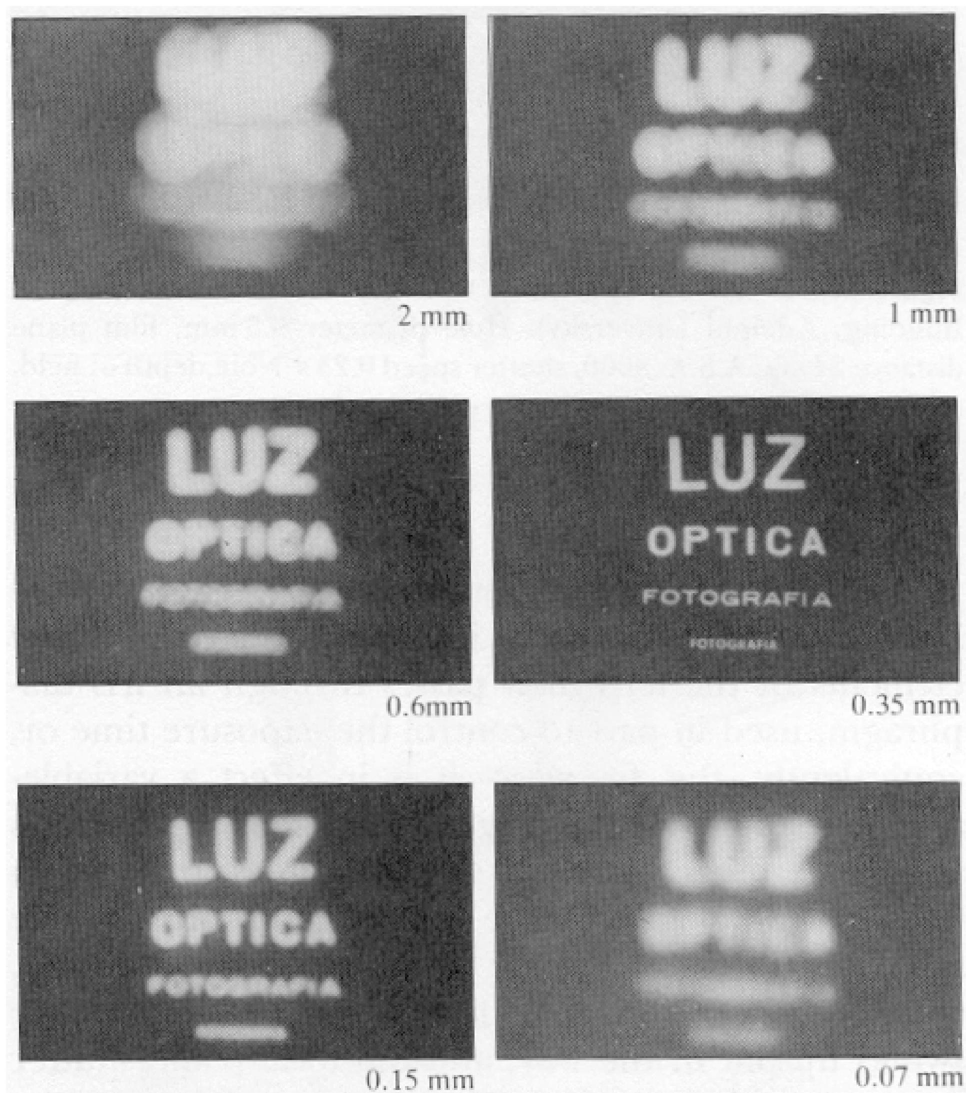


Beyond the pinhole Camera
Getting more light – Bigger Aperture



Pinhole Camera Images with Variable Aperture

2 mm **1mm**

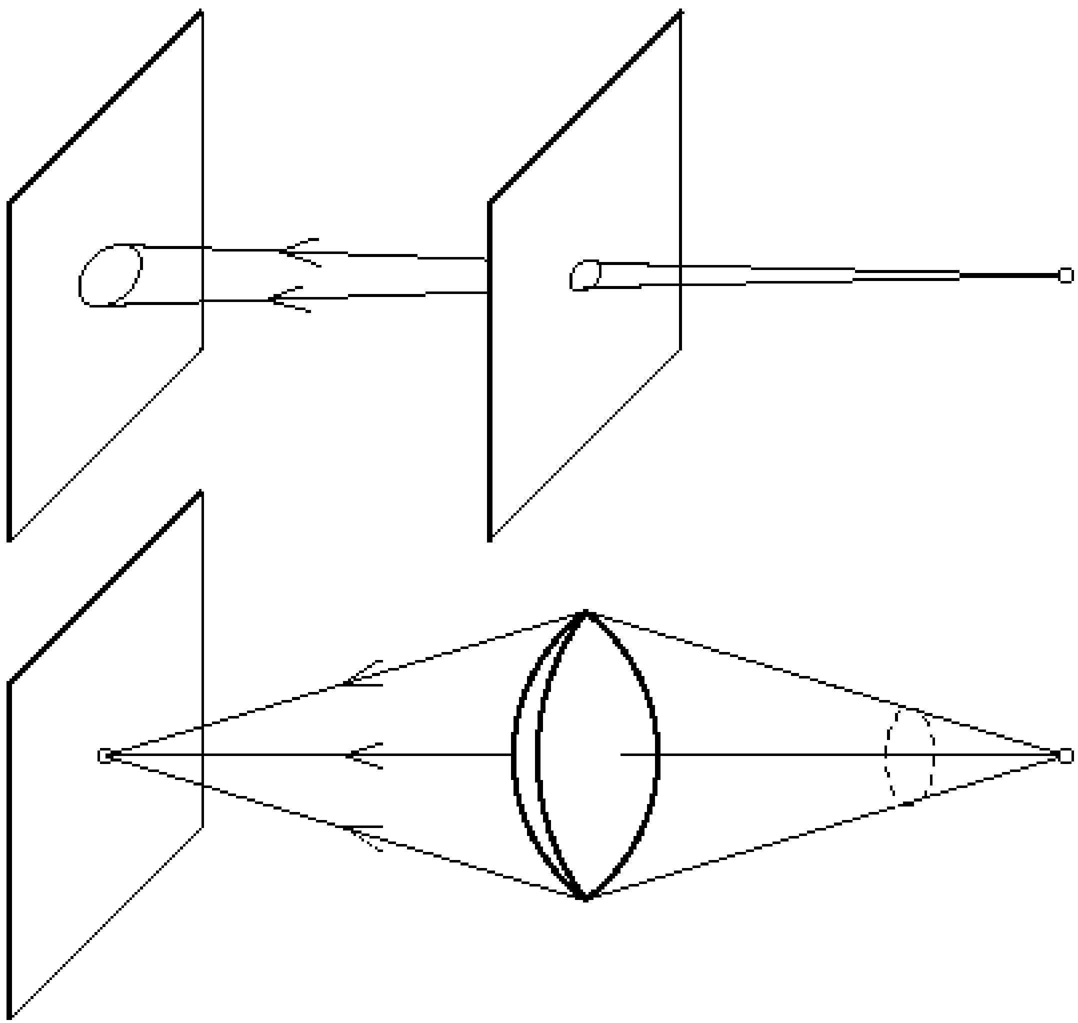


.6 mm **.35 mm**

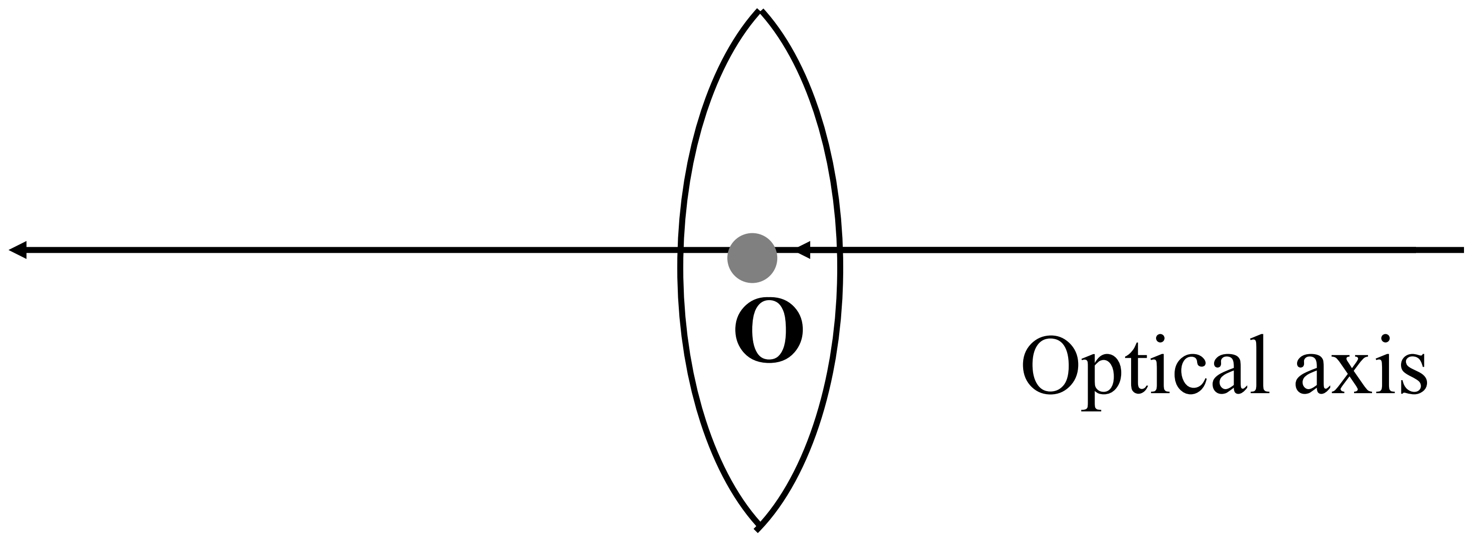
.15 mm **.07 mm**

The reason for lenses

We need light, but big pinholes cause blur.

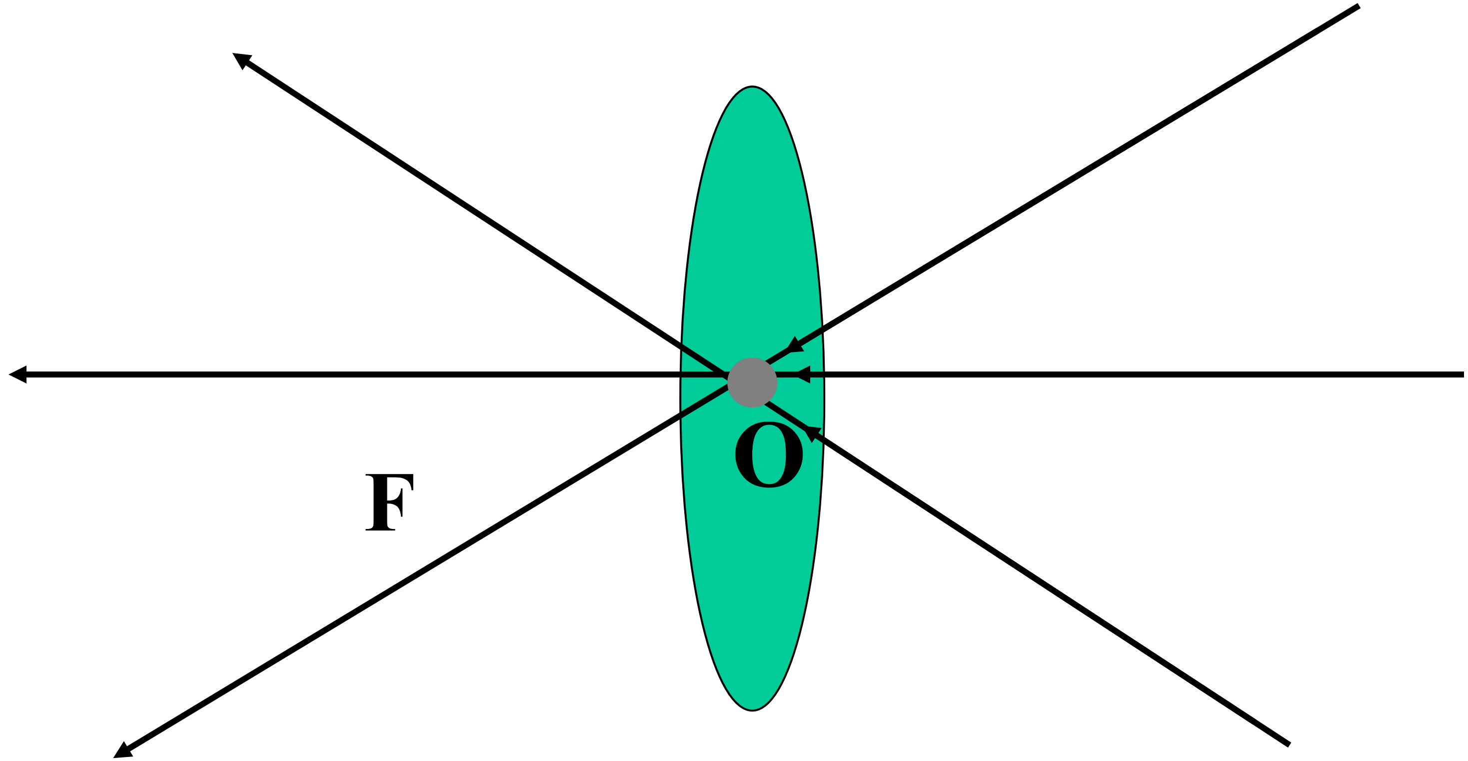


Thin Lens



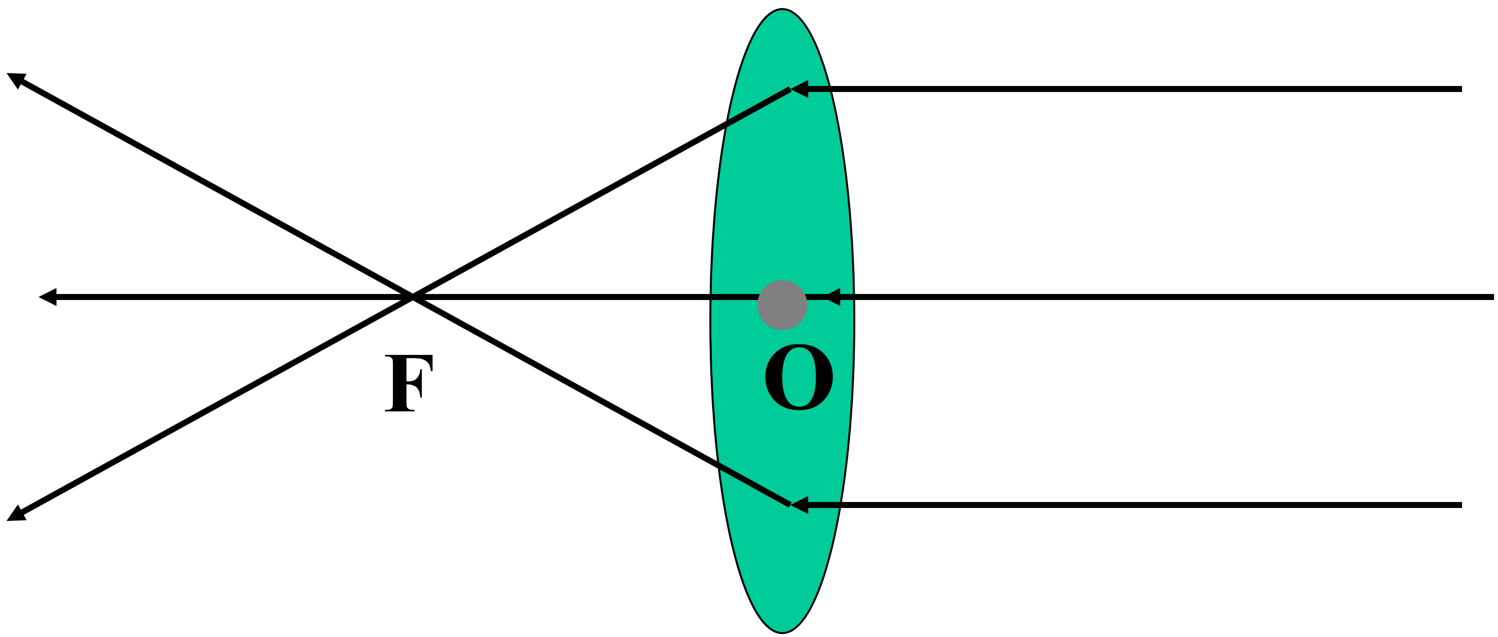
- Rotationally symmetric about optical axis
- Spherical interfaces

Thin Lens: Center



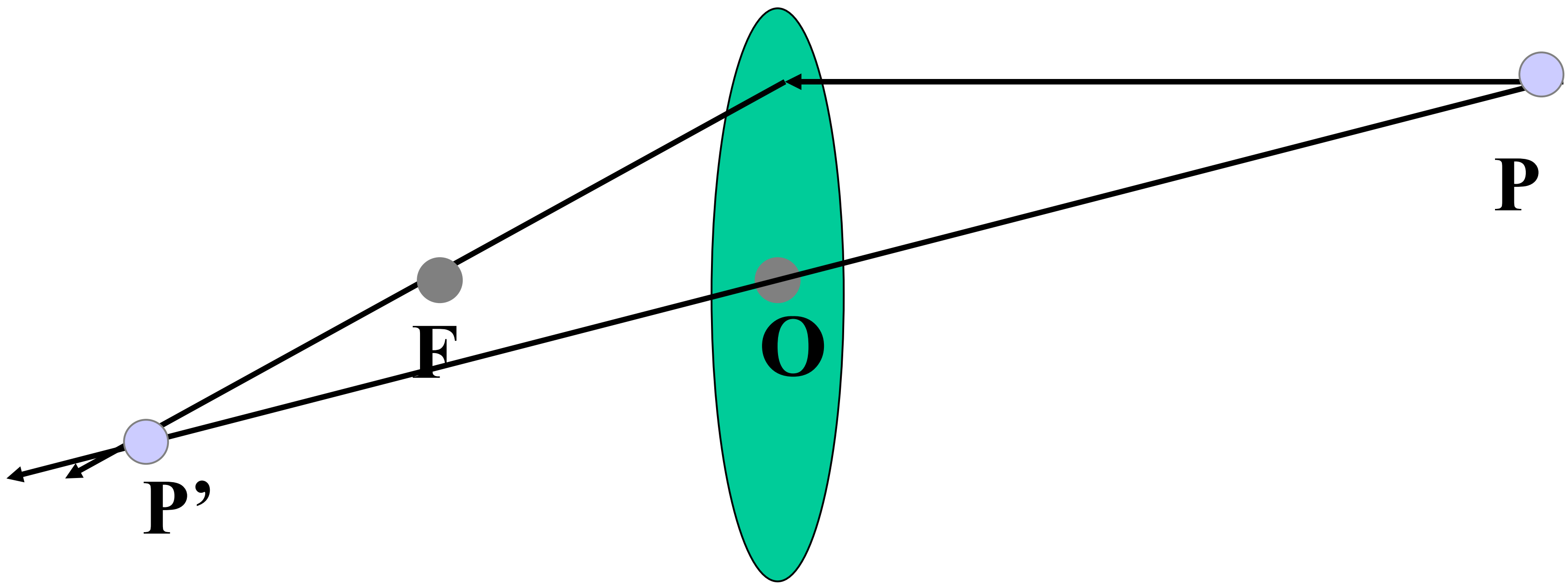
- All rays that enter lens along line pointing at **O** emerge in same direction

Thin Lens: Focus



Parallel lines pass through the focus F

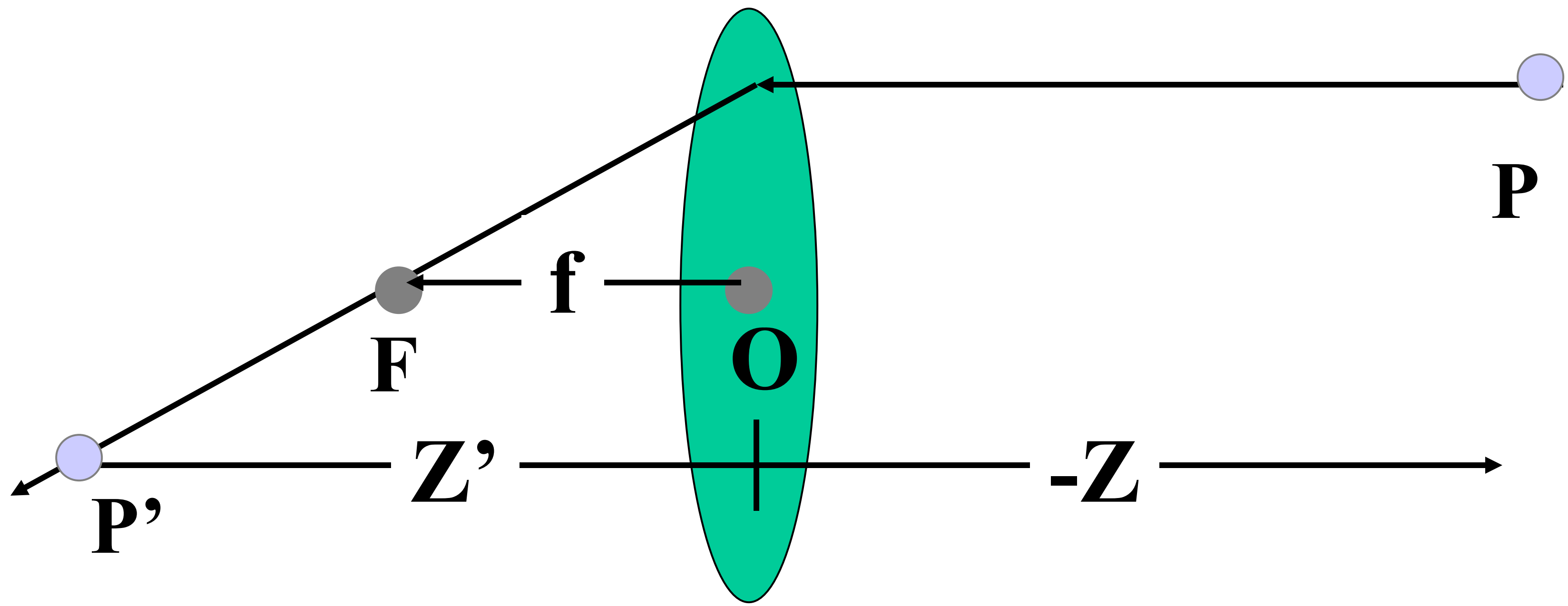
Thin Lens: Image of Point



All rays passing through lens and starting at **P** converge upon **P'**

So light gather capability of lens is given the area of the lens and all the rays focus on P' instead of become blurred like a pinhole

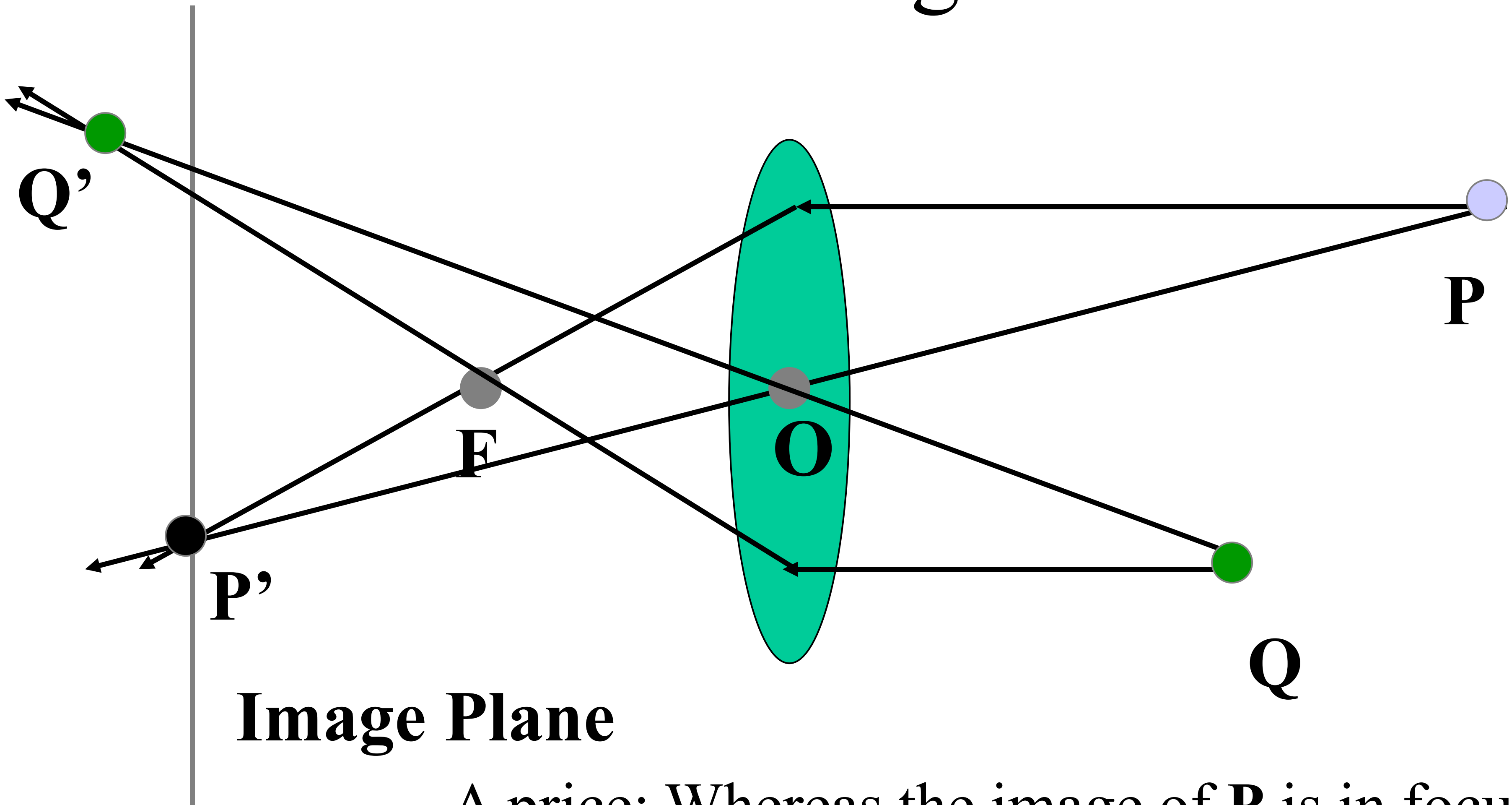
Thin Lens: Image of Point



$$\frac{1}{z'} - \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{f}$$

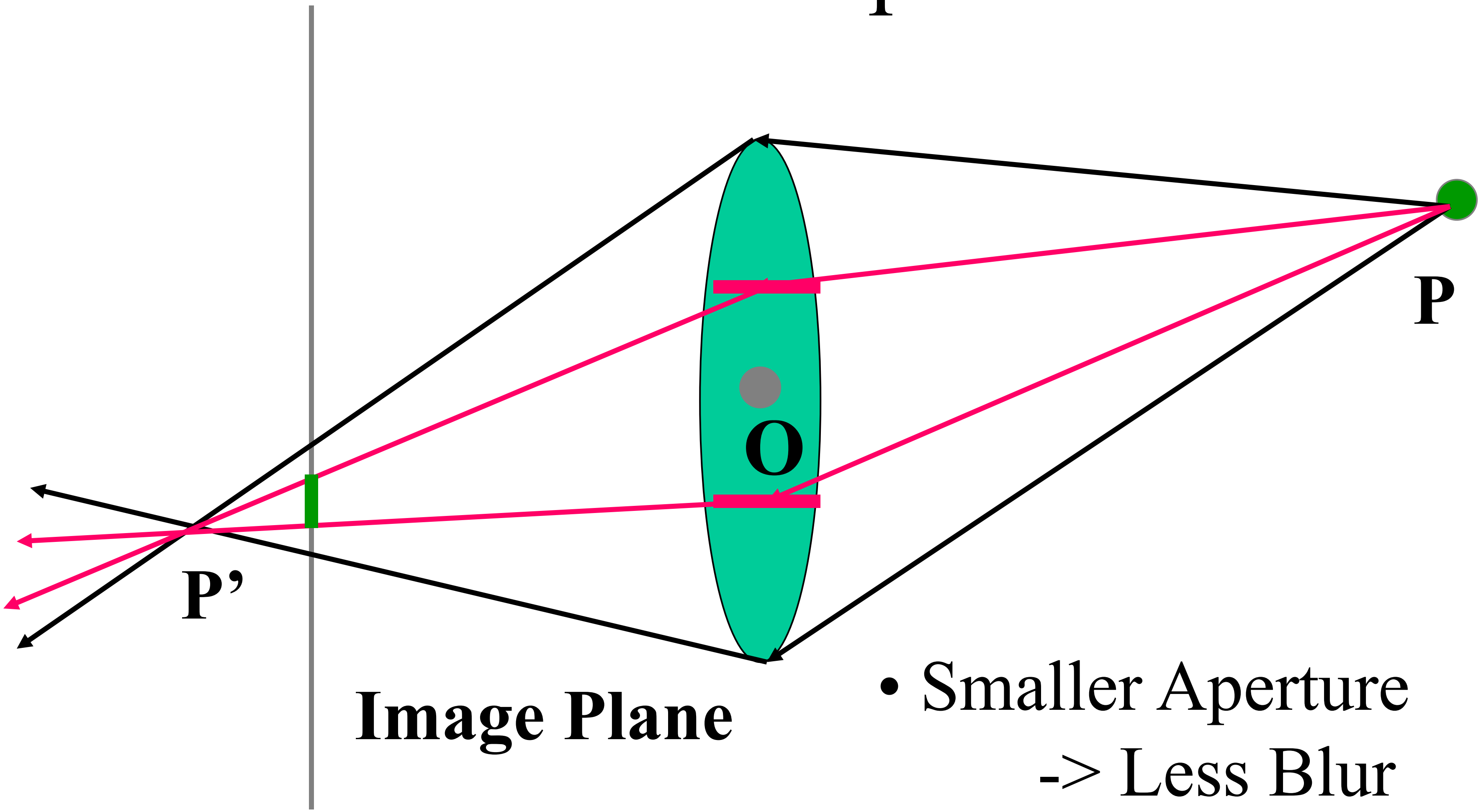
Relation between depth of Point (-Z) and the depth where it focuses (Z')

Thin Lens: Image Plane



A price: Whereas the image of **P** is in focus, the image of **Q** is not

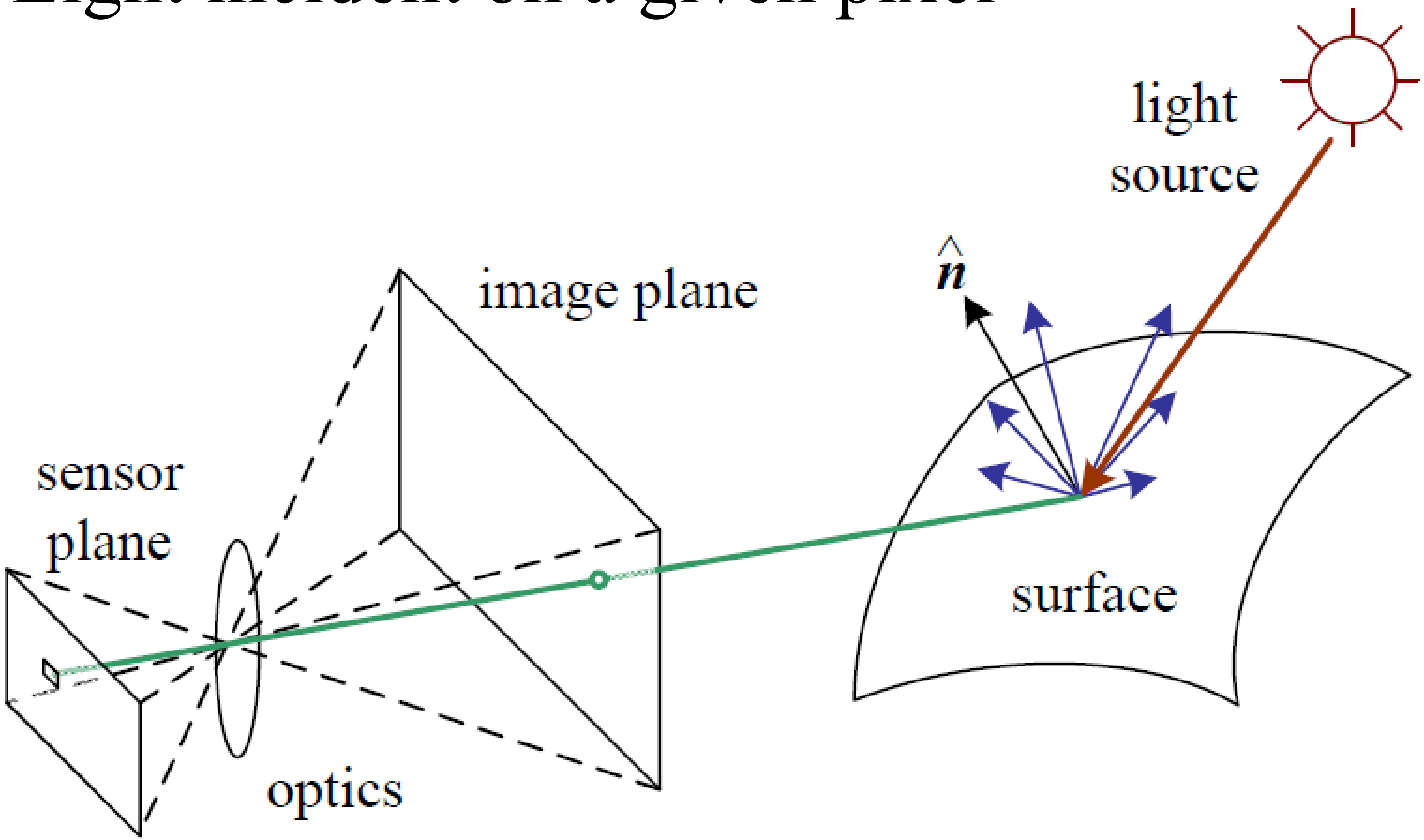
Thin Lens: Aperture



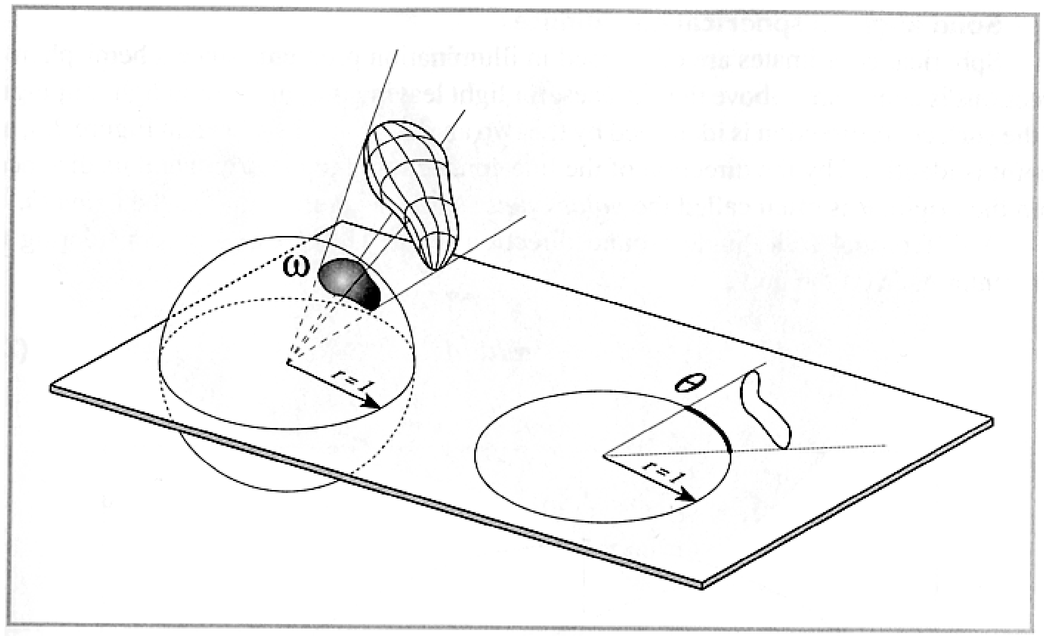
- Smaller Aperture -> Less Blur
- Pinhole -> No Blur

Photometric image formation

- Light incident on a given pixel



Measuring Angle



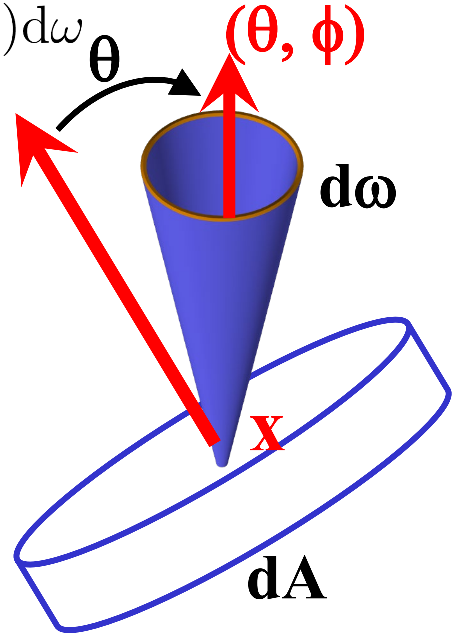
- The **solid angle** subtended by an object from a point P is the area of the projection of the object onto the unit sphere centered at P
- Definition is analogous to projected angle in 2D
- Measured in *steradians*, sr
- If I am at P and I look out, the solid angle tells me how much of my view is filled with an object

Radiance

- Power traveling at some point in a specified direction, per unit area perpendicular to the direction of travel, per unit solid angle
  - Units: watts per square meter per steradian, $W/m^2/sr =$ $W\ m^{-2}\ sr^{-1}$

$$L(\mathbf{X}, \theta, \phi) = \frac{P}{(\mathrm{d}A \cos\theta)\mathrm{d}\omega}$$

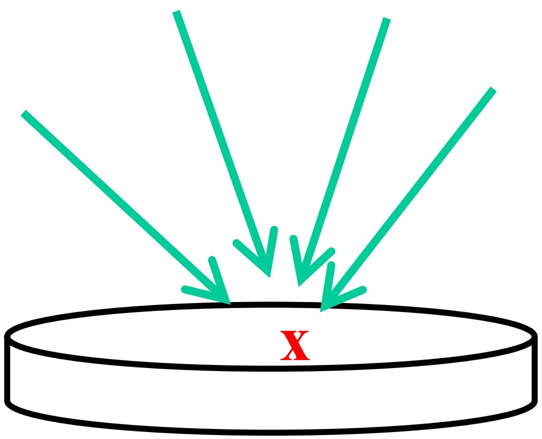
radiance in direction different from surface normal, use spherical coordinates θ, ϕ



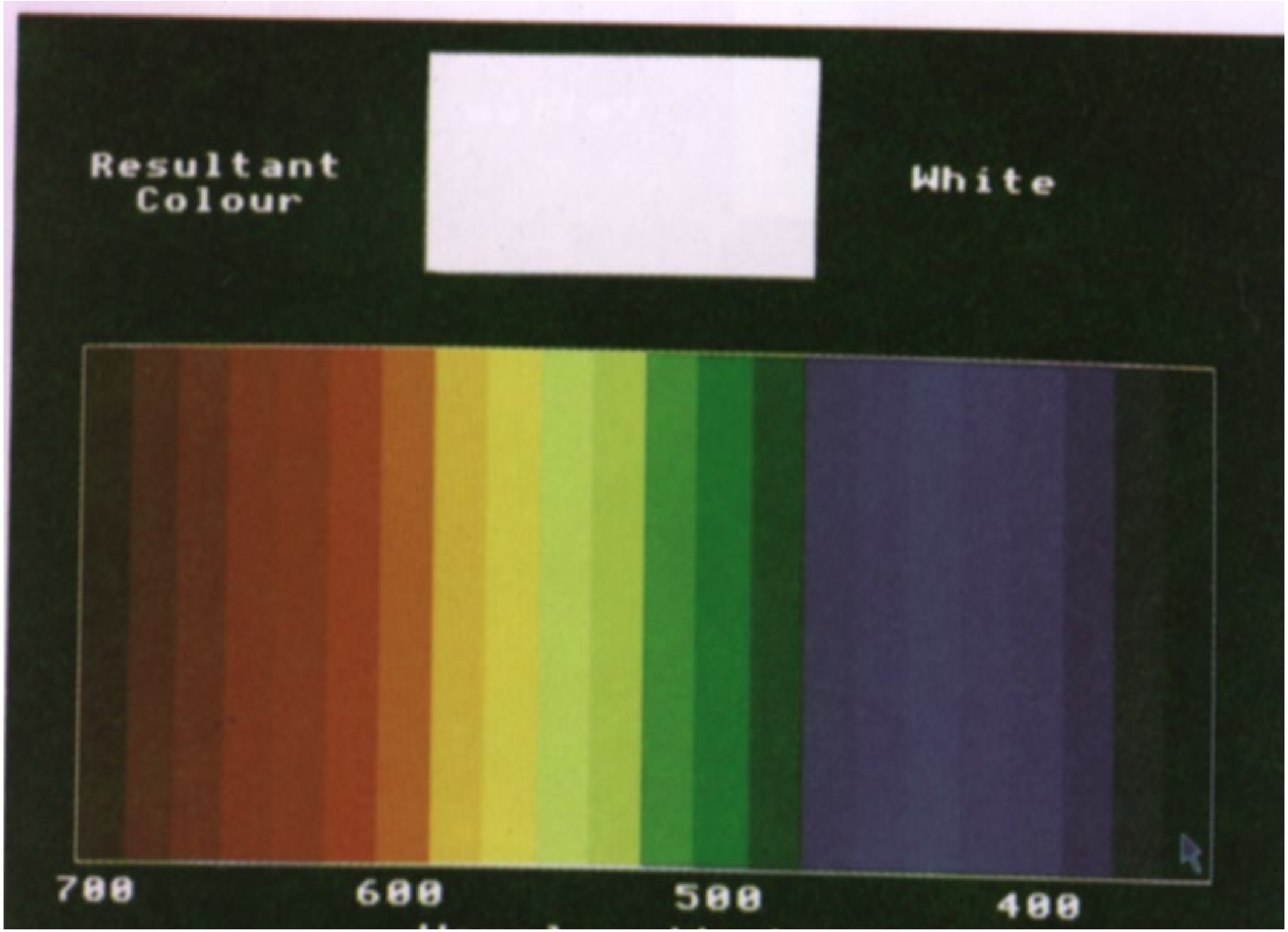
Irradiance

- Total power arriving at the surface (from all incoming angles)
  - Units: power per unit area, $W/m^2 = W\ m^{-2}$

$$E(\mathbf{X}) = \int_{\text{hemisphere}} L(\mathbf{X}, \theta, \phi) \cos\theta \mathrm{d}\omega$$



Visible Light Spectrum



Camera sensor

- Measured pixel intensity is a function of irradiance E integrated over
  - Pixel's area (x,y)
  - range of wavelengths λ
  - some period of time t

spatial response of pixel

spectral response of pixel

$$I = \int_t \int_\lambda \int_x \int_y E(x,y,\lambda,t)\, s(x,y)\, q(\lambda)\, dx\, dy\, d\lambda\, dt$$

- Ideally, the camera response function R is linear to the radiance, but it may not be

$$I = R\left(\int_t \int_\lambda \int_x \int_y E(x,y,\lambda,t)\, s(x,y)\, q(\lambda)\, dx\, dy\, d\lambda\, dt \right)$$

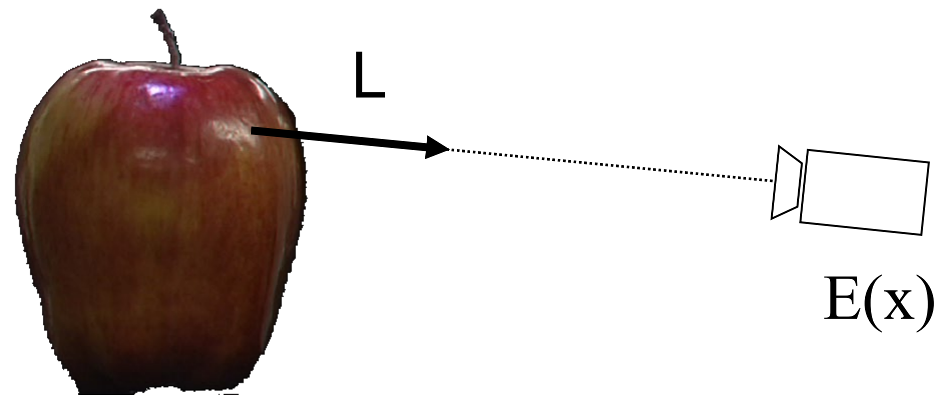
Image irradiance is proportional scene radiance

For a camera with a thin lens, it can be shown that

$$E(x) = k_L L$$

where

- $E(x)$ is the image irradiance at point x
- L is the radiance coming from a scene point projecting to image point x
- k_L is a proportionality constant that may depend on the lens and may be a function of x

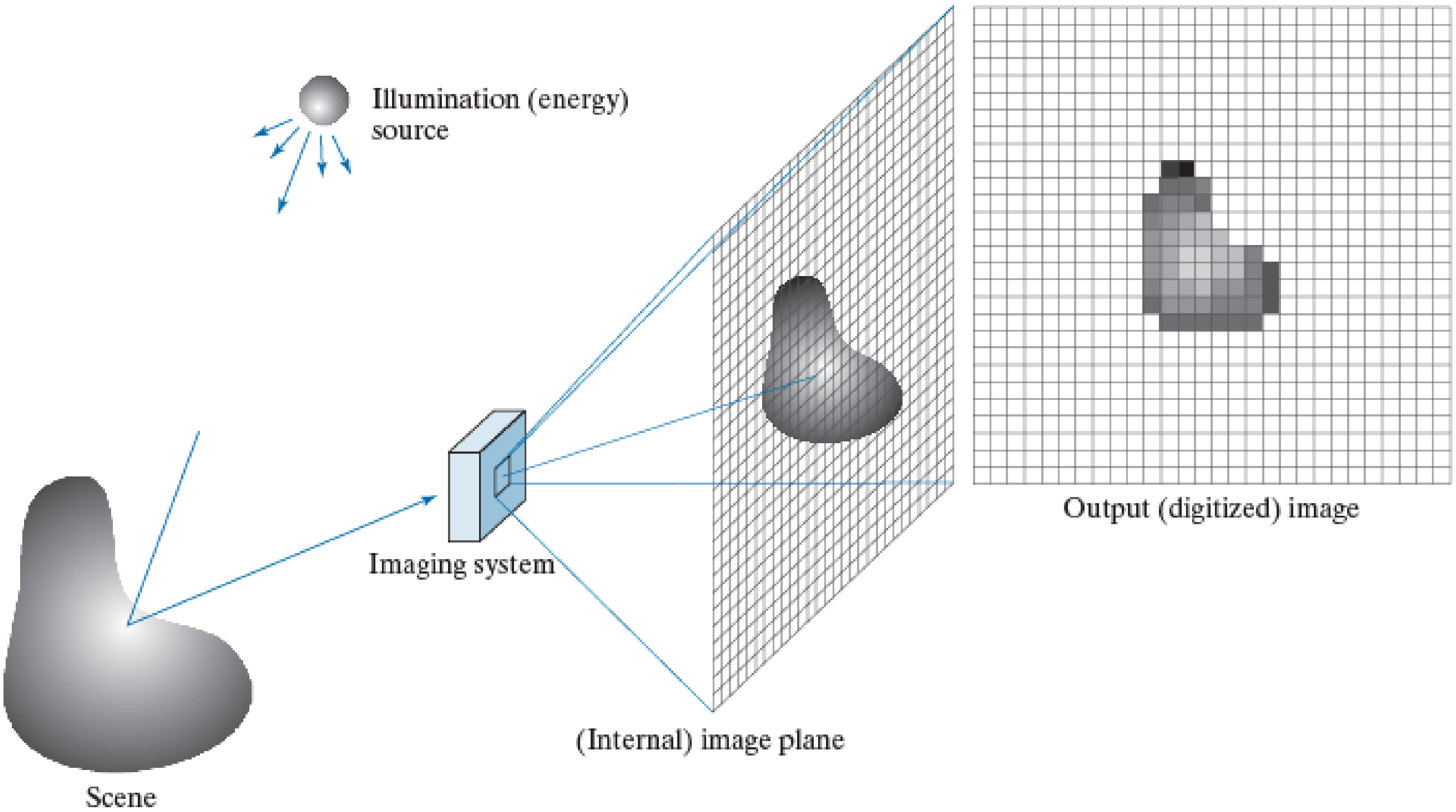


Combined with linear sensor model, we have

$$I = k_c k_L L$$

In other words, the measured pixel intensity is proportional to the radiance

Image acquisition



Color Cameras

Eye:

Three types of Cones

Cameras:

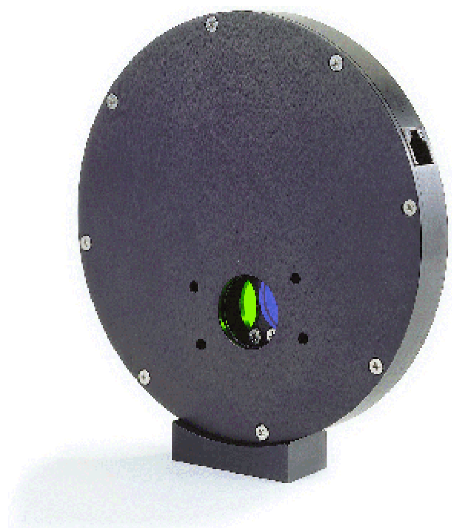
1. Filter wheel
2. Prism (with 3 sensors)
3. Filter mosaic

… and X3

Filter wheel

Rotate multiple filters in front of lens

Allows more than 3 color bands



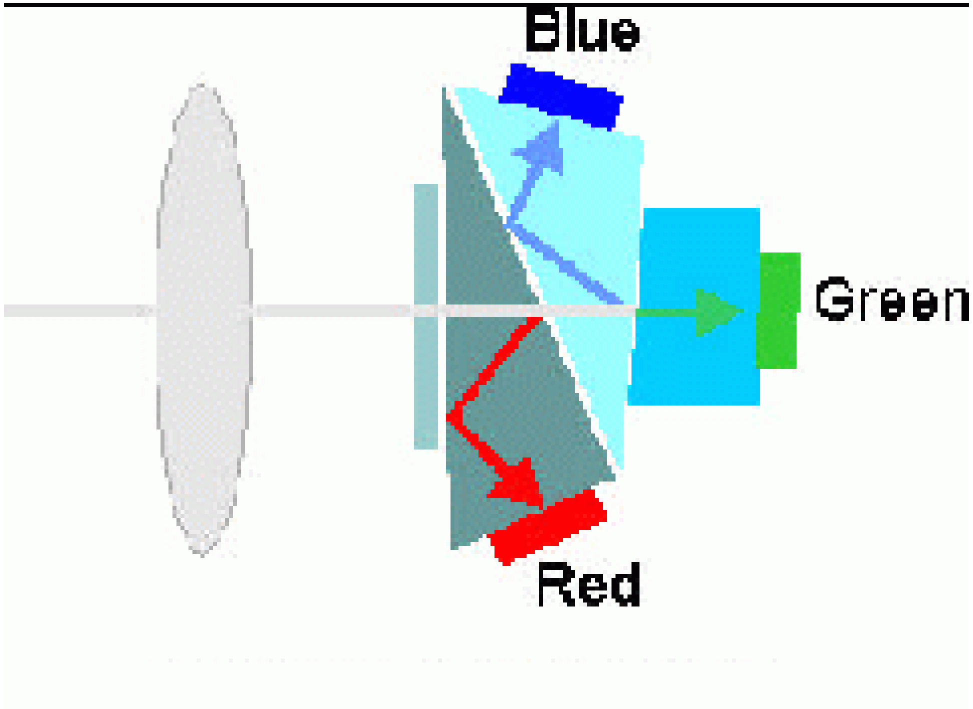
Only suitable for static scenes

Prism color camera

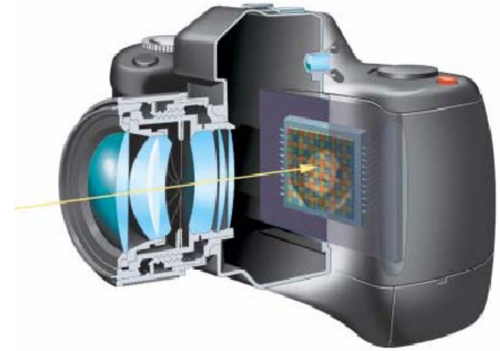
Separate light in 3 beams using dichroic prism

Requires 3 sensors & precise alignment

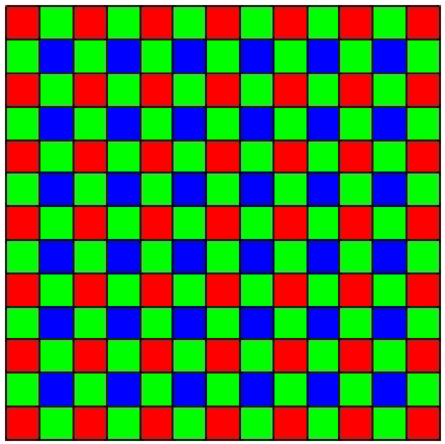
Good color separation



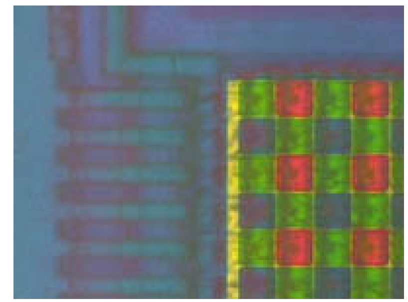
Filter mosaic



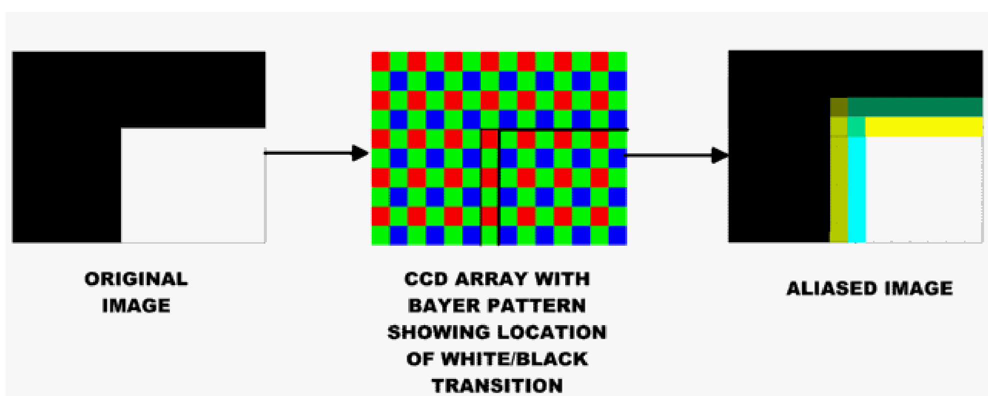
Coat filter directly on sensor



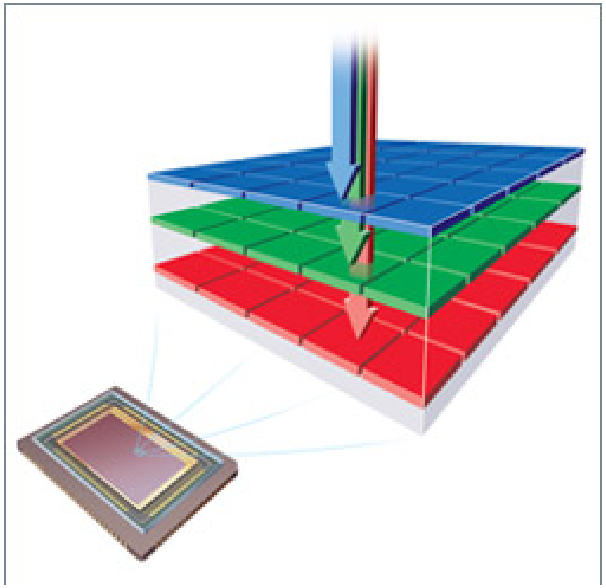
Bayer filter

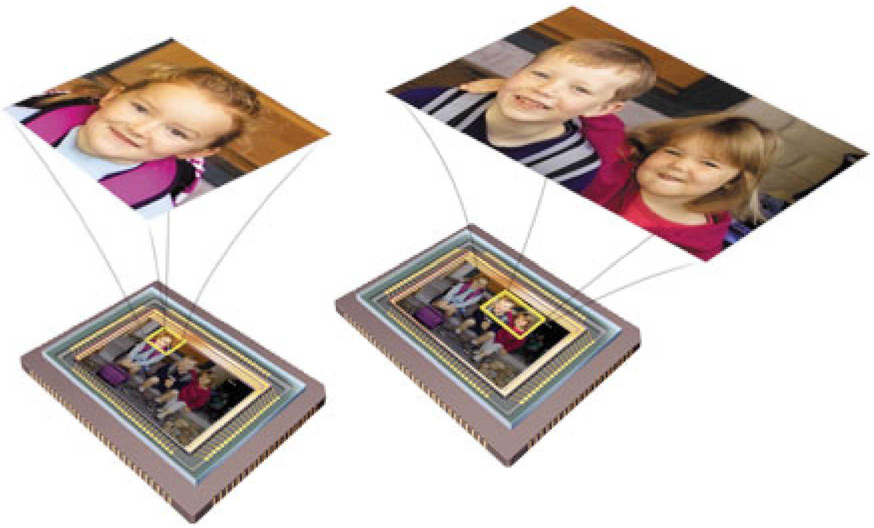


Demosaicing (obtain full color & full resolution image)



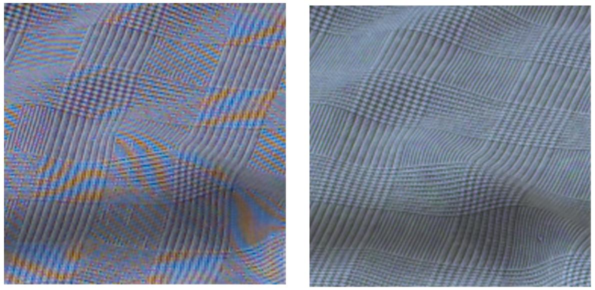
Color CMOS sensor
Foveon's X3

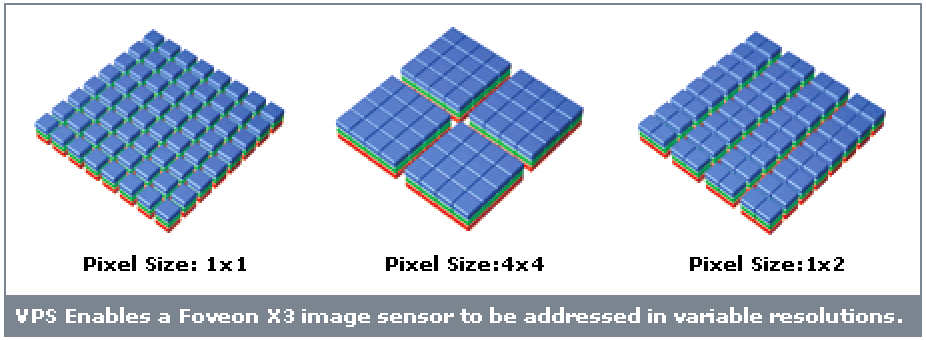




smarter pixels

better image quality





Light at surfaces

Many effects when light strikes a surface -- could be:

- Reflected
  - Mirror
- Transmitted
  - Skin, glass
- Scattered
  - Milk
- Travel along the surface and leave at some other point
- Absorbed

We will assume:

- All the light leaving a point is due to that arriving at that point
- Surfaces don't fluoresce
  - e.g., scorpions, detergents
- Surfaces don't emit light (i.e., are cool)

Light at surfaces

BRDF

- Bi-directional Reflectance Distribution Function

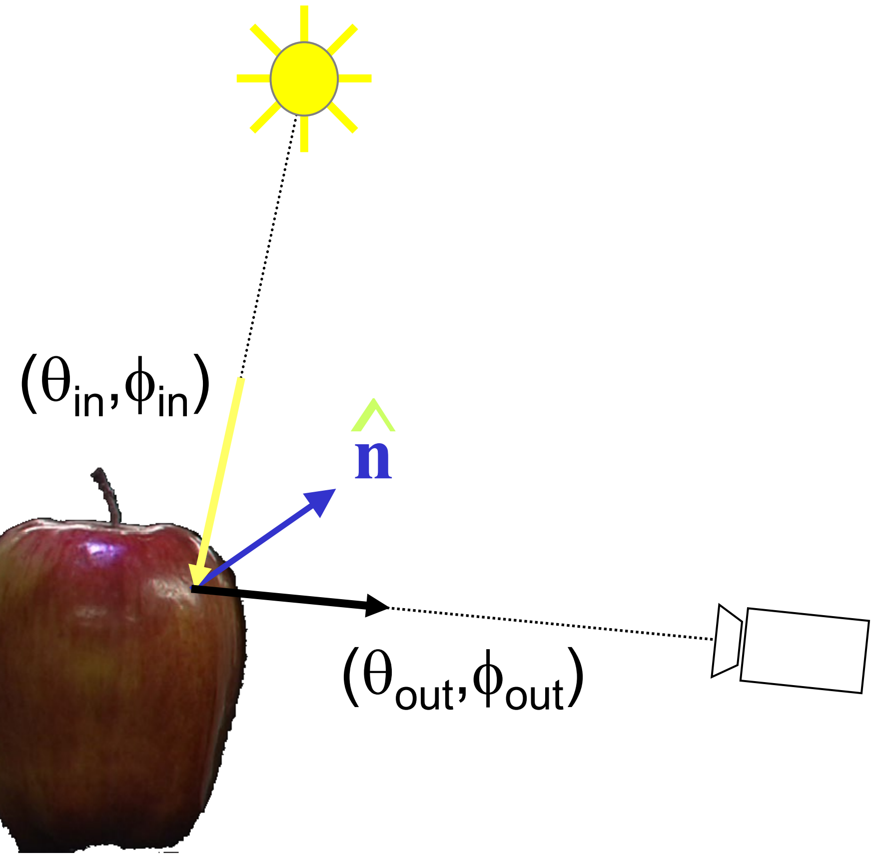
  $$\rho(\theta_{in}, \phi_{in} ; \theta_{out}, \phi_{out})$$

- Function of
  - Incoming light direction:

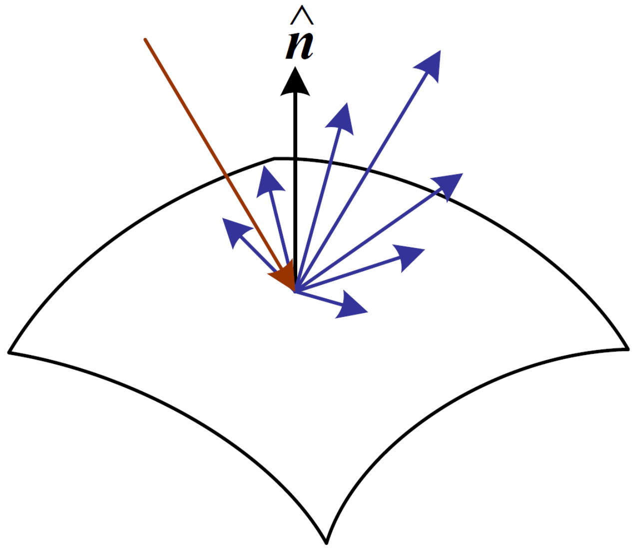
    θ_{in} , ϕ_{in}
  - Outgoing light direction:

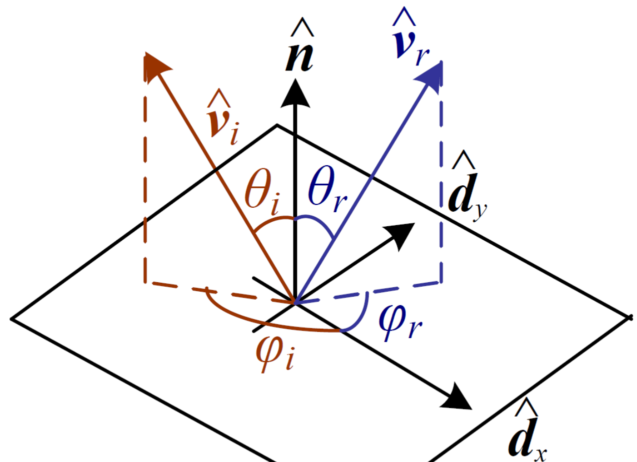
    θ_{out} , ϕ_{out}

- Ratio of incident irradiance to emitted radiance



Lighting, reflectance, and shading

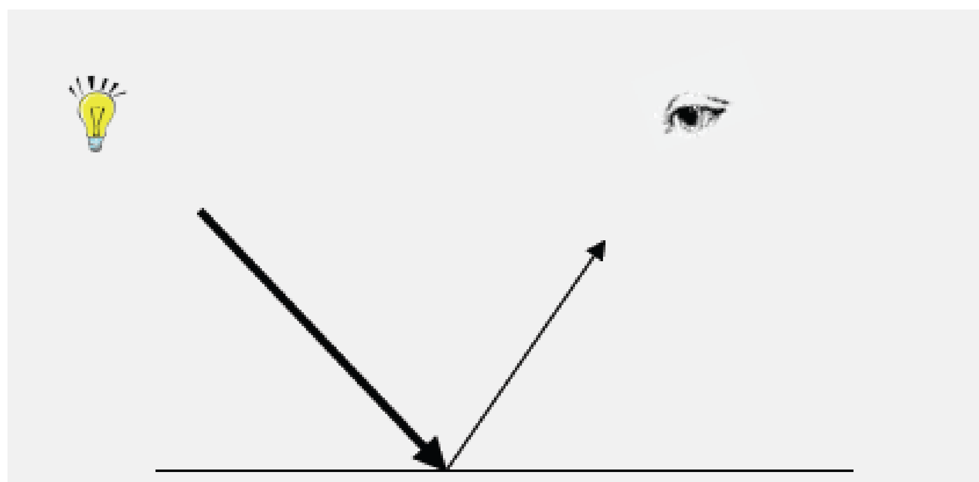




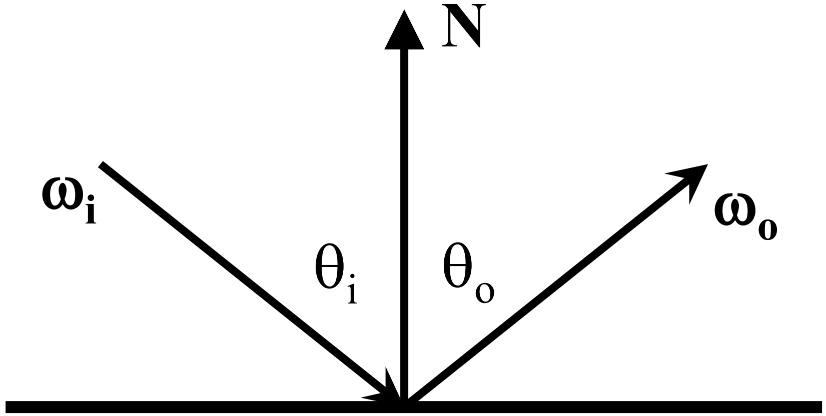
BRDF $f_r(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_r, \phi_r; \lambda)$

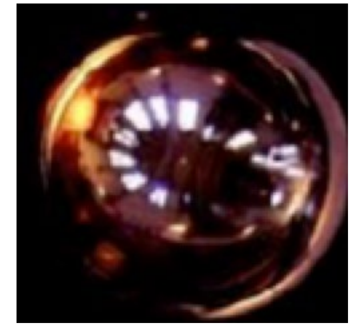
Specular reflection

- Ideal specular reflection is mirror reflection
  - Perfectly smooth surface
  - Incoming light ray is bounced in single direction
  - Angle of incidence equals angle of reflection



Specular Reflection: Smooth Surface





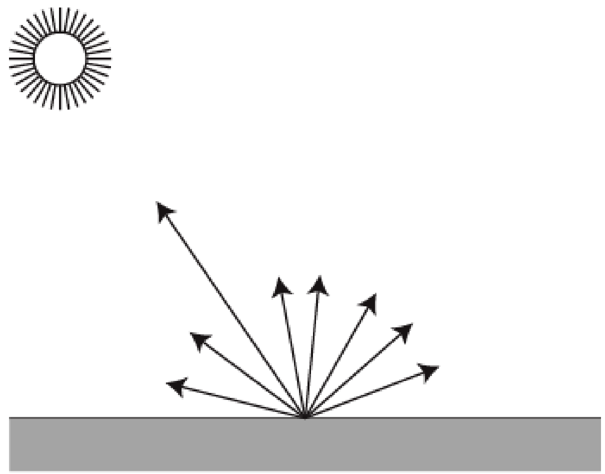
- **N**, $\boldsymbol{\omega_i}$, $\boldsymbol{\omega_o}$ are coplanar
- $\theta_i = \theta_o$

$$\omega_o = 2(\omega_i \cdot N)N - \omega_i$$

Speculum – Latin for "Mirror"

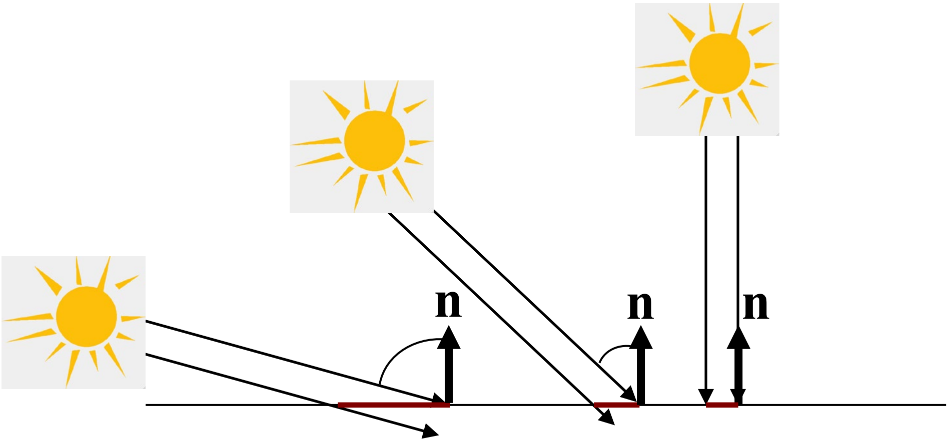
Diffuse surface

- Ideal diffuse material reflects light equally in all directions
- View-independent
- Matte, not shiny materials
  - Paper
  - Unfinished wood
  - Unpolished stone

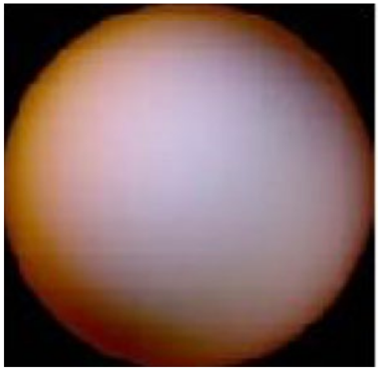


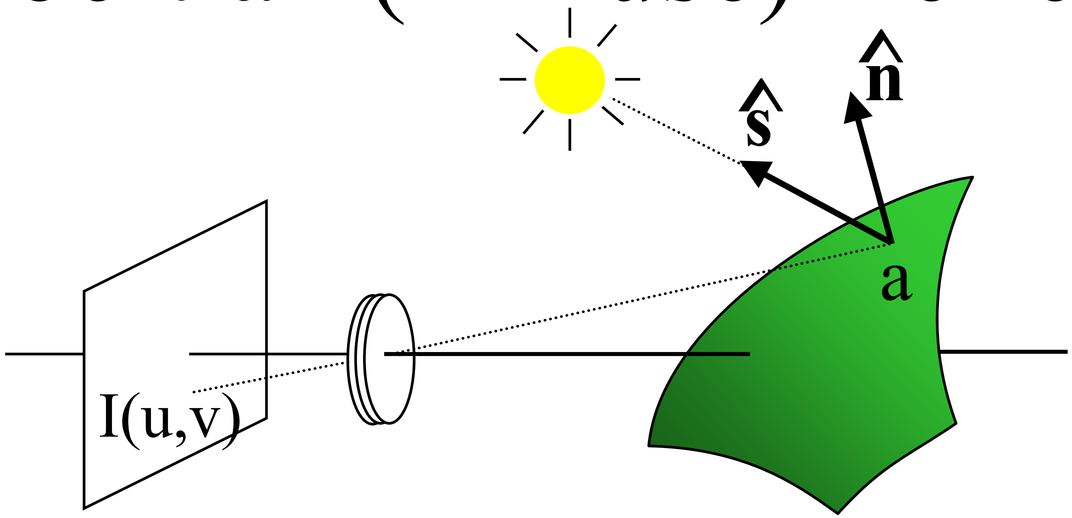
Diffuse reflection

- Beam of parallel rays shining on a surface
  - Area covered by beam varies with the angle between the beam and the normal
  - The larger the area, the less incident light per area
  - Incident light per unit area is proportional to the cosine of the angle between the normal and the light rays
- Object darkens as normal turns away from light
- Lambert's cosine law (Johann Heinrich Lambert, 1760)
- Diffuse surfaces are also called Lambertian surfaces



Lambertian (Diffuse) Reflection





The intensity (irradiance) I(u,v) of a pixel at (u,v) is:

$$I(u,v) = a(u,v)\hat{\mathbf{n}}(u,v) \bullet s_0 \hat{\mathbf{s}}$$

- a(u,v) is the albedo of the surface projecting to (u,v)
- $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$(u,v) is the direction of the surface normal
- s_0 is the light source intensity
- $\hat{\mathbf{s}}$ is the direction to the light source

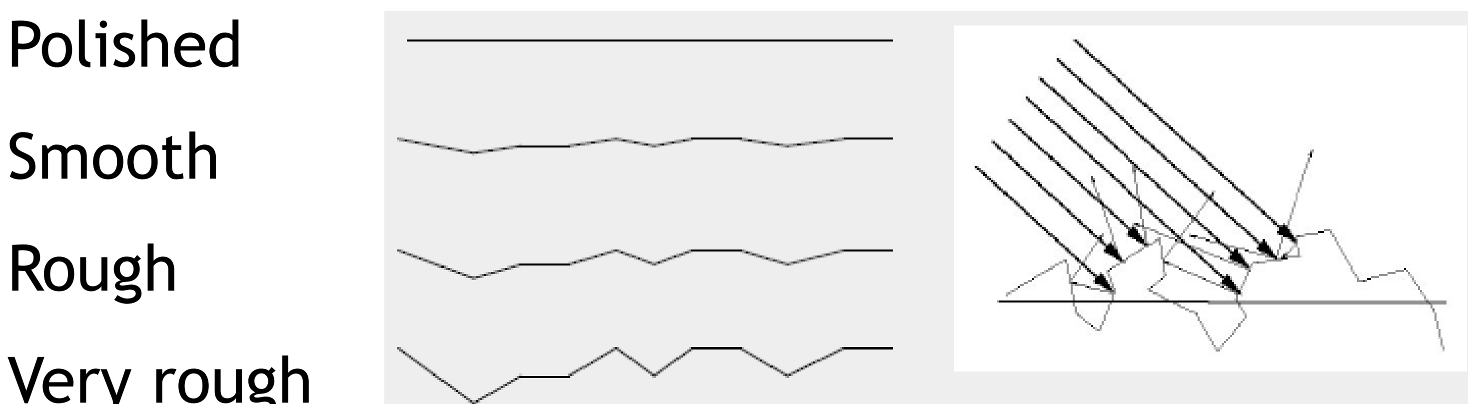
Do not allow angles less than 0
(light is behind surface)

$$\cos(\theta) = \hat{\mathbf{n}}^\top \hat{\mathbf{s}}$$

$$\cos^+(\theta) = \max(0, \hat{\mathbf{n}}^\top \hat{\mathbf{s}})$$

Glossy surface

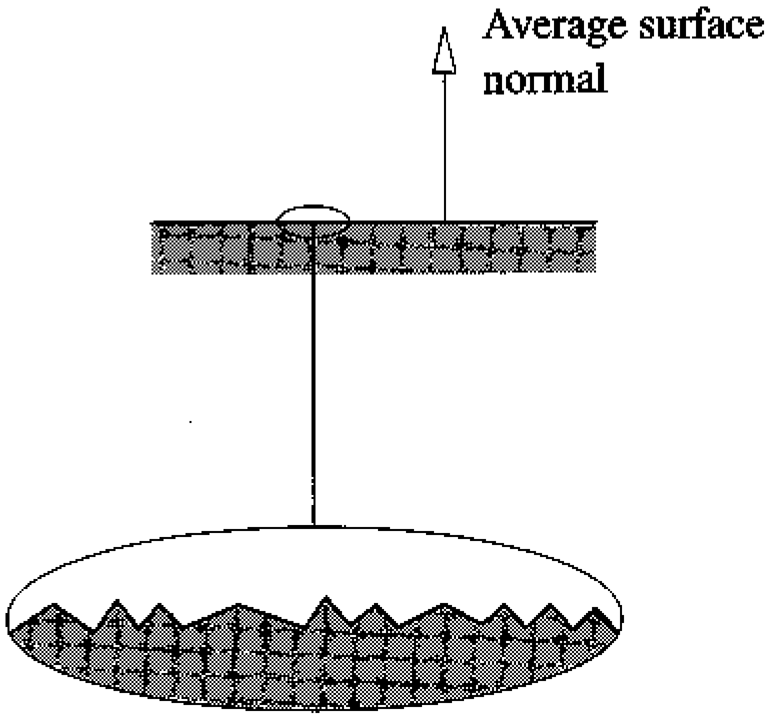
- Assume surface composed of small mirrors with random orientation (micro-facets)
- Smooth surfaces
  - Micro-facet normals close to surface normal
  - Sharp highlights
- Rough surfaces
  - Micro-facet normals vary strongly
  - Blurry highlight



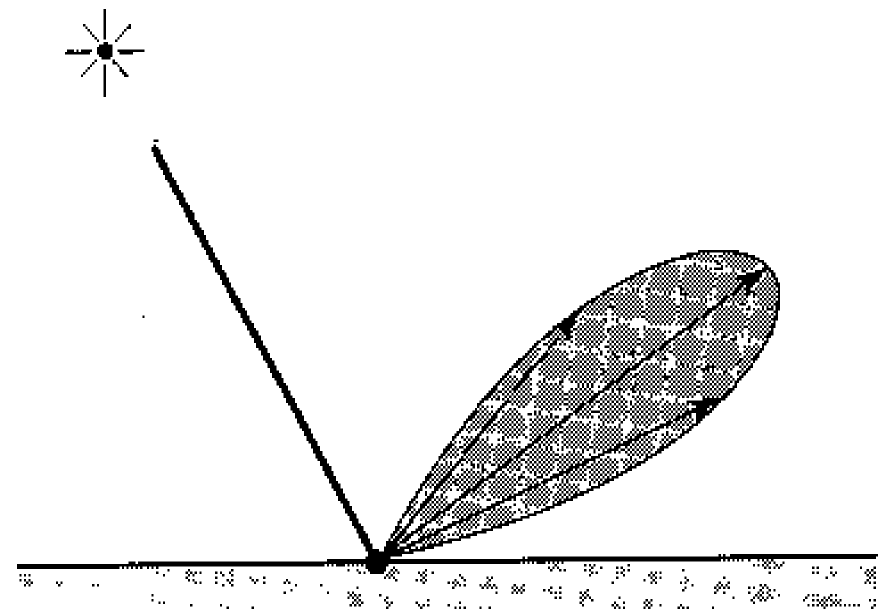
Glossy reflection

- Expect most light to be reflected in mirror direction
- Because of micro-facets, some light is reflected slightly off ideal reflection direction
- Reflection
  - Brightest when view vector is aligned with reflection
  - Decreases as angle between view vector and reflection direction increases

Phong reflectance model

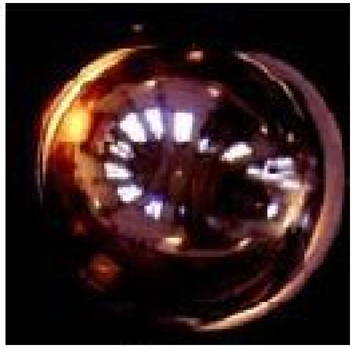


Symmetric V-shaped
grooves – ‘microfacets’



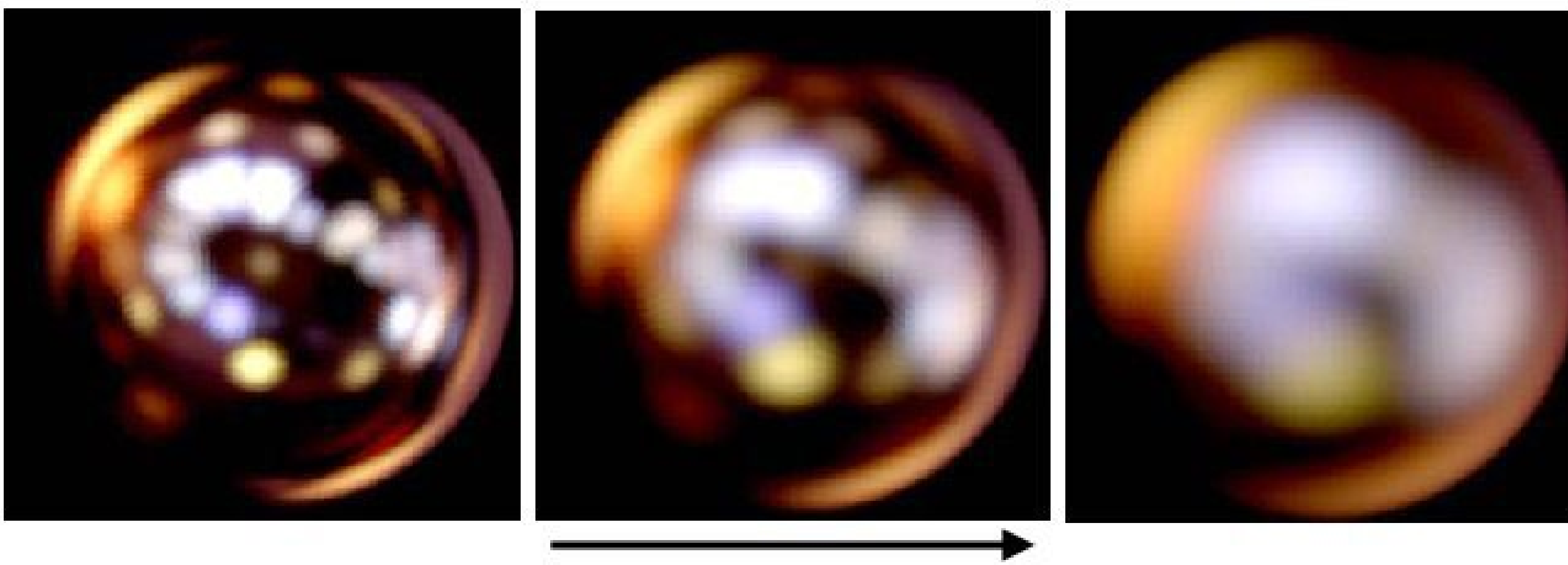
Phong Lobe
(Lobe illustrates brightness in a
direction)

Phong Model



Mirror

Diffuse



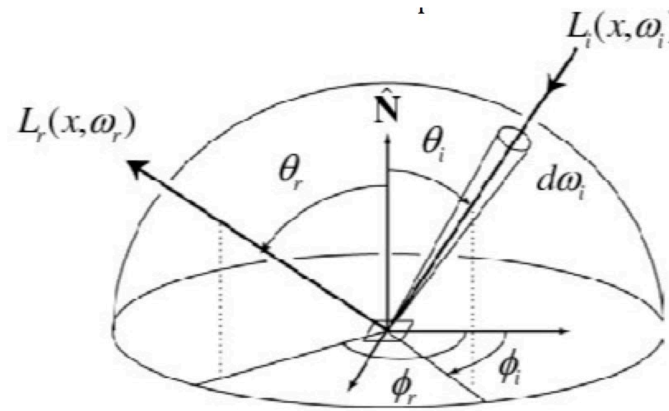
General BRDF

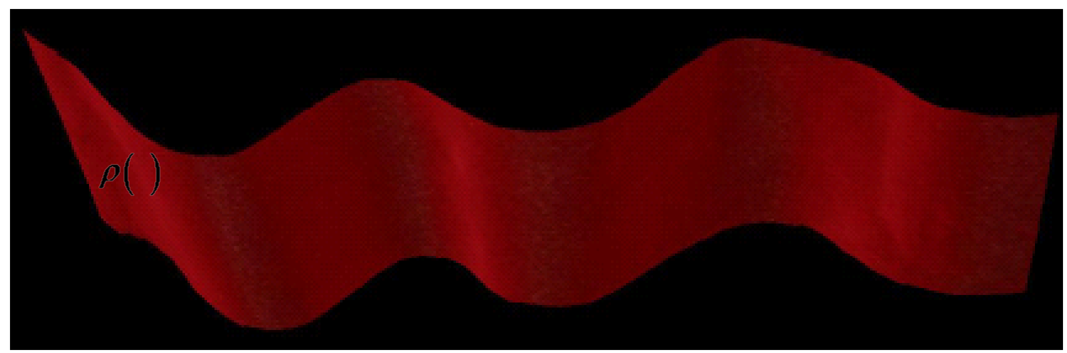
Example: velvet

Portrait of Sir Thomas Morre, Hans Holbein the Younger, 1527

Isotropic BRDF

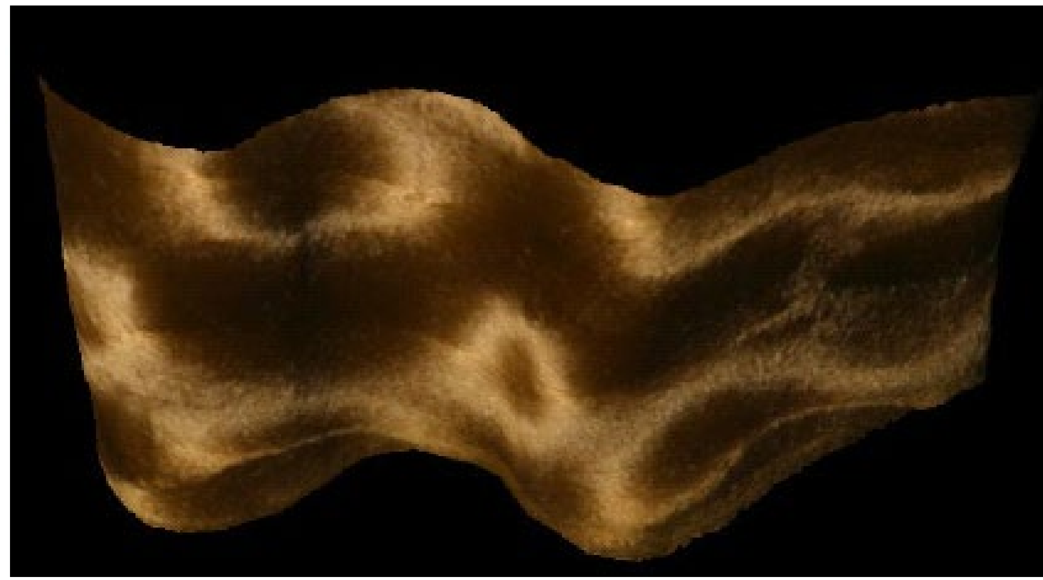
$$\rho(\theta_i,\phi_i;\theta_o,\phi_o)=\rho_r(\theta_i,\theta_o,\phi_i-\phi_o)$$





Isotropic BRDF's are symmetric about the surface normal. If the surface is rotated about the normal for the same incident and emitting directions, the value of the BRDF is the same.

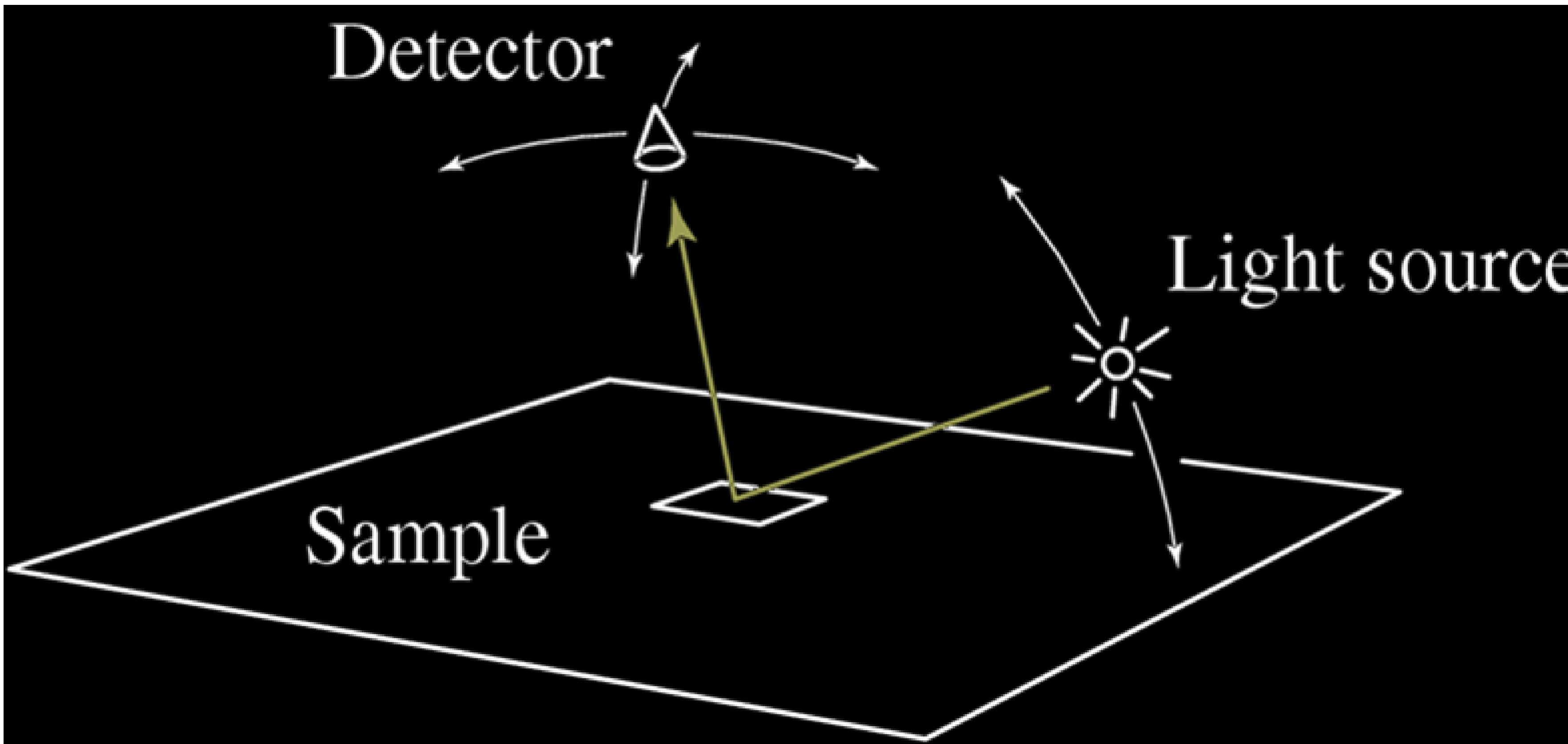
Anisotropic BRDF



Ways to measure BRDFs

Gonioreflectometers

- Three degrees of freedom spread among light source, detector, and/or sample



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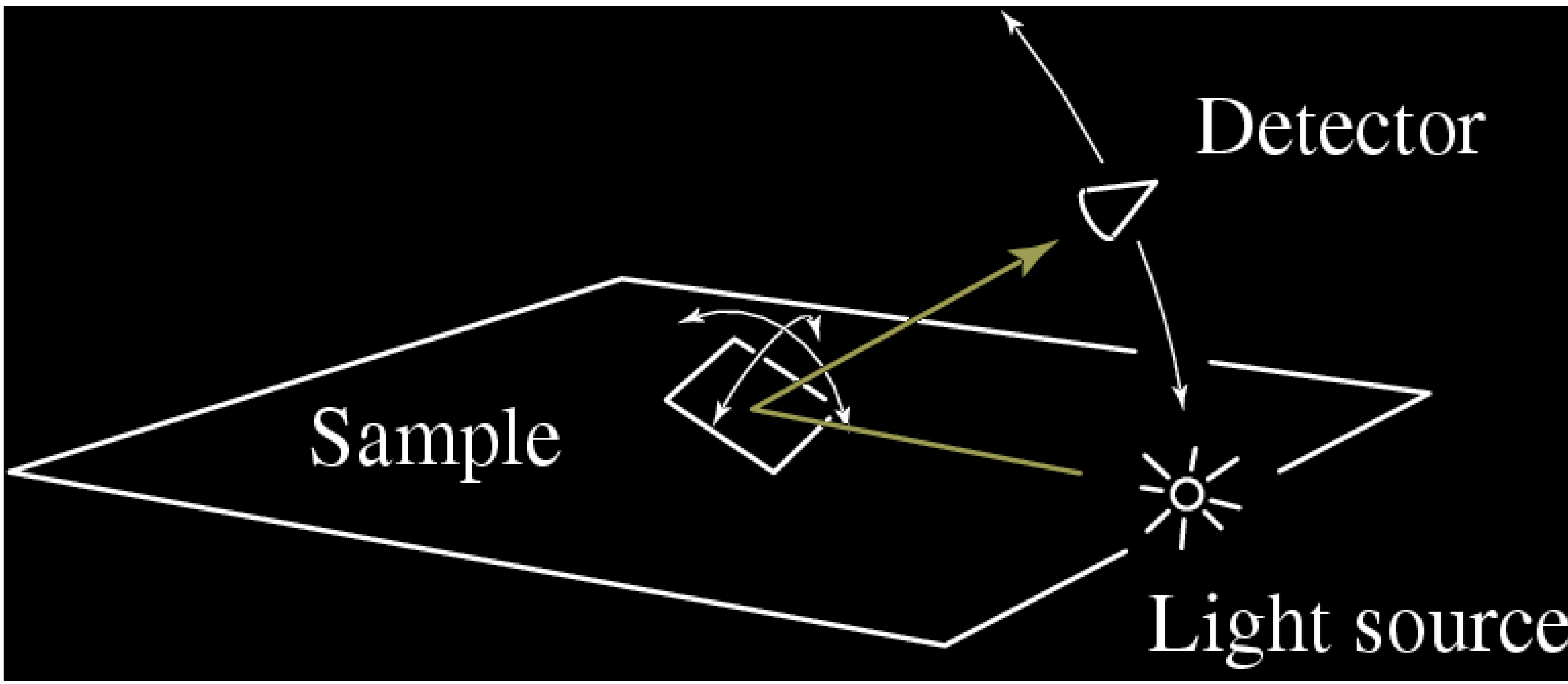
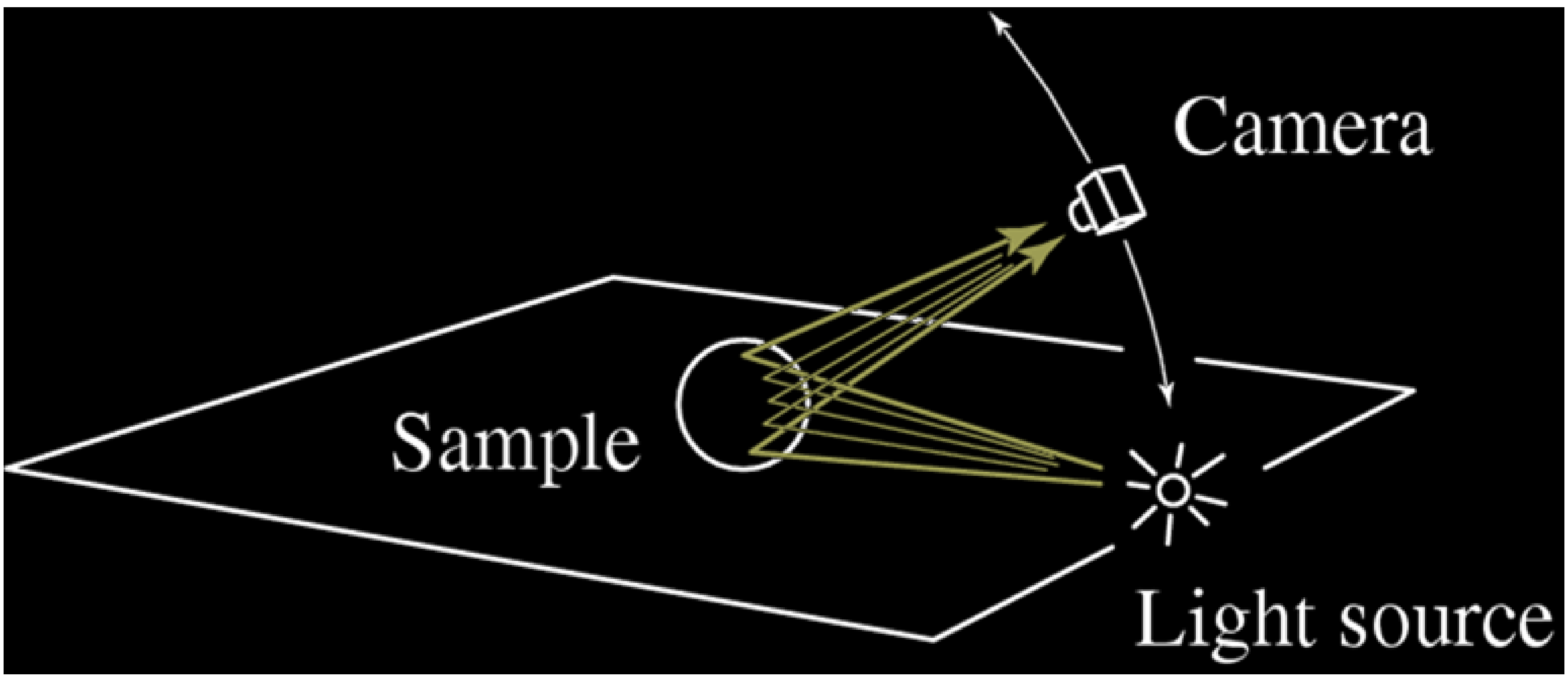


Gonioreflectometers

- Can add fourth degree of freedom to measure anisotropic BRDFs

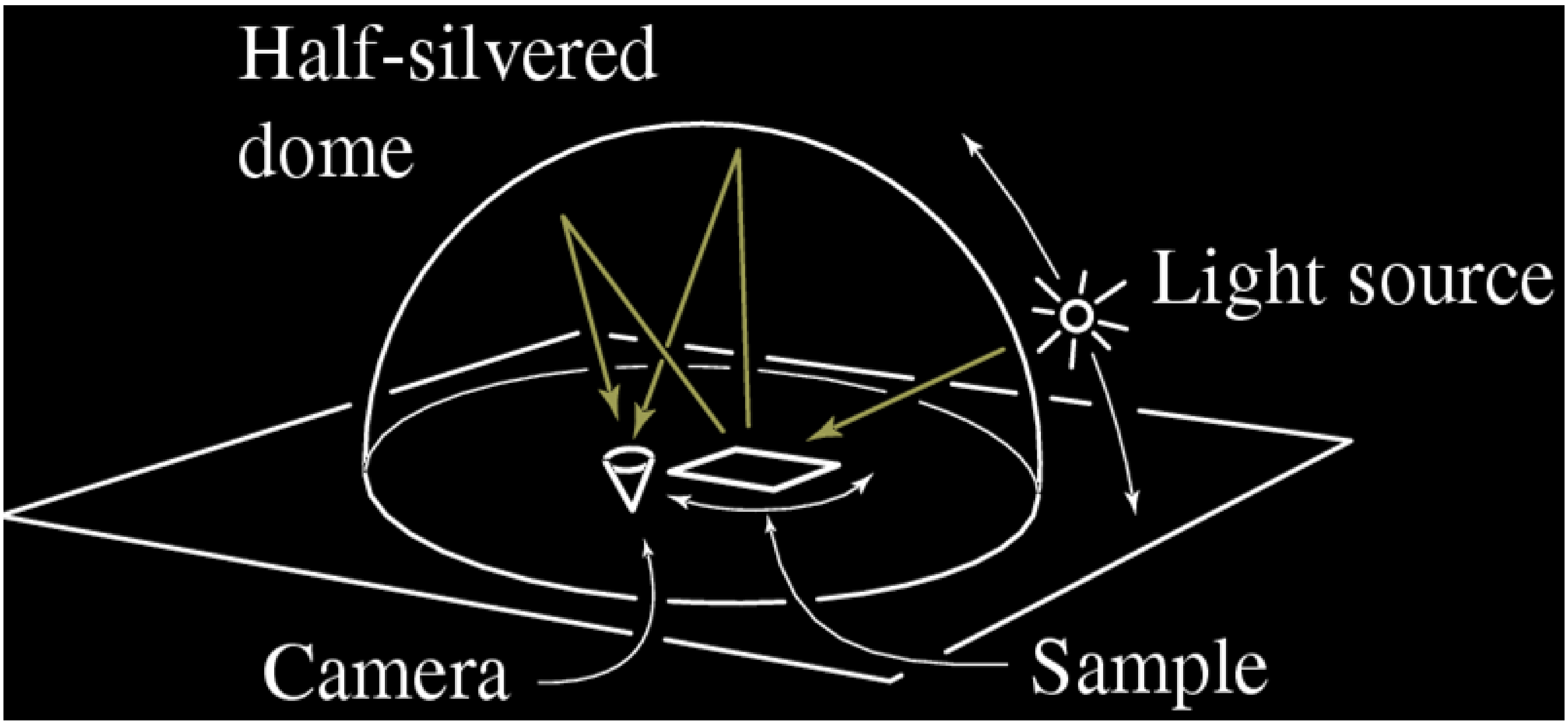
Marschner's Image-Based BRDF Measurement

- For uniform BRDF, capture 2-D slice corresponding to variations in normals



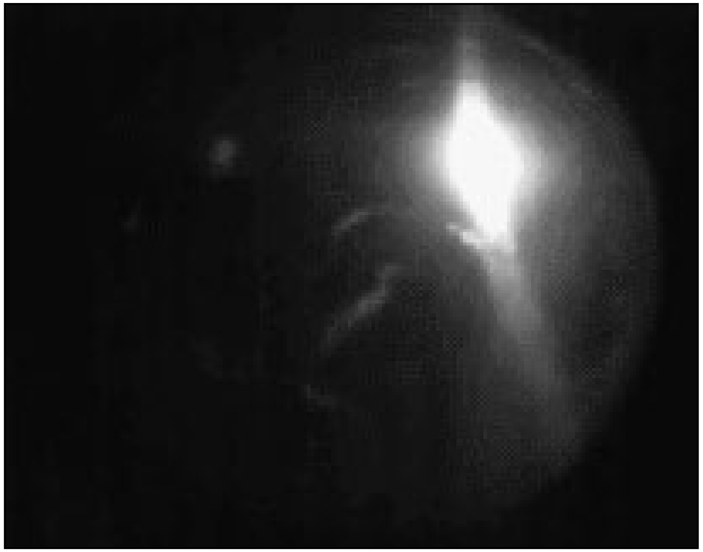
Ward's BRDF Measurement Setup

- Collect reflected light with hemispherical (should be ellipsoidal) mirror



Ward's BRDF Measurement Setup

- Result: each image captures light at all exitant angles



Light sources and shading

- How bright (or what color) are objects?

- One more definition: Exitance of a source is the internally generated power radiated per unit area on the radiating surface
- Also referred to as radiant emittance
- Similar to irradiance
  - Same units, $W/m^2 = W\ m^{-2}$

Light

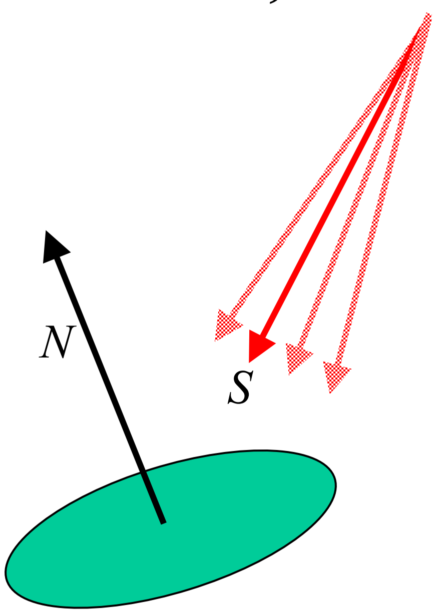
- Special light sources
  - Point sources
  - Distant point sources
  - Area sources

Point light source

- Similar to light bulbs
- An infinitesimally small point that radiates light equally in all directions
  - Light vector varies across receiving surface
  - Intensity drops off proportionally to the inverse square of the distance from the light
    - Reason for inverse square falloff:
      Surface area of sphere $A = 4\pi r^2$

Standard nearby point source model

- N is the surface normal
- ρ is diffuse (Lambertian) albedo
- S is source vector - a vector from x to the source, whose length is the intensity term



$$\rho_d(x)\left(\frac{N(x)^T S(x)}{r(x)^2}\right)$$

Remember, do not allow angles less than 0 (light is behind surface)

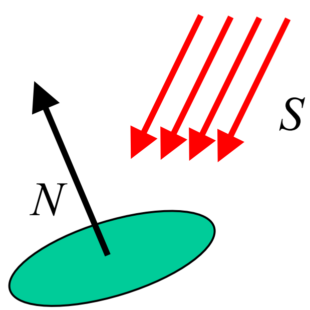
$$\cos(\theta) = \hat{\mathbf{n}}^\top \hat{\mathbf{s}}$$

$$\cos^+(\theta) = \max(0, \hat{\mathbf{n}}^\top \hat{\mathbf{s}})$$

Light from a distant source

- Note, if light is very far away, then view light as coming from a direction in 3D
- Directional light source
  - Light rays are parallel
  - Direction and intensity are the same everywhere
  - As if the source were infinitely far away

$$\rho_d(x)\left(N(x)^T S(x)\right)$$



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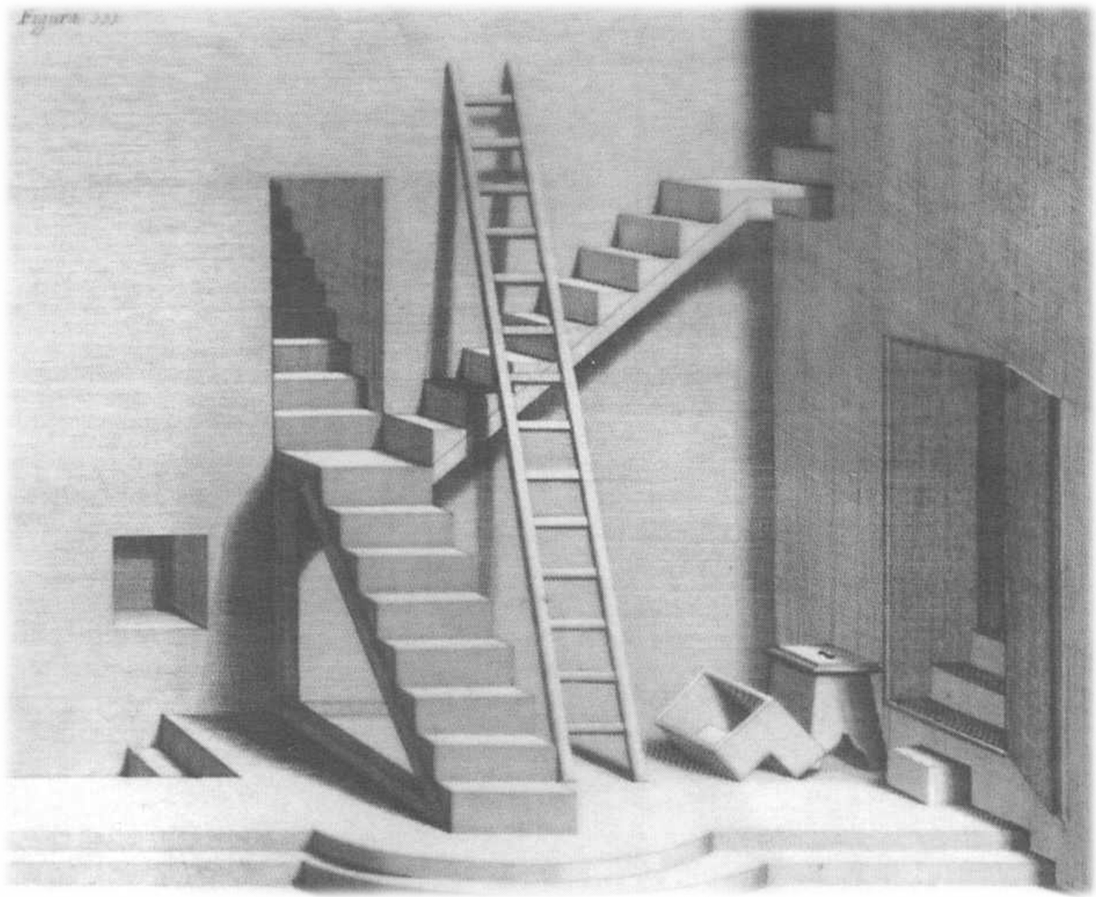
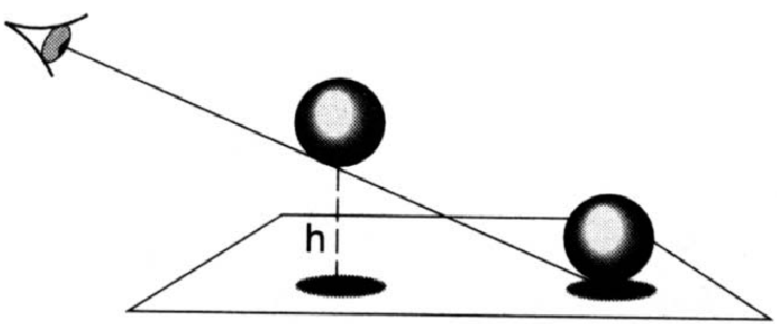
Shadows

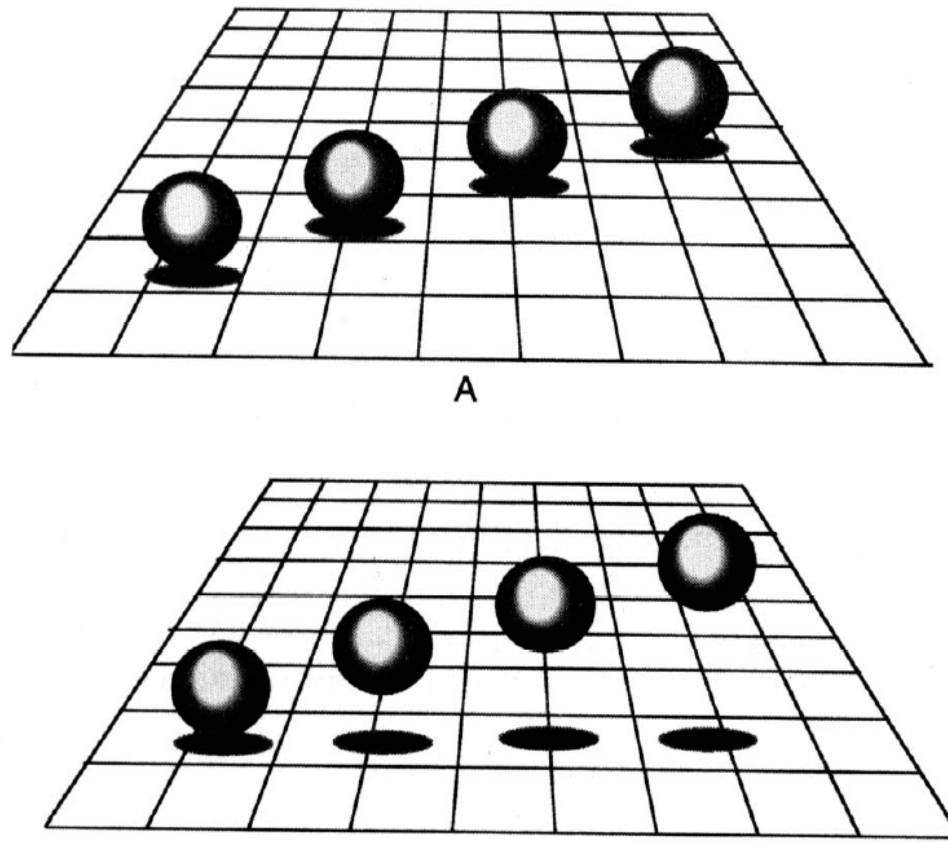
- Give additional cues on scene lighting



Shadows

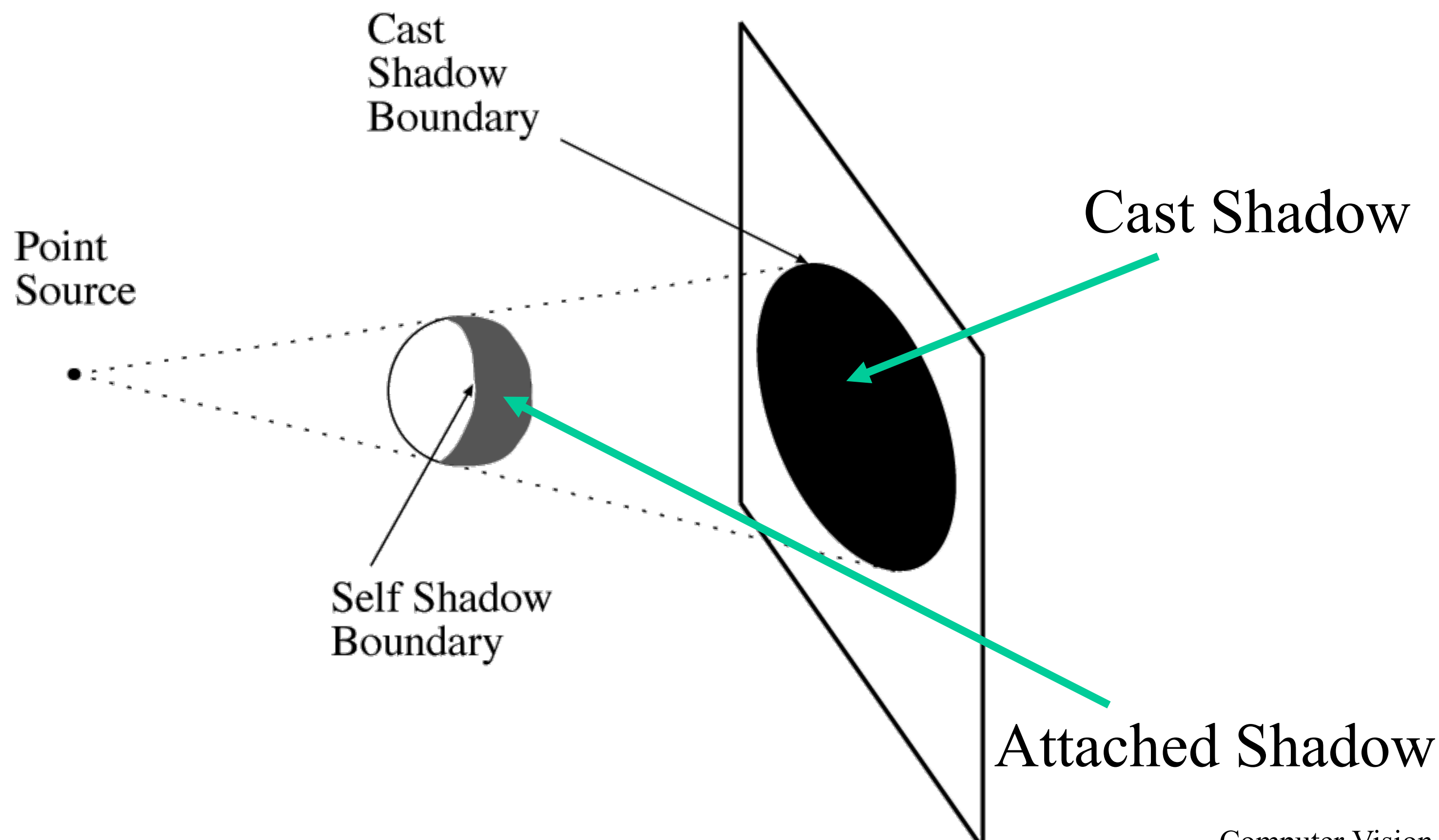
- Contact points
- Depth cues





Shadows cast by a point source

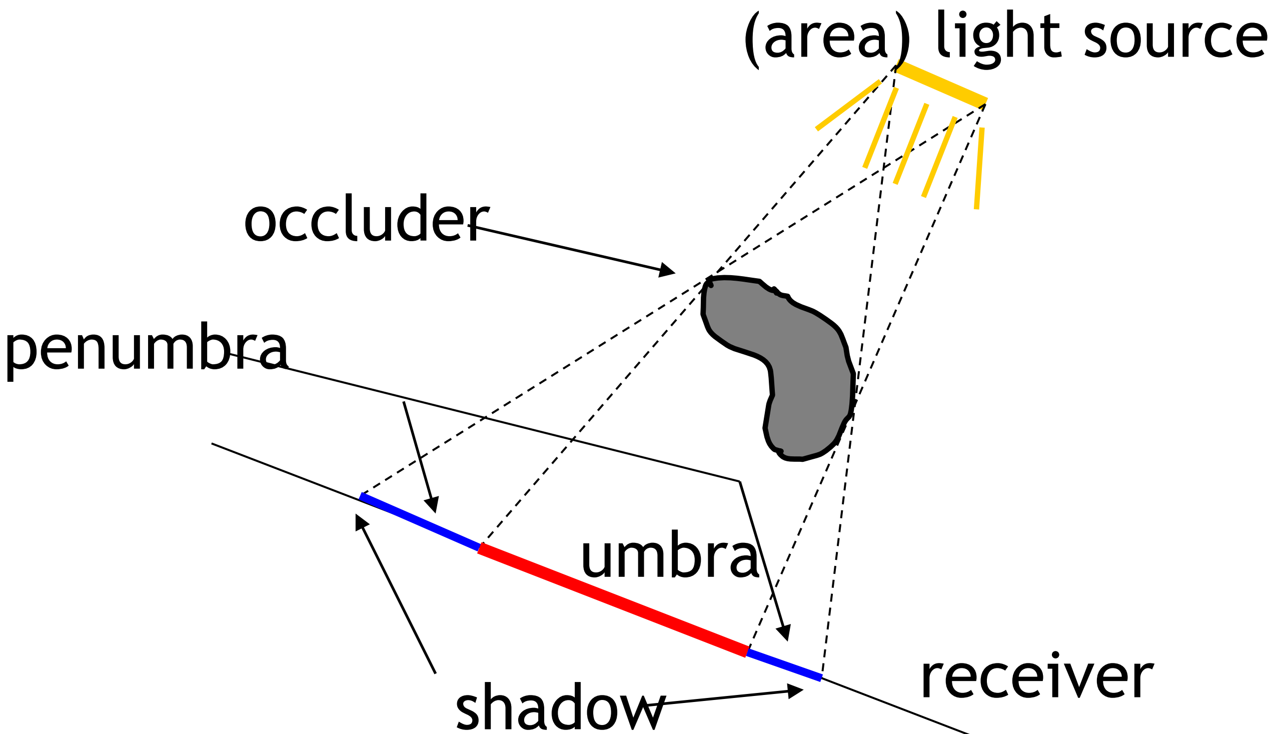
- A point that cannot see the source is in shadow
- For point sources, two types of shadows: cast shadows & attached shadows



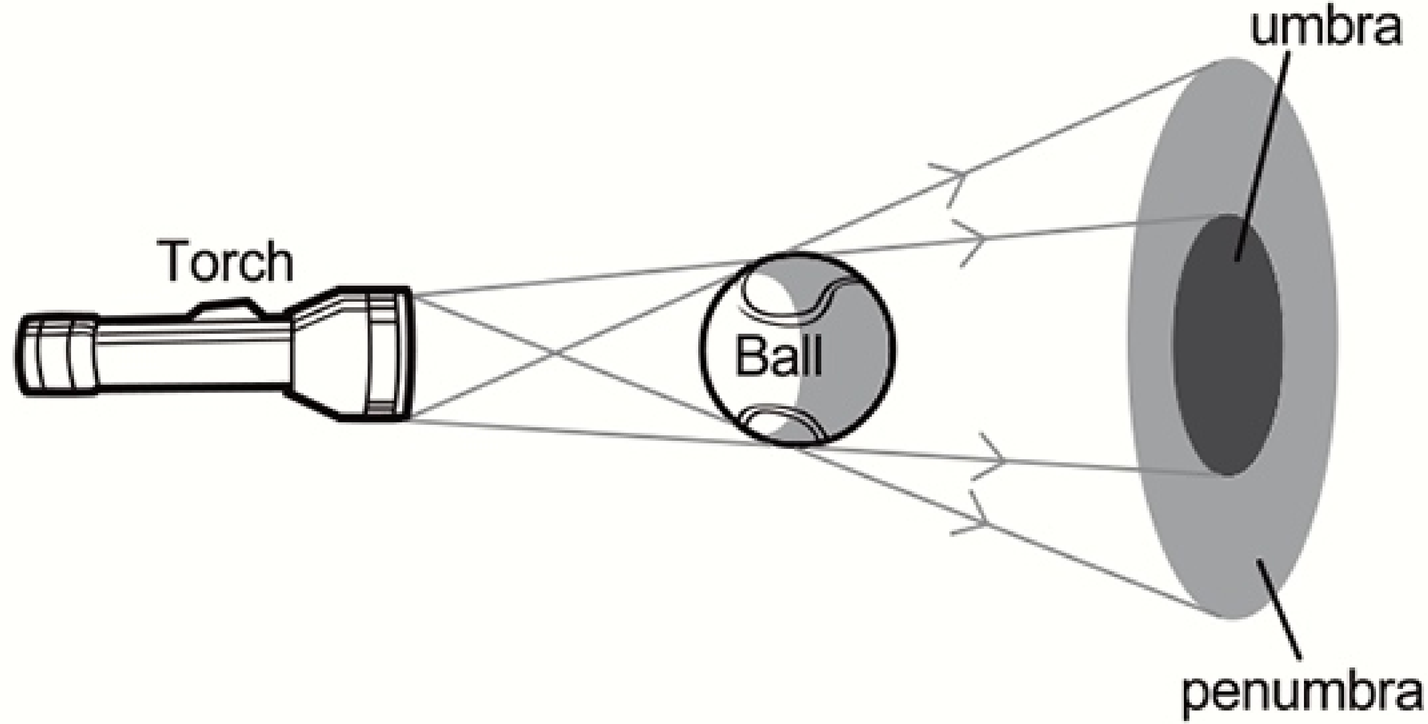
Terminology

Umbra: fully shadowed region

Penumbra: partially shadowed region

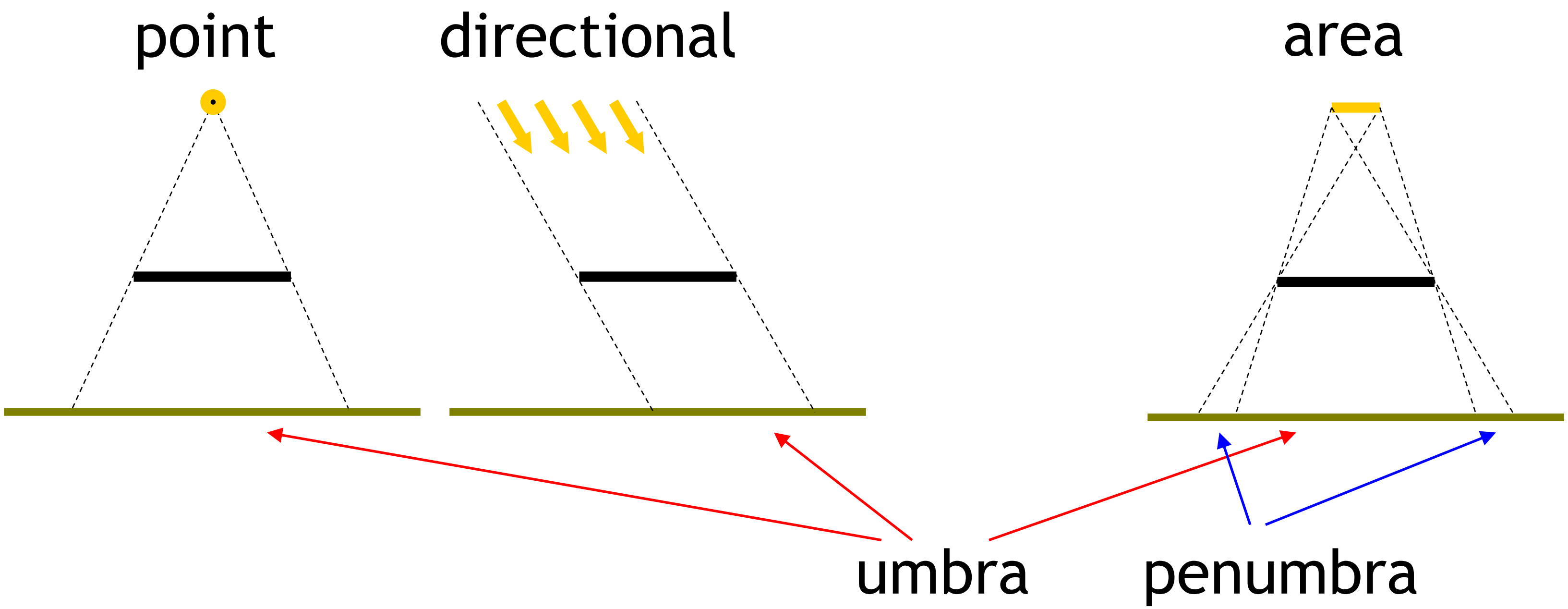


Penumbra and Umbra



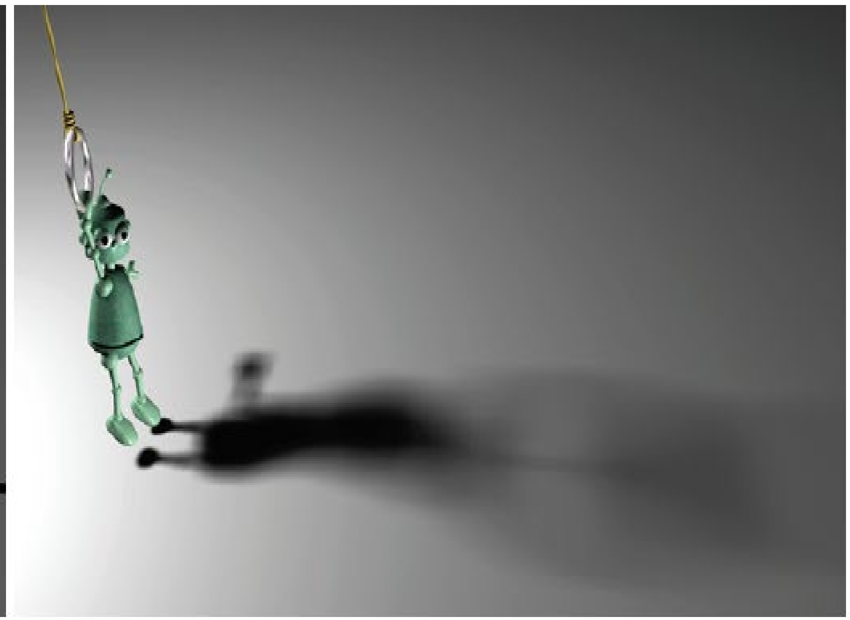
Hard and soft shadows

- Point and directional lights lead to hard shadows, no penumbra
- Area light sources lead to soft shadows, with penumbra



Hard and soft shadows

Hard shadow from
point light source



Soft shadow from
area light source

Next Lecture

- Photometric Stereo
- Reading:
  - Szeliski
    - Section 13.1.1