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Depth from Focus

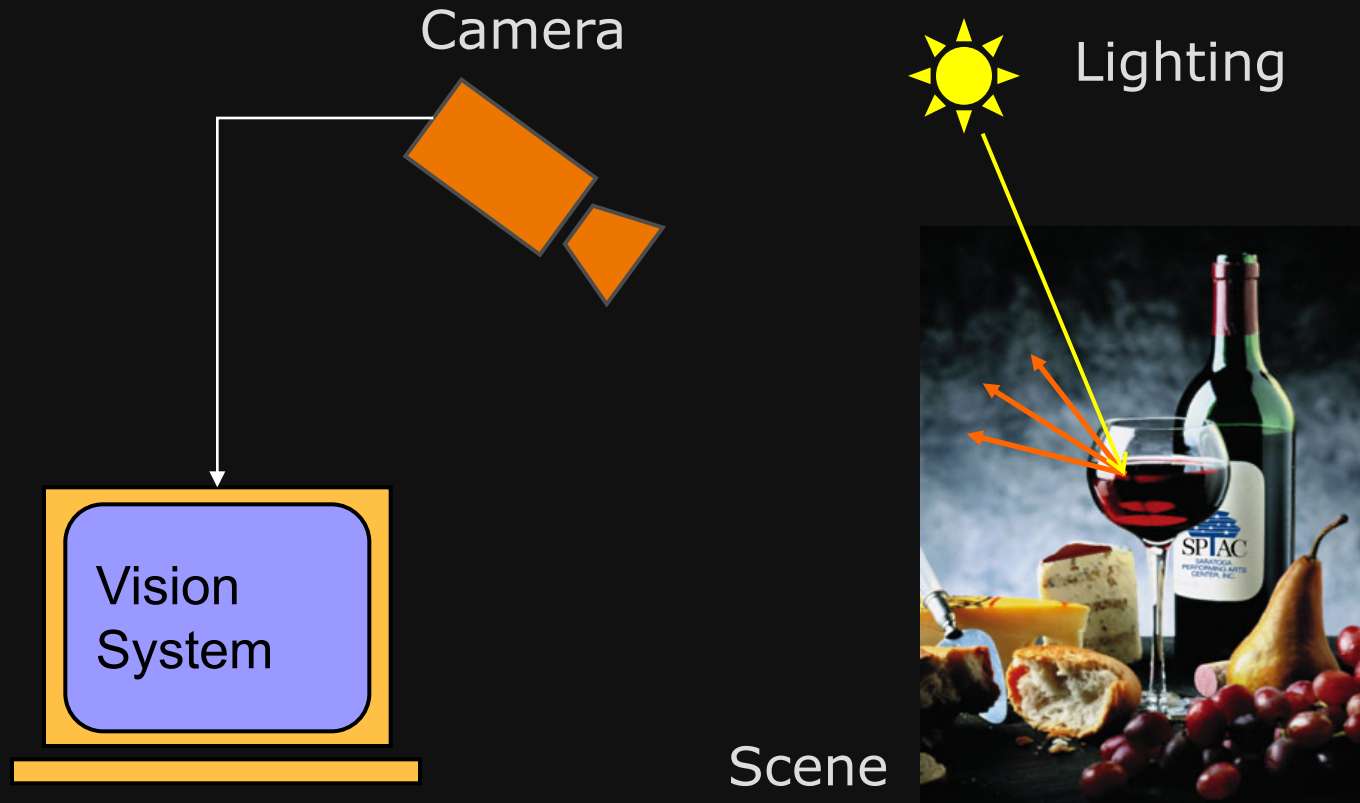


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Review: Photometric Stereo

From 2D to 3D



We need to understand the relation between lighting, surface reflectance and image intensity.

Photometric Stereo

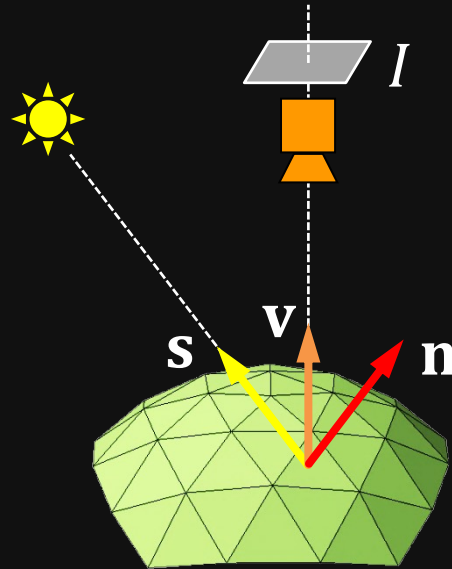
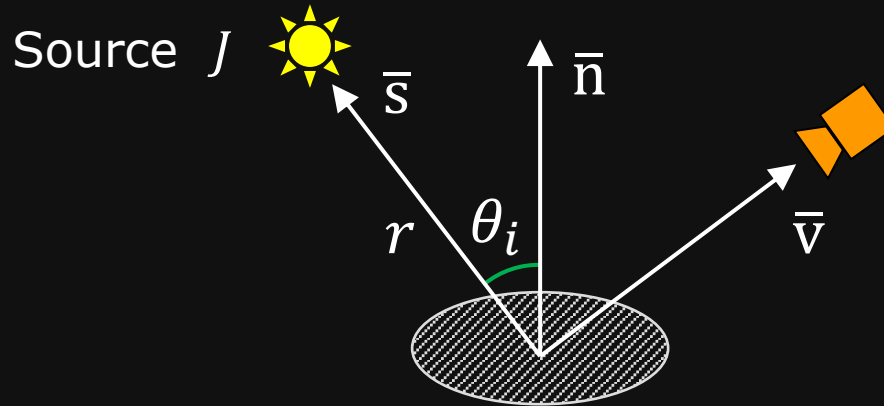


Image Intensity I = \mathcal{F} (Source Direction s , (Known)
(Known) Surface Normal n , (Unknown)
Surface Reflectance) (Known)

Photometric Stereo: Lambertian Case

Surface appears equally bright from ALL directions



Radiance is proportional to Irradiance:

$$L = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi} E \qquad E = \frac{J \cos \theta_i}{r^2} = \frac{J}{r^2} (\bar{n} \cdot \bar{s})$$

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Photometric Stereo: Lambertian Case

Image irradiance measured at point (x, y) under each of the three light sources:

$$I_1 = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s}_1 \quad I_2 = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s}_2 \quad I_3 = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s}_3$$

where: $\mathbf{n} = \begin{bmatrix} n_x \\ n_y \\ n_z \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{s}_i = \begin{bmatrix} s_{x_i} \\ s_{y_i} \\ s_{z_i} \end{bmatrix}$

We can write this in matrix format.

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \begin{bmatrix} s_{x1} & s_{y1} & s_{z1} \\ s_{x2} & s_{y2} & s_{z2} \\ s_{x3} & s_{y3} & s_{z3} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{n}$$

Measured

$S_{3 \times 3}$ (Known)

Photometric Stereo: Lambertian Case

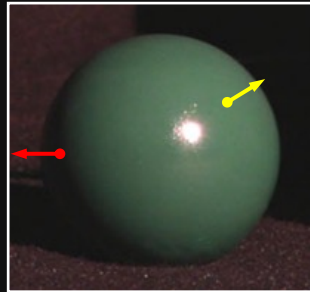
$$\begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_{x1} & s_{y1} & s_{z1} \\ s_{x2} & s_{y2} & s_{z2} \\ s_{x3} & s_{y3} & s_{z3} \end{bmatrix}}_{S_{3 \times 3} \text{ (Known)}} \mathbf{n} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} I = S\mathbf{N} \\ \text{where: } \mathbf{N} = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \mathbf{n} \end{cases}$$

Solution: $\mathbf{N} = (S)^{-1}I$

Surface Normal: $\mathbf{n} = \frac{\mathbf{N}}{\|\mathbf{N}\|}$ Albedo: $\frac{\rho}{\pi} = \|\mathbf{N}\|$

Calibration-based Photometric Stereo

Use a **calibration object** (ex: sphere) of **known size, shape** and **same reflectance** as the scene objects.



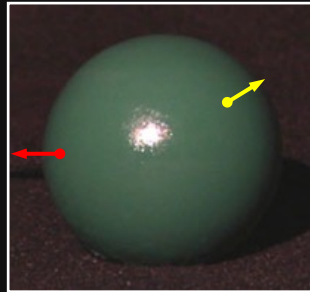
Calibration Sphere



Scene

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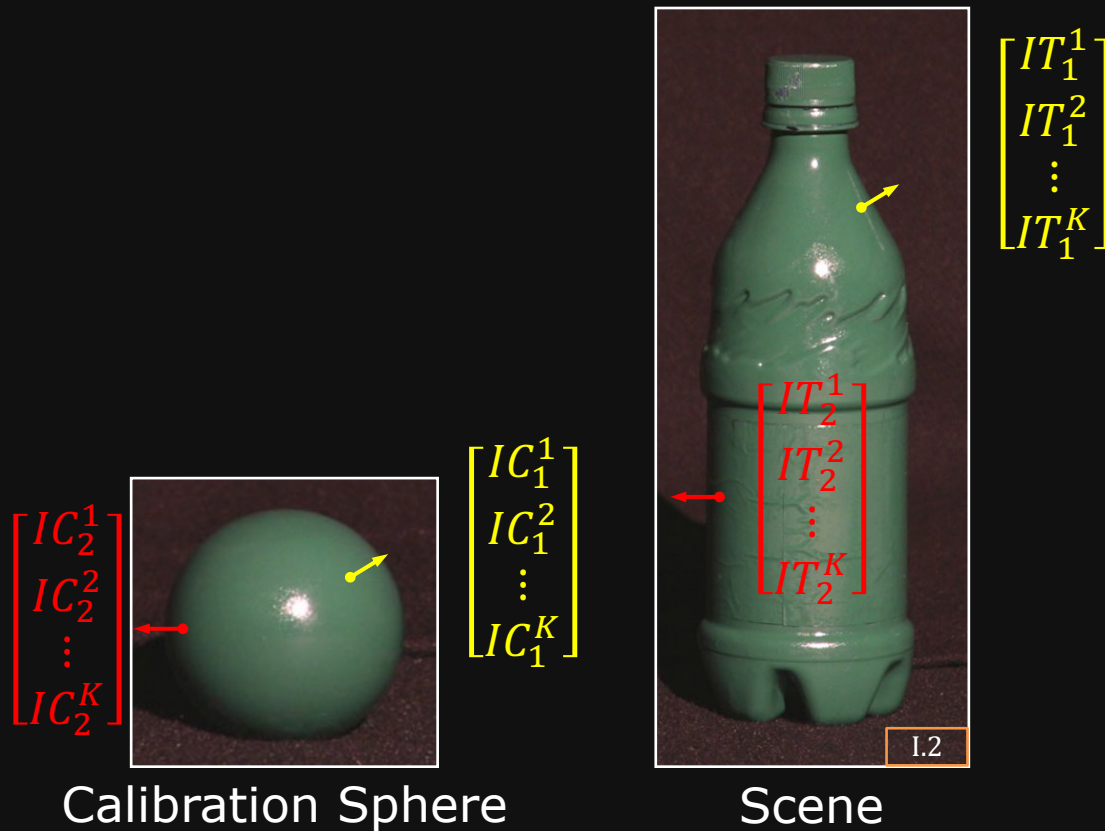


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Calibration Procedure

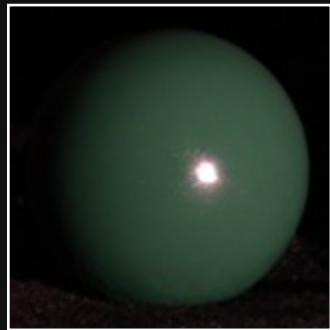


Image 1

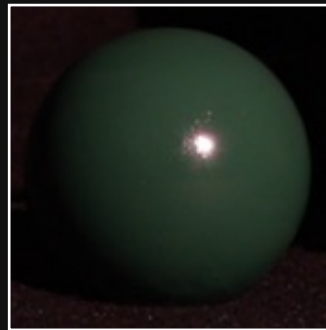
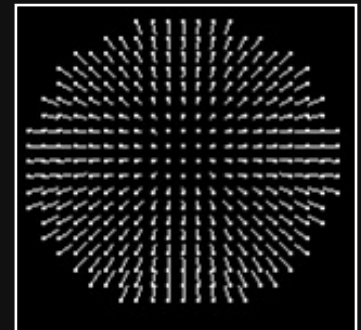


Image 2

...



Image K



Surface
Normals $(p, q, 1)$

Create a **lookup table**: $(I_1, I_2, \dots, I_K) \rightarrow (p, q)$

Populate the lookup table with (I_1, I_2, \dots, I_K) and (p, q) of all pixels on the sphere.

I_1	I_2	...	I_K	p	q

Looking Up Surface Normal

Surface normal estimation:

- Capture K images of the scene object under the same K light sources.
- For each pixel, use lookup table to map $(I_1, I_2, \dots, I_K) \rightarrow (p, q)$



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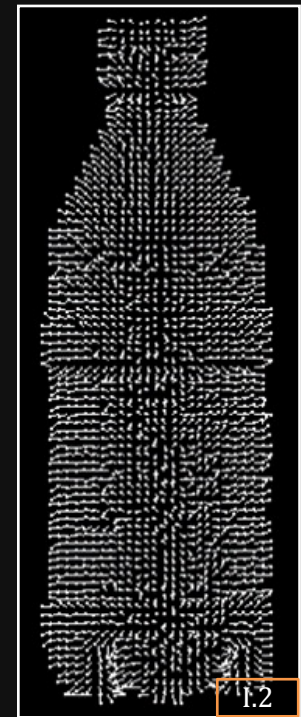


Image 2

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Image K



Estimated
surface normals

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Depth from Focus





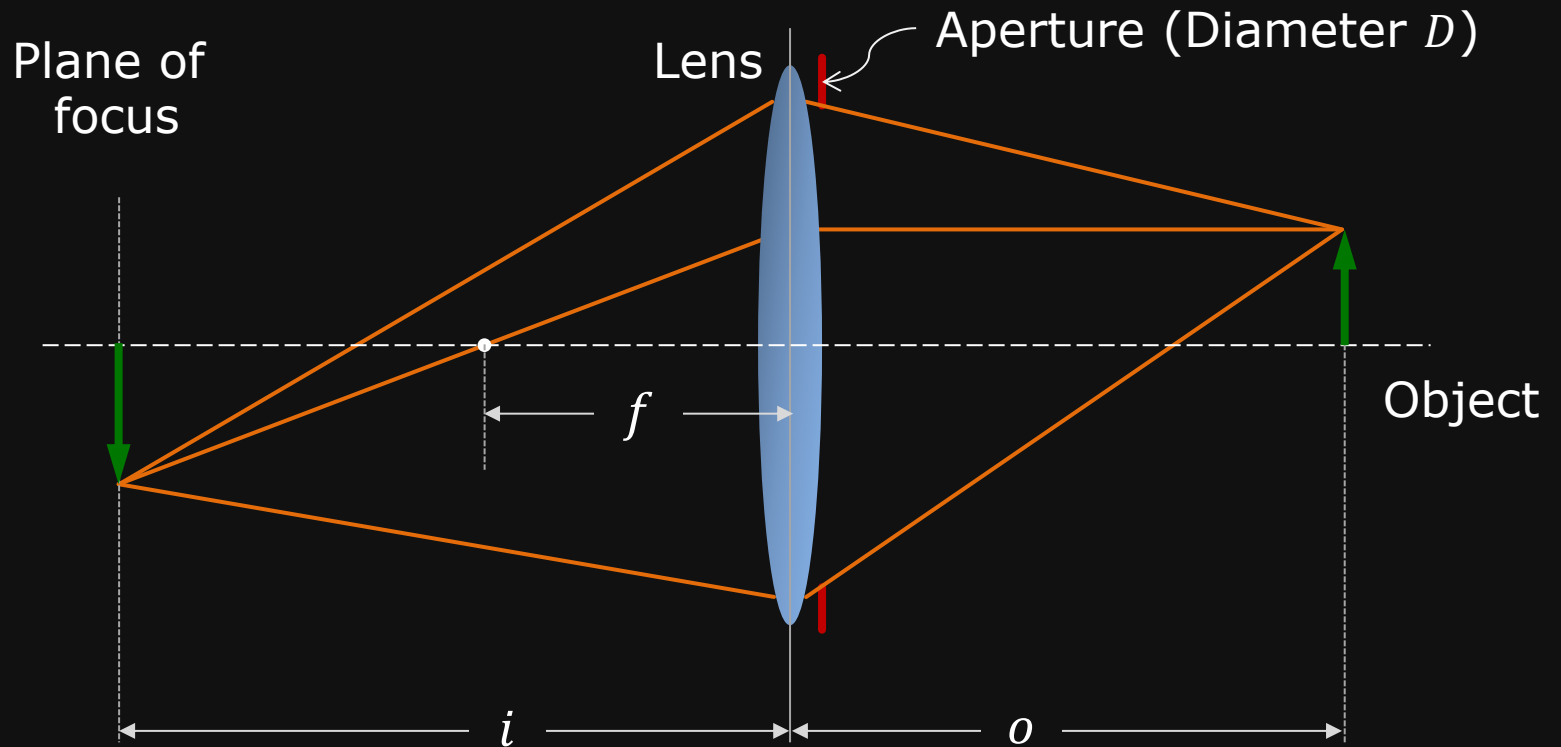
Depth from Focus/Defocus

Methods to compute depth by analyzing the amount of focus or defocus in an image.

Topics:

- (1) Geometry of Defocus
- (2) Depth from Focus
- (3) Depth from Defocus

Review: Gaussian Lens Law

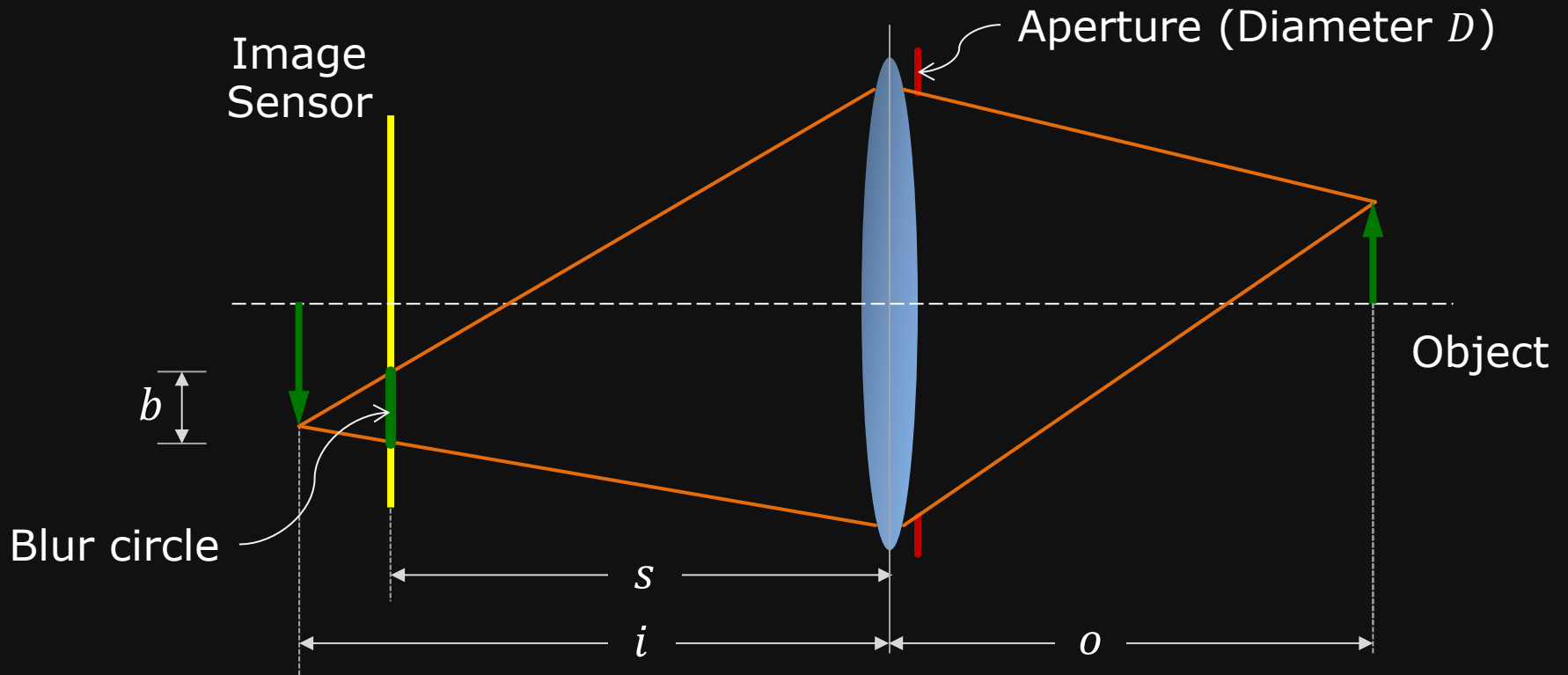


Gaussian lens law:

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{i} + \frac{1}{o}$$

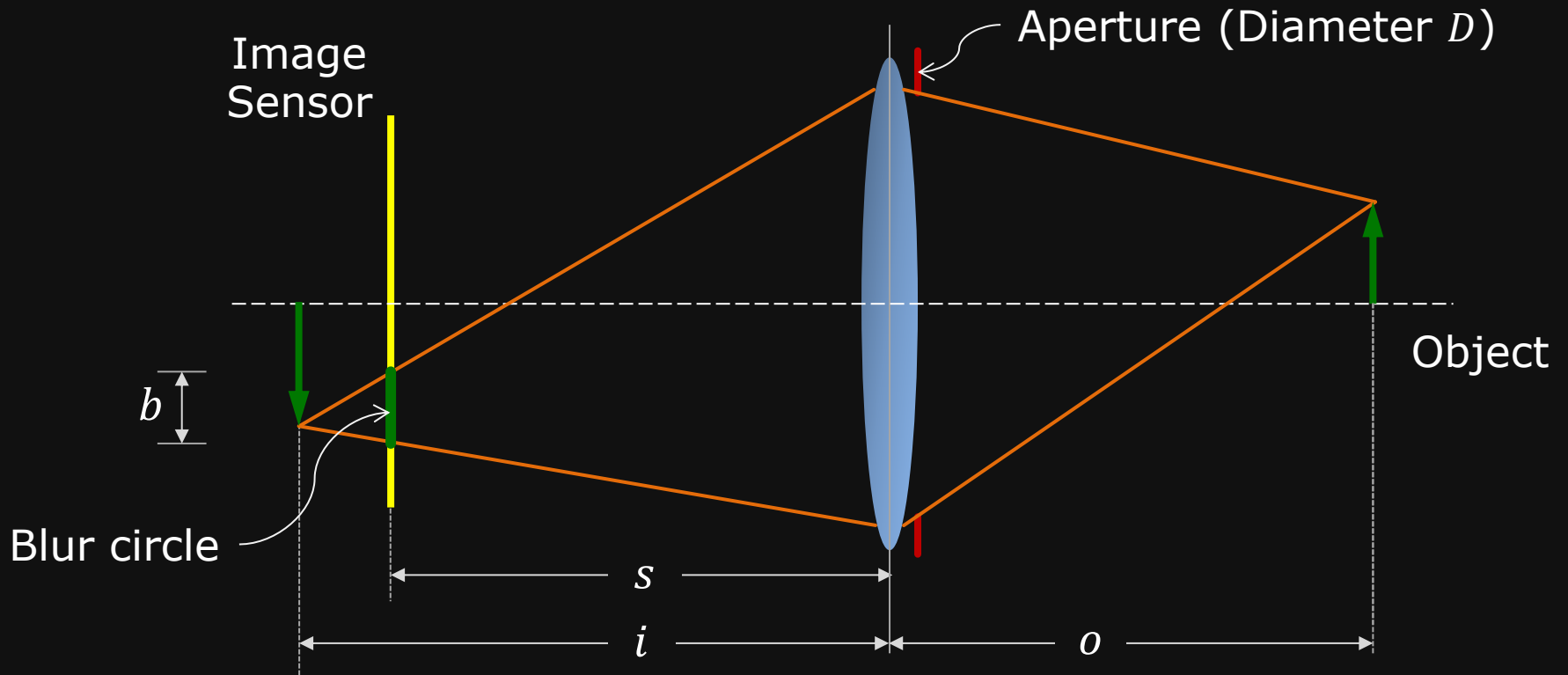
f : Focal length

Geometry of Image Defocus



From Similar Triangles:
$$\frac{b}{D} = \left| \frac{i - s}{i} \right|$$

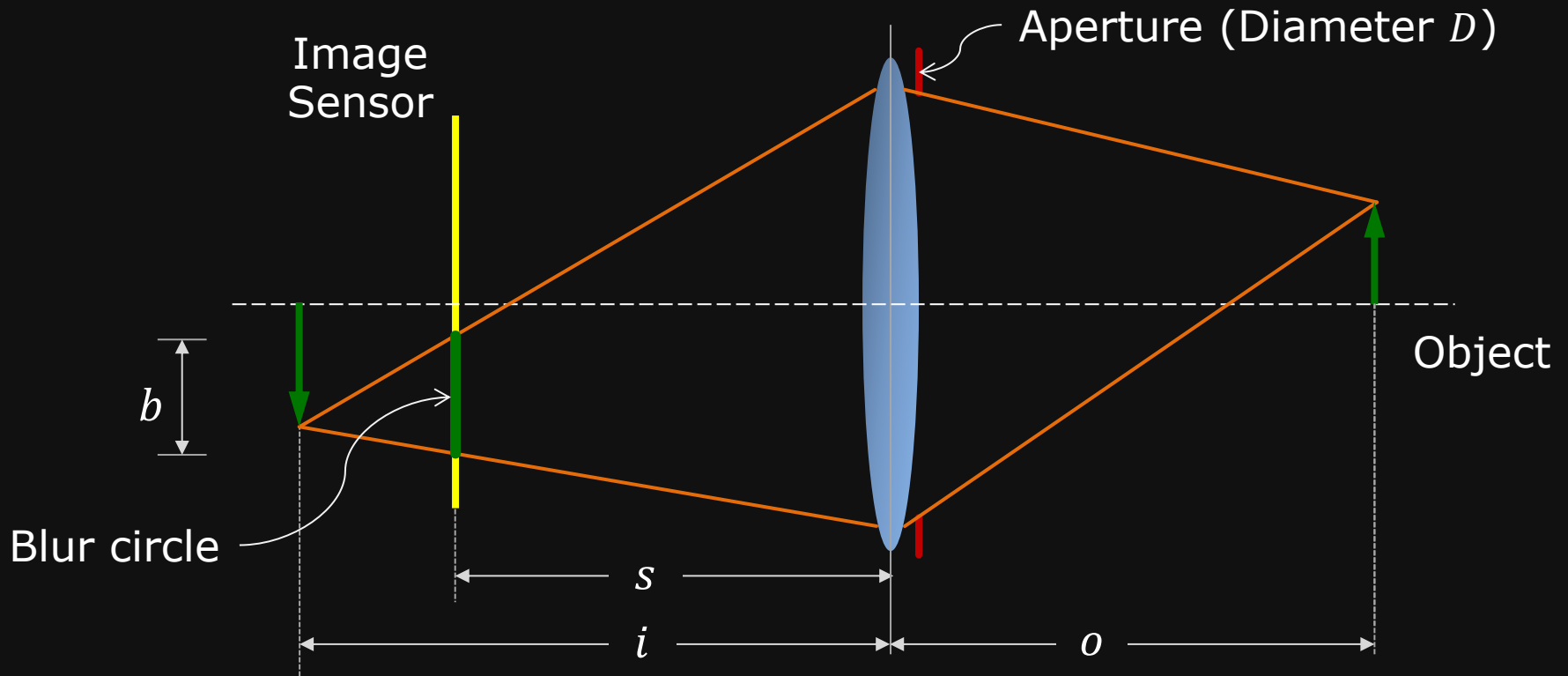
Image Defocus and Sensor Location



Blur circle diameter:

$$b = D \left| 1 - \frac{s}{i} \right|$$

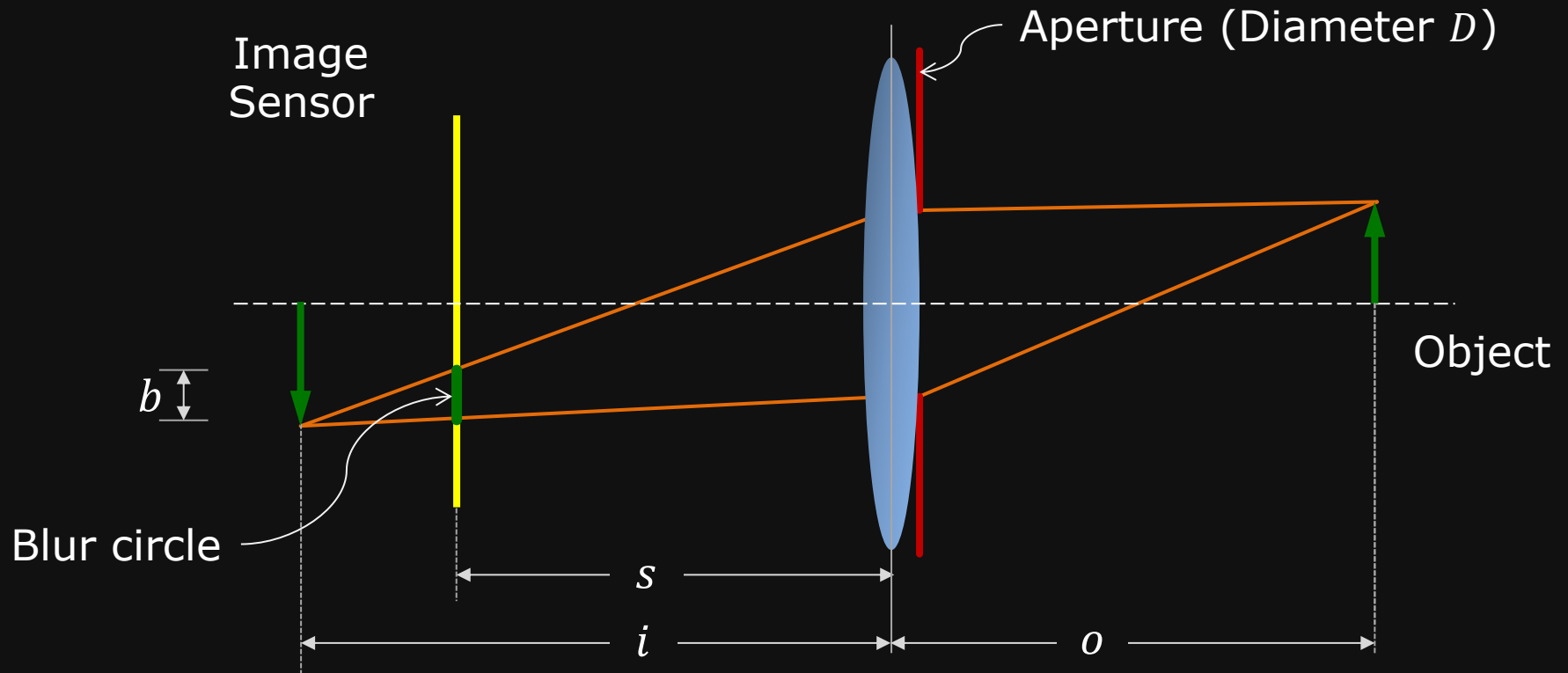
Image Defocus and Sensor Location



Blur circle diameter:
$$b = D \left| 1 - \frac{s}{i} \right|$$

Farther the sensor from the plane of focus, larger the blur circle b

Image Defocus and Aperture Size

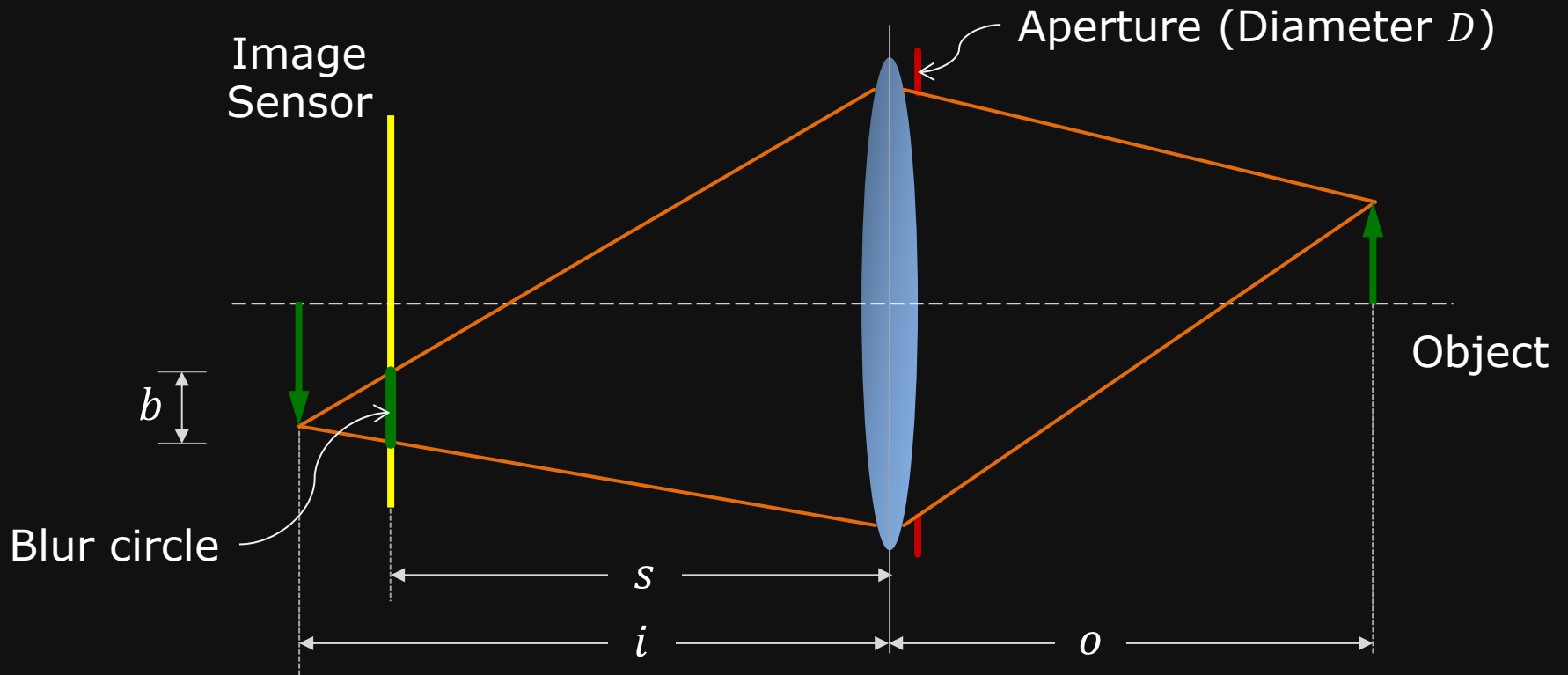


Blur circle diameter:

$$b = D \left| 1 - \frac{s}{i} \right|$$

Smaller the aperture size D , smaller the blur circle b

Depth From Focus (DFF)



Place image sensor at $s = i$

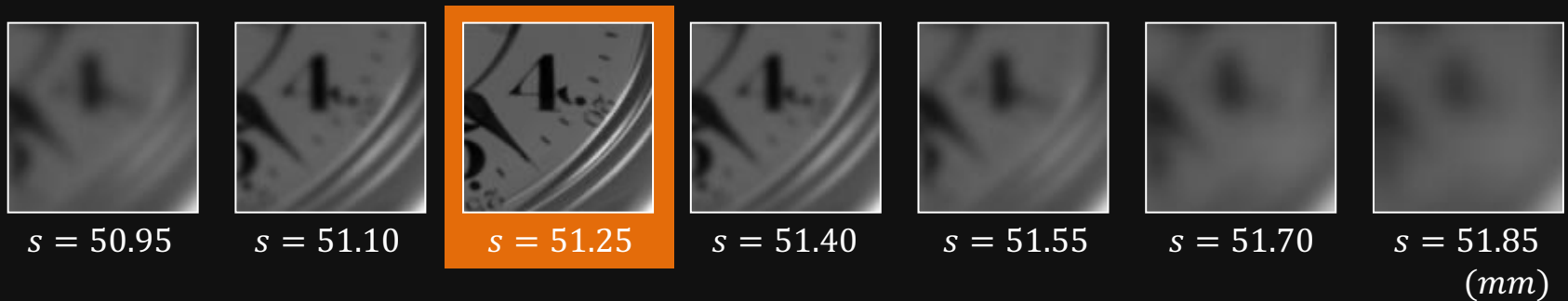
Depth From Focus (DFF)

Take images with different focus settings by moving the sensor



Depth From Focus

For each small patch in image, determine when it is best focused.



Obtain scene depth using Gaussian lens law.

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

\Rightarrow

$$o = \frac{sf}{s - f}$$

Ex: $s = 51.25 \text{ mm}$

$f = 50 \text{ mm}$

$o = 2.05 \text{ m}$

Problem: How to find the best focused image?

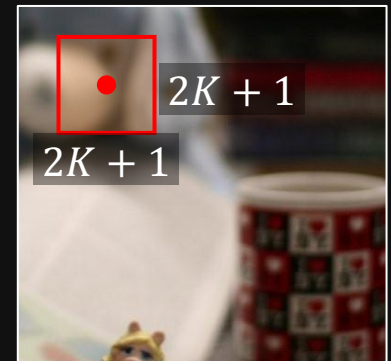
Focus Measure

Since defocus attenuates high frequencies, use a **high-pass filter** to measure the amount of **high frequency content** within each small patch.

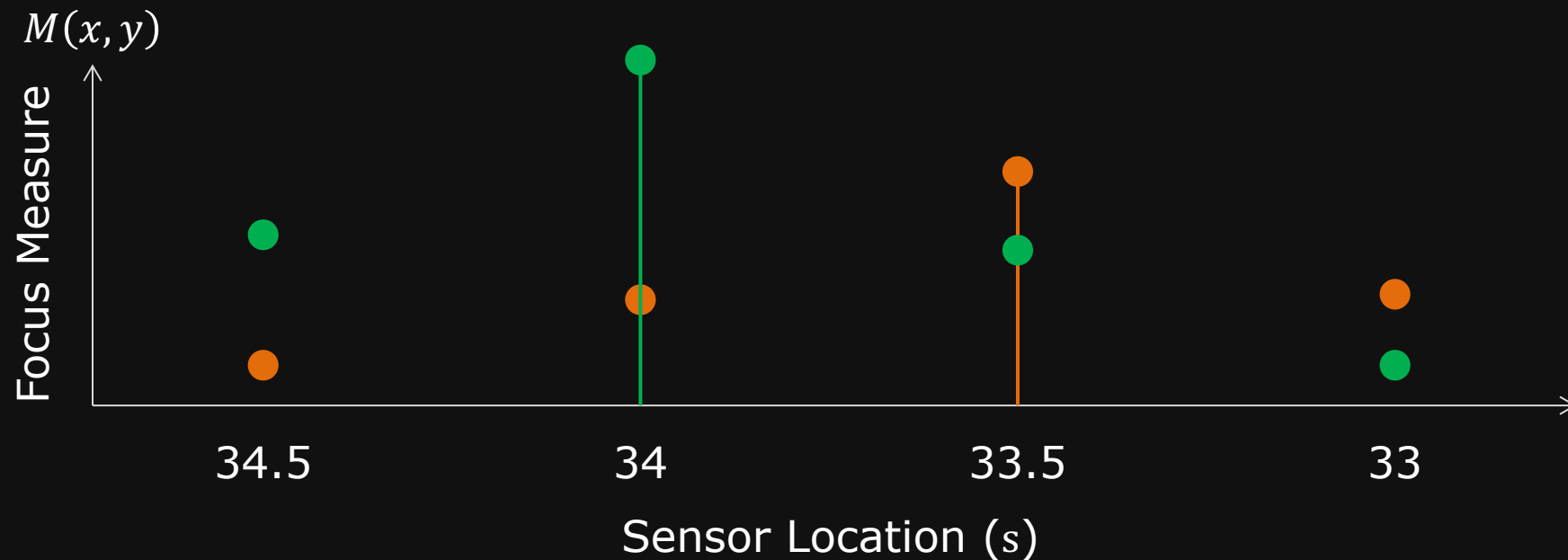
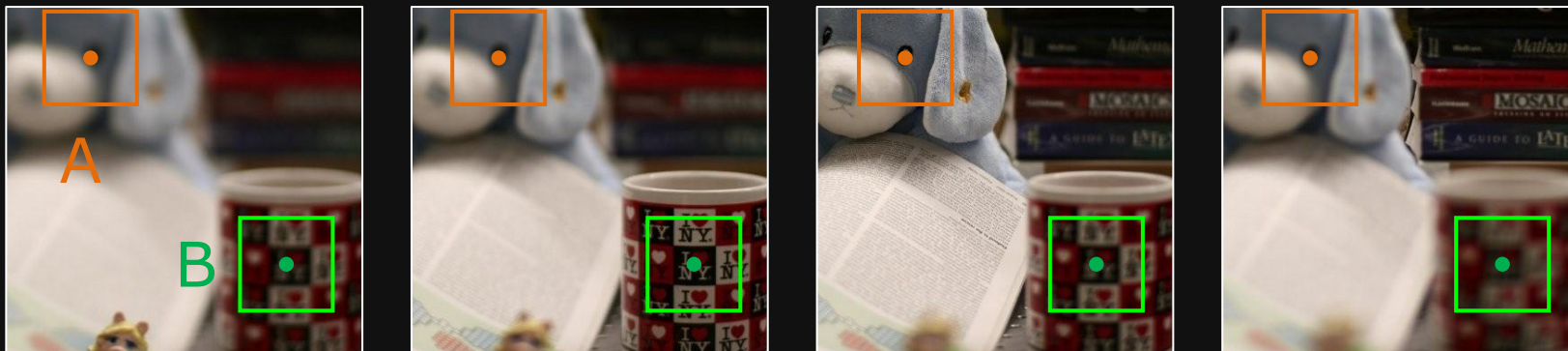
For example, use: $\nabla_M^2 f = \left| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right|$ (Similar to Laplacian)

Focus Measure: Sum of the square of (modified) Laplacian responses within a small window.

$$M(x, y) = \sum_{i=x-K}^{x+K} \sum_{j=y-K}^{y+K} \nabla_M^2 f(i, j)$$



Depth from Focus

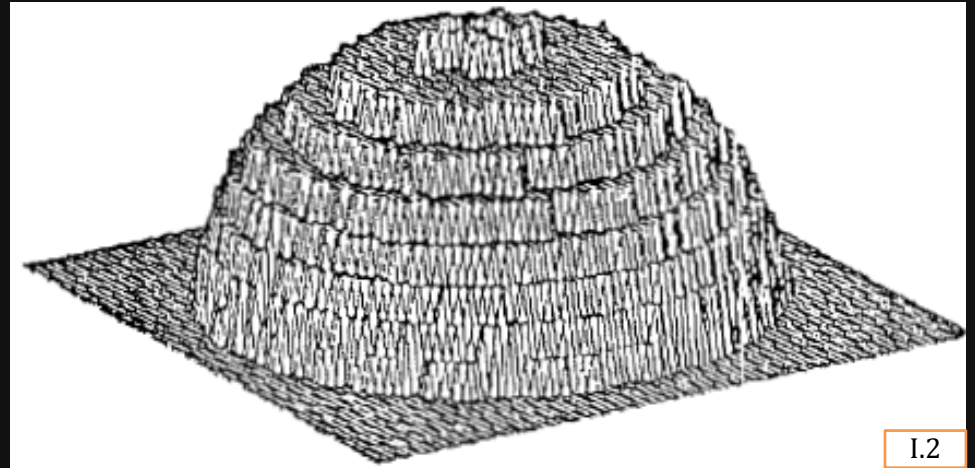


Depth from Focus

Depths can have only N values where N is the number of sensor locations.



Scene
(Metal ball with
rough surface)

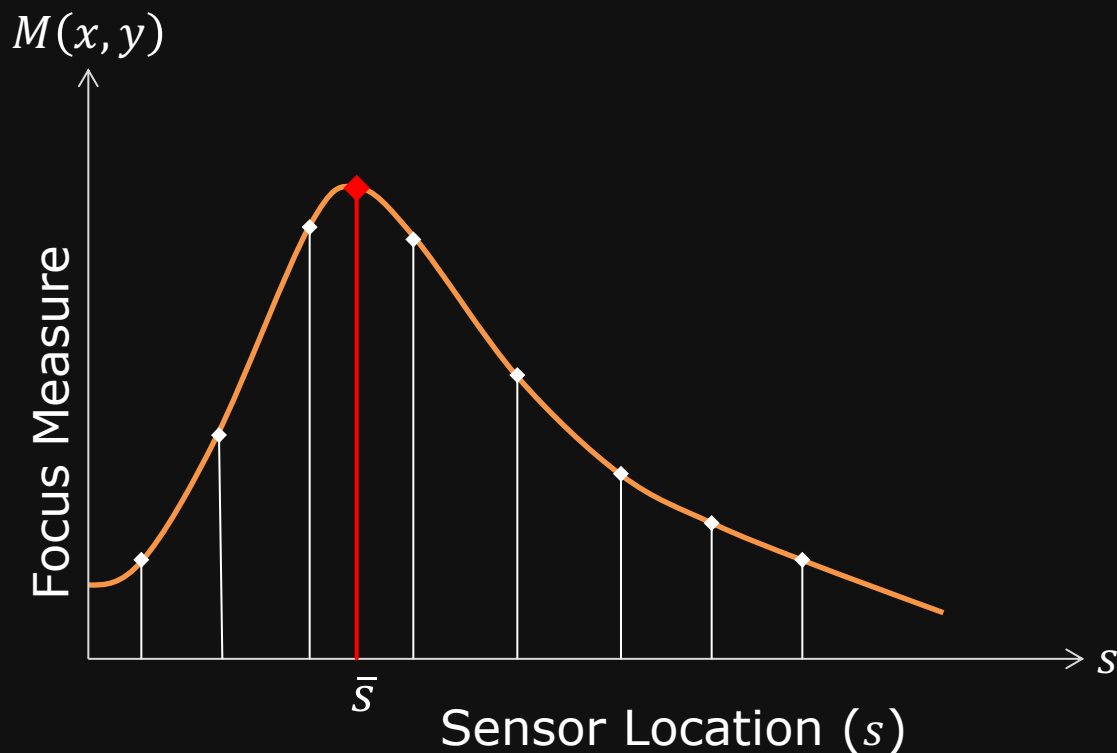


Shape obtained using
Depth from Focus

Solution: Take images using many sensor locations. **OR...**

Depth Estimation Using Gaussian Interpolation

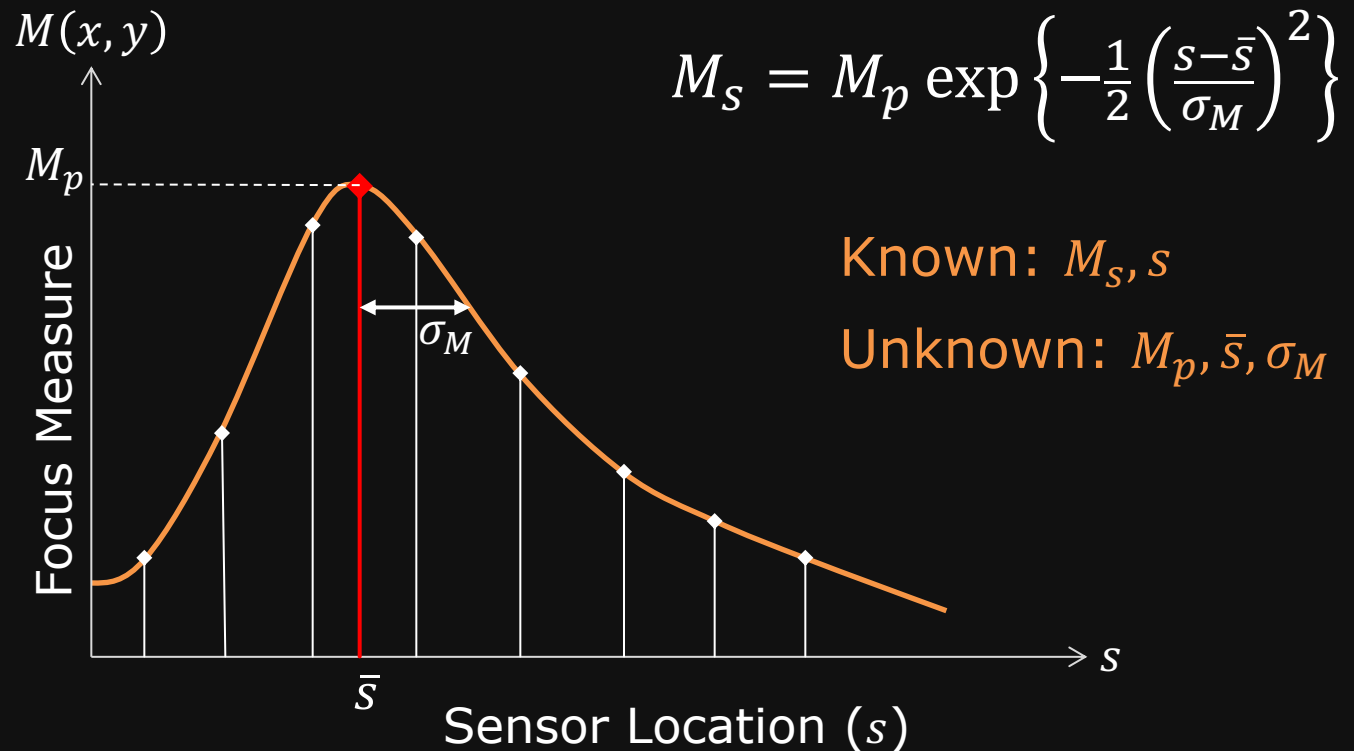
Peak of focus measure curve is a Gaussian-like function.



Mean of the Gaussian may be used as the sensor location corresponding to the "best focus."

Depth Estimation Using Gaussian Interpolation

Peak of focus measure curve is a Gaussian-like function.



How many (M_s, s) samples do we need to estimate \bar{s} ?

Gaussian Interpolation

If we can “linearize” the problem, we would need only **three** samples to estimate \bar{s} as there are only three unknowns (\bar{s} , M_p , σ_M).

$$\text{Gaussian: } M_s = M_p \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{s - \bar{s}}{\sigma_M} \right)^2 \right\}$$

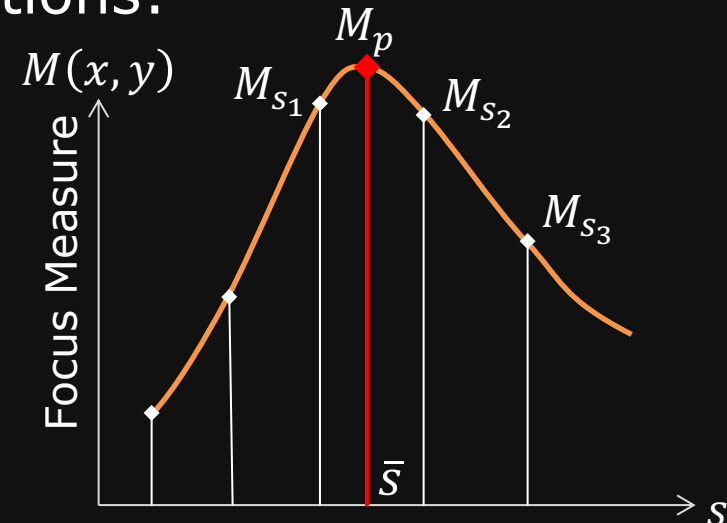
$$\text{Taking the natural logarithm: } \ln M_s = \ln M_p - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{s - \bar{s}}{\sigma_M} \right)^2$$

Equations for the three sensor positions:

$$\ln M_{s_1} = \ln M_p - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{s_1 - \bar{s}}{\sigma_M} \right)^2$$

$$\ln M_{s_2} = \ln M_p - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{s_2 - \bar{s}}{\sigma_M} \right)^2$$

$$\ln M_{s_3} = \ln M_p - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{s_3 - \bar{s}}{\sigma_M} \right)^2$$



Where, M_{s_1} , M_{s_2} , M_{s_3} are the three highest values.

Depth Estimation Using Gaussian Interpolation

Solving for \bar{s} :

$$\bar{s} = + \frac{(\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_3})(s_2^2 - s_1^2)}{2(s_3 - s_2)\{(\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_1}) + (\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_3})\}} \\ - \frac{(\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_1})(s_2^2 - s_3^2)}{2(s_3 - s_2)\{(\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_1}) + (\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_3})\}}$$

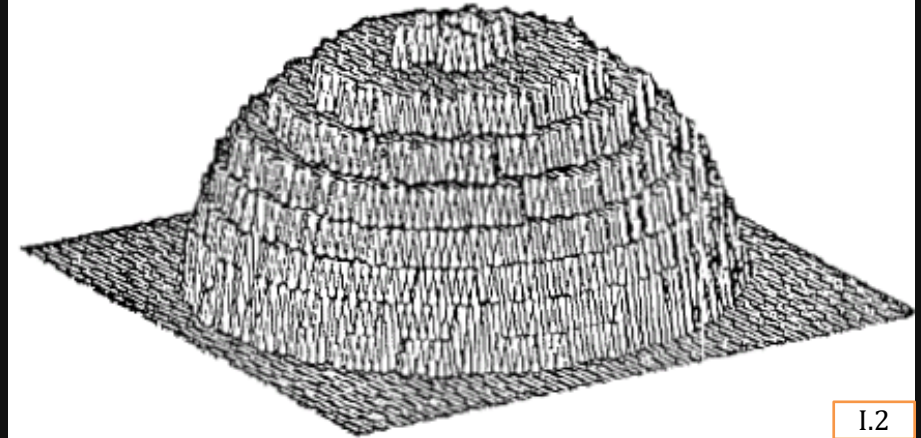
Finally, obtain scene depth using Gaussian Lens Law.

$$o = \frac{\bar{s}f}{\bar{s} - f}$$

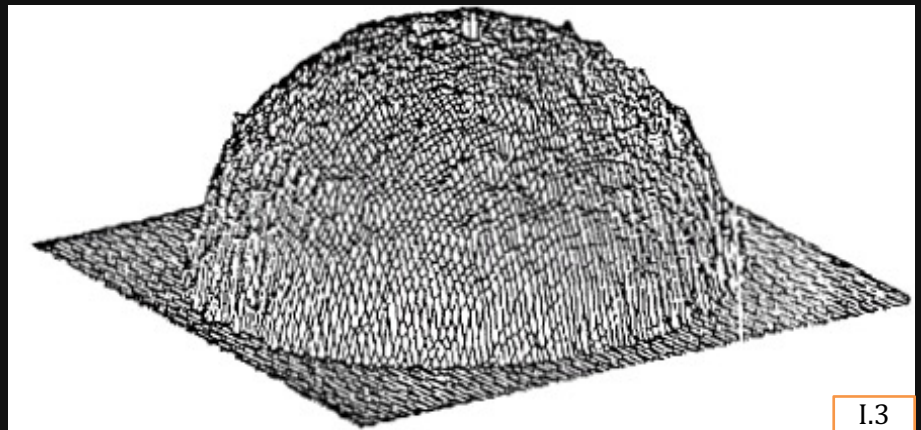
Depth from Focus: Result



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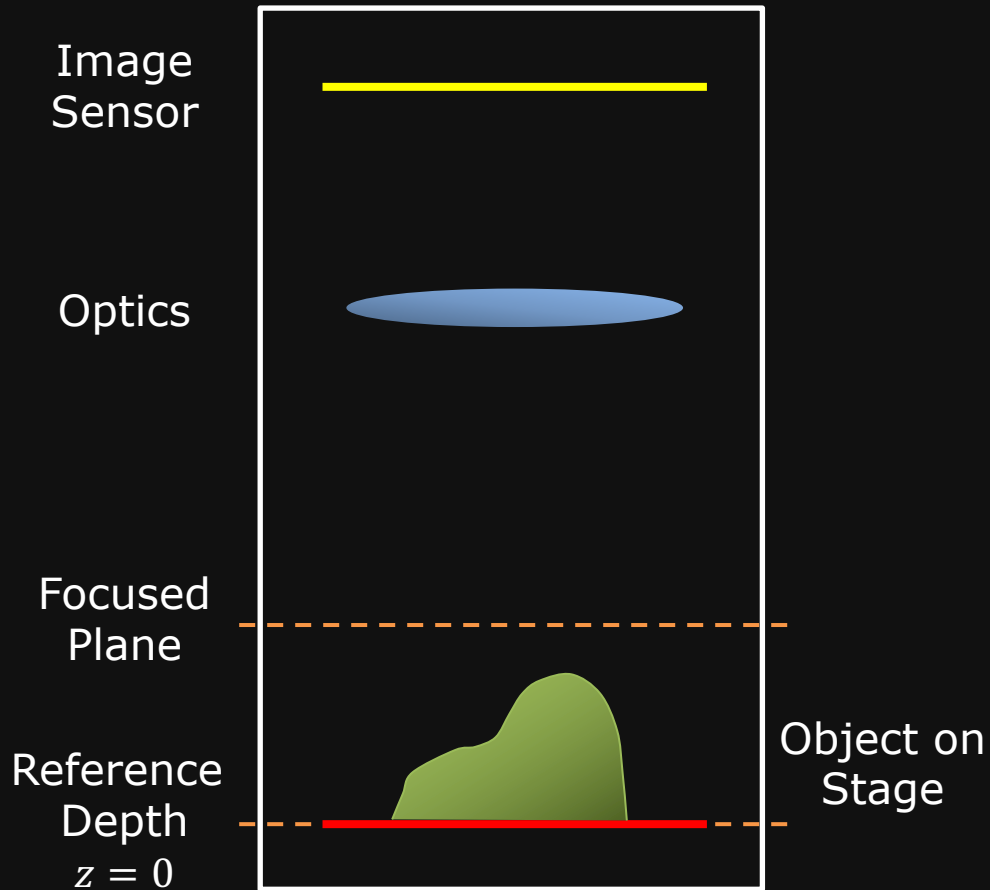


Depth without Gaussian Interpolation



Depth using Gaussian Interpolation

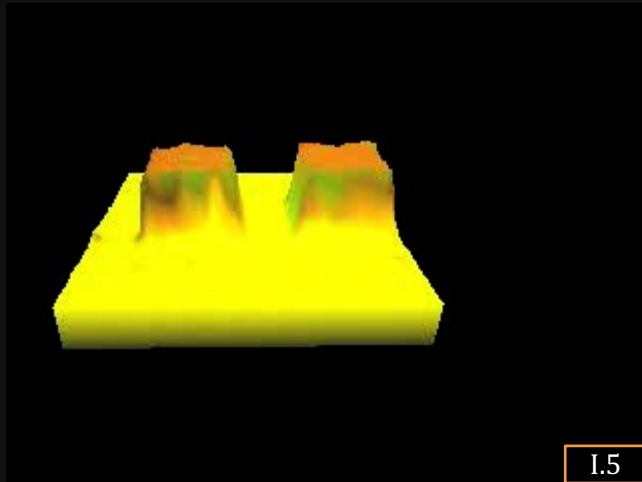
A Depth from Focus (DFF) System



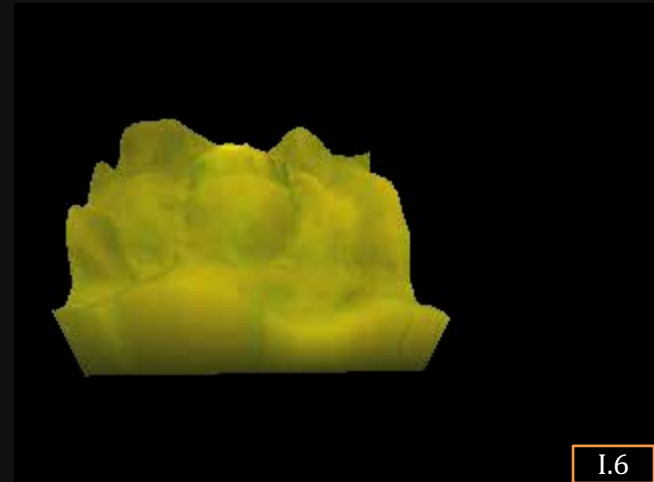
DFF in a Microscope



Depth from Focus System: Results



Structures on Silicon Wafer
(13 microns in height)



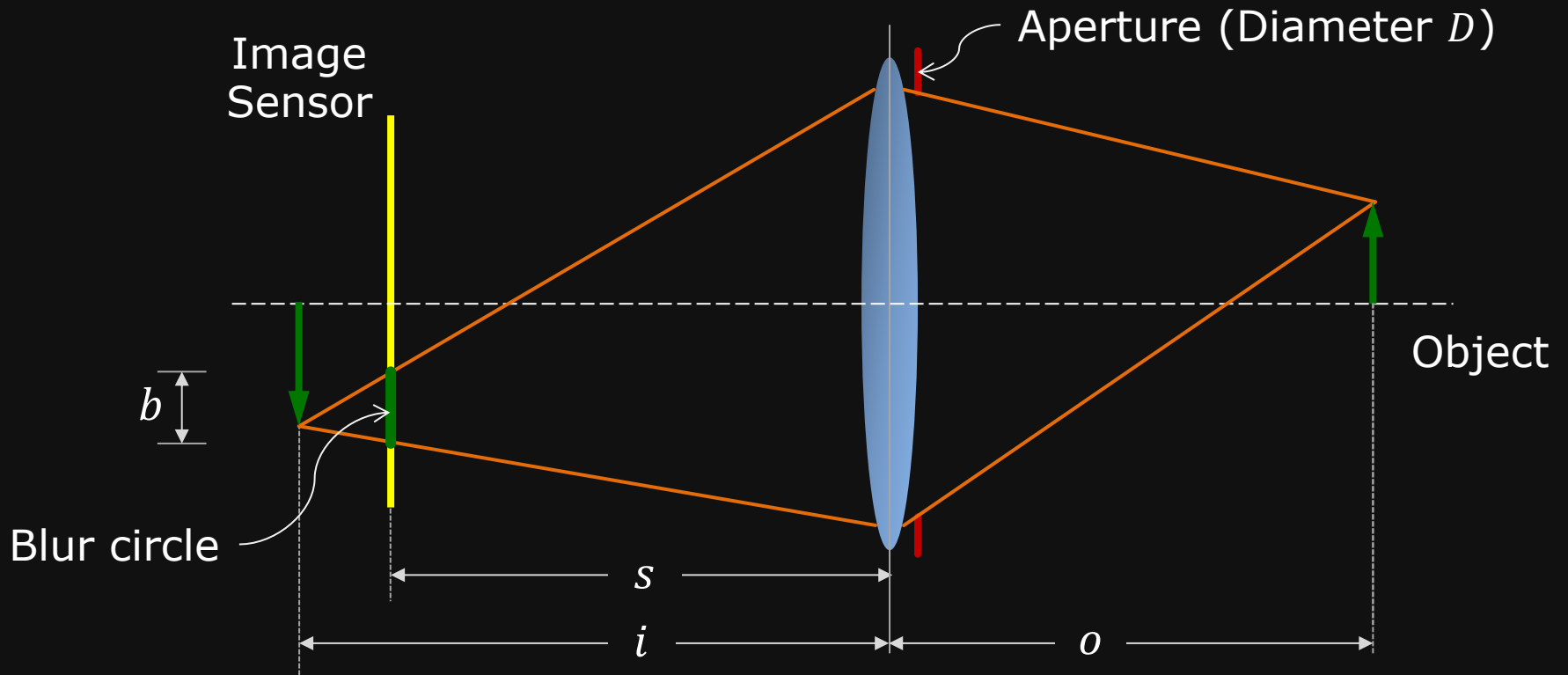
Leaf Stomata (air vent)
(30 microns in height)

Depth from Defocus (DFD)

Given an image, the depth of a scene point can be computed if we know how much it is defocused.

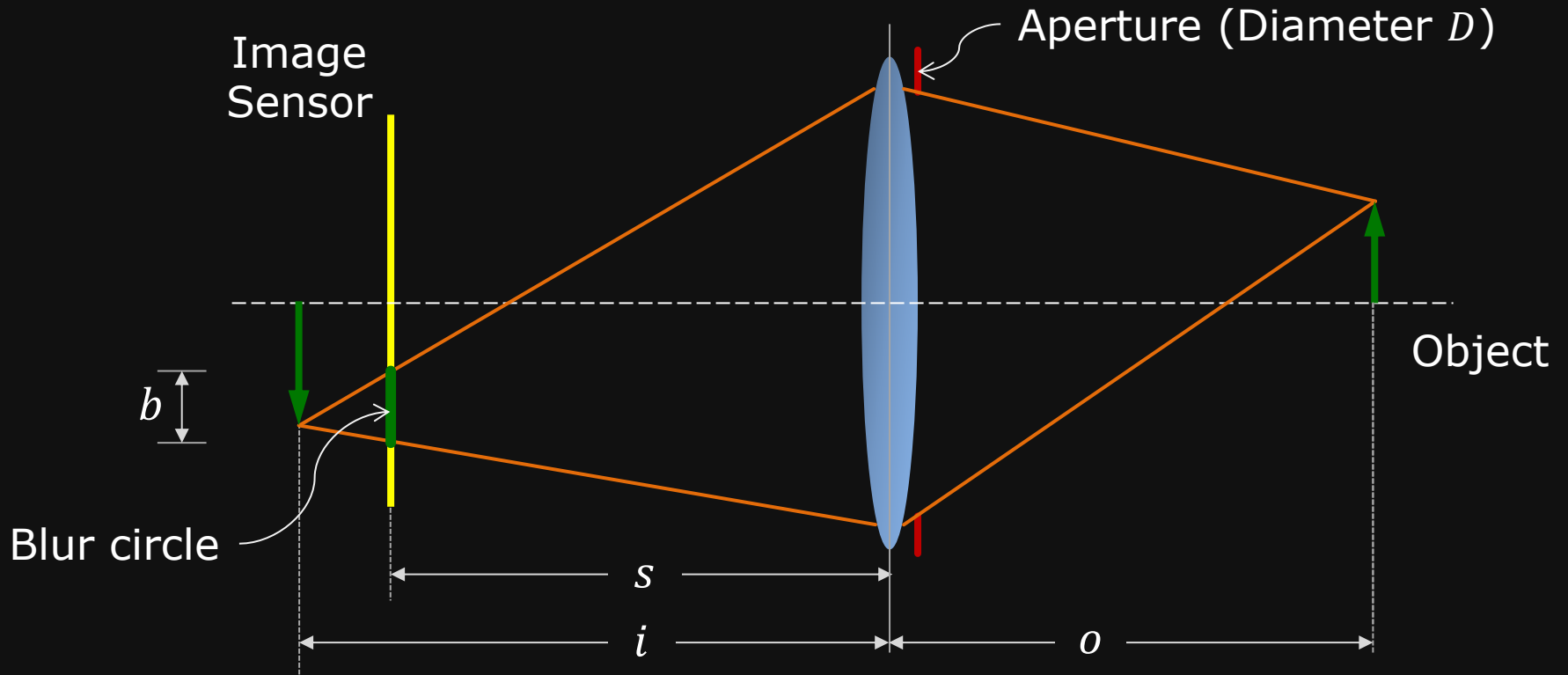


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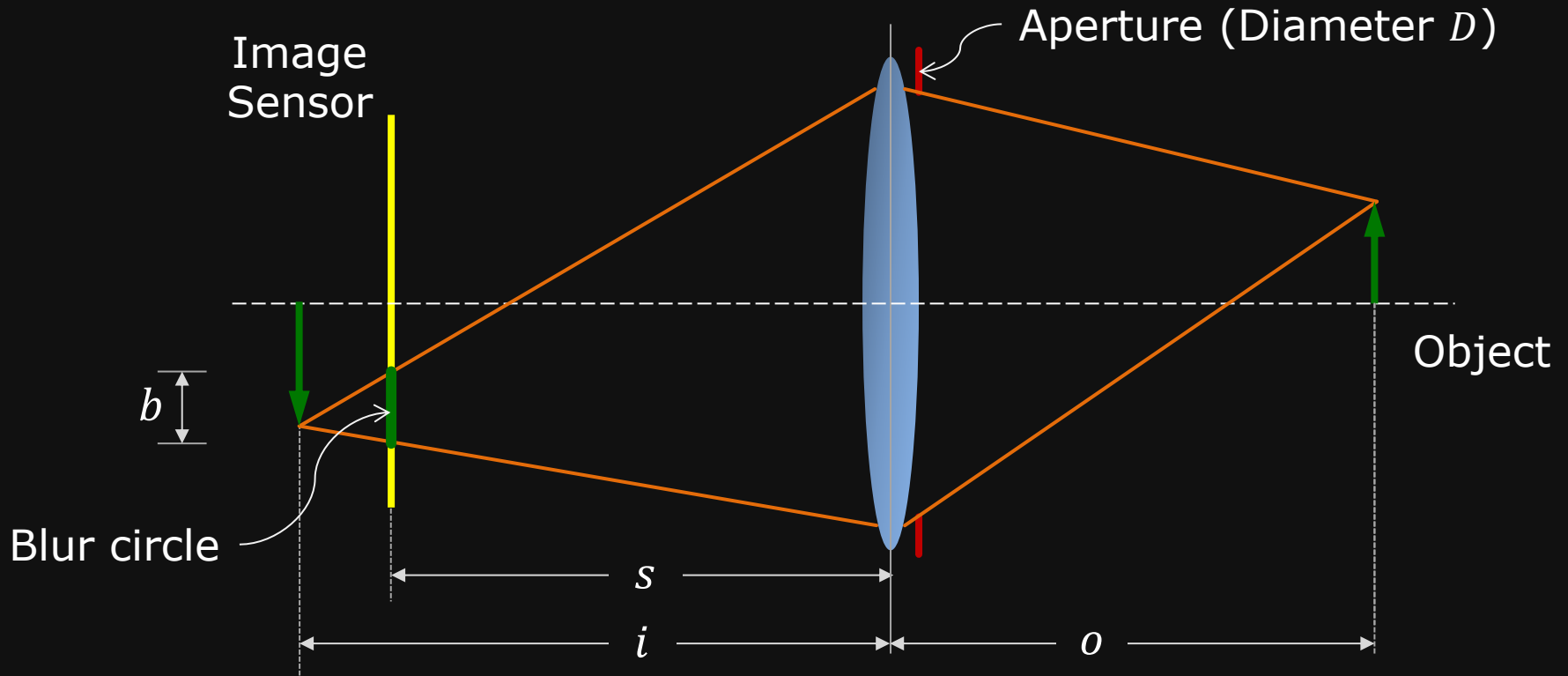
Depth From Defocus (DFD)



We know that: $\frac{b}{D} = \frac{i - s}{i}$ and $o = \frac{if}{i - f}$

$$\Rightarrow i = \frac{Ds}{D - b} \quad \Rightarrow o = \frac{sf}{s - f - b(f/D)}$$

Depth From Defocus (DFD)



Given b , s , D and f , we get Object Distance:

$$o = \frac{sf}{s - f - b(f/D)}$$

f/D : F-Number

Defocus as Convolution

Within a region where scene depth is constant...



$f_0(x, y)$

*



$h(x, y)$

=



$f(x, y)$

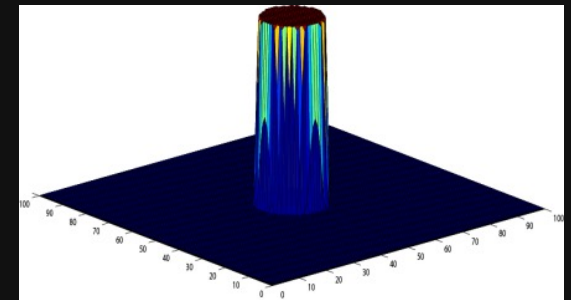
...Defocus is **linear** and **shift invariant**, and therefore can be expressed as a **convolution**.

Point Spread Function (PSF)

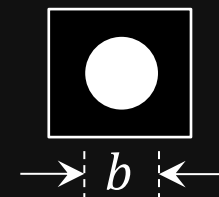
Point Spread Function (PSF): The response of a camera system to a point source (an impulse signal).

Pillbox (Disk) PSF:

$$h(x, y) = \begin{cases} 4/\pi b^2, & x^2 + y^2 \leq b^2/4 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



$h(x, y)$

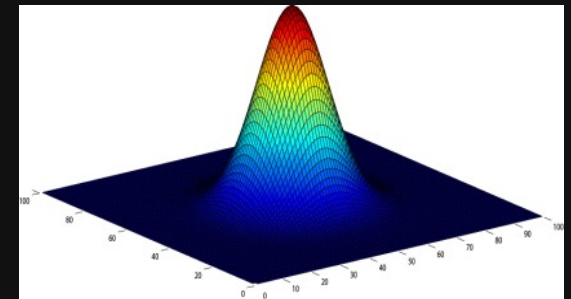


Point Spread Function (PSF)

In practice, due to optical diffraction, lens aberration, and image sampling issues, the PSF often appears like a Gaussian function.

Gaussian PSF:

$$h(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2\sigma^2}}$$



$h(x, y)$



$\sigma = b/2$

(approximation)

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Captured image

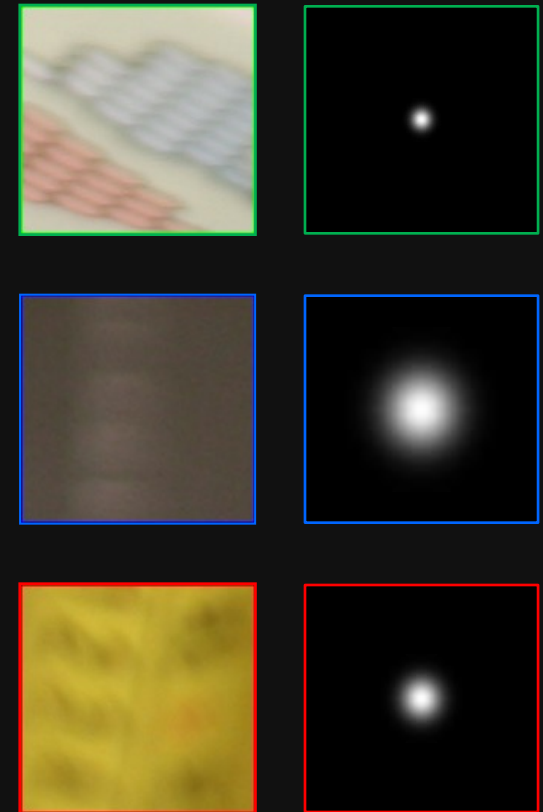


Image
Patches

PSFs

Depth from Defocus

Can we estimate blur size from a single image?



Scene
 $f(x, y)$

*



Defocus PSF
 $h(x, y)$

=



Image Patch
 $g(x, y)$

Impossible: One equation, two unknowns

Depth from Defocus

What if we have two images with different defocus?



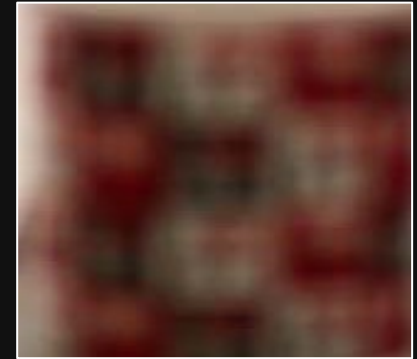
$f(x, y)$

*



$h_{\sigma_1}(x, y)$

=



$g_1(x, y)$



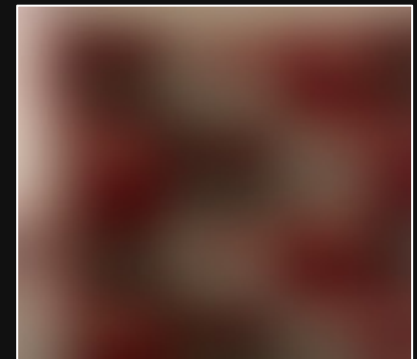
$f(x, y)$

*



$h_{\sigma_2}(x, y)$

=

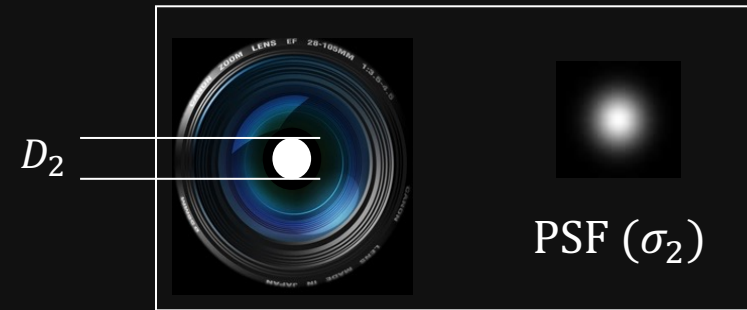


$g_2(x, y)$

Two equations, three unknowns

The Third Equation

If the two images were taken with different aperture sizes, then their blur sizes are related.



Blur circles: $b_1 = D_1 \left| 1 - \frac{s}{i} \right|$
 $\sigma_1 = b_1/2$

$b_2 = D_2 \left| 1 - \frac{s}{i} \right|$
 $\sigma_2 = b_2/2$

$$\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} = \frac{D_1}{D_2}$$

Depth from Defocus

For each image patch we have:

Three unknowns



$f(x, y)$



σ_1



σ_2

Three equations:

$$g_1(x, y) = f(x, y) * h_{\sigma_1}(x, y)$$

$$g_2(x, y) = f(x, y) * h_{\sigma_2}(x, y)$$

$$\sigma_1/\sigma_2 = D_1/D_2$$

Or, in Fourier Domain:

$$G_1(u, v) = F(u, v) \times H_{\sigma_1}(u, v)$$

$$G_2(u, v) = F(u, v) \times H_{\sigma_2}(u, v)$$

$$\sigma_1/\sigma_2 = D_1/D_2$$

A Naïve DFD Algorithm

Cancel out $F(u, v)$:

$$\frac{G_1(u, v)}{G_2(u, v)} = \frac{F(u, v) \times H_{\sigma_1}(u, v)}{F(u, v) \times H_{\sigma_2}(u, v)} = \frac{H_{\sigma_1}(u, v)}{H_{\sigma_2}(u, v)}$$

Substitute for $H_{\sigma_1}(u, v)$ and $H_{\sigma_2}(u, v)$:

$$\frac{G_1(u, v)}{G_2(u, v)} = \frac{\exp(-2\pi^2(u^2 + v^2)\sigma_1^2)}{\exp(-2\pi^2(u^2 + v^2)\sigma_2^2)}$$

Taking the natural logarithm on both sides,

$$\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_2^2 = \frac{\ln G_2(u, v) - \ln G_1(u, v)}{2\pi^2(u^2 + v^2)} \rightarrow \text{Sensitive to noise making the solution unstable}$$
$$\sigma_1/\sigma_2 = D_1/D_2$$

Solve the above to get σ_1 and σ_2 .

Reconstruction-Based DFD Algorithm

Find $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, f(x, y))$ that minimizes the **Reconstruction Error**:

$$E(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, f) = \|g_1 - (h_{\sigma_1} * f)\|^2 + \|g_2 - (h_{\sigma_2} * f)\|^2$$

We know that $\sigma_2 = \sigma_1 D_2/D_1$

We can rewrite E as a 2-variable function:

$$E(\sigma_1, f) = \|g_1 - (h_{\sigma_1} * f)\|^2 + \|g_2 - (h_{(\sigma_1 D_2/D_1)} * f)\|^2$$

(σ_1, f) can be found using: $\frac{\partial E}{\partial \sigma_1} = 0$ and $\frac{\partial E}{\partial f} = 0$

Computing Depth From Defocus

Determine $(\sigma_1, f(x, y))$ for each patch in the image.

Using $(\sigma_1, f(x, y))$ compute the size of blur circle:

$$b_1 = 2\sigma_1$$

Object distance:

$$o = \frac{s_1 f}{s_1 - f - b_1(f/D)}$$

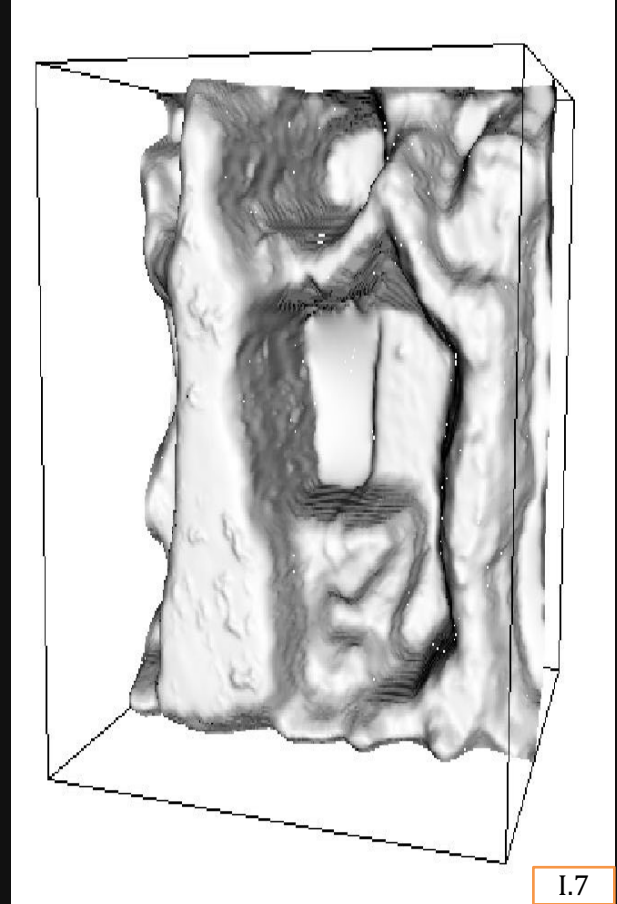
Depth from Defocus: Result



Focused at
the far end



Focused at
the near end

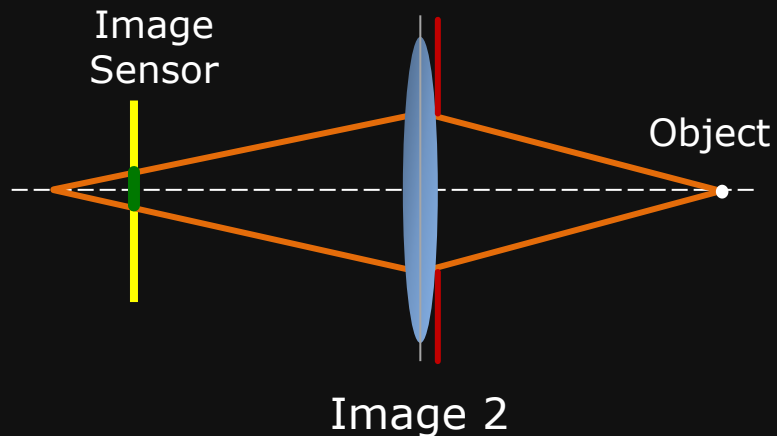
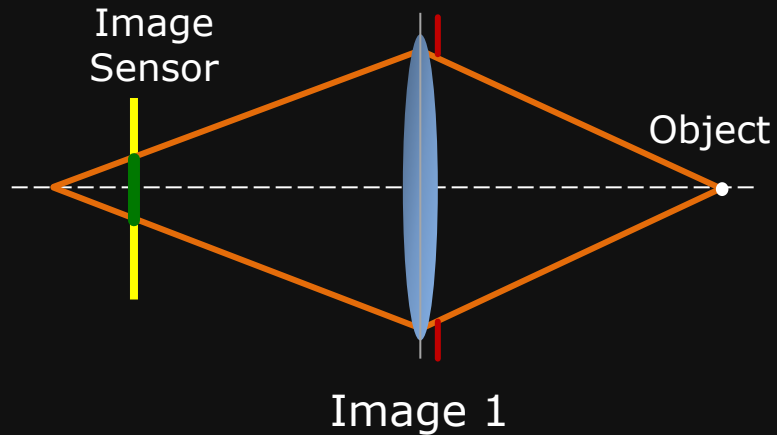


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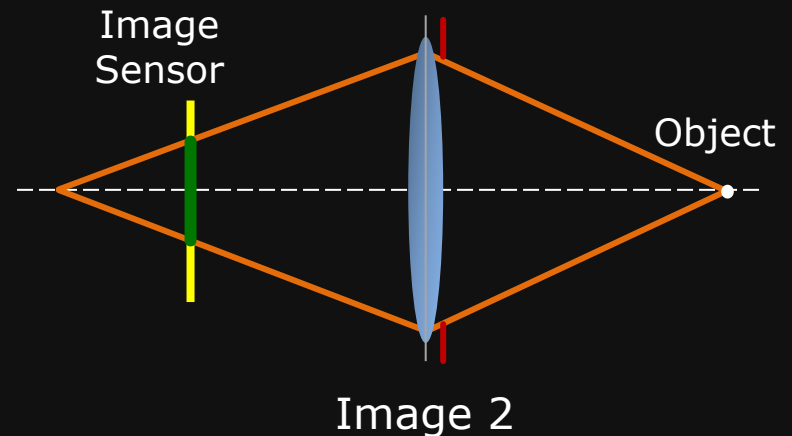
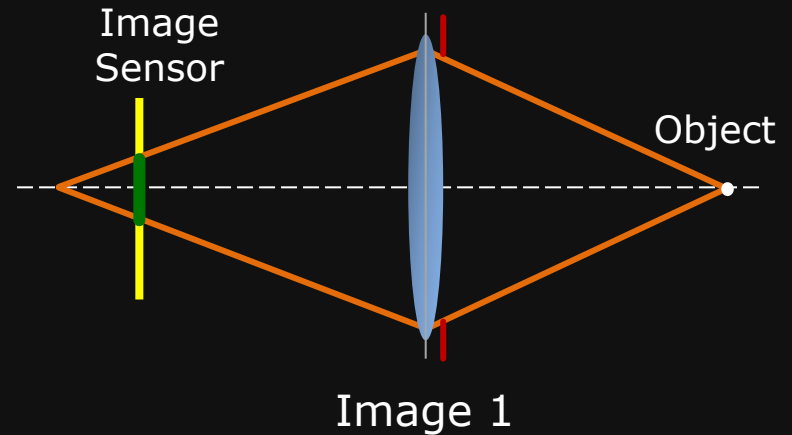
Estimated
3D shape

Capturing Defocused Images

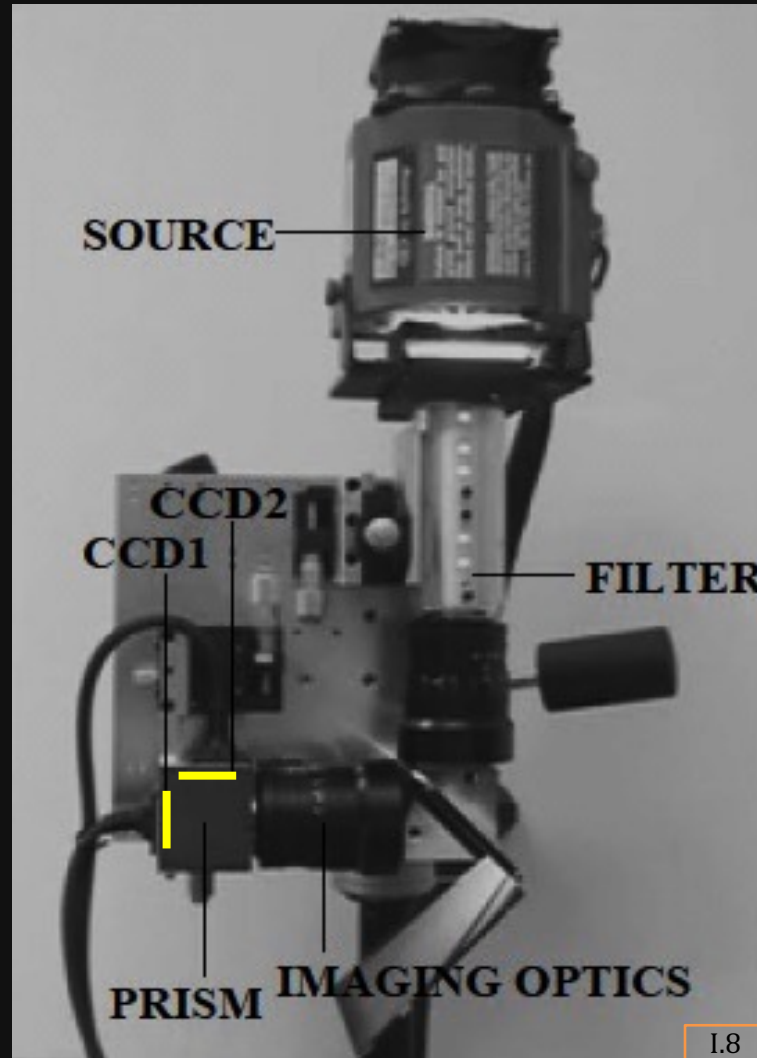
Method 1: Change Aperture



Method 2: Move Sensor



A Depth from Defocus (DFD) System



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Real-Time Depth from Defocus System
(uses a fine illumination pattern to ensure texture)

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