

Advanced Image Processing

Cameras, Light and Color



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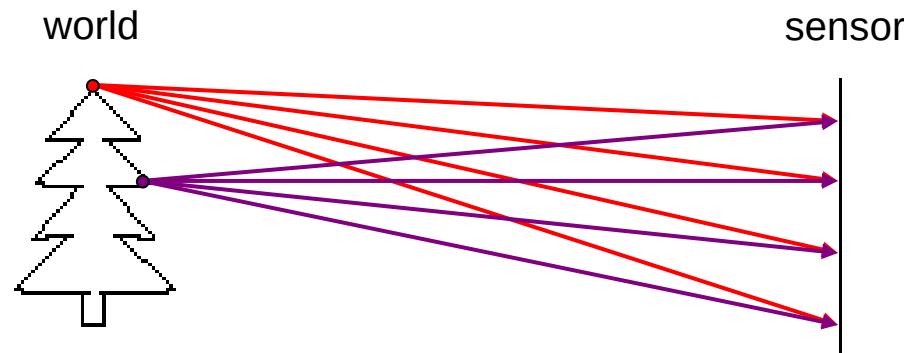
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The Image formation process: Part 1 - Geometry

Let's design a camera

Idea 1: Put a sensor in front of an object
Do we get a reasonable image?

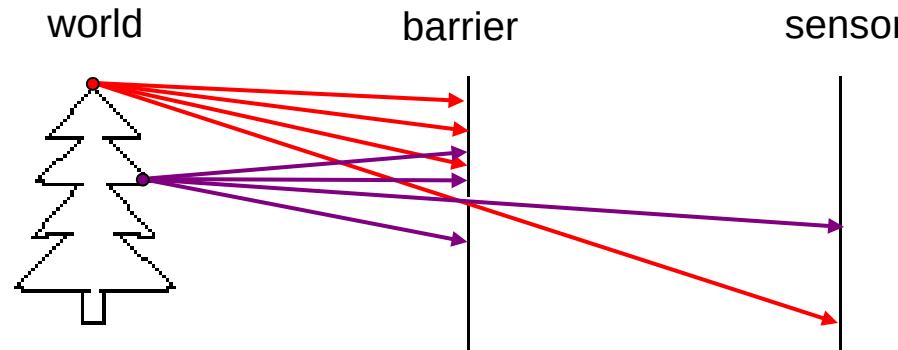


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Let's design a camera

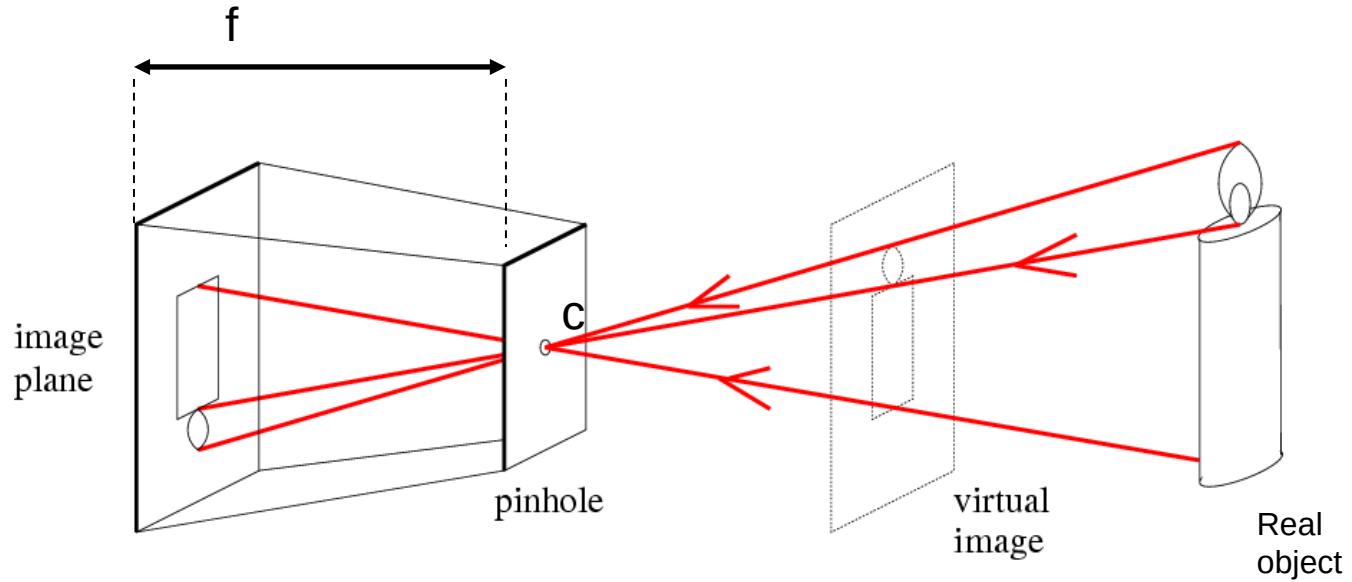
Idea 2: Add a barrier to block most rays

- Pinhole in barrier
- Only sense light from one direction.
 - Reduces blurring.
- In most cameras, this **aperture** can vary in size.



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Pinhole camera model

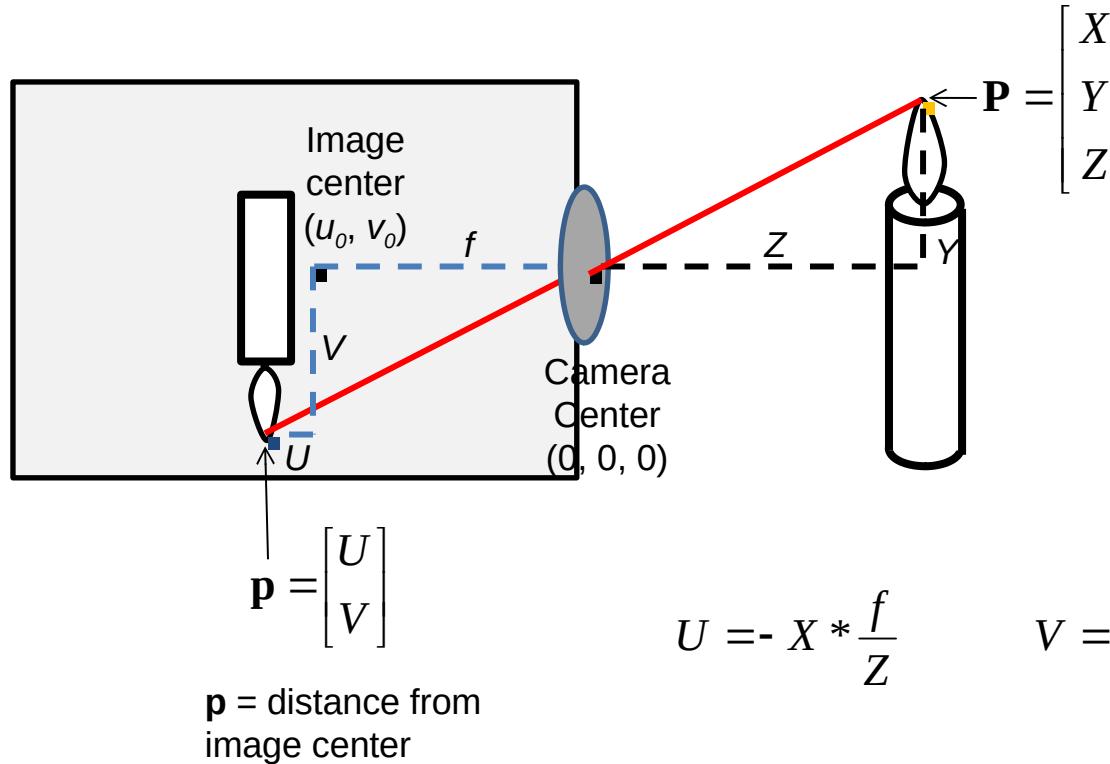


f = Focal length

c = Optical center of the camera

Figure from Forsyth

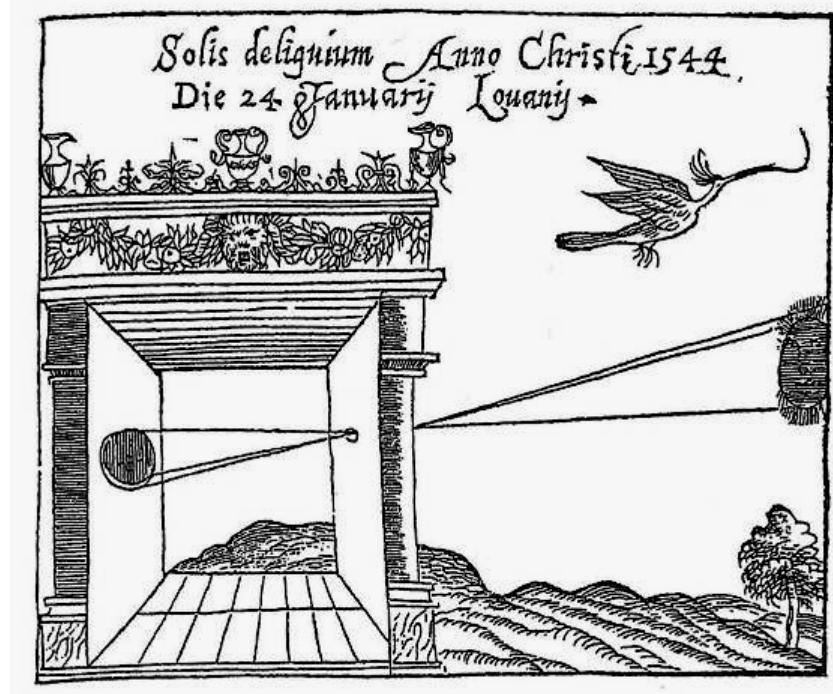
Projection: world coordinates \rightarrow image coordinates



What is the effect if f and Z are equal?

Camera Obscura

Camera Obscura, Gemma Frisius, 1558



The first camera

Known to Aristotle (300 B.C.) – inverted the image of the sun by passing sunlight through a pinhole

Depth of the room is the effective focal length

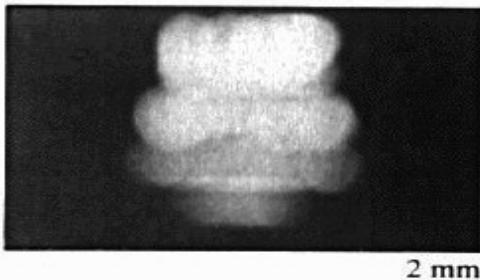
Home-made pinhole camera



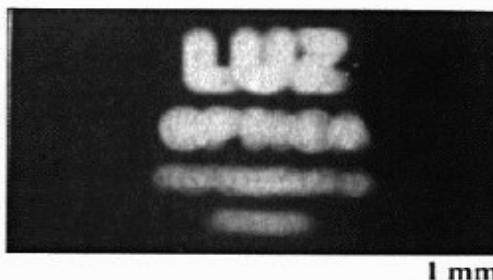
Why so
blurry?

<http://www.debevec.org/Pinhole/>

Shrinking the aperture



2 mm



1 mm



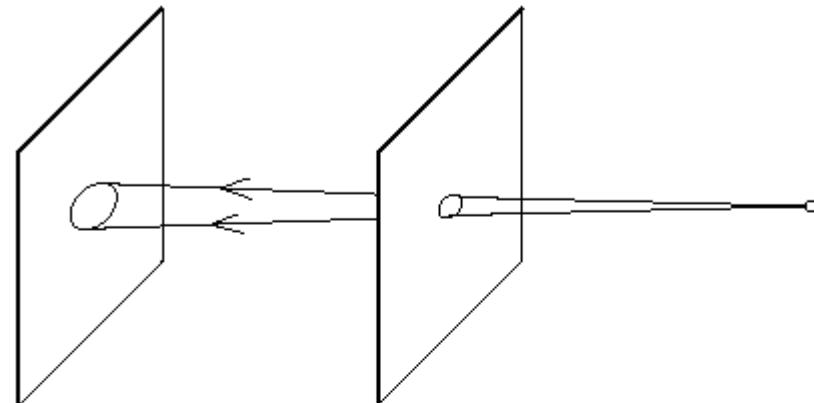
0.6mm



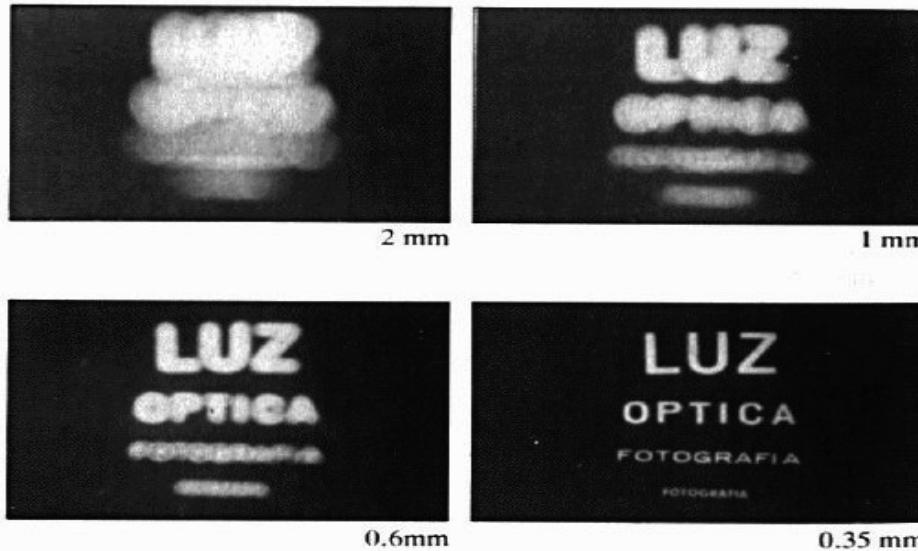
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Why not make my aperture tiny?

Integrate over fewer angles



Shrinking the aperture



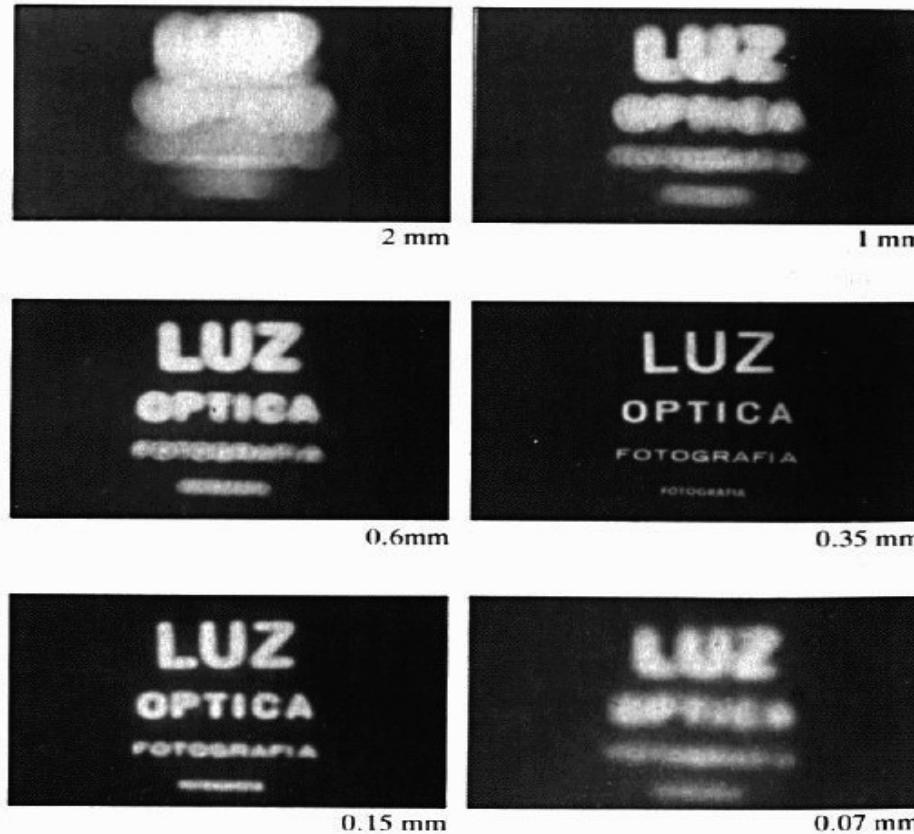
Less light gets through

Why not make the aperture as small as possible?

Less light gets through

Diffraction effects...

Shrinking the aperture - diffraction



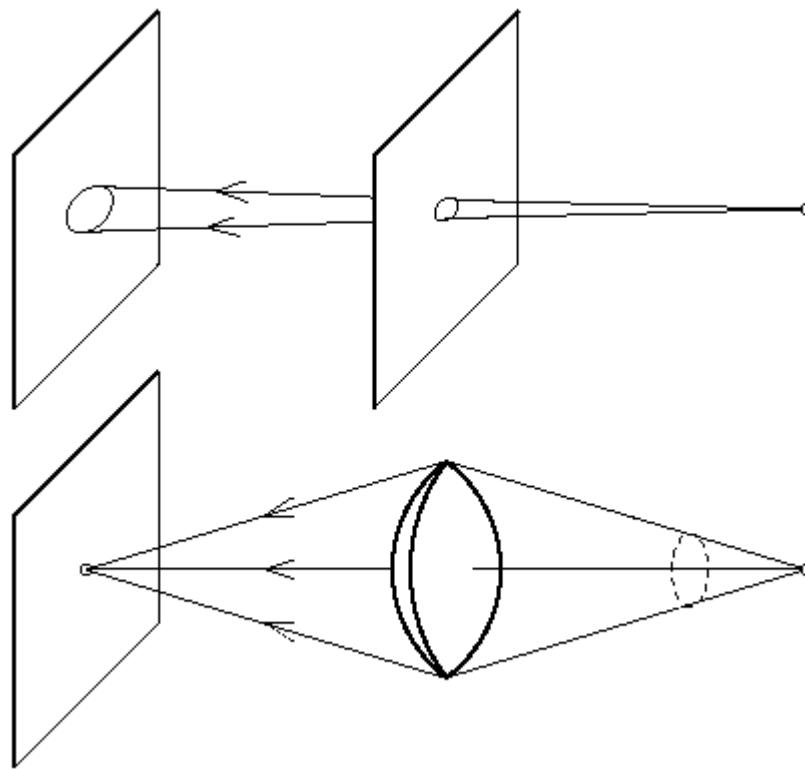
Light diffracts as wavelength of aperture equals wavelength of light

Shrinking the aperture - diffraction



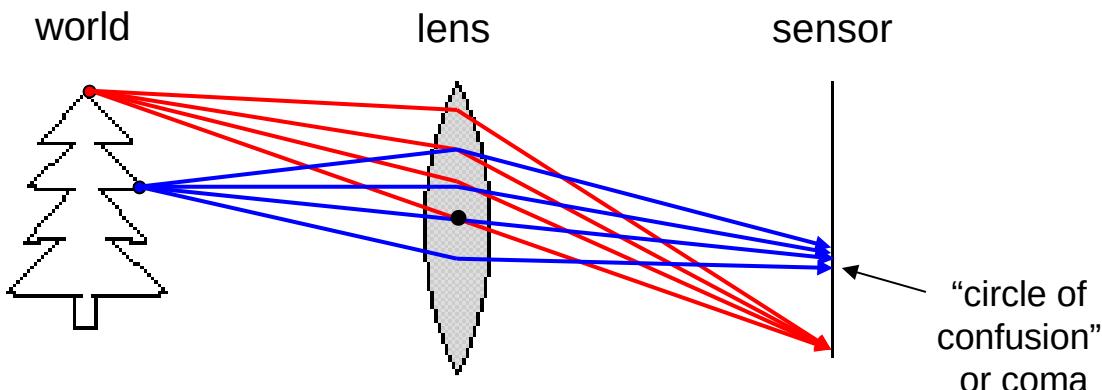
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The reason for lenses



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Focus and Defocus



A lens focuses light onto the film

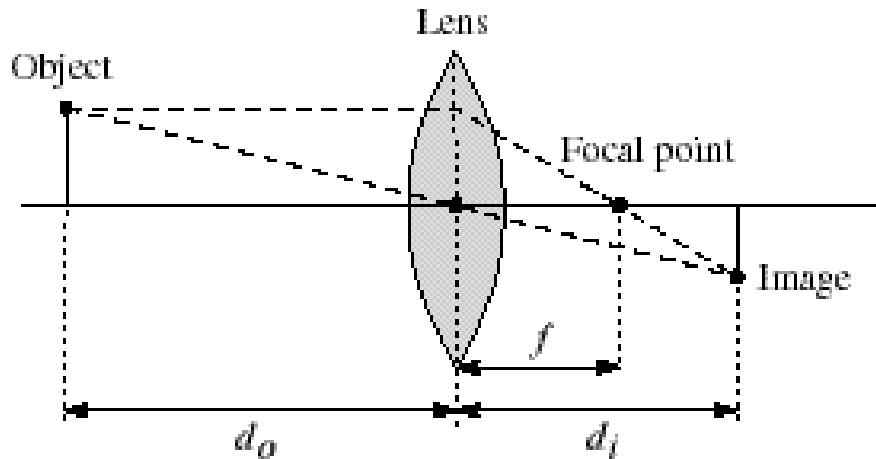
There is a specific distance at which objects are “in focus”

} other points project to a “circle of confusion” in
the image

Changing the shape of the lens changes this distance

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Thin lenses



Thin lens equation:

$$\frac{1}{d_o} + \frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{f}$$

Let's rearrange:

$$\frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{d_i} = \frac{1}{d_o}$$

Any object point satisfying this equation is in focus

What is the shape of the focus region?

How can we change the focus region?

Thin lens applet(doesn't work without adobe flash unfortunately):

<https://sites.google.com/site/marcllevoylectures/applets/operation-of-a-thin-lens>

(by Andrew Adams, Nora Willett, Marc Levoy)



Beyond Pinholes: Real apertures

Bokeh:



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Wikipedia]

Depth Of Field

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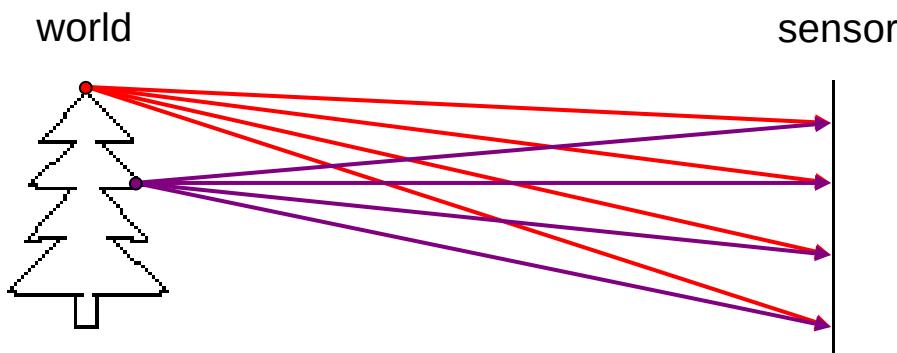
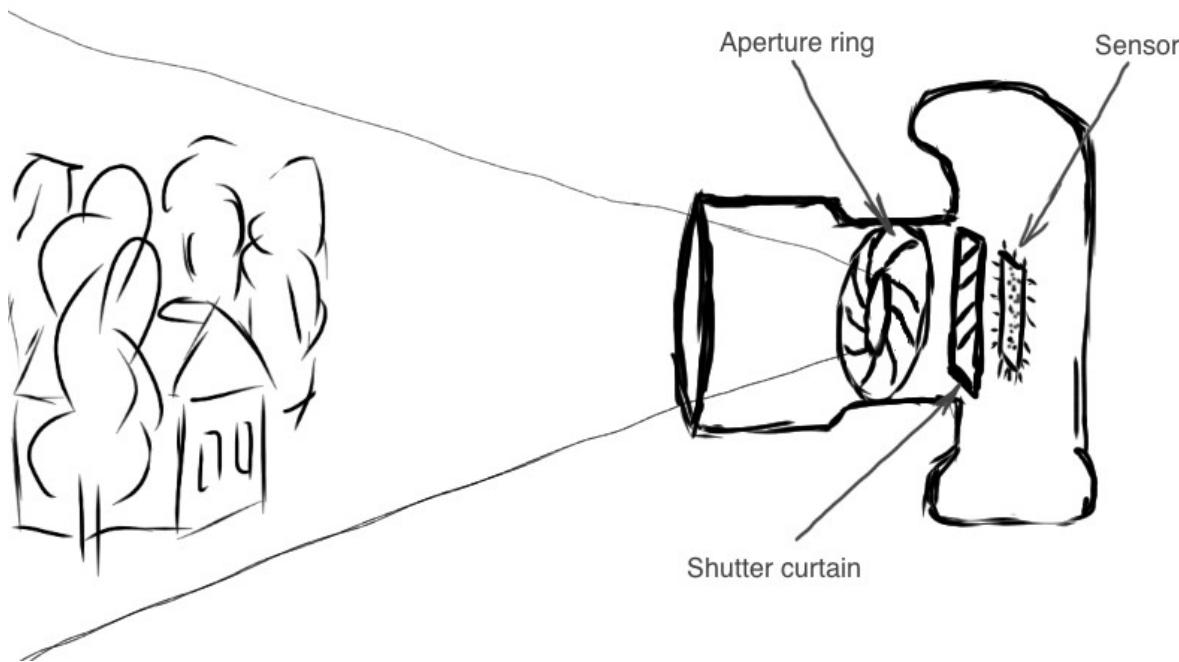


Depth of Field

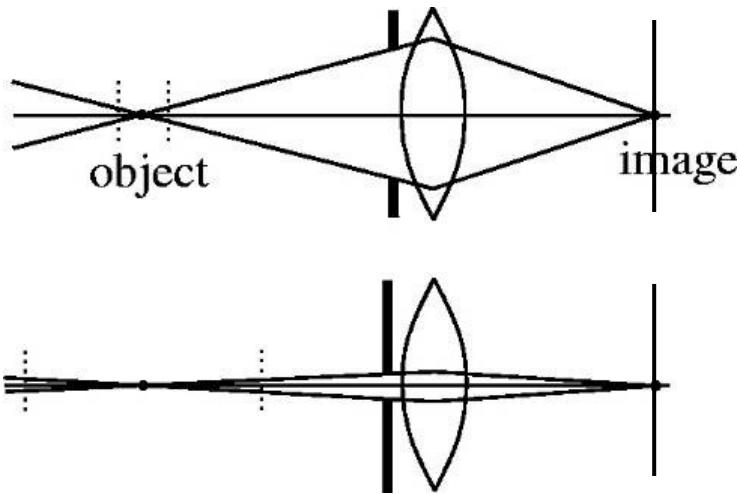


DEPTH OF FIELD
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Camera simplified anatomy



Aperture controls Depth of Field



Changing the aperture size affects depth of field

A smaller aperture increases the range in which the object is approximately in focus

But small aperture reduces amount of light – need to increase exposure

Varying the aperture

Large aperture = small DOF



Small aperture = large DOF

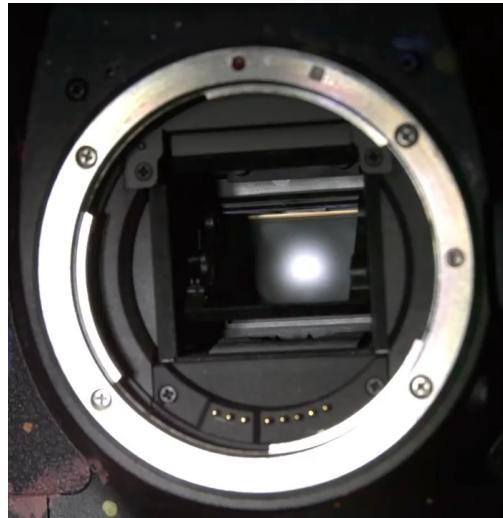


DSLR – Digital Single Lens Reflex Camera

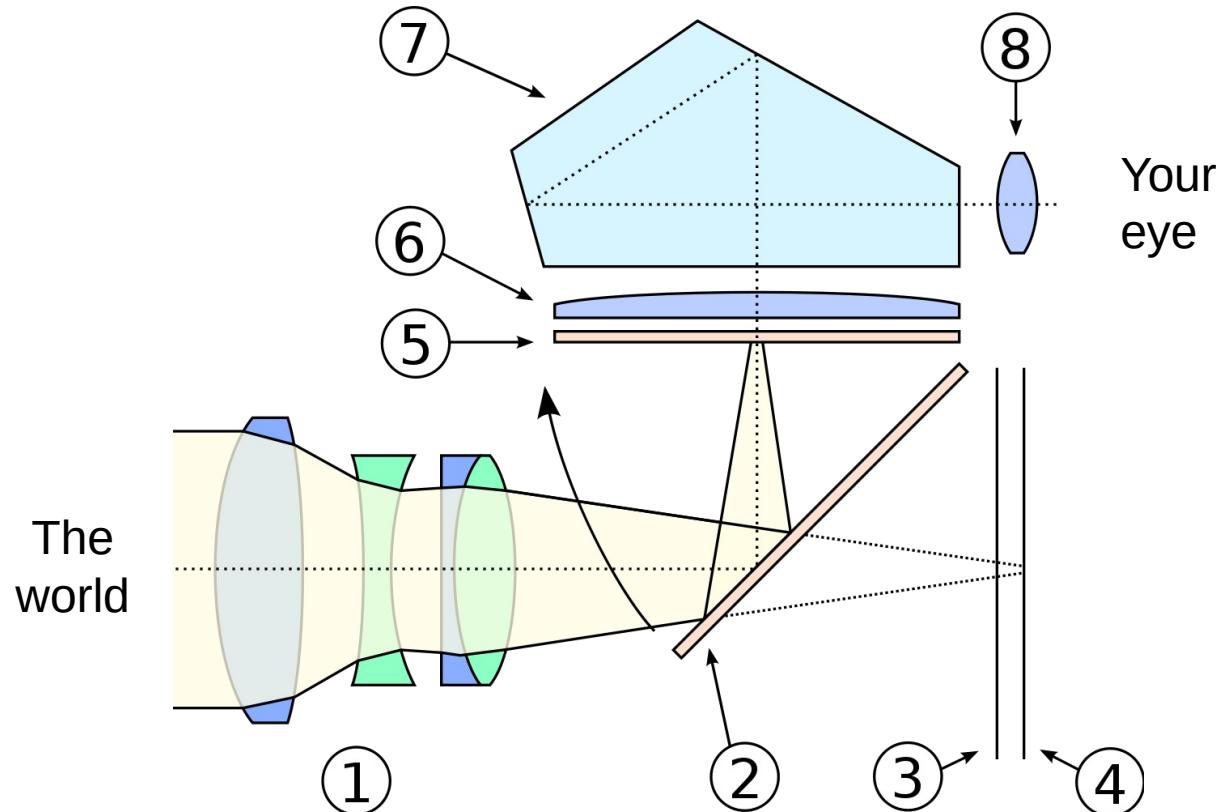


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“See what the main lens sees”

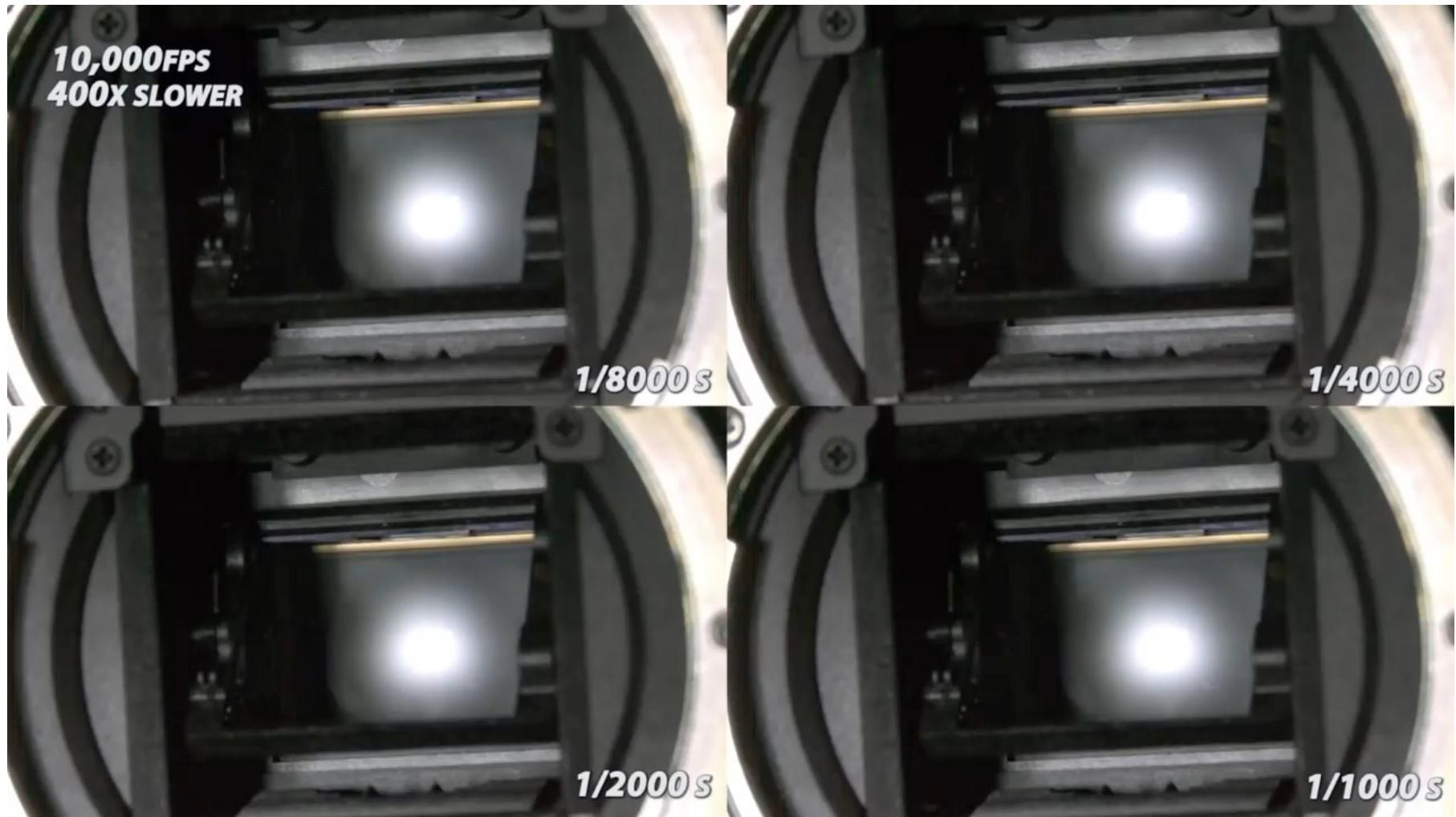


The
world



1. Objective (main) lens
2. Mirror
3. Shutter
4. Sensor
5. Mirror in raised position
6. Viewfinder focusing lens
7. Prism
8. Eye prescription lens

Shutters



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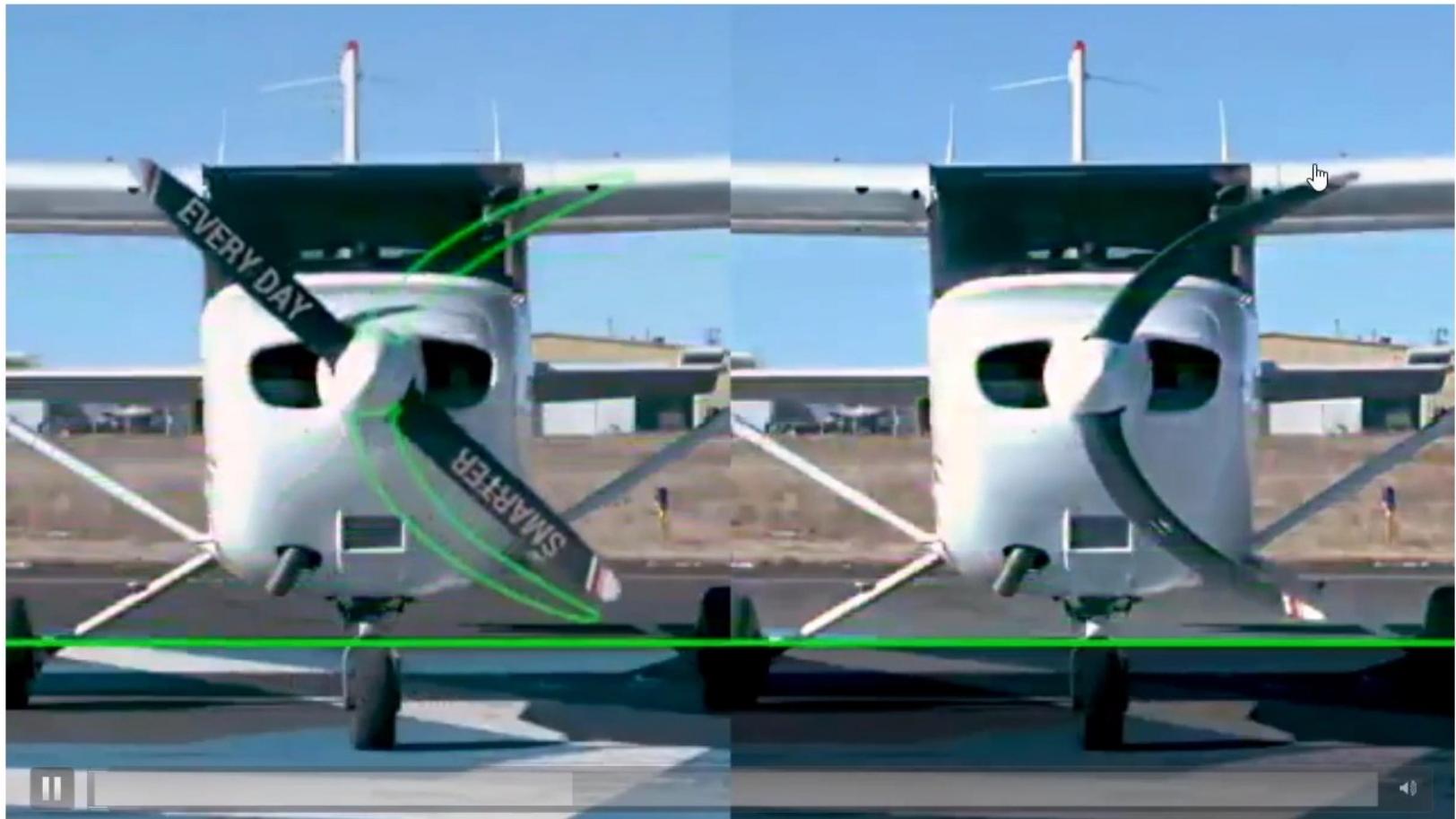


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Sensors: Rolling shutter vs. global shutter

Most modern cameras have purely digital shutters.

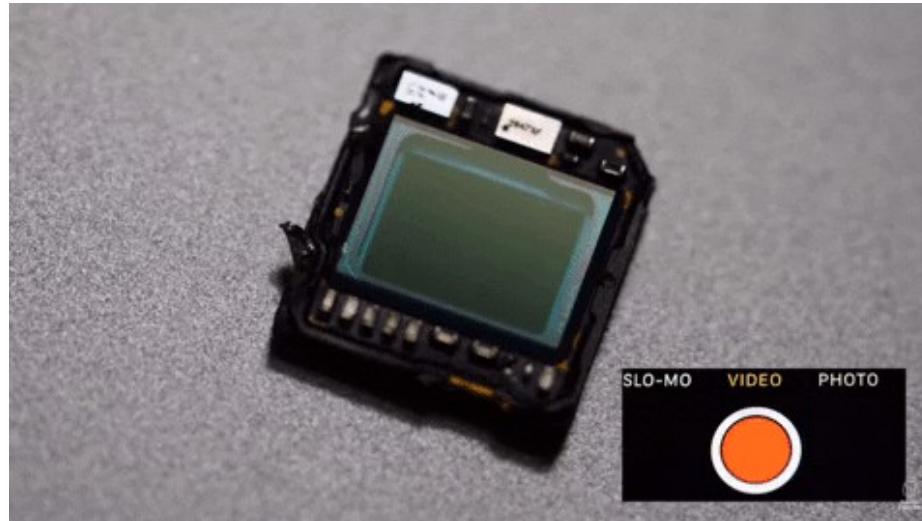


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Sensors: Rolling shutter vs. global shutter

Why not use Global Shutter always??

- Lower sensitivity
- Lower dynamic range
- Requires memory cells on the sensor
- Induces fixed pattern noise (especially with low light)
- Generates more heat (challenging calibration over time due to temp increase)

Sensor ISO

Analogue Photography:

ISO = old film terminology
= sensitivity to light

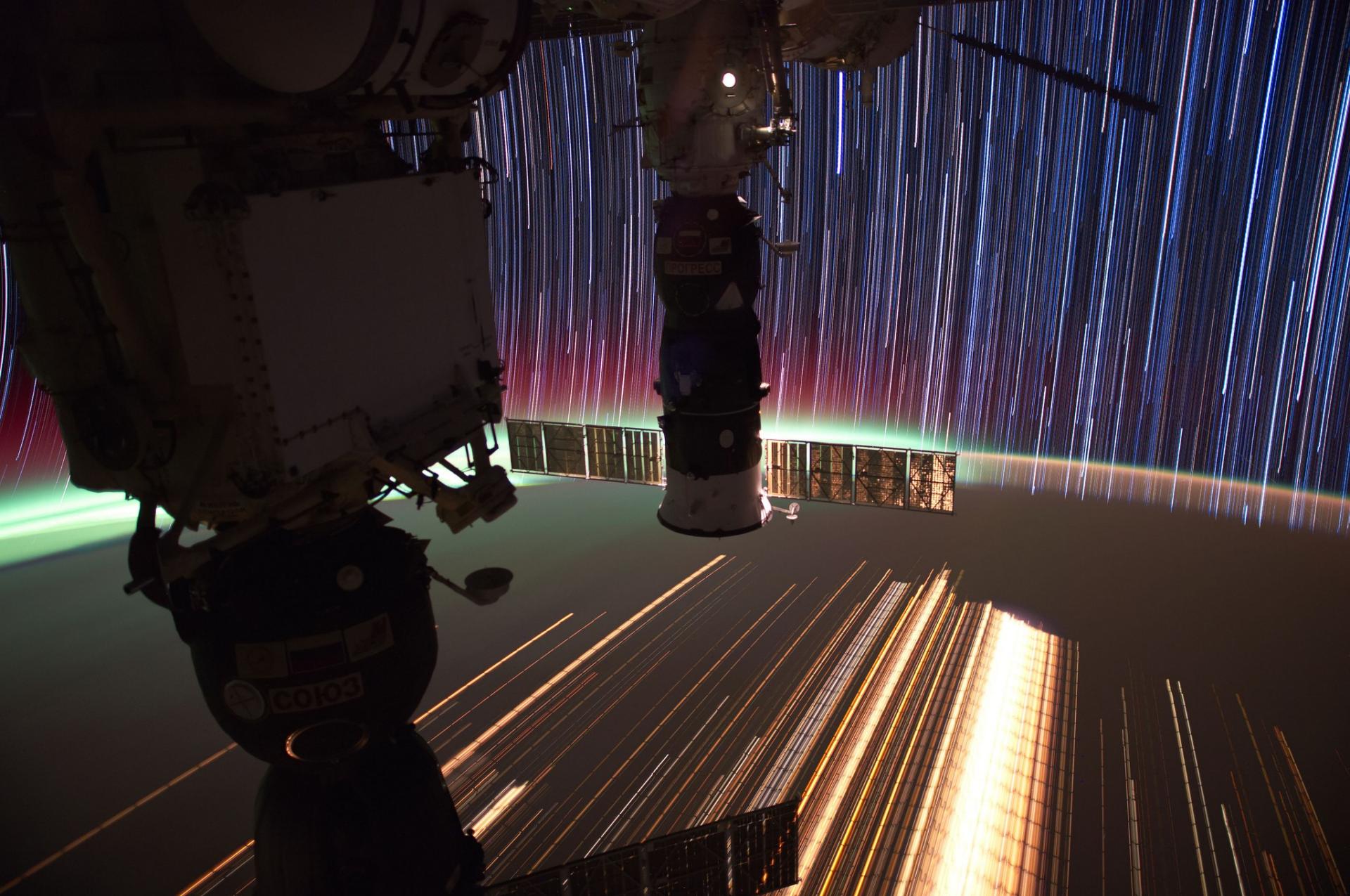
ISO 200 is twice as sensitive as ISO 100.

Digital Photography:

ISO = ‘gain’ or amplification of sensor signal



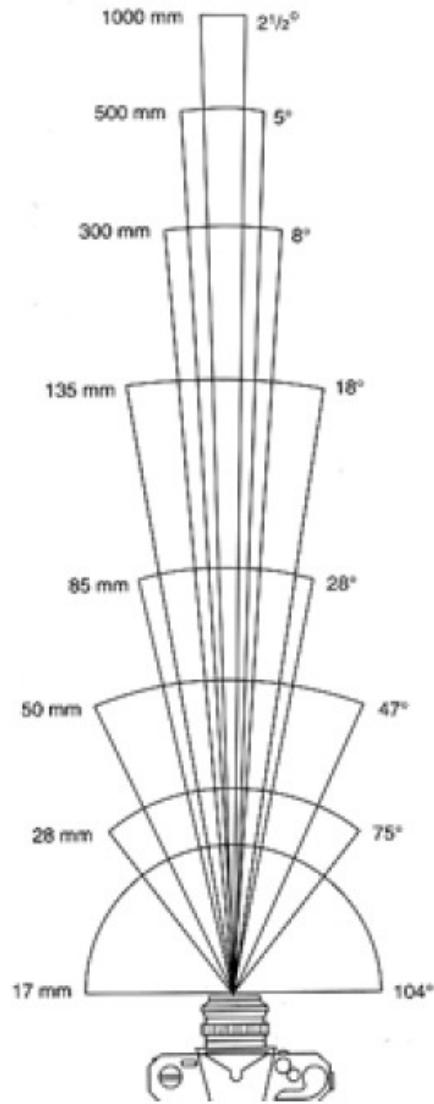
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Field of View (Zoom)

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17mm



28mm



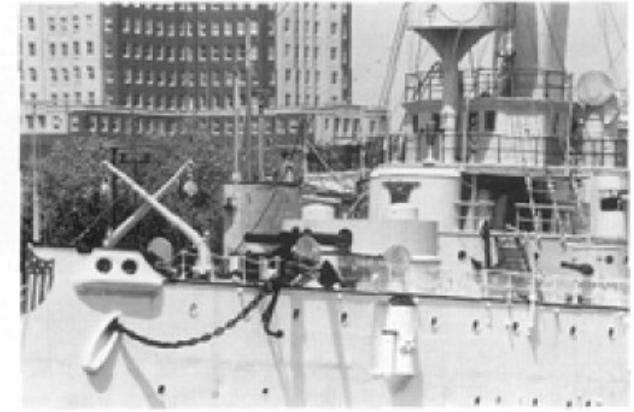
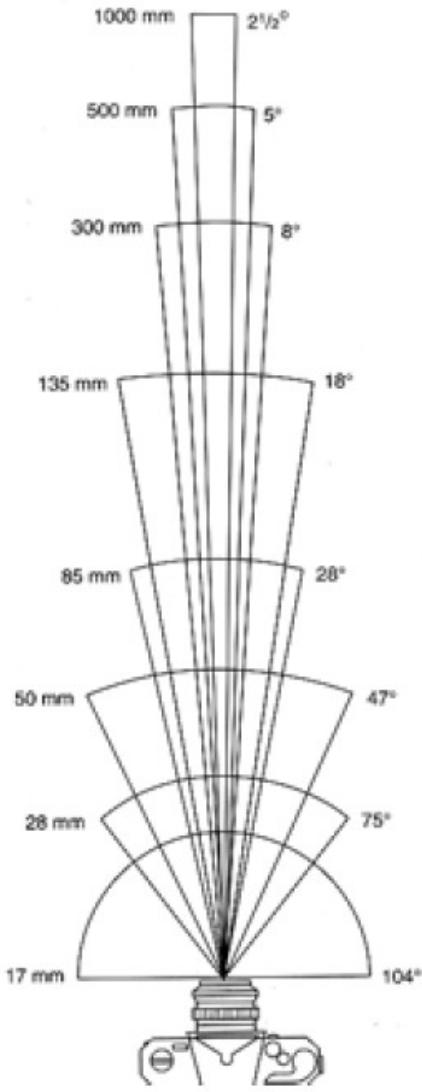
50mm



85mm

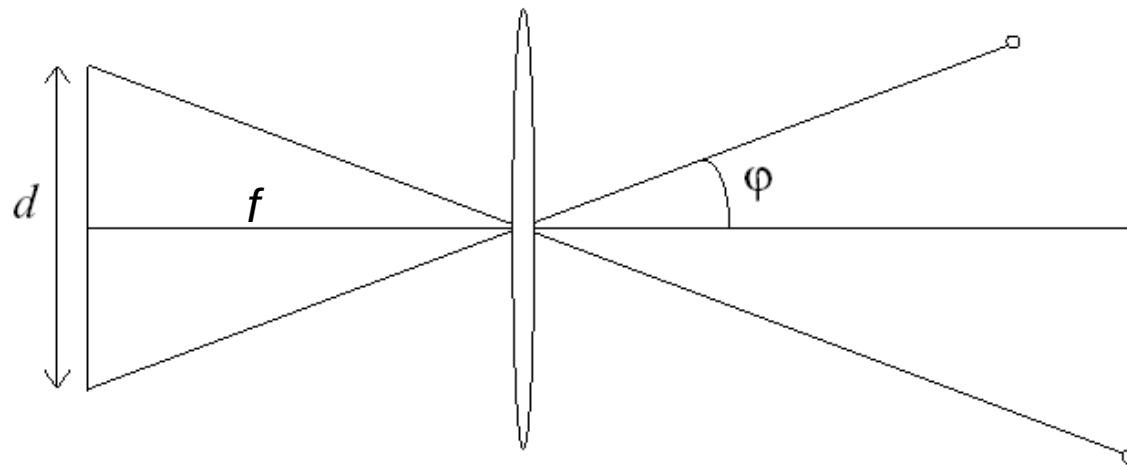
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Field of View (Zoom) = Cropping



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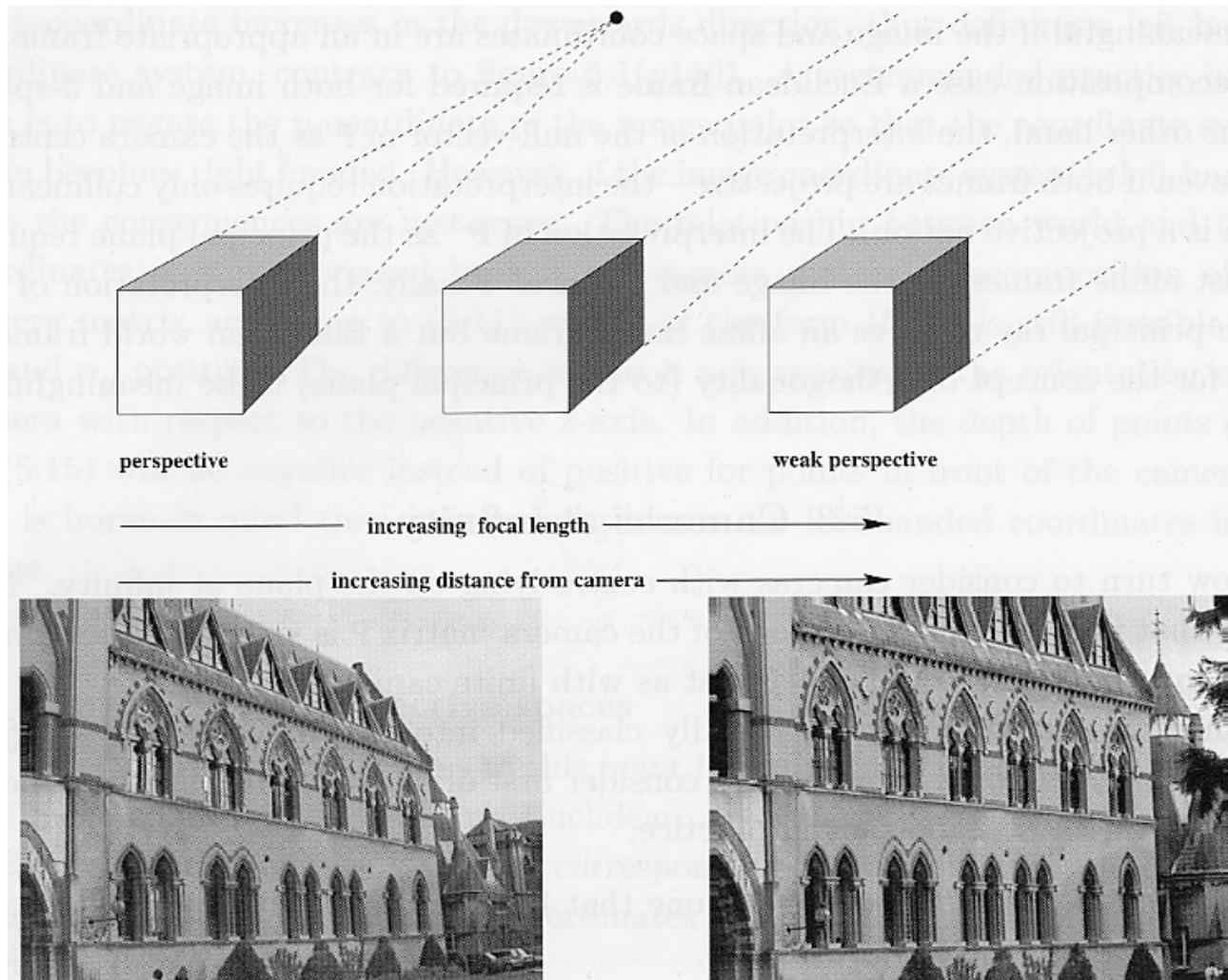
FOV depends of Focal Length



$$\varphi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{d}{2f}\right)$$

larger Focal Length = Smaller FOV

Effect on Perspective Geometry



Field of View / Focal Length



Large FOV, small f
Camera close to car



Small FOV, large f
Camera far from the car

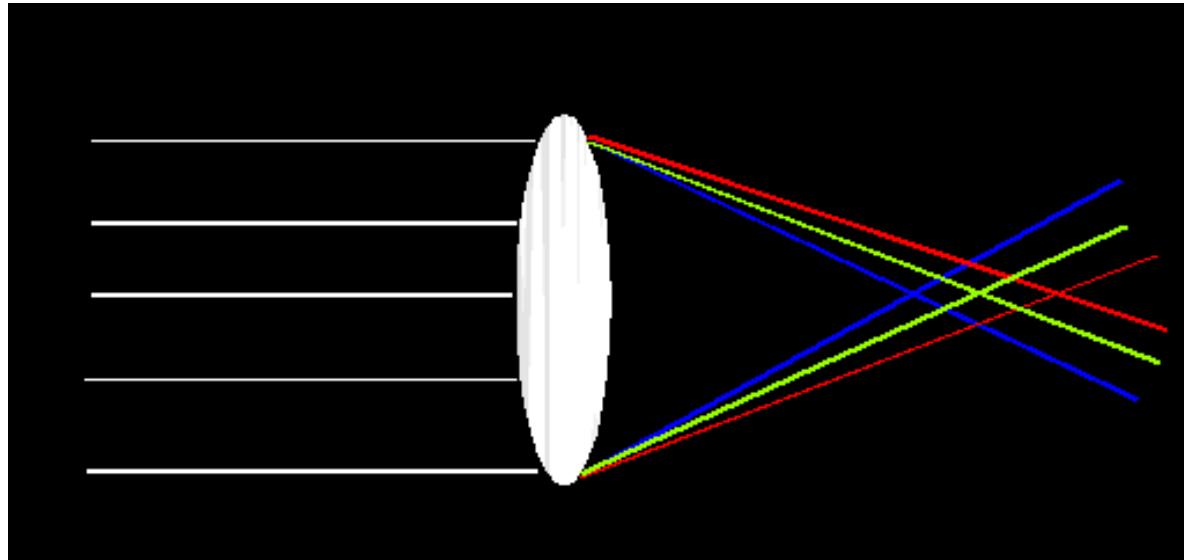
Lens Flaws

Lens Flaws: Chromatic Aberration

Dispersion: wavelength-dependent refractive index

(enables prism to spread white light beam into rainbow)

Modifies ray-bending and lens focal length: $f(\lambda)$



Color fringes near edges of image

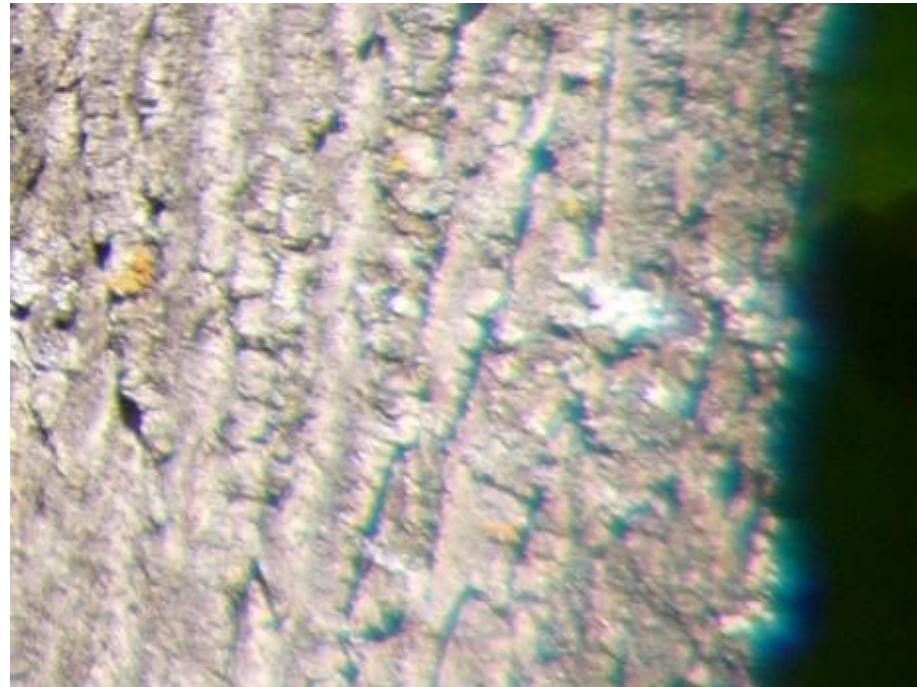
Corrections: add 'doublet' lens of flint glass, etc.

Chromatic Aberration

Near Lens Center

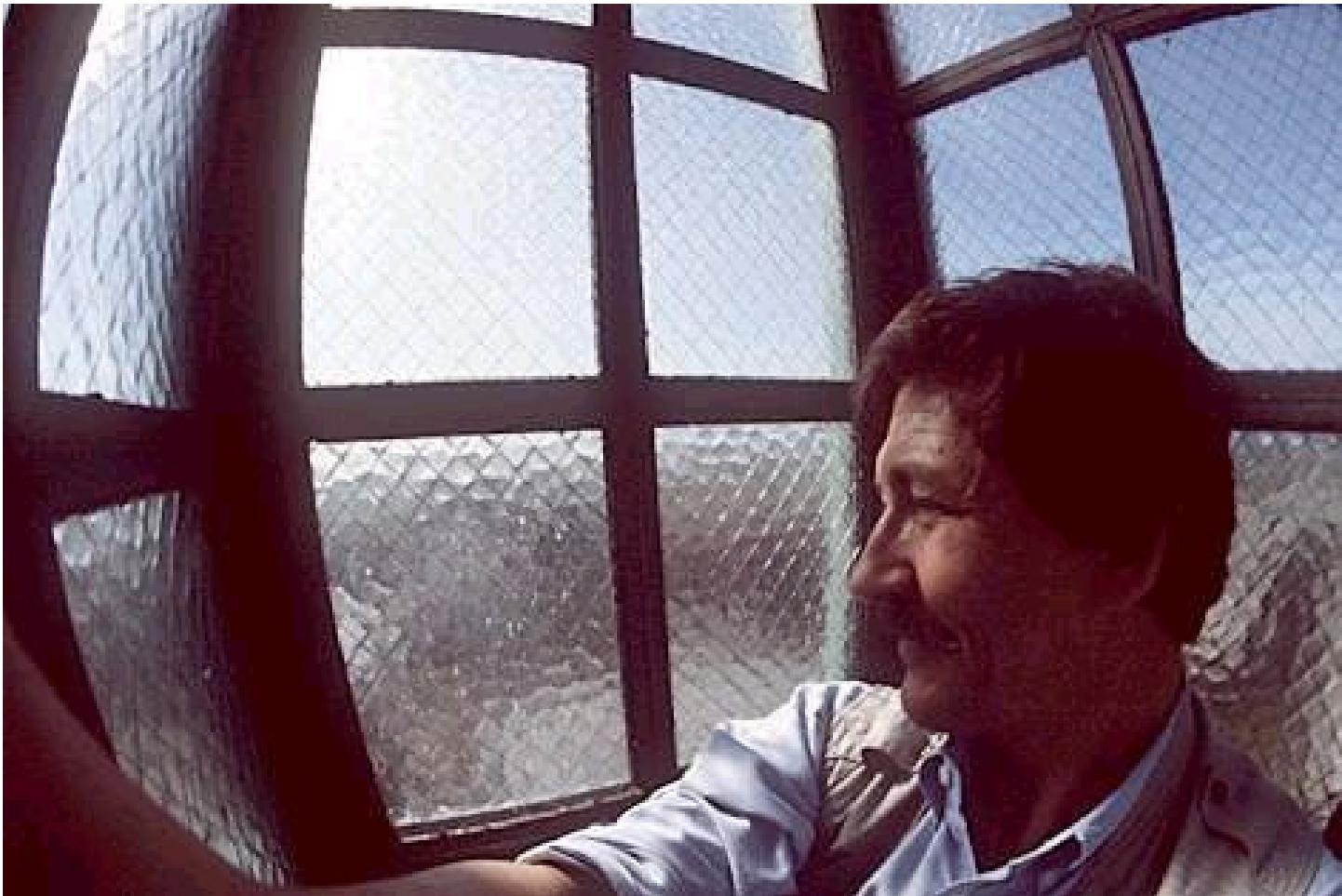


Near Lens Outer Edge

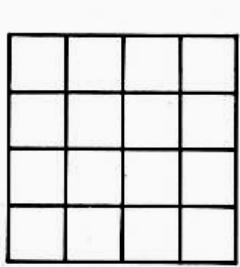


Radial Distortion (e.g. ‘barrel’ and ‘pin-cushion’)

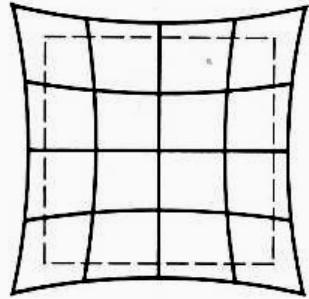
Straight lines curve around the image center



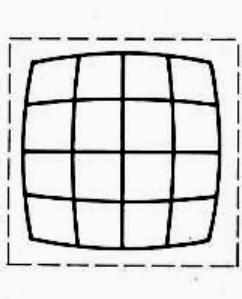
Radial Distortion



No distortion



Pin cushion

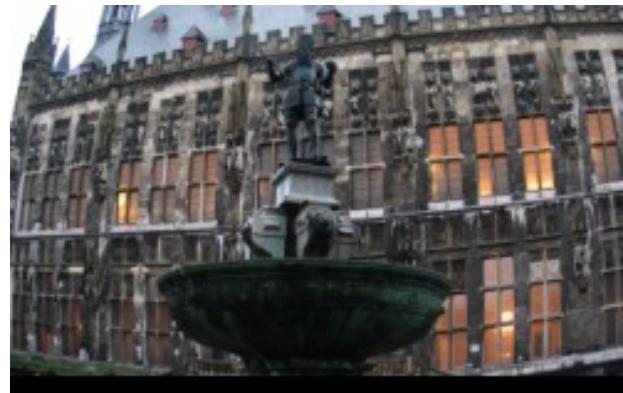


Barrel

Radial distortion of the image

Caused by imperfect lenses

Deviations are most noticeable for rays
that pass through the edge of the lens



Corrected Barrel Distortion

Image from Martin Habbecke

Vignetting

Optical system occludes rays entering at obtuse angles.

Causes darkening at edges.

'Old mode' - but WHY?

Computer-aided lens design (optimization) and manufacturing made removing (all) these flaws much easier.

