

Rendering in Game

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- High Dynamic Range Image (HDRI)
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- Image Space Rendering
- Image Effect Lab
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High Dynamic Range Image (HDRI)

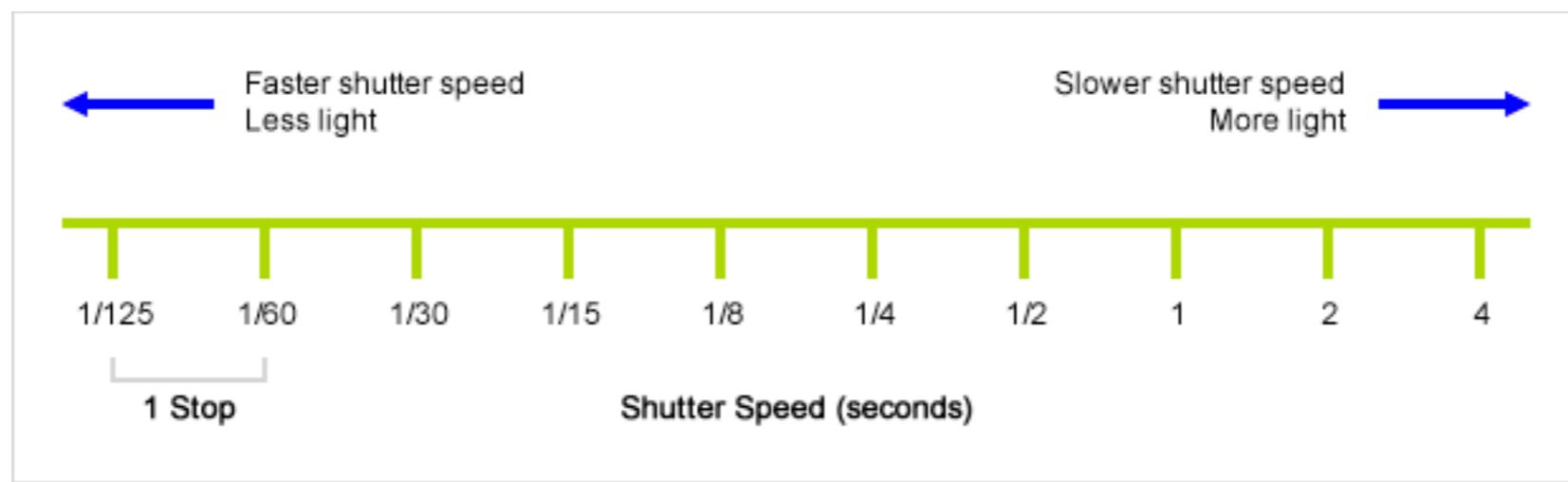
- High Definition (HD) vs High Dynamic Range (HDR)?
- Low Dynamic Range Image = 8 bits/channel
 - BMP (lossless), JPEG (lossy), etc.
- Exposure = amount of light capturing at a camera sensor which depending on:
 - Shutter Speed
 - Aperture
 - ISO Speed
- +1 Stop = capturing twice as much light from the previous stop



<http://www.toptechdaily.com/hdr->

Shutter Speed

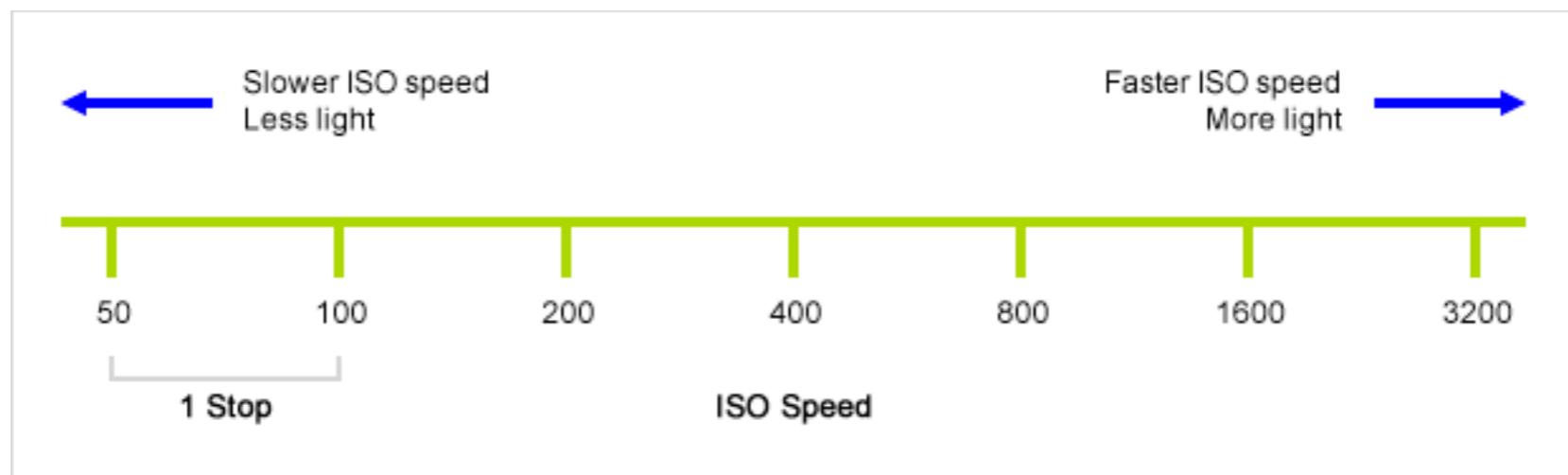
- How long your camera's shutter is left open
 - longer = more light
 - 1 stop = 2 x shutter speed



<http://www.photographymad.com/pages/view/what-is-a-stop-of-exposure-in-photography>

ISO Speed

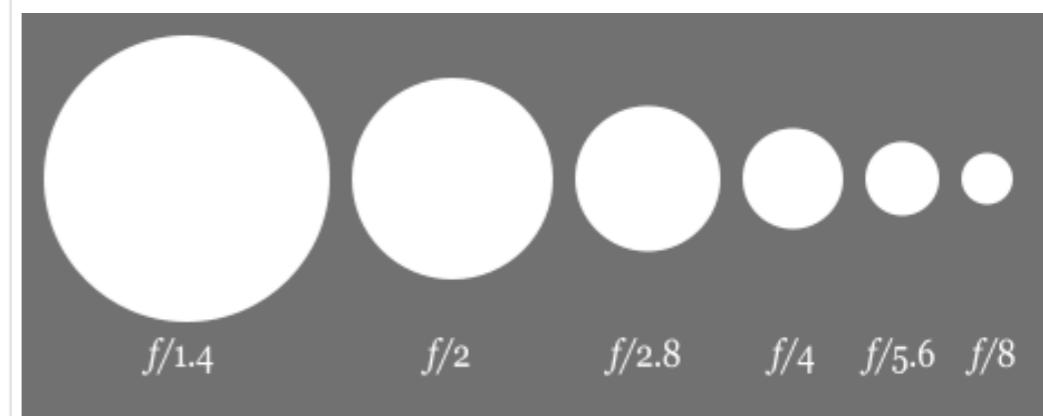
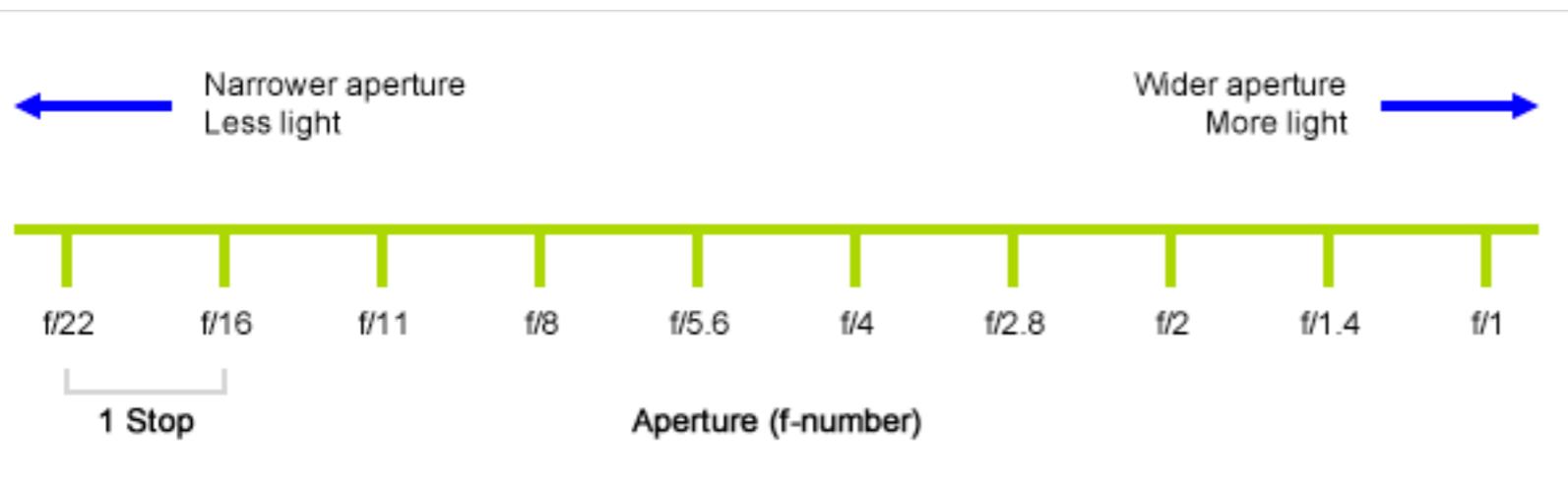
- Camera Sensor's Sensitivity to Light
 - Faster = more sensitive = more light captured
 - 1 stop = $2 \times$ ISO speed



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Aperture Diameter

- Camera's aperture diameter
 - Wider = more light
- f-number
 - f/N where N = focal length / aperture diameter
 - Lower N = Wider aperture diameter = More light
- 1 stop = twice area = $\sqrt{2}$ diameter



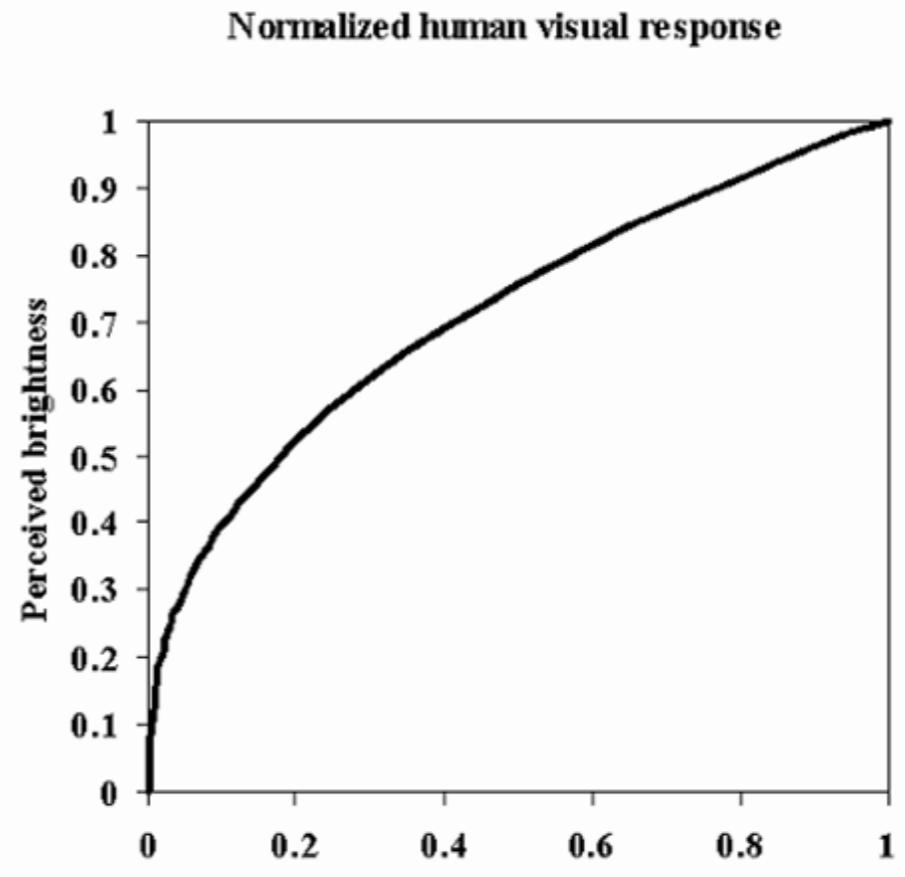
1 Stop

- Stop is used to compare these 3 components together
- Each component's stop in different result
 - Shutter Speed - blur
 - ISO - noise
 - Aperture - depth of field



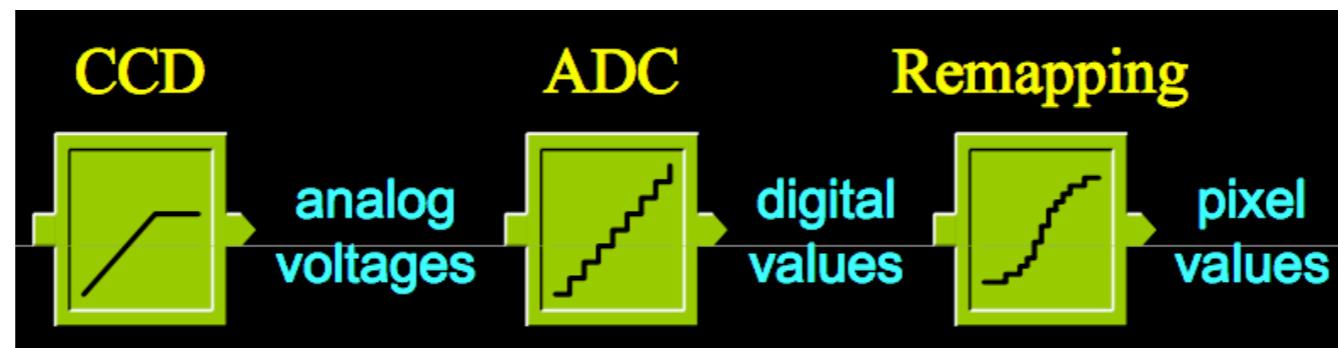
Dynamic Range

- Ratio between the brightest and darkest of the image
- Typical Natural Scene = 18 stops (200,000:1)
- Good digital camera can capture up to 10 stops (1,000:1): how?
 - By approximating eye/film response curve (non-linear)
 - Gamma Correction



The Response Curve

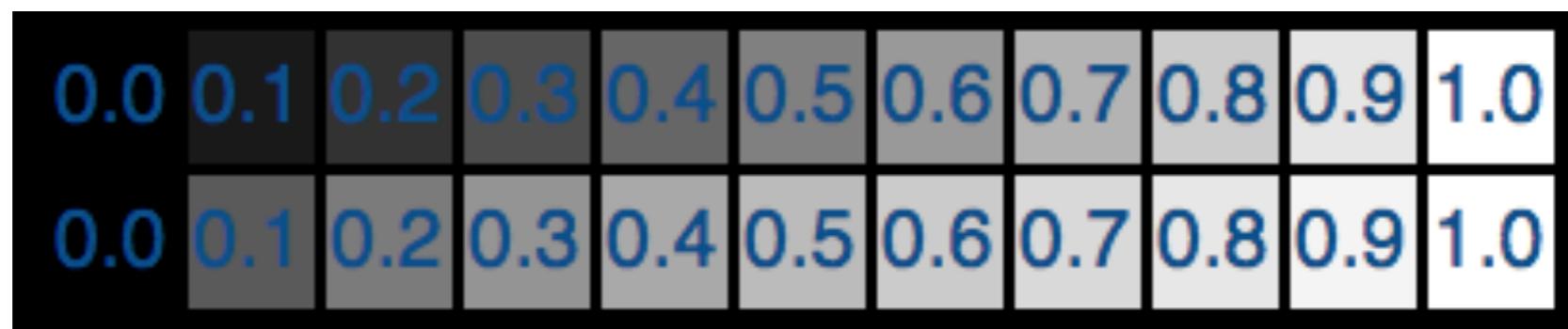
- Digital Camera = linear response to light originally
- Human eyes and Film Camera = nonlinear response
- So, digital camera tries to approximate this non-linear behavior
 - Many LDR images applied gamma correction to fix this before save it to JPEG, TIFF, etc. to save space
 - RAW images still linear (directly from camera sensor) = big file size
- Basically, the response curve of typical non-RAW digital camera is no longer linear!



Gamma Correction

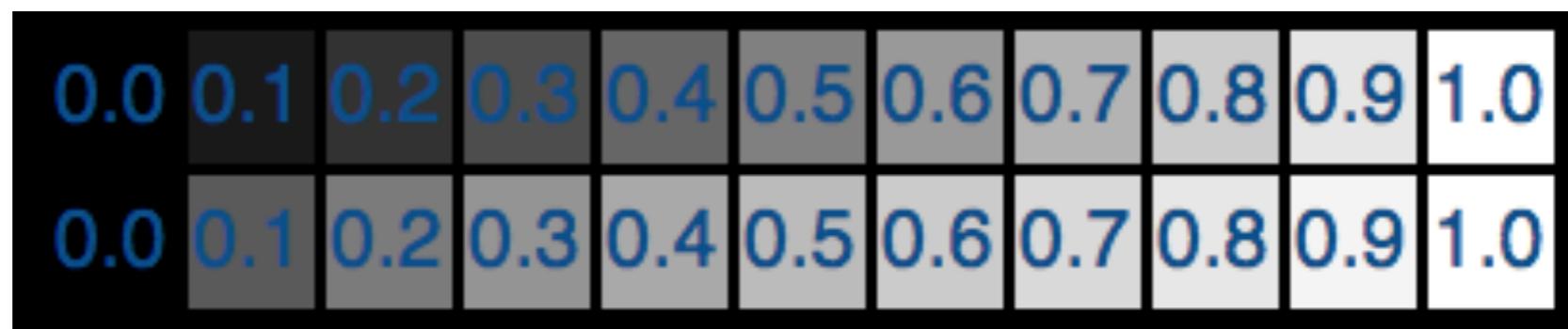
- Why we need Gamma Correction?
 - To store color intensity in 8 bits space efficiently because human eye perception is non-linear values
 - Arrange 8 bits wisely by using human eye perception knowledge
 - Stored intensity will no longer an actual value

Our eyes



(non-linear)

Actual Values



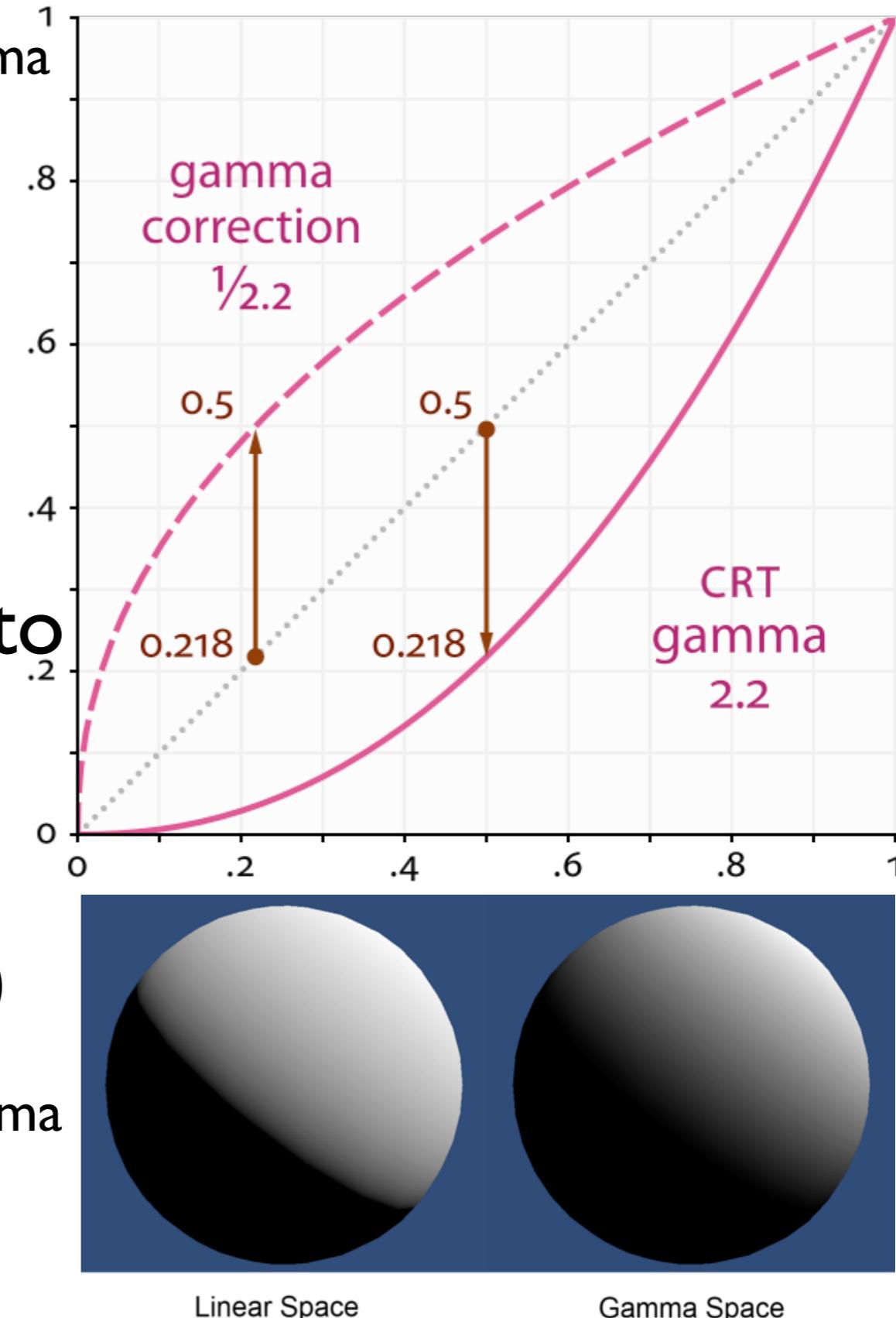
(linear)

From this example, from our eye, what actual value represents 0.5 (our eyes)?

So, how about we make this actual value as a middle value to be stored?

Gamma Correction

- Stored-Value = Real-Value $^{1/\text{gamma}}$
- Typically gamma value = 2.2
- E.g. To store 0.218 grey, it uses $0.218^{1/2.2} = 0.5$
- So, we have half of the storage to store 0 - 0.218 (dark values)
- And, we have another half to store 0.218 - 1.0 (bright values)
- Display-Value = Store-Value $^{\text{gamma}}$



Gamma Correction

- Gamma Correction helps human differentiate darker values better but will reduce the difference of brighter values (our eyes don't need that - really?)
- sRGB
 - Use more than 1 gamma values (each for each type of color value)
 - More information: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SRGB>



Original:



Encoded using only 32 levels (5 bits)

Linear
Encoding:

Gamma
Encoding:

Gamma
Encoding:

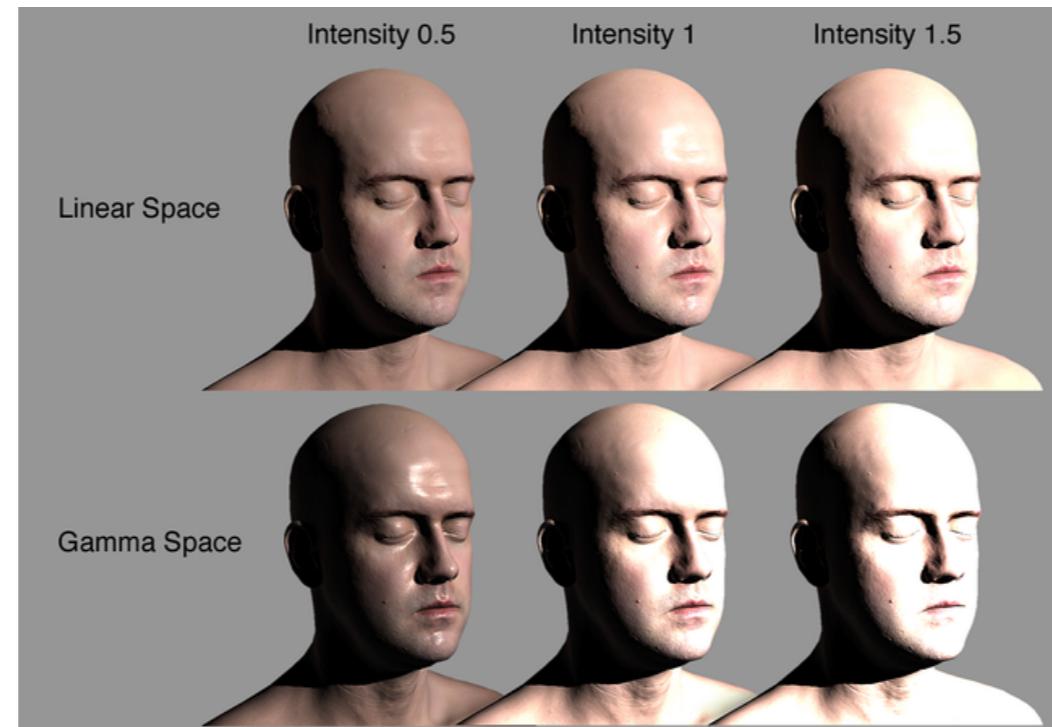
Monitor Test

- Monitor also makes use of our non-linear eye perception
- Here are the strip pattern of 0 (black) and 1 (white)
- Our eyes should blend the color to be 0.5 if the gamma correction of our monitor/projector is correctly set.
- On Mac, we can set gamma correction of the monitor by going to System Preferences -> Displays -> Color -> Calibrate



Problem with Gamma Correction

- How to present higher range colors in 1 picture? And more importantly how to interpolate the gamma corrected colors?
 - E.g. 0.5 gradually move to 1.5 (it will be super bright quickly)



- Many new devices can store a lot more information than 8 bits/channel already
 - For example, HDR image contains 32-64 bits/channel
- Why don't we use linear (real) value as is? = HDR

Unity Color Space

- Lighting calculation
 - Linear space
 - Gamma space
- Edit -> Project Settings -> Player -> Other Setting
- Need to check your target platform
 - Linear Color Space is NOT normally supported by some mobile hardwares
 - Wrong assumption leads to wrong color presentation



Dynamic Range in the Real World

<http://www.pauldebevec.com/>



Office interior

Indirect light from window

1/60th sec shutter

f/5.6 aperture

0 ND filters

0 dB gain

(Sony VX2000 video camera)

Dynamic Range in the Real World



Outside in the shade

1/1000th sec shutter

f/5.6 aperture

0 ND filters

0 dB gain

(Real scene = 16 times the light as inside)

Dynamic Range in the Real World



Outside in the sun

1/1000th sec shutter

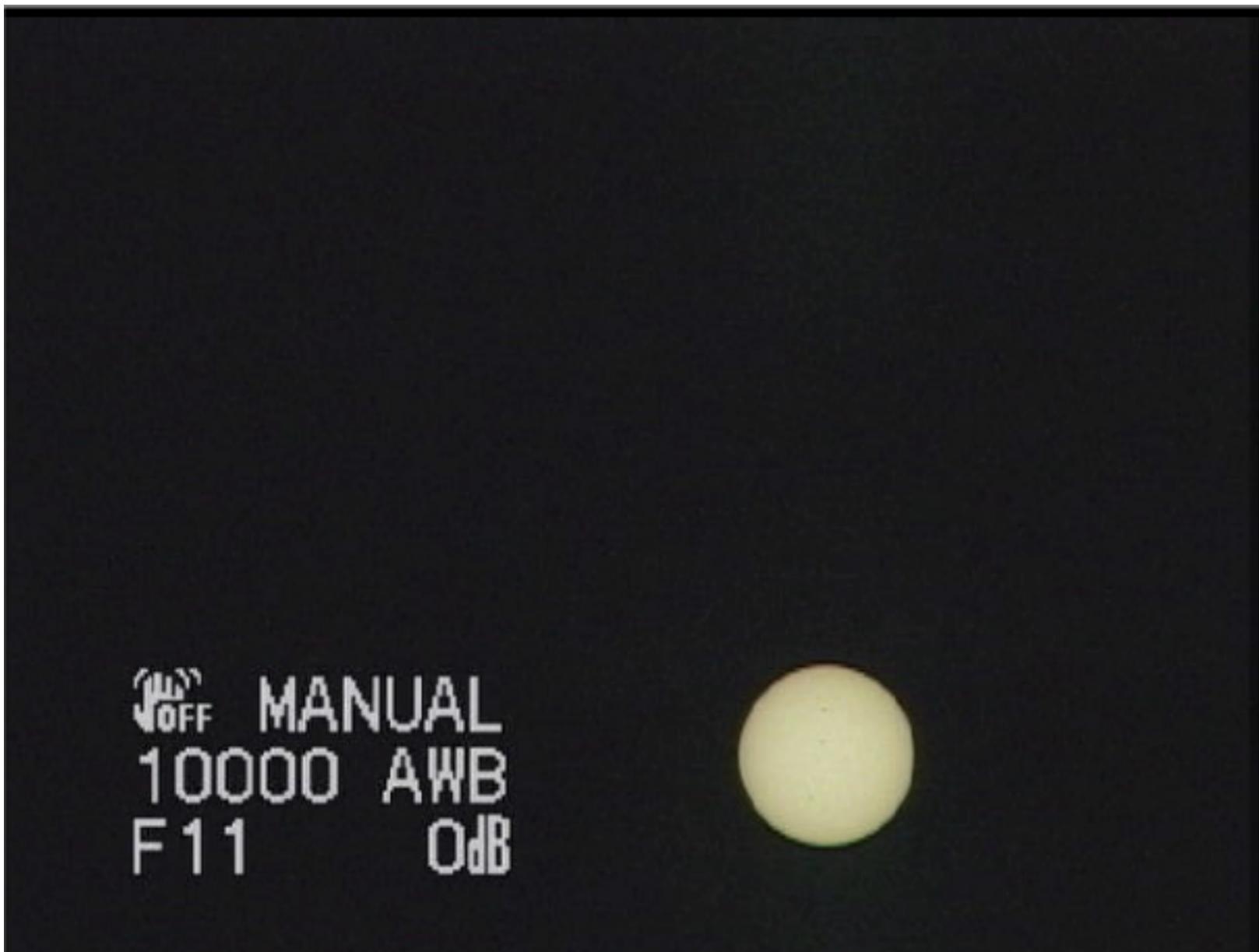
f/11 aperture

0 ND filters

0 dB gain

(Real scene = 64 times the light as inside)

Dynamic Range in the Real World



Straight at the sun

1/10,000th sec shutter

f/11 aperture

13 stops ND filters

0 dB gain

(Real scene = 5,000,000 times the light as inside)

Dynamic Range in the Real World



Very dim room

1/4th sec shutter

f/1.6 aperture

0 ND filters

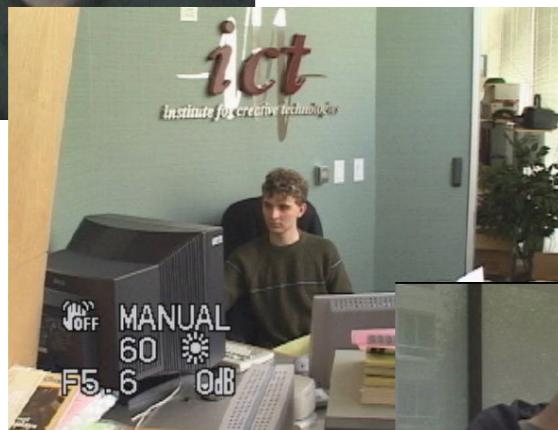
18 dB gain

(Real scene = 1/1500th the light than inside)

Dynamic Range in the Real World



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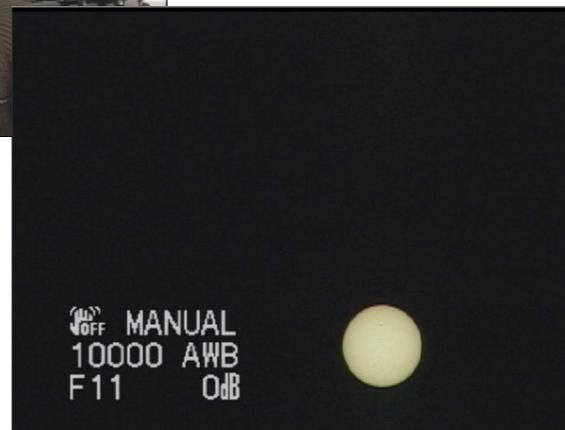
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25,000



400,000

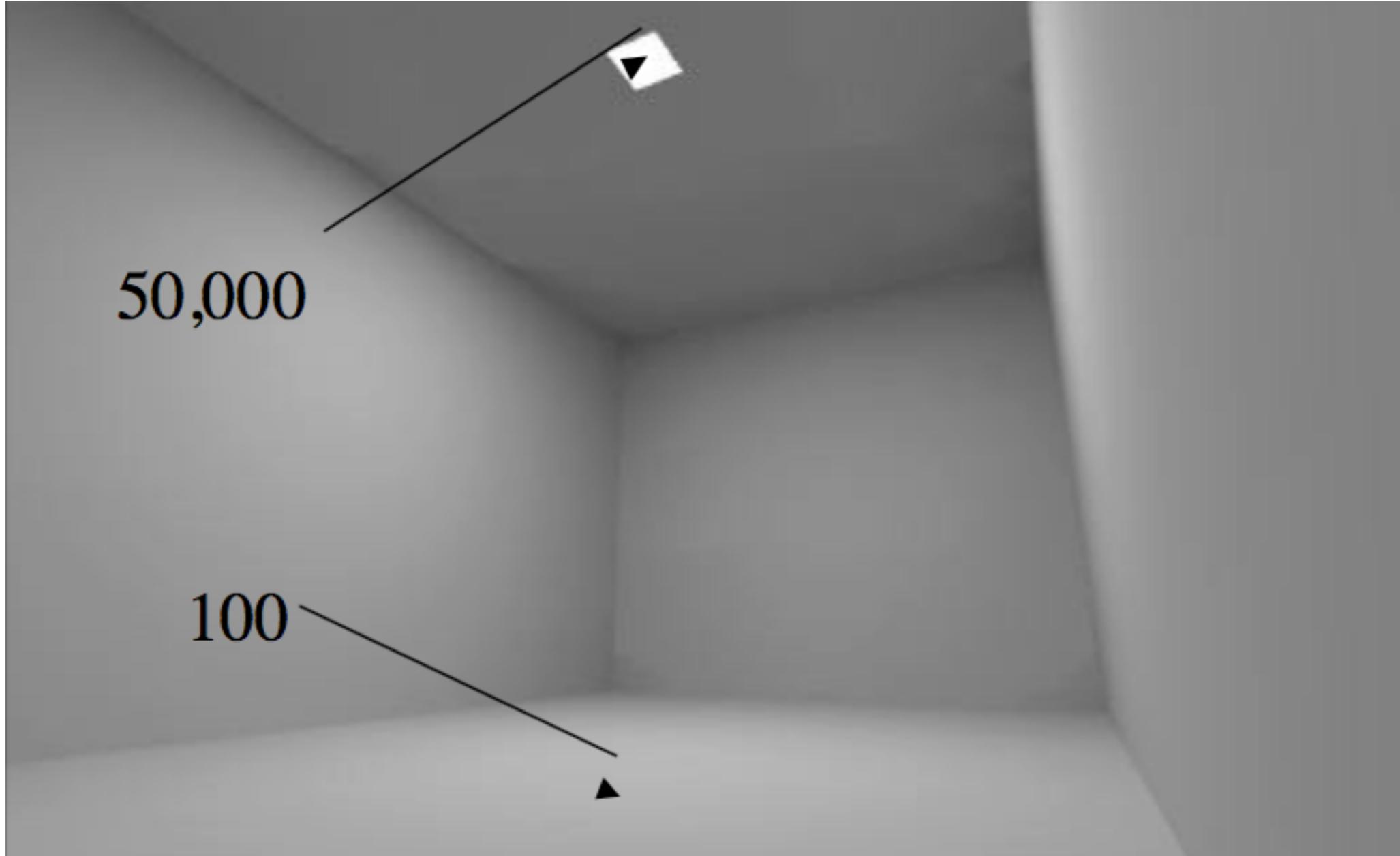


2,000,000,000

The real world is

High Dynamic Range

Light Sources generate High Dynamic Range



10' x 15' x 9' room, 9" by 9" light, 50% reflective walls

Light Sources generate High Dynamic Range



Figure: From left to right: underexposed, correct exposure, overexposed

High Dynamic Range Photography

Debevec and Malik. SIGGRAPH 97
Recovering High Dynamic Range Radiance Maps from Photographs.

Idea

- Take multiple exposures of the same scene
- Vary exposure time from small to long to capture complete dynamic range
- Compute HDR image from those exposures

High Dynamic Range Photography

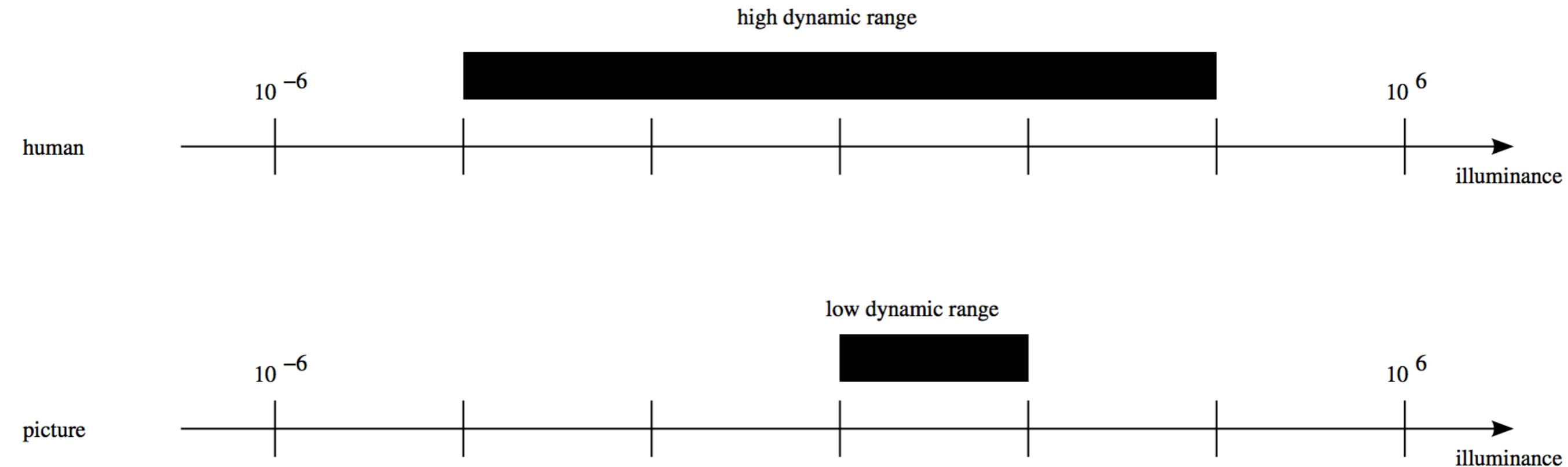
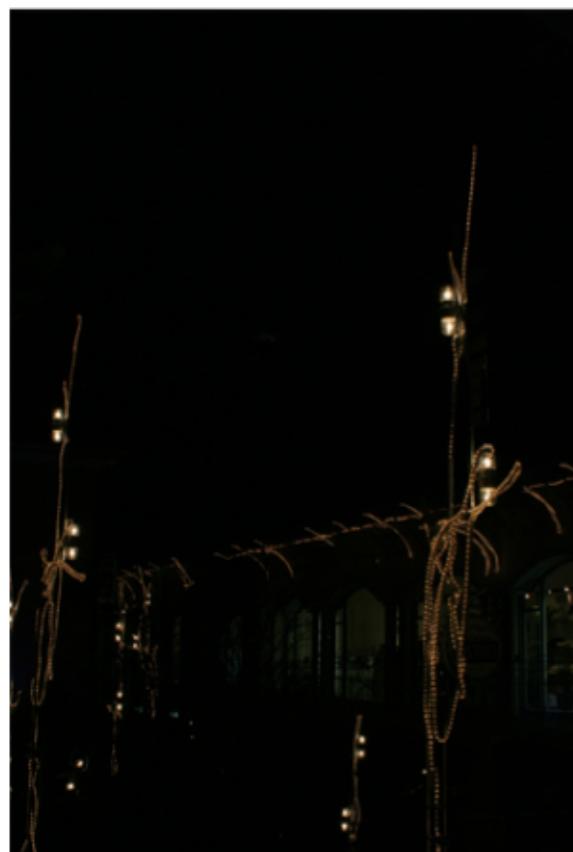
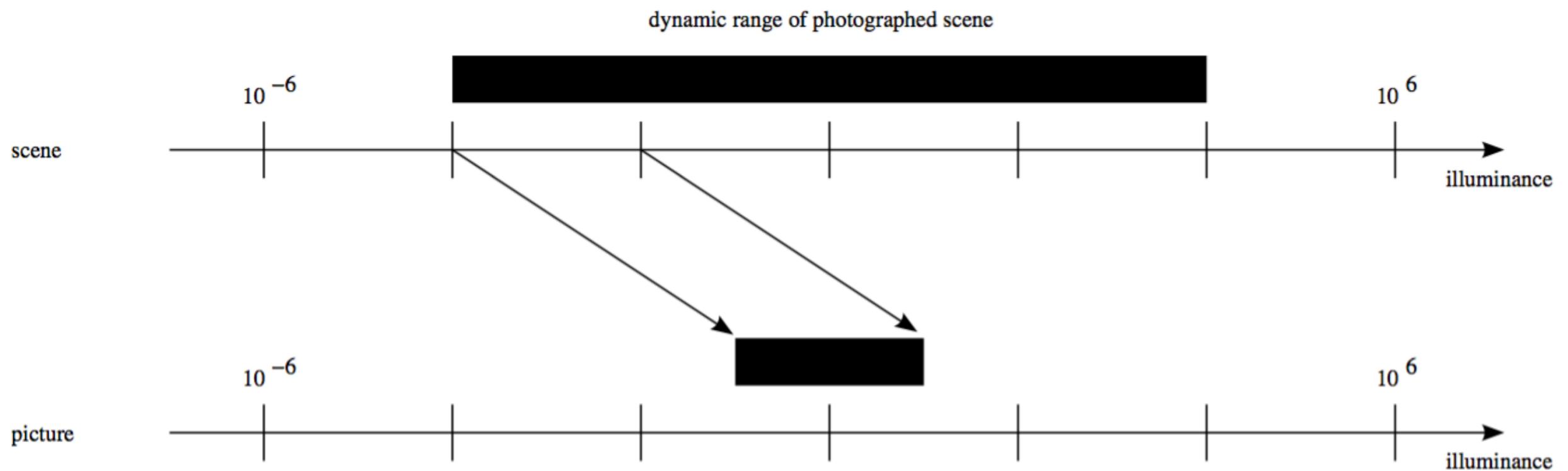
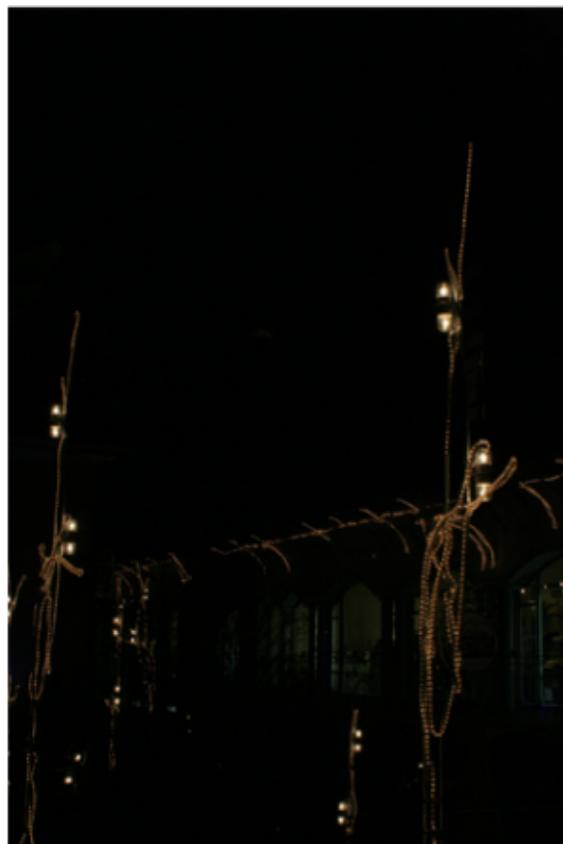
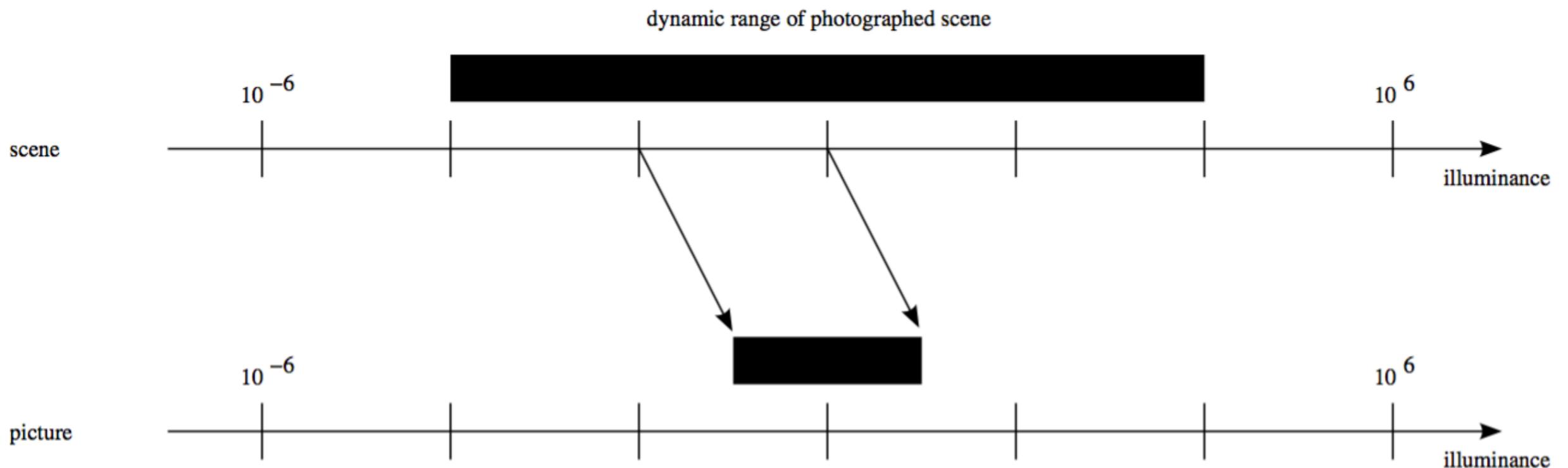


Figure: High dynamic vs. low dynamic range

High Dynamic Range Photography

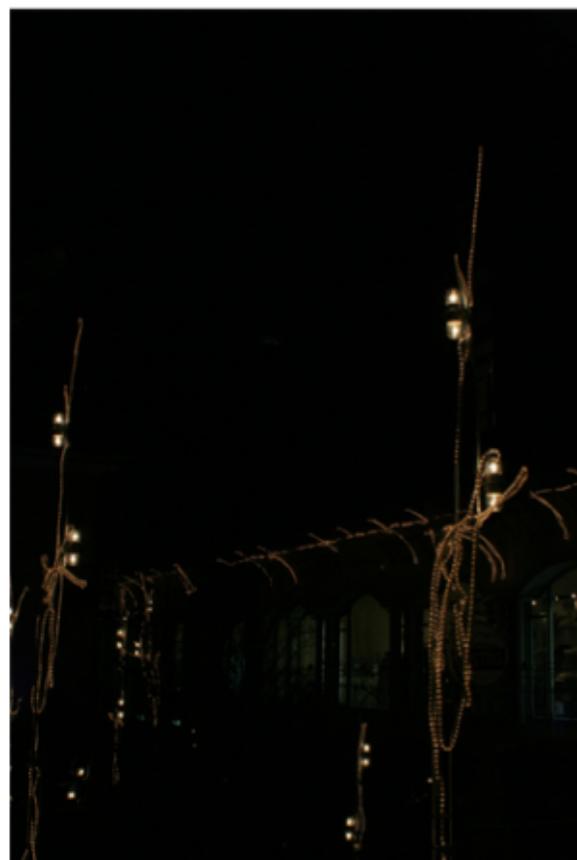
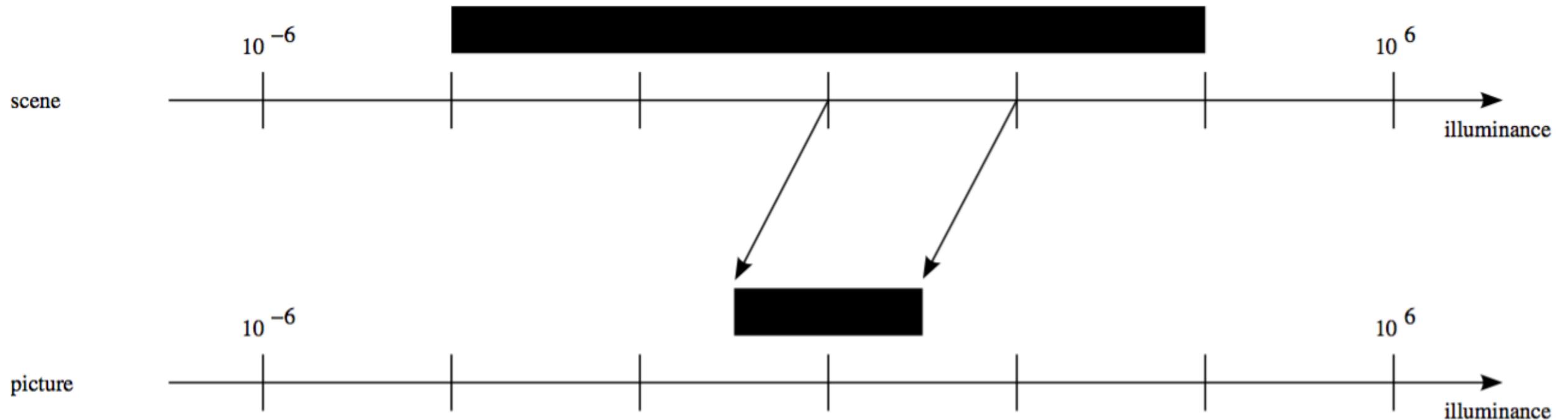


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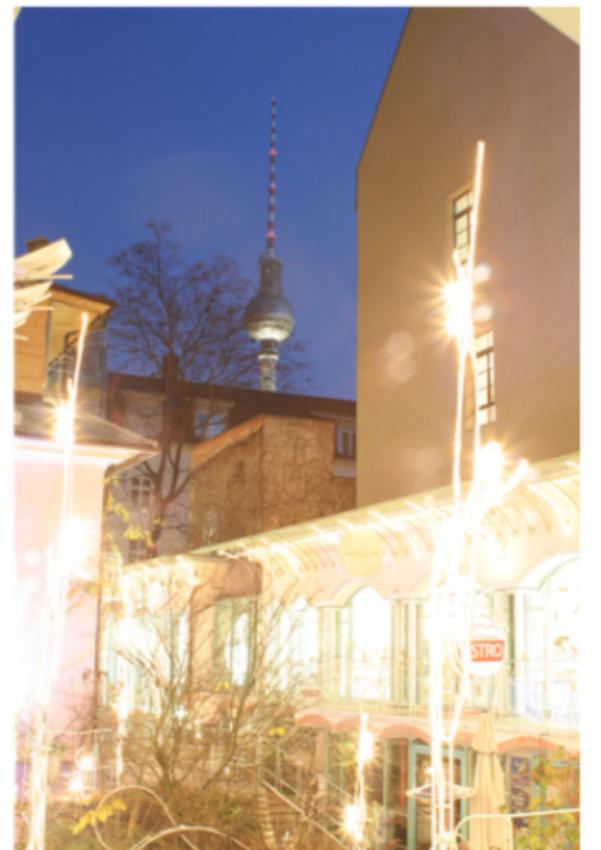
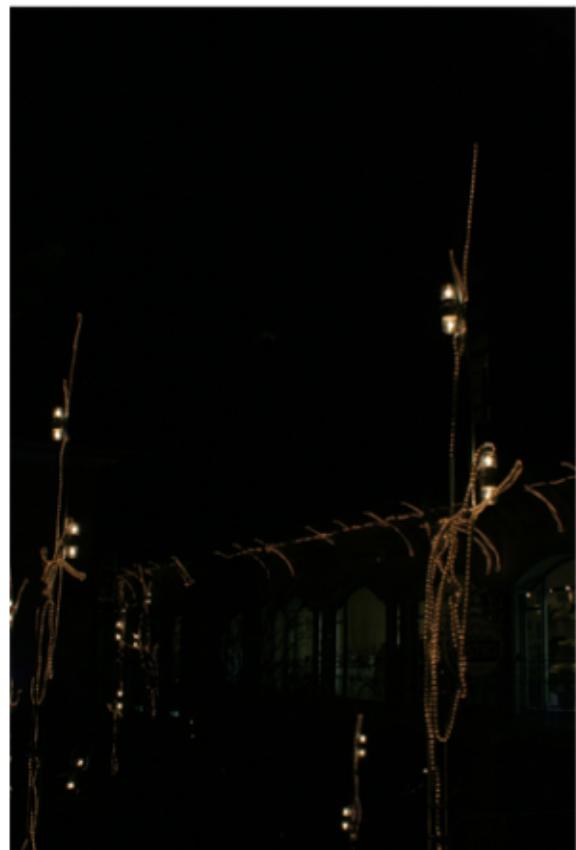
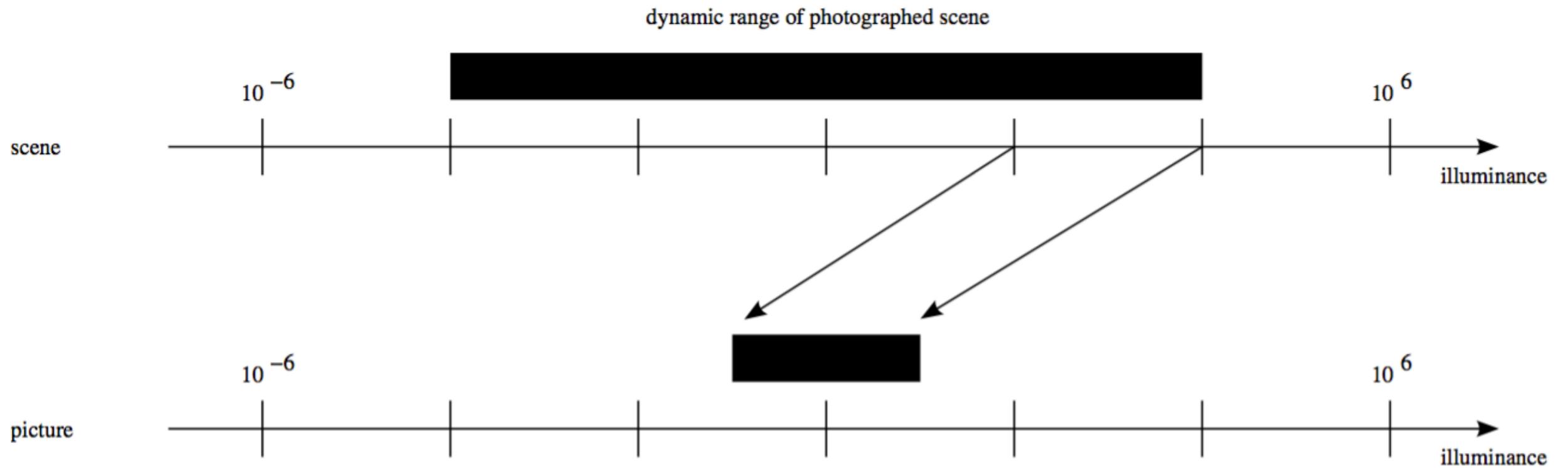


High Dynamic Range Photography

dynamic range of photographed scene



High Dynamic Range Photography

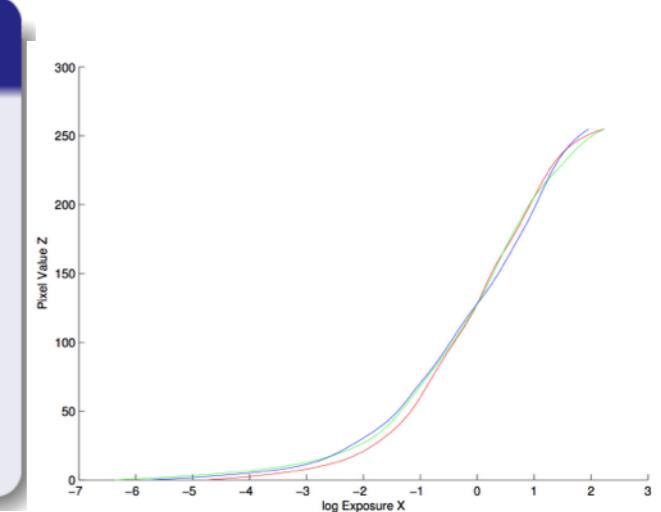


Recovering the Response Curve

- Camera response curve f tells us, how scene radiance E is mapped to pixel brightness Z
- Using the inverse of f allows us to reproduce actual scene radiance E
- f is different for each camera compute f from a series of exposures

Camera response curve

- Non-linear mapping f from scene radiance E_i and exposure time Δt_j to pixel brightness Z_i
- $Z_{ij} = f(E_i \Delta t_j)$
- We want to determine f



Recovering the Response Curve

Define equation system

- $Z_{ij} = f(E_i \Delta t_j)$
- $f^{-1}(Z_{ij}) = E_i \Delta t_j$
- $\ln f^{-1}(Z_{ij}) = \ln E_i + \ln \Delta t_j$
- Set $g = \ln f^{-1}$

Solve for g

- Solve overdetermined system of equations
$$g(Z_{ij}) = \ln E_i + \ln \Delta t_j$$
- Solved in a least-squared error sense
- Result: Camera response function f

Recovering the Response Curve

- Computed from a series of 9 exposures Exposure time from 1/4000 to 15
- Each exposure two stops (shutter speed) apart (i.e. 1/4000 , 1/1000 , 1/250 ,...,15)

Recovering the Response Curve

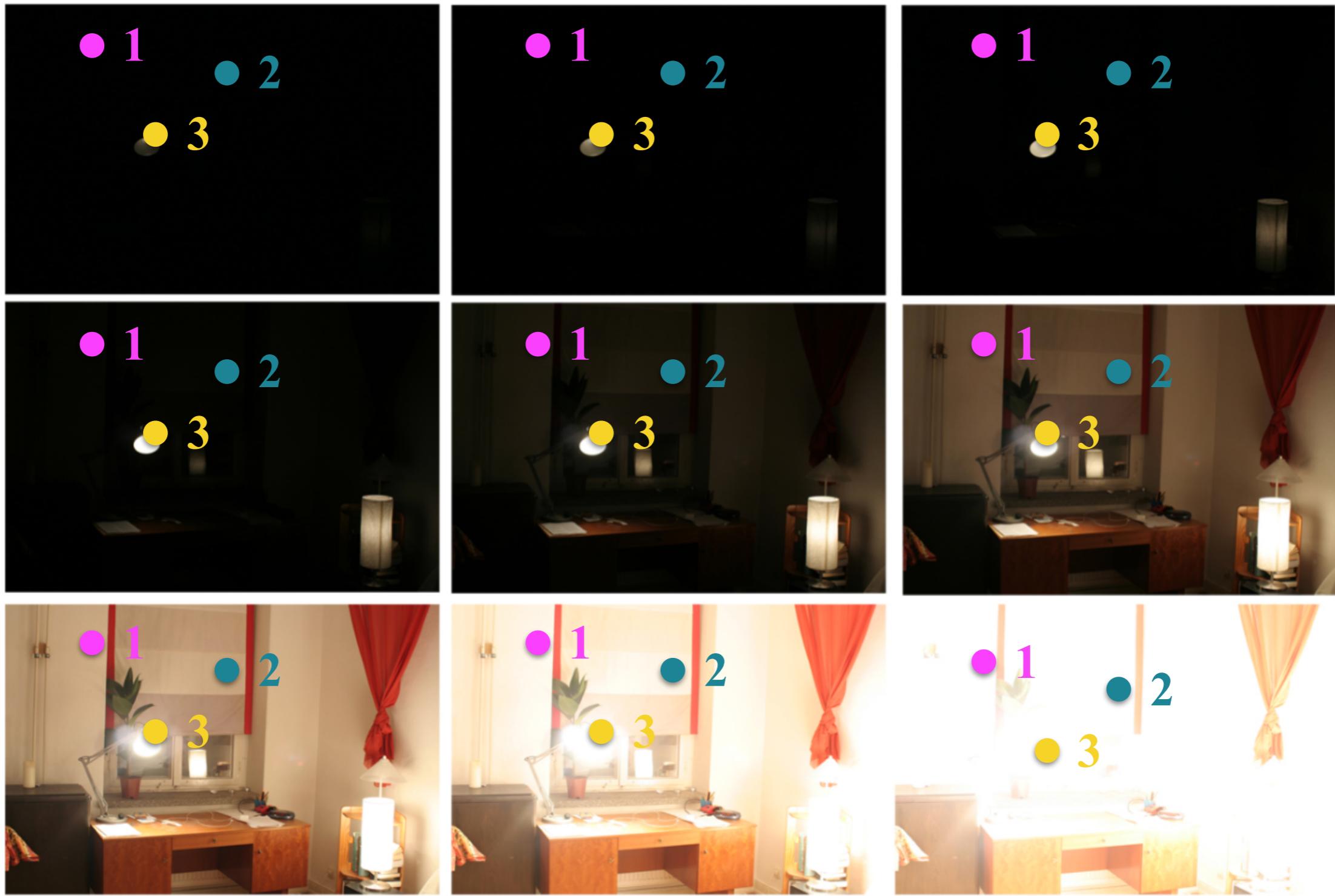
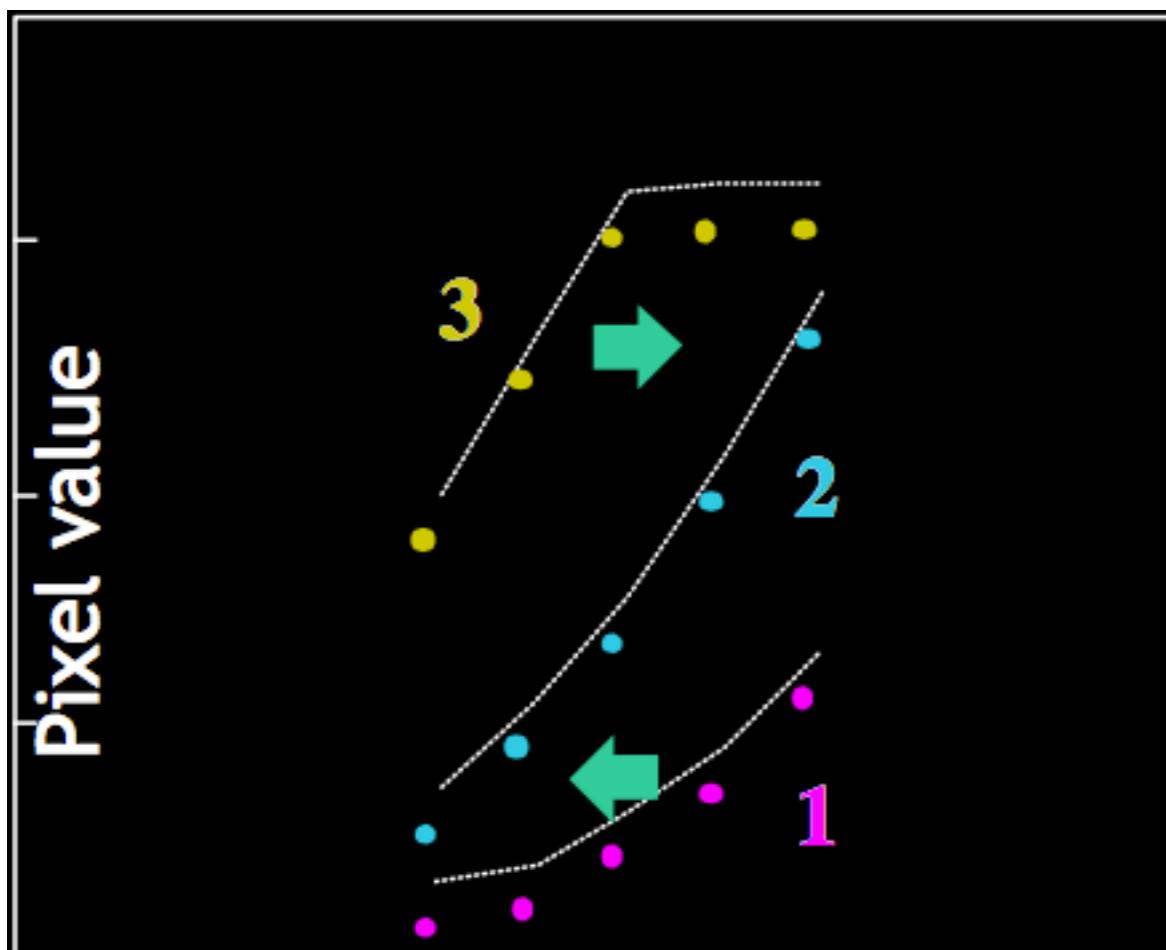


Figure: Exposure series used to compute camera response curve

Recovering the Response Curve

Assuming unit radiance
for each pixel

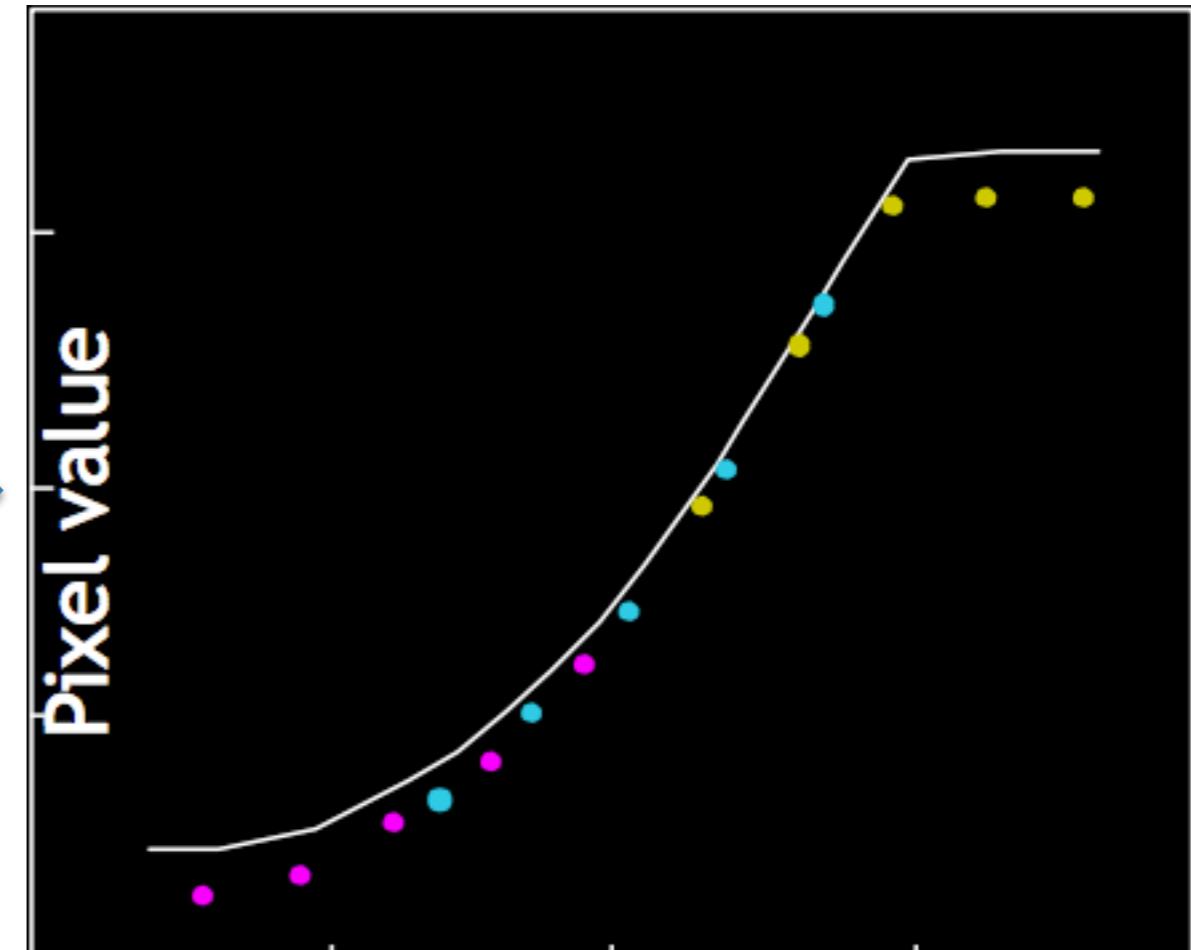


log Exposure

$\log 1 + \log \Delta t$

After adjusting radiances
to obtain a smooth curve

L.S.



log Exposure

$\log \text{adjusted-radiance} + \log \Delta t$

Recovering the Response Curve

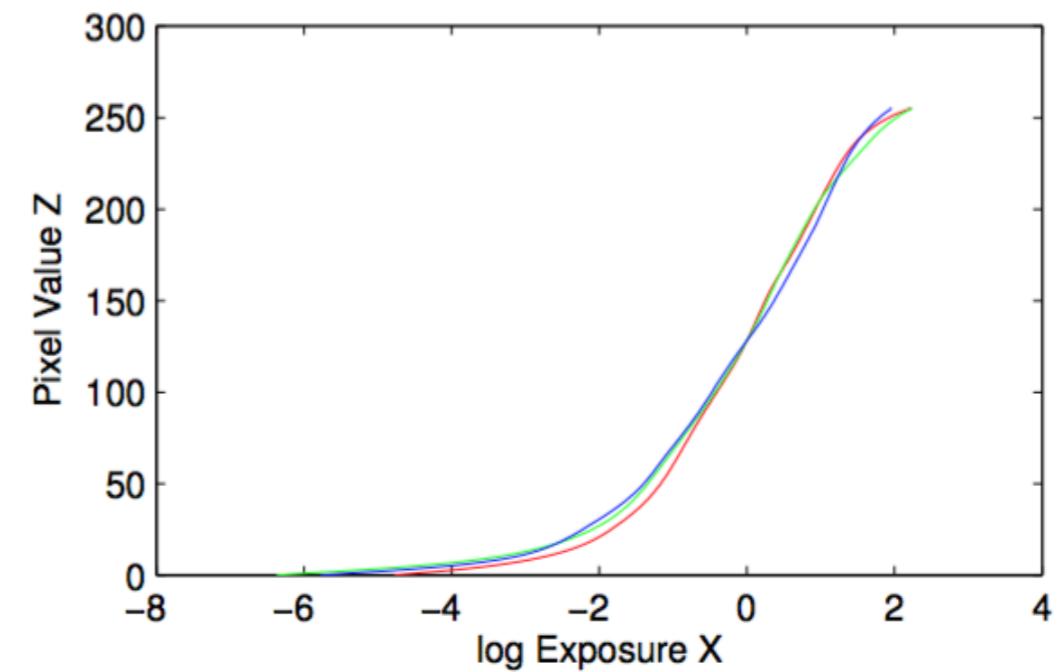
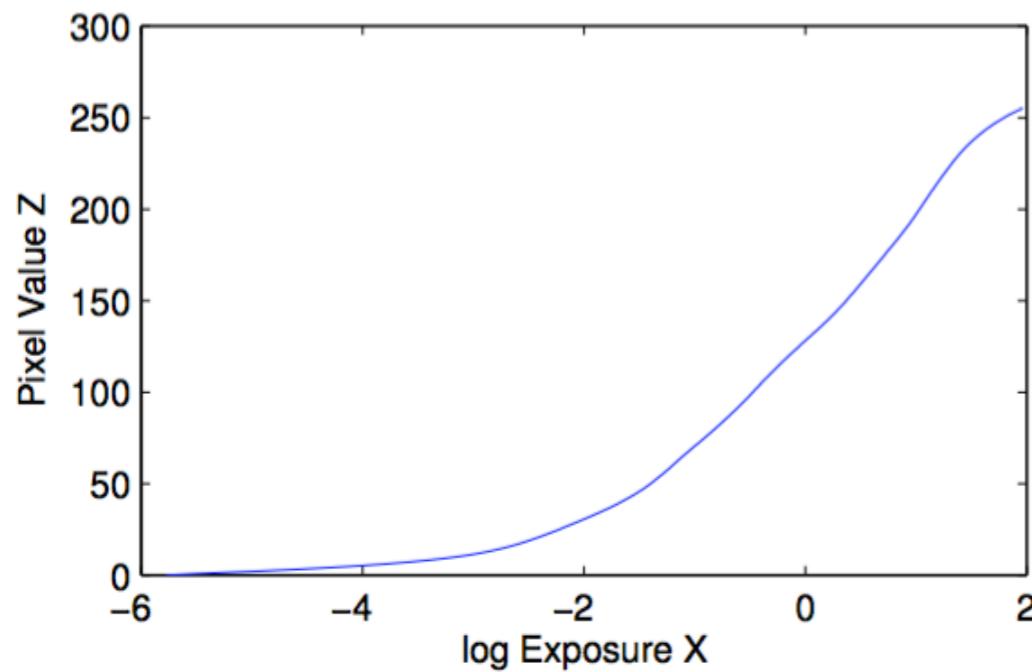
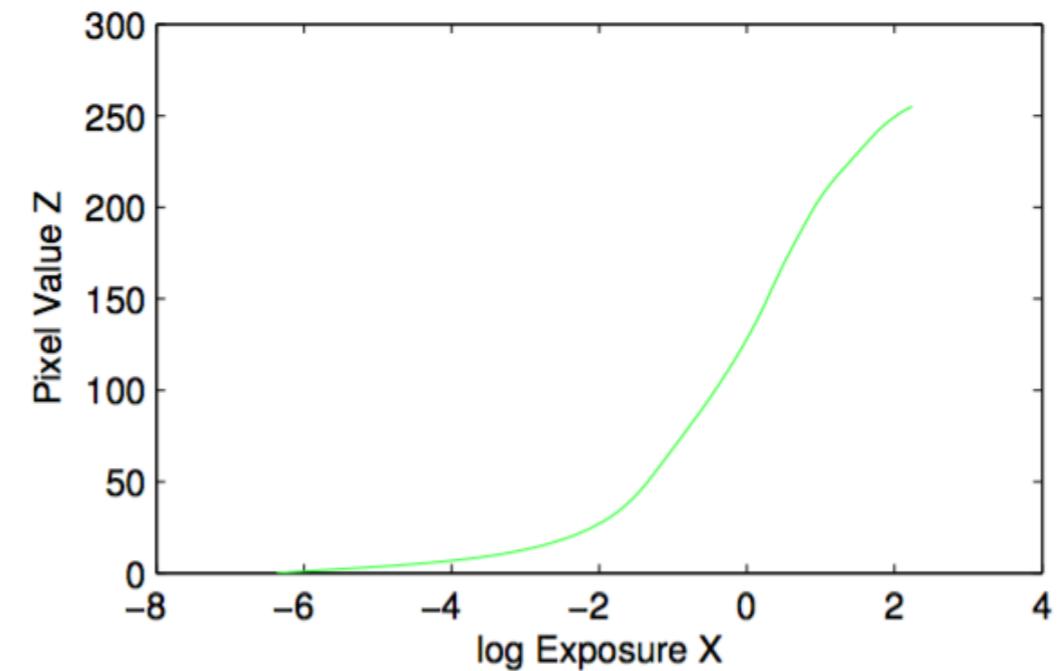
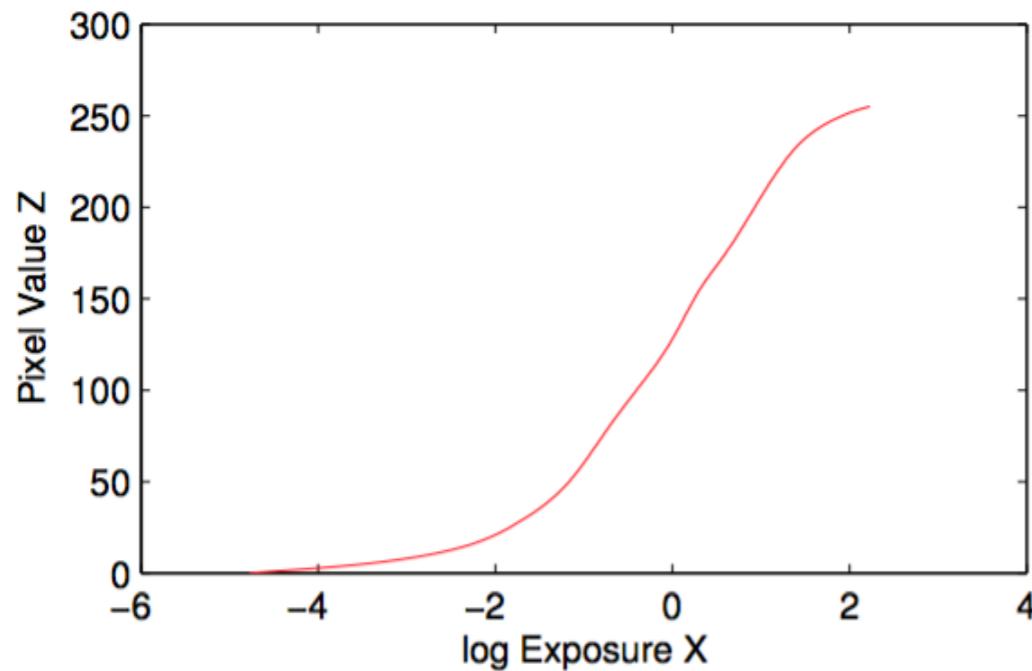
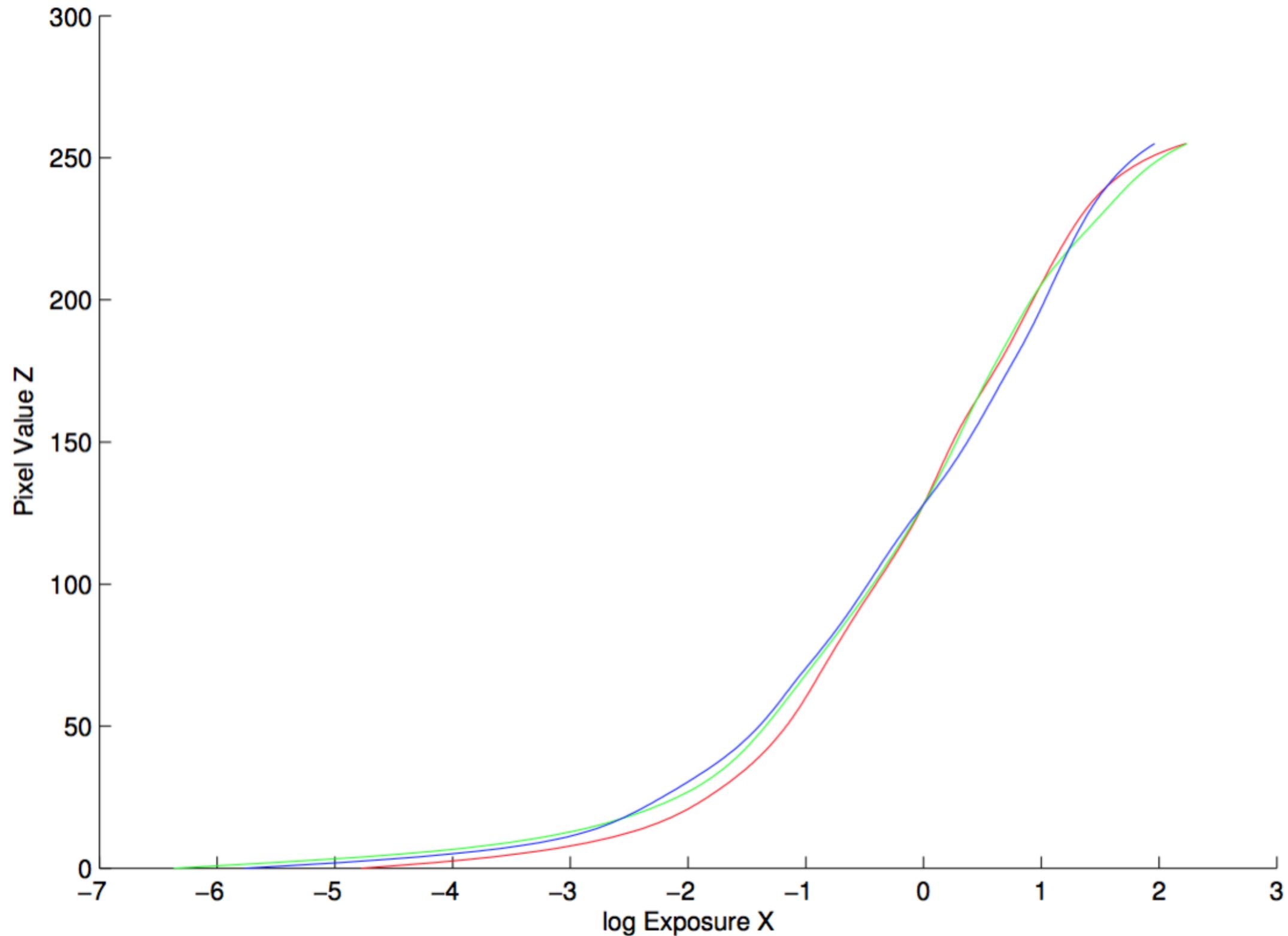


Figure: Recovered response curve f

Recovering the Response Curve



Constructing HDR Radiance Map

What we know

- Camera response curve
 - Multiple exposures of same scene at known exposure times
 - Each pixel in the scene is correctly exposed at least once
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- Use this information to assemble HDR image
 - Each pixel is a weighted combination from the corresponding pixels of all exposures

Constructing HDR Radiance Map

Radiance

- $\ln E_i = g(Z_{ij}) - \Delta t_j$

Weighted average

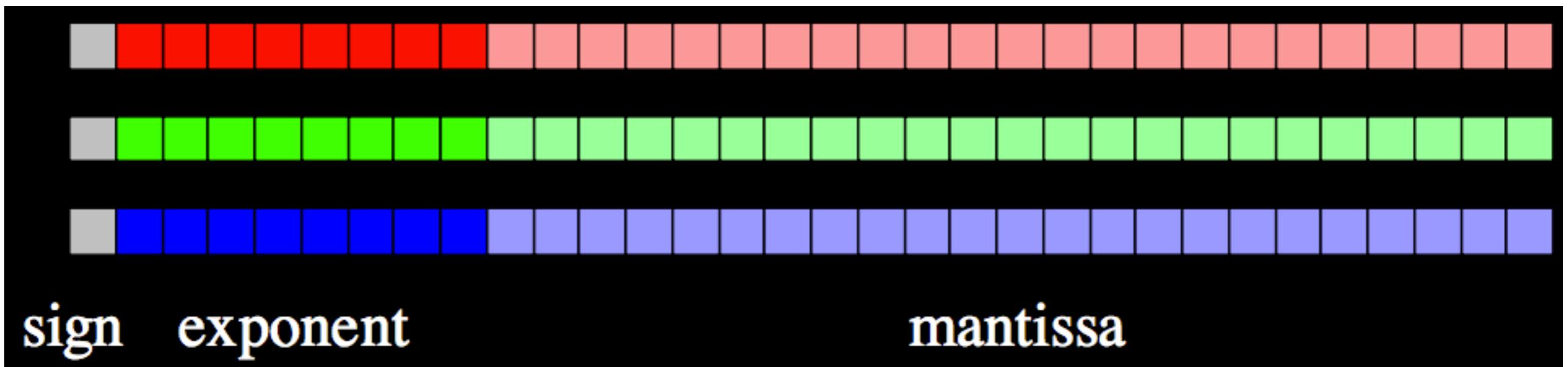
- Use weighted average of all exposures to create HDR map
- $$\ln E_i = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^P (w(Z_{ij})(g(Z_{ij}) - \Delta t_j))}{\sum_{j=1}^P (w(Z_{ij}))}$$

HDRI Formats

- Portable FloatMap (.pfm)
- Floating-Point TIFF (.tif)
- Greg Ward's RADIANCE format (.pic, .hdr)
- Greg Larson's LogLuv TIFF (.tif)
- Newtek Flexible Image Format (.flx)

Portable FloatMap

- 12 bytes per pixel, 4 bytes (32 bits) for each color
- 1 byte (8 bits) for each color's exponent



RADIANCE Format

4 bytes (32 bits) for each pixel, 1 byte for each color, 1 byte for exponent

Greg Ward's “Real Pixels” format



Red

Green

Blue

Exponent

$$(145, 215, 87, 149) =$$

$$(145, 215, 87) * 2^{(149-128)} =$$

$$(1190000, 1760000, 713000)$$

$$(145, 215, 87, 103) =$$

$$(145, 215, 87) * 2^{(103-128)} =$$

$$(0.00000432, 0.00000641, 0.00000259)$$

HDR Radiance Map

- We have now generated a HDR image
- Dynamic range of resulting HDR image: $\approx 1 : 100000$
- Dynamic range of computer screen: much lower

Problem We cannot directly display the resulting HDR image

Solution Tone mapping

Tone Mapping

- Compress high dynamic range to displayable low dynamic range
- Need to preserve details and colors

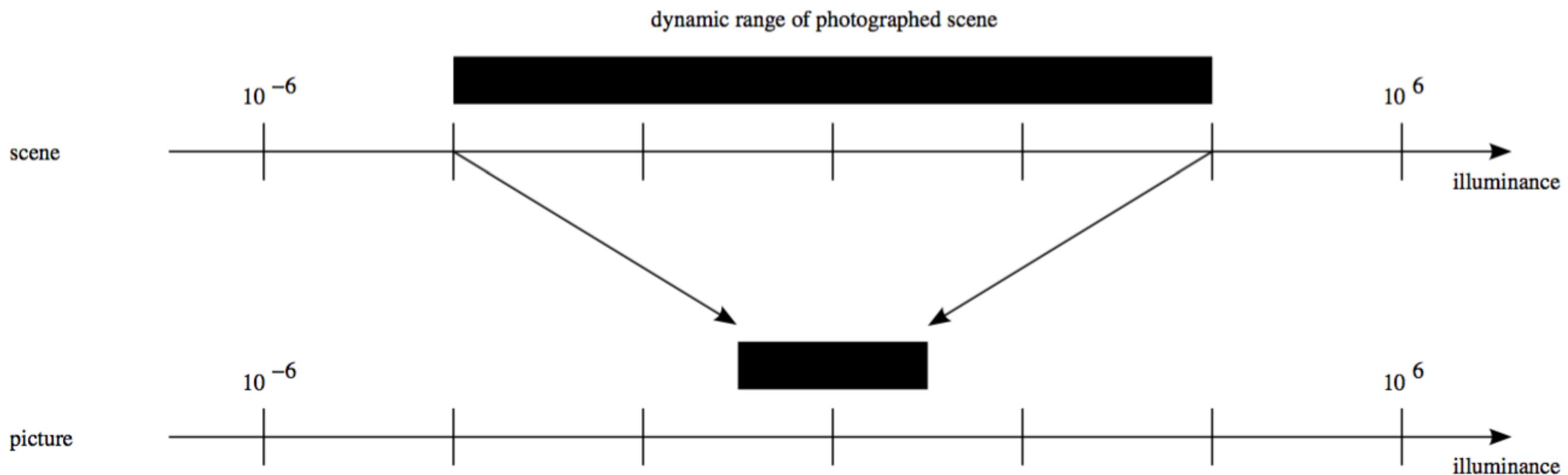


Figure: Tone mapping

Luminance Map

- Tone mapping is usually done on the luminance map
- Then colors are reapplied

Luminance map

- $L(x, y) = 0.2 \cdot Red(x, y) + 0.7 \cdot Green(x, y) + 0.1 \cdot Blue(x, y)$

Global Operators

Definition

Tone mapping operator Maps a HDR image into displayable range [0, 1]

Linear Linear mapping of HDR image into range [0, 1]

Logarithmic Logarithmic mapping of HDR image into [0, 1]

Reinhard Global Reinhard operator $L(x, y) = \frac{L(x, y)}{1 + L(x, y)}$

Global Operators



Figure: Linear Mapping

http://cybertron.cg.tu-berlin.de/eitz/hdr/presentation_hdr_tonemapping.pdf

Global Operators



Figure: Logarithmic Mapping
http://cybertron.cg.tu-berlin.de/eitz/hdr/presentation_hdr_tonemapping.pdf

Global Operators



Figure: Global Reinhard Mapping
http://cybertron.cg.tu-berlin.de/eitz/hdr/presentation_hdr_tonemapping.pdf

Local Operators



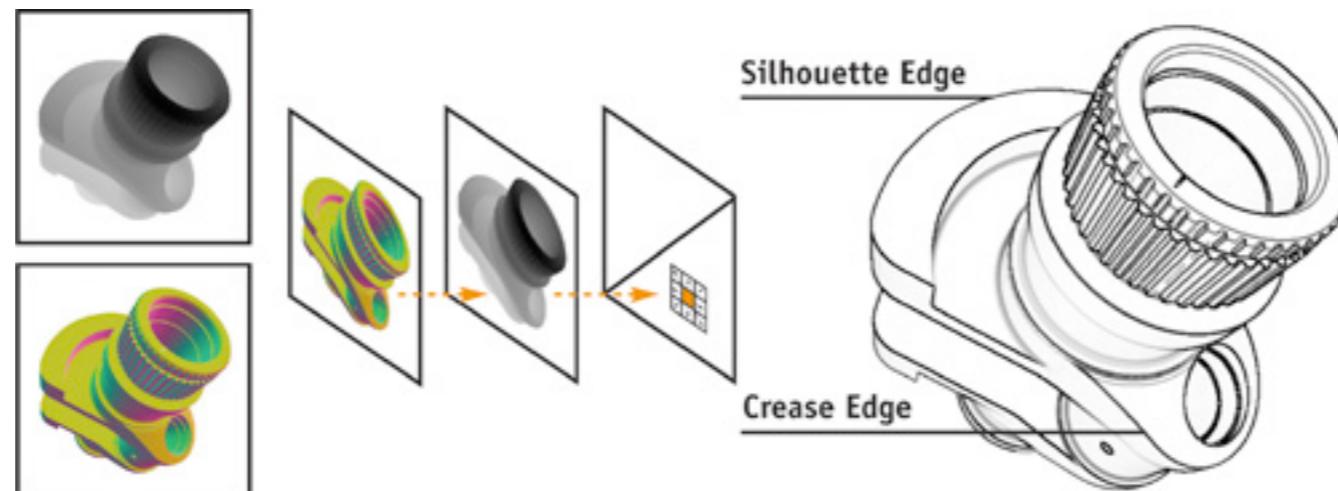
Figure: Desk - Reinhard local
http://cybertron.cg.tu-berlin.de/eitz/hdr/presentation_hdr_tonemapping.pdf

HDR Skybox Lab

- Open Lab 1 project (or just create a new project with some metallic 3D objects)
- Download our light probe: https://dl.dropboxusercontent.com/u/39794258/GameEngine/uffizi_probe.hdr
- Import the light probe
 - Assets -> Import New Assets...
 - Select our uffizi_probe.hdr
- At the new imported HDRI
 - Texture Type -> Cubemap
 - Mapping -> Mirrored Ball (click Apply)
- Create new material
 - Project -> Create -> Material -> Name it “uffizi”
- Add the light probe to the cube map
 - Inspector -> Shader -> Skybox -> Cubemap (HDR) -> Select -> “uffizi_probe”
- Set the new skybox
 - Window -> Lighting -> Scene -> Environment Lighting
 - skybox -> select the new “uffizi”
 - Reflection Source -> Custom -> Cubemap -> select “uffizi_probe”
- Create a very metallic material and add to some objects to see its reflection

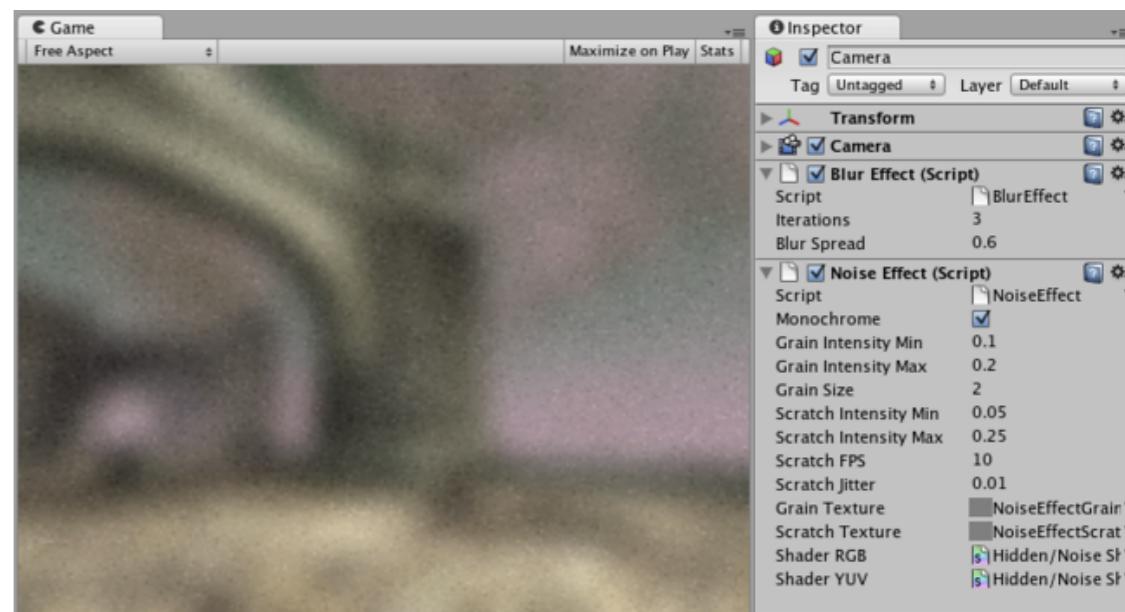
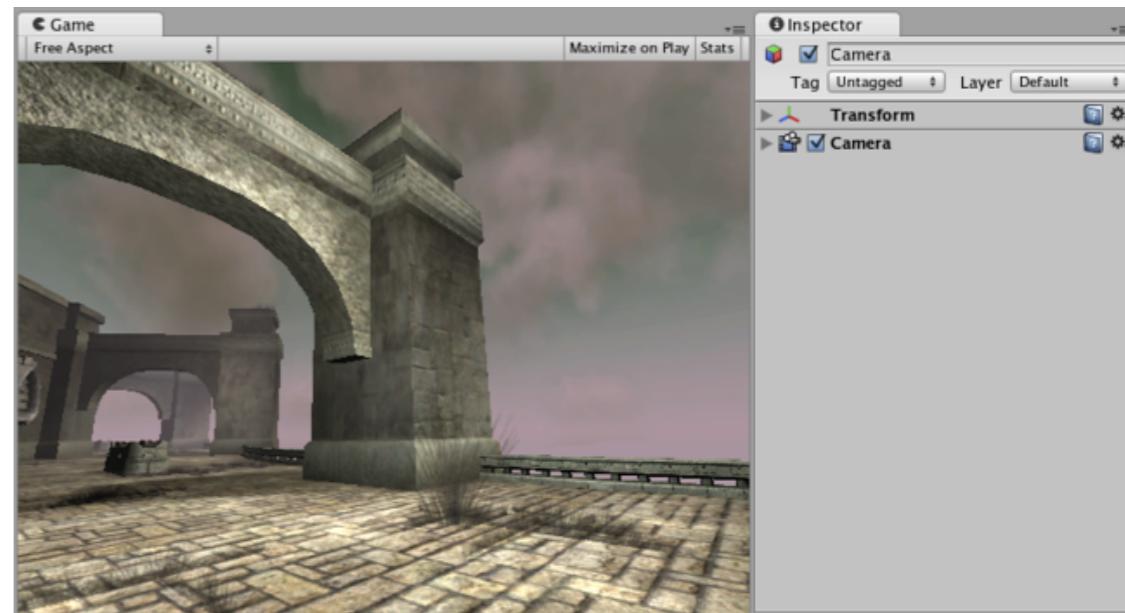
Image Space Rendering

- Use a lot in game to achieve real-time rate
- A lot quicker than 3D rendering
- Post-processing effects
 - Skip the 3D rendering and go right to image/screen space
 - Use pixels and texture information (e.g. depth buffer, normal buffer, etc) - similar to deferred shading
- Similar to Image Processing Techniques as using in Photoshop, After Effects, etc. where only 2D information (pixels) are mainly manipulated



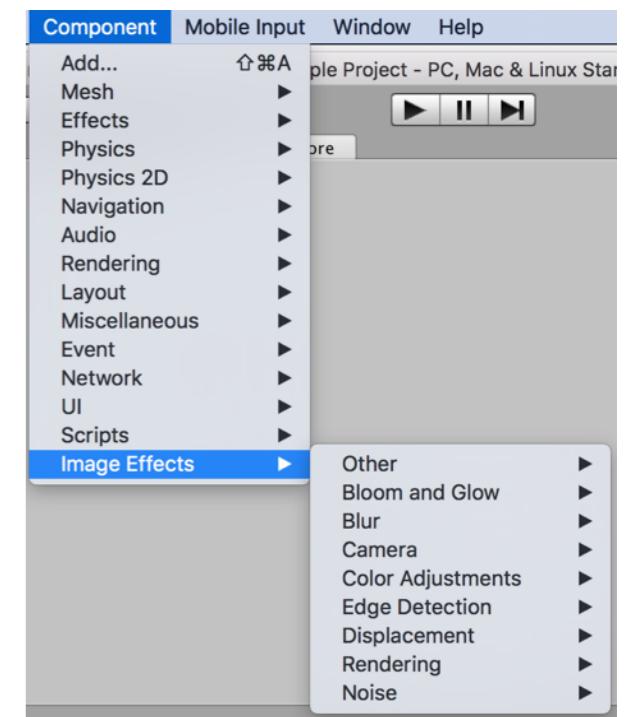
Unity Image Effects

- In Standard Assets
 - Assets -> Import Package -> Effects
 - At Camera -> add Component -> Image Effects
- Image Space Rendering
 - Apply to each image frame after 3D rendering
- Scripts attaching to Camera
- Calling from `OnRenderImage()` function



Unity Image Effect Labs

- Assets -> Import Package -> Effects
- At any scene, select the main camera
 - Component -> Image Effects
 - Try Blur
 - Check Game View
 - Try Adjust Blur (Script)'s parameters
 - Preview cannot show the effect because this is image-based rendering
 - Try other effects



Ambient Occlusion

- Global Illumination Approximation (Simplicity and Efficiency)
 - Increase Realism in the Scene without high computation
- Ambient Light's Shadows (Better depth clue than direct lighting's)
 - It darkens creases, holes and surfaces that are close to each other
- Ambient = Fake
 - Ambient Light Shadows = Fake Light Shadows



Diffuse Only



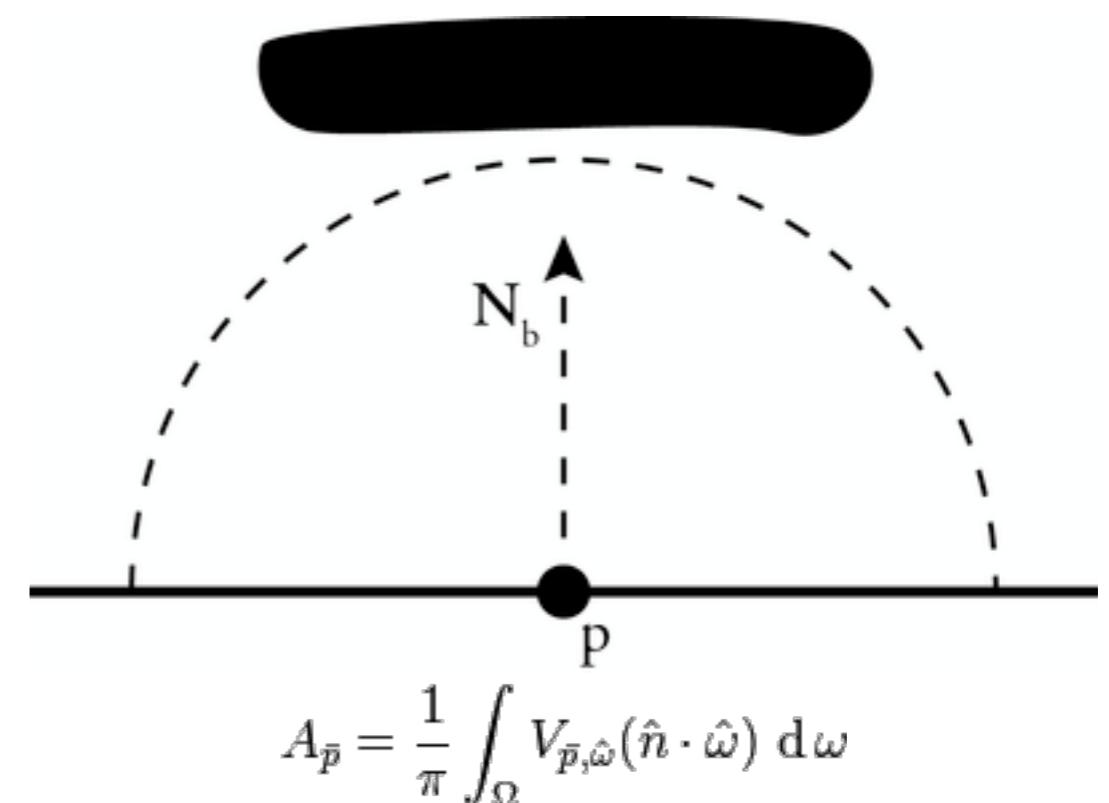
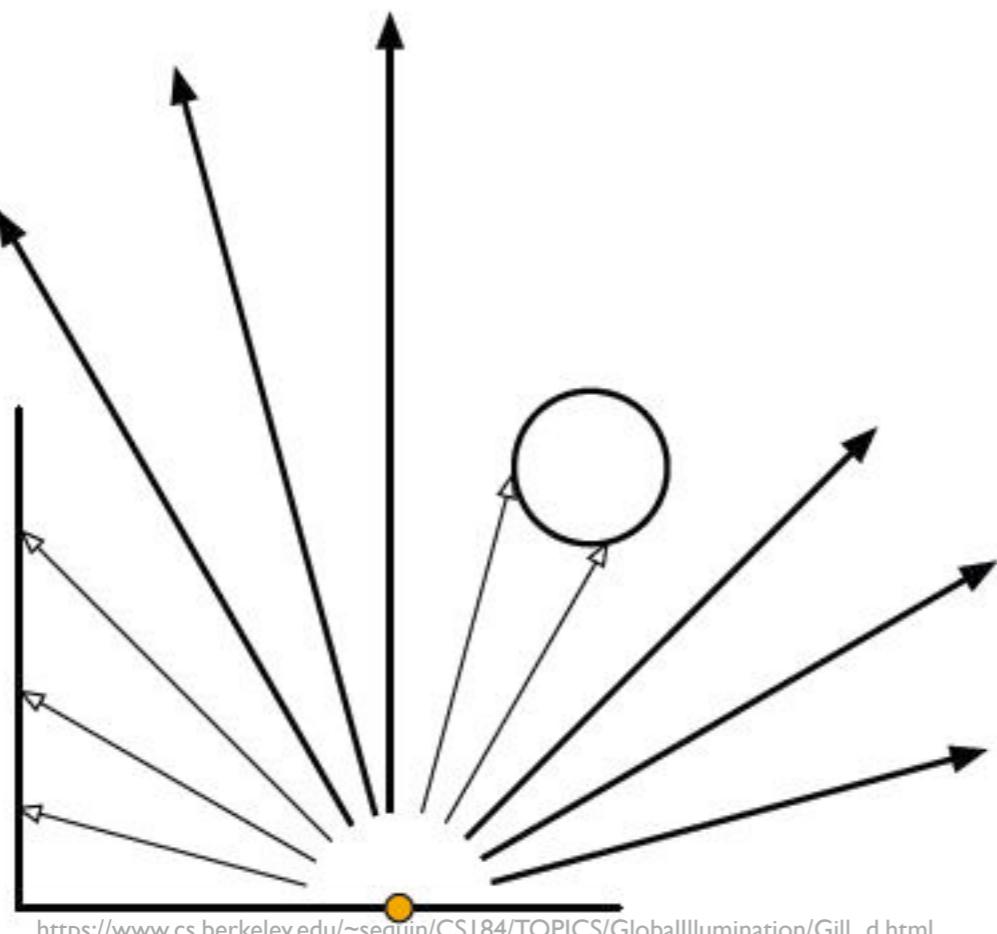
Ambient Occlusion



Combined

Ambient Occlusion

- How easy for a surface to be touched by light
- From a point on the surface, cast many rays at random
- Proportion of the sum of light rays that hit the surface
- Still not really efficient



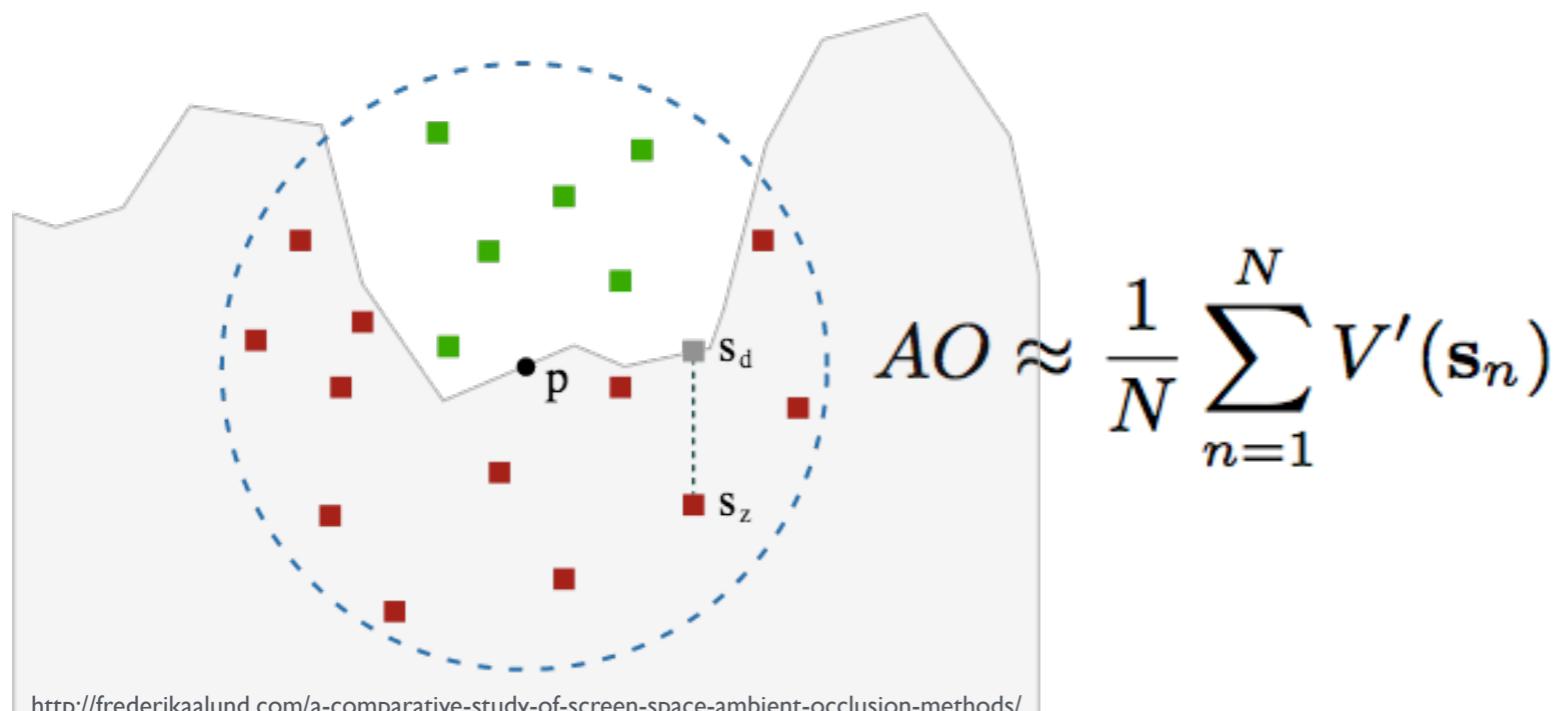
Ambient Occlusion

- Examples



Screen Space Ambient Occlusion (SSAO)

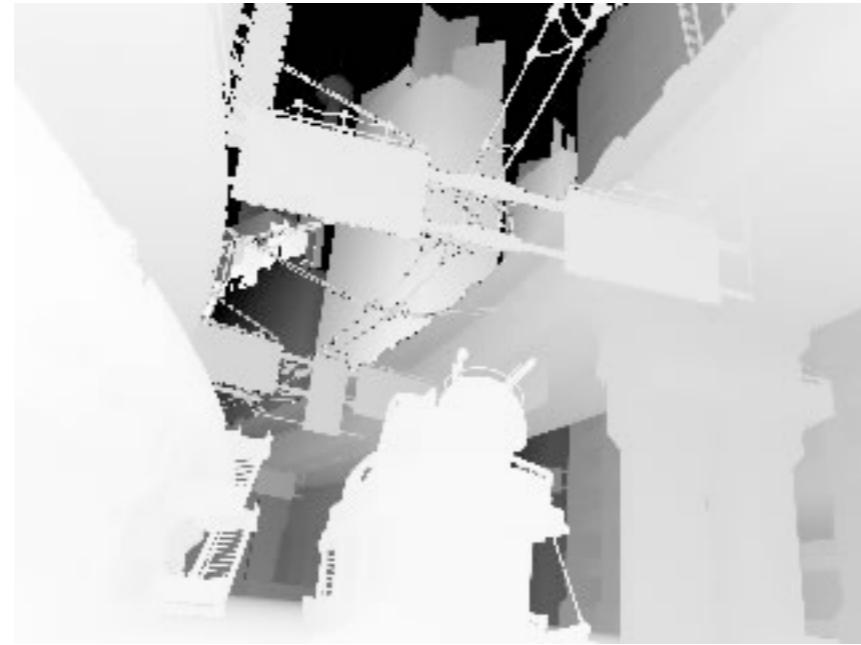
- Approximating Ambient Occlusion (for real-time)
 - Developed at Crytek (Crysis Game) in 2007
- Analyzing pixel depth (from Depth Buffer)
 - Depth differences of sampled points around the pixel
- Rather local and view-dependent



Screen Space Ambient Occlusion (SSAO)

- Examples

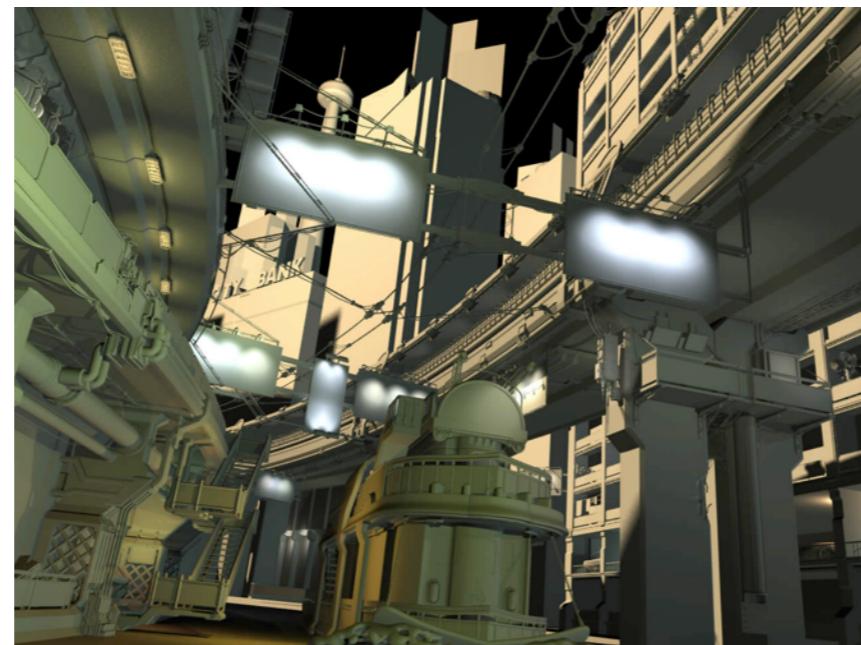
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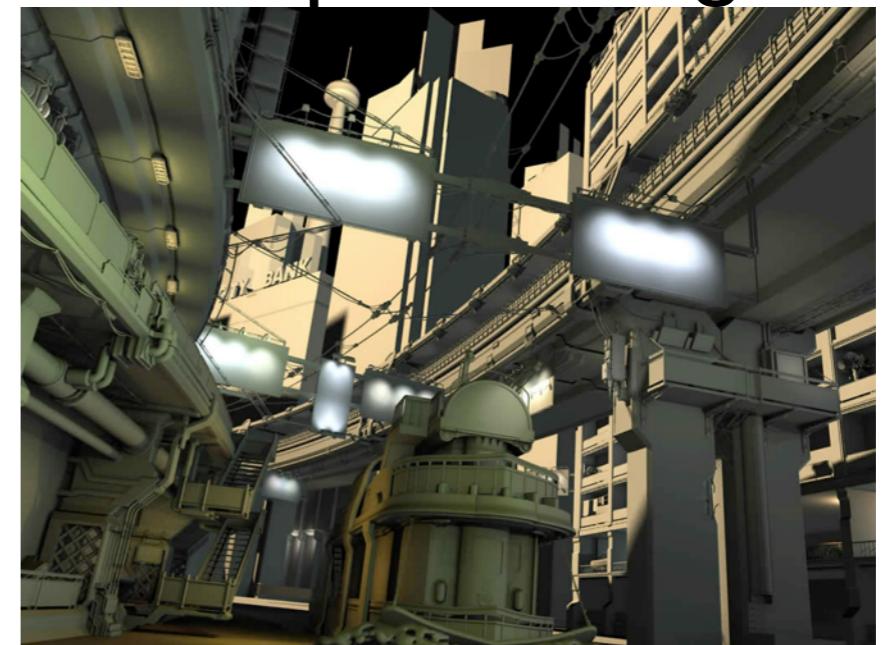
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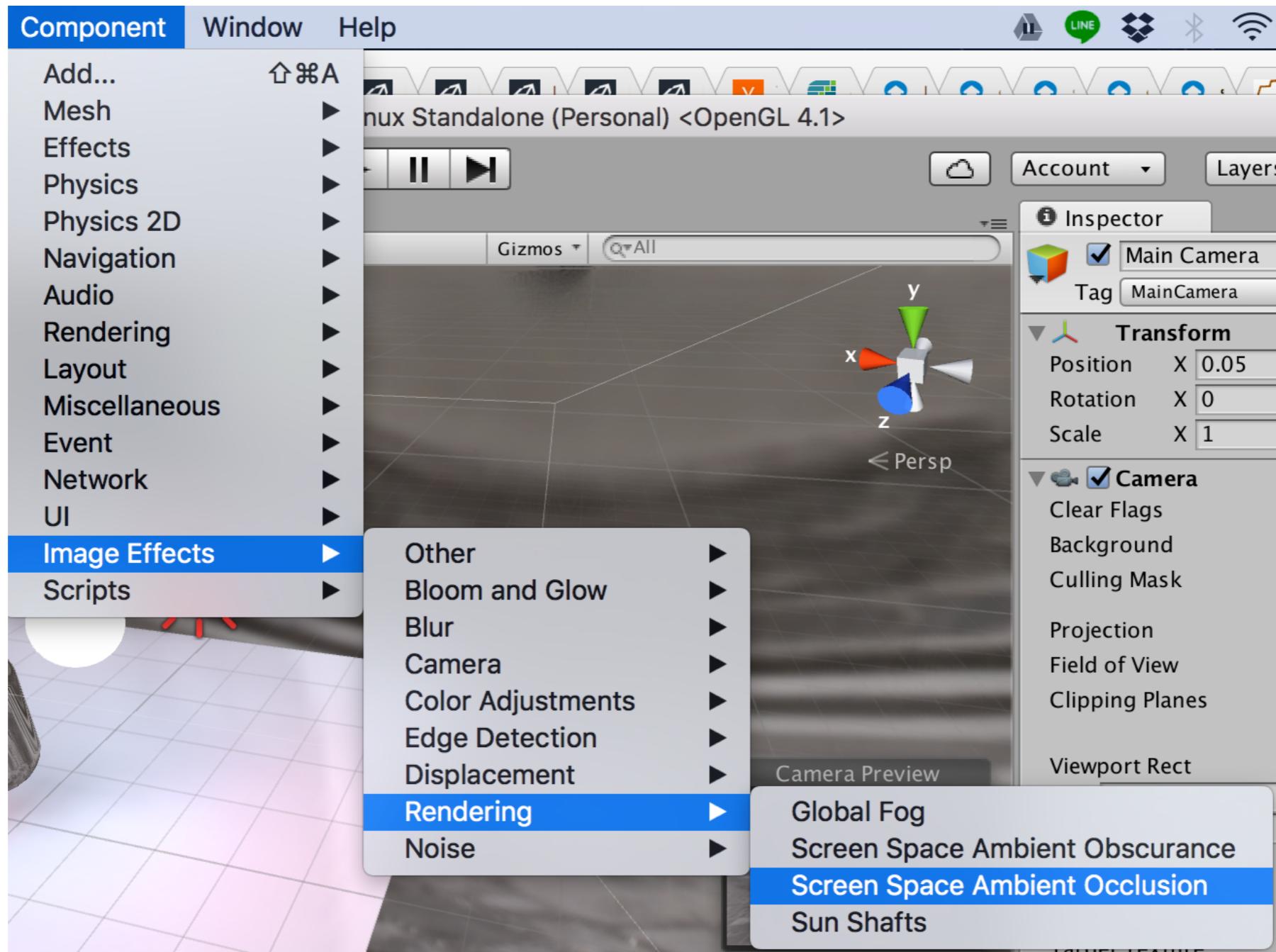
First Pass



Composite Image



SSAO in Unity



To see the effect clearly, you need a rather complex scene

Global Fog

- Fog = Volumetric Light
Scattering = Really
Expensive



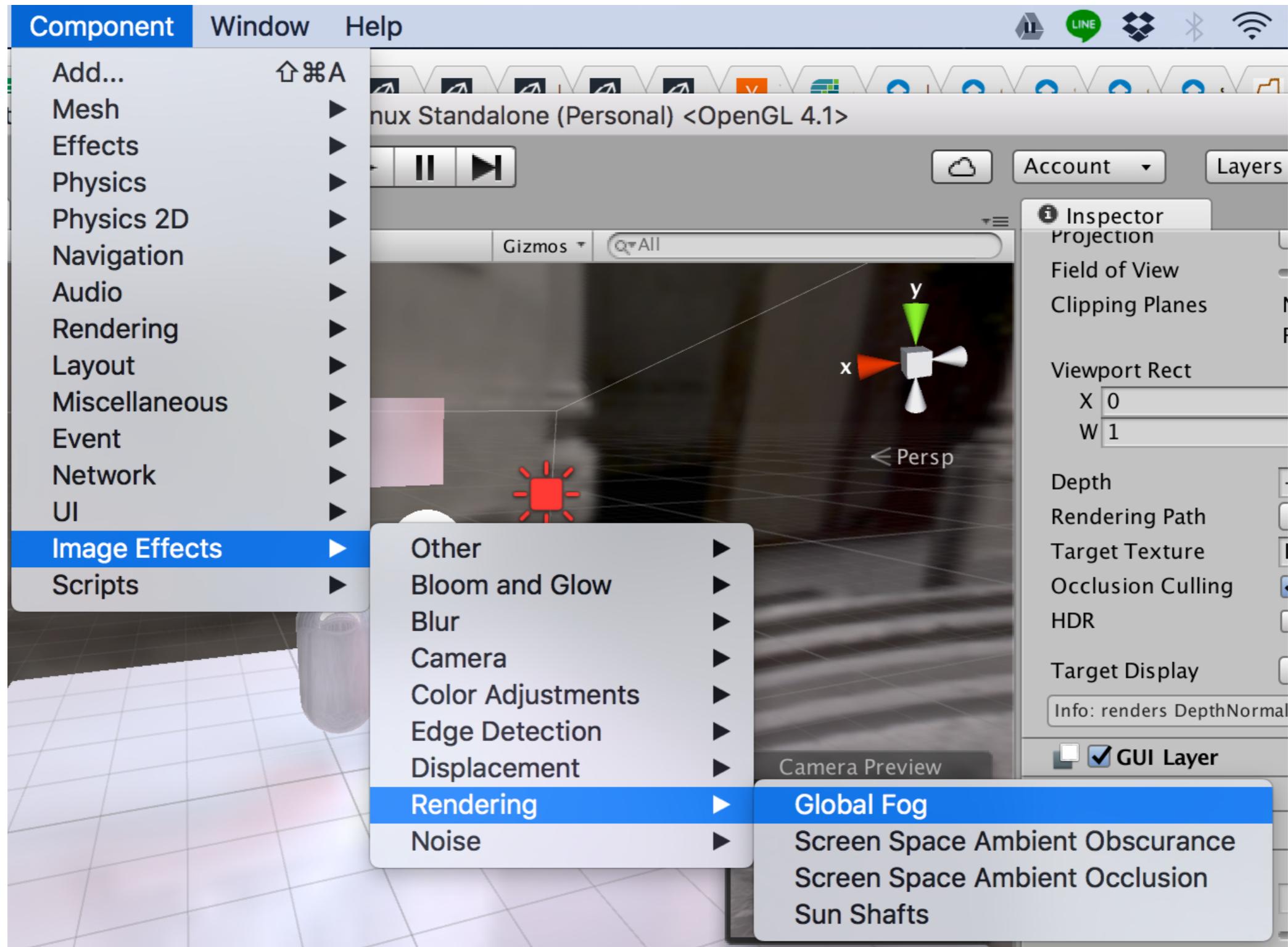
- Image-Based Distance Fog



- Image-Based Height-based Fog



Global Fog in Unity

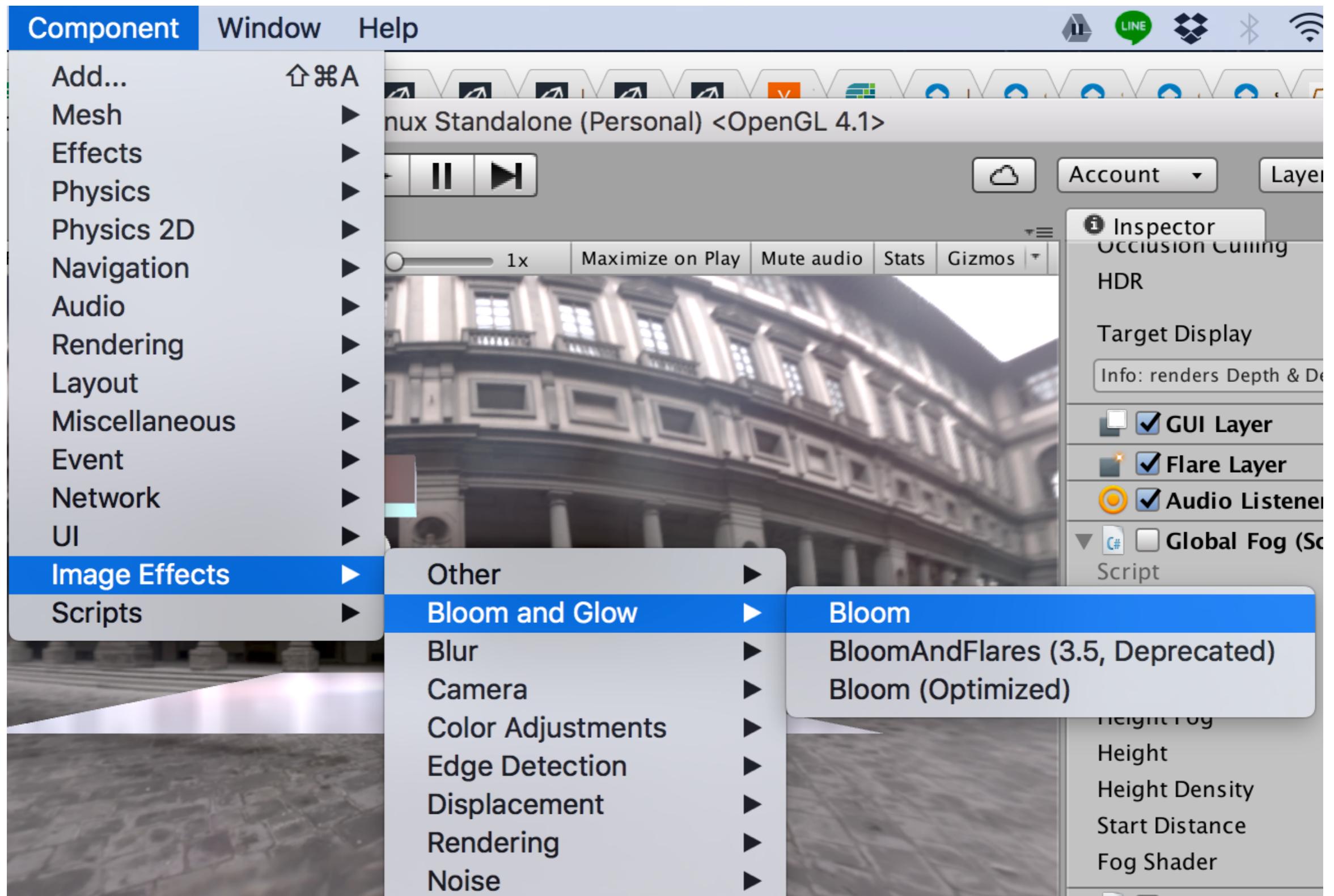


Bloom

- Camera artifacts
- Simulating extremely bright light where the light extending from the borders of bright areas in an image
- Using of HDR images
- Blurring the highlights



Bloom in Unity



More Camera Artifacts

- Vignetting
 - Decrease in brightness of a photograph around its edges



- Chromatic Aberration
 - Color Distortions from lens



- In Unity: Component -> Image Effects -> Camera -> Vignette and Chromatic Aberration



Camera Artifact Examples



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=72Rqpltxd8M>

Image Effect Lab

- Create a new project
- Import “Corridor Lighting Example” to the project
 - Window -> Asset Store
 - At Corridor Light Example -> Import
- Open the Scenes -> CorridorDemo
 - Wait a few seconds for Game view to properly render the scene
- Play it! (check frame rate at Game view -> Stats)

Image Effect Lab

- Click on Cameras -> MainCamera
- There are many image effects under the MainCamera
 - As you can see, they are all scripts (so, you can check their codes)
- Try disable (uncheck) them all and see the real scene
- Enable each image effect individually and try tweaking its parameters to see the effect
- Try move “Bloom” before the “Tonemapping”
 - Order does matter! - it runs from top to bottom
 - Try move other image effect orders

Lab 2

- Make a nice scene/animation using any combination of existing and new image effects on the corridor example
- To add new image effects
 - Component -> Image Effects -> ANY!
- Submission (10 points) - at the end of the class
 - Login to WikiSpace
 - Create a new wiki page with title "your name - lab2" e.g. tanasai - lab2
 - Tag your page with lab2_2016
 - Post your result as an image or youtube link
 - Add text for the name of the new added image effects

Project Alert

Tutorial 1 DUE TODAY!