

Optics – aberration -

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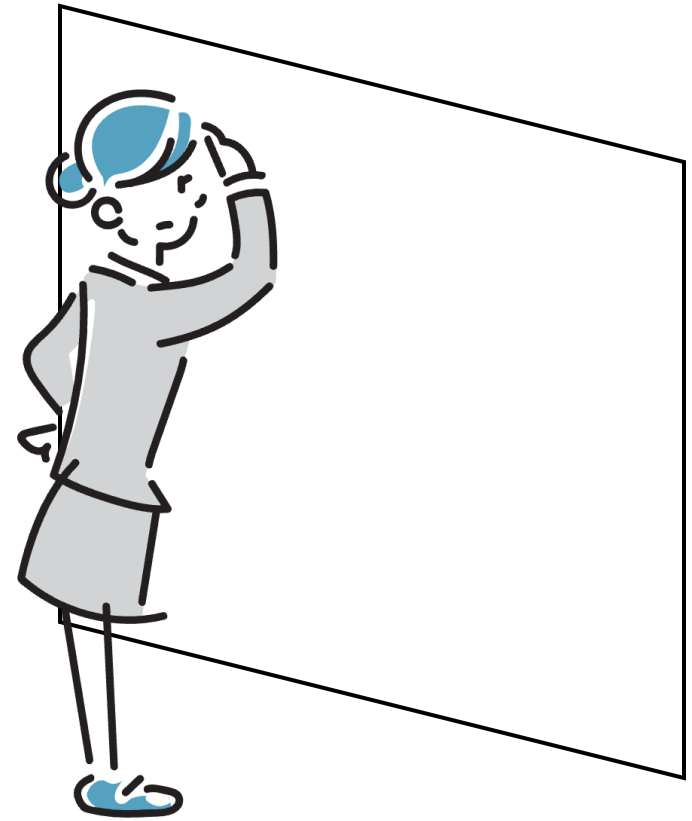
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What is image?

We can see ...



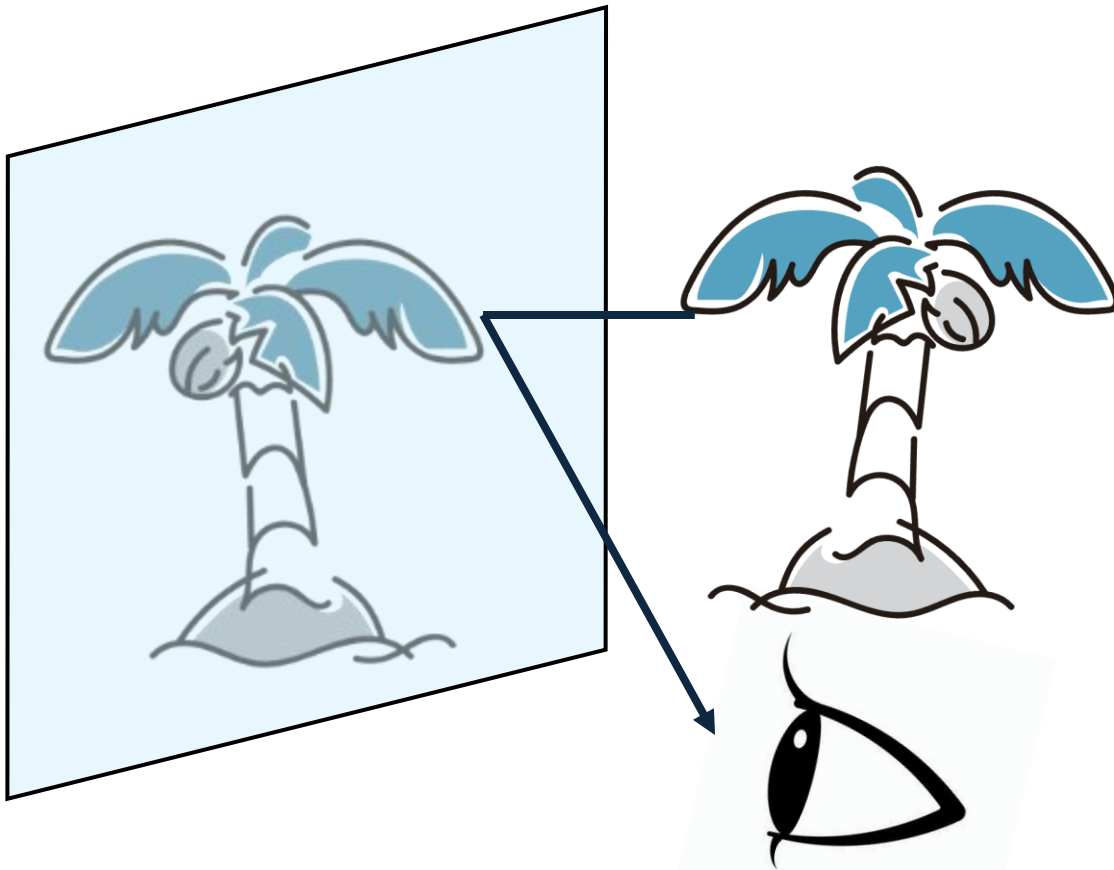
✓ in mirror



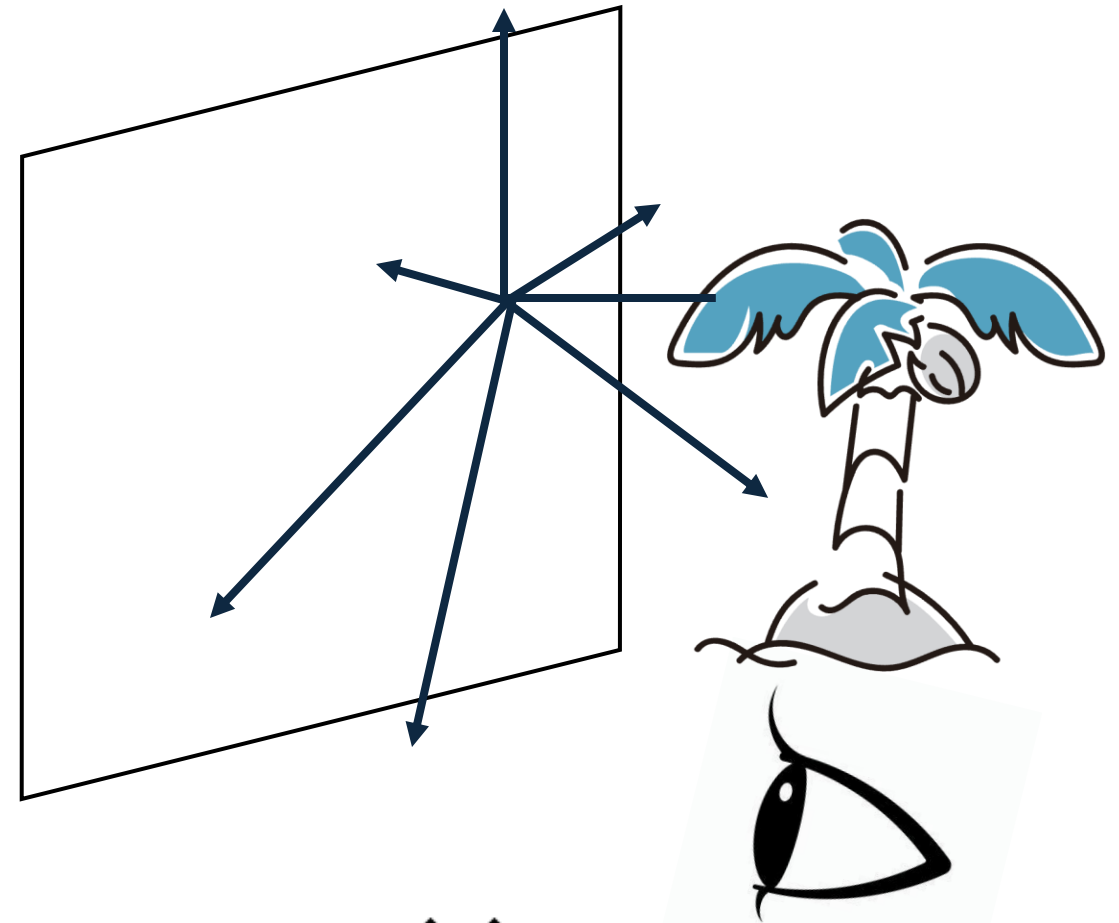
✗ in wall

What is image?

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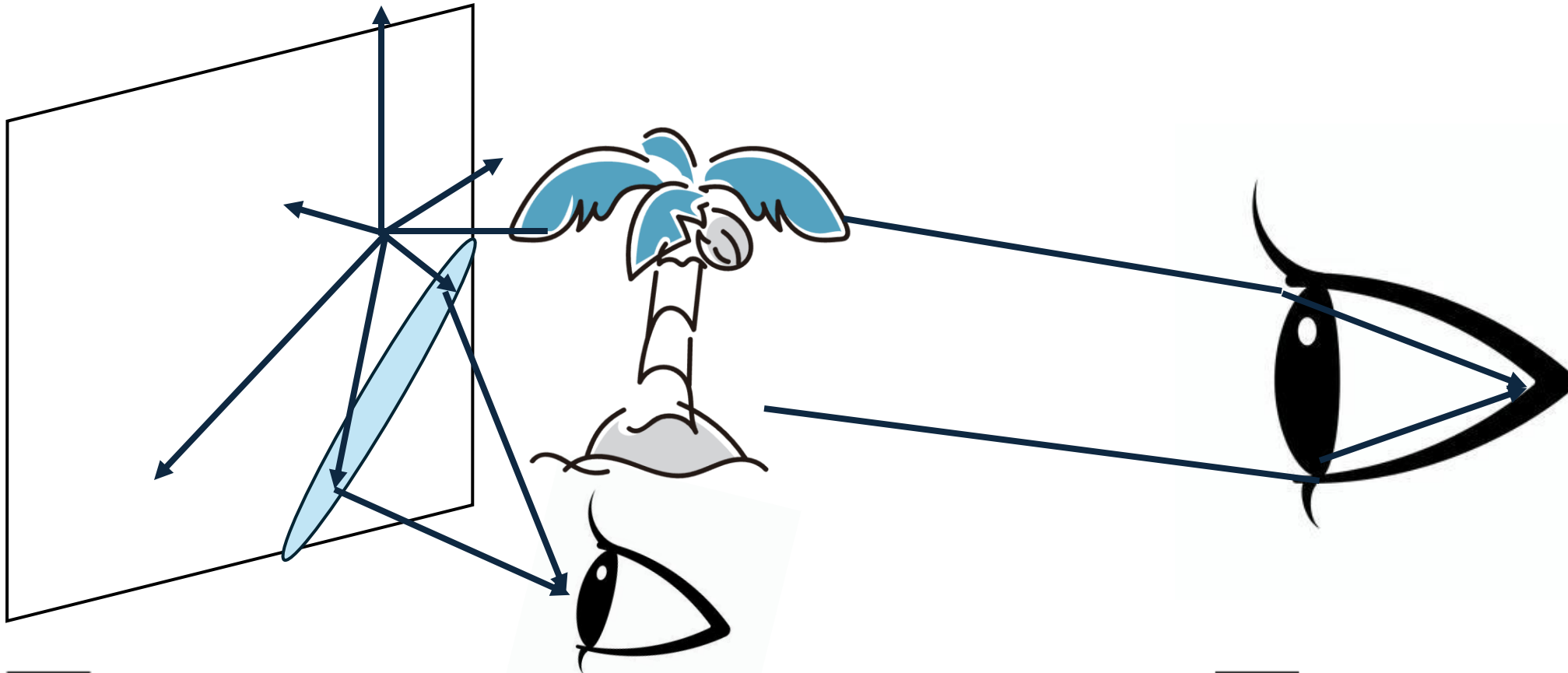
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What is image?

We can see ...

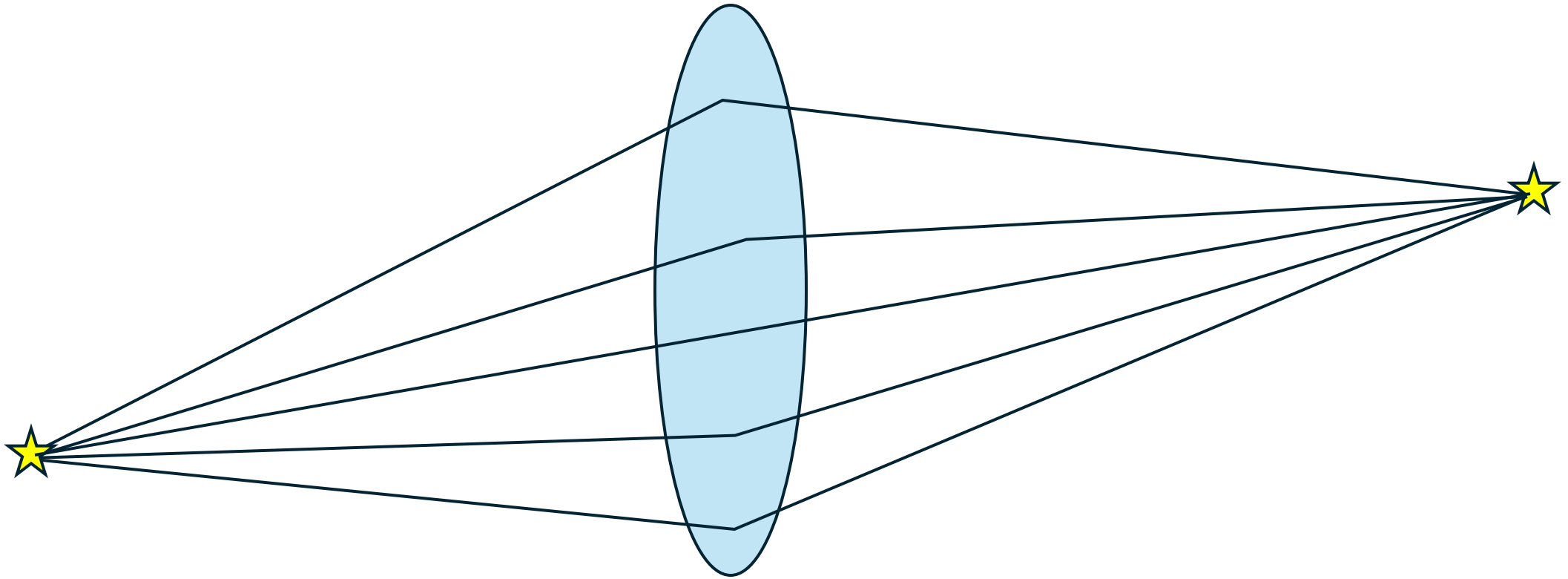


✓ with magnifying glass

✓ eye is also lens

about aberration

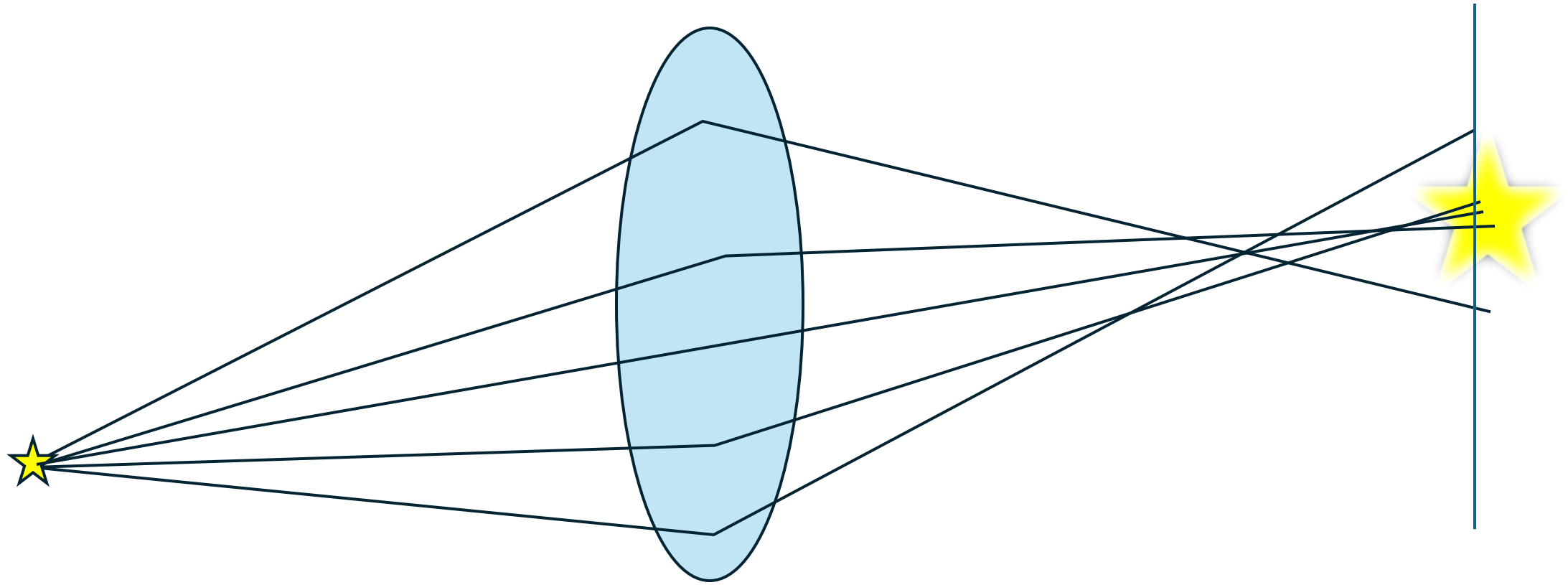
What is “ideal” image?



The light from a single point converges a single point
 \Rightarrow *ideal image*

about aberration

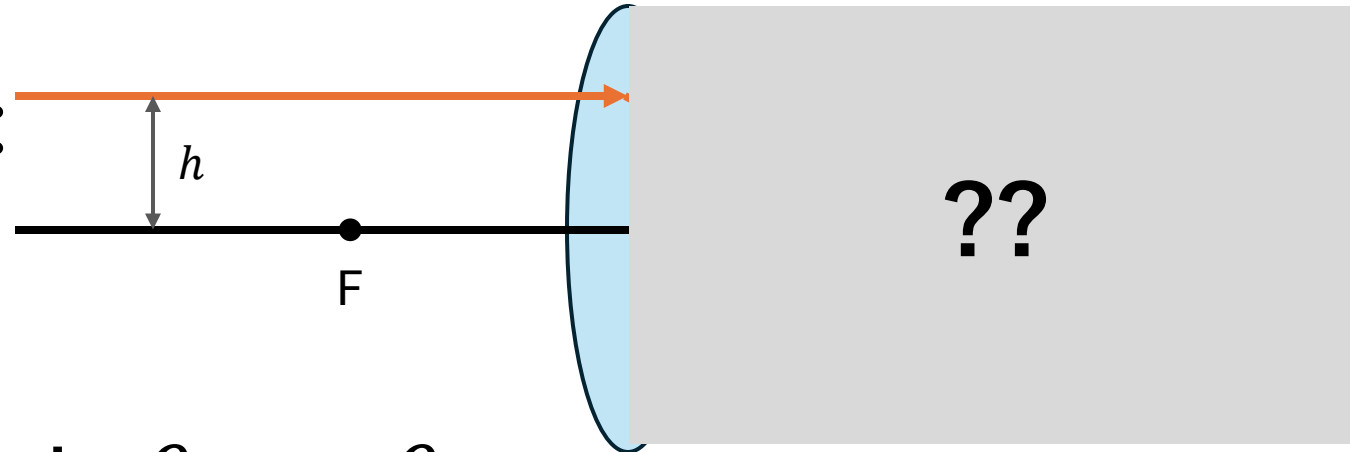
What is *not* “ideal” image?



The light from a single point **doesn't** converges a single point
⇒ **aberration**

What is “ideal” image?

What we learned in school :



Valid only near axis: $h = r \sin \theta \approx r \theta$ ✂ r : coerture of lens

Seidel region

$$h = r \sin \theta = r \left(\theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3} + \frac{\theta^5}{120} - \dots \right) \approx r \left(\theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3} \right)$$

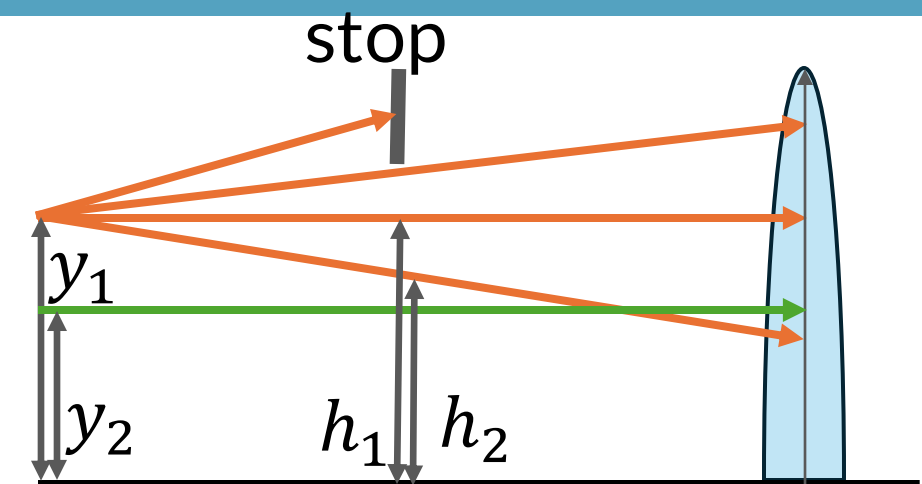


more realistic



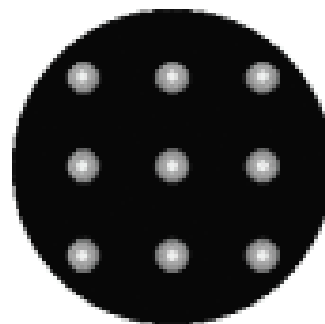
have to consider *aberration*

Seidel aberration



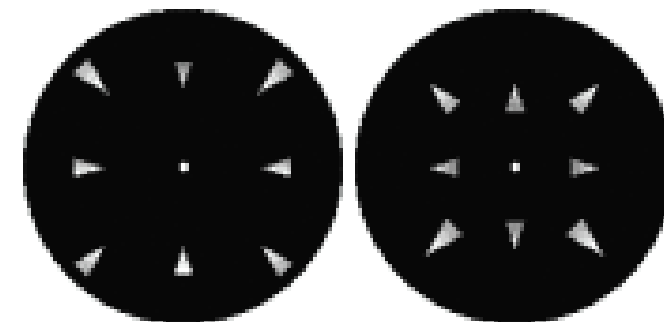
h : where the ray passes at stop
 y : the object height

Spherical aberration



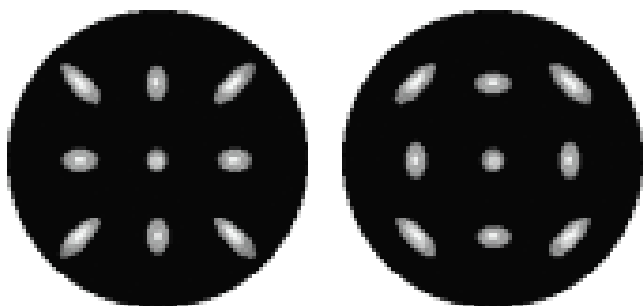
$$h^3$$

coma



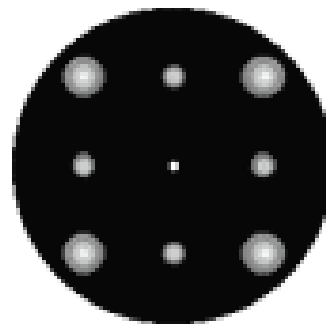
$$h^2 y$$

astigmatism



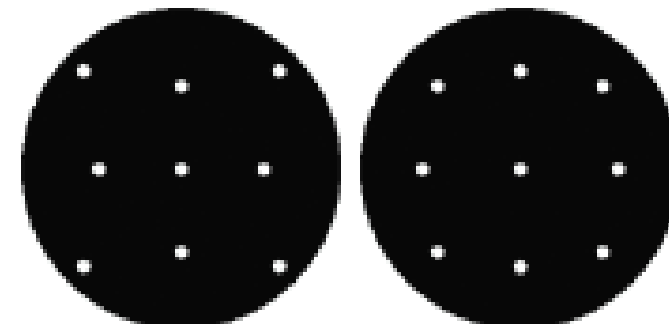
$$h y^2$$

field curvature



$$h y^2$$

distortion

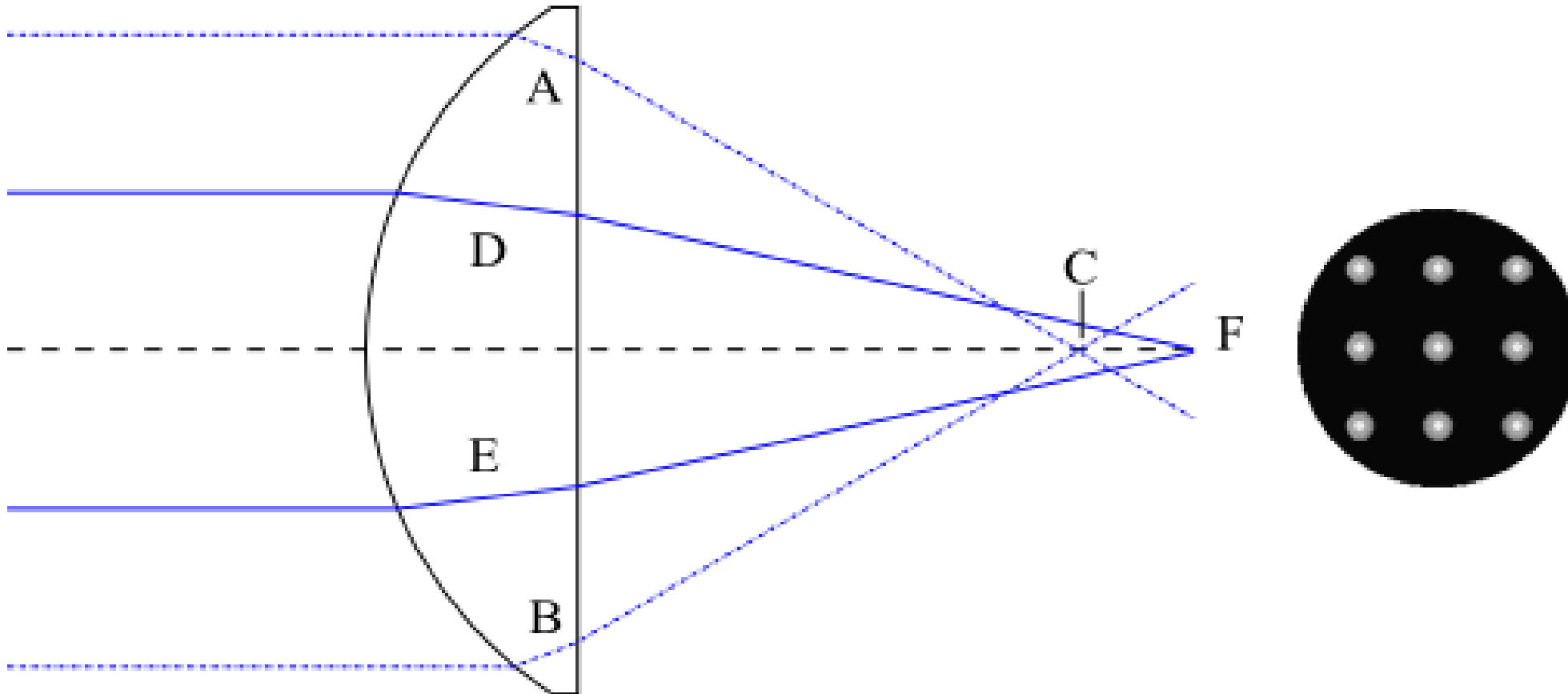


$$y^3$$

about aberration

Spherical aberration

proportional to h^3

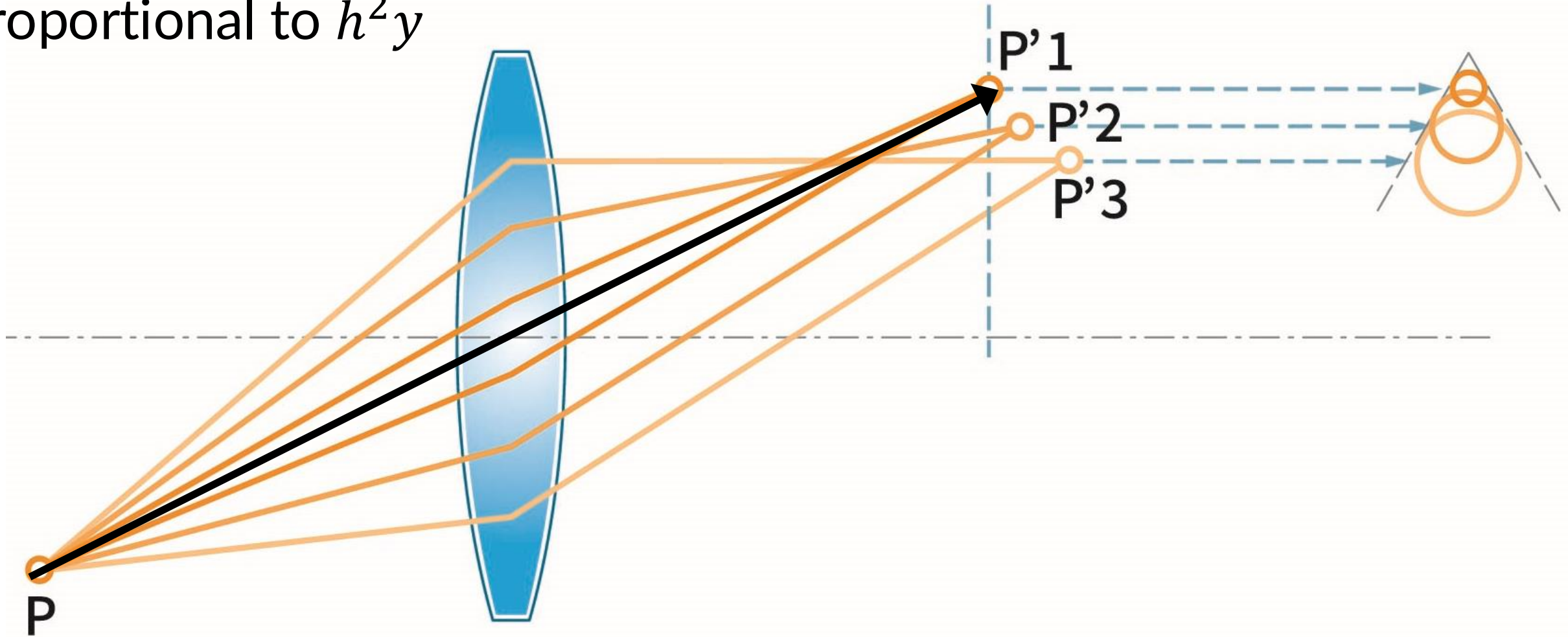


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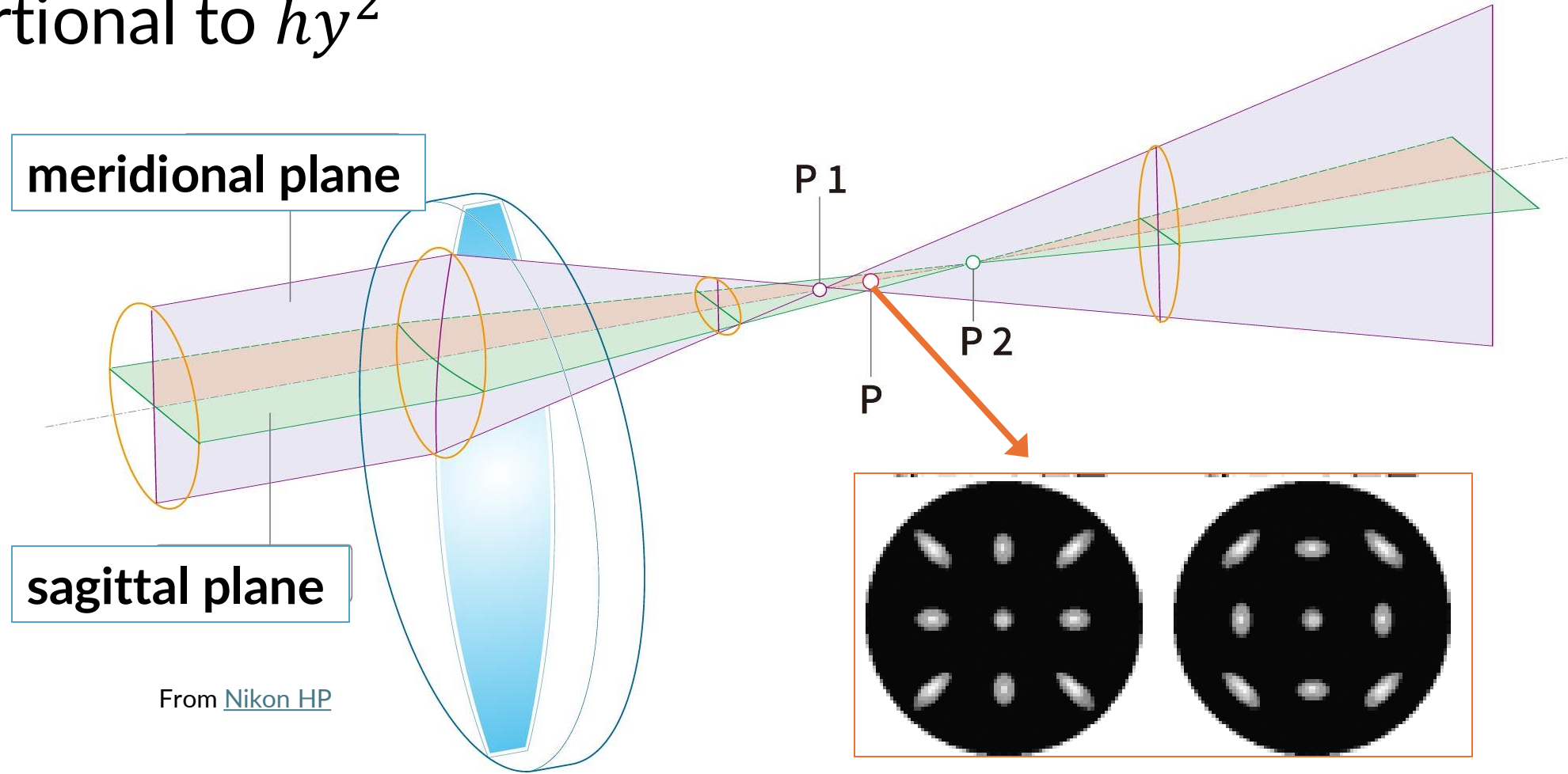
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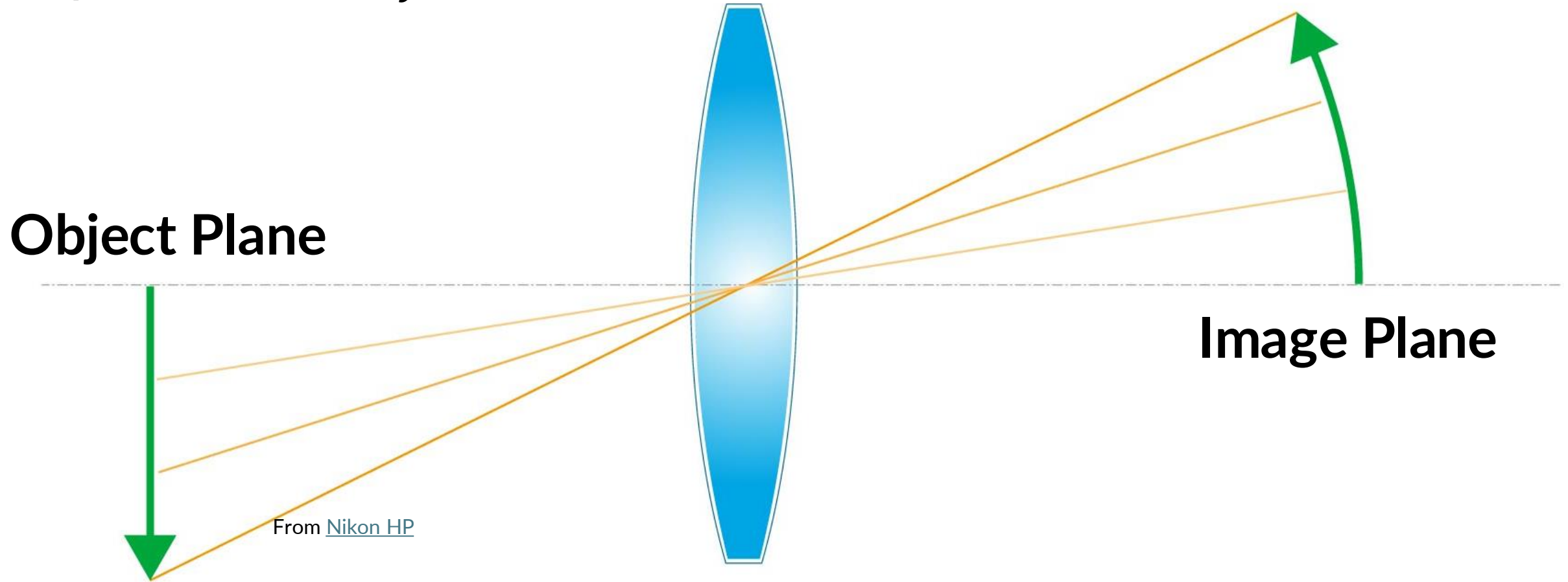
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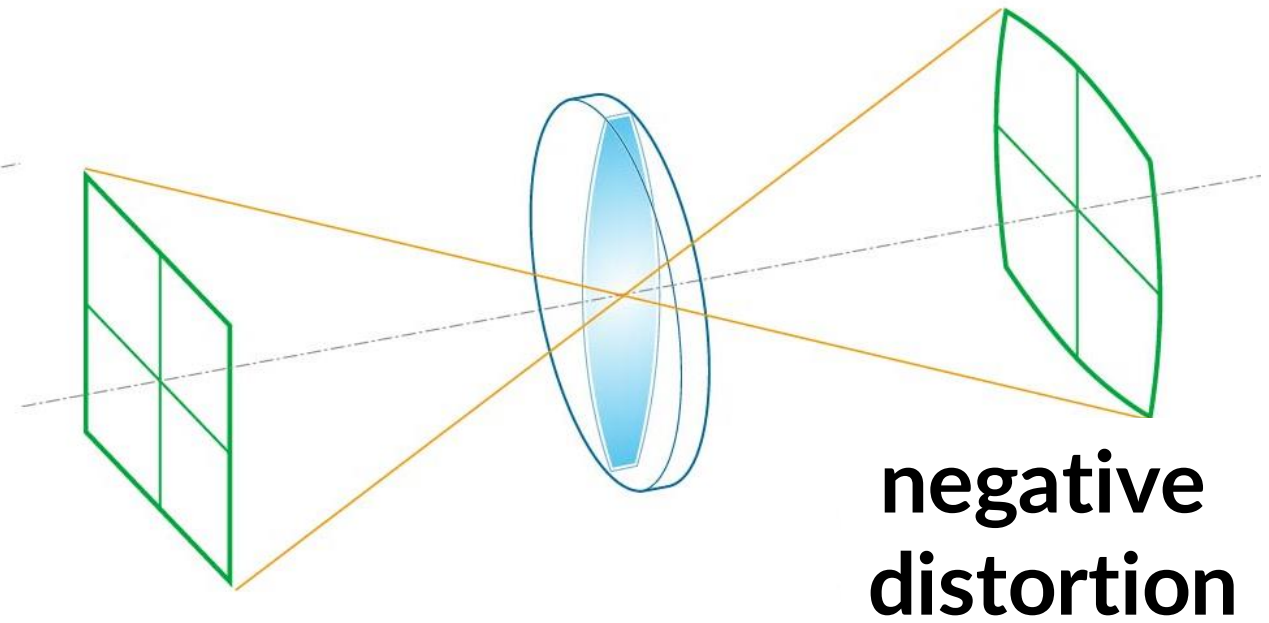
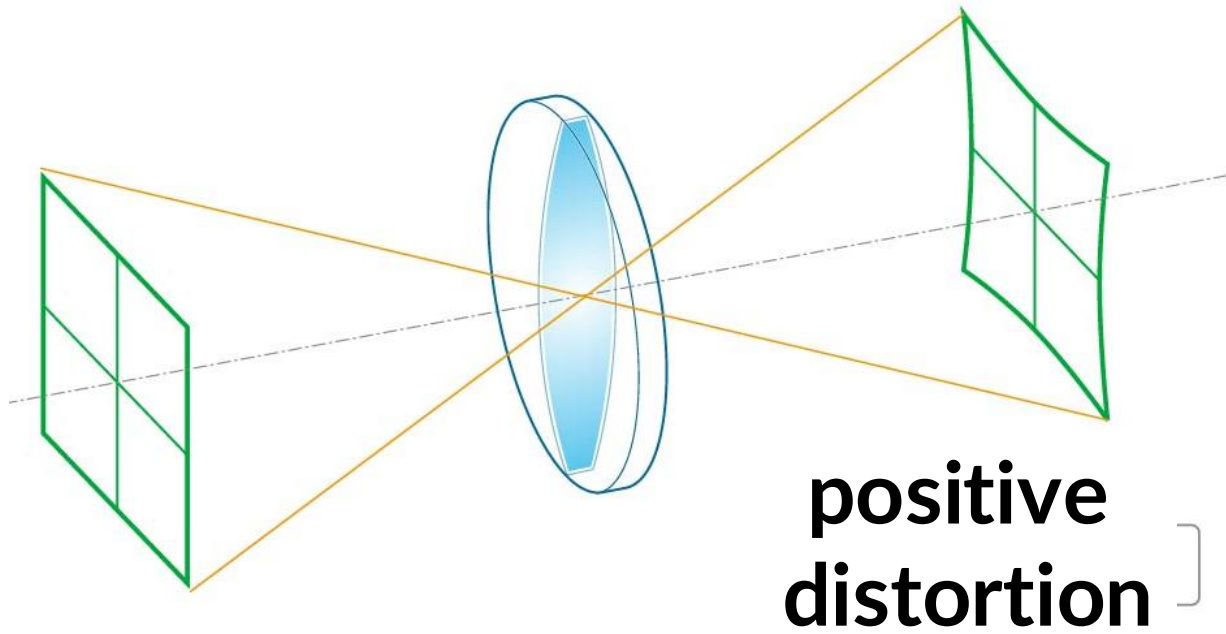
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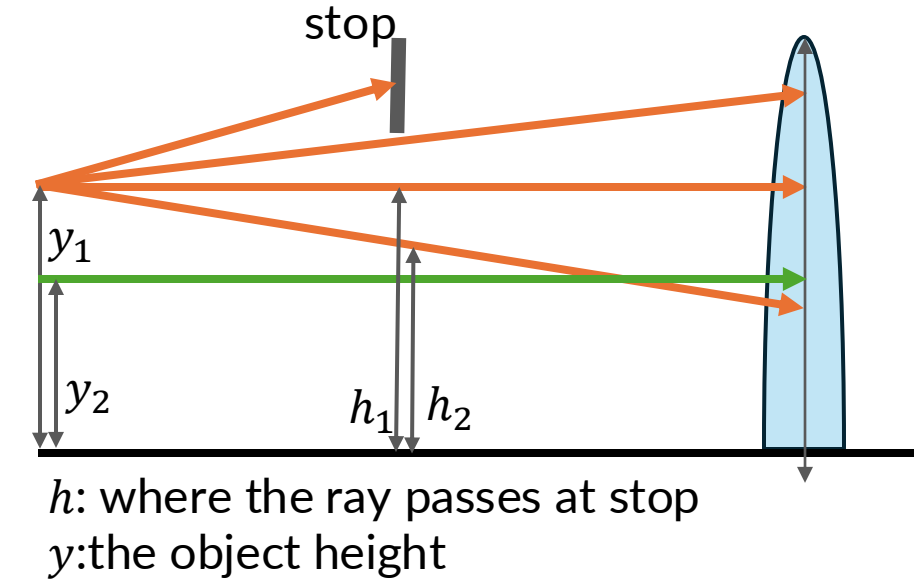
distortion

proportional to y^3

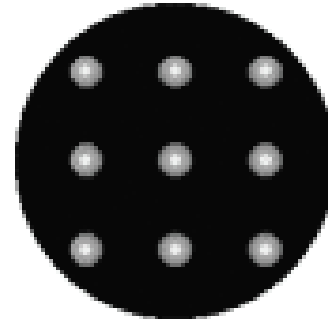


From [Nikon HP](#)

Seidel aberration

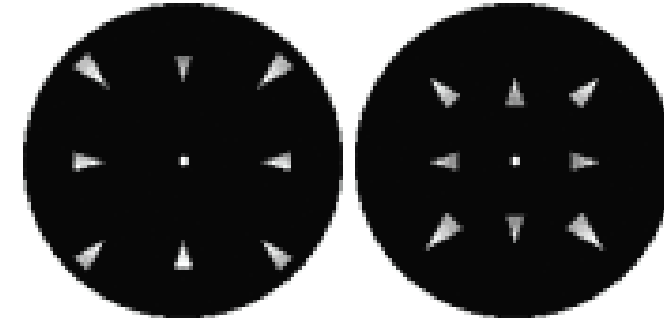


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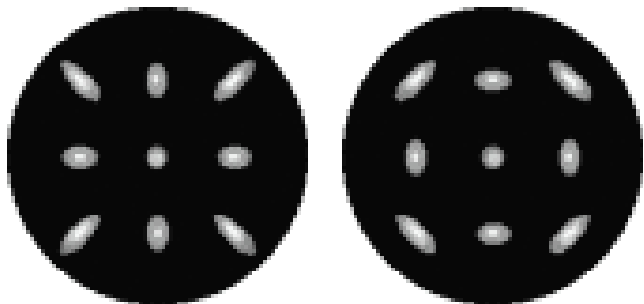
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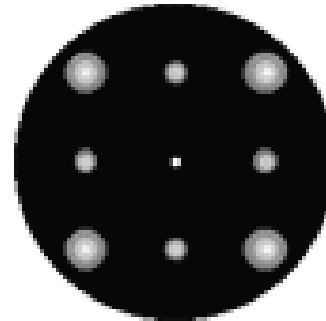
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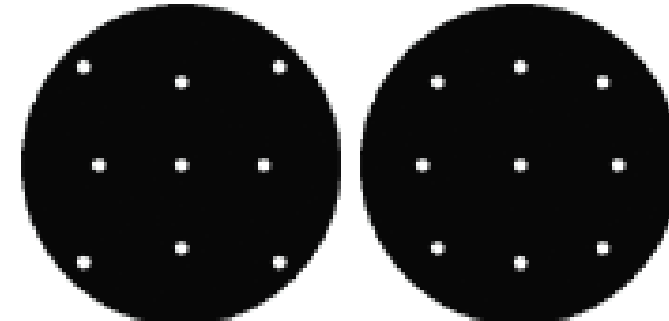
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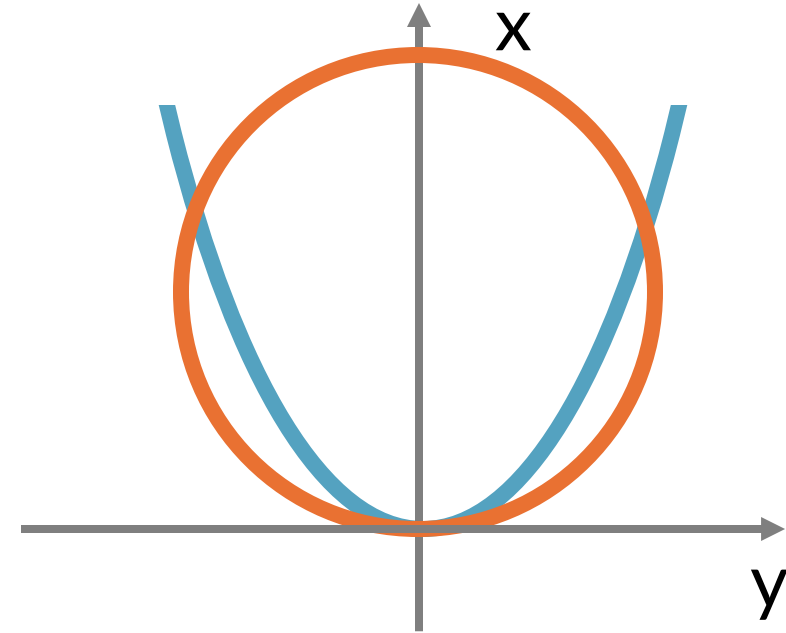


$$y^3$$

Deriving Spherical aberration

The equation for a conic section:

$$x = \frac{y^2}{R + \sqrt{R^2 - (K + 1)y^2}}$$



How big is the difference between
Sphere ($K = 0$) and Parabola ($K = -1$)??

Let's substitute and derive!

note ; $\frac{y}{R} \ll 1$

Deriving Spherical aberration

Answer

$$x(K = 0) - x(K = -1) \sim \frac{h^4}{8R^3}$$

Note :

This is “Wavefront Spherical Aberration”,
and you can derive h^3 by differentiate this

