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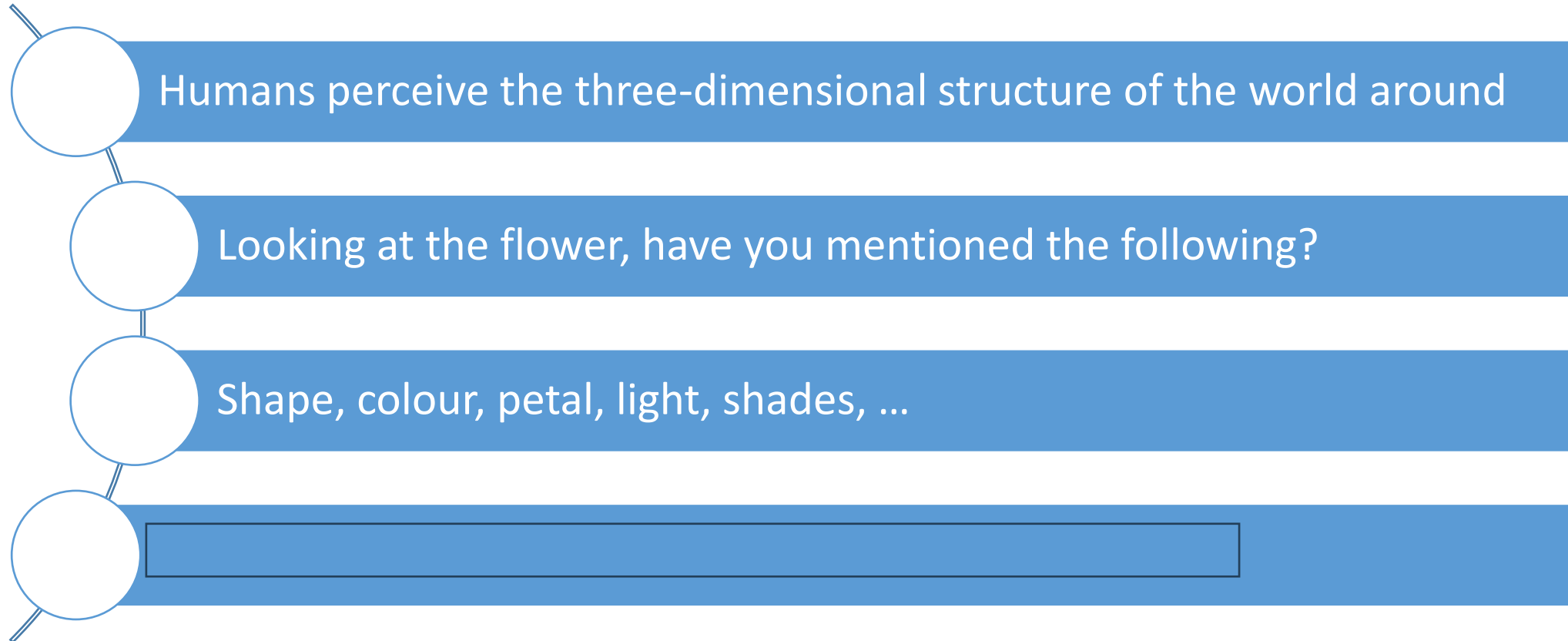


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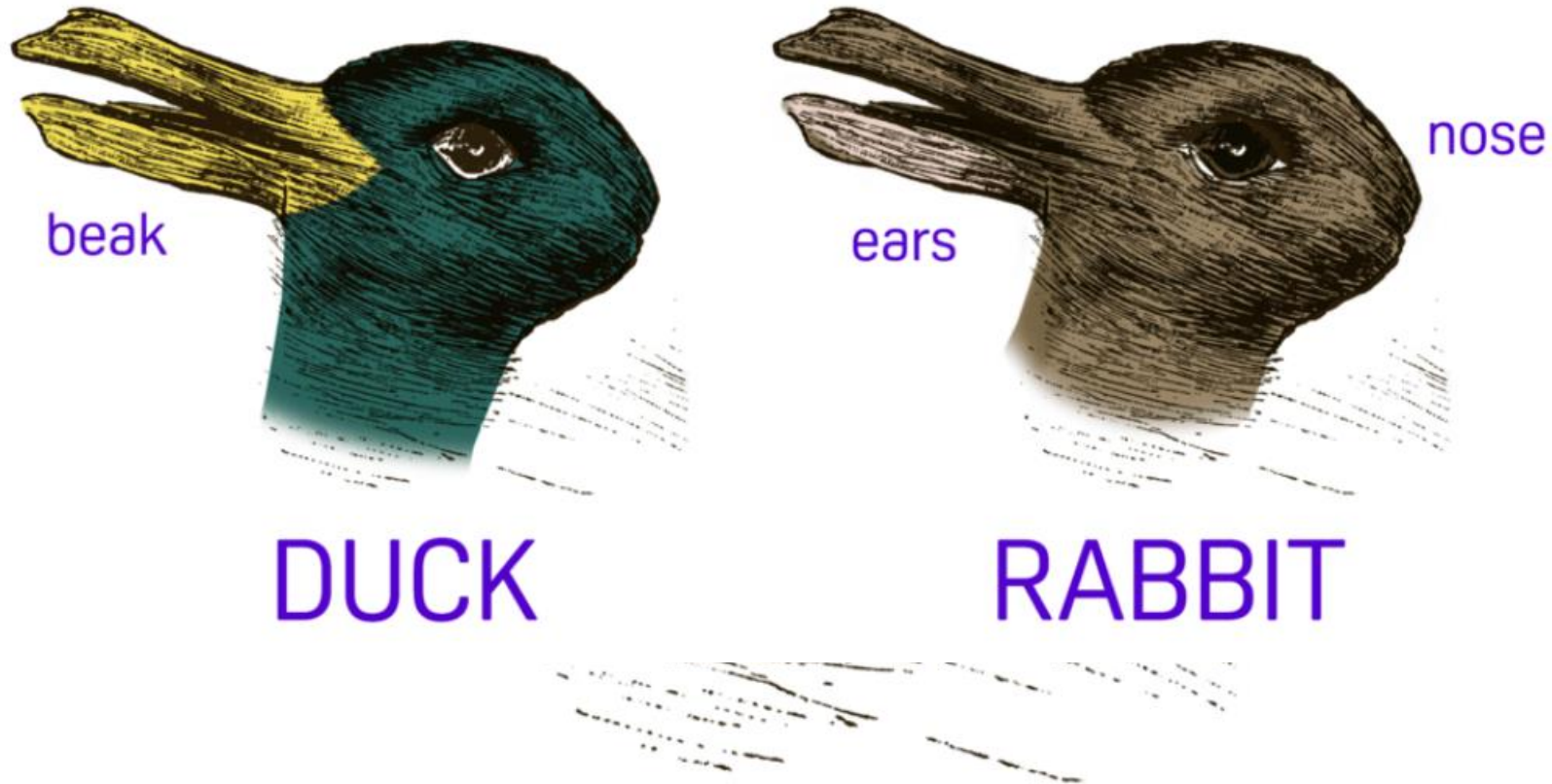
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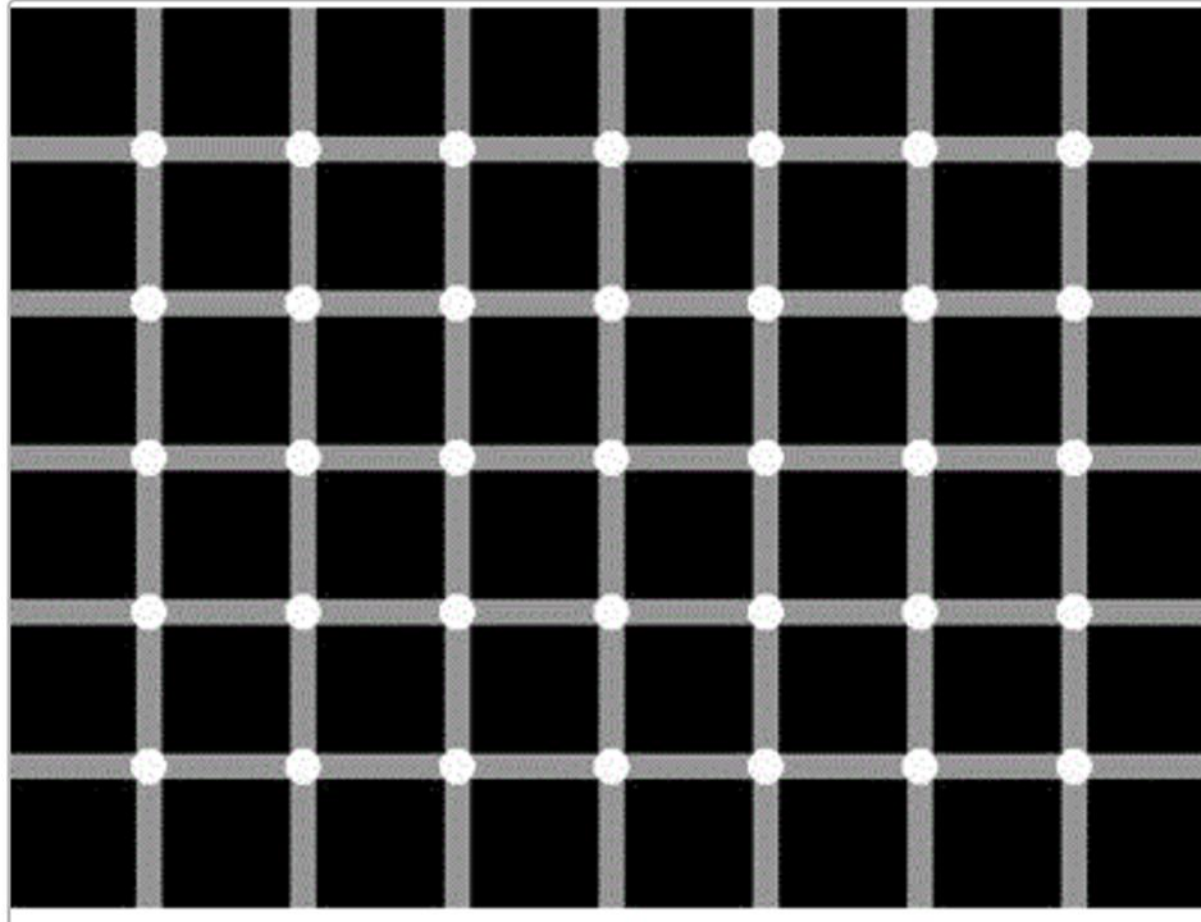
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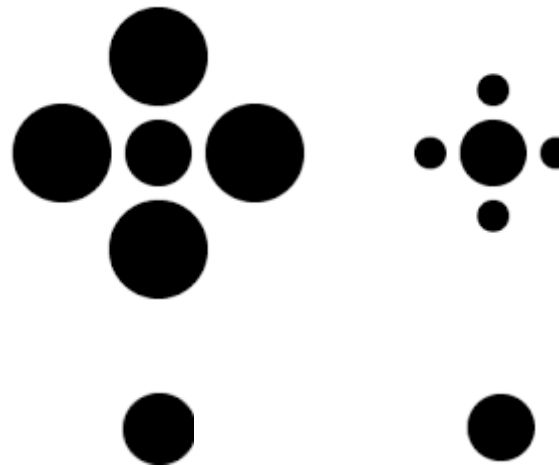
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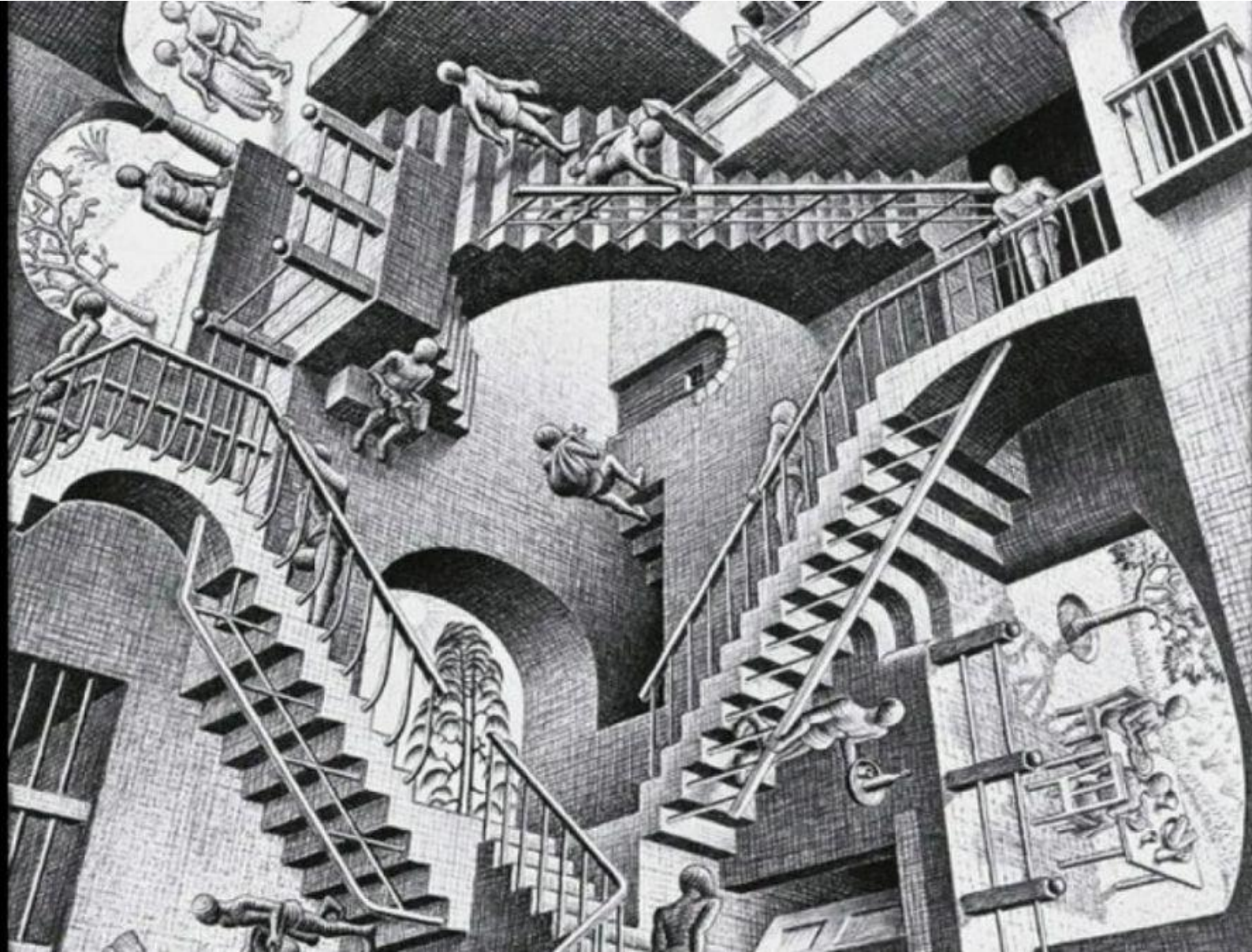
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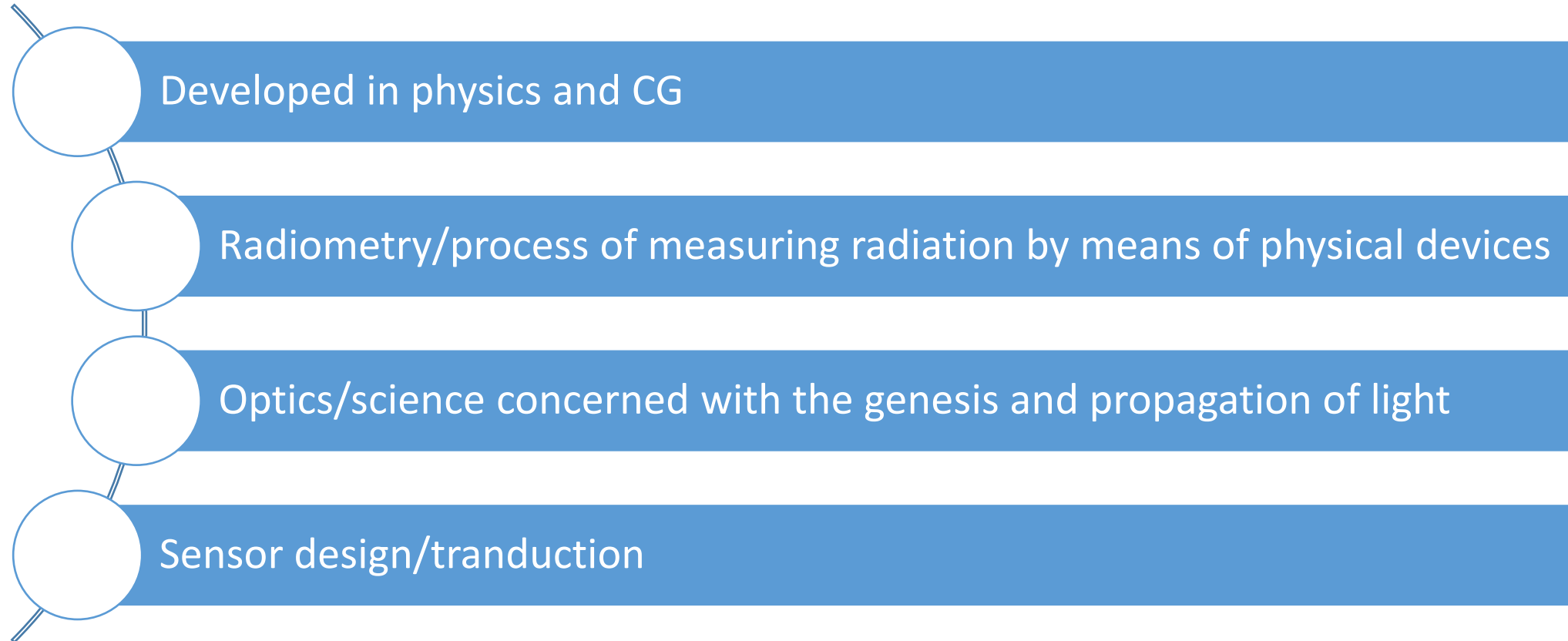
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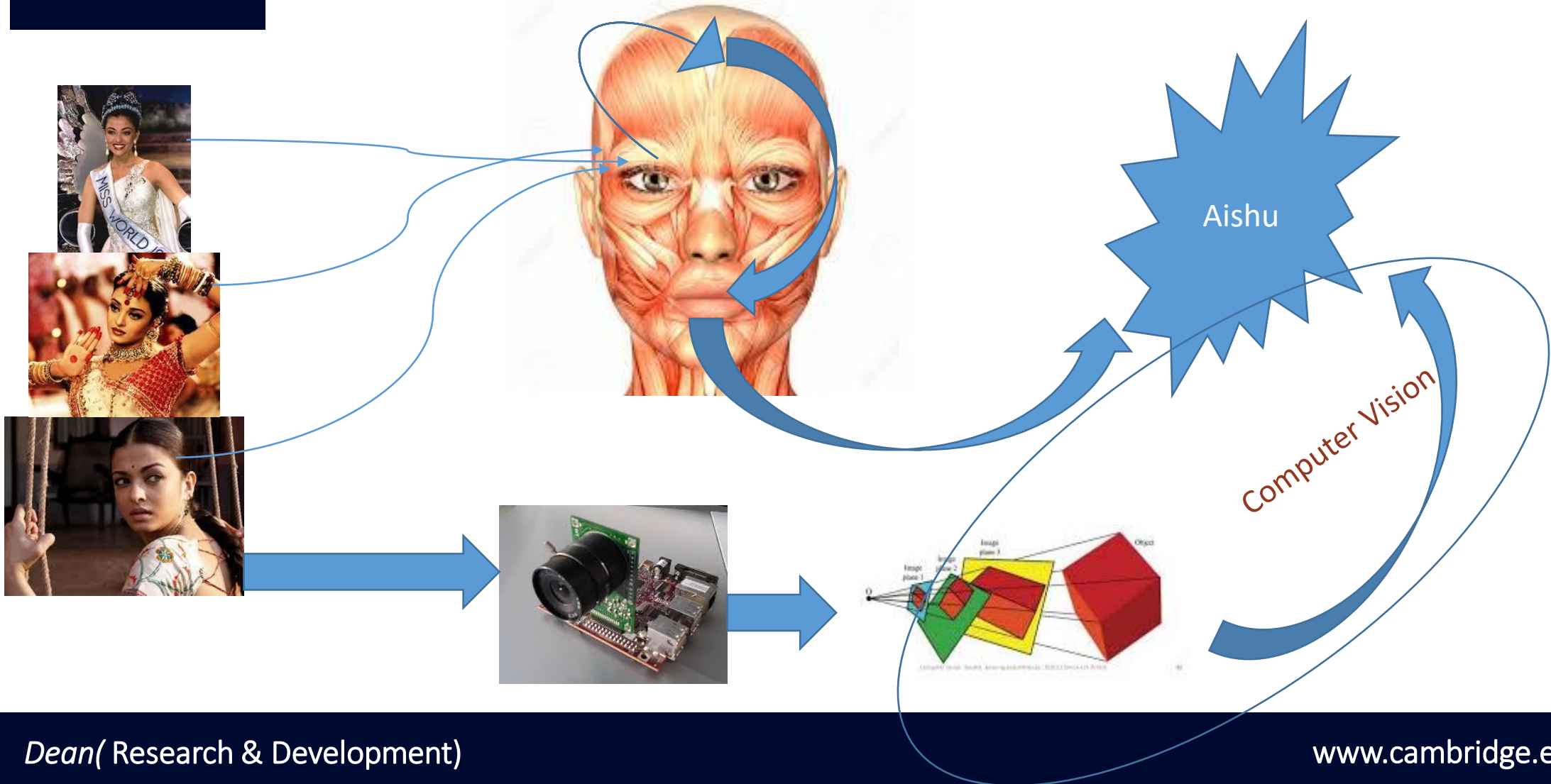
# CV is an inverse problem

- Seeking to recover some unknowns
- given insufficient information
- to fully specify the solution
- Resort to physics-based and probabilistic models

# Forward models in CV -



# What is computer vision? – inverse problem





# Applications of CV - OCR

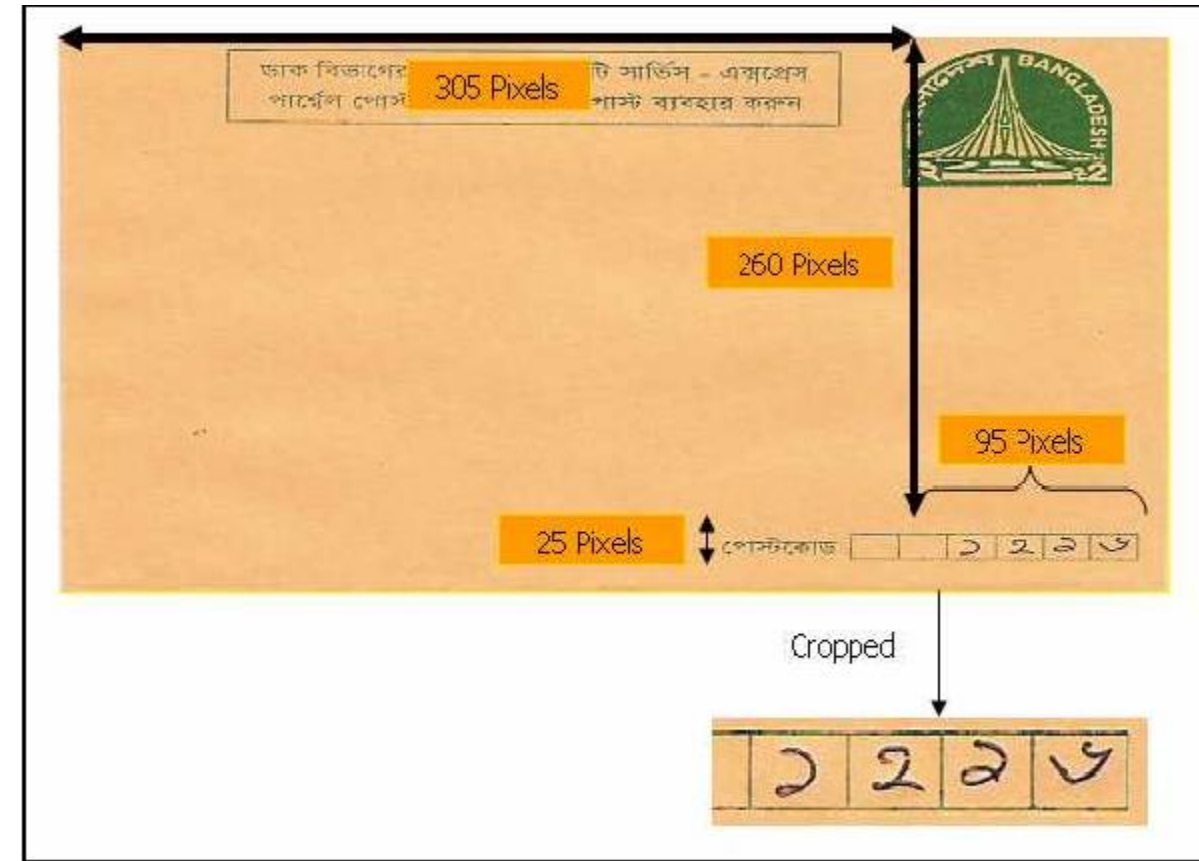
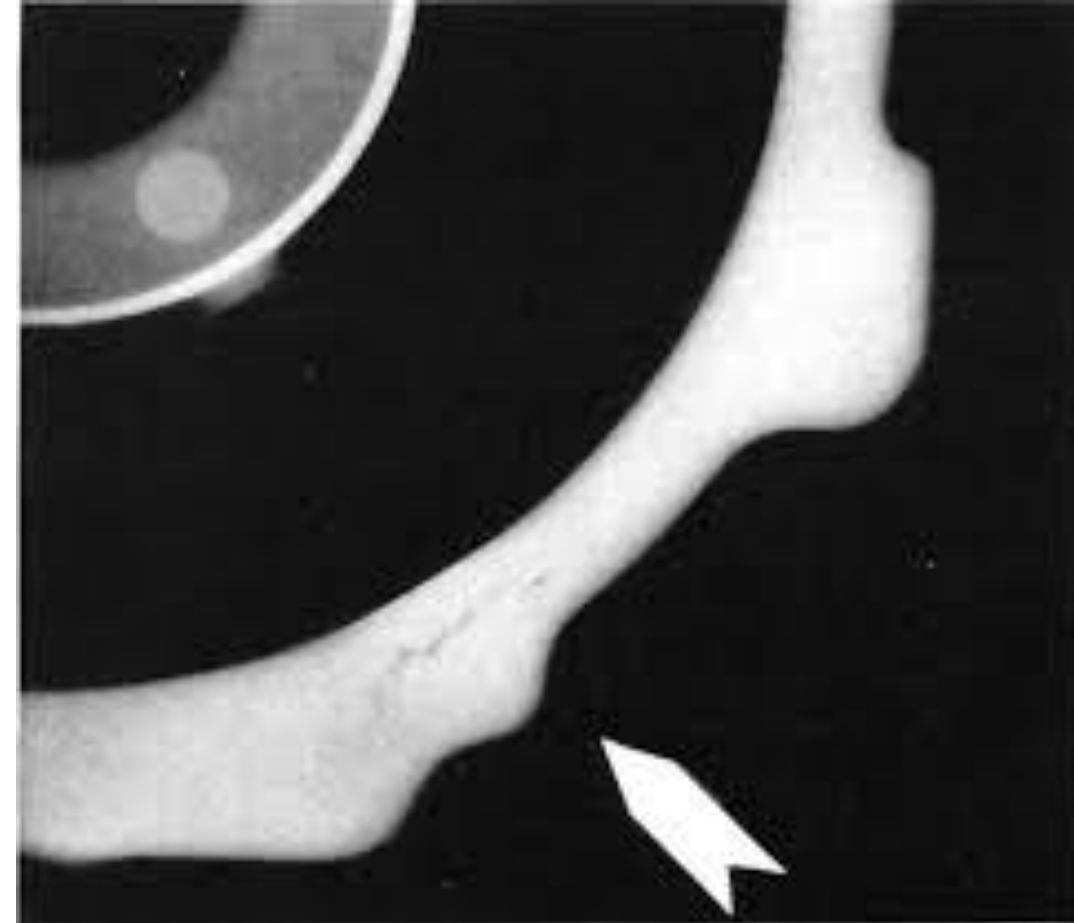


FIGURE 1.

# Applications of CV – Machine inspection



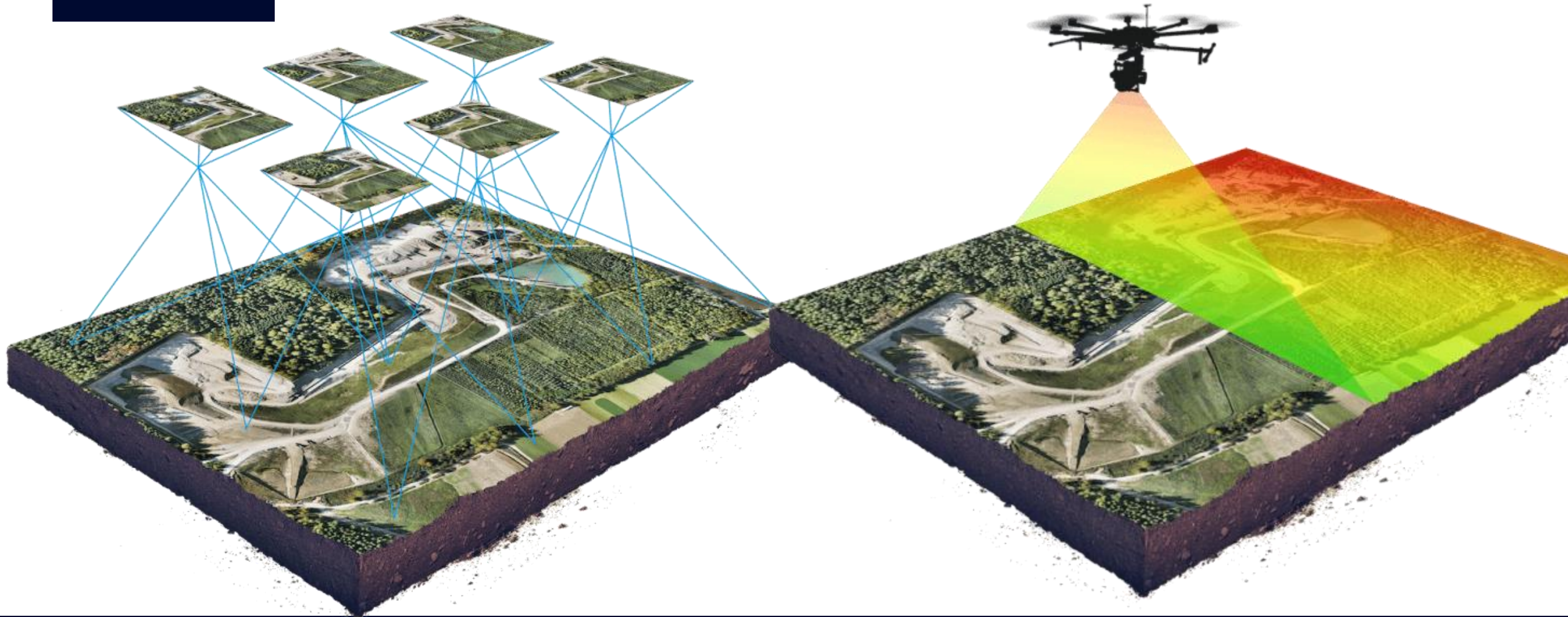


# Applications of CV - Retail





# Applications of CV – 3D model building (photogrammetry)



# Applications of CV - Medical imaging





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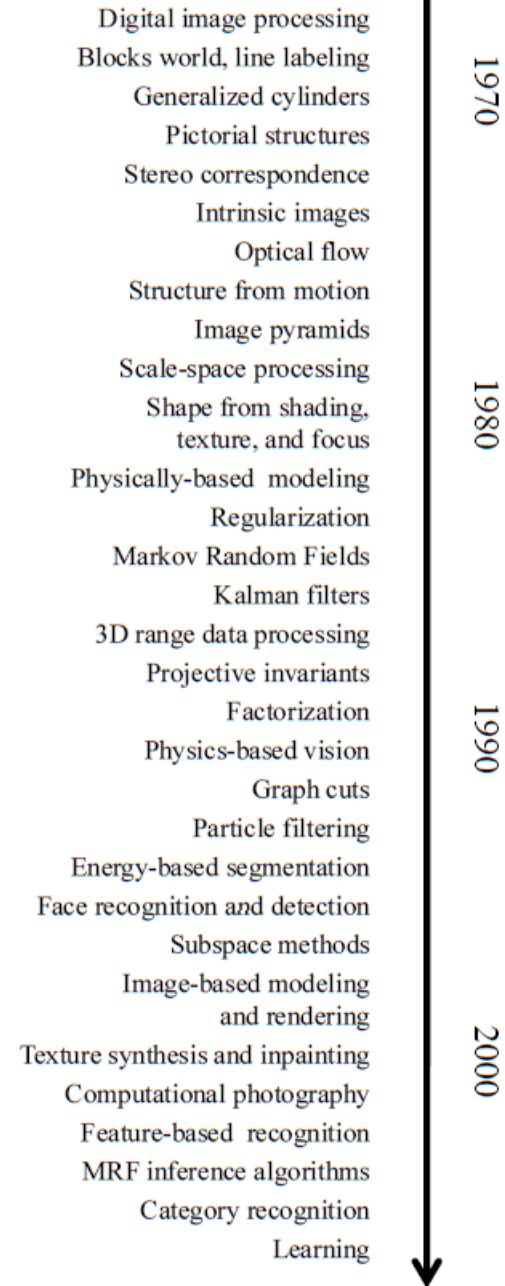
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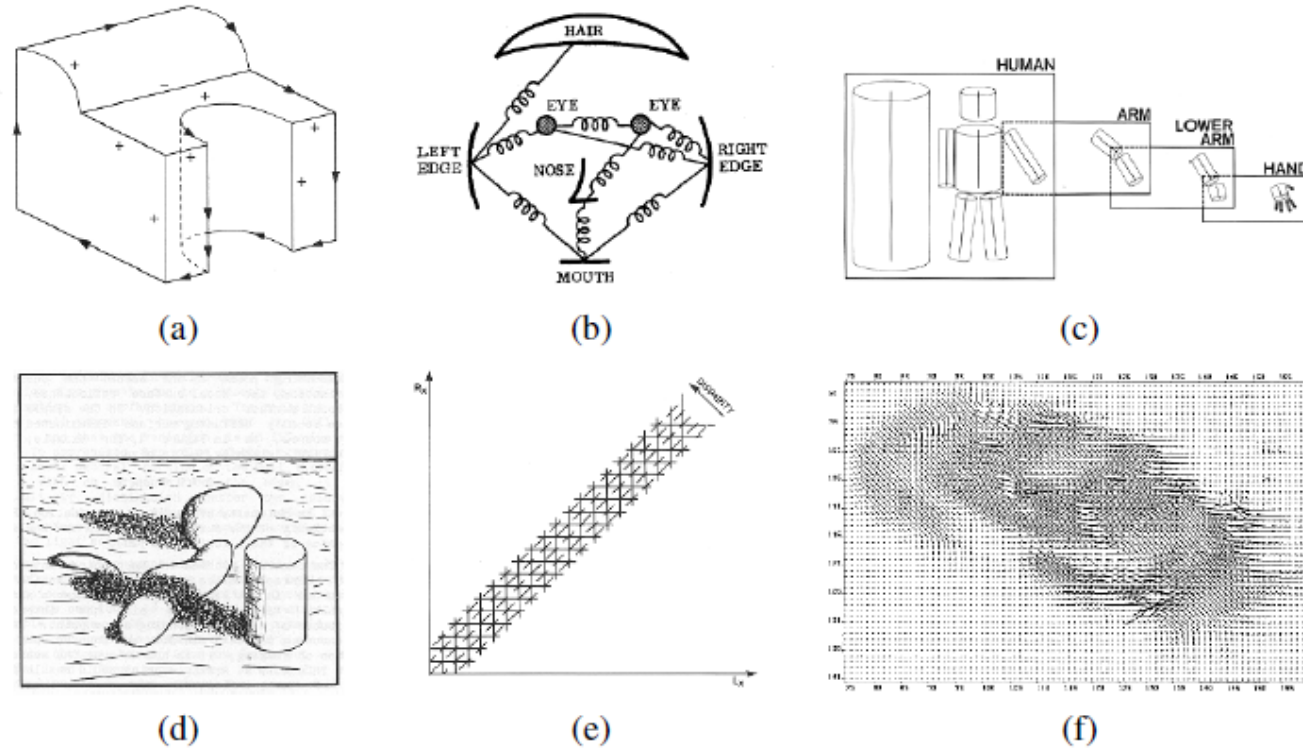
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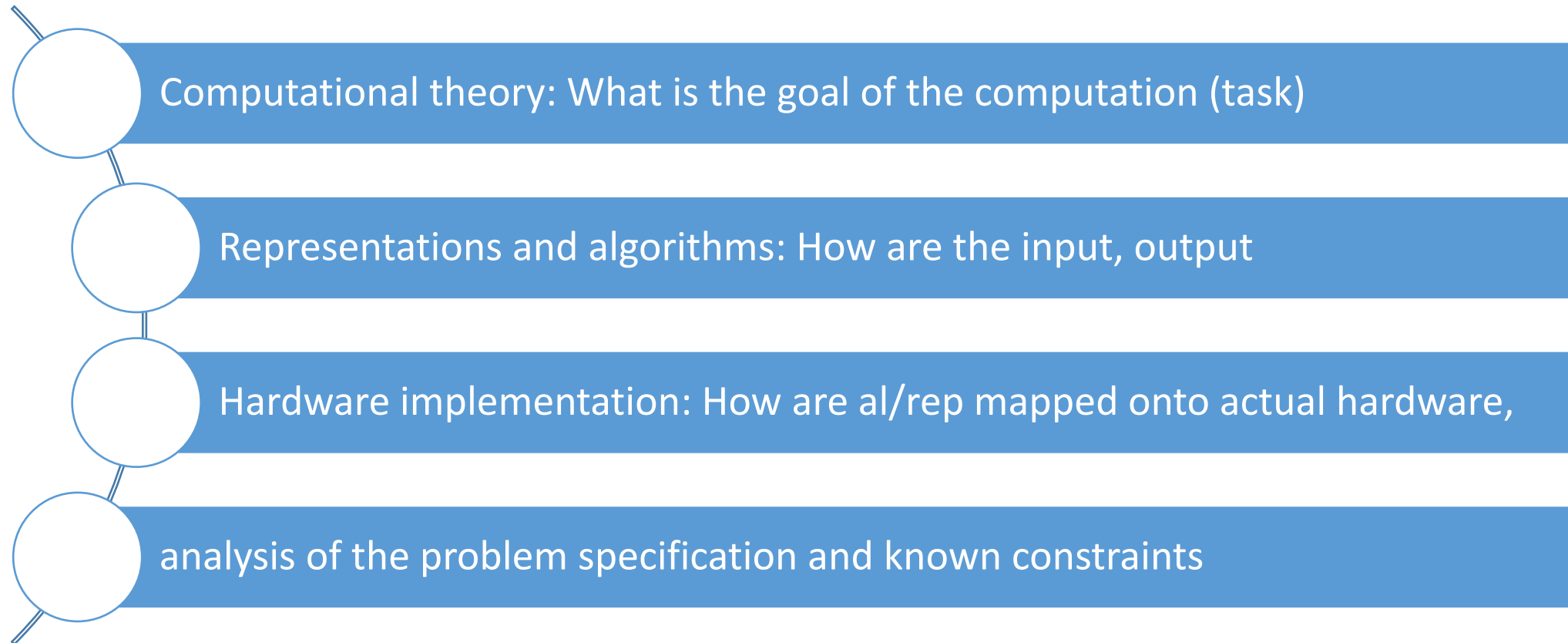
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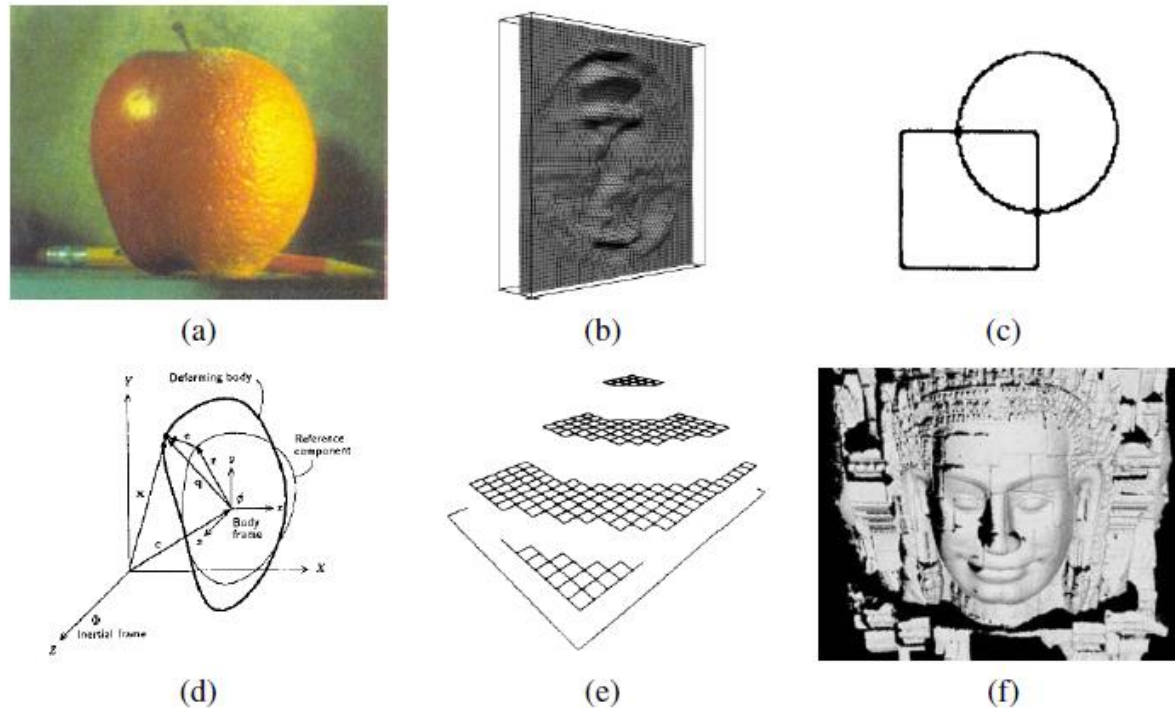
**Figure 1.7** Some early (1970s) examples of computer vision algorithms: (a) line labeling (Nalwa 1993) © 1993 Addison-Wesley, (b) pictorial structures (Fischler and Elschlager 1973) © 1973 IEEE, (c) articulated body model (Marr 1982) © 1982 David Marr, (d) intrinsic images (Barrow and Tenenbaum 1981) © 1973 IEEE, (e) stereo correspondence (Marr 1982) © 1982 David Marr, (f) optical flow (Nagel and Enkelmann 1986) © 1986 IEEE.



# Description of a (visual) information processing system

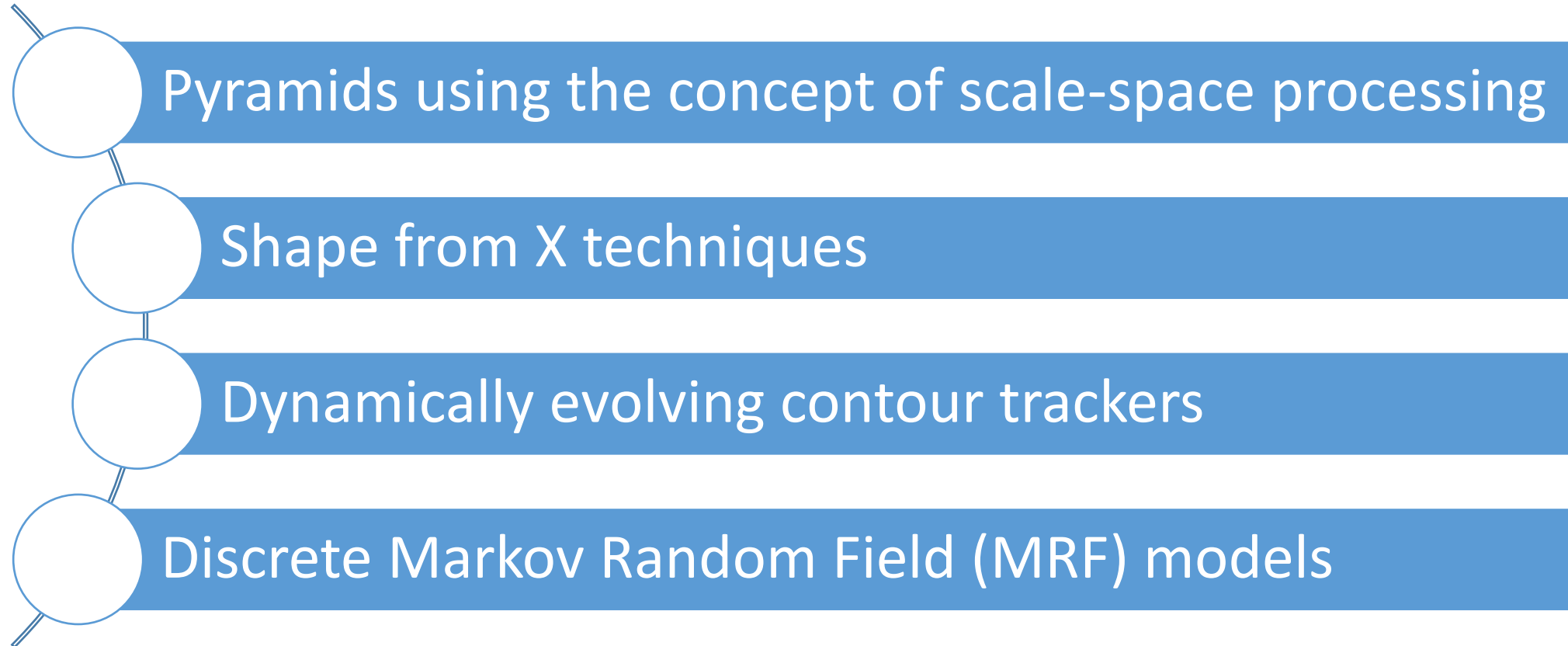


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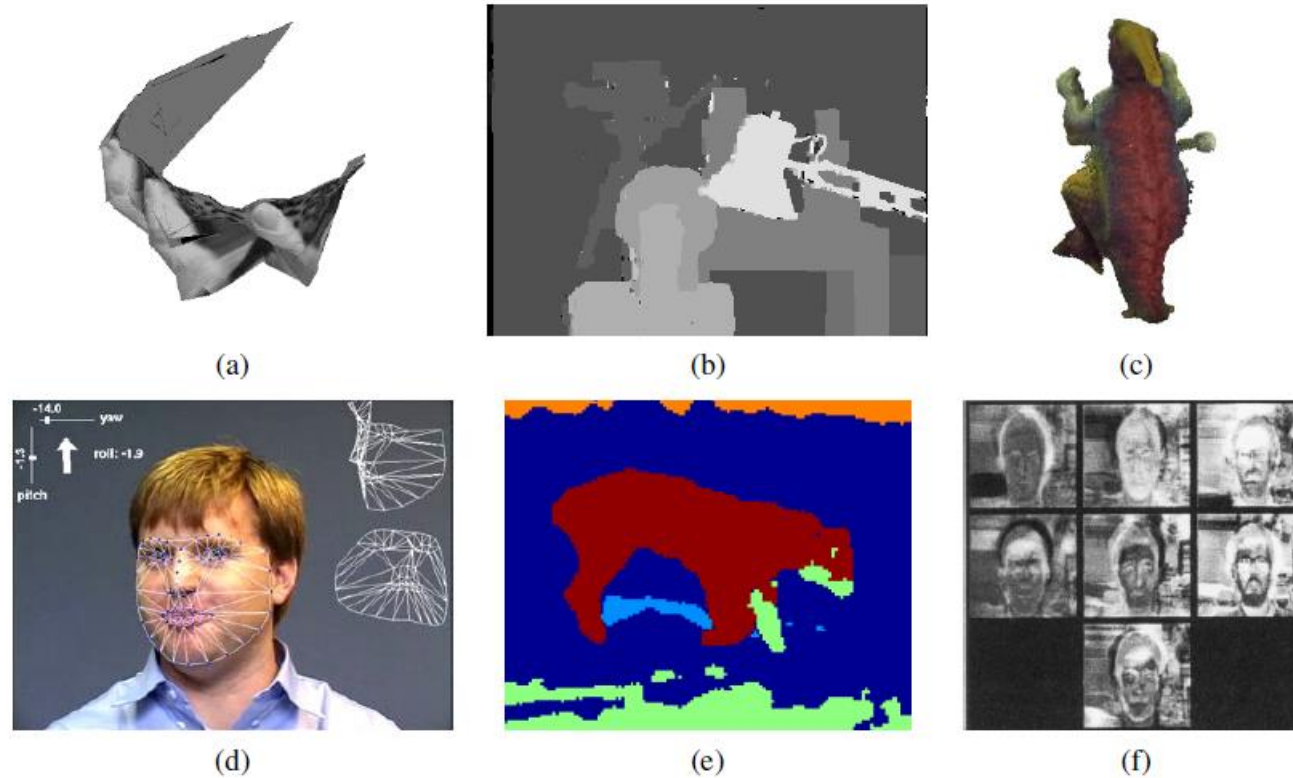


**Figure 1.8** Examples of computer vision algorithms from the 1980s: (a) pyramid blending (Burt and Adelson 1983b) © 1983 ACM, (b) shape from shading (Freeman and Adelson 1991) © 1991 IEEE, (c) edge detection (Freeman and Adelson 1991) © 1991 IEEE, (d) physically based models (Terzopoulos and Witkin 1988) © 1988 IEEE, (e) regularization-based surface reconstruction (Terzopoulos 1988) © 1988 IEEE, (f) range data acquisition and merging (Banno, Masuda, Oishi *et al.* 2008) © 2008 Springer.

# History of CV – 1980s

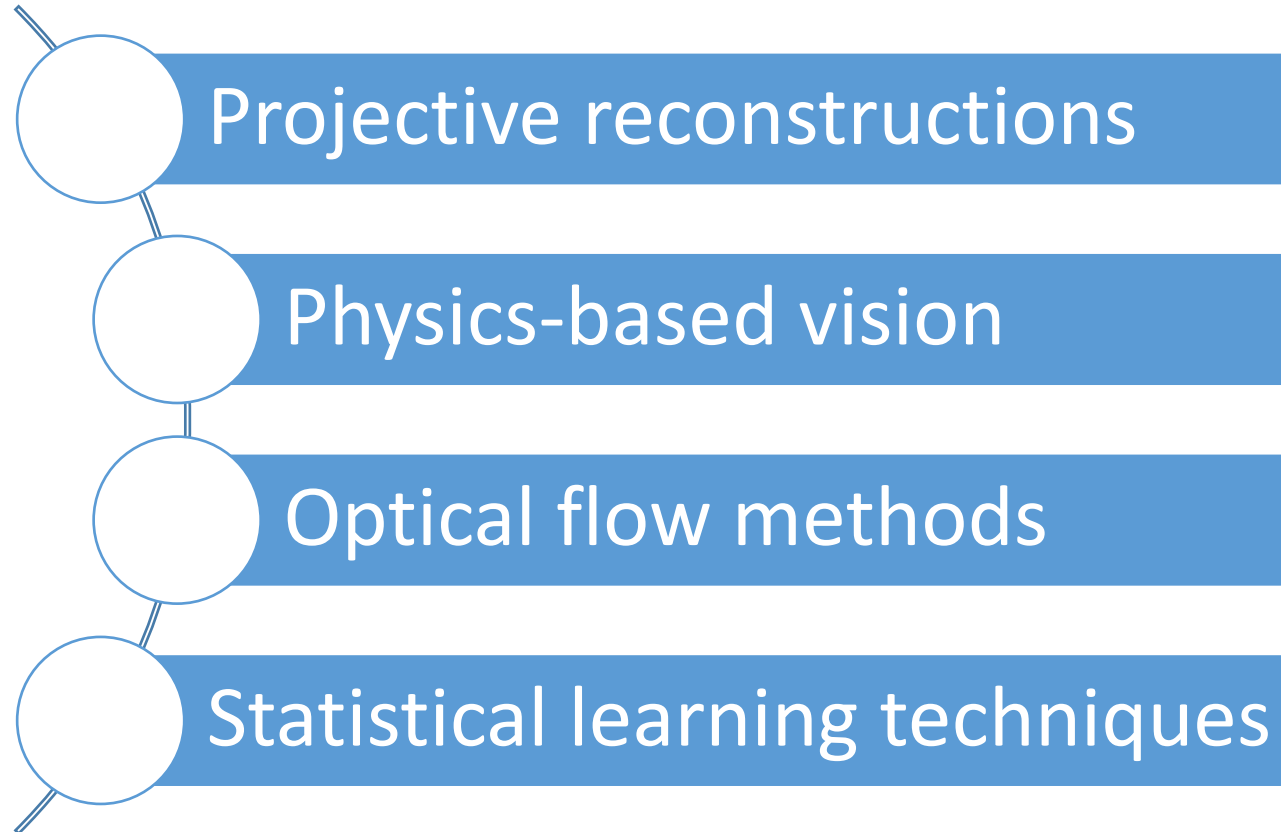


# History of CV – 1990s



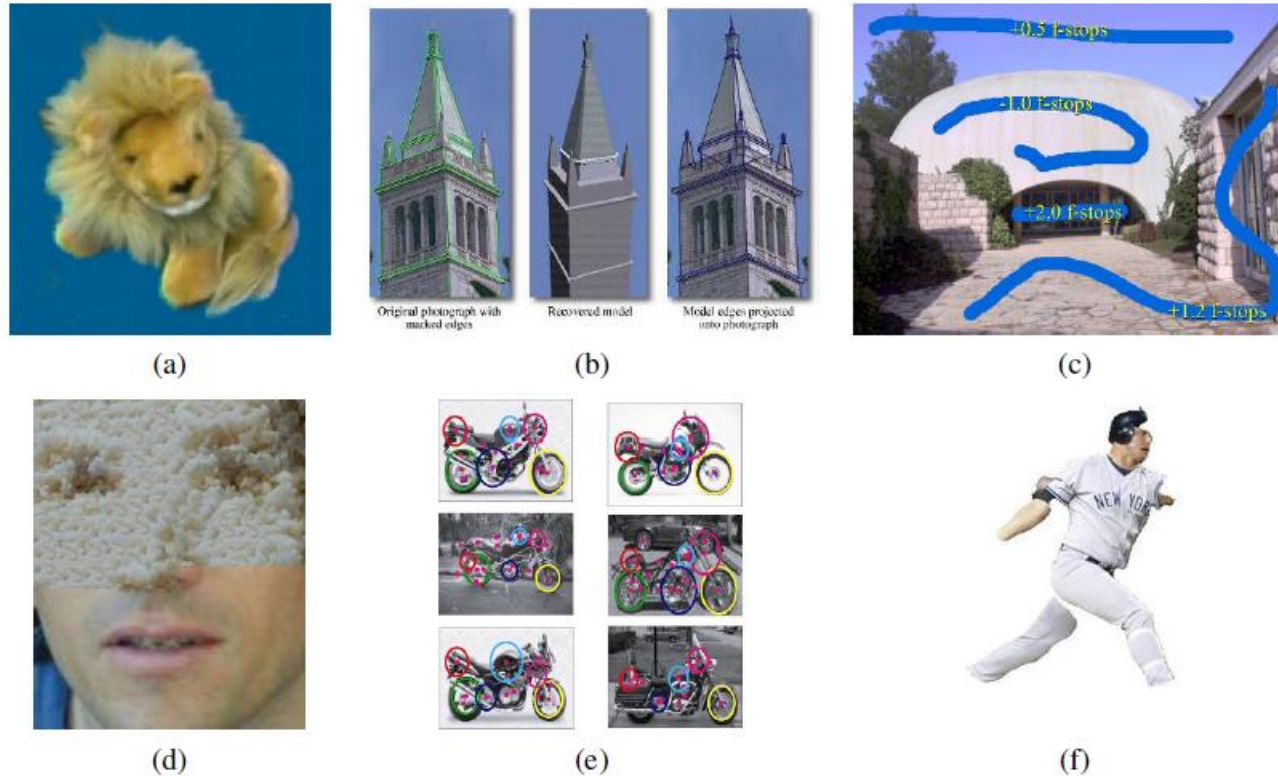
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# History of CV – 1990s



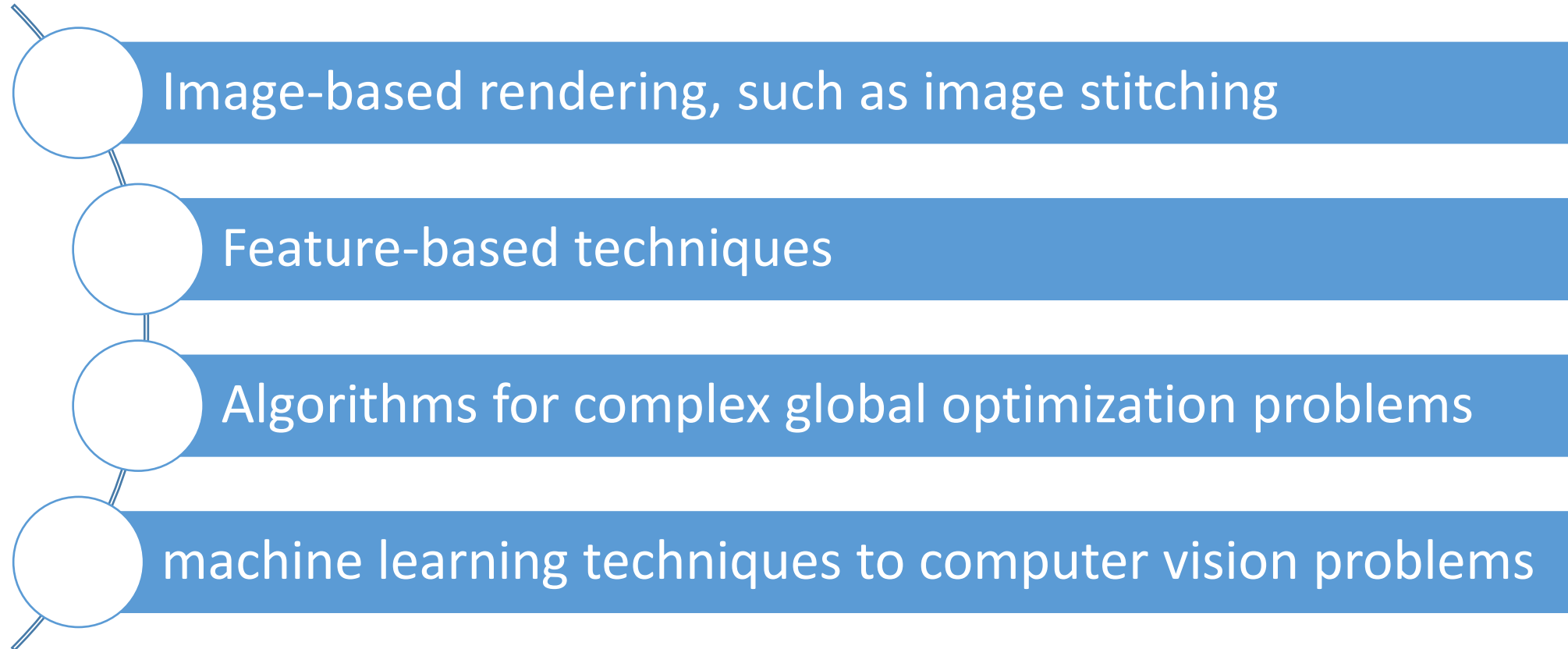


# History of CV – 2000s



**Figure 1.10** Recent examples of computer vision algorithms: (a) image-based rendering (Gortler, Grzeszczuk, Szeliski *et al.* 1996), (b) image-based modeling (Debevec, Taylor, and Malik 1996) © 1996 ACM, (c) interactive tone mapping (Lischinski, Farbman, Uyttendaele *et al.* 2006a) (d) texture synthesis (Efros and Freeman 2001), (e) feature-based recognition (Fergus, Perona, and Zisserman 2007), (f) region-based recognition (Mori, Ren, Efros *et al.* 2004) © 2004 IEEE.

# History of CV – 2000s



# Definition of CV

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Computer vision is the science of endowing computers or other machines with vision, or the ability to see. Vision is the interpretation of images that leads to actions or decisions, as in the navigation of an autonomous robot - Erik G. Learned-Miller

Computer vision (or image understanding) is generally defined as the construction of explicit, meaningful descriptions of the structure and the properties of the 3-dimensional world from 2-dimensional images - Andreas Schierwagen

visual functionalities that give rise to semantically meaningful interpretations of the visual world. - Stanford University vision lab

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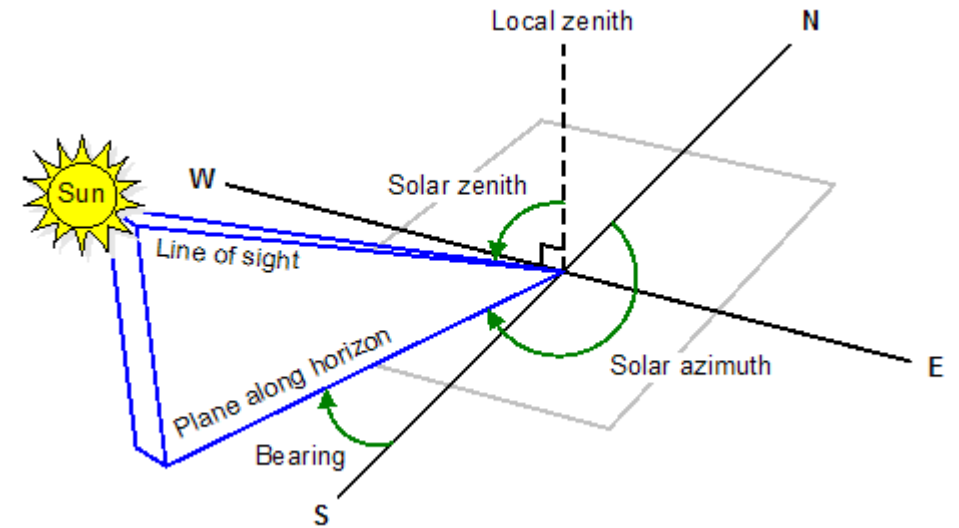
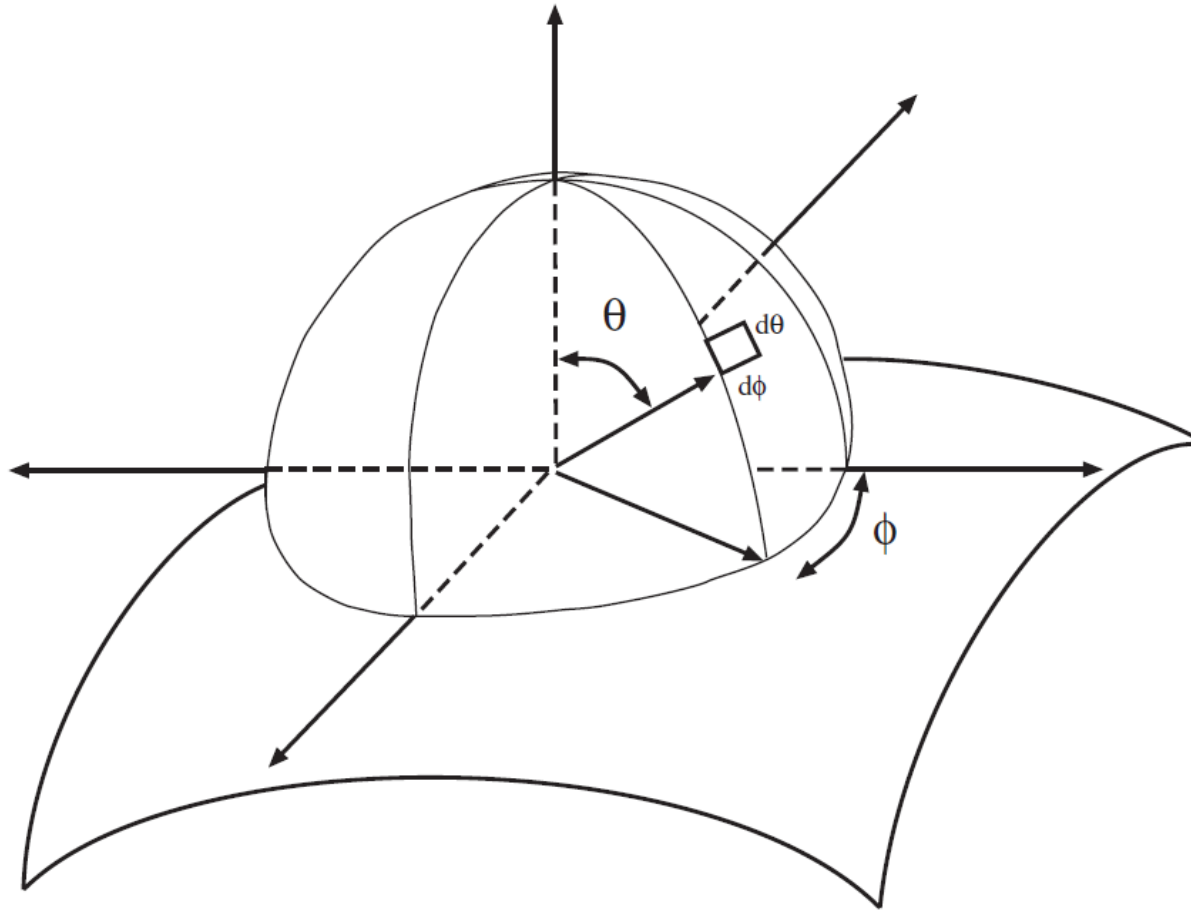
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# Light in space

- The measurement of light is a field in itself, known as radiometry
- Two sources that generate the same pattern on this input hemisphere
- must have the same effect on the surface at this point
- Two surfaces that generate the same pattern on a source's output hemisphere
- Must receive the same amount of energy from the source

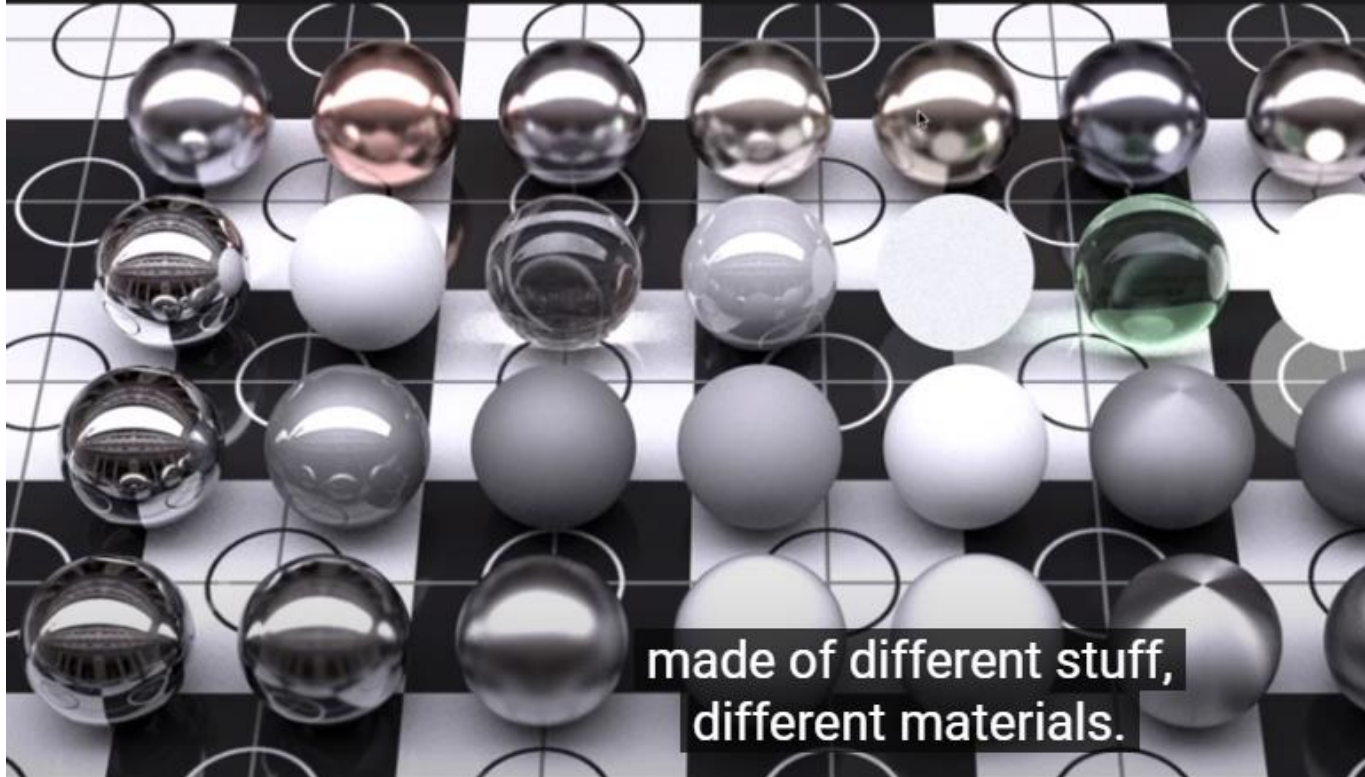
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## Surface Appearance

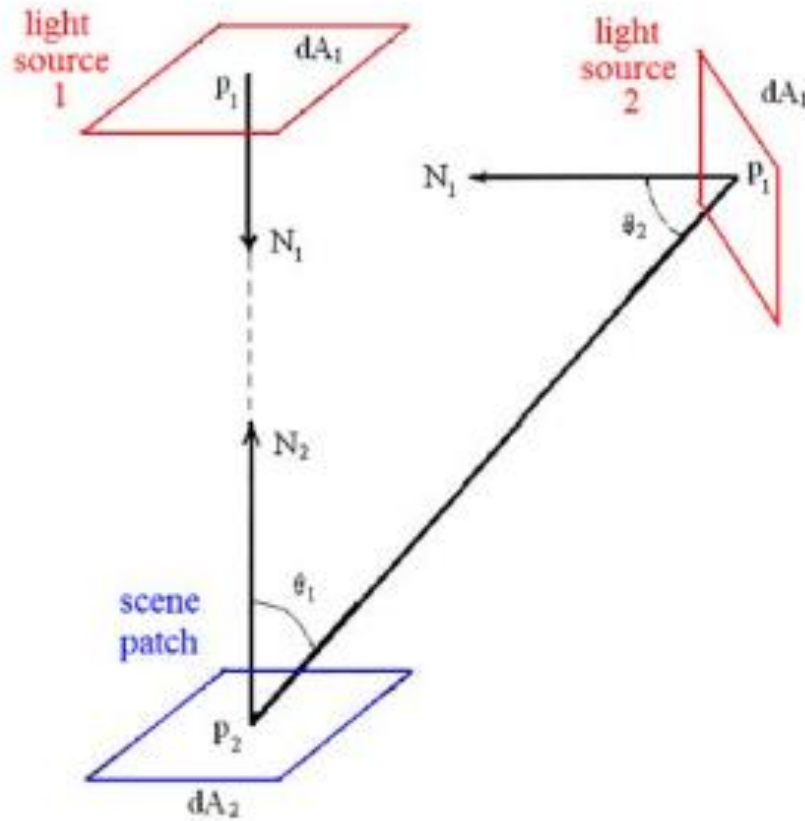


made of different stuff,  
different materials.

# Light in space

- The orientation of the surface patch with respect to
- The direction in which the illumination is travelling is important
- As a source is tilted wrt the direction in which the illumination is travelling
- it “looks smaller” to a patch of surface
- As a patch is tilted wrt the direction in which the illumination is travelling
- it “looks smaller” to the source

# Light in space



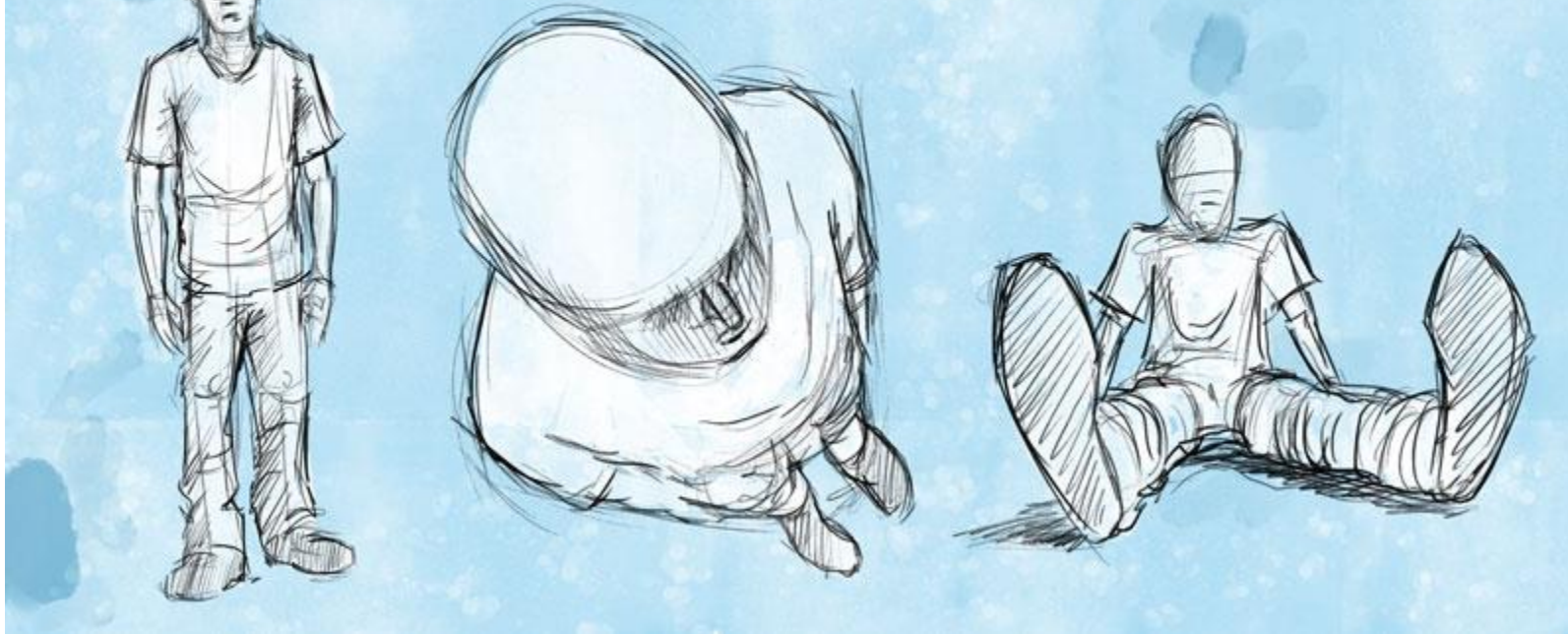
# Light in space - foreshortening

- From the point of view of the source a small patch appears the same as
- a large patch that is heavily foreshortened
- must receive the same energy
- The effect is known as foreshortening

## Light in space - foreshortening

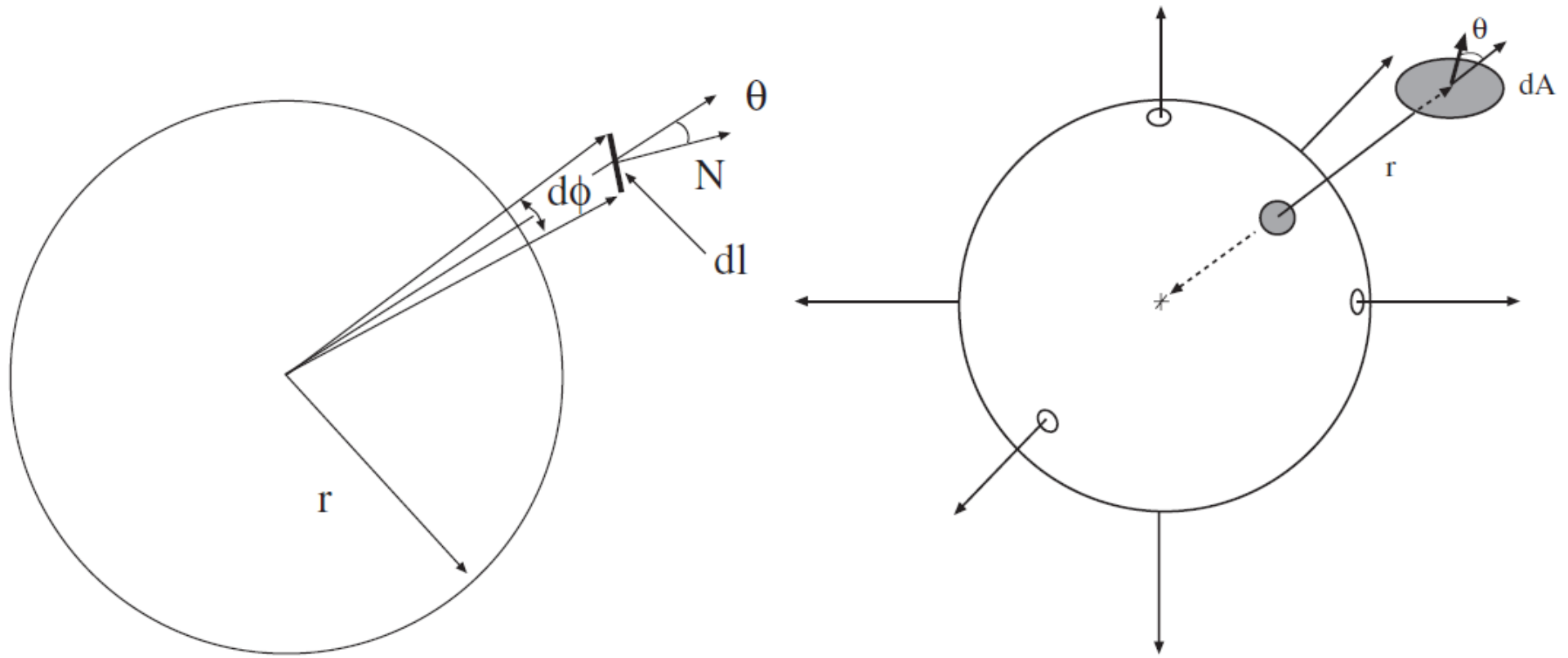
# FORESHORTENING

Drawing the Figure in Perspective

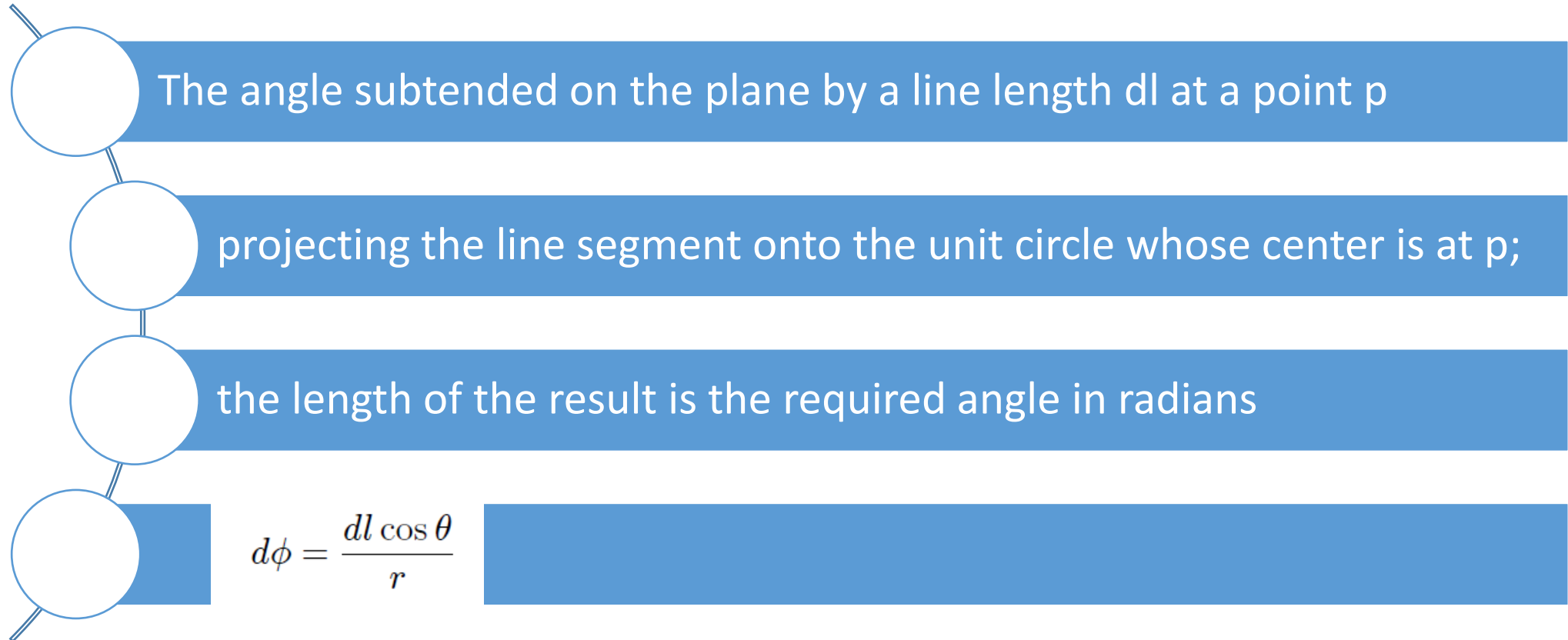




# Light in space – Solid angle



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# Light in space – Solid angle

- The solid angle subtended by a patch of surface at a point  $x$
- projecting the patch onto the unit sphere whose center is at  $x$ ;
- the area of the result is the required solid angle (steradian)
- solid angle captures the intuition in foreshortening
- $d\omega = \frac{dA \cos \theta}{r^2}$   $d\omega = \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$

# Light in space – Radiance

- The distribution of light in space is a function of position and direction
- Appropriate unit for measuring the distribution of light in space is radiance
- The amount of energy travelling at some point in a specified direction
- per unit time, per unit area perpendicular to the direction of travel,
- Per unit solid angle

# Light in space – Radiance

unit of radiance - watts per square meter per steradian

$$(Wm^{-2}sr^{-1})$$

a small patch viewing a source frontally collects more energy than

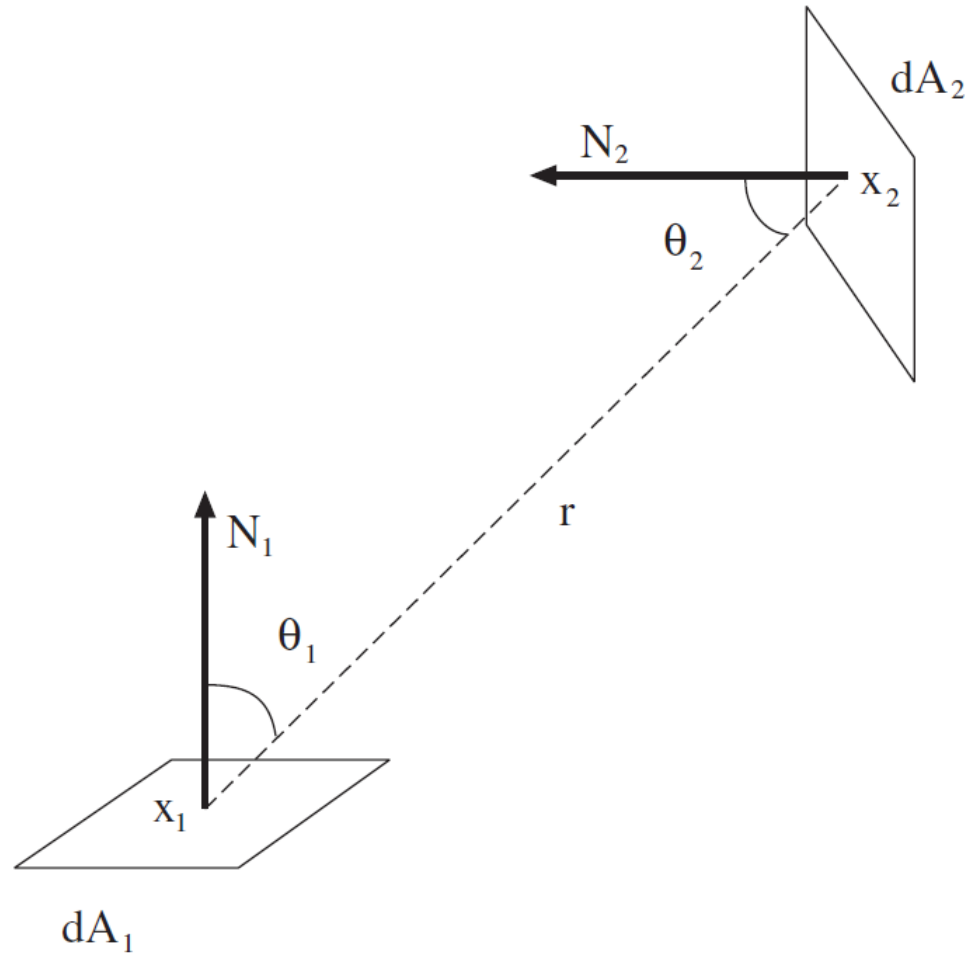
the same patch viewing a source radiance along a nearly tangent direction

radiance at a point in space is usually denoted  $L(x, \text{direction})$ ,

where  $x$  is a coordinate for position, direction as  $x_1 \rightarrow x_2$



# Light in space – Radiance



# Light in space – Radiance

radiance at the patch is  $L(x_1, \theta, \phi)$ , the energy transmitted by the patch into

an infinitesimal region of solid angle  $d\omega$  around the direction  $\theta, \phi$  in time  $dt$

$$L(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta, \phi)(\cos \theta_1 dA_1)(d\omega)(dt),$$

The radiance leaving  $x_1$  in the direction of  $x_2$  is  $L(x_1, x_1 \rightarrow x_2)$

This means that, in time  $dt$ , the energy leaving  $x_1$  towards  $x_2$  is

$$d^3E_{1 \rightarrow 2} = L(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_2) \cos \theta_1 d\omega_{2(1)} dA_1 dt$$

# Radiance is constant along (unoccluded) straight lines.

From the expression for solid angle above,

$$d\omega_{2(1)} = \frac{\cos \theta_2 dA_2}{r^2}$$

Now the energy leaving 1 for 2 is:

$$\begin{aligned} d^3 E_{1 \rightarrow 2} &= L(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_2) \cos \theta_1 d\omega_{2(1)} dA_1 dt \\ &= L(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_2) \frac{\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 dA_2 dA_1 dt}{r^2} \end{aligned}$$

Because the medium is a vacuum, it does not absorb energy, so that the energy arriving at 2 from 1 is the same as the energy leaving 1 in the direction of 2. The energy arriving at 2 from 1 is:

$$\begin{aligned} d^3 E_{1 \rightarrow 2} &= L(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_2) \cos \theta_2 d\omega_{1(2)} dA_2 dt \\ &= L(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_2) \frac{\cos \theta_2 \cos \theta_1 dA_1 dA_2 dt}{r^2} \end{aligned}$$

which means that  $L(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_2) = L(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta, \phi)$ , so that *radiance is constant along (unoccluded) straight lines.*

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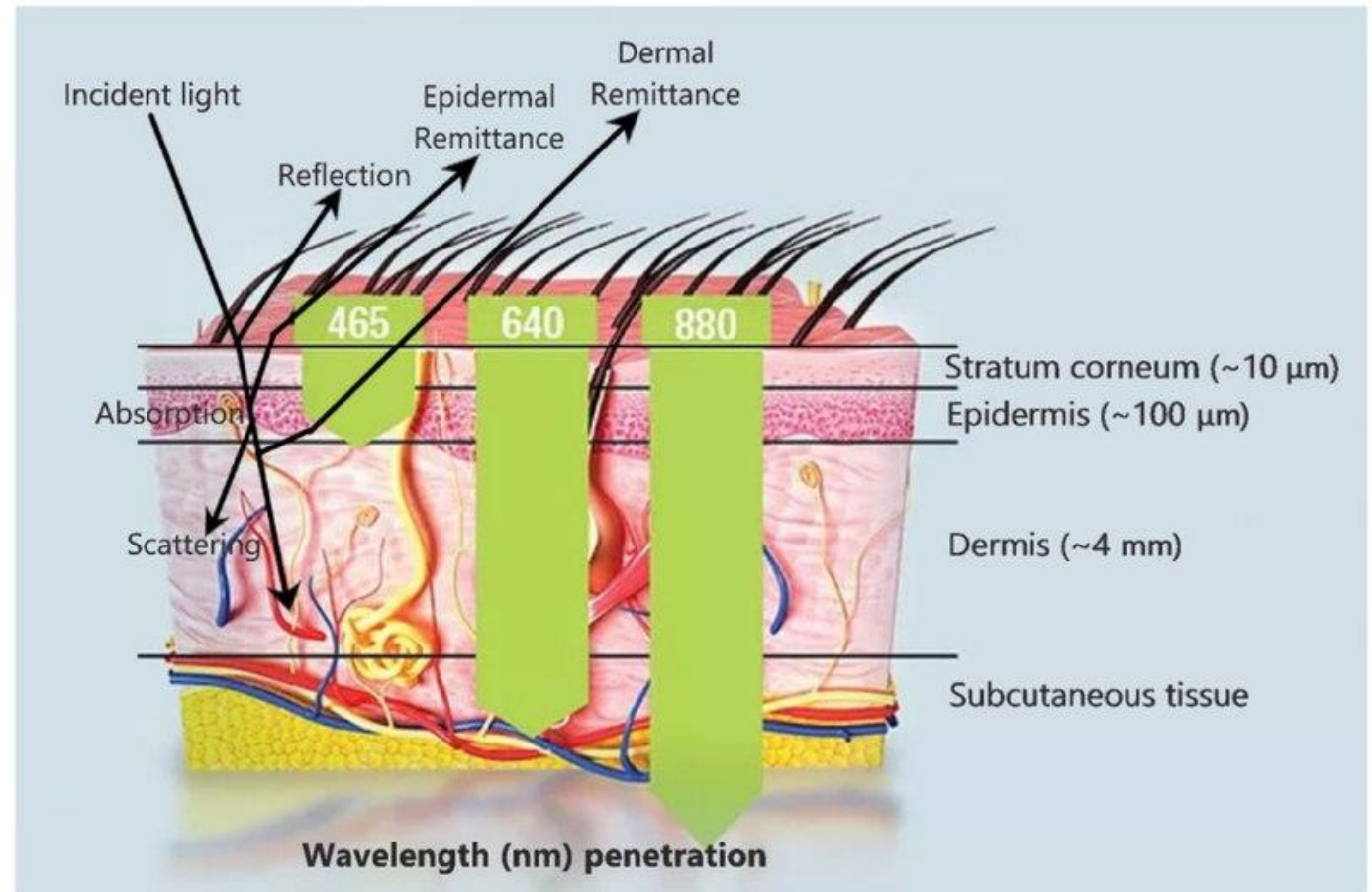
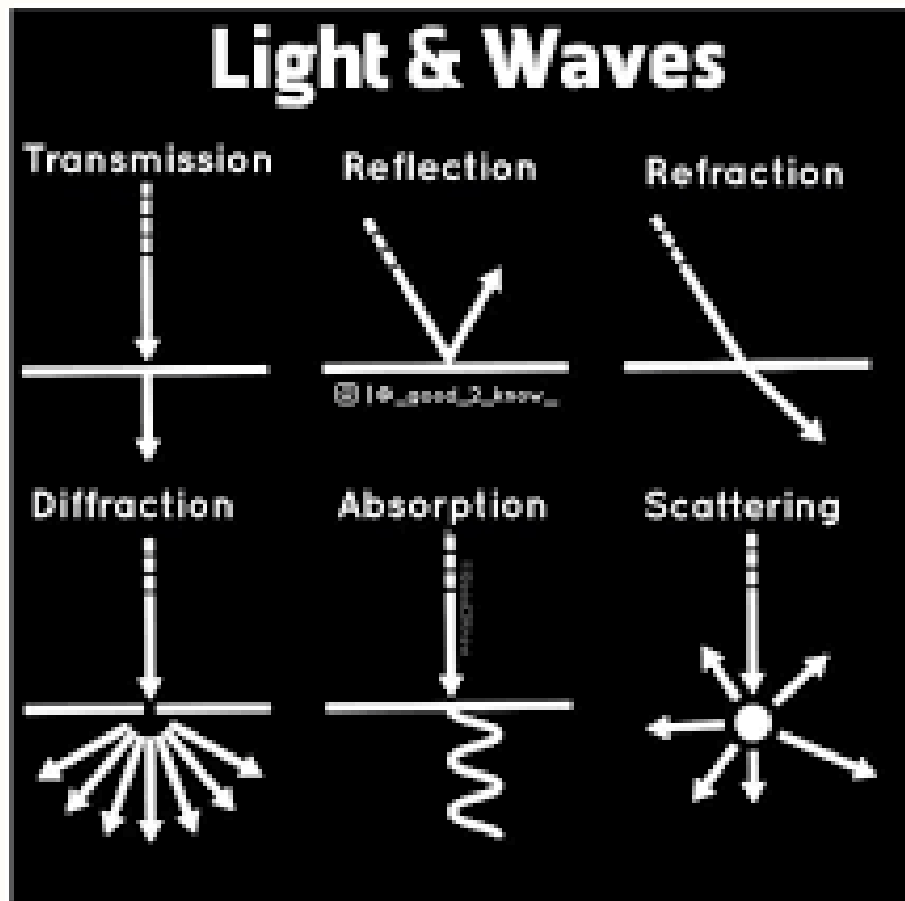
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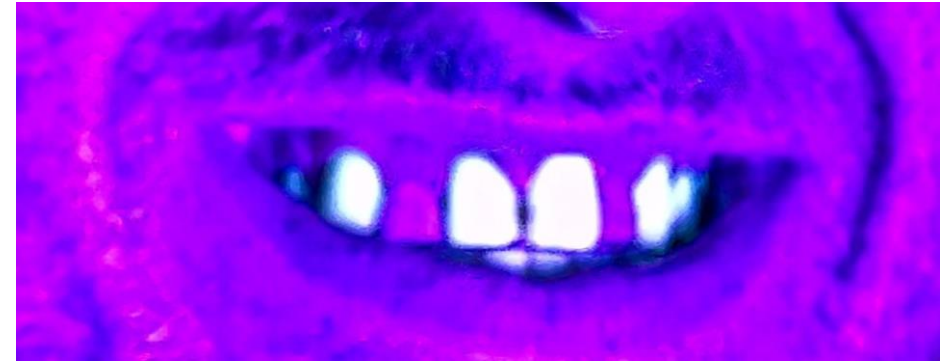
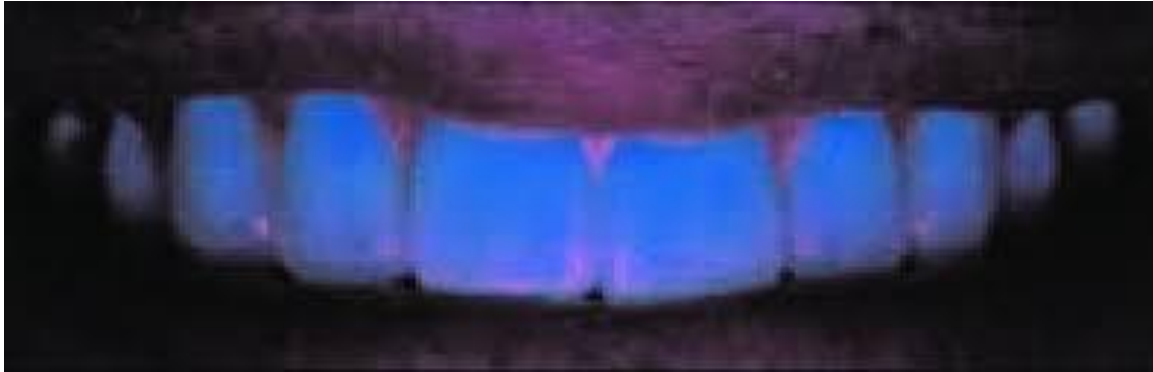
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# Light at surfaces





# Light at surfaces – Identification of fake teeth



# Light at surfaces – Identification of fake currency



# Light at surfaces – scorpion glow



# Light at surfaces - Fluorescence

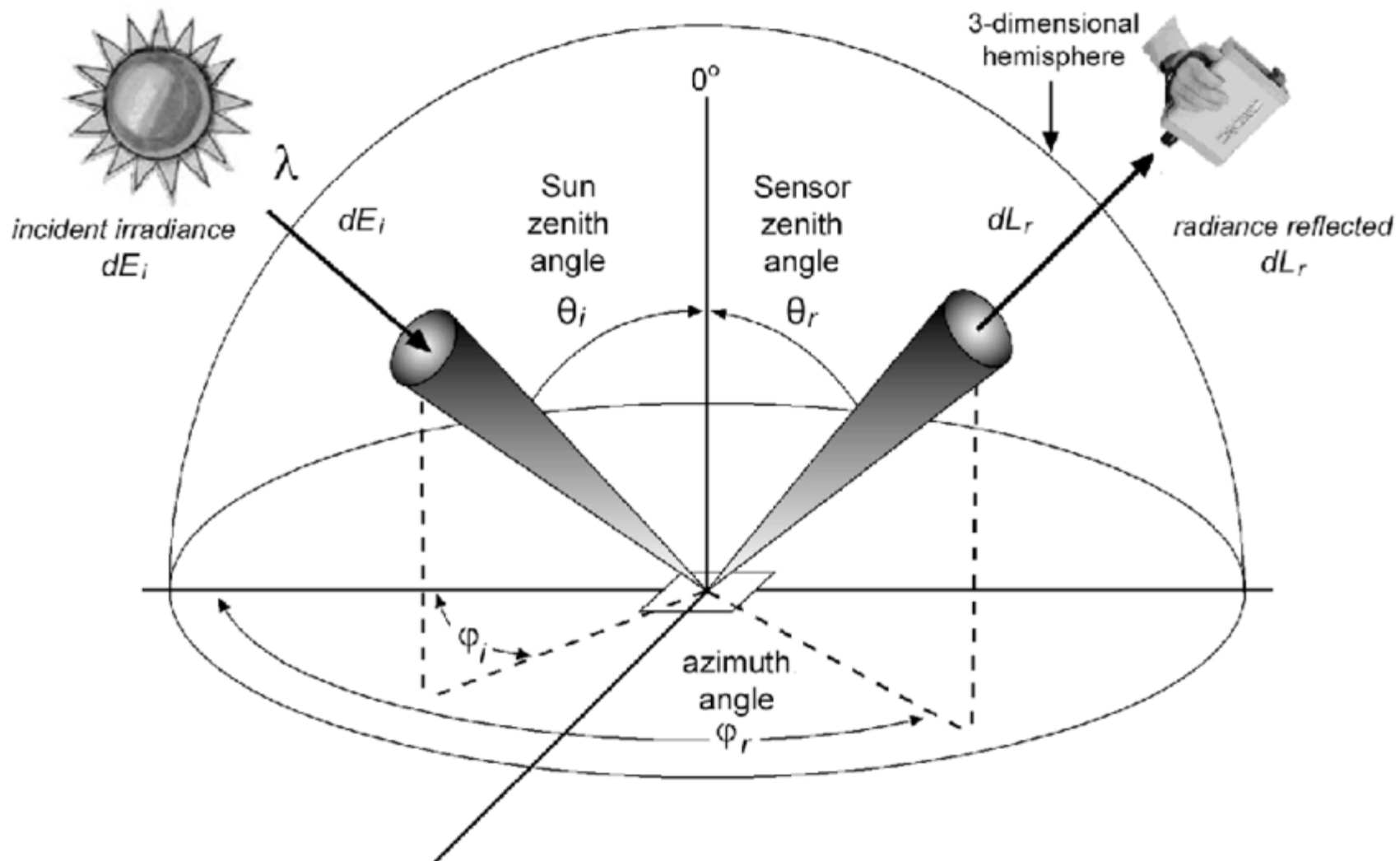
- Some surfaces to absorb light at one wavelength,
- then radiate light at a different wavelength as a result
- This phenomenon is called as fluorescence
- Human teeth, false teeth under UV light

# Light at surfaces - assumptions

- Radiance leaving a point on a surface is due only to radiance arriving at this point
- all light leaving a surface at a given wavelength is due to light
- arriving at that wavelength
- surfaces do not generate light internally, and
- treat sources separately.

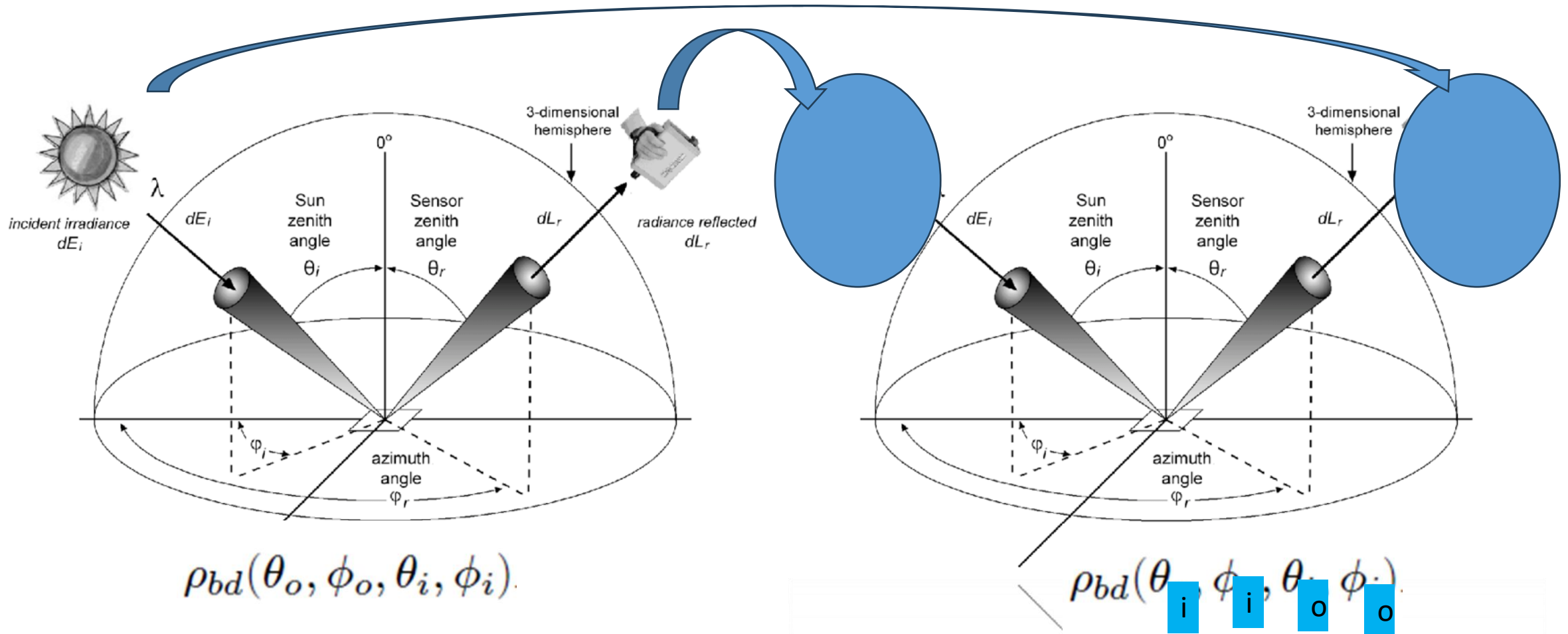


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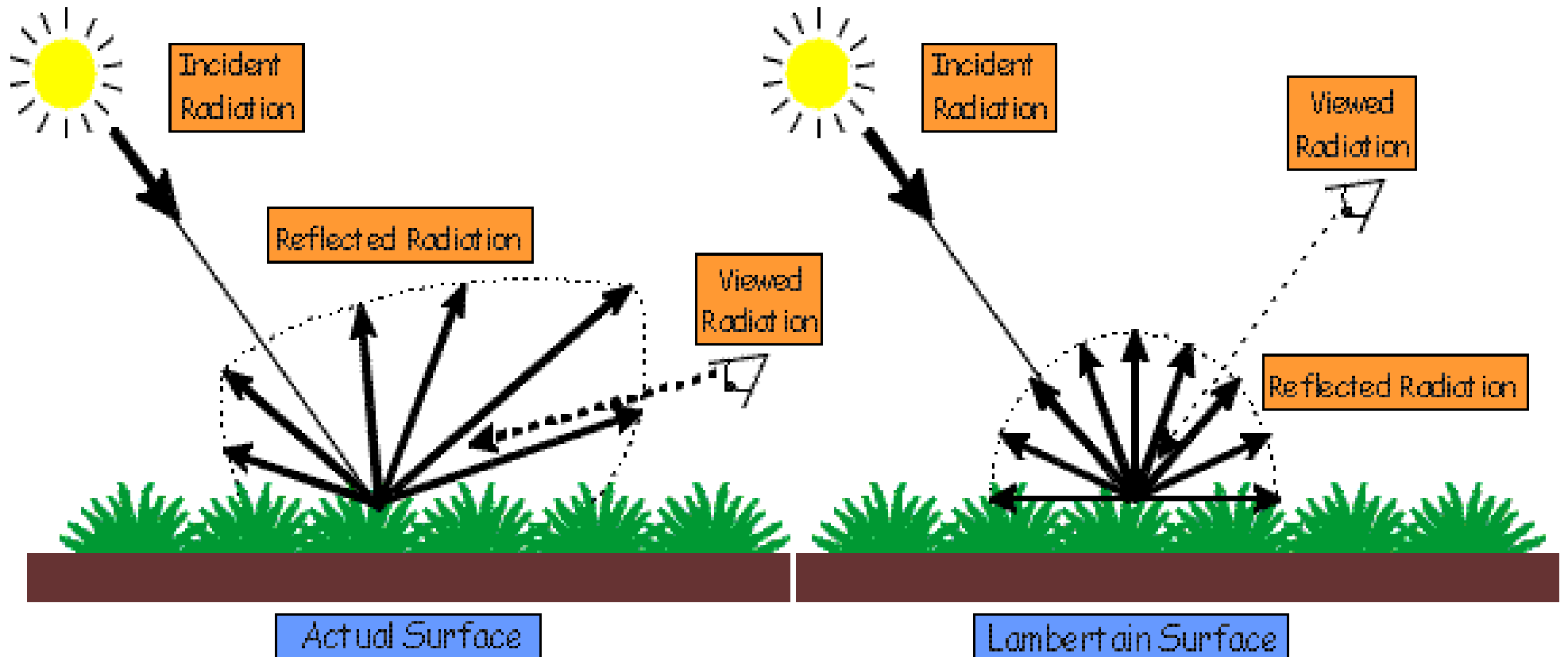




# The Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function (BRDF) – Helmholtz reciprocity



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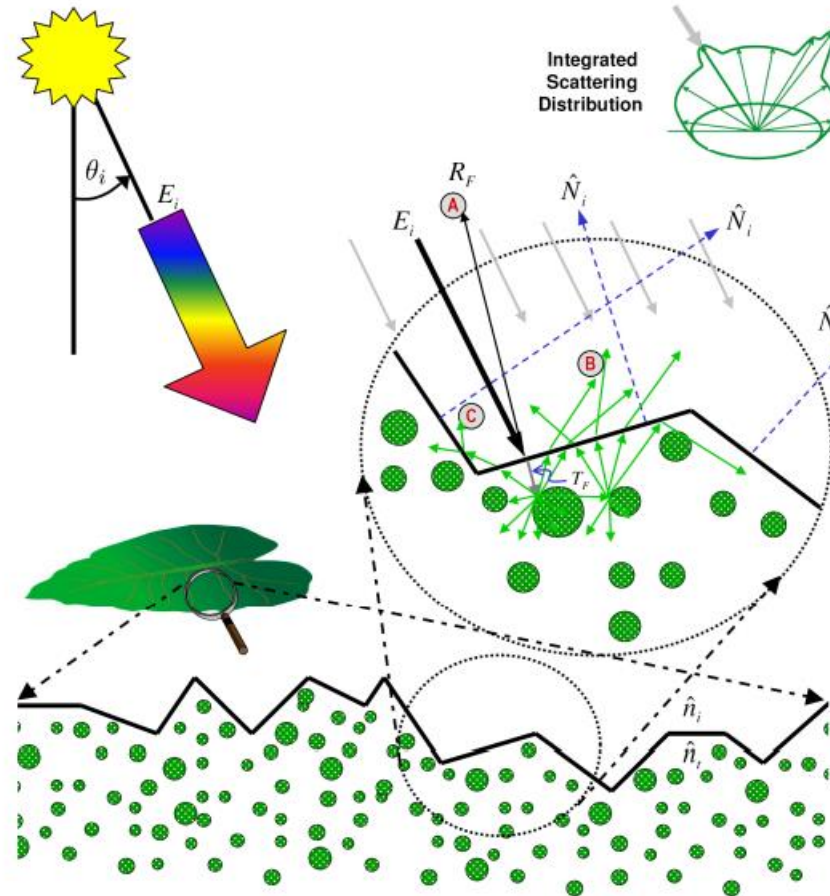
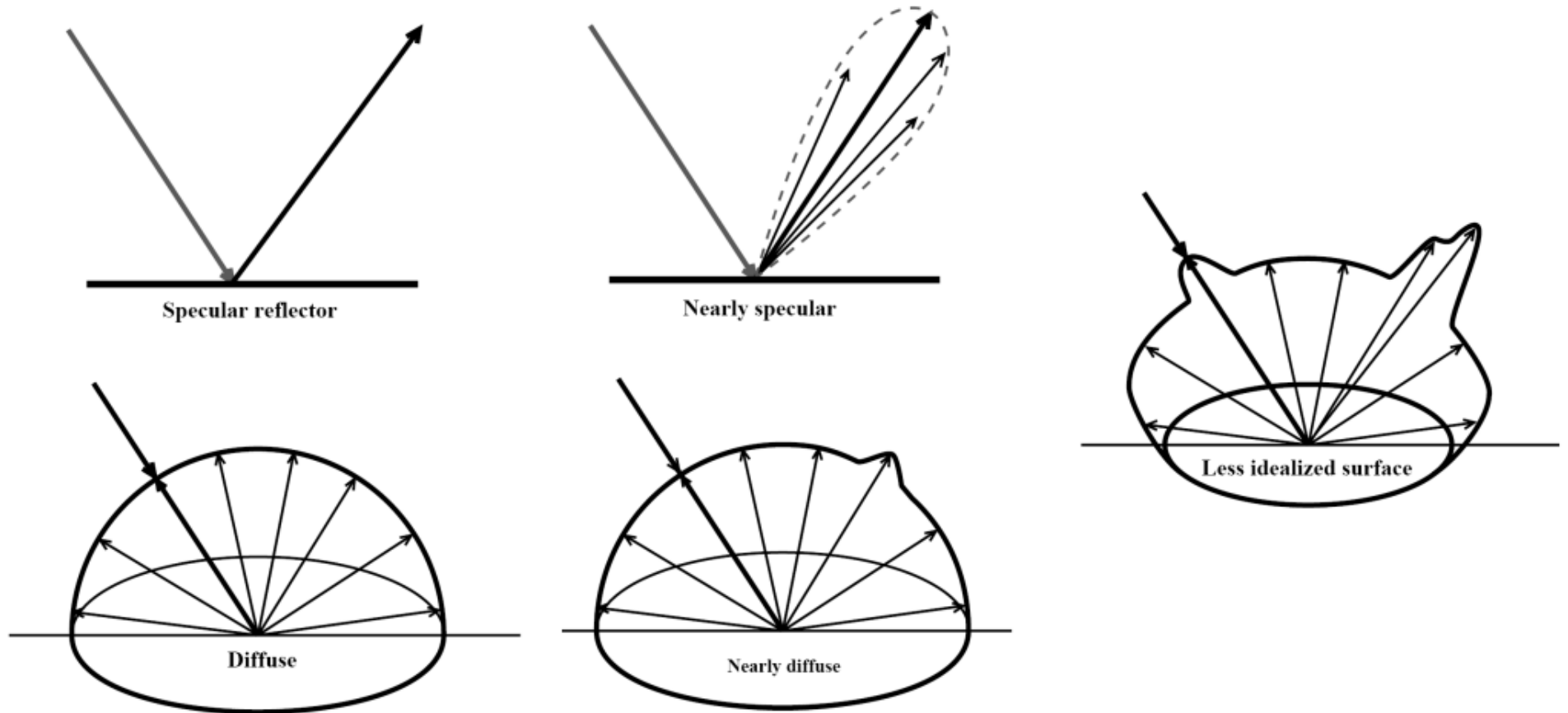


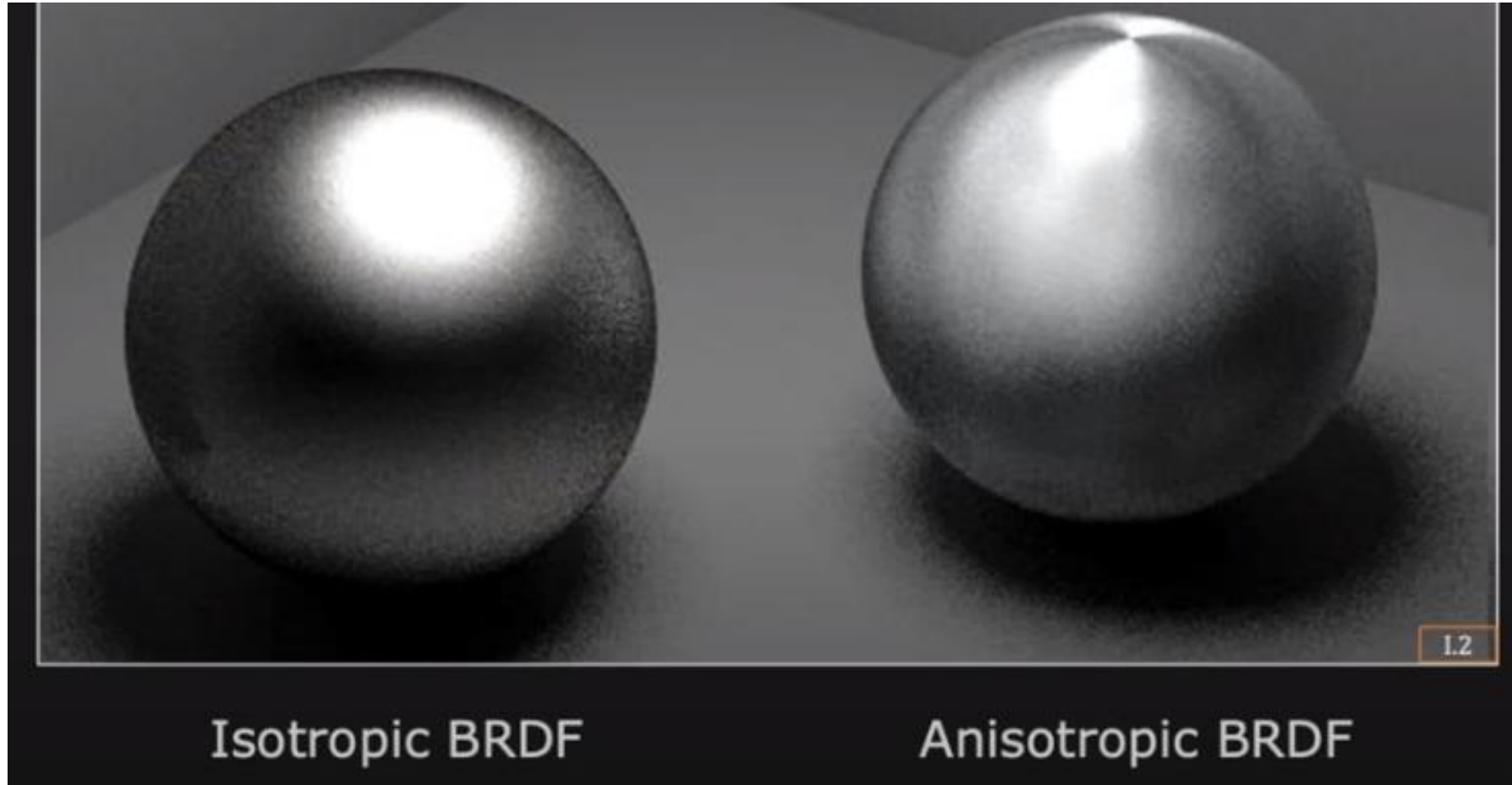
Figure 4: Detailed view of light scatter from material.

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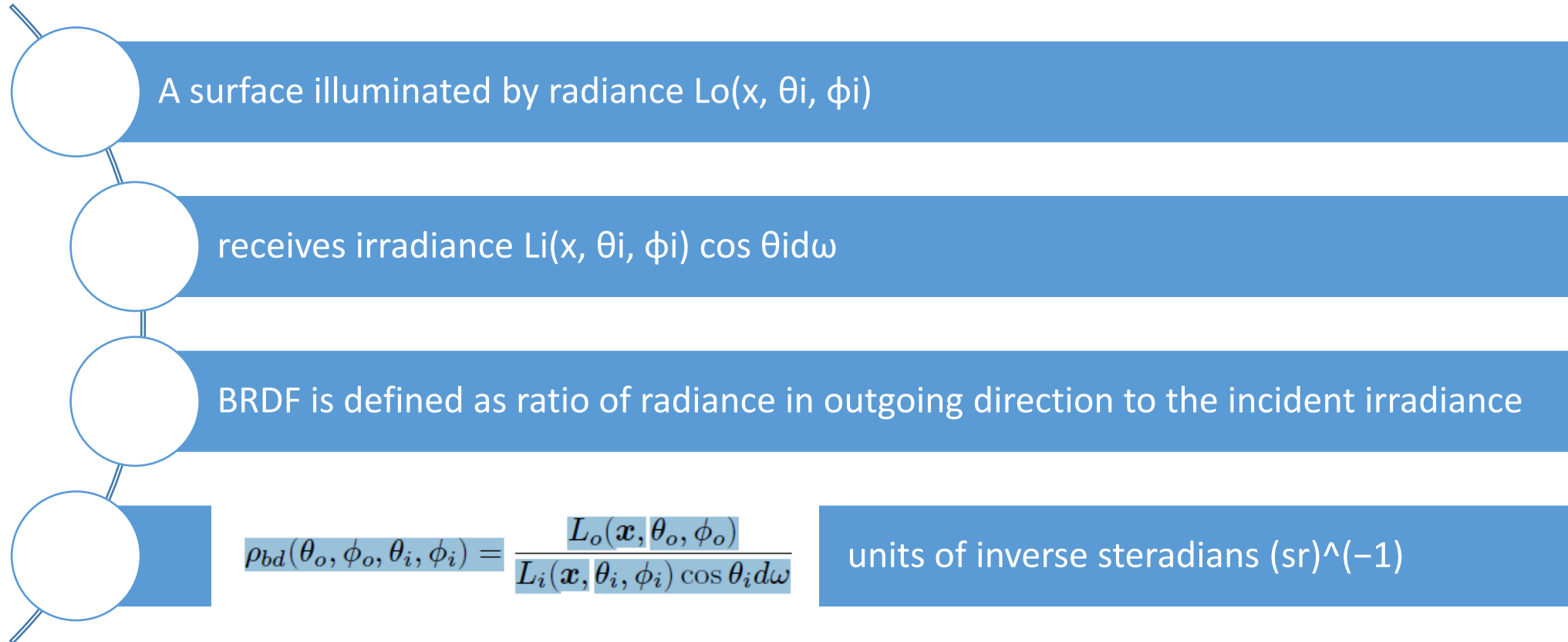


# The Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function (BRDF) – Isotropic and anisotropic

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# The Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function (BRDF)





# Properties of BRDF

$$L_o(\mathbf{x}, \theta_o, \phi_o) = \rho_{bd}(\theta_o, \phi_o, \theta_i, \phi_i) L_i(\mathbf{x}, \theta_i, \phi_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega$$

$$L_o(\mathbf{x}, \theta_o, \phi_o) = \int_{\Omega} \rho_{bd}(\theta_o, \phi_o, \theta_i, \phi_i) L_i(\mathbf{x}, \theta_i, \phi_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cos \theta d\omega &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin \theta d\theta d\phi \\ &= 2\pi \end{aligned}$$

# Properties of BRDF

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- Let the ceiling emit 12 units of light per second
- Let the floor reflect 50% of what it gets; let it get 1/3 of the light from the ceiling (based on geometry)
- And let the ceiling get 1/3 of the floor's light (based on geometry), and reflect 75% of what it gets
- Writing  $B_1$  for the ceiling's total light, and  $B_2$  for the floor's, and  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  for the light generated internally by each, we have:

ceiling:

$$E_1 = 12, B_1 = E_1 + \rho_1(F_{2 \rightarrow 1} B_2) = 12 + \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{3} B_2$$

floor:

$$E_2 = 0, B_2 = E_2 + \rho_2(F_{1 \rightarrow 2} B_1) = 0 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} B_1$$

- First, we'll solve this simple case, then write equations for the more general case

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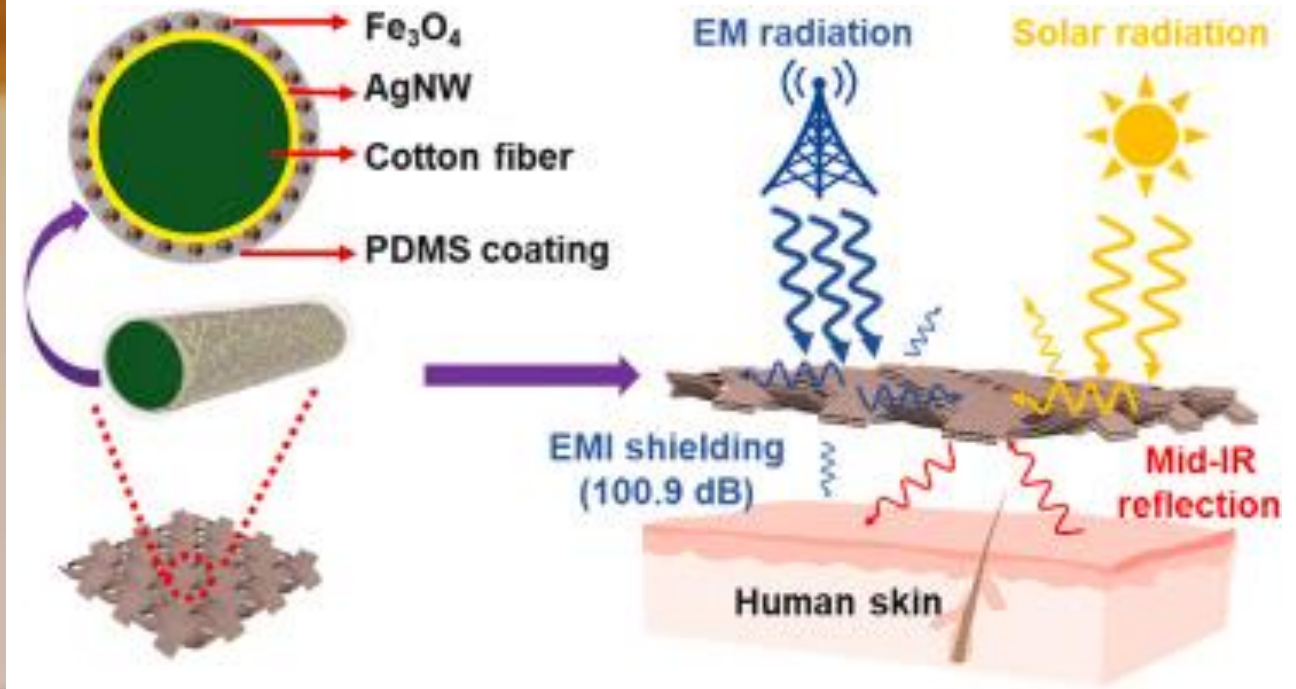
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Radiosity, defined as total power leaving a point on a surface per unit area on surface

To obtain the radiosity of a surface at a point,

sum the radiance leaving the surface at that point over the whole exit hemisphere.

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$$= L_o(\mathbf{x}) \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos \theta \sin \theta d\phi d\theta$$

$$= \pi L_o(\mathbf{x})$$

# Conclusion

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# Q&A

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