

2 Camera basics and Optics

* Lighting

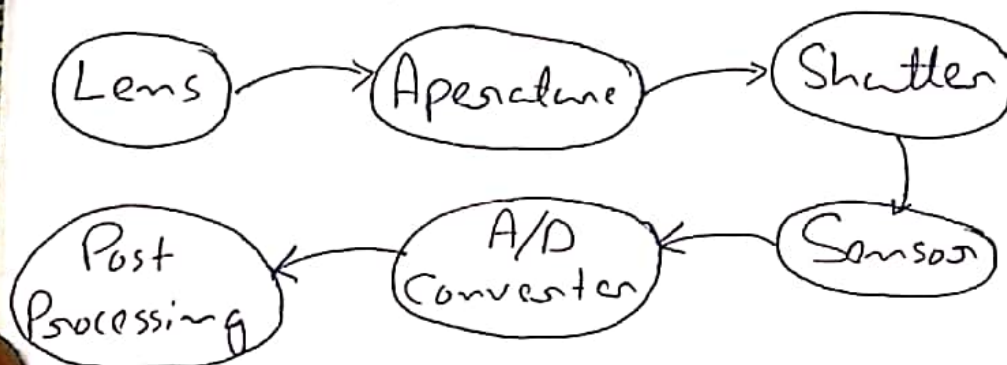
⇒ Lighting has a major influence on the image acquisition process.

↳ Controlling the lighting is important.

* Types of Lighting

- ① Direct Incident light
- ② Diffuse incident lighting
- ③ Lateral Illumination
- ④ Dark field illumination
- ⑤ Backlight illumination

* Elements of a Digital Camera



* Lens

⇒ Goal is to obtain images that are:-

- Not distorted
- Sharp
- Contrast intensive

⇒ The choice of the lens depends on

- field of view
- distance to the object
- amount of available light
- Price

Moderate Tele Lens

- Narrow Field of View.
- Minimal perspective distortions.
 - ↳ Parallel lines remain parallel

Wide Angle Lens

- Useful for application that require a large field of view (70° and 120°)
- Straight lines are roughly straight
- Perspective distortions.
- Proportions are not correct anymore.

Fish-eye Lens

- Field of view of 130° + dog
- Straight lines in the world are not straight anymore in the image.

* Sensors

- The Image Sensor: Converts photons to intensity values.
 - Array of light-sensitive cells.
- ⇒ Two main types of Sensors:

- CCD: (Charge-coupled device)
(lower noise, more expensive, global shutter)
- CMOS: (Complementary metal oxide on silicon)
(higher noise, cheaper, rolling shutter)

* Sensor Size

- Longer sensor cells can collect more light per time interval.
- Longer chips are more expensive to produce.
- Longer chip produce good quality image at low lighting conditions.

* Sampling pitch

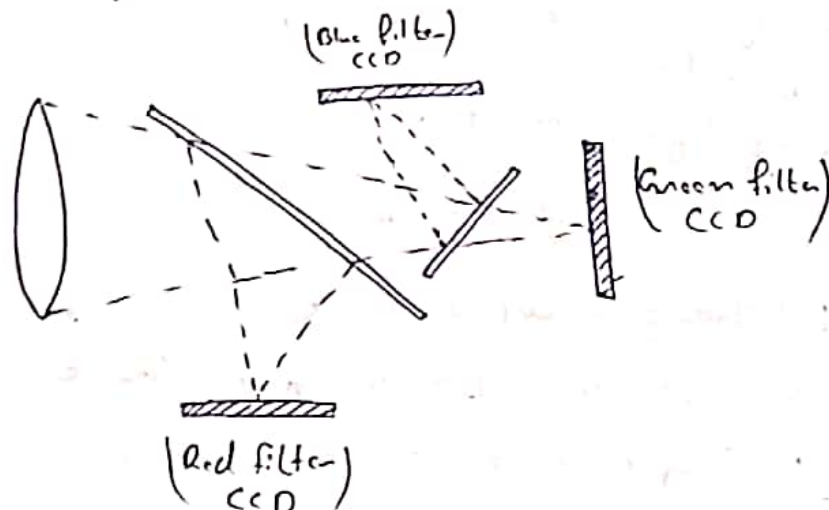
- ⇒ Sampling pitch is the physical spacing between (the centers of) adjacent sensor cell

* Fill Factor

- Active sensing area size as a fraction of the theoretically available sensing area.

* Three-Chip Camera

- ⇒ Three chips with separate filters for red, green and blue.



* Single-Chip Camera

- Cheaper but lower quality.

Bayer Pattern

G	R	G	R
B	G	B	G
G	R	G	R
B	G	B	G

* Color Filter Array (CFA)

RGb	Rgb	RGb	Rgb
RGb	RGb	RGb	RGb
RGb	Rgb	RGb	Rgb
RGb	RGb	RGb	RGb

⇒ Capital letter indicate directly measured value.

⇒ Small letter indicate Anterpolated Value.

* Bayer Pattern

- 50% Green
- 25% red and blue

⇒ Human Visual System is very sensitive to high frequency details in luminance.

* demosaiicing ⇒ Interpolation error.

* Shutter

↳ Shutter Speed

- Controls the amount of light reaching the sensor.
- Longer exposure time = more light = Brighter image
- Longer exposure time leads to motion blur.

* Rolling Shutter

- The shutter rolls (moves) across the exposable image area.
- The pixels at the same line of the image are recorded at the same time.
- Produces distortions in case of fast moving objects or camera.
- Often found in CMOS cameras.

* Global Shutter

- ⇒ The whole image is recorded at exactly the same time.
- ⇒ Often found in CCD cameras.
- ⇒ Preferable for geometric reconstruction tasks.

* Models for light Propagation

- ① Geometric or ray optics
- ② Wave optics based on Maxwell's equation.
- ③ Particle / quantum optics based on the wave-particle duality.

* Geometric optics

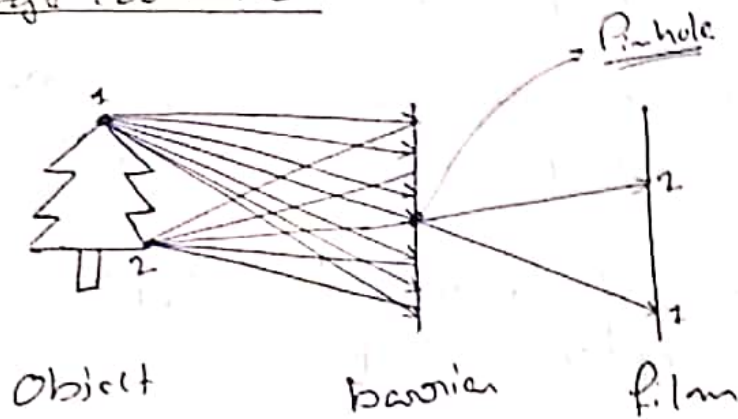
Axioms

- ① A light ray is a straight line in homogenous material.
- ② At the border between two homogenous materials, the light is reflected (Fresnel reflection) or refracted (Snell's Law).
- ③ The optical path is reversible
- ④ Intersecting light rays do not influence each other.
- ⑤ $c = 2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

$$v = \frac{c}{n}$$

(Speed of light in material) (Speed in vacuum) (Refractive Index)

* Image Formation



Working of Pinhole Camera

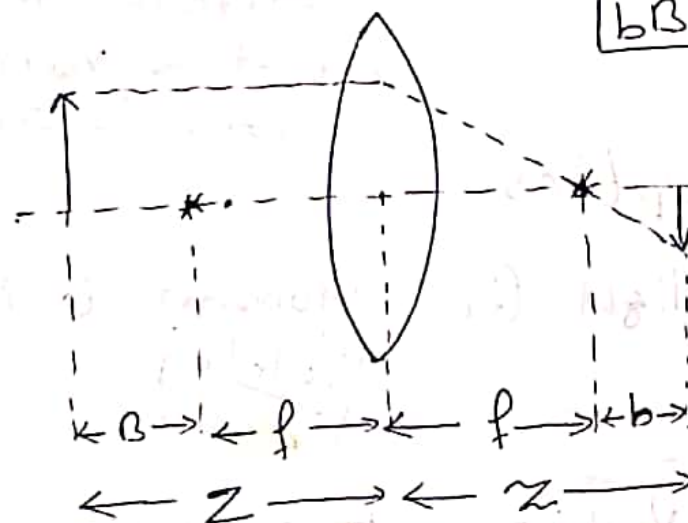
* Pinhole Camera Model



* Image Scale $m = \frac{z}{Z}$

* Mapping $x = -mX$

* Camera with thin lens



$$bB = -f^2$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{Z} - \frac{1}{z}} \quad \left\{ \text{Law of thin lens} \right\}$$

* Aperture and Depth of Field

- Controls the amount of light on the sensor chip and the depth of field.
- Range of distance that appears acceptably sharp.

* Aberrations

→ Deviation from the ideal mapping with a thin lens is called aberration.

- Distortion
 - Barrel distortion
 - Pincushion distortion
 - Mustache distortion
- Spherical aberration
- Chromatic aberration
- Astigmatism
- Comatic aberration
- Vignetting

} different focus point in vertical & horizontal direction

* Wave Optics

⇒ Visible light from 400nm to 700nm
(Violet blue) Red

⇒ Monitoring vegetation → Infrared spectrum is very useful

* Q

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* (A)

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* Quantum Optics

⇒ Useful for describing the interaction between light and matter.

$$Q = h\nu$$

$$6.625 \times 10^{-34} \text{ W s}^2 \text{ [Planck Constant]}$$

* Reflectivity

⇒ General model of light scattering is the Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function (BRDF)

$$f_r(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_r, \phi_r, \lambda)$$

⇒ Describes how much light of each wavelength arriving at an incident direction is emitted in a reflected direction.

* Albedo

→ Reflecting power of a surface.
→ Values in $[0, 1]$

⇒ Most image formats (JPG, PNG, ...)

→ Each R, G, B channel uses 1 byte
→ $2^8 = 256$ different intensity values.

