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Radiometry and Reflectance

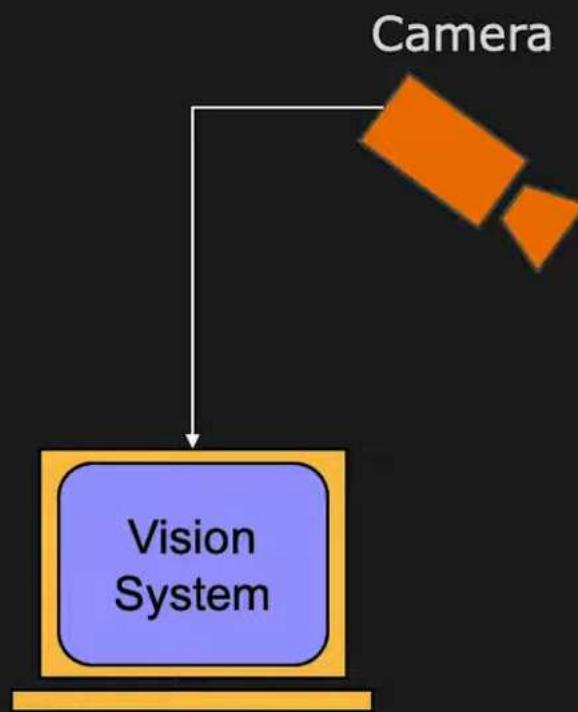
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Topic: Radiometry and Reflectance, Module: Reconstruction I

First Principles of Computer Vision

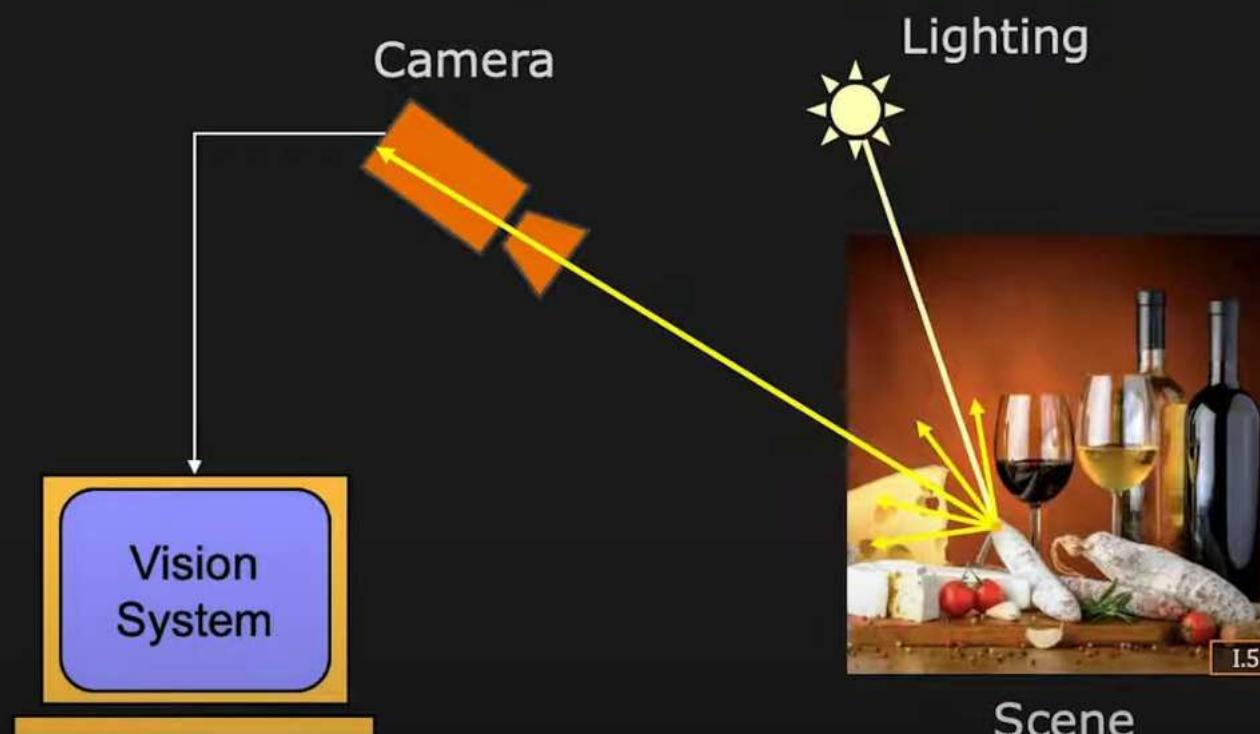
From 2D to 3D



Scene



From 2D to 3D



Radiometry and Reflectance

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Image Intensity

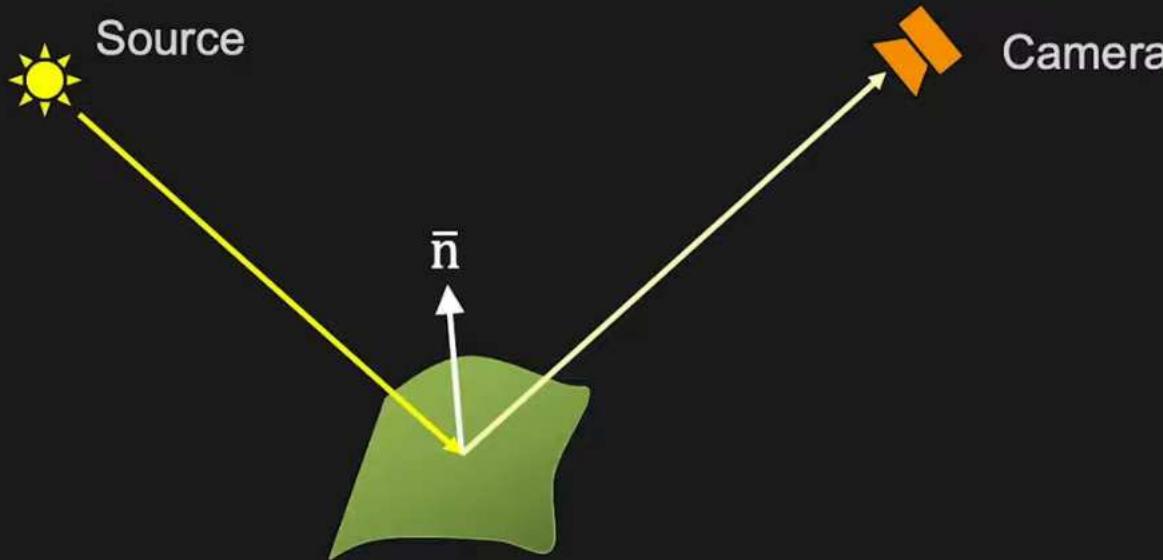


Image Intensity = f (Illumination,
Surface Orientation,
Surface Reflectance)

Image intensity understanding is under-constrained!



Radiometry and Reflectance

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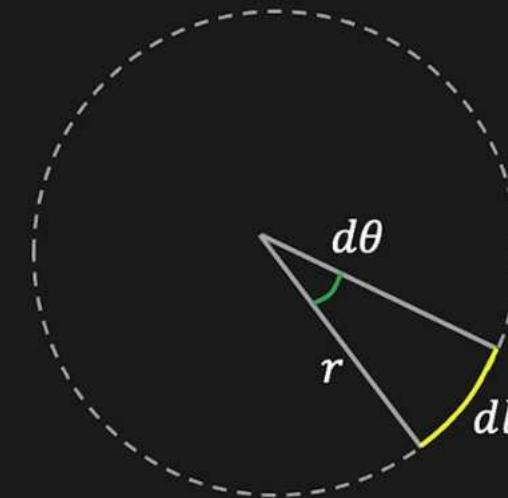


Concept: Angle (2D)

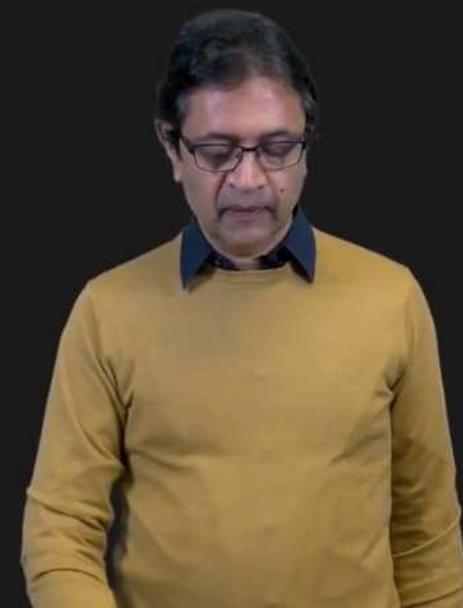
$$d\theta = \frac{dl}{r}$$

Unit: **radian** (rad)

$d\theta$ is **dimensionless**



However, **radian** is used as its unit to distinguish from other dimensionless quantities.

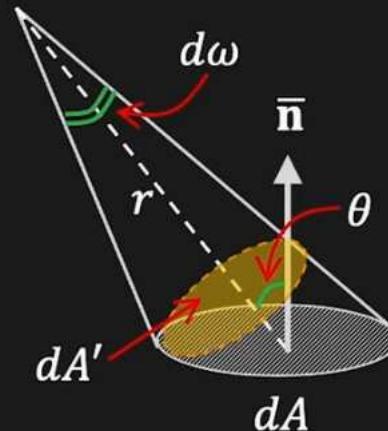


Concept: Solid Angle (3D)

$$d\omega = \frac{dA'}{r^2} = \frac{dA \cos \theta}{r^2}$$

Unit: **steradian** (sr)

$d\omega$ is **dimensionless**



dA' : Foreshortened Area

Solid angle subtended by a hemisphere? 2π

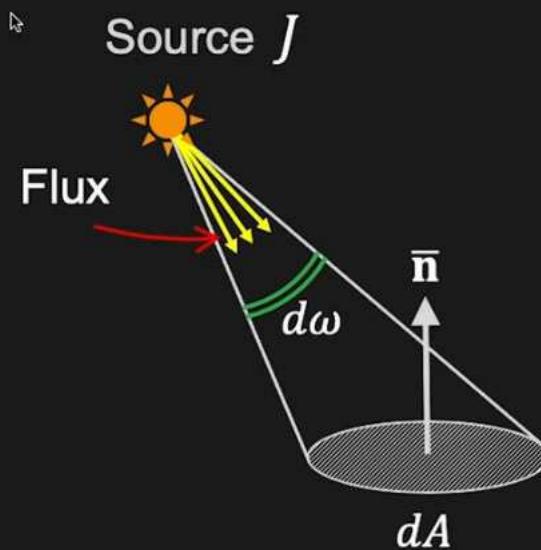


Concept: Radiant Intensity

Light flux emitted per unit solid angle

$$J = \frac{d\Phi}{d\omega}$$

Unit: W sr^{-1}

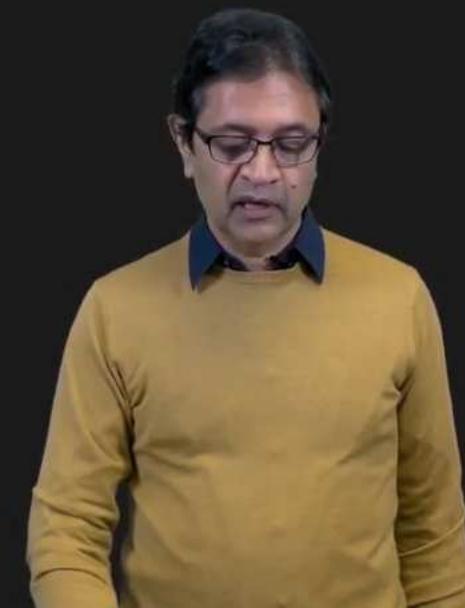
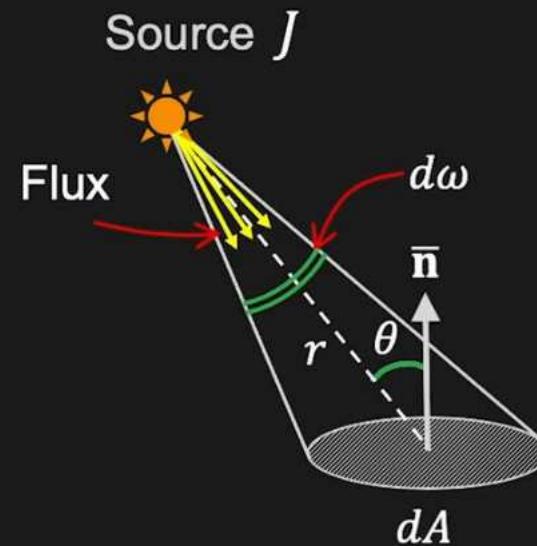


Concept: Surface Irradiance

Light flux incident per unit surface area

$$E = \frac{d\Phi}{dA}$$

Unit: W m^{-2}

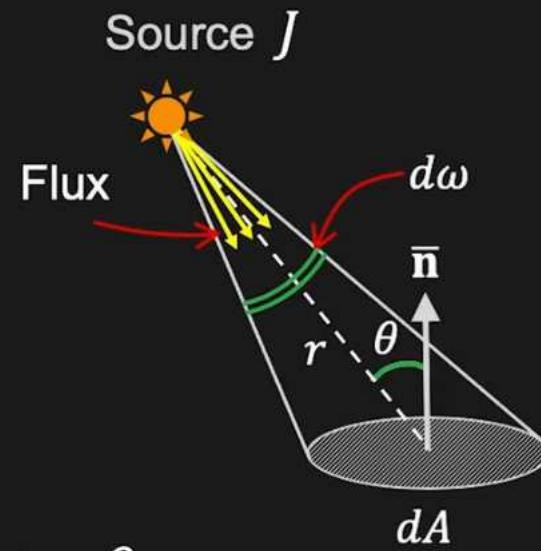


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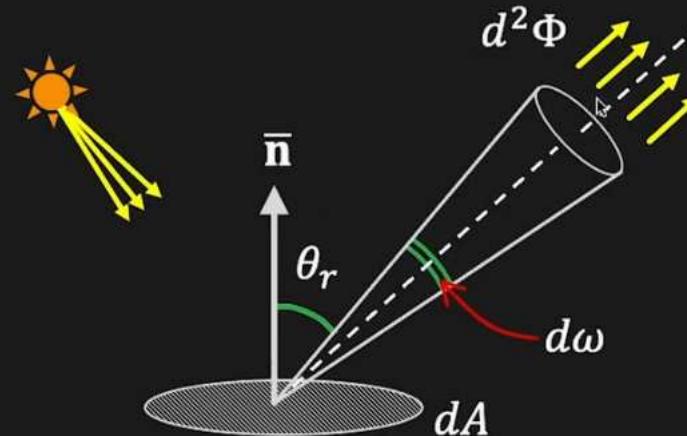


Concept: Surface Radiance

Light flux emitted per unit foreshortened area per unit solid angle

$$L = \frac{d^2\Phi}{(dA \cos \theta_r) d\omega}$$

Unit: $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{sr}^{-1}$



$dA \cos \theta_r$: Foreshortened Area

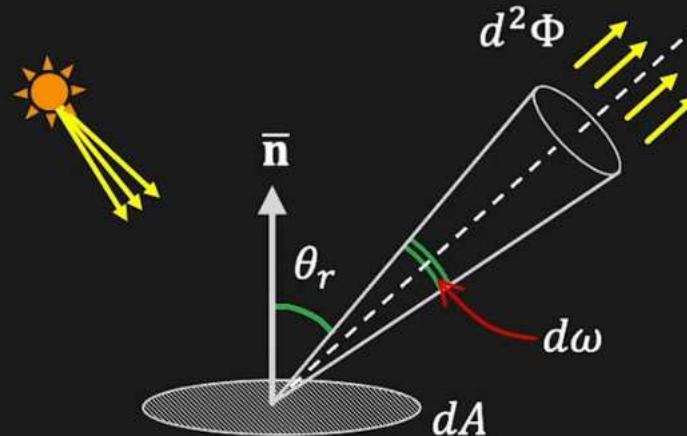


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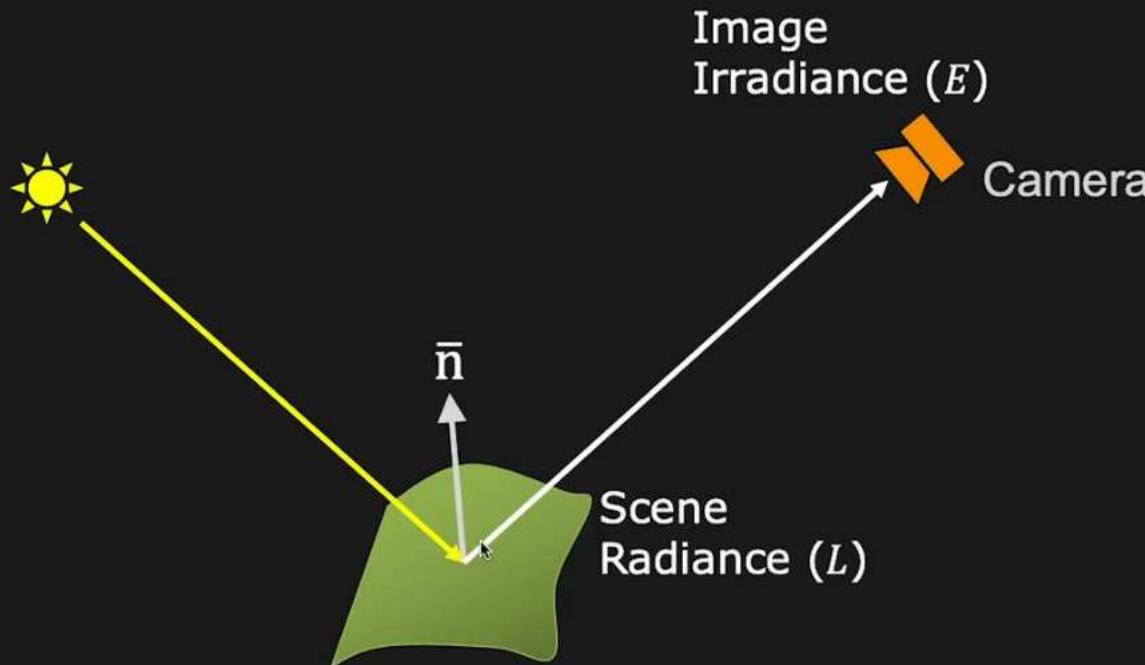
Note:

$dA \cos \theta_r$: Foreshortened Area

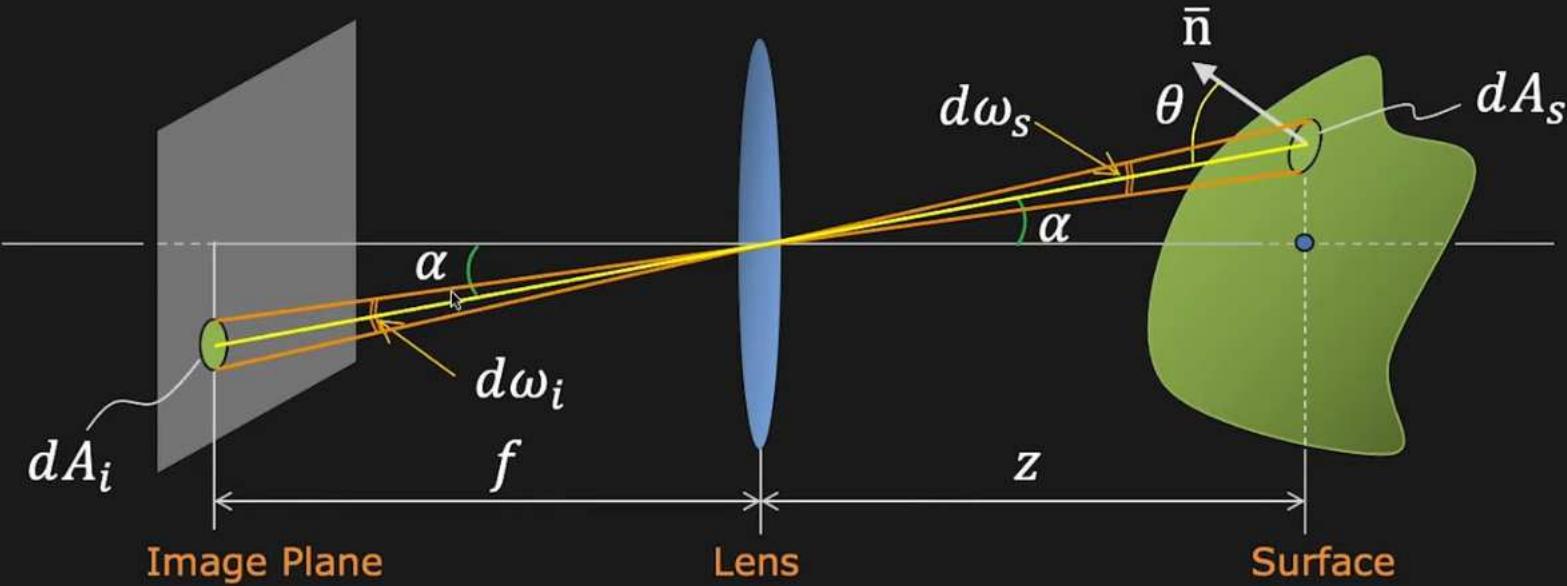
- L depends on direction θ_r : $L(\theta_r)$
- Surface can radiate into the whole hemisphere.
- L depends on reflectance properties of surface



Scene Radiance and Image Irradiance



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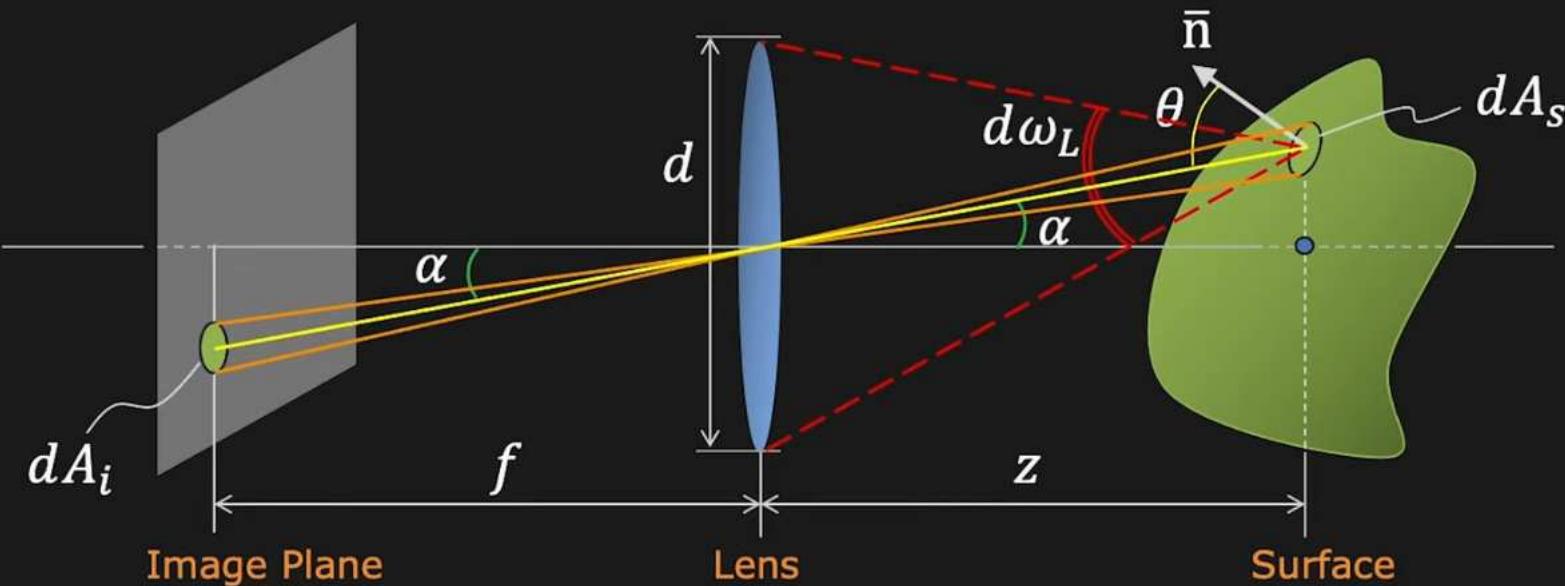


Solid Angles: $d\omega_i = d\omega_s$

$$\frac{dA_i \cos \alpha}{(f/\cos \alpha)^2} = \frac{dA_s \cos \theta}{(z/\cos \alpha)^2}$$



Scene Radiance and Image Irradiance



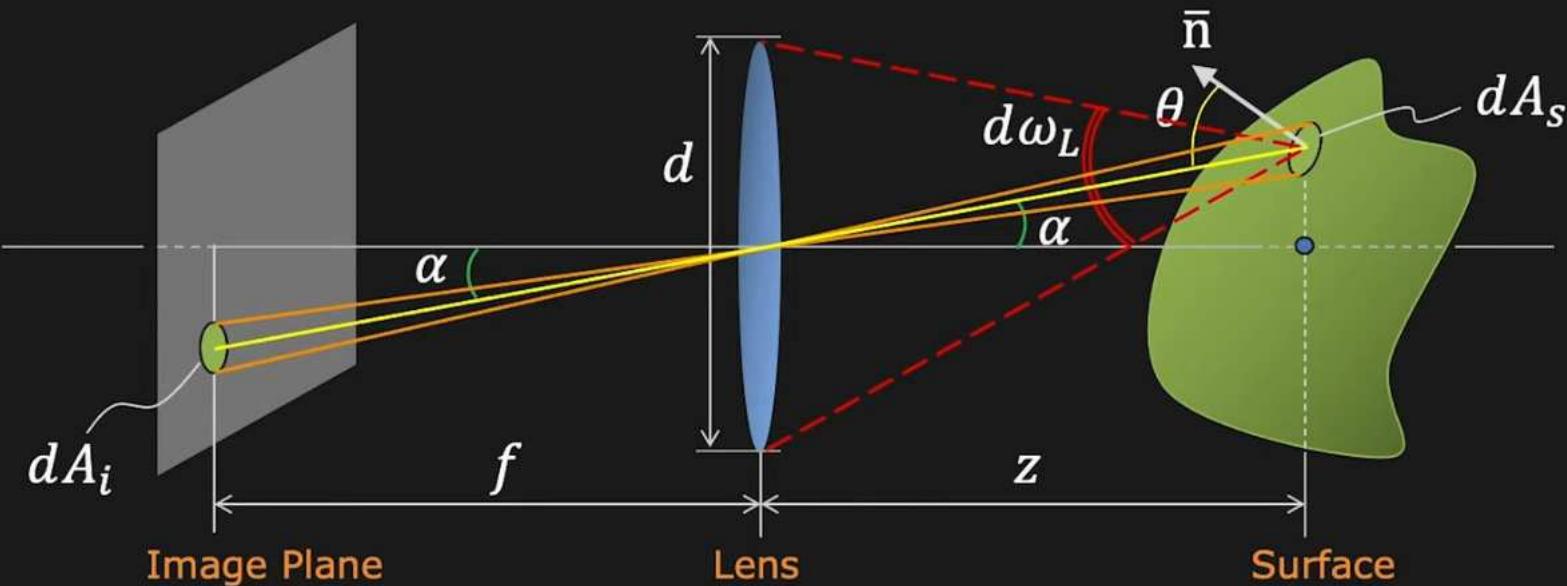
Solid Angle subtended by the lens:

$$d\omega_L = \frac{\pi d^2}{4} \frac{\cos \alpha}{(z/\cos \alpha)^2}$$

Equation (2)



Scene Radiance and Image Irradiance

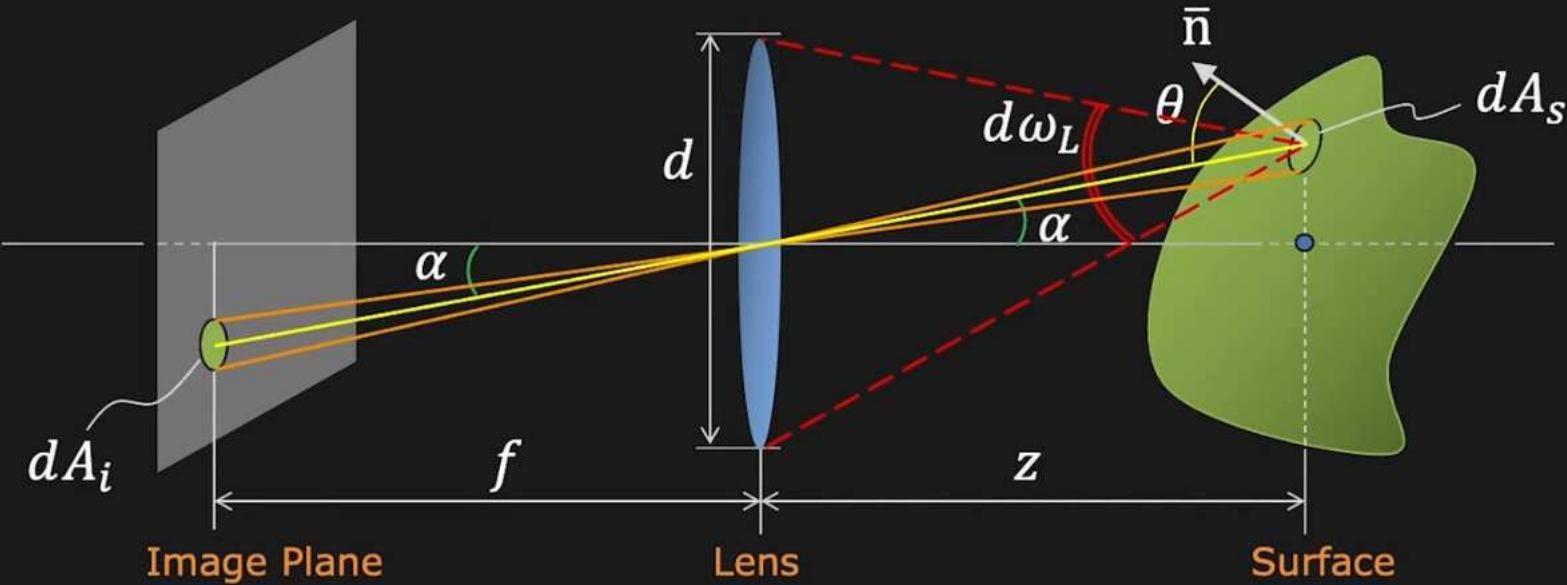


Energy Conservation:

$$\text{Flux received by lens from } dA_s = \text{Flux projected onto } dA_i$$



Scene Radiance and Image Irradiance



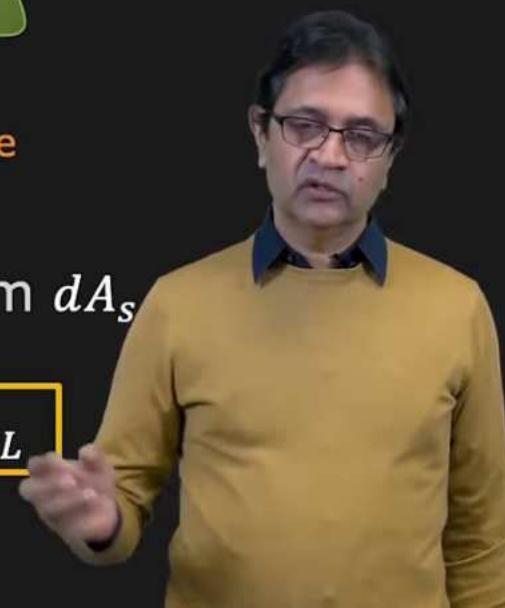
Scene Radiance:

$$L = \frac{d^2\Phi}{(dA_s \cos \theta) d\omega_L}$$

Flux received by lens from dA_s

$$d^2\Phi = L (dA_s \cos \theta) d\omega_L$$

Equation (3)



Scene Radiance and Image Irradiance

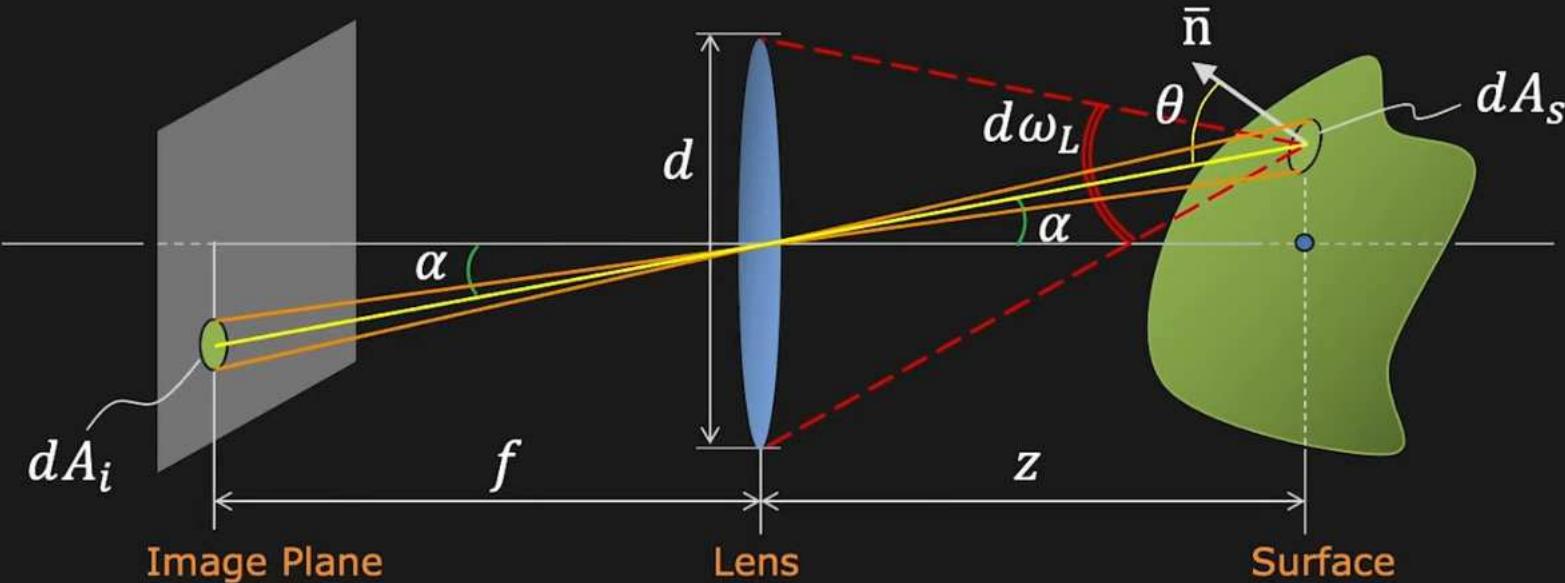


Image Irradiance:

Flux projected onto dA_i

$$E = \frac{d\Phi}{dA_i}$$

$$d\Phi = E dA_i$$

Equation (4)



Scene Radiance and Image Irradiance

Equation (1)

$$\frac{dA_s}{dA_i} = \frac{\cos \alpha}{\cos \theta} \left(\frac{z}{f}\right)^2$$

Equation (2)

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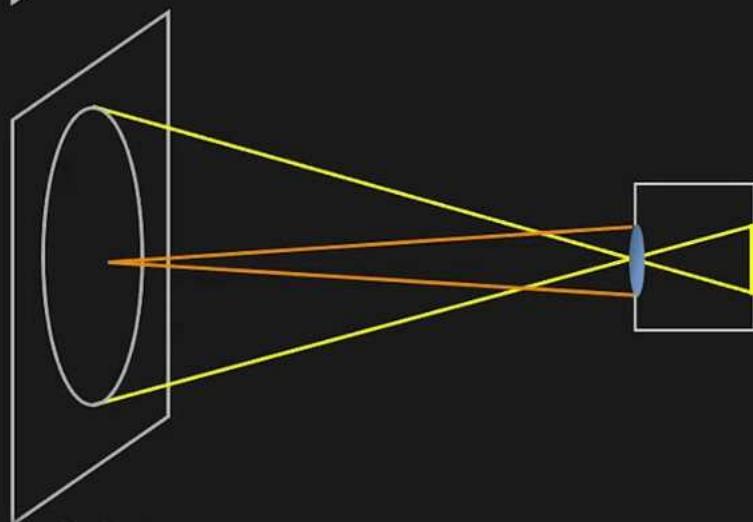
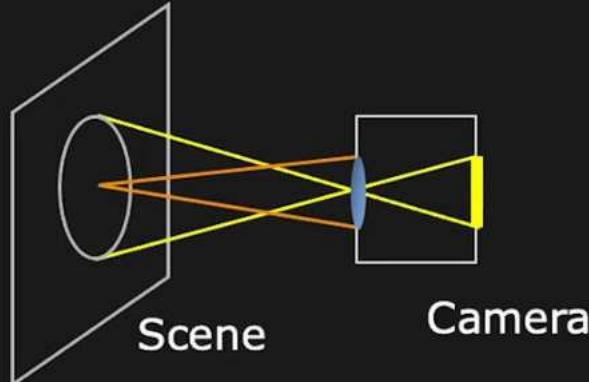
Image Irradiance Scene Radiance 1/Effective F-number
(since f is effective focal length)

- Image Irradiance is proportional to Scene Radiance
- Image brightness falls off from image center as $\cos^4 \alpha$
- For small fields of view, effects of $\cos^4 \alpha$ are small



Scene Radiance and Image Irradiance

Does image brightness vary with scene depth? NO

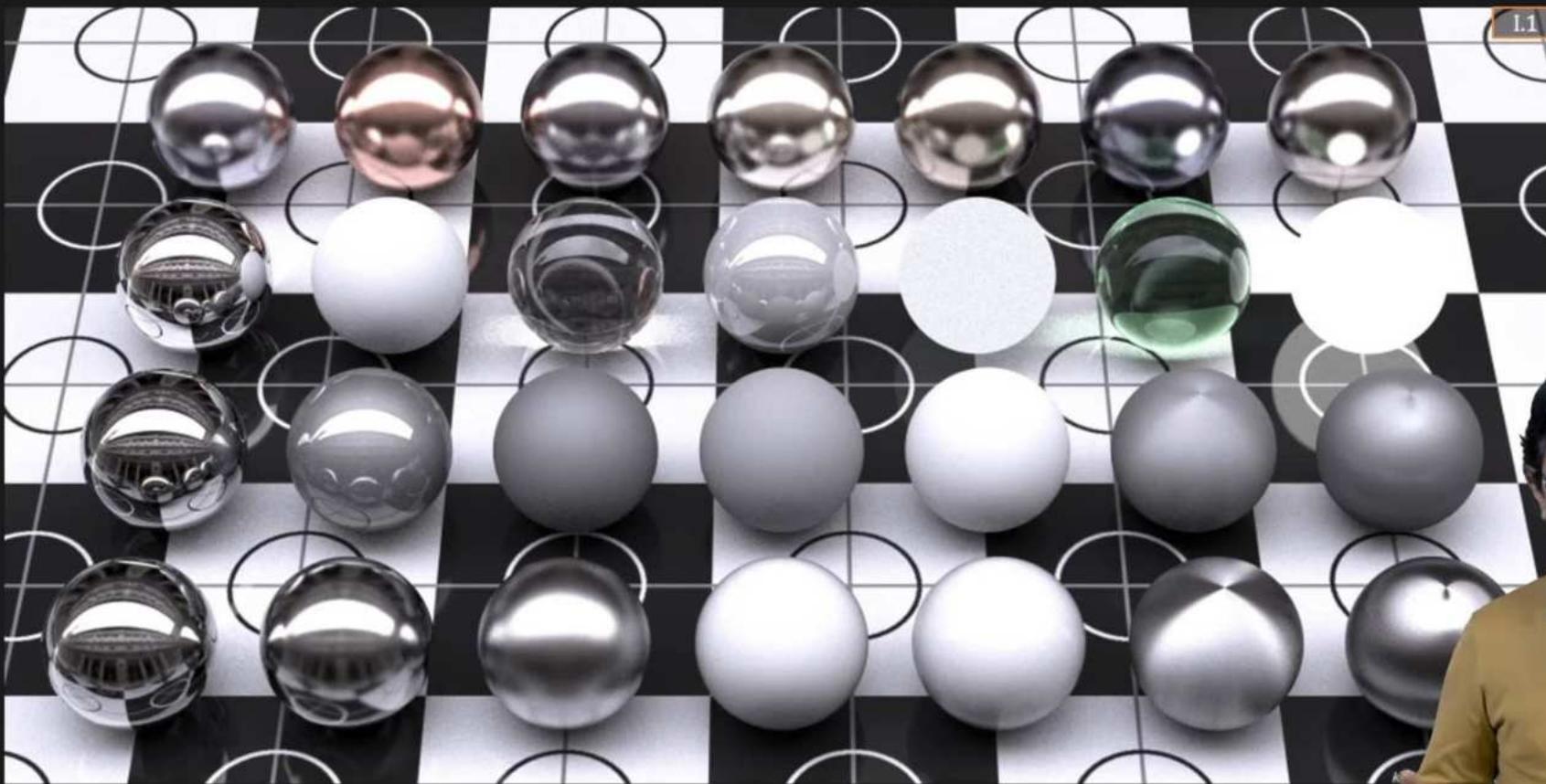


$$E = L \frac{\pi}{4} \left(\frac{d}{f}\right)^2 \cos^4 \alpha$$

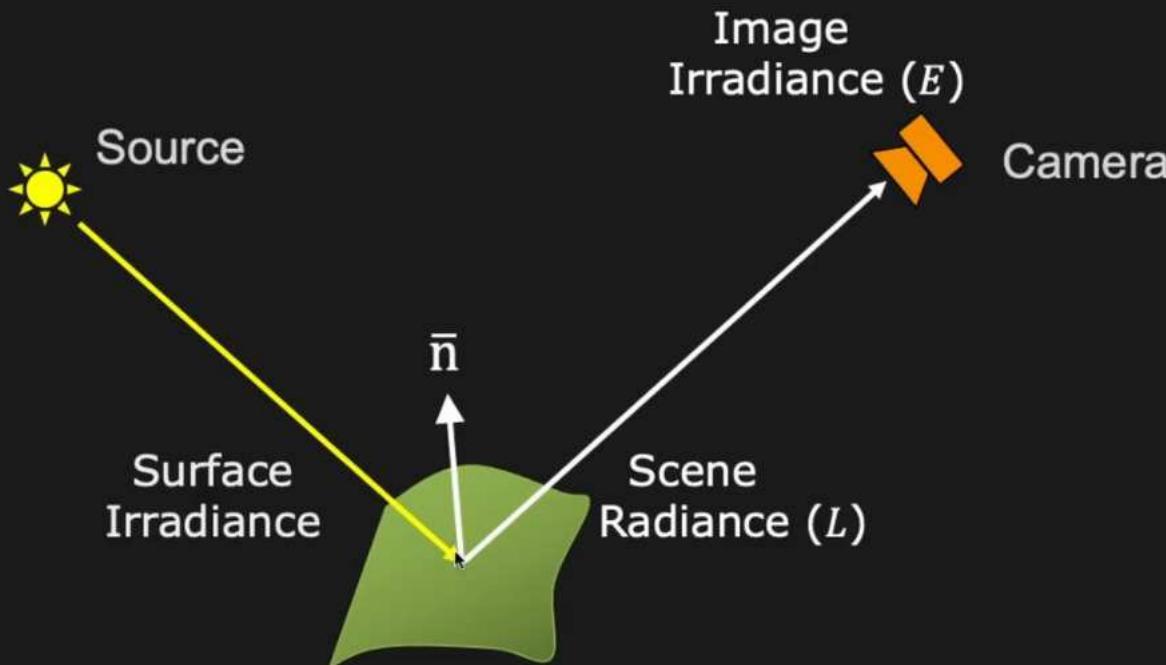
- Larger the scene depth, larger the area of light accumulation.
- Larger the scene depth, smaller the solid angle subtended by each point onto the lens, and hence less light from each point.



Surface Appearance



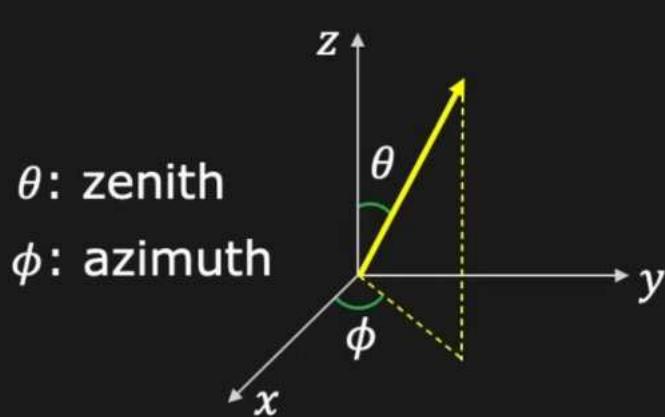
Surface Reflection



Surface reflection depends on both the viewing and illumination directions.

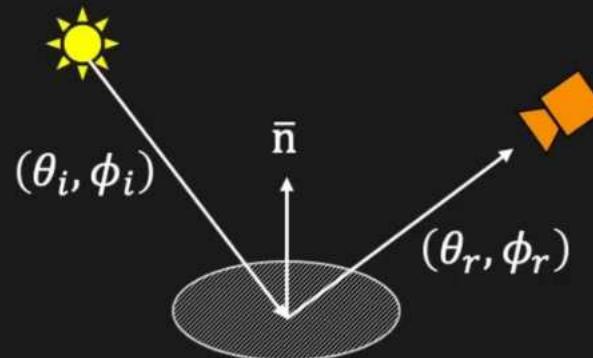


Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function



θ : zenith

ϕ : azimuth



$E(\theta_i, \phi_i)$: Irradiance due to source in direction (θ_i, ϕ_i)

$L(\theta_r, \phi_r)$: Radiance of surface in direction (θ_r, ϕ_r)

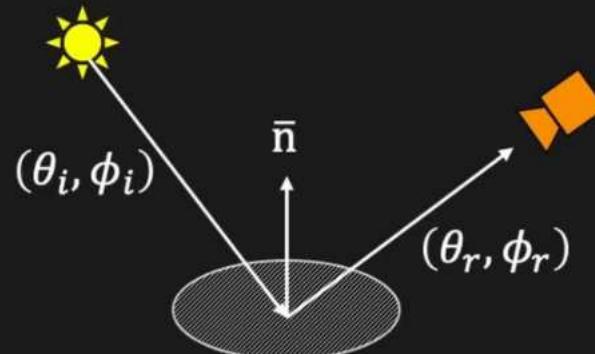
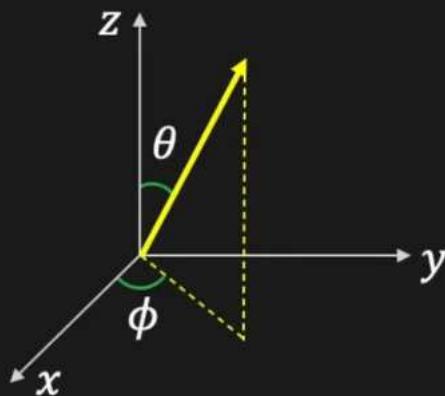
$$\text{BRDF: } f(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_r, \phi_r) = \frac{L(\theta_r, \phi_r)}{E(\theta_i, \phi_i)}$$

Unit: 1/sr

[Nicodemus 1977]



Properties of BRDF



Non-Negative:

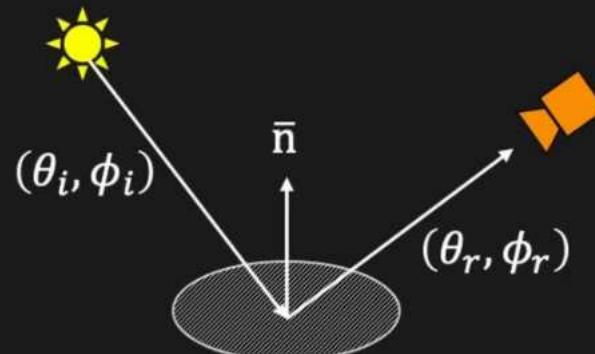
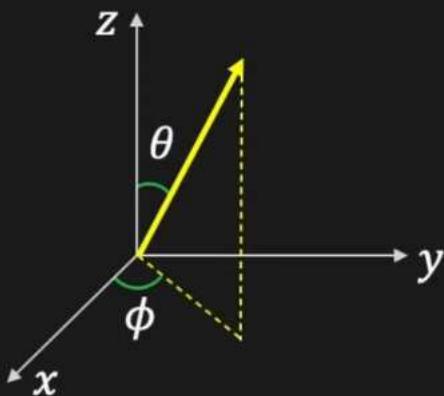
$$f(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_r, \phi_r) > 0$$

Helmholtz Reciprocity:

$$f(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_r, \phi_r) = f(\theta_r, \phi_r, \theta_i, \phi_i)$$



BRDF of Isotropic Surfaces



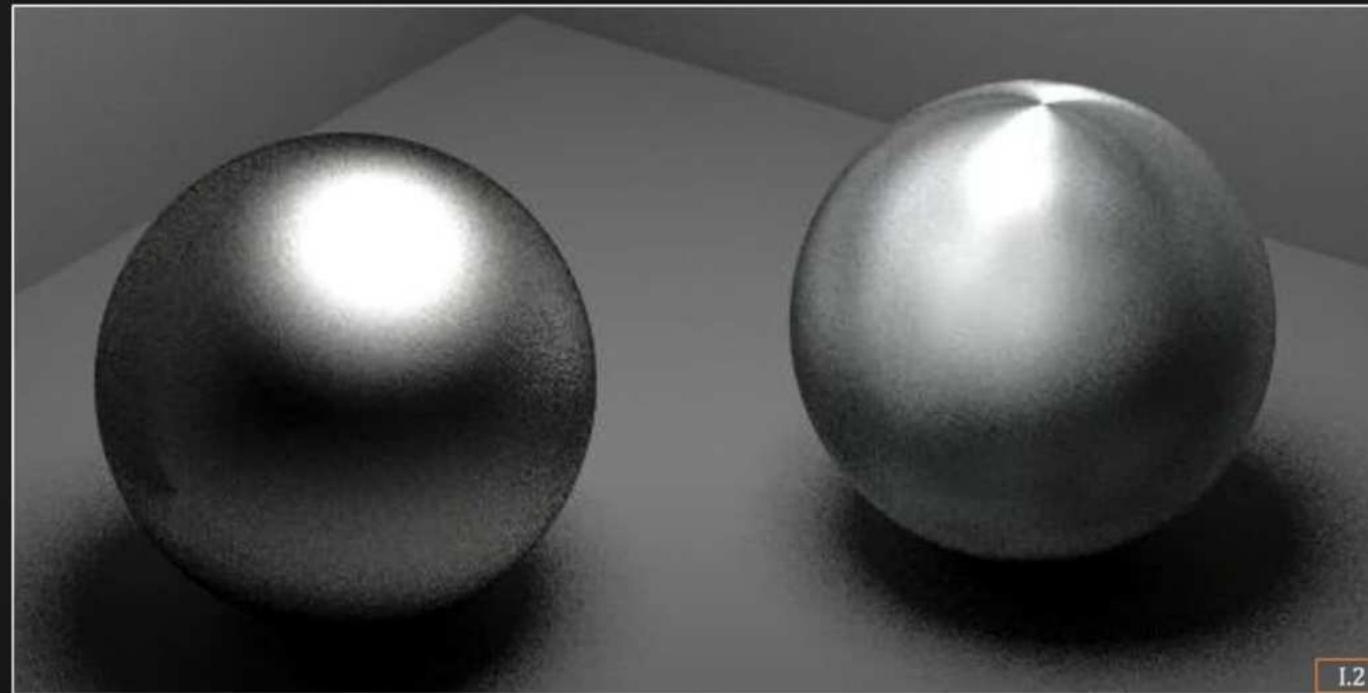
In general, BRDF is a 4-D function: $f(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_r, \phi_r)$

For **rotationally symmetric** reflectance (**Isotropic Surfaces**),
BRDF is a 3-D function:

$$f(\theta_i, \theta_r, \phi_i - \phi_r)$$



Isotropic BRDF and Anisotropic BRDF



Isotropic BRDF

Anisotropic BRDF



Anisotropic BRDFs in the Real World



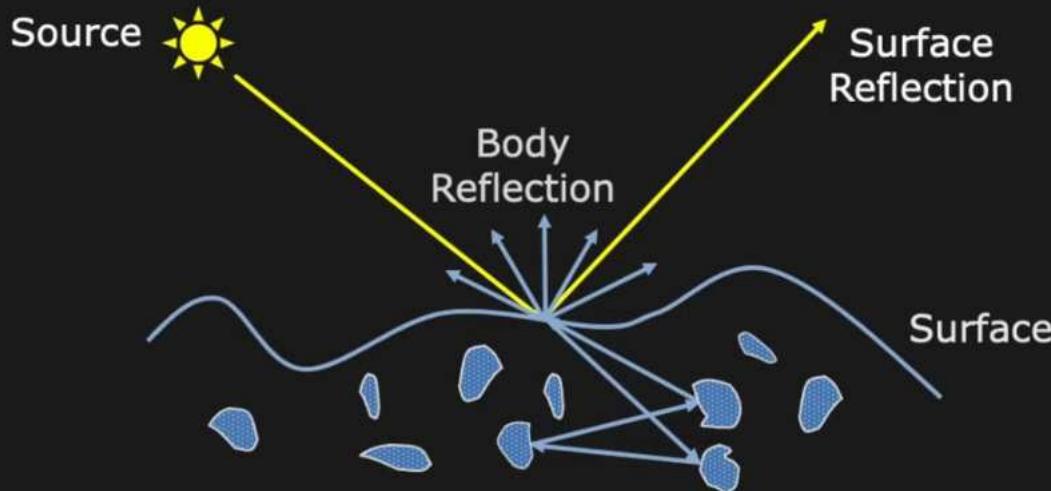
Butterfly wings



Peacock feathers



Reflection Mechanisms

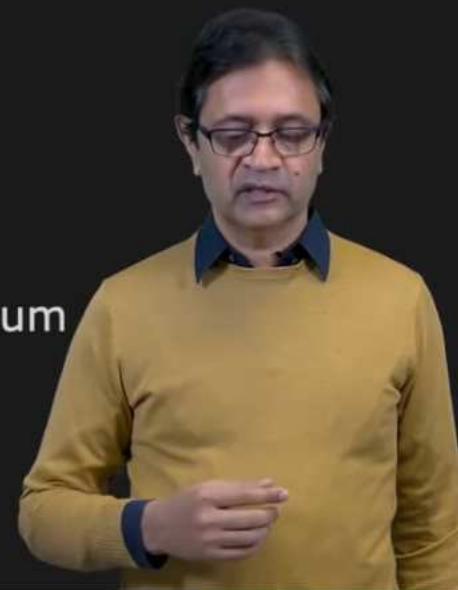


Surface Reflection

- Specular Reflection
- Glossy Appearance
- Smooth Surfaces
(e.g., mirror, glass)

Body Reflection

- Diffuse Reflection
- Matte Appearance
- Non-Homogeneous Medium
(e.g., clay, paper)



Examples

Body Reflection:



Surface Reflection:



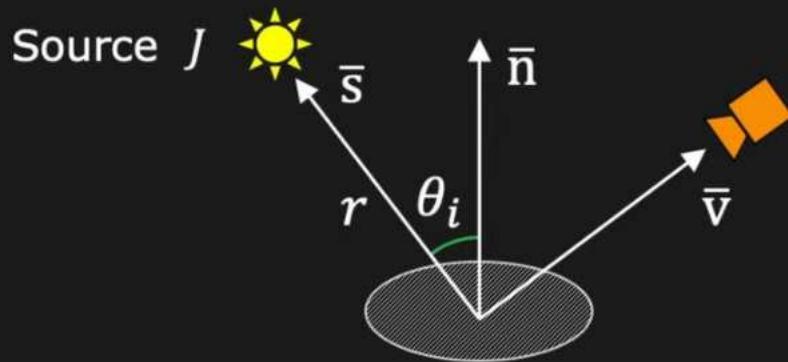
Hybrid Reflection
(Body + Surface):



[Nayar 1991]

Lambertian Model (Body)

Surface appears equally bright from **ALL** directions



Lambertian BRDF:

$$f(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_r, \phi_r) = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi} \quad \begin{matrix} \rho_d : \text{Albedo} \\ (0 \leq \rho_d \leq 1) \end{matrix}$$

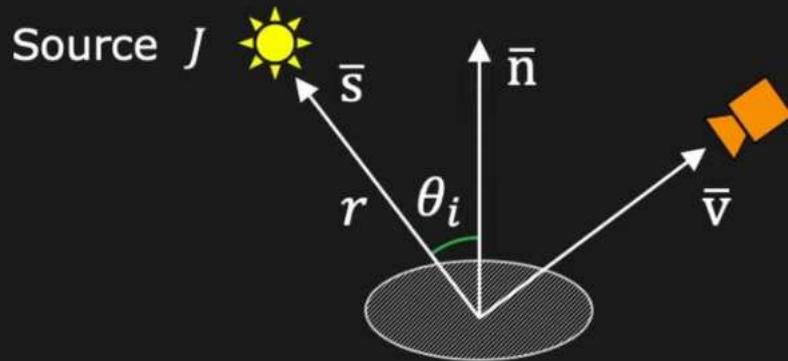
Commonly used in Vision and Graphics



[Lambert 1760]

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Radiance is proportional to Irradiance:

$$L = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi} E \quad E = \frac{J \cos \theta_i}{r^2} = \frac{J}{r^2} (\bar{n} \cdot \bar{s})$$

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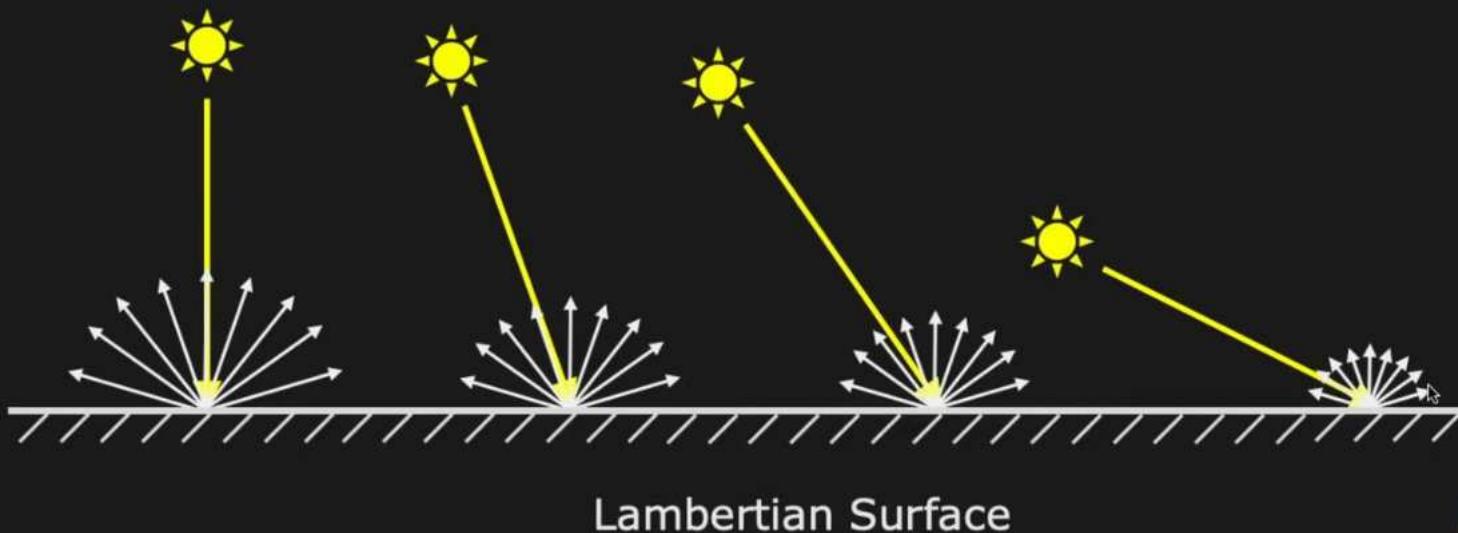
[Lambert 1760]



Lambertian Model

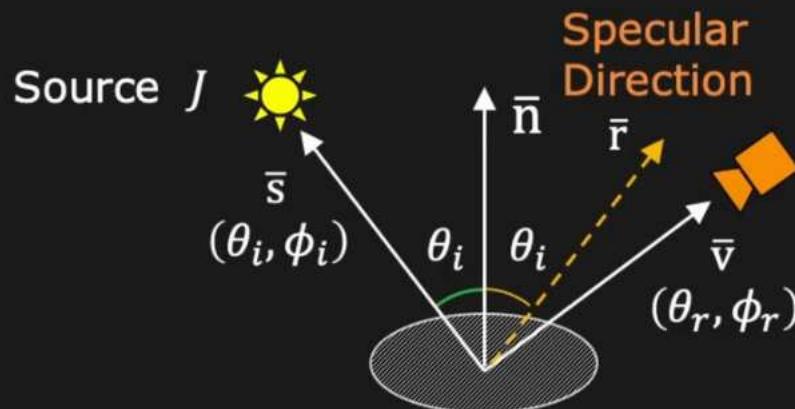
L is independent of viewing direction

$$L = \frac{\rho_d J}{\pi r^2} (\bar{n} \cdot \bar{s})$$



Ideal Specular Model (Surface)

Perfect Mirrors: All incident energy is reflected in a single direction.



Mirror BRDF:

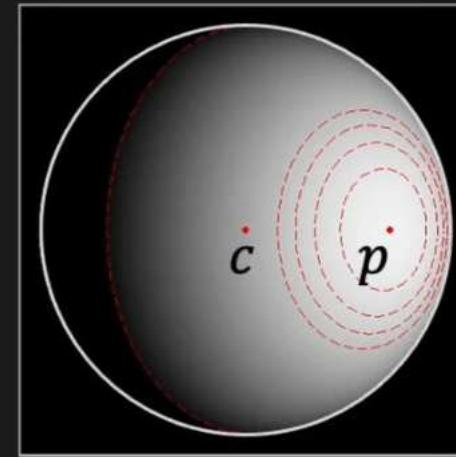
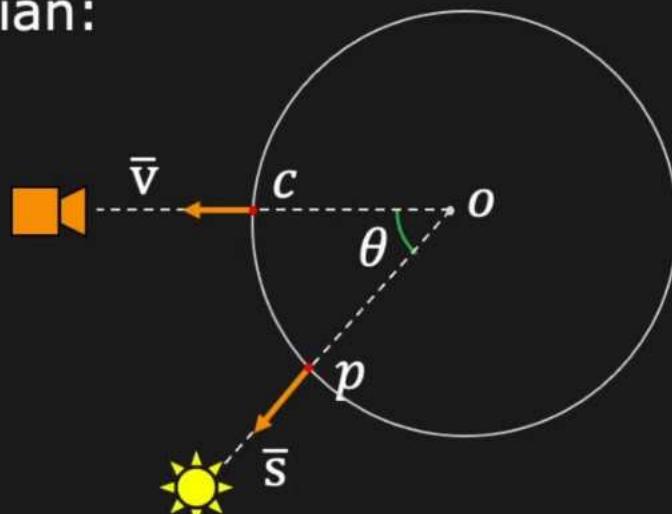
$$f(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_r, \phi_r) = \frac{\delta(\theta_i - \theta_r) \delta(\phi_i + \pi - \phi_r)}{\cos \theta_i \sin \theta_i}$$

Viewer receives light only when $\bar{v} = \bar{r}$

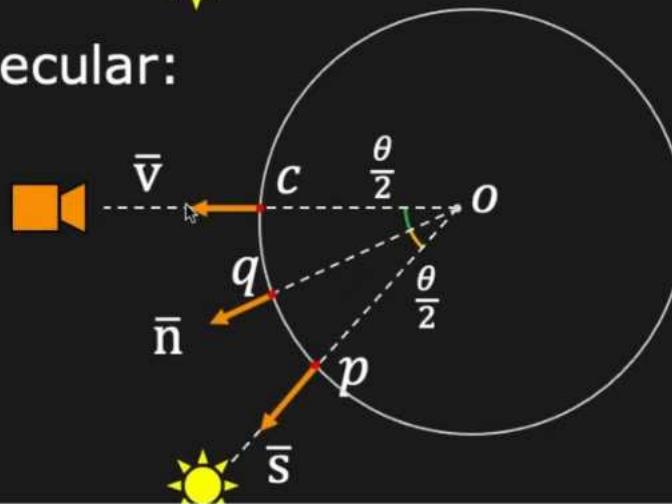


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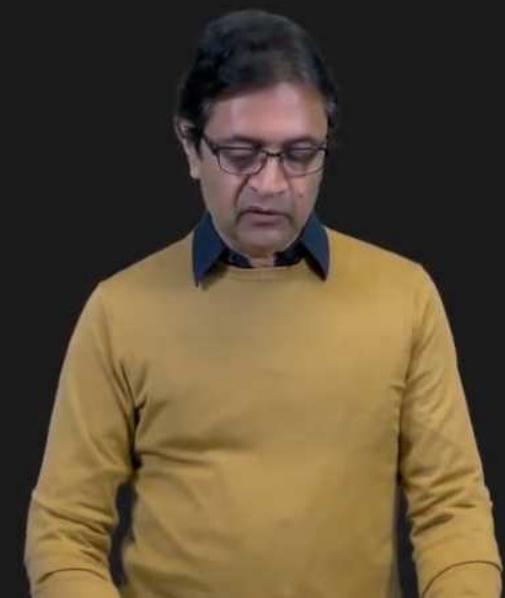
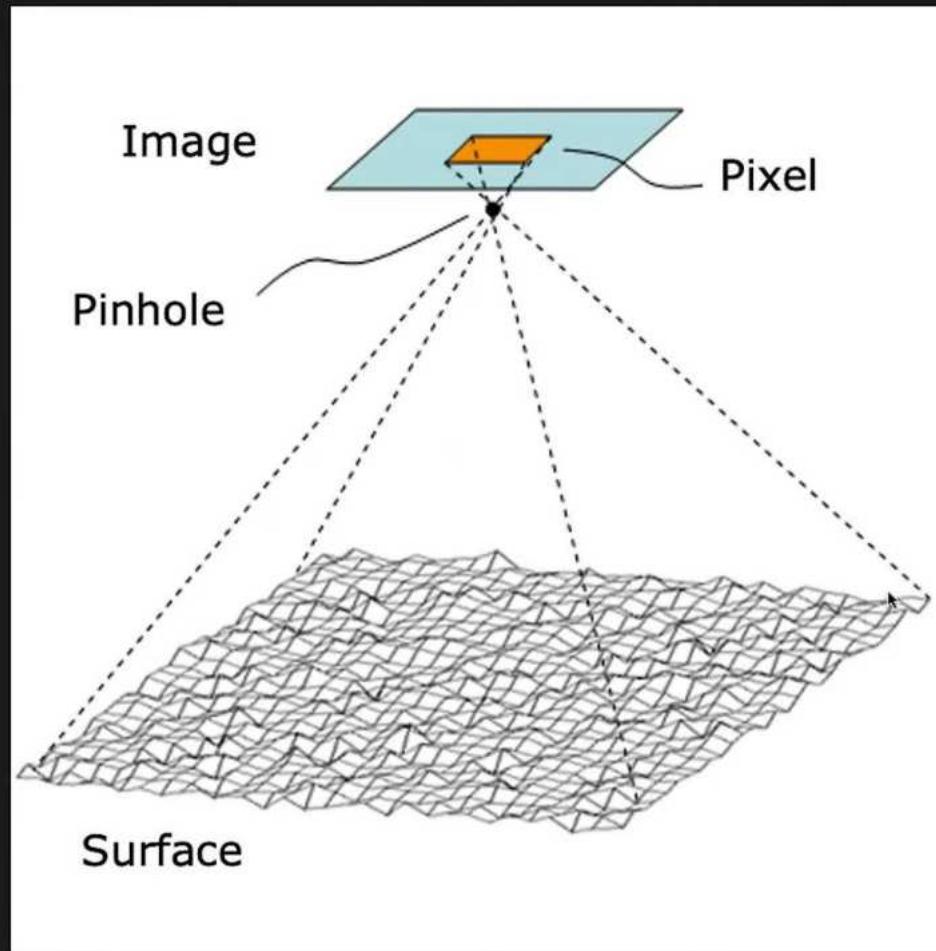
Lambertian:



Ideal Specular:

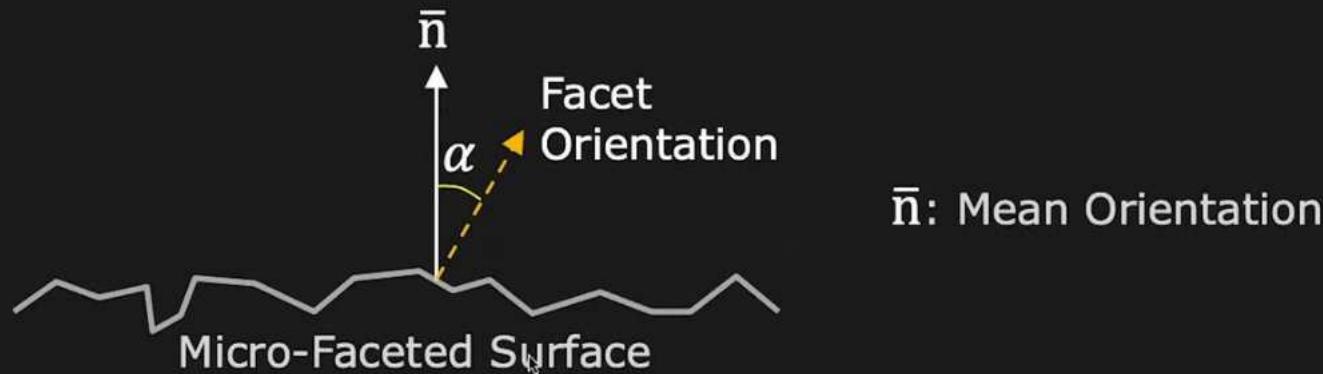


Surface Roughness



Modeling Surface Roughness

Micro-Facet Structure for Rough Surfaces:



\bar{n} : Mean Orientation

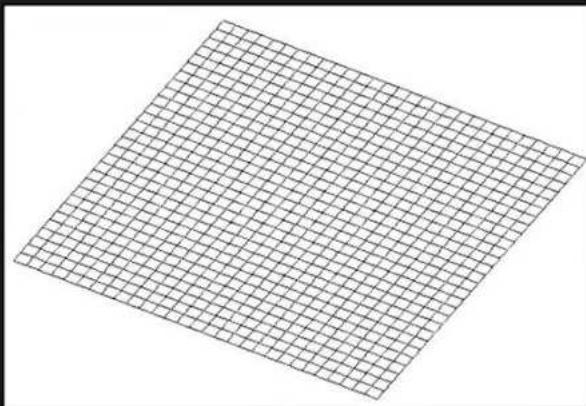
Gaussian Micro-Facet Model:

$$p(\alpha, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{\alpha^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

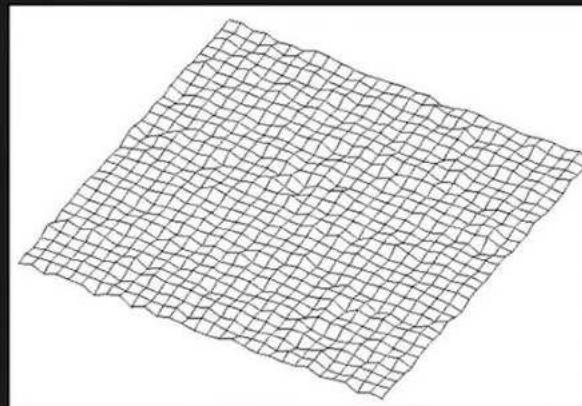
where σ : Roughness Parameter



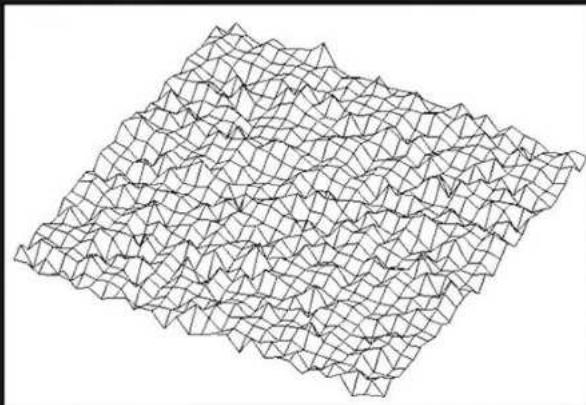
Rough Surfaces



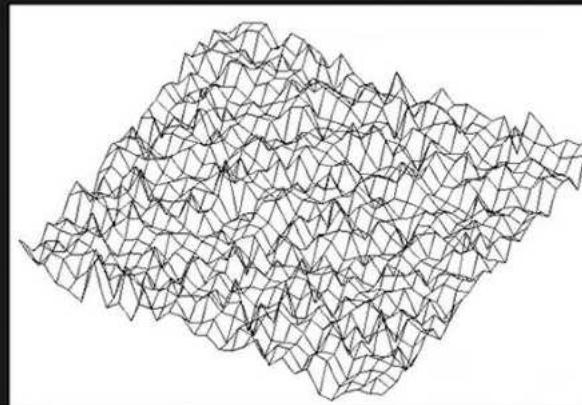
$\sigma = 0$



$\sigma = 0.1$



$\sigma = 0.3$



$\sigma = 0.6$



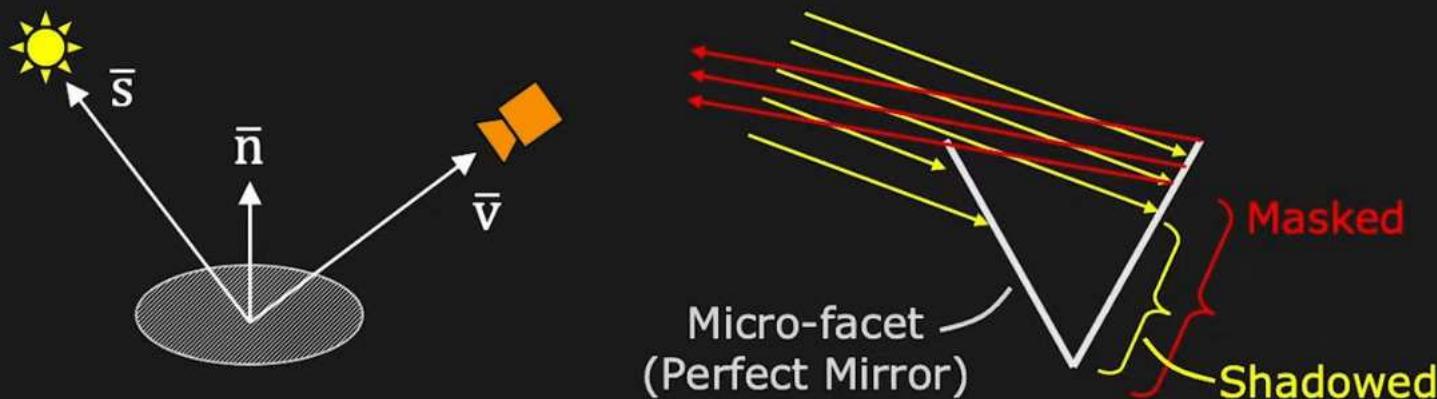
Specular Reflection from Rough Surface

Torrance-Sparrow BRDF Model: (Each Facet is a Perfect Mirror)

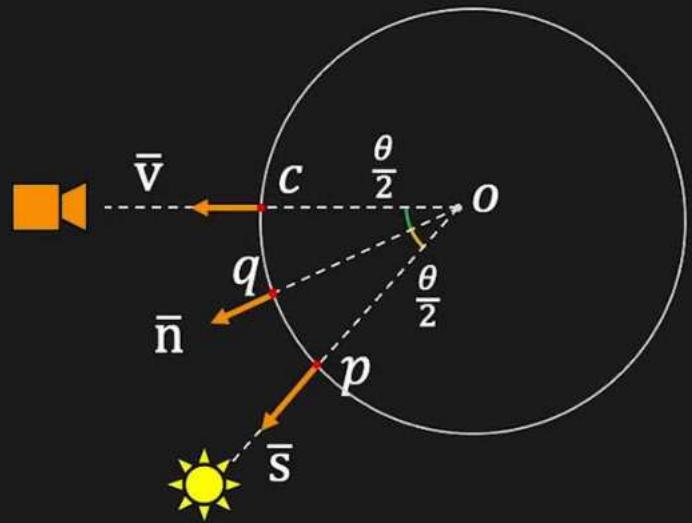
$$f(\bar{s}, \bar{v}) = \frac{\rho_s}{(\bar{n} \cdot \bar{s})(\bar{n} \cdot \bar{v})} p(\alpha, \sigma) G(\bar{s}, \bar{n}, \bar{v})$$

where $p(\alpha, \sigma)$: surface roughness distribution

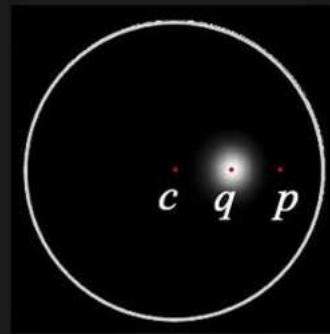
$G(\bar{s}, \bar{n}, \bar{v})$: geometric factor (masking, shadowing)



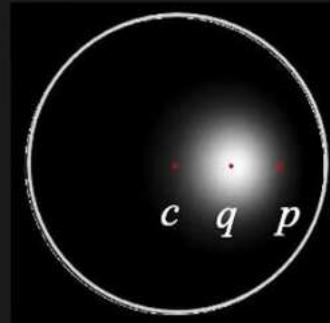
Specular Reflection from Rough Surface



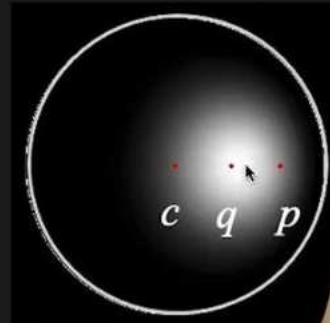
$\sigma = 0$
(Mirror)



$\sigma = 0.1$



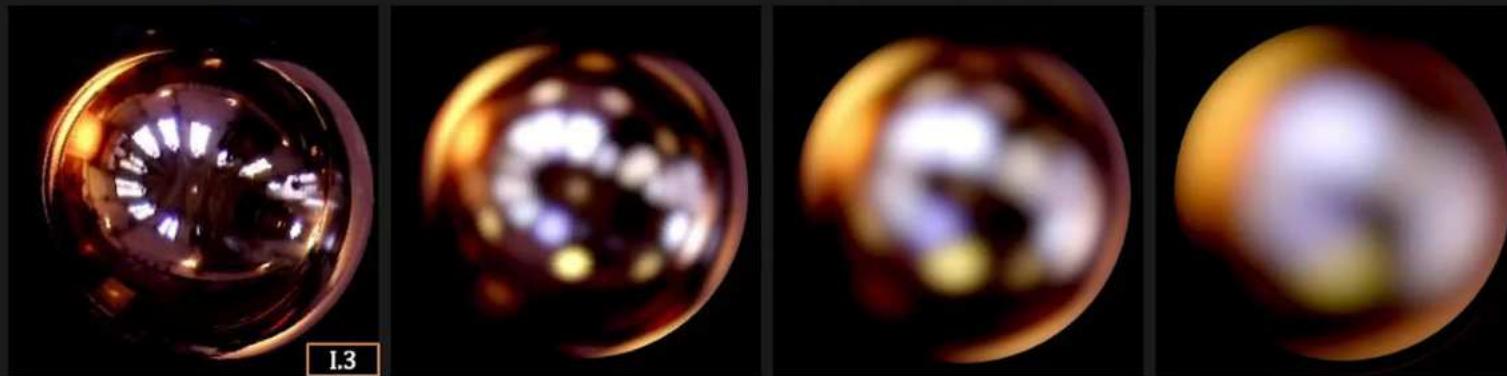
$\sigma = 0.3$



$\sigma = 0.6$



Specular Reflection from Rough Surface



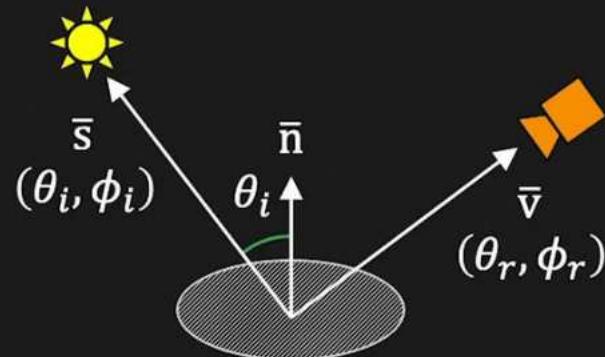
Roughness



Body Reflection from Rough Surfaces

Oren-Nayar BRDF Model: (Each Facet is Lambertian)

$$f(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_r, \phi_r) = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi} (A + B \cdot \max(0, \cos(\phi_r - \phi_i)) \cdot \sin \alpha \cdot \tan \beta)$$

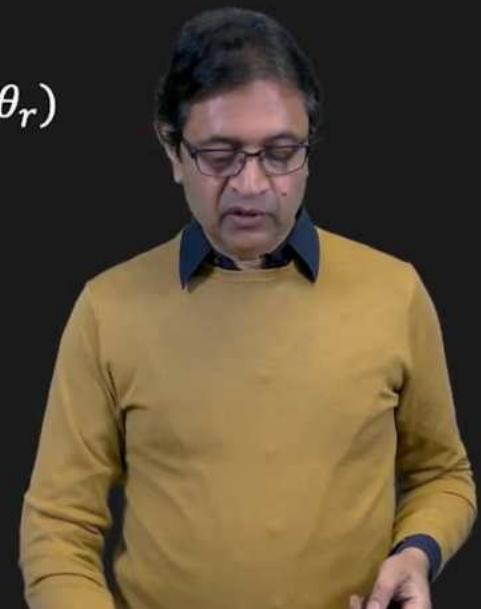


$$A = 1 - \frac{\sigma^2}{2(\sigma^2 + 0.33)} \quad \alpha = \max(\theta_i, \theta_r)$$

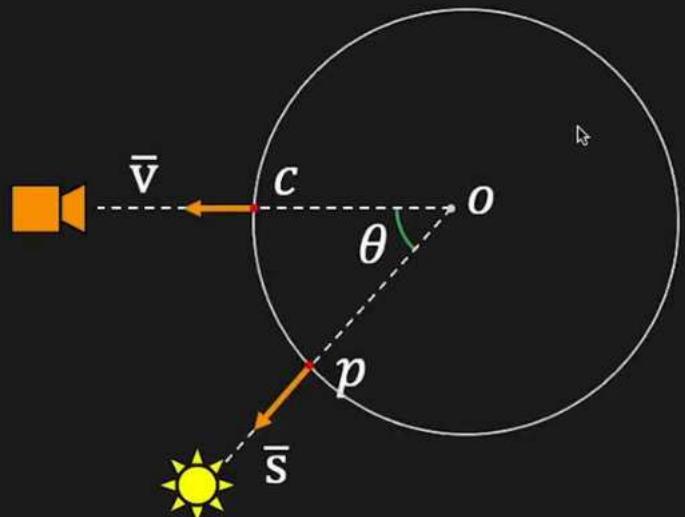
$$B = \frac{0.45\sigma^2}{(\sigma^2 + 0.09)} \quad \beta = \min(\theta_i, \theta_r)$$

σ - surface roughness

When $\sigma = 0$, it is the Lambertian model



Body Reflection from Rough Surfaces



$\sigma = 0$
(Lambertian)



$\sigma = 0.1$



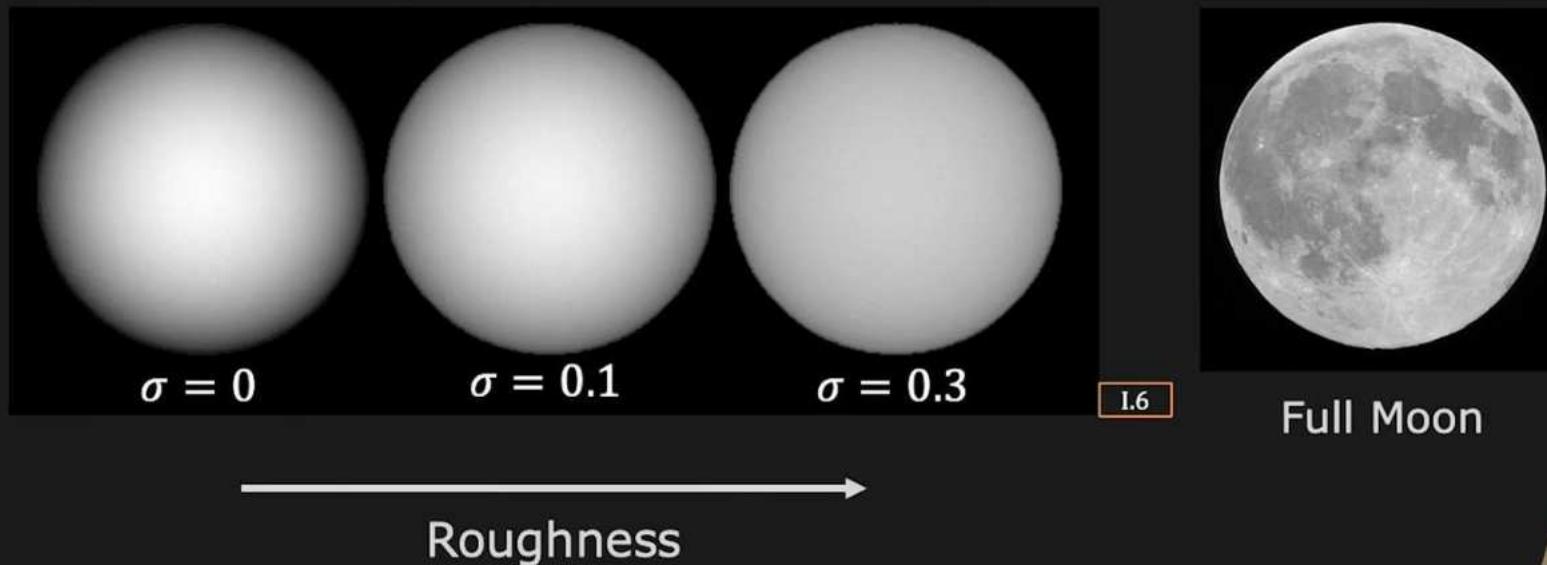
$\sigma = 0.3$



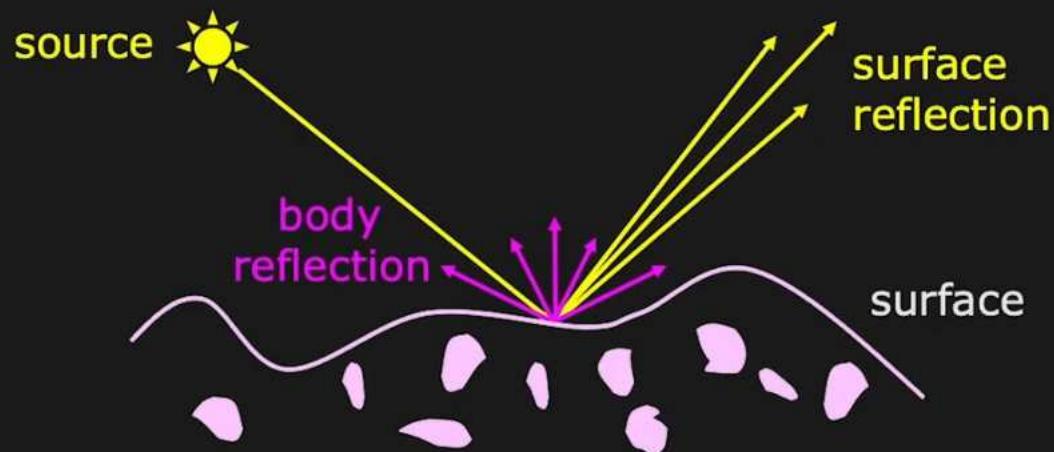
$\sigma = 0.6$



Body Reflection from Rough Surfaces



Color Reflectance Model



- **Color of body (diffuse) reflection**
= color of object \times color of illumination
- **Color of surface (specular) reflection**
= color of illumination

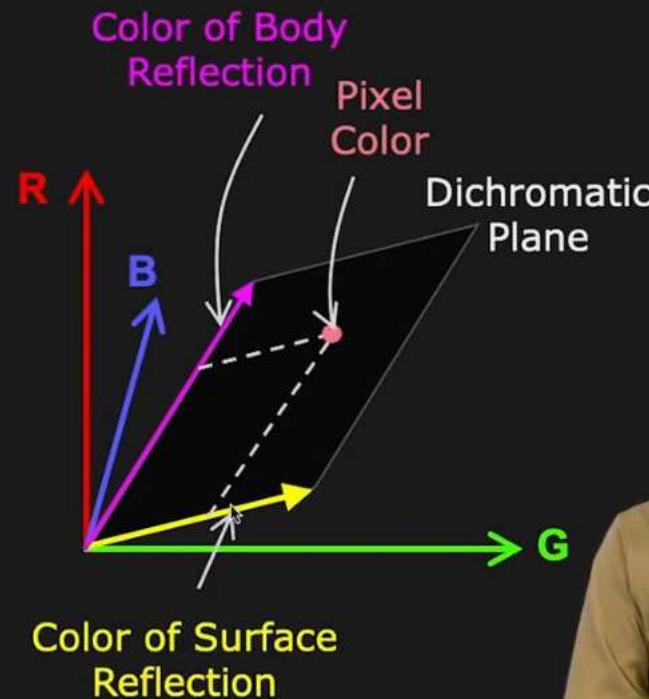


Color Reflectance: Dichromatic Model

Pixel color is a linear combination of the color of body reflection and the color of surface reflection.

$$\begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix} = m_b \begin{bmatrix} R_b \\ G_b \\ B_b \end{bmatrix} + m_s \begin{bmatrix} R_s \\ G_s \\ B_s \end{bmatrix}$$

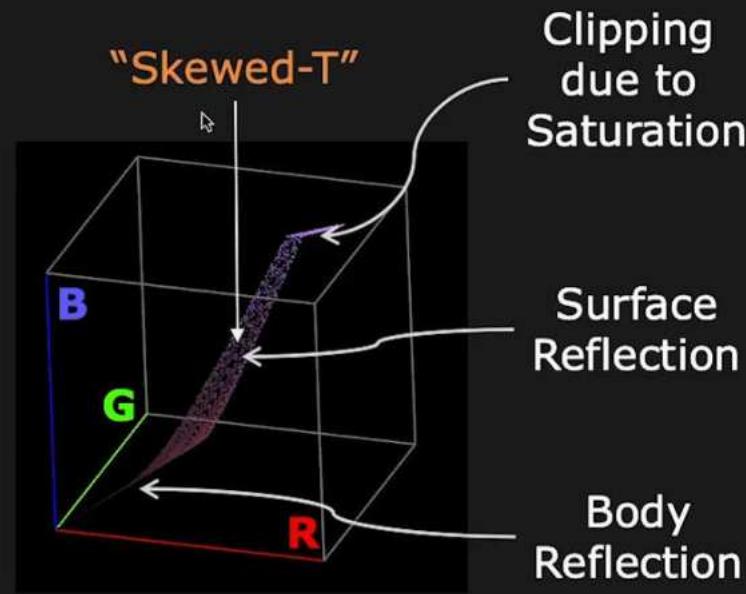
↑
Color of Body Reflection ↑
Color of Surface Reflection



Color Reflectance: Dichromatic Model



Illumination Color:



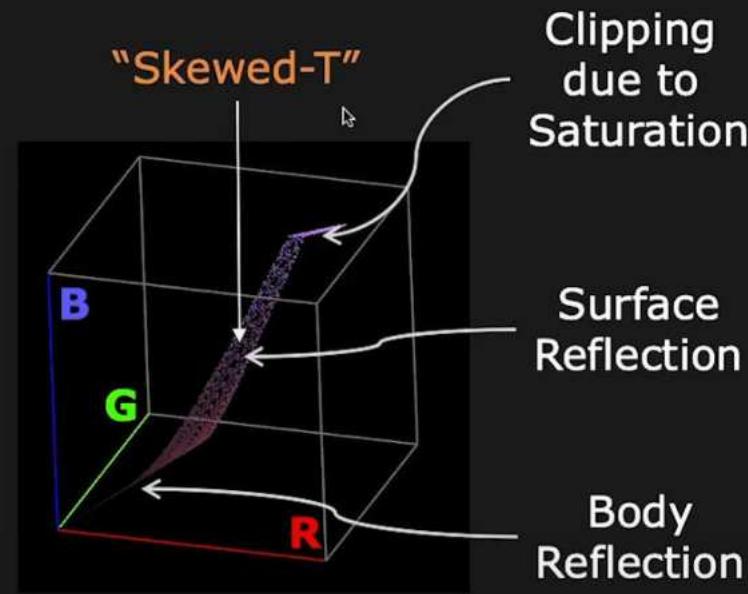
Color Histogram



Color Reflectance: Dichromatic Model



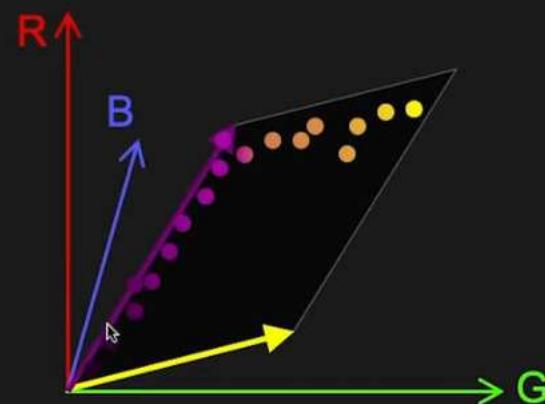
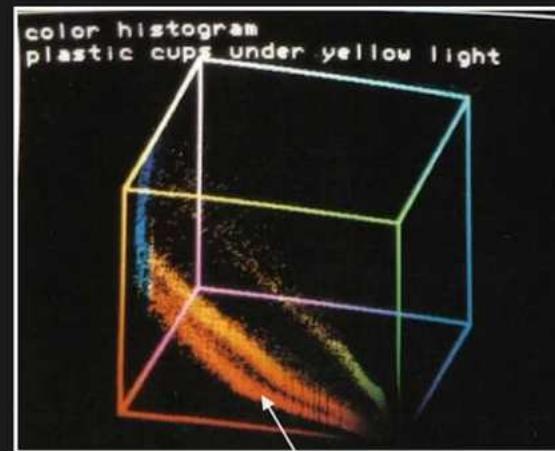
Illumination Color:



Color Histogram



Separating Body and Surface Reflection



[Klinker 1990]

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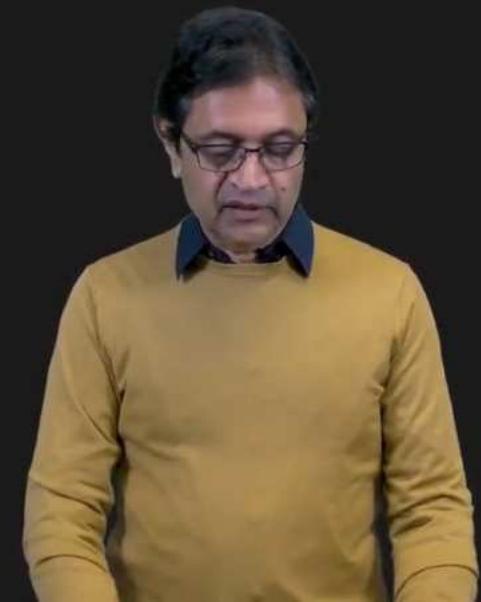
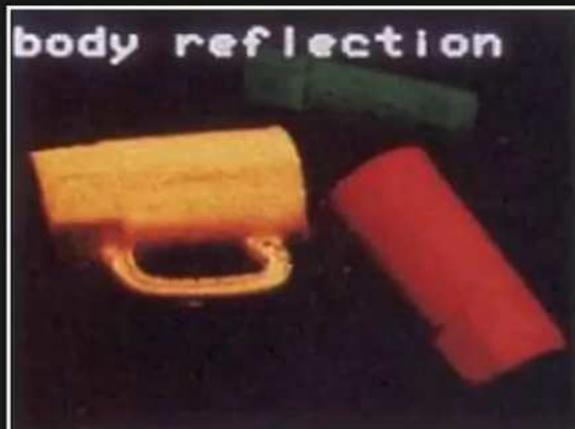
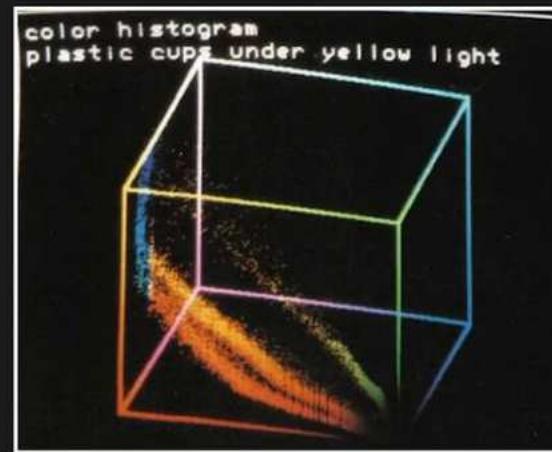


Image Intensity

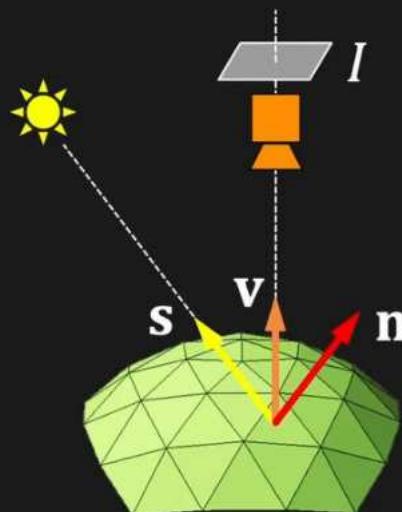
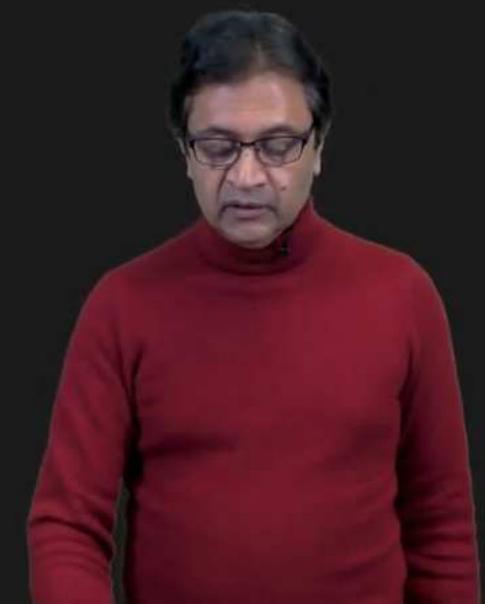


Image Intensity $I = \mathcal{F}(\text{Source},$
 $\text{Surface Normal } n,$
 $\text{Surface Reflectance})$



Photometric Stereo

Method for recovering 3D shape information from image intensities measured using multiple sources.

Topics:

- (1) Gradient Space and Reflectance Map
- (2) Photometric Stereo
- (3) Calibration Based Photometric Stereo

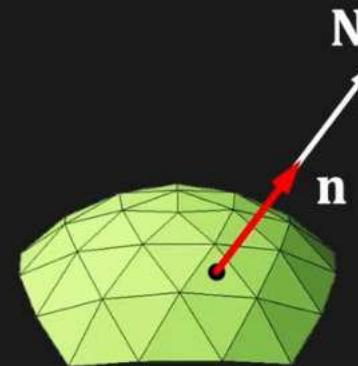


Surface Gradient and Normal

Let $z = f(x, y)$ represent a 3D surface.

Surface gradient:

$$\left(-\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, -\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}\right) = (p, q)$$



$$z = f(x, y)$$

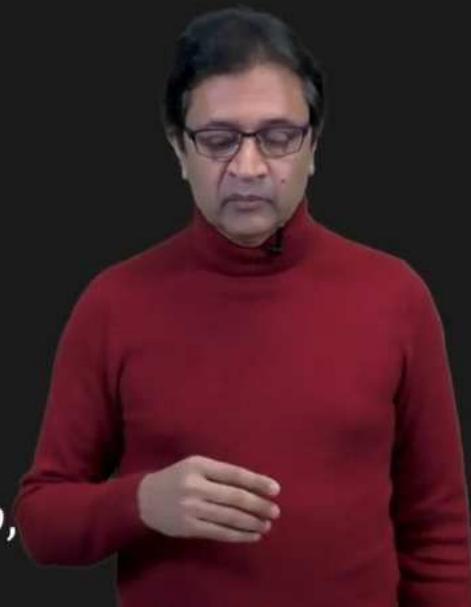
Surface normal:

$$\mathbf{N} = \left(-\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, -\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}, 1\right) = (p, q, 1)$$

Unit surface normal:

$$\mathbf{n} = \frac{\mathbf{N}}{\|\mathbf{N}\|} = \frac{(p, q, 1)}{\sqrt{p^2 + q^2 + 1}}$$

Surface Normal represented with only two parameters (p ,



Gradient Space

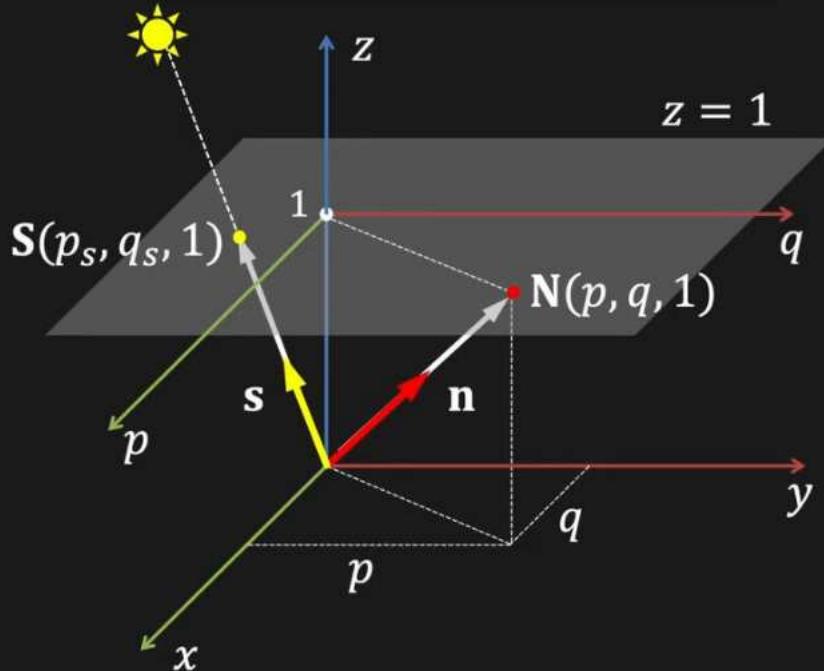
Plane $z = 1$ is called the Gradient Space or pq Plane

Surface normal:

$$\mathbf{n} = \frac{\mathbf{N}}{\|\mathbf{N}\|} = \frac{(p, q, 1)}{\sqrt{p^2 + q^2 + 1}}$$

Source direction:

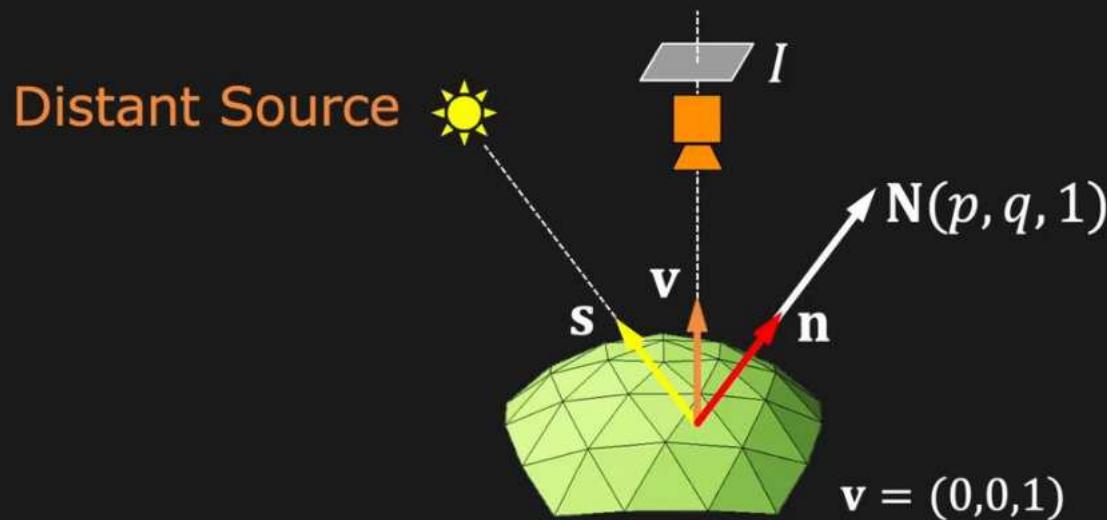
$$\mathbf{s} = \frac{\mathbf{S}}{\|\mathbf{S}\|} = \frac{(p_s, q_s, 1)}{\sqrt{p_s^2 + q_s^2 + 1}}$$



Every point (p, q) in the Gradient Space corresponds to a unique orientation.



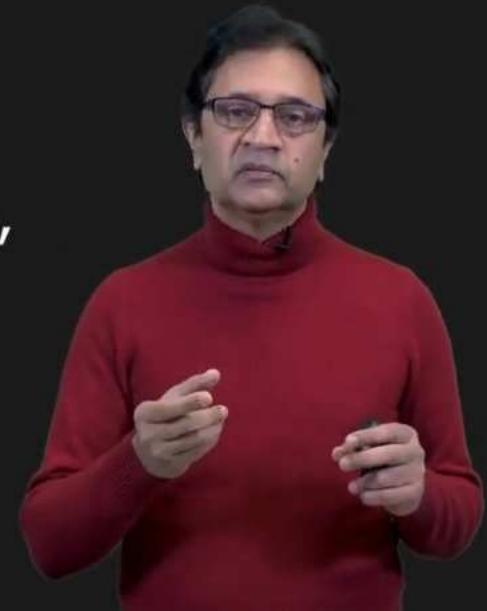
Reflectance Map $R(p, q)$



For a given source direction s and surface reflectance,
image intensity at a point (x, y) :

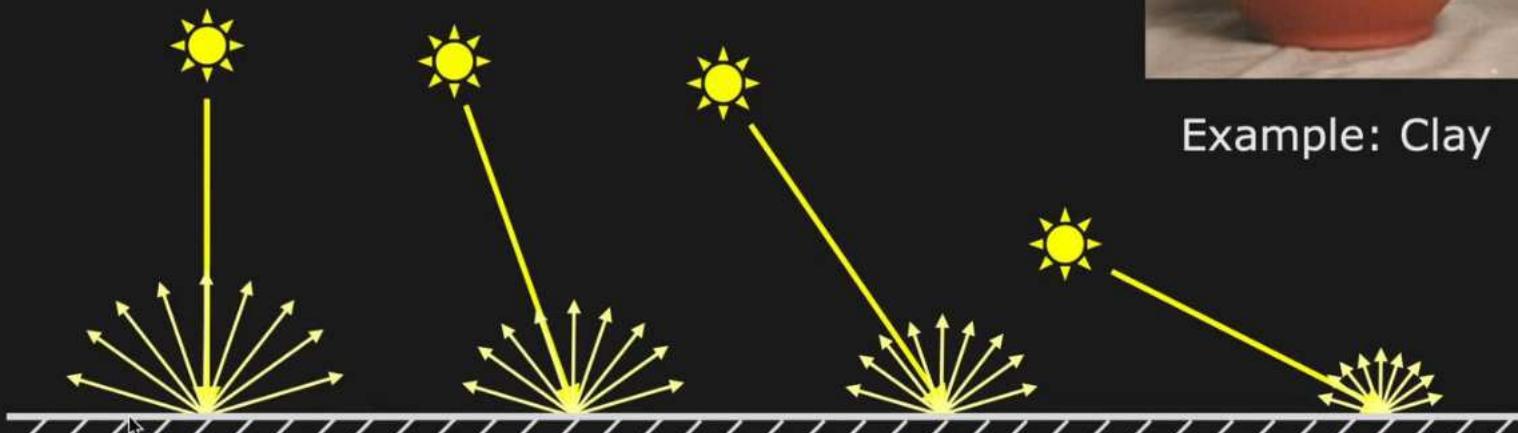
$$I = R(p, q)$$

Reflectance Map

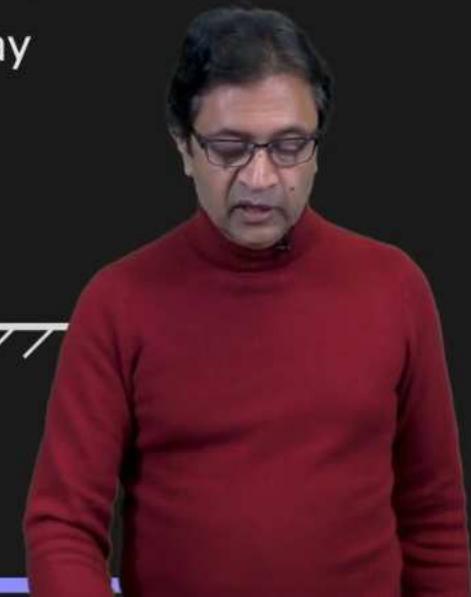


Review: Lambertian Surface

Image intensity I is independent of viewing direction.



Example: Clay



Reflectance Map: Lambertian Surface

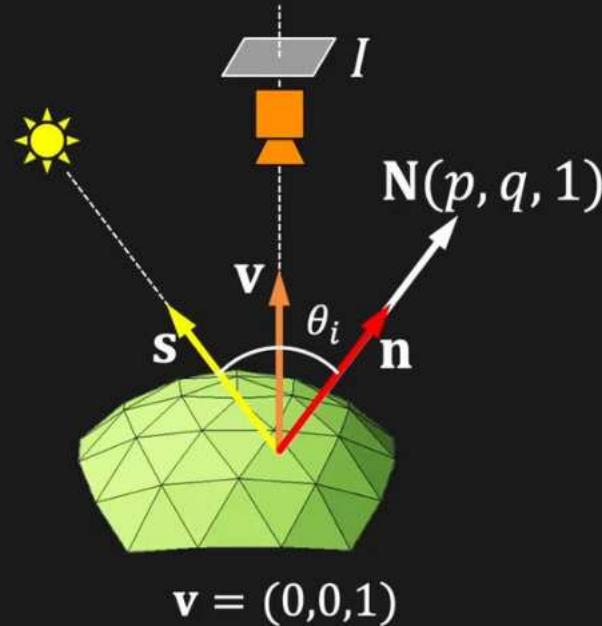
Image Intensity:

$$I = c \frac{\rho}{\pi} \frac{J}{r^2} \cos \theta_i = c \frac{\rho}{\pi} k(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s})$$

where k : Source "Brightness"

ρ : Surface Albedo (Reflectance)

c : Constant (Camera Gain)



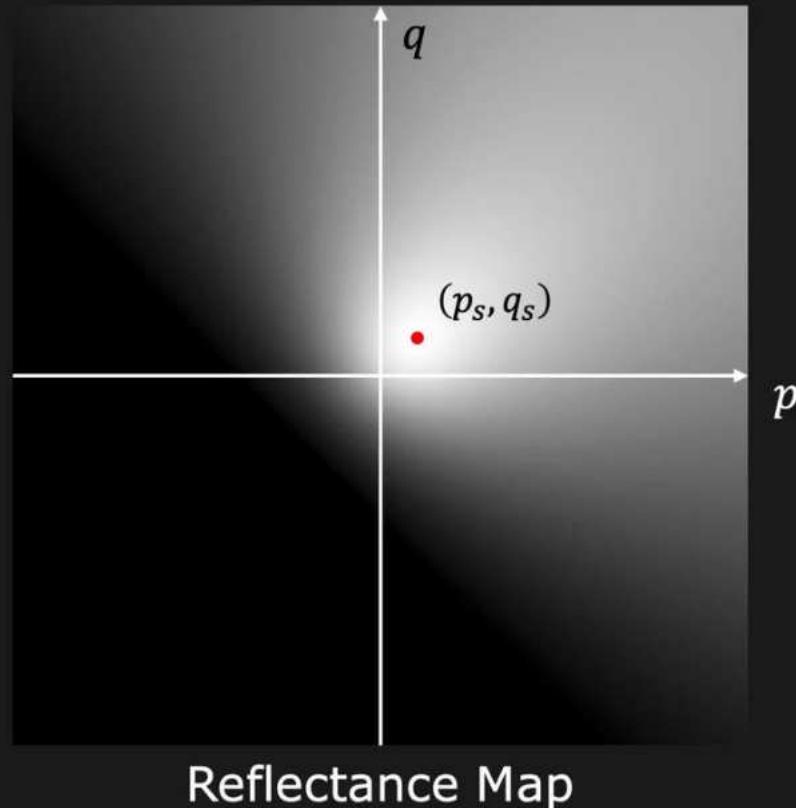
Let $c \frac{\rho}{\pi} k = 1$ then,

$$I = \cos \theta_i = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s}$$



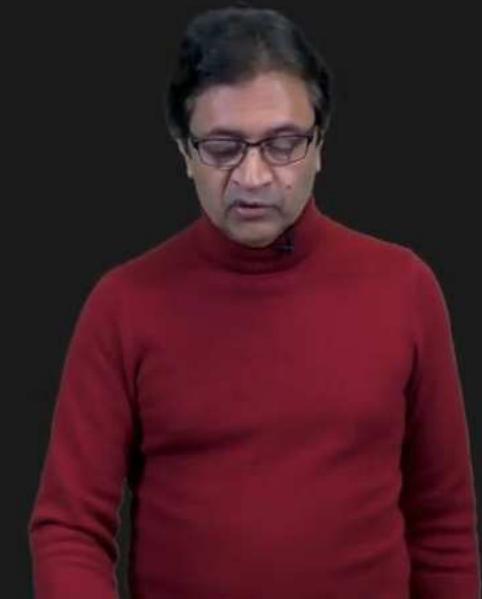
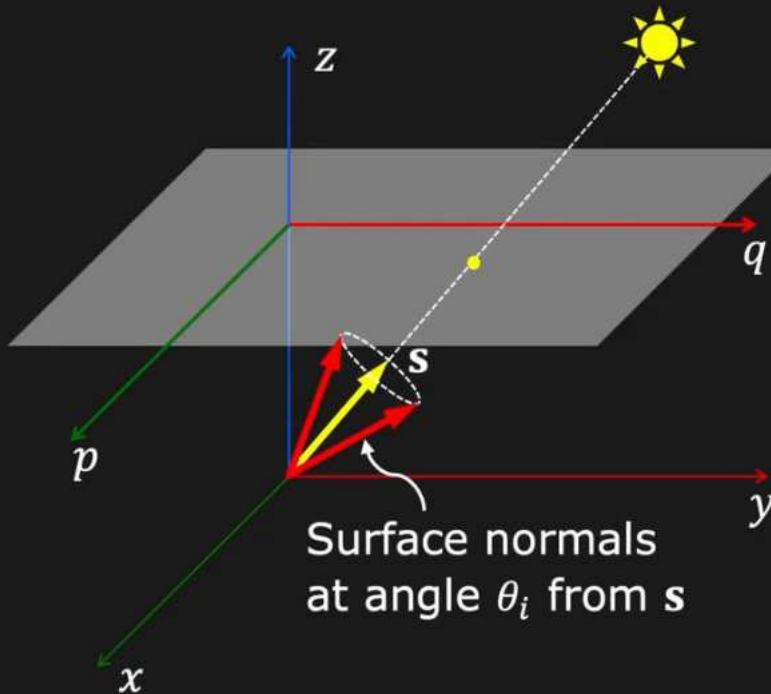
Reflectance Map: Lambertian Surface

$$I = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s} = \frac{pp_s + qq_s + 1}{\sqrt{p^2 + q^2 + 1}\sqrt{{p_s}^2 + {q_s}^2 + 1}} = R(p, q)$$



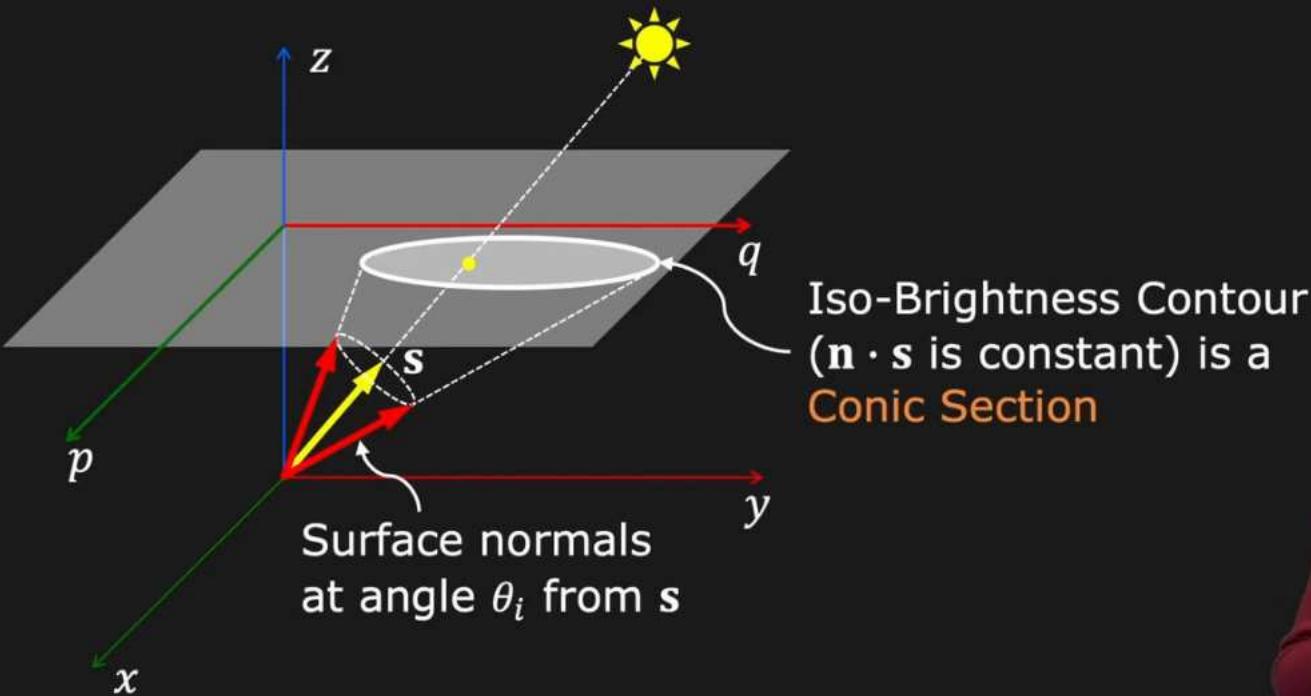
Reflectance Map: Iso-Brightness Contours

$$I = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s} = \frac{pp_s + qq_s + 1}{\sqrt{p^2 + q^2 + 1}\sqrt{p_s^2 + q_s^2 + 1}} = R(p, q)$$



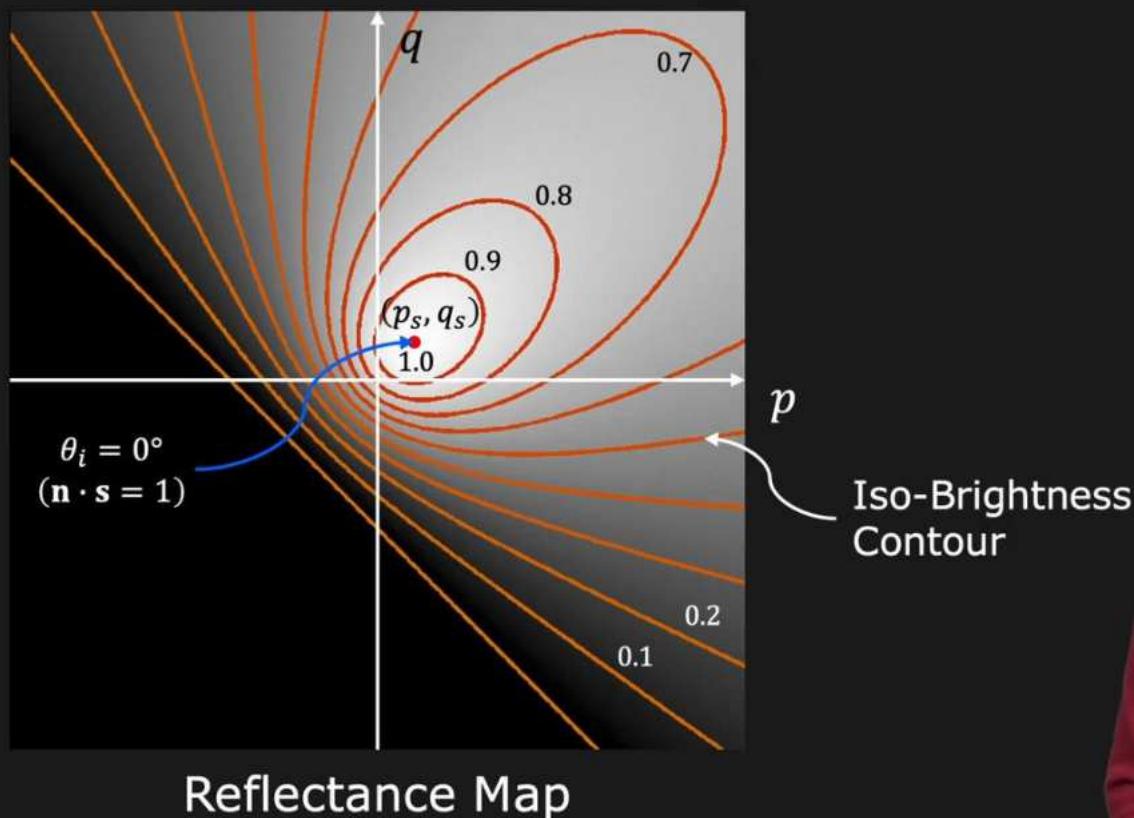
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Reflectance Map: Lambertian Surface

$$I = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s} = \frac{pp_s + qq_s + 1}{\sqrt{p^2 + q^2 + 1}\sqrt{p_s^2 + q_s^2 + 1}} = R(p, q)$$



Shape from a Single Image?

Given image I , source direction s and surface reflectance

Reflectance Map $R(p, q)$

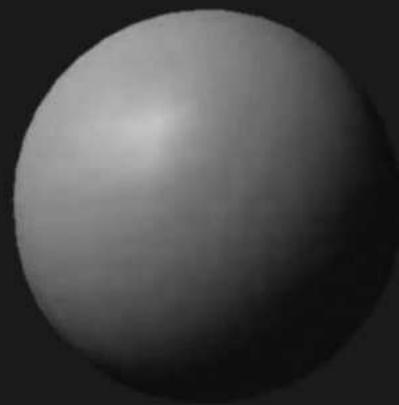
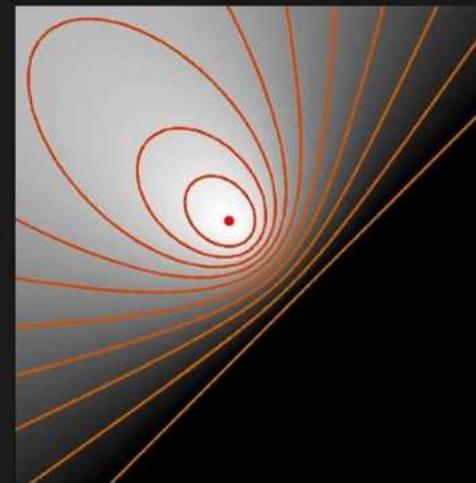


Image I



Reflectance Map $R(p, q)$



Shape from a Single Image?

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Reflectance Map $R(p, q)$

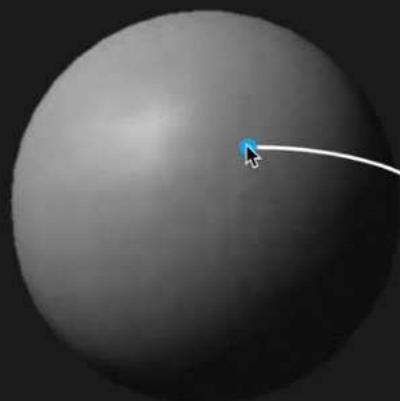
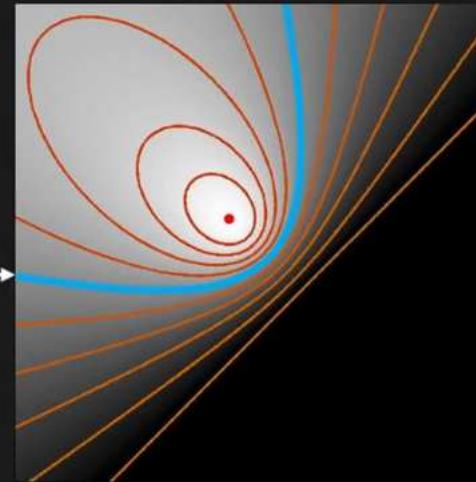


Image I



Reflectance Map $R(p, q)$



Can we estimate surface gradients (p, q) at each pixel? NO

Intensity at each pixel maps to infinite (p, q) values along the corresponding iso-brightness contour.

Photometric Stereo

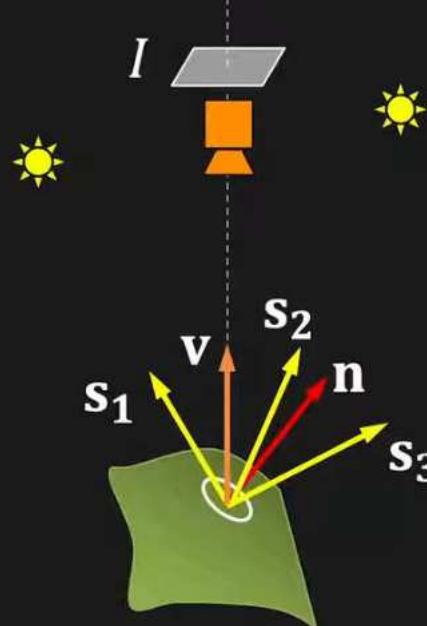
Idea: Use multiple images under different lighting to resolve the ambiguity in surface orientation.

Notation:

Direction of source i : $\mathbf{s}_i \equiv (p_{si}, q_{si})$

Reflectance map for source i : $R_i(p, q)$

Image intensity produced by source i : $I_i(x, y)$



[Woodham 1980]

Photometric Stereo: Basic Idea

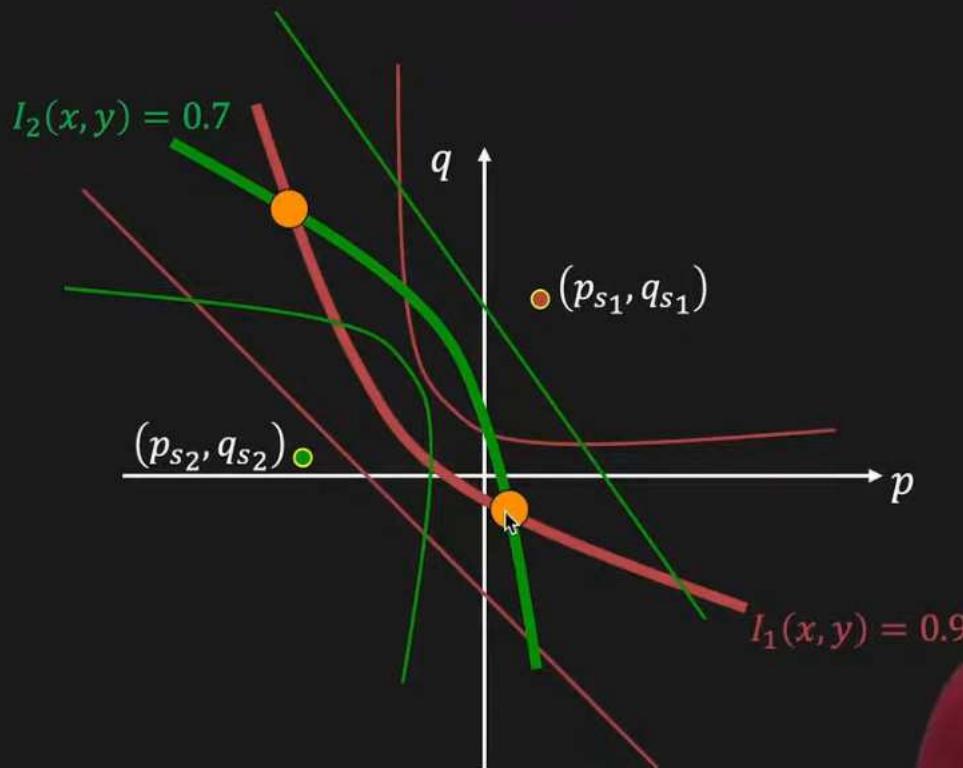
Capture Image I_2 under Light Source $s_2(p_{s_2}, q_{s_2})$.

For Example:

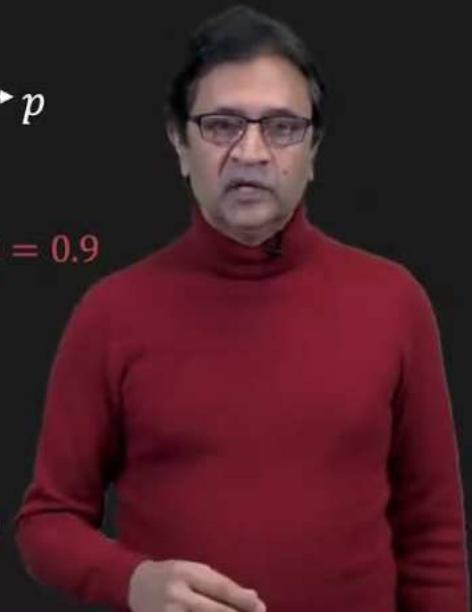
Let $I_1(x, y) = 0.9$

$I_2(x, y) = 0.7$

Two solutions
exist for (p, q)



Reflectance Maps $R_1(p, q), R_2(p, q)$



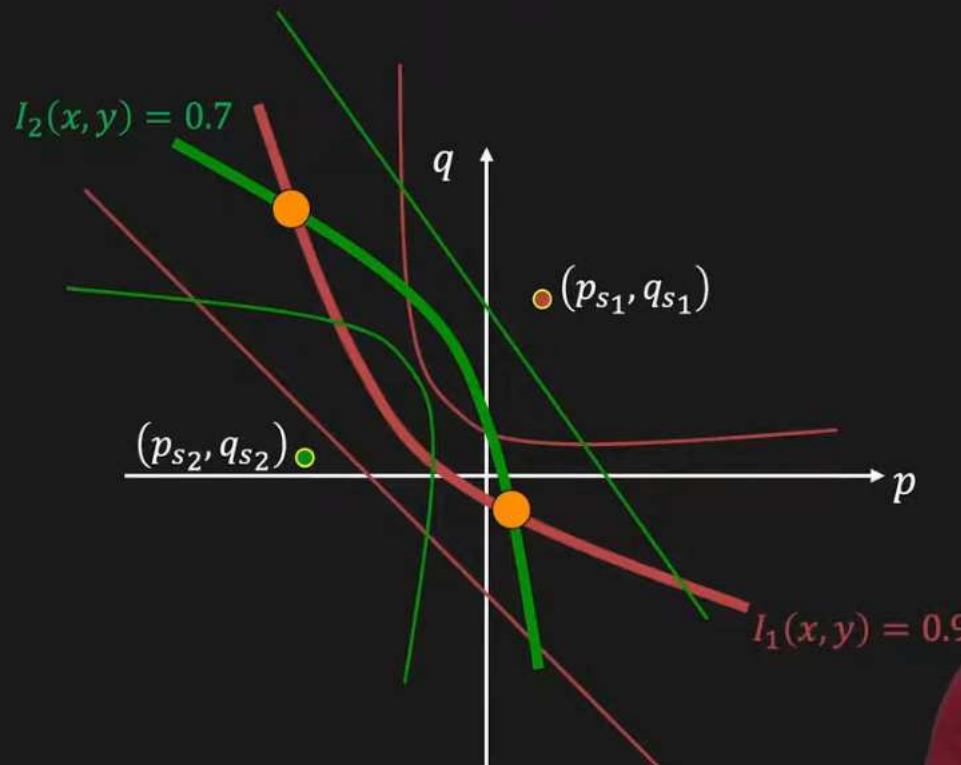
Photometric Stereo: Basic Idea

Capture Image I_2 under Light Source $\mathbf{s}_2(p_{s_2}, q_{s_2})$.

For Example:

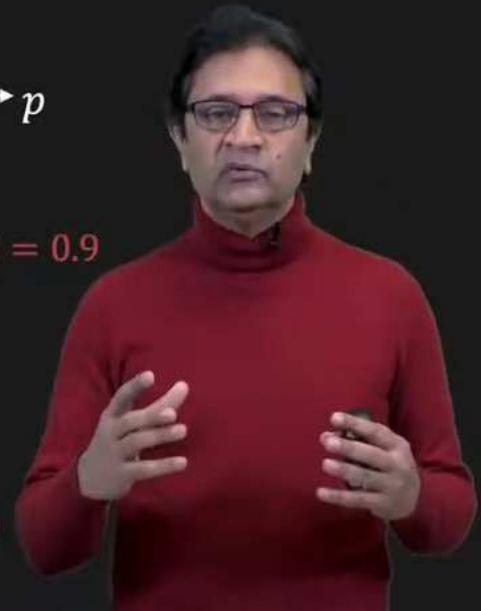
Let $I_1(x, y) = 0.9$

$I_2(x, y) = 0.7$



Two solutions
exist for (p, q)

Reflectance Maps $R_1(p, q), R_2(p, q)$



Photometric Stereo: Basic Idea

Capture Image I_3 under light source $s_3(p_{s_3}, q_{s_3})$.

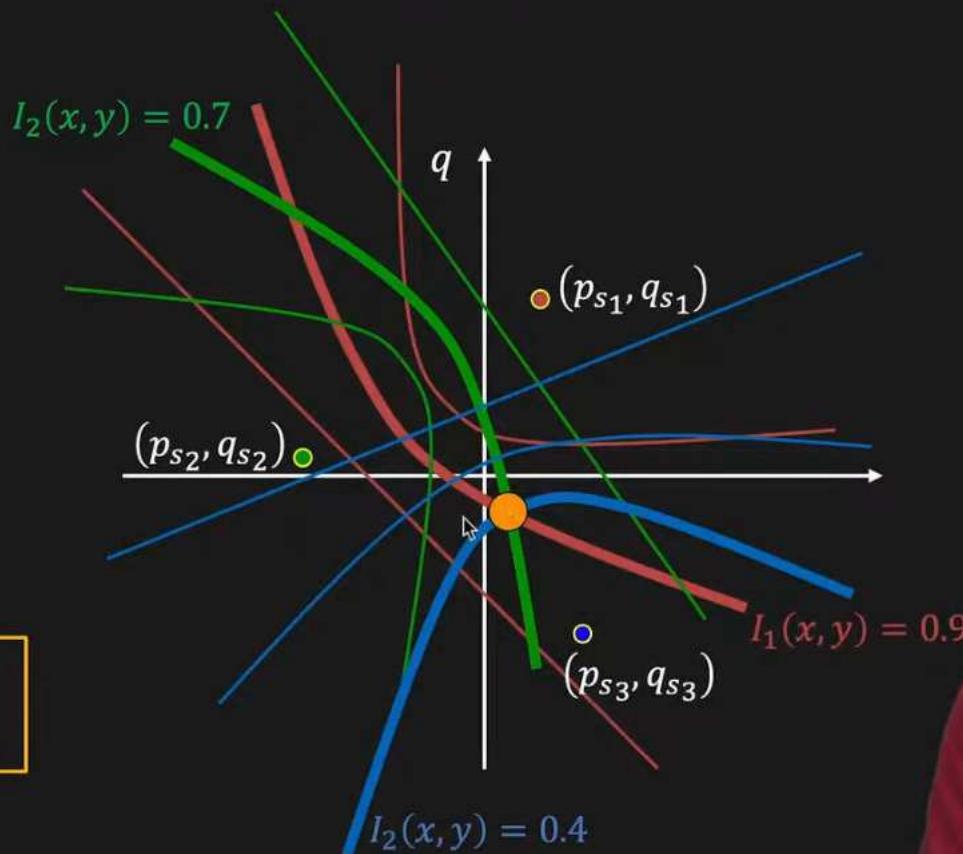
For Example:

Let $I_1(x, y) = 0.9$

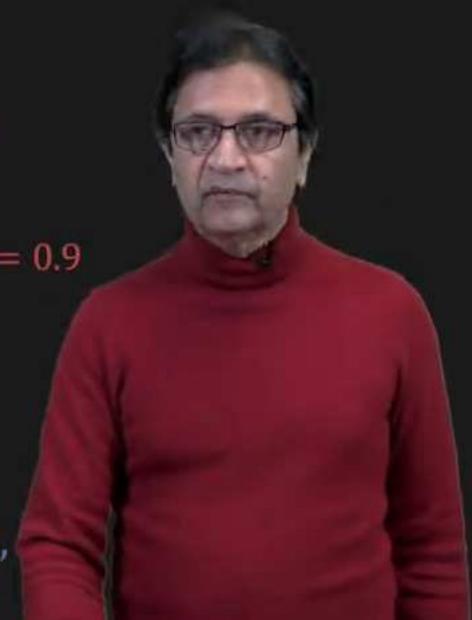
$I_2(x, y) = 0.7$

$I_3(x, y) = 0.4$

Unique solution for
surface orientation: (p', q')



Reflectance Maps $R_1(p, q)$, $R_2(p, q)$, $R_3(p,$



Photometric Stereo: Basic Idea

Step 1: Acquire K images with K known light sources.

Step 2: Using known source direction and BRDF,
construct reflectance map for each source direction.

Step 3: For each pixel location (x, y) , find (p, q) as
the intersection of K curves. This (p, q) gives the
surface normal at pixel (x, y) .

Smallest K needed depends on the material properties.



Photometric Stereo: Lambertian Case

Image intensities measured at point (x, y) under each of the three light sources:

$$I_1 = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s}_1 \quad I_2 = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s}_2 \quad I_3 = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s}_3$$

where: $\mathbf{n} = \begin{bmatrix} n_x \\ n_y \\ n_z \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{s}_i = \begin{bmatrix} s_{x_i} \\ s_{y_i} \\ s_{z_i} \end{bmatrix}$

We can write this in matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \begin{bmatrix} s_{x_1} & s_{y_1} & s_{z_1} \\ s_{x_2} & s_{y_2} & s_{z_2} \\ s_{x_3} & s_{y_3} & s_{z_3} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{n}$$

Measured $S_{3 \times 3}$ (Known)



Photometric Stereo: Lambertian Case

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_{x1} & s_{y1} & s_{z1} \\ s_{x2} & s_{y2} & s_{z2} \\ s_{x3} & s_{y3} & s_{z3} \end{bmatrix}}_{S_{3 \times 3} \text{ (Known)}} \mathbf{n} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} I = S\mathbf{N} \\ \text{where: } \mathbf{N} = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \mathbf{n} \end{cases}$$

Solution: $\mathbf{N} = (S)^{-1}I$

$$\text{Surface Normal: } \mathbf{n} = \frac{\mathbf{N}}{\|\mathbf{N}\|} \qquad \text{Albedo: } \frac{\rho}{\pi} = \|\mathbf{N}\|$$

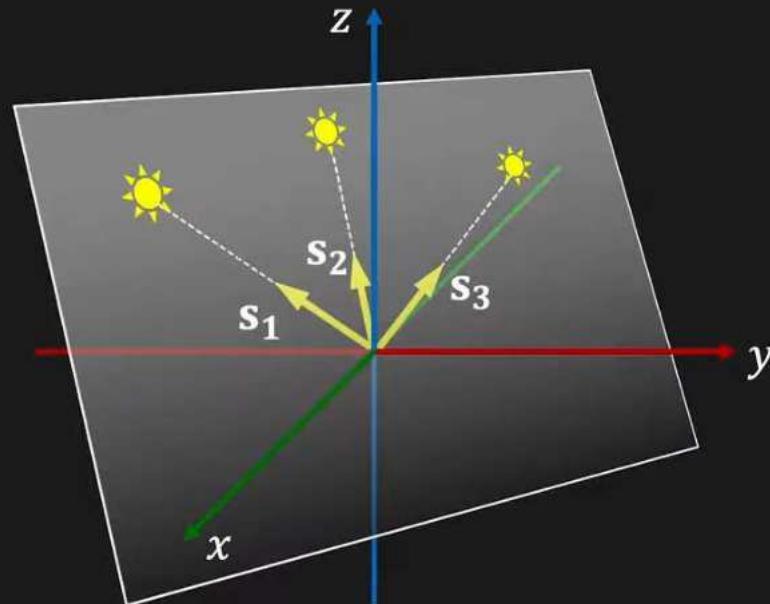


When Does It Not Work?

When $S_{3 \times 3}$ is not invertible.

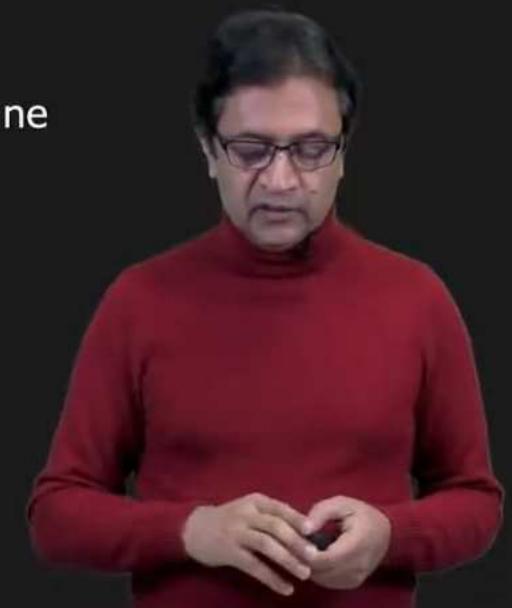
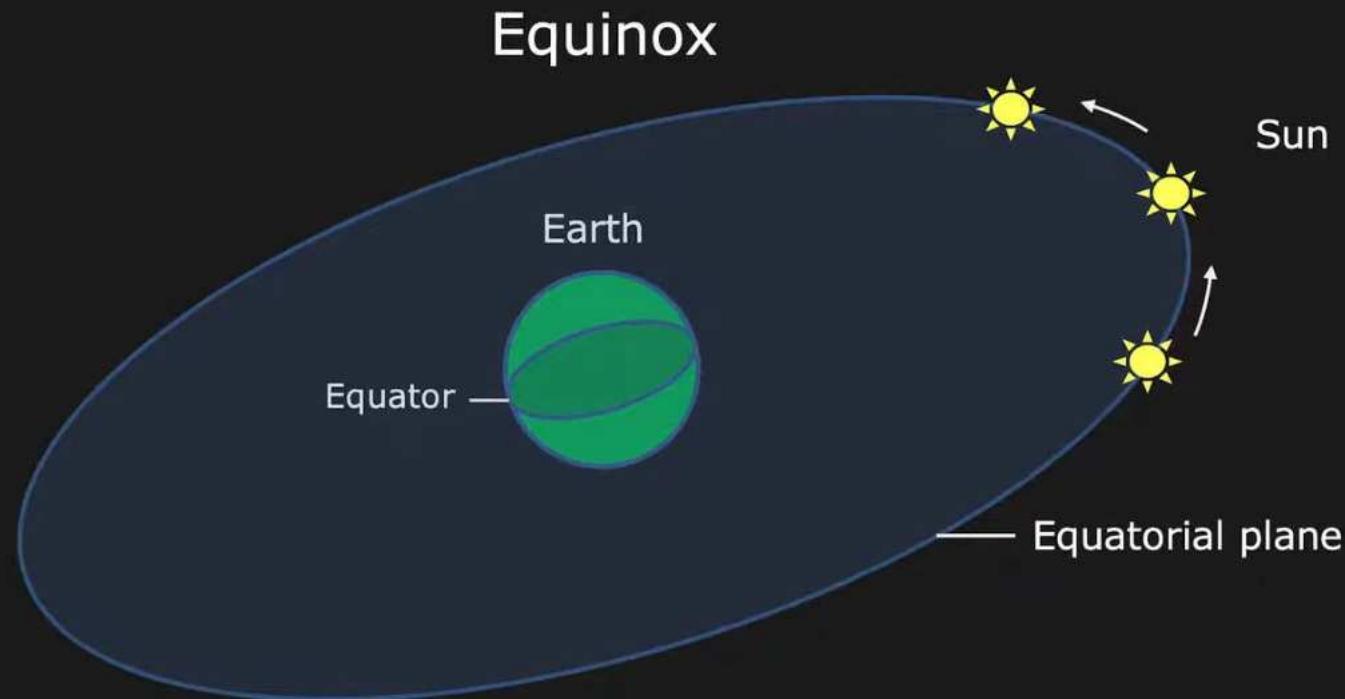
That is, when one source direction can be represented as a linear combination of the other two.

$$\mathbf{s}_3 = \alpha \mathbf{s}_1 + \beta \mathbf{s}_2$$



All sources and the origin lie on a plane

Bad Days for Outdoor Photometric Stereo



More Sources than Minimum Needed

Better results by using more ($K > 3$) light sources

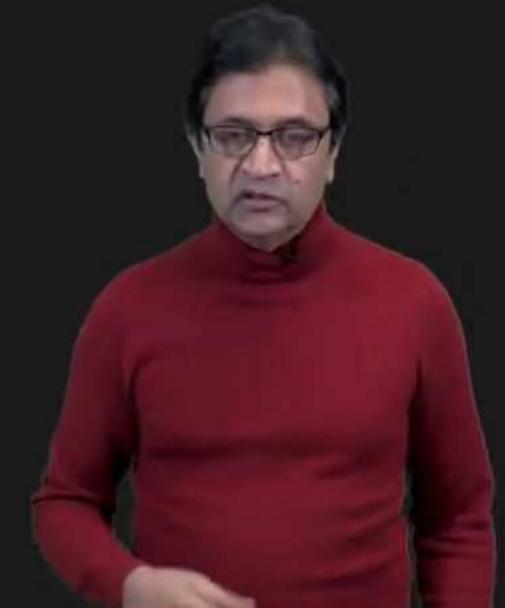
$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ \vdots \\ I_K \end{bmatrix}}_{I_{K \times 1}} = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_{x_1} & s_{y_1} & s_{z_1} \\ s_{x_2} & s_{y_2} & s_{z_2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ s_{x_K} & s_{y_K} & s_{z_K} \end{bmatrix}}_{S_{K \times 3}} \mathbf{n} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{blue arrow}} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} I = S\mathbf{N} \\ \text{where: } \mathbf{N} = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \mathbf{n} \end{array} \right.$$

$S_{K \times 3}$ is not a square matrix and hence not invertible.

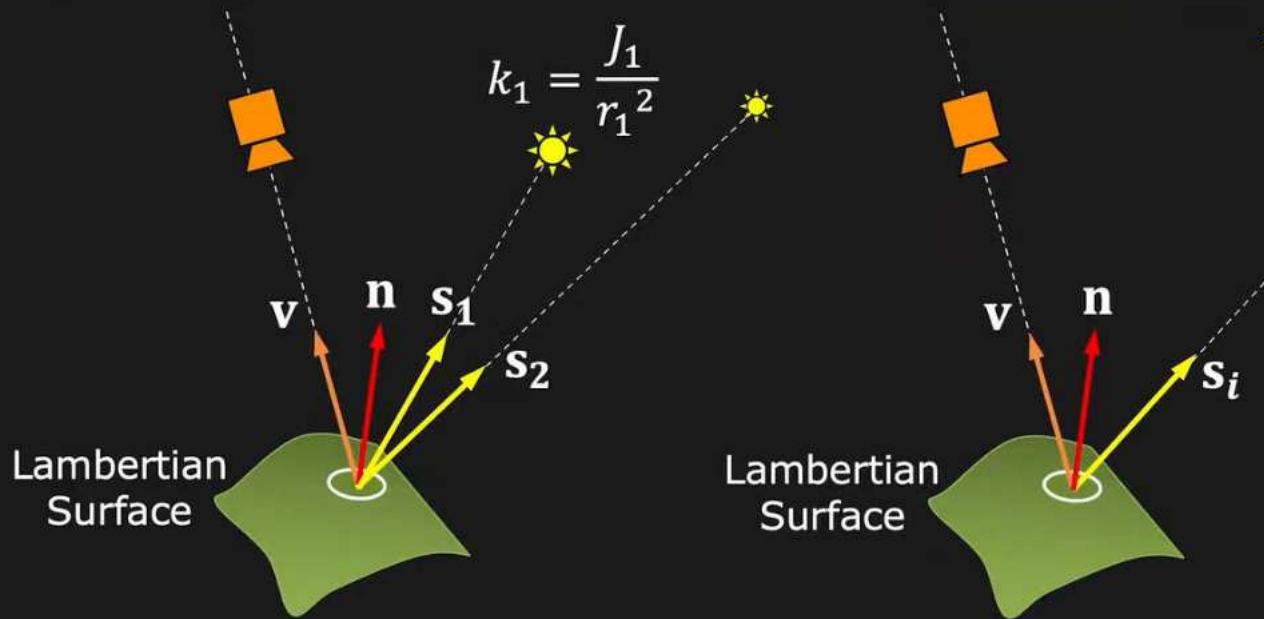
Solution: Use Least Squares Estimation

$$S^T I = \underbrace{S^T S \mathbf{N}}_{3 \times 3}$$

$$\mathbf{N} = \underbrace{(S^T S)^{-1} S^T I}_{\text{Pseudo Inverse}}$$



“Effective” Point Source for Multiple Sources



$$I_1 = \frac{\rho}{\pi} k_1 \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s}_1 \quad I_2 = \frac{\rho}{\pi} k_2 \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s}_2$$

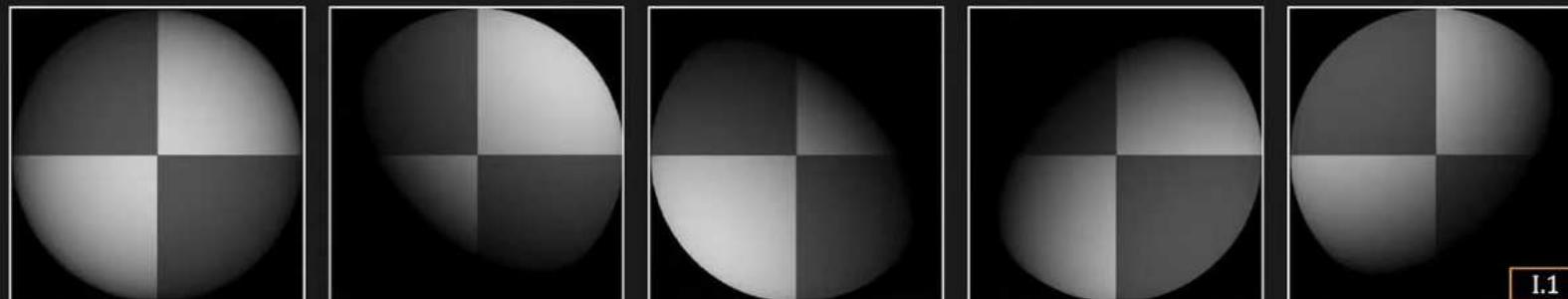
$$I = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \mathbf{n} \cdot (k_1 \mathbf{s}_1 + k_2 \mathbf{s}_2) = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \hat{k} \mathbf{n} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{s}}$$

$$I = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \hat{k} \mathbf{n} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{s}}$$

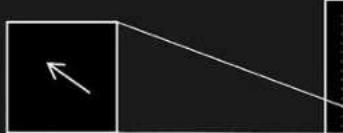
$(\hat{k}, \hat{\mathbf{s}})$: Effective Source is in direction of “Centroid” of Sources



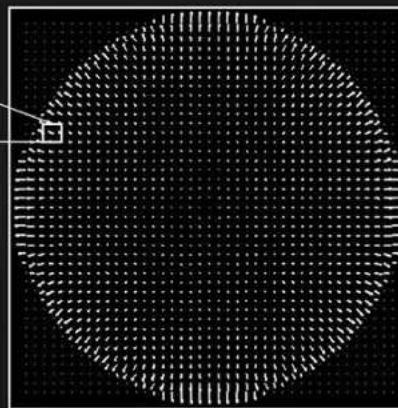
Results: Lambertian Sphere



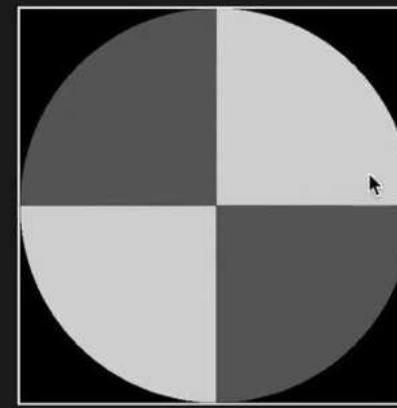
Input images



Needles are projections
of surface normals on
image plane



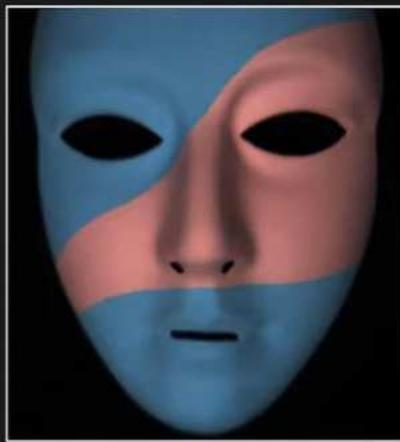
Estimated surface normals



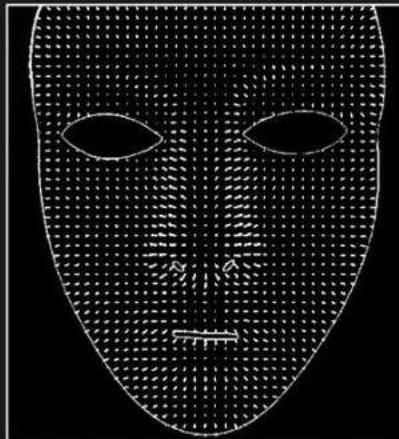
Estimated albedo



Results: Lambertian Mask



Input images



Estimated surface normals



Estimated albedo



Results: Toy



Input images



Estimated surface normals



Estimated albedo



Calibration Based Photometric Stereo

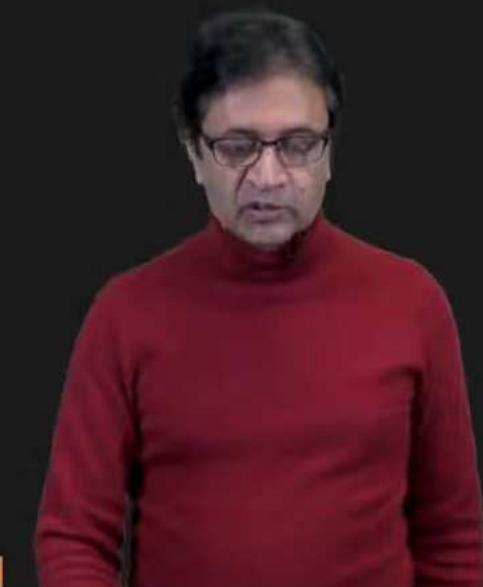
Use a **calibration object** of **known size, shape** (e.g. sphere) and **same reflectance** as the scene objects.



Calibration Sphere



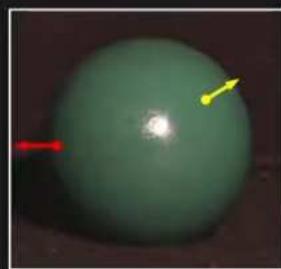
Scene



[Silver 1980]

Calibration Based Photometric Stereo

Use a **calibration object** (ex: sphere) of **known size, shape** and **same reflectance** as the scene objects.



Calibration Sphere



Scene



Orientation Consistency: Points with the same surface normal produce the same set of intensities under different lighting.

[Silver 1980]

Calibration Procedure



Step 1: Capture $K \geq 3$ images under K different light sources.

Each point on the sphere produces K image intensities
 (I_1, I_2, \dots, I_K) corresponding to the K light sources.



Calibration Procedure



Image 1



Image 2

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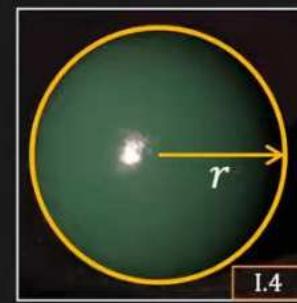
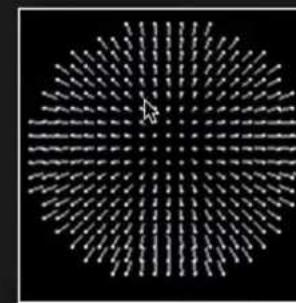


Image K

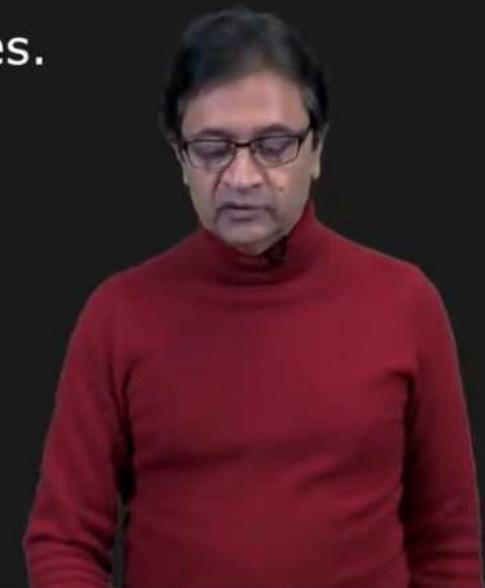


Surface
Normals $(p, q, 1)$

Step 1: Capture $K \geq 3$ images under K different light sources.

Each point on the sphere produces K image intensities (I_1, I_2, \dots, I_K) corresponding to the K light sources.

Step 2: Using the known size of the sphere, calculate the surface normal $(p, q, 1)$ for each point on the sphere.



Calibration Procedure



Image 1



Image 2

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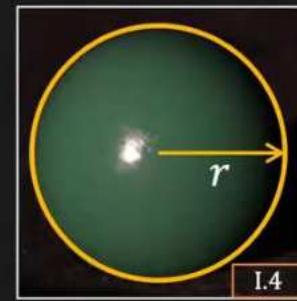
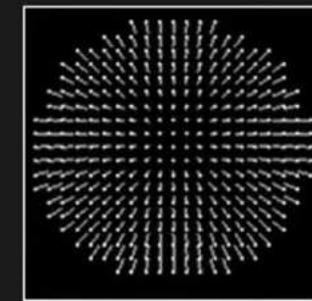


Image K

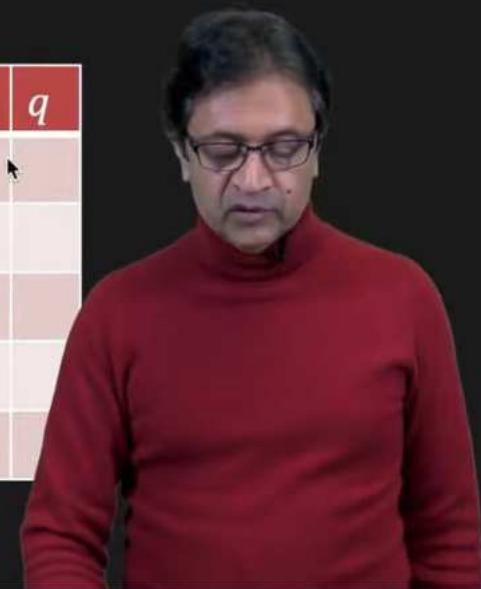


Surface
Normals $(p, q, 1)$

Step 3: Create a **lookup table** for the K-tuple: $(I_1, I_2, \dots, I_K) \rightarrow (p, q)$

Populate the lookup table with (I_1, I_2, \dots, I_K) and (p, q) of all pixels on the sphere.

I_1	I_2	...	I_K	p	q



Looking Up Surface Normal

Step 4: Capture K images of the scene object under the same K light sources.



Image 1

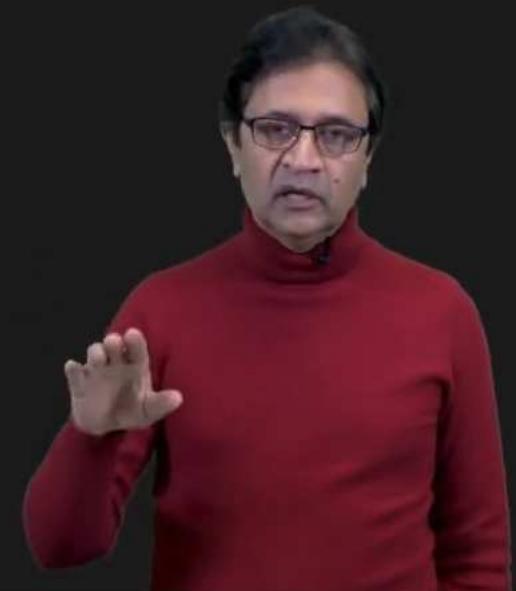


Image 2

...



Image K



Looking Up Surface Normal

Step 4: Capture K images of the scene object under the same K light sources.

Step 5: For each pixel in the scene, use lookup table to map $(I_1, I_2, \dots, I_K) \rightarrow (p, q)$



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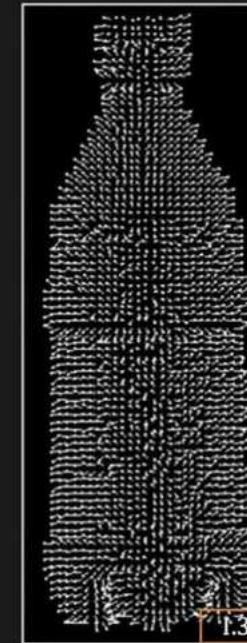


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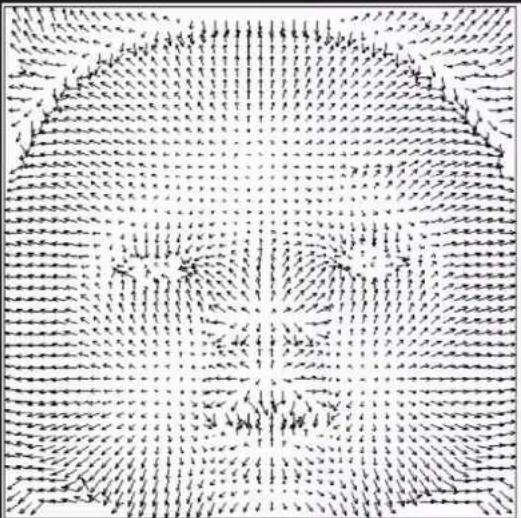
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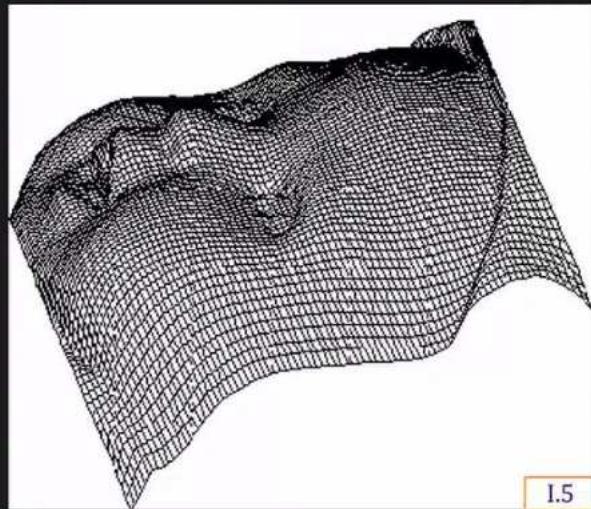
Estimated
surface normals



Shape From Surface Normals

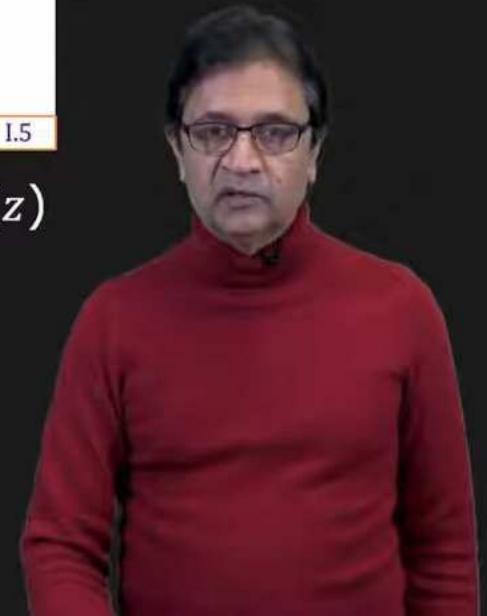


Gradient/normal map
 $[p(x, y), q(x, y), 1]$

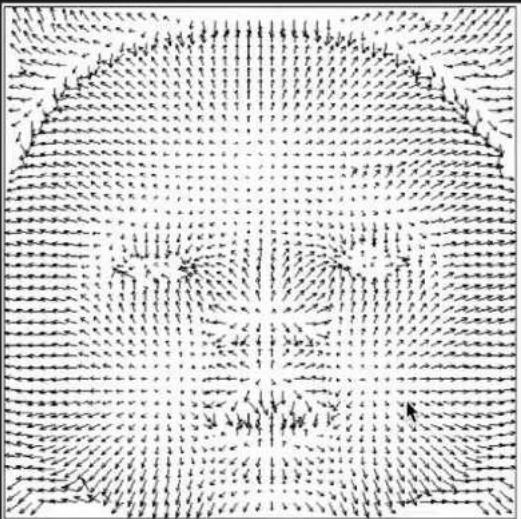


Shape or depth map (z)

$$(p, q) = \left(-\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, -\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)$$



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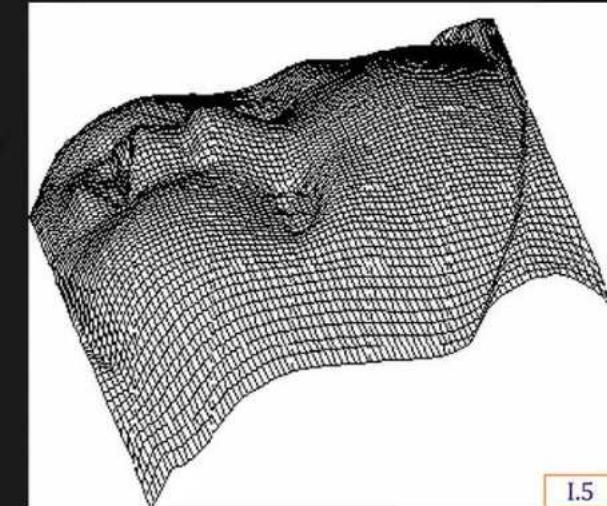


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Differentiation

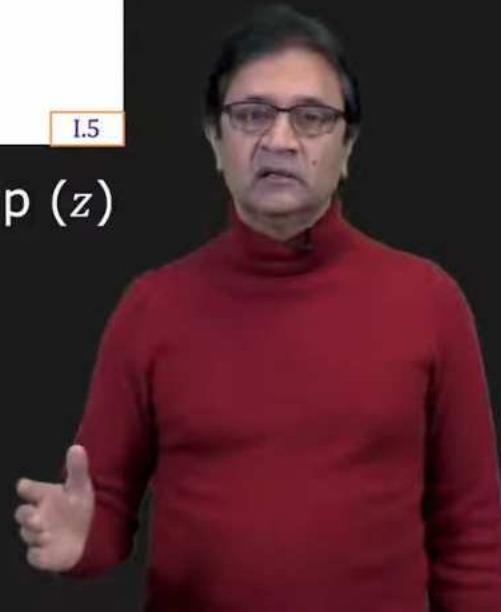


Integration



Shape or depth map (z)

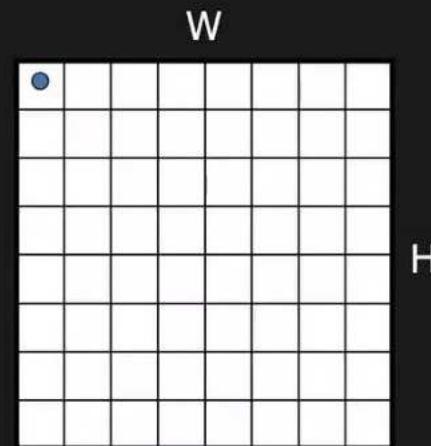
$$(p, q) = \left(-\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, -\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)$$



Naïve Algorithm for Estimating Shape

1. Initialize reference depth

$$z(0,0) = 0$$



Computed Depth Map



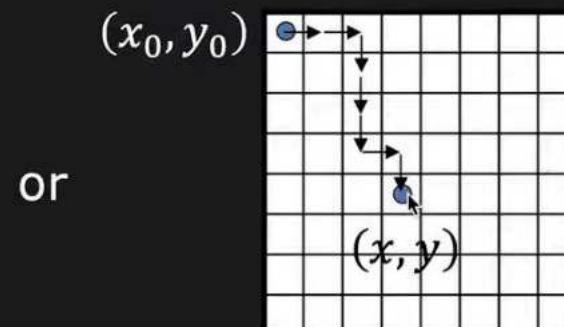
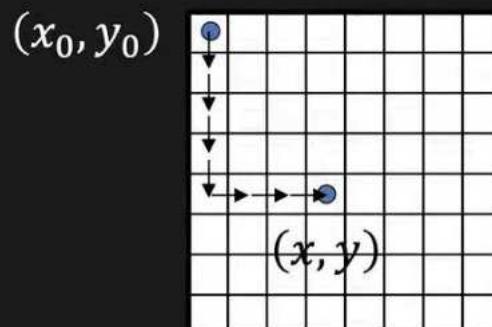
Shape From Surface Normals

Estimate surface by integrating surface gradient:

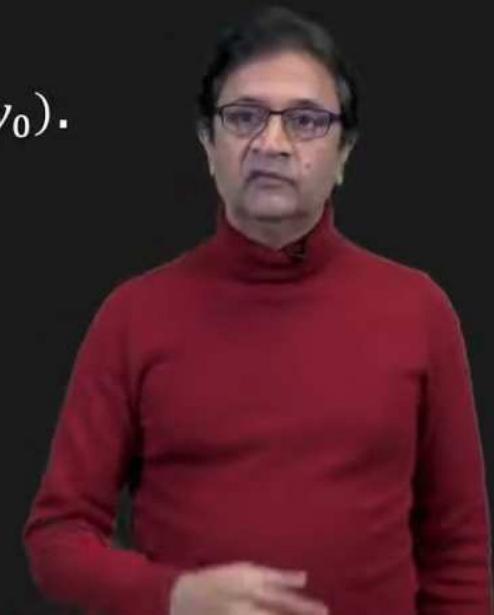
$$z(x, y) = z(x_0, y_0) + \int_{(x_0, y_0)}^{(x, y)} -(pdx + qdy)$$

where (x_0, y_0) is a reference point and $z(x_0, y_0) = 0$.

$z(x, y)$ obtained by integration along any path from (x_0, y_0) .



or



Naïve Algorithm for Estimating Shape

1. Initialize reference depth

$$z(0,0) = 0$$

2. Compute depth for first column

for $y = 1$ to $(H - 1)$

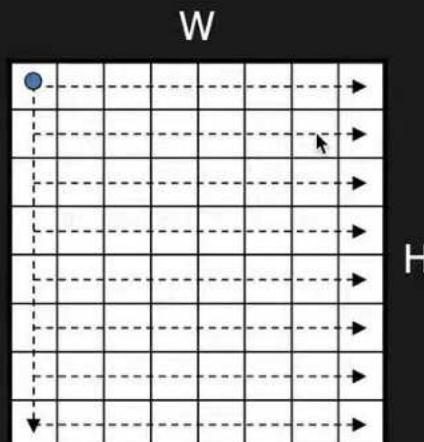
$$z(0,y) = z(0,y - 1) - q(0,y)$$

3. Compute depth for each row

for $y = 0$ to $(H - 1)$

for $x = 1$ to $(W - 1)$

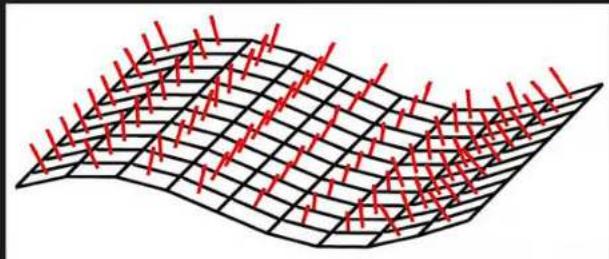
$$z(x,y) = z(x - 1,y) - p(x,y)$$



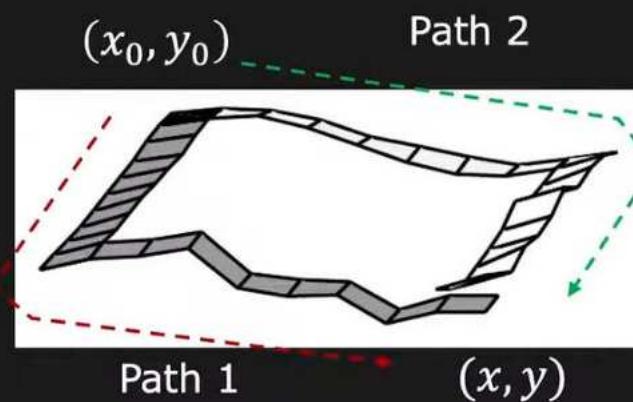
Computed Depth Map



Noise Sensitivity of Computed Shape

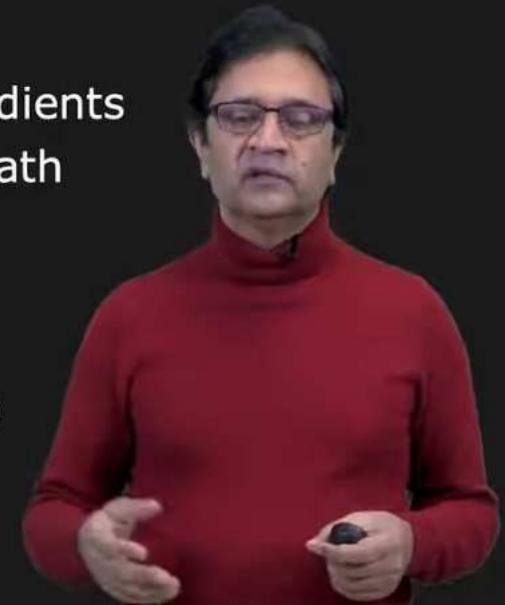


Actual surface shown with noisy estimates of surface gradient



Depth computed from noisy gradients depends on the integration path

One Solution: Compute depth maps using different paths. Then, find **average** of computed depth maps to reduce error.



Estimating Shape Using Least Squares

Minimize the errors between measured surface gradients (p, q) and surface gradients of estimated surface $z(x, y)$.

Error Measure:

$$D = \underset{Image}{\iint} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + p \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + q \right)^2 dx dy$$

where $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ are gradients of the estimated surface.



Frankot-Chellappa Algorithm

Minimize objective function D in Fourier Domain.

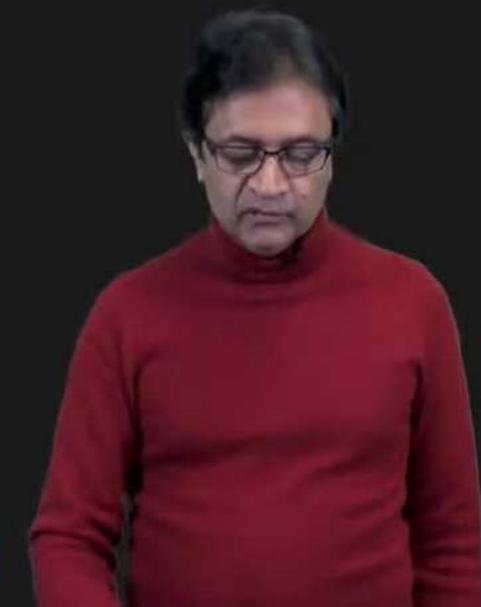
Let $Z(u, v)$, $P(u, v)$ and $Q(u, v)$ be the Fourier Transforms of $z(x, y)$, $p(x, y)$ and $q(x, y)$, respectively. Then:

$$z(x, y) = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} Z(u, v) e^{i2\pi(ux+vy)} du dv$$

$$p(x, y) = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(u, v) e^{i2\pi(ux+vy)} du dv$$

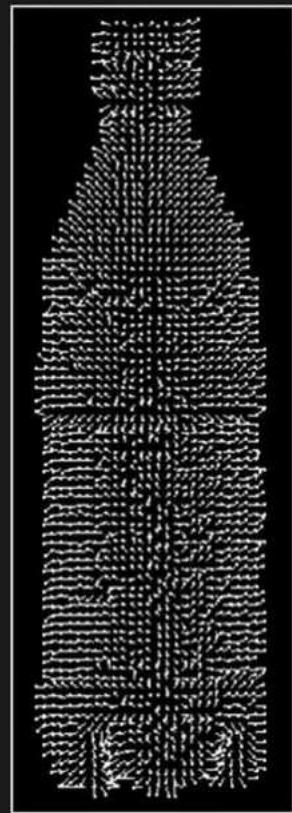
$$q(x, y) = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q(u, v) e^{i2\pi(ux+vy)} du dv$$

Substitute for $z(x, y)$, $p(x, y)$ and $q(x, y)$ in equation for D .



[Frankot 1988]

Results: 3D Surface Reconstruction



Surface Normals



Estimated Depth Map
 $z = f(x, y)$



Estimated Surface
(Rendered)



Frankot-Chellappa Algorithm

Find $Z(u, v)$ that minimizes D using $\frac{\partial D}{\partial Z} = 0$.

Solution: $\tilde{Z}(u, v) = \frac{i u P(u, v) + i v Q(u, v)}{u^2 + v^2}$

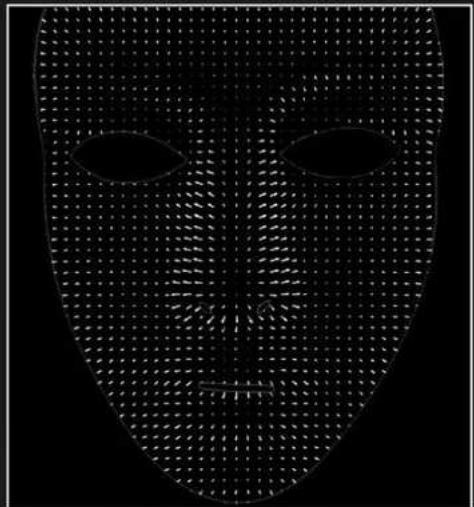
This is the Fourier Transform of the best fit surface.

Compute Inverse Fourier Transform to obtain $\tilde{z}(x, y)$.



[Frankot 1988]

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 $z = f(x, y)$



Estimated Surface
(Rendered)



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0



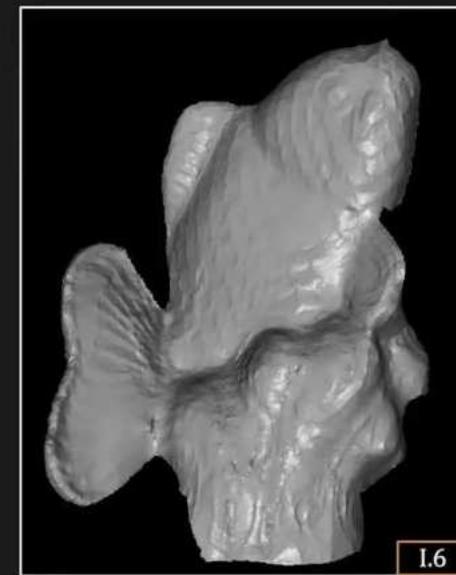
Results: Fish Toy



Calibration Spheres (Images under one light source)



Scene
(Image under one light source of 14)

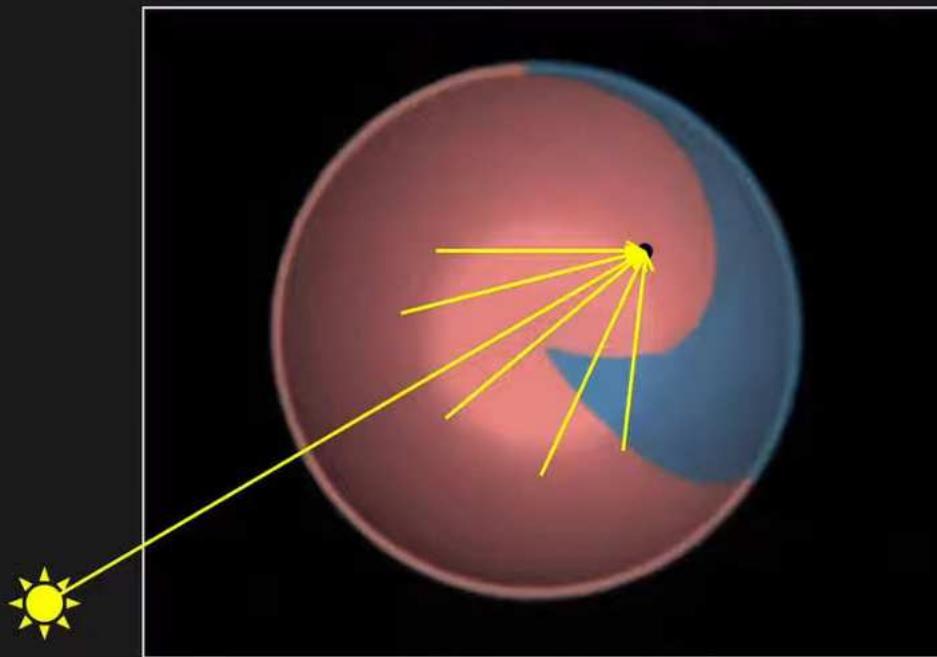


Computed Surface
(Rendered)

[Hertzmann 2005]



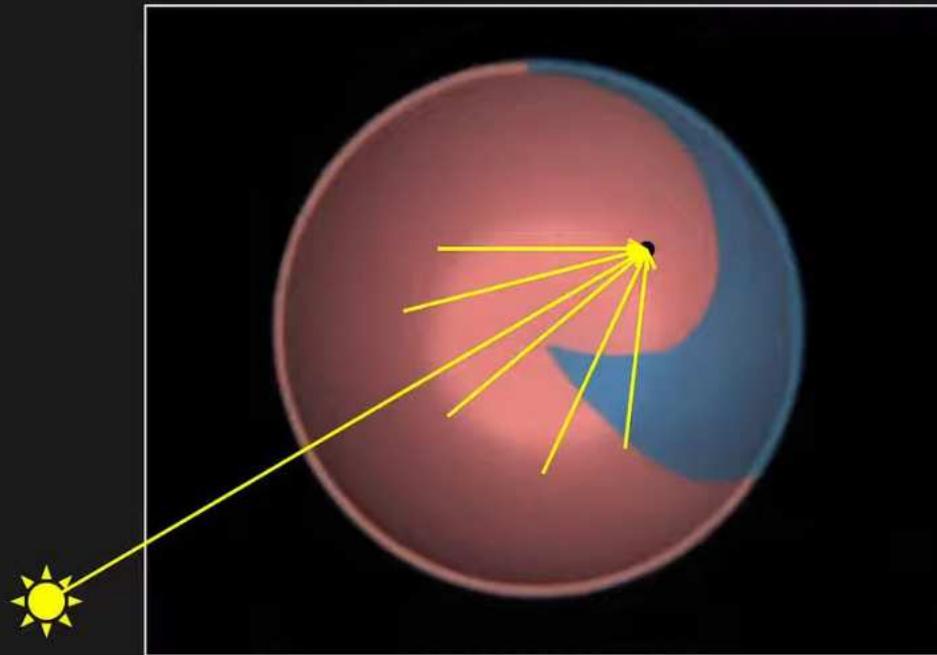
Interreflection Problem



Brightness of a scene point is not only due to the light source but also due to light from other scene points.



Interreflection Problem



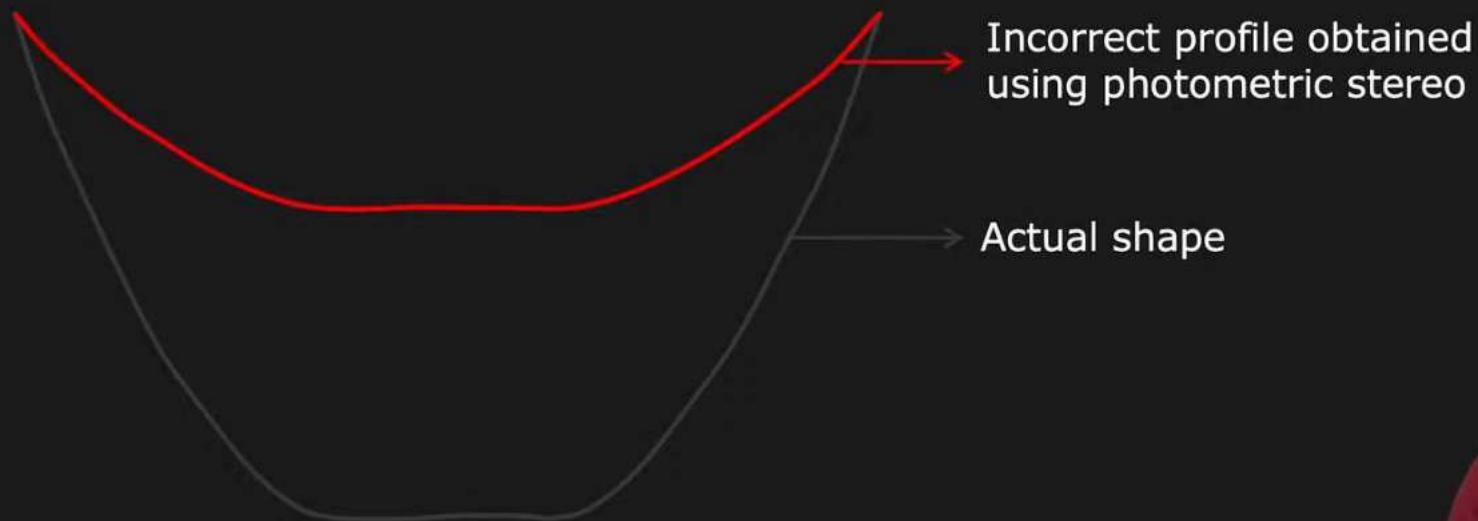
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Photometric stereo overestimates albedo and underestimates surface tilt.



Shape from Interreflection

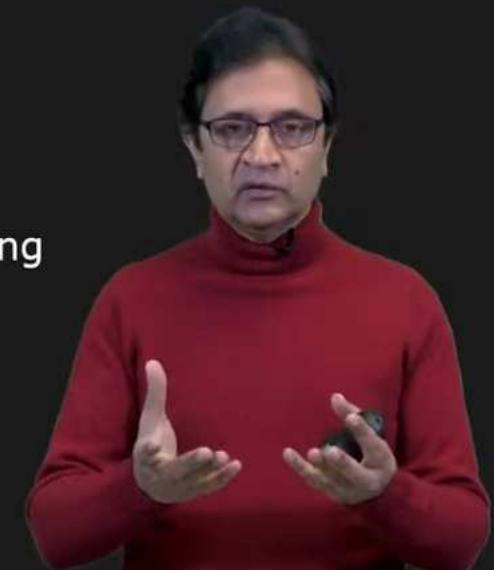
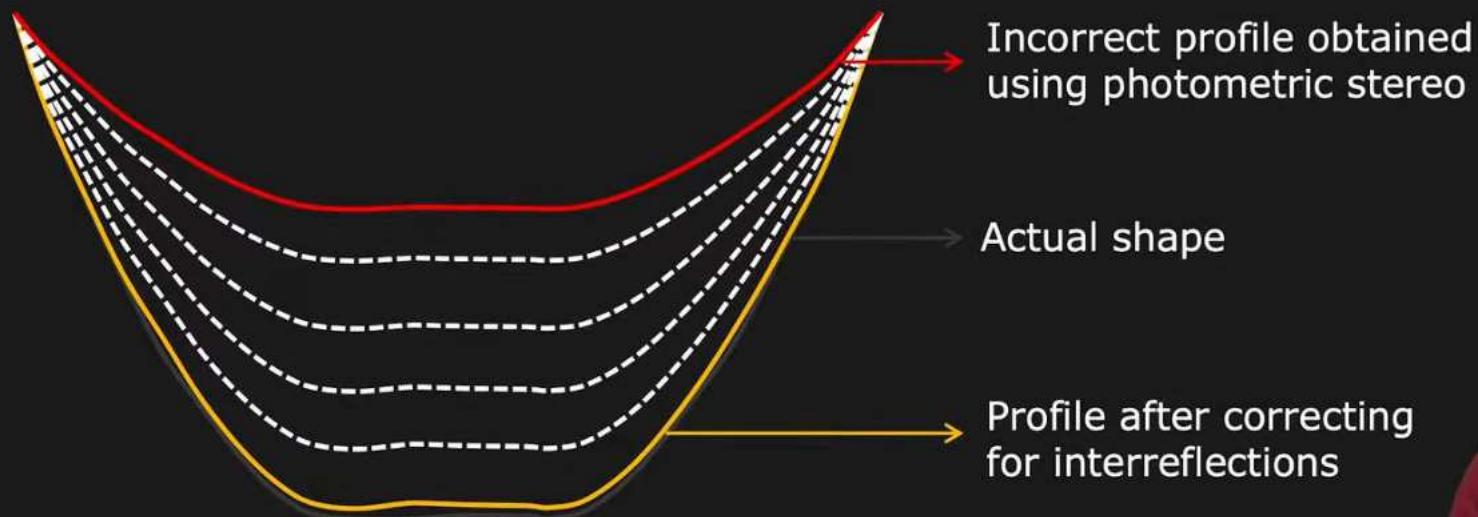
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[Nayar 1991]

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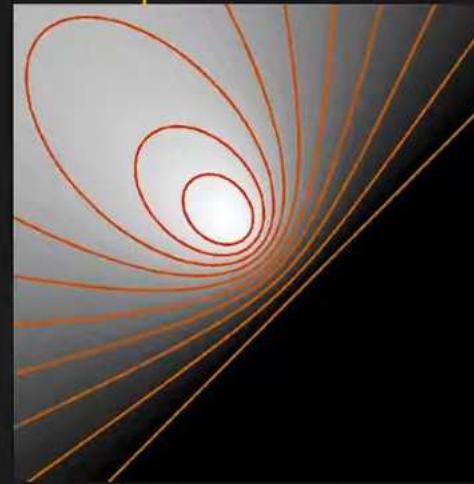
[Nayar 1991]

Shape from a Single Image?

Given image I , source direction s and surface reflectance



Image I



Reflectance Map $R(p, q)$



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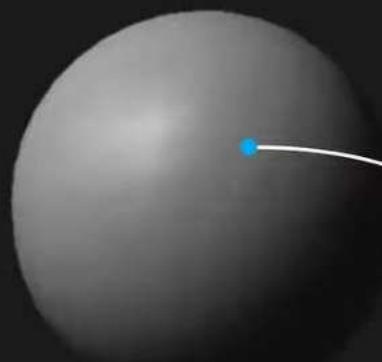
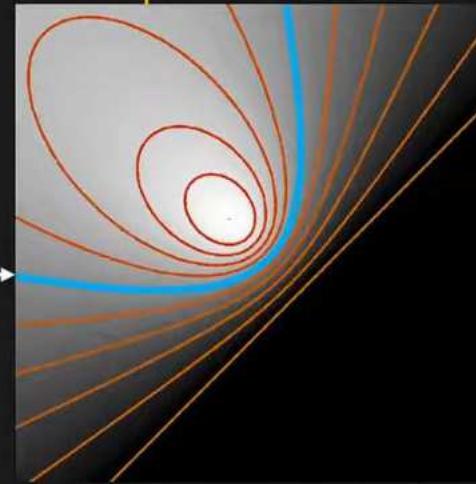


Image I



Reflectance Map $R(p, q)$

Can we estimate surface gradient (p, q) from single intensity? ↗



Shape From Shading

Method for recovering 3D shape information from a single image using shading.

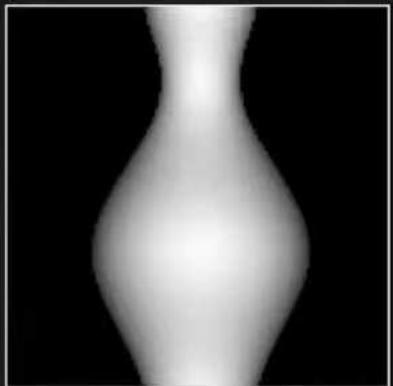
Topics:

- (1) Human Perception of Shading
- (2) Shape From Shading Algorithm

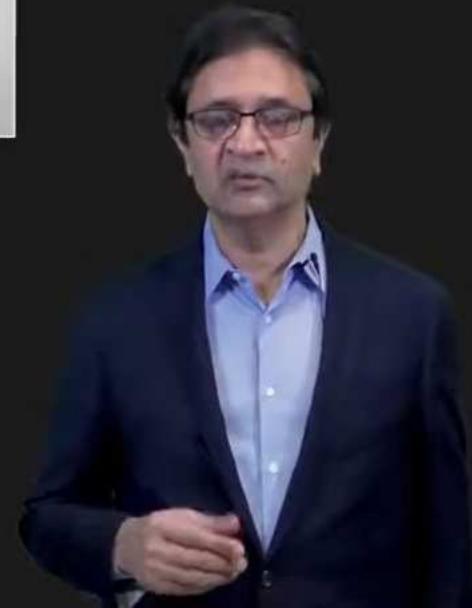


Shape From Shading in Humans

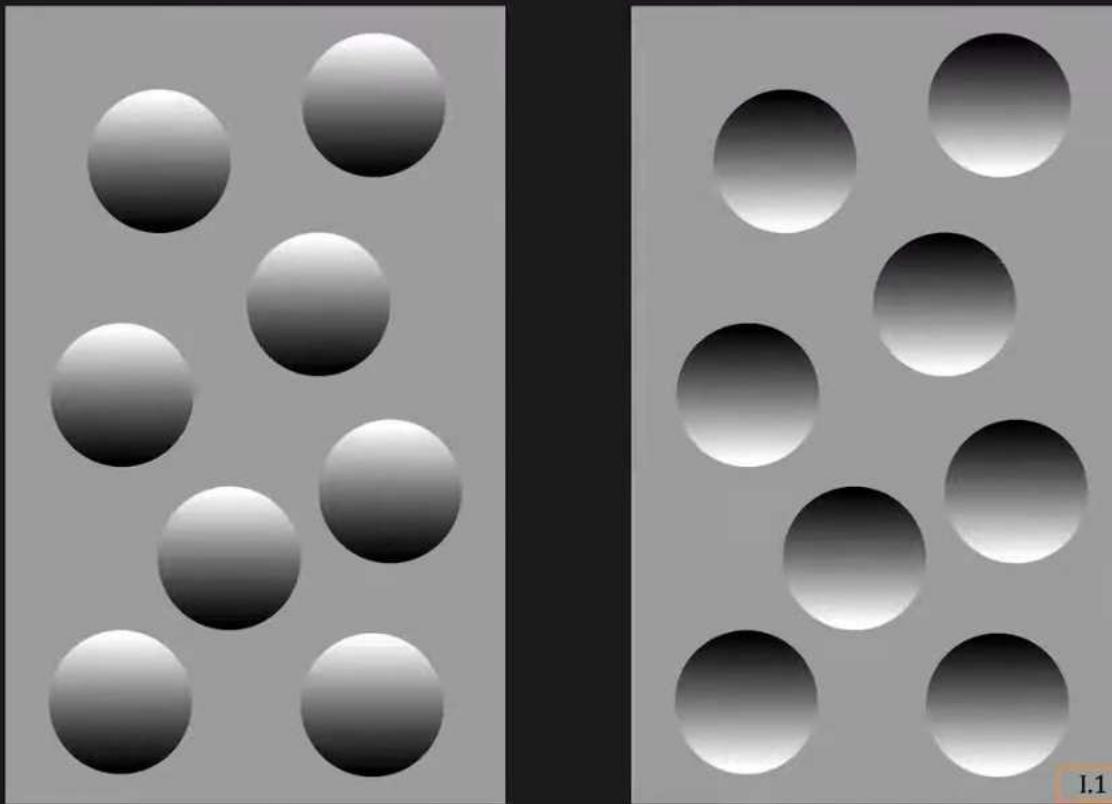
We seem to perceive shape from a single shaded image



We make many assumptions in doing so



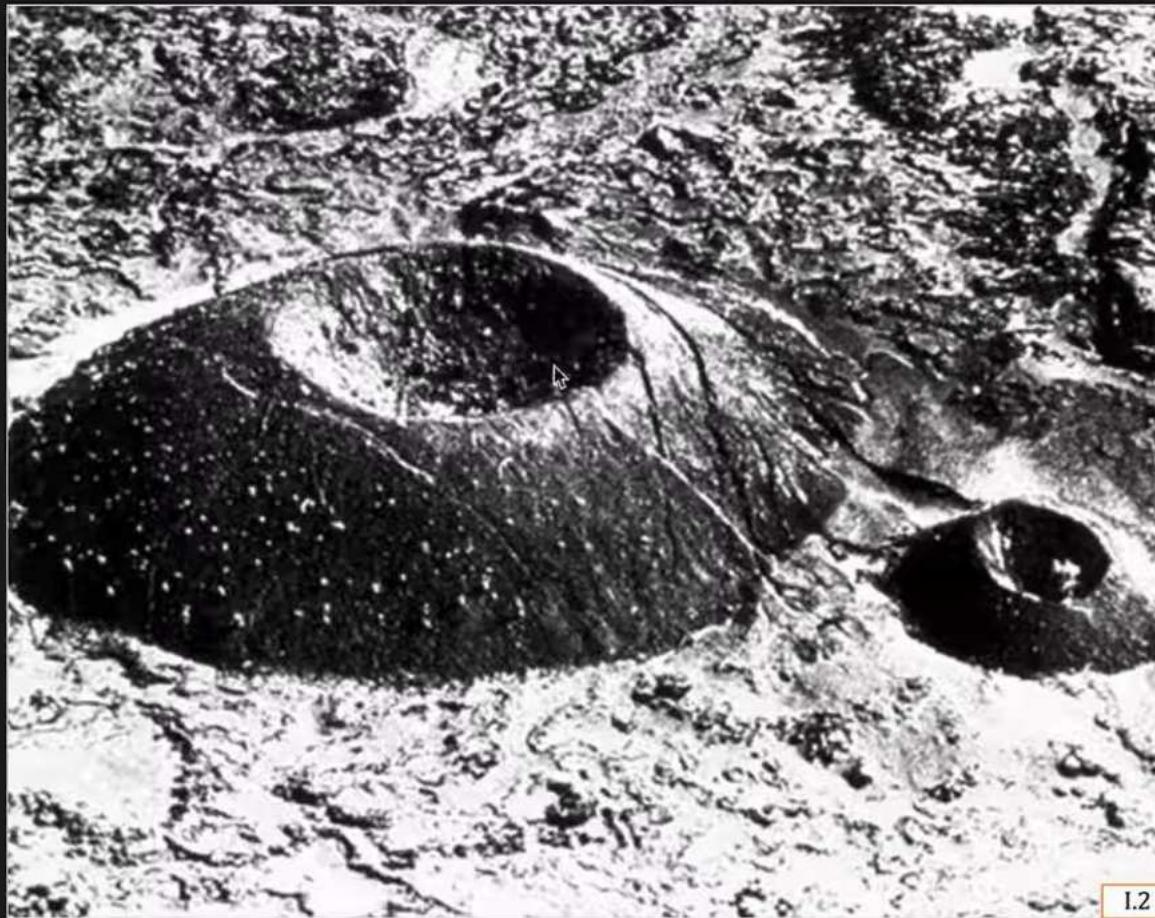
We Assume Light Source is Above Us!



The shaded objects in the left panel are usually seen as convex, whereas those in the right panel are usually seen as concave.

[Ramachandran 1990]

We Assume Light Source is Above Us!



Crater on a Mound

[Rittenhouse 1786]



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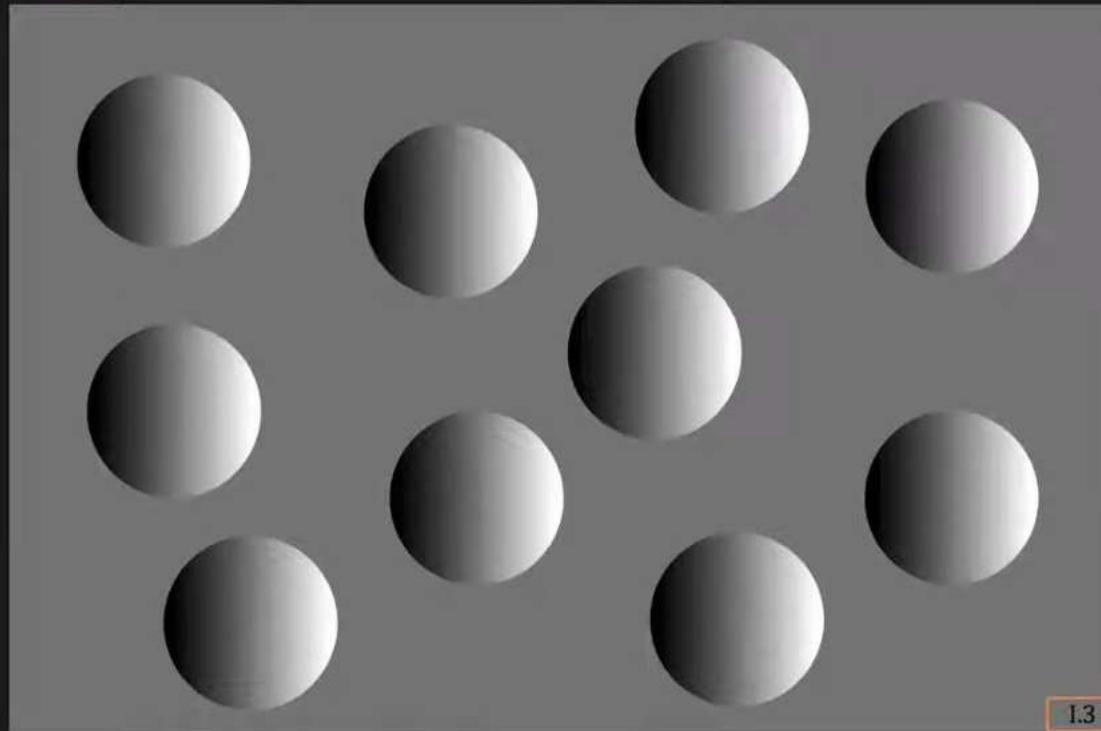


Mound in a Crater

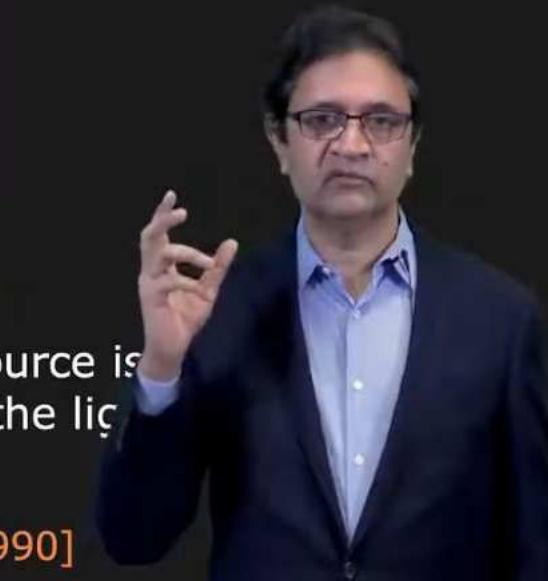
[Rittenhouse 1786]



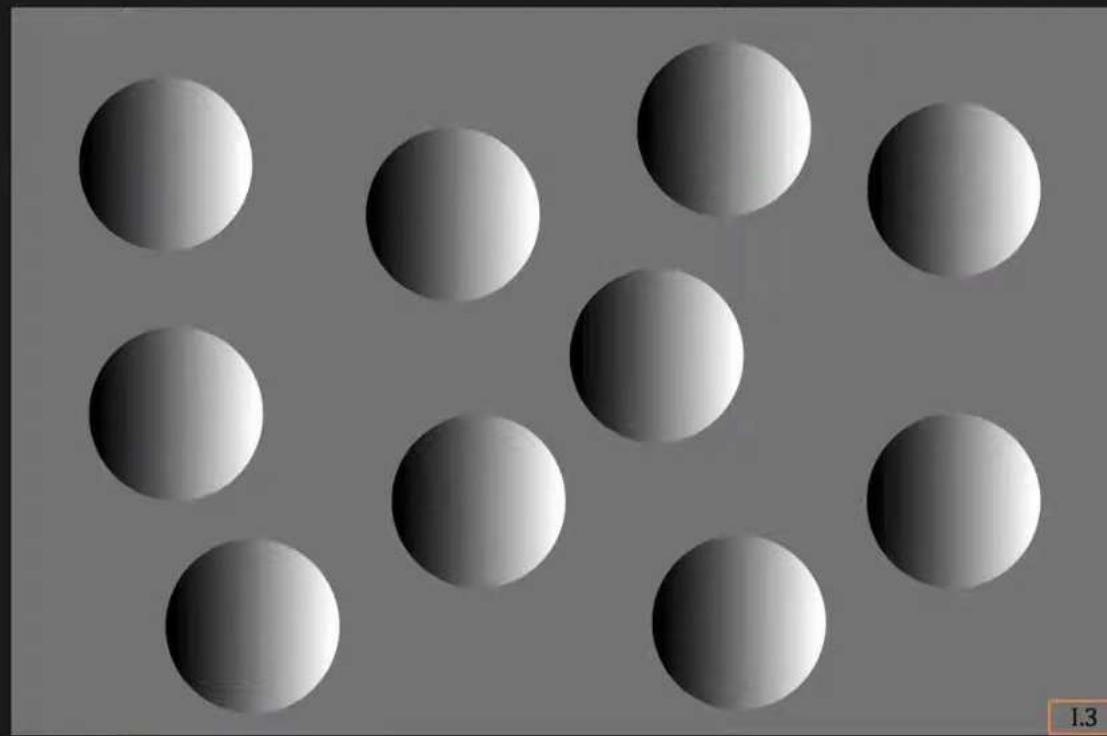
What If Illumination is Sideways?



Bumps or Cavities? It depends on where you think the light source is.
You can reverse the depth of the objects by mentally shifting the light source from left to right.



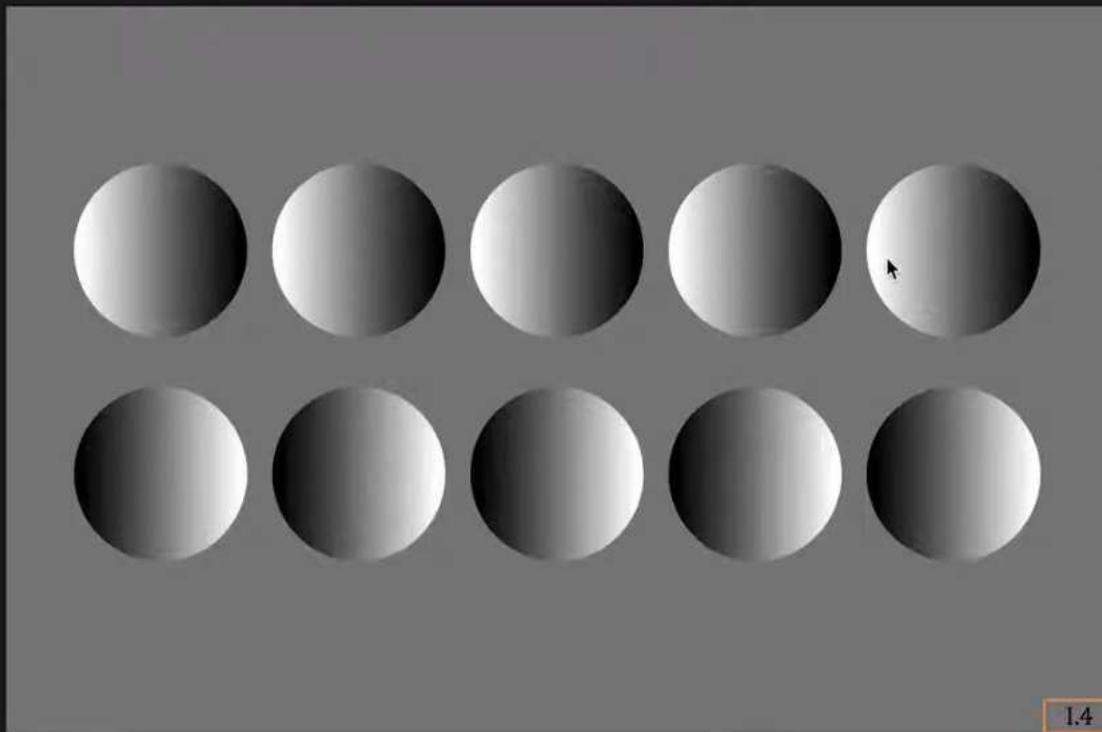
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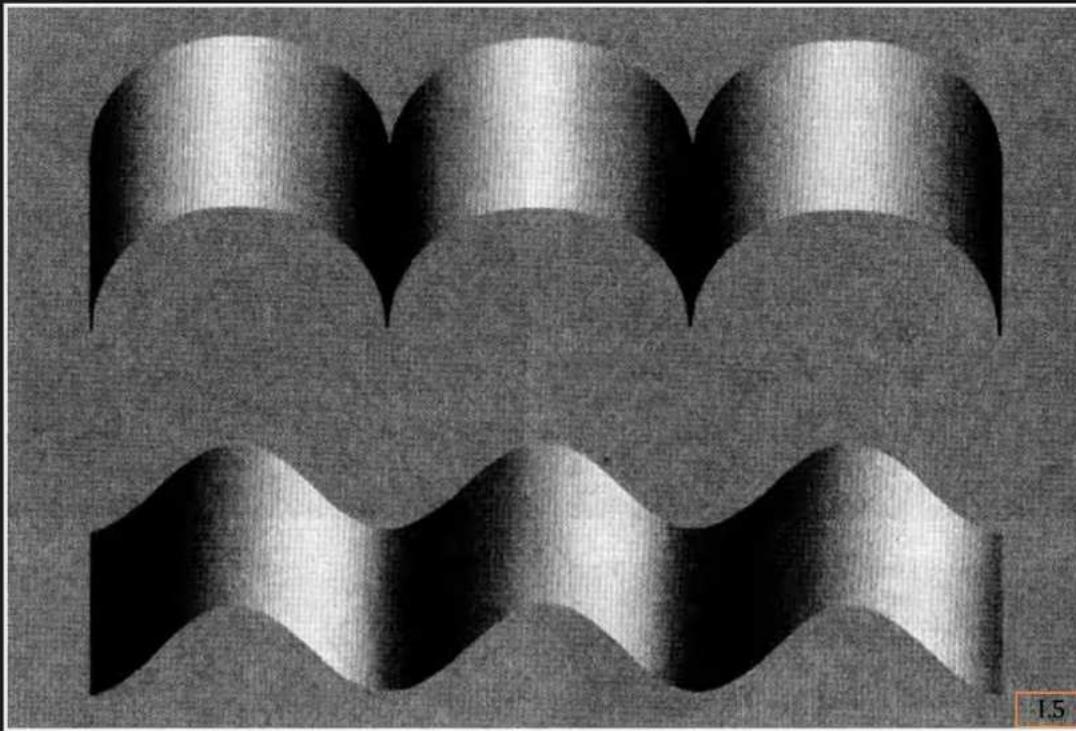
We Assume Uniform Global Illumination



Objects in one row can be seen as either convex or concave if the other row is excluded; but when both rows are viewed simultaneously, seeing one row as convex forces the other to be perceived as concave.

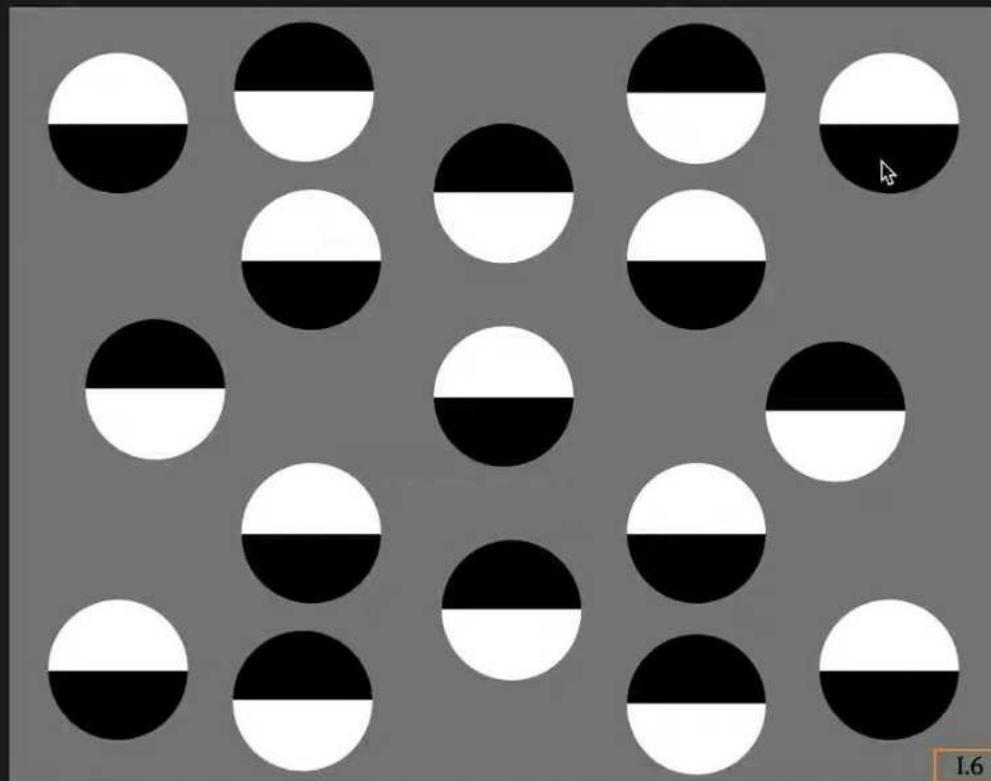


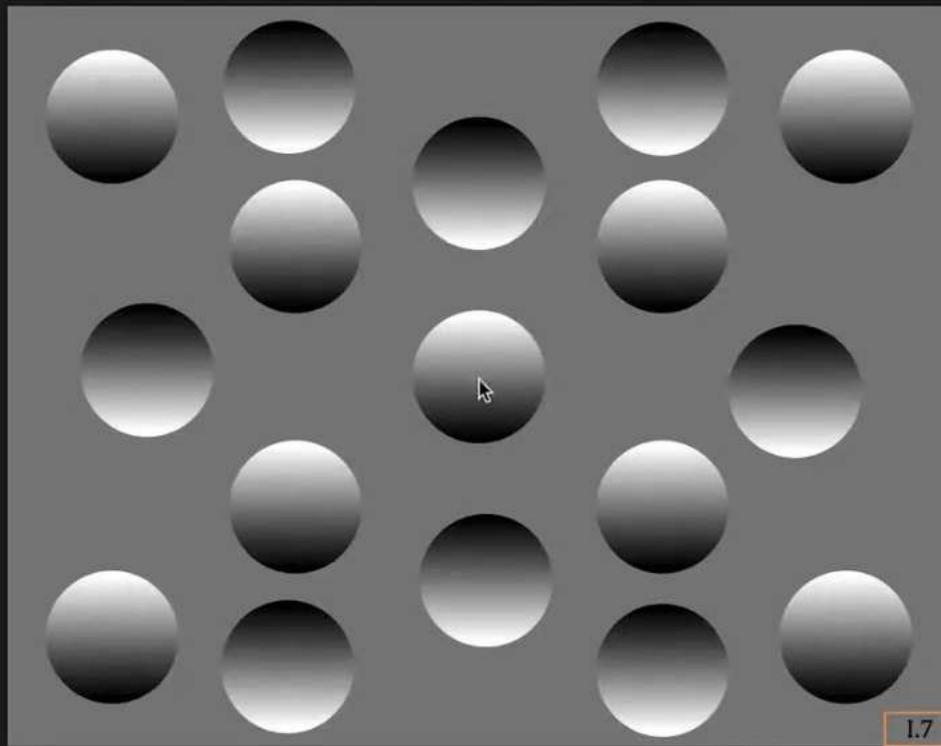
Boundaries Influence Perceived Shape



Both images have similar shading variation but the top image suggests three cylinders lit vertically and the bottom one a corrugated sheet lit from the right.

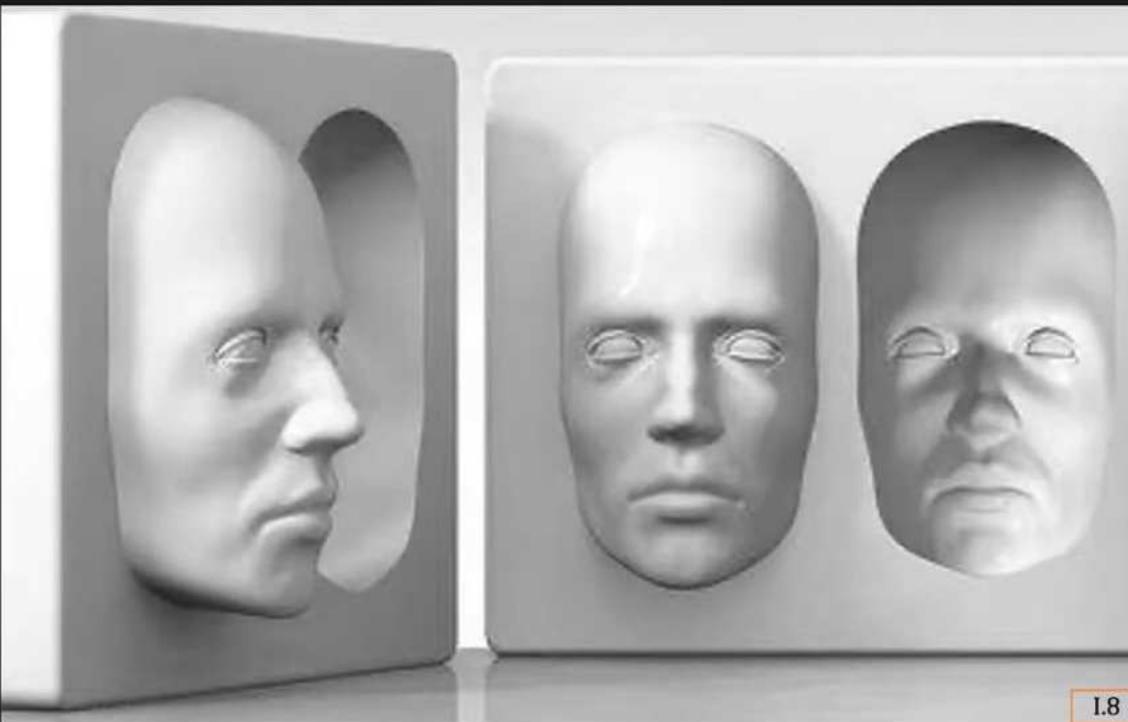




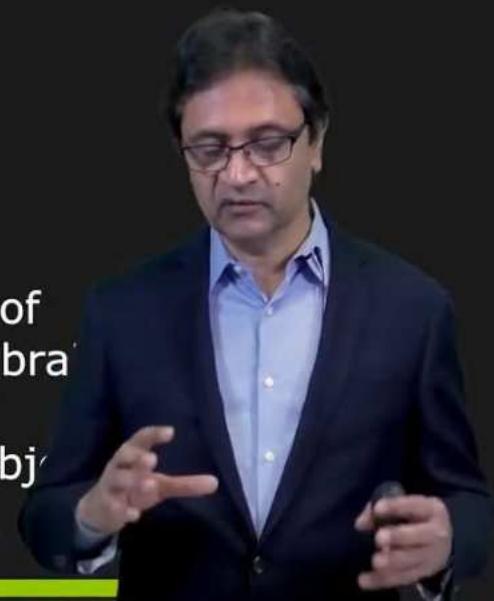


[Ramachandran 1990]

We Tend to “See” the Familiar



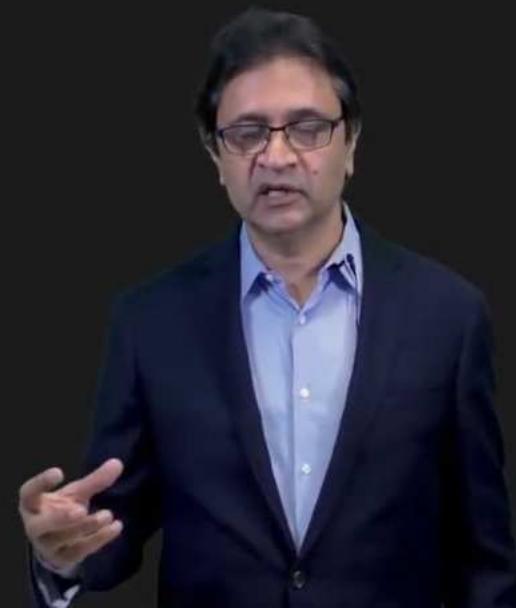
Hollow-Mask interiors lit from above produce an eerie impression of protruding face lit from below. In interpreting shaded images the brain usually assumes light shining from above but here it rejects the assumptions in order to interpret the images as normal, convex objects.



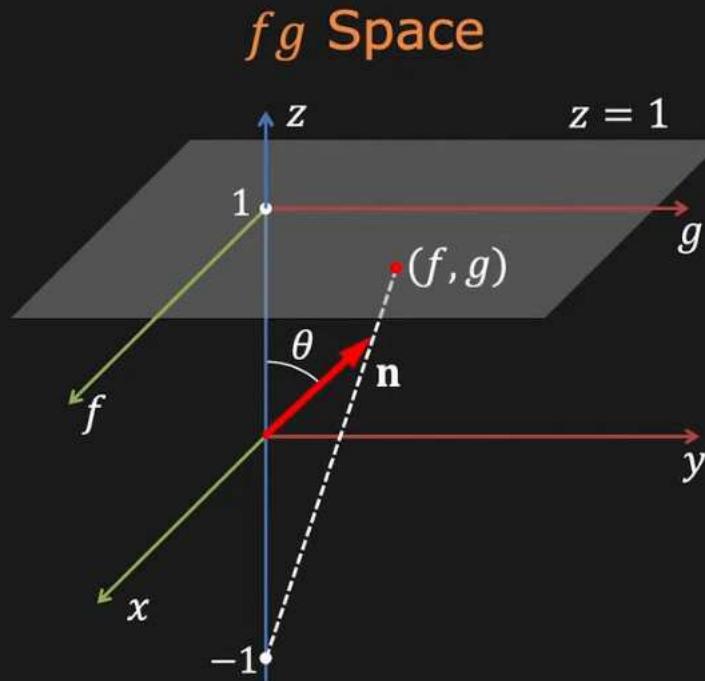
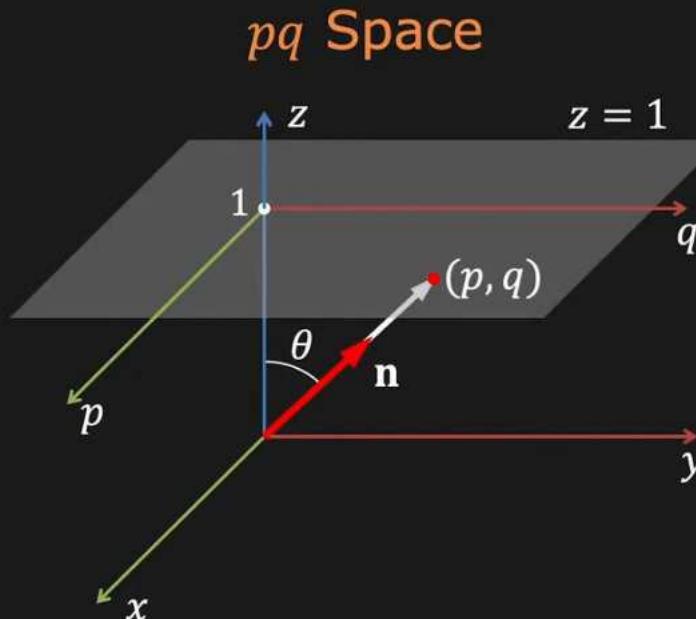
[Ramachandran 1990]

Shape From Shading?

Need Assumptions and Constraints



Stereographic Projection: fg Space



Problem:

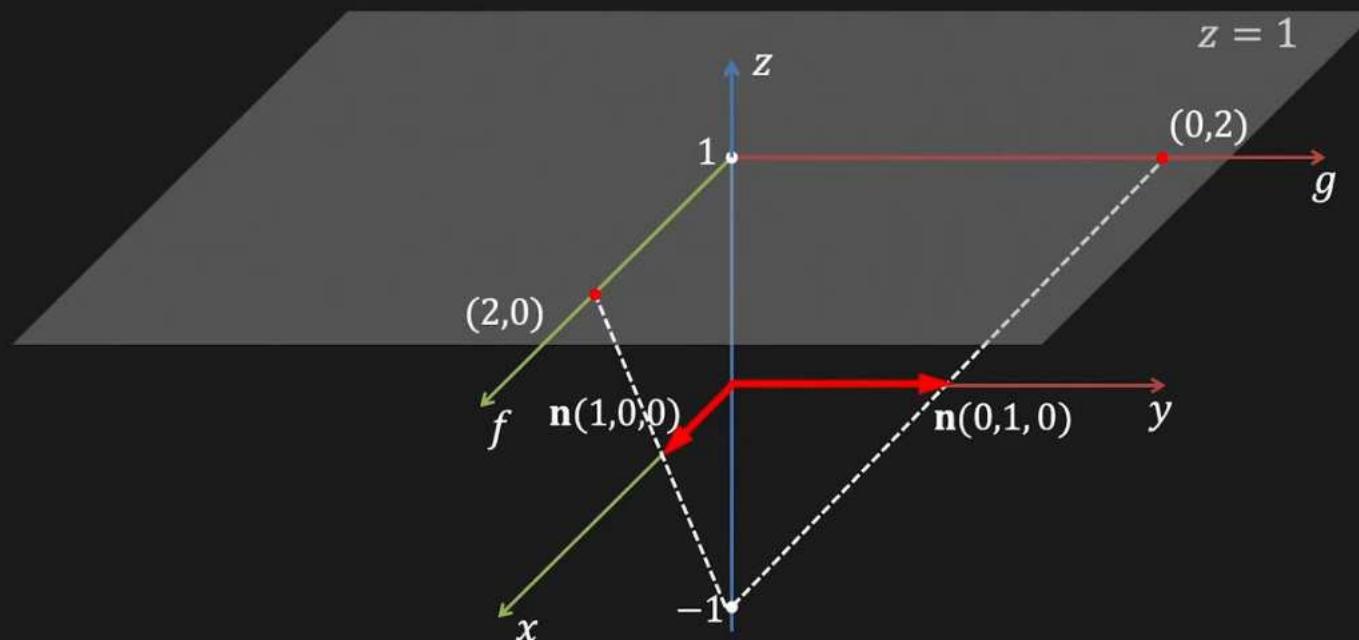
p or q is infinite when $\theta = 90^\circ$

$$f = \frac{2p}{1 + \sqrt{p^2 + q^2 + 1}}$$

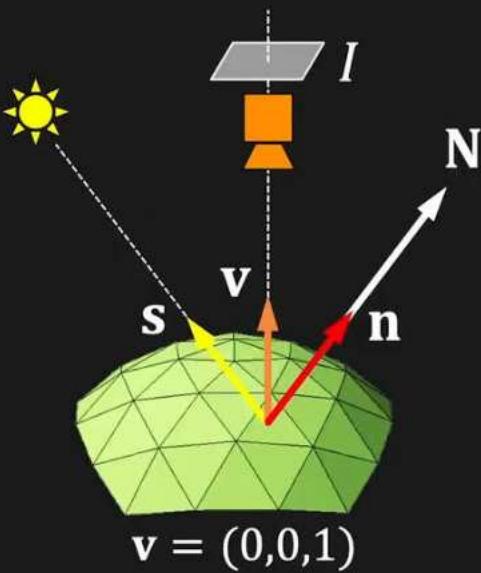
$$g = \frac{2q}{1 + \sqrt{p^2 + q^2 + 1}}$$



Stereographic Projection: fg Space



Reflectance Map $R_s(f, g)$



Surface normal:

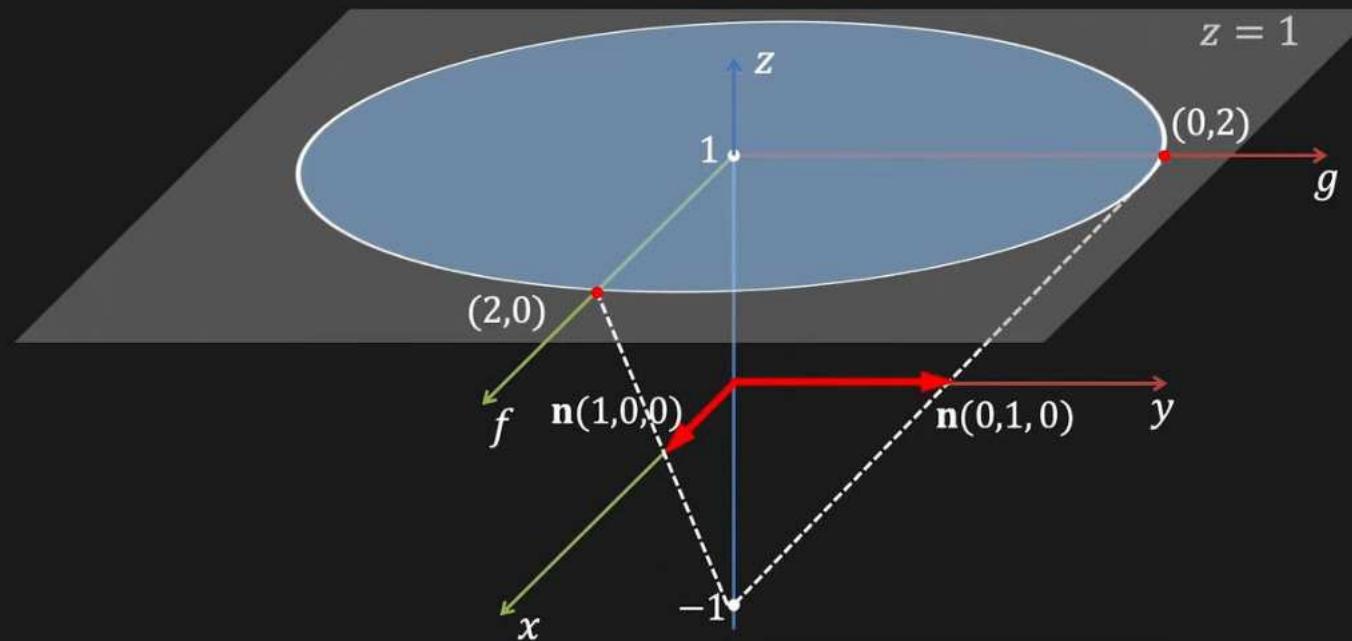
$$\mathbf{n} \equiv (p, q) \equiv (f, g)$$

For a given source direction s and surface reflectance, reflectance map relates image intensity to its surface gradients:

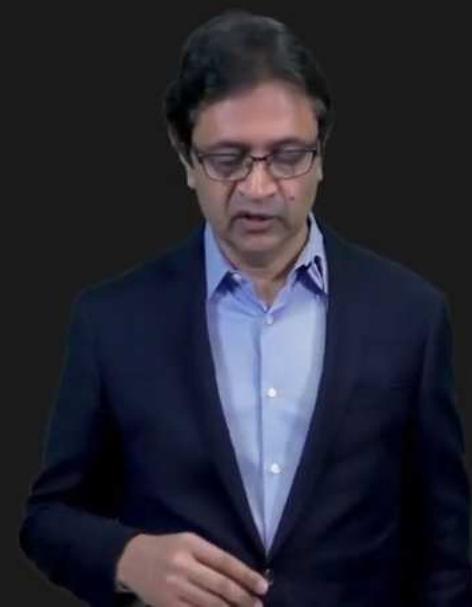
$$I = R_s(f, g)$$



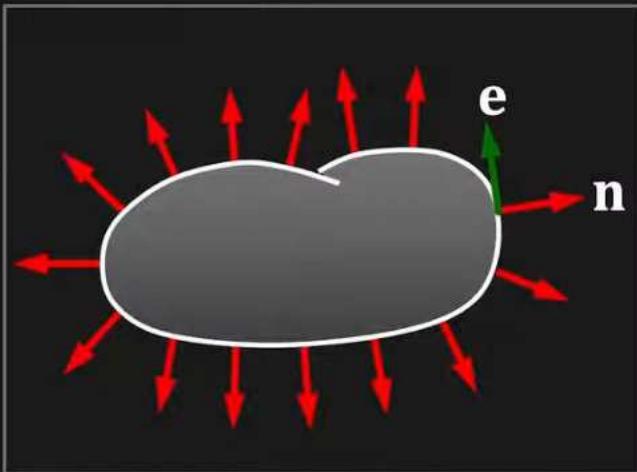
Stereographic Projection: fg Space



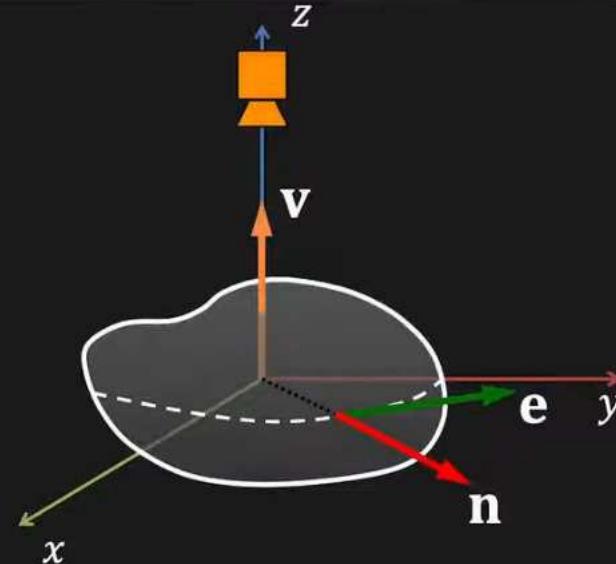
All possible values of surface gradients lie within a circle of radius 2 on the fg Plane.



Occluding Boundaries



Captured Image



$$\mathbf{n} \perp \mathbf{v} \quad \mathbf{n} \perp \mathbf{e}$$

(\mathbf{e} and \mathbf{v} are known)

$$\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{e} \times \mathbf{v}$$

Surface gradients (f, g) on occluding boundary are known and can be used as **boundary conditions**.



Image Irradiance Constraint

Assumption: Image irradiance (intensity) should equal the reflectance map. That is, $I(x, y) = R_s(f, g)$.

Minimize:

$$e_r = \iint (I(x, y) - R_s(f, g))^2 dx dy$$

Aim: Penalize errors between image irradiance and reflectance map.



Smoothness Constraint

Assumption: Object surface is smooth. That is, the gradient values (f, g) vary slowly.

Minimize:

$$e_s = \iint (f_x^2 + f_y^2) + (g_x^2 + g_y^2) dx dy$$

where: $f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$, $f_y = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$, $g_x = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}$ and $g_y = \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}$

Aim: Penalize rapid changes in f and g during surface estimation.



Shape from Shading

Find surface gradients (f, g) at all image points that minimize the function:

$$e = e_s + \lambda e_r$$

where:

e_s : Smoothness Constraint

e_r : Image Irradiance Error

λ : Weight



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λ : Weight

Known surface gradients (f, g) on
occluding boundary are held constant.



Numerical Shape from Shading

Smoothness Error at point (i,j) :

$$e_{s,i,j} = \frac{1}{4} \left((f_{i+1,j} - f_{i,j})^2 + (f_{i,j+1} - f_{i,j})^2 + (g_{i+1,j} - g_{i,j})^2 + (g_{i,j+1} - g_{i,j})^2 \right)$$

Image Irradiance Error at point (i,j) :

$$e_{r,i,j} = \left(I_{i,j} - R_s(f_{i,j}, g_{i,j}) \right)^2$$



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Image Irradiance Error at point (i,j) :

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Find $(f_{i,j}, g_{i,j})$ for all (i,j) that minimizes:

$$e = \sum_i \sum_j (e_{s_{i,j}} + \lambda e_{r_{i,j}})$$

[Ikeuchi 1981]



Numerical Shape from Shading

If $(f_{k,l}, g_{k,l})$ minimizes e , then $\frac{\partial e}{\partial f_{k,l}} = 0$ and $\frac{\partial e}{\partial g_{k,l}} = 0$

Given an image of size $N \times N$, there are $2N^2$ unknowns.
 $(N^2 f_{i,j}$'s and $N^2 g_{i,j}$'s)

However, note that each $f_{i,j}$ and $g_{i,j}$ appears in 4 terms in $e = \sum_i \sum_j (e_{s_{i,j}} + \lambda e_{r_{i,j}})$:

	X	
X	2X	



Numerical Shape from Shading

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Therefore:

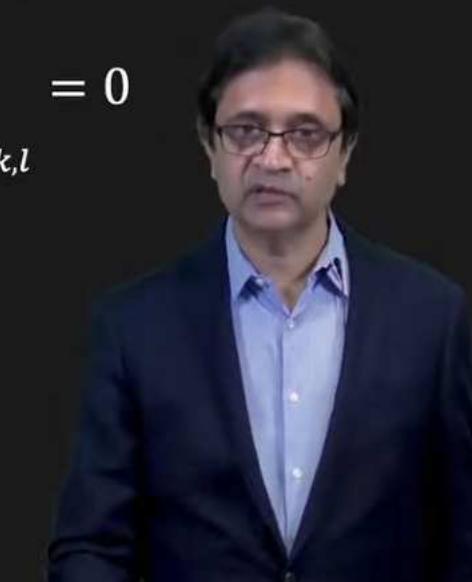
$$\text{Eq 1: } \frac{\partial e}{\partial f_{k,l}} = 2(f_{k,l} - \bar{f}_{k,l}) - 2\lambda \left(I_{k,l} - R_s(f_{k,l}, g_{k,l}) \right) \frac{\partial R_s}{\partial f} \Big|_{f_{k,l}, g_{k,l}} = 0$$

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where $\bar{f}_{k,l}$ and $\bar{g}_{k,l}$ are local averages:

$$\bar{f}_{k,l} = \frac{1}{4}(f_{k+1,l} + f_{k-1,l} + f_{k,l+1} + f_{k,l-1})$$

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Numerical Shape from Shading

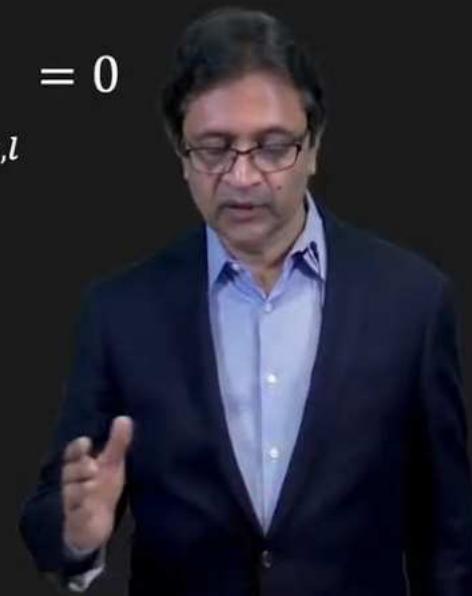
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Moving $f_{k,l}$ and $g_{k,l}$ to one side, we get.....



Iterative Solution

Update Rule:

$$f_{k,l}^{(n+1)} = \bar{f}_{k,l}^{(n)} + \lambda \left(I_{k,l} - R_s \left(f_{k,l}^{(n)}, g_{k,l}^{(n)} \right) \right) \frac{\partial R_s}{\partial f} \Big|_{f_{k,l}^{(n)}, g_{k,l}^{(n)}}$$

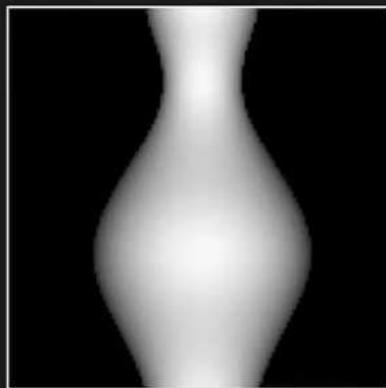
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n: iteration

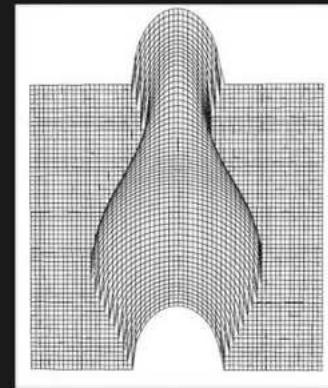
- Use known normals to fix (f, g) values on occluding boundary. Initialize the rest to $(0,0)$
- Iteratively compute (f, g) until the solution has converged.



Results: Synthetic Objects



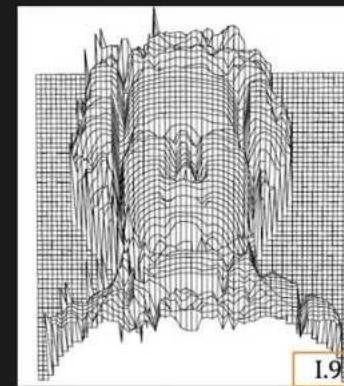
Scene



Recovered Shape



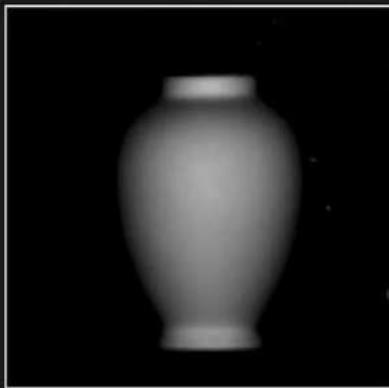
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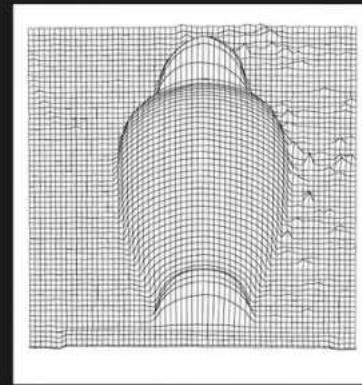
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Results: Real Objects



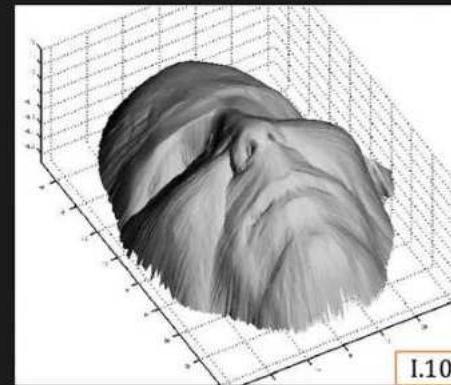
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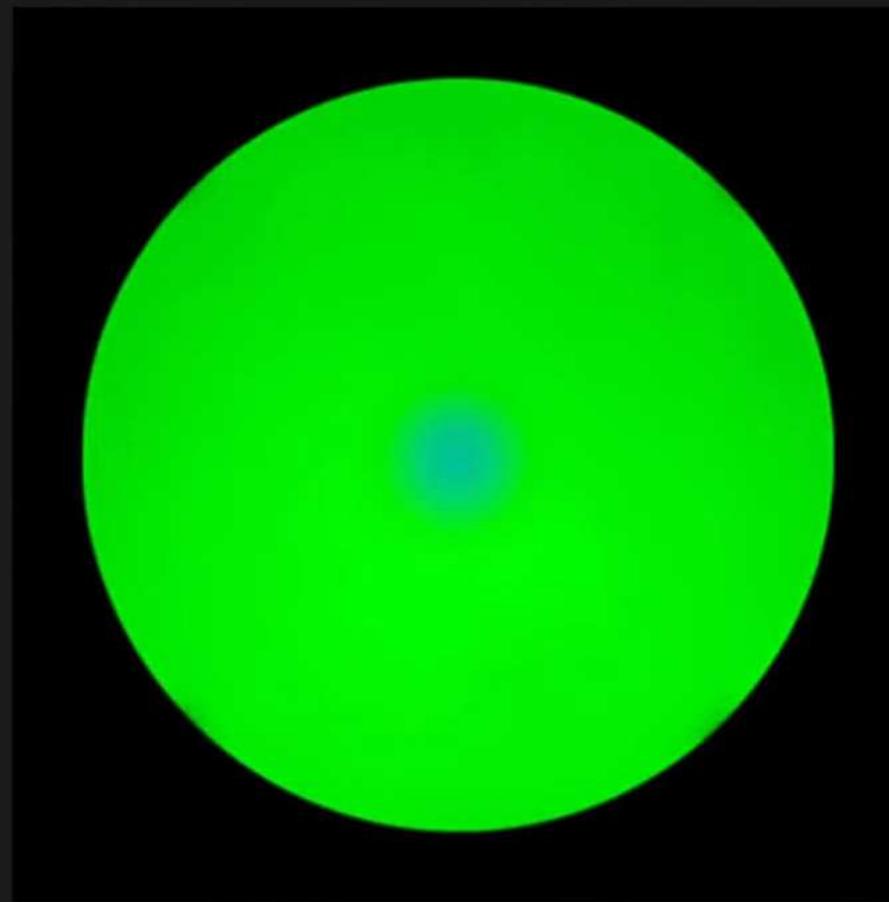
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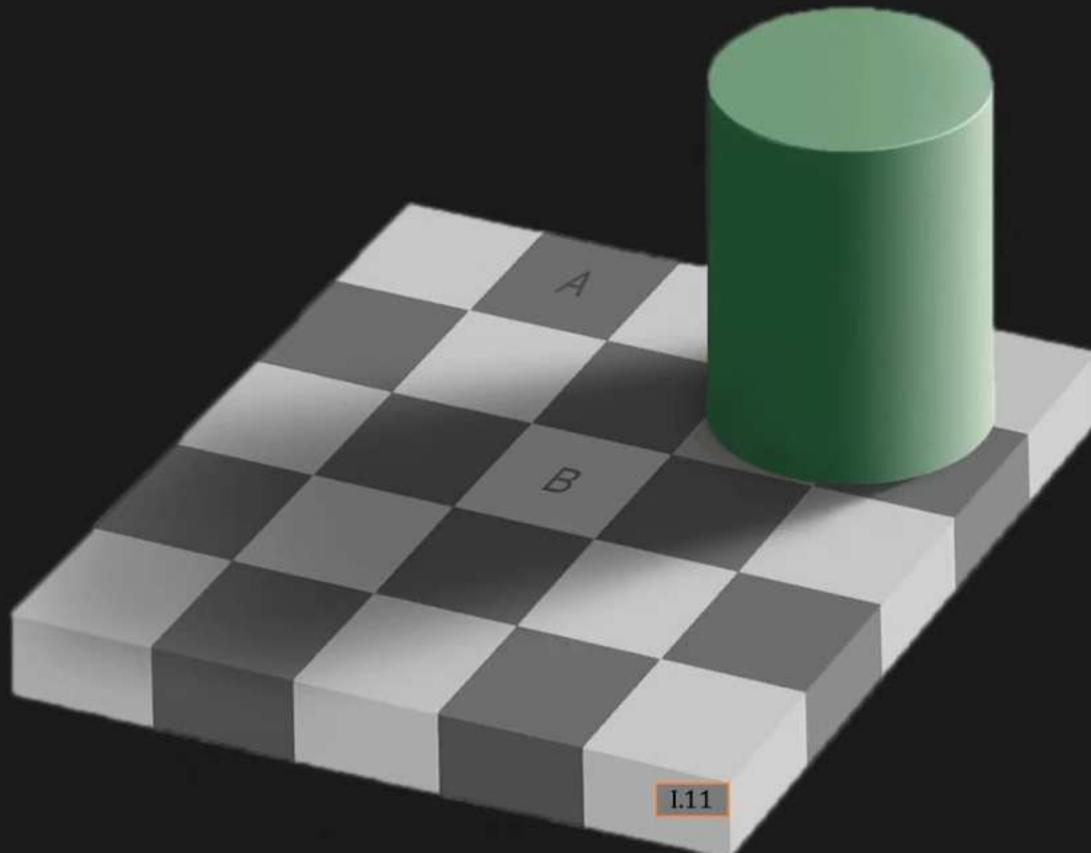
Shading Illusions: Fading Disk



Fading Disk Illusion



Shading Illusions: Checker Shadow

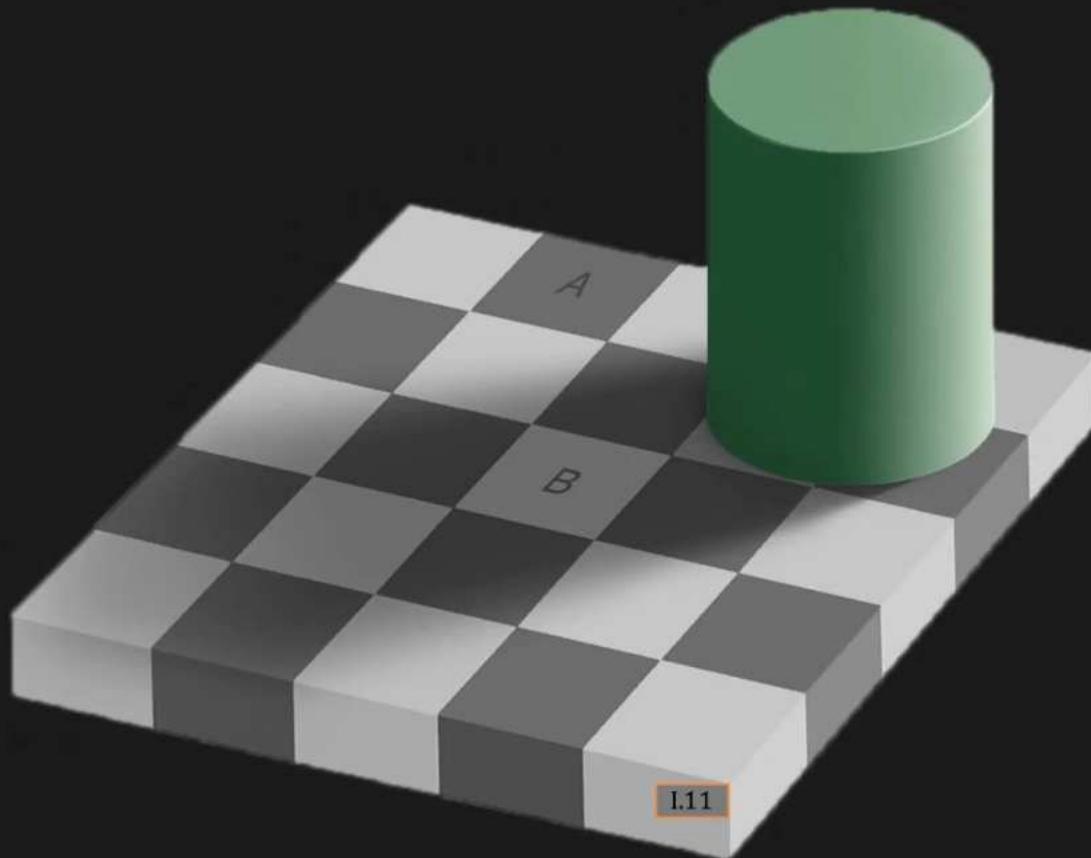


B seems Brighter than A

[Adelson 1995]



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Topics:

- (1) Point Spread Function
- (2) Depth from Focus



Depth from Defocus

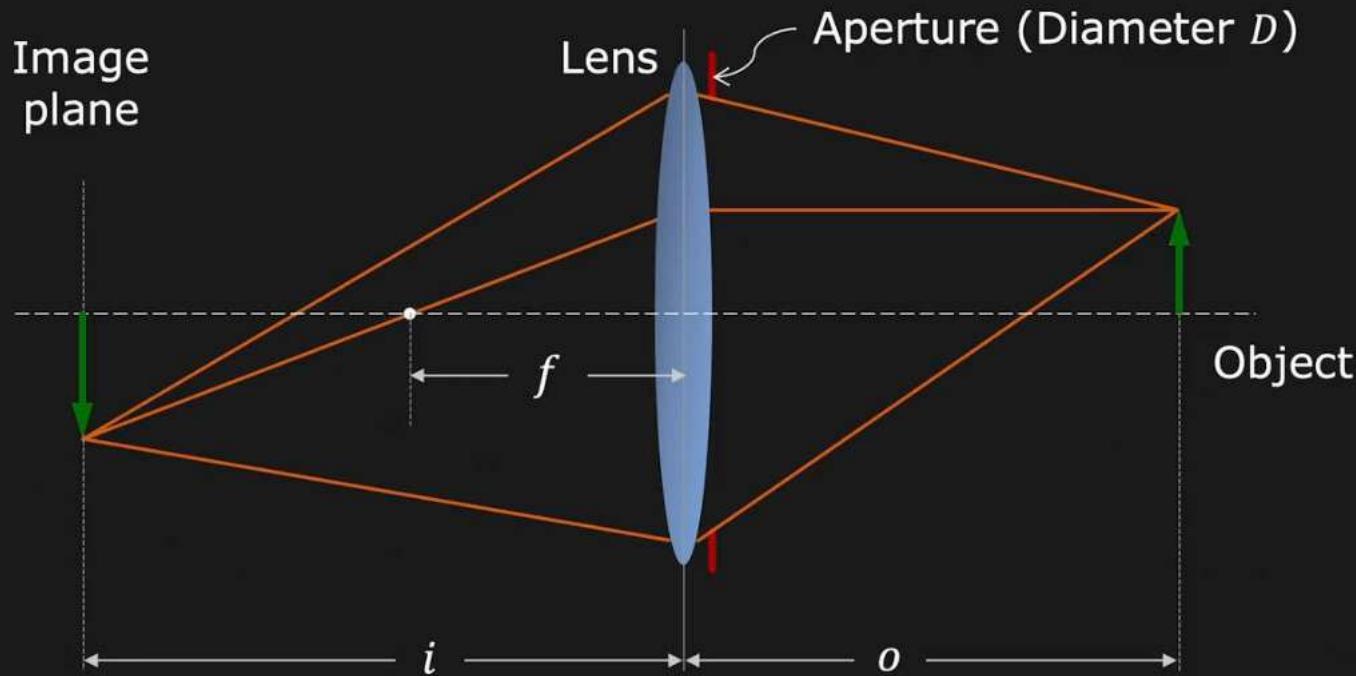
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Gaussian Lens Law



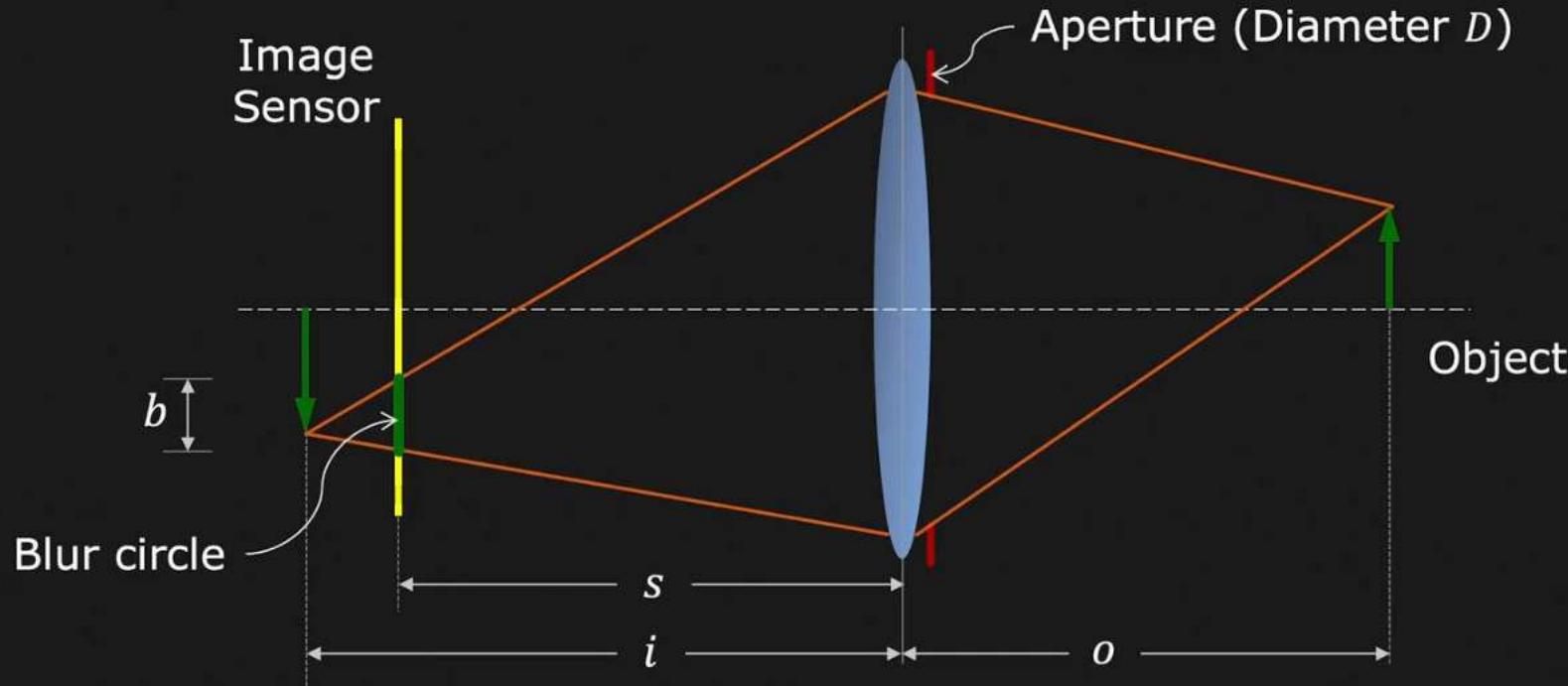
Gaussian lens law:

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{i} + \frac{1}{o}$$

f : Focal length



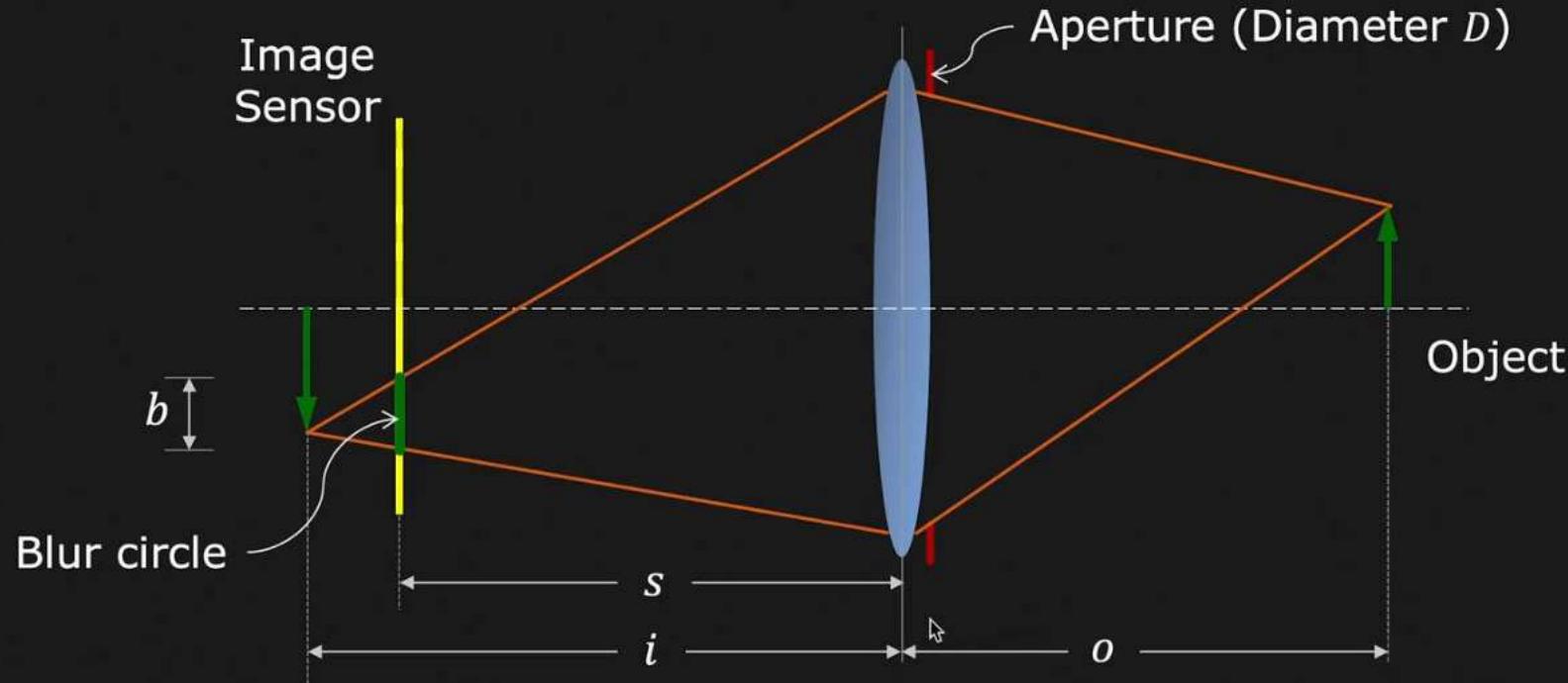
Geometry of Image Defocus



From Similar Triangles: $\frac{b}{D} = \left| \frac{i - s}{i} \right|$



Image Defocus and Sensor Location

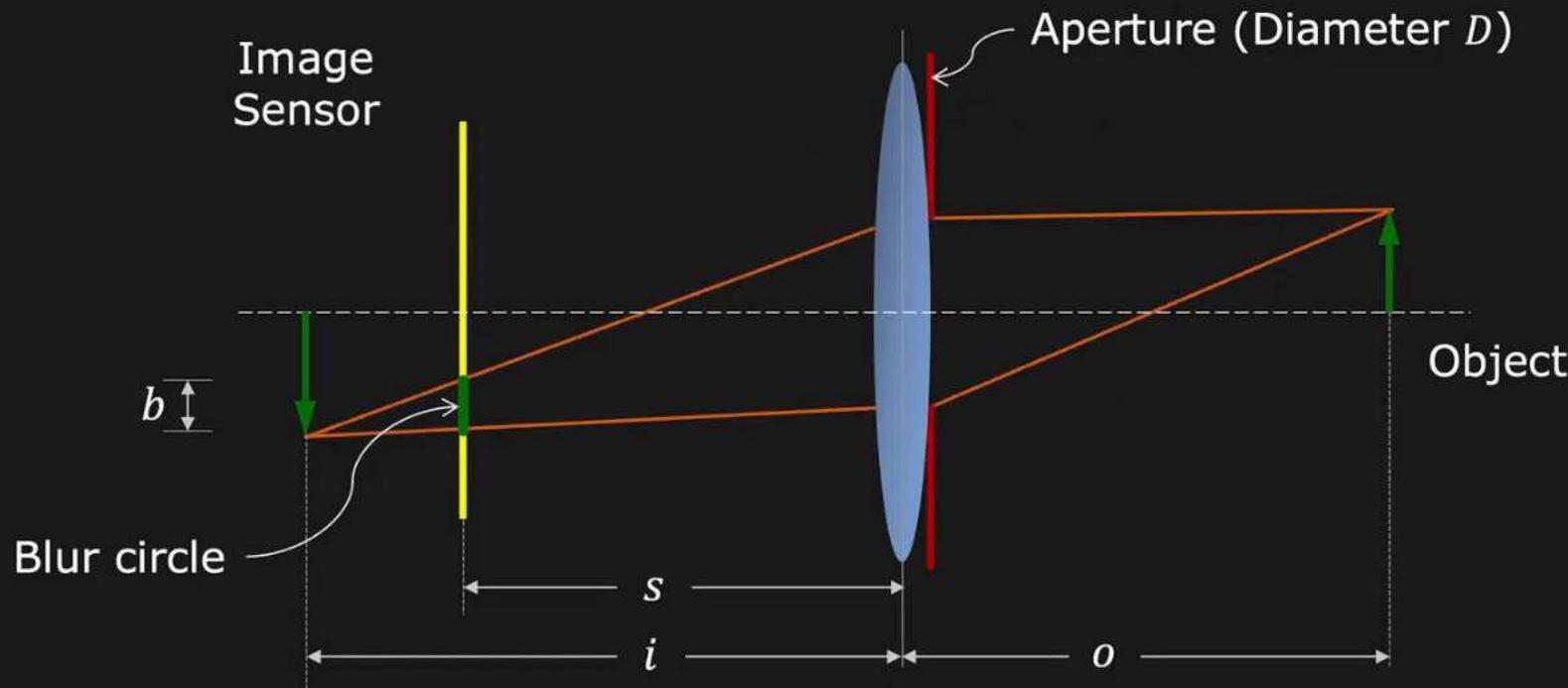


Blur circle diameter:

$$b = D \left| 1 - \frac{s}{i} \right|$$



Image Defocus and Aperture Size



Blur circle diameter:

$$b = D \left| 1 - \frac{s}{i} \right|$$

Smaller the aperture size D , smaller the blur circle b



Point Spread Function (PSF)

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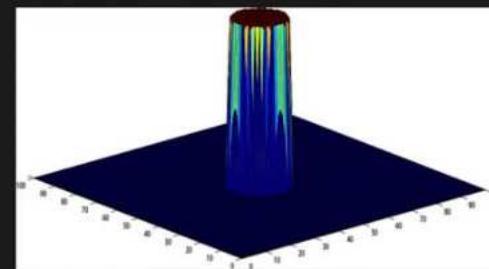


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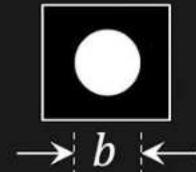
Point Spread Function (PSF): The response of a camera system to a point source (an impulse).

Pillbox (Disk) PSF:

$$h(x, y) = \begin{cases} 4/\pi b^2, & x^2 + y^2 \leq b^2/4 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



$h(x, y)$

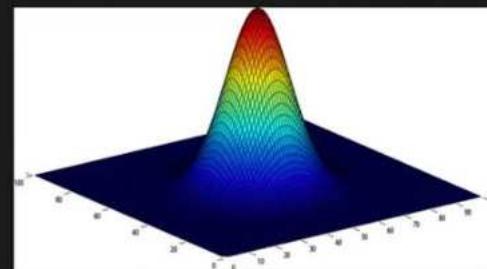


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Gaussian PSF:

$$h(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2\sigma^2}}$$



$$h(x, y)$$



$$\sigma = b/2$$

(approximation)



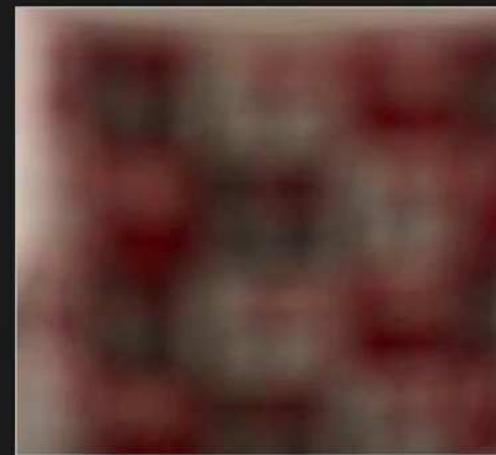
Defocus as Convolution

Within a region where scene depth is constant...



$f_0(x, y)$

$$* \quad \begin{matrix} & \\ & \end{matrix} =$$



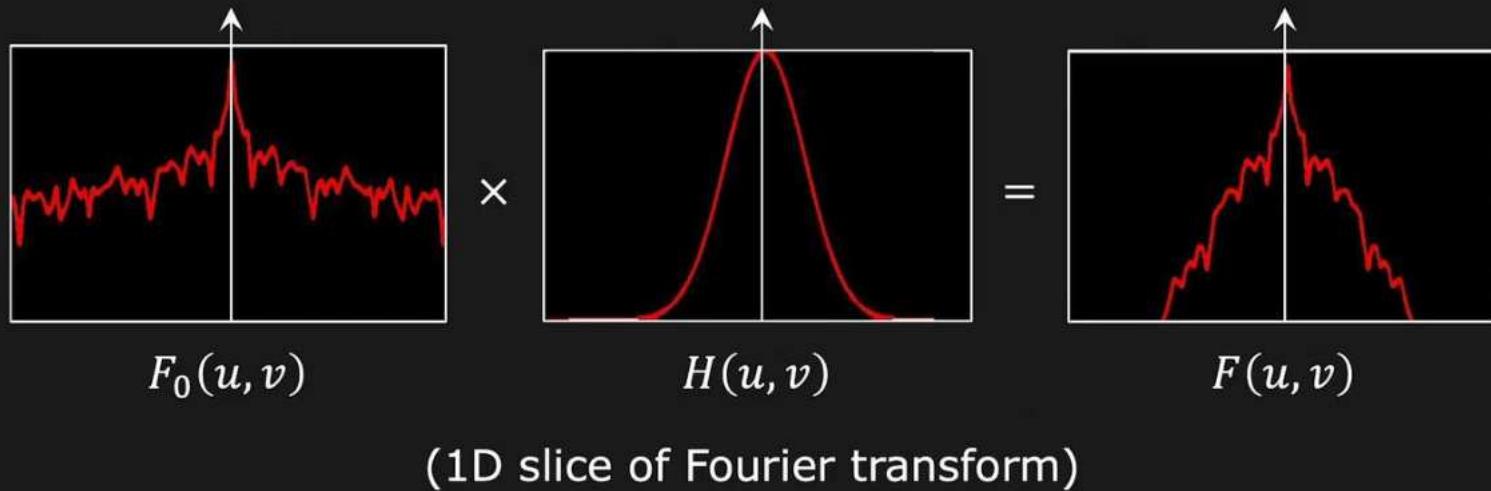
$f(x, y)$



...Defocus is **linear** and **shift invariant**, and therefore can be expressed as a **convolution**.

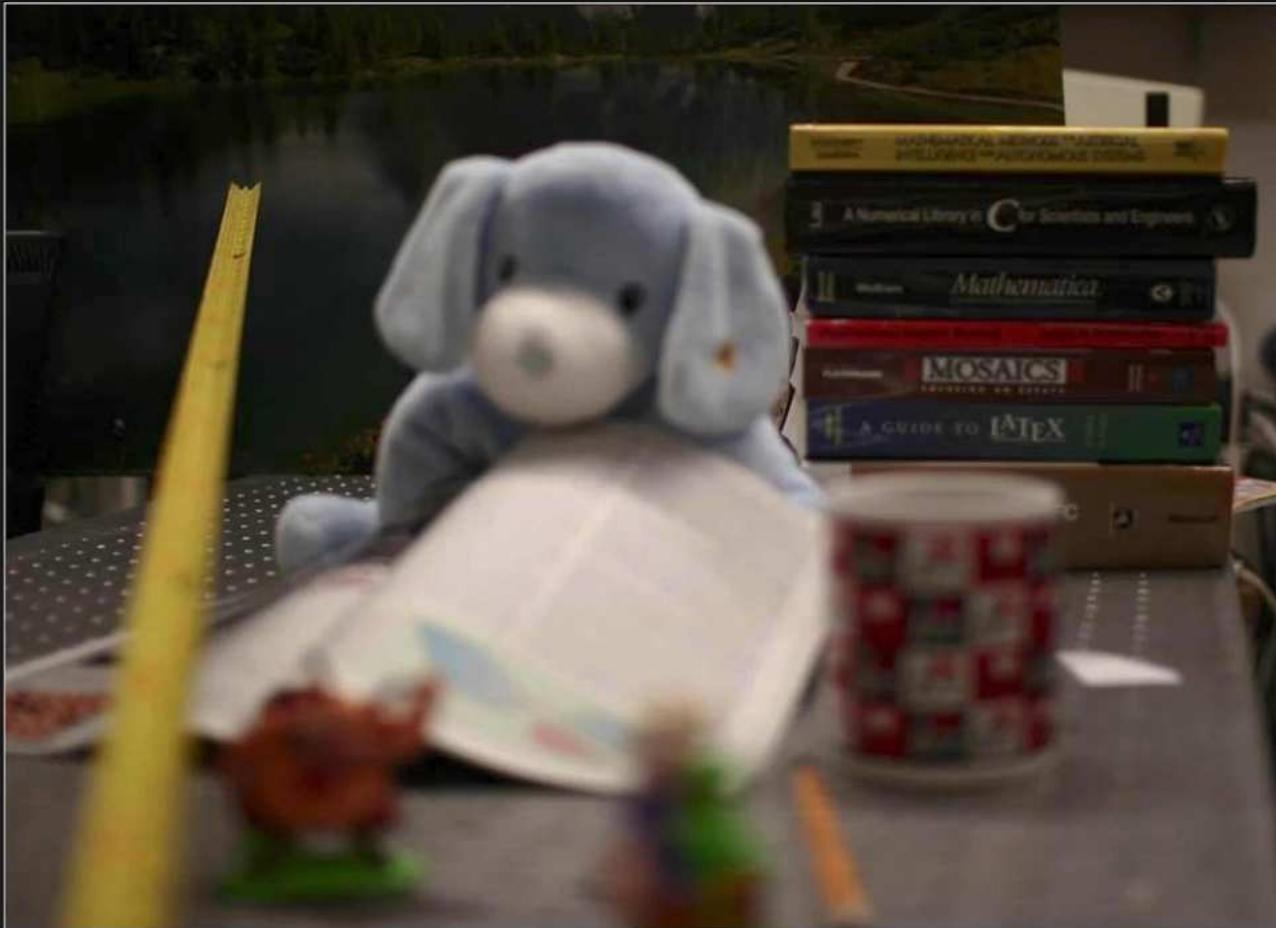
Defocus in Fourier Domain

Defocus can be represented as product of Fourier transforms



Depth From Focus

Take images with different focus settings by moving the sensor



Depth From Focus

For each small image patch, find when it is best focused.



Obtain scene depth using gaussian lens law.

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Ex: $s = 51.25 \text{ mm}$
 $f = 50 \text{ mm}$
 $o = 2.05 \text{ m}$



Focus Measure

Since defocus attenuates high frequencies, use a **high-pass filter** to measure amount of **high frequency content** within each small patch.

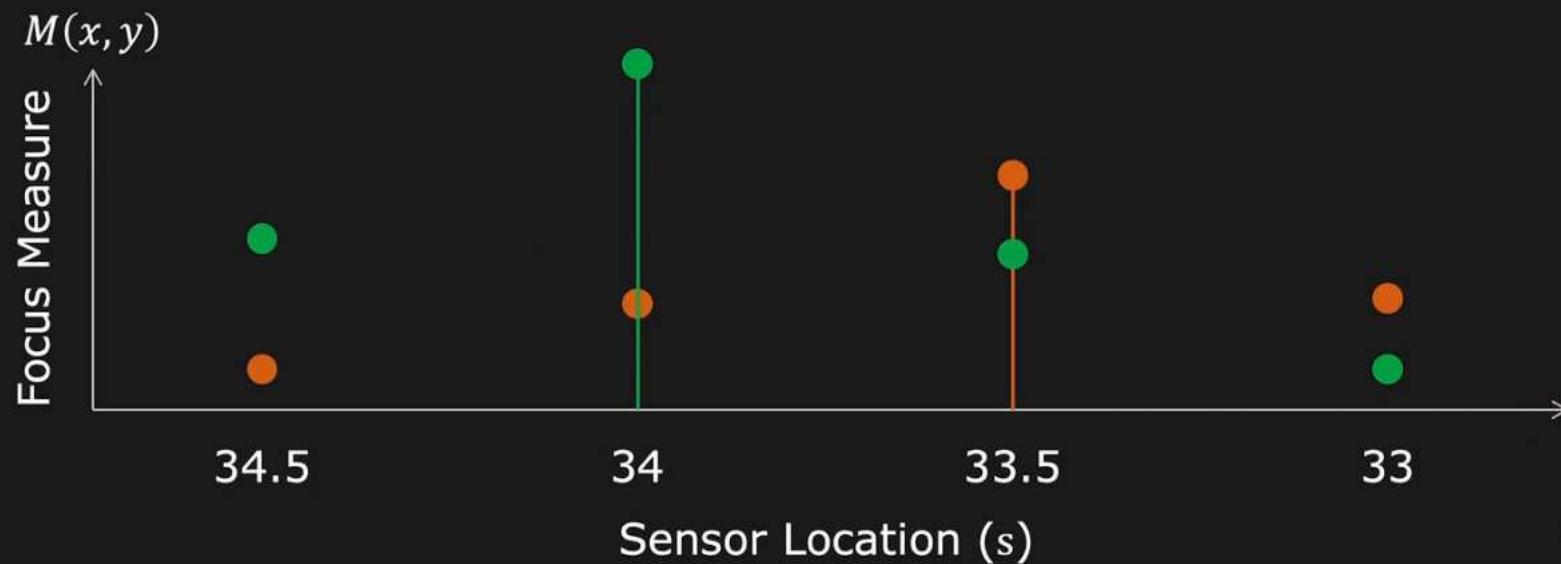
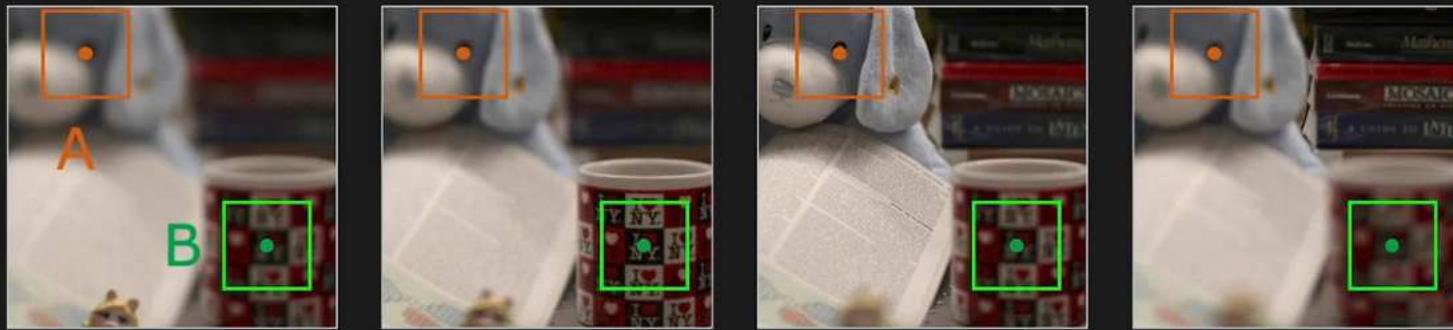
For example, use: $\nabla_M^2 f = \left| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right|$ (Similar to Laplacian)

Focus Measure: Sum of the square of (modified) Laplacian responses within a small window.

$$M(x, y) = \sum_{i=x-K}^{x+K} \sum_{j=y-K}^{y+K} \nabla_M^2 f(i, j)$$



Depth from Focus

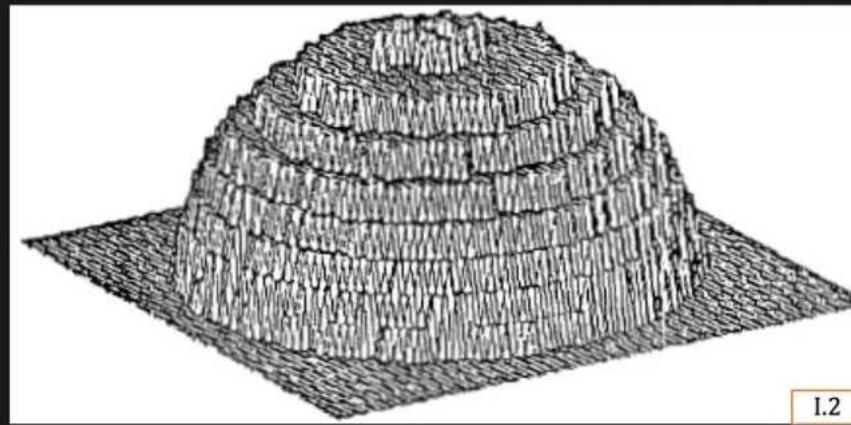


Depth from Focus

Depths can have only N values where N is the number of sensor locations.



Scene
(Metal ball with
rough surface)



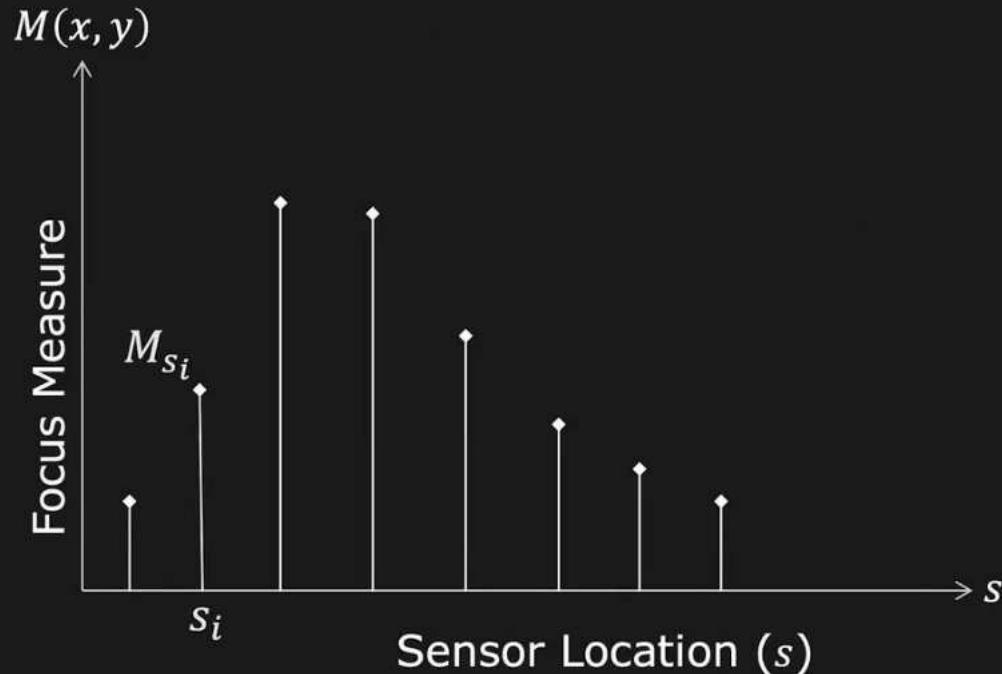
Shape obtained using
Depth from Focus

Solution: Take images using many sensor locations. OR.



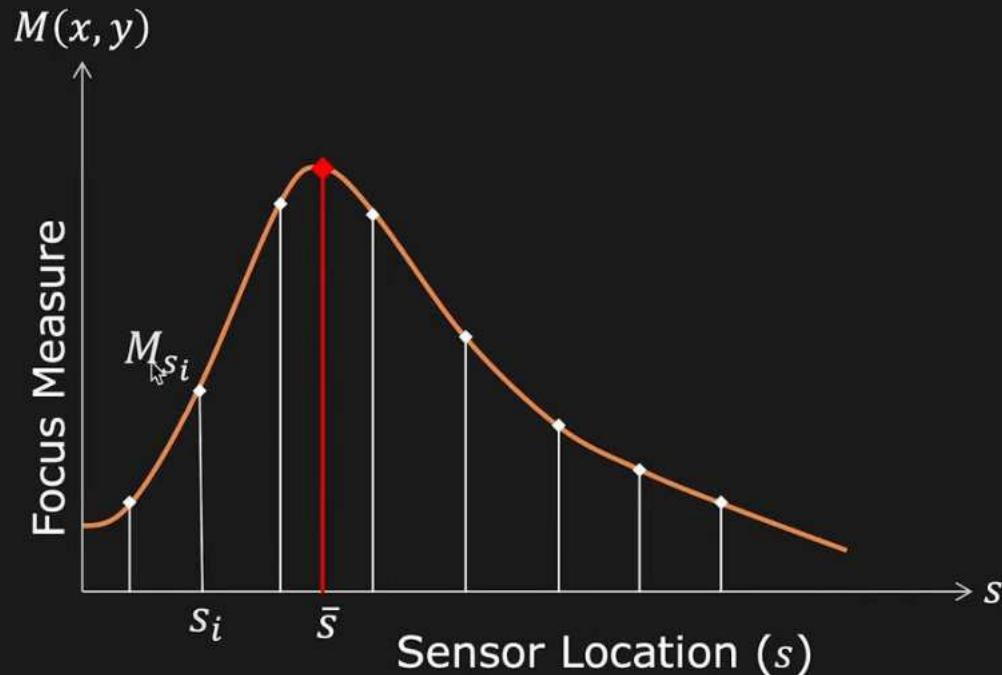
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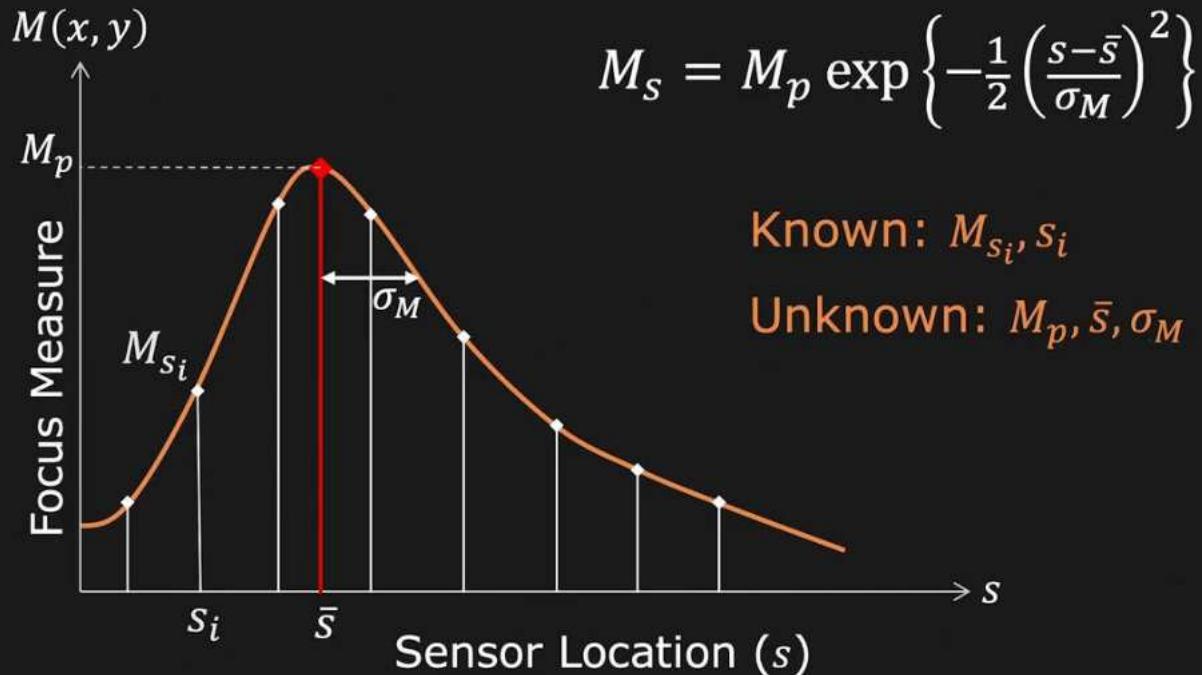
Mean of the Gaussian may be used as the sensor location corresponding to the “best focus.”



[Nayar 1994]

Gaussian Interpolation

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How many (M_{s_i}, s_i) samples do we need to estimate \bar{s} ?

Gaussian Interpolation

Linearize problem to solve for (\bar{s}, M_p, σ_M) .

Gaussian: $M_s = M_p \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{s-\bar{s}}{\sigma_M} \right)^2 \right\}$

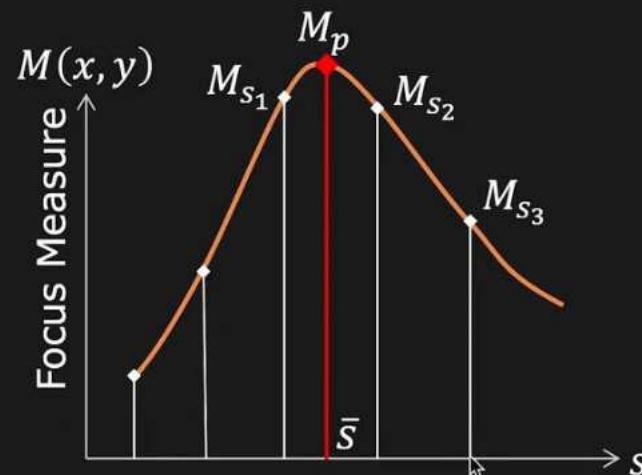
Taking the natural logarithm: $\ln M_s = \ln M_p - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{s-\bar{s}}{\sigma_M} \right)^2$

Three sensor positions:

$$\ln M_{s_1} = \ln M_p - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{s_1-\bar{s}}{\sigma_M} \right)^2$$

$$\ln M_{s_2} = \ln M_p - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{s_2-\bar{s}}{\sigma_M} \right)^2$$

$$\ln M_{s_3} = \ln M_p - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{s_3-\bar{s}}{\sigma_M} \right)^2$$



Where, $M_{s_1}, M_{s_2}, M_{s_3}$ are the three largest values.



Depth Estimation

Solving for \bar{s} :

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{s} = & + \frac{(\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_3})(s_2^2 - s_1^2)}{2(s_3 - s_2)\{(\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_1}) + (\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_3})\}} \\ & - \frac{(\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_1})(s_2^2 - s_3^2)}{2(s_3 - s_2)\{(\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_1}) + (\ln M_{s_2} - \ln M_{s_3})\}}\end{aligned}$$

Obtain scene depth using Gaussian Lens Law:

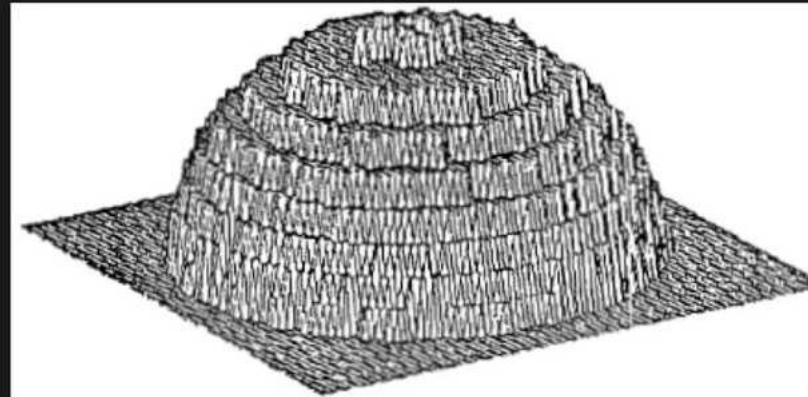
$$o = \frac{\bar{s}f}{\bar{s} - f}$$



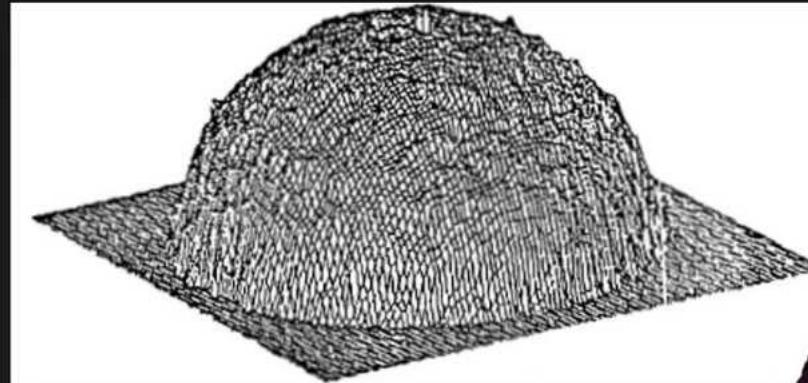
Depth from Focus: Result



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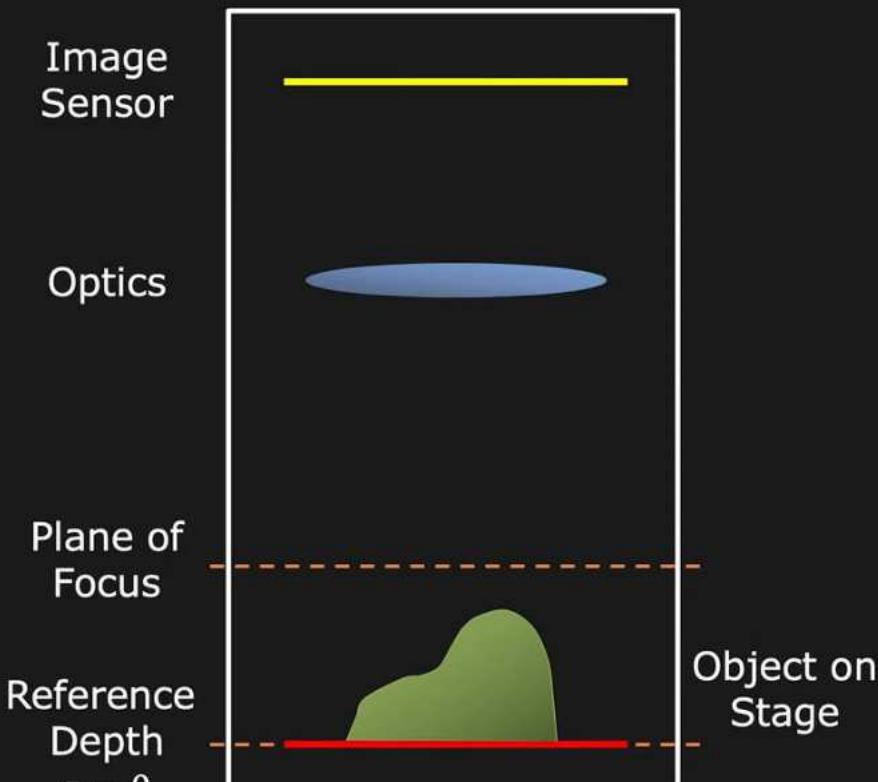
Depth without Gaussian Interpolation



Depth using Gaussian Interpolation



A Depth from Focus System

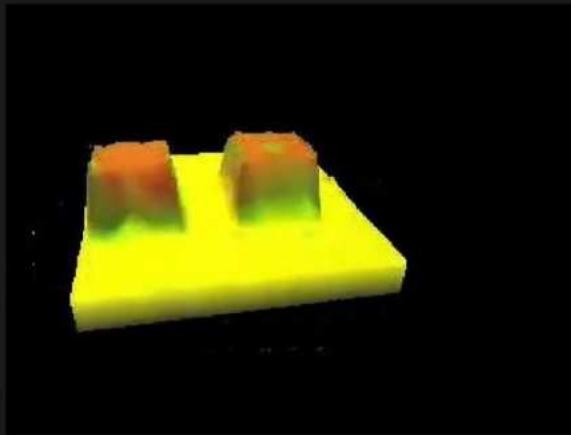


DFF in a Microscope

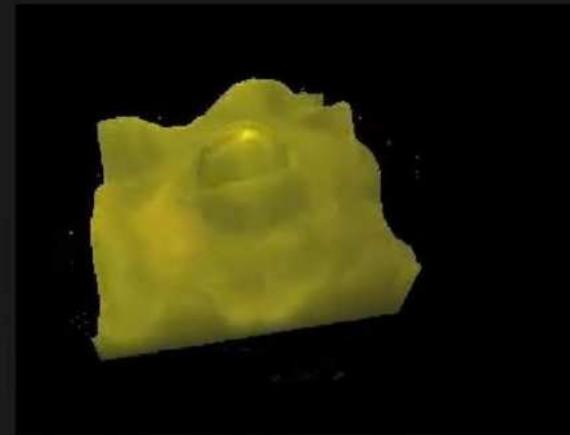


[Nayar 1994]

Depth from Focus System: Results



Structures on Silicon Wafer
(13 microns in height)



Leaf Stomata (air vent)
(30 microns in height)



[Nayar 1994]

Depth from Defocus

Given an image, depth of a scene point can be computed if we know how much it is defocused.



Captured image

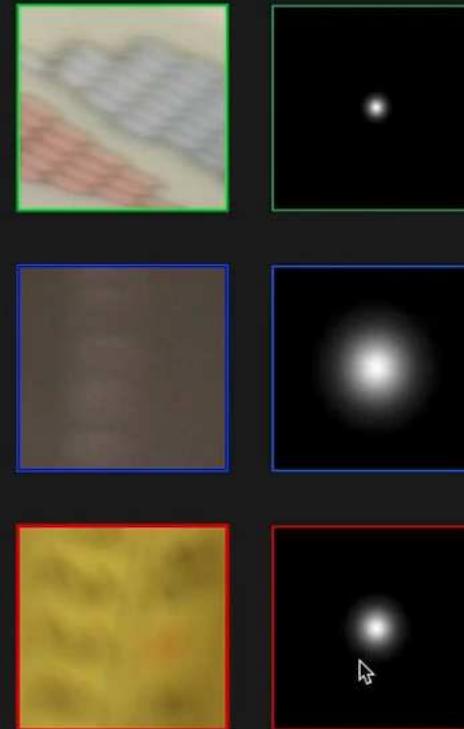
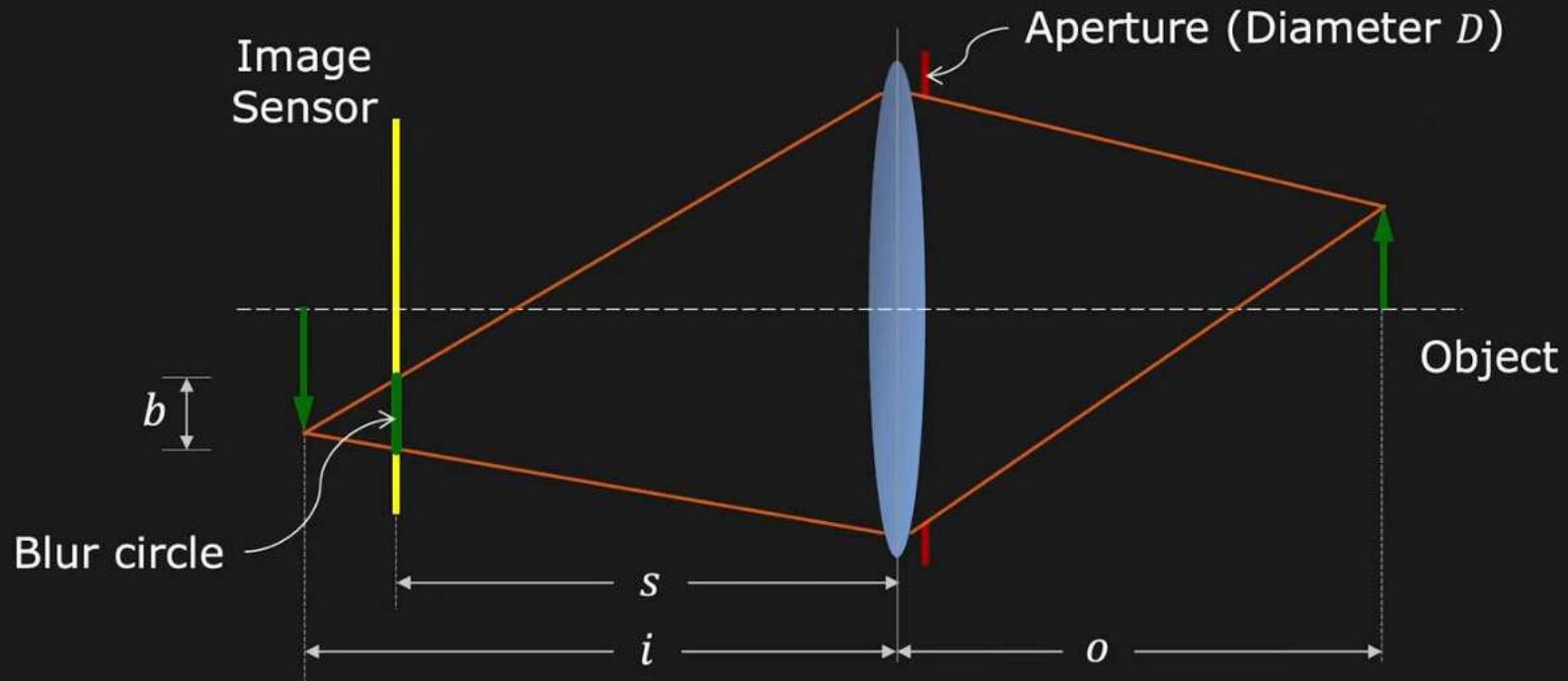


Image Patches

PSFs



Depth From Defocus



We know that:

$$\frac{b}{D} = \frac{i - s}{i}$$

and

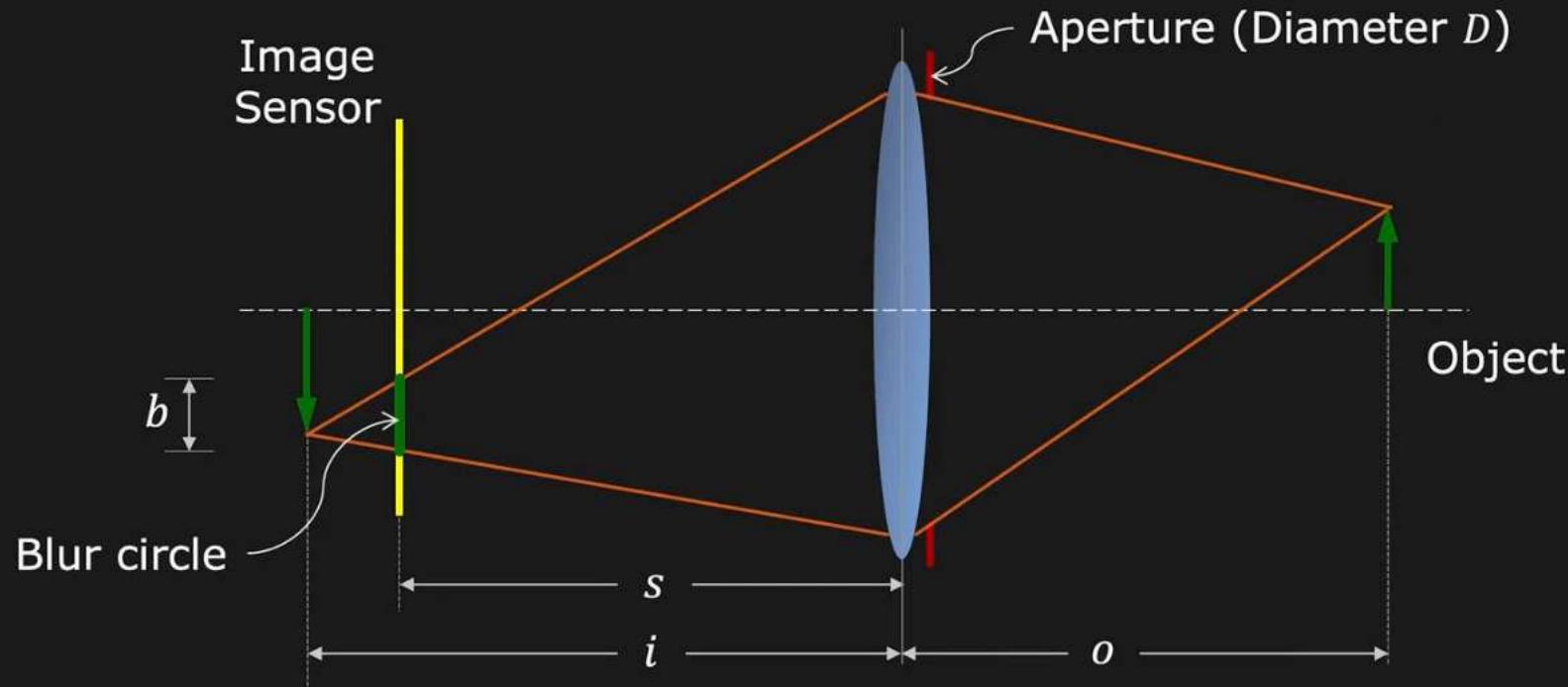
$$o = \frac{if}{i - f}$$

$$\Rightarrow i = \frac{Ds}{D - b}$$

$$\Rightarrow o = \frac{sf}{s - f + b(f/D)}$$



Depth From Defocus



Given b , s , D and f , we get Object Distance:

$$o = \frac{sf}{s - f + b(f/D)}$$

f/D : F-Number



Depth from Defocus

Can we estimate blur size b from a single image?



Scene
 $f(x, y)$

$$\begin{matrix} * \\ \text{Defocus PSF} \\ h(x, y) \end{matrix}$$



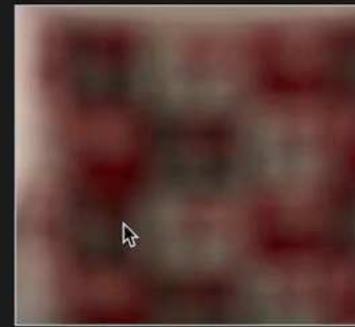
Image Patch
 $g(x, y)$



Impossible: One equation, two unknowns

Depth from Defocus

What if we have two images with different defocus?

 $f(x, y)$ $*$  $=$  $g_1(x, y)$  $f(x, y)$ $*$  $=$  $g_2(x, y)$ 

Depth from Defocus

What if we have two images with different defocus?



$$f(x, y)$$

$$\ast \quad \begin{matrix} ? \\ \hline \end{matrix} =$$



$$g_1(x, y)$$



$$f(x, y)$$

$$\ast \quad \begin{matrix} ? \\ \hline \end{matrix} =$$



$$g_2(x, y)$$

Two equations, three unknowns



The Third Equation

If the two images were taken with two known apertures, then their blur sizes are related.



Blur circles:

$$b_1 = D_1 \left| 1 - \frac{s}{i} \right|$$

$$\sigma_1 = b_1/2$$

$$b_2 = D_2 \left| 1 - \frac{s}{i} \right|$$

$$\sigma_2 = b_2/2$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} = \frac{D_1}{D_2}}$$



Depth from Defocus

For each image patch we have:

Three unknowns



$f(x, y)$



σ_1



σ_2

Three equations

$$g_1(x, y) = f(x, y) * h_{\sigma_1}(x, y)$$

$$g_2(x, y) = f(x, y) * h_{\sigma_2}(x, y)$$

$$\sigma_1/\sigma_2 = D_1/D_2$$

In Fourier Domain

$$G_1(u, v) = F(u, v) \times H_{\sigma_1}(u, v)$$

$$G_2(u, v) = F(u, v) \times H_{\sigma_2}(u, v)$$

$$\sigma_1/\sigma_2 = D_1/D_2$$



A Naïve DFD Algorithm

Cancel out $F(u, v)$:

$$\frac{G_1(u, v)}{G_2(u, v)} = \frac{F(u, v) \times H_{\sigma_1}(u, v)}{F(u, v) \times H_{\sigma_2}(u, v)} = \frac{H_{\sigma_1}(u, v)}{H_{\sigma_2}(u, v)}$$

Substitute for $H_{\sigma_1}(u, v)$ and $H_{\sigma_2}(u, v)$:

$$\frac{G_1(u, v)}{G_2(u, v)} = \frac{\exp(-2\pi^2(u^2 + v^2)\sigma_1^2)}{\exp(-2\pi^2(u^2 + v^2)\sigma_2^2)}$$

Taking the natural logarithm on both sides:

$$\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_2^2 = \frac{\ln G_2(u, v) - \ln G_1(u, v)}{2\pi^2(u^2 + v^2)}$$

$$\sigma_1/\sigma_2 = D_1/D_2$$

Solve the above to get σ_1 and σ_2 . Use either one to obtain object distance (depth).



Reconstruction-Based Depth from Defocus

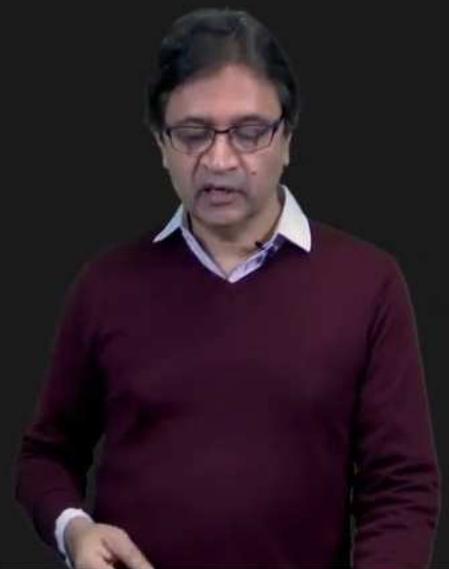
Find $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, f(x, y))$ that minimizes Reconstruction Error:

$$E(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, f) = \|g_1 - (h_{\sigma_1} * f)\|^2 + \|g_2 - (h_{\sigma_2} * f)\|^2$$

We know that $\sigma_2 = \sigma_1 D_2 / D_1$

Rewrite E as a 2-variable function:

$$E(\sigma_1, f) = \|g_1 - (h_{\sigma_1} * f)\|^2 + \|g_2 - (h_{(\sigma_1 D_2 / D_1)} * f)\|^2$$



Computing Depth From Defocus

Find (σ_1, f) using: $\frac{\partial E}{\partial \sigma_1} = 0$ and $\frac{\partial E}{\partial f} = 0$

Using σ_1 compute size of blur circle: $b_1 = 2\sigma_1$

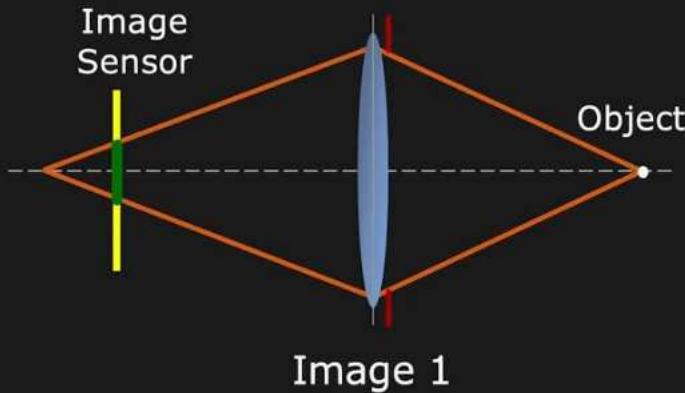
Object distance (depth):

$$o = \frac{s_1 f}{s_1 - f + b_1(f/D)}$$

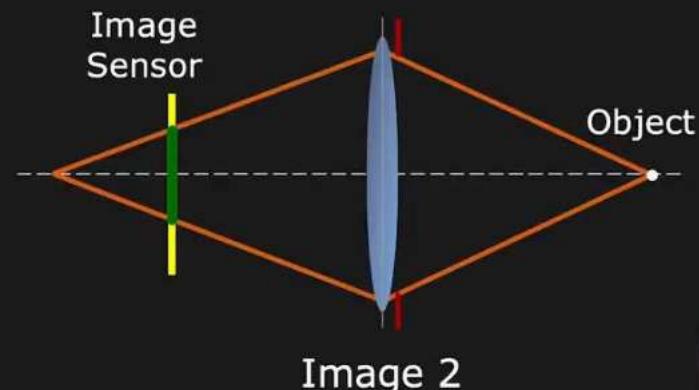
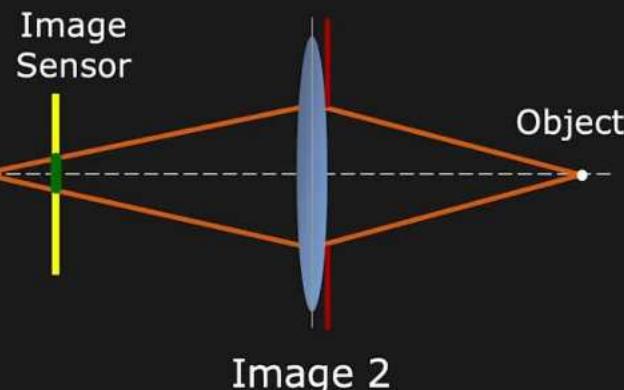
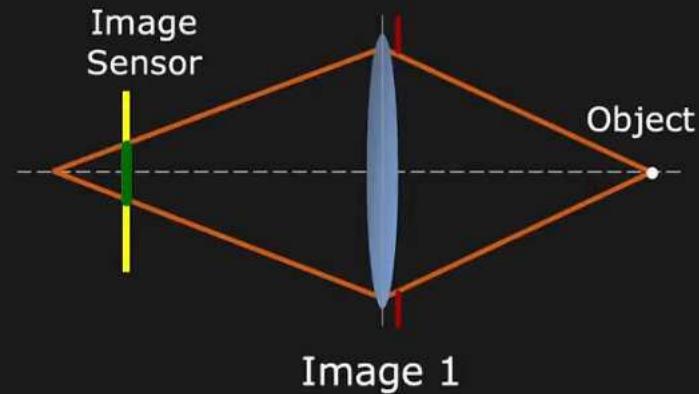


Capturing Defocused Images

Method 1: Change Aperture



Method 2: Move Sensor



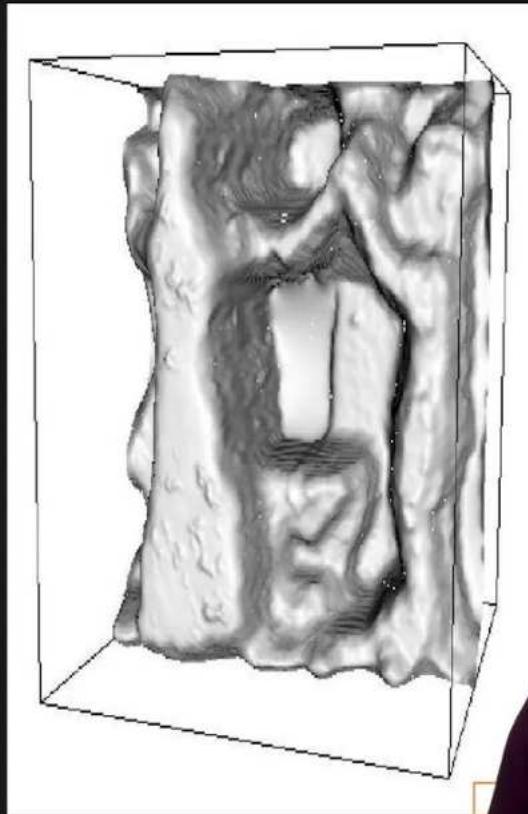
Depth from Defocus: Result



Far Focused



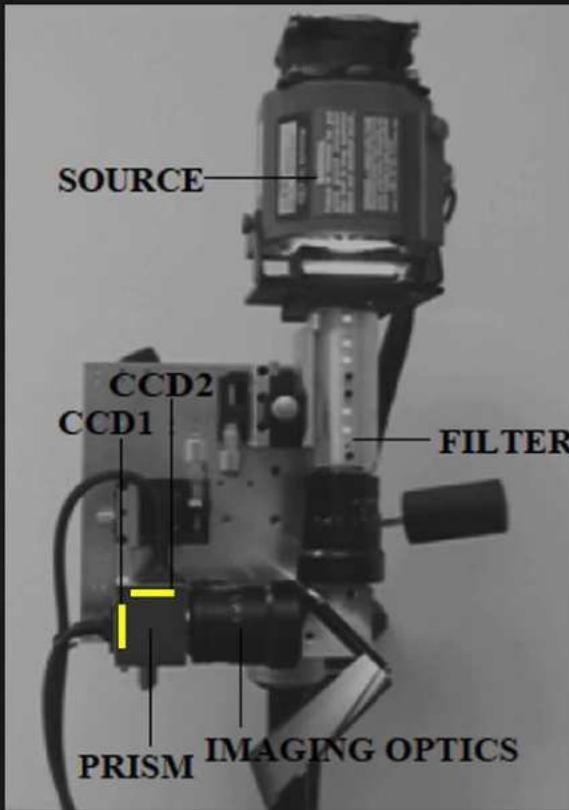
Near Focused



Estimated 3D shape



Depth from Defocus System



Uses a fine illumination pattern to ensure surface texture

[Nayar 1996]

Depth from Defocus System



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Depth from Defocus System



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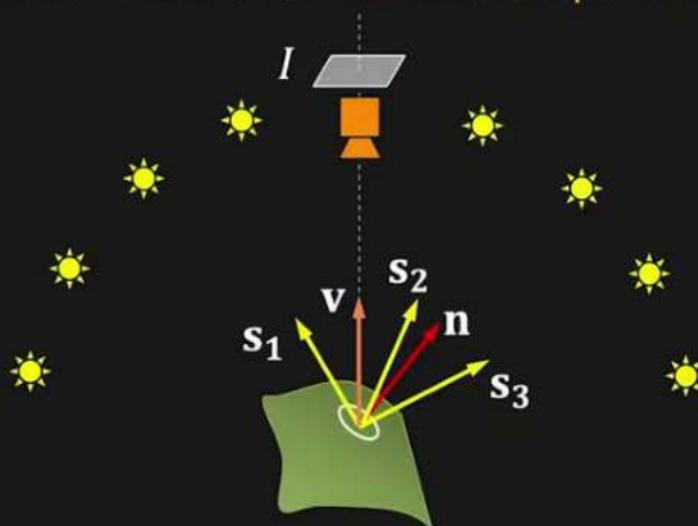
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Photometric Sampling

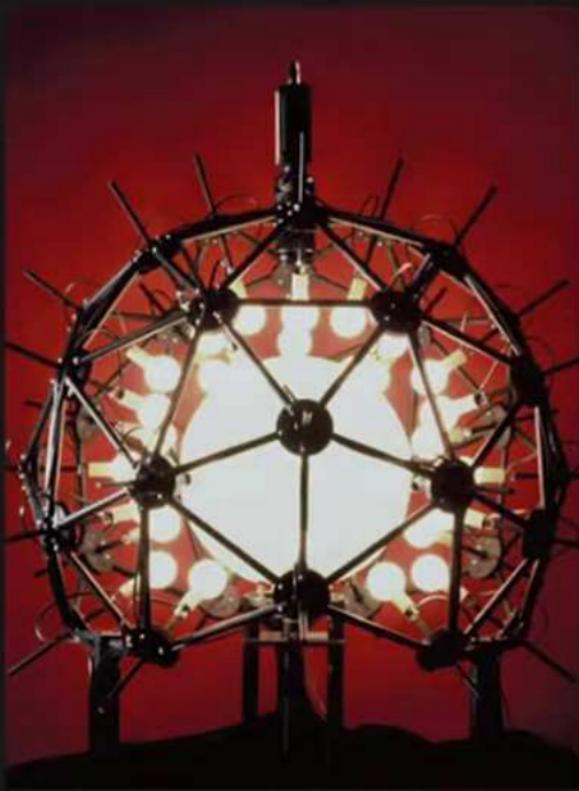
Given: Multiple images of object with known reflectance model with unknown parameters under different known sources.

Find: Surface normals and reflectance parameters.



[Nayar 1989]

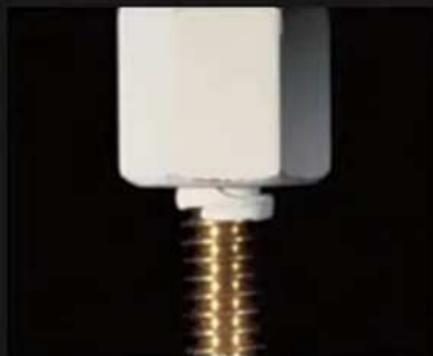
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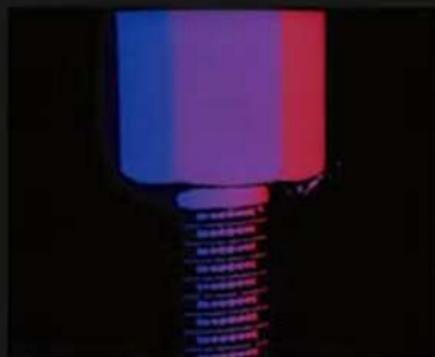
[Nayar 1989]



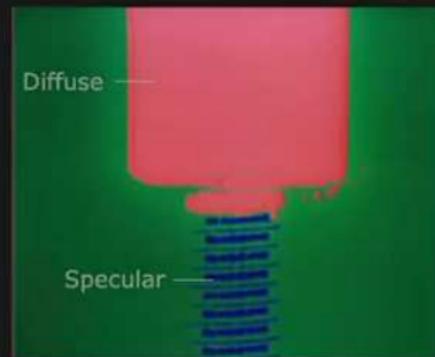
Recovering Shape and Reflectance



Object



Surface Normals



Reflectance

[Nayar 1989]



Light Stage



[Wenger 2005]

Relighting



[Wenger 2005]

Real-Time Shape and Reflectance



Surface Normals and Reflectance



[Wenger 2005]

Real-Time Shape and Reflectance



Surface Normals and Reflectance



[Wenger 2005]

Real-Time Shape and Reflectance



Surface Normals and Reflectance



Relighting



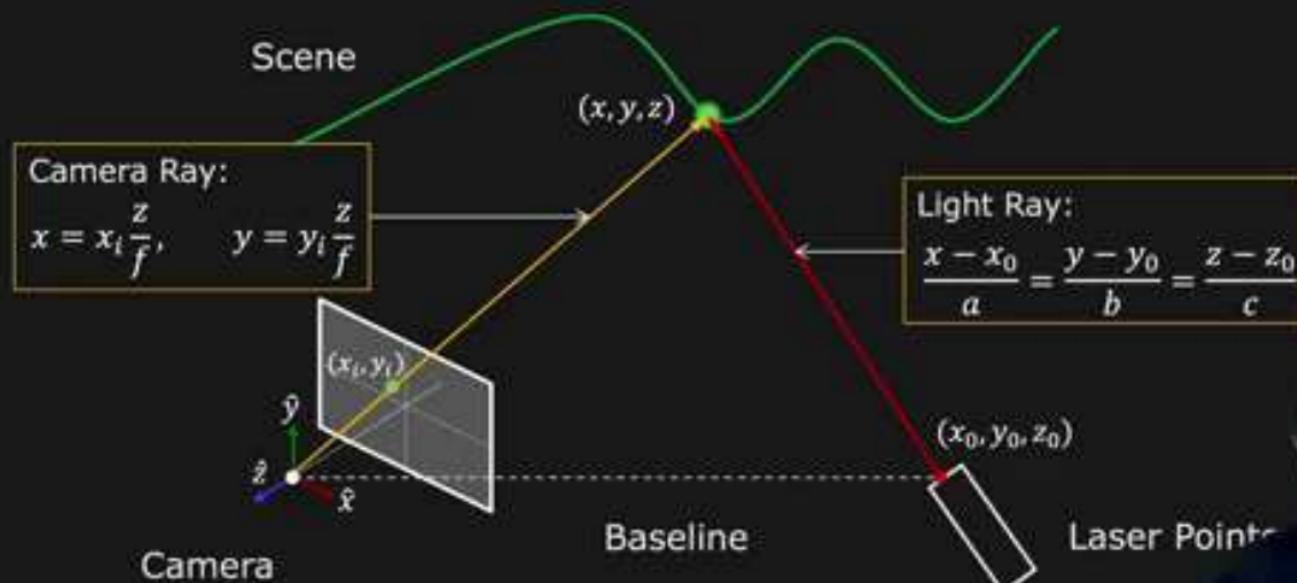
Structured Light Range Finding

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Point Based Range Finding



Scene Point $(x, y, z) = \text{Camera Ray} \cap \text{Light Ray}$



Detecting the Illuminated Point



Background Image (I_B)



Captured Image with
Pointer (I_P)



$(I_P - I_B)$



How Many Images?



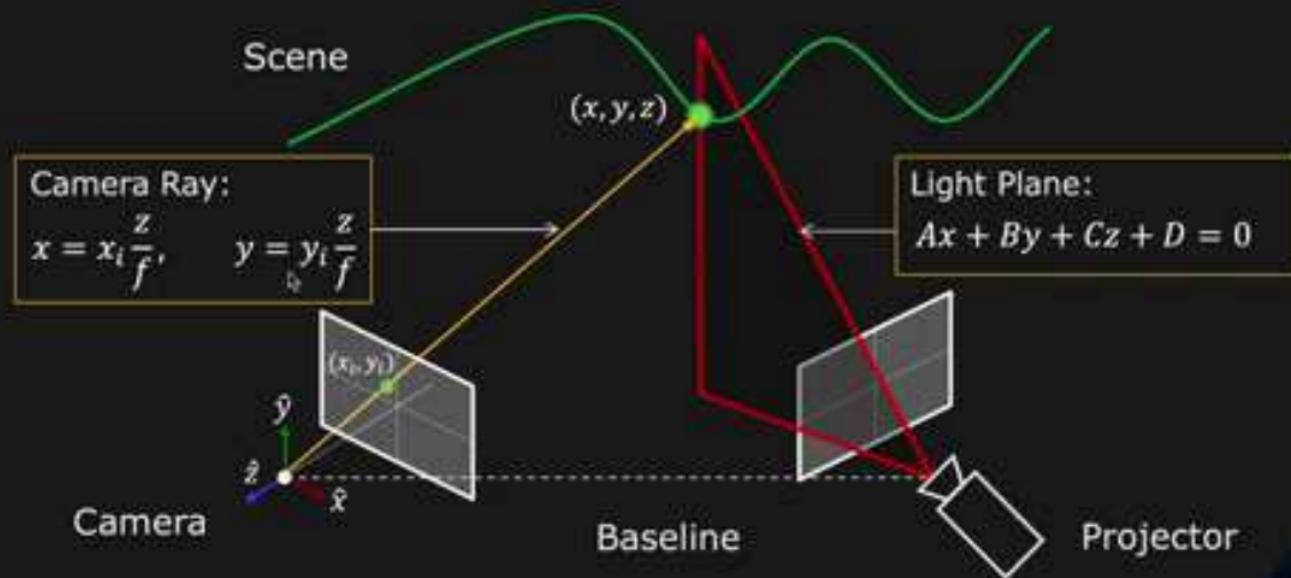
One image per pixel

For 640x480 image: >300,000 images!

At 30 frames per second (fps): ~3 hours!



Light Stripe Based Range Finding

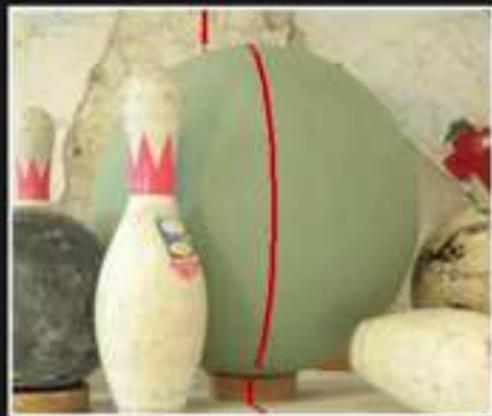


Scene Point $(x, y, z) = \text{Camera Ray} \cap \text{Light Plane}$

$$z = \frac{-Df}{Ax_i + By_i + Cf}$$



How Many Images?



What camera sees



What projector "sees"

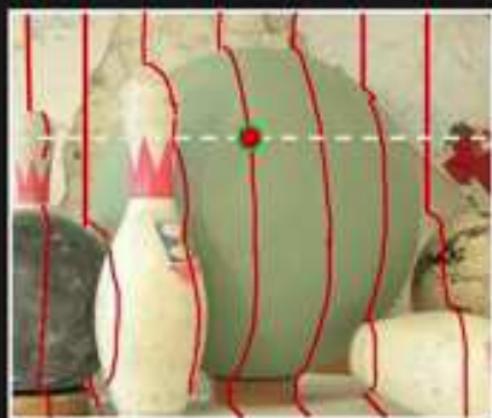
One image per column

For 640x480 image: still 640 images!

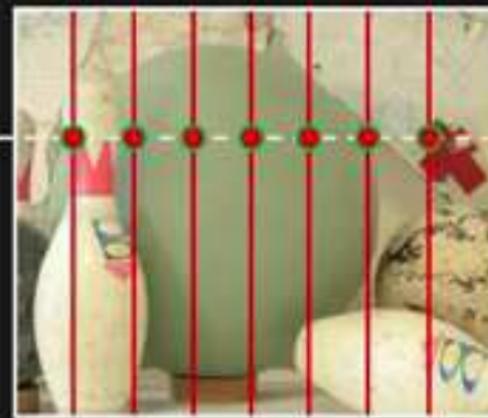
At 30 fps: ~21s



Can we do Multiple Stripes at Once?



What camera sees



What projector "sees"

Ambiguous!



Binary Coded Structured Light

	Bit 1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
	Bit 2	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
	Bit 3	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
(Binary)		(001)	(010)	(011)	(100)	(101)	(110)	(111)
Stripe Numbers		1	2	3	4	5	6	7



[Posdamer 1981]

Binary Coded Structured Light

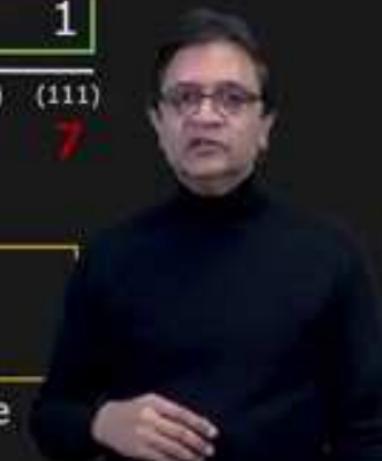
	Image	Projection Pattern					
1	Bit 1	0	0	0	1	1	1
2	Bit 2	0	1	1	0	0	1
3	Bit 3	1	0	1	0	1	0
	(Binary) Stripe Numbers	(001)	(010)	(011)	(100)	(101)	(110)
		1	2	3	4	5	6
							7

7 stripes in 3 images!

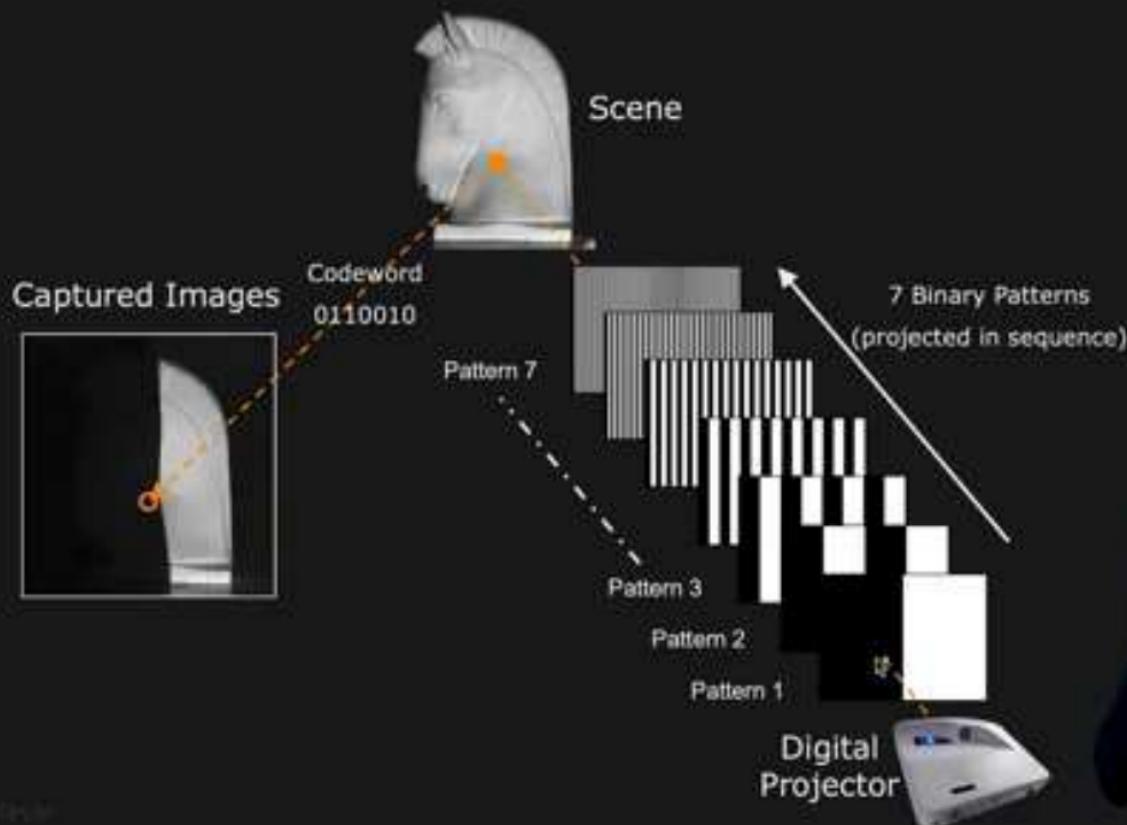
In general, we can do
 $2^n - 1$ stripes in n Images

Note: (000) is not an option. Hence, the

[Posdamer 1981]



Binary Coded Structured Light: Example



Binary Coded Structured Light: Example



Captured Images



3D Reconstruction



Gray Coding to Reduce Errors

Image	Projection Pattern						
1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
2	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
3	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Stripe Number (in binary)	(001)	(010)	(011)	(100)	(101)	(110)	(111)
Stripe Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Gray Code	(001)	(011)	(010)	(110)	(111)	(101)	(100)

We can have a maximum of 6 errors!

[Inokuchi 1984]

k-ary Methods

Coding	Base	Values
Binary	2	0, 1 (Off, On)
Ternary	3	0, 1, 2 (R, G, B), (Off, ½On, On)
k-ary	k	0, 1, 2, ..., k-1



Color Coding with R, G, B

	R	R	G	G	G	B	B
	G	B	R	G	B	R	G
(Ternary) Stripe Numbers	(01)	(02)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(20)	(21)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7



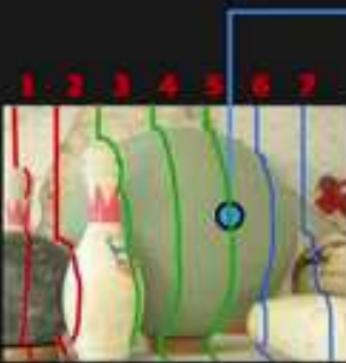
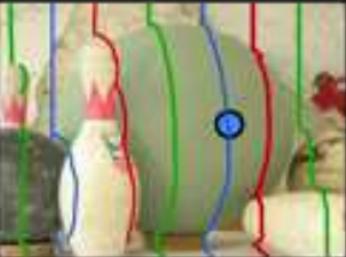
Color Coding with R, G, B

Image 1	Projection Pattern	(Ternary) Stripe Numbers																				
		(01)	(02)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(20)	(21)														
	<table border="1"><tr><td>R</td><td>R</td><td>G</td><td>G</td><td>G</td><td>B</td><td>B</td></tr><tr><td>G</td><td>B</td><td>R</td><td>G</td><td>B</td><td>R</td><td>G</td></tr></table>	R	R	G	G	G	B	B	G	B	R	G	B	R	G	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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[Caspi 1998]

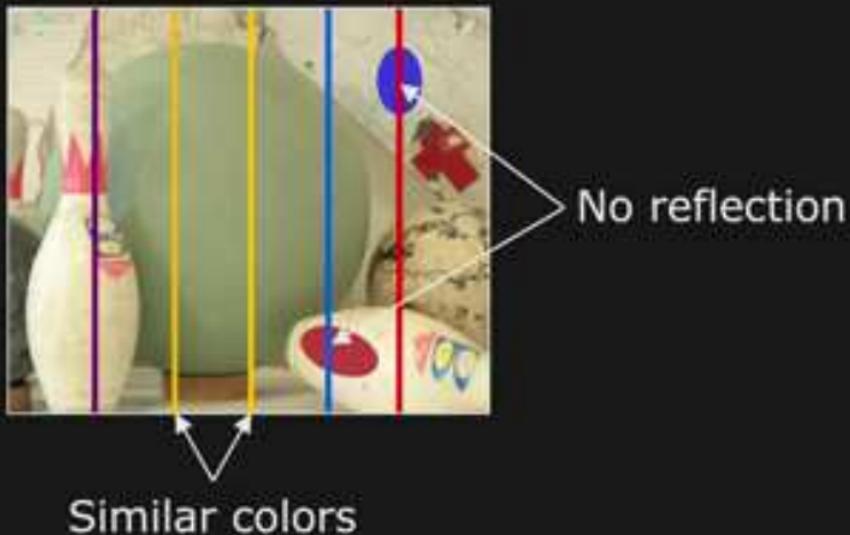
Color Coding with R, G, B

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2		G	B	R	G	B	R	G
	(Ternary) Stripe Numbers	(01)	(02)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(20)	(21)
1		1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Only 2 images needed!

With k levels, we get k^n stripes in n images. When one of the levels is 0 (OFF), we get $k^n - 1$ stripes.

Color Structured Light: Remarks



- Similar colors hard to distinguish
- Some colors not reflected by some scene point



Phase Shifting Method

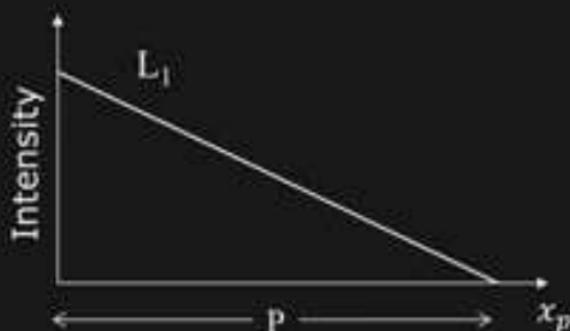
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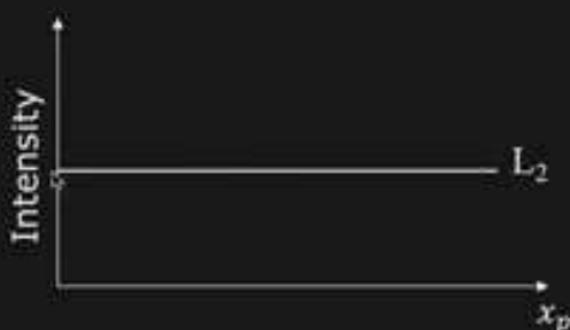
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Intensity Ratio Method

Projection Pattern



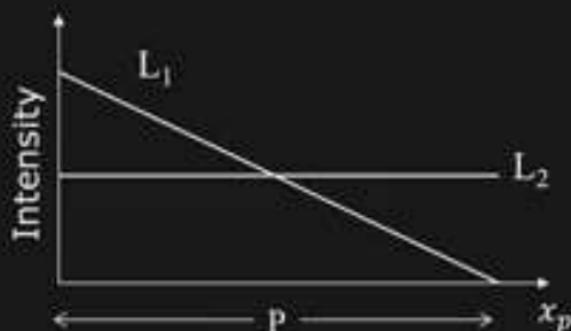
Captured Image



[Carrihill 1985]

Finding Correspondence

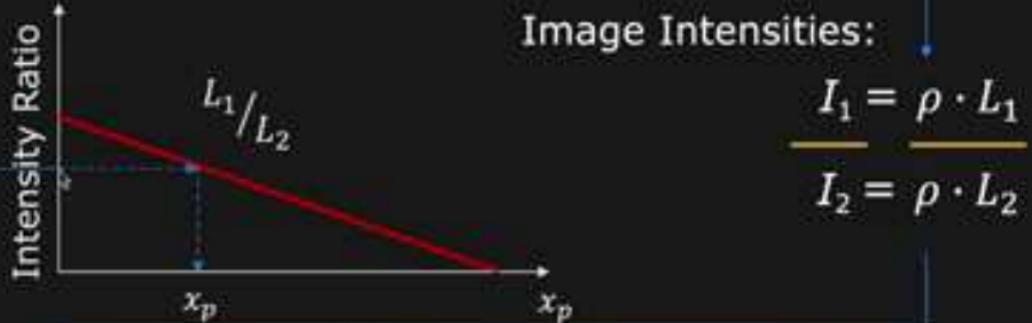
Projection Pattern



Scene



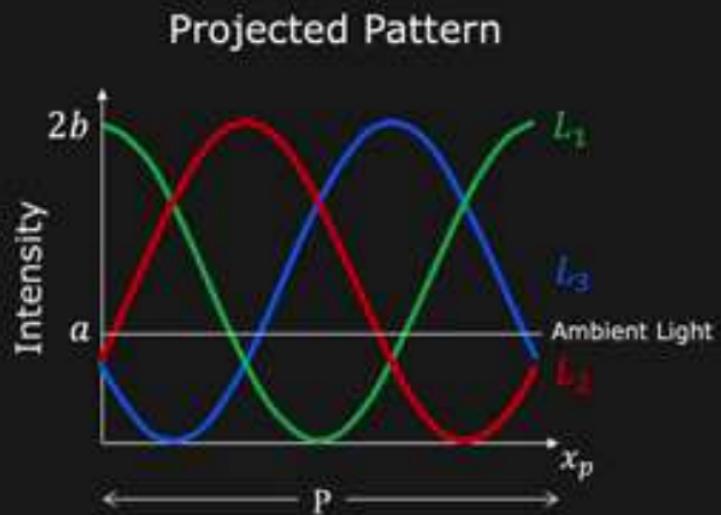
Image Intensities:



$$\frac{I_1}{I_2} = \frac{\rho \cdot L_1}{\rho \cdot L_2}$$



Phase Shift Method

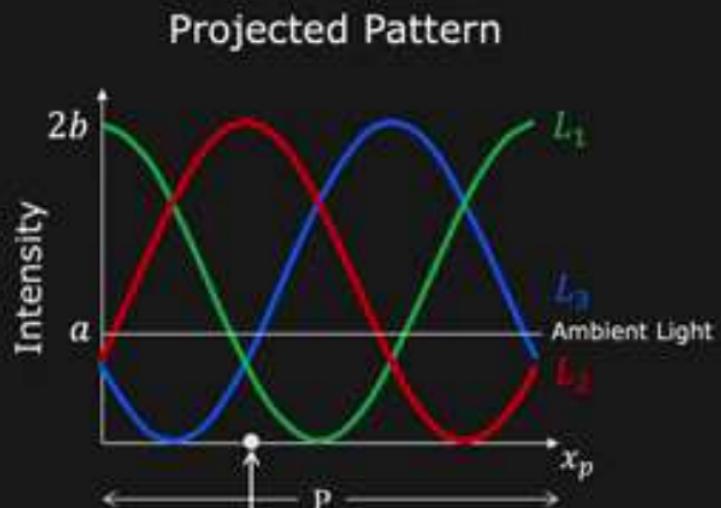


$$L_3(x_p) = a + b + b \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x_p}{P} + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$$

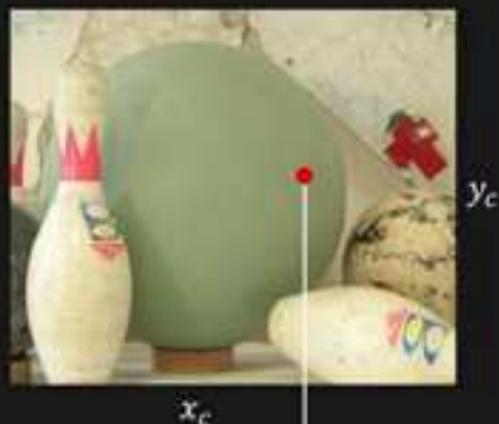
$$I_3(x_c, y_c) = \rho a + \rho b \\ + \rho b \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x_p}{P} + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$$



Finding Correspondence



Captured Image



$$x_p = \frac{P}{2\pi} \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{3} \frac{I_2 - I_3}{2I_1 - I_2 - I_3} \right)$$



Structured Light for Depth Recovery

Method	Number of Images
Point based Structured Light	NM
Line based Structured Light	N
Binary Coded Structured Light	$\lceil \log_2(N + 1) \rceil$
k -ary (Color) Coded Structured Light	$\lceil \log_k(N + 1) \rceil$
Intensity Ratio Method	2
Phase Shifting Method	3



[N, M]: Camera Image Size, k : Number of colors, $\lceil x \rceil$: Smallest integer

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Structured Light Systems

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3D Visual Inspection System



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3D Visual Inspection System



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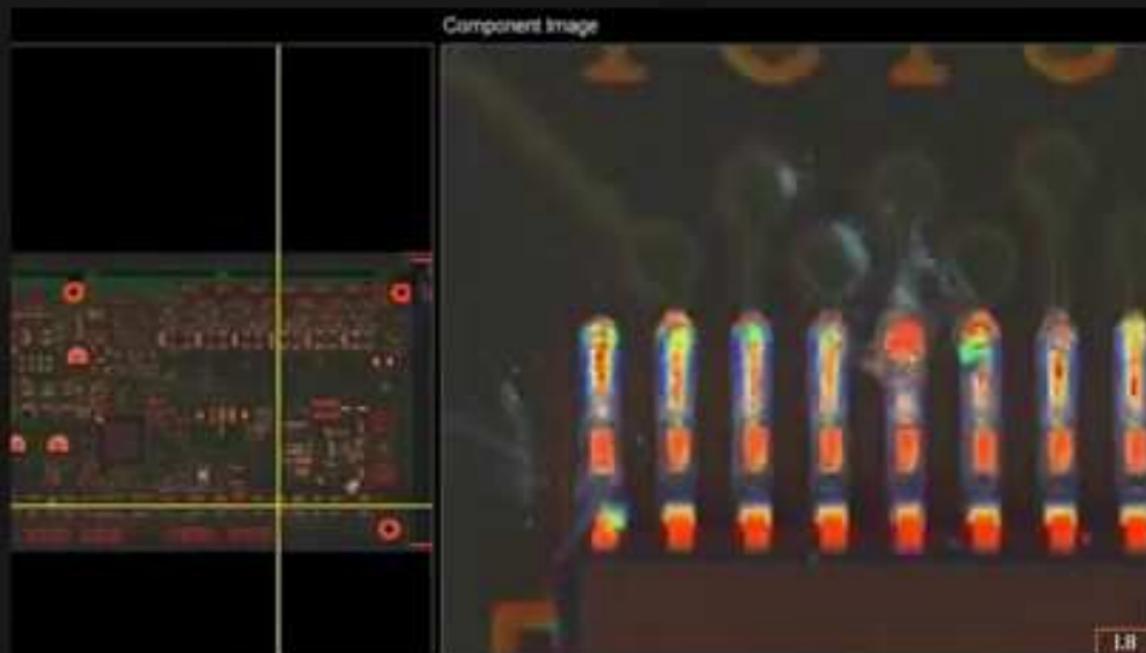
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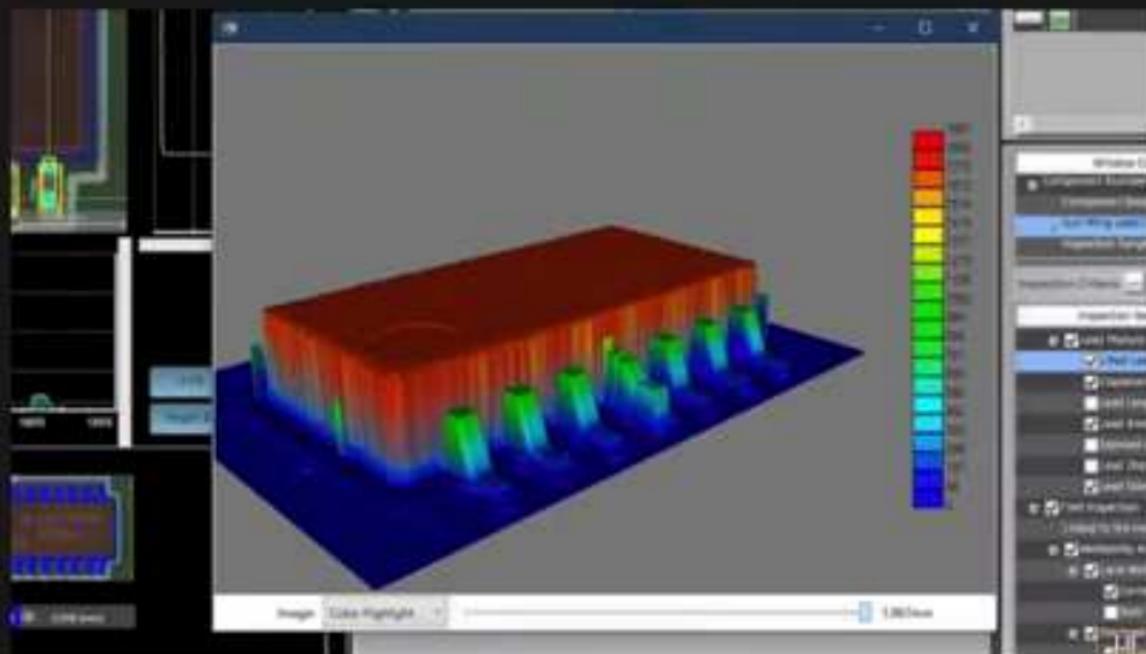
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Digital Michelangelo Project

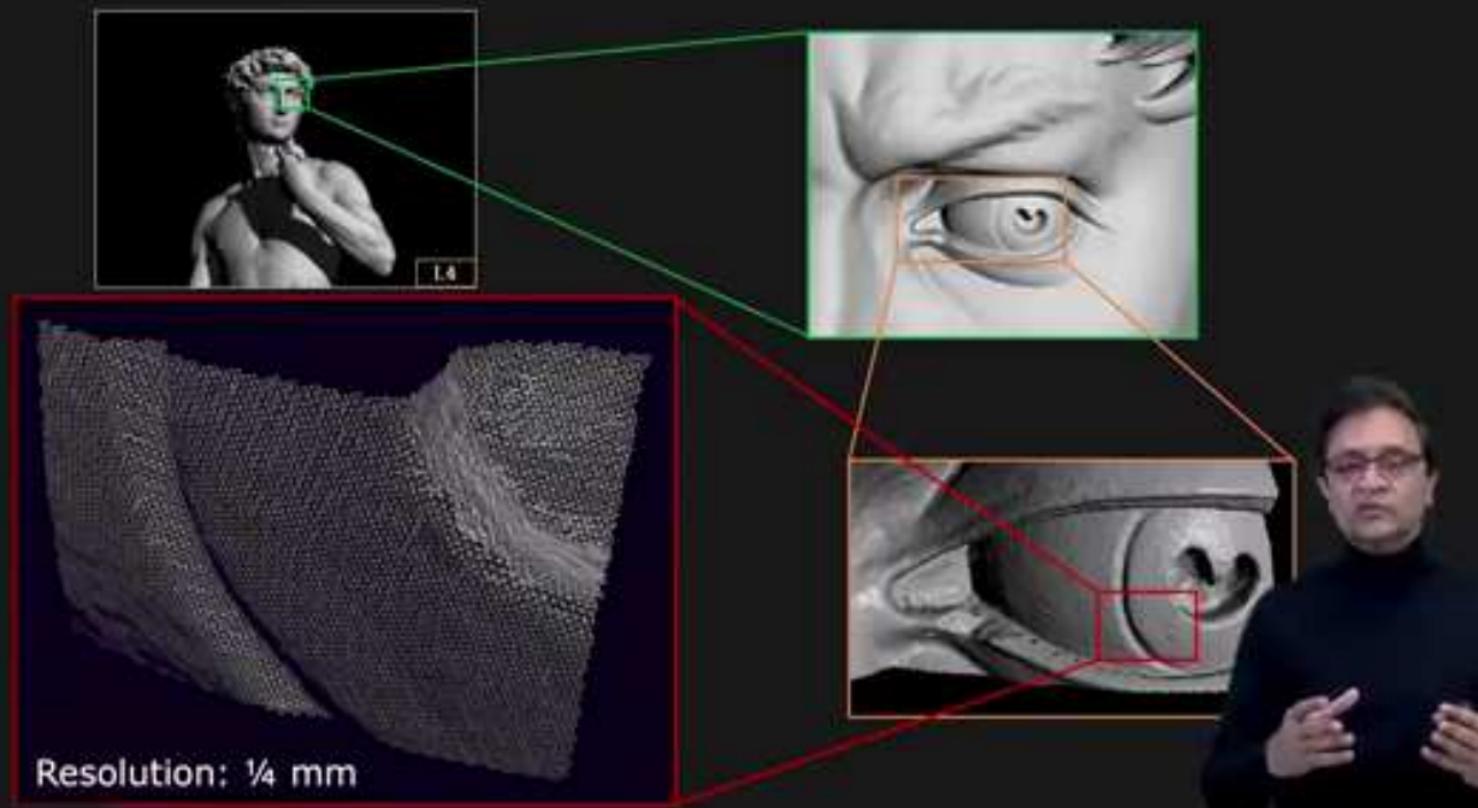


480 individually aimed scans
2 billion polygons
7,000 color images
32 gigabytes of data
30 nights of scanning
22 people

[Levoy 2000]



Virtual "David"



Great Buddha Project



Great Buddha, Nara



Digital Model



[Ikeuchi 2007]

Performance Capture with Light Stage



[Guo 2019]

Performance Capture with Light Stage



[Guo 2019]

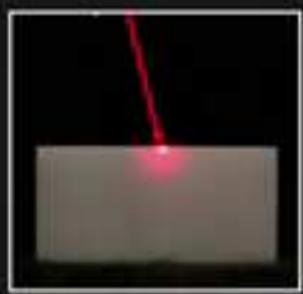
Performance Capture with Light Stage



[Guo 2019]

Unsolved Problems

Optically uncooperative materials



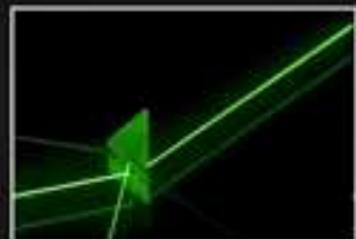
Scattering surface
(marble)



Scattering environment
(underwater)



Specular surface
(mirror-like)



Transparent surface
(glass)



Fuzzy
(hair)



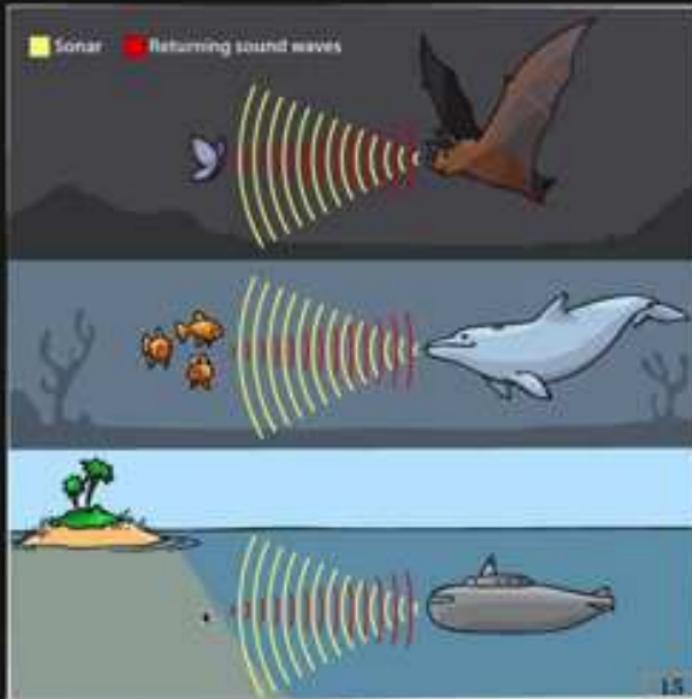
Time of Flight Method

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Time of Flight



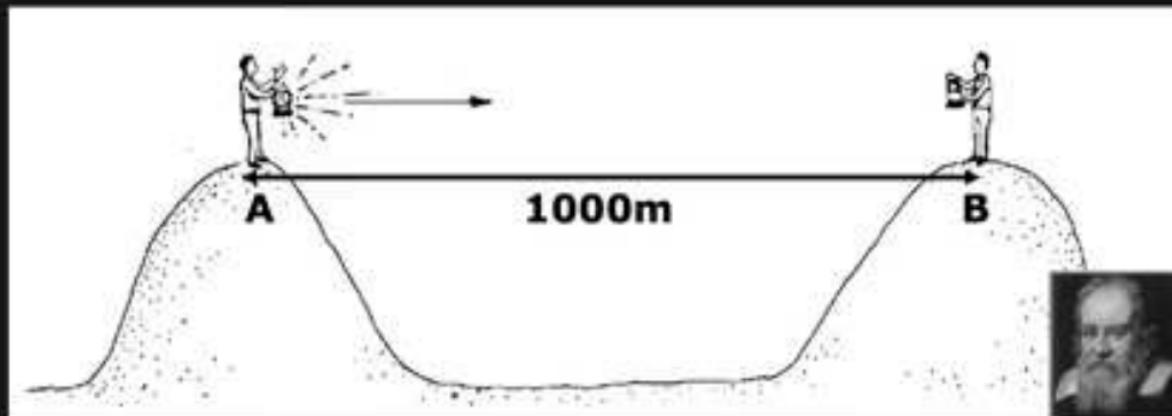
Echolocation

Measuring Time of Flight of Sound Waves



Time of Flight of Light

Does light travel or exist instantaneously?



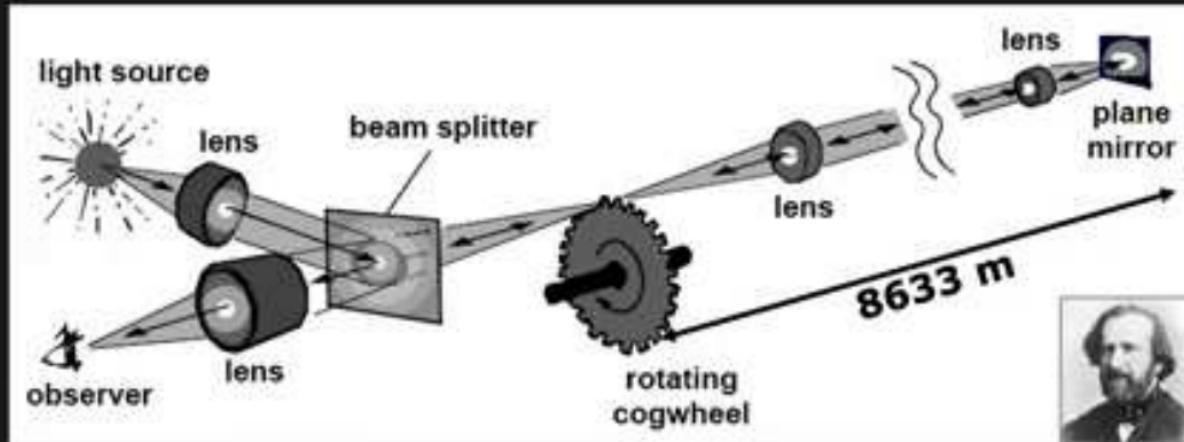
Galileo's experiment (early 1600s)

$$\text{Time for light to travel back and forth: } t_{A \rightarrow B \rightarrow A} = \frac{2000}{3e^8} \cong 6.6 \mu\text{s}$$

Much faster than human reflexes for experiment to have succeeded



Time of Flight of Light

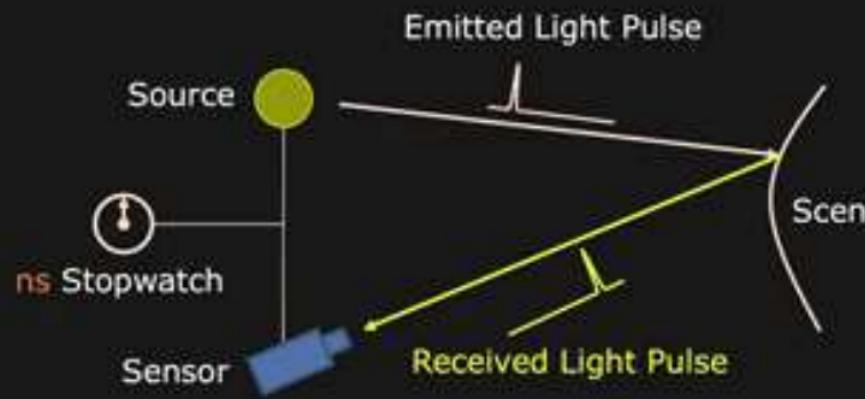


Fizeau's experiment (1849)

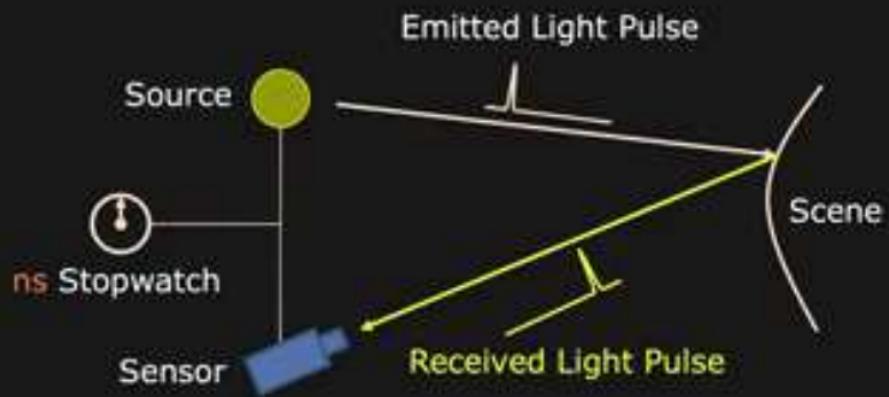
$$c_{\text{computed}} = 3.153 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$c_{\text{actual}} = 2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

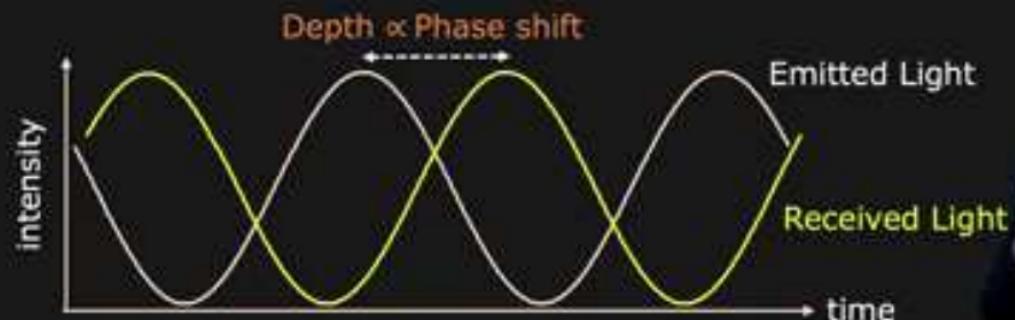
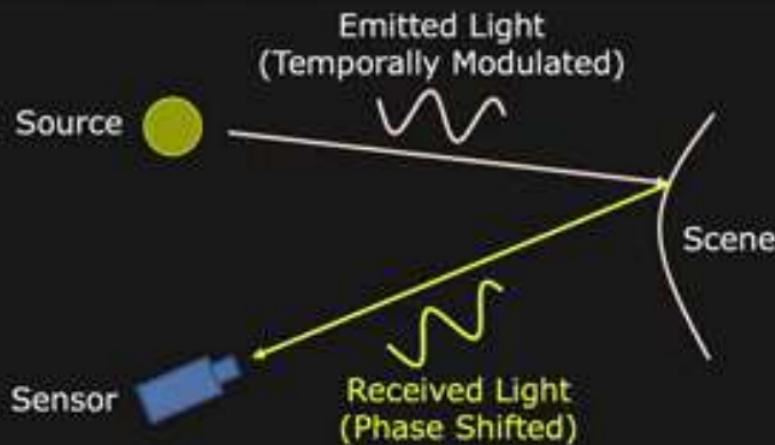
Time of Flight: Pulse Modulation



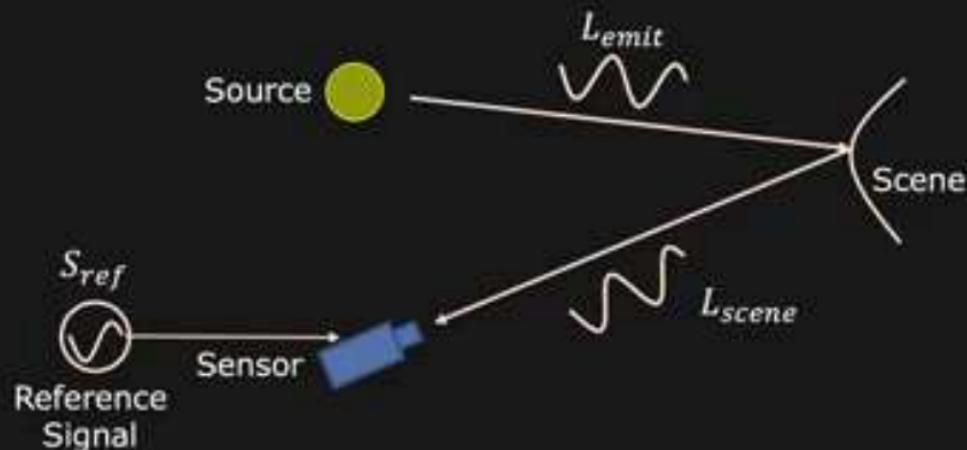
Time of Flight: Pulse Modulation



Time of Flight: Continuous Modulation



Phase Measurement By Correlation



$$\text{Emitted Light: } L_{emit} = \cos(\omega t)$$

$$\text{Received Light: } L_{scene} = O + A \cos(\omega t - \varphi)$$

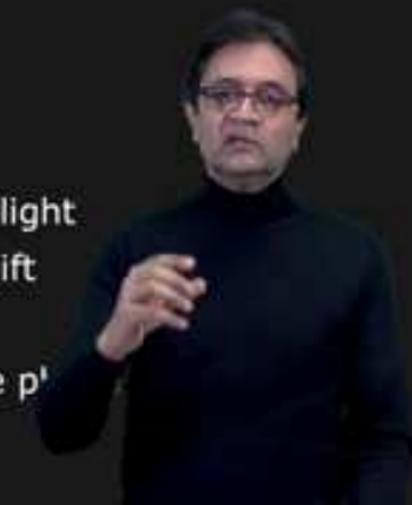
$$\text{Reference Signal: } S_{ref} = \cos(\omega t - \delta)$$

O : ambient light

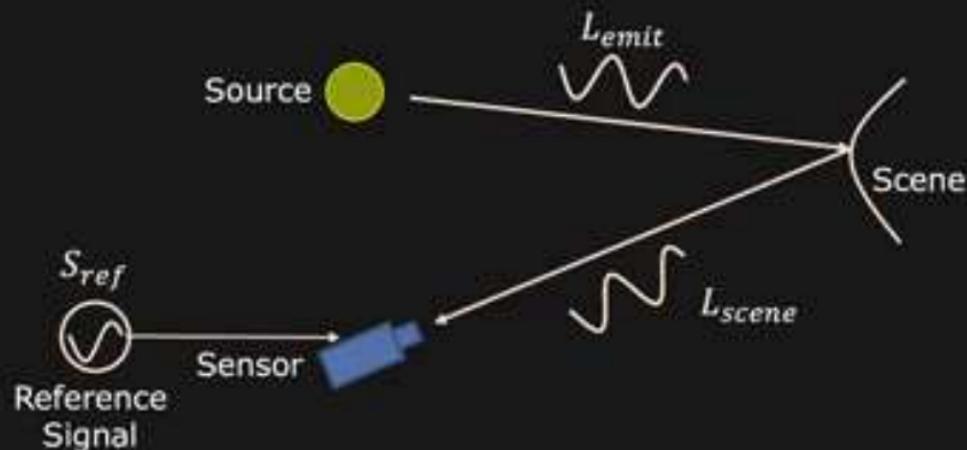
φ : phase shift

A : albedo

δ : reference phasor



Phase Measurement By Correlation



Measured Intensity: $I(\delta_i) = \int L_{scene}(t) \times S_{ref}(t, \delta_i) dt$

Simplifying: $I(\delta_i) = P + Q \cos(\delta_i - \varphi)$



Computing Depth From Phase

$$I(\delta_i) = P + Q \cos(\delta_i - \varphi)$$

Three measurements $I(\delta_1), I(\delta_2), I(\delta_3)$ are sufficient for computing phase φ .

Depth of scene point:

$$d = c \frac{\varphi}{4\pi f}$$

c : speed of light

φ : phase shift

$f = \omega/2\pi$: modulation frequency

Example: If $\varphi = \pi, f = 30MHz$, then $d = 2.5m$.



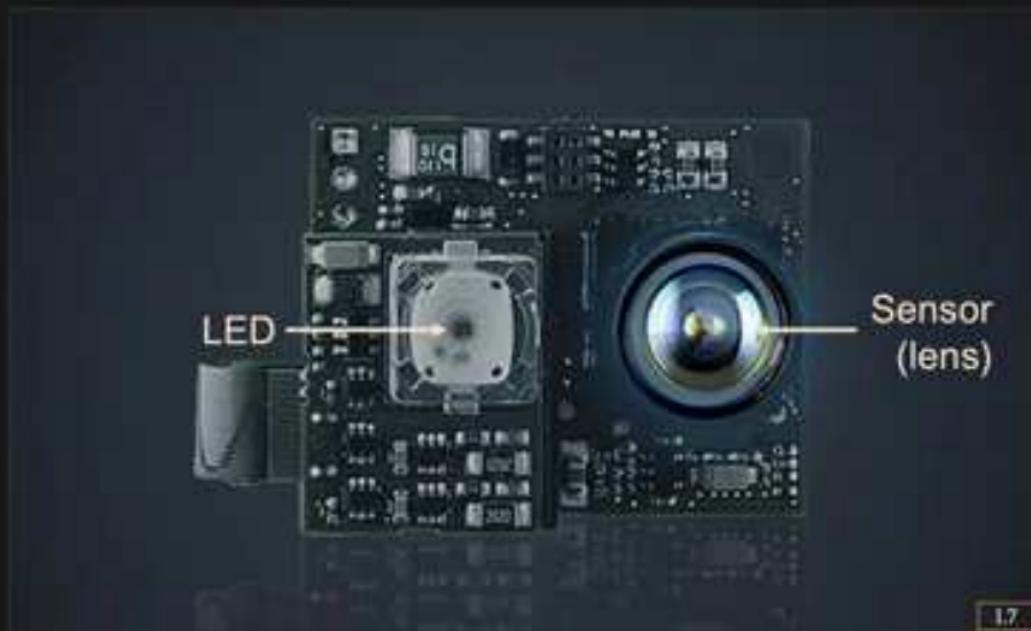
Time-of-Flight Result: Example



Google Self-Driving Car Project



Time of Flight: 3D Camera



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PMD Technologies

