

# Introduction to Computer Vision



## Taught by

- prof. Luc Van Gool
- Prof. Ender Konukoglu
  
- Guest starring by prof Orçun Göksel

The course comes with a course text that covers most – but not all ! – material.

Slide decks for all lectures will be made available on eDoz or similar

We got questions about which course to take

*Computer Vision* (D-INFK), or  
*Image Analysis and Computer vision* (this course)

***IN ANY CASE, DO NOT TAKE BOTH !***

If you took the introductory course on CV at D-INFK,  
then best take *Computer Vision*

If you did not take that course,  
then best take *Image Analysis and Computer Vision*

... it is crucial ...

## Vision is important

- ❑ half our brain is devoted to it
- ❑ developed many times during evolution
- ❑ it is non-contact
- ❑ it can be implemented with high resolution
- ❑ works with ambient E-M waves
- ❑ yields colour, texture, depth, motion, shape



The central take-home message:

**For people vision is their most  
crucial sense, for good reason**

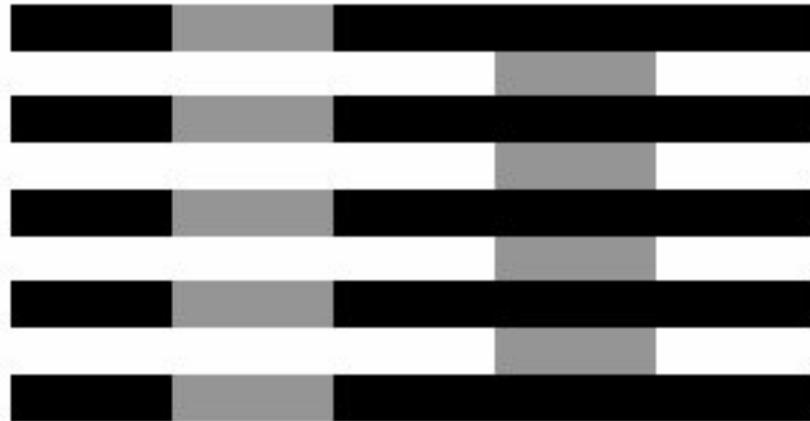


... it is intriguing ...

# The perception of intensity

## INTRO

**perception**  
applications  
light

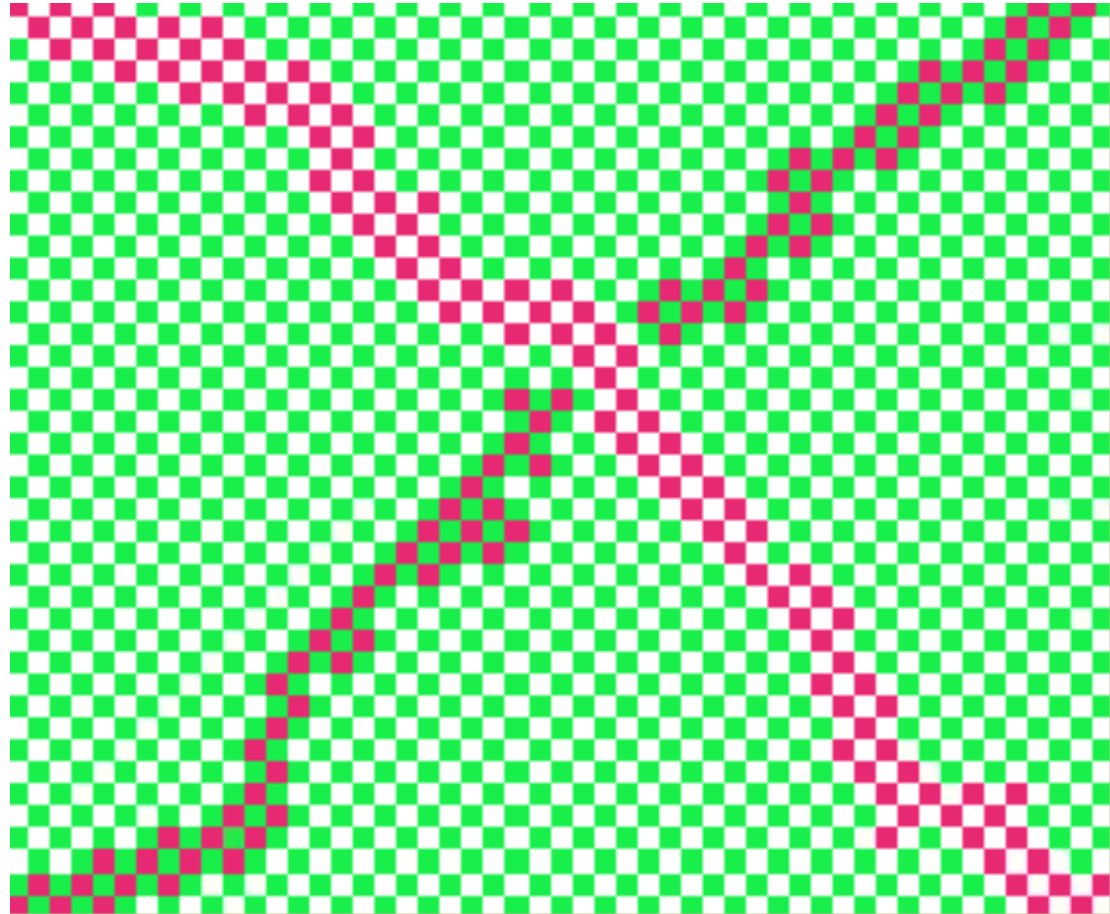




## The perception of color

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

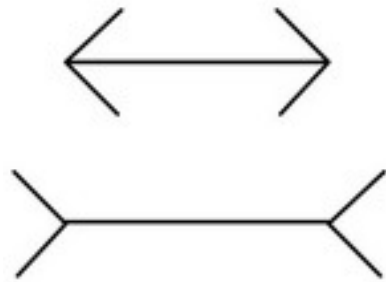


The red squares have equal color...

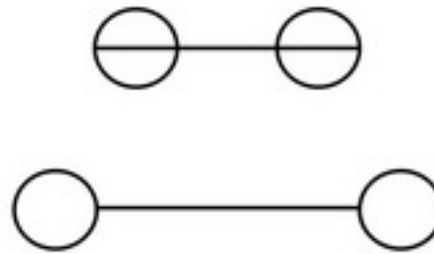
# The perception of length

## INTRO

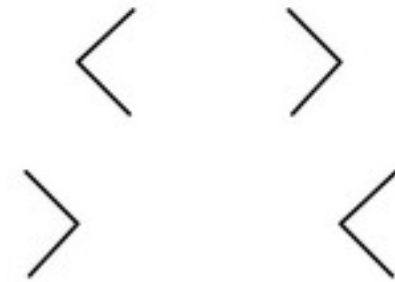
perception  
applications  
light



A



B

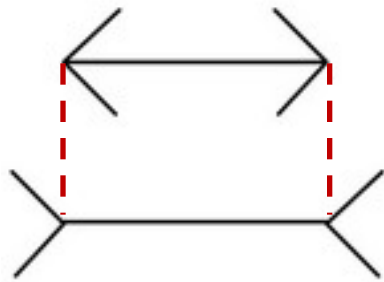


C

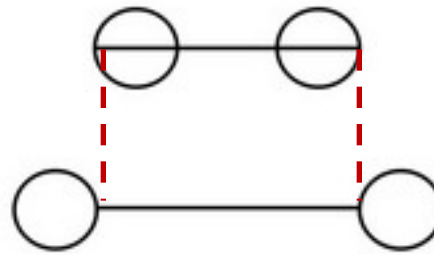
# The perception of length

## INTRO

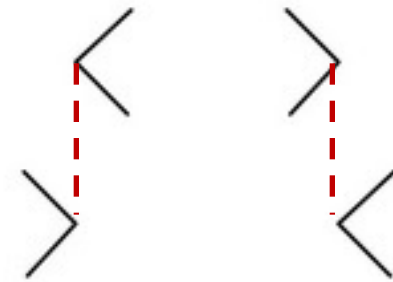
perception  
applications  
light



A



B



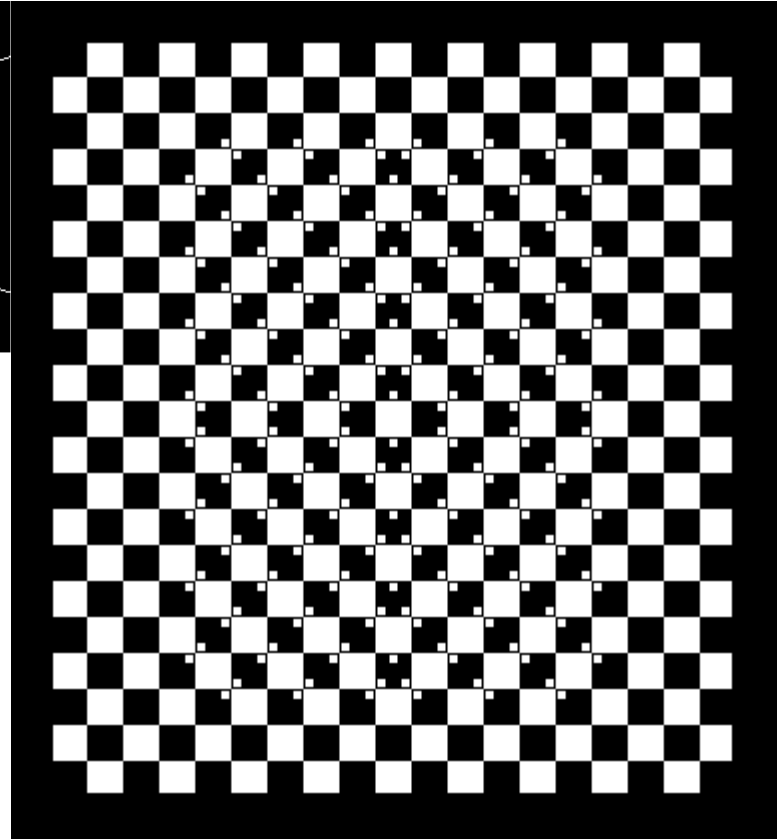
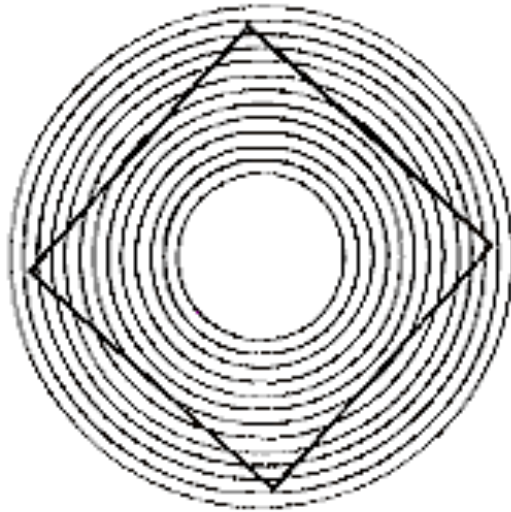
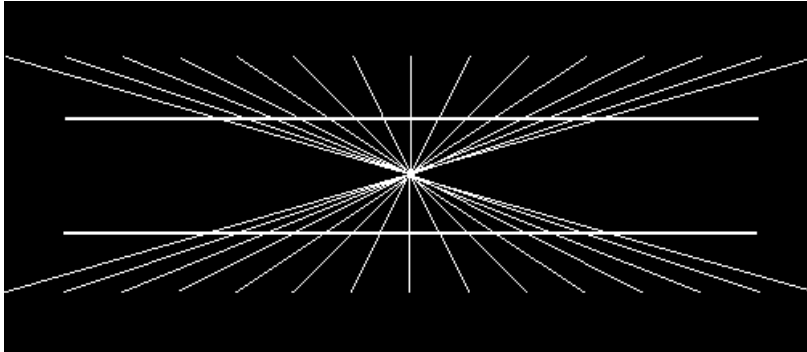
C

The horizontal lines are equally long...

# The perception of lines being straight

## INTRO

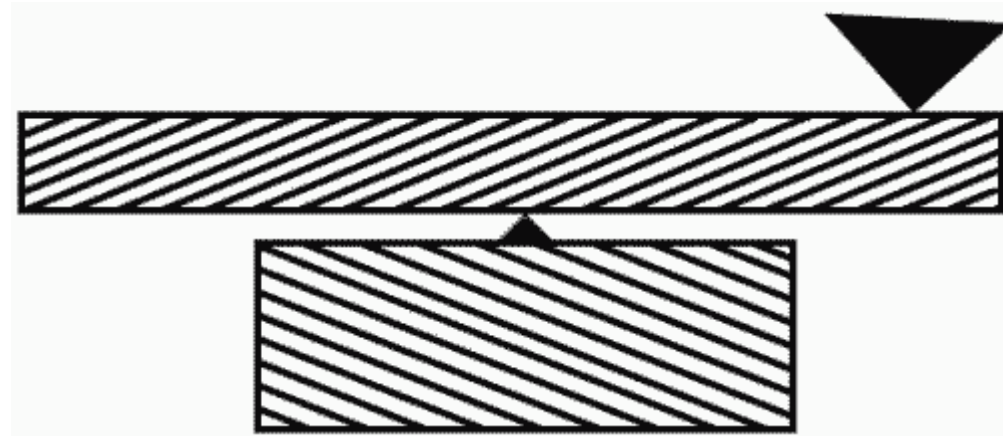
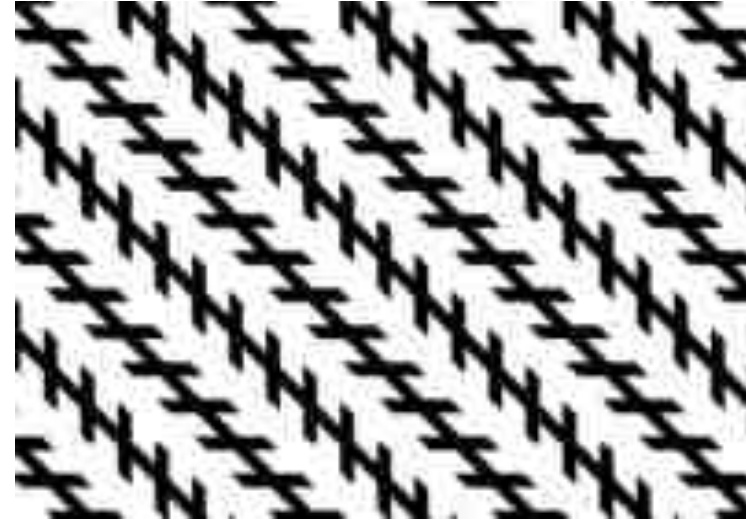
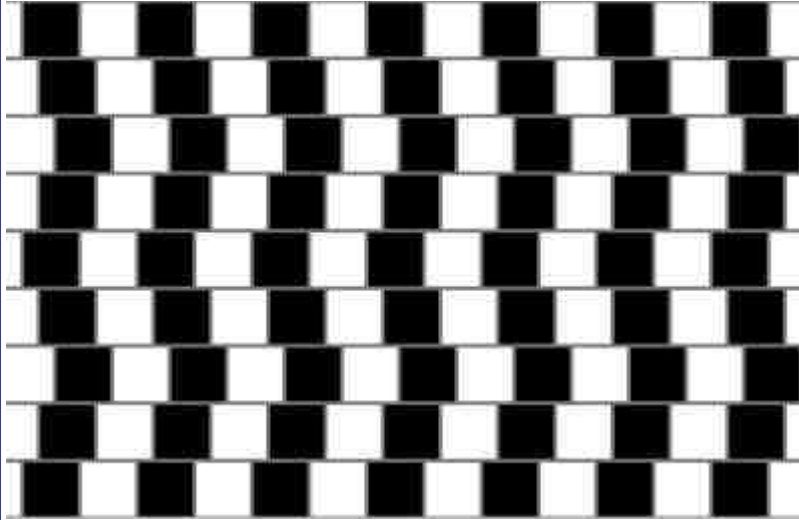
perception  
applications  
light



# The perception of parallelism

INTRO

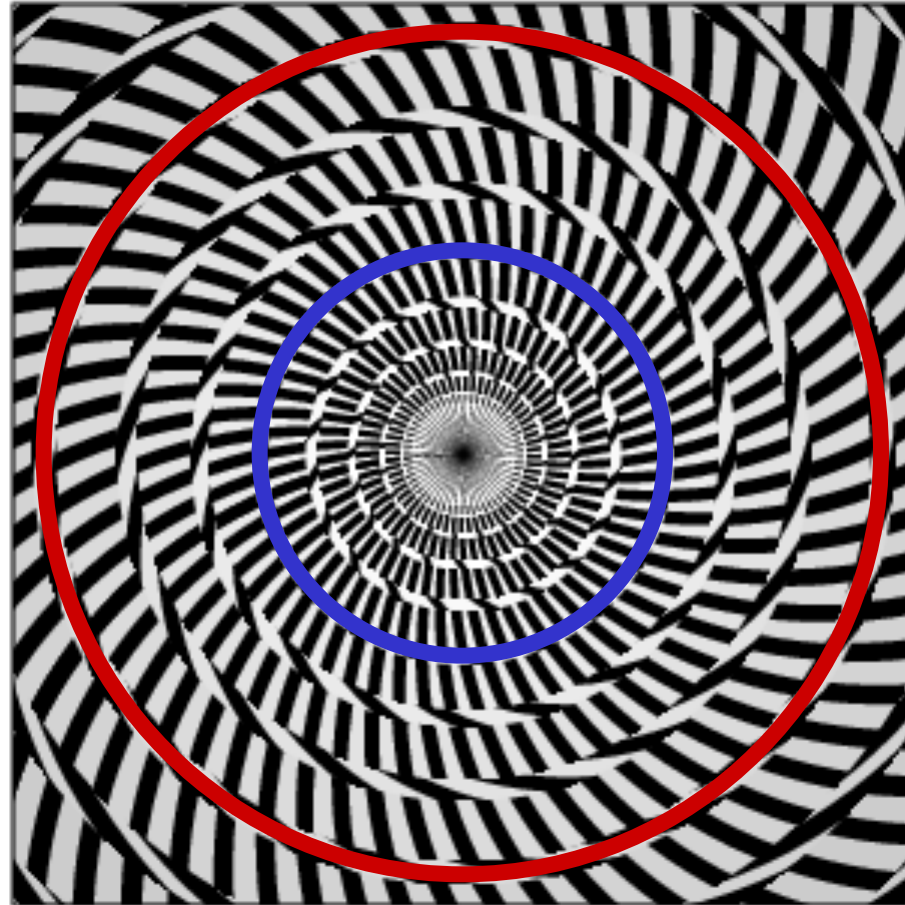
perception  
applications  
light



## The perception of curvatures

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



Illusions : interference of differently oriented  
patterns via adaptation



## The perception of motion

### INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



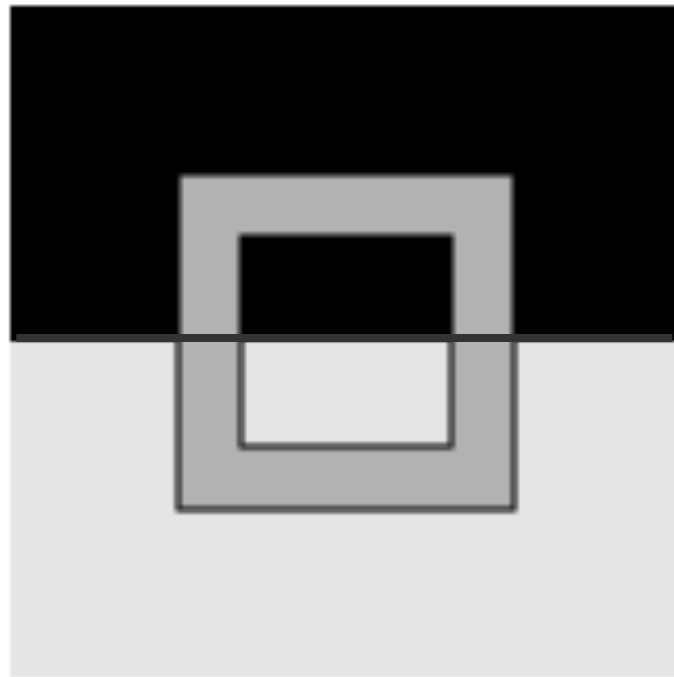
The `barber pole' rotates about the vertical,  
it does not translate vertically...

It's not that more context solves it all...

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

there is literally more than meets the eye,  
i.c. a lot of massively parallel processing

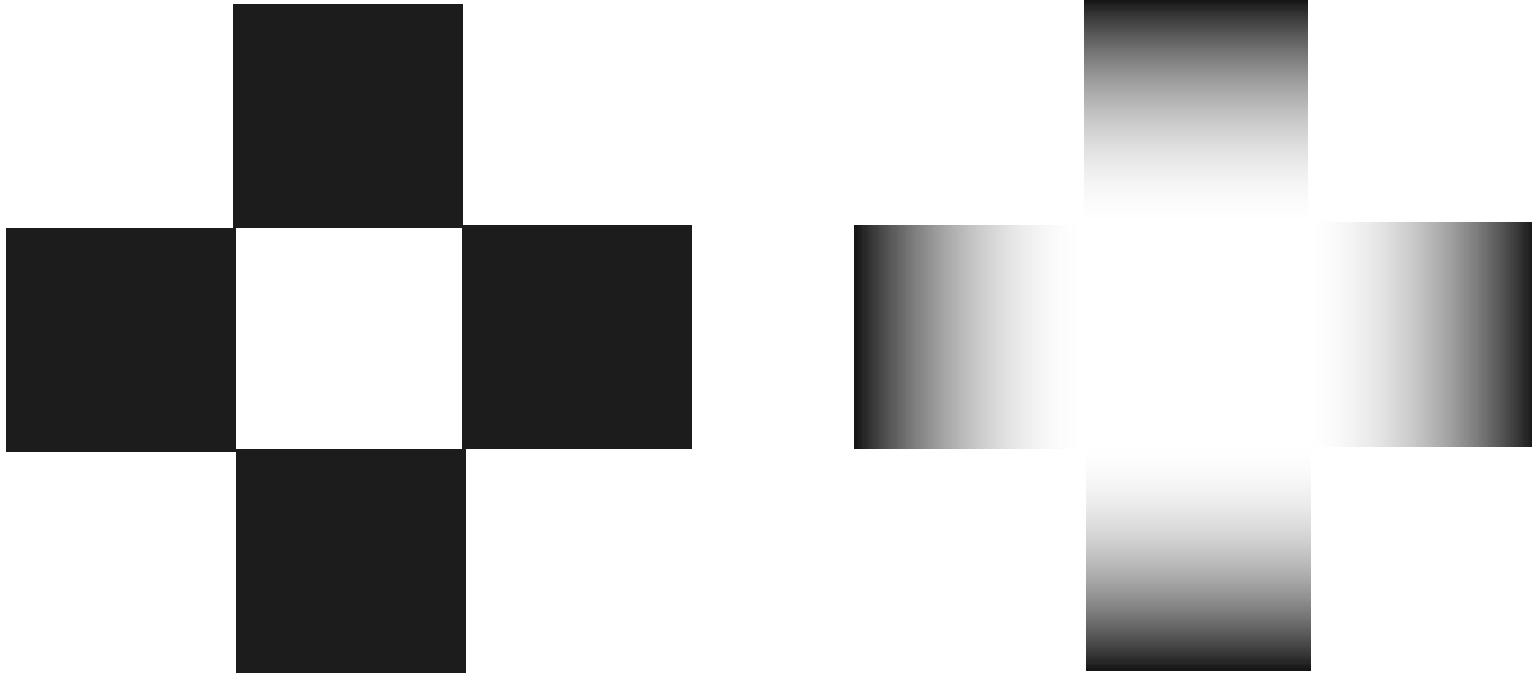




# The perception of intensity

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



# Computer Vision

INTRO

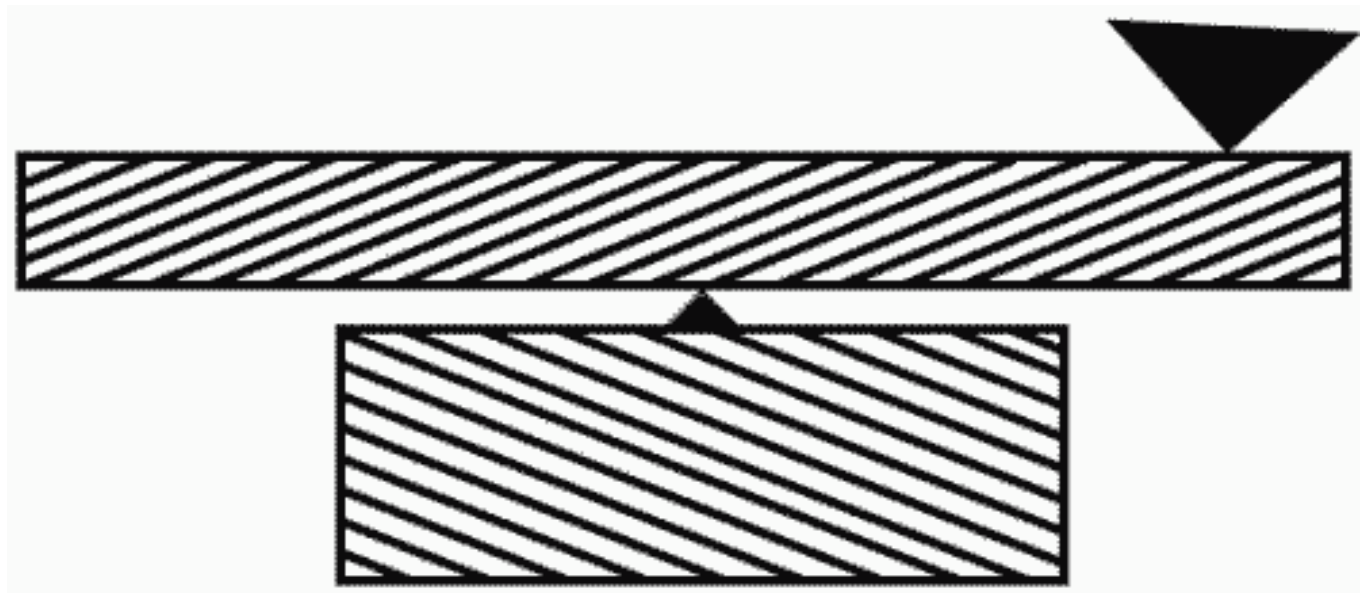
**perception**  
applications  
light



# Parallelism again...

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



# Kanisza illusion

READ



Fill-in : averaging of perceived contrast at edges over regions possibly obtained via extrapolation of the edges... in any case *such illusion seems to help people to detect patterns in the world.*



# Computer Vision

## INTRO

**perception**  
applications  
light

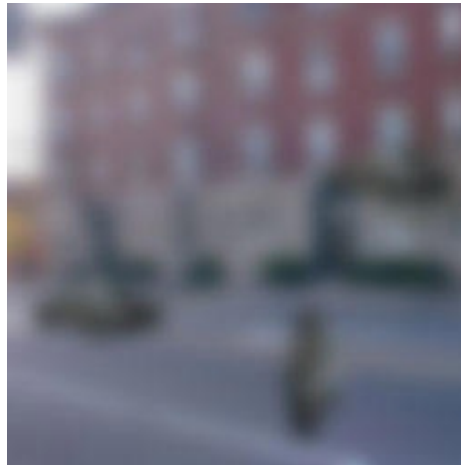
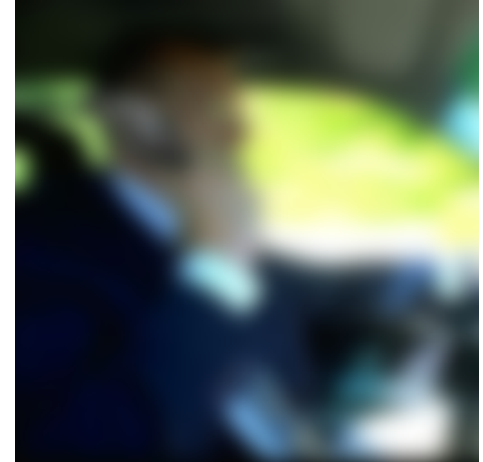
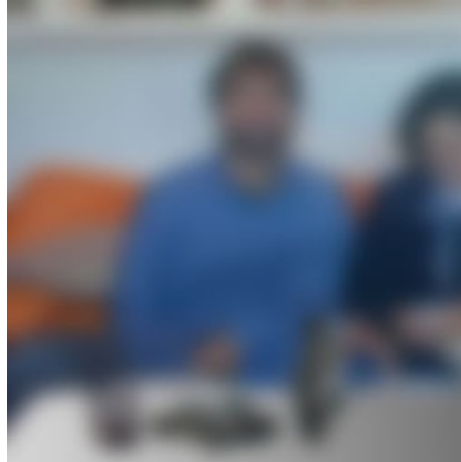


# The role of context

INTRO

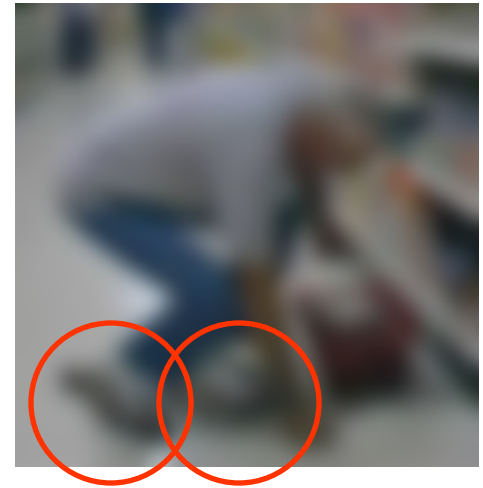
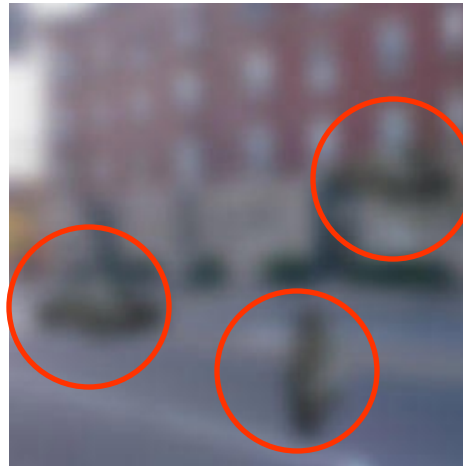
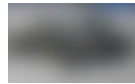
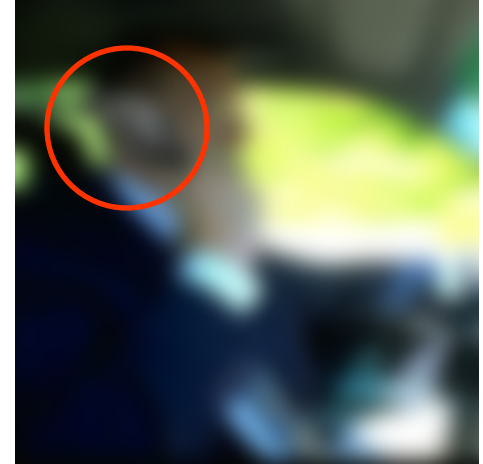
perception  
applications  
light

Human vision:  
Biederman, Bar &  
Ullman, Palmer,  
...



# The role of context

All encircled  
patterns  
are identical:



# The role of context

INTRO

**perception**  
applications  
light

Person?





# The role of context

## INTRO

**perception**  
applications  
light

Person?



# The role of context

## INTRO

**perception**  
applications  
light

Person?



# The role of context

## INTRO

**perception**  
applications  
light

Person?



# The role of context

human vision is much more than a bottom-up process of subsequent signal processing steps.



Car?

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

The central take-home message:

**Effective vision needs more than  
sheer filtering and measuring**



# Computer Vision

INTRO

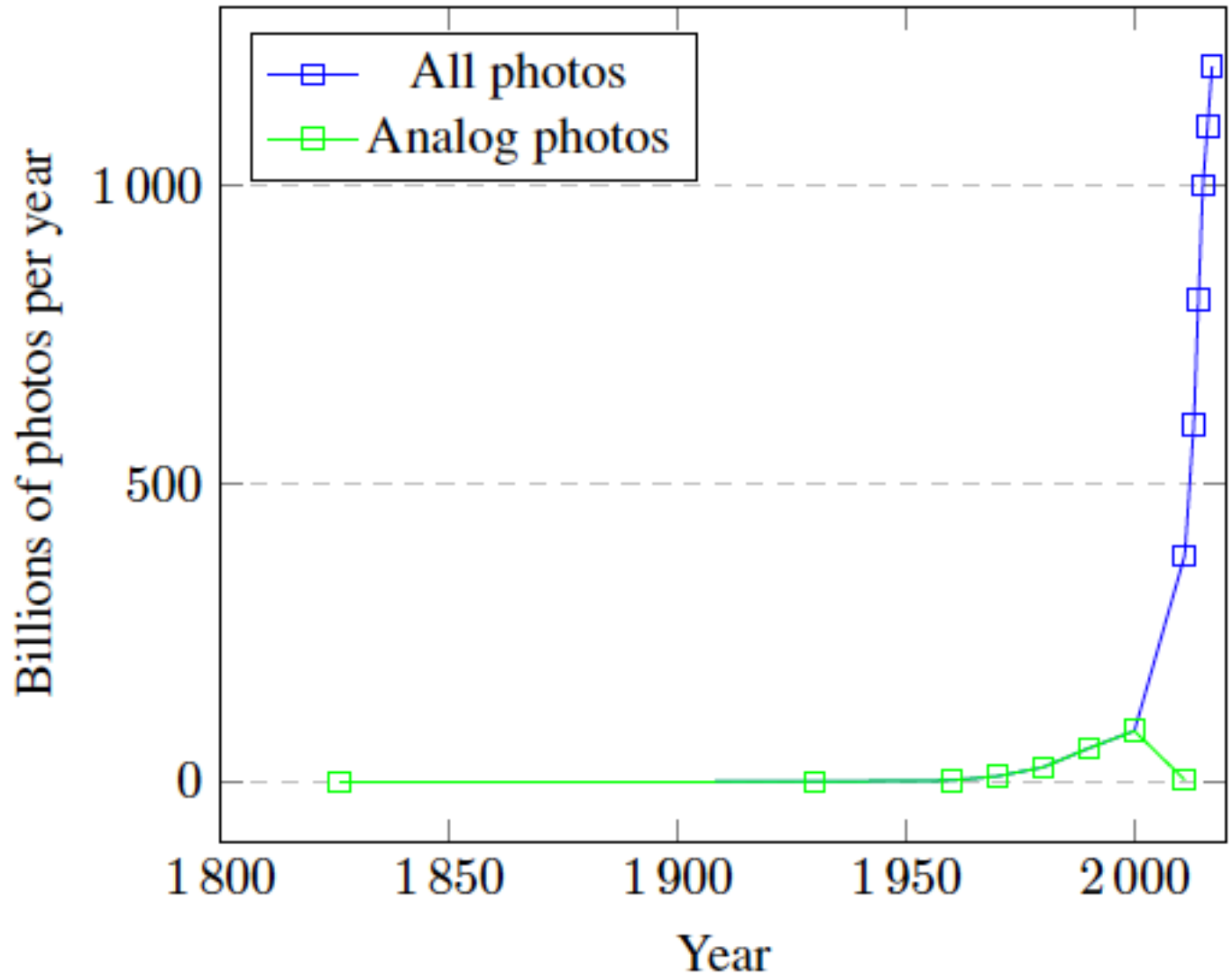
perception  
**applications**  
light

... it is hot ...

# The explosion of photography

INTRO

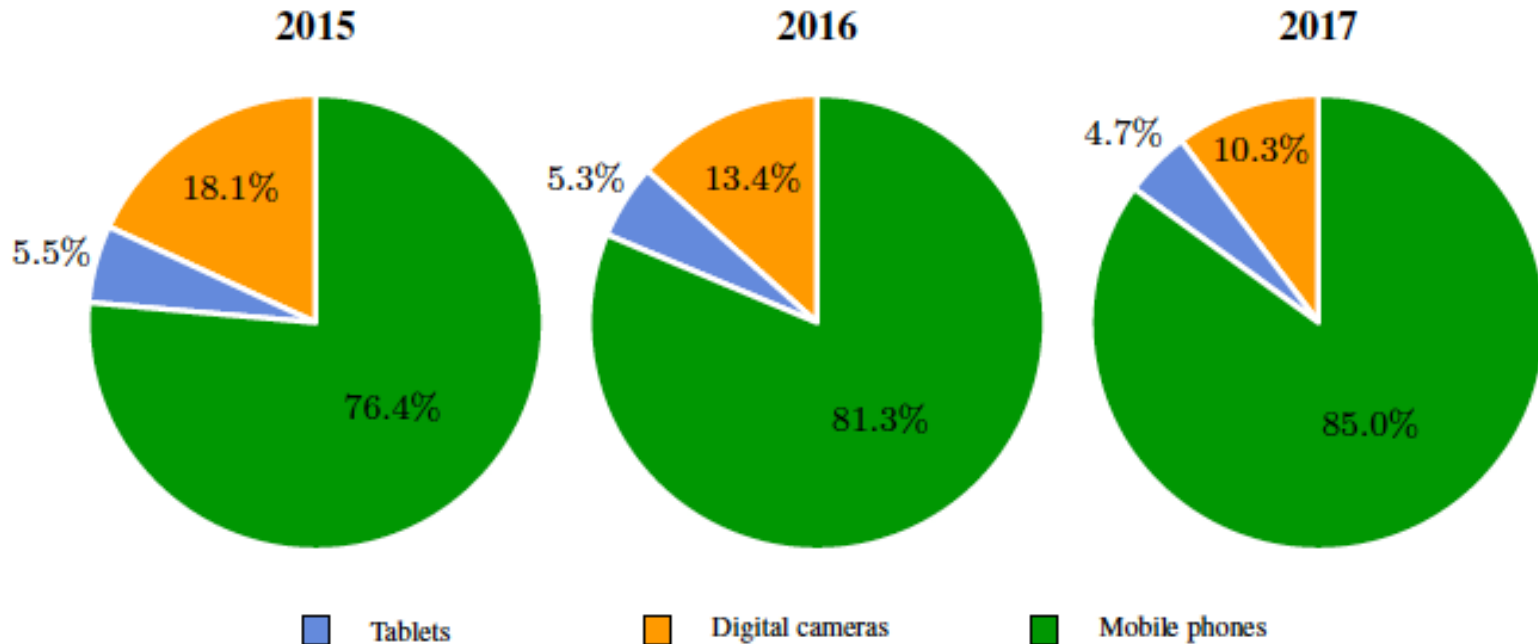
perception  
applications  
light



# The explosion of photography

## INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



Easier than ever to take a photo

The cost is extremely low (cheap memory)

Most people carry a camera most of the time



## The development of computer vision apps

Most early applications were found in production environments, as these *allow for controlled conditions* and *have little uncertainty*

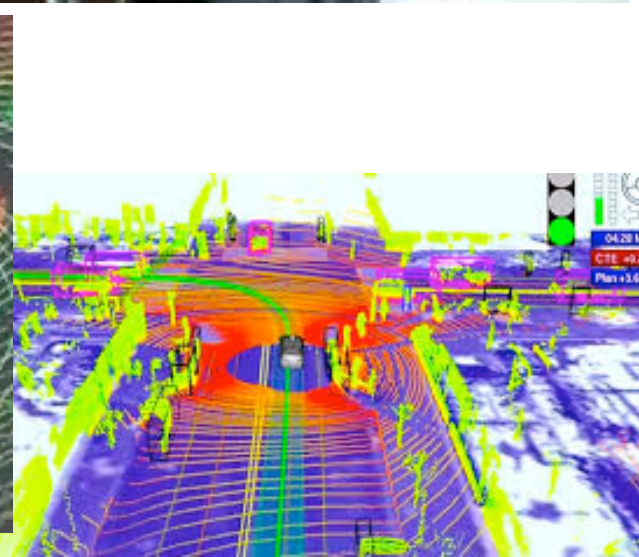
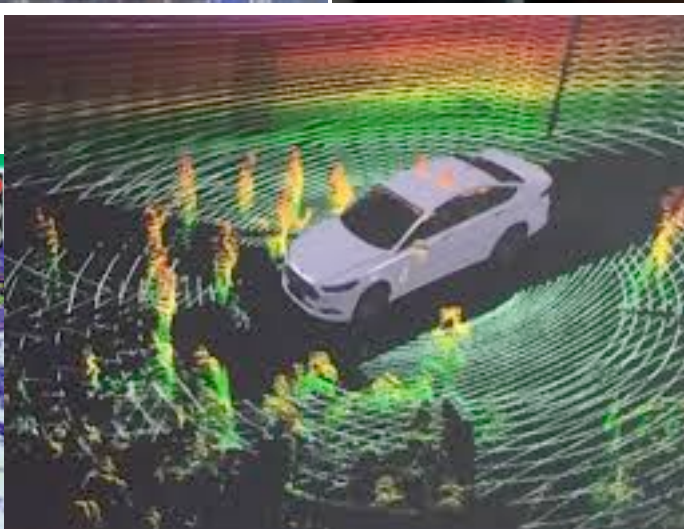
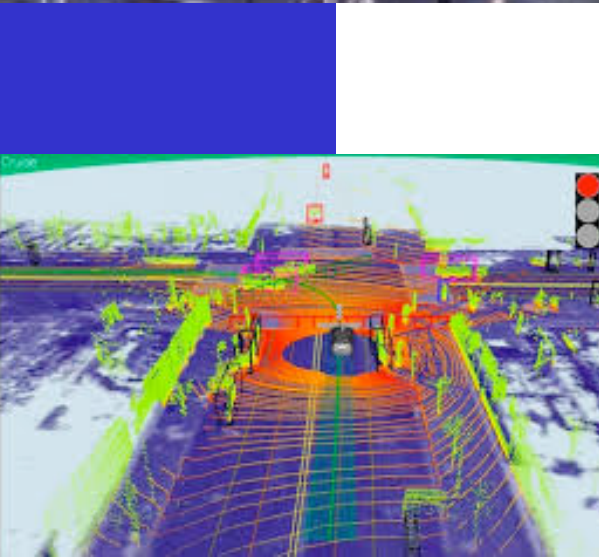
some areas do not allow for much control:  
medical IP, remote sensing, surveillance, etc.

currently CV is *conquering the less controllable areas* by storm



# Computer Vision

## Ex App: autonomous vehicles



# Ex App: autonomous vehicles

car detection:



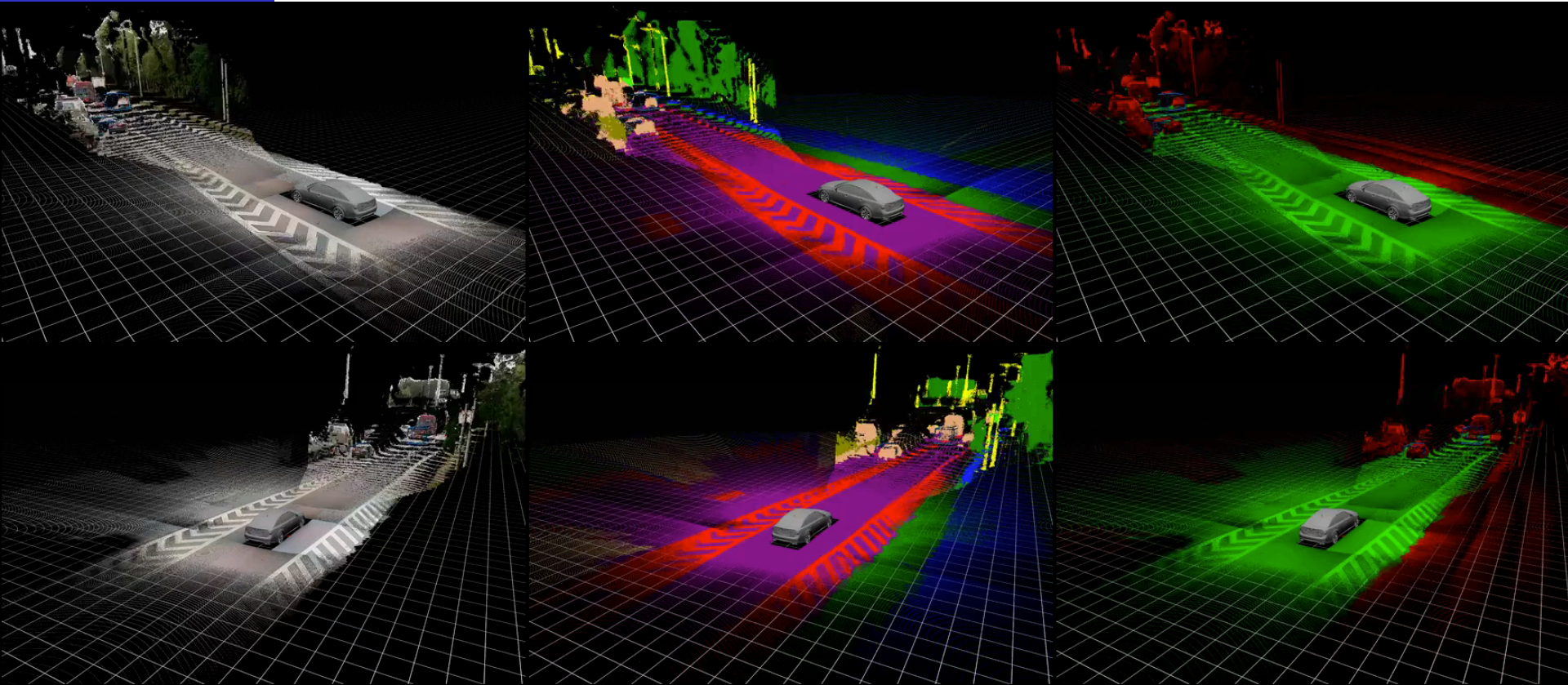
INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

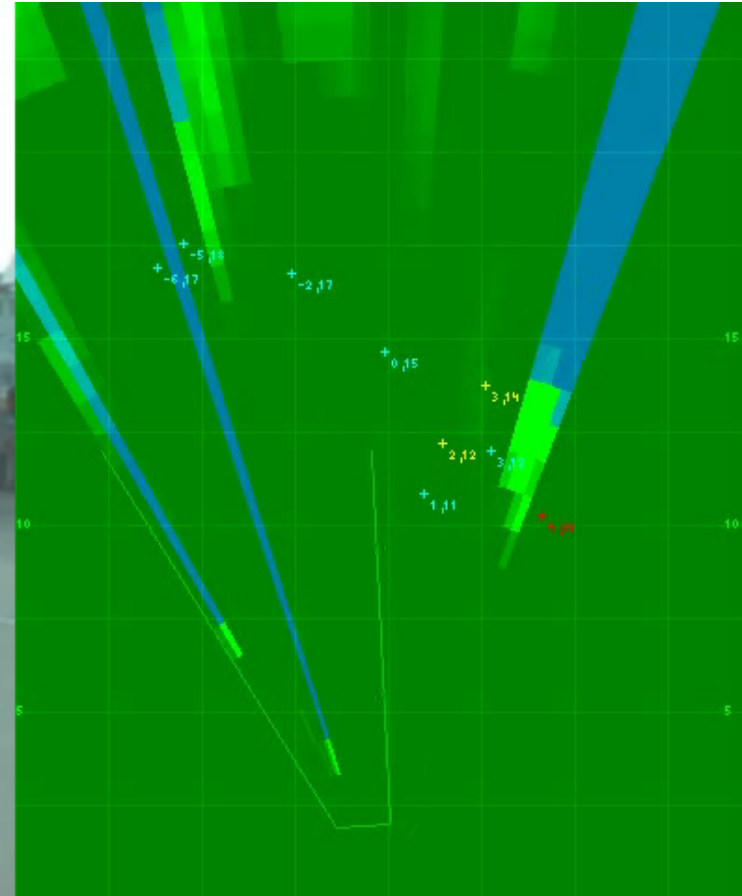


# Ex App: autonomous vehicles

putting vision modalities together:



# Ex: autonomous mobile platform



## Ex App: image retrieval, captioning, ...

Describes without errors



A person riding a motorcycle on a dirt road.

Describes with minor errors



Two dogs play in the grass.

Somewhat related to the image



A skateboarder does a trick on a ramp.

Unrelated to the image



A dog is jumping to catch a frisbee.



A group of young people playing a game of frisbee.



Two hockey players are fighting over the puck.



A little girl in a pink hat is blowing bubbles.



A refrigerator filled with lots of food and drinks.



A herd of elephants walking across a dry grass field.



A close up of a cat laying on a couch.

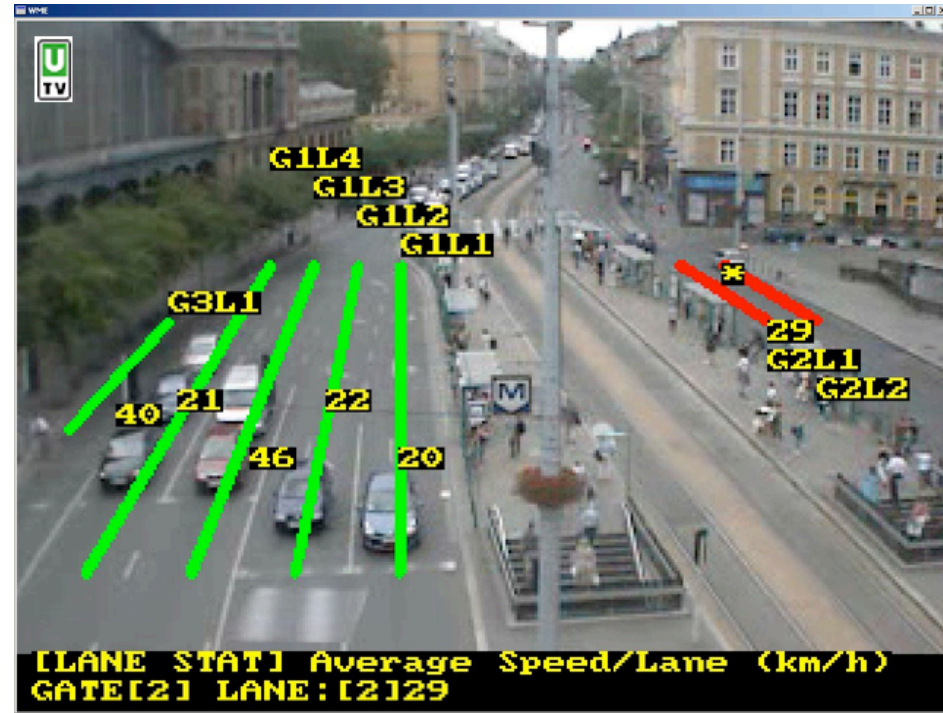


A red motorcycle parked on the side of the road.

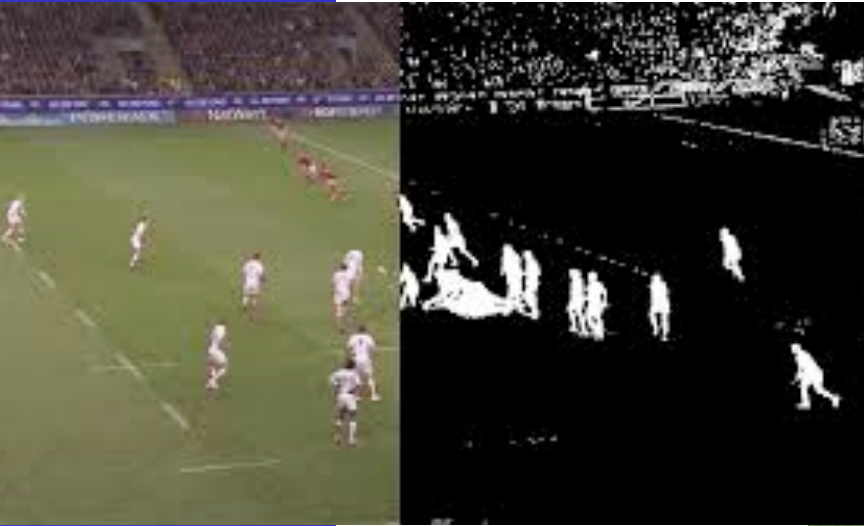


A yellow school bus parked in a parking lot.

# Ex App: visual surveillance

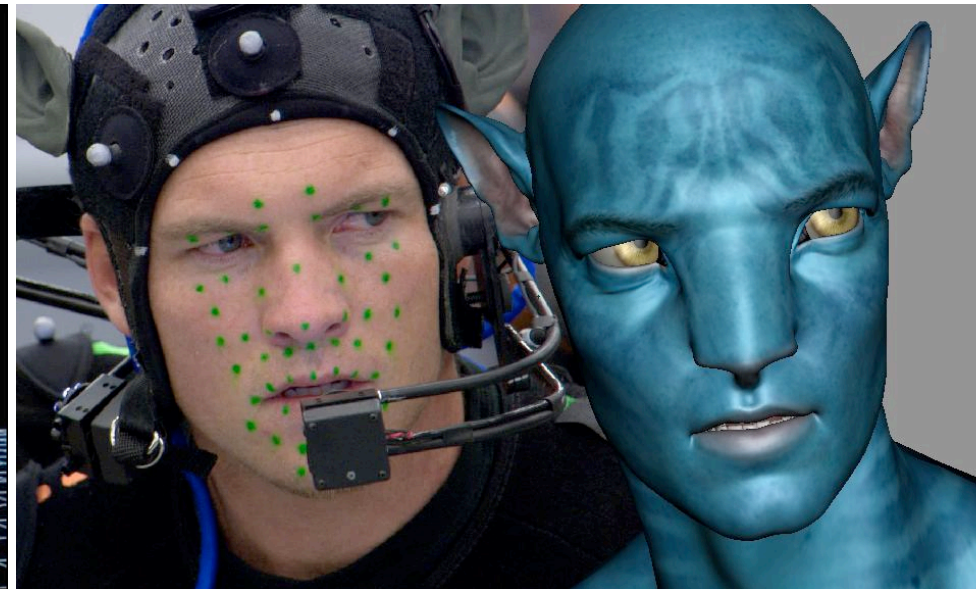
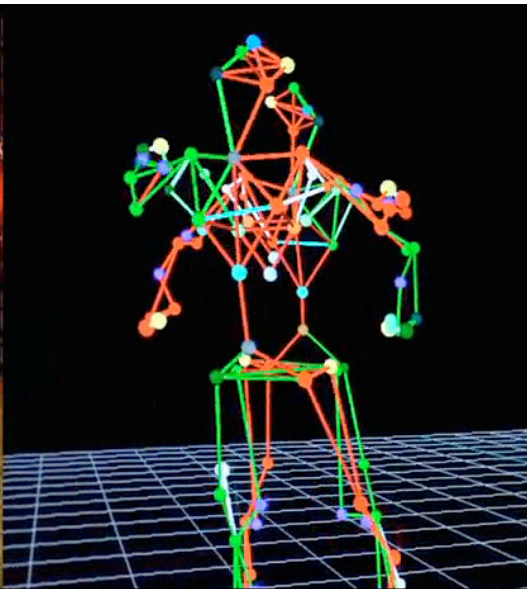


# Ex App: Augm. Reality, eg sports

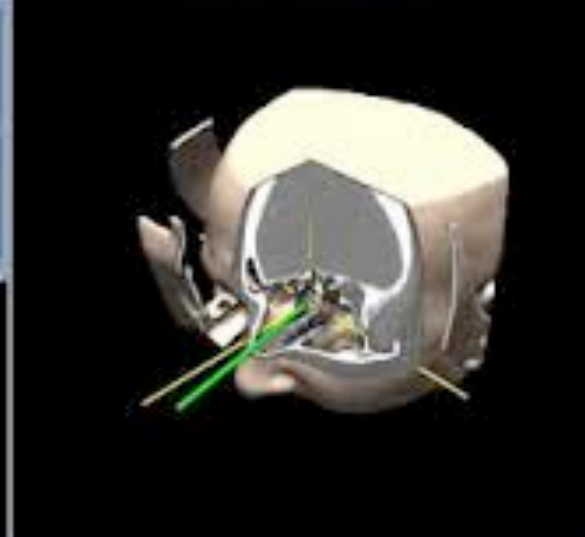
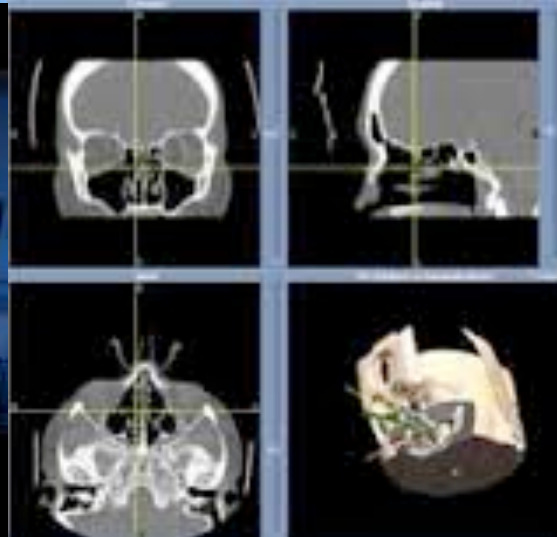




# Ex App: motion capture for movies/games



# Ex App: computer-assisted surgery



Computer  
Vision

# Mobile mapping

INTRO

perception  
**applications**  
light



The central take-home message:

**It is feasible now to let most  
things see and interpret  
their environment**



... it needs light ...

## And then there was Light...

- ❑ no vision without light...
- ❑ ... because it is influenced by objects



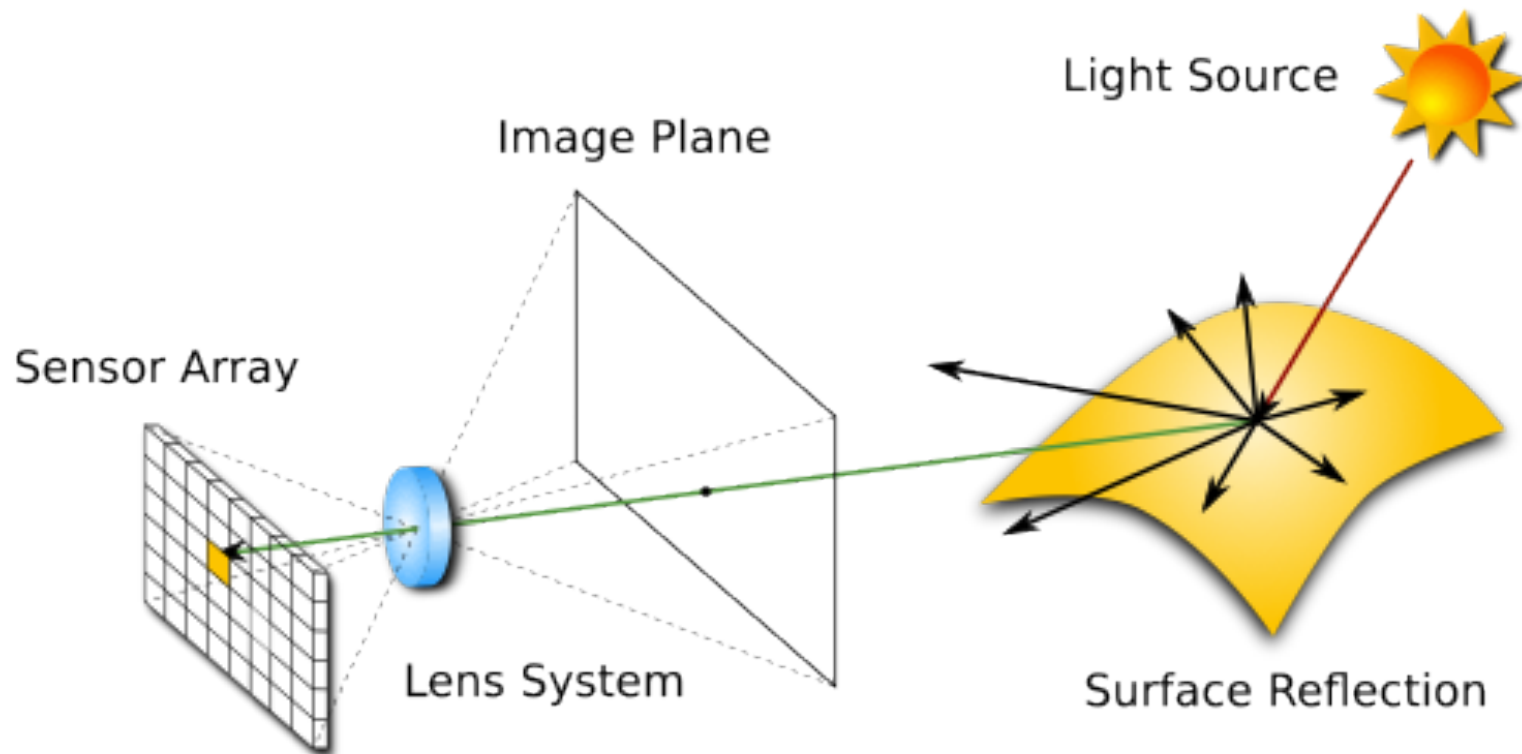
"What the...?"



# Kickoff: the light, surface, lens & cam

INTRO

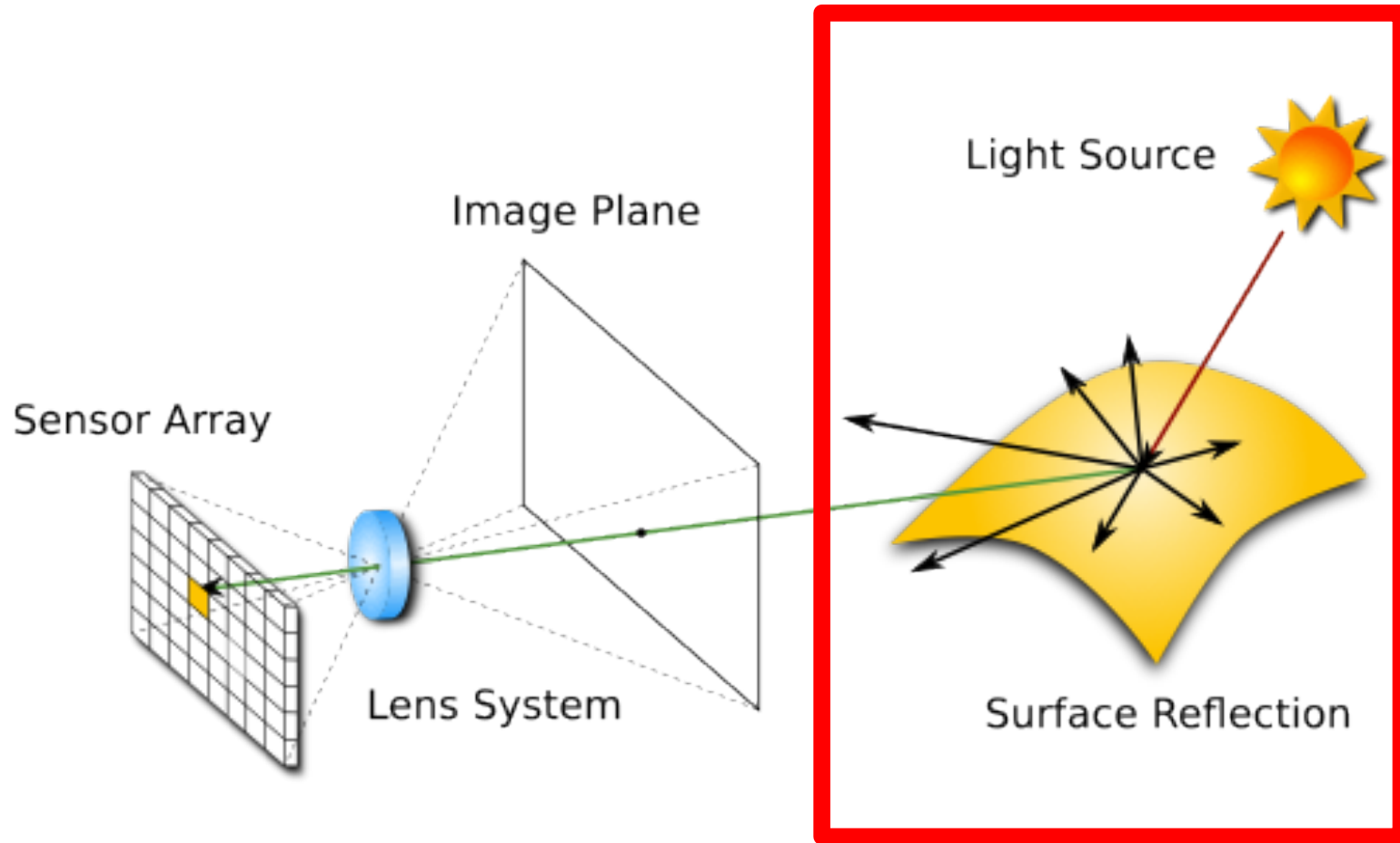
perception  
applications  
light



# Kickoff: the light, surface, lens & cam

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light





# topics

INTRO

perception  
applications  
**light**

- the nature of light
- interactions with matter



## An option on optics

1. Geometrical optics
2. Physical optics, or
3. Quantum-mechanical optics

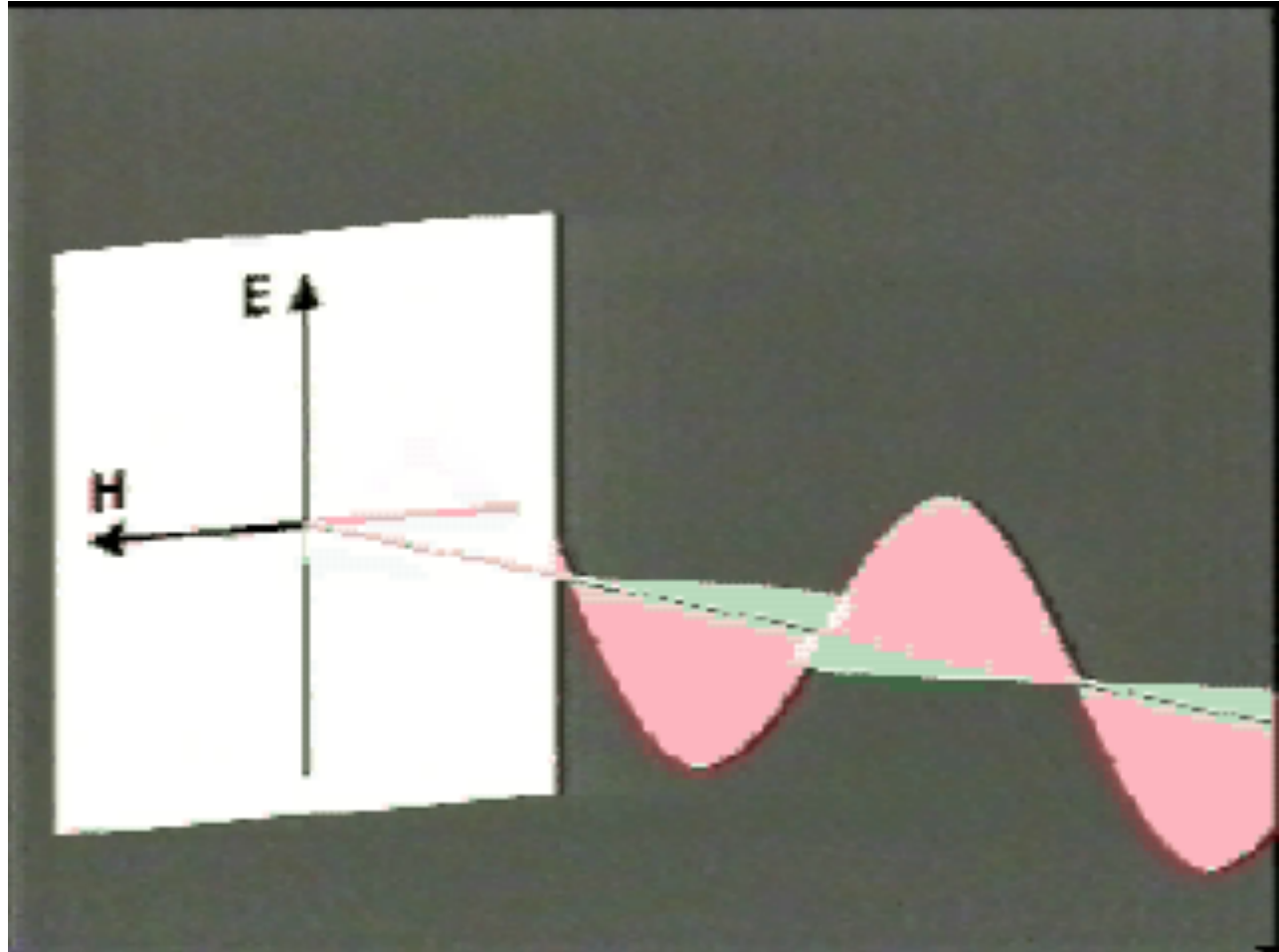
**→ wave character**



# Light as electromagnetic waves

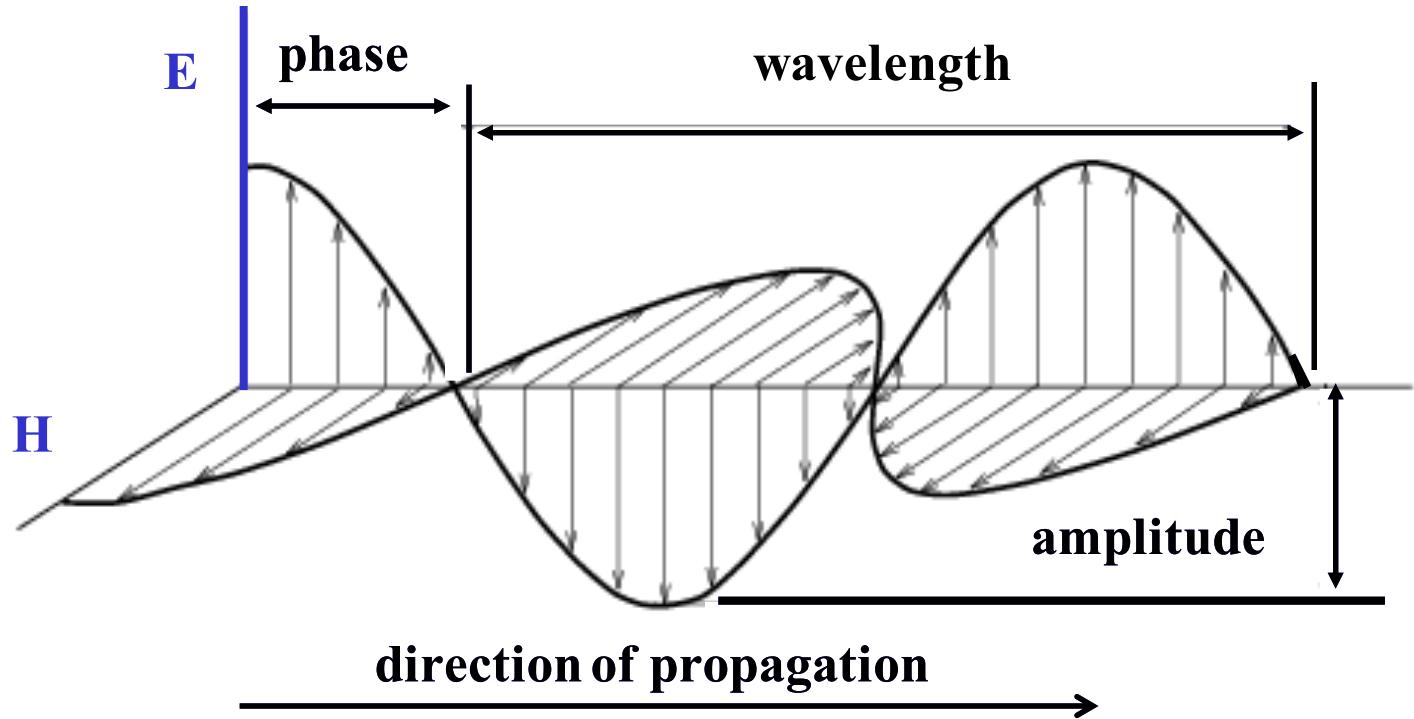
## INTRO

perception  
applications  
**light**



# Light as electromagnetic waves

Self-sustaining exchange of electric and magnetic fields



1. wavelength
2. direction
3. amplitude  $E$
4. phase
5. direction of polarisation



# The spectrum

Normal ambient light is a mixture of wavelengths, polarisation directions, and phases

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

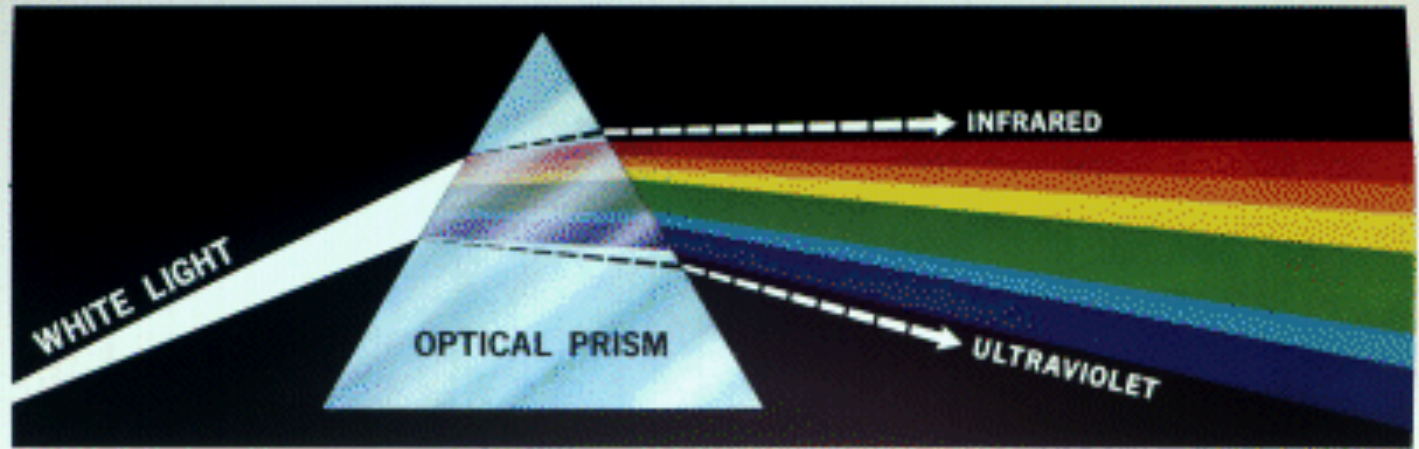
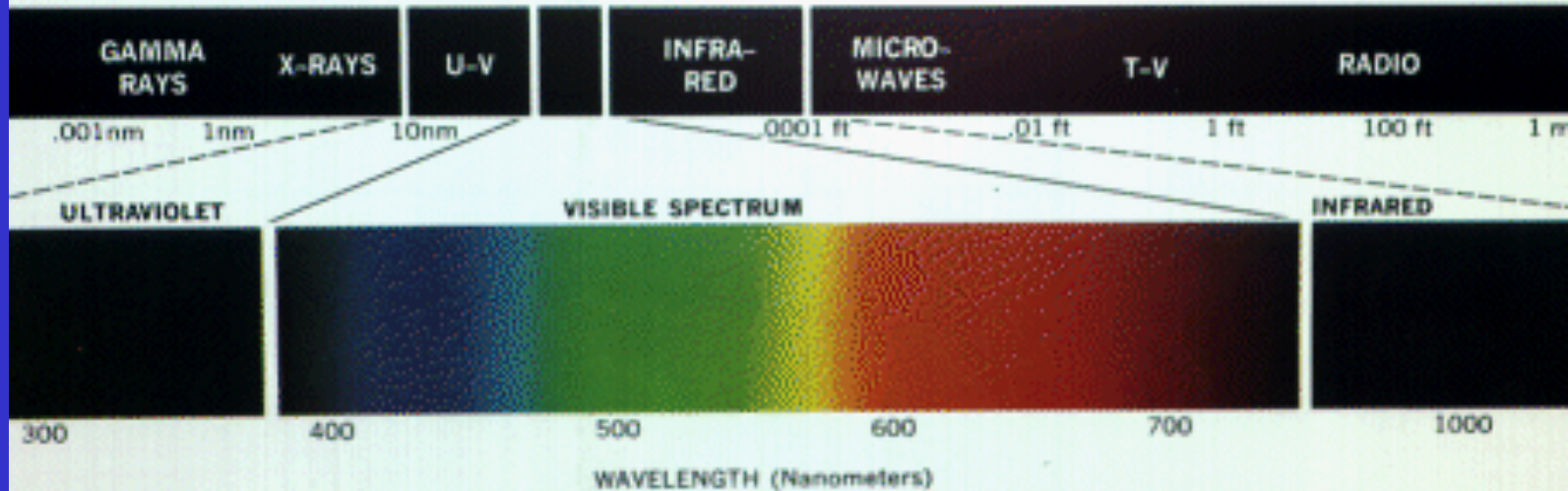








Plate I. Color spectrum seen by passing white light through a prism. (Courtesy of General Electric Co., Lamp Business Division.)



## The visible range

INTRO

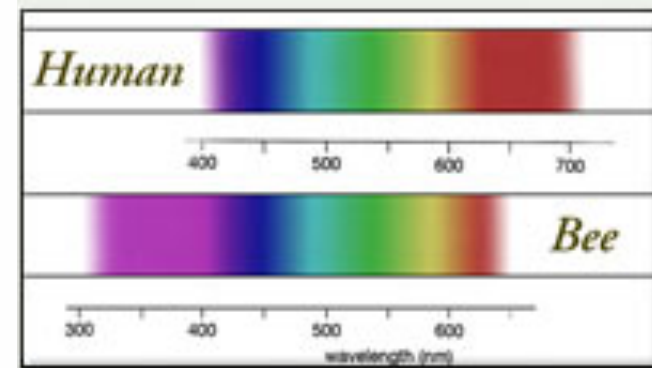
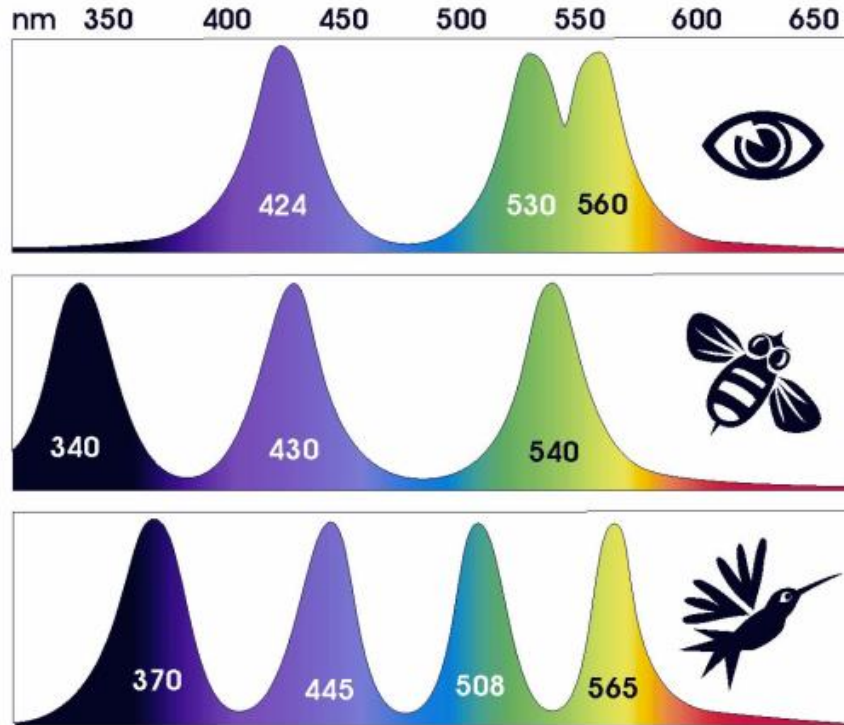
perception  
applications  
light

Wavelength (in <i>nm</i> )		Colour
380 - 450		violet
450 - 490		blue
490 - 560		green
560 - 590		yellow
590 - 630		orange
630 - 760		red

**NOTE** : Cameras may have different spectral sensitivities (i.e. also different from human vision)



## The visible range



**NOTE :** animals may have different spectral sensitivities (i.e. different from human vision), and may also have a Different number of cone types, like 4 in most birds.



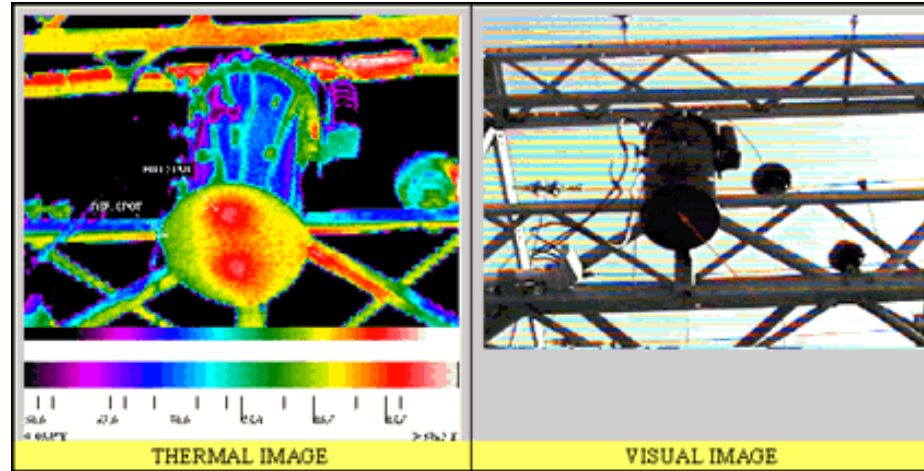
INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

Also cams for non-visible 'light', e.g. infrared

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



Overheating of transformer coils, with far IR



Near infra-red  
(NIR) space image

NRG -> RGB for  
visualization (notice  
the strong reflection in  
the NIR for vegetation)





## Interactions with matter

four types :

phenomenon	example
absorption	blue water
scattering	blue sky, red sunset
reflection	coloured ink
refraction	dispersion by a prism

+ diffraction



## Interactions with matter

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

four types :

phenomenon	example
absorption	blue water
<u>scattering</u>	blue sky, red sunset
reflection	coloured ink
refraction	dispersion by a prism

+ diffraction



## Scattering

### INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

3 types depending on relative sizes of particles and wavelengths:

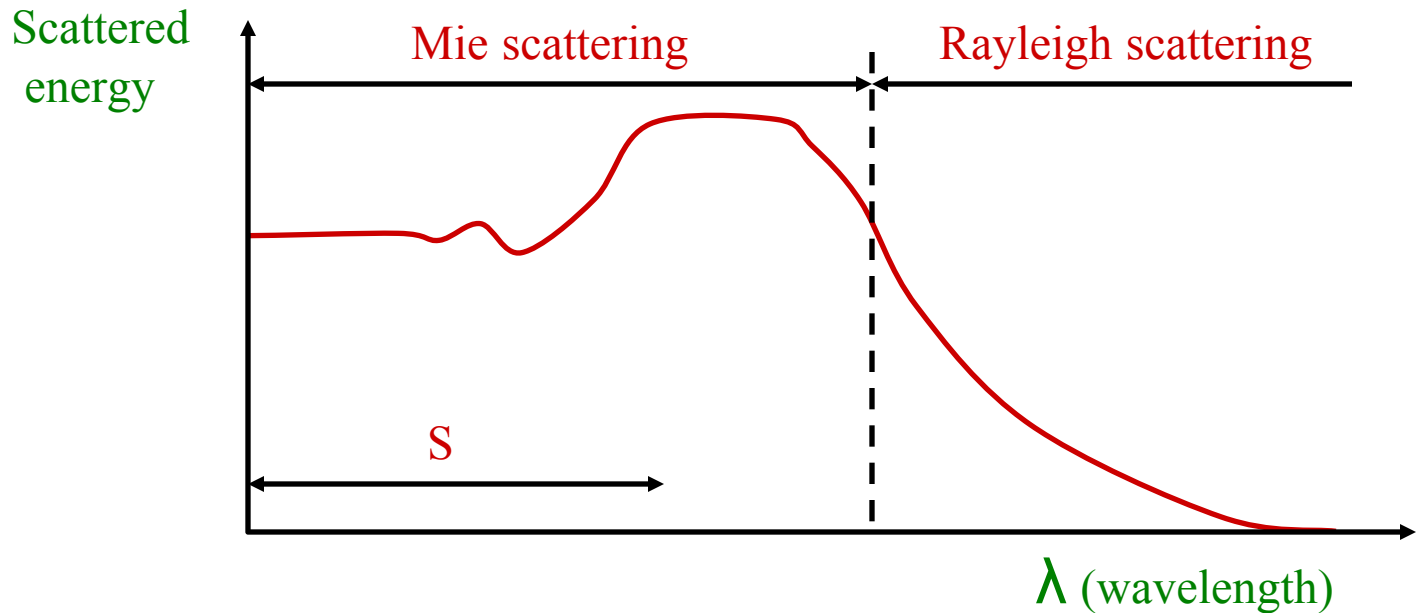
1. small particles: *Rayleigh* (strongly wavelength dependent)
2. comparable sizes: *Mie* (weakly wavelength dependent)
3. Large particles: *non-selective* (wavelength independent)



## Wavelength dependence

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



Less haze in the infrared (long wavelengths  $\rightarrow$  little scatter)  
Looking through clouds by radar (even longer wavelengths)  
NOTE: without scatter we would wander mainly in the dark



# Atmospheric showcase

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



Rayleigh:

Tyndall effect (blue sky)

Red, setting sun

Non-selective:

Grey clouds



Mie:

Coloured cloud  
from volcanic  
eruption



## Interactions with matter

four types :

phenomenon	example
absorption	blue water
scattering	blue sky, red sunset
<u>reflection</u>	coloured ink
refraction	dispersion by a prism

+ diffraction



# Mirror reflection

## INTRO

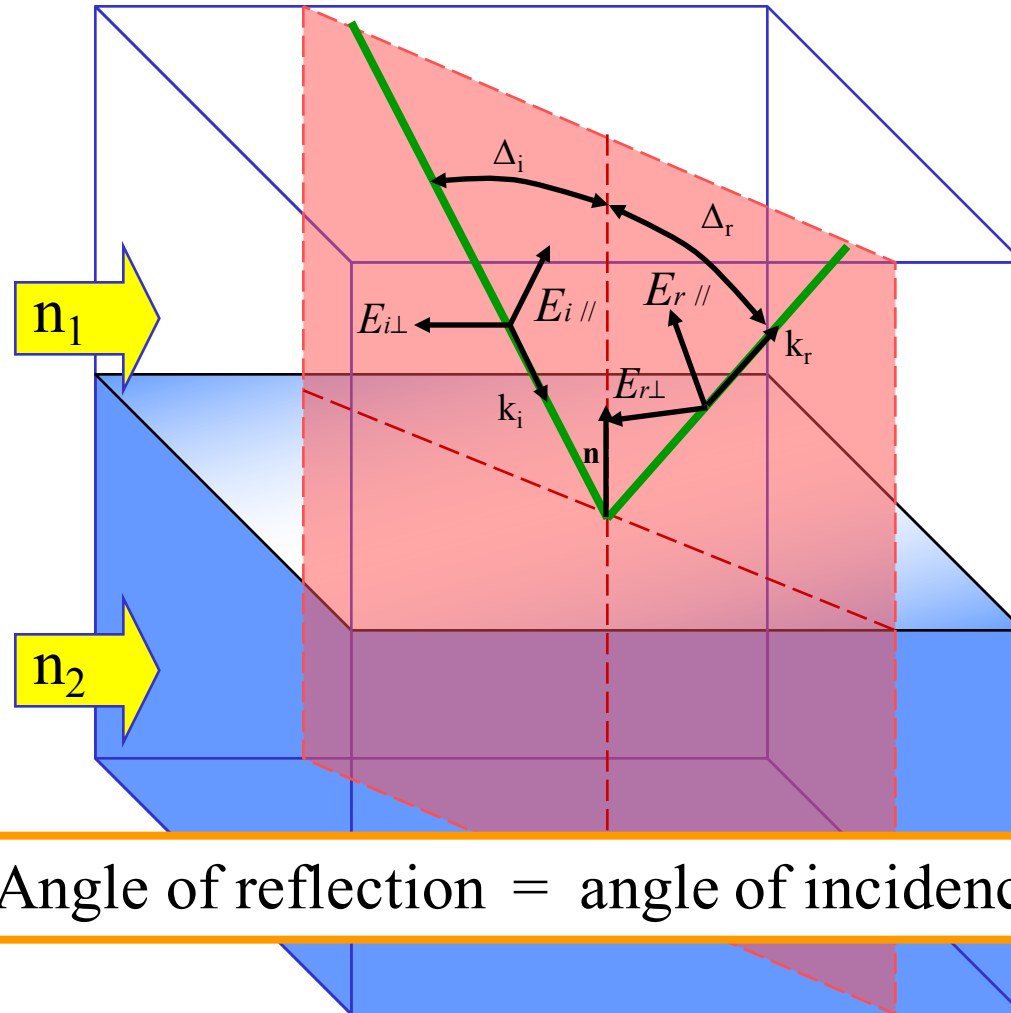
perception  
applications  
light



# Mirror reflection

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



Angle of reflection = angle of incidence

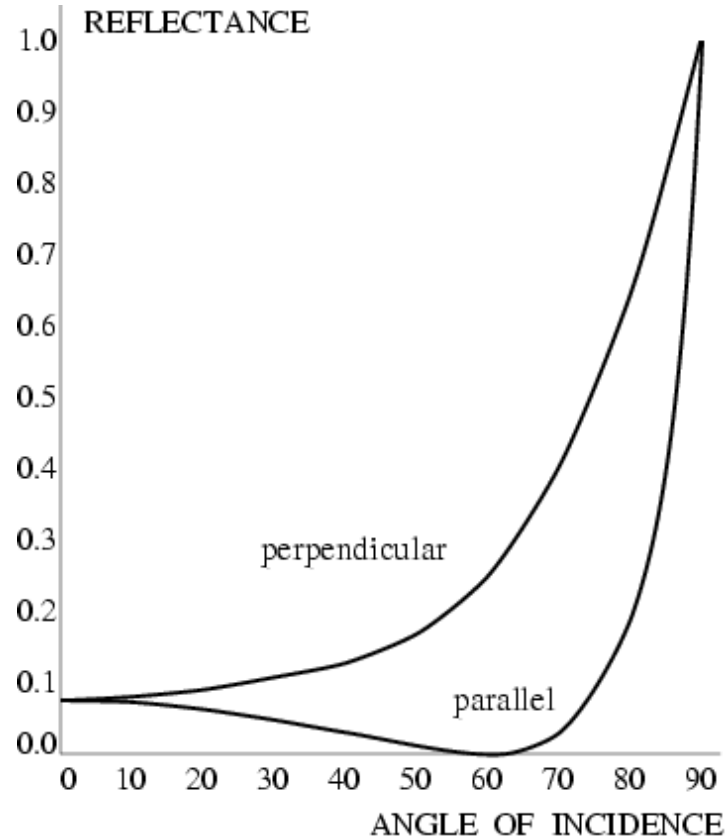




## Mirror reflection : dielectric

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

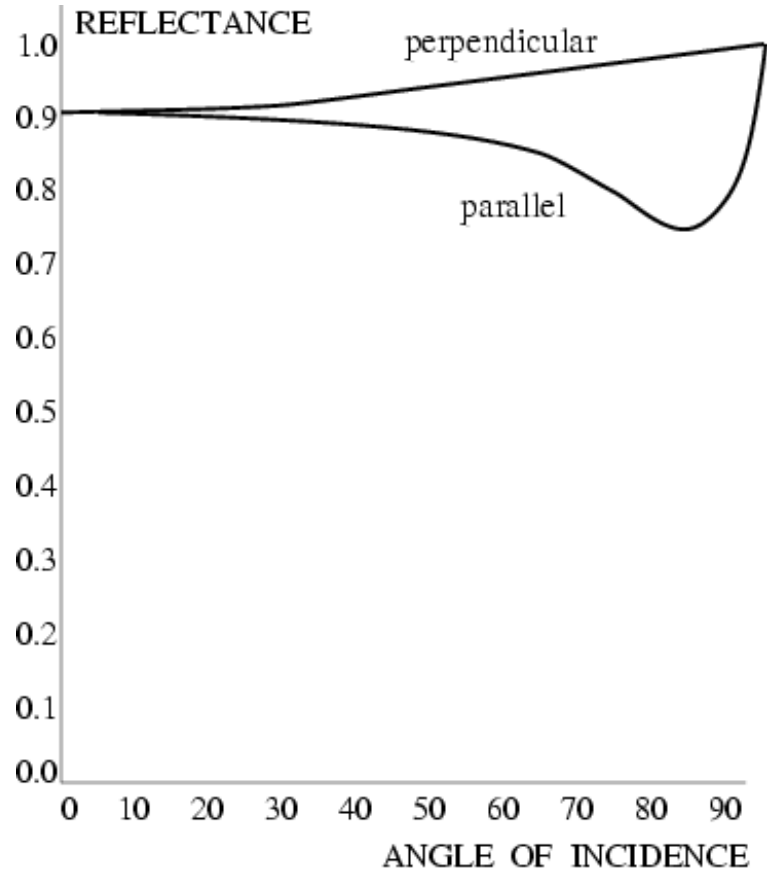


Polarizer at *Brewster angle*

Full reflection at grazing angles



## Mirror reflection : conductor



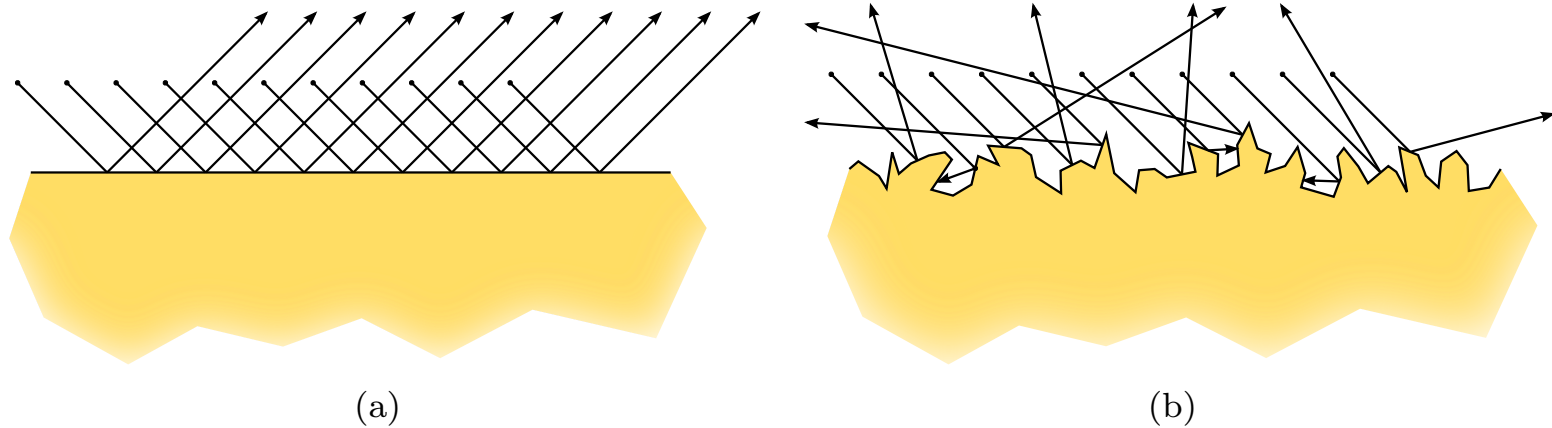
strong reflectors (under all angles)  
more or less preserve polarization



# Roughness of surfaces leads to 'diffuse' reflection

## INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



(a) Mirror or 'specular' reflection, (b) diffuse reflection

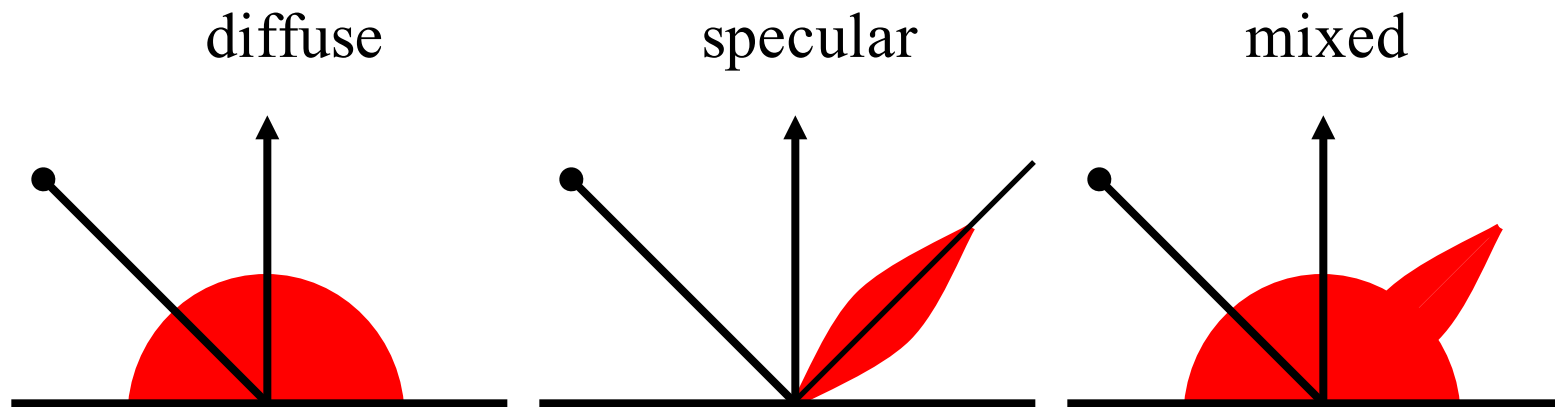


... and to mixed reflection for most real surfaces

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

three types of reflection :



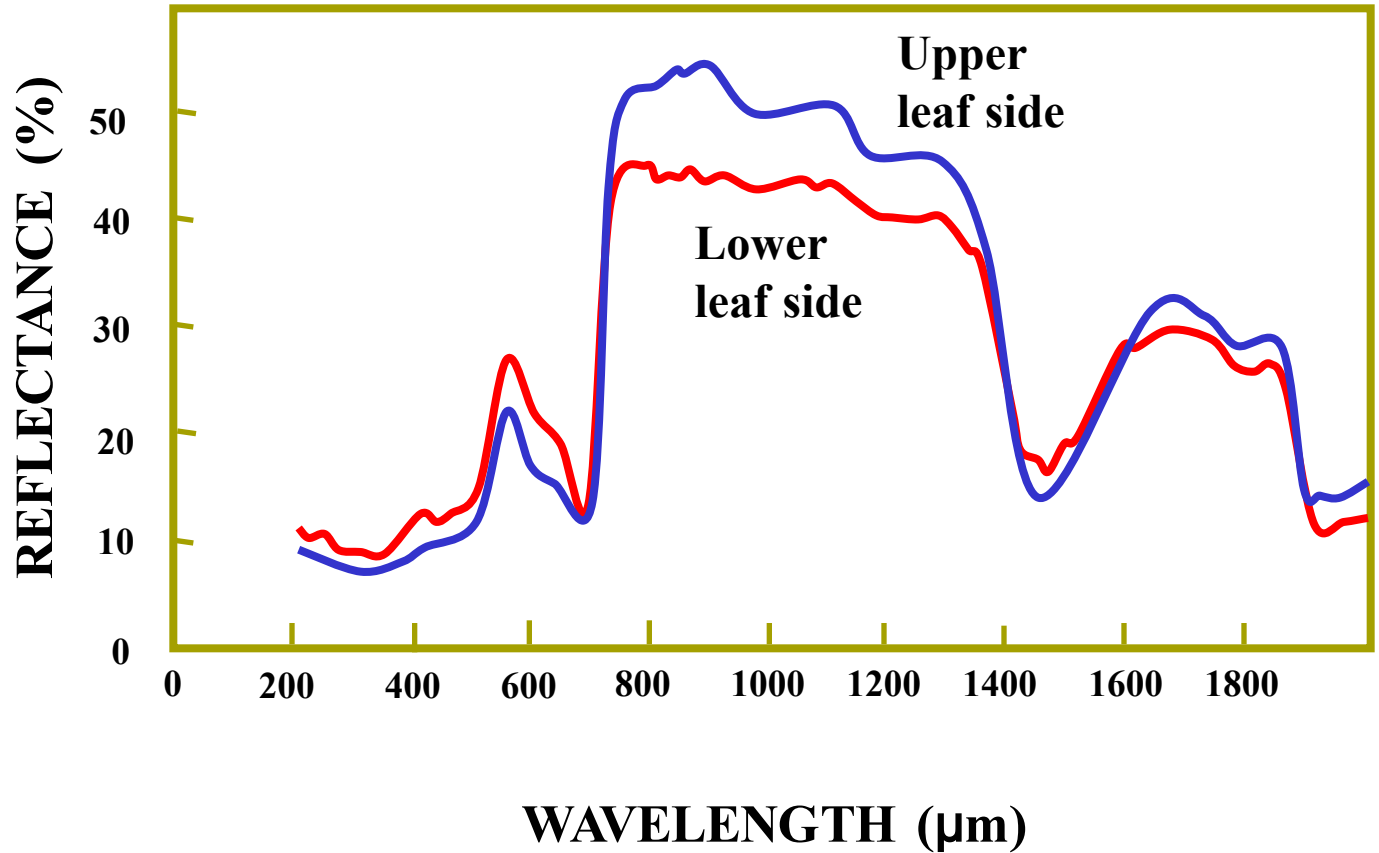
Note : Lambertian example of diffuse reflection



# Spectral reflectance e.g. vegetation

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



Ideally: spectral BRDF at all points known

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light



BRDF = bidirectional reflectance distribution function

## Interactions with matter

INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

four types :

phenomenon	example
absorption	blue water
scattering	blue sky, red sunset
reflection	coloured ink
<u>refraction</u>	dispersion by a prism

+ diffraction



# Refraction

INTRO

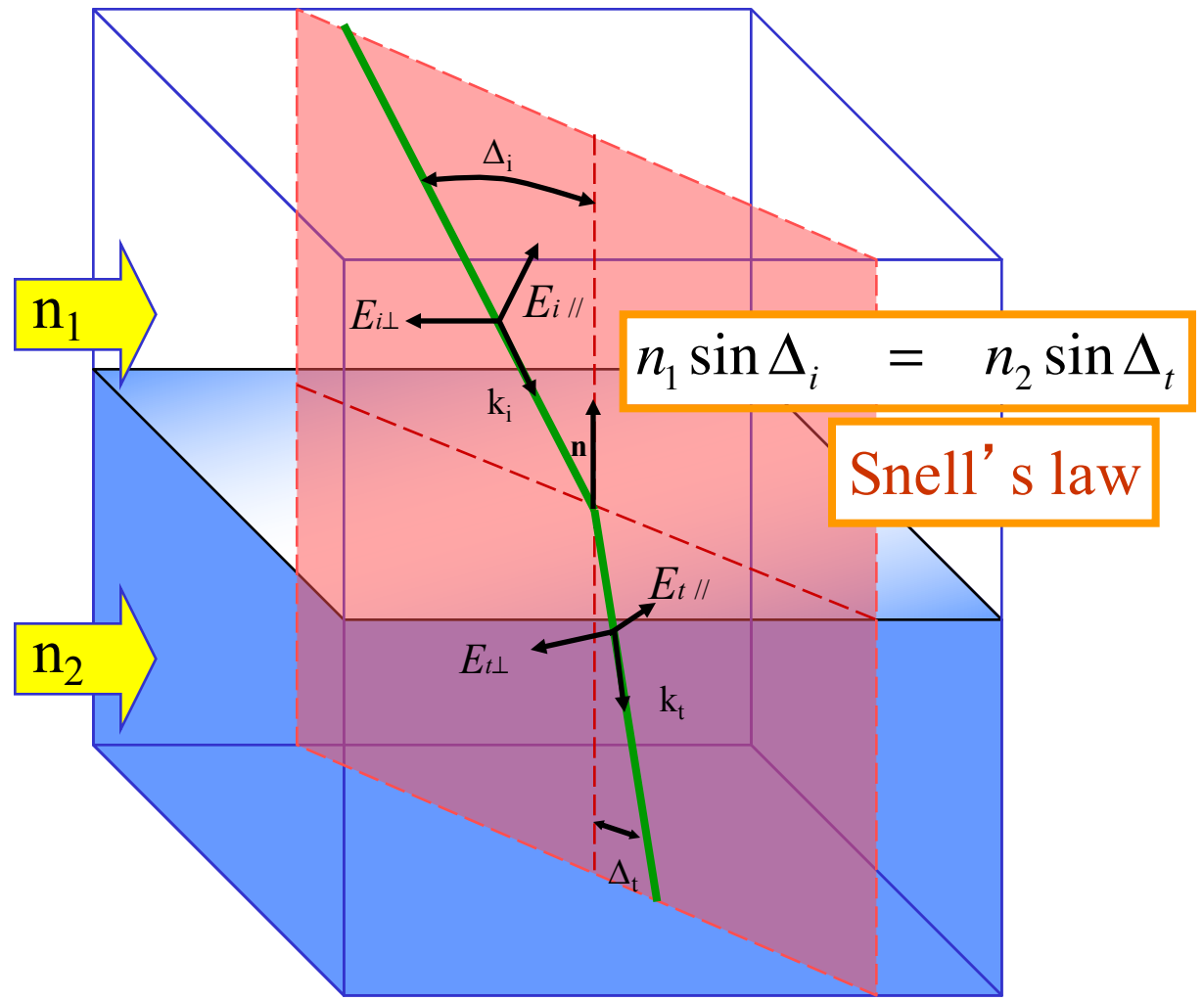
perception  
applications  
**light**





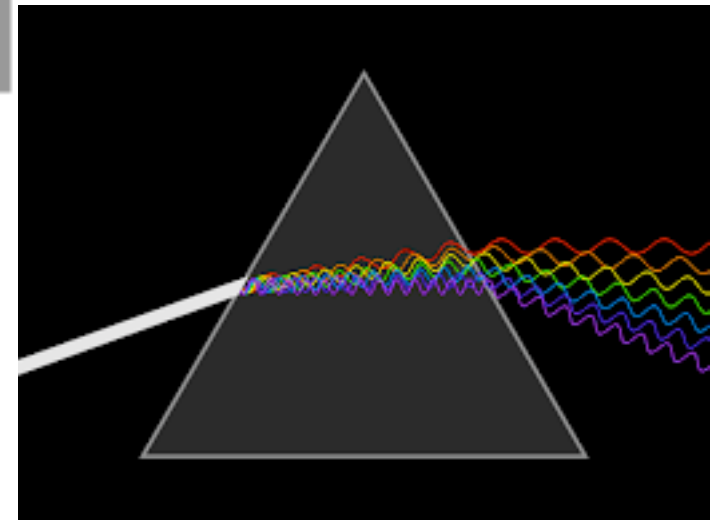
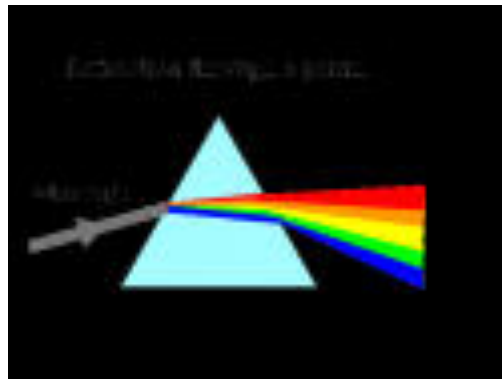
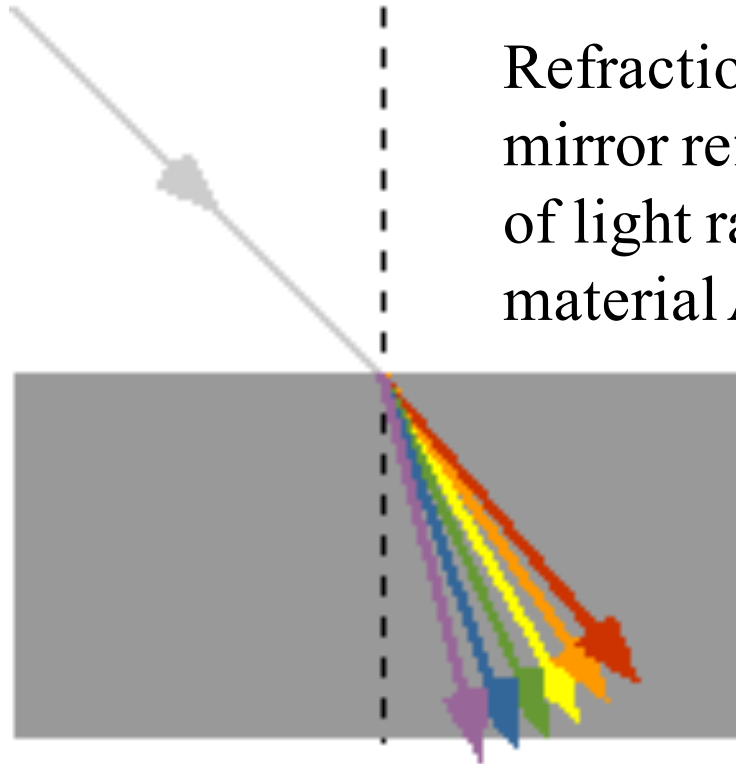
# Refraction

INTRO  
perception applications  
light



# Dispersion

Refraction is more complicated than mirror reflection: the path orientation of light rays is changed depending on material AND wavelength !!!



## Interactions with matter

four types :

**phenomenon**

**example**

absorption

blue water

scattering

blue sky, red sunset

reflection

coloured ink

refraction

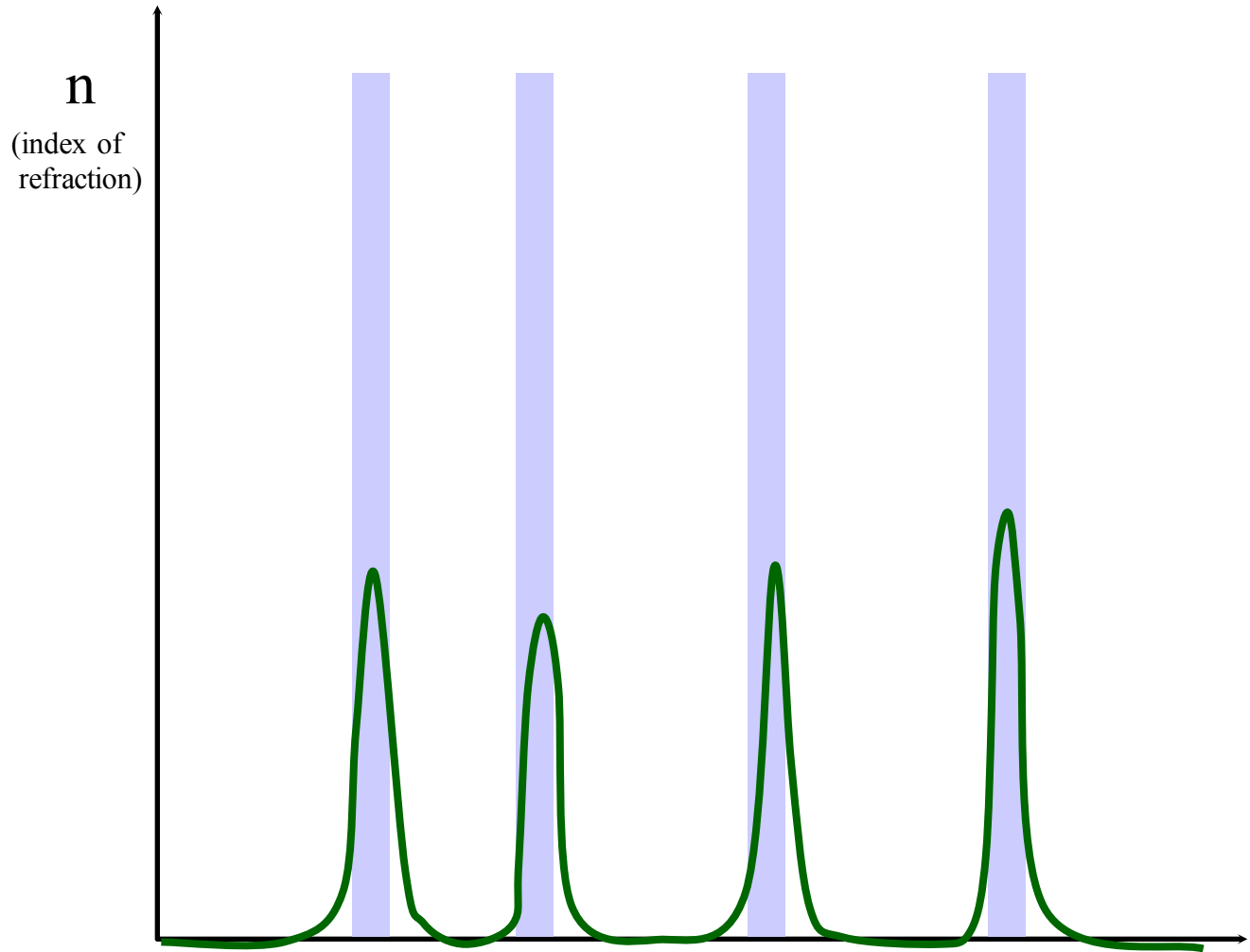
dispersion by a prism

+ diffraction



# Absorption

Dissipation of wavelengths specific for the medium



Based on resonance frequencies of molecules -> peaks  
Holes in sky light spectrum observed by Fraunhofer

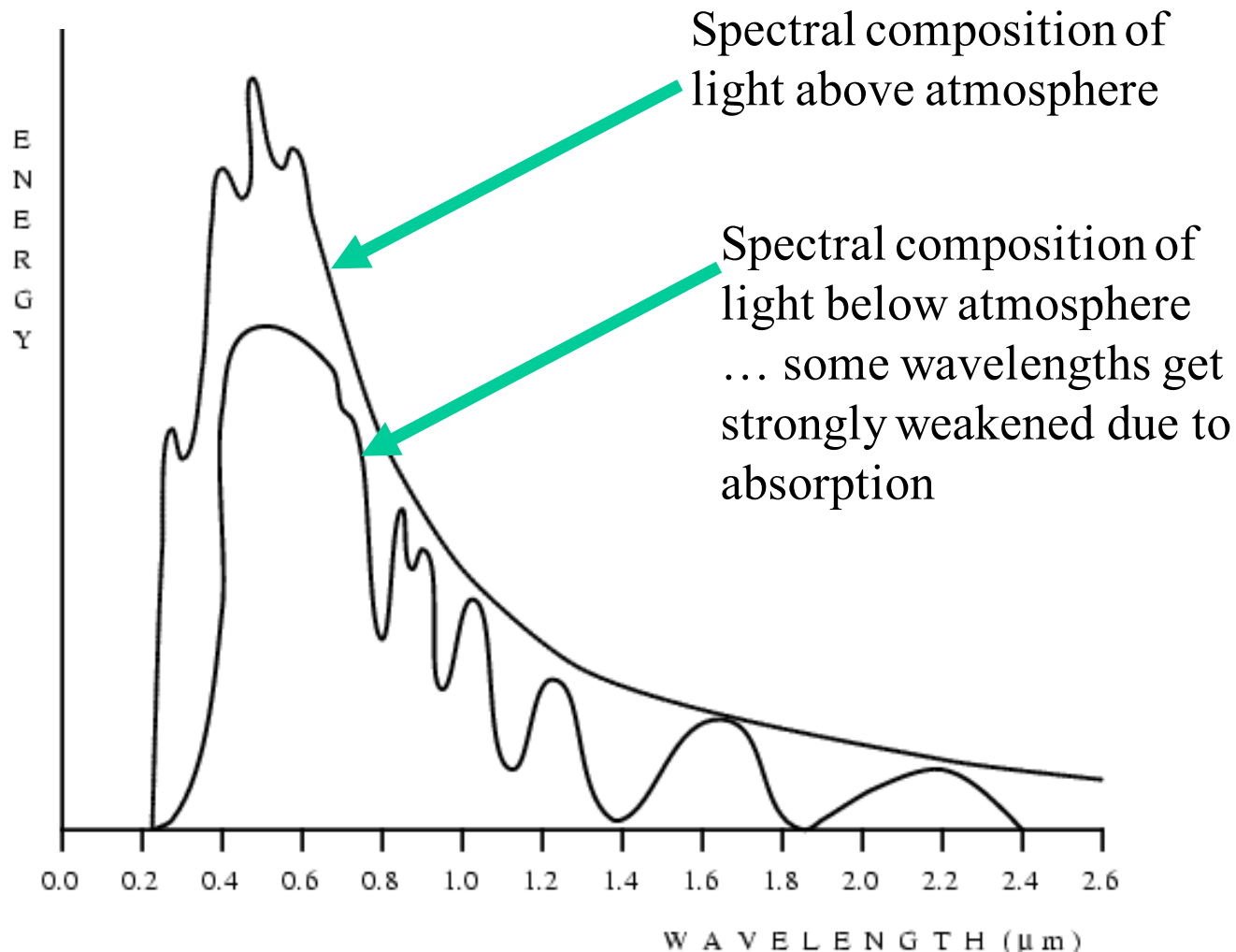


# The solar spectrum

Peaks around 500nm, hence human sensitivity for that part of the spectrum

## INTRO

perception  
applications  
light

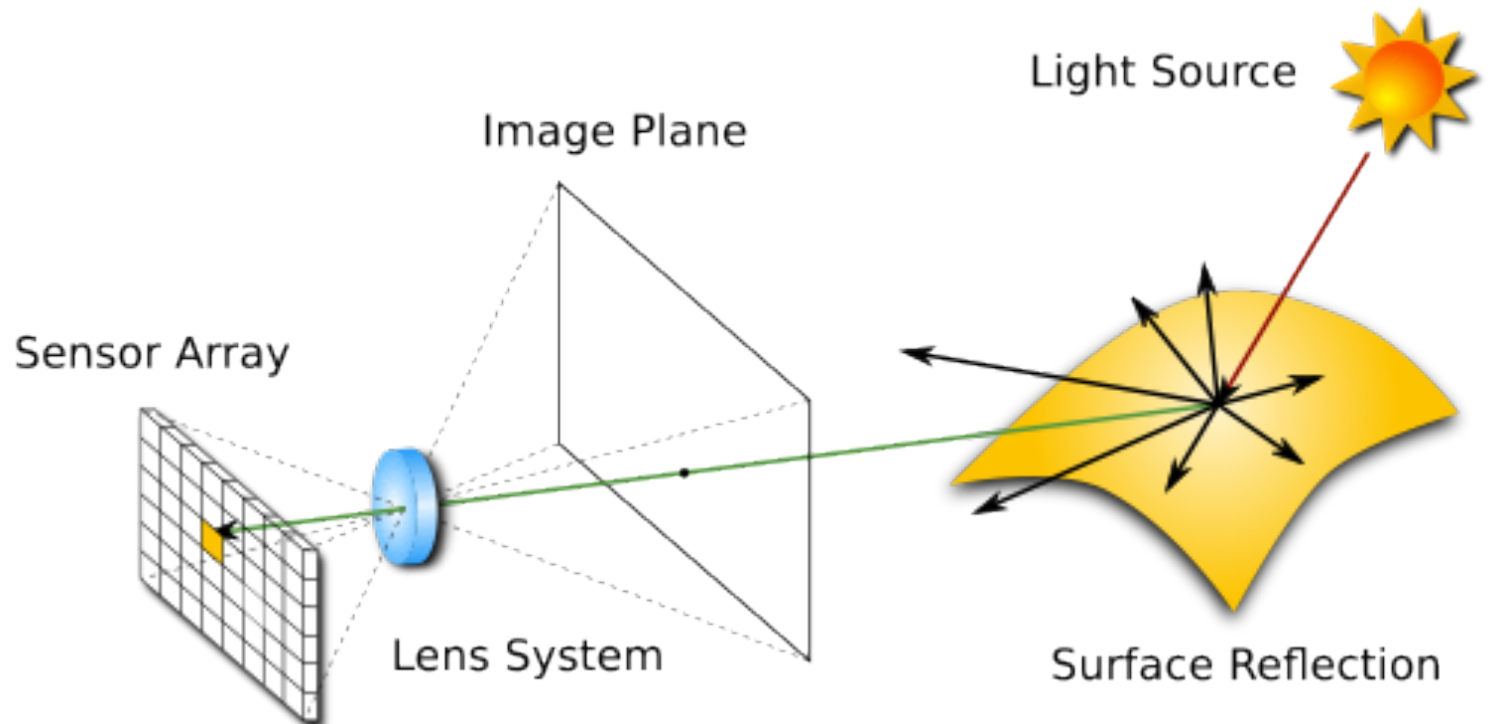


# Acquisition of Images

# Acquisition of images

We focus on :

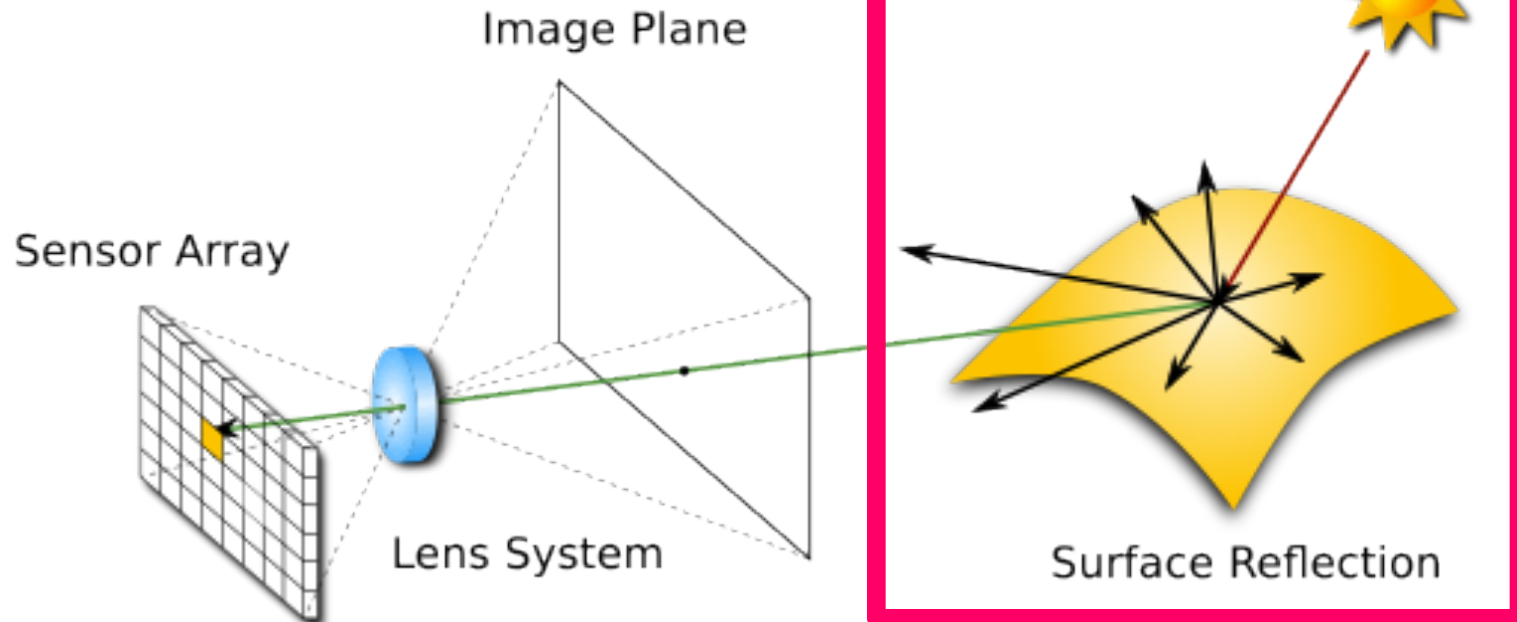
1. illumination
2. cameras



# Acquisition of images

We focus on :

1. illumination
2. cameras

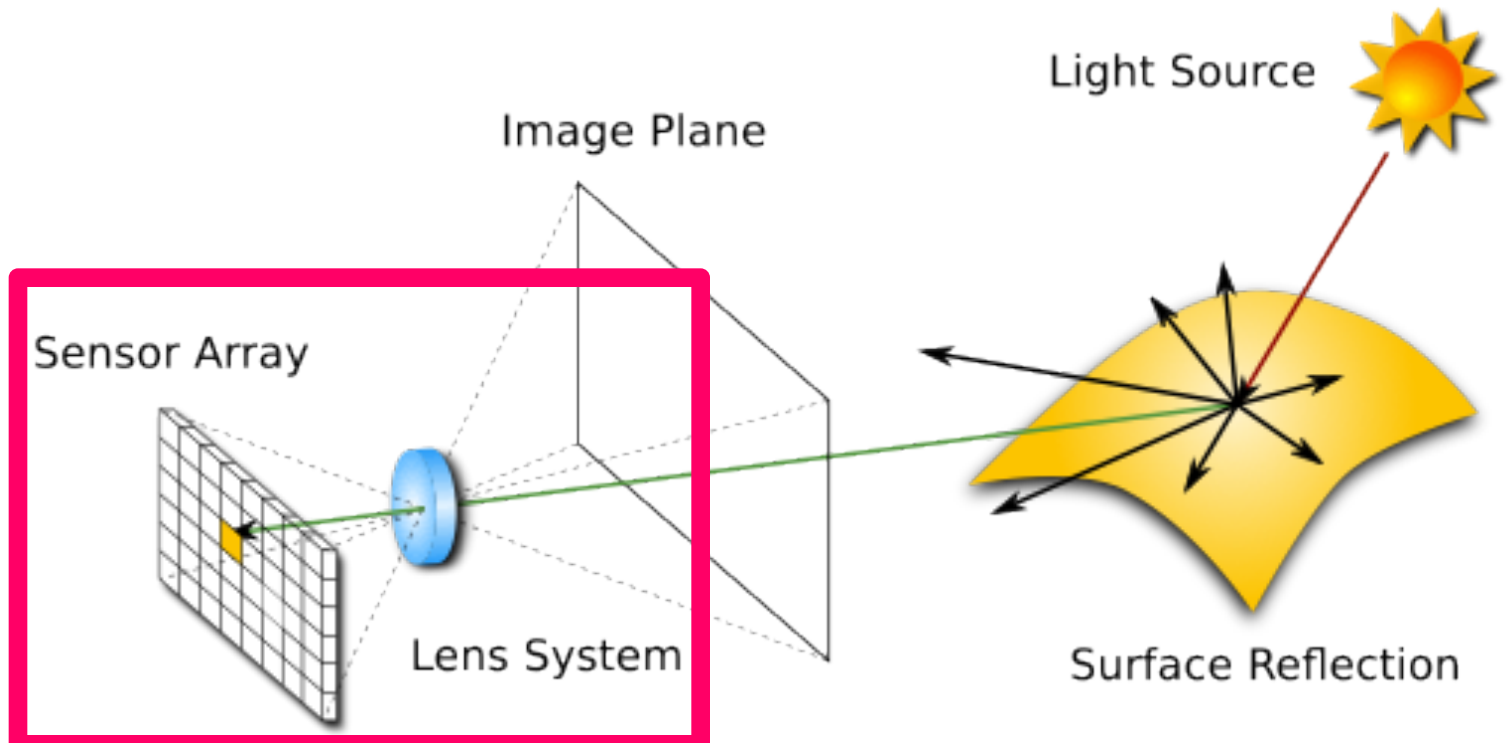




# Acquisition of images

We focus on :

1. illumination
2. **cameras**



# illumination



# Illumination

Well-designed illumination often is key in visual inspection

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



*The light was good, but  
the hot wax was a problem...*



## Illumination techniques

Simplify the image processing by controlling the environment

### An overview of illumination techniques:

1. back-lighting
2. directional-lighting
3. diffuse-lighting
4. polarized-lighting
5. coloured-lighting
6. structured-lighting
7. stroboscopic lighting



## Back-lighting

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

lamps placed behind a transmitting diffuser plate,  
light source behind the object

generates high-contrast silhouette images,  
easy to handle with *binary vision*

often used in inspection



## Example backlighting

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



## Directional and diffuse lighting

### Directional-lighting

generate sharp shadows

generation of specular reflection  
(e.g. crack detection)

shadows and shading yield information about  
shape

### Diffuse-lighting

illuminates uniformly from all directions

prevents sharp shadows and large intensity  
variations over glossy surfaces:

all directions contribute extra diffuse reflection,  
but contributions to the specular peak arise from  
directions close to the mirror one only

ACQUIS.

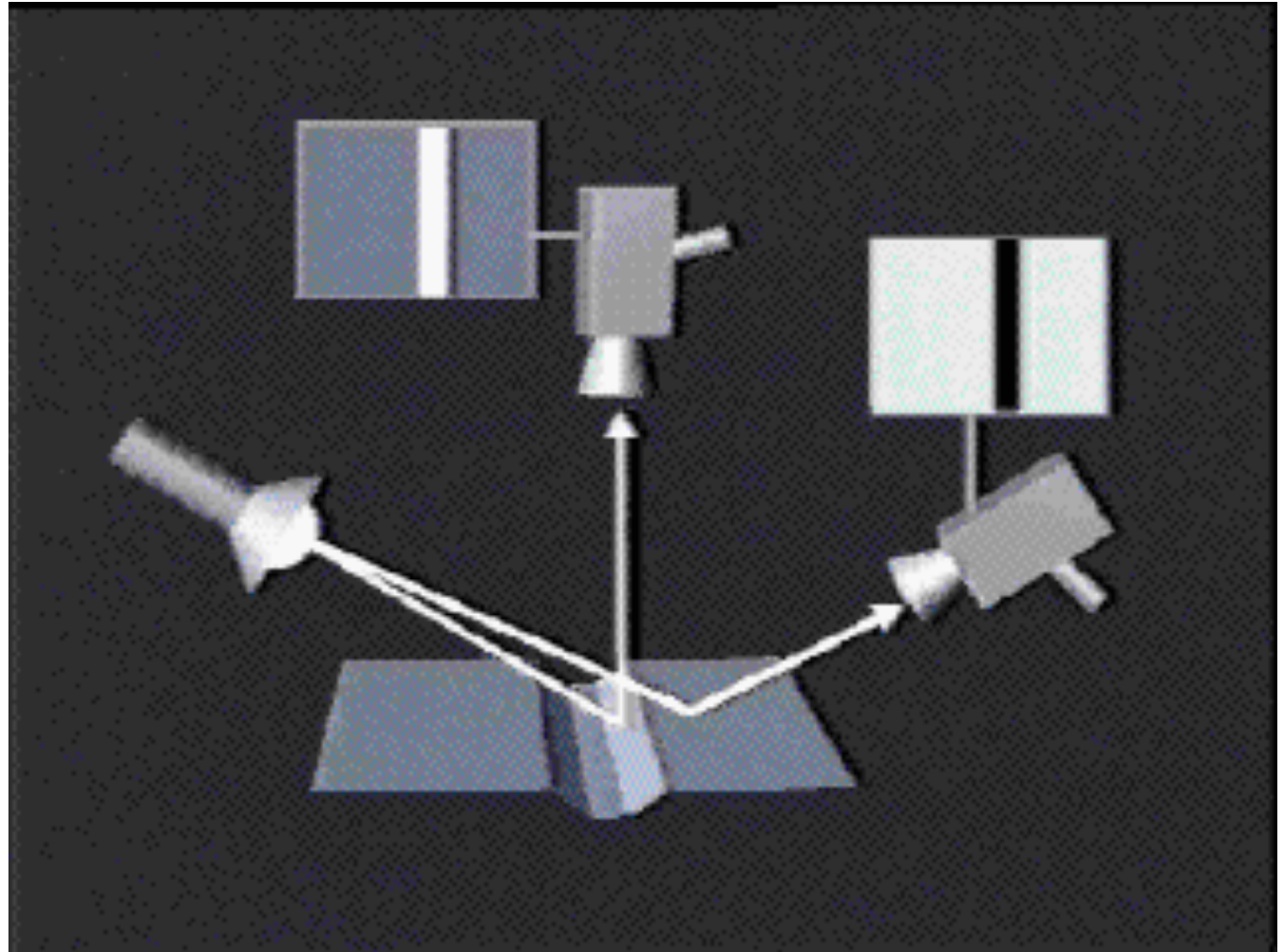
illumination  
cameras



# Crack detection

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

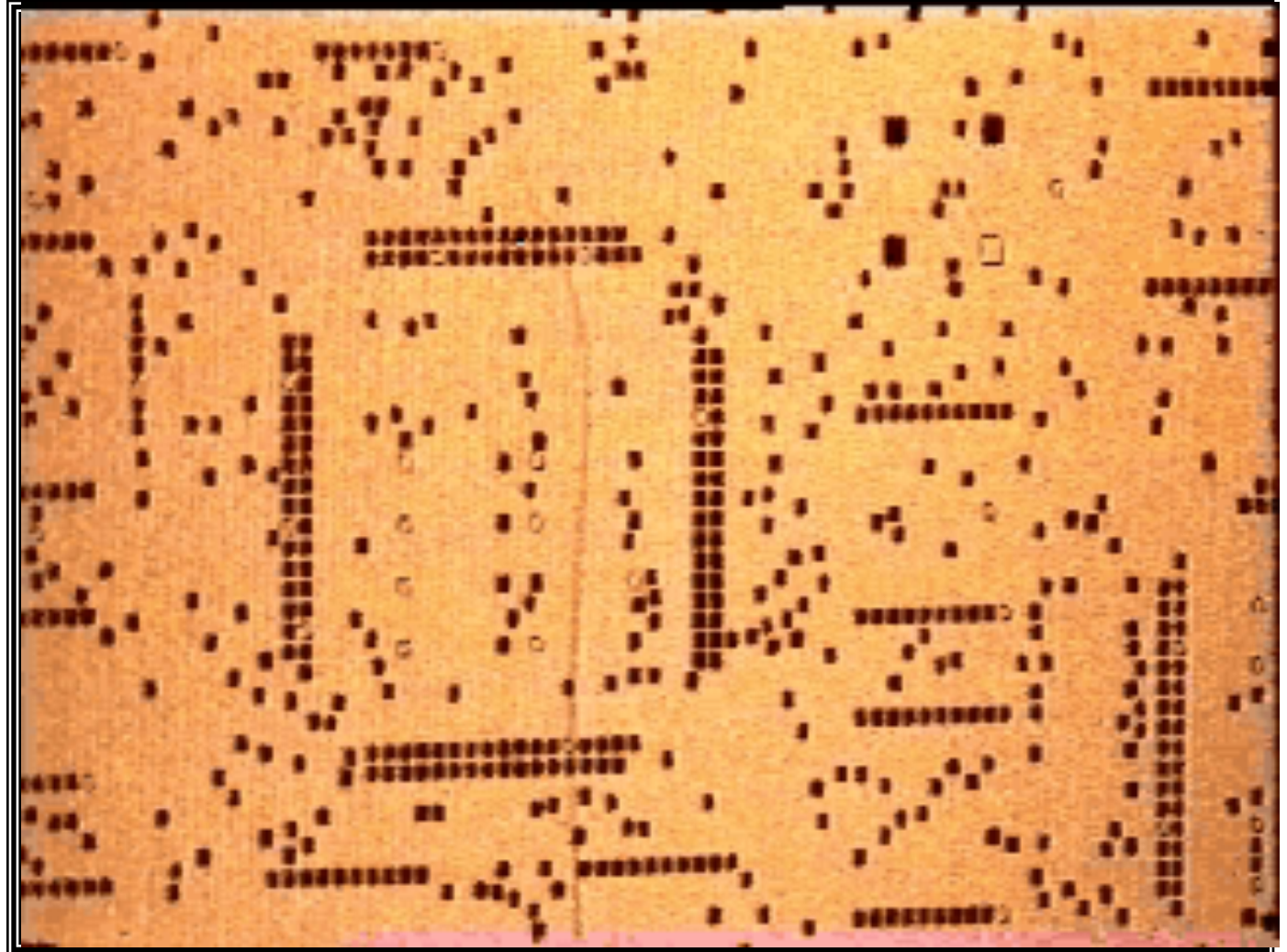




# Example directional lighting

ACQUIS.

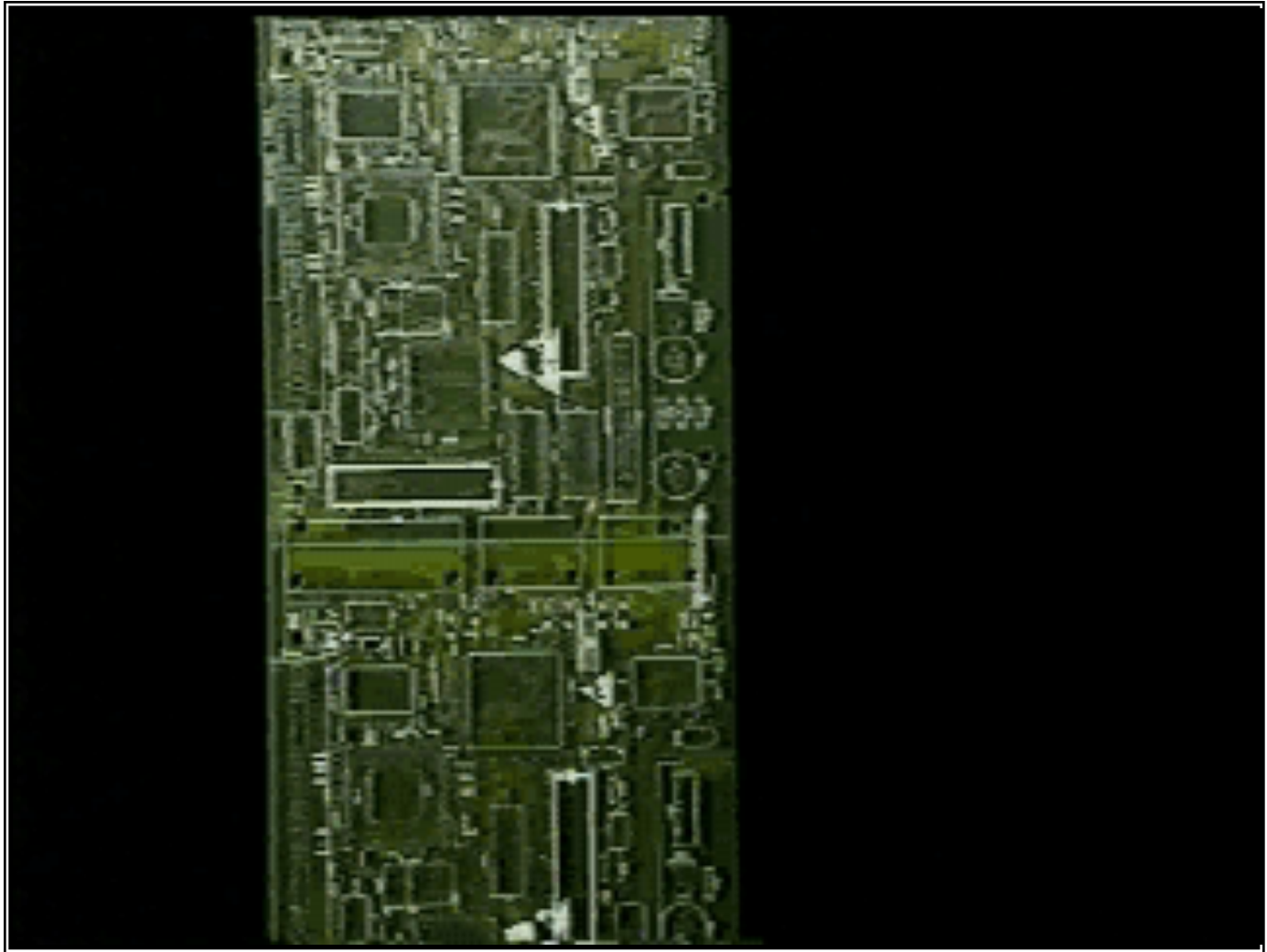
illumination  
cameras



## Example diffuse lighting

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



## Polarized lighting

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

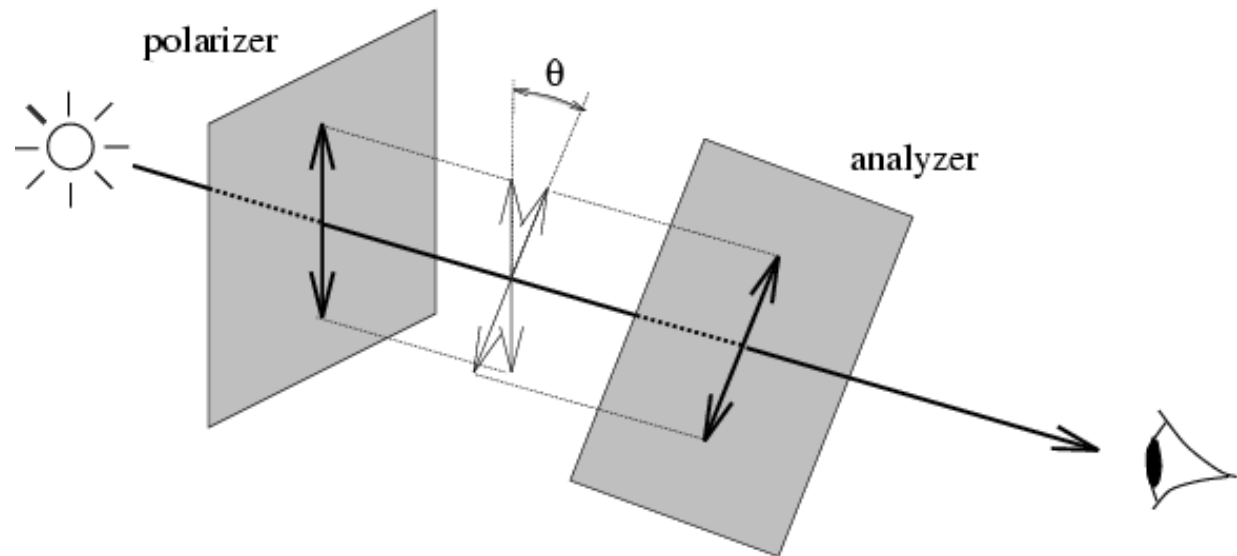
2 uses:

1. to improve contrast between Lambertian and specular reflections
2. to improve contrasts between dielectrics and metals



# Polarised lighting

polarizer/analyzer configurations



law of Malus :

$$I(\theta) = I(0) \cos^2 \theta$$



## Polarized lighting

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

2 uses:

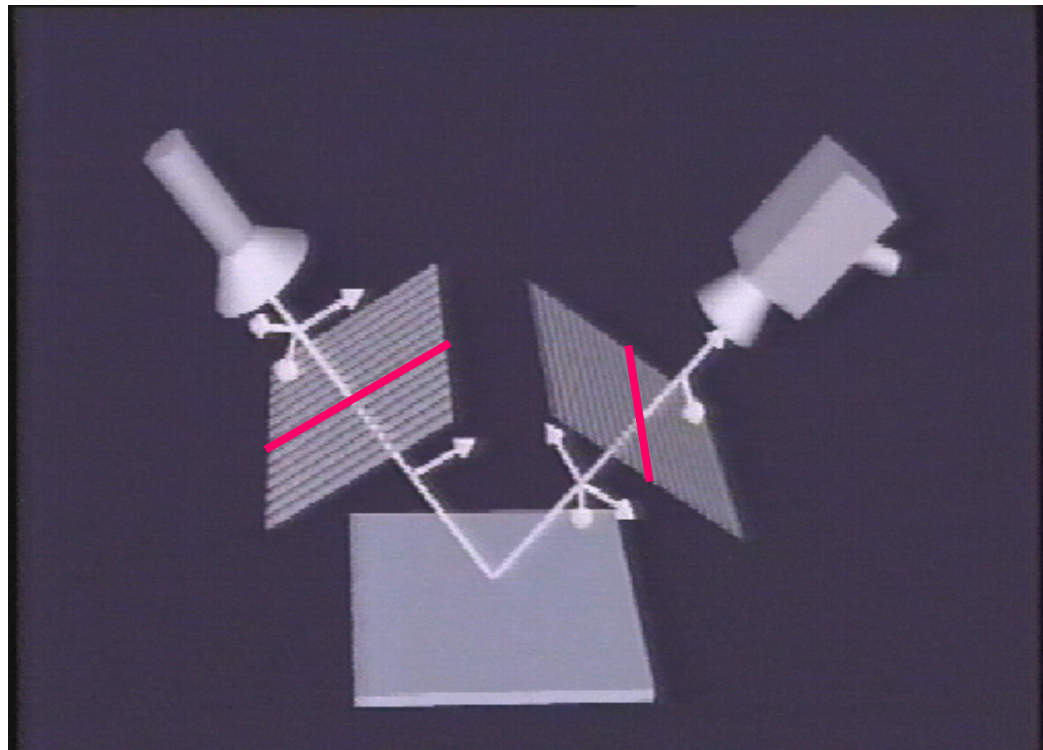
1. to improve contrast between Lambertian and specular reflections
2. to improve contrasts between dielectrics and metals



## Polarized lighting

specular reflection keeps polarisation :  
diffuse reflection depolarises

suppression of specular reflection :



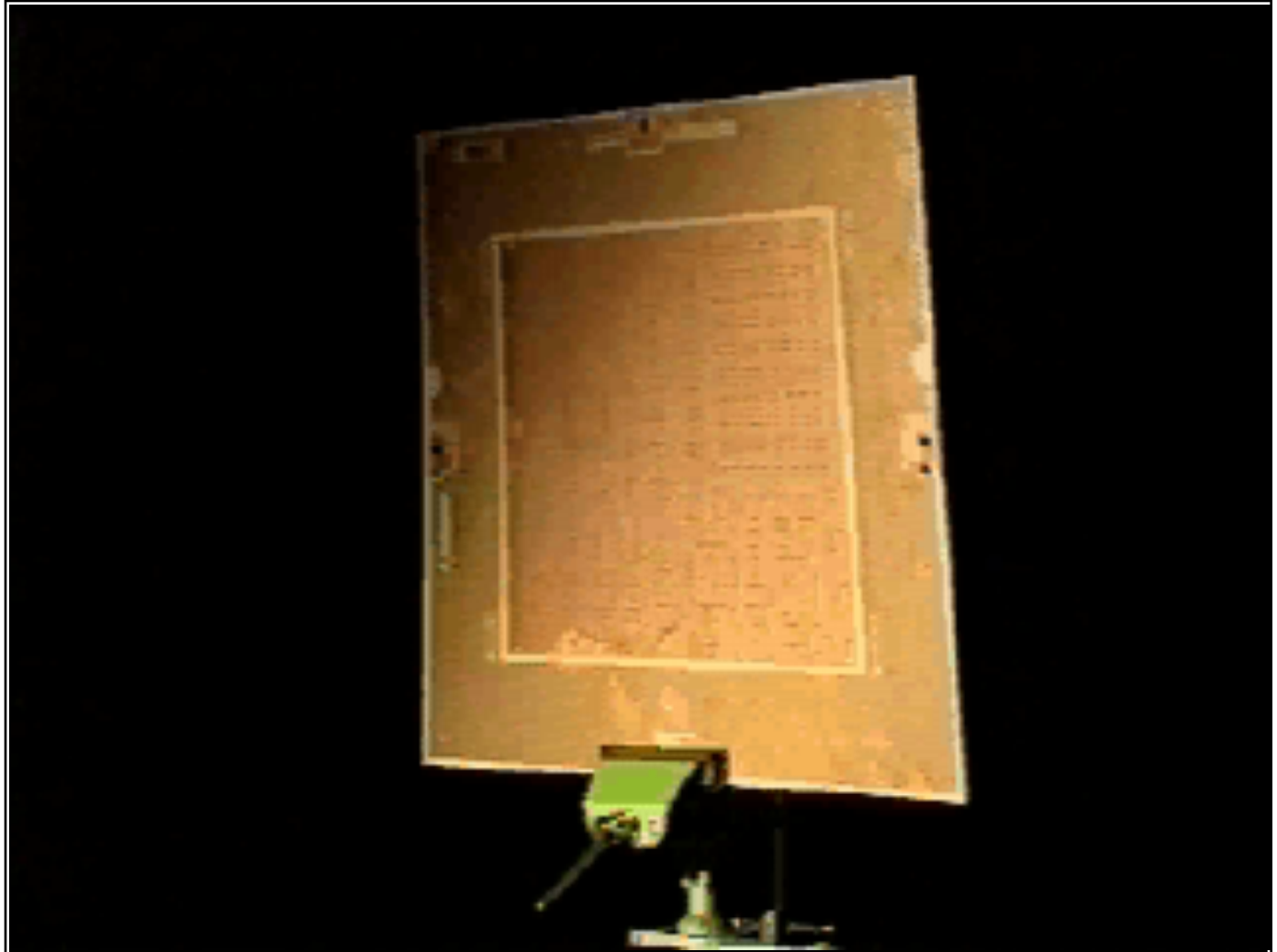
polarizer/analyzer crossed  
prevents the large dynamic range caused by glare



# Example pol. lighting (pol./an.crossed)

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



## Polarized lighting

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

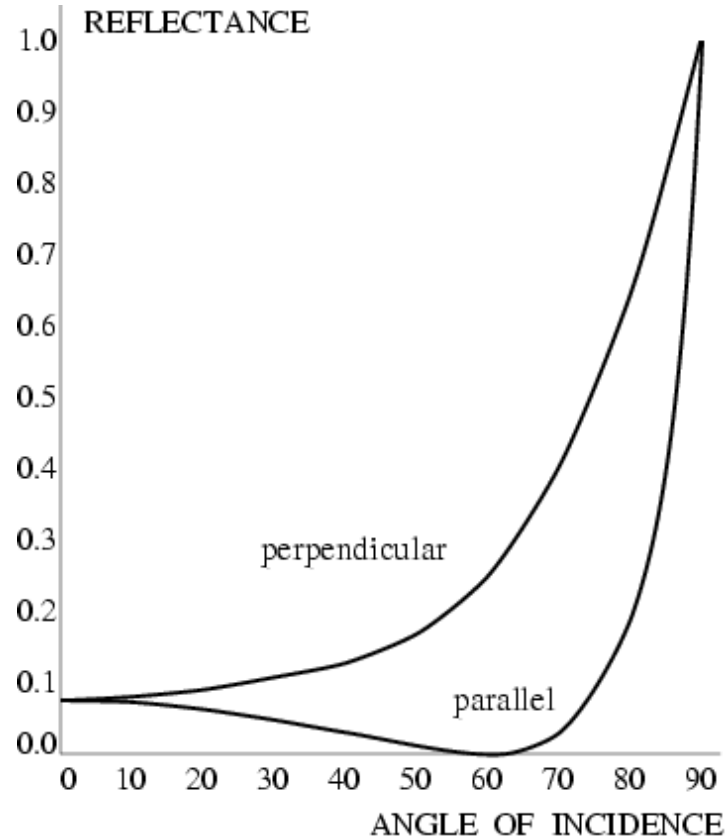
2 uses:

1. to improve contrast between Lambertian and specular reflections
2. to improve contrasts between dielectrics and metals





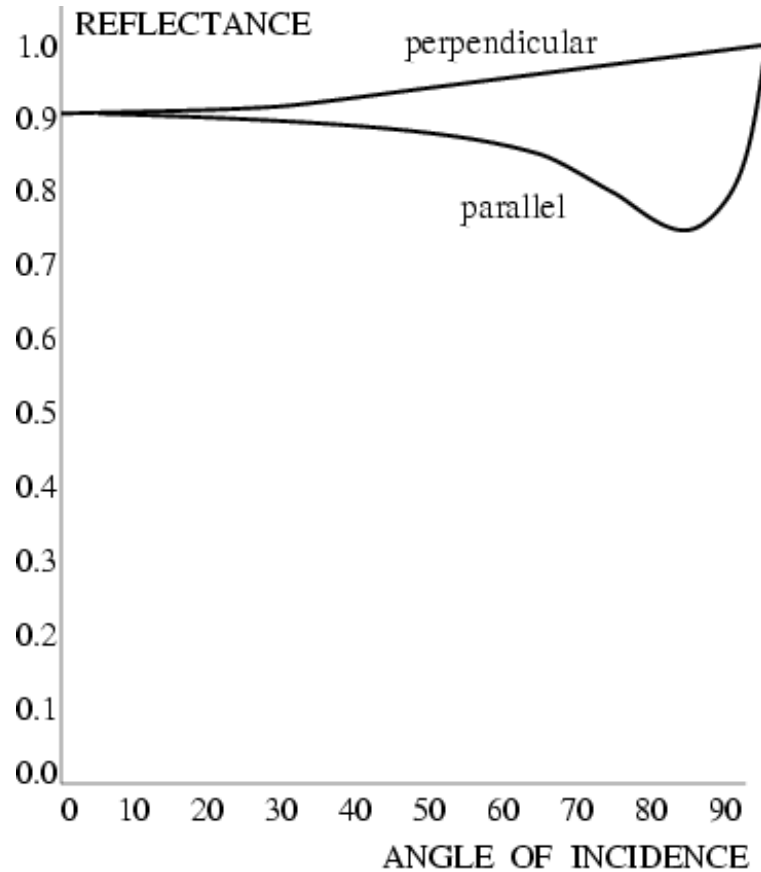
## Reflection : dielectric



Polarizer at *Brewster angle*



## Reflection : conductor



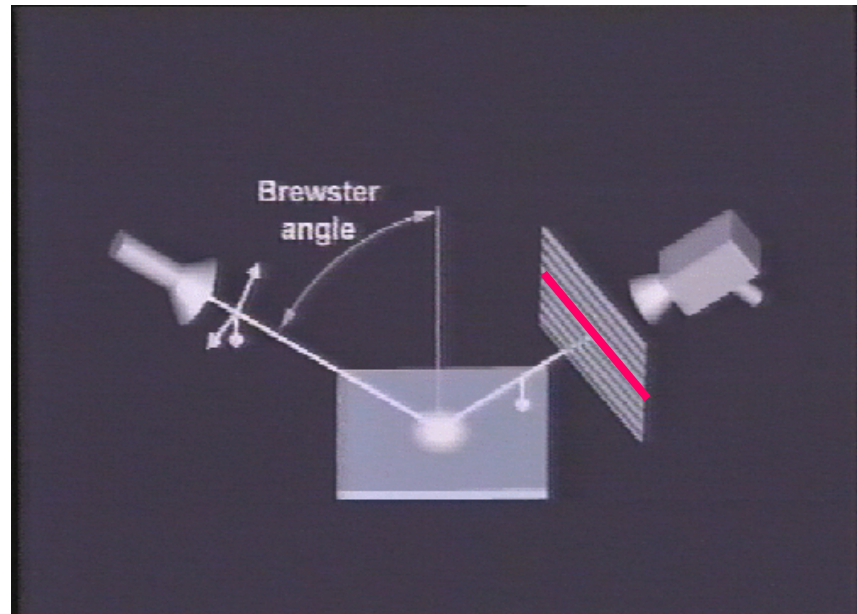
strong reflectors

more or less preserve polarization



## Polarised lighting

distinction between specular reflection from dielectrics and metals;  
works under the Brewster angle for the dielectric  
dielectric has no parallel comp. ; metal does  
suppression of specular reflection from dielectrics :



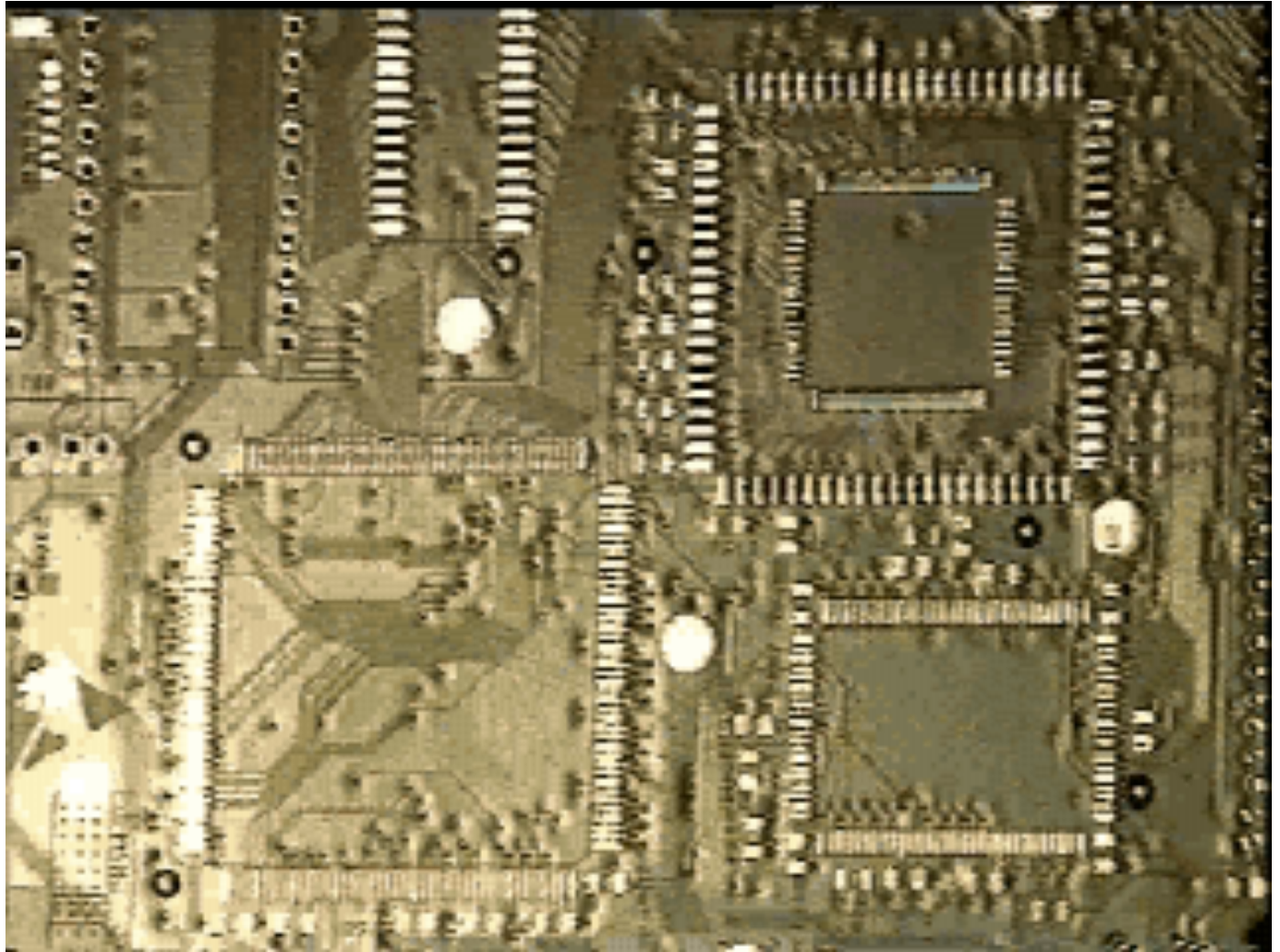
polarizer/analyzer aligned  
distinguished metals and dielectrics



## Example pol. lighting (pol./an. aligned)

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



## Coloured lighting

ACQUIS.

highlight regions of a similar colour

illumination  
cameras

with band-pass filter: only light from projected pattern  
(e.g. monochromatic light from a laser)

differentiation between specular and diffuse reflection

comparing colours  $\Rightarrow$  same spectral composition of  
sources!

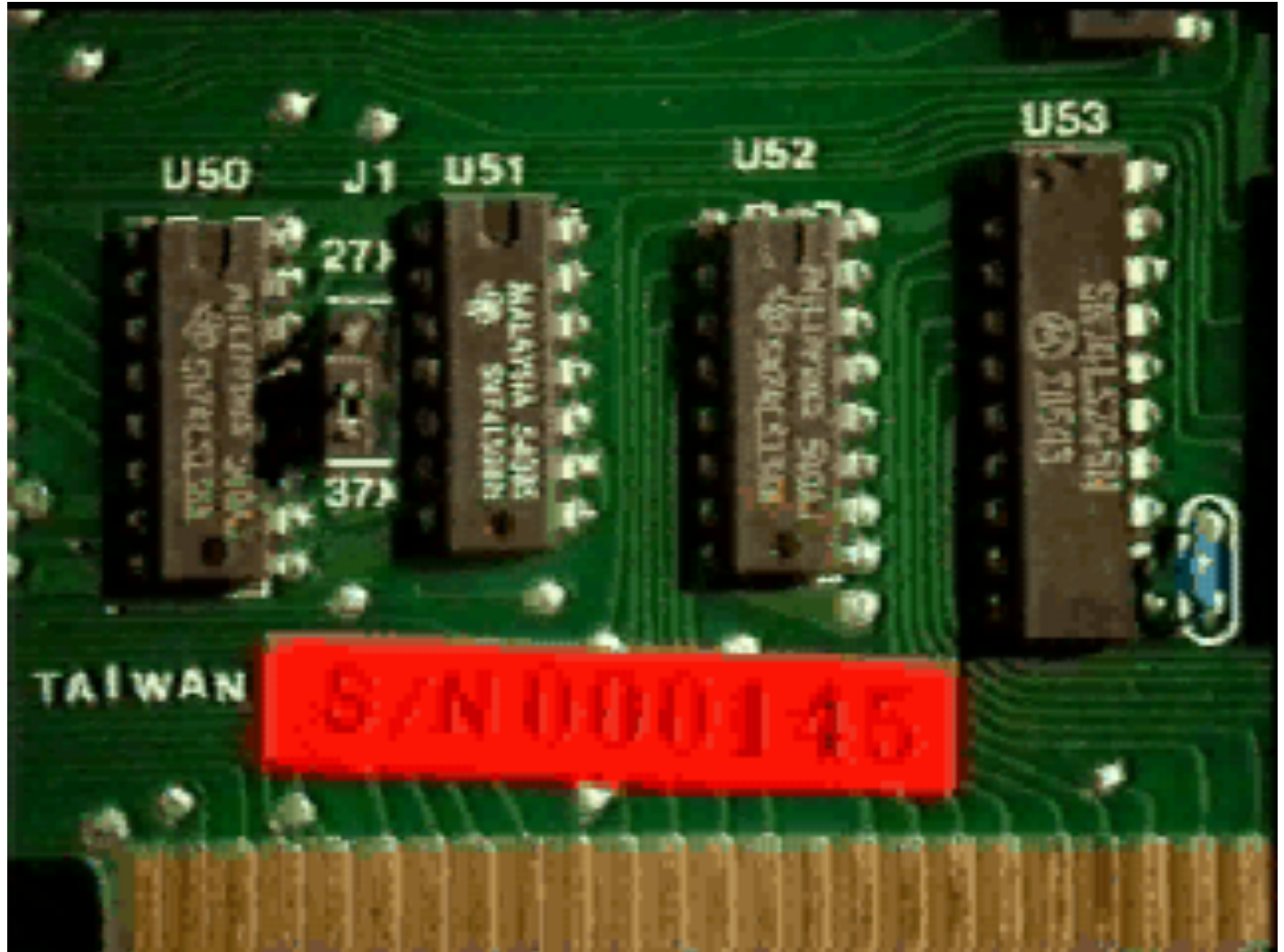
spectral sensitivity function of the sensors!



# Example coloured lighting

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



## Structured and stroboscopic lighting

spatially or temporally modulated light pattern

### Structured lighting

e.g. : 3D shape : objects distort the projected pattern  
(more on this later)

### Stroboscopic lighting

high intensity light flash

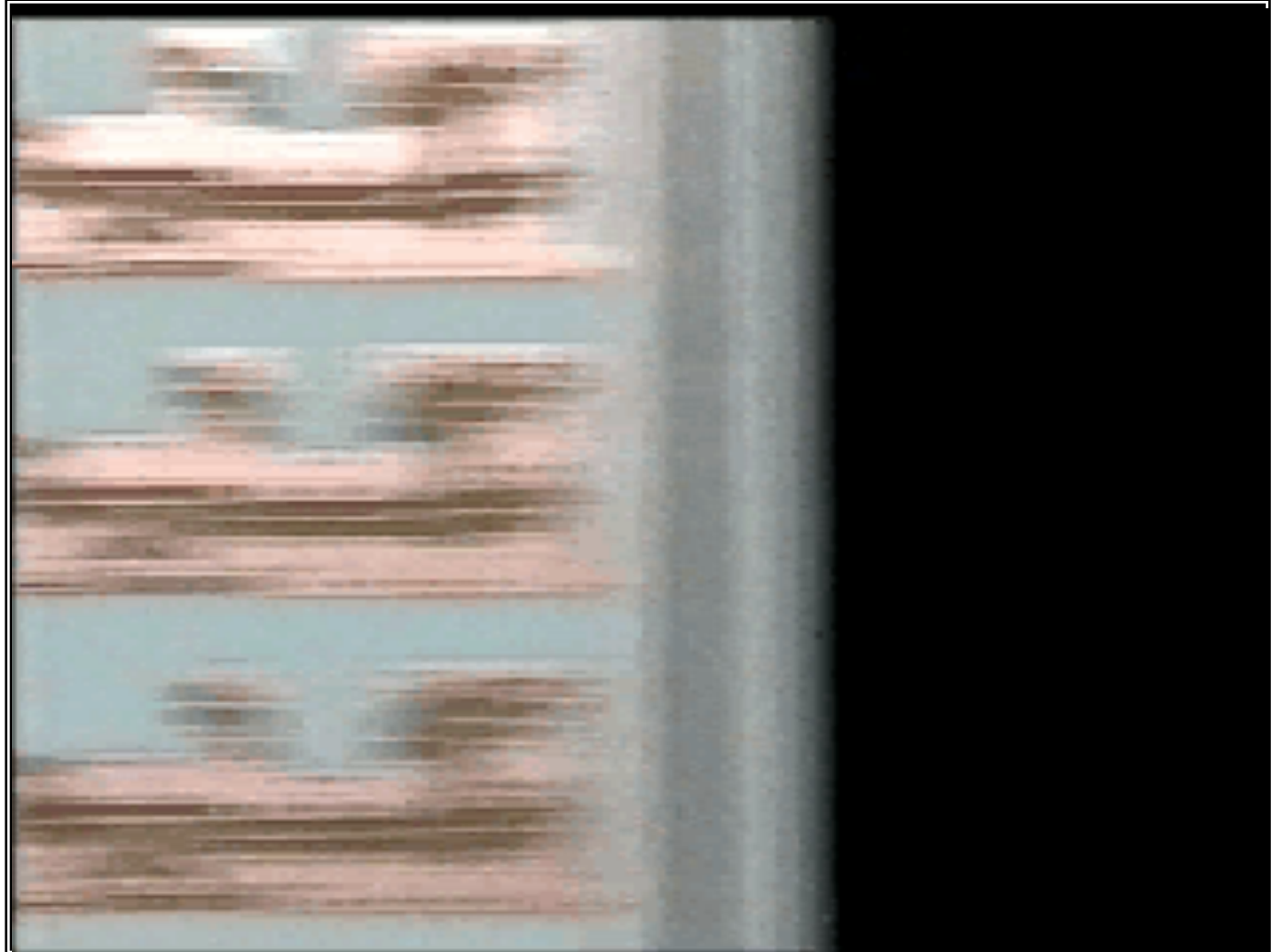
to eliminate motion blur



# Stroboscopic lighting

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras





ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

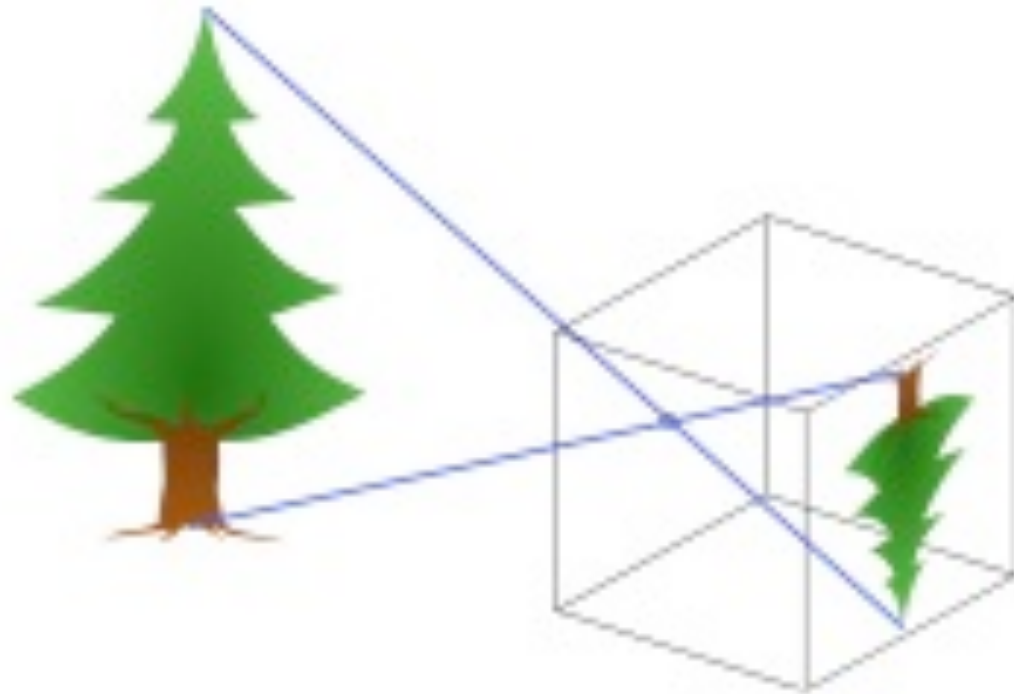


# cameras



## Optics for image formation

the pinhole model :



ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



# Optics for image formation

the pinhole model :

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



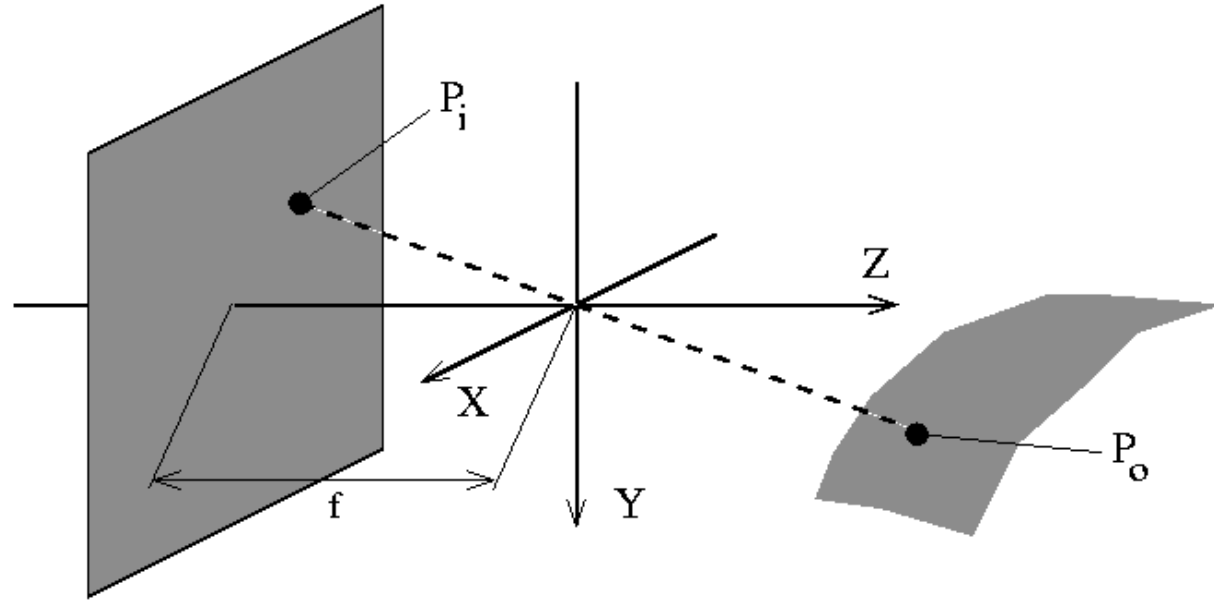
hence the name:

**CAMERA**  
obscura



# Optics for image formation

the pinhole model :



$$\frac{X_i}{X_o} = \frac{Y_i}{Y_o} = \frac{f}{-Z_o} = -m$$

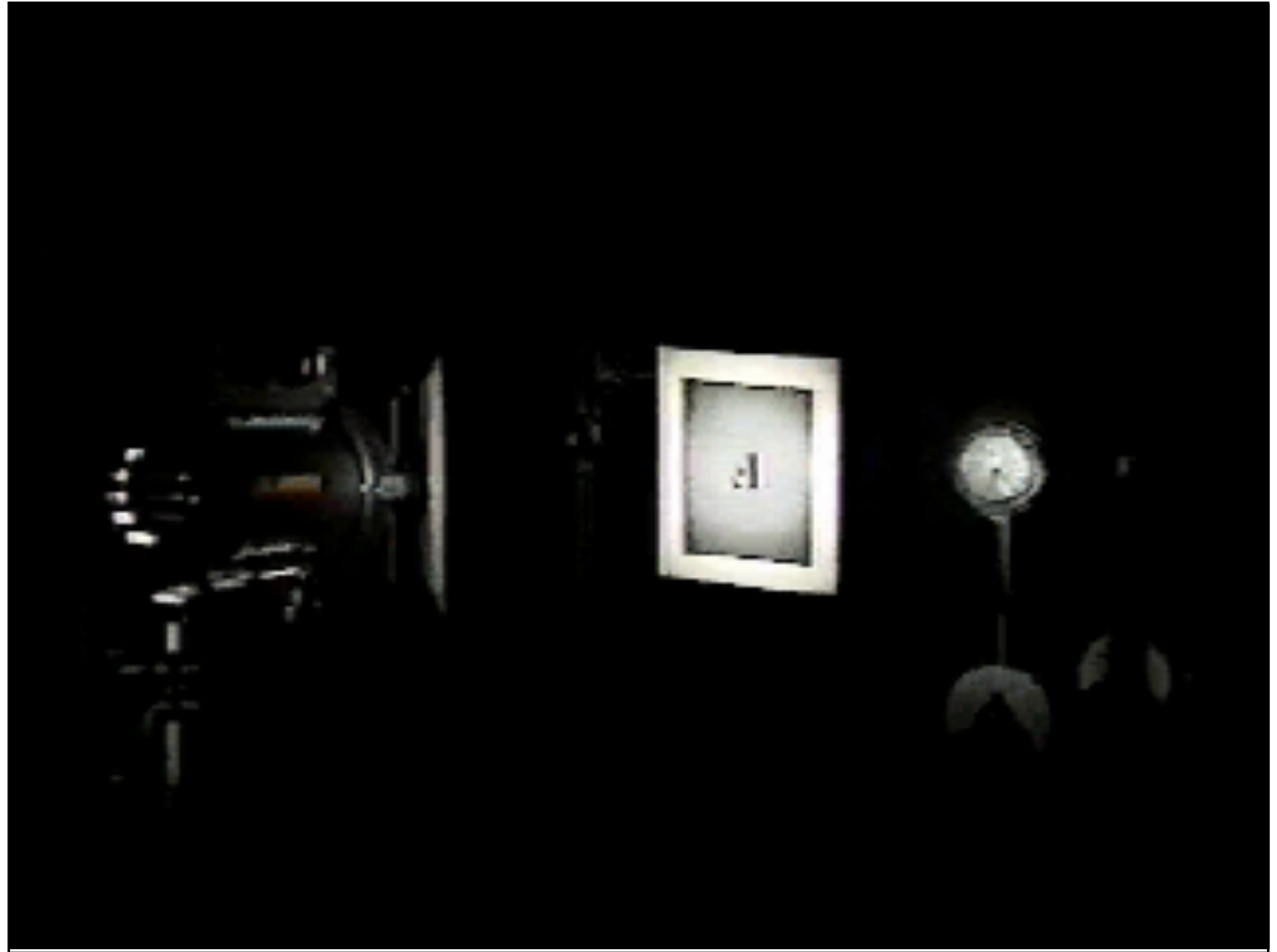
*(m = linear magnification)*



# Camera obscura + lens

ACQUIS.

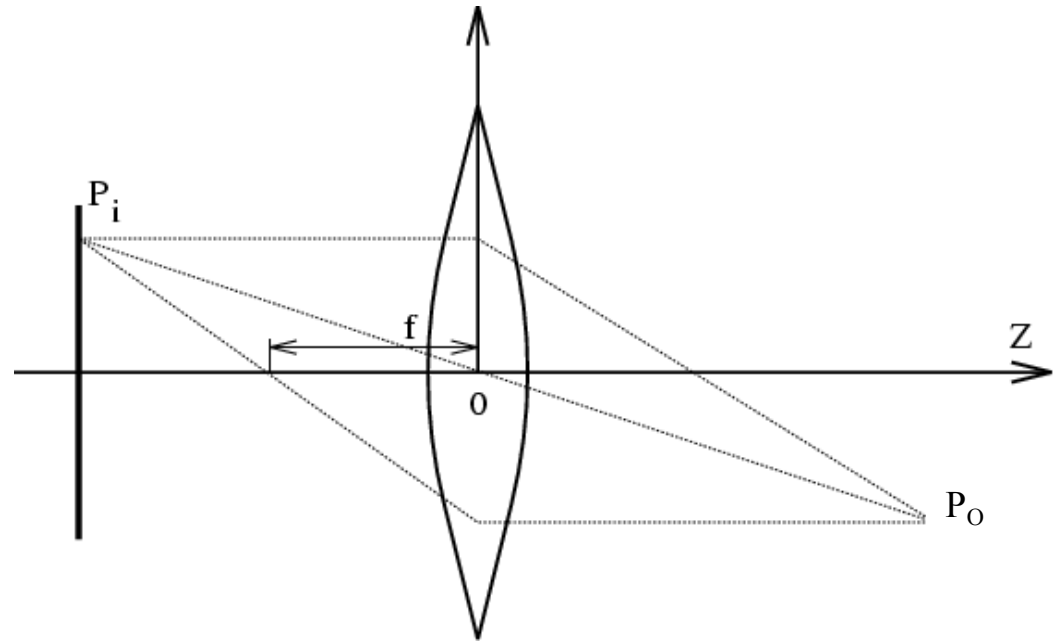
illumination  
cameras



## The thin-lens equation

lens to capture enough light :

$$\frac{1}{Z_o} - \frac{1}{Z_i} = \frac{1}{f}$$



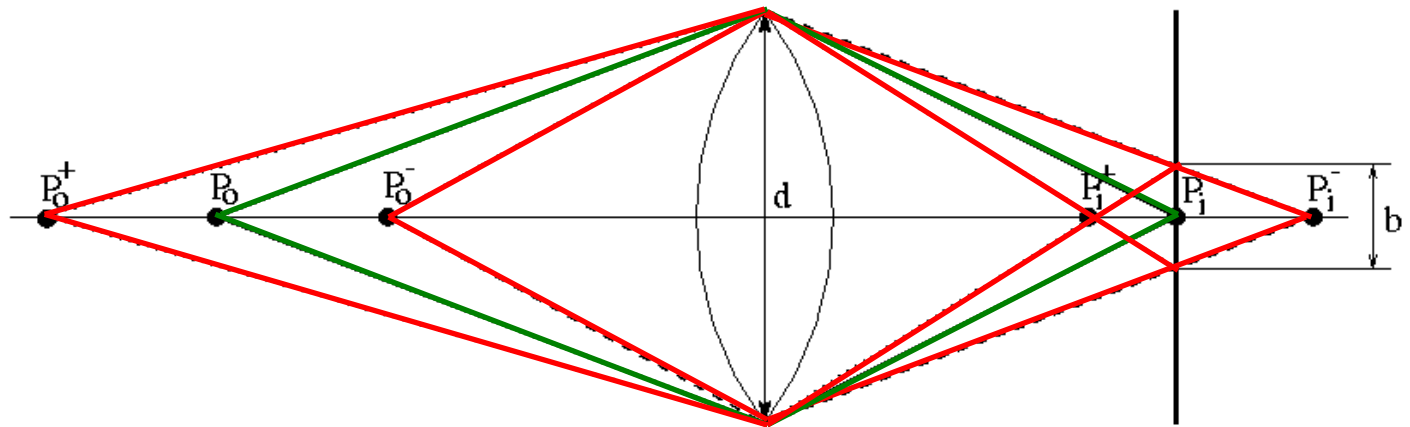
assuming

- spherical lens surfaces
- incoming light  $\pm$  parallel to axis
- thickness  $\ll$  radii
- same refractive index on both sides



# The depth-of-field

Only reasonable sharpness in Z-interval



$$\Delta Z_0^- = Z_0 - Z_0^- = \frac{Z_0(Z_0 - f)}{Z_0 + f \frac{d}{b} - f}$$

decreases with  $d$ , increases with  $Z_0$

strike a balance between incoming light ( $d$ ) and large depth-of-field (usable depth range)

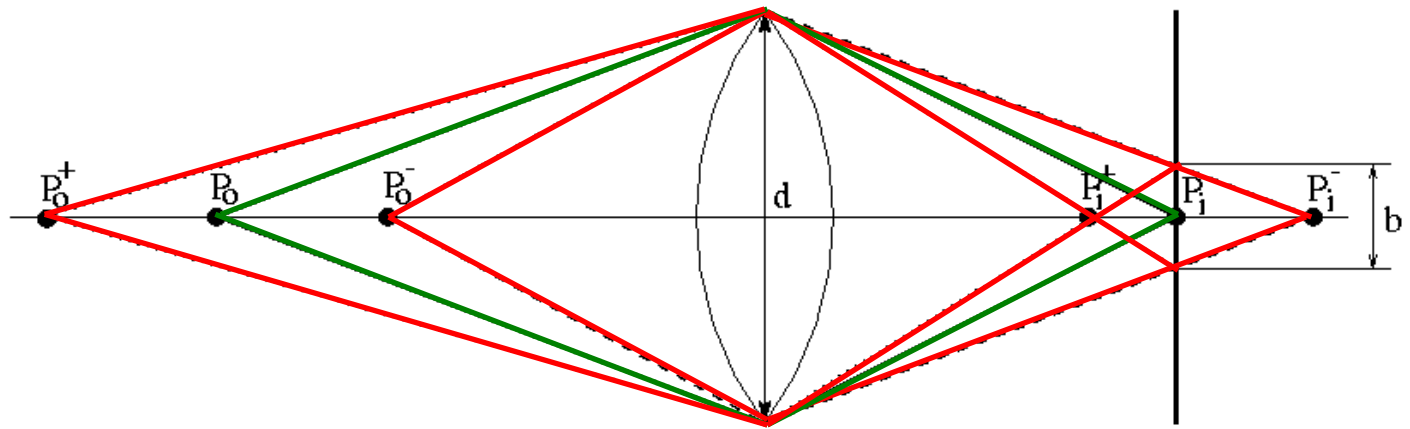




# The depth-of-field

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



$$\Delta Z_0^- = Z_0 - Z_0^- = \frac{Z_0(Z_0 - f)}{Z_0 + f d / b - f}$$

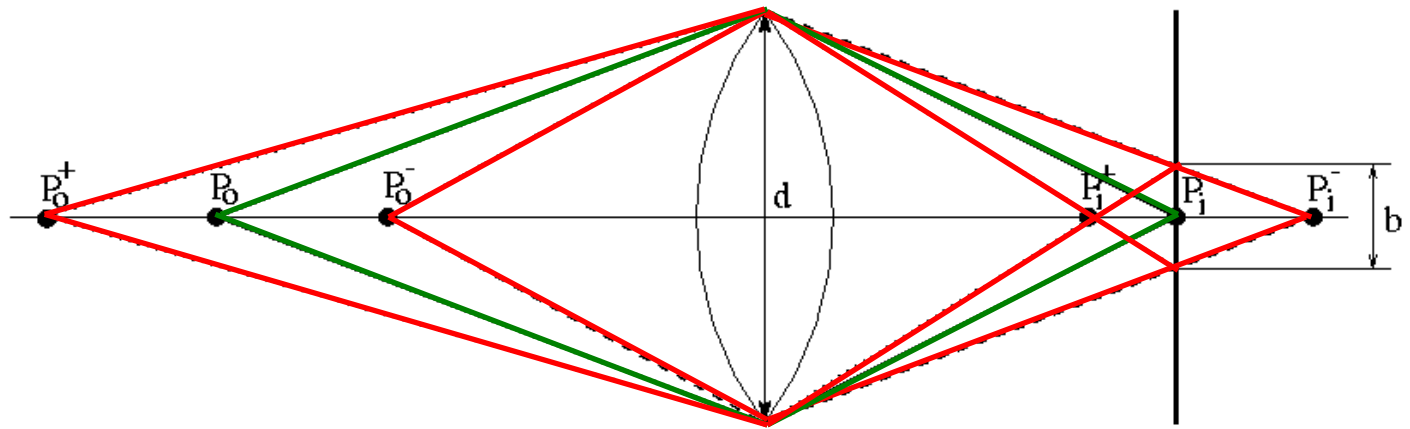
Similar expression for  $Z_0^+ - Z_0$



# The depth-of-field

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



$$\Delta Z_0^- = Z_0 - Z_0^- = \frac{Z_0(Z_0 - f)}{Z_0 + f d / b - f}$$

Ex 1: microscopes -> small DoF

Ex 2: special effects -> flood miniature scene with light



## Deviations from the lens model

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

3 assumptions :

1. all rays from a point are focused onto 1 image point
2. all image points in a single plane
3. magnification is constant

deviations from this ideal are *aberrations*



# Aberrations

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

2 types :

1. geometrical

2. chromatic

*geometrical* : small for paraxial rays

*chromatic* : refractive index function of  
wavelength (Snell's law !!)



## Geometrical aberrations

spherical aberration

astigmatism

radial distortion

coma

the most important type



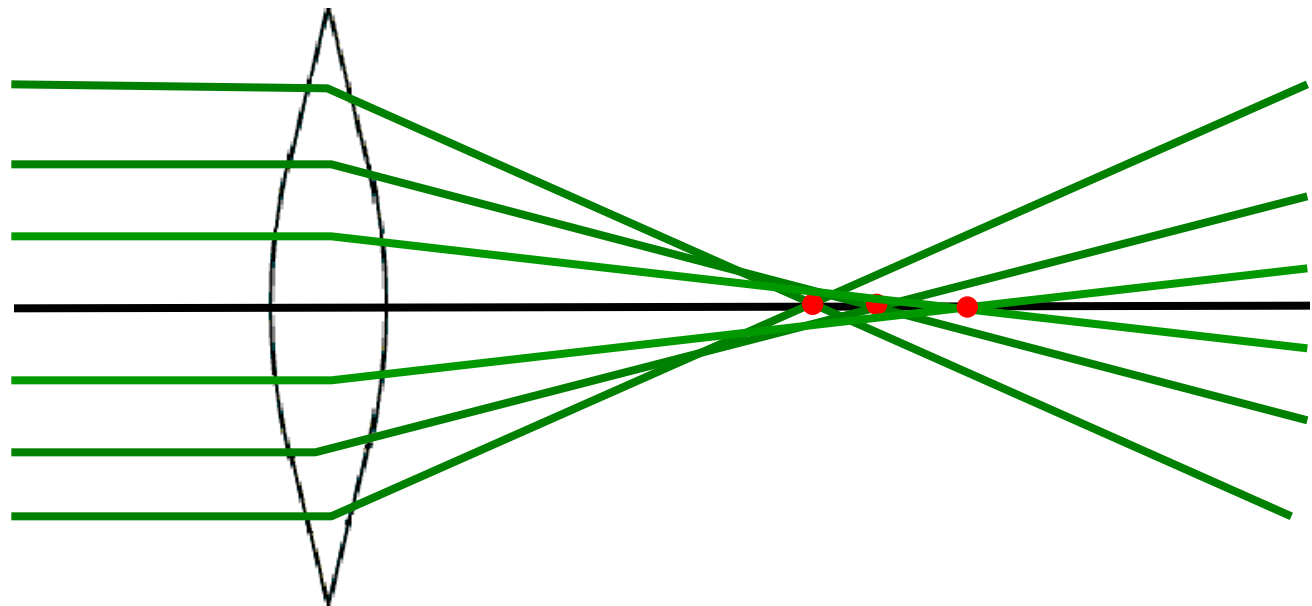
# Spherical aberration

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

rays parallel to the axis do not converge

outer portions of the lens yield smaller  
focal lengths



## Radial Distortion

magnification different for different angles of inclination



*barrel*



*none*



*pincushion*

## Radial Distortion

magnification different for different angles of inclination



*barrel*



*none*



*pincushion*

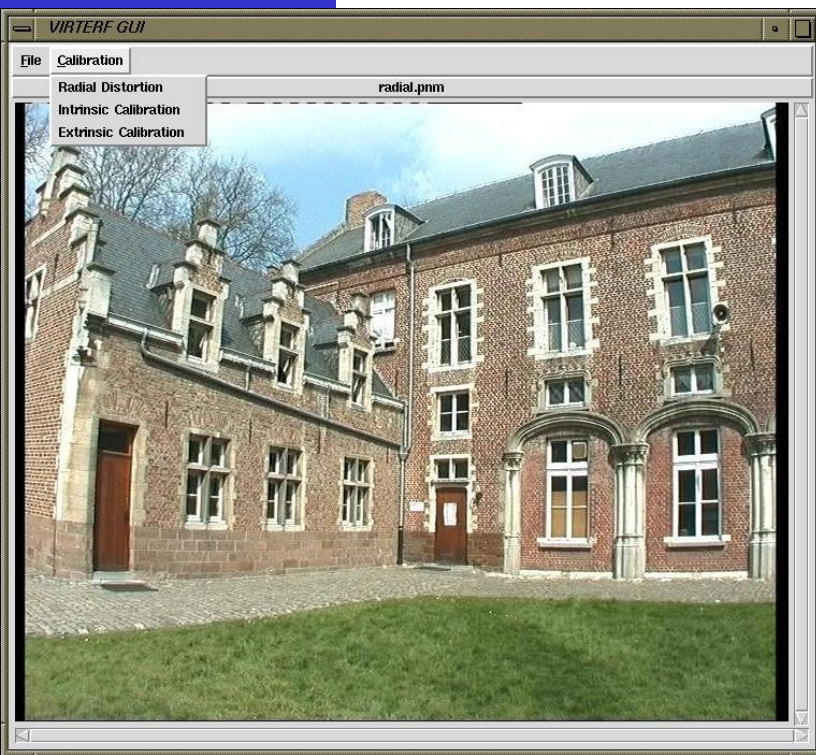
- The result is pixels moving along lines  
through the center of the distortion
- typically close to the image center – over a distance  $d$ ,  
depending on the pixels' distance  $r$  to the center

$$d = (1 + \kappa_1 r^2 + \kappa_2 r^4 + \dots)$$



## Radial Distortion

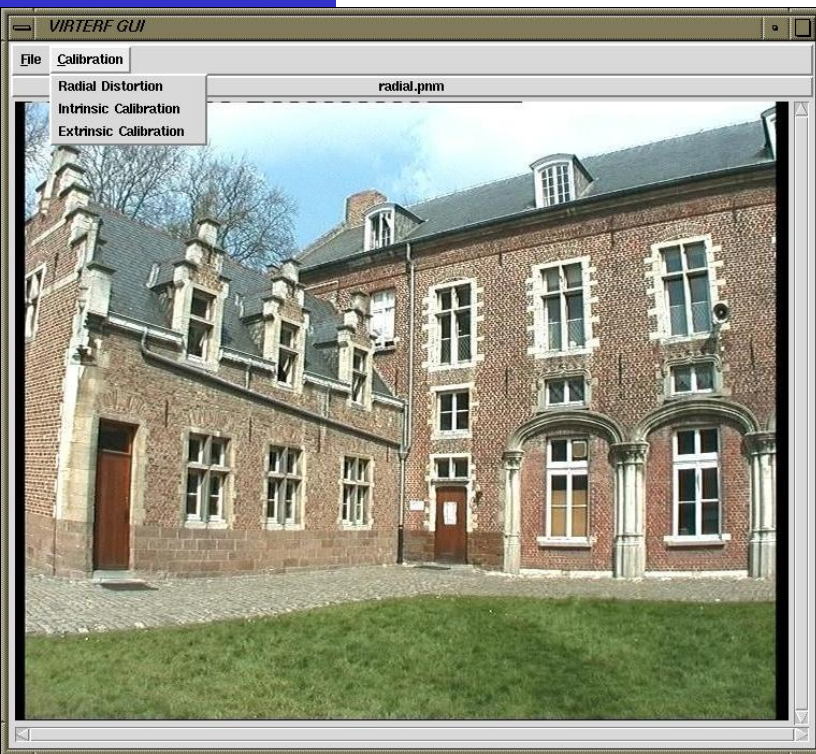
magnification different for different angles of inclination



This aberration type can be corrected by software if the parameters  $(\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots)$  are known

## Radial Distortion

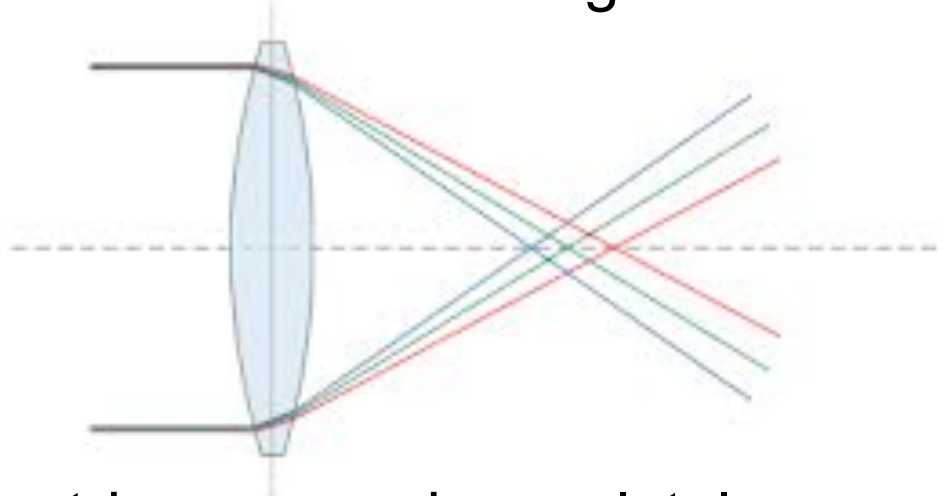
magnification different for different angles of inclination



Some methods do this by looking how straight lines curve instead of being straight

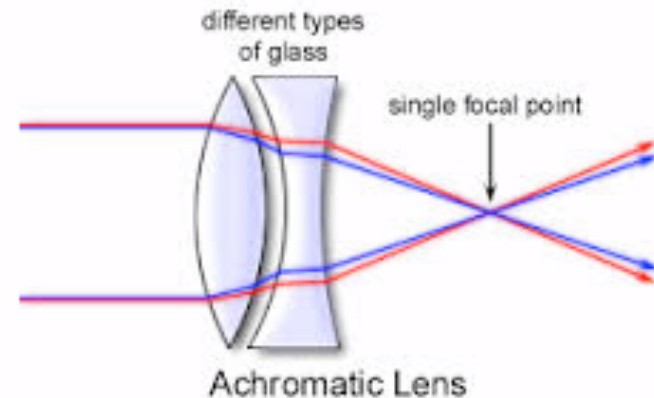
# Chromatic aberration

rays of different wavelengths focused in different planes



The image is blurred and appears colored at the fringe.

cannot be removed completely  
but *achromatization* can be achieved at some well  
chosen wavelength pair, by  
combining lenses made of  
different glasses

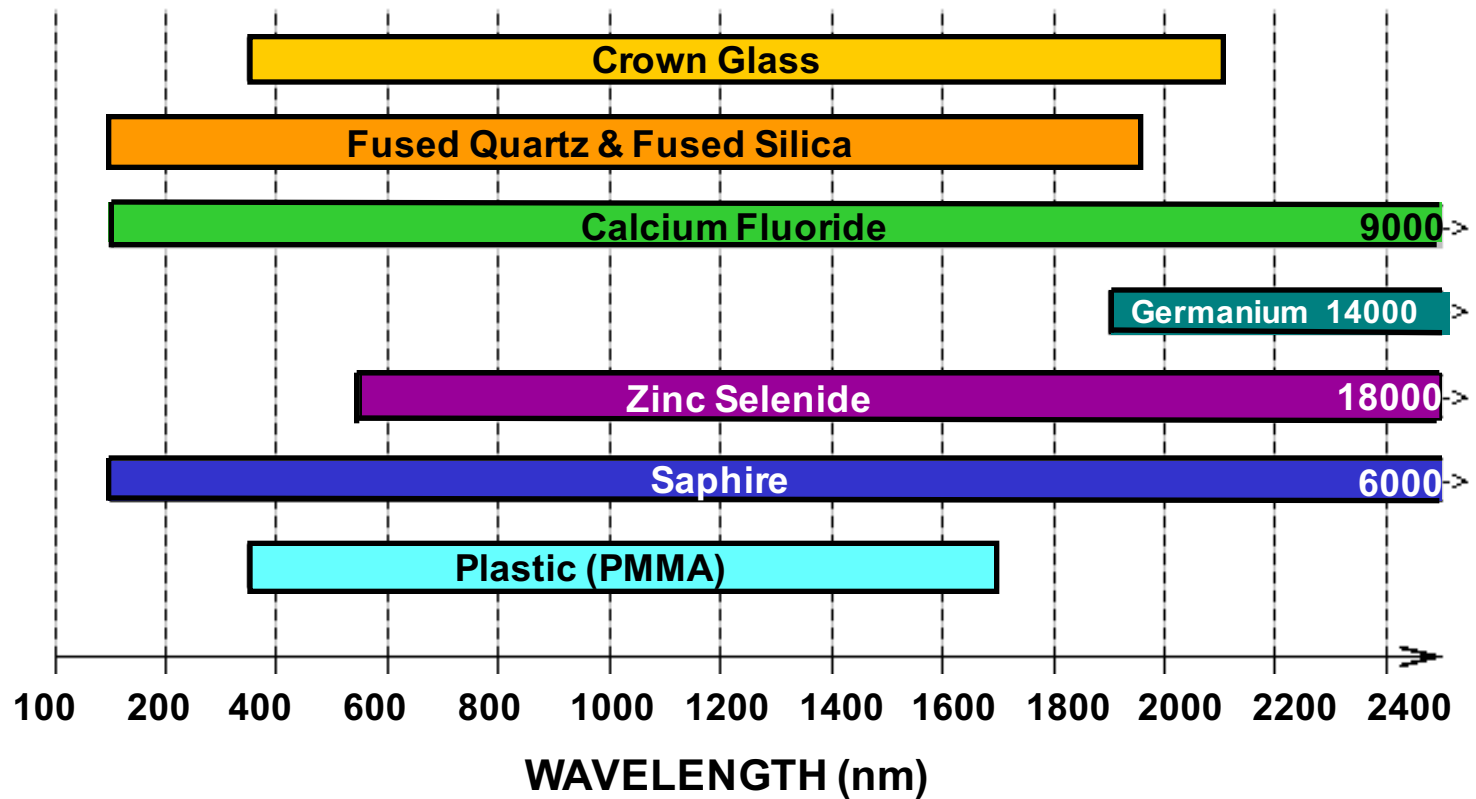


sometimes *achromatization*  
is achieved for more than 2 wavelengths



# Lens materials

ACQUIS.  
illumination  
cameras



the figure shows wavelengths that materials let pass

**additional considerations :**

humidity and temperature resistance, weight, price,...



ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

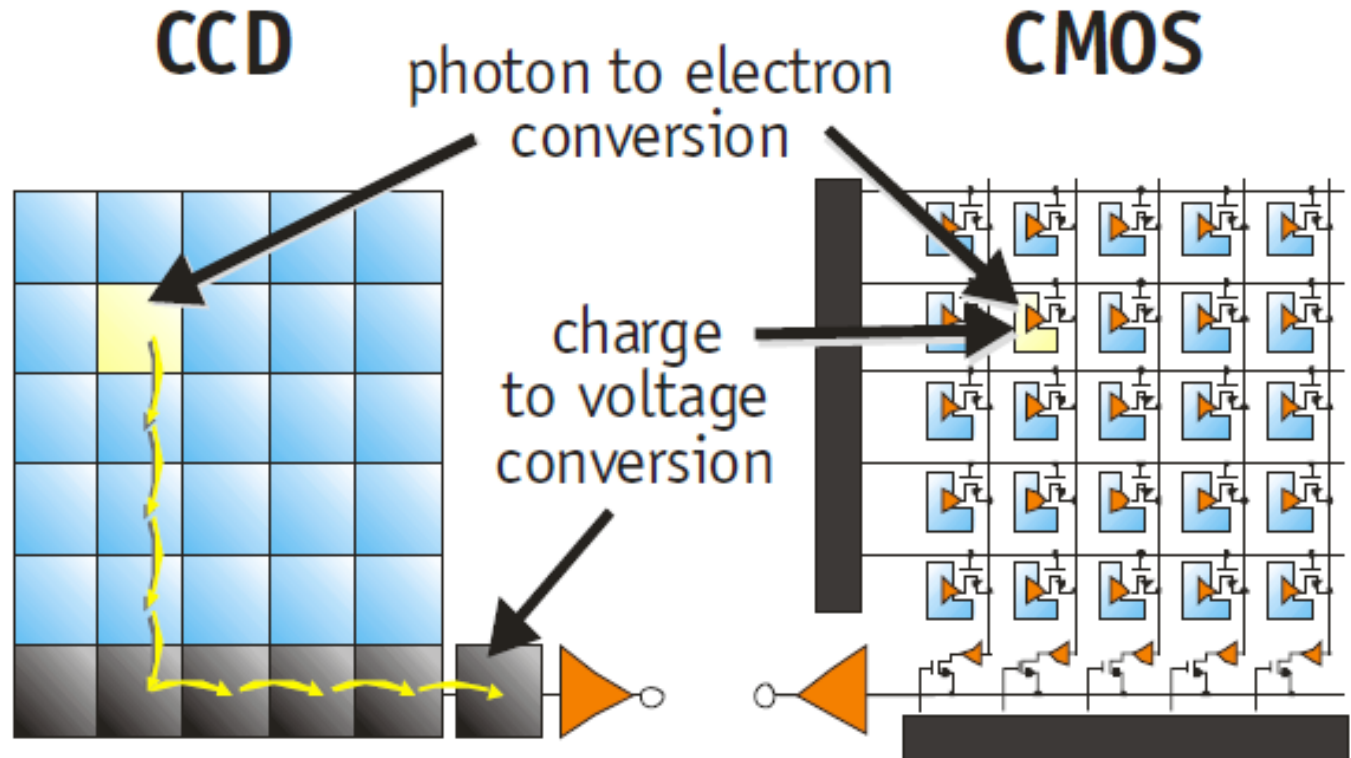
we consider 2 types :

1. CCD

2. CMOS



ACQUIS.  
illumination  
cameras



CCD = Charge-coupled device

CMOS = Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor

# CCD

separate photo sensor at regular positions  
no scanning

charge-coupled devices (CCDs)

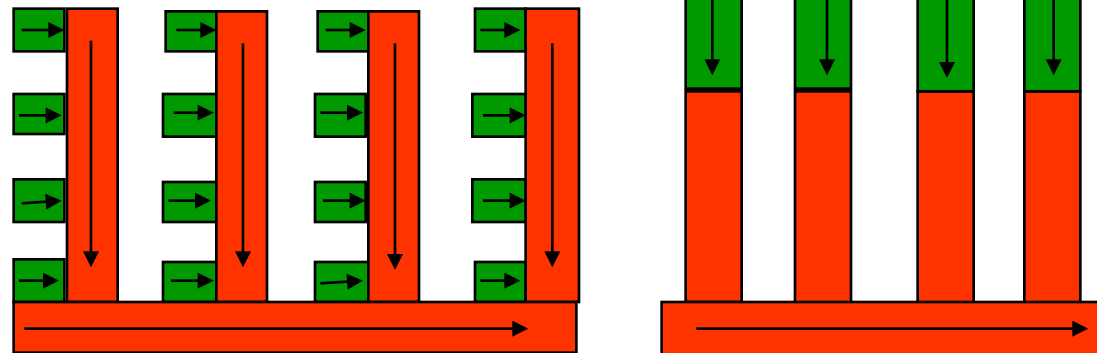
area CCDs and linear CCDs

2 area architectures :

*interline transfer* and *frame transfer*

■ photosensitive

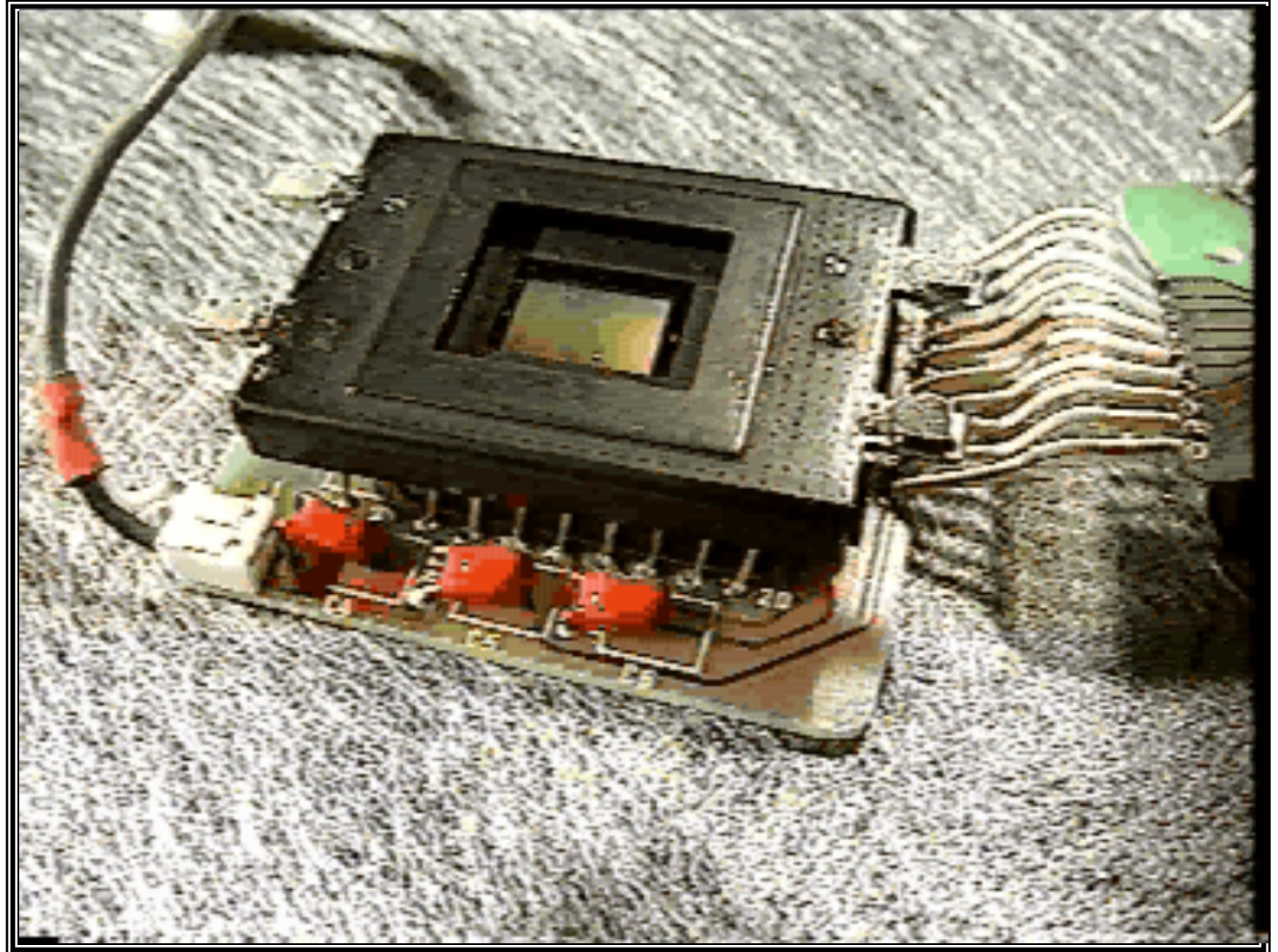
■ storage



# The CCD (inter-line) camera

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras





# CMOS

Same sensor elements as CCD

Each photo sensor has its own amplifier

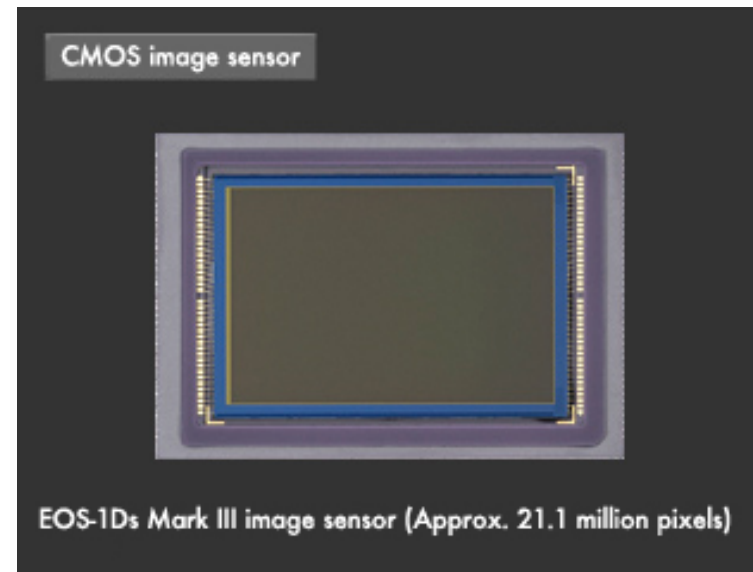
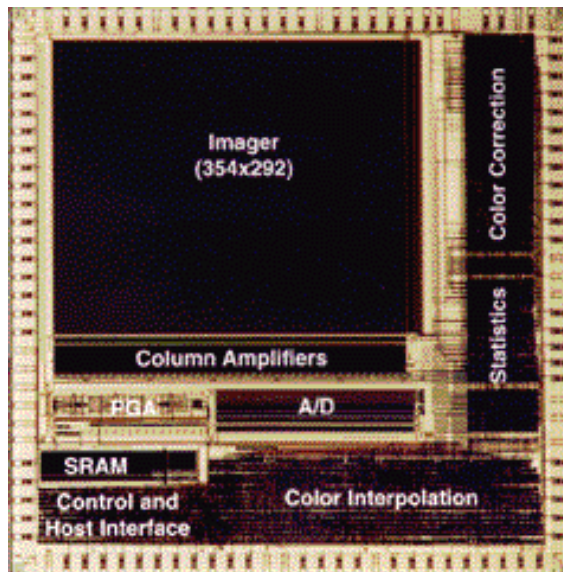
More noise (reduced by subtracting 'black' image)

Lower sensitivity (lower fill rate)

Uses standard CMOS technology

Allows to put other components on chip

'Smart' pixels

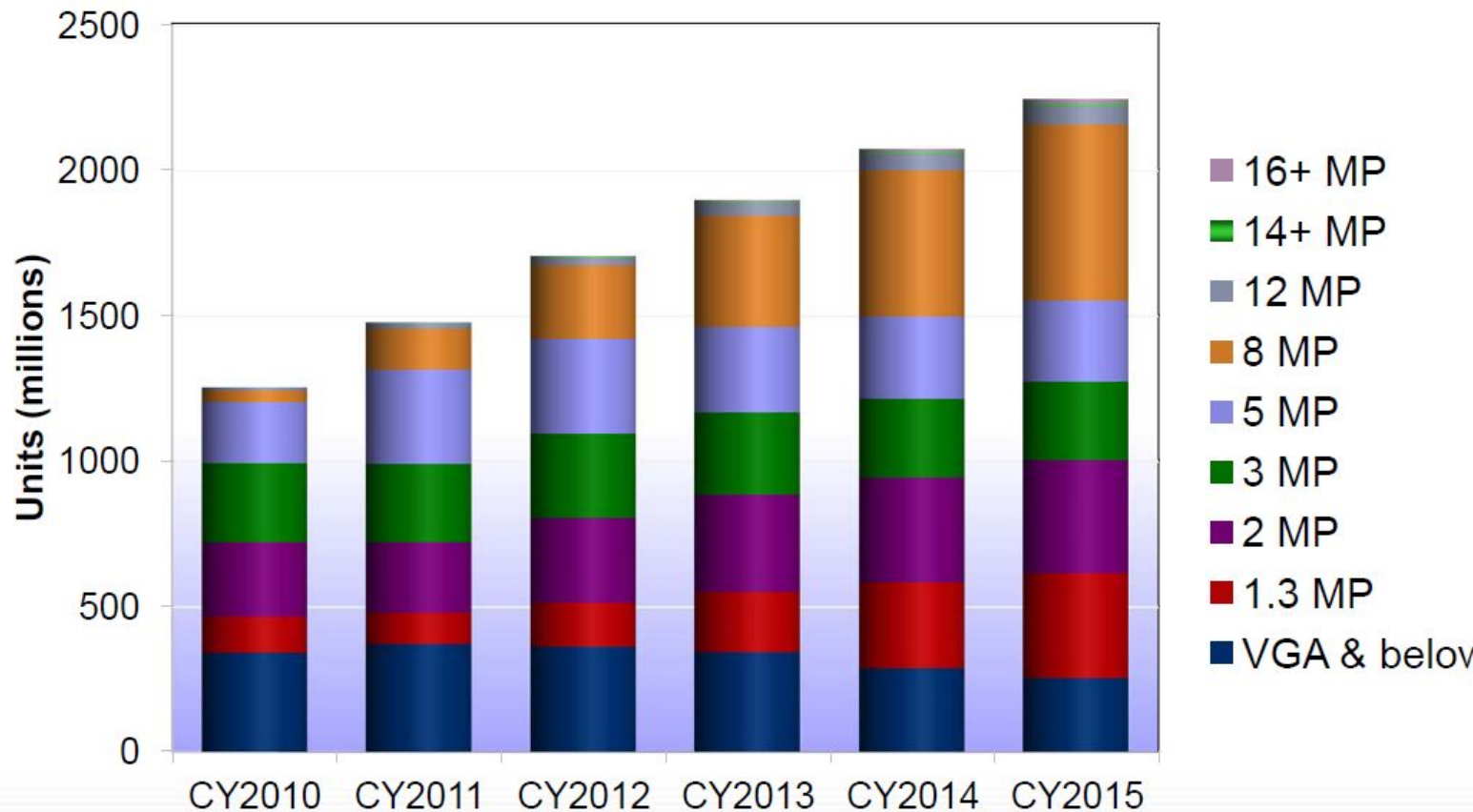


ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

## Resolution trend in mobile phones

*Volume and revenue opportunity for high resolution sensors*



Source: TSR, CCD/CMOS Area Image Sensor Market Analysis, dated June 2011

## CCD vs. CMOS

- Niche applications
- Specific technology
- High production cost
- High power consumption
- Higher fill rate
- Blooming
- Sequential readout
- Consumer cameras
- Standard IC technology
- Cheap
- Low power
- Less sensitive
- Per pixel amplification
- Random pixel access
- Smart pixels
- On chip integration with other components



2006 was year of sales cross-over

## CCD vs. CMOS

- Niche applications
- Specific technology
- High production cost
- High power consumption
- Higher fill rate
- Blooming
- Sequential readout
- Consumer cameras
- Standard IC technology
- Cheap
- Low power
- Less sensitive
- Per pixel amplification
- Random pixel access
- Smart pixels
- On chip integration with other components



In 2015 Sony said to stop CCD chip production

## Colour cameras

We consider 3 concepts:

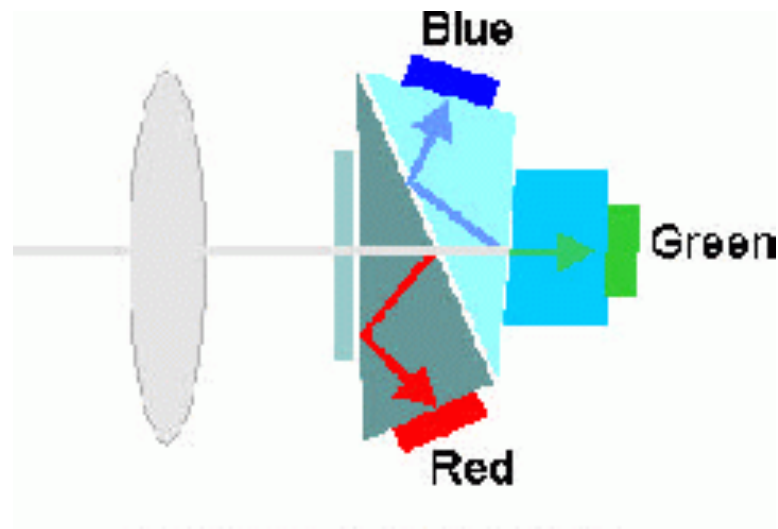
1. Prism (with 3 sensors)
2. Filter mosaic
3. Filter wheel

## Prism colour camera

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

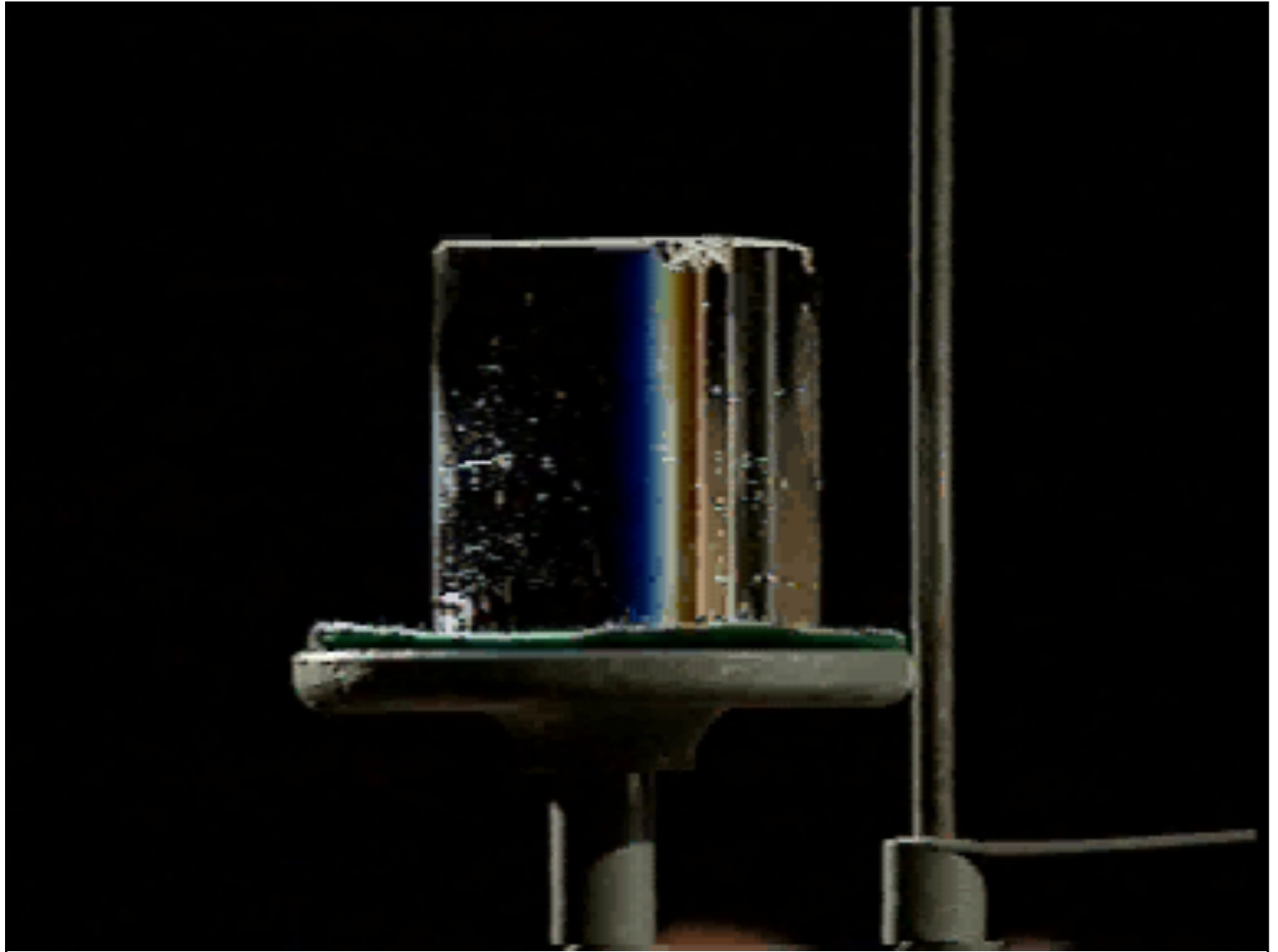
Separate light in 3 beams using dichroic prism  
Requires 3 sensors & precise alignment  
Good color separation



## Prism colour camera

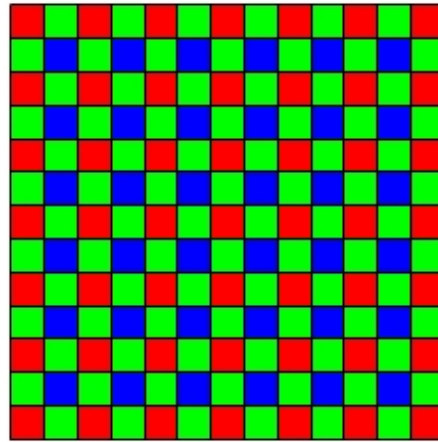
ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

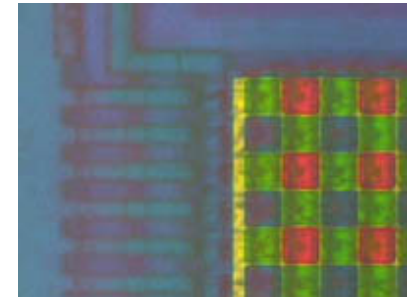


# Filter mosaic

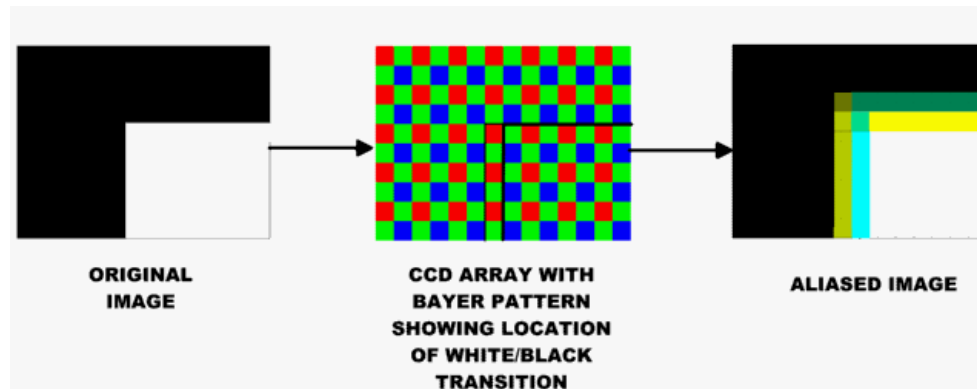
Coat filter directly on sensor



**Bayer filter**



Demosaicing (obtain full colour & full resolution image)



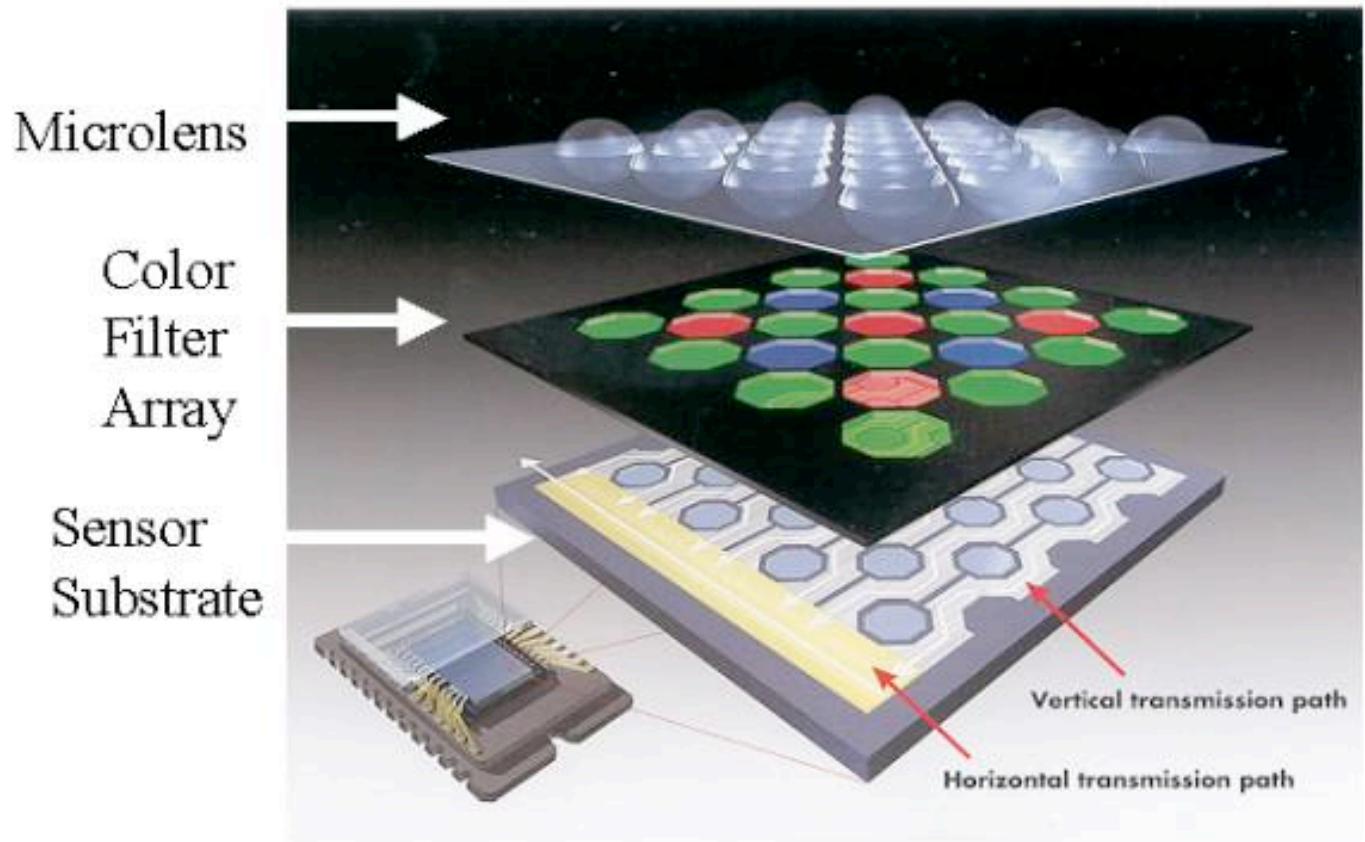
ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



# Filter mosaic

## Sensor Architecture

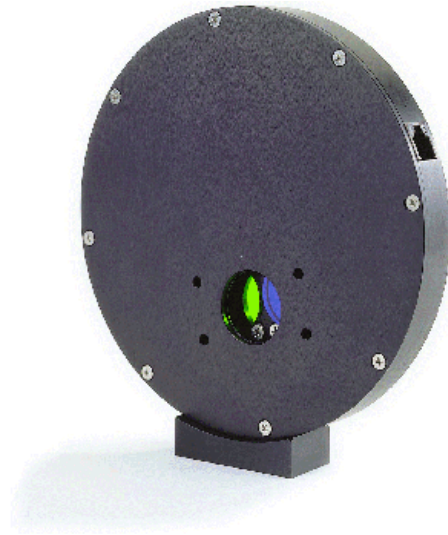


*Fuji Corporation*

Color filters lower the effective resolution, hence **microlenses** often added to gain more light on the small pixels

## Filter wheel

Rotate multiple filters in front of lens  
Allows more than 3 colour bands



Only suitable for static scenes

# Prism vs. mosaic vs. wheel

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

approach

# sensors

Resolution

Cost

Framerate

Artefacts

Bands

Prism

3

High

High

High

Low

3

High-end  
cameras

Mosaic

1

Average

Low

High

Aliasing

3

Low-end  
cameras

Wheel

1

Good

Average

Low

Motion

3 or more

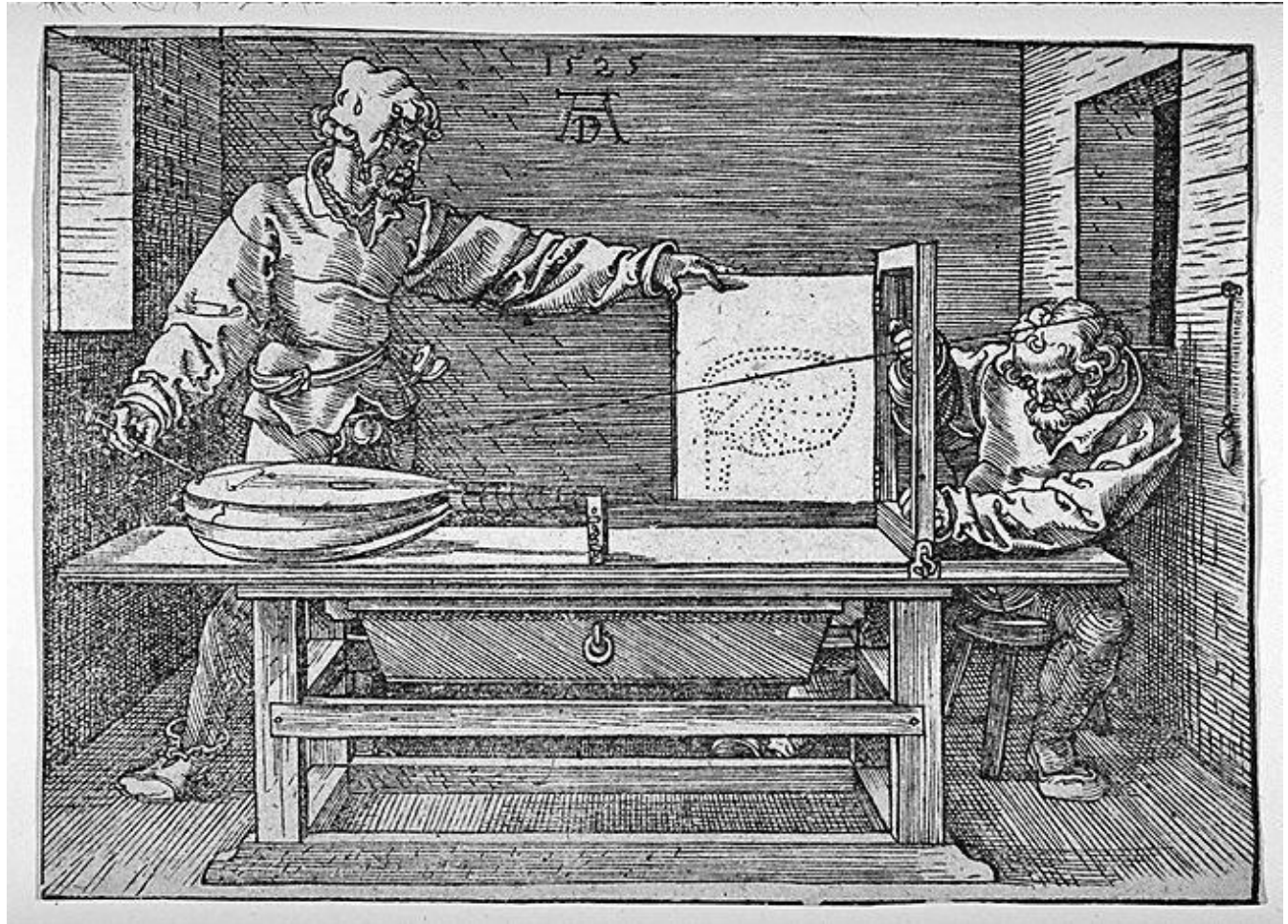
Scientific  
applications

# Geometric camera model

perspective projection

ACQUIS.

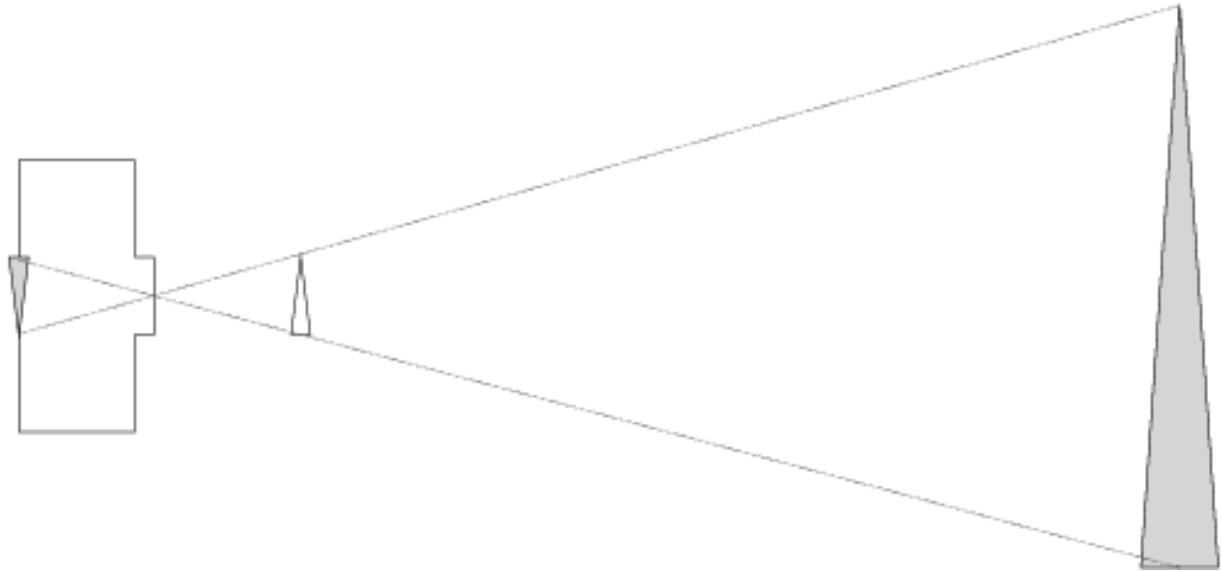
illumination  
cameras



(Man Drawing a Lute, woodcut, 1525, Albrecht Dürer)

## Models for camera projection

the pinhole model revisited :



center of the lens = center of projection

notice the virtual image plane

this is called *perspective* projection

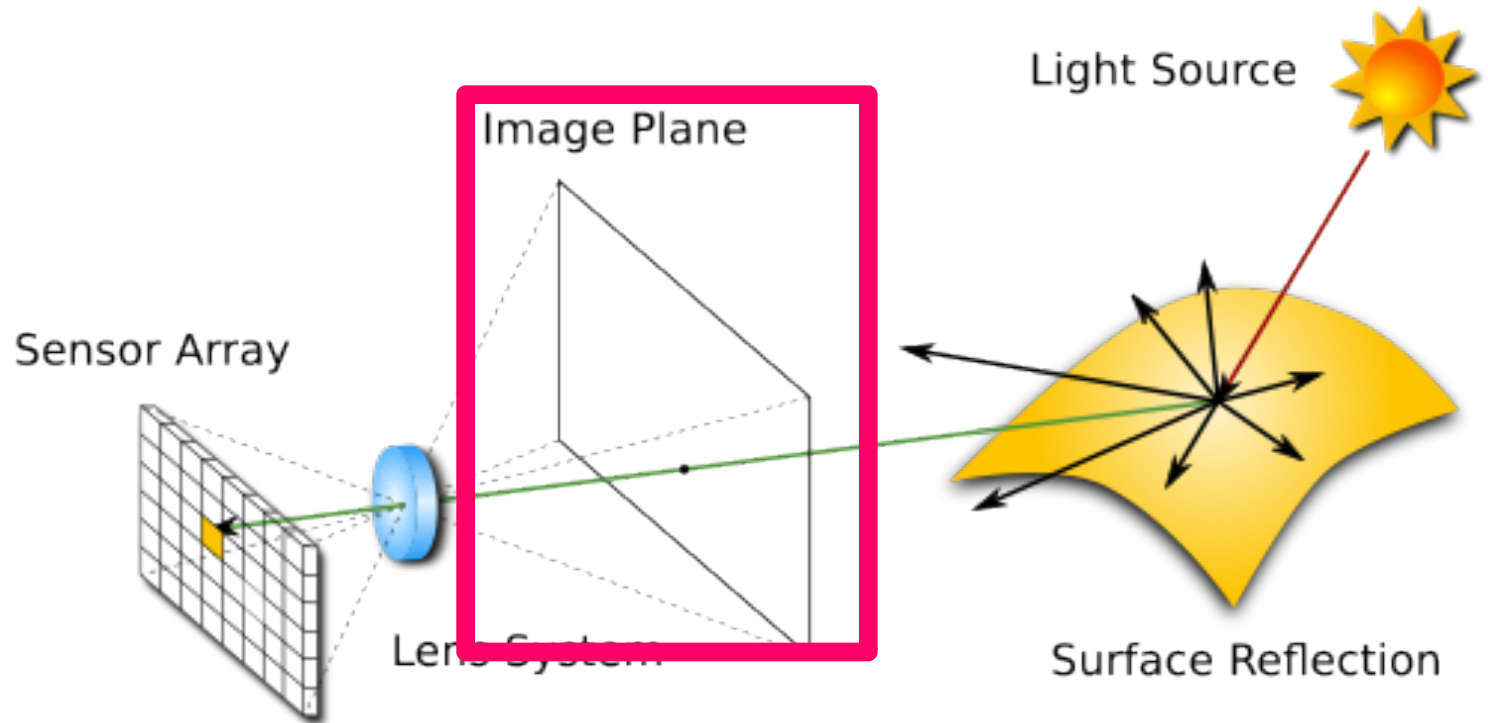


# Models for camera projection

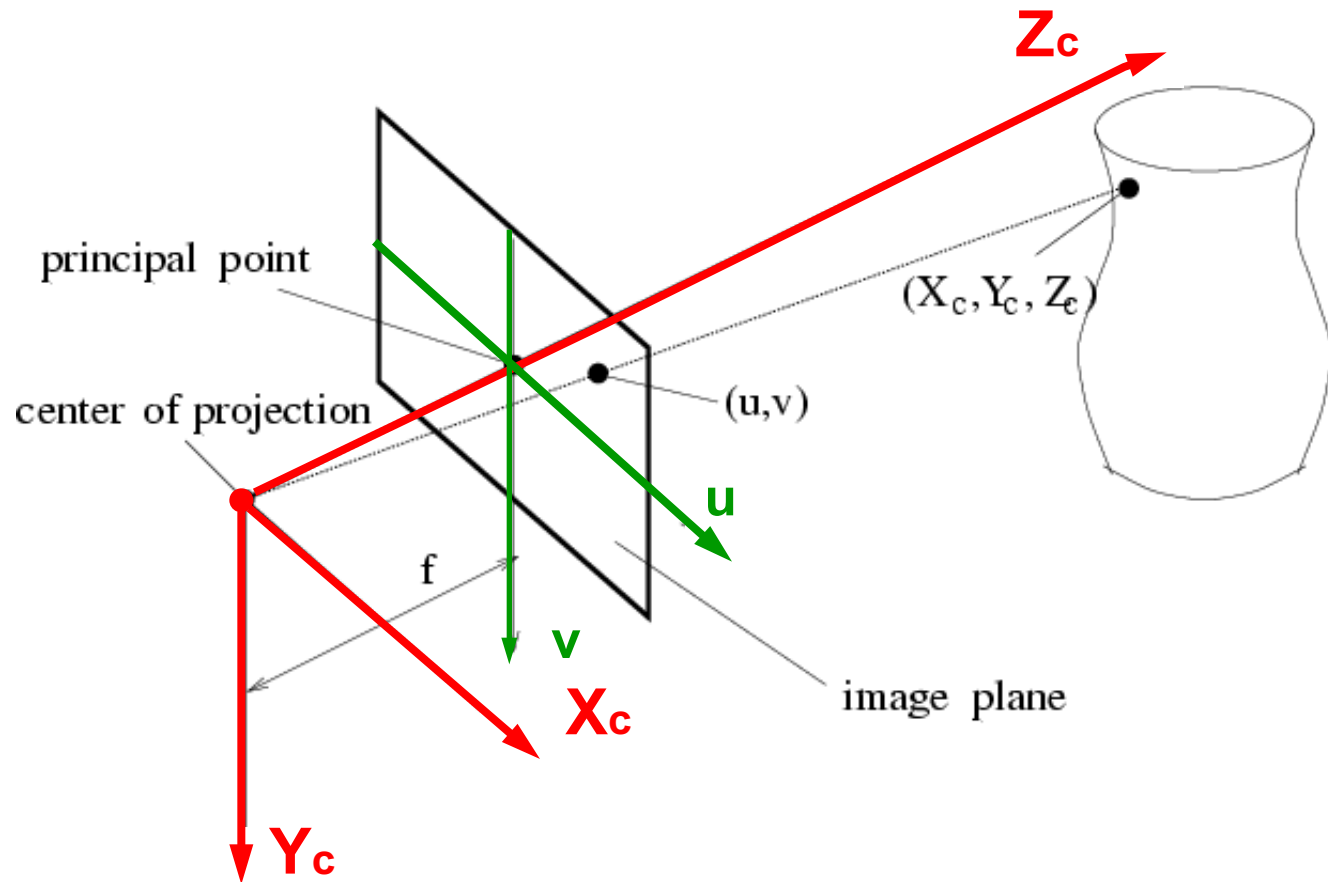
ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

We had the virtual plane also in the original reference sketch:



# Perspective projection



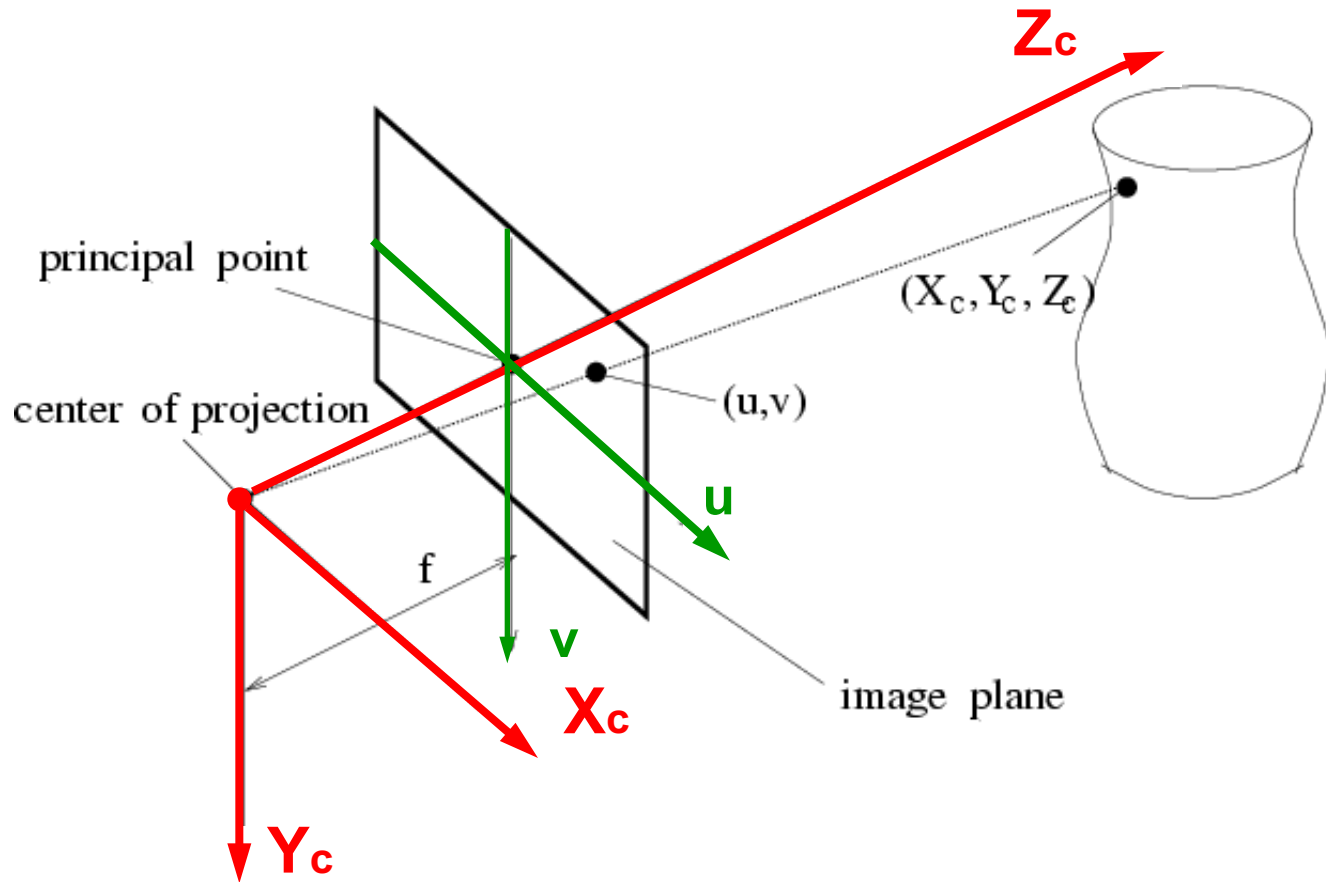
- ❑ origin lies at the center of projection
- ❑ the  $Z_c$  axis coincides with the optical axis
- ❑  $X_c$ -axis || to image rows,  $Y_c$ -axis || to columns



# Perspective projection

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



$$u = f \frac{X}{Z} \quad v = f \frac{Y}{Z}$$





## Pseudo-orthographic projection

$$u = f \frac{X}{Z} \qquad v = f \frac{Y}{Z}$$

If  $Z$  is constant  $\Rightarrow x = kX$  and  $y = kY$ ,  
where  $k = f/Z$

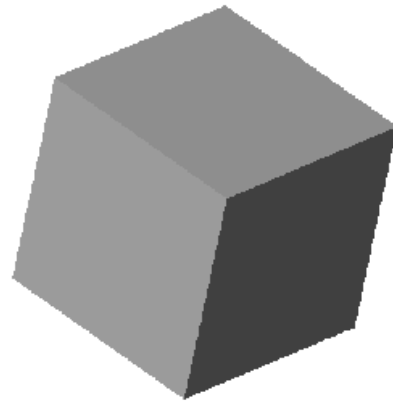
i.e. *orthographic* projection + a scaling

Good approximation if  $f/Z \pm$  constant, i.e. if objects are small compared to their distance from the camera

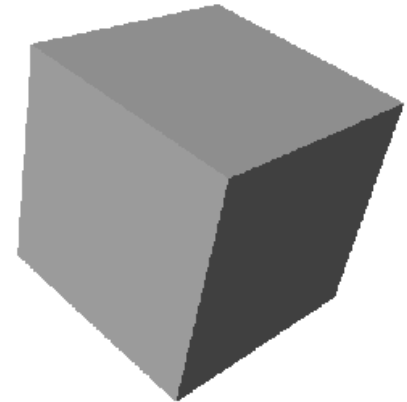


## Pictorial comparison

**Pseudo -  
orthographic**



**Perspective**



ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



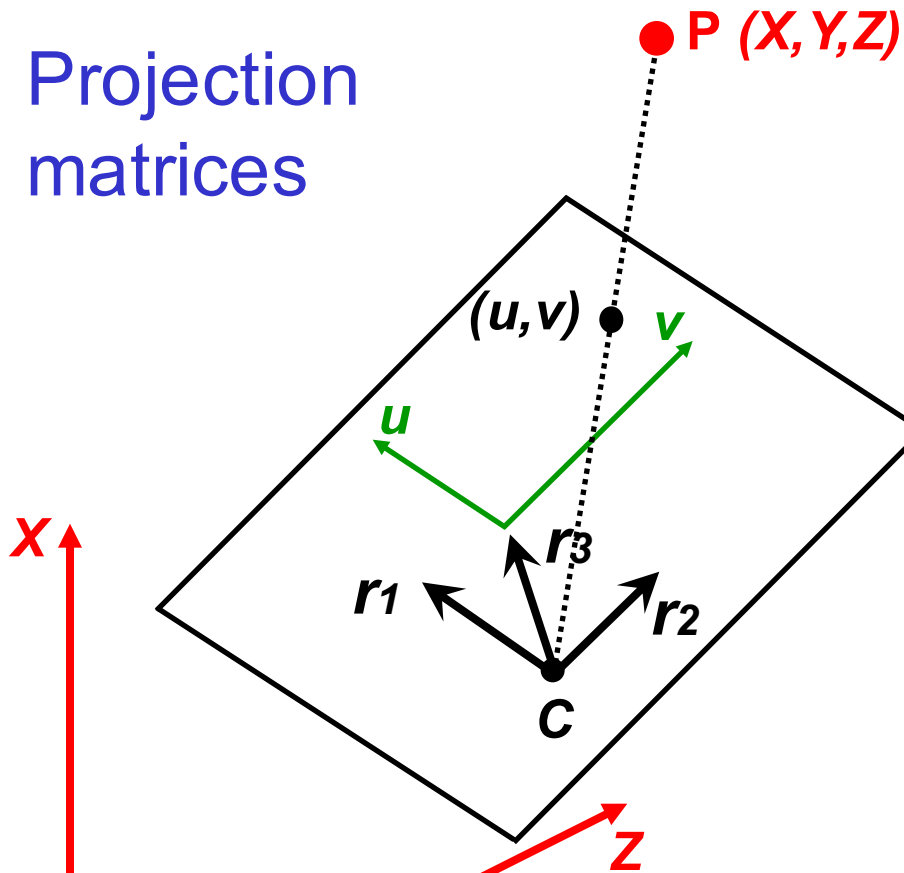
## Projection matrices

the perspective projection model is incomplete :  
what if :

1. 3D coordinates are specified in a *world coordinate frame*
2. Image coordinates are expressed as *row and column numbers*

We will not consider additional refinements,  
such as radial distortions,...





$$u = f \frac{\langle r_1, P - C \rangle}{\langle r_3, P - C \rangle}$$

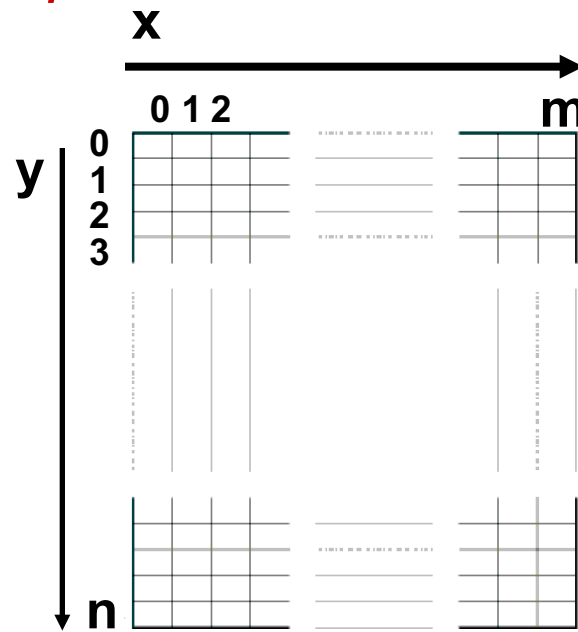
$$v = f \frac{\langle r_2, P - C \rangle}{\langle r_3, P - C \rangle}$$

$$u = f \frac{r_{11}(X - C_1) + r_{12}(Y - C_2) + r_{13}(Z - C_3)}{r_{31}(X - C_1) + r_{32}(Y - C_2) + r_{33}(Z - C_3)}$$
$$v = f \frac{r_{21}(X - C_1) + r_{22}(Y - C_2) + r_{23}(Z - C_3)}{r_{31}(X - C_1) + r_{32}(Y - C_2) + r_{33}(Z - C_3)}$$



# Projection matrices

Image coordinates are to be expressed as *pixel coordinates*



$$\begin{cases} x = k_x u + s v + x_0 \\ y = \quad \quad k_y v + y_0 \end{cases}$$

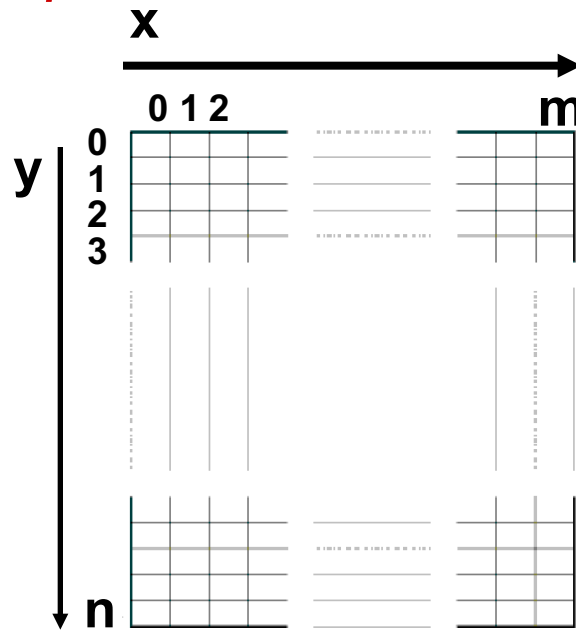
with :

- $(x_0, y_0)$  the pixel coordinates of the principal point
- $k_x$  the number of pixels per unit length horizontally
- $k_y$  the number of pixels per unit length vertically
- $s$  indicates the skew ; typically  $s = 0$



# Projection matrices

Image coordinates are to be expressed as *pixel coordinates*



$$\begin{cases} x = k_x u + s v + x_0 \\ y = \quad \quad k_y v + y_0 \end{cases}$$

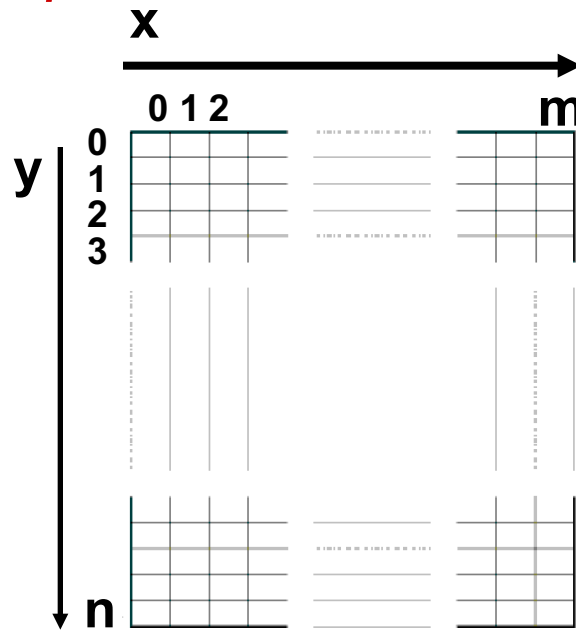
with :

**NB1:** often only integer pixel coordinates matter



# Projection matrices

Image coordinates are to be expressed as *pixel coordinates*



$$\begin{cases} x = k_x u + s v + x_0 \\ y = \quad \quad k_y v + y_0 \end{cases}$$

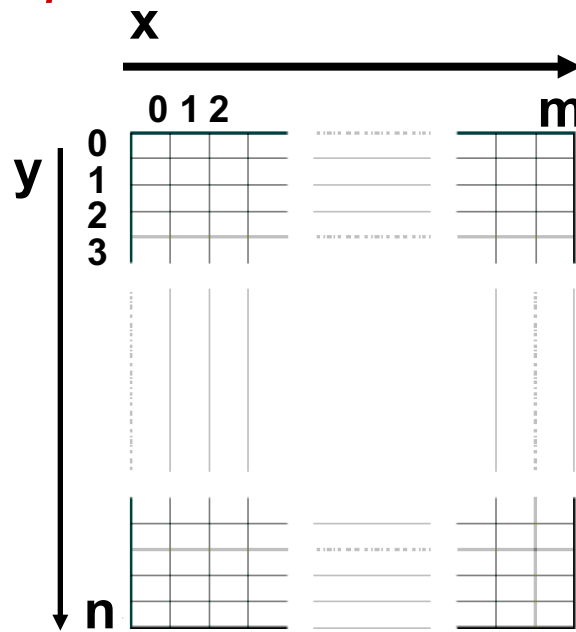
with :

**NB2** :  $k_y/k_x$  is called the *aspect ratio*



# Projection matrices

Image coordinates are to be expressed as *pixel coordinates*



$$\begin{cases} x = k_x u + s v + x_0 \\ y = \quad \quad k_y v + y_0 \end{cases}$$

with :

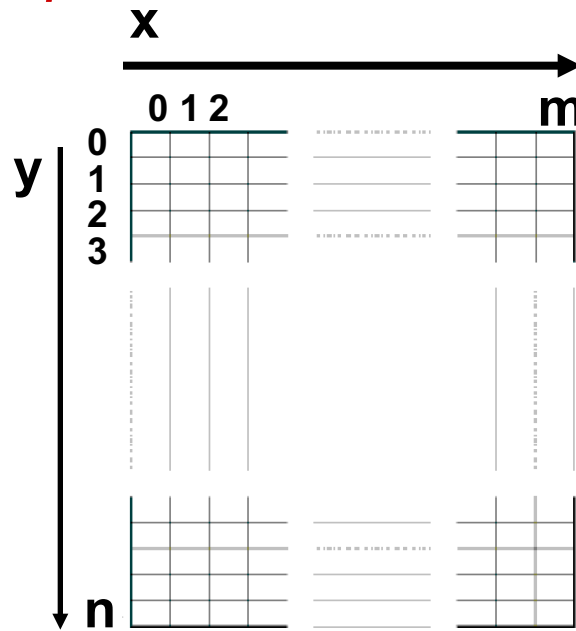
**NB3** :  $k_x, k_y, s, x_0$  and  $y_0$  are called *internal camera parameters*





# Projection matrices

Image coordinates are to be expressed as *pixel coordinates*



$$\begin{cases} x = k_x u + s v + x_0 \\ y = \quad \quad k_y v + y_0 \end{cases}$$

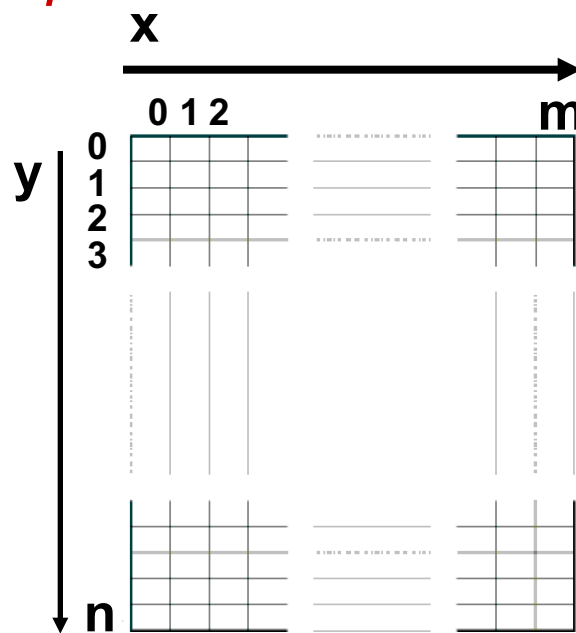
with :

**NB4** : when they are known, the camera is *internally calibrated*



# Projection matrices

Image coordinates are to be expressed as *pixel coordinates*



$$\begin{cases} x = k_x u + s v + x_0 \\ y = \quad \quad k_y v + y_0 \end{cases}$$

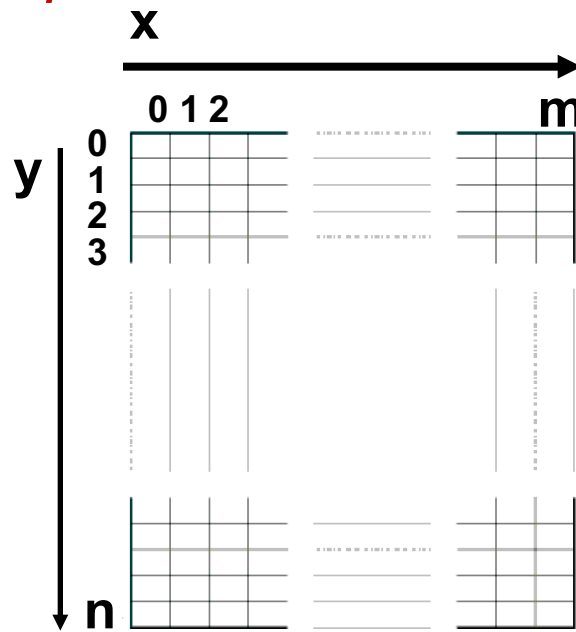
with :

**NB5** : vector  $C$  and matrix  $R \in SO(3)$  are the *ra*  
*external camera parameters*



# Projection matrices

Image coordinates are to be expressed as *pixel coordinates*



$$\begin{cases} x = k_x u + s v + x_0 \\ y = \quad \quad k_y v + y_0 \end{cases}$$

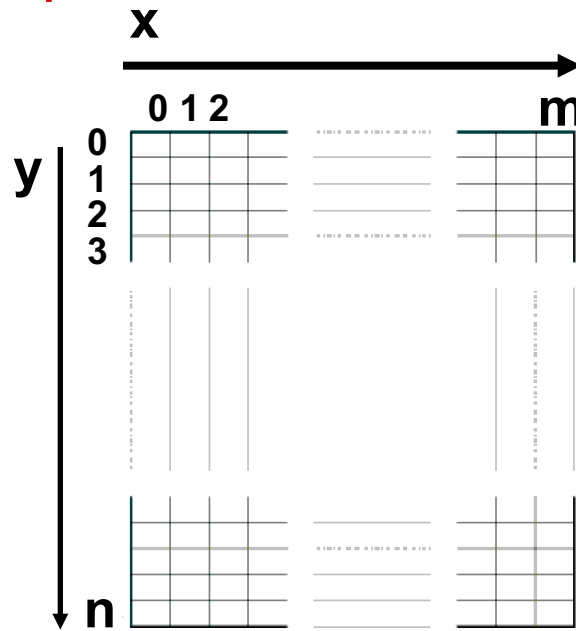
with :

**NB6** : when these are known, the camera is *externally calibrated*



# Projection matrices

Image coordinates are to be expressed as *pixel coordinates*



$$\begin{cases} x = k_x u + s v + x_0 \\ y = \quad \quad k_y v + y_0 \end{cases}$$

with :

**NB7** : *fully calibrated* means internally and externally calibrated



# Homogeneous coordinates

ACQUIS.

Often used to linearize non-linear relations

illumination  
cameras

$$2\text{D} \quad \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x/z \\ y/z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$3\text{D} \quad \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ W \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} X/W \\ Y/W \\ Z/W \end{pmatrix}$$

Homogeneous coordinates are only defined up to a factor



## Projection matrices

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

$$u = f \frac{r_{11}(X - C_1) + r_{12}(Y - C_2) + r_{13}(Z - C_3)}{r_{31}(X - C_1) + r_{32}(Y - C_2) + r_{33}(Z - C_3)}$$
$$v = f \frac{r_{21}(X - C_1) + r_{22}(Y - C_2) + r_{23}(Z - C_3)}{r_{31}(X - C_1) + r_{32}(Y - C_2) + r_{33}(Z - C_3)}$$

Exploiting homogeneous coordinates :

$$\tau \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f r_{11} & f r_{12} & f r_{13} \\ f r_{21} & f r_{22} & f r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X - C_1 \\ Y - C_2 \\ Z - C_3 \end{pmatrix}$$



## Projection matrices

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

$$\begin{cases} x = k_x u + s v + x_0 \\ y = \quad \quad k_y v + y_0 \end{cases}$$

Exploiting homogeneous coordinates :

$$\tau \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} k_x & s & x_0 \\ 0 & k_y & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tau \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



## Projection matrices

Thus, we have :

$$\tau \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f r_{11} & f r_{12} & f r_{13} \\ f r_{21} & f r_{22} & f r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X - C_1 \\ Y - C_2 \\ Z - C_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tau \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} k_x & s & x_0 \\ 0 & k_y & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tau \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$





## Projection matrices

Concatenating the results :

$$\tau \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} k_x & s & x_0 \\ 0 & k_y & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f & r_{11} & f & r_{12} & f & r_{13} \\ f & r_{21} & f & r_{22} & f & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X - C_1 \\ Y - C_2 \\ Z - C_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Or, equivalently :

$$\tau \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} k_x & s & x_0 \\ 0 & k_y & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X - C_1 \\ Y - C_2 \\ Z - C_3 \end{pmatrix}$$



## Projection matrices

Re-combining matrices in the concatenation :

$$\tau \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} k_x & s & x_0 \\ 0 & k_y & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X - C_1 \\ Y - C_2 \\ Z - C_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

yields the **calibration matrix  $K$** :

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} k_x & s & x_0 \\ 0 & k_y & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f k_x & f s & x_0 \\ 0 & f k_y & y_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



## Projection matrices

We define

$$p = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad P = \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{P} = \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

yielding

$$\rho p = KR^t(P - C) \text{ for some non-zero } \rho \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{or, } \rho p = K(R^t \mid -R^t C)\tilde{P}$$

$$\text{or, } \rho p = (M \mid t)\tilde{P} \text{ with rank } M = 3$$



## From object radiance to pixel grey levels

ACQUIS.

After the geometric camera model...

... a **photometric** camera model

illumination  
cameras

2 steps:

1. from object radiance to image irradiance
2. from image irradiance to pixel grey level

## Image irradiance and object radiance

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

we look at the irradiance that an object patch will cause in the image

assumptions :

radiance  $R$  assumed known and  
object at large distance compared to the focal length

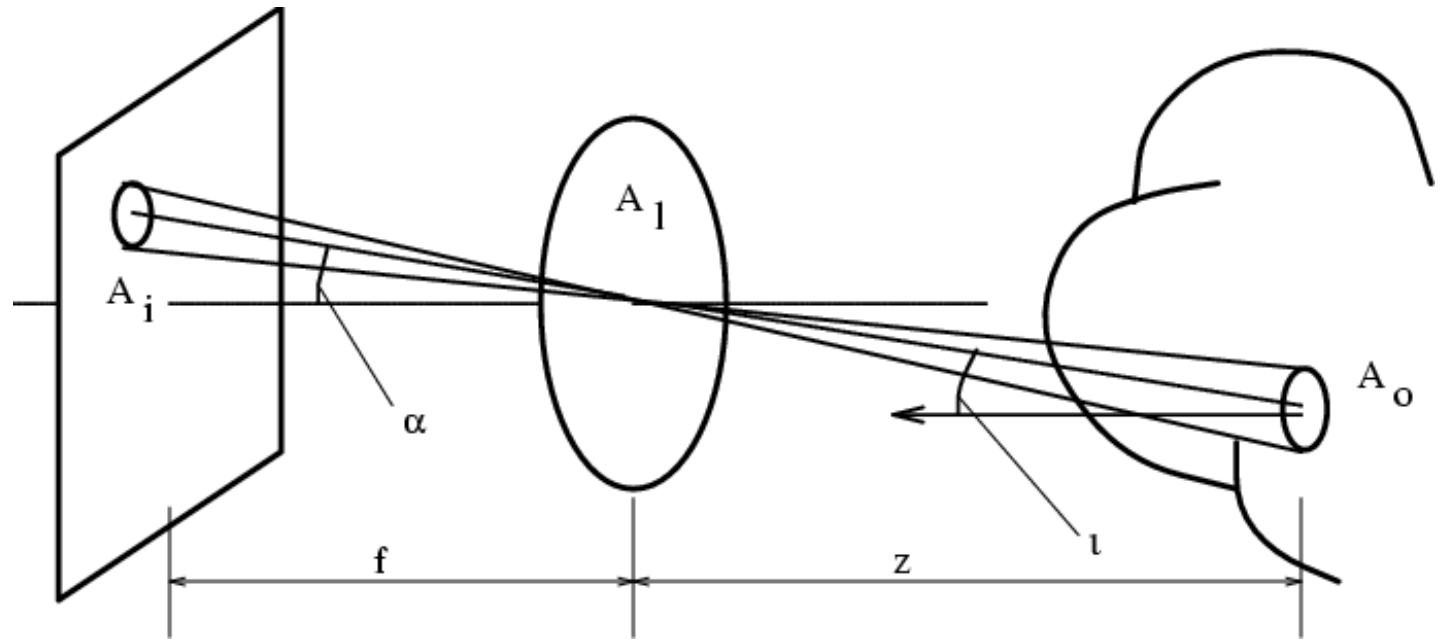
Is image irradiance directly related to the radiance of the image patch?



# The viewing conditions

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras



$$I = R \frac{A_l}{f^2} \cos^4 \alpha$$

the  $\cos^4$  law



## The $\cos^4$ law cont' d

ACQUIS.  
illumination  
cameras

Especially strong effects  
for wide-angle and  
fisheye lenses



## From irradiance to gray levels

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

$$f = g I^\gamma + d$$



Gain

“gamma”

Dark reference



# From irradiance to gray levels

ACQUIS.

illumination  
cameras

$$f = g I^\gamma + d$$

set w. size diaphragm

close to 1 nowadays

signal w. cam cap on



Gain

“gamma”

Dark reference