

# Lecture 2: Introduction to Computer Graphics

Representing geometry, cameras, reflectance, lighting, and rendering images

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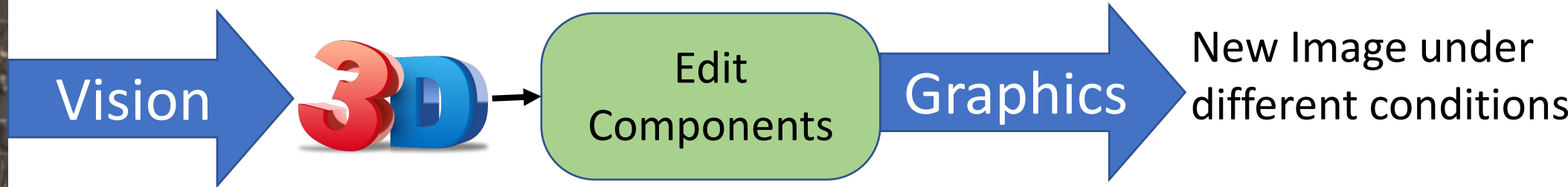
# Few reminders

- 590: Assignment 1 is out, due date next Thursday Aug 25!
- 790: Starting planning your project proposal and forming your group. If you want to work on your own project, send an email, explain why, and have my written approval.
- 590/790: Please indicate your paper presentation preference by filling out the google form (See course website, under presentation).
- Change in grading plans:
  - Paper presentation: only 790
  - Paper review: only 590
  - 590: 5 assignments instead of 4, but significantly easier, 4 assignment can be done on google colab.

# How does Computer Vision & Graphics work together?



Current Image



3D Intrinsic Components

Explicit: Reconstruct 3D  
(Introduction to Graphics Lectures)

Implicit: Neural Representation  
(Generative Models Lectures)

Change:

- Viewpoint
- Lighting
- Reflectance
- Background
- Attributes
- Many others...

# Agenda

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- How do we define a camera model? – 3D object to 2D image
- How do we define material property? – glossy, metallic

# Slide Credits

- UC Berkeley CS 184/284a – Spring 2021 (Ren Ng, Angjoo Kanazawa)
- CMU 16-385 Computer Vision – Spring 2017 (Kris Kitani)
- Many amazing research papers!

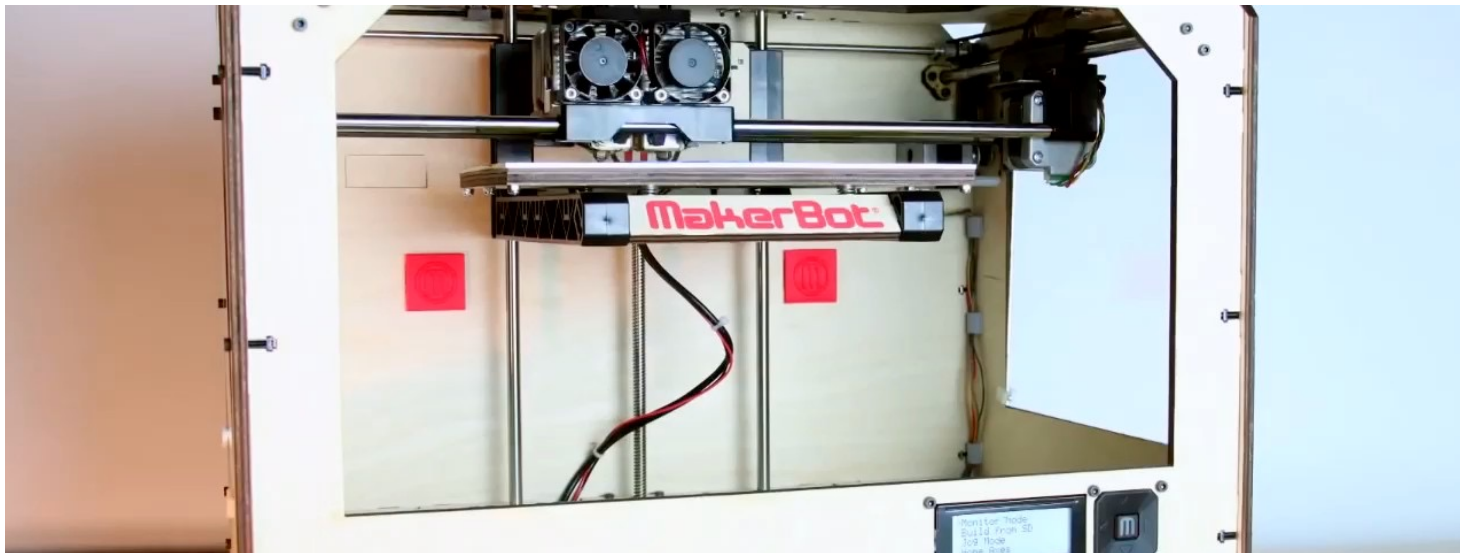
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# Digital Geometry Processing



**3D Scanning**



**3D Printing**



# Geometry Processing Pipeline



**Scan** → **Process** → **Print**

How do we represent geometry?

# Geometry: How do we represent shape of an object?

2.5D representation:

- 1) Depth & Normal map

Explicit representation:

- 2) Mesh
- 3) Voxels
- 4) Point Cloud

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- 5) Surface Representation (SDF)

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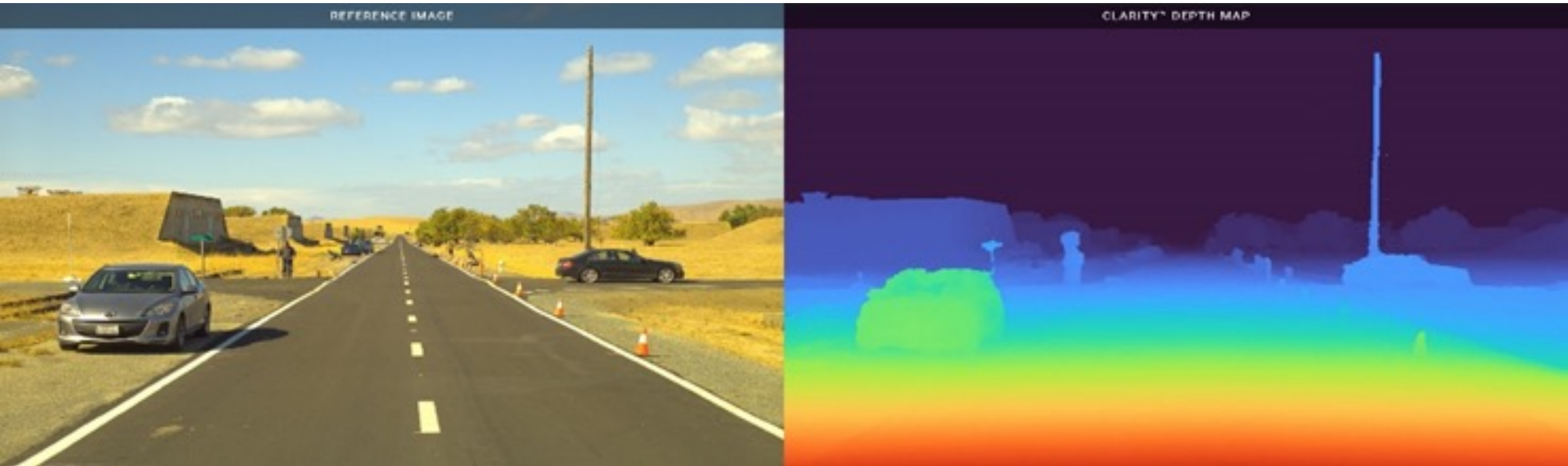
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# Depth Map

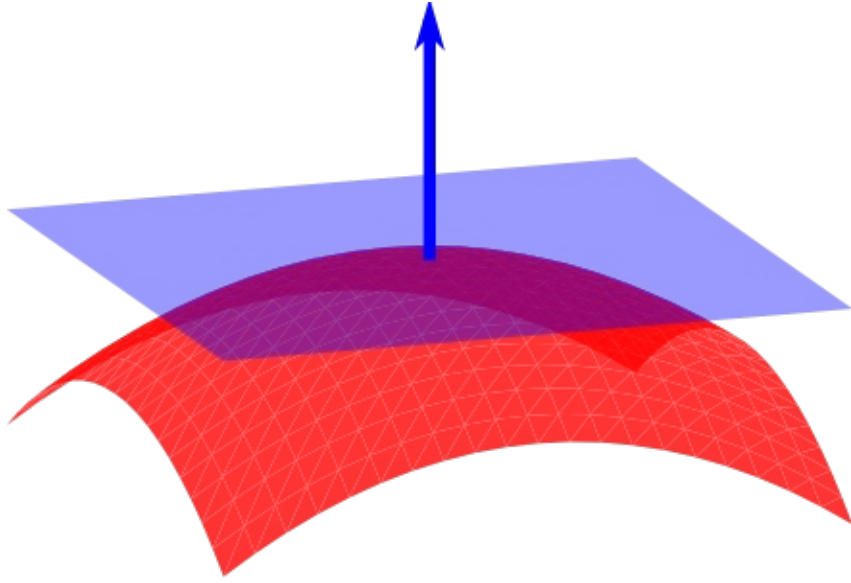


Depth Map  $D(u,v)$ : Distance of any pixel  $(u,v)$  from the camera (usually image plane)

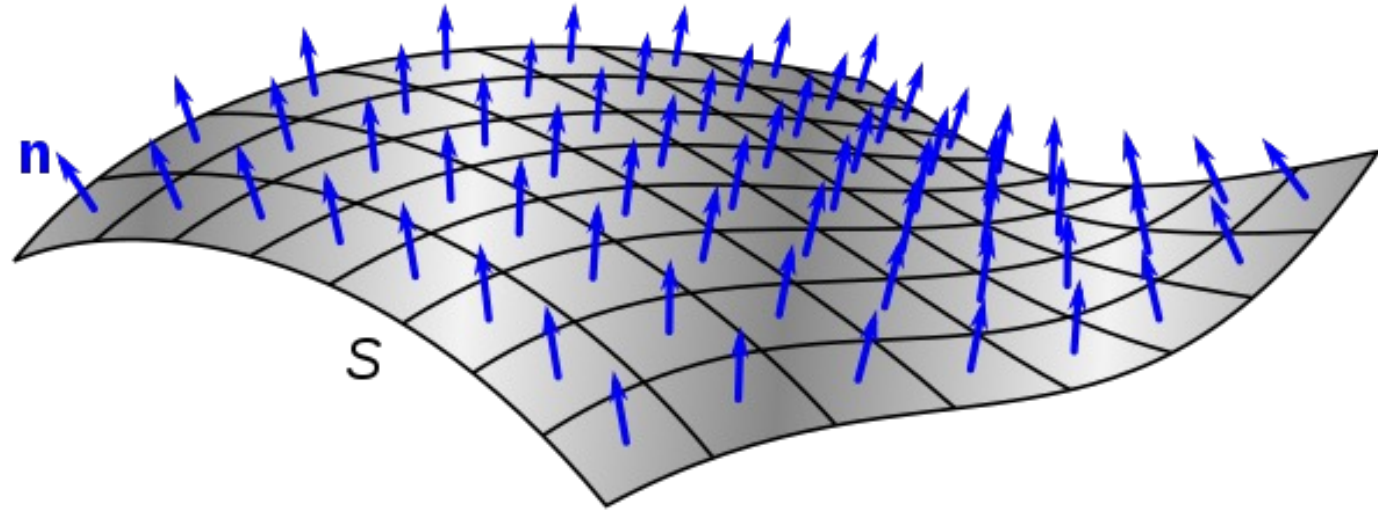
Red-> nearer; blue-> further

For an image  $H \times W \times 3$ , a depth map is  $H \times W \times 1$  (scalar value for every pixel)

# Surface Normal



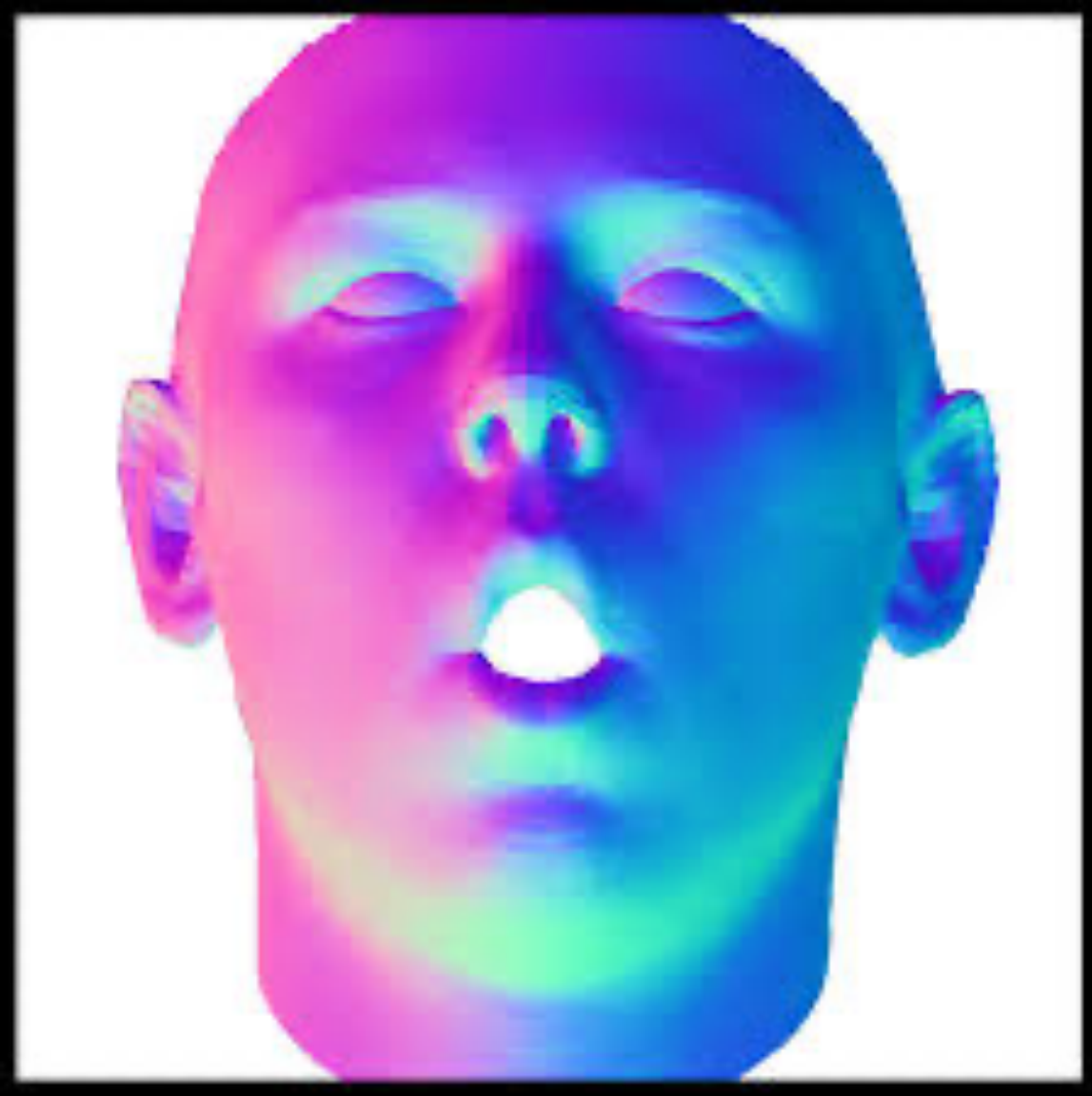
Surface Normal (in blue) of a point  $P$  is a vector perpendicular to the tangent plane at  $P$ .



Surface normal (in blue) of a surface

Surface normal indicate orientation of the surface.

# Normal Map



Normal Map  $N(u,v)$ :  $[N_x, N_y, N_z]$  is a **unit vector** indicating the orientation of the surface.

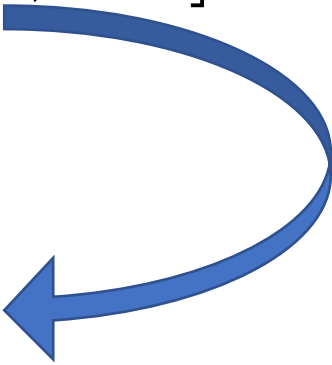
Pink-> towards left; blue-> towards right

For an image  $H \times W \times 3$ , a normal map is  $H \times W \times 3$ .

What is a unit vector?

- L2 norm (magnitude) of the vector is 1.
- $N_x^2 + N_y^2 + N_z^2 = 1$

# Relationship between Depth & Normal Map

$$\tilde{N} = \left[ \frac{\partial D}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial D}{\partial y}, -1 \right]$$
$$N = \frac{\tilde{N}}{\|\tilde{N}\|_2}$$


Normalizing to unit vector.

- Differentiation of depth map leads to normal map
- Integration of normal map leads to depth map

Further reading: [Normal Integration: A Survey](#)

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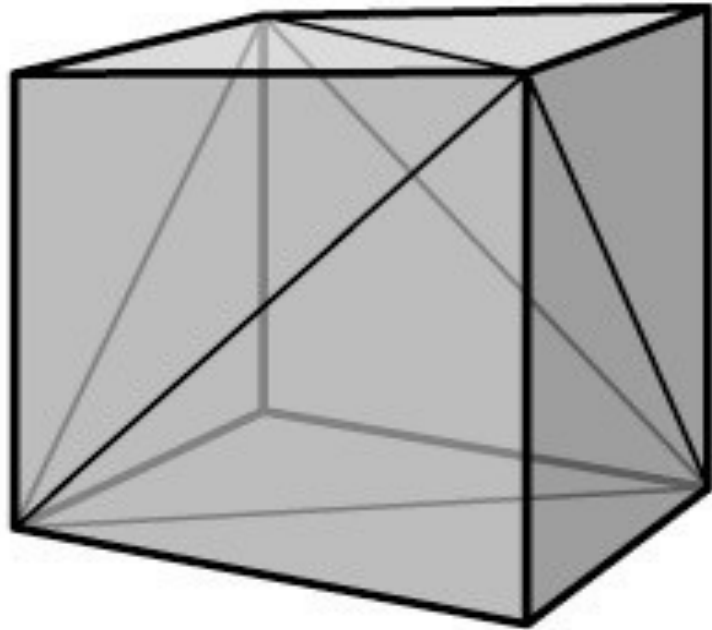
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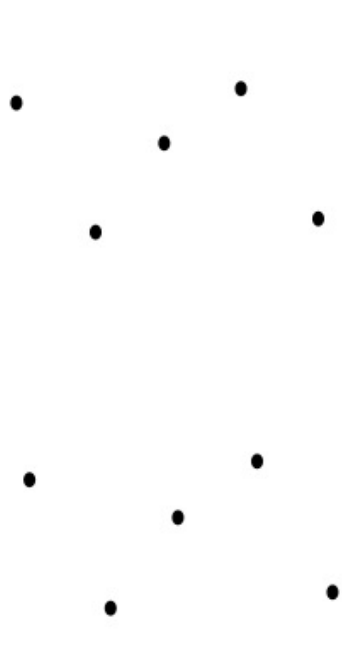


# A Small Triangle Mesh

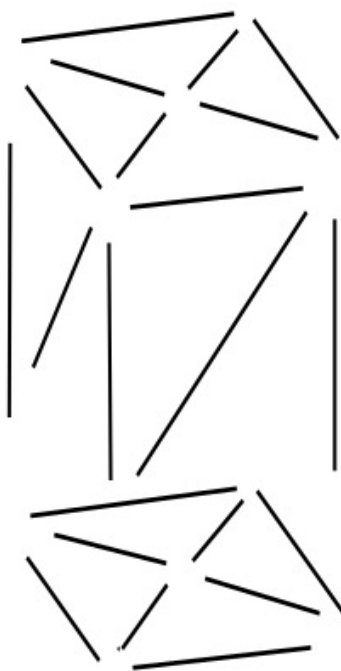


**8 vertices, 12 triangles**

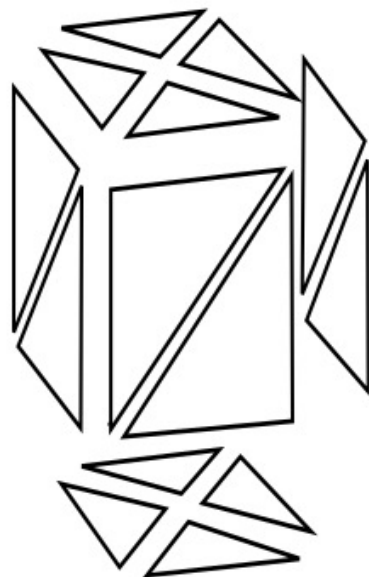
# Mesh



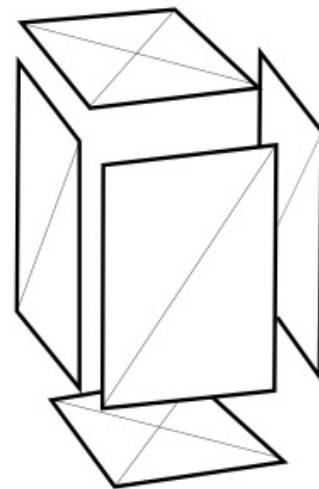
vertices



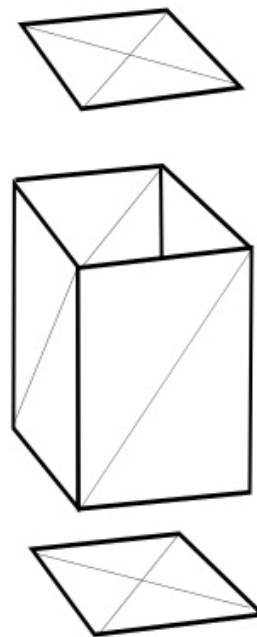
edges



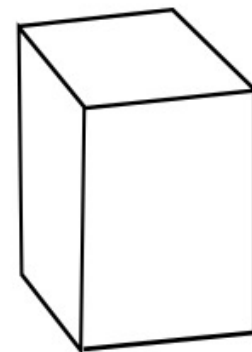
faces



polygons



surfaces



# How do you represent a mesh file?

## Wavefront .obj file

A list of vertices defined by their 3D x,y,z coordinates

```
v -0.23876920554499864 1.3103797270601687 0.13001260700009193
v -0.27582915374543276 1.2582563331865875 0.12364597630502337
v -0.2674888336016338 1.3474373225751202 0.15912747459742976
v -0.3128662756980407 1.222713216834852 0.14623565543301947
```

A list of faces that defines which vertices will combine to produce a triangle on the mesh

```
f 1 2 3
f 4 5 3
f 4 3 2
f 9 10 7
f 10 8 7
f 11 12 9
```

Note: This is the most naïve way of defining a mesh. You can add vertex normal, vertex texture, separate material model, and many other things with the .obj format.

MeshLab: a great software to load and visualize a mesh in 3D!

Show demo of using MeshLab to view an object in 3D

# Texture Mapping: How do you add color/texture on a mesh?



- Texture map is a 2D image
- Texture mapping takes the RGB color of each pixel  $(u,v)$  from the texture map and colors a vertex  $V(x,y,z)$  of the mesh.
- Color of each faces (triangles of the mesh) are often interpolated between the 3 vertex colors
- Note: Many variation of the above algorithm exist.

Few important/cool research works on meshes

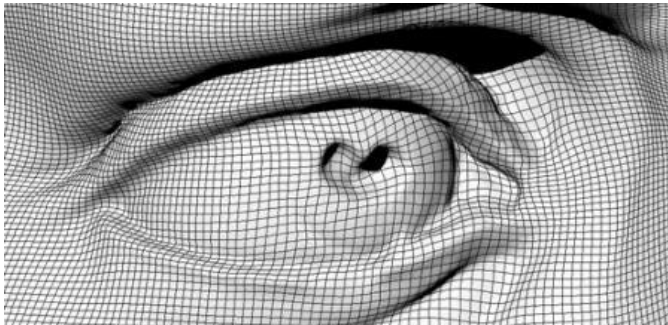
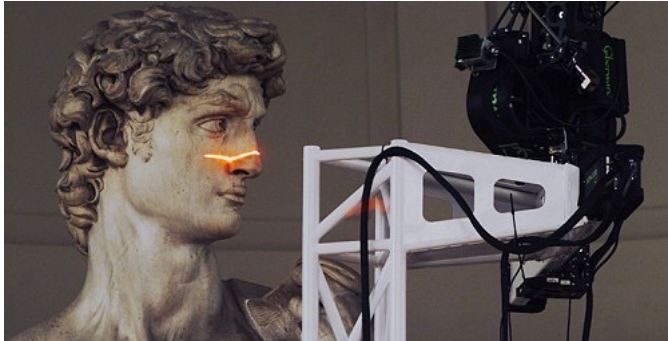
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## David

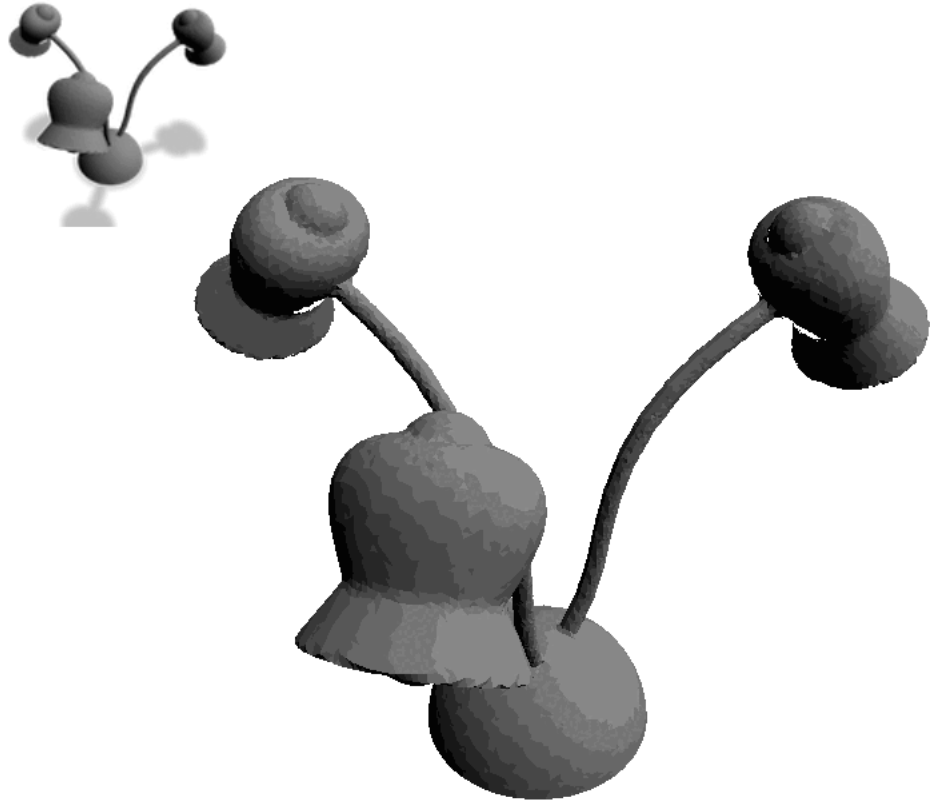
Digital Michelangelo Project

28,184,526 vertices

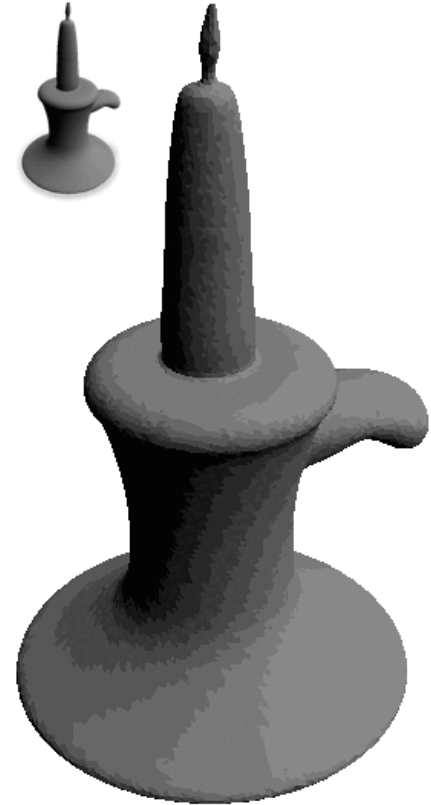
56,230,343 triangles



# Text2Mesh, CVPR'22



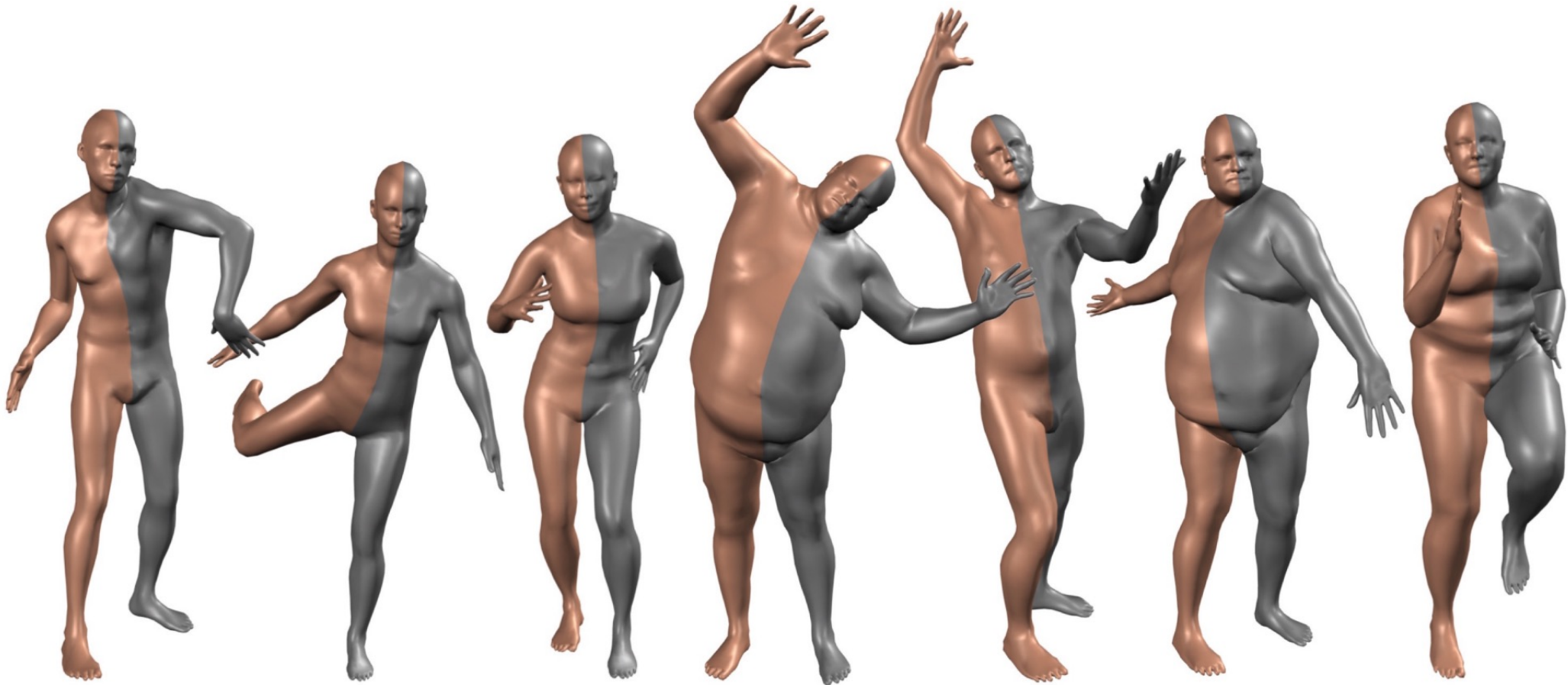
A Brick Lamp



Colorful Crochet Candle



# SMPL model, MPI



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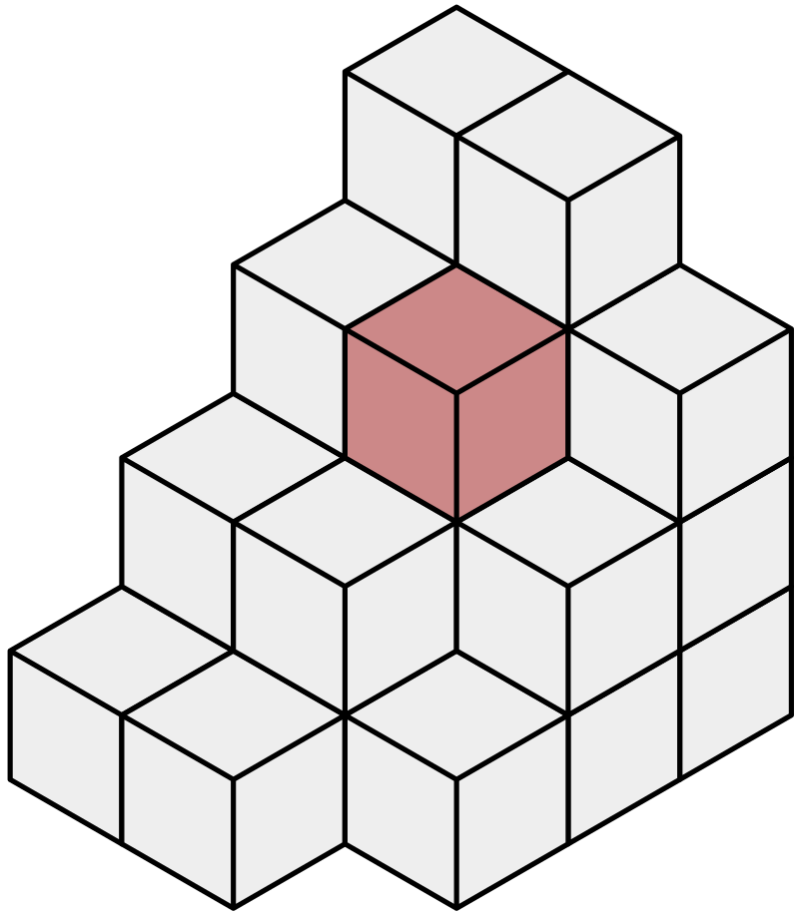
**3) Voxels**

4) Point Cloud

Implicit representation:

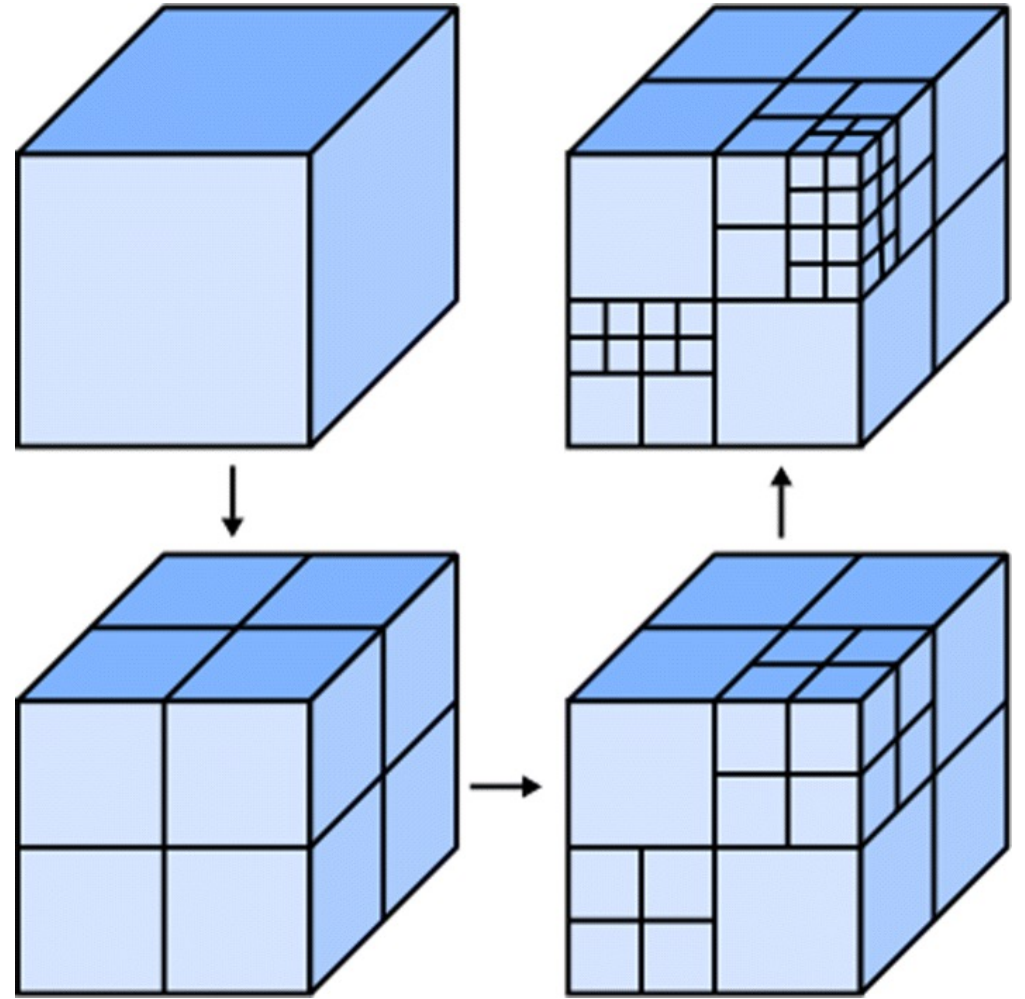
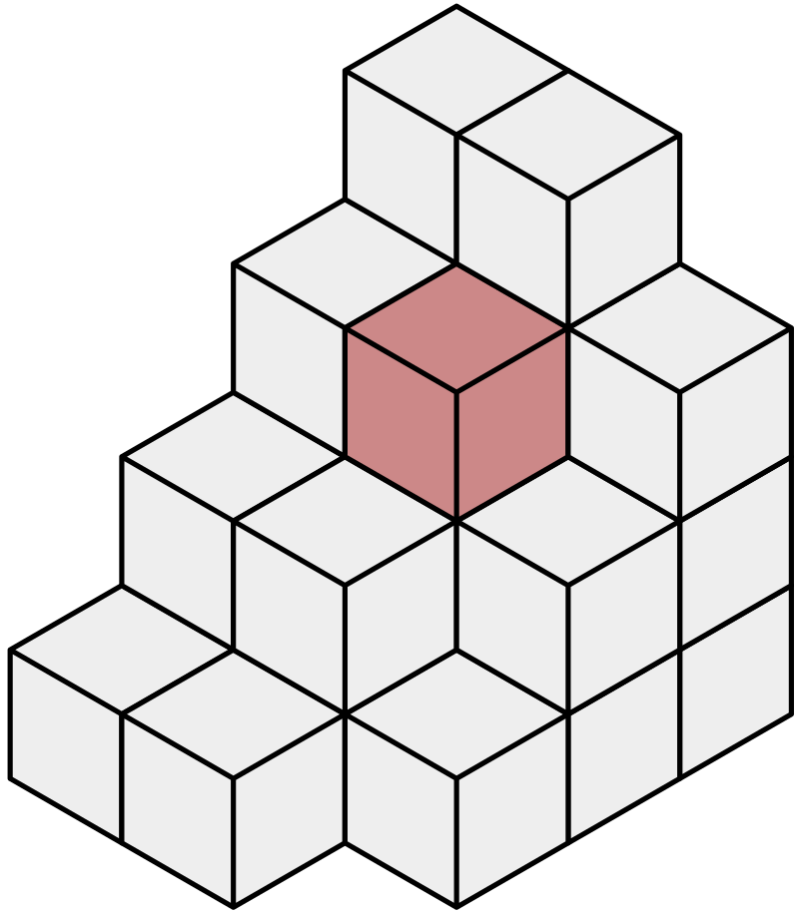
5) Surface Representation (SDF) – implicit

# Voxel Representation



It's like playing with Lego!

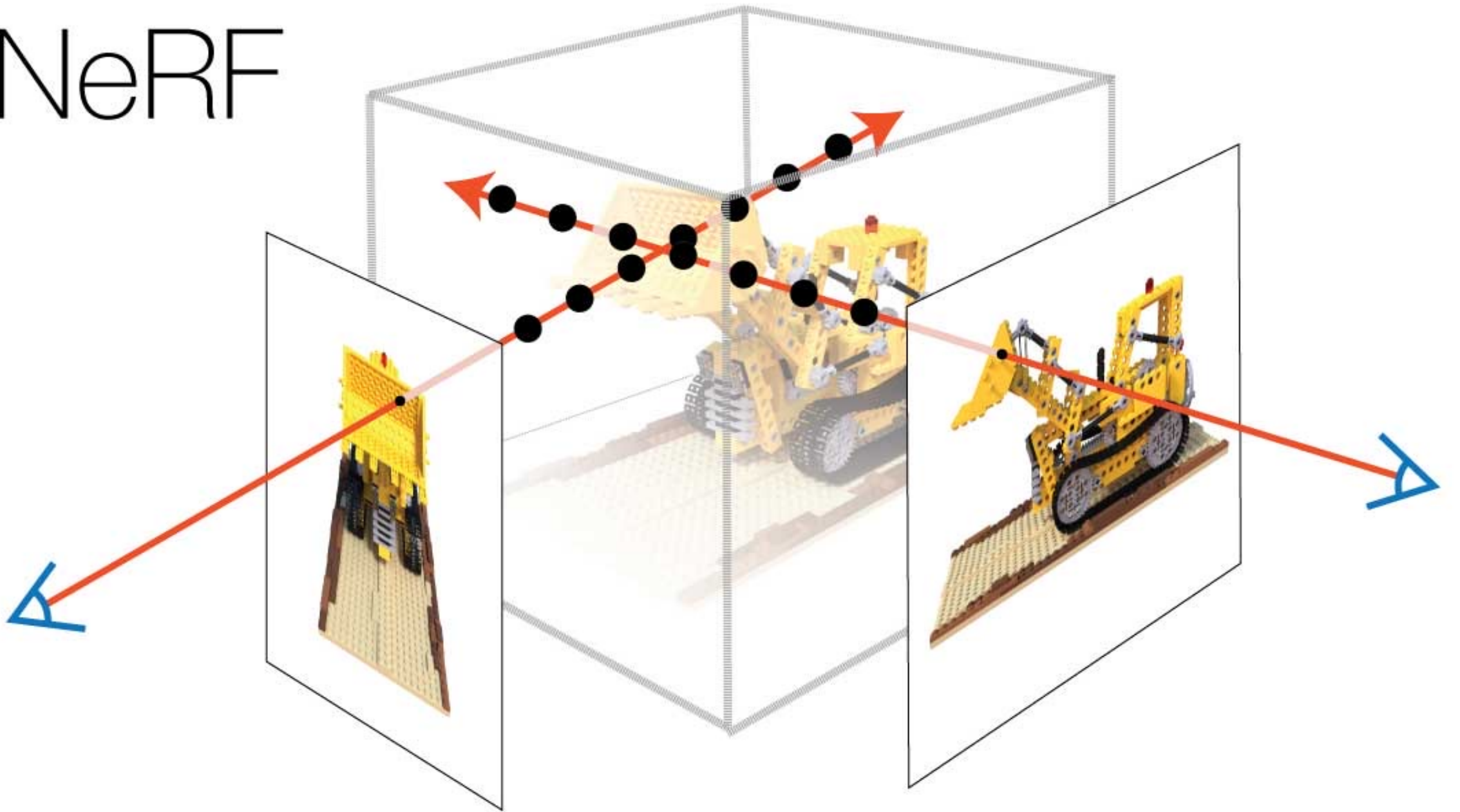
# Voxel Representation



Voxel with octree

Few important/cool research works on voxels.

# NeRF



We will learn a lot about voxels in 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the class when we discuss NeRF.

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LiDAR and many other range sensors produces point cloud.



# Point Clouds



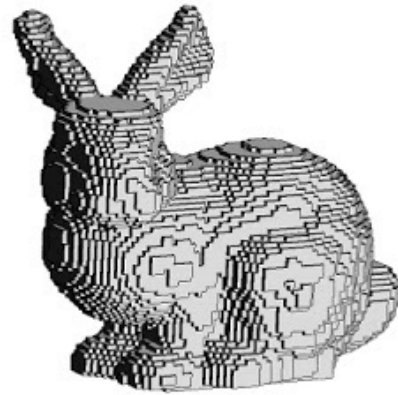


*Sparse model of central Rome using 21K photos produced by COLMAP's SfM pipeline.*

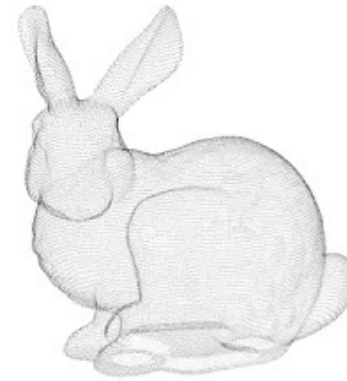


*Dense models of several landmarks produced by COLMAP's MVS pipeline.*

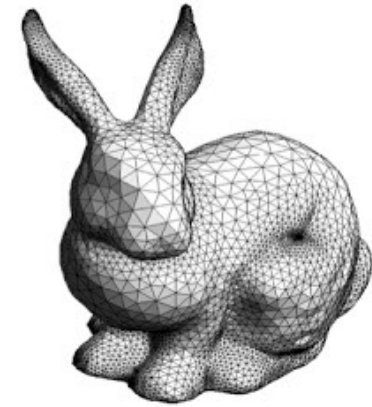
# 3D Representations (Explicit)



**Voxel**



**Point cloud**



**Polygon mesh**

Memory efficiency

Poor

Not good

Good

Textures

Not good

No

Yes

For neural networks

Easy

Not easy

Not easy

We adopt **polygon mesh** for its high potential

Images are from

<http://cse.iitkgp.ac.in/~pb/research/3dpoly/3dpoly.html>

<http://waldyrrious.net/learning-holography/pb-cgh-formulas.xhtml>

<http://www.cs.mun.ca/~omeruvia/philosophy/images/BunnyWire.gif>

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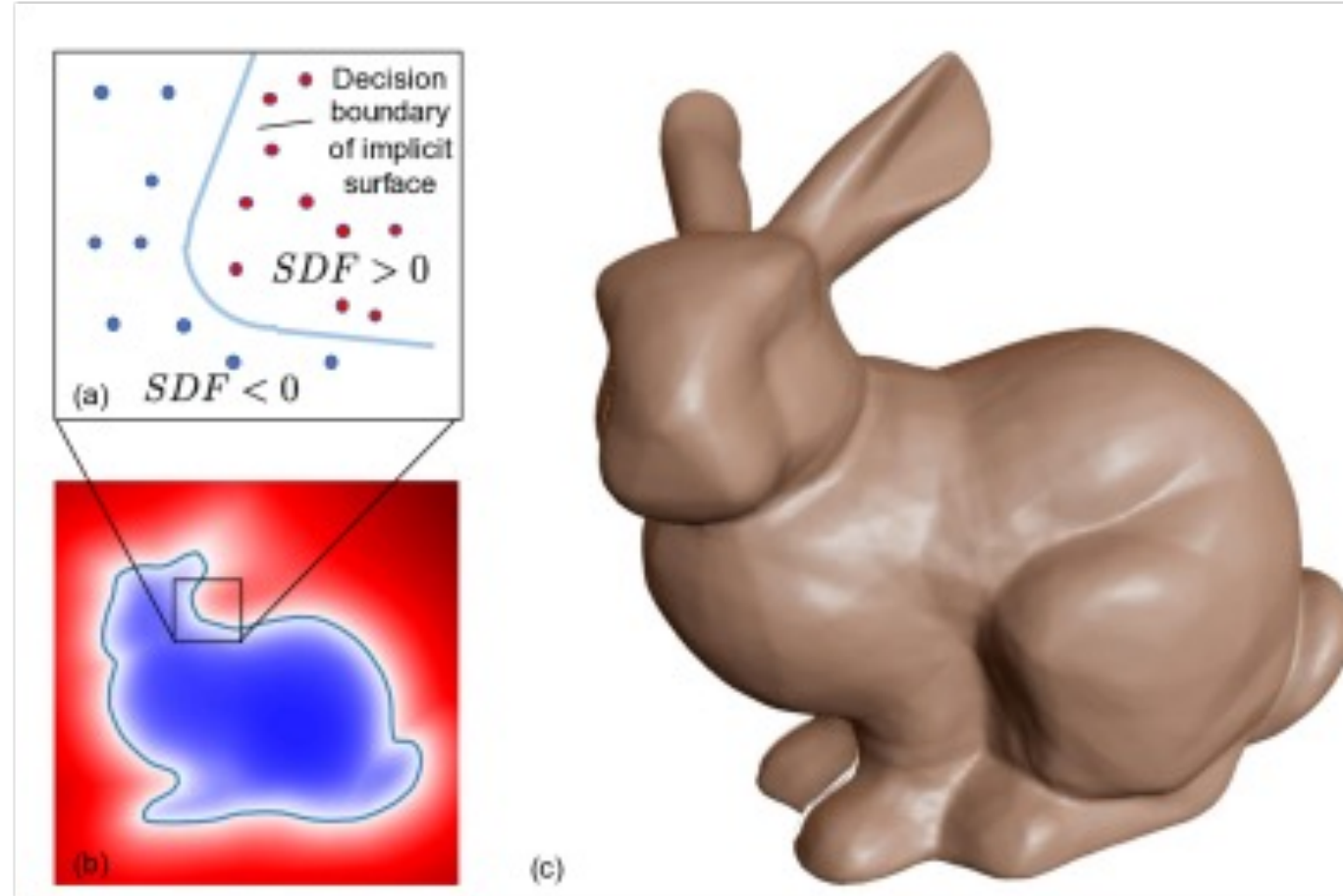
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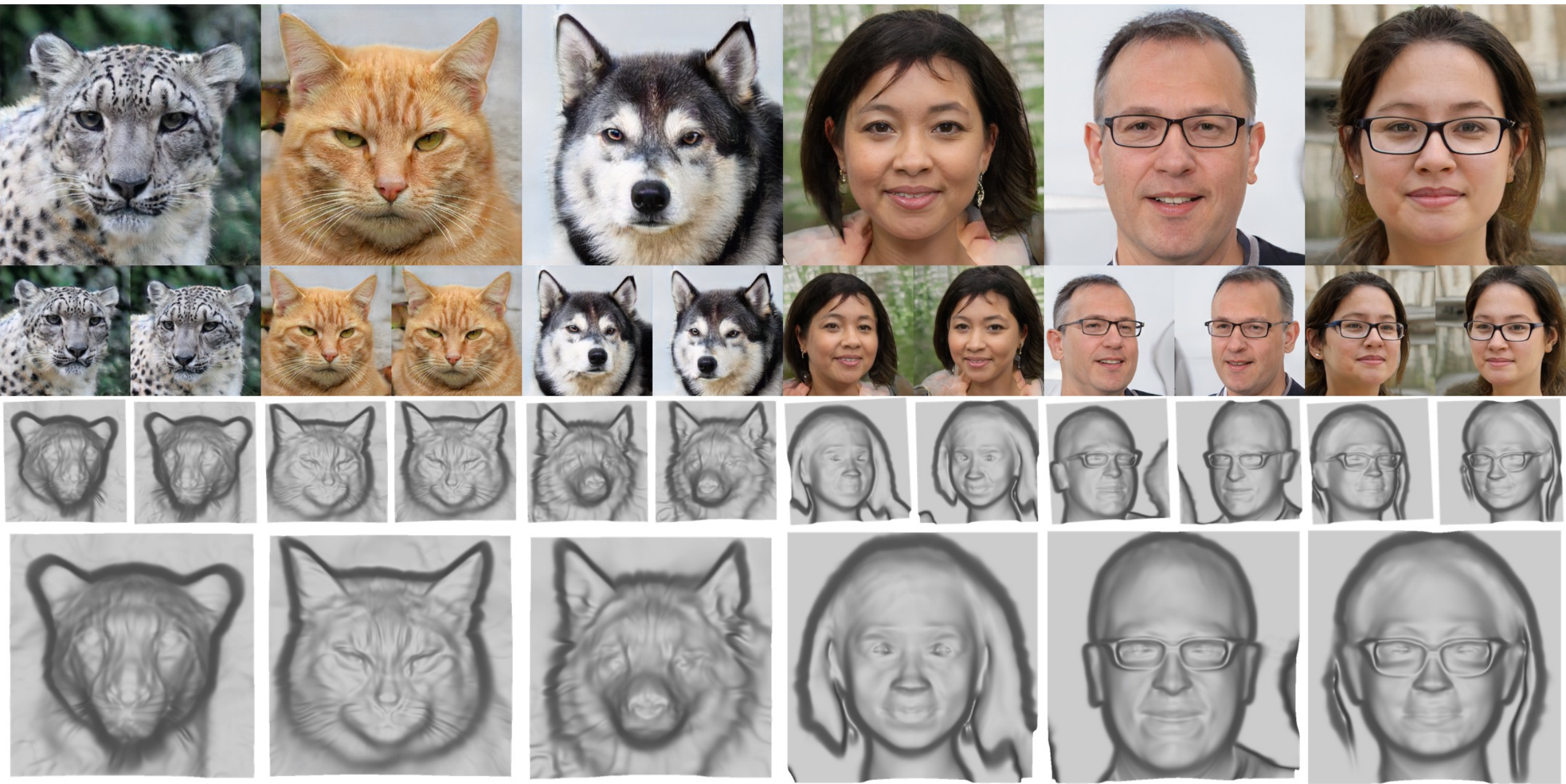
# Surface Representation: Signed Distance Function (SDF) - implicit representation via level set

$SDF(X) = 0$ , when  $X$  is on the surface.  
 $SDF(X) > 0$ , when  $X$  is outside the surface  
 $SDF(X) < 0$ , when  $X$  is inside the surface

**Note: SDF is an implicit representation!**  
Suitable for neural networks but hard to  
import inside existing graphics software.



Deep SDF: Use a neural network (co-ordinate based MLP) to represent the SDF function.



StyleSDF, Or-El et. al



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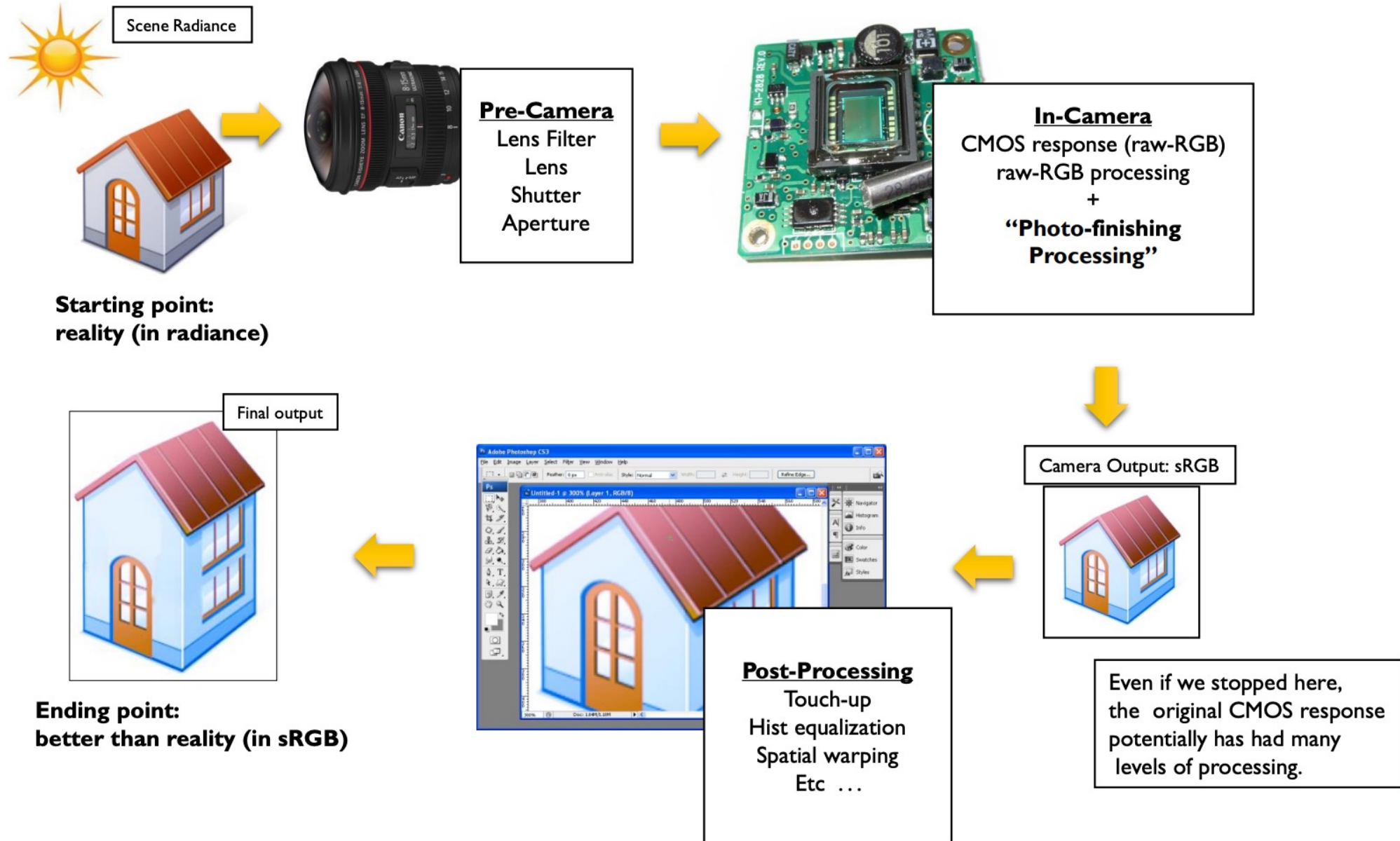
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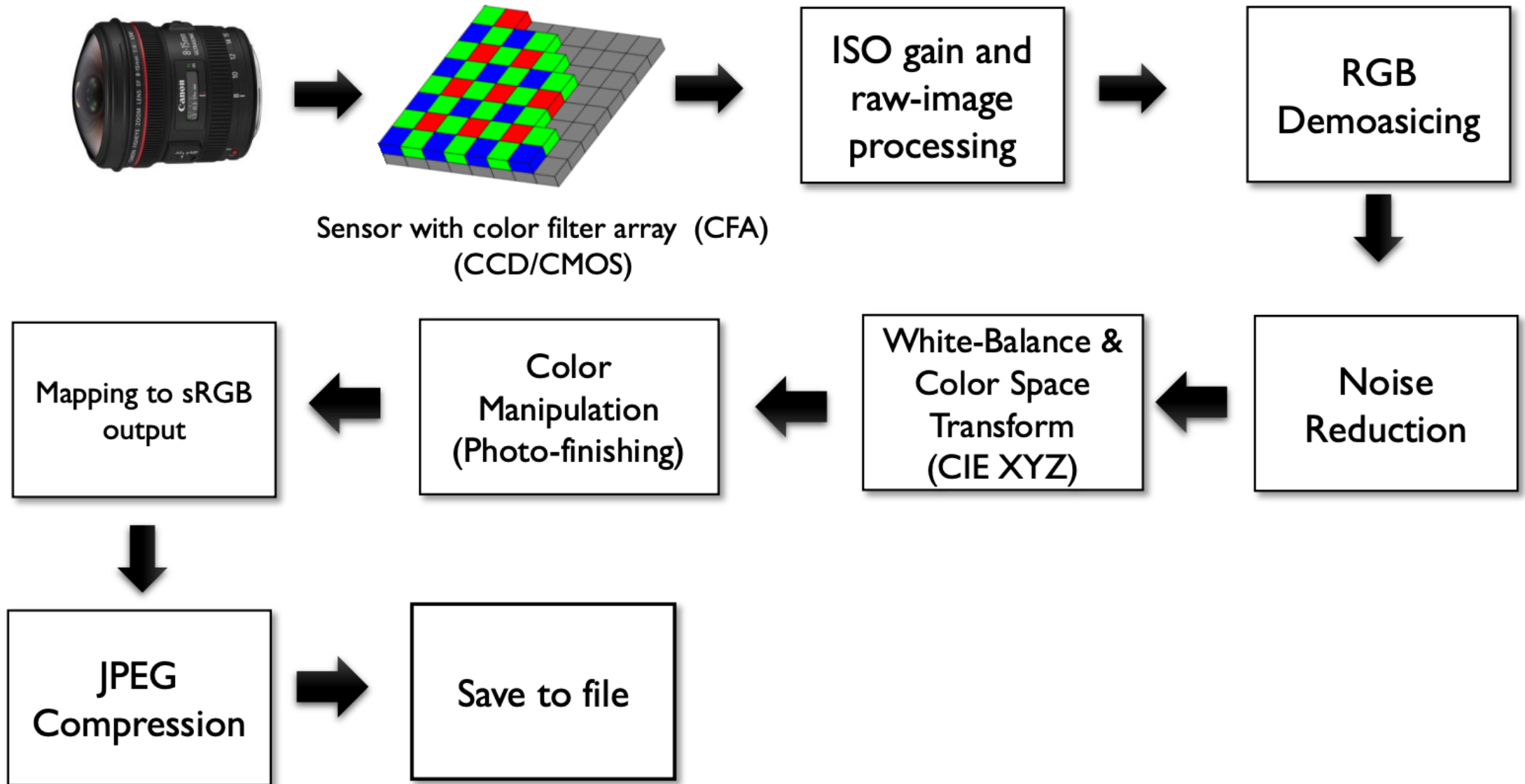
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# Modern photography pipeline

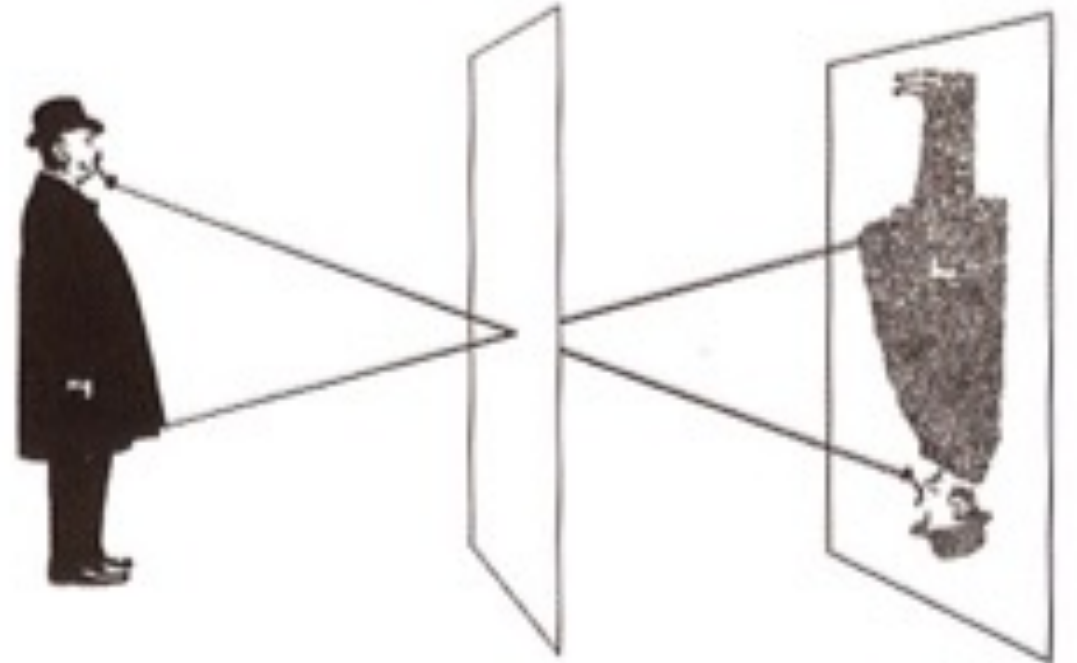


# A typical color imaging pipeline



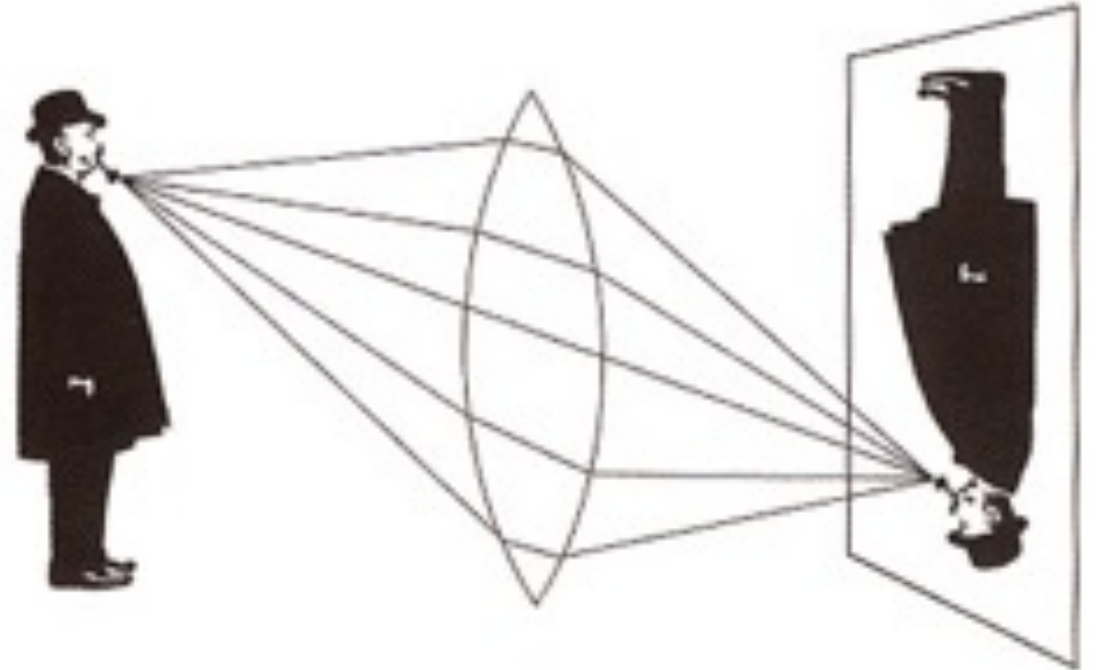
# Pinholes & Lenses Form Image on Sensor

**Photograph made with small pinhole**

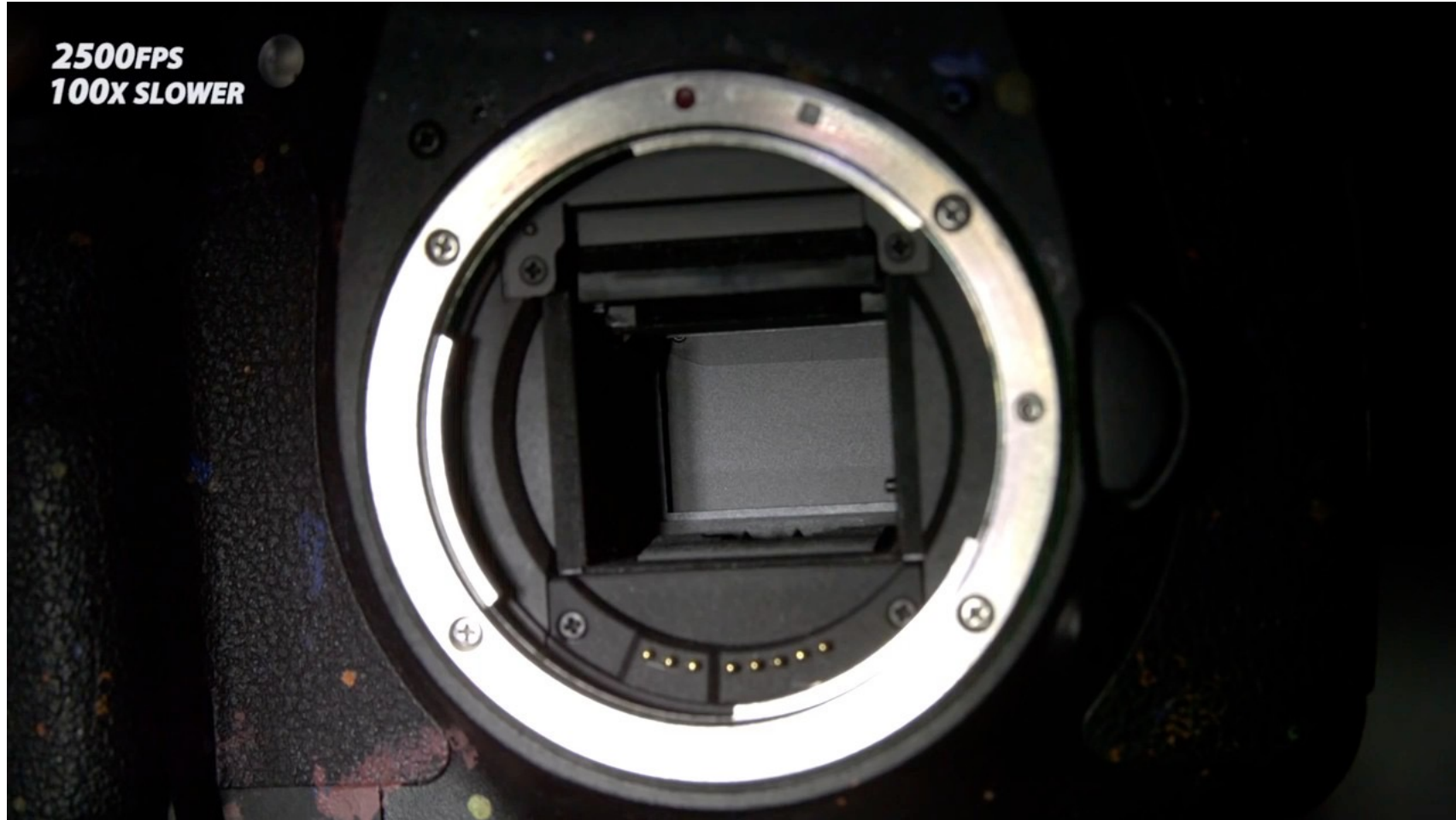


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**Photograph made with lens**

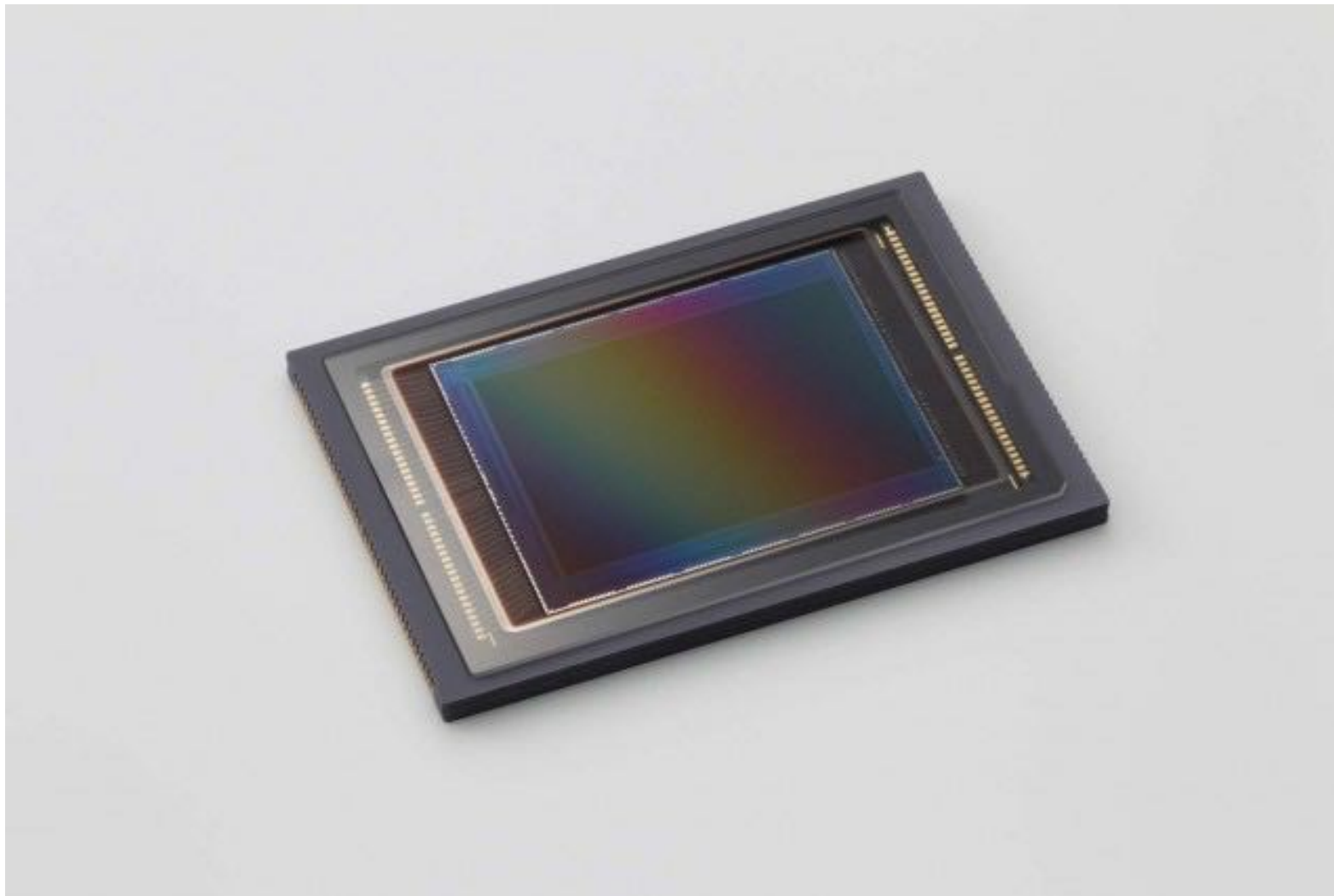


# Shutter Exposes Sensor For Precise Duration

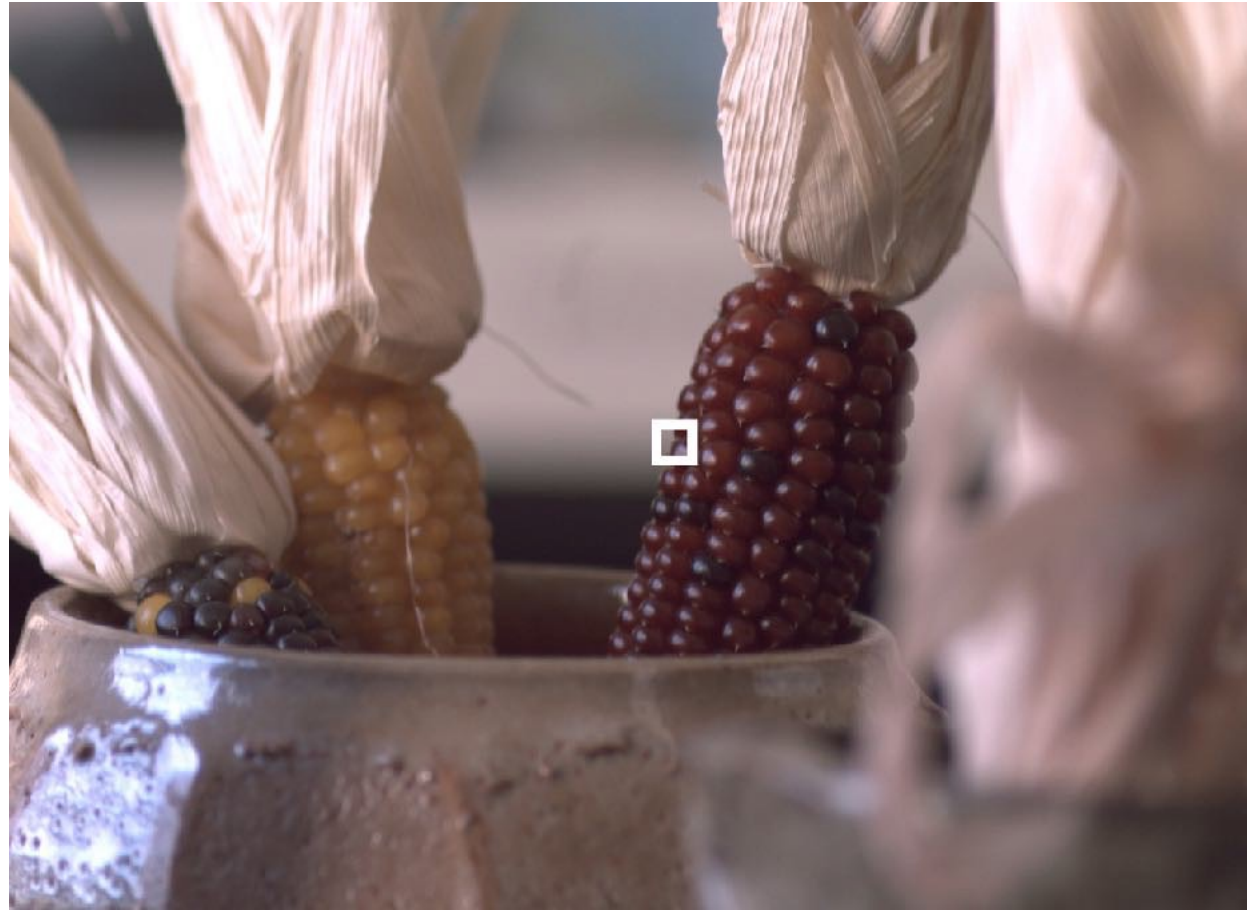
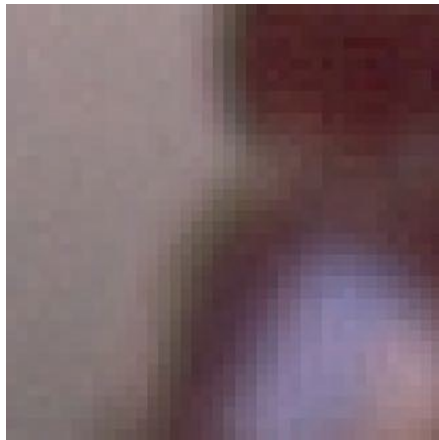
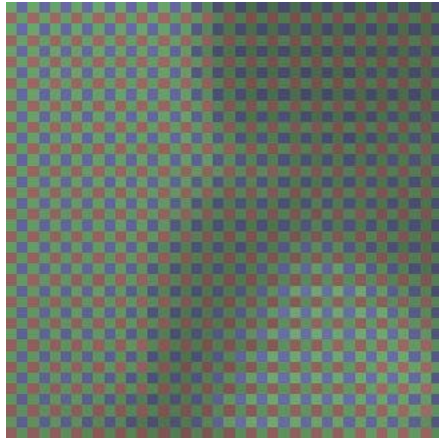


The Slow Mo Guys, <https://youtu.be/CmjeCchGRQo>

## Sensor Accumulates Irradiance During Exposure



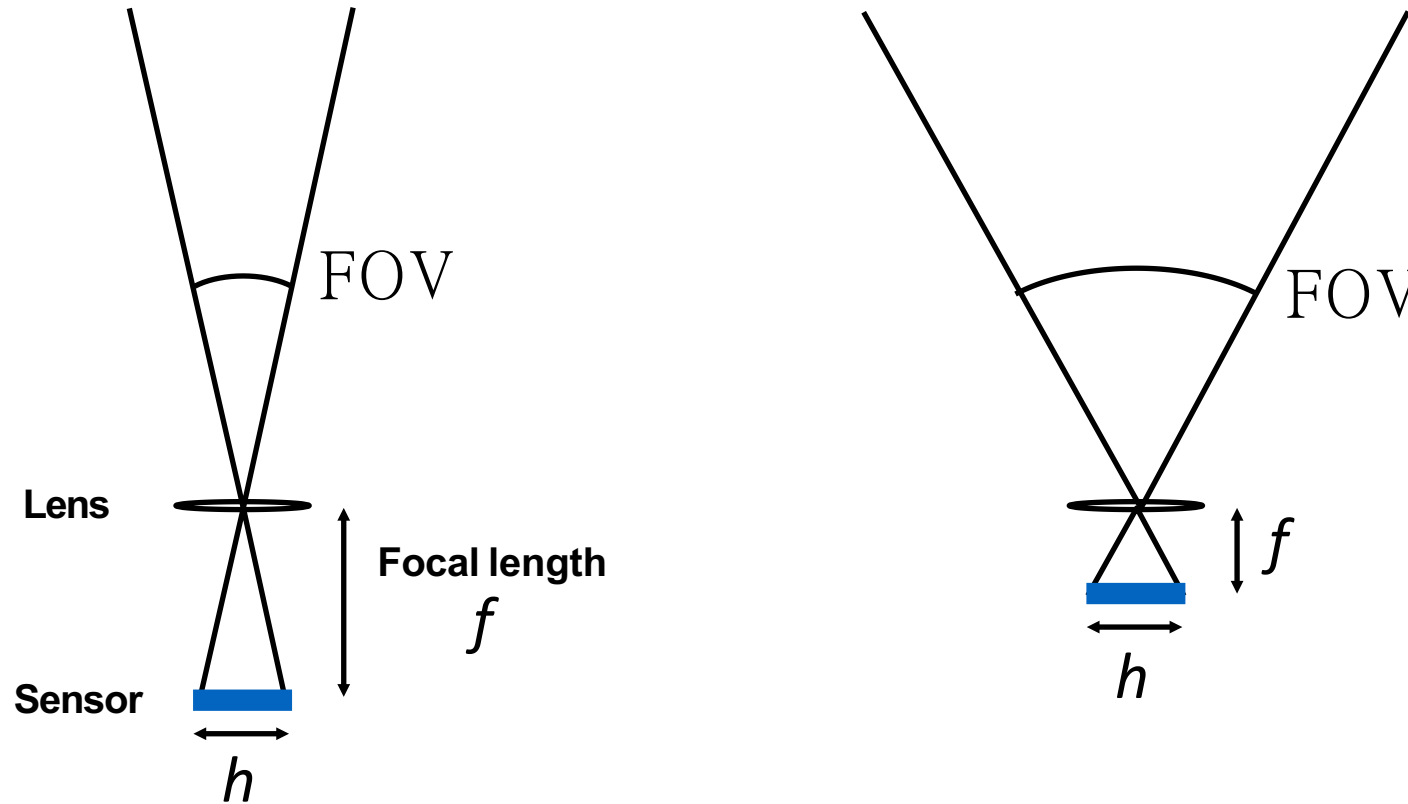
# Image Processing: From Sensor Values to Image



# Optics of Image Formation: Field of View



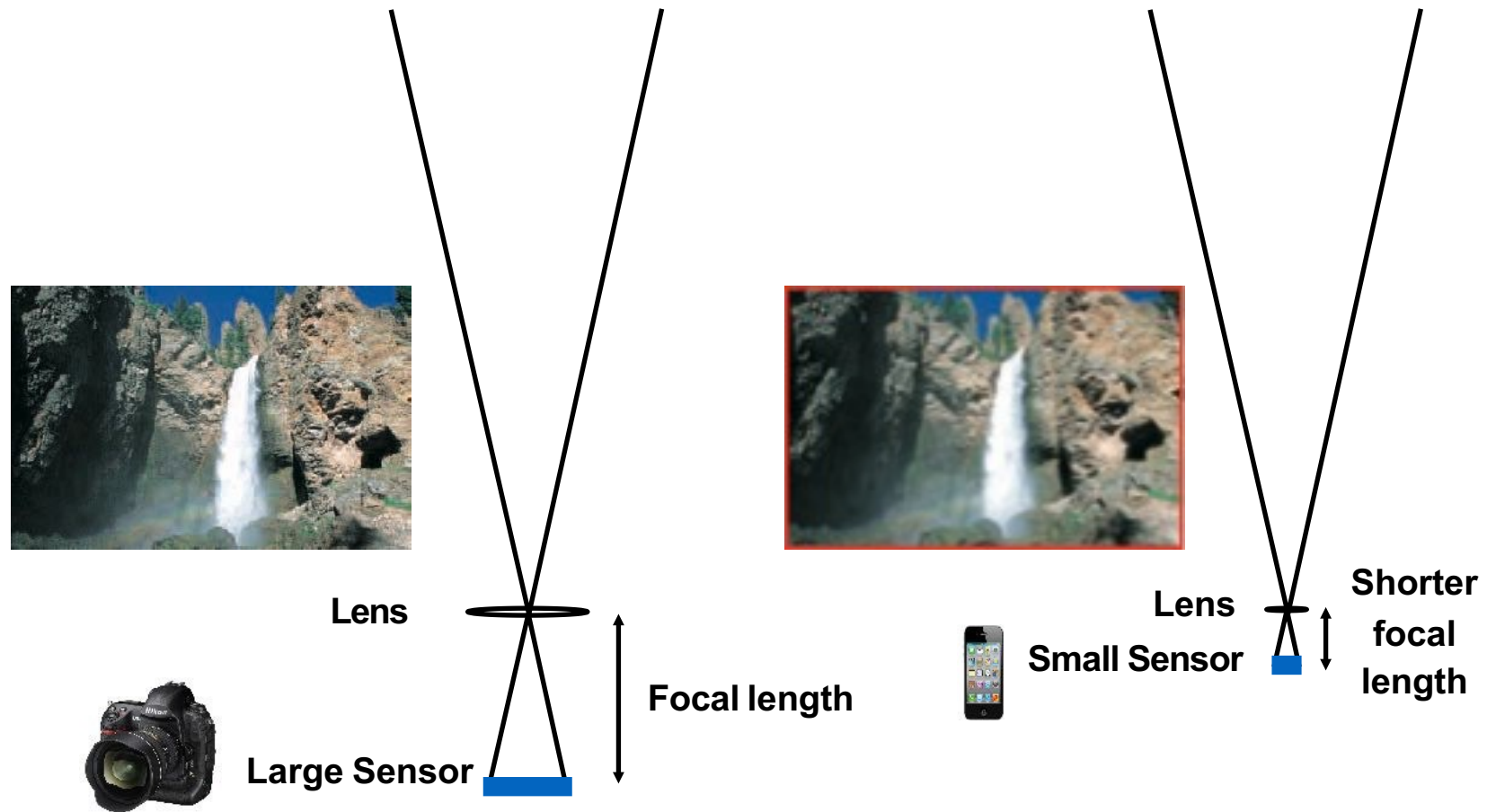
# Effect of Focal Length on FOV



**For a fixed sensor size, decreasing the focal length increases the field of view.**

$$\text{FOV} = 2 \arctan \sqrt{\frac{h}{2f}}$$

# Maintain FOV on Smaller Sensor?



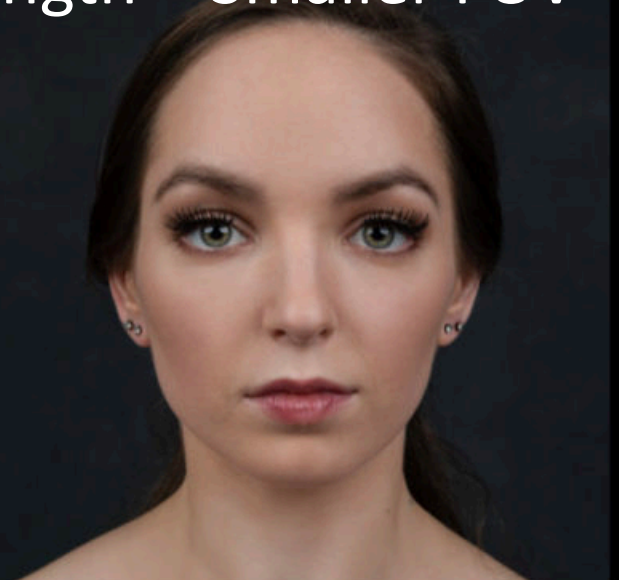
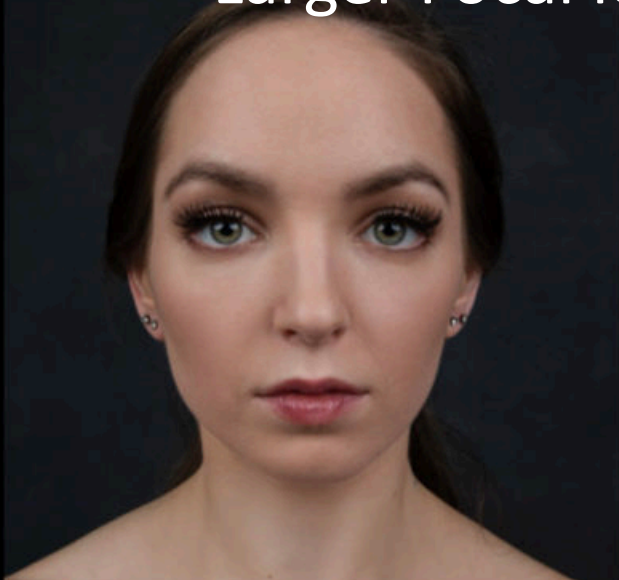
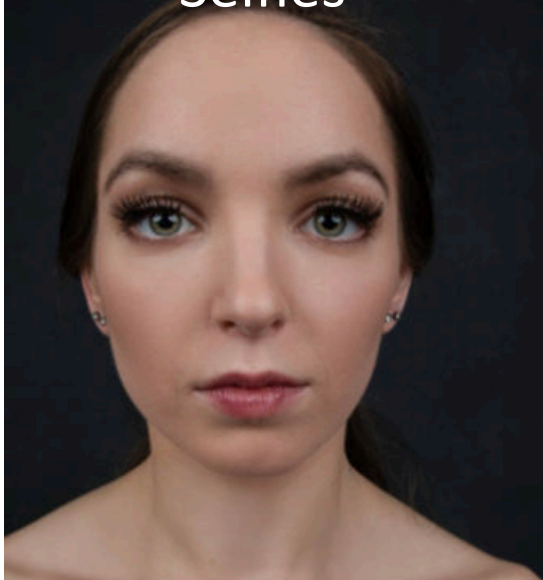
**To maintain FOV, decrease focal length of lens  
in proportion to width/height of sensor**

Larger Focal length =  
Smaller FOV



Selfies

Larger Focal length = Smaller FOV



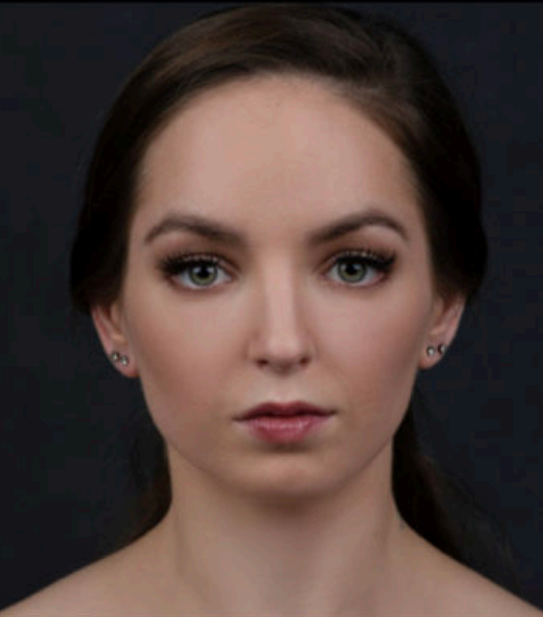
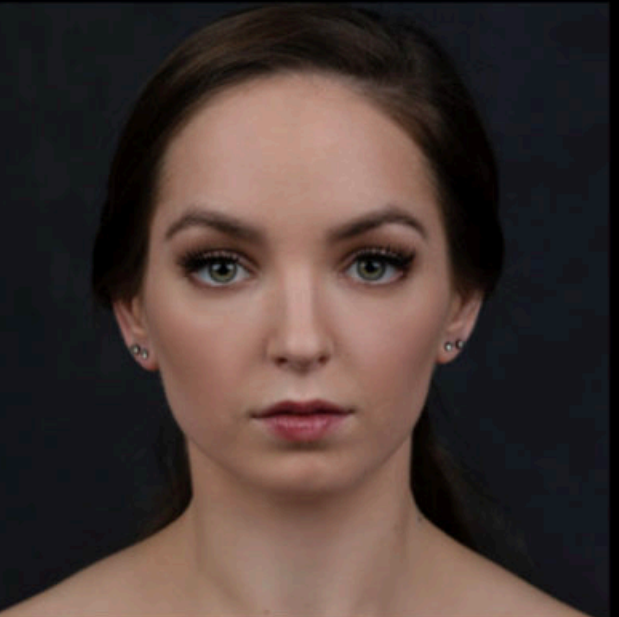
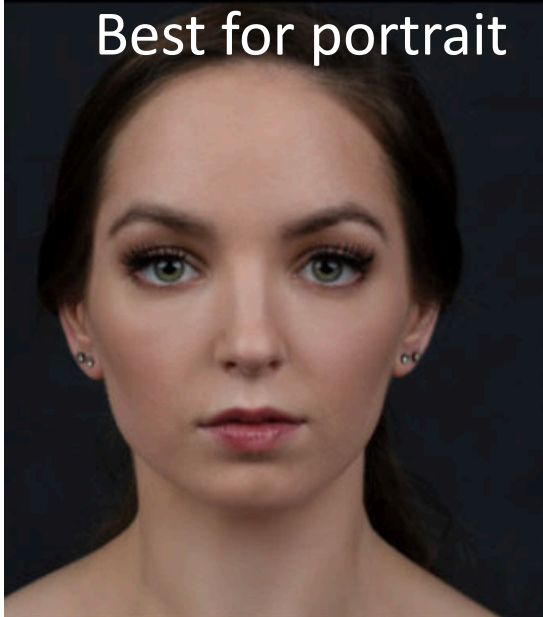
24mm

35mm

50mm

70mm

Best for portrait



85mm

105mm

135mm

200mm

A camera is a mapping between

the **3D world**

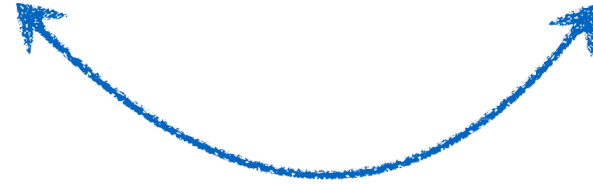
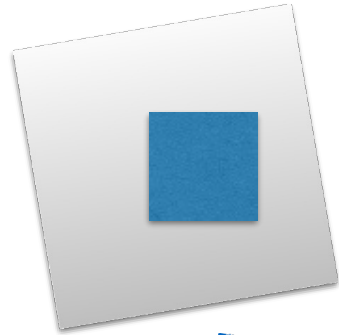
and

a **2D image**

3D object



3D to 2D Transform



2D to 2D Transform

A camera is a mapping between  
the 3D world and a 2D image

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X}$$

2D image  
point

camera  
matrix

3D world  
point

$$\boldsymbol{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 & p_2 & p_3 & p_4 \\ p_5 & p_6 & p_7 & p_8 \\ p_9 & p_{10} & p_{11} & p_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

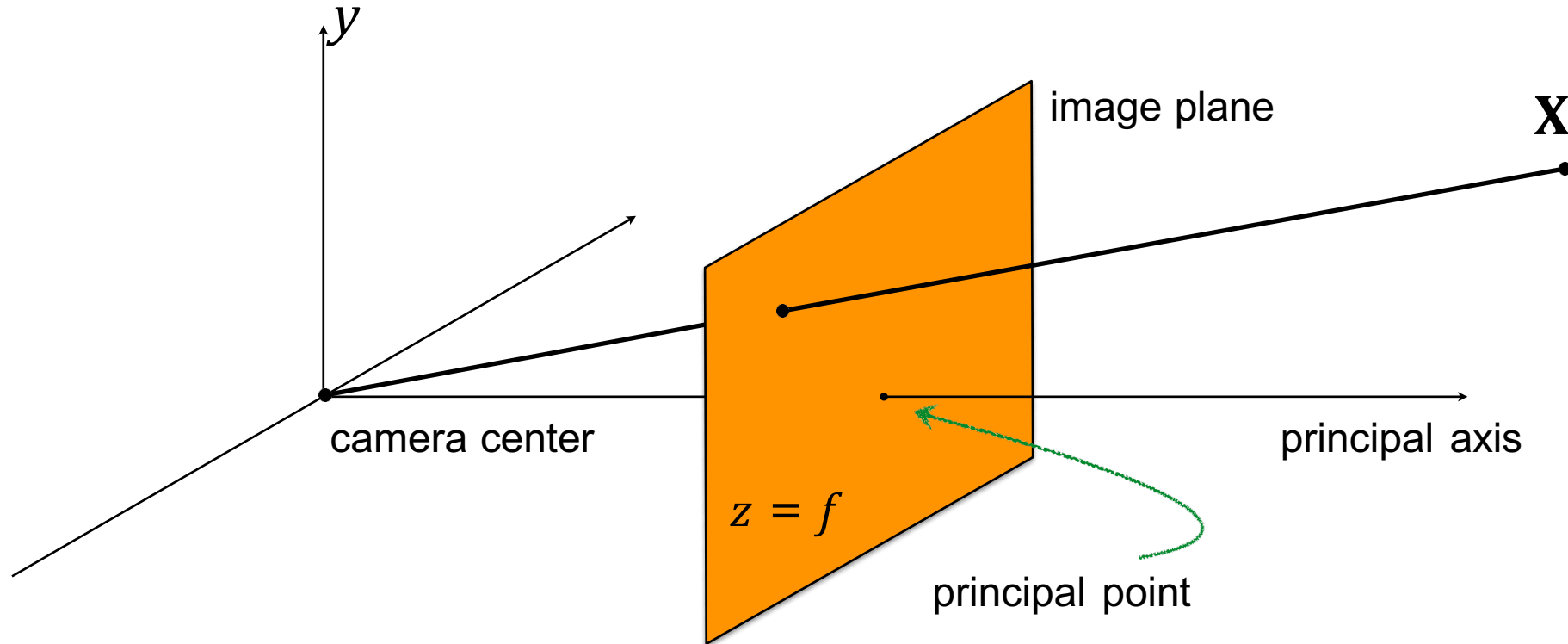
homogeneous  
image  
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Camera  
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world point  
4 x 1

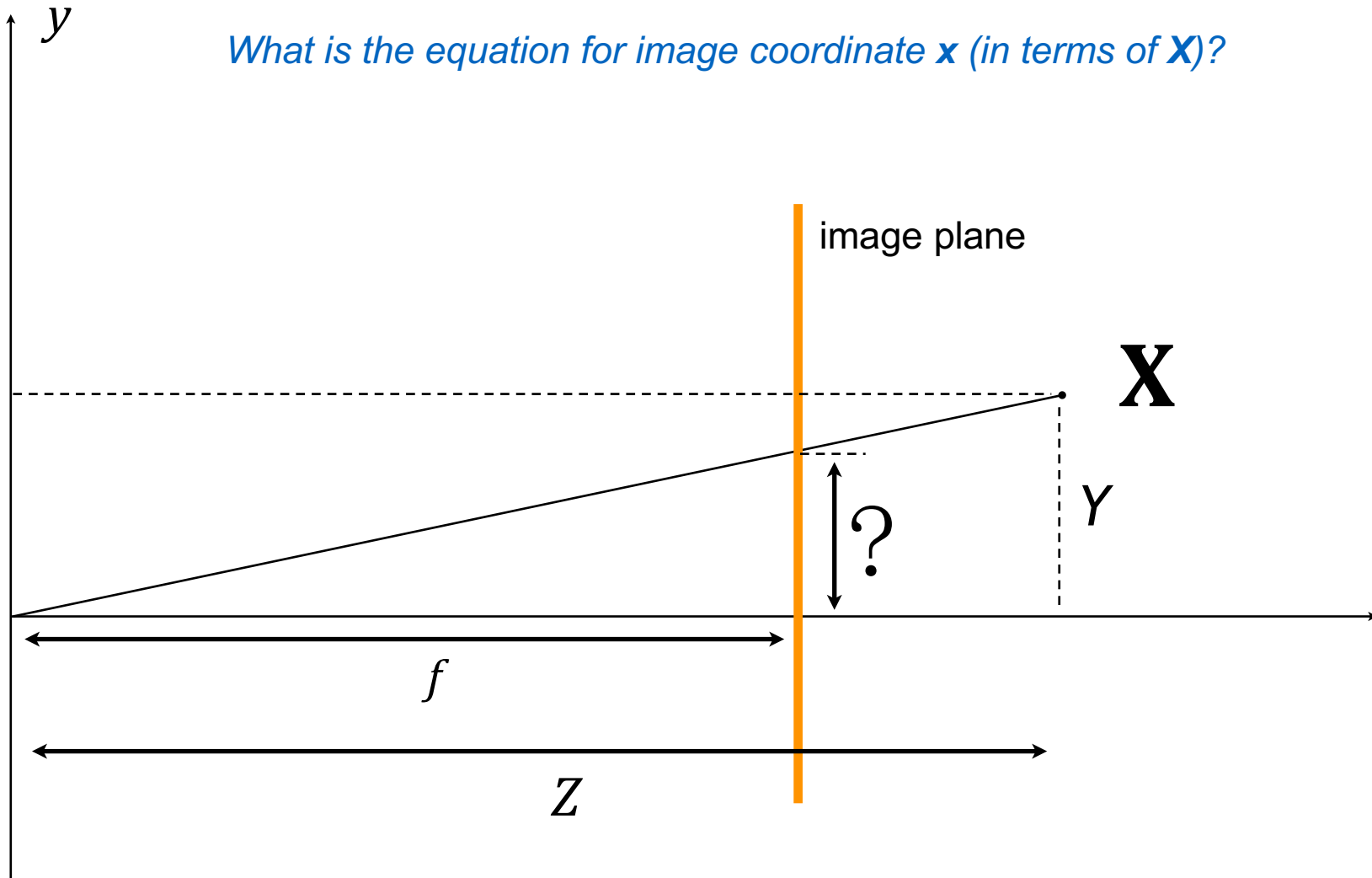


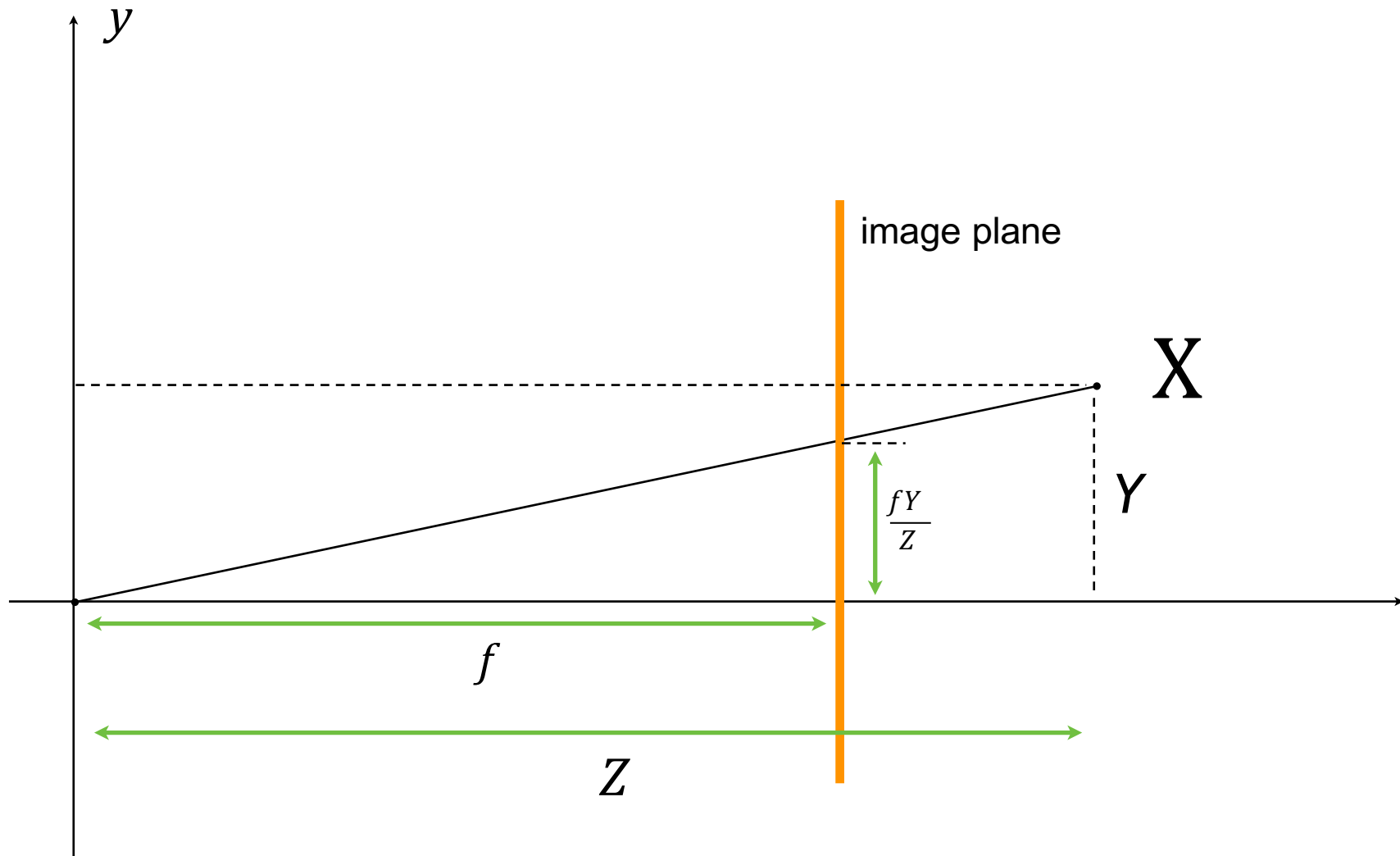
# The pinhole camera



*What is the equation for image coordinate  $x$  (in terms of  $X$ )?*

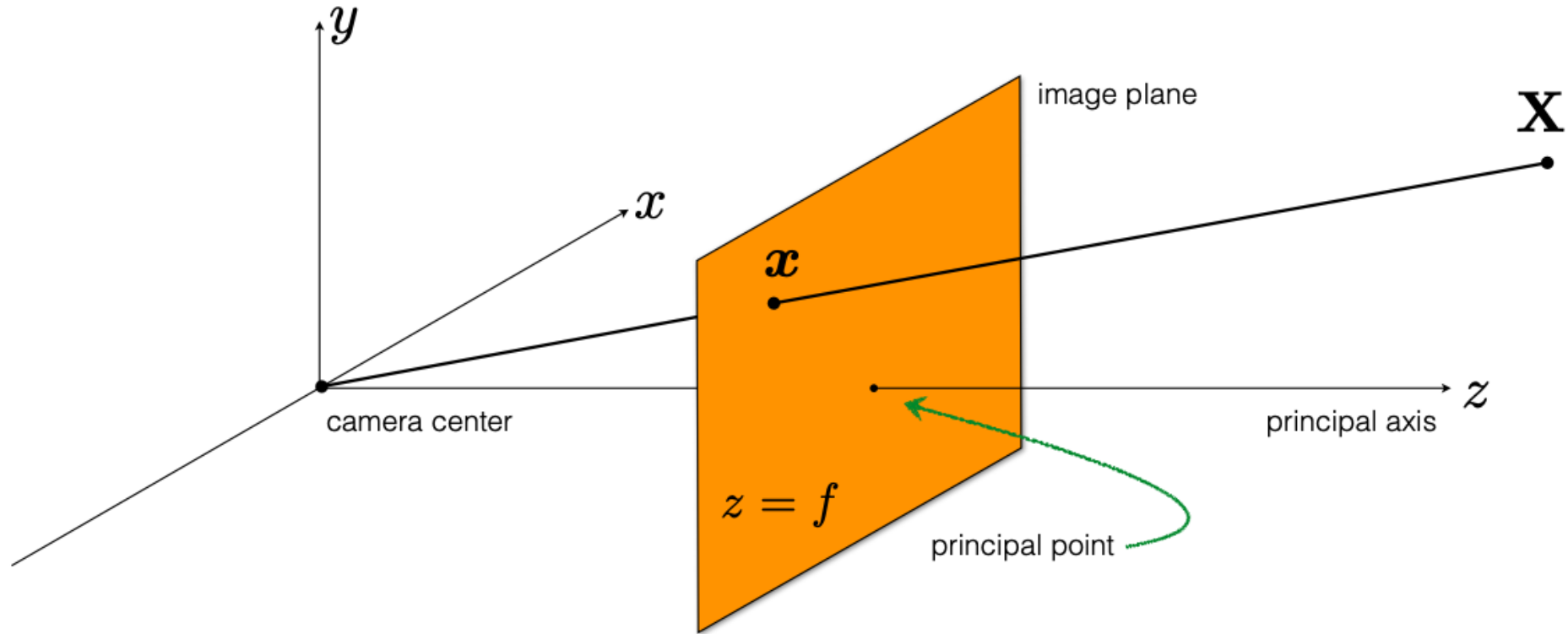
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$$[X \quad Y \quad Z]^T \mapsto [fX/Z \quad fY/Z]^T$$

# Pinhole camera geometry



*What is the camera matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  for a pinhole camera model?*

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}$$

Relationship from similar triangles...

$$[X \quad Y \quad Z]^T \mapsto [fX/Z \quad fY/Z]^T$$

generic camera model

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*What does the pinhole camera model look like?*

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \end{bmatrix}$$

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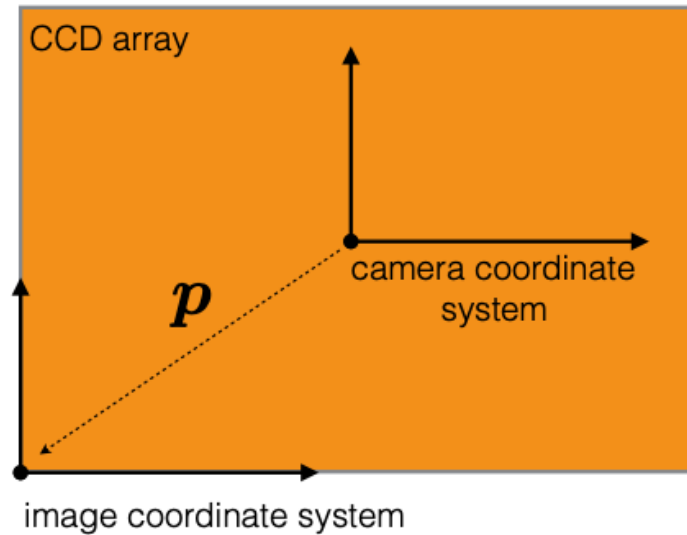
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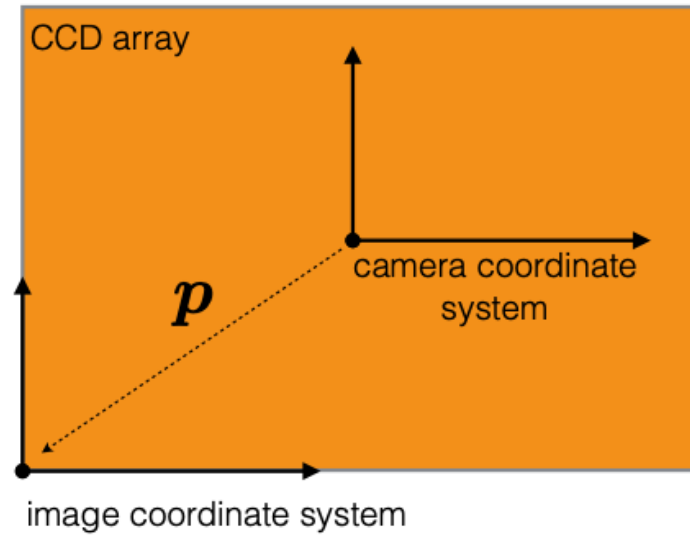
*What does the pinhole camera model look like?*

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Camera origin and image origin might be different



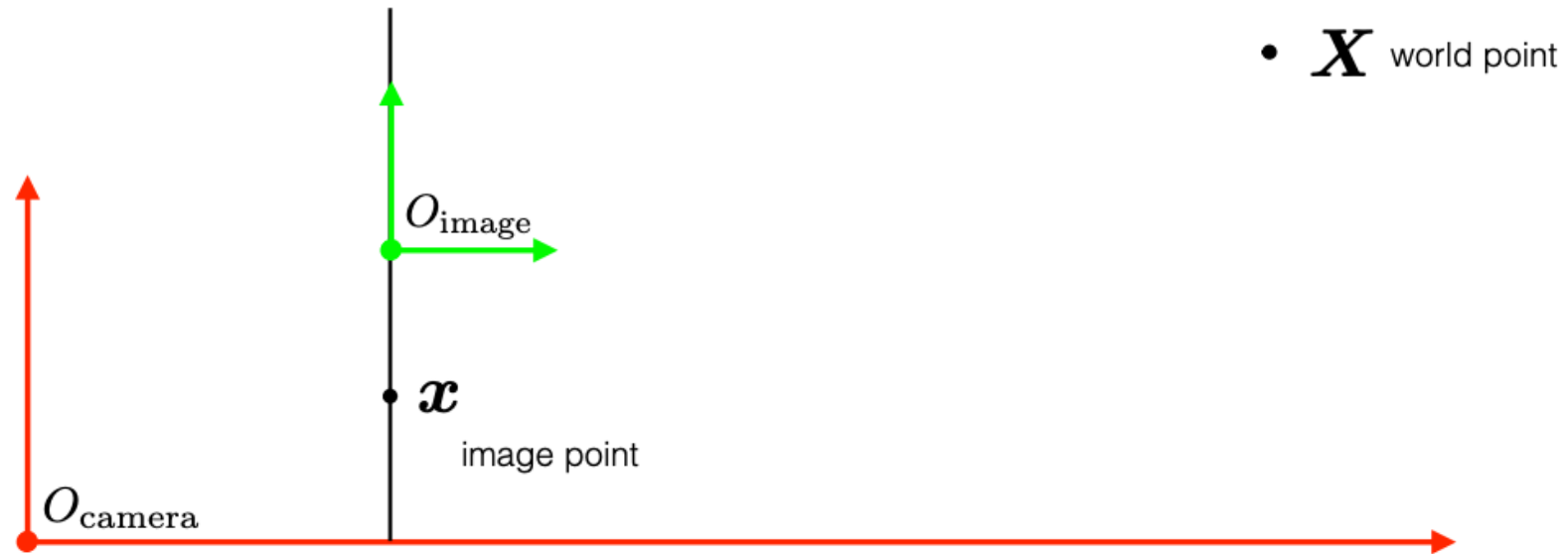


$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & p_x & 0 \\ 0 & f & p_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

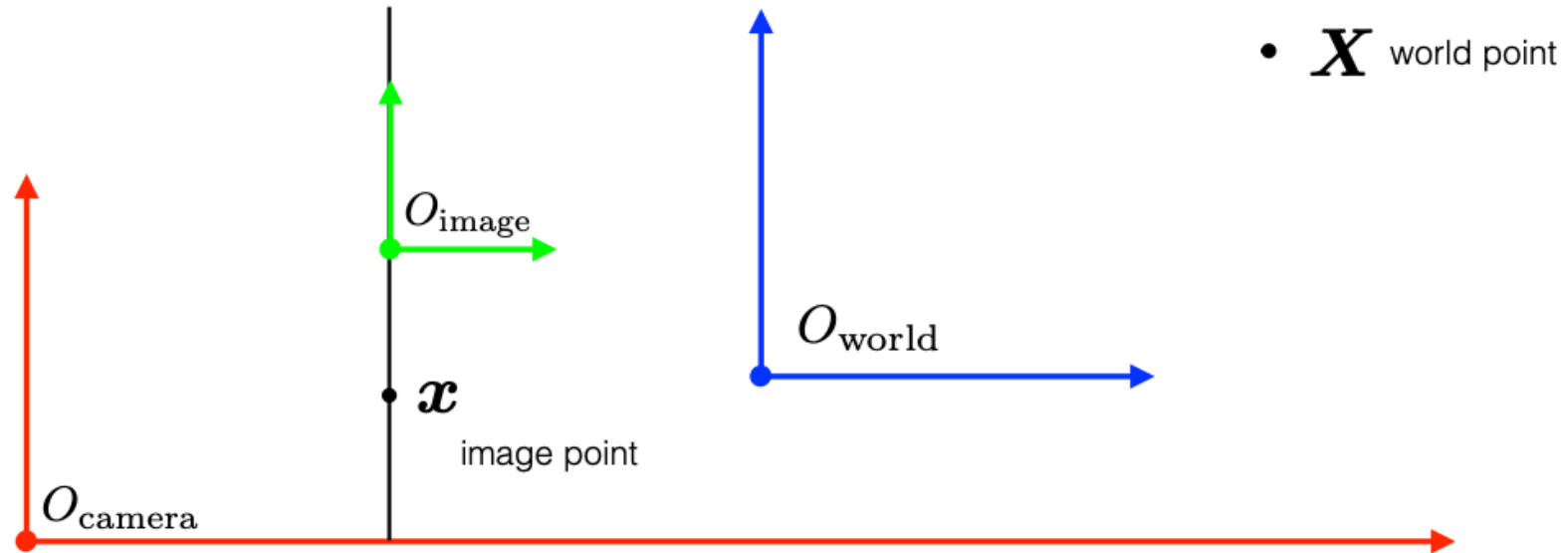
Accounts for different origins



In general, the camera and image sensor have **different** coordinate systems



In general, there are **three different** coordinate systems...



so you need to know the transformations between them

Can be decomposed into two matrices

- Relationship between image & camera coord. Systems.
- Camera Calibration matrix
- Camera Extrinsic
- Can be obtained from image meta data.

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & p_x \\ 0 & f & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$(3 \times 3)$   $(3 \times 4)$

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{0}]$$

- Relationship between world & camera coord. Systems.
- Camera Intrinsic
- Often known as 'Camera Pose Estimation/ Camera Localization problem'.

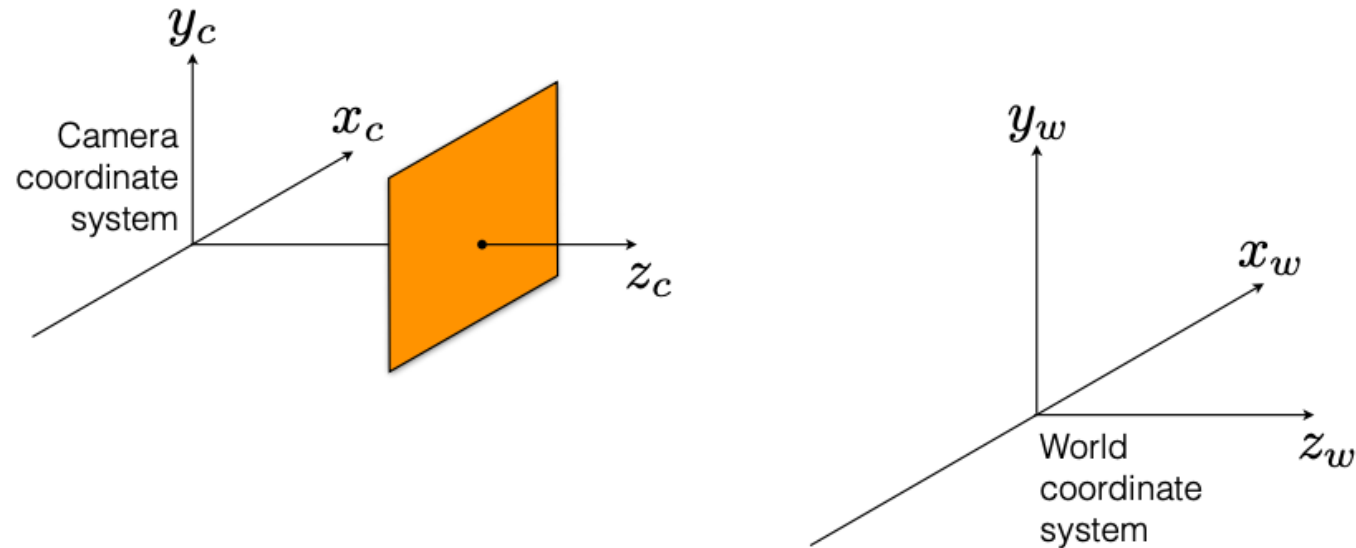
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calibration matrix

Assumes that the **camera** and **world** share the same coordinate system

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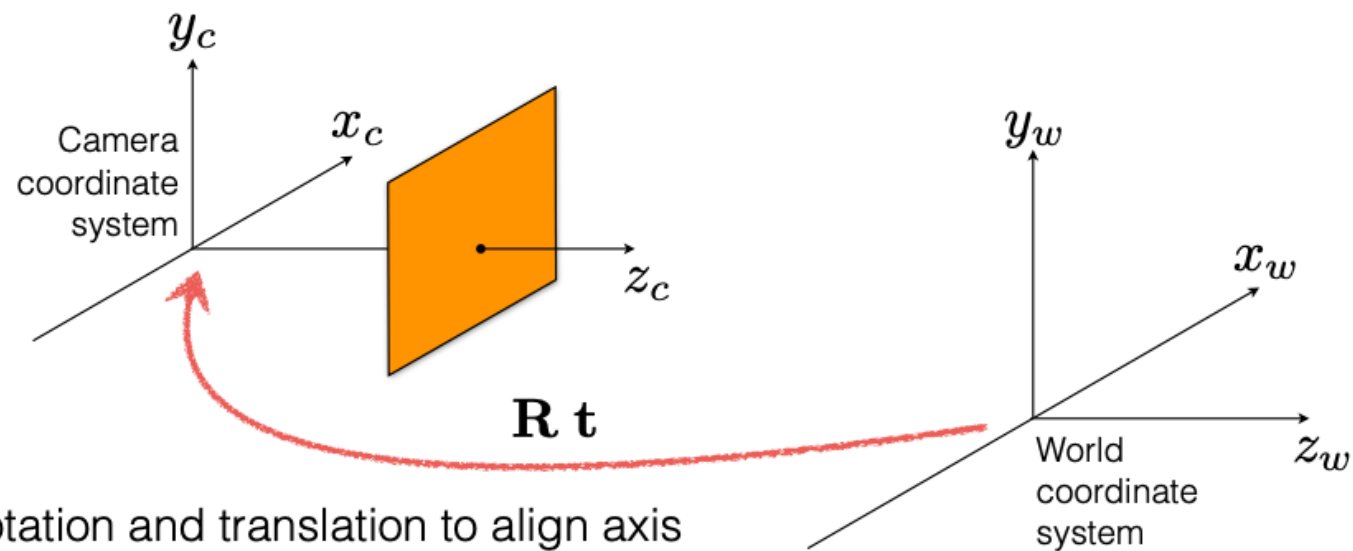
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How do we align them?*

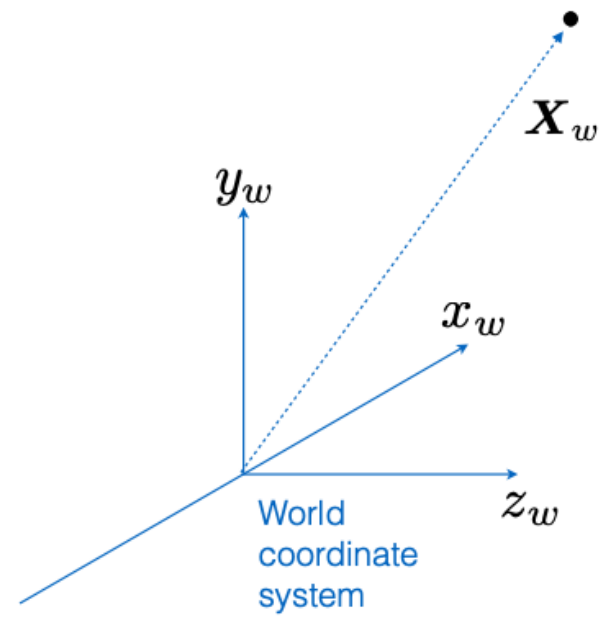
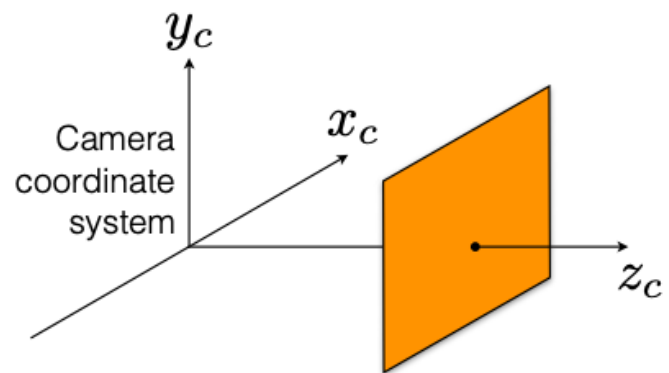


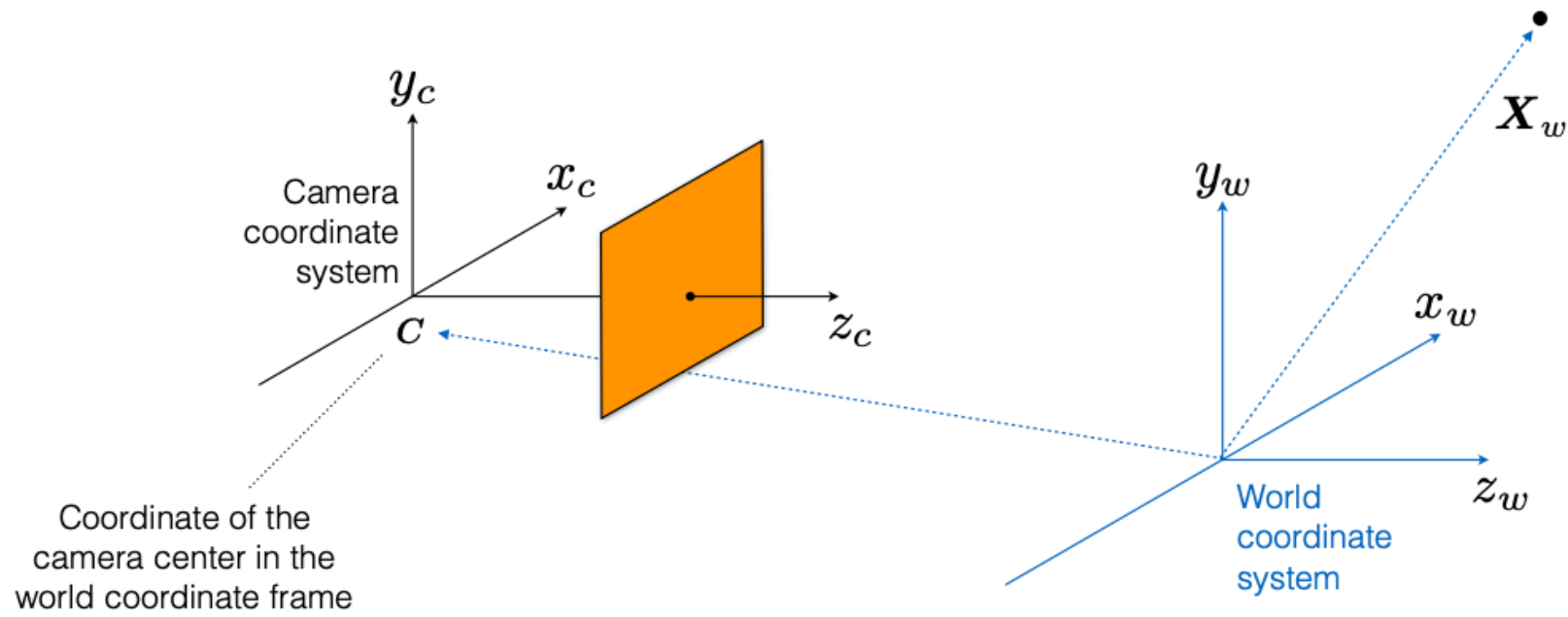
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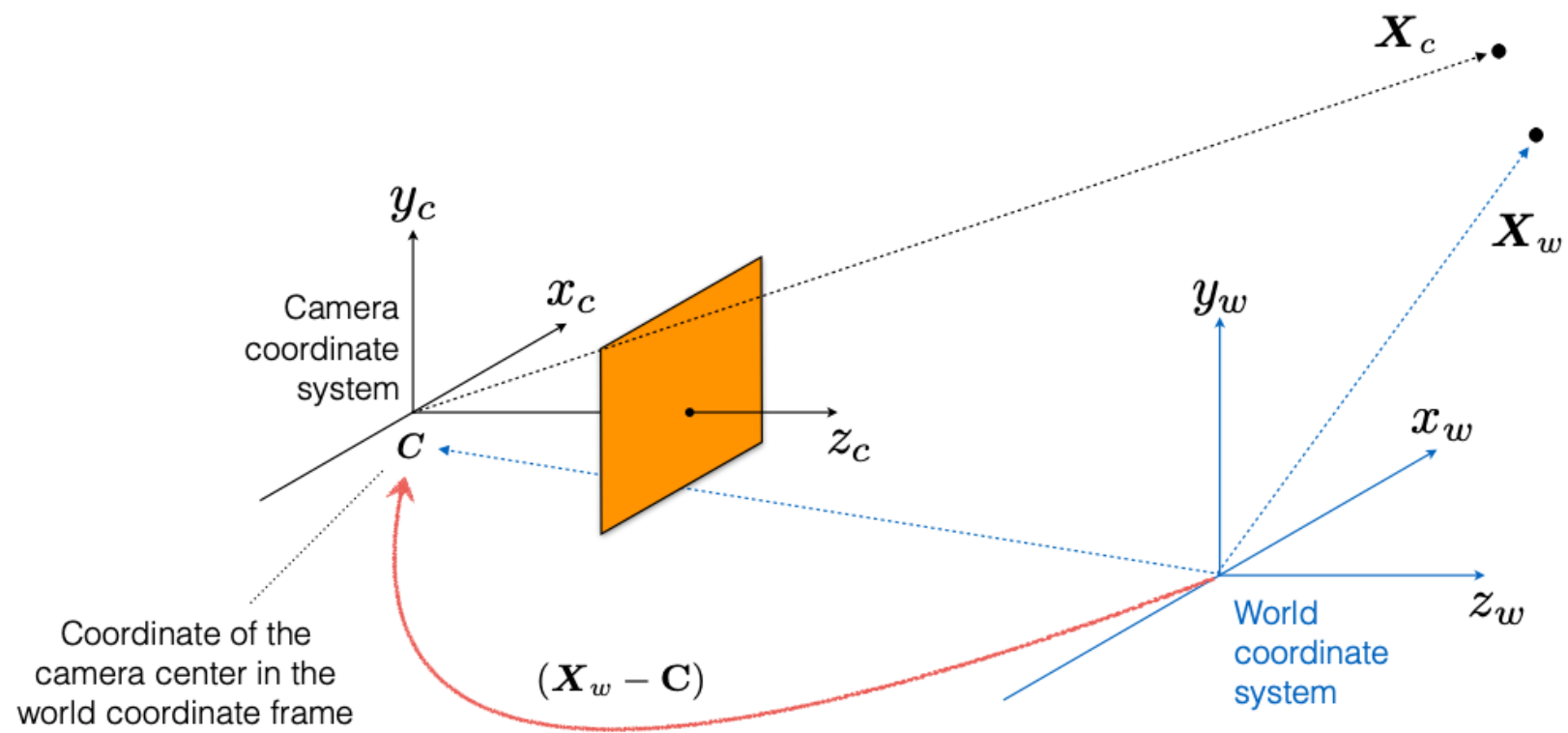
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*What if they are different?  
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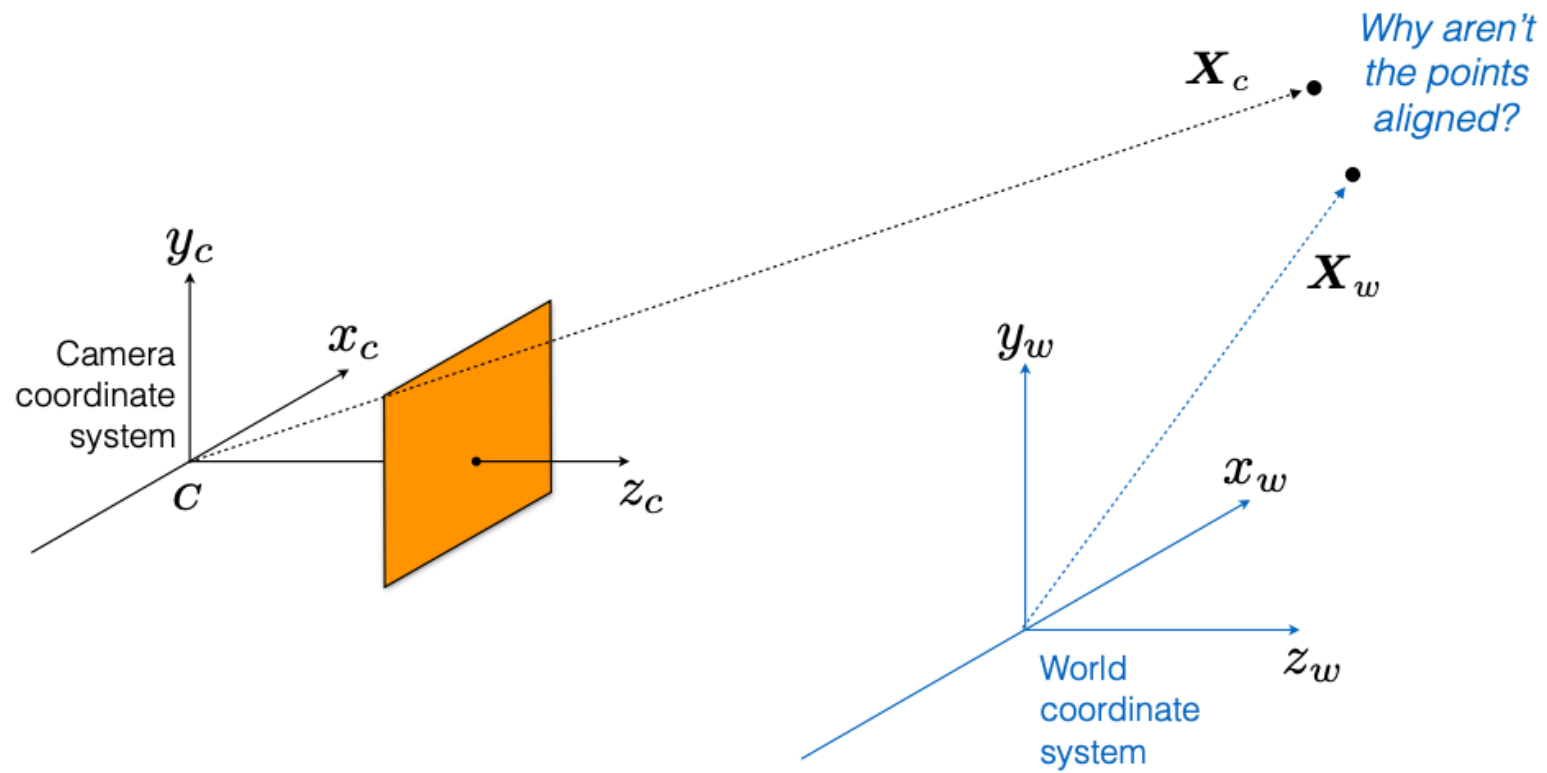




$$(X_w - C)$$

Translate

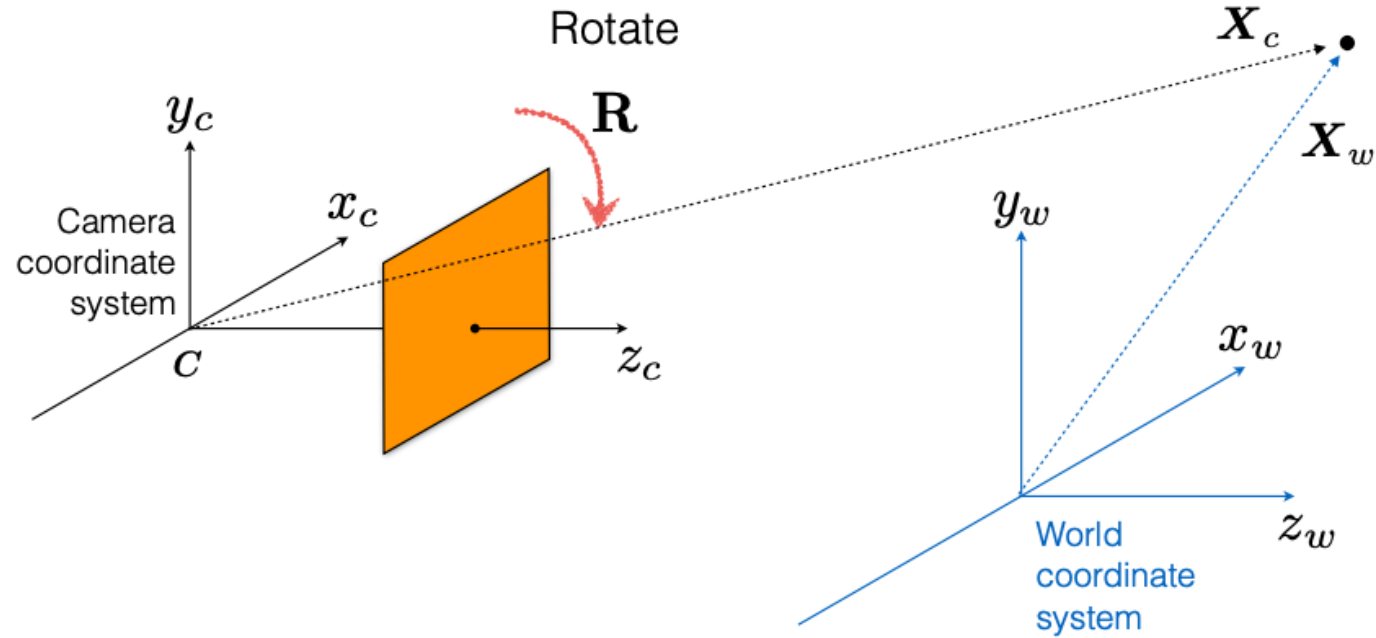




$$(\mathbf{X}_w - \mathbf{C})$$

Translate

## What happens to points after alignment?



$$\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{X}_w - \mathbf{C})$$

Rotate Translate

In inhomogeneous coordinates:

$$\mathbf{X}_c = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{X}_w - \mathbf{C})$$

Optionally in homogeneous coordinates:

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_c \\ Y_c \\ Z_c \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & -\mathbf{RC} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{(4 \times 4)} \begin{bmatrix} X_w \\ Y_w \\ Z_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

General mapping of a pinhole camera

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{KR}[\mathbf{I} | -\mathbf{C}]$$

General mapping of a pinhole camera

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{KR}[\mathbf{I} | -\mathbf{C}]$$

(translate first then rotate)

Another way to write the mapping

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R} | \mathbf{t}]$$

where

$$\mathbf{t} = -\mathbf{RC}$$

(rotate first then translate)

 Respond at **PollEv.com/ronisen** 

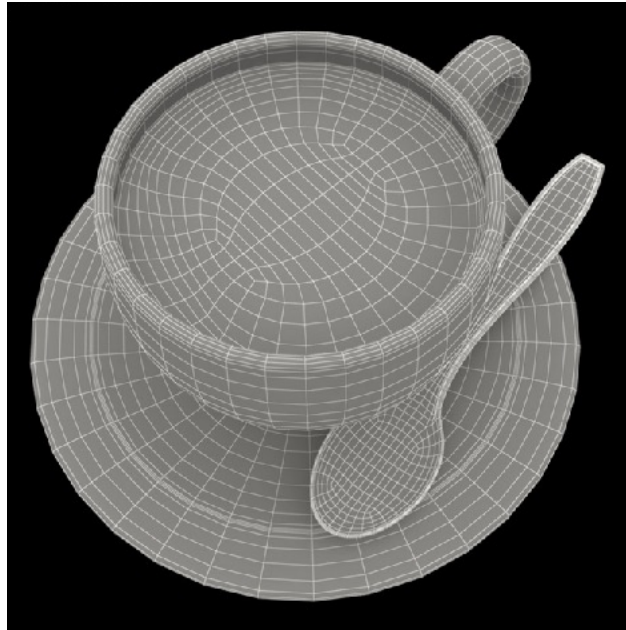
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**Feel free to share your questions...**

# Agenda

- How do we define geometry/shape of an object?
- How do we define a camera model? – 3D object to 2D image
- How do we define material property? – glossy, metallic

# What is Material in Computer Graphics?



**3D coffee mug model**



**Rendered**



**Rendered**

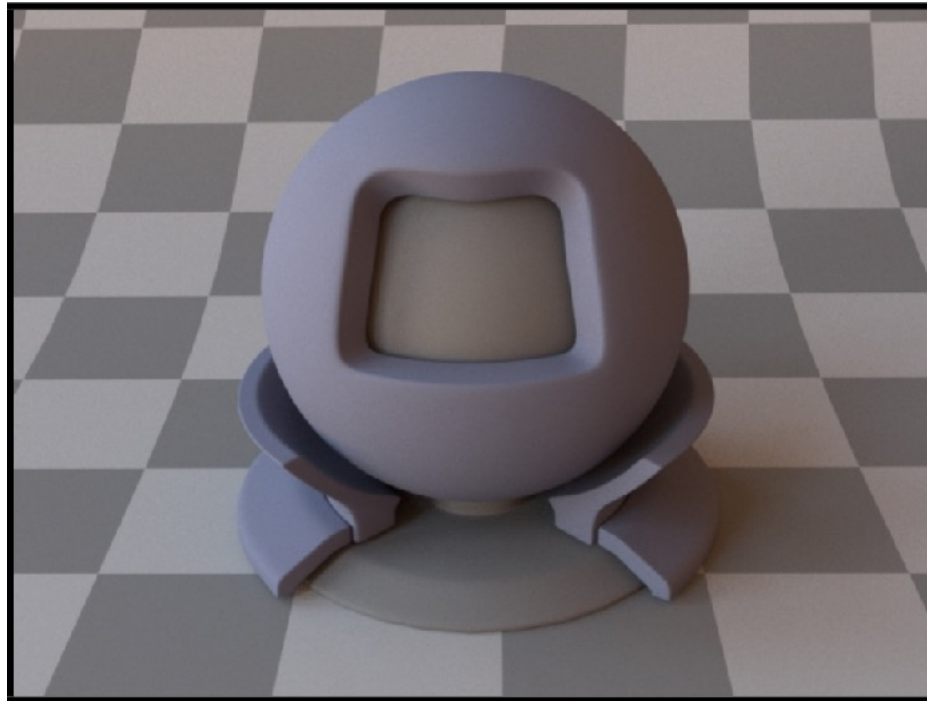
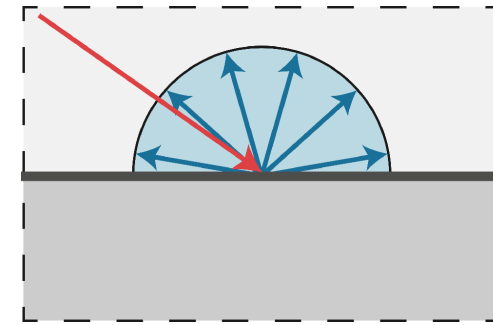
**[From TurboSquid, created by artist 3dror]**

Material == BRDF

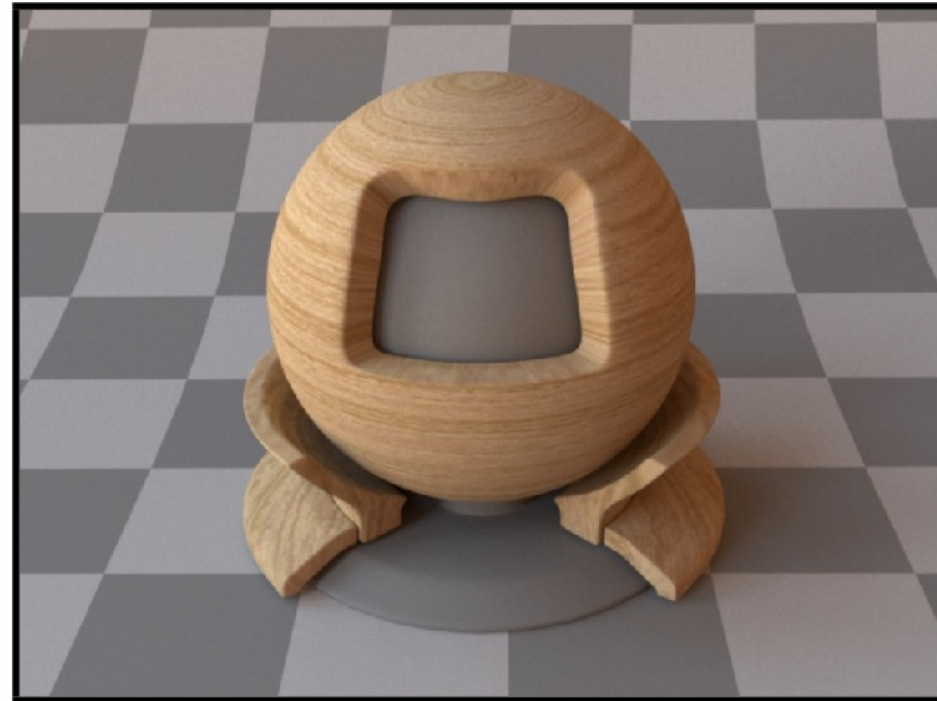
Further reading: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bidirectional\\_reflectance\\_distribution\\_function](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bidirectional_reflectance_distribution_function)



# Diffuse / Lambertian Material (BRDF)

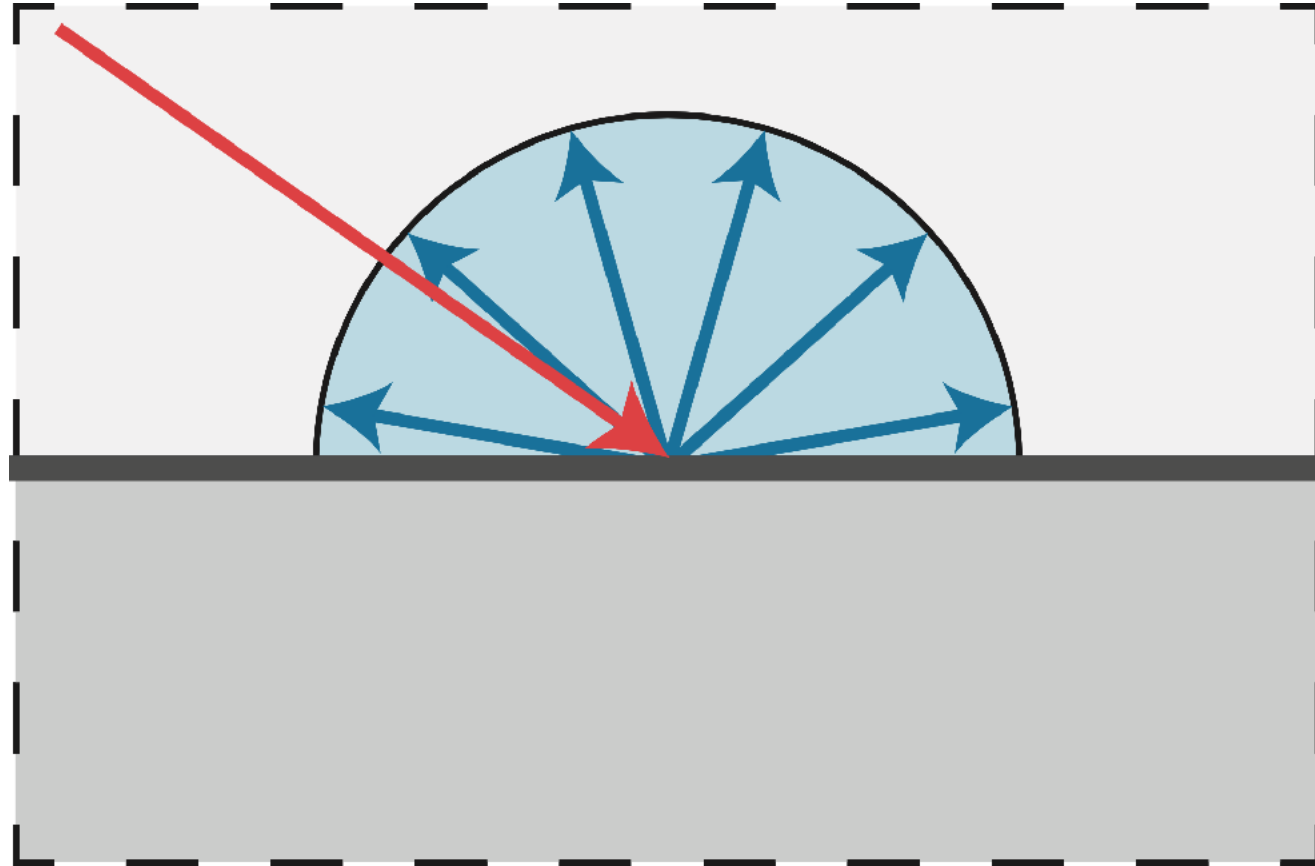


**Uniform colored diffuse BRDF**

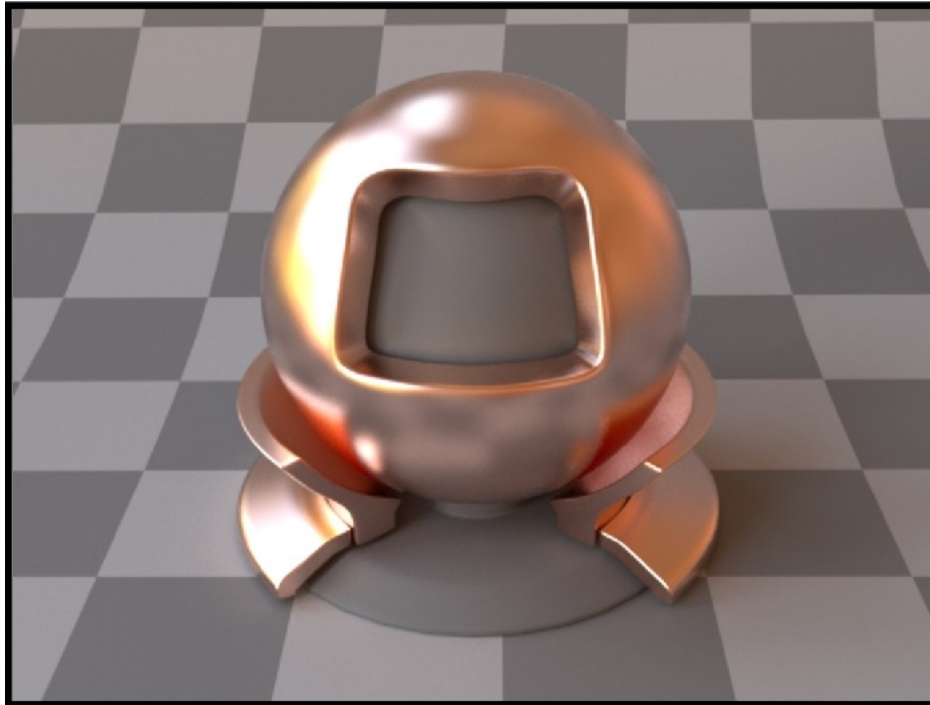
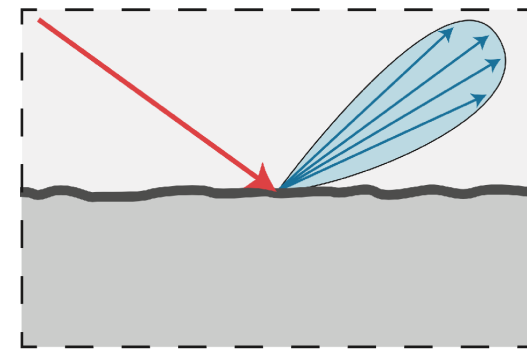


**Textured diffuse BRDF**

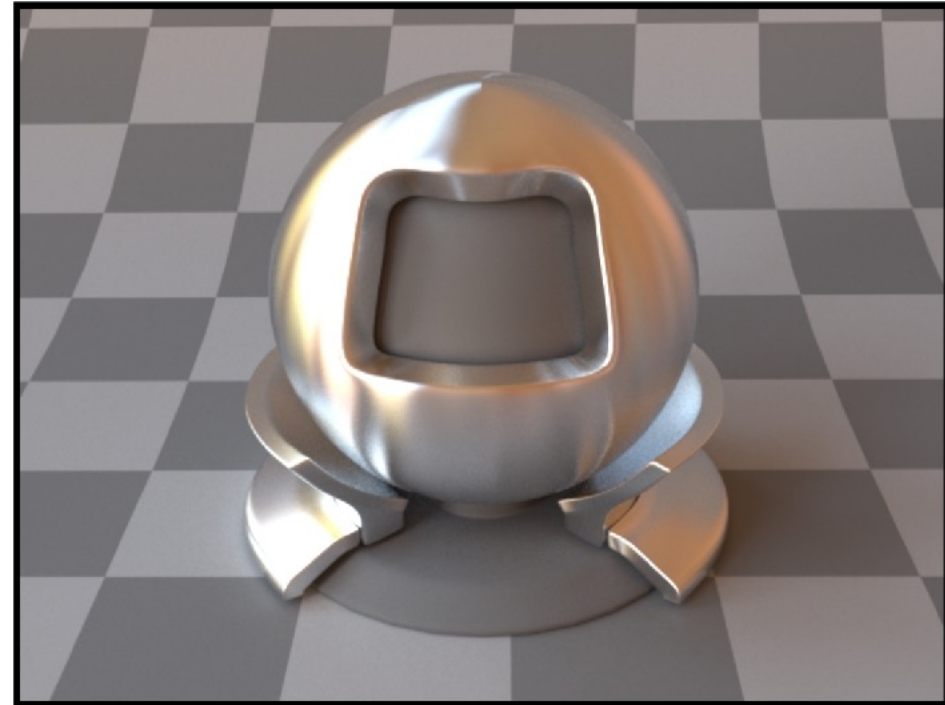
# Diffuse/ Lambertian



# Glossy material (BRDF)

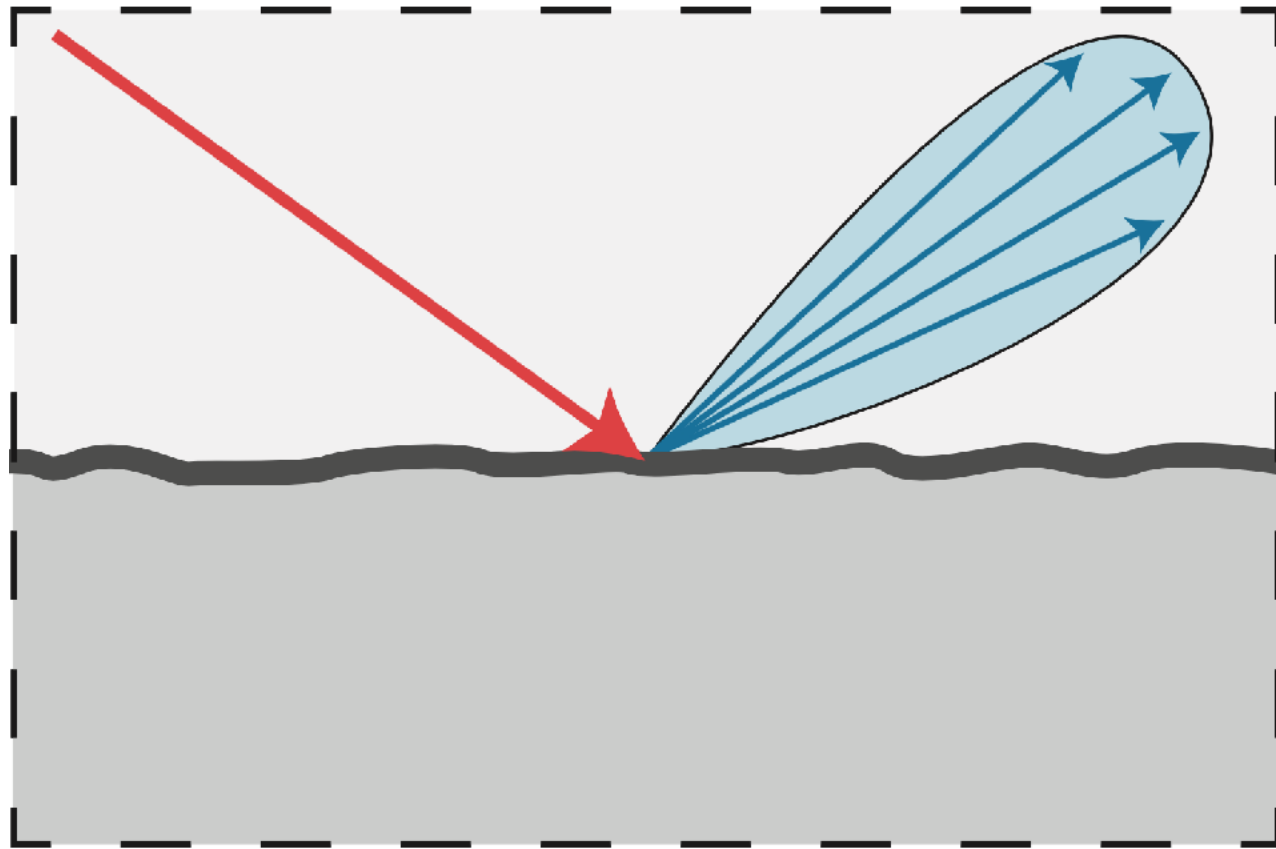


**Copper**



**Aluminum**

Glossy



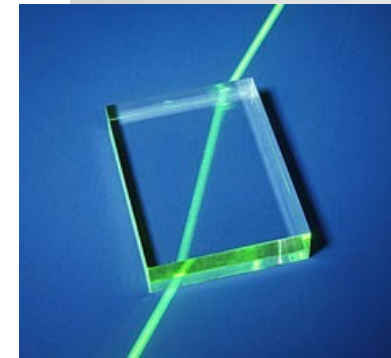
# Refraction

In addition to reflecting off surface, light may be transmitted through surface.

Light refracts when it enters a new medium.

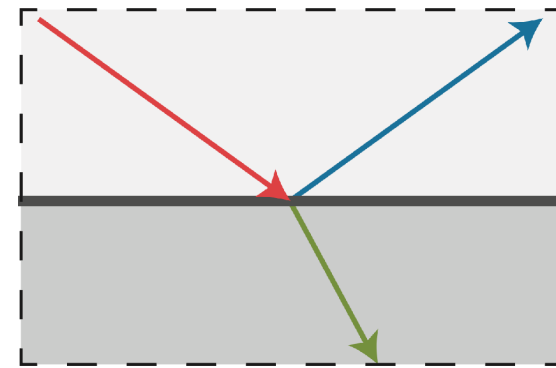


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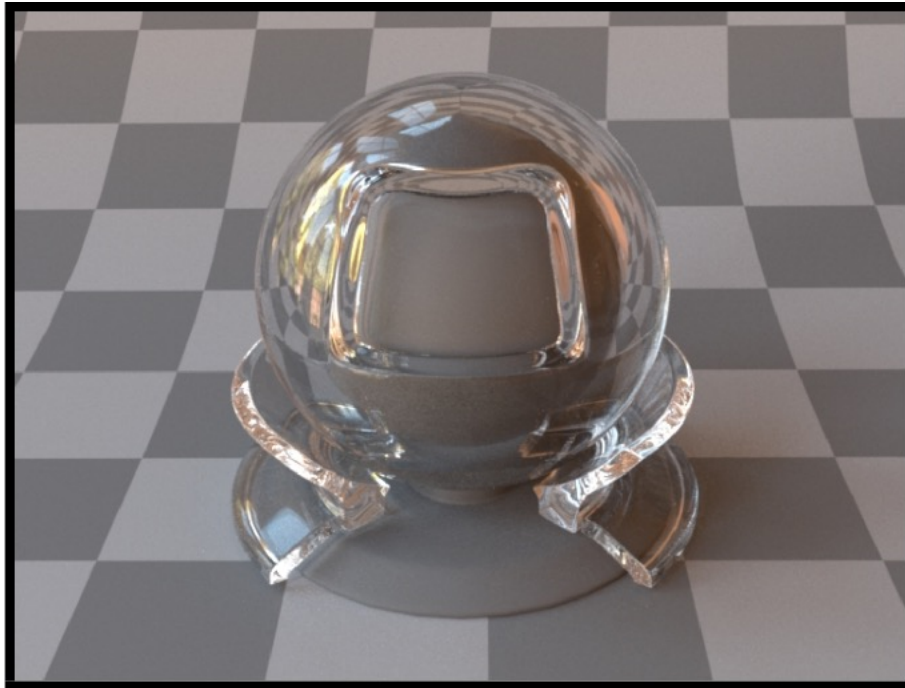


Kanazawa & Ng

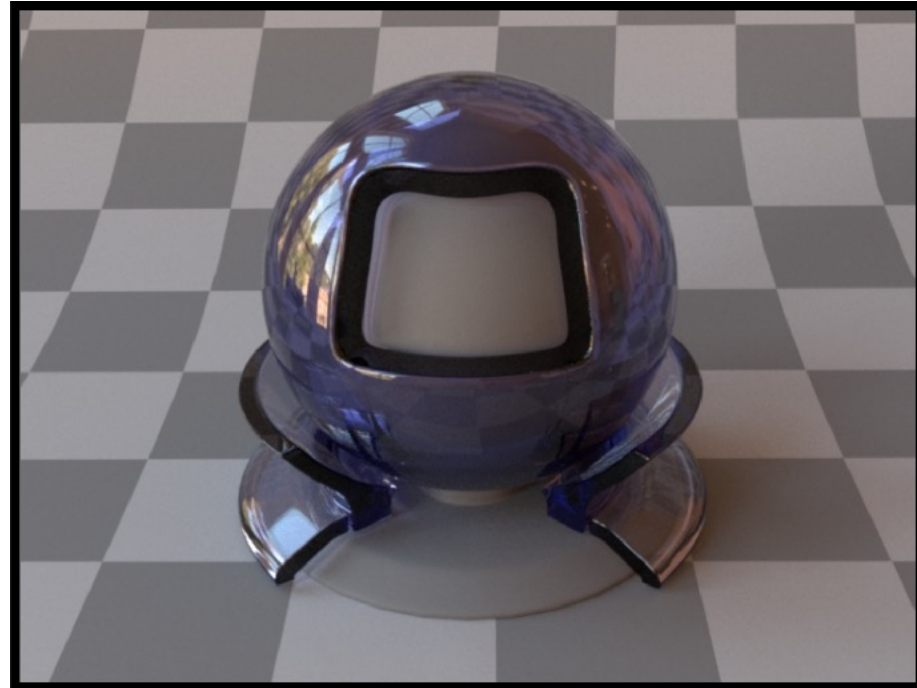
# Ideal reflective / refractive material (BSDF\*)



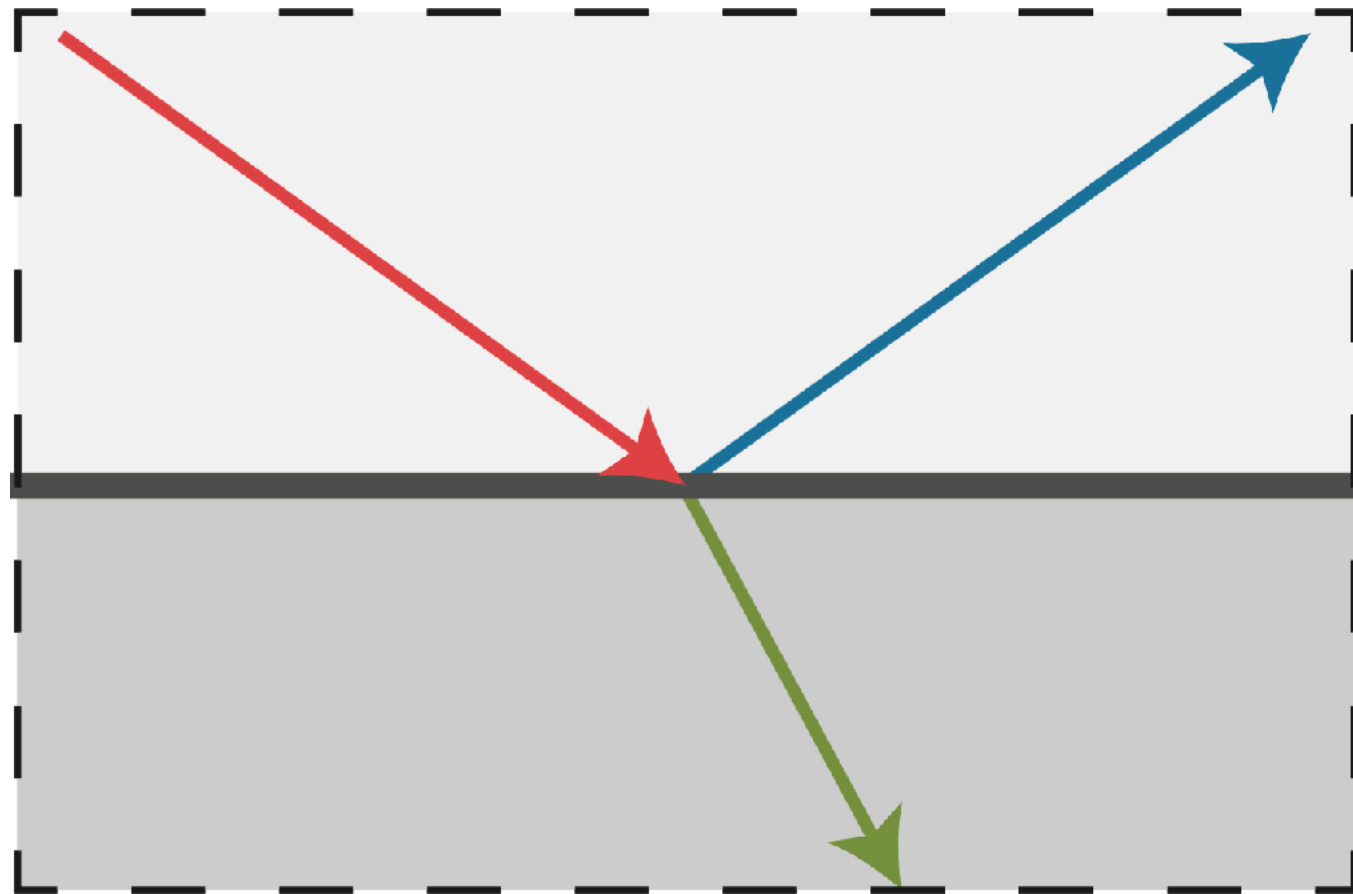
[Mitsuba renderer, Wenzel Jakob, 2010]



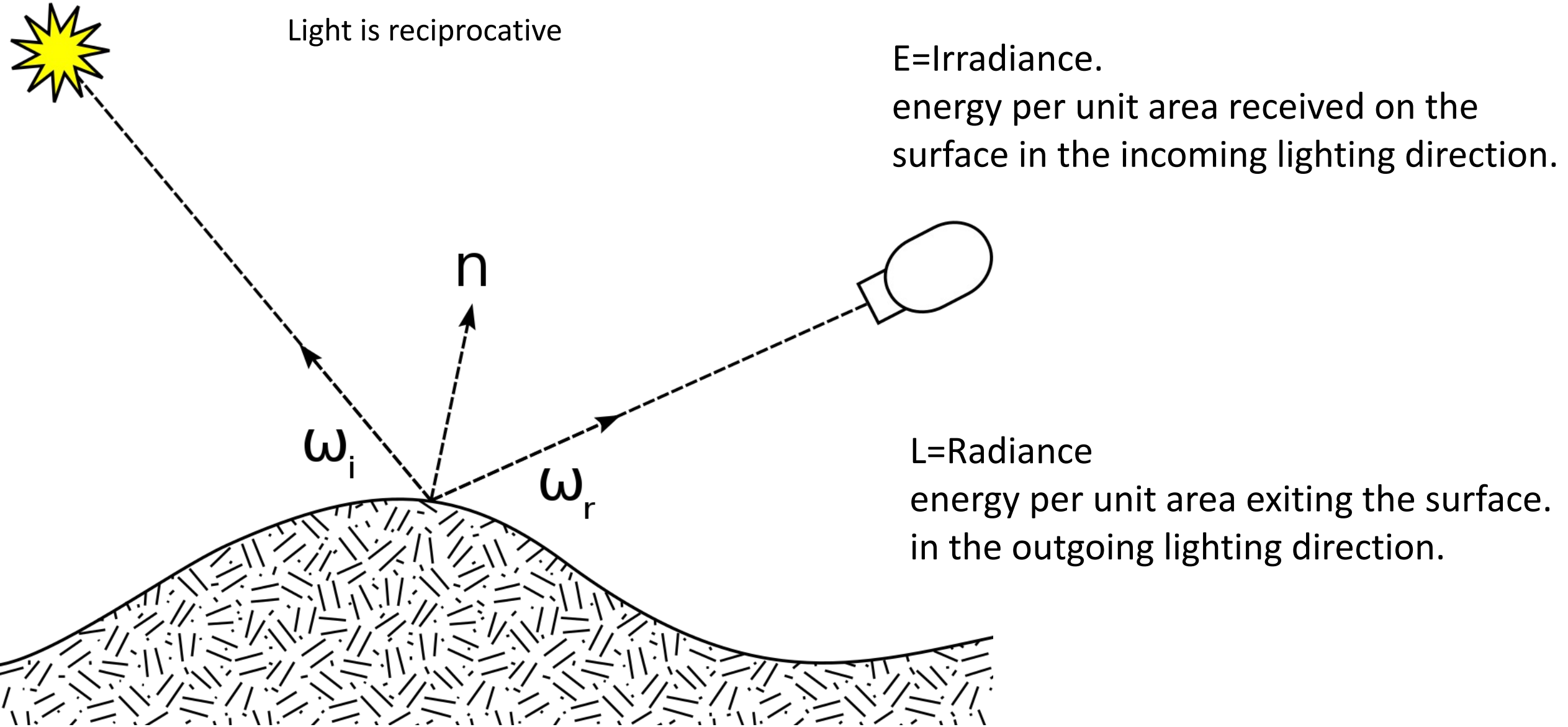
Air <-> plastic interface



Air <-> glass interface  
(with absorption)



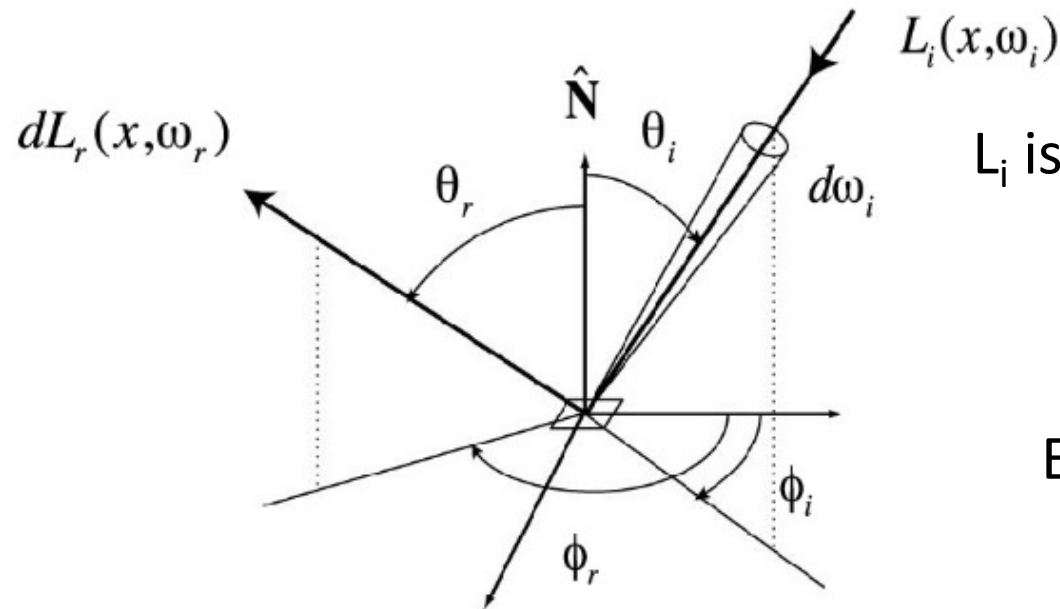
# Bi-directional Radiance Distribution Function (BRDF)





# BRDF

Definition: The bidirectional reflectance distribution function (BRDF) represents how much light is reflected into each outgoing direction  $\omega_r$  from each incoming direction



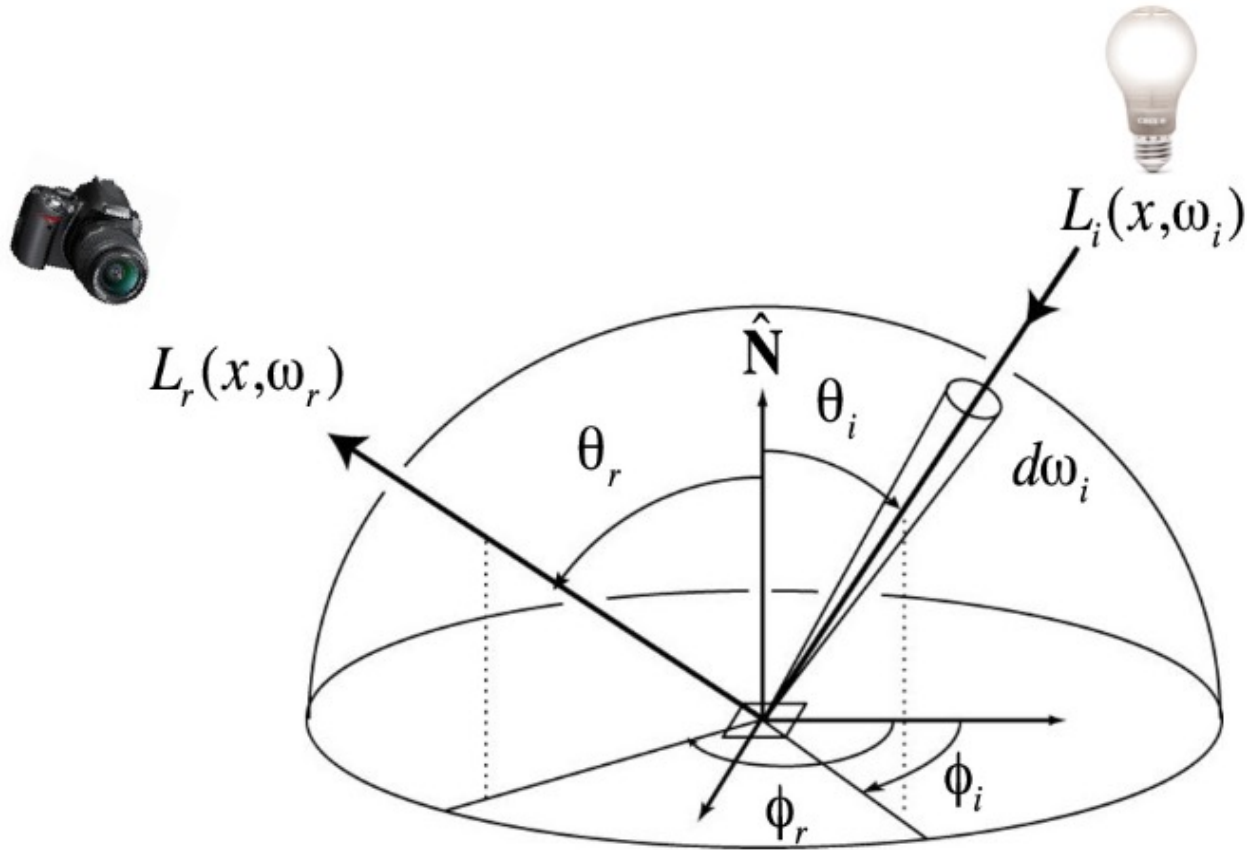
$L_i$  is intensity of the light source.

Energy received by the surface is:

$$E_i = L_i \cos \theta_i$$

$$f_r(\omega_i \rightarrow \omega_r) = \frac{dL_r(\omega_r)}{dE_i(\omega_i)} = \frac{dL_r(\omega_r)}{L_i(\omega_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i} \left[ \frac{1}{\text{sr}} \right]$$

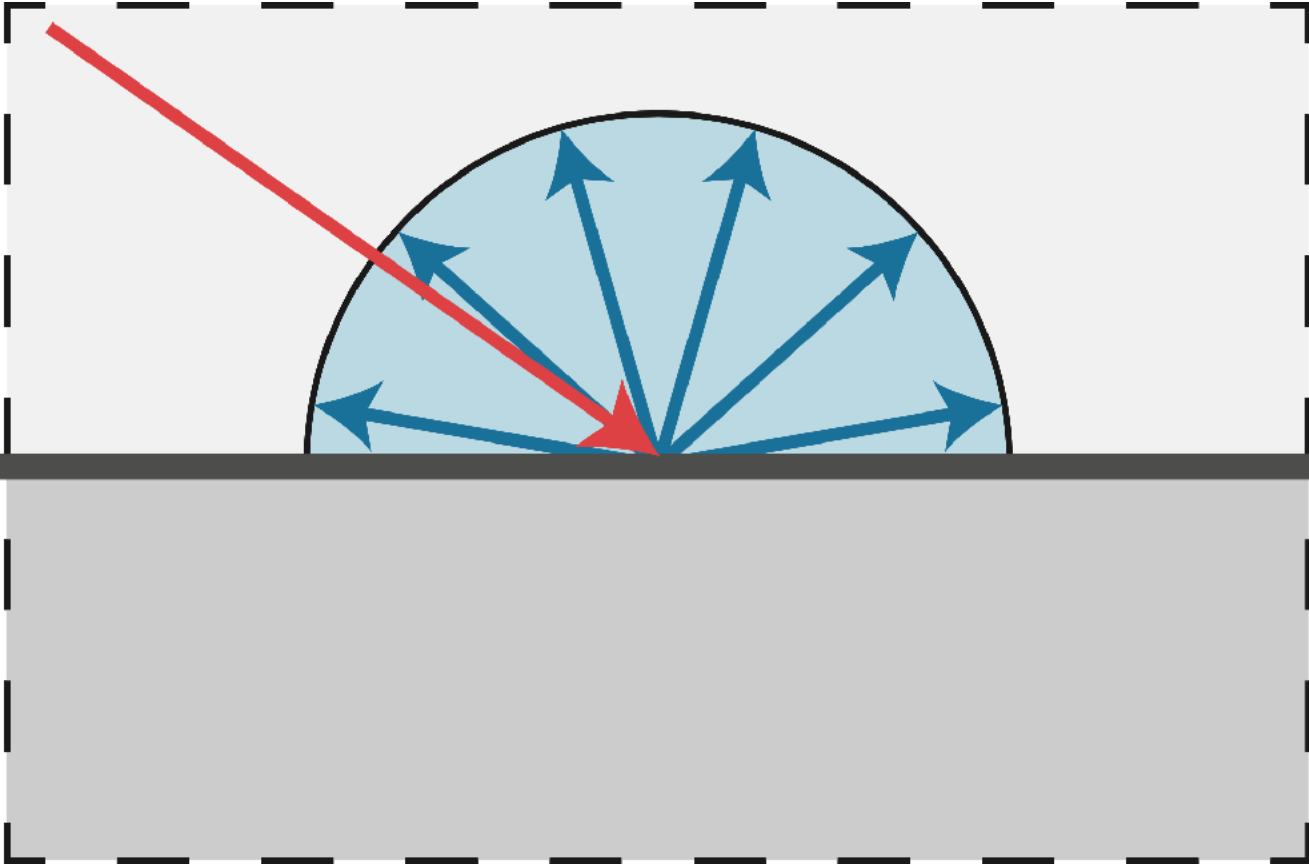
# The Reflection Equation



BRDF at a point  $p$  on the surface is a 4D function of 4 angles related to incoming and outgoing lighting direction.

$$L_r(p, \omega_r) = \int_{H^2} \boxed{f_r(p, \omega_i \rightarrow \omega_r)} L_i(p, \omega_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i$$

# Diffuse/ Lambertian



$$f(p, w_i \rightarrow w_r) = a(p)$$

$a(p)$  is termed as Albedo.

Albedo for a HxWx3 RGB image is HxWx3

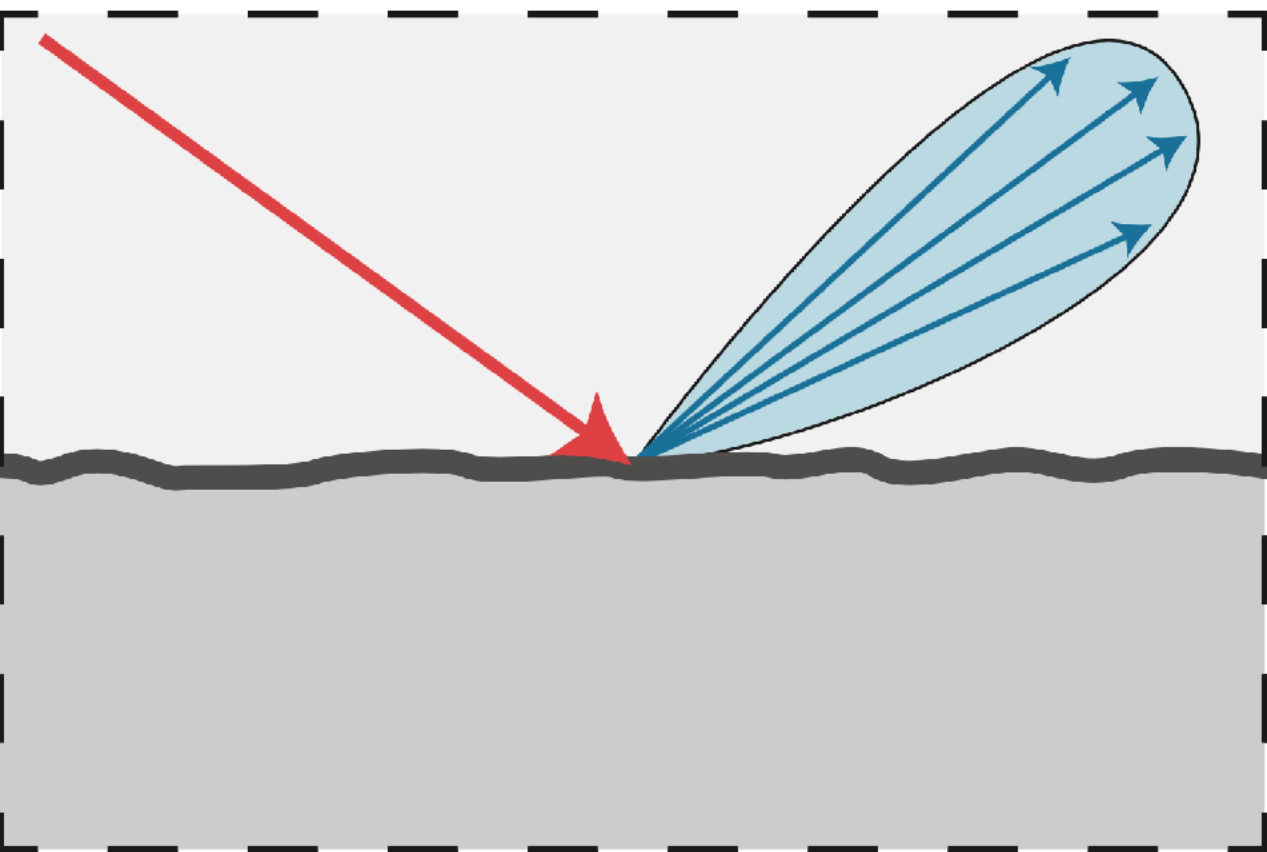
Given a point light source  $L_i$ , image intensity at pixel  $p$  can be then written as:

$$I(p) = A(p) \langle L_i, N(p) \rangle = A(p) L_i \cos \theta_i$$

Note:  $\theta$  is the angle between surface normal  $N(p)$  and incident lighting direction  $L_i$ .

# Glossy/Specular (Phong Reflectance Model)

$$f(p, w_i \rightarrow w_r) = \frac{a(p)}{\pi} + k_s \frac{\alpha + 2}{2\pi} \cos^\alpha \theta_i$$



$a(p)$  = albedo at pixel  $p$ .

$K_s$  = specular reflectivity, controls how specular the object is.

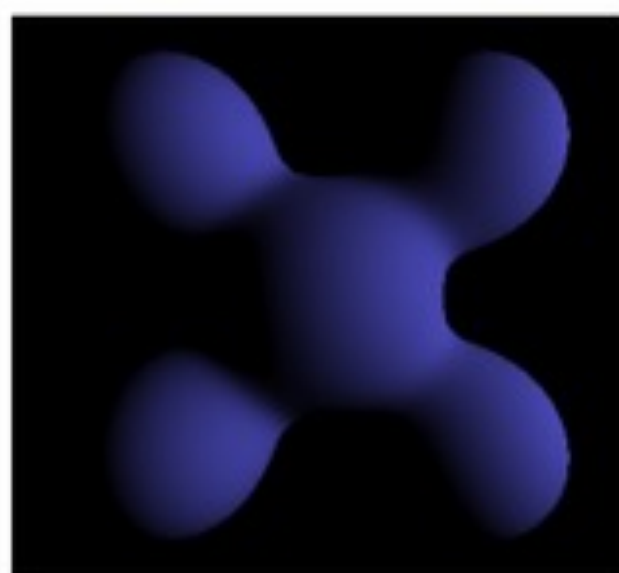
$\alpha$  = specular exponent, higher value indicates sharper reflections.

Usually specular reflectivity and exponent are pixel invariant, i.e. we assume that the BRDF is spatially in-variant!



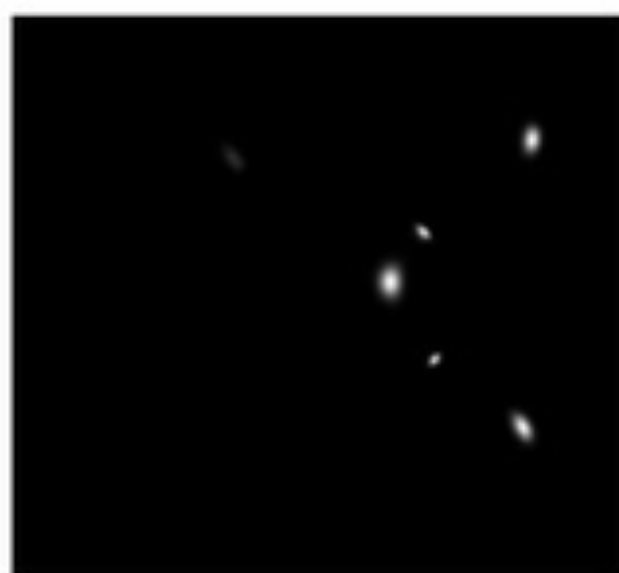
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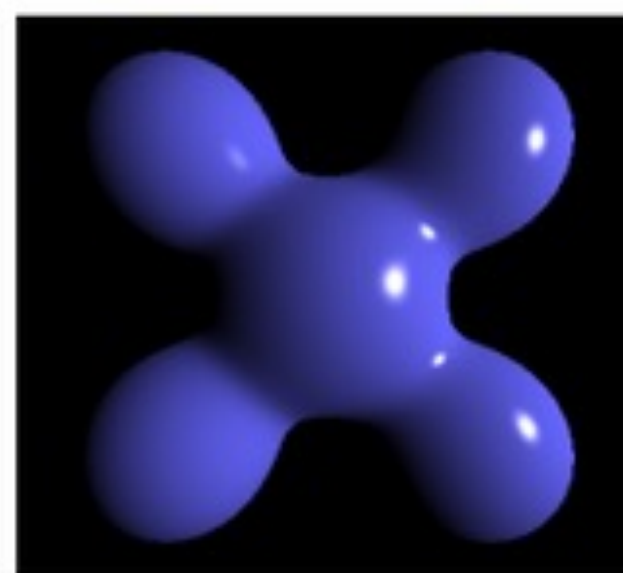
Diffuse

+

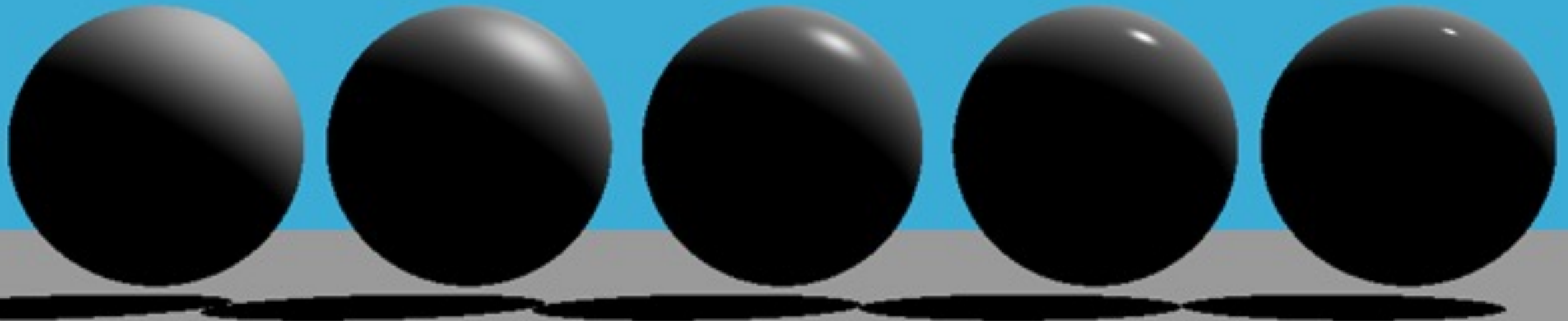


Specular

=



Phong Reflection



$n=2$

$n=10$

$n=50$

$n=250$

$n=1250$

$K_s=0.04$

$K_s=0.08$

$K_s=0.1$

$K_s=0.15$

$K_s=0.2$

$K_s$  = specular reflectivity, controls how specular the object is.

$\alpha$  (written as  $n$  in the picture) = specular exponent, higher value indicates sharper reflections.

# Microfacet Material Model

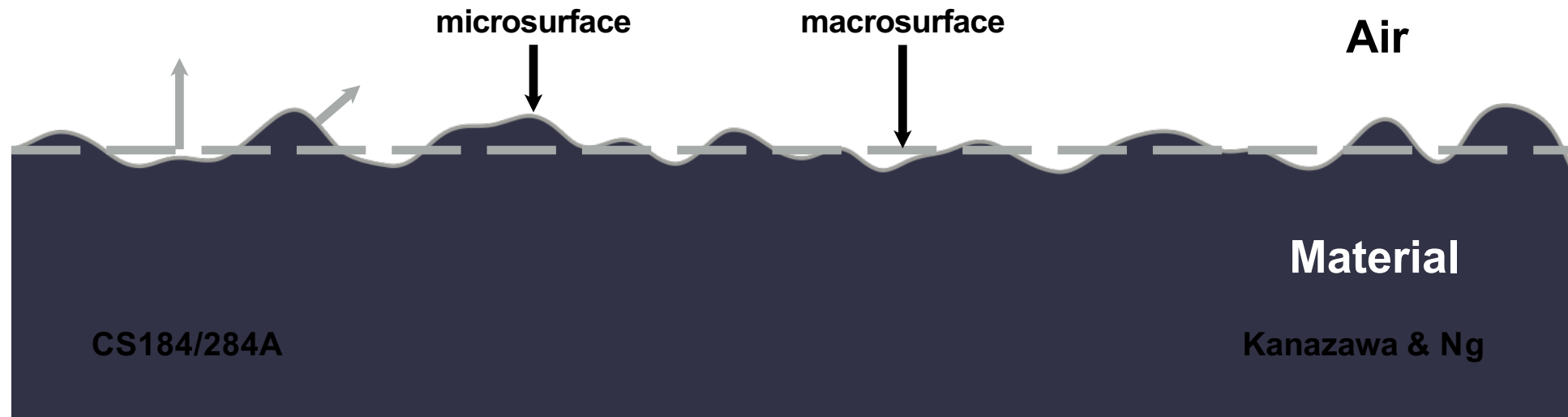
# Microfacet Theory

## Rough surface

- **Macroscale: flat & rough**
- **Microscale: bumpy & specular**

Individual elements of surface act like **mirrors**

- **Known as “microfacets”**
- **Each microfacet has its own normal vector (photometric normal)**

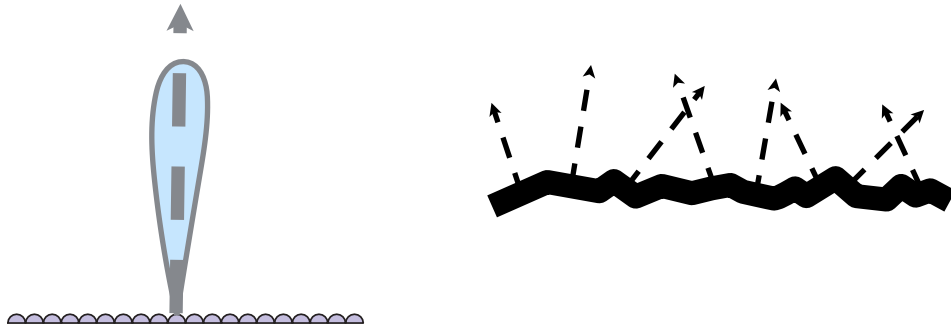




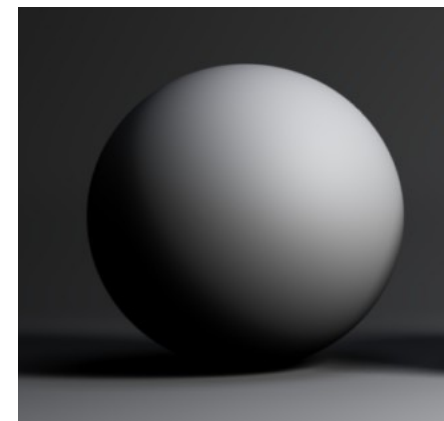
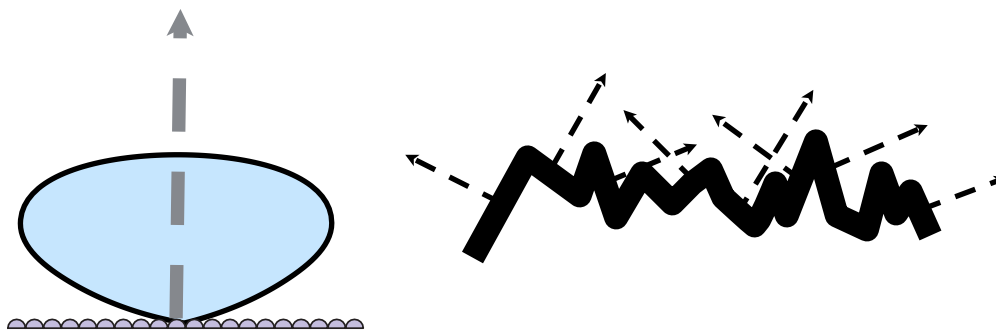
# Microfacet BRDF

- Key: the **distribution** of microfacets' normals

- Concentrated  $\Leftrightarrow$  glossy

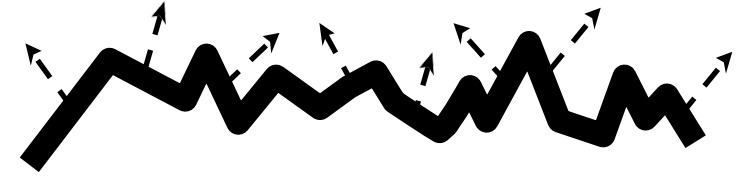
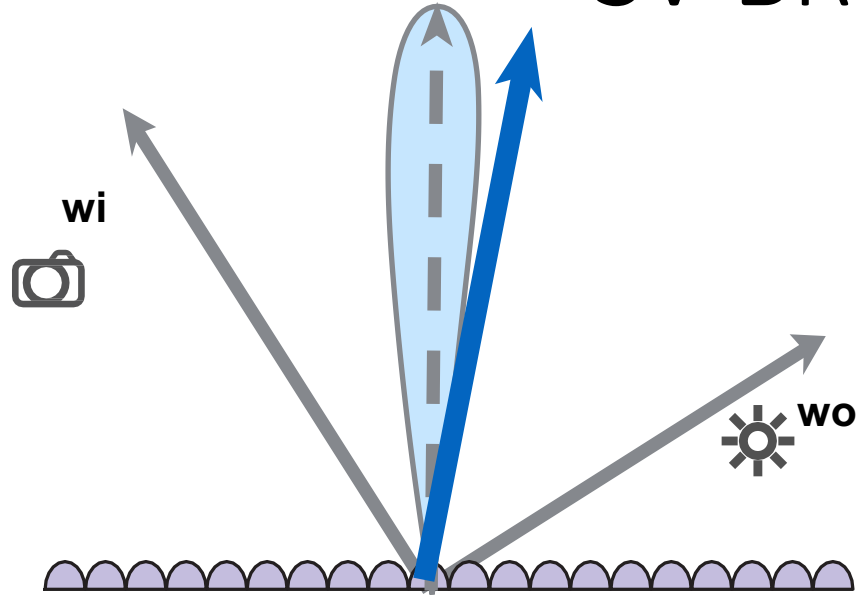


- Spread out  $\Leftrightarrow$  diffuse



# Microfacet BRDF

## SV-BRDF (Spatially Varying BRDF)



In practice we only have to define albedo per pixel  $A(p)$  and roughness  $R(p)$ , a total  $H \times W \times 4$ .

Fresnel  
term

masking  
term

Normal distribution function

$$f(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}) = \frac{\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{h}) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o}, \mathbf{h}) \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{h})}{4(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{i})(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{o})}$$

# Microfacet BRDF: Examples



[Autodesk Fusion 360]

CS184/284A

Kanazawa & Ng



Diffuse albedo

Normal

Roughness

Specular albedo

Geometry

Rendering

# Isotropic vs Anisotropic Reflection

- So far, Point light + Metal = Round / Elliptical highlight
- What can we see inside many metal elevators?



# Isotropic vs Anisotropic Reflection



**Isotropic**

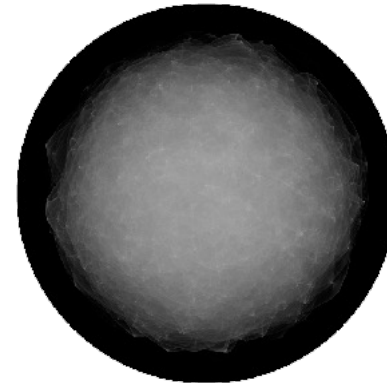
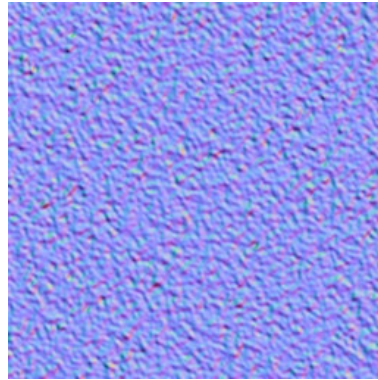


**Anisotropic**

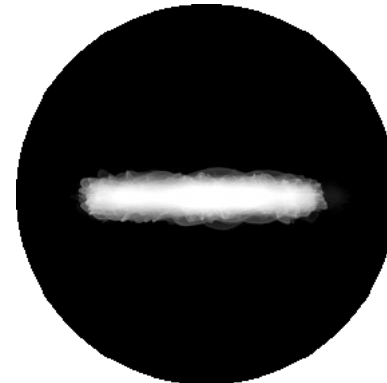
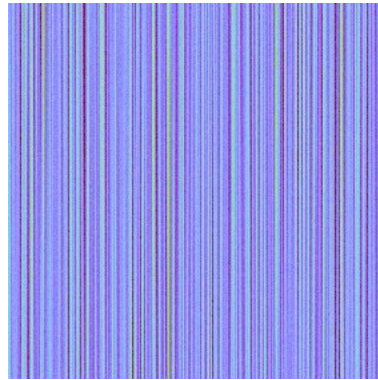
# Isotropic / Anisotropic Materials (BRDFs)

- Key: **directionality** of underlying surface

Isotropic



Anisotropic



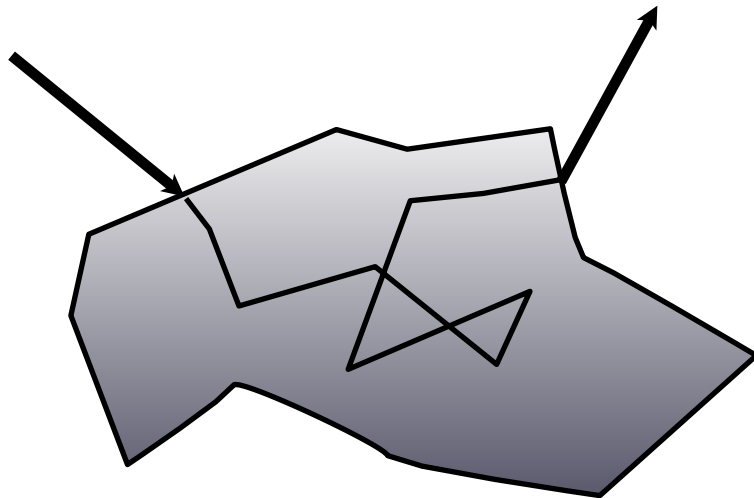
Surface (normals)

BRDF (fix  $w_i$ , vary  $w_o$ )

# Subsurface Scattering

Visual characteristics of many surfaces caused by light exiting at different points than it enters

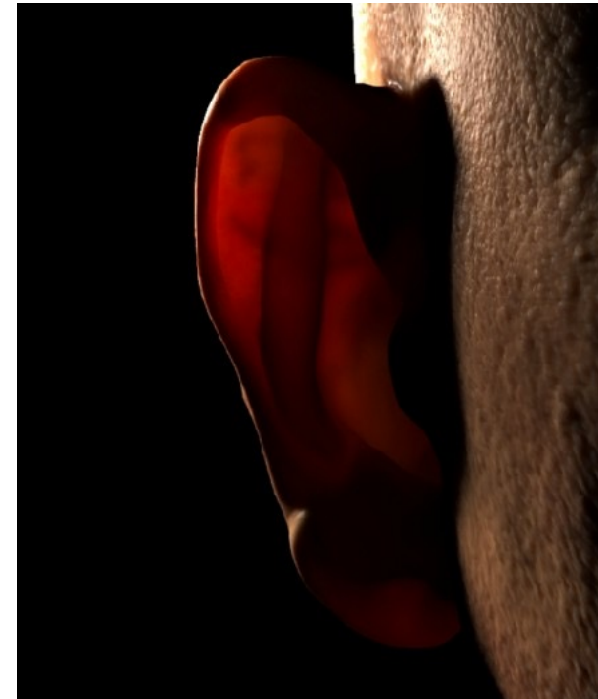
- Violates a fundamental assumption of the BRDF



- Different from transparent



[Jensen et al 2001]



[Donner et al 2008]



# BRDF vs BSSRDF (models sub-surface scattering)



BRDF



BSSRDF

[Jensen et al. 2001]

# BSSRDF: Application



[Artist: Teruyuki and Yuka]



[Artist: Hyun Kyung]



[Artist: Dan Roarty]

<https://cgelves.com/10-most-realistic-human-3d-models-that-will-wow-you/>

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**Feel free to share your questions...**

To be continued ...

# Anti Racist Computer Graphics

- by Theodore Kim, Yale Univ.

Computer Graphics has a race problem!



BRDF



BSSRDF

“Skin” = Subsurface Scattering

Figure 11: A **face** rendered using the BRDF model (top) and the BSSRDF model (bottom). We used our measured values for **skin** (*skin1*) and the same lighting conditions in both images (the BRDF

“Skin” = White Skin

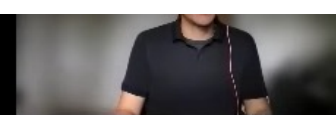
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Whiter skin has more subsurface scattering, leading to more smoothing effect.

Darker skin has more specular reflection and less subsurface scattering.



*Clockers*, (1995).





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*Clockers*, (1995).



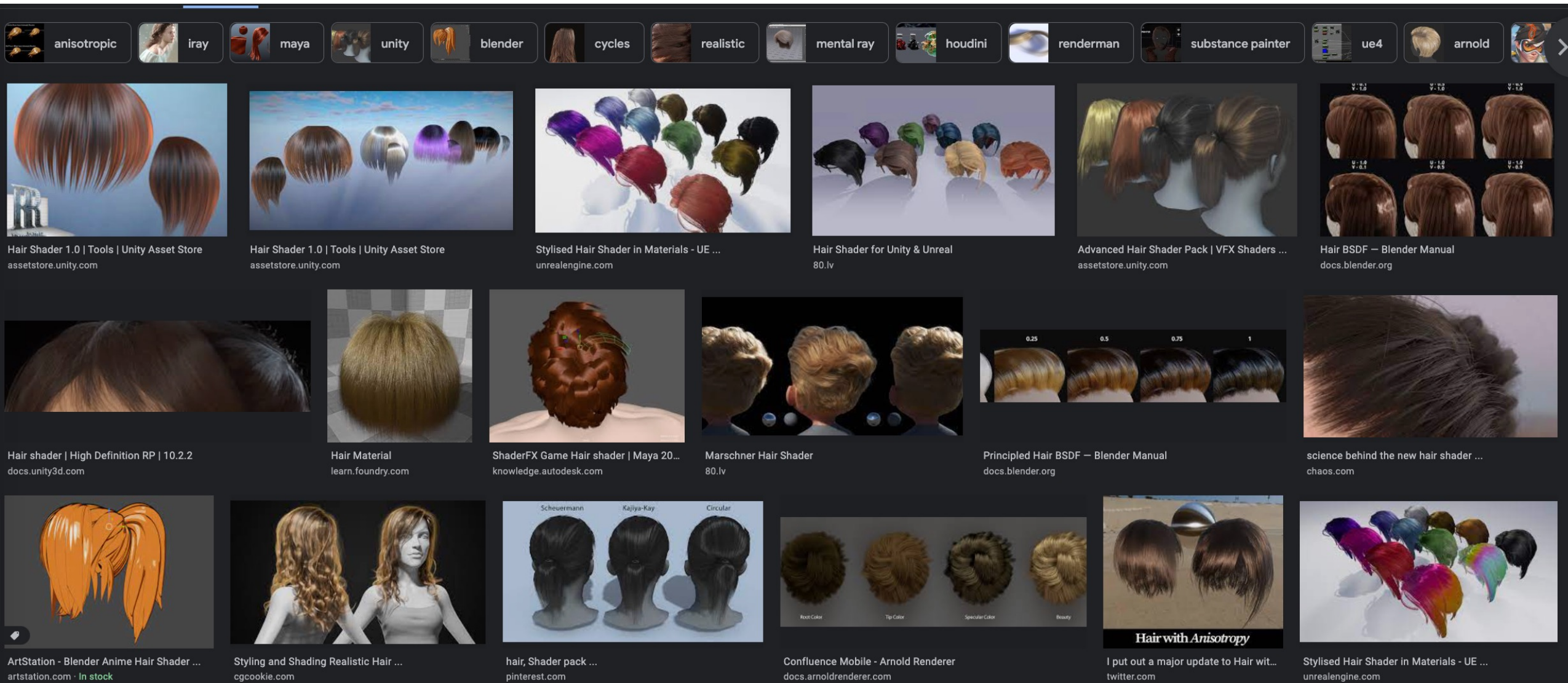
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*Black Panther*, (2018).

# Other racial bias in Computer Graphics?

- Hair = 'Straight hair'



# Camera color tone bias



# So what do we do now?

- Incentivize creating good dataset and benchmarks that is diverse and inclusive of all race, ethnicity, genders, disability status etc.
- Discourage working on research problems that are going to potentially cause harm to marginalized community, e.g. detecting sexual orientation from images.
- If working on specific subpopulation, make sure to clarify that in the paper, e.g. write 'whiter skin tone' instead of 'human skin tone'.