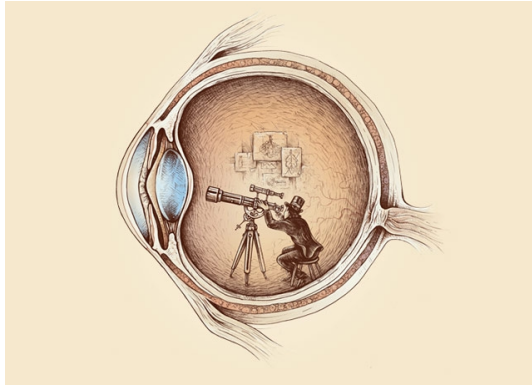




Computer Vision

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Cameras & Photogrammetry 2

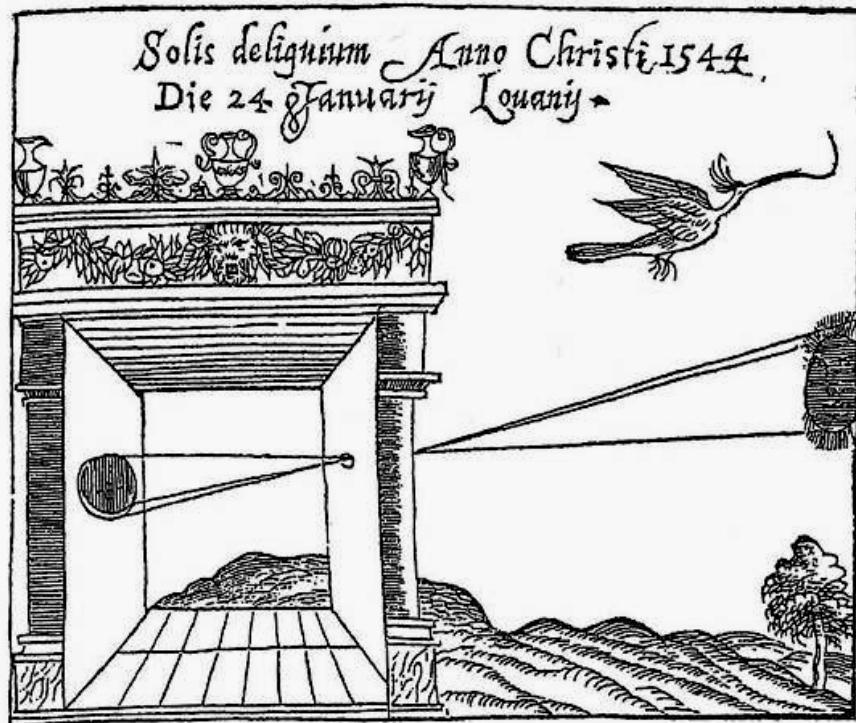
Prof. Alex Berg

(Slide credits to many folks on individual slides)

Cameras & Photogrammetry 2



Camera Obscura



Gemma Frisius, 1558

- Basic principle known to Mozi (470-390 BCE), Aristotle (384-322 BCE)
- Drawing aid for artists: described by Leonardo da Vinci (1452-1519)

Abelardo Morell



Camera Obscura Image of Manhattan
View Looking South in Large Room, 1996

After scouting rooms and reserving one for at least a day, Morell masks the windows except for the aperture. He controls three elements: the size of the hole, with a smaller one yielding a sharper but dimmer image; the length of the exposure, usually eight hours; and the distance from the hole to the surface on which the outside image falls and which he will photograph. He used 4 x 5 and 8 x 10 view cameras and lenses ranging from 75 to 150 mm.

After he's done inside, it gets harder. "I leave the room and I am constantly checking the weather, I'm hoping the maid reads my note not to come in, I'm worrying that the sun will hit the plastic masking and it will fall down, or that I didn't trigger the lens."

From *Grand Images Through a Tiny Opening*, **Photo District News**, February 2005

Accidental pinhole cameras

My hotel room,
contrast enhanced.



The view from my window

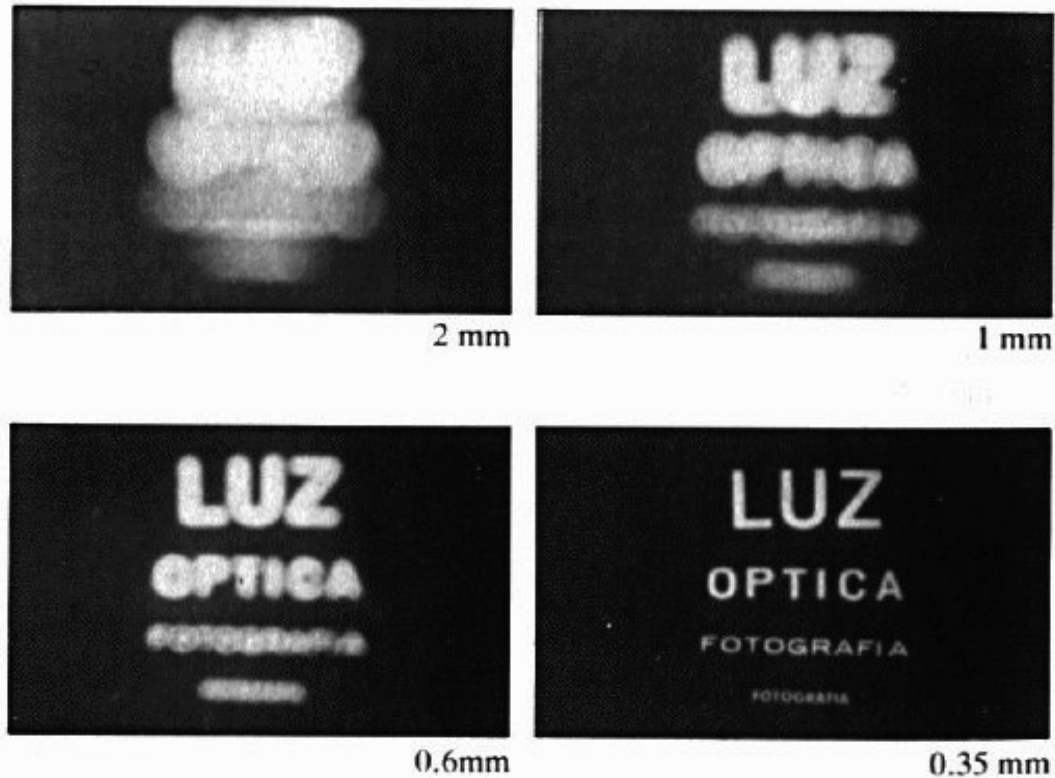


Accidental pinholes produce images that are
unnoticed or misinterpreted as shadows

Home-made pinhole camera



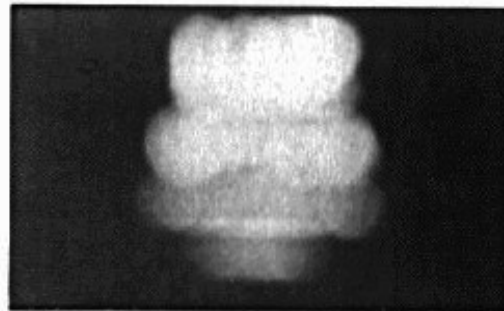
Shrinking the aperture



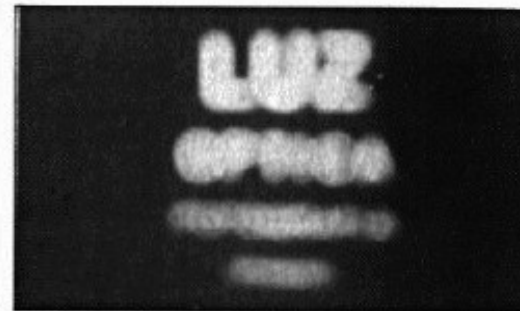
Why not make the aperture as small as possible?

- Less light gets through
- Diffraction effects...

Shrinking the aperture



2 mm



1 mm



0.6mm



0.35 mm

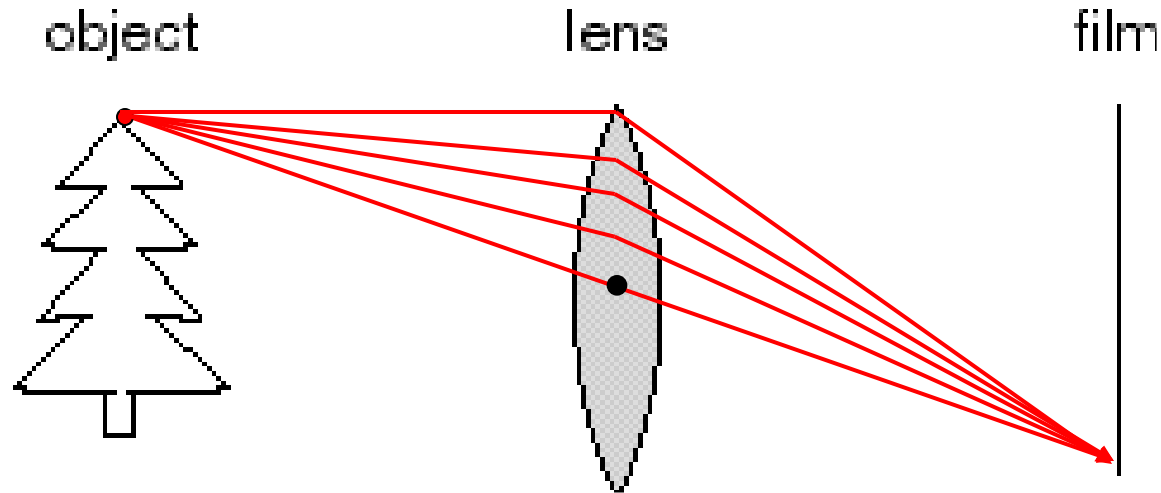


0.15 mm



0.07 mm

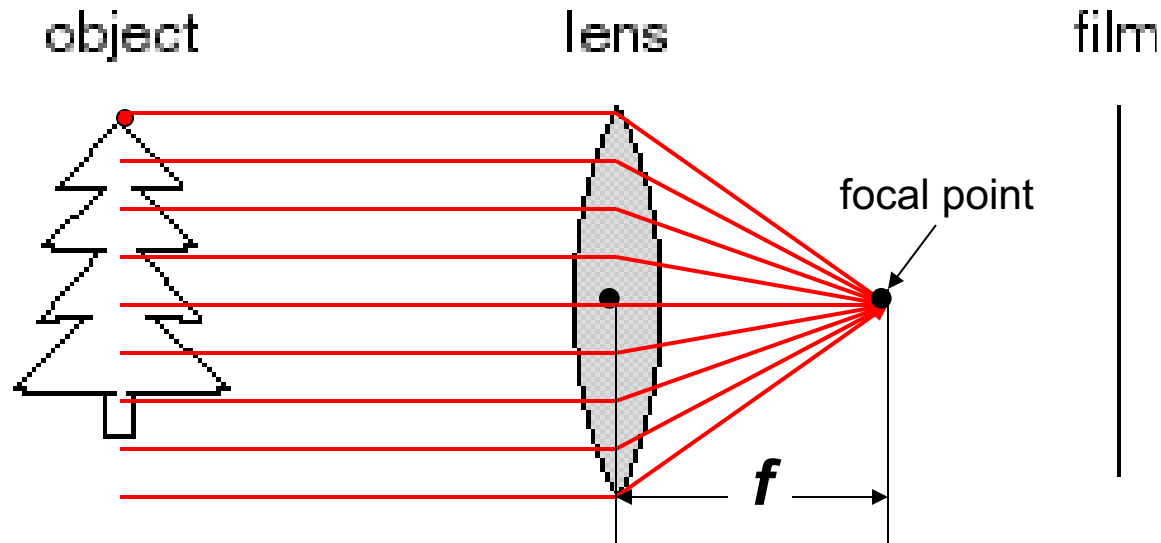
Adding a lens



A lens focuses light onto the film

- Thin lens model:
 - Rays passing through the center are not deviated (pinhole projection model still holds)

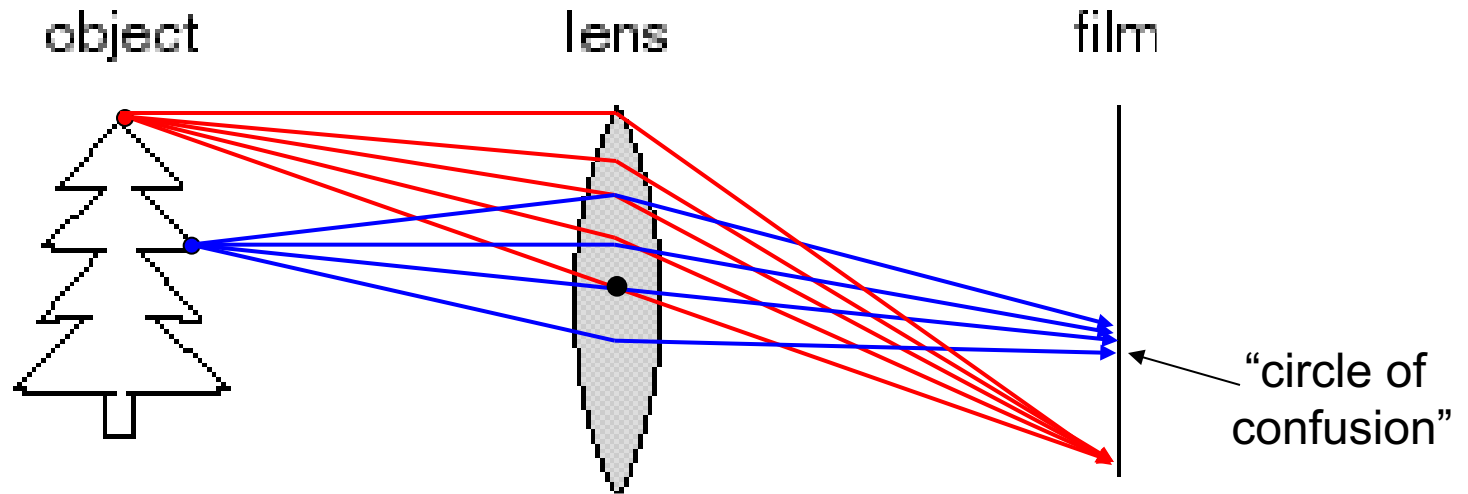
Adding a lens



A lens focuses light onto the film

- Thin lens model:
 - Rays passing through the center are not deviated (pinhole projection model still holds)
 - All parallel rays converge to one point on a plane located at the *focal length* f

Adding a lens

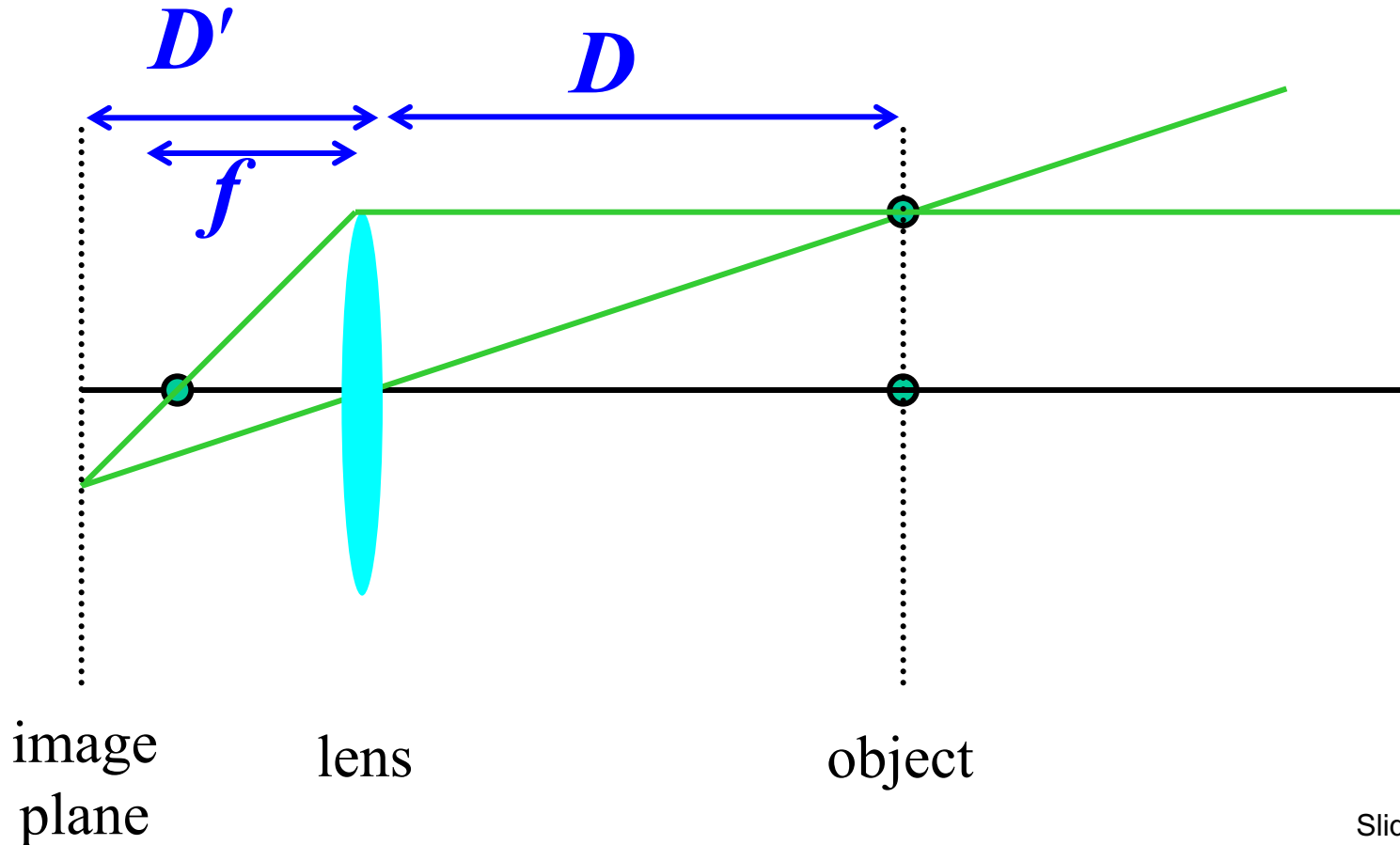


A lens focuses light onto the film

- There is a specific distance at which objects are “in focus”
 - other points project to a “circle of confusion” in the image

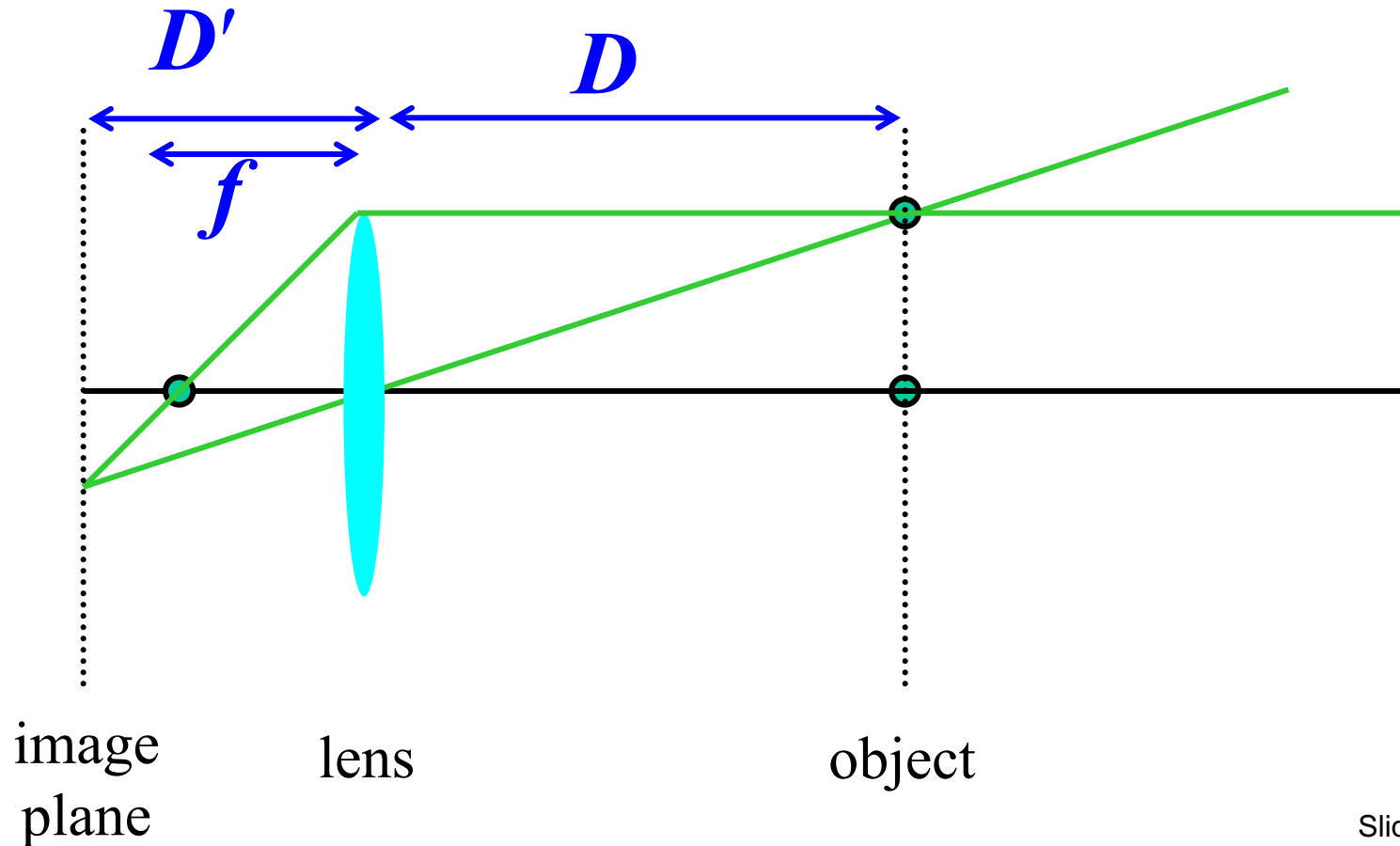
Thin lens formula

- What is the relation between the focal length (f), the distance of the object from the optical center (D), and the distance at which the object will be in focus (D')?



Thin lens formula

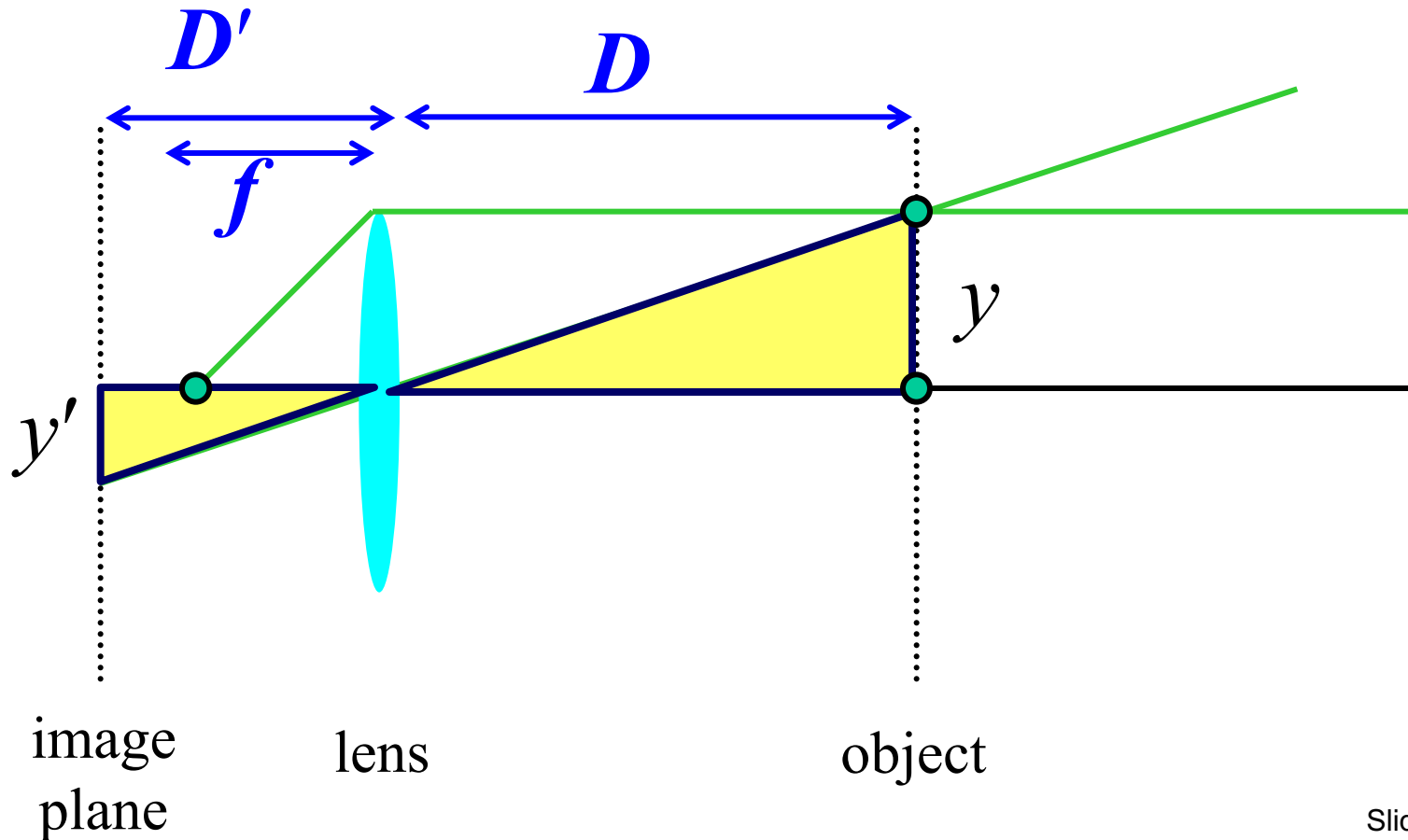
Similar triangles everywhere!



Thin lens formula

Similar triangles everywhere!

$$y'/y = D'/D$$

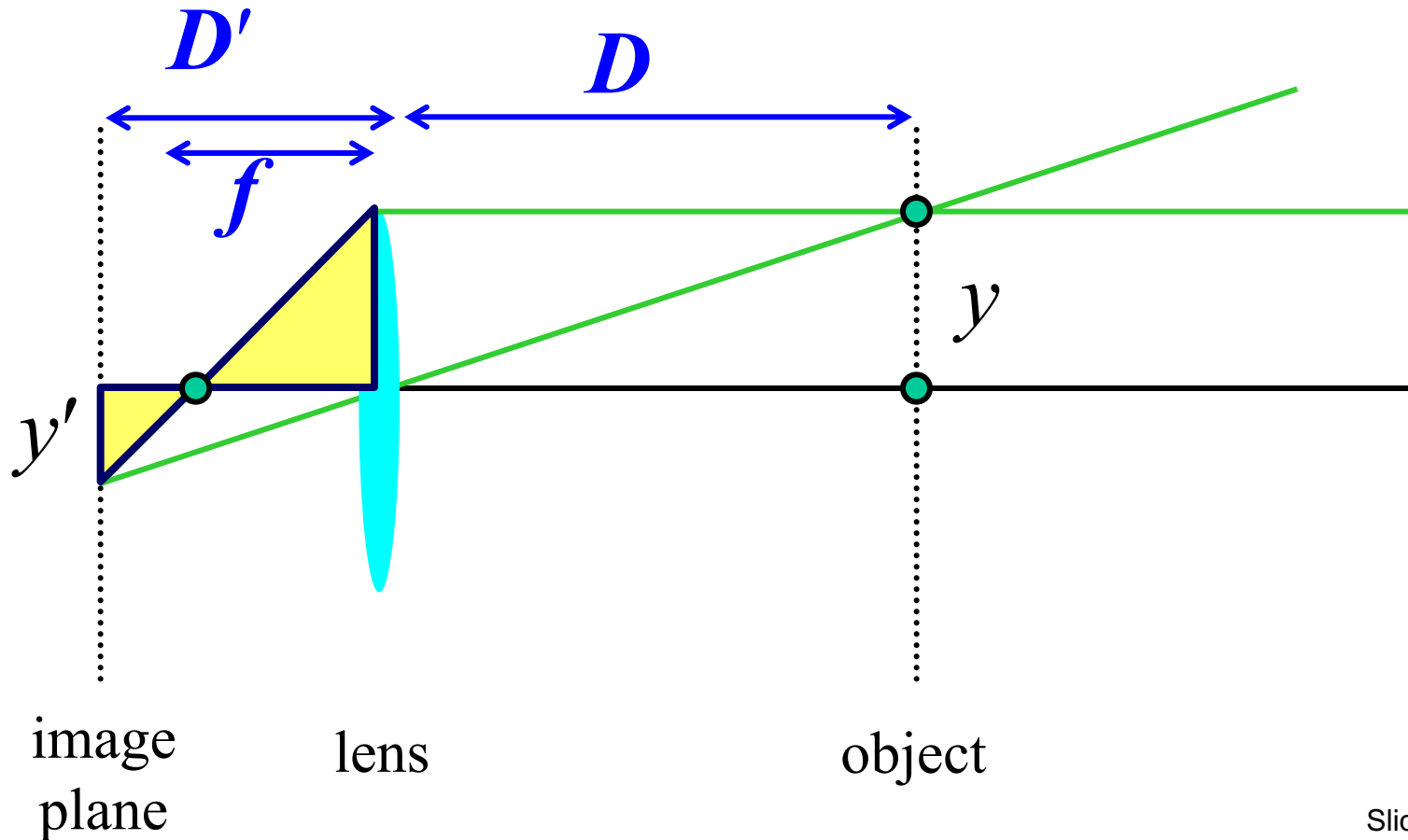


Thin lens formula

Similar triangles everywhere!

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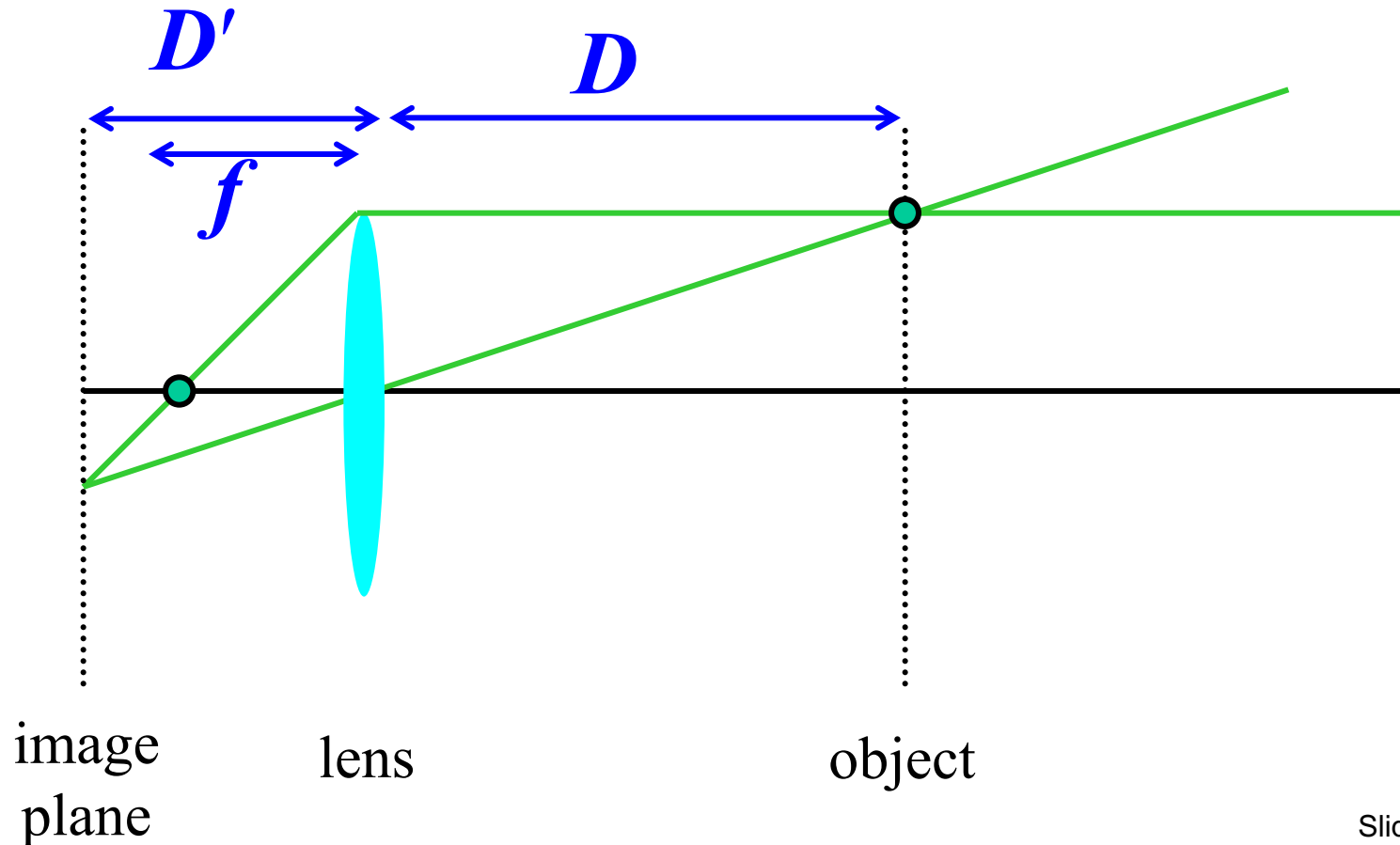
$$y'/y = (D' - f)/f$$



Thin lens formula

$$\frac{1}{D'} + \frac{1}{D} = \frac{1}{f}$$

Any point satisfying the thin lens equation is in focus.

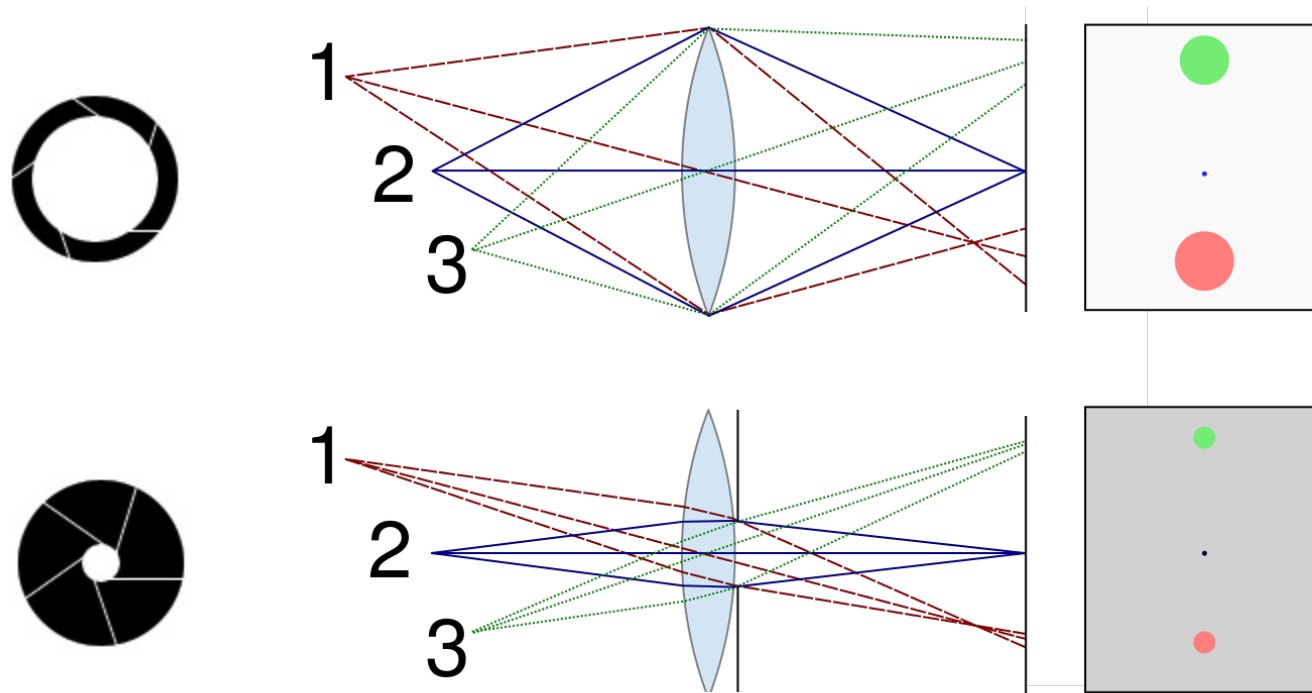


Depth of Field



<http://www.cambridgeincolour.com/tutorials/depth-of-field.htm>

Controlling depth of field



Changing the aperture size affects depth of field

- A smaller aperture increases the range in which the object is approximately in focus
- But small aperture reduces amount of light – need to increase exposure

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Depth_of_field_illustration.svg

Varying the aperture

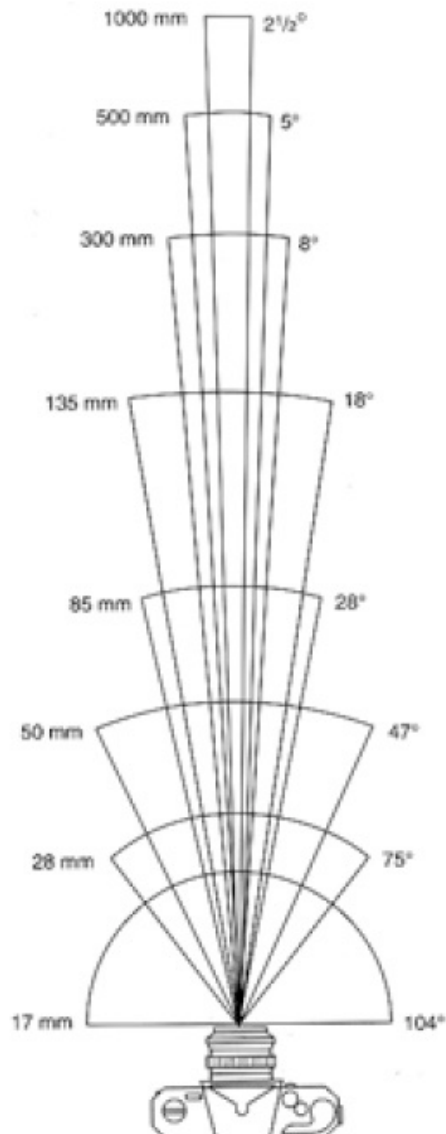


Large aperture = small DOF



Small aperture = large DOF

Field of View



17mm



28mm

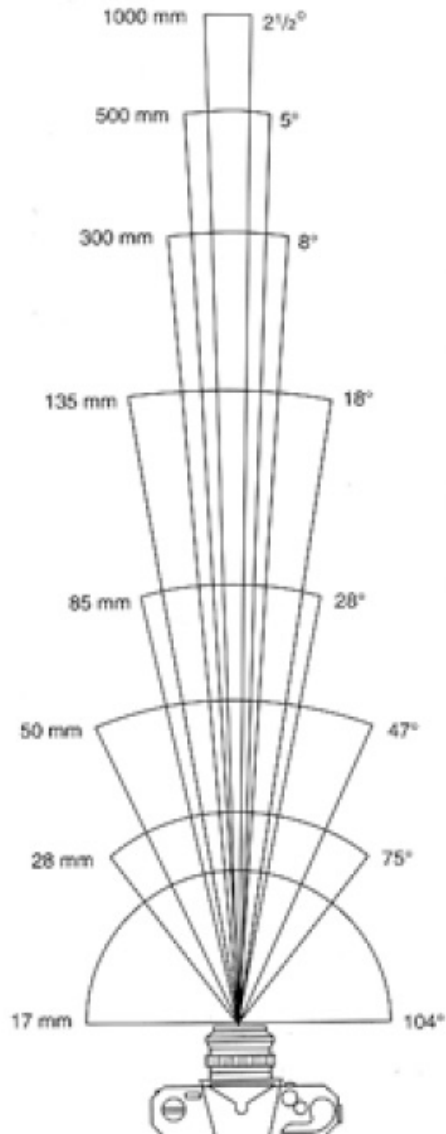


50mm

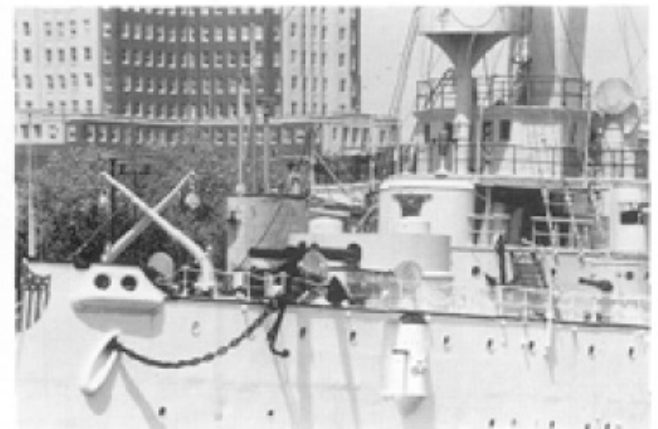


85mm

Field of View



135mm



300mm

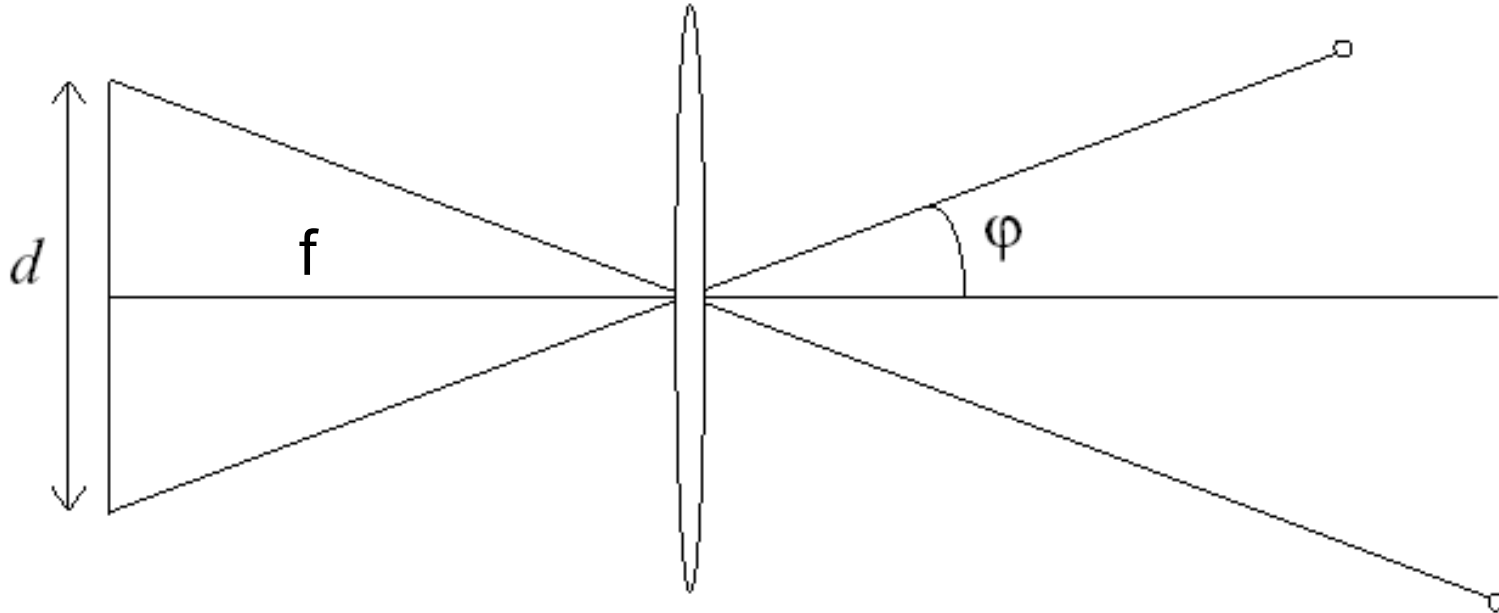


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28mm

Field of View

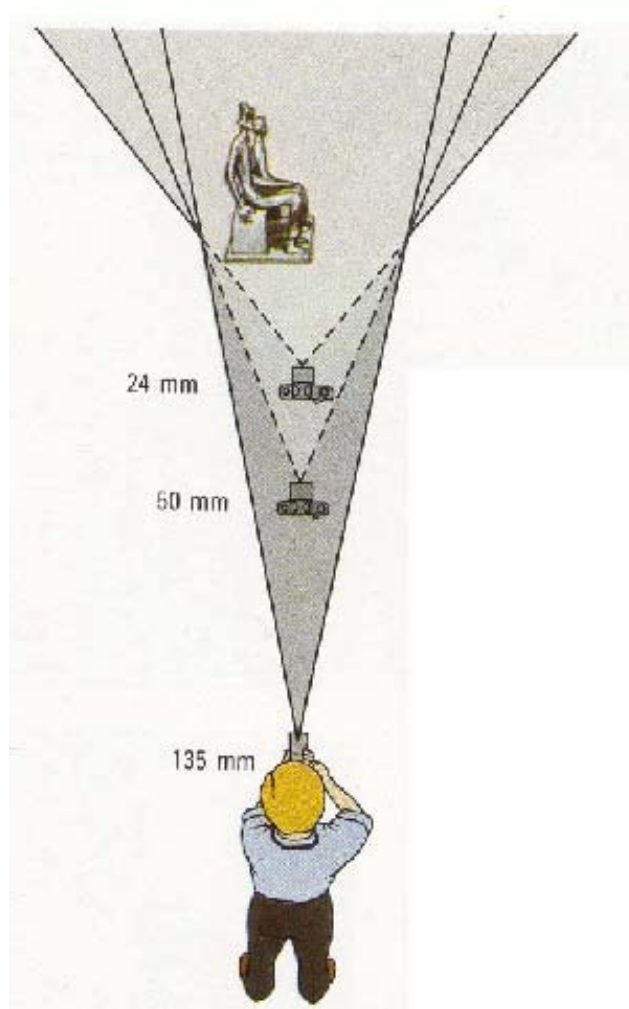


FOV depends on focal length and size of the camera retina

$$\varphi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{d}{2f}\right)$$

Larger focal length = smaller FOV

Field of View / Focal Length



Large FOV, small f
Camera close to car



Small FOV, large f
Camera far from the car

Same effect for faces



wide-angle

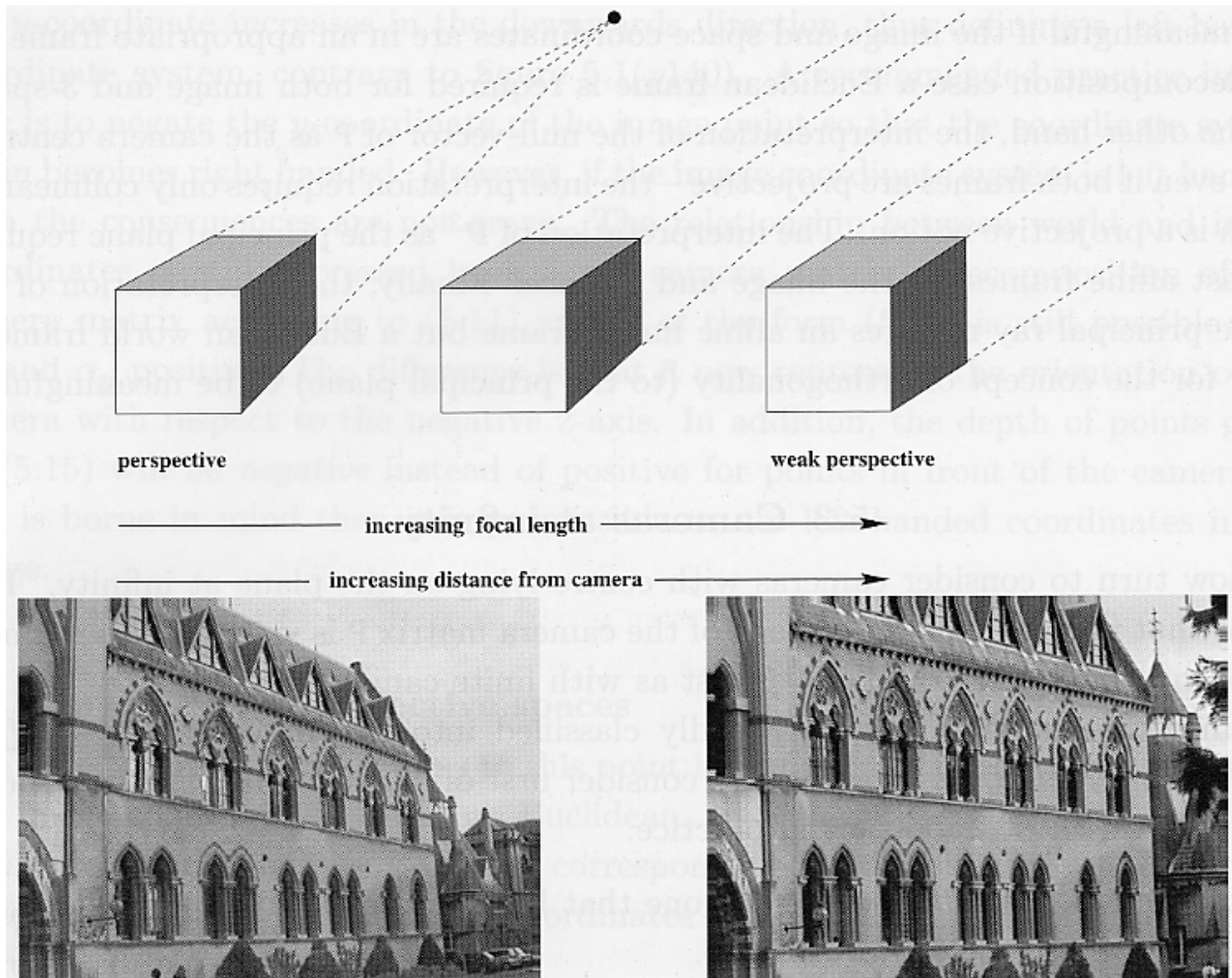


standard



telephoto

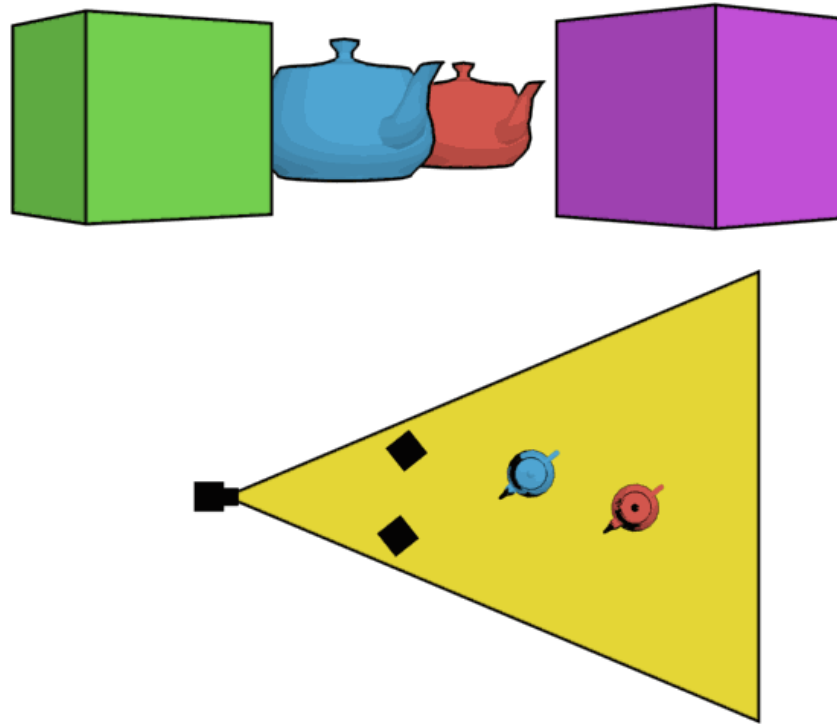
Approximating an orthographic camera



Source: Hartley & Zisserman

The dolly zoom

- Continuously adjusting the focal length while the camera moves away from (or towards) the subject



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dolly_zoom

The dolly zoom

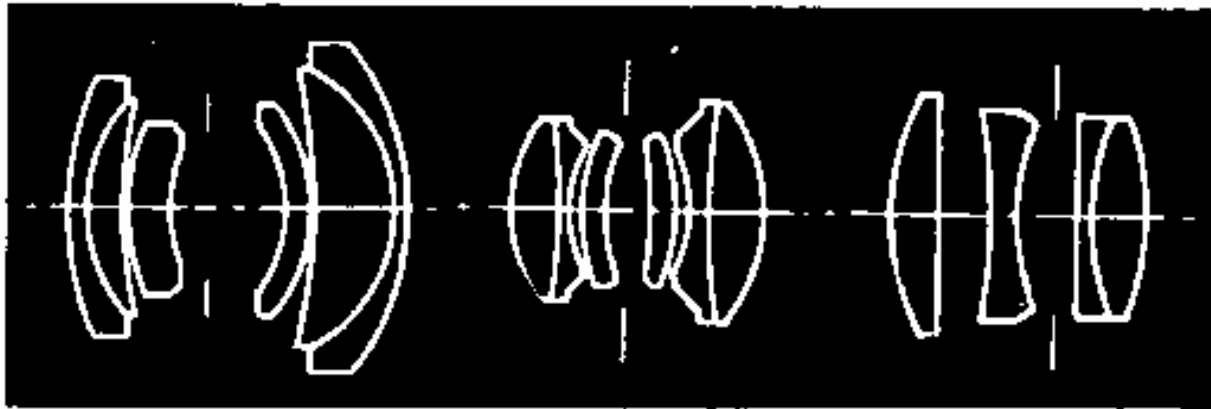
- Continuously adjusting the focal length while the camera moves away from (or towards) the subject
- “The Vertigo shot”



[Example of dolly zoom from *Goodfellas* \(YouTube\)](#)

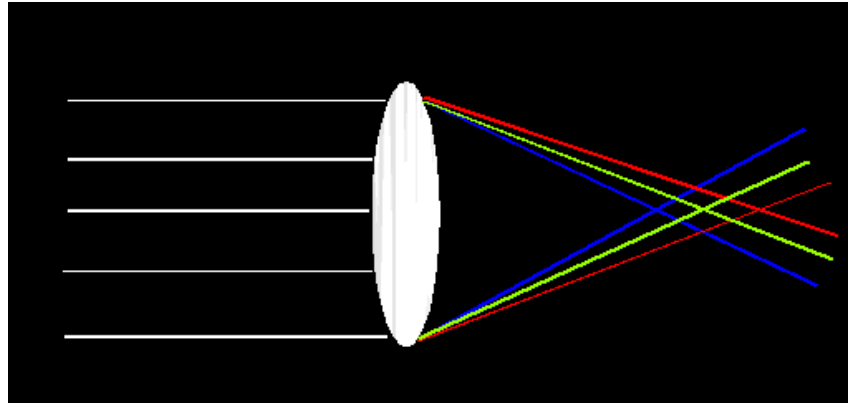
[Example of dolly zoom from *La Haine* \(YouTube\)](#)

Real lenses



Lens Flaws: Chromatic Aberration

Lens has different refractive indices for different wavelengths: causes color fringing



Near Lens Center



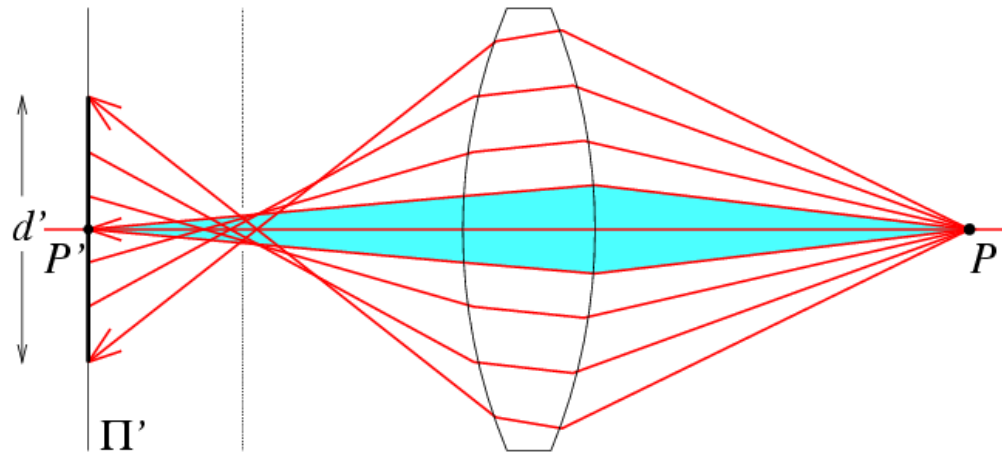
Near Lens Outer Edge



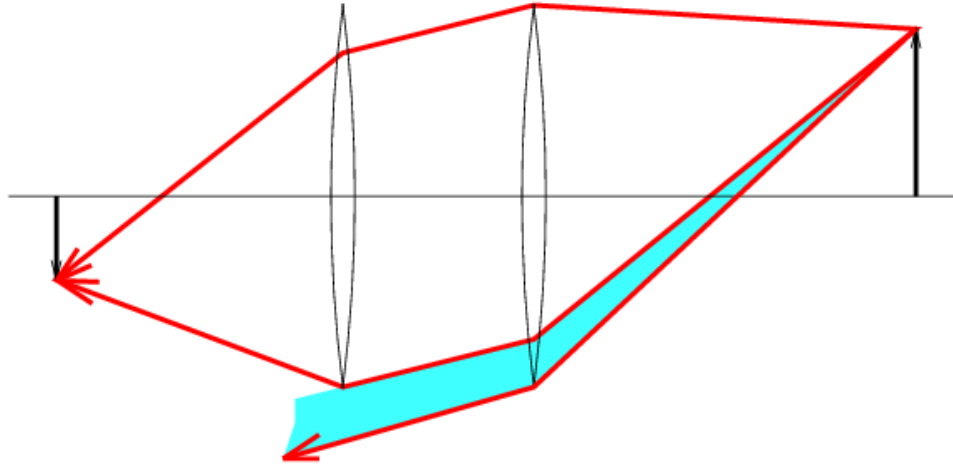
Lens flaws: Spherical aberration

Spherical lenses don't focus light perfectly

Rays farther from the optical axis focus closer

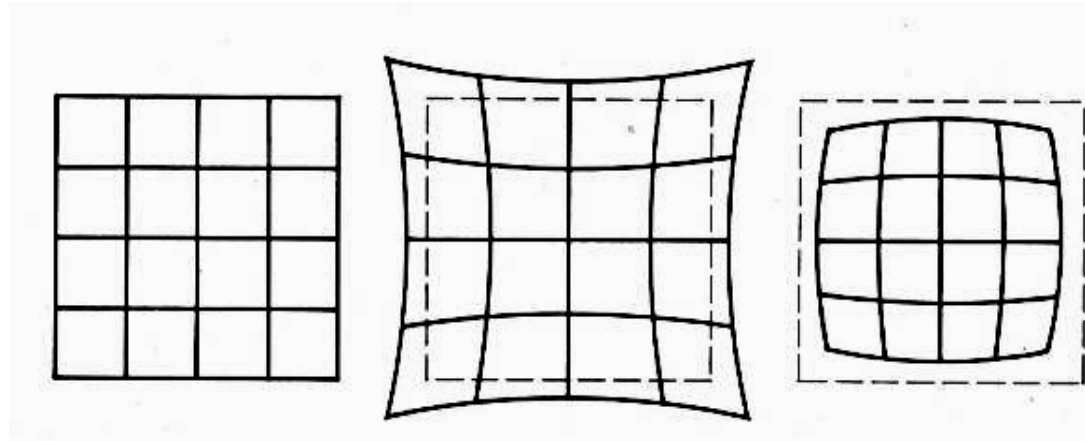


Lens flaws: Vignetting



Radial Distortion

- Caused by imperfect lenses
- Deviations are most noticeable near the edge of the lens



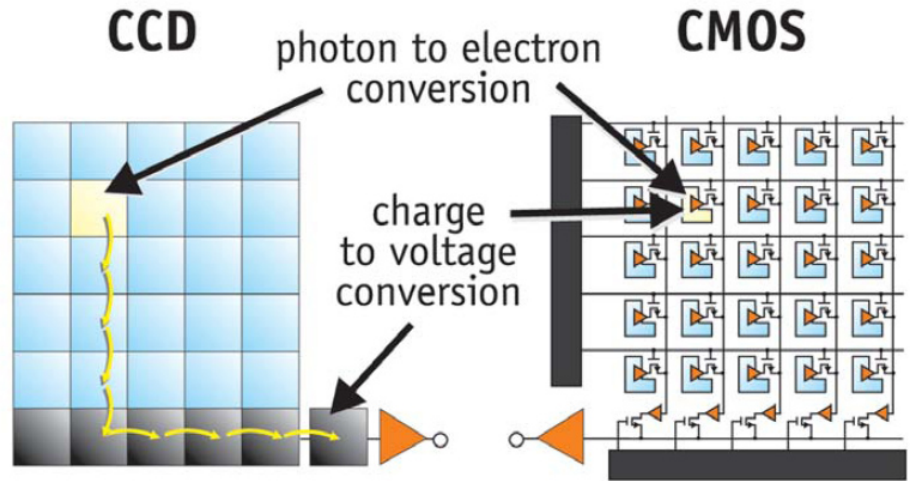
No distortion

Pin cushion

Barrel



Digital camera



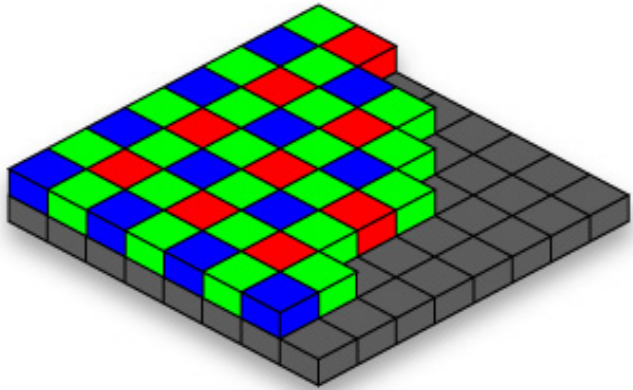
CCDs move photogenerated charge from pixel to pixel and convert it to voltage at an output node. CMOS imagers convert charge to voltage inside each pixel.

A digital camera replaces film with a sensor array

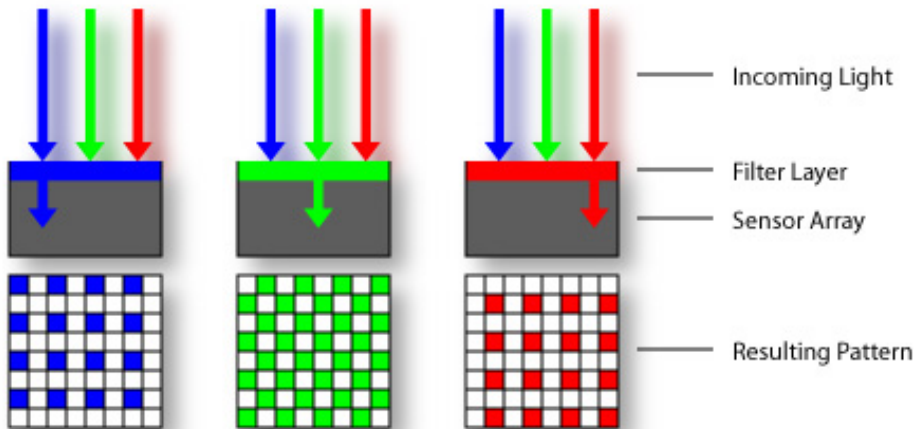
- Each cell in the array is light-sensitive diode that converts photons to electrons
- Two common types
 - **Charge Coupled Device** (CCD)
 - **Complementary metal oxide semiconductor** (CMOS)
- <http://electronics.howstuffworks.com/digital-camera.htm>

Color sensing in camera: Color filter array

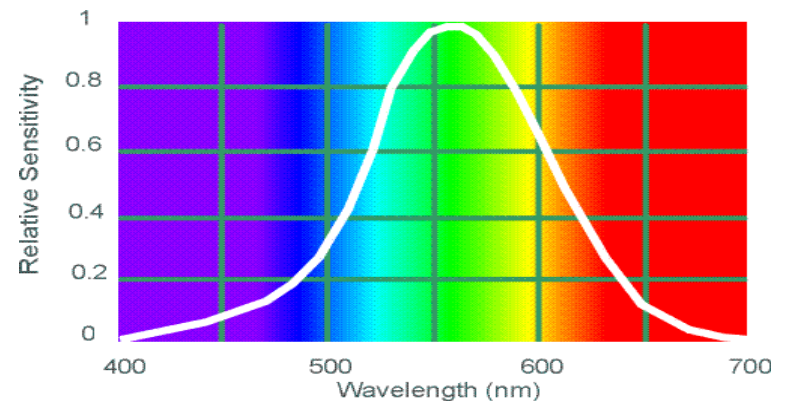
Bayer grid



Estimate missing components from neighboring values (demosaicing)



Why more green?

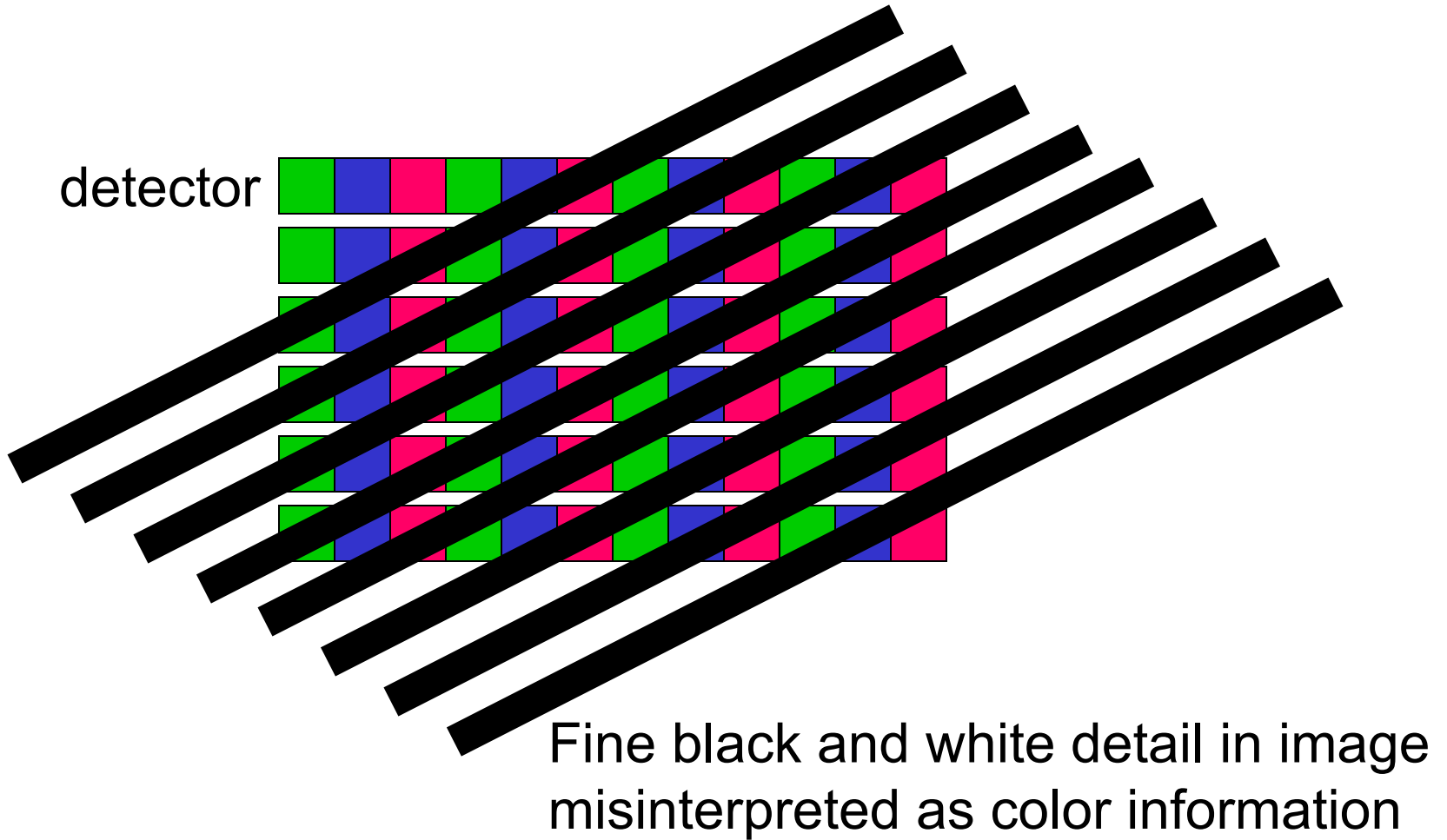


Human Luminance Sensitivity Function

Problem with demosaicing: color moire



The cause of color moire



Digital camera artifacts

Noise

- low light is where you most notice [noise](#)
- light sensitivity (ISO) / noise tradeoff
- stuck pixels



In-camera processing

- oversharpening can produce [halos](#)



Compression

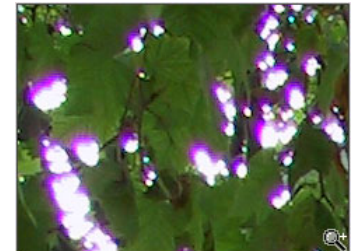
- JPEG artifacts, blocking

Blooming

- charge [overflowing](#) into neighboring pixels

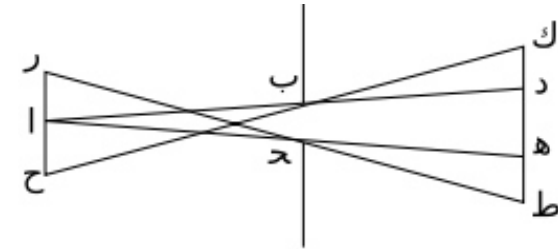
Color artifacts

- [purple fringing](#) from microlenses,
- white balance

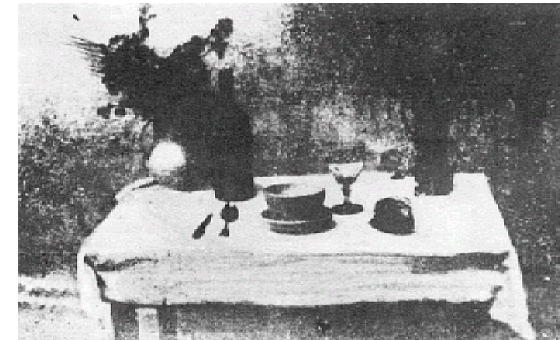


Historic milestones

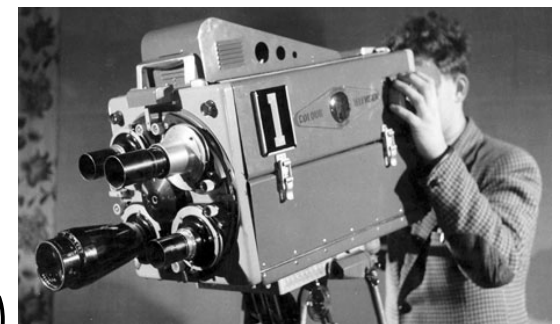
- **Pinhole model:** Mozi (470-390 BCE), Aristotle (384-322 BCE)
- **Principles of optics (including lenses):** Alhacen (965-1039 CE)
- **Camera obscura:** Leonardo da Vinci (1452-1519), Johann Zahn (1631-1707)
- **First photo:** Joseph Nicéphore Niépce (1822)
- **Daguerreotypes** (1839)
- **Photographic film** (Eastman, 1889)
- **Cinema** (Lumière Brothers, 1895)
- **Color Photography** (Lumière Brothers, 1908)
- **Television** (Baird, Farnsworth, Zworykin, 1920s)
- **First consumer camera with CCD**
Sony Mavica (1981)
- **First fully digital camera:** Kodak DCS100 (1990)



Alhacen's notes



Niepce, "La Table Servie," 1822

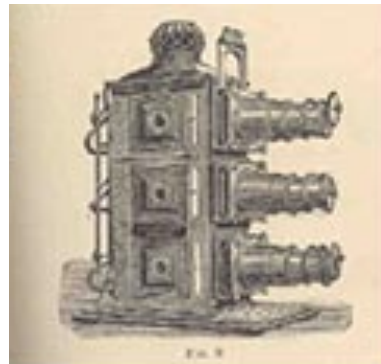


Old television camera

Early color photography

Sergey Prokudin-Gorskii (1863-1944)

Photographs of the Russian empire (1909-1916)



Lantern
projector



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sergei_Mikhailovich_Prokudin-Gorskii

<http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/empire/>

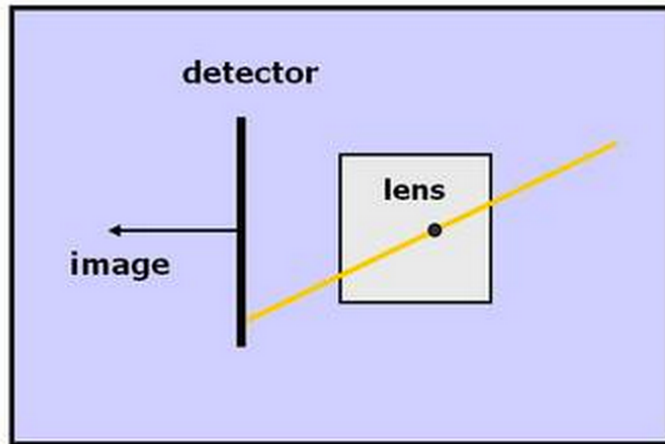
First digitally scanned photograph

- 1957, 176x176 pixels

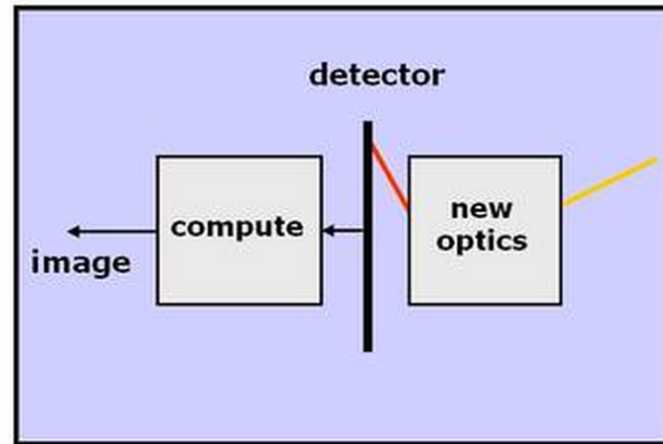


<http://listverse.com/history/top-10-incredible-early-firsts-in-photography/>

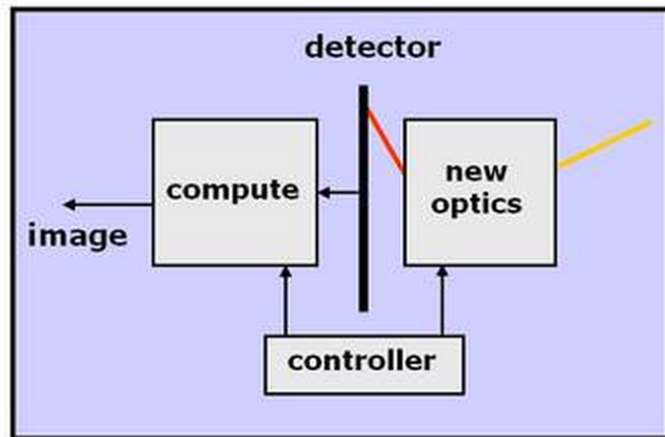
Computational Cameras



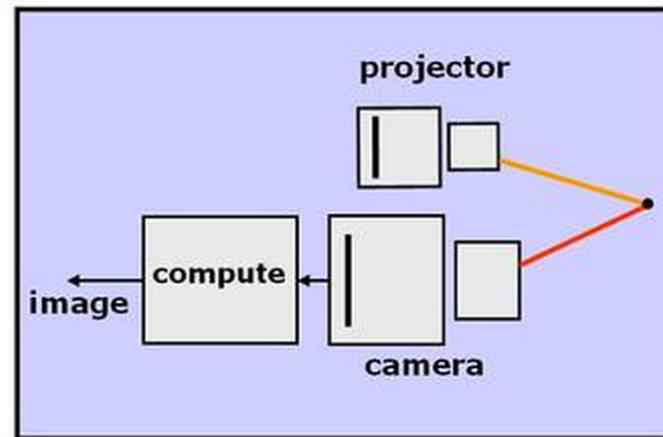
(a) Traditional Camera



(b) Computational Camera

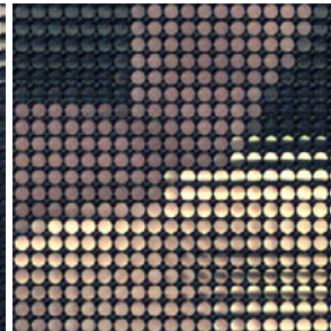
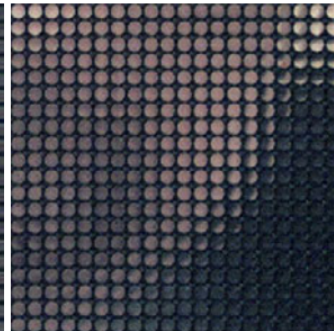
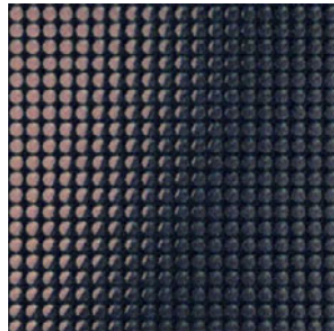
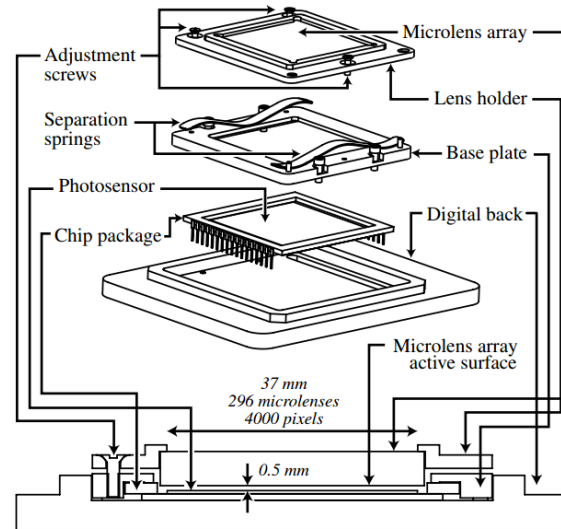


(c) Programmable Imaging



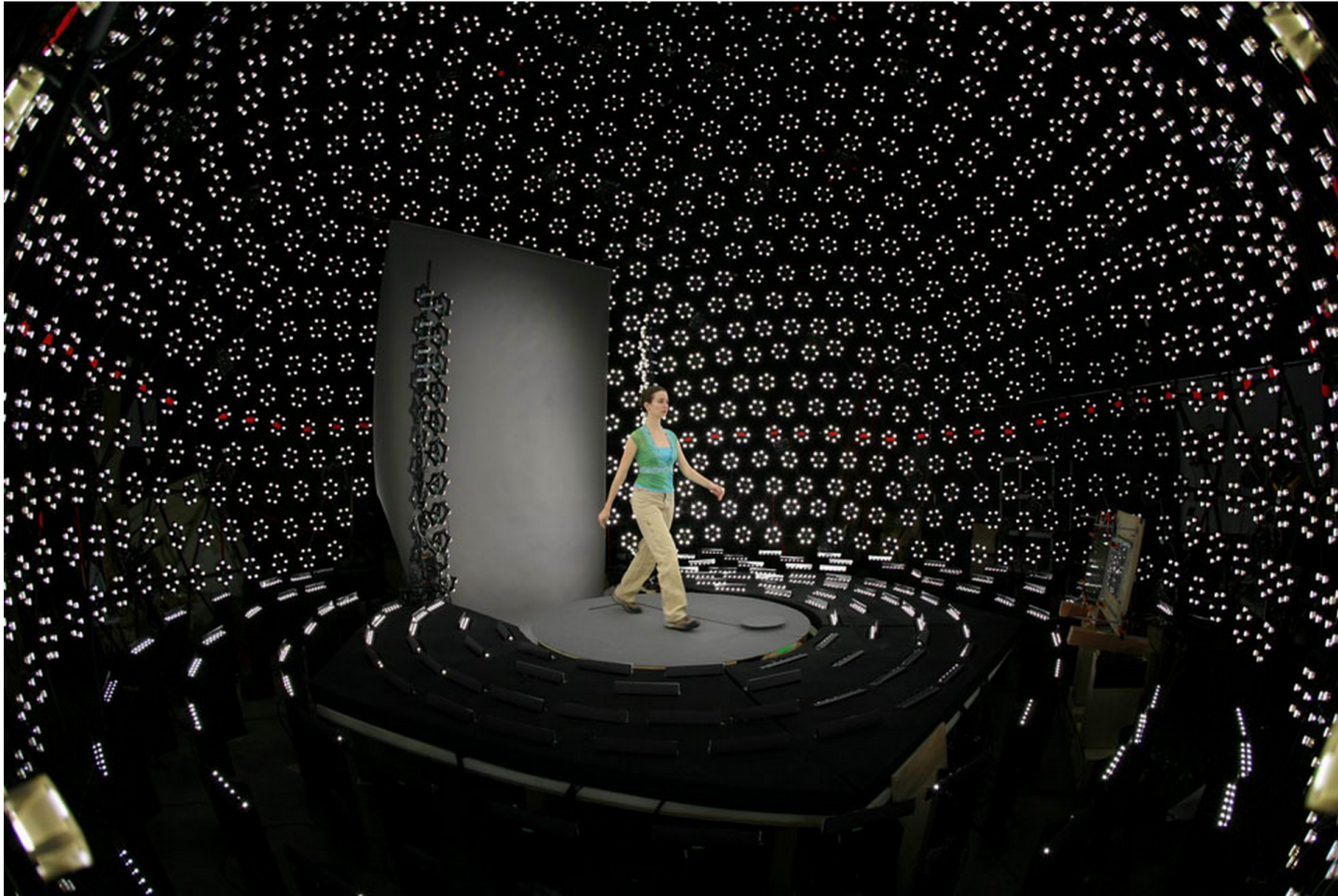
(d) Programmable Flash

Hand held light field camera



Ren Ng et al 2005 (pics from Stanford Tech Report)

Light Stage 6 – sample over time, lighting, viewing, motion



inside Light Stage 6

Paul Debevec's group at USC-ICT
<http://ict.usc.edu/prototypes/light-stages/>

More reading & thought problems

<http://gl.ict.usc.edu/LightStages/> light stages over time

http://www1.cs.columbia.edu/CAVE/projects/what_is/
background on computational cameras

What is the problem for specular (shiny) surfaces (say specularities or caustics) and light field photography?