



Photography Wishlist

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Camera Culture

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Early digital cameras: Kodak DCS 400 series electronics on Nikon SLR body.

See http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kodak_DCS_400_series

Film-like
Digital Photography

Shadow

Refractive

Reflective

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See Fig. 1, “Eight major types of optics in animal eyes.”

In Fernald, R. D. “Casting a Genetic Light on the Evolution of Eyes.”

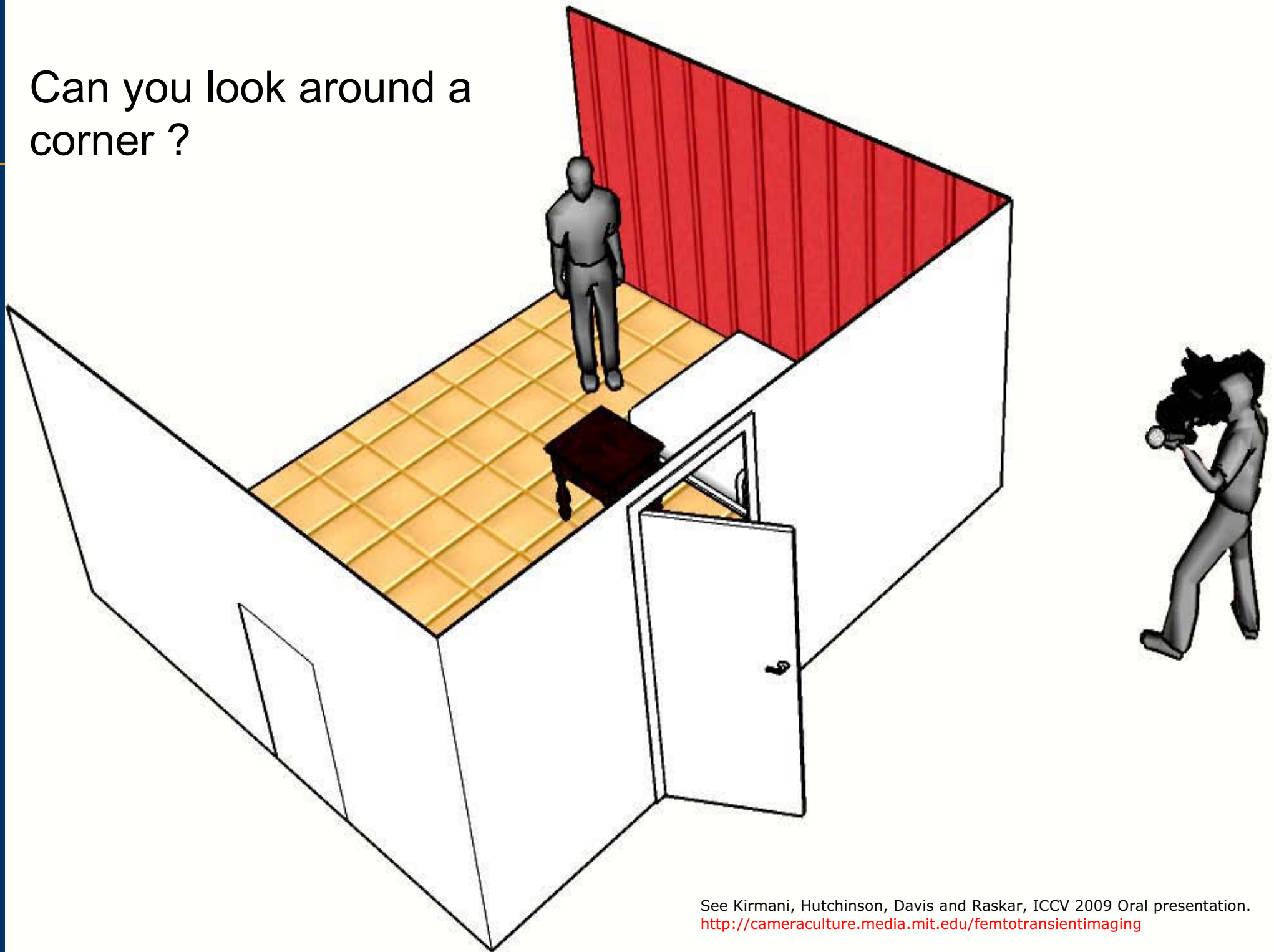
Science 313, no. 5795 (29 September 2006): 1914-1918.

Wish List Today

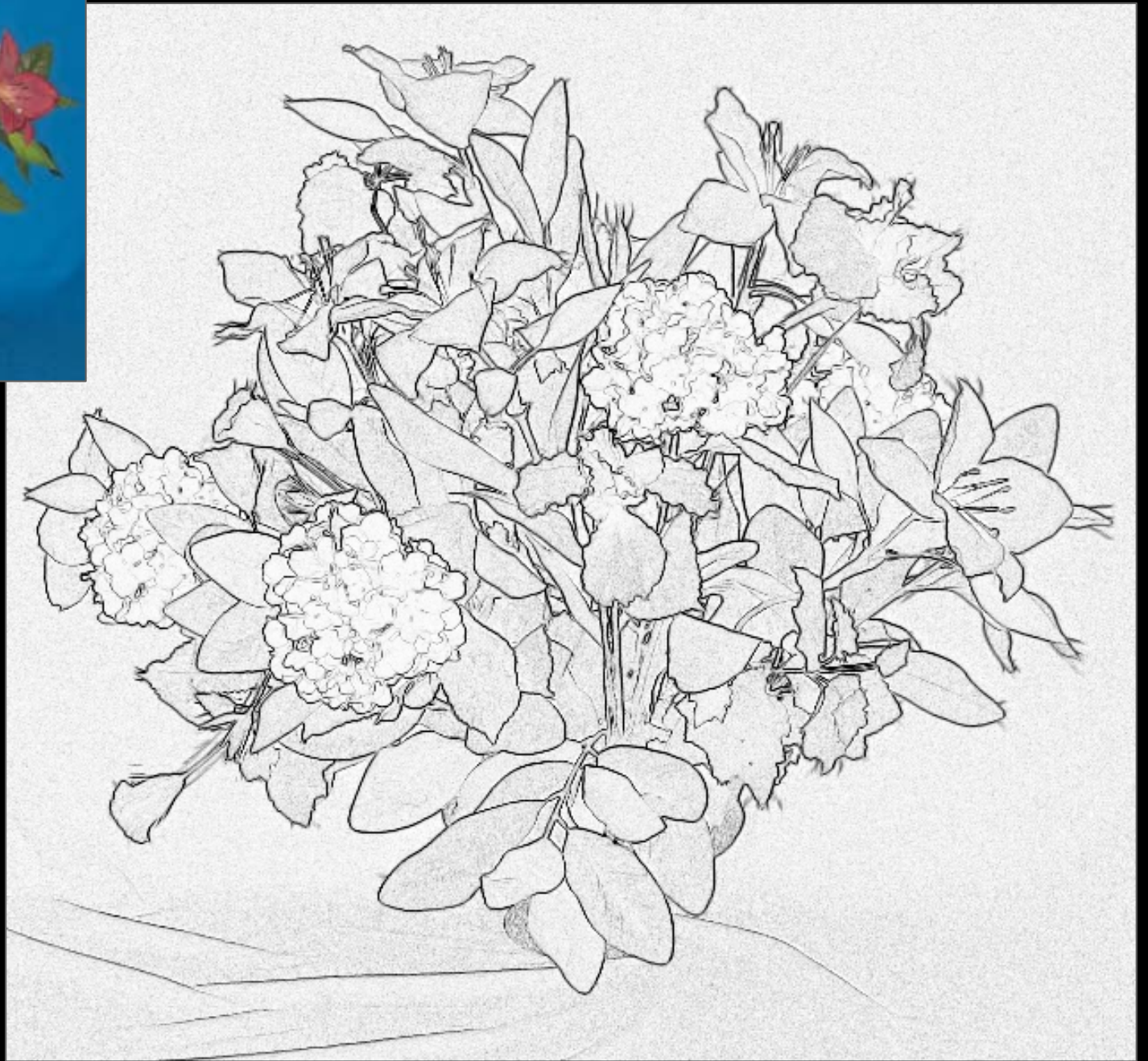
- Consumers
 - Super-human vision
 - Microscope like resolution
 - High speed
 - See inside the body (health)
 - Auto-trigger
 - Keep only 'good' pics
 - Find 'relevant' pics and better archiving/access

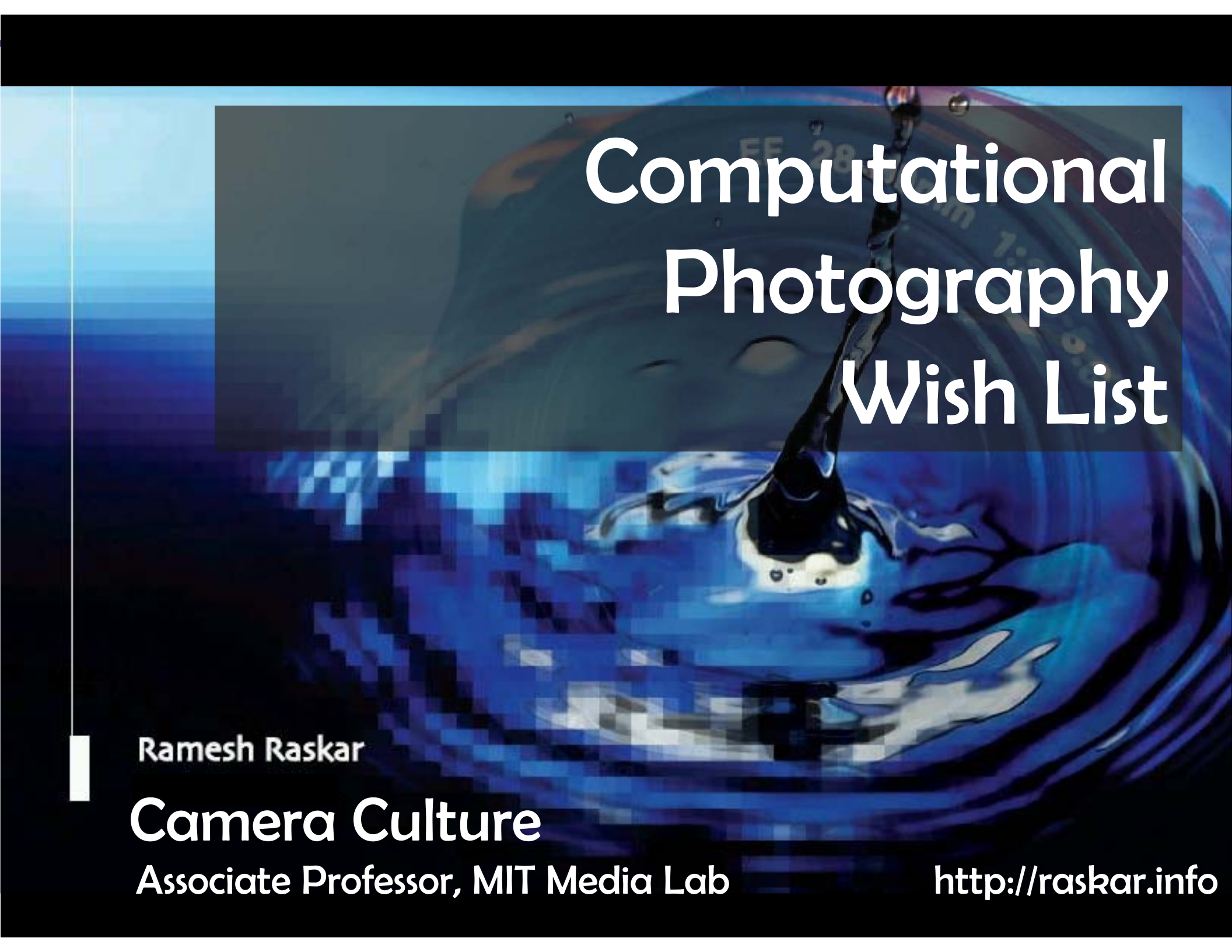
 - Put photographer back in photo!
- Companies
 - Cost
 - Resolution
 - Low-light sensitivity, HDR
 - Stereo and 3D
 - Mecha-free zoom/focus
 - Auto-tagging for sharing
 - Recognition

Can you look around a corner ?



See Kirmani, Hutchinson, Davis and Raskar, ICCV 2009 Oral presentation.
<http://cameraculture.media.mit.edu/femtotransientimaging>





Computational Photography Wish List

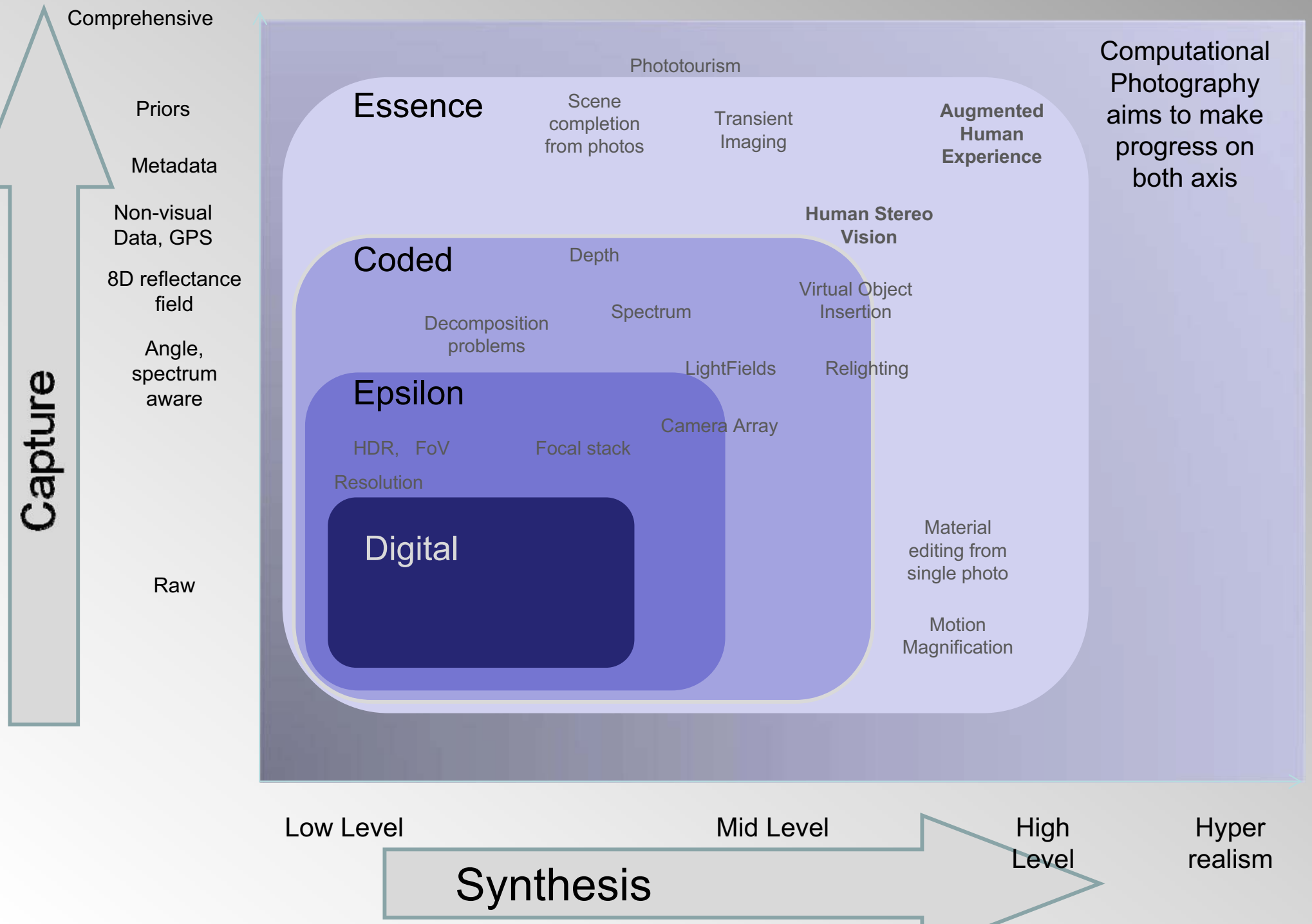
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Computational Photography

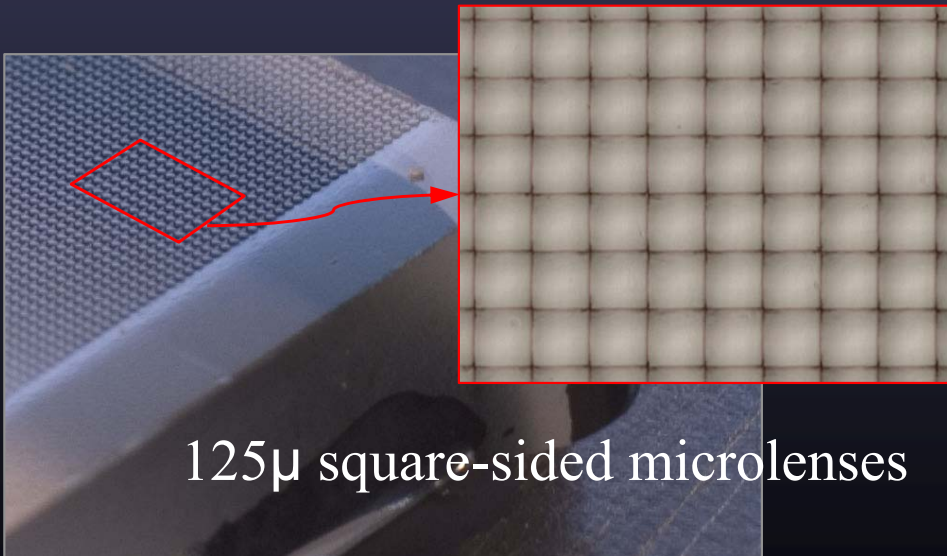




Wish #1

Ultimate Post-capture Control

Digital Refocusing using Light Field Camera

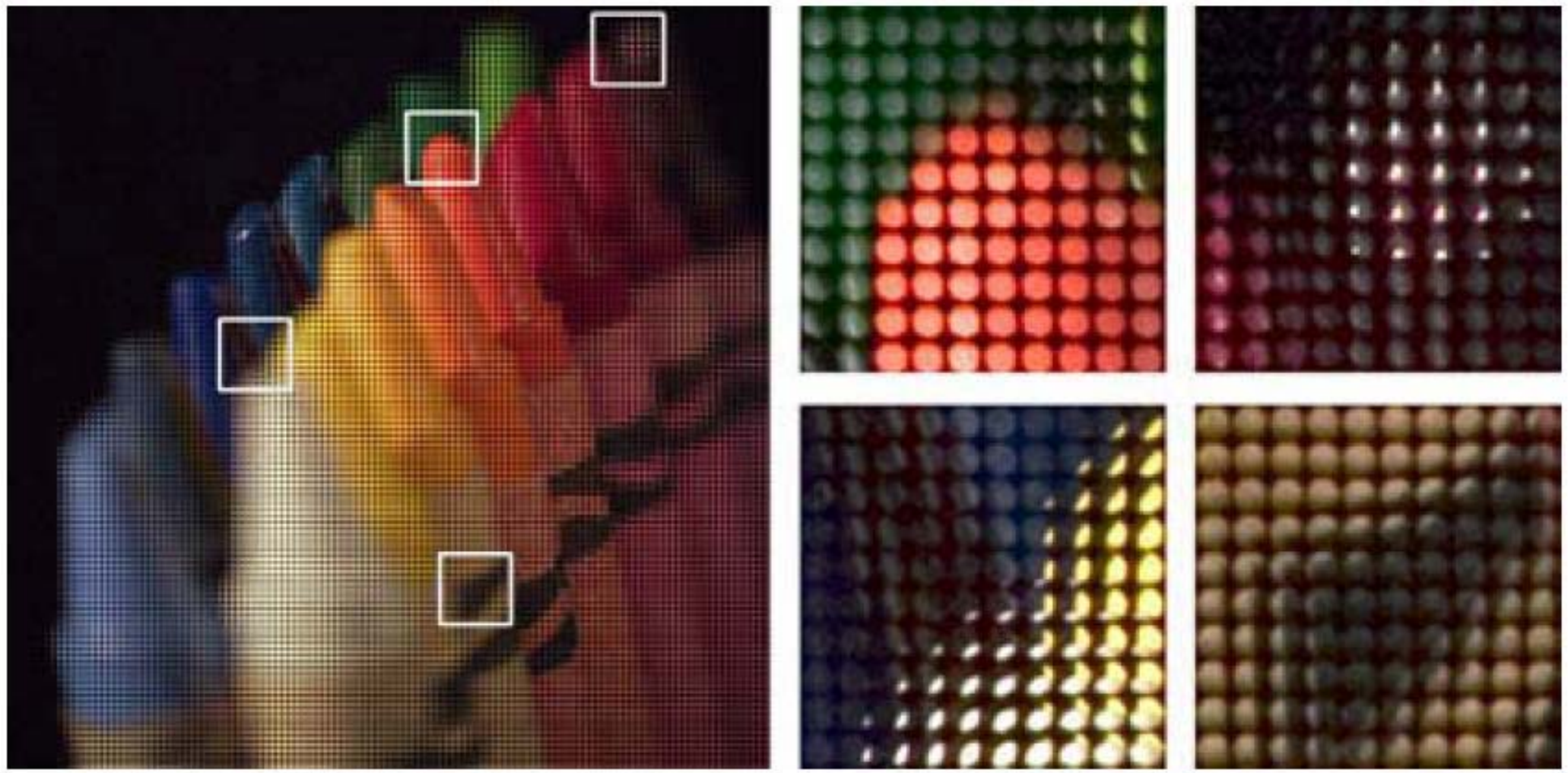


125 μ square-sided microlenses

[Ng et al 2005]

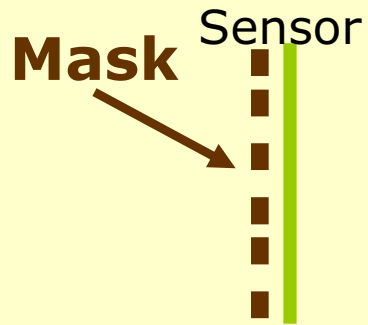
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Zooming into the raw photo

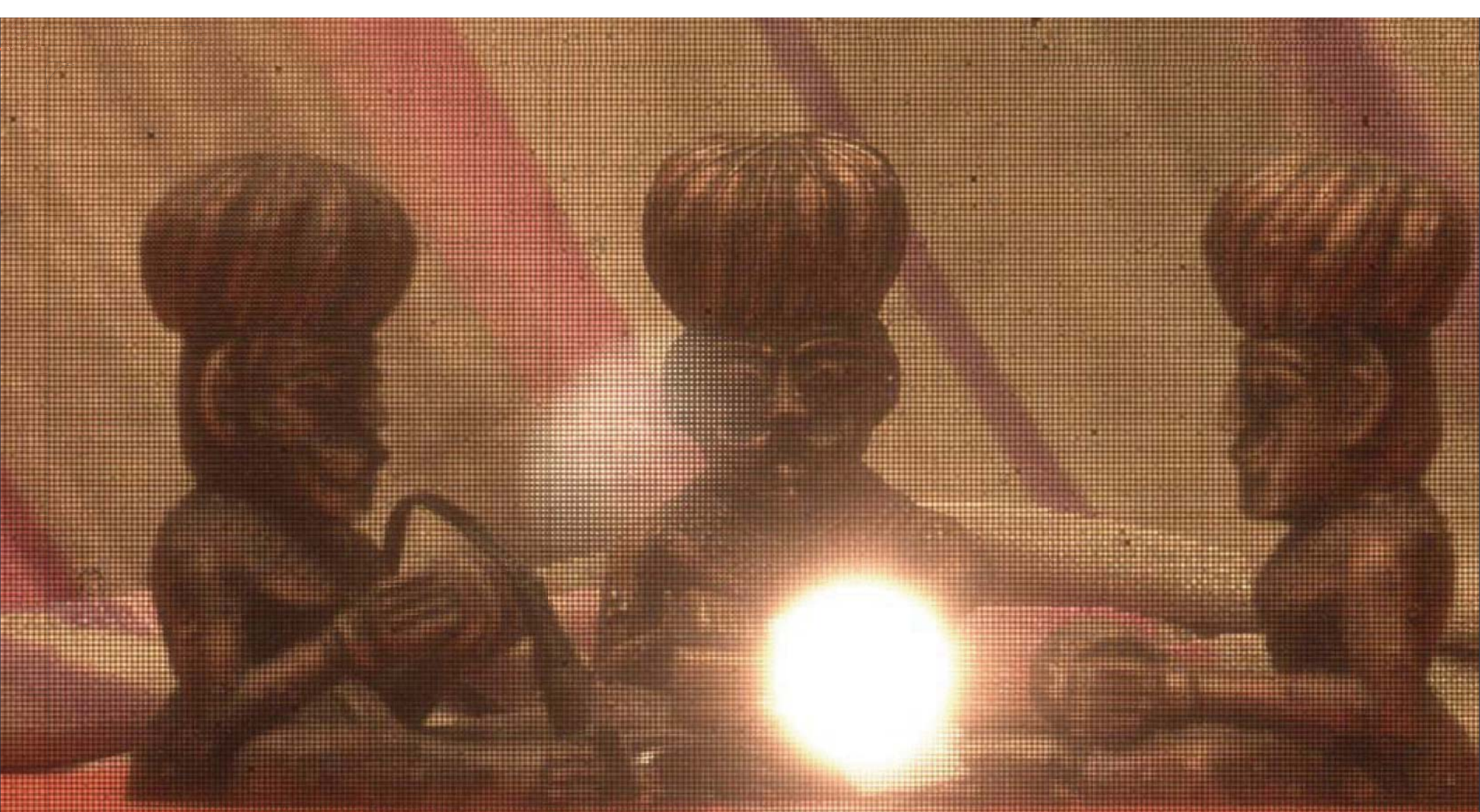


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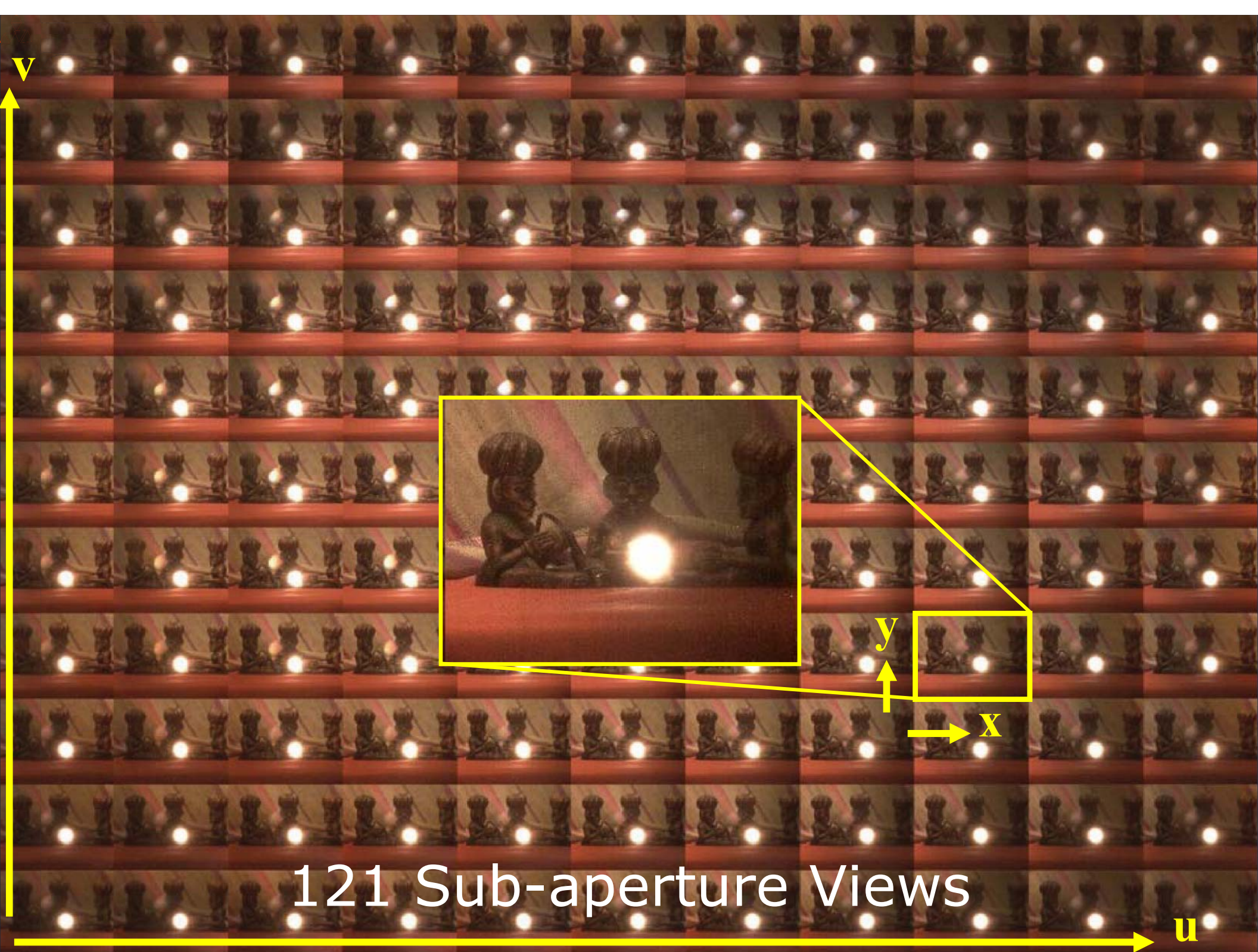
Mask based Light Field Camera



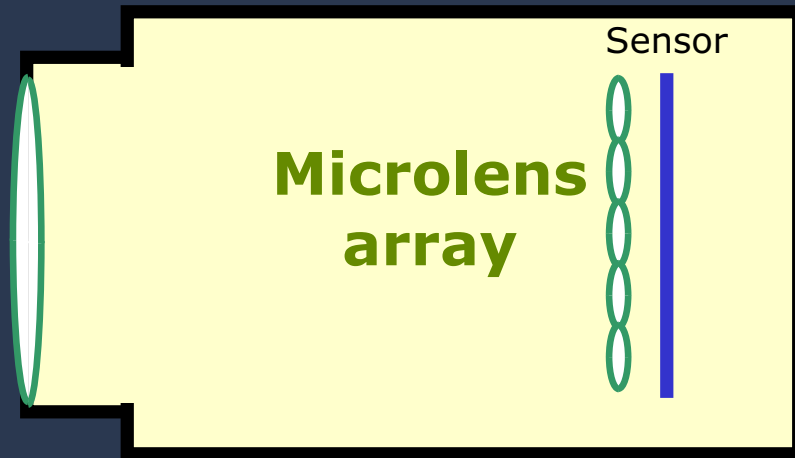
[Veeraraghavan, Raskar, Agrawal, Tumblin, Mohan, Siggraph 2007]



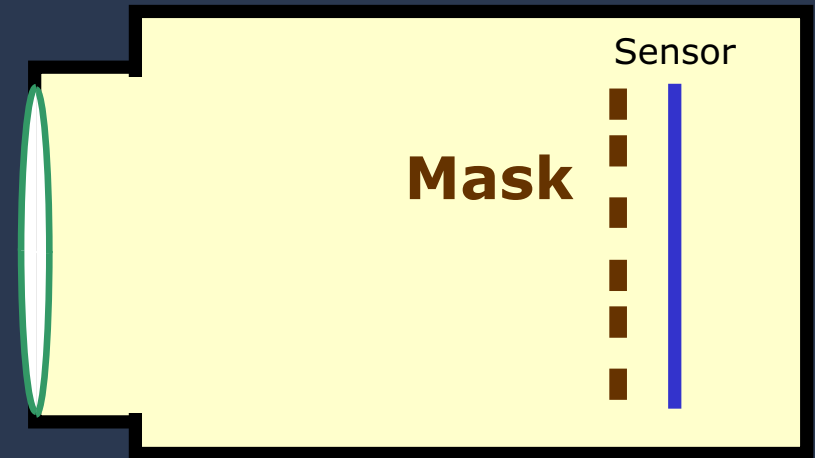
Captured 2D Photo



121 Sub-aperture Views



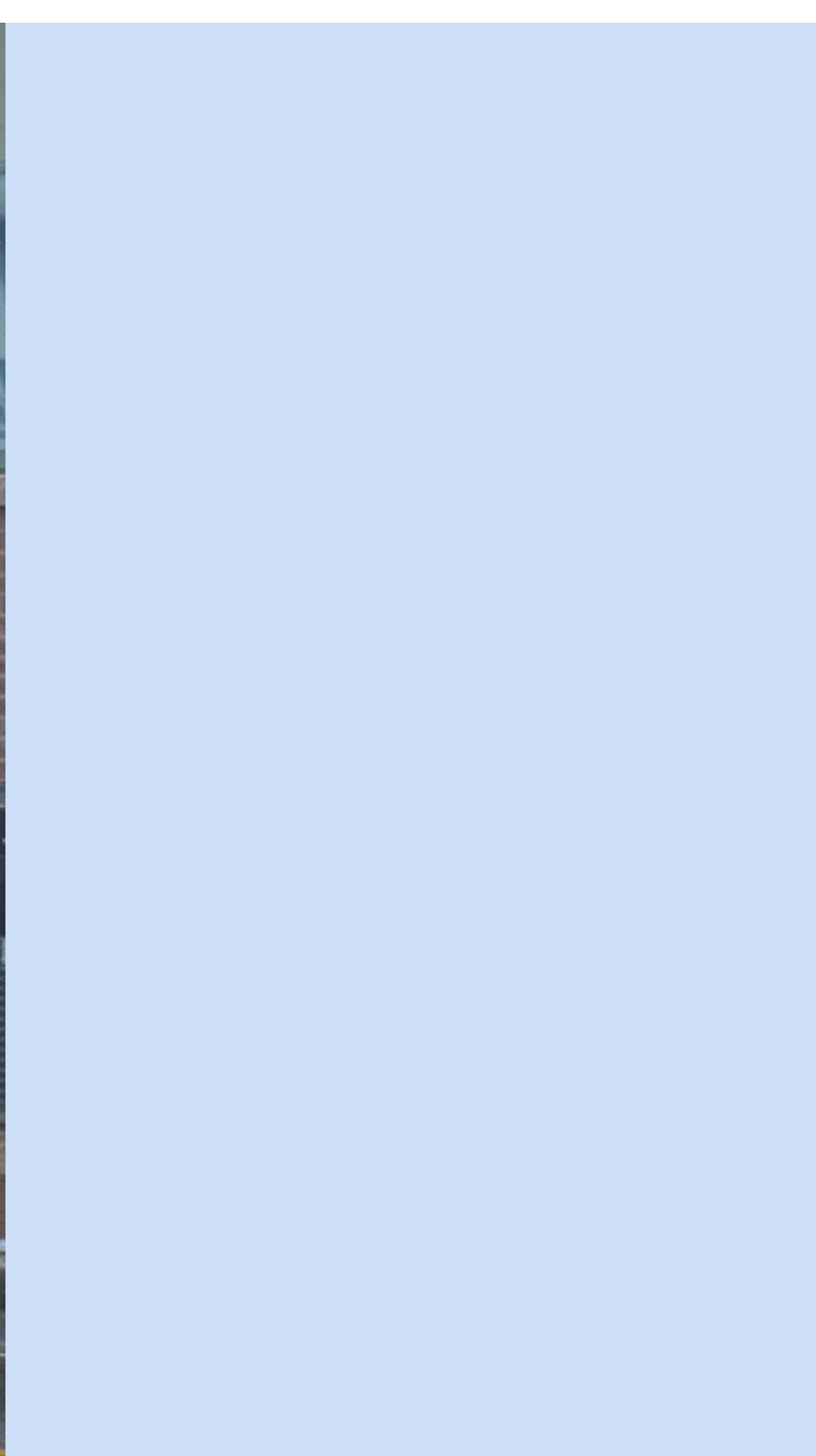
Plenoptic Camera



Heterodyne Camera

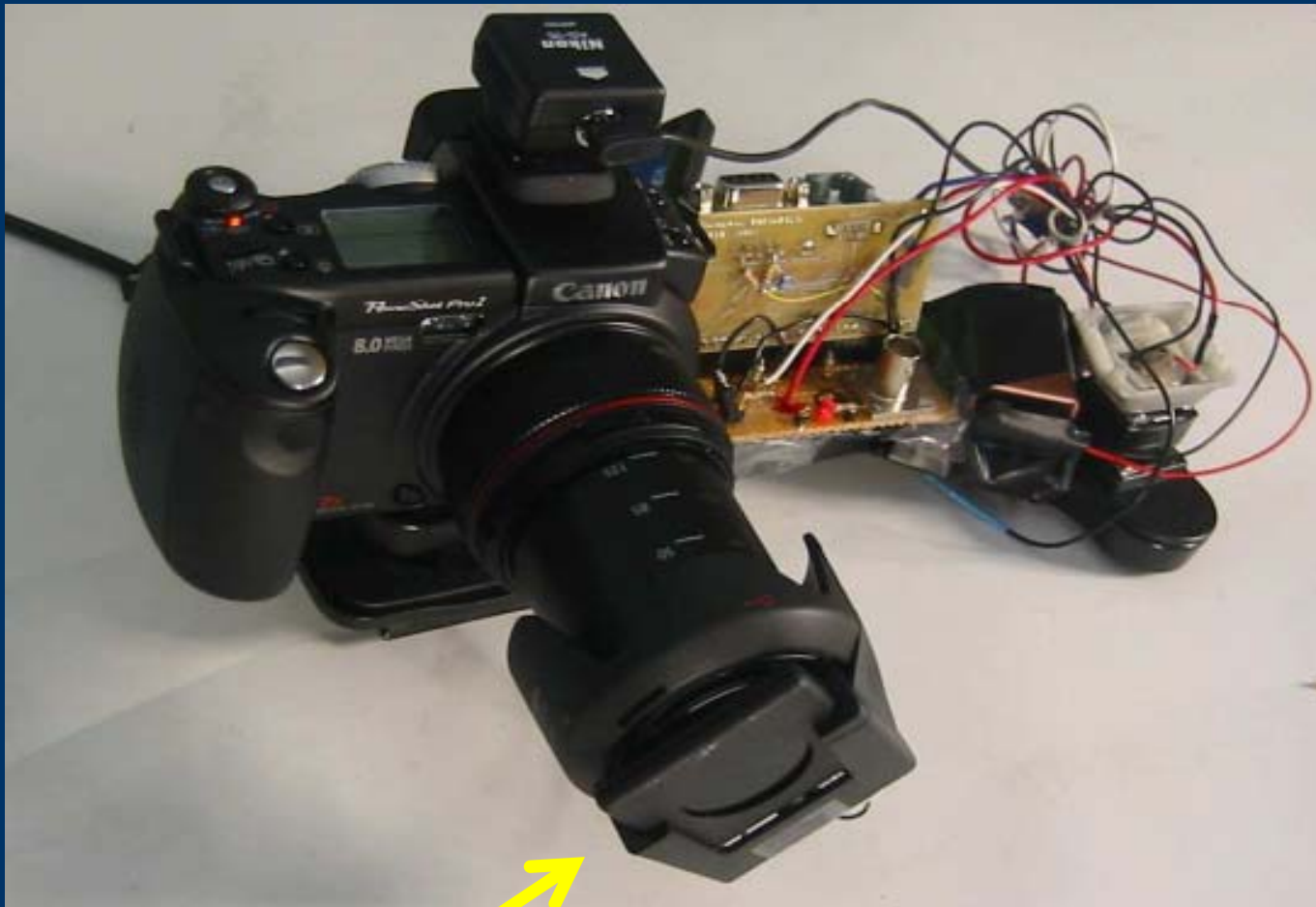
- Samples **individual** rays
- Predefined spectrum for lenses
- Chromatic aberration
- High alignment precision
- For each lenslet, peripheral pixels are wasted
- Negligible Light Loss
- Samples **coded combination** of rays
- Supports any wavelength
- **Reconfigurable f/#**, Easier alignment
- No wastage
- **High resolution image** for parts of scene in focus
- 50 % Light Loss due to mask

Motion Blur in Low Light



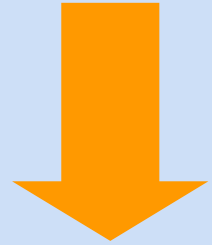
Fluttered Shutter Camera

Raskar, Agrawal, Tumblin Siggraph2006



Ferroelectric shutter in front of the lens is turned opaque or transparent in a rapid binary sequence

Motion Blur in Low Light





Courtesy of [cromacom](#) on Flickr.



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Compact
Programmable
Lights ?



Wish #1

Ultimate Post-capture Control

- Digital Refocus and Motion blur
- Emulate studio light from compact flash

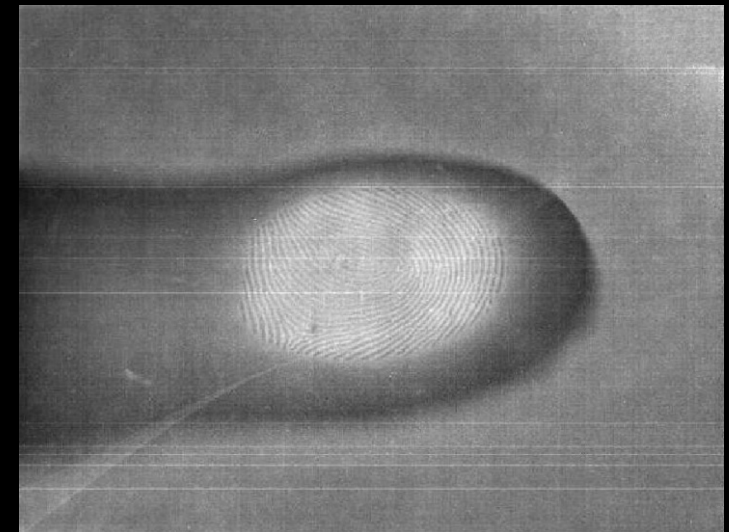
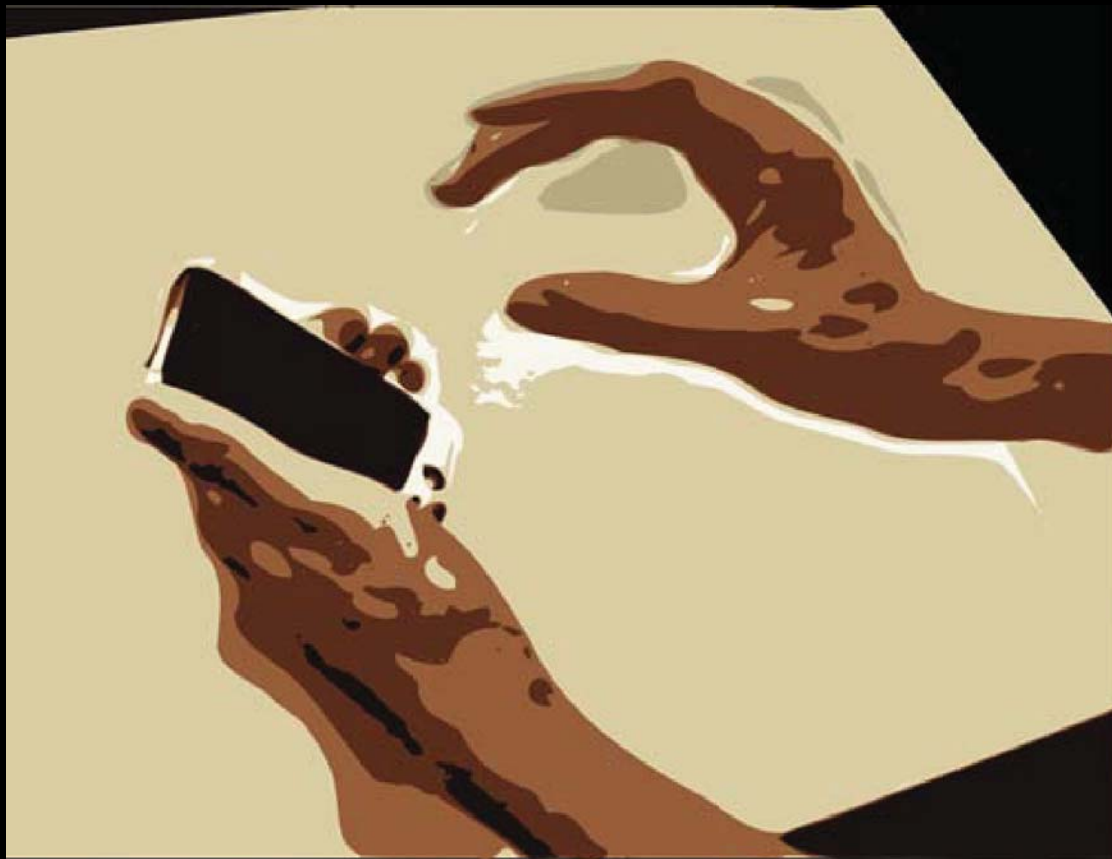
A high-speed photograph of a water droplet splashing onto a lens. The lens has technical markings: "EF 28mm" and "1:3.5-6.3". The water splash is in the center, creating a crown-like shape. The background is a gradient of blue and purple. A semi-transparent dark blue horizontal band is overlaid on the image, containing the text.

Wish #2

Freedom from Form

Convert LCD into a big flat camera?

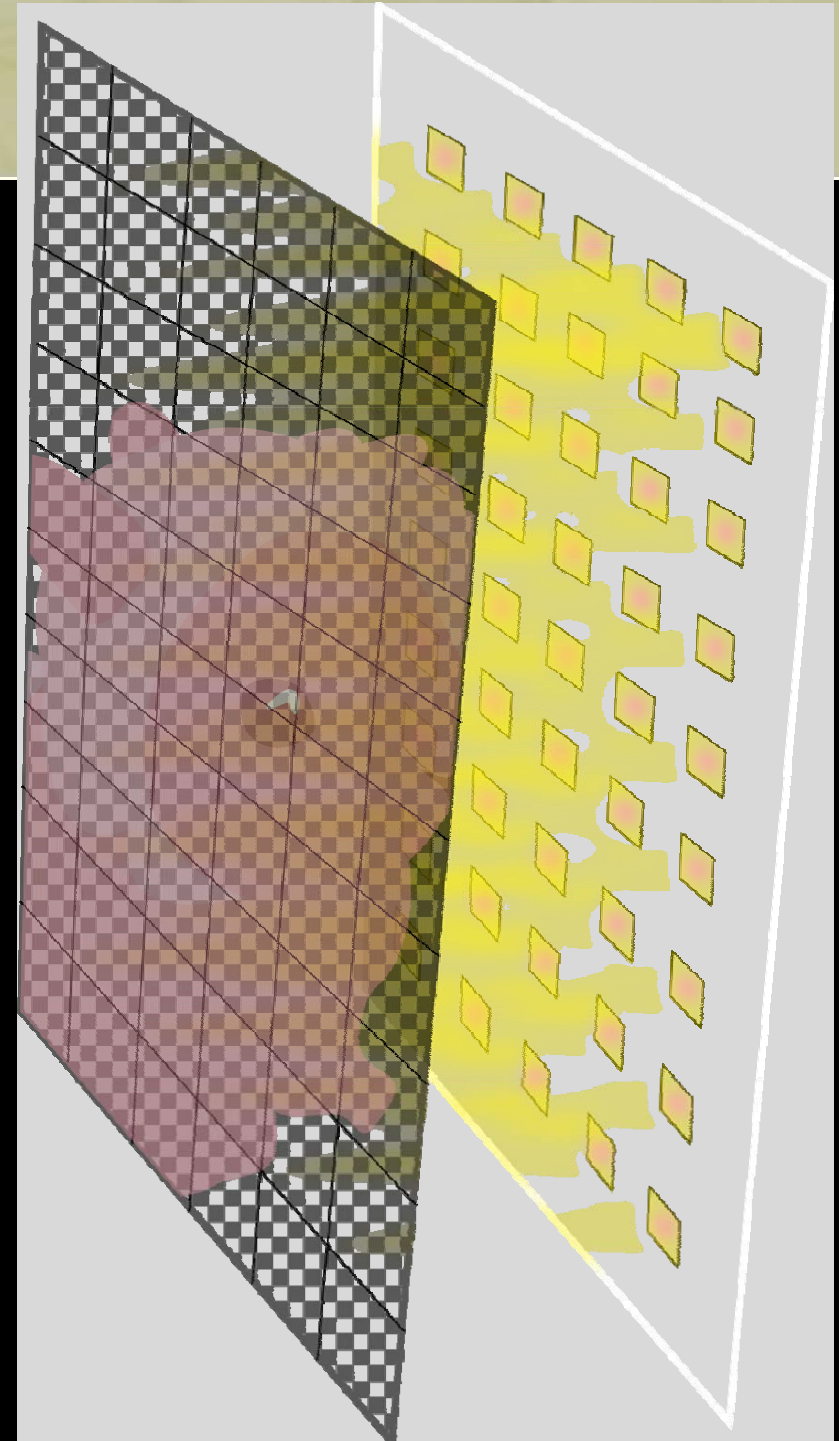
Beyond Multi-touch: 3D Gestures



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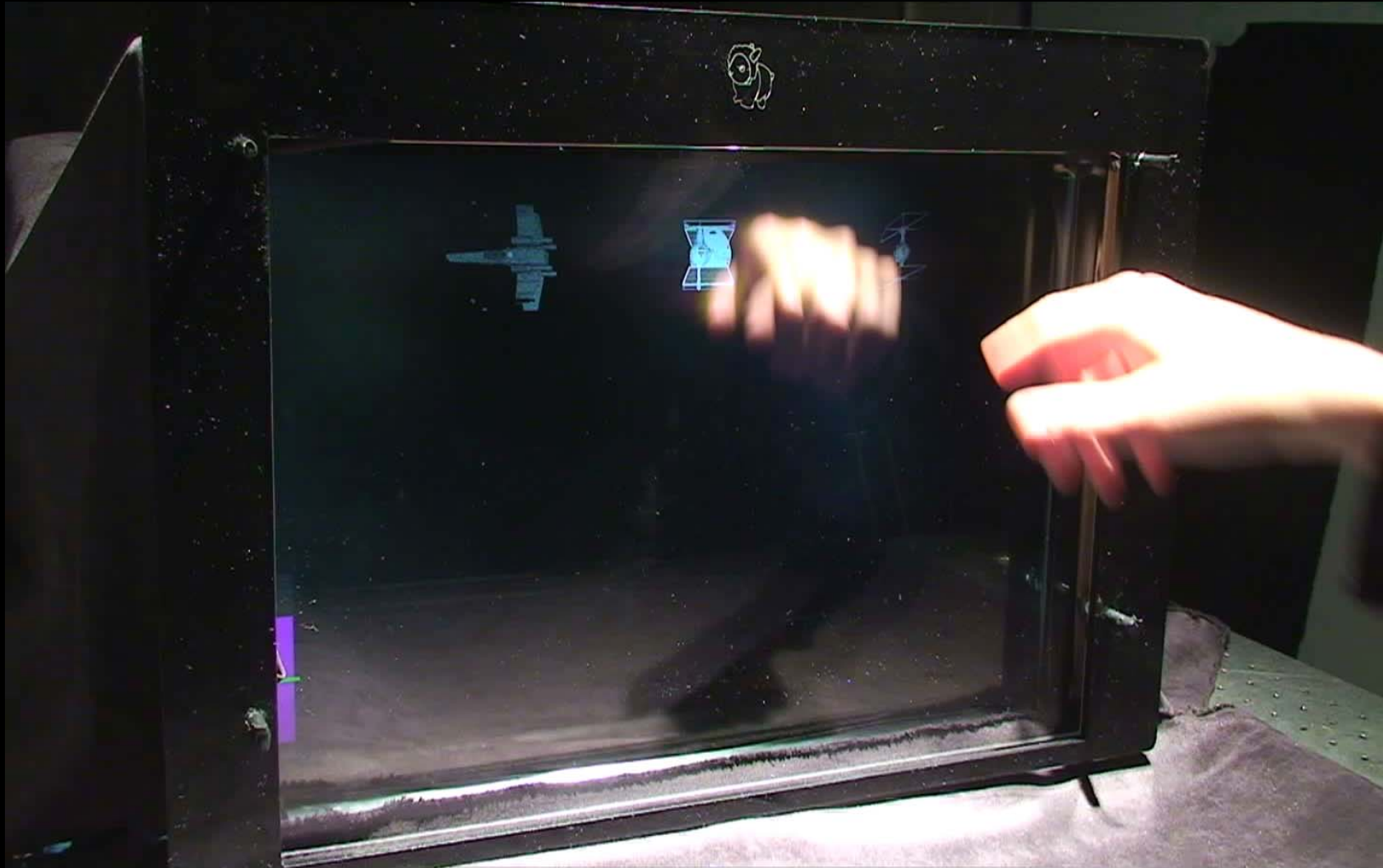
BiDi Screen

Large Virtual Camera for
3D Interactive HCI and
Video Conferencing



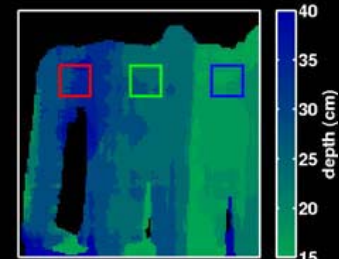
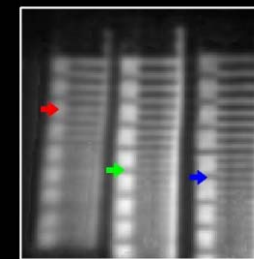
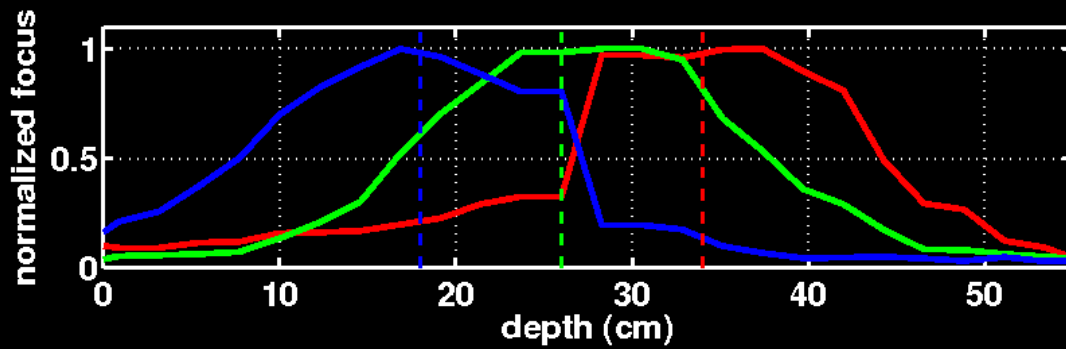
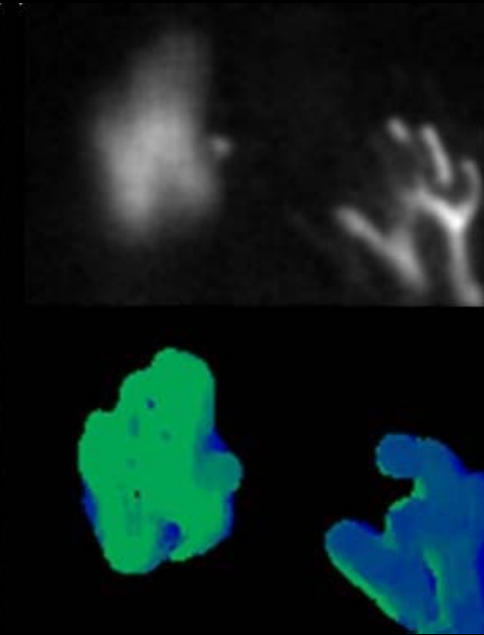
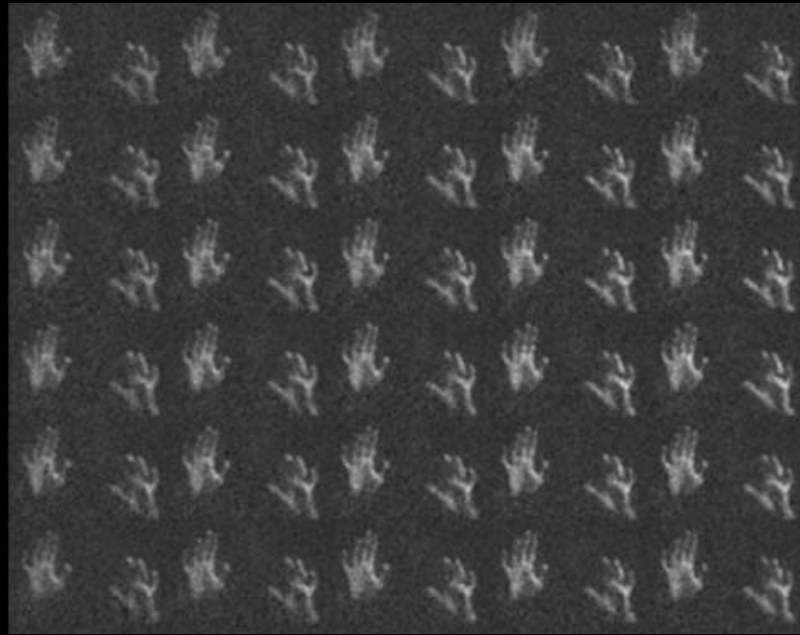
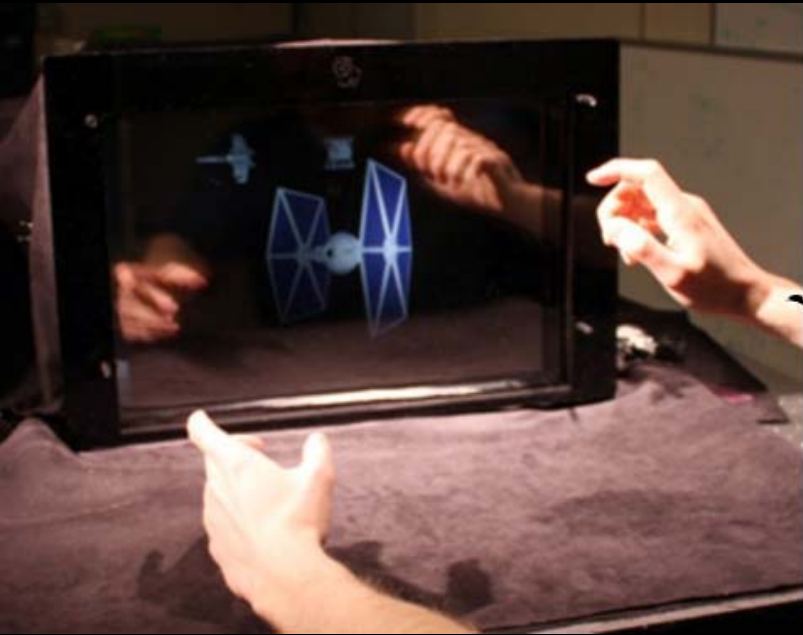
Matthew Hirsch, Henry Holtzman
Doug Lanman, Ramesh Raskar
Siggraph Asia 2009

Touch + Hover using Thin, Depth Sensing LCD Sensor



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Sensing Depth from Array of Virtual Cameras in LCD



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Shallow DoF with Simple Lens

Compact digital camera



Photo with large depth of field

SLR camera



Photo with narrow depth of field

Lots of glass; Heavy; Bulky; Expensive

Image Destabilization

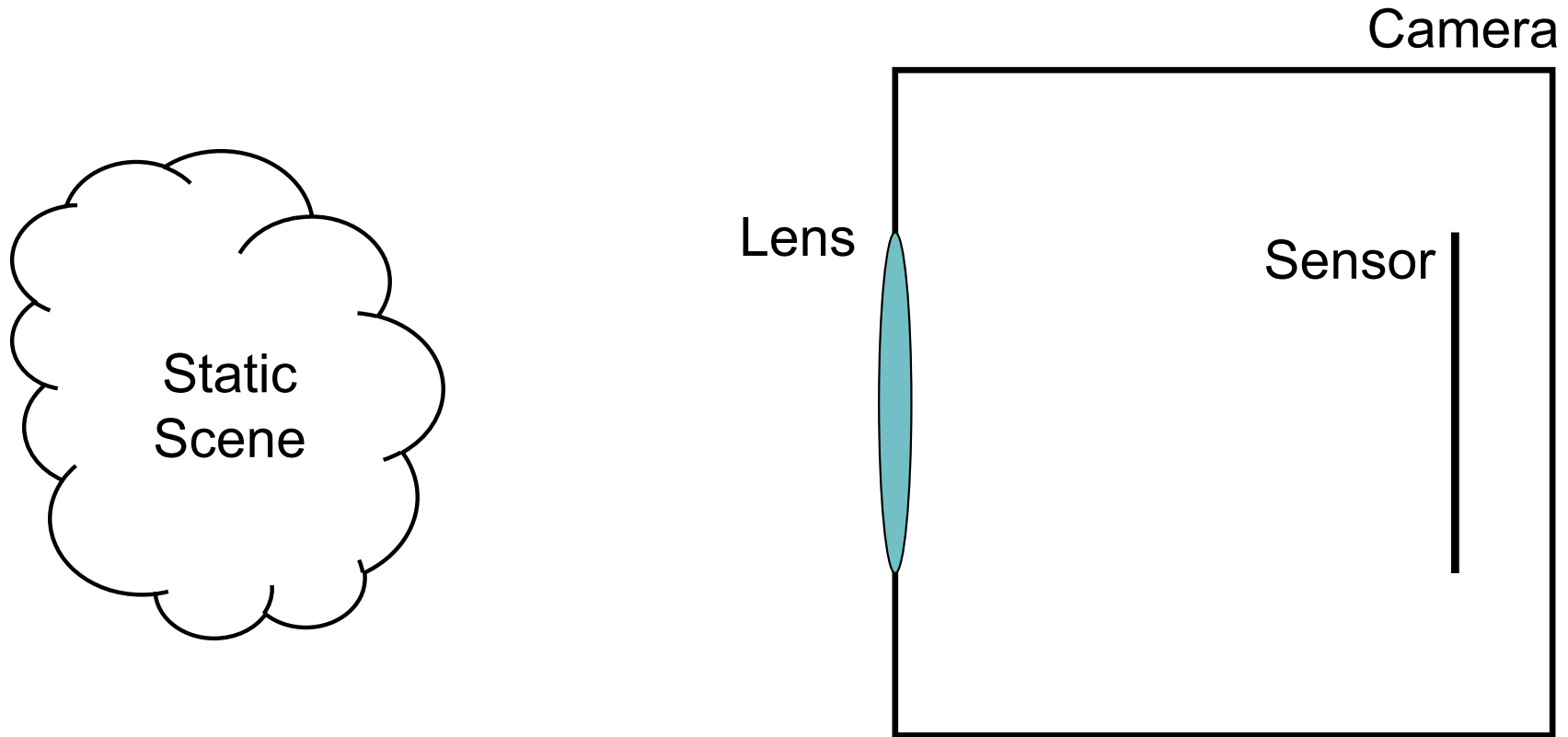
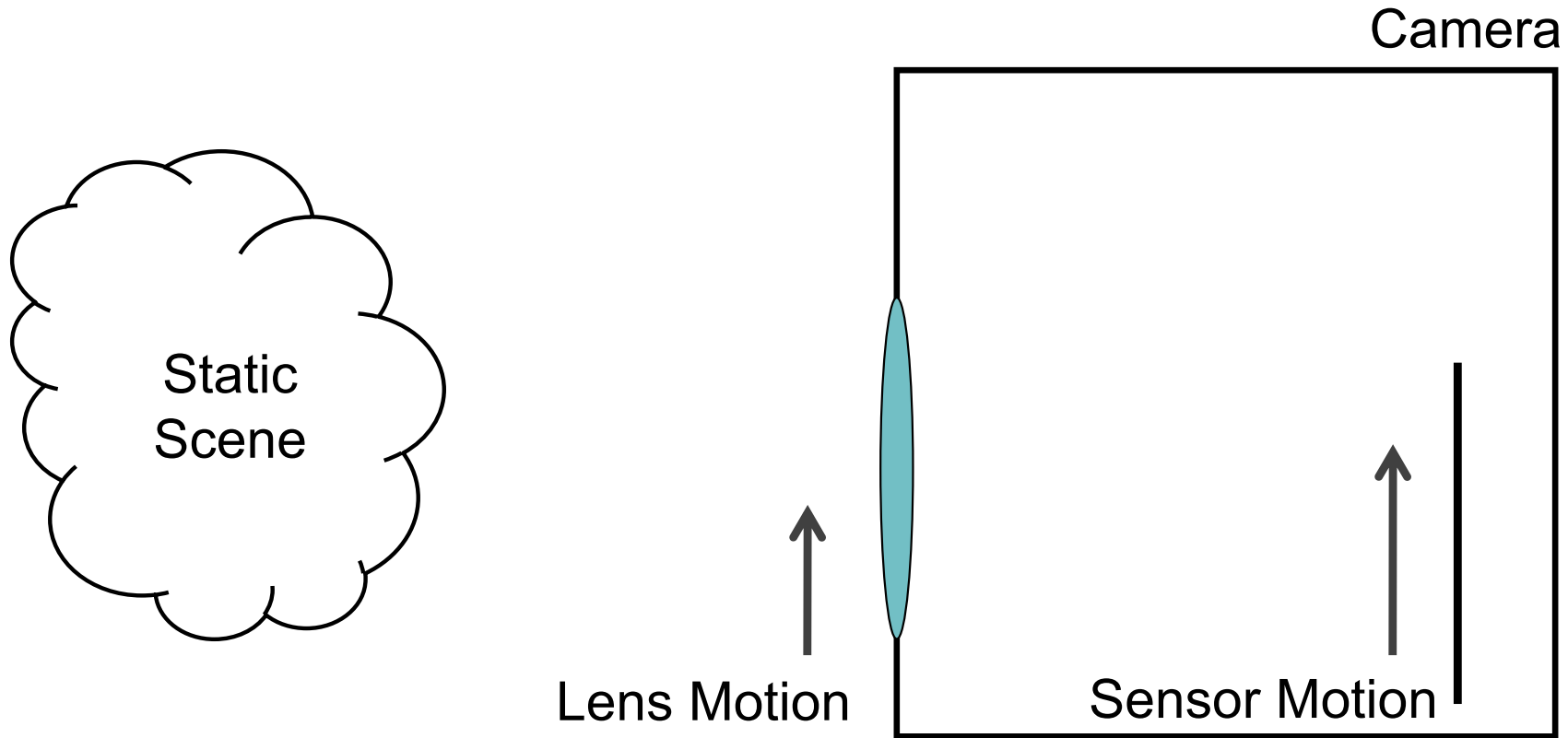


Image Destabilization



Small Aperture Photo



all-in-focus

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Destabilized Small Aperture



focused in the front using destabilization

Adjusting the Focus Plane



focused in the middle using destabilization

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Adjusting the Focus Plane



focused in the back using destabilization

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Wish #3

Understand the World

Convert single 2D photo into 3D ?

Snavely, Seitz, Szeliski

U of Washington/Microsoft: Photosynth

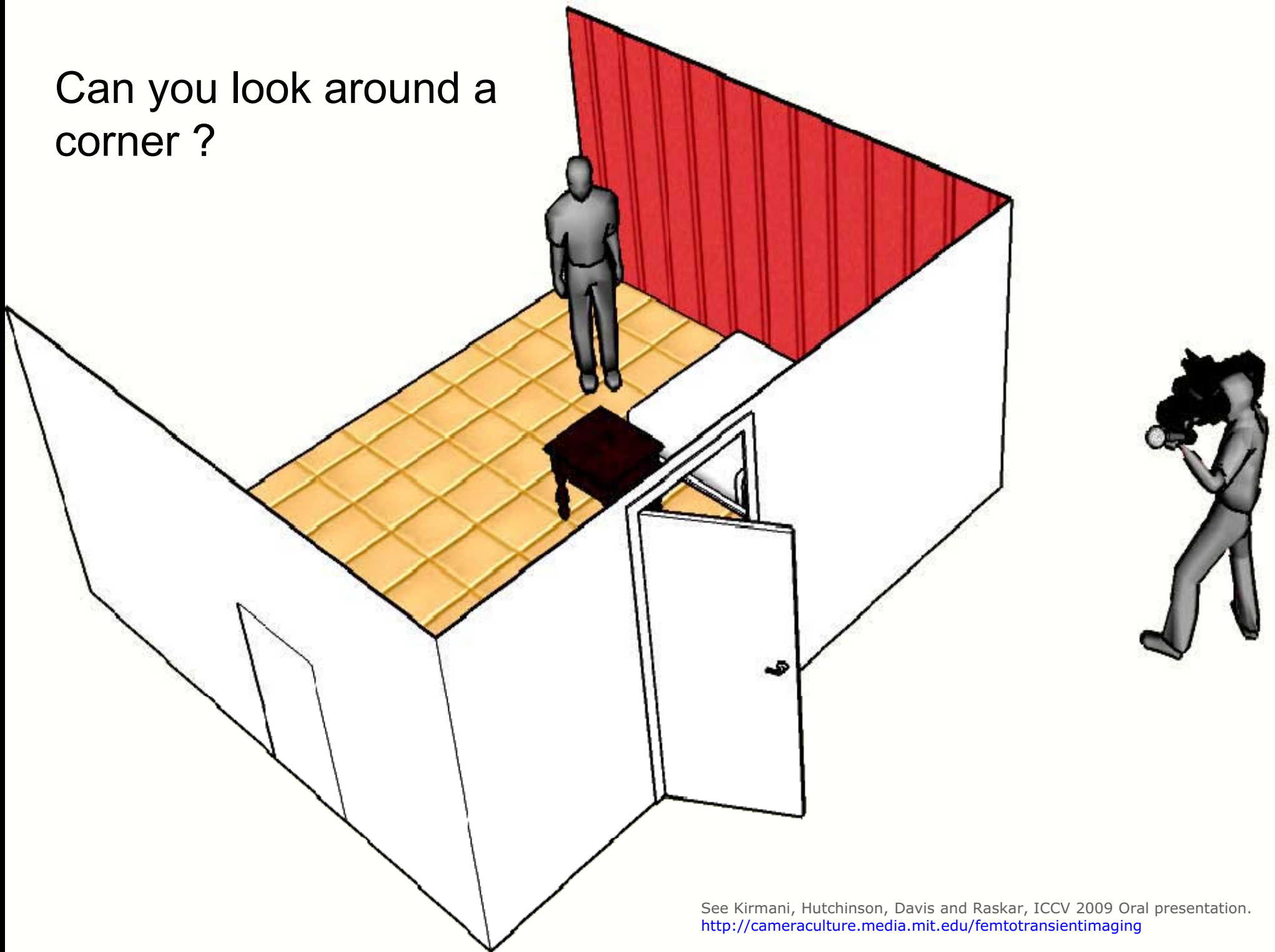
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Exploit Community Photo Collections

U of Washington/Microsoft: Photosynth

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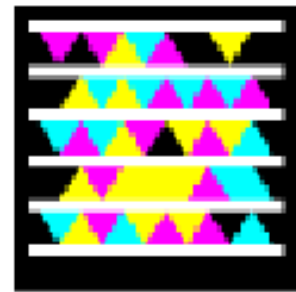
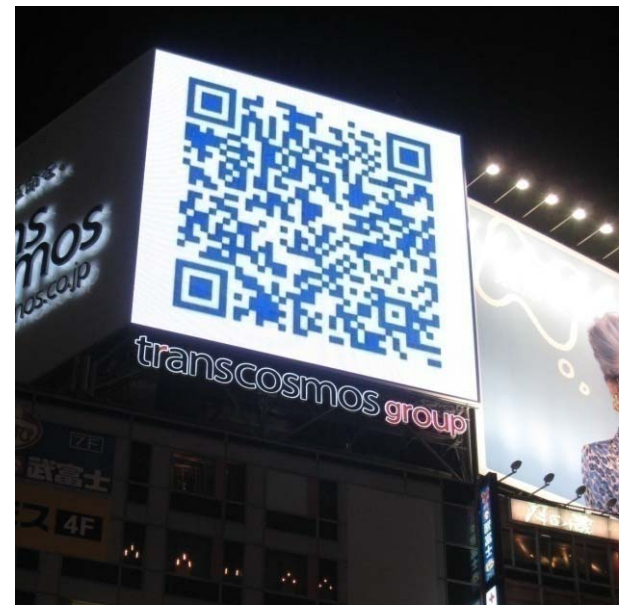
Femto-Photography: Higher Dimensional Capture

FemtoFlash

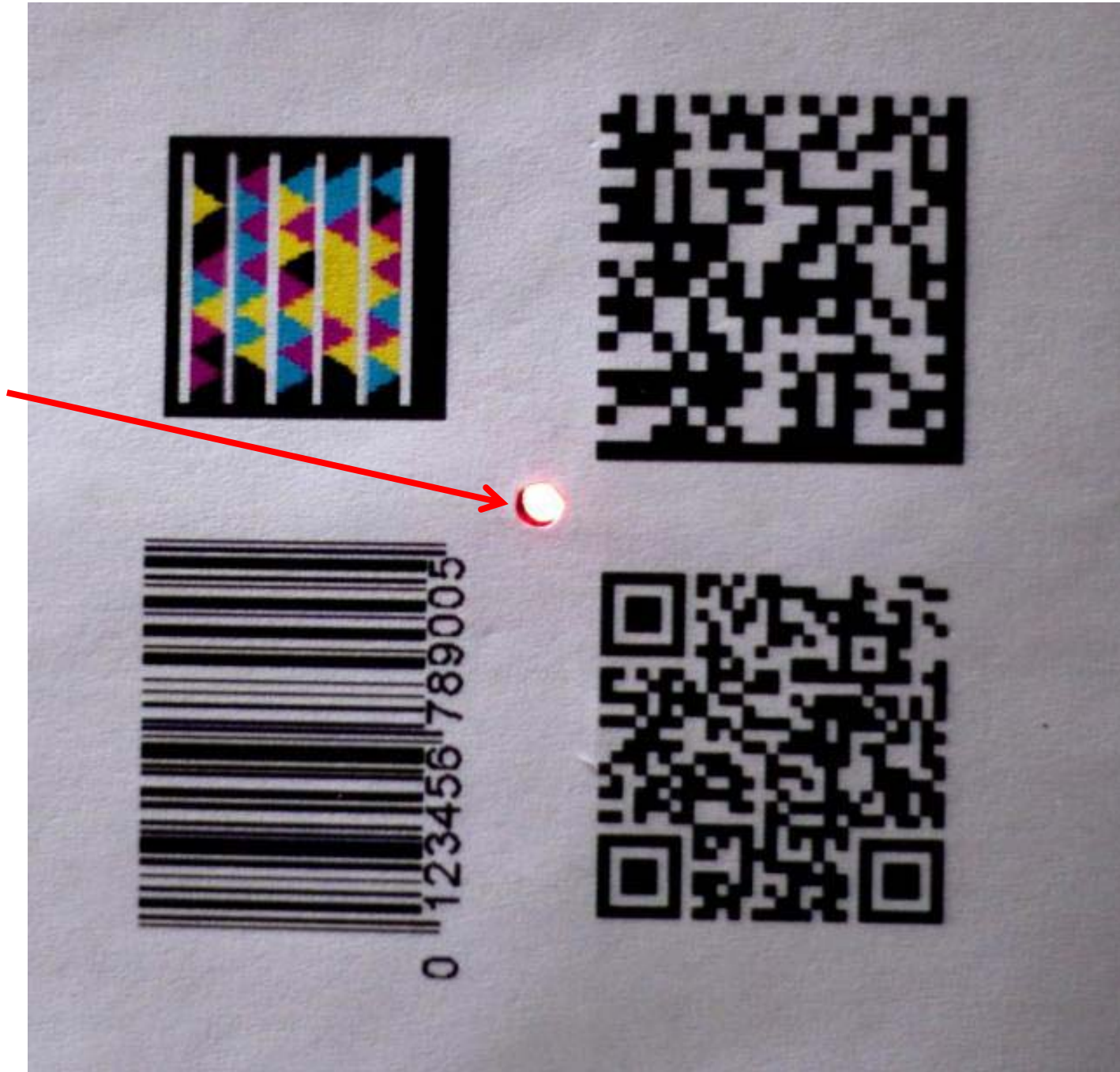
UltraFast
Detector

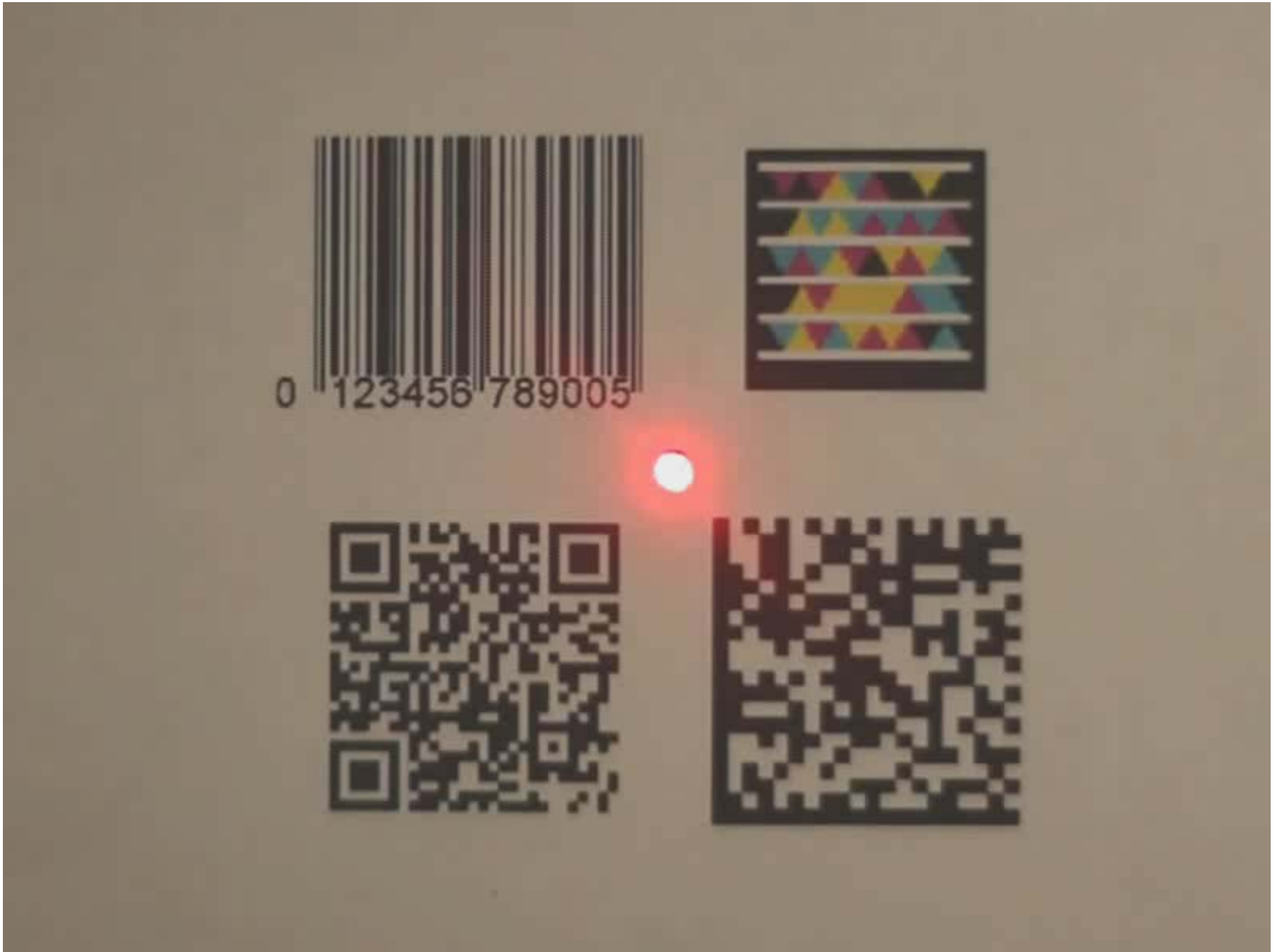
Serious Sync

Computational Optics



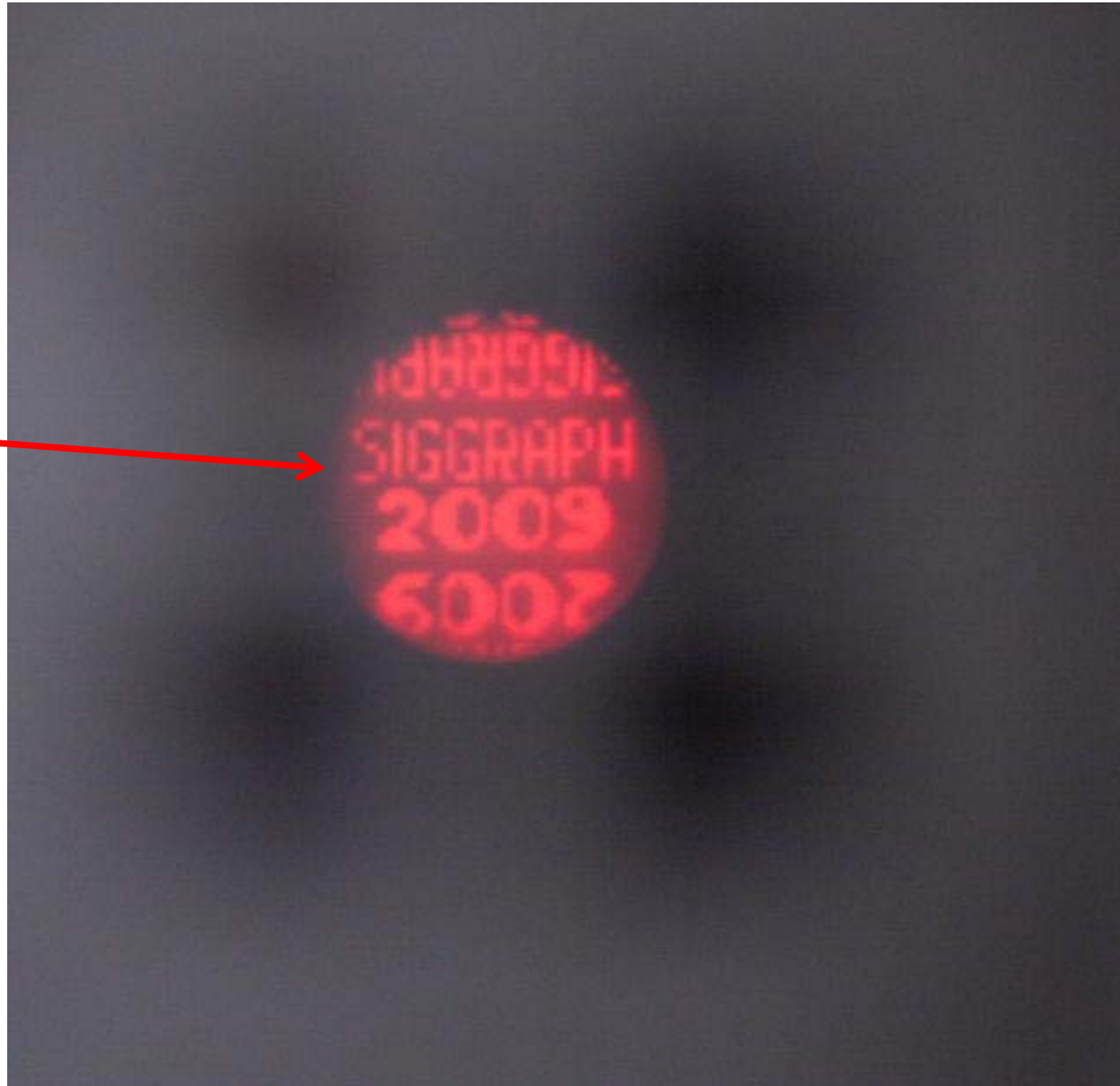
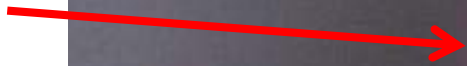
Bokode



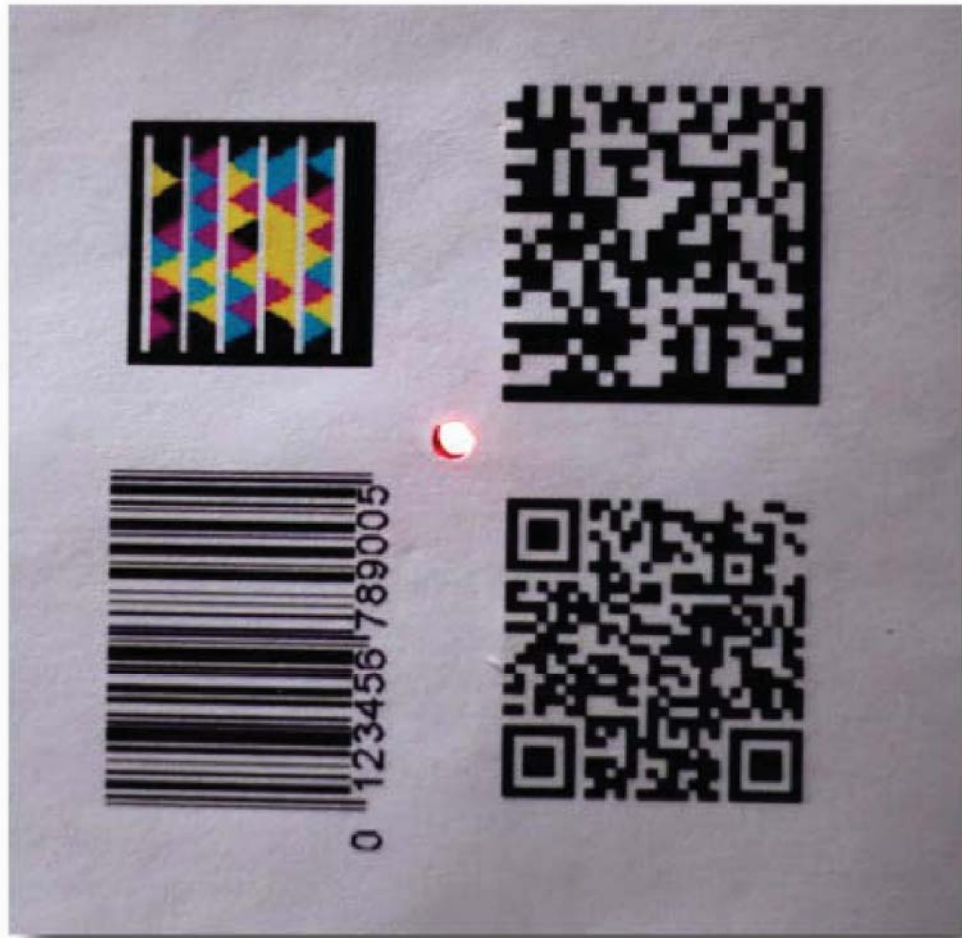


Mohan, A., G. Woo, S. Hiura, Q. Smithwick, and R. Raskar. "Bokode: Imperceptible Visual Tags for Camera-based Interaction from a Distance." *Proceedings of ACM SIGGRAPH 2009*.

Defocus
blur of
Bokode



Coding in Angle

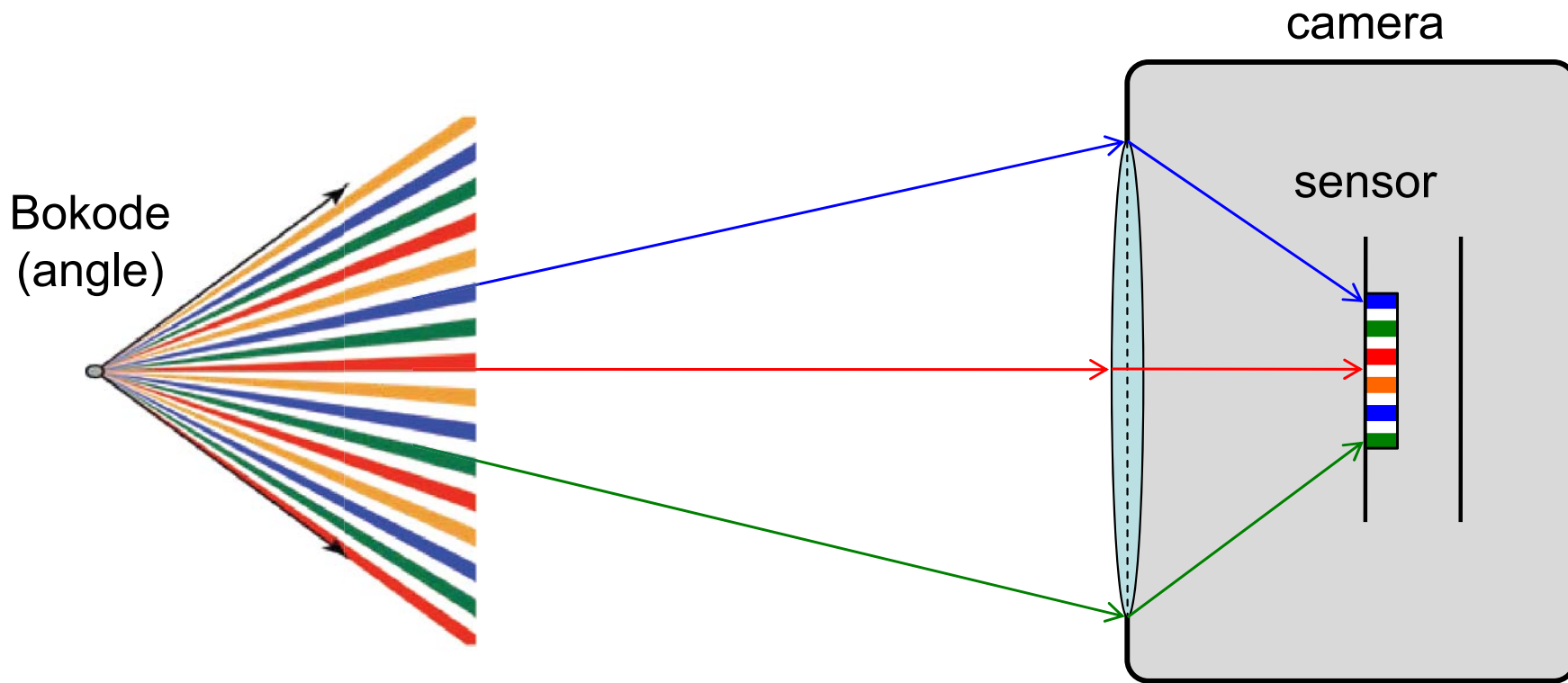


In Focus Photograph

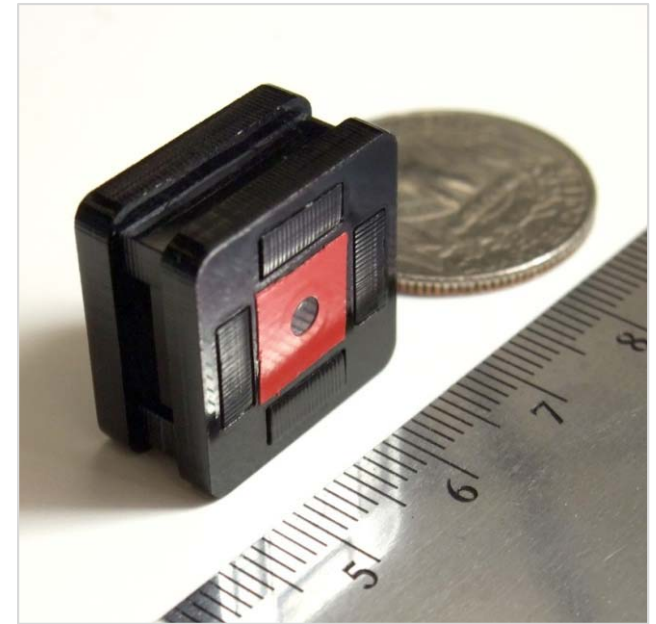


Out of Focus Photograph

Encoding in Angle, not space, time or wavelength

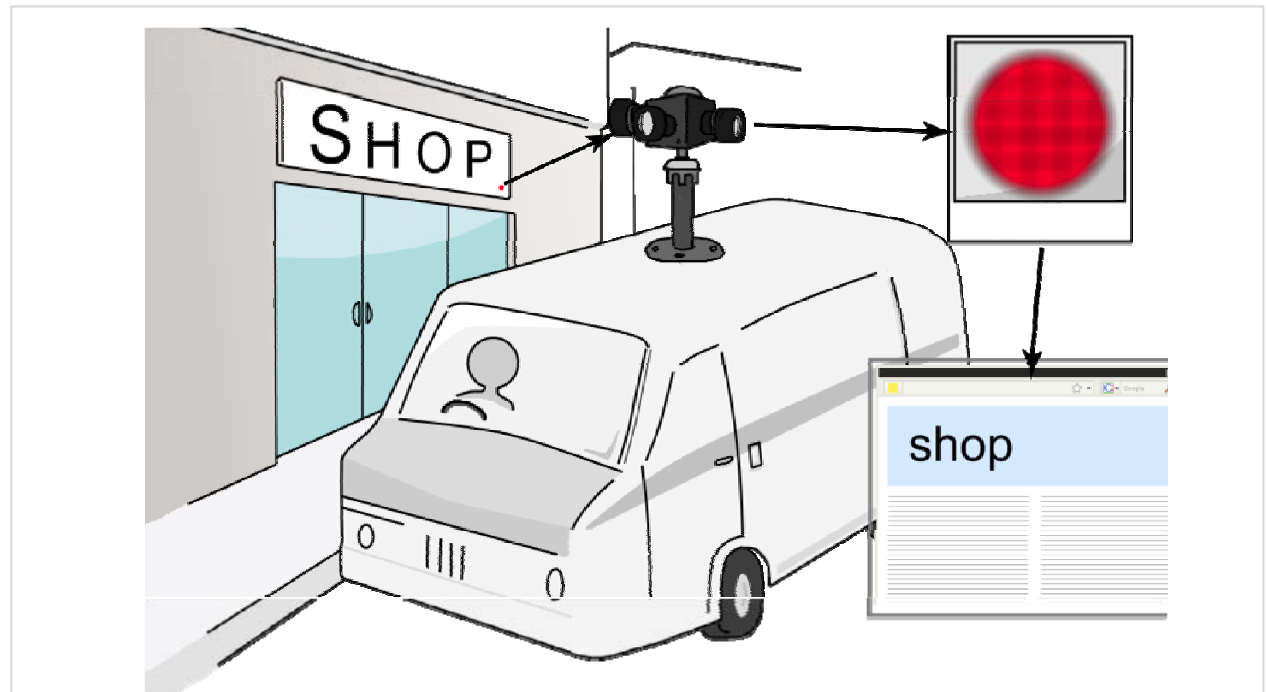


circle of confusion \rightarrow circle of information



Product labels

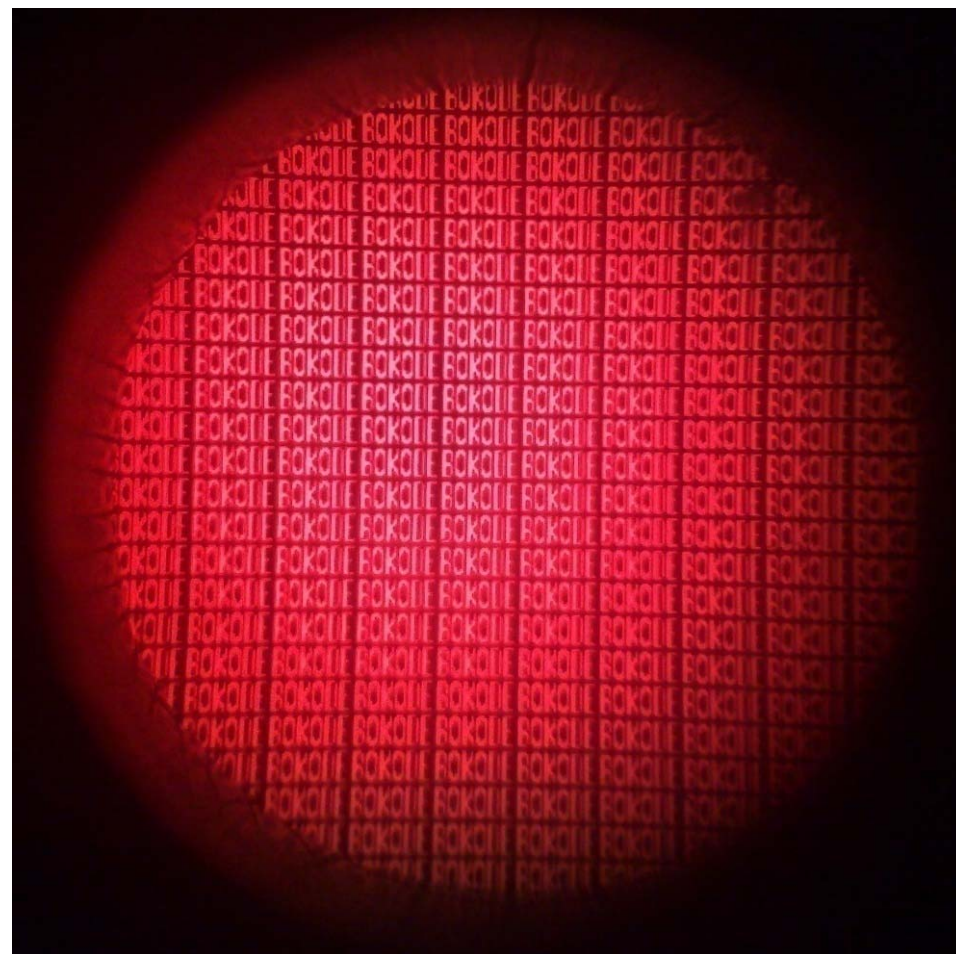
Street-view Tagging



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capturing Bokodes

cell-phone camera
close to the Bokode
(10,000+ bytes of data)





Wish #3

Understand the World

- Identify/recognize Materials
 - 3D Awareness
- Interact with information



Wish #4

Sharing Visual Experience



Wish #4

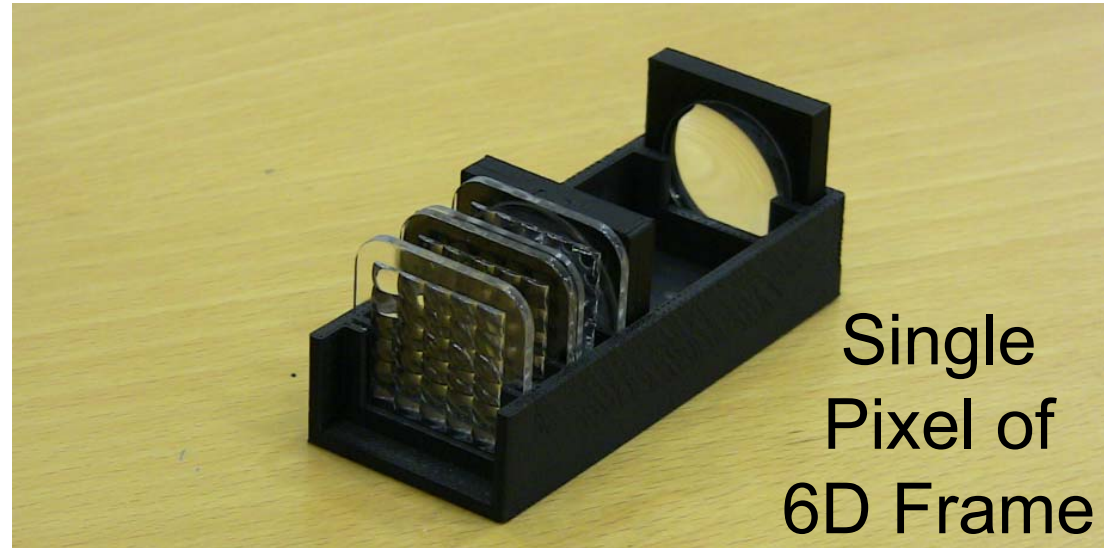
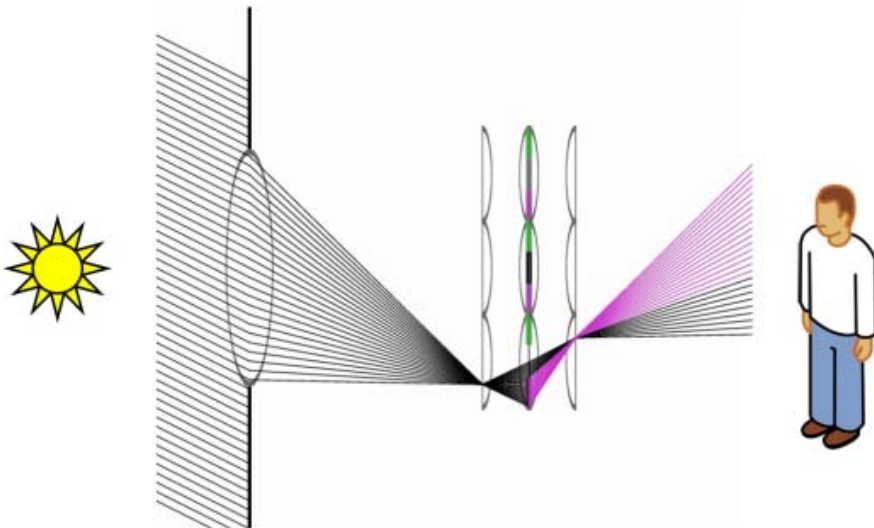
Sharing Visual Experience

- LifeLog Auto-summary
- Privacy in public and authentication
 - Great Photo-frames

6D Photo Frames



One Pixel of a 6D Display = 4D Display





Wish #4

Sharing Visual Experience

- LifeLog Auto-summary
- Privacy in public and authentication
- Hyper-real Photo Frames
 - Print 'material'



Wish #5

Capturing Essence

Essence Photography

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See Fig. 1 in Jingyi Yu and Leonard McMillan, "A Framework for Multiperspective Rendering", Rendering Techniques 04, Eurographics Symposium on Rendering (EGSR), 2004, Norrkoping, Sweden.

<http://graphics.cis.udel.edu/research/EGRW04/EGSR2004.pdf>

- Beyond physical realism
- New Visual Art Forms



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Car maintenance manual figure showing where to fill the radiator.

What are the problems with 'real' photo in conveying information ?

Why do we hire artists to draw what can be photographed ?



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Car maintenance manual figure showing where to fill the radiator.

Shadows

Clutter

Many Colors

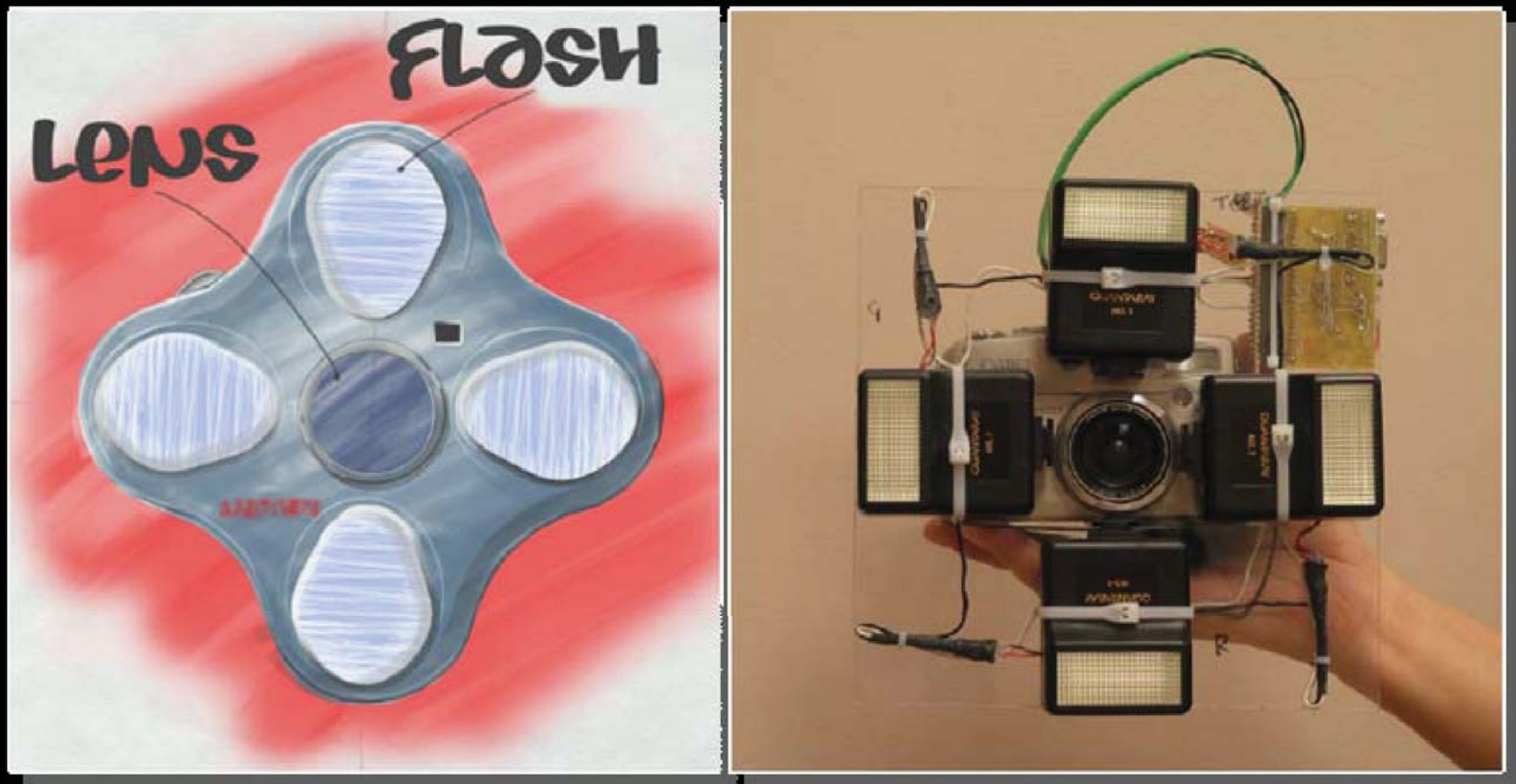
Highlight Shape Edges

Mark moving parts

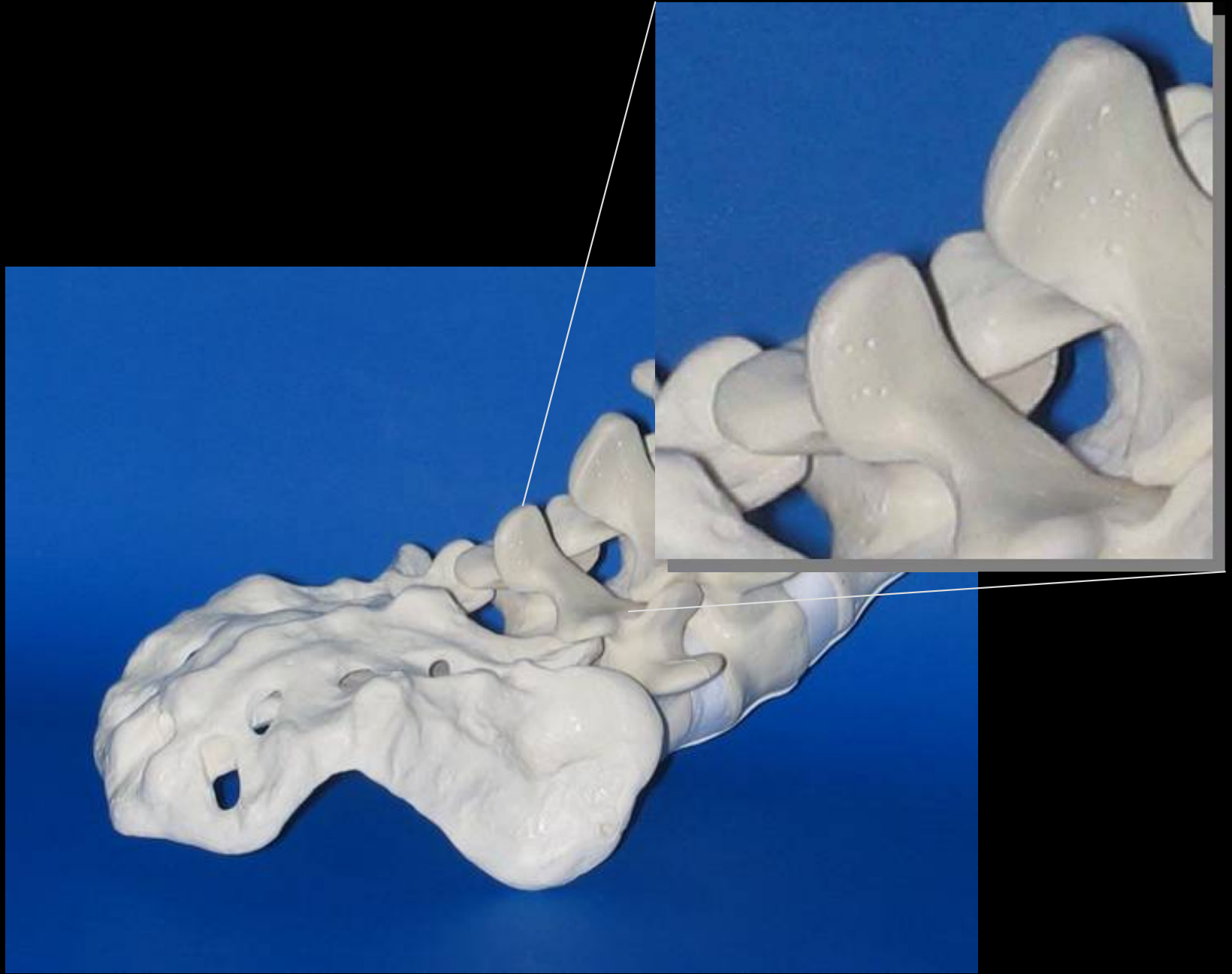
Basic colors

Depth Edges with MultiFlash

Raskar, Tan, Feris, Jingyi Yu, Turk – ACM SIGGRAPH 2004



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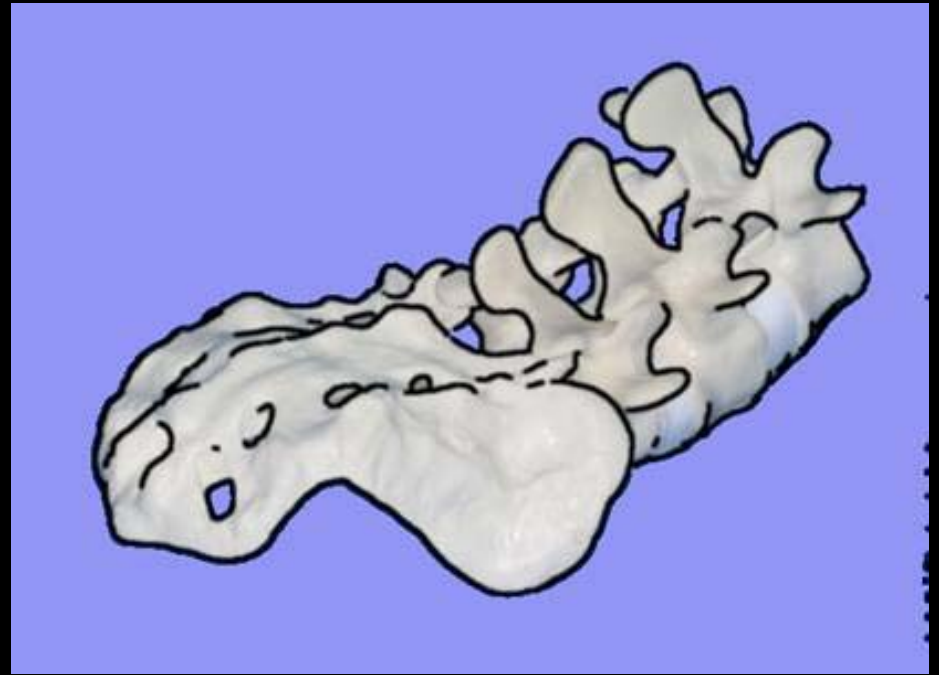
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Depth Discontinuities



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Internal and external
Shape boundaries, Occluding contour, Silhouettes



Canny

Our Method



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Blind Camera

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See "Buttons: A Blind Camera"

http://www.blinksandbuttons.net/buttons_en.html

Sascha Pohflepp,
U of the Art, Berlin, 2006

Scene Completion Using Millions of Photographs

Hays and Efros, Siggraph 2007

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Wish #5



EF 28mm 1:3.5-5.6



Photos of tomorrow: computed not recorded

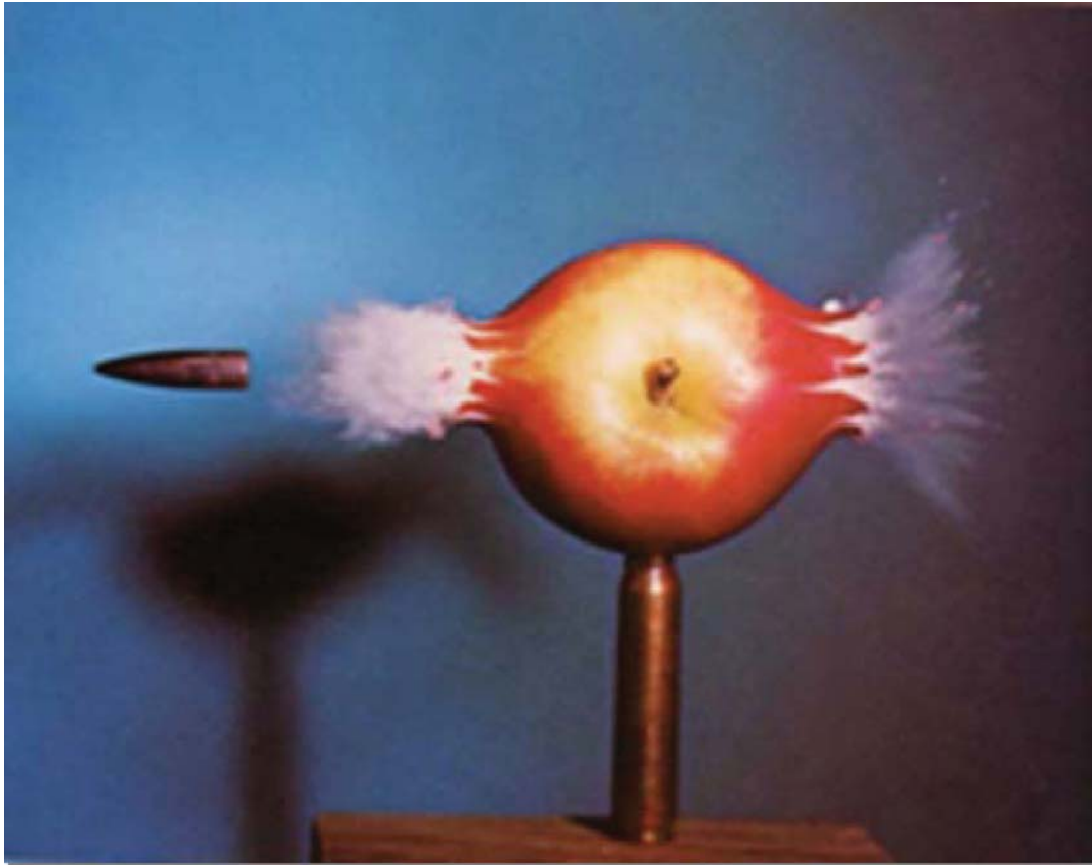


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Airplane propeller aliasing; see
<http://scalarmotion.wordpress.com/2009/03/15/propeller-image-aliasing/>

Edgerton, Harold E. MIT Museum, Cambridge MA.
MIT Museum, Edgerton Digital Collections.
<http://edgerton-digital-collections.org>

Questions

- What will a camera look like in 10,20 years?
- How will a billion networked and portable cameras change the social culture?
- How will online photo collections transform visual social computing?
- How will movie making/new reporting change?
- computational-journalism.com

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The field of Computational Photography seeks to create new photographic functionalities and experiences that go beyond what is possible with traditional cameras and image processing tools. Submissions on the following topics are encouraged:

Computational Cameras: The use of optical coding followed by computational decoding to produce new or enhanced images and videos. Examples include catadioptric, coded aperture, integral/plenoptic, coded exposure, lensless, assorted pixel, compressive, holographic and depth imaging. Novel computational image detectors that facilitate the creation of new images are also included.

Multiple Images and Camera Arrays: The use of multiple images captured sequentially or simultaneously followed by processing to produce new or enhanced images. Examples include mosaicing, creation of collages and montages, refocusing, and light field rendering. Also included are the use of multiple images to achieve high dynamic range, extended depth of field, super-resolution, denoising, multispectral imaging and polarization imaging.

Computational Illumination: The use of programmable light sources to capture images followed by processing to produce new or enhanced images. Examples include structured light for depth/normal estimation, image based relighting, flash/no-flash methods for image enhancements, separation of reflection components, detection of material properties and light transport measurement and manipulation.

Advanced Image and Video Processing: The use of innovative computational methods to break the fundamental limits of traditional image processing and produce new or enhanced images. Examples include the use of image priors for enhancement, image matting, image filling, and view interpolation.

Scientific Photography and Videography: The use of imaging systems to gather quantitative information about physical systems and processes as diverse as individual cells and galaxies. Examples include application in microscopy, biomedical imaging, remote sensing and astronomy.

Important Dates

Submission of full paper	November 2, 2009
Notification of acceptance	February 2, 2010
Conference	March 26-27, 2010

[Detailed submission](#)

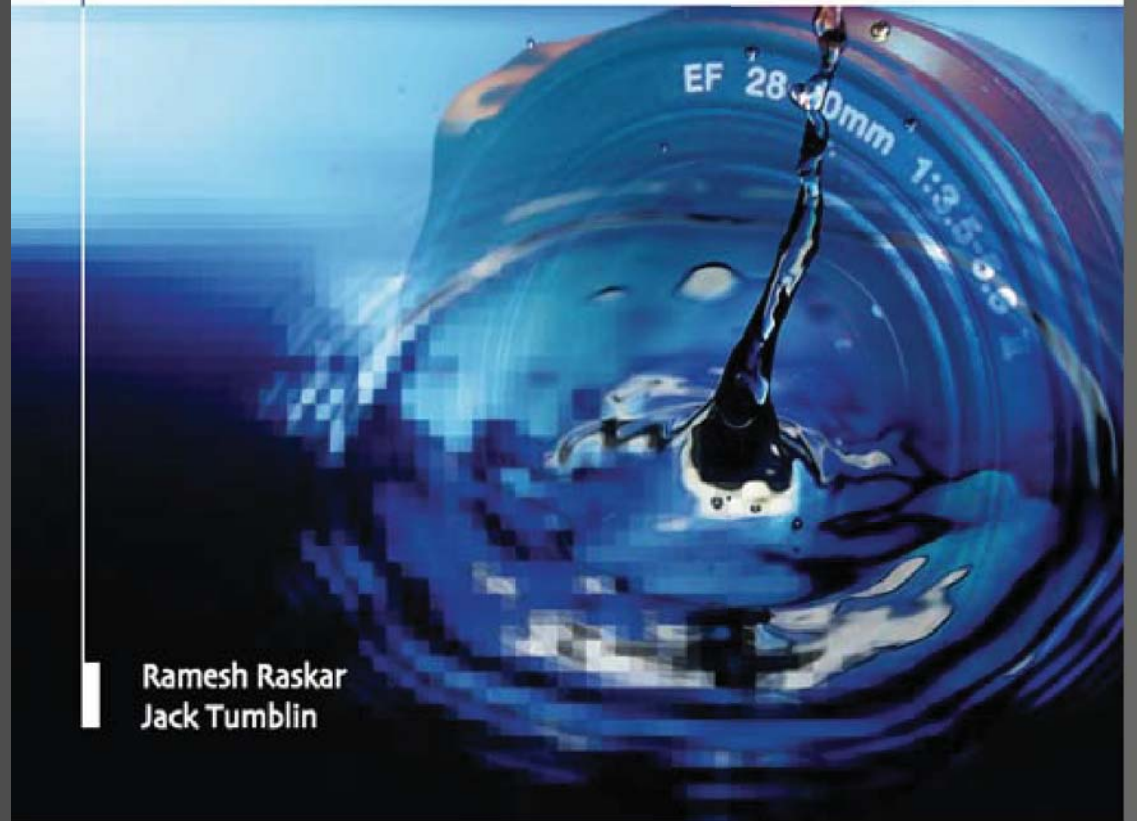
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Mastering New Techniques
for Lenses, Lighting, and Sensors

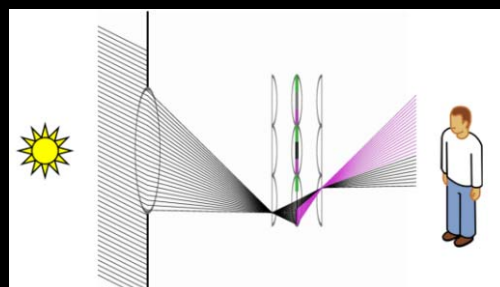
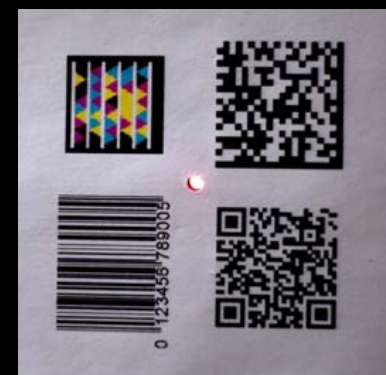
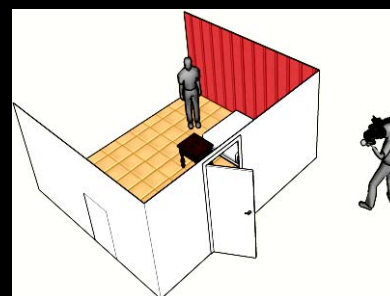
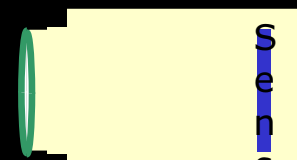
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Jack Tumblin



- Ramesh Raskar and Jack Tumblin
- Book Publishers: [A K Peters](#)
- [ComputationalPhotography.org](#)

Computational Photography Wish List

- Post-capture control
 - Emulate studio lights with compact flash
 - Focus and motion blur
- New forms
 - Flat camera, large LCDs as cameras
 - Image destabilization for larger aperture
- Understand the world
 - Real or fake
 - Place 2D photo into 3D
 - Look around corner
 - Bokode: long distance barcode
- Sharing
 - Lifelogs auto summary
 - Privacy/Verification
 - 6D photoframes
- Essence
 - New visual arts
 - Multi-flash camera
 - Delta-camera and Blind-camera



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