

Lecture 15 / 16:

Cameras & Lenses

Computer Graphics and Imaging
UC Berkeley CS184/284A

Art Competition #1 Results

Art Competition #1 – 3rd Place Winner



Riley Peterlinz & Tianchen Liu

Caption: In the Mood for Triangles

Approach: I did delaunay triangulation on the edges of the image and sampled the center colors of each triangle to get its color. Wrote some code that converts the triangles to an SVG format and plugged it into the rasterizer. Success!

Art Competition #1 – 2nd Place Winner

Annie Lin & Vivian Liu

Caption: Spot the Cow

Approach: We found out that this cow mesh was named Spot (created by Keenan Crane in 2012), so we decided to create a logo for CS 184 using Spot! We decided to go with a pixel art style to mimic the way we assume LCD pixels light up as a square of uniform color in this course. We exported the resulting artwork as an SVG file. After modifying some SVG code for compatibility, we ran it through the rasterizer.



Art Competition #1 – 1st Place Winner

Akhil Vemuri, Meiqi Sun



Caption: Low-poly, triangulated bird perched on a tree branch

Approach: For our art submission, we drew a low-poly, triangulated image of a bird sitting on a tree. While we extracted the initial pixel matrix from an image Google, we used our own script from scratch to procedurally generate it.

Rendering with Realistic Camera Model



Credit: Bertrand Benoit. "Sweet Feast," 2009. [Blender /VRay]

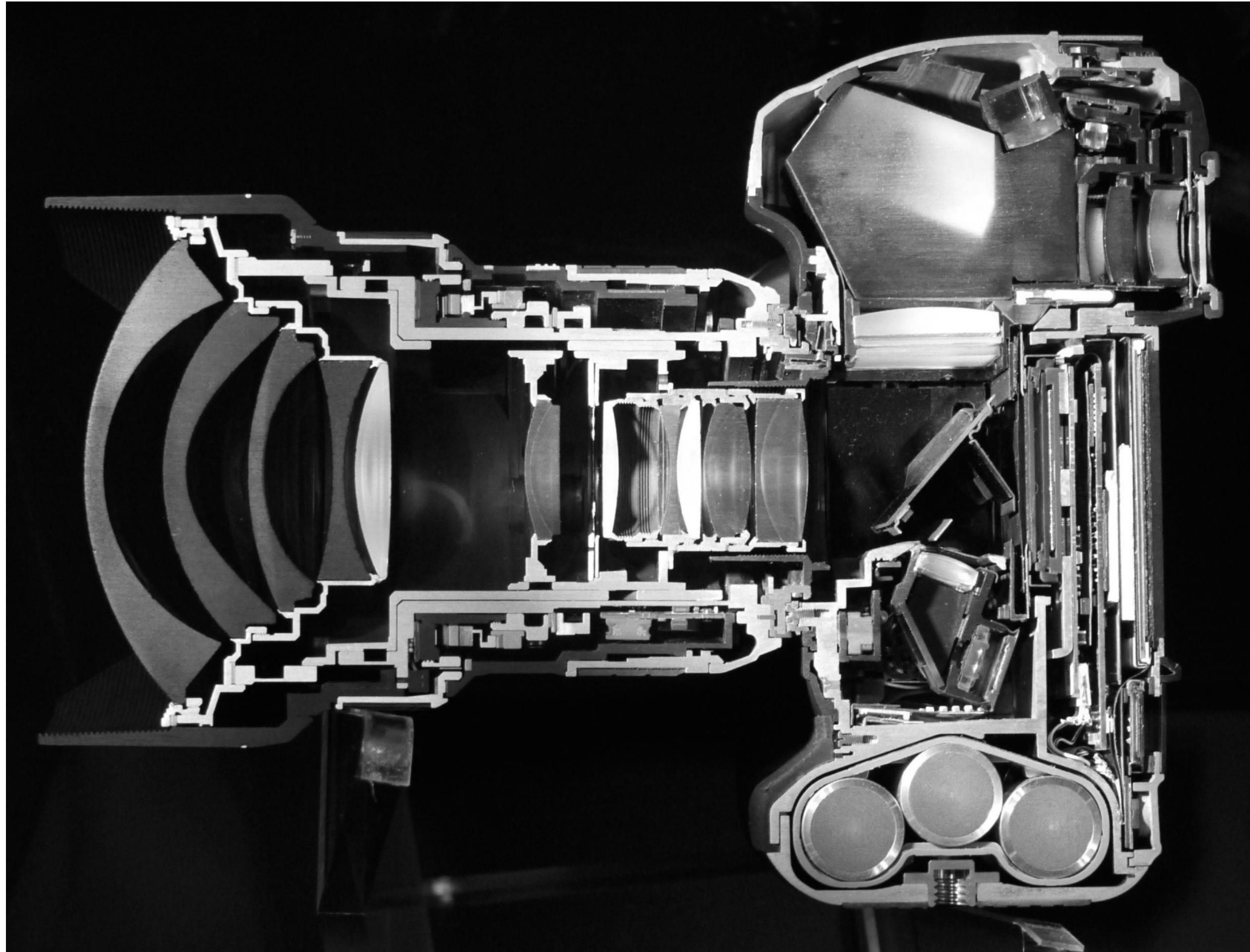
Rendering with Realistic Camera Model



Credit: Giuseppe Albergo. "Colibri" [Blender]

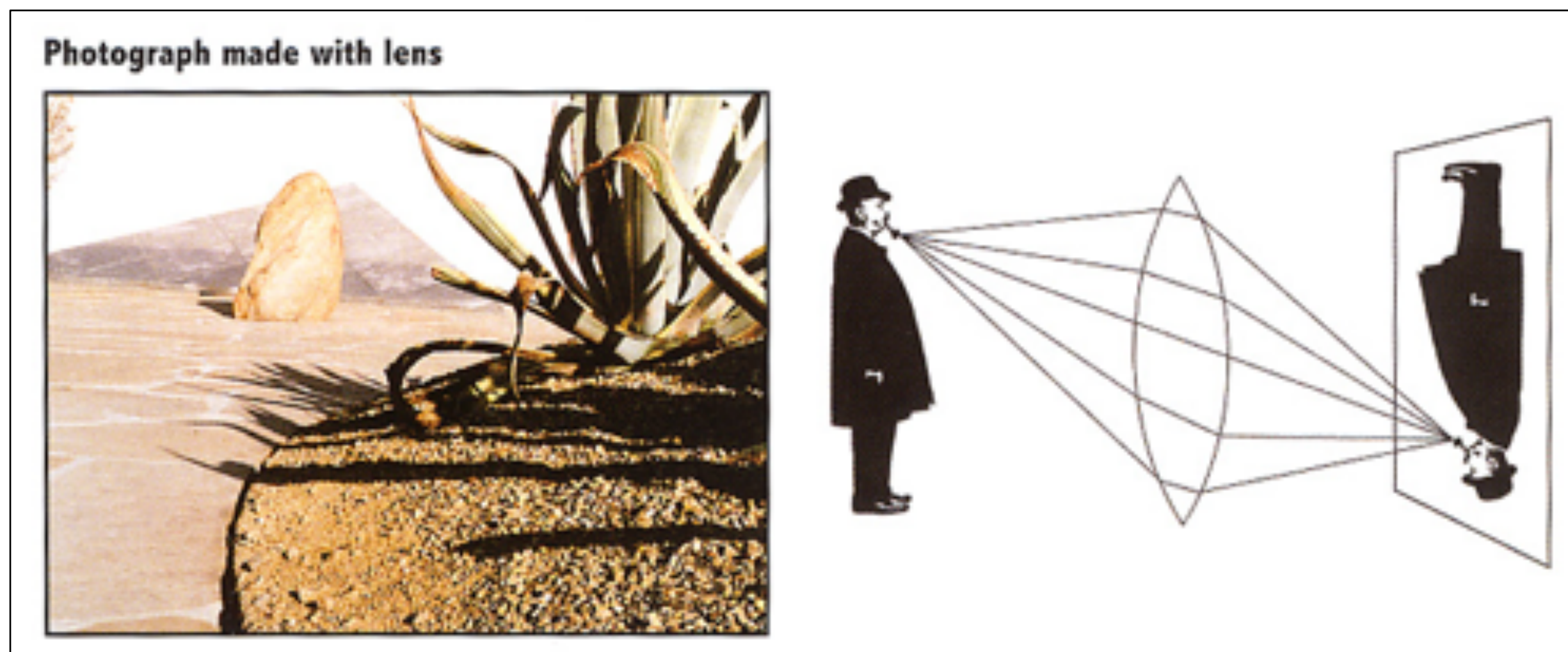
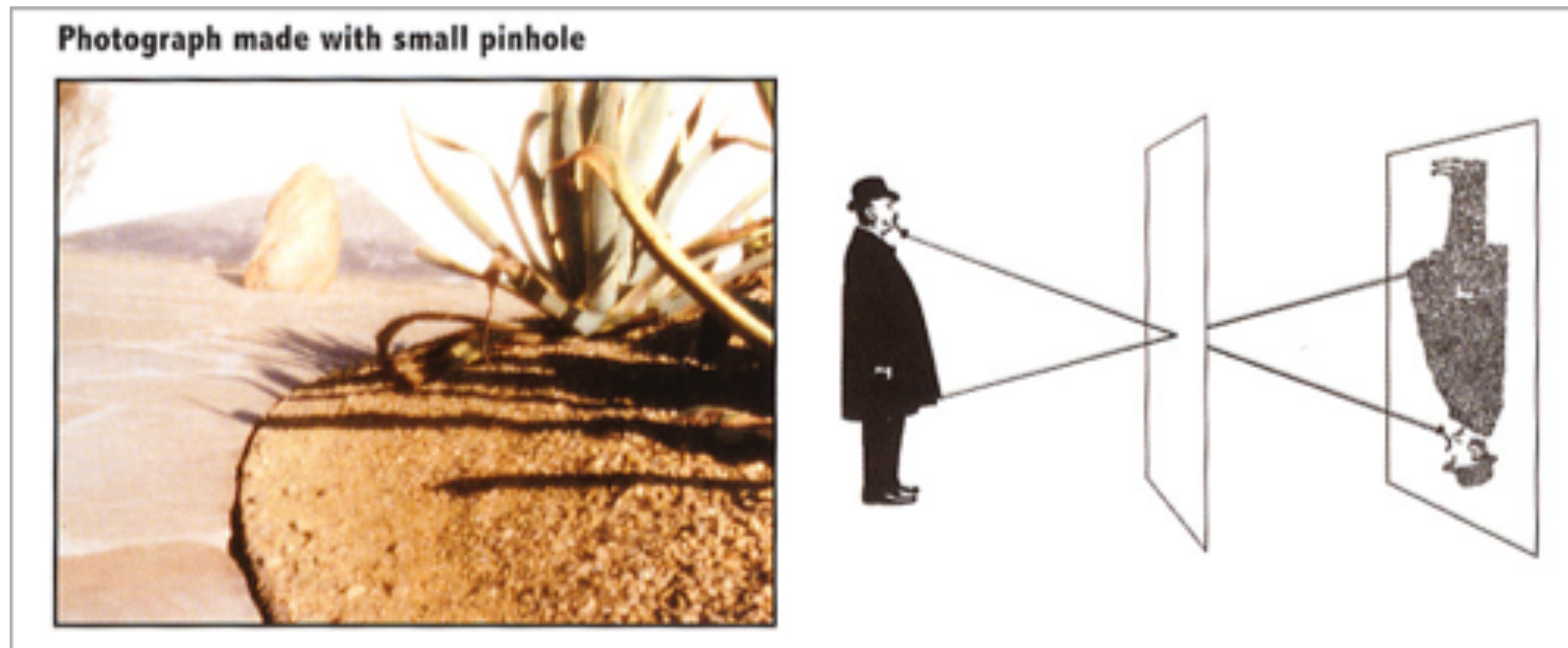
Image Capture Overview

What's Happening Inside the Camera?



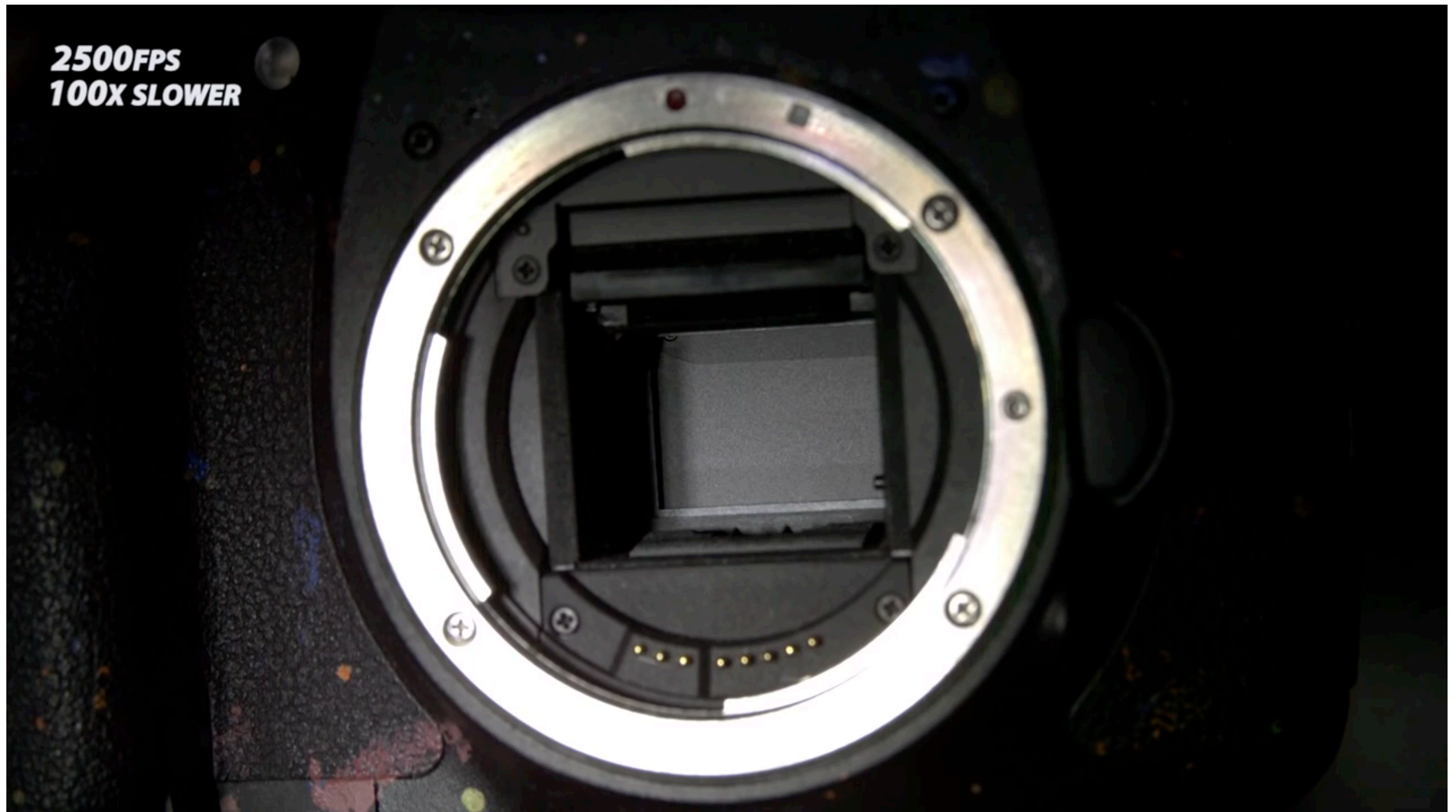
Cross-section of Nikon D3, 14-24mm F2.8 lens

Pinholes & Lenses Form Image on Sensor



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Shutter Exposes Sensor For Precise Duration



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

Sensor Accumulates Irradiance During Exposure

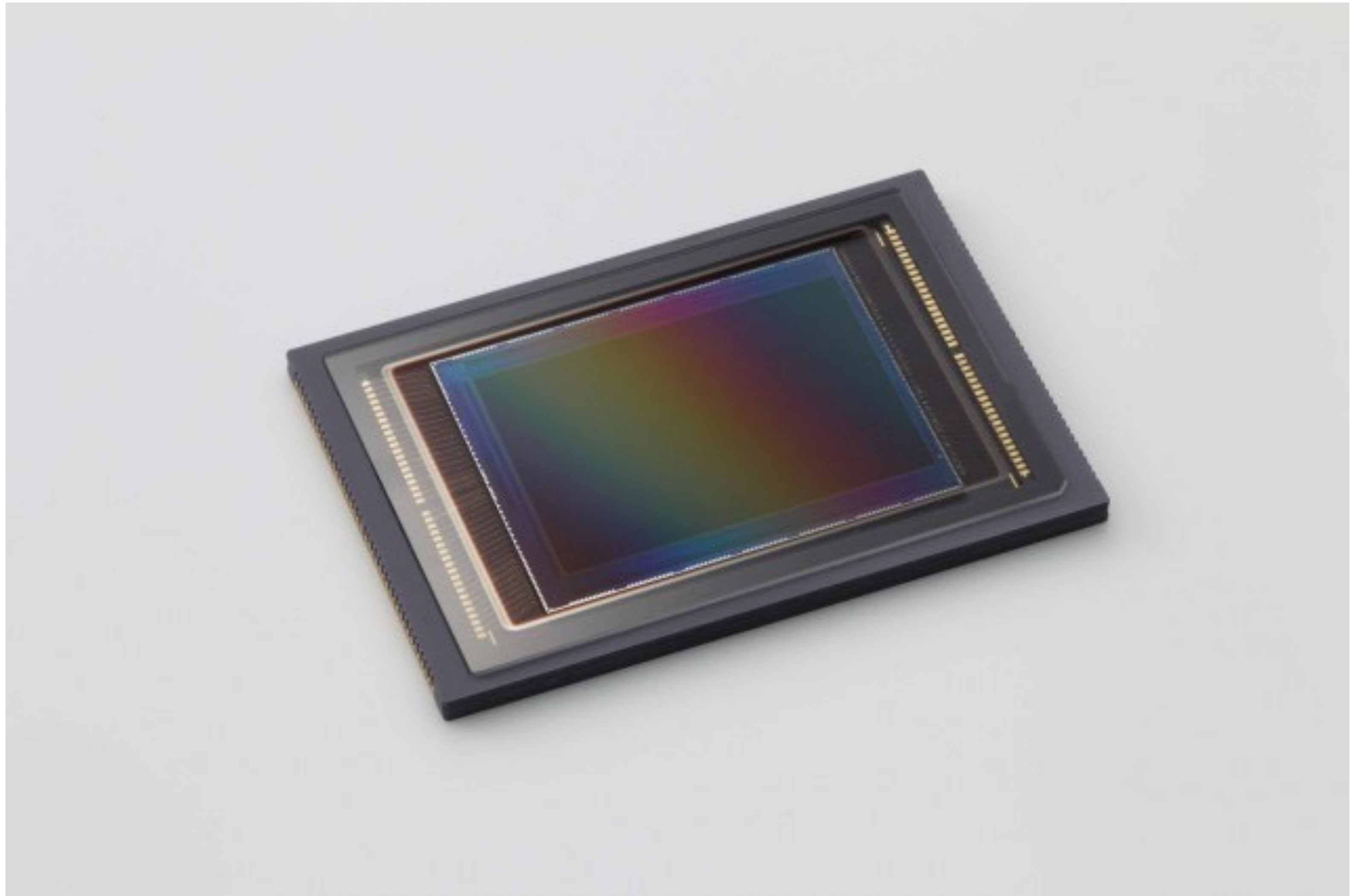
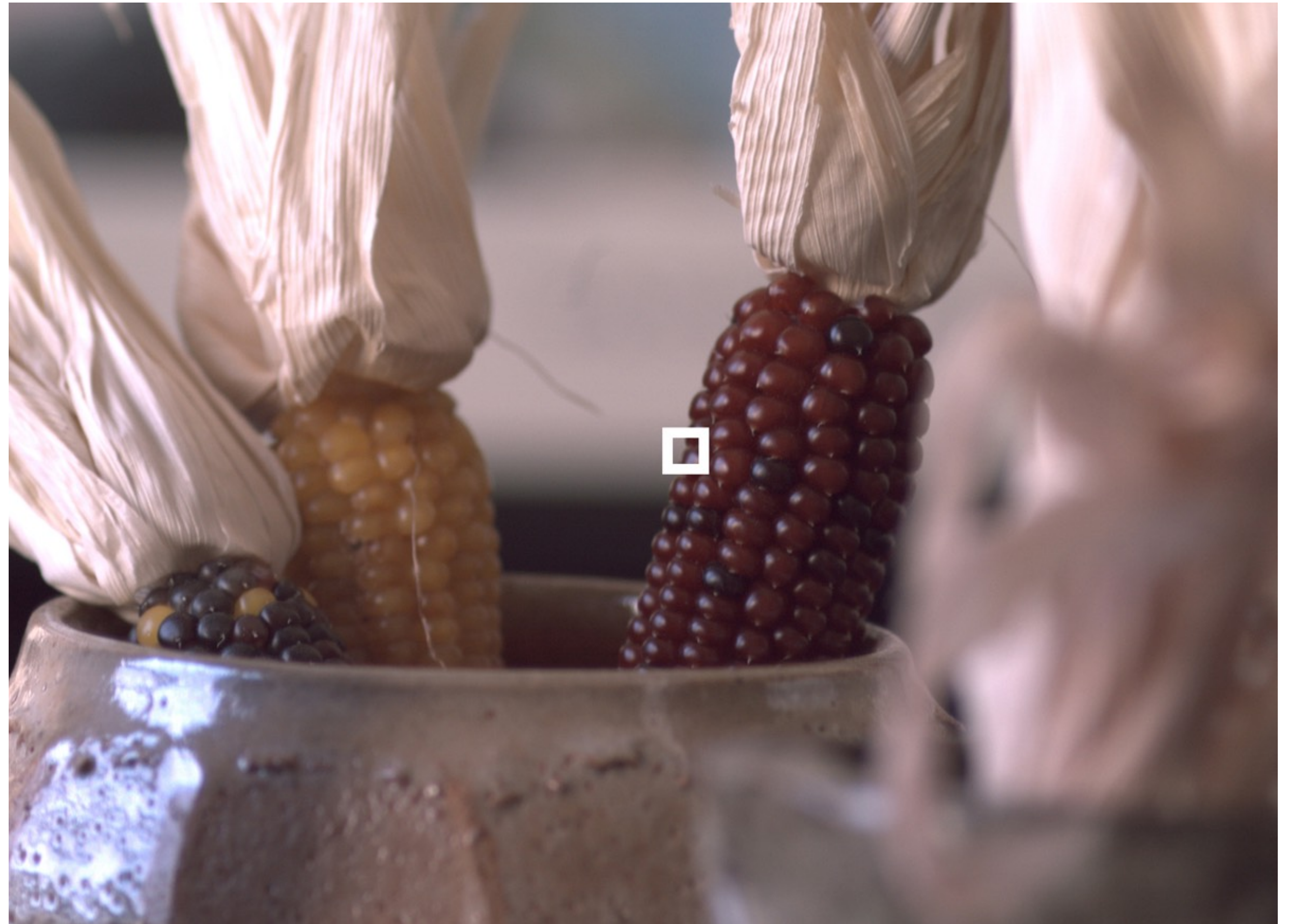
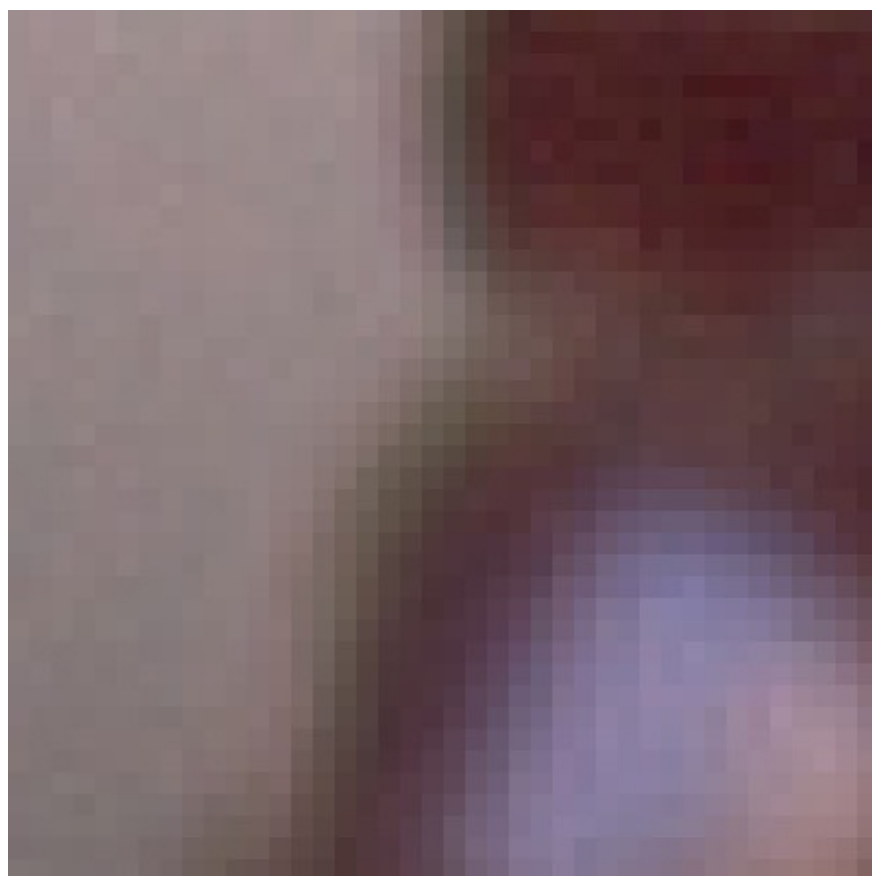
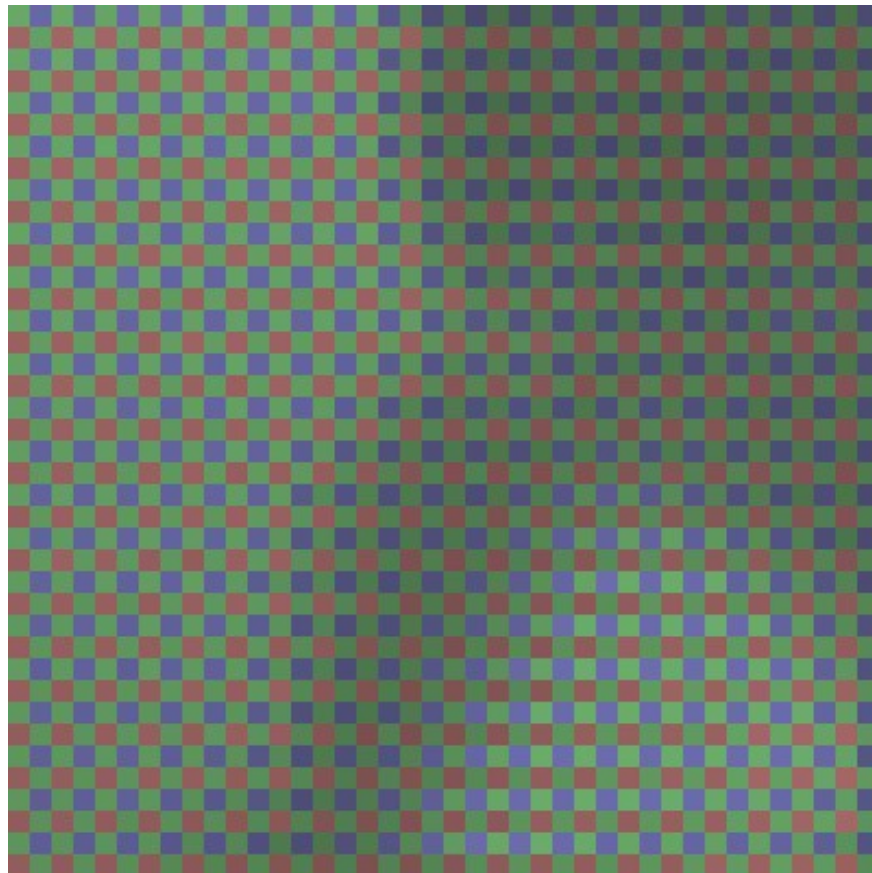


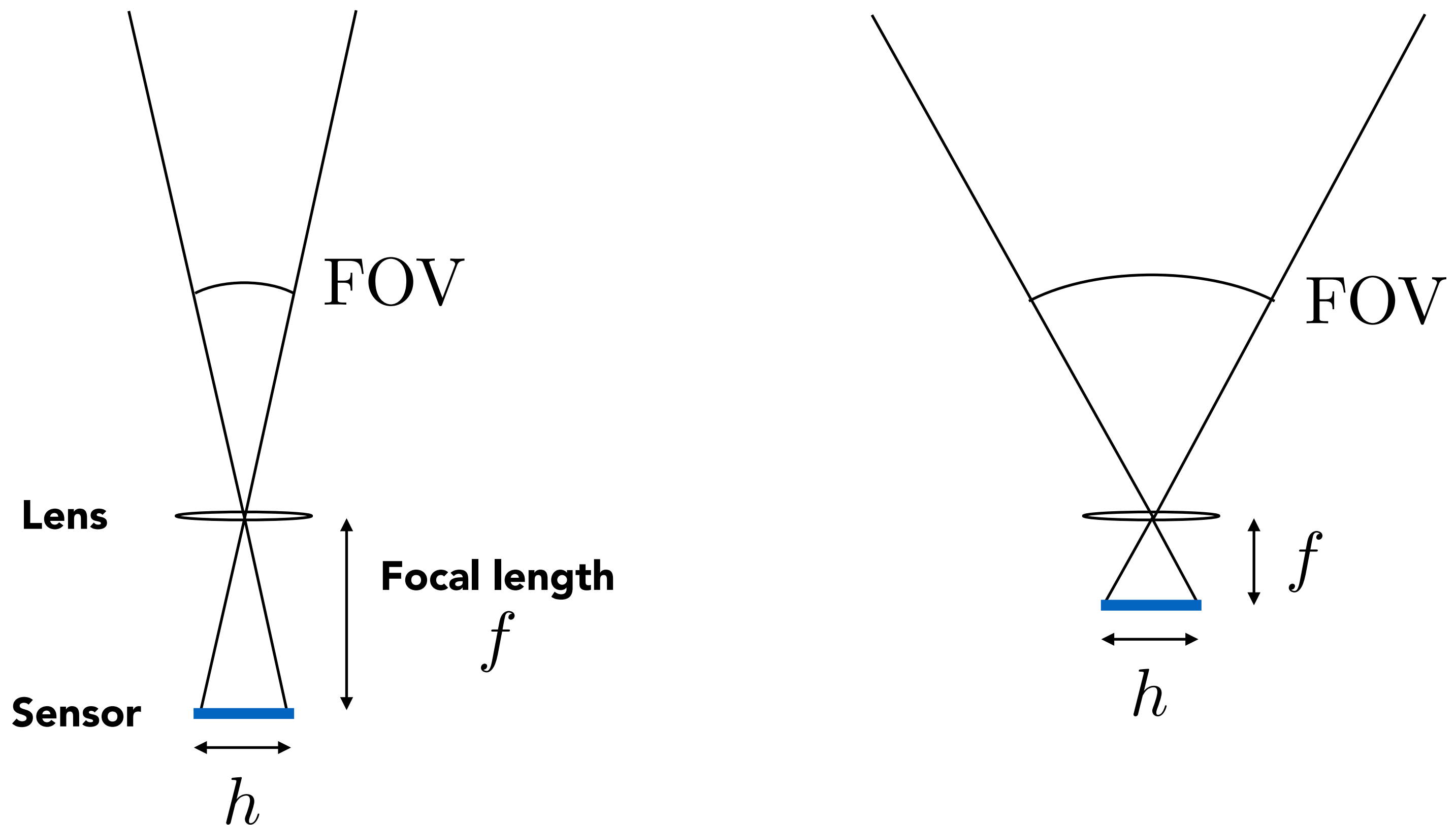
Image Processing: From Sensor Values to Image



Optics of Image Formation:

Field of View

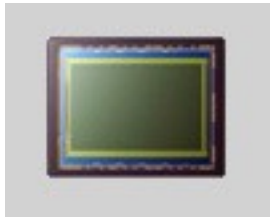
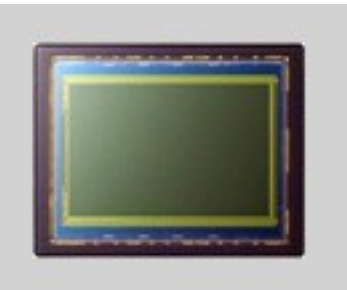
Effect of Focal Length on FOV



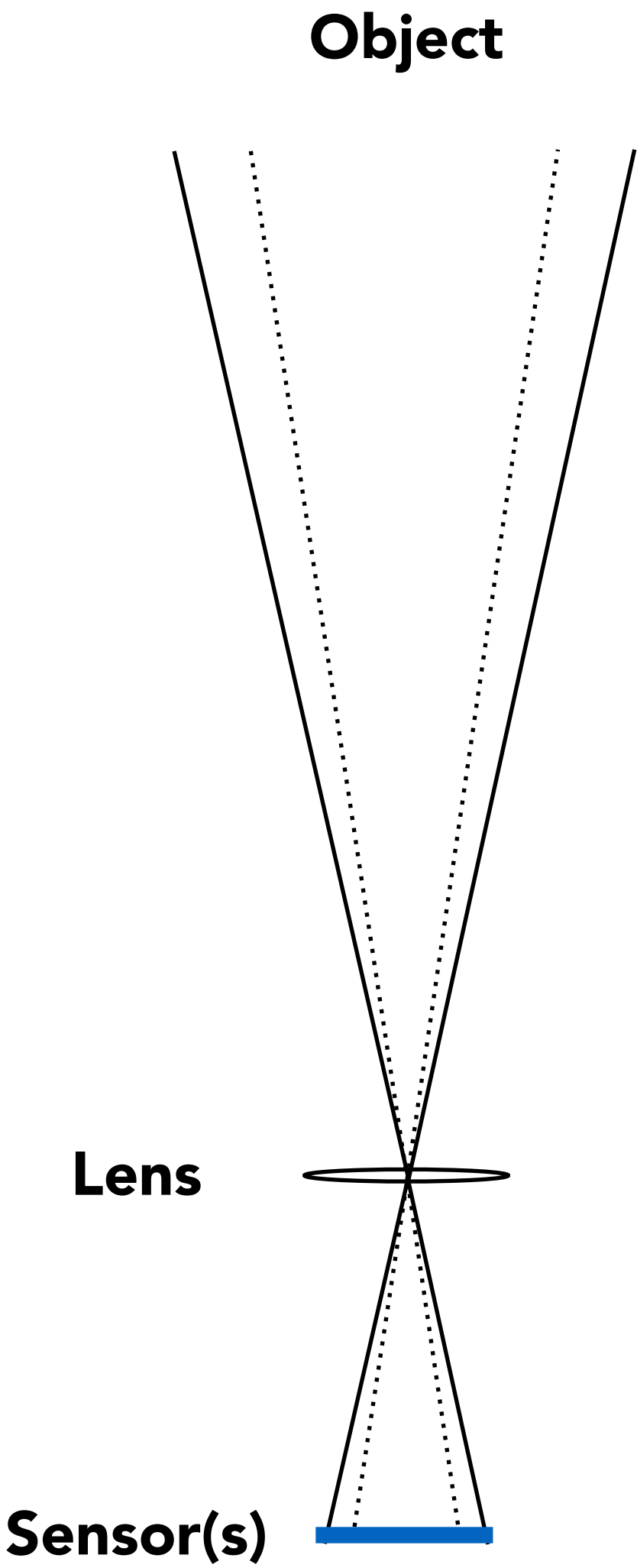
For a fixed sensor size, decreasing the focal length increases the field of view.

$$\text{FOV} = 2 \arctan \left(\frac{h}{2f} \right)$$

Effect of Sensor Size on FOV



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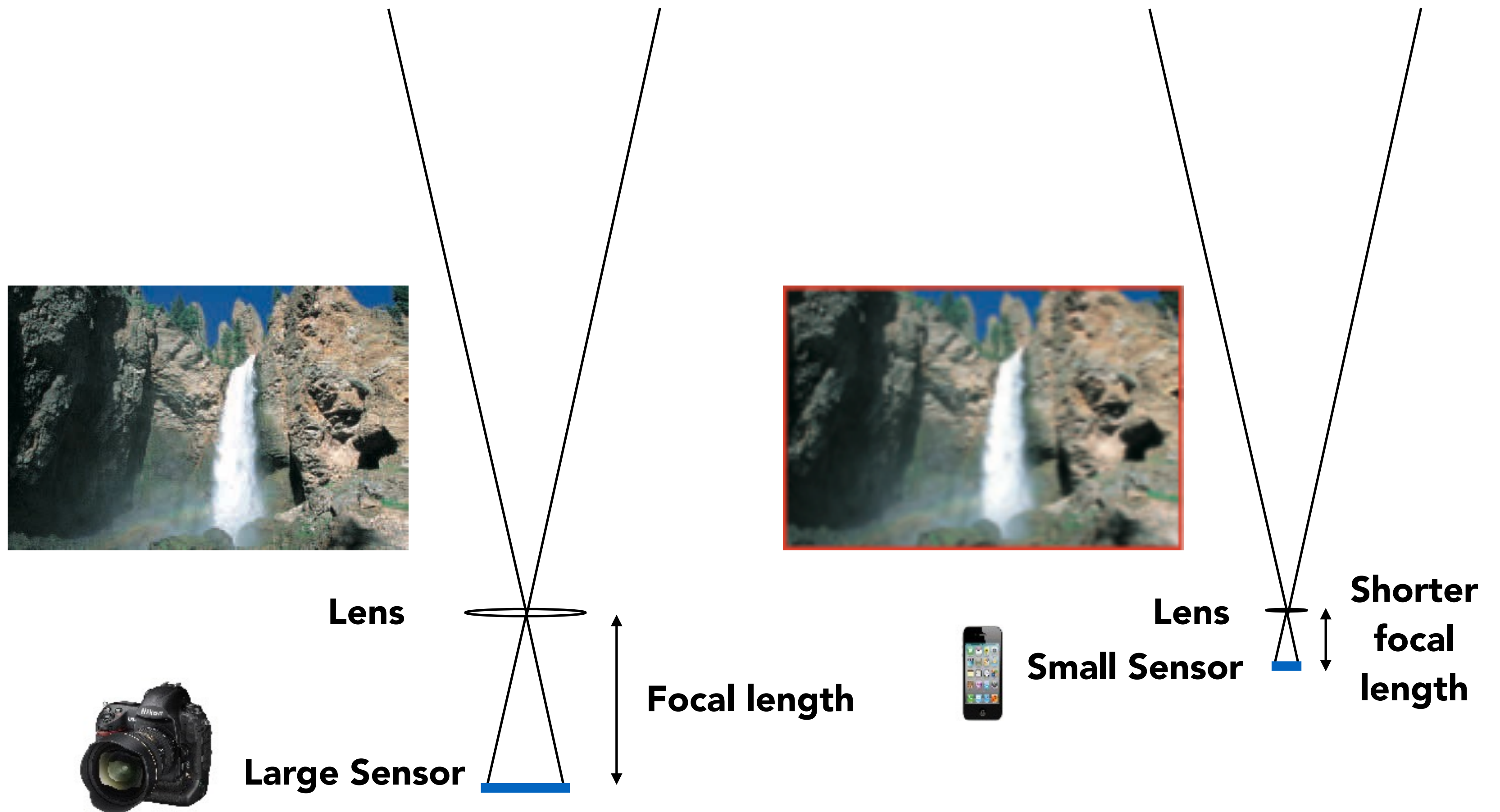
Sensor Sizes

Sensor Name	Medium Format	Full Frame	APS-H	APS-C	4/3	1"	1/1.63"	1/2.3"	1/3.2"
Sensor Size	53.7 x 40.2mm	36 x 23.9mm	27.9x18.6mm	23.6x15.8mm	17.3x13mm	13.2x8.8mm	8.38x5.59mm	6.16x4.62mm	4.54x3.42mm
Sensor Area	21.59 cm ²	8.6 cm ²	5.19 cm ²	3.73 cm ²	2.25 cm ²	1.16 cm ²	0.47 cm ²	0.28 cm ²	0.15 cm ²
Crop Factor	0.64	1.0	1.29	1.52	2.0	2.7	4.3	5.62	7.61
Image									
Example									



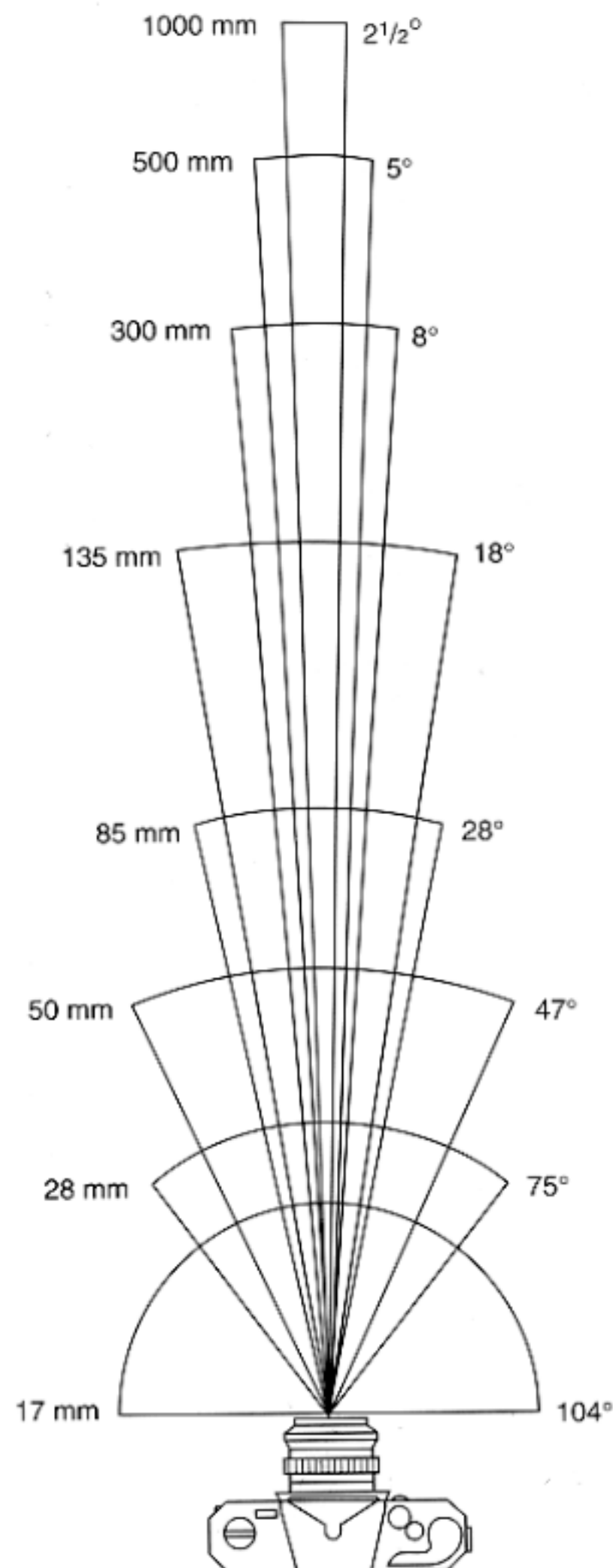
Credit: lensvid.com

Maintain FOV on Smaller Sensor?



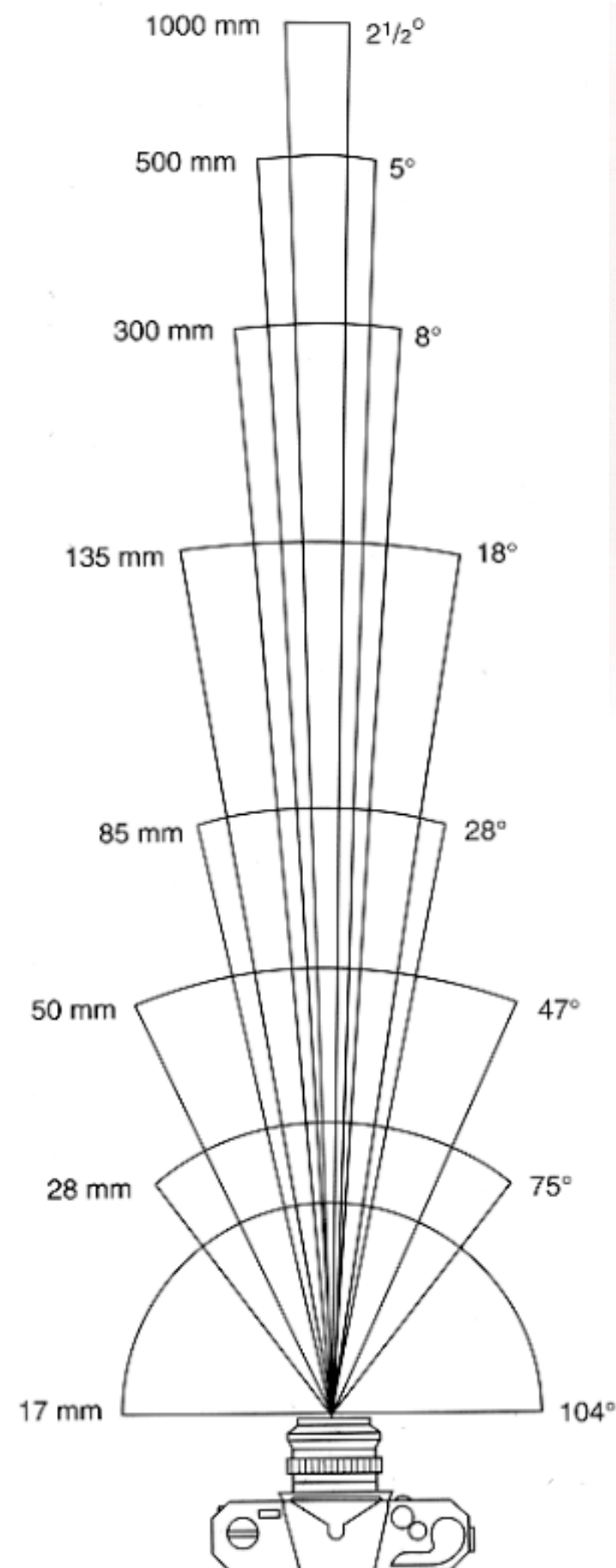
To maintain FOV, decrease focal length of lens
in proportion to width/height of sensor

Focal Length v. Field of View



- For historical reasons, it is common to refer to angular field of view by focal length of a lens used on a 35mm-format film (36 x 24mm)
- Examples of focal lengths on 35mm format:
 - 17mm is wide angle 104°
 - 50mm is a "normal" lens 47°
 - 200mm is telephoto lens 12°
- Careful! When we say current cell phones have approximately 28mm "equivalent" focal length, this uses the above convention. The physical focal length is often 5-6 times shorter, because the sensor is correspondingly smaller

Focal Length v. Field of View



15mm (fisheye)



14mm



25mm

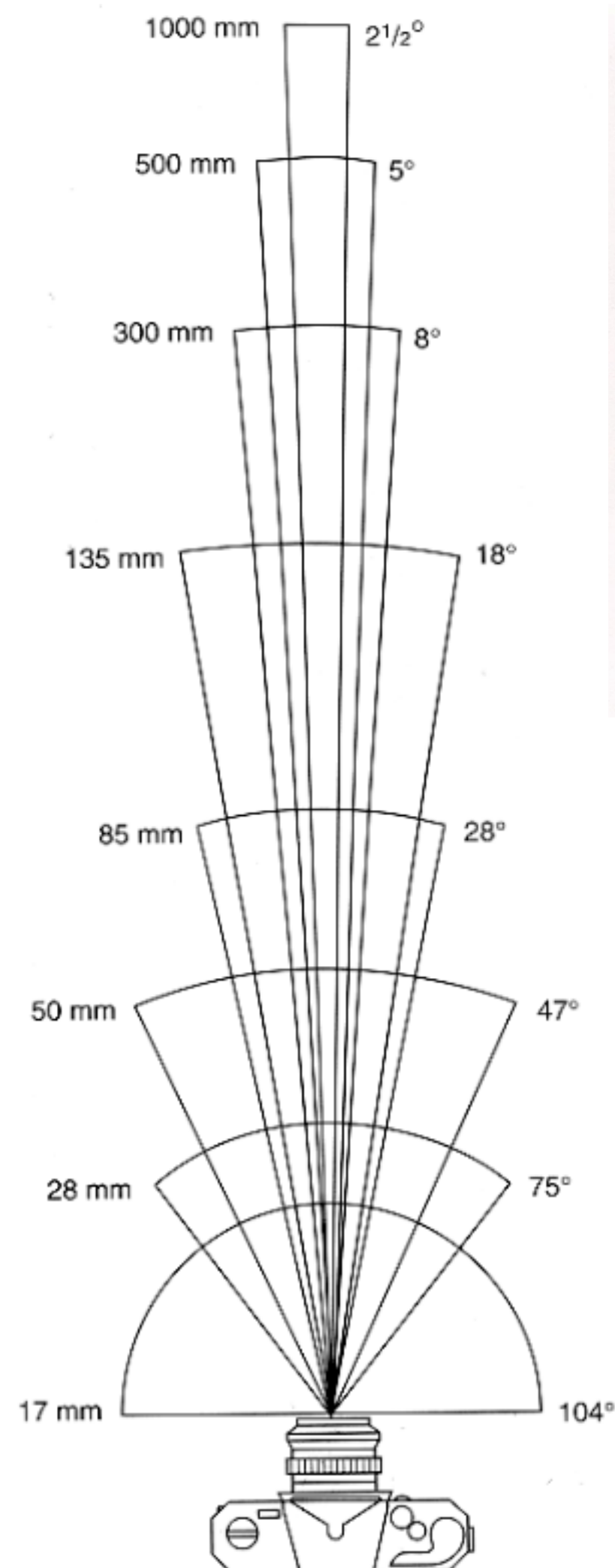


24mm



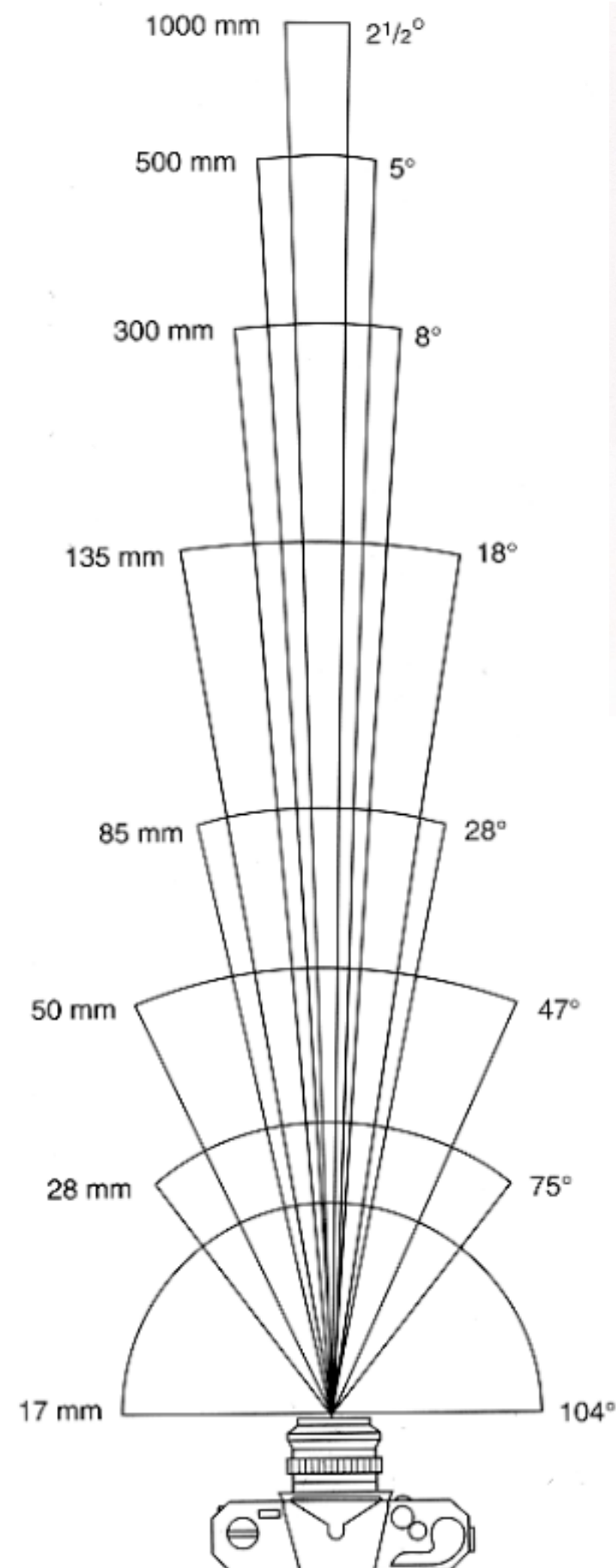
From London and Upton, and Canon EF Lens Work III

Focal Length v. Field of View



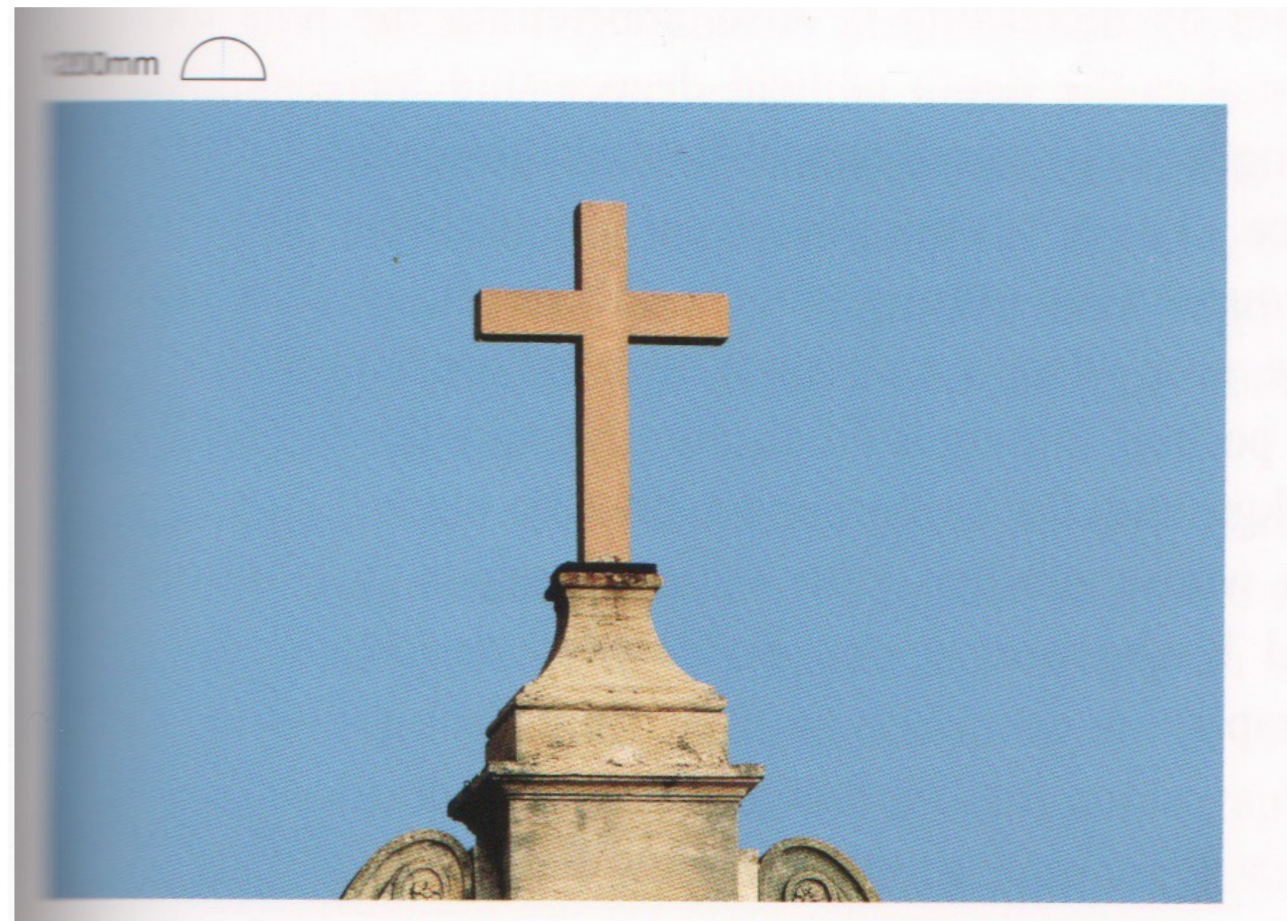
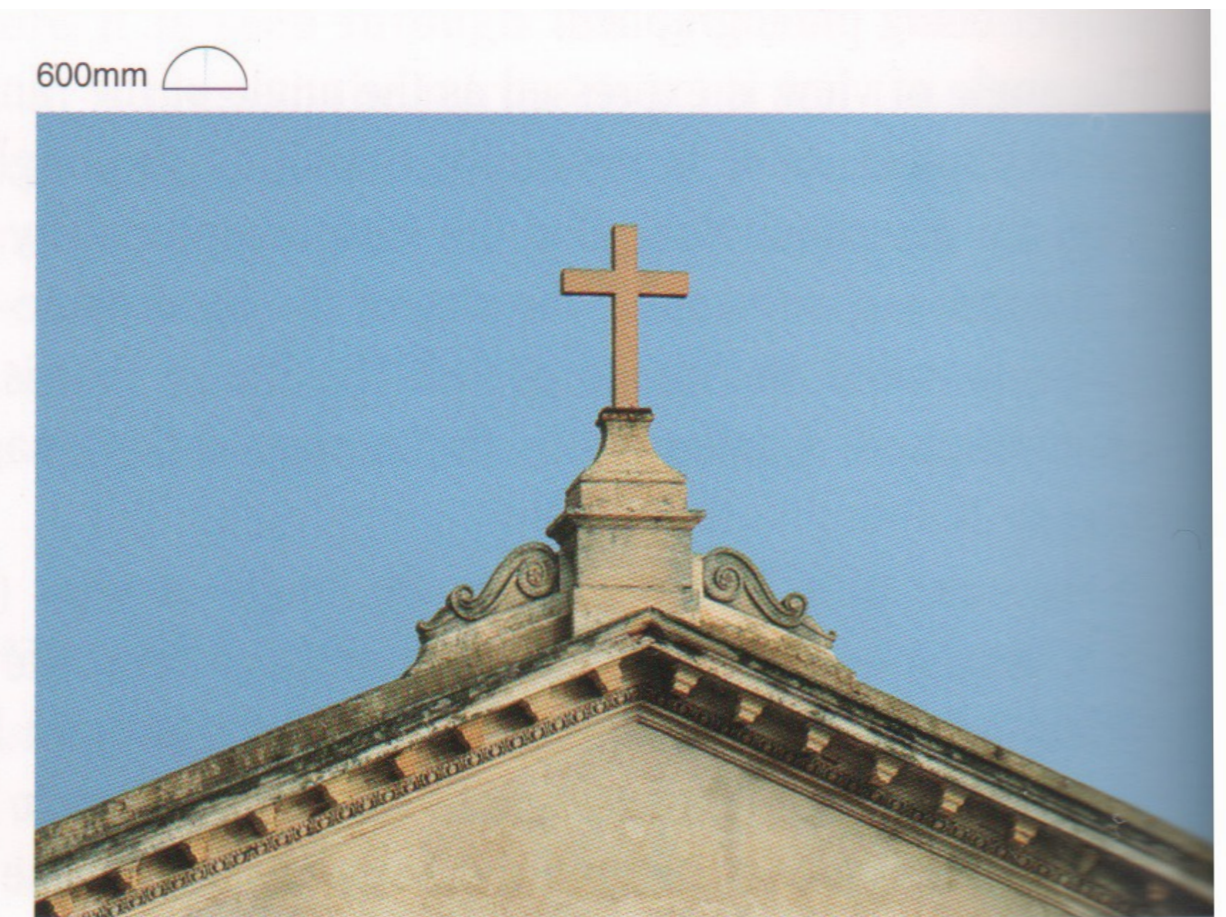
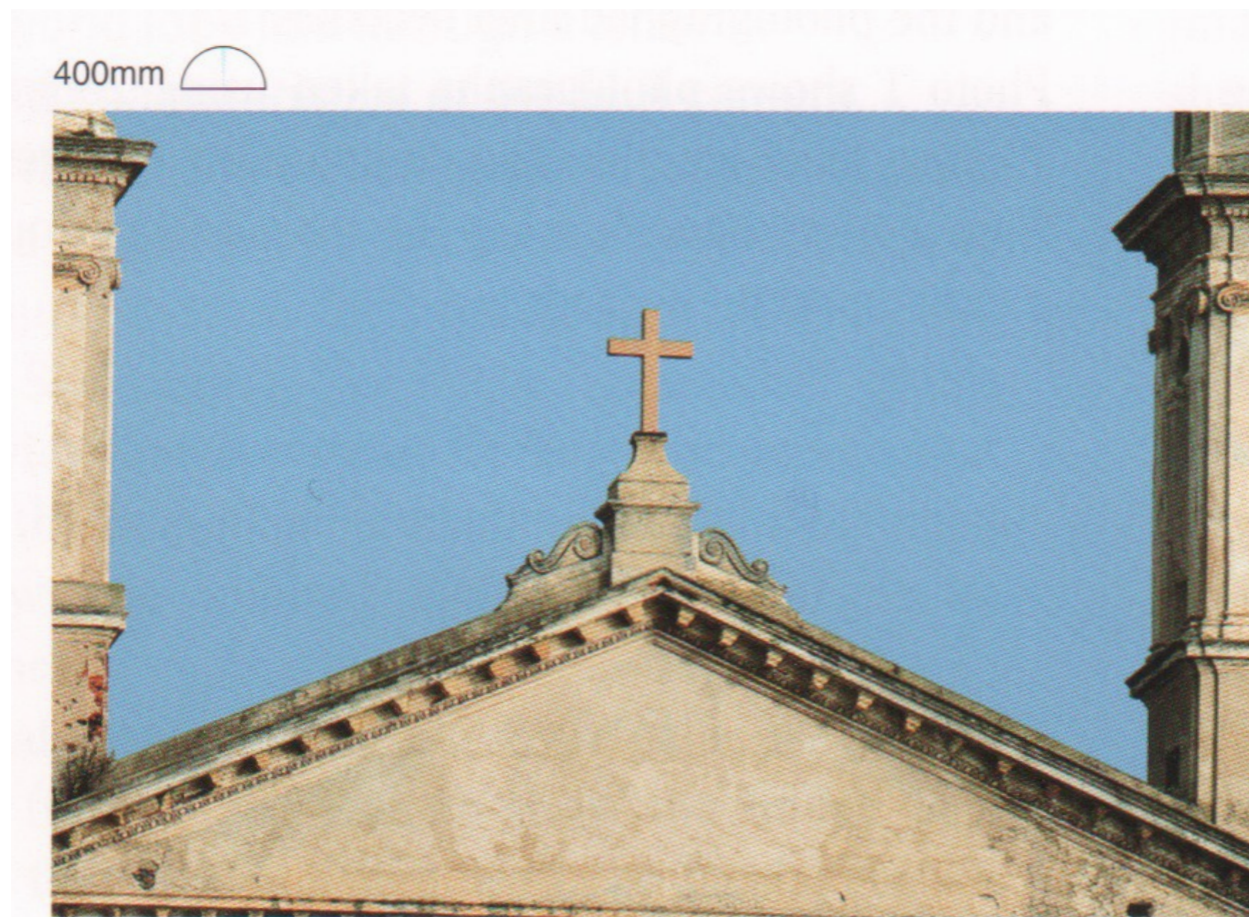
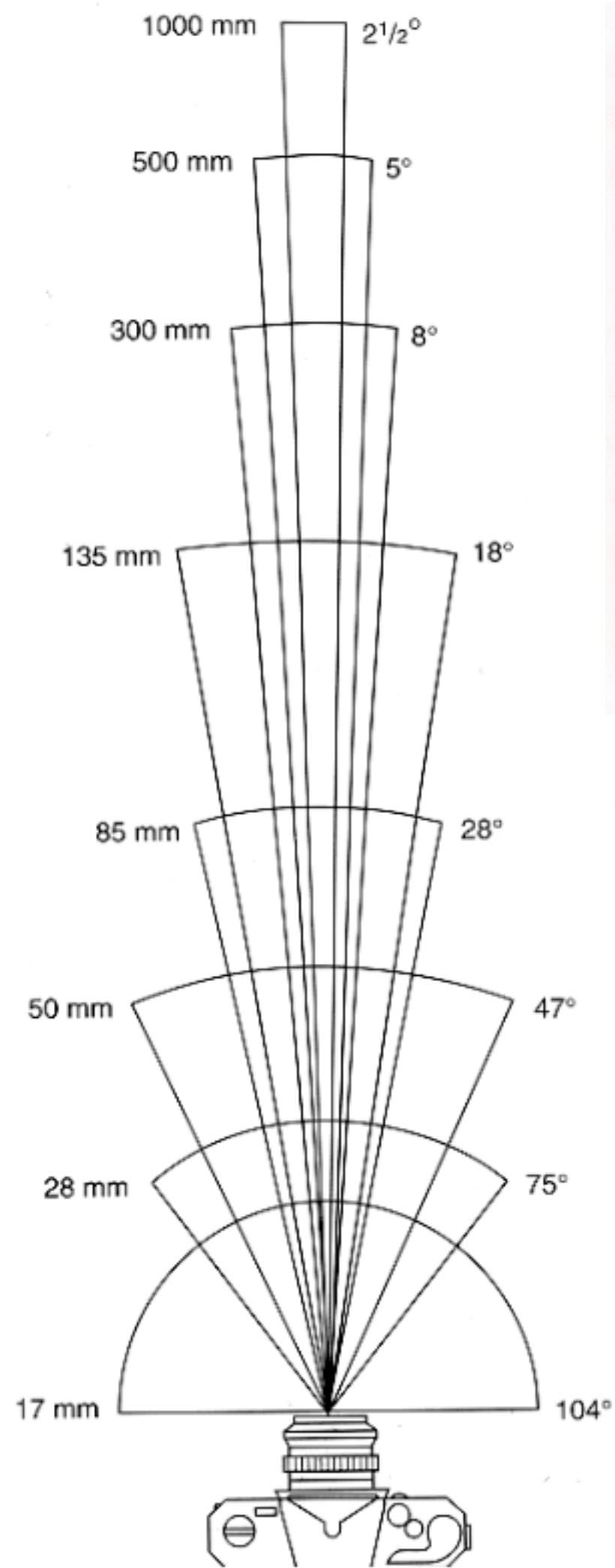
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Focal Length v. Field of View



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Wide angle: 15mm, f/2.8



Wide angle: 18mm, 1/750, f/8



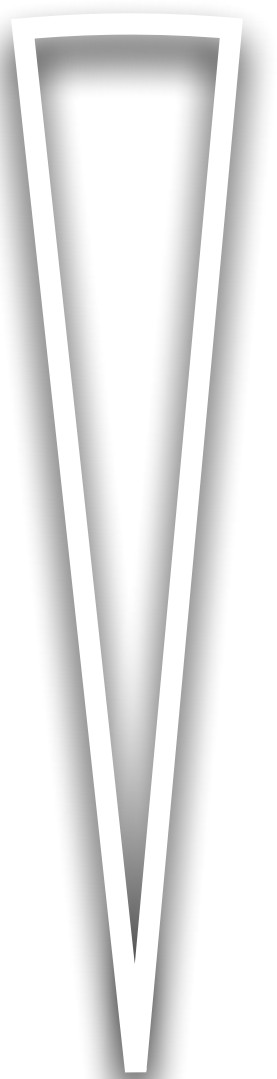
Normal: 50mm, 1/80, f/1.4



Normal: 64mm, 1/3200, f/2.8



Telephoto: 150mm, 1/640, f/1.8



Telephoto: 200mm, 1/200, f/2.8



Telephoto: 420mm, 1/1600, f/4



Telephoto: 420mm, 1.0s, f/4

Perspective Composition (Photographer's Mindset)

Perspective Composition – Camera Position / Focal Length



16 mm

In this sequence, distance from subject increases with focal length to maintain image size of human subject.

Notice the dramatic change in background perspective.

From Canon EF Lens Work III

Perspective Composition – Camera Position / Focal Length



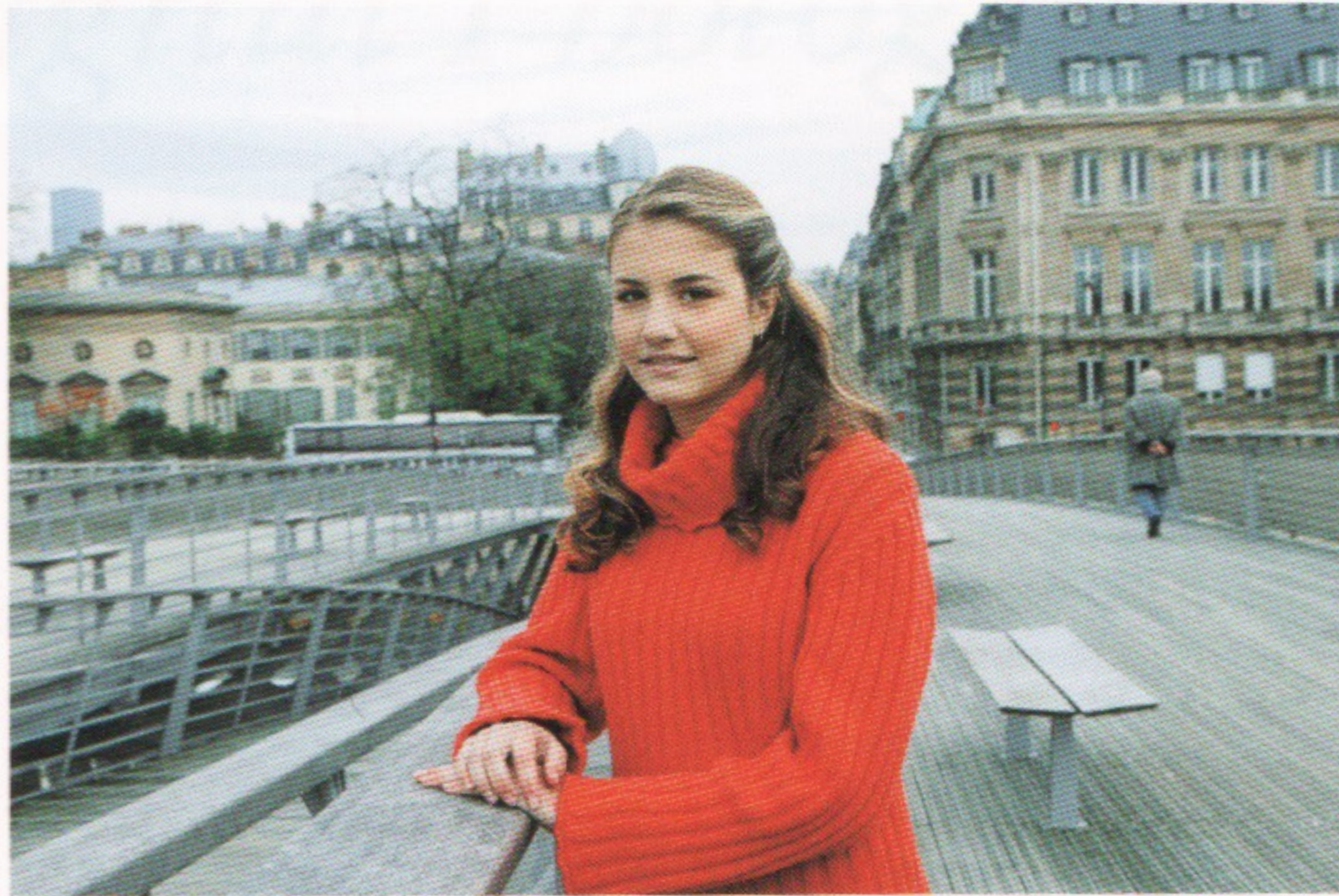
24 mm

In this sequence, distance from subject increases with focal length to maintain image size of human subject.

Notice the dramatic change in background perspective.

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Perspective Composition – Camera Position / Focal Length



50 mm

In this sequence, distance from subject increases with focal length to maintain image size of human subject.

Notice the dramatic change in background perspective.

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Perspective Composition – Camera Position / Focal Length



135 mm

In this sequence, distance from subject increases with focal length to maintain image size of human subject.

Notice the dramatic change in background perspective.

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Perspective Composition – Camera Position / Focal Length



200 mm

In this sequence, distance from subject increases with focal length to maintain image size of human subject.

Notice the dramatic change in background perspective.

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Perspective Composition – Camera Position / Focal Length

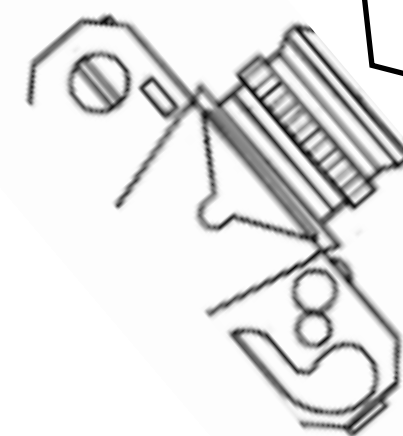
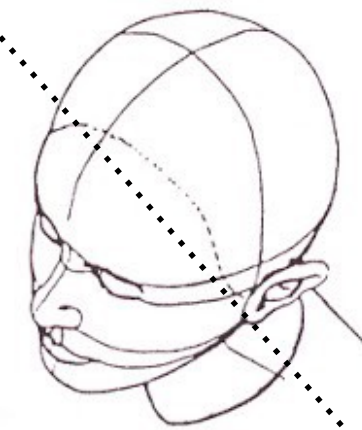


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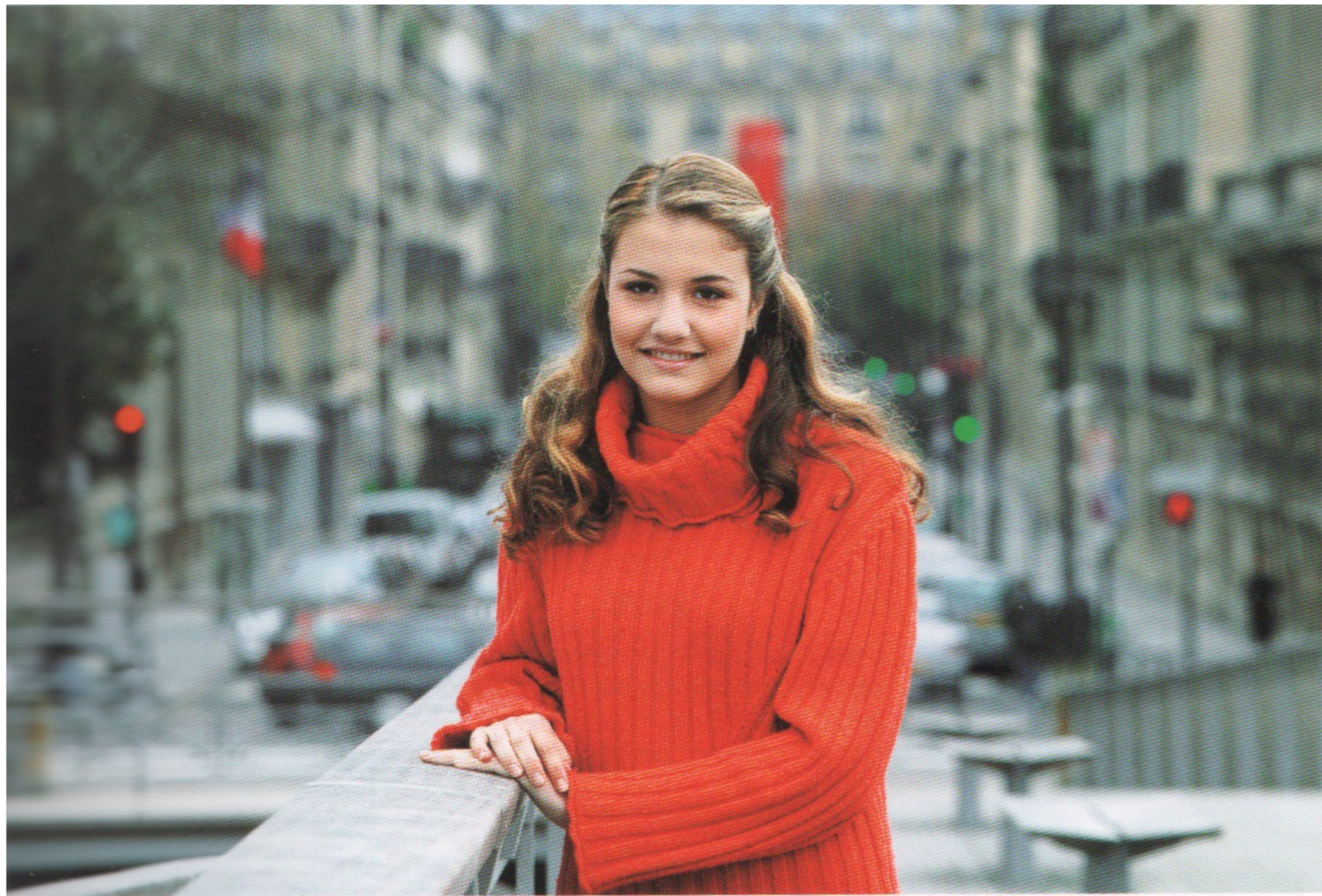
Perspective Composition



16 mm (110°)

Up close and zoomed wide
with short focal length

Perspective Composition



200 mm (12°)

Walk back and zoom in
with long focal length

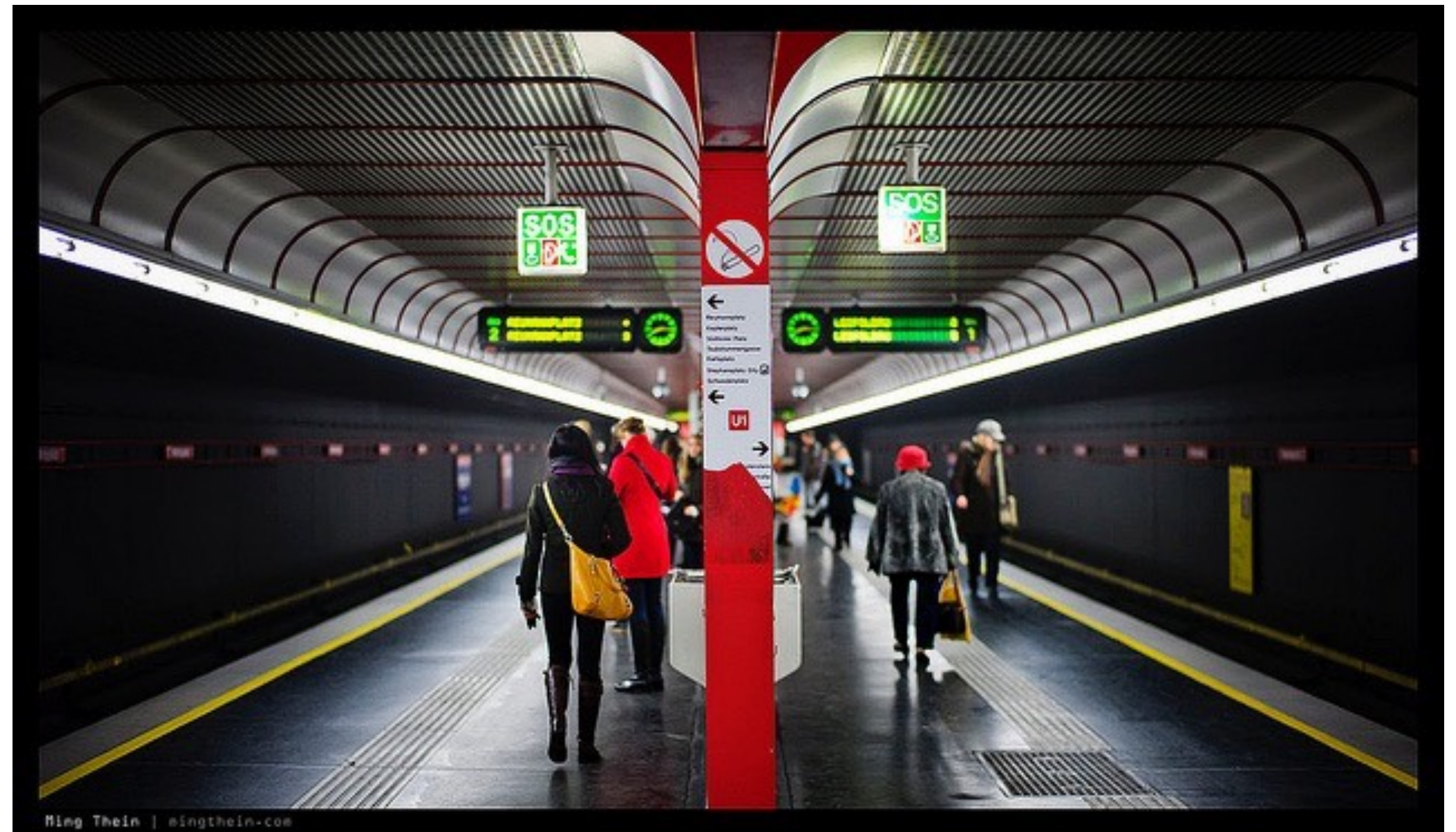
Dolly-Zoom Cinema Technique – a.k.a. “Vertigo Effect”



MOVIECLIPS.COM

By Steven Spielberg in "Jaws" 1975

A Photographer's Mindset



“Choose your perspective before
you choose your lens.”

— Ming Thein, mingthein.com

Improve Your Own Photography

Tip 1: Make sure you have a strong subject

- **Make it prominent, e.g. 1/3 of your image**

Tip 2: Choose a good perspective relationship (relative size) between your subject and background (or foreground)

- **Complement, don't compete with the subject**

Tip 3: Change the zoom and camera distance to your subject

- **Implement: actively zoom, and move your camera in/out**
- **Even works with your smartphone!**

Exposure

Exposure Levels - "Stops" are Logarithmic



- Here, different exposure levels with ± 1 "stop" of exposure
- In photography, a "stop" = a doubling of exposure
- The natural, perceptual scale of exposure is logarithmic

Exposure

- **Exposure = irradiance x time x gain**
- **Irradiance**
 - **Power of light falling on image sensor pixel**
 - **Affected by scene brightness, pixel size, lens aperture...**
- **Exposure time**
 - **Duration that the image sensor exposed to light**
 - **Affected by shutter opening / closing**
- **Gain**
 - **Amplification of sensor pixel values**
 - **Affected by pixel-value amplifiers in image sensor**

Exposure Controls: Aperture, Shutter, Gain (ISO)

Aperture

- **Change the lens f-stop by opening / closing its physical aperture (if lens has iris control)**

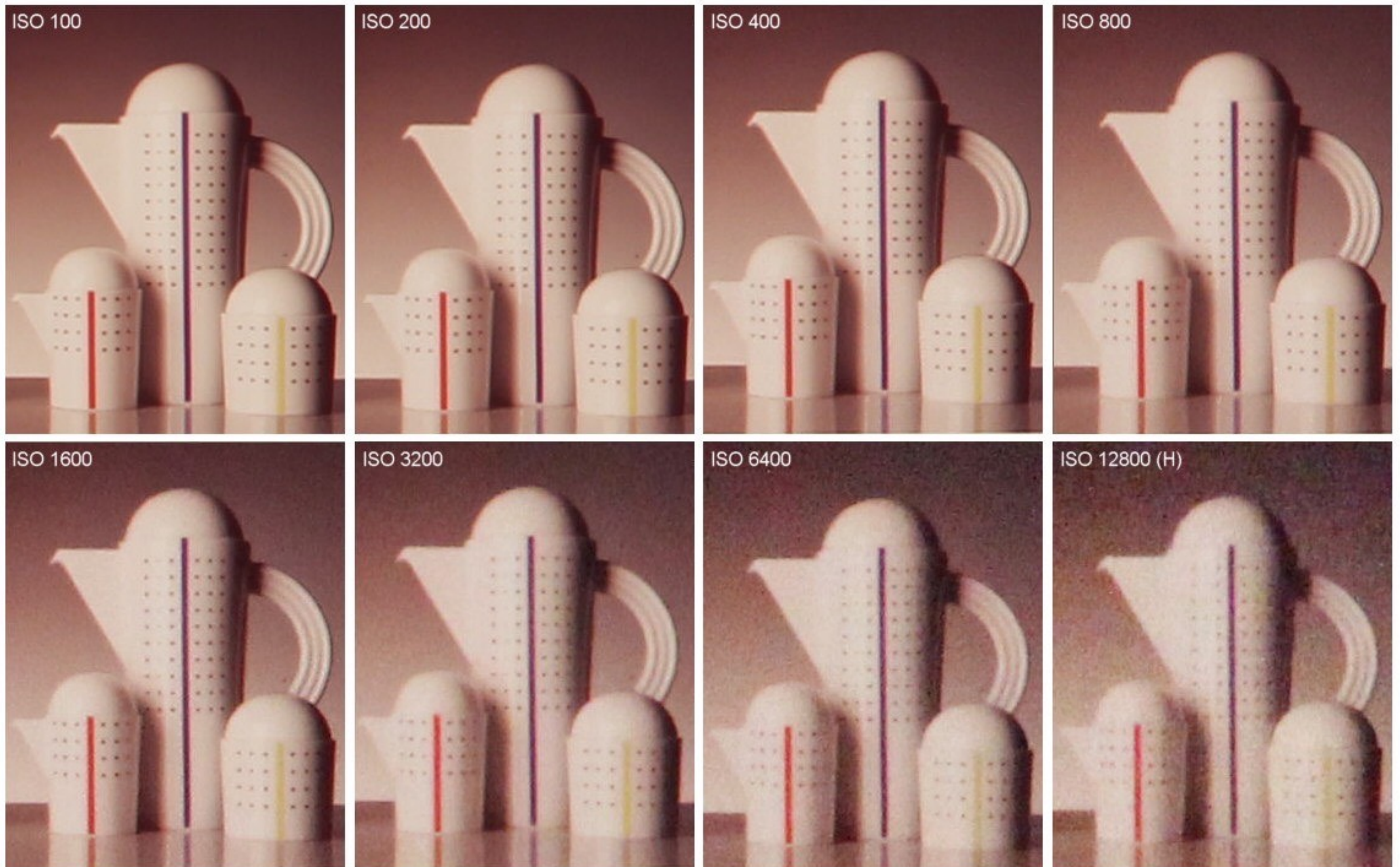
Shutter speed

- **Change the duration that the sensor pixels are integrating light (physical or electronic shutter)**

ISO gain

- **Change the system amplification between sensor values and digital image values**

Gain (ISO) — Noise Increases



Credit: bobatkins.com

CS184/284A **Note: trend is same in current sensors, but much less noise!** **Ng & O'Brien**

ISO (Gain)

Image sensor: trade sensitivity for noise

- Multiply signal before analog-to-digital conversion
- Linear effect (ISO 200 needs half the light as ISO 100)
- Typically, set gain to lowest value that works for the scene light level, to minimize noise

Many Ways to Achieve the Same Exposure

Have multiple ways to adjust aperture, shutter, gain to achieve a desired exposure

Example: all the following pairs of aperture and shutter give equivalent exposure (not same image, though!)

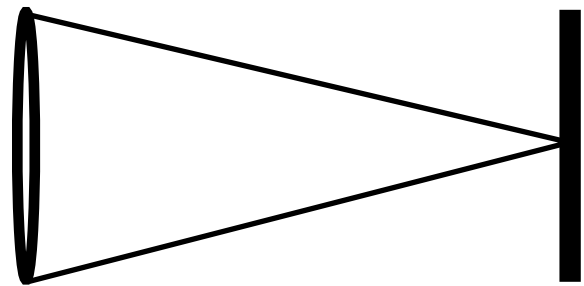
F-Stop	1.4	2.0	2.8	4.0	5.6	8.0	11.0	16.0	22.0	32.0
Shutter	1/500	1/250	1/125	1/60	1/30	1/15	1/8	1/4	1/2	1

If the exposure is too bright/dark, may need to adjust f-stop and/or shutter up/down.

Definition: F-Number of a Lens

- The F-Number of a lens is defined as the focal length divided by the diameter of the aperture
- Common F-stops on real lenses: 1.4, 2, 2.8, 4.0, 5.6, 8, 11, 16, 22, 32
- 1 stop doubles exposure
- Notation: an f-stop of, e.g. 2 is sometimes written $f/2$, or F:2 or F2

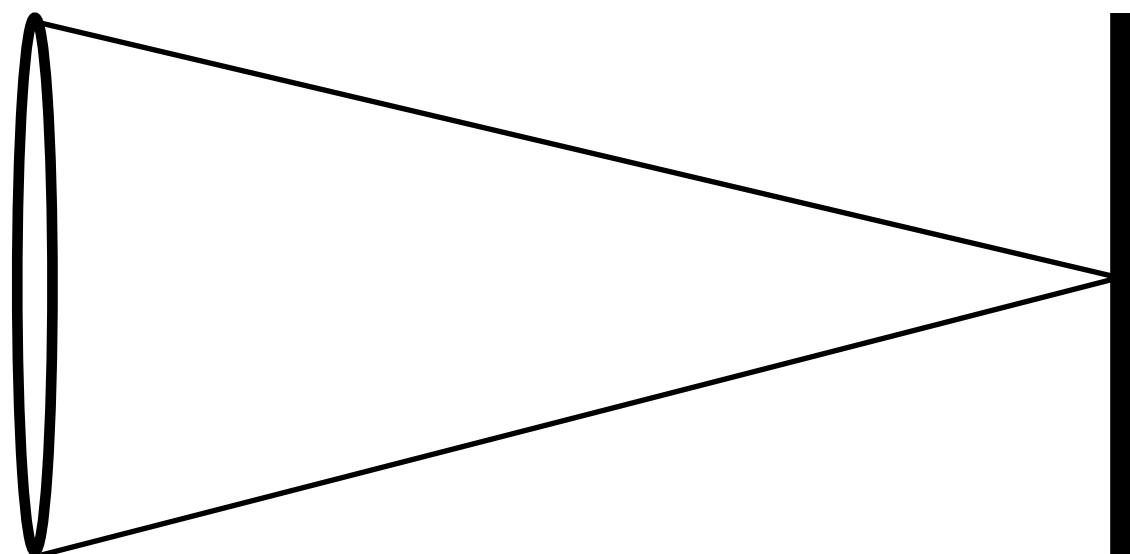
Example F-Number Calculations



$$D = 50 \text{ mm}$$

$$f = 100 \text{ mm}$$

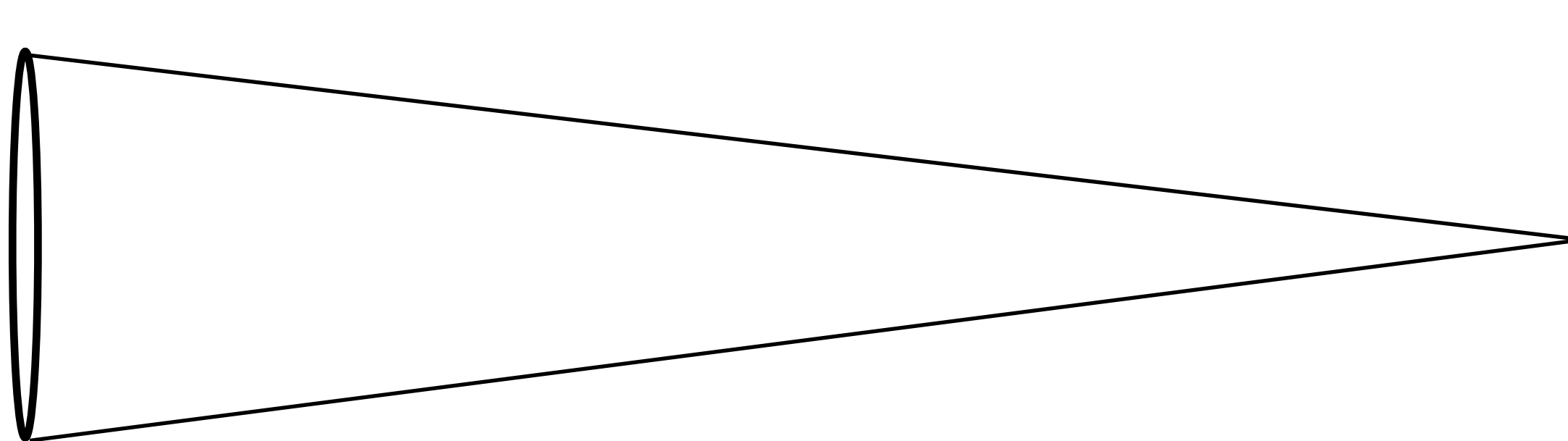
$$N = f/D = 2$$



$$D = 100 \text{ mm}$$

$$f = 200 \text{ mm}$$

$$N = f/D = 2$$



$$D = 100 \text{ mm}$$

$$f = 400 \text{ mm}$$

$$N = f/D = 4$$

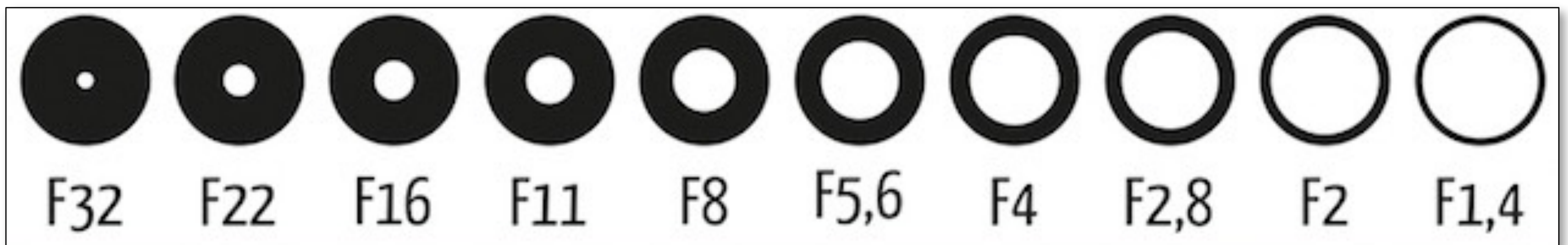
Lens's F-Number vs F-Number for Photo

A lens's F-Number is the maximum for that lens

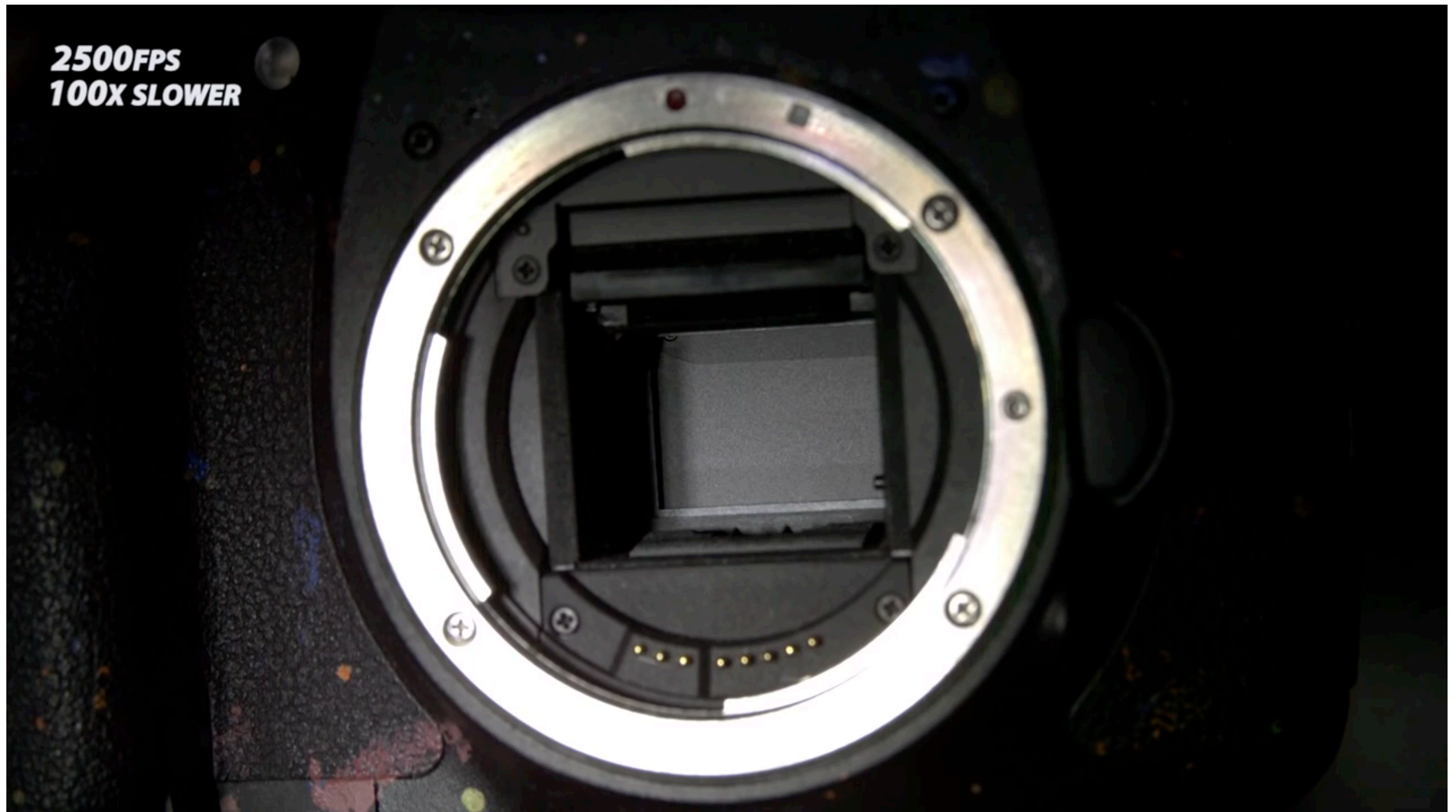
- E.g. 50 mm F/1.4 is a high-quality telephoto lens
 - Maximum aperture is $50/1.4 = 36$ mm diameter

But for an individual photo, the lens aperture may be "stopped down" to a smaller size

- E.g. 50 mm F/1.4 lens stopped down to F/4
 - Aperture is closed down with an iris to $50/4 = 12.5$ mm



Physical Shutter (1/25 Sec Exposure)



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

Main Side Effect of Shutter Speed

Motion blur: handshake, subject movement

Doubling shutter time doubles motion blur



<http://www.gavtrain.com/?p=3960>

Gavin Hoey

Main Side Effect of Shutter Speed

Motion blur: handshake, subject movement

Doubling shutter time doubles motion blur

Slow shutter speed



Fast shutter speed



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Electronic Shutter

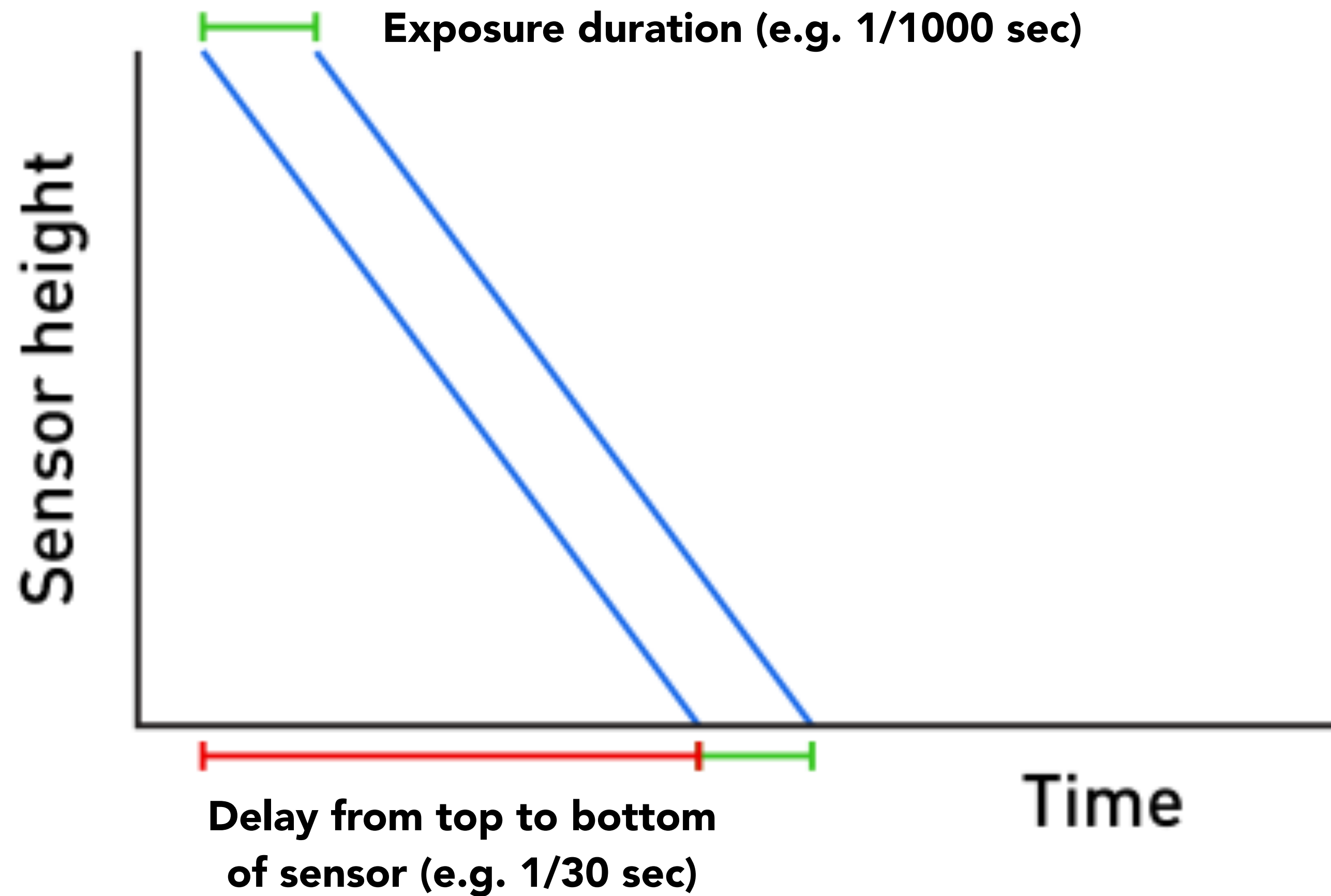
- Pixel is electronically reset to start exposure
- Fills with photoelectrons as light falls on sensor
- Reading out pixel electronically “ends” exposure
- Problem: most sensors read out pixels sequentially, takes time (e.g. 1/30 sec) to read entire sensor
 - If reset all pixels at the same time, last pixel read out will have longer exposure
 - So, usually stagger reset of pixels to ensure uniform exposure time
 - Problem: rolling shutter artifact

Electronic Rolling Shutter



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

Electronic Rolling Shutter



Electronic Rolling Shutter



Credit: David Adler, B&H Photo Video

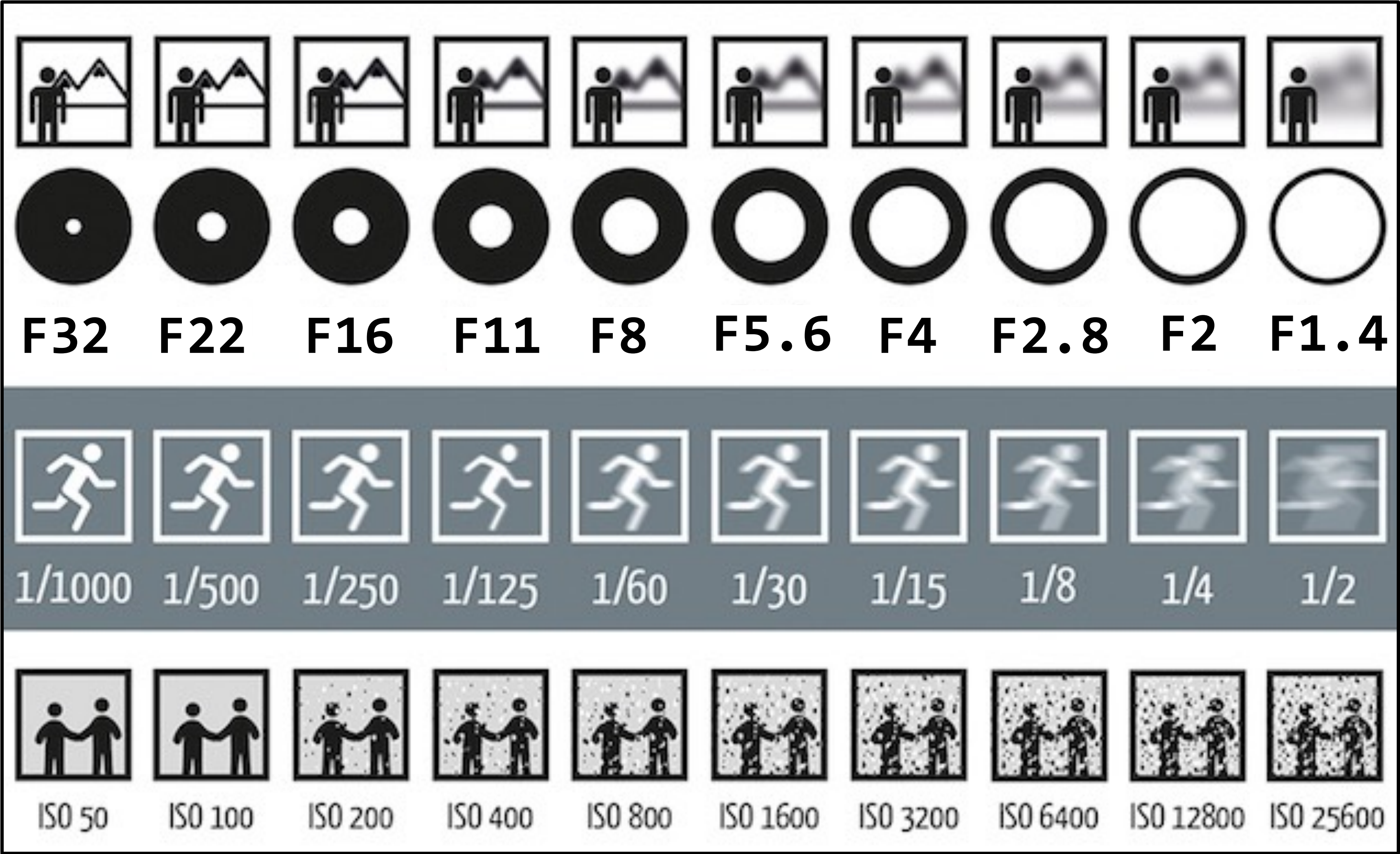
<https://www.bhphotovideo.com/explora/video/tips-and-solutions/rolling-shutter-versus-global-shutter>



Credit: Soren Ragsdale

<https://flic.kr/p/5S6rKw>

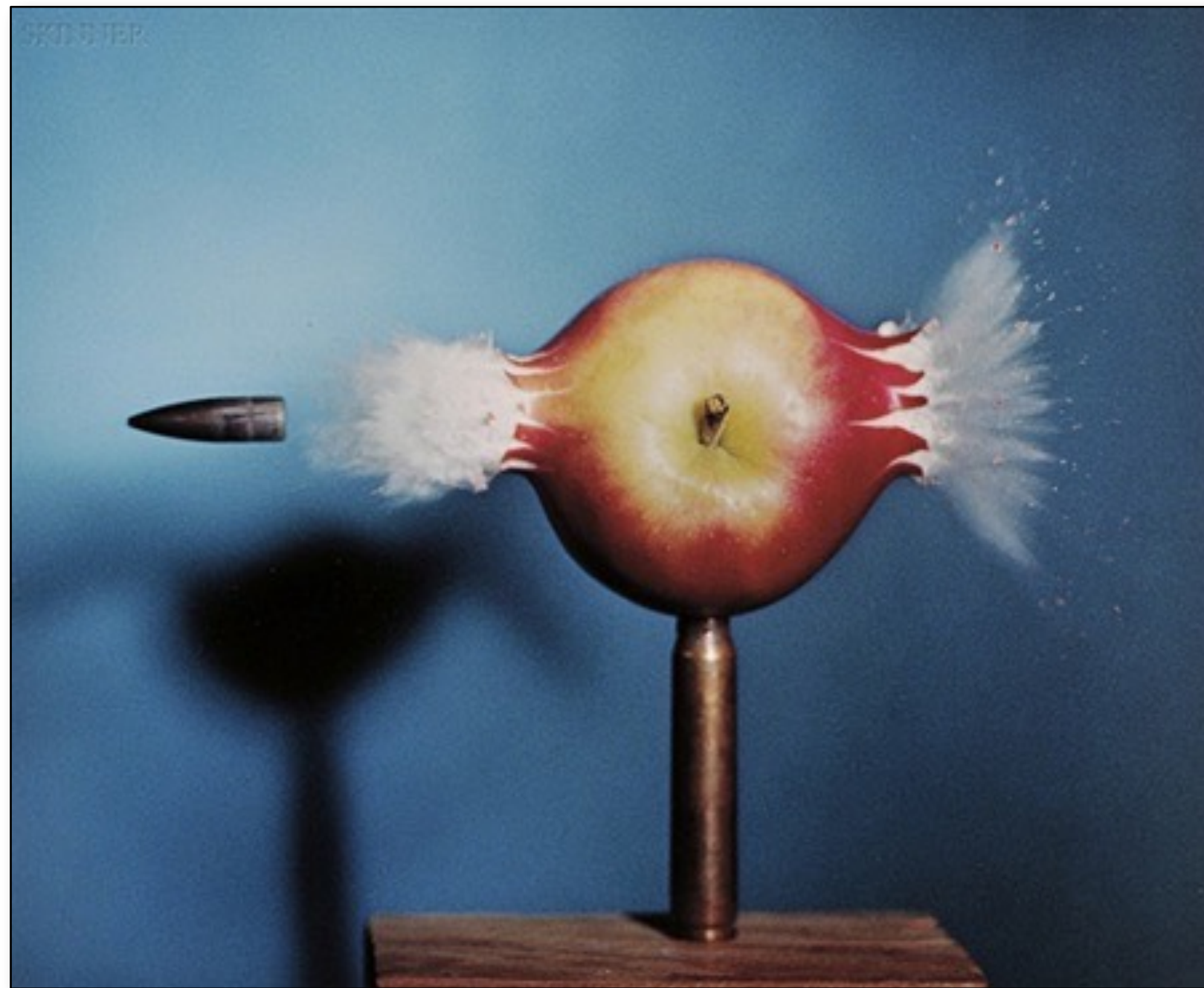
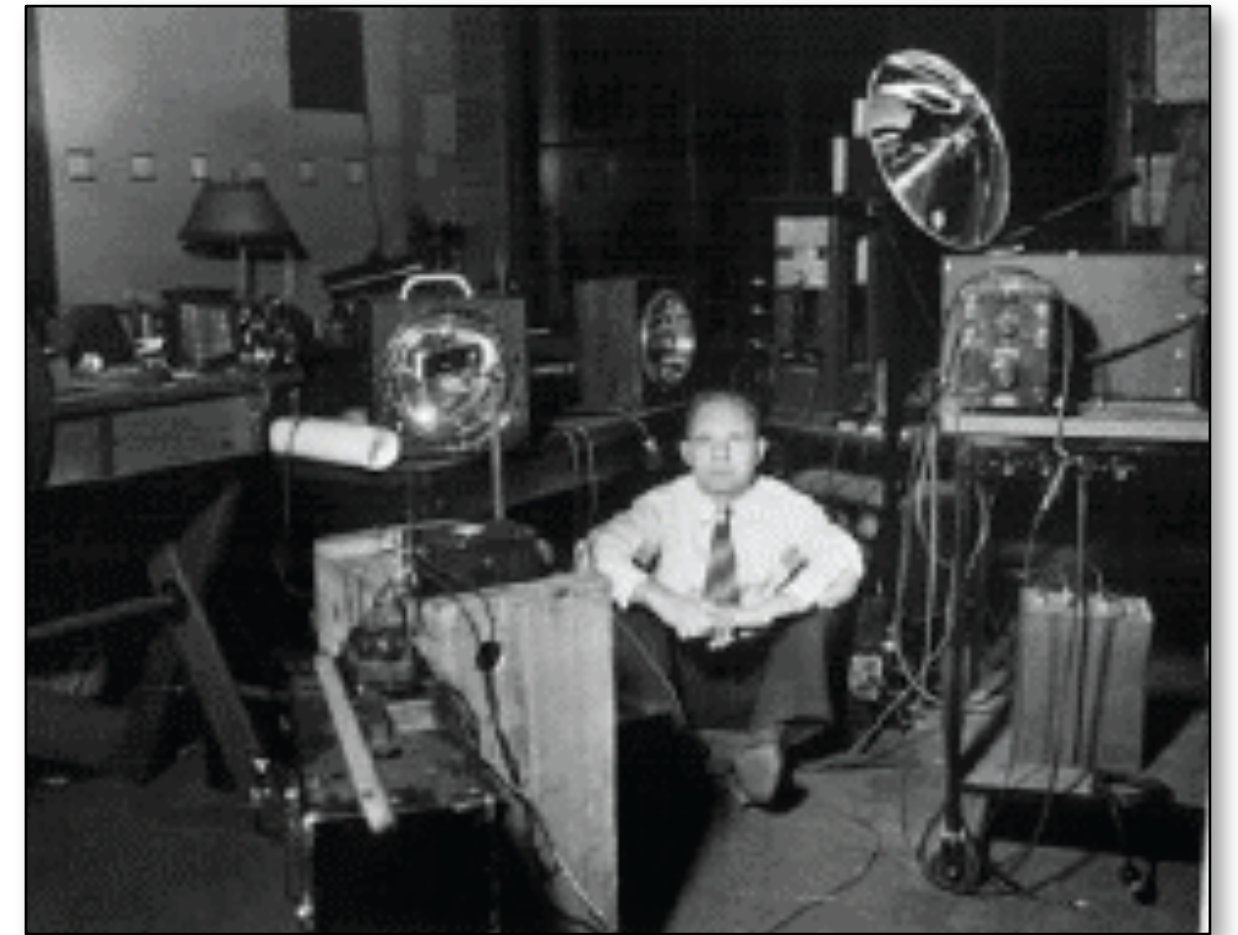
Exposure Controls: Aperture, Shutter, Gain (ISO)



Exposure Duration: Fast and Slow Photography

High-Speed Photography (Short Shutter)

long exposure
bright strobe illumination
gun synced to camera



Harold Edgerton

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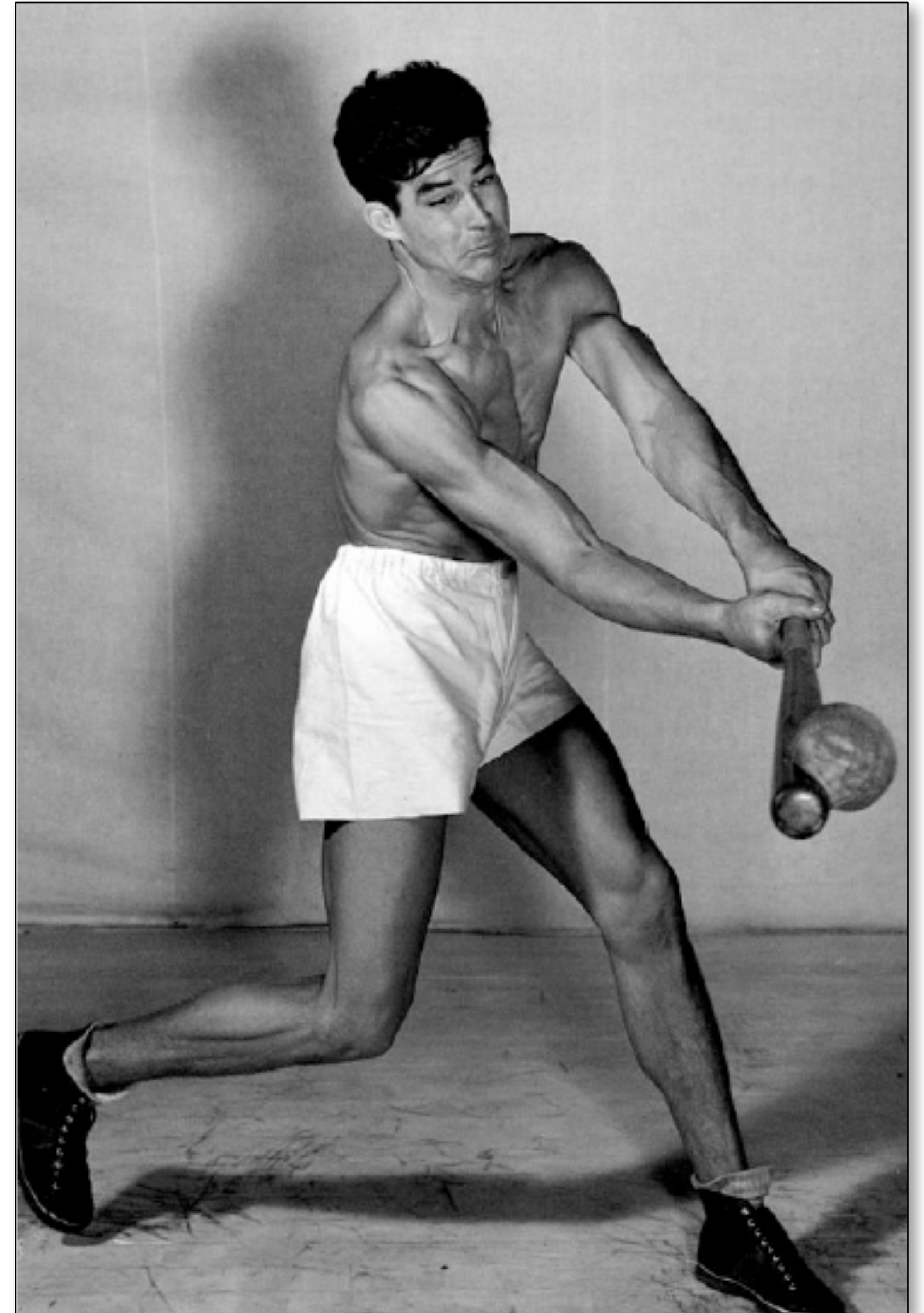
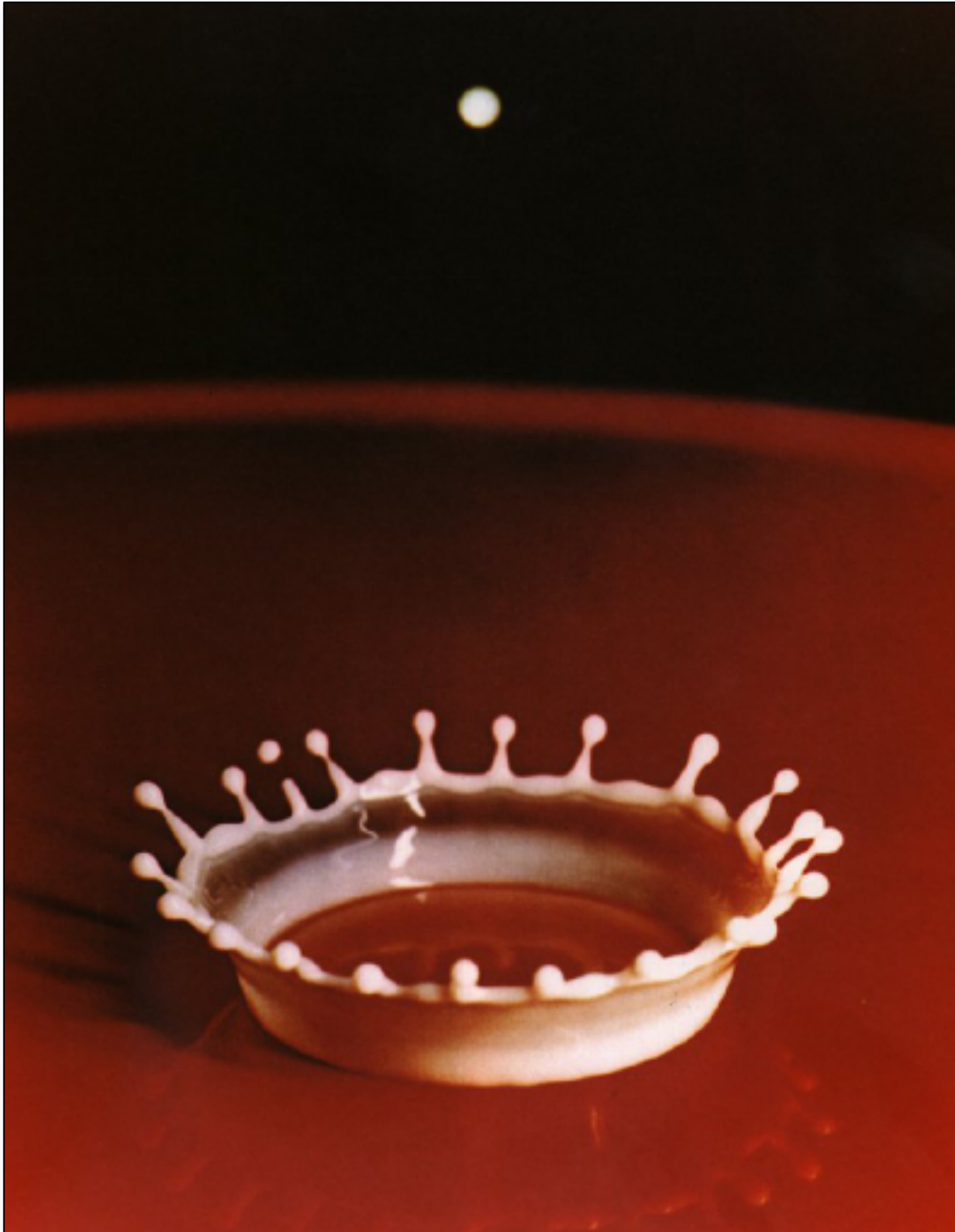
Slide courtesy L. Waller



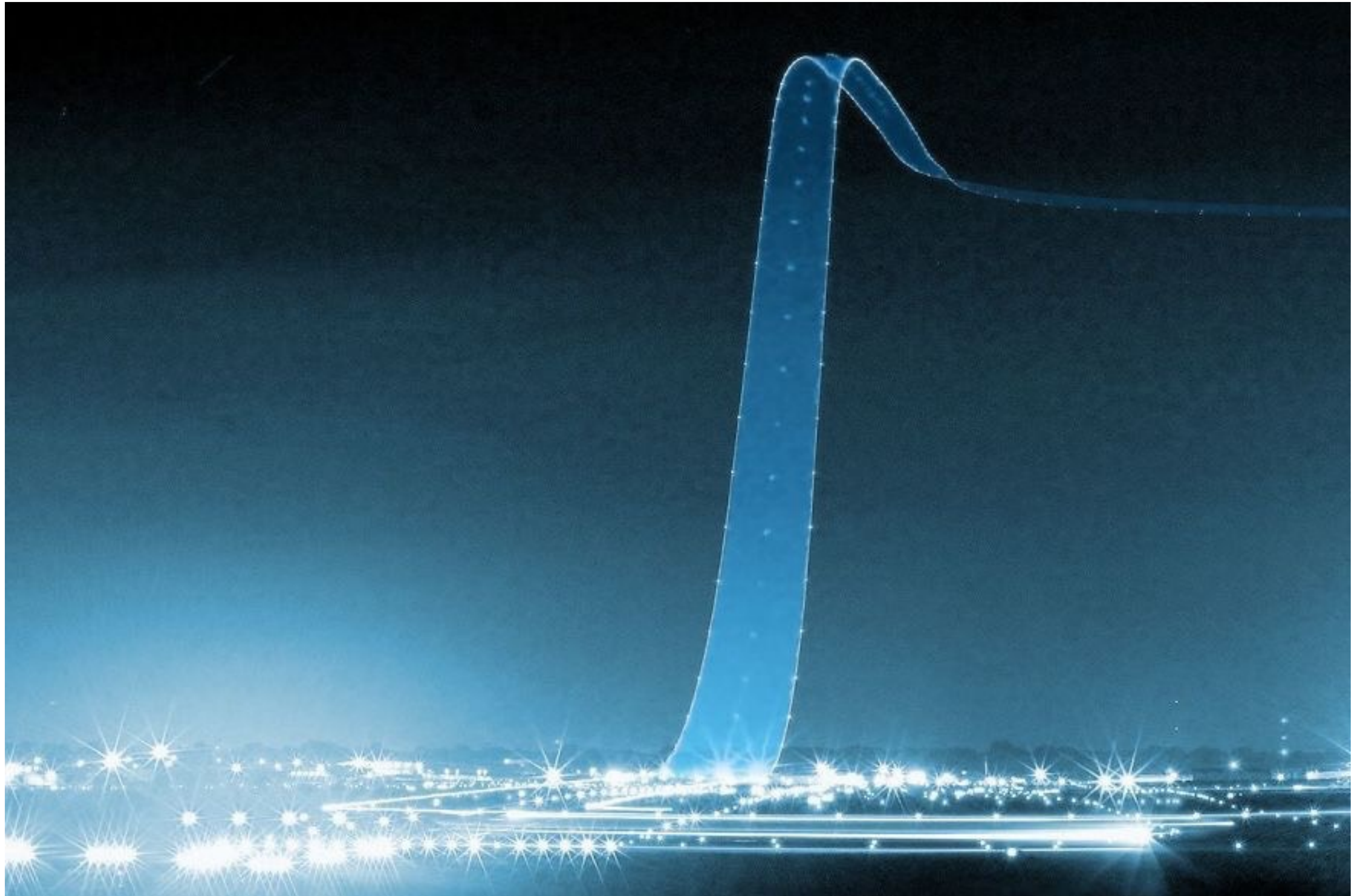
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High-Speed Photography (Short Shutter)

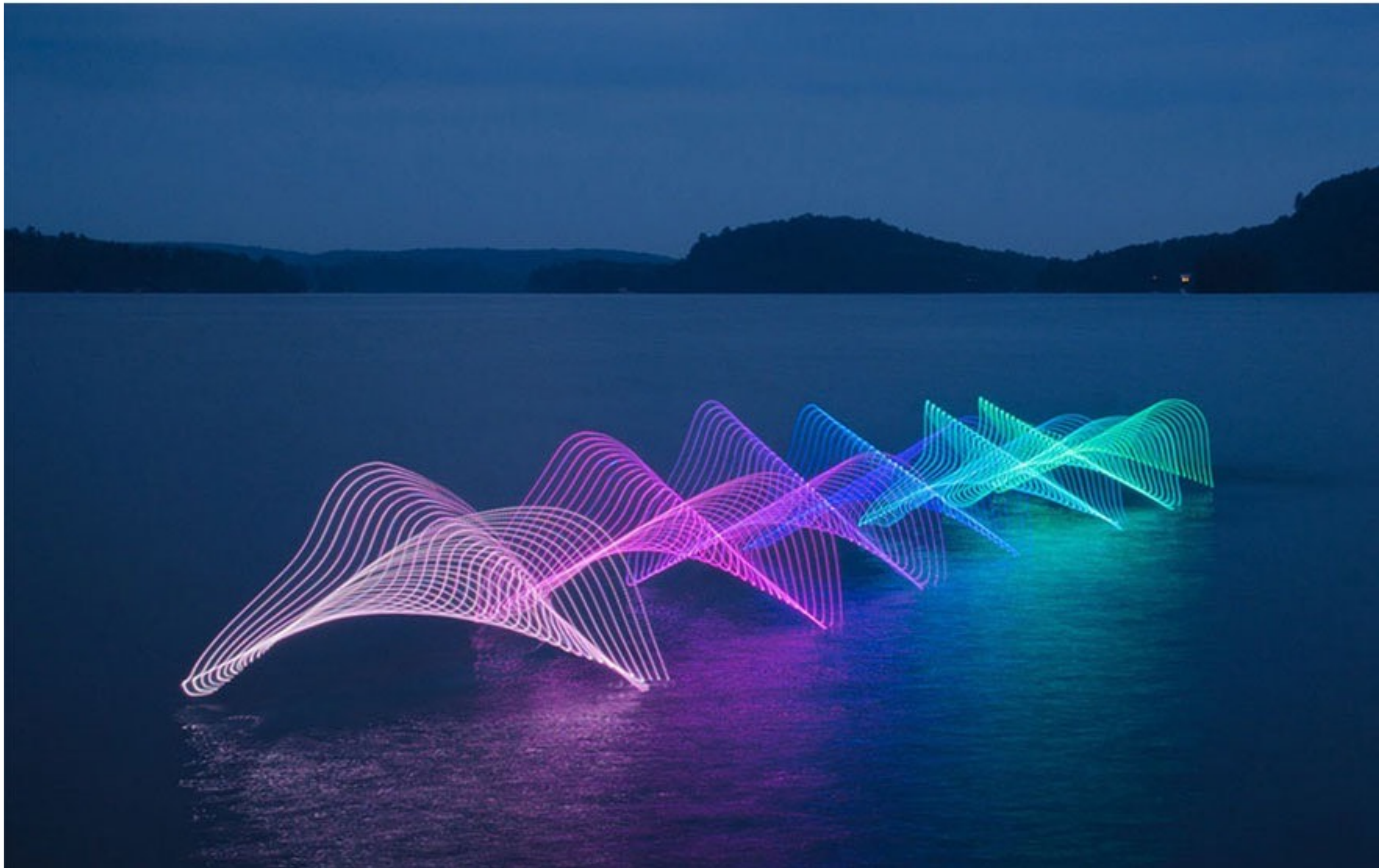


Long-Exposure Photography



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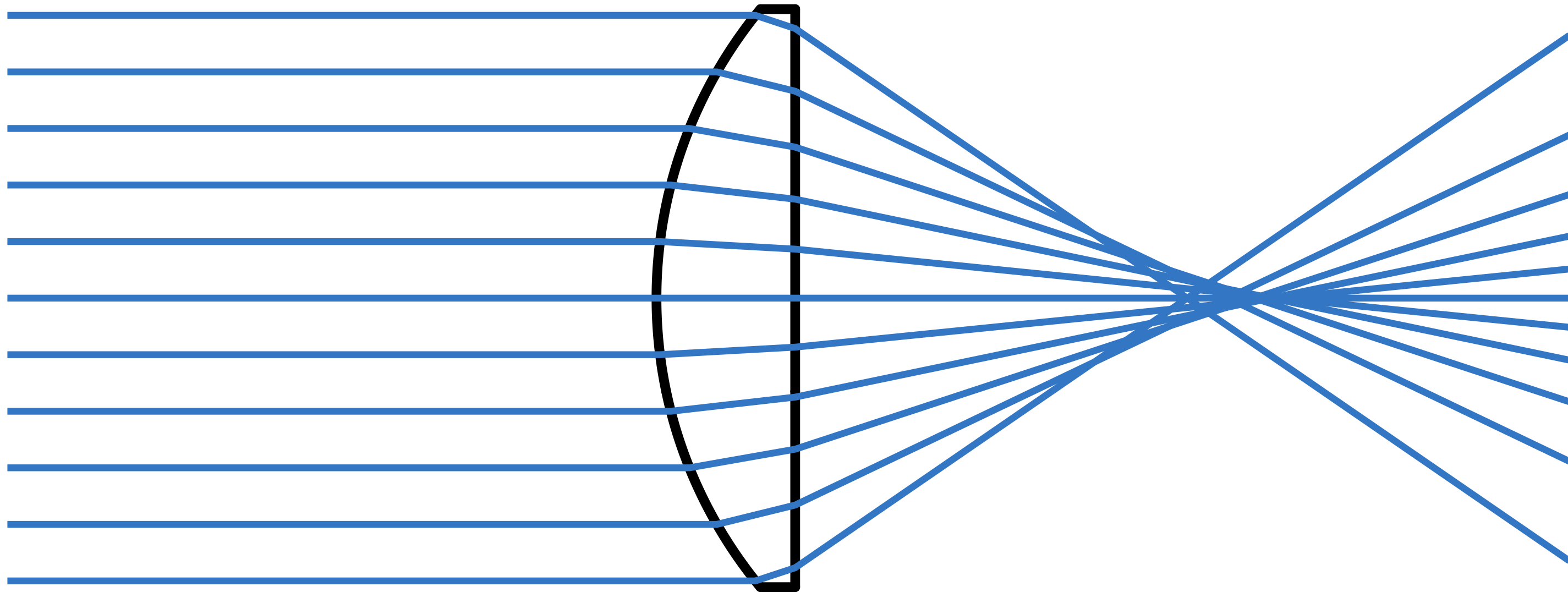
Optics of Lenses

Real Lens Designs Are Highly Complex



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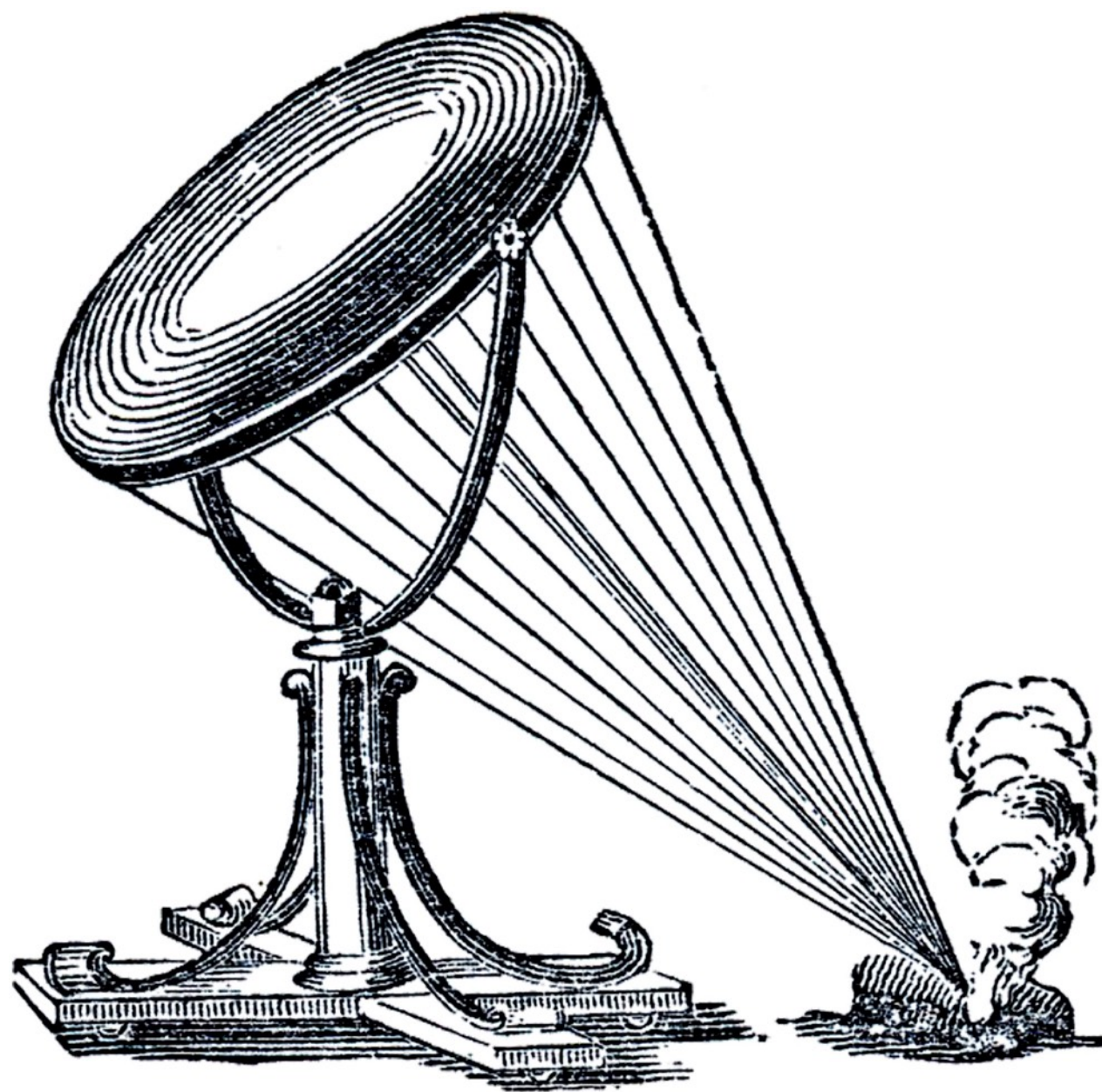
Real Lens Elements Are Not Ideal – Aberrations



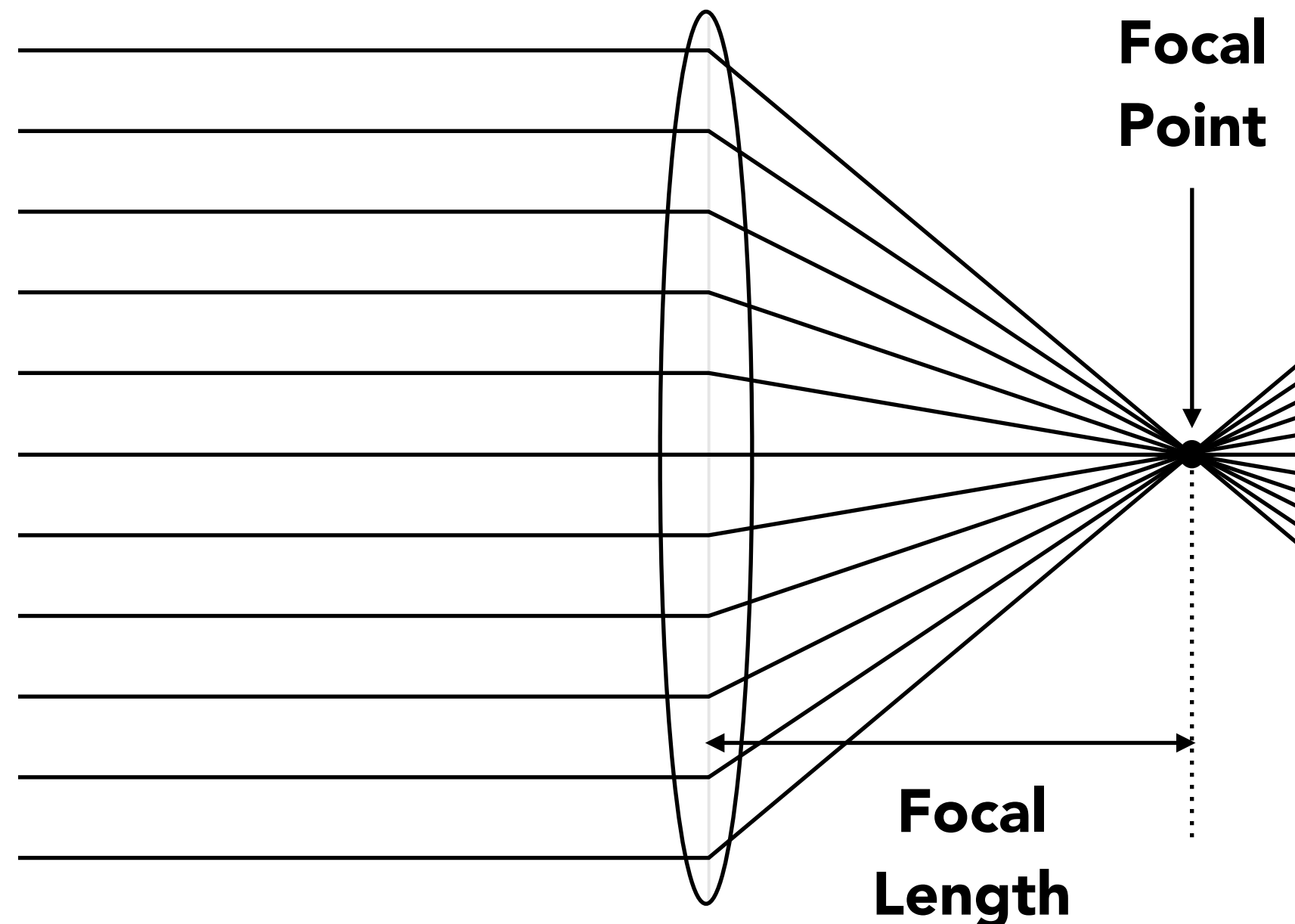
Real plano-convex lens (spherical surface shape).
Lens does not converge rays to a point anywhere.

First: Thin Lens Approximation

Ideal Thin Lens – Focal Point



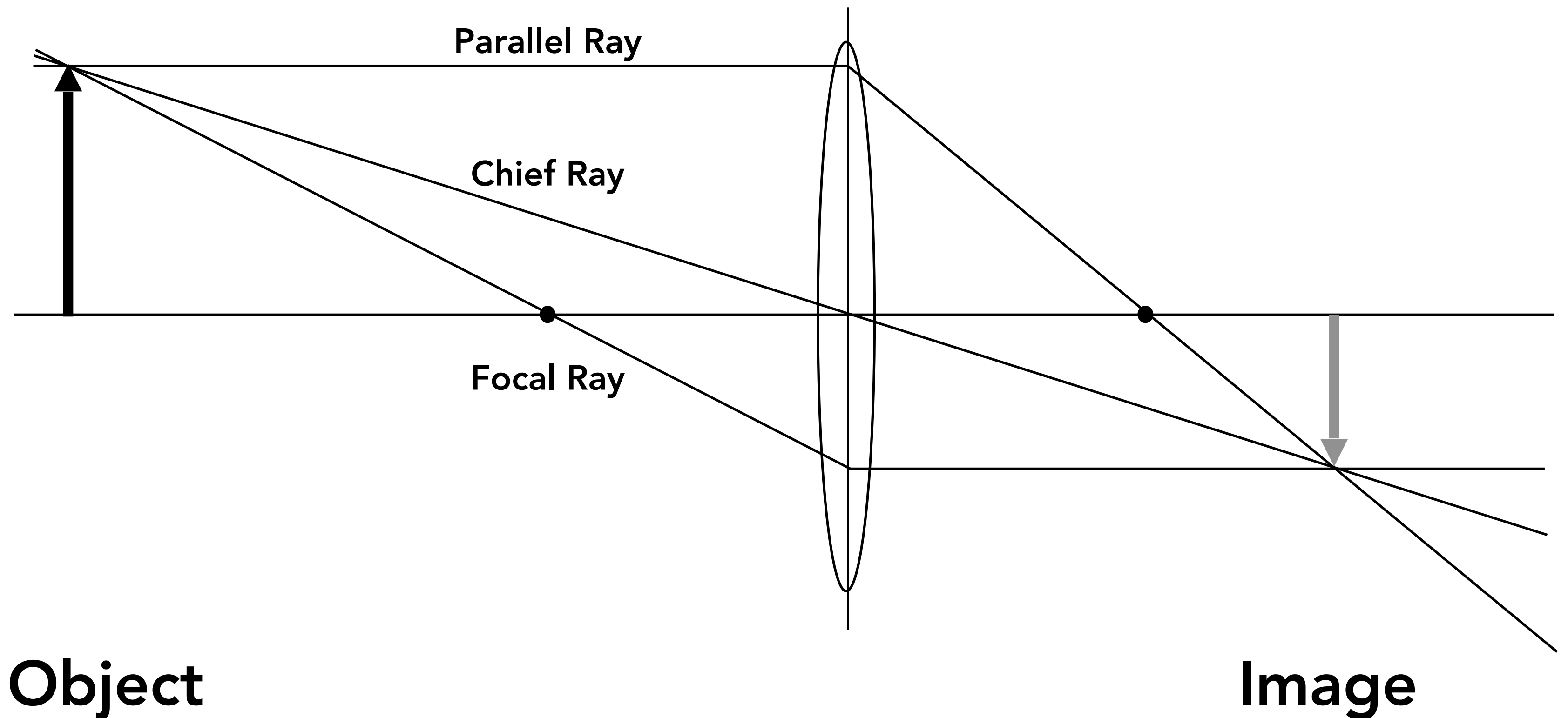
Credit: Karen Watson



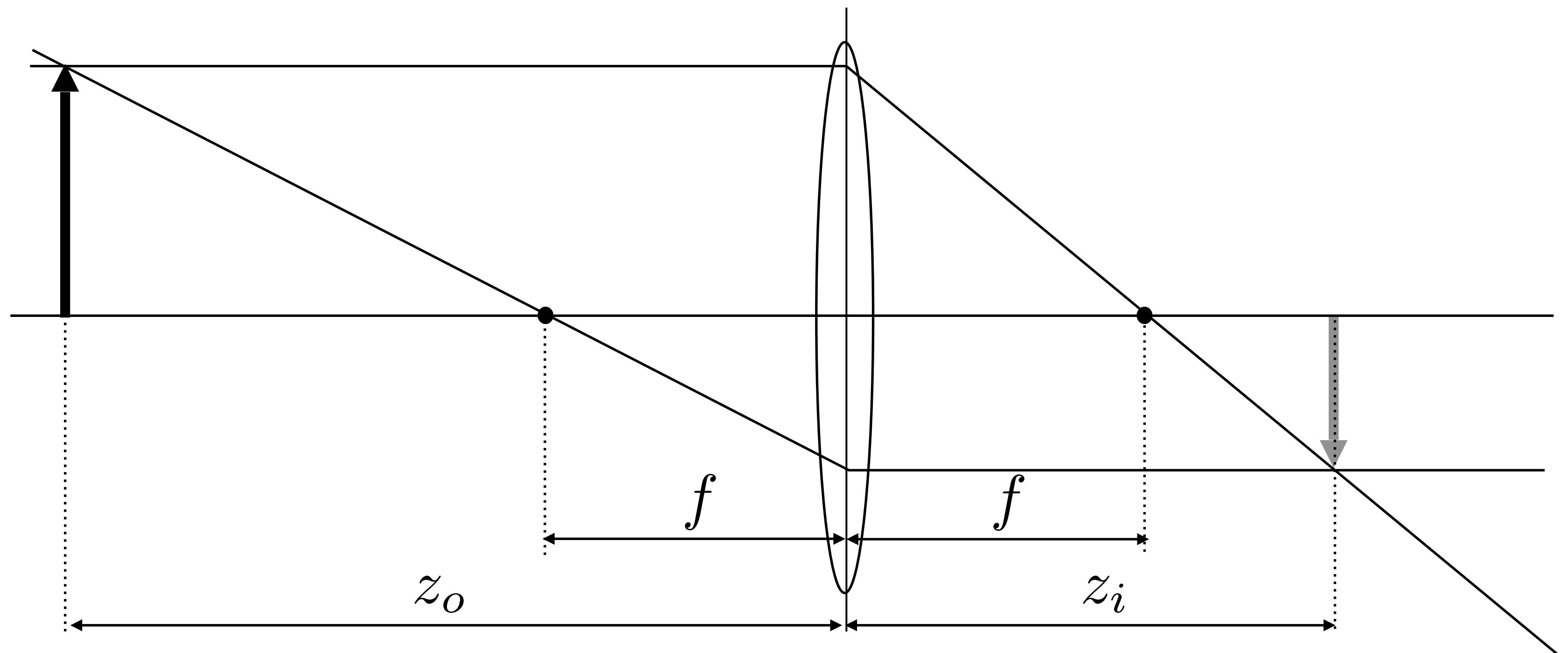
Assume all parallel rays entering a lens pass through its focal point.

Gauss' Ray Diagrams

Gauss' Ray Tracing Construction

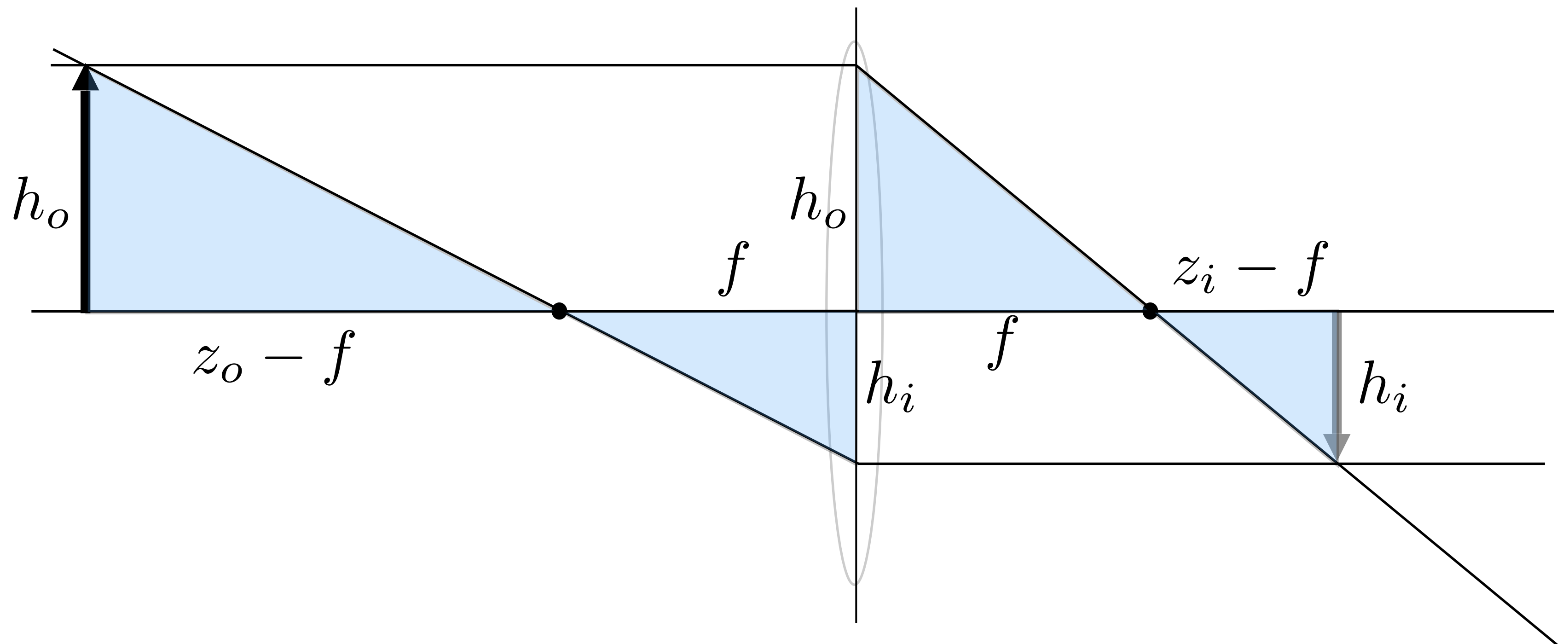


Gauss' Ray Tracing Construction



What is the relationship between conjugate depths z_o, z_i ?

Gauss' Ray Tracing Construction



$$\frac{h_o}{z_o - f} = \frac{h_i}{f}$$

$$\frac{h_o}{f} = \frac{h_i}{z_i - f}$$

Gauss' Ray Tracing Construction

$$\frac{h_o}{z_o - f} = \frac{h_i}{f} \qquad \frac{h_o}{f} = \frac{h_i}{z_i - f}$$
$$\frac{h_o}{h_i} = \frac{z_o - f}{f} \qquad \frac{h_o}{h_i} = \frac{f}{z_i - f}$$

$$\frac{z_o - f}{f} = \frac{f}{z_i - f}$$

Object / image heights
factor out - applies to all rays

$$(z_o - f)(z_i - f) = f^2$$

Newtonian Thin Lens Equation

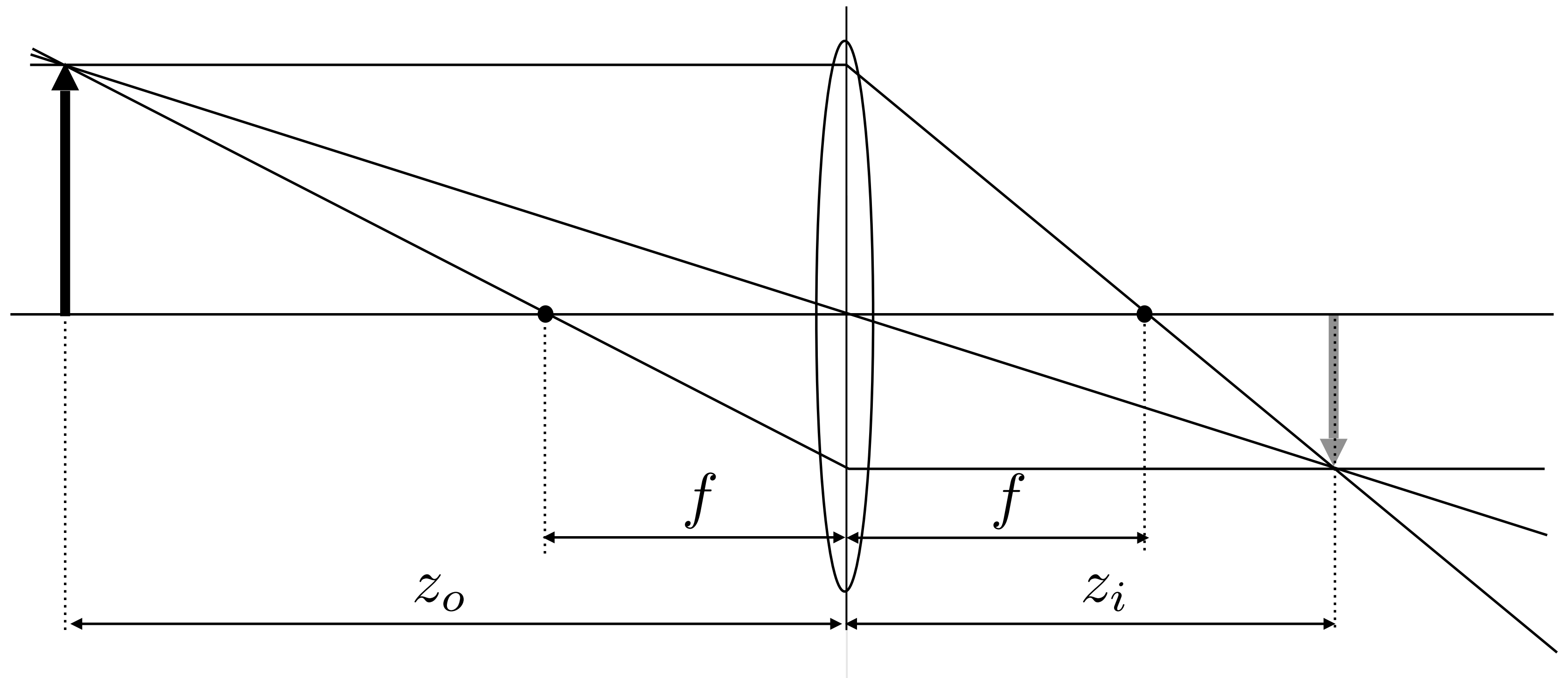
$$z_o z_i - (z_o + z_i)f + f^2 = f^2$$

$$z_o z_i = (z_o + z_i)f$$

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{z_i} + \frac{1}{z_o}$$

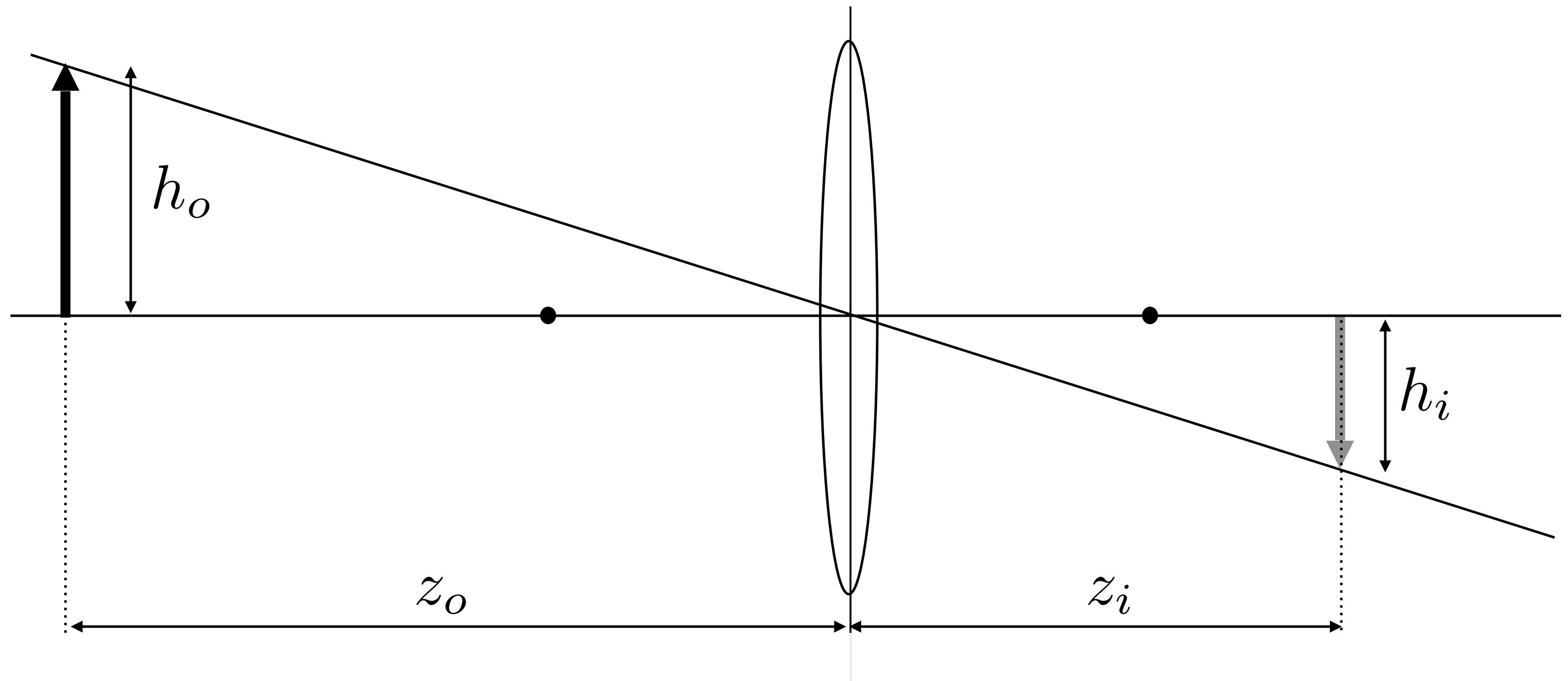
Gaussian Thin Lens Equation

The Thin Lens Equation



$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{z_i} + \frac{1}{z_o}$$

Magnification



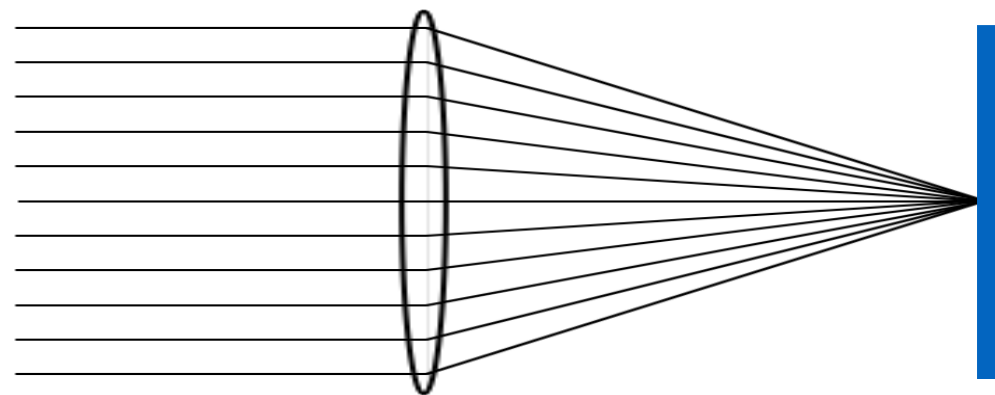
$$m = \frac{h_i}{h_o} = \frac{z_i}{z_o}$$

Magnification Example – Focus at Infinity

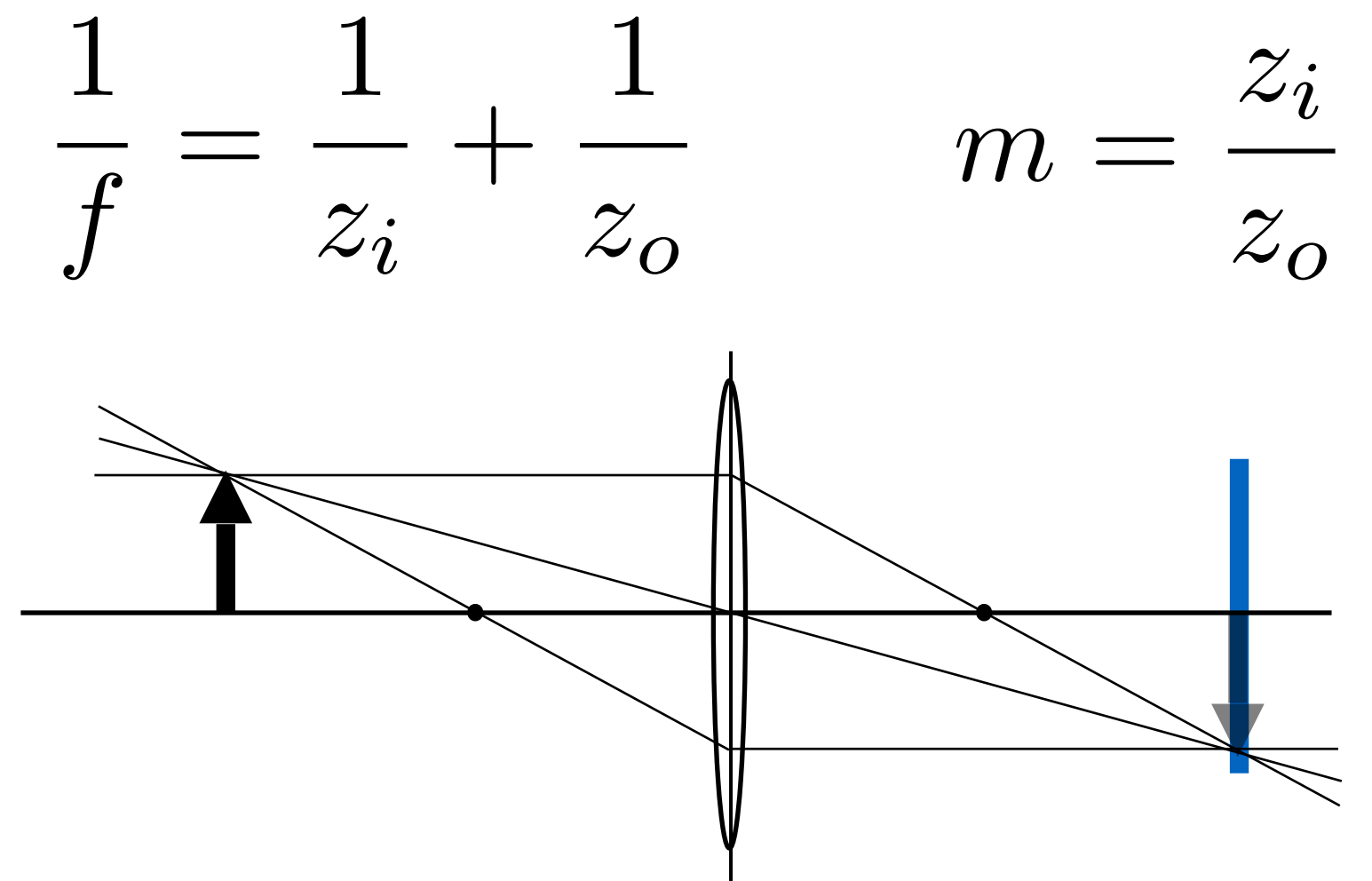
$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{z_i} + \frac{1}{z_o} \quad m = \frac{z_i}{z_o}$$

If focused on a distant mountain

- $z_o \approx \infty$, so $z_i = f$
- sensor at focal point
- magnification ≈ 0



Magnification Example – Focus at 1:1 Macro



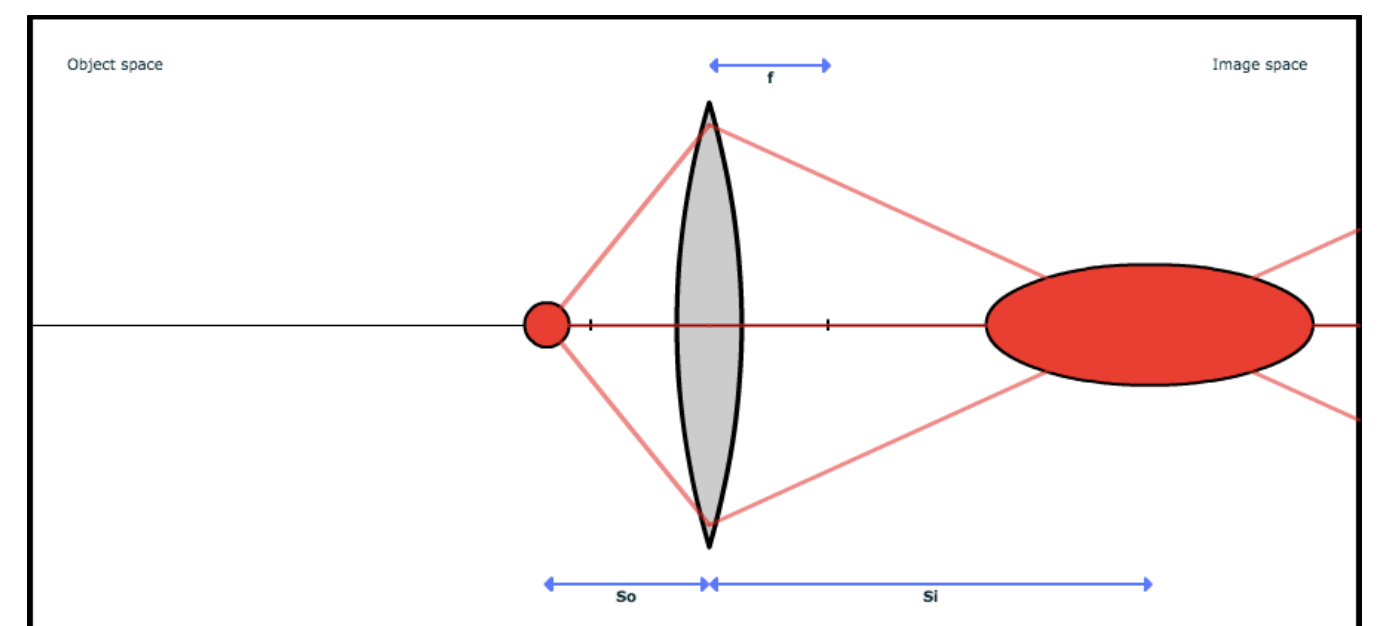
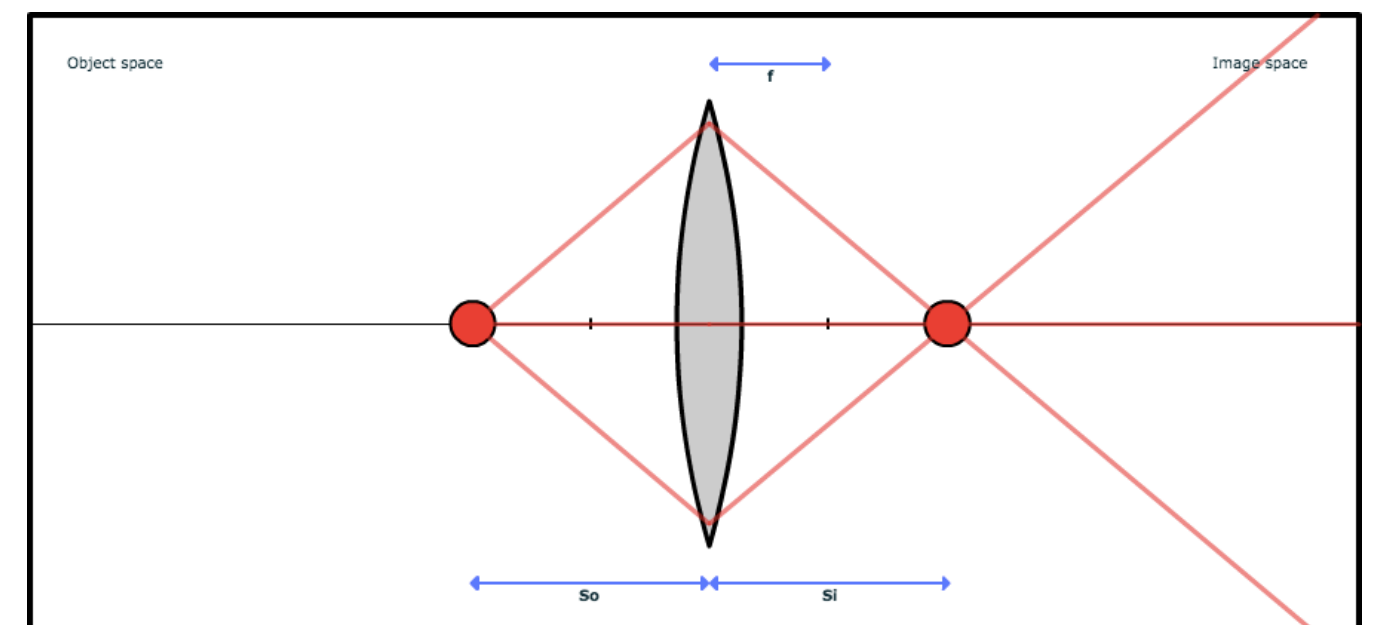
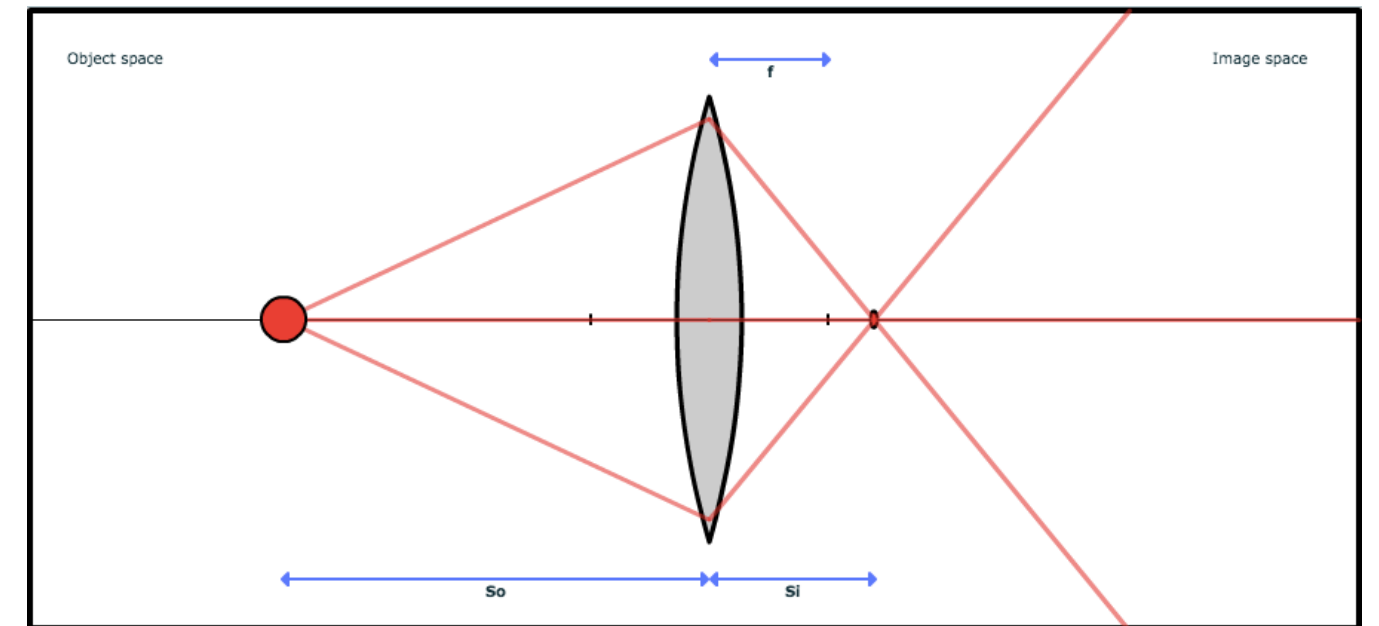
What configuration do we need to achieve a magnification of 1 (i.e. image and object the same size, a.k.a. 1:1 macro)?

- Need $z_i = z_o$, so $z_i = z_o = 2f$ — sensor at twice focal length
- In 1:1 imaging, if the sensor is 36 mm wide, an object 36 mm wide will fill the frame

Thin Lens Effects — Observations in 3D

3D image of object is:

- Compressed in depth for low magnification
- 1:1 in 3D for unit magnification
- Stretched in depth for high magnification



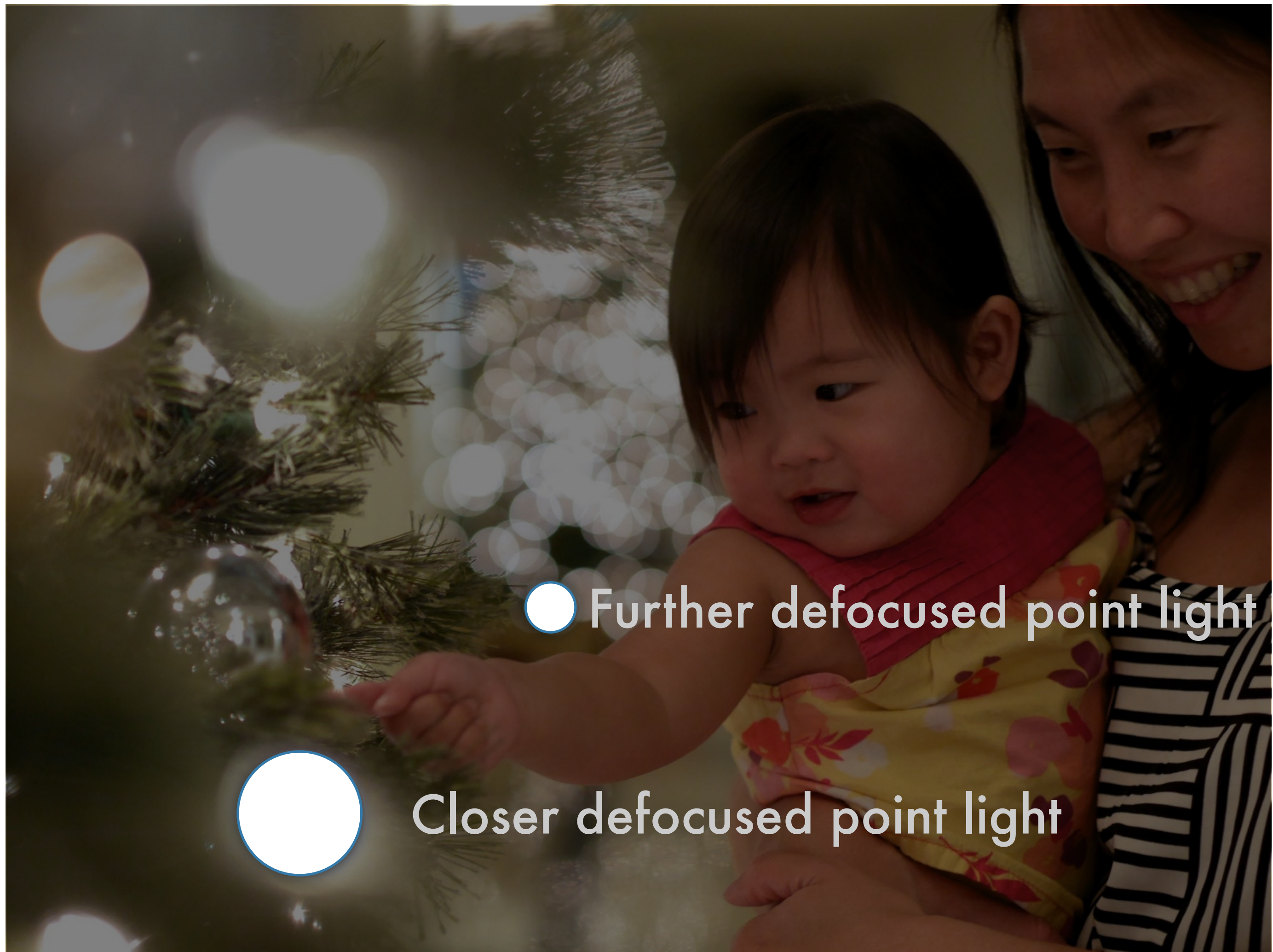
Credit: Stanford CS 178

Defocus Blur

Circle of Confusion



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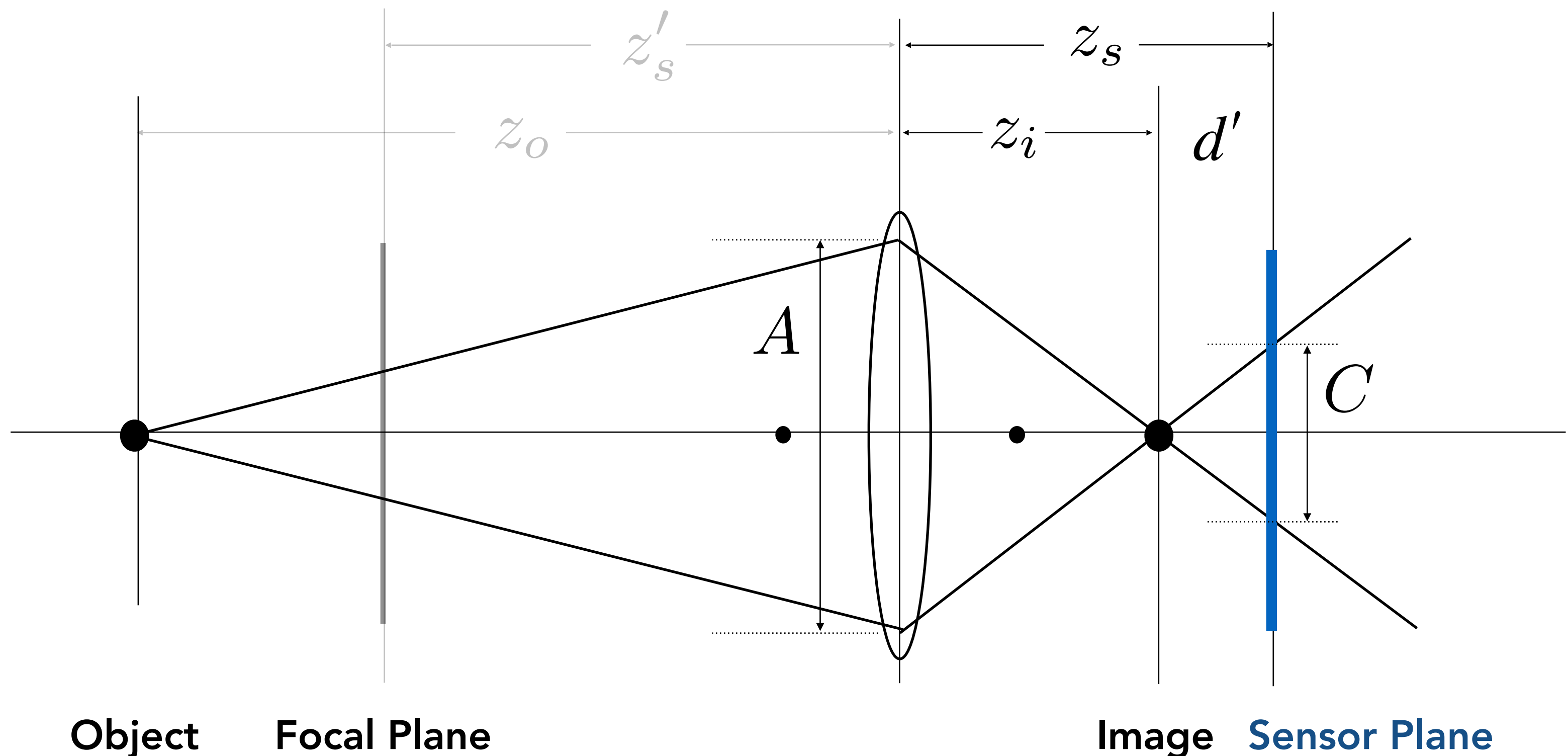
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Computing Circle of Confusion Diameter (C)



Circle of confusion is proportional to the size of the aperture

$$\frac{C}{A} = \frac{d'}{z_i} = \frac{|z_s - z_i|}{z_i}$$

Circle of Confusion – Example

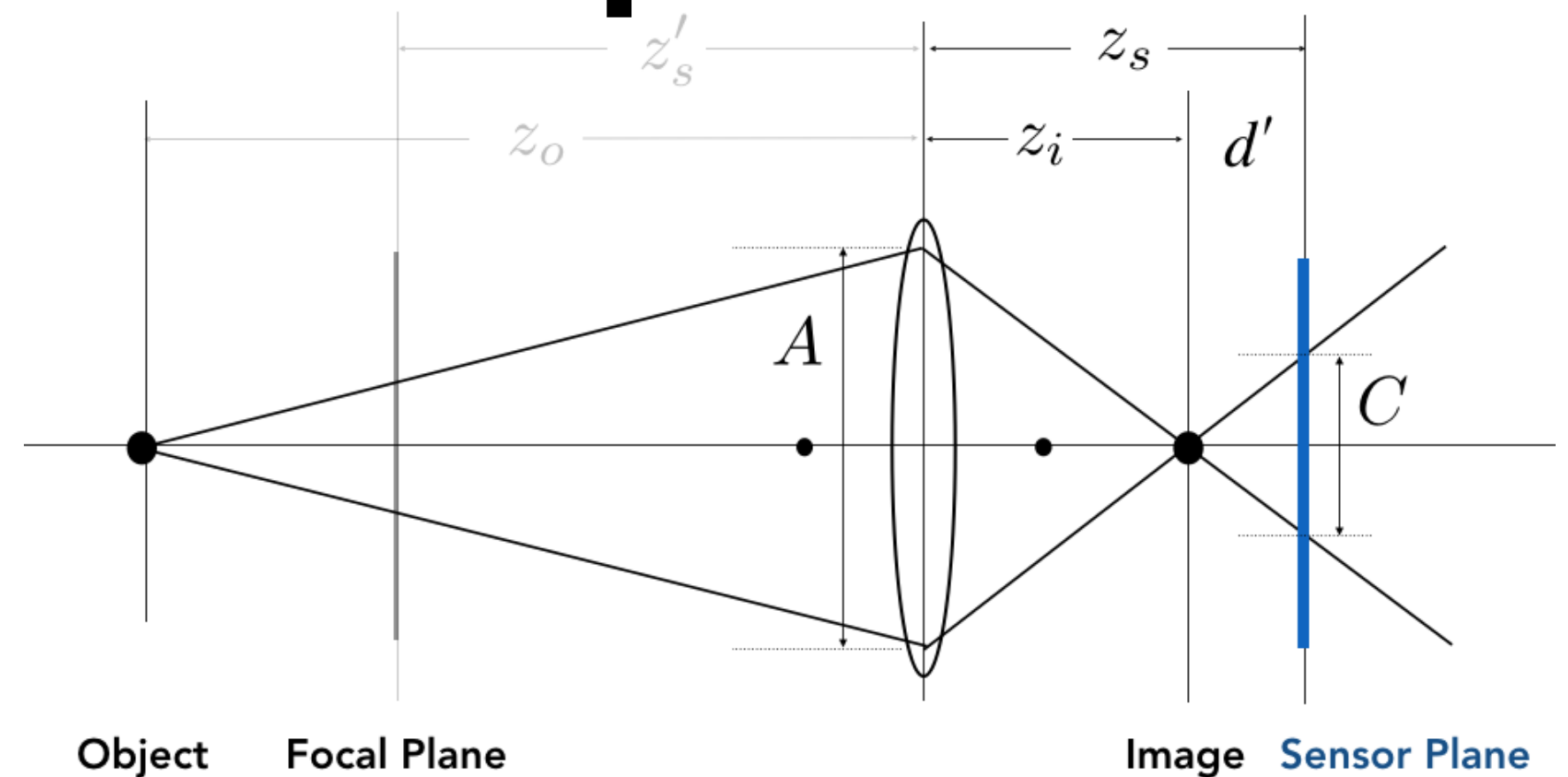
50mm f/2 lens

Full frame sensor (36x24mm)

Focus: 1 meter

Background: 10 meter

Foreground: 0.3 meter



$$A = 50\text{mm}/2 = 25\text{mm}$$

$$z_s = \frac{1}{1/50 - 1/1000} \approx 52.63\text{mm}$$

$$\text{Background: } z_i = \frac{1}{1/50 - 1/10,000} \approx 50.25\text{mm}$$

$$C = A|z_s - z_i|/z_i = 1.18\text{mm} \quad \sim 130 \text{ pixels on 4K TV}$$

$$\text{Foreground: } z_i = \frac{1}{1/50 - 1/300} \approx 55.56\text{mm}$$

$$C = A|z_s - z_i|/z_i = 3.07\text{mm} \quad \sim 338 \text{ pixels on 4K TV}$$



Size of Circle of Confusion is Inversely Proportional to F-Number for Photo



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$$C = A \frac{|z_s - z_i|}{z_i} = \frac{f}{N} \frac{|z_s - z_i|}{z_i}$$

Exposure Tradeoffs

Depth of Field vs Motion Blur

Same Exposure: Depth of Field vs Motion Blur



f / 4
1/125 sec



f / 11
1/15 sec



f / 32
1/2 sec

- Photographers must trade off depth of field and motion blur for moving subjects

Shallow Depth of Field Can Create a Stronger Image



From Peterson, Understanding Exposure
200mm, f/4, 1/1000 (left) and f/11, 1/125 (right)

Motion Blur Can Help Tell The Story



From Peterson, Understanding Exposure
1/60, f/5.6, 180mm

To Be Continued