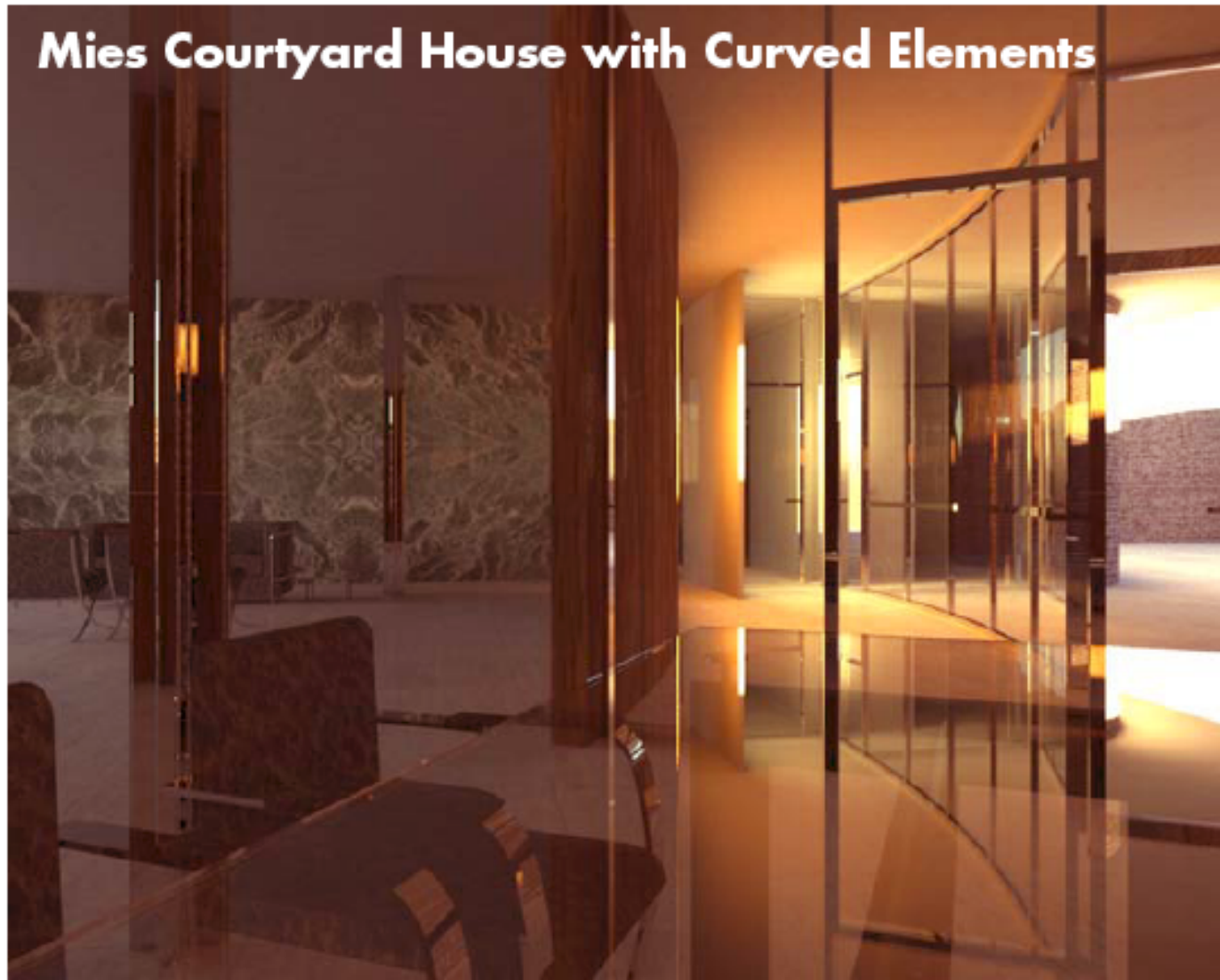


# Interreflections : The Inverse Problem

## Lecture #12

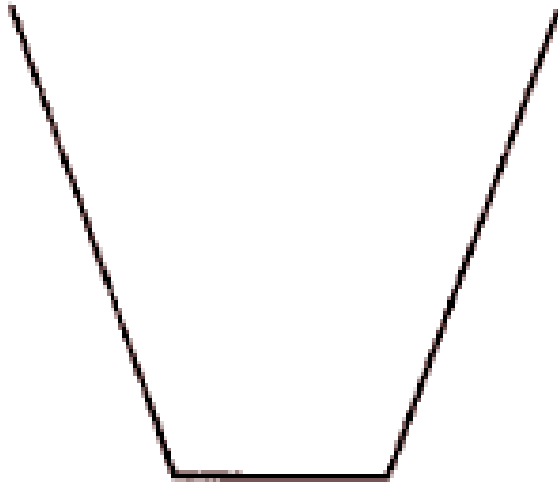
Thanks to Shree Nayar, Seitz et al, Levoy et al, David Kriegman

# Graphics



**Modeling: Stephen Duck; Rendering: Henrik Wann Jensen**

# Vision: Estimating Shape of Concave Surfaces



Actual Shape



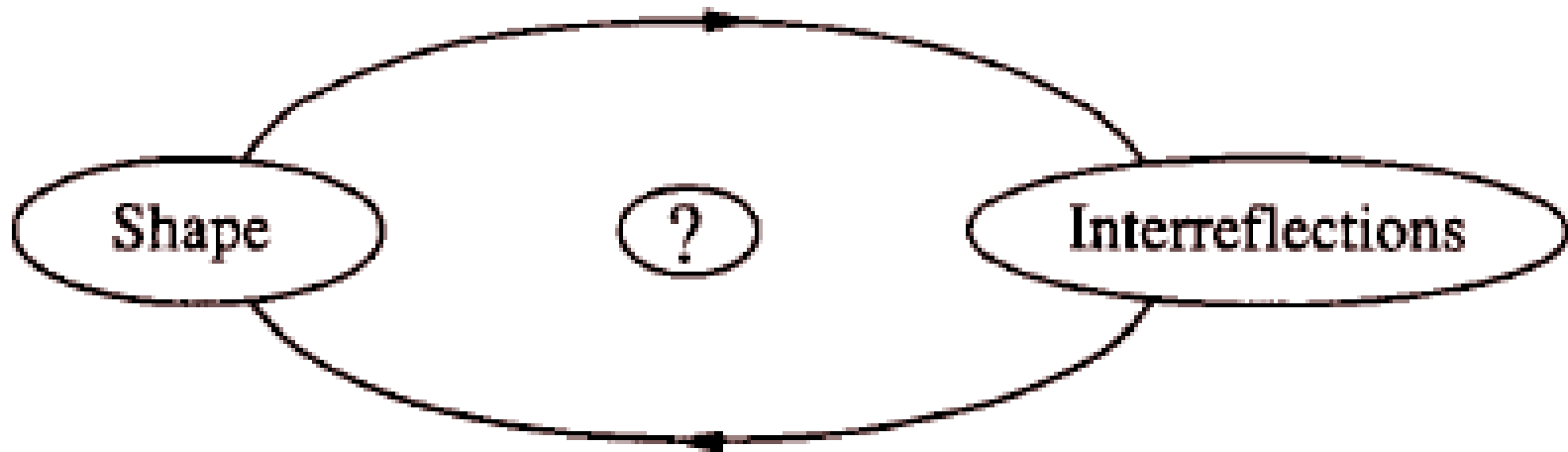
Shape from  
Photometric Stereo

Need to account for Interreflections!!

# Shape and Interreflections: Chicken and Egg

- If we remove the effects of interreflections, we know how to compute shape.
- But, interreflections depend on the shape!!

So, which comes first?



# Linear System of Radiosity Equations - RECAP

$$\forall \text{patches } i: \quad B_i = B_{ei} + \rho_i \sum_j F_{i \rightarrow j} B_j$$

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 1 - \rho_1 F_{1 \rightarrow 1} & -\rho_1 F_{1 \rightarrow 2} & \cdots & -\rho_1 F_{1 \rightarrow n} \\
 -\rho_2 F_{2 \rightarrow 1} & 1 - \rho_2 F_{2 \rightarrow 2} & \cdots & -\rho_2 F_{2 \rightarrow n} \\
 \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\
 -\rho_n F_{n \rightarrow 1} & -\rho_n F_{n \rightarrow 2} & \cdots & 1 - \rho_n F_{n \rightarrow n}
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 B_1 \\
 B_2 \\
 \cdots \\
 B_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 B_{e1} \\
 B_{e2} \\
 \cdots \\
 B_{en}
 \end{bmatrix}$$

Known
Unknown
Known

- Matrix Inversion to Solve for Radiosities.

# Use Radiance instead of Radiosity

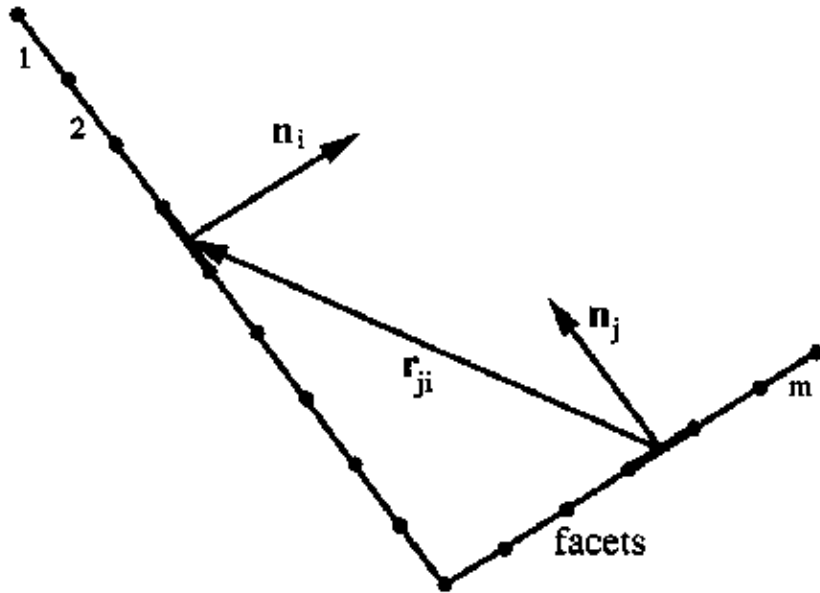
- Vision shape-from-intensity algorithms work on Radiance.
- Assume image pixel covers infinitesimal scene patch area .
- Form factor is called “Interreflection Kernel”,  $K$  (better name).

$$L_i = L_s + \rho_i \sum_j L_j K_{ij}$$

Radiance of a facet is given by the linear combination of radiances from other facets.

Loosely, we can say, this weighted averaging in the direction of concave curvature.

# Why do concavities appear shallow?



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# Matrix Form of Interreflection Equation

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{L}_s + \mathbf{P} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{L}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{1}{\pi} \begin{bmatrix} \rho_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \rho_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \rho_m \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & K_{12} & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ K_{21} & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & 0 & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

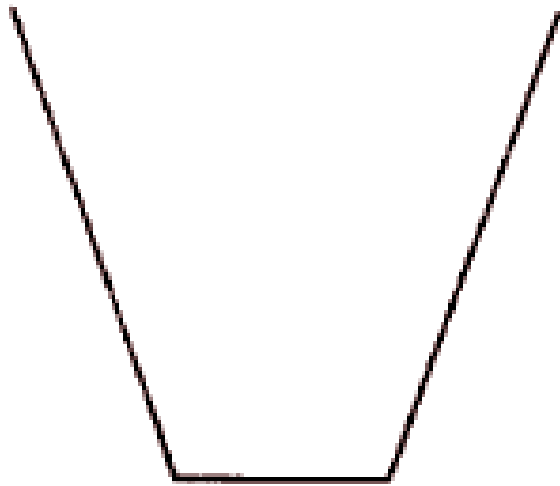


$$(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P} \mathbf{K}) \mathbf{L} = \mathbf{L}_s$$



# Pseudo Shape and Reflectance

- Apply any shape from intensity algorithm ignoring interreflections!



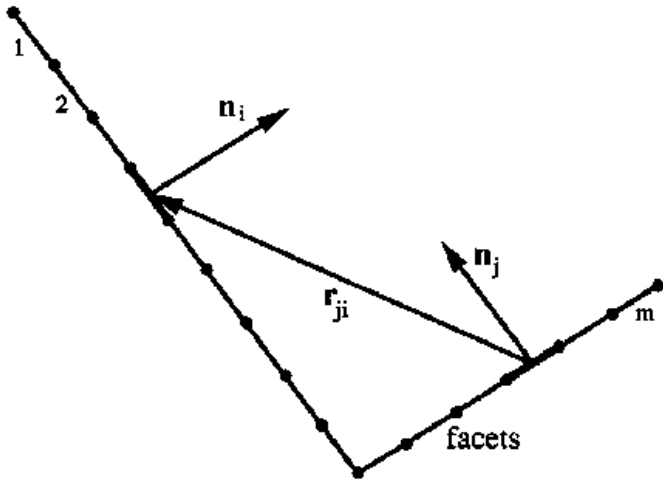
Actual Shape



Pseudo-shape from  
Photometric Stereo

- **KEY IDEA:** The pseudo shape and reflectance (albedo) is related to the actual shape and reflectance.

# Pseudo Shape/Reflectance from Photometric Stereo



$$N_i = \rho_i n_i$$

Facet Matrix :

$$\mathbf{F} = [N_1, N_2, N_3, N_4 \dots]$$

$$\mathbf{L} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P} \mathbf{K})^{-1} \mathbf{L}_s$$



$$\mathbf{L} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P} \mathbf{K})^{-1} \mathbf{F} \cdot s$$

Source direction ↙

Three Source Directions :

$$[\mathbf{L}_1, \mathbf{L}_2, \mathbf{L}_3] = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P} \mathbf{K})^{-1} \mathbf{F} \cdot [s_1, s_2, s_3]$$

# Pseudo Shape/Reflectance from Photometric Stereo

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Pseudo Shape :

$$\mathbf{F}_p = [\mathbf{L}_1, \mathbf{L}_2, \mathbf{L}_3] \cdot [s_1, s_2, s_3]^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_p = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P} \mathbf{K})^{-1} \mathbf{F}$$

## Key Observations

$$\mathbf{F}_p = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P} \mathbf{K})^{-1} \mathbf{F}$$

- Pseudo Shape and Albedos are independent of source direction! This allows us to reconstruct actual shape.
- Pseudo Facets: Lambertian!  
“Smoothed” versions of actual facets (shallow)  
Pseudo albedos may be greater than 1.

# Iterative Refinement of Shape and Albedos

- Start with pseudo shape and albedos as initial guesses.
- Compute Interreflection Kernel  $\mathbf{K}$ , and Albedo matrix  $\mathbf{P}$ .
- Iterate until convergence.

$$\mathbf{F}^{i+1} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{K}^i)^{-1} \mathbf{F}_p$$

$$\mathbf{F}^0 = \mathbf{F}_p$$

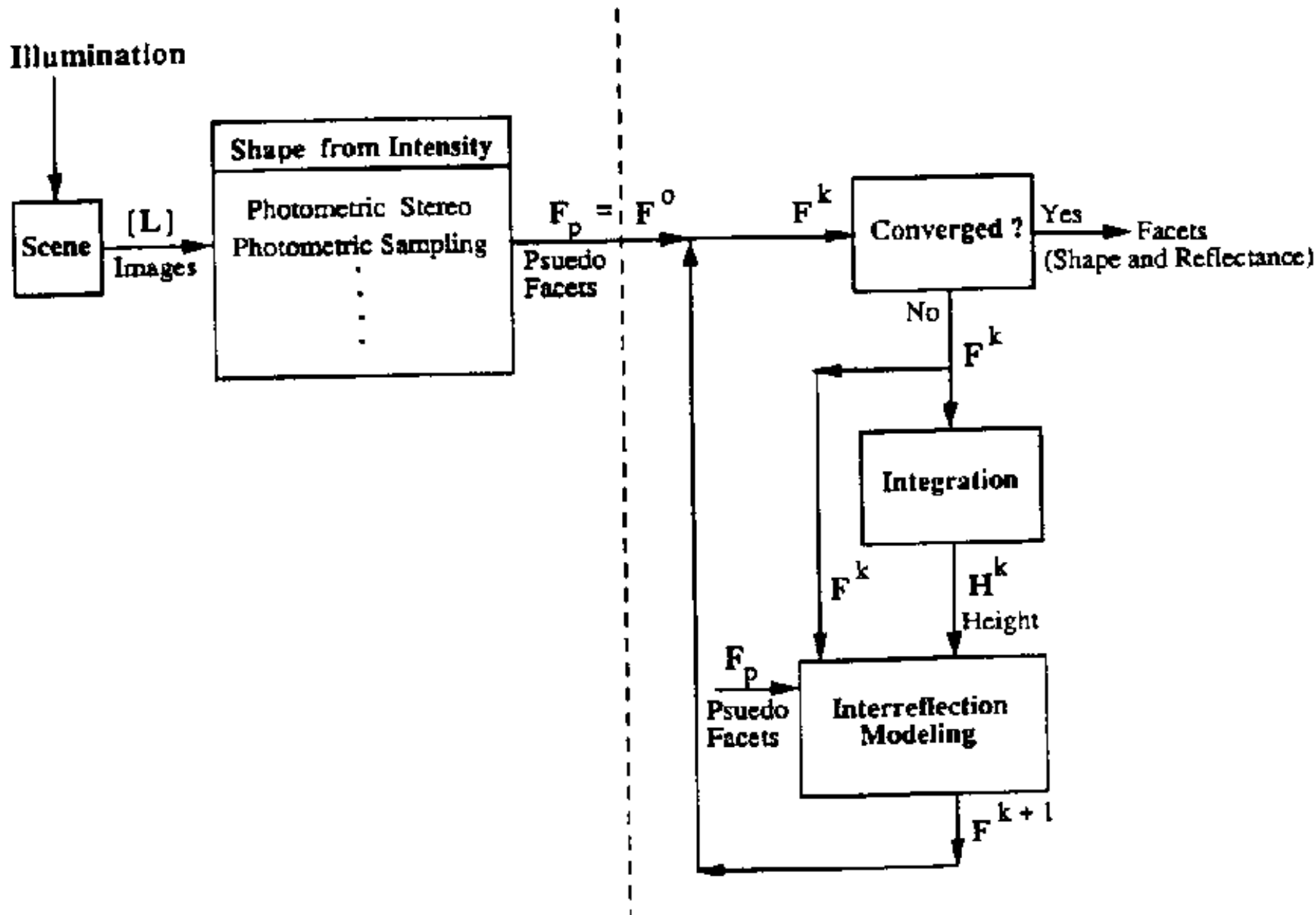


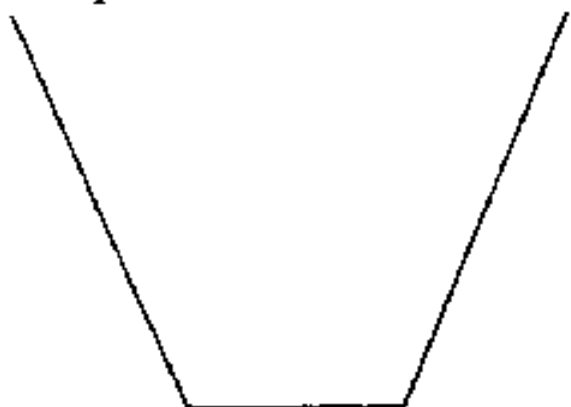
Figure 5: The shape and reflectance recovery algorithm.

# Important Assumptions and Observations

- Any shape-from-intensity method can be used.
- Assumes shape is continuous (for integrability).
- All facets contributing to interreflections must be visible to sensor.
- Facets are infinitesimal lambertian patches.
- Complexity:  $O(Mn^2)$  (M Iterations, n facets)
- Convergence shown for 2 facets.
- Does not always converge to the right facet for large tilt angles ( $> 70$ ).

Constant Reflectance Function  
( $\rho = 0.75$ ) (a)

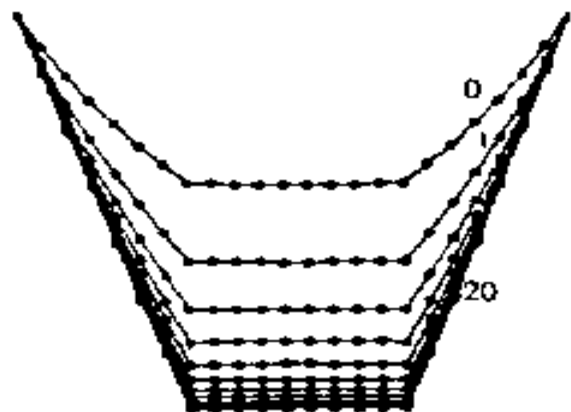
Actual Shape



Pseudo Shape

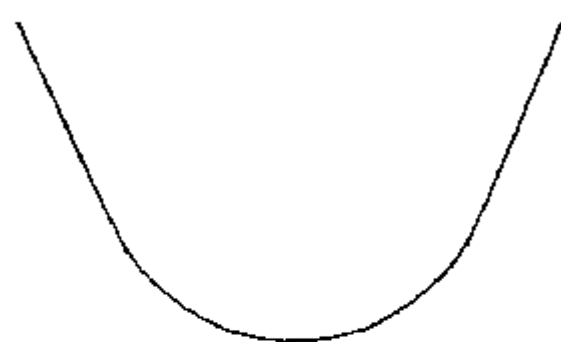


Recovery



Constant Reflectance Function  
( $\rho = 0.75$ ) (b)

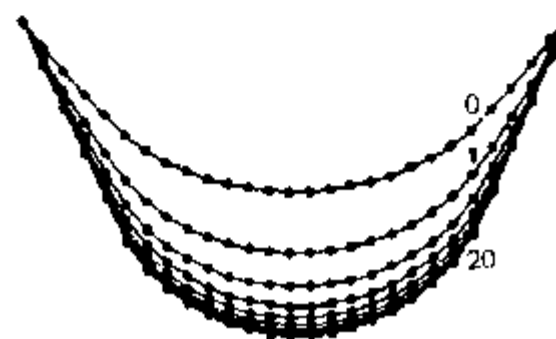
Actual Shape



Pseudo Shape

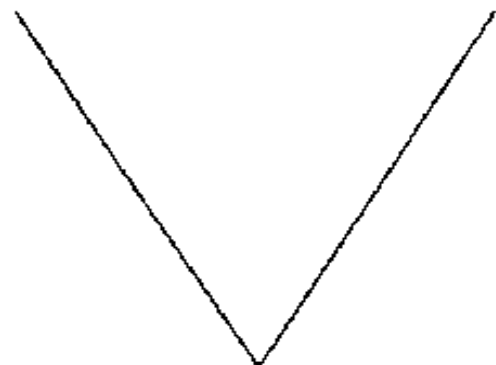


Recovery

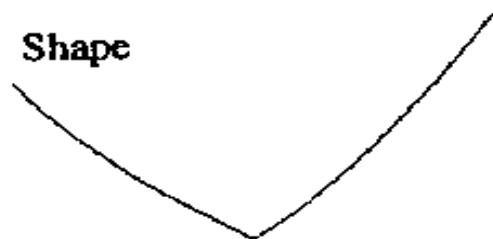




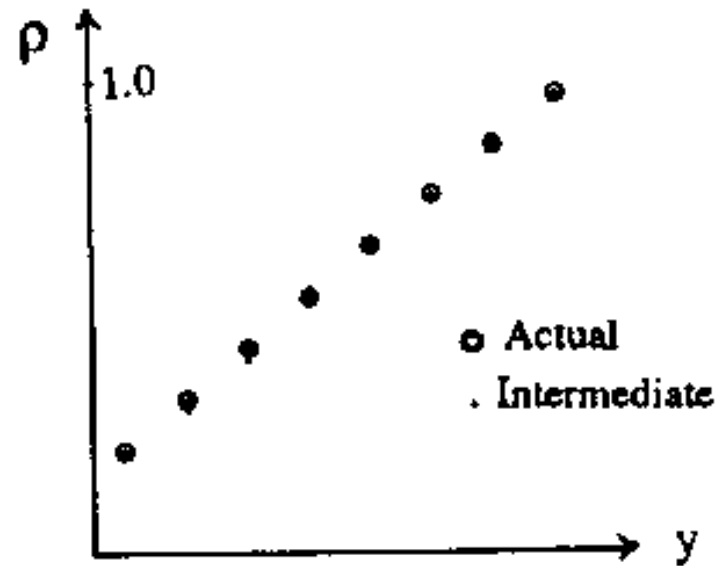
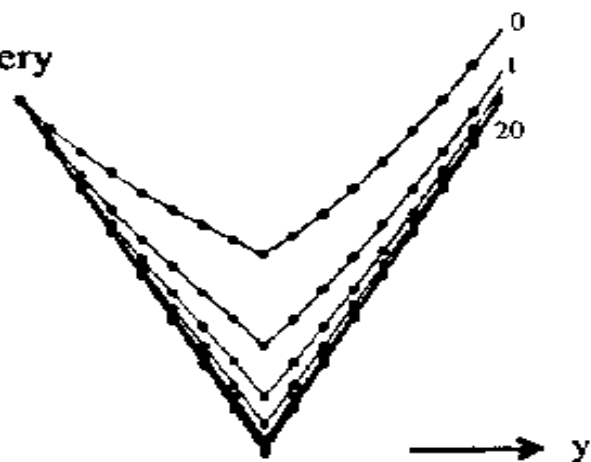
Actual Shape



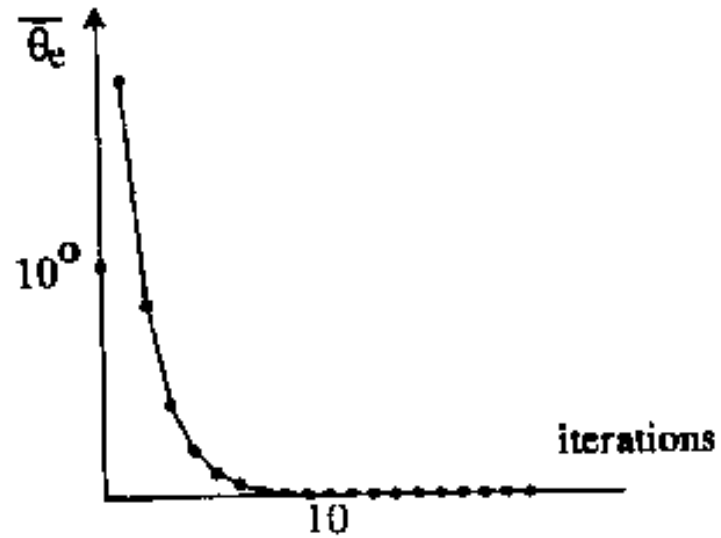
Pseudo Shape



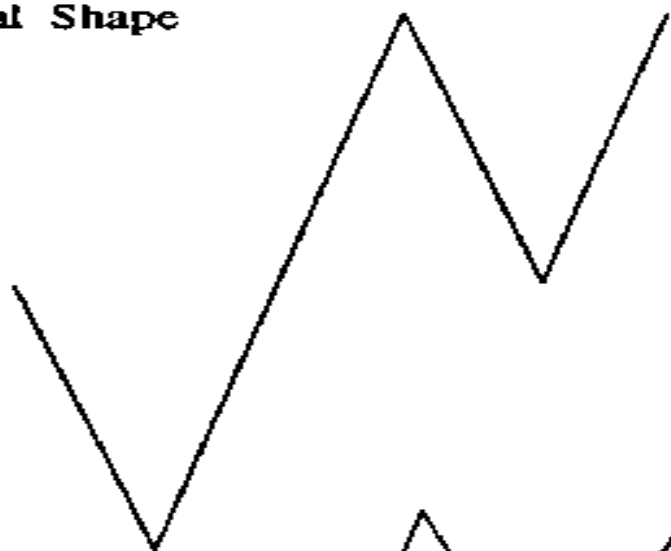
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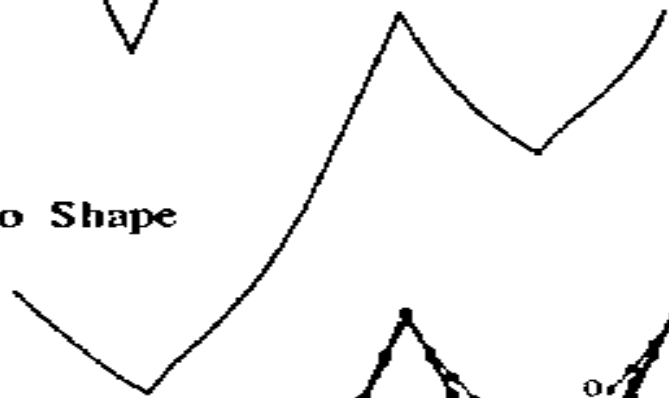
Convergence



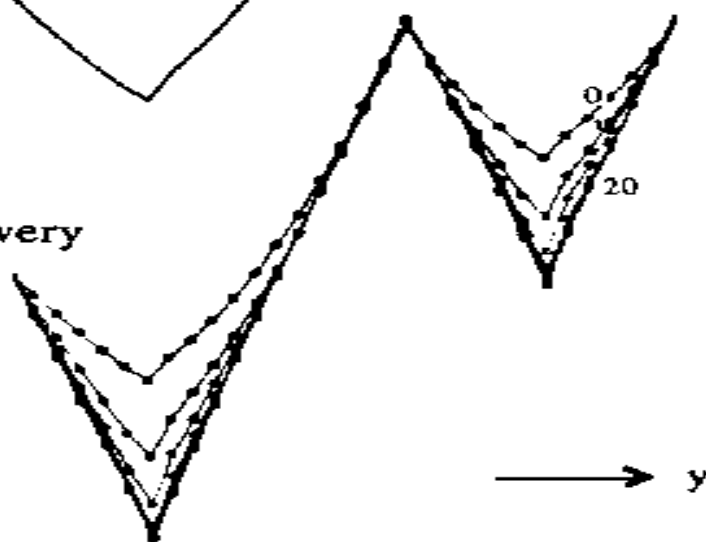
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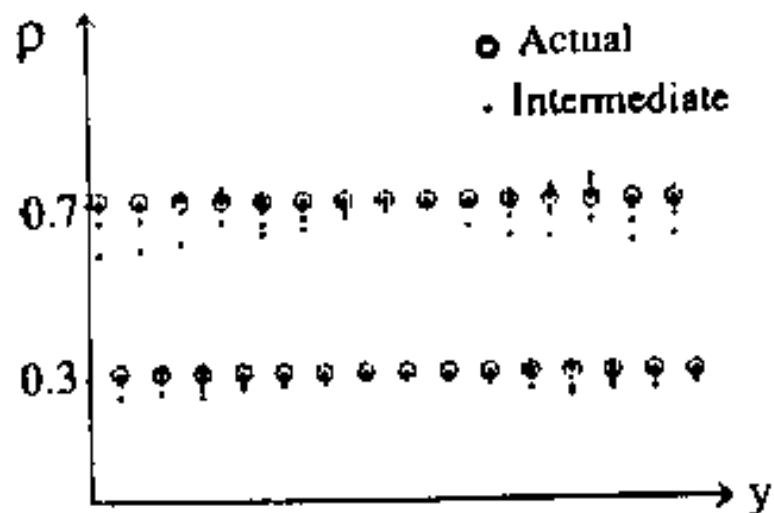
Pseudo Shape



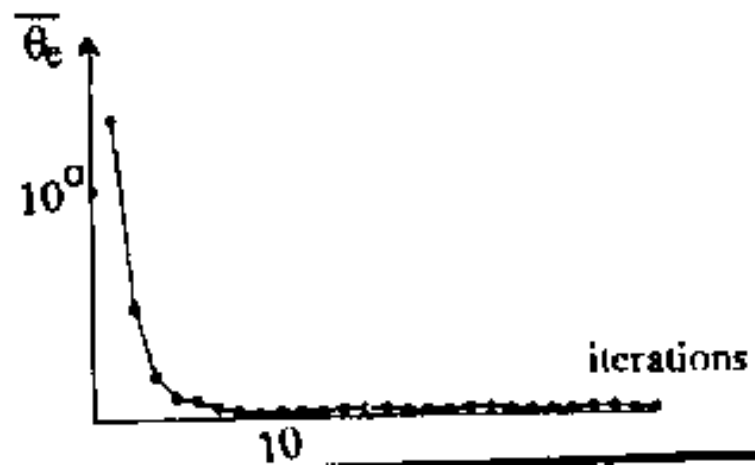
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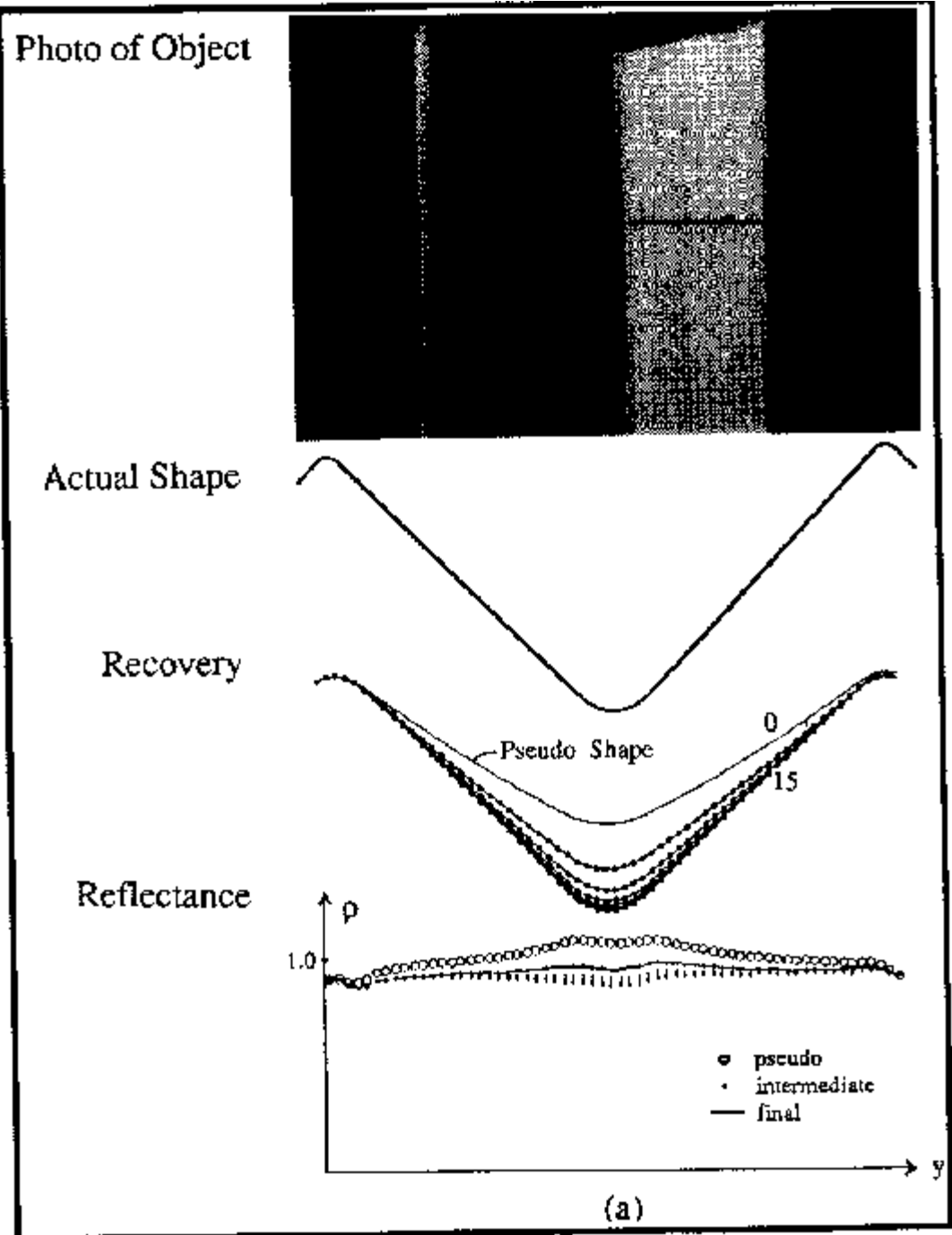
Reflectance



Convergence

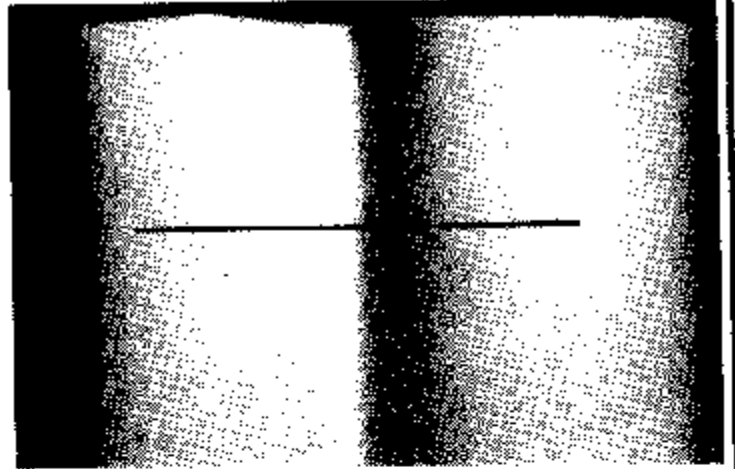


# 3D Objects with Translational Symmetry



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Photo of Object



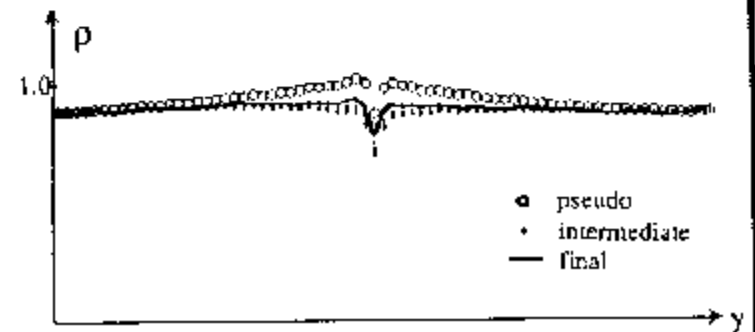
Actual Shape



Recovery



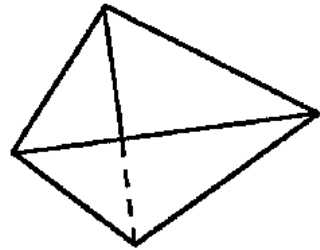
Reflectance



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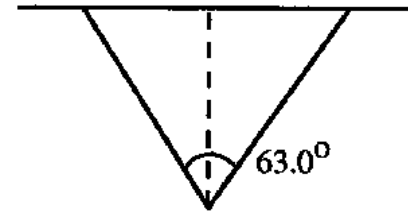
Inverted Pyramid (Figure 10)

Isometric View



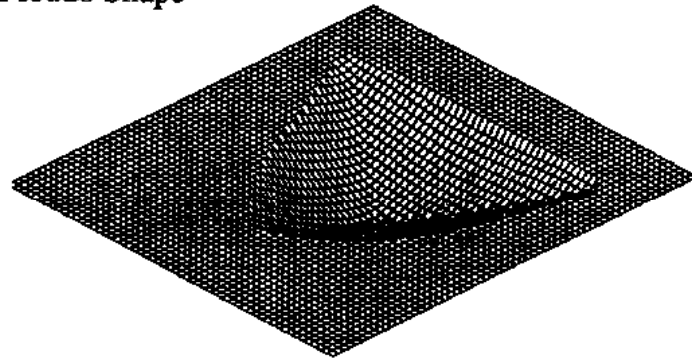
(a)

Side View

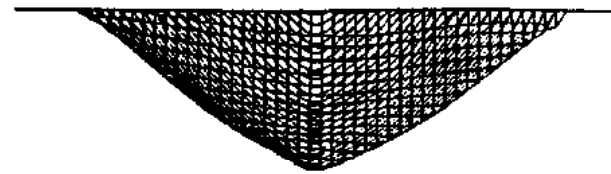


(d)

Pseudo Shape



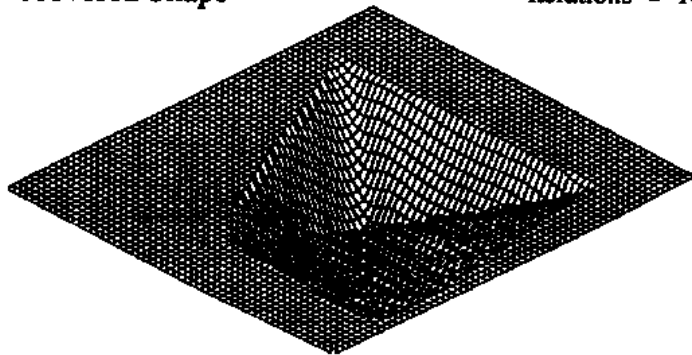
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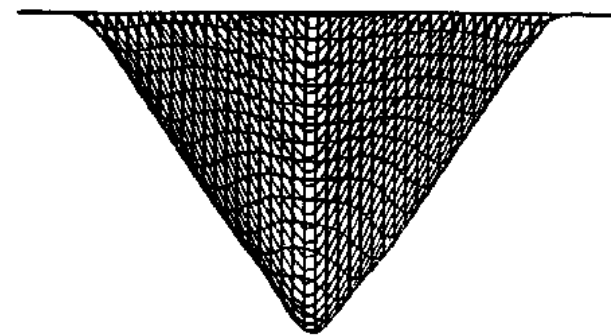
(e)

Recovered Shape

iterations = 10

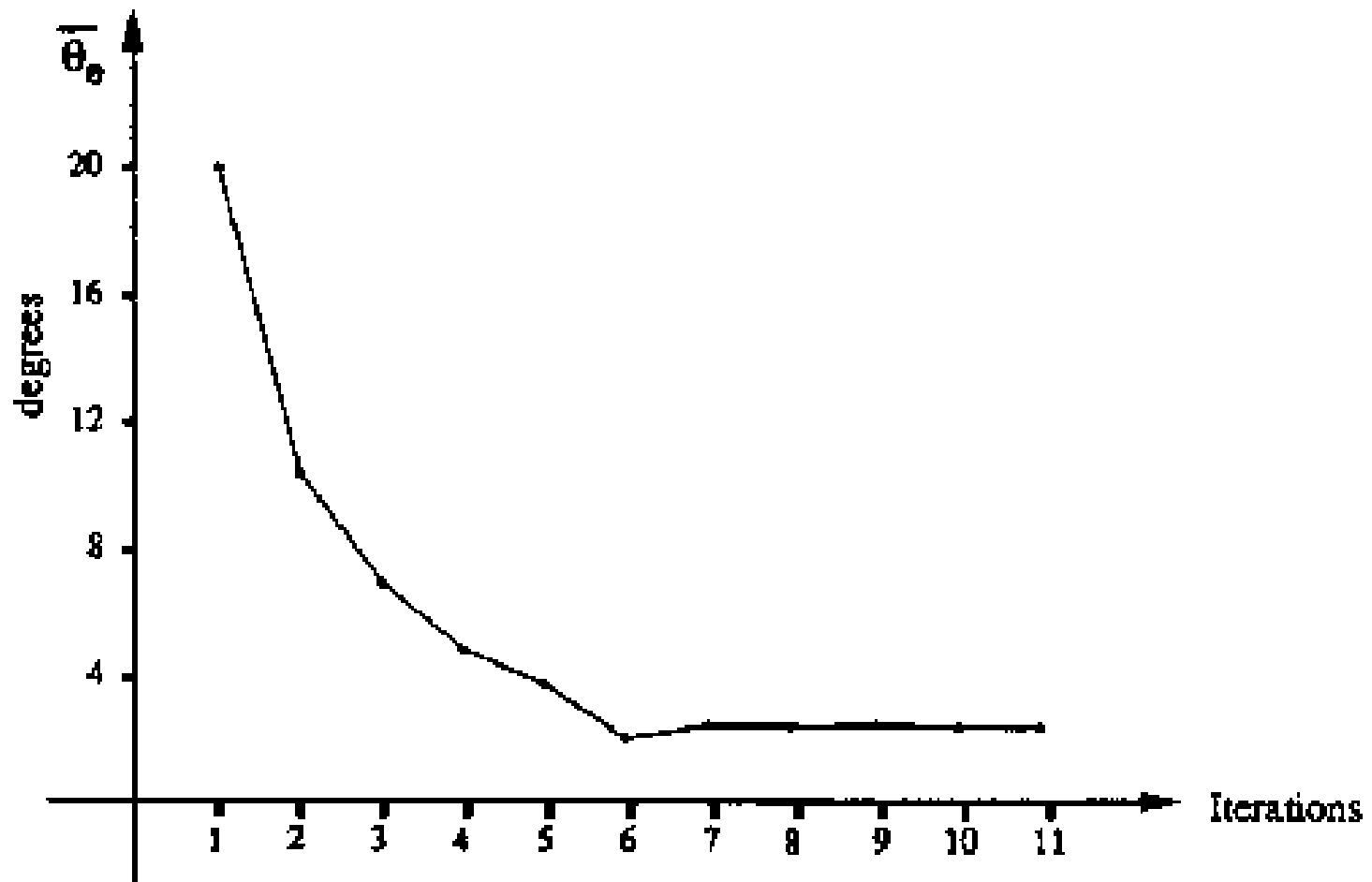


(c)



(f)

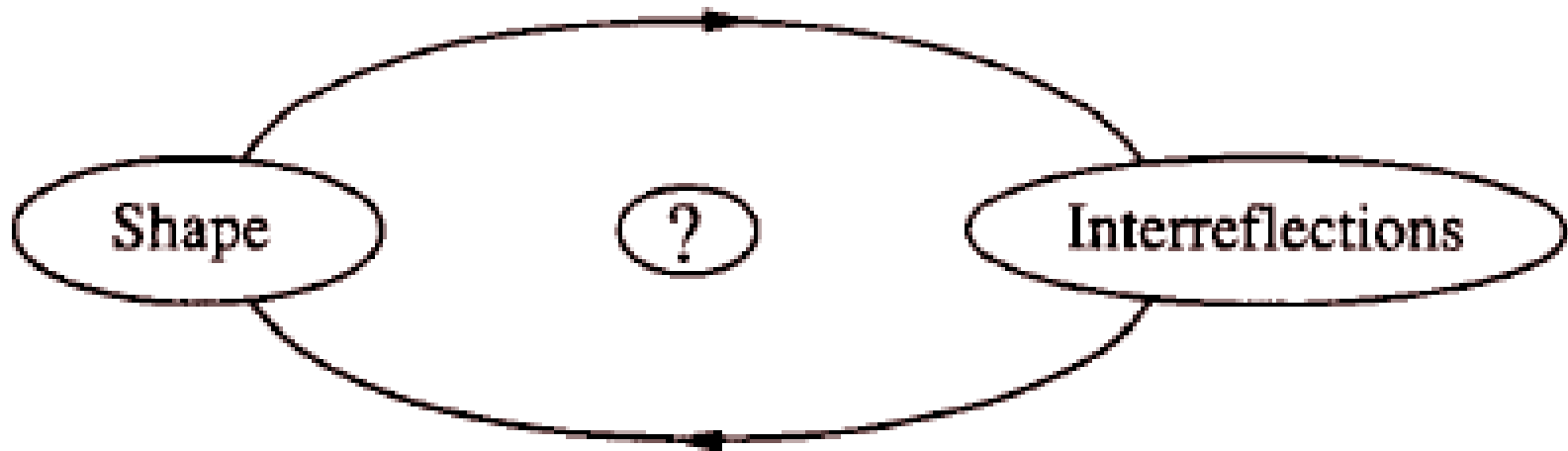
Mean Orientation Error



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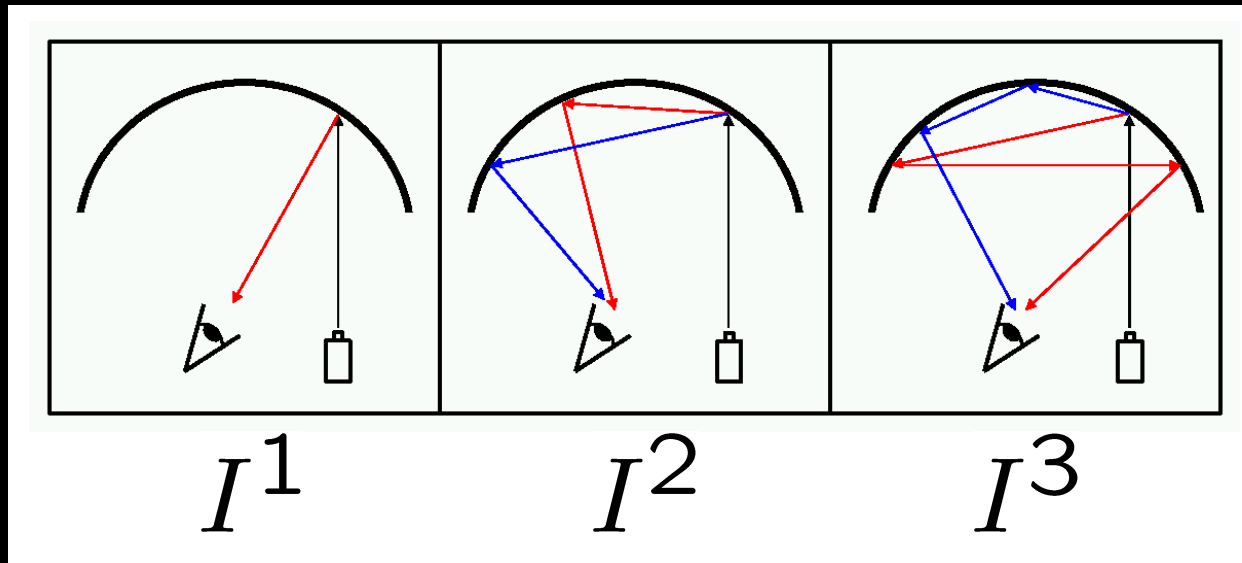
# Removing Interreflection



Images by Ward et al., SIGGRAPH 88



# Bounce Images



$$I = I^1 + I^2 + I^3 + \dots$$

# Main Results

There exists a matrix  $C^1$  that removes all interreflections in a photograph (or lightfield)

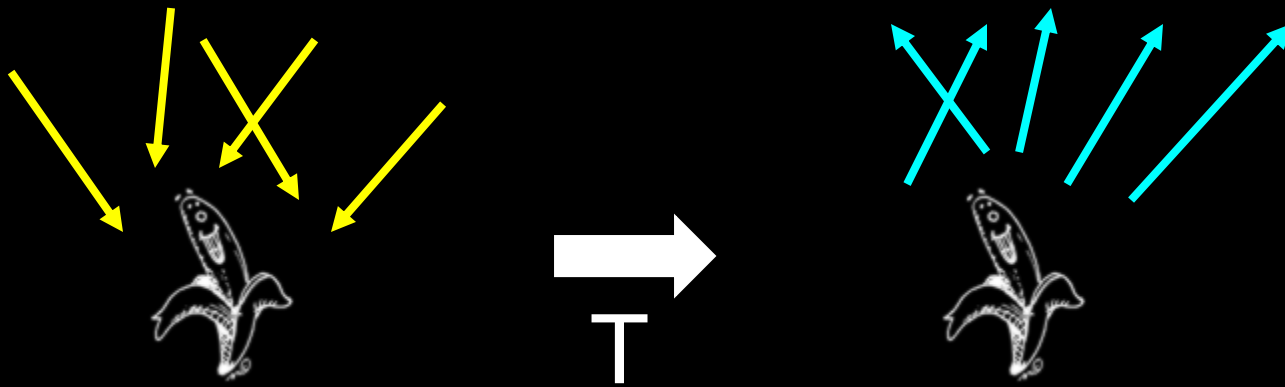
$$I^1 = C^1 I$$

Works for *any* illumination

There is a matrix  $C^k$  that retains only the  $k^{\text{th}}$  bounce

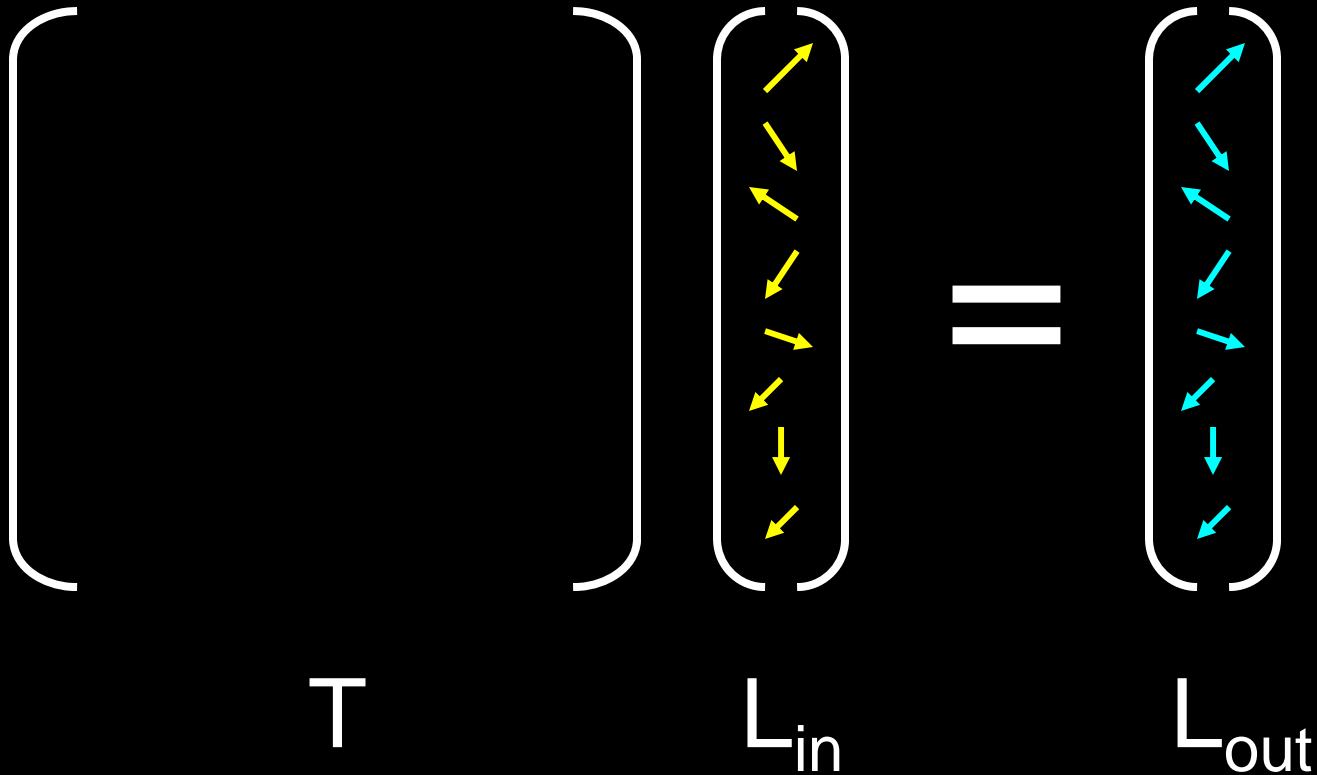
$$I^k = C^k I$$

# Light transport



$$\mathbf{L}_{out}[i] = \mathbf{L}_{out}^1[i] + \sum_j \mathbf{A}[i, j] \mathbf{L}_{out}[j]$$

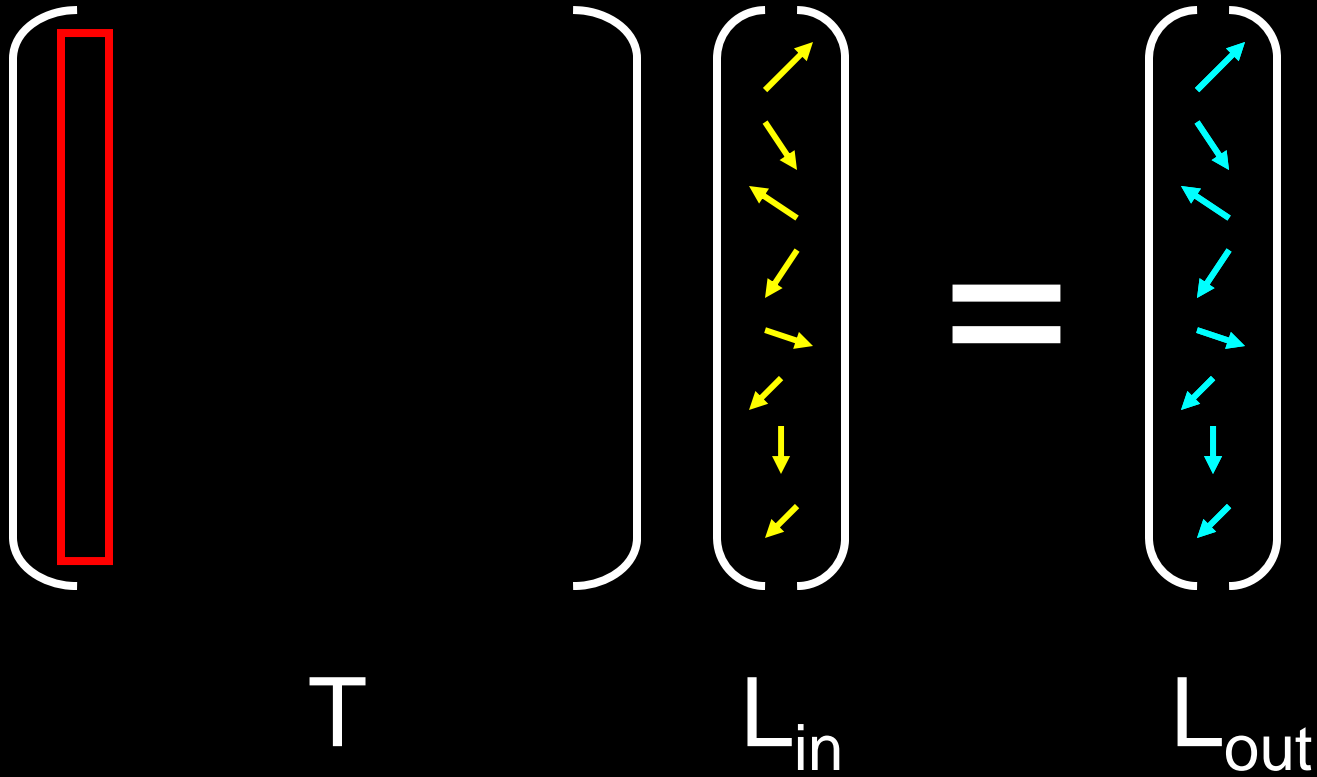
# The transport matrix



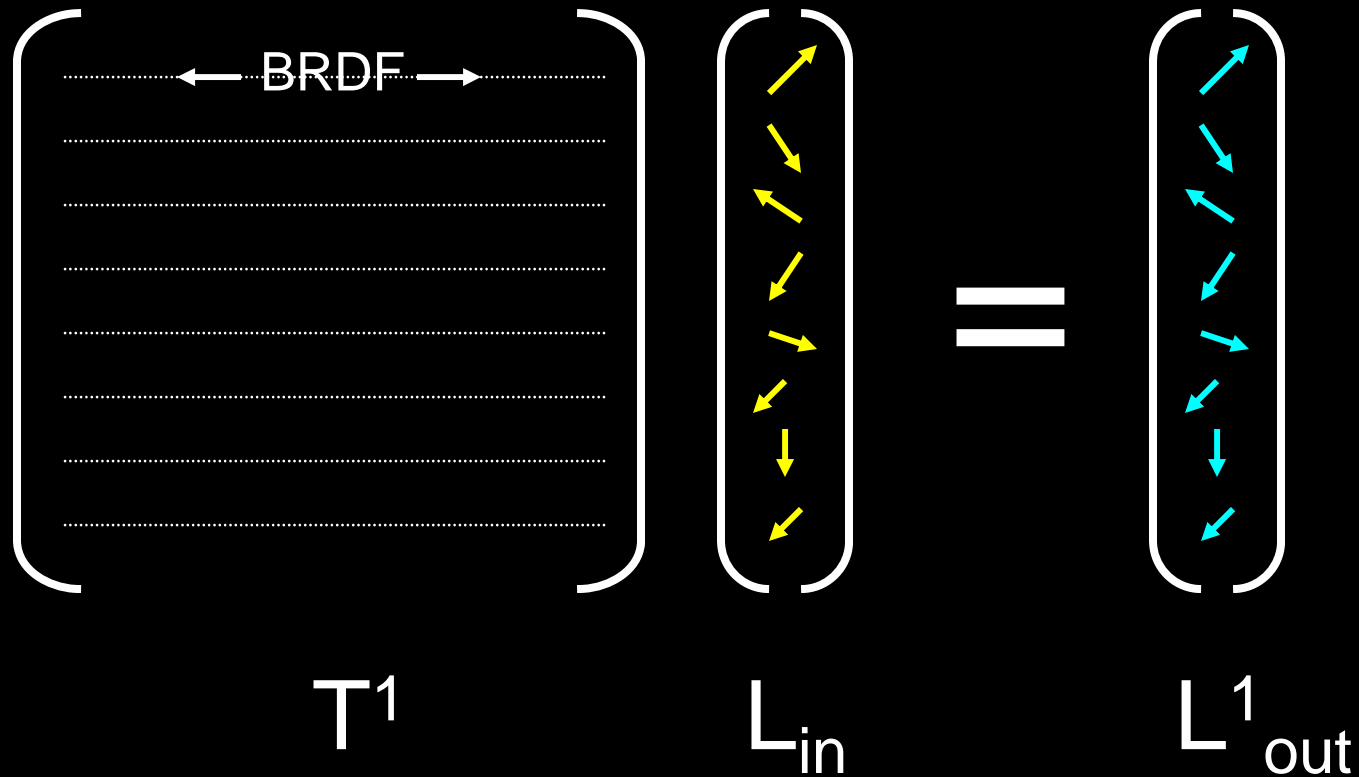
## Accounts for

- interreflections, shadows, refraction, subsurface scatter, ...
- [Dorsey 94] [Zongker 99] [Debevec 00] [Peers 03] [Goesele 05] [Sen 05] ...

# The transport matrix



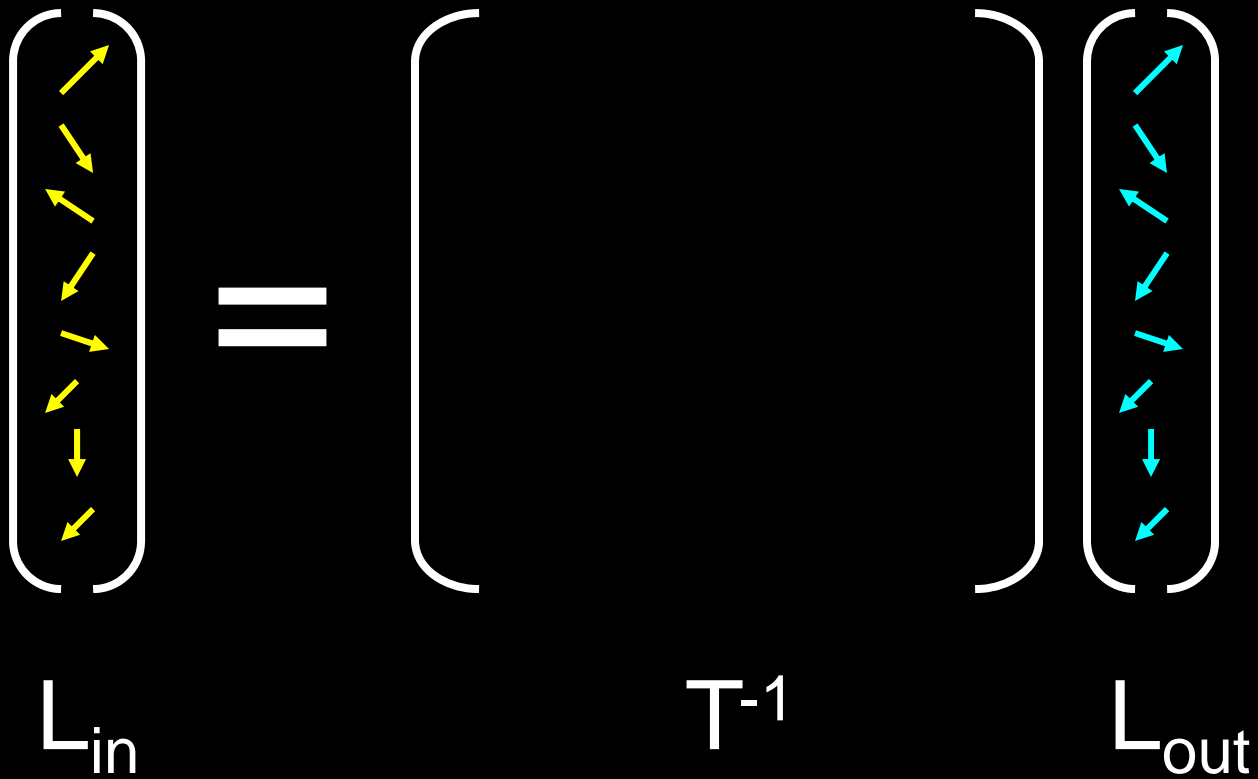
# Direct illumination rendering



Single bounce from light to eye

- no interreflections

# Inverse rendering



# Removing Interreflections

$$L_{out}^1 = \left[ T^1 \right] \left[ T^{-1} \right] L_{out}$$

$L_{out}^1$                        $C^1$                        $L_{out}$

## Second derivation:

- from the rendering equation [Kajiya 86] [Cohen 86]



# Cancellation Operators

Recursively define other operators

$$(I - C^1)$$

– gives interreflected light

$$C^2 = C^1 (I - C^1)$$

– gives second bounce of light

$$C^k = C^1 (I - C^1)^{k-1}$$

– gives  $k^{\text{th}}$  bounce of light

**Inverse ray tracing!**

# How to compute $C^1$

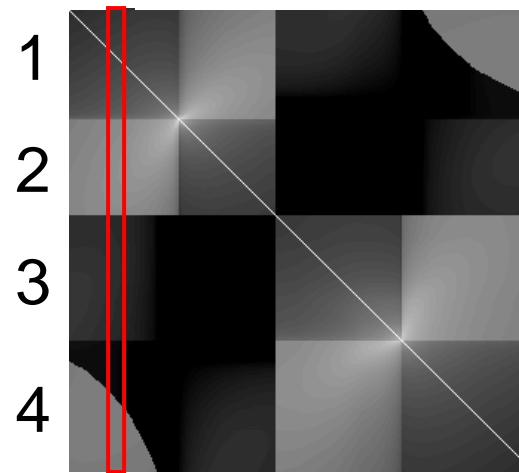
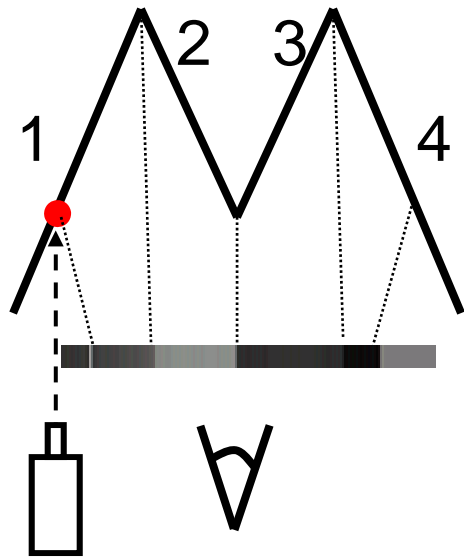
## Simplified case

- Lambertian reflectance and fixed viewpoint
- $L_{in}$  and  $L_{out}$  are 2D
- Can capture  $T$  by scanning a laser

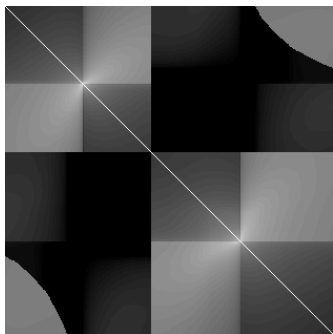
$$C^1 = T^1 T^{-1},$$

where  $T^1$  is a diagonal  $n \times n$  matrix containing the reciprocals of the diagonal elements of  $T^{-1}$ .

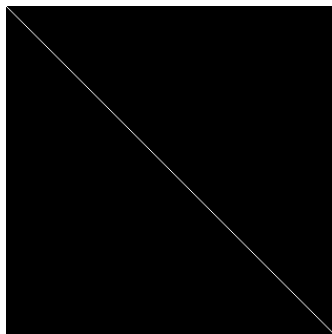
# Synthetic M Scene



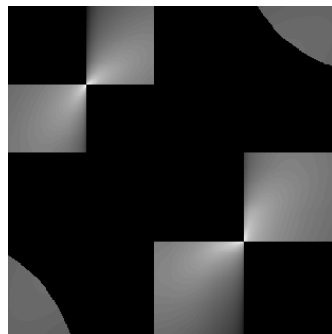
$T$  (log-scaled)



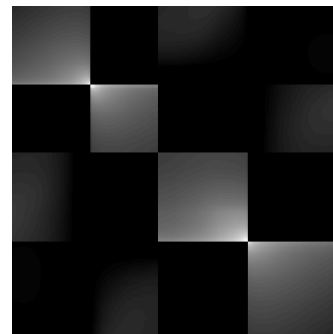
$T$



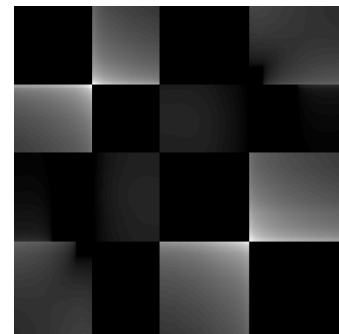
$C^1T$



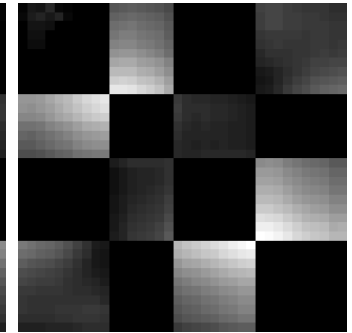
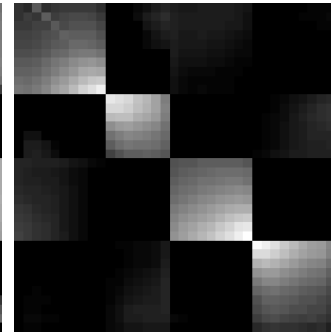
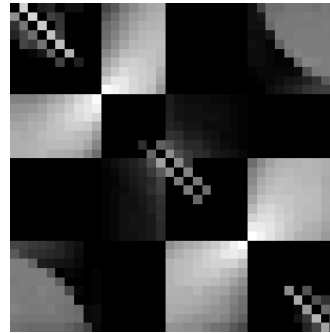
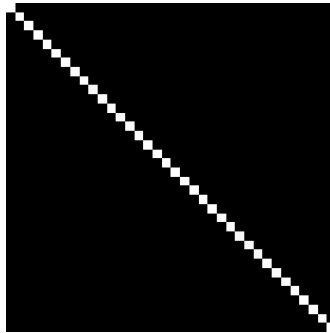
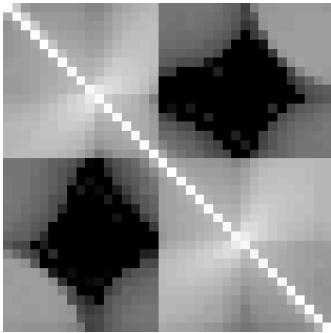
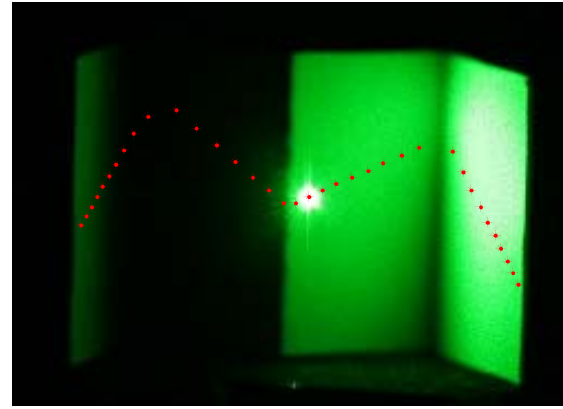
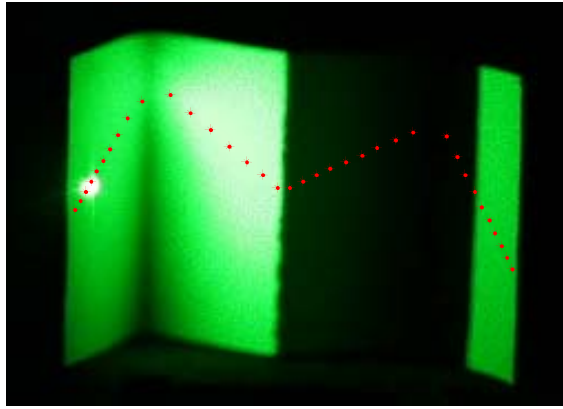
$C^2T$



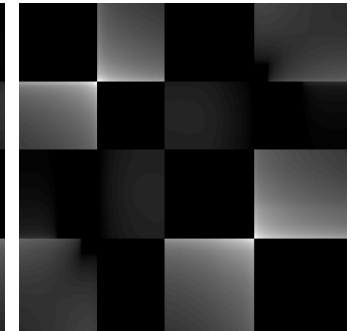
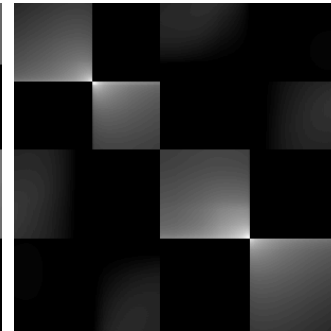
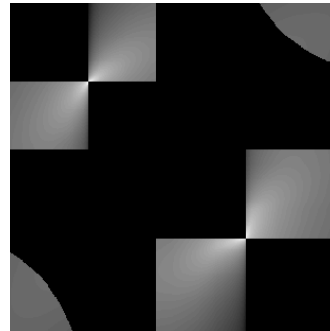
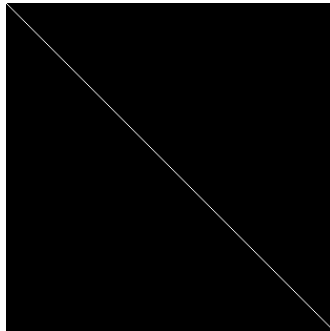
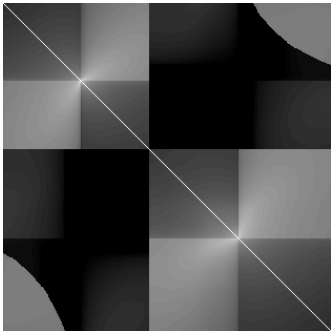
$C^3T$



$C^4T$



real data



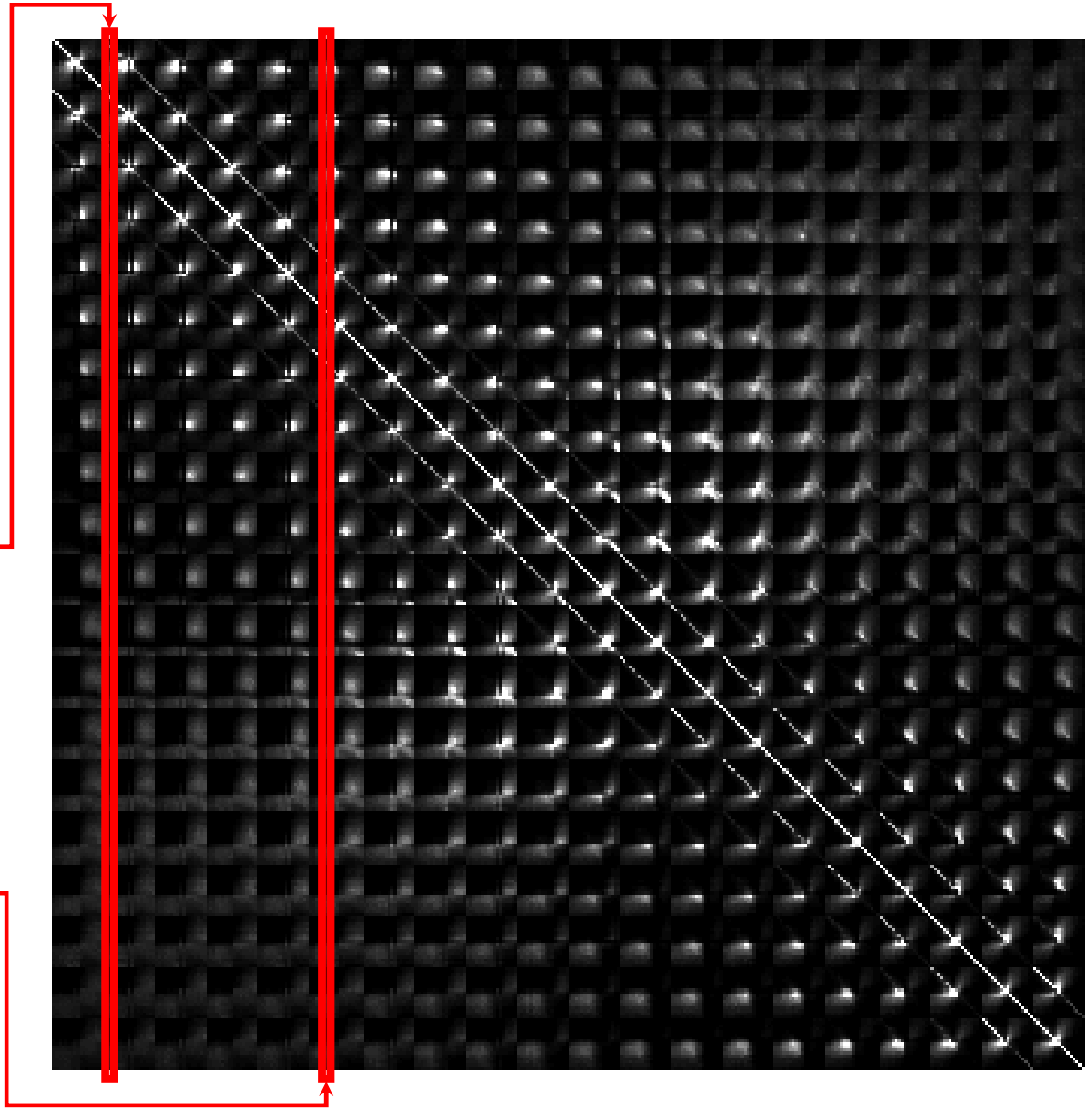
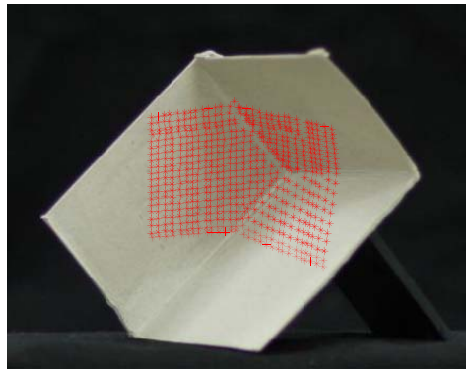
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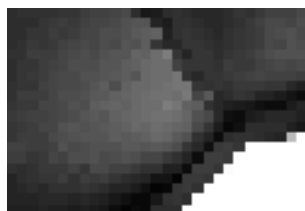
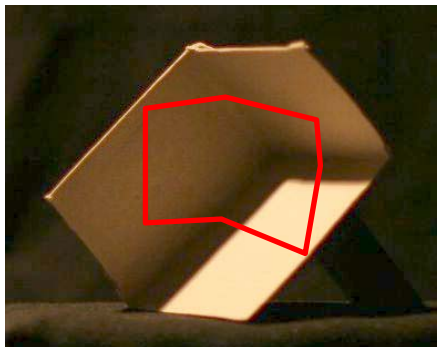
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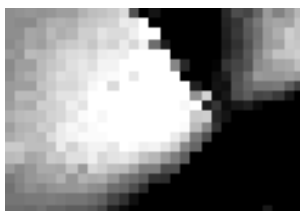




$I$



$I^1$



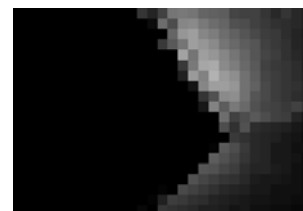
$I^2$   
(x3)



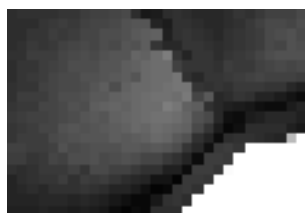
$I^3$   
(x3)



$I^4$   
(x6)



$I^5$   
(x15)

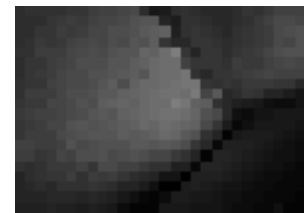


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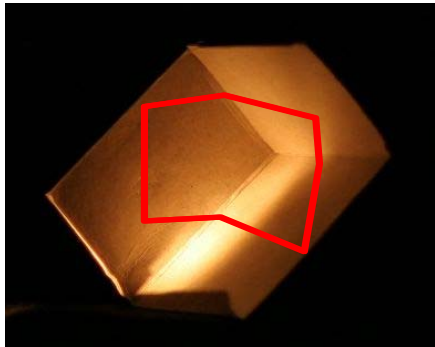


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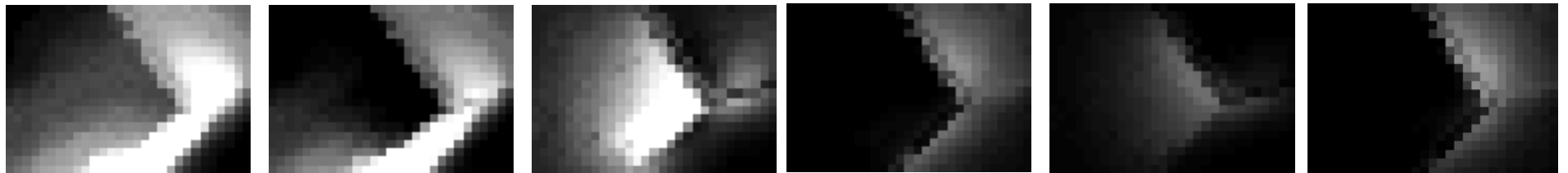
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indirect



flash light illumination



$I$

$I^1$

$I^2$

$I^3$

$I^4$

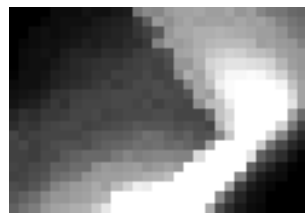
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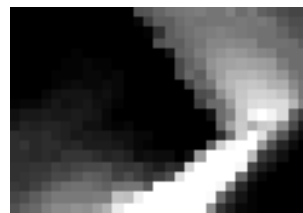
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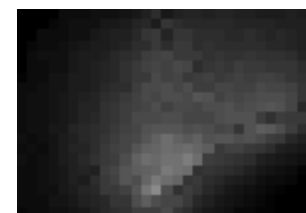
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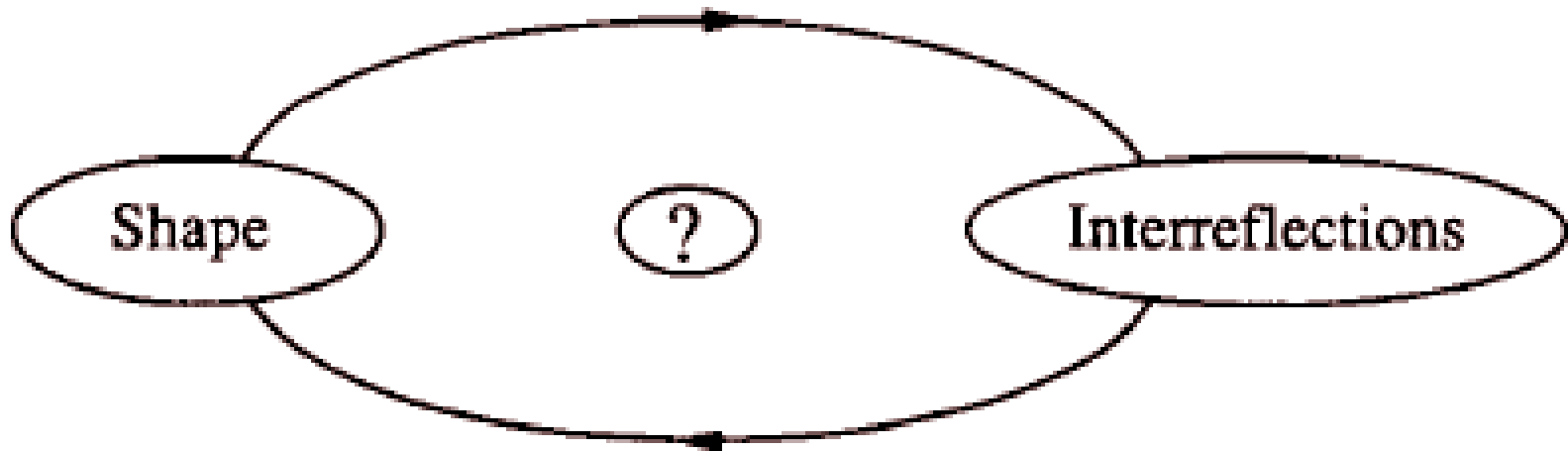
direct

indirect

# Shape and Interreflections: Chicken and Egg

- If we remove the effects of interreflections, we know how to compute shape.
- But, interreflections depend on the shape!!

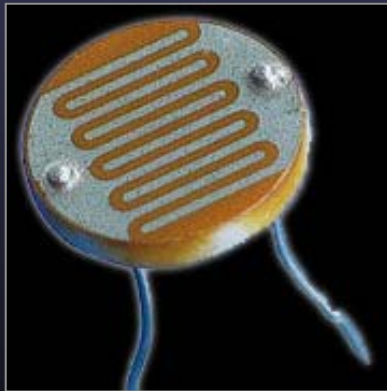
So, which comes first?





# Dual Photography

*Pradeep Sen, Billy Chen, Gaurav Garg, Steve Marschner,  
Mark Horowitz, Marc Levoy, Hendrik Lensch*



# Related imaging methods

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- time-of-flight scanner
  - if they return reflectance as well as range
  - but their light source and sensor are typically coaxial
- scanning electron microscope



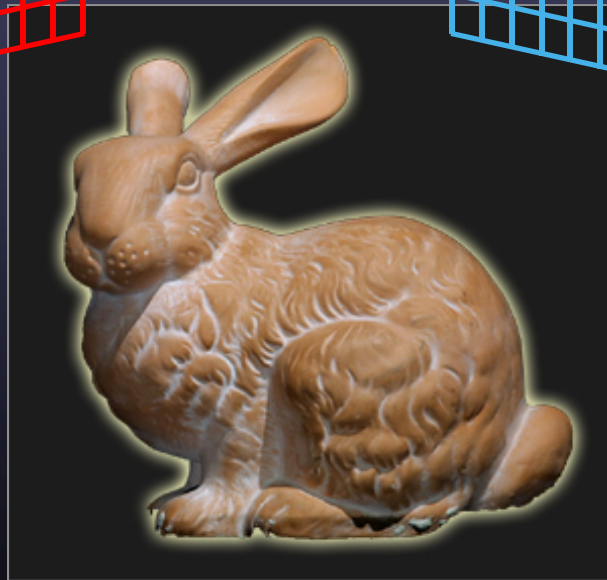
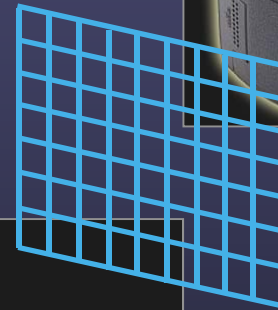
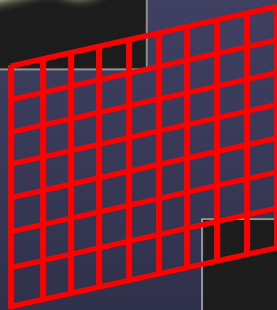
Velcro® at 35x magnification,  
Museum of Science, Boston

# The 4D transport matrix

projector



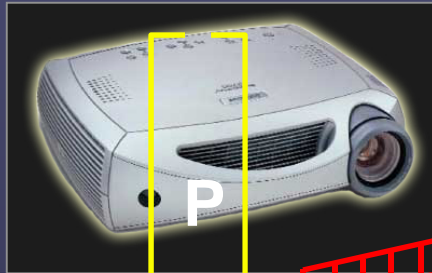
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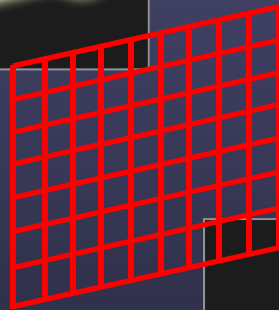
scene

# The 4D transport matrix

projector



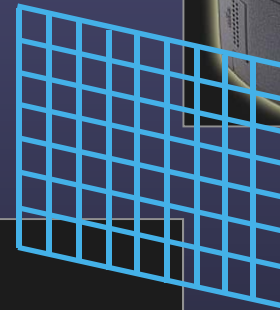
$pq \times 1$



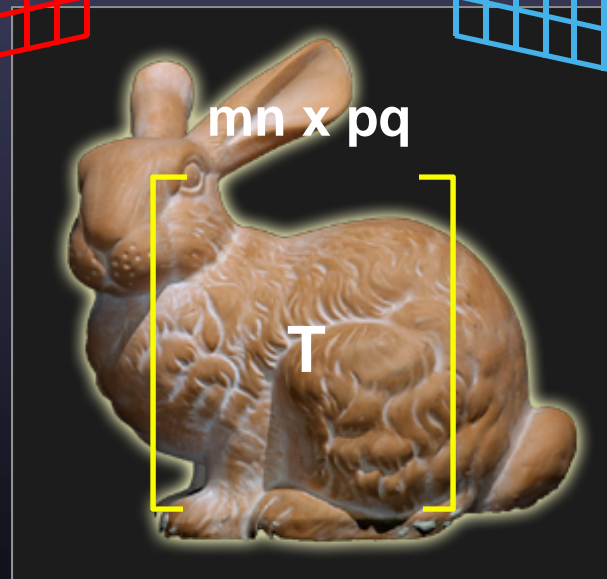
camera



$mn \times 1$



$mn \times pq$



scene

# The 4D transport matrix

$$\begin{array}{c} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{C} \end{array} \right] \\ mn \times 1 \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} mn \times pq \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{T} \end{array} \right] \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{P} \end{array} \right] \\ pq \times 1 \end{array}$$

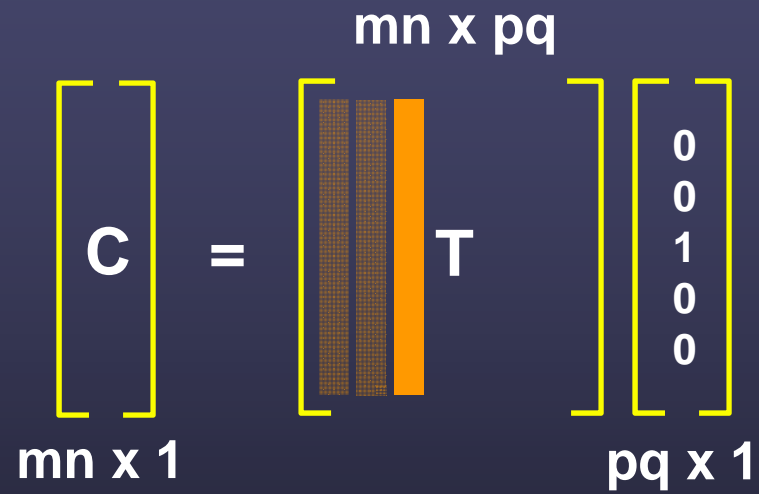
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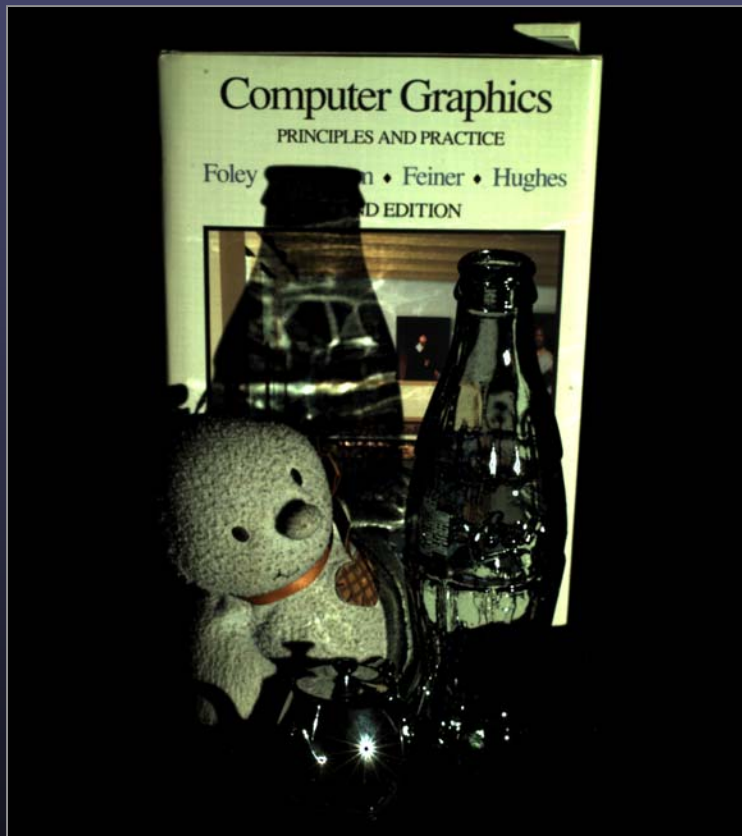
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applying Helmholtz reciprocity...

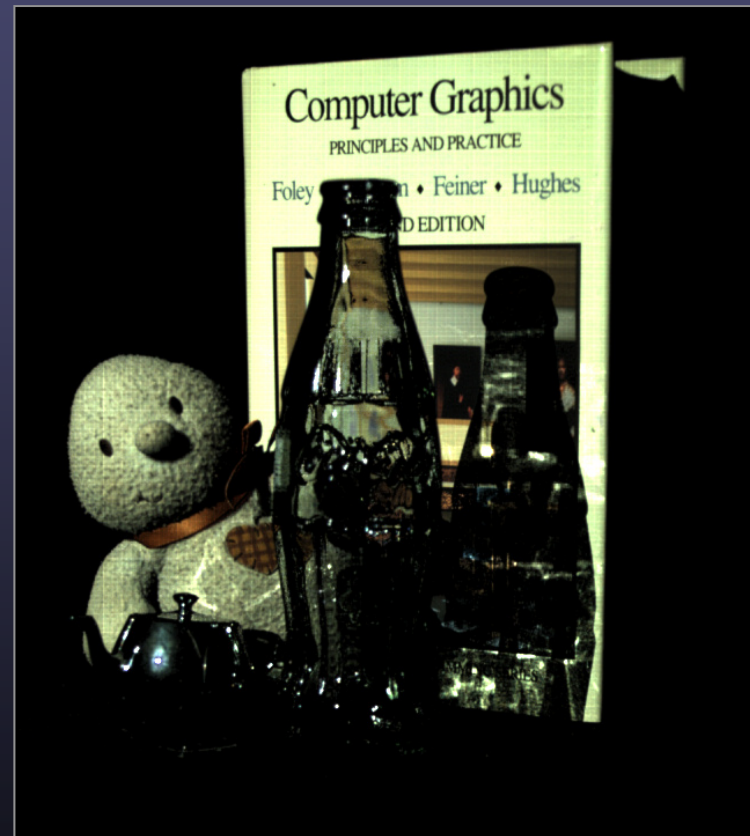
$$\begin{array}{c} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{C}' \end{array} \right] \\ pq \times 1 \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} pq \times mn \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{T}^T \end{array} \right] \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{P}' \end{array} \right] \\ mn \times 1 \end{array}$$

# Example

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conventional photograph  
with light coming from right



dual photograph  
as seen from projector's position

# Properties of the transport matrix

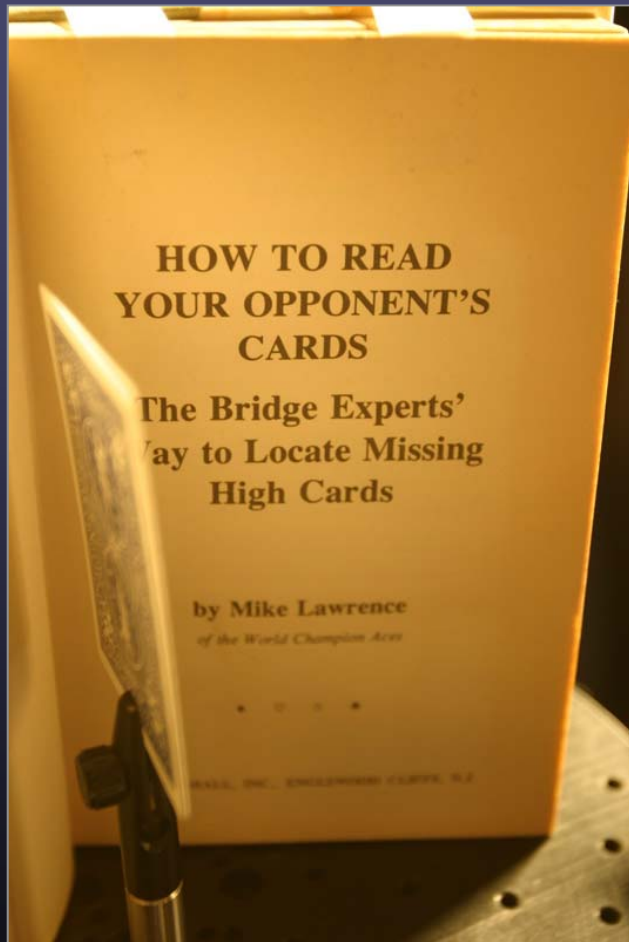
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- little interreflection  $\rightarrow$  sparse matrix
- many interreflections  $\rightarrow$  dense matrix
- convex object  $\rightarrow$  diagonal matrix
- concave object  $\rightarrow$  full matrix

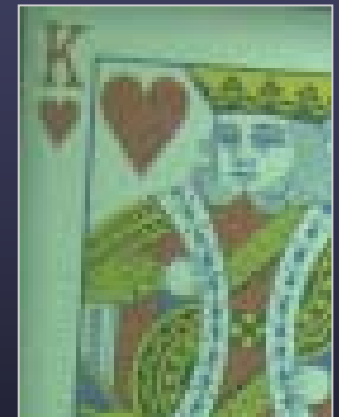
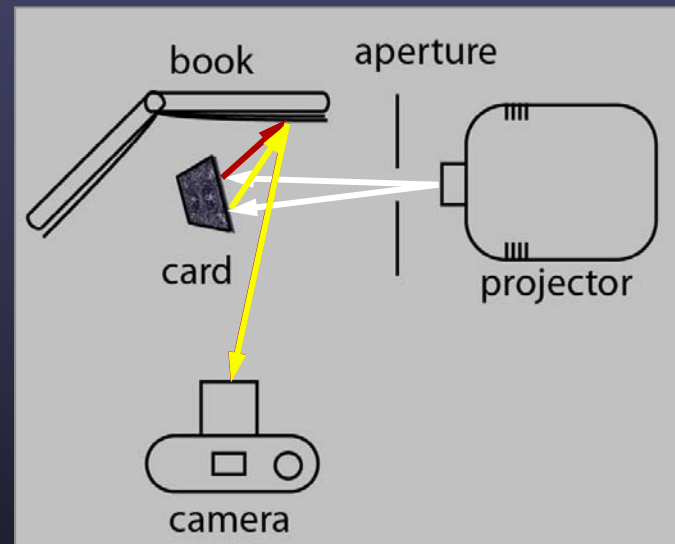
*Can we create a dual photograph entirely from diffuse reflections?*

# Dual photography from diffuse reflections

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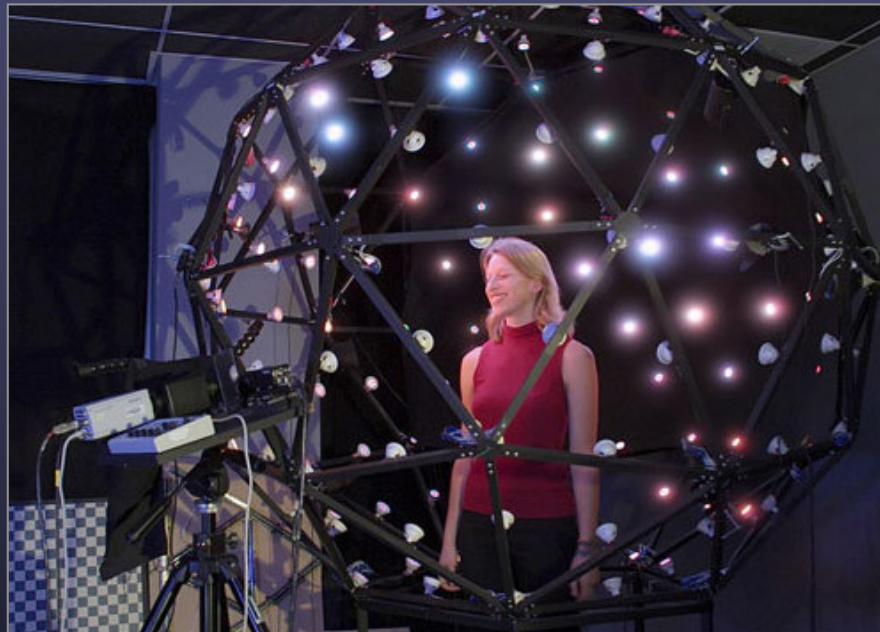


the camera's view



# The relighting problem

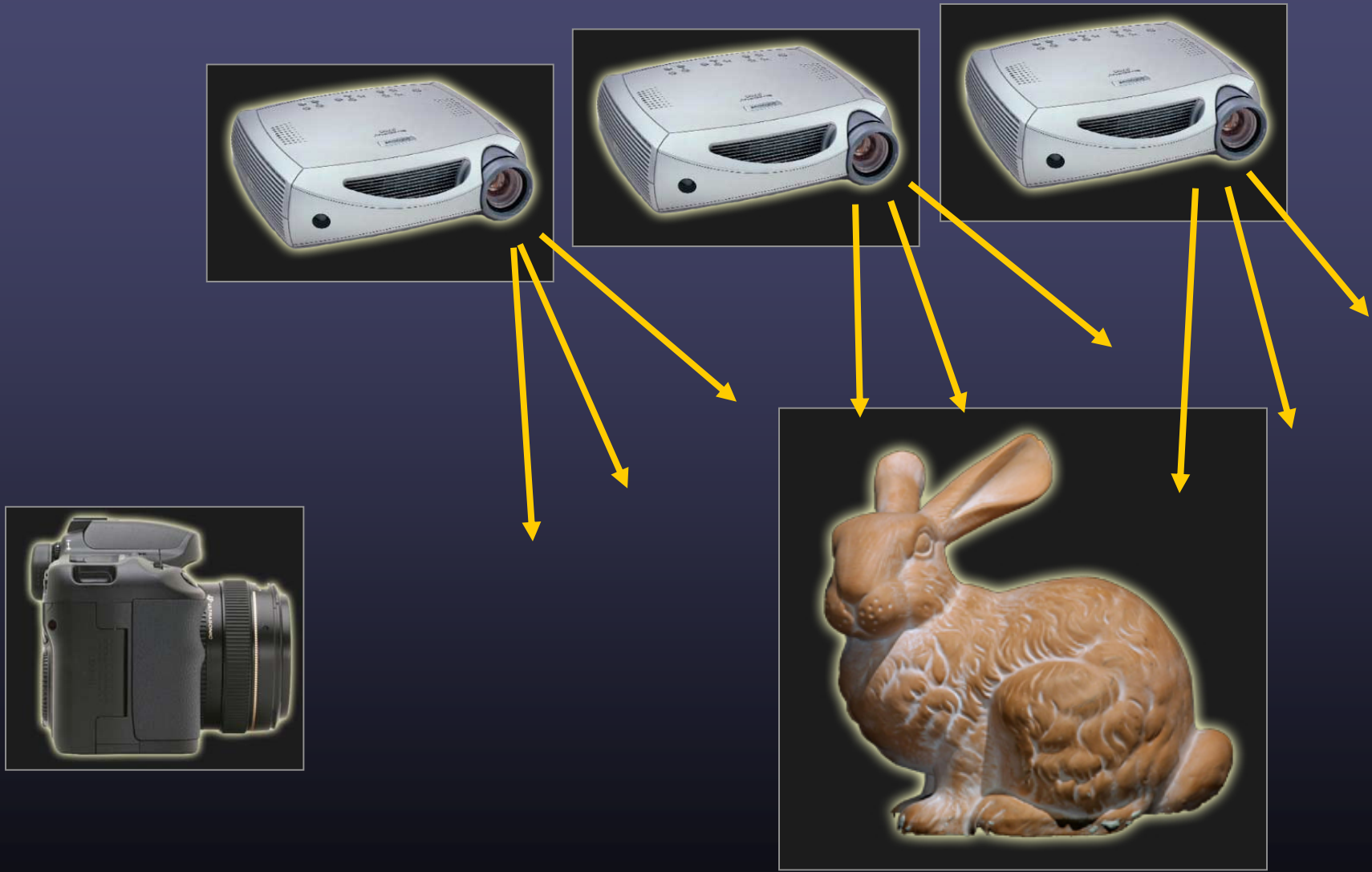
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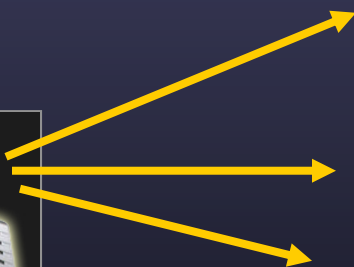
Paul Debevec's  
Light Stage 3

- subject captured under multiple lights
- one light at a time, so subject must hold still
- point lights are used, so can't relight with cast shadows

# The 6D transport matrix



# The 6D transport matrix





# The advantage of dual photography

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- capture of a scene as illuminated by different lights cannot be parallelized
- capture of a scene as viewed by different cameras can be parallelized

# Measuring the 6D transport matrix

projector



cameraarray



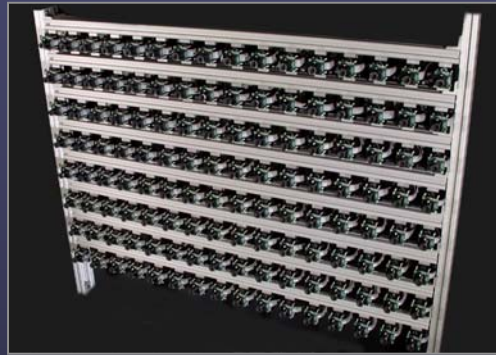
scene

# Relighting with complex illumination

projector



camera array



scene

$$\begin{matrix} & & pq \times mn \times uv \\ \left[ \begin{matrix} C' \end{matrix} \right] & = & \left[ \begin{matrix} T^T \end{matrix} \right] \left[ \begin{matrix} P' \end{matrix} \right] \\ pq \times 1 & & mn \times uv \times 1 \end{matrix}$$

- step 1: measure 6D transport matrix  $T$
- step 2: capture a 4D light field
- step 3: relight scene using captured light field

# Running time

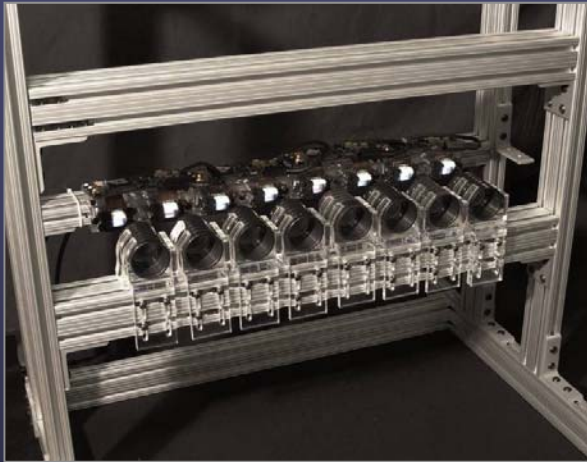
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- the different rays within a projector can in fact be parallelized to some extent
- this parallelism can be discovered using a coarse-to-fine adaptive scan
- can measure a 6D transport matrix in 5 minutes

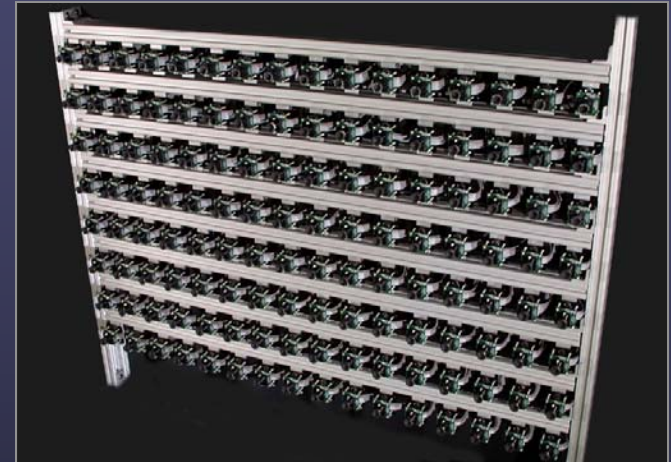


# Can we measure an 8D transport matrix?

projector array



camera array



scene