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Computational
Imaging



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Self Driving
Cars

Challenging
Weather

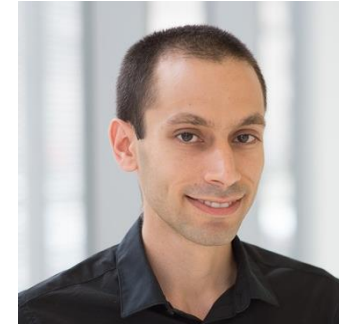


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Novel Sensors

Open
Problems



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LIDAR

Deep Learning

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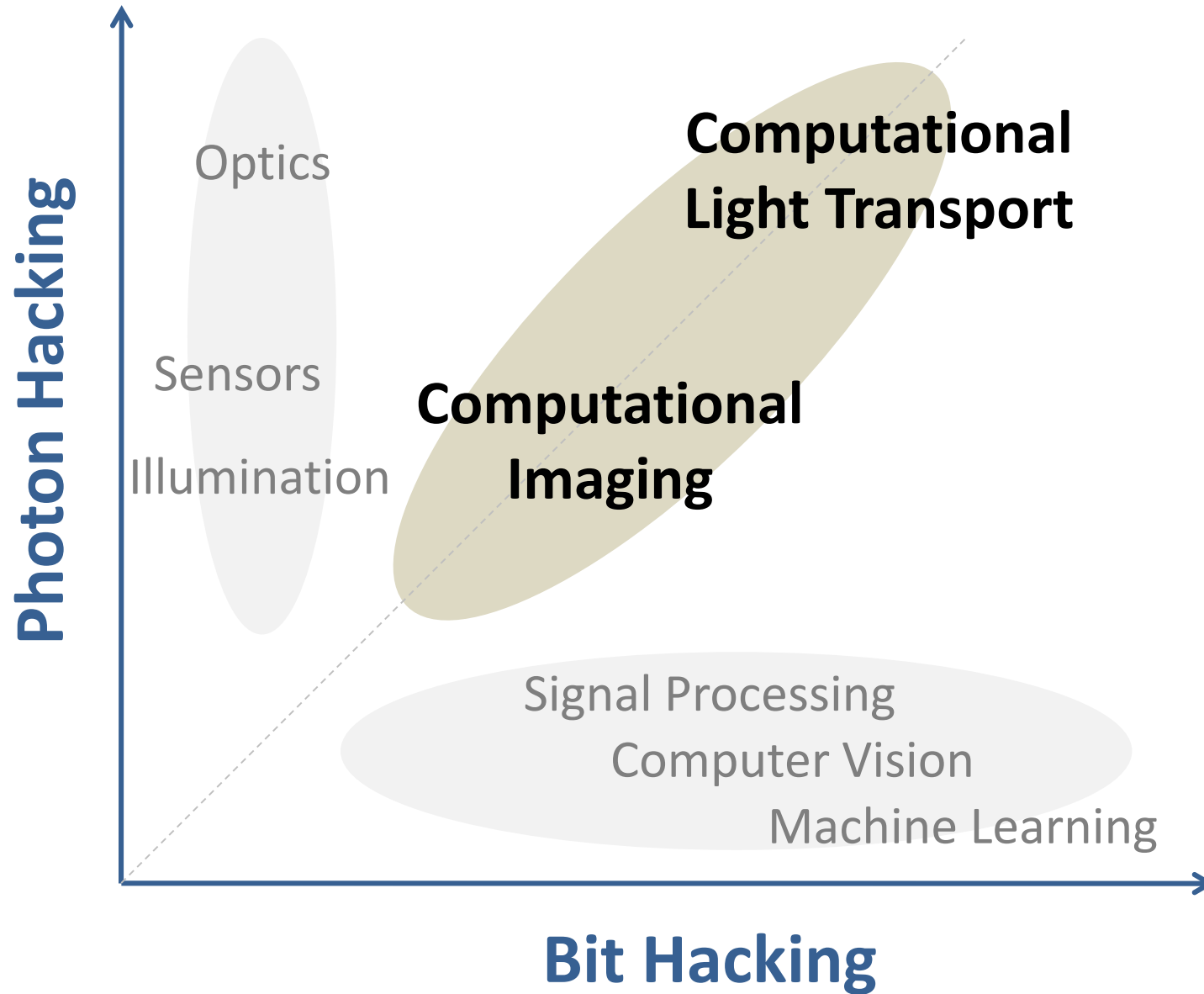
Radar sensors

Self-driving sensors



	Classification	Resolution	Localization	Cost	Any Weather
Radar	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓
Sonar	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓
Camera	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
LiDAR	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗





Plenoptic Light Transport

$$I(x, y) = \int_{\theta_1} \int_{\theta_2} \int_{\lambda} \int_{\rho} \int_t \Sigma_n I(x, y, \theta_1, \theta_2, \lambda, \rho, t, n)$$

Viewpoint Diversity
(Light Field Cam)

Wavelength Diversity
(Hyperspectral Cam)

Polarization Diversity
(Photos, Shape, Scatter)

Time of Flight
(3D, Scattering)

Bounce Index
(Scattering)

Shower Curtain: Diffuser



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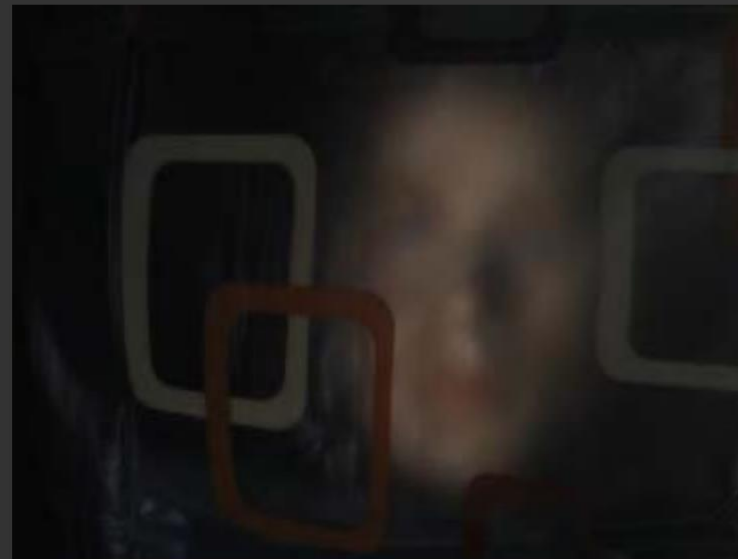
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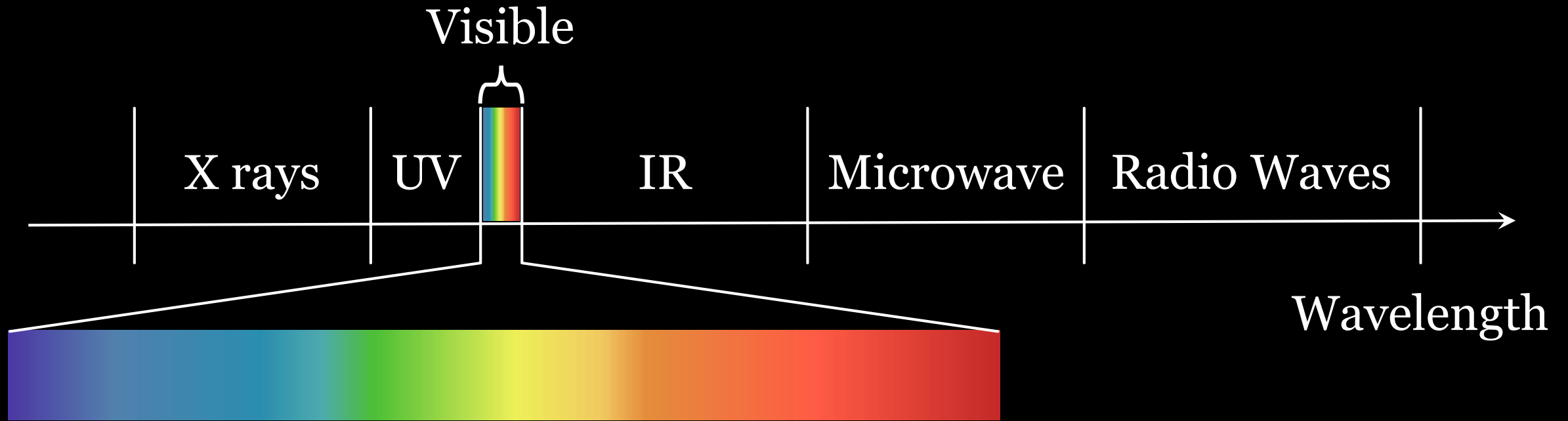
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Direct



Global



- Resolution
- Optical Contrast
- Non ionizing
- Availability of fluorophores

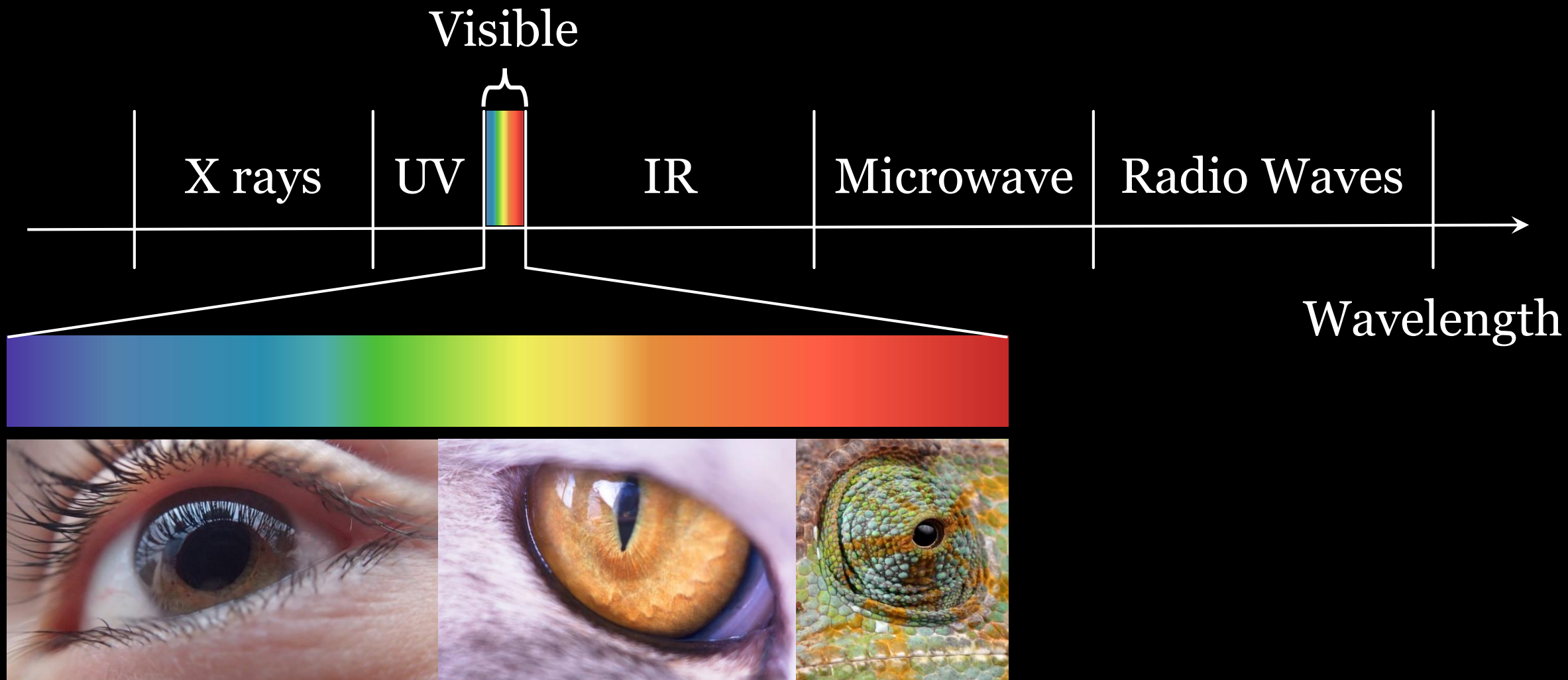
Optical Contrast

Visible light



X-Ray

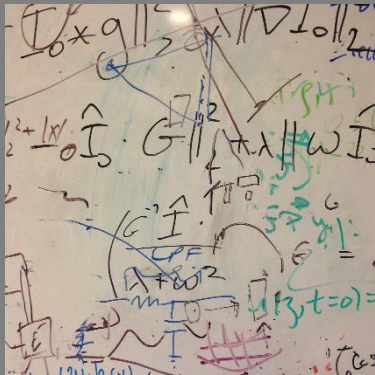
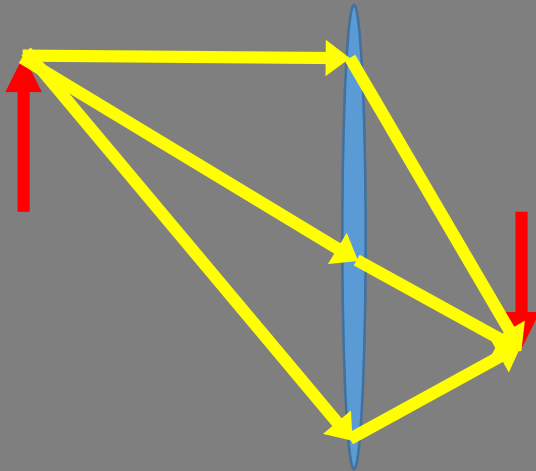




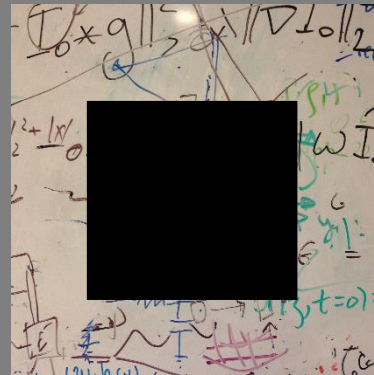
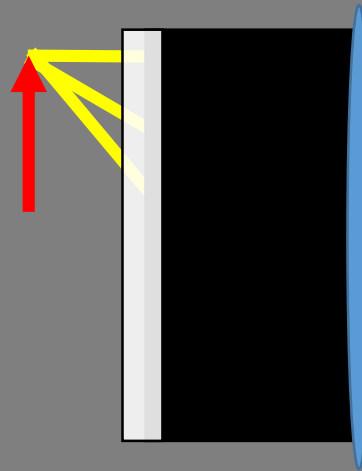
Light Interaction

Object

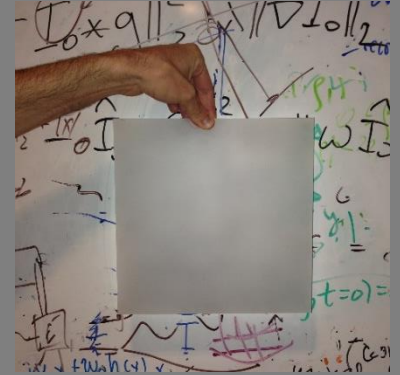
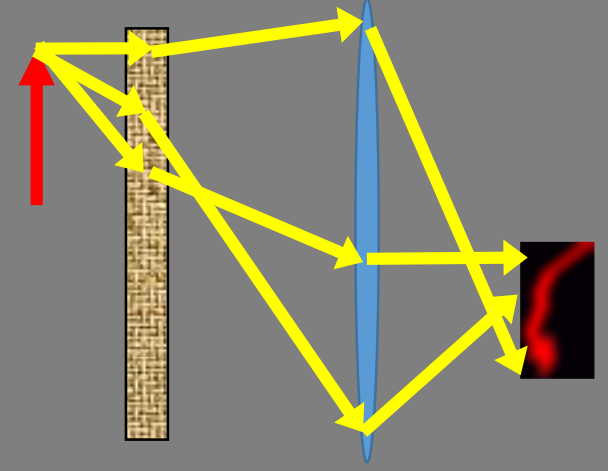
Lens



Absorption



Scattering



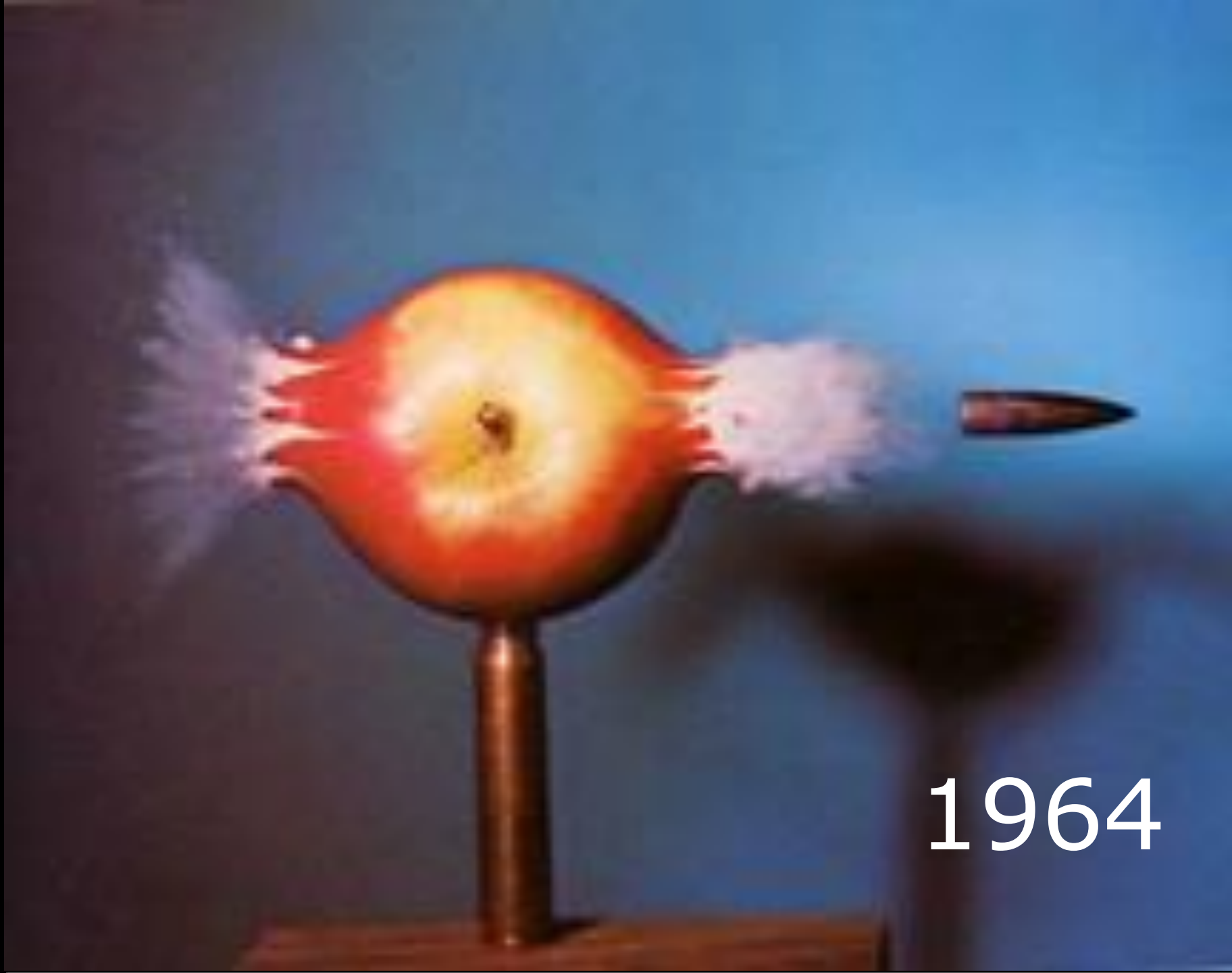
Diffraction

Dynamic Range

Descattering

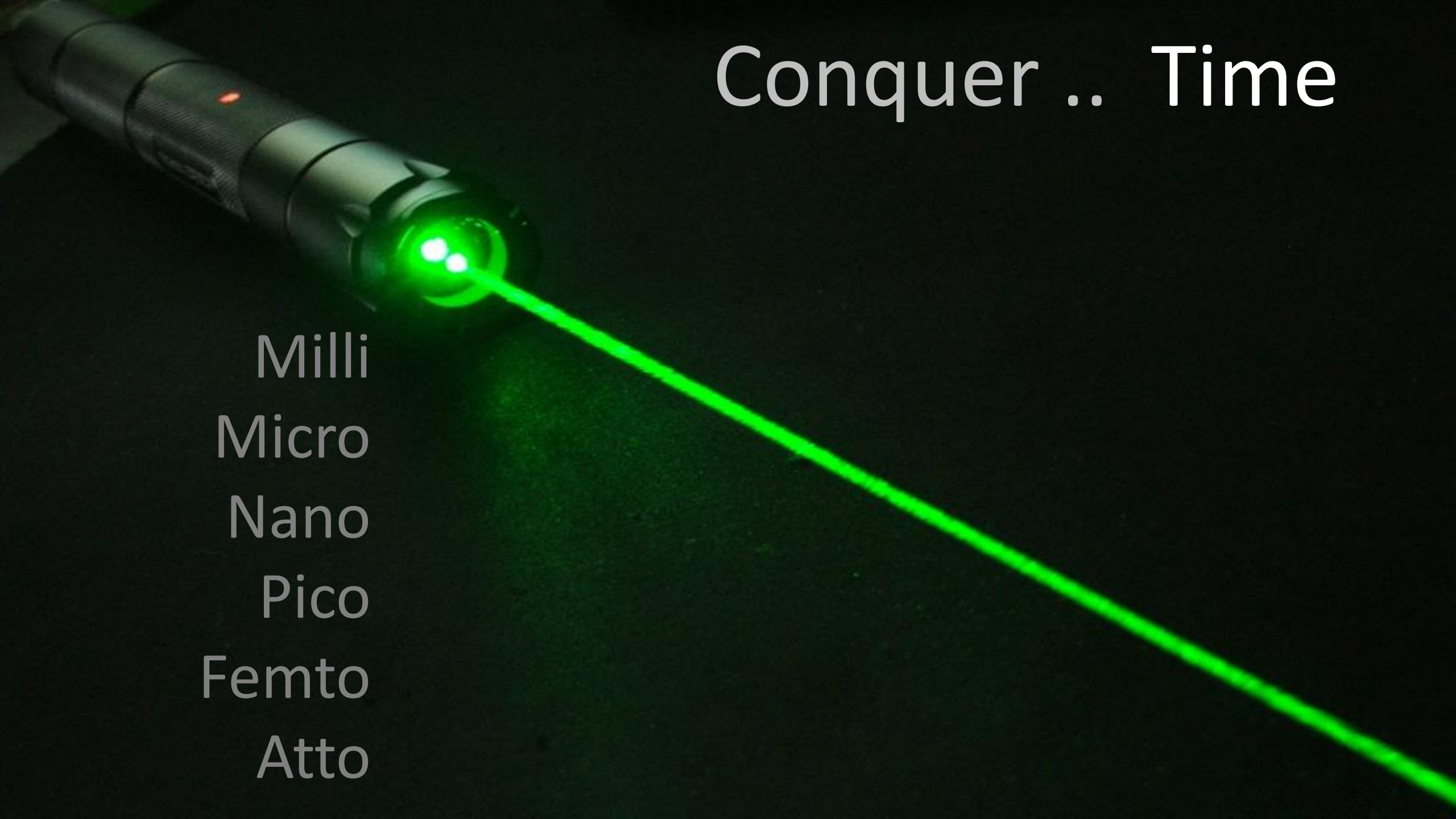
Defocus

Depth



1964

Conquer .. Time



Milli

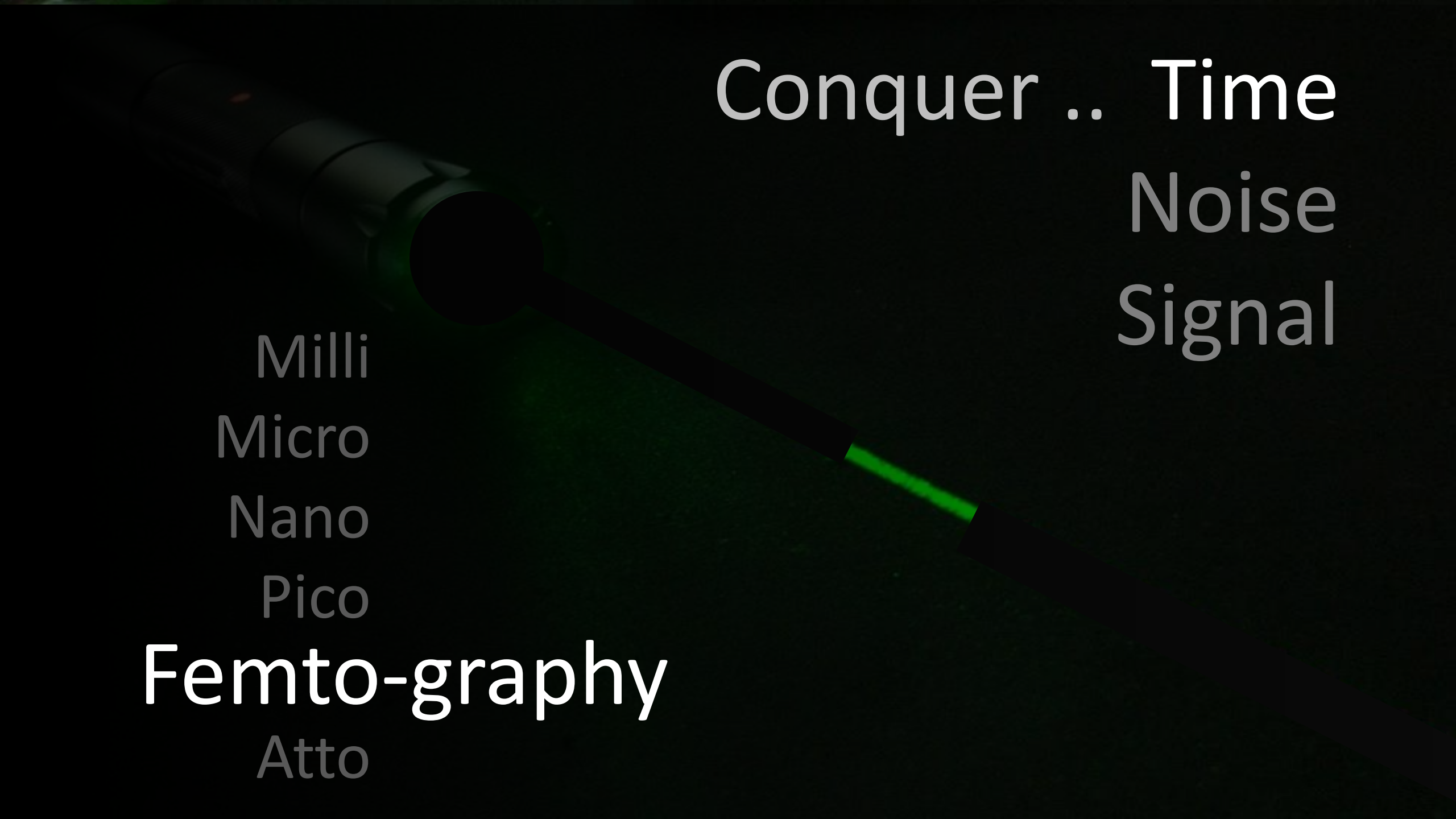
Micro

Nano

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Femto

Atto



Conquer .. Time

Noise

Signal

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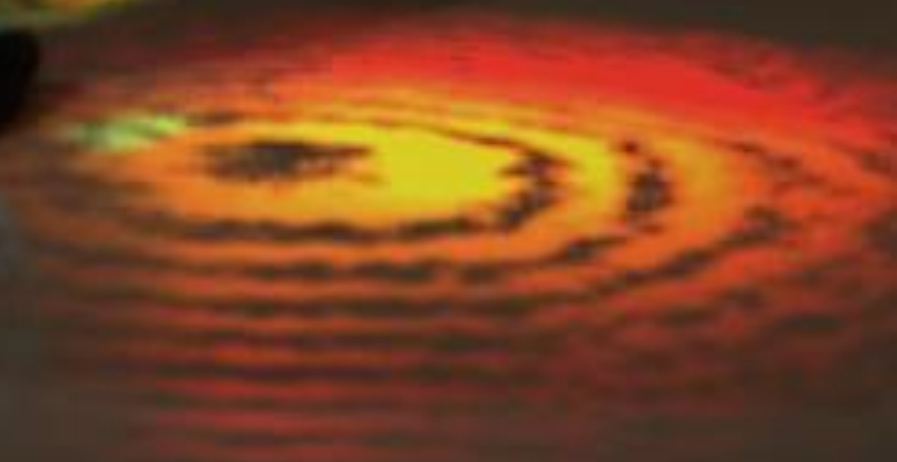
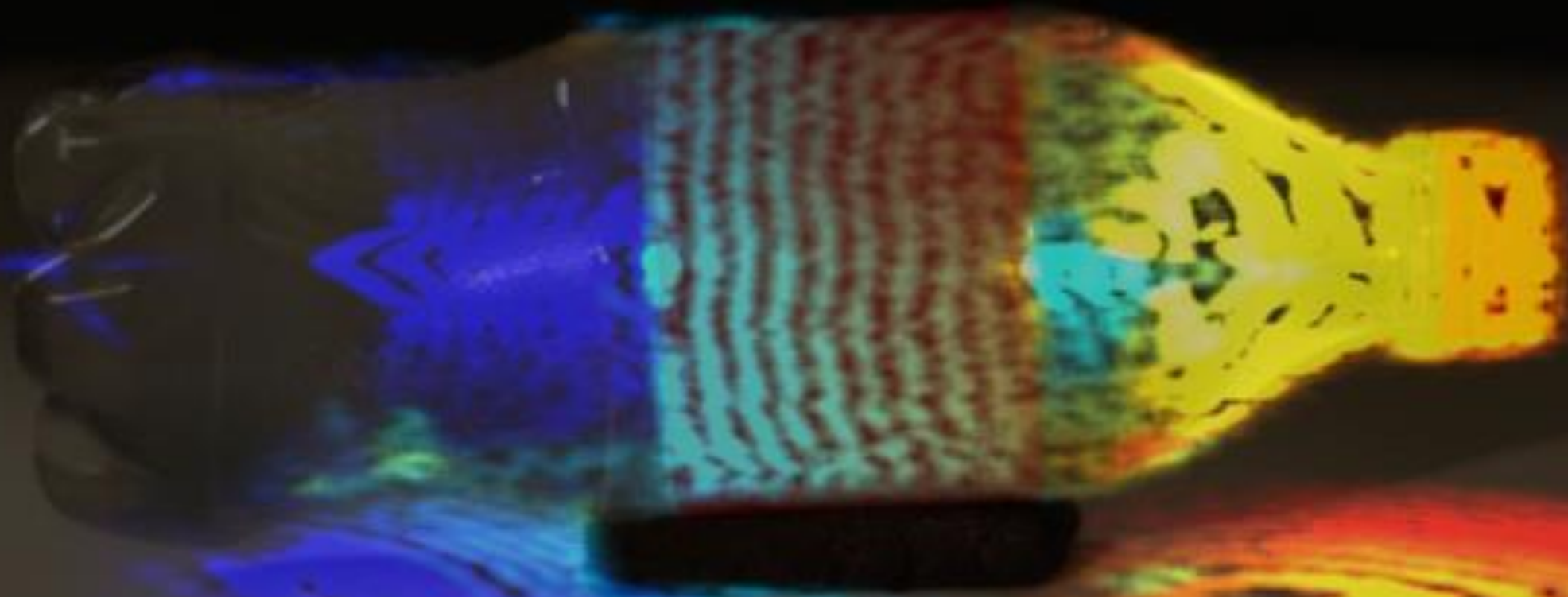
Femto-graphy

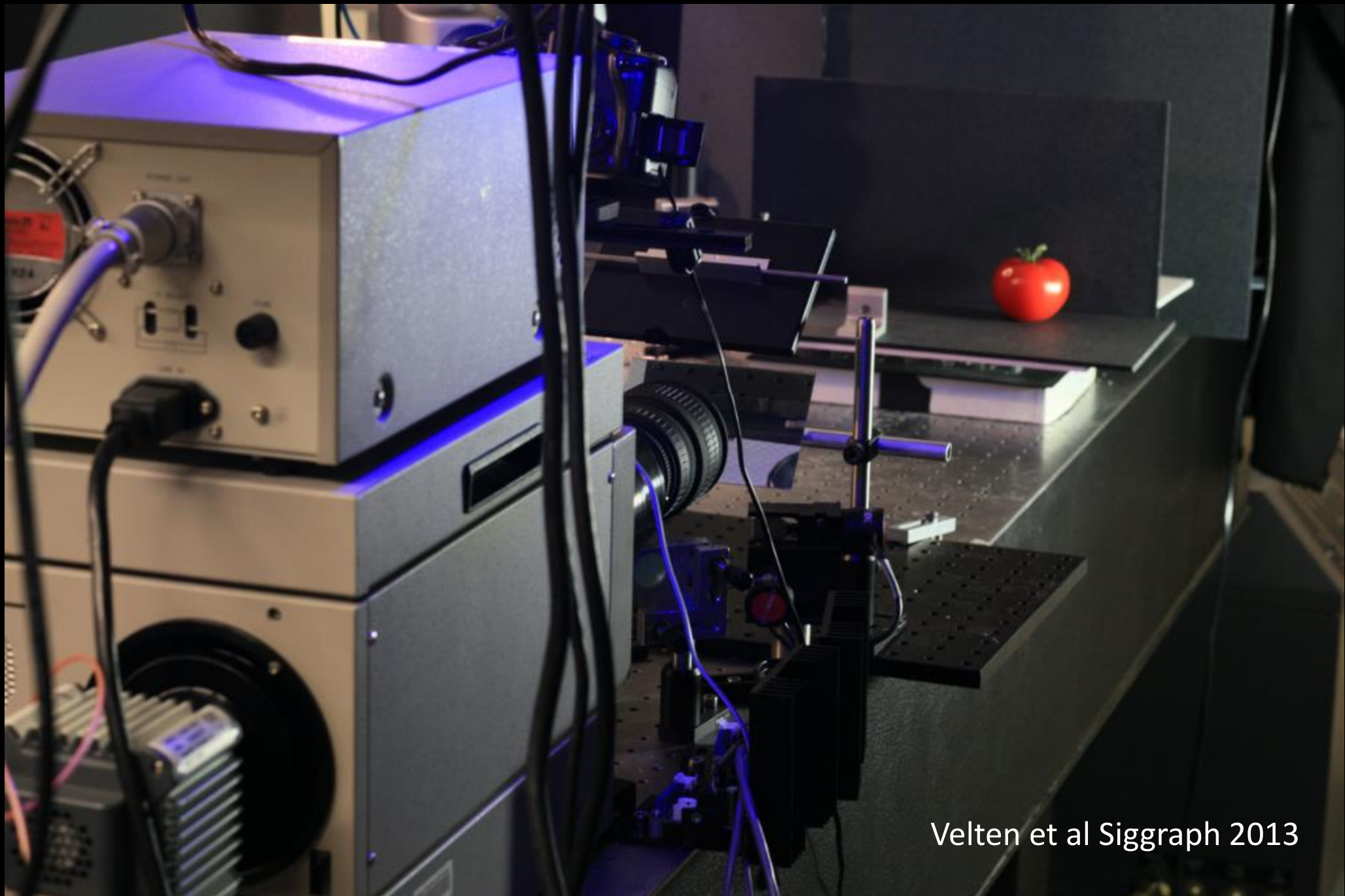
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Light in Slow Motion ..

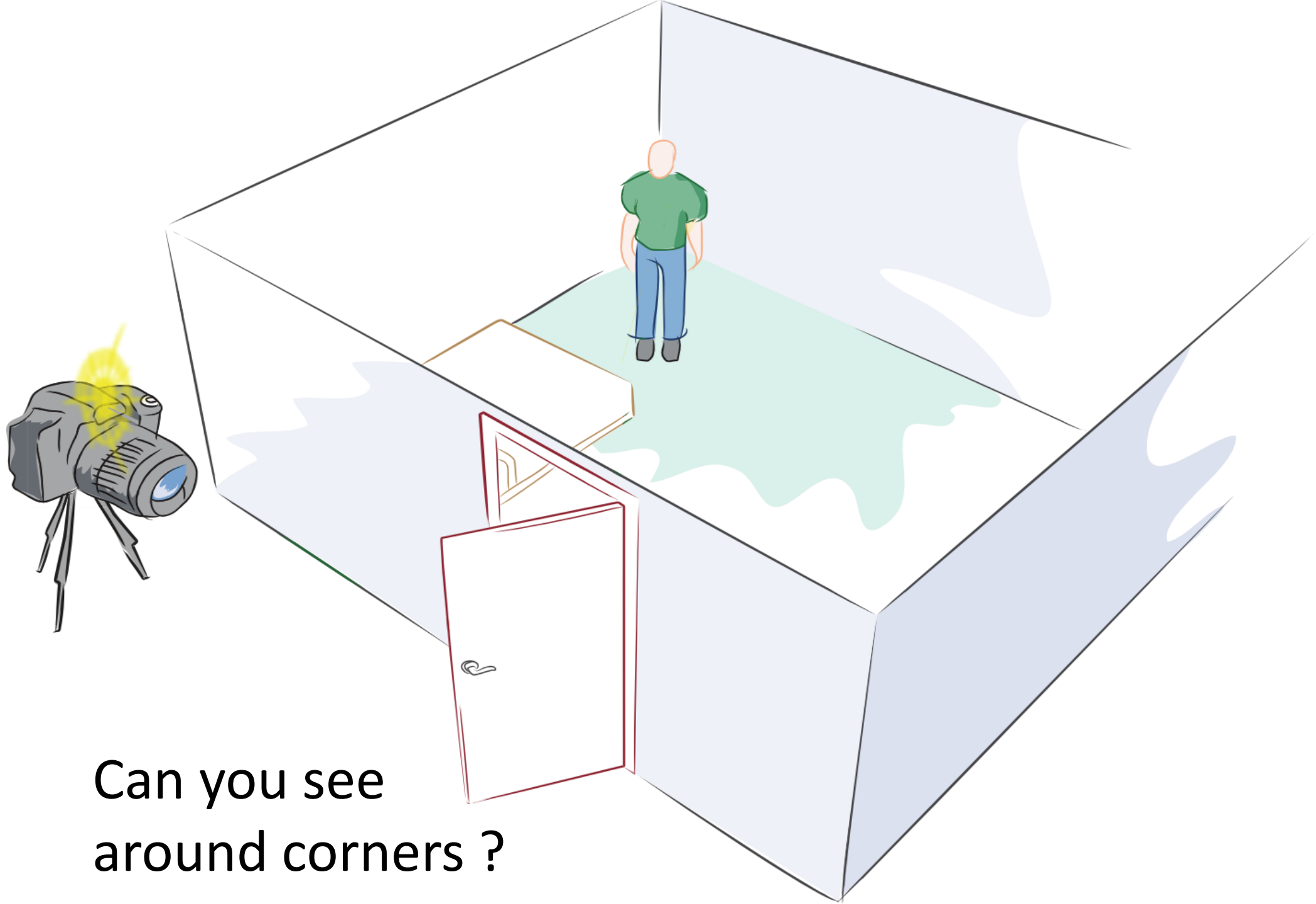


10 Billion x Slow



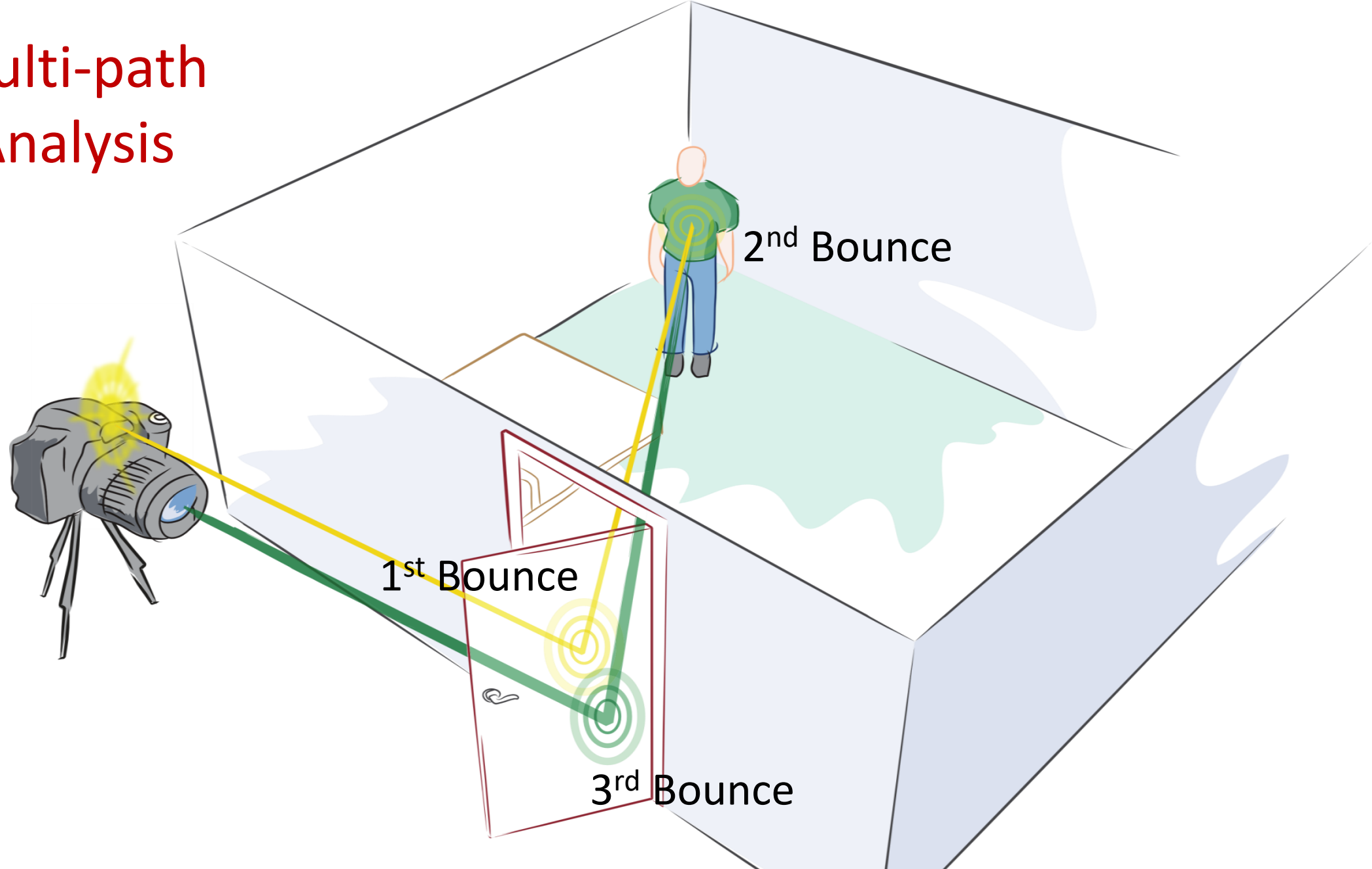


Velten et al Siggraph 2013

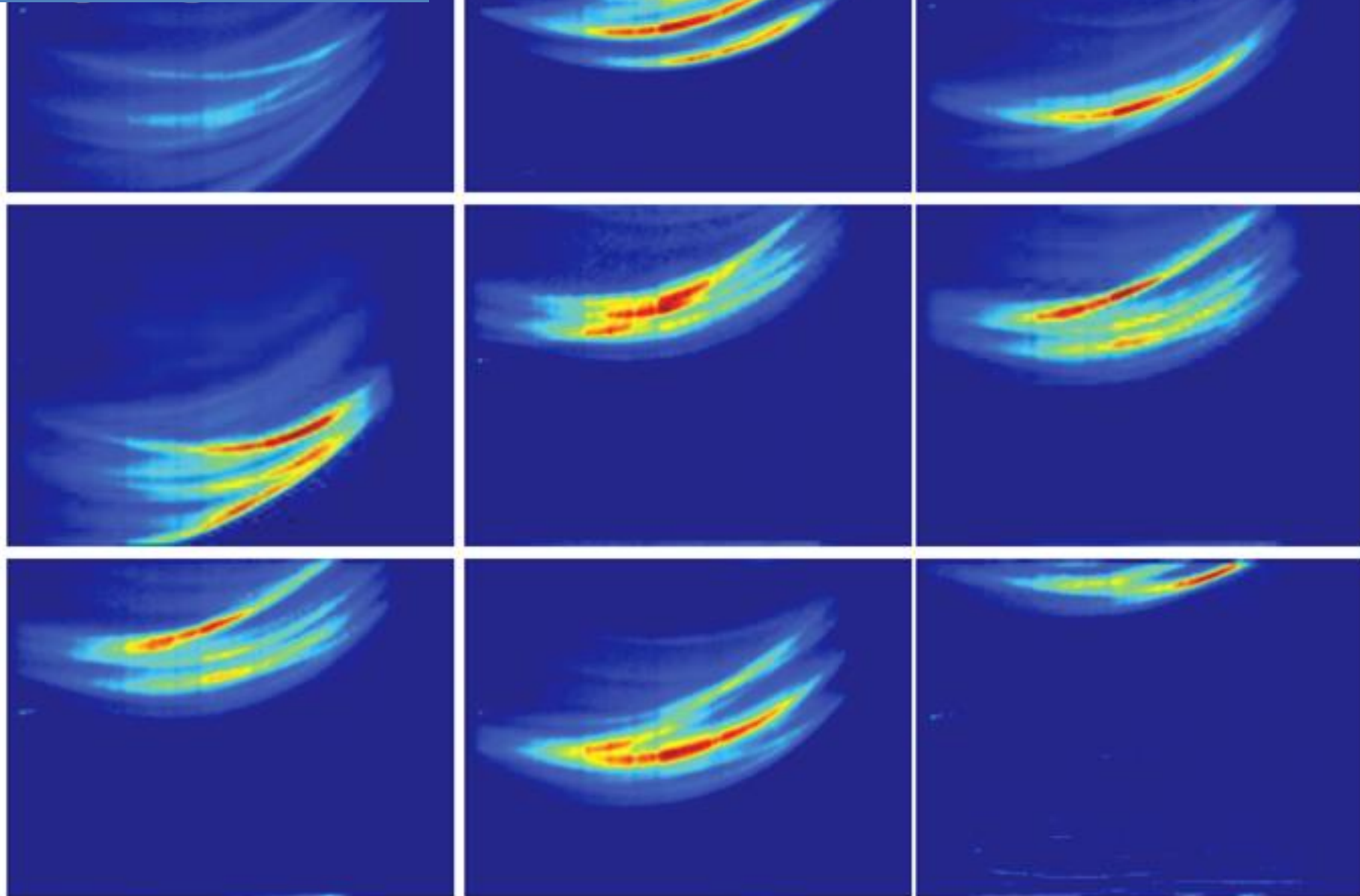


Can you see
around corners ?

Multi-path Analysis



Raw Data



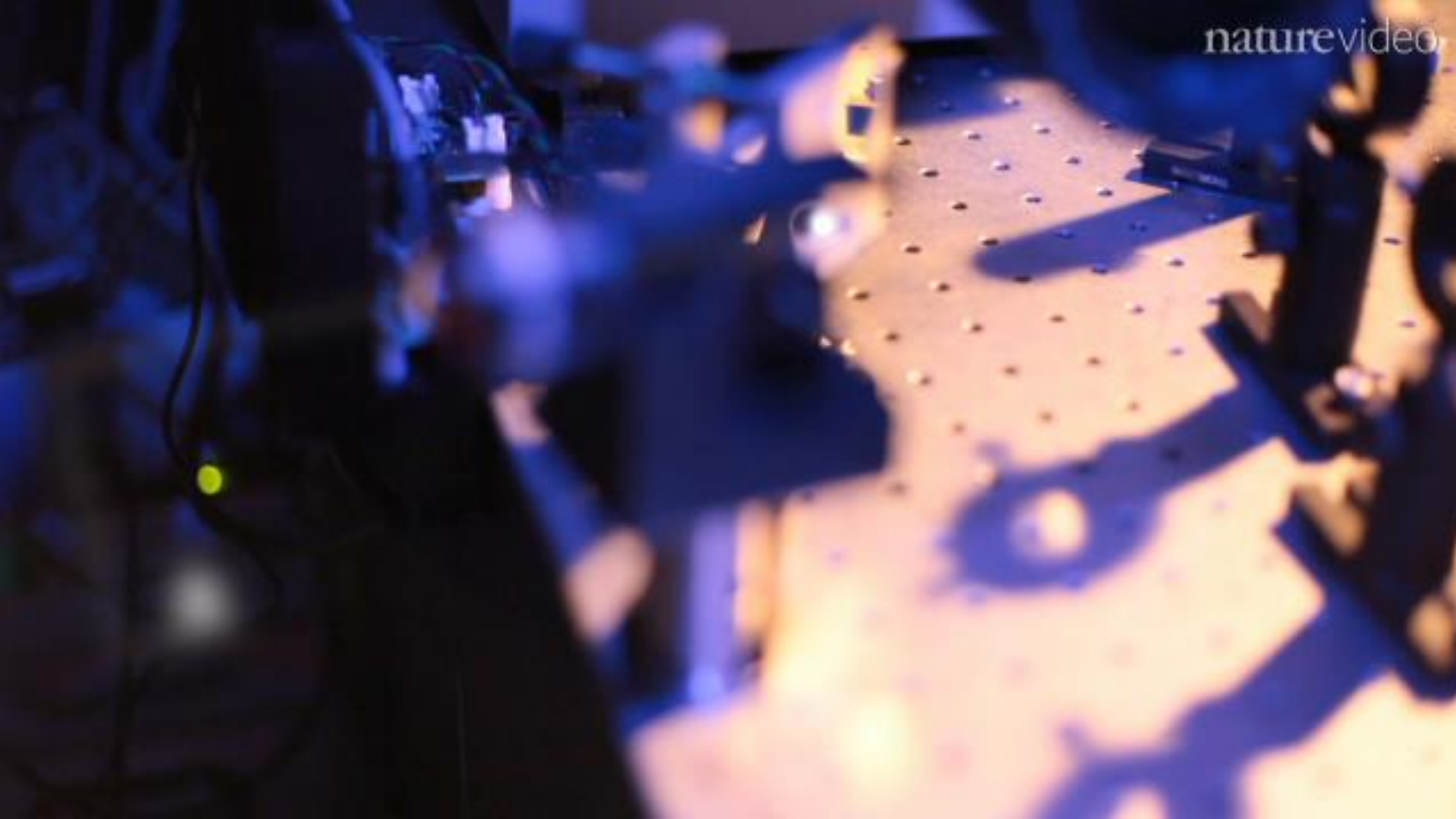
Femto-Camera

Hidden
Mannequin

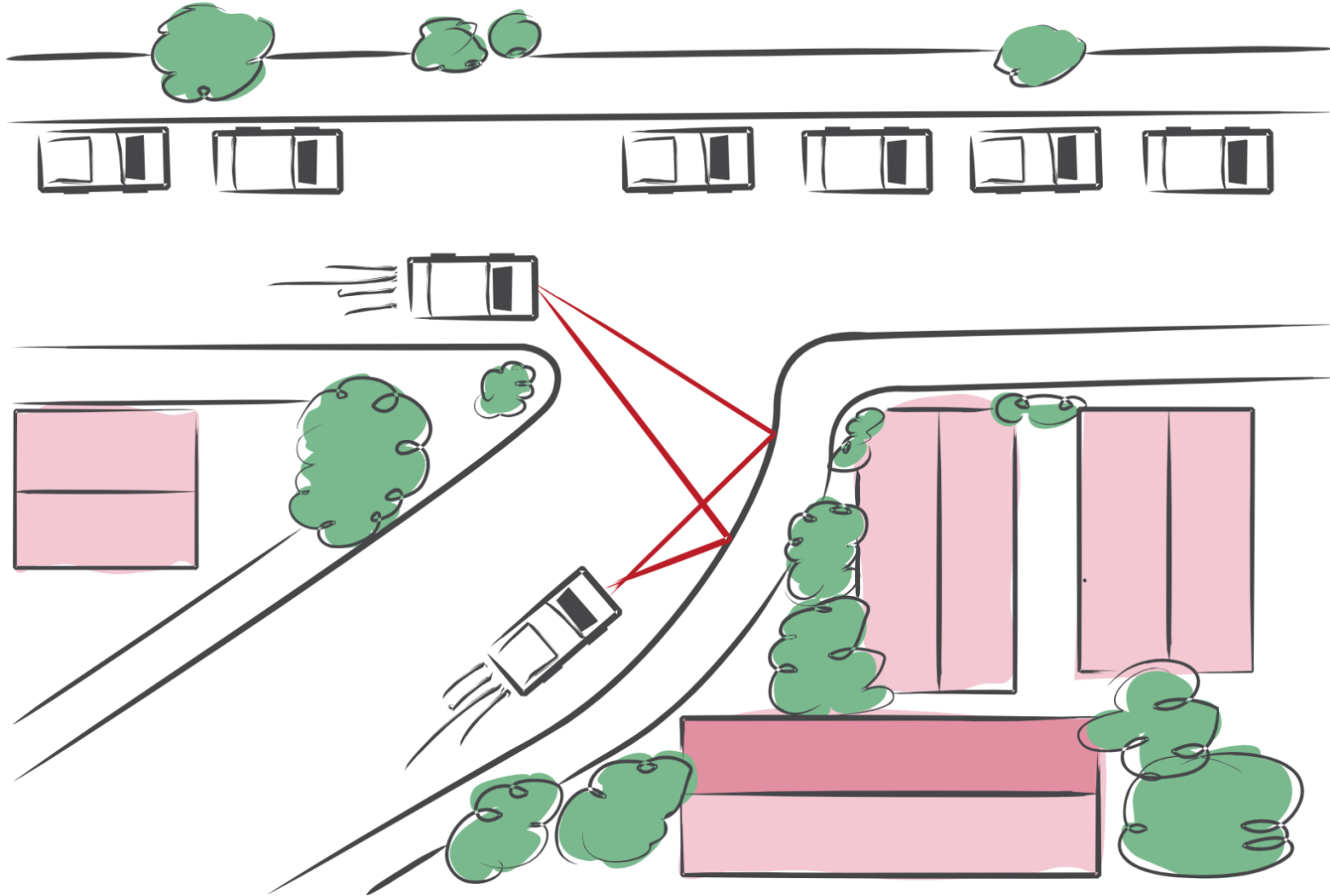
Wall

Door





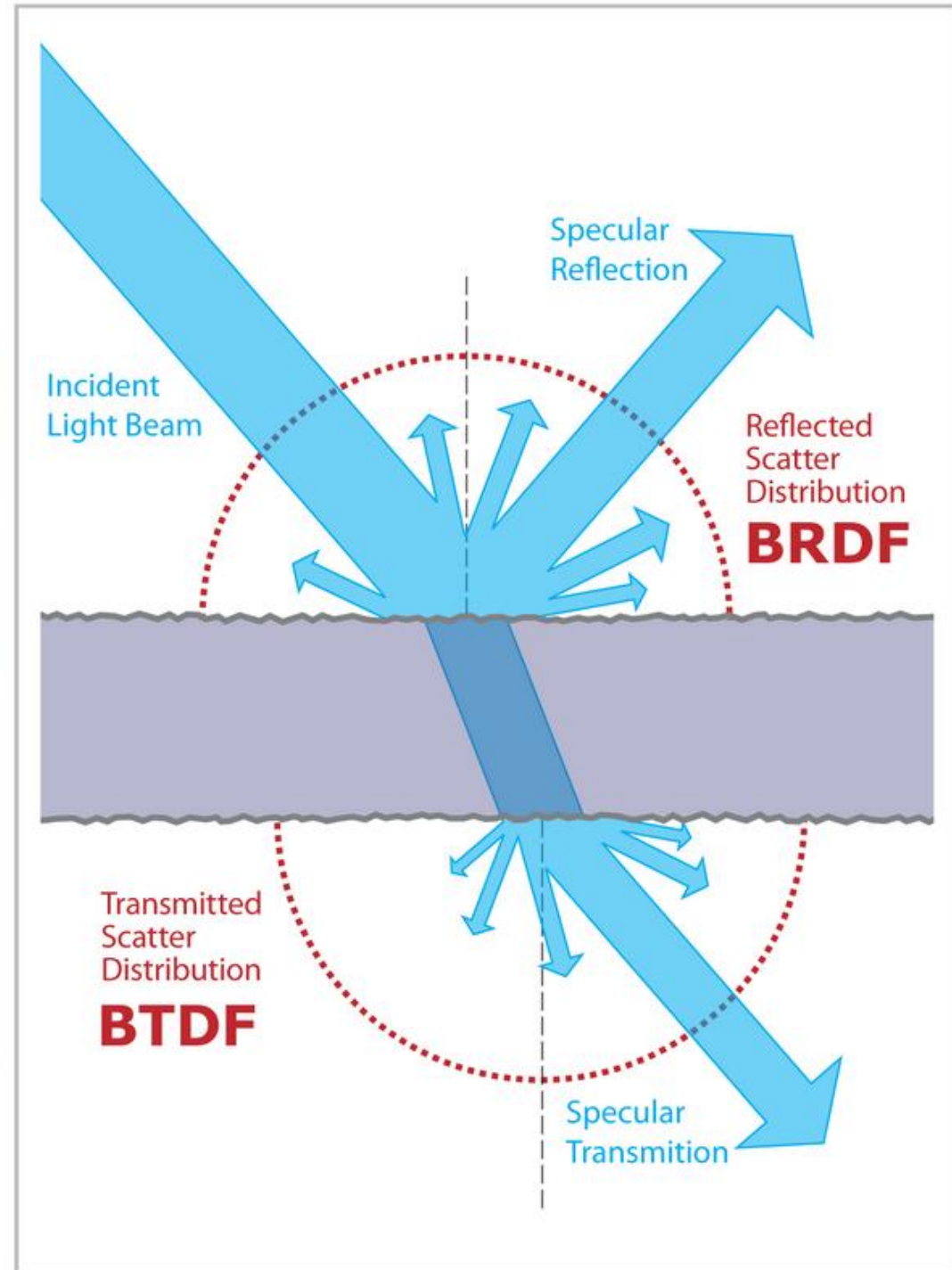
Collision avoidance, robot navigation, ...



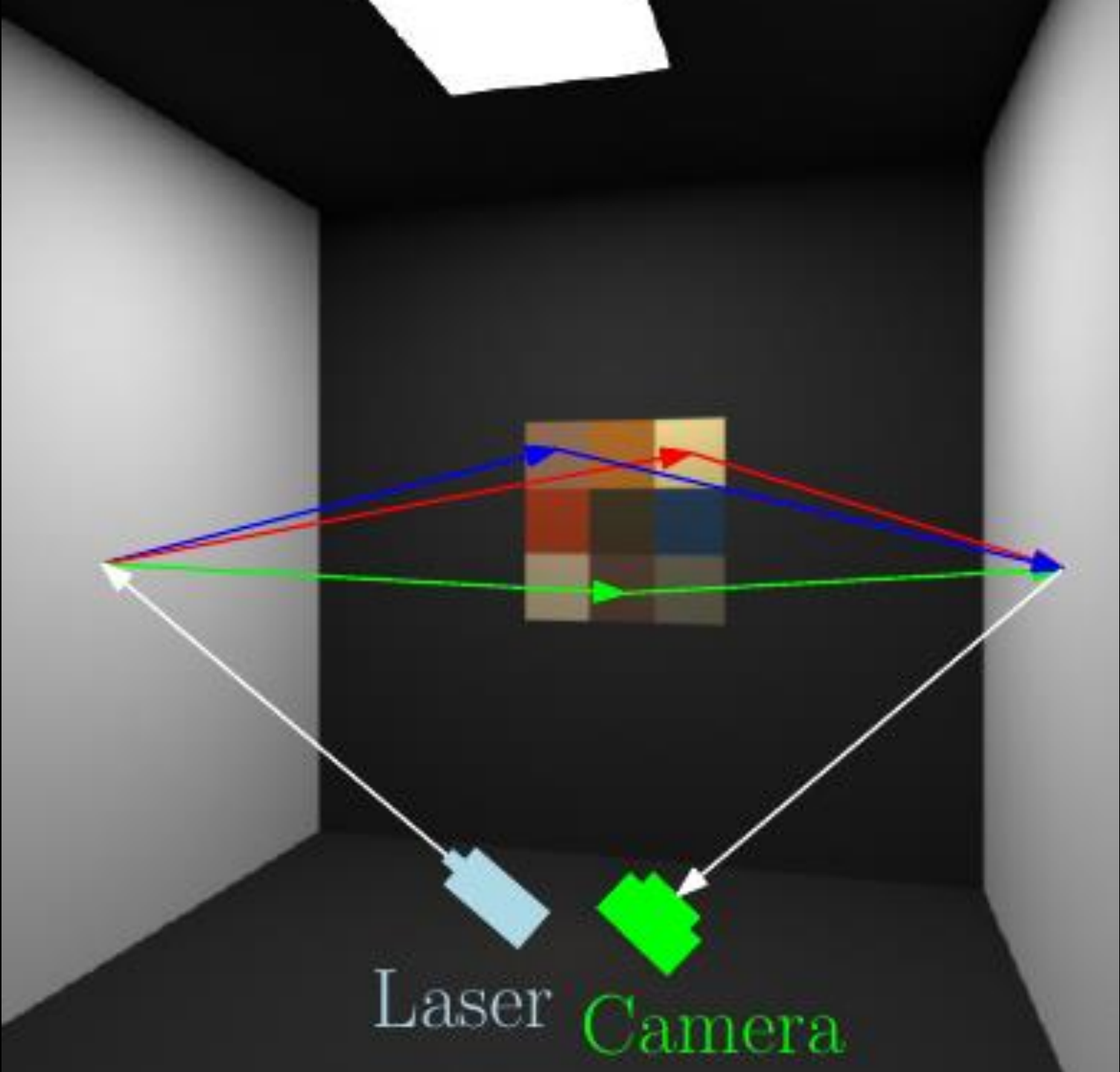
DARPA REVEAL Program by Dr. Predrag Milojkovic



Identify Materials

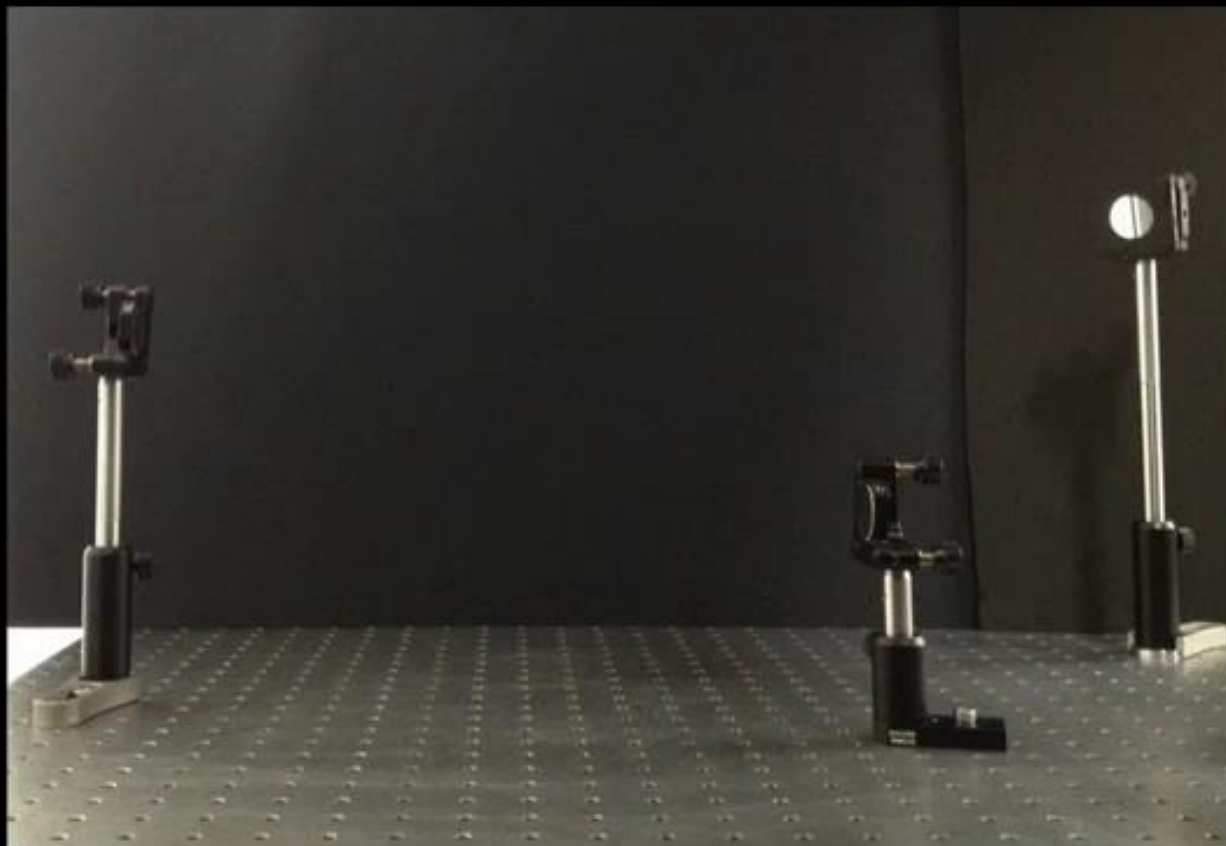


BRDF from a single viewpoint



Naik, Zhao, Velten, Raskar, Bala,
(SIGGRAPH Asia 2011)

Single Photon Sensitive Imaging (SPAD)



Gariepy et al. Nature Comm (2015)



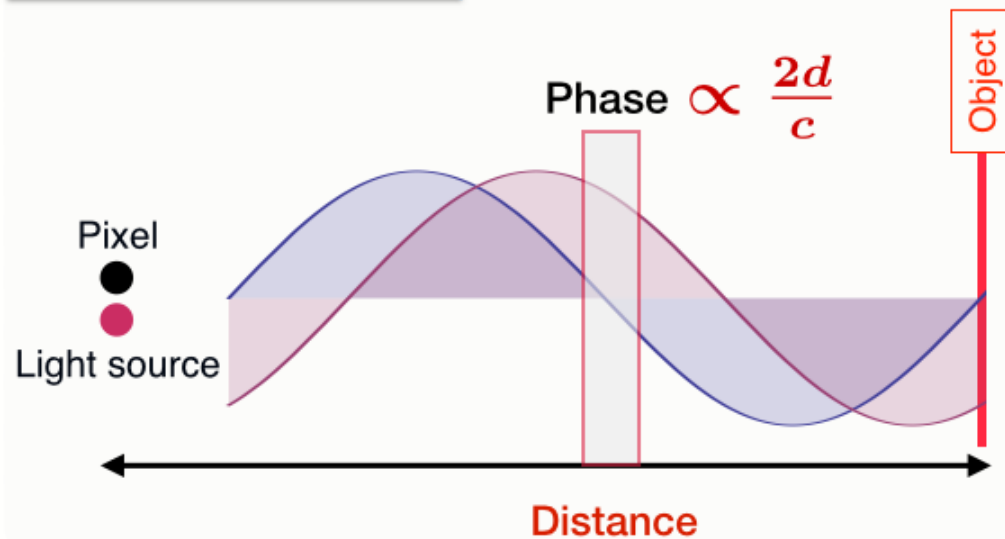
Time-of-Flight Imaging Sensors

Time-of-Flight Sensors: Computes depth based on speed of light (aka SONAR with light.)

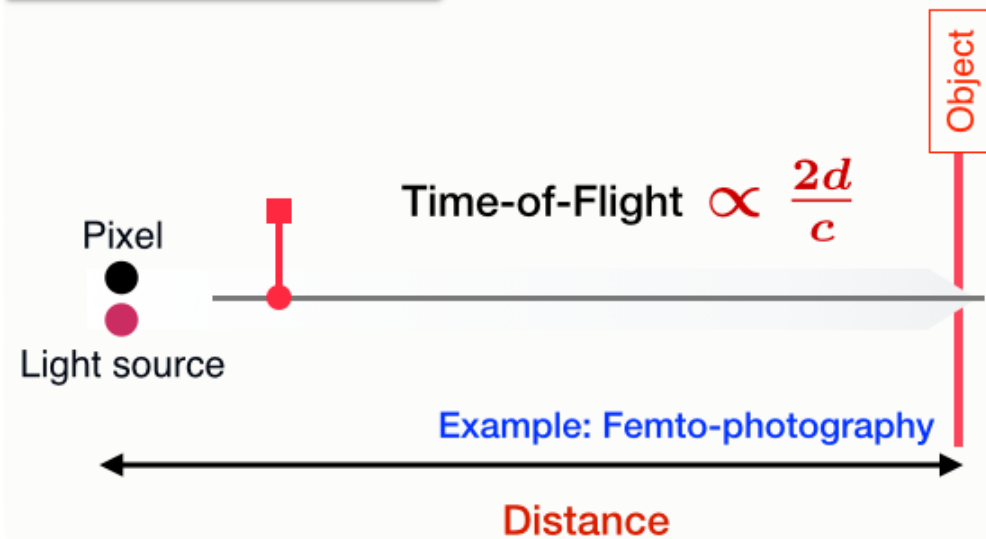


Time-of-Flight Principle: Distance of object is proportional to time traveled by light

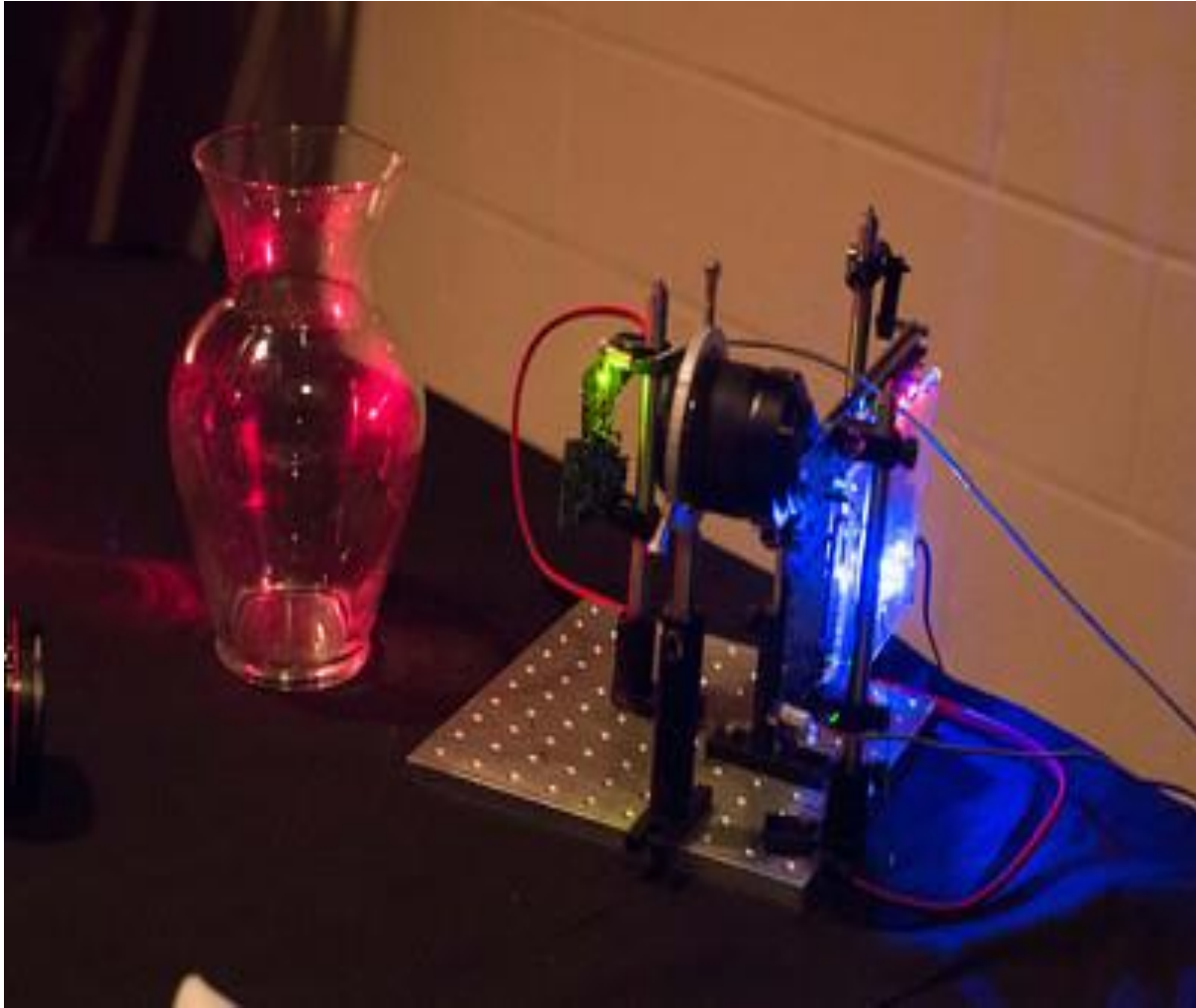
Continuous Wave ToF



Pulsed/Impulse Based ToF

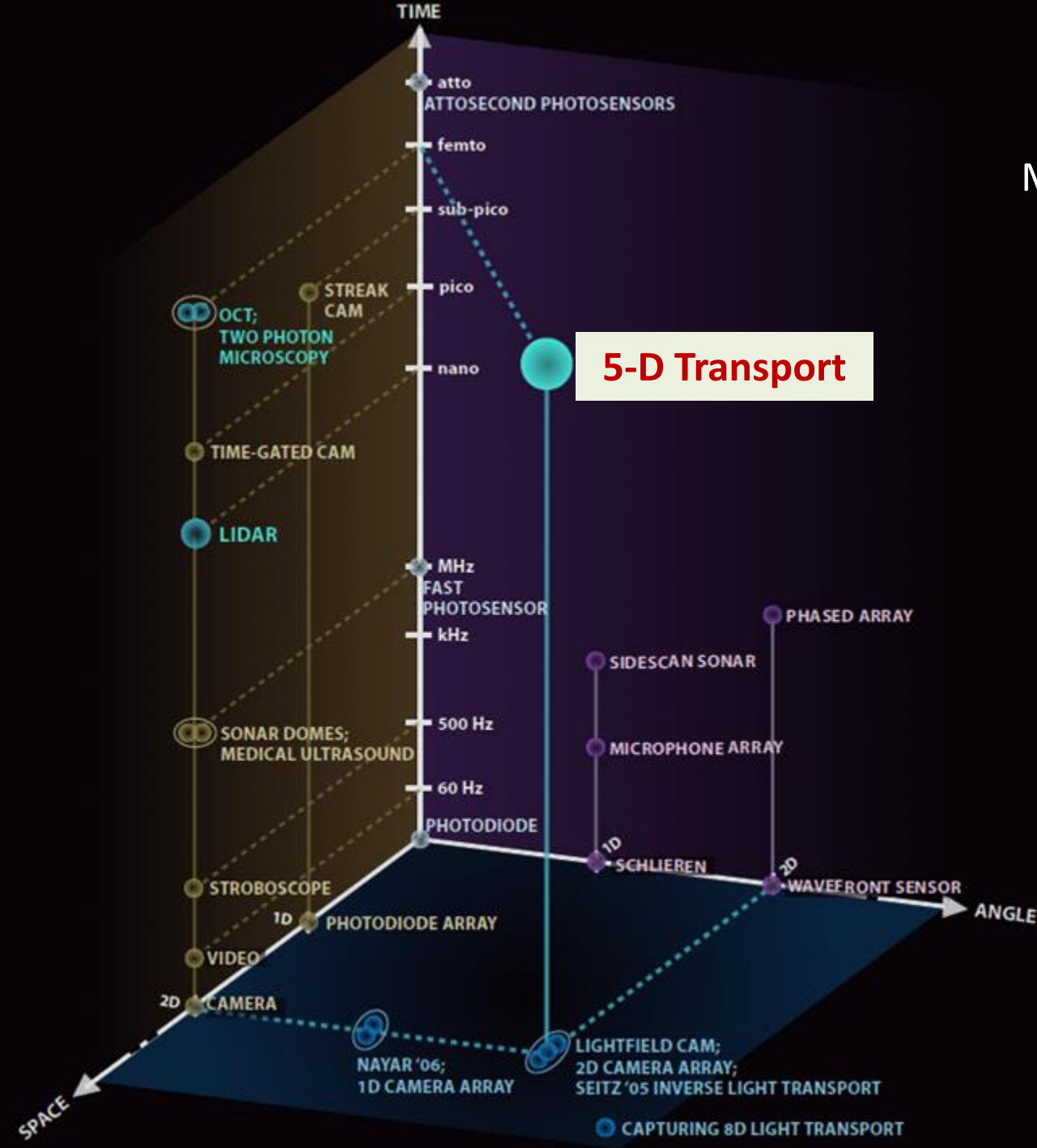


Nanophotography



[Kadambi et al 2013]

Multi-Dimensional Light Transport



5-D Transport

● CAPTURING 8D LIGHT TRANSPORT

Question: How does Imaging influence Autonomy?

Level 0: Driver only: the human driver controls everything independently,

Level 1: Assisted driving: assistance systems help during vehicle operation (Cruise Control, ACC).

Level 2: Partial automation: the operator must monitor the system at all times.

Level 3: Conditional automation: the operator monitors the system and can intervene when necessary.

Level 4: High automation: there is no monitoring by the driver required. Vehicles are designed to operate safety-critical functions and monitor road conditions for an entire trip. However, the functions do not cover all every driving scenario.

Level 5: Full automation: operator-free driving.

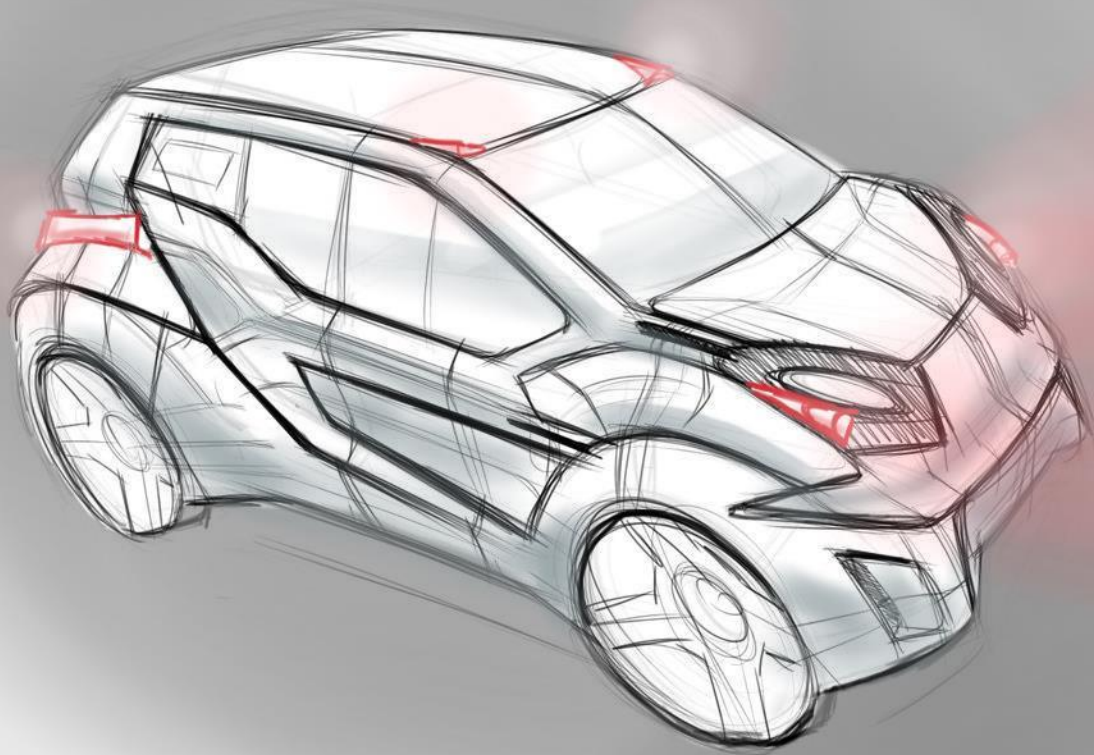
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