



HDR Capture and Tone Mapping

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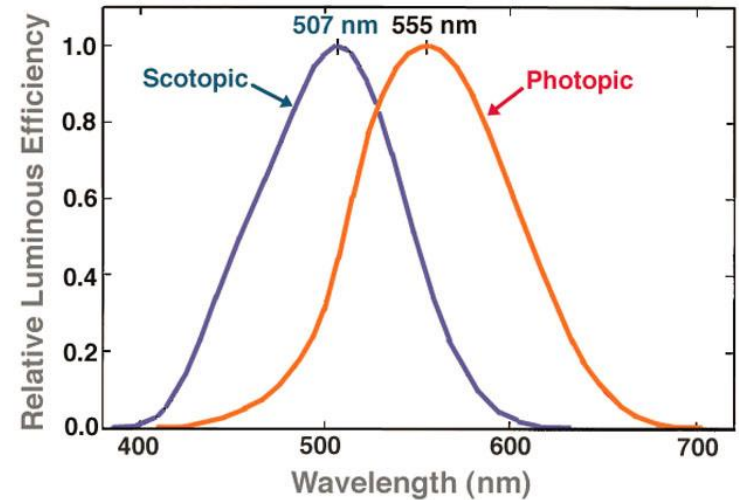
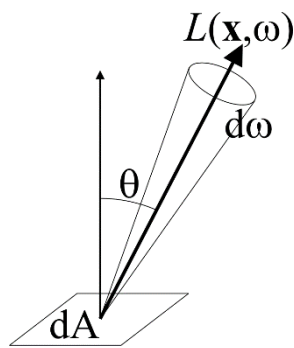
LDR vs HDR – Comparison

Standard Dynamic Range		High Dynamic Range
	<p>QUALITY OF CONTRAST & COLOR</p>	
50 dB	Camera Dynamic Range	120 dB
1:200	Display Contrast	1:15.000
limited	Color Gamut	vivid and saturated colors
display-referred	Image Representation	scene-referred
display limited	Fidelity	as good as the eye can see

Luminance

– Physically:

$$L_v = \frac{d^2 \Phi_v}{dA d\Omega \cos \theta} \quad [\text{nit} = \text{cd}/\text{m}^2]$$



- luminous power [lm] per unit solid angle per unit area
- analogous to “what we see with our eyes”
- photometric analog of radiance (weighted by luminous efficiency function)

– In color science: weighted sum of **linear** RGB

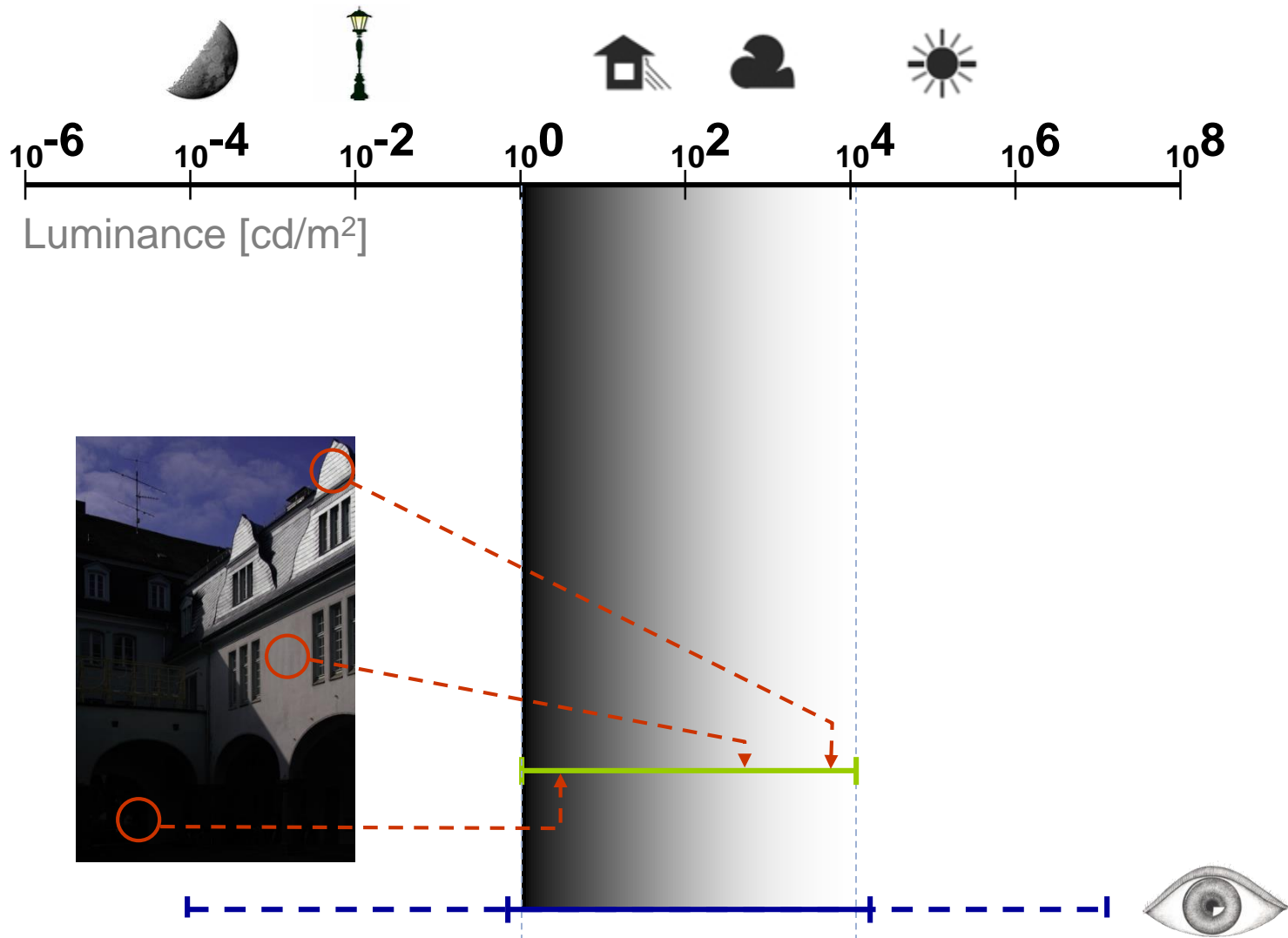
$$Y = 0.2126 R + 0.7152 G + 0.0722 B$$

■ Luma

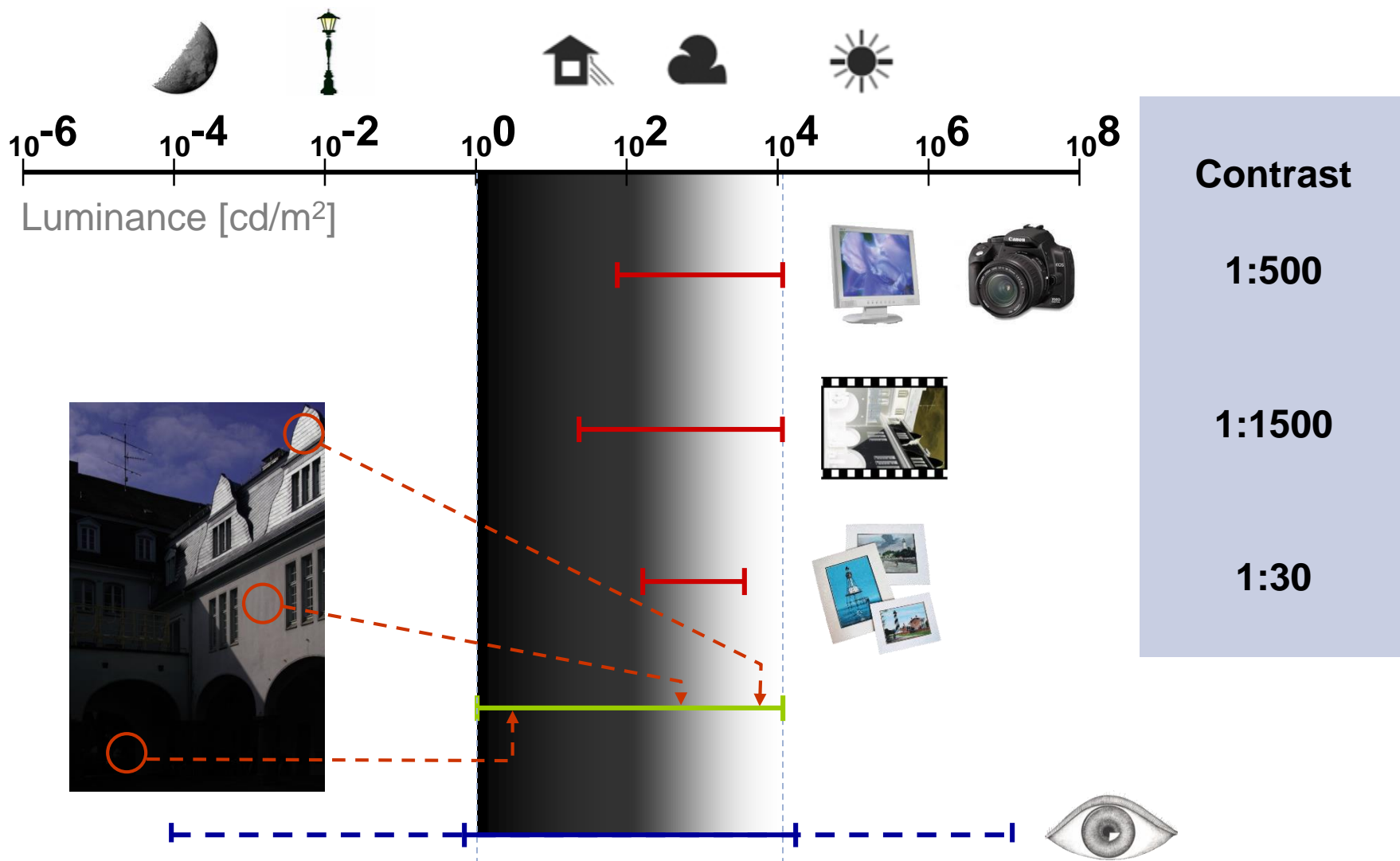
– Weighted sum of **gamma corrected** (nonlinear) RGB

$$Y' = 0.2126 R' + 0.7152 G' + 0.0722 B'$$

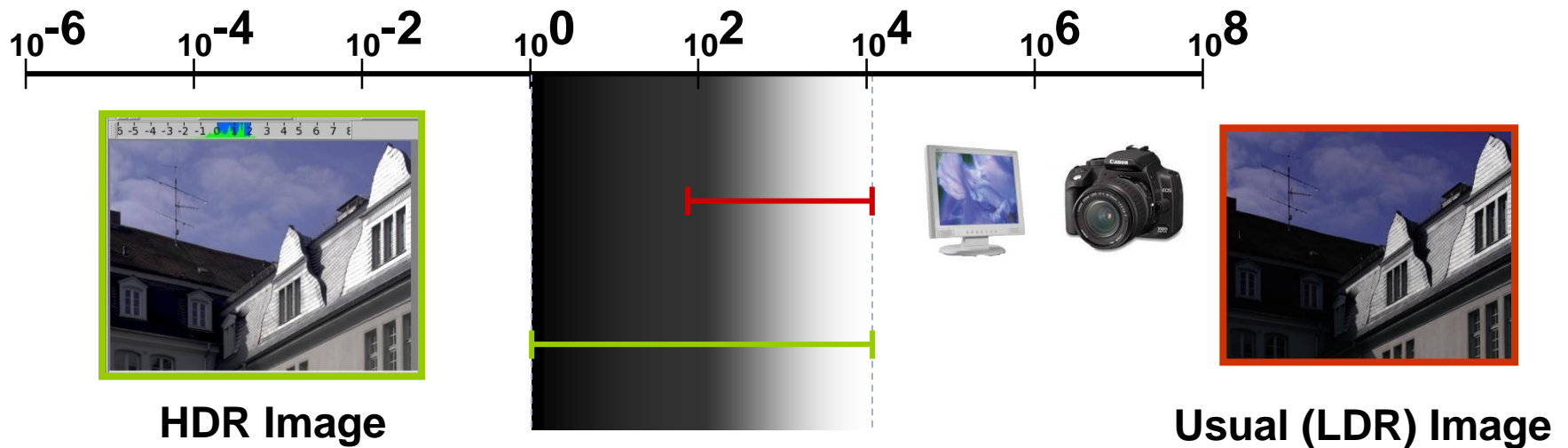
Various Dynamic Ranges (1)



Various Dynamic Ranges (2)



High Dynamic Range



Measures of Dynamic Range

Contrast ratio	$CR = 1 : (Y_{\text{peak}}/Y_{\text{noise}})$	displays (e.g., 1:500)
Orders of magnitude	$M = \log_{10}(Y_{\text{peak}}) - \log_{10}(Y_{\text{noise}})$	HDR imaging (= 2.7 orders)
Exposure latitude (f-stops)	$L = \log_2(Y_{\text{peak}}) - \log_2(Y_{\text{noise}})$	photography (= 9 f-stops)
Signal to noise ratio (SNR)	$SNR = 20 * \log_{10}(A_{\text{peak}}/A_{\text{noise}})$	digital cameras (= 53 [dB])

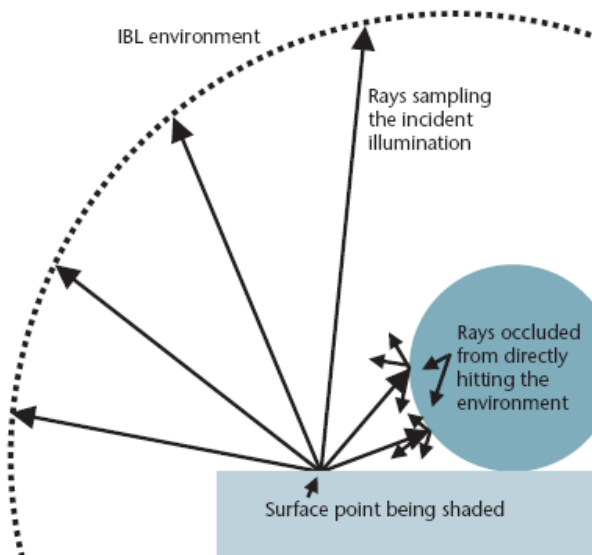
Motivation

- real world is HDR!
- physically-based rendering outputs
- photography
- digital cinema
- games (explosions are really HDR 😊), [video \[1:04\]](#)
- ...



HDR Applications

- Image-Based Lighting
 - [Debevec 98]
 - using HDR radiance maps to objects
 - RNL – [video1](#), [video2](#)



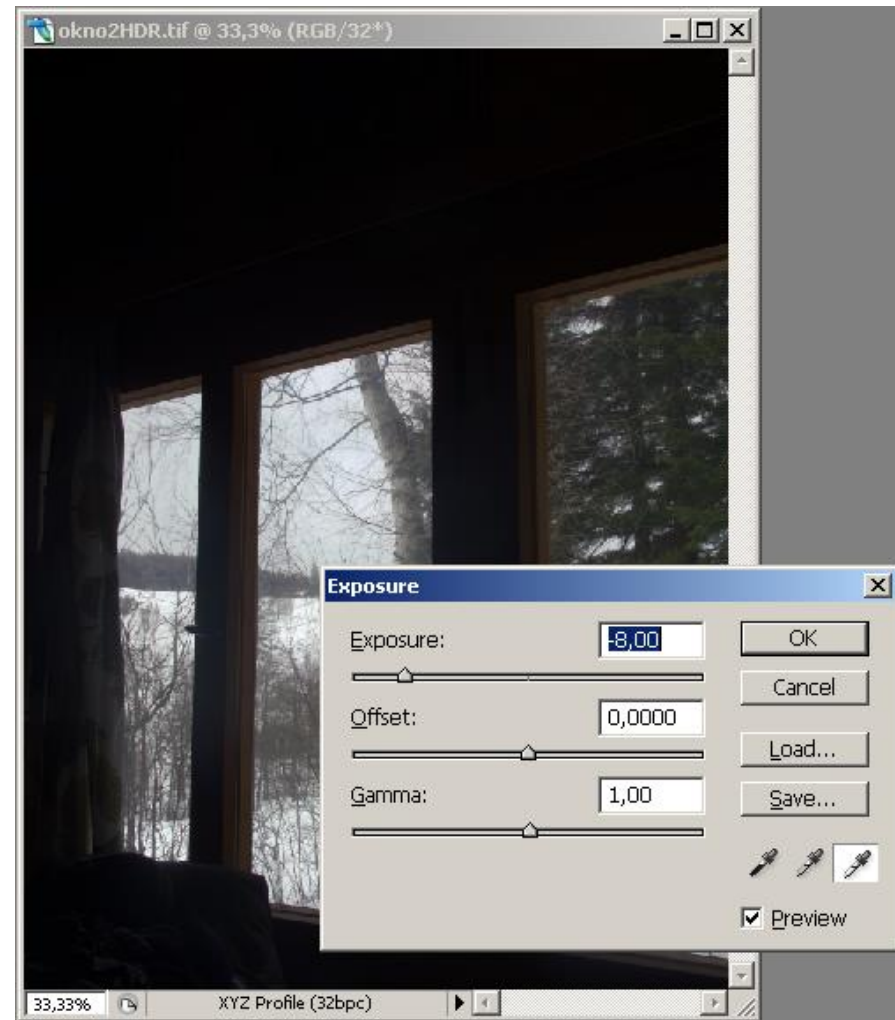
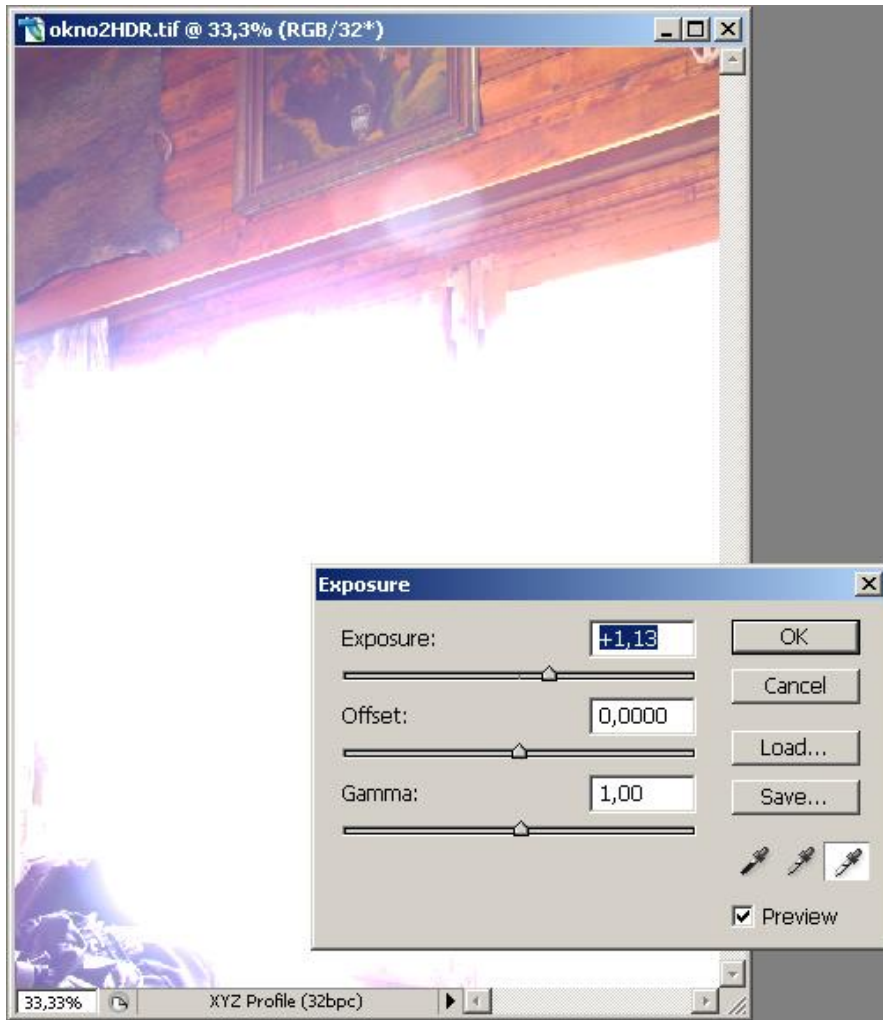
HDR Applications

- physically-based rendering (global illumination)
- image-based rendering and modeling
- HDR panoramic imaging
- visualization (i.e. medical imaging)
- computer vision (algorithms may perform better)
- human vision simulation and psychophysics

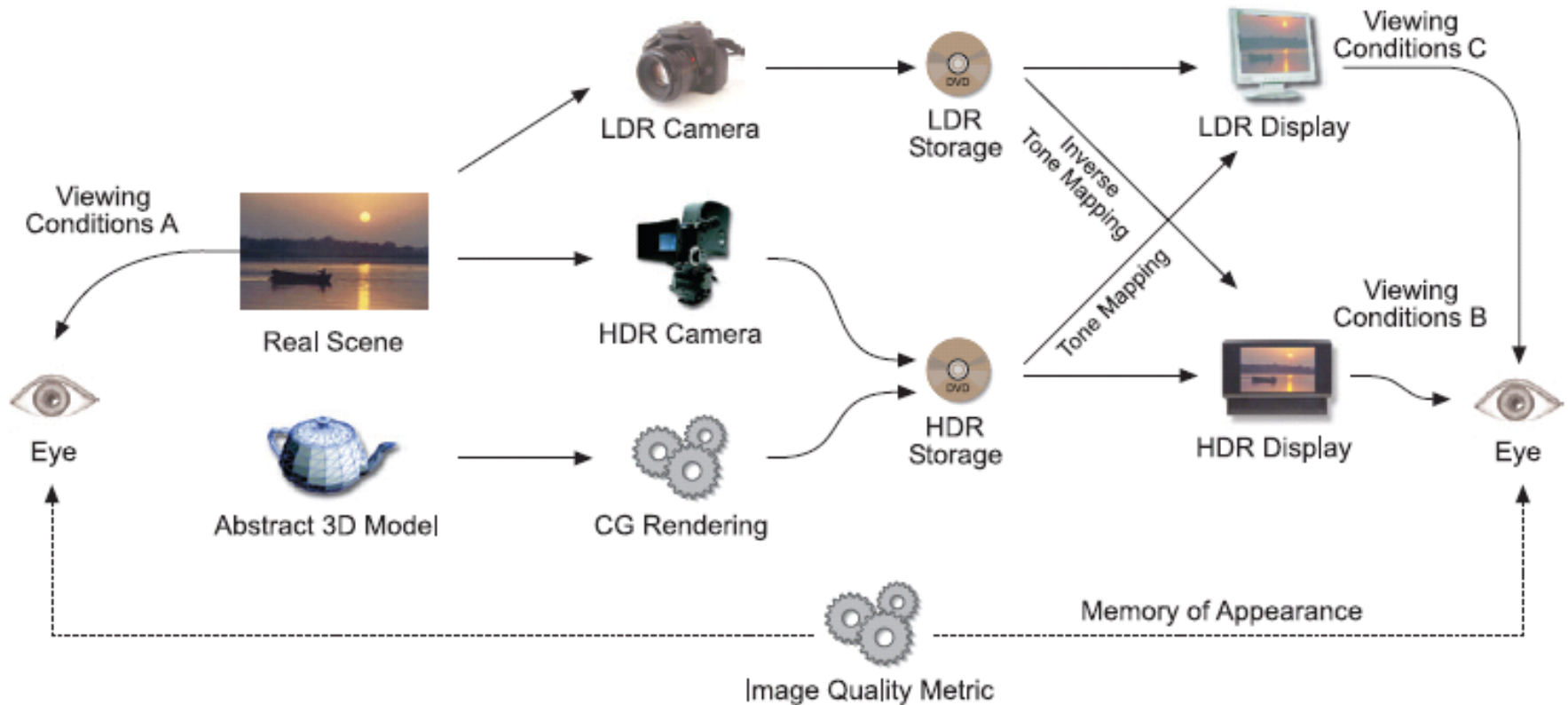
HDR Applications

- digital photography in PS
 - HDR first in version: 9.0 (CS2)
 - 32 bits-per-channel HDR images
 - Merge To HDR command
 - Photoshop (PSD, PSB), Radiance (HDR), Portable Float Map (PFM), OpenEXR, TIFF (LogLuv just reads)

HDR Applications



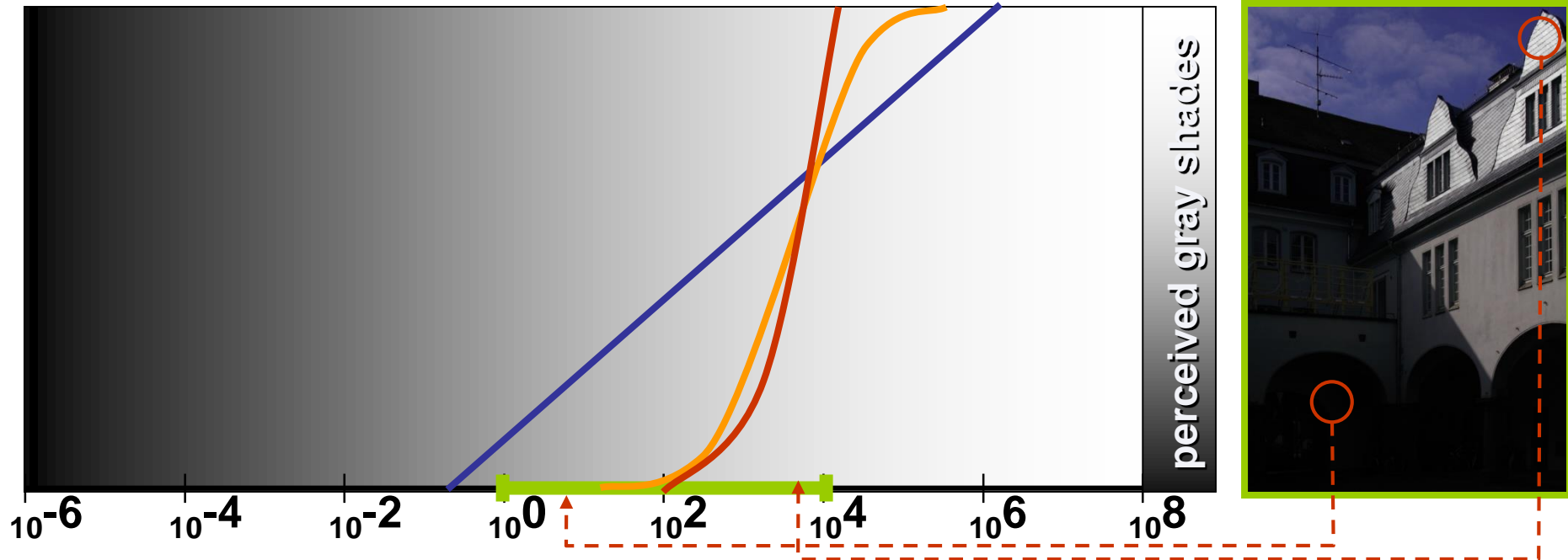
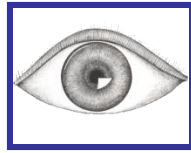
HDR Pipeline



Lecture Overview

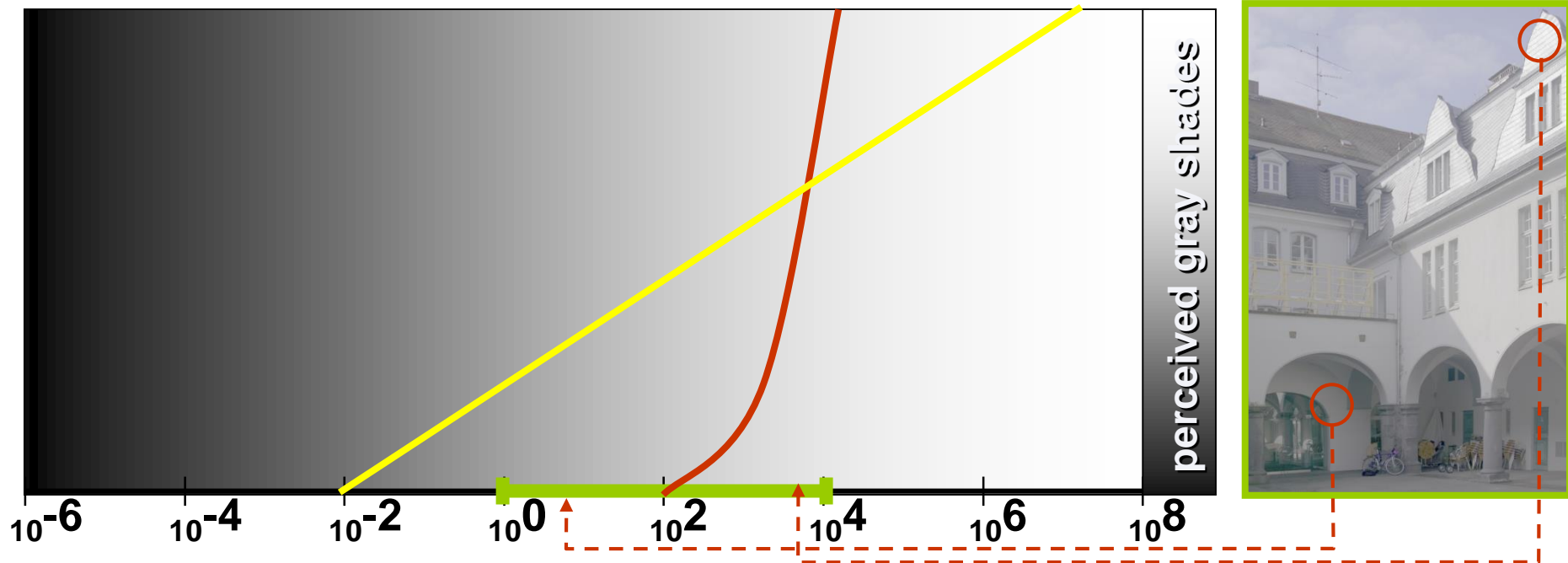
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HDR: a normal camera can't...



- linearity of the CCD sensor
- bound to 8-14bit processors
- saved in an 8bit gamma corrected image

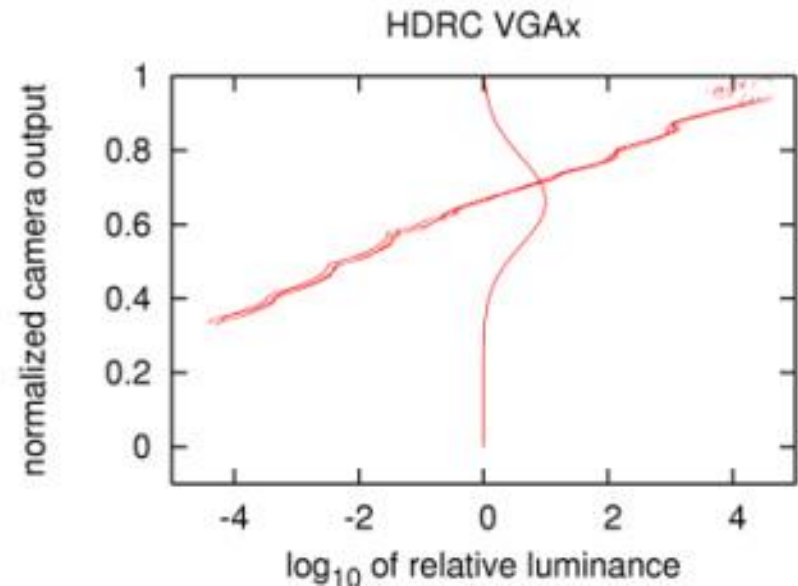
HDR Sensors



- logarithmic response
- locally auto-adaptive
- hybrid sensors (linear-logarithmic)

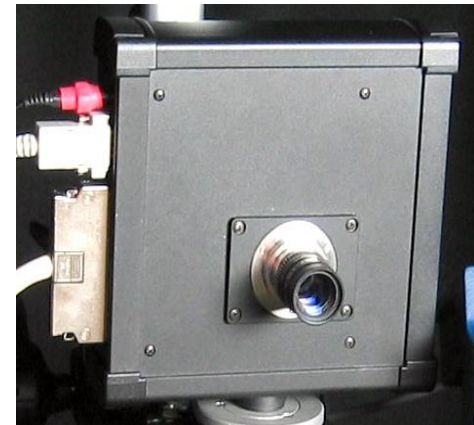
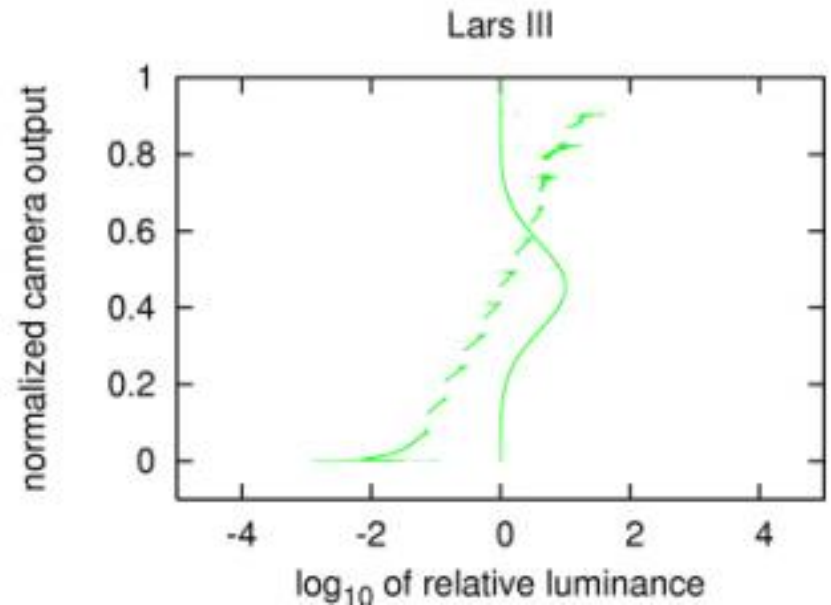
Logarithmic HDR Sensor

- CMOS sensor (10bit)
- Transforms collected charge to logarithmic voltage (analog circuit)
- Dynamic range at the cost of quantization
- Very high saturation level
- High noise floor
- Non-linear noise
- Slow response at low luminance levels
- **Lin-log variants of sensor**
 - better quantization
 - lower noise floor



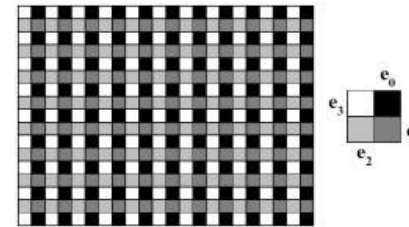
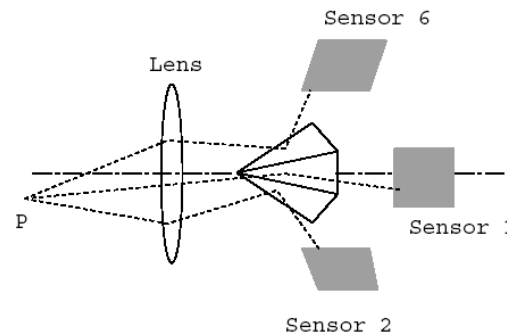
Locally Auto-adaptive Sensor

- Individual integration time for each pixel
- 16bit sensor
 - collected charge (8bit)
 - integration time (8bit)
- Irradiance from time and charge
- Complicated noise model
- Fine quantization over a wide range
- Non-continuous output!
- Difficult implementation



HDR Using Multiple Sensors

- semi-transparent mirror /prism
 - multiple sensors with different sensitivity
- or sacrifice resolution
- Panoscan Mark3, SpheronVR (scanning panoramic cameras), HDR video, HDR-Cam, etc.



HDR with a normal camera

Dynamic range of a typical CCD **1:1000**

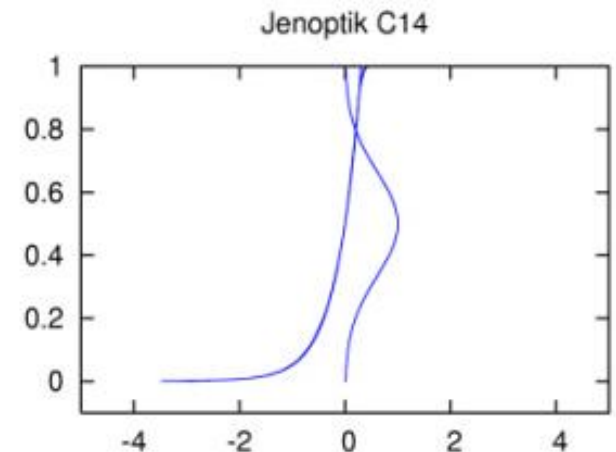
Exposure variation (1/60 : 1/6000) 1:100

Aperture variation (f/2.0 : f/22.0) ~1:100

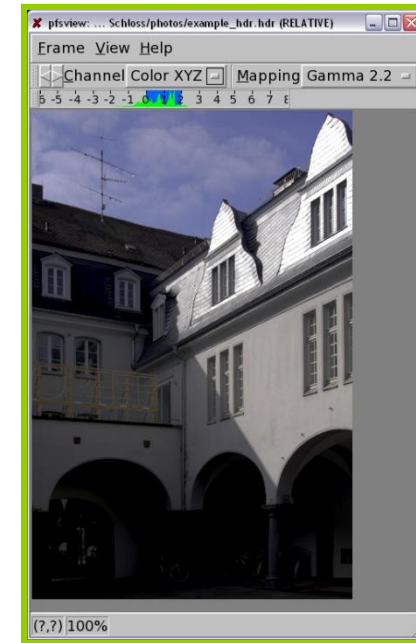
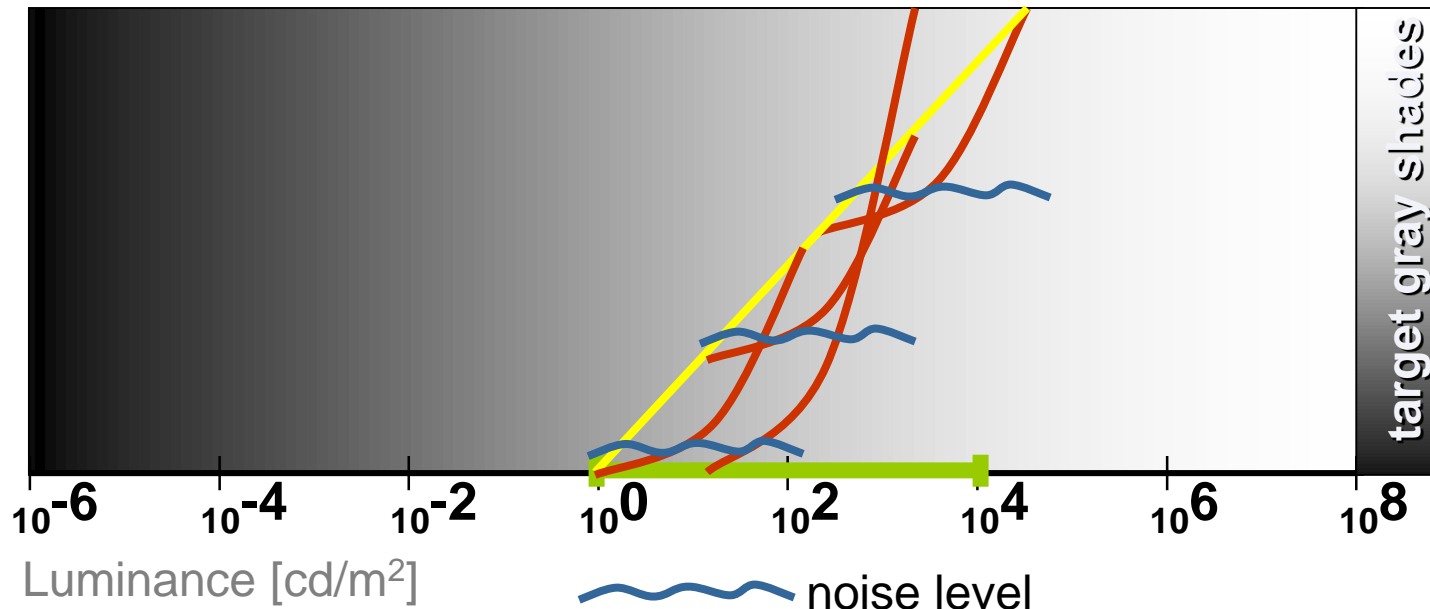
Sensitivity variation (ISO 50 : 800) ~1:10

Total operational range **1:100,000,000 High Dynamic Range!**

Dynamic range of a single capture only **1:1000.**



Multi-exposure Technique (1)



HDR Image

Multi-exposure Technique (2)

- **Input**

- images captured with varying exposure
 - change exposure time, sensitivity (ISO), ND filters
 - same aperture
 - exactly the same scene

- **Unknowns**

- camera response curve (can be given as input)
- HDR image

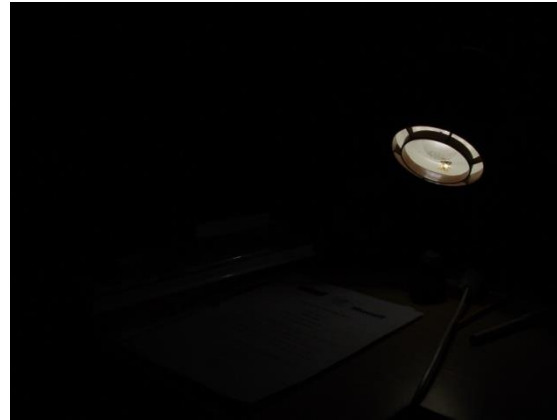
- **Process**

- recovery of camera response curve (if not given as input)
- linearization of input images (to account for camera response)
- normalization by exposure level
- suppression of noise
- estimation of HDR image (linear combination of input images)

Multi-exposure Technique (3)



f/8, 1/1000s



f/5.6, 1/250s



f/5.6, 1/30s



f/5.6, 1/4s



f/5.6, 2s



f/5.6, 8s

Algorithm (1/3)

Merge to HDR

- Linearize input images and normalize by exposure time

$$x_{iuv} = \frac{I^{-1}(y_{iuv})}{t_i}$$

assume I is correct (initial guess)

- Weighted average of images (weights from certainty model)

$$x_{uv} = \frac{\sum_i w_{iuv} x_{iuv}}{\sum_i w_{iuv}}$$

Optimize Camera Response

- Camera response

$$I^{-1}(y_{iuv}) = t_i x_{uv}$$

assume x_{uv} is correct

- Refine initial guess on response
 - linear eq. (Gauss-Seidel method)

$$E_m = \{(i, u, v) : y_{iuv} = m\}$$

$$I^{-1}(m) = \frac{1}{\text{Card}(E_m)} \sum_{i,u,v \in E_m} t_i x_{uv}$$

t_i	exposure time of image i
y_{iuv}	pixel of input image i at position uv
I	camera response
x_{uv}	HDR image at position uv
w	weight from certainty model
m	camera output value

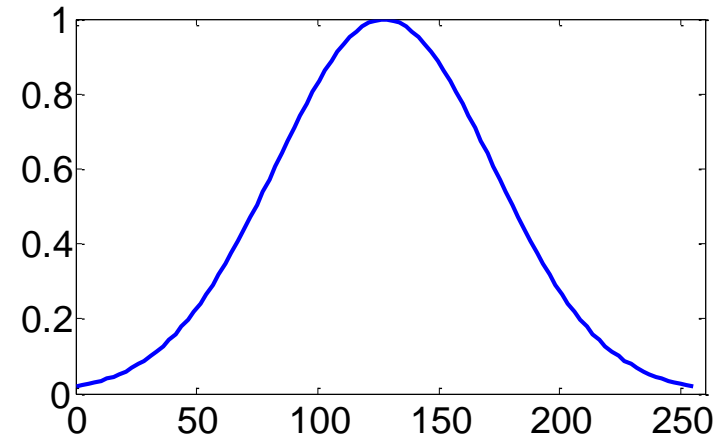
Algorithm (2/3)

- Certainty model (for 8bit image)
 - High confidence in middle output range
 - Dequantization uncertainty term
 - Noise level

$$w(y_{iuv}) = \exp\left(-4 \frac{(y_{iuv} - 127.5)^2}{127.5^2}\right)$$

- Longer exposures are favored t_i^2
 - Less random noise
- Weights

$$w_{iuv} = w(y_{iuv})t_i^2$$



Algorithm (3/3)

1. Assume initial camera response I (linear)
2. Merge input images to HDR

$$x_{uv} = \frac{\sum_i w(y_{iuv}) t_i^2 \cdot \frac{I^{-1}(y_{iuv})}{t_i}}{\sum_i w(y_{iuv}) t_i^2}$$

3. Refine camera response

$$E_m = \{(i, j) : y_{iuv} = m\}$$

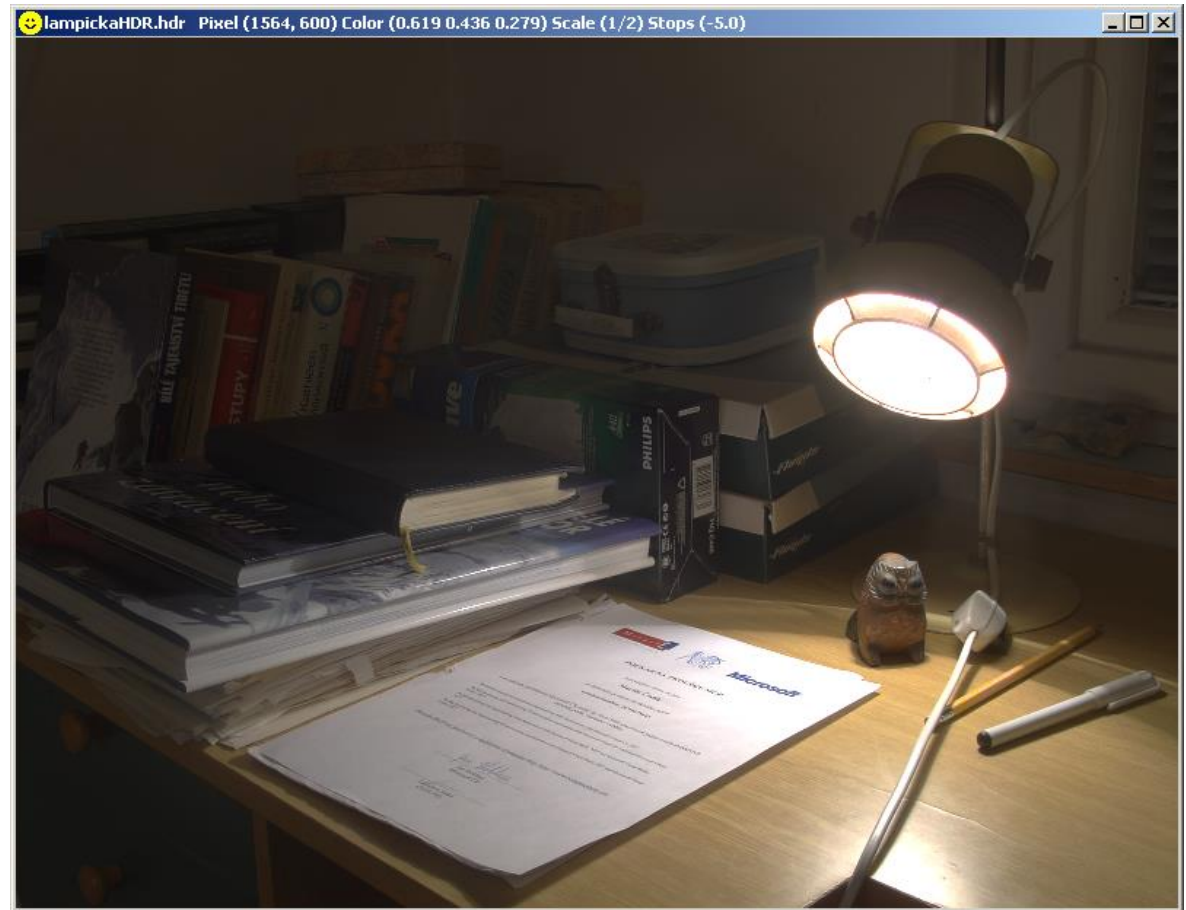
$$I^{-1}(m) = \frac{1}{\text{Card}(E_m)} \sum_{i,u,v \in E_m} t_i x_{uv}$$

4. Normalize camera response by middle value: $I^{-1}(m)/I^{-1}(m_{med})$
5. Repeat 2,3,4 until objective function is acceptable

$$O = \sum_{i,u,v} w(y_{iuv}) (I^{-1}(y_{iuv}) - t_i x_{uv})^2$$

HDR Image

- [sample](#)



Issues with Multi-exposures

- How many source images?
 - First expose for shadows: all output values above 128 (for 8bit image)
 - 2 f-stops spacing (factor of 4) between images
 - one or two images with 1/3 f-stop increase will improve quantization in HDR image
 - Last exposure: no pixel in image with maximum value
- Alignment
 - Shoot from tripod
 - Otherwise use panorama stitching techniques to align images
- Ghosting
 - Moving objects between exposures leave “ghosts”
 - Statistical method to prevent such artifacts
- Practical only for images!
 - Multi-exposure video projects exist, but not very successful

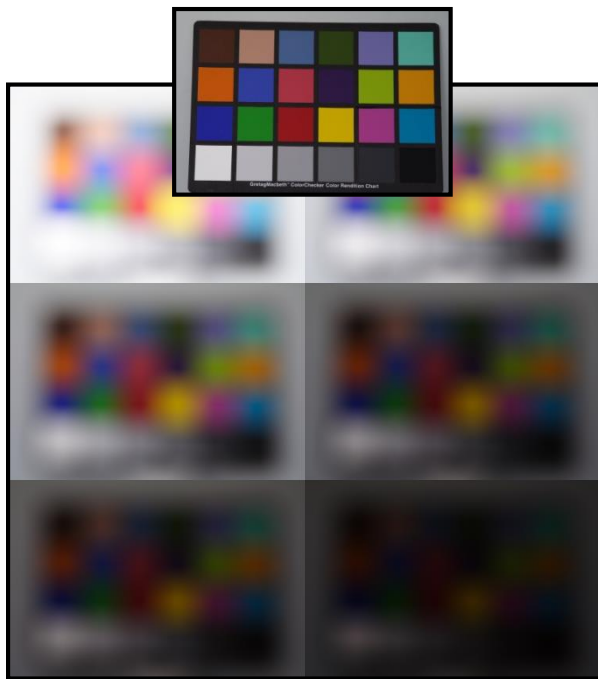
Other Algorithms

- [Debevec & Malik 1997]
 - in log space
 - assumptions on the camera response
 - monotonic
 - continuous
 - a lot to compute for >8bit
- [Mitsunaga & Nayar 1999]
 - camera response approximated with a polynomial
 - very fast
- Both are more robust but less general
 - not possible to calibrate non-standard sensors

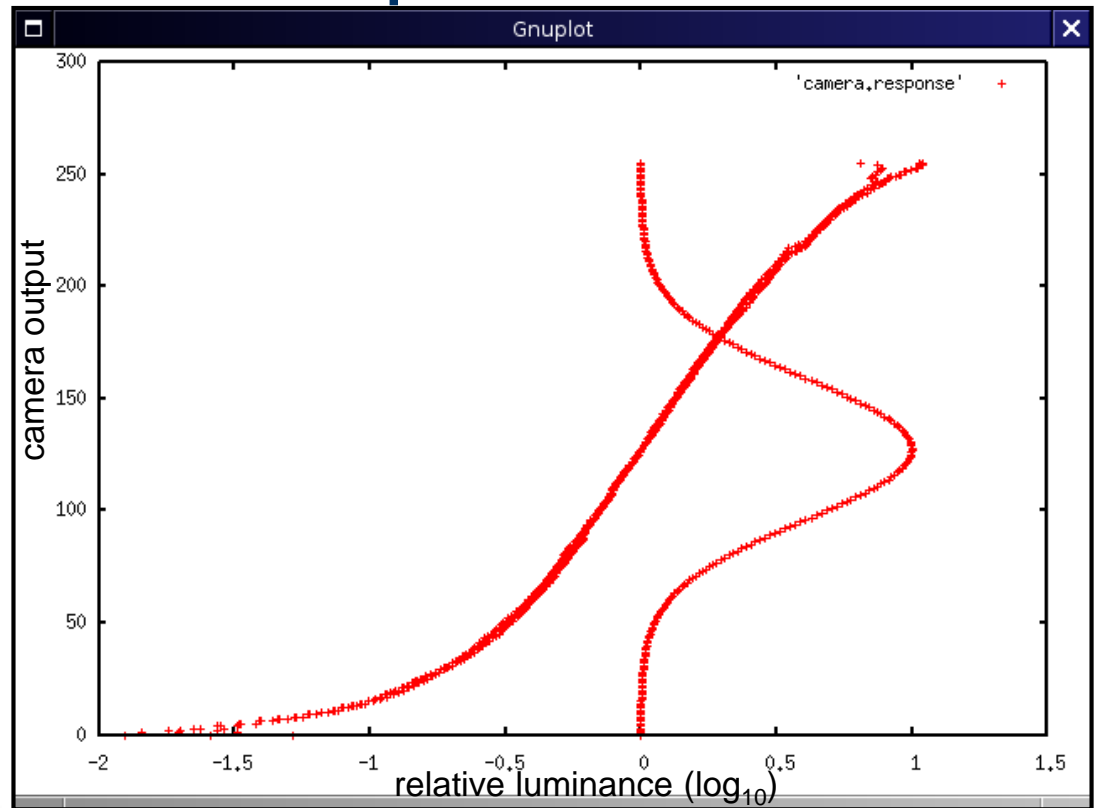
Calibration (Response Recovery)

- Camera response can be reused
 - for the same camera
 - for the same picture style settings (eg. contrast)
- Good calibration target
 - Neutral target (e.g. Gray Card)
 - Minimize impact of color processing in camera
 - Smooth illumination
 - Uniform histogram of input values
 - Out-of-focus
 - No interference with edge aliasing and sharpening

Recovered Camera Response



multiple exposures
of out-of-focus
color chart

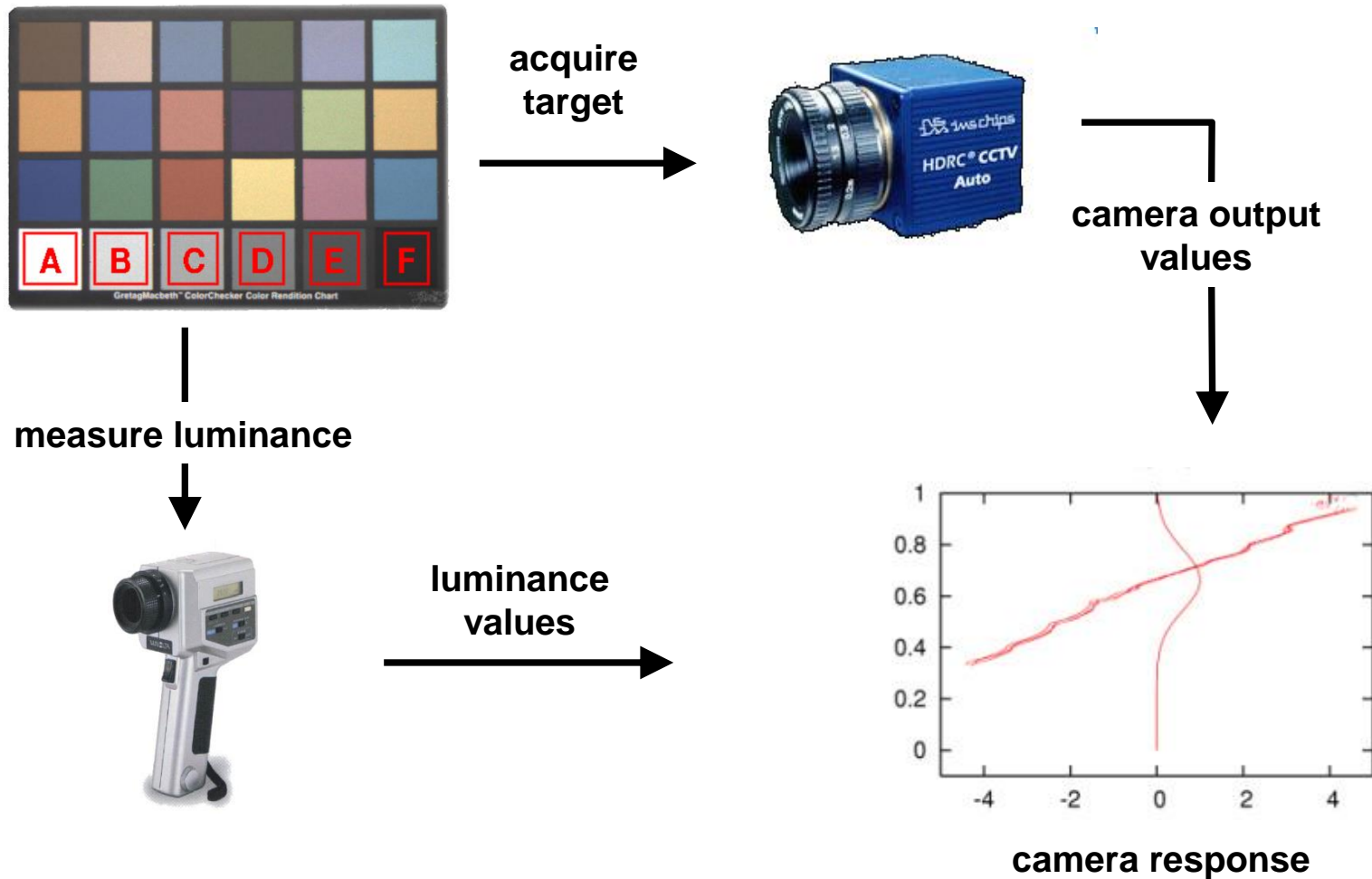


recovered camera response
(for each RGB channel separately)

Photometric Calibration

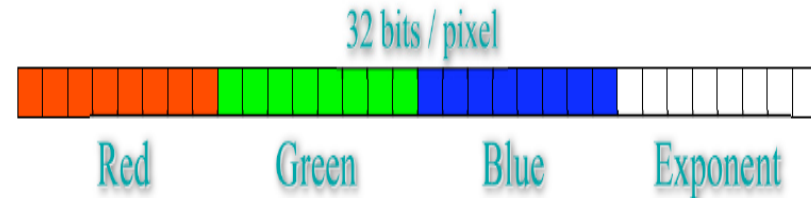
- Converts camera output to luminance
 - requires camera response,
 - and a reference measurement for known exposure settings
- Applications
 - predictive rendering
 - simulation of human vision response to light
 - common output in systems combining different cameras

Photometric Calibration (cntd.)



HDR Image File Formats

- Raw Binary Floating Point (.raw, .cr2, .nef, etc.)
 - cameras, manufacturer-specific
 - not really HDR
- we need **FLOATS** (at least) (.pfm)
 - precision, dynamic range
 - typically 4B == $3.4 \times 10^{\pm 38}$
 - the image file is **4x bigger** (96b/pixel vs. 24b/pixel) than usual!
- Radiance RGBE (.pic, .hdr)
 - [Ward92]
 - 32b/pixel
 - 3x 8b mantissa + 1x exponent
 - $10^{\pm 38}$ (too much, $10^{9/-7}$ would be enough), 1% relative accuracy



HDR Image File Formats

- SGI LogLuv TIFF (.tif)

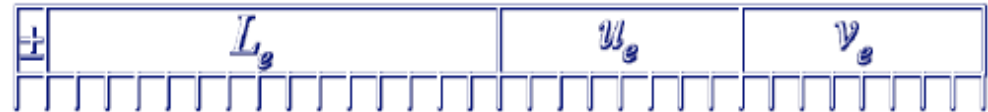
- [Ward 98]

- human perception based:

- log encoding of luminance, $10^{+/-38}$, 0.3% relative accuracy

- CIE (u, v) encoding for chroma, errors under visible threshold

- 3 variants: 24b/pixel, 30b/pixel, 32b/pixel



- OpenEXR (.exr)

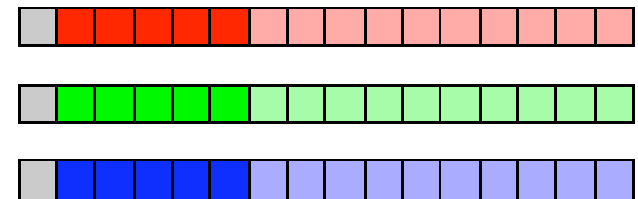
- Industrial Light and Magic [2003]

- 16b float (Half data type)

- 48 or 96b/pixel + lossless compression

- multiresolution

- supported by graphics hardware (NVidia, ATI frame buffers)



sign exponent mantissa

HDR Image File Formats

- JPEG HDR - Subband Encoding (.jpeg) [Ward and Simmons 04]

- Tone-mapped version
+ Ratio image (subband – metadata JFIF)

- Ratio Image:

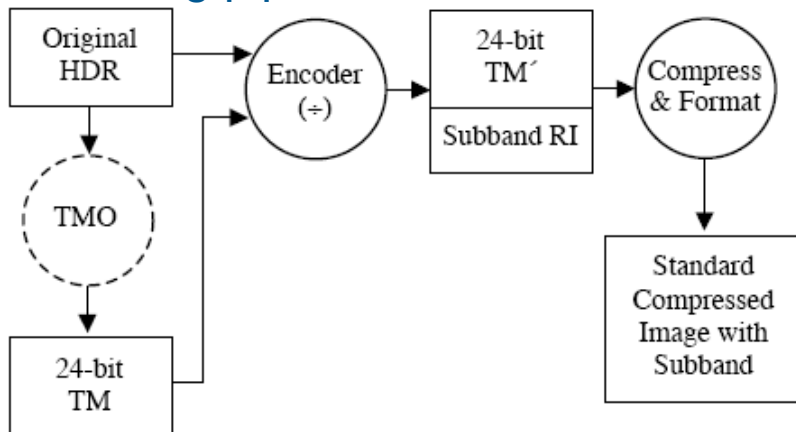
$$RI(x,y) = \frac{L(HDR(x,y))}{L(TM(x,y))}$$

- allows lossy compression

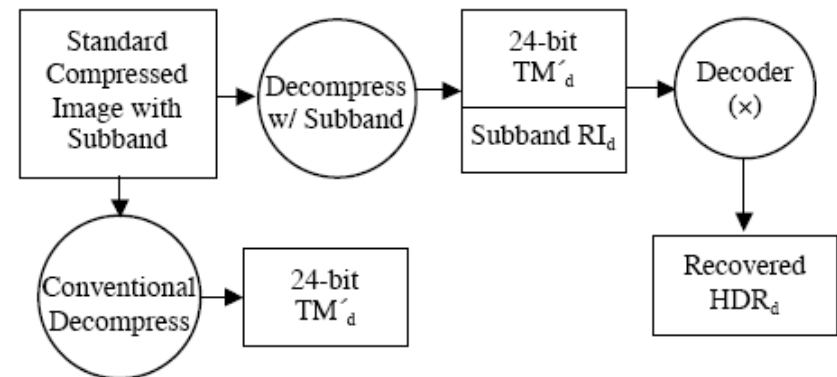
- naive software = tone mapped version, specialized software = HDR



Encoding pipeline

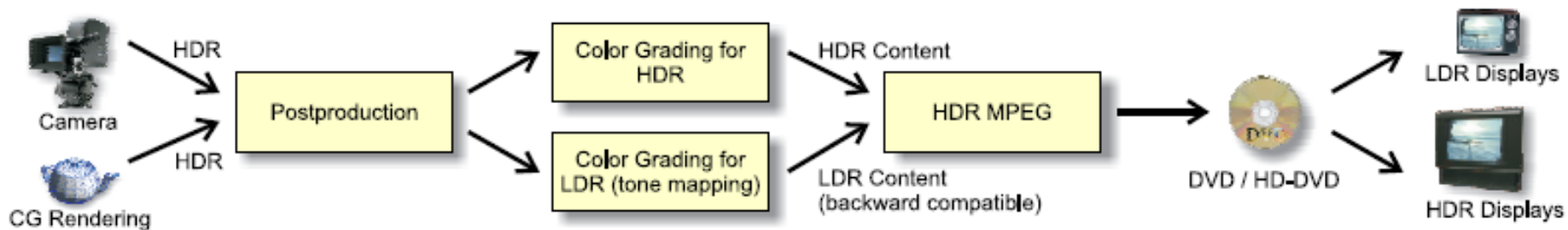


Alternate decoding paths



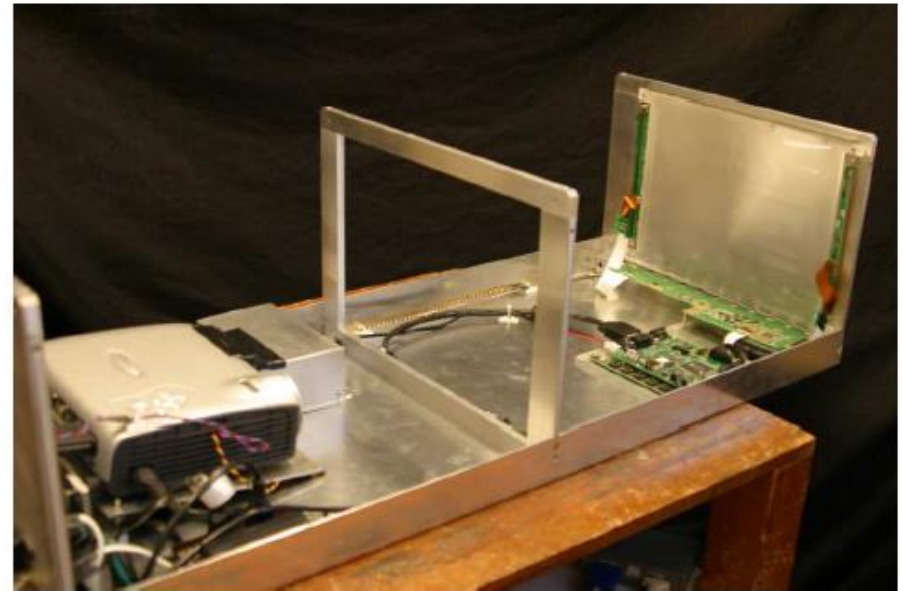
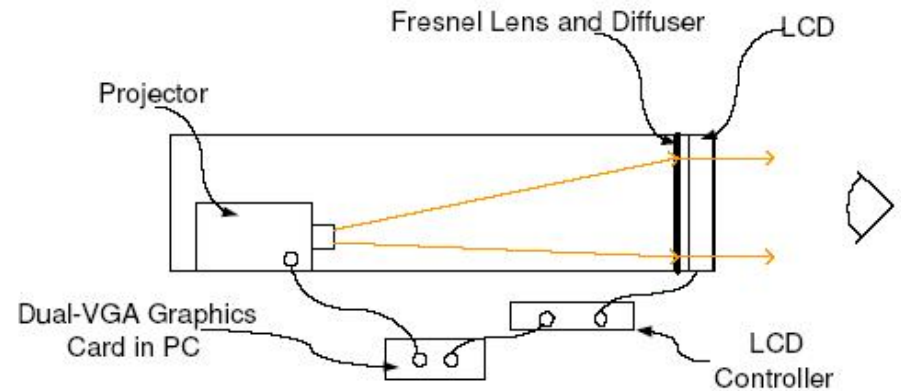
HDR Video

- HDRV – perception-motivated [Mantiuk et al. 04]
 - perceptual Luminance quantization
 - 11b for Luminance + 2x 8b for chrominance
 - based on MPEG-4
 - no LDR (pure HDR video)
- HDR MPEG [Mantiuk et al. 06]
 - backward-compatible MPEG
 - residual stream + standard LDR stream



HDR Display Systems

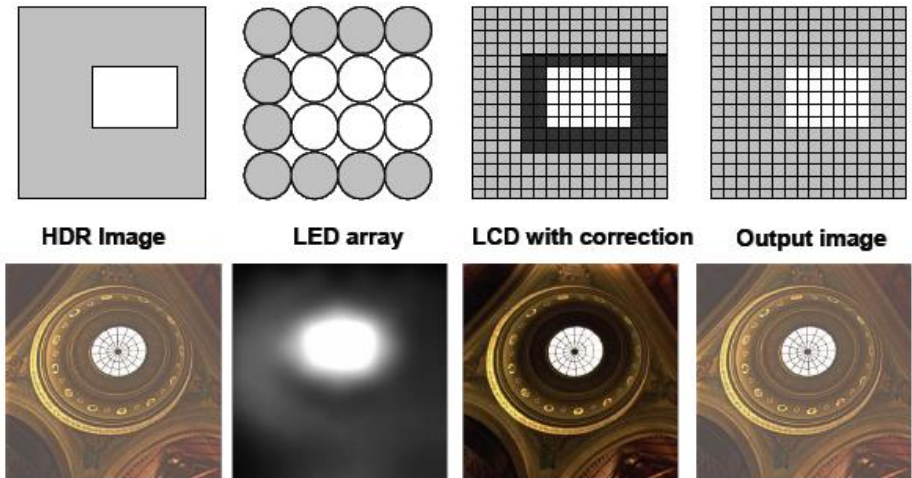
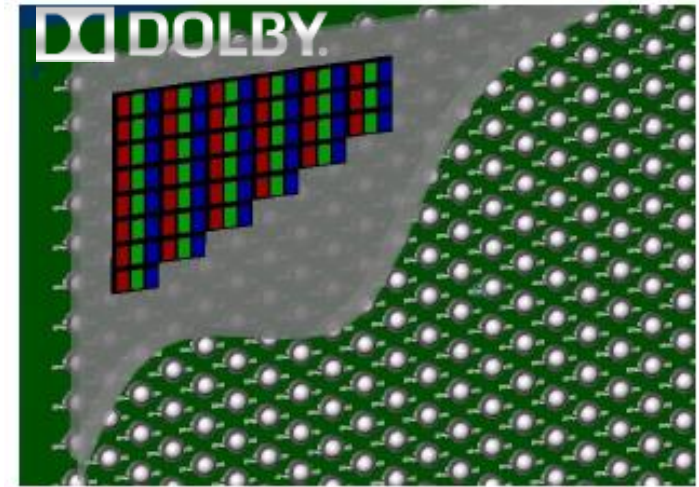
- [Seetzen et al.]
 - LCD panel + projector
 - LCD panel + LED panel
- applications:
 - HDR image viewer
 - interactive photorealistic rendering
 - volume rendering
 - medical image viewer



HDR Display Systems

- ordinary LCD
 - 300:1 to 1000:1
 - black=0.1 to 1 cd/m²
 - peak=300 to 500 cd/m²

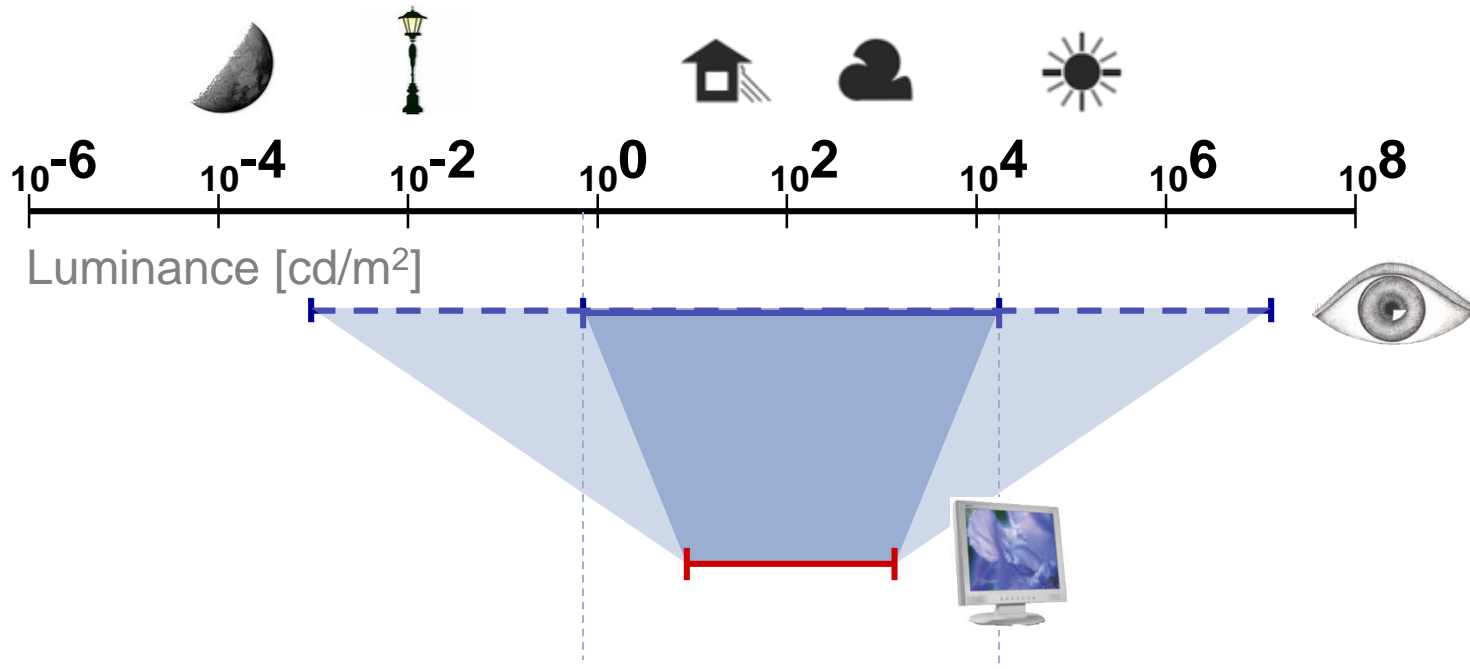
- [brightsidetech.com]
 - HDR LCD
 - individually modulated LEDs (not uniform backlight)
 - 200 000:1
 - black=0 cd/m²
 - peak=4000 cd/m²
 - [HDR from LDR](#)



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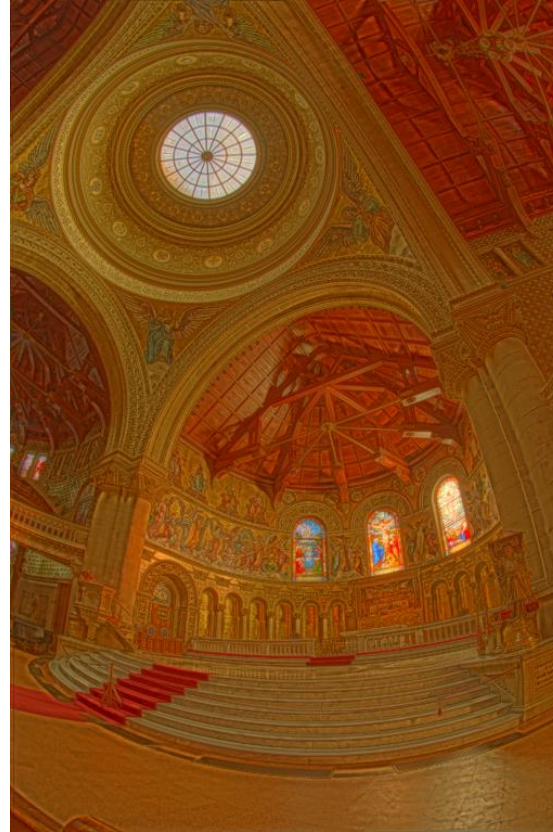


- Many objectives of tone mapping
 - nice looking images
 - perceptual brightness match
 - good detail visibility
 - equivalent object detection performance
 - really application dependent...

Tone Mapping Goals



Aesthetical



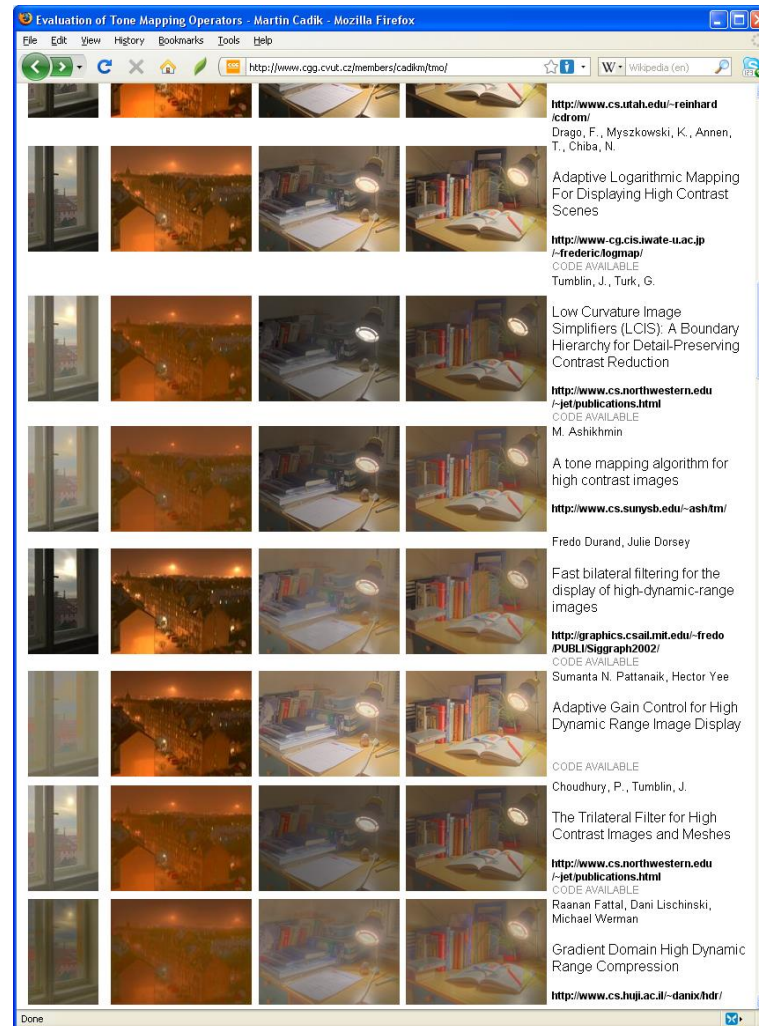
Cognitive



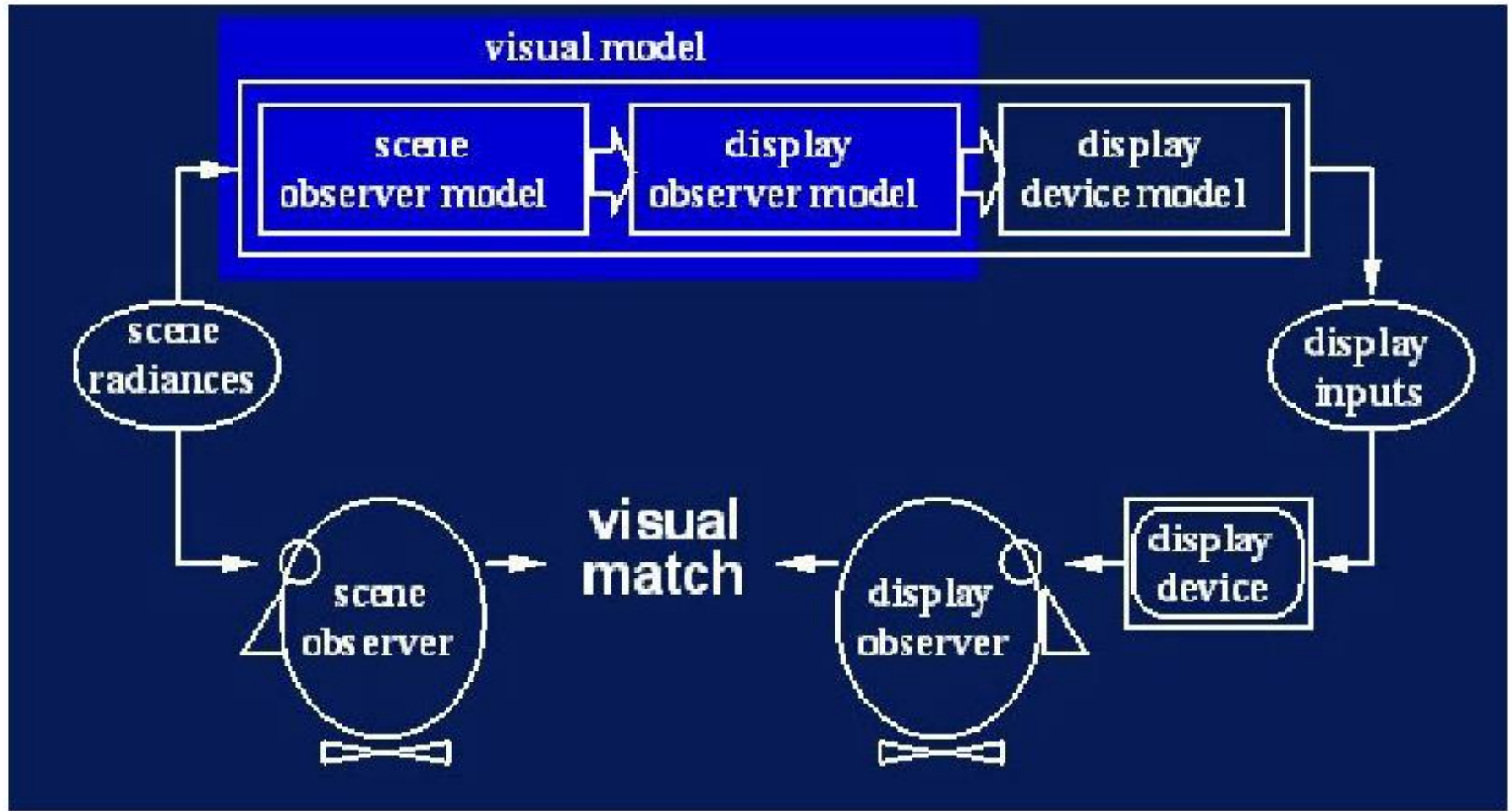
Perceptual

[Čadík et al. 06]

(Over)abundance of Methods



Perceptual: General Principle



[Tumblin and Rushmeier 1993]

General Ideas

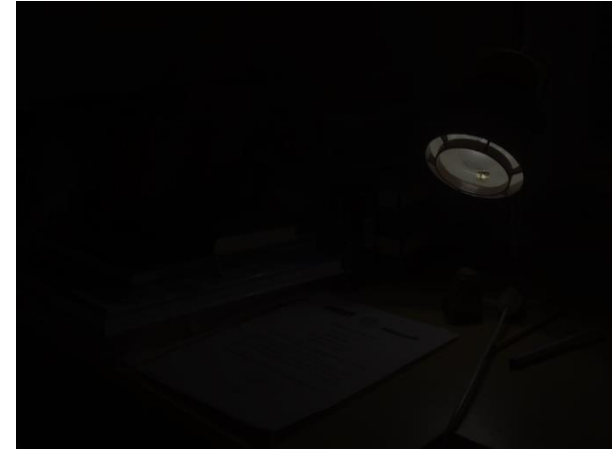
- Luminance as an input
 - absolute luminance
 - relative luminance (luminance factor)
- Transfer function
 - maps luminance to a certain pixel intensity
 - may be the same for all pixels (**global operators**)
 - may depend on spatially local neighbors (**local operators**)
 - dynamic range is reduced to a specified range
- Pixel intensity as output
 - often requires gamma correction
- Colors
 - most algorithms work on luminance
 - use RGB to Yxy color space transform
 - inverse transform using tone mapped luminance
 - otherwise each RGB channel processed independently

General Problems

- Constraint observation conditions
 - limited contrast
 - quantization
 - different ambient illumination
 - different luminance levels
 - adaptation level often incorrect for the scene
 - narrow field of view
- Appearance may not always be matched

Transfer Functions

- Linear mapping (naïve approach)
 - like taking an usual digital photo
- Log function
- Sigmoid responses
 - simulate our photoreceptors
 - simulate response of photographic film
- Histogram equalization
 - standard image processing
 - requires detection threshold limit to prevent contouring



Adapting Luminance

- Maps luminance on a scale of gray
- Task is to match gray levels
 - average luminance in the scene is perceived as a gray shade of medium brightness
 - such luminance is mapped on medium brightness of a display
 - the rest is mapped proportionally
- Practically adjusts brightness
 - like using gray card or auto-exposure in photography
 - goal of adaptation processes in human vision
- Adapting luminance exists in many TM algorithms

$$Y_A = \exp\left(\frac{\sum \log(Y + \varepsilon)}{N} - \varepsilon\right)$$

Logarithmic Tone Mapping

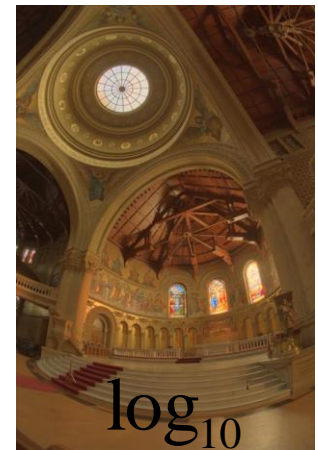
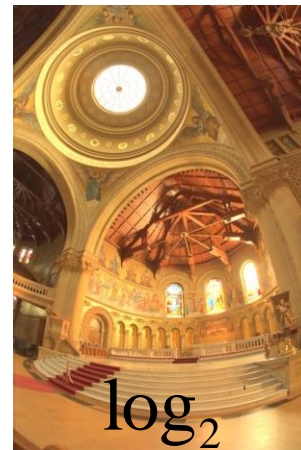
- Logarithm is a crude approximation of brightness
- Change of base for varied contrast mapping in bright and dark areas
 - \log_{10} maps better for bright areas
 - \log_2 maps better for dark areas
- Mapping parameter *bias* in range 0.1:1

[Drago et al. 03]

$$Y' = \frac{Y}{Y_A}$$

$$L = L_{\max} \cdot \frac{\log_{base(Y)}(Y'+1)}{\log_{10}(\max(Y') + 1)}$$

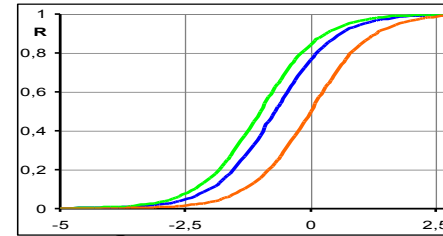
$$base(Y') = 2 + 8 \cdot \left(\frac{Y'}{\max(Y')} \right)^{\log_{0.5} bias}$$



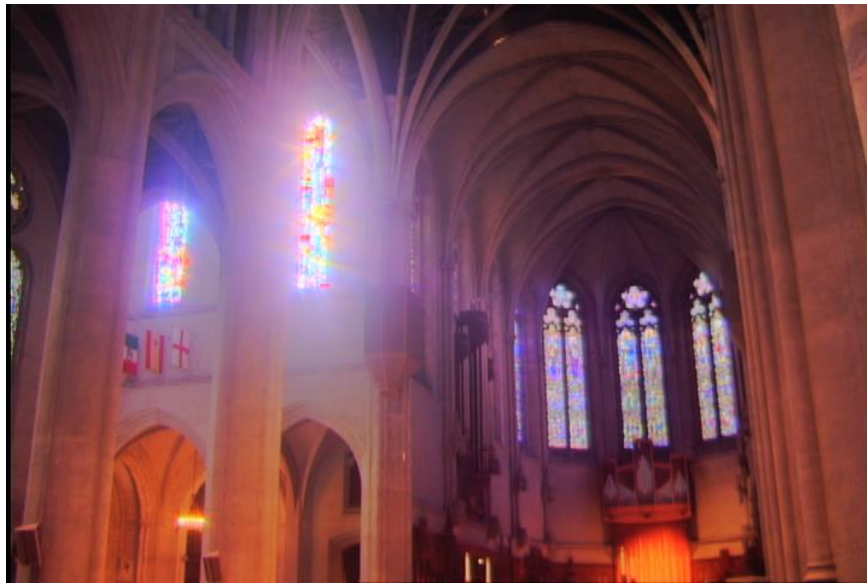
Sigmoid Response

- Model of photoreceptor

$$L = \frac{Y}{Y + (f \cdot Y_A)^m} L_{\max}$$



- Brightness parameter f
- Contrast parameter m
- Adapting luminance Y_A
 - average in an image
 - measured pixel (equal to Y)



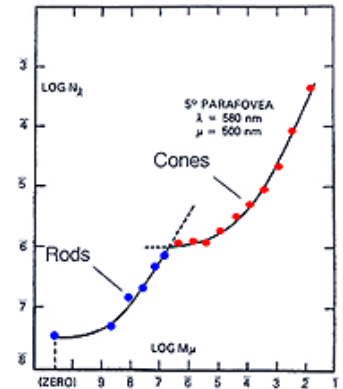
logarithmic mapping



sigmoid mapping

Histogram Equalization (1)

- Adapts transfer function to distribution of luminance in the image
- Algorithm:
 - compute histogram
 - compute transfer function (cumulative distribution)
 - limit slope of transfer function to prevent contouring
 - contouring – visible difference between 1 quantization step
 - use threshold versus intensity function (TVI)
 - TVI gives visible luminance difference for adapting luminance
- “Optimal” transfer function
- Not efficient when large uniform areas are present in the image



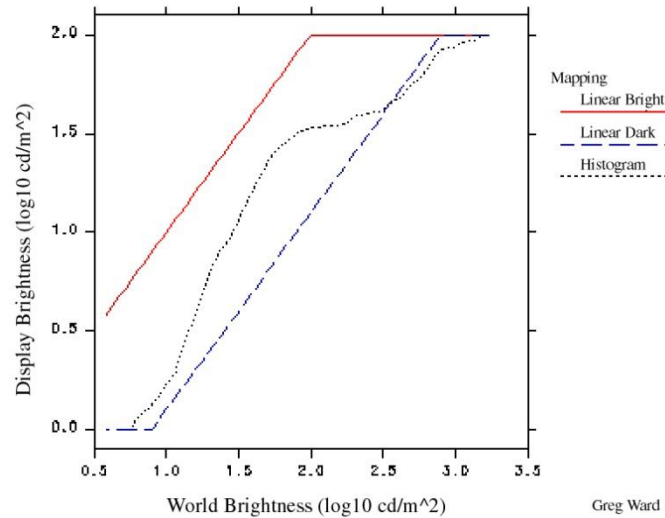
Histogram Equalization (2)

World to Display Luminance Mapping



A linear mapping of the luminances that overexposes the view through the window.

Greg Ward



A linear mapping of the luminances that underexposes the view of the interior.

Greg Ward



The luminances mapped to preserve the visibility of both indoor and outdoor features.

[Ward et al. 97]

Transfer Functions Compared



linear —



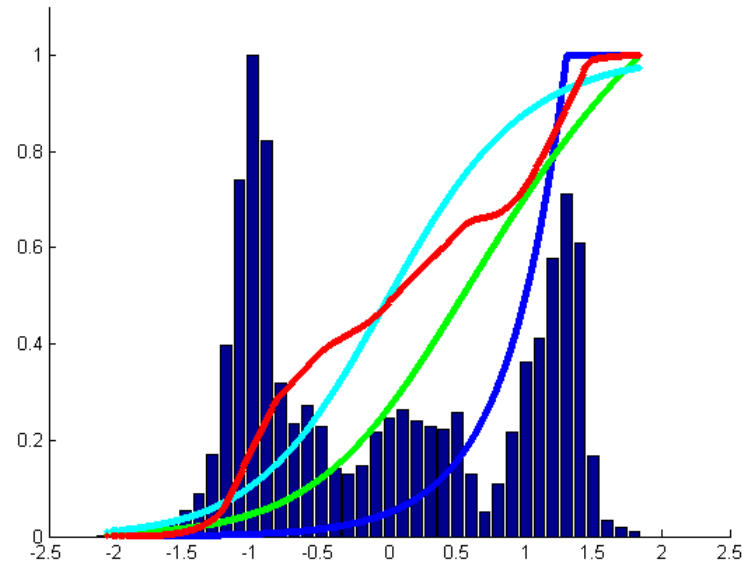
logarithmic —



photoreceptor —



histogram eq. —



- Interpretation
 - steepness of slope is contrast
 - luminance for which output is ~ 0 and ~ 1 is not transferred
- Usually low contrast for dark and bright areas!

Problem with Details



- Strong compression of contrast puts micro-contrasts (details) below quantization level

Introducing Local Adaptation

- Eye adapts locally to observed area

$$L = \frac{Y'}{Y'+1} \quad Y' = \frac{Y}{Y_A} \quad L = \frac{Y'}{Y_L'+1}$$

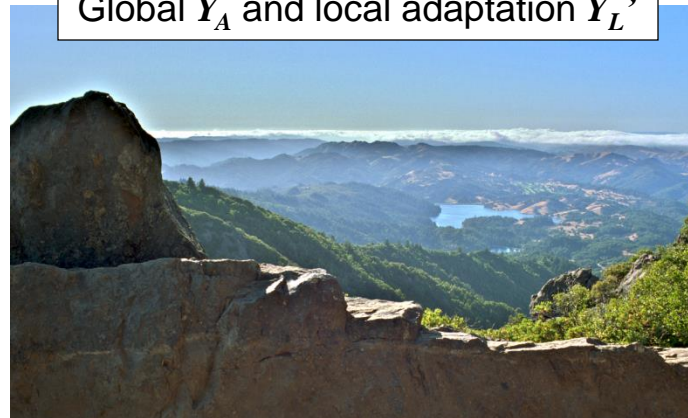


Global adaptation Y_A

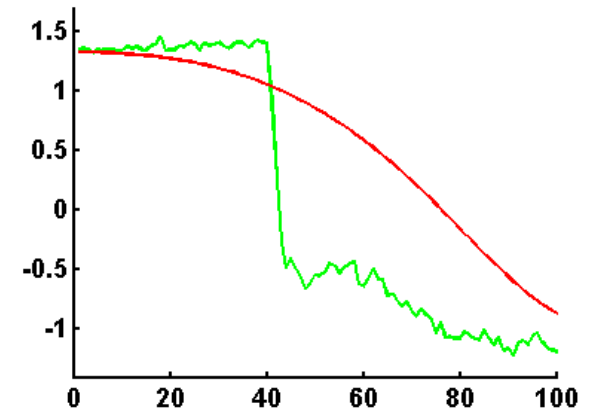
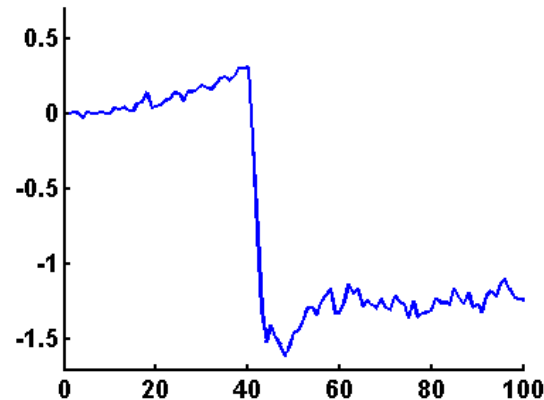
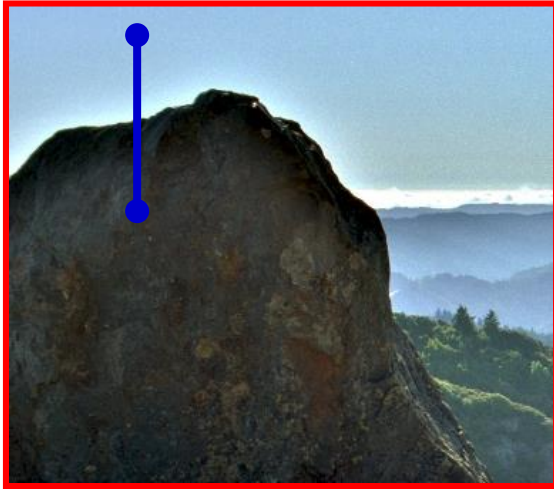


Gaussian blur of HDR image, $\sigma \sim 1$ deg of visual angle.

Global Y_A and local adaptation Y_L'



The Halo Artifact

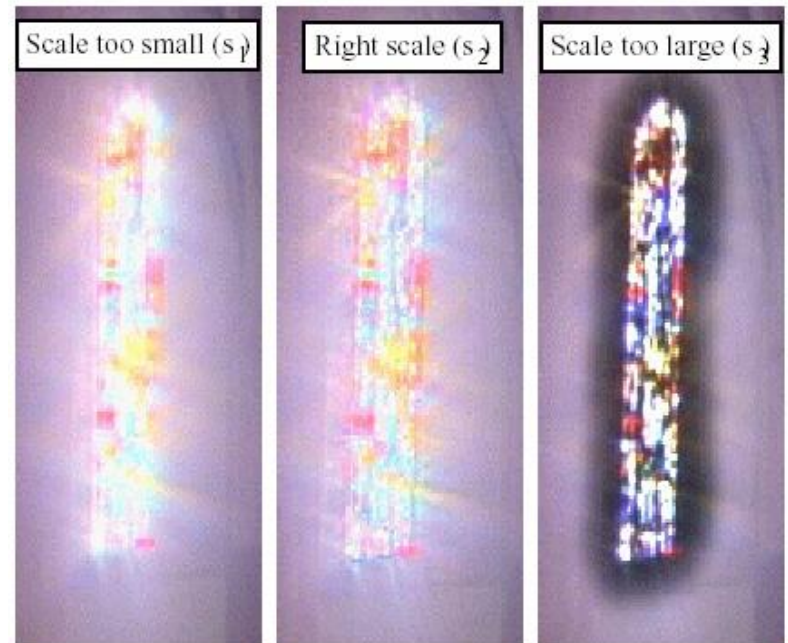
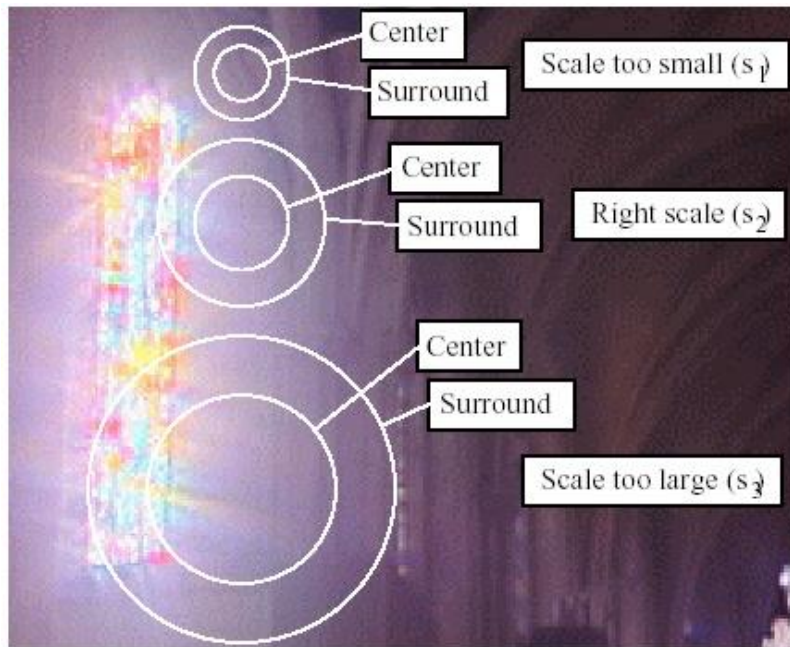


- Scan line example:
 - Gaussian blur under- (over-) estimates **local adaptation** near a **high contrast edge**
 - **tone mapped image** gets too bright (too dark) closer to such an edge
- Smaller blur kernel reduces the artifact (but then no details)
- Larger blur kernel spreads the artifact on larger area

Adjusting Gaussian Blur

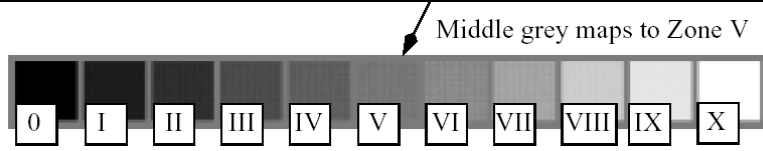
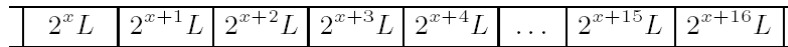
- So called: Automatic Dodging and Burning
 - for each pixel, test increasing blur size σ_i
 - choose the largest blur which does not show halo artifact

[Reinhard et al. 02]
$$|Y_L(x, y, \sigma_i) - Y_L(x, y, \sigma_{i+1})| < \varepsilon$$



Photographic Tone Reproduction

- Map luminance using Zone System



Print zones: Zone V 18% reflectance

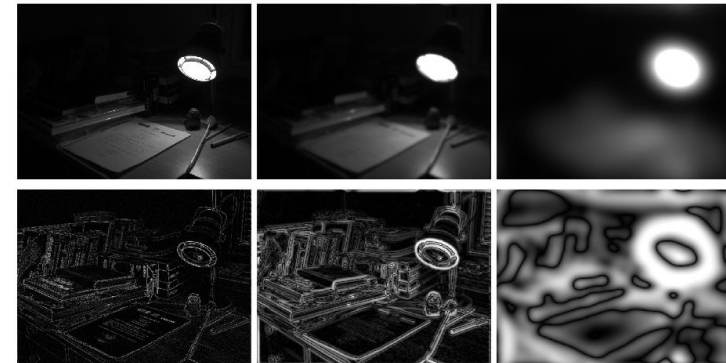
$$Y' = \frac{Y}{Y_A}, \quad Y_A = \exp\left(\frac{\sum \log(Y)}{N}\right)$$

- Find local adaptation for each pixel
 - appropriate size of Gaussian (automatic dodging & burning)

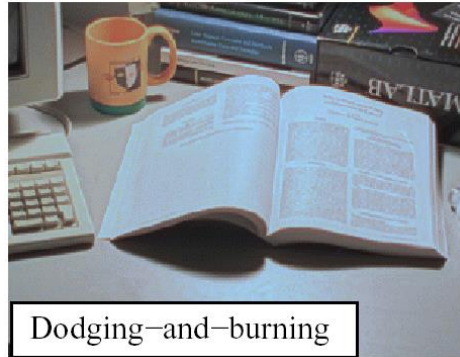
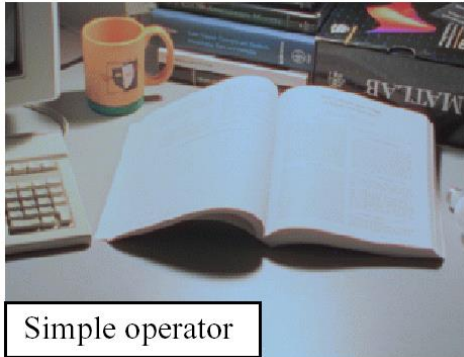
$$\left| Y_L'(x, y, \sigma_i) - Y_L'(x, y, \sigma_{i+1}) \right| < \varepsilon$$

- Tone map using sigmoid function
 - different blur levels from Gaussian pyramid

$$L(x, y) = \frac{Y'(x, y)}{Y_L'(x, y, \sigma_{x,y}) + 1}$$

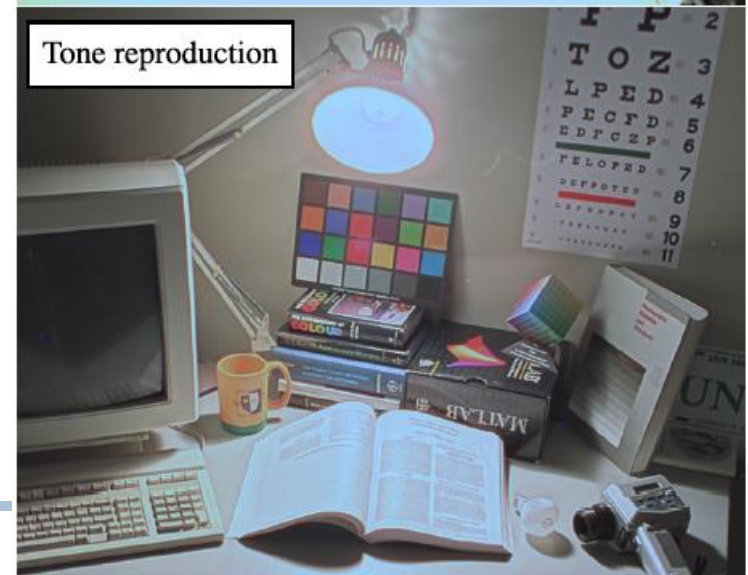
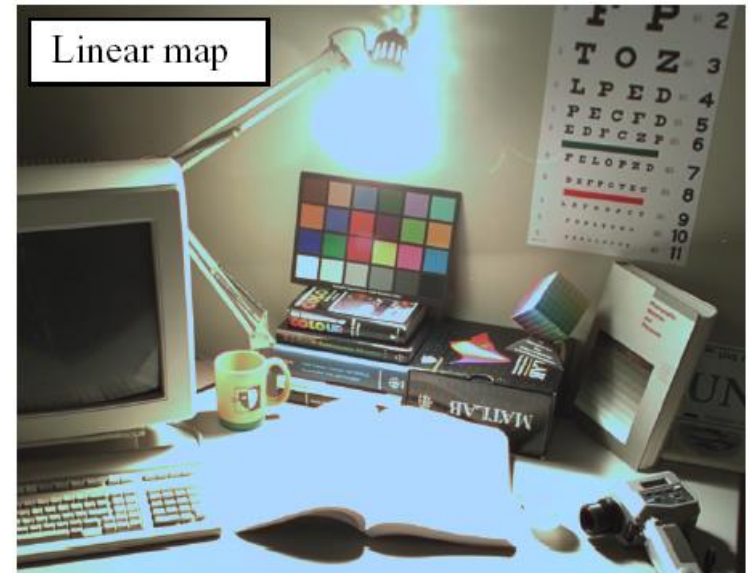


Photographic Tone Reproduction



- dodge** luminance of pixels in bright regions is significantly decreased
- burn** pixels in dark regions are compressed less, so their relative intensity increases

Automatic dodging-and-burning technique is more effective in preserving local details (notice the print in the book).

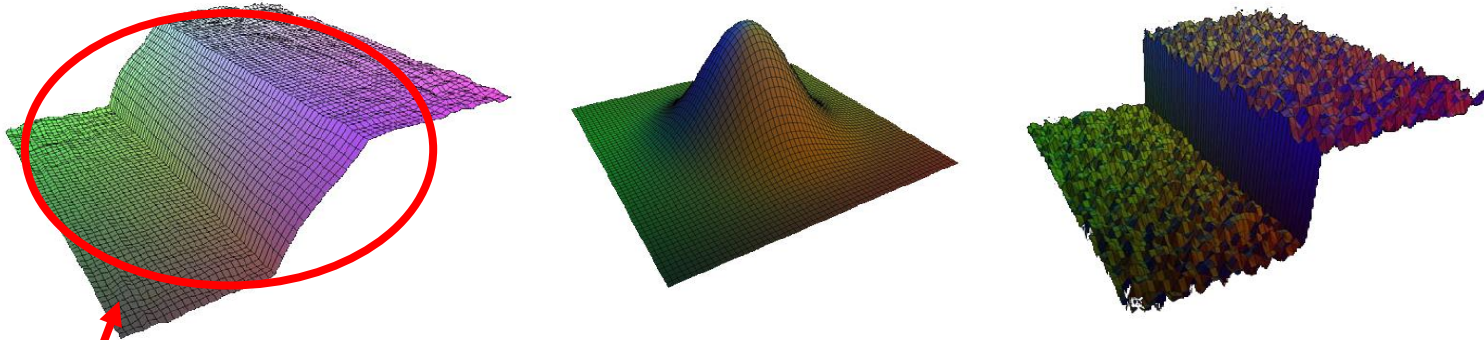


Bilateral Filtering

- Edge preserving Gaussian filter to prevent halo
- Conceptually based on intrinsic image models:
 - decoupling of illumination and reflectance layers
 - very simple task in CG
 - complicated for real-world scenes
 - compress range of illumination layer
 - preserve reflectance layer (details)
- Bilateral filter separates:
 - texture details (high frequencies, low amplitudes)
 - illumination (low frequencies, high contrast edges)

Illumination Layer (1)

- Identify low frequencies in the scene
 - Gaussian filtering leads to halo artifacts



$$J_p = \frac{1}{W_p} \sum_{q \in N(p)} f_{\sigma_s}(\|p - q\|) \cdot I_q$$

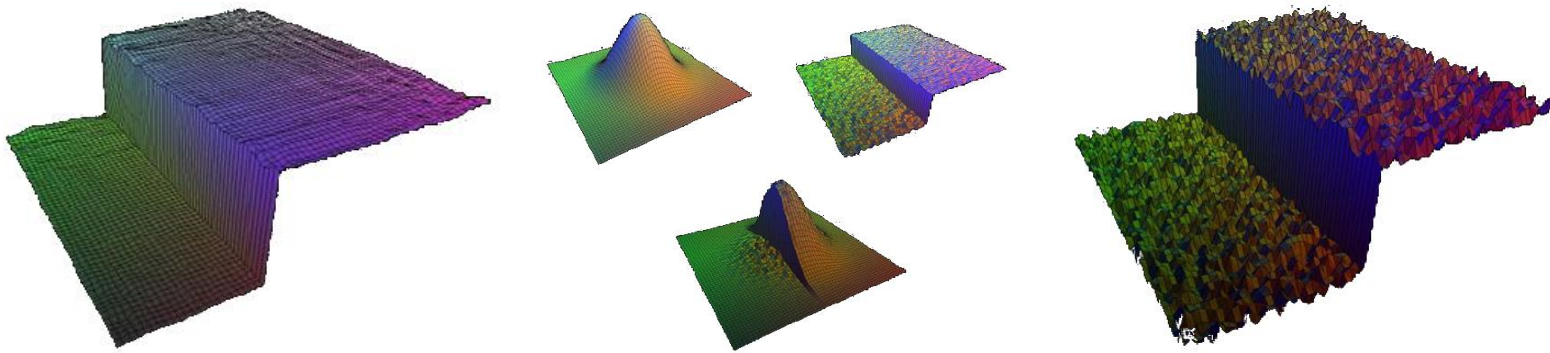
f - spatial kernel with large σ_s

lost sharp edge



Illumination Layer (2)

- Edge preserving filter – no halo artifacts



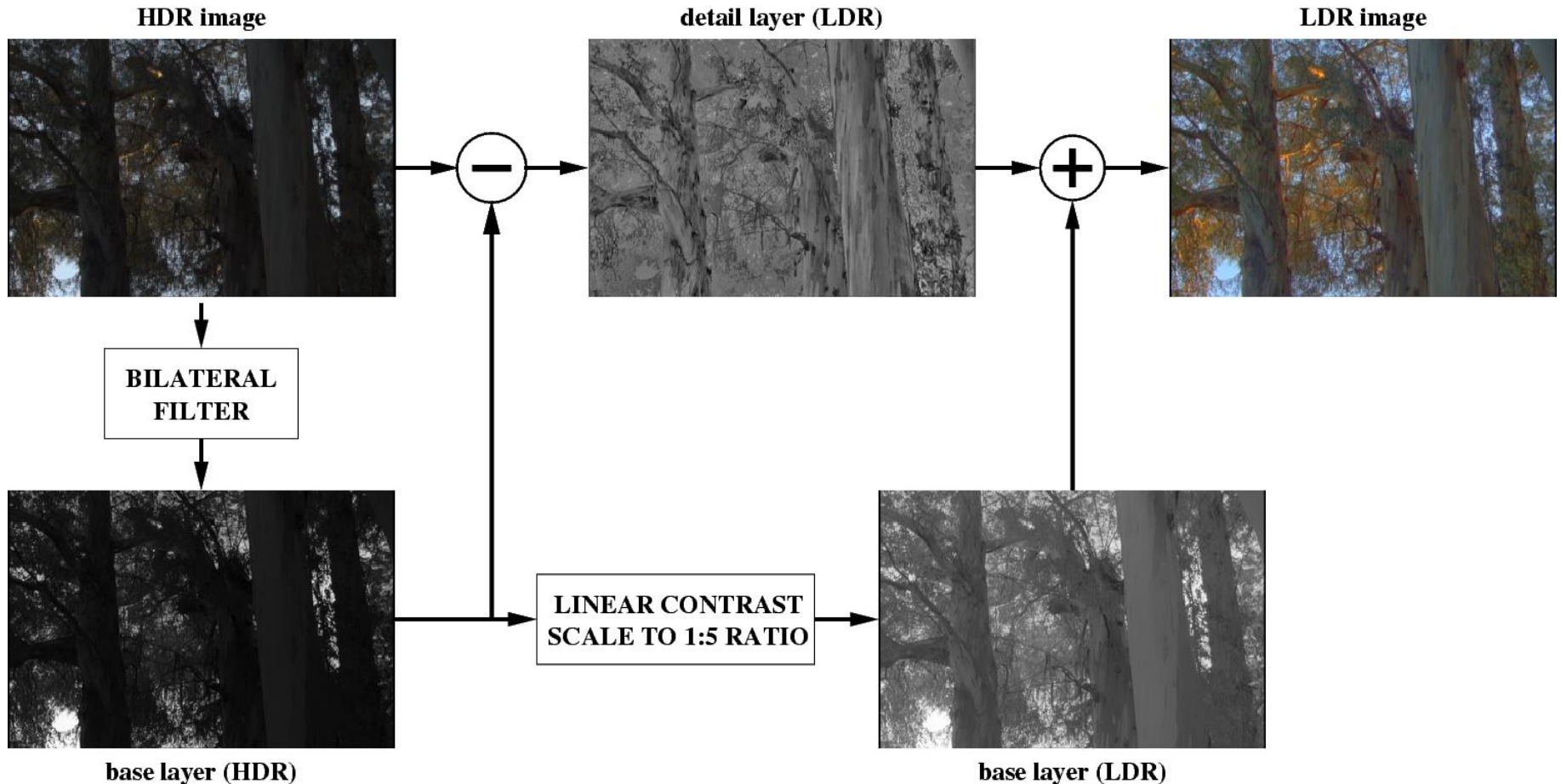
$$J_p = \frac{1}{W_p} \sum_{q \in N(p)} f_{\sigma_s}(\|p - q\|) \cdot g_{\sigma_r}(|I_p - I_q|) \cdot I_q$$

f - spatial kernel with large σ_s

g - range kernel with very small σ_r



Tone Mapping Algorithm



Luminance in logarithmic domain.

[Durand and Dorsey 02]

Illumination & Reflectance



Alternative Approaches to TM

- Gradient domain tone mapping
 - transfer function for contrasts (not luminance)

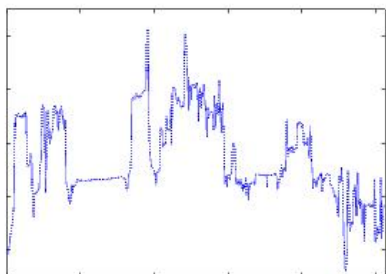


- Segmentation for tone Mapping
 - based on perception theory and Gestalt assumptions
 - fuzzy segmentation based on illumination
 - simple tone mapping within segments

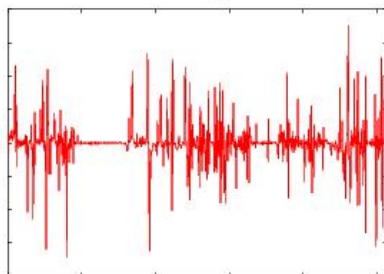
Gradient Compression Algorithm

[Fattal et al. 02]

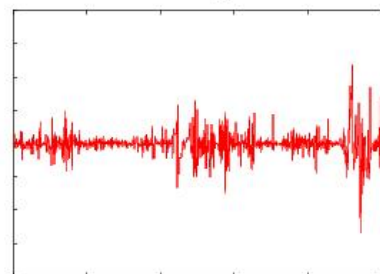
HDR scanline



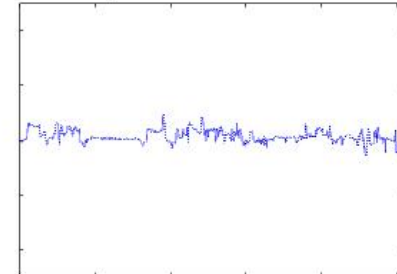
luminance gradients



attenuated gradients



compressed scanline



$$H = \log L$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$H(x, y)$$



$$\nabla H(x, y)$$



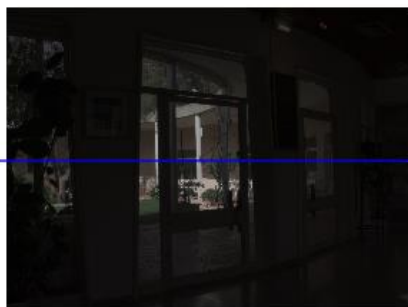
$$G(x, y) = \nabla H(x, y) * \Phi(x, y)$$



$$\nabla^2 I = \text{div } G$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$L_d = \exp I$$



HDR scene



luminance gradients' map



attenuation map



compressed image

1. Calculate gradients map of image
2. Calculate attenuation map

3. Attenuate gradients
4. Solve Poisson equation to recover image

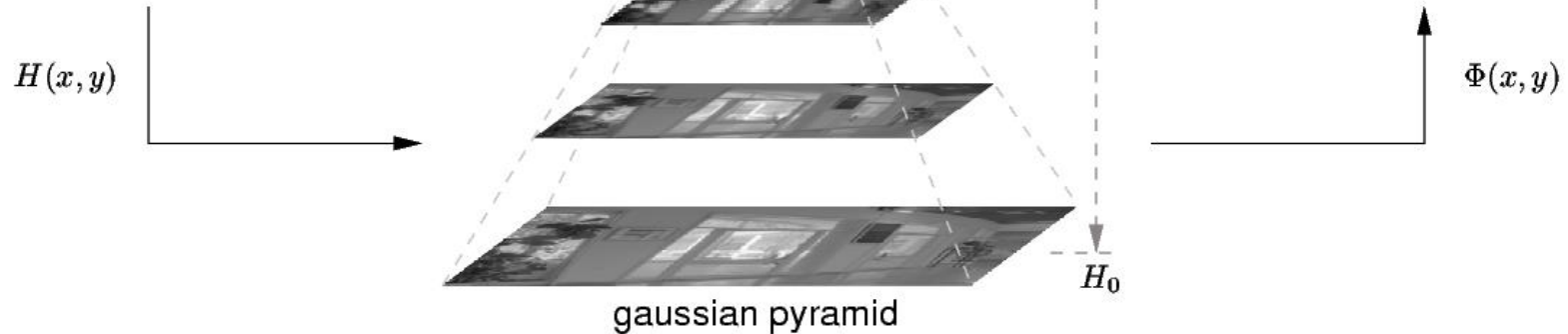
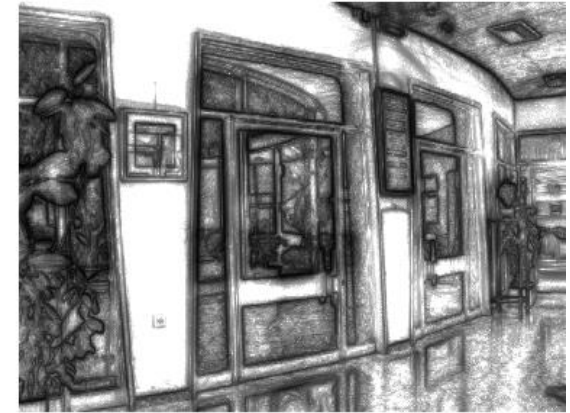
Attenuation Map

HDR scene



$$\varphi_k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\alpha}{\|\nabla \mathbf{H}_k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\|} * \left(\frac{\|\nabla \mathbf{H}_k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\|}{\alpha} \right)^\beta$$

attenuation map

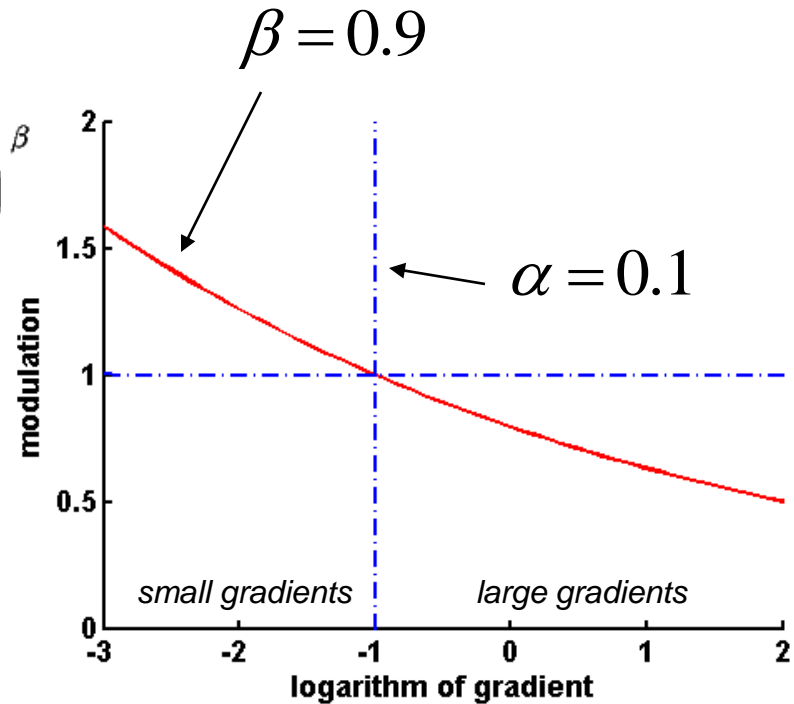


1. Create Gaussian pyramid
2. Calculate gradients on levels

3. Calculate attenuation on levels - φ_k
4. Propagate levels to full resolution

Transfer Function for Contrasts

$$\varphi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\alpha}{\|\nabla \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\|} * \left(\frac{\|\nabla \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\|}{\alpha} \right)^{\beta}$$



- Attenuate large gradients
 - presumably illumination
- Amplify small gradients
 - hopefully texture details
 - but also noise

Global vs. Local Compression

Adaptive Logarithmic Mapping



- Loss of overall contrast
- Loss of texture details
- Short execution time
- Simple hardware implementation

Gradient Domain Compression



- Impression of high contrast
- Good preservation of fine details
- Takes time
- Complicated hardware implementation

Alternative Approaches to TM

- Gradient domain tone mapping
 - transfer function for contrasts not luminance
 - basic idea today
 - contrast processing framework on the next lecture
- Segmentation for Tone Mapping
 - based on perception theory and Gestalt assumptions
 - fuzzy segmentation based on illumination
 - simple tone mapping within segments

Lightness Perception

- Lightness depends strongly on the context
(according to “Anchoring Theory of Lightness Perception”)
- And does not depend on:
 - absolute luminance
 - its relation with background
(this is against contrast theories)
- Fuzzy segmentation for tone mapping
 - to find spatial contexts
 - to tone map within such contexts

[Krawczyk et al. 06]

Estimation of Lightness

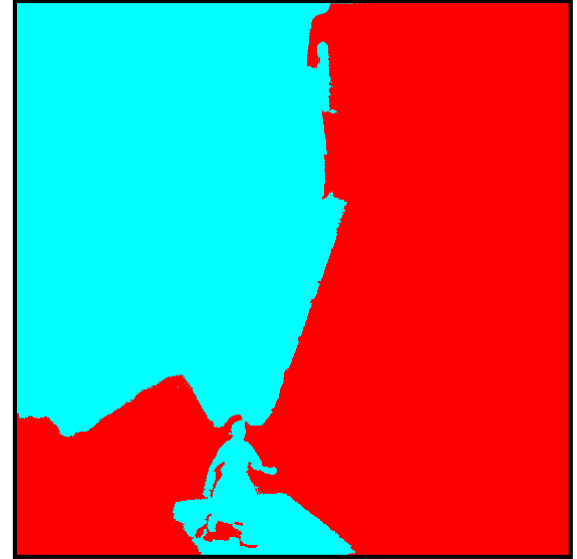


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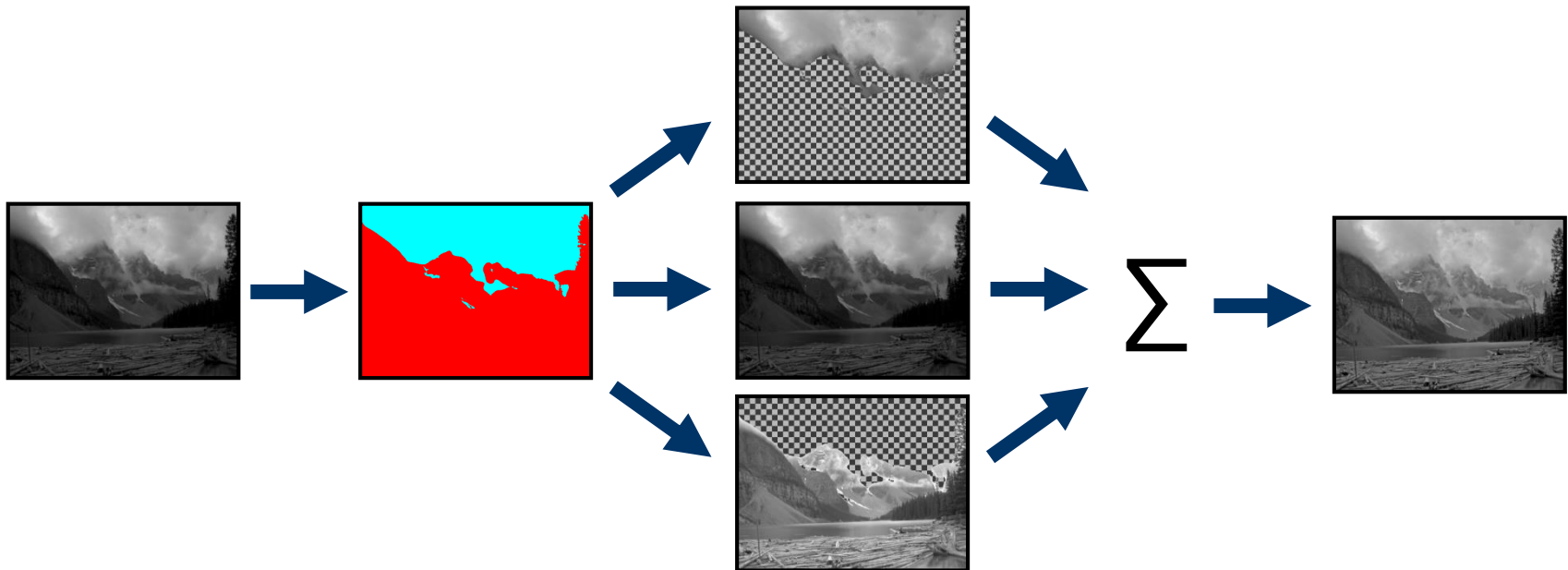
- Constant lightness within certain image areas

The Theory

“An Anchoring Theory of Lightness Perception”
developed by Gilchrist et al. 1999

Key concepts:

- **Frameworks** – areas of common illumination
- **Anchoring** – luminance \rightarrow lightness mapping

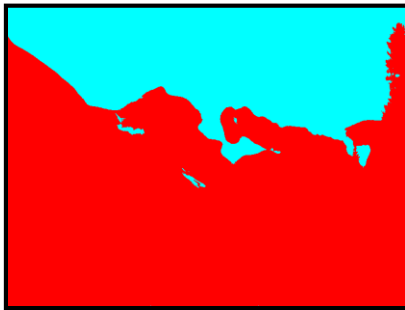


Fuzzy Segmentation

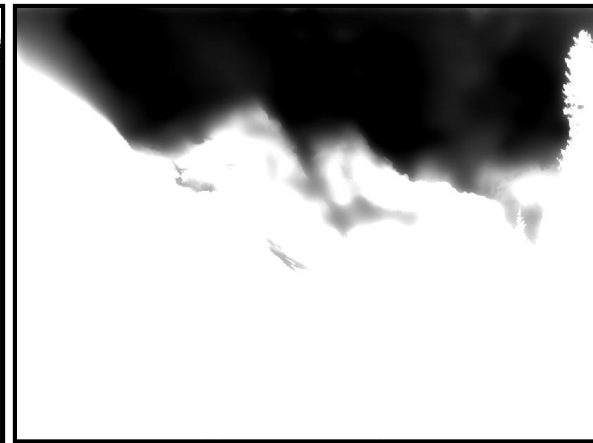


Perceptual organization:

- semantic grouping
- good continuation
- grouping of illumination
- proximity



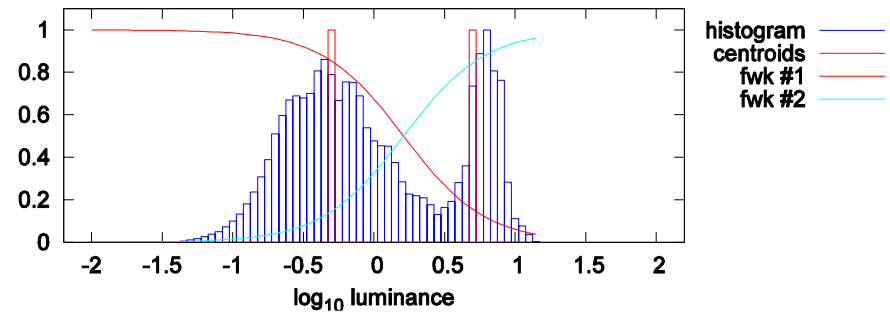
Probability maps define segments



Computational Model for Frameworks

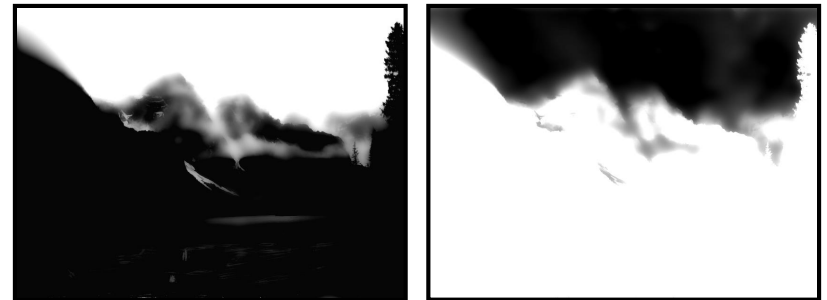
1. Identify frameworks by luminance

- grouping of illumination
- customized K-means
constraints imposed by the theory
- probability distr. defined by centroids

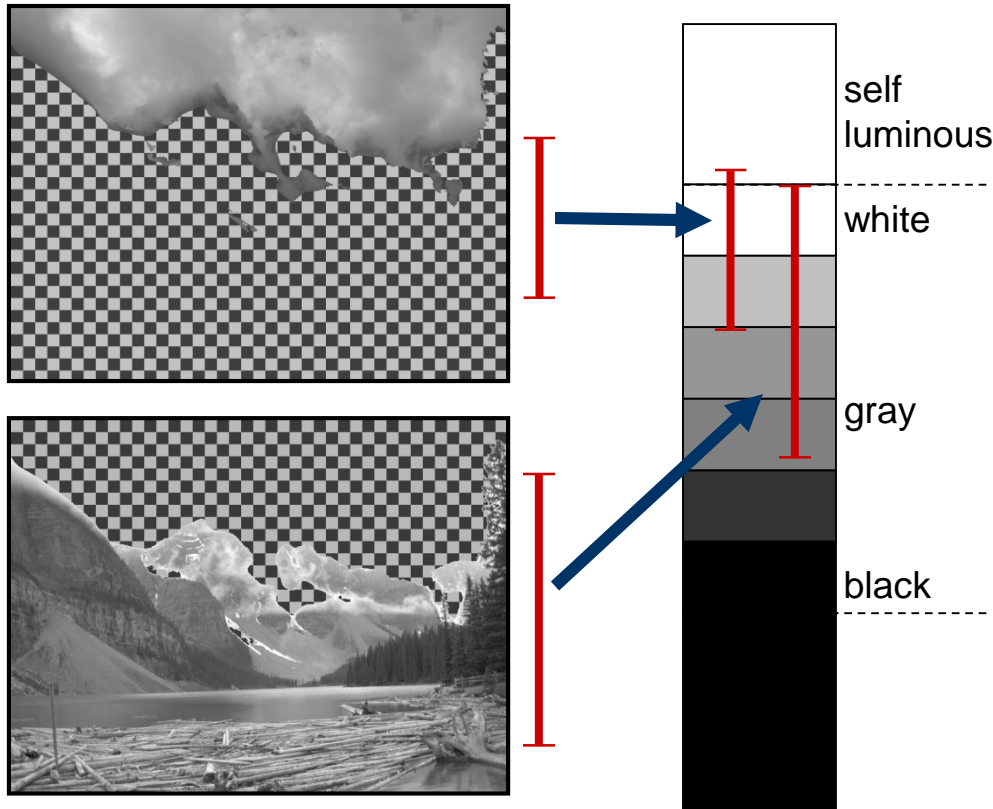


2. Refine fuzzy frameworks

- proximity
- edge preserving spatial filtering of probabilities



Lightness in Frameworks



Anchoring to white:

- highest luminance appears white
- highest luminance may appear self-luminous

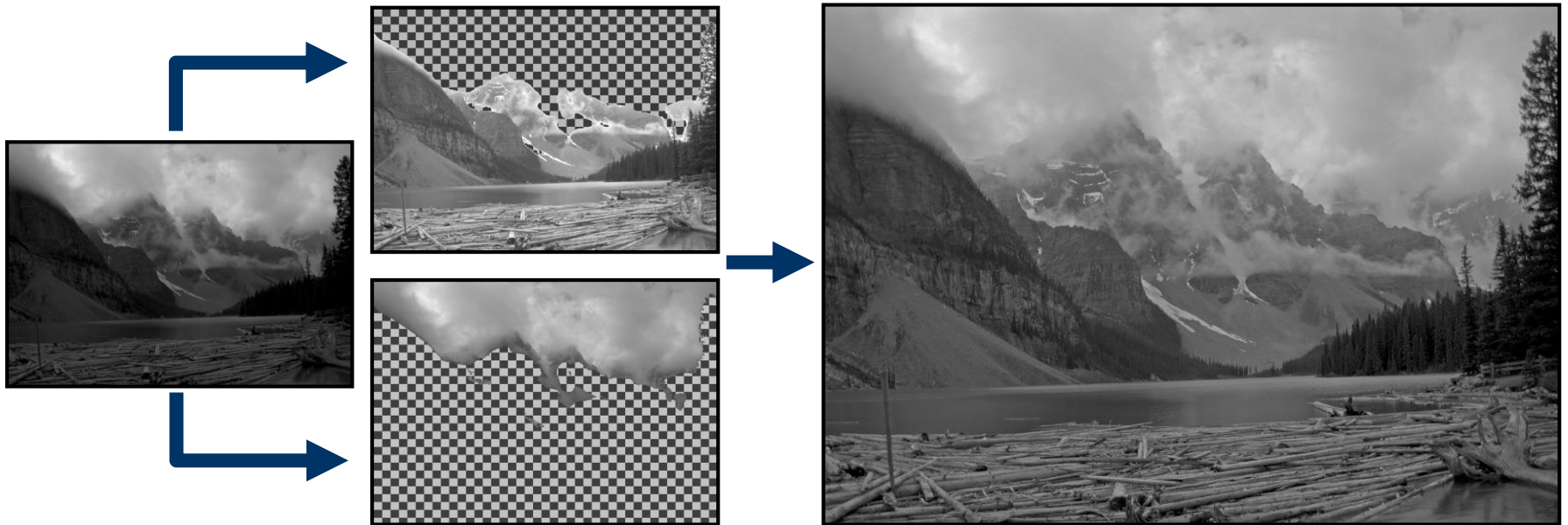
Our approach:

- filter framework area to eliminate highlights
- highest luminance in framework becomes an anchor

Net Lightness

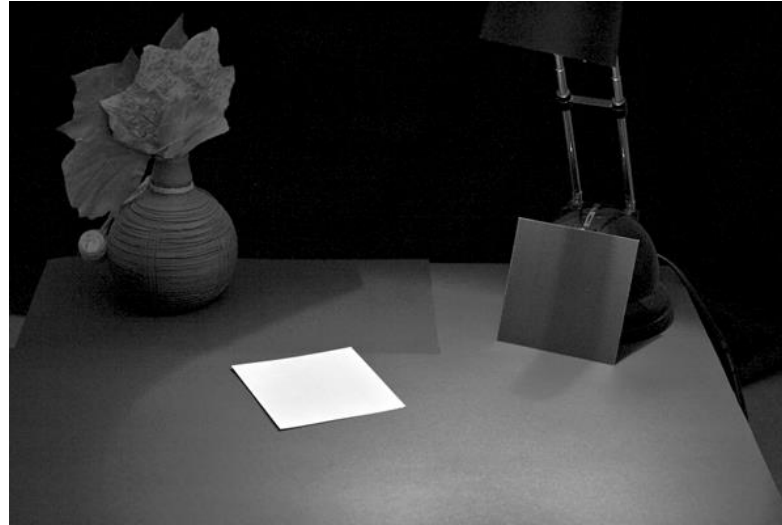
Shift original luminance $Y(x,y)$

- according to local lightness (framework's local anchor W_i)
- proportionally to probabilities $P_i(x,y)$ and framework articulation D_i
- constant influence of the global framework (global anchor W_0)



$$L(x,y) = 70\% \cdot \sum_i \frac{(Y - W_i)}{D_i} \cdot P_i(x,y) + 30\% \cdot (Y - W_0)$$

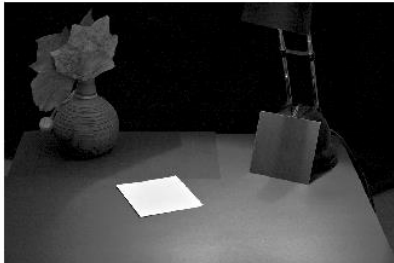
Testing: Advanced Lightness Estimation



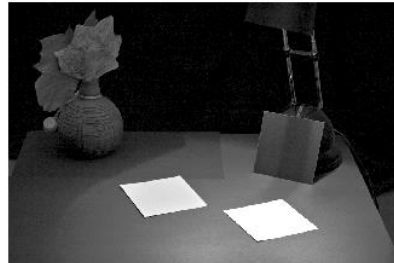
Tone mapping of the Gelb illusion

lightness percep-
tion model

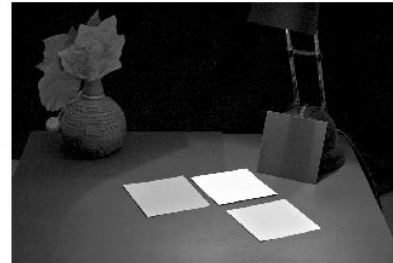
1 patch



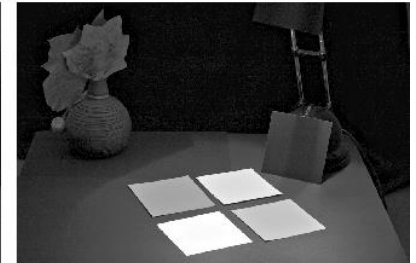
2 patches



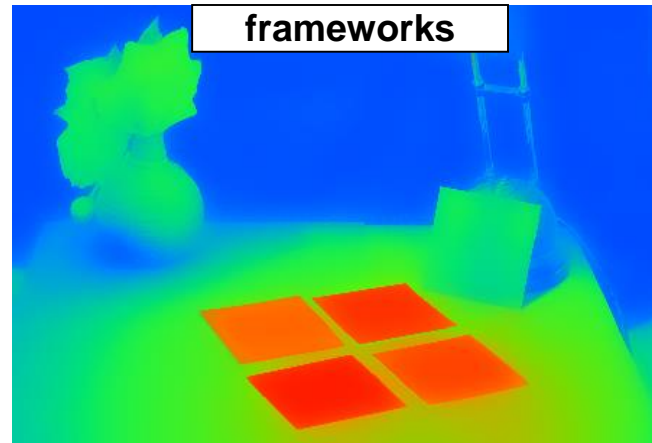
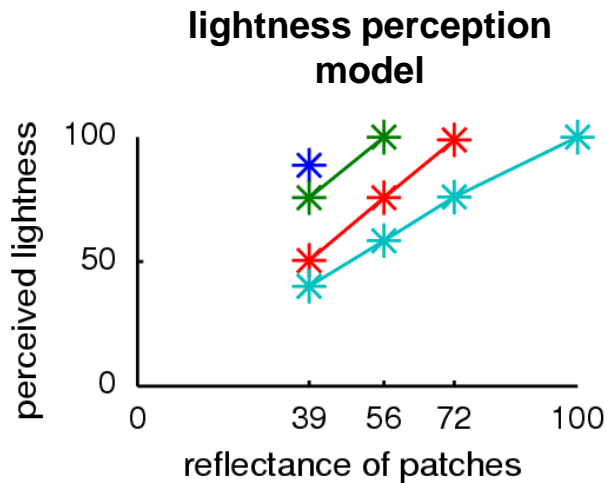
3 patches



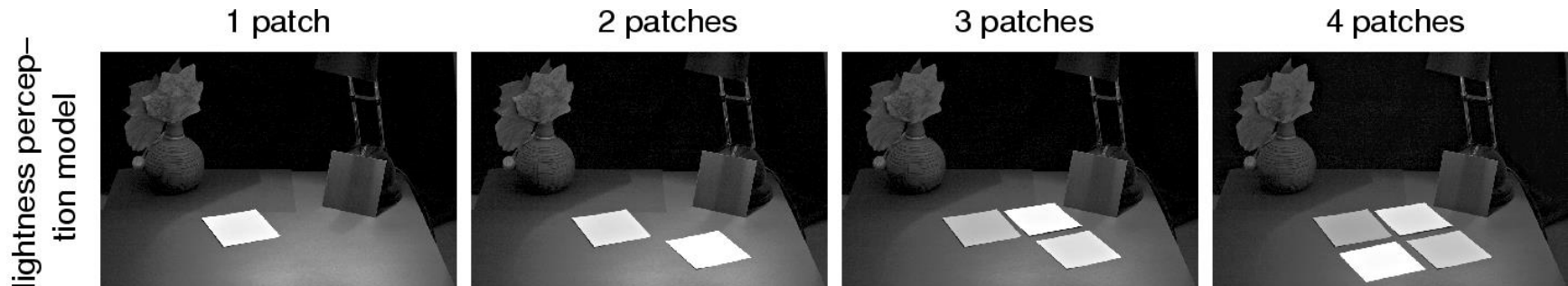
4 patches



Analysis of Gelb Illusion



— 1 patch visible — 2 patches visible — 3 patches visible — 4 patches visible



Perceptual Effects in TM

- Simulate effects that do not appear on a screen but are typically observed in real-world scenes
 - veiling glare
 - night vision
 - temporal adaptation to light
- Increase believability of results, because we associate such effects with luminance conditions



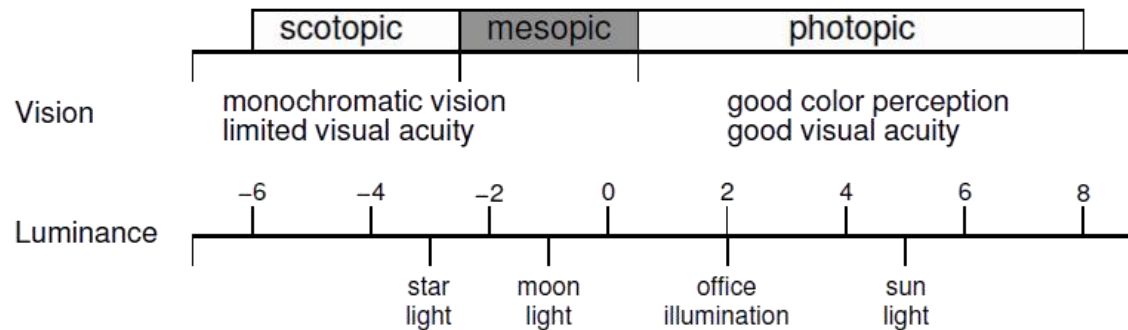
Temporal Luminance Adaptation



- Compensates changes in illumination
- Simulated by smoothing adapting luminance in tone mapping equation
- Different speed of adaptation to light and to darkness

Night Vision

- Human Vision operates in three distinct adaptation conditions:



Visual Acuity

- Perception of spatial details is limited with decreasing illumination level
- Details can be removed using convolution with a Gaussian kernel
- Highest resolvable spatial frequency:

$$RF(Y) = 17.25 \cdot \arctan(1.4 \log_{10} Y + 0.35) + 25.72$$

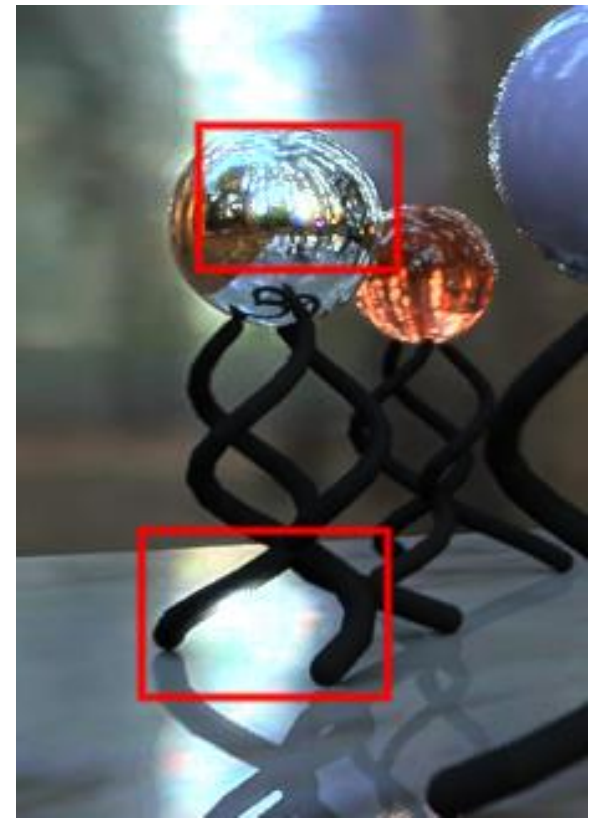
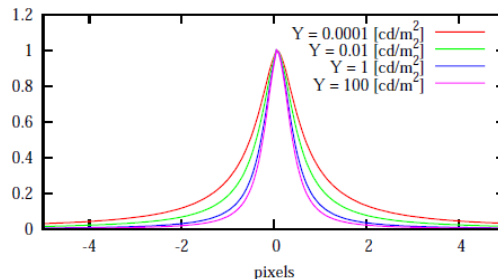


Veiling Luminance (Glare)

- Decrease of contrast and visibility due to light scattering in the optical system of the eye
- Described by the optical transfer function:

$$OTF(\rho, d(\bar{Y})) = \exp\left(-\frac{\rho}{20.9 - 2.1 \cdot d}^{1.3 - 0.07 \cdot d}\right)$$

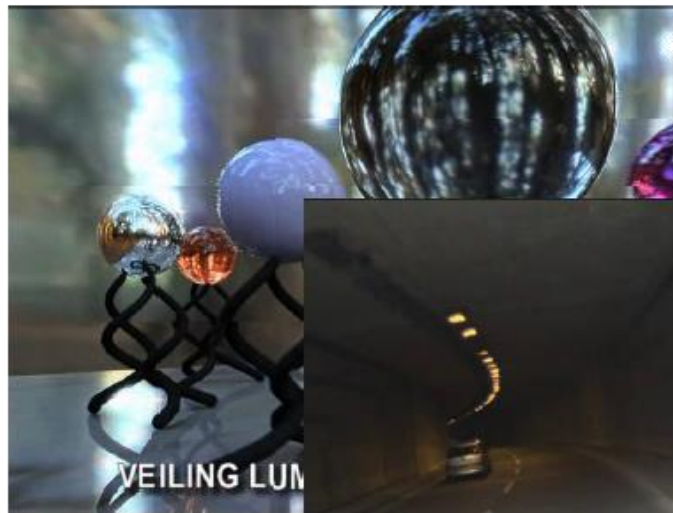
ρ spatial frequency, d pupil aperture



Fast TM on GPU

- Simple transfer function is very fast
- What about those advanced algorithms
 - bilateral: fast approximate algorithms available
 - gradient domain: GPU needs ~100ms per 1MPx
- Real-time?
 - automatic dodging & burning
 - Gaussian pyramid can be built fast on GPU
 - the pyramid can be used to add perceptual effects at no additional cost!

HDR Video Player with Perceptual Effects



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