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# Modern Display Technology

- Rendering Challenges -

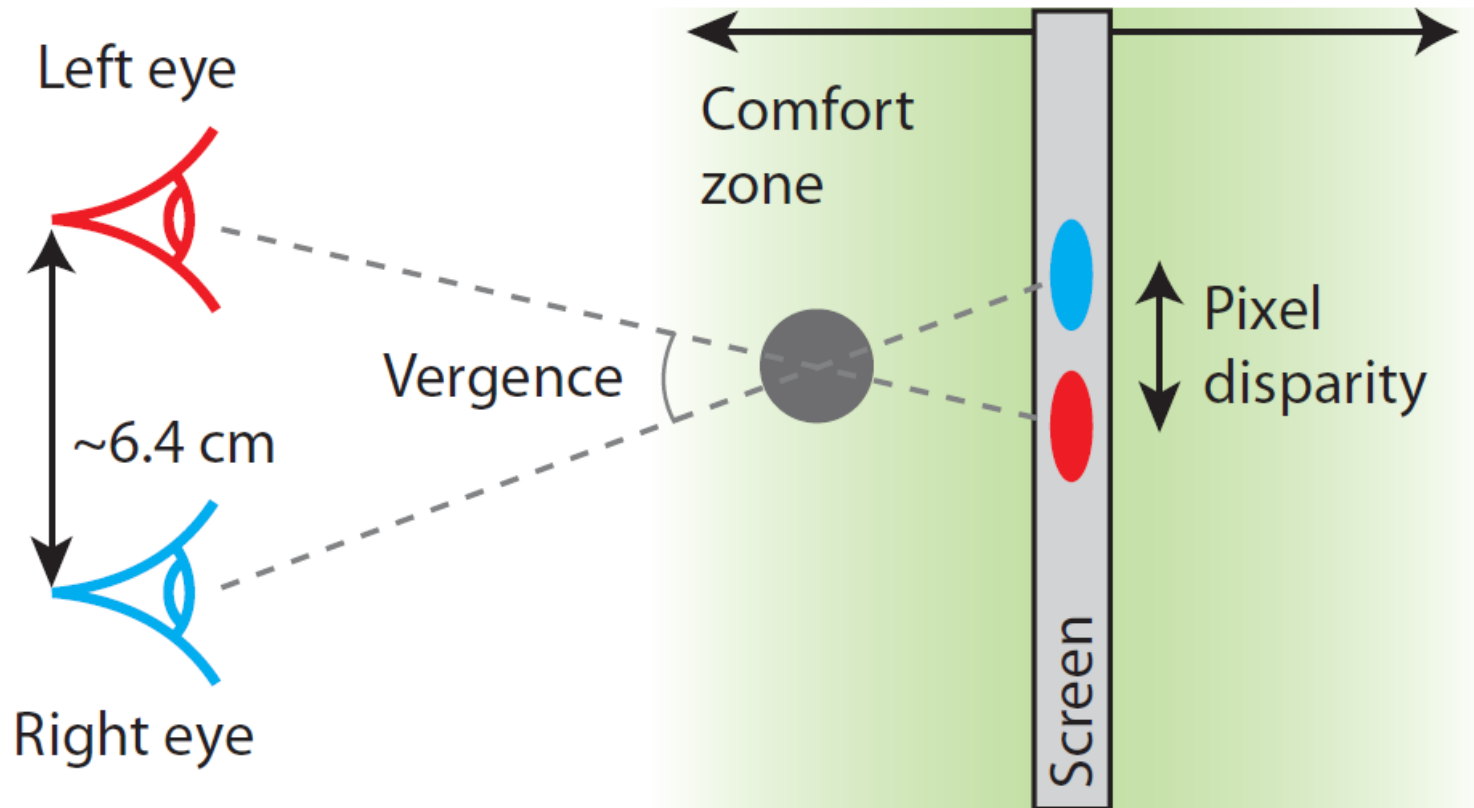
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# Outline

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- Binocular 3D displays
  - Color Anaglyph
  - Polarization
  - Active Shutter Glasses
  - Head-Mounted Displays
- Autostereoscopic (Glass-free 3D) Displays
  - Parallax Barriers
  - Integral Imaging
  - Multi-layer displays
- Light field displays
- Multi-projector displays
- HDR displays

# Binocular Stereovision



# Binocular 3D Displays

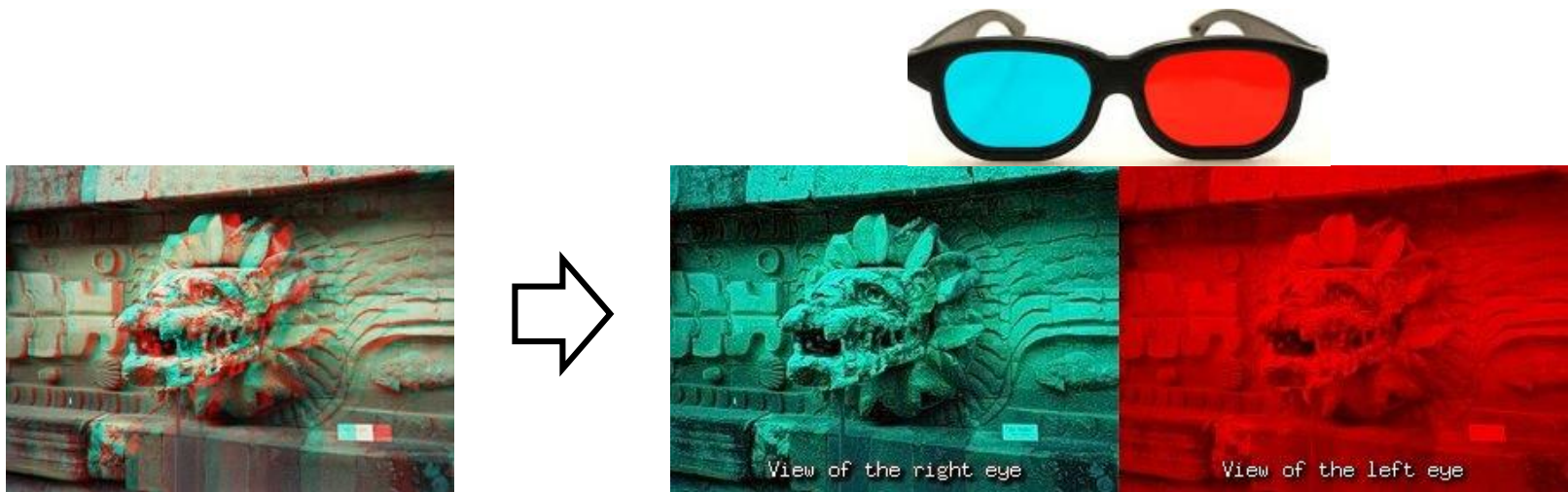
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- **Capable of providing sense of 3D by simulating binocular disparity**
  - Color Anaglyphs
  - Polarization
  - Shutter Glasses
  - Head-Mounted Displays
- **They mostly do not provide accommodation depth cue**

# Color Anaglyphs

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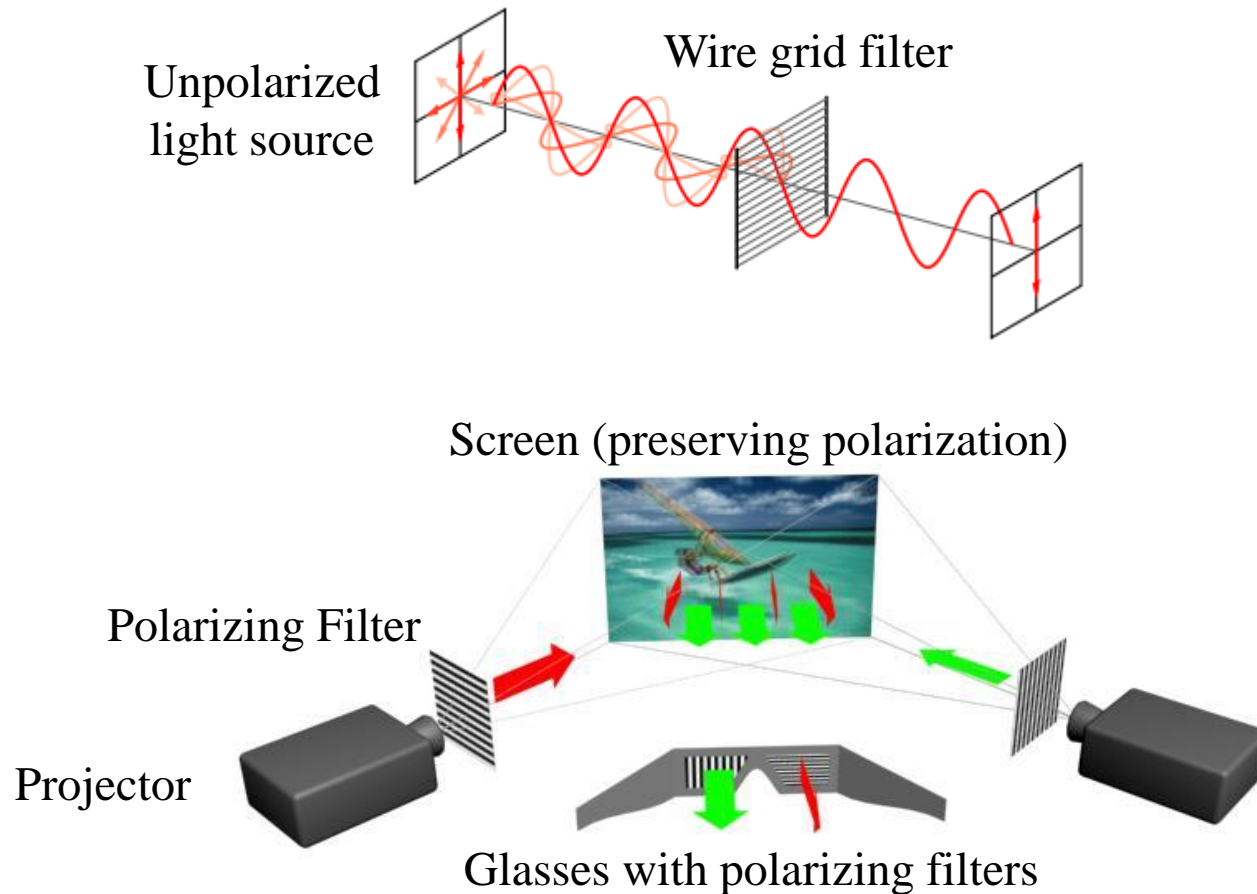
- **Left and right images are filtered using different colors (usually complementary):**
  - Red – Green, Red – Cyan, Green – Magenta
  - Amber – Blue (ColorCode 3D, patented [Sorensen et al. 2004])
- **Limited color perception (since each eye sees only a subset of whole colorspace)**



Images adapted from [http://axon.physik.uni-bremen.de/research/stereo/color\\_anaglyph/](http://axon.physik.uni-bremen.de/research/stereo/color_anaglyph/)

# Polarization

- Usually a wire grid filter converts the unpolarized light beam to a polarized one

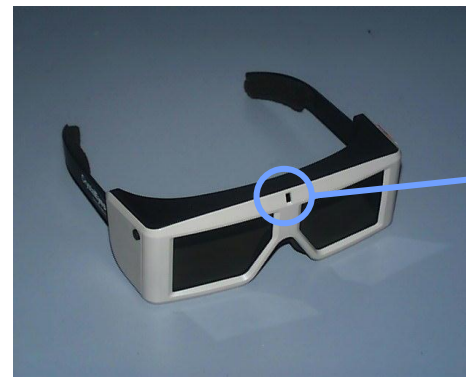
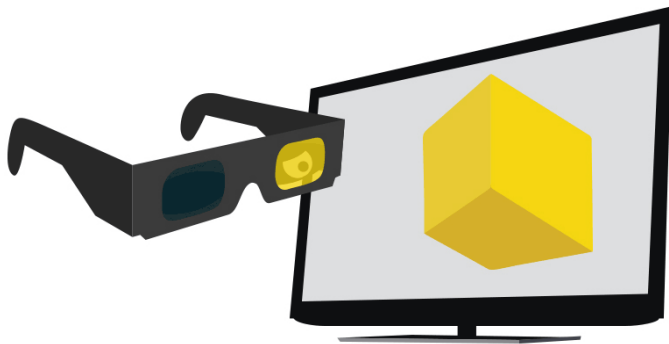


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# Shutter Glasses

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- Exploits the “memory effect” of the Human Visual System [Coltheart 1980]
- Glasses have shutters which operate in synchronization with the display system
- Left and right eye images are shown in alternation
- Color neutral; however, temporal resolution is reduced



IR receiver for  
synchronization

Images adapted from [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Active\\_shutter\\_3D\\_system](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Active_shutter_3D_system)

# Head-Mounted Displays

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- **Separate displays for the left and right eye**
- **May provide current orientation of the head (and update the stimuli accordingly to provide a VR)**

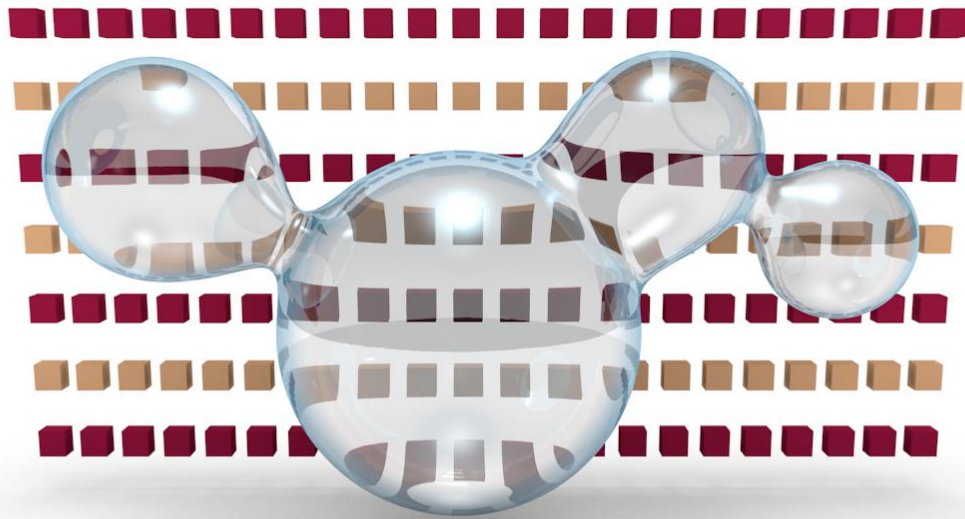


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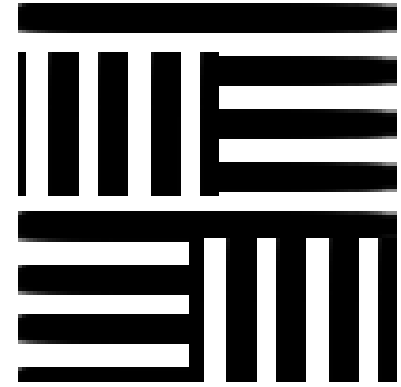
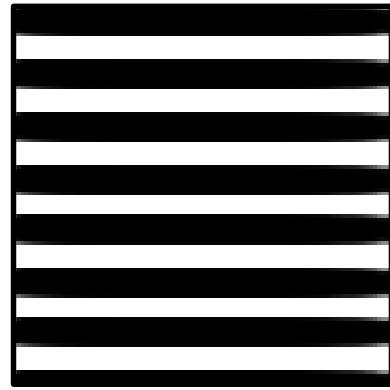
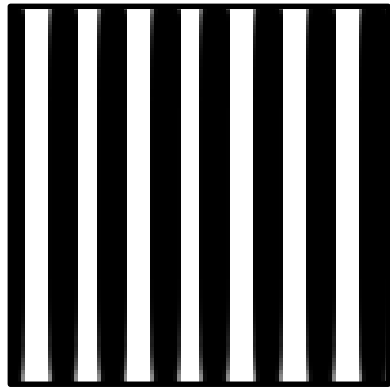


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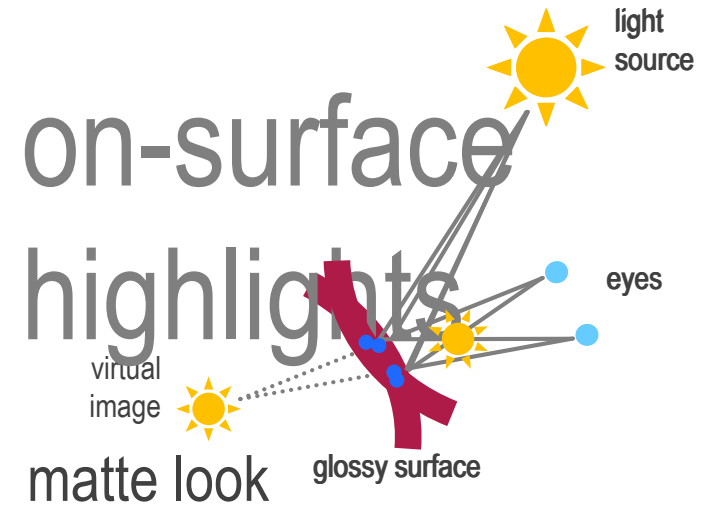
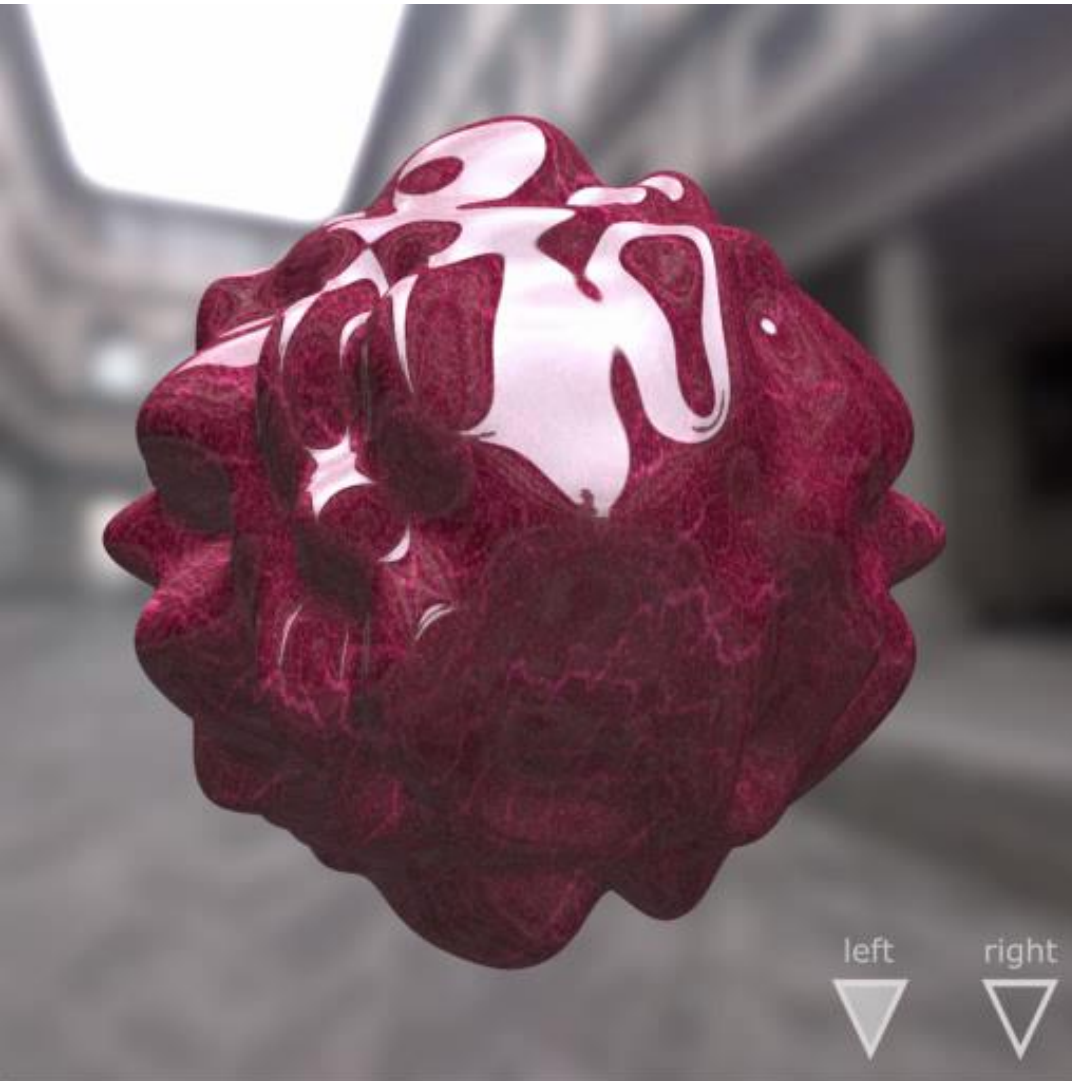
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Rivalry



# Reflections and Refractions in S3D



see: G. Wendt et al., 2008

Highlight disparity contributes to the authenticity and strength of perceived glossiness

# Highlights in Stereo 3D: Microdisparity

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- Possible binocular rivalry
  - Even more annoying for HDR displays
  - Moving head does not help
- Highlight microdisparity solution improves viewing comfort while maintaining glossy look

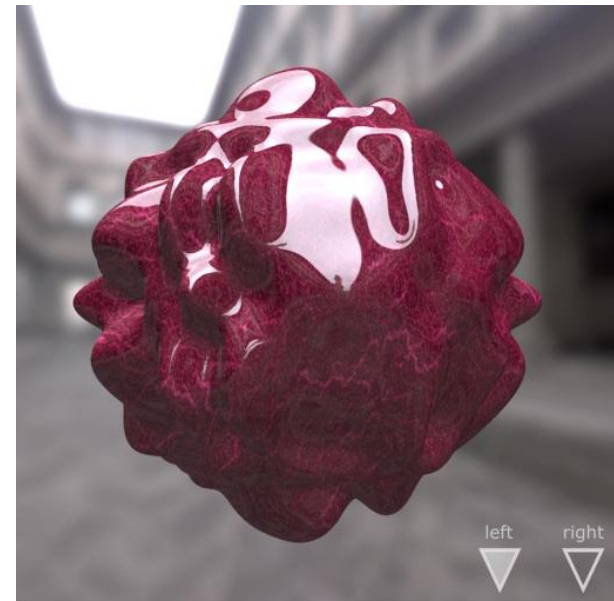
Correct highlights



On-surface highlight

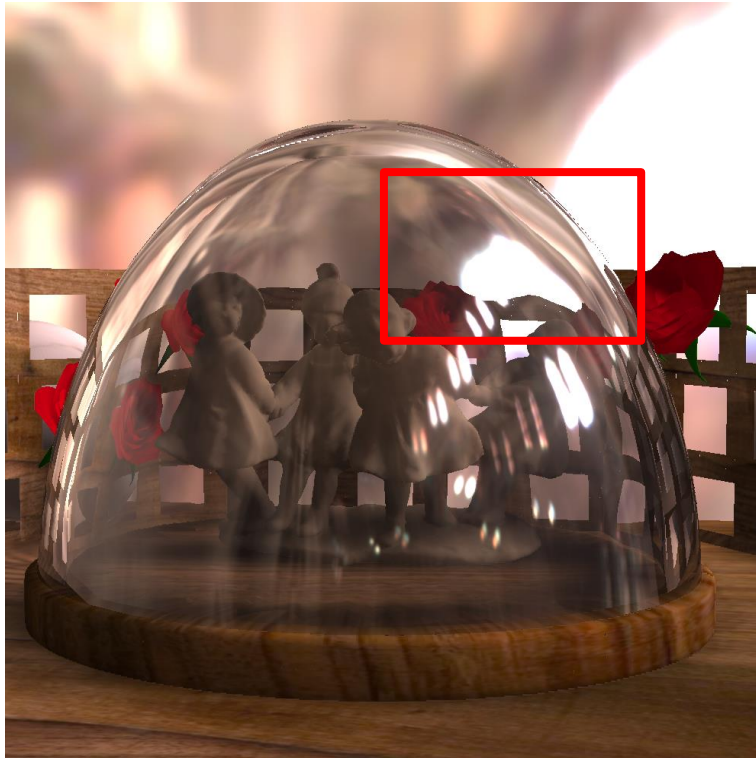


Our solution

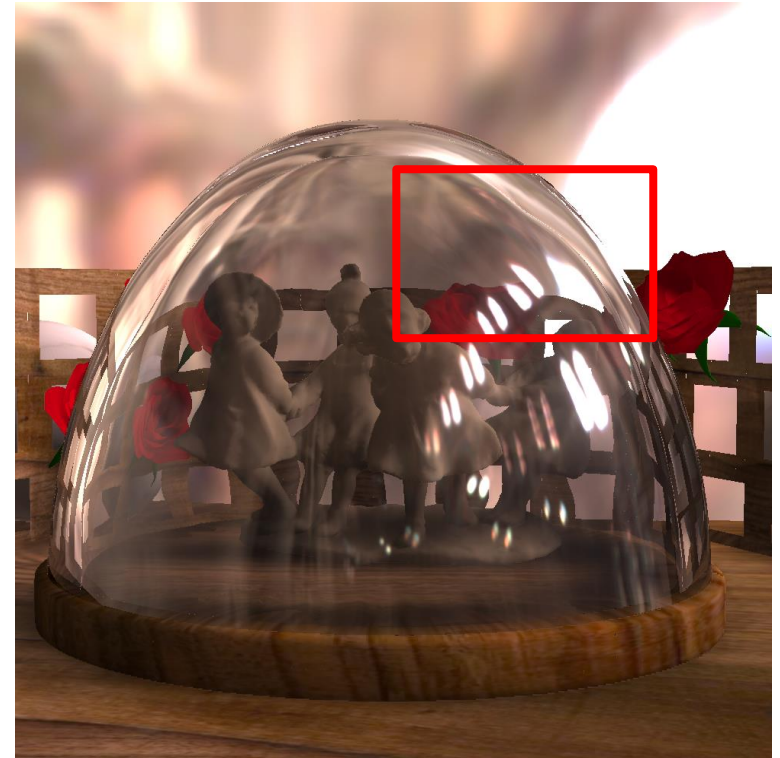
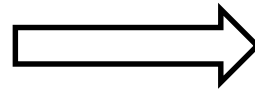


# Refractions in Stereo 3D

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Physical



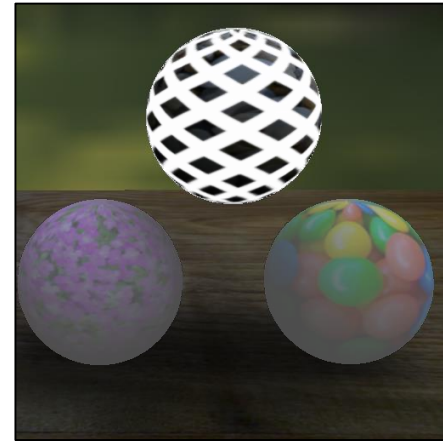
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Dąbala et al. Manipulating refractive and reflective binocular disparity, Eurographics 2014, Strasbourg / France

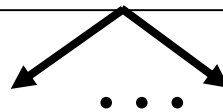
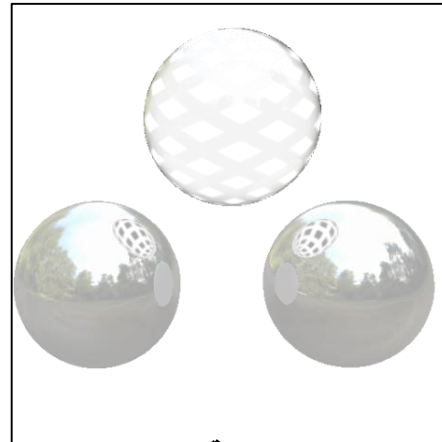
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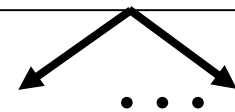
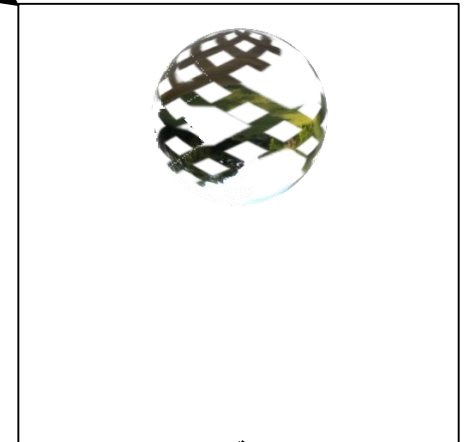
1<sup>st</sup> diffuse



Reflection



Refraction



# Reflections and Refractions in S3D

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$$f(d, r, w) = \alpha_d f_d(d, w) + \alpha_a f_a(d, w) + \alpha_p f_p(d, w) + \alpha_r f_r(r, w)$$

The diagram illustrates the energy function  $f(d, r, w)$  as a sum of four terms, each enclosed in a rectangular box. The terms are:  $\alpha_d f_d(d, w)$ ,  $\alpha_a f_a(d, w)$ ,  $\alpha_p f_p(d, w)$ , and  $\alpha_r f_r(r, w)$ . Below the first box is a downward-pointing arrow labeled "Data term". Above the second box is an upward-pointing arrow labeled "Absolute disparity". Below the third box is a downward-pointing arrow labeled "Relative disp.". Above the fourth box is an upward-pointing arrow labeled "Rivalry".

# Optimizing Eye Vergence – Film Cuts

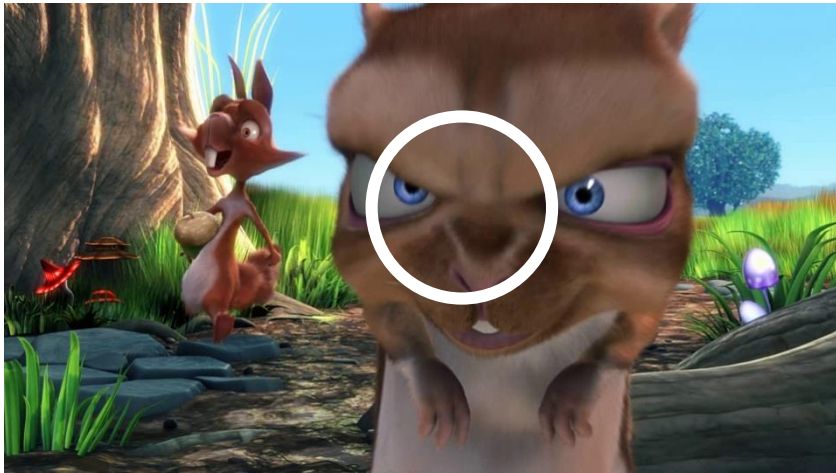
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# Cut in a Regular Film

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Shot 1



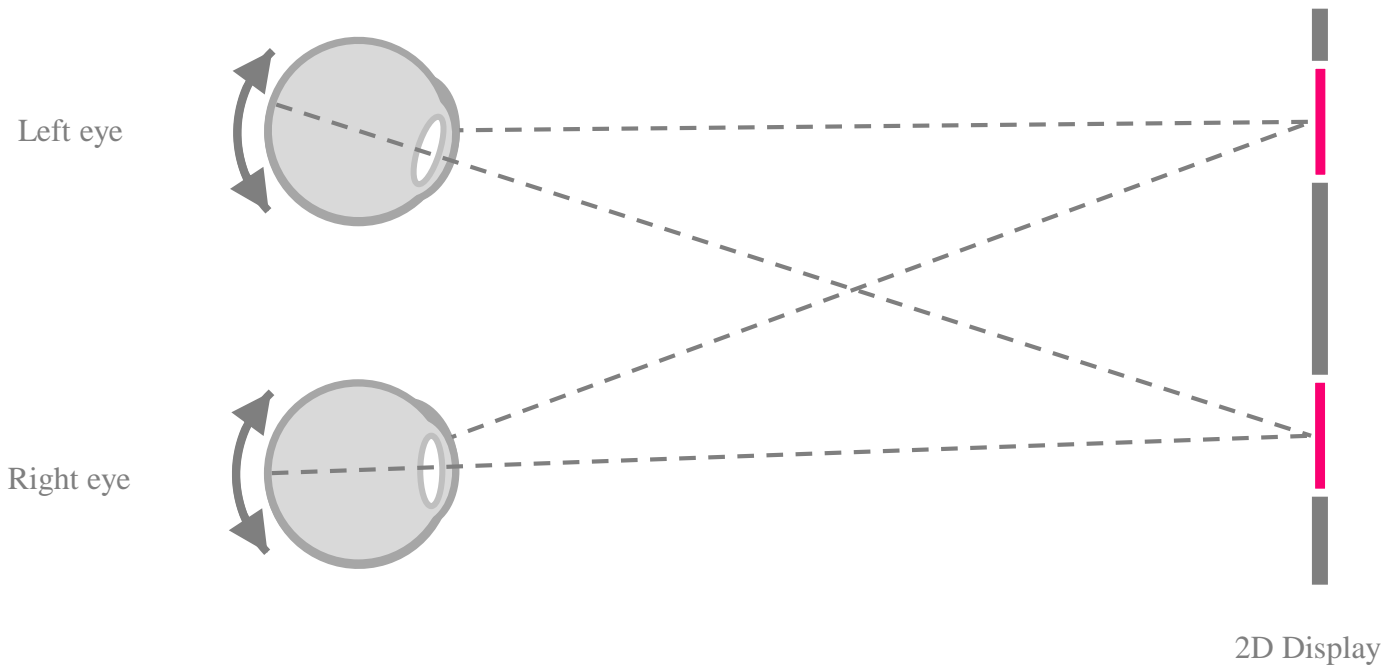
Shot 2

Cut

Source: *Big Buck Bunny* CC-BY Blender Foundation, Janus B. Kristensen

# Saccades

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# Cut in a Stereoscopic 3D Film



Shot 1



Cut

● Left eye ● Right eye

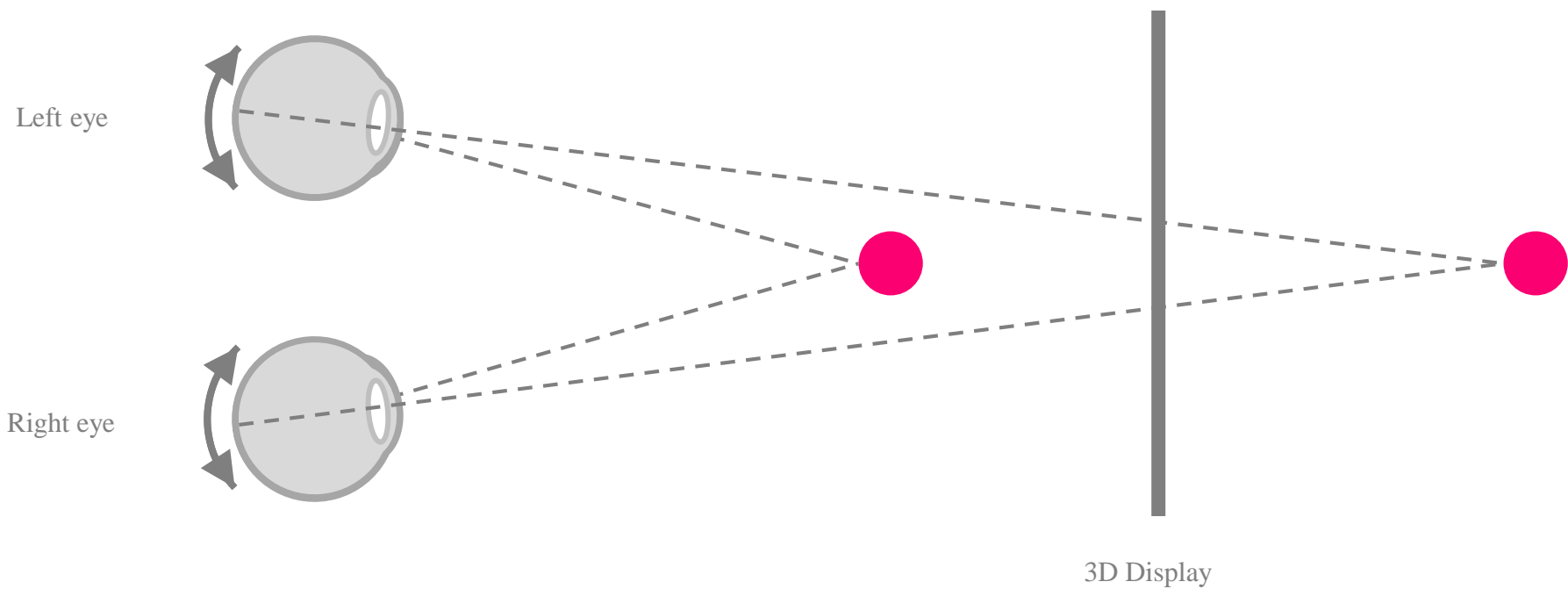


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# Vergence

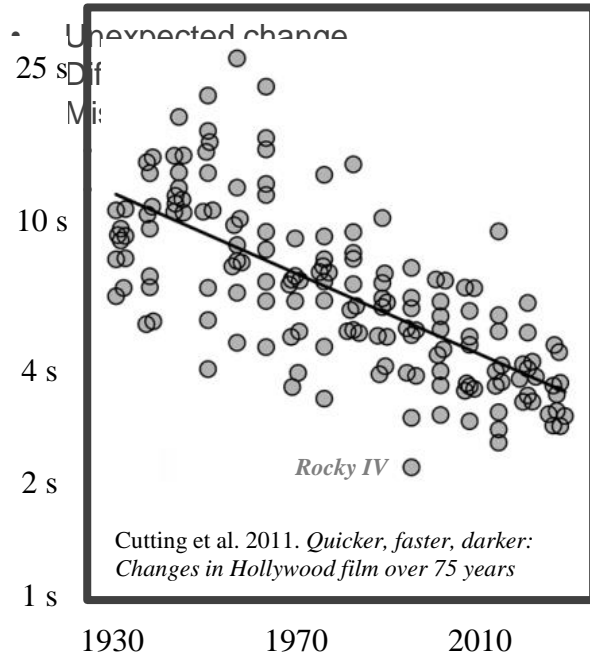
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# Vergence vs. Film Editing

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## 3D Average shot length



# Autostereoscopic Displays

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- **Stereo displays which are viewable without special glasses or head-wear equipment**
- **Simulate an approximate lightfield with a finite number of views**
  - Parallax Barriers
  - Integral Imaging
  - Multi-layer Displays

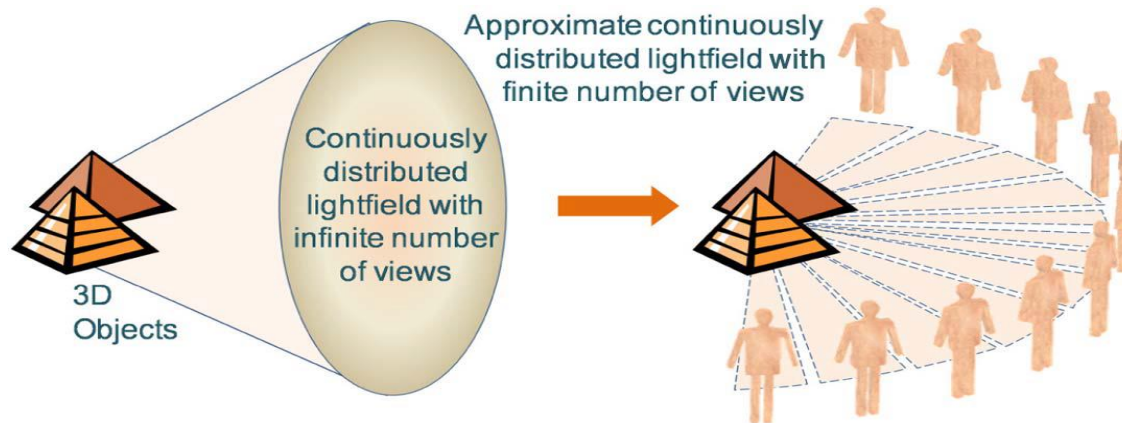
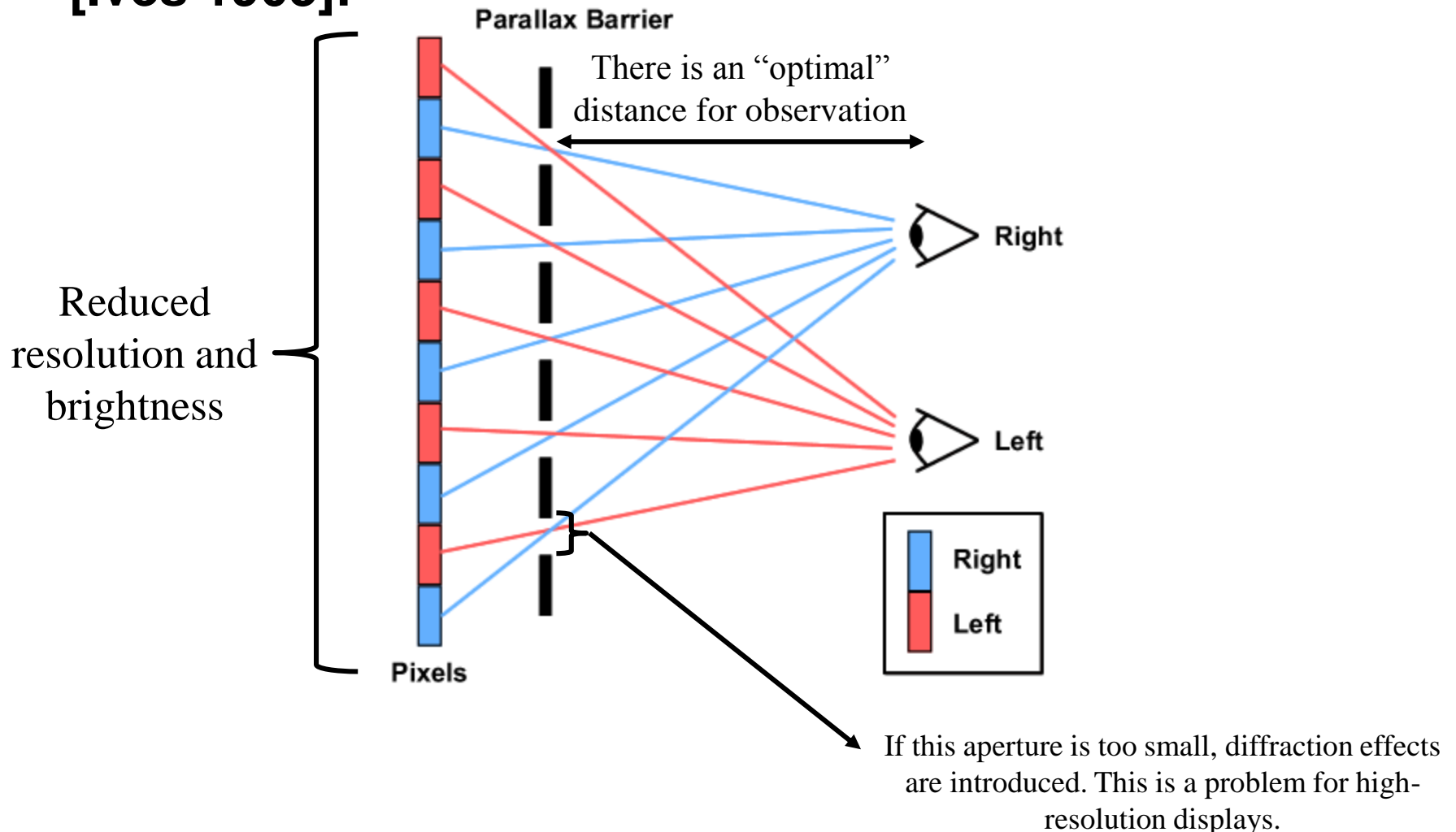


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# Parallax Barriers

- Occlusion-based working principle and key features [Ives 1903]:





# Parallax Barriers

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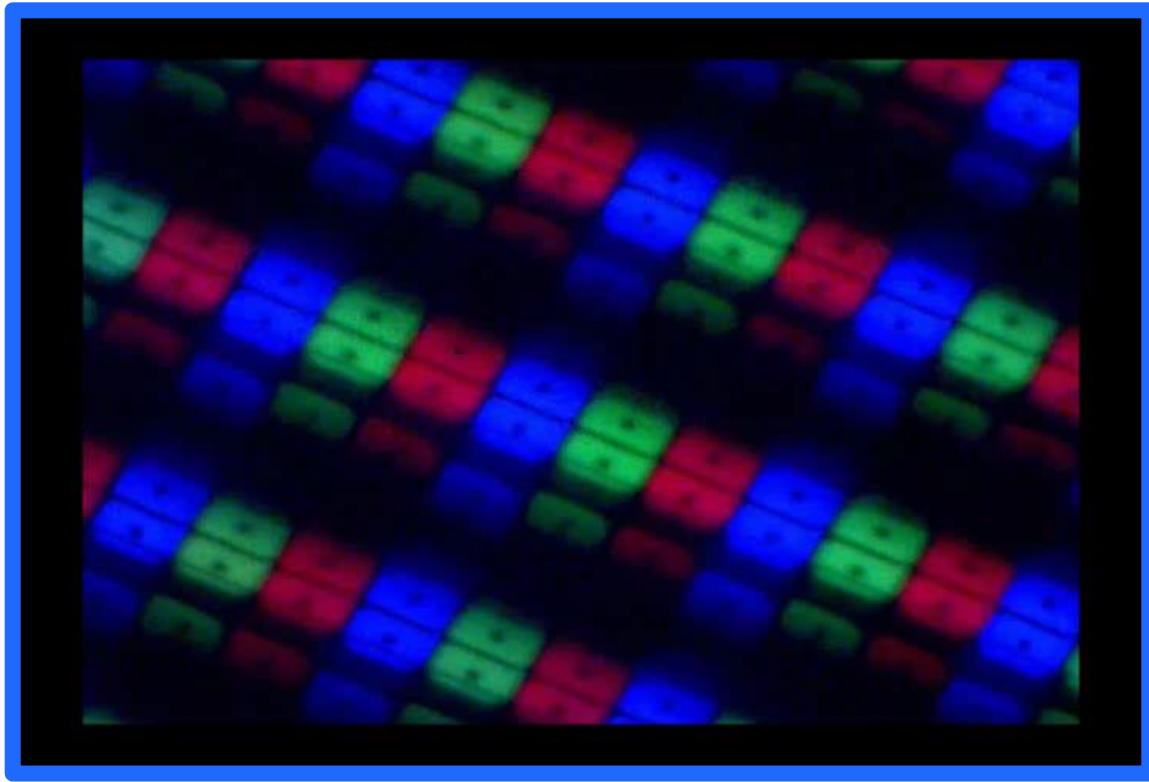


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# Parallax Barriers

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- It is possible to switch between 2D and 3D modes
- Parallax barrier of Nintendo 3DS turning on/off under microscope:

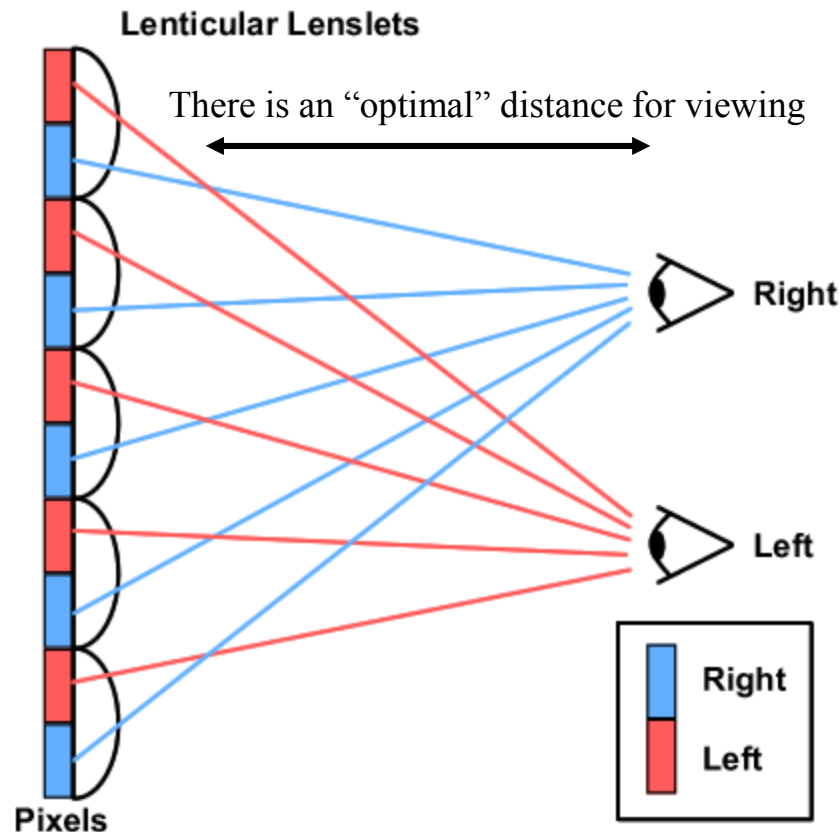


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# Integral Imaging

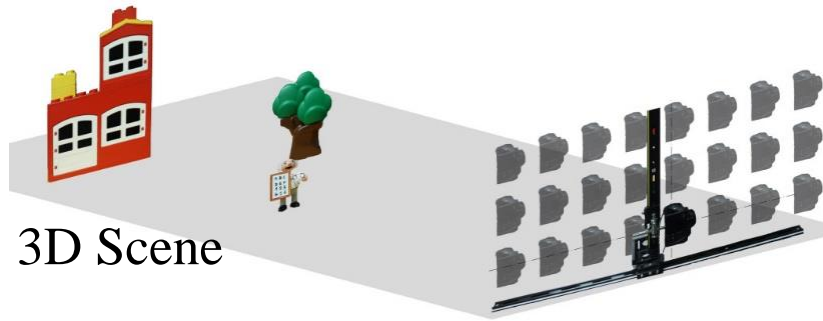
- **Refraction-based working principle [Lippmann 1908]:**

Reduction in resolution and brightness is still a problem.

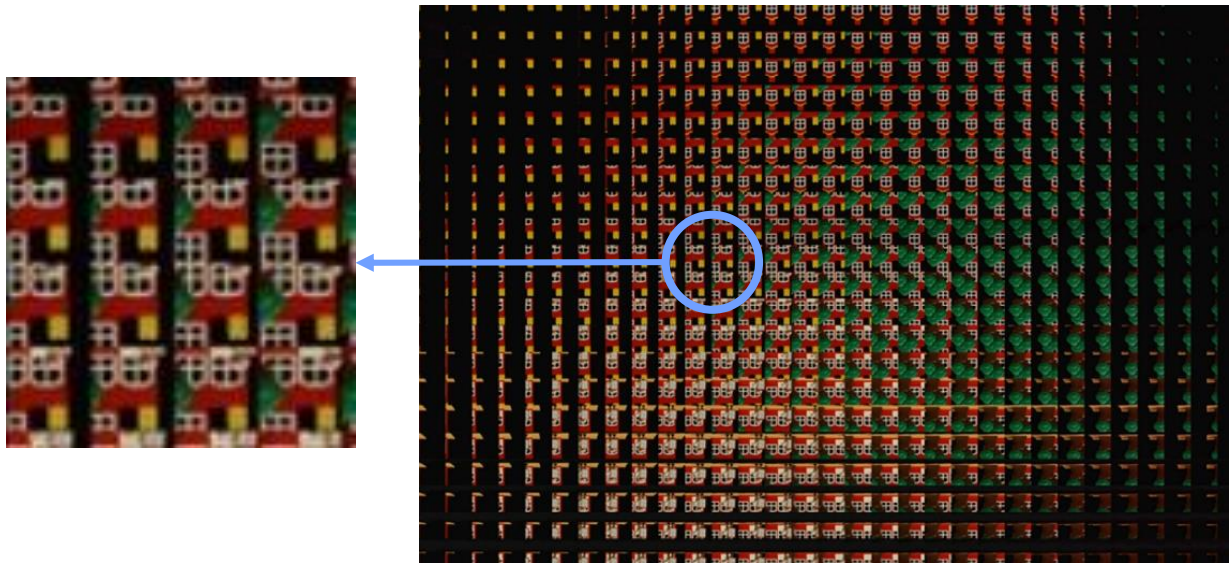


It is possible to reproduce parallax, perspective shift and accommodation depth cues.

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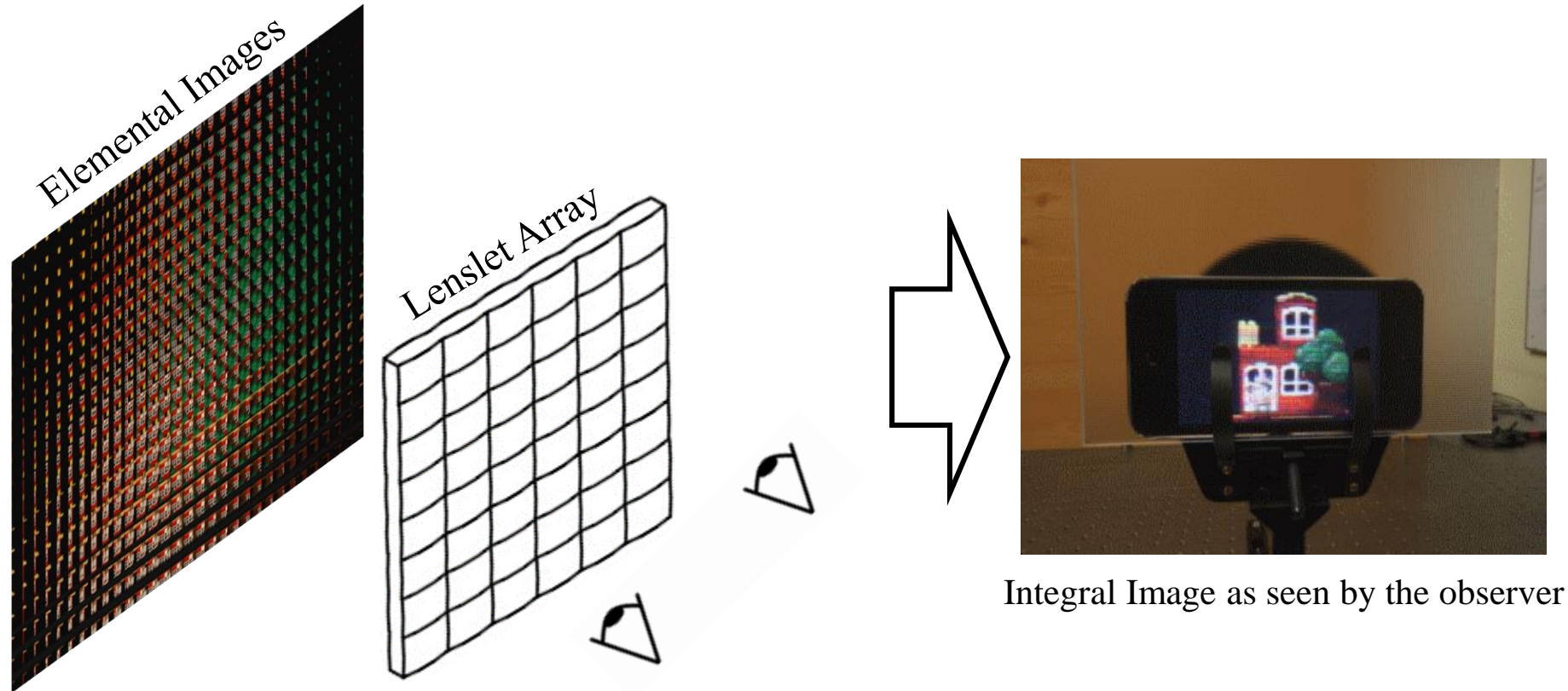


Array of lenses (multiple cameras each with a single lens [Wilburn 2005] or a single camera with multiple lenses in front of the sensor [Ng 2005])



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# Integral Imaging



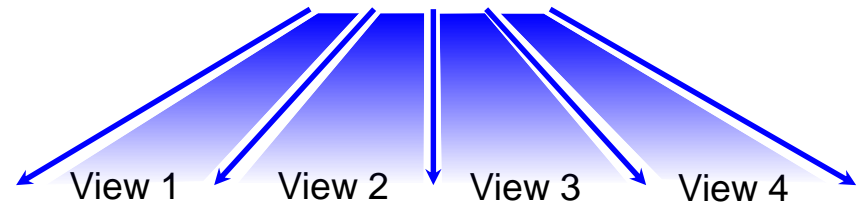
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# Multi-view Autostereoscopic Display

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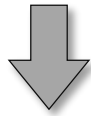
Multi-view autostereoscopic display



*„Antialiasing for automultiscopic 3D displays” [Zwicker et al. 2006]*

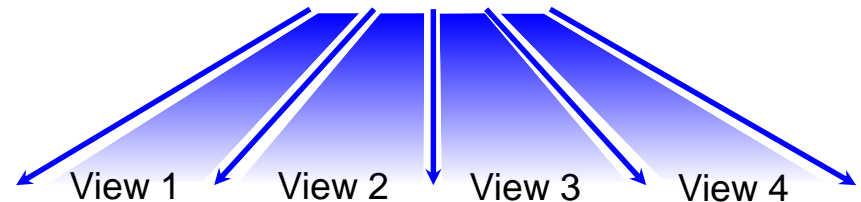
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- **Smooth transitions**
- **Blur increases with depth**



Weaker depth percept

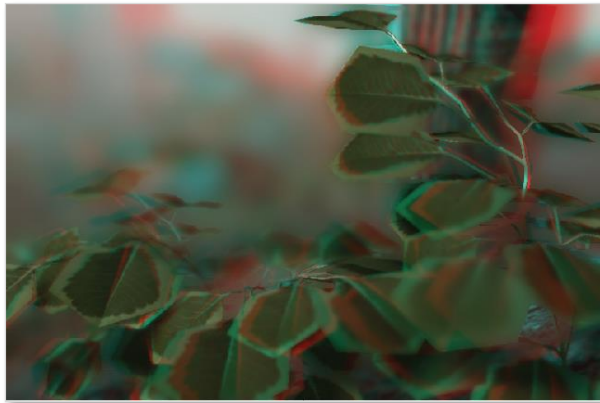
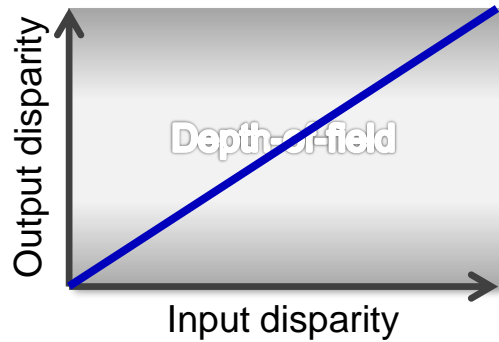
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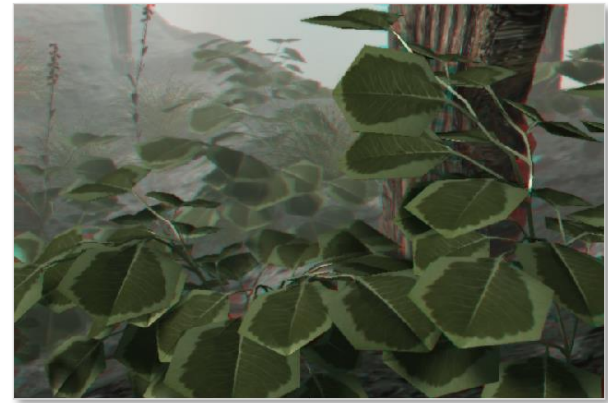
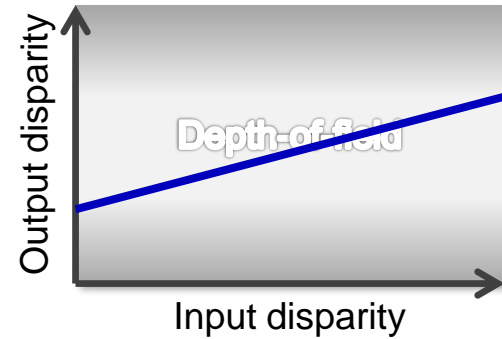
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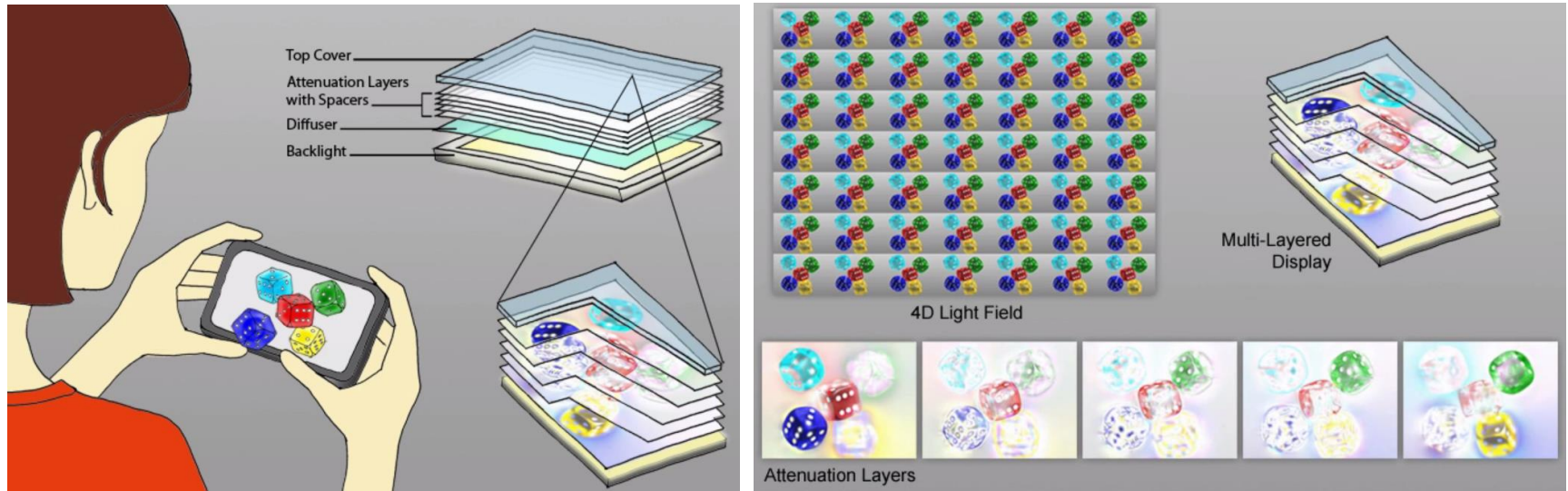
- Big disparity range
- Large part of the scene out of focus



- Everything stays in focus
- Disparity range reduced

# Multi-layer Displays

- Improved resolution over parallax barriers and lenslet arrays
- Provides a solution to accommodation-vergence conflict

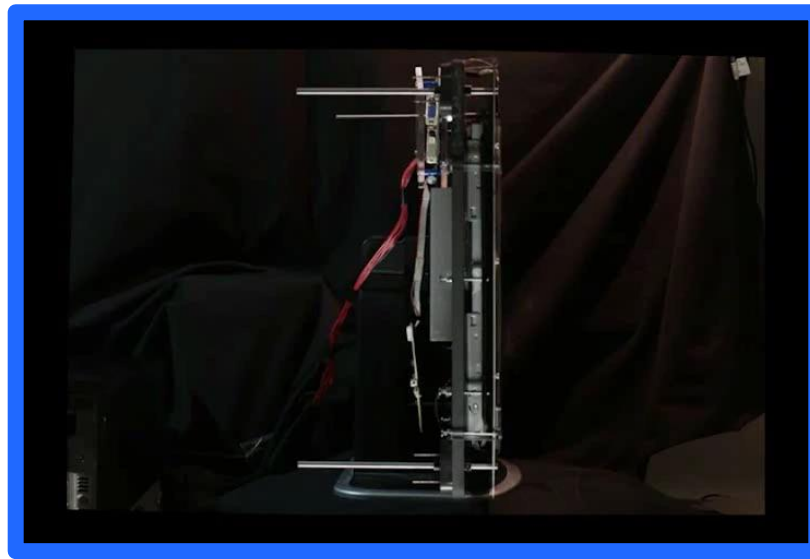


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# Tensor Displays

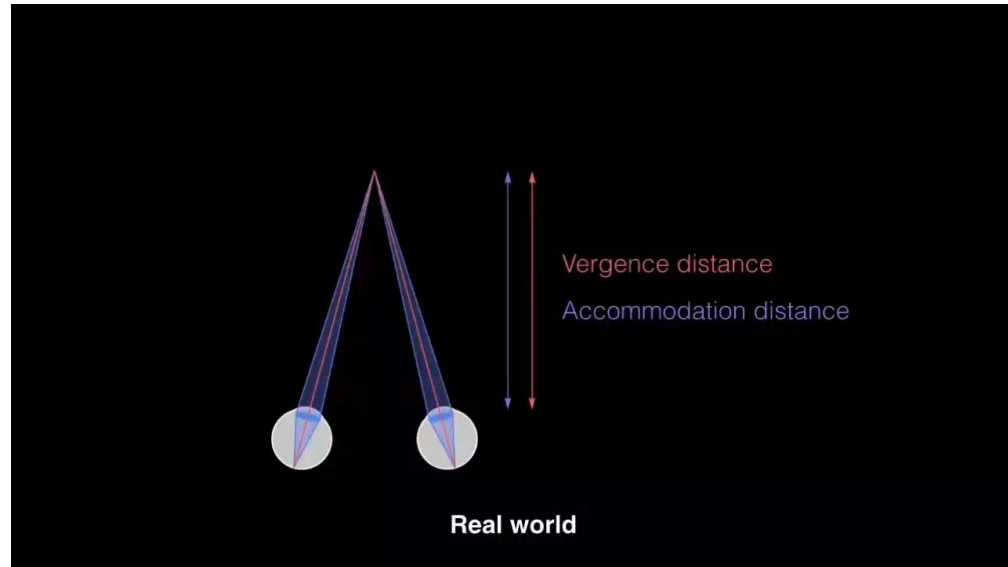
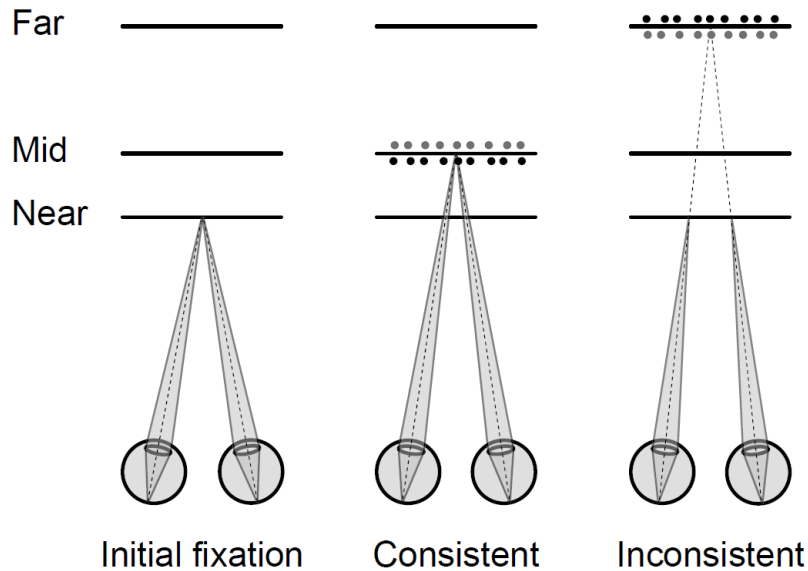
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- **Lightfield emitted by a multi-layer display is represented by a tensor where rays span a 2D plane in 3D tensor space**
- **Target lightfield is decomposed into Rank-1 tensors using Nonnegative Tensor Factorization**
- **Rank-1 tensors are shown in quick succession with a high refresh rate, which are perceptually averaged over time by the Human Visual System**



Video adapted from Wetzstein, Gordon, et al. "Tensor displays: compressive light field synthesis using multilayer displays with directional backlighting." (2012).

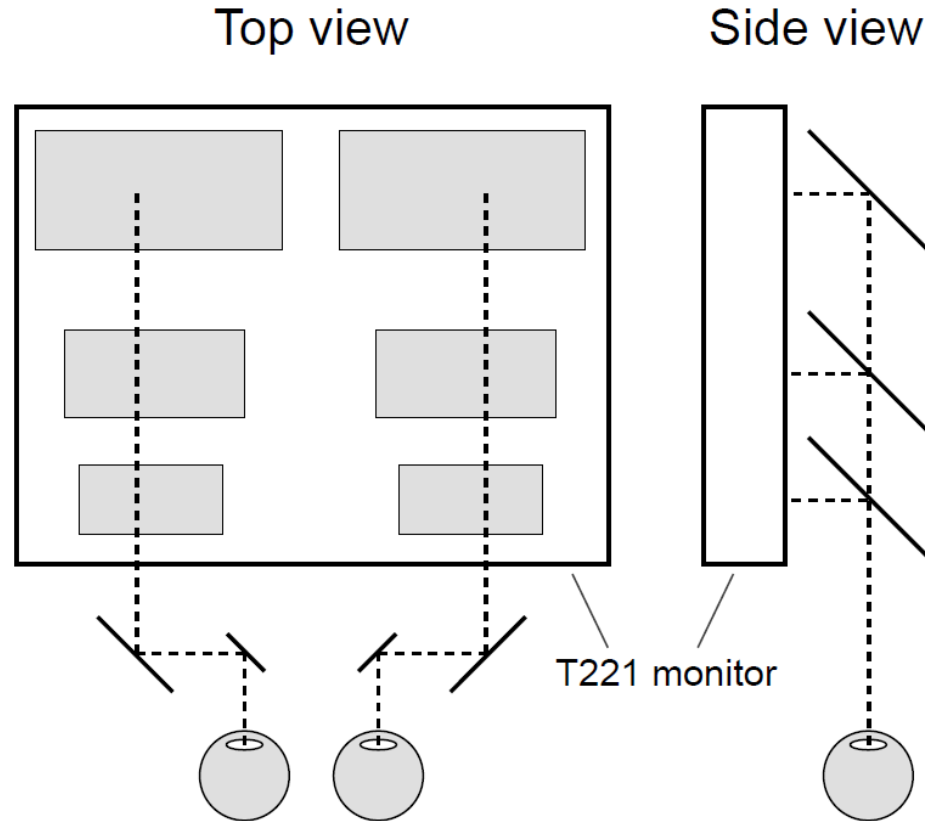
# Accommodation-Vergence Conflict



Visuals adapted from Akeley, Kurt, et al. "A stereo display prototype with multiple focal distances." *ACM transactions on graphics (TOG)*. Vol. 23. No. 3. ACM, 2004. and Narain, Rahul, et al. "Optimal presentation of imagery with focus cues on multi-plane displays." *ACM Transactions on Graphics (TOG)* 34.4 (2015): 59.

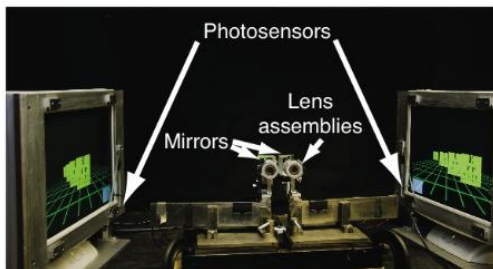
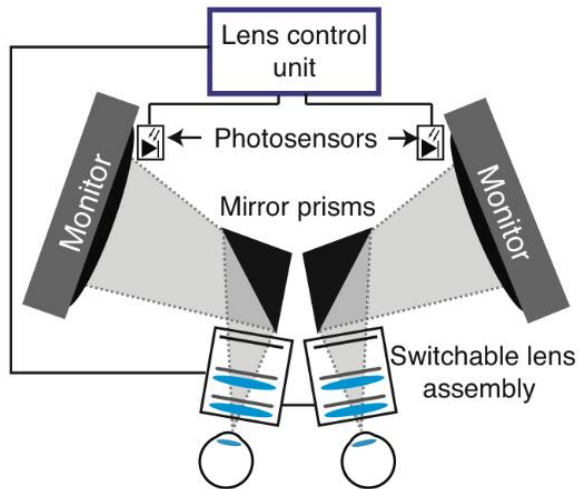
# Multi-focal Plane Displays

- A display prototype with multiple focal distances using beam-splitters

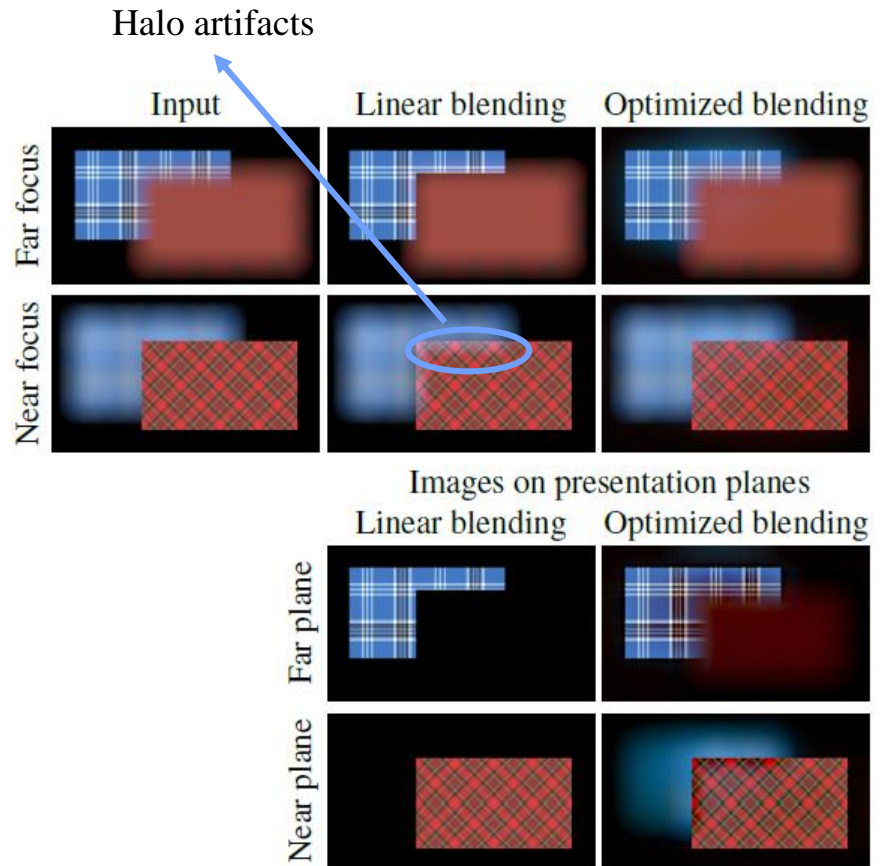


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Prototype introduced by Love et al [2009]

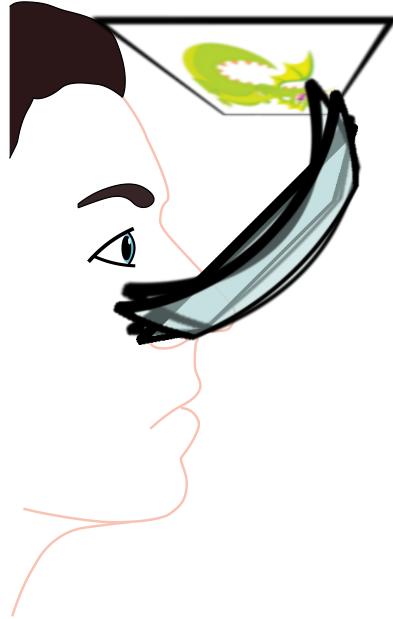


Narain et al. [2015] optimize the focus cues for improved realism.

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# Deformable Beamsplitter

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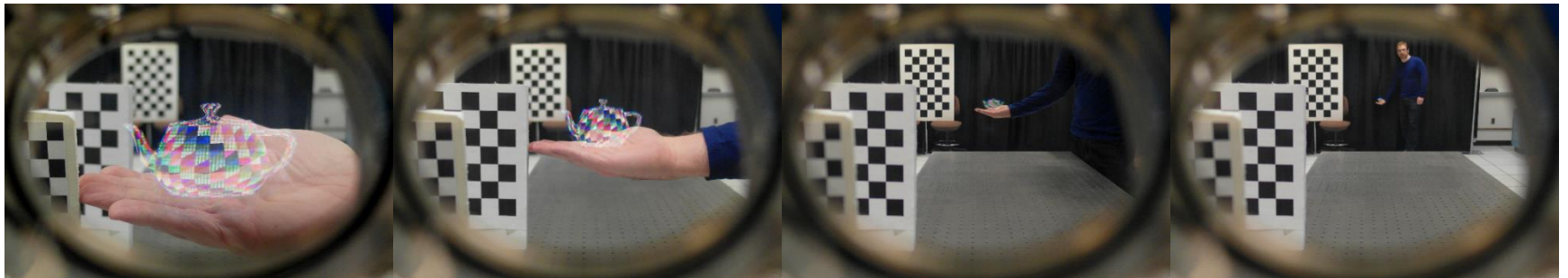


See-through

Dynamic focal depth: objects at any depth

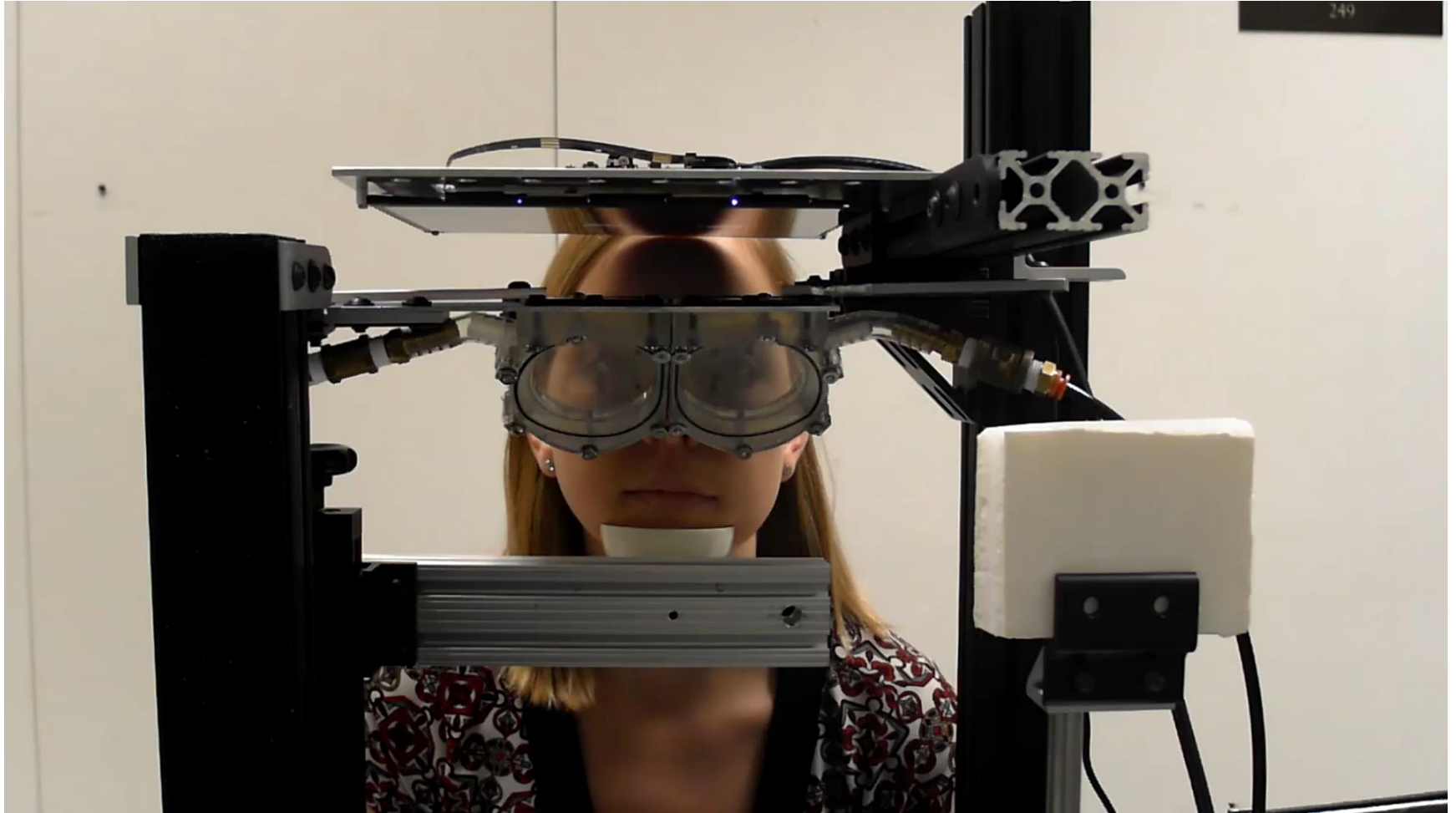
Wide field of view

Optics are simple



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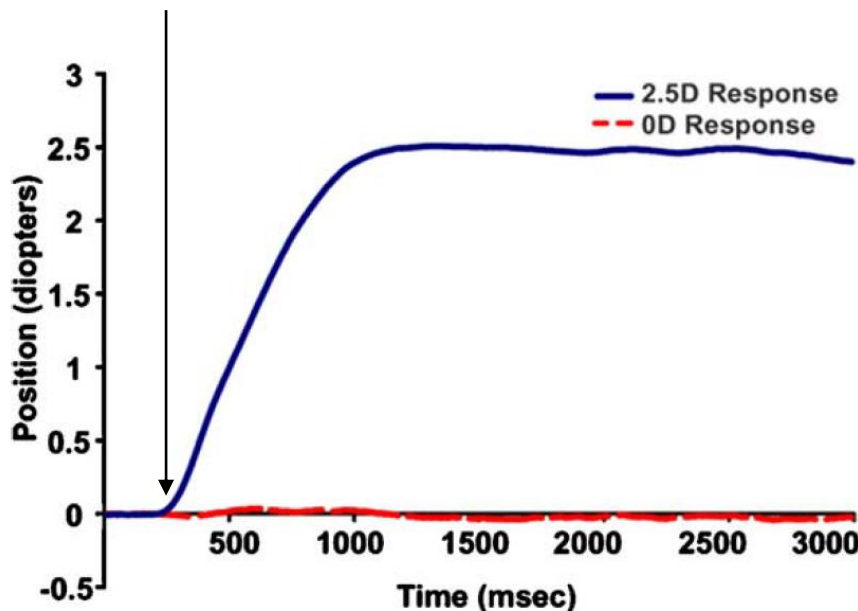




# Accommodation Response

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- Step change of fixated object depth
  - Smooth and steady accommodation increase
    - up to 1 second to achieve the full accommodation state
    - ~300 ms latency



Bharadwaj and Schor, Vision Research 2004

# Lightfield Displays

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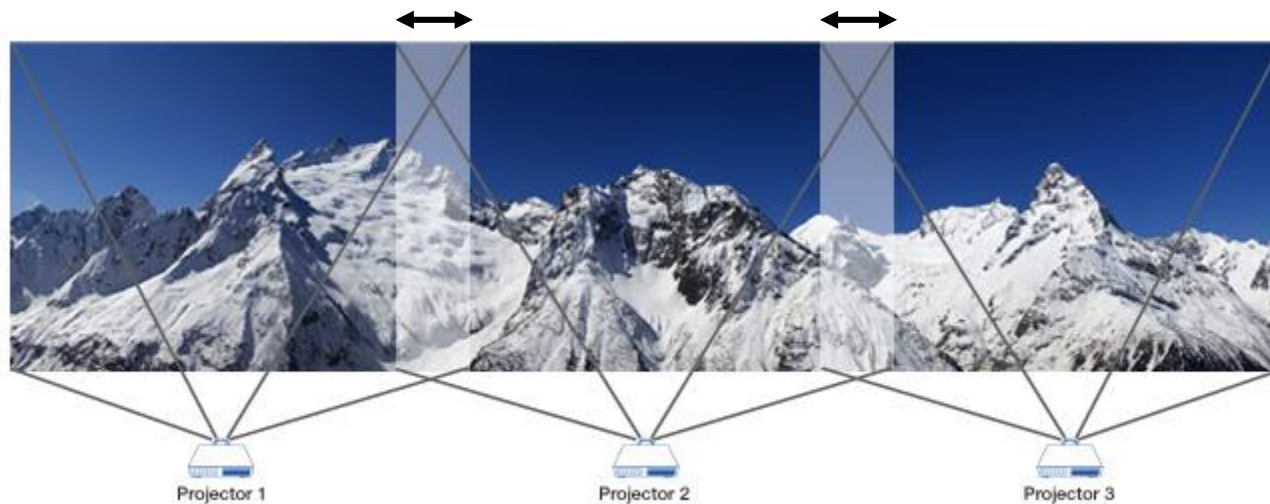
# Displays Comparison

	Pictorial Cues	Disparity	Motion Parallax	Glasses-free	Accommodation
2D Display	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗
Stereoscopic Display	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
Head-mounted Display	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
Autostereoscopic Display	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗
Automultiscopic Display	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Light field Display	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

# Multi-projector Displays

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- Mainly used to provide a wide panoramic display
- Edge blending, color/contrast/brightness matching between overlapping regions is an issue (the transition must be seamless)
- The display surface may be curved



Images adapted from <http://www.matrox.com>

# Multi-projector Displays

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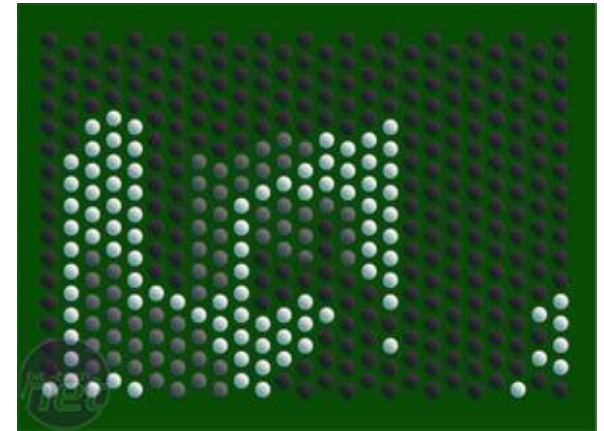
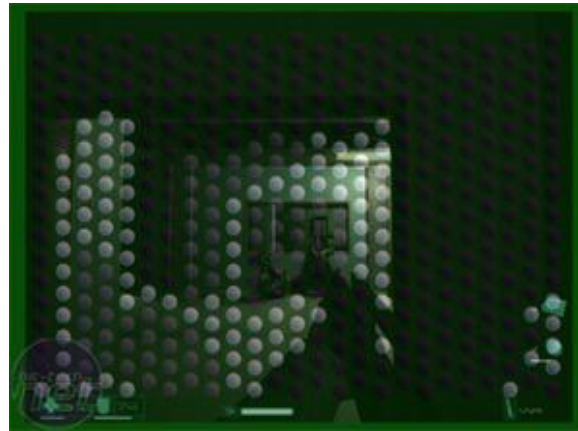


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# HDR Displays

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- Instead of using a single constant backlight source, an array of LEDs is used
- The LEDs may be individually adjusted for different brightness levels



Images adapted from [http://www.bit-tech.net/hardware/2005/10/04/brightside\\_hdr\\_edr/6](http://www.bit-tech.net/hardware/2005/10/04/brightside_hdr_edr/6)

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