

# **Today**

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## **Radiometry**

# **Announcement**

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**Quiz #2 is available in Blackboard.**

**Due date: 11:59pm EST, Thursday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Open book and open notes**

# **Announcement**

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**Homework #2 has been posted in Blackboard.**

**Due on 1:15pm EST, Thursday, Feb 13<sup>th</sup>.**

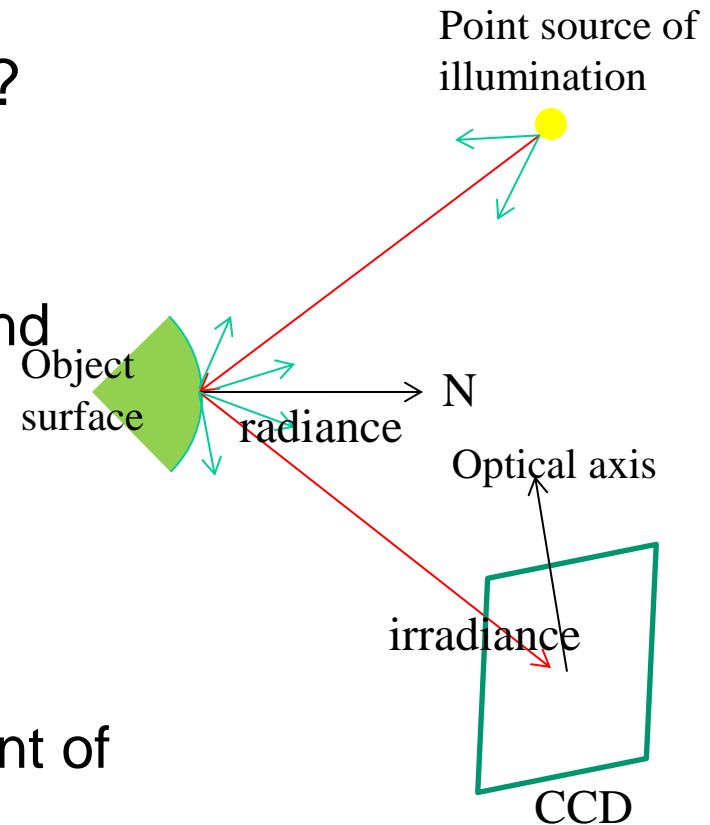
# Recall: Basic Radiometry

## Questions:

- how “bright” will surfaces be?
- what is “brightness”?
  - measuring light
  - interactions between light and surfaces

## The brightness is affected by

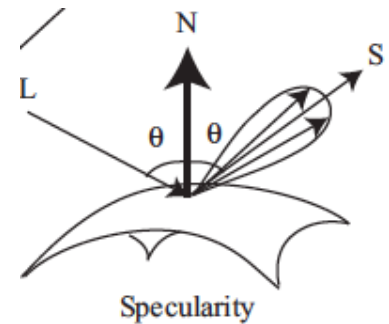
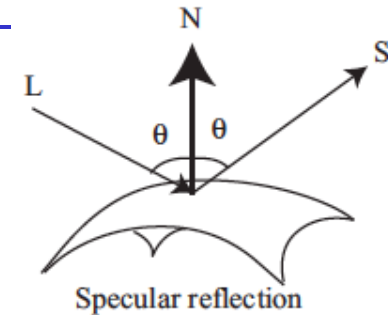
- Illumination
- Surface radiance ( $\text{Wsr}^{-1}\text{m}^{-2}$ ): amount of radiation in a specific direction
- Image irradiance ( $\text{Wm}^{-2}$ ): power of light per unit area a CCD array element receives



# Recall: Important Reflection Modes

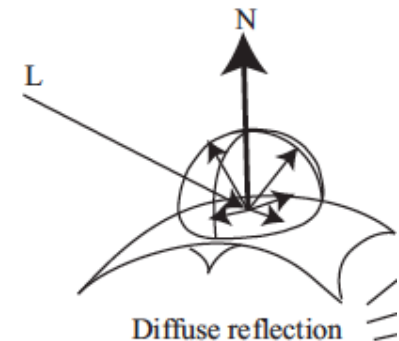
## Specular reflection (mirror like)

- Pure mirror:
  - incoming, outgoing directions and normal are coplanar
  - incoming, outgoing angles to normal are equal
- Most specular surfaces:
  - some light leaves the surface along directions near to the specular direction as well



## Diffuse reflection

- Light leaves in equal amounts in each direction
  - so surface looks equally bright from each viewing direction
  - Application: diffusion umbrella



# Recall: Diffuse Reflection

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**Light leaves the surface evenly in all directions**

- E.g., cotton cloth, carpets, matte paper, matte paints, most “rough” surfaces

**Described by one parameter: Albedo (reflection coefficient)**

- percentage of light arriving that leaves
- range 0-1
  - practical range is 0.05-0.9
  - Albedo of earth is 0.3-0.35

**Light leaving is (Albedo)x(Light arriving)**

- Does not depend on the observation direction
- Ambiguity: A surface could be dark because
  - It reflects a small percentage of the light arriving
  - There isn't very much light arriving

# How much light arrives: Lambertian Reflection

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## Assume source is far away

- So light travels in parallel rays
- (Light arriving) proportional to (number of rays striking surface)

## Lambertian reflection: Ideal diffuse reflection

- Surface radiance follows the Lambert's cosine law

$$I_R = \rho \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{N}$$

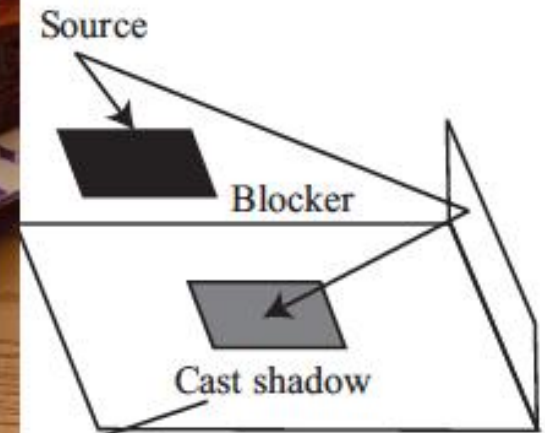
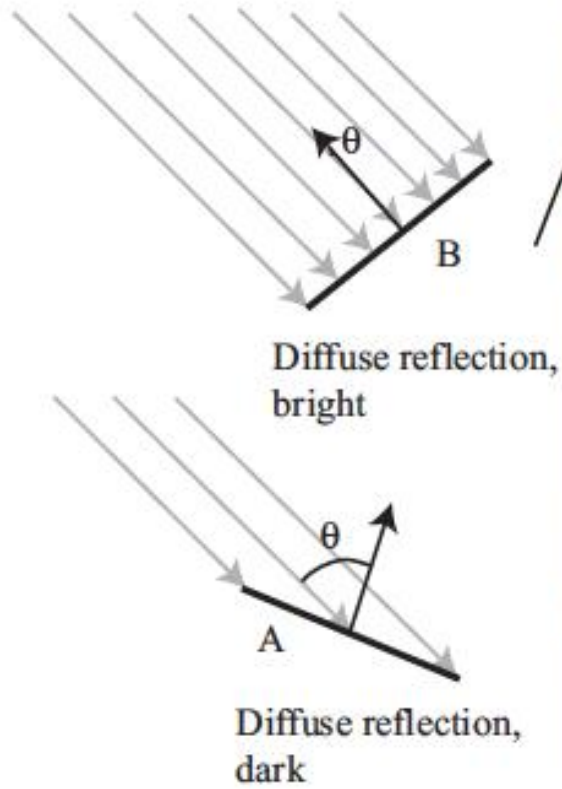
$I_R$ : surface radiance;  $\rho$ : surface albedo;

$\mathbf{L}$ : intensity and direction of incoming light;  $\mathbf{N}$ : surface normal



Which surface will be brighter with the same number of rays arriving?

# How much light arrives: Lambertian Reflection





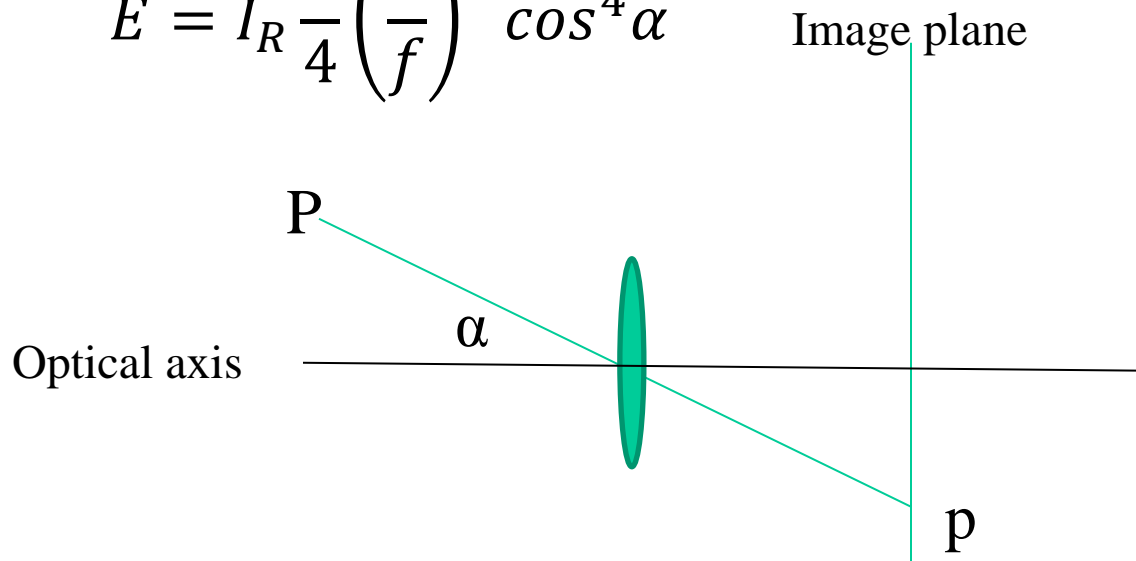
# Fundamental Equation of Radiometric Image Formation

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What is the relationship between the surface radiance and image irradiance?

For a thin lens with diameter  $d$  and focal length  $f$ , we have

$$E = I_R \frac{\pi}{4} \left( \frac{d}{f} \right)^2 \cos^4 \alpha$$




For small angular aperture (FOV), the image irradiance is proportional to the surface radiance.

# Fundamental Equation of Radiometric Image Formation

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illumination  intensity

$$I = \beta \rho \frac{\pi}{4} \left( \frac{d}{f} \right)^2 \cos^4 \alpha \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{N}$$


Sensor determined

# Notes: Radiometry

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## Image brightness is affected by

- amount of light arriving at surface
- surface type (diffuse, specular) and amount reflected at surface
- camera sensitivity



Low albedo surface in bright light vs high albedo surface in low light: each might reflect about the same amount

## Most surfaces can be modeled as diffuse + specular

- generally, find and remove specularities
- treat the rest as diffuse

# Illumination and Shading

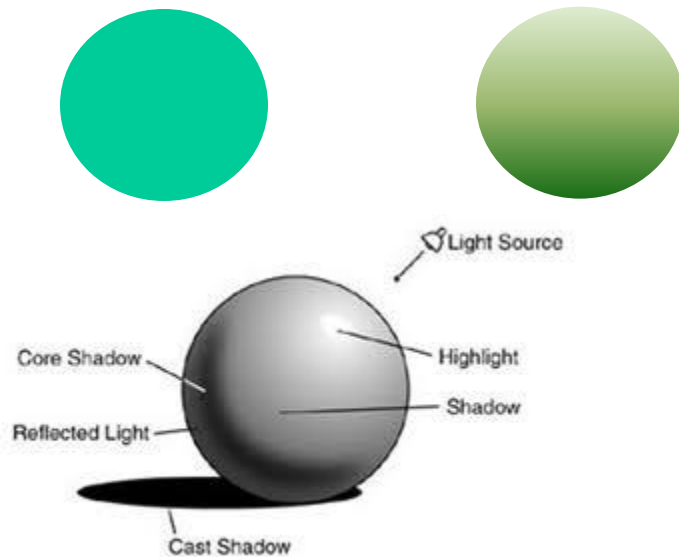
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The point is in the shadow if  $L=0$

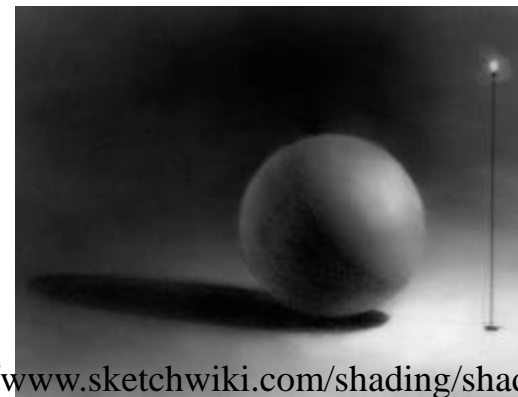
## Shadow

👍: tells us the geometry of the object and the relative position to the light source

👎: cause trouble for recognition



Is it a ball or a circle?



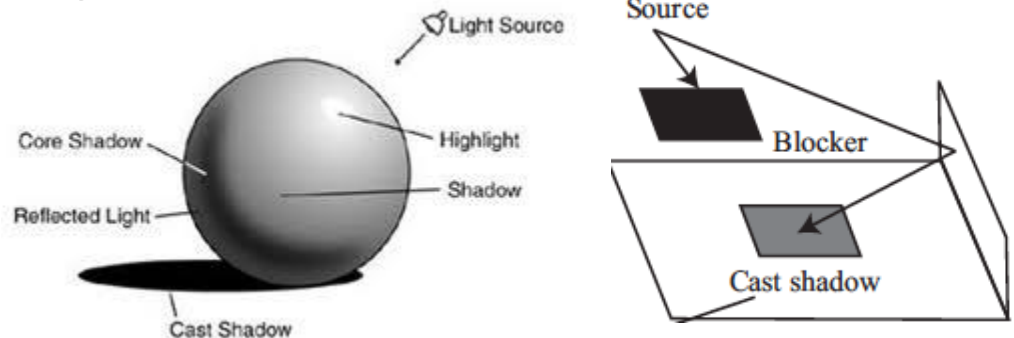
# Shadows

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## Most shadows aren't dark

- because shadow points get light from other surfaces, not just light source
- Cast shadow – created by the blocker
- Form shadow – on the side of object opposite to light
- Core shadow – dark edge between the illuminated part and form shadow

## Why cast shadow is darker?



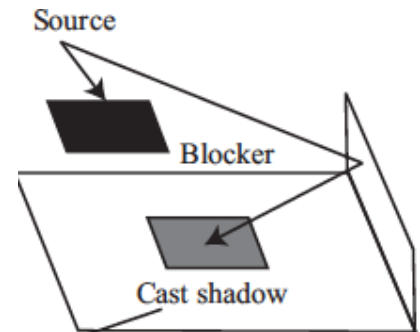
# Shadows

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## Why cast shadow is more darker?



## Area sources

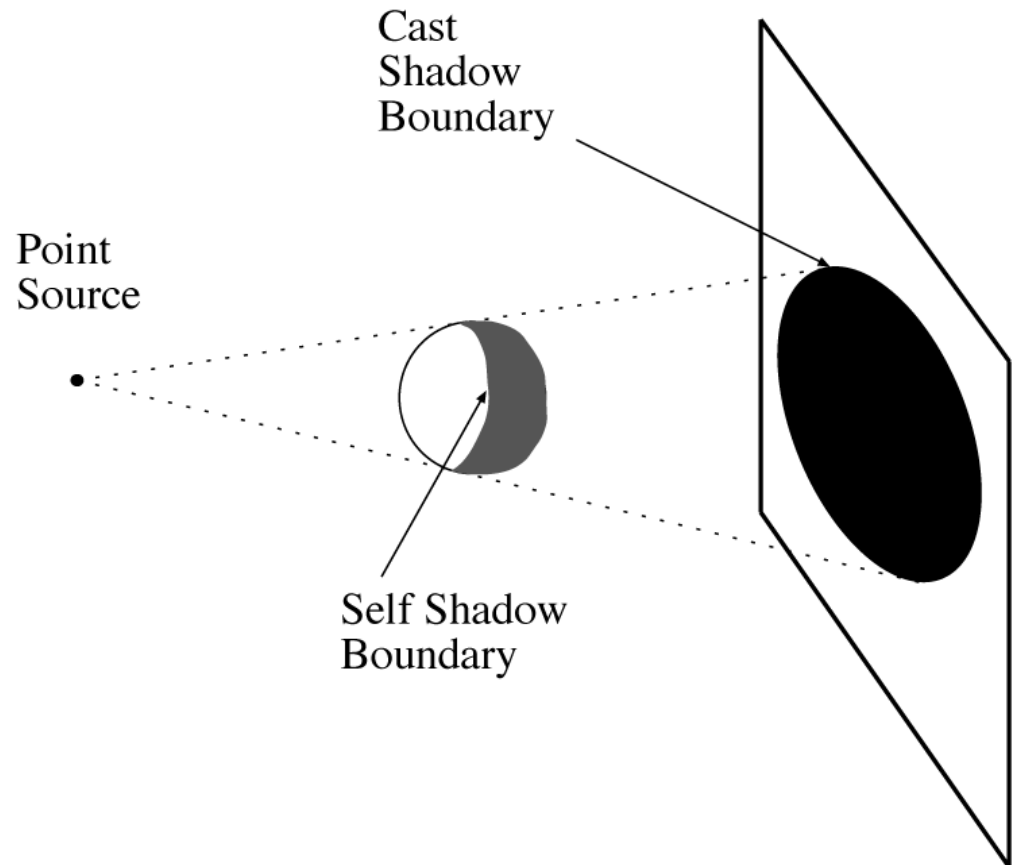
- Large, bright areas
- Yield smooth, blurry shadows
  - Points that can see the whole source are brighter
  - Points that can see only part of the source are darker (penumbra)
  - Points that can see no part of the source are darkest (umbra)

# Shadows Cast by a Point Source

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A point that can't see the source is in shadow

For point sources, the geometry is simple



# Shadows Cast by an Area Source

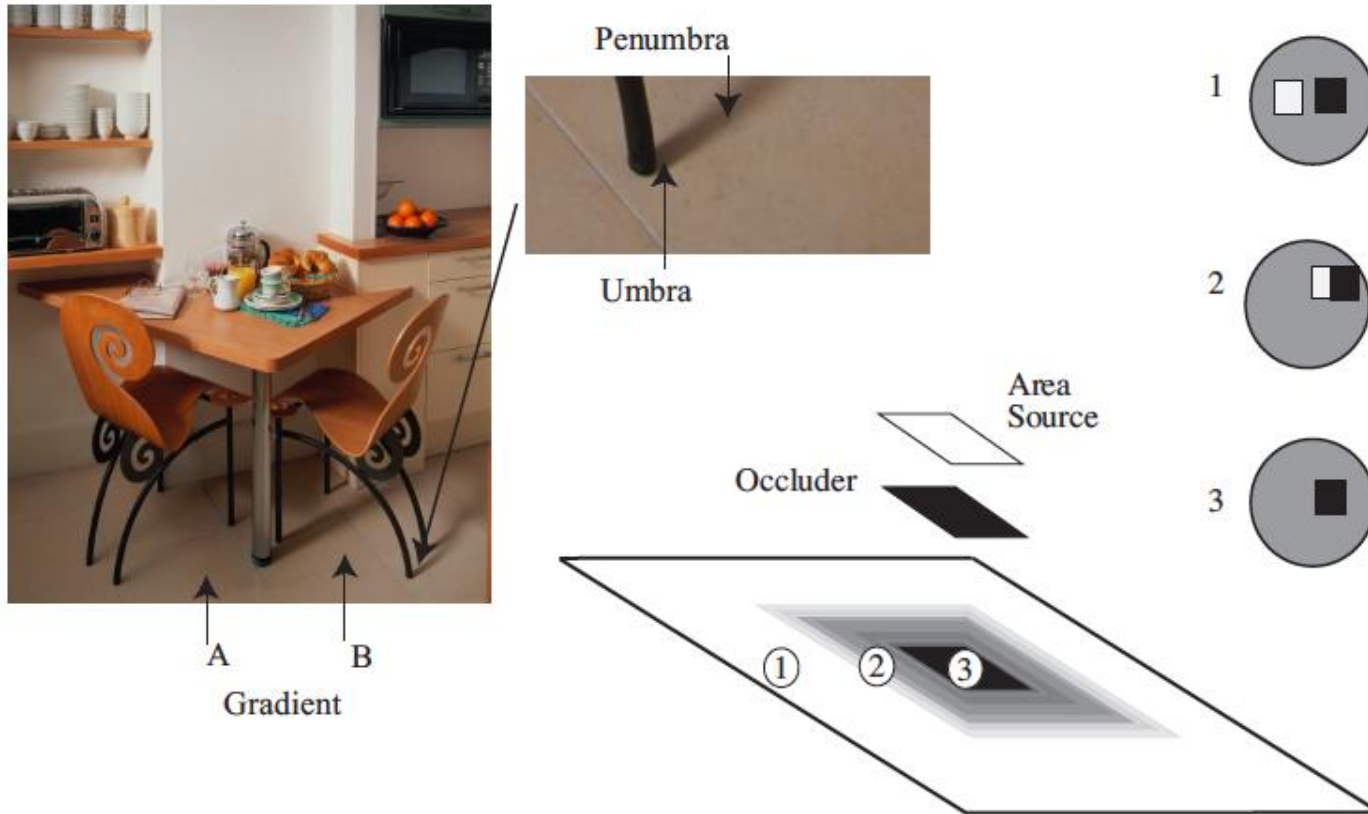
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# Shadows Cast by an Area Source



**Penumbra:** Points that can see only part of the source are darker

**Umbra:** Points that can see no part of the source are darkest

# Information from Shading

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## Recover some information about the world from shading

- Photometric stereo (shape from shading)
  - recover shape and albedo of surfaces from multiple shaded images
- Recovering surface albedo
  - from image data
- Radiometric calibration
  - how much light is required to produce a particular number in the image

**Applications in graphics: rendering of a scene with different illumination and different surface materials**

# Photometric Stereo

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## Assume:

- A set of point sources that are infinitely distant
- A set of pictures of an object, obtained in exactly the same camera/object configuration but using different illumination sources
- Pictures taken based on an orthographic camera model
- A Lambertian object (or the specular component has been identified and removed)

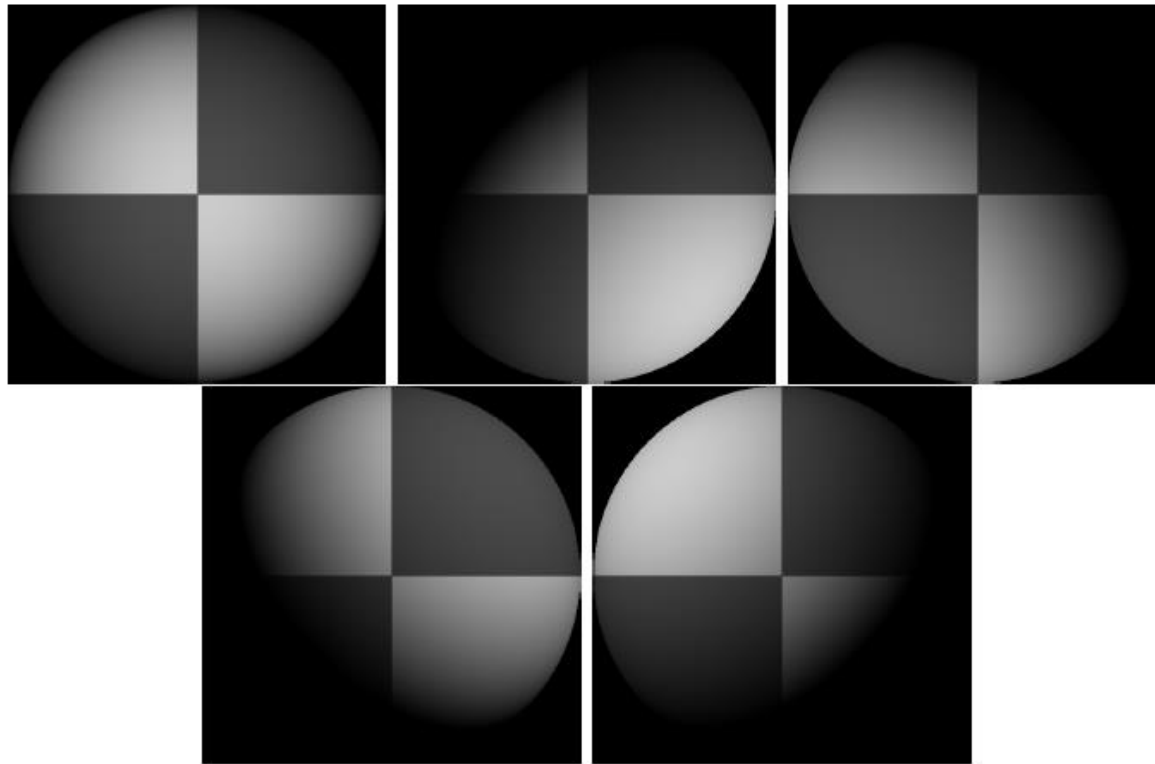
## What do we want

- Reconstruct a patch of surface in 3D space

# Example

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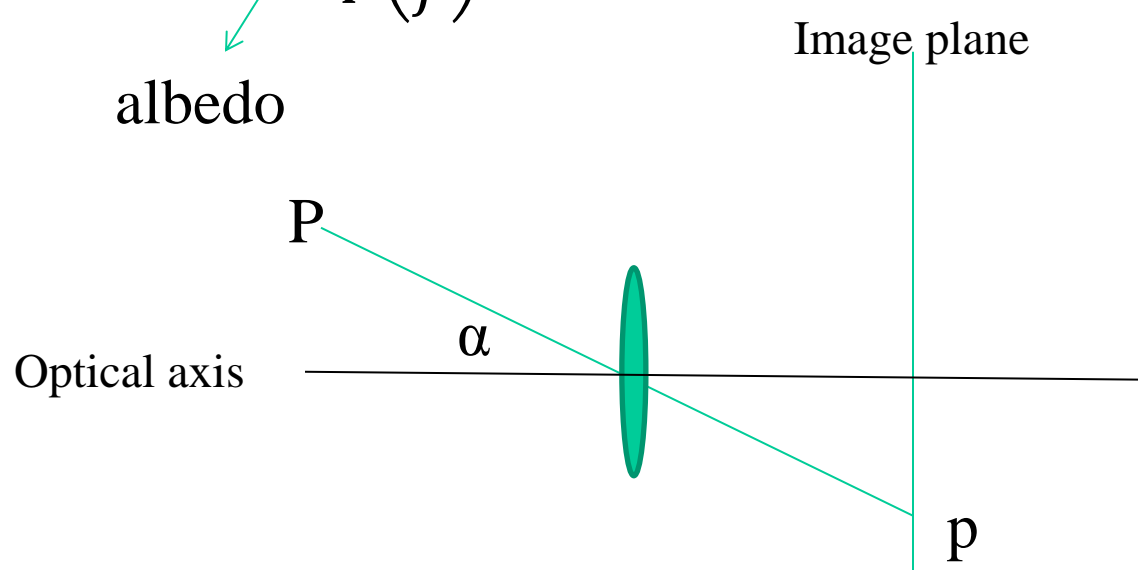
Five synthetic images of a sphere with different sources



# Fundamental Equation of Radiometric Image Formation

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For a thin lens with diameter  $d$  and focal length  $f$ , we have

$$I = \underset{\substack{\text{albedo} \\ \swarrow}}{\beta \rho} \frac{\pi}{4} \left( \frac{d}{f} \right)^2 \cos^4 \alpha \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{N}$$


For small angular aperture, the image irradiance is proportional to the surface radiance.

# Imaging Model

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Assume a small aperture lens, fix the camera and the surface in position

Image value at  $(x, y)$  is

$$I(x, y) = \beta \rho(x, y) \frac{\pi}{4} \left( \frac{d}{f} \right)^2 \cos^4 \alpha \mathbf{L}(x, y) \cdot \mathbf{N}(x, y)$$

Group the constant parameters together, we have

$$I(x, y) = k \rho(x, y) \mathbf{L}(x, y) \cdot \mathbf{N}(x, y) = \mathbf{g}(x, y) \cdot \mathbf{v}(x, y)$$

where  $\mathbf{g}(x, y) = \rho(x, y) \mathbf{N}(x, y)$  and  $\mathbf{v}(x, y) = k \mathbf{L}(x, y)$

Can be measured

**Notice  $\mathbf{g}(x, y)$  tells us about the surface,  $\mathbf{v}(x, y)$  about the source and camera**

# Normal and Albedo from Many Pictures

We take  $n$  photographs, using  $n$  different sources, and measure

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}_1^T \\ \mathbf{V}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{V}_n^T \end{pmatrix}_{n \times 3} \quad \mathbf{i}(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} I_1(x, y) \\ I_2(x, y) \\ \vdots \\ I_n(x, y) \end{pmatrix}_{n \times 1}$$

Mask the shadow point

We have  $\mathbf{i}(x, y) = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{g}(x, y)$   $\rightarrow$   $M\mathbf{i}(x, y) = M\mathbf{V}\mathbf{g}(x, y)$

Least-squared estimation can be used to solve for  $\mathbf{g}(x, y)$

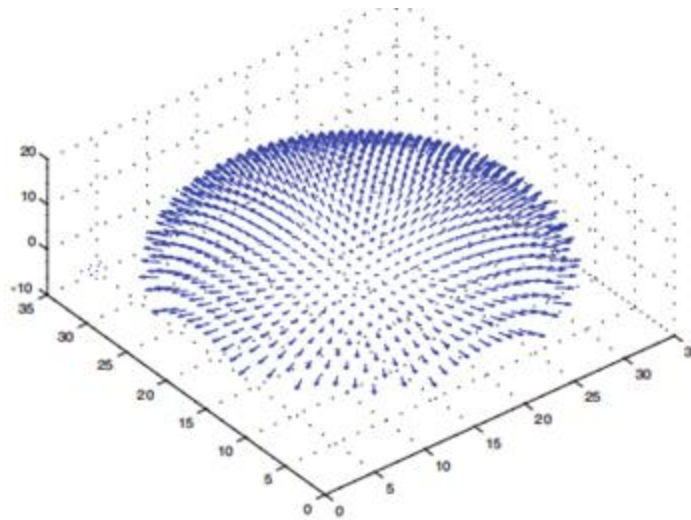
Albedo  $\rho(x, y) = \|\mathbf{g}(x, y)\| \rightarrow$  Should be in  $[0, 1]$

Normal  $\mathbf{N}(x, y) = \frac{\mathbf{g}(x, y)}{\|\mathbf{g}(x, y)\|}$

# Shape from Normals

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Now we have



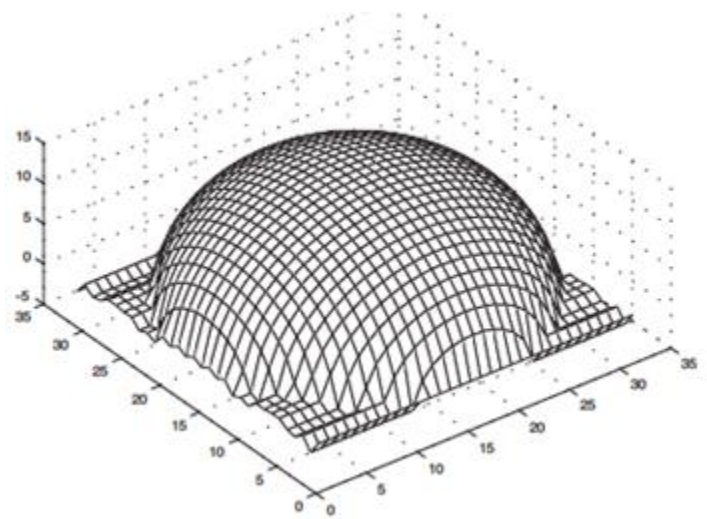
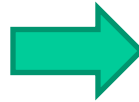
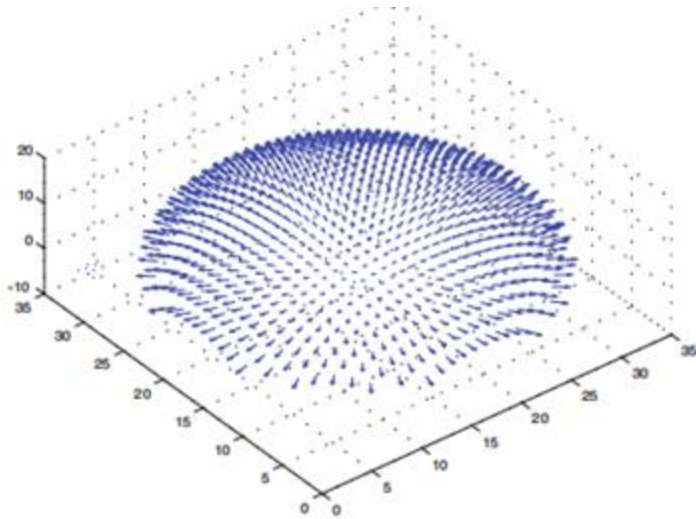
$$\mathbf{N}(x, y)$$



# Shape from Normals

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Now we have



$$N(x, y)$$

# Shape from Normals

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## How to calculate the surface normal at (x,y)?

- A 3D surface can be represented as a function of X and Y:  
 $Z = f(X, Y)$  or  $F(X, Y, Z) = Z - f(X, Y) = 0$



- Then the surface normal at  $(X, Y, Z)$  is  $\nabla F(X, Y, Z)$  for  $F(X, Y, Z) = 0$

$$\mathbf{N}(X, Y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial X}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial Y}\right)^2}} \left[ -\frac{\partial f}{\partial X}, -\frac{\partial f}{\partial Y}, 1 \right]^T$$

# Shape from Normals

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Assume we use the orthographic model

$$x = X \text{ and } y = Y$$

$$\mathbf{N}(x, y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^2}} \left[ -\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, -\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, 1 \right]^T$$

# Shape from Normals

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Let the measured unit normal at  $(x, y)$  is

$$\mathbf{N}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} a(x, y) \\ b(x, y) \\ c(x, y) \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^2}} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ -\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

then we know

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = -\frac{a(x, y)}{c(x, y)} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -\frac{b(x, y)}{c(x, y)}$$

# Reconstruct Depth Map

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Using differential equation to approximate

$$\begin{aligned} f(x + \Delta x, y) &= f(x, y) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Delta x \\ f(x, y + \Delta y) &= f(x, y) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \Delta y \end{aligned}$$

Let the top-left corner of the depth map to be zero and then increase  $x$  and  $y$  with the step length of 1 pixel each time to construct the whole depth map

# Example

$$\rho(x, y) = |\mathbf{g}(x, y)|$$

$$\mathbf{N}(x, y) = \mathbf{g}(x, y) / |\mathbf{g}(x, y)|$$

Reconstructed surface

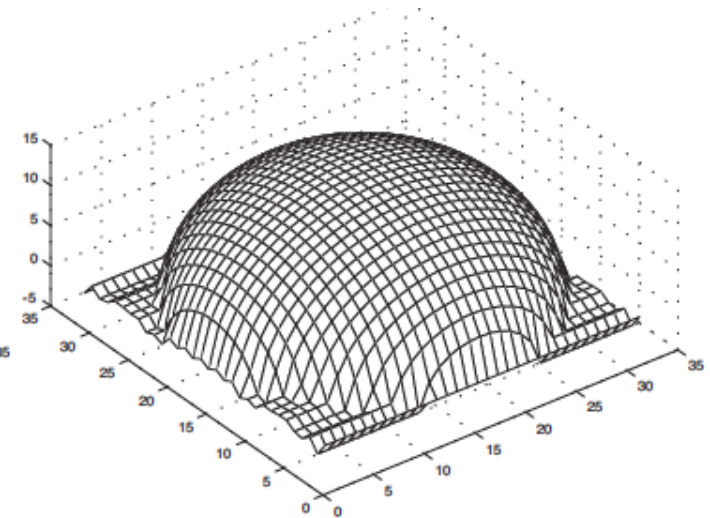
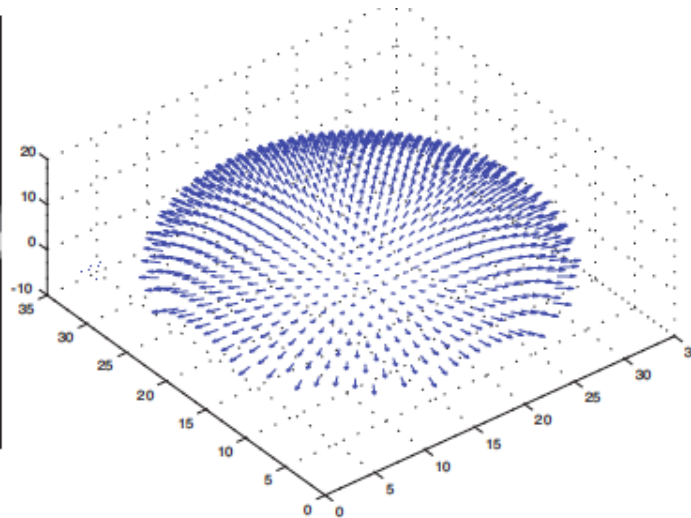


FIGURE 2.12: The image on the **left** shows the magnitude of the vector field  $\mathbf{g}(x, y)$  recovered from the input data of Figure 2.11 represented as an image—this is the reflectance of the surface. The **center** figure shows the normal field, and the **right** figure shows the height field.