



# Computer Graphics

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# Overview



- Administrivia
  - People, times, places, etc.
- Syllabus
  - What will I learn in this course?
- Raster Graphics
  - Getting started ...

# Administrative Matters

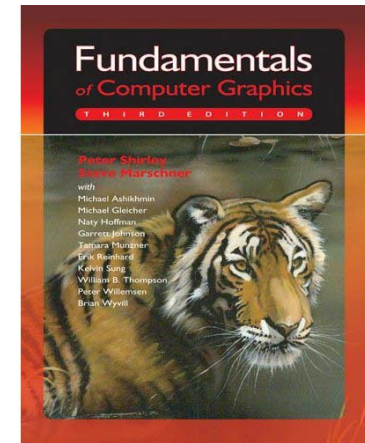


- Instructors

- Szymon Rusinkiewicz
- TA #1: Vladimir (Vova) Kim
- TA #2: TBA

- Book

- *Fundamentals of Computer Graphics*  
Peter Shirley and Steve Marschner,  
Third Edition, A.K. Peters, July 2009,  
ISBN: 978-1568814698



- Web page

- <http://www.cs.princeton.edu/cos426>

# Questions / Discussion



- Experimenting with Piazza ([www.piazza.com](http://www.piazza.com)) to handle question/answer and general help
- Somewhere between Wiki and newsgroups...
- Use this instead of email to instructors/TAs
- Will set it up for everyone enrolled as of today

# Coursework



- Programming Assignments (50%)
  - Assignment #0: C++ programming / HTML / dropbox
  - Assignment #1: Image Processing
  - Assignment #2: Mesh Processing
  - Assignment #3: Ray Tracing
  - Assignment #4: Particle System Animation
- Exams (25%)
  - In class (Mar 10 and Apr 28)
- Final Project (25%)
  - Video game!
  - Completed in groups of 2-4



# Programming Assignments

- When?
  - Roughly every 2-3 weeks
- Where?
  - Anywhere you want, e.g. home or Friend 017 lab
- How?
  - C++ (Precept this week; install compiler now!)
  - Interactive rendering APIs: OpenGL, GLUT
- What?
  - Basic feature lists
  - Optional features
  - Art contest

# Art Contest

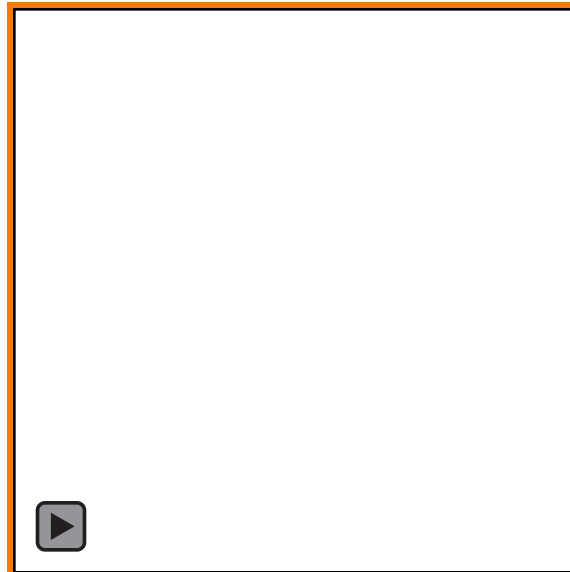


- Everybody should submit entries!
  - 1 point for submitting
  - 2 points for winning



## Cool Images

*(James Percy, CS 426, Fall99)*



## Videos

*(Phil Wei, CS 426, Spr04)*



## Bloopers

*(Alex Combs, CS 426, Spr05)*

# Collaboration Policy



- Overview:
  - You must write your own code (no credit for other code)
  - You must reference your sources of any ideas/code
- It's OK to ...
  - Talk with other students about ideas, approaches, etc.
  - Get ideas from information in books, web sites, etc.
  - Get “support” code from example programs
    - » But, you must reference your sources
- It's NOT OK to ...
  - Share code with another student
  - Use ideas or code acquired from another sources without attribution



# Precepts



- Schedule?
  - Friday 1:30 – 2:30
  - Friday 3:00 – 4:00
  - Other?
- Place?
  - TBA

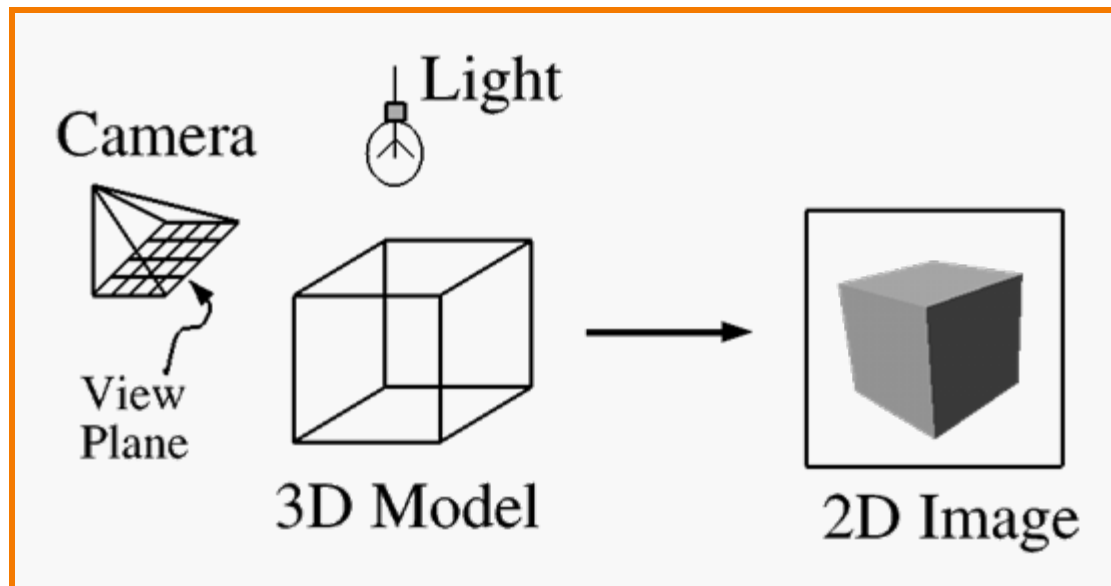
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# Introduction

- What is computer graphics?
  - Imaging = *representing 2D images*
  - Modeling = *representing 3D objects*
  - Rendering = *constructing 2D images from 3D models*
  - Animation = *simulating changes over time*



# Syllabus



I. Image processing

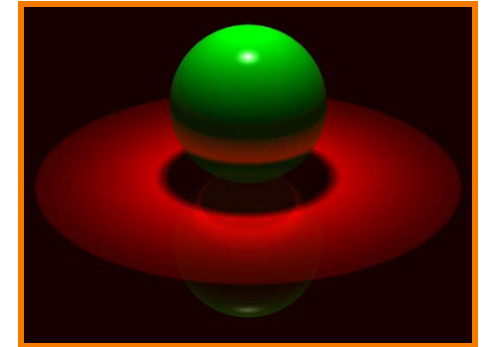
II. Modeling

III. Rendering

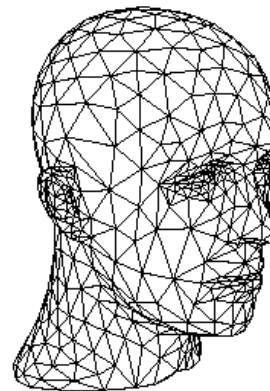
IV. Animation



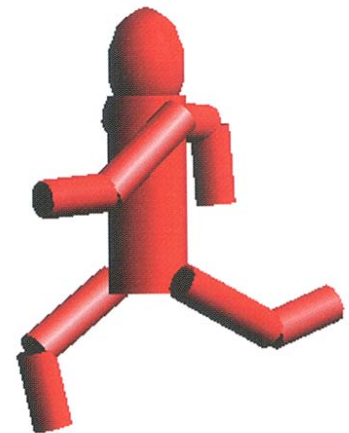
**Image Processing**  
*(Rusty Coleman, CS426, Fall99)*



**Rendering**  
*(Michael Bostock, CS426, Fall99)*



**Modeling**  
*(Dennis Zorin, CalTech)*



**Animation**  
*(Angel, Plate 1)*

# Part I: Image Processing



- Raster Graphics
  - Display devices
  - Color models
- Image Representation
  - Sampling
  - Reconstruction
  - Quantization & Aliasing
- Image Processing
  - Filtering
  - Warping
  - Composition
  - Morphing



Image Composition  
*(Michael Bostock, CS426, Fall99)*

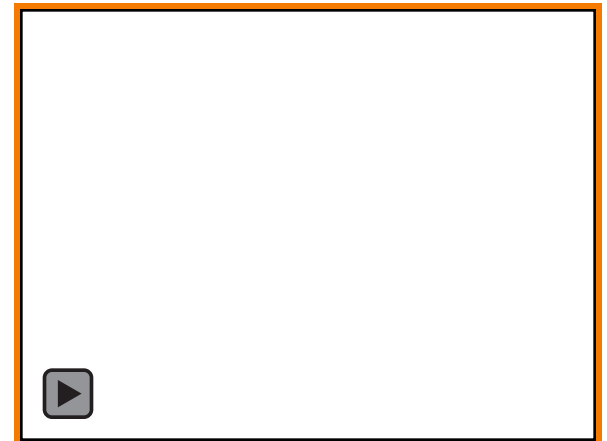
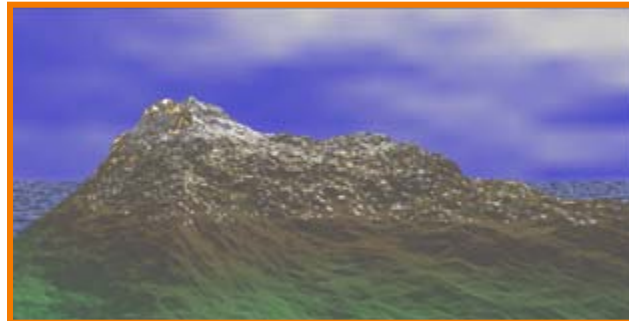


Image Morphing  
*(All students in CS 426, Fall98)*

# Part II: Modeling



- Representations of geometry
  - Curves: splines
  - Surfaces: meshes, splines, subdivision
  - Solids: voxels
- Procedural modeling
  - Sweeps
  - Fractals
  - Grammars



**Scenery Designer**

*(Dirk Balfanz, Igor Guskov,  
Sanjeev Kumar, & Rudro Samanta,  
CS426, Fall95)*



**Shell**

*(Douglas Turnbull,  
CS 426, Fall99)*

# Part III: Rendering



- Interactive 3D Pipeline
  - Modeling transformations
  - Viewing transformations
  - Hidden surface removal
  - Illumination, shading, and textures
  - Scan conversion, clipping
  - Hierarchical scene graphics
  - OpenGL
- Global illumination
  - Ray tracing
  - Radiosity



Pixel Shading  
*(Final Fantasy, Square Pictures)*

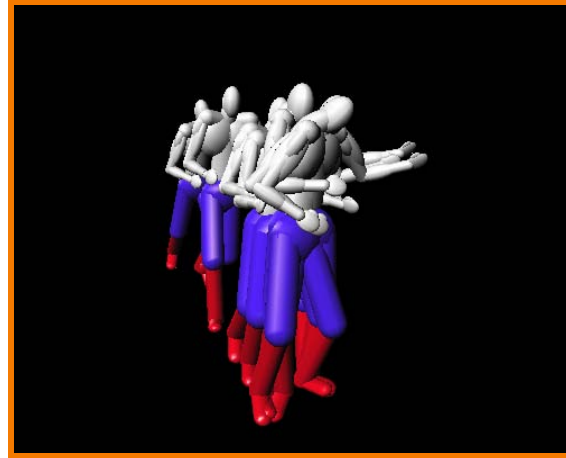
Ray Tracing  
*(Sid Kapur, CS 426, Spr04)*



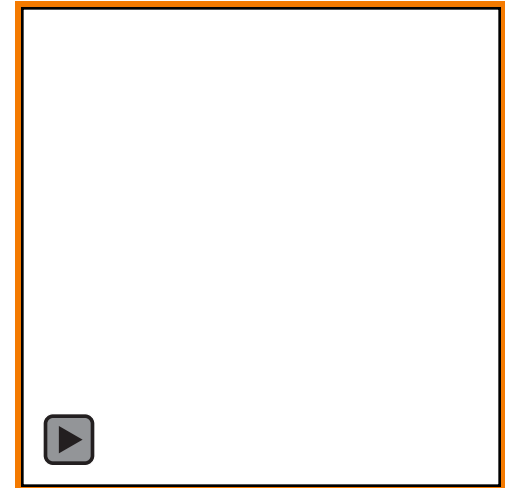
# Part IV: Animation



- Keyframing
  - Kinematics
  - Articulated figures
- Motion capture
  - Capture
  - Warping
- Dynamics
  - Physically-based simulations
  - Particle systems
- Behaviors
  - Planning, learning, etc.



Dancing Guy  
(Jon Beyer, CS426, Spr05)



Ice Queen  
(Mao Chen, Zaijin Guan, Zhiyan Liu, & Xiaohu Qie,  
CS426, Fall98)





# Applications

- Entertainment
- Computer-aided design
- Scientific visualization
- Training
- Education
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**Jurassic Park**  
*(Industrial, Light, & Magic)*



**Up**  
*(Pixar Animation Studios)*



**Halo**  
*(Bungie)*

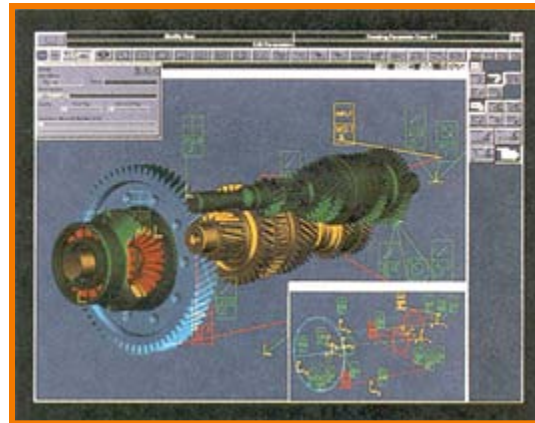
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Los Angeles Airport  
(Bill Jepsen, UCLA)



Gear Shaft Design  
(Intergraph Corporation)



Boeing 777 Airplane  
(Boeing Corporation)

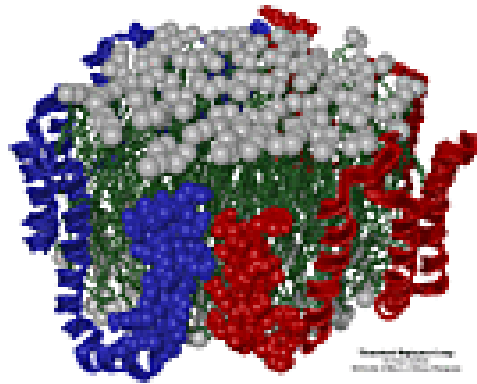
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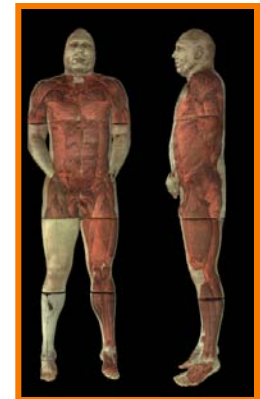
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Airflow Inside a Thunderstorm  
*(Bob Wilhelmson,  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)*



Apo A-1  
*(Theoretical Biophysics Group,  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)*



Visible Human  
*(National Library of Medicine)*



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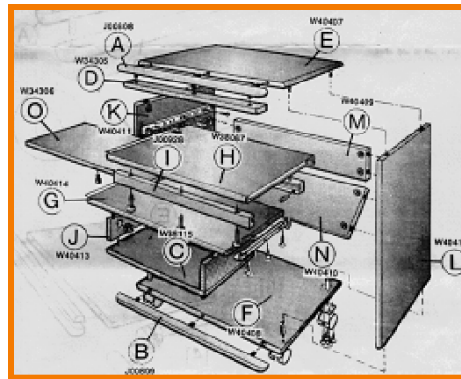
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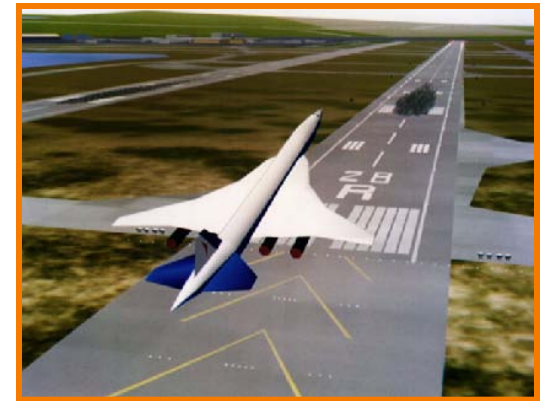
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Driving Simulation  
*(Evans & Sutherland)*



Desk Assembly  
*(Silicon Graphics, Inc.)*



Flight Simulation  
*(NASA)*

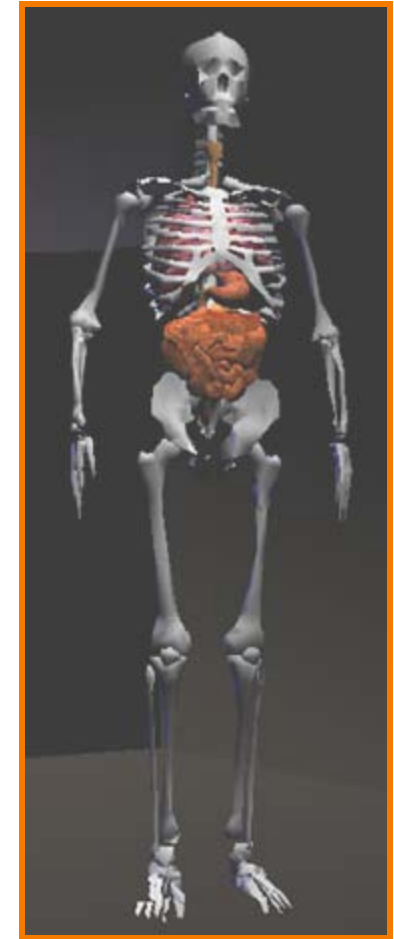


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Forum of Trajan  
*(Bill Jepson, UCLA)*



Human Skeleton  
*(SGI)*



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Virtual Footwear Wall  
(Intel)

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Blair Arch  
(Marissa Range '98)



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  - **Let's get started ...**

# Raster Graphics



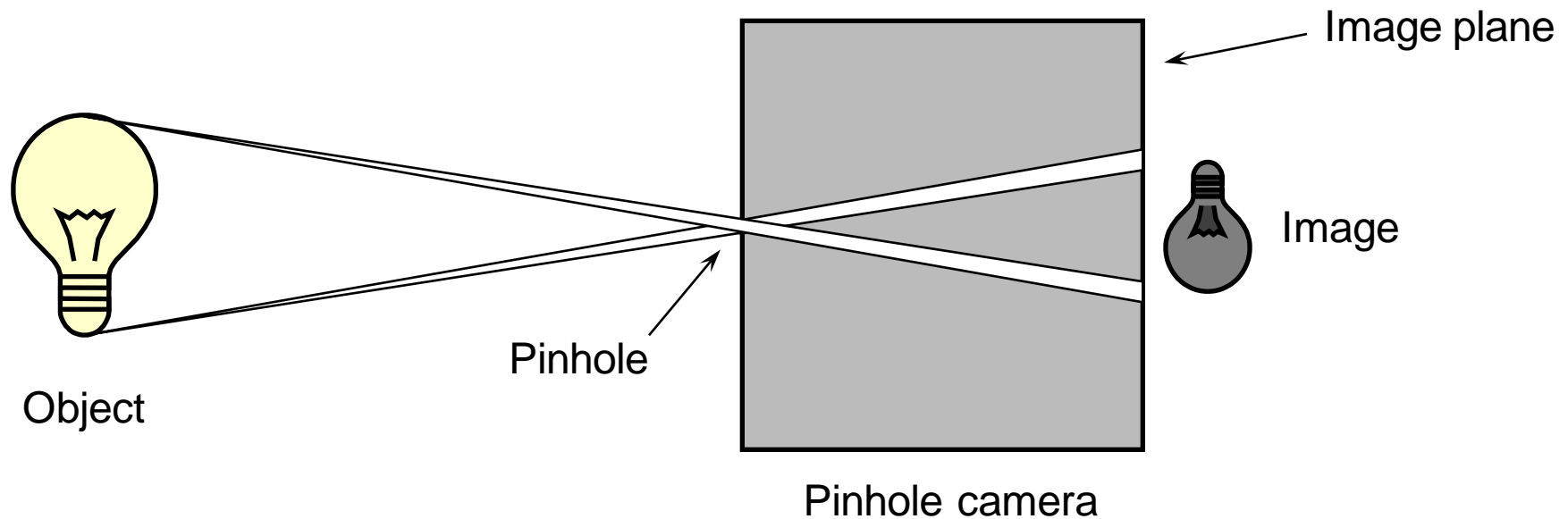
- Images
  - What is an image?
  - How are images displayed?
- Colors
  - What is a color?
  - How do we perceive colors?
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# What is an Image?



# What is an Image?

- Amount of light as a function of direction, flowing through an ideal camera



Points on image plane  
↔ directions of light

# What is a Digital Image?



# What is a Digital Image?

- Sampled representation of a continuous image...
- Stored as a 2D rectilinear array of *pixels*



Continuous image



Digital image

# What is a Digital Image?



A Pixel is a Sample, not a Little Square!



Continuous image



Digital image

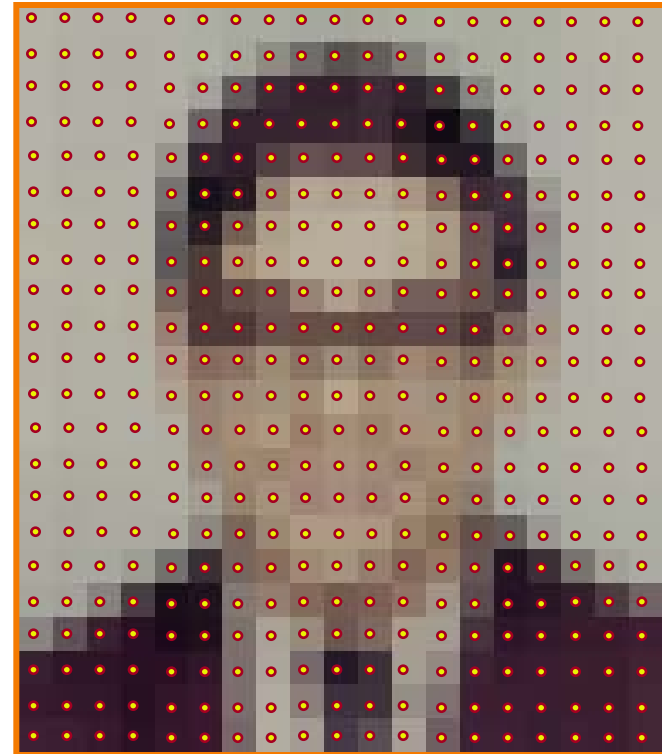


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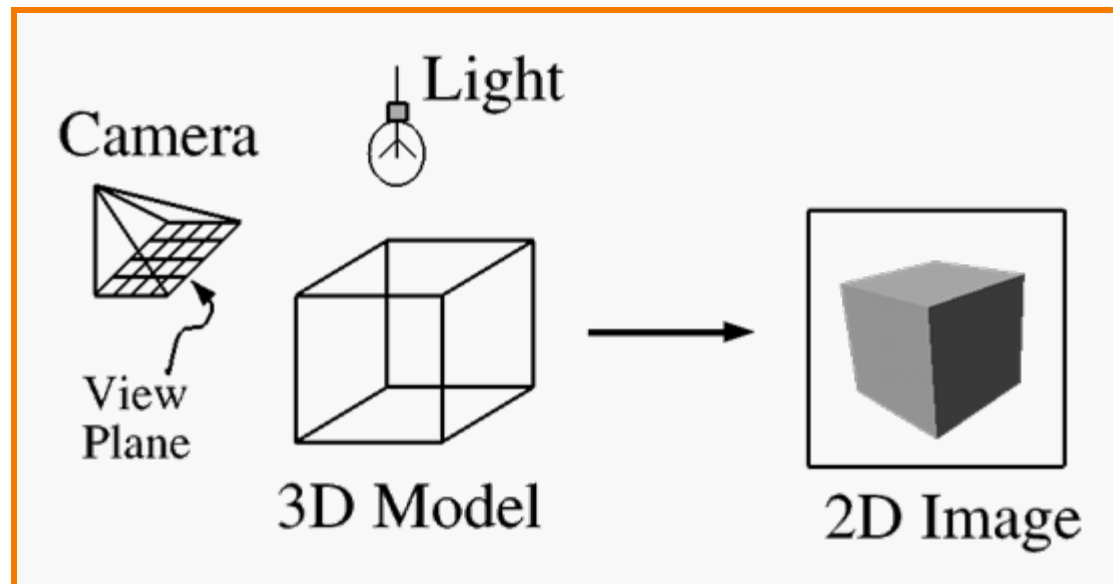
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Digital image

# Image Acquisition

- Pixels are samples from continuous function
  - Photoreceptors in eye
  - CCD cells in digital camera
  - Rays in virtual camera



# Image Display

- Re-create continuous function from samples
  - Example: cathode ray tube

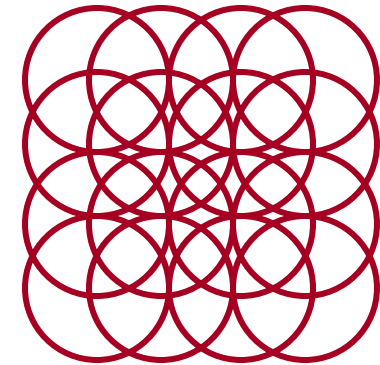
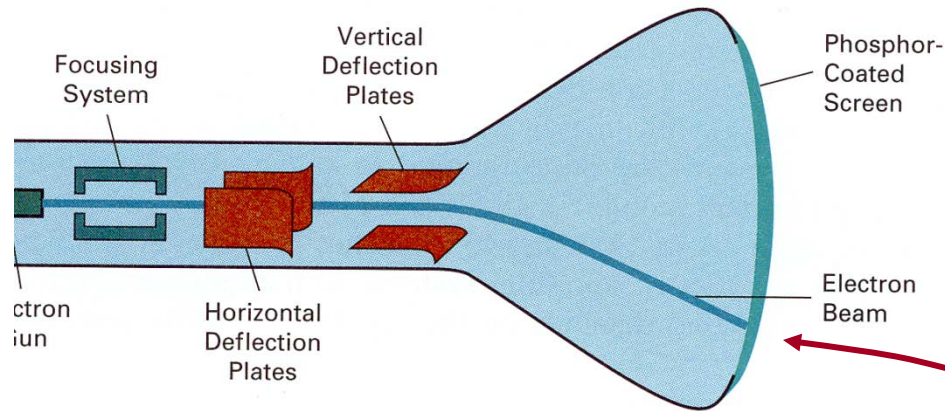


Image is reconstructed  
by displaying pixels  
with finite area  
(Gaussian)



# Image Resolution

- Intensity resolution
  - Each pixel has only “Depth” bits for colors/intensities
- Spatial resolution
  - Image has only “Width” x “Height” pixels
- Temporal resolution
  - Monitor refreshes images at only “Rate” Hz

Typical  
Resolutions

	Width x Height	Depth	Rate
NTSC	640 x 480	8	30
Workstation	1280 x 1024	24	75
Film	3000 x 2000	12	24
Laser Printer	6600 x 5100	1	-

# Frame Buffer

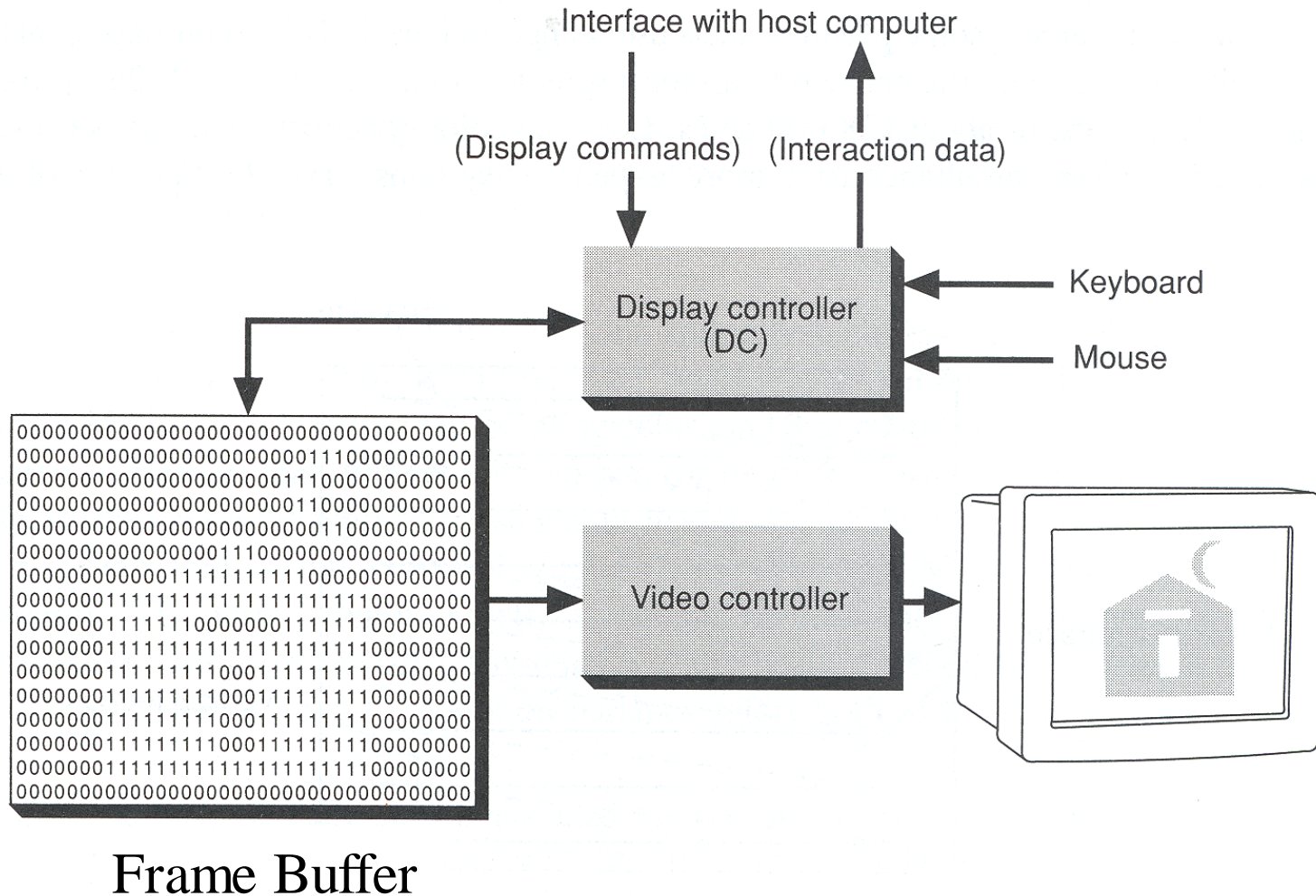
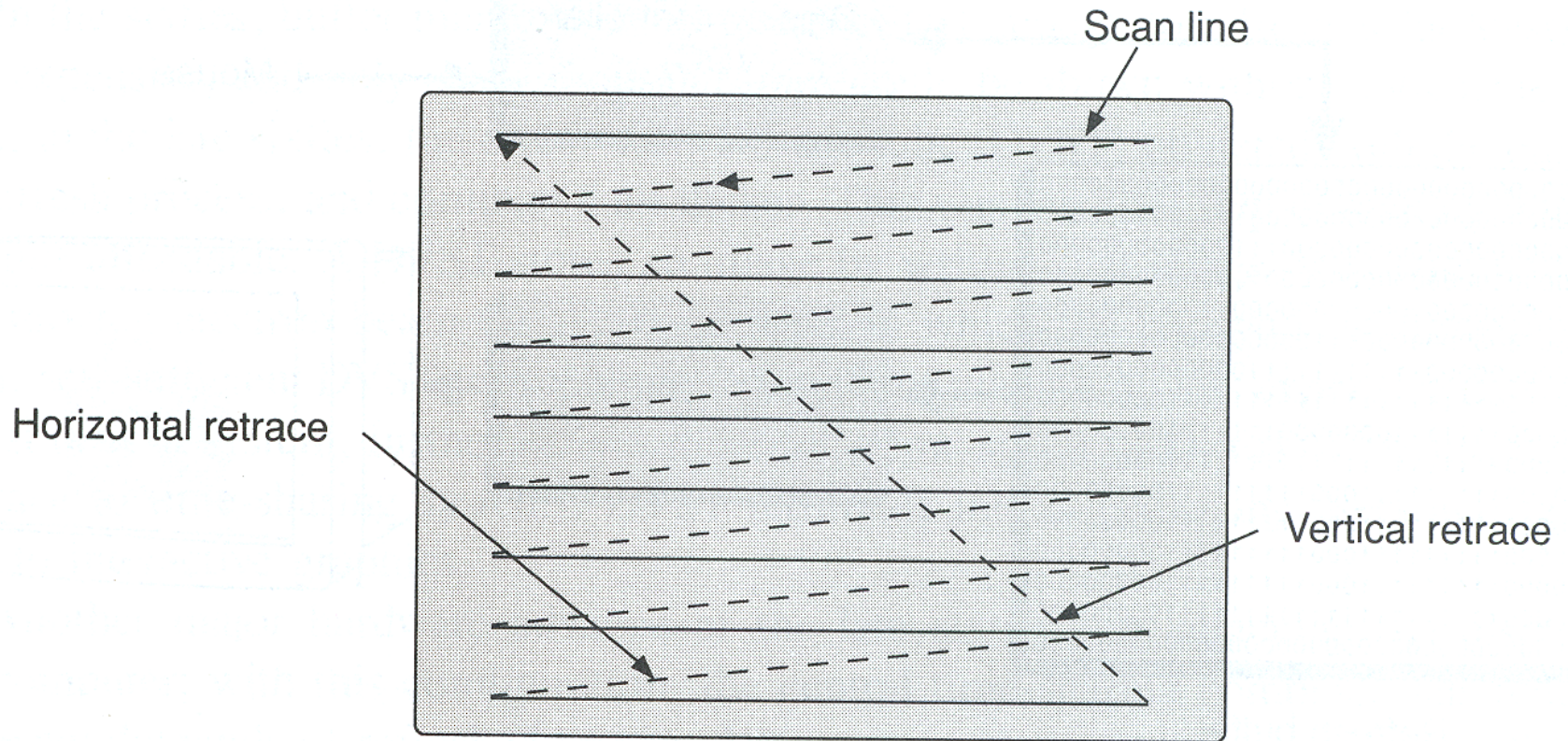


Figure 1.2 from FvDFH

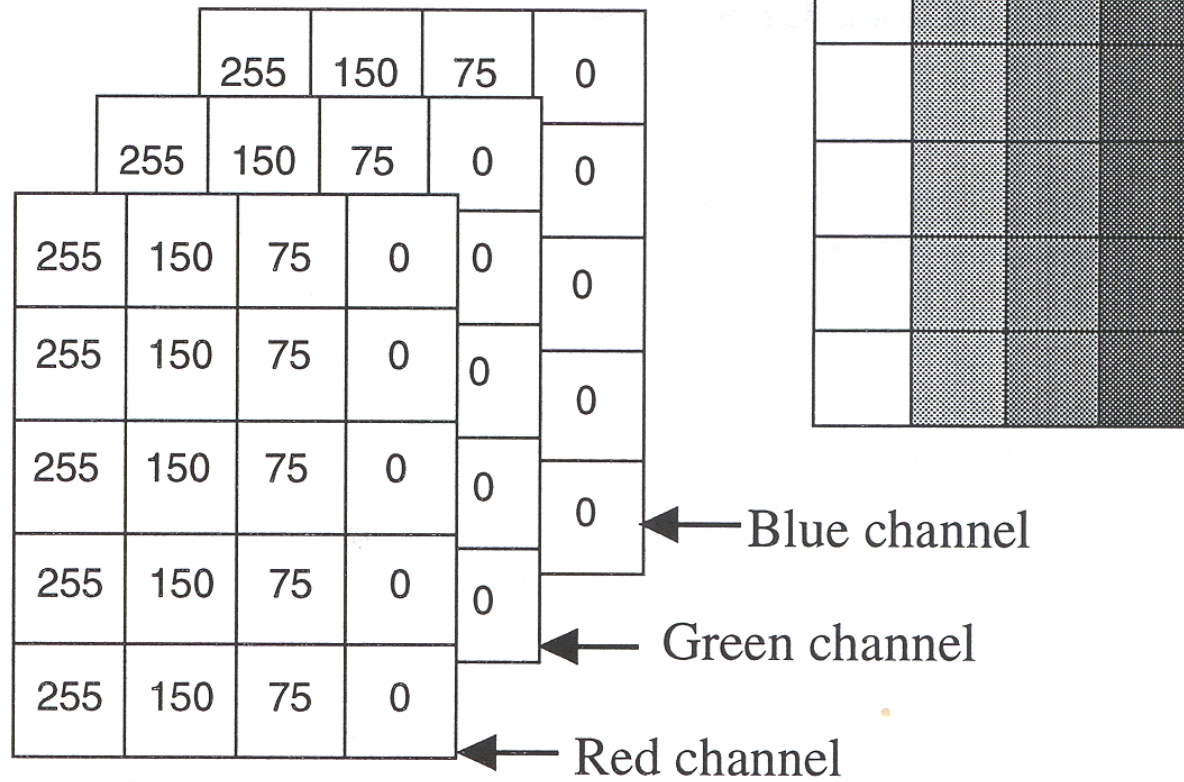
# Frame Buffer Refresh



Refresh rate is usually 60-75Hz

Figure 1.3 from FvDFH

# Color Frame Buffer



# Color CRT

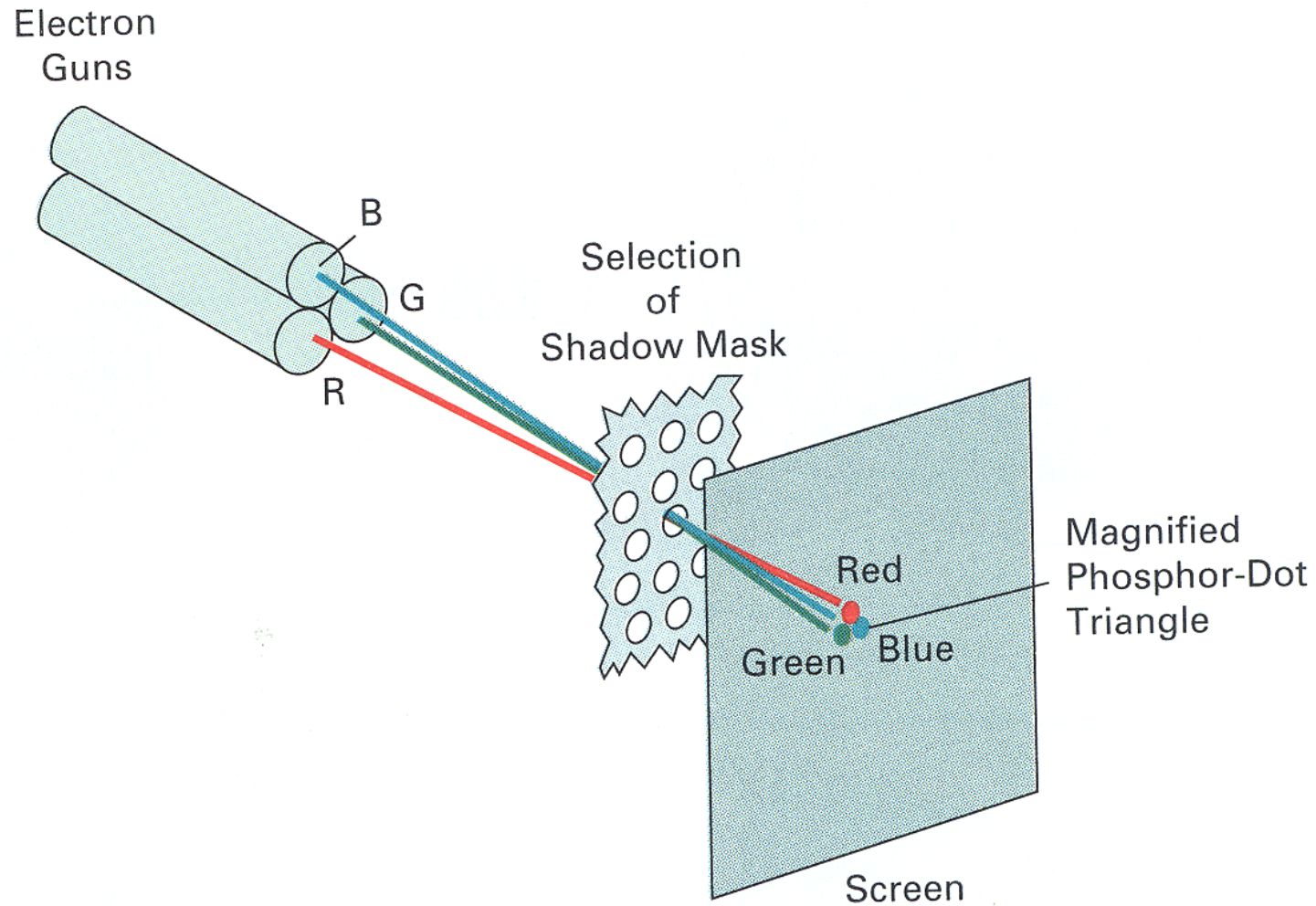
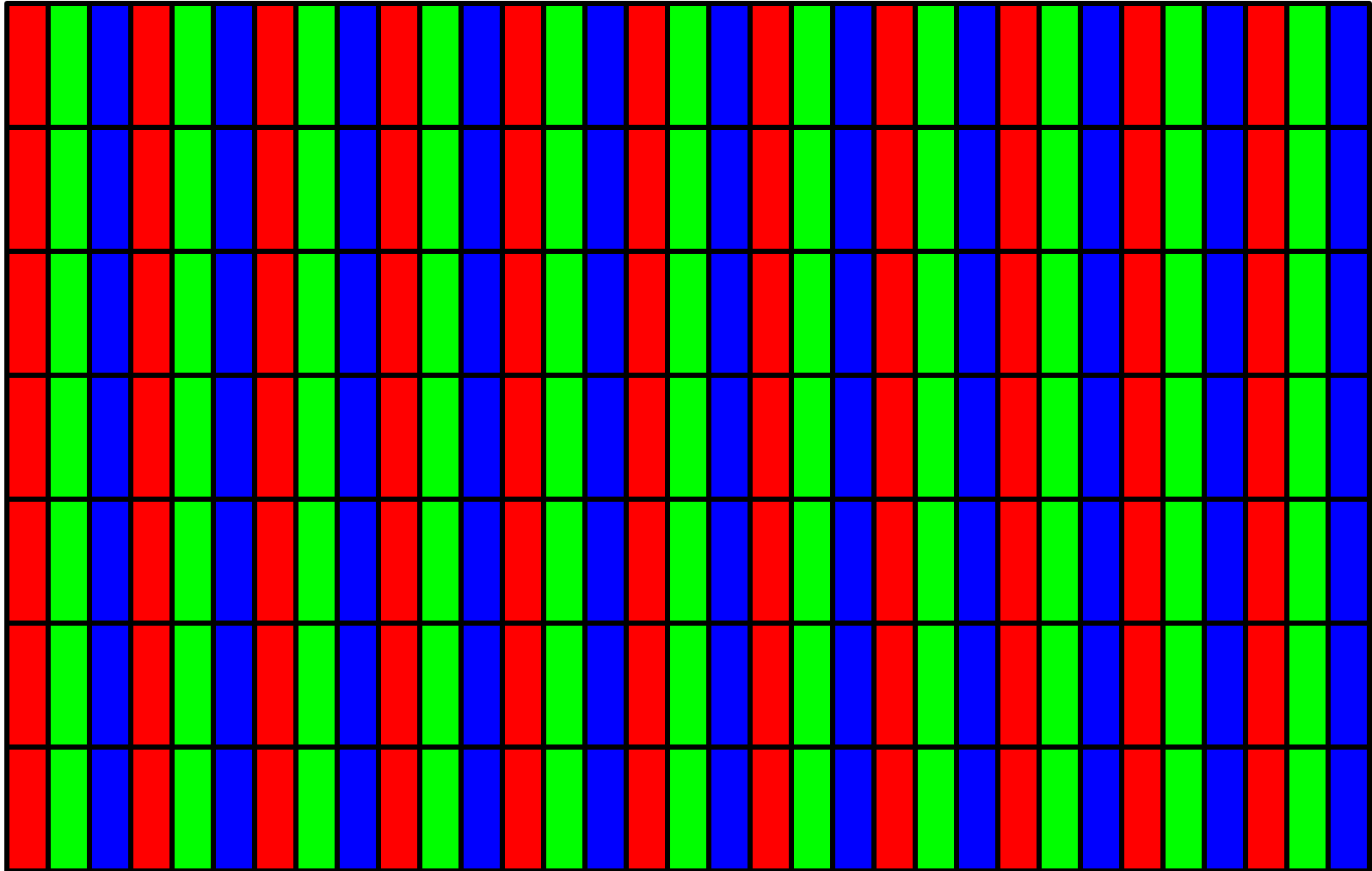


Figure 2.8 from H&B



# Color LCD



# Raster Graphics



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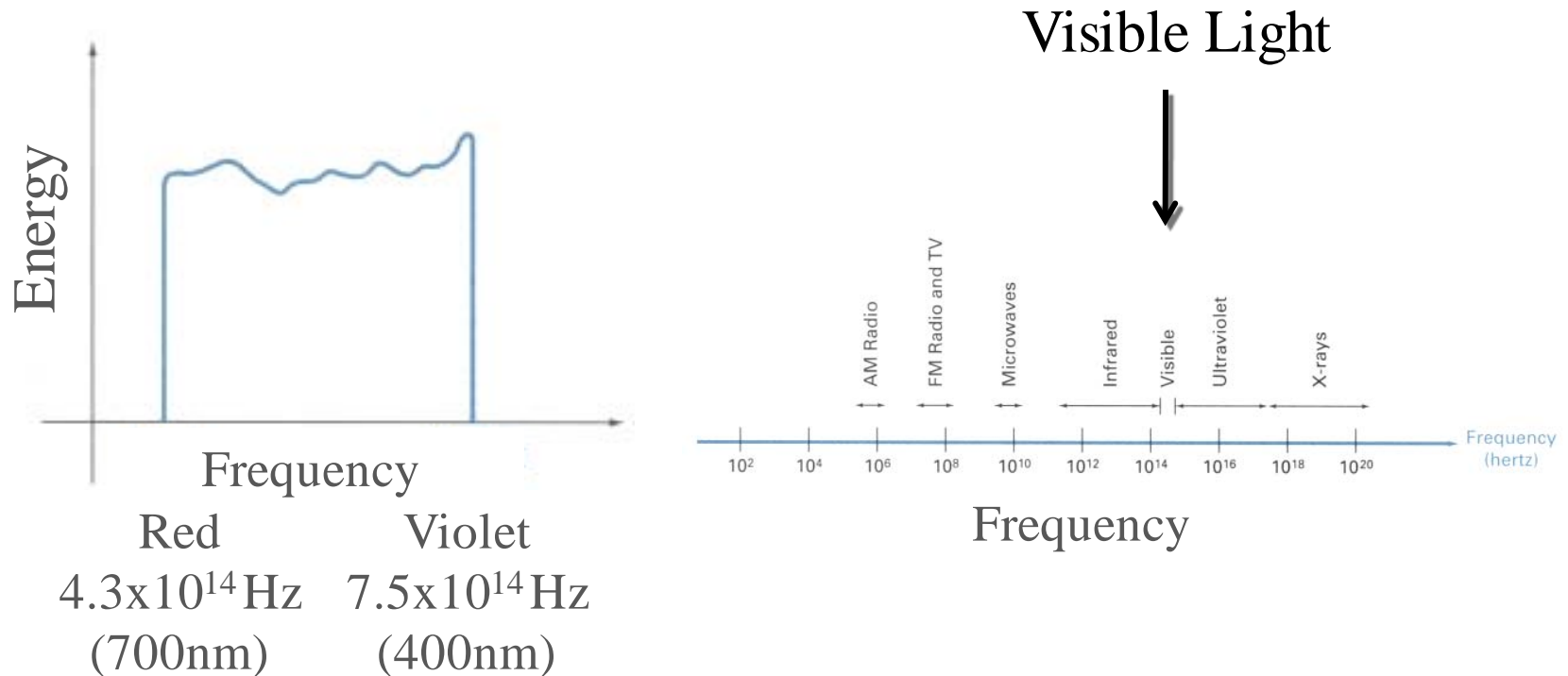
# What is a Color?





# What is a Color?

- One definition is a distribution of energies amongst frequencies in the visible light range

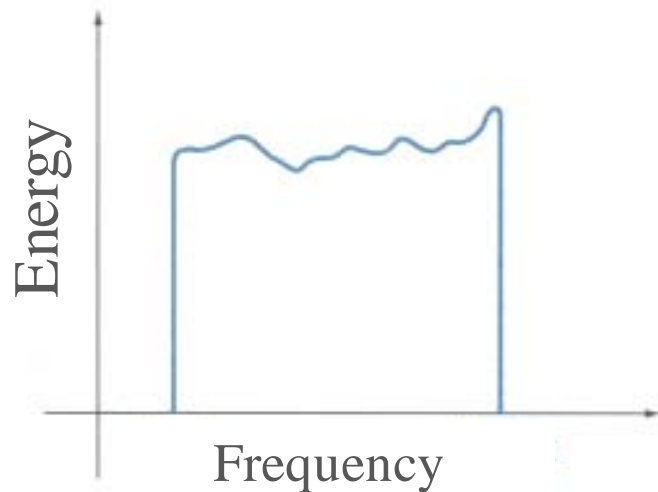


Figures 15.1,3 from H&B

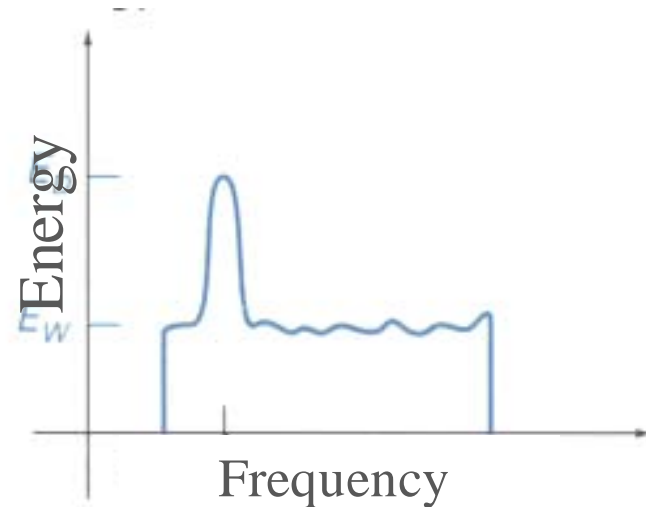


# Visible Light

- The color of light is characterized by ...
  - Hue = dominant frequency (highest peak)
  - Lightness = luminance (area under curve)
  - Saturation = excitation purity (ratio of highest to rest)



White Light



Orange Light

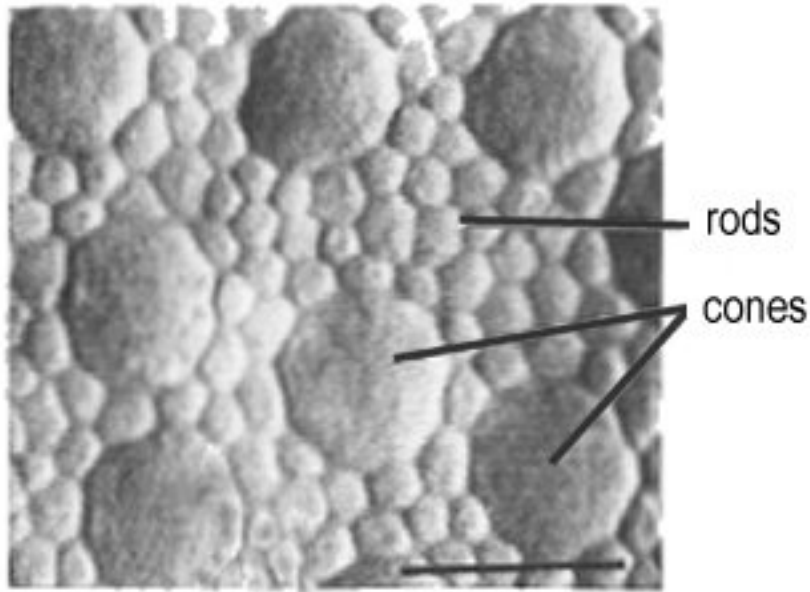
# How Do We Perceive Color?



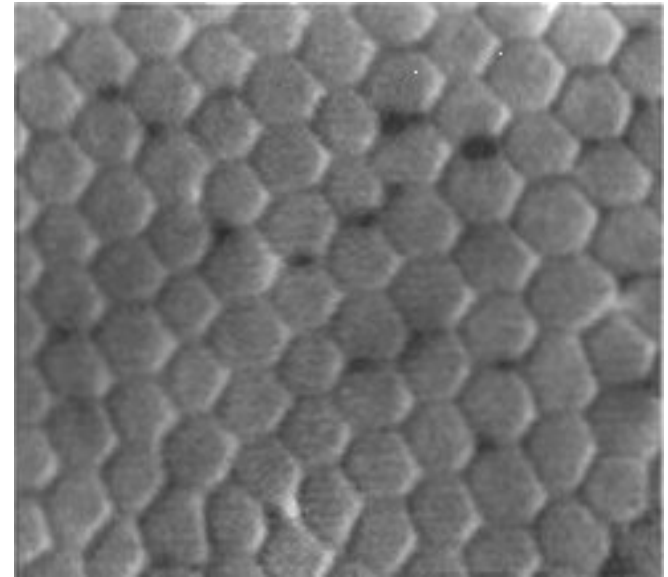
# Modern Understanding of Color



- Two types of receptors: rods and **cones**

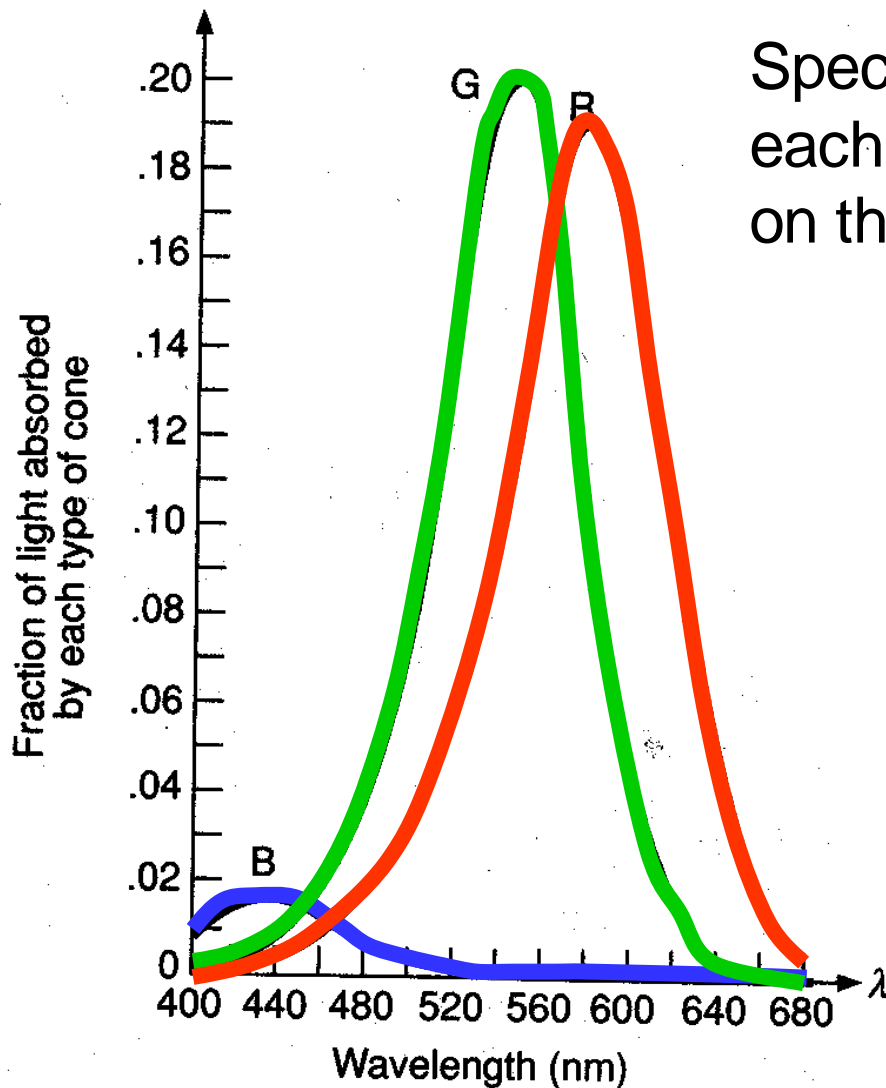


Rods and cones



Cones in fovea

# Color Perception



Spectral-response functions of each of the three types of cones on the human retina.

Figure 13.18 from FvDFH



# Representing Colors in a Computer

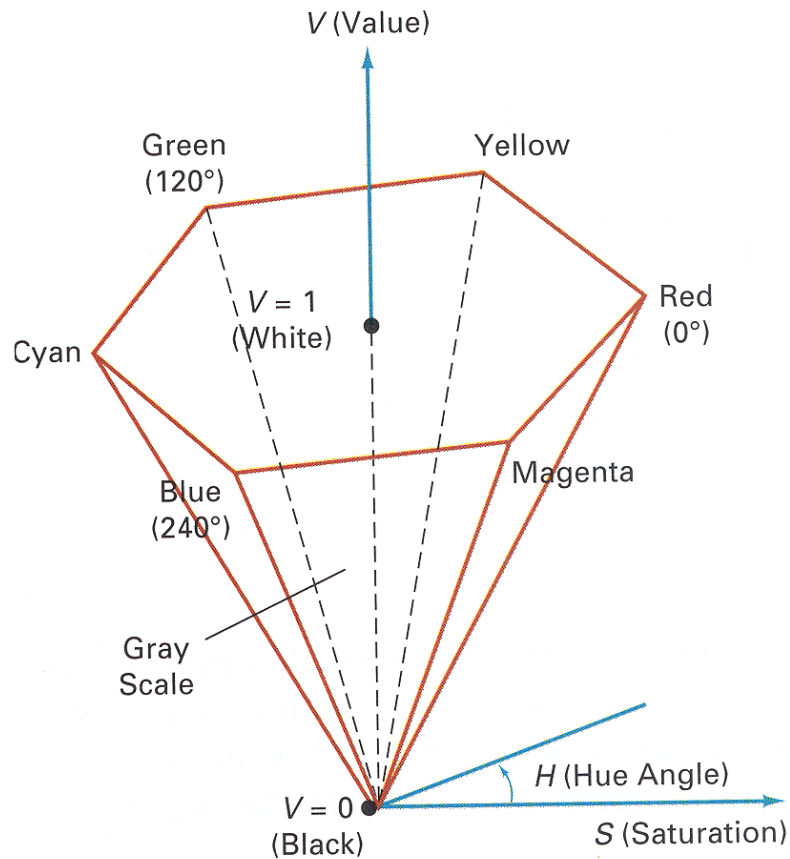


- Common color models
  - HLS
  - HSV
  - RGB
  - XYZ
  - CMY
  - Others

Tristimulus  
theory of color



# HLS & HSV Color Models



HSV Color Cone




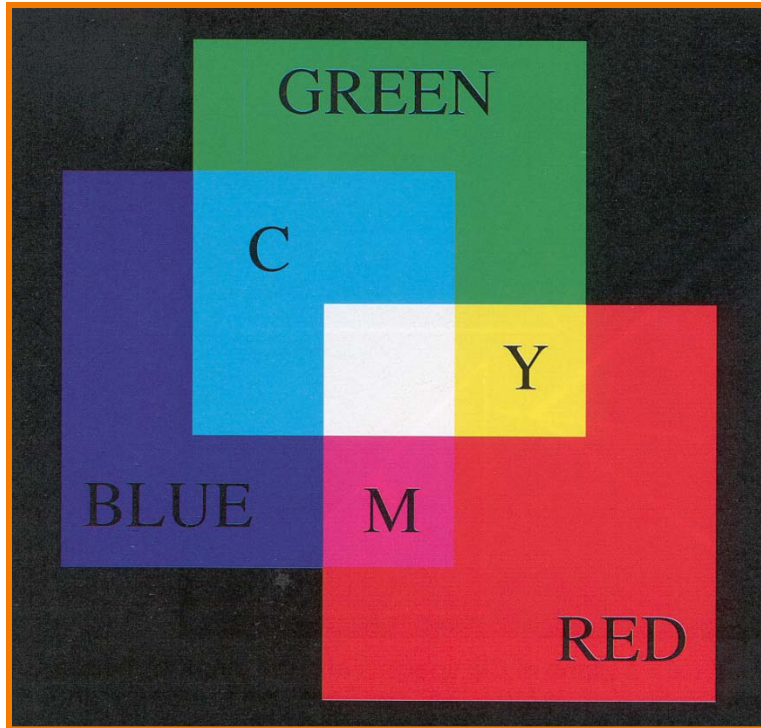
<b>H</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>Color</b>
0	1.0	1.0	Red
120	1.0	1.0	Green
240	1.0	1.0	Blue
*	0.0	1.0	White
*	0.0	0.5	Gray
*	*	0.0	Black
60	1.0	1.0	
270	0.5	1.0	
270	0.0	0.7	





Figure 15.16&15.17 from H&B



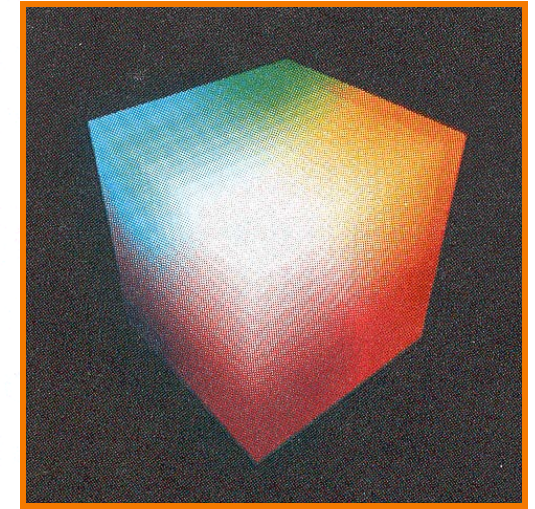
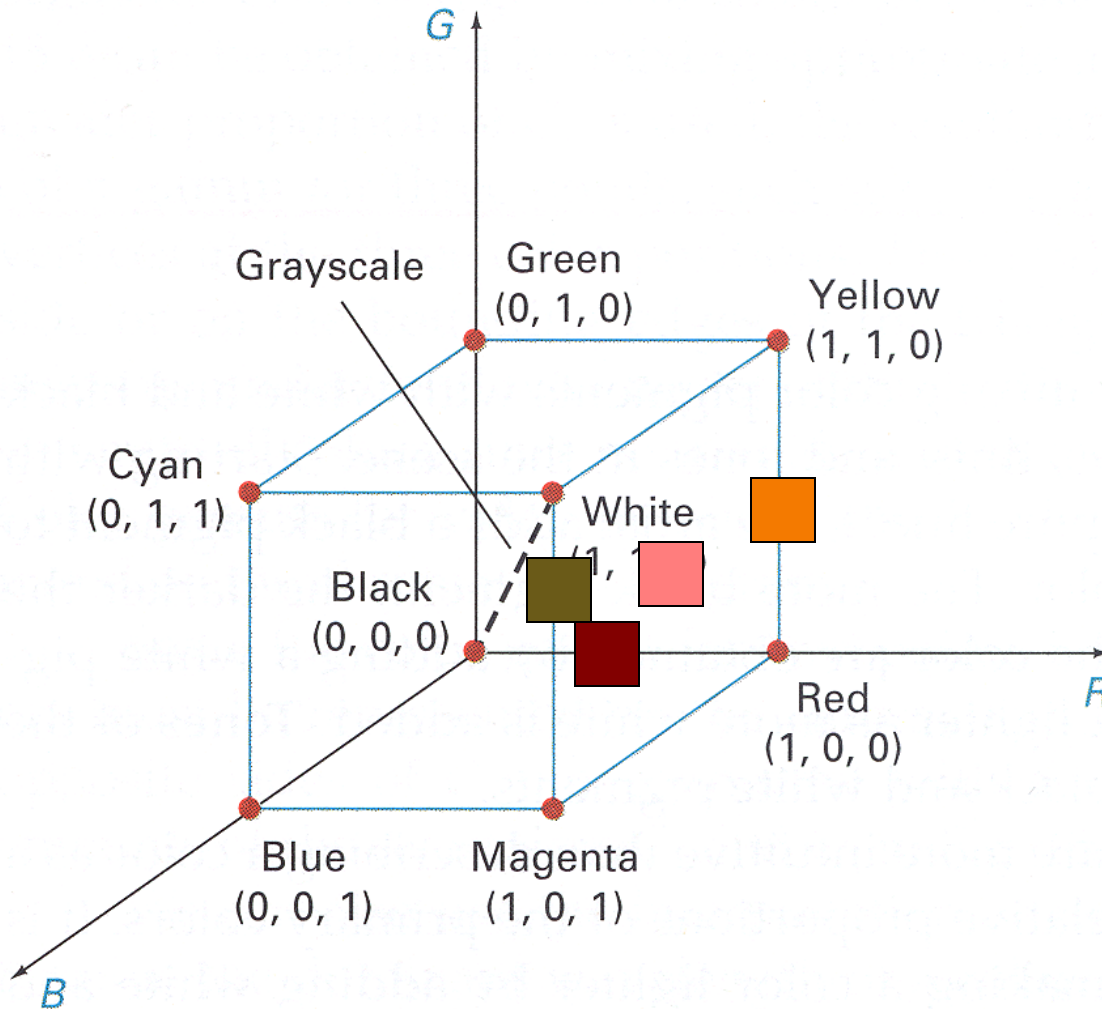
# RGB Color Model



Colors are additive

<b>R</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>Color</b>
0.0	0.0	0.0	Black
1.0	0.0	0.0	Red
0.0	1.0	0.0	Green
0.0	0.0	1.0	Blue
1.0	1.0	0.0	Yellow
1.0	0.0	1.0	Magenta
0.0	1.0	1.0	Cyan
1.0	1.0	1.0	White
0.5	0.0	0.0	? 
1.0	0.5	0.5	? 
1.0	0.5	0.0	? 
0.5	0.3	0.1	? 

# RGB Color Cube



Figures 15.11&15.12 from H&B

# RGB Spectral Colors



Amounts of RGB primaries needed to display spectral colors

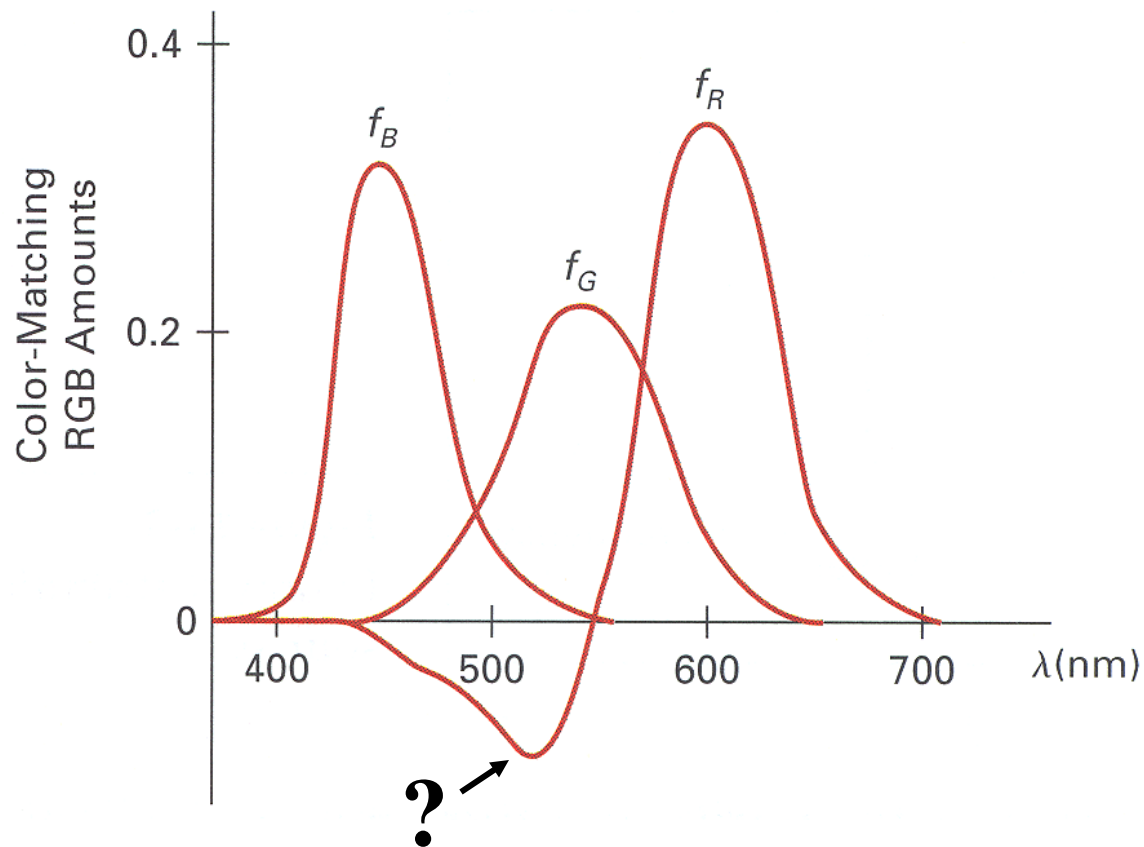


Figure 15.5 from H&B

# XYZ Color Model (CIE)



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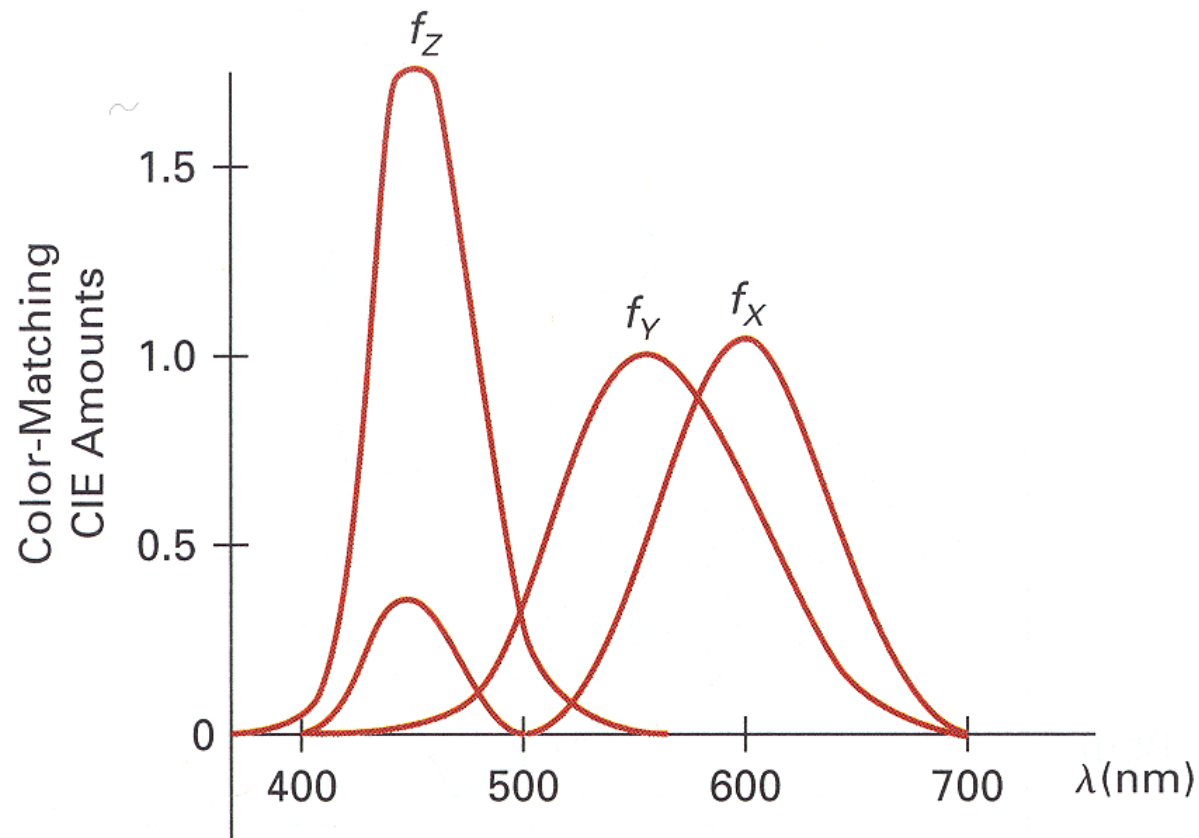


Figure 15.6 from H&B

# CIE Chromaticity Diagram



Normalized amounts of X and Y for colors in visible spectrum

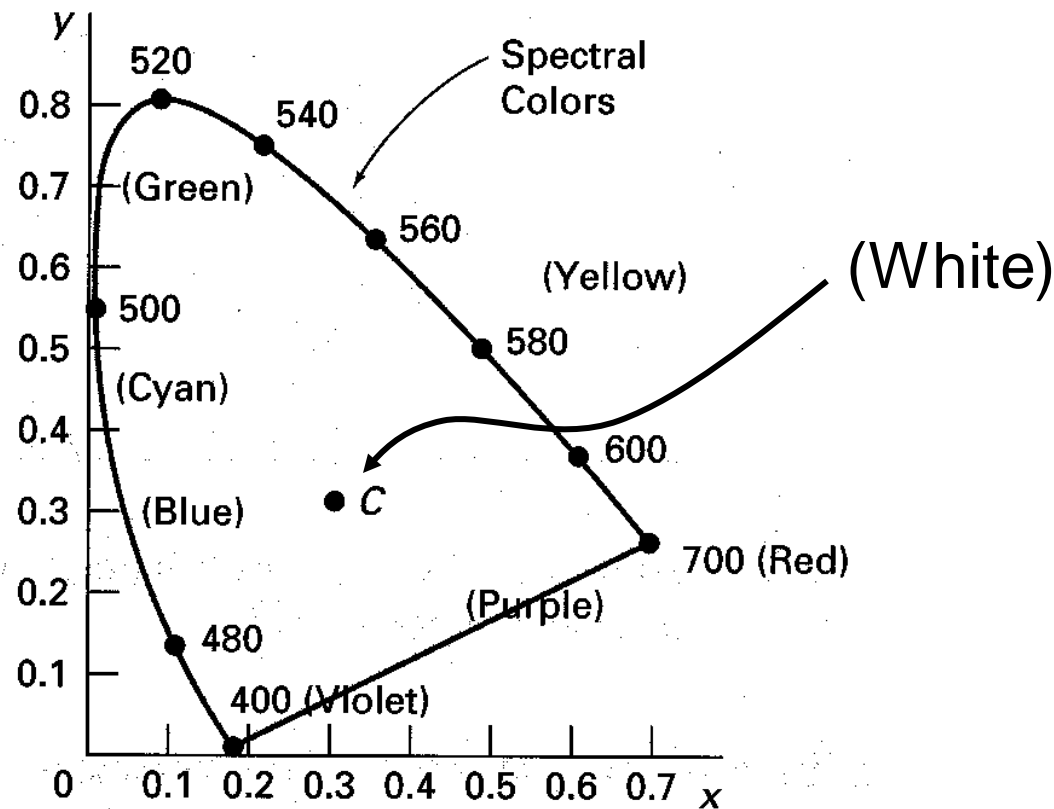
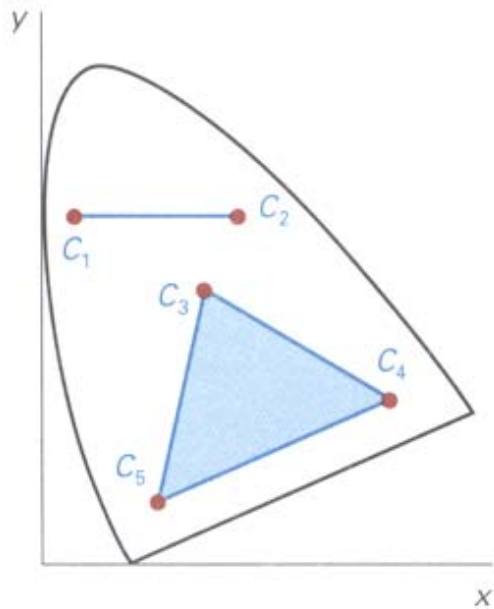
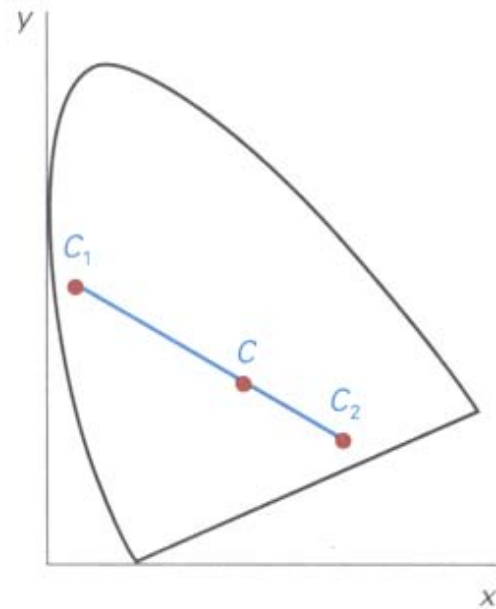


Figure 15.7 from H&B

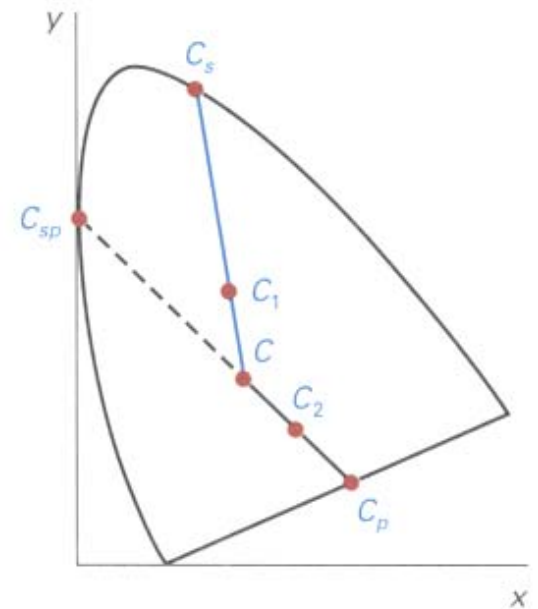
# CIE Chromaticity Diagram



Compare  
Color  
Gamuts



Identify  
Complementary  
Colors



Determine  
Dominant Wavelength  
and Purity





# RGB Color Gamut

Color gamut for a typical RGB computer monitor

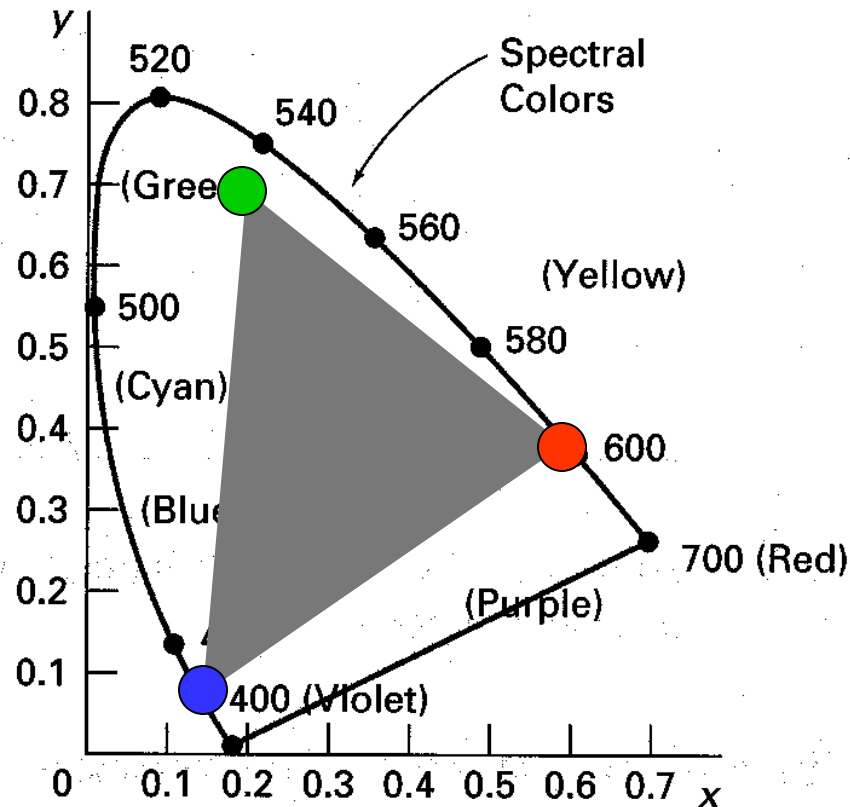
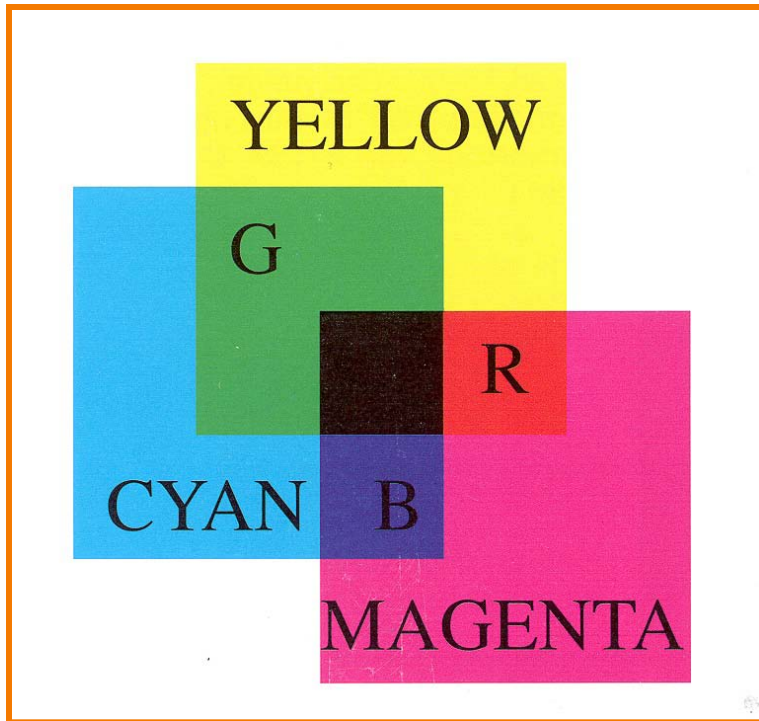





Figure 15.13 from H&B

# CMY Color Model



Colors are subtractive

C	M	Y	Color
0.0	0.0	0.0	White
1.0	0.0	0.0	Cyan
0.0	1.0	0.0	Magenta
0.0	0.0	1.0	Yellow
1.0	1.0	0.0	Blue
1.0	0.0	1.0	Green
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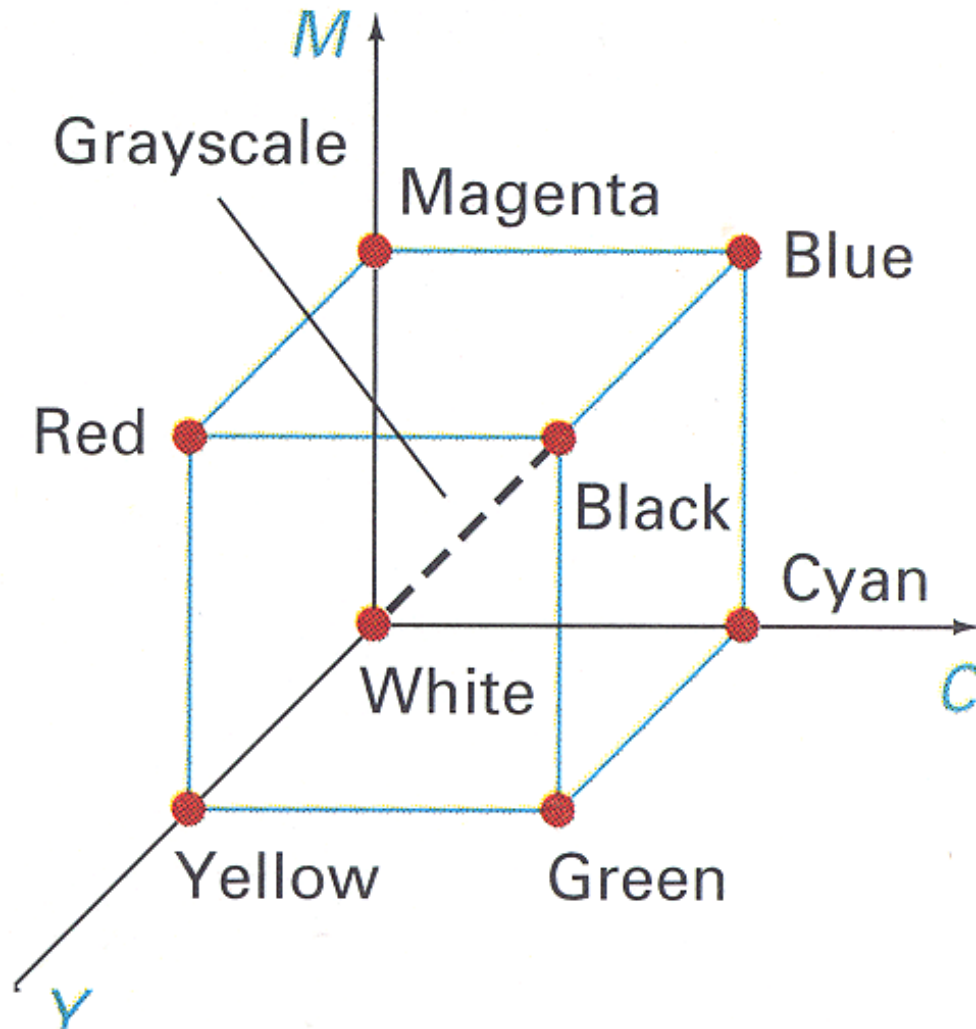


Figure 15.14 from H&B

# Summary



- Images
  - Pixels are samples
  - Frame buffers
  - Display hardware (CRTs, LCDs, printers, etc.)
  - Devices have limited resolution
- Colors
  - Spectrum across visible light frequencies
  - Tristimulus theory of color
  - CIE Chromaticity Diagram
  - Different color models for different devices, uses, etc.