

# Decomposition and Acquisition of Light Transport under Spatially Varying Lighting

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# Distant illumination

Light is distant and diffuse at the scene

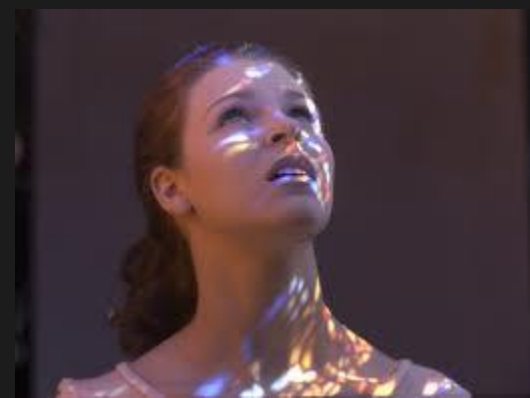
- Angular variation at the scene
- Little/no spatial variation



# Spatially varying illumination

Light focuses on the scene

- Spatial variation at the scene
- Small range of angles



# Examples

## Many applications

- Structured light
- Image/video projection
- Augmented Reality



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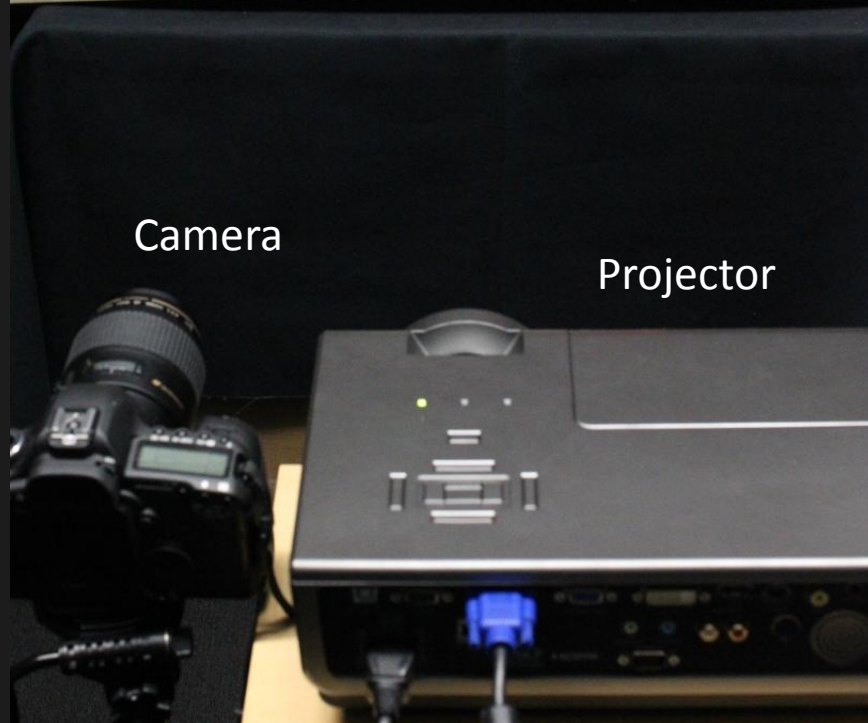
# Projector-camera system

Diffuse scene



Camera

Projector



# Light transport

Input: projector pattern Output: camera image



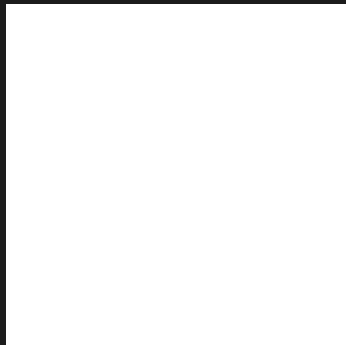
Projector pattern



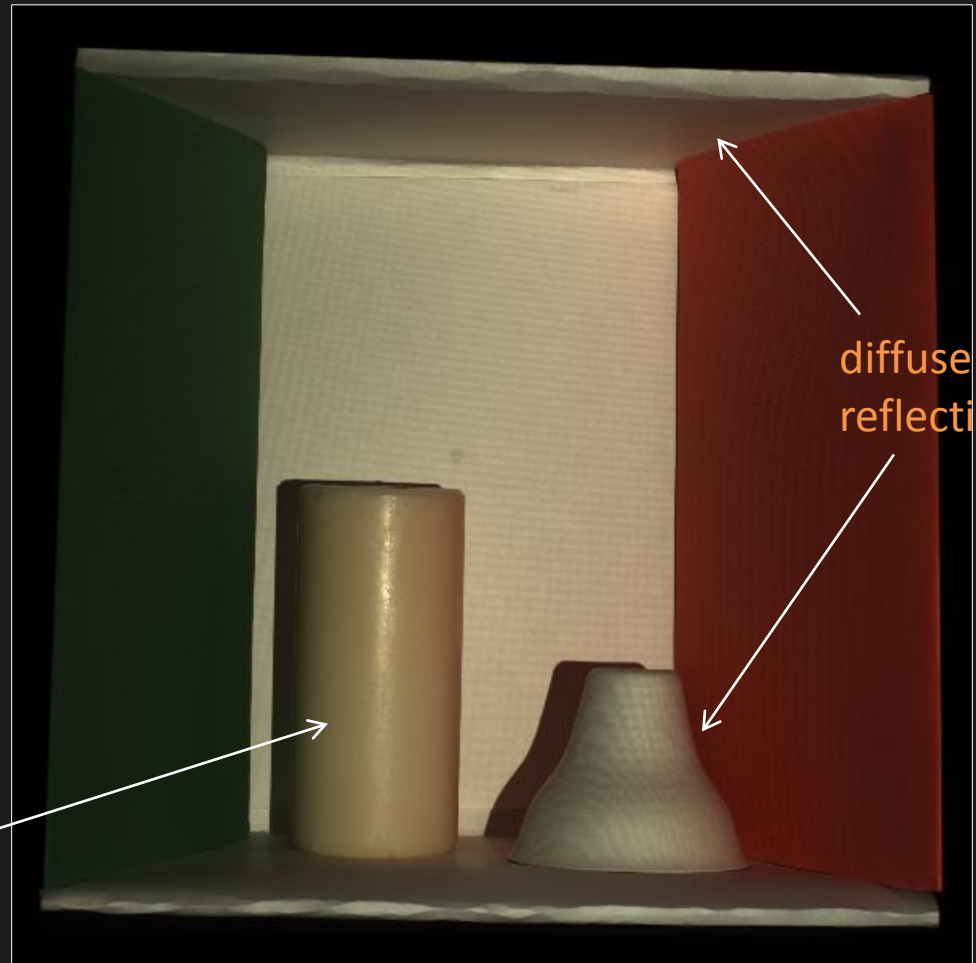
Camera image

# Light transport

Diffuse scene: subsurface scattering, interreflection



Projector pattern

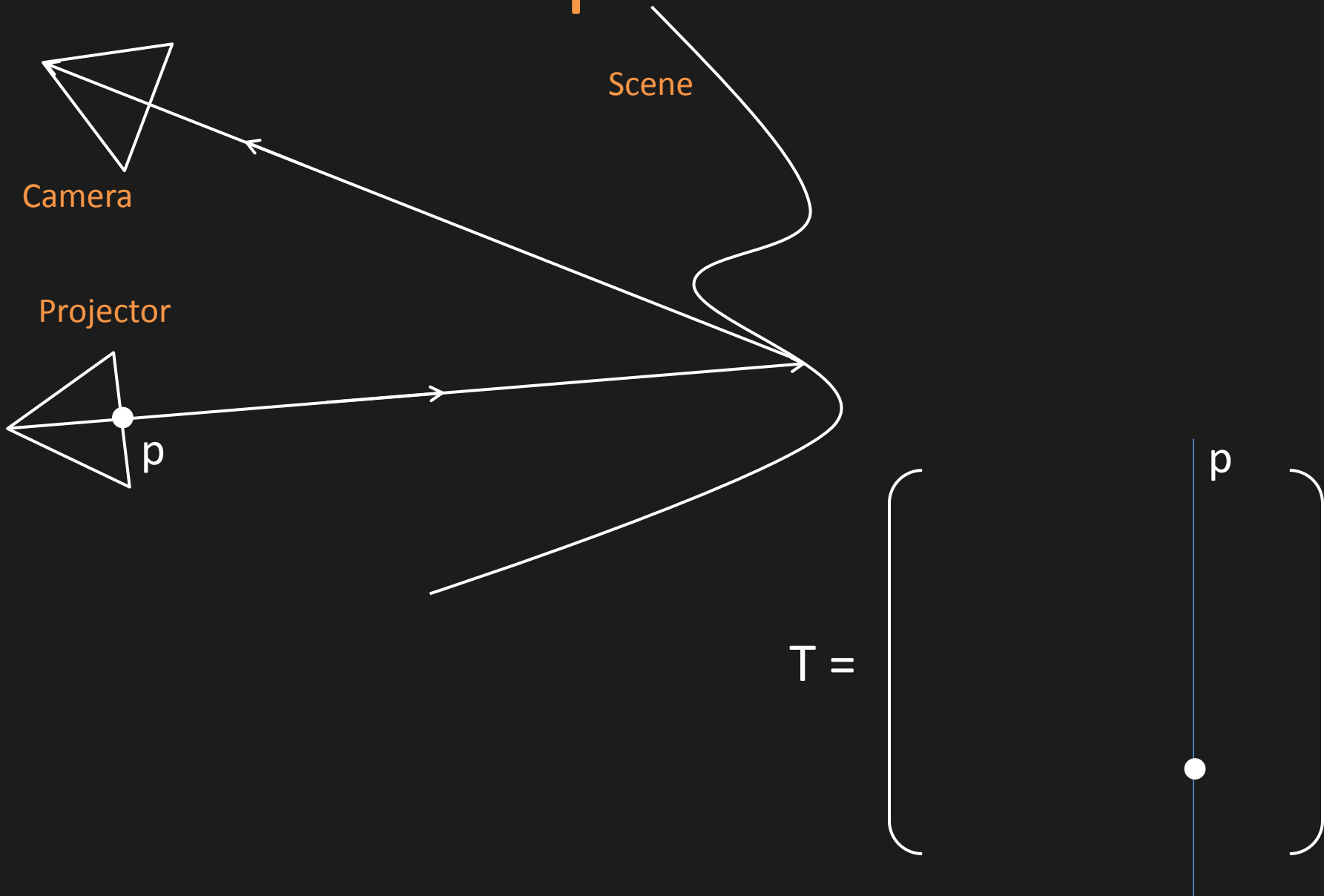


subsurface scattering

diffuse inter-reflections

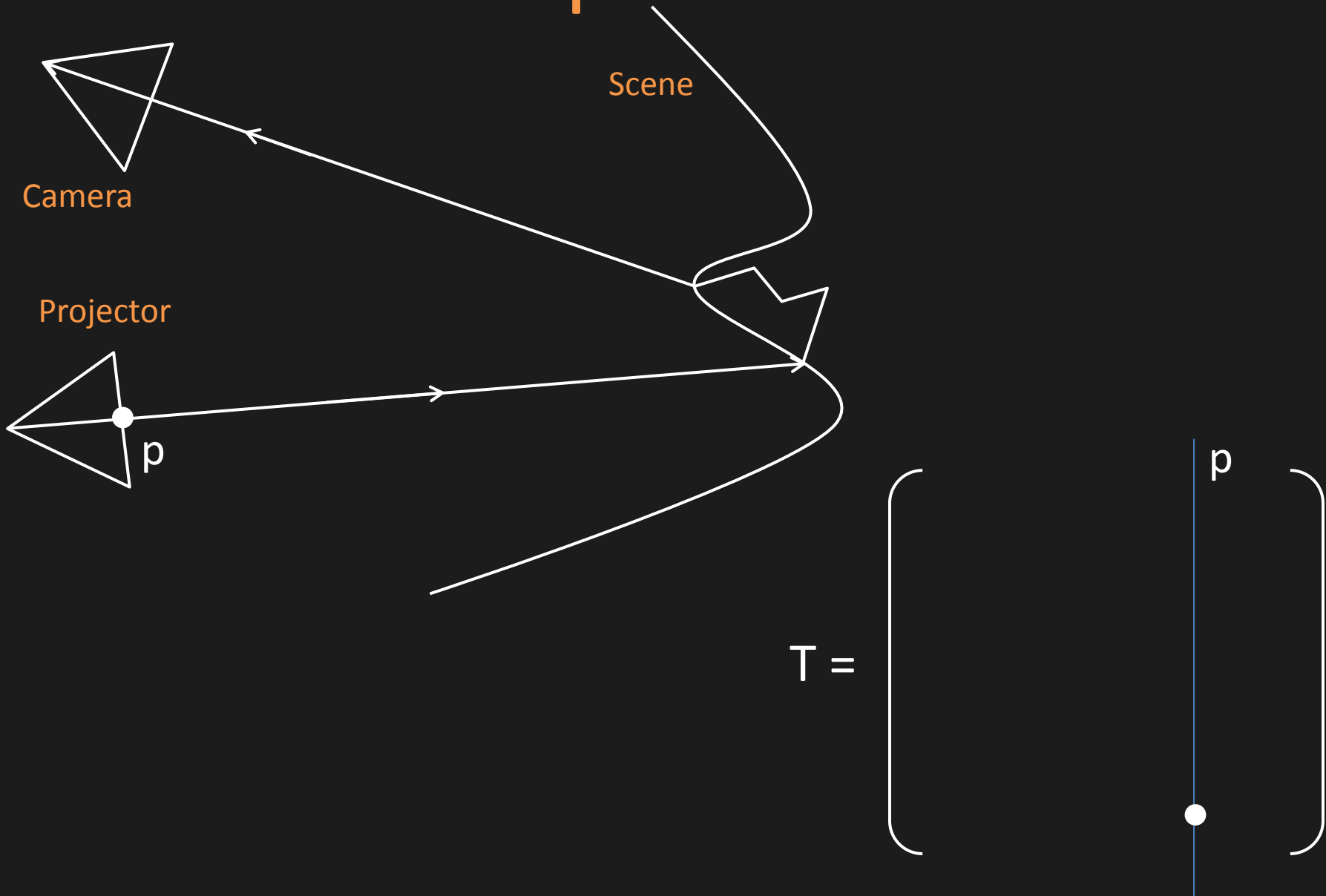
Camera image

# Transport matrix

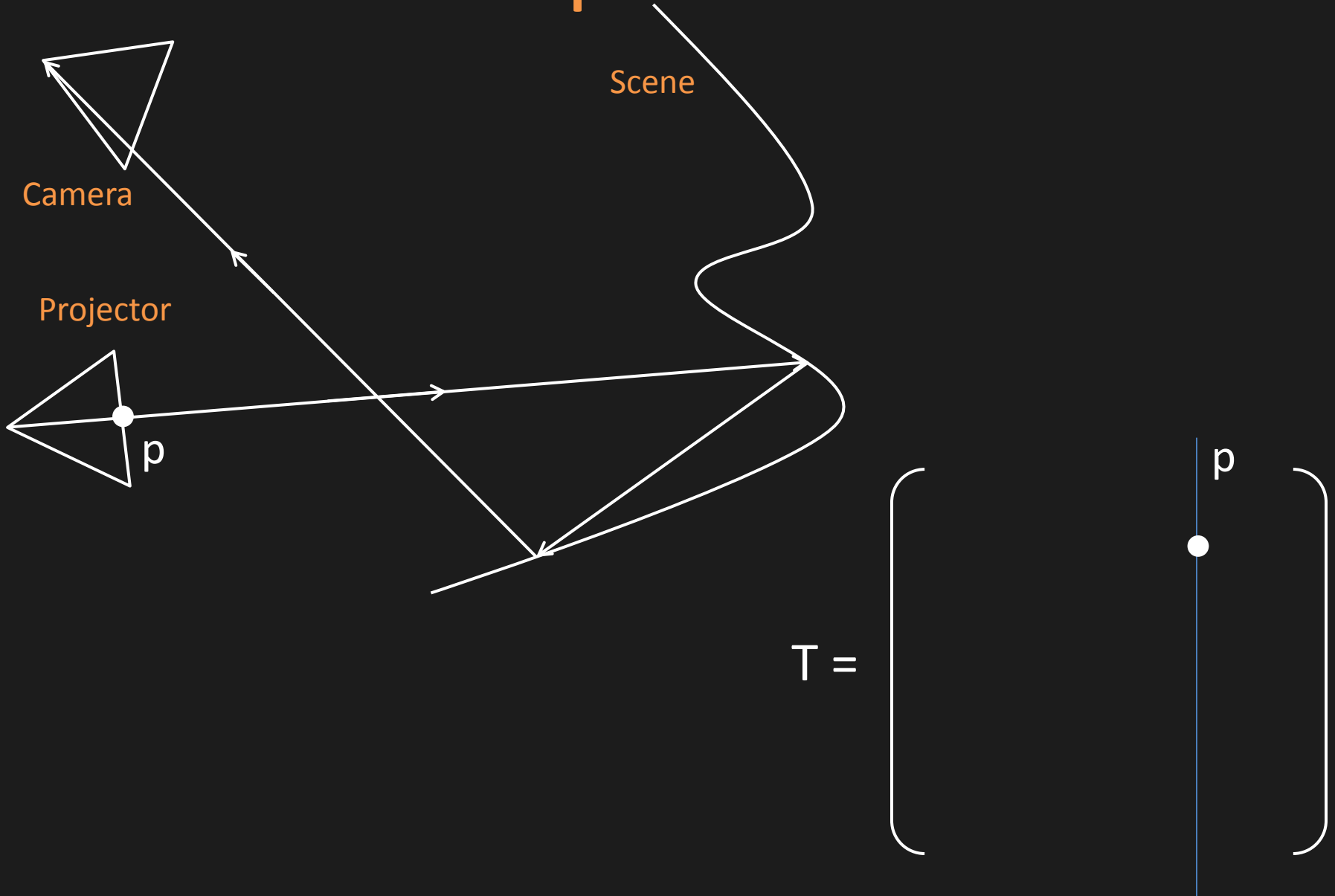




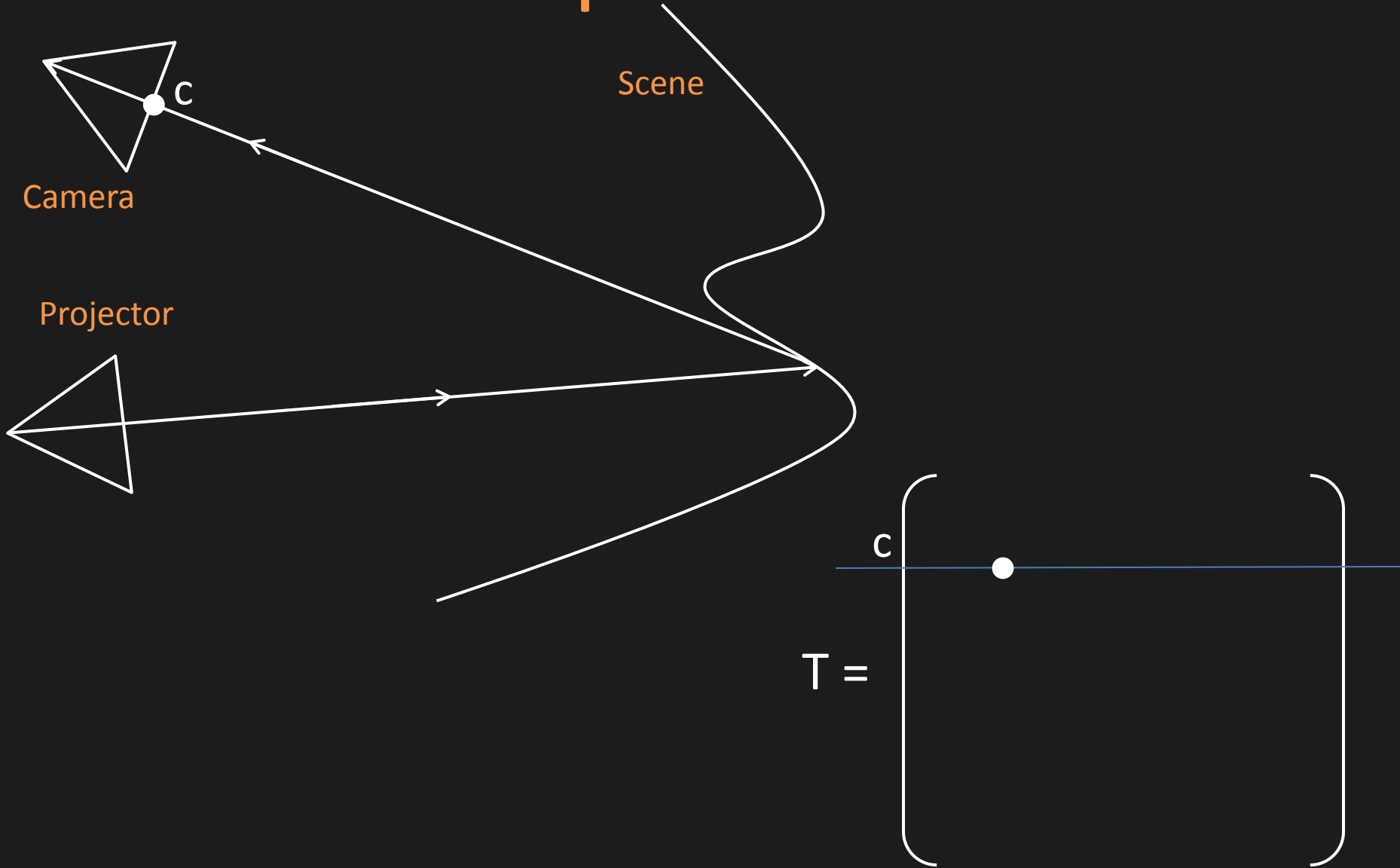
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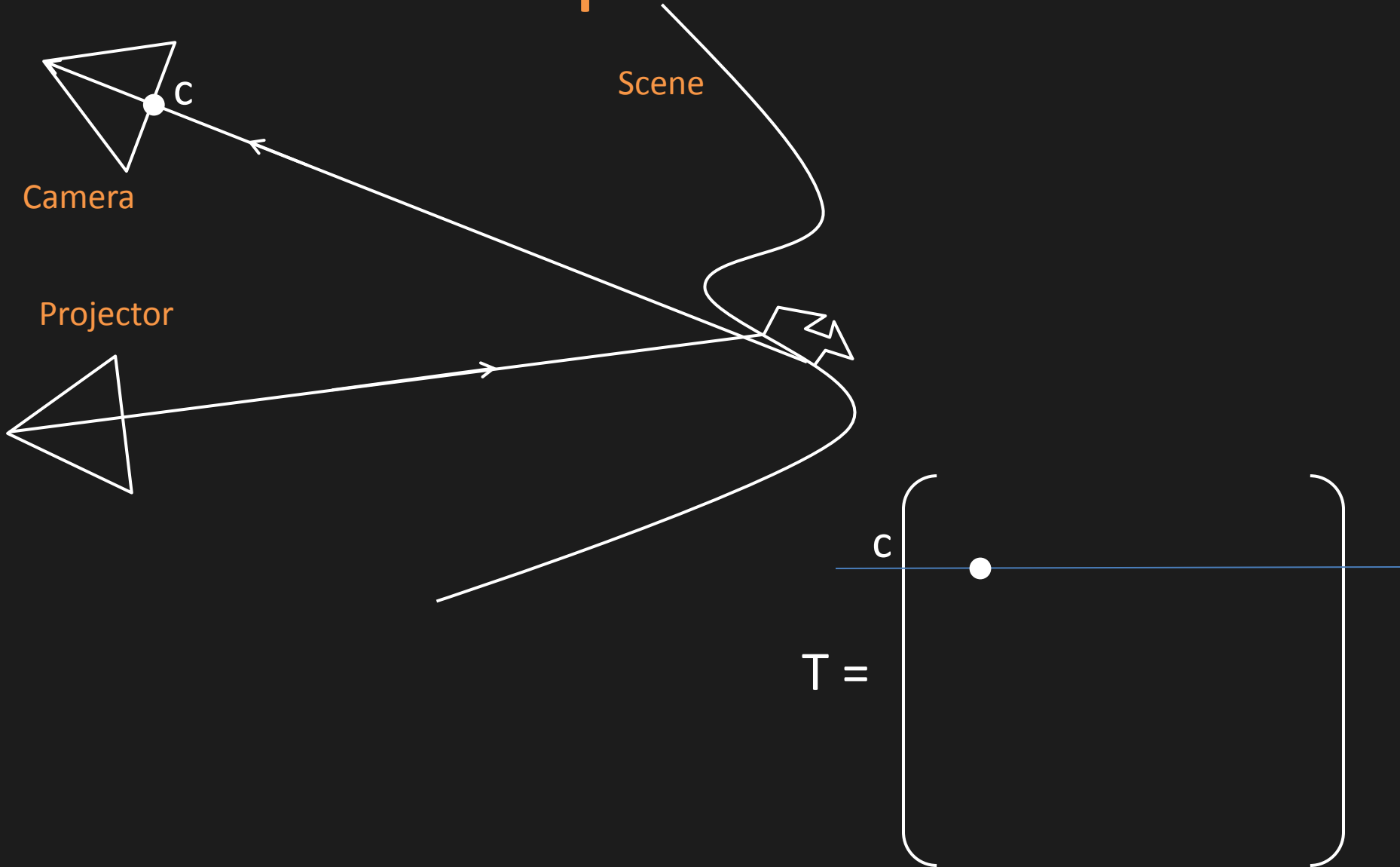
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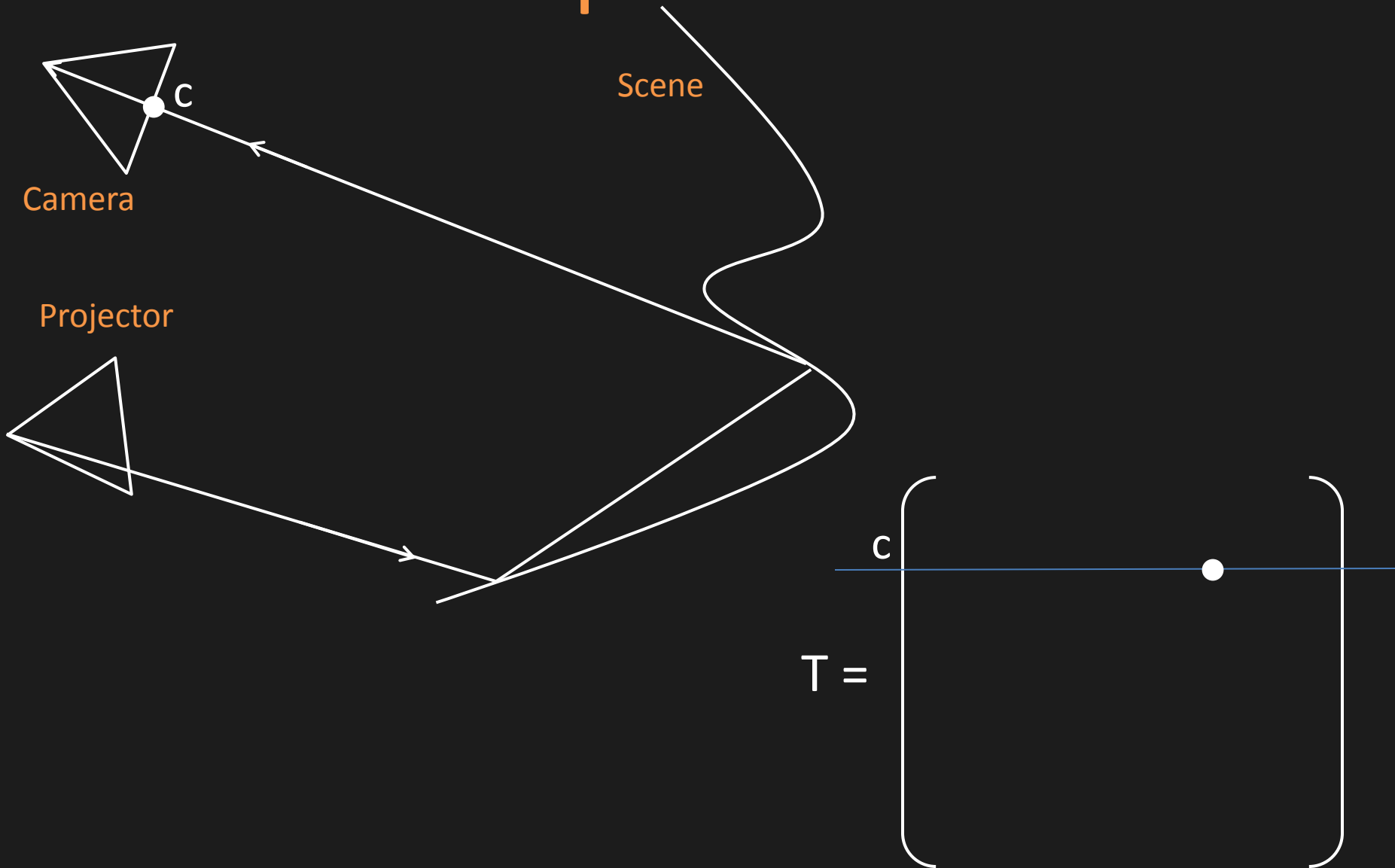
# Transport matrix



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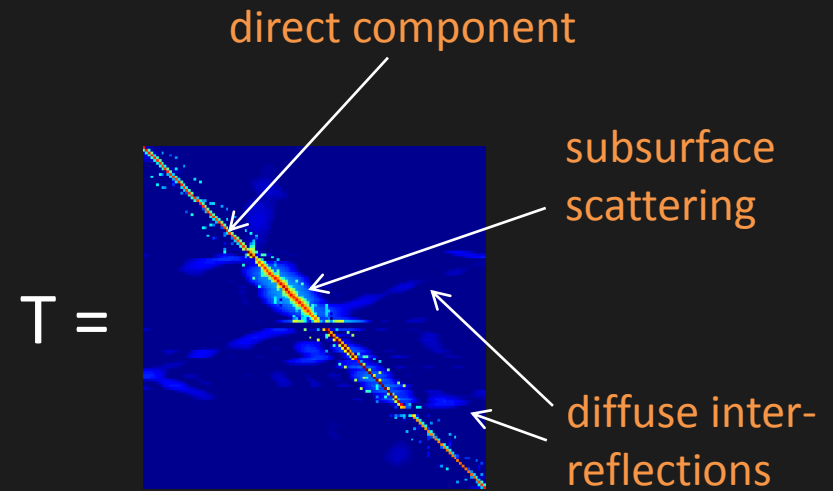
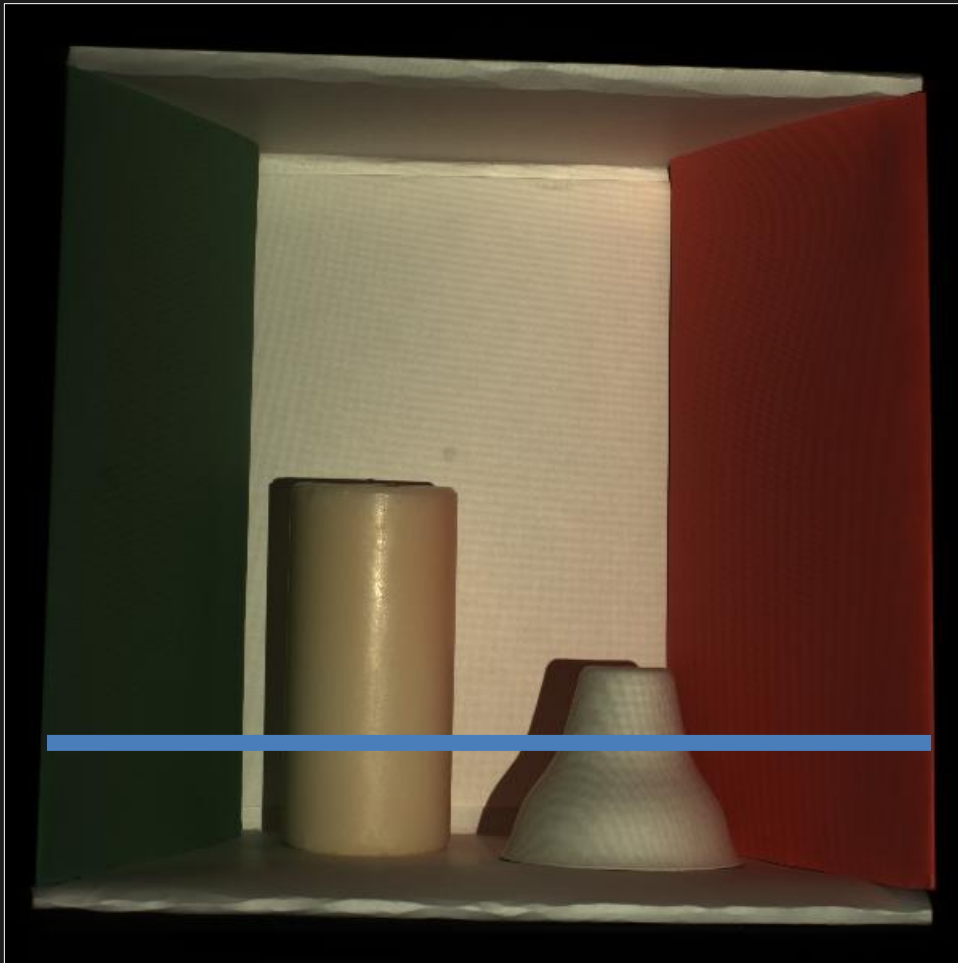


# Transport matrix



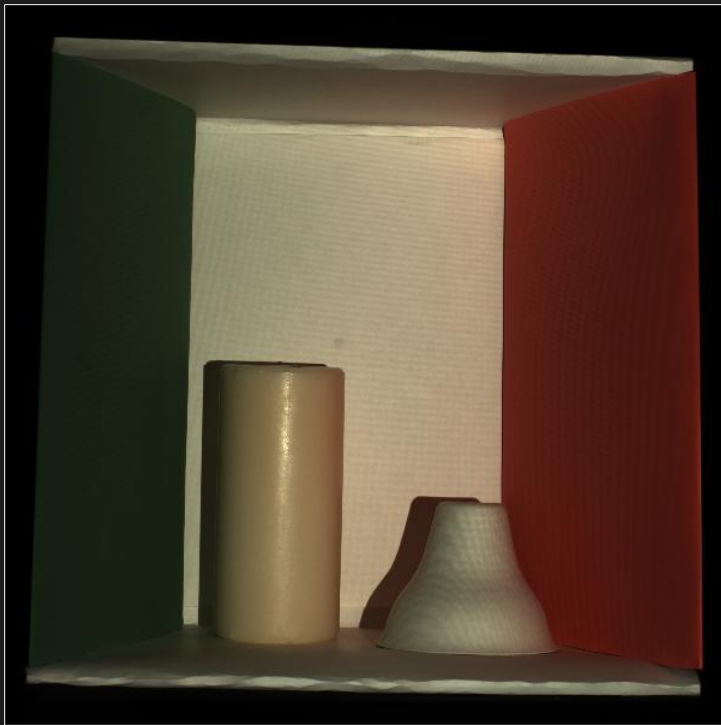
# Transport matrix

2D slice of the 4D light transport at the scanline

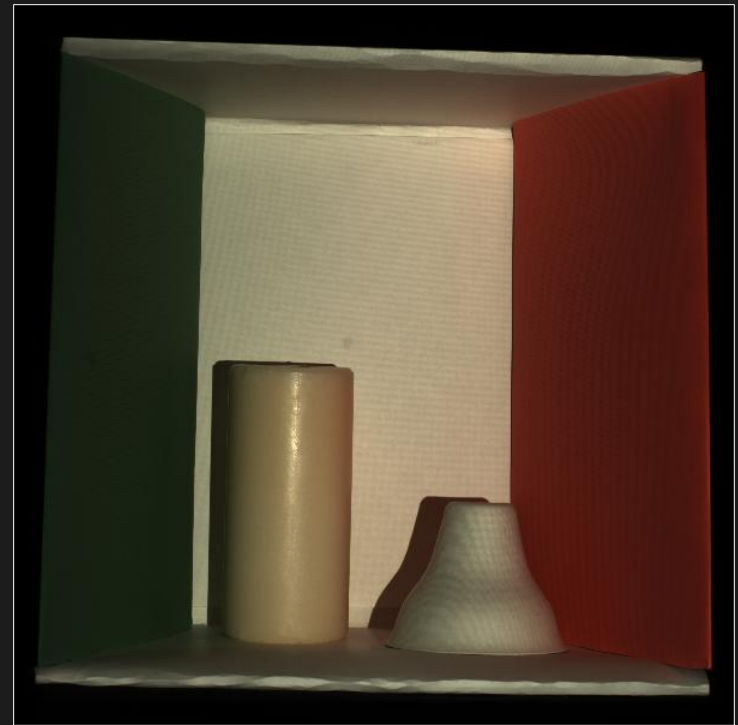


# Acquisition

Acquire 360000 x 16384 matrix with 1060 patterns



Original



Reconstructed

SNR = 27.2 dB

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Original

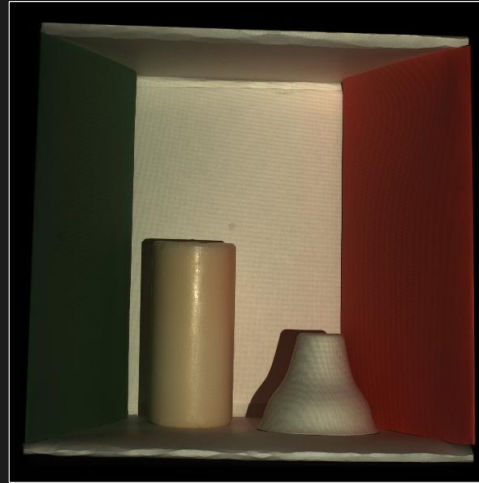


Reconstructed

SNR = 24.7 dB



# Decomposition

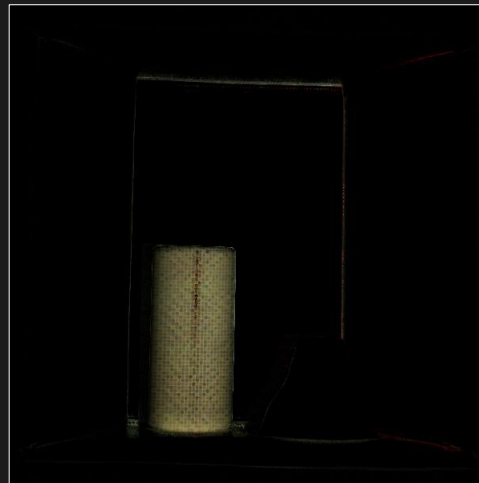


Reconstructed



Direct

+



Near

+



Far

# Decomposition



Reconstructed



Direct

+



Near

+



Far

# Contributions

Decompose light transport into physical components

- Direct, Near Range (subsurface), Far (interreflections)

Efficiently acquire the component transports

- Varying bandwidth in projector's frequency-space
- Use minimal number proposed by the model

# Acquisition and storage

- Distant illumination:
  - transport matrix is locally low-rank
  - Fuchs et al. 2007, Peers et al. 2009
  - Wang et al. 2009, O'Toole et al. 2010
- Spatially varying illumination
  - brute force, ignores diffuse inter-reflections
  - Masselus et al. 2003,
  - Sen et al. 2005, Garg et al. 2006

# Decomposition

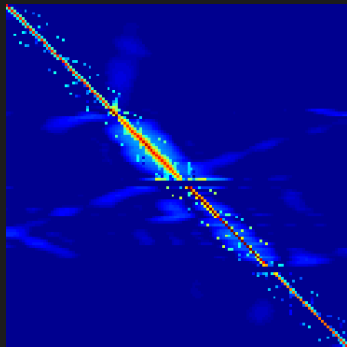
- Direct global separation
  - Nayar et al. 2006
  - separates floodlit images, not light transport
- Component separation
  - O' Toole et al. 2012
  - iterative process for a single image

# Acquisition & Decomposition

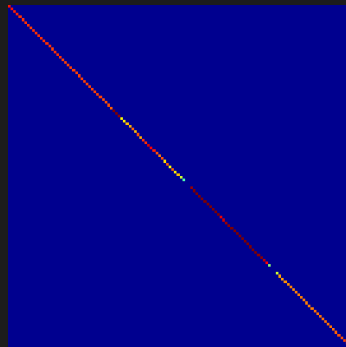
# Transport model

Direct : single bounce (mainly)

- Diagonal matrix, large magnitude



T



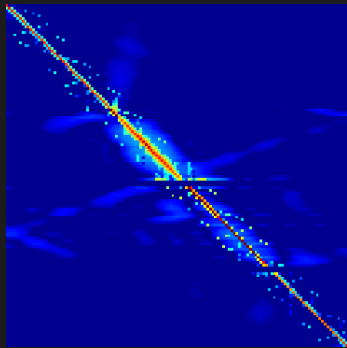
Direct

D

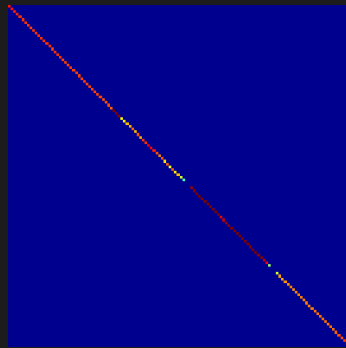
# Transport model

Near-range: subsurface effects, local interreflection

- Banded diagonal matrix, sparse

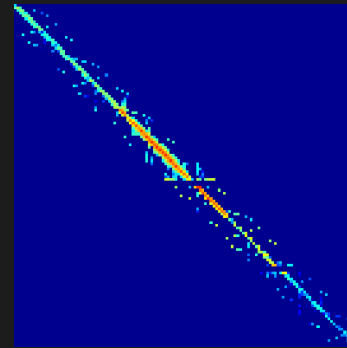


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Direct

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Near-range

N

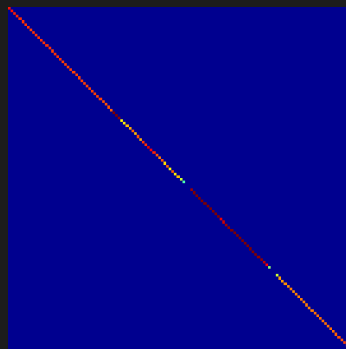
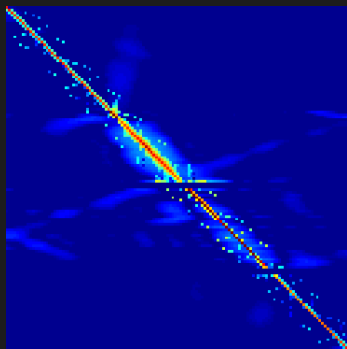
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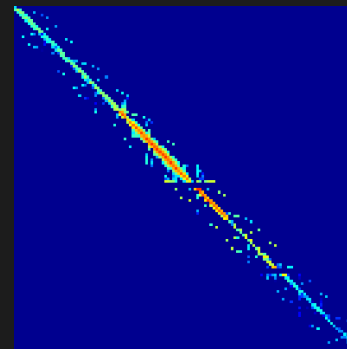
# Transport model

Far-range: diffuse interreflection

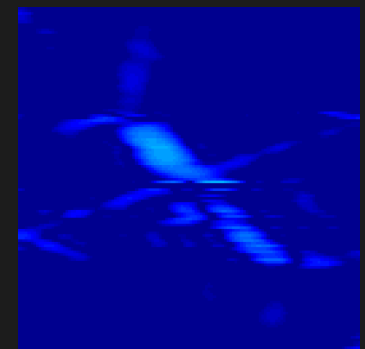
- Dense, small magnitude, low frequency



Direct



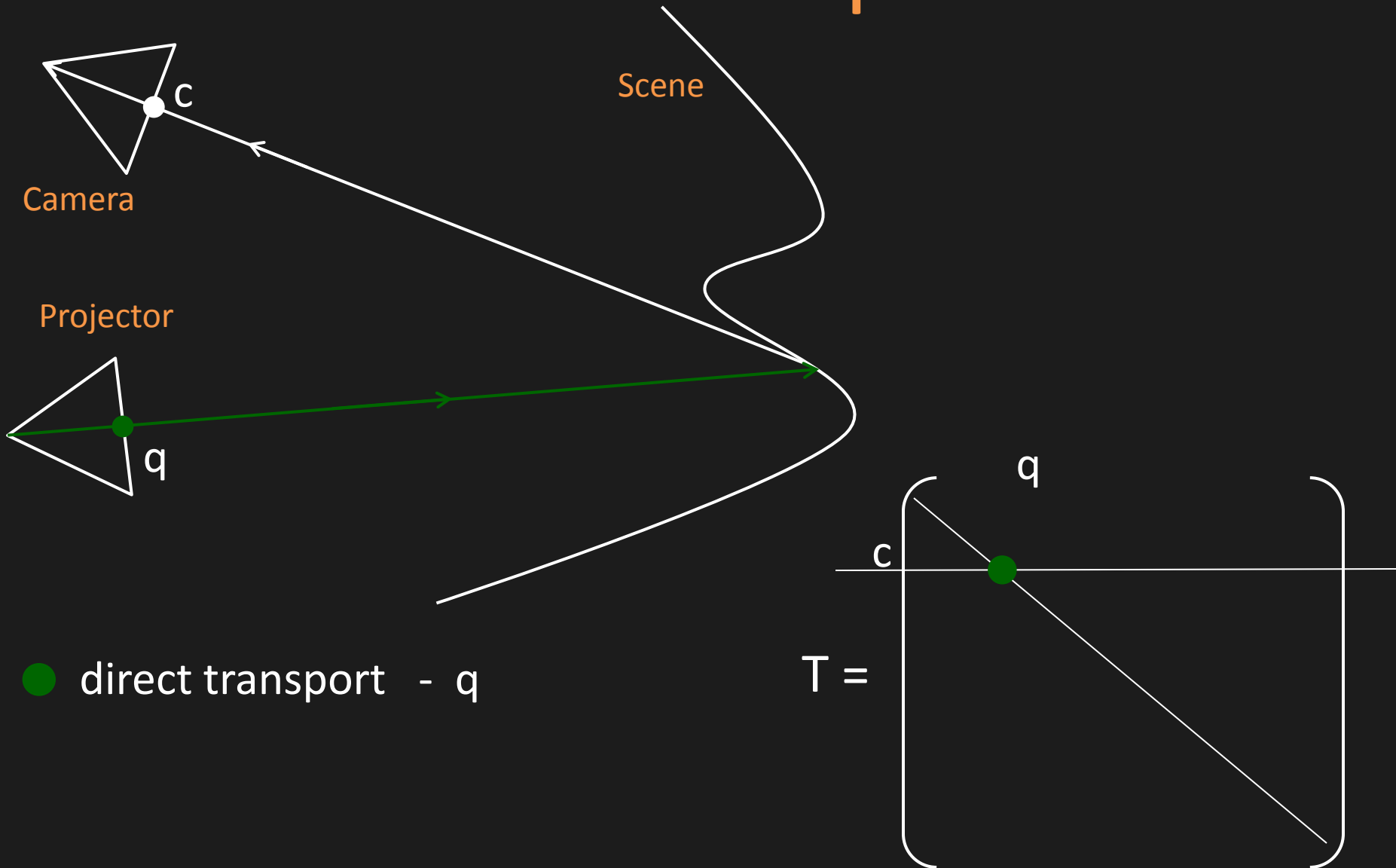
Near-range



Far-range

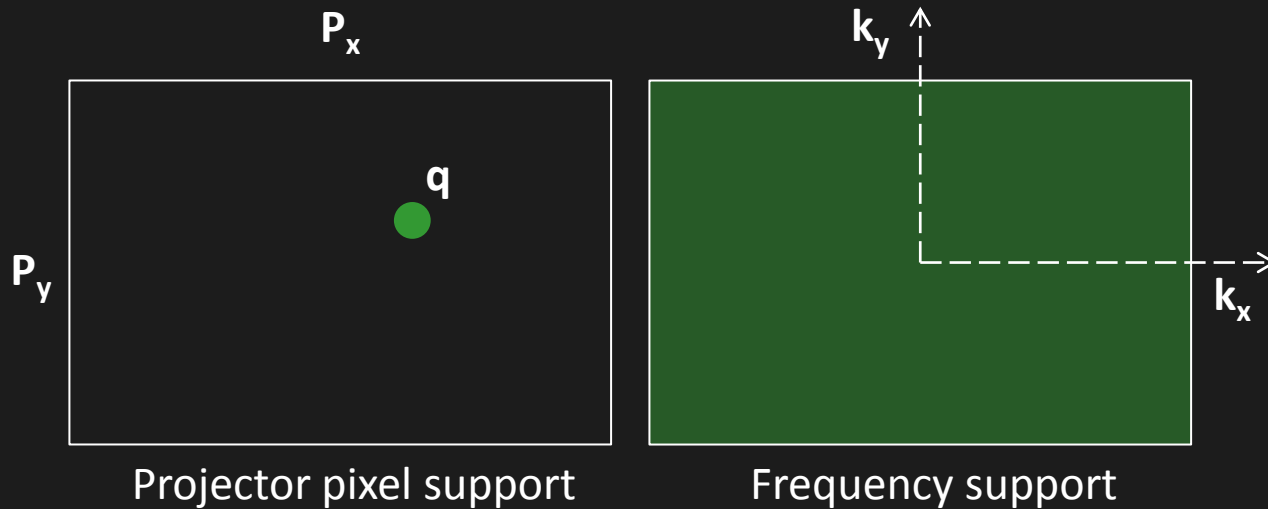
$$T = D + N + F$$

# Direct transport



# Direct transport

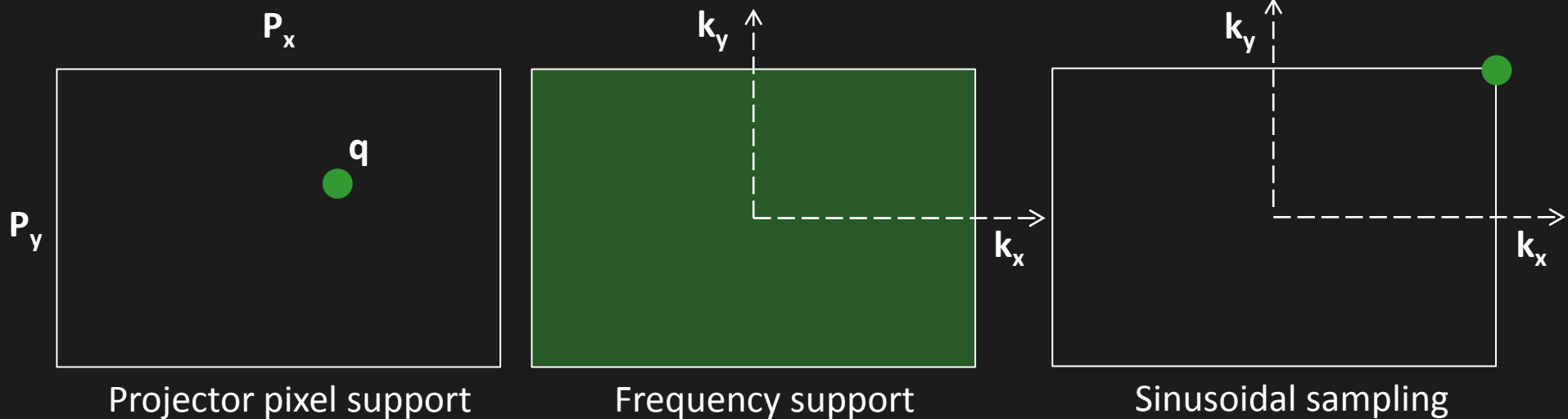
Localized in space – 1 unknown at each camera pixel



■ Direct

# Direct transport

1 high-freq. sinusoidal pattern



■ Direct

# Direct transport

$I_+$

$I_-$

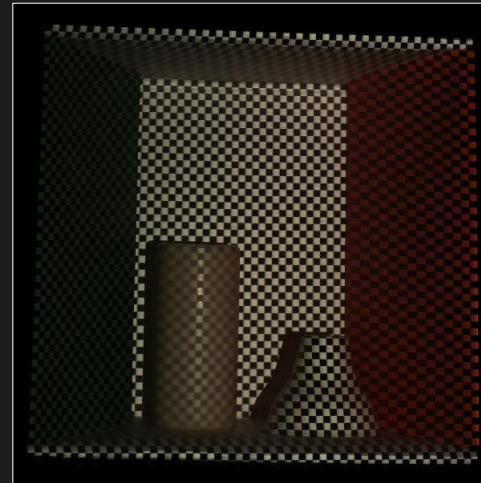
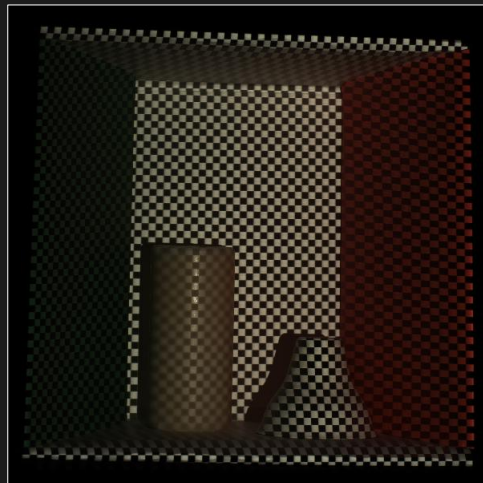
Projector  
pattern



$b_+$

$b_-$

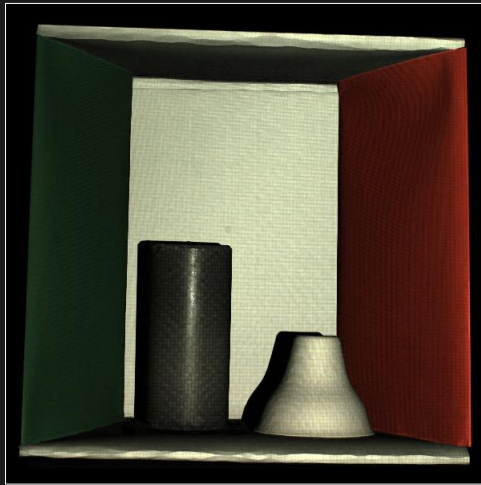
Camera  
image



# Direct transport

$$\frac{b_+ - b_-}{l_+ - l_-}$$

Compute

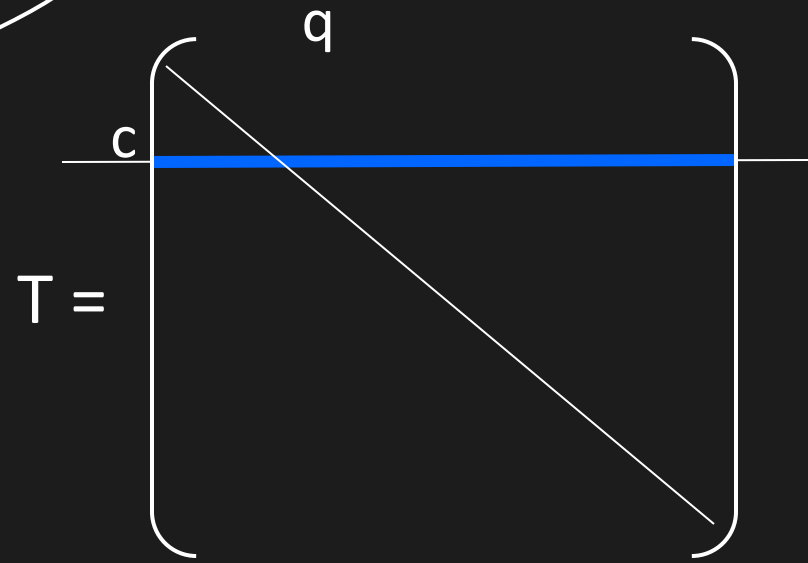
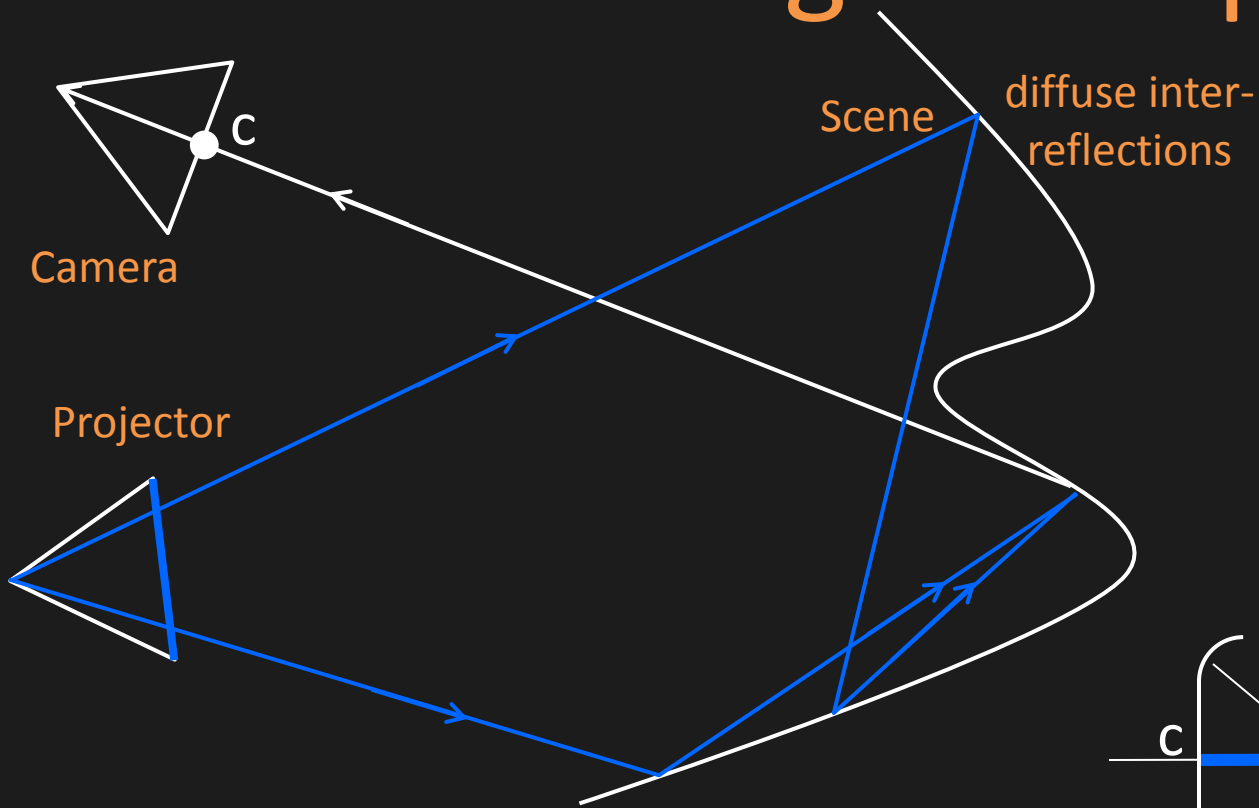


Direct



Global

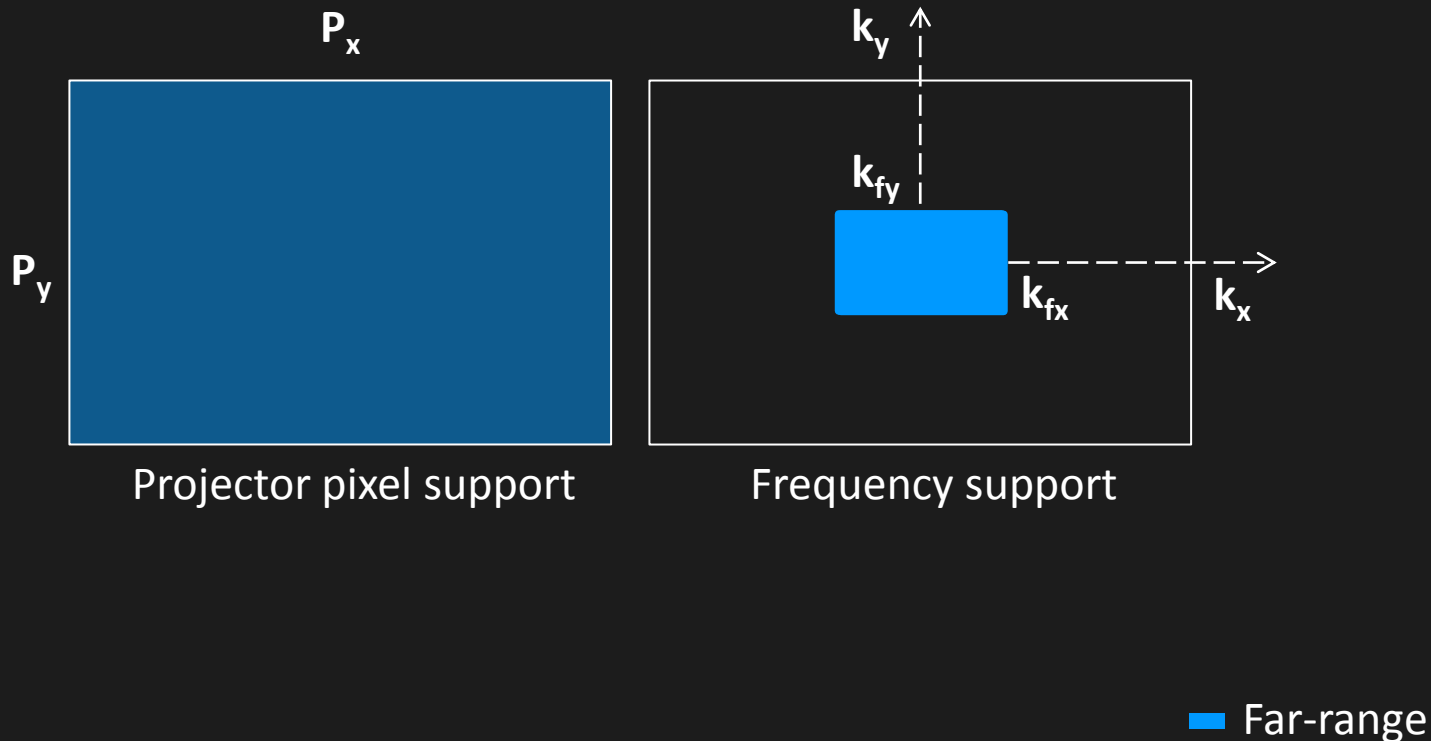
# Far-range transport



— far-range transport -  $[0, P-1]$

# Far-range transport

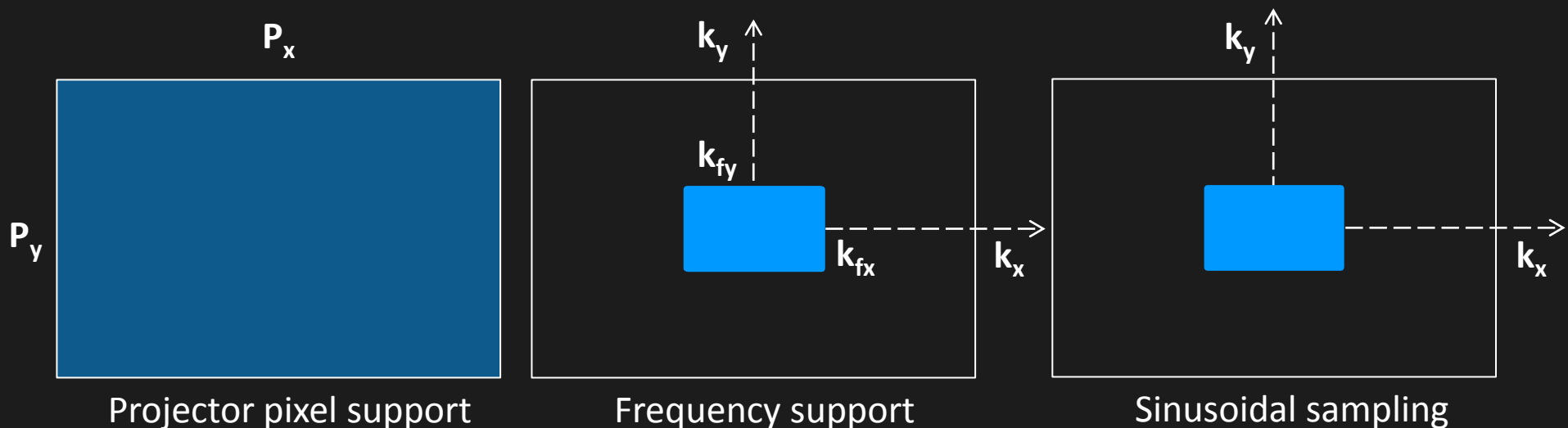
Localized in frequency –  $4k_{fx}k_{fy}$  unknowns





# Far-range transport

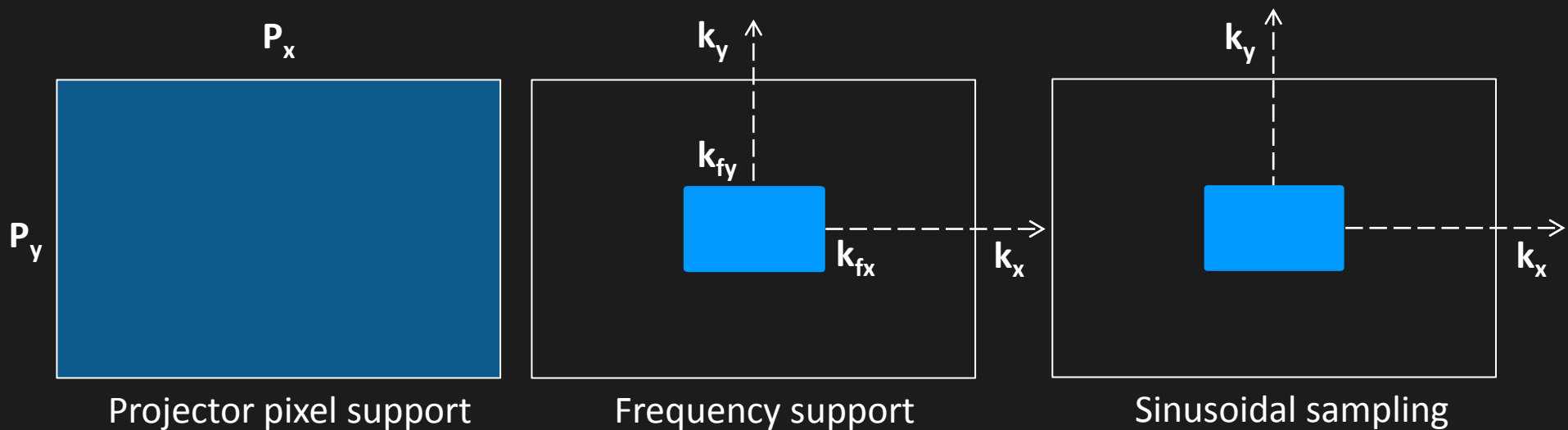
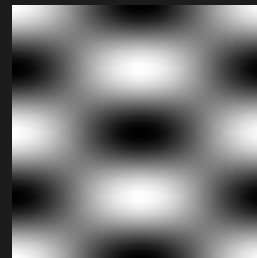
Use all  $4k_{fx}k_{fy}$  sinusoidal patterns for measurement



■ Far-range

# Far-range transport

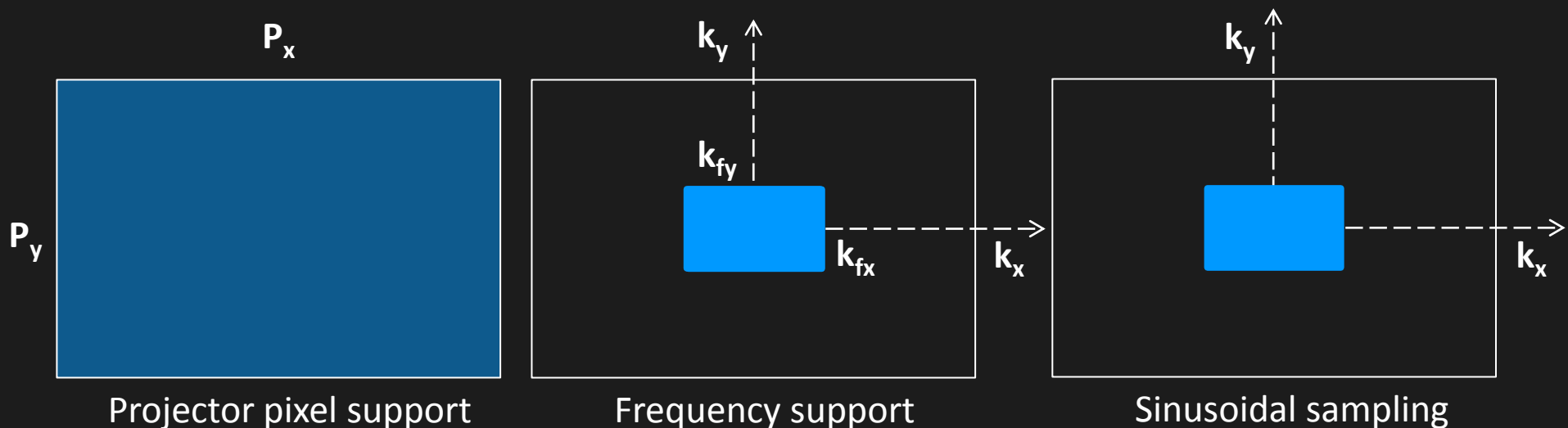
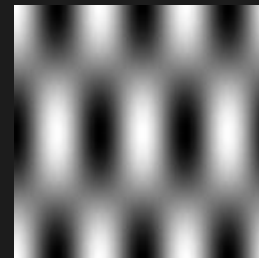
Example pattern



■ Far-range

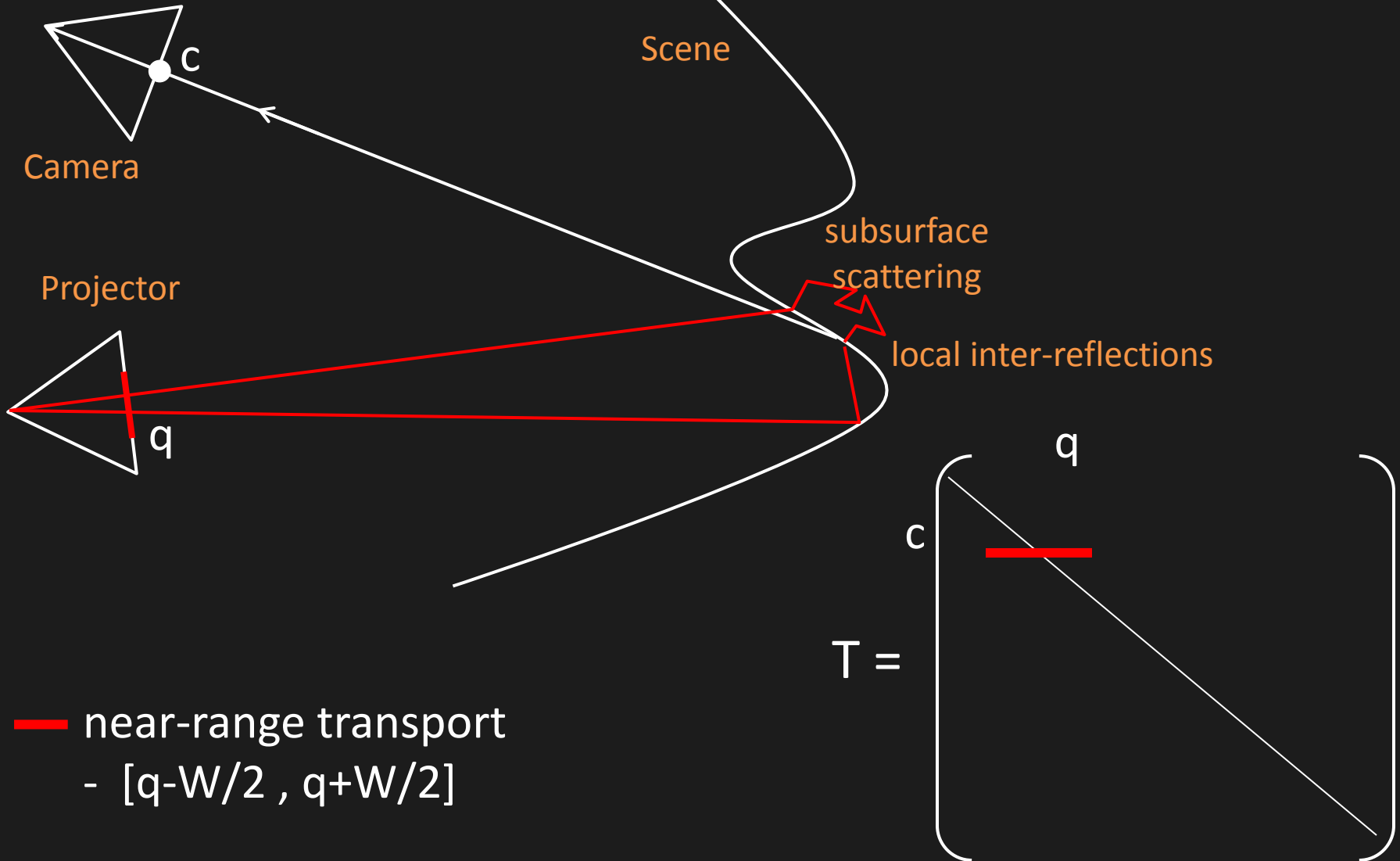
# Far-range transport

Example pattern



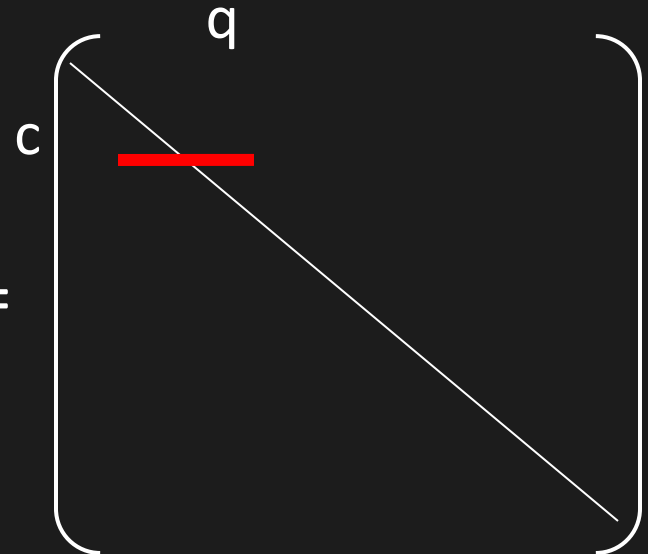
■ Far-range

# Near-range transport



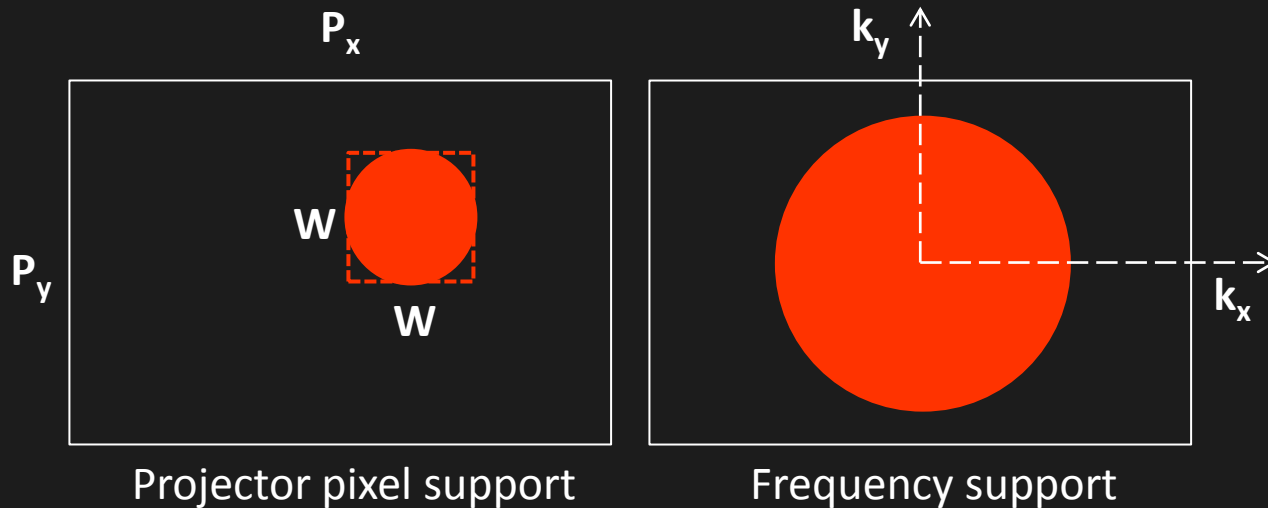
— near-range transport  
-  $[q-W/2, q+W/2]$

$T =$



# Near-range transport

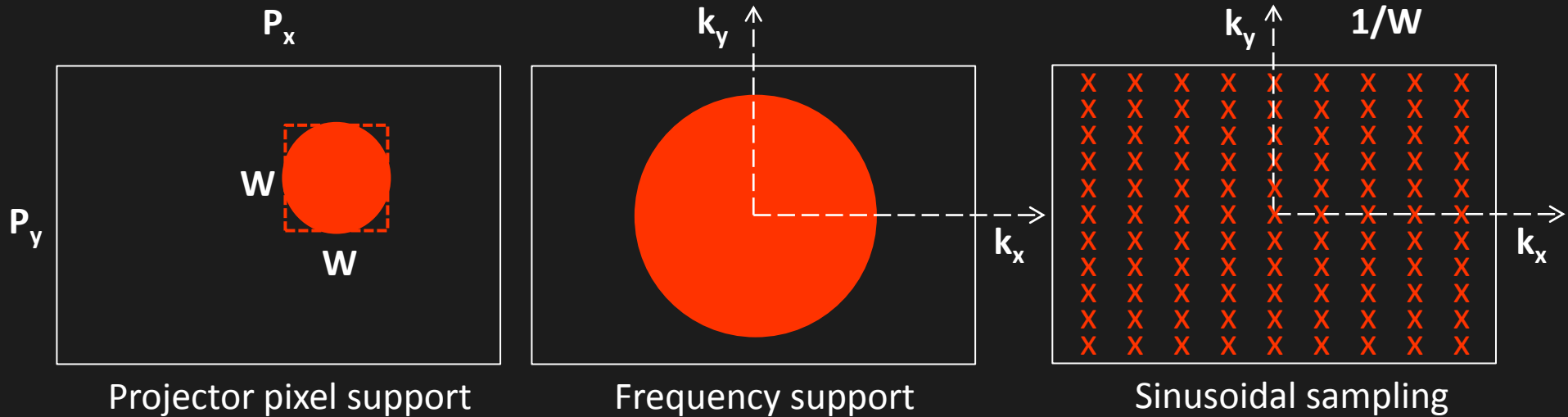
$W^2$  unknowns at each camera pixel



■ Near-range

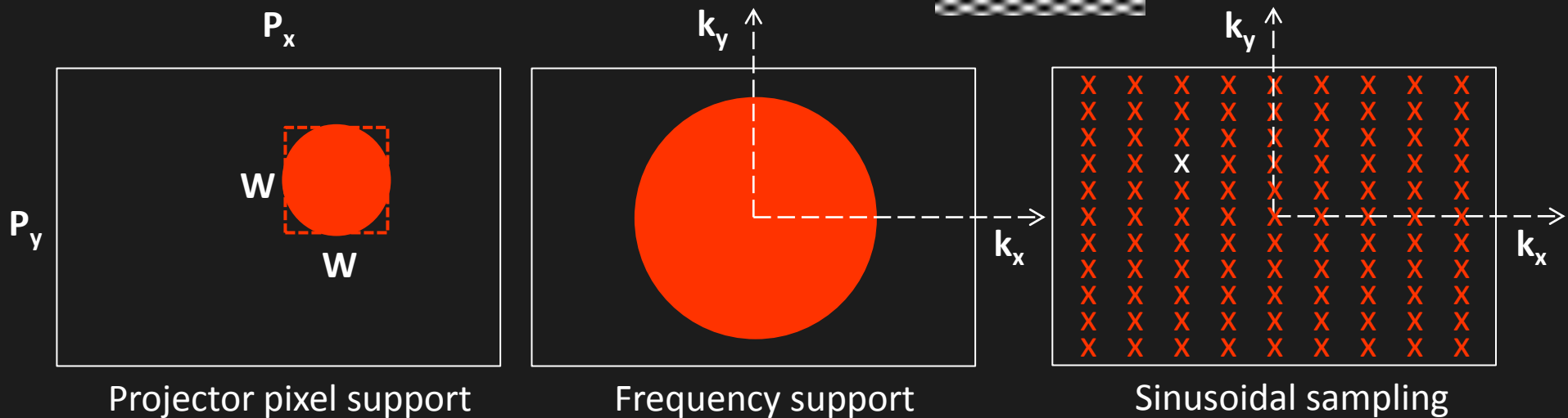
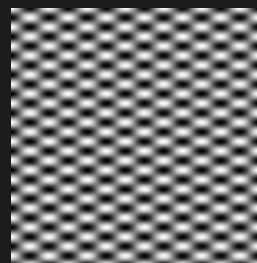
# Near-range transport

$W^2$  sinusoidal patterns placed  $1/W$  apart



# Near-range transport

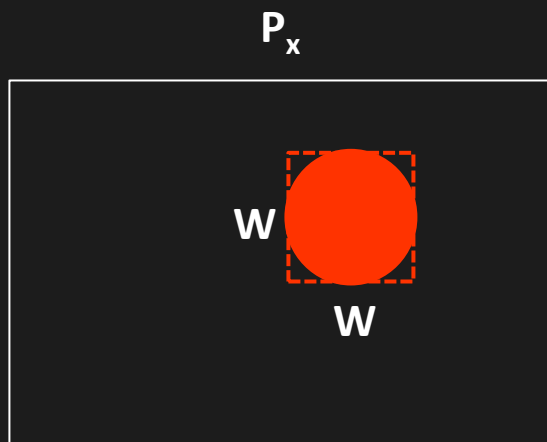
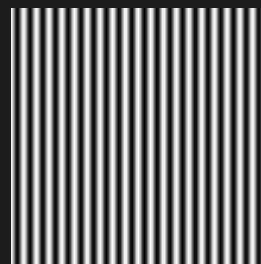
Example pattern



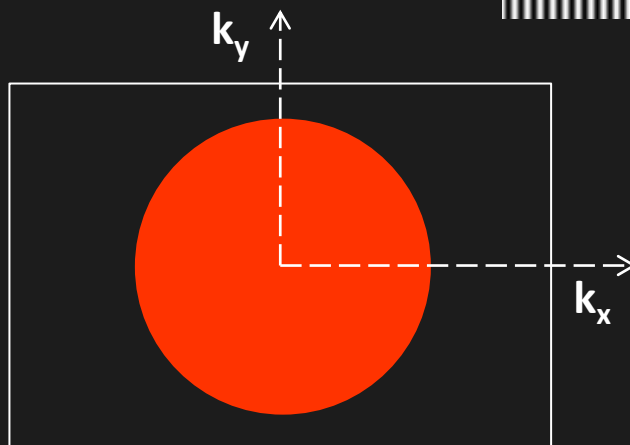
■ Near-range

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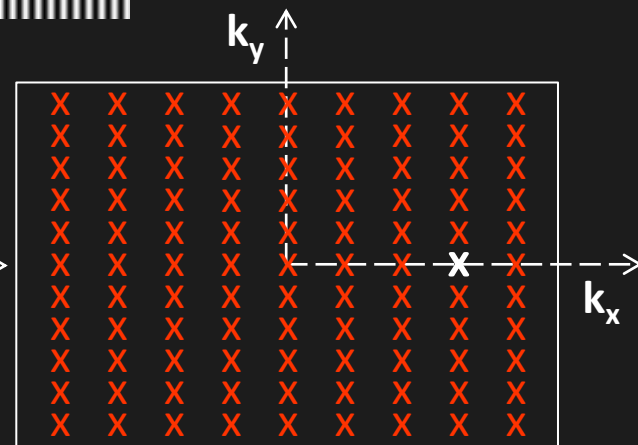
Example pattern



Projector pixel support



Frequency support



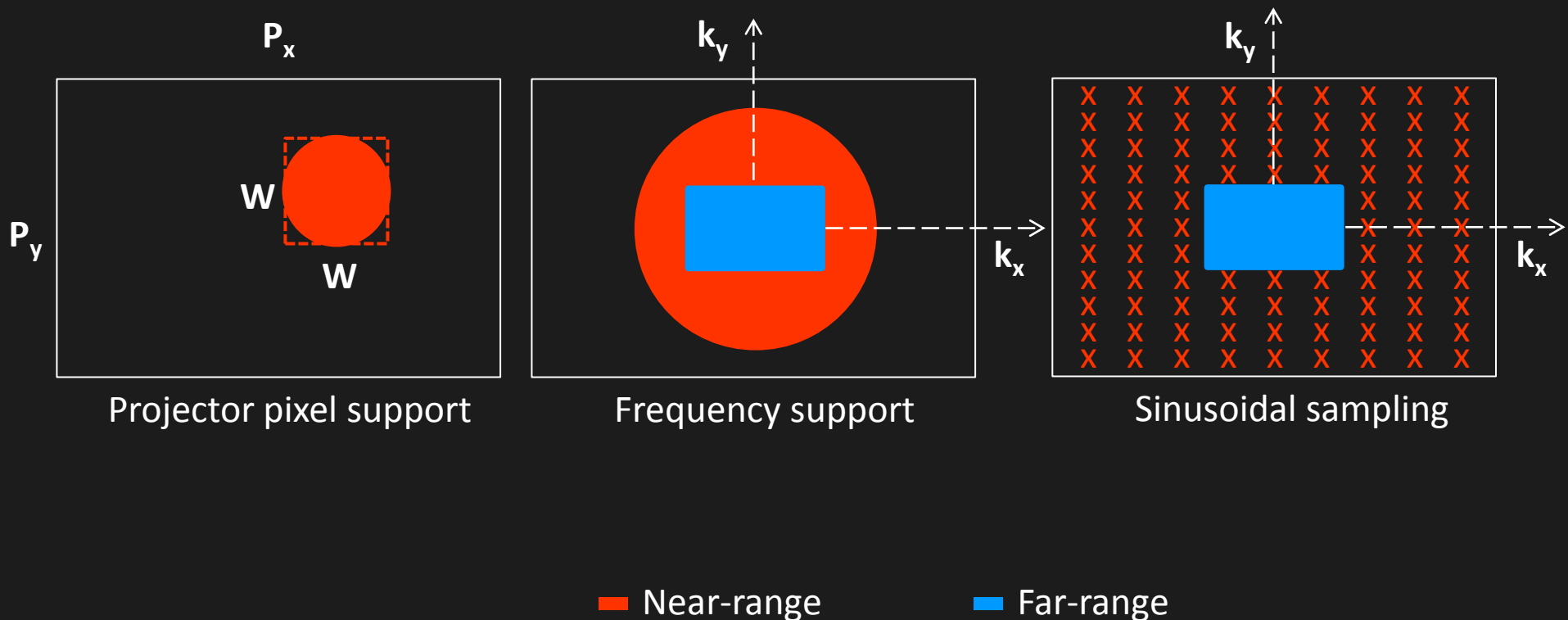
Sinusoidal sampling

■ Near-range



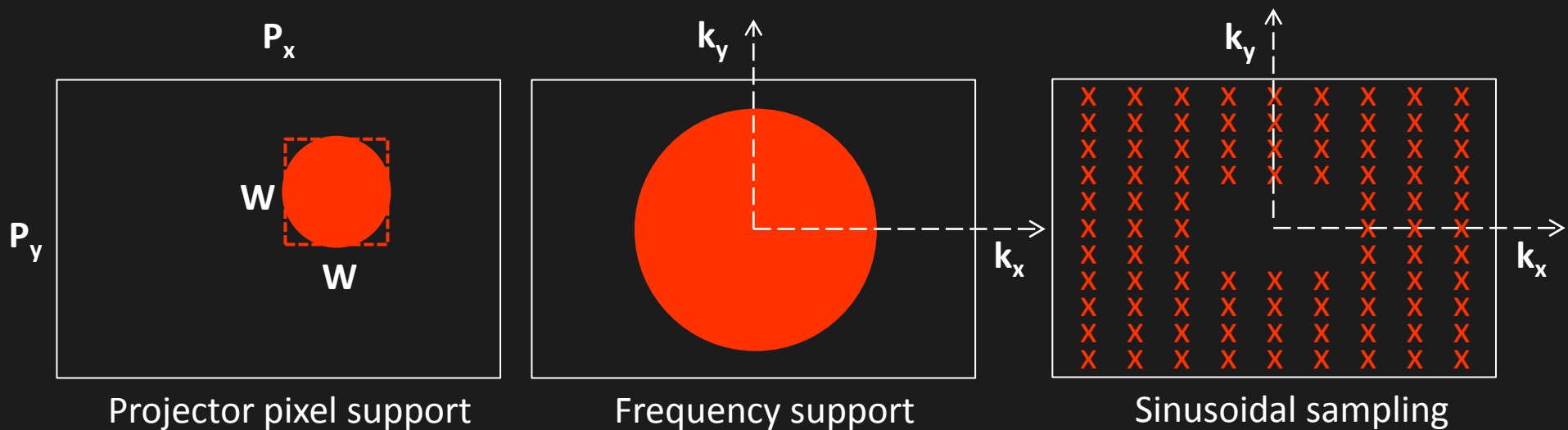
# Far-range interference

Overlap of few patterns with far-range bandwidth



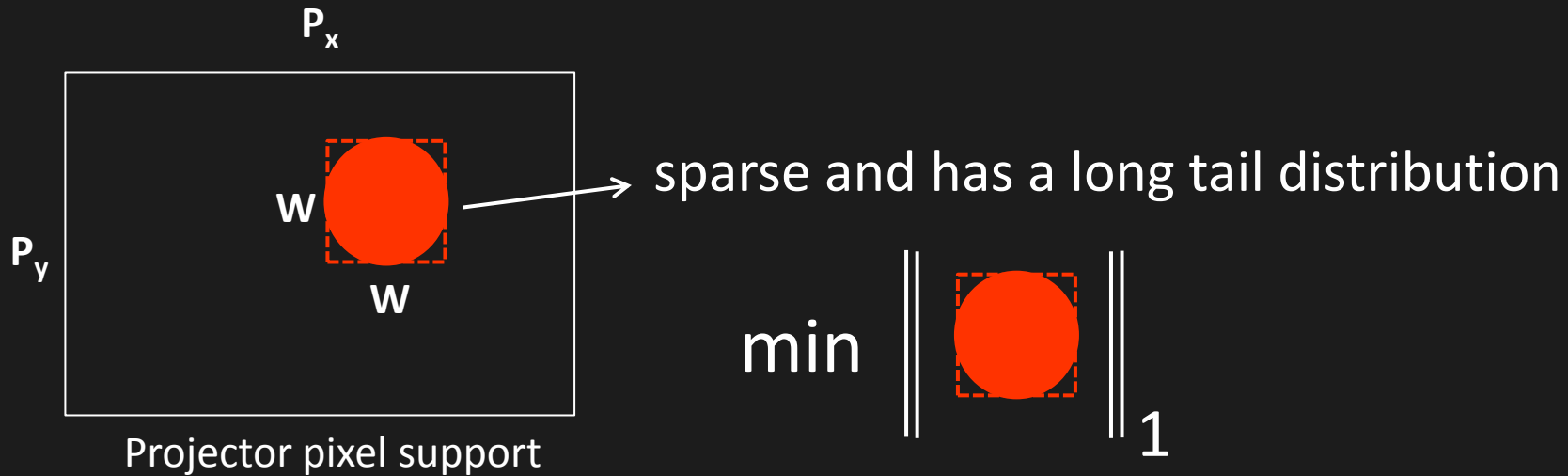
# Near-range measurements

Drop such sinusoidal patterns



# Sparsity prior

System of equations is underdetermined



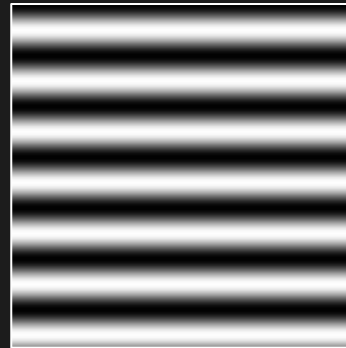
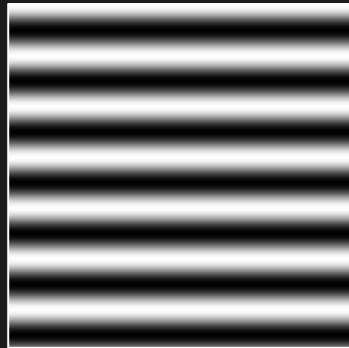
■ Near-range

# Near-range transport

$I_+$

$I_-$

Projector  
pattern



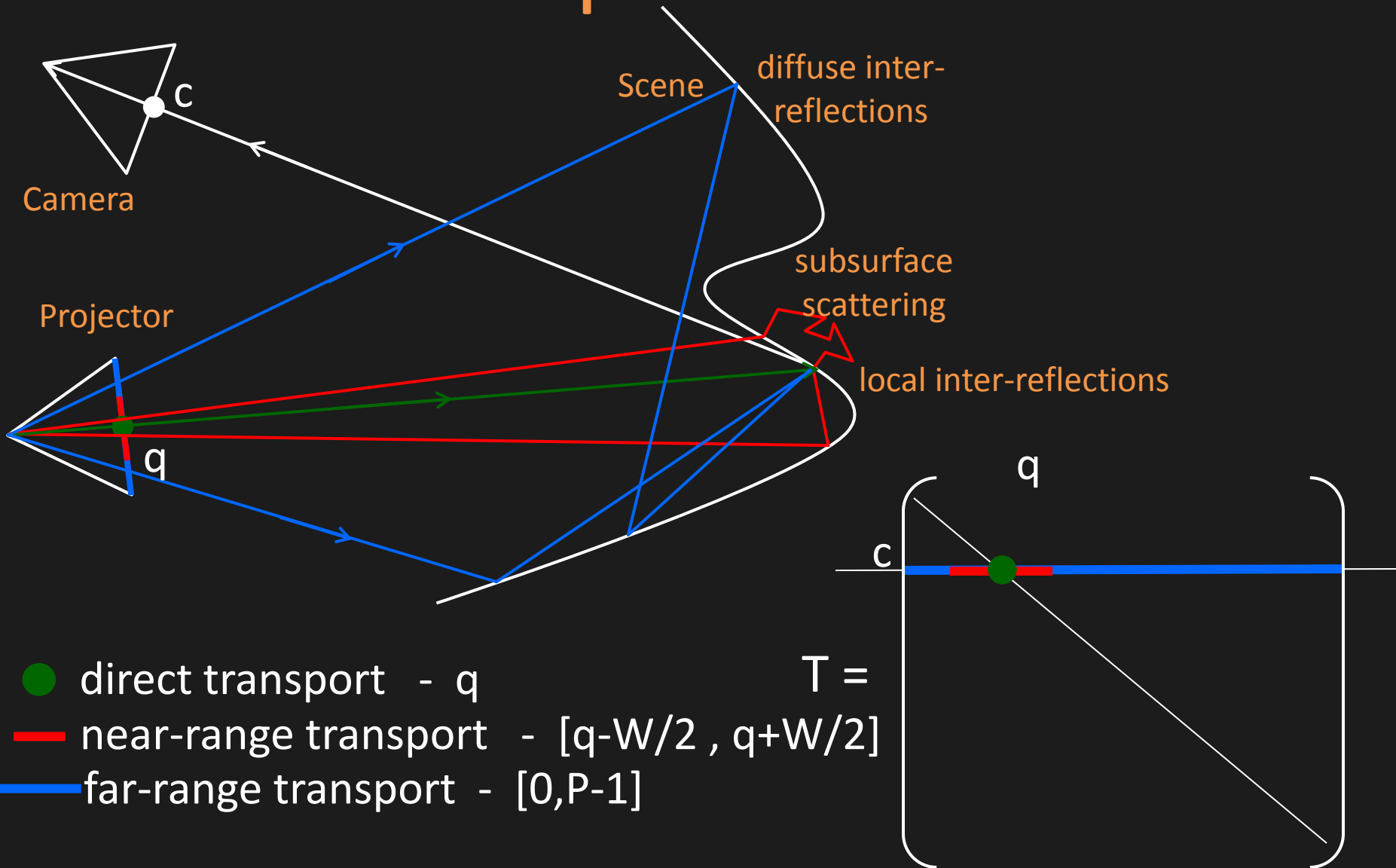
$b_+$

$b_-$

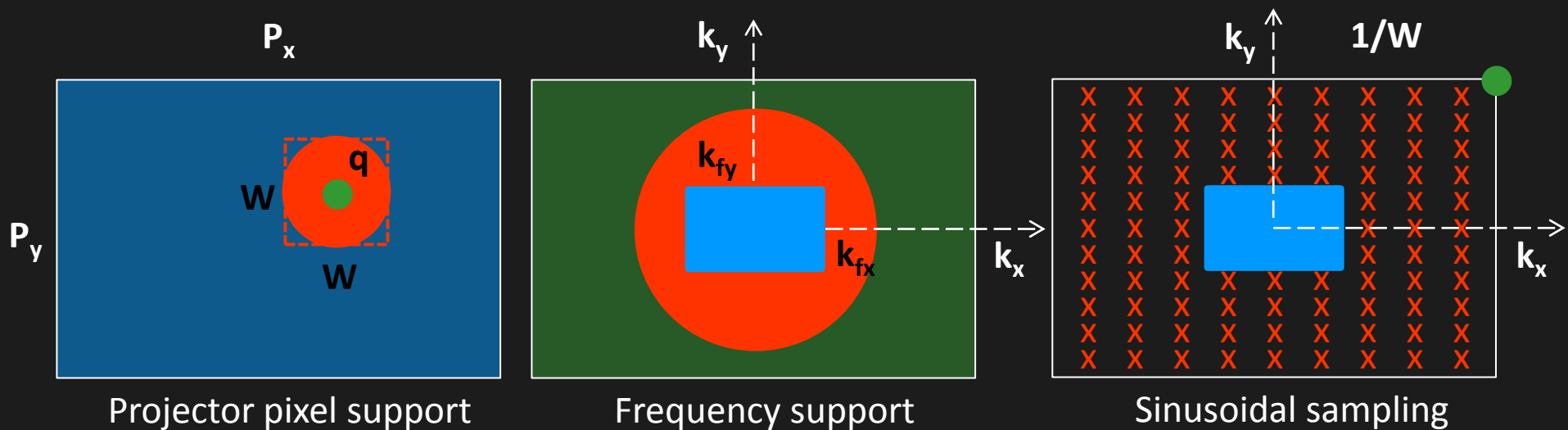
Camera  
image



# Transport model



# Frequency-space



— Direct

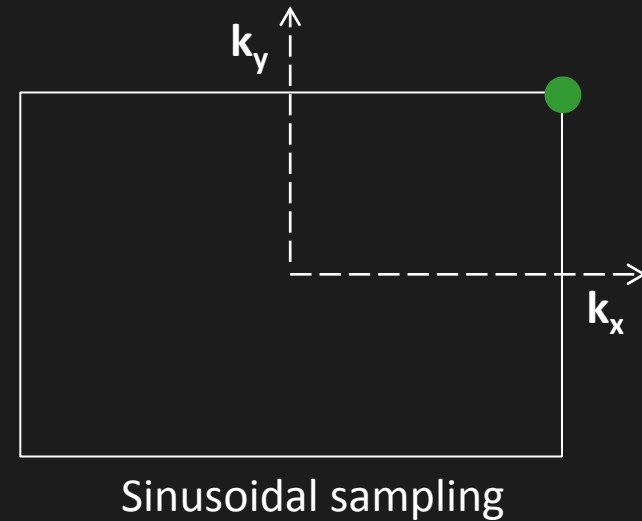
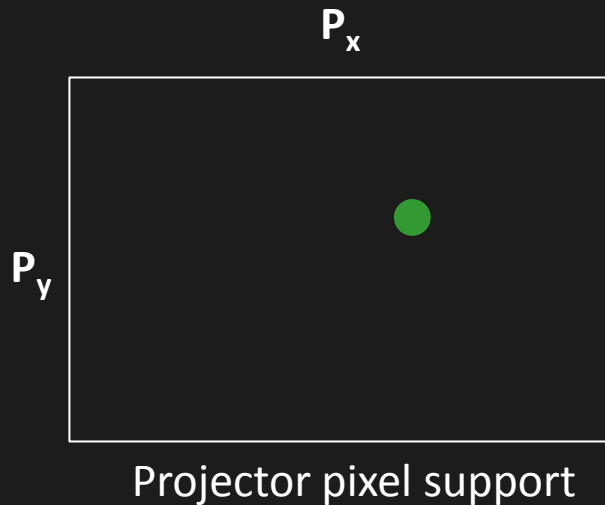
— Near-range

— Far-range

# Number of measurements: Direct

1 unknown

1 pattern sufficient

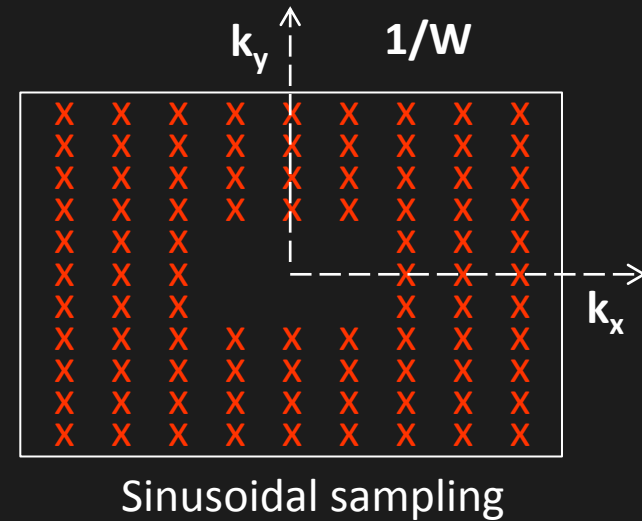
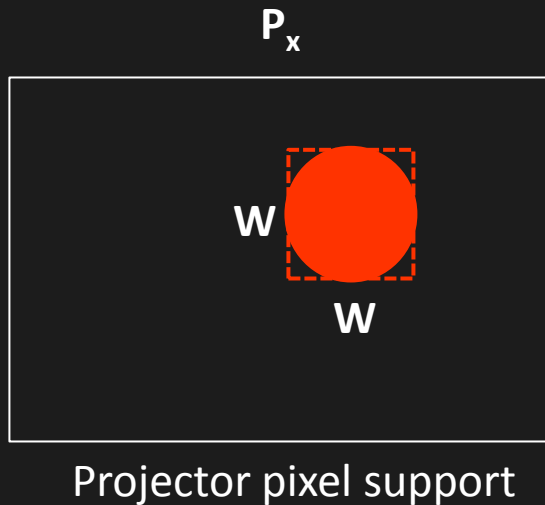


— Direct

# Number of measurements: Near

$W^2$  unknowns.

Less than  $W^2$  patterns sufficient



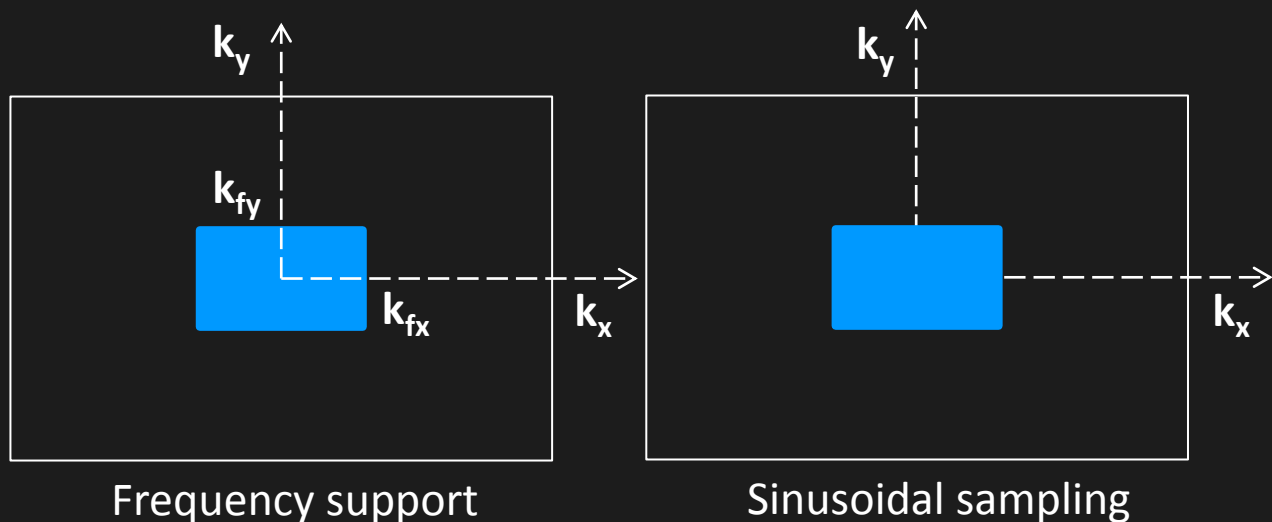
■ Near-range



# Number of measurements: Far

$4k_{fx}k_{fy}$  unknowns.

$4k_{fx}k_{fy}$  patterns sufficient

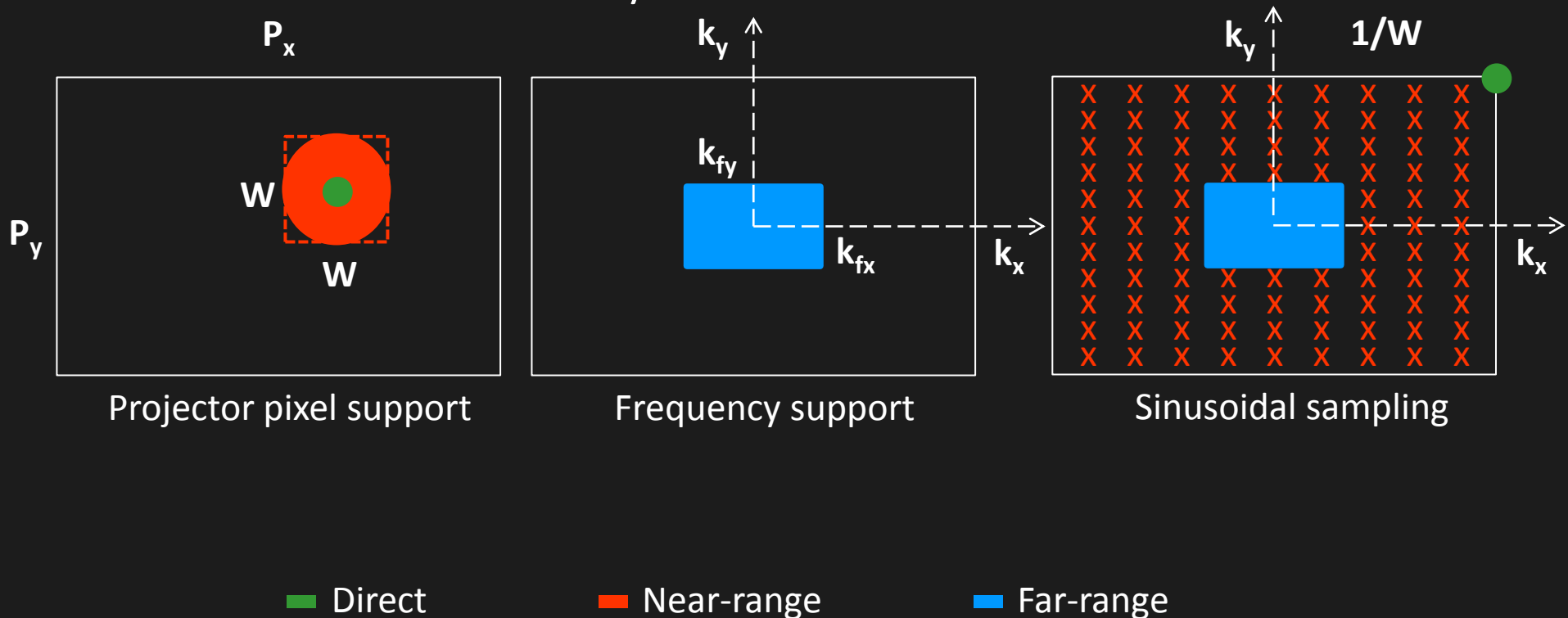


■ Far-range

# Number of measurements: All

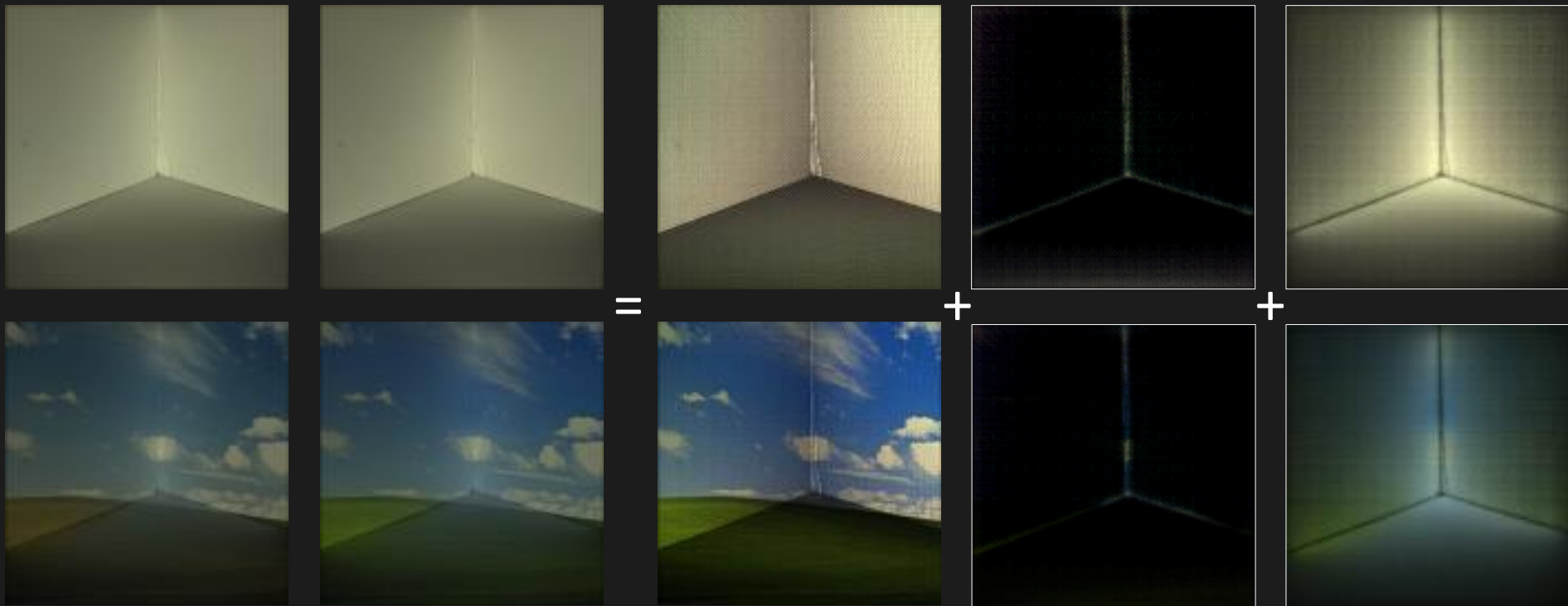
$1 + 4k_{fx}k_{fy} + W^2$  unknowns.

Less than  $1 + 4k_{fx}k_{fy} + W^2$  patterns sufficient



# Results

Acquire  $16384 \times 16384$  matrix with 788 patterns



Original

Reconstructed

Direct

Near

Far

T

D

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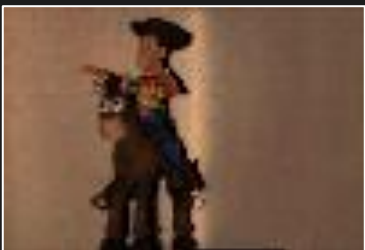
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# Comparisons

Original  
transport



Our  
method



287dB

39dB

43dB

44dB

Compressive  
Light  
Transport



16dB

3dB

9dB

9dB

# Limitations

## Projector-camera correspondence

- Currently a preprocessing step
- Joint correspondence and transport estimation
- Tough for specular objects

## Diffuse scenes

- Works well for diffuse scenes
- Specular and transparent scenes don't follow low-frequency interreflections

# Conclusions

## Decomposition of transport

- Separates physically meaningful components
- Simple compact model for direct, near, far

## Efficient acquisition of transport

- Simple projector-camera setup
- Close to optimal number of patterns

Thank you