

# Simultaneous Acquisition of Polarimetric SVBRDF and Normals

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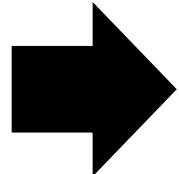
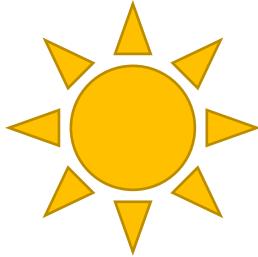
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# Surface Appearance



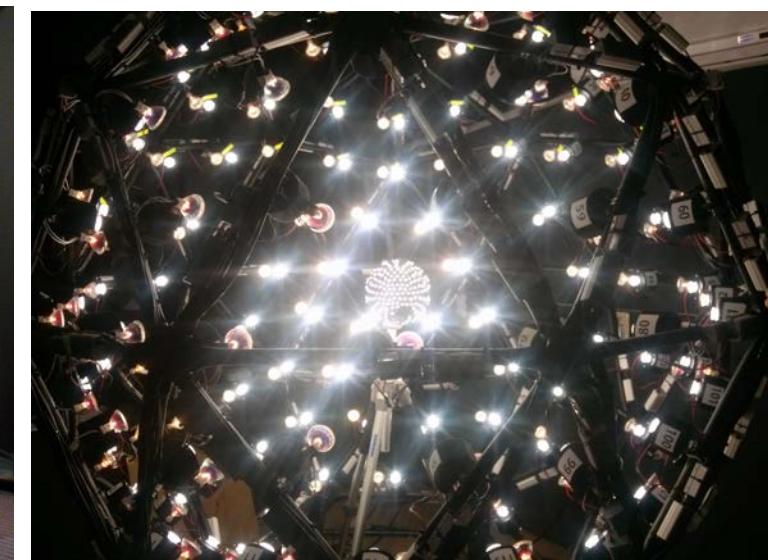
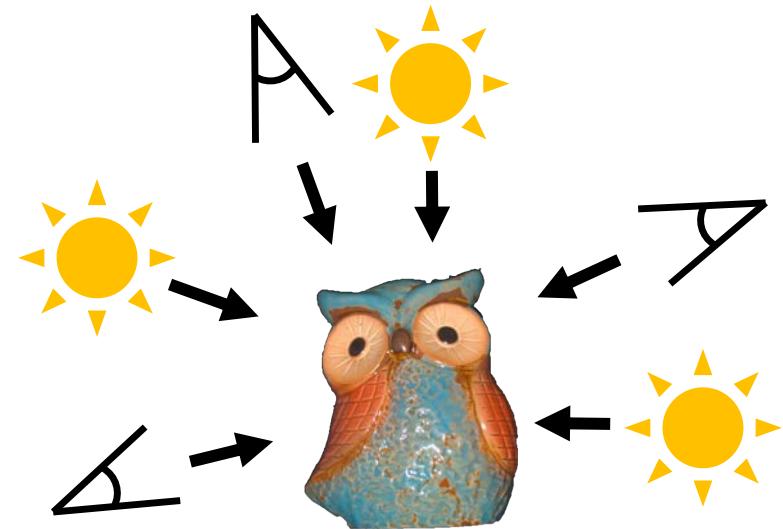
Rendering



**How the surface reflects light**

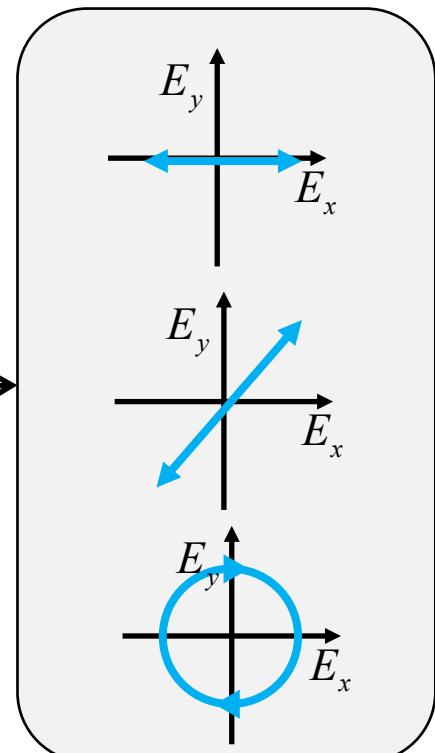
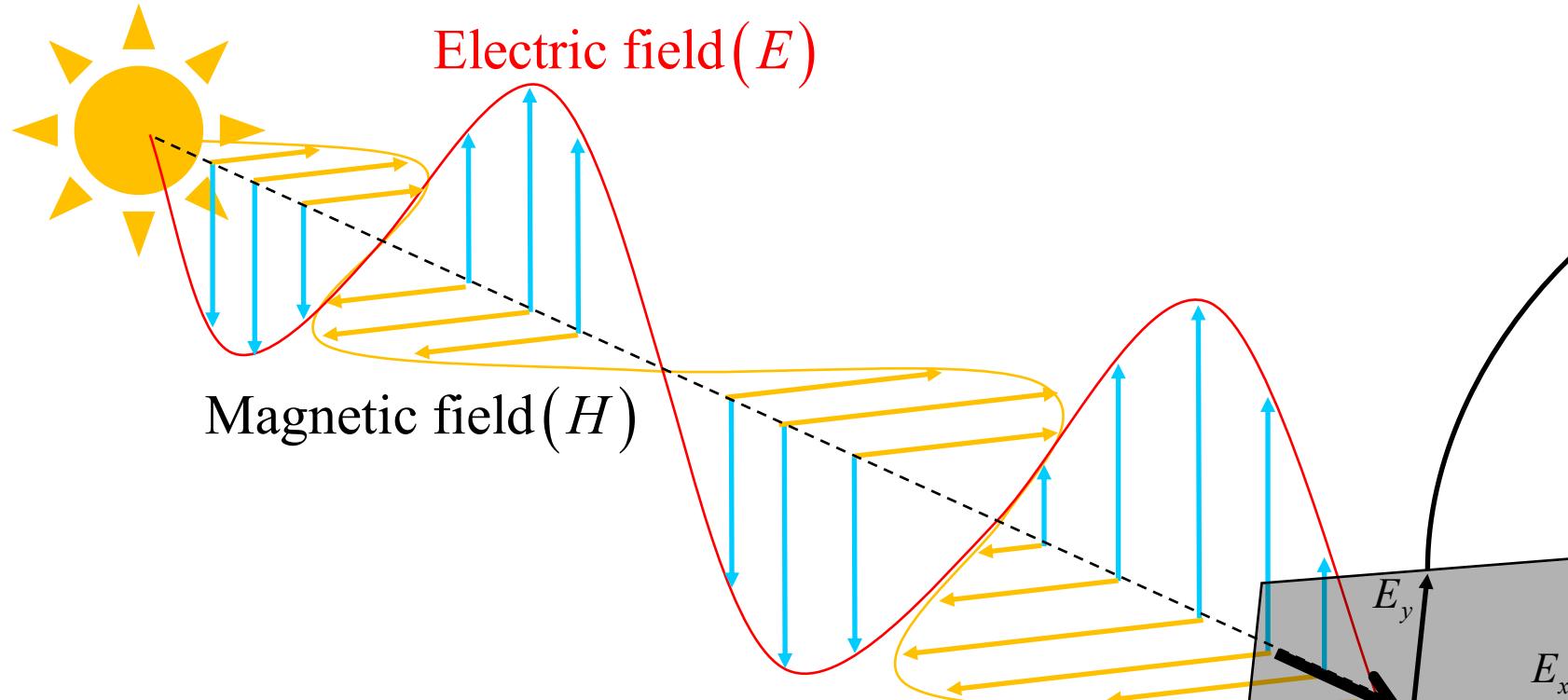
- Surface normals
- Bidirectional reflectance distribution function (BRDF)

# Surface Appearance from Intensity



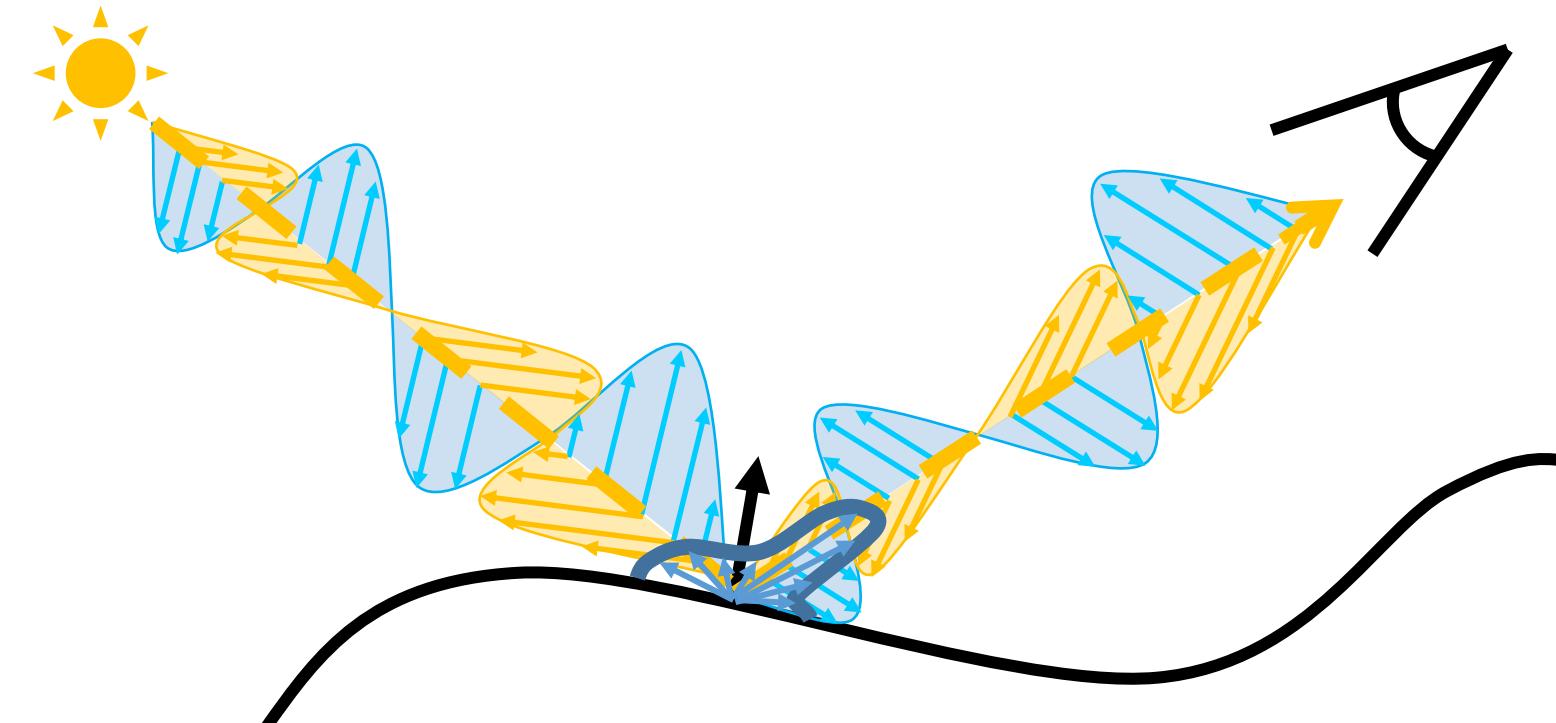
- Dense sampling of the light vector  $\mathbf{i}$  and the view vector  $\mathbf{o}$ :  $(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o})$
- Analyze the captured image **intensity**

# Wave Property: Polarization



Direction of  
the electric field

# Motivation

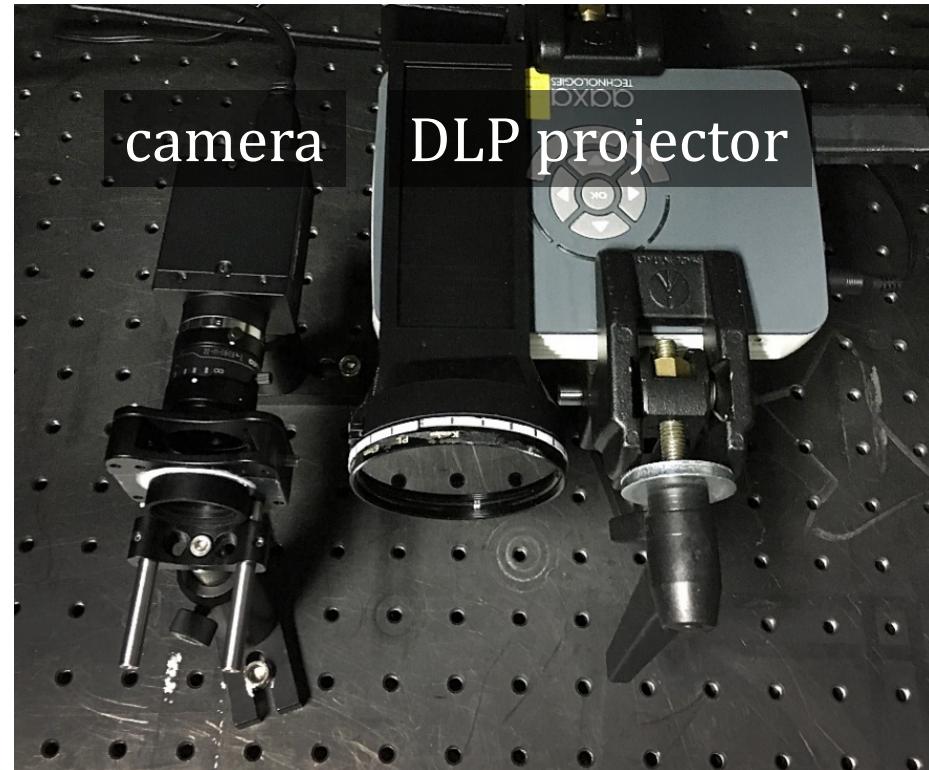


**Input**

polarimetric images from **single** illumination and view vector  $(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{o})$

**Output**

surface normals and BRDF parameters



# Contributions

- In addition to the intensity, analyze the **polarization** state of light

Polarimetric  
Reflectance Model

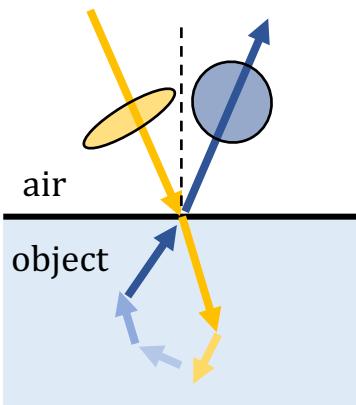
Polarimetric  
Imaging System

Polarimetric  
Inverse-rendering Method

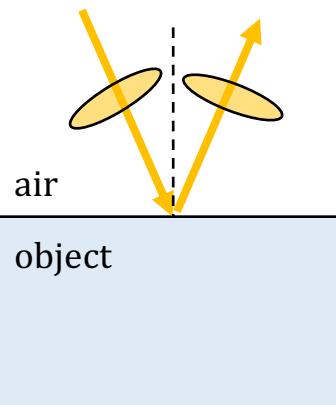
# Previous Work

## Polarimetric BRDF

[Hyde IV 2009, Priest and Gerner 2000]



Diffuse reflection



Specular reflection

Specular polarization



Diffuse polarization



**Diffuse polarization is weaker than specular polarization**

## Appearance from Polarization

[Ma 2007, Ghosh 2010, Riviere 2017]



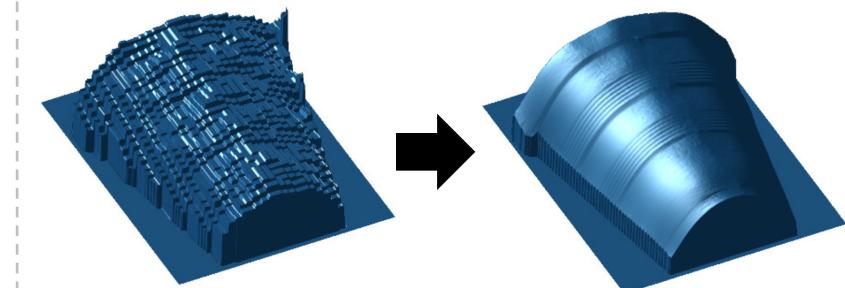
Photograph

Diffuse

Specular

## Shape from Polarization

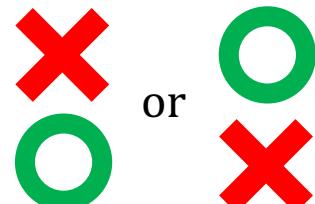
[Kadambi 2015, Cui 2017]



Specular polarization

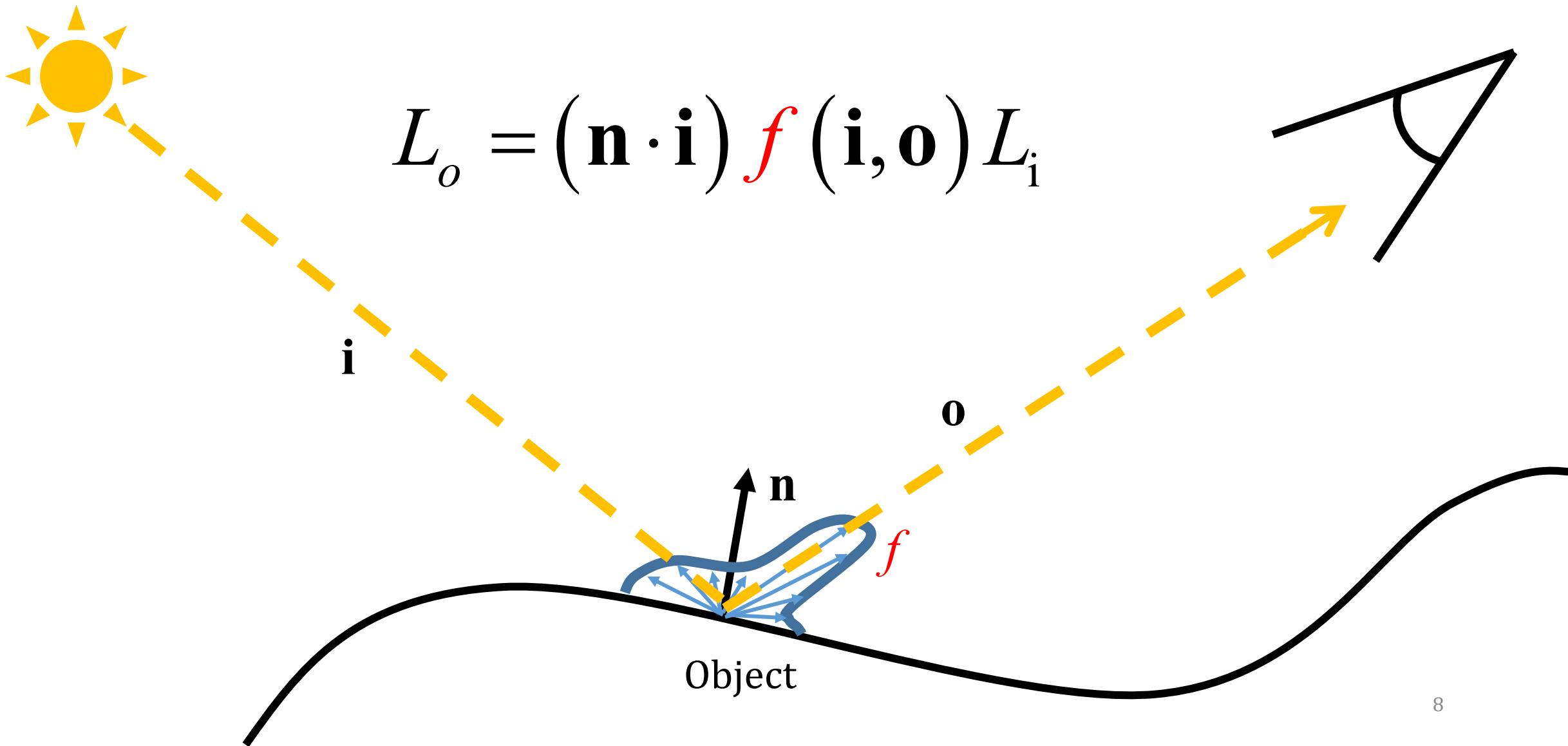


Diffuse polarization

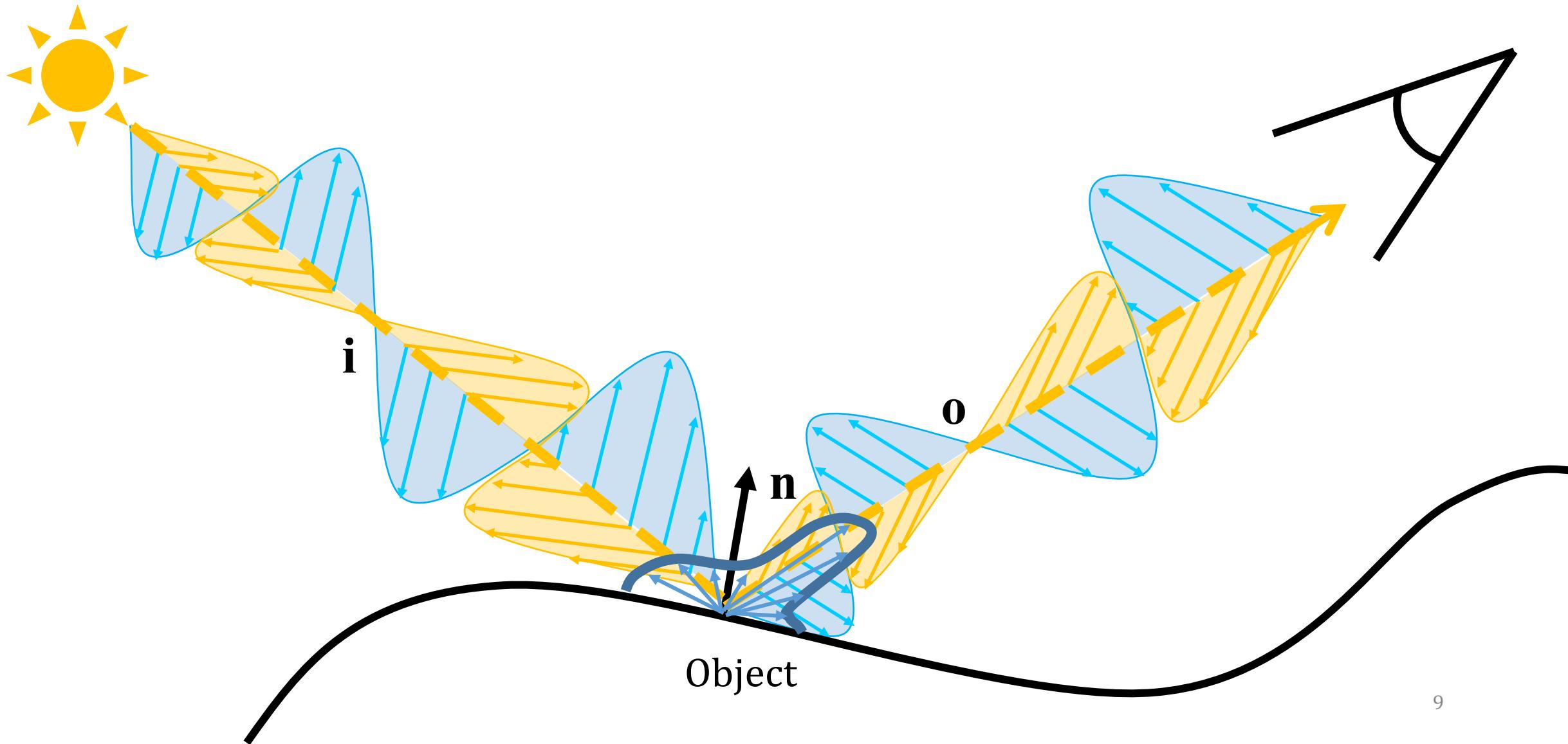


**Modality problem:**  
Either one of them is allowed

# BRDF

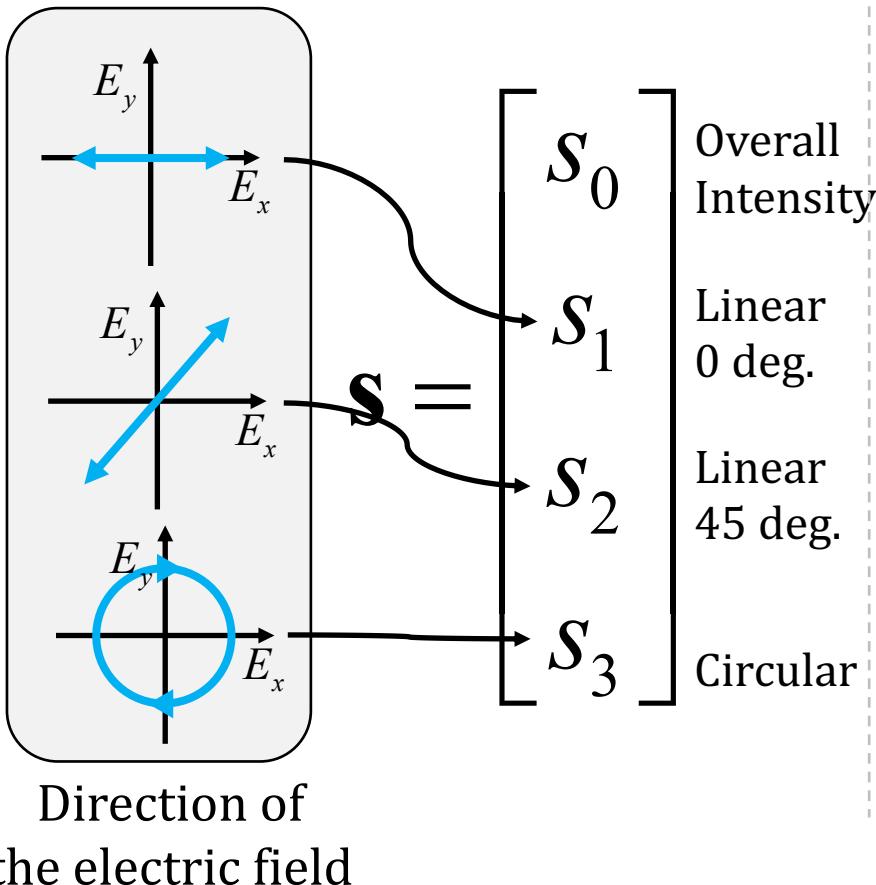


# Polarimetric BRDF (pBRDF)

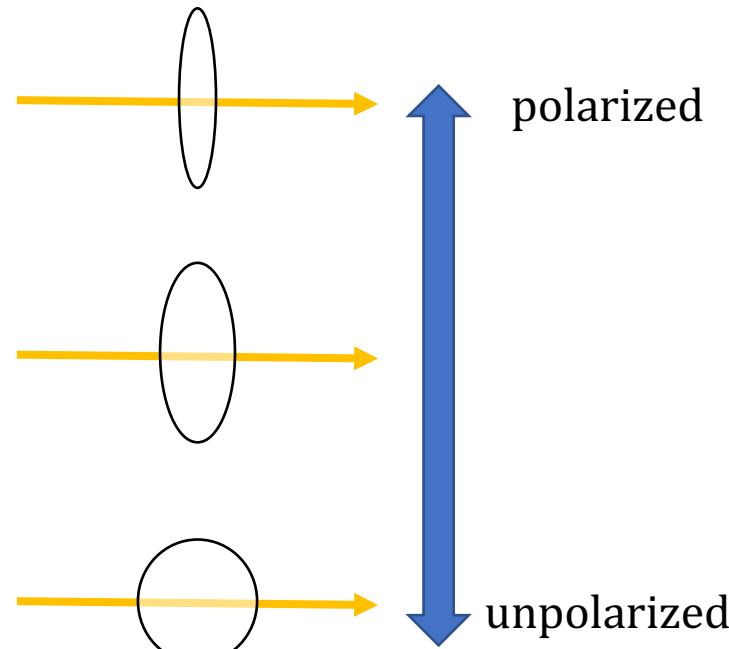


# Backgrounds

## Stokes vector



## Degree of polarization (DOP)



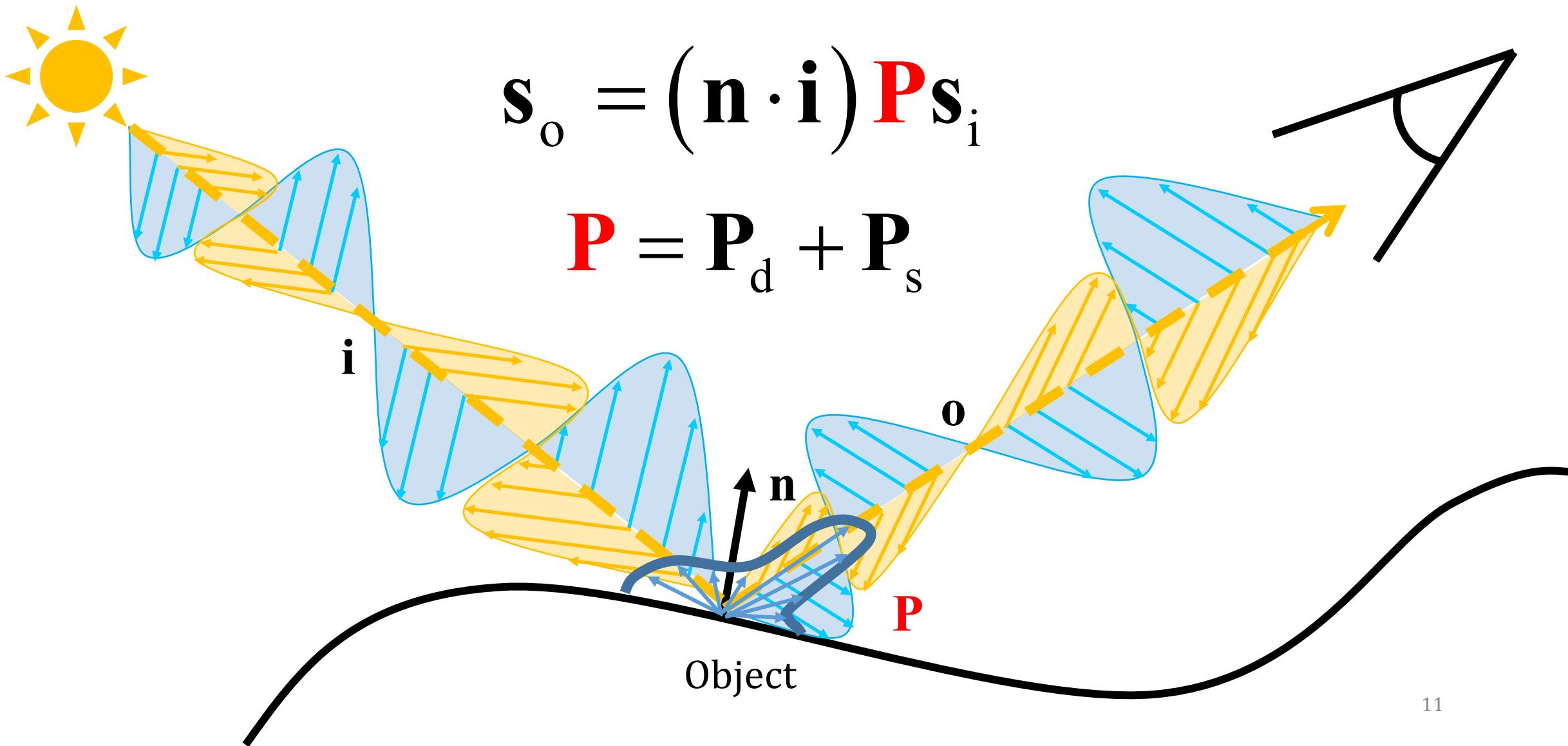
$$\text{DOP}(\mathbf{s}) = \frac{\sqrt{s_1^2 + s_2^2 + s_3^2}}{s_0}$$

## Mueller matrix

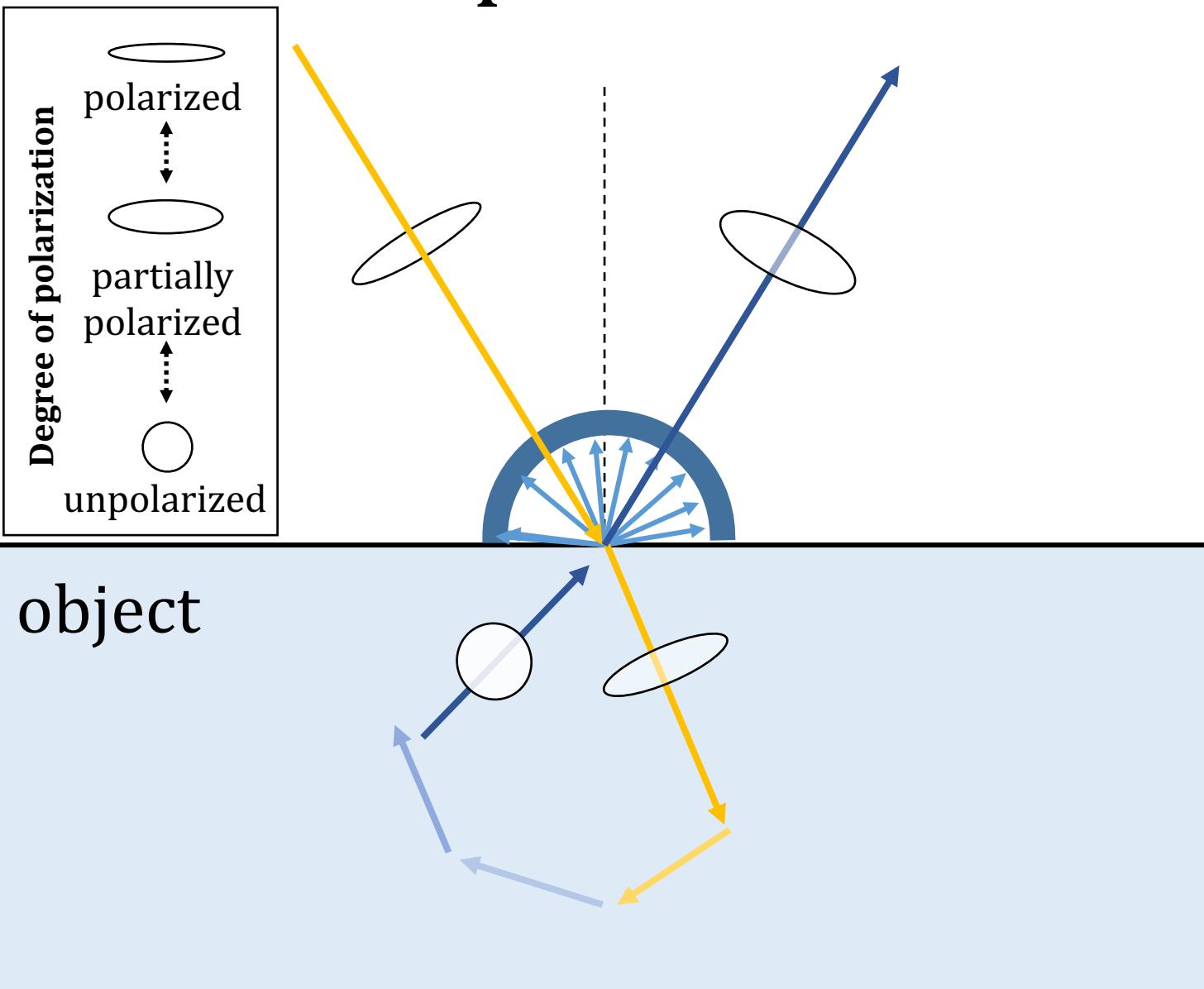
$$\mathbf{S}_{\text{after}} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{S}_{\text{before}}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} M_{00} & M_{01} & M_{02} & M_{03} \\ M_{10} & M_{11} & M_{12} & M_{13} \\ M_{20} & M_{21} & M_{22} & M_{23} \\ M_{30} & M_{31} & M_{32} & M_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Polarimetric BRDF (pBRDF)

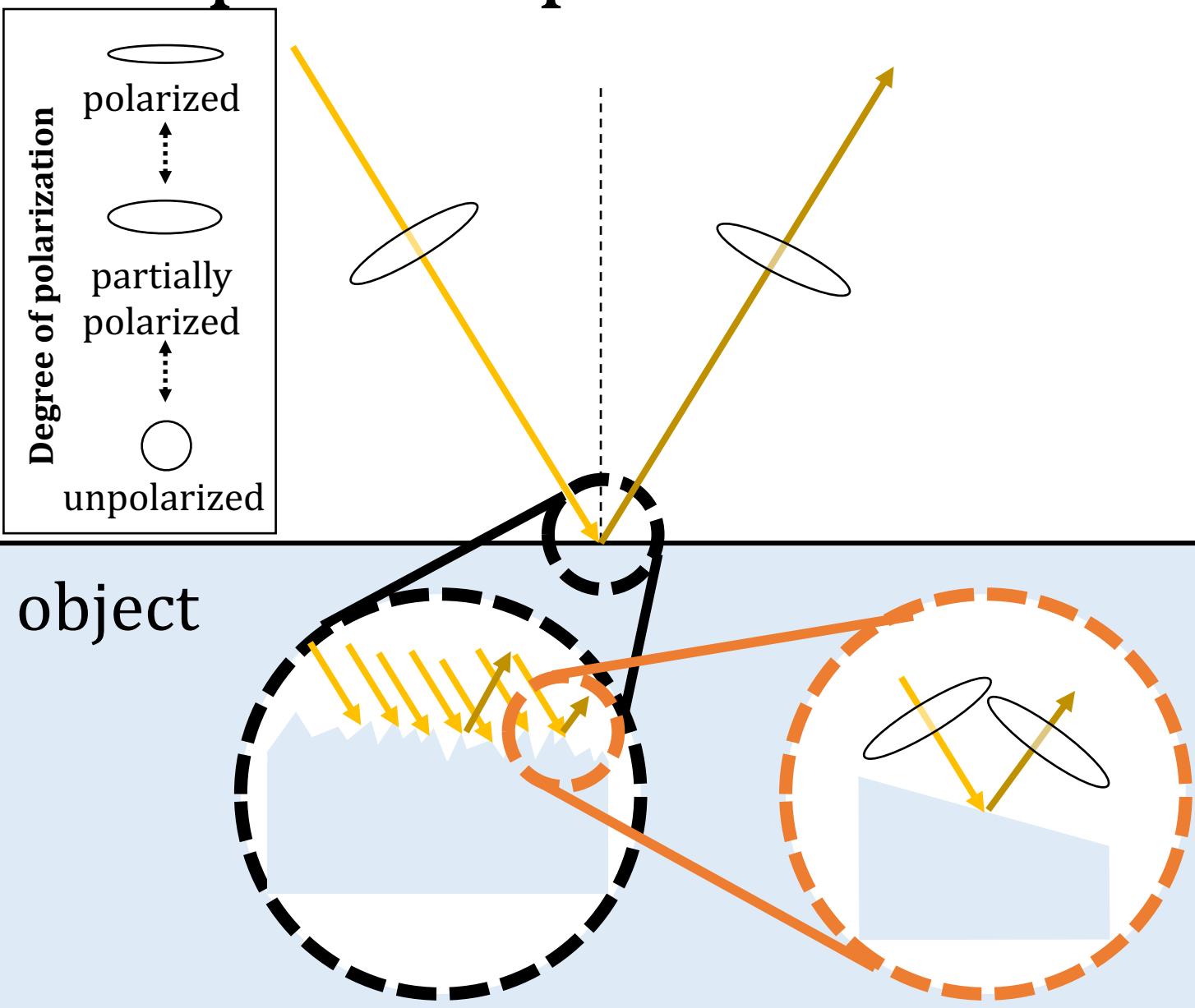


# Diffuse pBRDF



$$\mathbf{P}^d = \begin{matrix} \text{Depolarization} \\ \text{polarization} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{polarization} \end{matrix}$$

# Specular pBRDF



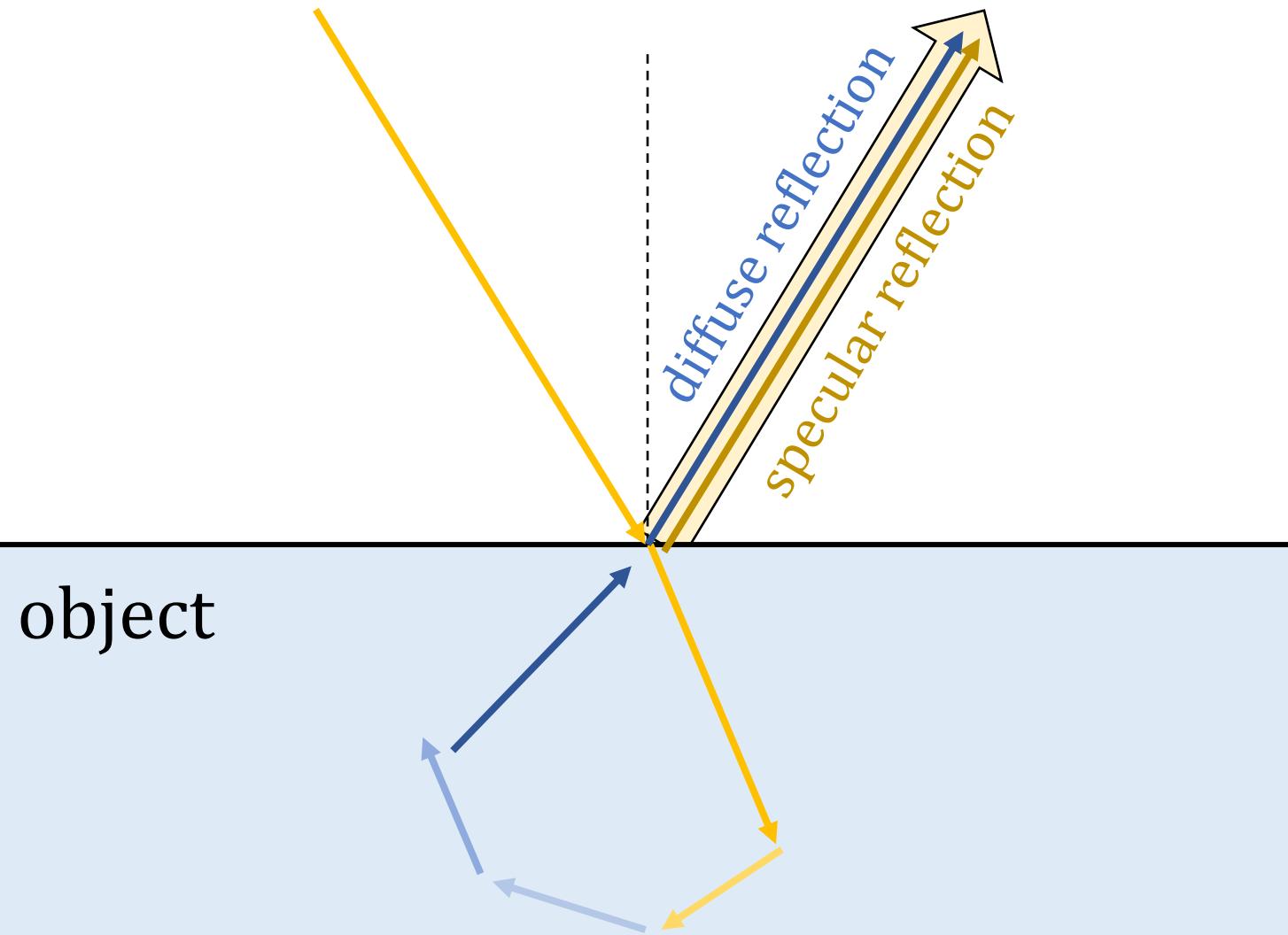
$$\mathbf{P}^s = \mathcal{K} \mathbf{C}_{h \rightarrow o} \mathbf{F}^R \mathbf{C}_{i \rightarrow h}$$

Coordinate conversion      Fresnel reflection      Coordinate conversion

Normal distribution function      Geometric shading

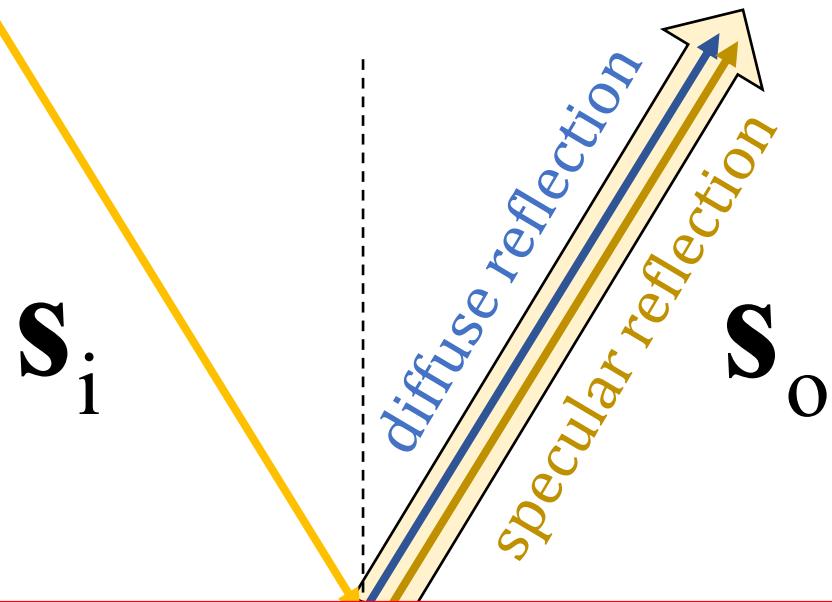
$$\mathcal{K} = k_s \frac{DG}{4(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i})(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{o})}$$

# Full pBRDF



$$\mathbf{P} =$$

# Polarimetric Light Transport

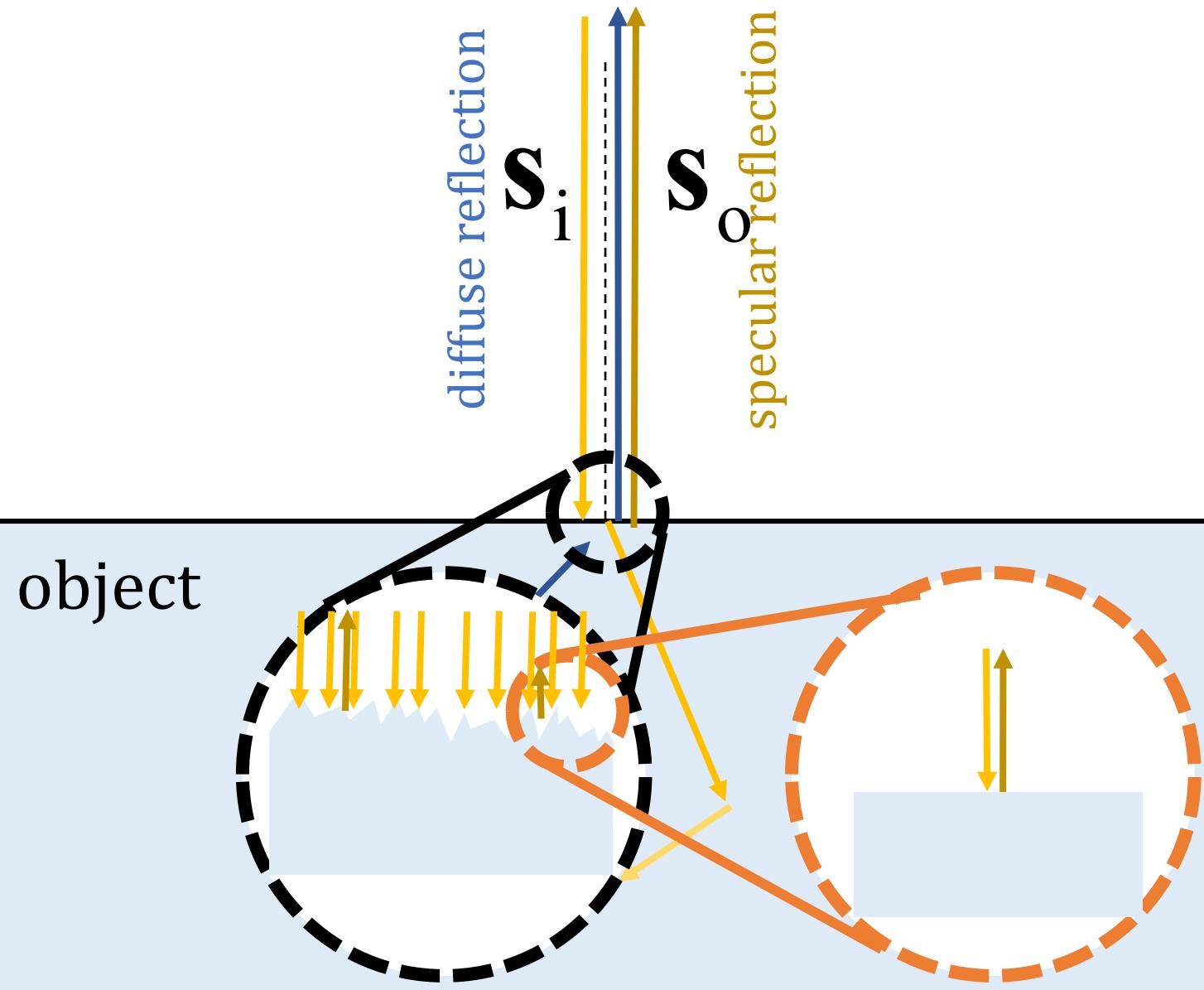


$$\mathbf{s}_o = (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \mathbf{P} \mathbf{s}_i$$

$$\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \begin{bmatrix} \rho T_o^+ T_i^+ + \mathcal{K} R^+ & \rho T_o^+ T_i^- \beta_i + \mathcal{K} R^- \gamma_i & -\rho T_o^+ T_i^- \alpha_i - \mathcal{K} R^- \chi_i & 0 \\ \rho T_o^- T_i^+ \beta_o + \mathcal{K} R^- \gamma_o & \rho T_o^- T_i^- \beta_i \beta_o + \mathcal{K} R^+ \gamma_i \gamma_o + \mathcal{K} R^\times \chi_i \chi_o \cos \delta & -\rho T_o^- T_i^- \alpha_i \beta_o - \mathcal{K} R^+ \chi_i \gamma_o + \mathcal{K} R^\times \gamma_i \chi_o \cos \delta & \mathcal{K} \chi_o R^\times \sin \delta \\ -\rho T_o^- T_i^+ \alpha_o - \mathcal{K} R^- \chi_o & -\rho T_o^- T_i^- \alpha_o \beta_i - \mathcal{K} R^+ \gamma_i \chi_o + \mathcal{K} R^\times \chi_i \gamma_o \cos \delta & \rho T_o^- T_i^- \alpha_i \alpha_o + \mathcal{K} R^+ \chi_i \chi_o + \mathcal{K} R^\times \gamma_i \gamma_o \cos \delta & \mathcal{K} \gamma_o R^\times \sin \delta \\ 0 & -\mathcal{K} \chi_i R^\times \sin \delta & -\mathcal{K} \gamma_i R^\times \sin \delta & \mathcal{K} R^\times \cos \delta \end{bmatrix}$$

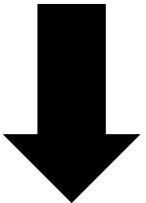
where  $\mathcal{K} = k_s \frac{DG}{4(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i})(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{o})}$

# Coaxial Case



# Simplification for Coaxial Setup

$$\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \begin{bmatrix} \rho T_o^+ T_i^+ + \mathcal{K} R^+ & \rho T_o^+ T_i^- \beta_i + \cancel{\mathcal{K} R^- \gamma_i} & -\rho T_o^+ T_i^- \alpha_i - \cancel{\mathcal{K} R^- \chi_i} & 0 \\ \rho T_o^- T_i^+ \beta_o + \cancel{\mathcal{K} R^- \gamma_o} & \rho T_o^- T_i^- \beta_i \beta_o + \mathcal{K} R^+ \gamma_i \gamma_o + \mathcal{K} R^\times \chi_i \chi_o \cos \delta & -\rho T_o^- T_i^- \alpha_i \beta_o - \cancel{\mathcal{K} R^+ \chi_i \gamma_o} + \cancel{\mathcal{K} R^\times \gamma_i \chi_o} \cos \delta & \cancel{\mathcal{K} \chi_o R^\times \sin \delta} \\ -\rho T_o^- T_i^+ \alpha_o - \cancel{\mathcal{K} R^- \chi_o} & -\rho T_o^- T_i^- \alpha_o \beta_i - \cancel{\mathcal{K} R^+ \gamma_i \chi_o} + \cancel{\mathcal{K} R^\times \chi_i \gamma_o} \cos \delta & \rho T_o^- T_i^- \alpha_i \alpha_o + \mathcal{K} R^+ \chi_i \chi_o + \mathcal{K} R^\times \gamma_i \gamma_o \cos \delta & \cancel{\mathcal{K} \gamma_o R^\times \sin \delta} \\ 0 & -\cancel{\mathcal{K} \chi_i R^\times \sin \delta} & -\cancel{\mathcal{K} \gamma_i R^\times \sin \delta} & \mathcal{K} R^\times \cos \delta \end{bmatrix}$$

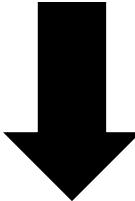


$$\mathbf{H} \approx (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \begin{bmatrix} \rho T_o^+ T_i^+ + \mathcal{K} R^+ & \rho T_o^+ T_i^- \beta_i & -\rho T_o^+ T_i^- \alpha_i & 0 \\ \rho T_o^- T_i^+ \beta_o & \mathcal{K} R^+ & 0 & 0 \\ -\rho T_o^- T_i^+ \alpha_o & 0 & -\mathcal{K} R^+ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\mathcal{K} R^+ \end{bmatrix}$$

# Simplification for Linear Polarization

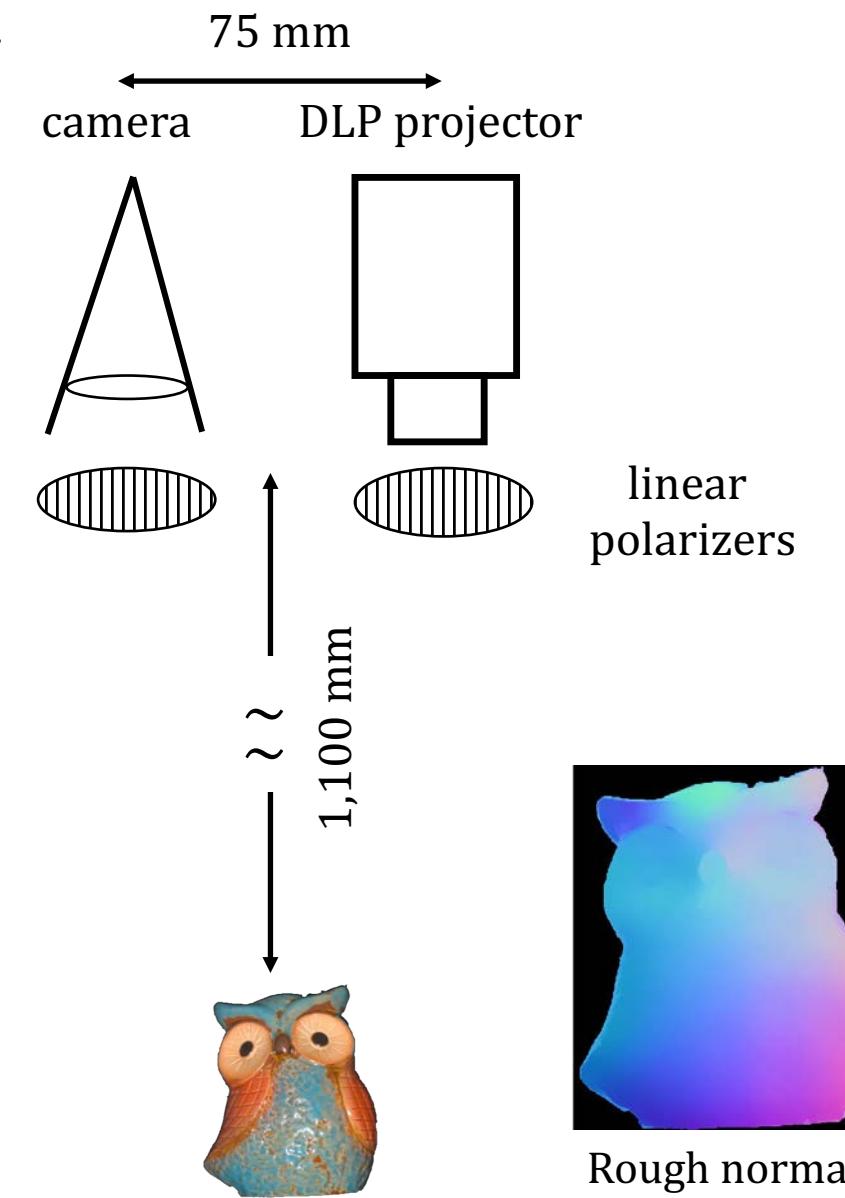
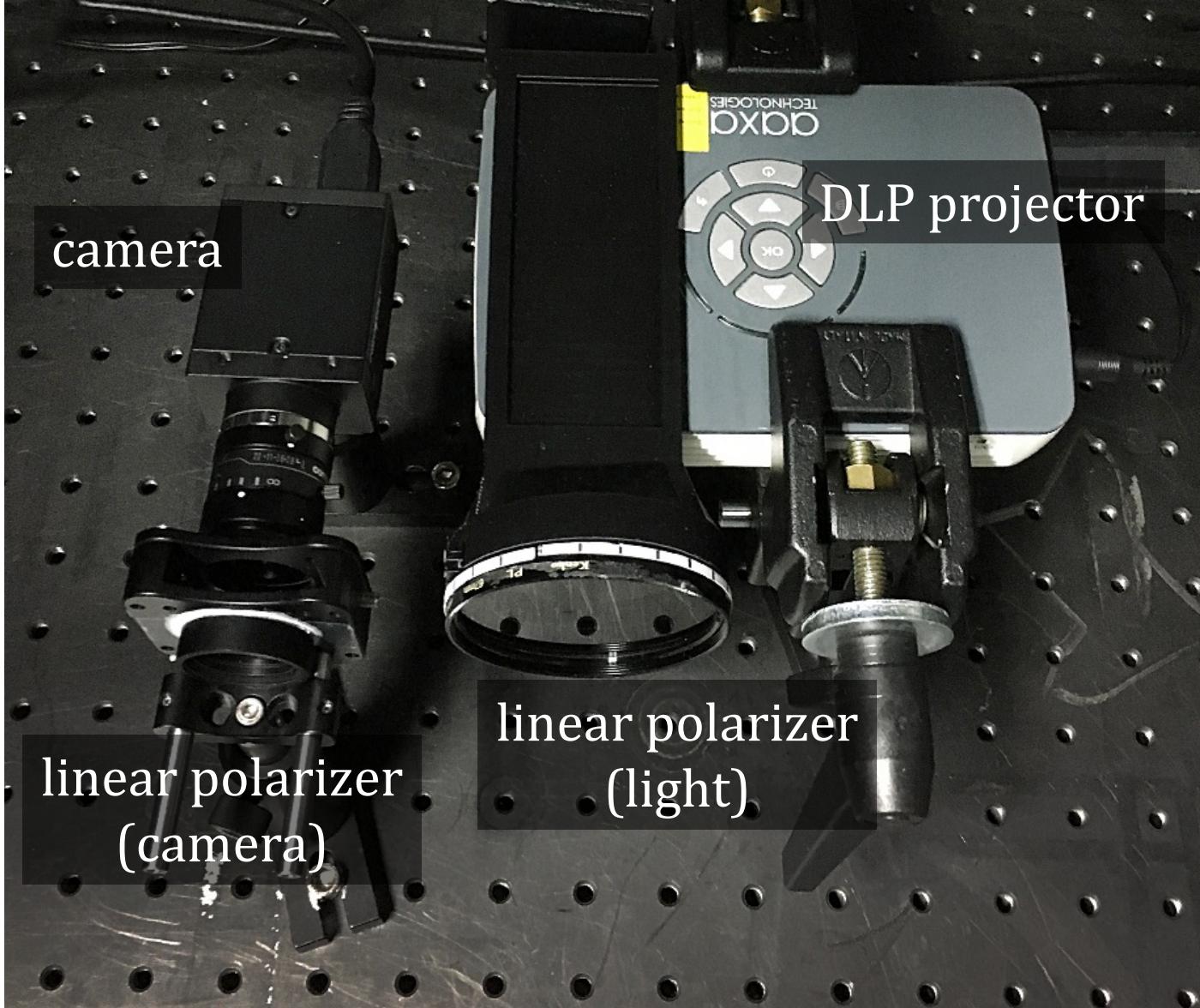
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Circular polarization

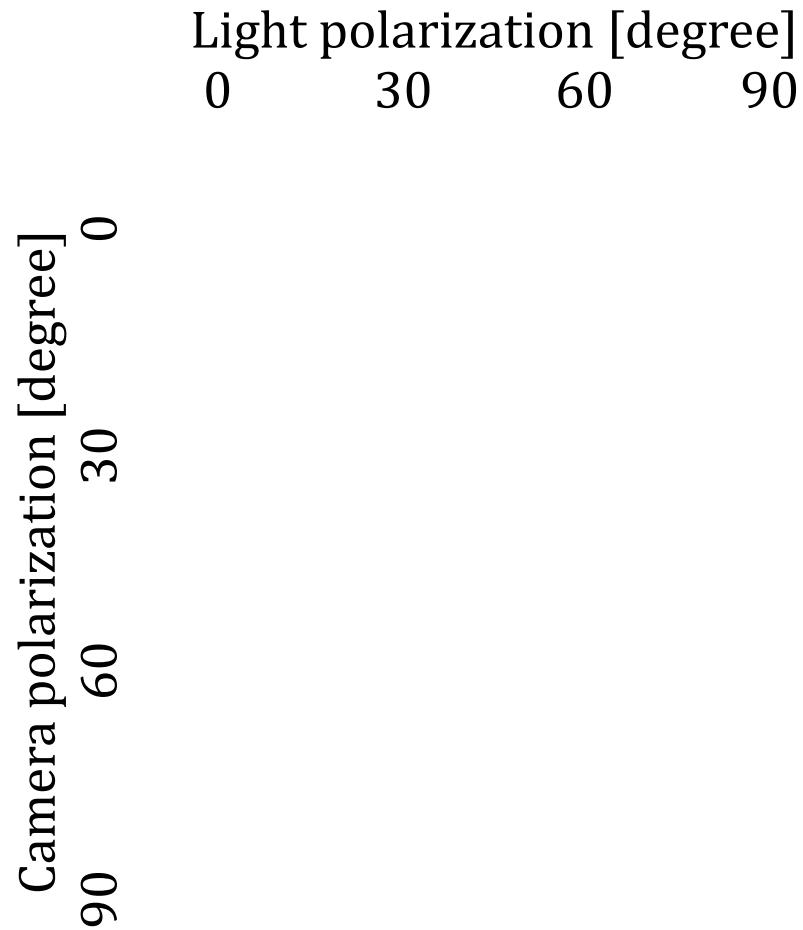
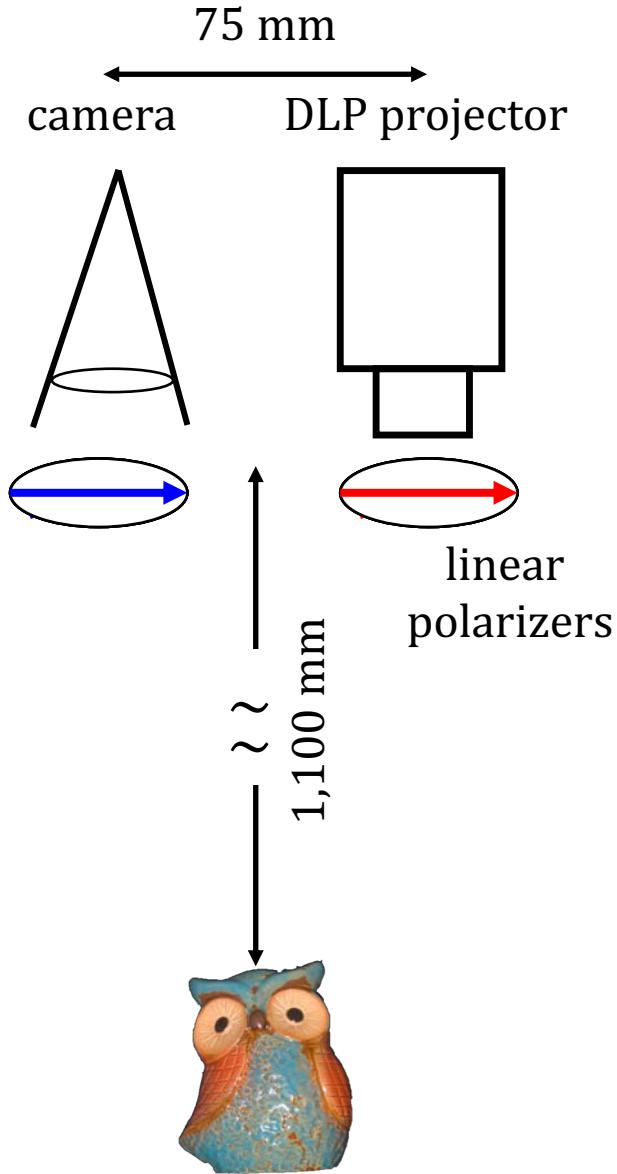


$$\mathbf{H}_L \approx (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \begin{bmatrix} \rho T_o^+ T_i^+ + \mathcal{K}R^+ & \rho T_o^+ T_i^- \beta_i & -\rho T_o^+ T_i^- \alpha_i \\ \rho T_o^- T_i^+ \beta_o & \mathcal{K}R^+ & 0 \\ -\rho T_o^- T_i^+ \alpha_o & 0 & -\mathcal{K}R^+ \end{bmatrix}$$

# Polarimetric Imaging System



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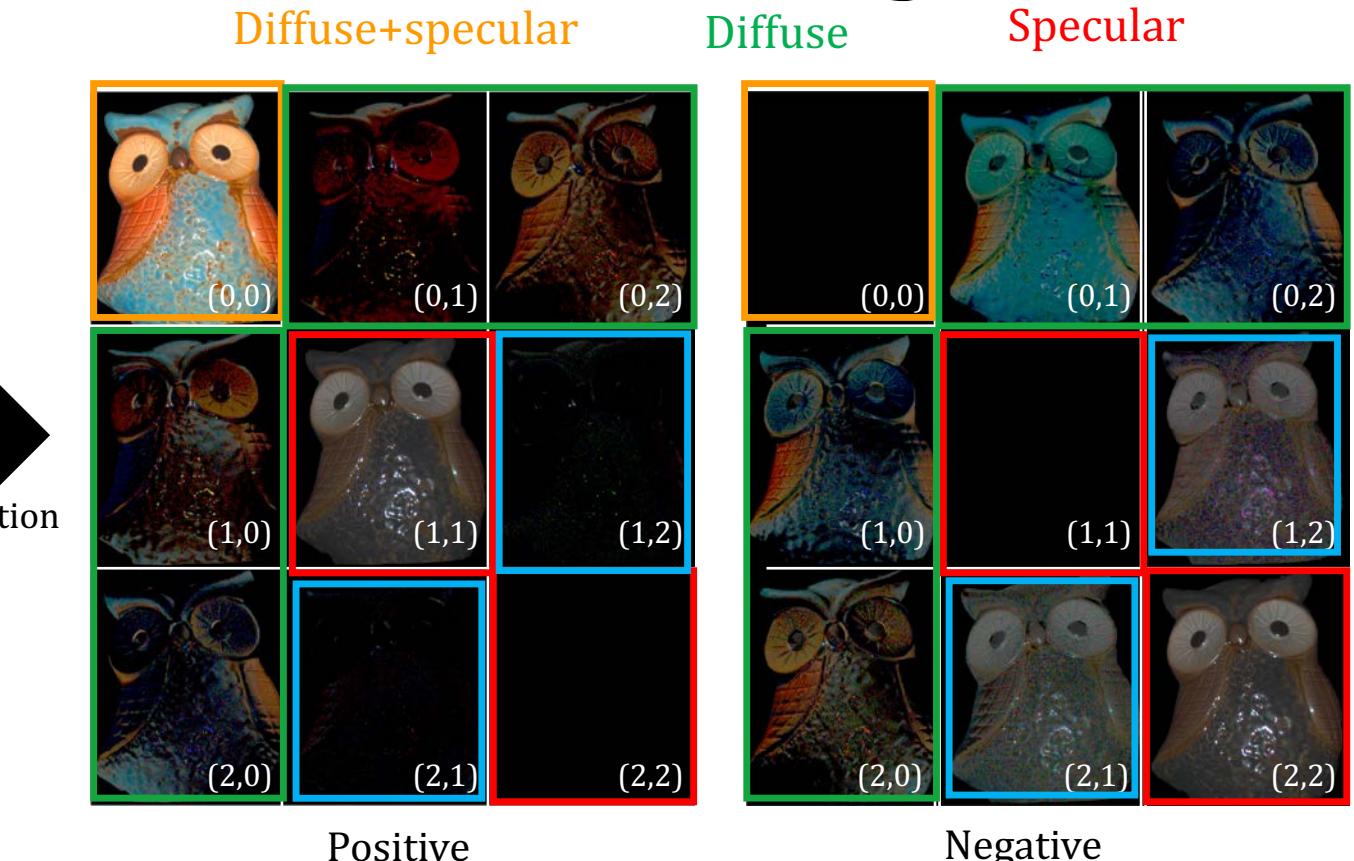
# Estimation of Polarimetric Shading Matrix



Optimization

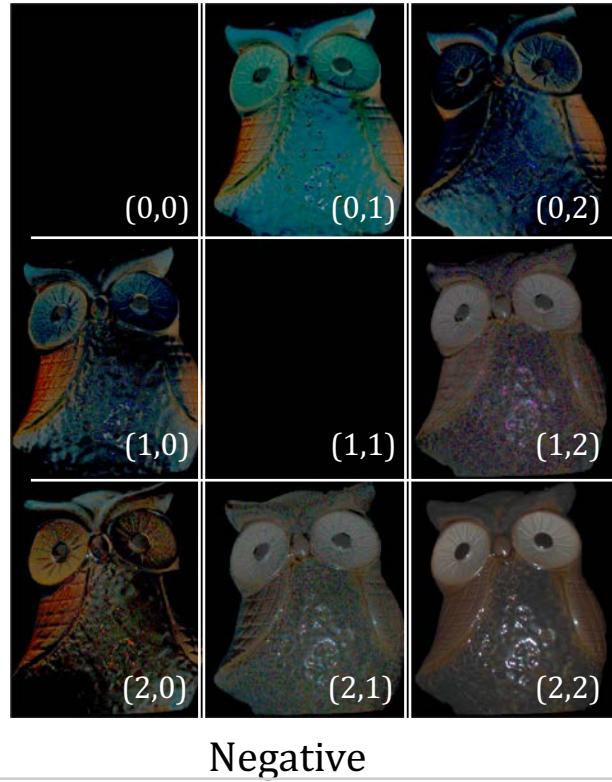
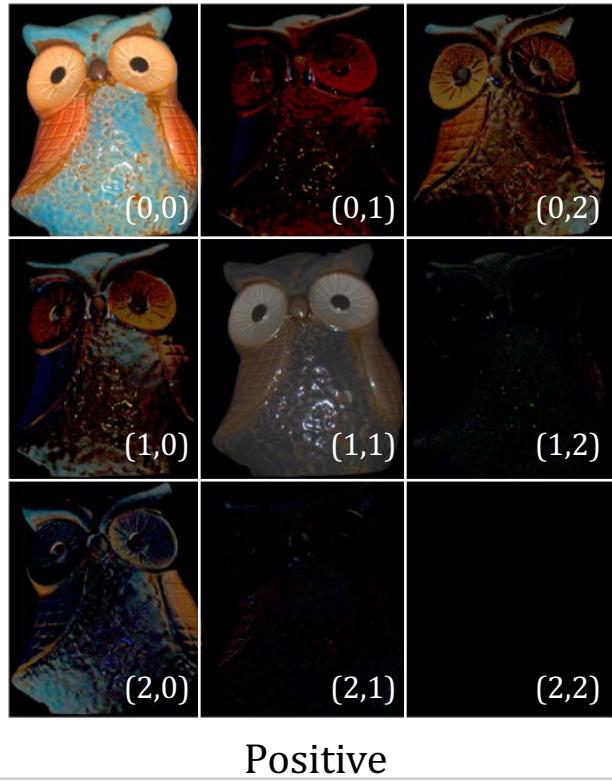
Polarimetric input images

$T$ : Fresnel transmission (diffuse)  
 $R$ : Fresnel reflection (specular)



$$\mathbf{H}_L \approx (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \begin{bmatrix} \rho T_o^+ T_i^+ + \mathcal{K}R^+ & \rho T_o^+ T_i^- \beta_i & -\rho T_o^+ T_i^- \alpha_i \\ \rho T_o^- T_i^+ \beta_o & \mathcal{K}R^+ & 0 \\ -\rho T_o^- T_i^+ \alpha_o & 0 & -\mathcal{K}R^+ \end{bmatrix}$$

# Polarimetric Inverse Rendering



## Surface appearance

- Surface normals
- Specular coefficient
- Surface roughness
- Refractive index
- Diffuse albedo

$$\mathbf{H}_L \approx (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \begin{bmatrix} \rho T_o^+ T_i^+ + \mathcal{K}R^+ & \rho T_o^+ T_i^- \beta_i & -\rho T_o^+ T_i^- \alpha_i \\ \rho T_o^- T_i^+ \beta_o & \mathcal{K}R^+ & 0 \\ -\rho T_o^- T_i^+ \alpha_o & 0 & -\mathcal{K}R^+ \end{bmatrix}$$

# Diffuse and Specular Decomposition



Diffuse + specular



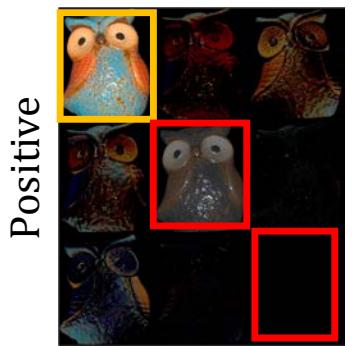
Specular



Diffuse



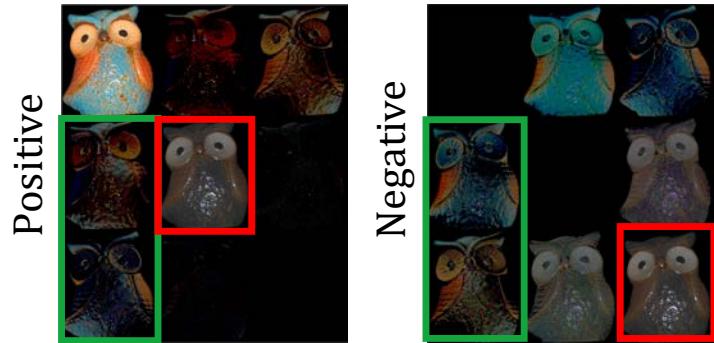
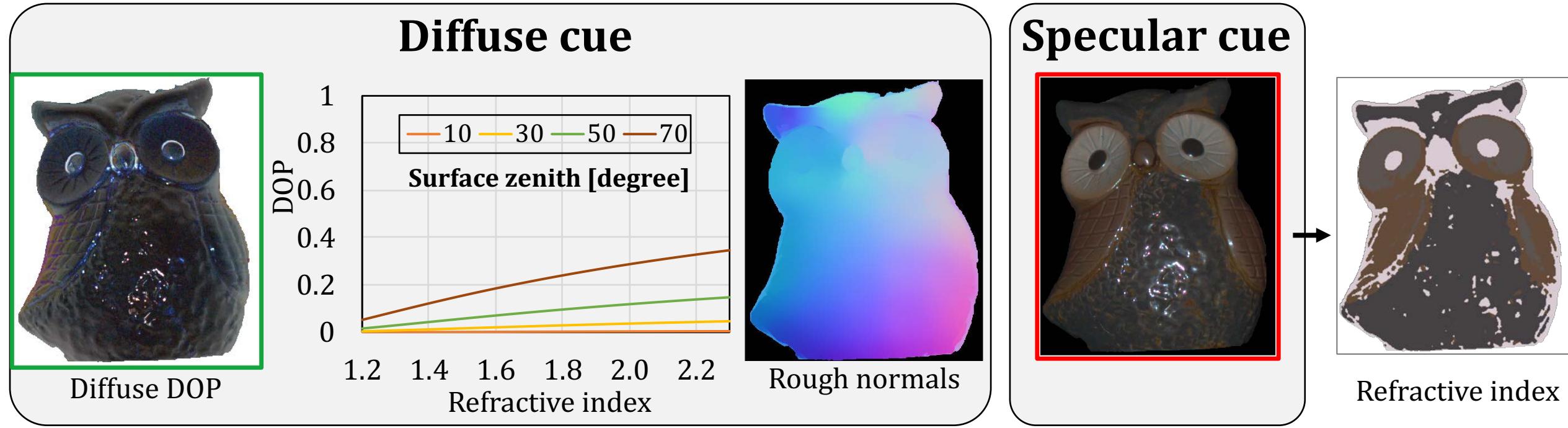
Cluster



Negative

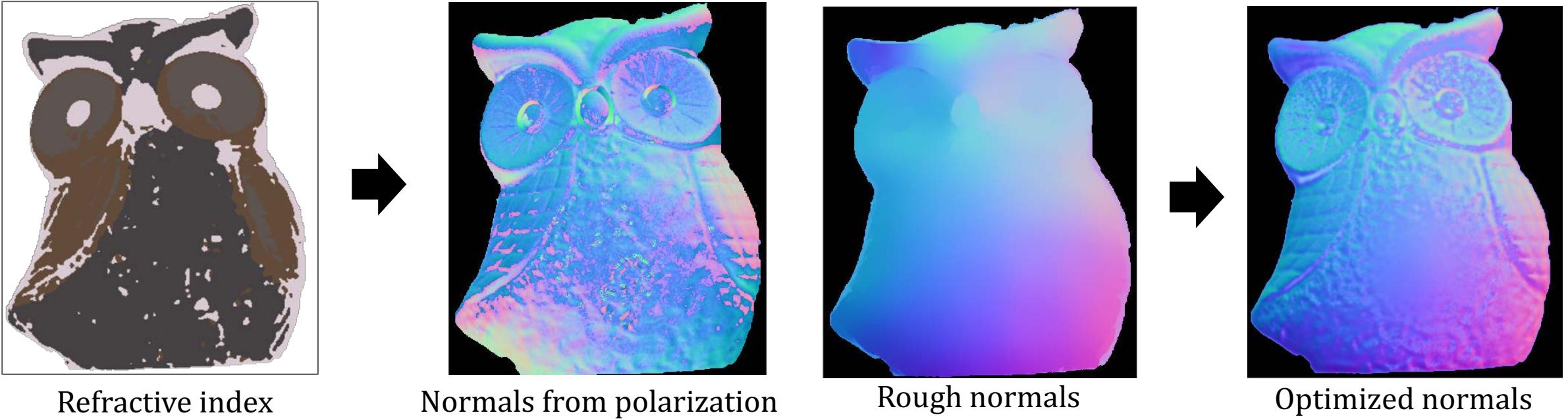
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# Refractive index



$$\mathbf{H}_L \approx (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \begin{bmatrix} \rho T_o^+ T_i^+ + \mathcal{K}R^+ & \rho T_o^+ T_i^- \beta_i & -\rho T_o^+ T_i^- \alpha_i \\ \rho T_o^- T_i^+ \beta_o & \boxed{\mathcal{K}R^+} & 0 \\ -\rho T_o^- T_i^+ \alpha_o & 0 & \boxed{-\mathcal{K}R^+} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Surface Normals

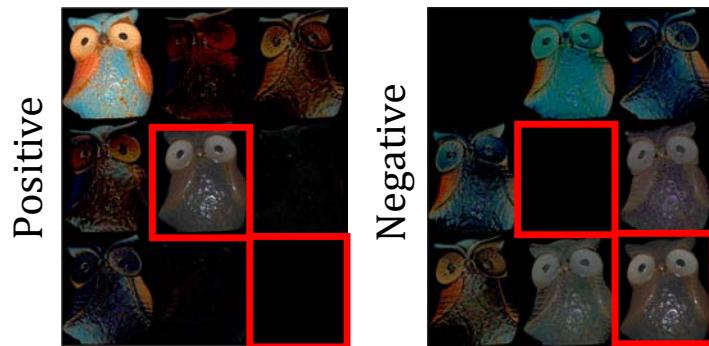
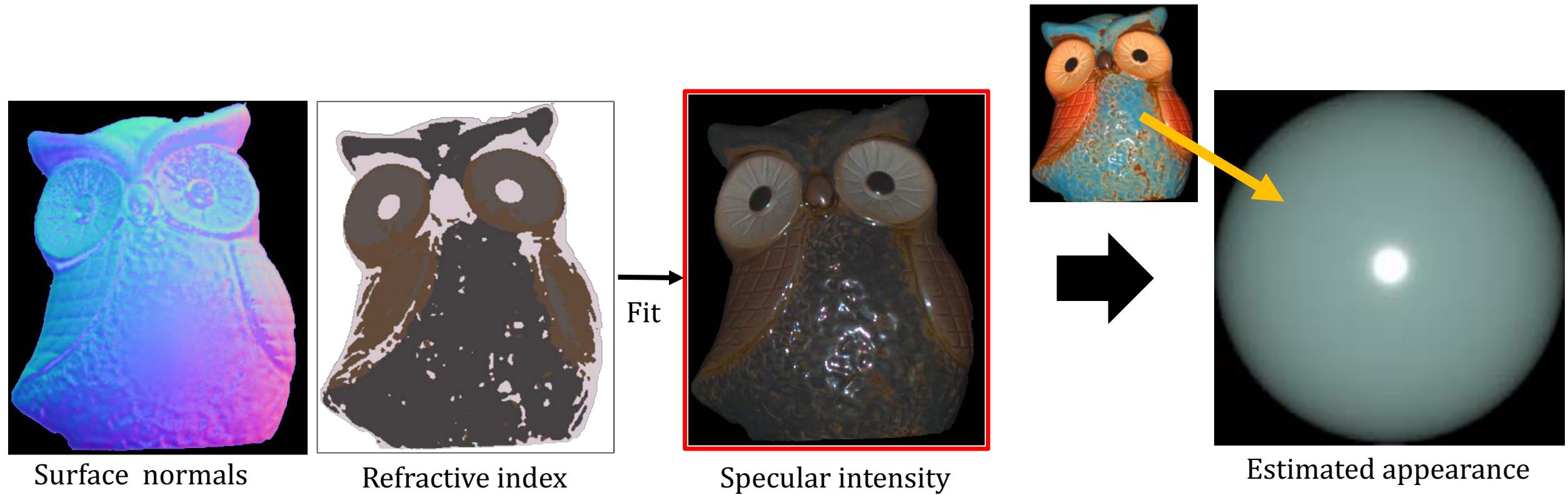


- Polarization normals → details
- Rough normals → structures
- Smoothness prior



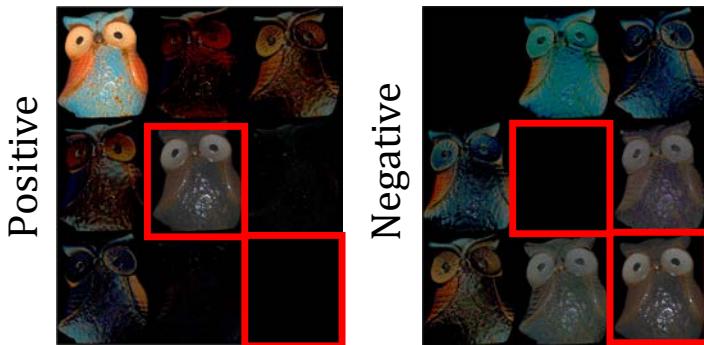
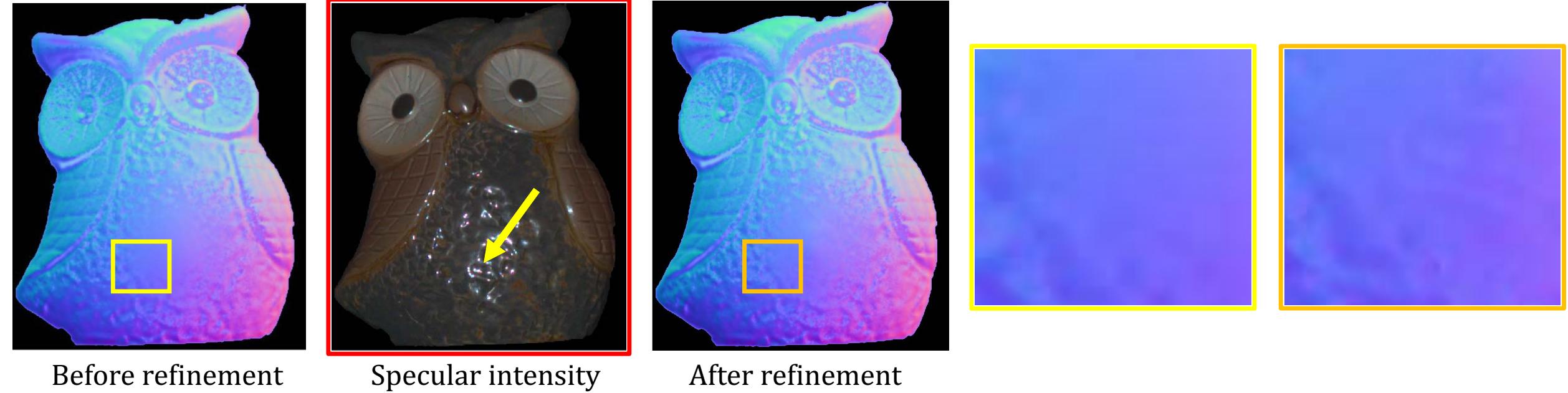
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# Surface Roughness and Specular Coefficient



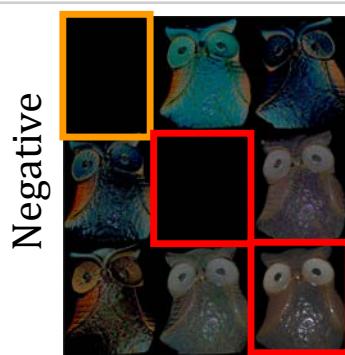
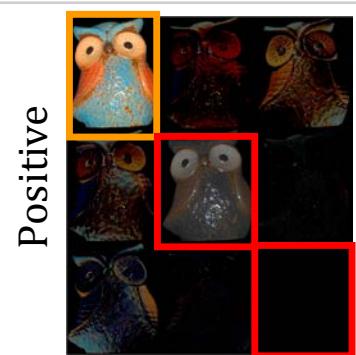
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# Refinement using Specular Intensity



$$\mathbf{H}_L \approx (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}) \begin{bmatrix} \rho T_o^+ T_i^+ + \mathcal{K}R^+ & \rho T_o^+ T_i^- \beta_i & -\rho T_o^+ T_i^- \alpha_i \\ \rho T_o^- T_i^+ \beta_o & \mathcal{K}R^+ & 0 \\ -\rho T_o^- T_i^+ \alpha_o & 0 & -\mathcal{K}R^+ \end{bmatrix}$$

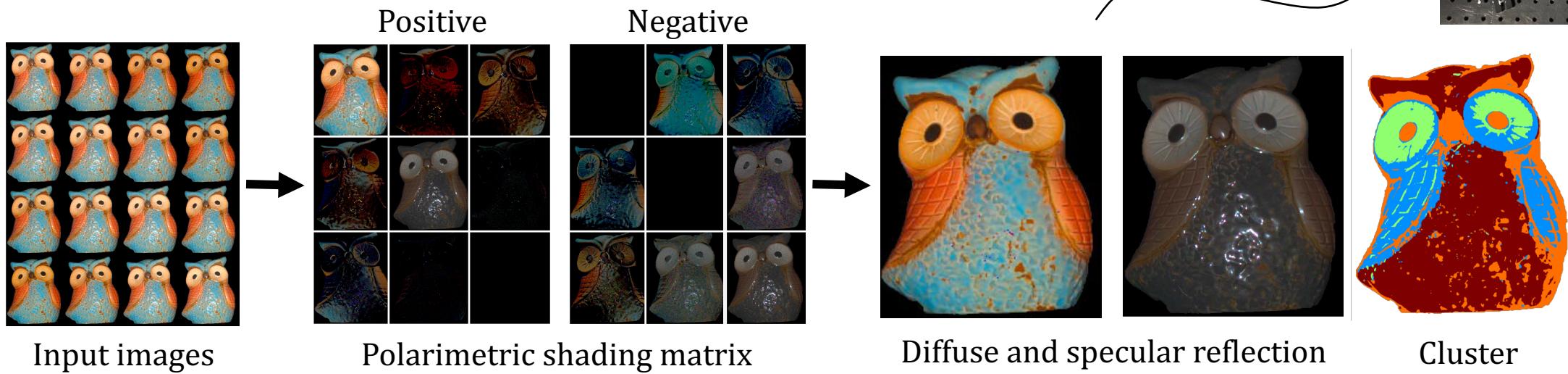
# Diffuse Albedo



$$\mathbf{H}_L \approx (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i})$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \rho T_o^+ T_i^+ + \mathcal{K}R^+ & \rho T_o^+ T_i^- \beta_i & -\rho T_o^+ T_i^- \alpha_i \\ \rho T_o^- T_i^+ \beta_o & \mathcal{K}R^+ & 0 \\ -\rho T_o^- T_i^+ \alpha_o & 0 & -\mathcal{K}R^+ \end{bmatrix}$$

# Summary



## Surface appearance



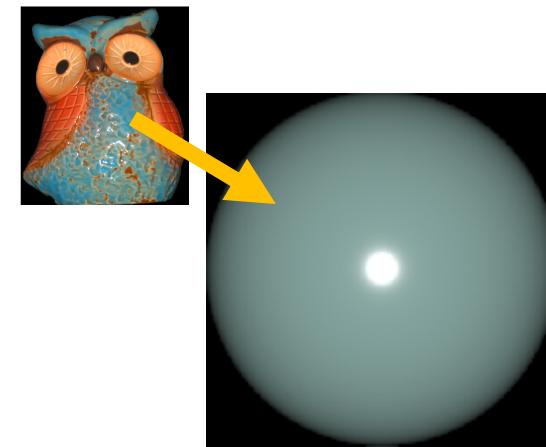
Surface normals



Diffuse albedo



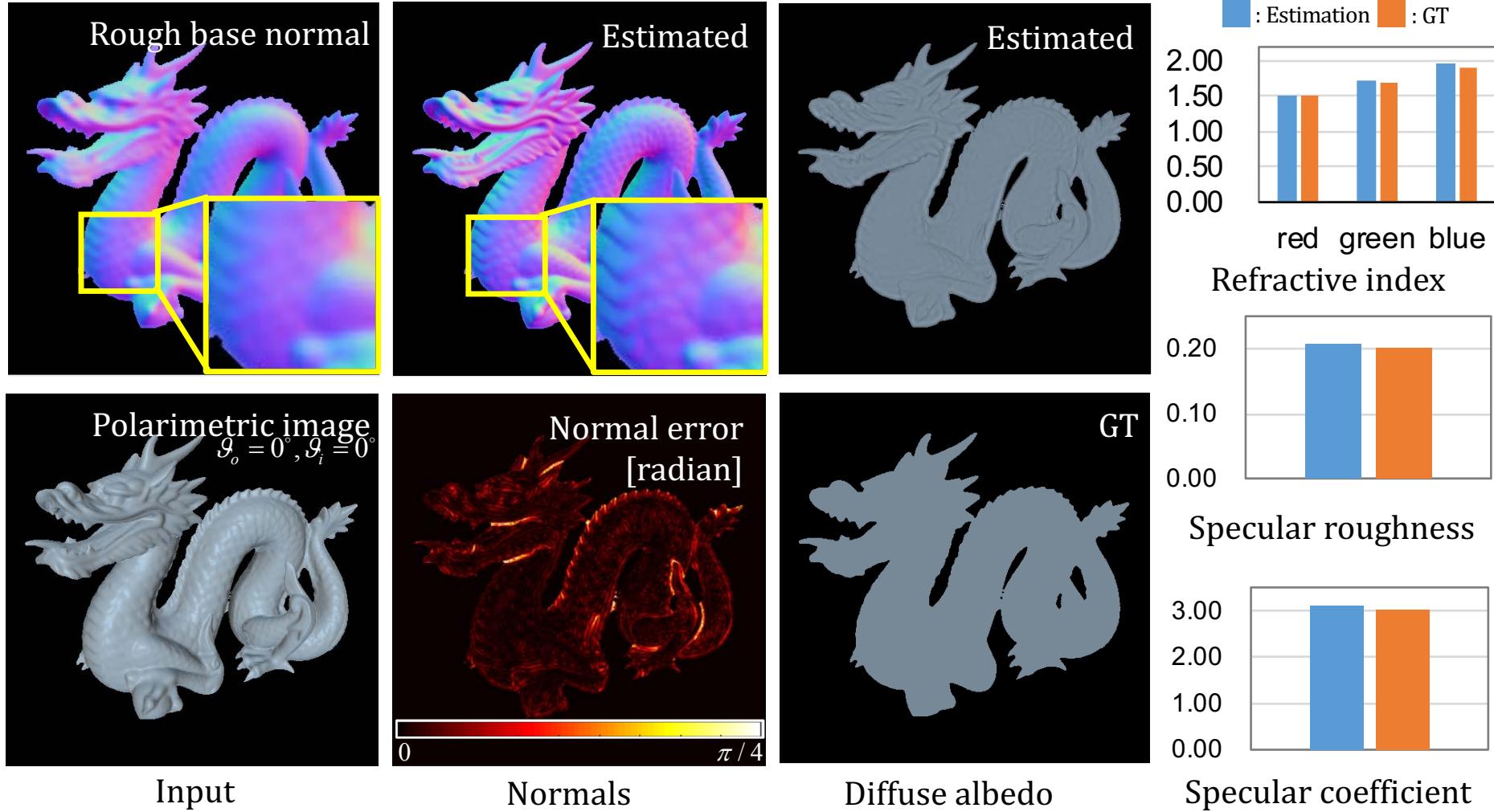
Refractive index



Specular coefficient and roughness 29

# Results

# Synthetic Results



# Real Results

Photograph



Normals



Diffuse albedo



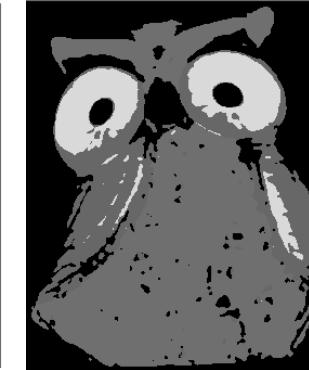
Refractive index



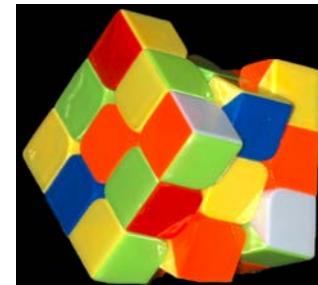
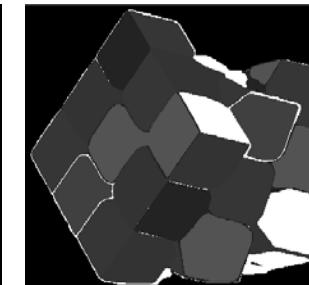
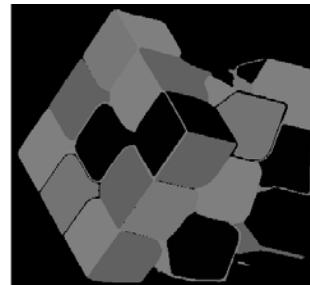
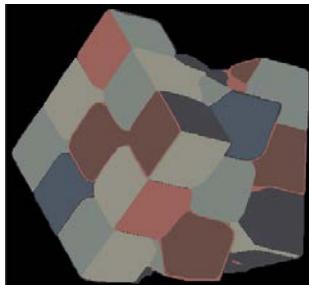
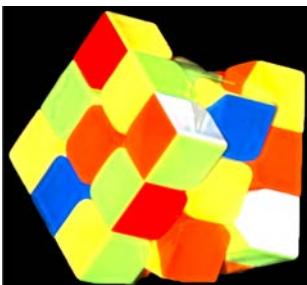
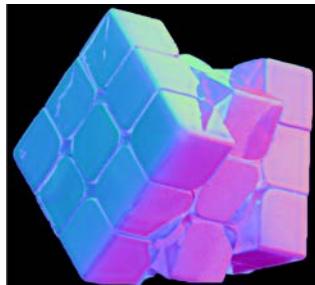
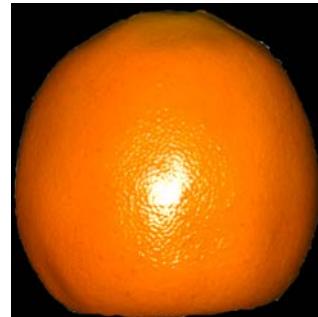
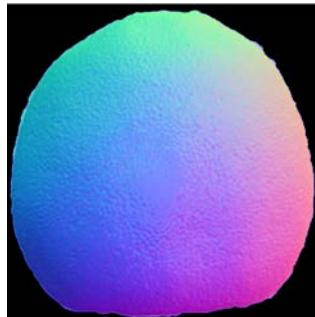
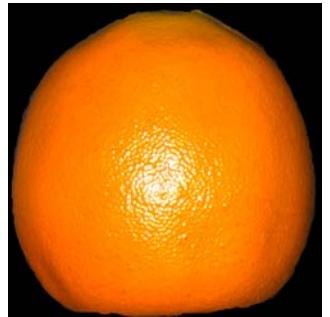
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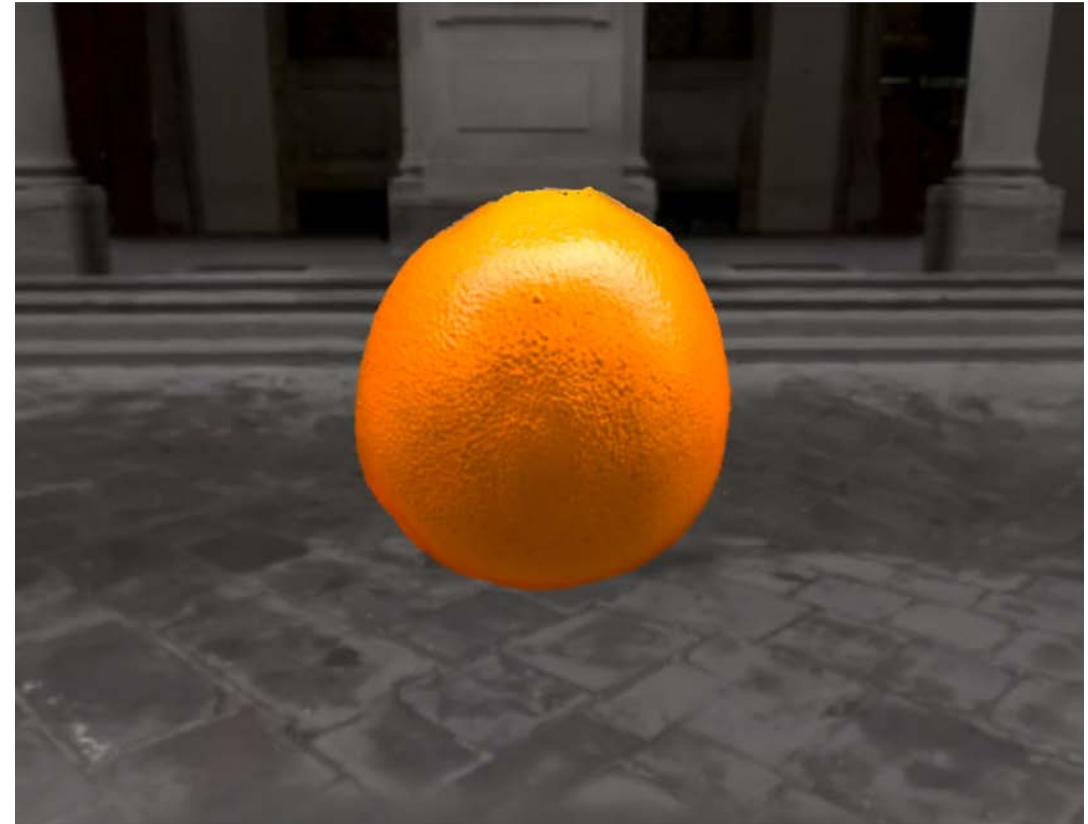
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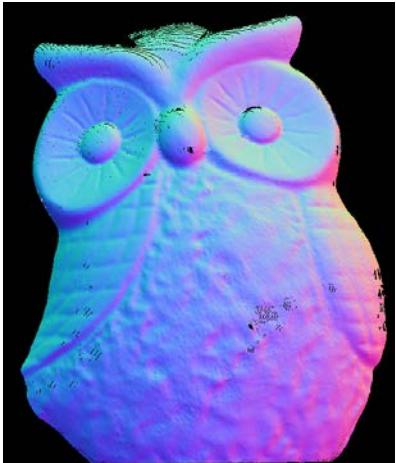
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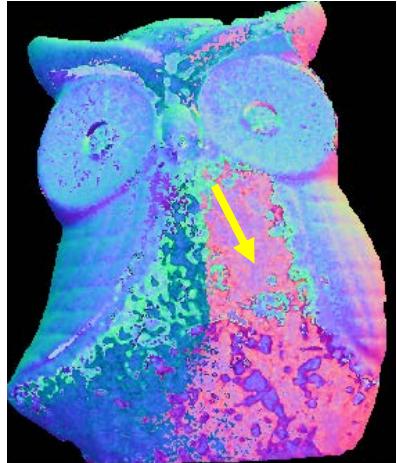
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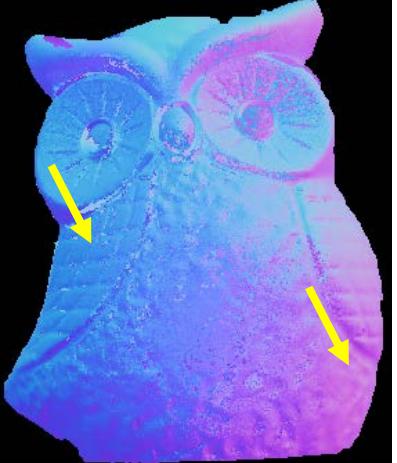
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Ground truth



Error



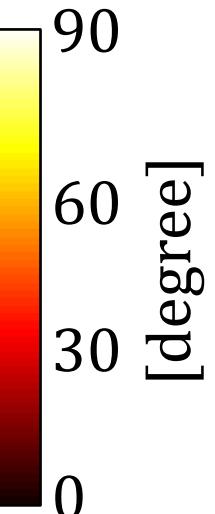
[Miyazaki 2003] [Kadambi 2015]



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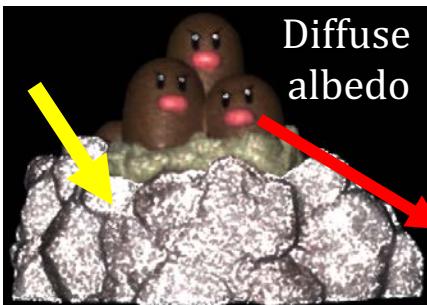
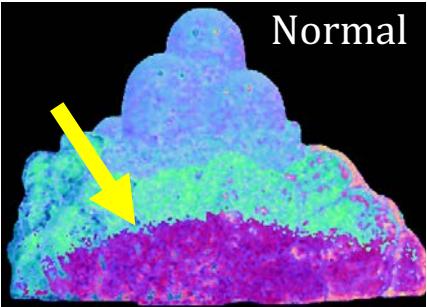
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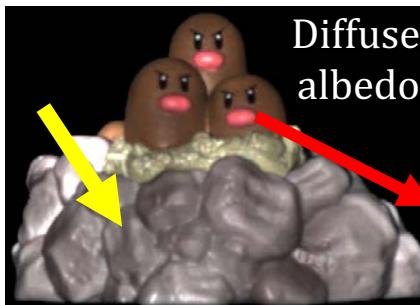
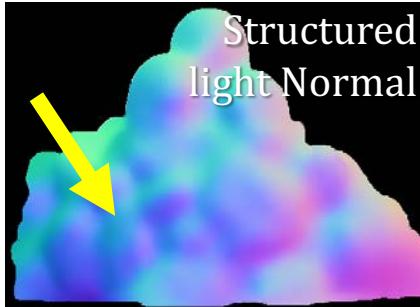
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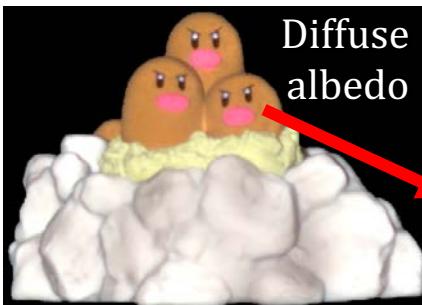
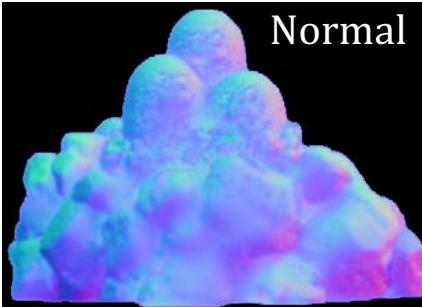
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[Miyazaki 2013]



Without polarization



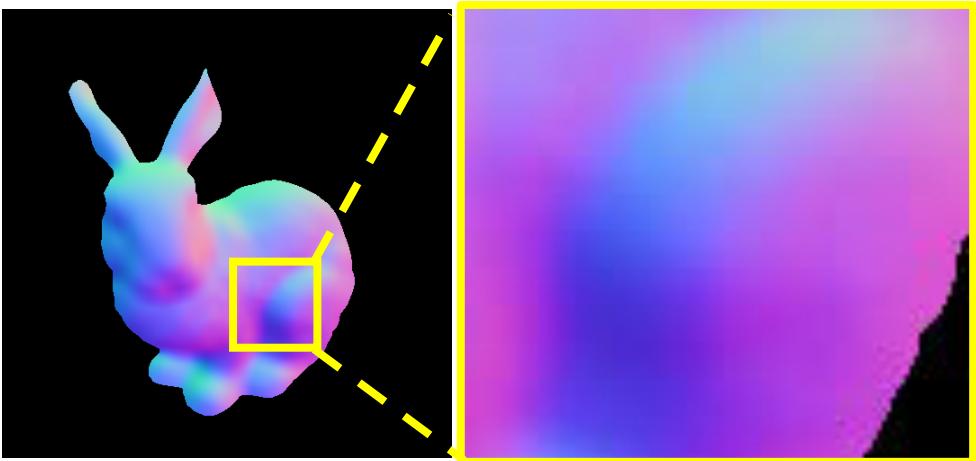
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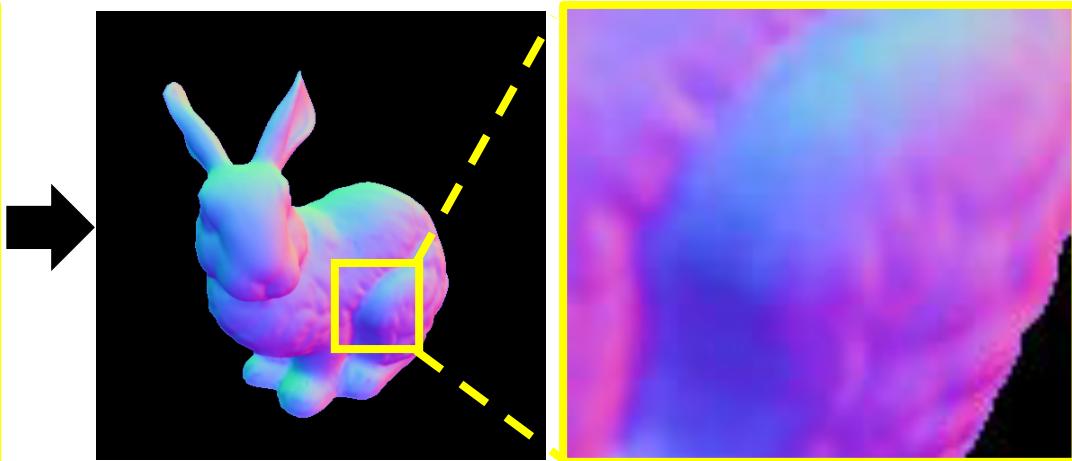
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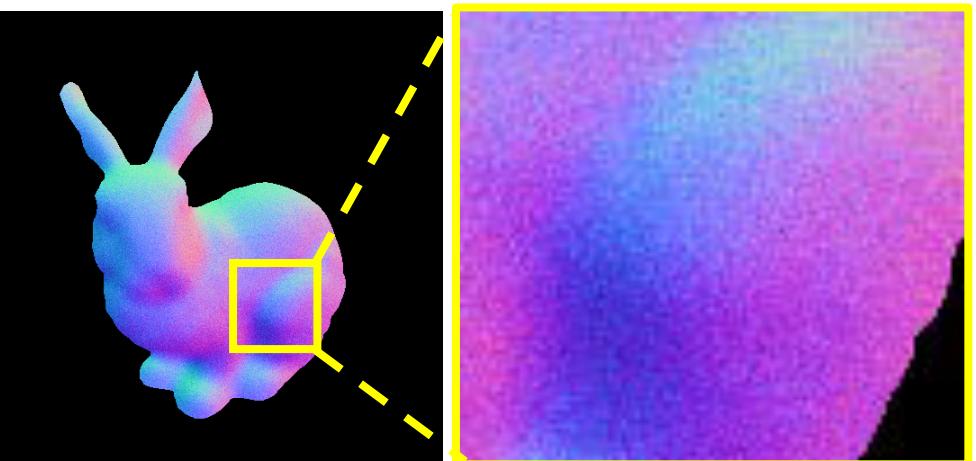
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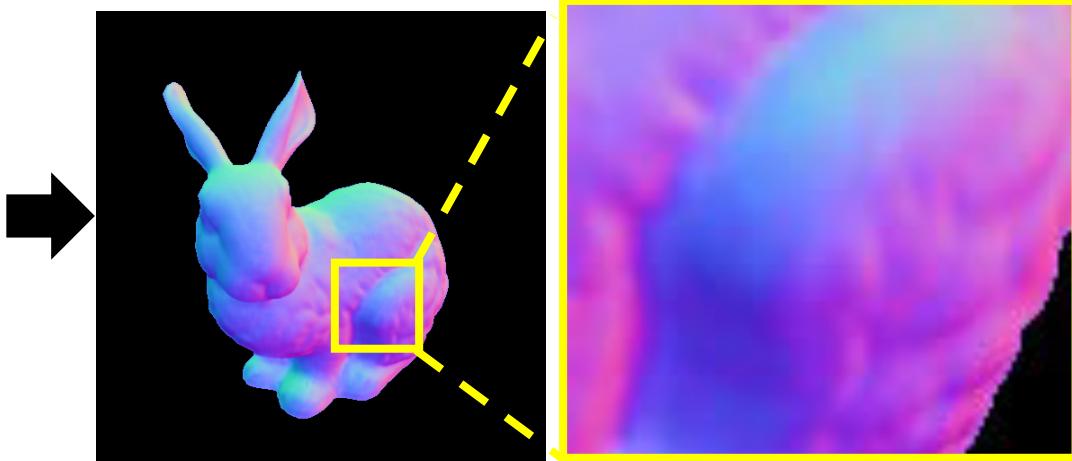
Input initial normals



Reconstruction



Input noisy normals

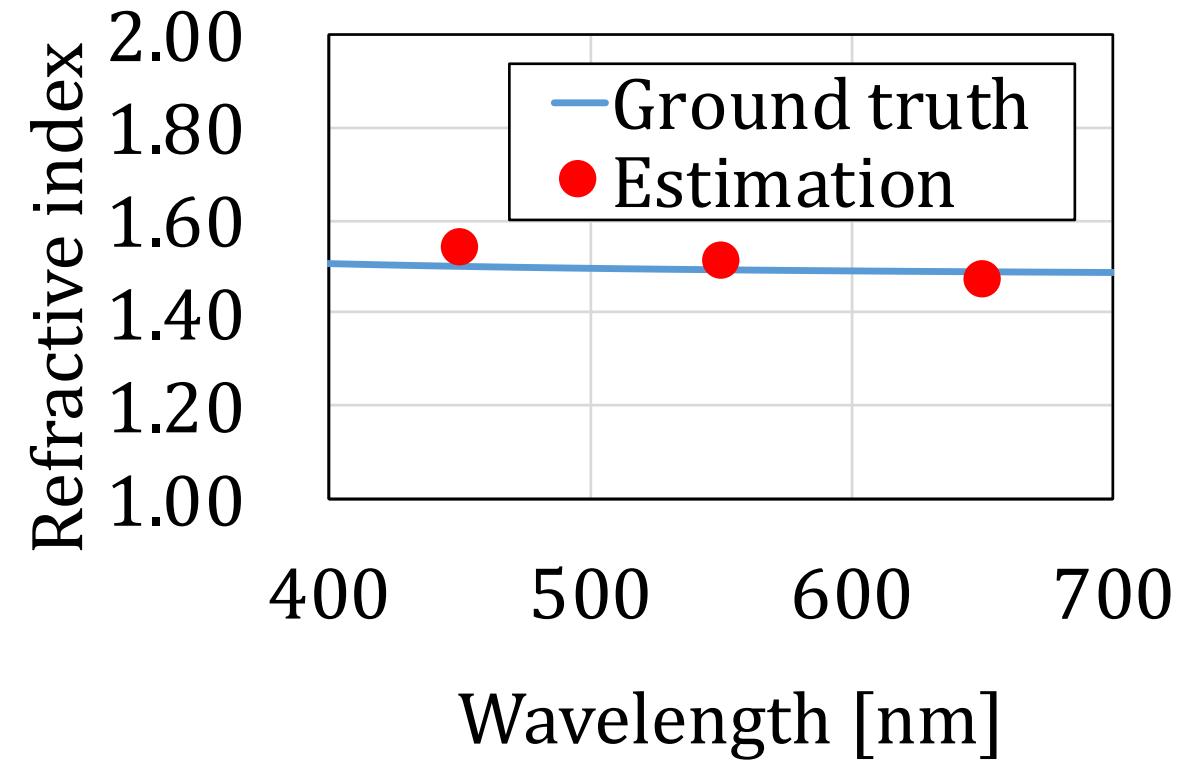


Reconstruction

# Evaluation of Refractive Index



Real object (Acrylic paint)



# Discussion

- pBRDF model
  - Multiple reflection among microfacets
  - Polarization-maintaining diffuse refraction
- Imaging setup
  - Circular polarization
  - No mechanical rotation of polarizers
- Inverse rendering method
  - Direct relation with material parameters with the polarization properties
  - Per-pixel estimation rather than using clustering

# Conclusion

- Analyze the **polarization state** of the light **in addition to its intensity** to estimate **surface appearance** information
  - Normals
  - Diffuse and specular appearance parameters

