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Practical Invisibility Cloaking

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Outline

1. Historical invisibility cloaking
2. Scientific cloaking in 2006- “Transformation Optics”
3. Initial ray optics cloaking- Unidirectional
4. ‘Paraxial’ cloaking-
Multidirectional ray optics cloaking +
matching full-field/wave “phase”
5. Digital cloaking



Invisibility in History and Fiction

- Greek “Cap of Invisibility” myths
 - Athena, Hermes and Perseus used it.
- Cloak of Invisibility
 - King Arthur, Jack the Giant Killer, Star Trek, Harry Potter, Lord of the Rings
- Chemicals
 - Invisible Man (H.G. Wells)



Invisibility in Magic Shows

- David Copperfield



- Science and Technology Museum
MadaTech

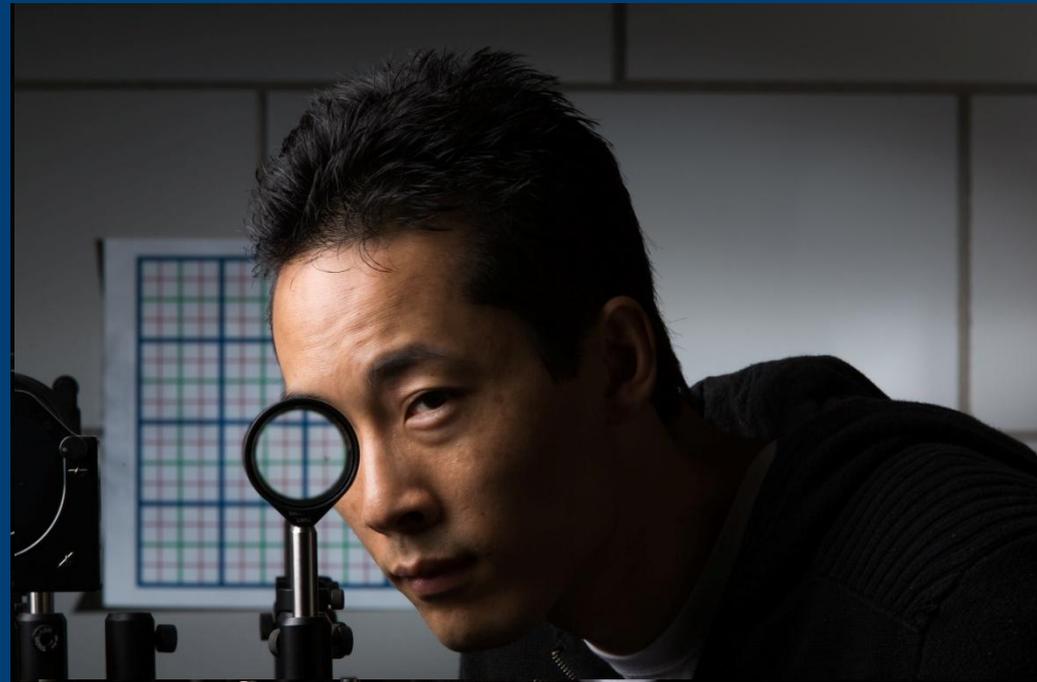


Define “Cloak” for Talk

- Not a wearable clothing, necessarily



- To “hide”
→ What we’ll use



Active Camera Cloaks

- Camera + screen: Schowengerdt (1994)
- Tachi Lab, Keio University, Japan
 - Original in 2003 ([Demo](#))
- Mercedes-Benz campaign in 2012 ([Mercedes-Benz link](#))
- Land Rover “Transparent Hood” (2014)



A New Beginning for Scientific Cloaking (2006)

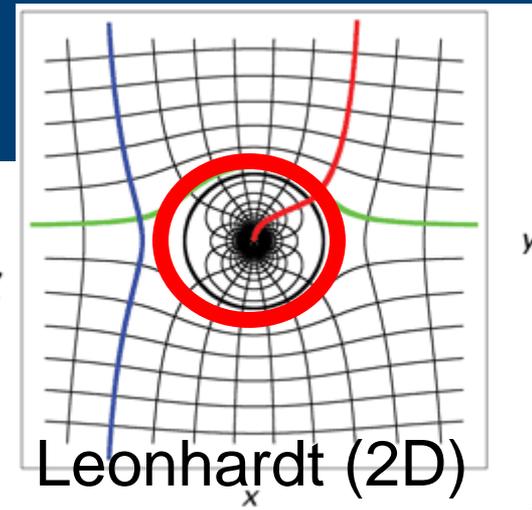
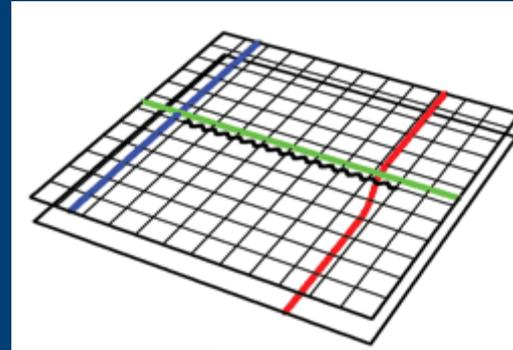
“TRANSFORMATION OPTICS”



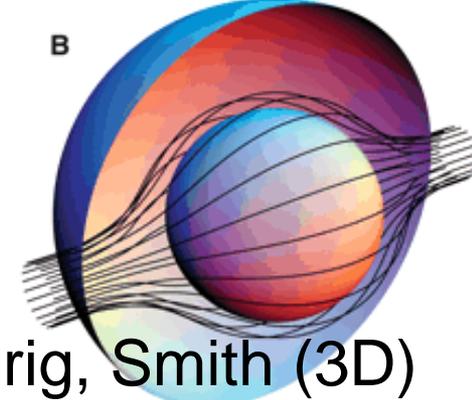
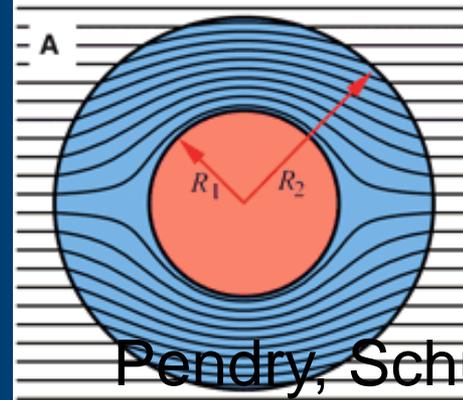
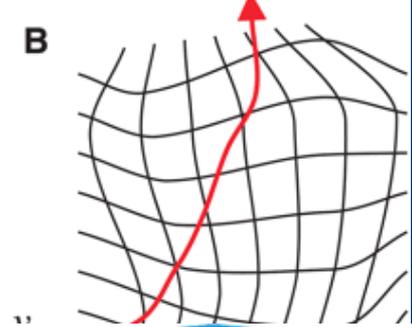
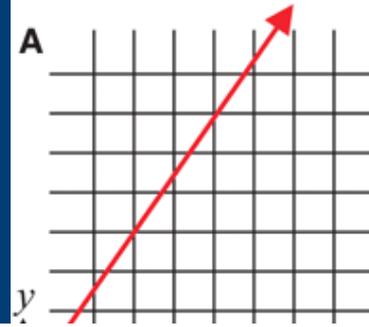
Transformation Optics

1. Create virtual space with **region** that light does not enter.
2. Map this to physical space through coordinate transformation.
3. Build physical space with artificial materials ('metamaterials') only.

→ In 2006, 2 research groups (*Science*)



Leonhardt (2D)

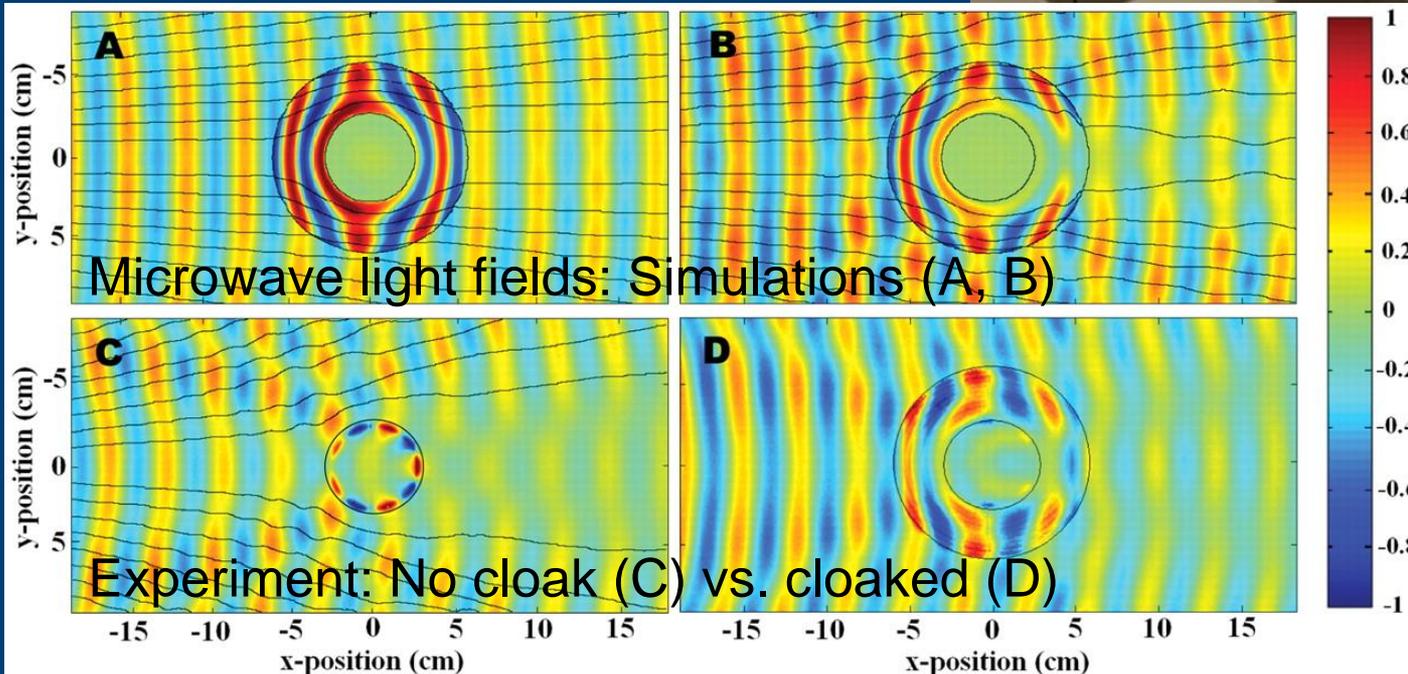
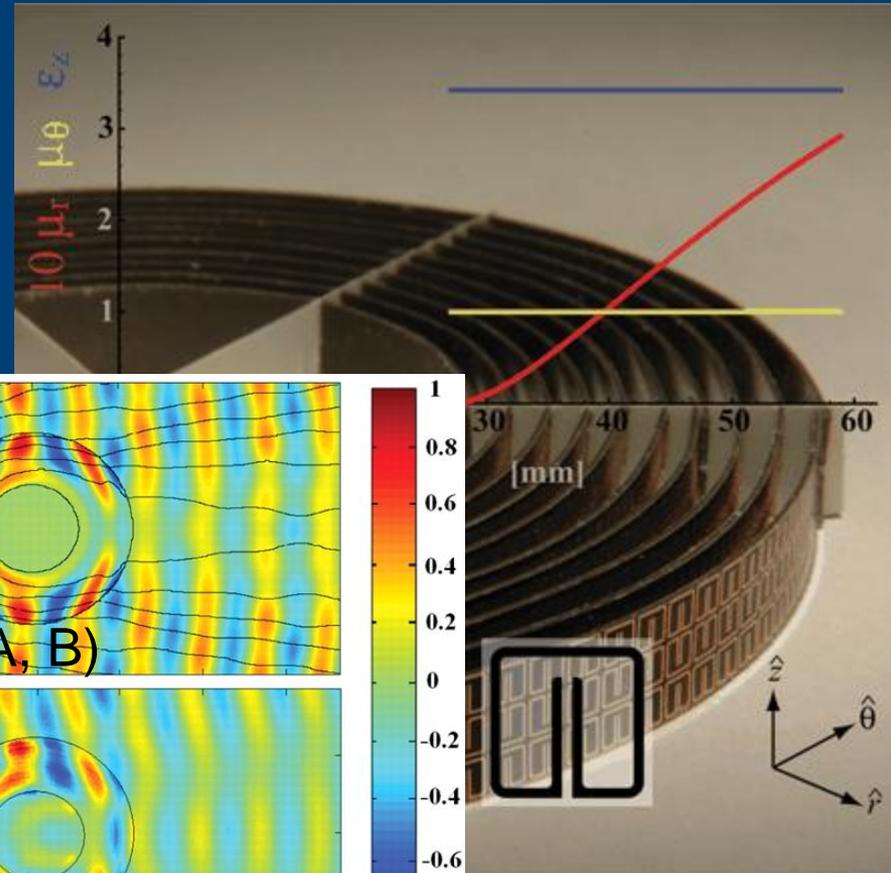


Pendry, Schurig, Smith (3D)



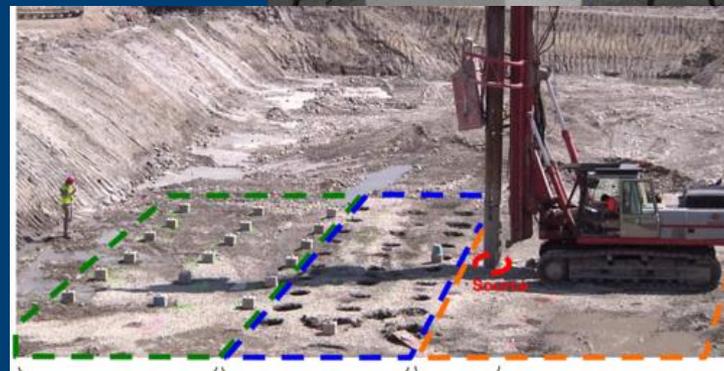
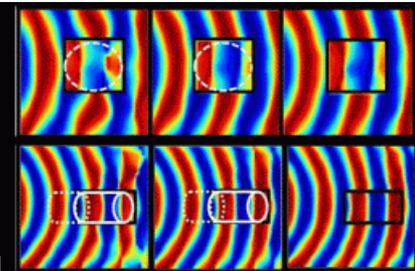
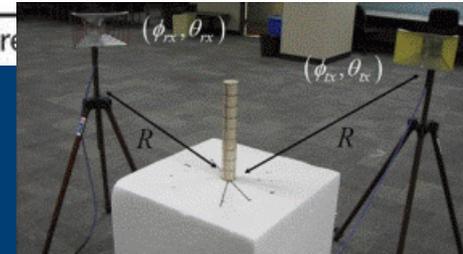
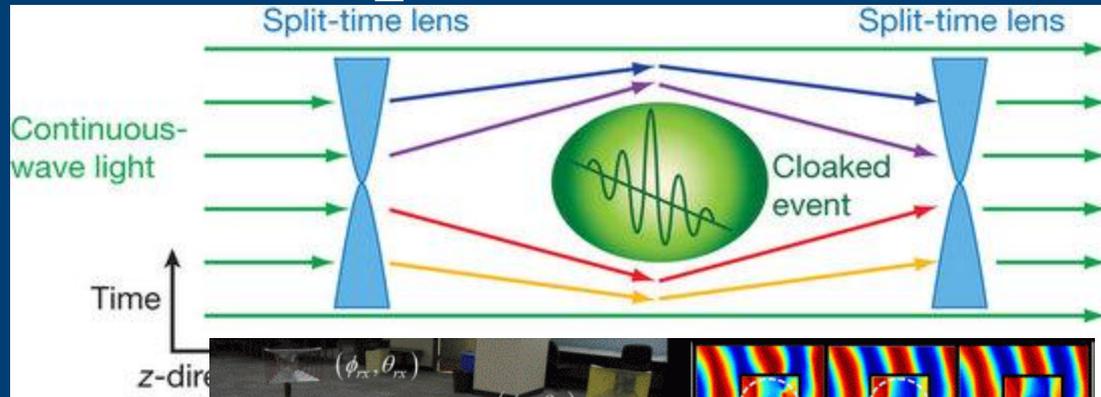
Microwave 2D Cloak (2006)

- First demonstration using Transformation Optics (Schurig et al.)
- For 2D, microwave using “split-ring resonators” (metamaterial)

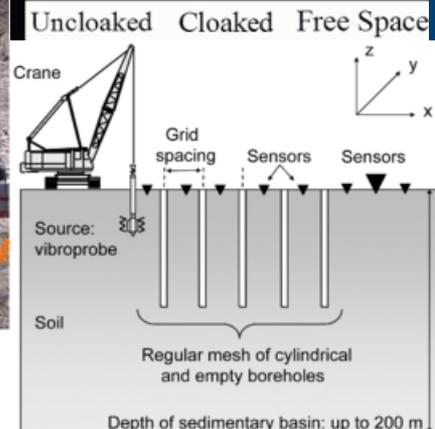


Transformation Optics (1)

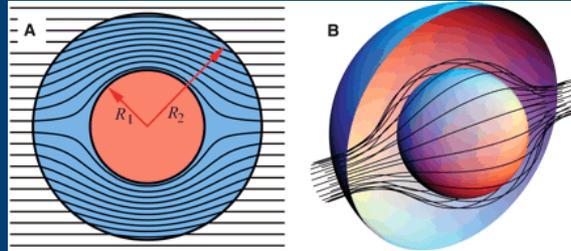
- Revolutionary for material design applications and cloaking.
- Omnidirectional
- Full field cloaking for entire light wave (phase + amplitude)
- Examples:
 - Time cloaking
 - Thin, radio wave cancelling cloak
 - Seismic cloaking



Sensitive three components velocimeters (green grid) Five meters deep 320 mm holes Source :
 - Frequency : 50 Hz
 - Horizontal displacement : 14 mm



Why Ray Optics Cloaking?



<u>'Ideal' Cloak Properties</u>	Transformation Optics	Initial Ray Optics Cloaking
Broadband	Difficult	Excellent
Visible spectrum		
Isotropic		
Macroscopic scalability	Some challenges	~No (1 or discrete freq.)
3D	Excellent	
Full-field (phase+amplitude)	Excellent	1 or discrete directions
Omnidirectional		

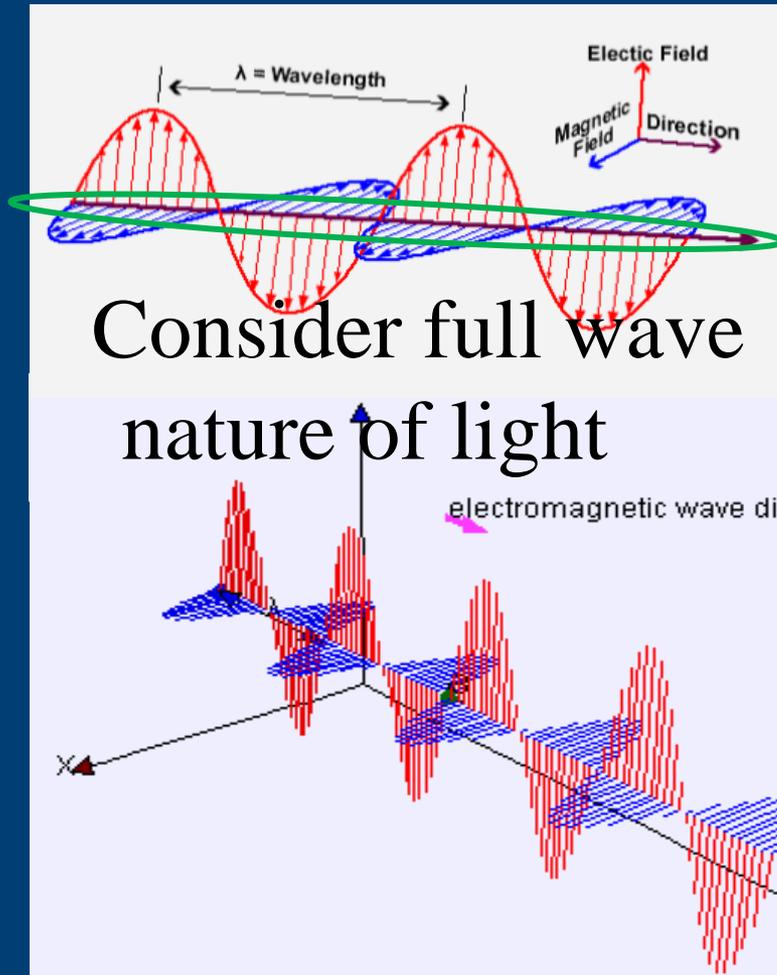


Unidirectional

RAY OPTICS CLOAKING

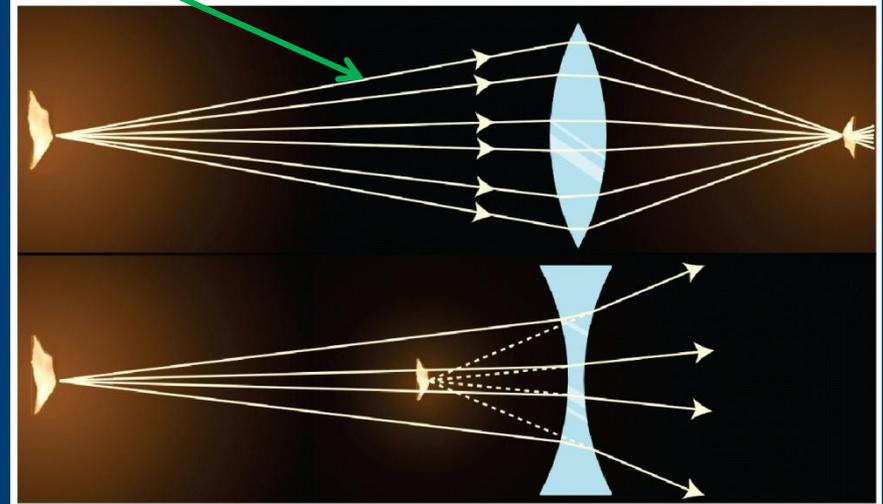


Full Field Optics



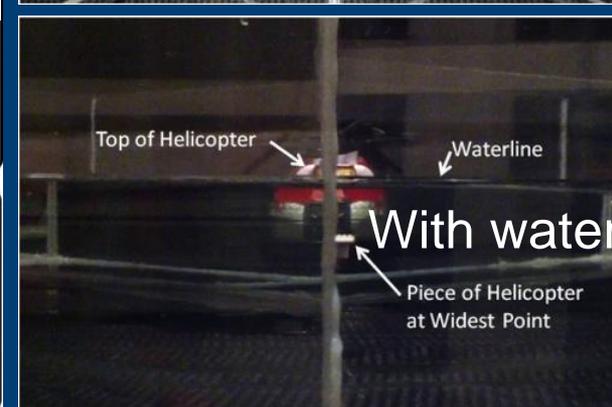
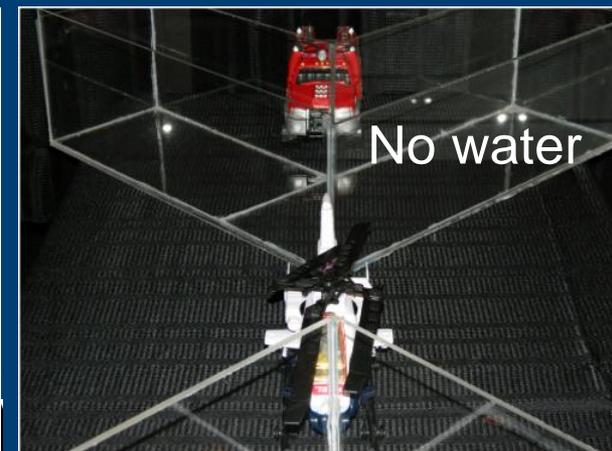
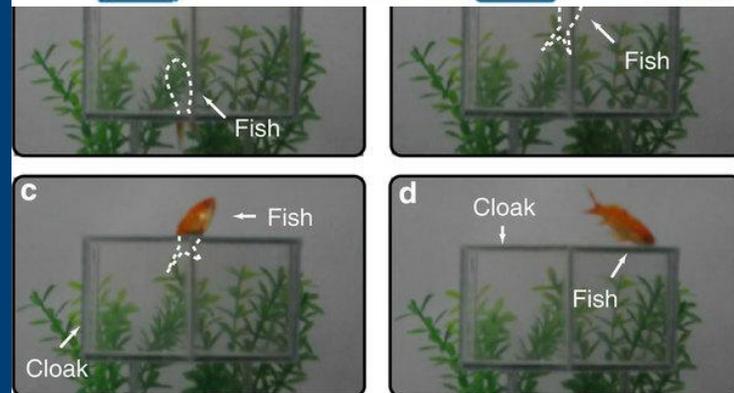
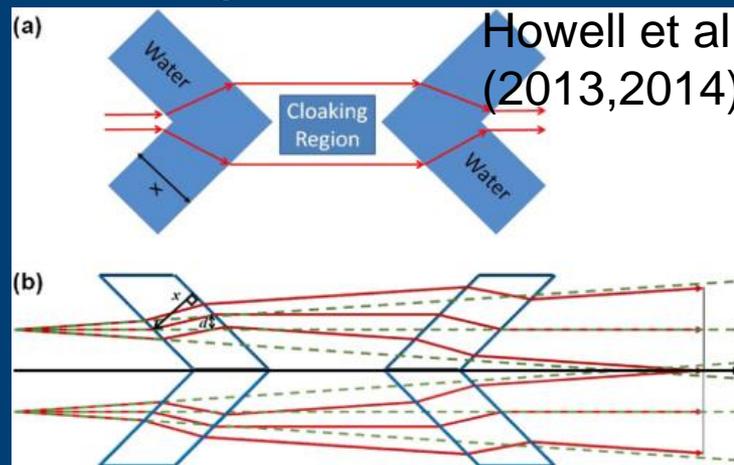
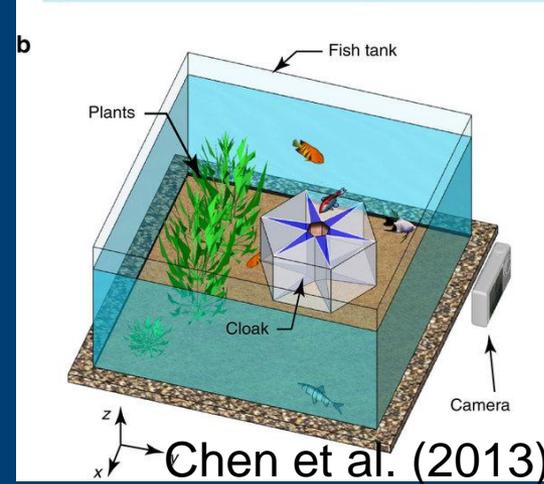
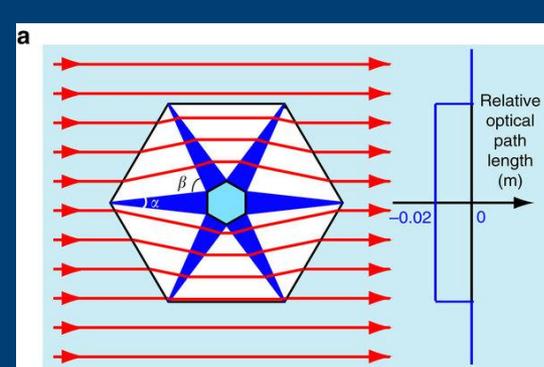
Ray Optics

- Only consider direction and power
- Easier



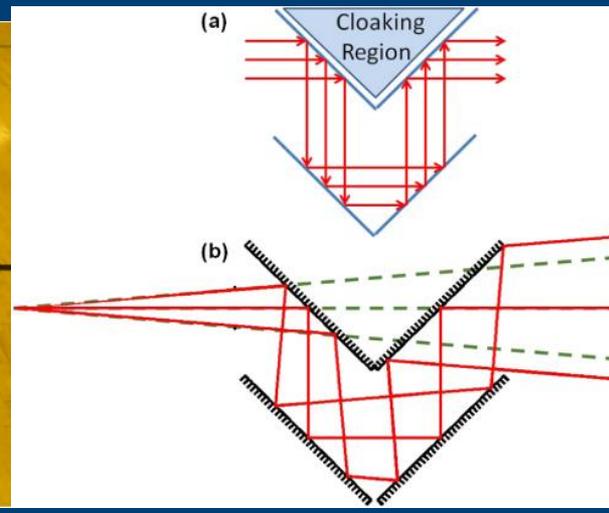
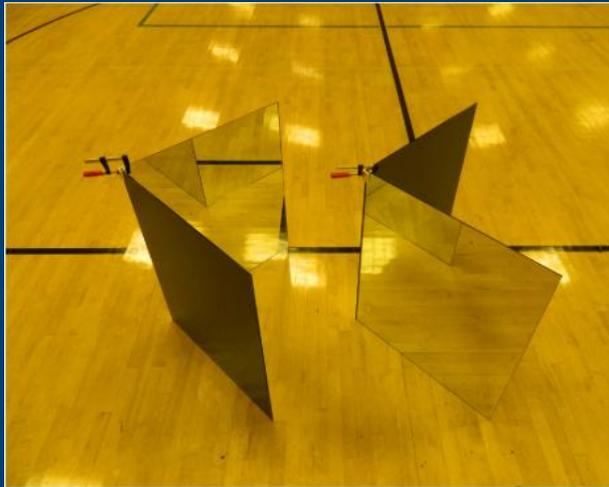
Ray Optics Cloaking

- Macroscopic, visible light cloaks
- Unidirectional, or discretely multidirectional
- Other directions: Background shift, cloak revealed



UR Ray Optics Mirror Cloak (2013)

- University of Rochester (UR)- Prof. John Howell and sons (2013 in arXiv)
- Magnification not 1, unidirectional



[J. C. Howell, J. B. Howell, and J. S. Choi, Applied Optics 53, 1958 \(2014\).](#)



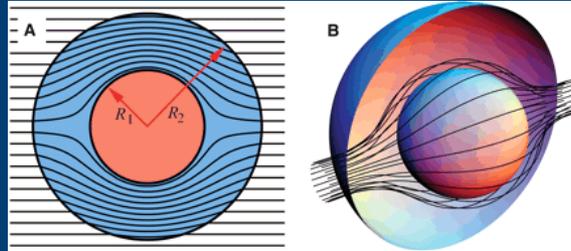


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PARAXIAL RAY OPTICS CLOAKING



Why Paraxial Ray Optics Cloaking?

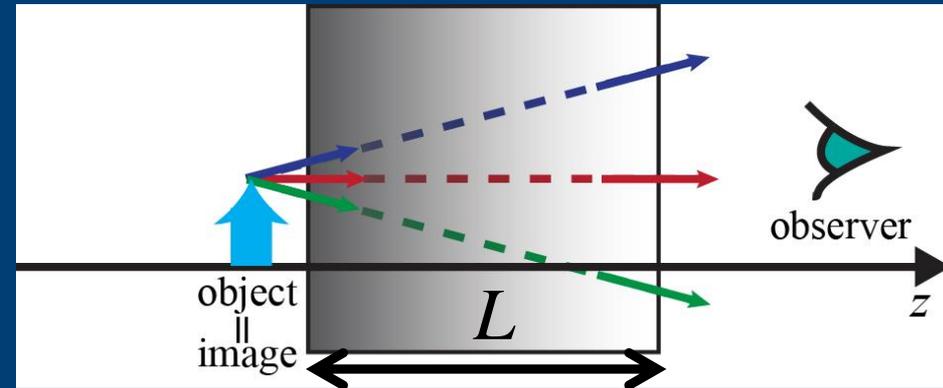


<u>'Ideal' Cloak Properties</u>	Transformation Optics	Paraxial Ray Optics Cloaking
Broadband	Difficult	Excellent
Visible spectrum		
Isotropic		
Macroscopic scalability		
3D	Some challenges	~No (1 or discrete freq.)
Full-field (phase+amplitude)	Excellent	
Omnidirectional		Continuous multidirections



Cloaking: Paraxial Geometric Optics

- Use ‘paraxial’ formalism (small-angle $\sim 30^\circ$ or less).
- Assume $n=n'=n_{\text{air}}=n_{\text{free space}}=1$.
- Perfect Cloak:
 1. System = Empty space of same length (L)
 2. Non-zero volume hidden
- ABCD Matrix = ?



‘Translation’ Matrix

→ Object + device = empty space.

Note: Geometric Optics formalism is inherently 3D and multidirectional.

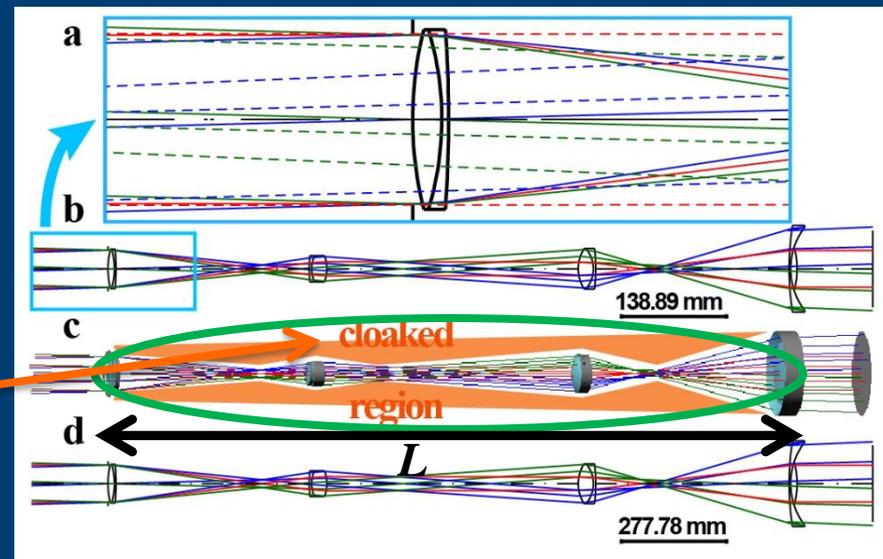
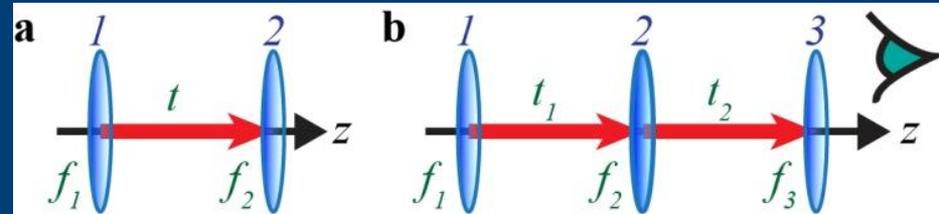
$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}_{\text{PerfectCloak}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & L \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



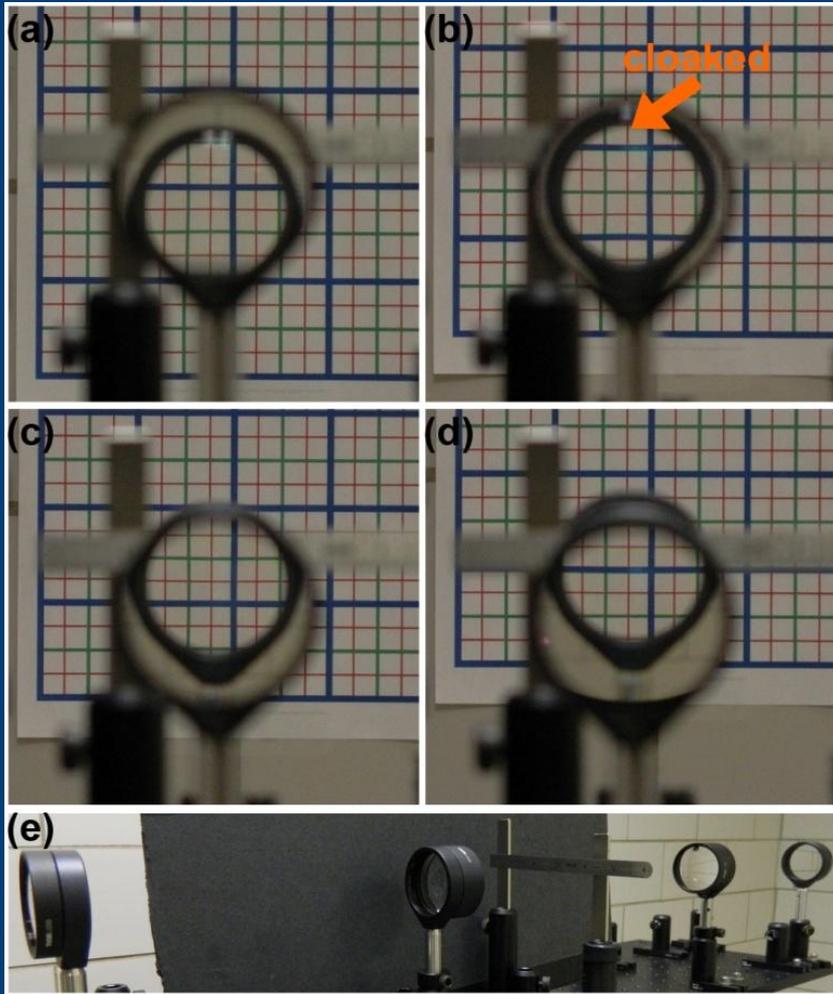
Paraxial Cloaking Design

- Try to find simplest design that satisfies:
- Use rotationally symmetric, thin lenses.
- 1-2 lenses: No optical power, so no cloakable space.
- 3 lenses: Asymptotically can approach 'perfect' cloak.
- At least 4 lenses required to build 'perfect' cloak:
 - System = Empty space of same length.
 - Non-zero volume to hide an object.

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}_{\text{PerfectCloak}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & L \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



4 Lens “Rochester Cloak” Results



1. Background image matches (lenses = empty space).
→ Magnification = 1, afocal (no net focusing power)
2. Cloaking works for continuous range of directions.
3. Edge effects (paraxial nature), center axis must not be blocked.

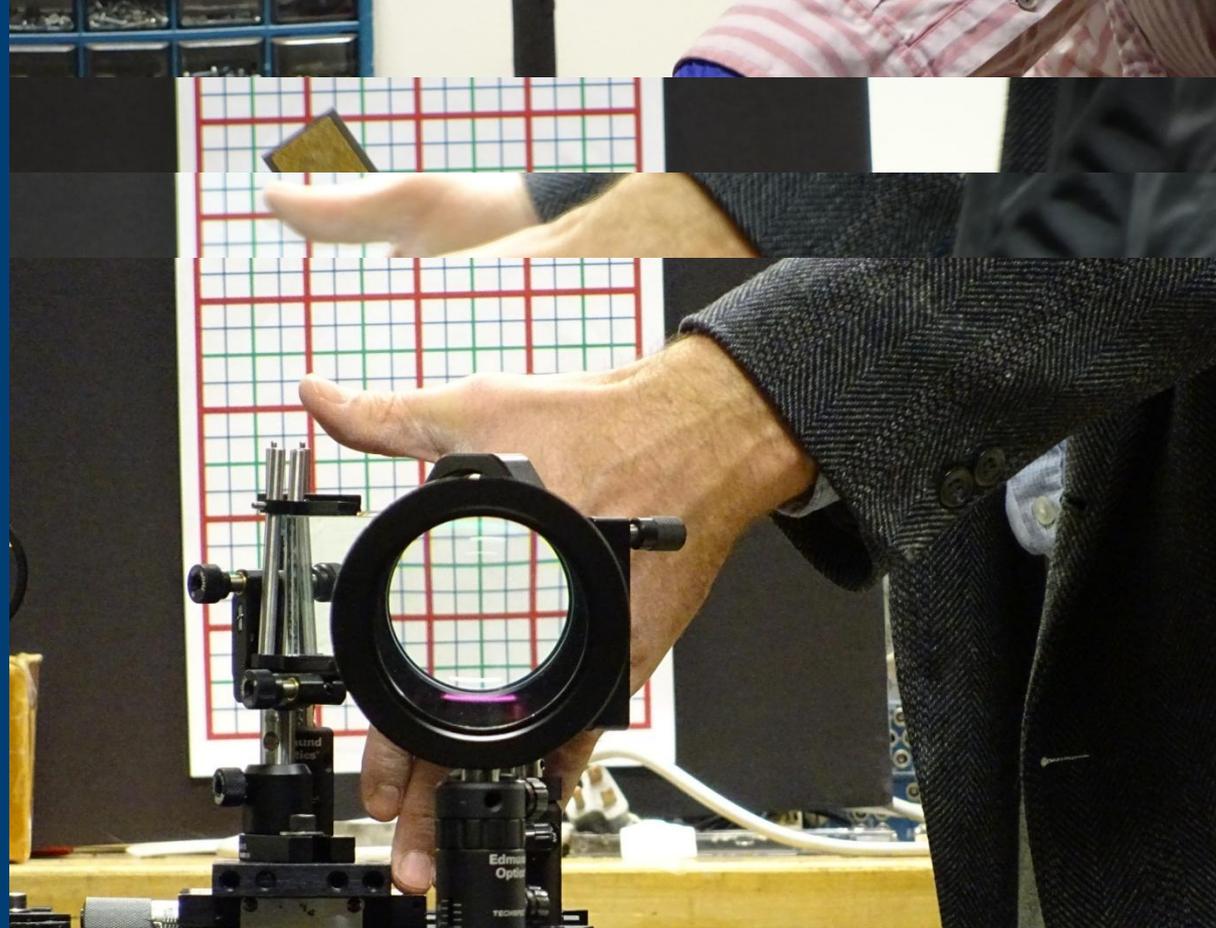
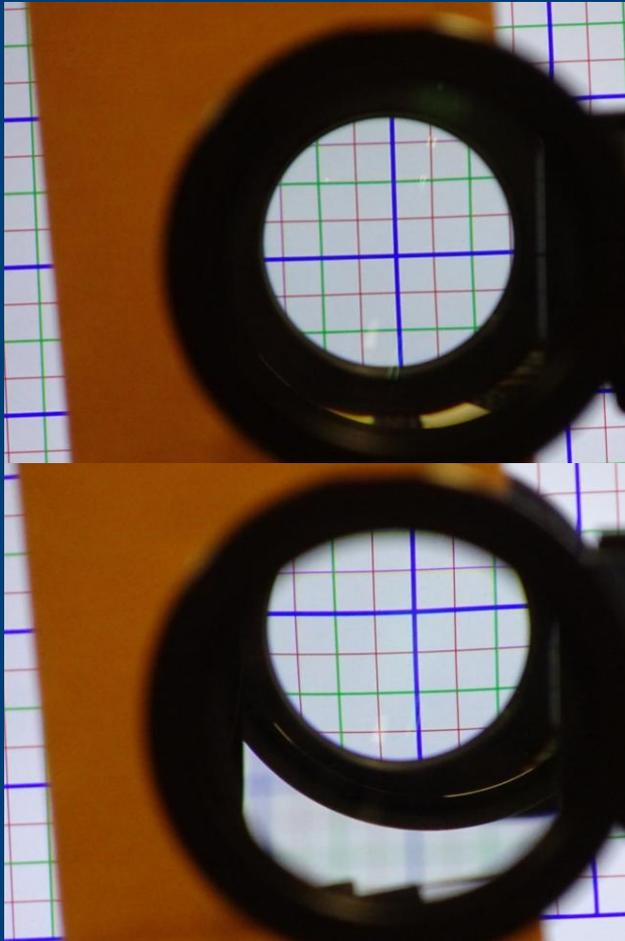
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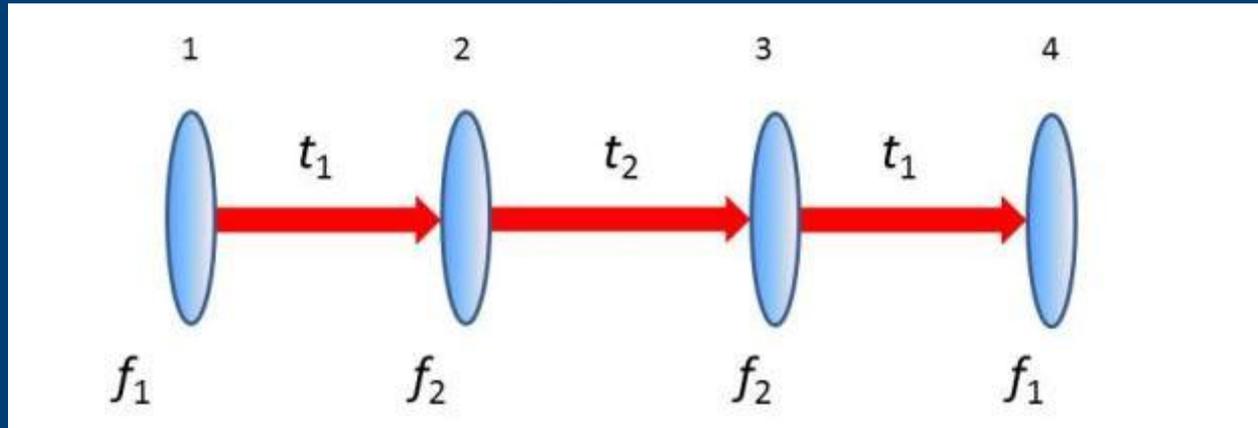
Rochester Cloak 2

Edmund Optics 3" achromats:

- ~2x field-of-view, 1.5x cloaking diameter (compared to original).
- Center-axis region cloaked as well.



Alignment



- Very sensitive to distances between lenses:
~1% change in t_1 , t_2 , t_3 can change magnification = 1 to ~50% instead; 1mm counts.
- Tips:
 - Account for lens surface location on mount .
 - Use collimated input beam and check for collimation after lenses 1 & 2, lenses 3 & 4 pairs.
 - Magnification should be 1.
 - t_2 controls the image for multidirectional viewing angles.



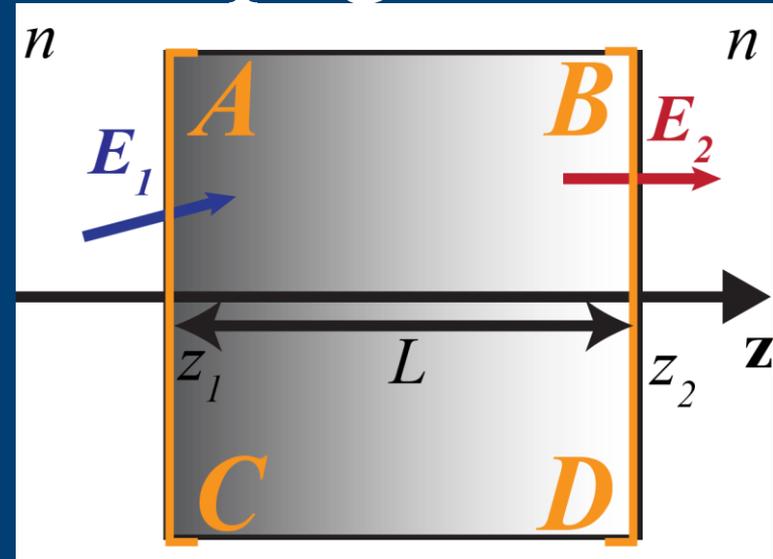
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PARAXIAL FULL-FIELD CLOAKING



Paraxial Full-field Propagation

- Huygens's integral in Fresnel (paraxial) approximation-
Diffractive propagation.
(E_2 = output field, E_1 = input field)



$$\tilde{E}_2(x_2, y_2) = \frac{ie^{-ik_0 L_0}}{B\lambda_0} \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_1(x_1, y_1) \exp \left\{ -i \frac{\pi}{B\lambda_0} \right.$$

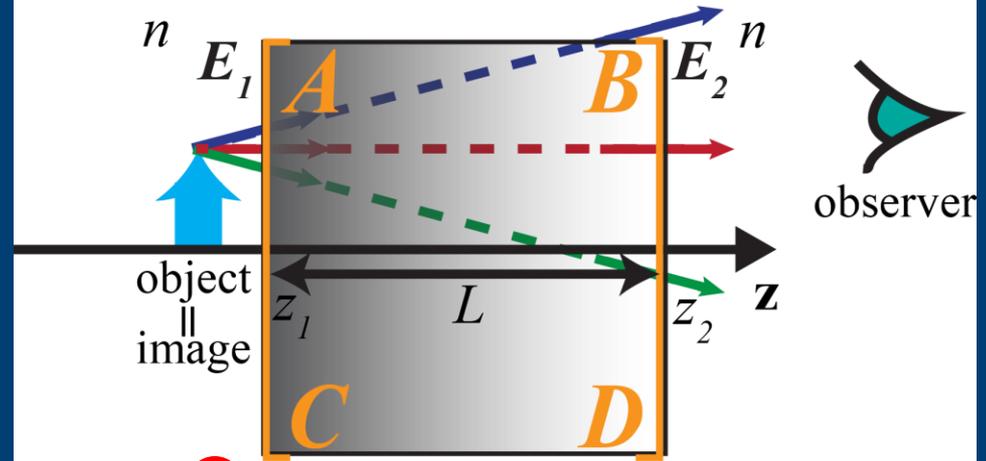
$$\left. [A(x_1^2 + y_1^2) - 2(x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2) + D(x_2^2 + y_2^2)] \right\} dx_1 dy_1,$$

$$L_0 = \sum_i n_i L_i = \text{on-axis optical pathlength.}$$

- Fermat's principle- Optical path lengths.



Phase-matching



1. Huygens' integral:

$$\tilde{E}_2(x_2, y_2) = \frac{ie^{-ik_0 L_0}}{B\lambda_0} \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_1(x_1, y_1) \exp \left\{ -i \frac{\pi}{B\lambda_0} [A(x_1^2 + y_1^2) - 2(x_1x_2 + y_1y_2) + D(x_2^2 + y_2^2)] \right\} dx_1 dy_1,$$

$$L_0 = \sum_i n_i L_i = \text{on-axis optical pathlength.}$$

2. For 'perfect' field cloak:

$$\tilde{E}_2^{\text{perfect cloak}}(x_2, y_2) = \frac{ne^{-ik_0 nL}}{L\lambda_0} \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_1 dy_1 \tilde{E}_1(x_1, y_1) \times \exp \left\{ -i \frac{n\pi}{L\lambda_0} [(x_1^2 + y_1^2) - 2(x_1x_2 + y_1y_2) + (x_2^2 + y_2^2)] \right\}.$$

3. Absolute phase-matching:

$$e^{-ik_0 L_0} = e^{-ik_0 nL} \quad k_0 L_0 \equiv k_0 nL \pmod{2\pi}, \text{ or}$$

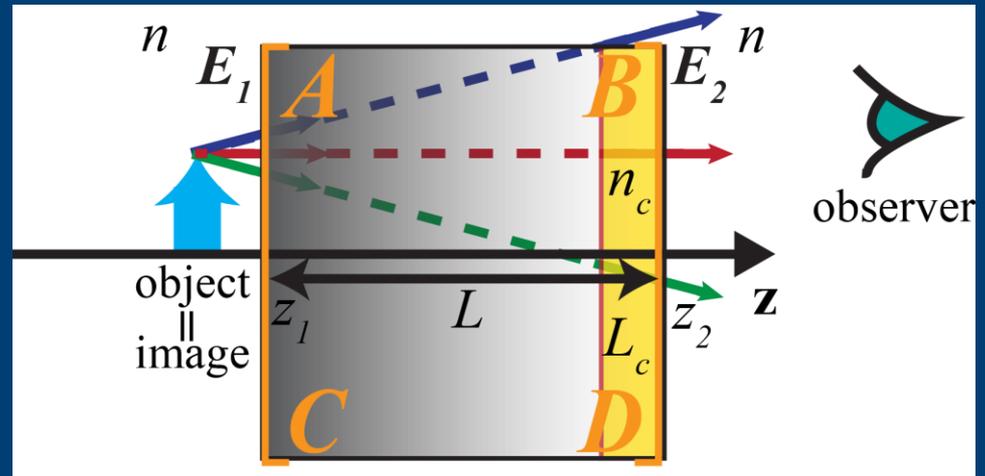
4. Phase-matching to integer multiple of 2π (Broadband)

$$L_0(\lambda_0) = \sum_i n_i(\lambda_0) L_i \equiv n(\lambda_0) L \pmod{\lambda_0}.$$



A method to match phase

- Start with Ray Cloak.
- Use **thin, flat phase-correcting (“c”) plate**:
No change to ABCD.



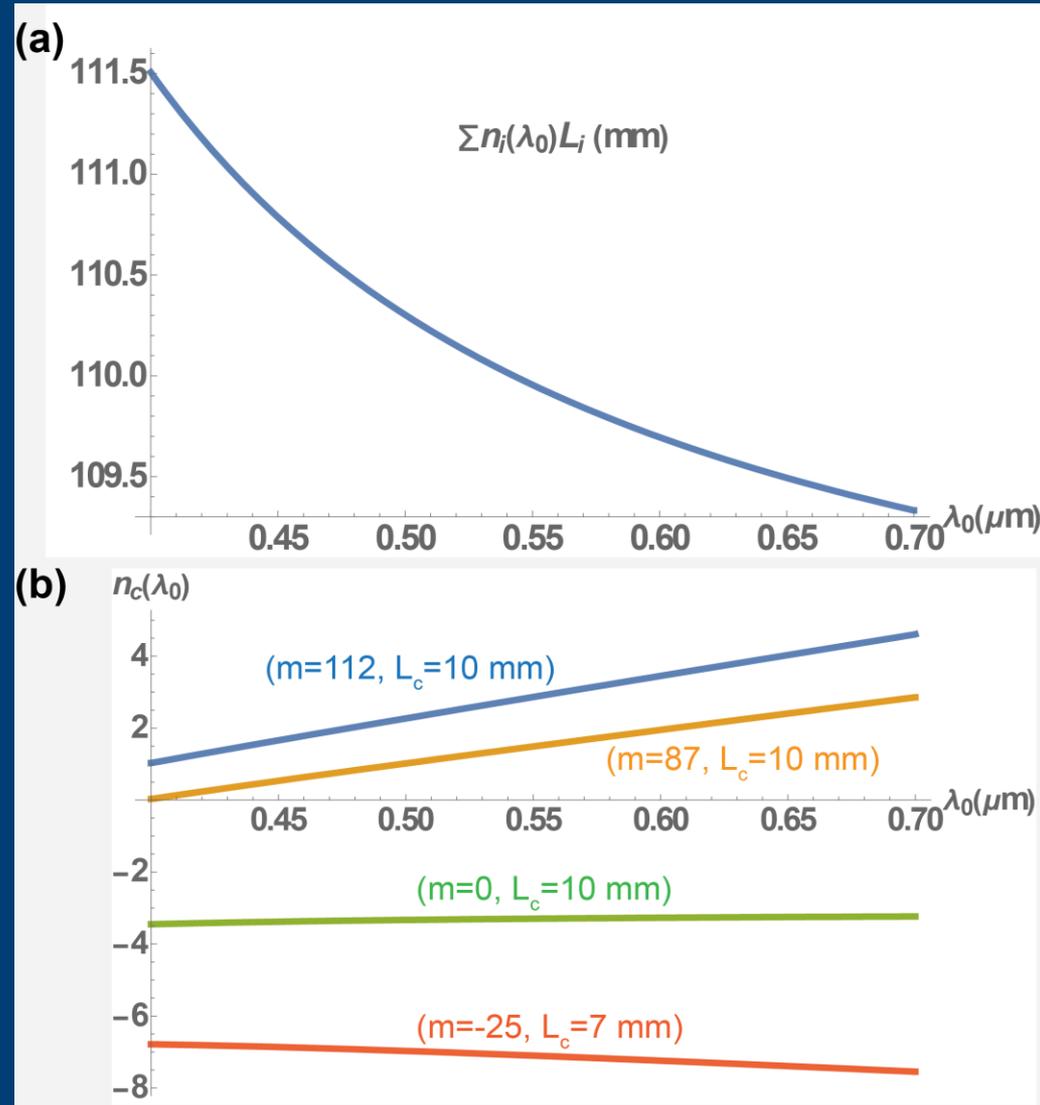
- Index of Correcting Plate ($m = \text{integer}$) :

$$n_c(\lambda_0, m, L_c) = n(\lambda_0) + \frac{1}{L_c} \left\{ m\lambda_0 + \sum_{i=1}^N [n(\lambda_0) - n_i(\lambda_0)] L_i \right\}.$$



Dispersion of Thin Plates

- (a) On-axis optical pathlength for non-air elements of “Rochester Cloak.”
- (b) Refractive indices for various phase-correcting plates.
- Values close to current research materials.

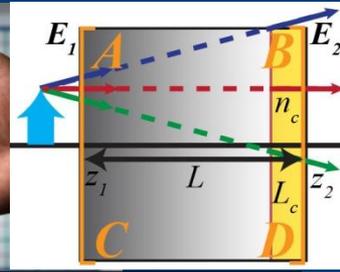
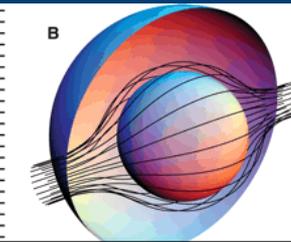
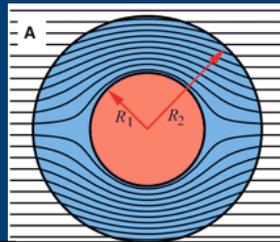


Combine...

PARAXIAL CLOAKING



Cloaking Comparison Redux



‘Ideal’ Cloak Properties	Transformation Optics	Paraxial Cloaking
Broadband	Difficult	Excellent
Visible spectrum		
Isotropic		
Macroscopic scalability	Some challenges	Broadband (theory)
3D		
Full-field (phase+amplitude)	Excellent	Continuous multidirection
Omnidirectional		

- Broadband vs. Omnidirectionality: Cannot achieve all?!
- Anisotropy still not required for paraxial cloaking.
- Isotropic, broadband, omnidirectional cloak possible for ray optics?

Expand Field-of-View

DIGITAL INTEGRAL CLOAKING



Ideal Cloak

“Discretized Cloaking”

(spherically symmetric example)

‘Ideal’ Cloak Properties

Broadband

Visible spectrum

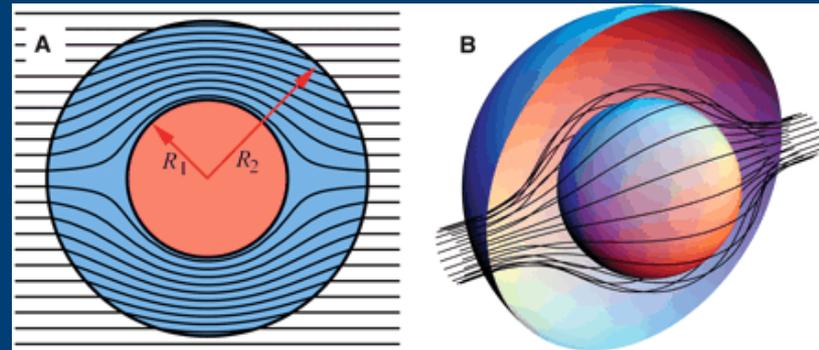
Isotropic

Macroscopic scalability

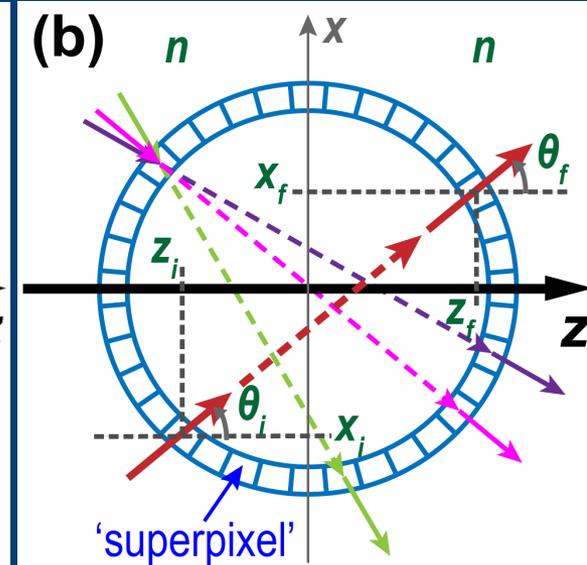
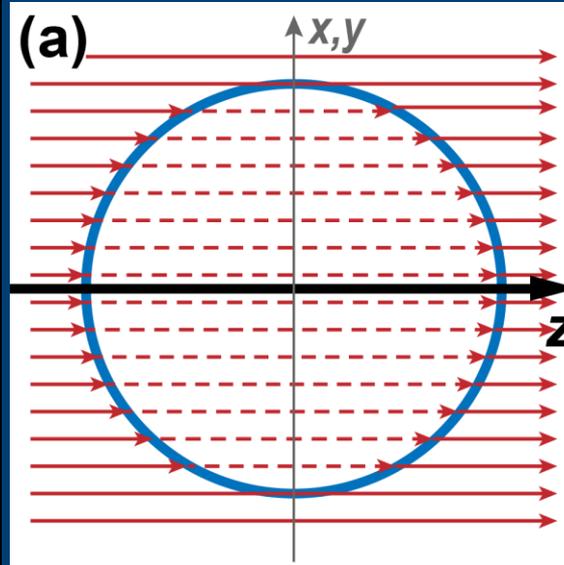
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Full-field (phase+amplitude)

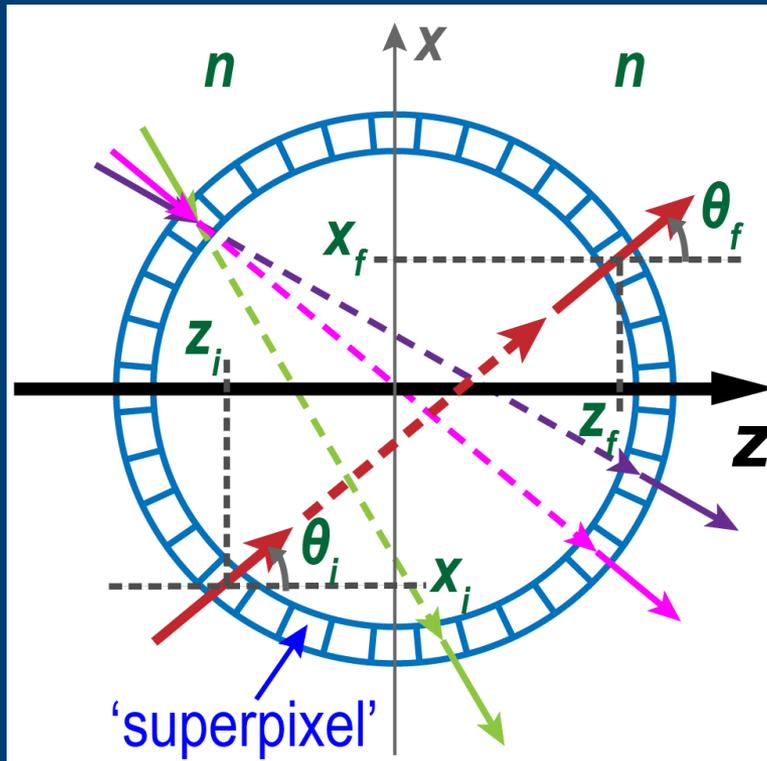
Omnidirectional



Pendry, Schurig, Smith (Science, 2006)



Discretized Cloak



- Can approximate ideal cloak.
- Generalizable to arbitrary shape.
- Pixel-to-pixel mapping:

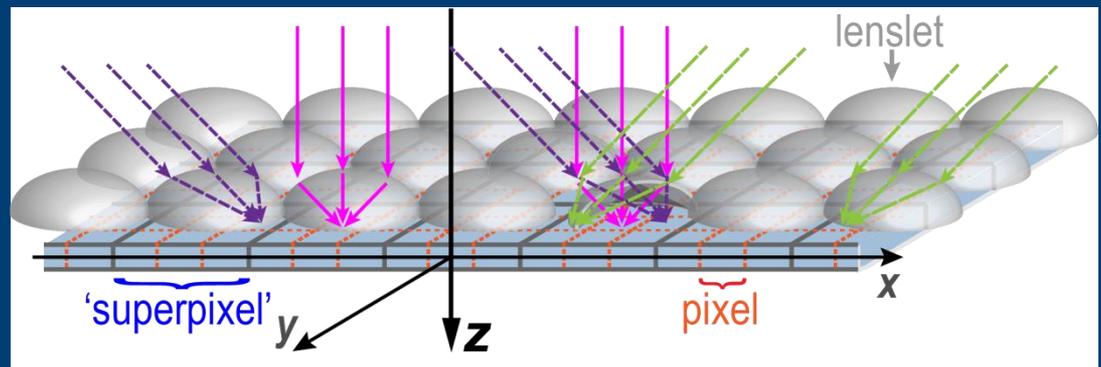
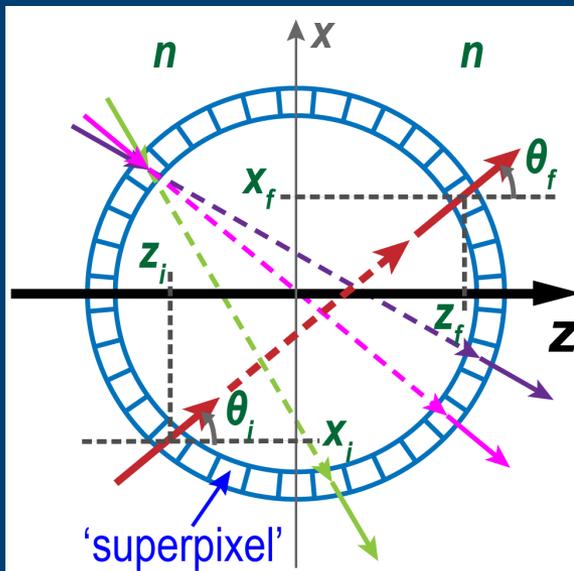
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_f \\ n \tan \theta_f \end{bmatrix}_{z=z_f} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (z_f - z_i)/n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ n \tan \theta_i \end{bmatrix}_{z=z_i}$$



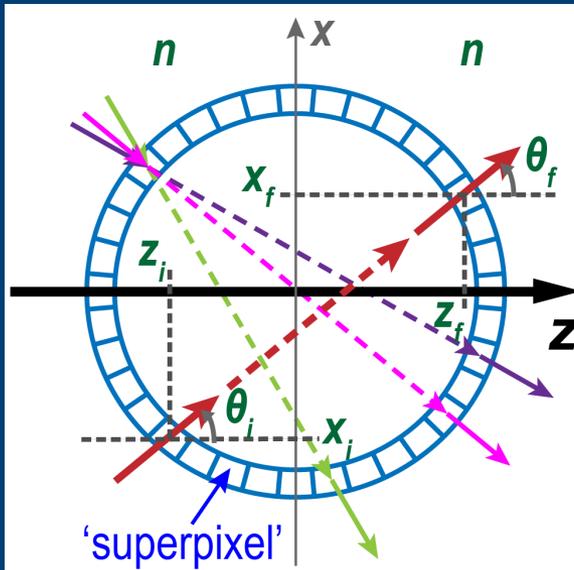
“Digital Integral” Cloak

Surface now discretized:

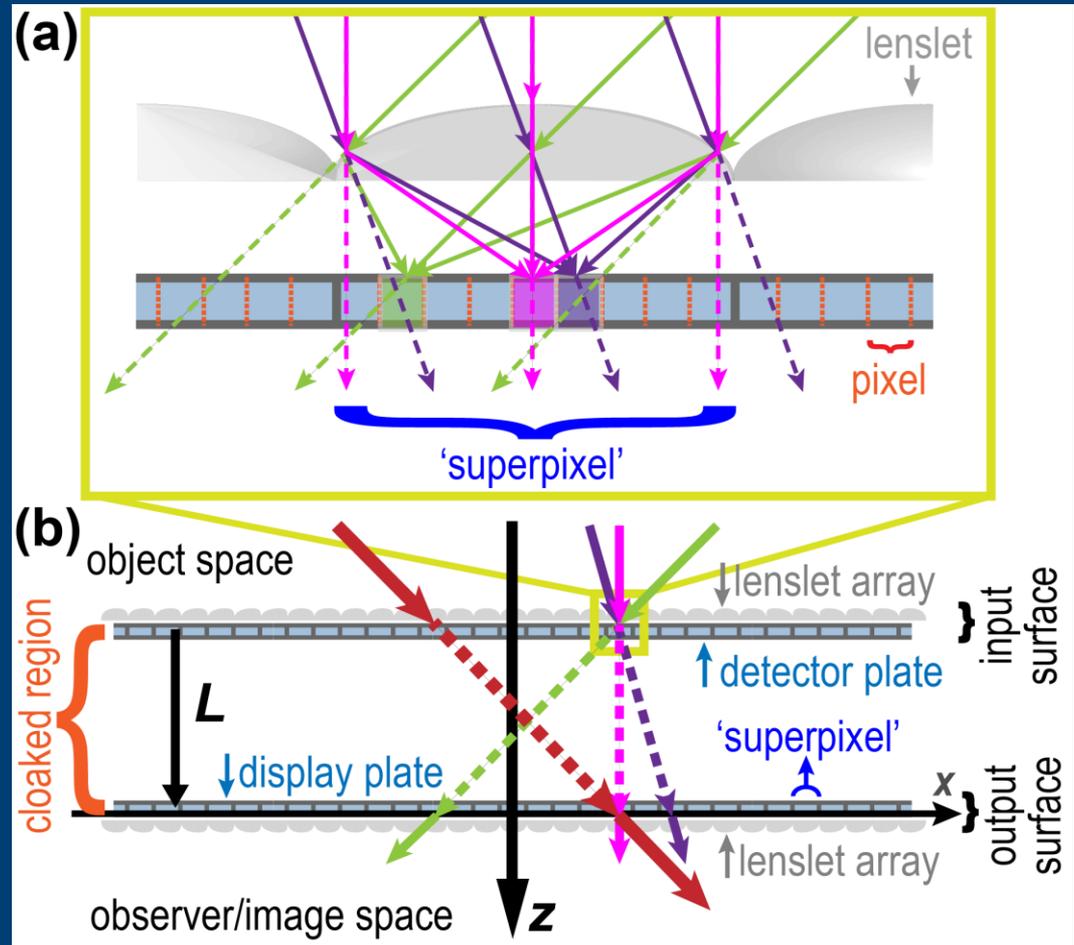
- Digital : Add digital displays, detectors
- Integral: Use ‘Integral Imaging’¹



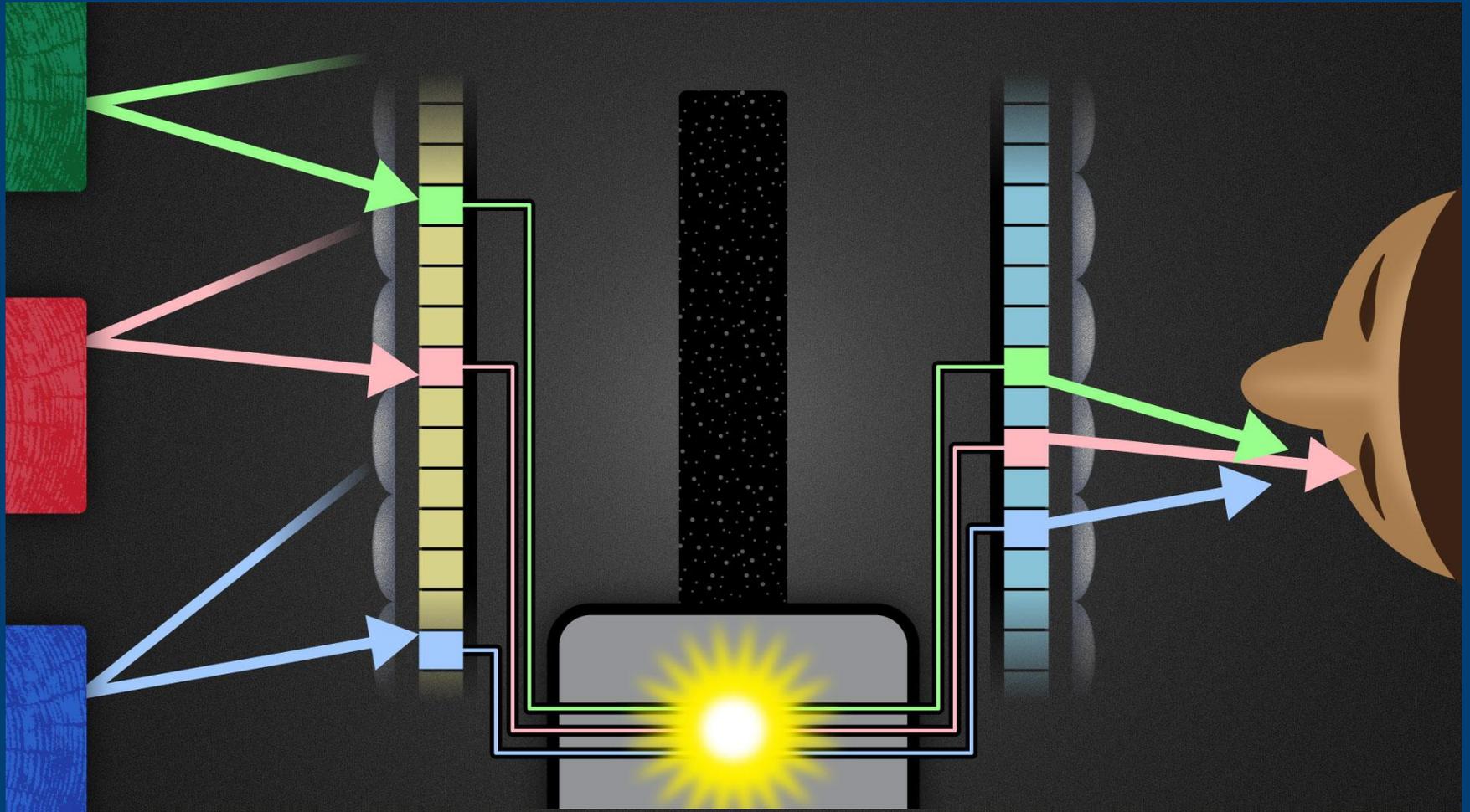
Digital Integral Cloak Example



- Simplify to 2D, planar, ray optics

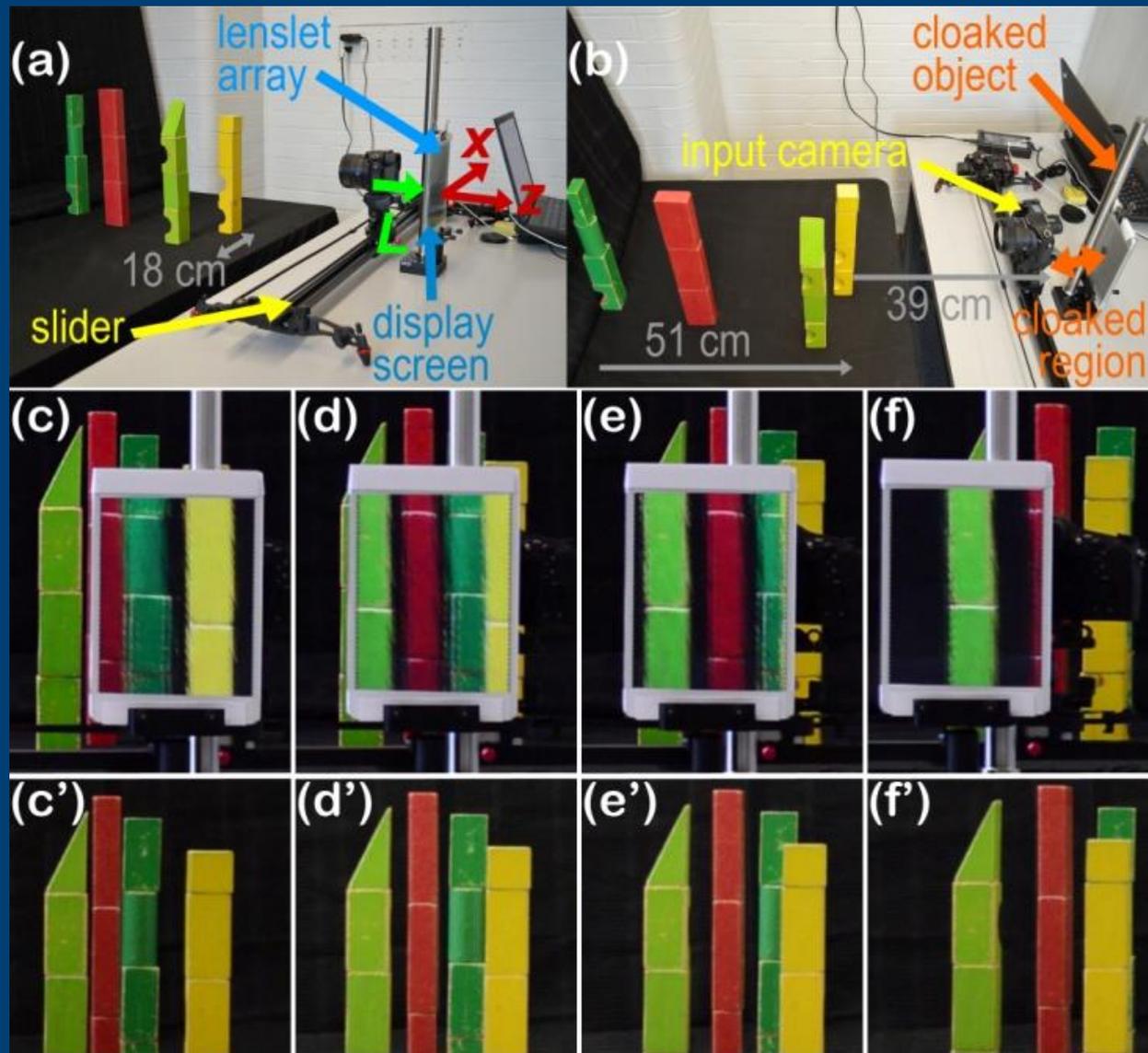


“Rochester Digital Cloak” Illustration

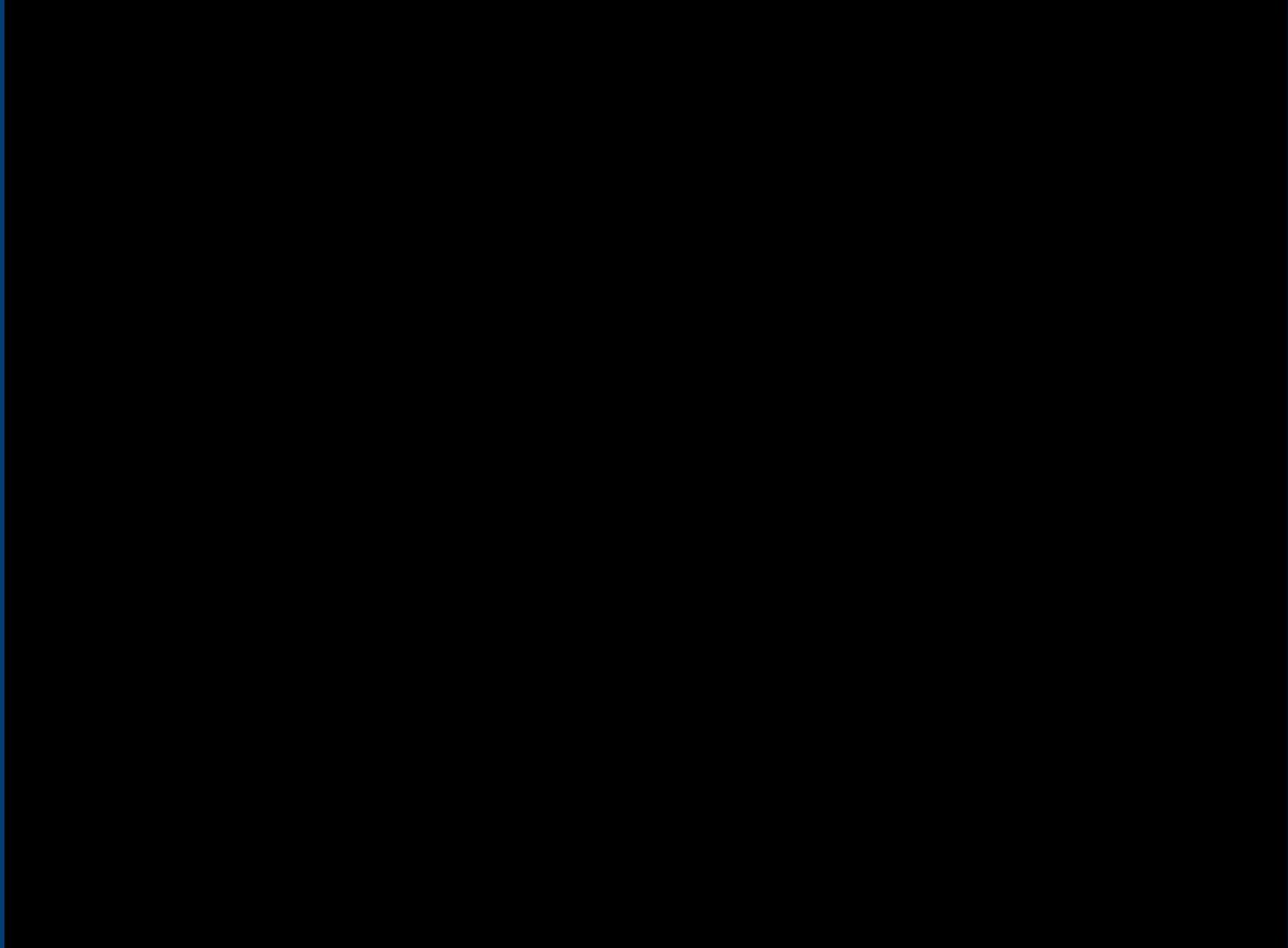


Setup & Demonstration

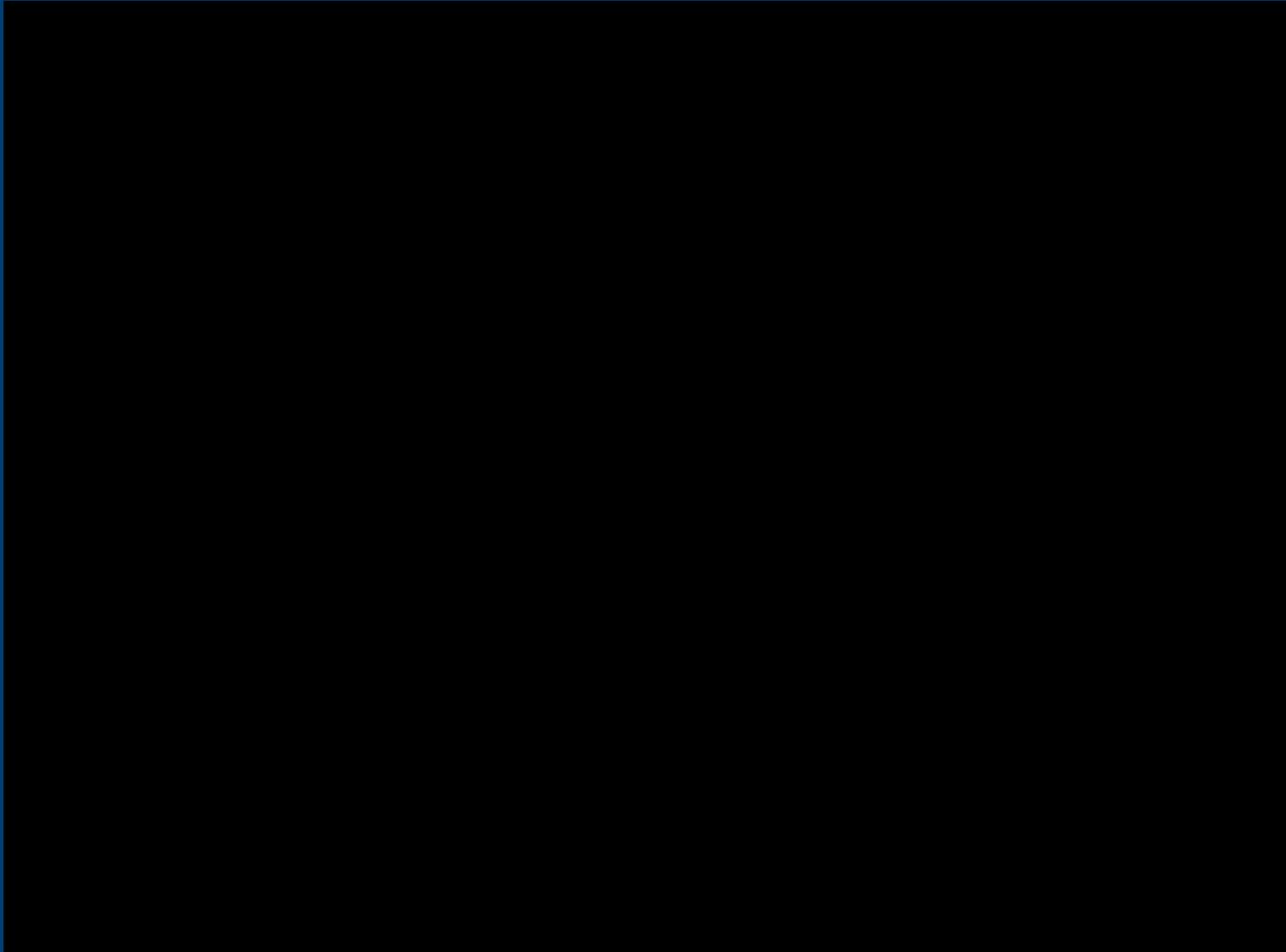
- (a)-(b): Setup
- (c)-(f): w/ cloak
- (c')-(f'): w/o cloak
- 60-90 cm depth-of-field
- 29° field-of-view (11° shown)
- 51.5 total “views”
- Output resolution:
 - Angular: 0.56°
 - Spatial: 1.34mm



Digital Integral Cloak- Input Scan



Digital Integral Cloak- Horizontal (x) Demo Video



Digital Integral Cloak- Longitudinal (z) Demo

- Distance/FOV from screen:

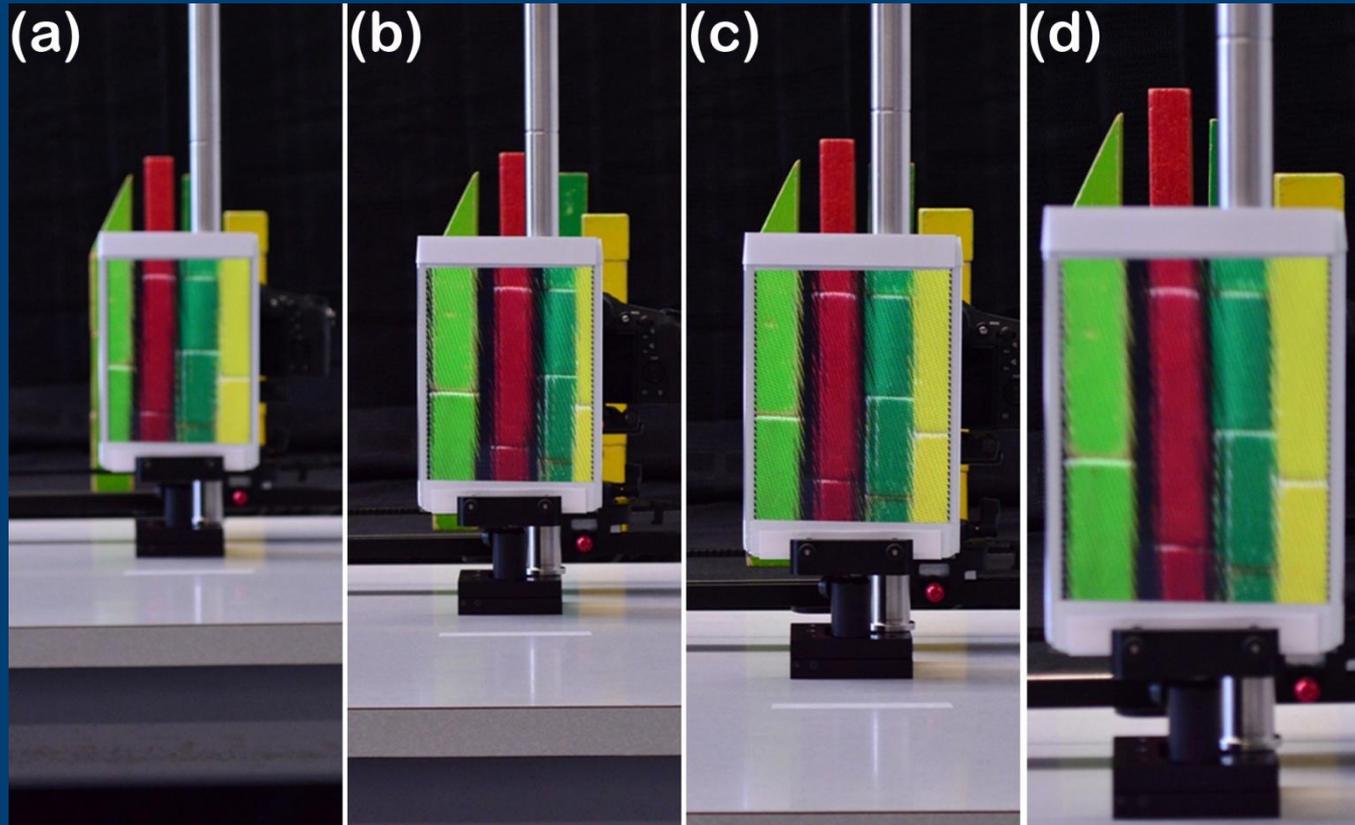
a) 272 cm / 2.53°

b) 235 cm / 2.93°

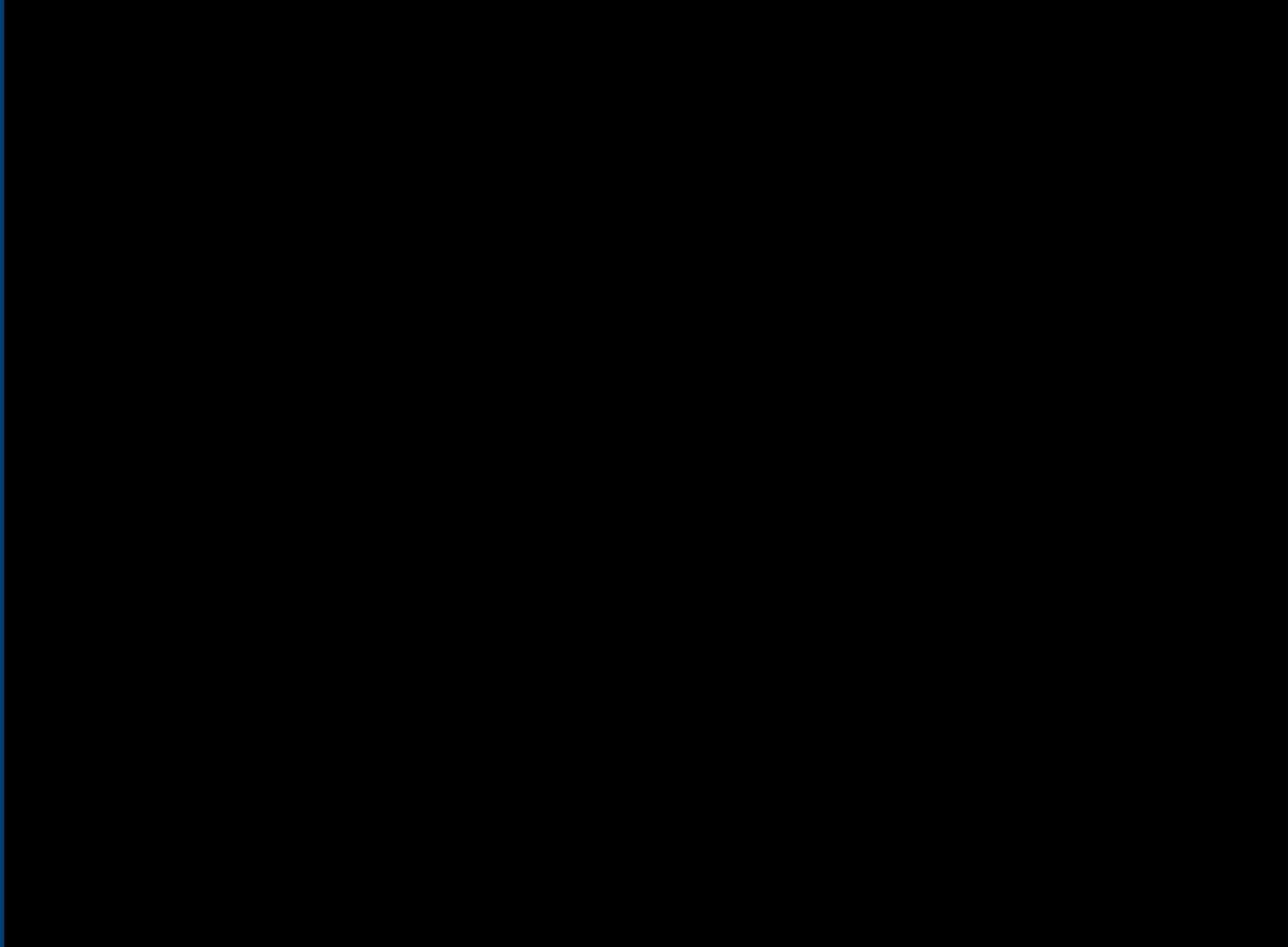
c) 203 cm / 3.38°

d) 150 cm / 4.59°

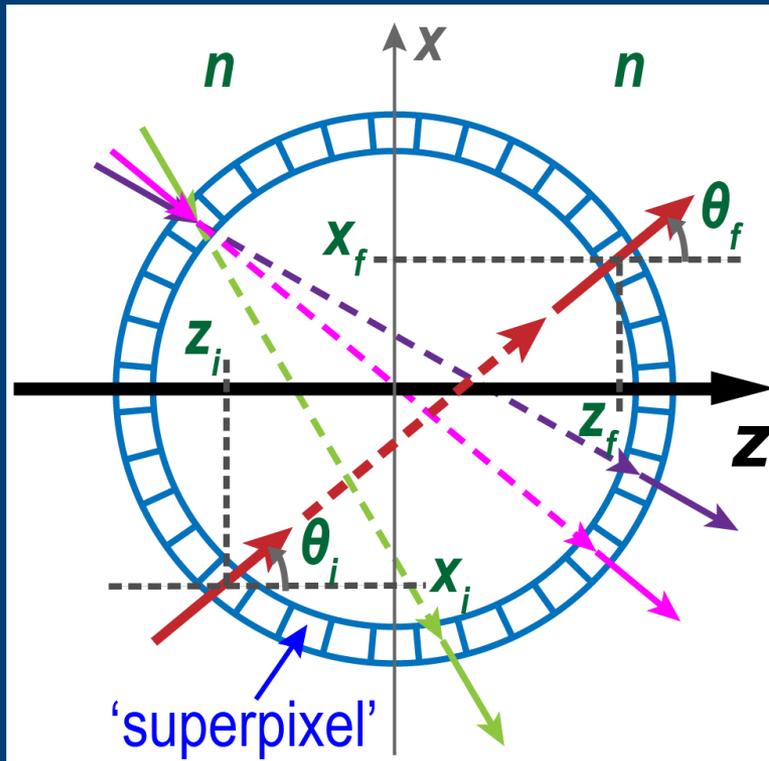
- Closer \rightarrow
more seen



Digital Integral Cloak- End-to-end Process



Discretized Cloak



- Simplified to pixel-to-pixel unidirectional propagation.
- Arbitrary and dynamic shape: wearable cloak possible.
- Match phase*:
 - Fixed shape: Fixed material
 - Dynamic shape: Spatial Light Modulator
- Uses commercial technology

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_f \\ n \tan \theta_f \end{bmatrix}_{z=z_f} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (z_f - z_i)/n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ n \tan \theta_i \end{bmatrix}_{z=z_i}$$



Digital Integral Cloak- Improvements

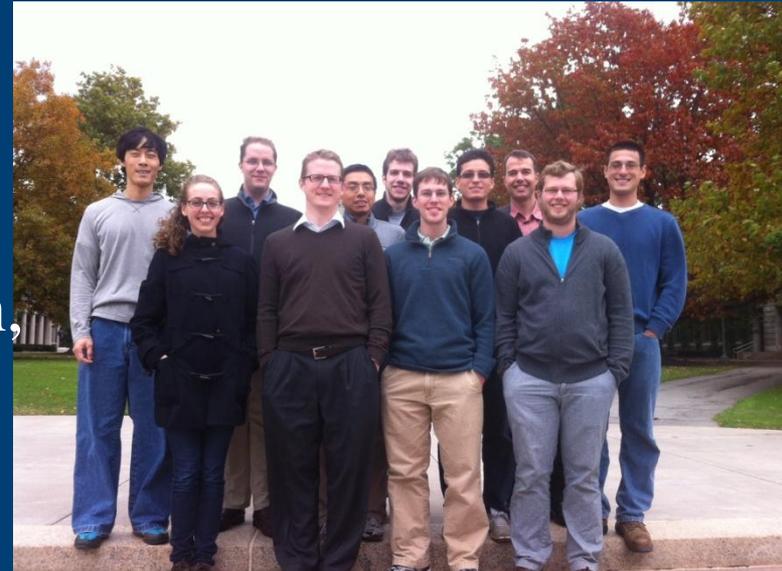
- 3D: Fly's eye lenslet arrays
- System limited by output, not input:
Aberration correction for lenslet arrays
- Real-time
- Optimizations for discretization errors



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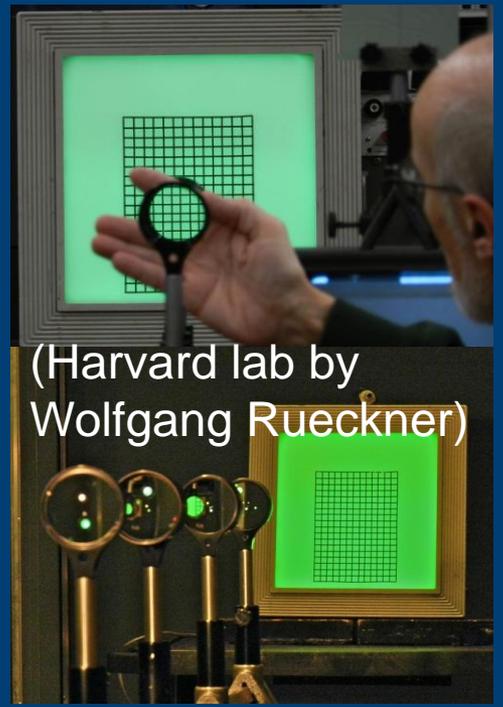
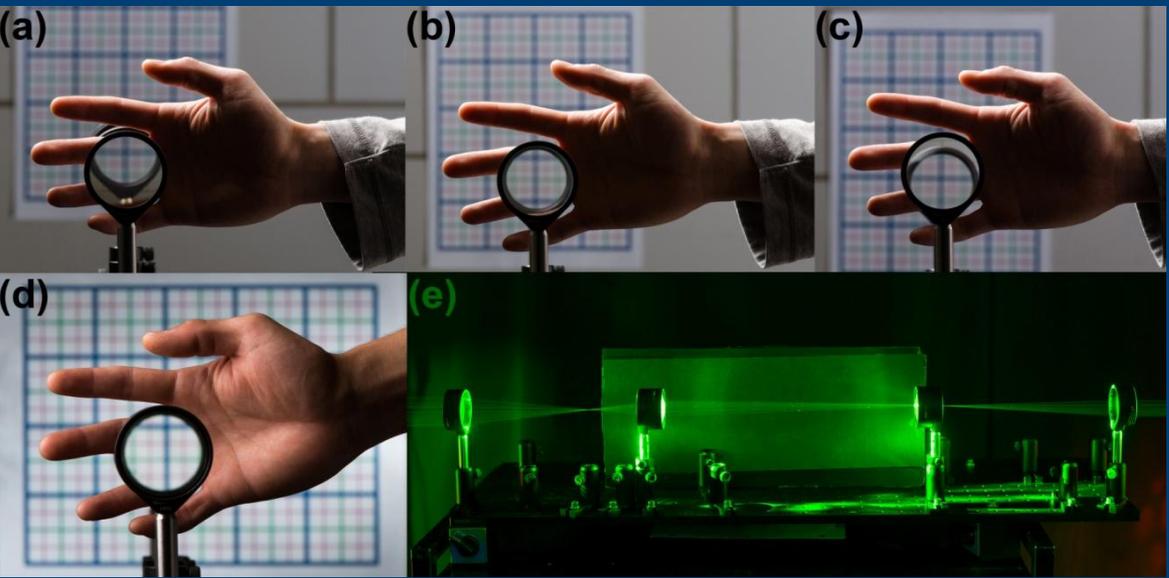


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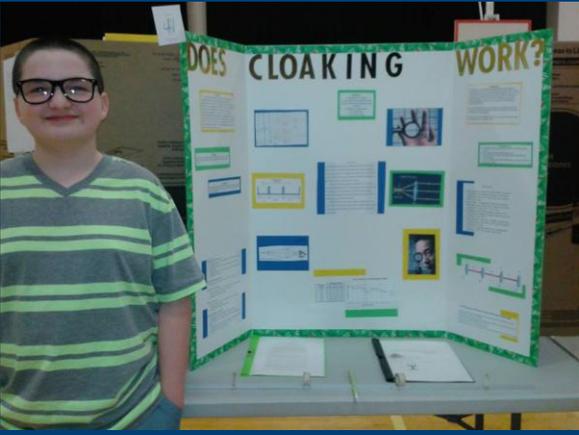


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Possible Applications

- Some ideas
- Practical uses likely from:
The public,
designers,
entrepreneurs,
industry, artists,
engineers, etc.

