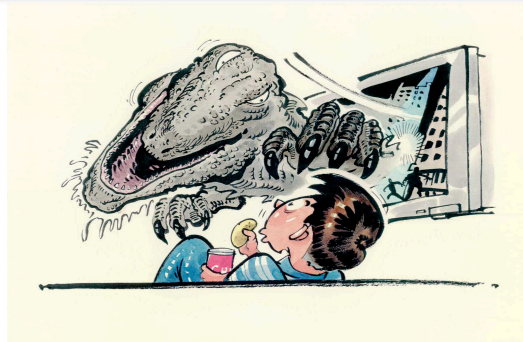

3DTV based on integral method



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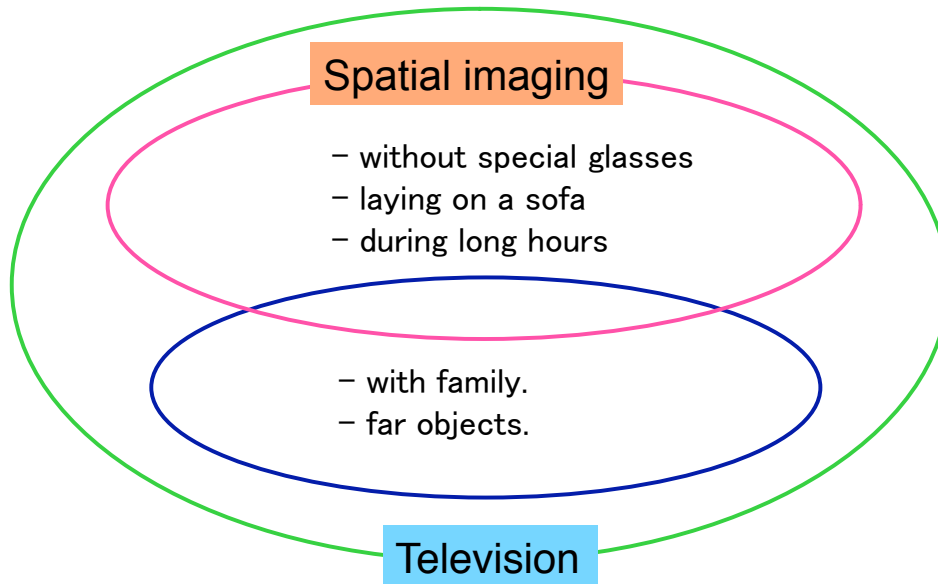
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For enjoying 3D television



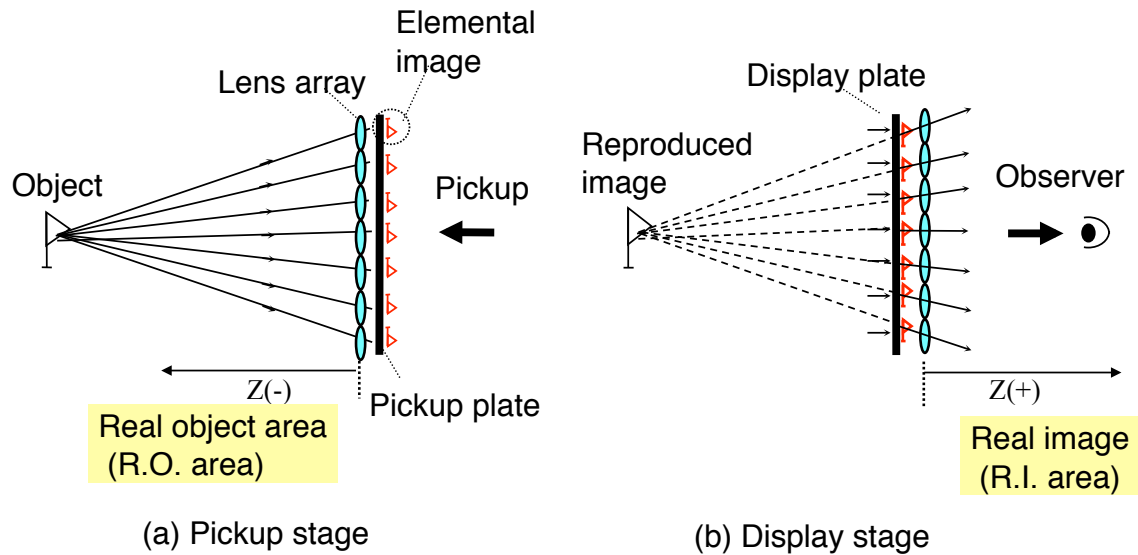
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Enjoying 3D television



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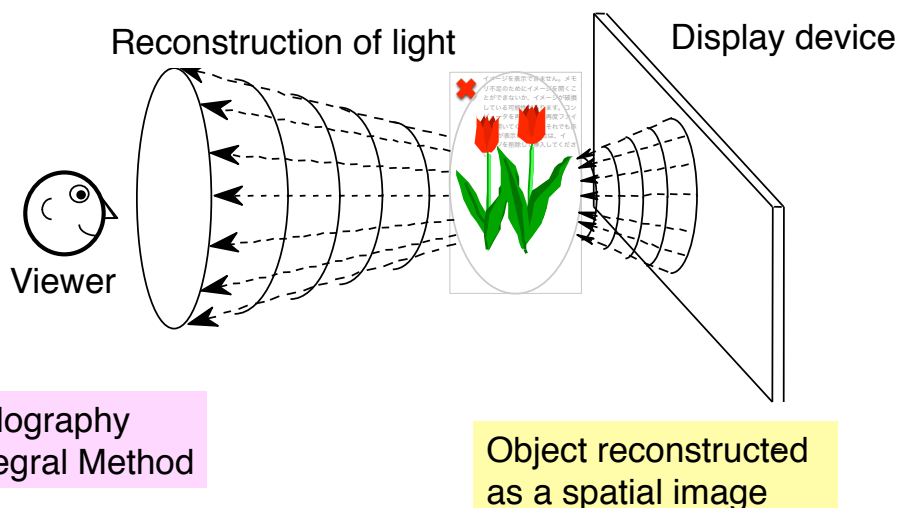
Principle of Integral method



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Spatial imaging type

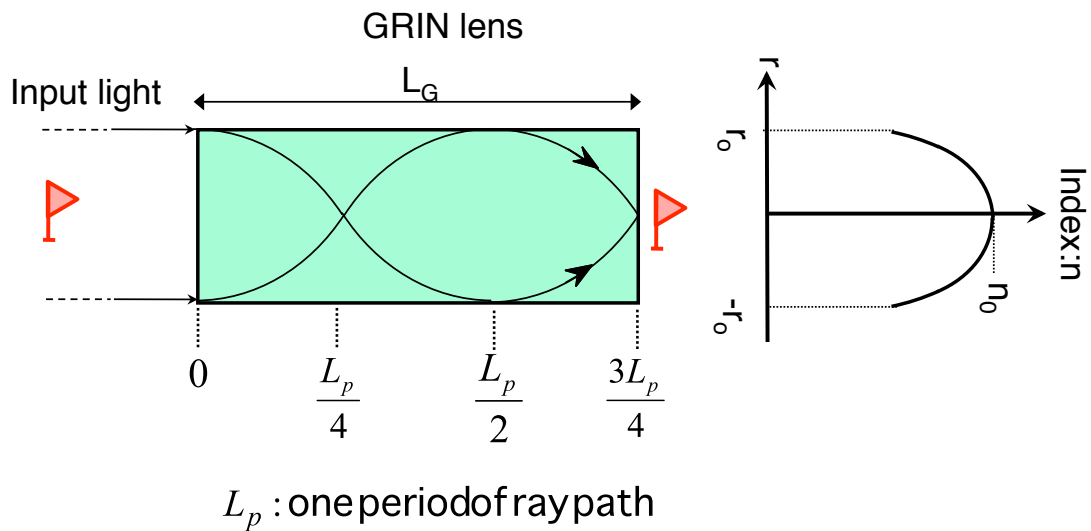
Image's appearance changes as the viewer's position moves



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Gradient index lens (GRIN lens)

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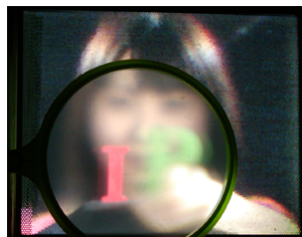


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Reconstructed images by integral method -Print version-



(a) Reconstructed spatial 3D image



(b) Projected image on diffuser set 10mm away from lens array.



(c) Projected image on diffuser set 40mm away from lens array.

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Integral 3DTV in NHK STRL

Integral TV based on integral photography
needs huge number of pixels

- Using HDTV
 - 1996: real-time, monochromatic, pseudoscopic
 - 1997: real-time, full-color, orthoscopic
 - Elemental lenses: 54 (V) X 63 (H), Viewing zone : 20 degree
- Using 2000 scanning lines TV system
 - 2001: real-time, full-color
 - 2004: improved system
 - Elemental lenses: 125 (V) X 160 (H), Viewing zone : 12 degree
- Using 4000 scanning lines TV system
 - 2007: Bayer pixel arrangement. (Dual-G)
 - Number of elemental lenses: 140 (V) X 182 (H)
 - Viewing zone: 24.5 degree (measured value)
 - 2009: Full pixel arrangement
 - Improved resolution

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Major resolution factors

■ Diameter of elemental lens

- Small diameter degrades the resolution for distant object because diffraction affects the resolution.
- Large diameter brings large pitch between adjacent elemental lenses.

Dominant in our system

■ Pitch between adjacent elemental lenses

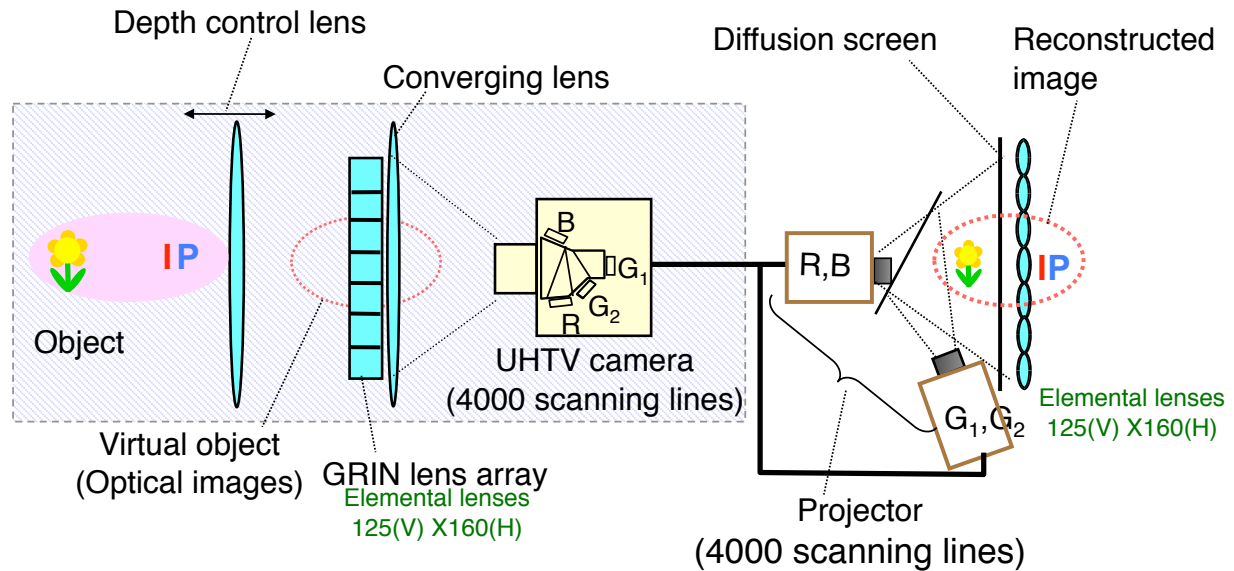
■ Pixel pitch of elemental image

■ Viewing zone angle

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Experimental television system

Dual green UHDTV with 8million pixel devices



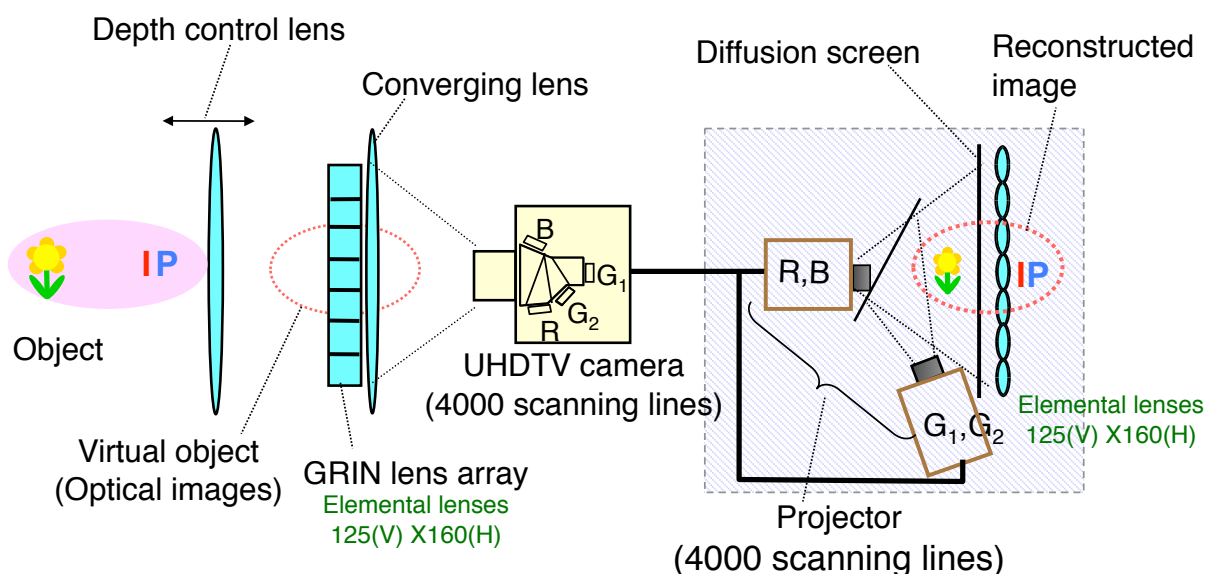
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Dual green UHDTV with 8million pixel devices

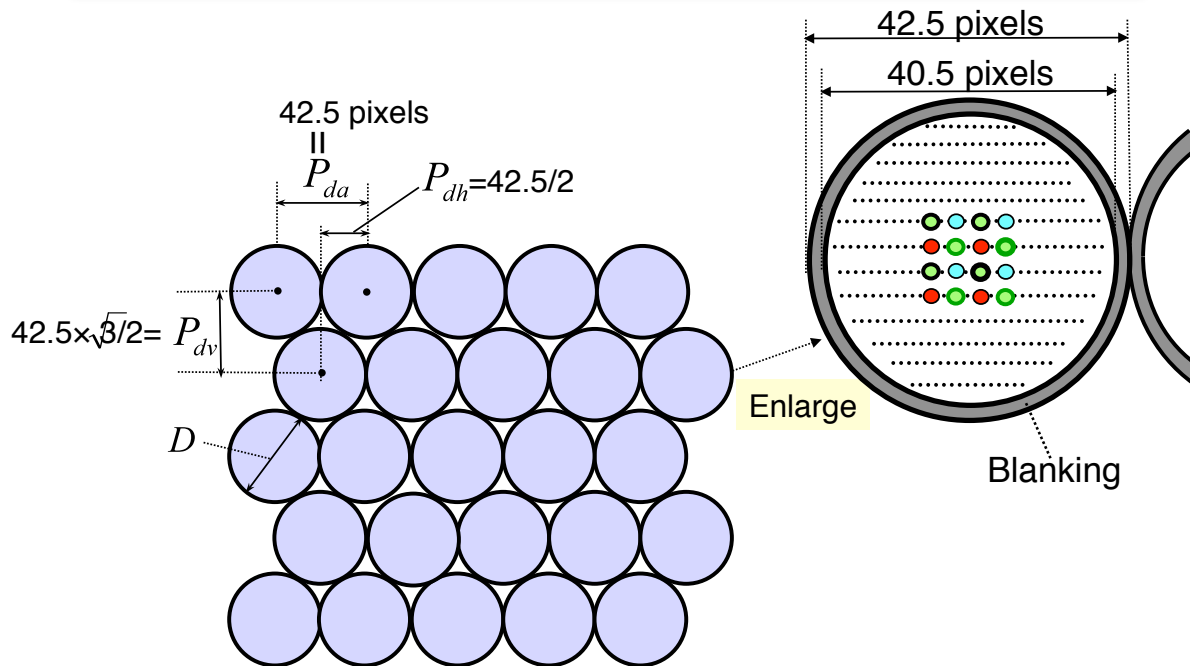


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Elemental lenses alignment of lens array

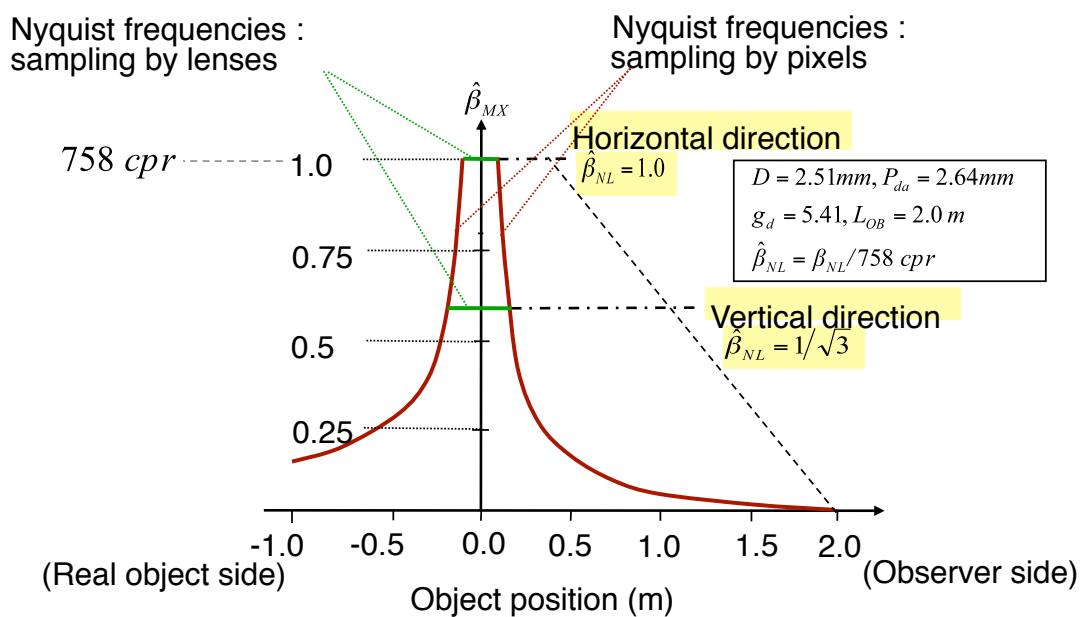


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Resolution characteristics

-Maximum visual-spatial frequency-

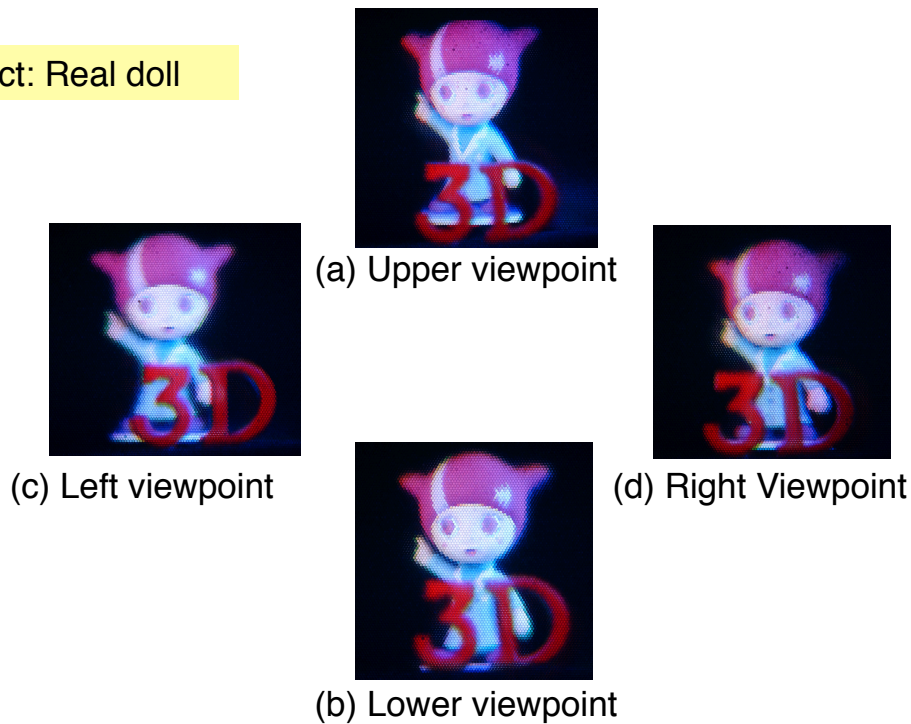
Calculated value



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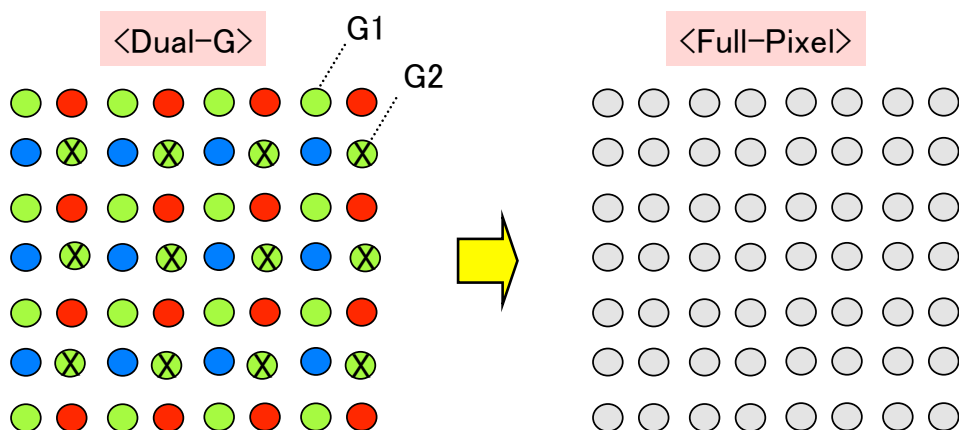
Reconstructed images with full parallax

Object: Real doll



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Pixel structure of Dual-G system



Each pixel has R or G or B signal.
G1 and G2 pixel are diagonally offset.

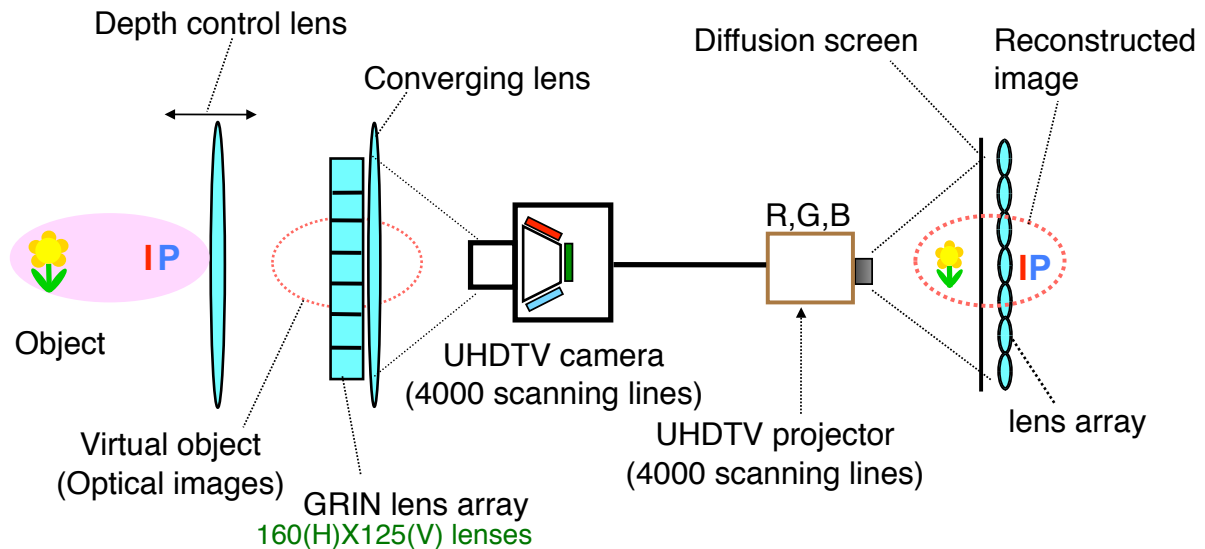
Each pixel has R, G, and B signal.

$$\bigcirc = \text{Red} + \text{Green} + \text{Blue}$$

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Experimental television system

Full pixel UHDTV with 33million pixels



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Exhibited in NAB show, Las Vegas
(20-23, April)

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Summary

- The 3DTV with integral method is based on extremely high resolution video.
- The experimental setup produces full-color and full-parallax 3D images in real-time, however, the setup has not reached practical level yet.
- To produce higher quality 3D images for television, it requires a larger number of pixels for the capture and display stages. Although this problem must be overcome, our experimental setup has been progressed one step for practical use.

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