



MIM 2022: Procesamiento de Imágenes y Bioseñales I & II



Procesamiento de Imágenes y Bioseñales I

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Welcome



Joaquín Torres García 1874-1949



Richard Feynman (1918-1988)



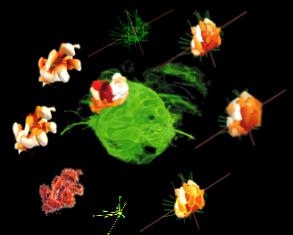
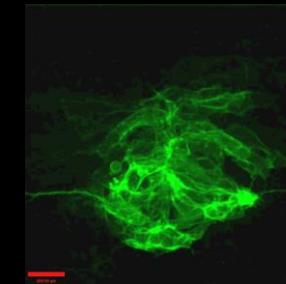
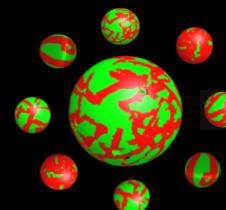
Maria Goeppert-Mayer 1906-1972



René Descartes (1596-1650)



Mats Gustafson 2006 - 2011



E Betzig



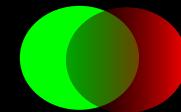
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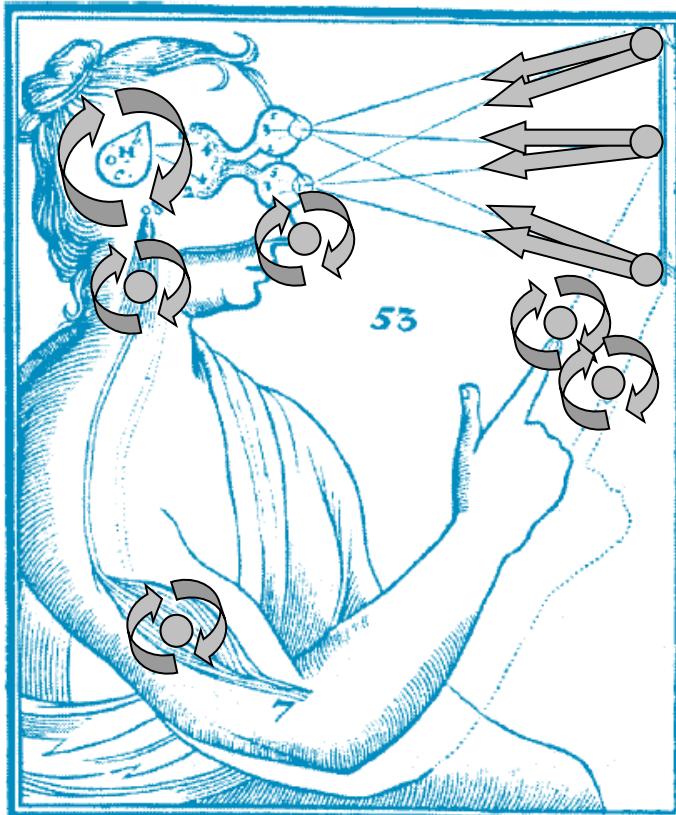


W Moerner



Ernst Abbe 1840- 2005





glandula pinealis / pineal organ

A combination of ...



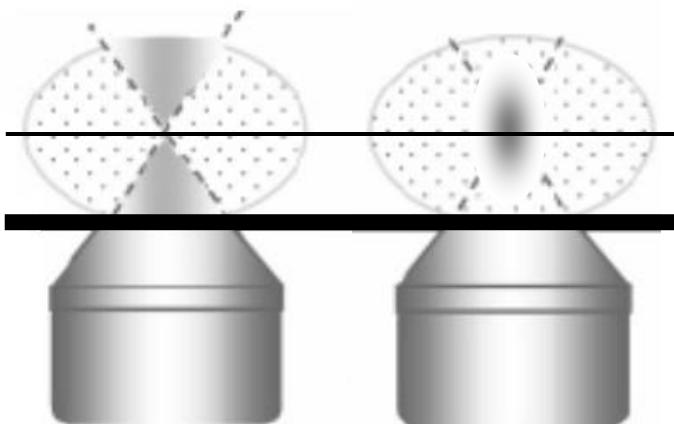
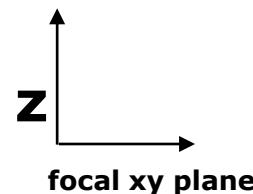
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2| signals from other senses ...

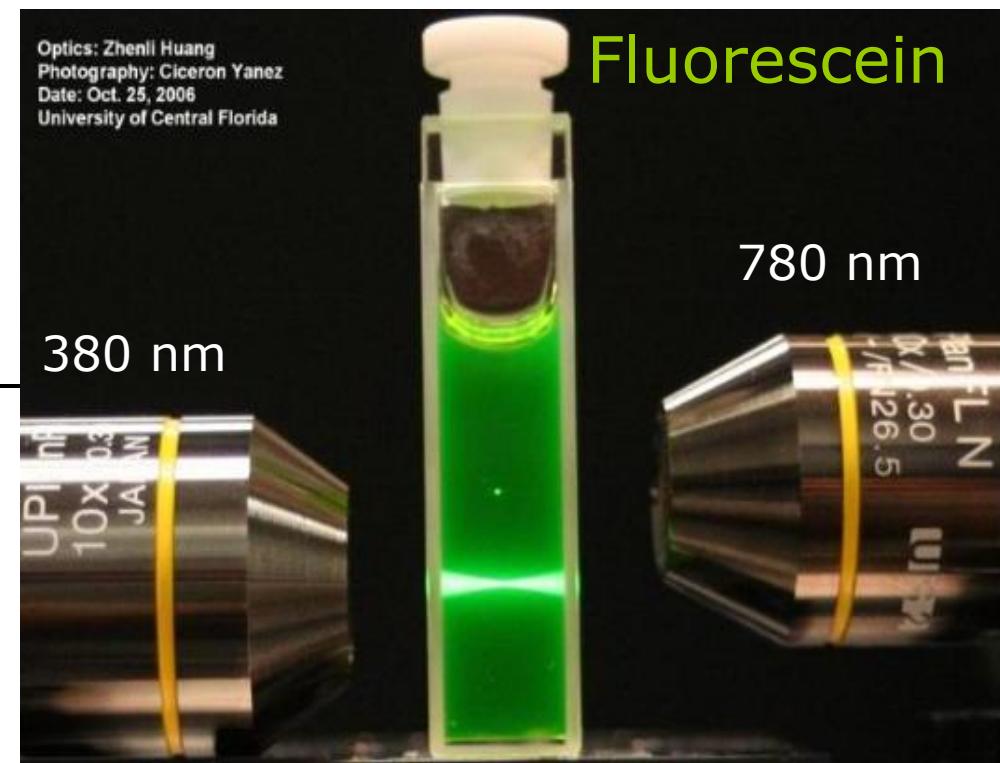
3| feedback loops ...

... produce a symbolic representation of an object.

| Best localization: confocal microscopy



convencional / confocal



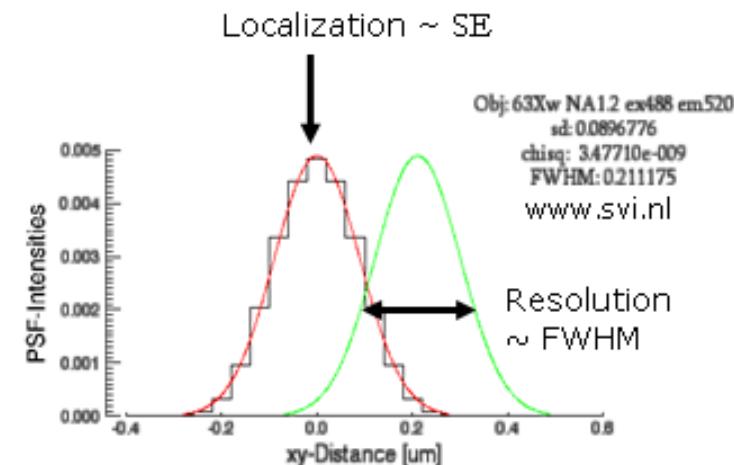
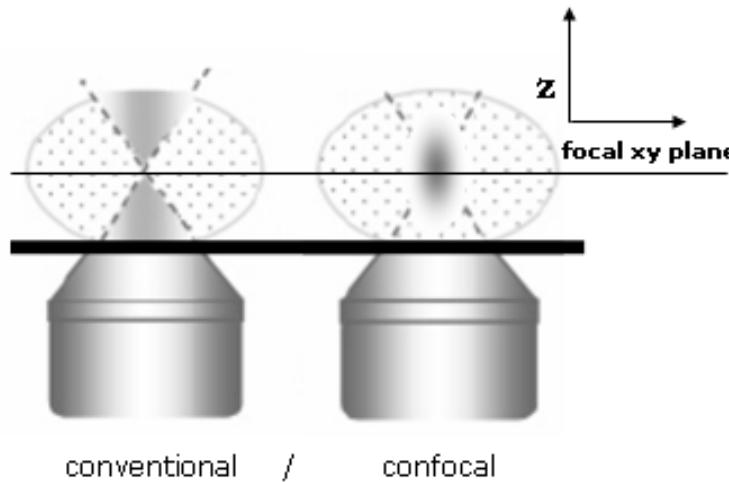
| Diffraction limited microscopy

E. Abbe (\dagger 1905)



$$\lambda / 2 \cdot \text{NA} \sim \lambda / 2 \quad \text{Resolution (Full Width at Half Maximum, FWHM)}$$

$$\text{FWHM} / N^{1/2} \quad \text{Localization, } N \text{ number of photons}$$





Seeing is believing? Alison J. North, *The Journal of Cell Biology*, Vol. 172, No. 1, January 2, 2006 9–18

Seeing is believing? A beginners' guide to practical pitfalls in image acquisition

Imaging can be thought of as the mother of experiments. You see something, you report what you see. If only things were truly this simple. Modern imaging technology has brought about a revolution in the kinds of questions we can approach, but this comes at the price of increasingly complex equipment. Moreover, in an attempt to market competing systems, the microscopes have often been inappropriately described as easy to use and suitable for non-beginners. Inadequate understanding of the experimental manipulations and equipment set-ups leads to the introduction of errors during image acquisition. In this feature, I review some of the most common practical pitfalls faced by researchers during image acquisition, and how they can affect the interpretation of the experimental data.

This article is targeted neither to the microscopy gurus who push forward the frontiers of imaging technology nor to my imaging specialist colleagues who may voice at the overly simplistic comments and lack of detail. Instead, this is for beginners who gulp with alarm when they hear the

word "confocal pinhole" or sigh as they watch their cells fade and die in front of their very eyes time and time again at the microscope. Take heart, beginners, if microscopes were actually so simple then many people (including myself) would suddenly be out of a job!

All data are subject to interpretation.

Dishonest scientific fraud exists, but in modern microscopy a far greater number of errors are introduced in complete innocence. As an example of a common problem, take colocalization. Up until the lab, a research collects a predominantly yellow merged image on a basic microscope, naturally interpreted as colocalization of green and red signals. But on the confocal microscope, there is no yellow in the merged images.

"When you employ the microscope, shake off all prejudice, nor harbour any favorite opinions; for, if you do, 'tis not unlikely fancy will betray you into error, and make you see what you wish to see." Henry Baker, chapter 15, "Cautions in viewing objects" of *The Microscope Made Easy*, 1742.

How can this be? Many factors contribute. Here, I take the reader through the imaging process, from sample preparation to the choice of imaging and image-processing methods. Throughout, we will be on the lookout for problems that can produce misleading results, using colocalization as the most common example. Because one

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The objective lens is the most critical component of a microscope and yet few researchers grasp the differences between specific objective classes.

"Garbage in = garbage out" is the universal motto of all microscopists. A worrying tendency today is to assume that deconvolution software or confocal microscopes can somehow override the structural damage or suboptimal immunolabelling induced by poor sample preparation. The importance of appropriate fixation, permeabilization, and labeling methods for preserving cellular morphology or protein localizations is well known to electron microscopists (Hayat, 2000), but often underestimated in optical microscopy (Fig. 1).

Many labs use one standardized protocol for labeling with all antibodies, irrespective of whether the targets are membrane- or cytoskeleton-associated, nuclear or cytosolic. However, inappropriate fixation can cause antigenic reduction and/or a reduction in antigenicity. It is therefore important to test each antibody on samples fixed in a variety of ways, ranging from solvents such as methanol to chemical cross-linking agents such as paraformaldehyde and glutaraldehyde (for proteins see Bascom et al., 1995; Aldis, 1999), although glutaraldehyde fixation often reduces antigenicity and increases background autoimmunofluorescence. Cross-linking for reticular fibrillar collagen labeling is incompatible with methanol fixation, while methanols are incompatible with formaldehyde. Moreover, certain cell types, such as yeast cells, require specialized fixation protocols (Hagan and Ayres, 1999).

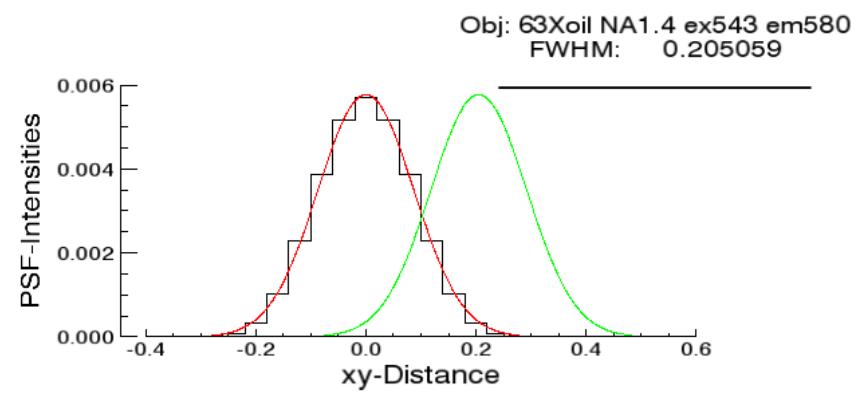
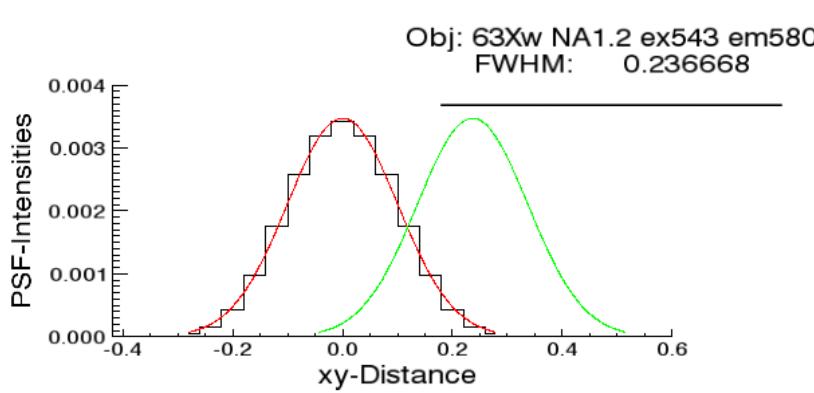
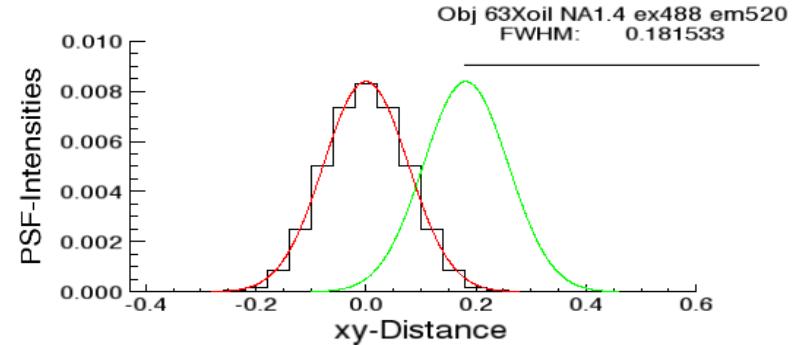
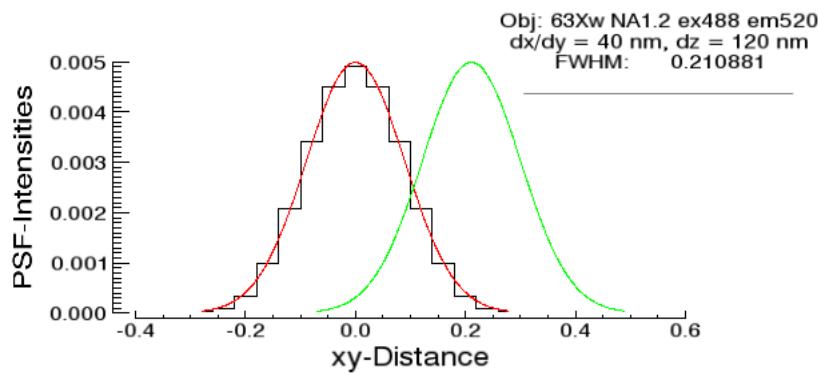
Permeabilization is also critical in achieving a good compromise between antigen accessibility and ultrastructural integrity. Specific detergents will produce different effects (for example, Triton treatment produces smaller holes in

Keep the acquisition settings constant between specimens to be compared quantitatively and particularly between sample and control.

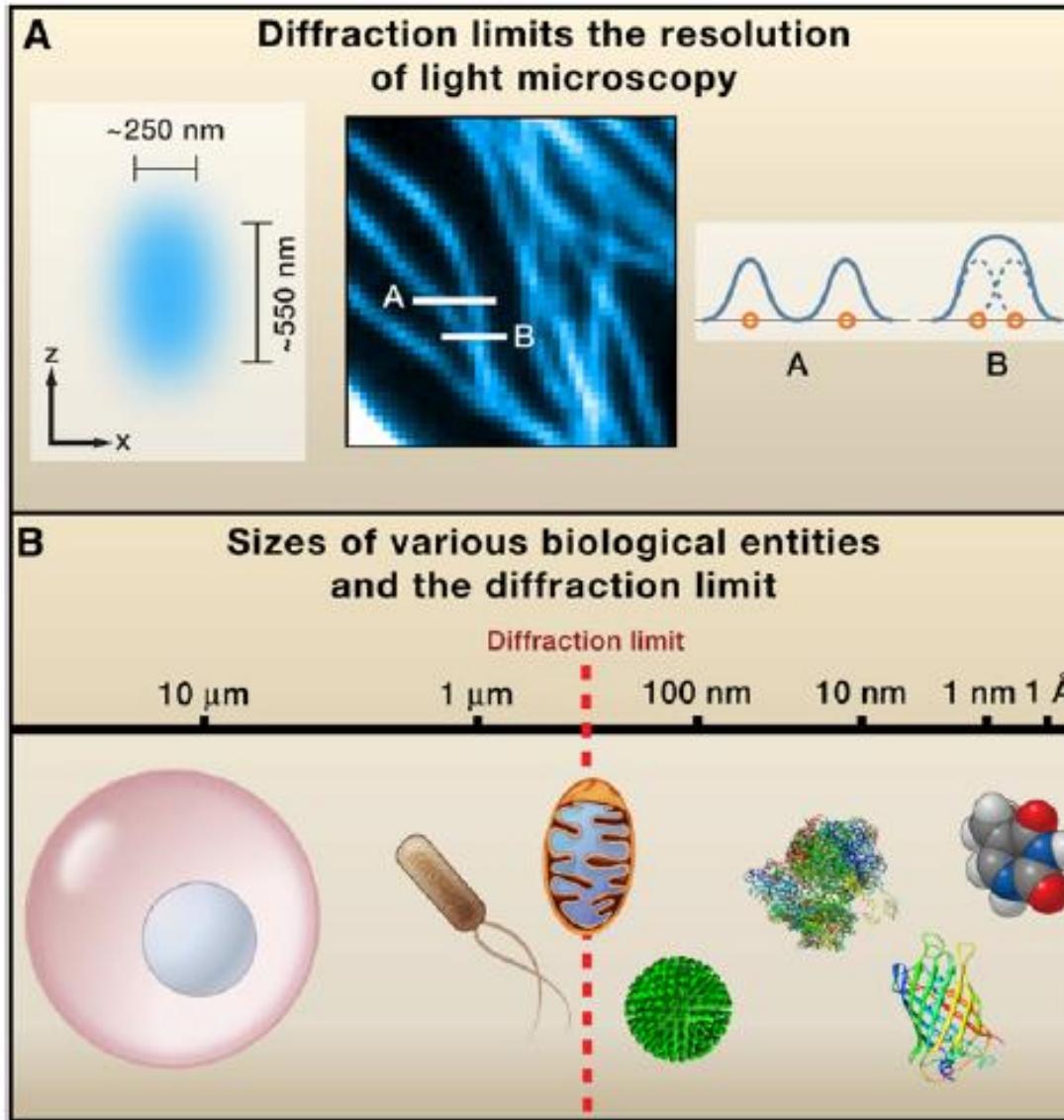
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"Remember that truth alone is the matter that you are in search after; and if you have been mistaken, let not vanity seduce you to persist in your mistake." Henry Baker, *The Microscope Made Easy*, 1742.

|-> Diffraction limited Microscopy



|-> Diffraction limited Microscopy



|-> Beyond diffraction

M Goeppert-Mayer
1906-1972



M Gustafson
1960-2011



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MPI Göttingen
BIOQUANT Hdg



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Janelia Farm



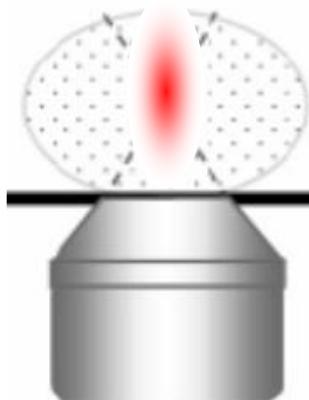
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$\sim \lambda/4$

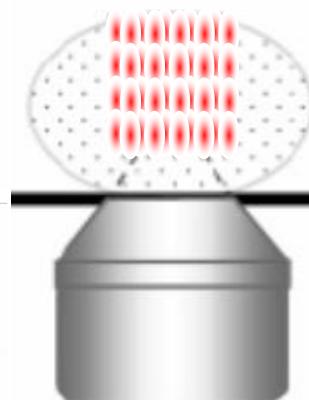
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$\sim \lambda/4$

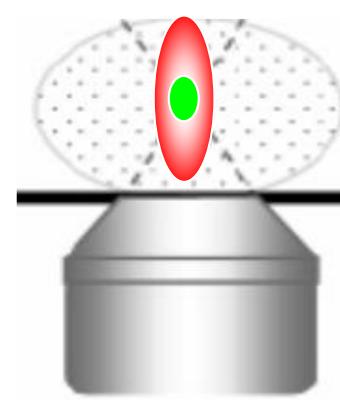
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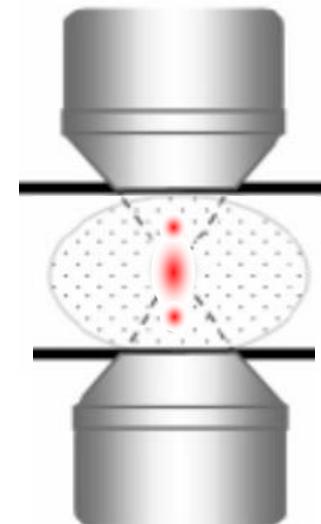
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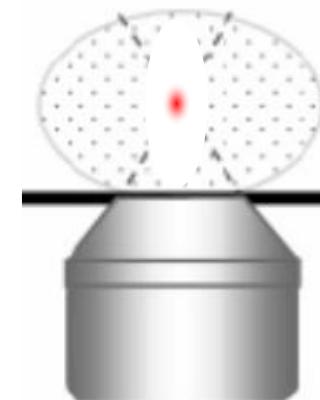
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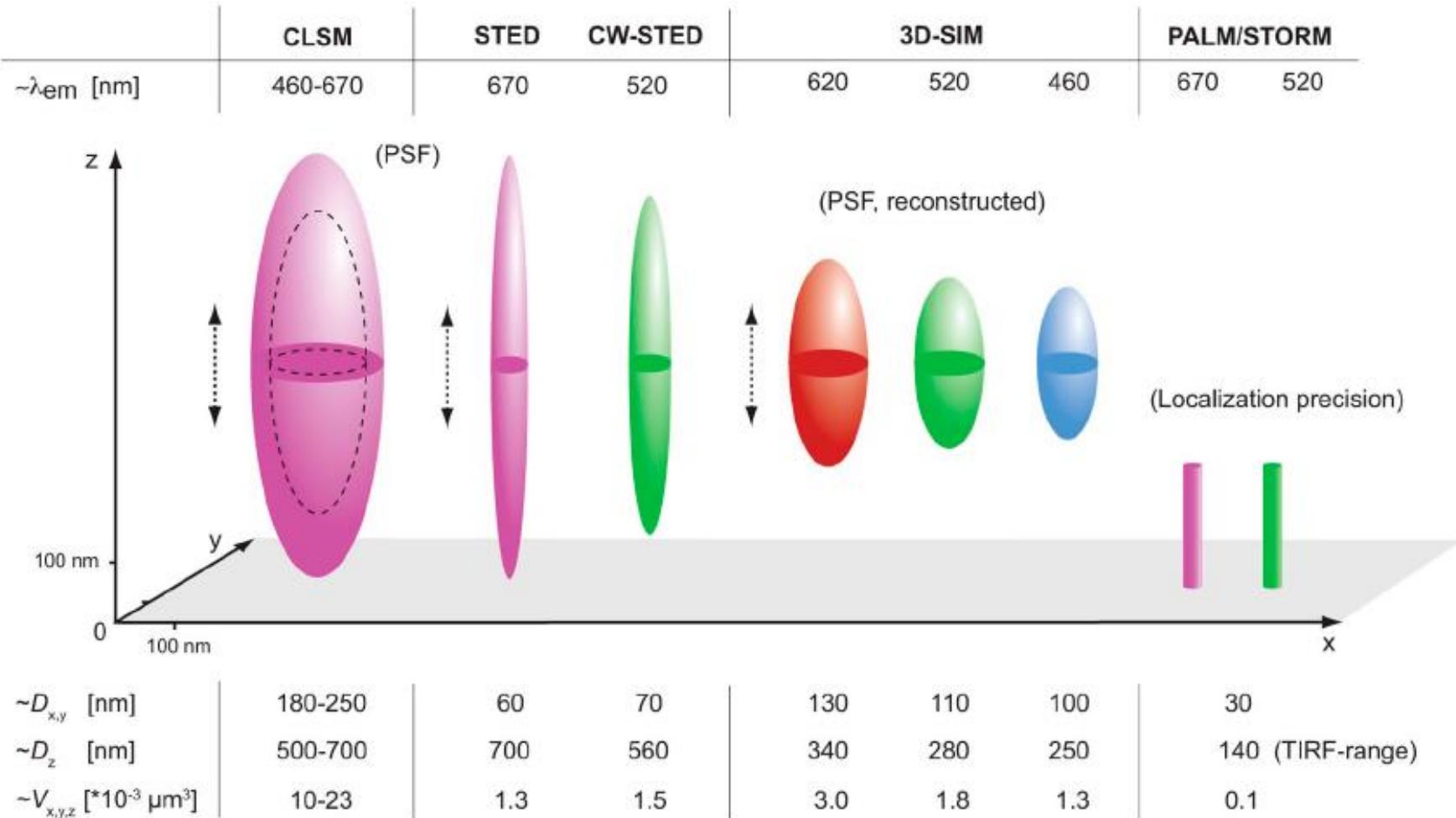


4- π



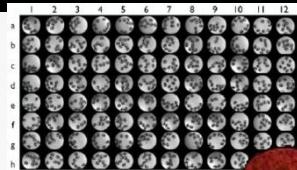
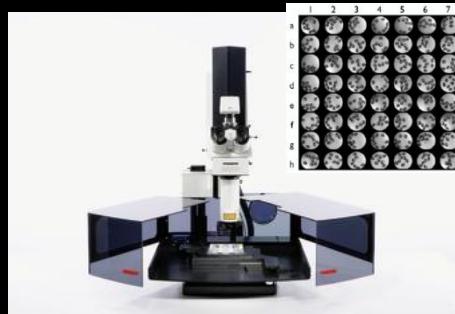
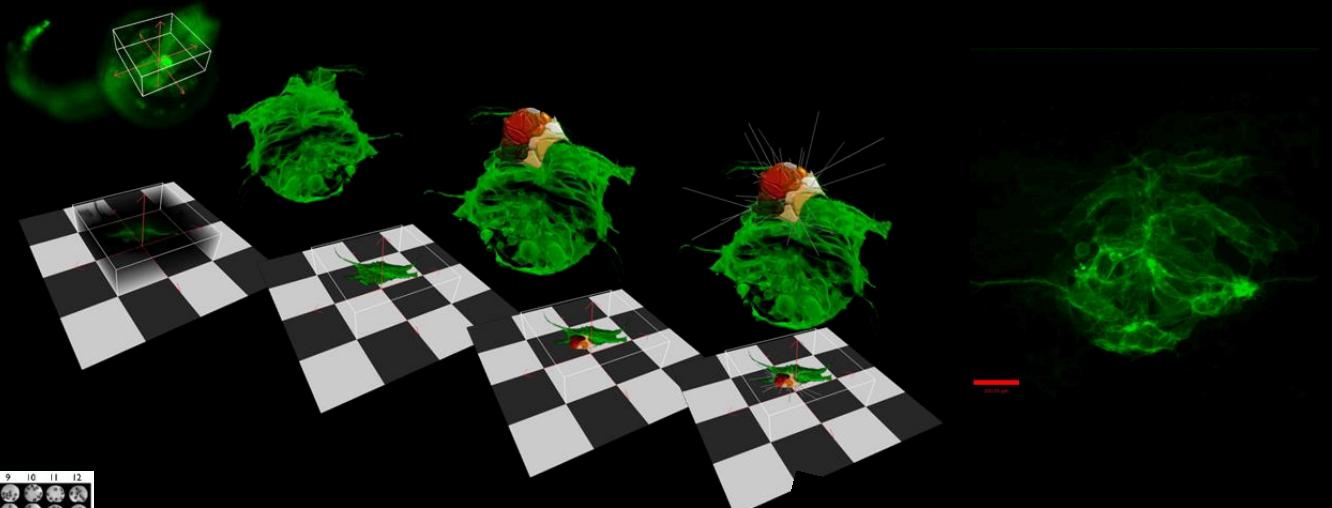
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-> PSF overview





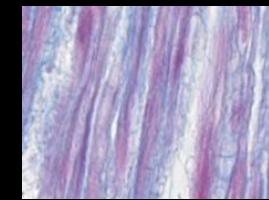
Perkin Elmer Spinning Disk



Leica TCS LSI: Super Zoom Confocal + SOFI

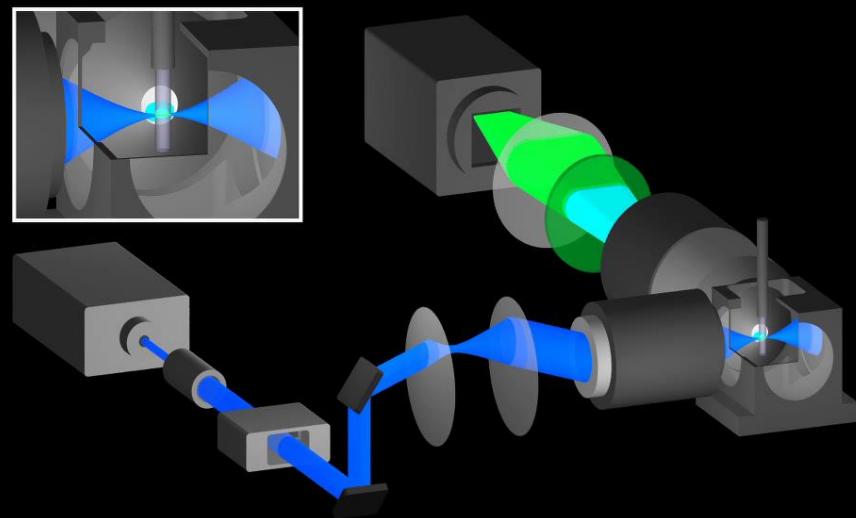


TB Data per
Experiment

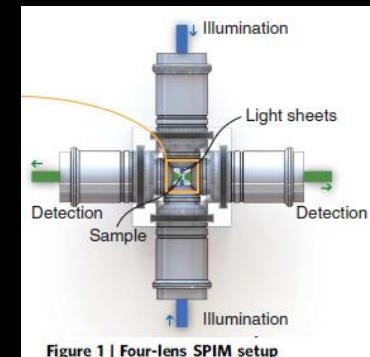


NanoZoomer: Tissue Imaging

|-> Light Sheet Microscopy

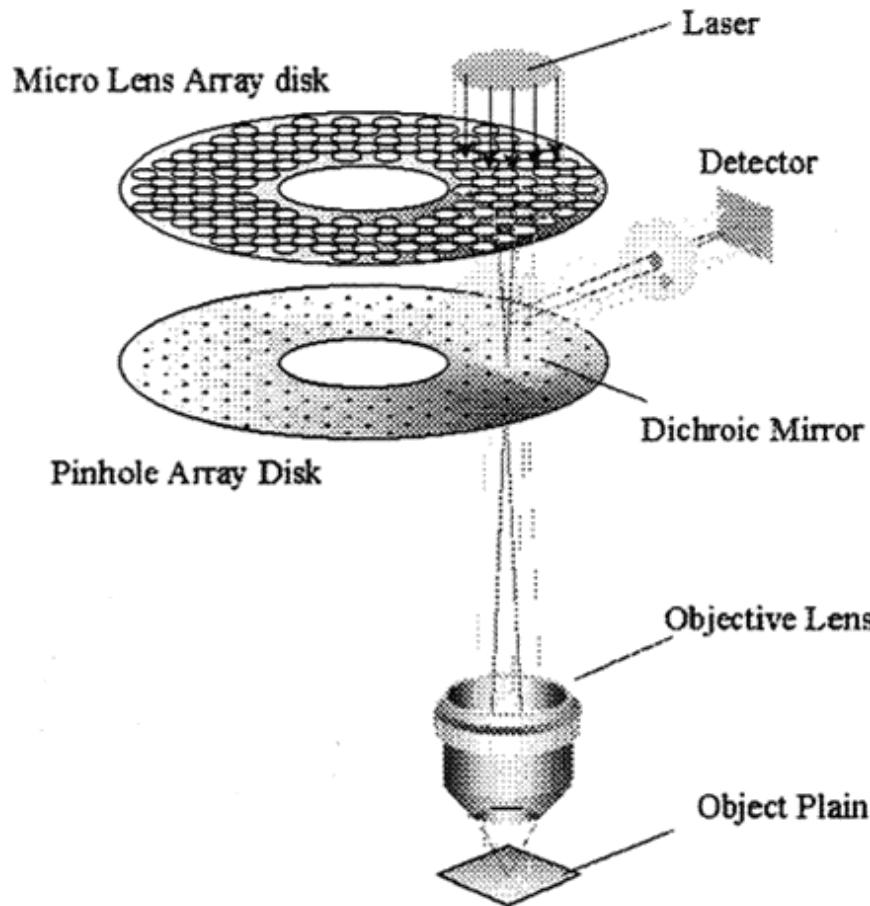


Ulrich Kubitscheck
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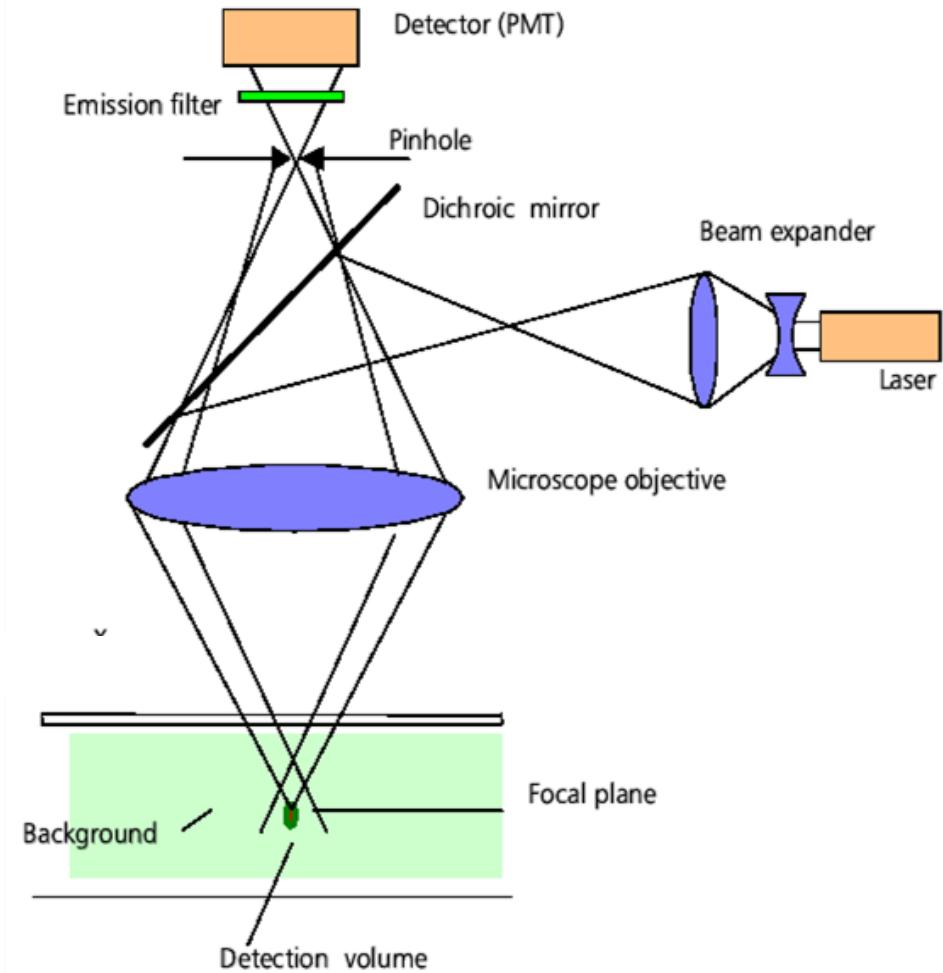


Jan Huisken
Dresden

|-> Spinning Disk



spinning disk



confocal

|-> Diffraction limited microscopy

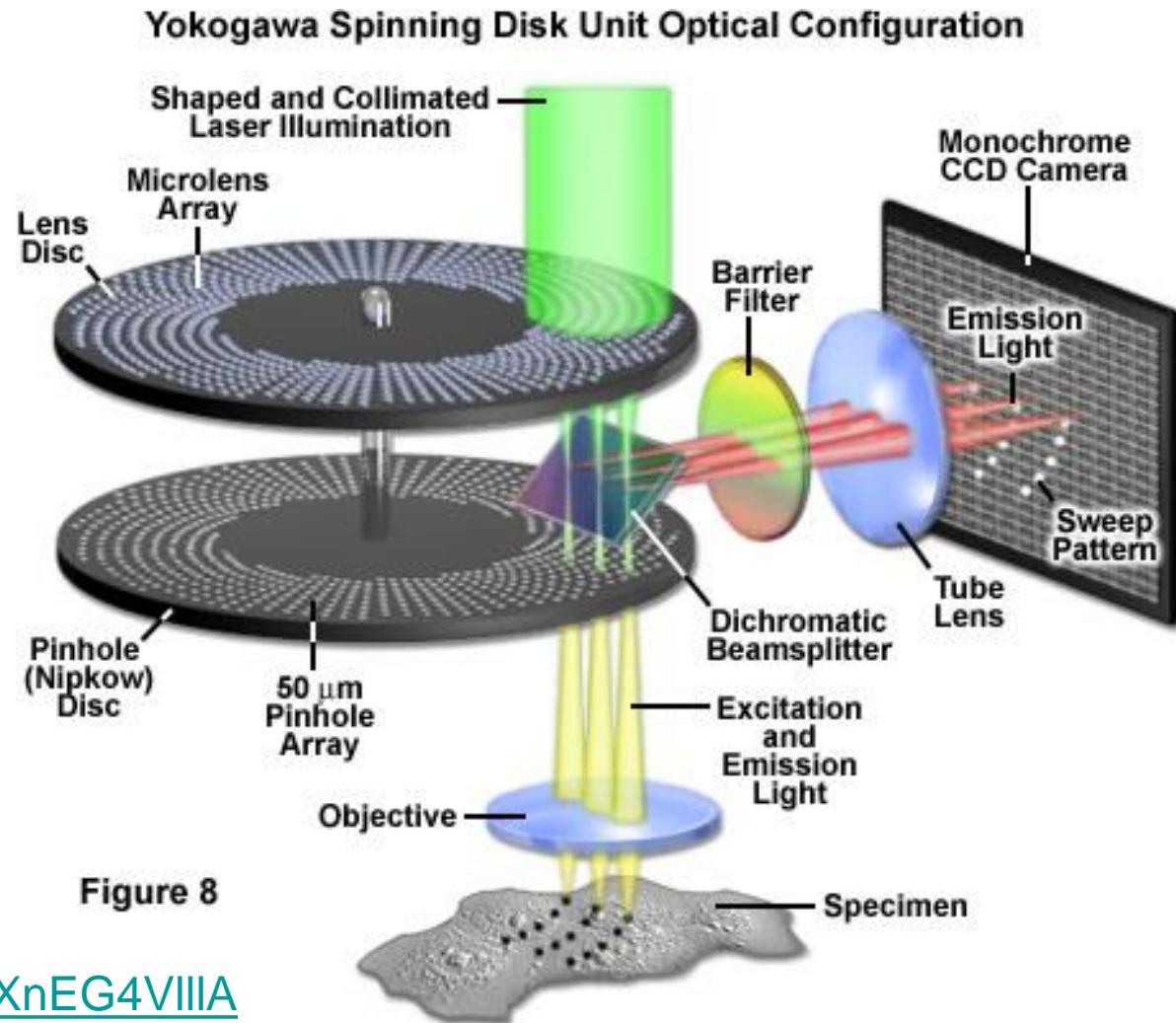
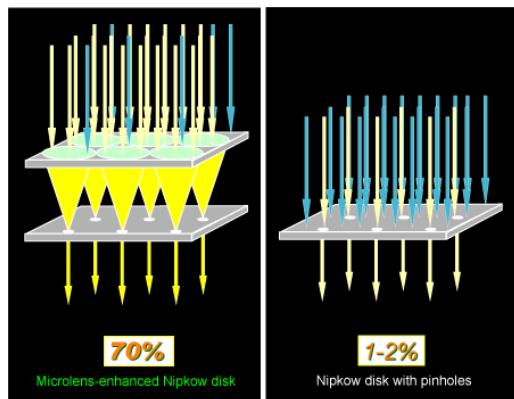
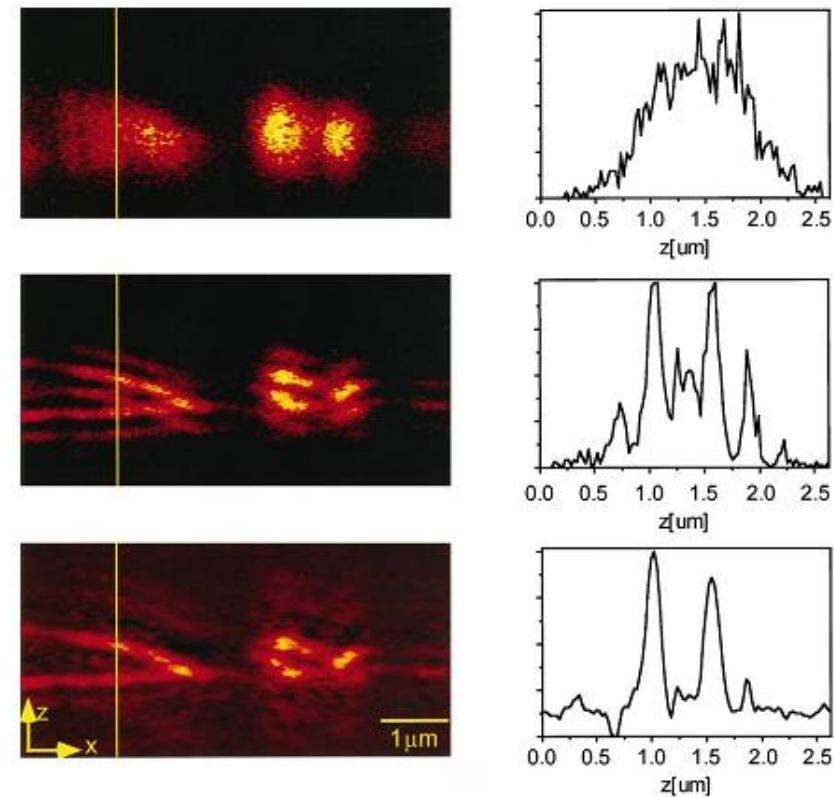
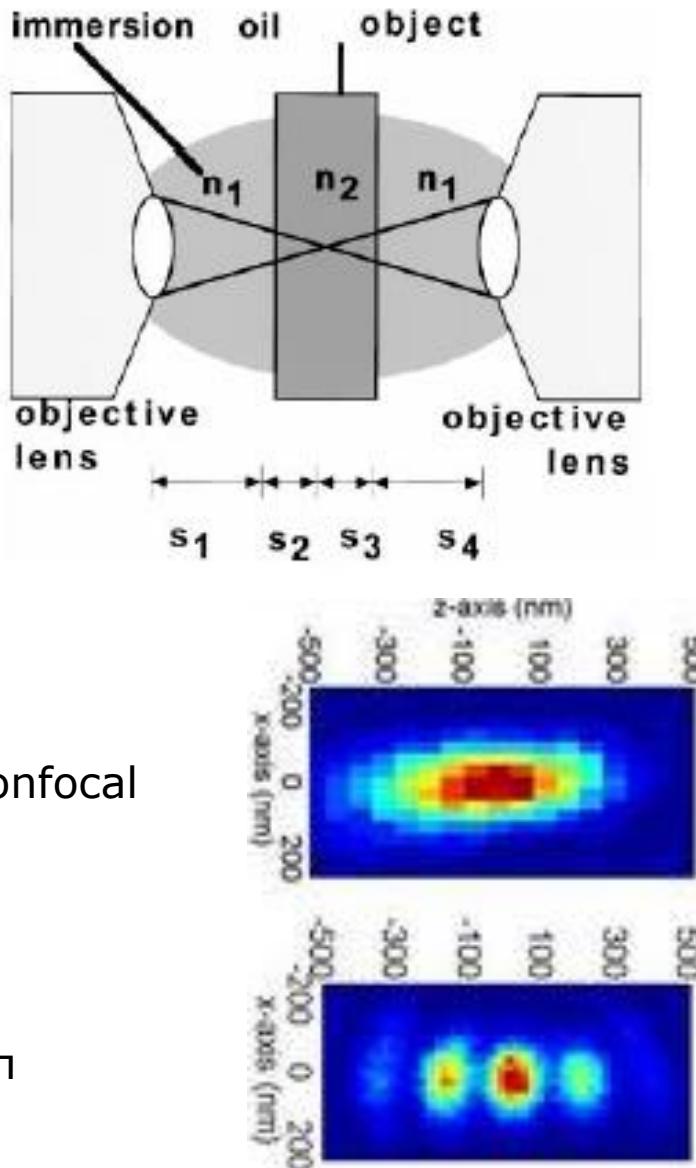


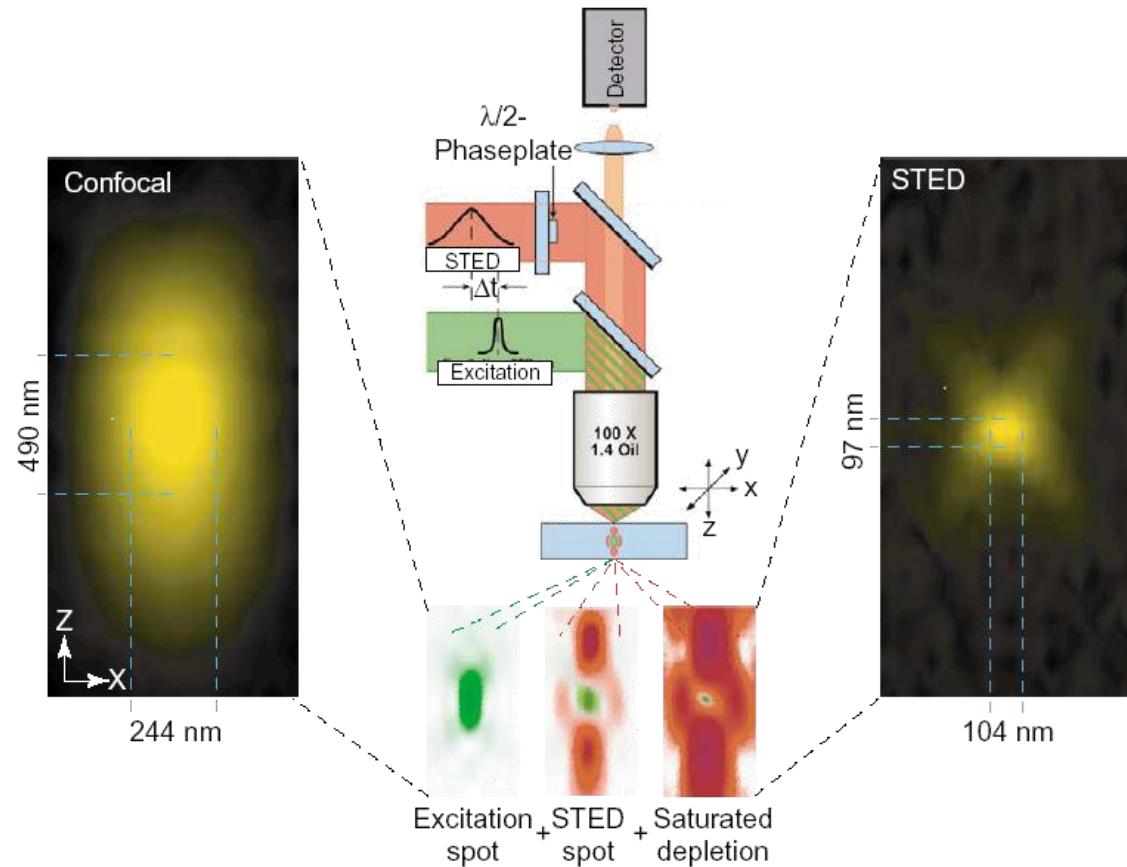
Figure 8



4Pi-Confocal Imaging in Fixed Biological Specimens
 Martin Schrader,* Karsten Bahlmann,* Günter Giese,* and Stefan W. Hell*
 Biophysical Journal Volume 75 October 1998 1659-1668

STED Microscopy

Stimulated Emission Depletion

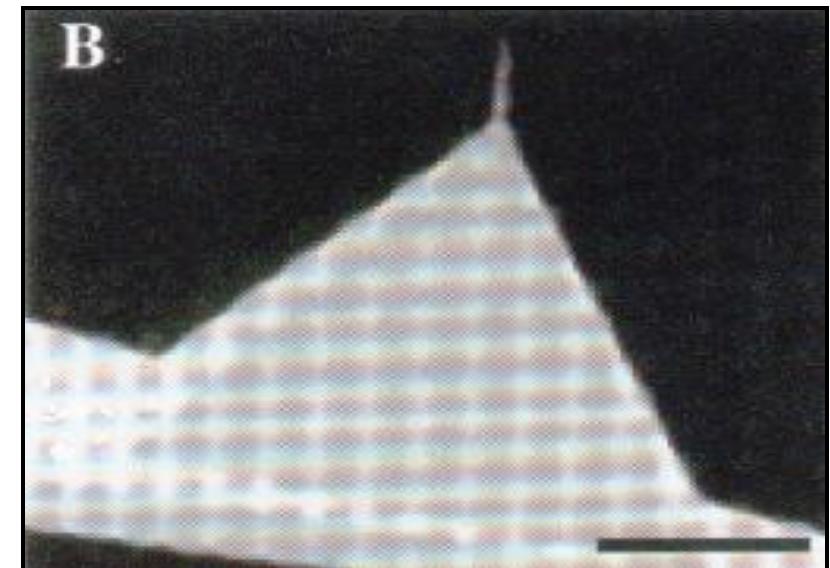
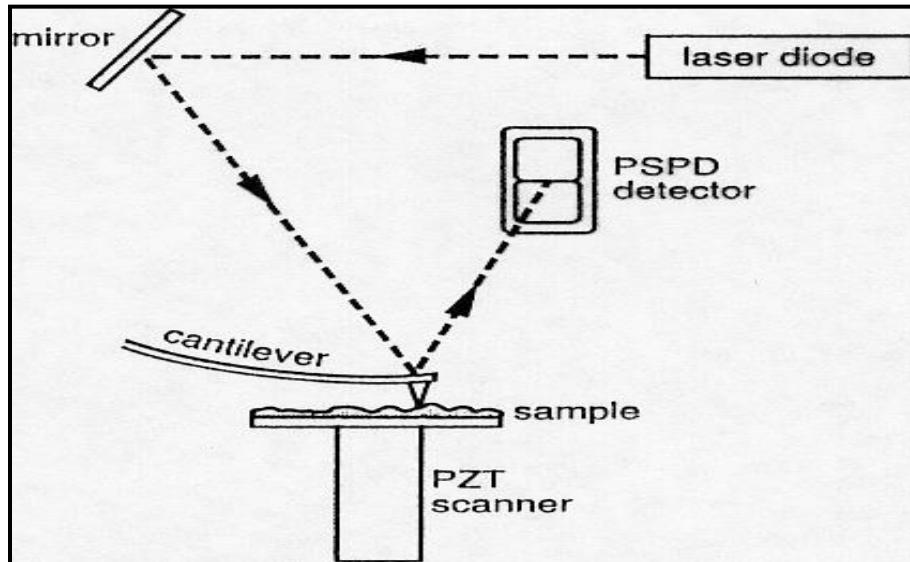


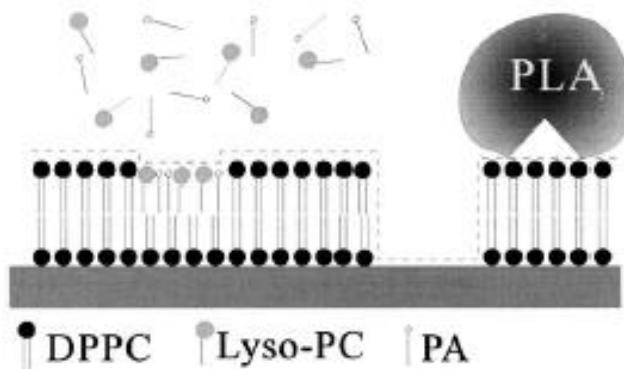
Concepts for nanoscale resolution in fluorescence microscopy
 Stefan W Hell*, Marcus Dyba¹ and Stefan Jakobs²

Current Opinion in Neurobiology 2004, 14:599–609

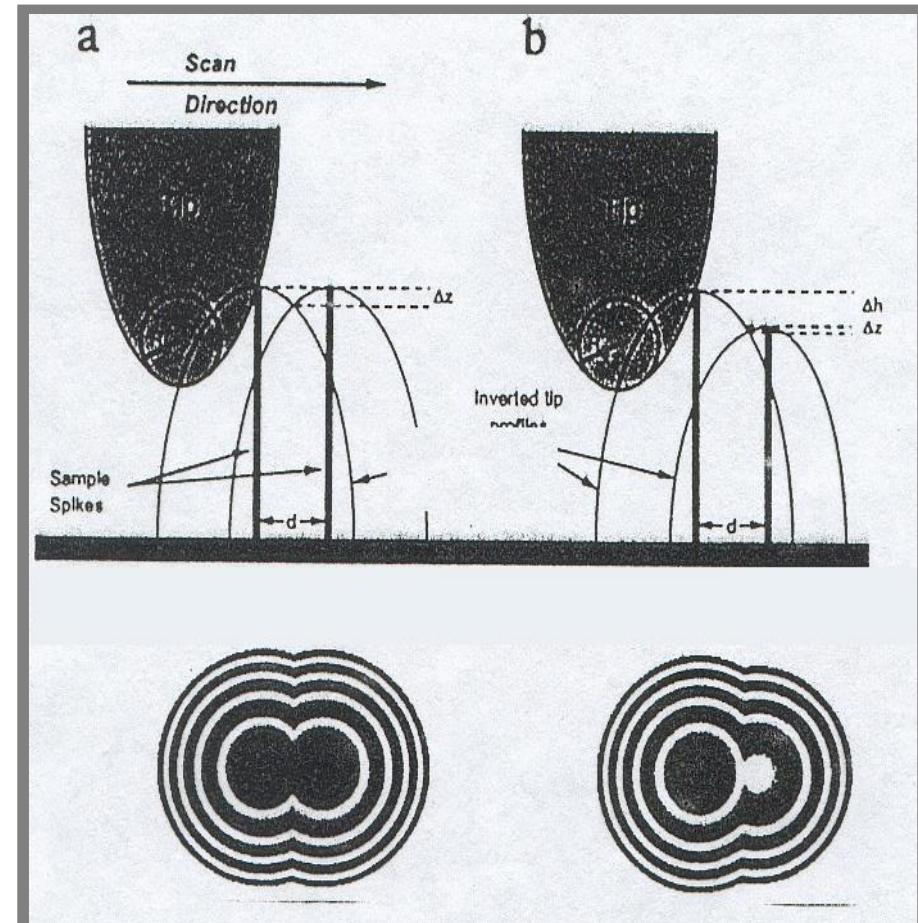
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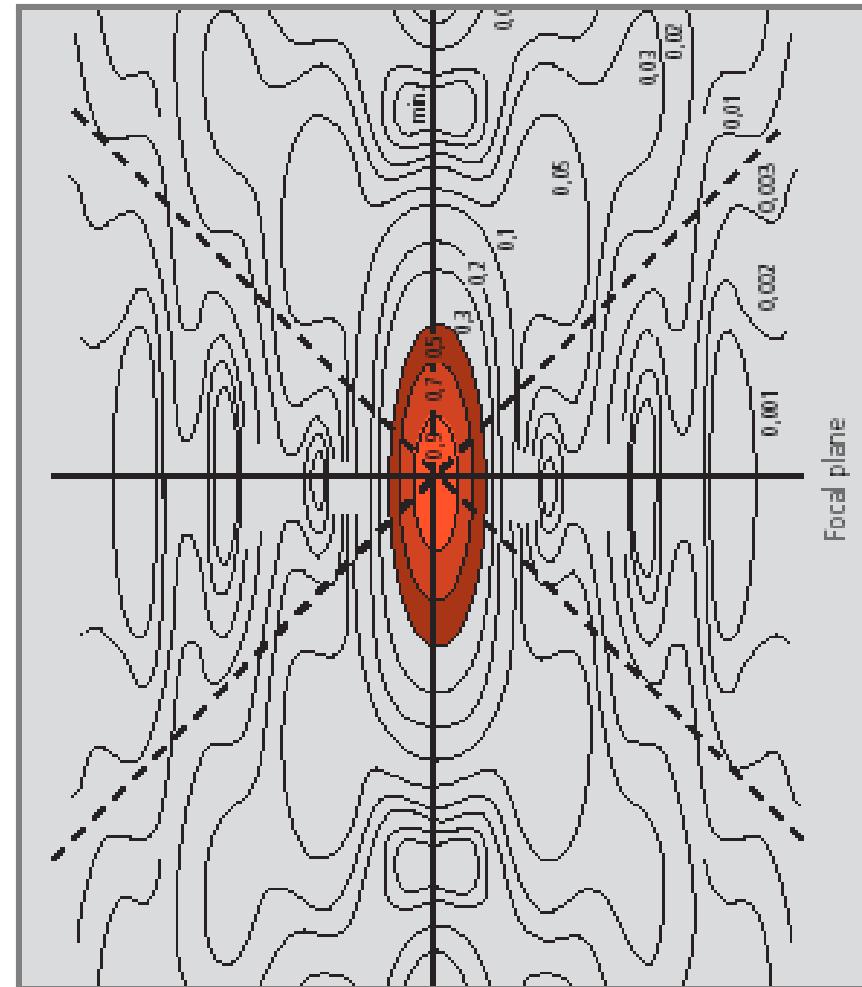
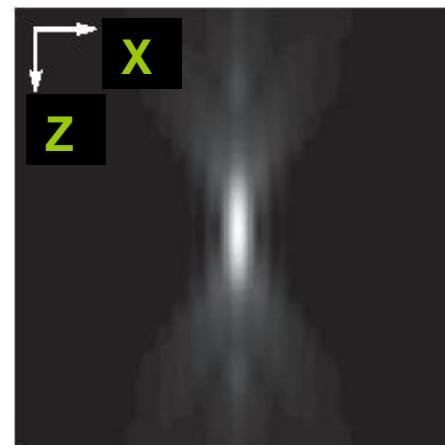
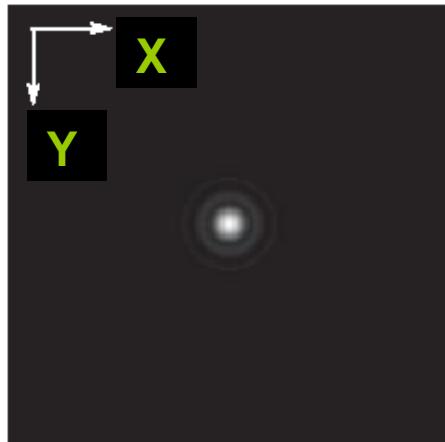
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- **millisecond** temporal resolution
- **piconewton** force sensitivity

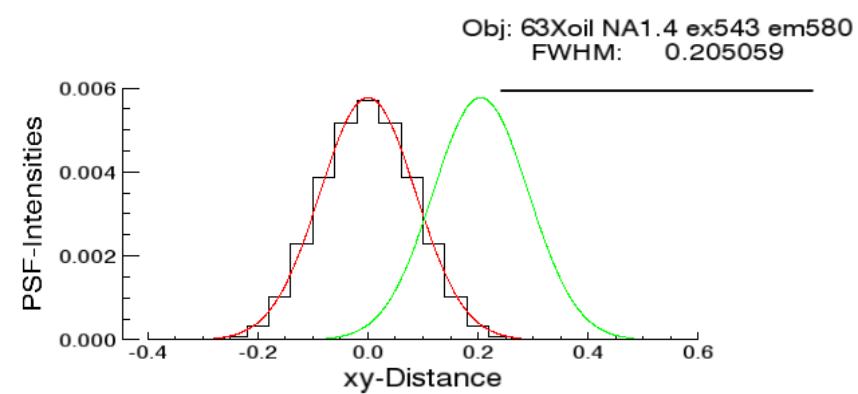
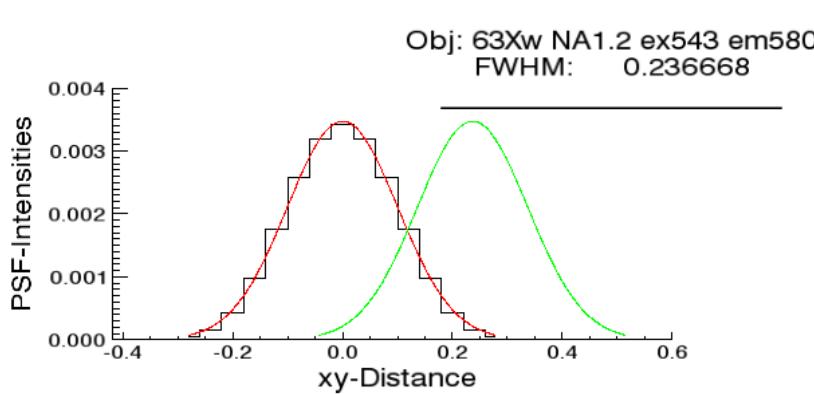
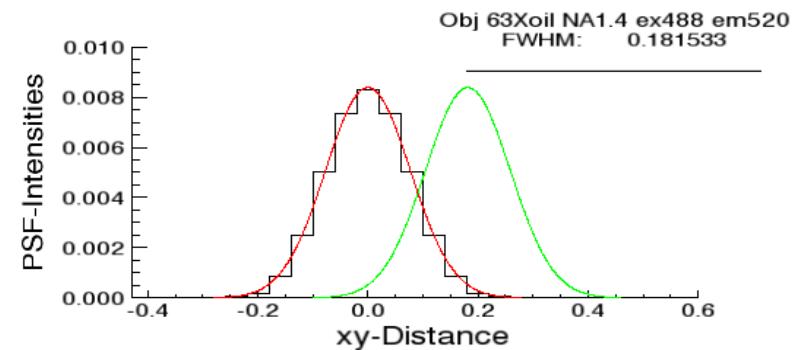
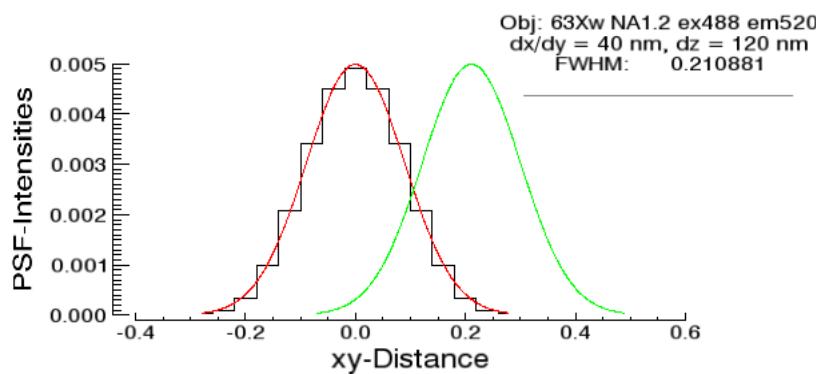


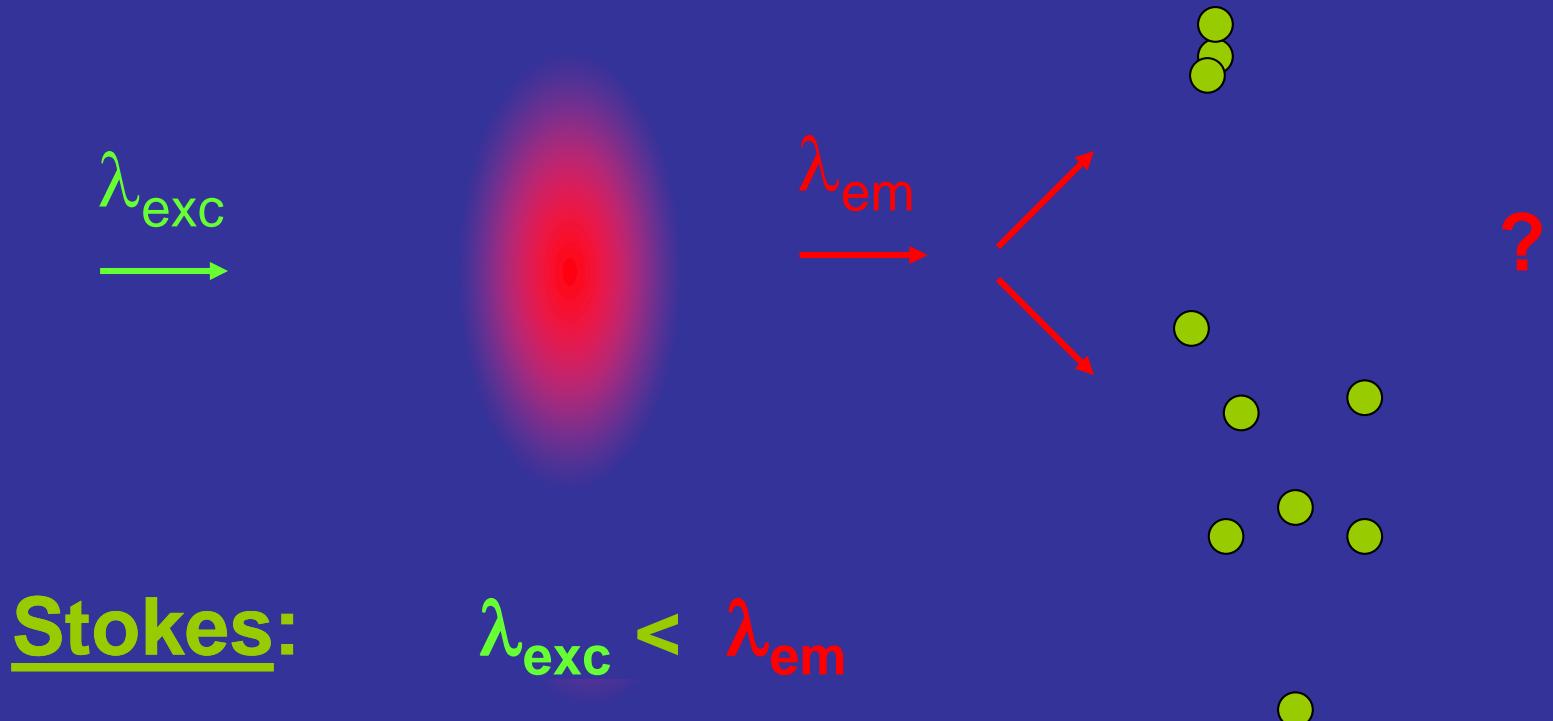


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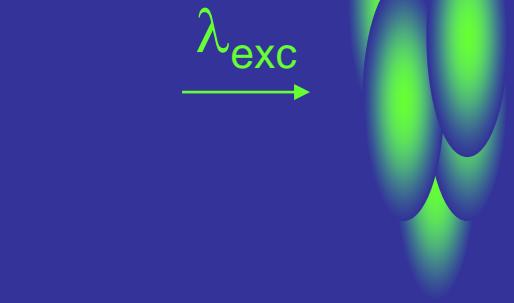




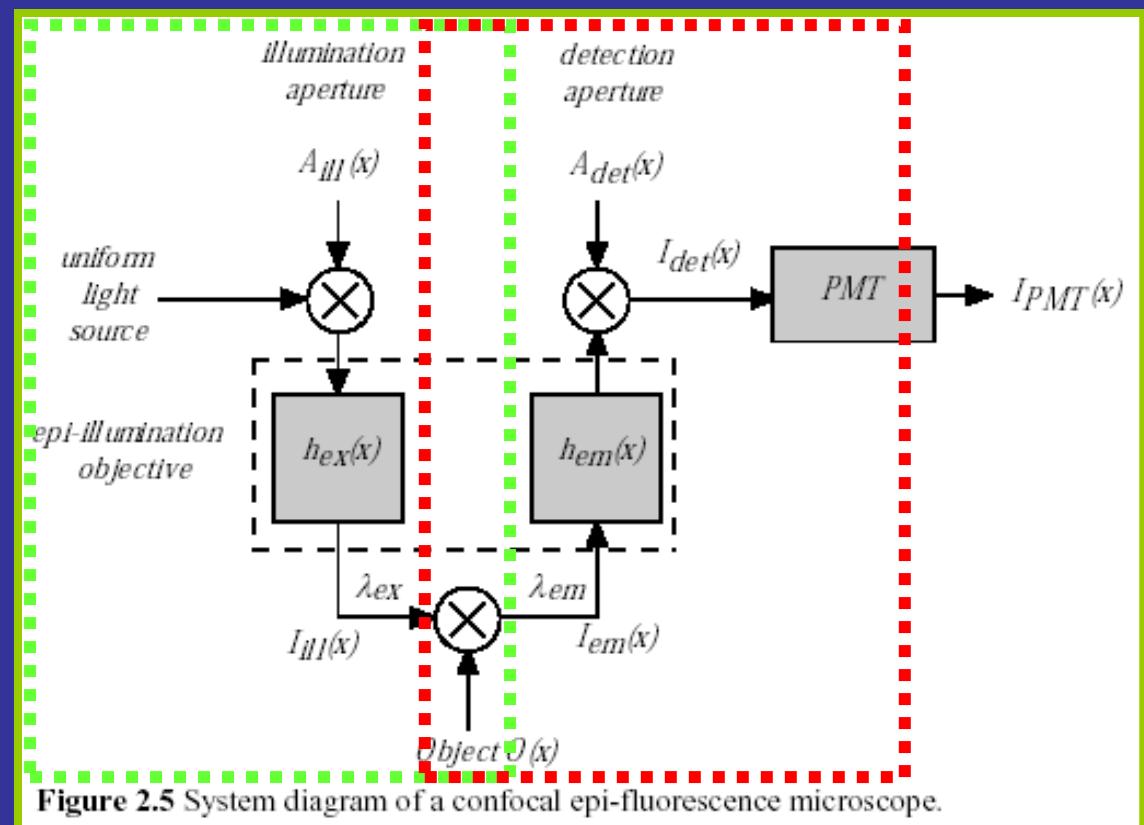
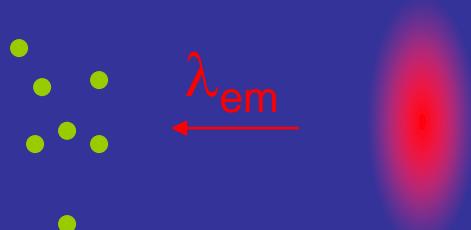




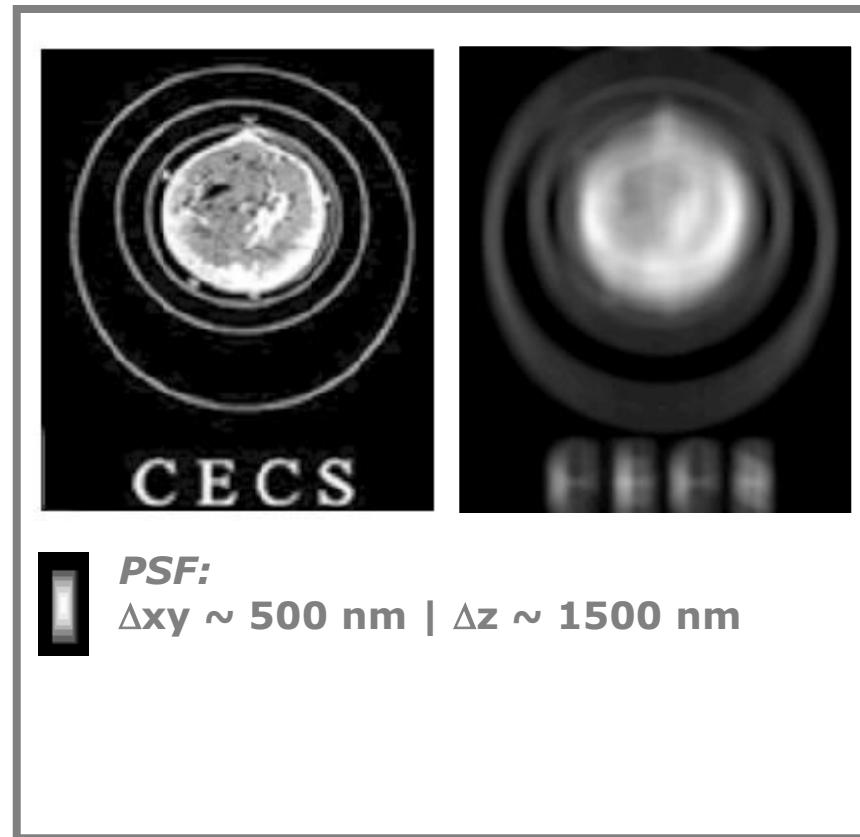
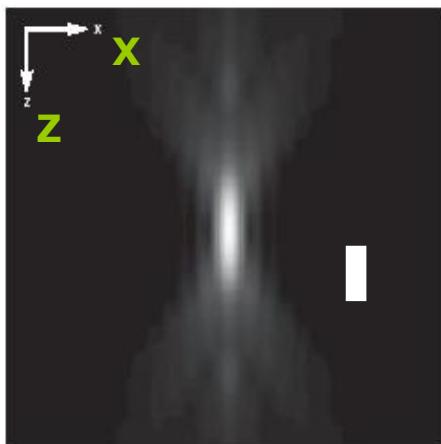
|-> Convolution



Stokes: $\lambda_{\text{exc}} < \lambda_{\text{em}}$
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| -> Convolution



|-> Deconvolution

PSF: Point Spread Function

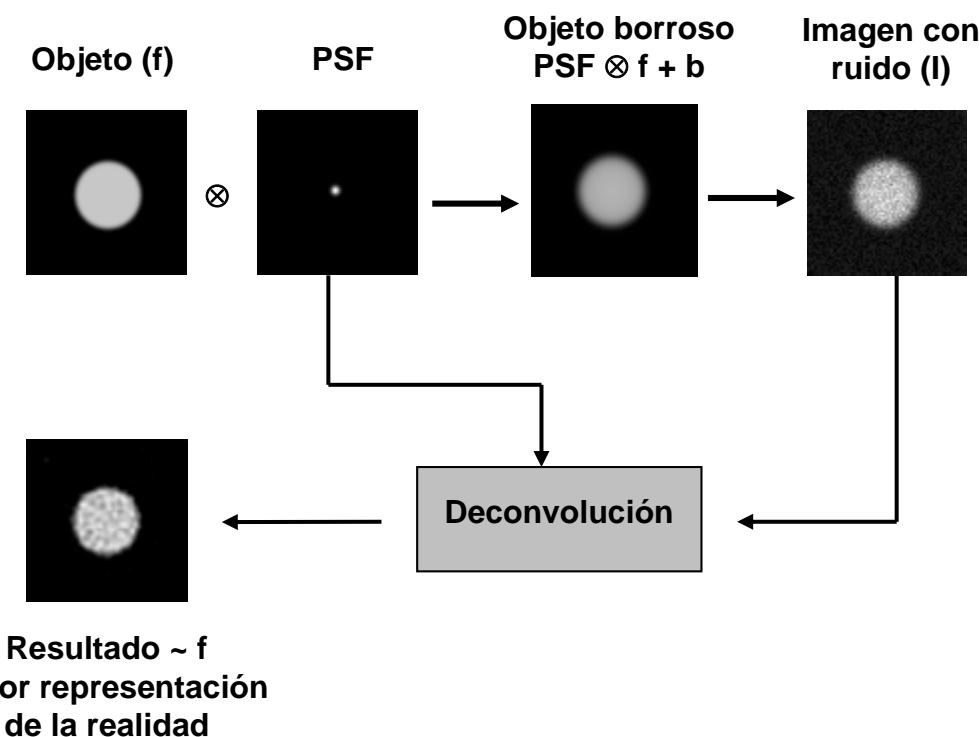
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f: Object Function

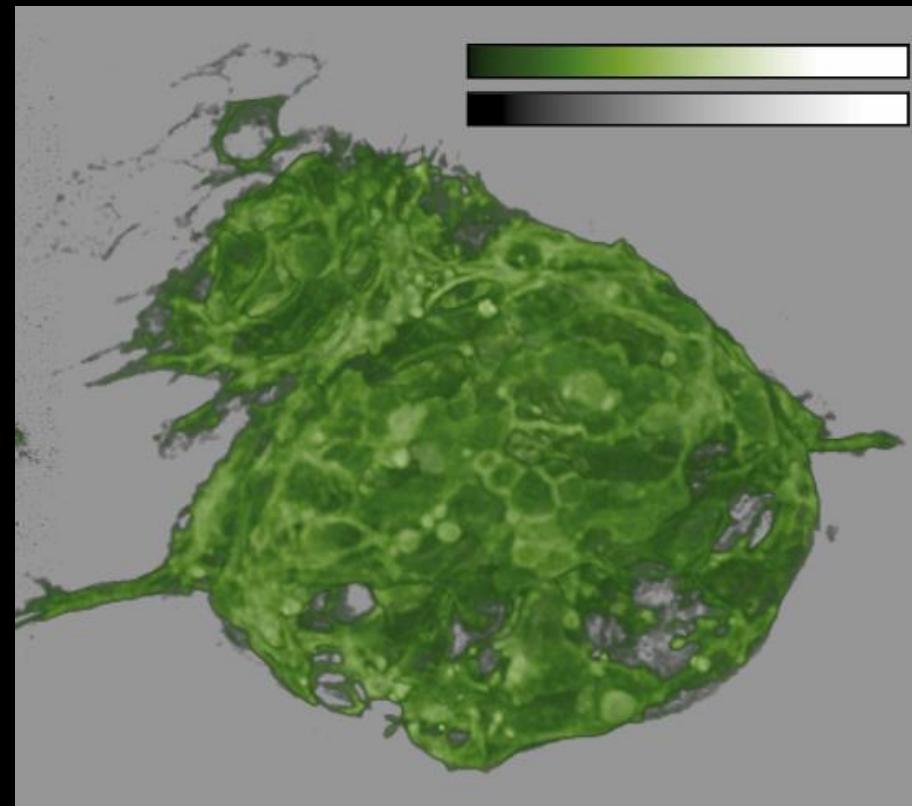
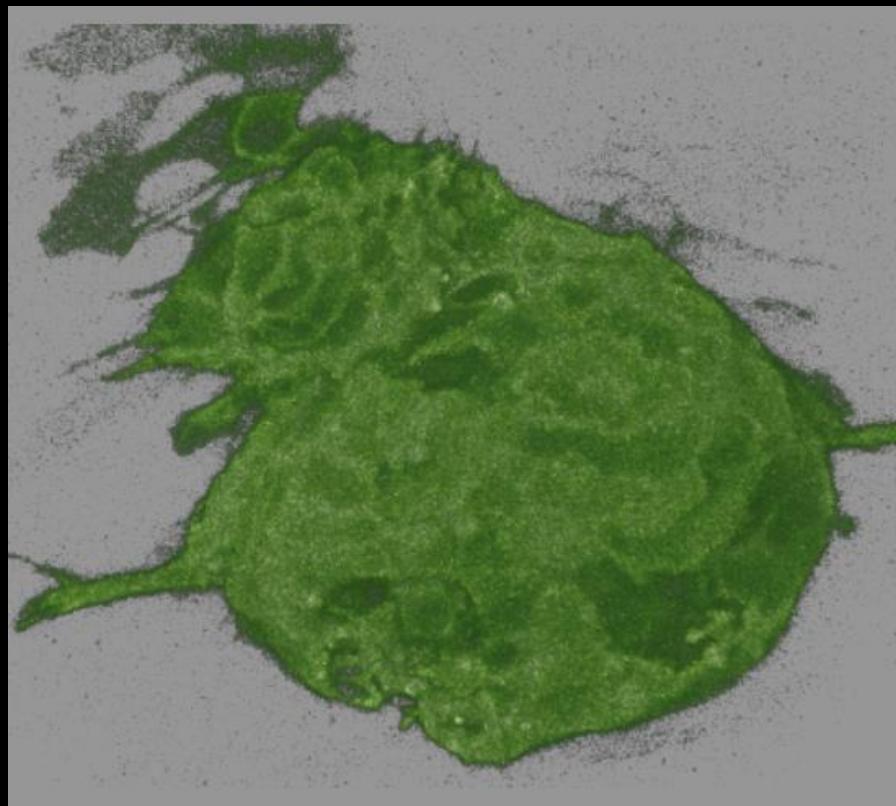
b: Offset Function

I: Image Matrix

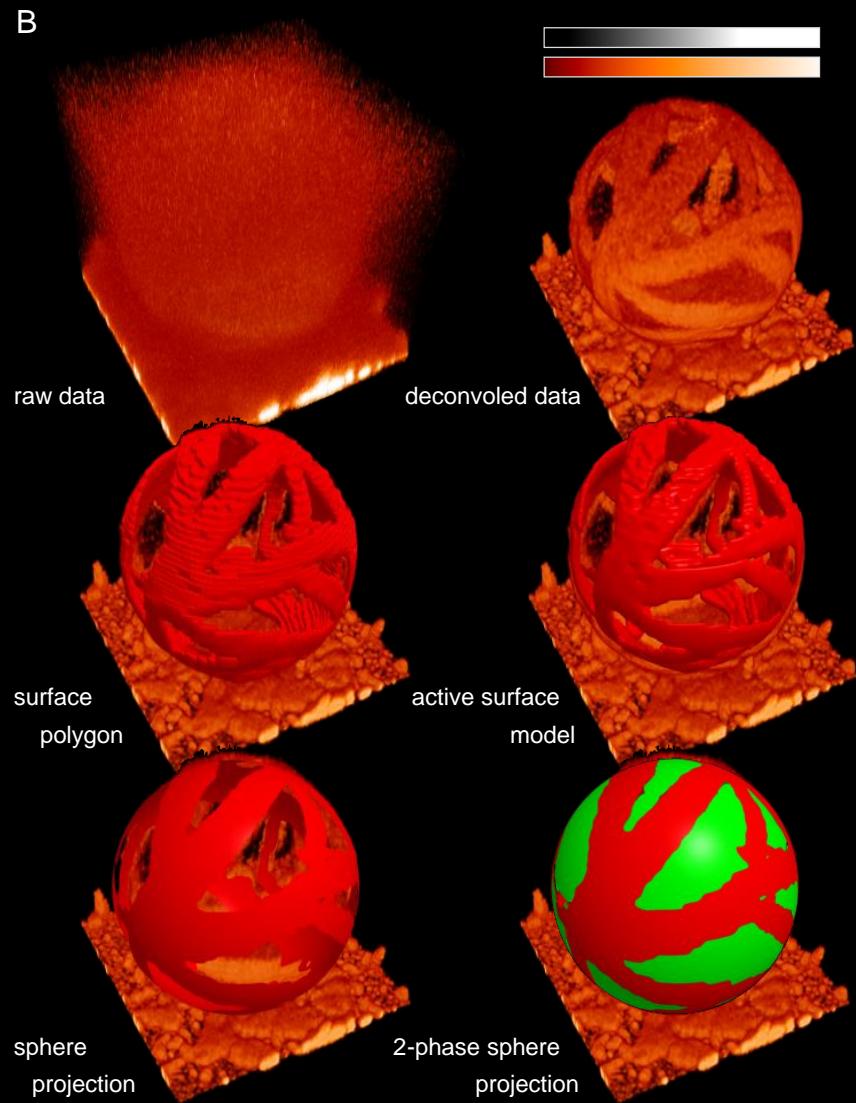
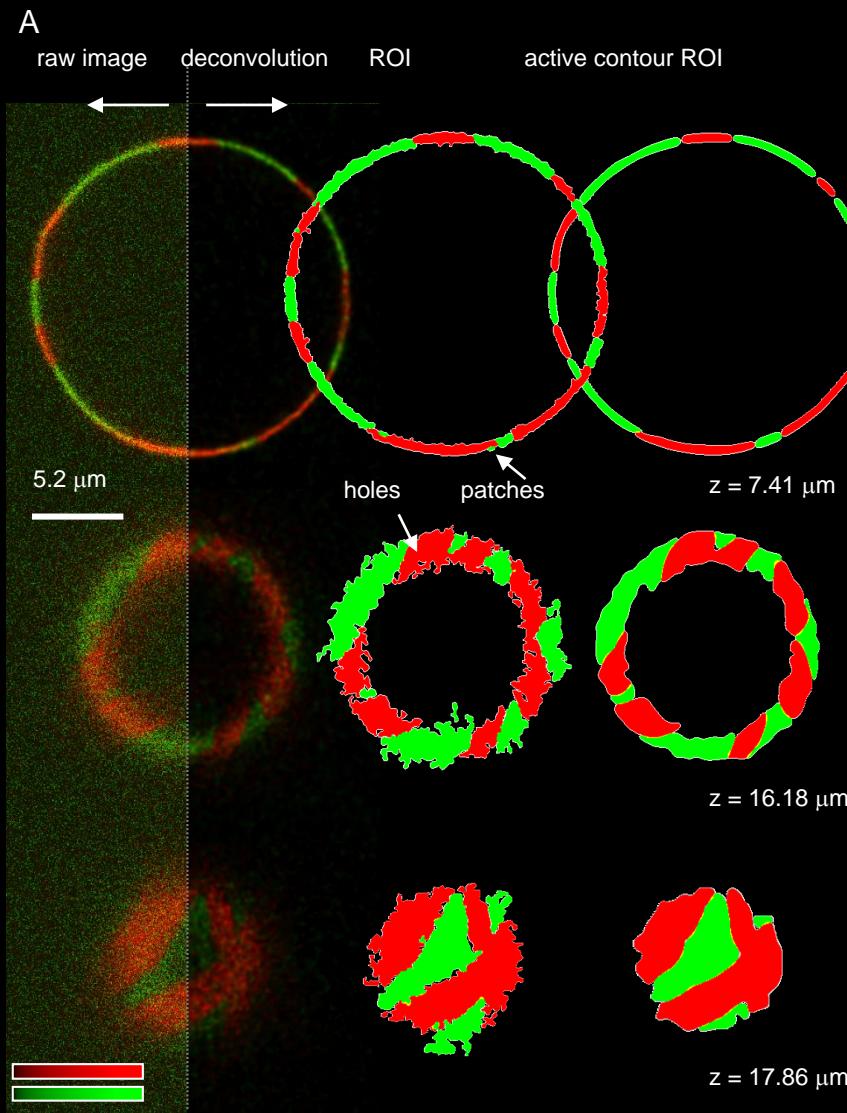
N: Noise Function



|-> Deconvolution



| -> Deconvolution



PSF: Point Spread Function

f: Object Function

b: Offset Function

I: Image Matrix

N: Noise Function



$$N(PSF(x, y, z) \otimes f(x, y, z) + b(x, y, z)) = I(x, y, z)$$

Calculator


confocal
 widefield
 nippkow
 4Pi

Select one

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Calculate also PSF

|-> Pinhole

PSF: Point Spread Function

f: Object Function

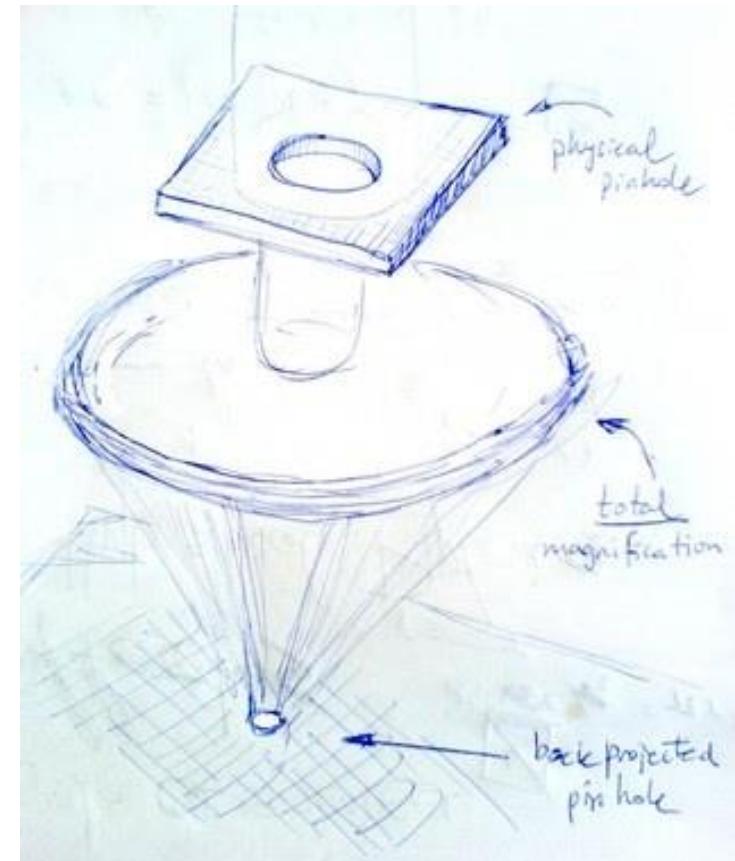
b: Offset Function

I: Image Matrix

N: Noise Function

$$N(PSF(x, y, z) \otimes f(x, y, z) + b(x, y, z)) = I(x, y, z)$$

Backprojected confocal pinhole



<http://support.svi.nl/wiki/NyquistCalculator>

PSF: Point Spread Function

f: Object Function

b: Offset Function

I: Image Matrix

N: Noise Function

$$N(\mathbf{PSF}(x, y, z) \otimes f(x, y, z) + b(x, y, z)) = I(x, y, z)$$

Biorad

- [Biorad MRC 500, 600 and 1024](#)
- [Biorad Radiance](#)

Olympus

- [Olympus FV300](#)
- [Olympus FV500](#)
- [Olympus FV1000](#)

Leica

- [Leica confocals TCS 4d, SP1 and NT](#)
- [Leica confocal SP2](#)
- [Leica confocal SP5](#)

Zeiss

- [Zeiss LSM410 inverted](#)
- [Zeiss LSM510](#)

Nikon

- [TE2000-E with the C1 scanning head](#)



Literature: eg. Noise Theory and Application to Physics: Philippe Réfrégier, Springer

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- Black Body Irradiation (Poisson)
- Detector Noise (Gauss)

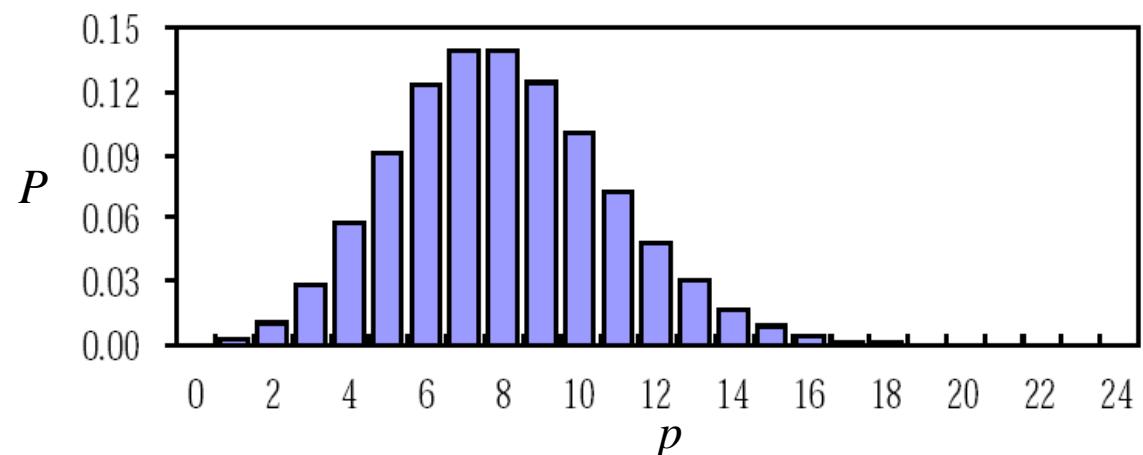
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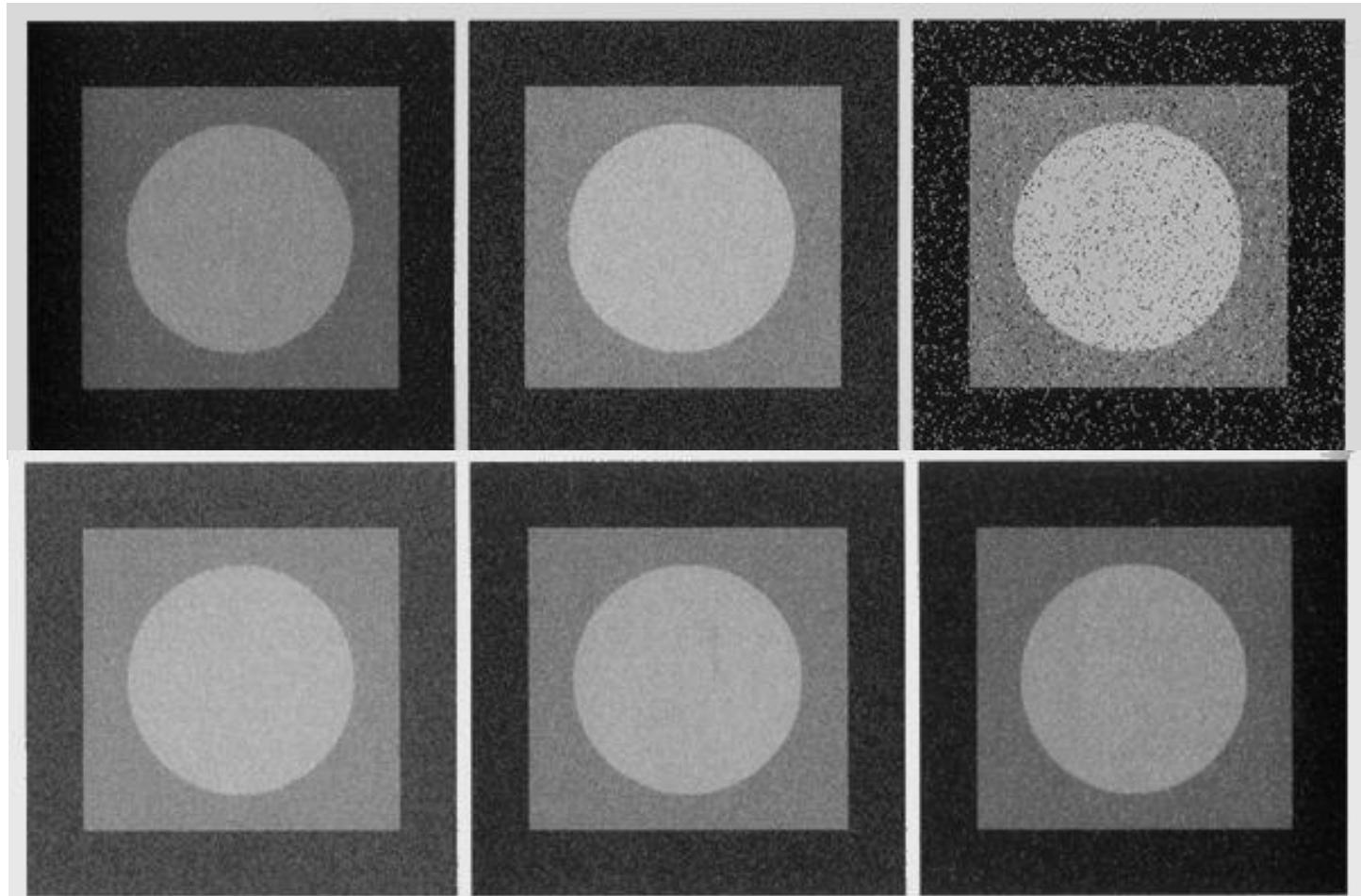
$$P(p, \mu) = \frac{\mu^p}{p!} \cdot e^{-\mu}$$

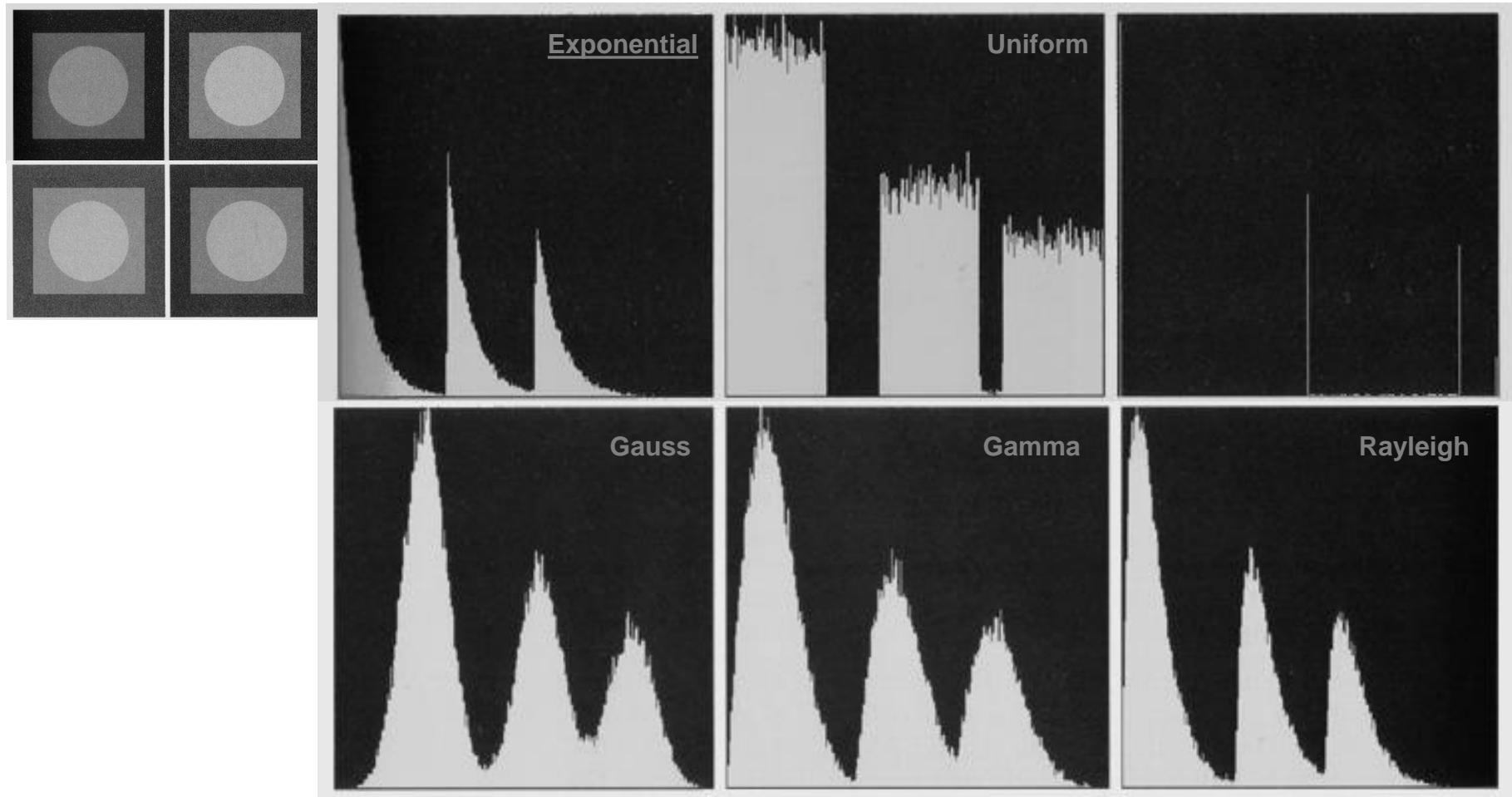
$$1. \bar{p} = \mu = \sigma^2, sd = \sigma = \sqrt{\bar{p}} = \sqrt{\mu}$$

$$2. \text{counting: } \bar{p} \pm \sqrt{\bar{p}}$$

$$3. \text{Poisson(discrete)} \rightarrow \text{Gauss(continuous)}: \mu \rightarrow \infty$$







| -> Noise

The Signal to Noise ratio (SN) is a number not always easy to estimate. The easiest way to obtain some figures is to look at the textures of bright areas in your object image. In the figure at left you see examples of such textures obtained from originally the same object image to which various levels of poisson noise were added.

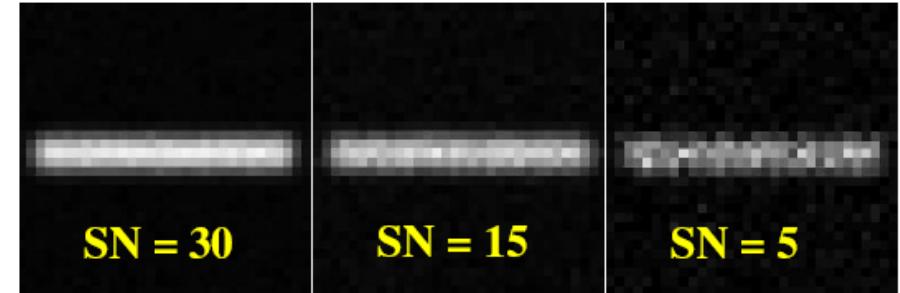
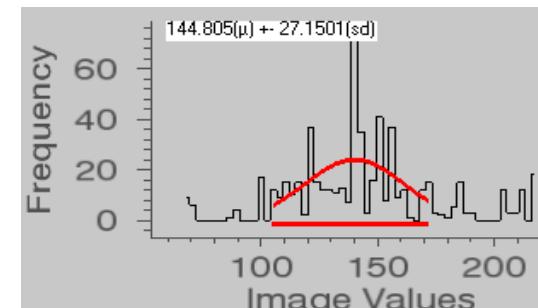
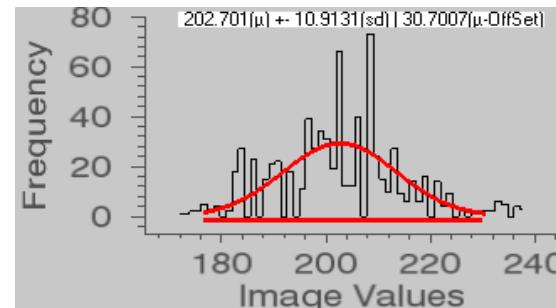
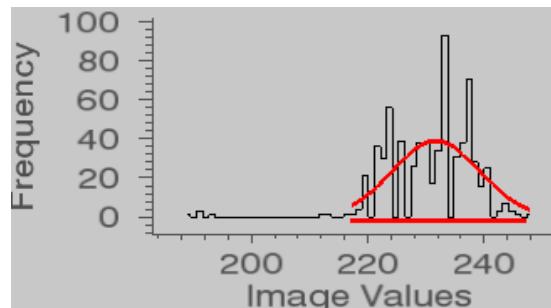
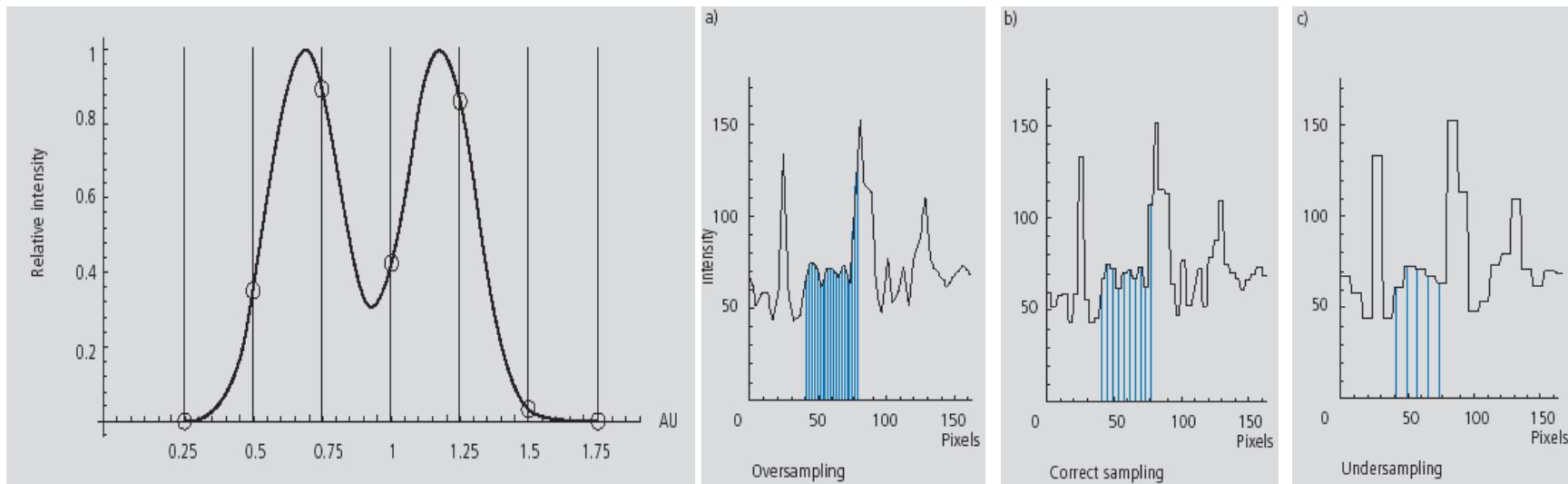


Figure 9. Images with different generated noise levels

$$SNR = \frac{\bar{I}}{\sigma} = \frac{\bar{I}}{\sqrt{\sigma^2}} = \frac{229}{7.5}$$

$$SNR = \frac{\bar{I}}{\sigma} = \frac{\bar{I}}{\sqrt{\sigma^2}} = \frac{200}{10}$$

$$SNR = \frac{\bar{I}}{\sigma} = \frac{\bar{I}}{\sqrt{\sigma^2}} = \frac{139}{27}$$



- Undersampling loses structures.
- Oversampling waists memory/computation time.

The 'Nyquist /Shannon Theorem' or 'Sampling Theorem' for the digital sampling of analogue signals suggests a Nyquist rate $NR \geq 2v$?

! Diffraction theory calculates lateral $NR \sim 20 \text{ pixel}/\mu\text{m} (\sim 50 \text{ nm/pixel})$!
... axial $NR \sim (\sim 150 \text{ nm/pixel})$

PSF: Point Spread Function

f: Object Function

b: Offset Function

I: Image Matrix

N: Noise Function

$$N(PSF(x, y, z) \otimes f(x, y, z) + b(x, y, z)) = I(x, y, z)$$


Calculator
Select one

| | | |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <u>Numerical aperture</u> | <input type="text" value="1.3"/> | |
| <u>Excitation wavelength</u> | <input type="text" value="488"/> | (nm) |
| <u>Emission wavelength</u> | <input type="text" value="520"/> | (nm) |
| <u>Number of excitation photons</u> | <input type="text" value="1"/> | |
| <u>Backprojected pinhole radius</u> | <input type="text" value="250"/> | (nm) |
| <u>B.P. distance between pinholes</u> | <input type="text" value="2.53"/> | Only for Nipkow disks (μm) |
| <u>Lens medium refractive index</u> | <input type="text" value="1.515"/> | |
| <u>Specimen medium refractive index</u> | <input type="text" value="1.45"/> | |
| <u>Acquisition depth</u> | <input type="text" value="0"/> | (μm) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Calculate also PSF | | |

<http://support.svi.nl/wiki/NyquistCalculator>

PSF: Point Spread Function

f: Object Function

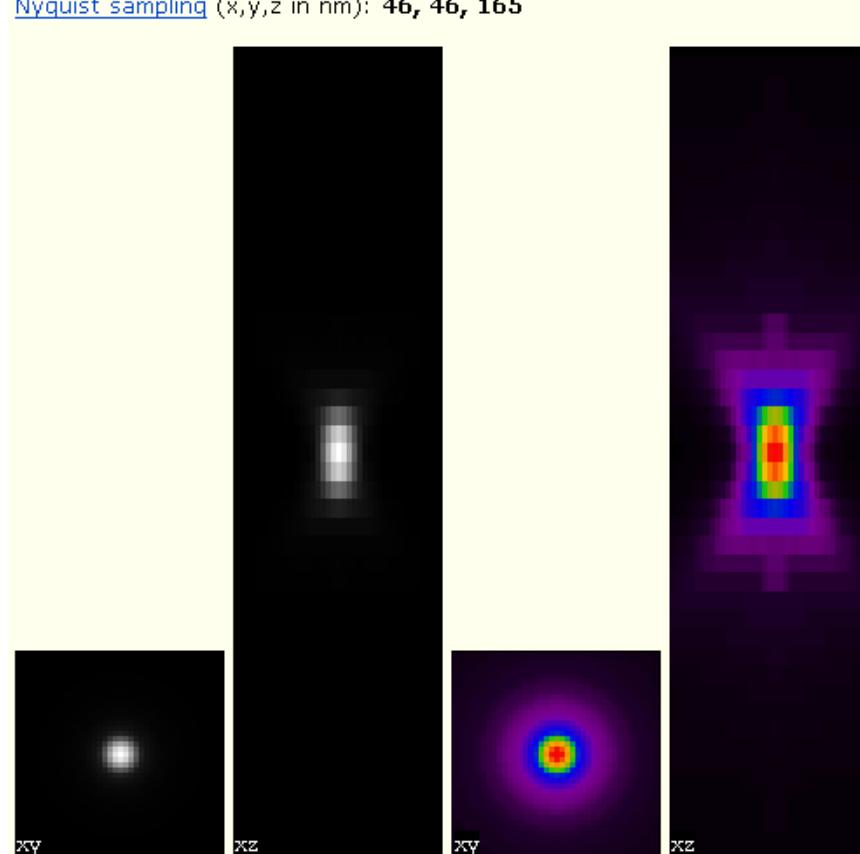
b: Offset Function

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N: Noise Function

$$N(\mathbf{PSF}(x, y, z) \otimes \mathbf{f}(x, y, z) + \mathbf{b}(x, y, z)) = \mathbf{I}(x, y, z)$$

Nyquist sampling (x,y,z in nm): 46, 46, 165

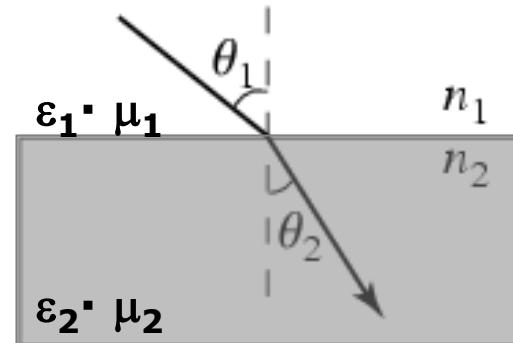


Index of refraction: $n = (\epsilon \cdot \mu)^{1/2} = c/v$,
 ϵ electric permittivity and μ magnetic permeability.

Snell's Law:

$$\sin\theta_1 n_1 = \sin\theta_2 n_2$$

- **1.518 [Zeiss Oil]**
- **1.33 [Water]**
- **1.0008 [Air]**



Refractive Index:

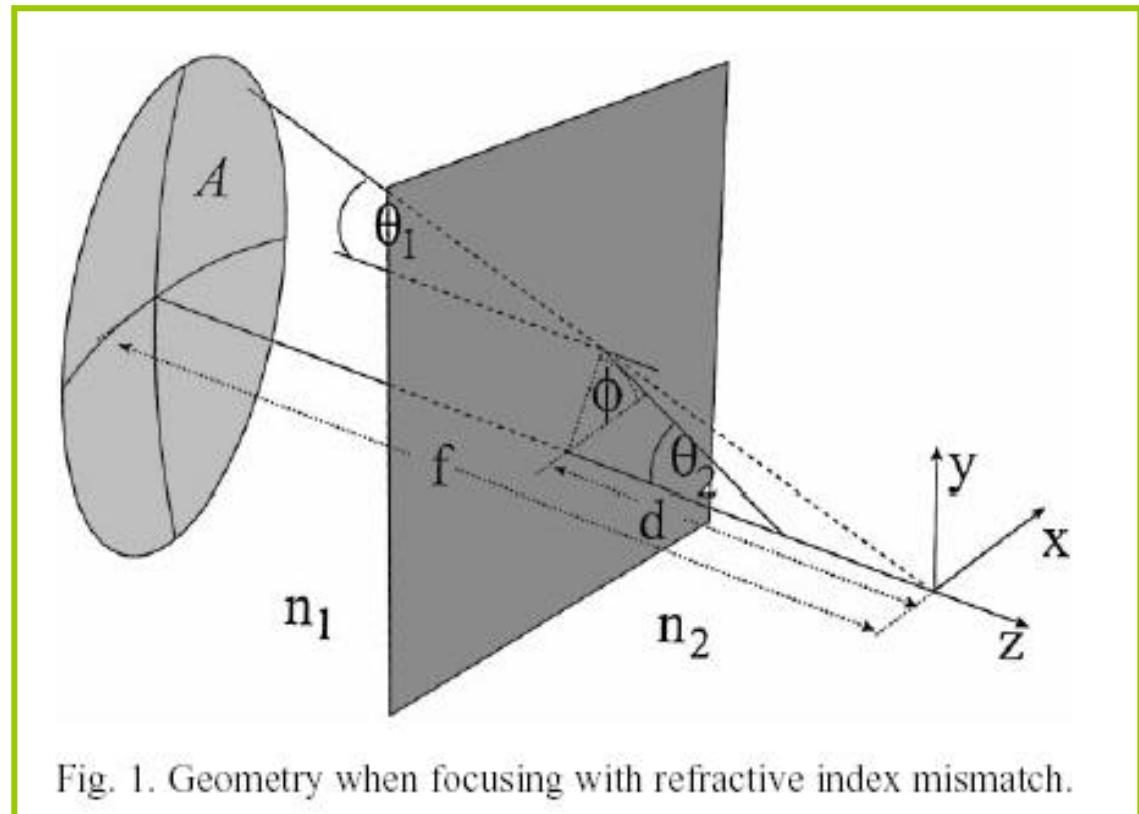
$$\text{RI} = n_1/n_2 = v_2/v_1$$

Snell's Law:

$$\sin \theta_1 n_1 = \sin \theta_2 n_2$$

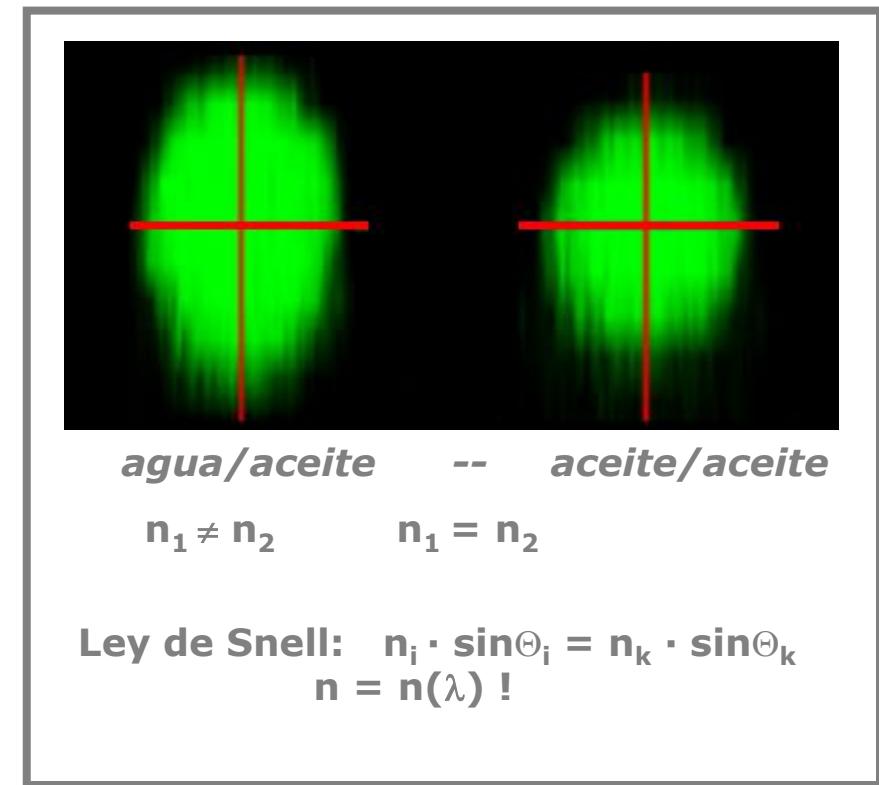
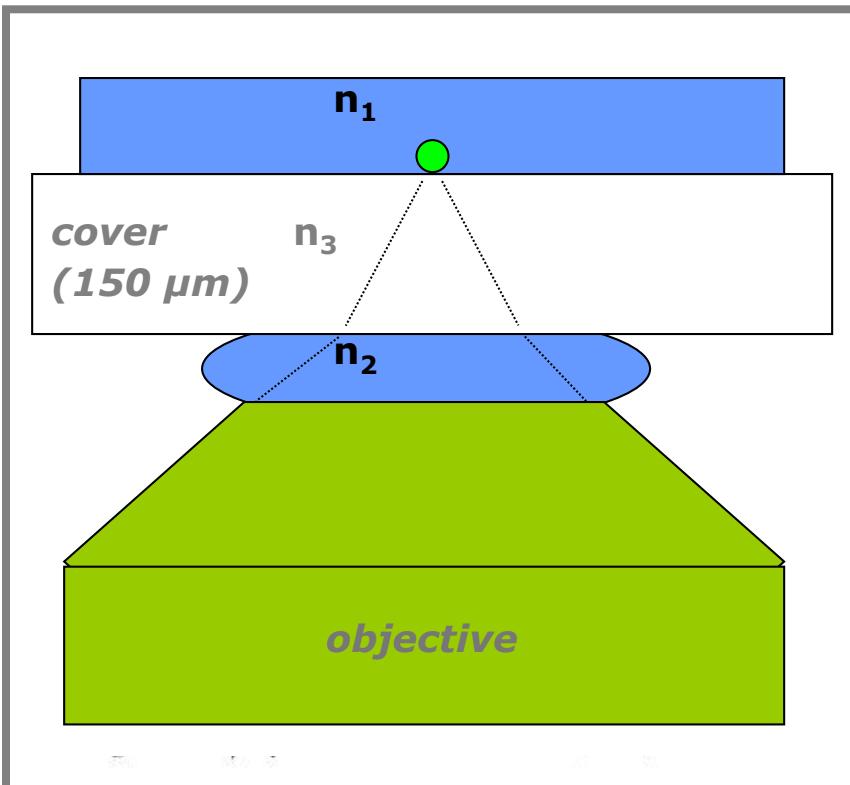
$$n = n(\lambda) !$$

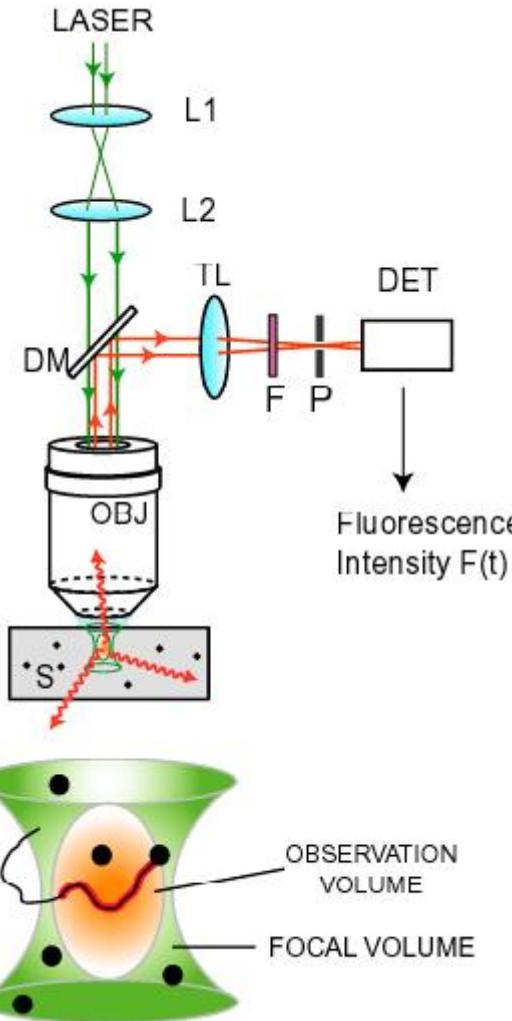
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(Egner et al 1998)

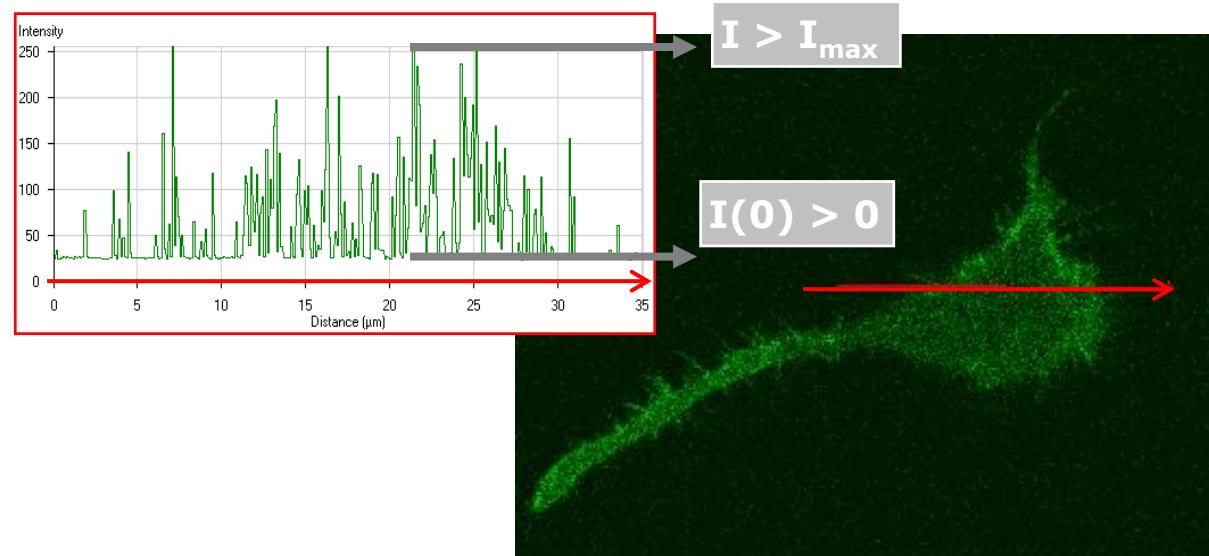
● Micro-esfera: $\emptyset = 6 \mu\text{m}$

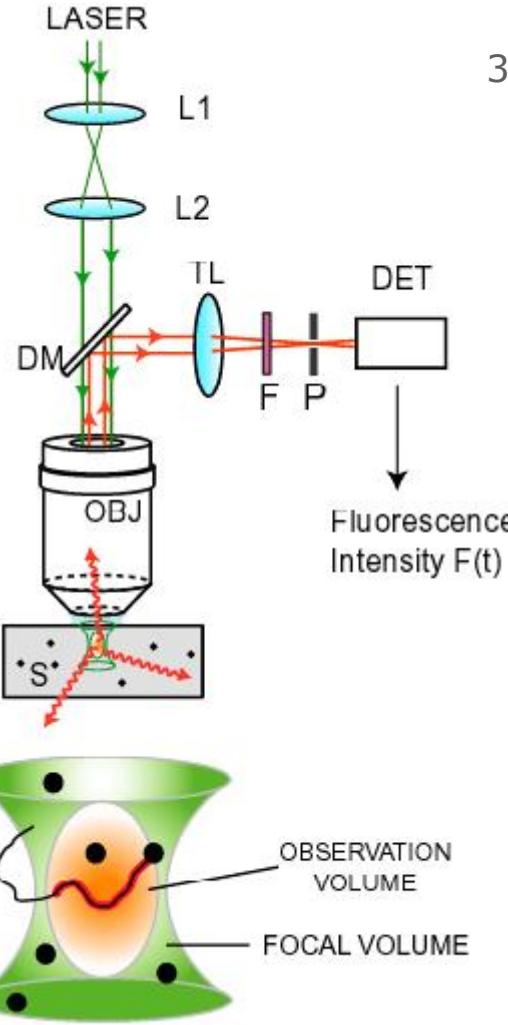




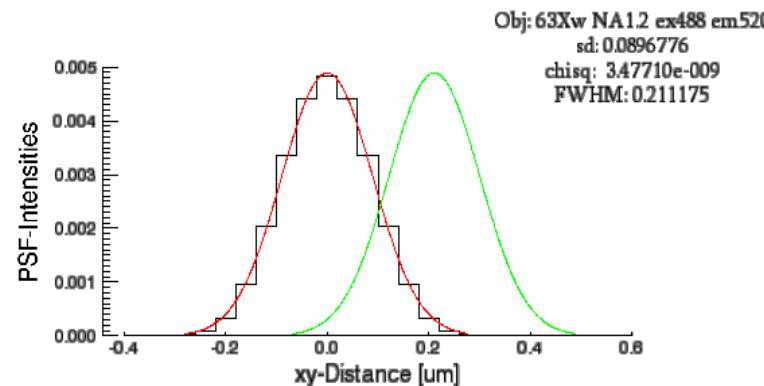
The observation volume (femtoliter) defined by the Point Spread Function must be considered as a minispectrofluorimeter.

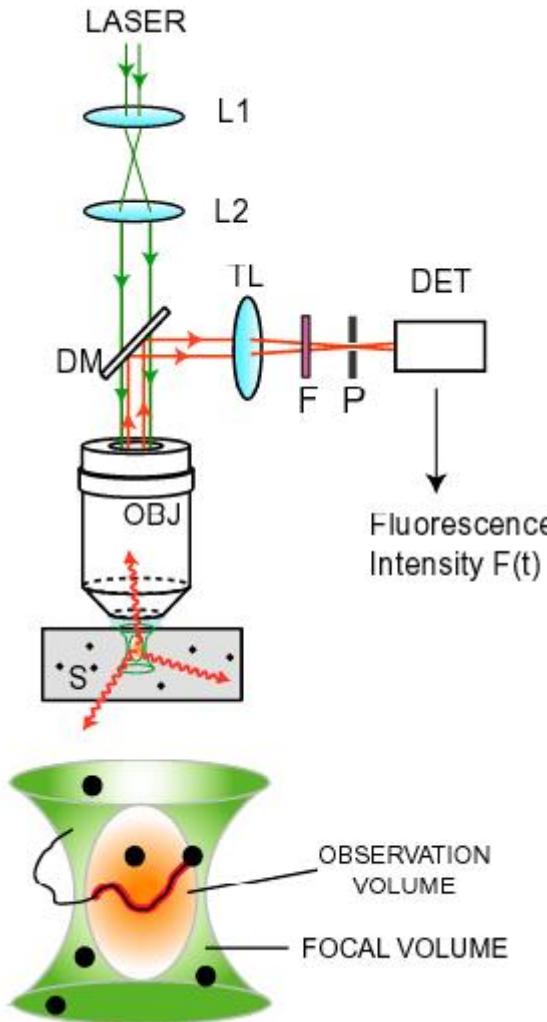
1. You need to consider the Offset $I(0)$ in order to calibrate your signal $I(0) \geq 0$!
2. Never saturate the signal: $I \leq I_{\max}$ (255 for 8 bit) !





3. You need to consider sampling distances in Δx and $\Delta y \approx 50$ nm and $\Delta z \approx 150-300$ nm for later deconvolution, or calculate the explicit sample distances @ <http://support.svi.nl/wiki/NyquistCalculator>



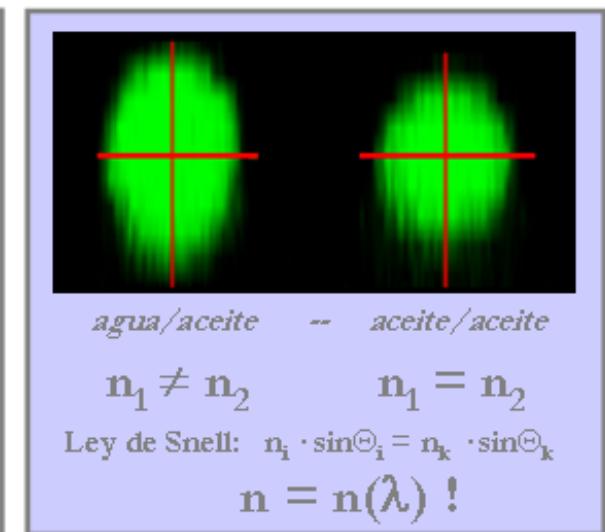
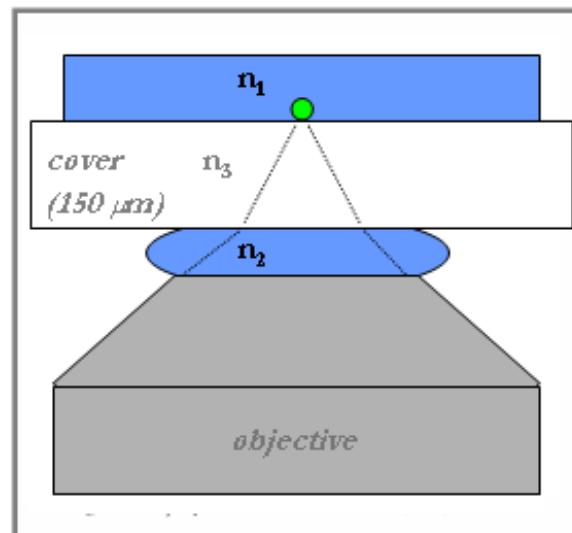


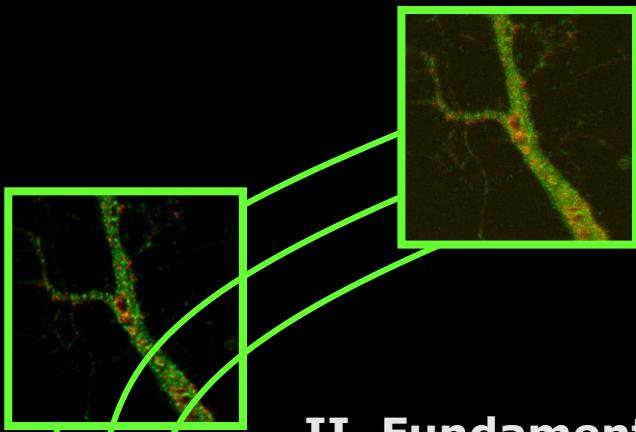
4. Use the right immersion setup !

$$n_1 = n_2 !$$

Keep refractive index / index of refraction constant !

● Micro-esfera: $\varnothing = 6 \mu\text{m}$





I. Image Acquisition

I.a|-> Fundamentos de la microscopía confocal

I.b|-> Fundamentos de la fluorescencia

II. Fundamentos de la Deconvolución

**Para profundizar: ver literatura en la página,
presasos y prácticos !**

