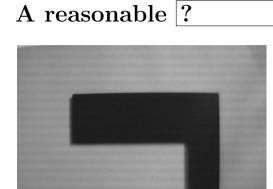
### **Image Capture and Problems**

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#### Image Capture: Focus problems



http://www.cambridgeincolour.com/tutorials/depth-of-field.htm

Focus set to one distance, and other nearby distances in focus (? of focus). Further or closer not so well focused. Compare 'identical' lines.

### Image Capture: Shadow problems

False colour to emphasise the ? location. Often hard to separate from part.

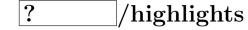
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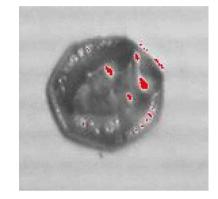
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Pixels clip at 255.

Image Capture:





Saturated pixels set to red.

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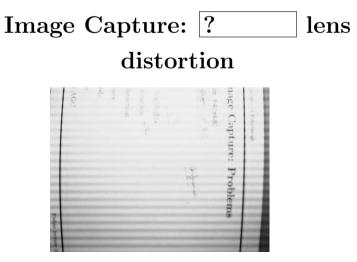
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Image Capture: ? illumination



Contrast on background enhanced: may cause analysis problems.



Note 'straight' lines at image edge. May make accurate measurements hard.

# Image Capture: Overcoming Problems

- Shadows, specularities, non-uniform illumination: increase ambient lighting by using light diffusing panels or lots of point lights
- **Depth of Focus**: use smaller aperture and brighter light
- Motion Blur: use shorter capture time and brighter light
- ? : use smaller aperture, reduce gain and adjust gamma

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- Lens Distortion: more expensive lenses, view from further away
- Aliasing: use incandescent lights

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### Illumination control techniques

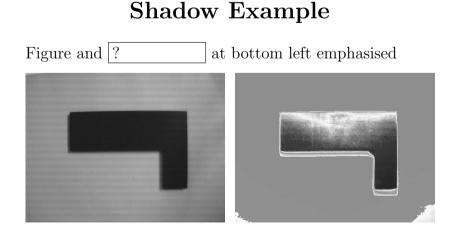
Main cause of problem: ? light sources

Brightness = B / (surface distance from source)<sup>2</sup>

Sharp shadows:

Strong illumination variations



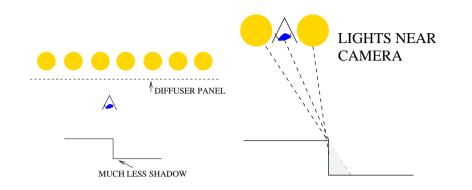


## Lighting control

To reduce complications arising from illumination:

- Increase ambient (all direction) light with light diffuser panels
- Illumination by camera to move shadows to non-visible places





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### Lecture Overview

- A set of typical image capture problems: focus, saturation, specularities, shadows, lens distortion, illumination
- Some approaches to ? the problems