



# LED near-field goniophotometer at PTB

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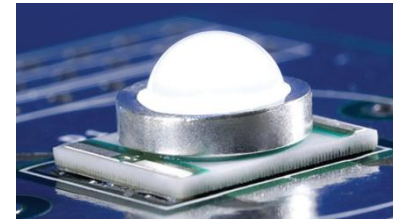
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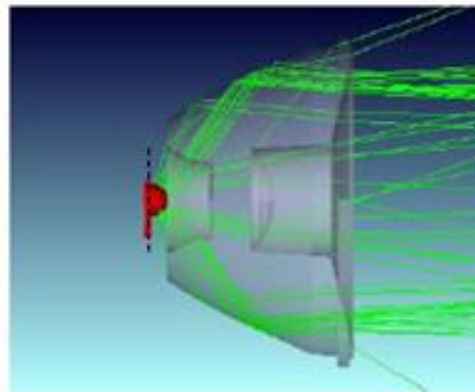


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# • Motivation

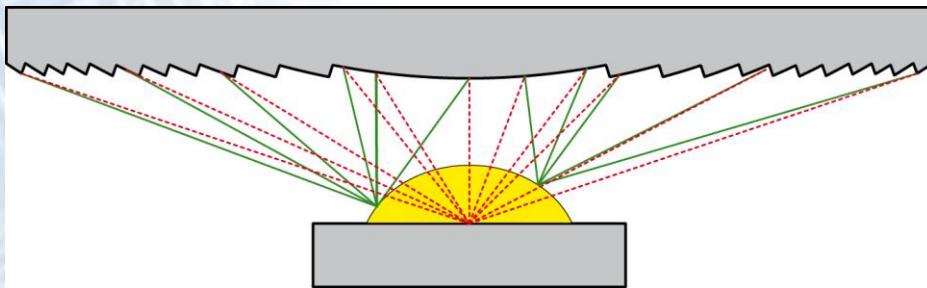


- LEDs are employed today in a great variety of applications:  
⇒ Lighting, Traffic signal, Automotive, Medical lighting, etc.
- The small size of the LEDs allows to design high quality of lighting systems by using optical design software.
- For optical simulations, the complete distribution of the optical radiation of a light source is required (near-field model).
- Traceability of near-field goniophotometric measurements is still missing!!

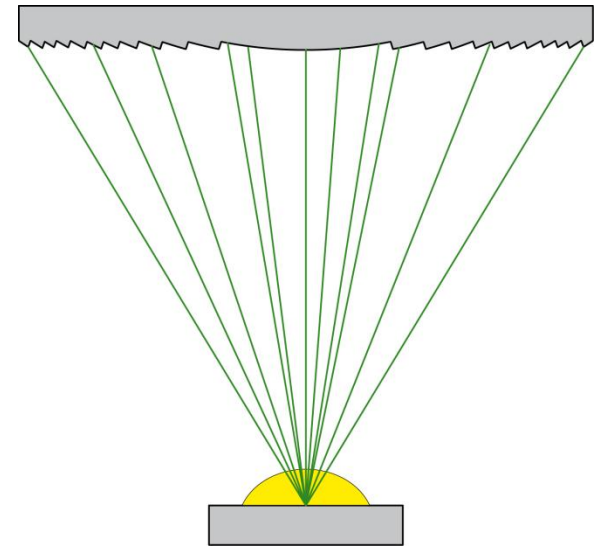


# Comparison of a near- and a far- field distribution

- The abstraction of a light source, e.g. a LED, as a point source causes errors in the simulation by designing optical devices
- These errors are relevant when the optic element is placed near to the LED, e.g.
  - by the design of refractive and diffractive optic elements, fiber optic coupling systems, etc.



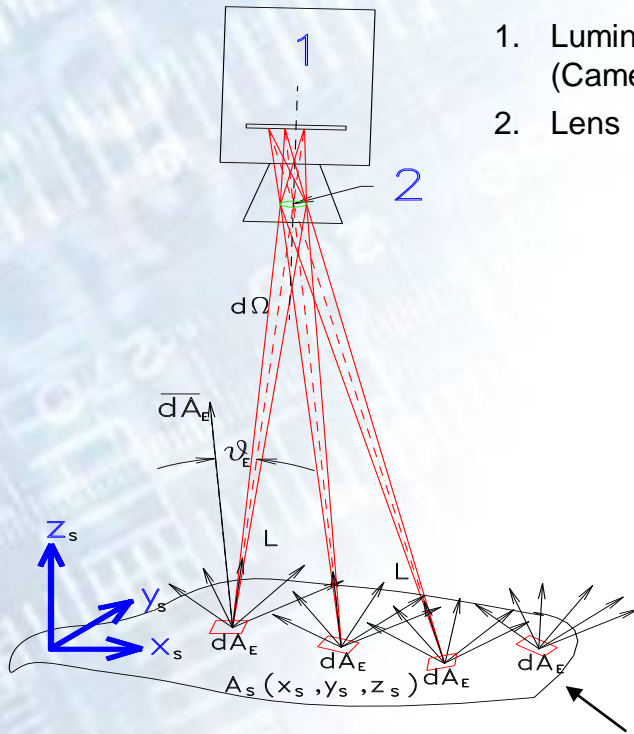
Near field distribution



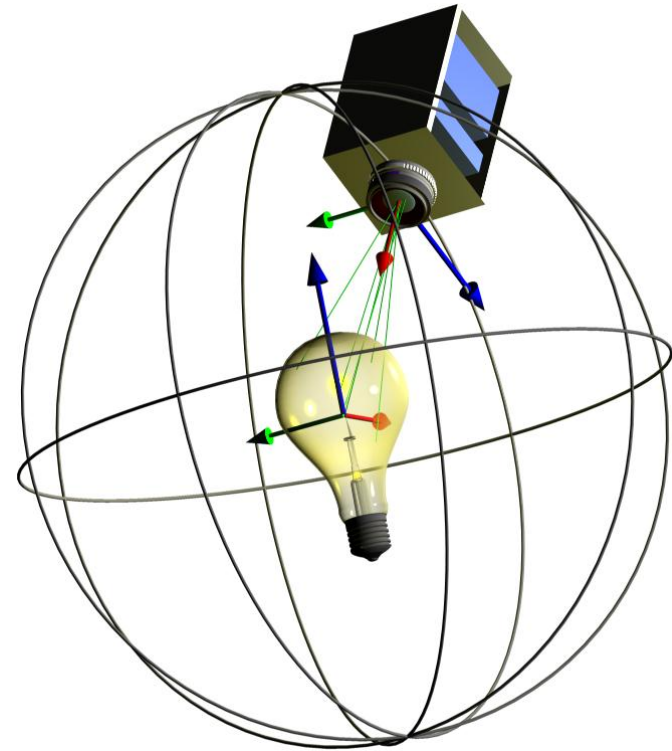
Far field distribution

# • Near-field goniophotometer

1. Luminance Meter (Camera)
2. Lens



Luminance distribution

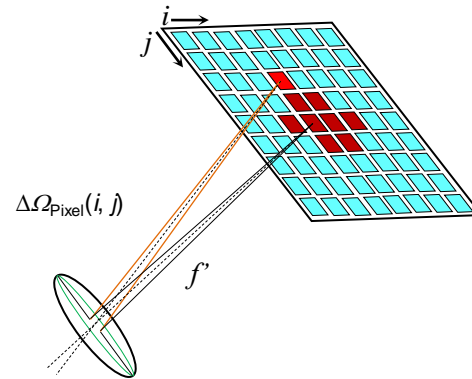
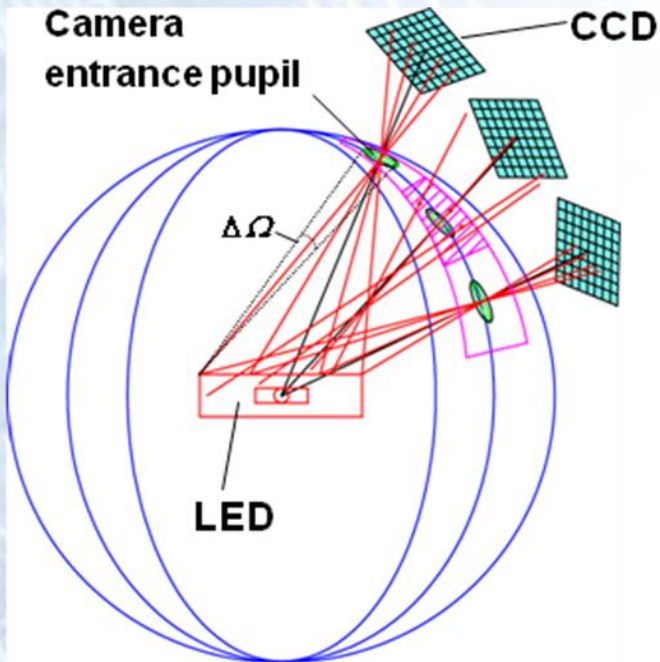


$$L_v(\vartheta_E, \varphi_E) = \frac{d\Phi_v}{dA_E \cdot \cos \vartheta_E \cdot d\Omega(\vartheta_E, \varphi_E)} \quad [\text{cd/m}^2]$$

**A near-field goniophotometer measures the luminance distribution of a light source from all light-emitting directions by using a luminance camera.**



# Principle of a near-field goniophotometric measurement

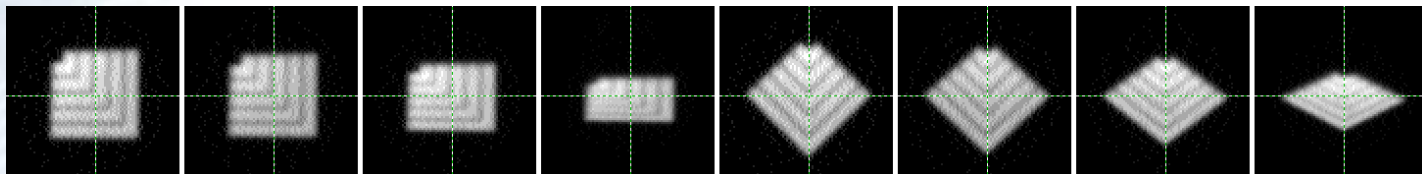


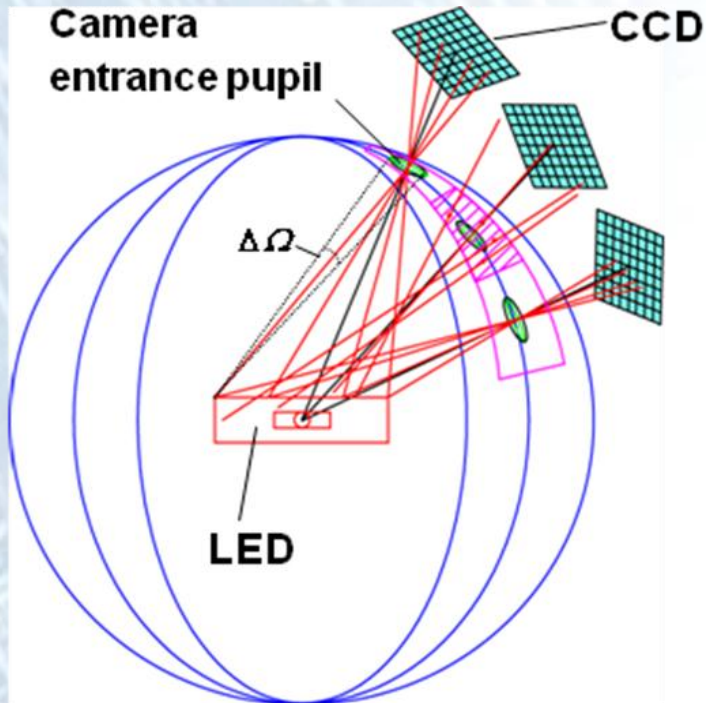
- A luminance measuring camera (CCD) is moved around the measuring object carrying out several luminance images

$$L_i(x_D, y_D, z_D, \vartheta_C, \varphi_C)$$

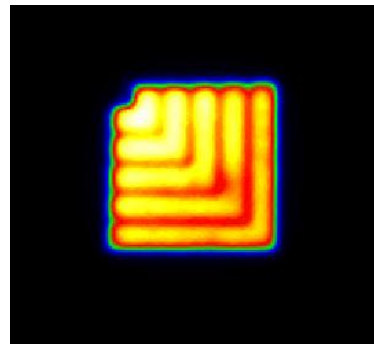
- Pixels of the CCD sensor can be regarded as small single sensors
- Area of each pixel represents a very small solid angle  $\Delta\Omega(i, j)$
- Luminous flux captured by a pixel can be calculated as:

$$\Delta\Phi_{ij}(x, y, z, \vartheta, \varphi) = L(x, y, z, \vartheta, \varphi) \cdot \Delta\Omega_j(\vartheta, \varphi) \cdot \cos \vartheta \cdot \Delta A_i(x, y, z)$$





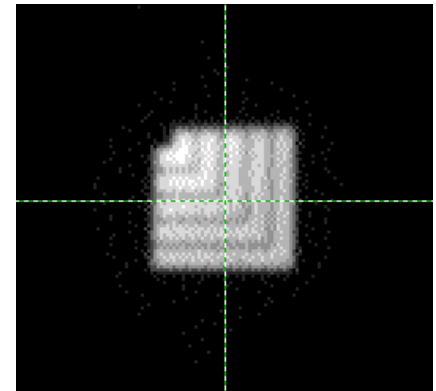
Luminance image



Luminance values to  
luminous flux portions

$$\Delta\Phi(i, j) = L(i, j) \cdot c \cdot \Delta\Omega(i, j)$$

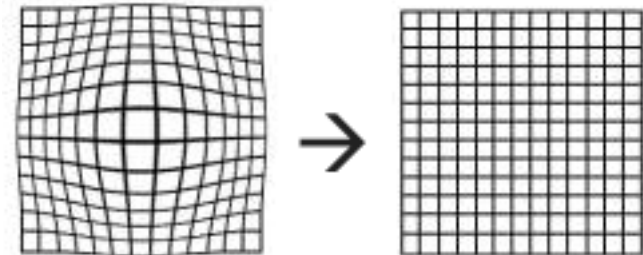
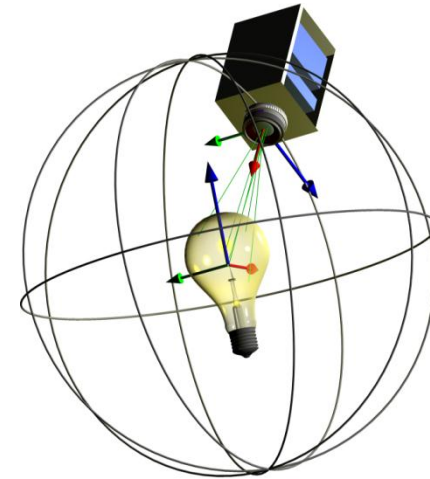
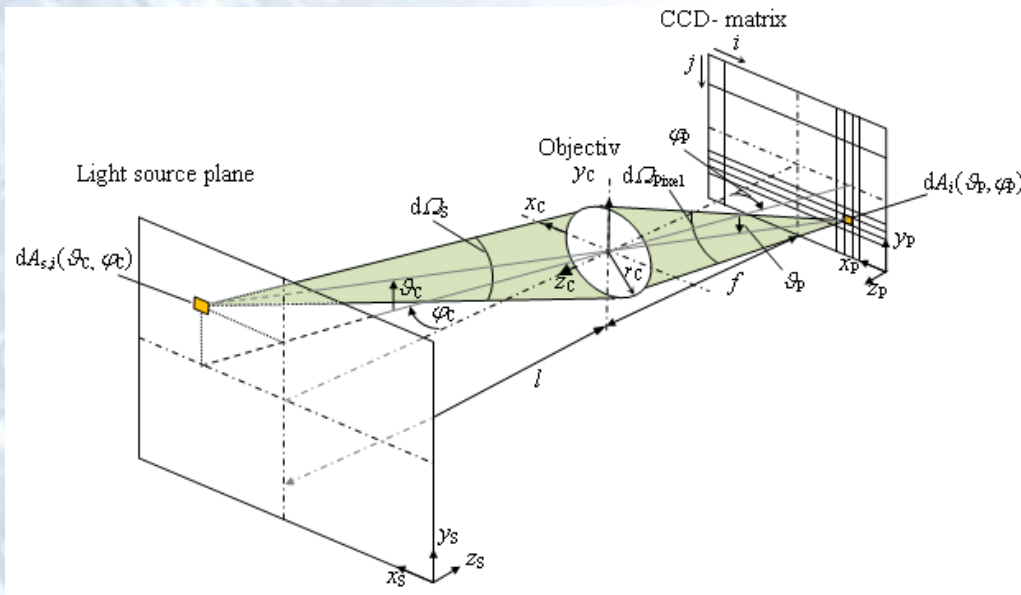
Extracted rays (23000  
rays per image)



- Multiplication of each luminance pixel with its corresponding solid angle
- Extraction of rays (compression to approx. 23000 per image)

# Calculation of “ray data”

- With the exact knowledge of the optical imaging system (lens) the “direction of light” from each pixel can be calculated.



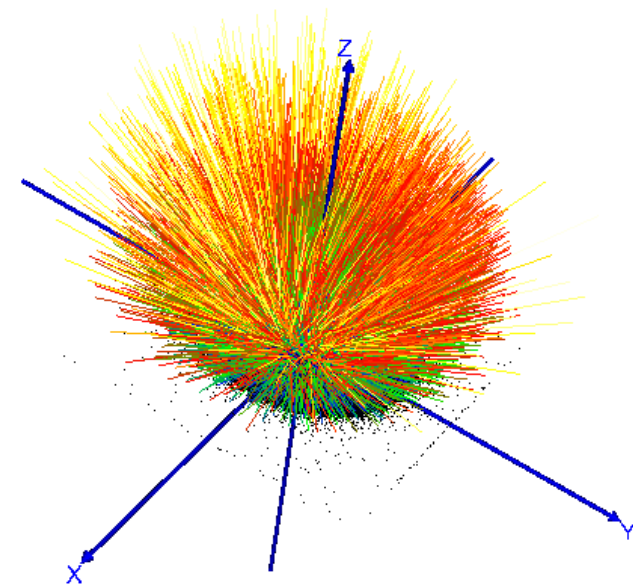
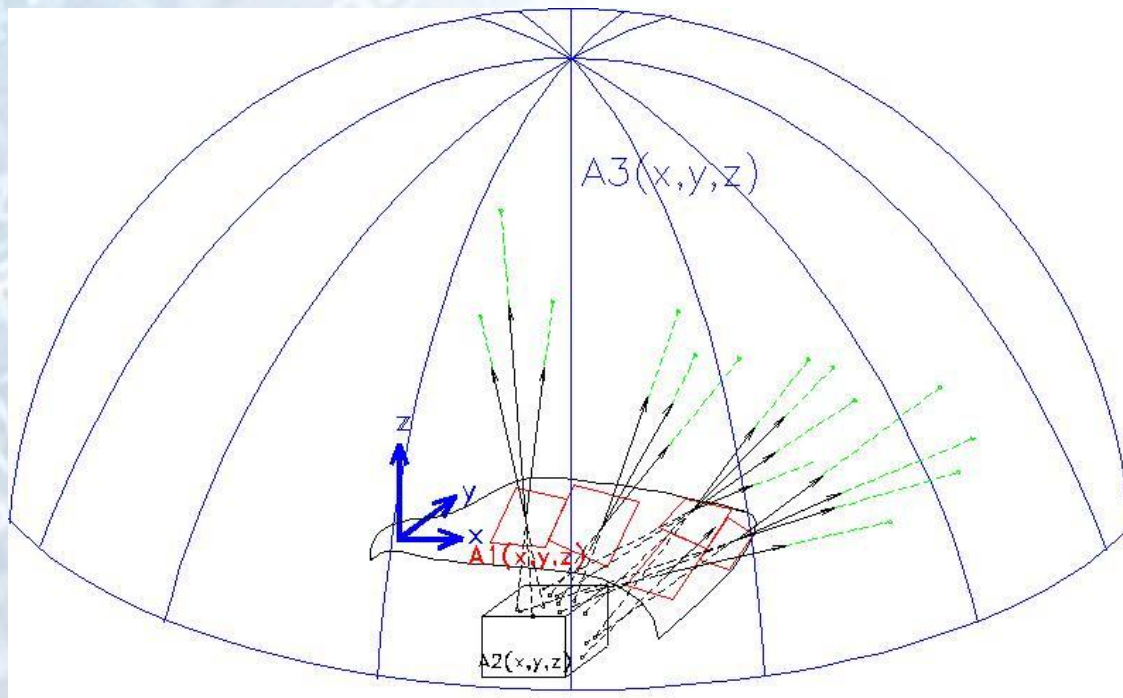
**Objective distortion must be corrected!**

$$\vartheta_C(i, j) = \arctan\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{f'}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{\sqrt{(i \cdot \Delta x_{\text{Pixel}})^2 + (j \cdot \Delta y_{\text{Pixel}})^2}}{F}\right)$$

$$\varphi_C(i, j) = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{j \cdot \Delta y_{\text{Pixel}}}{i \cdot \Delta x_{\text{Pixel}}}\right)$$



Forward tracing of vectors calculated at the addendum envelopes A1 to A3 (green dashed) or back tracing at the real surface A2 (black dashed)



# Luminous intensity and luminous flux obtained from the luminance measurement

Luminous intensity distributions:

$$I(\vartheta_S, \varphi_S) = \int_A L(x_S, y_S, z_S, \vartheta_S, \varphi_S) dA_P$$

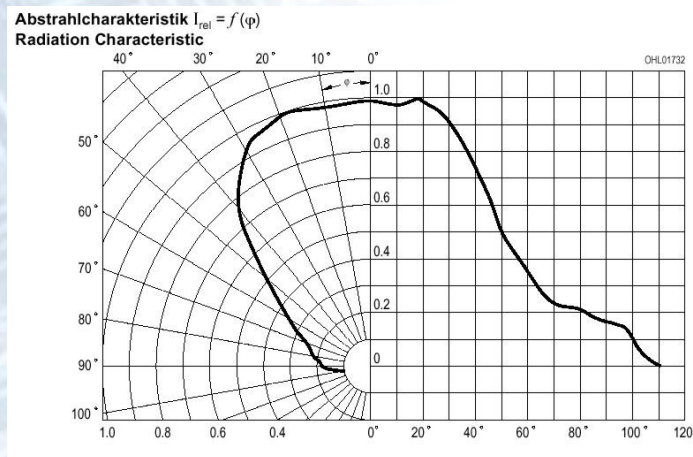
$$I(\vartheta_k, \varphi_l) = \frac{\sum_{x,y,z} \Delta\Phi(x_S, y_S, z_S, \vartheta_S, \varphi_S)}{\Delta\Omega(\vartheta_k, \varphi_l)} \quad \forall \vartheta_S, \varphi_S \in \Delta\Omega(\vartheta_k, \varphi_l)$$

Total luminous flux:

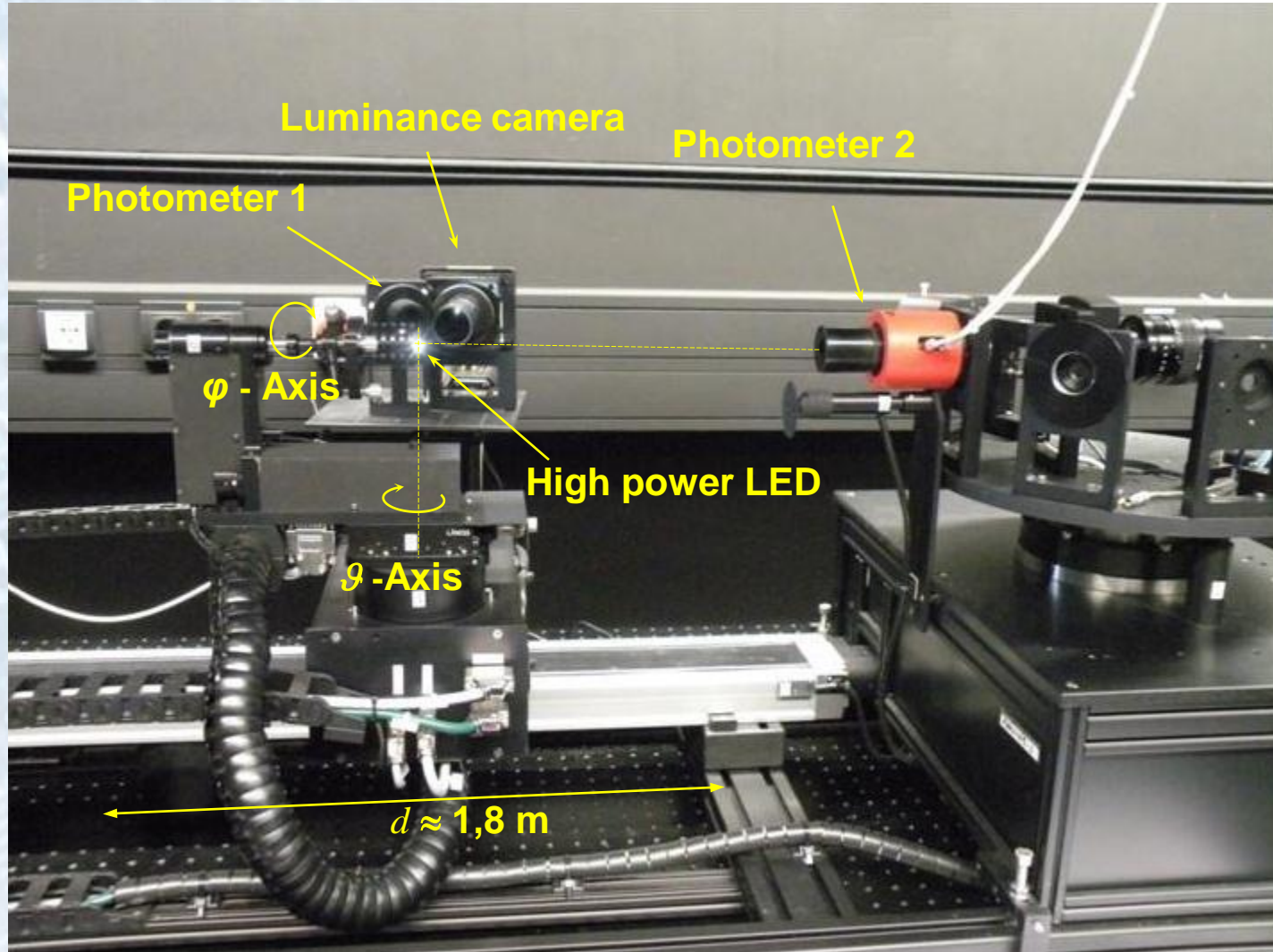
$$\Phi = \iint_{A, \Omega} L(x, y, z, \vartheta, \varphi) \cdot dA \cdot \cos \vartheta \cdot d\Omega$$

$$\Phi = \sum_{x_S, y_S, z_S} \sum_{\vartheta_S, \varphi_S} \Delta\Phi(x_S, y_S, z_S, \vartheta_S, \varphi_S)$$

All rays going in one direction (solid angle) are summed up (discrete notation).



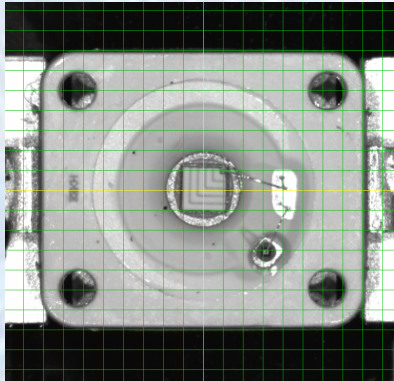
# LED Far- and near- field goniophotometer at PTB



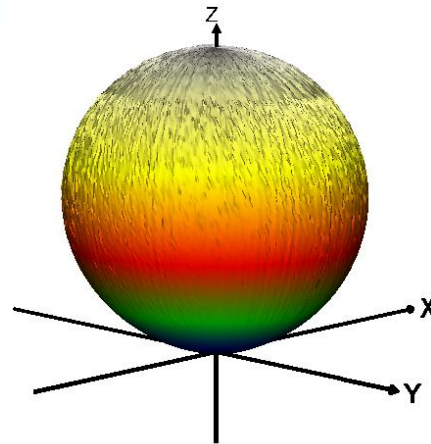


# • Luminous intensity distribution from „Ray-Data“

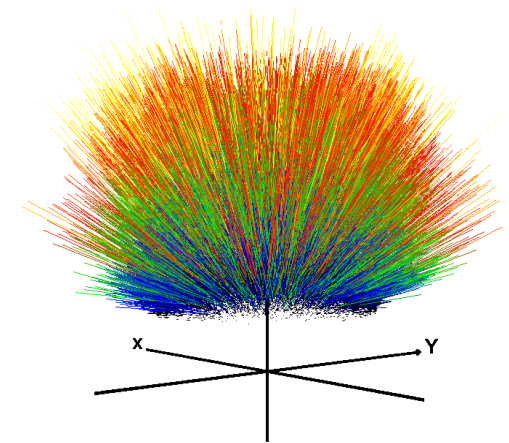
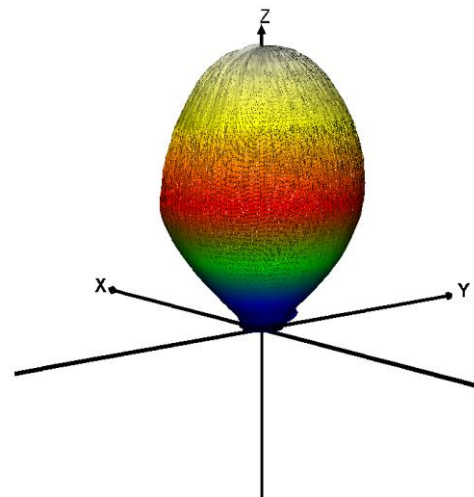
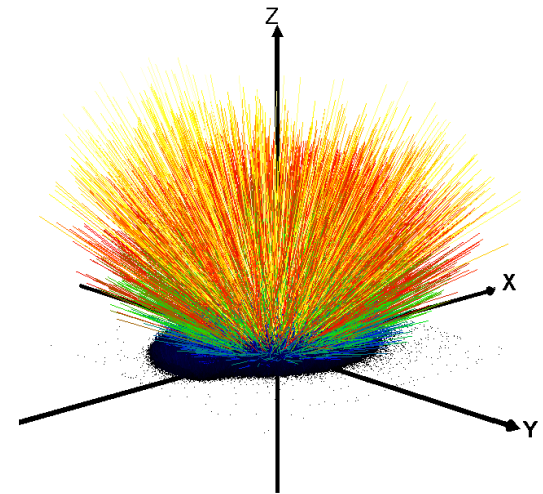
Camera picture



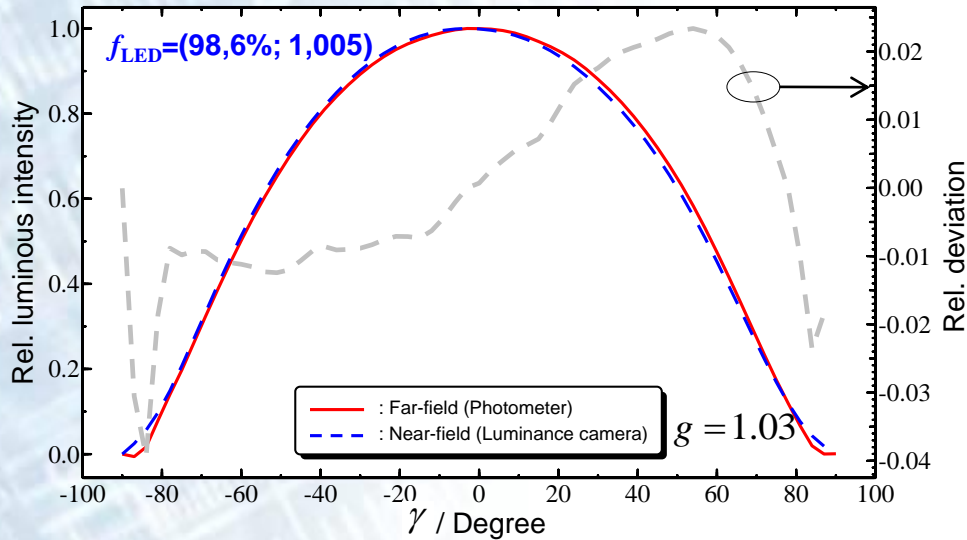
Luminous intensity distribution



Rays distribution representation



# Comparison of luminous intensity distributions (Far- and Near- field) PTB



\*) *Quality indices:*

$$f_{LED} = (f_{distribution,fit}; f_{flux,fit}) \xrightarrow{\text{Identical distributions}} (100\%; 1)$$

$$f_{distribution,fit} = 100 \cdot \left( 1 - \frac{\sum_{C=0^\circ}^{360^\circ} \sum_{\gamma=0^\circ}^{180^\circ} (I_1(C, \gamma) - I_2(C, \gamma))^2}{\sum_{C=0^\circ}^{360^\circ} \sum_{\gamma=0^\circ}^{180^\circ} (I_1(C, \gamma) + I_2(C, \gamma))^2} \right)$$

$$f_{flux,fit} = \frac{\Phi_{V,1}}{\Phi_{V,2}}$$

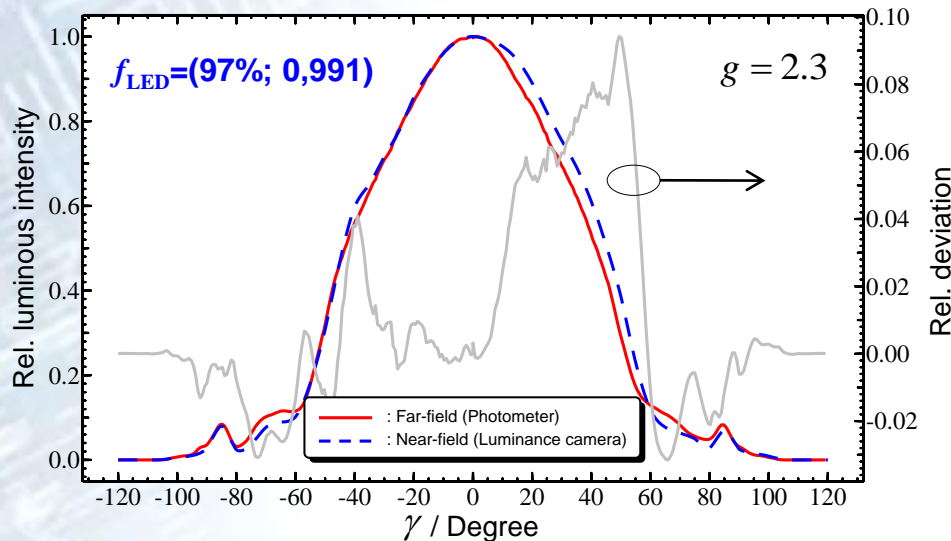
$I_1(C, \gamma), I_2(C, \gamma)$ : Luminous intensity distribution 1 and 2 at angle  $(C, \gamma)$ .

$\Phi_{V,1}, \Phi_{V,2}$ : Luminous flux calculated from distribution 1 and 2.

Lambertian emitter:

$$I_V(\vartheta) = I_0 \cdot \cos^g(\vartheta)$$

\*) Bergen, A.S.J., "A practical method of comparing luminous intensity distributions", CIE 27<sup>th</sup> Session, Sun City South Africa,





## Summary:

- The near-field goniophotometer setup established at PTB to measure LEDs under near-field conditions has been presented.
- The values of the luminous intensity distribution of two LEDs obtained by near-field measurements were compared to goniophotometric measurements carried out separately under far-field conditions using a photometer. The maximal average deviation obtained is  $\leq 4\%$ .

## Future works:

- Evaluation of the measurement uncertainty (Model).
- Development of transfer standards for near-field measurements.
- Ray-data depending on the wavelength.
- Comparing ray-data?

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attention**

Traceability of the Luminance

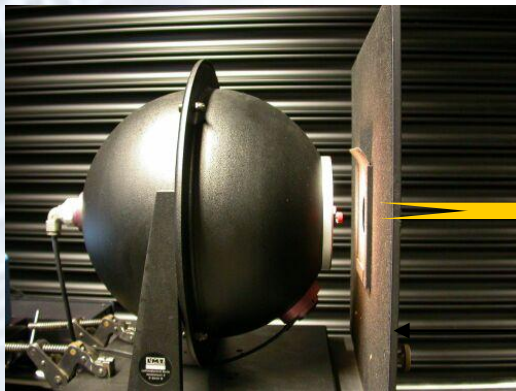
a) by means of the luminous intensity and a reference aperture  $A_1$



$$L_m = \frac{I_v}{A_1}$$

Average luminance on the aperture area

Unit:  $\text{cd}/\text{m}^2$



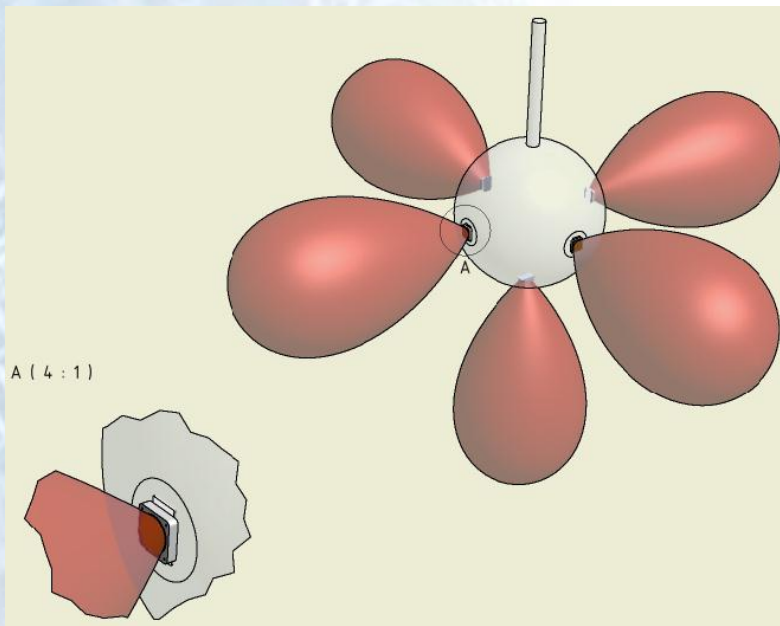
$$I_{v,i}(T_{v,i}) = \frac{d^2}{\Omega_0} \cdot \frac{y_i}{s_{v,N}} \cdot F(T)$$

$y_i$

$d$



- Transfer standard for the luminous intensity distribution



- Transfer standard for the starting position of the ray data

