

# Information Processing Theory in Measurement

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Providing thinking tools for design and evaluation of measurement systems

# Essence of the problems

## Primitive model of measurement

$Q$  : Quantity you want to know

$V$  : A sensor output reflecting  $Q$  as  $V = f(Q)$

Estimate  $Q = f^{-1}(V)$

## Actual measurement

$V$  also depends on other quantities other than  $Q$ ,  
and affected by noise.

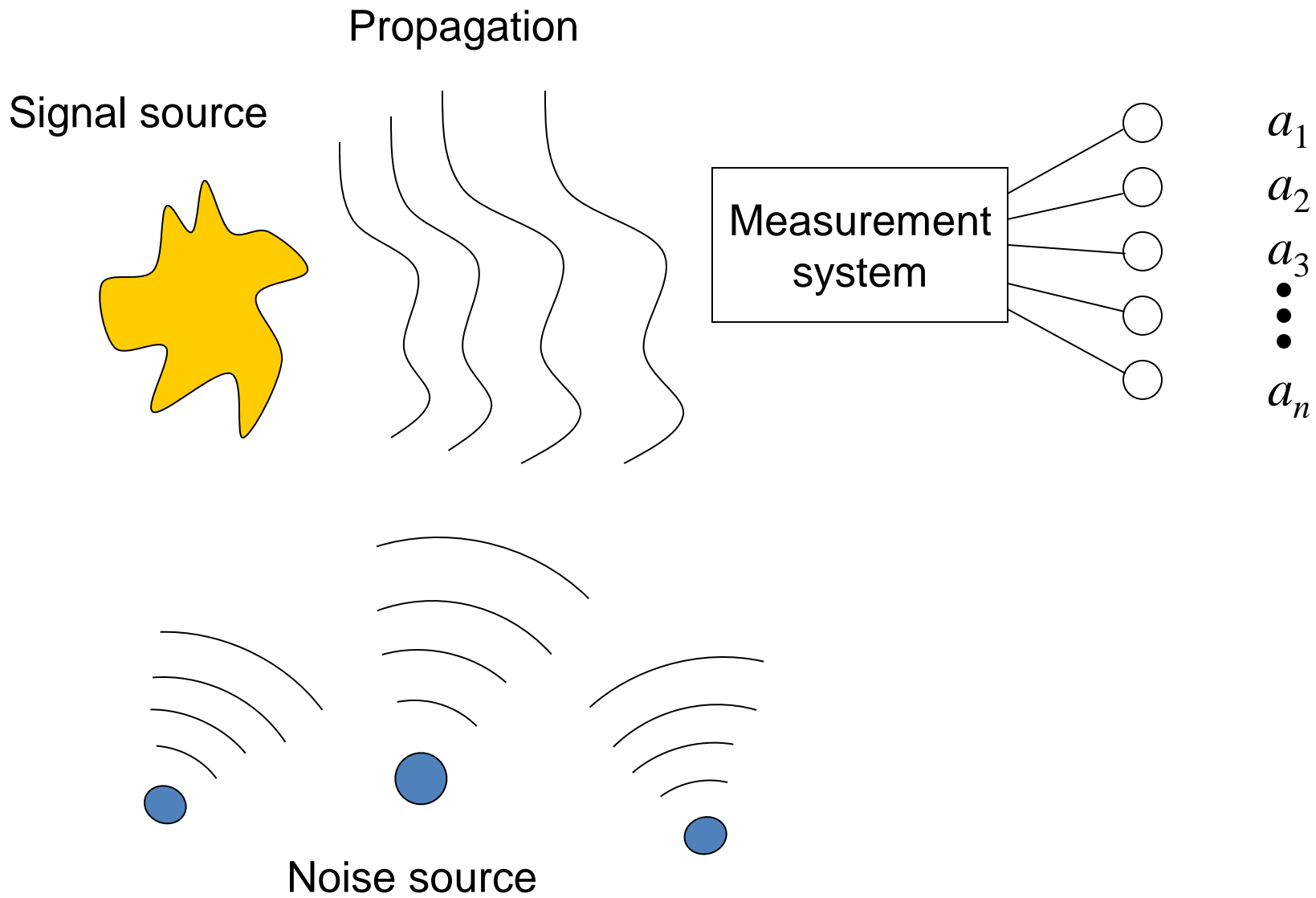
The problem addressed in this lecture

Estimating  $Q$  from a measured value vector

$$\mathbf{V} = (V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n)$$

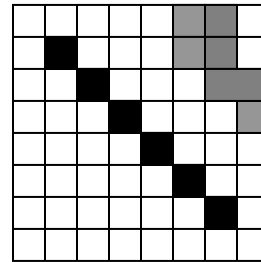
What is the best estimation under noise?

What is the best design of the measurement system to minimize the estimation error?



# Patterns

1 ) Spatial pattern

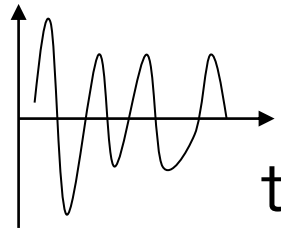


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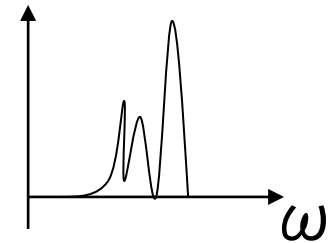
Photo --- 2D

Video --- 3D

2 ) Temporal pattern



Time



Frequency

3 ) Physical parameter pattern

Optical spectrum, force vector,...

4 ) Pattern of patterns

# Examples of pattern measurement

## 1 ) Taking a photo

- What determines the resolution limit?
- Noise reduction limit by signal processing
- Finding a specific person

## 2 ) Wi-Fi communication

- Method to find the signal sent to you when many people communicate simultaneously.  
→ What is the difference between measurement and communication?

## 3 ) Others

- Is it possible to record only the voice of a specific person?
- Precision of sound localization

## Examples of pattern measurement

- Precision of GPS
- Sensors in cars, rooms, and everything.



# Today's lecture ~ Overview of problem

(1) Breakthroughs of pattern measurements

(2) New problems in IoT

## The goal of the class

- Evaluation of precision in pattern measurement
- Design of measurement system
- Understanding information in pattern

# (1) Breakthroughs of pattern measurements in 20<sup>th</sup> century

- Point measurement to pattern measurement
- Information by pattern
- Learn the common expression in various kinds of pattern measurement

- 1 . Scanning  
    Conversion from space to time
- 2 . Array device  
    Measuring 2D pattern  
    Device fabrication by lithography
- 3 . Aperture synthesis  
    Generalization of lens
- 4 . C T (Computed Tomography)  
    --- Solving an inverse problem
- 5 . Separation of signals by spatial modulation  
    --- MRI, Structured light

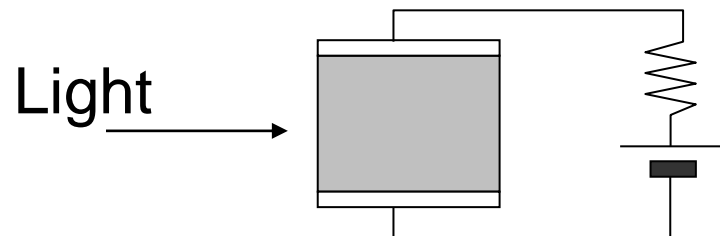
# 1. Scanning: the first step of pattern measurement

Example: Measuring 2D light and dark pattern

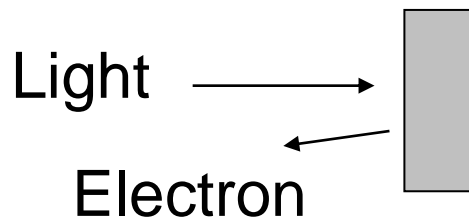
## Beginning

- Discovery of material whose carrier number changes by light

Si, Se, CdS, CsSe, . . .

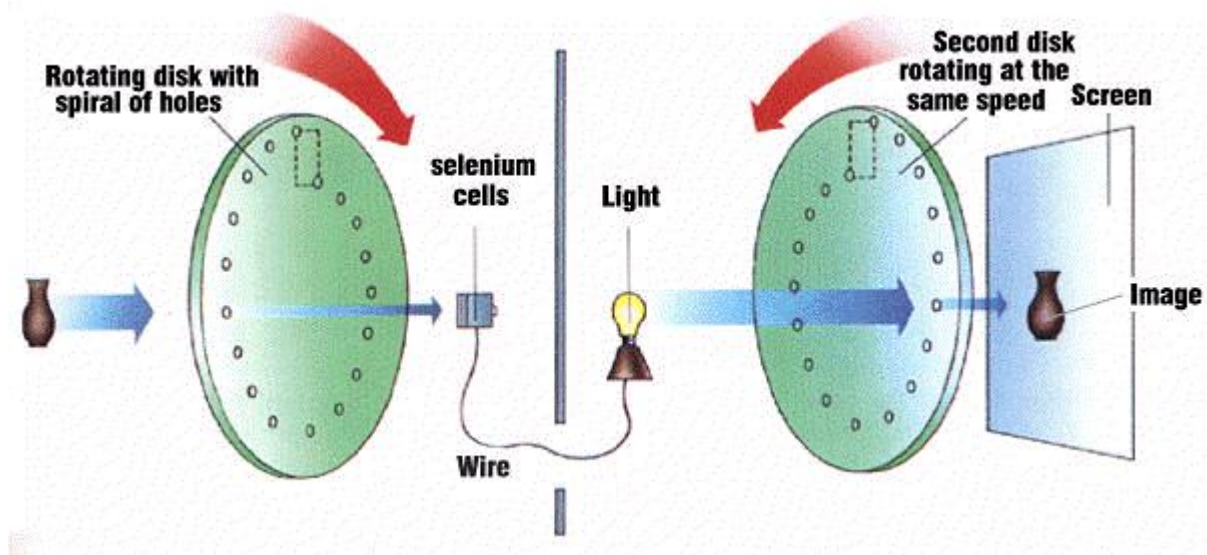


- Photoelectric effect



# Mechanical TV

Paul Nipkow 1884



<http://www.databahn.net/library/inet/history/tv/>

# Scanning with an electron gun

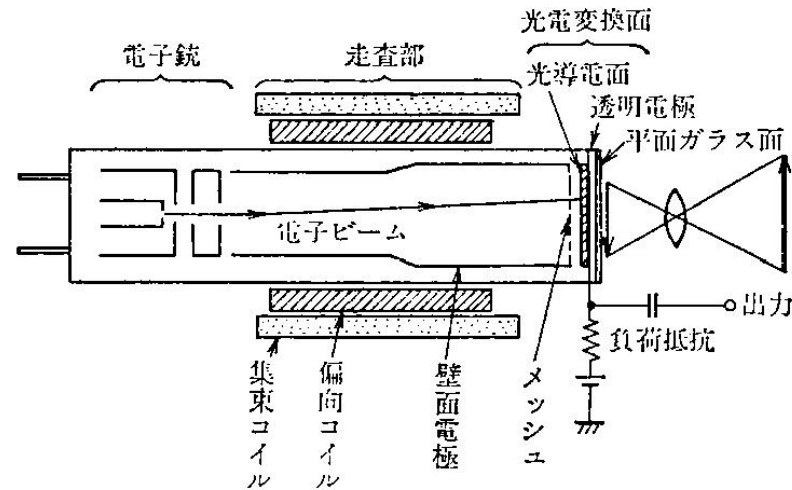
Iconoscope

Vladimir Zworykin 1929



Vidicon tube 1950 ~

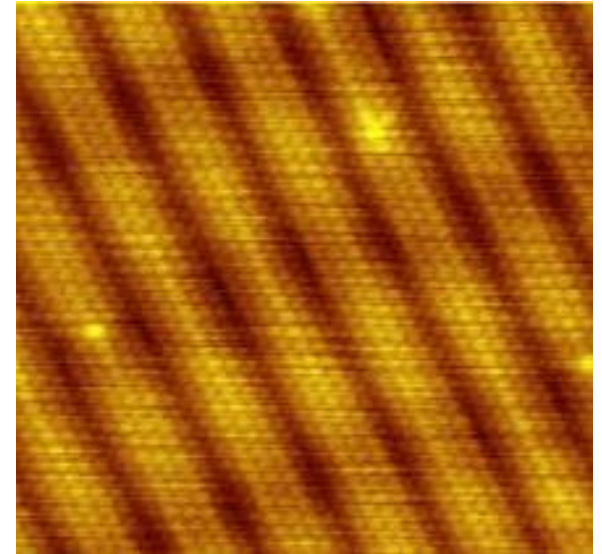
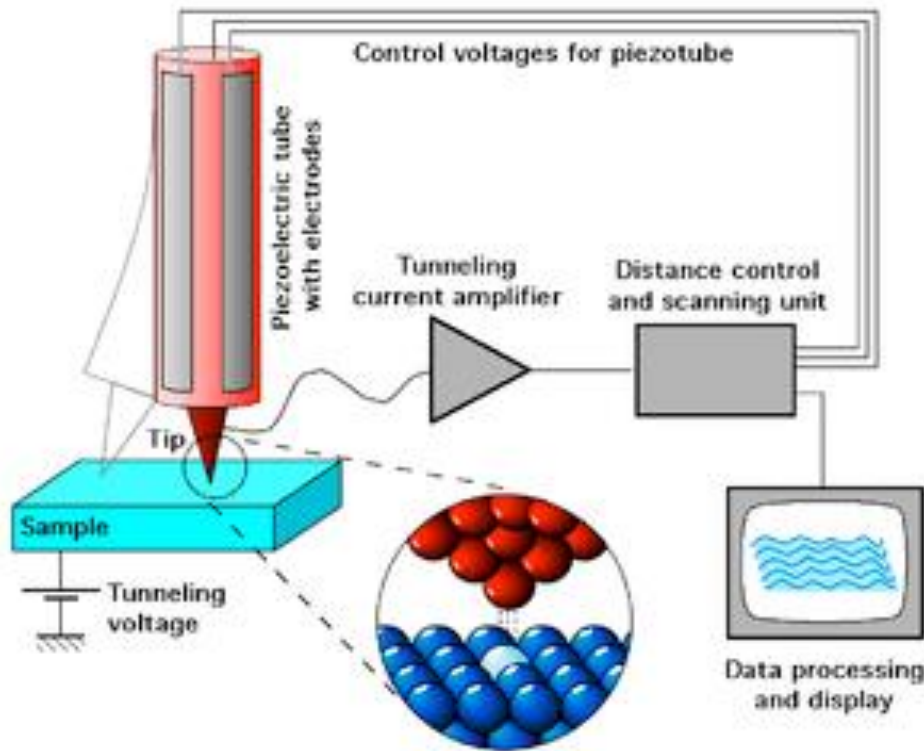
Use of photoconductive effect



Drawing with electron gun

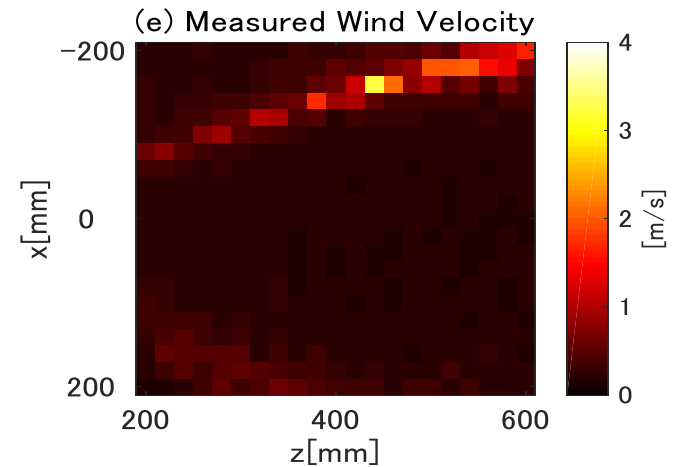
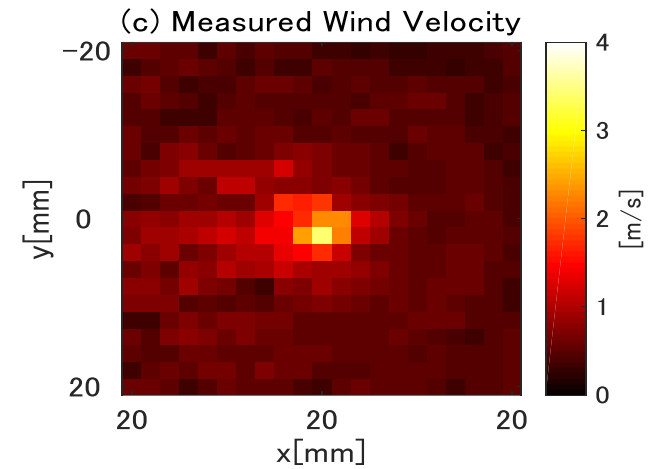
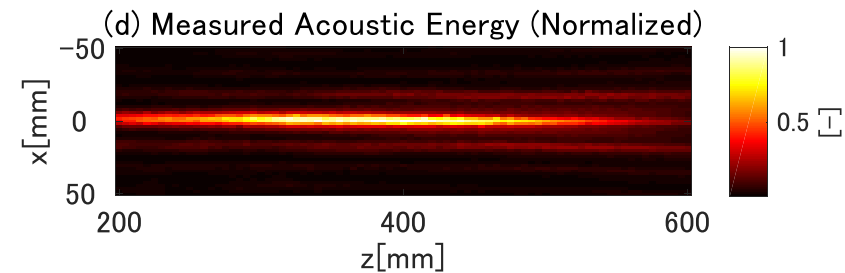
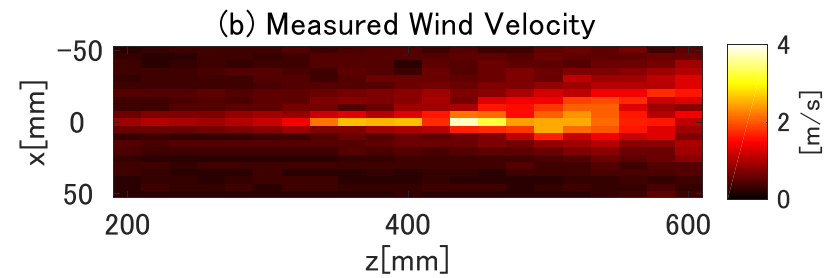
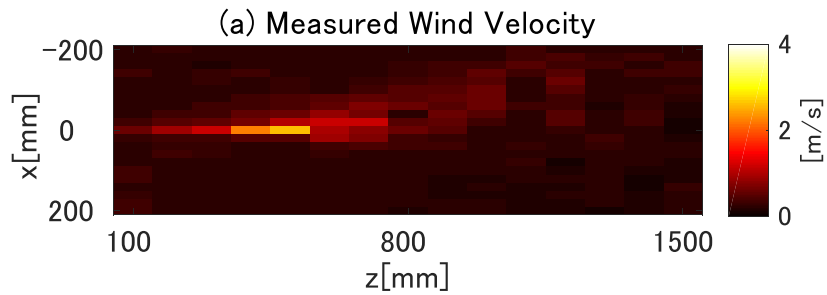
- CRT (cathode ray tube) for oscilloscope, Karl Braun 1897
- Displaying “イ” on a CRT Kenjiro Takayanagi 1926~27

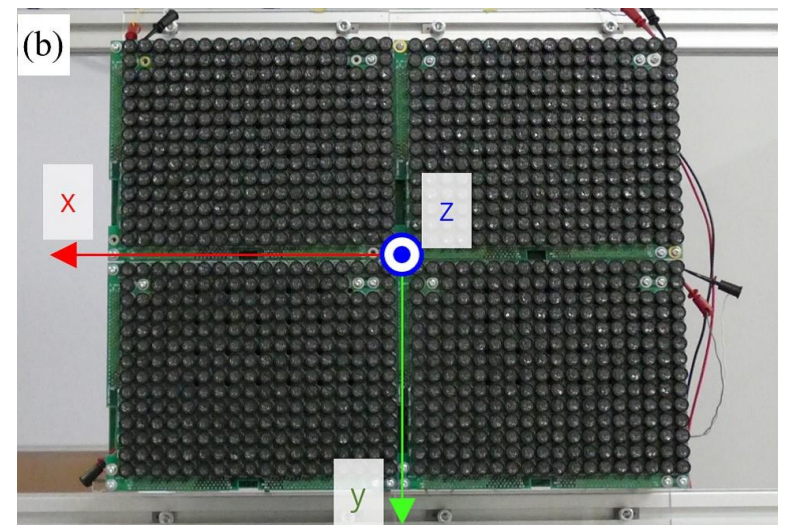
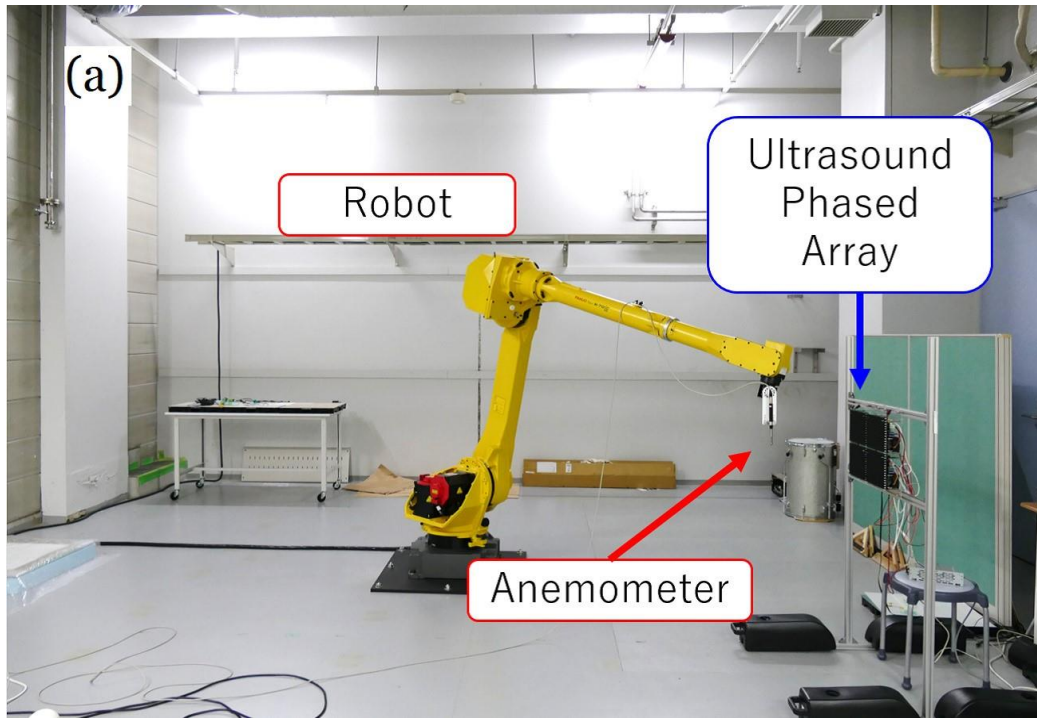
# STM (Scanning Tunneling Microscope)



From Wikipedia

# 3D distribution of air stream velocity produced by ultrasound

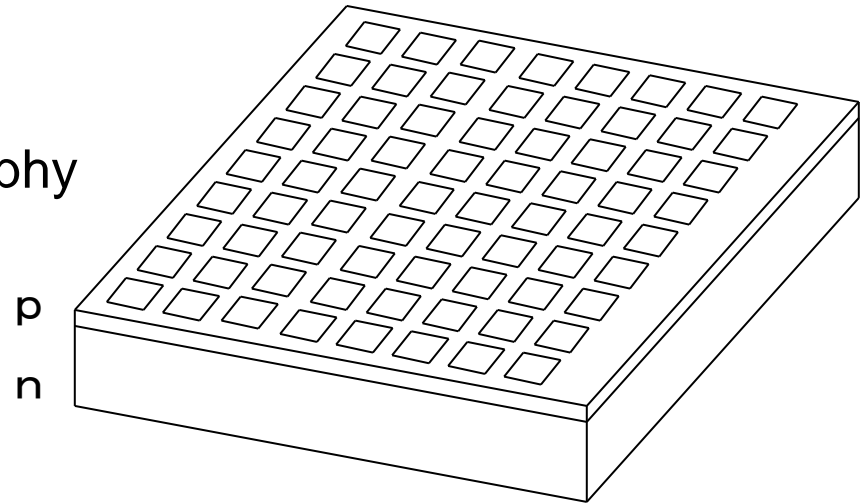




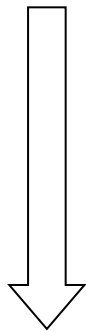


## 2. Array sensor

Integrated circuit by Photolithography



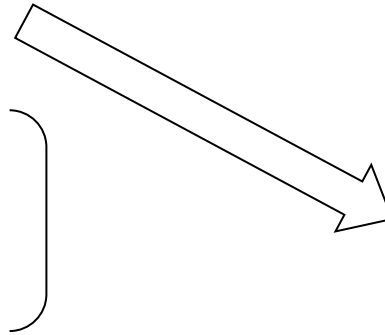
MOS Image Sensor



Problem: Thermal noise

Thermal noise by wire

$$\frac{Q^2}{2C} = \frac{kT}{2}$$



**CCD**

1970 Boyle & Smith

(Bell Laboratories)

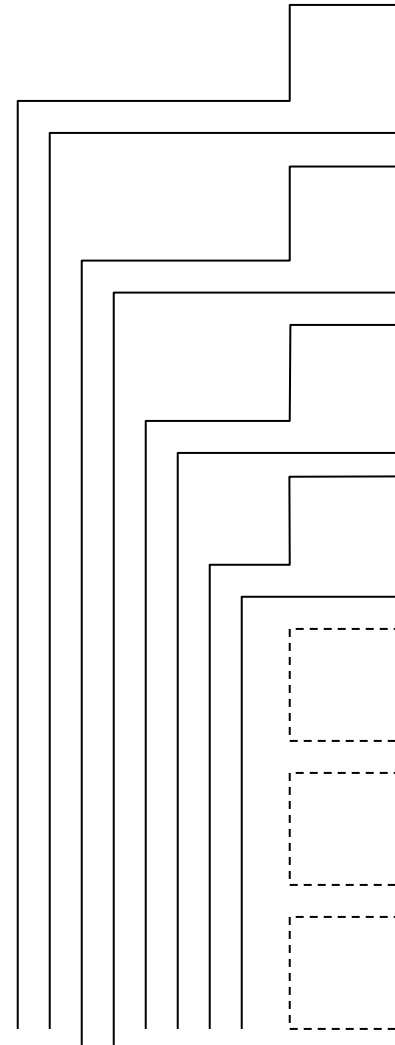
CMOS Image sensor

(Each pixel has an amplifier)

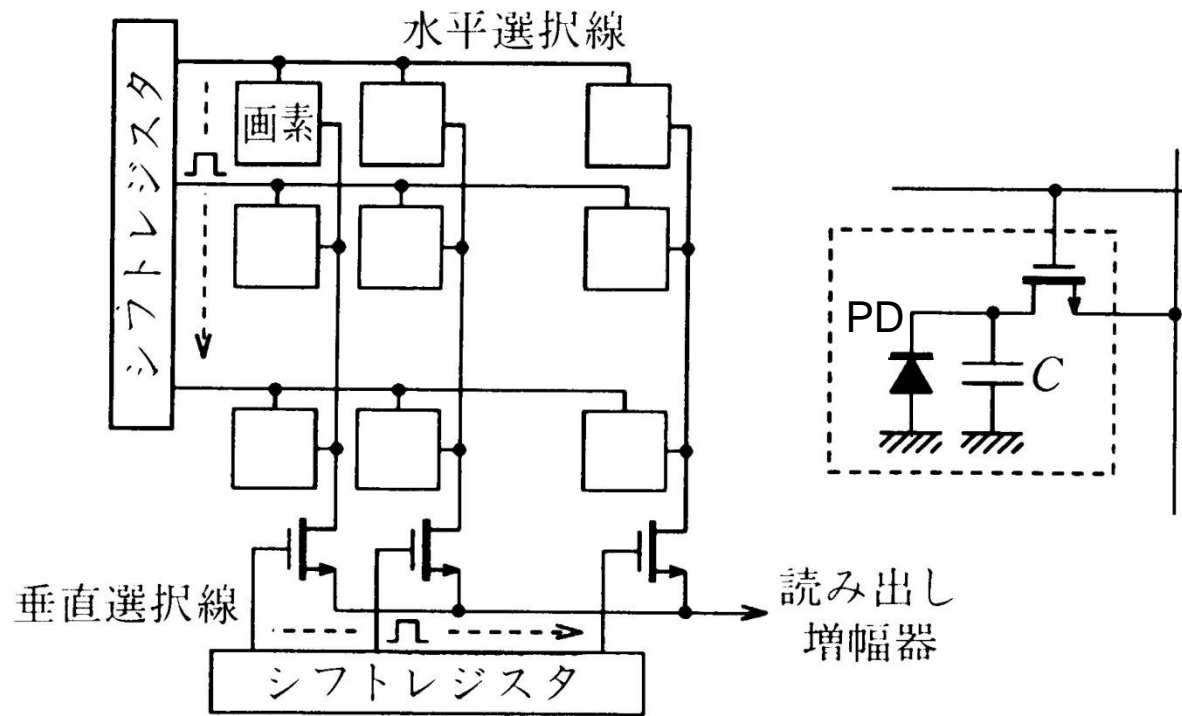
## 2. Array sensor

Wiring is a problem.

Wiring needs space!

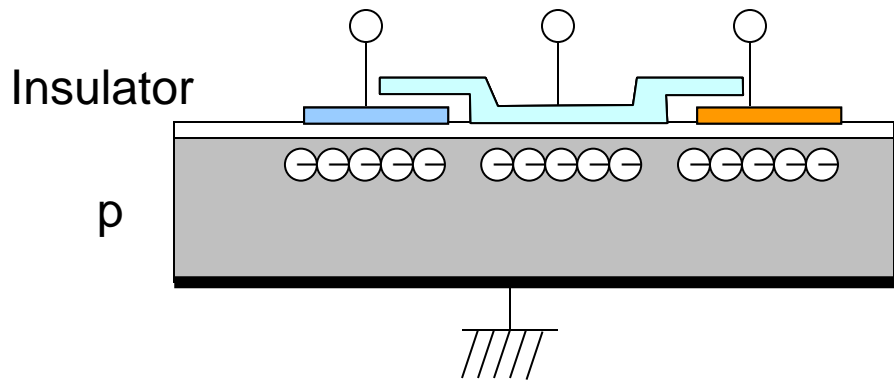


# MOS Image sensor



(a) MOS型撮像素子の構造

# CCD --- Excluding wires



Principle

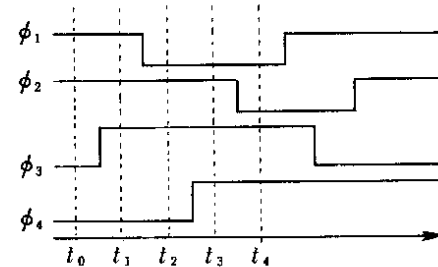
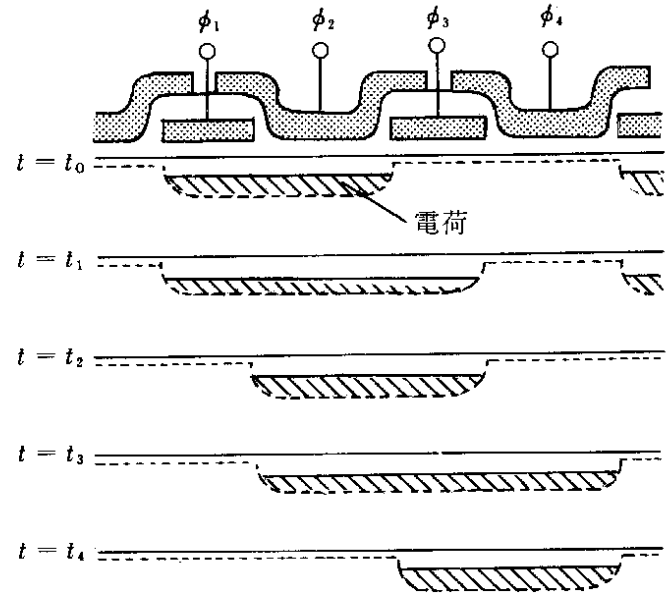
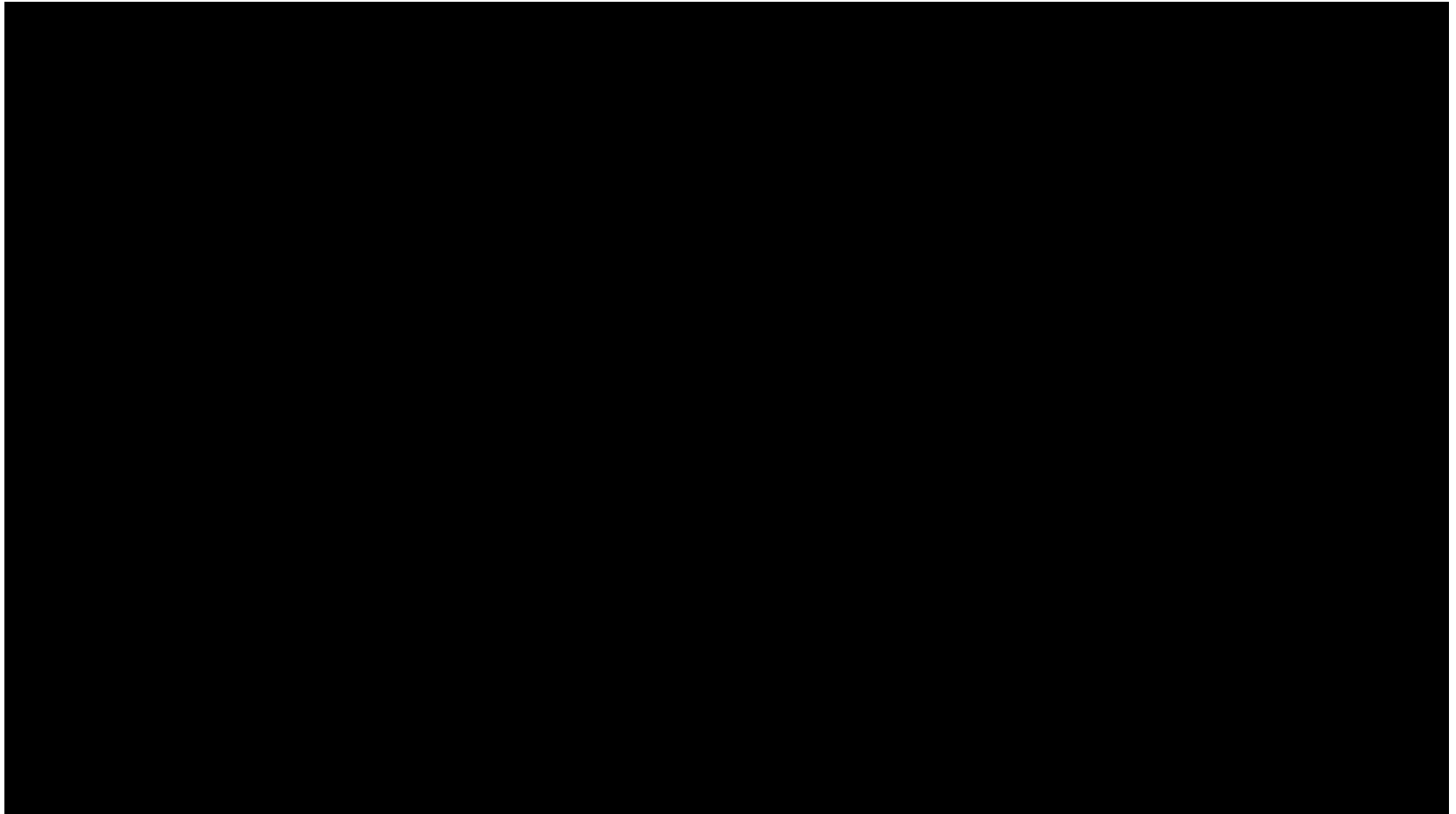


図2 CCDの電荷転送機能



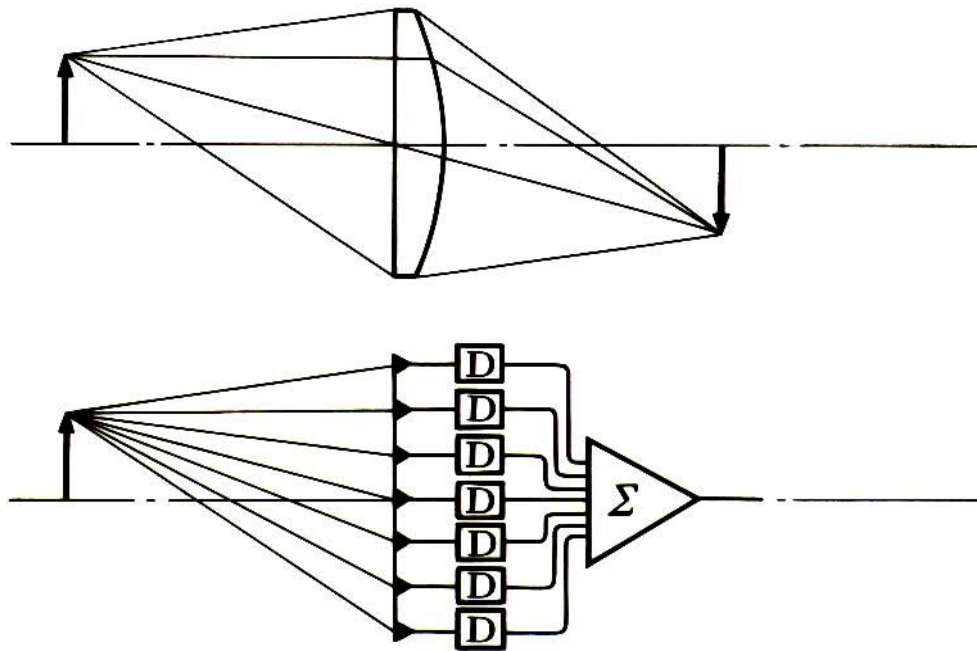
Energy of a single photon

$$\lambda = 500 \text{ nm (green light): } hf = h \frac{c}{\lambda} = 3.97 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

- What is the difference between scanning and array sensing in the measurement quality?

### 3 . Expansion of array sensing

Synthetic aperture (Imaging without lens)



If you can measure the distribution of both the intensity and the phase on a plane, you don't need a lens.

# Synthetic Aperture Imaging using ultrasonic phased array

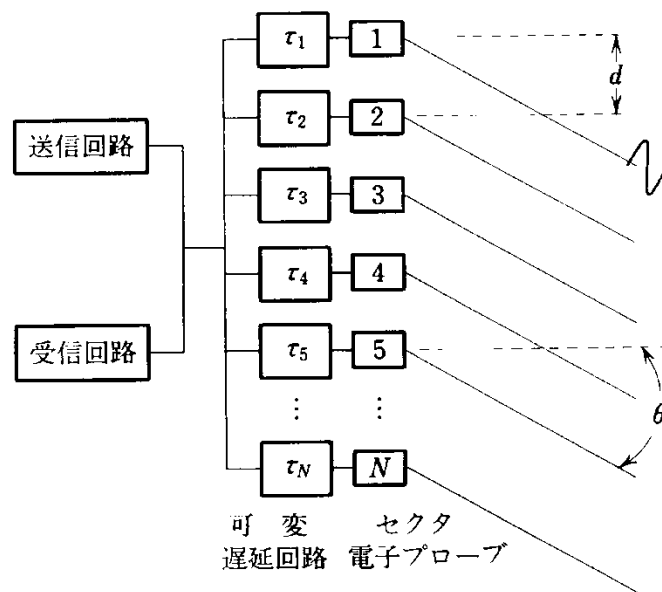
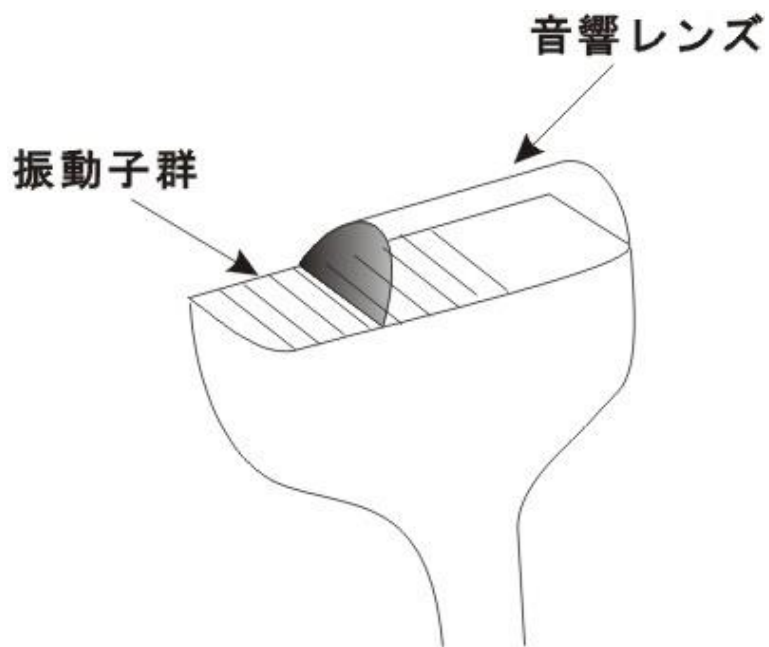
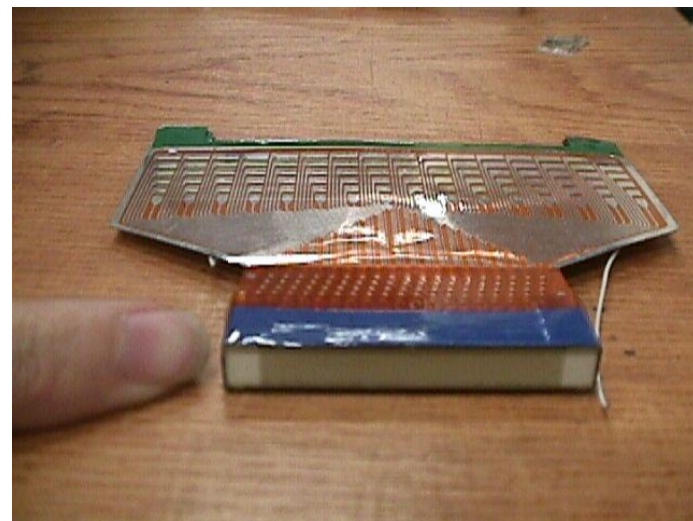
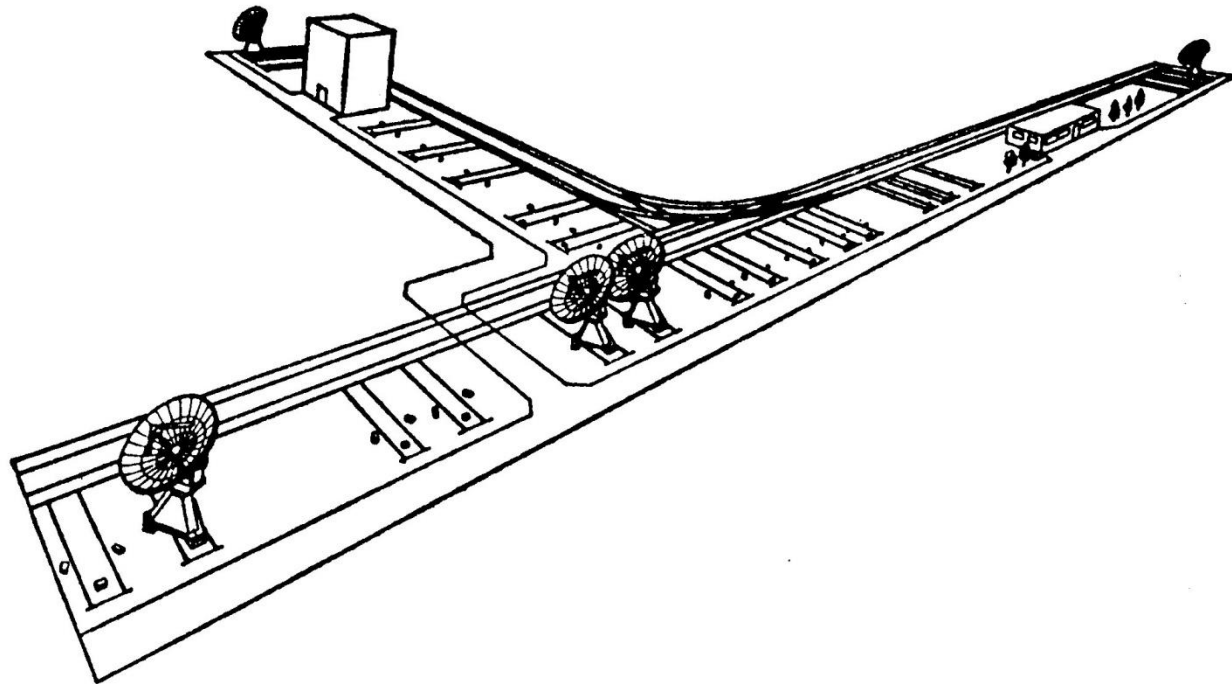


図 2.18 セクタ電子スキャンの原理

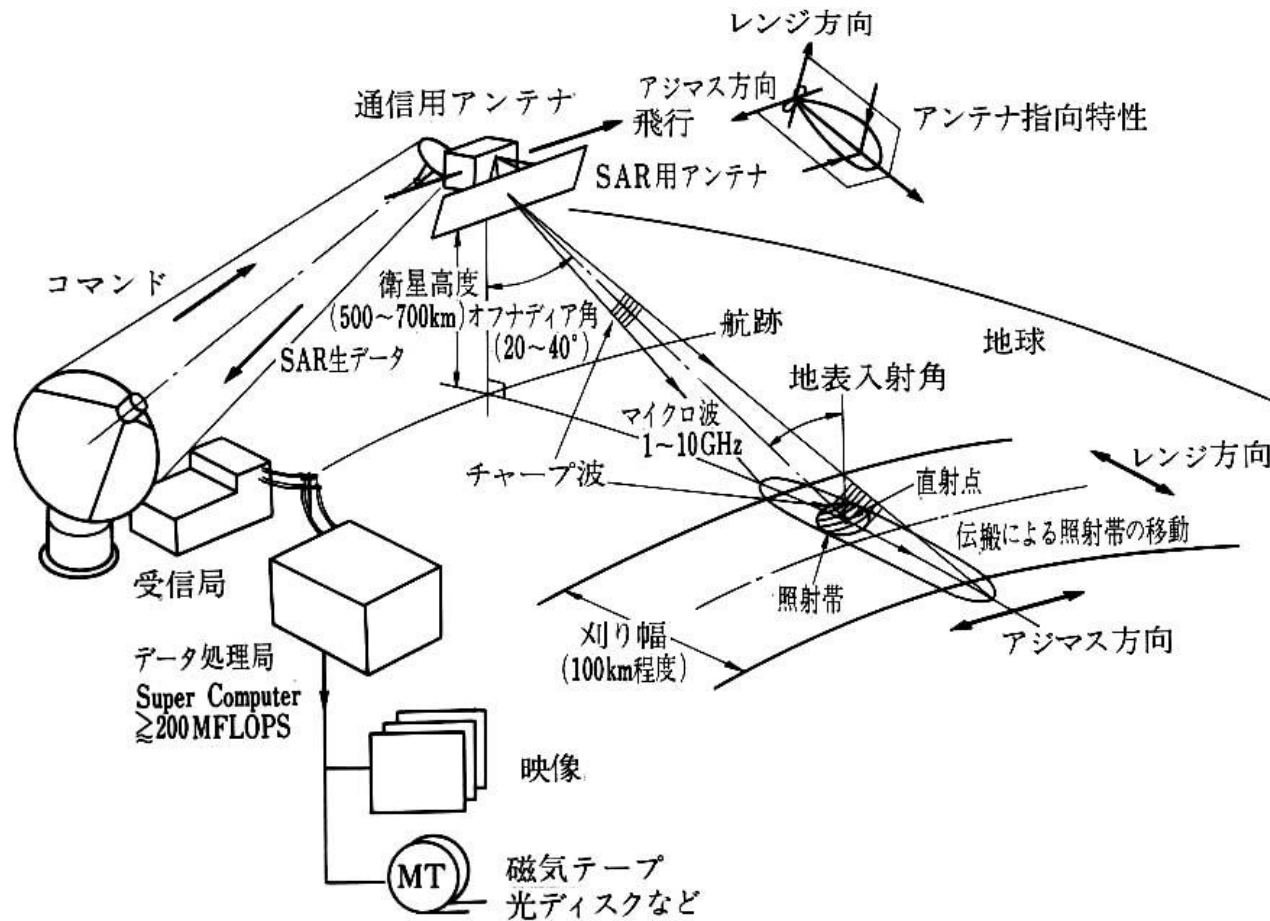


# Synthetic Aperture

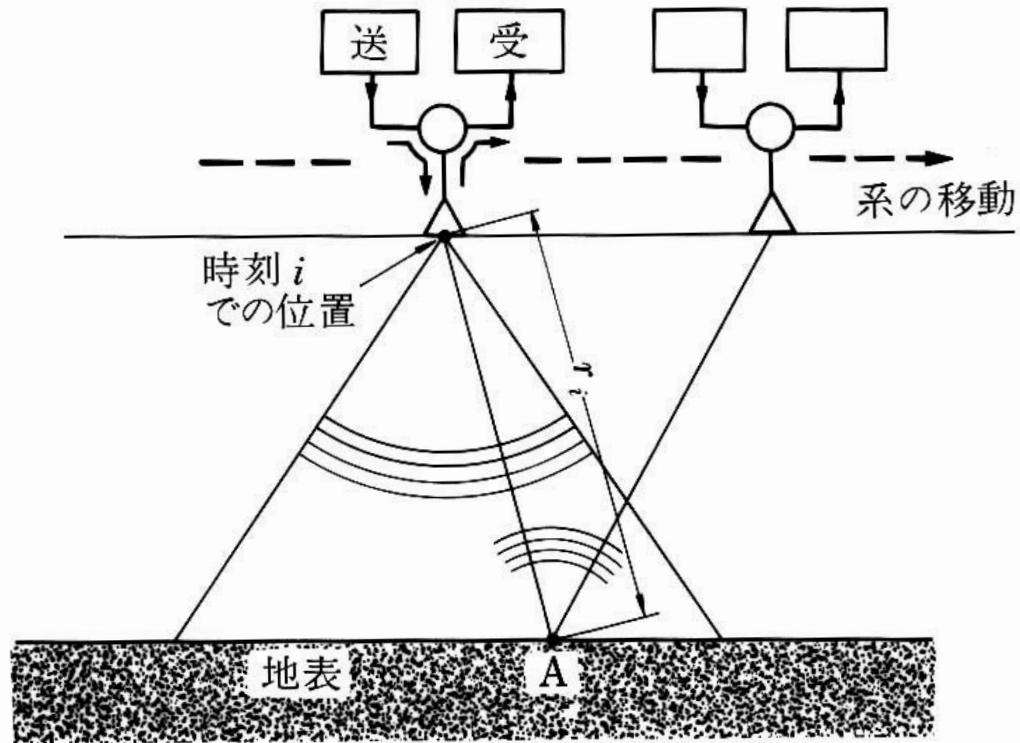


Synthetic aperture radio telescope (Nobeyama)

# Satellite-Borne SAR (Synthetic Aperture Radar)



# Synthetic Aperture



Signal emission and detection

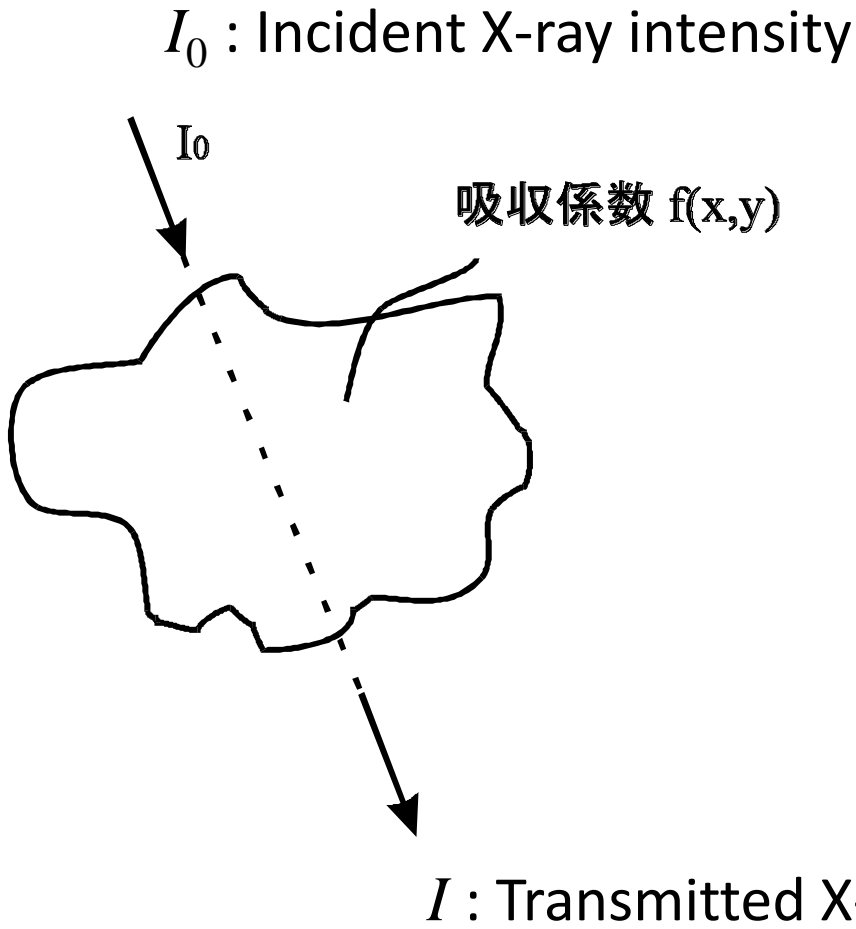
## 4 . X-ray CT: Solving an inverse problem by calculation

### Discovery of X-ray



Wilhelm Rentgen 1895

# X-ray CT



Attenuation of X-ray

$$I = I_0 \exp\left(-\int f ds\right)$$

therefore

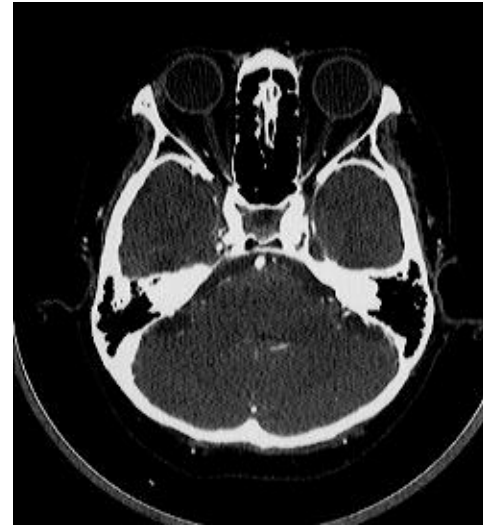
$$-\ln\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right) = \int f ds$$

That is, the line integral of the absorption coefficients can be observed.

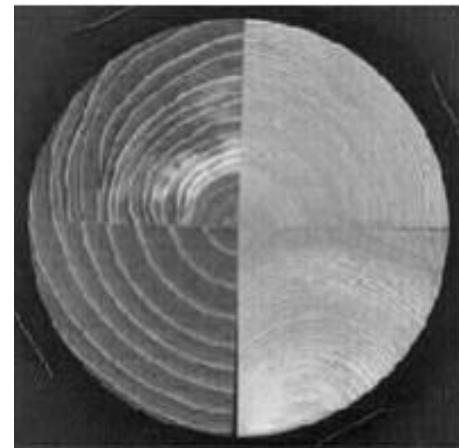
# X-ray CT



X-ray photograph



CT Image (Human Head)



CT Image (Wood)

## 5. MRI Localization by resonant frequency

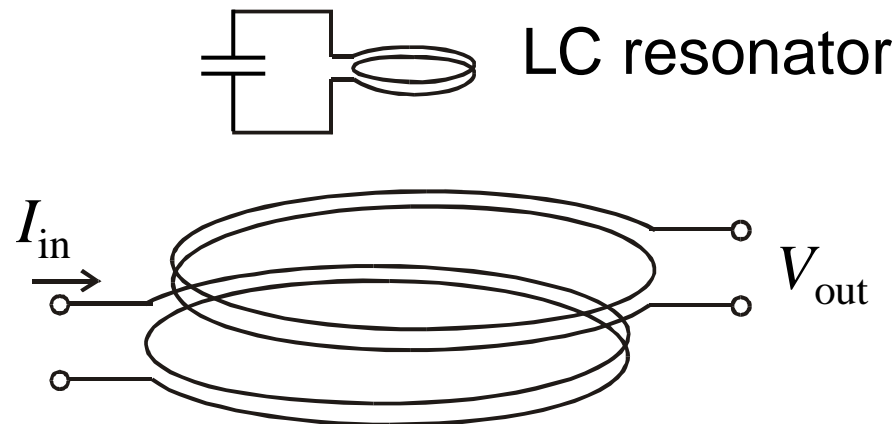
From NMR to MRI

NMR : Nuclear Magnetic Resonance  
MRI : Magnetic Resonance Imaging

NMR of H  $\longrightarrow$  42.58 MHz/T

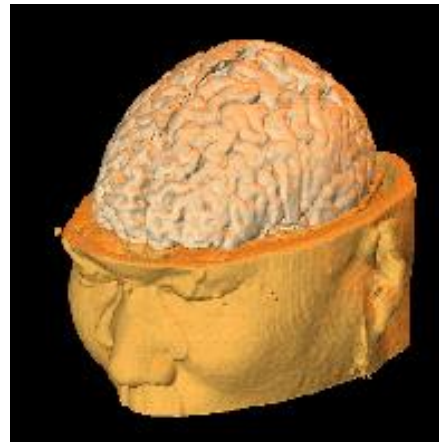
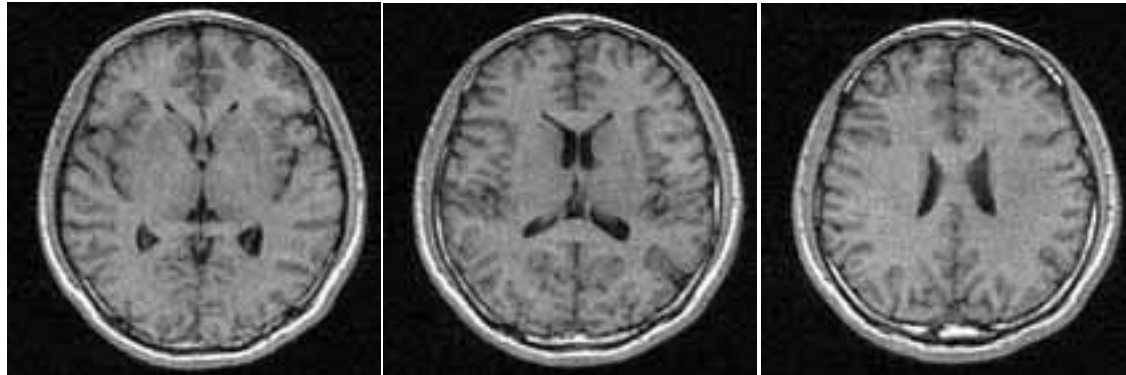
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Conceptual model of NMR measurement using a LC resonator



# MRI

Imaging with gradient magnetic fields  
Paul Lauterbur 1973

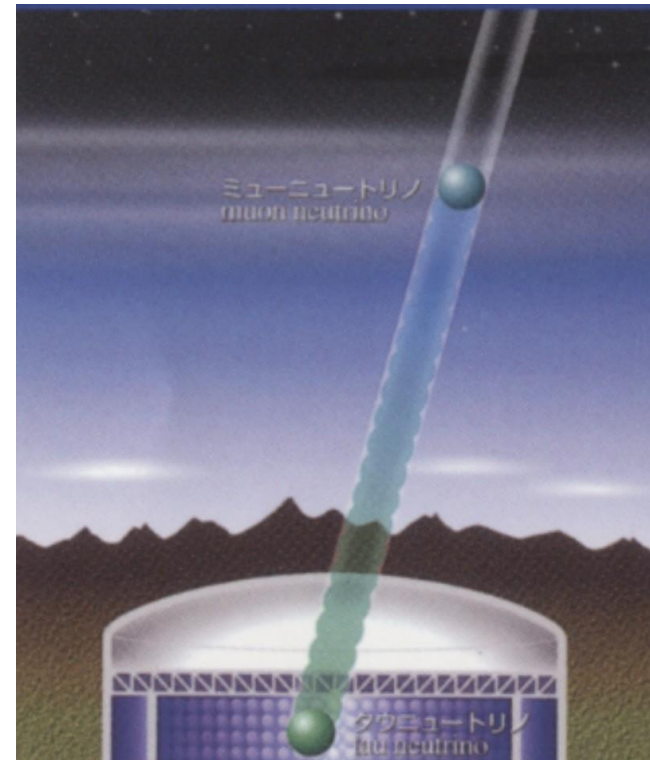
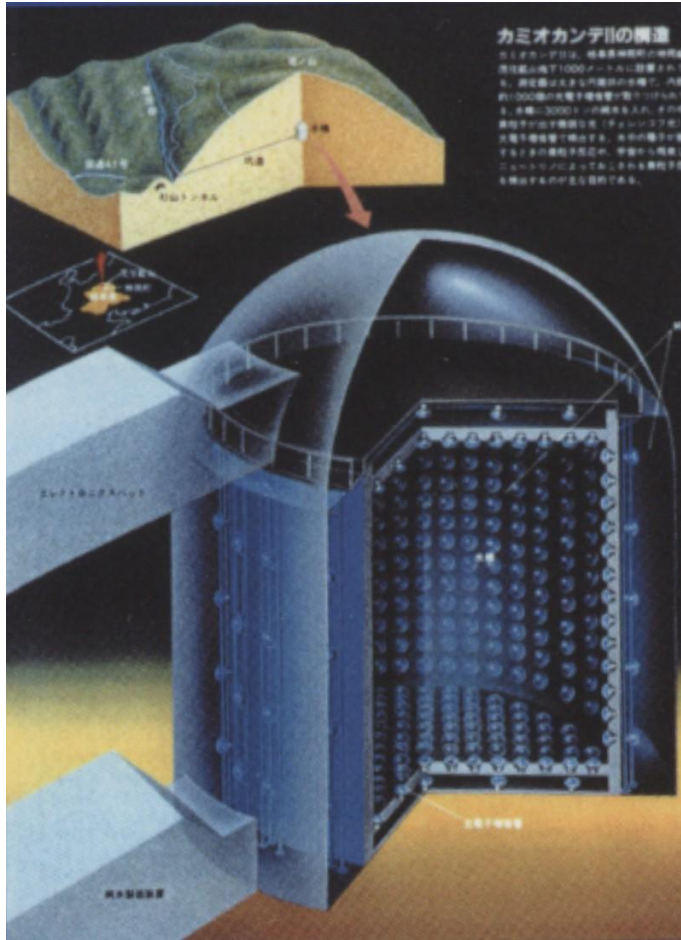


<http://www.nips.ac.jp/smf/mri/mri-brain.html>



## 6. Kamiokande --- Neutrino telescope

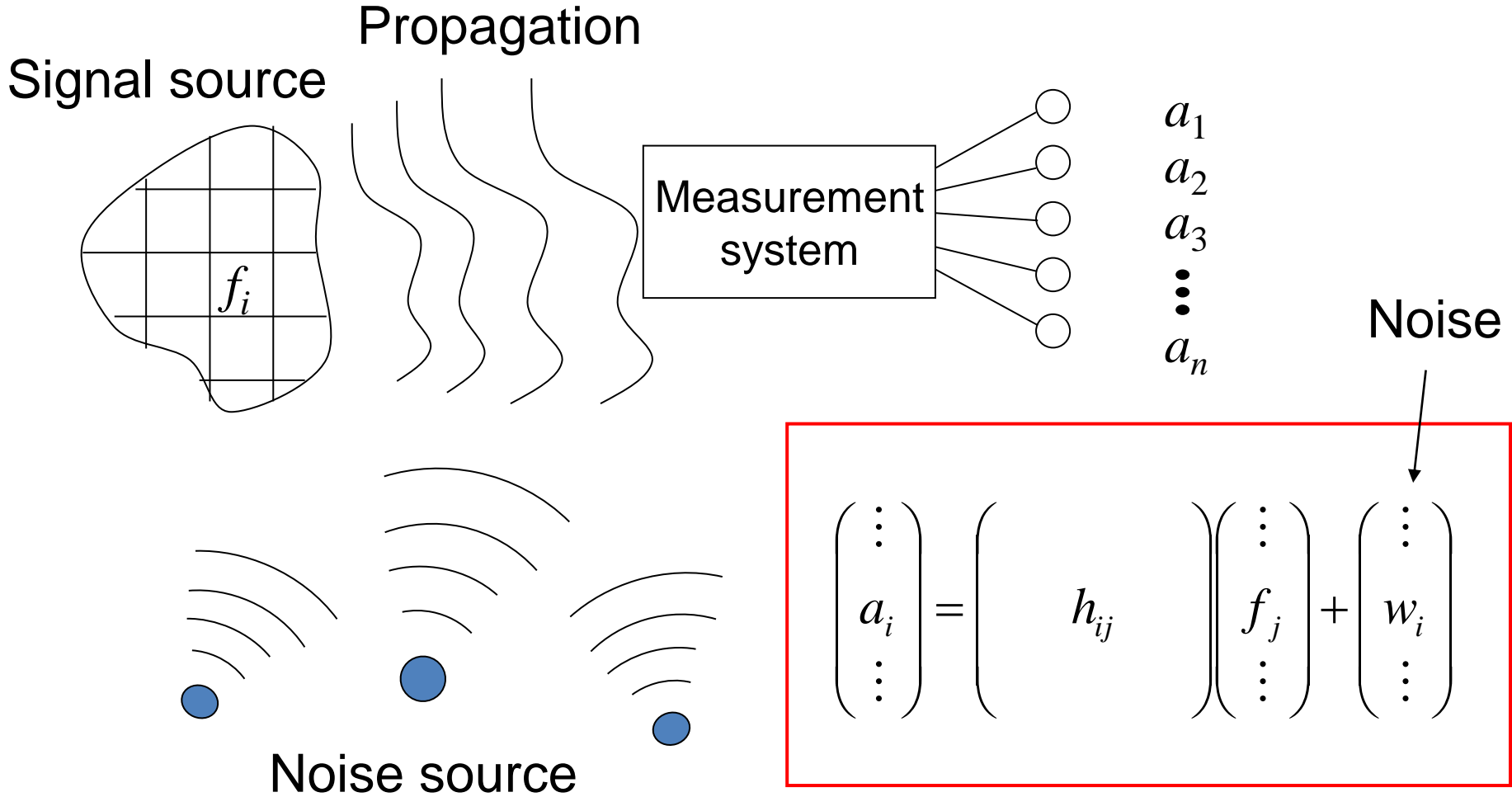
### Estimating the motion directions of incoming neutrinos



カミオカンデ 1983

Estimating the moving direction of charged particles by observing the shock waves (Čerenkov light)

# Pattern measurement in a linear system



Estimate  $f$  from  $a$

## (2) Pattern measurement today

- Development of MEMS
- Small, fast, and cheap IC
  - A sensor can transmit the measured value in digital data
- Big computational power
- Global network
- A sensor can measure its position and the time by itself
- Change of needs

# The goal of the next class

Understanding a common method to address the following problem and applying it to actual problems

Estimating  $Q$  from a measured value vector

$$\mathbf{V} = (V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n)$$

What is the best estimation under noise?

What is the best design of the measurement system to minimized the estimation error?