

Perceptually based Tone Mapping for Low Light Video

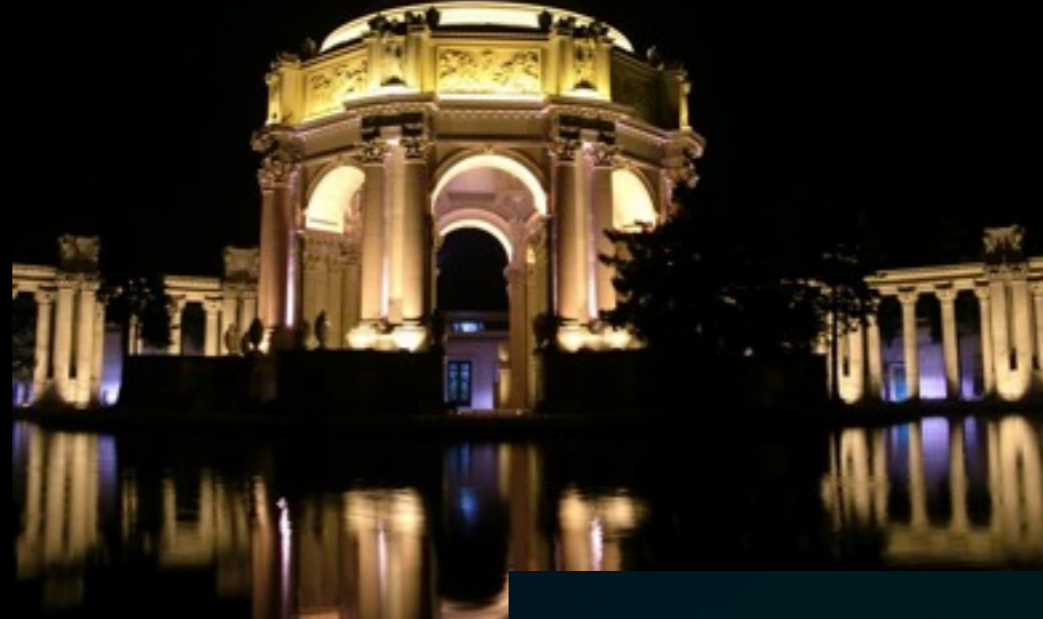
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It often seems to me that the night
is much more alive and richly colored than the day.

-Vincent Van Gogh

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Problem

- Image/Video taken in low-light does not match human perception well.

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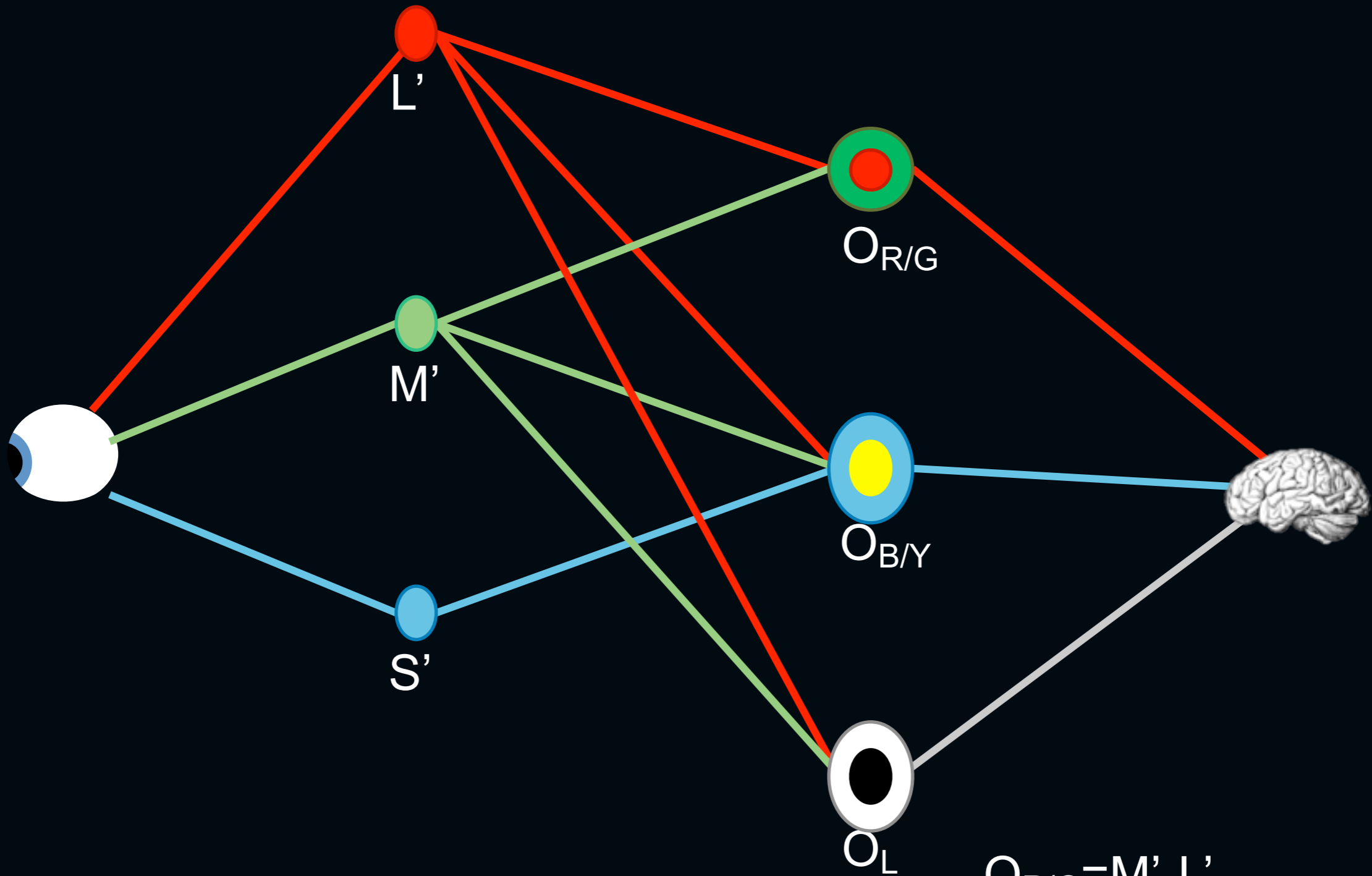


Motivation

- Cinematographers often color correct the film they shot at night time.
- “With semi-automated process, we can discover new looks and lessen the time we spend on color correction.” --Daryn Okada, Cinematographer

Motivation

- There is non-linear color shift that happens when eye transitions from light to low-light condition.

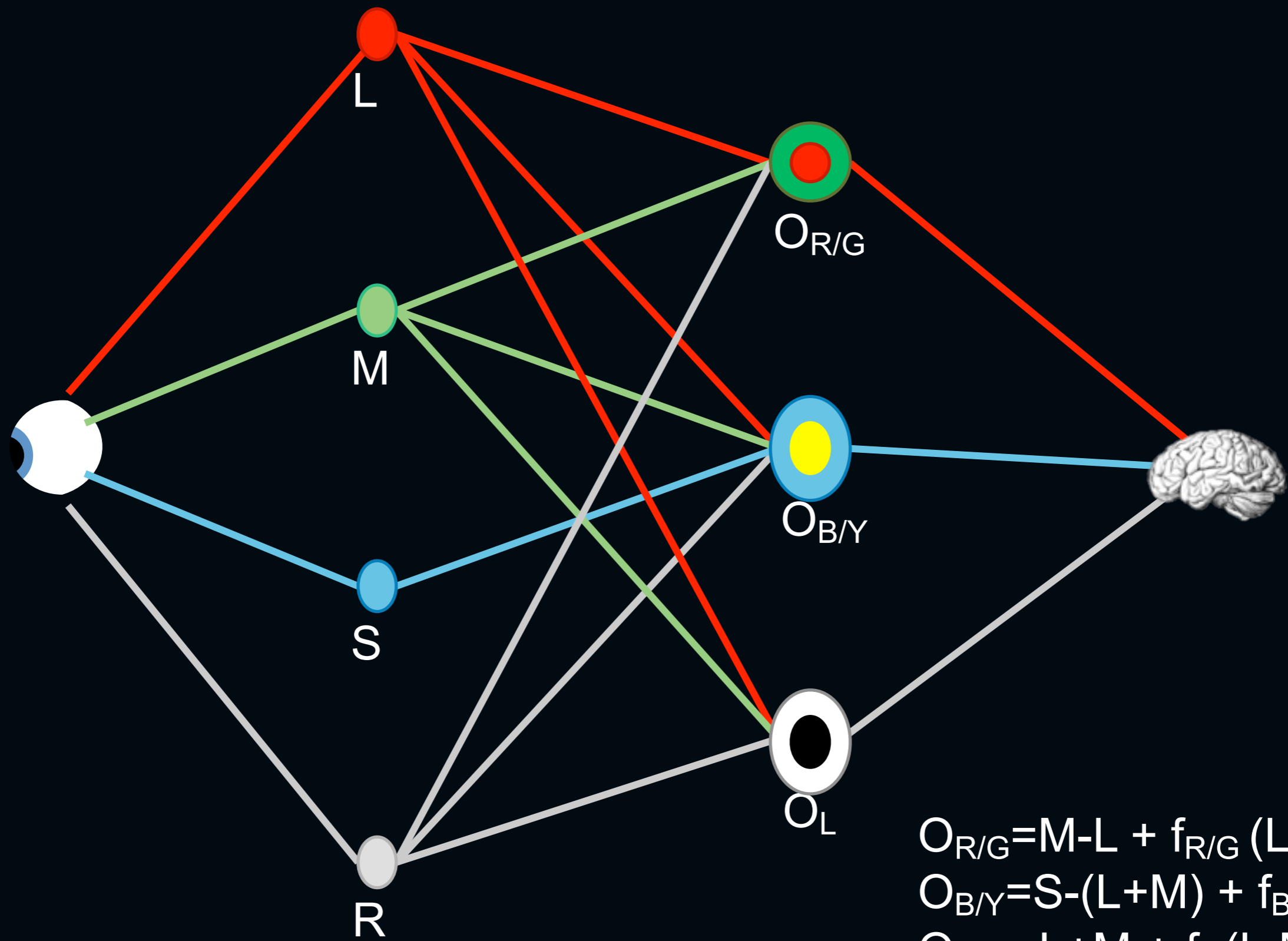


$$O_{R/G} = M' - L'$$

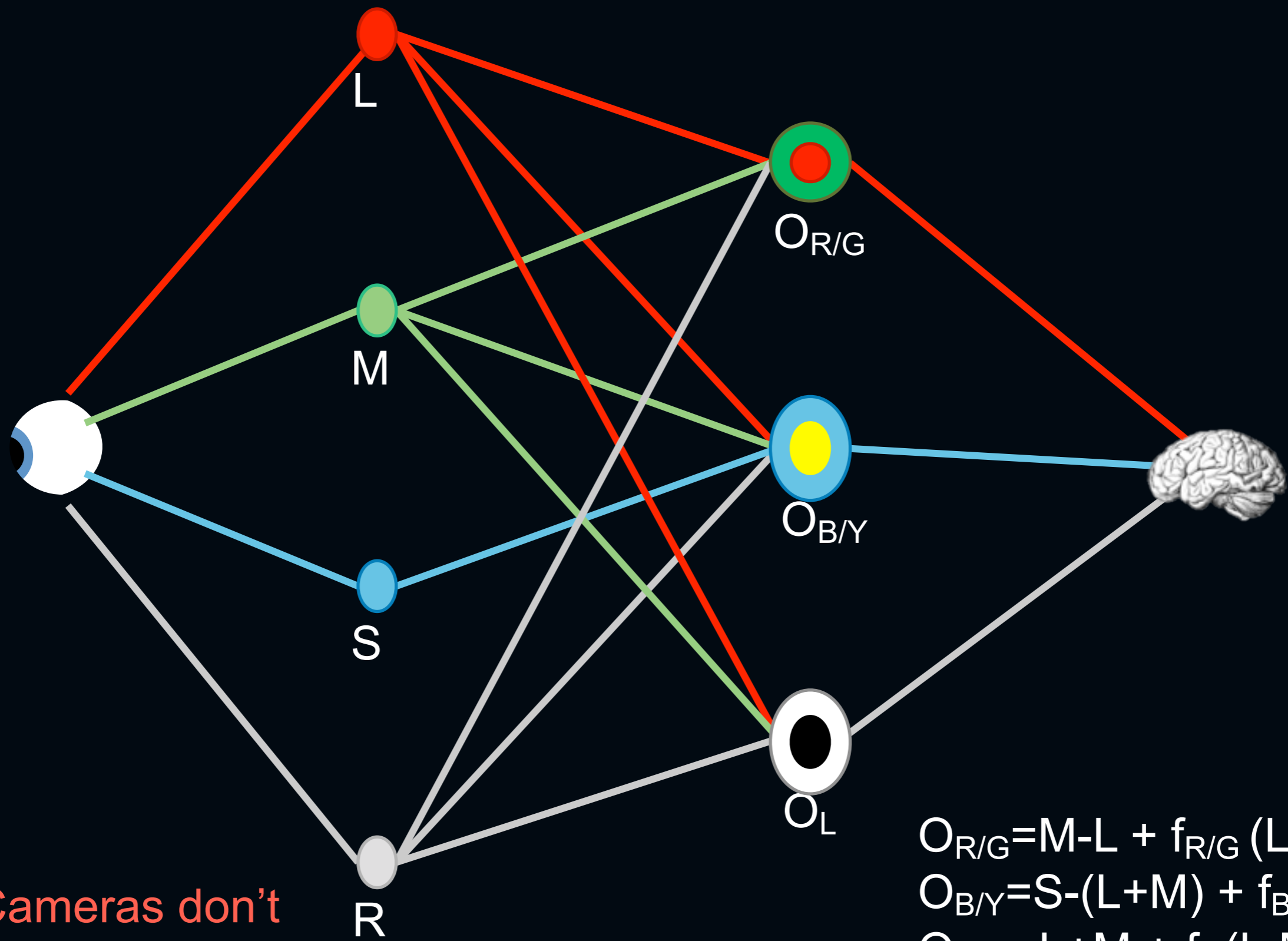
$$O_{B/Y} = S' - (L' + M')$$

$$O_L = L' + M'$$

Slide courtesy of Kirk & O'Brien



$$O_{R/G} = M - L + f_{R/G}(L, M, R)$$
$$O_{B/Y} = S - (L + M) + f_{B/Y}(L, M, S)$$
$$O_L = L + M + f_L(L, M, R)$$



Cameras don't account for this forth channel.

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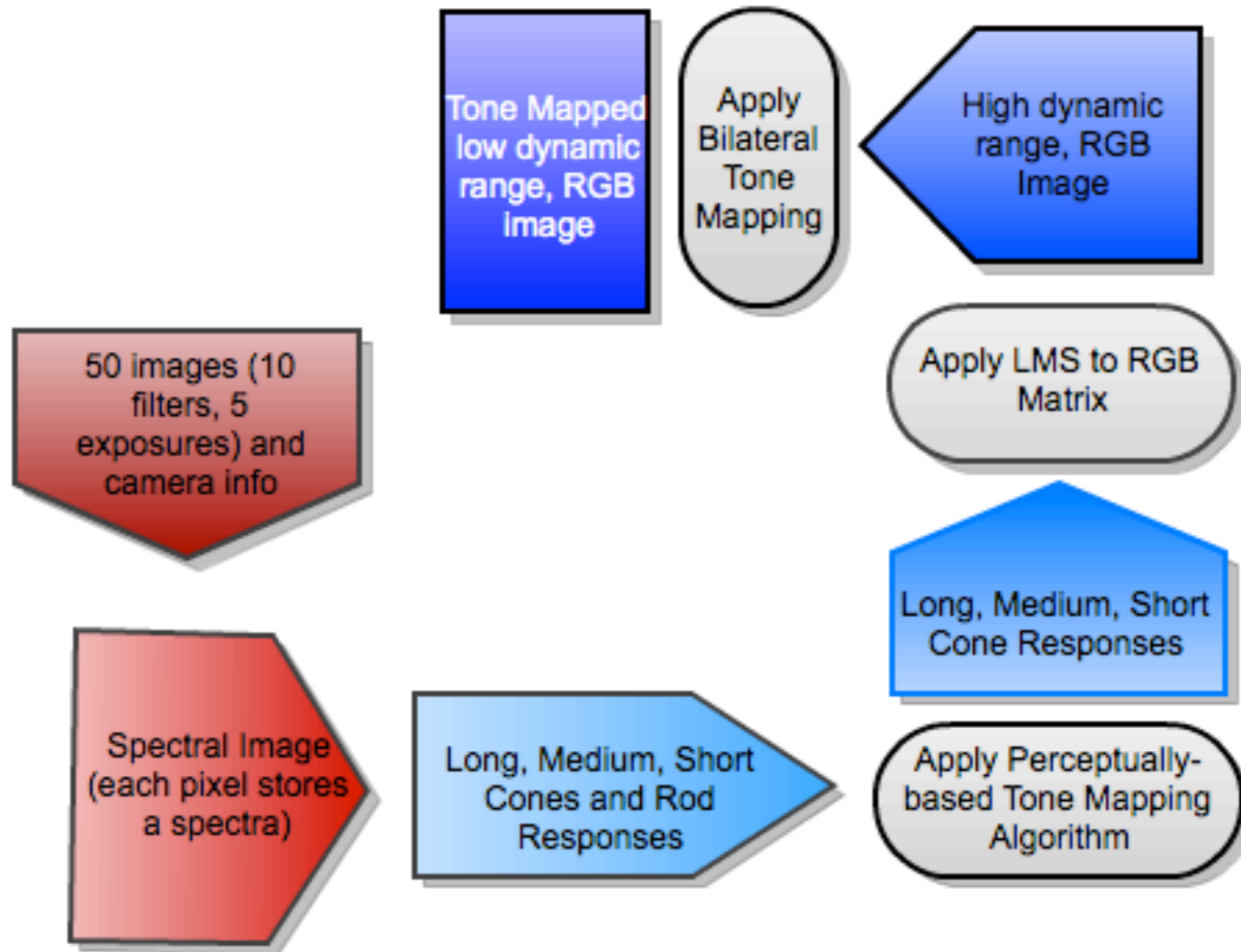
$$O_L = L + M + f_L(L, M, R)$$

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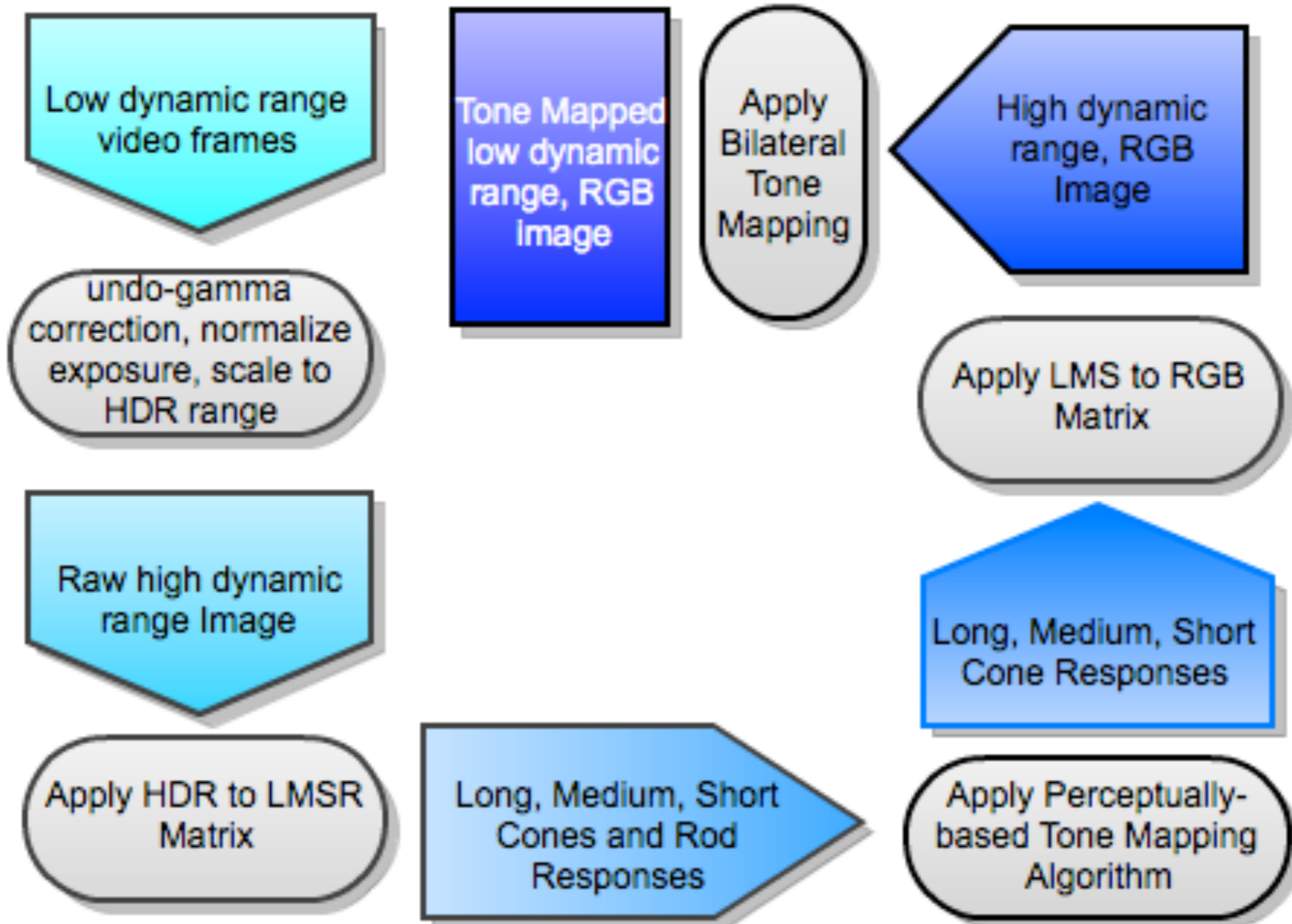
Approach

Perceptually Based Tone Mapping (PBT)



Approach

Our Pipeline



LDR RGB to HDR RGB

LDR RGB -> Raw RGB -> HDR RGB -> PBT

- Low dynamic range RGB is converted to raw RGB.
 - Undo gamma, white balance gain.
- Raw RGB converted to HDR range by normalizing exposure.

HDR RGB to LMSR

- We train a four by three matrix to convert HDR RGB to LMSR using least squares.

0.053	0.054	-0.061
0.039	0.043	-0.046
0.008	0.020	-0.011
0.029	0.042	-0.037

Clamping Negative LMSR Values to Zero



Adding Offset to LMSR



Comparison to Naive Blue Gain



Input

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Results

- <http://www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~yglee/proj/fp11/Home.html>

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Output 1

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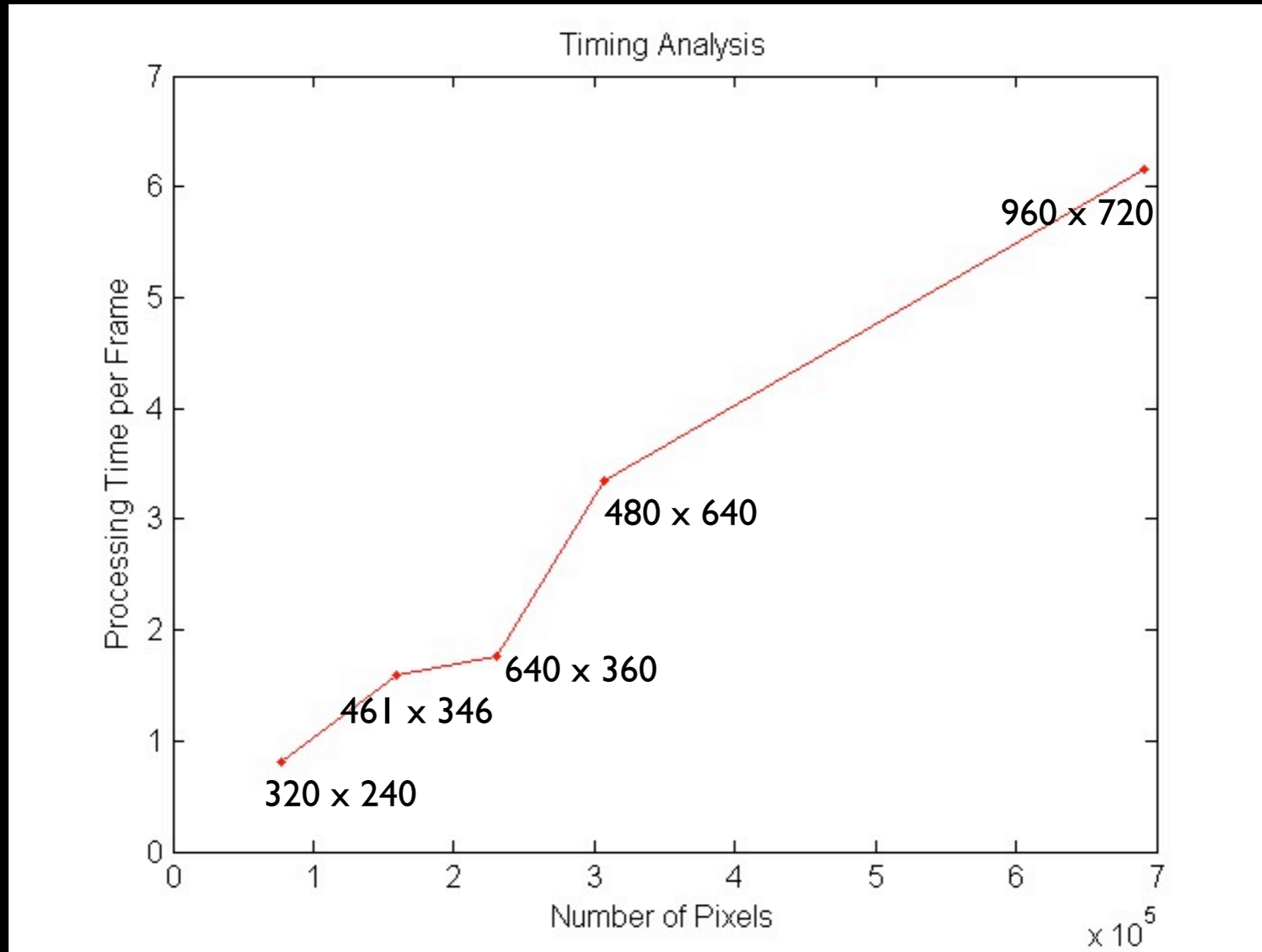
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Future Work

- Negative lmsr values ->how to get rid of them.
 - constraint optimization on training matrix
 - build a lookup table
- Make tone mapping faster.

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Questions?