CAMERA & LENS BASICS

Granada High School - Video Productions - Level 1

WHY DO WE NEED TO KNOW THIS?



A little bit of history might make you appreciate the advancements in technology. These advancements have brought film making and narrative story telling to a level where you can actually afford to make your own films

SOME JARGON THAT'S IMPORTANT RIGHT NOW

Edit: The process or result of selectively recording video and/or audio onto finished videotape or other media. Typically involves reviewing raw footage and transferring desired segments from master tape(s) onto new tape in a predetermined sequence.

MORE JARGON THAT'S IMPORTANT RIGHT NOW

Depth of Field: The distance between the nearest and the furthest objects that are in acceptable focus.









FORMAT



The size and type of recording medium.
This could be **film** (16mm, 35mm), **tape** (8mm, Mini-DV, 1/2-inch, VHS, etc.), **flash-based** (records straight to memory card), **HD-based** (records straight to a Hard Drive), or **Disc-based** (DVD).

Format also refers to **analog** (records a signal) or **digital** (records in zeros and ones)

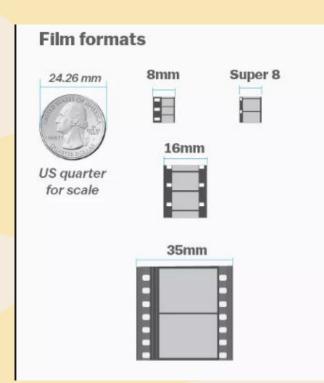


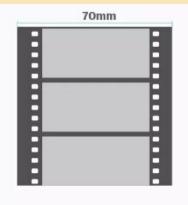


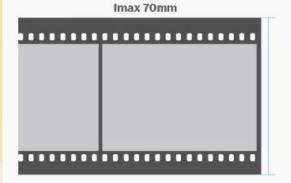


FILM FORMATS











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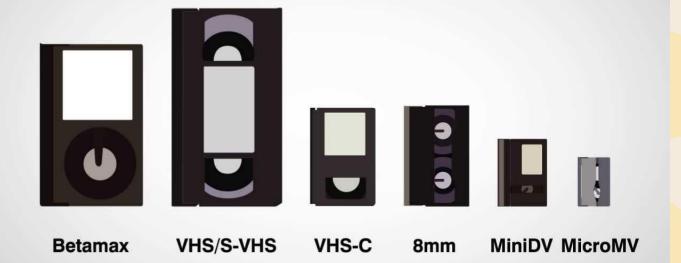




TAPE FORMATS



Size Comparison

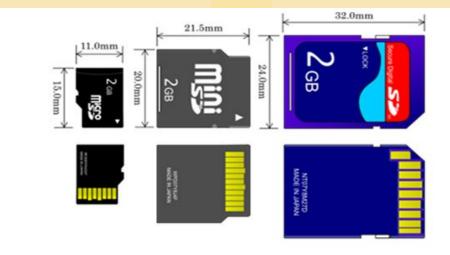


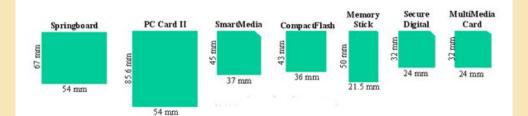






MEMORY CARDS















MEMORY CARDS

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Storage	Up to 2TB	Up to 512GB	Up to 512GB	Up to 2TB, possibly higher	Up to 2TB, possibly higher
Read/Write	50MB/s to 100MB/s common, theoretical	90MB/s common,	400MB/s to 515MB/s, upper limit	up to 400MB/s, newest card	1GB/s to 8GB/s, *theoretical limit
Speeds	limit 312MB/s	2371115/3	600MB/s	announced 1.4GB/s, *theoretical limit unknown	unknown







HDD-BASED (HARD DISC DRIVE) CAMERAS





DVD-BASED CAMERAS



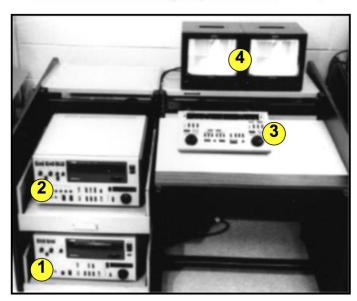


LINEAR EDITING

Linear Editing – "in a straight line."

- 1 "Play" VCR, for source videotape.
- 2 "Record" VCR.
 Selected scenes are
 copied onto videotape
 using this VCR.
- 3 Editing control unit. A computer that controls both VCRs, setting "start" and "stop" points.
- 4 Monitors for VCRs.

<u>Linear editing system (1987)</u>



NON-LINEAR EDITING



Final Cut Pro

Macintosh OS Only \$199



Adobe Premiere

WIndows & Macintosh OS \$19.99/month



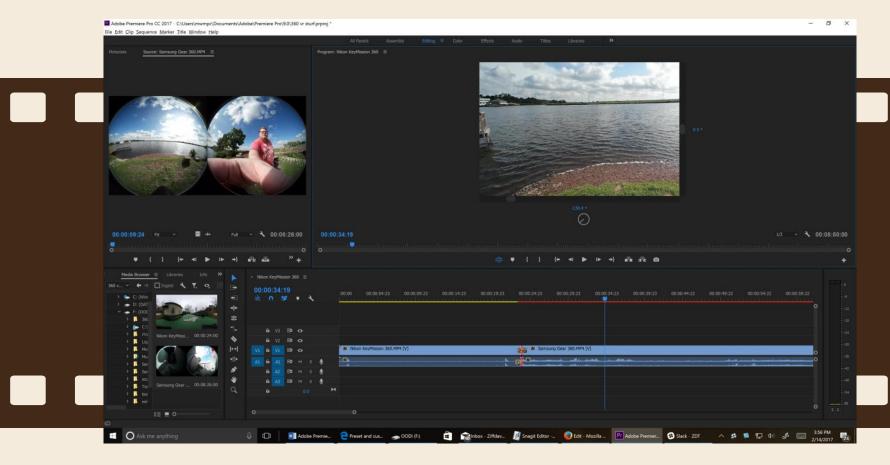
DaVinci Resolve

Windows, Macintosh, & Linix OS Free / \$299 Studio

FINAL CUT PRO



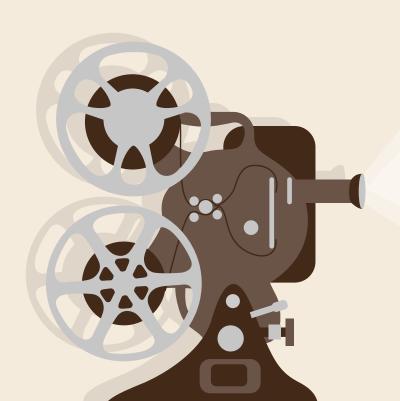
ADOBE PREMIERE



DAVINCI RESOLVE



FILM-BASED LINEAR EDITING

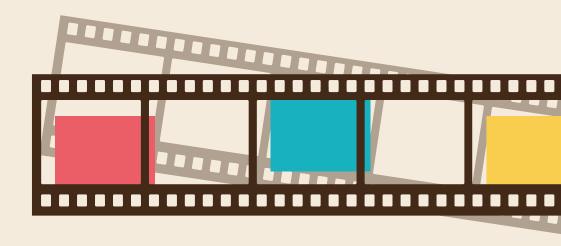


The oldest form of editing your movie, but still currently used in the industry as well as some college programs



THE CAMERA . . .

For now, just remember that there are many different reasons that a filmmaker might choose which camera to use. It could be based on quality, style, cost, and/or availability.



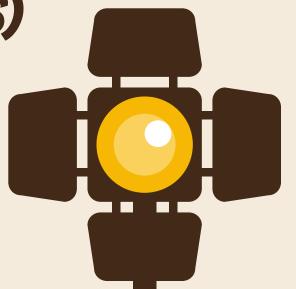
FLIP ULTRA





VIVITAR DVR (REPLACING SOME FLIPS)





CANON HV20





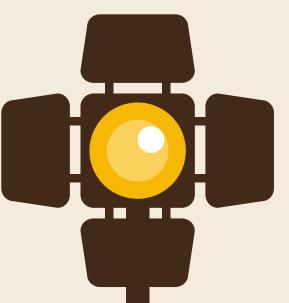
CANON VIXIA HF-R800





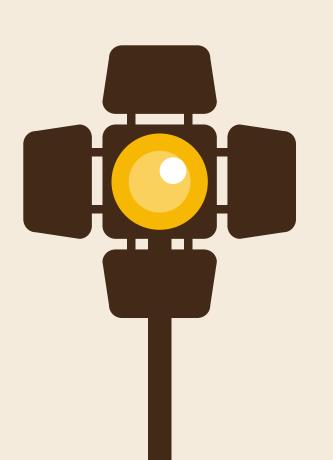
CANON XL-1





PANASONIC DUX-100





PANASONIC AG DVX200





CANON DSLR BODIES





BLACKMAGIC PRODUCTION 4K





BLACKMAGIC URSA MINI 4K





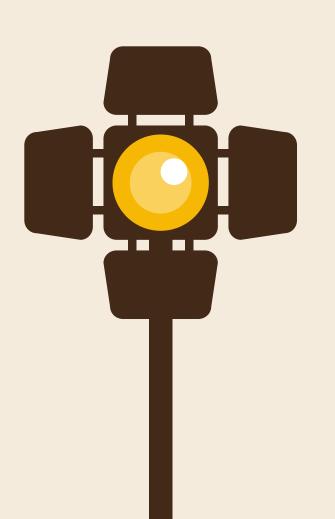
THIS CAMERA MIGHT SEEM SIMPLE





IT'S ALL ABOUT HOW YOU USE IT

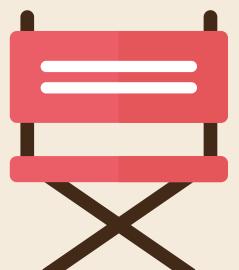




EVERY CAMERA MUST HAVE THESE 3 THINGS:

Lens

Allows light in and determines the angle of view. Focuses image onto the pick-up system.



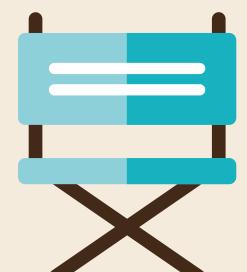
Pick-Up System

Converts an optical image to an electronic signal. Maintains overall constant amount of light.



Color Control System

Adjusts (or allows for the adjustment of) white balance & color levels.

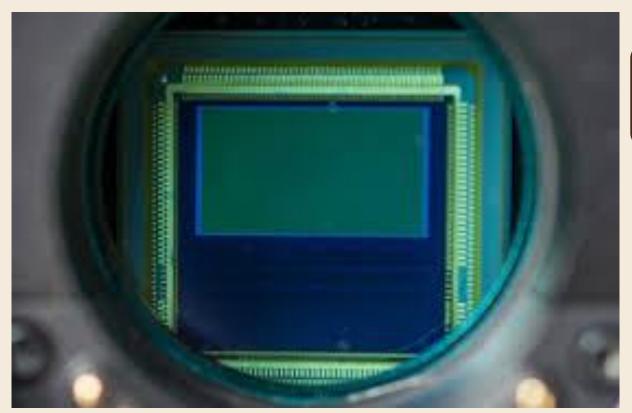


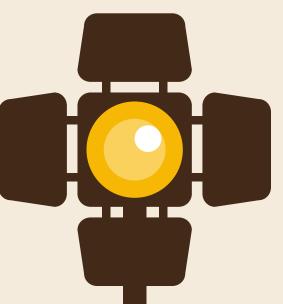
BLACKMAGIC PRODUCTION 4K





CMOS SENSOR IN BM PROD 4K





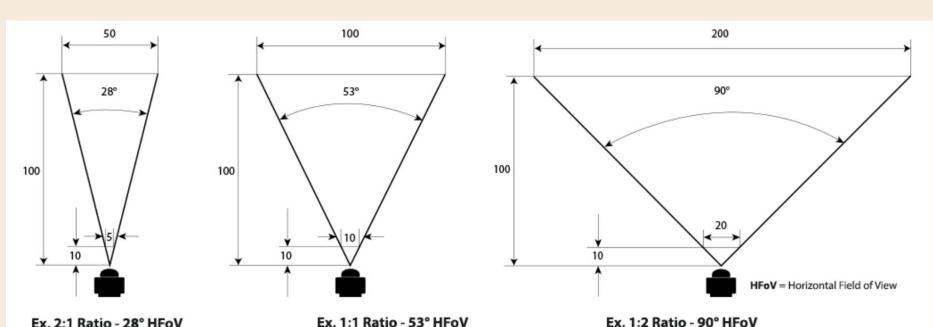
MORE JARGON THAT'S IMPORTANT RIGHT NOW

Aperture: The variable opening inside a lens that regulates the amount of light available to the camera. (AKA: iris)

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Focal Length: Refers to a lens' field of view (sometimes called "angle of view", which is the width and height of the area that a particular lens can capture.

LET'S COMPARE THE ANGLE OF VIEW



Ex. 2:1 Ratio - 28° HFoV

At 10ft away you would see 5ft from left to right

At 100ft away you would see 50ft from left to right

At 10ft away you would see 10ft from left to right
At 10ft away you would see 100ft from left to right

At 10ft away you would see 20ft from left to right
At 100ft away you would see 200ft from left to right

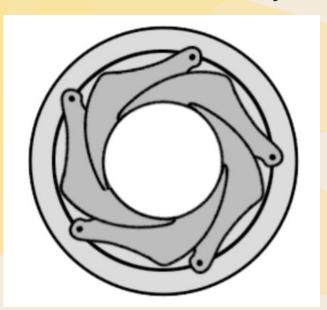


NOW, LET'S LOOK AT LENSES



Aperture: The aperture is the opening in which light is allowed to come in. Normally,

the aperture is adjustable so that you can vary the amount of light that comes in and reaches the sensor.



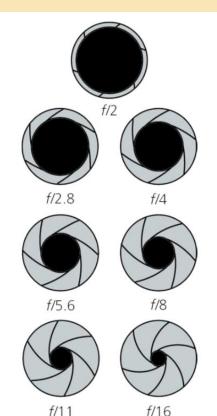






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The f-stop number is determined by the focal length of the lens divided by the diameter of the aperture. The aperture also affects Depth of Field. Smaller f-stop # equals less depth of field.











DEPTH OF FIELD CAN CHANGE BASED ON THE APERTURE OF YOUR LENS









TYPES OF LENSES



Normal Lens - Field of View about 25° (typically a 50mm focal length lens)



Wide Angle Lens - Field of View greater than 25° (18mm - 45mm focal length lens)



Telephoto Lens - Field of View smaller than 25° (70mm - 150mm focal length lens)







NORMAL LENS



- Natural Perspective
- Less of the shot will be in focs than with a wide angle lens.
- More of the shot will be in focus than with a telephoto lens.
- Medium Depth of Field
- Smooth/Natural camera movement

- Not enough width coverage in tight spaces.
- Can't get close enough to the subject because of obstacles



TELEPHOTO LENS



- Distant subjects brought closer/made larger in the frame.
- Less of the shot is in focus (shallow depth of field)
- Can get closer shots of inaccessible subjects.

- Space can seem compressed.
- Camera movement is exaggerated.
- Makes hand-holding a camera more difficult due to shakiness.
- Focus is very sensitive due to shallow depth of field.



WIDE ANGLE LENS



- Good for cramped areas.
- Makes hand-holding a camera easier due to less shakiness.
- More of the shot is in focus due to deep depth of field.
- Focusing is less critical due to deep depth of field.

- Space can seem exaggerated.
- Can distort a subject's (facial) features.
- Subjects appear smaller or further away in the frame.



QUESTIONS ABOUT JARGON

Do you have any questions about the jargon used today?

03. NON-LINEAR

Do you have any questions about linear or non-linear editing?

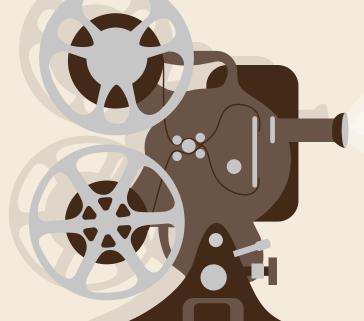
QUESTIONS ABOUT FORMATS

Do you have any questions about media formats?

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Do you have any questions about cameras or lenses?

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