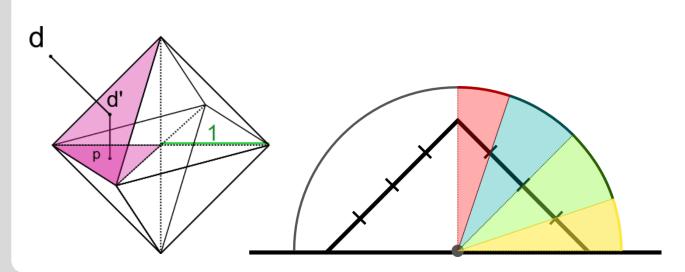


Irradiance Importance Sampling

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Goal



- Photorealistic Images
- Improve Path Tracing

Rendering Equation:

$$L_o(x,\omega_o) = L_e(x,\omega_o) + \int_{\mathcal{S}^2} L_i(x,\omega_i) \cdot f_s(\omega_i, x, \omega_o) \cdot \cos(\omega_i) d\sigma(\omega_i)$$

→ Monte-Carlo Integration:

$$\int_{\mathcal{S}^2} L_i(x,\omega_i) \cdot f_s(\omega_i, x, \omega_o) \cdot cos(\omega_i) d\sigma(\omega_i) \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{L_i(x,\omega_k) \cdot f_s(\omega_k, x, \omega_o) \cdot cos(\omega_k)}{p(\omega_k)}$$



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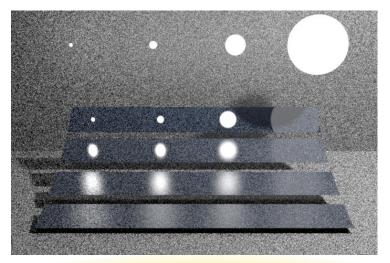
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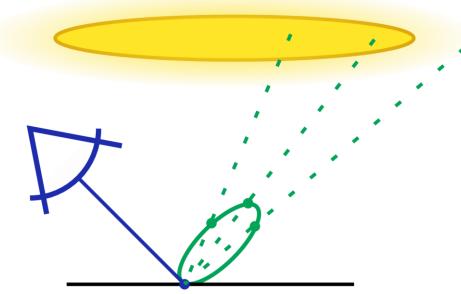


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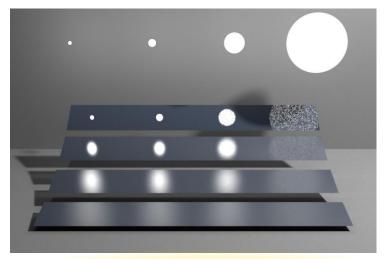


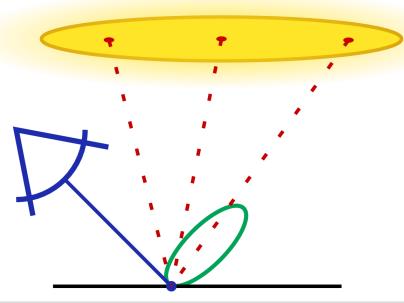




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 - Next event estimation (connection to light source)







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- Incident Radiance (L_i):
 - Next event estimation (connection to light source)
 - Caches for incident radiance

Steps

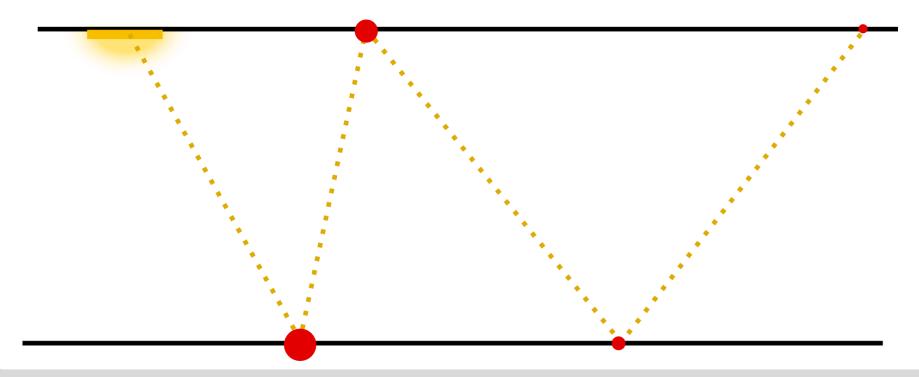


- Preprocessing → Create Caches
- Rendering
 - → Create paths using...
 - Caches
 - BSDF
 - NEE
 - → Combine with Multiple Importance Sampling

Preprocessing: Photon Mapping



- Photon:
 - Position
 - Incident direction
 - Energy



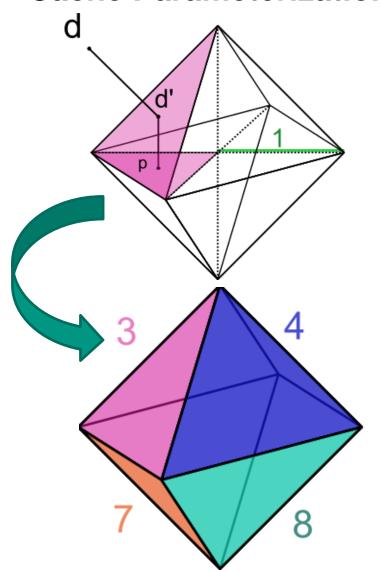
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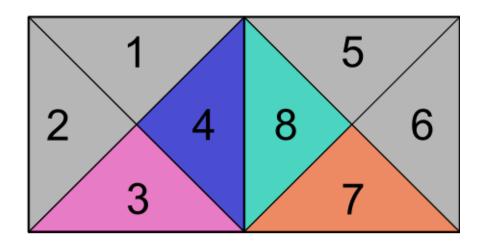


- Photon:
 - Position
 - Incident direction
 - Energy
- Cancel Paths
 - Russian Roulette
 - Energy contribution too small
- k-d tree for fast nearest-neighbour search

Cache Parameterization: Octahedron



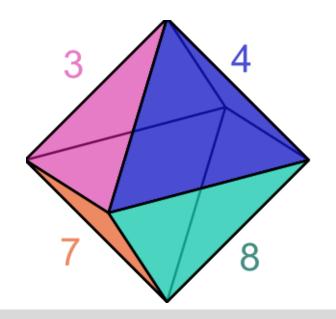


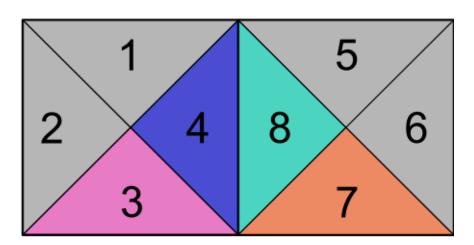


Cache Parameterization: Octahedron



- Simple extension to both hemispheres
- Simple conversion direction ⇔ texel
- Texels cover similar solid angles



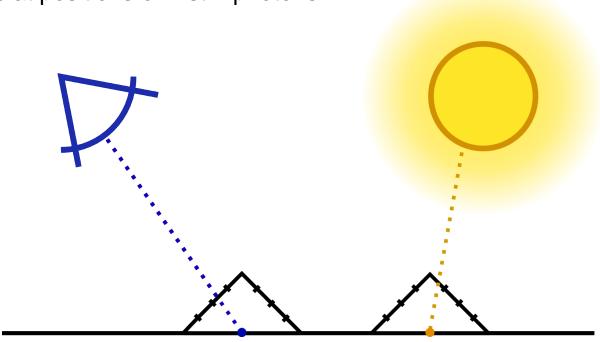


Preprocessing: Placing Caches



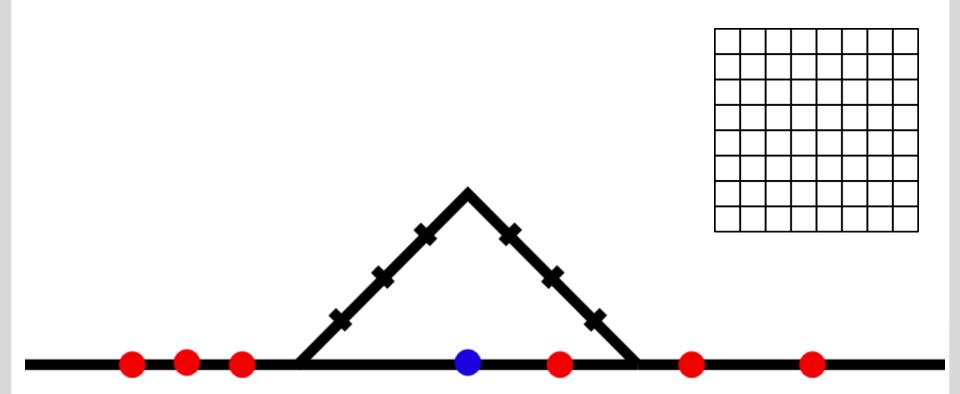
- From Camera rays:
 - One Cache per every 8x8 pixel block
- From Photons:

Place Caches at positions of first n photons





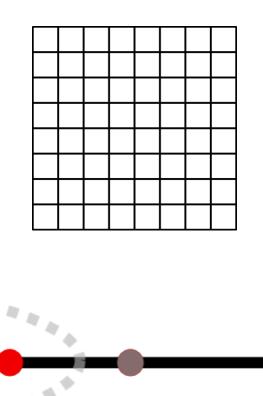
For every cache: Start with empty environment map (right)





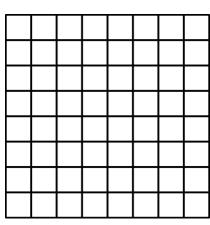
For every cache:

For closest k photons: (Example: k=4)



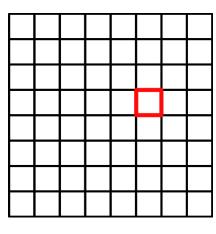


- For closest *k* photons:
 - Direction of photon



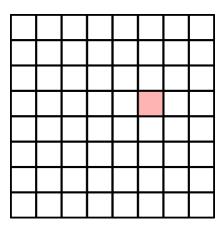


- For closest k photons:
 - Direction of photon → texel coordinate





- For closest k photons:
 - Direction of photon → texel coordinate
 - Add energy of photon to texel

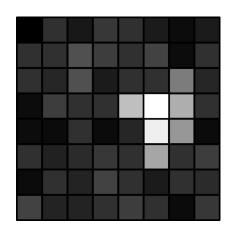


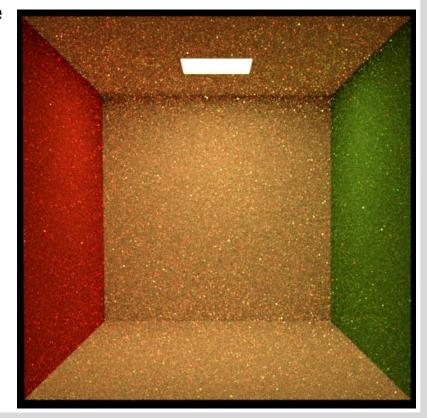


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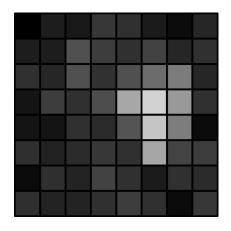
Resulting Environment Map:

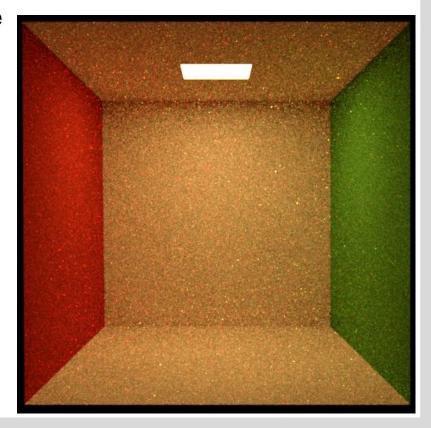






- For closest k photons:
 - Direction of photon → texel coordinate
 - Add energy of photon to texel
- Bilinear + Gaussian Filter







For every cache:

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Result:

Map filled with relative energy per incident direction

Preprocessing: Relative Energy → PDF



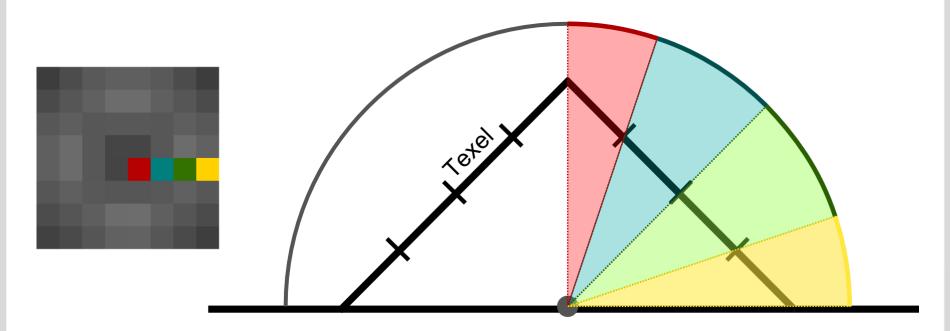
- Normalize sum of all texels to 1
- Monte Carlo Integration → Set all 0 texels to small value
- Normalize again

Result:

Map filled with PDF for incident radiance, measured over texel space

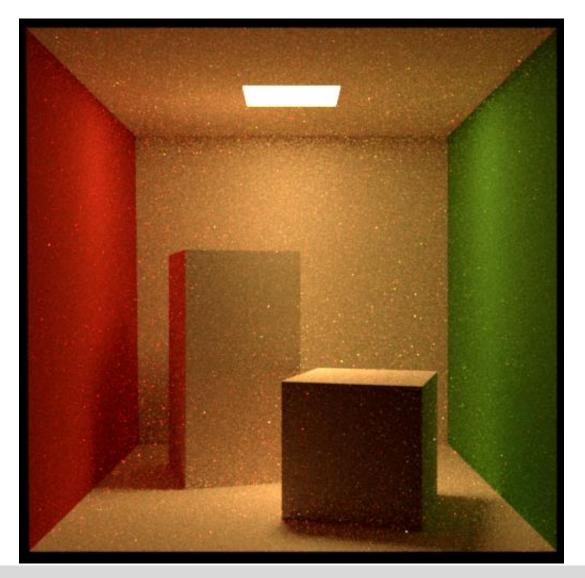


- Problem: Texels cover different amount of solid angle
 - More solid angle near the center
 - Less solid angle near the edges



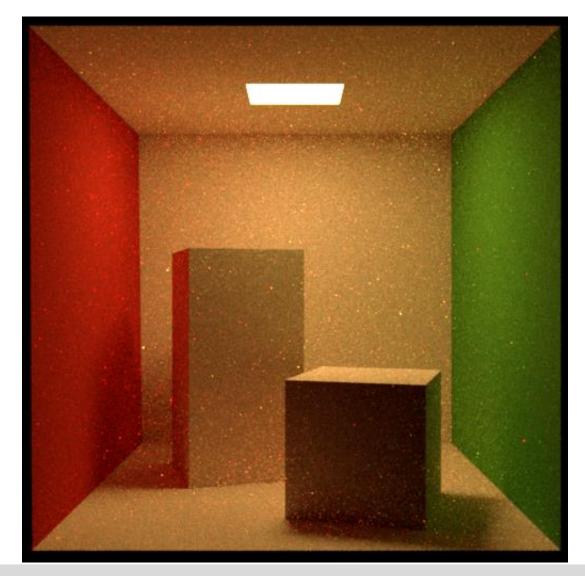


Wrong: convert with Factor $\frac{number\ of\ texels}{2\pi}$





Correct conversion to solid angle





Difference



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Final Cache

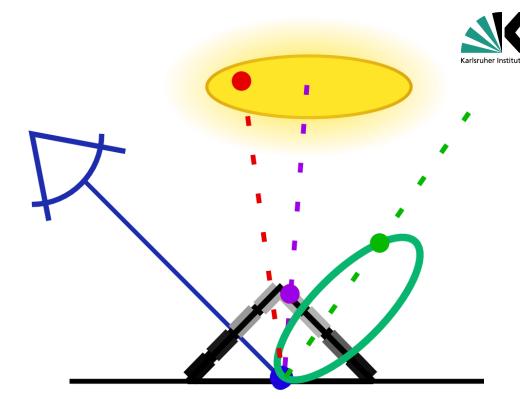


- Octahedron map with PDF over solid angle
- Octahedron map with CDF for sampling
- k-d tree for faster lookup

Rendering

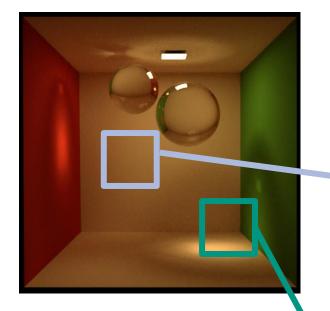
Sample paths using...

- Caches
- BSDF
- NEE

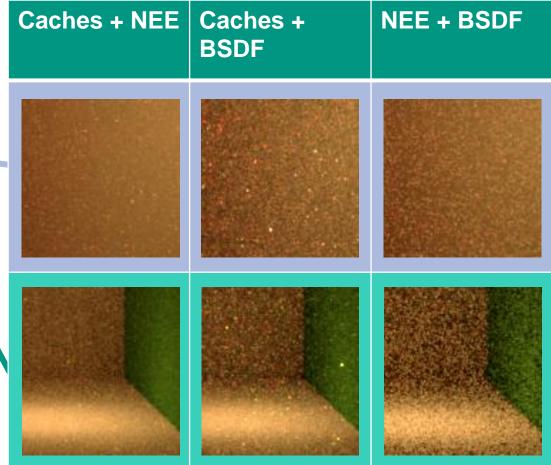


- → Combine with Multiple Importance Sampling
- → No Cache available? → switch to BSDF sampling

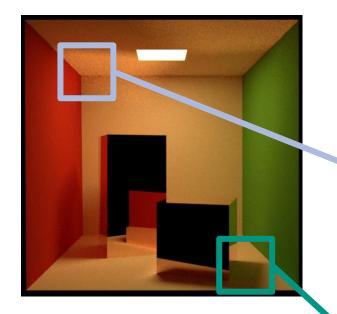




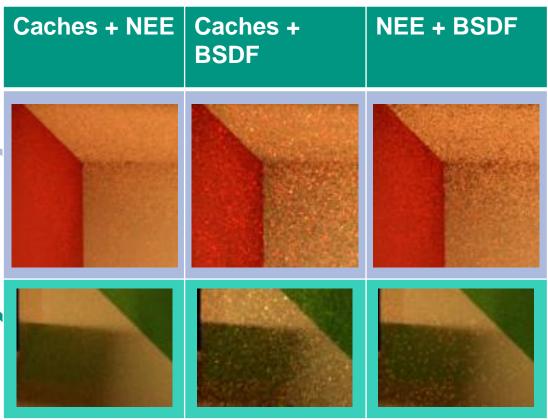
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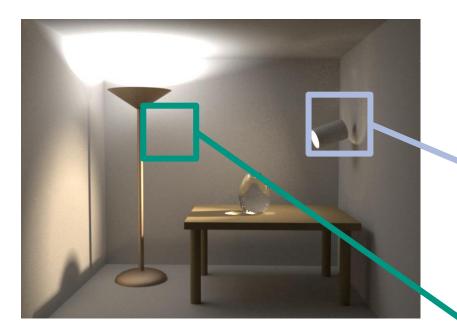




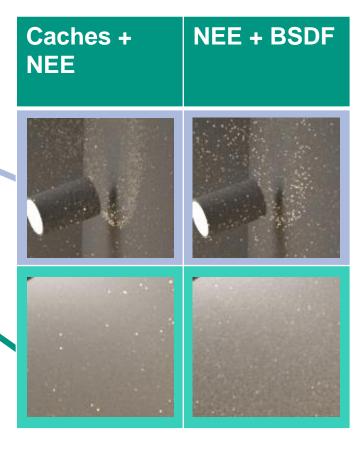
128 samples per pixel
800k photons
20k caches
1k photons per cache
16x16 texels per cache
42MB memory consumption





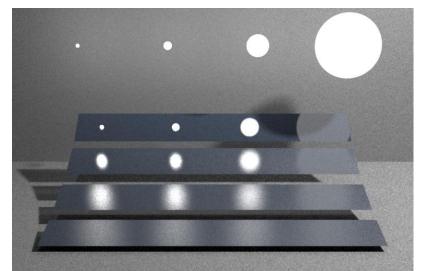


4096 samples per pixel
1.5 Mio. photons
30k caches
2k photons per cache
16x16 texels per cache
Xxx memory consumption
3300 triangles





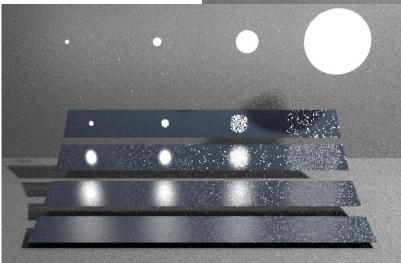
NEE + BSDF



64 samples per pixel1 Mio. photons20k caches2k photons per cache16x16 cache resolution

Caches + BSDF

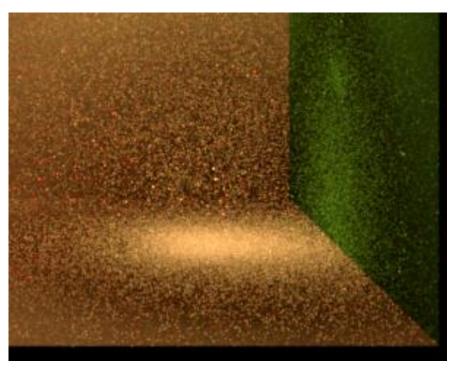
Caches + NEE





Different Cache Configurations: #photons

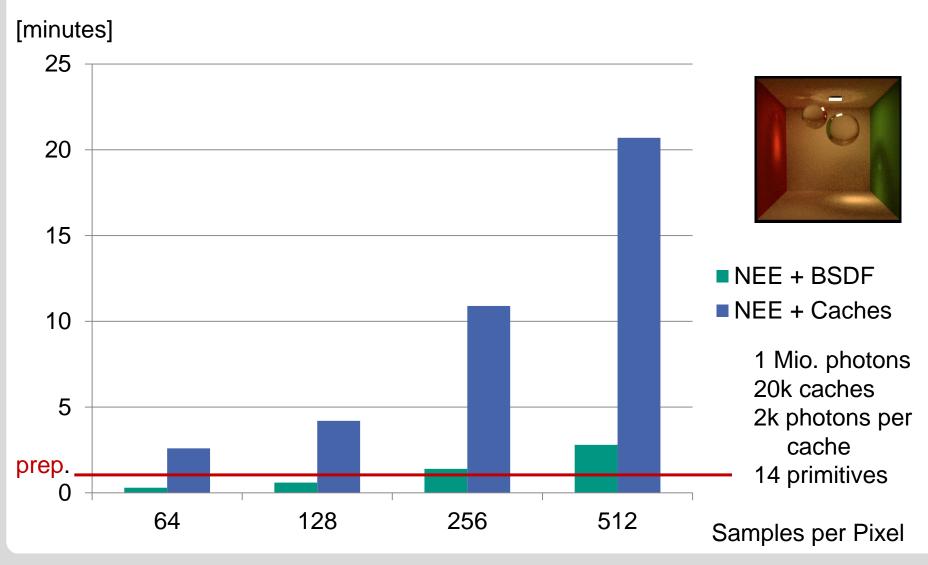




few photons in scene (~ 10 000)

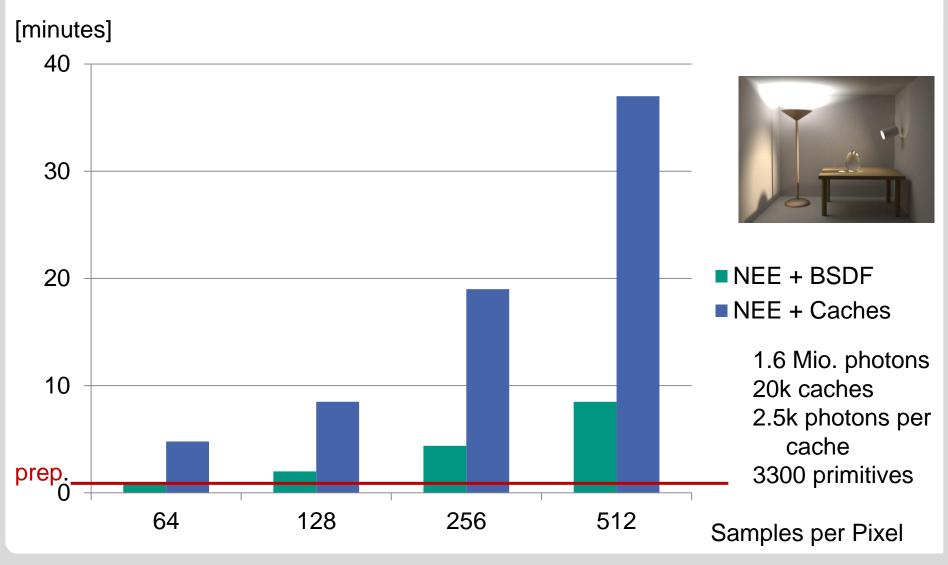
Render Times: Glass Sphere





Render Times: Glass Egg





Equal Time Comparison



NEE + Caches

NEE + Caches 128spp 8.4 min

NEE + BSDF 512spp 8.2 min



Equal Time Comparison



NEE + BSDF

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Conclusion



- Equally good image in similar time
- Better image with same sample-per-pixel count

Conclusion



On-line Learning of Parametric Mixture Models for Light Transport Simulation

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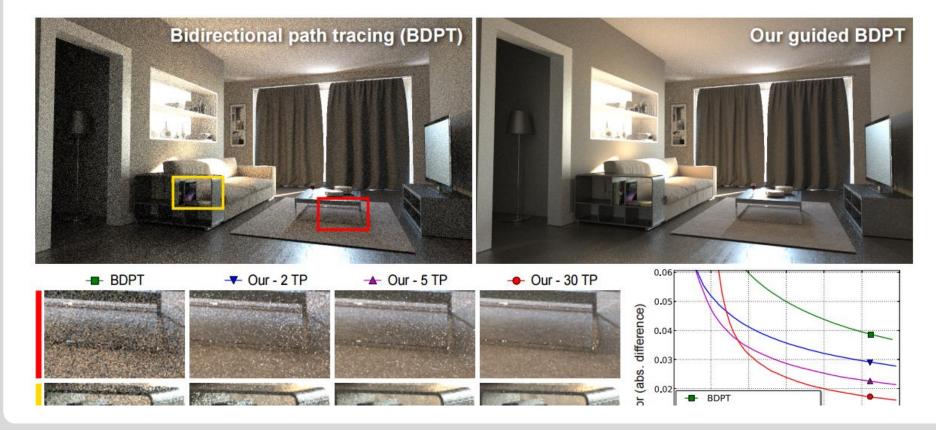
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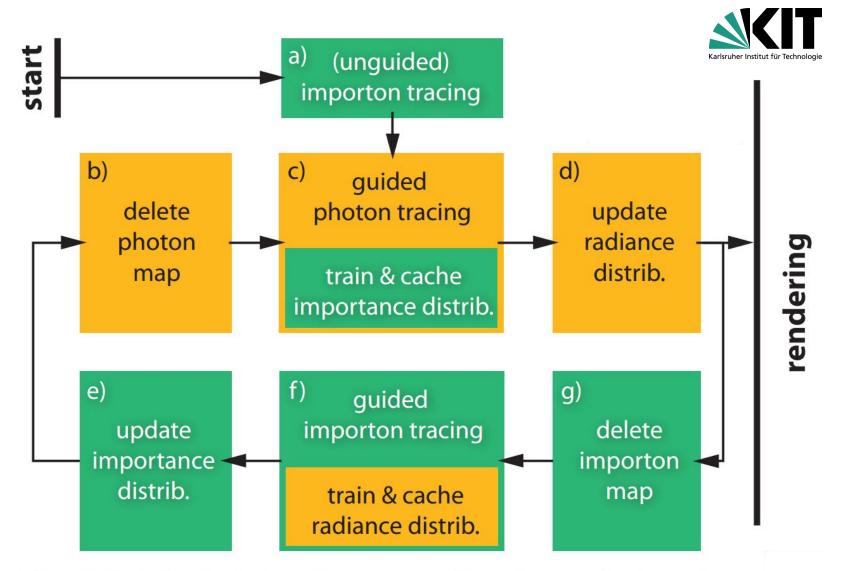
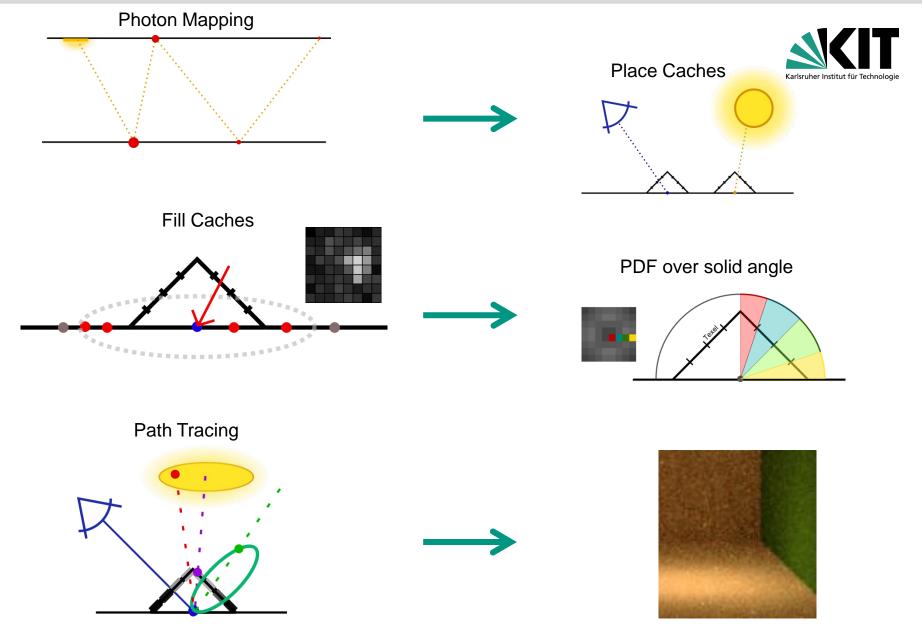


Figure 2: The training phase preceding the rendering phase.

Source: "On-line Learning of Parametric Mixture Models for Light Transport Simulation" (previous slide) http://cgg.mff.cuni.cz/~jaroslav/papers/2014-onlineis/



https://github.com/Baconkeks/Irradiance-Importance-Sampling