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Abstract

A recursive light-wave field generator (RLWFG) is an instrument consisting of a recursive reflective cavity, a time-varying emitter, and an internal wide-angle sensor. It produces and records the evolution of a recursive light-field wave. This paper defines the RLWFG as the first instrument of the field.

1. Definition

An RLWFG is a system

$$[\{C, E(t), S\}]$$

where (C) is a recursive reflective cavity, (E(t)) is a localized emitter, and (S) is an internal sensor. The system generates a recursive light-field wave and records its evolution.

2. Cavity Geometry

The cavity (C) defines the symmetry group (G) that constrains field evolution. Examples include:

- sphere (continuous symmetry)
- cube (discrete symmetry)
- cubix (hybrid symmetry)

These form a basis set for studying recursive behavior.

3. Emitter

The emitter produces radiance ($L_E(\lambda, t)$). Temporal variation drives the recursive system and enables controlled perturbation.

4. Recursive Mechanism

Light undergoes repeated reflections, generating a sequence of radiance fields. The recursive operator

$$[L(t) = \mathcal{R}(L(t-\Delta t), E(t), G)]$$

defines the system's dynamics.

5. Sensor

A wide-angle sensor (S) samples the interior field, producing a time-series
[$I(t) = S[L(t)]$]
representing the observable evolution of the light-field wave.

6. Output

The RLWFG produces a measurable, geometry-constrained, time-evolving radiative field.
The output encodes symmetry, perturbation, and recursive amplification.

7. Purpose

The RLWFG is introduced as the first instrument for studying light-field waves and recursive
reflective cavities. It provides a practical, low-cost, and visually accessible platform for
exploring recursion in physical systems.