

# A practical Microcylinder Appearance Model for Cloth Rendering

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$$L_o(\mathbf{p}, \omega_o) = L_e(\mathbf{p}, \omega_o) + \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{p}, \omega_o, \omega_i) L_i(\mathbf{p}, \omega_i) |\cos \theta_i| d\omega_i$$

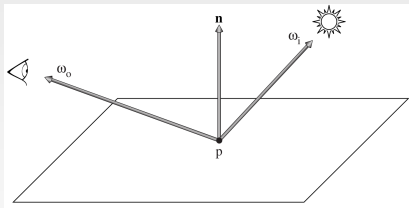
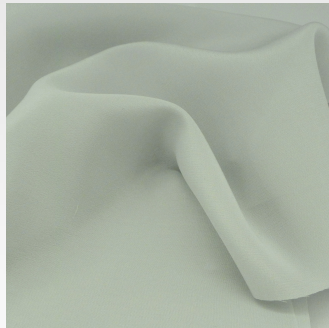


Diagram of light emitted from  $\mathbf{p}$ , image taken from [PH10].

where  $L_o$  is the outgoing radiance,  $L_i$  incoming radiance,  $L_e$  emitted radiance,  $f$  BRDF function,  $\mathbf{p}$  surface point,  $\omega_i$  incident light,  $\omega_o$  outgoing light,  $\Omega$  hemisphere above  $\mathbf{p}$ ,  $\theta_i$  angle of incidence.

- Render cloth fast and realistically
  - Small threads
  - Weaving patterns



Left shows a close up view of fabric, right shows a picture of cloth, images taken from [SBD\*13].

- Exemplar-based
  - Data acquisition
  - BRDF fitting
  - Not flexible but fast
- Procedurally-based
  - Extending BRDF
  - Flexible but slow



Cloth rendered with a volumetric technique, image taken from [JAM\*10].

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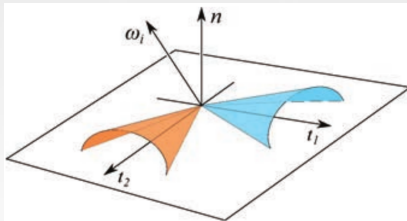
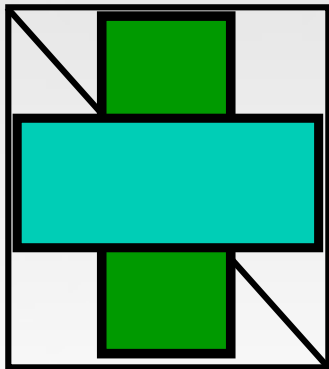
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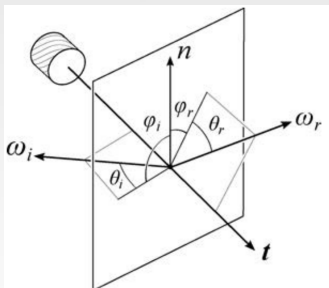
- Two microcylinders [SBD\*13]



Left shows model in a triangle mesh, right shows scattering cones in a patch, images taken from [SBD\*13].



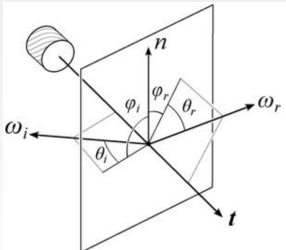
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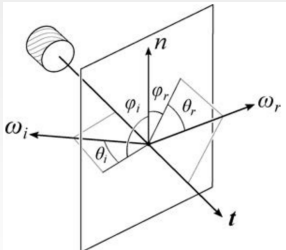
Angle definitions for a single thread, image taken from [SBD\*13].

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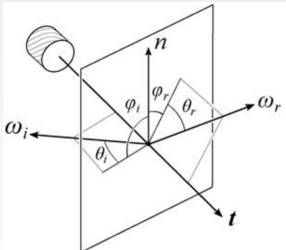
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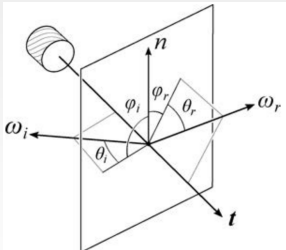
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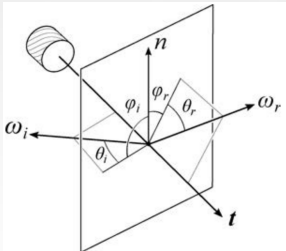
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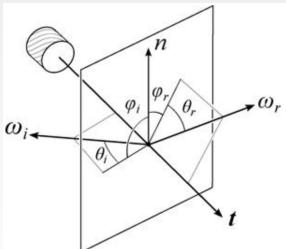
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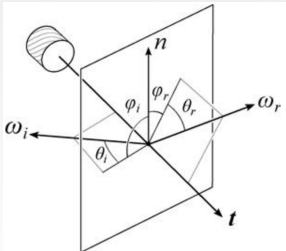
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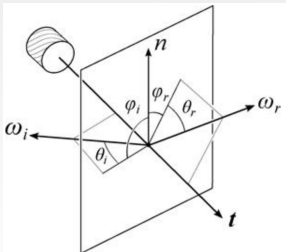
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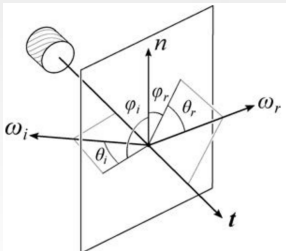


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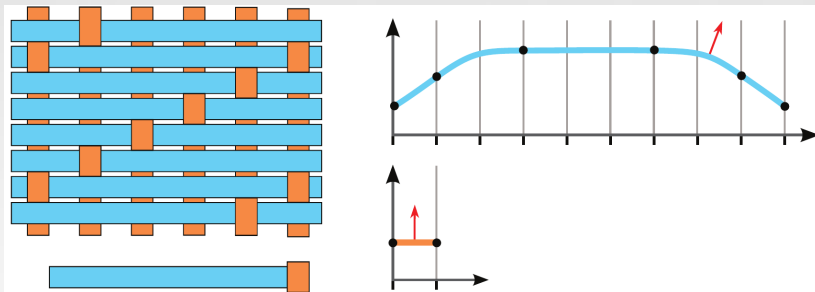


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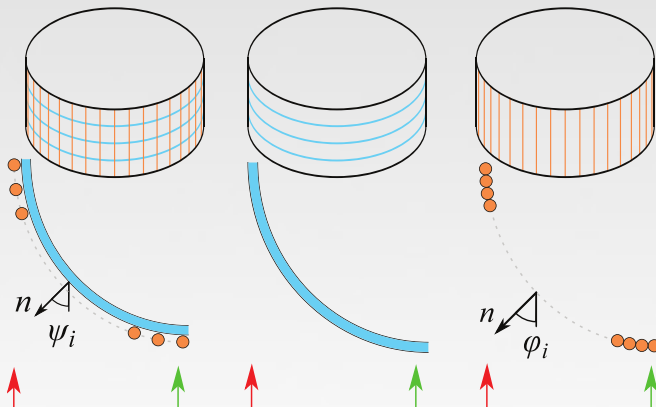
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Normal sampling, (top-left) cloth patch, (bottom-left) smallest cloth patch, (top-right) blue thread tangent curve, (bottom-right) red thread tangent curve, image taken from [SBD\*13].



Masking examples, Green arrow points view from above, red arrow points view at grazing angle, image taken from [SBD\*13].

$$L_r(\omega_r) = Q(t) \sum \int L_i(\omega_i) f(t, \omega_i, \omega_r) M(t) P(t) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i,$$

where  $f$  is the BRDF function,  $t$  is the thread direction,  $\omega_i$  is the ray incoming direction,  $\omega_r$  is the ray outgoing direction,  $\theta_i$  is the incoming ray angle,  $Q(t)$  is a normalization factor for samples and non watertight patches,  $M(t)$  is the masking term and  $P(t)$  is a view-projection normalization factor.

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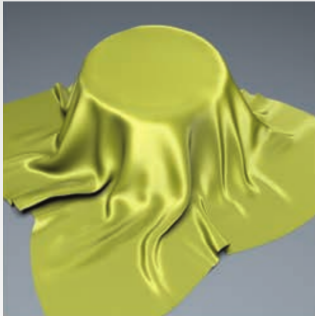
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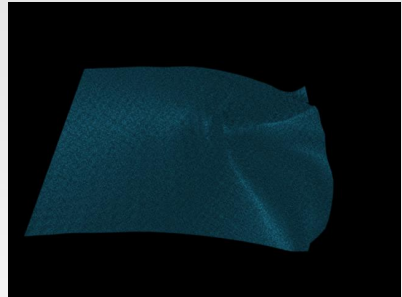
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Cloth render result from [SBD\*13].



Our cloth implementation in  
Maya<sup>®</sup> using MentalRay<sup>®</sup>.

- Limitations
  - Requires captured data
  - Difficult parametrization
- Future work
  - Implement full model
  - Importance sampling extensions by [MI] and [WXK]



# Thank you

## Questions?

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