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Assignment 4 - Raytracing

1.

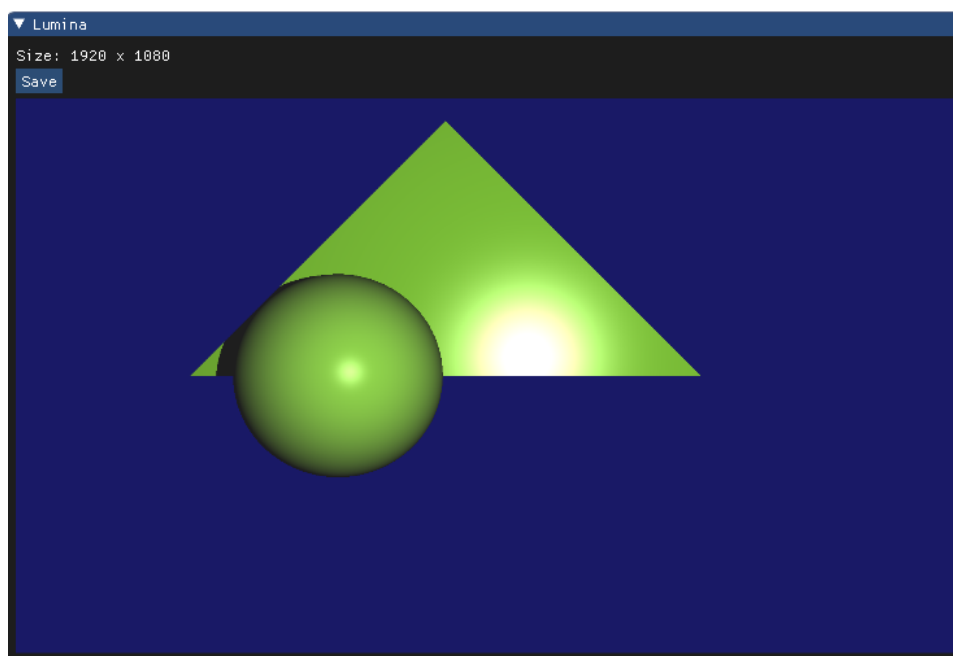
To implement a triangle, I extended the object class, hardcoded the vertex values of the triangle and for finding the ray intersections I used the **Möller–Trumbore ray-triangle intersection algorithm**. This algorithm is easy to implement since precomputation of the plane equation of the plane containing the triangle is not required.

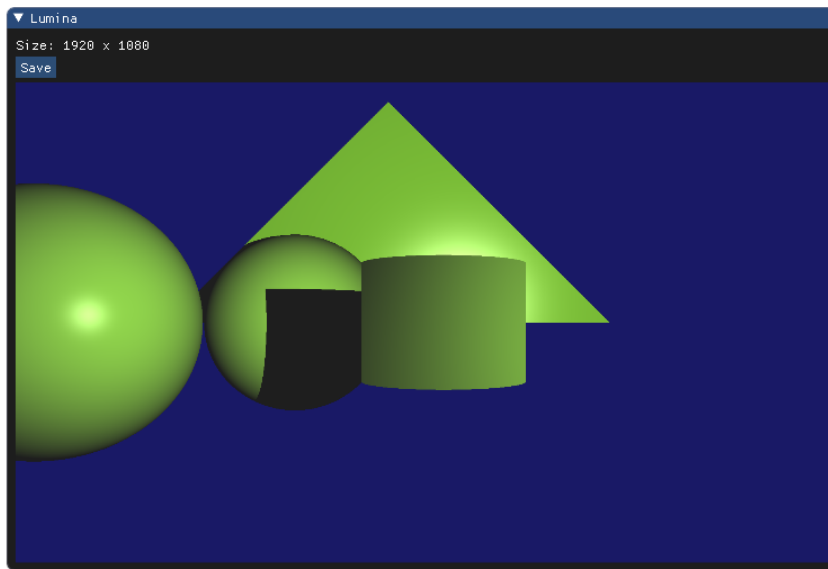
2.

I have implemented the blinn phong shading by adding a shade method in the respective shape.cpp files (rather than using material.cpp). This method required passing the world class as a parameter. Inside the shade method I am calling the array of light sources, and calculating light direction using those values ($\text{Vector3D lightdir} = \text{rayvec.getPosition()} - \text{I->getPosition()}$). Then I have calculated the ray direction and normal for every shape, and have used the halfway vector method to calculate the diffused and specular shading.

3. I have implemented the shadows in the world.cpp file. Here I check if the ray hits the object then there is iterating over the light source array, then the shadow ray is evaluated. If the ray hits the object then the k_a of the material is involved in the final answer otherwise the normal diffused shading is shown.

(1,2,3 combined image)





4.

For the reflected and dielectric part, I have made the changes in world.cpp.

For reflected the formula used is:

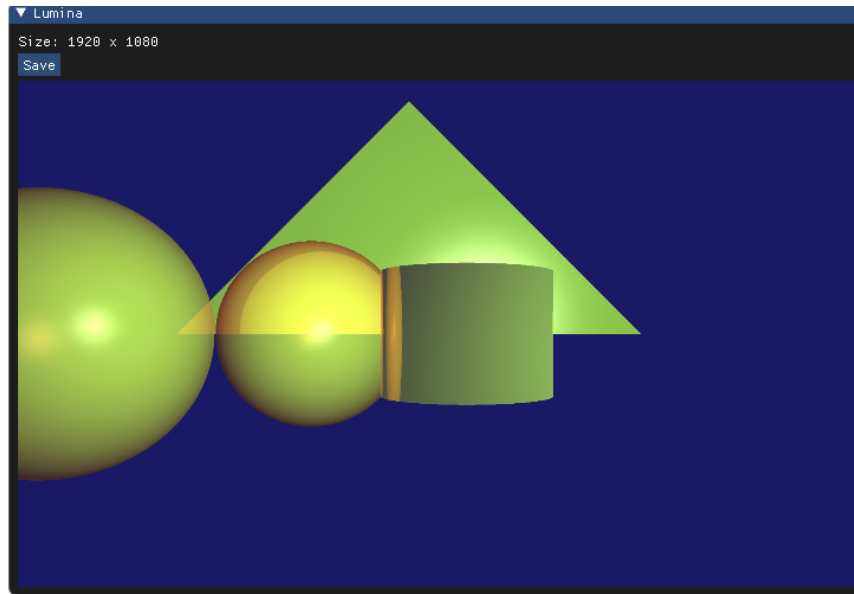
- Mirror reflections can be added by shading reflected rays

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{d} - 2(\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{n})\mathbf{n}$$

For dielectric the formula used is:

- Solving for \mathbf{t} :

$$\mathbf{t} = \frac{n(\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{n}))}{n_t} - \mathbf{n} \sqrt{1 - \frac{n^2(1 - (\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{n})^2)}{n_t^2}}$$



Bonus

5.

I have used a similar method as in sphere.cpp to implement a cylinder. There was a minor variation in the normal calculation in order to consider the height of the shape. Along with a cylinder I implemented another sphere to show the reflecting component. (Image of cylinder is include above)