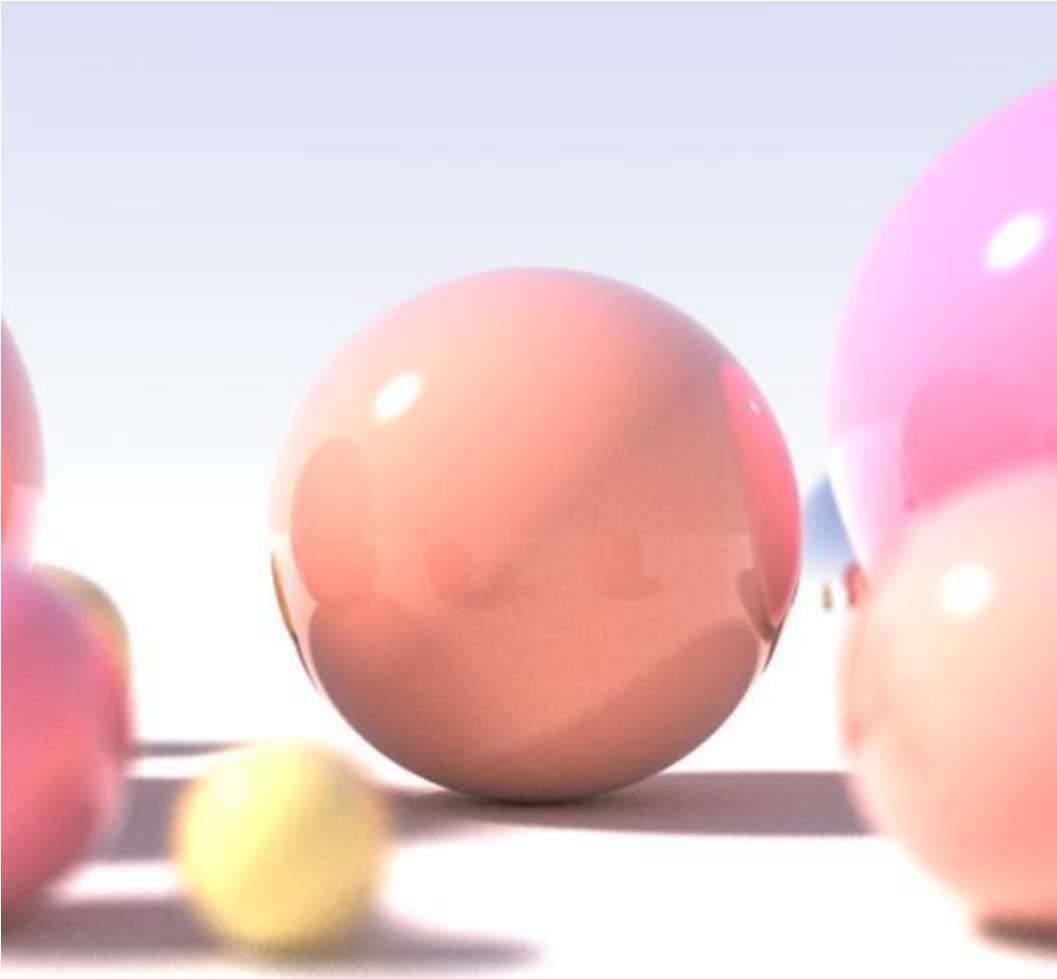


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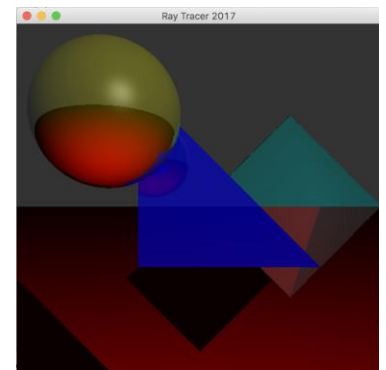
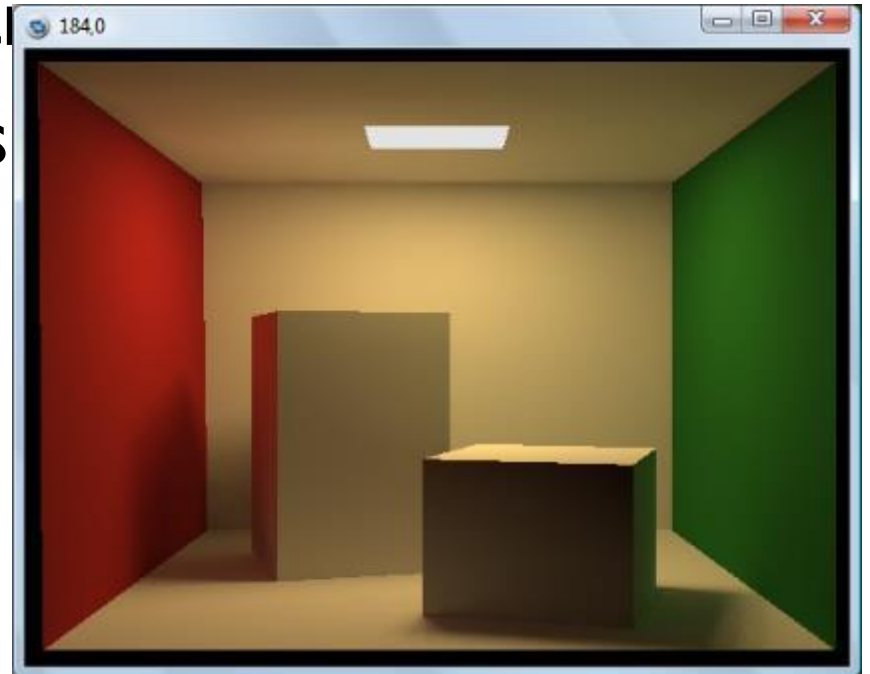


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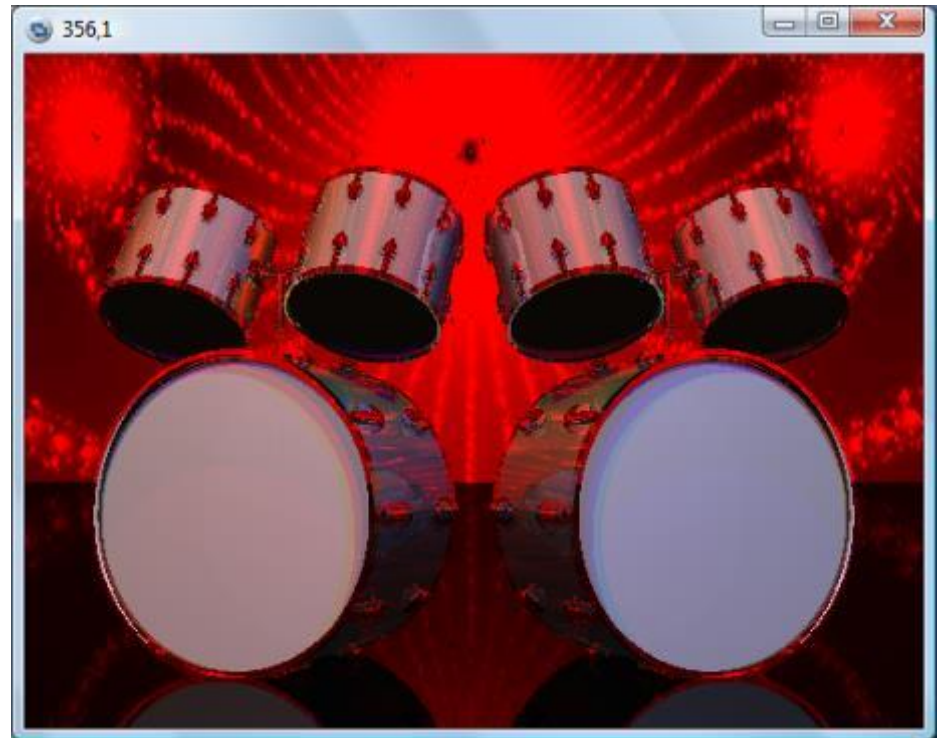
- Limitations of the local illumination model
- Introduction
- The recursive trace
- Some examples
- Links



Limitations of local illumination

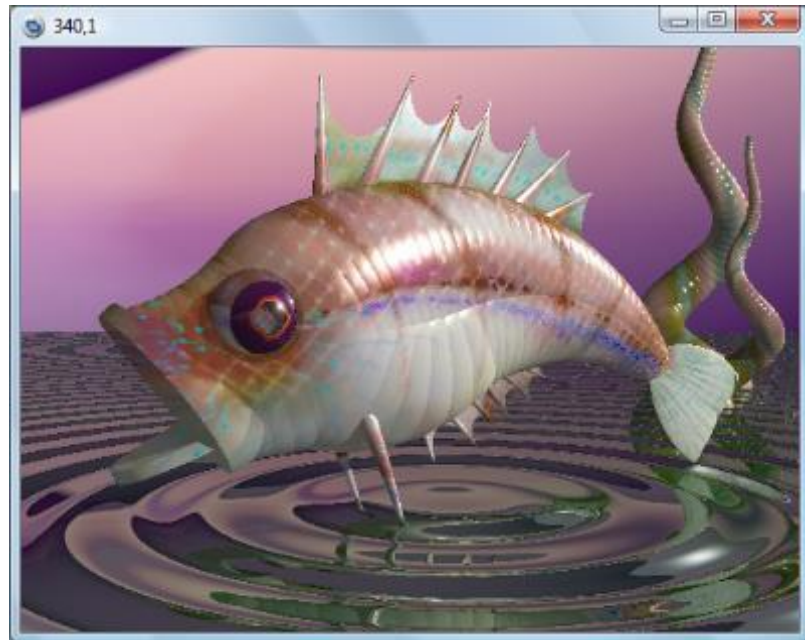
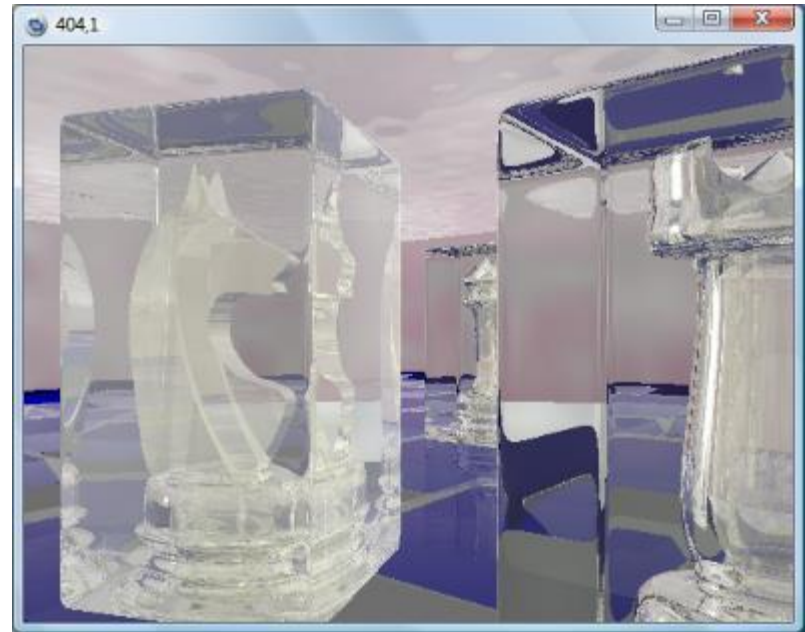
● The local illumination model cannot handle:

- Shadows
- Reflection
- Refraction



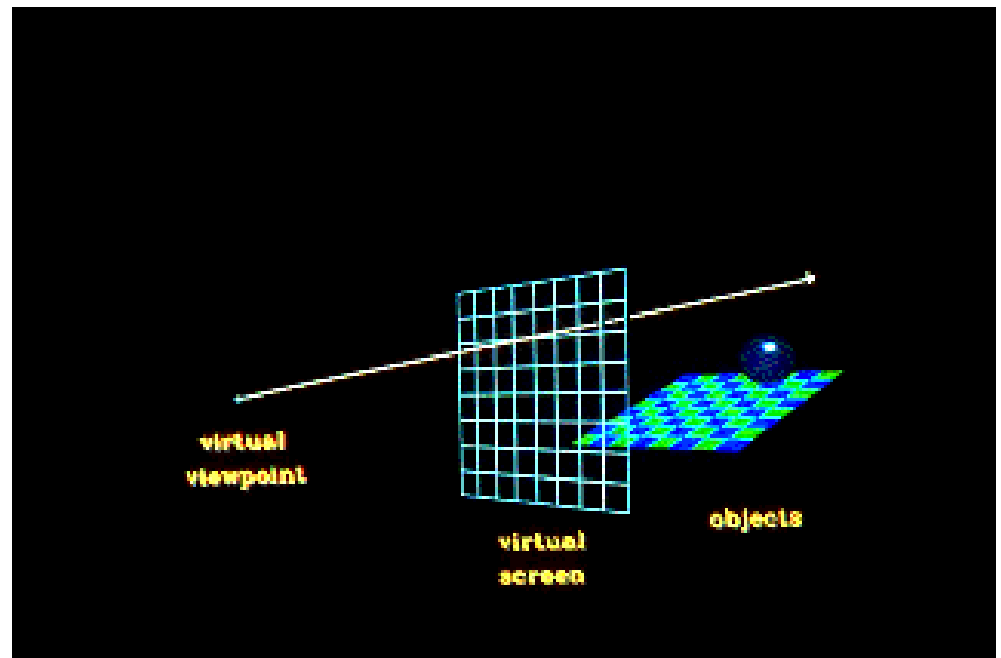
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- In real life, photons originate at the light sources, bounce off objects and, finally, reach the observer's eye.
- The Ray-Tracing starts at the observer's eye, is projected through the surface and, possibly, hits objects.



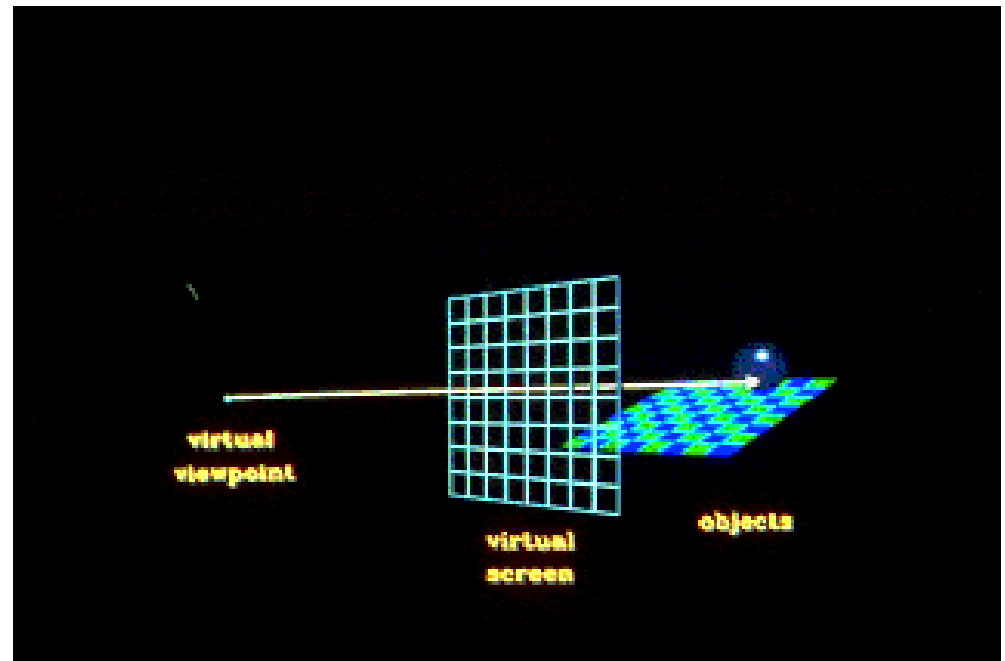
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- Some rays do not intersect objects
- \Rightarrow they take the background color



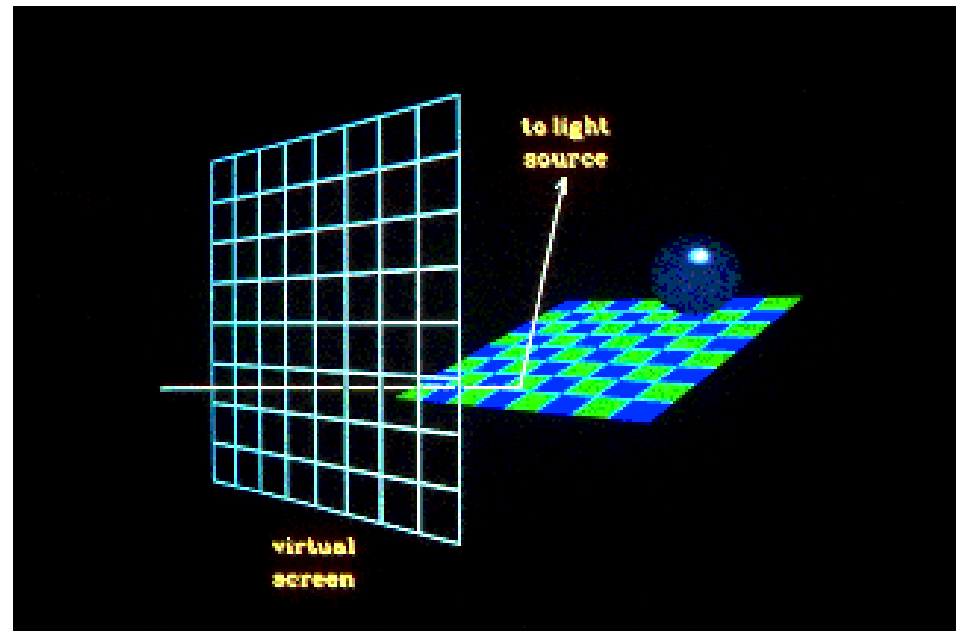
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- Other rays do hit objects.
- In this case, the local illumination model is used to calculate the color of the pixel.



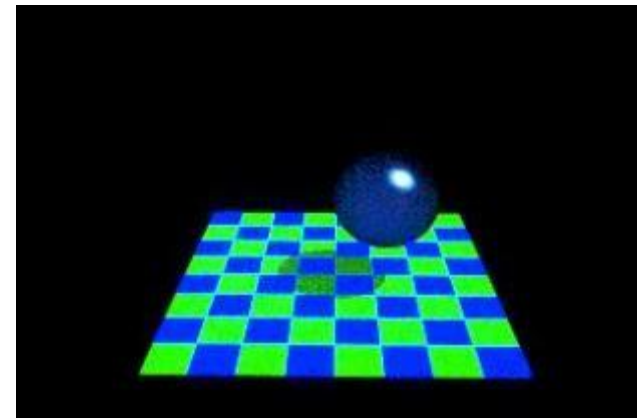
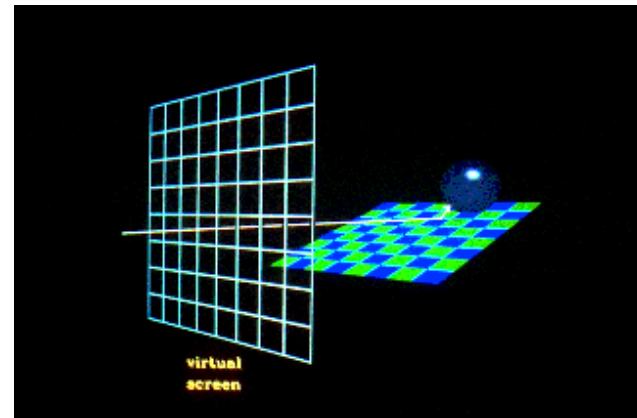
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- If the ray hits an object, we want to know if it is in the shadow of another object, with respect to a source of light.



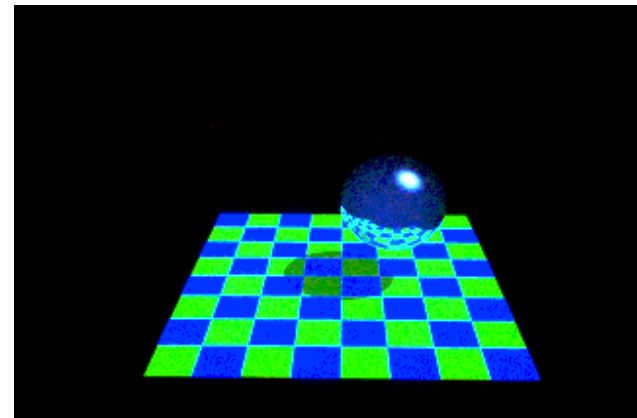
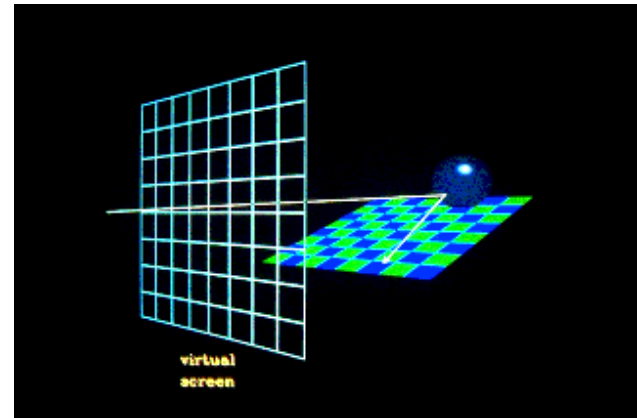
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- If the object is in shadow, only ambient light is applied
- Looks like this:



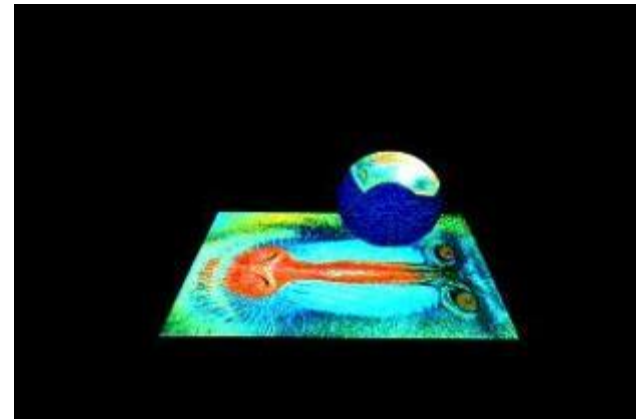
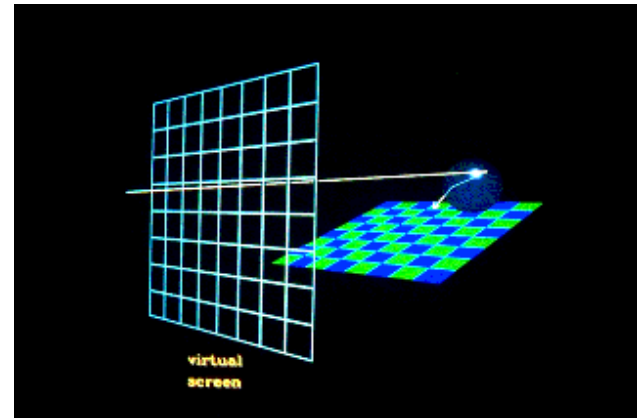
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- If the object reflects light, a new “reflection” ray is casted and will pick up the color of some other object.
- Looks like this:



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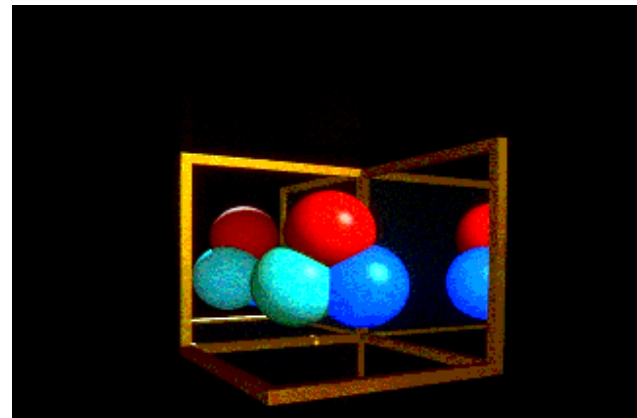
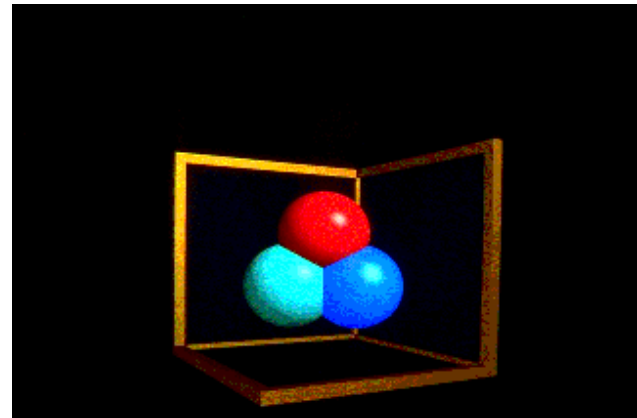
- If the object is transparent, a new “transmission” ray is casted.
- Looks like this.



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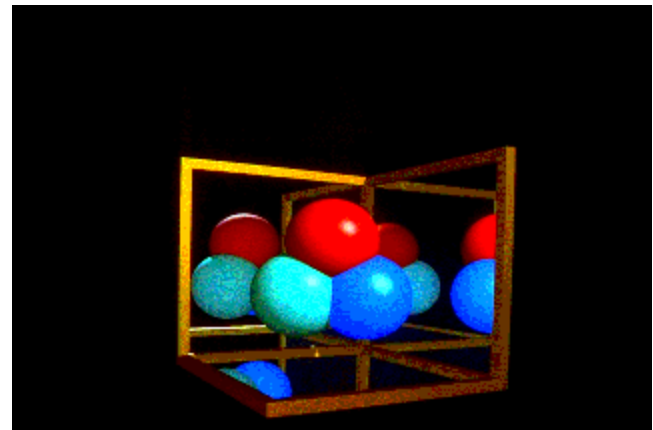
- Limiting the depth of the tree has impact on the result:

- 1
- 2
- ...



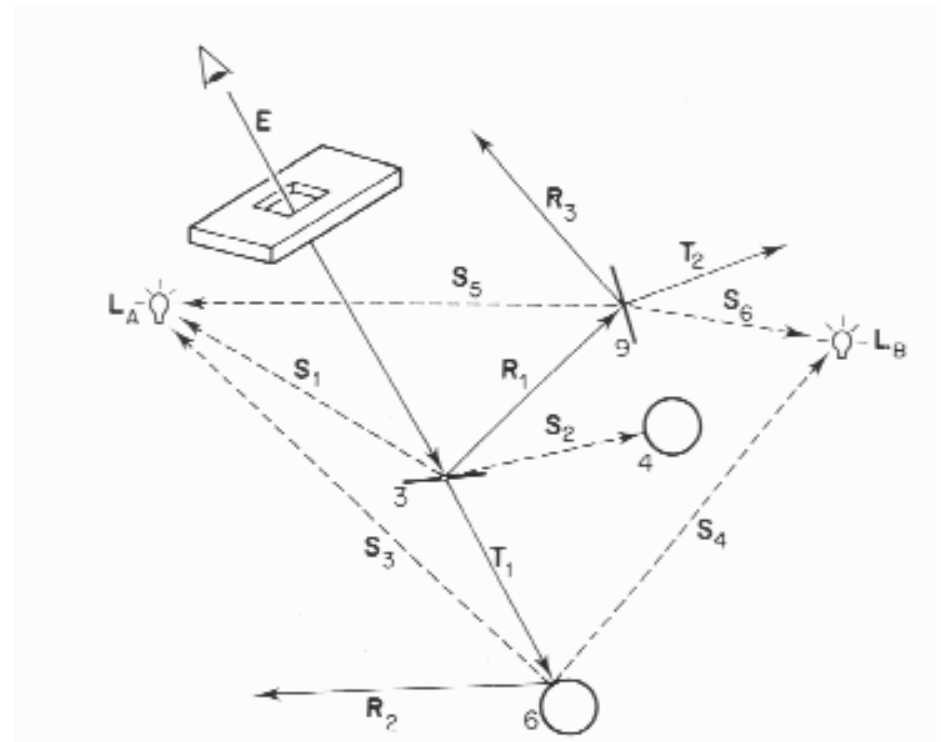
Introduction

● Or more



Recursive Tree

- Rays can be organized in a tree, as follows:
- R: Reflections
- T: Transparencies
- S: Lights or shadows



The recursive Tree

- In an abstract tree:

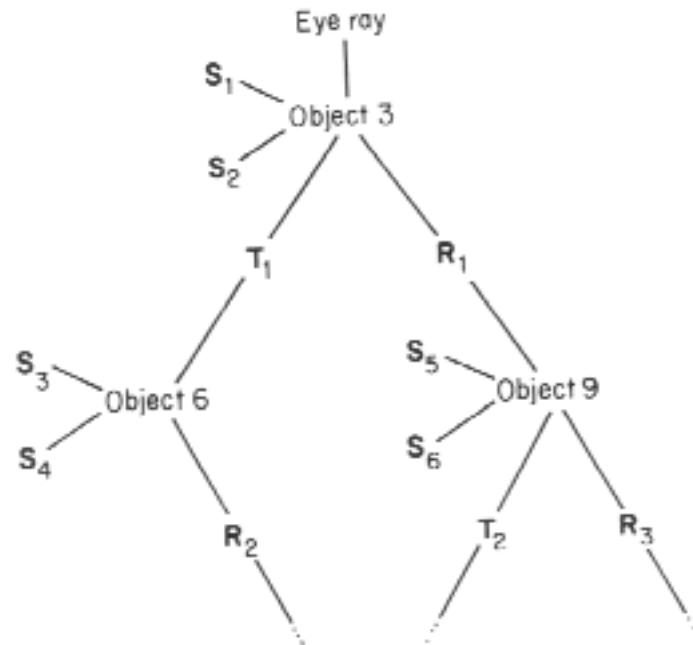


Fig. 12. The ray tree in schematic form.

How to compute the rays?

- Includes the following:

- Parametric equations from the eye to the scene, passing through each pixel in the scene
- Intersections
 - Ray - plane
 - Ray - sphere
 - Ray - polygon
 - Ray ...
- Reflection: incoming angle = reflection angle
- Refraction: Snell's law.
- More on these tomorrow.

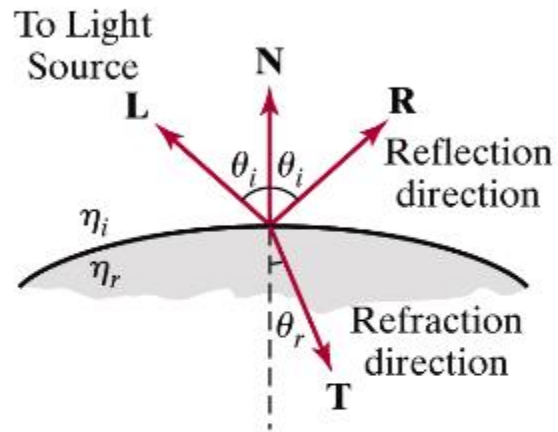


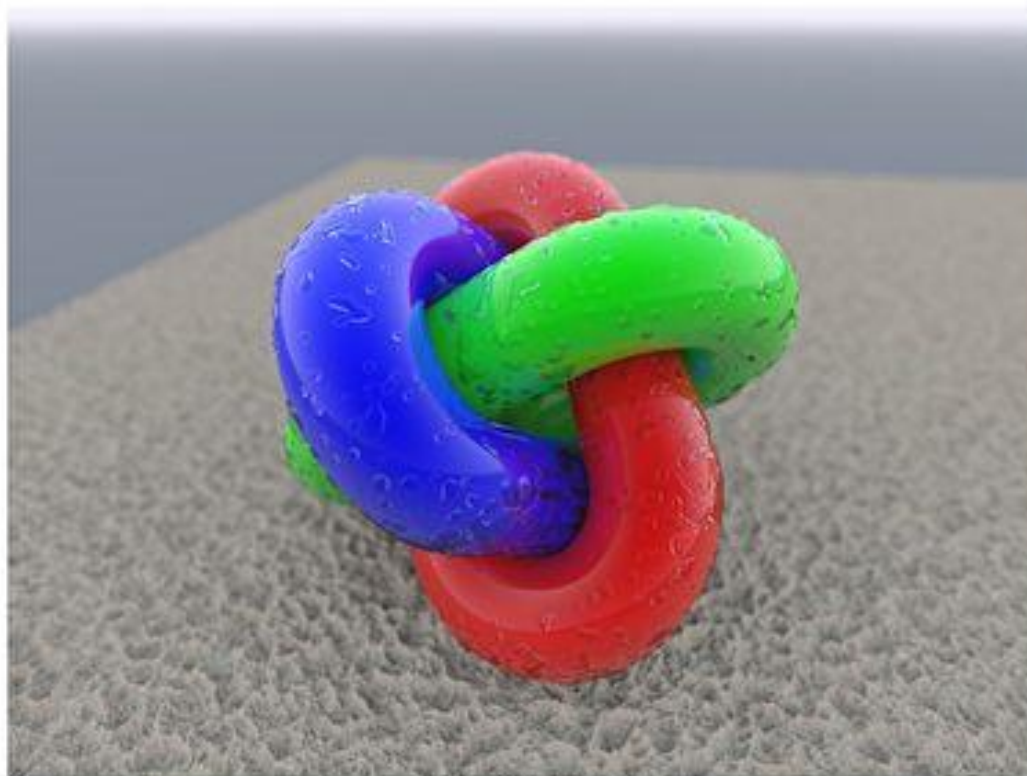
Figure 10-30

Reflection direction \mathbf{R} and refraction (transmission) direction \mathbf{T} for a ray of light incident upon a surface with index of refraction η_r .

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- Reading: Hearn&Baker, section 10-11.

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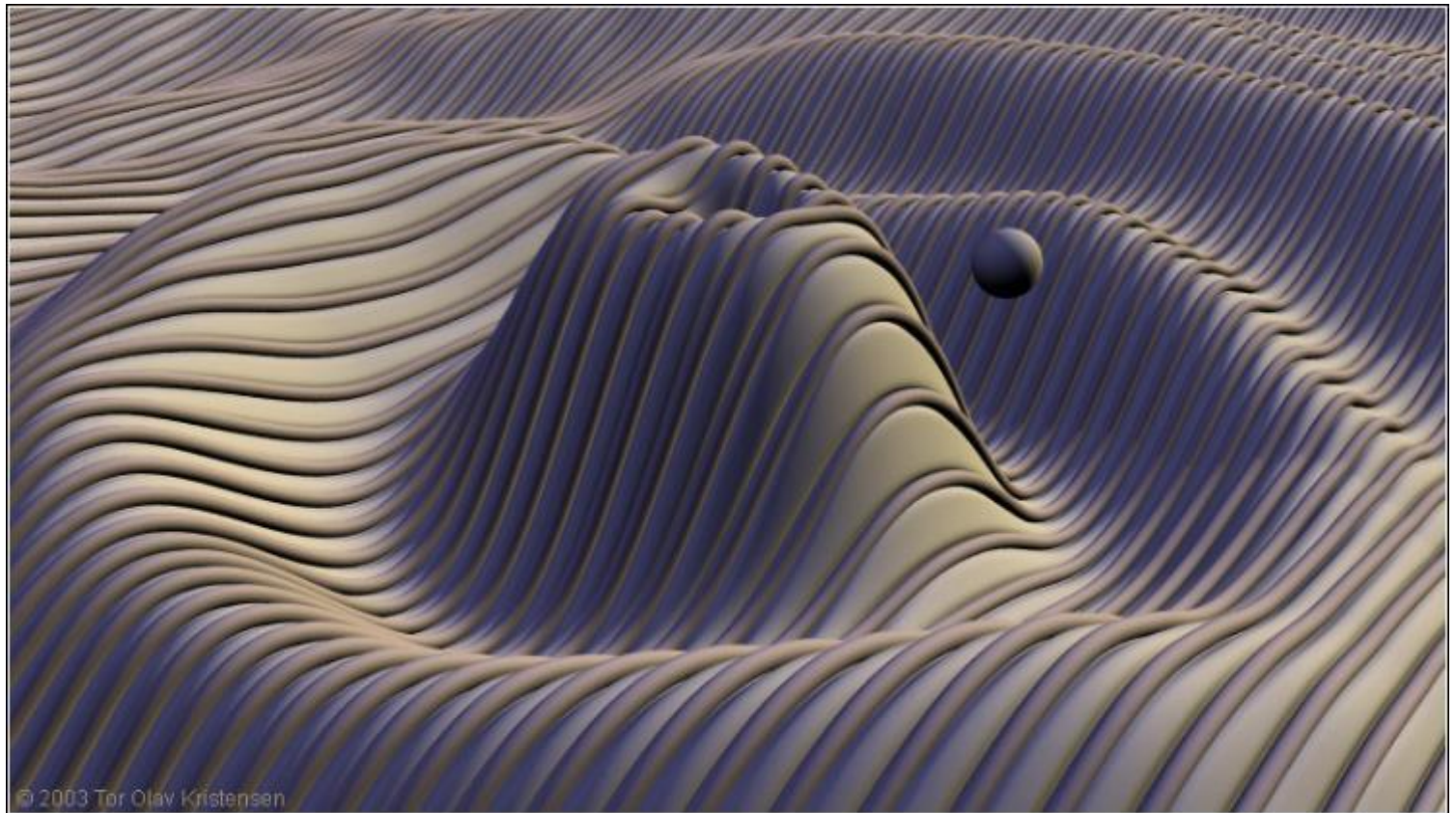
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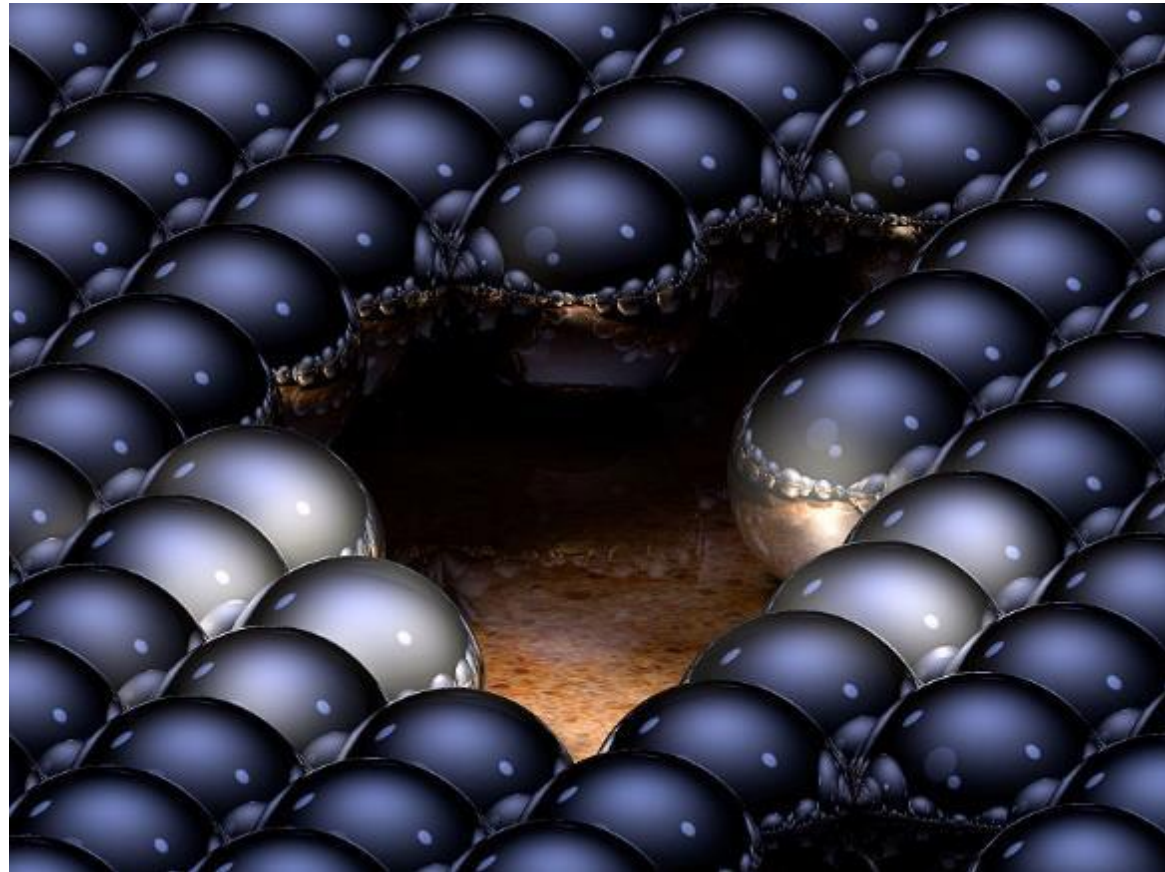


Ray Tracing images from Wikipedia



● Explanation: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Glasses_800_edit.png

Ray Tracing images from Wikipedia



● Explanation: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Ray-traced_steel_balls.jpg

Images created with PovRay

- Your images next...

Reto

- Instalar el POV Ray Tracer
- Partir del siguiente código de POV-Ray y modificar la escena

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#include "colors.inc"

sphere {
    <0,0,0>, 1
    pigment { Green }
}

light_source {
    <10, 10, -10>
    color white
}

camera {
    location <0, 0, -10>
    look_at <0, 0, 0>
}
```



http://www.povray.org/documentation/3.7.0/t2_3.html#t2_3_5_3