

Phong Reflection Model

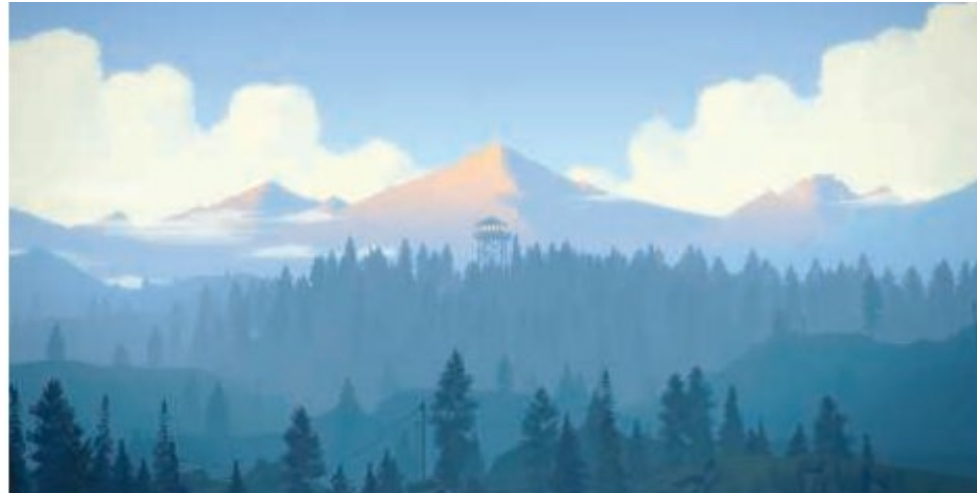


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Shading

The first step in determining the appearance of a rendered object is to choose a ***shading model*** to describe how the object's color should vary based on factors such as surface orientation, view direction, and lighting.

Akenine-Moeller, Tomas; Haines, Eric; Hoffman, Naty. ***Real-Time Rendering***, Fourth Edition



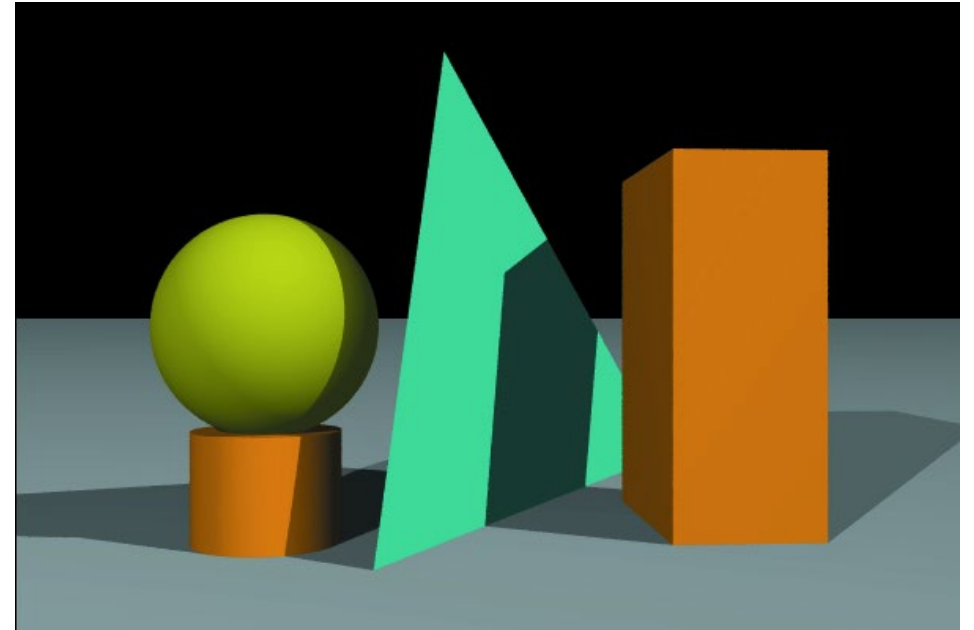
Phong Reflection

We model three types of light reflected by surfaces:

- Ambient (light that has bounced around a scene...environmental light)
- Specular (light reflected in a mirror-like fashion at surface)
- Diffuse (light scattered uniformly in all directions)

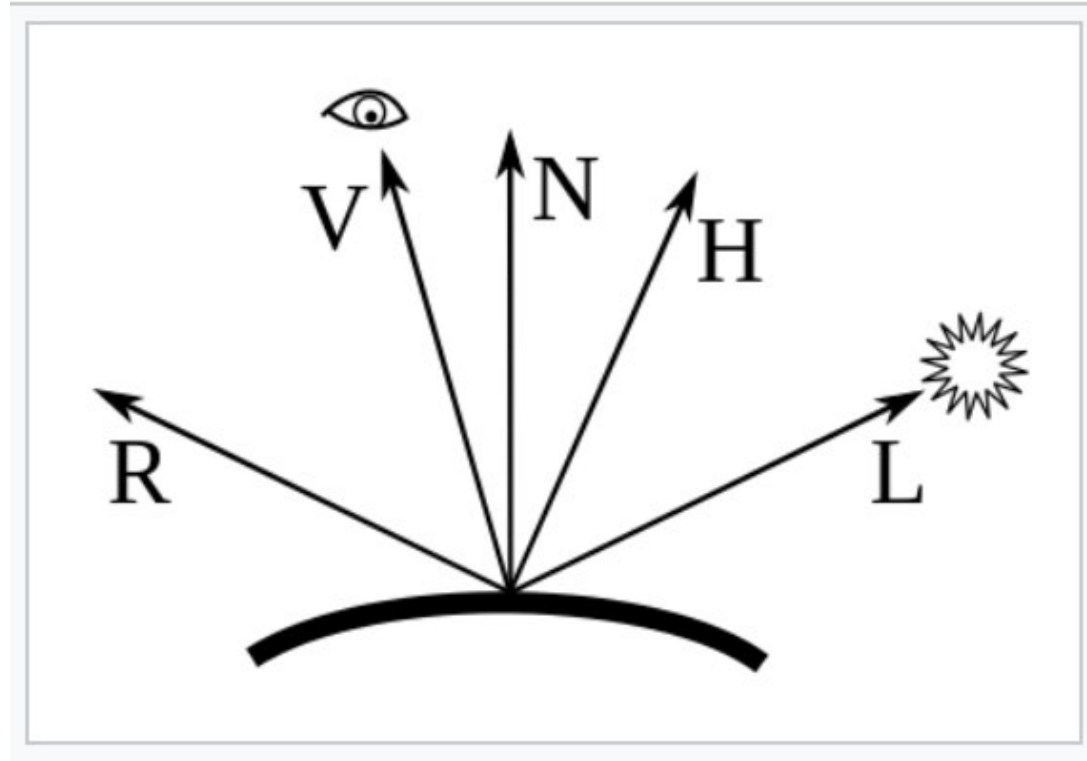
Here we can see diffuse reflection and maybe ambient.

How many lights are in the scene?



$$I_p = k_a i_a + \sum_{m \in \text{lights}} (k_d (\hat{L}_m \cdot \hat{N}) i_{m,d} + k_s (\hat{R}_m \cdot \hat{V})^\alpha i_{m,s})$$

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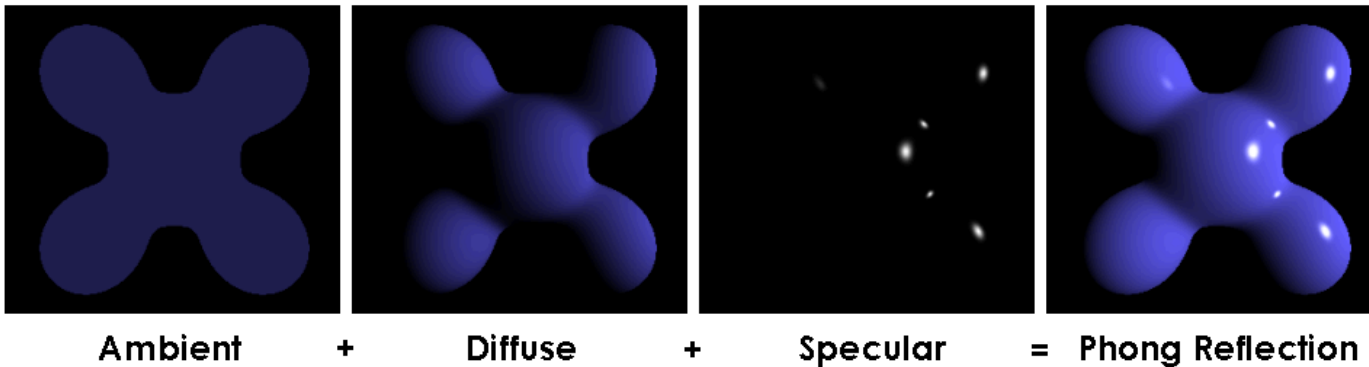
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Ambient Light

- Result of multiple interactions between light sources and surfaces
- Amount and color depend on the color of the light(s) and the material properties
- Add $k_a I_a$ to diffuse and specular terms

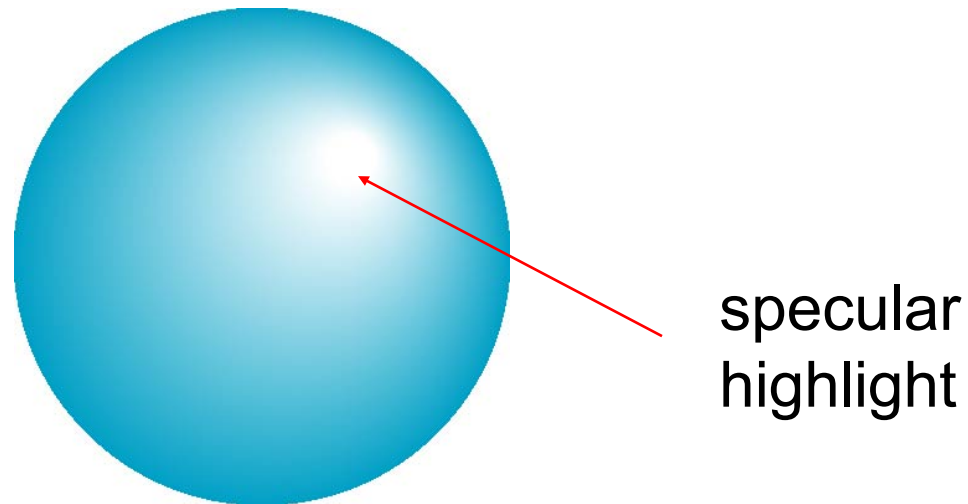
reflection ← intensity of ambient light

Remember that k_i multiplications are component-wise multiplications of rgb values
 $(k_r, k_g, k_b)(i_r, i_g, i_b) = (k_r i_r, k_g i_g, k_b i_b)$



Specular and Diffuse Surfaces

- Most surfaces are neither ideal diffusers nor perfectly specular (ideal reflectors)
- Smooth surfaces show specular highlights
 - incoming light is reflected in directions concentrated close to the direction of a perfect reflection

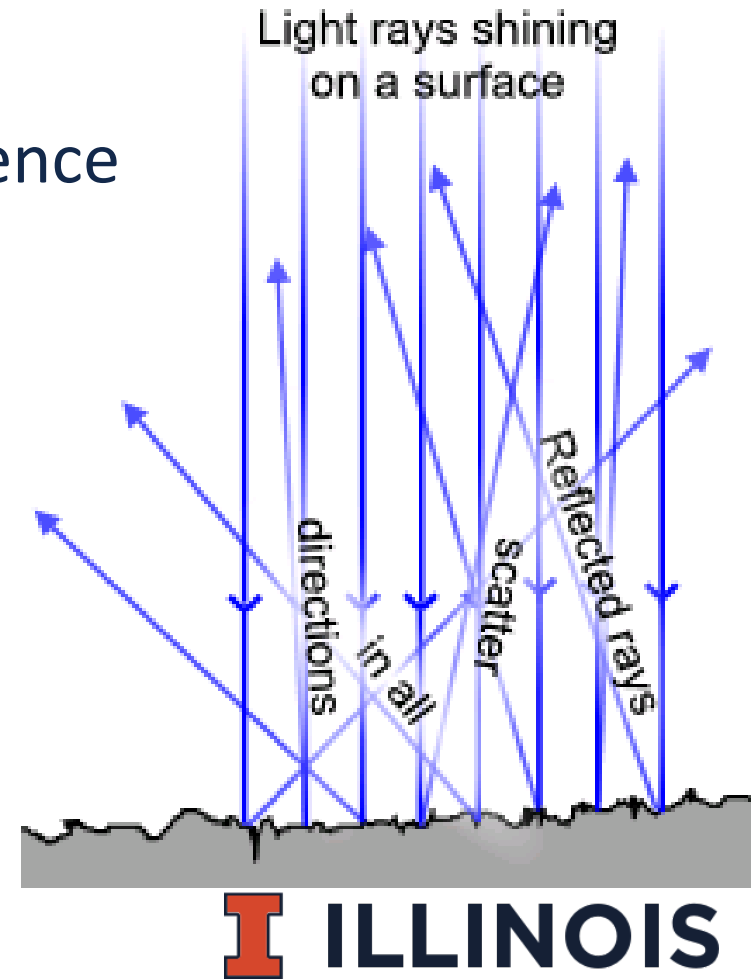


Modeling Diffuse Reflection

- Perfectly diffuse reflector
- Light scattered equally in all directions
- Amount of light reflected is affected by the angle of incidence
 - reflected light proportional to **cosine of angle between l and n**
 - if vectors normalized

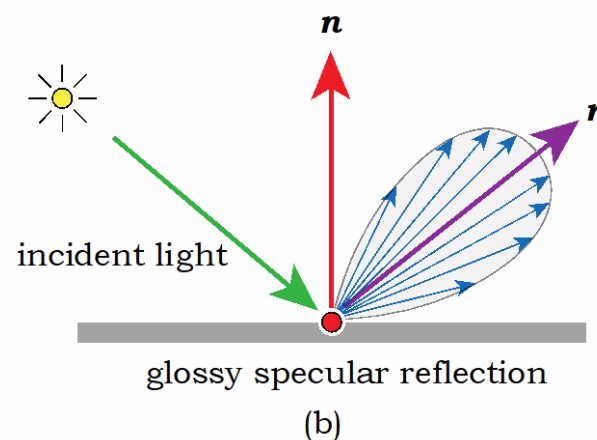
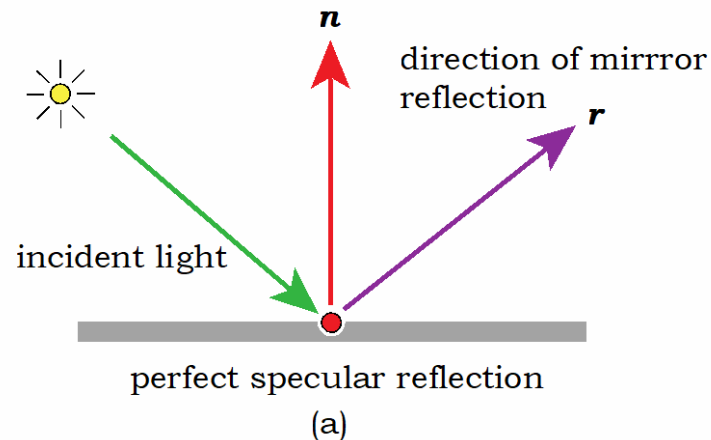
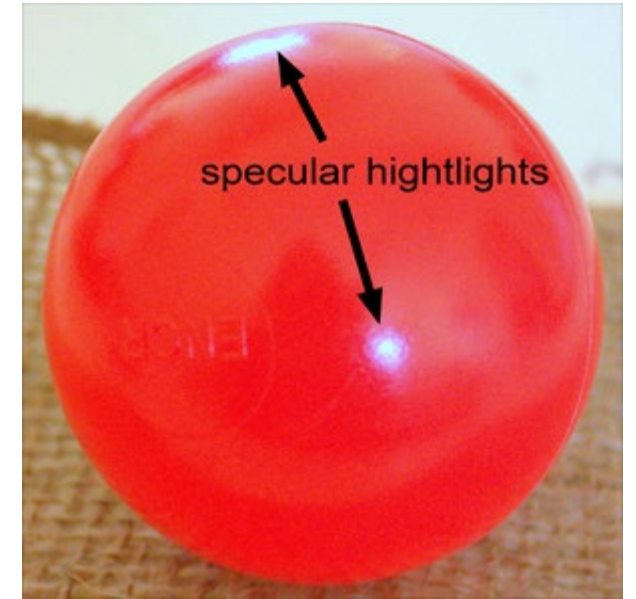
$$\cos(\theta) = n \cdot l$$

- Amount of reflected light also affected by k_d and i_d
 - Each is an rgb value with each channel in $[0,1]$



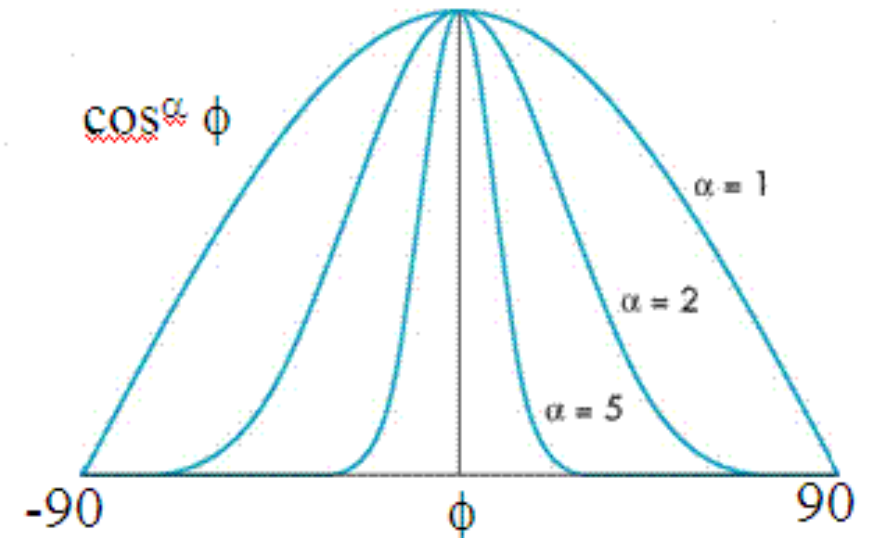
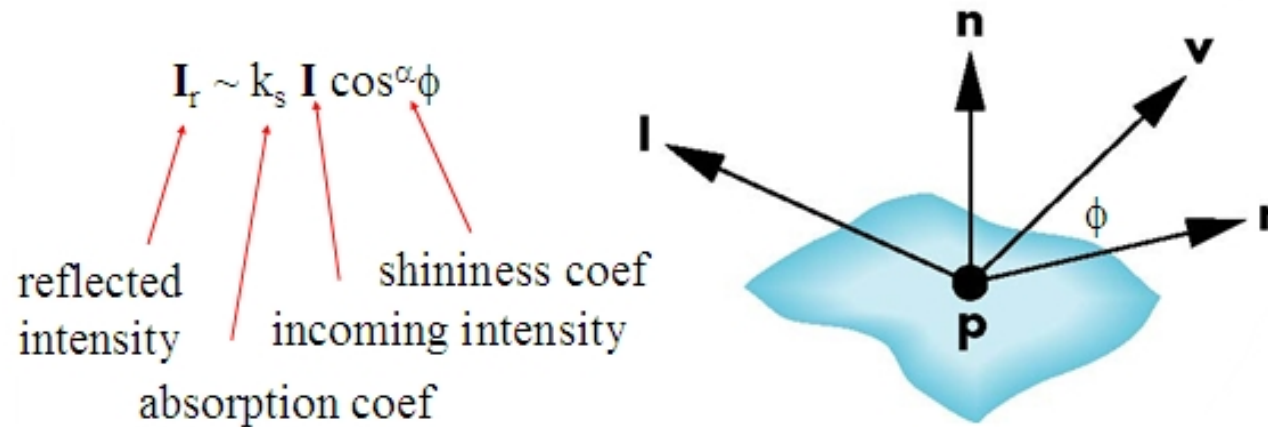
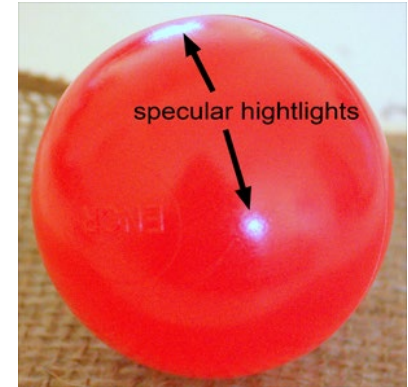
Specular Reflection

- Perfect specular reflection
 - Light is reflected in the single direction r
 - ...the mirror reflection direction
- Glossy specular reflection
 - Scattering clustered around mirror reflection direction

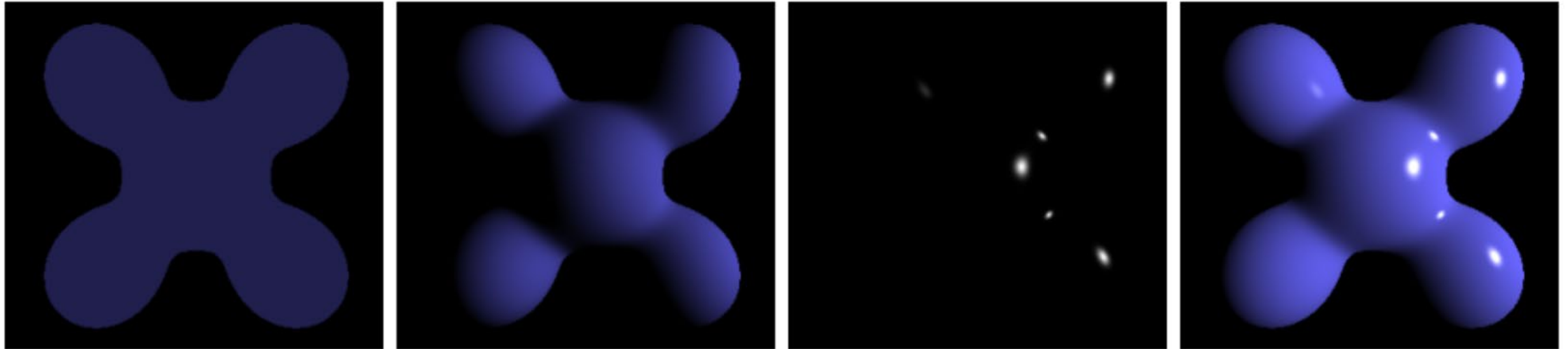


Specular Reflection

- Reflectance determined by
 - Alignment of view vector with mirror reflection vector
 - Shininess coefficient
- High coefficient means smoother look
 - Maybe 100 for metal
 - Maybe 10 for plastic



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Ambient

+

Diffuse

+

Specular

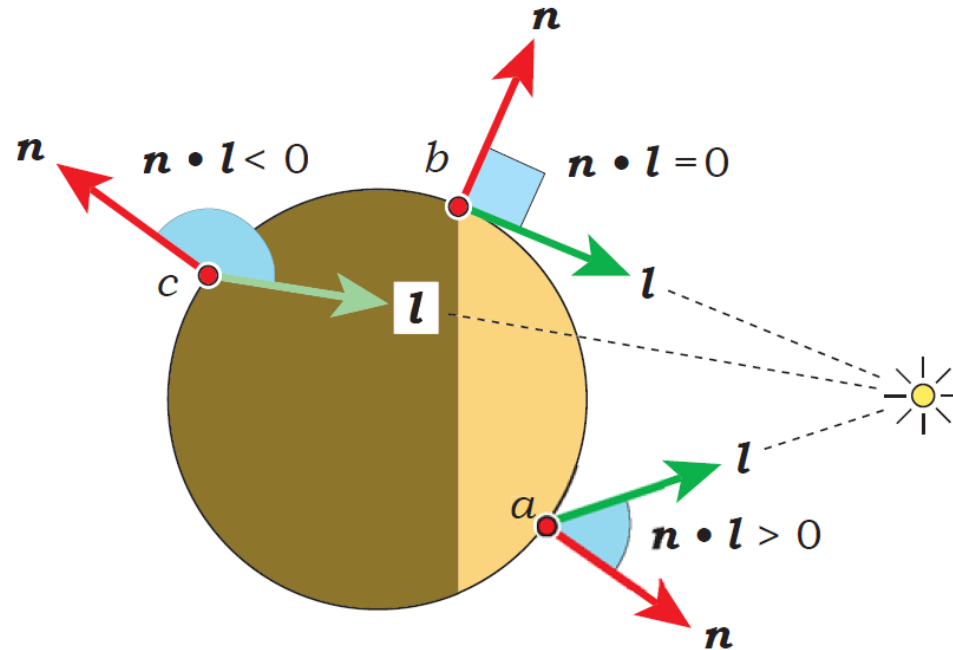
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Shading vs. Shadows

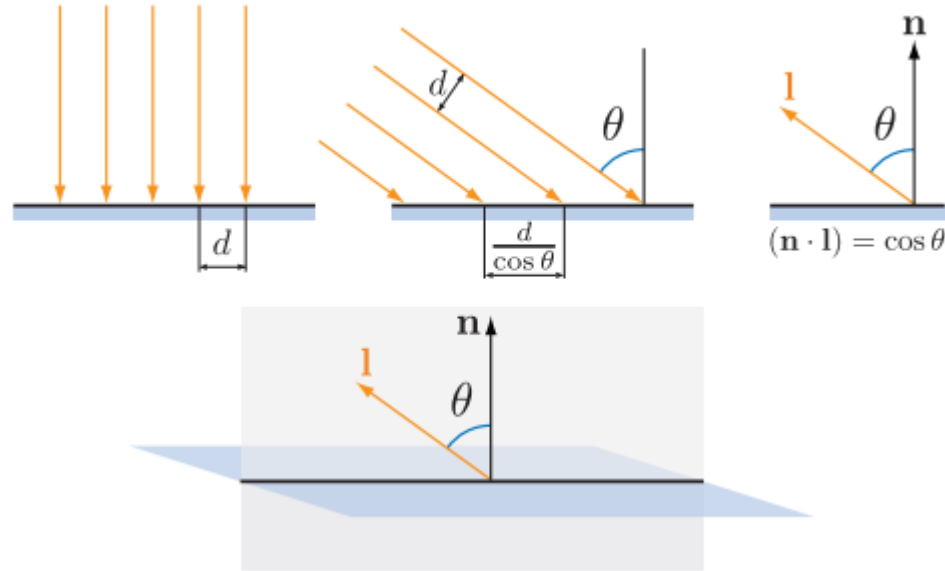
You should clamp negative cosine values to zero



The darkness on the far side of the sphere is from the shading...NOT shadows...

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Diffuse Reflection aka Lambertian Reflection



Model published by Johann
Heinrich Lambert in 1760.