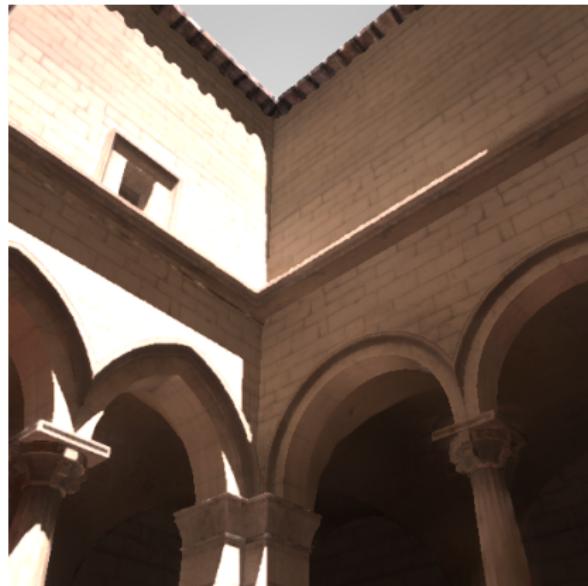
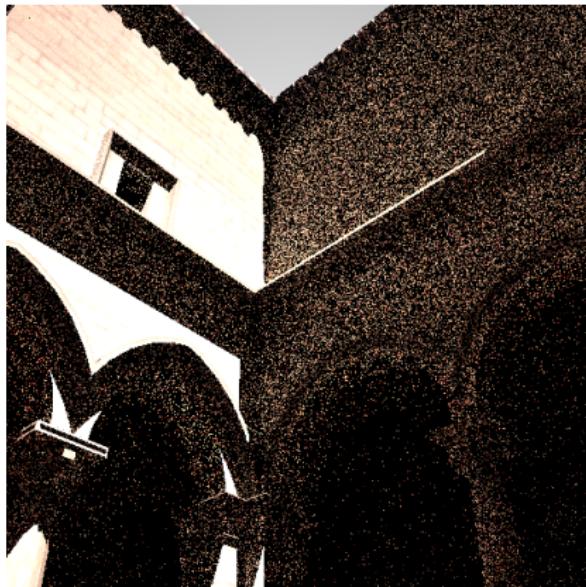


## Edge-Avoiding À-Trous Wavelet Transform for fast Global Illumination Filtering

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# Interactive Global Illumination

## Full Monte Carlo simulation

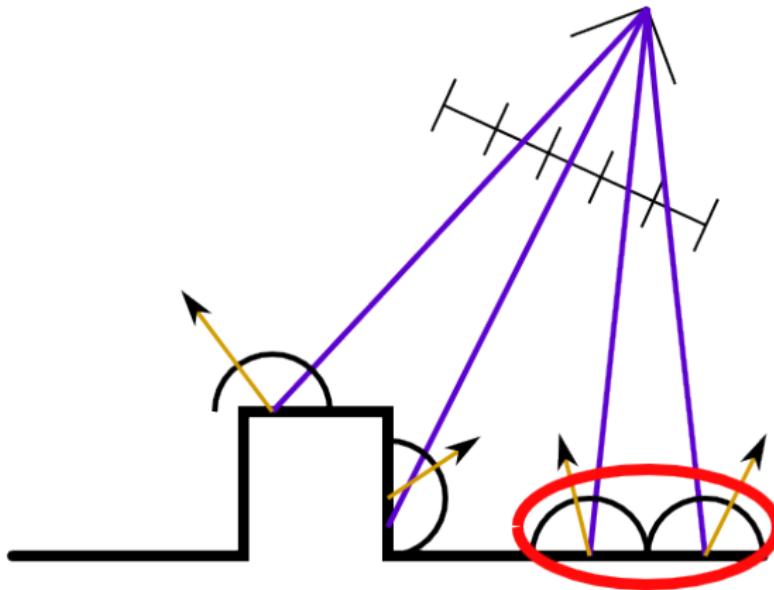
- ▶ can simulate all lighting simulations
- ▶ hours to converge
- ▶ few samples result in noisy images

## Filtering of Monte Carlo Samples

- ▶ independent of sample generation
- ▶ large filter radius
- ▶ respect (visible) edges
- ▶ small overhead

## Motivation for Filtering Monte Carlo Samples

$$L(x, \omega_o) = L_e(x, \omega_o) + \int_{\Omega_x} f_r(x, \omega_i, \omega_o) L_i(x, \omega_i) d\omega_i$$



## Related Work

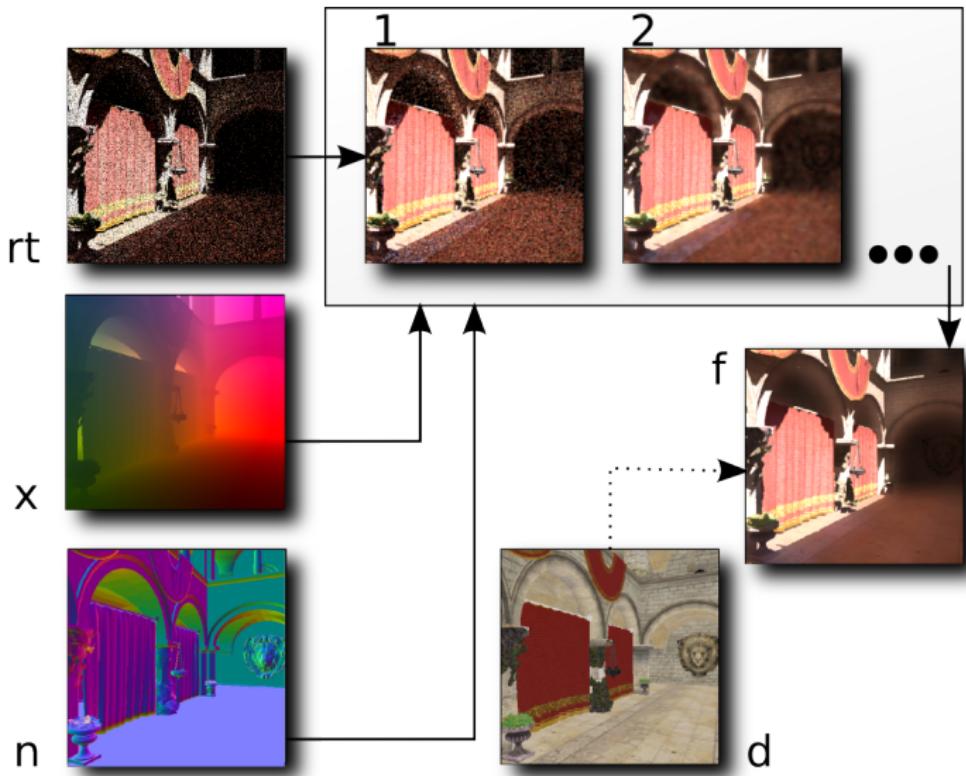
### Edge-Avoiding Wavelets and the Bilateral Filter

- ▶ Edge Avoiding Wavelets: R. Fattal, 2009
- ▶ Discontinuity Buffer: A. Keller, 1998
- ▶ Multiscale shape and detail enhancement from multi-light image collections:  
R. Fattal, M. Agrawala, S. Rusinkiewicz, 2007

### Interactive Global Illumination

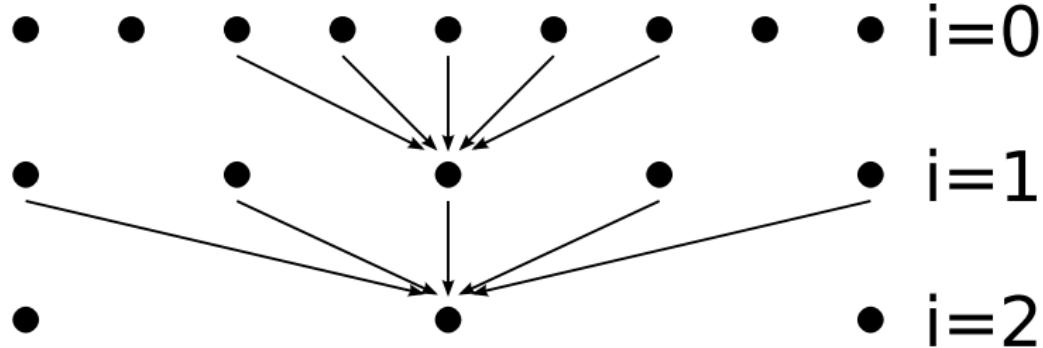
- ▶ Precomputed Radiance Transfer, Meshless Radiosity
- ▶ Photon Mapping
- ▶ Instant Radiosity

# Overview



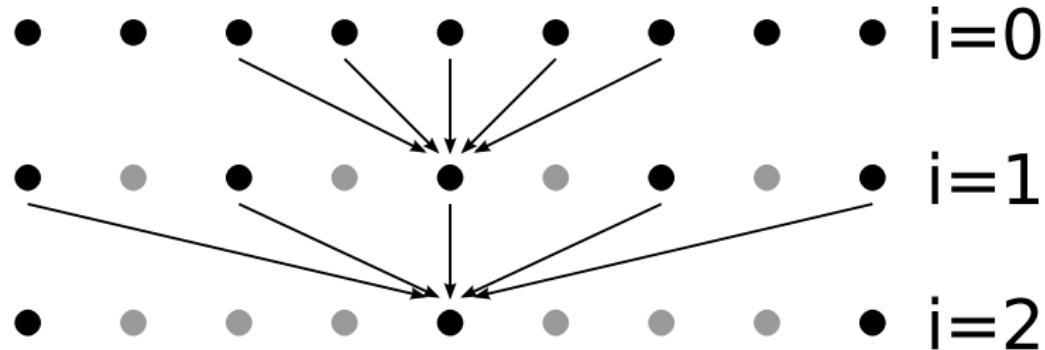
## Decimated Wavelets

- ▶ Reduce coarse coefficients
- ▶ At each Iteration
  - ▶ Half the resolution
  - ▶ and average signal



# A-Trous Wavelet

- ▶ With Holes
- ▶ At each Iteration
  - ▶ double the filter size
  - ▶ by skipping more values each time



- ▶ Benefits:
  - ▶ constant effort per iteration (in contrast to undecimated wavelets)
  - ▶ filtered information at each pixel (in contrast to decimated wavelets)

# Algorithme A-Trous

## A-Trous Wavelet Transform

1. At level  $i = 0$  we start with the input signal  $c_0(p)$
2.  $c_{i+1}(p) = c_i(p) * h_i$ , where  $*$  is the discrete convolution. The distance between the entries in the filter  $h_i$  is  $2^i$ .
3.  $d_i(p) = c_i(p) - c_{i+1}(p)$ ,  
where  $d_i$  are the detail or wavelet coefficients of level  $i$ .
4. if  $i < N$  (number of levels to compute):  
increment  $i$ , go to step 2
5.  $\{d_0, d_1, \dots, d_{N-1}, c_N\}$  is the wavelet transform of  $c$ .

Reconstruction:

$$c = c_N + \sum_{i=N-1}^0 d_i$$

# Algorithme A-Trous

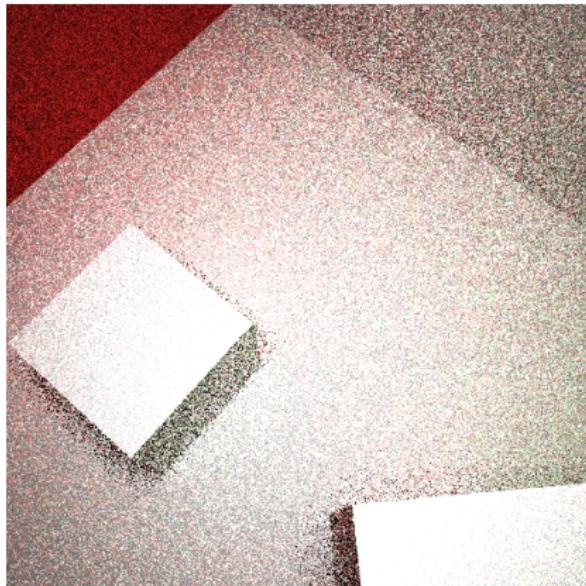
## A-Trous Wavelet Filter

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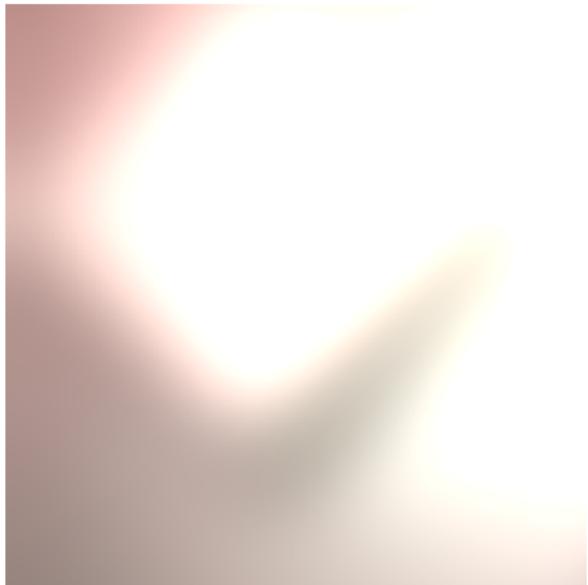
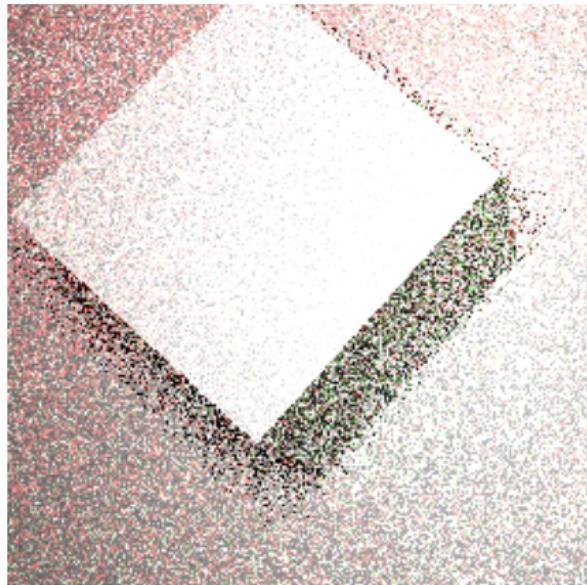
Filtered Result:

$$f = c_N$$

# A-Trous Filter



# A-Trous Filter



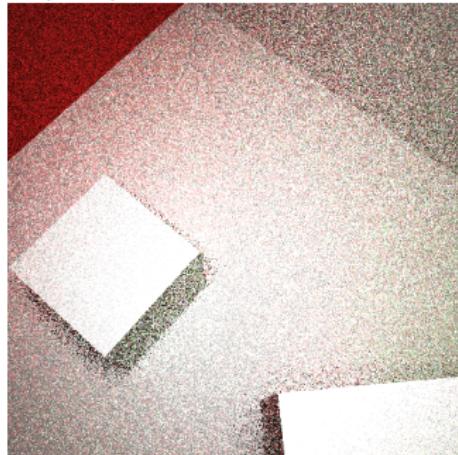
# Edge Stopping Function

Compute weighted convolution

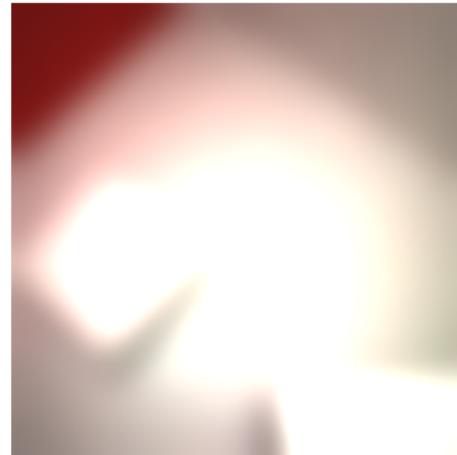
$$c_{i+1}(p) = \frac{\sum_{q \in \Omega} h_i(q) \cdot w(p, q) \cdot c_i(p)}{\sum_{q \in \Omega} h_i(q) \cdot w(p, q)}$$

with weights

$$w(p, q) = w_n \cdot w_x \cdot w_{rt}$$



rt



orig.  $\grave{A}$ -Trous

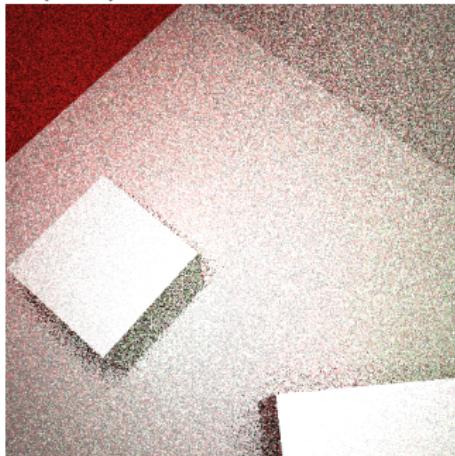
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$w_{rt}$

$$w_n(p, q) = e^{\left(-\frac{\|n_p - n_q\|}{\sigma_n^2}\right)}$$



$w_n$

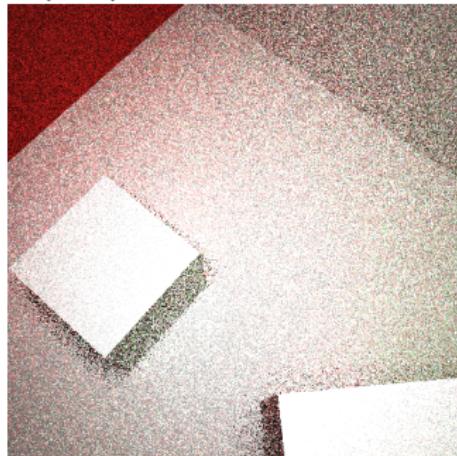
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$w_n \cdot w_x$

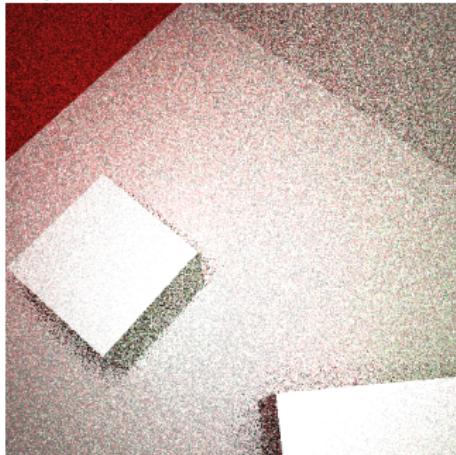
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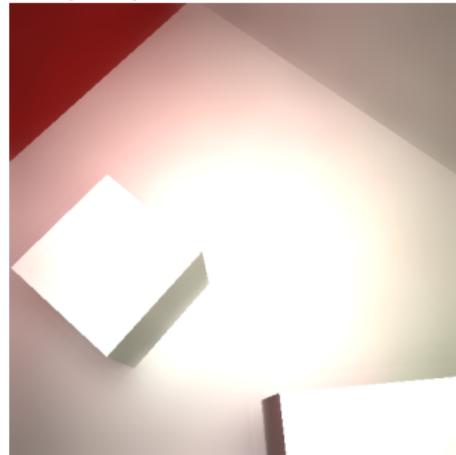
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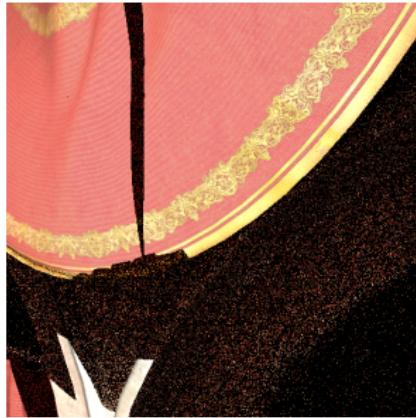
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$w_n \cdot w_x \cdot w_{rt}$

## Hard edges in the lighting



rt input



full edge stopping



without rt

- ▶ To work correctly needs low variance direct illumination
- ▶ Well chosen  $\sigma_{rt}$

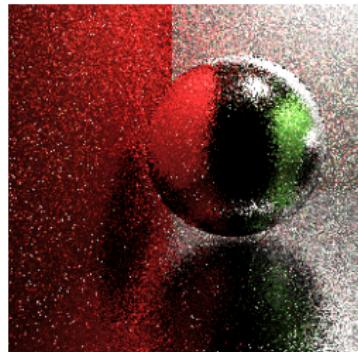
# Performance

## Timings (GTX285)

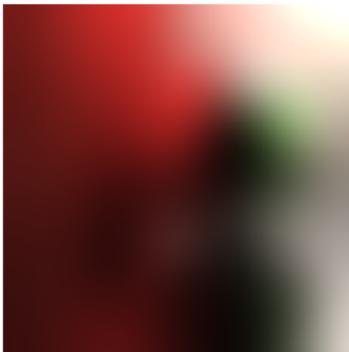
Scene	RT (ms)	GL (ms)	Upload (ms)	A-Trous (ms)	FPS
Box	307.6	2.9	5.8	5.6	3.2
Sponza	835.2	35.5	4.4	5.6	1.13

Res.	512 × 512			1024 × 1024			1920 × 1080		
# Iter	1	5	10	1	5	10	1	5	10
ms	1.2	5.6	11.0	4.2	20.9	41.6	8.2	42.6	86.0

## Comparison to CDF(2,2) Wavelet



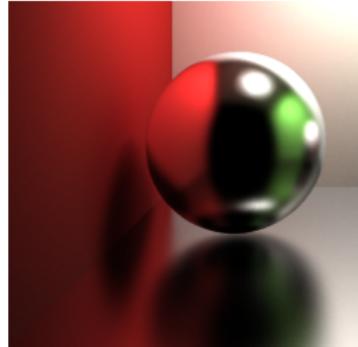
PT Input



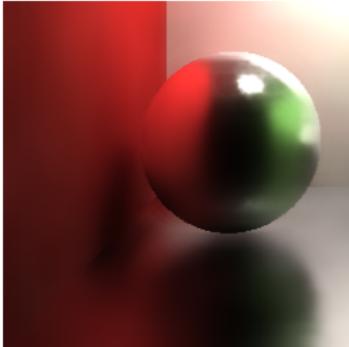
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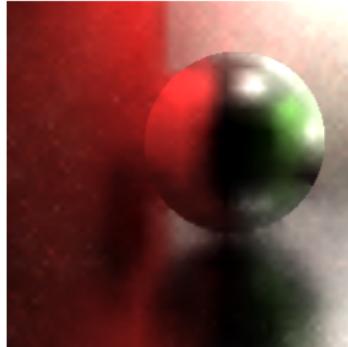
CDF(2,2)



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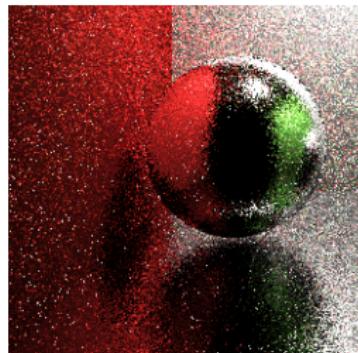


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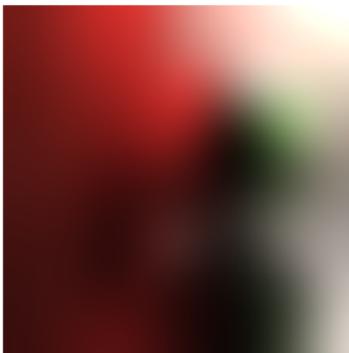


EAW CDF(2,2)

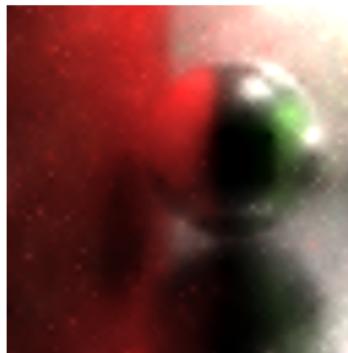
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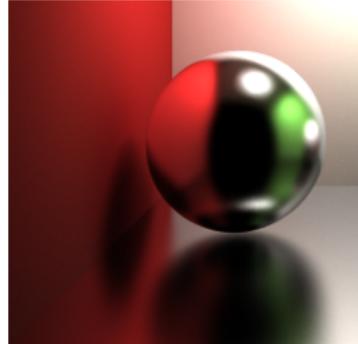
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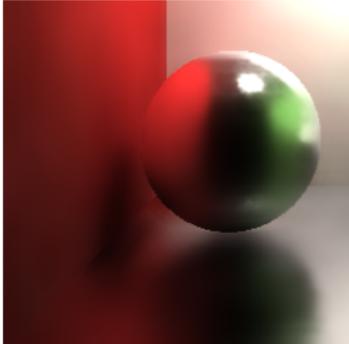
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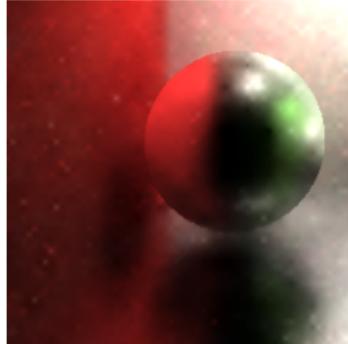
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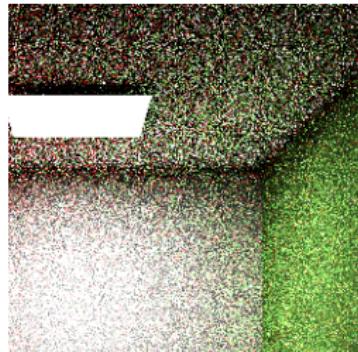


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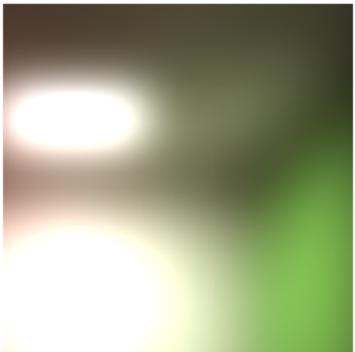


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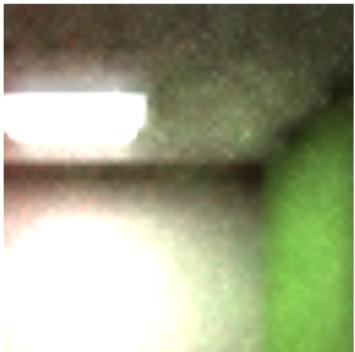
## Decimated vs. A-Trous



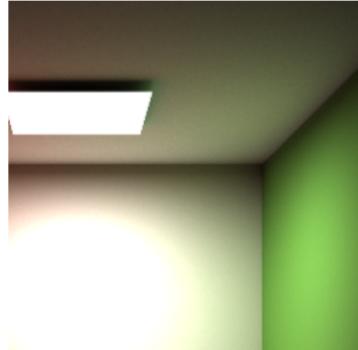
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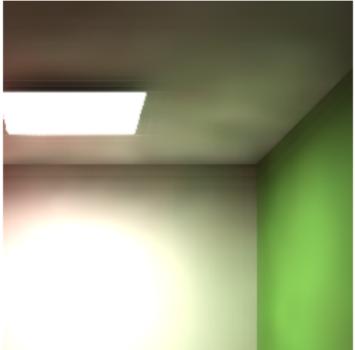
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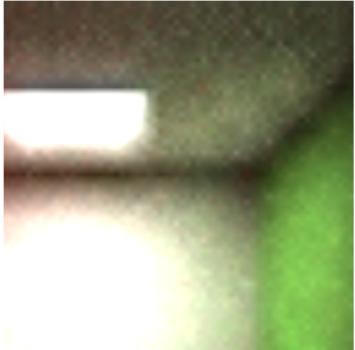
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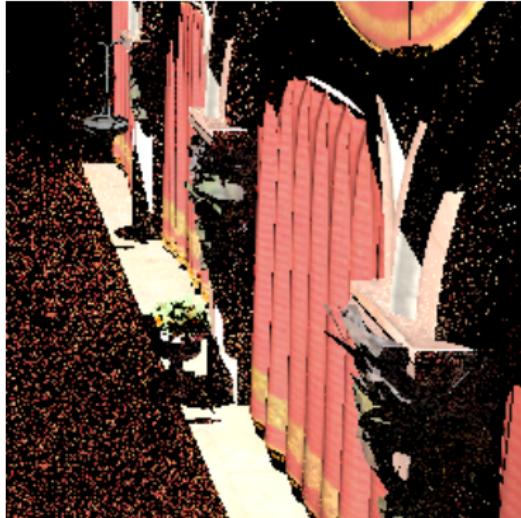
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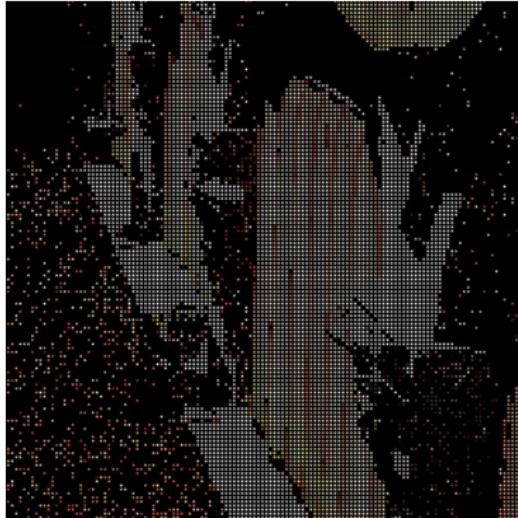
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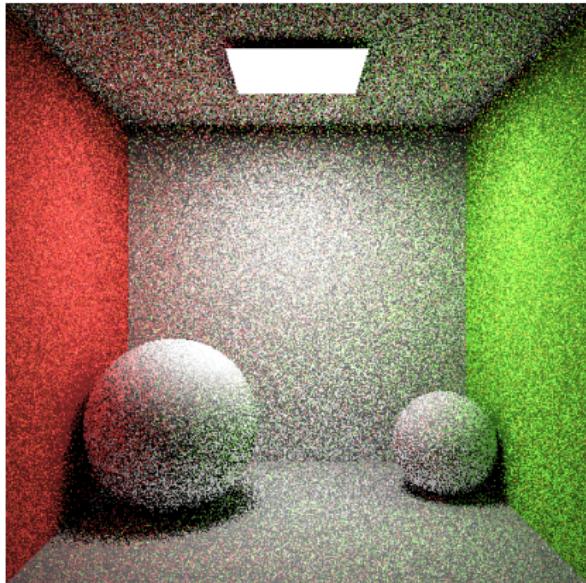
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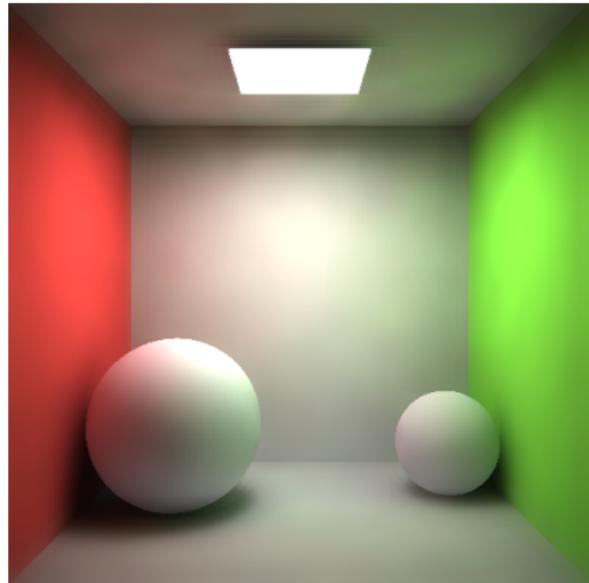


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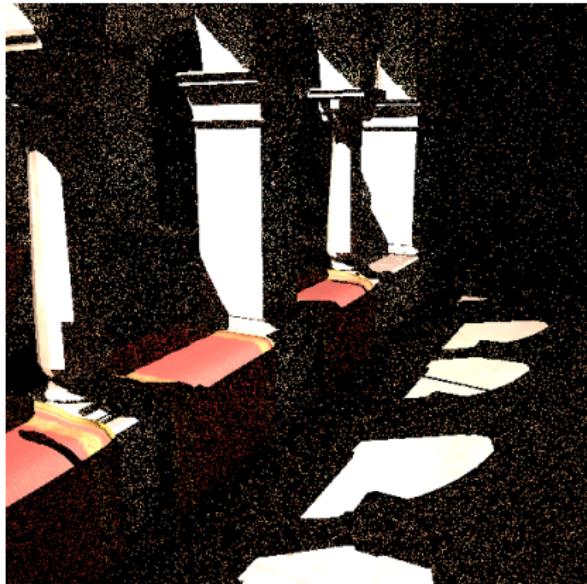


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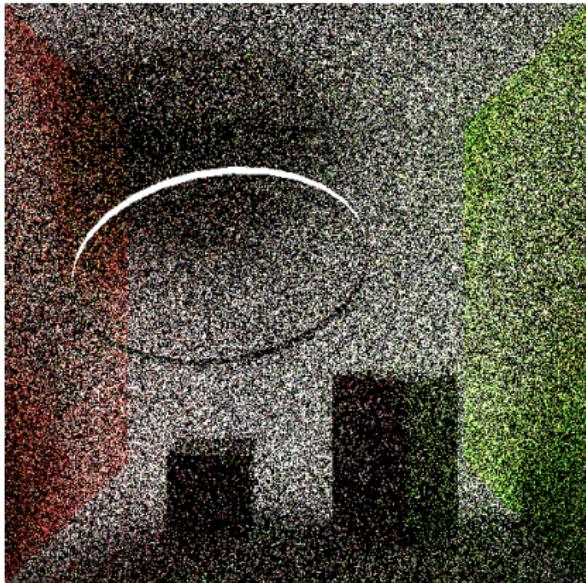


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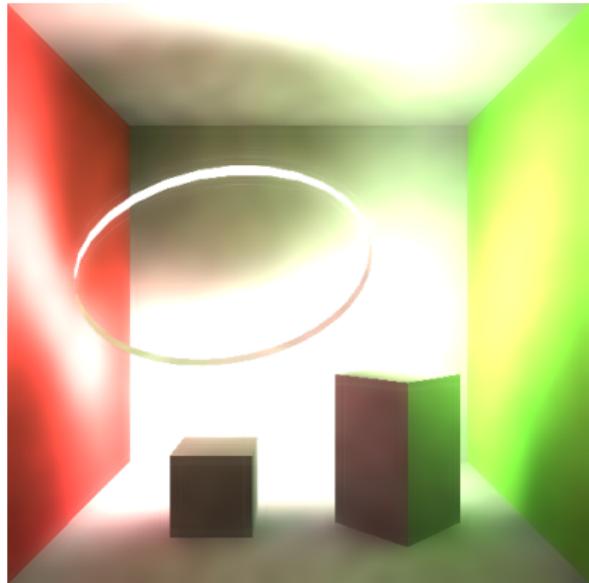


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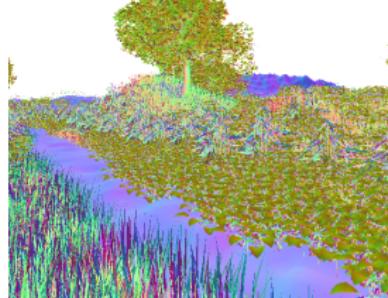


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# Failure Case

highly undersampled input



# Summary

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- ▶ when not undersampled and correct sigma

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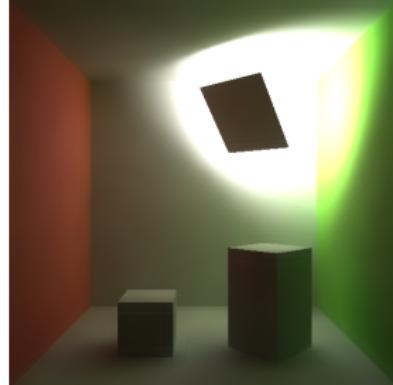
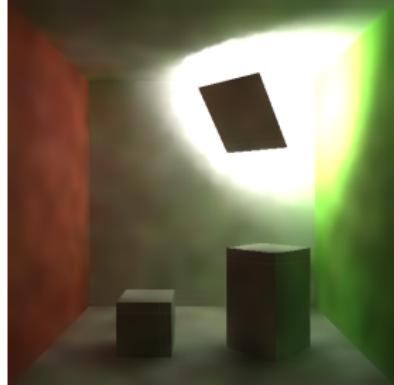
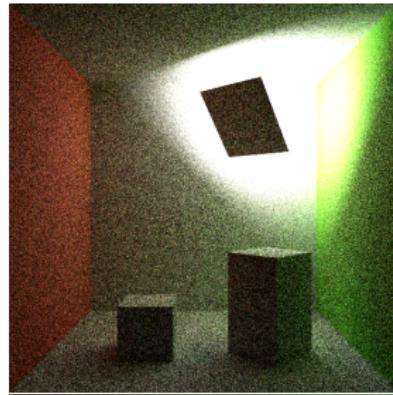
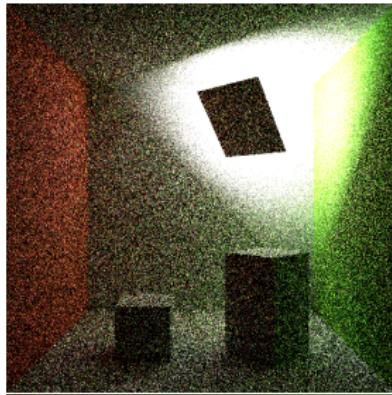
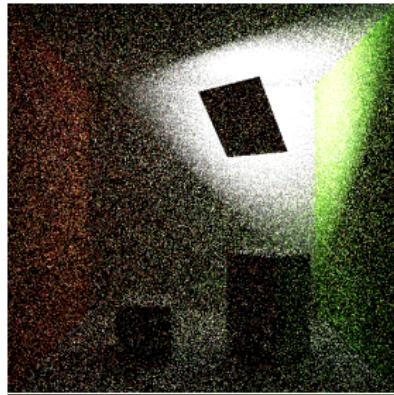
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Questions?

## More than one bounce per pixel



# GLSL Implementation

```
uniform sampler2D colorMap, normalMap, posMap;
uniform float c_phi, n_phi, p_phi, stepwidth;
uniform float kernel[25];
uniform vec2 offset[25];

void main(void) {
    vec4 sum = vec4(0.0);
    vec2 step = vec2(1./512., 1./512.); // resolution
    vec4 cval = texture2D(colorMap, gl_TexCoord[0].st);
    vec4 nval = texture2D(normalMap, gl_TexCoord[0].st);
    vec4 pval = texture2D(posMap, gl_TexCoord[0].st);

    float cum_w = 0.0;
    for(int i = 0; i < 25; i++) {
        vec2 uv = gl_TexCoord[0].st + offset[i]*step*stepwidth;

        vec4 ctmp = texture2D(colorMap, uv);
        vec4 t = cval - ctmp;
        float dist2 = dot(t,t);
        float c_w = min(exp(-(dist2)/c_phi), 1.0);

        vec4 ntmp = texture2D(normalMap, uv);
        t = nval - ntmp;
        dist2 = max(dot(t,t)/(stepwidth*stepwidth),0.0);
        float n_w = min(exp(-(dist2)/n_phi), 1.0);

        vec4 ptmp = texture2D(posMap, uv);
        t = pval - ptmp;
        dist2 = dot(t,t);
        float p_w = min(exp(-(dist2)/p_phi),1.0);

        float weight = c_w * n_w * p_w;
        sum += ctmp * weight * kernel[i];
        cum_w += weight*kernel[i];
    }
    gl_FragData[0] = sum/cum_w;
}
```

## Implementation Details

### CPU

- ▶ global illumination ray tracing with 1 sample per pixel
  - ▶ upload rt buffer to GPU

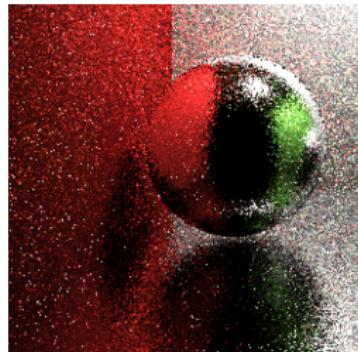
### OpenGL

- ▶ render normal and position buffer
- ▶ wrap rt, normal and position buffer into textures

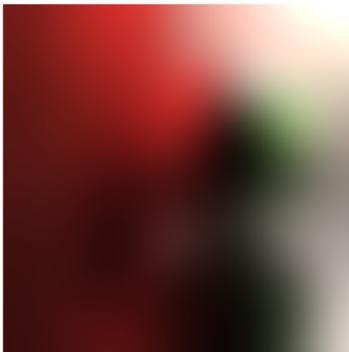
### Shader

- ▶ Apply filter by rendering to texture using input buffers
- ▶ Iterate with growing filter size
- ▶ Performance depends only on resolution and filter size

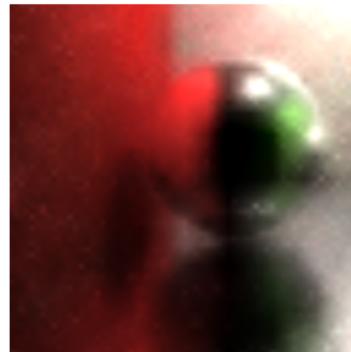
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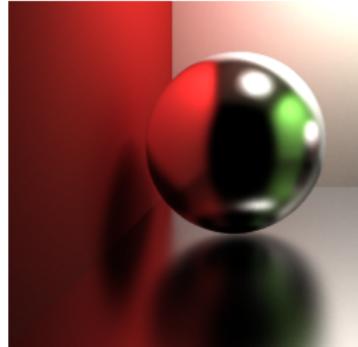
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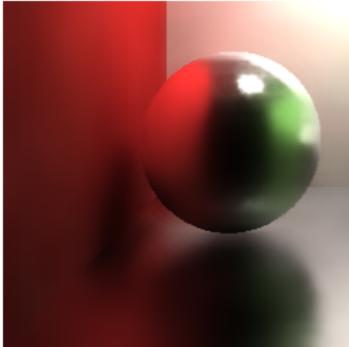
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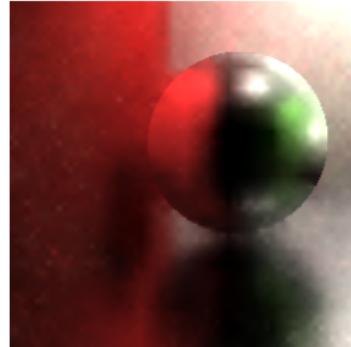
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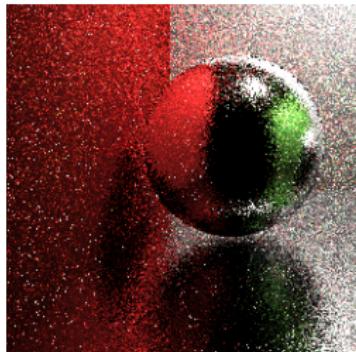


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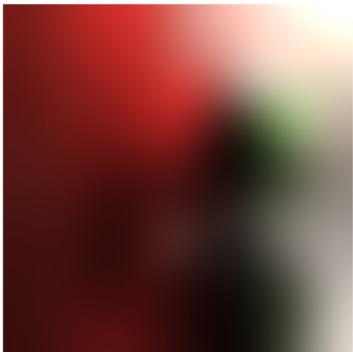


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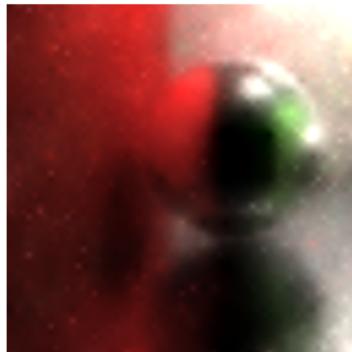
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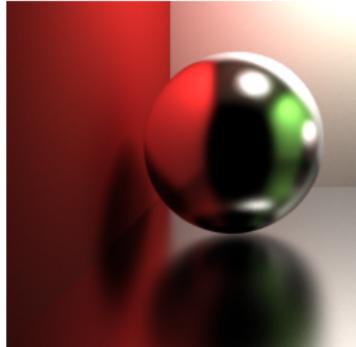
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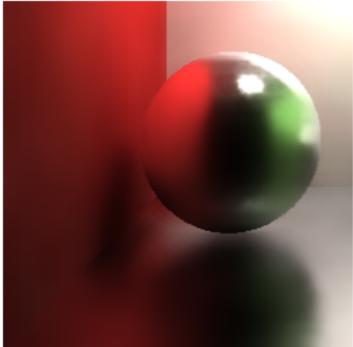
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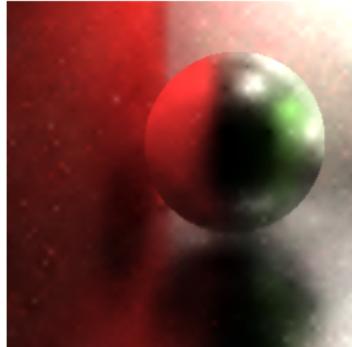
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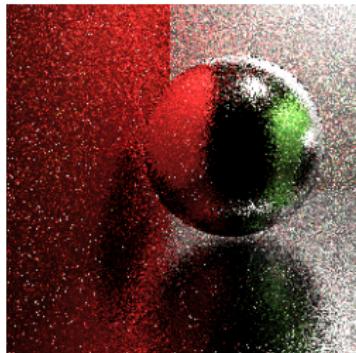


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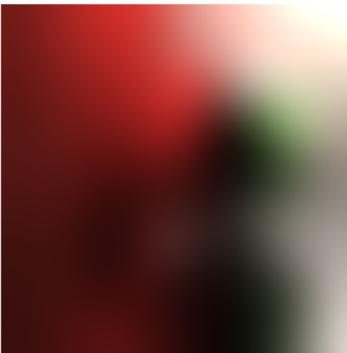


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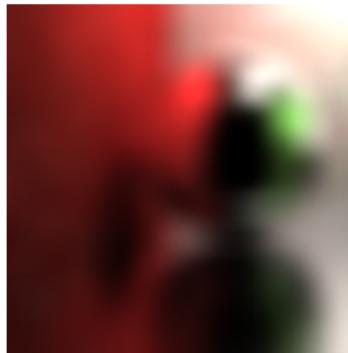
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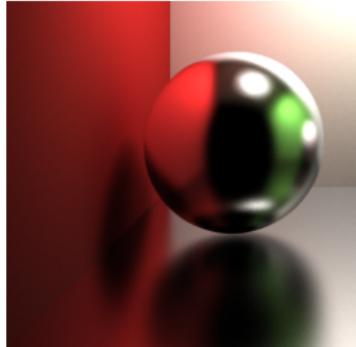
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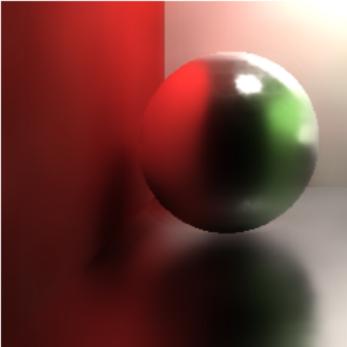
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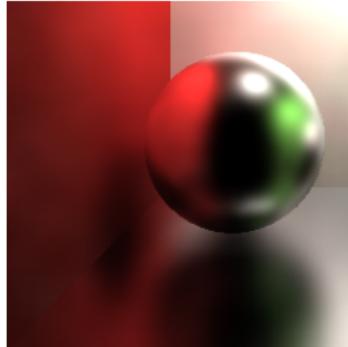
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