

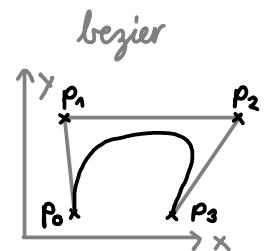
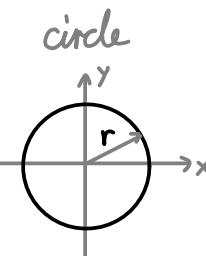
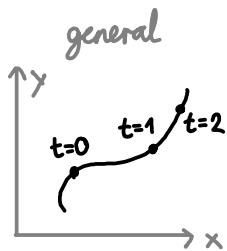
# Computer Graphics

## Parametric geometry representation

- planar curve ( $\mathbb{R}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ):  $\underline{s}(t) = (x(t), y(t))$

$$\underline{s}(t) = r \cdot (\cos t, \sin t) \quad (\text{circle}) \quad t \in [0, 2\pi]$$

$$\underline{s}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n p_i \cdot B_i^n(t) \quad (\text{bezier}) \quad \begin{cases} B_i^n(t) = \binom{n}{i} t^i (1-t)^{n-i} \\ t \in [0, 1] \end{cases}$$



- space curve ( $\mathbb{R}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ ):  $\underline{s}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$

- surface in 3D ( $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ ):  $\underline{s}(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v))$

sphere:  $\underline{s}(u, v) = r (\cos(u) \cos(v), \sin(u) \cos(v), \sin(v)) \quad (u, v) \in [0, 2\pi] \times [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

bezier surface:  $\underline{s}(u, v) = \sum_{i=0}^m \sum_{j=0}^n p_{i,j} B_i^m(u) B_j^n(v) \quad (u, v) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$

- normal vector:  $\underline{n} = \frac{\underline{s}_u \times \underline{s}_v}{\|\underline{s}_u \times \underline{s}_v\|} \quad \left( \underline{s}_u = \frac{\partial \underline{s}(u, v)}{\partial u}, \quad \underline{s}_v = \frac{\partial \underline{s}(u, v)}{\partial v} \right)$

### Advantages

- easy to generate points on surface, line
- analytic formula for derivatives

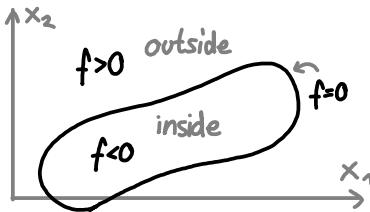
### Disadvantages

- hard to determine inside/outside
- hard to determine if point on line/plane

## Implicit geometry representation

- curve in 2D:  $S = \{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2, f(\underline{x}) = 0 \}$

circle:  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - r^2$



- surface in 3D:  $S = \{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3, f(\underline{x}) = 0 \}$

sphere:  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - r^2$

- normal vector:  $\underline{n} = \nabla f(x, y, z) = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right)^T$

### set operations:

unite  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ :  $f_3 = \min(f_1, f_2)$

intersect  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ :  $f_3 = \max(f_1, f_2)$

subtract  $f_2$  from  $f_1$ :  $f_3 = \max(f_1, -f_2)$

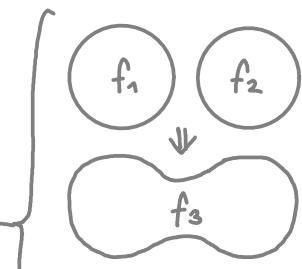
smooth:  $f_3 = \frac{1}{1+\alpha} \left( f_1 + f_2 - \sqrt{f_1^2 + f_2^2 - 2\alpha f_1 f_2} \right)$

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- blobs:  $S: \{ f(\underline{x}) = \text{Const.} \}$  with  $f(\underline{x})$  having smooth fall-off to 0.

sphere blob:  $f_i(\underline{x}) = b_i e^{-\alpha_i \| \underline{x} - \underline{x}_i \|^2}$  with surface at  $f(\underline{x}) = e^{-1}$

↳ unite blobs:  $f_3 = f_1 + f_2$



### Advantages

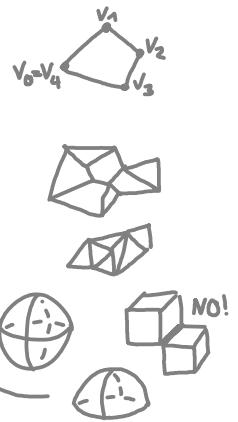
- easy to determine inside/outside
- easy to determine if point is on curve/surface

### Disadvantages

- hard to generate points on curve/surface
- no good for real-time rendering

## Polygonal Meshes

- **polygon**: vertices  $v_0, \dots, v_{n-1}$  and edges  $\{(v_0, v_1), \dots, (v_{n-2}, v_{n-1})\}$  form polygon.  
 - closed:  $v_0 = v_{n-1}$     - planar: all  $v_i$  on plane    - simple: not self-intersecting
- **polygonal mesh**: set  $M$  of closed, simple polygons  $Q_i$  only intersecting with edges/vertices  
 - vertex degree: # of incident edges    - boundary: set of edges belonging to just 1 polygon
- **triangle mesh**: polygon mesh with all polygons  $n=3$  (triangle)
- **manifold**:  
 - 2-manifold: region around any point on mesh is homeomorphic to an open disk.  
 - manifold with boundary: same as above, but can be half-disc
- **genus**: # of "handles" of mesh    0:    1:    2 ...
- **Euler-Poincaré formula**:  $\chi(M) = v - e + f = \# \text{vertices} - \# \text{edges} + \# \text{faces} = \text{const.}$  for a shape, no matter the mesh.



## Texture Mapping

Each vertex  $(x, y, z)$  has a mapping  $(u, v)$  in the texture image containing RGB color. The color of a pixel inside a triangle is located at the  $(u, v)$  coord. calculated by weighting the 3 vertices  $(u, v)$  with the barycentric coord.  
 Good mapping  $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (u, v)$  tries to preserve: 2D angles, 2D distances, 2D areas  $\rightarrow$  minimal distortion

## Light Sources

- **incandescence**: produced from heat = black body radiation (see thermo III part I notes)
- **luminescence**: all that is not incandescence. (everything that follows)
- **atomic emission**: emitted when electrons in an atom go to a lower energy orbital. (sodium-vapour-lights)
- **molecular emission**: same as atomic, but with molecular orbitals (northern lights)
- **stimulated emission**: photons trigger atomic/molecular emission without being absorbed (laser)
- **fluorescence**: photon is absorbed and then emitted at a lower wavelength (neon-lamp)
- **phosphorescence**: same as fluorescence, but with longer delay between absorption and emission (dark-glow-paint)
- **chemiluminescence**: emission of light due to a chemical reaction (glowstick)
- **bioluminescence**: same as chemiluminescence, when inside an organism. (firefly)

## Radiometry

- **photon energy**:  $E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$  [J]  
 $h = 6.63 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ m}^2 \cdot \text{kg} \cdot \text{s}$  (Planck const.)
- $c = 299'792'458 \text{ m/s}$  (light-speed)
- $k_B = 1.381 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$  (Boltzmann c.)
- $\lambda = \text{variable m}$  (wavelength)

$$\left( d\omega = \sin\theta \cdot d\theta d\phi / dA_p = \cos\theta dA \right)$$

• <b>flux</b> : $\Phi(A)$ [W]	{	}	$\int_A (B \text{ or } E) dA = \Phi$
• <b>irradiance</b> : $E = \frac{d\Phi}{dA} \quad (\frac{\text{W}}{\text{A}})$			$\int_H I d\omega = \Phi$
• <b>radiosity</b> : $B = \frac{d\Phi}{dA} \quad (\frac{\text{W}}{\text{A}})$			$\int_H L \cdot \cos\theta d\omega = (B \text{ or } E)$
• <b>intensity</b> : $I(A, \theta) = \frac{d\Phi}{dA_p d\omega}$			$\int_A L \cdot \cos\theta dA = I$
• <b>radiance</b> : $L = \frac{d^2\Phi}{dA_p d\omega}$			$\int_H \int_A L \cdot \cos\theta dAd\omega = \Phi$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{black-body: } L_b(T) = \int_0^\infty 2hc^2 / (\lambda^5 (e^{hc/\lambda k_B T} - 1)) \cdot d\lambda$$

!  $L$  is const. along ray!

## Raytracing

### • transformations $\underline{M}$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} x'/w' \\ y'/w' \\ z'/w' \end{pmatrix} \hat{=} \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ w' \end{pmatrix} = \underline{M} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{point} \rightarrow w=1 \\ \text{vector} \rightarrow w=0 \end{array}$$

$\underline{M}$  translate:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\underline{M}$  scale:

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\underline{M}$  rotate:

$$\begin{pmatrix} T & T & T & 0 \\ A\vec{e}_x^B & A\vec{e}_y^B & A\vec{e}_z^B & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\underline{M}$  general:

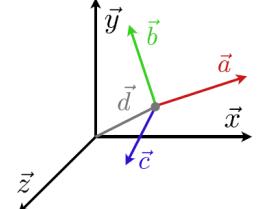
$$\begin{pmatrix} T & T & T & T \\ a & b & c & d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• ray:  $\underline{r}(t) = \underline{o} + t \cdot \underline{d}$   
ray origin direction

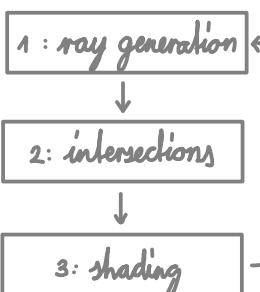
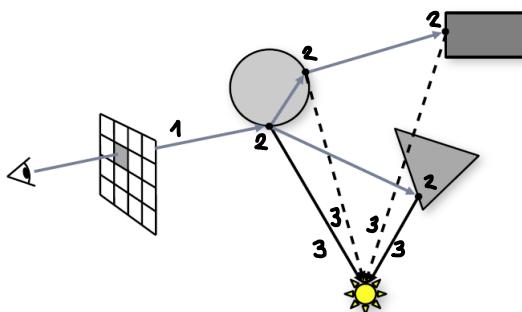
$\underline{M}$  rotation from tangent  $\vec{n}$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} T & T & T & 0 \\ t & b & n & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

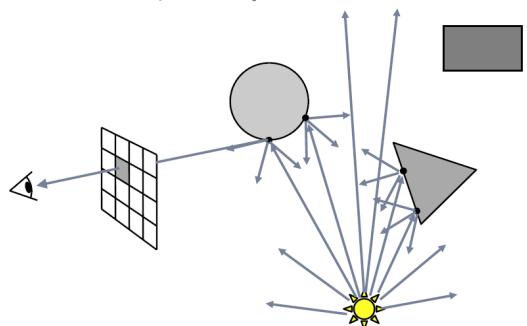
$\vec{t}$ : zero one component of  $\vec{n} \rightarrow$   
swap other 2  $\rightarrow$  negate one  $\rightarrow$   
normalize  
 $\vec{b}$ :  $\vec{b} = \vec{n} \times \vec{t}$



### • backward raytracing:

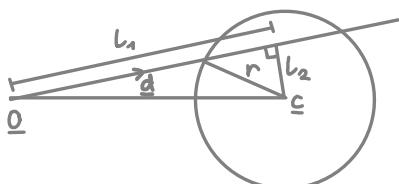


### • forward raytracing:



### • ray-sphere intersection

$$\begin{aligned} l_1 &= (\underline{c} - \underline{o}) \cdot \underline{d} & (\text{if } l_1 < 0: \text{break}) \\ l_2^2 &= \| \underline{c} - \underline{o} \|^2 - l_1^2 & (\text{if } l_2^2 > r^2: \text{break}) \\ t &= l_1 \pm \sqrt{r^2 - l_2^2} \end{aligned}$$



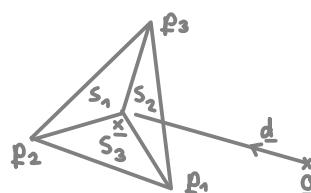
### • ray-plane intersection

$$\begin{aligned} (\underline{o} + t \underline{d} - \underline{p}) \cdot \underline{n} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow t &= (\underline{o} - \underline{p}) \cdot \underline{n} / \underline{d} \cdot \underline{n} \end{aligned}$$



### • ray-triangle intersection

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{o} + t \underline{d} &= S_1 \underline{p}_1 + S_2 \underline{p}_2 + S_3 \underline{p}_3 \\ \text{solve for } t, S_1, S_2 & \quad (S_1 + S_2 + S_3 = 1) \\ \text{check if } 0 \leq S_i & \leq 1 \text{ for } i=1,2,3 \end{aligned}$$



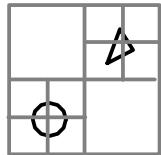
## Acceleration techniques

### • axis-aligned bounding boxes (AABB):

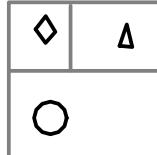
- 1) compute bounding box of scene
- 2) recursively split box until max depth or object/cell limit
- 3) take ray and walk down the box tree checking intersections
- 4) intersect ray with objects in last box

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} t_{x1} = \frac{x_{min} - o_x}{d_x}, t_{x2} = \frac{x_{max} - o_x}{d_x}, t_{y1}, t_{y2}, t_{z1}, t_{z2} \\ \text{if } t_{x1} > t_{x2} \rightarrow \text{swap}(t_{x1}, t_{x2}), \text{ same for } y, z \\ t_{min} = \max(t_{x1}, t_{y1}, t_{z1}), t_{max} = \min(t_{x2}, t_{y2}, t_{z2}) \\ \text{if } t_{min} < t_{max} \rightarrow \underline{\text{hit}} \end{array} \right.$$

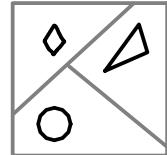
- octree  
(split in 8 equal cubes)



- kd-tree  
(split along x, y or z plane)



- BSP-tree  
(split along arbitrary plane)



- alternatives: regular box grid instead of tree / one bounding box per object / bounding sphere

## Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function BRDF

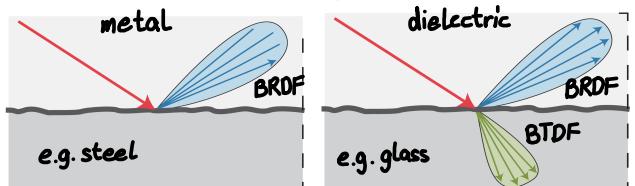
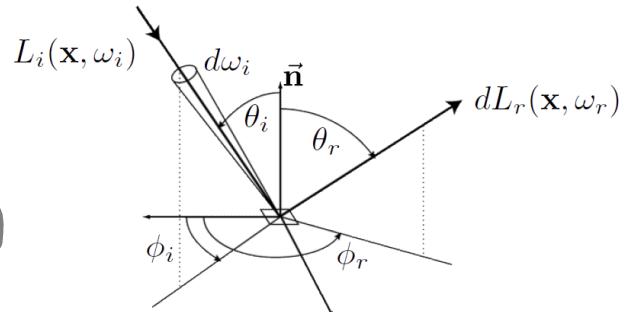
$$dL_r(x, \omega_r) = f_r(x, \omega_i, \omega_r) \cdot dE_i(x, \omega_i) \quad (f_r: \text{BRDF})$$

$$L_r(x, \omega_r) = \int_{H^2} f_r(x, \omega_i, \omega_r) \cdot L_i(x, \omega_i) \cdot \cos\theta_i \cdot d\omega_i \quad (H^2: \text{hemisphere})$$

Helmholtz reciprocity:  $f_r(x, \omega_i, \omega_r) = f_r(x, \omega_r, \omega_i)$

Energy conservation:  $\int_{H^2} f_r(x, \omega_i, \omega_r) \cdot \cos\theta_i \cdot d\omega_i \leq 1 \quad \forall \omega_r, x$

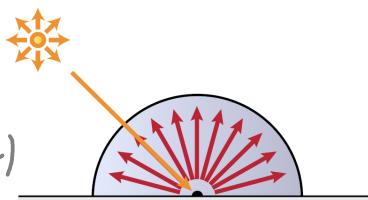
isotropic BRDF:  $f_r(x, \omega_i, \omega_r) \rightarrow f_r(\theta_i, \theta_r, \phi)$



• diffuse BRDF:

$$f_r = S/\pi$$

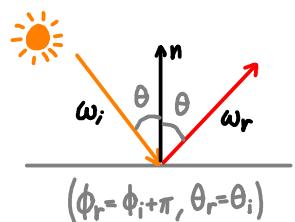
( $S \in [0,1]$ : albedo)



• ideal specular BRDF:

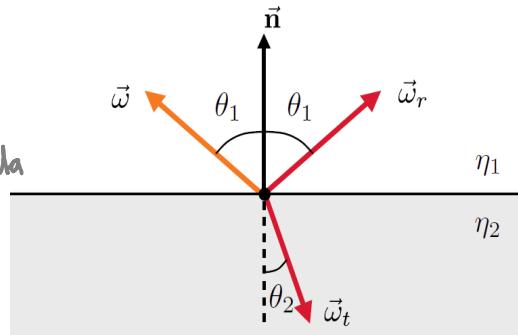
if  $\omega_r = 2(n \cdot \omega_i) \cdot n - \omega_i$  then:

$$L_r(\omega_r) = L_i(\omega_i) \text{ else } L_r(\omega_r) = 0$$



• Fresnel reflection/refraction BRDF/BTDF: (for dielectric)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\eta_1}{\eta_2} = \frac{\sin \theta_2}{\sin \theta_1} & \rightarrow S_{||} = \frac{\eta_2 \cos \theta_1 - \eta_1 \cos \theta_2}{\eta_2 \cos \theta_1 + \eta_1 \cos \theta_2} \rightarrow F_r = \frac{1}{2} (S_{||}^2 + S_{\perp}^2) \stackrel{\text{prob of refl.}}{\rightarrow} \\ & \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ S_{\perp} = \frac{\eta_1 \cos \theta_1 - \eta_2 \cos \theta_2}{\eta_1 \cos \theta_1 + \eta_2 \cos \theta_2} & \rightarrow F_t = 1 - F_r \quad \rightarrow \text{dirac delta} \\ \omega_r^* = 2(n \cdot \omega_i) n - \omega_i & \rightarrow f_r(\omega_i, \omega_r) = F_r \cdot \frac{\delta(\omega_r - \omega_r^*)}{\cos(\theta_i)} \\ \omega_t^* = -\frac{\eta_1}{\eta_2} (\omega_i - (\omega_i \cdot n) n) - n \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\eta_1}{\eta_2}\right)^2 (1 - (\omega_i \cdot n)^2)} & \rightarrow f_t(\omega_i, \omega_t) = F_t \cdot \frac{\delta(\omega_t - \omega_t^*)}{\cos(\theta_i)} \end{aligned}$$



• Fresnel reflection BRDF: (for metals)

same as above except for:  $S_{||} = \sqrt{\frac{(\eta^2 + k^2) \cos^2 \theta_i - 2\eta \cos \theta_i + 1}{(\eta^2 + k^2) \cos^2 \theta_i + 2\eta \cos \theta_i + 1}}$        $S_{\perp} = \sqrt{\frac{(\eta^2 + k^2) - 2\eta \cos \theta_i + \cos^2 \theta_i}{(\eta^2 + k^2) + 2\eta \cos \theta_i + \cos^2 \theta_i}}$       ( $\eta$ : refraction index)      ( $k$ : absorption coeff.)

• normalized Phong BRDF:  $f_r(\omega_i, \omega_r) = \frac{\alpha+2}{\pi} (\omega_r^* \cdot \omega_r)^\alpha$       ( $\omega_r^* = 2n(n \cdot \omega_i) - \omega_i$ ; ideal reflection;  $\alpha$ : blur)

• Blinn-Phong BRDF:  $f_r(\omega_i, \omega_r) = \frac{\alpha+2}{2\pi} (\omega_n \cdot n)^\alpha$       ( $\omega_n = (\omega_i + \omega_r)/\|\omega_i + \omega_r\|$  mid-vector;  $\alpha$ : blur)

• Microfacet BRDF:  $f(\omega_i, \omega_r) = \frac{F(\omega_h, \omega_r) \cdot D(\omega_h) \cdot G(\omega_i, \omega_r)}{4 \cdot I(\omega_i, \omega_r) \cdot (\omega_h \cdot n)}$       ( $\omega_h = \frac{\omega_i + \omega_r}{\|\omega_i + \omega_r\|}$ )

- Fresnel coeff.  $F(\omega_h, \omega_r)$ :  $F_r$  of Fresnel refl.

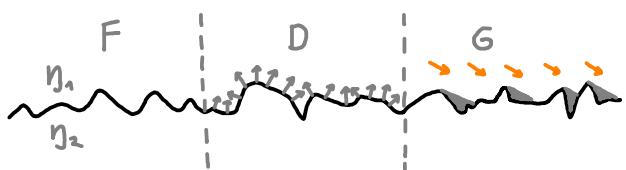
- self-shadowing/masking coeff  $G(\omega_i, \omega_r)$ : ?

- Microfacet distribution  $D(\omega_h)$ : (normals distrib.)

↳ Beckmann:  $D(\omega_h) = \frac{1}{\pi} \alpha^2 \cos^4 \theta_h \cdot e^{-\tan^2 \theta_h / \alpha^2}$

↳ Blinn:  $D(\omega_h) = \frac{e^{+2}}{\pi} (\omega_h \cdot n)^\alpha$

↳ GXX: prettier, but complicated...



• Oren-Nayar BRDF:  $f_r(\omega_i, \omega_r) = \frac{8}{\pi} (A + B \cdot \max(0, \cos(\theta_i - \theta_r)) \cdot \sin(\max(\theta_i, \theta_r)) \cdot \tan(\min(\theta_i, \theta_r)))$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 1 - \frac{\alpha^2}{20} + 0.66 \\ B &= \frac{0.95 \alpha^2}{\alpha^2 + 0.09} \end{aligned}$$

## Importance Sampling

$X$ : "random" variable with below characteristics

$p(x)$ : probability density function (PDF)  $p(x) = dP(x)/dx$ ;  $p(x) \geq 0 \forall x$ ;  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) dx = 1$

$P(x)$ : cumulative distribution function (CDF)  $P(x) = \text{prob}(X \leq x)$ ;  $P(b) - P(a) = \int_a^b p(x) dx = \text{prob}(a \leq X \leq b)$

$$Y = f(X) \rightarrow \begin{aligned} \text{expected value: } E\{Y\} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) p(x) dx \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i) \\ \text{variance: } \text{var}\{Y\} &= E\{(Y - E\{Y\})^2\} \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} (\text{with } x_i \text{ distributed}) \\ (\text{according to } p(x_i)) \end{array}$$

• montecarlo integration:  $\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{f(x)}{p(x)} \right] \cdot p(x) dx \approx \frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i) / p(x_i)$  with  $p(x) = \begin{cases} a \leq x \leq b : \frac{1}{b-a} \\ \text{else} : 0 \end{cases}$

• sampling arbitrary  $p(x)$ : 1) get CDF:  $P(x) = \int_0^x p(x') dx'$  3) obtain rand. nr.  $\xi$ :  $p_s(\xi) = \begin{cases} \xi \in [0,1] : 1 \\ \text{else} : 0 \end{cases}$   
2) invert  $* = P(x)$ :  $x = P^{-1}(*)$  4) compute  $X_i = P^{-1}(\xi)$

• sampling arb. 2D  $p(x,y)$ : 1) get marginal:  $p(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x,y) dy$  3) sample  $p(x)$  like above  $\rightarrow X_i$   
2) get conditional:  $p(y|x) = p(x,y)/p(x)$  4) sample  $p(y|X_i)$  like above  $\rightarrow Y_i$

•  $p_T(y)$  from  $p_x(x), y = T(x)$   $\rightarrow p_T(y) = p_T(T(x)) = p_x(x) / |\mathcal{J}_T(x)|$ ;  $|\mathcal{J}_T(x)| = \text{abs}(\det(\begin{bmatrix} \partial T_1/\partial x_1 & \dots & \partial T_1/\partial x_n \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \partial T_m/\partial x_1 & \dots & \partial T_m/\partial x_n \end{bmatrix}))$

• area preserving sampling: 1) define prob. density in cartesian coord.  
2) pick convenient coord. for sampling 3) use above instructions to relate PDF's  
4) use 2D or 1D sampling from above

$$L_r(x, \omega_r) = \int_{H^2} f_r(x, \omega_r, \omega_i) \cdot L_i(x, \omega_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f_r(x, \omega_r, \omega_{in}) \cdot L_i(x, \omega_{in}) \cos \theta_{in} / p(\omega_{in})$$

↪ choose  $p(\omega_{in})$ ? (pdf for picking  $\omega_{in}$ )  $\rightarrow$  best if  $p$  high where  $f_r \cdot L_i \cdot \cos \theta_i$  high.

• none: (uniformly sample hemisphere)

$$p(\omega_i) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \rightarrow \omega_i = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \sqrt{1-\xi_1^2} \cdot \cos(2\pi\xi_2) \\ \sqrt{1-\xi_1^2} \cdot \sin(2\pi\xi_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hookrightarrow L_r(x, \omega_r) \approx \frac{2\pi}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f_r(x, \omega_r, \omega_{in}) \cdot L_i(x, \omega_{in}) \cos \theta_{in}$$

•  $\cos \theta_i$ : (cos-weighted hemisphere)

$$p(\omega_i) = \cos \theta_i / \pi \rightarrow \omega_i = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1-\xi_1} \\ \sqrt{\xi_1} \cdot \cos(2\pi\xi_2) \\ \sqrt{\xi_1} \cdot \sin(2\pi\xi_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hookrightarrow L_r(x, \omega_r) \approx \frac{\pi}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f_r(x, \omega_r, \omega_{in}) \cdot L_i(x, \omega_{in})$$

• normalized Phong BRDF:

$$p(\Delta\theta, \Delta\phi) = \frac{\alpha+2}{2\pi} \cos(\Delta\theta)^{\alpha} \rightarrow \Delta\theta = \cos^{-1}((1-\xi_1)^{1/\alpha+2})$$

$\rightarrow \omega_i$ : rotate  $\omega_r$  by  $\Delta\theta$  in dir.  $\Delta\phi \rightarrow$  mirror on n

$$\hookrightarrow L_r(x, \omega_r) \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N L_i(x, \omega_{in}) \cos \theta_{in}$$

• Beckmann BRDF +  $\cos \theta_i$ :

$$p(\omega_i) = e^{-\tan^2 \theta_i / \alpha} \cdot \frac{1}{\pi \alpha \cos^2 \theta_i} \cdot \cos \theta_i$$

$$\rightarrow \theta_i = \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{-\alpha \cdot (\ln(1-\xi_1))}), \phi_i = 2\pi\xi_2 \rightarrow \omega_i = (\theta_i, \phi_i) \cdot \omega_o - \omega_o$$

$$\hookrightarrow L_r(x, \omega_r) \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N L_i(x, \omega_{in})$$

• sample environment light: (sky-sphere)

$$p(\omega_i) = \underbrace{L_{env}(\theta_i, \phi_i) \sin \theta_i}_{\text{mercator map of sky}} / \underbrace{\sum_{\theta_i=0}^{\Theta_i} L_{env}(\theta_i, \phi_i) \sin \theta_i}_{\text{normalization}}$$

$$p(\theta_i) = \sum_{\phi_i=0}^{\Phi_i} L_{env}(\theta_i, \phi_i) \sin \theta_i, \quad p(\phi_i | \theta_i) = p(\theta_i, \phi_i) / p(\theta_i)$$

$$P(\theta_i) = \sum_{\theta_i=0}^{\Theta_i} p(\theta_i), \quad P(\phi_i) = \sum_{\phi_i=0}^{\Phi_i} p(\phi_i | \theta_i)$$

$$\theta_i = P^{-1}(\pi\xi_1 - \pi\xi_2), \quad \phi_i = P^{-1}(2\pi\xi_2)$$

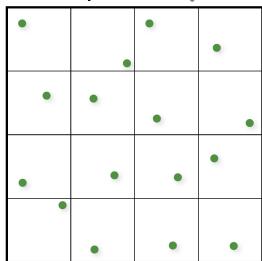
• combine 2 samplers:  $(p_1(\omega_i), p_2(\omega_i), \omega_{i1}(\xi), \omega_{i2}(\xi))$

$$\hookrightarrow L_r(x, \omega_r) \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{f_r(x, \omega_r, \omega_{in}) \cdot L_i(x, \omega_{in}) \cos \theta_{in}}{\frac{1}{2} \cdot p_1(\omega_{in}) + \frac{1}{2} \cdot p_2(\omega_{in})}$$

(use  $\omega_{i1}$  50% of the time and  $\omega_{i2}$  50% for  $\omega_{in}$ )

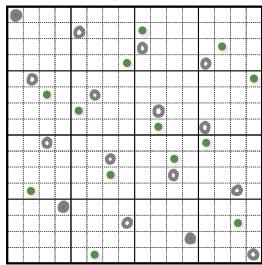
## low discrepancy sampling (generate random number, avoiding clusters)

### • stratified (= jittered)



subdivide sampling space in as many subspaces (line, square, cube,..) as needed samples. sample inside each subspace.

### • multi-jittered (stratified+N-rooks)



initialize like N-rooks but on cells shown left. shuffle dimensions like N-rooks, but shuffle x-coord only within each column ( $NN \times N$ ) and y-coord within each row ( $N \times N \cdot N$ )

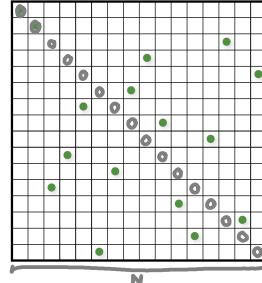
### • Van der Corput sequence (binary):

for every sample and every dimension:

- 1) assign ascending integer numbers to each sample coord.
- 2) express that nr. in binary
- 3) mirror digits around decimal point.

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{e.g. } 5_{10} = 101_b \rightarrow 0.101_b = 0.625 \\ \quad 6_{10} = 110_b \rightarrow 0.011_b = 0.375 \\ \quad \vdots \end{array}$$

### • N-rooks (= Latin hypercube)

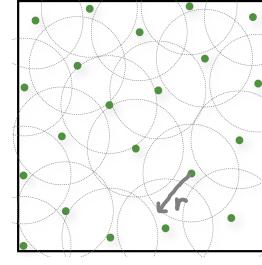


place  $N$  samples randomly in cells along the diagonal ( $o$ : init. pos.)

shuffle each dimension:

for  $i = (1: \text{dim})$ ; for  $j = (1: \text{count})$   
swap  $\text{sample}(j, i)$   
with  $\text{sample}(\text{rand}(j: \text{count}), i)$

### • Poisson-disc (enforce min. dist. between samples)



throw random darts at sampling space and only keep it if no previous darts landed closer than  $r$ . continue until required # of samples "stick".

### • Halton sequence:

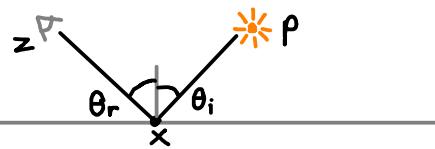
similar to Van der Corput, but have ascending base (only prime!) and fixed number  $i$  ( $= 15$  below)

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{e.g.: } 2 \rightarrow 15_{10} = 1111_2 \rightarrow 0.1111_2 = 0.9375 \\ \quad 3 \rightarrow 15_{10} = 120_3 \rightarrow 0.021_3 = 0.2592 \\ \quad 5 \rightarrow 15_{10} = 30_5 \rightarrow 0.03_5 = 0.12 \\ \quad 7 \rightarrow 15_{10} = 21_7 \rightarrow 0.12_7 = 0.1837 \\ \quad \vdots \end{array}$$

### • Hammersley sequence: same as Halton, but first number is $1/N$ ( $N$ : # of samples). Then continue like Halton.

## direct illumination

- point light: visibility  $\frac{I}{4\pi} \cdot \frac{|\cos\theta_i|}{\|x-p\|^2}$



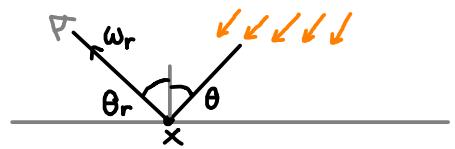
- spot light:

like point light but  $I \neq \frac{\Phi}{4\pi} V(x,p)$   
 $I(x,p) = (n_p \cdot (x-p) / \|x-p\| < \cos(\alpha)) \cdot I$



- directional light:

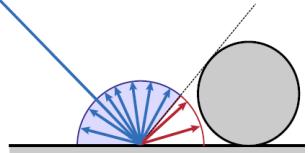
$L_r(x, \omega_r) = f_r(x, \omega, \omega_r) V(x, \omega) \cdot L_d \cdot \cos \theta$



- ambient white sky (for diffuse objects)

$L_r(x, \omega_r) = \frac{S}{\pi} \int_{H^2} V(x, \omega_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i \approx \frac{S}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N V(x, \omega_{i,k})$

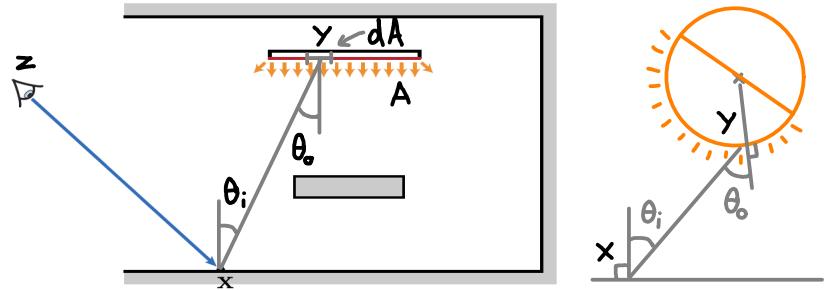
(PDF:  $p(\omega_{i,k}) = \cos \theta_{i,k} / \pi$   
 $V(x, \omega_i) : 1 \text{ if sky visible, } 0 \text{ else}$ )



- surface area light (emitter area sampling)

$L_r(x, z) = \int_A f_r(x, y, z) \cdot L_e(x, y) \cdot G(x, y) dA(y)$

$G(x, y) = V(x, y) \cdot \underbrace{|\cos \theta_i|}_{\text{visibility}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{d\omega}{dA}}_{d\omega/dA}$



- quad light:  $L_r(x, z) = \frac{\Phi}{AN} \sum_i^n f_r(x, y_i, z) \cdot G(x, y_i)$

(PDF: sample  $y_i$  uniformly on A)

- sphere light:  $L_r(x, z) = \frac{\Phi}{4\pi r^2 N} \cdot \sum_i^n f_r(x, y_i, z) \cdot G(x, y_i)$

(PDF: sample  $y_i$  cos-weighted on visible hemisphere)

↑ drop  $\cos \theta_o$ ! ←

## global illumination

Hückberts classification:  $L$ =light,  $E$ =eye,  $D$ =diffuse refl.,  $S$ =specular refl.

$X+$ : one or more event,  $X*$ : zero or more event,  $(X|Y)$  one of 2 events

↳ direct illumination:  $L(DIS)E$  / classical Whitted:  $LDS*E$  / global illumination:  $L(DIS)*E$

$L(x, \omega) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} L_e(x, \omega) + \int_{H^2} f_r(x, \omega; \omega') L(r(x, \omega), -\omega') \cos \theta' d\omega'$

$L(x, \omega)$ : outgoing radiance at  $x$  in dir  $\omega$

$r(x, \omega)$ : next intersection point from  $x$  in dir.  $\omega'$

$L(x, z) = L_e(x, y) + \int_A f_r(x, y, z) L(y, x) G(x, y) dA(y)$

$L(r(x, \omega), -\omega')$ : incoming radiance to  $x$  from dir  $\omega'$

$\|z-x\| \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \omega, \|y-x\| \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \omega', G(x, y) = V(x, y) \cdot \frac{\cos \theta_o \cos \theta_i}{\|y-x\|^2}$

- partitioned integral form:

$L(x, \omega) = \underbrace{\text{direct illumination } L_d(x, \omega)}_{\text{sample only } L_e \text{ from emitters}} + \underbrace{\text{indirect illumination } L_i(x, \omega)}_{\text{sample } L \text{ without } L_e \text{ on hemisph.}} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{ignore emitter in } L_i, \\ \text{except if last bounce} \\ \text{was purely specular!} \end{array} \right)$

$L(x, \omega) = \int_A f_r L_e G dA + \int_{H^2} f_r \cdot L \cdot \cos \theta d\omega \quad \left( \text{recursive/multiple bounces!} \right)$

- path integral form:

$I_j = \int \int^3 W_e(x_0, x_1) L_e(x_k, x_{k-1}) \cdot T(\bar{x}) d\bar{x} \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum^{N^3} W_e(x_0, x_1) L_e(x_k, x_{k-1}) T(\bar{x}) / p(\bar{x})$

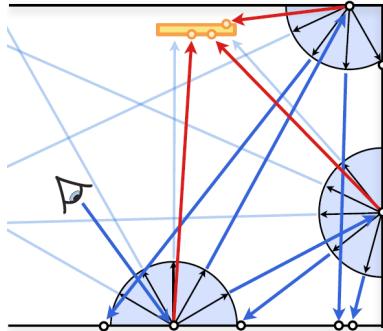
$T(\bar{x}) = G(x_0, x_1) \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} f(x_j, x_{j+1}, x_{j-1}) G(x_j, x_{j+1}) ; p(\bar{x}) = p(x_0) \times p(x_1 | x_0) \times p(x_2 | x_0, x_1) \times \dots$

$I_j$ : radiance of pixel  $j$   
 $W_e(x_0, x_1)$ : susceptibility of pixel at  $x_0$   
 $L_e(x_k, x_{k-1})$ : emission of last point in path  
 $T(\bar{x})$ : throughput of path  $\bar{x} = x_0 \rightarrow x_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow x_k$   
 $p(\bar{x})$ : joint PDF of all path choices

### • monte-carlo ray tracing:

- 1) generate rays from eye to each pixel
- 2) intersect ray with scene
- 3) sample intersection BRDF multiple times
- 4) sample emitter at intersection and add radiance to output

! do not add radiance if intersection is on an emitter (avoid double counting)  
! except if last intersection was specular.

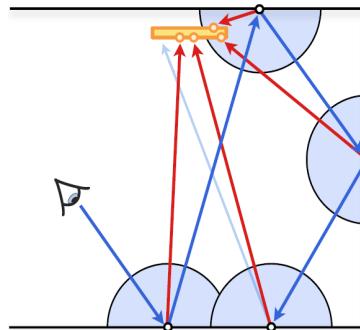


### • path tracing (+russian roulette):

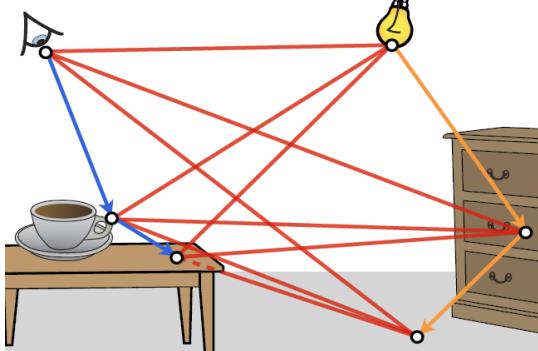
like monte carlo, but sample BRDF at intersection only once.

**russian roulette:** stop ray with prob. equal to curr. throughput (and compensate for it!)  
 $\hookrightarrow T(x)=T(x) * \text{stop\_prob} \hookleftarrow$

← can do multiple importance sampling to avoid this.

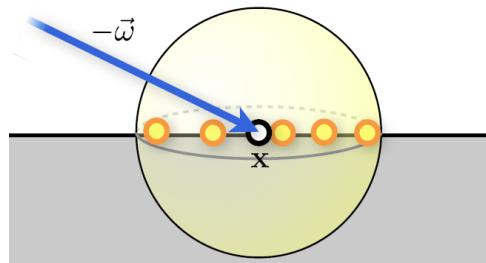


### • bidirectional path tracing:



- 1) generate path of lens from eye
- 2) generate path of lens from light
- 3) connect all t:s possible paths
- 4) use path integral form eq.

### • photon mapping:

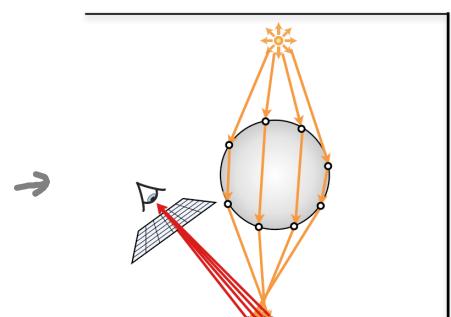
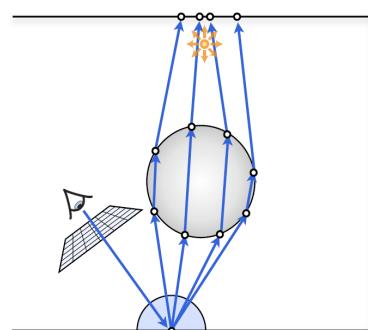


- 1) emit photons from emitters (photon = energy packet)
- 2) scatter photons through scene (like path tracing)
- 3) save loc+dir. where photon hits diffuse surface in "photon-map"
- 4) run path tracing alg., but calc. indirect illum with avg. energy of photons per area near intersection point.

### • light tracing:

start rays at the emitters instead of the eye and replace emitter sampling with "eye sampling"

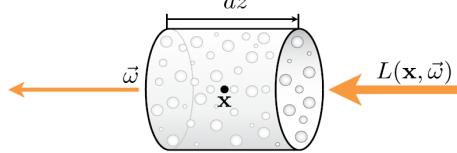
$\hookrightarrow$  better LSDE, worse LDSE



## Volume rendering (rendering of dense participating volumes)

! radiance  $L$  of ray is no longer const. along ray when traversing dense volume!

$$dL = -\alpha_a L dz - \sigma_s L dz \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{gains} \\ + \alpha_a L dz + \sigma_s L_s dz \end{array} \right. \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{losses} \end{array} \right.$$



$L$ : incoming radiance  
 $L+dl$ : outgoing radiance  
 $L_e$ : emitted radiance  
 $L_s$ : in-scattered radiance  
 $\alpha_a$ : absorption coeff.  
 $\sigma_s$ : scattering coeff.  
 $\alpha_t = \alpha_a + \sigma_s$ : extinction coeff.

mean free distance:  $1/\alpha_t$

$$\rightarrow \text{Transmittance: } T_r = \frac{L_{out}}{L_{in}} = e^{-\int_0^z \alpha_t(t) dt}$$

$\rightarrow$  in-scattering radiance:

$$L_s(x, \omega) = \int_{S^2} f_p(x, \omega, \omega') L_e(x, \omega') d\omega'$$

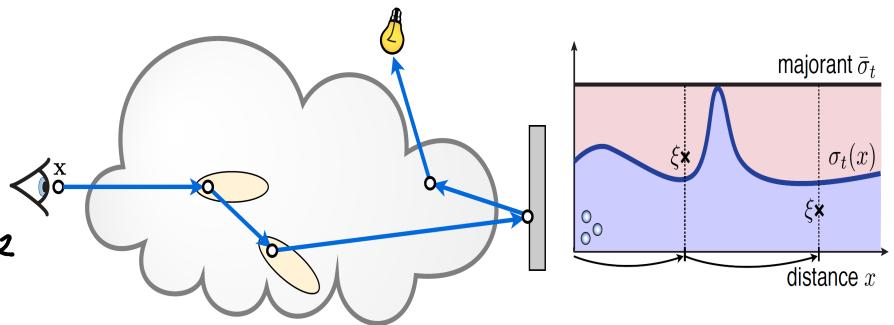
phase function (analog BRDF)

volume rendering equation:  $L(x, \omega) = \underbrace{T_r(x, x_z) L(x_z, \omega)}_{\text{background radiance}} + \underbrace{\int_0^z T_r(x, x_t) \alpha_a(x_t) L_e(x_t, \omega) dt}_{\text{emitted radiance}} + \underbrace{\int_0^z T_r(x, x_t) \sigma_s(x_t) L_s(x_t, \omega) dt}_{\text{in-scattered radiance}}$

- uniform scattering:  $f_p(\omega, \omega) = 1/4\pi$
- Henyey+Gr. scattering:  $f_p(\theta) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \cdot (1-g^2)/(1+g^2-2g\cos\theta)^{3/2}$
- Schlick scattering:  $f_p(\theta) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \cdot (1-k^2)/(1-k\cos\theta)^2$ ;  $k = 1.55g - 0.55g^3$  (cheap approx. of above)
- Rayleigh scattering:  $f_p(\theta, \lambda, \eta, \dots) = \dots$  (approx. of Maxwell eq. for tiny scatterers)
- Lorenz-Mie scattering:  $f_p(\theta, \lambda, \eta, \dots) = \dots$  (approx. of Maxwell eq. for large scatterers)

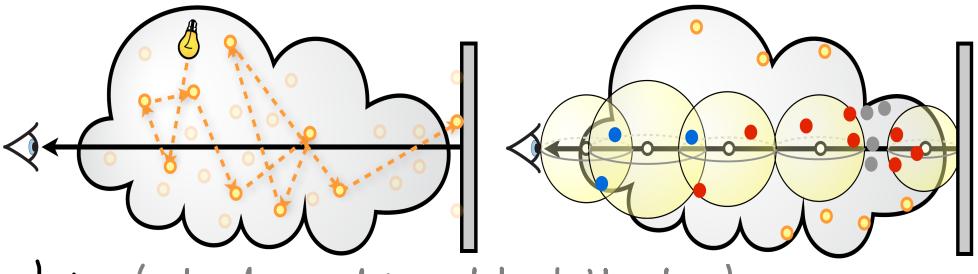
### delta-tracking:

- 1) assume a homogeneous volume  $\bar{\alpha}_t = \max(\alpha_t)$
- 2) sample mean free dist.  $t = -\log(1-\xi)/\bar{\alpha}_t$
- 3) step distance  $t$  along ray.
- 4) the collision is real if  $\alpha_t(x)/\bar{\alpha}_t > \xi$ , else goto 2.
- 5) perform scattering with  $f_p$ , then goto 2.



### volumetric photon mapping:

- 1) use light-tracing + delta-tracking to deposit photons in volume.

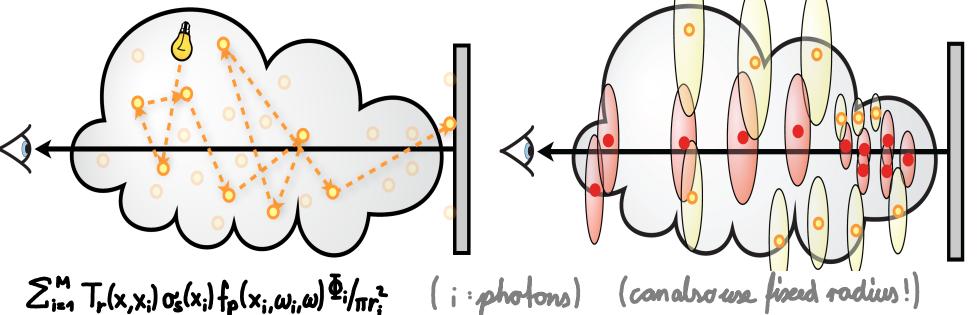


- 2) estimate in-scattering along ray with

$$\sum_{i=1}^N T_r(x, x_i) \alpha_s(x_i) \cdot \left( \sum_{j=1}^M f_p(x_i, \omega_j, \omega) \Phi_j / \frac{1}{3}\pi r^3 \right) \cdot \Delta t \quad (i: \text{steps along ray of } \Delta t, j: \text{photons inside sphere } r)$$

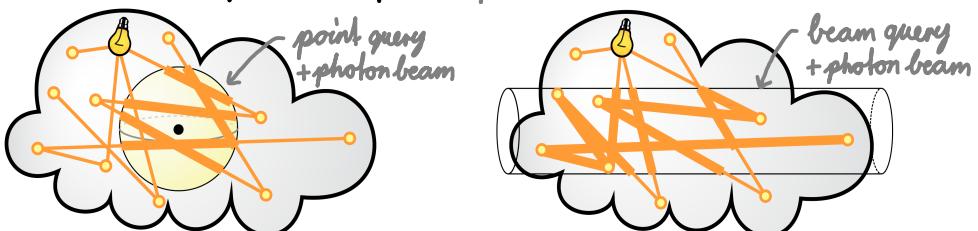
### beam radiance estimate:

- 1) use light-tracing + delta-tracking to deposit photons in volume.
- 2) assign a sphere to each photon based on photon density in region
- 3) estimate in-scattering along ray with



### photon beams, beam query:

instead of depositing photon points, deposit photon beams!

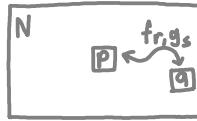


## denoising (lower noise in render without using more rays)

- **bilateral filter**: replace pixel intensity by function of nearby pixels, distance and/or intensity

$$I_{\text{filt}}(p) = \sum_{q \in N} I(q) \cdot f_r(I(p), I(q)) \cdot g_s(p, q) / \sum_{q \in N} f_r(I(p), I(q)) \cdot g_s(p, q)$$

( $p, q$ : pixel coord     $I(\cdot)$ : intensity of pixel     $N$ : filter window)  
 $f_r$ : range kernel     $g_s$ : spatial kernel (both e.g. gaussian func.)



assuming normal distrib.:  $I(x) \sim \mathcal{N}(I_{\text{real}}(x), \text{var } I(x))$

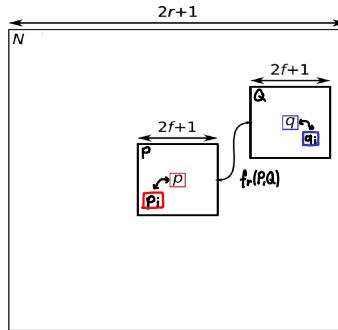
$$f_r(I(p), I(q)) = e^{-\frac{(I(p)-I(q))^2 - (\text{var } I(p) + \text{var } I(q))}{k^2 \cdot (\text{var } I(p) + \text{var } I(q))}}$$

$$g_s(p, q) = 1$$

- white noise (e.g. random sampling)
  - correlated noise (e.g. low discrepancy sampling)
- : calculate  $\text{var } I(x)$  from  $I$  of all rays starting at  $x$
- render 2 images with different seed  $\rightarrow \text{var } I(x) = (I_1(x) - I_2(x))^2 / 4$
  - blur  $\text{var } I(x)$  with e.g. box blur and take max to original to preserve high  $\text{var } I$  outliers

- **non-local means filter**: same as bilateral, but consider patches around pixels

```
INPUT: I, r, f, k, sigma_I
flt = wgtsum = 0
for each pixel p:
    for q in N(p):
        wgt = 0
        for pi, qi in P, Q:
            wgt += fr(I(pi), I(qi))
            wgt /= area(P)
        for pi, qi in P, Q:
            wgtsum(pi) += wgt
            flt += wgt * I(qi)
        flt /= wgtsum
    // 1. Initialize output
    // 2. Loop over pixels
    // 3. Loop over neighbors
    // 4. Loop over pairs
    // (pi, qi) to get
    // mean over patch
    // Weight of Q
    // 5. Store weighted
    // contribution of Q
    // 6. Normalize output
```



P: patch around center pixel p  
Q: patch around pixel q  
 $p_i, q_i$ : pixels inside of P, Q

(algorithm can be simplified  
to one for loop + convolution)

- **joint non-local means filter**: (leverage scene information)

include more kernels in formula for  $I_{\text{filt}}(p)$ : depth, normals, albedo, direct visib., ...

- alternative: only use largest kernel instead of multiplying them

$$h_{\text{nlm}}(p, q) = (\text{feature}(p) - \text{feature}(q))^2 / k^2 \cdot \|\text{grad}(\text{feature}(p))\|^2$$

(pixel based! not patch based)  
like  $f_r$  above!

(eventually blur these if noisy)

- **separate direct/indirect illumination**: split render in direct/indirect illumination  $\rightarrow$  apply above denoising methods to both separately  $\rightarrow$  recombine them

## adaptive rendering

- **a posteriori**: advanced denoisers like above

- weighted local regression: use features like joint non-local means filter, but ..... smarter.
- machine learning: let CNN learn to denoise with low/high sample/pixel references

- in between: shoot rays uniformly  $\rightarrow$  get pixel variances  $\rightarrow$  shoot more rays on high var. pixels

- **a priori**: use knowledge of light transport to determine noise prone pixels before rendering  $\rightarrow$  sample them more

- gradient analysis: somehow get  $\text{grad}(I)$  and sample more where it is high

- frequency analysis: somehow get  $\text{fft}(I)$  use nyquist theorem  $\rightarrow$  sample at 2x freq.

- lightfield analysis: ??????????????????????????



## Machine learning for light transport

### • predict global illumination:

inputs: 1st intersection position, normal, albedo, dir. to eye, dir. to light  
output: indirect illumination radiance

(works well for unchanging scene geometry and changing light, camera pos, material colors.)

### • predict volumetric rendering:

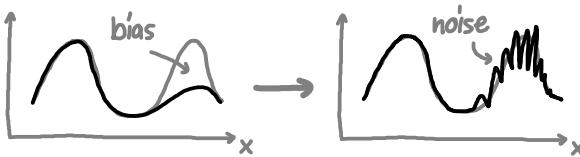
input: 1st bounce position from free dist. sampling, grid of densities in neighbourhood (different scales), dir. to light  
output: radiance from 2+ bounces in cloud

### • improvement: predict distribution

predicting a value  $\rightarrow$  bias

predict a pdf  $\rightarrow$  less bias, more noise

how to store, sample, evaluate pdf?



usually better to have noise than bias!

### • path guiding (done while rendering) (helps with LSDSE rays)

improve hemisphere prob. distribution at all intersections that likely hit light from prev. result

input: incoming radiance of a intersection + direction (ML used to learn parameters)  
output: improved sampling method for that region (could also use mix. of gaussians, histograms,.. of functions describing that instead of ML!)

### • ML-renderer: have CNN that generates paths and trains itself to generate better paths (more throughput) as the scene is rendered. (work in progress)

## Material acquisition

goal: find material normals + BRDF from photograph

prerequisites: camera position/calibration fix + lighting with controlled dir.+radiance [no indirect illum.]

$$L_{\text{eye}}(x, w_o) = \int_{H^2} f_r(x, w_o, w_i) \cdot L_i(x, w_i) \cdot (w_i \cdot n) d\omega_i \quad (\blacksquare \text{ known} \quad \blacksquare \text{ unknown})$$

$$L_{\text{eye}}(x, w_o) = f_{r, \text{diff}} \cdot L_i \cdot (w_i \cdot n) \quad (\text{assumptions: directional light + diffuse BRDF})$$

3 unknowns  $f_r, n(\theta, \phi) \rightarrow$  solve with 3 different  $w_i$  and const.  $L_i$ !

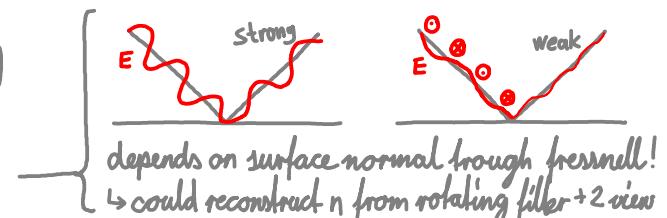
### • avoid diffuse BRDF constraint (by filtering out specular reflections with polarization)

use linear polarization filter on light and on camera at  $\perp$   
(diffuse refl. randomizes polarization, specular refl. keeps it.)

can approx. specular BRDF with:

$$I_{\text{diff}} = I_{\perp} \rightarrow f_{r, \text{diff}}$$

$$I_{\text{spec}} = I_{\parallel} - I_{\text{diff}} \rightarrow f_{r, \text{spec}}$$



(different normals can be computed for each color channel and each of diffuse/specular to fake sub-surface scattering)

### • estimate roughness (by comparing rendering with photo)



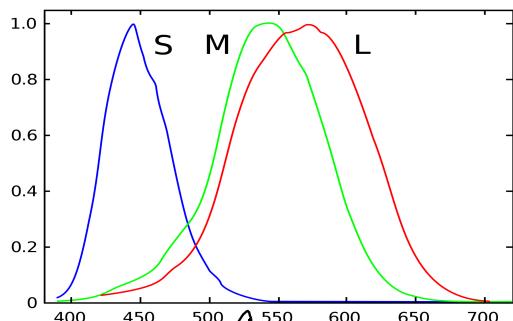
### • camera problems:

- vignetting
- bad colorspace
- chrom. aberr.
- over/under exposure

## Color representation

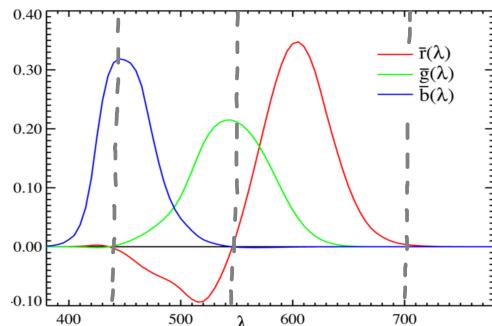
(ways to describe radiance L color and BRDF fr. color)

### • tristimulus values



normalized wavelength sensitivity of the 3 human cone cells.

### • CIE RGB



$$R = \int_{\lambda} L(\lambda) \cdot r(\lambda) d\lambda$$

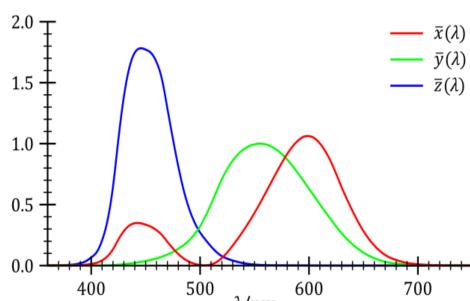
$$G = \int_{\lambda} L(\lambda) \cdot g(\lambda) d\lambda$$

$$B = \int_{\lambda} L(\lambda) \cdot b(\lambda) d\lambda$$

(allow R negative when no combination exists)

describe a wavelength by mixing 3 primary wavelengths

### • CIE XYZ (standard observer)

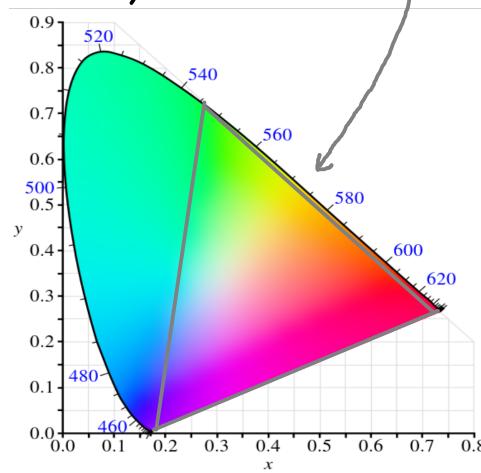


XYZ calculated like RGB

$$\begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{0.17697} \begin{bmatrix} 0.49000 & 0.31000 & 0.20000 \\ 0.17697 & 0.81240 & 0.01063 \\ 0.00000 & 0.01000 & 0.99000 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$

(XYZ such that Y = perceived brightness)

### • CIE xyY



like XYZ, but replace XZ chromaticity with xy and keep Y brightness

$$x = X / (X+Y+Z)$$

$$y = Y / (X+Y+Z)$$

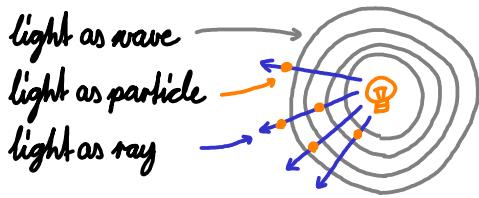
(x,y contain all chromaticities  
(in range [0,1] unlike RGB, X,Z)

- sRGB : triangle in XYZ (like CIE RGB but smaller) and "gamma" function applied to each channel
- adobe RGB : like sRGB, but covering more chromaticities
- HDR (high dynamic range) : encode brightness (Y) with higher resolution

### • typical image signal processing (ISP) of a camera:

- 1) sensor reads total radiance filtered through 3 spectral filters (effectively like CIE RGB)
- 2) ISO gain amplifies the signal (for dark environments) and temp.+position dependence is compensated
- 3) demosaicing gets RGB values for pixels from Bayer mosaic sensor values
- 4) optional denoising is performed
- 5) convert sensor RGB to CIE XYZ (with color calibration)
- 6) optional white balancing is done (shift colors such that they appear as if under white light)
- 7) optional other filters (like tone mapping to map dynamic range)
- 8) convert CIE XYZ to sRGB
- 9) save image to file (optionally compress with e.g. JPEG)

## lens camera optics



$$f = c/\lambda \quad \text{freq.} = \text{speed}/\text{wavelen.}$$

(more formulas in physics I recap.)

assumptions:

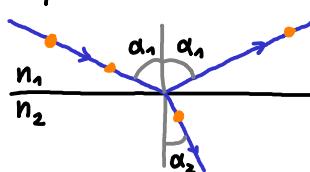
- geometric optics  
(no quantum effects)  
like diffraction

- thin lenses approx.

- paraxial approx.

↳ Gaussian lens formula

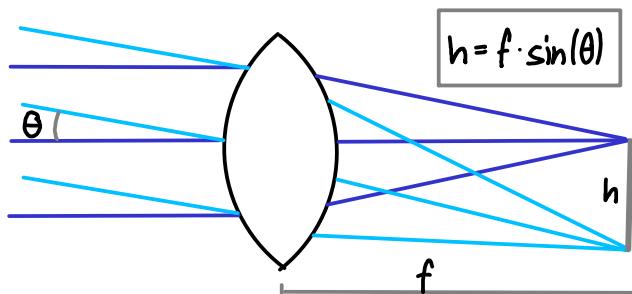
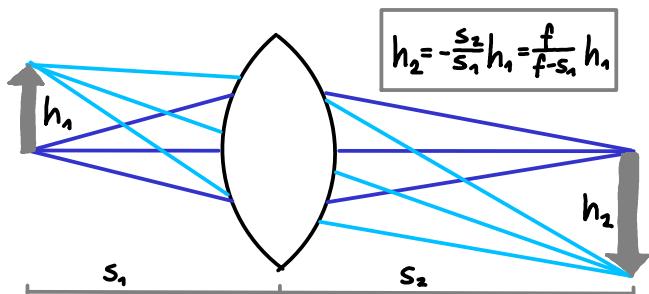
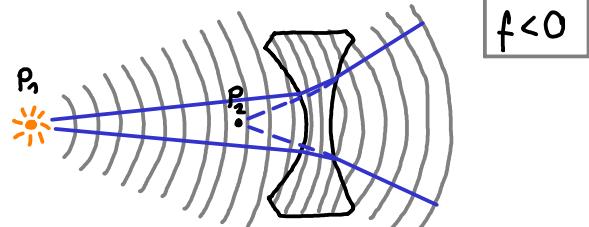
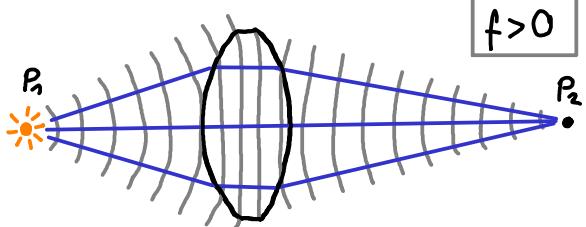
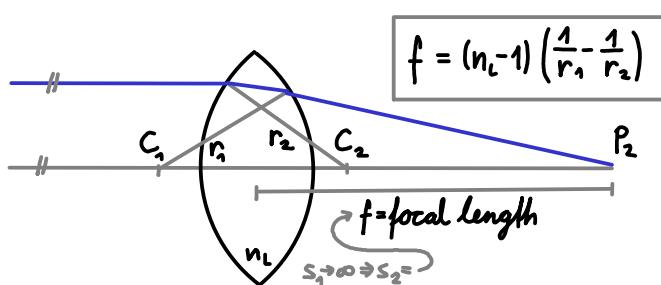
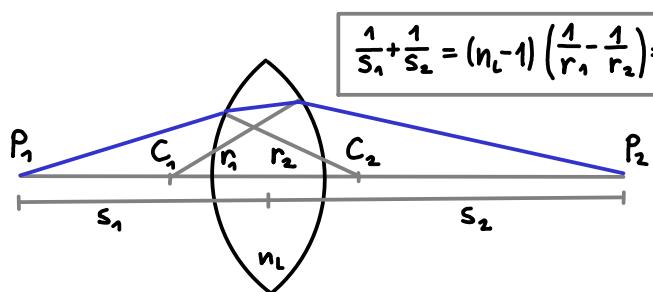
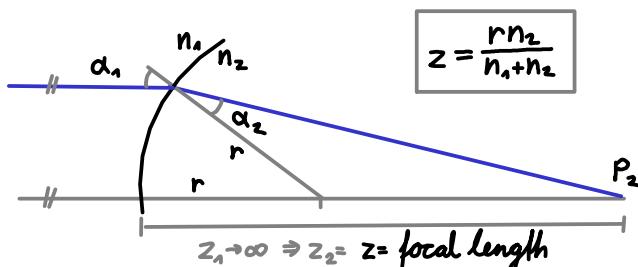
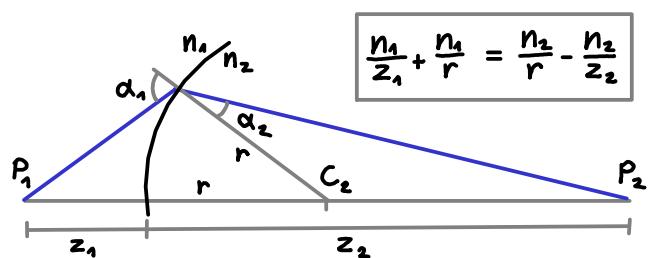
refraction



$$C_{1,2} = c_0(\text{oacuum}) / n_{1,2}$$

$$\alpha_2 = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{n_1}{n_2} \cdot \sin(\alpha_1)\right)$$

(see Fresnel for par. proportions)



$$\text{combining lenses: } \frac{1}{f_{\text{tot}}} = \frac{1}{f_1} + \frac{1}{f_2} ; P_{\text{tot}} = P_1 + P_2$$

( $P$  lens power:  $P = 1/f$ )

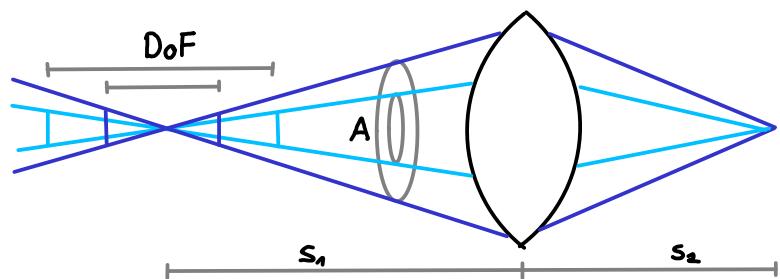
aperture f-number:  $N = f/A$

(size of hole in front of lens)

depth of field:  $\text{DoF} \approx 2s_1^2 Nc / f^2$  (pixel size)

(change in  $s_2$  without blurring pixels)

$A \downarrow \Rightarrow \text{DoF} \uparrow$  but less light

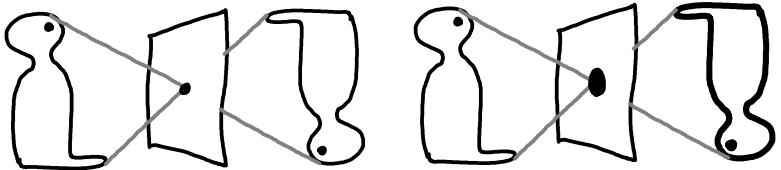


## defects of lens cameras

- **spherical aberration**: spherical lenses only approximately focus. parabolic lens fixes this.
- **chromatic aberration**: different wavelengths refract differently and have different focal lengths. fix for 2 wavelengths with achromatic doublet.
- **wignetting**: less light at periphery of image.
- **field curvature**: focus is on a sphere (radius  $s_0$ ) not a plane  $\rightarrow$  problem for flat sensor.
- **radial distortion**: magnification changes with image position
- **veiling glare**: glare from unintended reflections between lenses

## pinhole camera optics

- infinite depth of field (every depth is in focus)
- pinhole small  $\rightarrow$  image sharp + dimm
- pinhole big  $\rightarrow$  image bright + blurry



## light fields

