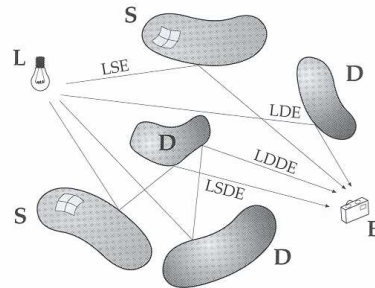




# Global Illumination

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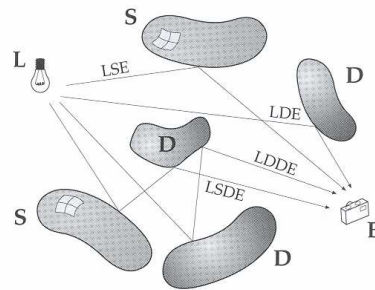


## Overview

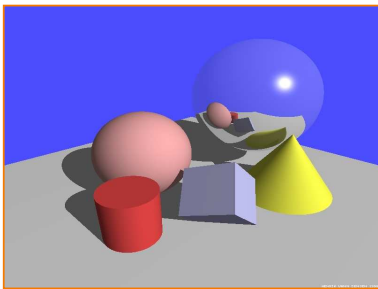


- Path types
  - $L(S|D)^*E$
- Rendering is integration
  - Rendering equation
- Solution methods
  - OpenGL
  - Ray tracing
  - Path tracing
  - Radiosity

## Path Types



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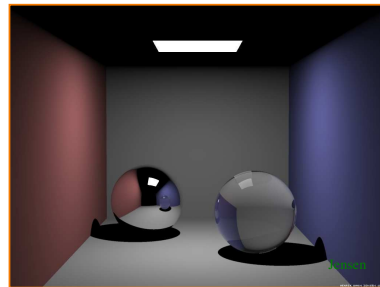


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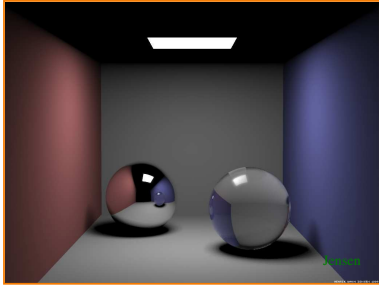
### Path Types



Ray tracing

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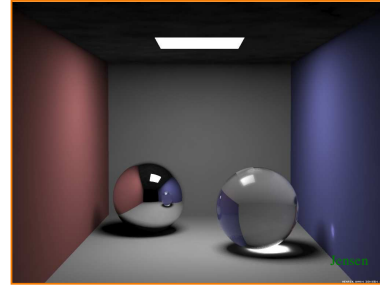
## Path Types



+ soft shadows

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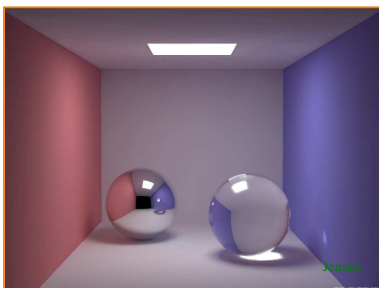
## Path Types



+ caustics

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## Path Types



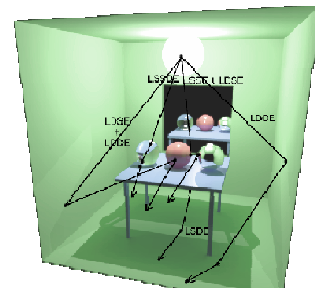
+ indirect diffuse illumination

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## Rendering Methods – Path Types



- OpenGL
  - LDE
- Ray tracing
  - LDS\*E
- Path tracing
  - L(D|S)\*E
- Radiosity
  - LD\*E



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## Overview

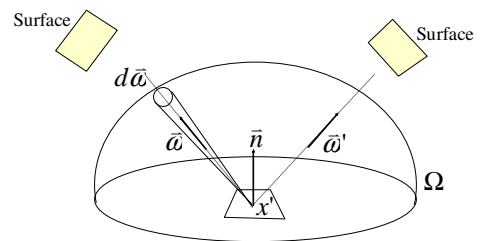


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## Rendering Equation



$$L_o(x', \bar{\omega}') = L_e(x', \bar{\omega}') + \int_{\Omega} f_r(x', \bar{\omega}, \bar{\omega}') L_i(x', \bar{\omega}) (\bar{\omega} \cdot \bar{n}) d\bar{\omega}$$

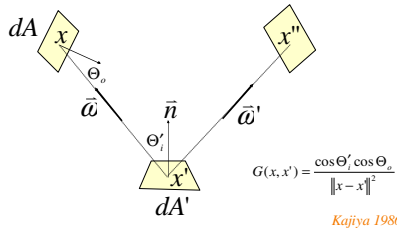


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## Rendering Equation (2)



$$L(x' \rightarrow x'') = L_e(x' \rightarrow x'') + \int_{\Omega} f_r(x' \rightarrow x' \rightarrow x'') L(x \rightarrow x') V(x, x') G(x, x') dA$$



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## Overview



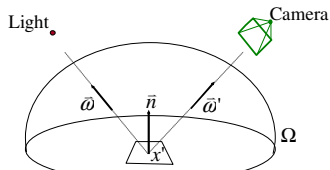
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## OpenGL



$$L_o(x', \omega') = L_e(x', \omega') + \int_{\Omega} f_r(x', \omega, \omega') L_i(x', \omega) (\omega \cdot \bar{n}) d\omega$$

Assume direct illumination from point lights and ignore visibility

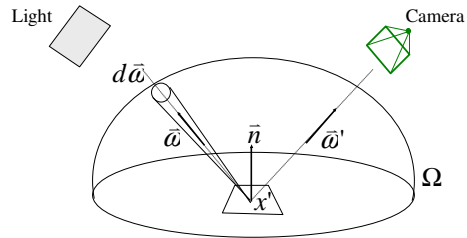


$$L_o(x', \omega') = L_e(x', \omega') + \sum_{i=1}^{nlights} f_r(x', \omega, \omega') L_i(x', \omega) (\omega \cdot \bar{n})$$

## Direct Illumination



$$L_o(x', \omega') = L_e(x', \omega') + \int_{\Omega_L} f_r(x', \omega, \omega') L_i(x', \omega) (\omega \cdot \bar{n}) d\omega$$

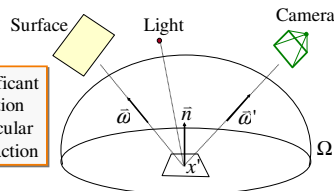


## Ray Tracing



$$L_o(x', \omega') = L_e(x', \omega') + \int_{\Omega} f_r(x', \omega, \omega') L_i(x', \omega) (\omega \cdot \bar{n}) d\omega$$

Assume only significant indirect illumination due to perfect specular reflection and refraction



$$L_o(x', \omega') = L_e(x', \omega') + \sum_{i=1}^{nlights} f_r(x', \omega, \omega') L_i(x', \omega) (\omega \cdot \bar{n}) + specular$$

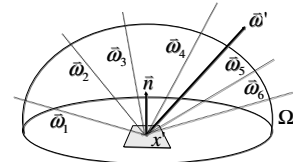
## Distribution Ray Tracing



$$L_o(x', \omega') = L_e(x', \omega') + \int_{\Omega} f_r(x', \omega, \omega') L_i(x', \omega) (\omega \cdot \bar{n}) d\omega$$

Estimate integral for each reflection by random sampling

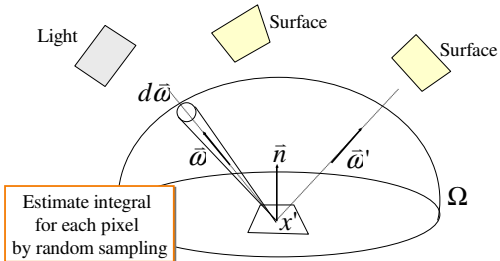
- Also:
- Depth of field
  - Motion blur
  - etc.



## Path Tracing



$$L_o(x', \omega') = L_e(x', \omega') + \int_{\Omega} f_r(x', \omega, \omega') L_i(x', \omega) (\omega \cdot \bar{n}) d\omega$$



## Path Tracing



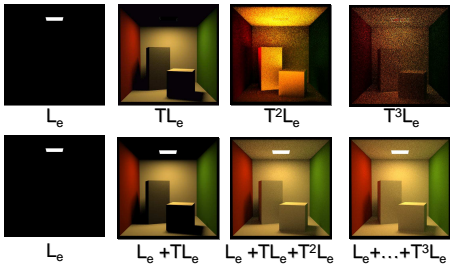
$$L_o(x', \omega') = L_e(x', \omega') + \int_{\Omega} f_r(x', \omega, \omega') L_i(x', \omega) (\omega \cdot \bar{n}) d\omega$$

Perform Neumann series expansion

$$L = L_e + TL \quad \text{where} \quad T(x, \omega') = \int_{\Omega} f_r(x', \omega, \omega') g(x, \omega) (\omega \cdot \bar{n}) d\omega$$

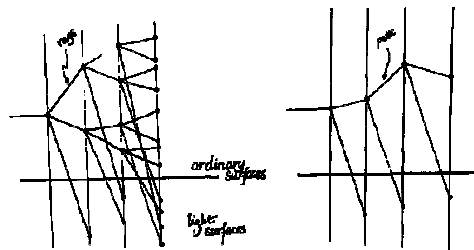
$$L = L_e + TL_e + T^2L_e + T^3L_e + \dots$$

## Path Tracing



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## Ray Tracing vs. Path Tracing



Ray tracing

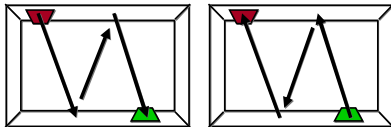
Path tracing

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## Bidirectional Path Tracing

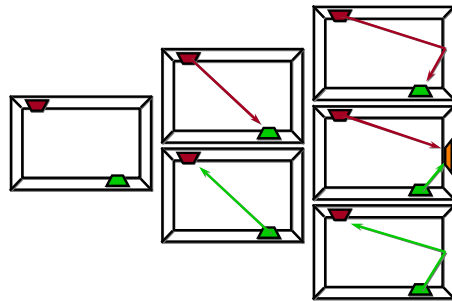


- Role of source and receiver can be switched, flux does not change



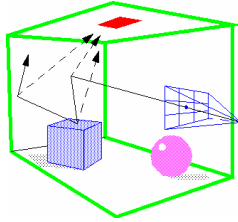
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## Bidirectional Path Tracing



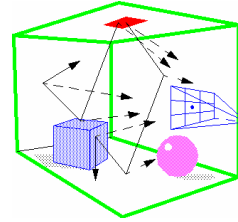
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### Tracing From Eye



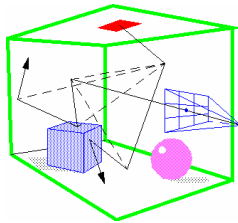
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### Tracing from Lights



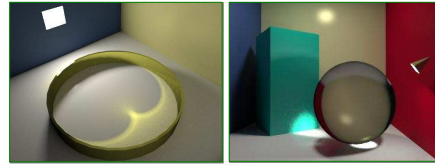
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### Bidirectional Path Tracing



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### Bidirectional Path Tracing



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### Radiosity



- Indirect diffuse illumination – LD<sup>2</sup>E

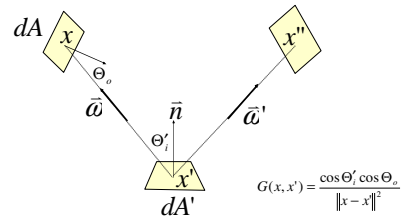


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### Rendering Equation (2)



$$L(x' \rightarrow x'') = L_e(x' \rightarrow x'') + \int_S f_r(x \rightarrow x' \rightarrow x'') L(x \rightarrow x') V(x, x') G(x, x') dA$$



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## Radiosity Equation



$$L(x' \rightarrow x'') = L_e(x' \rightarrow x'') + \int_S f_r(x' \rightarrow x' \rightarrow x'') L(x \rightarrow x') V(x, x') G(x, x') dA$$

Assume everything is Lambertian

$$\rho(x') = f_r(x' \rightarrow x' \rightarrow x'') \pi$$

$$L(x') = L_e(x') + \frac{\rho(x')}{\pi} \int_S L(x) V(x, x') G(x, x') dA$$

Convert to Radiosities

$$B = \int_{\Omega} L_v \cos \theta d\omega \quad L = \frac{B}{\pi}$$

$$B(x') = B_e(x') + \frac{\rho(x')}{\pi} \int_S B(x) V(x, x') G(x, x') dA$$

## Radiosity Approximation

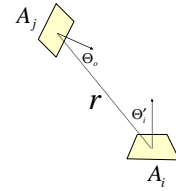


$$B(x') = B_e(x') + \frac{\rho(x')}{\pi} \int_S B(x) V(x, x') G(x, x') dA$$

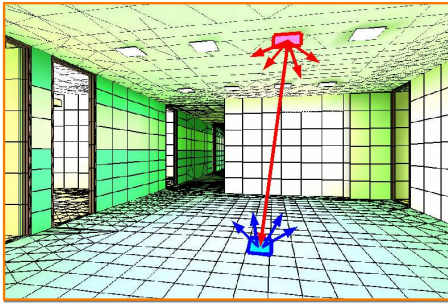
Discretize the surfaces into "elements"

$$B_i = E_i + \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N B_j F_{ij}$$

$$\text{where } F_{ij} = \frac{1}{A_i} \iint_{A_i} \iint_{A_j} \frac{V_{ij} \cos \Theta'_i \cos \Theta_j}{r^2} dA_j dA_i$$



## Radiosity Approximation



## System of Equations



$$B_i = E_i + \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N B_j F_{ij}$$

$$E_i = B_i - \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N B_j F_{ij}$$

$$B_i - \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N B_j F_{ij} = E_i$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 - \rho_1 F_{1,1} & \dots & \dots & -\rho_1 F_{1,n} \\ -\rho_2 F_{2,1} & 1 - \rho_2 F_{2,2} & \dots & -\rho_2 F_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -\rho_n F_{n,1} & \dots & \dots & 1 - \rho_n F_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \\ \vdots \\ B_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E_1 \\ E_2 \\ \vdots \\ E_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(1 - \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N F_{ij}) B_i - \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N F_{ij} B_j = E_i$$

$$B_i A_i = E_i A_i + \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N F_{ji} B_j A_j \quad \leftarrow \text{This is an energy balance equation}$$

## Summary



- Rendering is integration
  - Rendering equation
- Different solution methods for different path types
  - OpenGL - LDE
  - Ray tracing - LDS\*E
  - Path tracing - L(SD)\*E
  - Radiosity - LD\*E