

# Precept 7

# Raytracer

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# Overview

## Ray Intersection

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- Cone

## Textures

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# Ray Intersection – *Triangle*

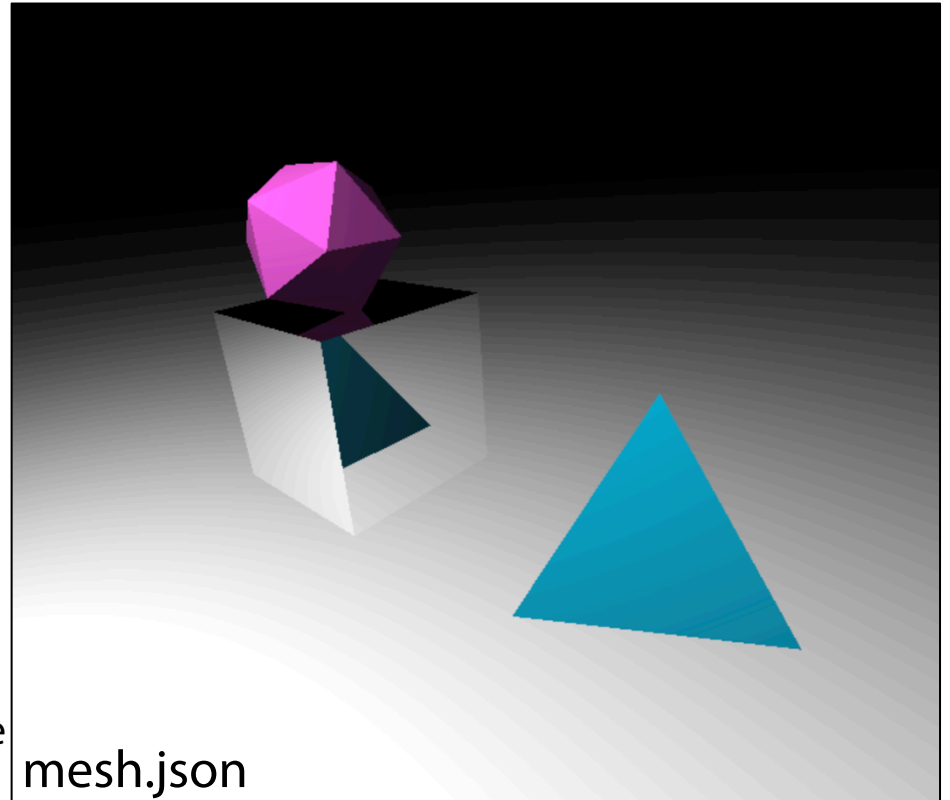
Plane:

$$N \cdot x = Dist$$

Triangle:

- Algebraic
- Geometric

For the normal on triangle at intersection:  
no requirement for pointing inside or outside



# Ray Intersection – *Triangle*

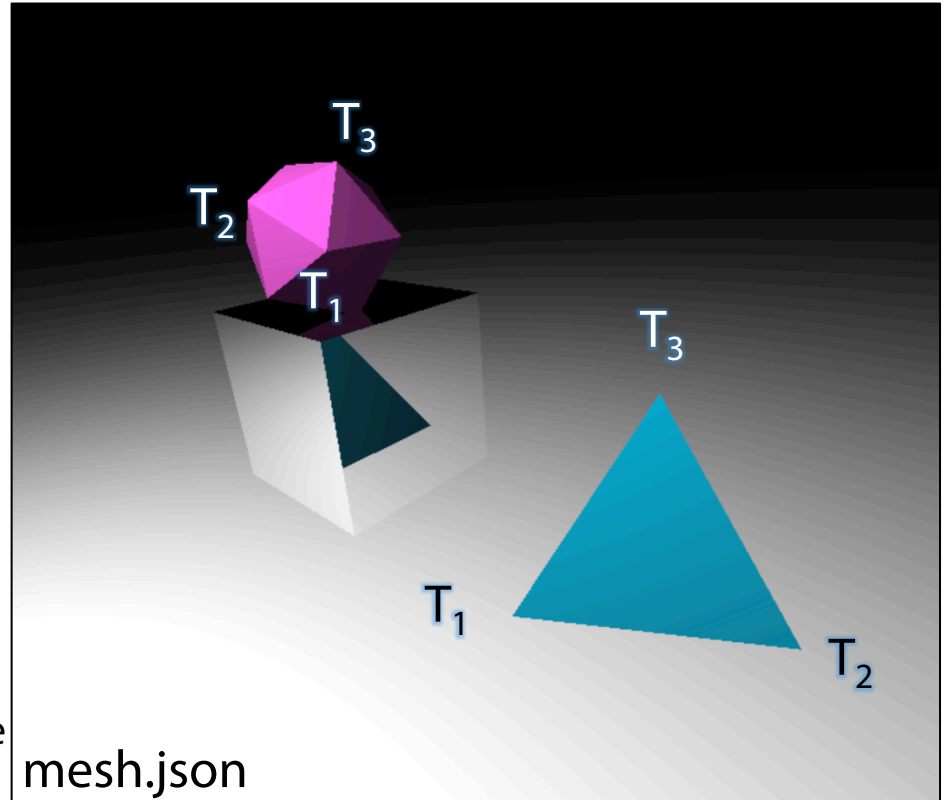
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# Ray Intersection – *Triangle*

## Geometric

$$N = \text{normalize}((T_2 - T_1) \times (T_3 - T_1))$$

P...

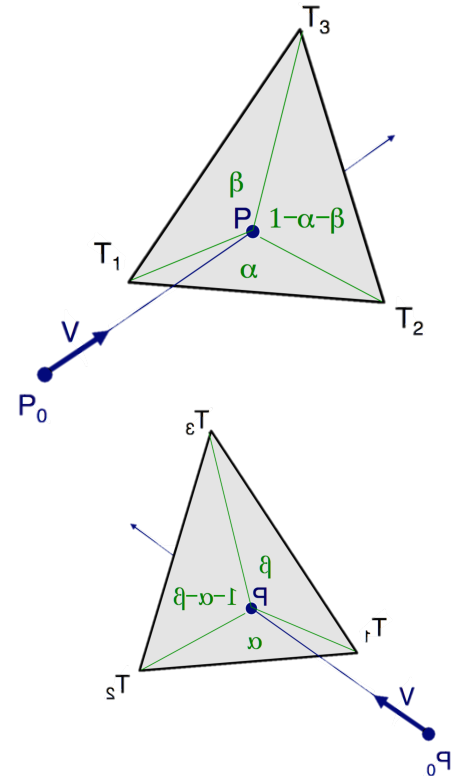
$$\alpha = \text{Area}(T_1 T_2 P) / \text{Area}(T_1 T_2 T_3)$$

$$\beta = \text{Area}(T_1 P T_3) / \text{Area}(T_1 T_2 T_3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area}(T_1 T_2 T_3) &= \frac{1}{2} \|(T_2 - T_1) \times (T_3 - T_1)\| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \langle (T_2 - T_1) \times (T_3 - T_1), N \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Area}(T_1 T_2 P) = \frac{1}{2} \langle (T_2 - T_1) \times (P - T_1), N \rangle$$

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# Ray Intersection – *Sphere*

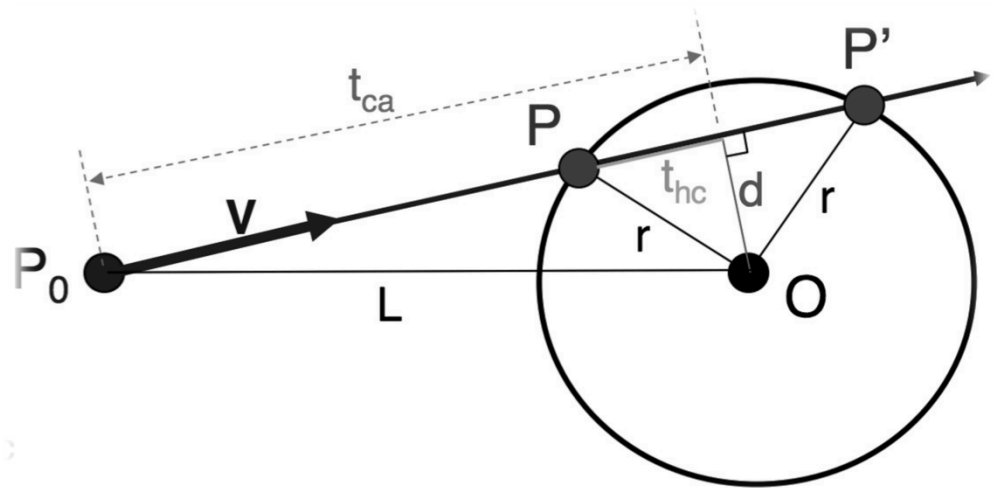
Look out reflecting/refracting ray!

$$P = P_0 + tV$$

$$t_1 = t_{ca} - t_{hc} \quad \checkmark$$

or

$$t_2 = t_{ca} + t_{hc} \quad \times$$



# Ray Intersection – *Sphere*

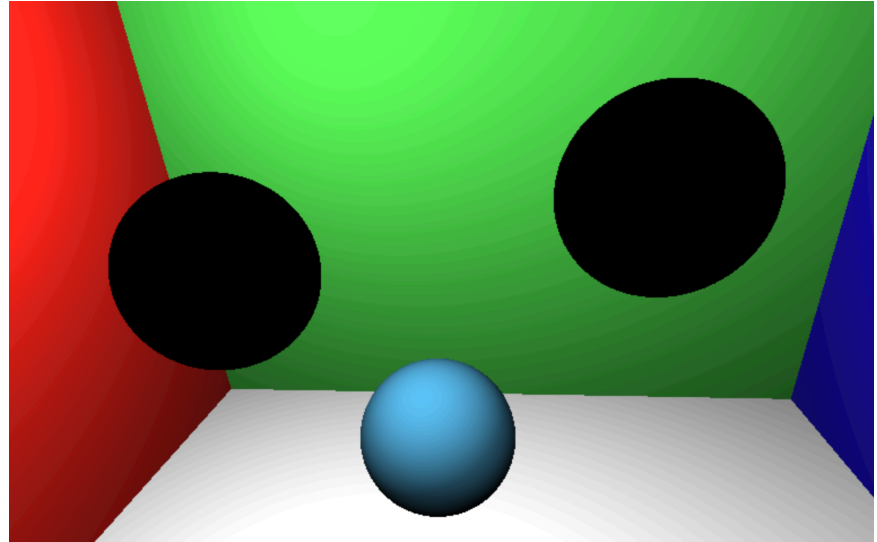
If we always choose the “nearest” one:

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or

$$t_2 = t_{ca} + t_{hc} \quad \times$$



When a reflective/refractive ray bounds at an intersection,  $t_1 = 0$

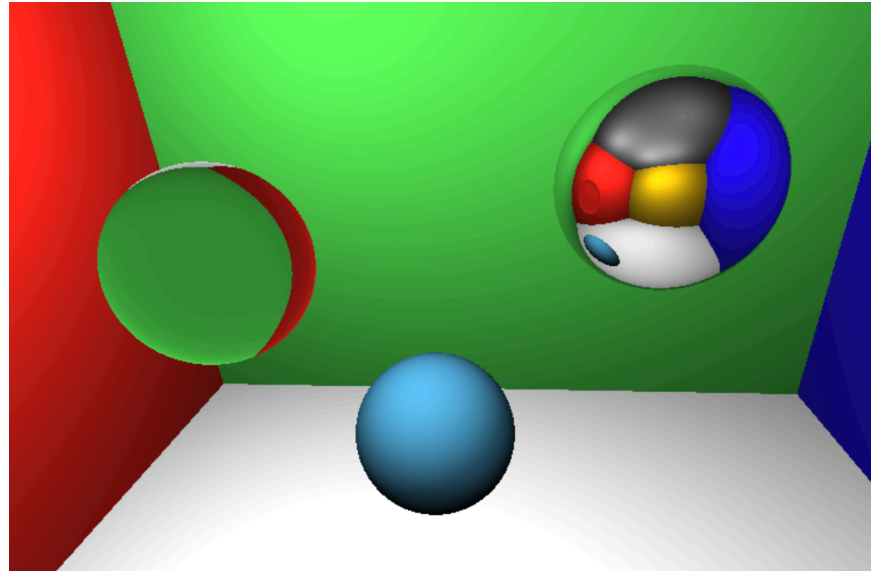
# Ray Intersection – *Sphere*

Check the “nearest valid(positive)” intersection

$$t_1 = t_{ca} - t_{hc}$$

$$t_2 = t_{ca} + t_{hc}$$

If ( $t_1 > 0$ ) return  $t_1$ ;  
elseif ( $t_2 > 0$ ) return  $t_2$ ;  
return INFINITY;





# Ray Intersection – *Sphere*

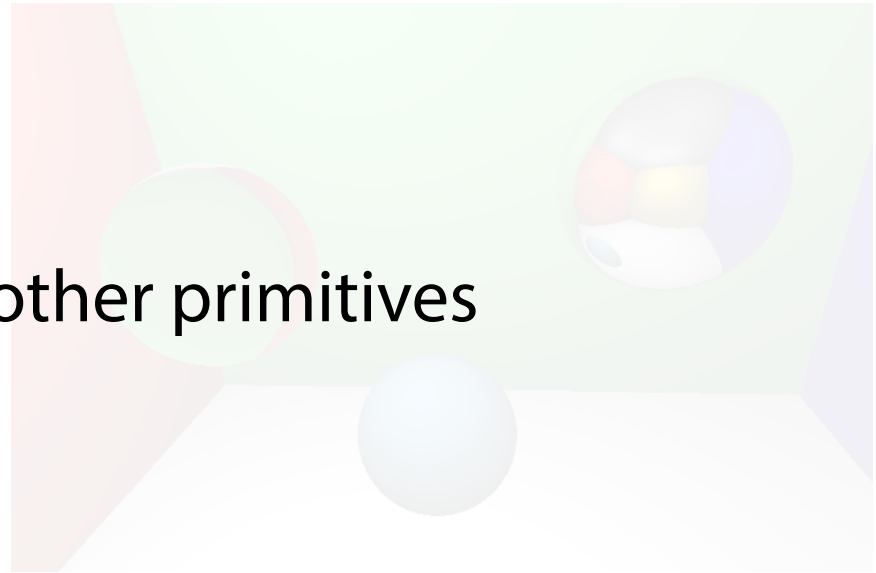
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$$t_1 = t_{ca} - t_{hc}$$

$$t_2 = t_{ca} + t_{hc}$$

Same for other primitives

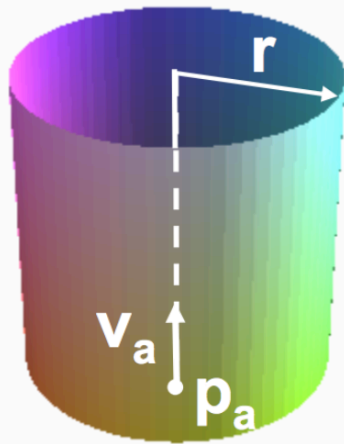
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If (t1 > 0) return t1;  
elseif (t2 > 0) return t2;  
return INFINITY;
```



# Ray Intersection – *Cylinder*

1. Intersect with open cylinder  
& Check if the intersection is between the planes
2. Intersect with two caps
3. Out of all intersections, choose the one with minimal dist

# Ray Intersection – *Infinite Cylinder*



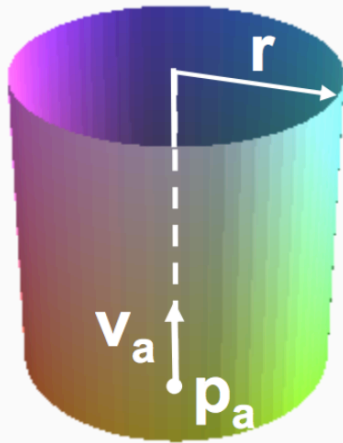
Infinite cylinder along  $y$  of radius  $r$  axis has equation  $x^2 + z^2 - r^2 = 0$ .

The equation for a more general cylinder of radius  $r$  oriented along a line  $p_a + v_a t$ :

$$(q - p_a - (v_a, q - p_a)v_a)^2 - r^2 = 0$$

where  $q = (x, y, z)$  is a point on the cylinder.

# Ray Intersection – *Infinite Cylinder*



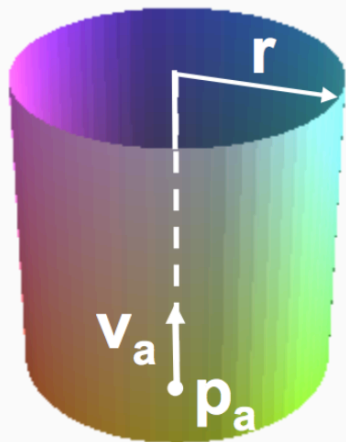
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# Ray Intersection – *Infinite Cylinder*



To find intersection points with a ray  $p + vt$ , substitute  $q = p + vt$  and solve:

$$(p - p_a + vt - (v_a, p - p_a + vt)v_a)^2 - r^2 = 0$$

reduces to  $At^2 + Bt + C = 0$

with

$$A = (v - (v, v_a)v_a)^2$$

$$B = 2(v - (v, v_a)v_a, \Delta p - (\Delta p, v_a)v_a)$$

$$C = (\Delta p - (\Delta p, v_a)v_a)^2 - r^2$$

where  $\Delta p = p - p_a$

# Ray Intersection – *Cylinder*

**POV -ray like cylinder with caps : cap centers at  $p_1$  and  $p_2$ , radius  $r$ .**

**Infinite cylinder equation:  $p_a = p_1$ ,  $v_a = (p_2 - p_1) / |p_2 - p_1|$**

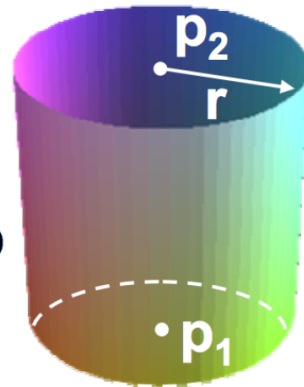
**The finite cylinder (without caps) is described by equations:**

$$(q - p_a - (v_a, q - p_a)v_a)^2 - r^2 = 0 \text{ and } (v_a, q - p_1) > 0 \text{ and } (v_a, q - p_2) < 0$$

**The equations for caps are:**

$$(v_a, q - p_1) = 0, (q - p_1)^2 < r^2 \quad \text{bottom cap}$$

$$(v_a, q - p_2) = 0, (q - p_2)^2 < r^2 \quad \text{top cap}$$

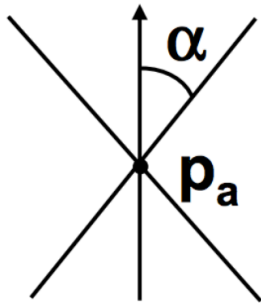
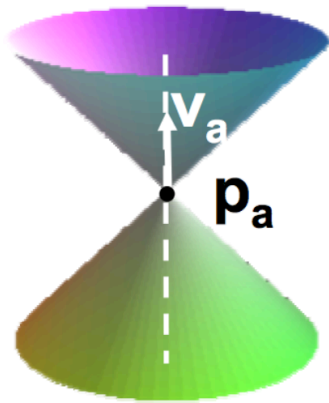


# Ray Intersection – *Cone*

Similar to cylinder:

1. Intersect with open cone  
& Check if the intersection is between the planes
2. Intersect with the cap
3. Out of all intersections, choose the one with minimal dist

# Ray Intersection – *Infinite Cone*



Infinite cone along  $y$  with apex half-angle  $\alpha$  has equation  $x^2 + z^2 - y^2 = 0$ .

The equation for a more general cone oriented along a line  $p_a + v_a t$ , with apex at  $p_a$ :

$$\cos^2 \alpha (q - p_a - (v_a, q - p_a)v_a)^2 - \sin^2 \alpha (v_a, q - p_a)^2 = 0$$

where  $q = (x, y, z)$  is a point on the cone, and  $v_a$  is assumed to be of unit length.



# Ray Intersection – *Infinite Cone*

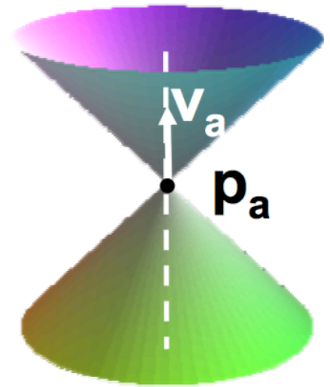
Similar to the case of the cylinder: substitute  $q = p + vt$  into the equation, find the coefficients A, B, C of the quadratic equation, solve for t. Denote  $\Delta p = p - p_a$ .

$$\cos^2 \alpha (\mathbf{v}t + \Delta \mathbf{p} - (\mathbf{v}_a, \mathbf{v}t + \Delta \mathbf{p}) \mathbf{v}_a)^2 - \sin^2 \alpha (\mathbf{v}_a, \mathbf{v}t + \Delta \mathbf{p})^2 = 0$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \cos^2 \alpha (\mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_a) \mathbf{v}_a)^2 - \sin^2 \alpha (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_a)^2$$

$$\mathbf{B} = 2 \cos^2 \alpha (\mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_a) \mathbf{v}_a, \Delta \mathbf{p} - (\Delta \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{v}_a) \mathbf{v}_a) - 2 \sin^2 \alpha (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_a) (\Delta \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{v}_a)$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \cos^2 \alpha (\Delta \mathbf{p} - (\Delta \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{v}_a) \mathbf{v}_a)^2 - \sin^2 \alpha (\Delta \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{v}_a)^2$$



# Ray Intersection – *Infinite Cone*

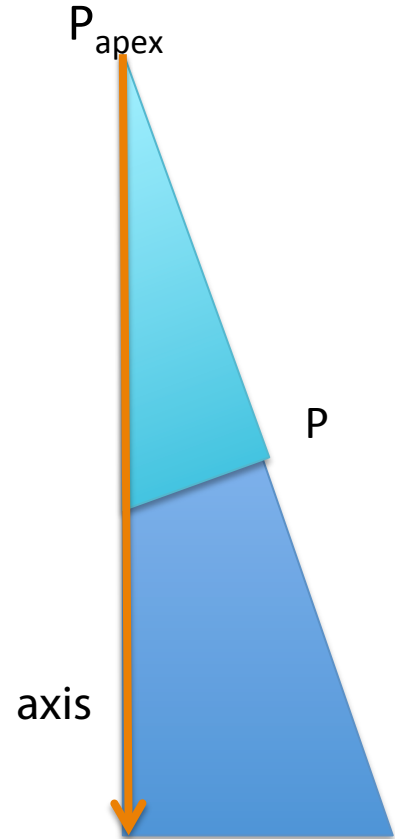
In the assignment,

$$N_{\text{axis}} = \text{normalize}(\text{axis});$$

To get the normal in the infinite cone:

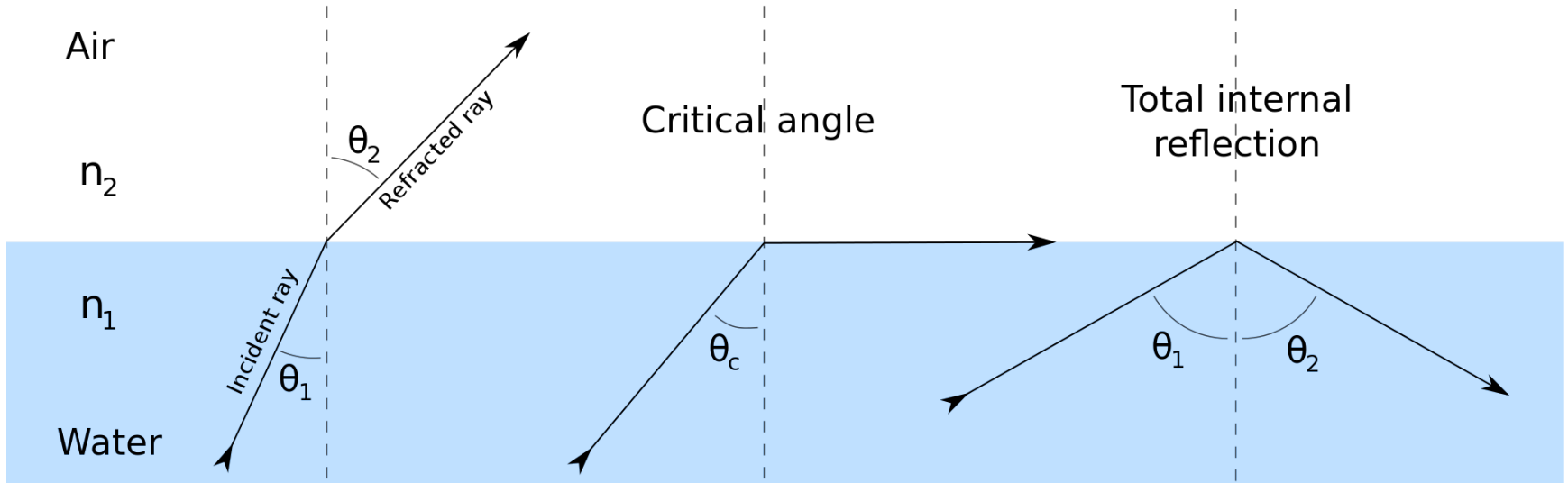
$$E = P - P_{\text{apex}}$$

$$\text{Normal} = \text{normalize}(E - \|E\|/\text{COS } \alpha * N_{\text{axis}});$$



# Refraction

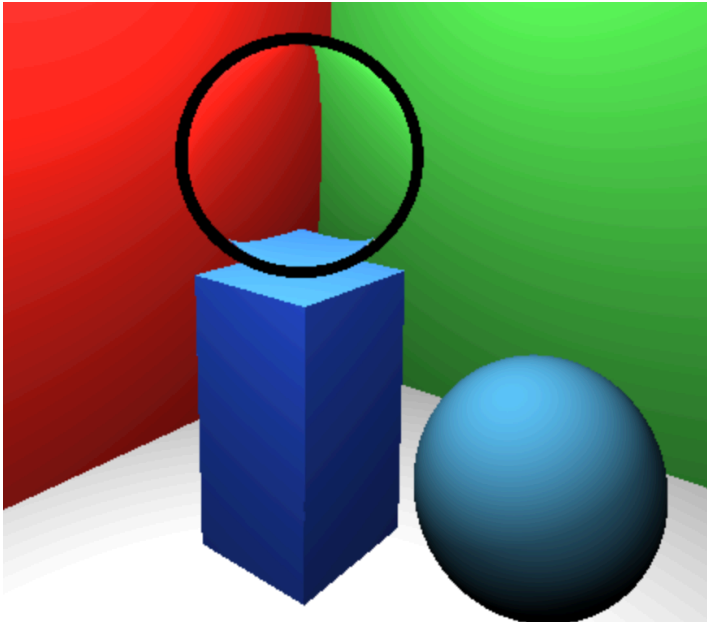
From a medium with a **higher** refractive index to a **lower** one



# Refraction

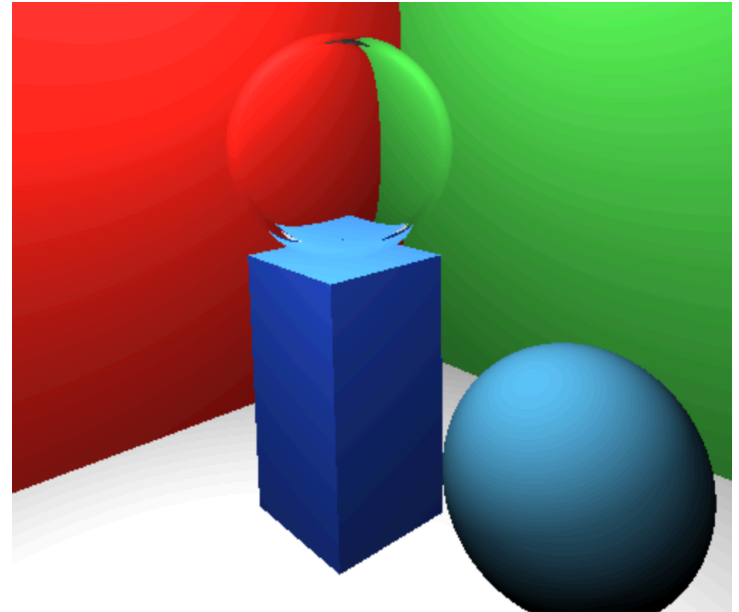
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When  $\theta >$  critical angle,  
you could let refraction return black;



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Or you could return internal reflection;



In this scene, the “refraction ratio” of the sphere = 1.1

# Texture

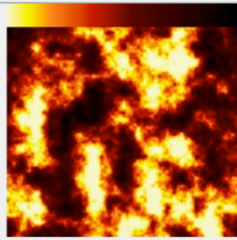
- Checkerboard
  - 2D:  $\text{floor}(x) + \text{floor}(y)$  is odd/even
  - 3D: view normal as the z-axis for the new coordinate, then find x, y

# Texture

- Special: Perlin noise



Using noise as an offset to create handwritten lines.



By applying a simple gradient, a procedural fire texture can be created.

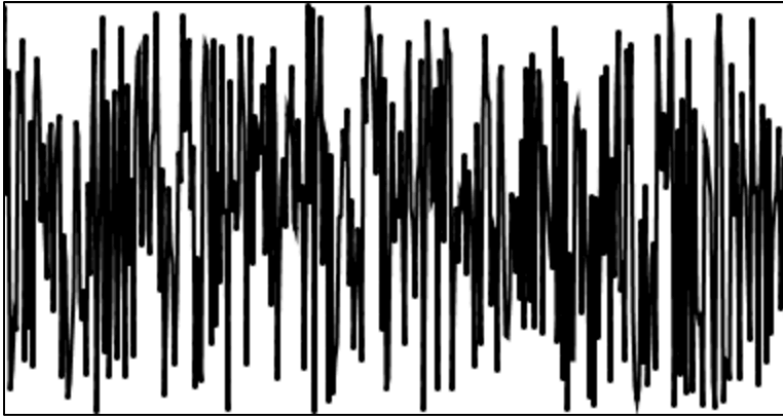


Perhaps the quintessential use of Perlin noise today, terrain can be created with caves and caverns using a modified Perlin Noise implementation.

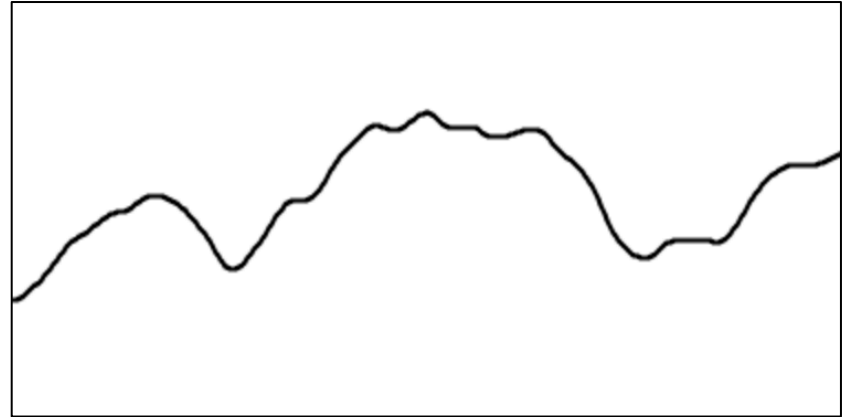


# Perlin Noise

Random

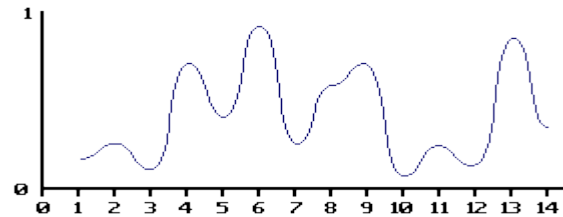
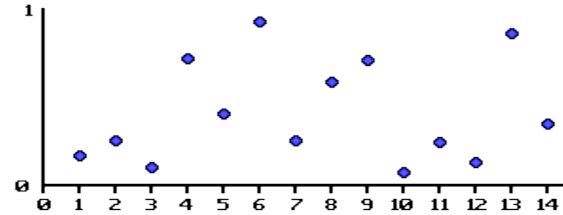


Perlin



# Idea

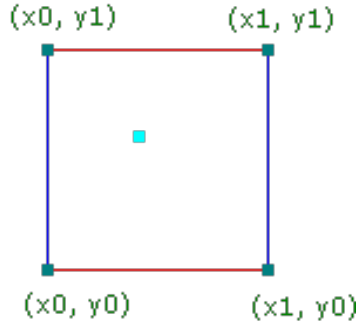
1. Generate random values at grid points.
2. Interpolate smoothly between these values.





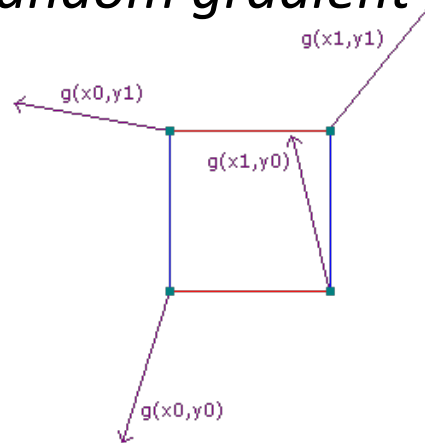
# Perlin Noise

Step 1 Cut to grids



[Code for Random](#)

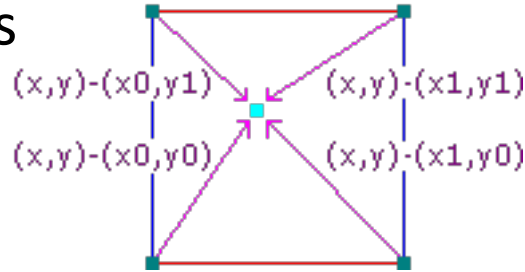
Step 2 *Pseudorandom gradient vector.*



[NEW] Randomly pick from  
 $(1,1,0), (-1,1,0), (1,-1,0), (-1,-1,0),$   
 $(1,0,1), (-1,0,1), (1,0,-1), (-1,0,-1),$   
 $(0,1,1), (0,-1,1), (0,1,-1), (0,-1,-1)$

# Perlin Noise

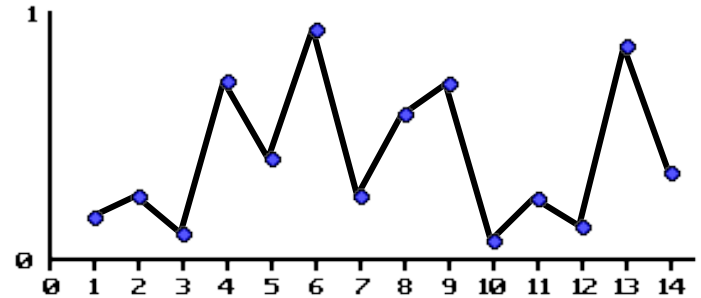
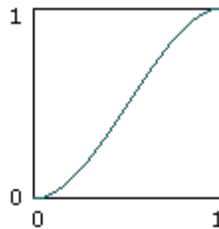
Step 3 Distance vectors



Step 4 Dot product on each grid point  $\langle V_{grad}, V_{dist} \rangle$

Step 5 Interpolation

fade function:  $6t^5 - 15t^4 + 10t^3$



# Hard Shadow

lightVec is the vector from that position to that light

Step 1 generate a ray from position to light

Step 2 find intersection length(distance)

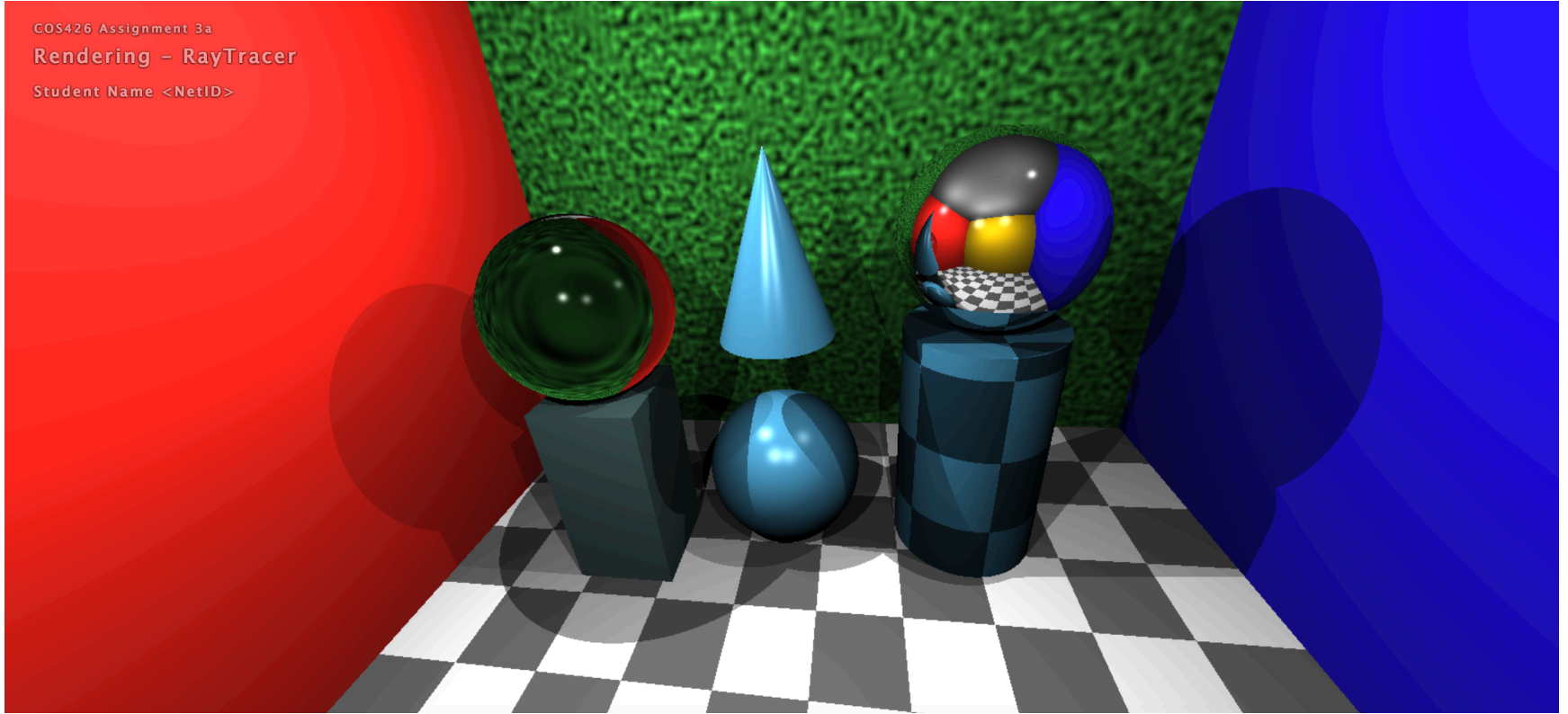
Step 3 if distance is positive and before hitting the light (smaller than the length of lightVec) return true;

# Hard Shadow

COS426 Assignment 3a

Rendering - RayTracer

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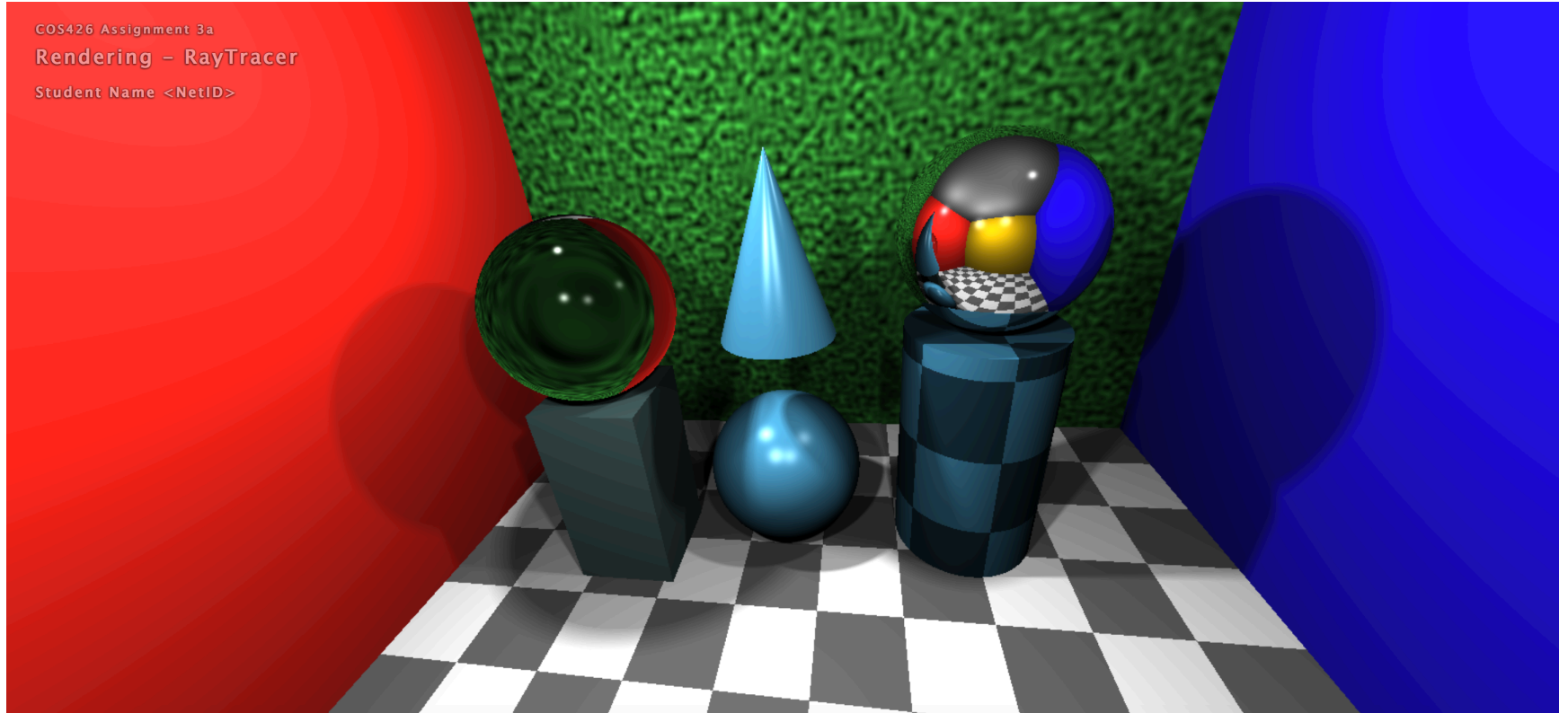


# Soft Shadow

COS426 Assignment 3a

Rendering - RayTracer

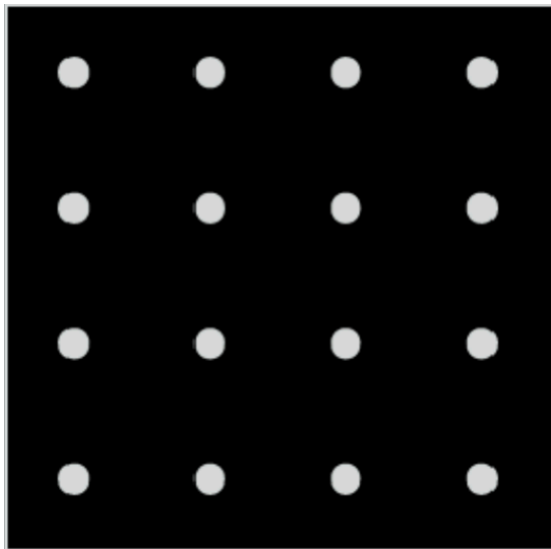
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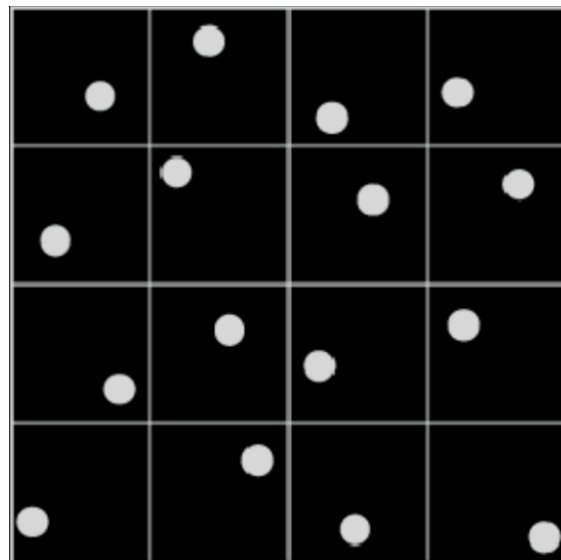
# Soft Shadow

Shoot rays around the point light - grid

- Uniformly sample
- Randomly sample



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# Soft Shadow

Shoot rays around the point light - sphere

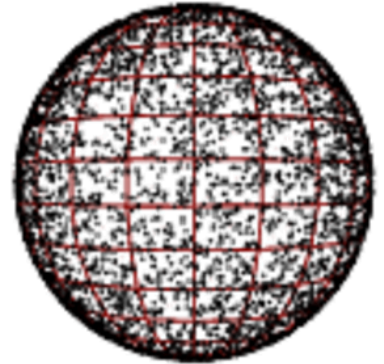
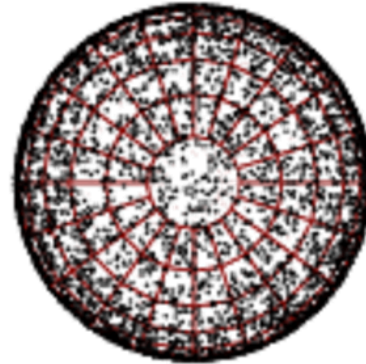
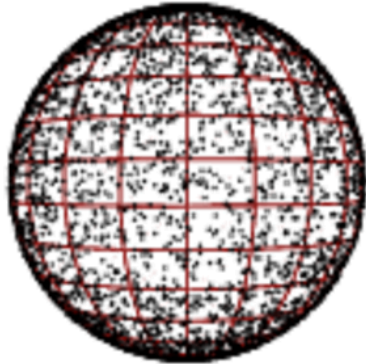
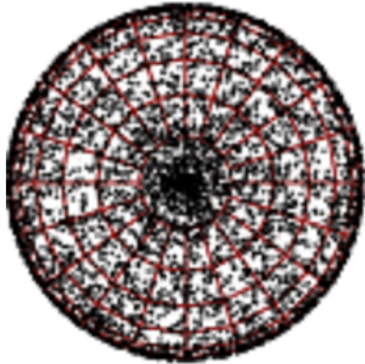
- Sample by  $\theta [0, 2\pi)$  and  $\phi [0, \pi)$  • Sample by *solid angle*

*top view*

*side view*

*top view*

*side view*



# Soft Shadow

```
float pointShadowRatio ( vec3 pos, vec3 lightVec ) {  
    float count = 0.0;  
    for i = 1...k  
    for j = 1...k  
        Randomly Sample a new light ray around the original light  
        if not pointInShadow(pos, newLightVec)  
            count += 1.0;  
    return count/float(k*k);  
}
```

In `function getLightContribution`

Comment `if pointInshadow return black;`

Modify `return` to `contribution * pointShadowRatio` (or `diffuseColor * pointShadowRatio`)



# Soft Shadow

Randomly Sample:

$$(X, y, z) = \left( \begin{array}{l} 2x_1 \sqrt{1-x_1^2-x_2^2} \\ 2x_2 \sqrt{1-x_1^2-x_2^2} \\ 1-2(x_1^2+x_2^2) \end{array} \right)$$

) random  $x_1, x_2$  in  $[-1, 1]$

or (

$$\begin{array}{l} x = \sqrt{1-u^2} \cos \theta \\ y = \sqrt{1-u^2} \sin \theta \\ z = u, \end{array}$$

) random  $u$  in  $[-1, 1]$ ,  $\theta$  in  $[0, 2\pi)$

# Animation

In intersection with sphere,

Center.Y +=  $K1 * \text{abs}(\text{round}(\text{frame}/K2) - \text{frame}/K2)$

