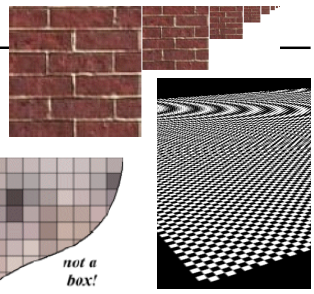
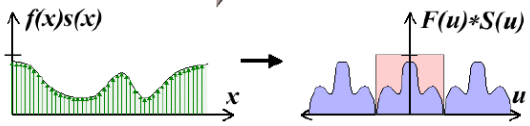
Subsurface Scattering & Complex Material Properties

Last Time?

- What is a Pixel?
- Aliasing
- Fourier Analysis
- Sampling & Reconstruction
- Mip maps





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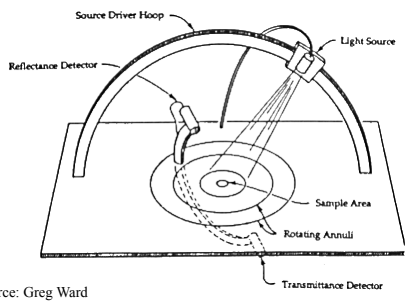
BRDFs in the Movie Industry

- Agent Smith's clothes are CG, with measured BRDF

Measured BRDF in film production: realistic cloth appearance for "The Matrix Reloaded"
Borshukov, SIGGRAPH 2003 Sketches & Applications

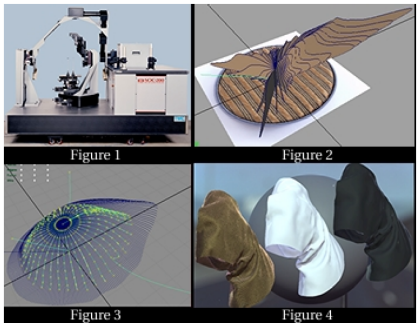
How Do We Obtain BRDFs?

- Gonioreflectometer
  - 4 degrees of freedom



Source: Greg Ward

BRDFs in the Movie Industry



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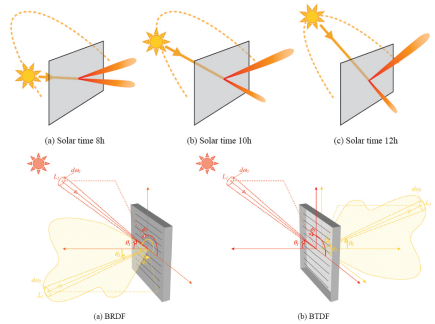
BRDFs in the Movie Industry

Photo CG Photo CG

Not just a BRDF…

Realistic human face rendering for "The Matrix Reloaded"
Borshukov & Lewis, SIGGRAPH 2003 Sketches & Applications

Materials – BRDF & BTDF



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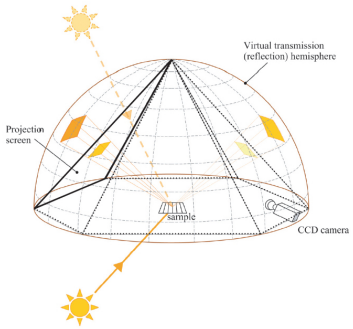
Measuring Materials



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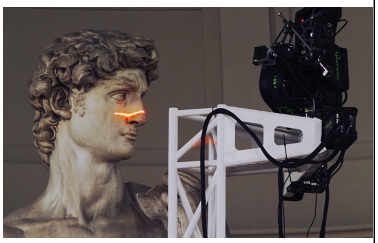
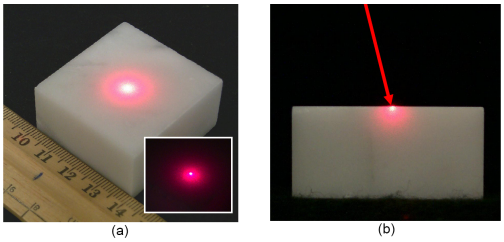
3D Digitizing

Cyberware



The Digital Michelangelo Project: 3D Scanning of Large Statues,
Levoy et al., *SIGGRAPH 2000*

Scattering & Scanning



(a) (b)

Figure 1: Diffusion in a sample of Carrara Statuario marble.

An Assessment of Laser Range Measurement of Marble Surfaces, Godin et al, 2001.

Questions?

Reading for Today:

- "Radiance Caching for Participating Media", Jarosz, Donner, Zwicker, & Jensen, 2008.

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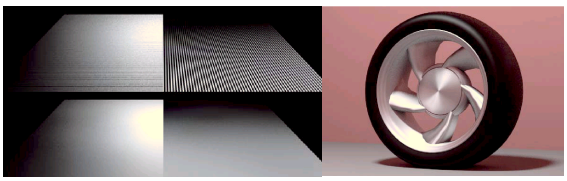
Anisotropic BRDFs

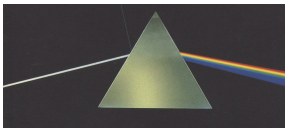
- Surfaces with strongly oriented microgeometry
- Examples:
  - brushed metals, hair, fur, cloth, velvet



Source: Westin et.al 92

What makes a Rainbow?

- Refraction is wavelength-dependent
  - Refraction increases as the wavelength of light decreases
  - violet and blue experience more bending than orange and red
- Usually ignored in graphics
- Rainbow is caused by refraction + internal reflection + refraction

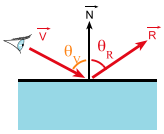


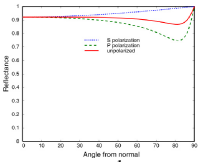
Pink Floyd, *The Dark Side of the Moon*

From "Color and Light in Nature" by Lynch and Livingstone

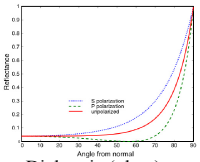
Amount of Reflection

- Traditional ray tracing (hack)
  - Constant **`reflectionColor`**
- More realistic:
  - Fresnel reflection term (more reflection at grazing angle)
  - Schlick's approximation: $R(\theta)=R_0+(1-R_0)(1-\cos\theta)^5$





metal



Dielectric (glass)

Dusty Surfaces & Retro-Reflection

- Viewed perpendicular to the surface, there is little scattering off dust
- At grazing angles, there is increased scattering with the dust making the surface appear brighter
- Similarly, the earth viewed from space appears brighter near the edges, because of increased scattering of the atmosphere.

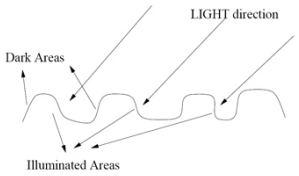
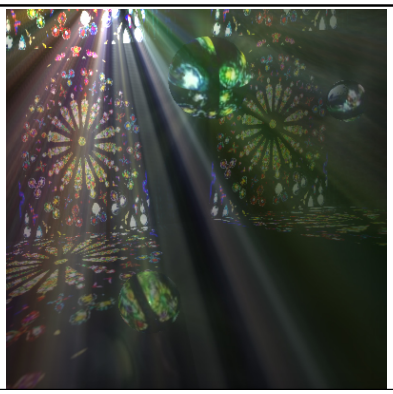


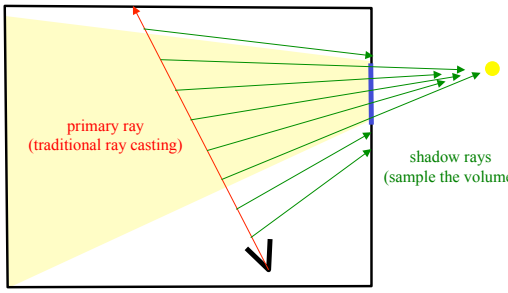
Figure 5: Showing retroreflection from a very rough surface (left). Only areas with normals close to the light direction are well lit, so there is a strong retroreflective peak. On the right, we see a corner reflector (the inside corner of 3 planes is the 3D analog) which produces the same effect.

Light Rays in a Dusty Room



Annie Ding, MIT
6.837 Final Project
December, 2004

Ray Tracing Participating Media



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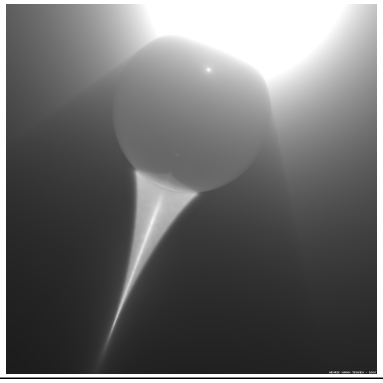

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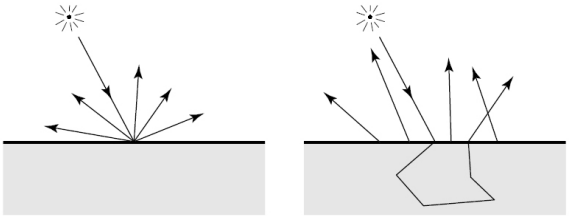
BRDF vs. BSSRDF



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Sampling a BSSRDF

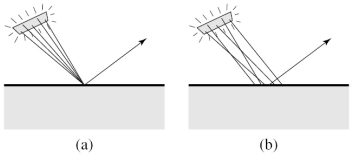

Figure 7: (a) Sampling a BRDF (traditional sampling), (b) sampling a BSSRDF (the sample points are distributed both over the surface as well as the light).

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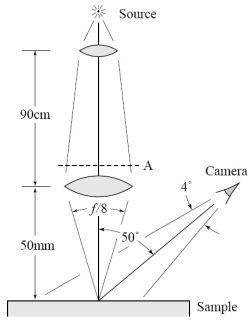
Subsurface Scattering Variables

Name	Symbol	Units	Description
Scattering Coeff.	σ_s	$(\text{length})^{-1}$	Probability of scattering per unit length
Absorption Coeff.	σ_a	$(\text{length})^{-1}$	Probability of absorbtion per unit length
Phase Function	$p(x, \vec{\omega}', \vec{\omega})$		Angular distribution of scattering
Extinction Coeff.	σ_t	$(\text{length})^{-1}$	$\sigma_a + \sigma_s$
(Scattering) Albedo	A		σ_s / σ_t
Optical Depth	$\tau(0, d)$		$\int_0^d \sigma_t dx$
Transmittance	$t(0, d)$		$e^{-\tau(0,d)}$

- Albedo: first approximation of BRDF,
  % of light reflected off the surface
  - When the albedo = 1, no absorption occurs and light is only transmitted or scattered. This is an ok approximation for snow or clouds.

BSSRDF Measurement



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Single Scattering

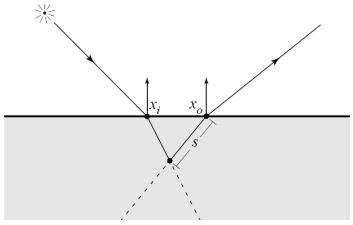

Figure 4: Single scattering occurs only when the refracted incoming and outgoing rays intersect, and is computed as an integral over path length s along the refracted outgoing ray.

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Dipole Approx. for Diffuse Scattering

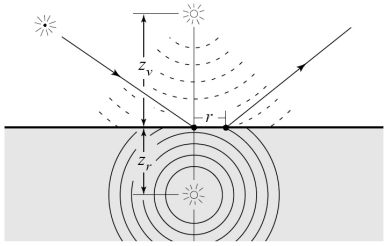

Figure 3: An incoming ray is transformed into a dipole source for the diffusion approximation.

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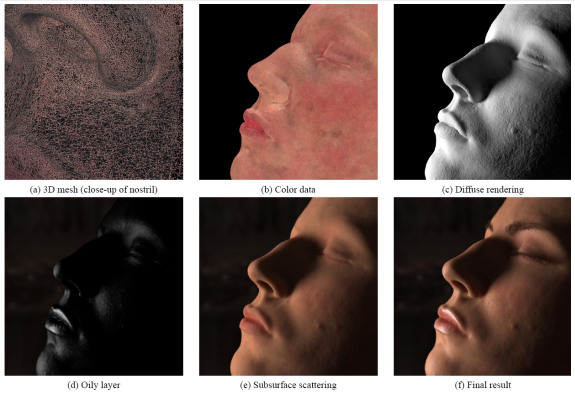


"Digital Face Cloning", Jensen, SIGGRAPH Sketch 2003

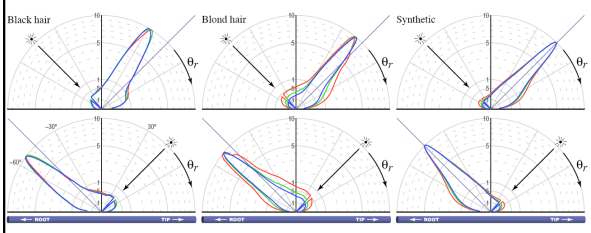
"Light Diffusion in Multi-Layered Translucent Materials" Donner & Jensen, *SIGGRAPH 2005*

Measuring BSSRDF by Dilution

"Acquiring Scattering Properties of Participating Media by Dilution"
Narasimhan et al. SIGGRAPH 2006

(a) Acquired photographs (b) Rendering at low concentrations (c) Rendering at natural concentrations

Measuring Hair



Black hair **Blond hair** **Synthetic (wig)**

"Light Scattering from Human Hair Fibers"
Marschner et al., SIGGRAPH 2003

Rendering Hair

Old Method **New Method** **Photo**

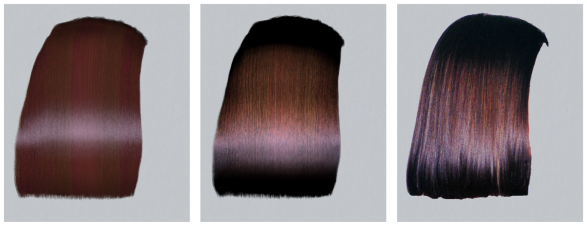


Figure 12: A comparison of Kajiya and Kay's model (left) under a single point source, our proposed model (center) with the same lighting, and the hair from the photograph in Figure 11 (removed from context to simplify the comparison). The Kajiya model's diffuse term results in a flat appearance, while the secondary highlight in our model correctly captures the colored shading of the real hair.

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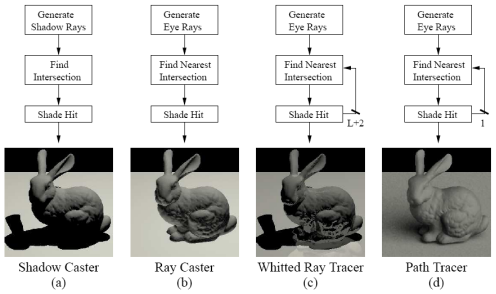
- "Ray Tracing on Programmable Graphics Hardware Purcell", Buck, Mark, & Hanrahan SIGGRAPH 2002



Shadow Caster (a) | Ray Caster (b) | Whitted Ray Tracer (c) | Path Tracer (d)