

Radiosity

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- Radiosity & Global Illumination, F.X. Sillion & C. Puech
- SIGGRAPH'93 Education Slide Set
- ...

Lecture outline

➔ Introduction

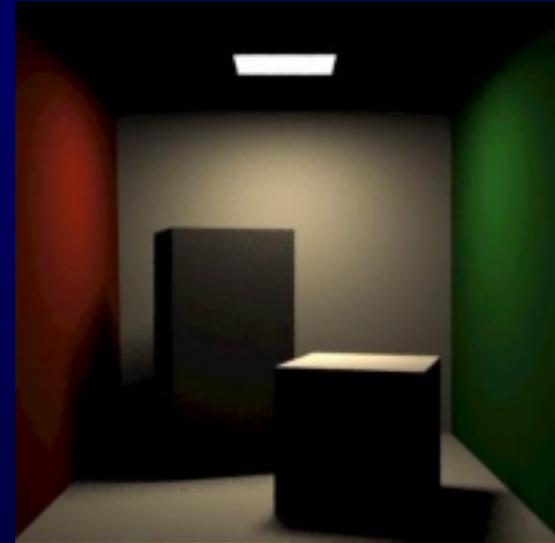
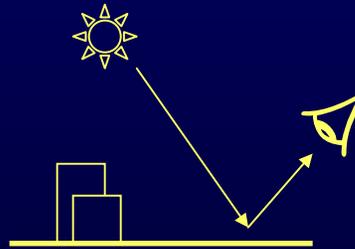
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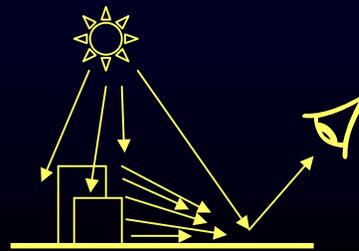
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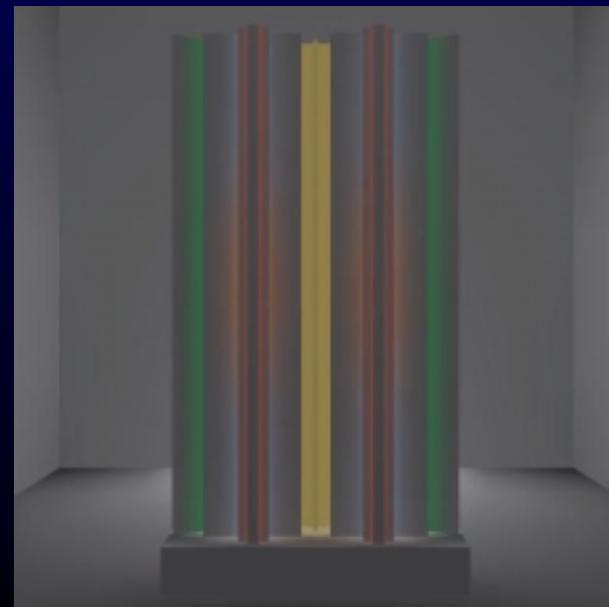
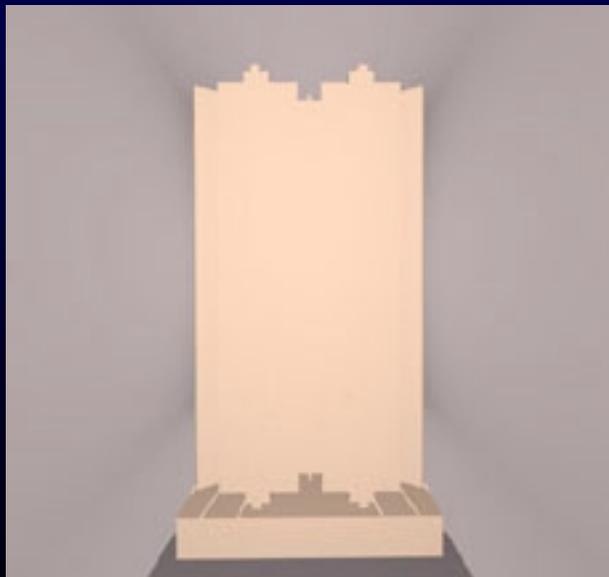
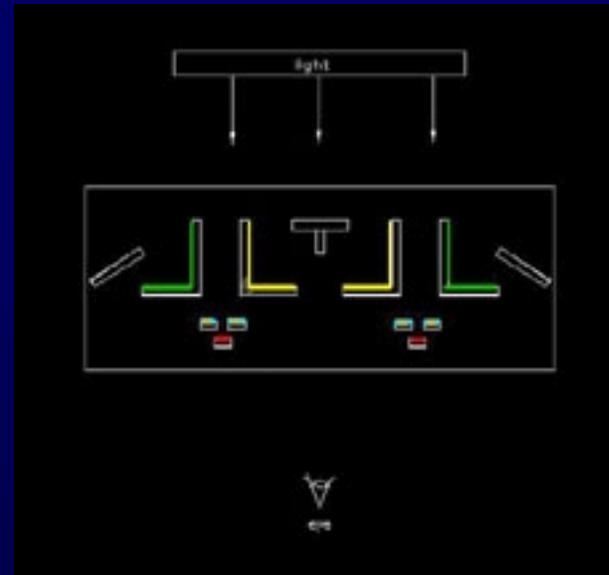
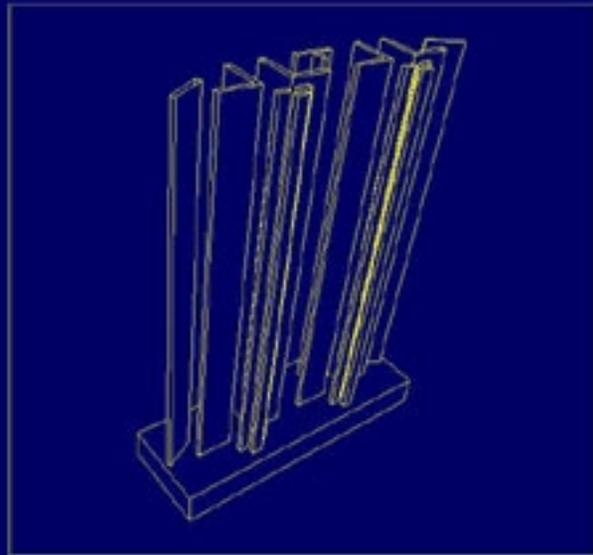
Introduction

- **Local illumination:**
 - source of illumination \equiv light



- **Global illumination:**
 - source of illumination \equiv any object





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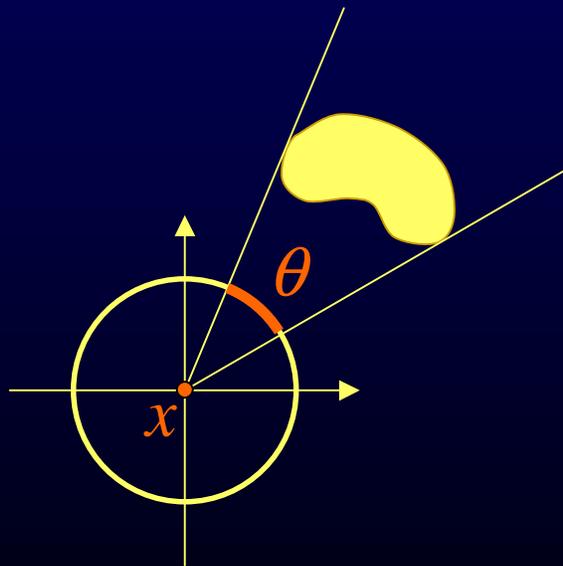
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What quantities are we dealing with?

Solid angle

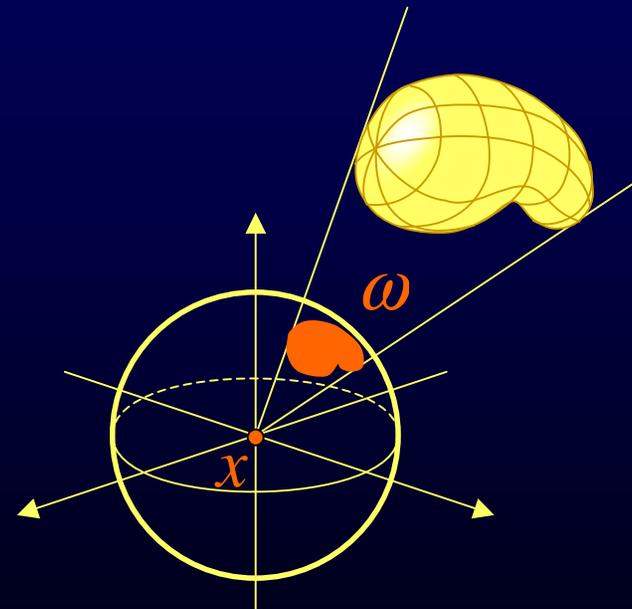
What is the 'size' of an object from a point?

- **Angle**



unit circle $\equiv 2\pi$ radians

- **Solid angle**

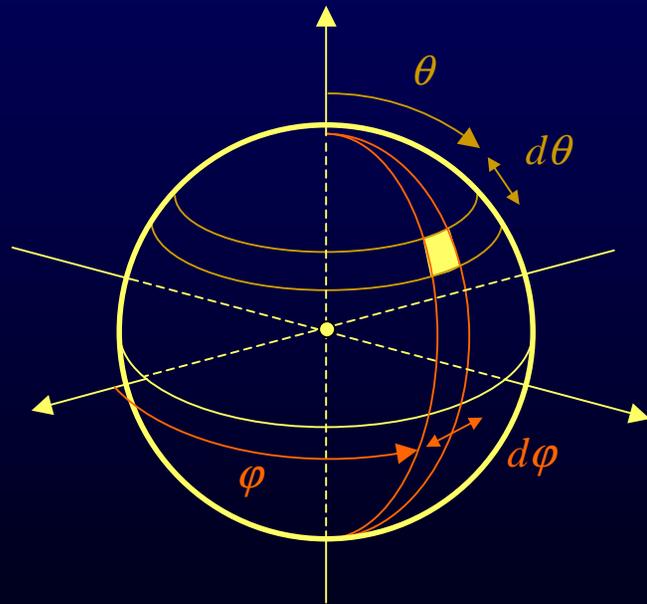


unit sphere $\equiv 4\pi$ steradians (sr)

Solid angle

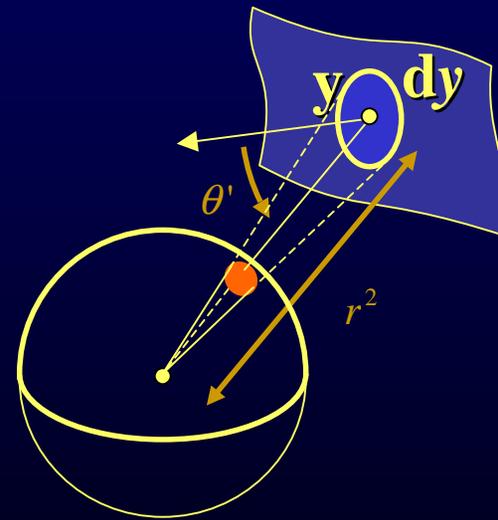
How is it related to other units?

- Solid angle in spherical coordinates



$$d\omega = \sin \theta d\varphi d\theta$$

- Solid angle subtended by area dy

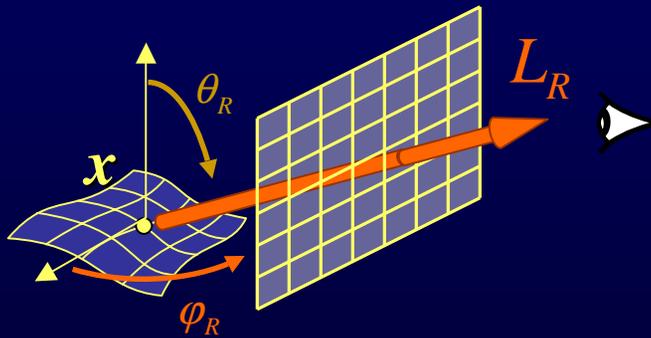


$$d\omega = \frac{dy \cos \theta'}{r^2}$$

Radiance & Radiosity

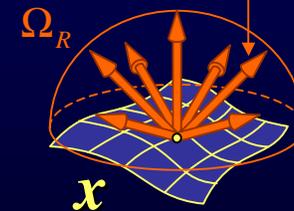
What is the relevant quantity for light?

- Radiance $L_R(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R)$

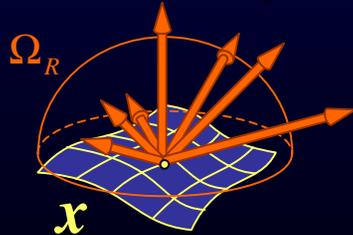


- Ideal diffuse reflector case:

$$L_R(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R) \equiv L_R(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} B(x)$$



- Radiosity $B(x)$



$$B(x) = \int_{\Omega_R} L_R(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R) \cos\theta_R d\omega_R$$

$L_R(x)$

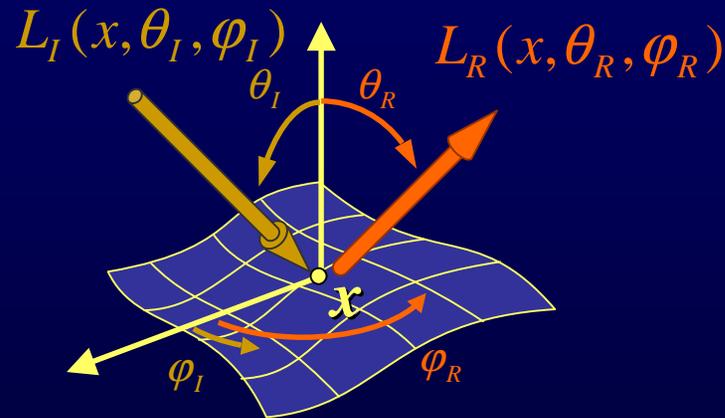
$L_G(x) \equiv$ 'color of light'

$L_B(x)$

BRDF & DHRF

How are described surfaces?

- **BRDF** (Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function)



$$\rho_{bd}(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R, \theta_I, \varphi_I) = \frac{L_R(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R)}{L_I(x, \theta_I, \varphi_I) \cos \theta_I d\omega_I}$$

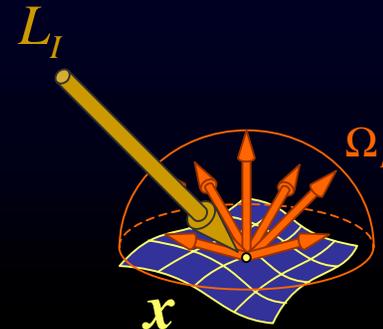
- **Ideal diffuse reflector case:**

$$\rho_{bd}(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R, \theta_I, \varphi_I) \equiv \rho_{bd}(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \rho_{dh}(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{dh}^R(x) &\in [0,1] \\ \rho_{dh}^G(x) &\in [0,1] \\ \rho_{dh}^B(x) &\in [0,1] \end{aligned} \equiv \text{'color of surface'}$$

- **DHRF** (Directional Hemispherical Reflectance Function)

$$\rho_{dh}(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R) = \frac{\int_{\Omega_R} L_R(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R) \cos \theta_R d\omega_R}{L_I(x, \theta_I, \varphi_I) \cos \theta_I d\omega_I}$$



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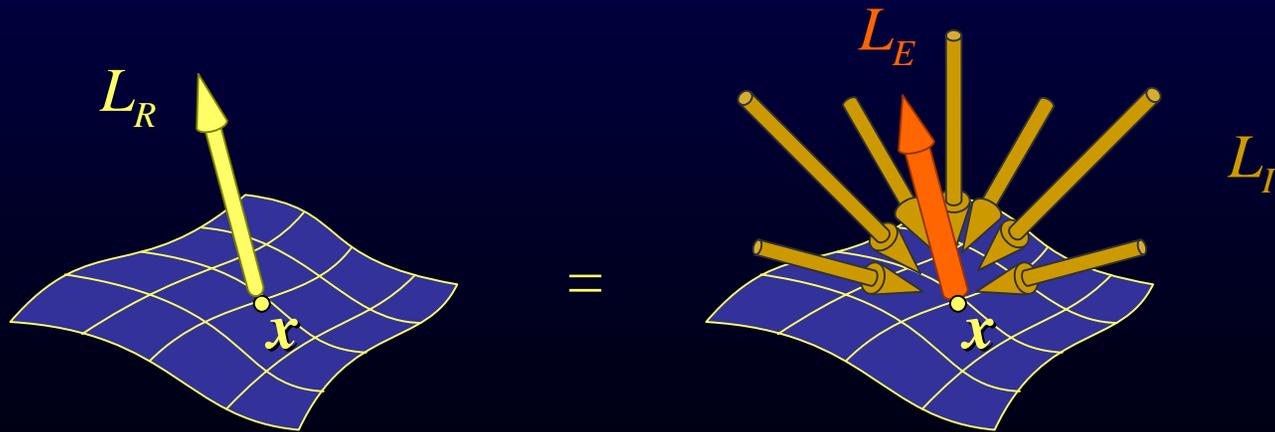


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Global Illumination Equation

How can it lead to the Radiosity Equation?

$$L_R(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R) = L_E(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R) + \int_{\Omega_I} \rho_{bd}(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R, \theta_I, \varphi_I) L_I(x, \theta_I, \varphi_I) \cos \theta_I d\omega_I$$

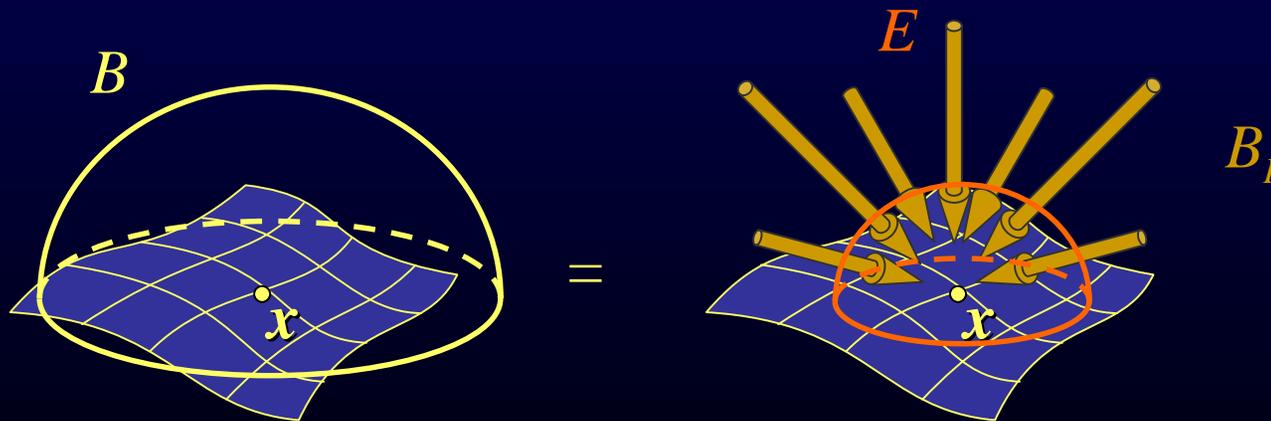


Ideal diffuse reflectors

Equation

$$L_R(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R) = L_E(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R) + \int_{\Omega_I} \rho_{bd}(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R, \theta_I, \varphi_I) L_I(x, \theta_I, \varphi_I) \cos \theta_I d\omega_I$$

$$B(x) = E(x) + \rho_{dh}(x) \int_{\Omega_I} \frac{1}{\pi} B_I(x, \theta_I, \varphi_I) \cos \theta_I d\omega_I$$



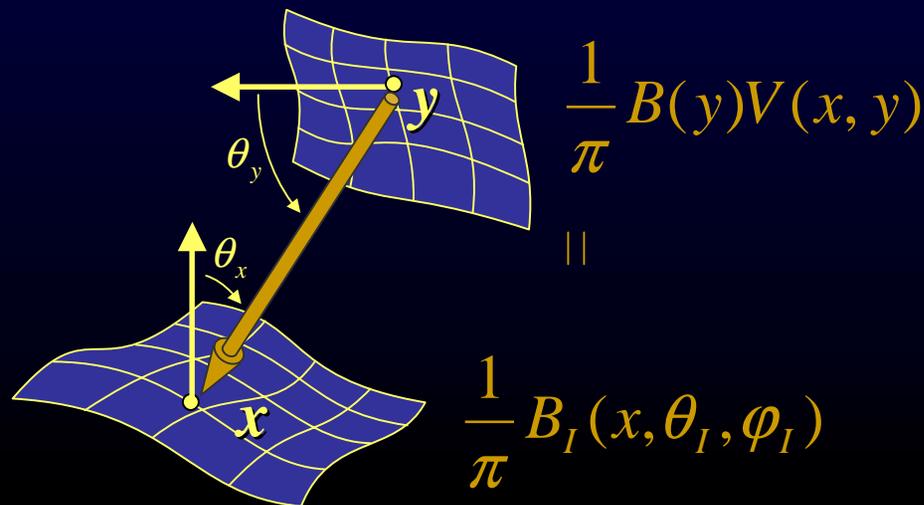
Ideal diffuse : $L_R(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R) \equiv \frac{1}{\pi} B(x)$ $\rho_{bd}(x, \theta_R, \varphi_R, \theta_I, \varphi_I) \equiv \frac{1}{\pi} \rho_{dh}(x)$

Introducing Visibility

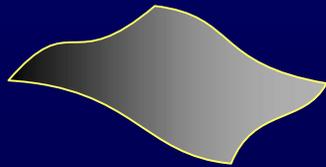
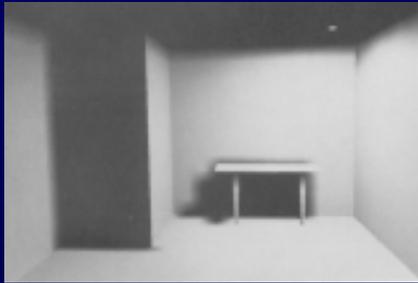
Can we replace the 'incoming radiosity' terms?

$$B(x) = E(x) + \rho_{dh}(x) \int_{\Omega_I} \frac{1}{\pi} B_I(x, \theta_I, \varphi_I) \cos \theta_I d\omega_I$$

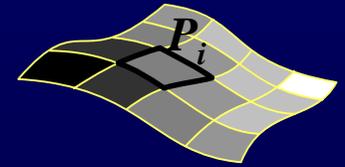
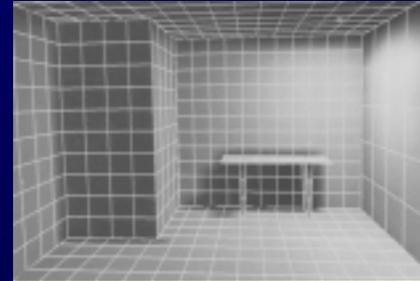
$$B(x) = E(x) + \rho_{dh}(x) \int_{y \in S} \frac{1}{\pi} B(y) V(x, y) \cos \theta_x d\omega_y$$



Discrete Radiosity Equation



DISCRETIZATION



$$B(x) = E(x) + \rho_{dh}(x) \int_{y \in S} \frac{1}{\pi} B(y) V(x, y) \cos \theta_x d\omega_y$$

$$\frac{1}{A_i} \int_{x \in P_i} B(x) = E(x) + \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N B_j \int_{y \in P_j} \frac{1}{\pi} V(x, y) \cos \theta_x d\omega_y$$

$$B_i = \frac{1}{A_i} \int_{x \in P_i} B(x)$$

$$E_i = \frac{1}{A_i} \int_{x \in P_i} E(x)$$

Radiosity Equation

- **Discrete formulation**

$$B_i = E_i + \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N B_j \frac{1}{A_i} \int_{x \in P_i} \int_{y \in P_j} \frac{V(x, y) \cos \theta_x d\omega_y}{\pi}$$

Radiosity Equation

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

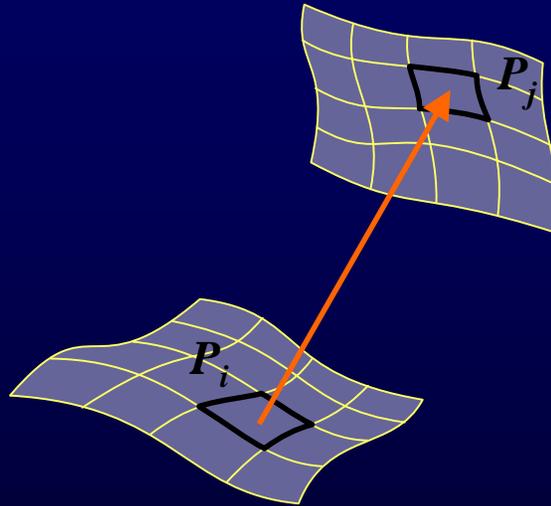
- **Solving radiosity :**

- compute form factors
- solve N equations

Form Factors

- Amount of energy

$$F_{ij}$$

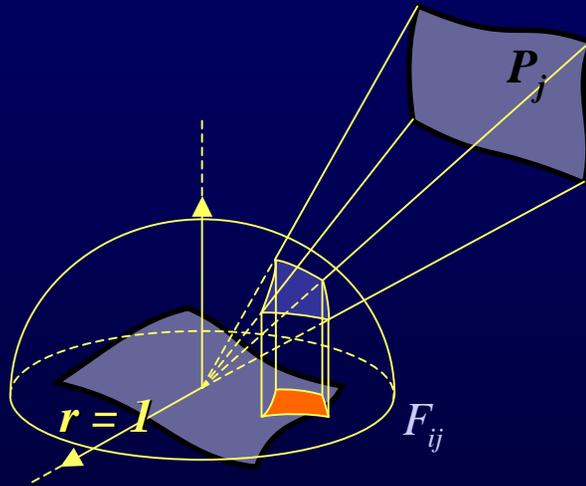


- Property

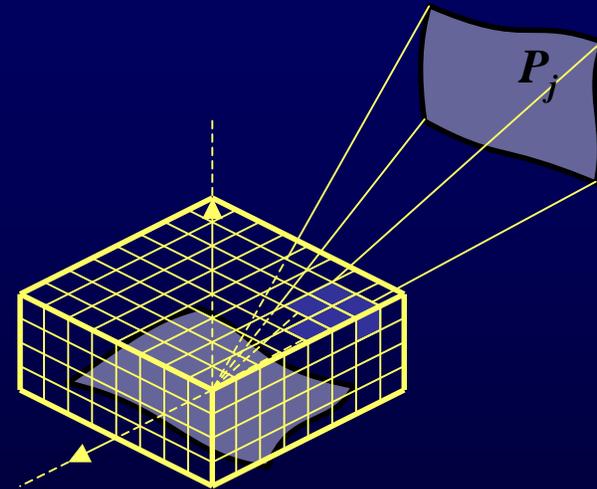
$$A_i F_{ij} = A_j F_{ji}$$

Form Factors

- Nusselt's analogy



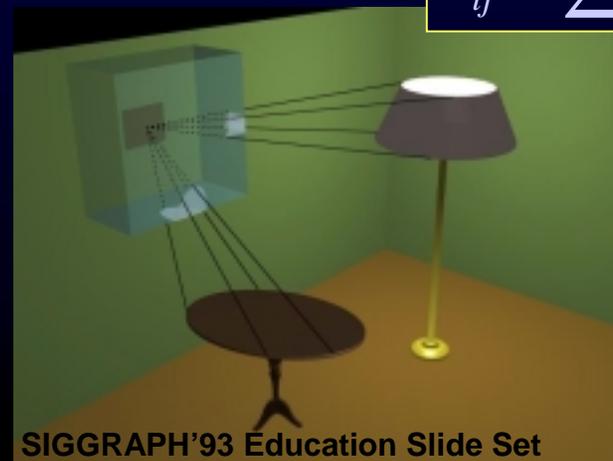
- Hemi-cube



$$F_{ij} = \sum \Delta F$$

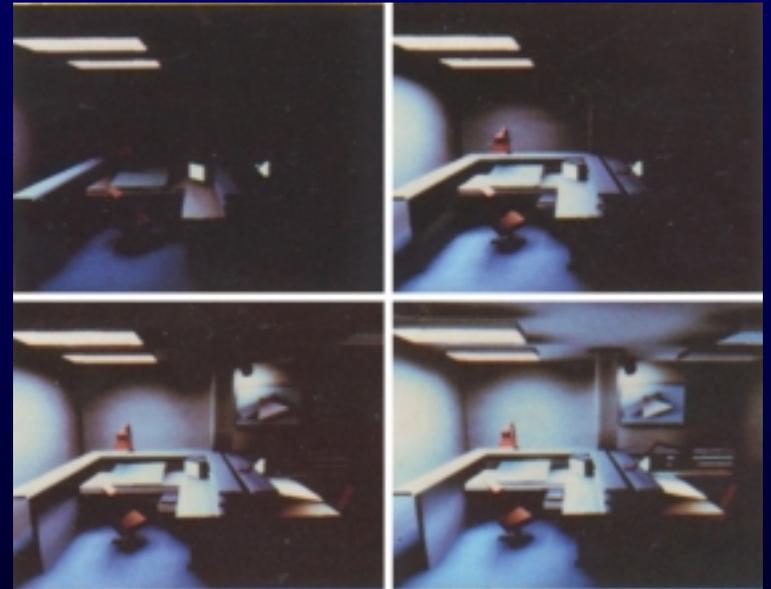
$$\frac{1}{A_i} \int_{x \in P_i} \int_{y \in P_j} \frac{V(x, y) \cos \theta_x d\omega_y}{\pi}$$

$$F_{ij} \approx \int_{y \in P_j} \frac{V(x, y) \cos \theta_x d\omega_y}{\pi}$$



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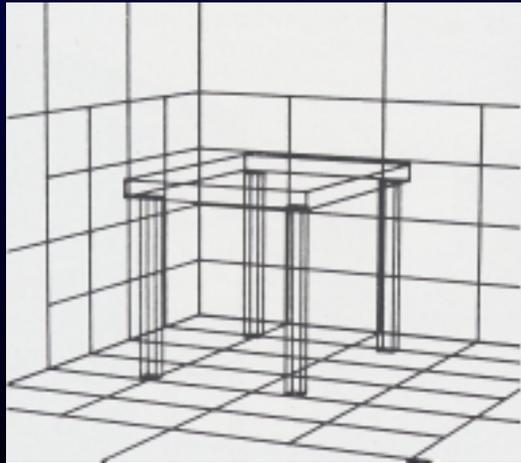
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$$B_i = E_i + \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N B_j F_{ij}$$

Solving the equation

4 famous methods for solving the 'classic' radiosity

- Matrix inversion
- Jacobi relaxation
- Gauss-Seidel relaxation (**gathering**)
- Southwell relaxation (**shooting**)



Matrix inversion

Radiosity Equation

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

$$B_i - \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N B_j F_{ij} = E_i \quad i \in [1, N]$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - \rho_1 F_{11} & -\rho_1 F_{12} & \cdots & -\rho_1 F_{1N} \\ -\rho_2 F_{21} & 1 - \rho_2 F_{22} & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ -\rho_N F_{N1} & \cdots & \cdots & 1 - \rho_N F_{NN} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \\ \vdots \\ B_N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} E_1 \\ E_2 \\ \vdots \\ E_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$$MB = E$$

Invert M

Drawbacks: all form factors required / no intermediate solution

Jacobi relaxation

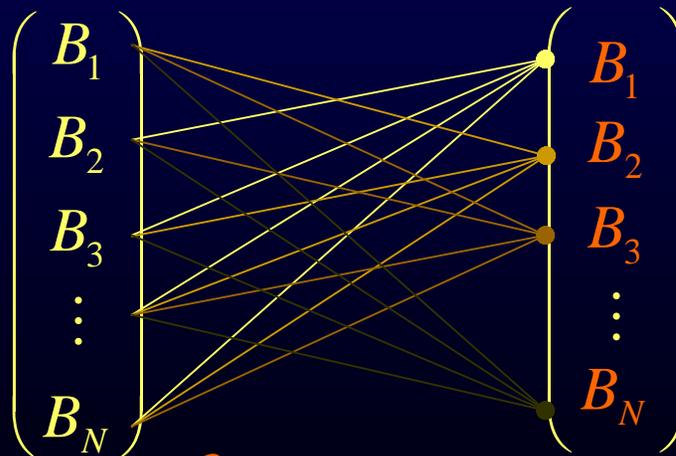
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$$B_i = E_i + \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N B_j F_{ij}$$

$$B_i = \frac{E_i}{1 - \rho_i F_{ii}} + \rho_i \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^N B_j \frac{F_{ij}}{1 - \rho_i F_{ii}}$$

vector B^t

vector B^{t+1}



 compute N values

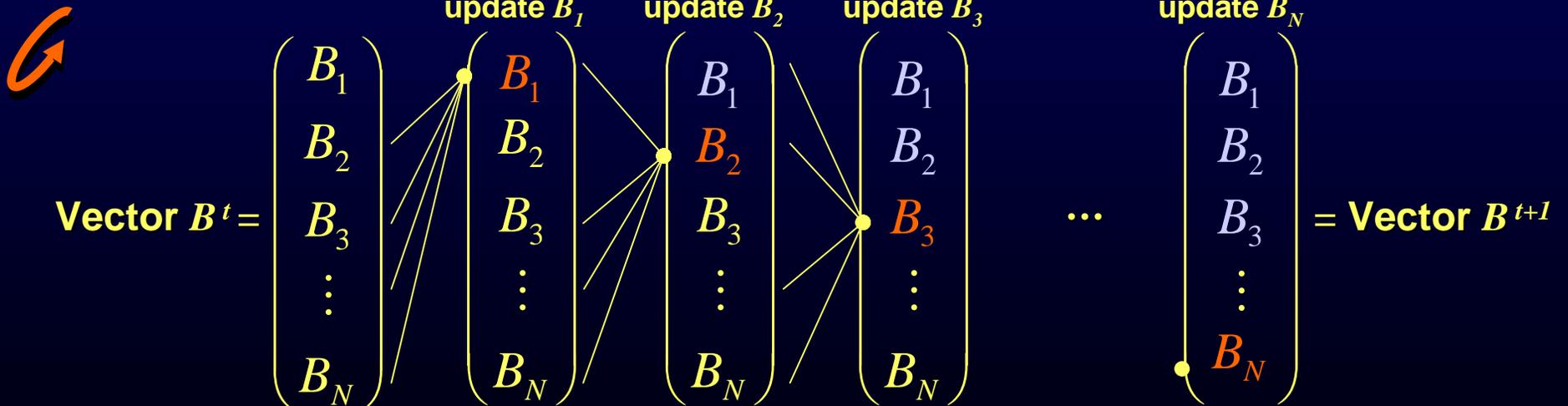
Drawbacks: all form factors required / two vectors B^t and B^{t+1} required

Gauss-Seidel relaxation

Radiosity Equation

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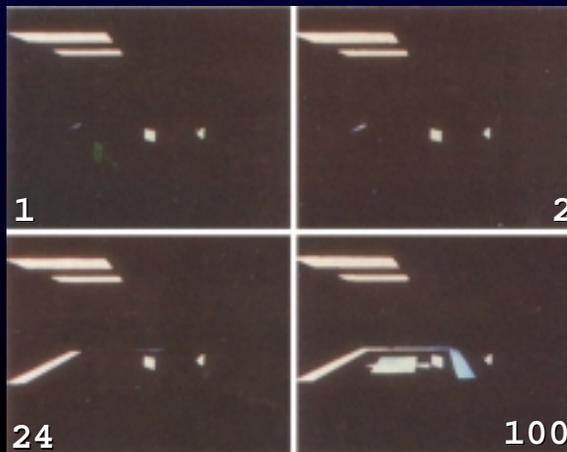
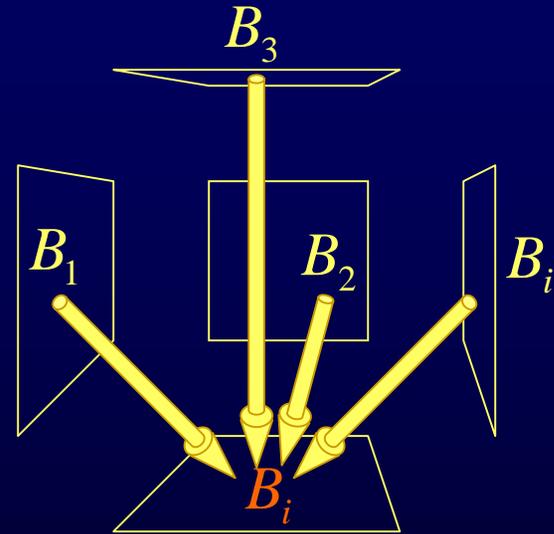
Drawbacks: all form factors are required for one complete iteration

Advantages: only one storage vector required / faster convergence than Jacobi

Gauss-Seidel relaxation

- Why is it called Gathering?

$$\begin{pmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \\ B_3 \\ \vdots \\ B_i \\ \vdots \\ B_N \end{pmatrix} = \frac{E_i}{1 - \rho_i F_{ii}} + \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N B_j \frac{F_{ij}}{1 - \rho_i F_{ii}}$$



Southwell relaxation

- Idea: distribute the residual energy of the patch of most residual energy, P_i

Radiosity Equation

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



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

Energy Equation

$$\beta_i = \varepsilon_i + \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N \beta_j F_{ji}$$

Residuals energy

$$r_i = \varepsilon_i - \beta_i + \rho_i \sum_{j=1}^N \beta_j F_{ji}$$



- $k = \arg \max_k (r_k)$

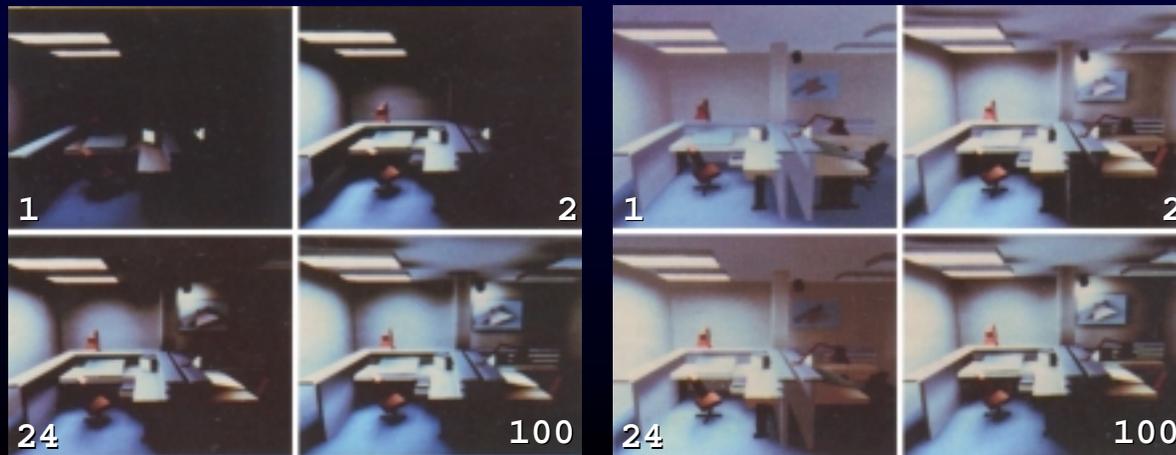
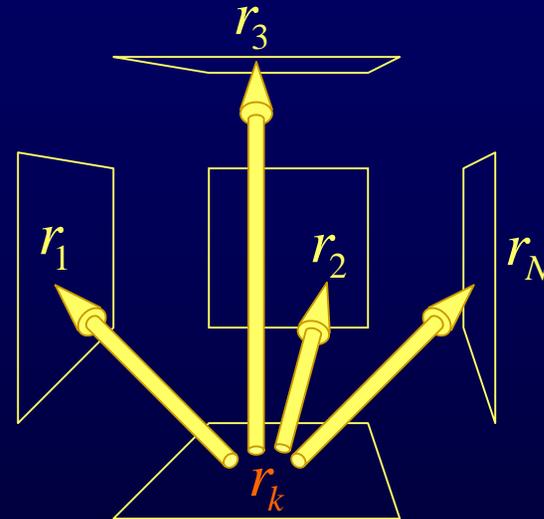
- $r_{i \neq k} + = \frac{\rho_i F_{ik}}{1 - \rho_k F_{kk}} r_k, \quad r_k = 0$

- $\beta_k = \frac{\varepsilon_k}{1 - \rho_k F_{kk}} + \rho_i \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq k}}^N \beta_j \frac{F_{jk}}{1 - \rho_k F_{kk}}, \quad B_i = \frac{\beta_i + r_i}{A_i}$

Southwell relaxation

- Why is it called Shooting?

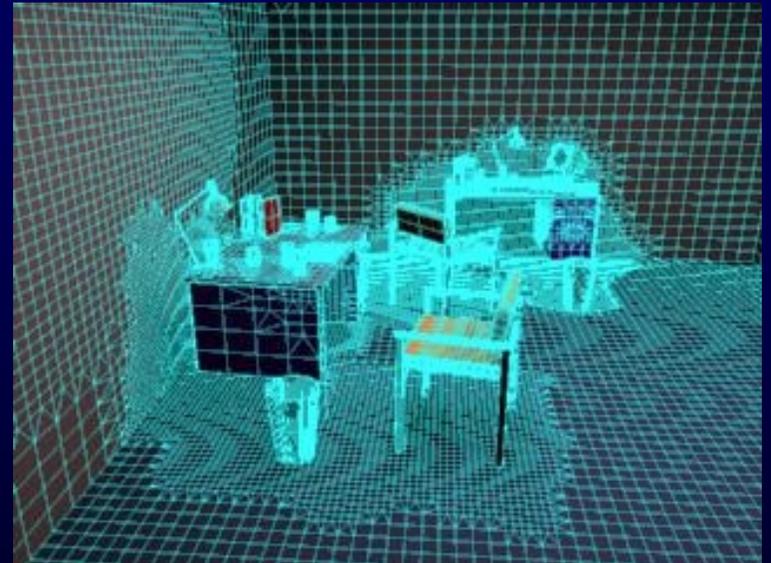
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$$r_k = 0$$



Ambient correction

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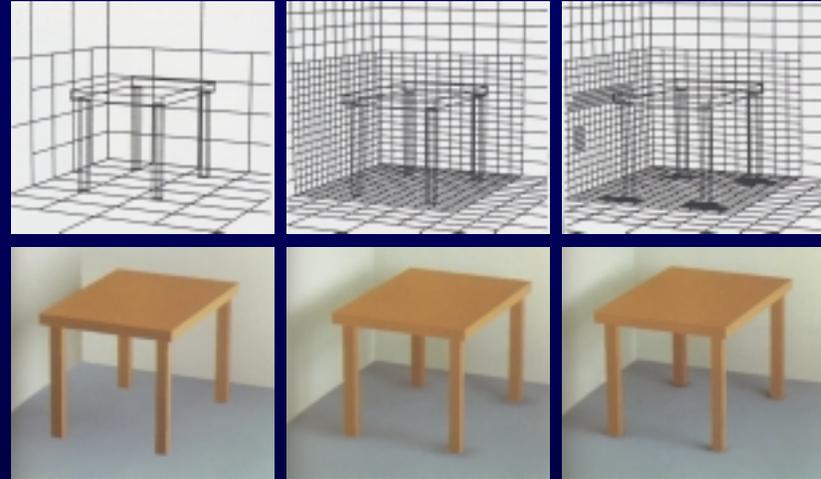
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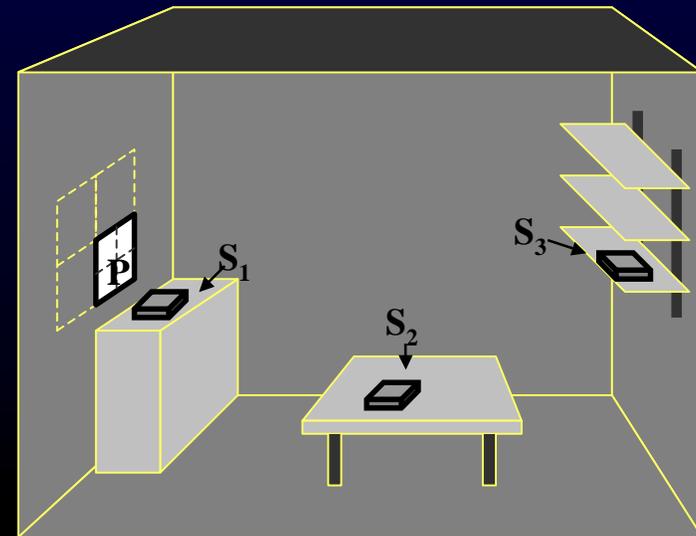
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Optimizing

- **Sampling tradeoff**
 - too coarse: ugly solution
 - too fine: time consuming

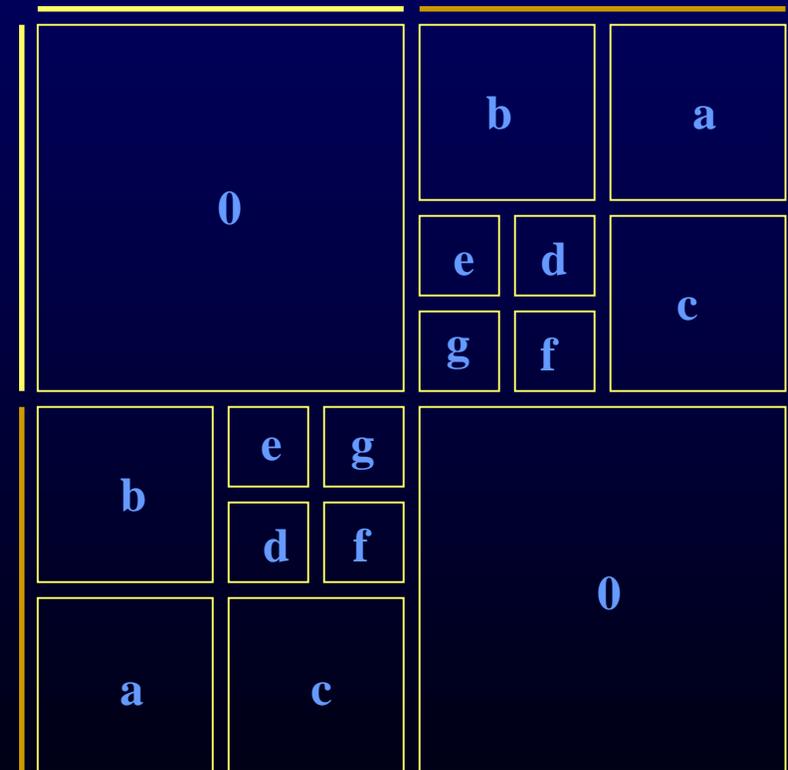
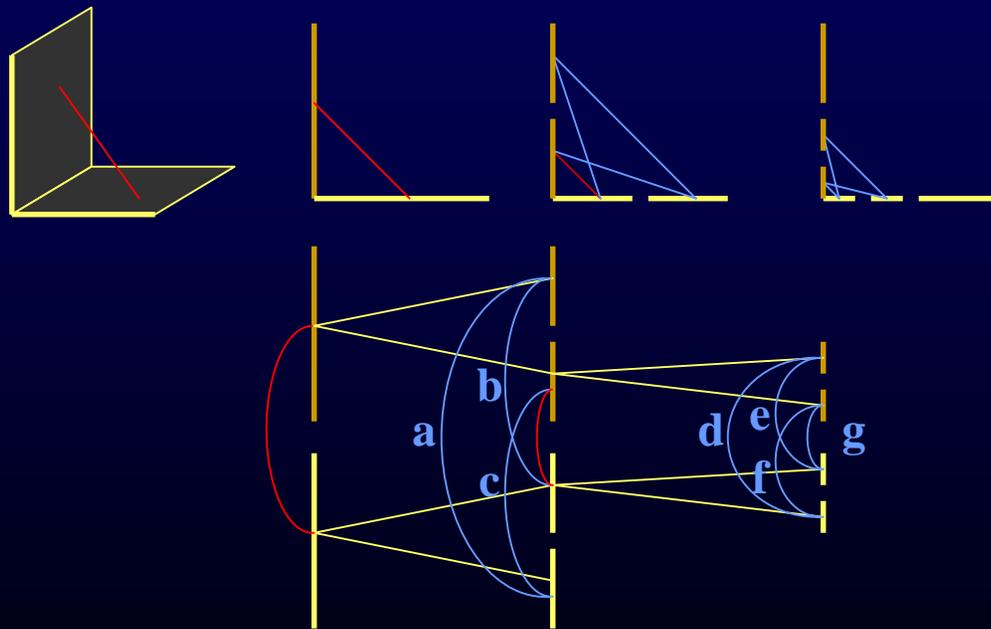


- **The necessity to emit energy at different levels:**



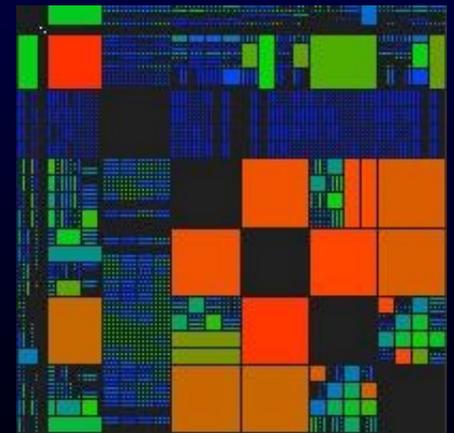
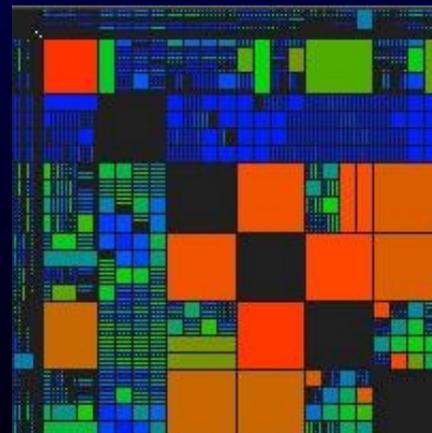
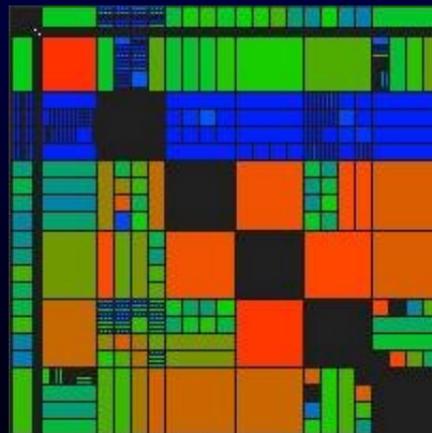
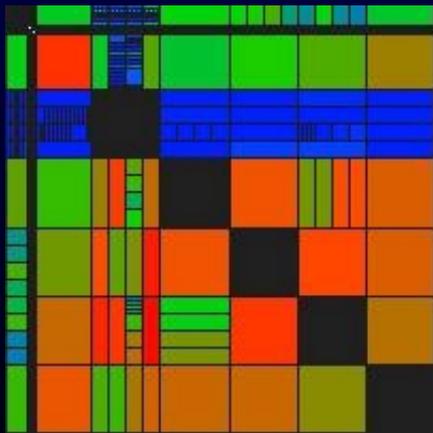
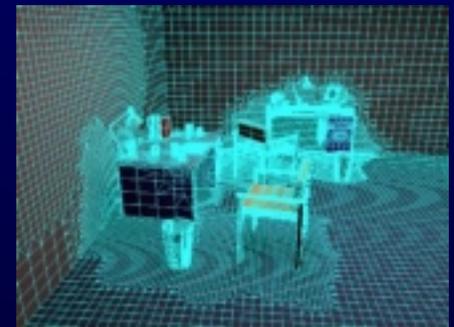
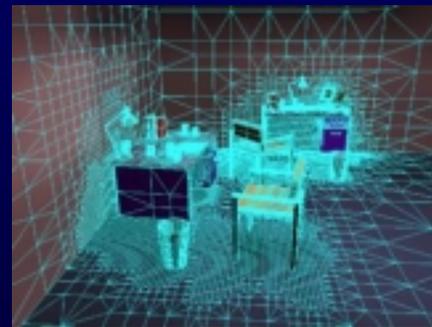
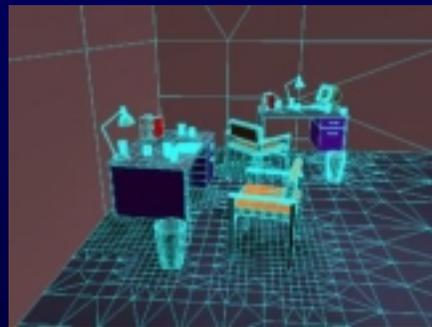
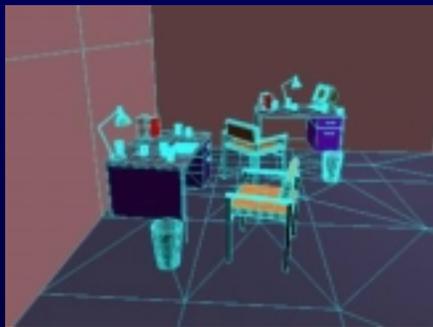
Hierarchical Radiosity

- Allow exchanges at different levels
- Links between two hierarchical patches:
⇒ threshold + splitting criterion



Gathering radiosity for a patch P_i :

1. Compute gathered radiositities B_G for patch P_i and its subpatches
2. Update the radiositities B of the tree (bidirectionnall sweep)



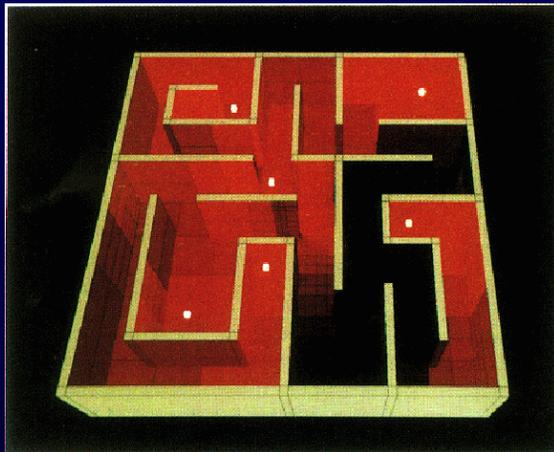
Decreasing tolerance
(Blocks are breaking)



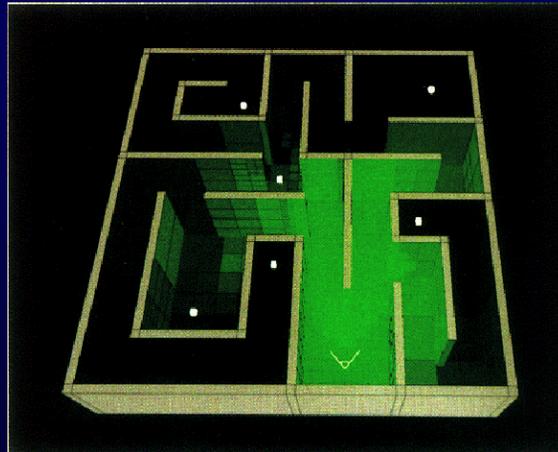
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Importance

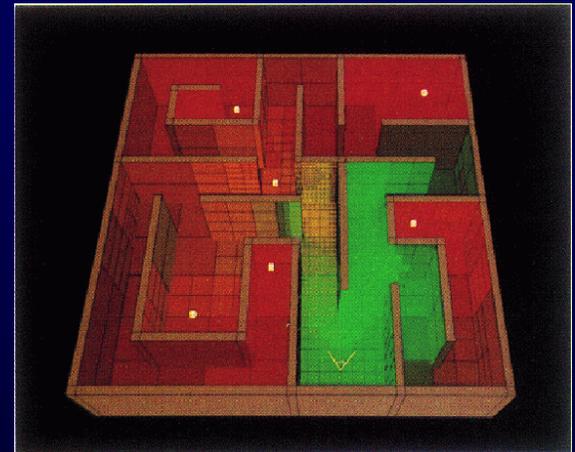
- View dependent refinement



Radiosity solution



Importance solution



Superposition, in yellow

Importance Equation

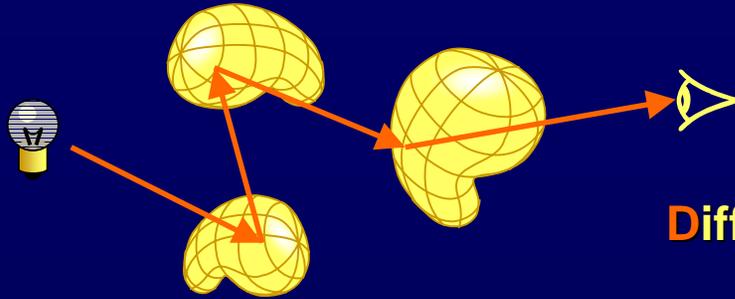
$$I_i = R_i + \sum_{j=1}^N \rho_j F_{ji} I_j$$

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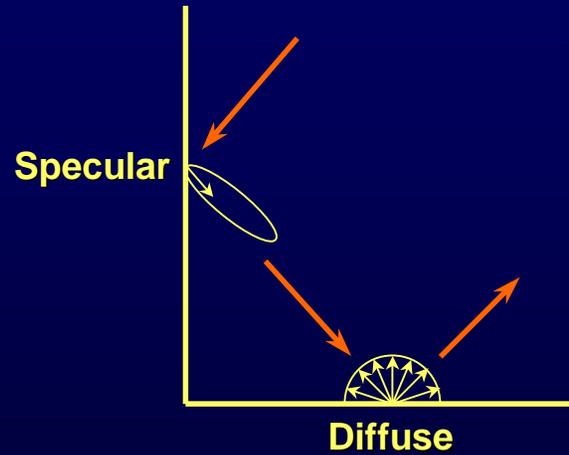
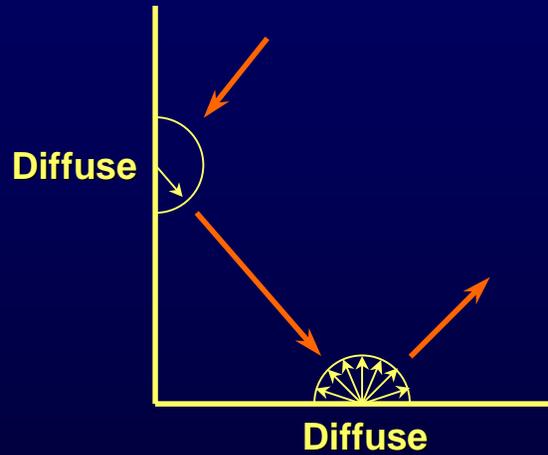
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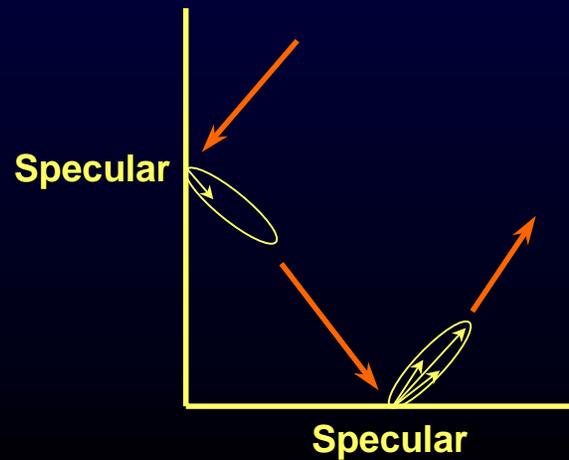
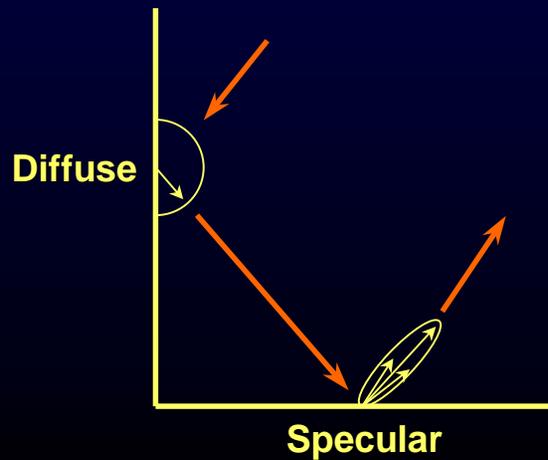
Basic algorithms fails at transitions
Diffuse → **Specular** ; **Specular** → **Diffuse**



Basic Raytracing
LS*E

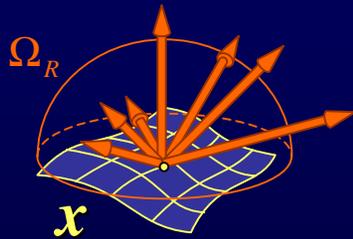
Basic Radiosity
LD*E

Global Illumination
L(D|S)*E

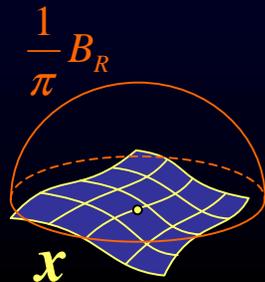


Directional radiosity

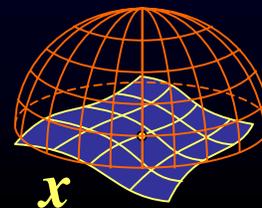
- **Global Illumination:**



- **Radiosity:**
radiance is constant

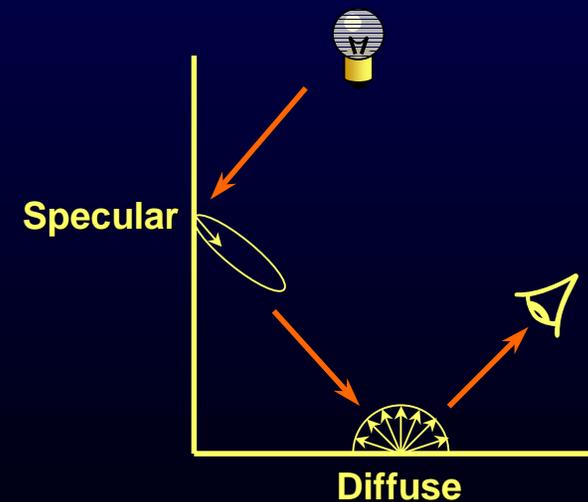
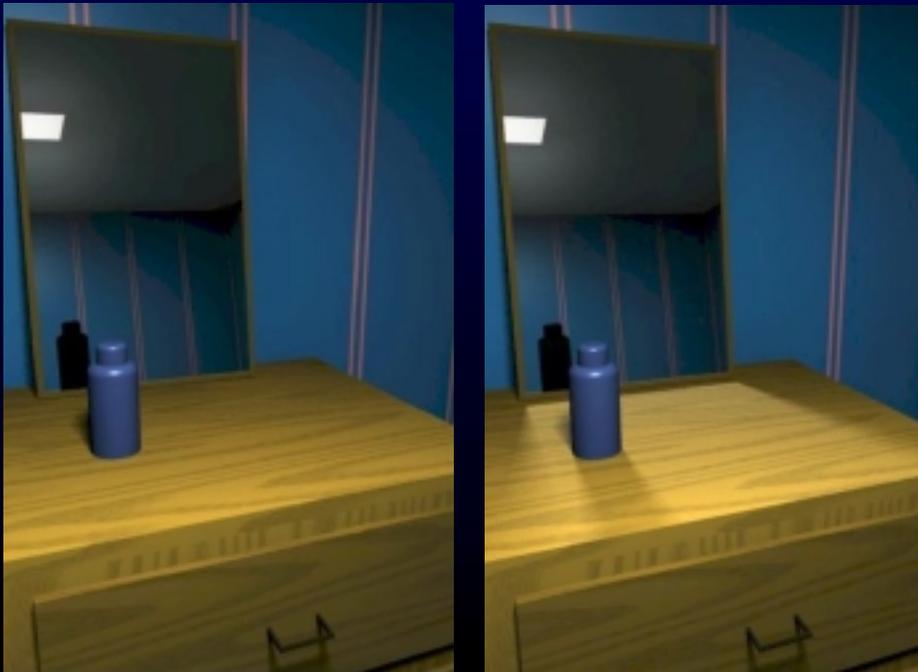


- ➔ **Directional radiosity :**
radiance is piecewise constant



Two-pass approach

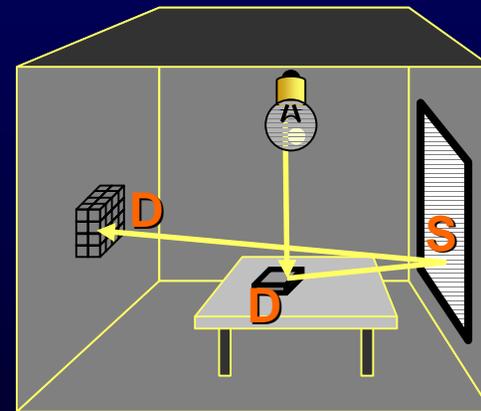
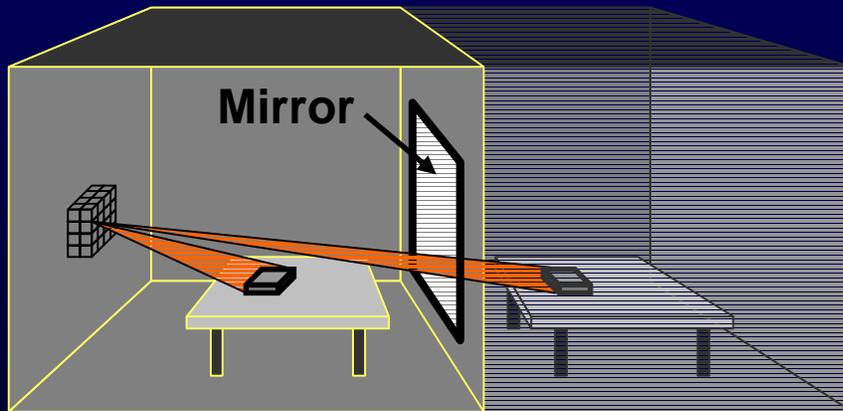
- **Two-pass approach**
 1. Radiosity: LD^*E
 2. Raytracing LDS^*E
- **Limitation: misses LS^*DE**



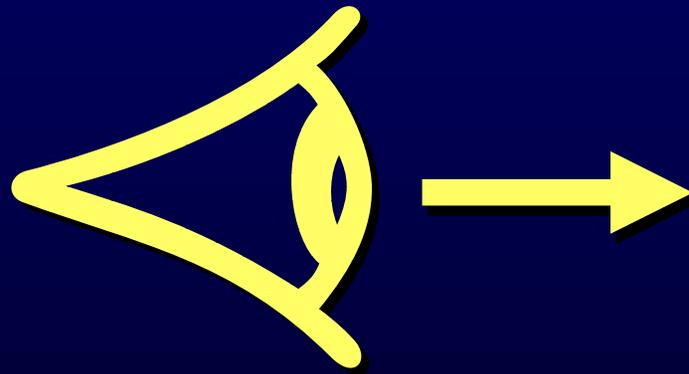
Complete* two-pass approach

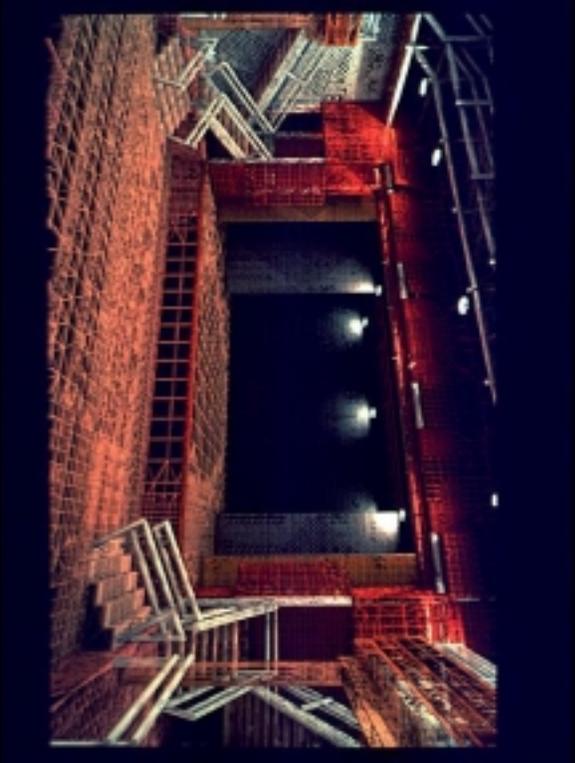
(* Ideal diffuse & ideal specular surfaces)

- **Two-pass approach with extended form factors**
Idea: Include $D \rightarrow S^* \rightarrow D$ in the first pass



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