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# Rendering and Shading Techniques

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Lecture 01

Administrivia

# About

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- This course is a survey course on **rendering algorithms**.
- You are expected to **implement** some of them.
- The aims of the course are:
  - To equip you with **knowledge for future research**.
  - To develop your **programming skills**.

# Instructor

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  - Office Hour: Wednesday & Friday 1PM - 4PM or by appointment



# Grading

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- Homework: 60%
- Final Project: 40%
- No exams.

# Requirement

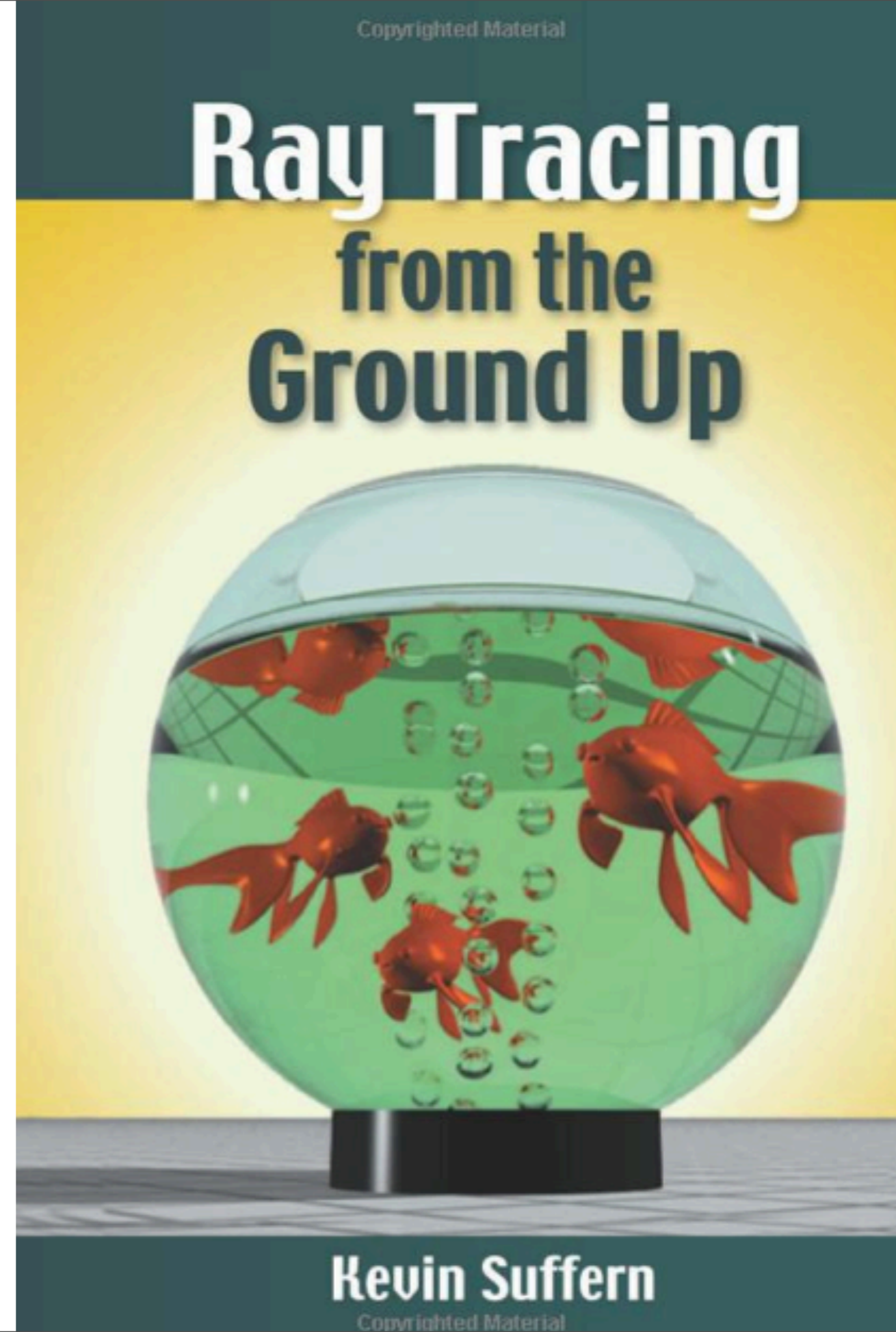
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- You should be fluent in C++ (not C).
- You should know:
  - Linear algebra
  - Calculus
  - Probability theory (esp. random variables)

# Books

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- Kevin Suffern.  
**Ray Tracing from the Ground Up.**  
A K Peters, 2009.
- Required
- Since there will be few students, please order a copy yourself from Amazon or local bookstores.



# Books

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- Not required
  - Matt Pharr and Greg Humphreys.  
**Physically Based Rendering: From Theory to Implementation.**  
Elsevier, 2004.
  - Philip Dutre, Kavita Bala, and Philippe Bekaert.  
**Advanced Global Illumination.**  
A K Peters, 2006.
  - Henrik Wann Jensen.  
**Realistic Image Synthesis Using Photon Mapping.**  
A K Peters, 2009

# Web Page

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- <http://theory.cpe.ku.ac.th/~pramook/418585/>
- Please check it frequently for:
  - Slides
  - Homeworks
- I don't distribute printouts of slides in class.

# Academic Honesty Policy

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- You shall do all of your homework by yourself.
  - Type your programs yourself.
- Do not plagiarize.
  - Do not copy from your friend or internet sources.
  - If you do, you will earn no credits for the assignment.
- However, feel free to collaborate and consult the internet for ideas.
  - Please also indicate where you get your ideas from in your hand-ins.

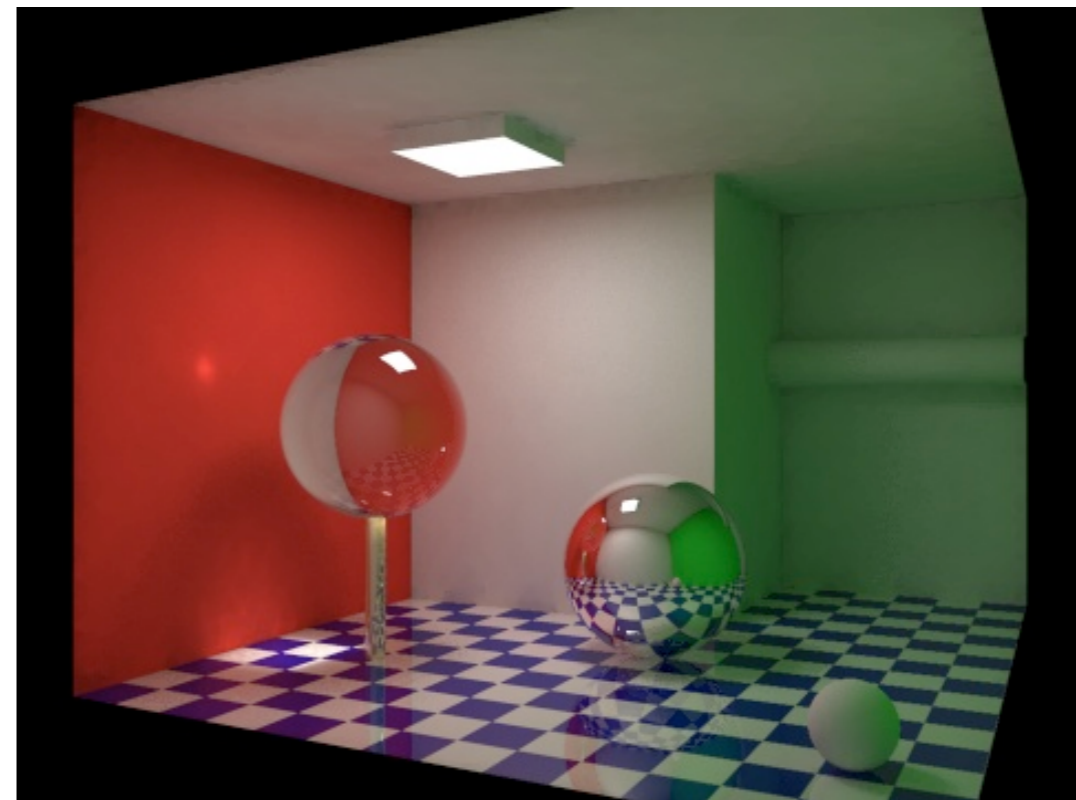
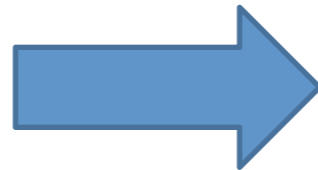
Rendering

# Rendering

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- The process of generating **images** from **models**.

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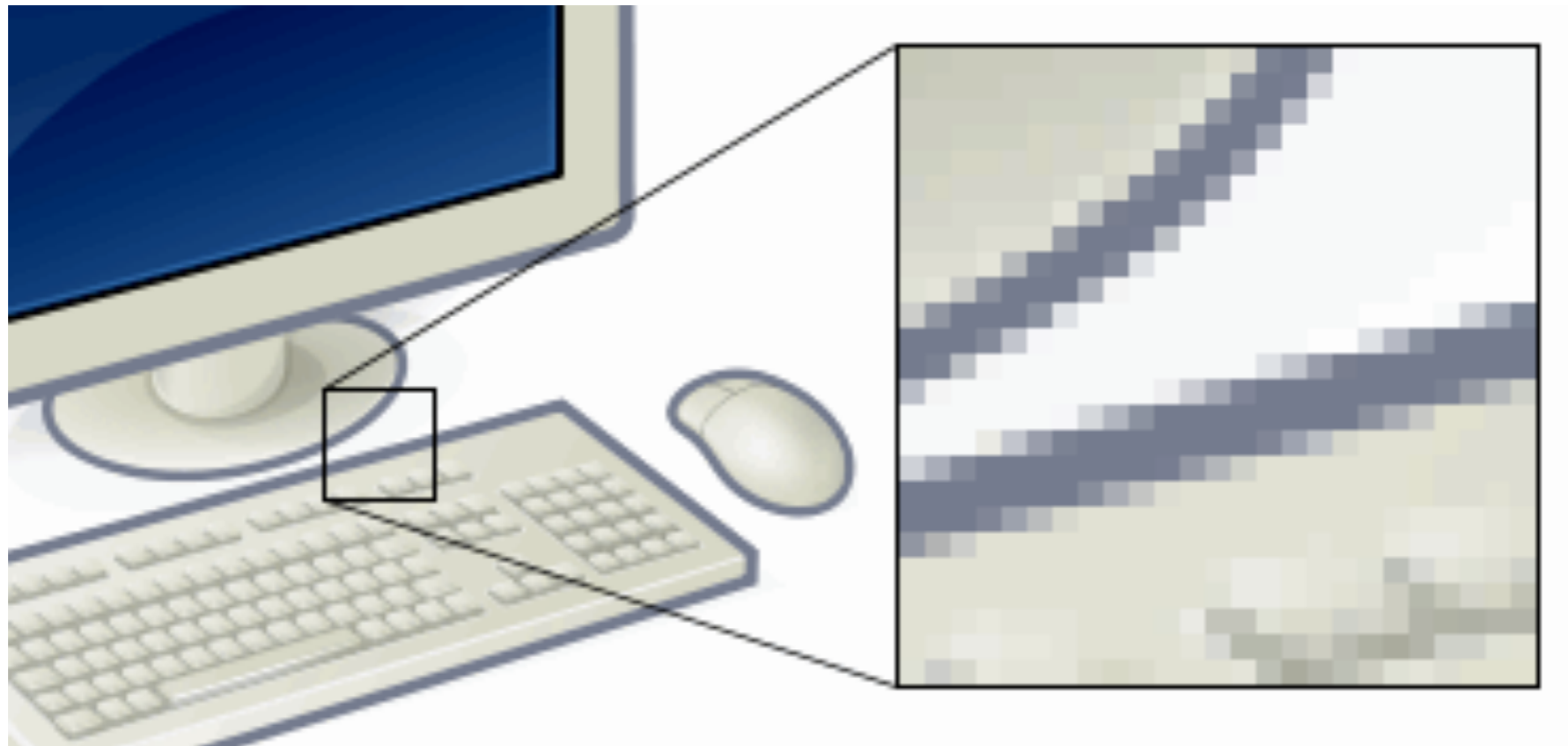
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Global\\_illumination](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Global_illumination)



# Images

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- Rectangular array of squares colors.
- Each square is call a **pixel** (picture element).

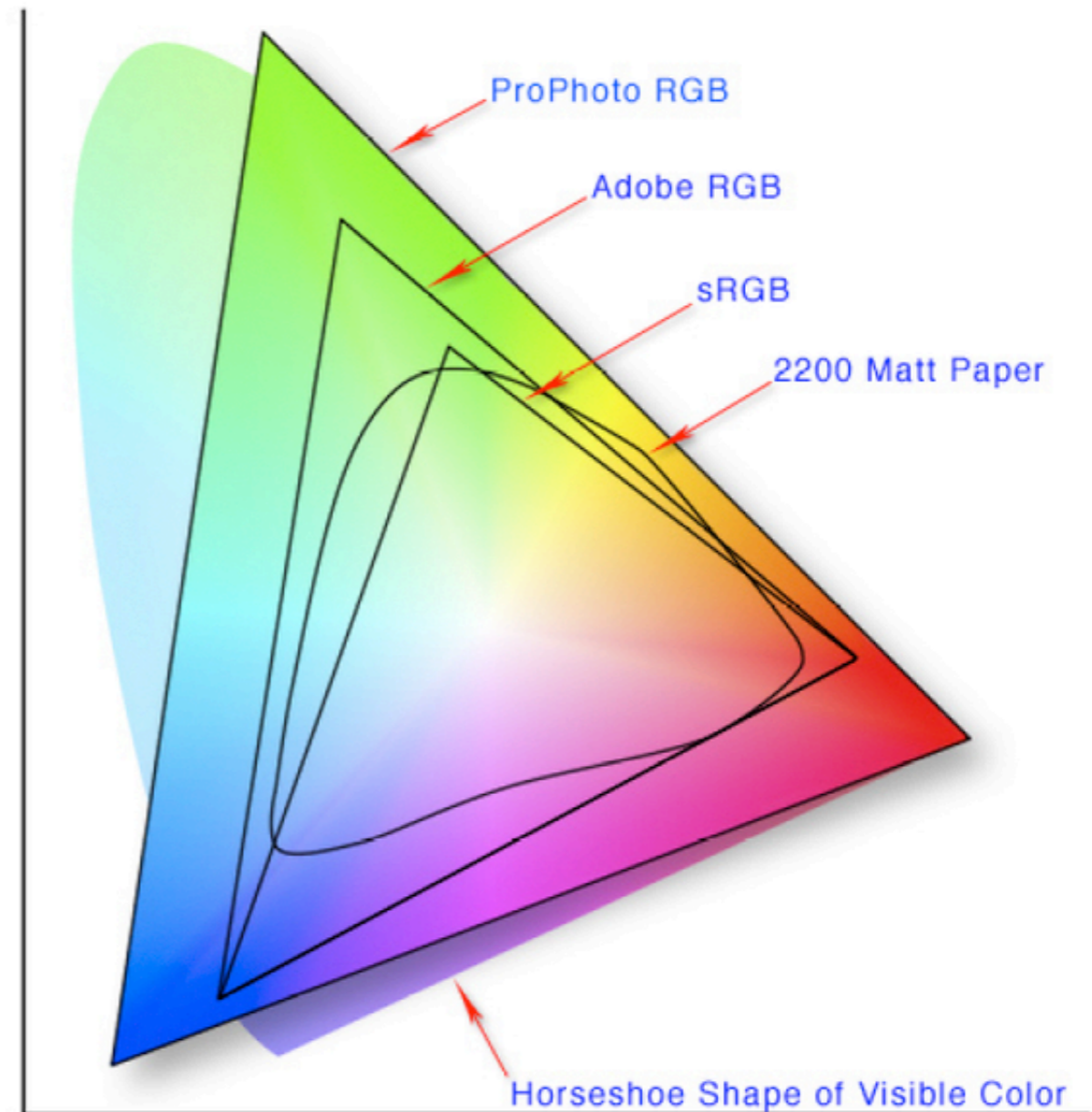


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# Colors

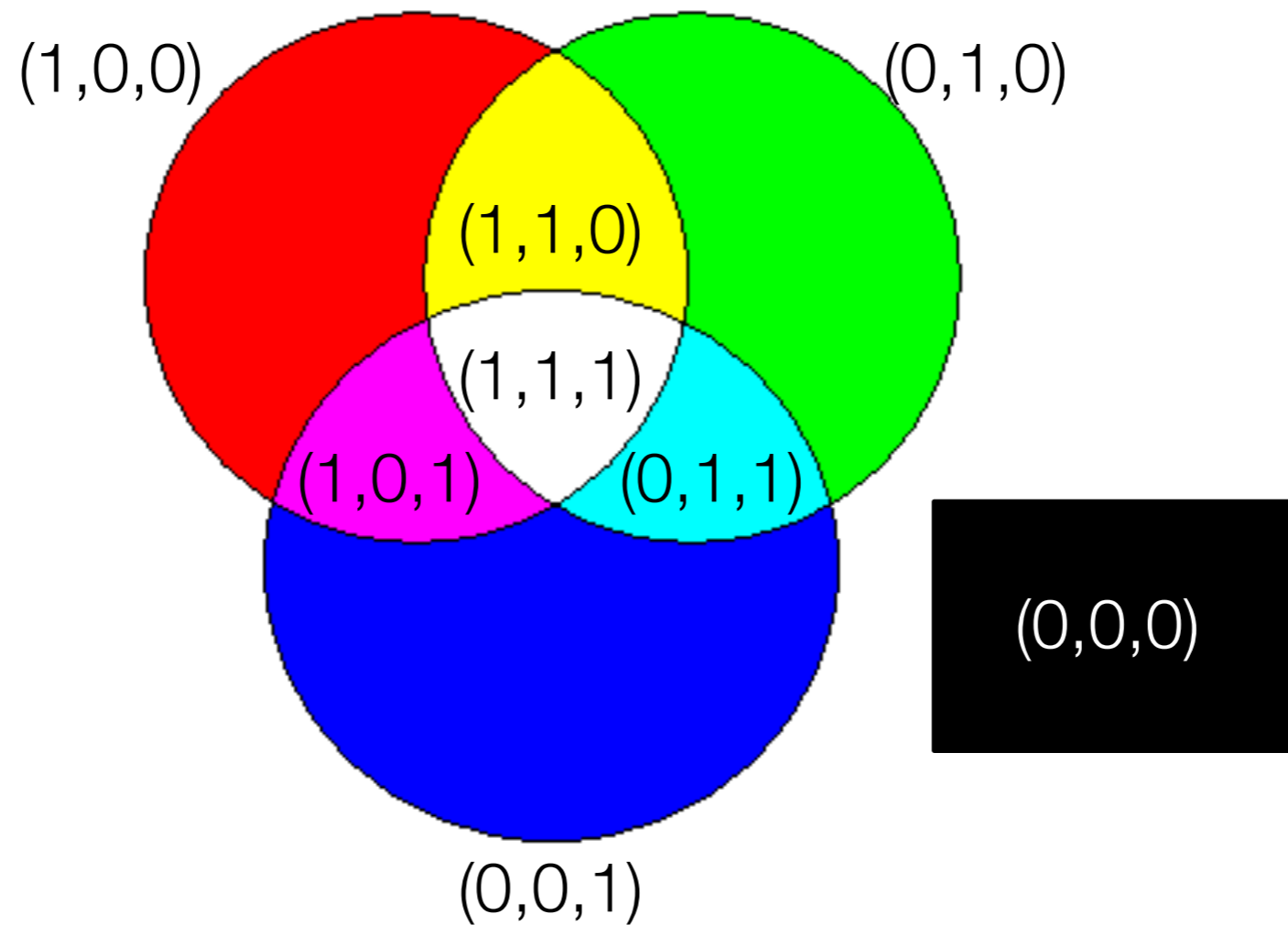
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- A vector  $(R,G,B)$ 
  - $R, G, B$  are real numbers ranging from 0 to 1
  - They are intensities of the red, green, and blue channel, respectively.



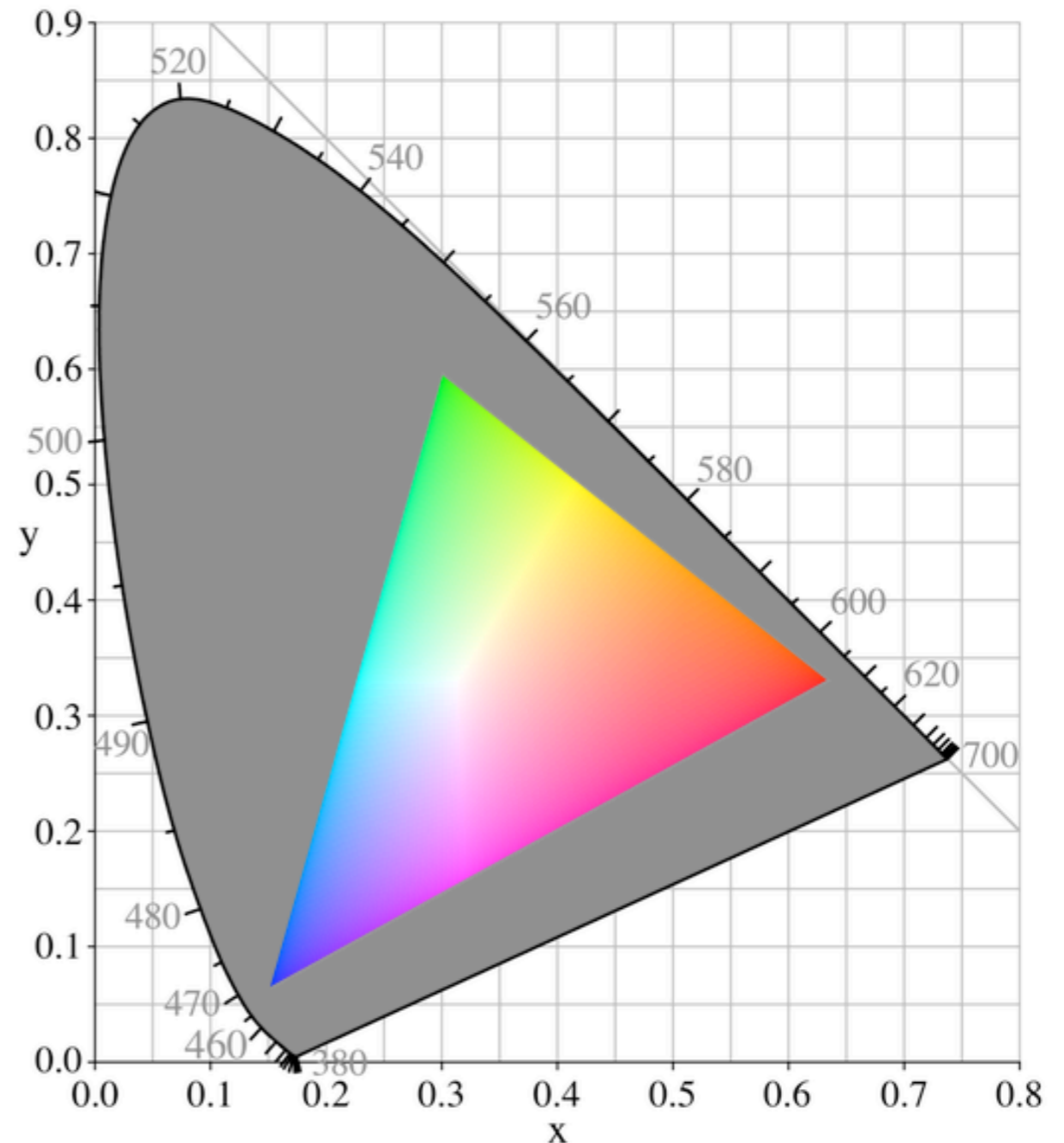
# Important Colors and Their RGB Representation

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# Gamut

- The range of color a display device can display accurately.
- Namely, all the colors that gets displayed when you set R, G, and B to various values in range [0,1]

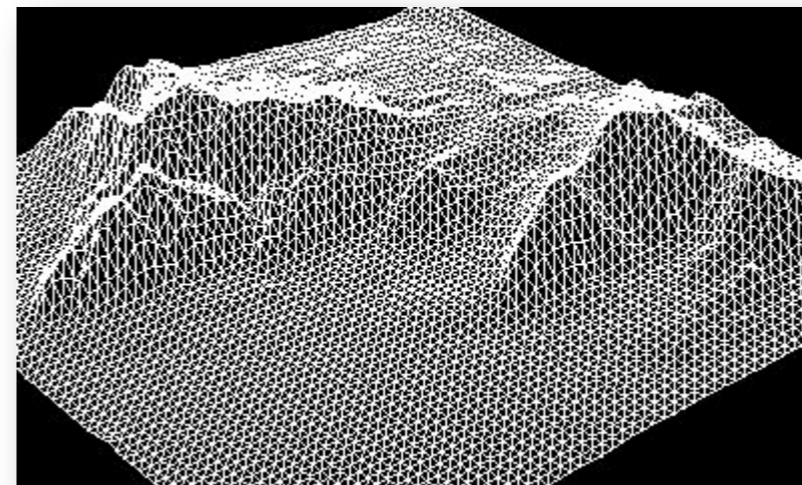
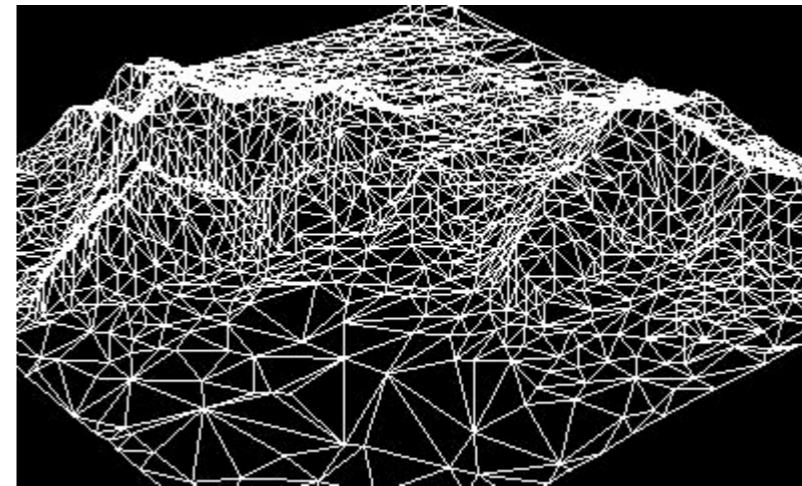


[http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/d/d3/CIExy1931\\_srgb\\_gamut.png](http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/d/d3/CIExy1931_srgb_gamut.png)

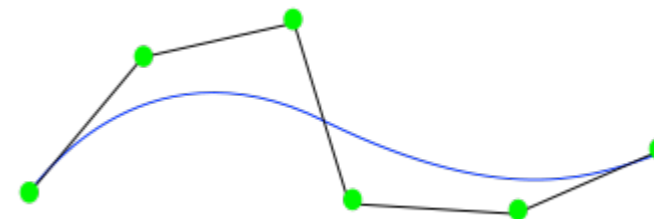
# Models

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- Mathematical representation of
  - Shapes
  - Optical characteristic of surfaces.



<http://amber.rc.arizona.edu/dx/vtkDecimateDX.html>



<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nurbs>



# Photorealistic Rendering

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<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rendering>

# Non-Photorealistic Rendering

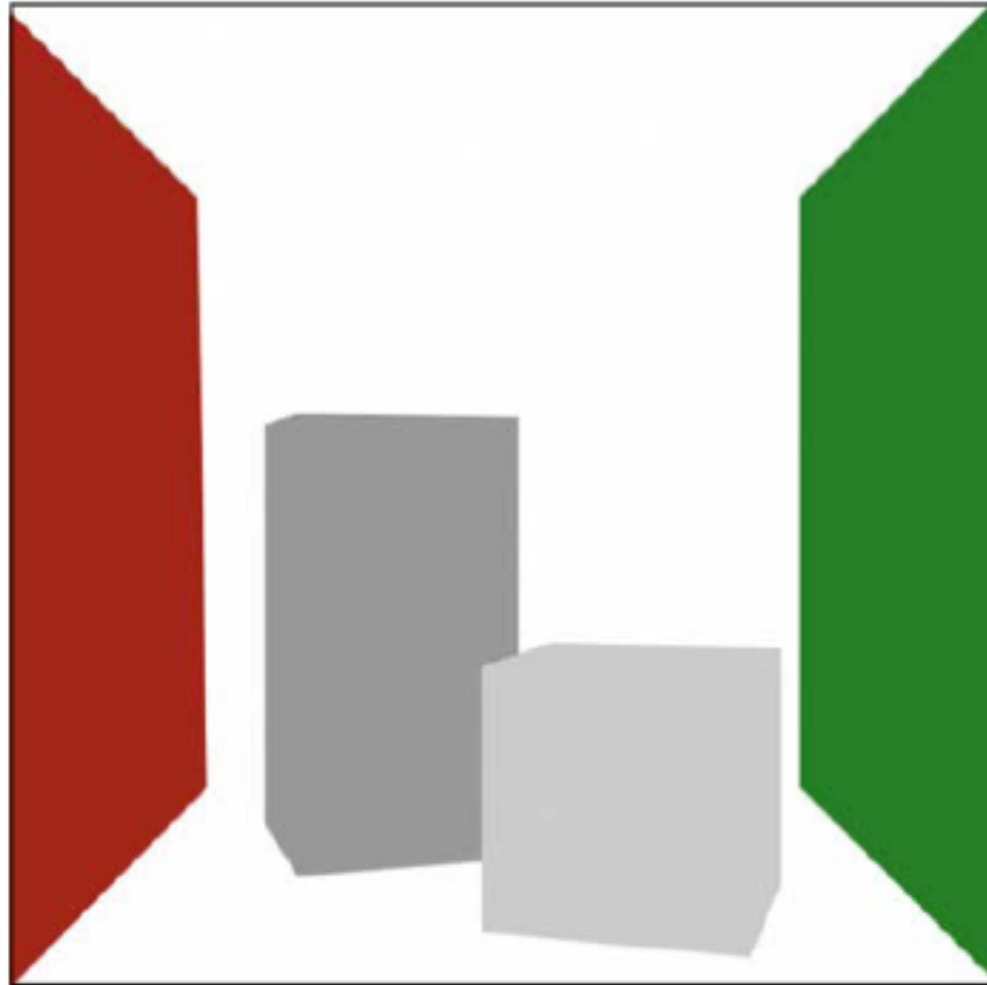
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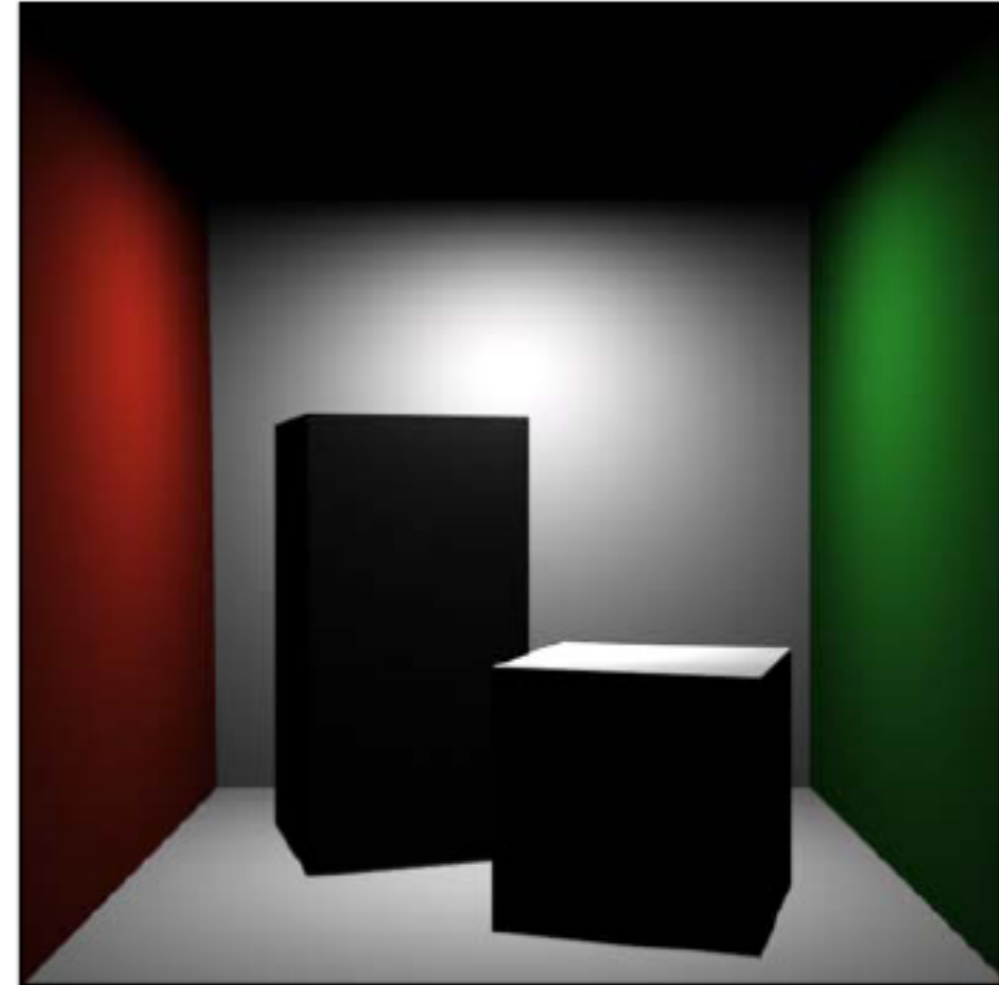
The Legend of Zelda: The Wind Waker  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toon\\_shading](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toon_shading)

# Lighting: Diffuse Reflection

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**Surface Color**

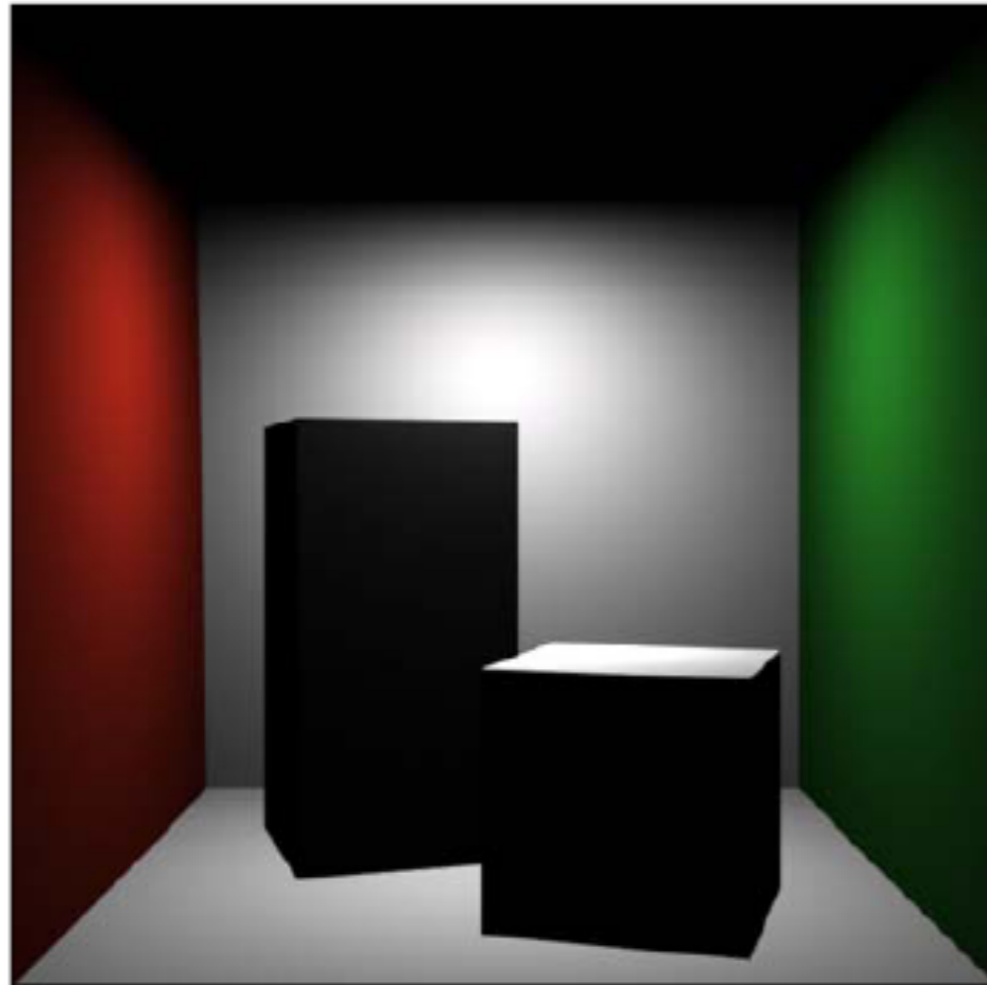


**Diffuse Shading  
Point Light Source**

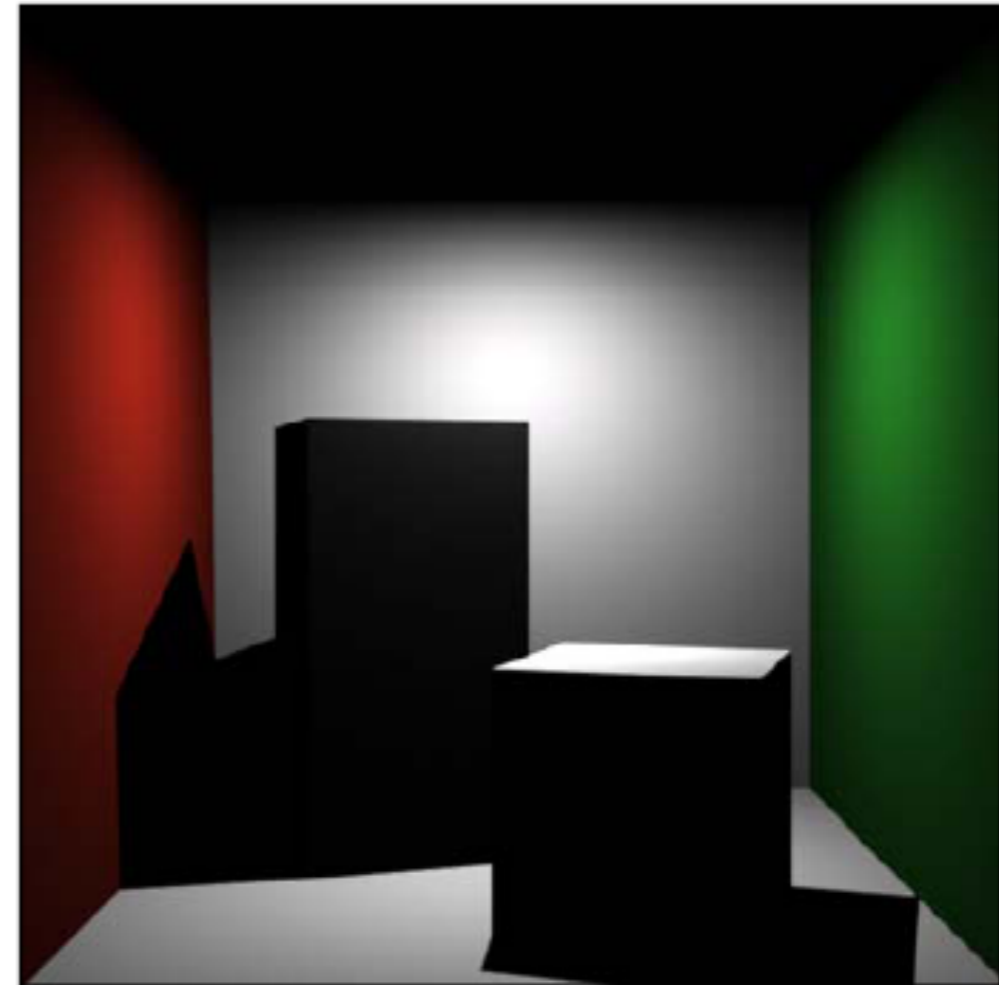


# Lighting: Shadows

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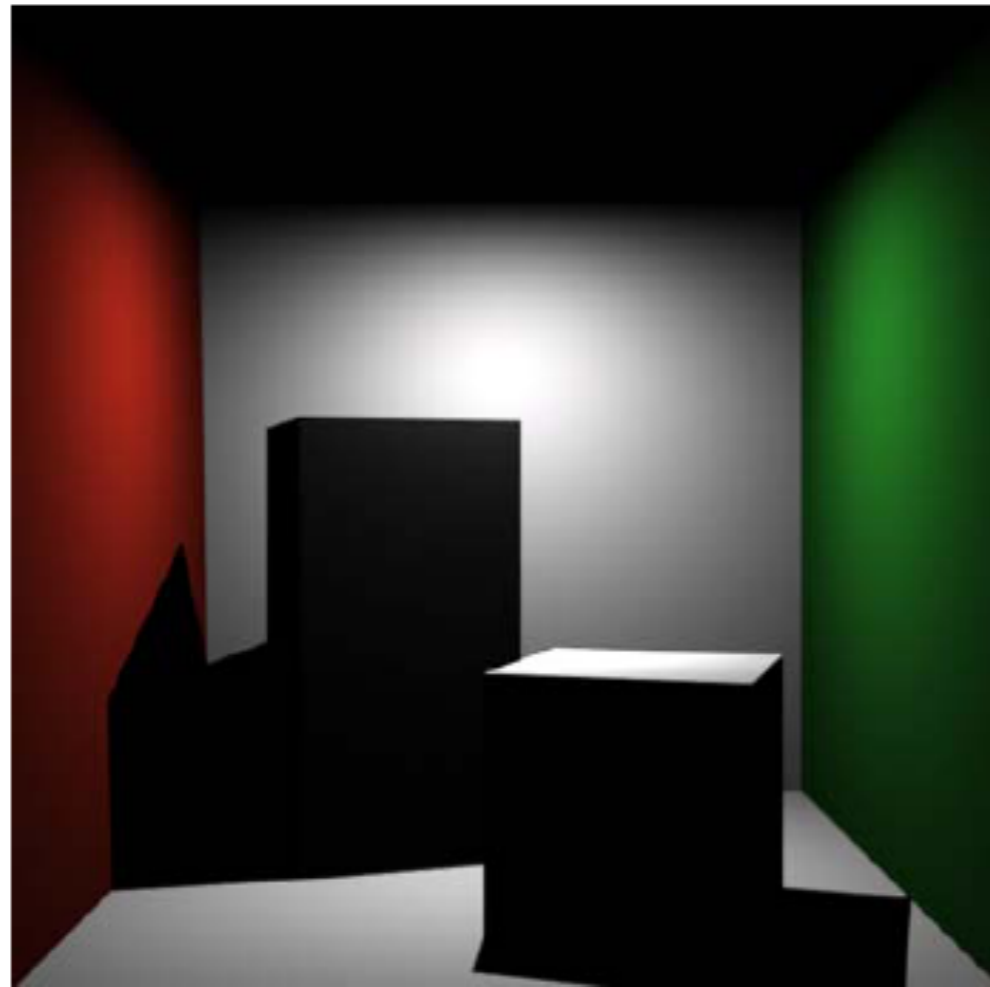
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**Point Light Source**



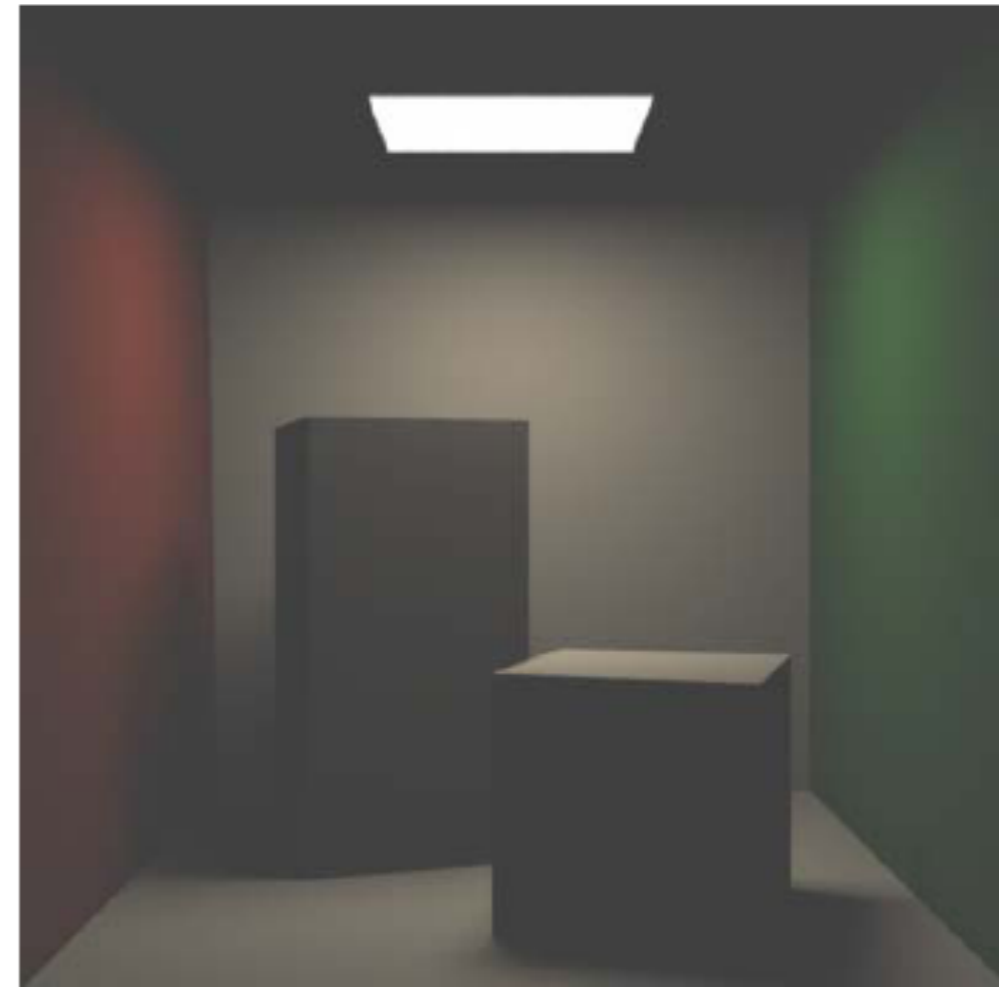
**Shadows**  
**Point Light Source**

# Lighting: Soft Shadows

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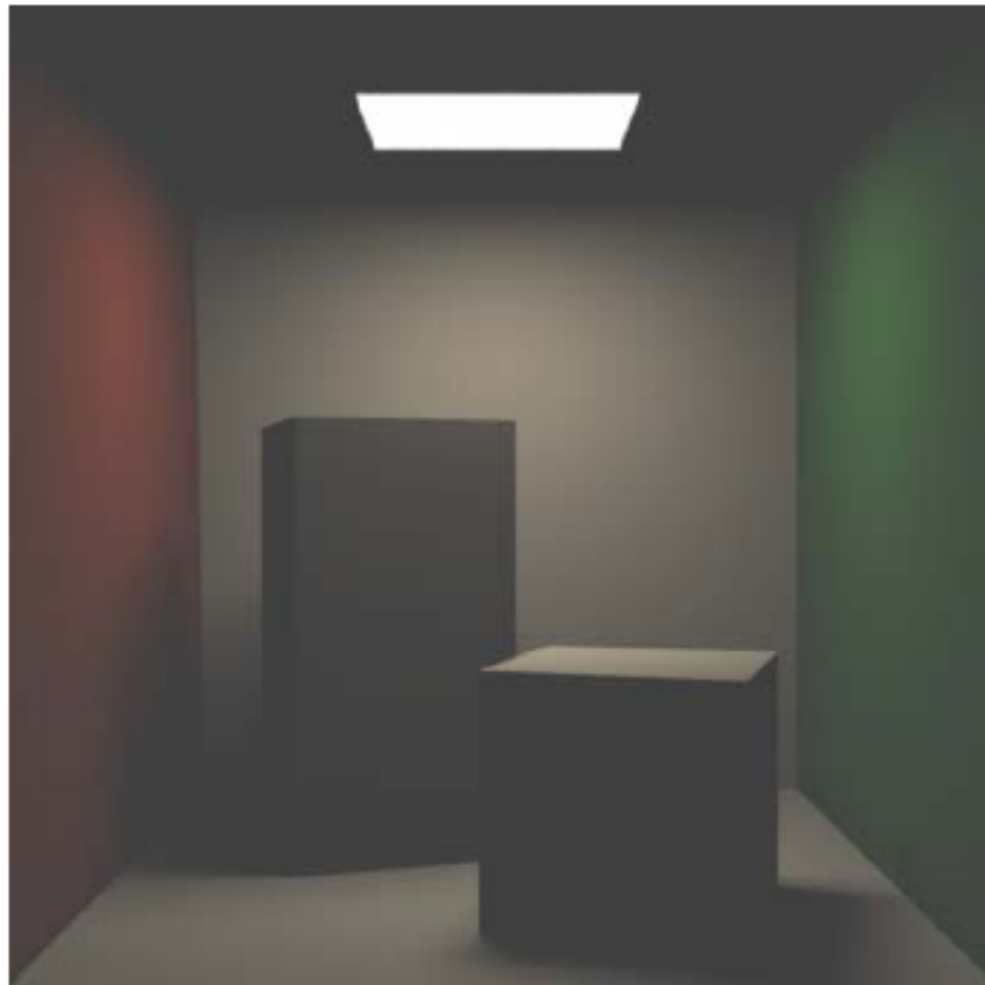
**Hard Shadows**  
**Point Light Source**



**Soft Shadows**  
**Area Light Source**

# Lighting: Radiosity

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**Soft Shadows  
Area Light Source**



**Inter-reflection, Diffuse)  
Area Light Source**

# Early Radiosity

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# Early Diffuse+Glossy

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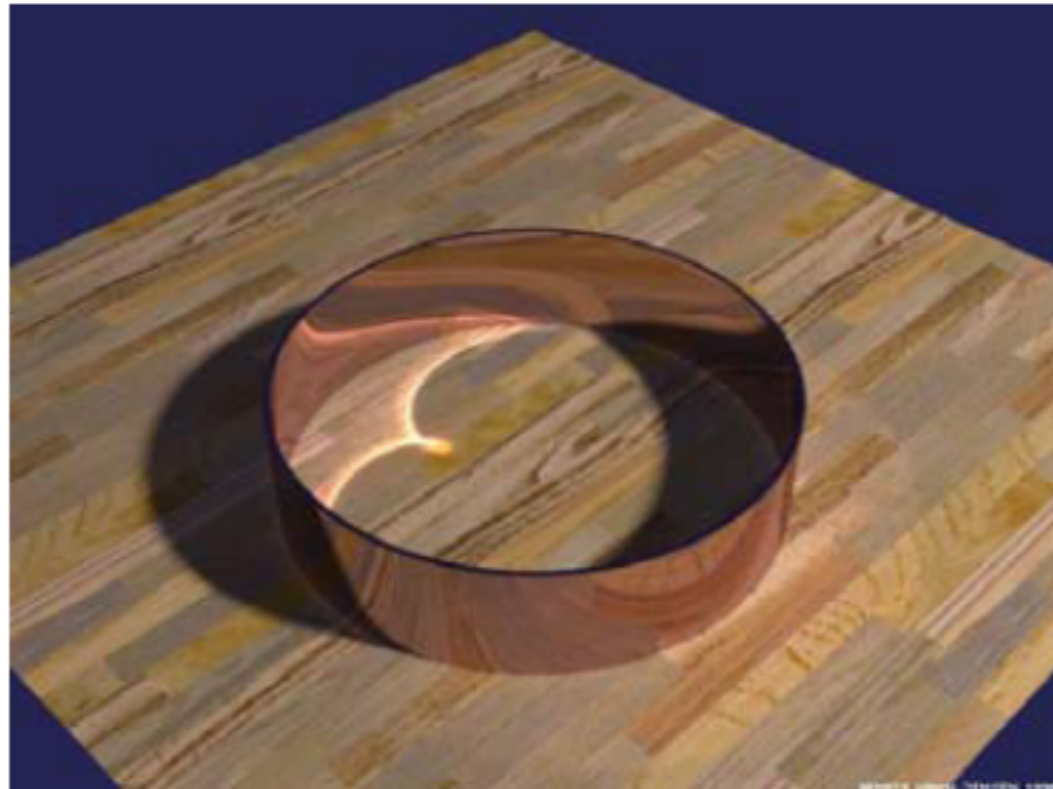


**Tribute to Vermeer  
Program of Computer Graphics, Cornell**



# Caustics

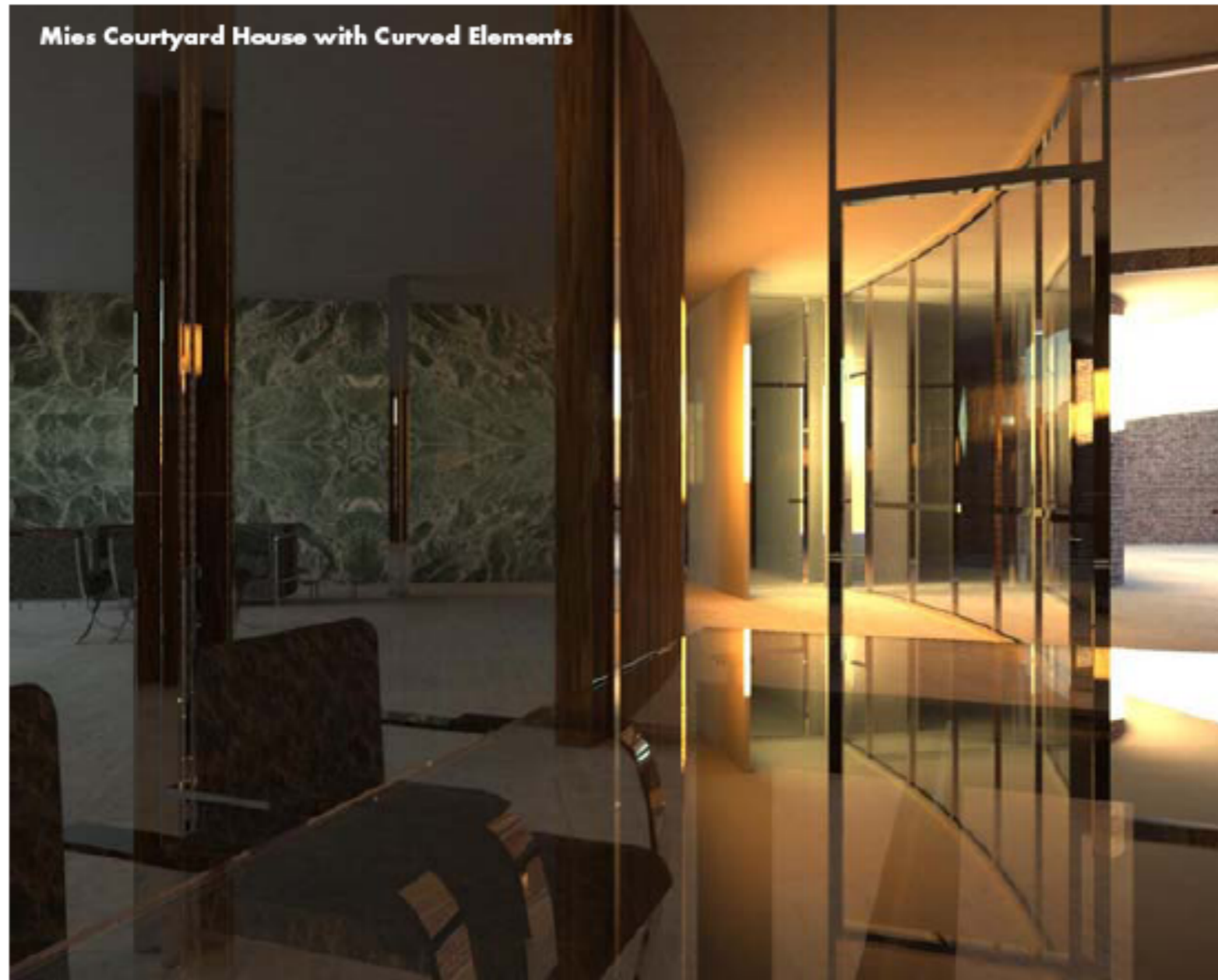
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**Jensen 1995**

# Complex Indirect Illumination

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**Modeling: Stephen Duck; Rendering: Henrik Wann Jensen**

# Translucency

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**Surface Reflection**

CS348B Lecture 1



**Subsurface Reflection**

Pat Hanrahan, Spring 2007



# Rendering Algorithms



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# Introduction to Realtime Ray Tracing

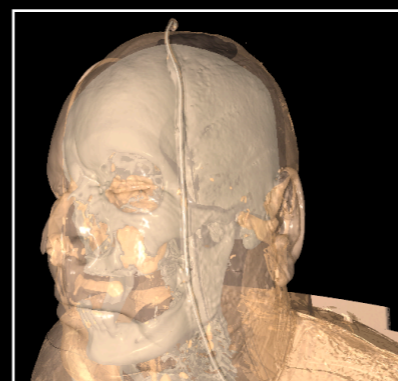
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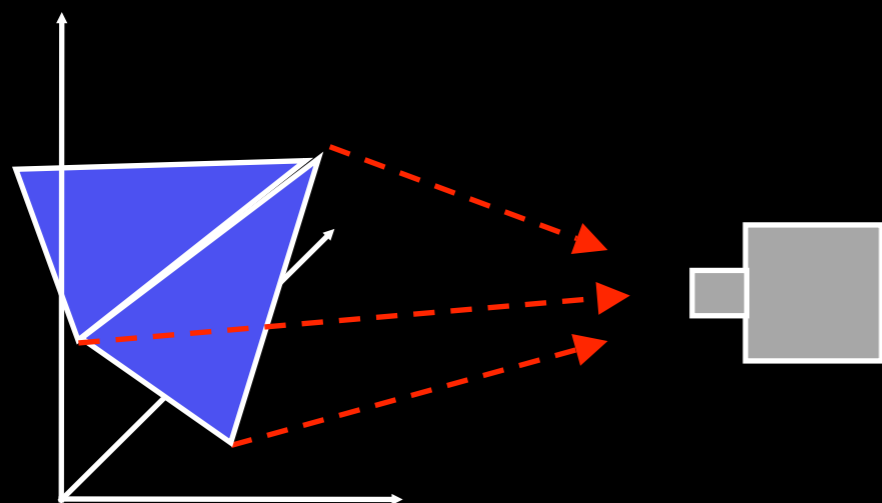




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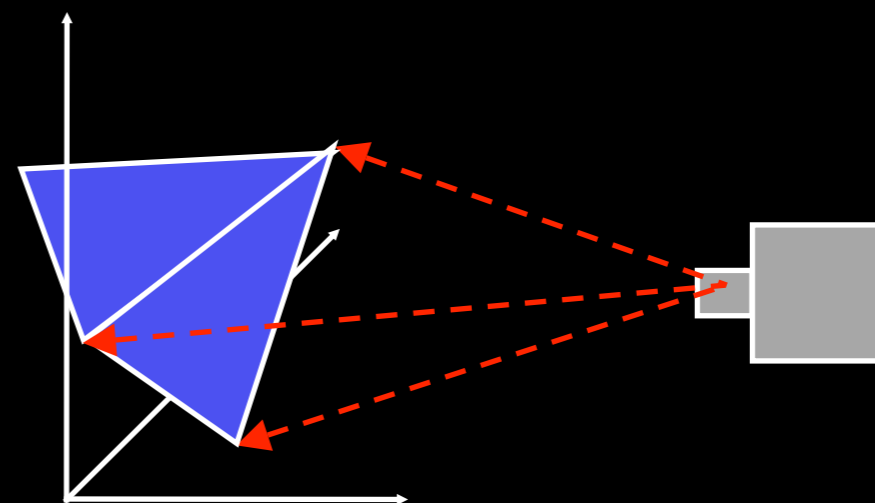
# Rendering Algorithms

## Rendering in Computer Graphics



### **Rasterization:**

Projection geometry forward



### **Ray Tracing:**

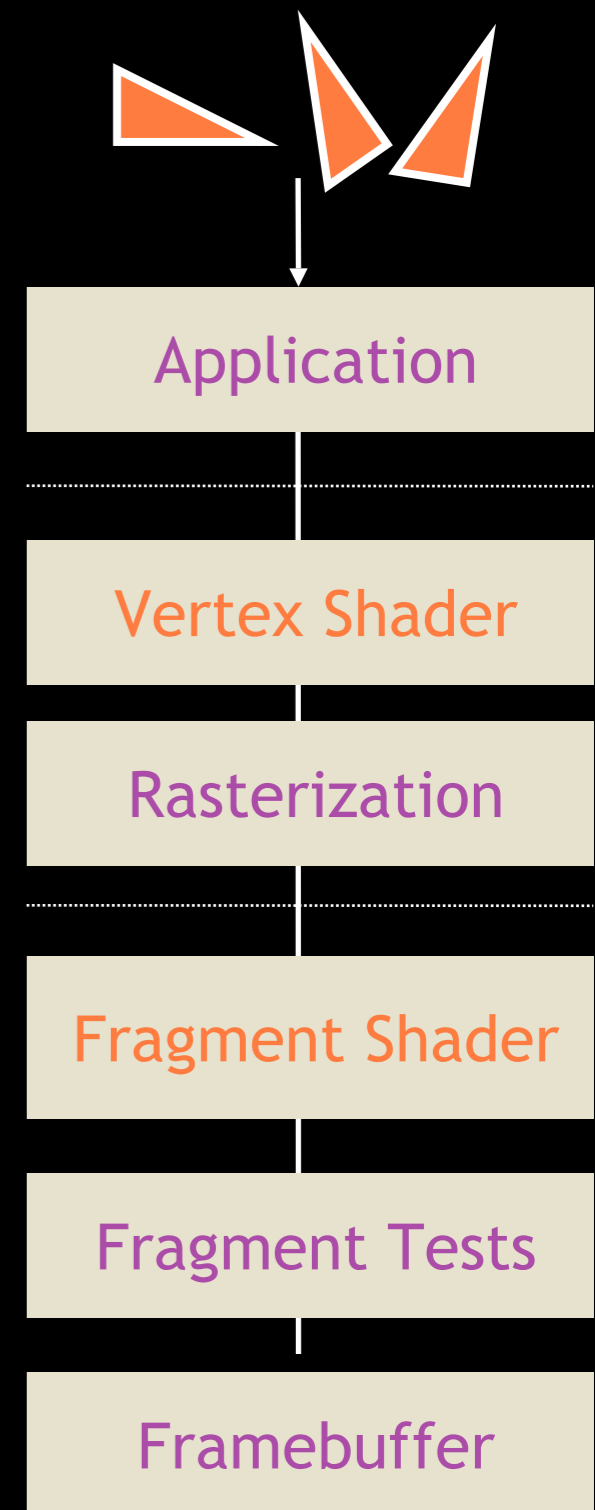
Project image samples backwards

# Current Technology: Rasterization



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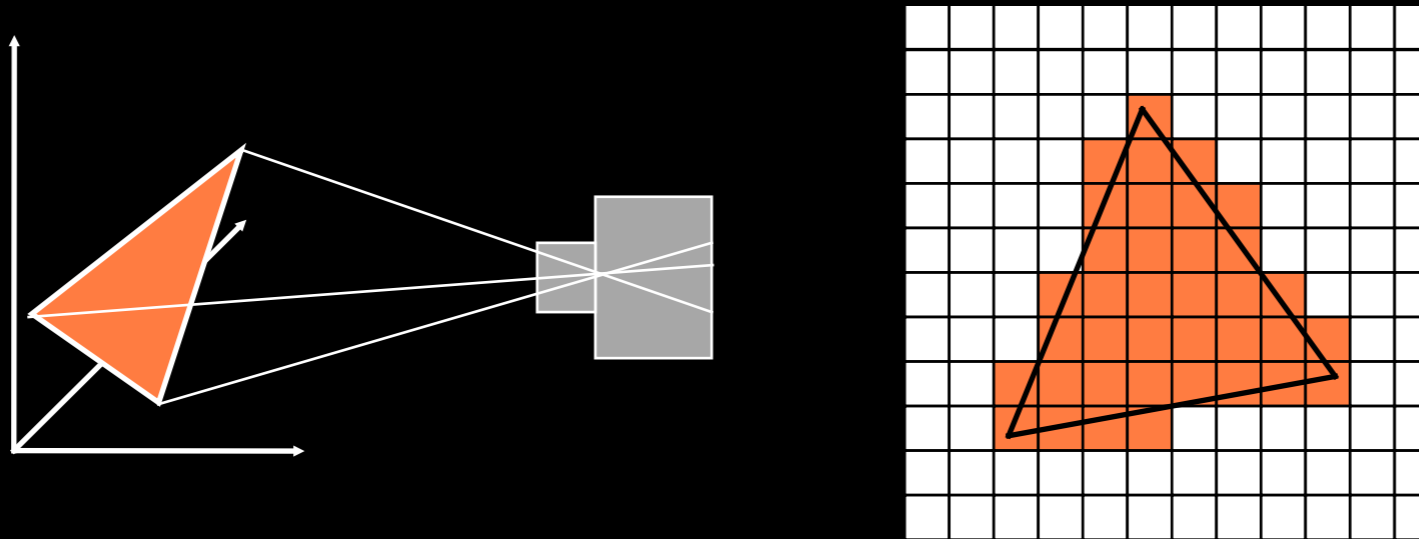
- Rasterization-Pipeline
  - Highly successful technology
  - From graphics supercomputers to an add-on in a PC chip-set
- Advantages
  - Simple and proven algorithm
  - Getting faster quickly
  - Trend towards full programmability



# Current Technology: Rasterization



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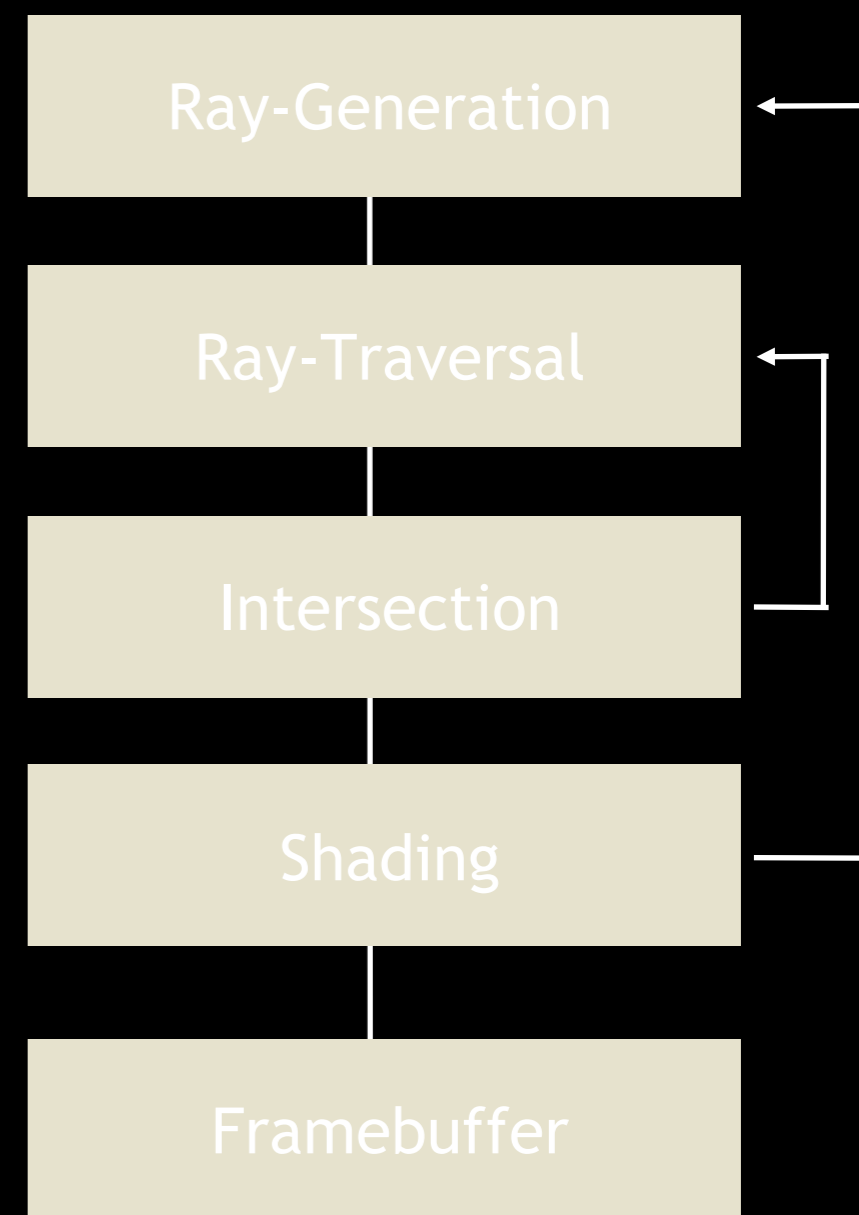
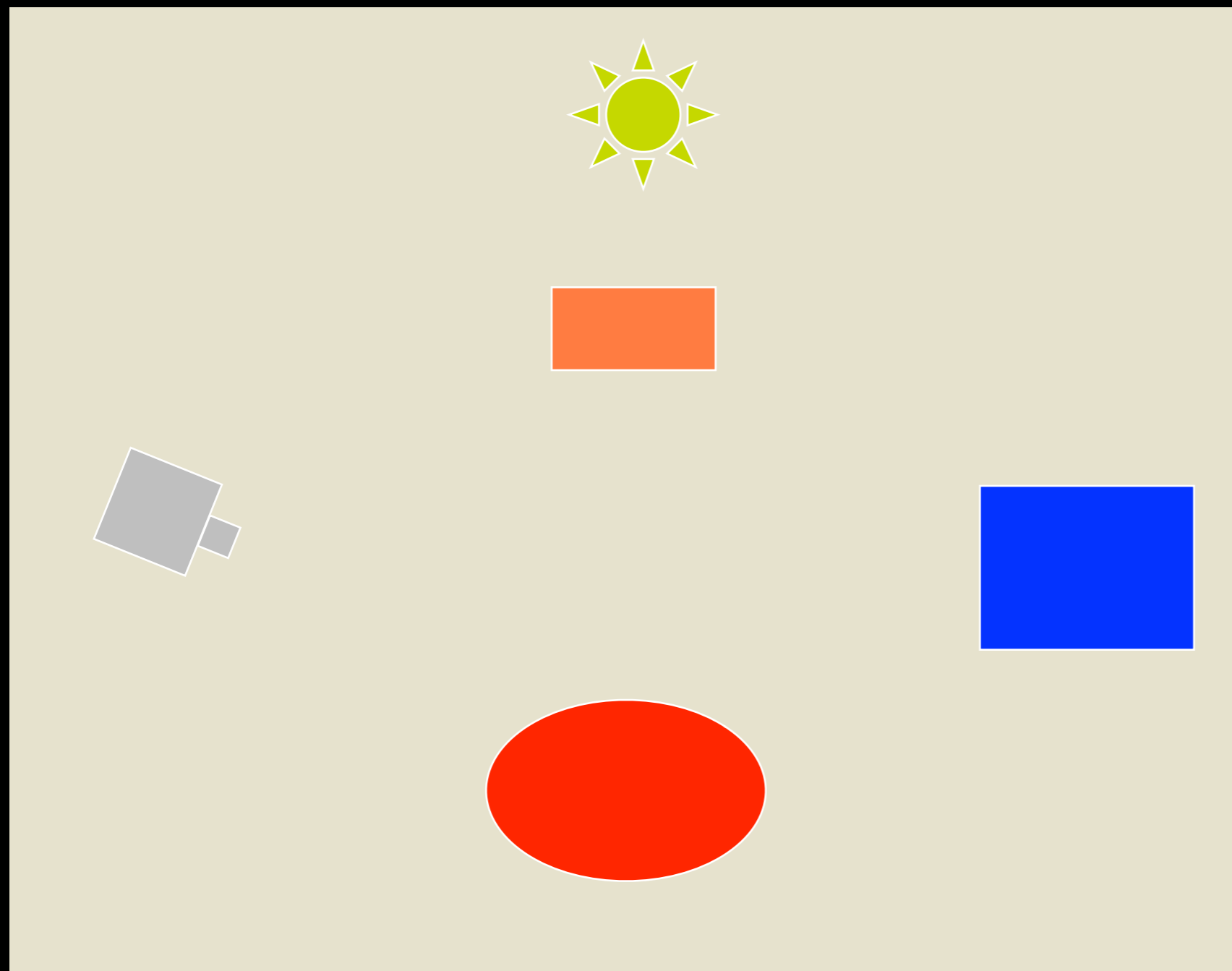


- Primitive operation of all interactive graphics !!
  - Scan converts a single triangle at a time
- Sequentially processes *every* triangle *individually*
  - Cannot access more than one triangle at a time
  - ➔ But most effects need access to the entire scene:  
Shadows, reflection, global illumination



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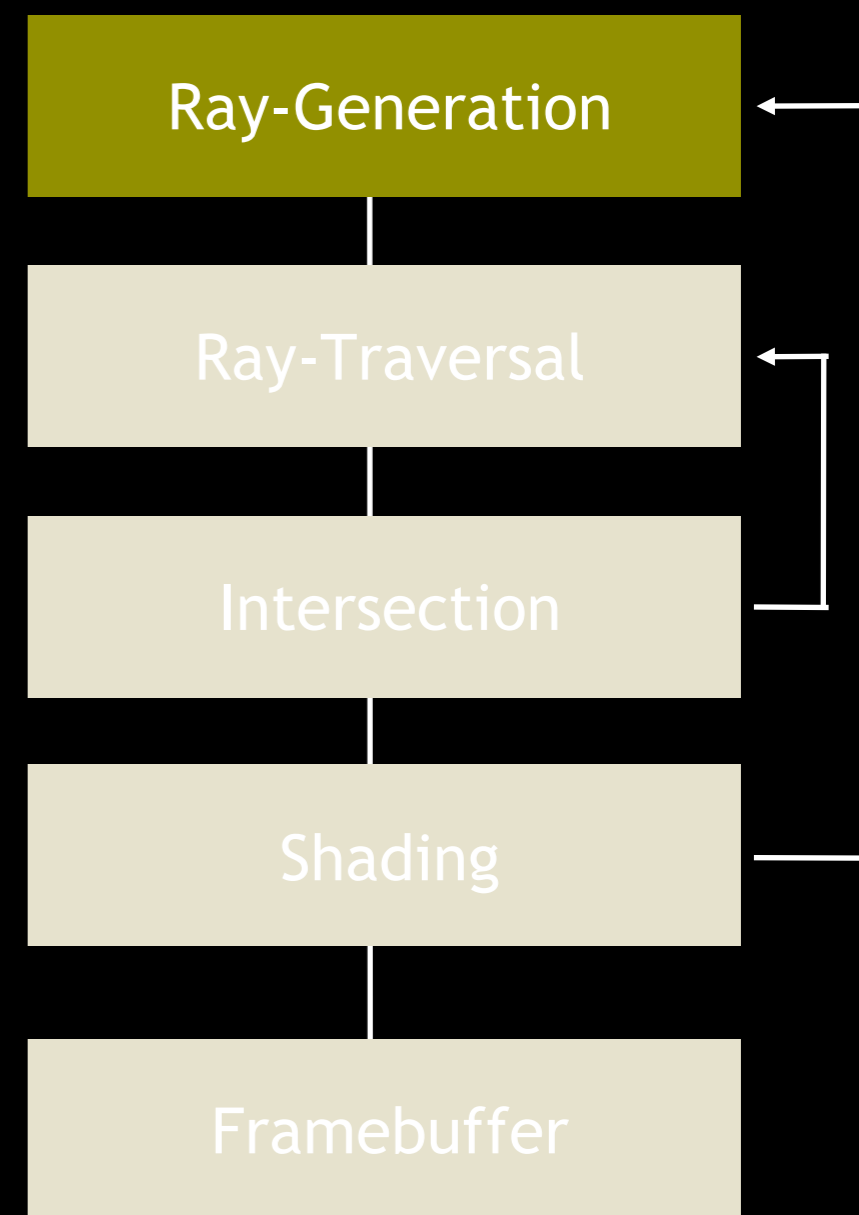
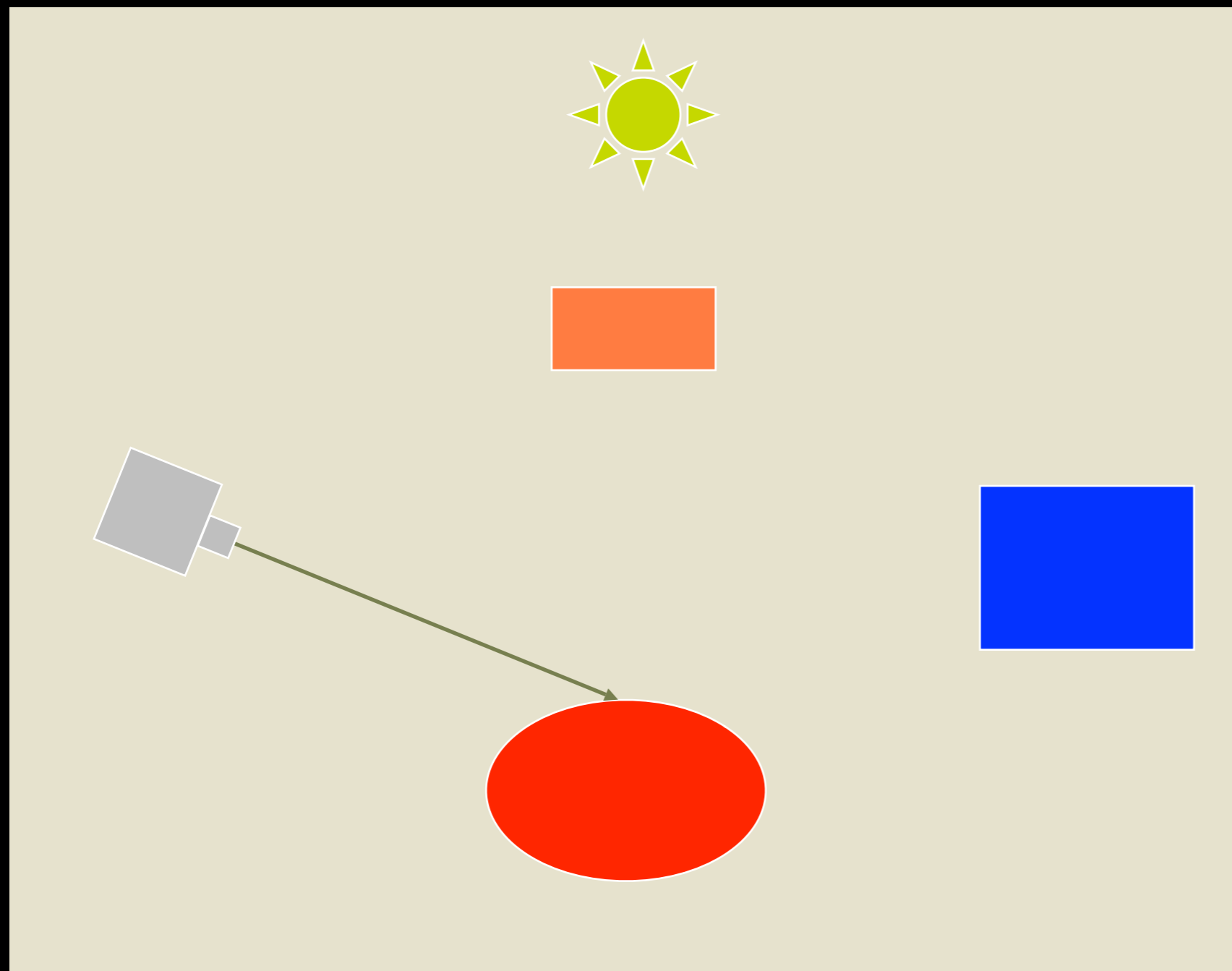
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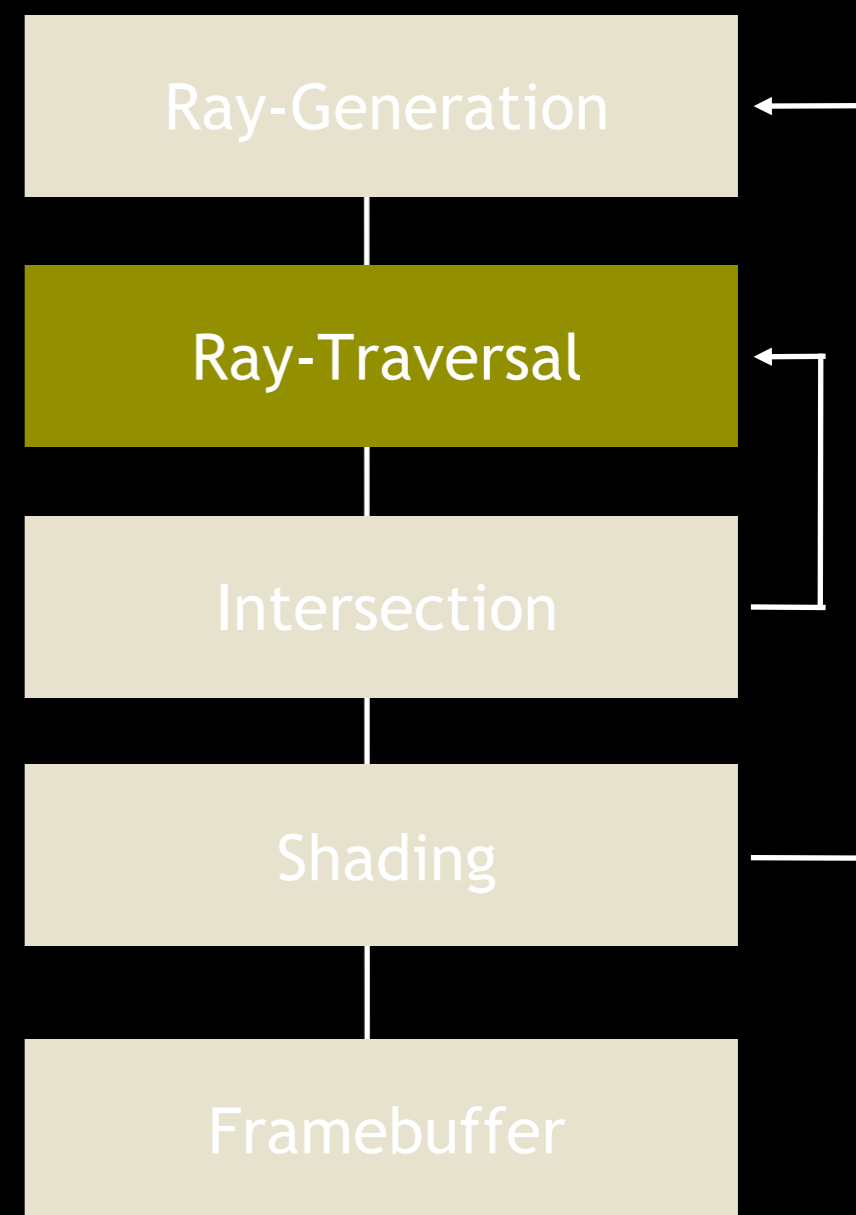
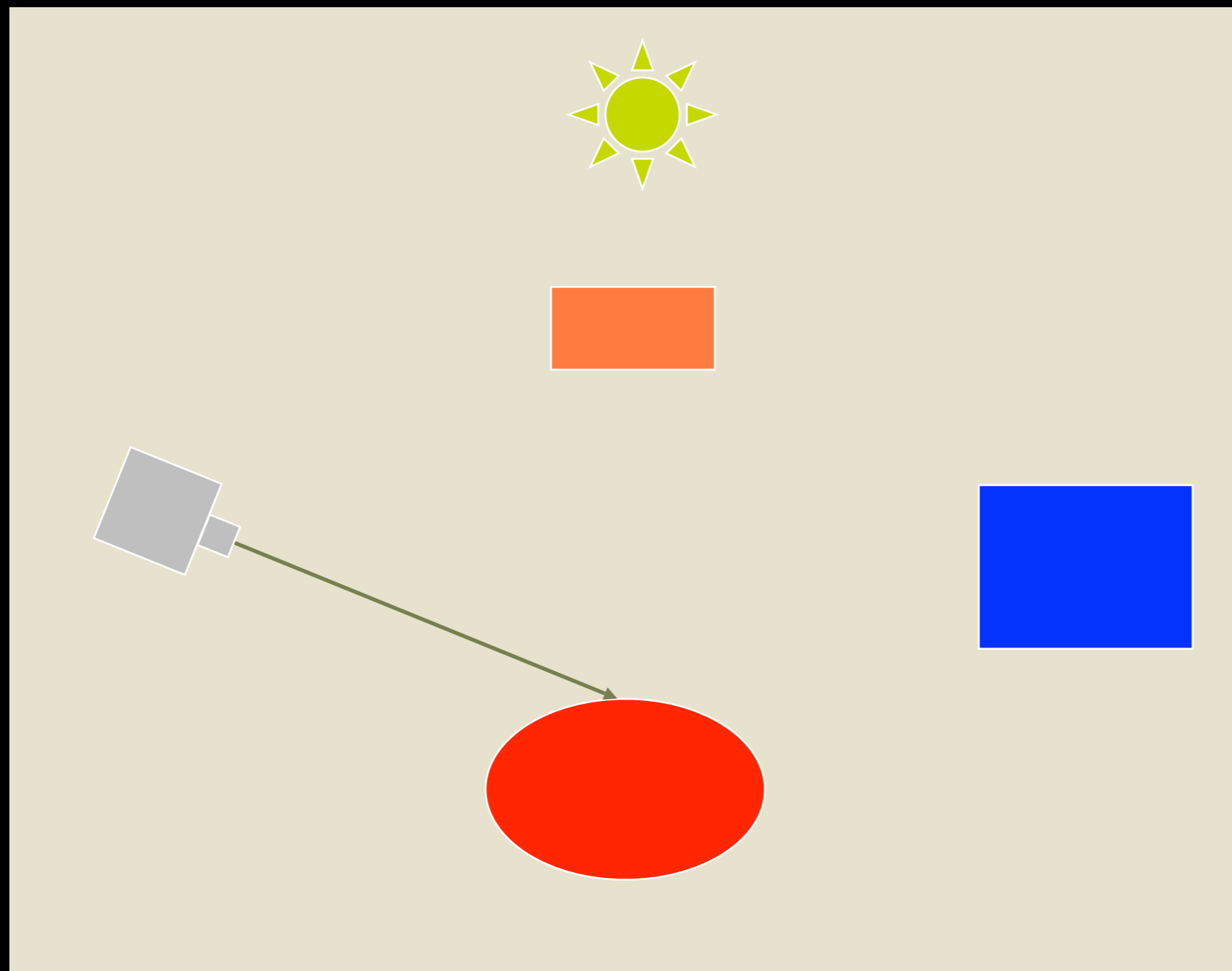
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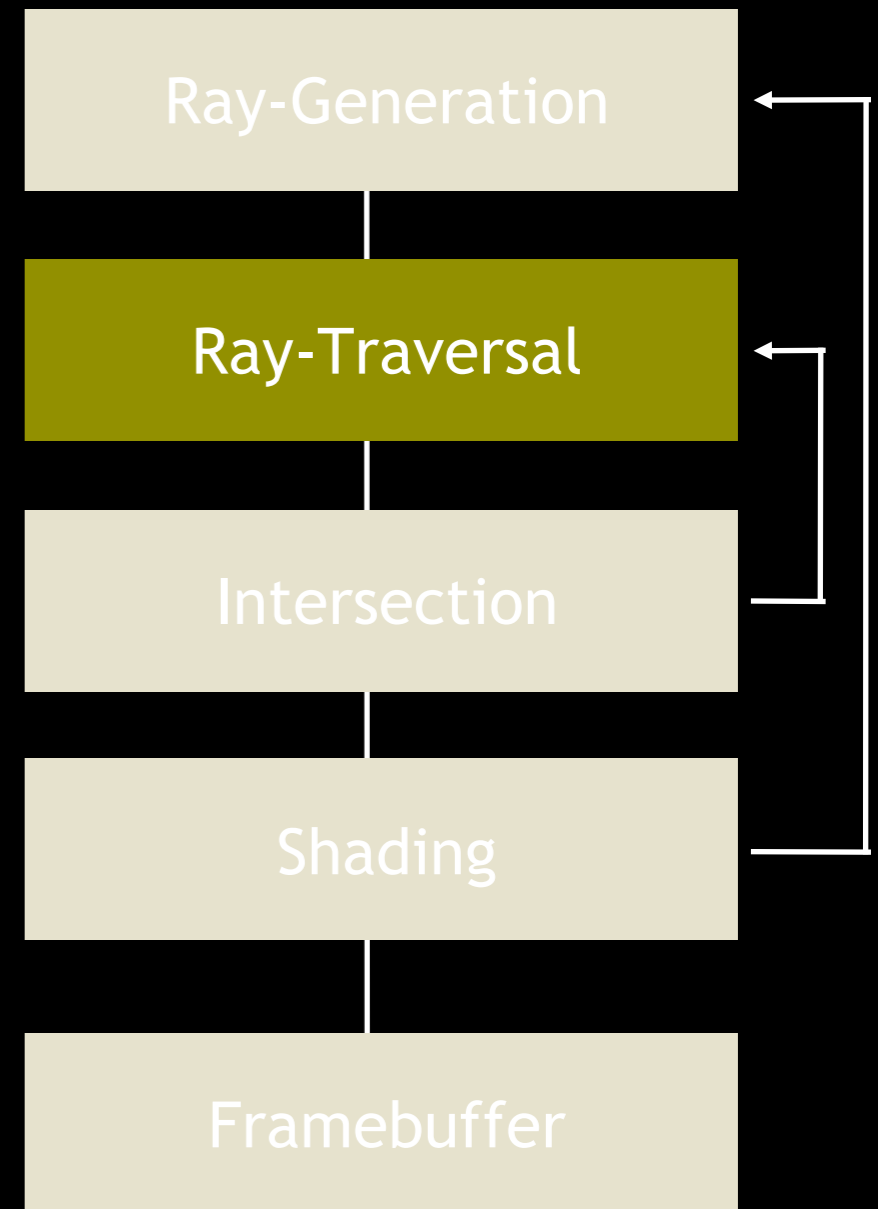
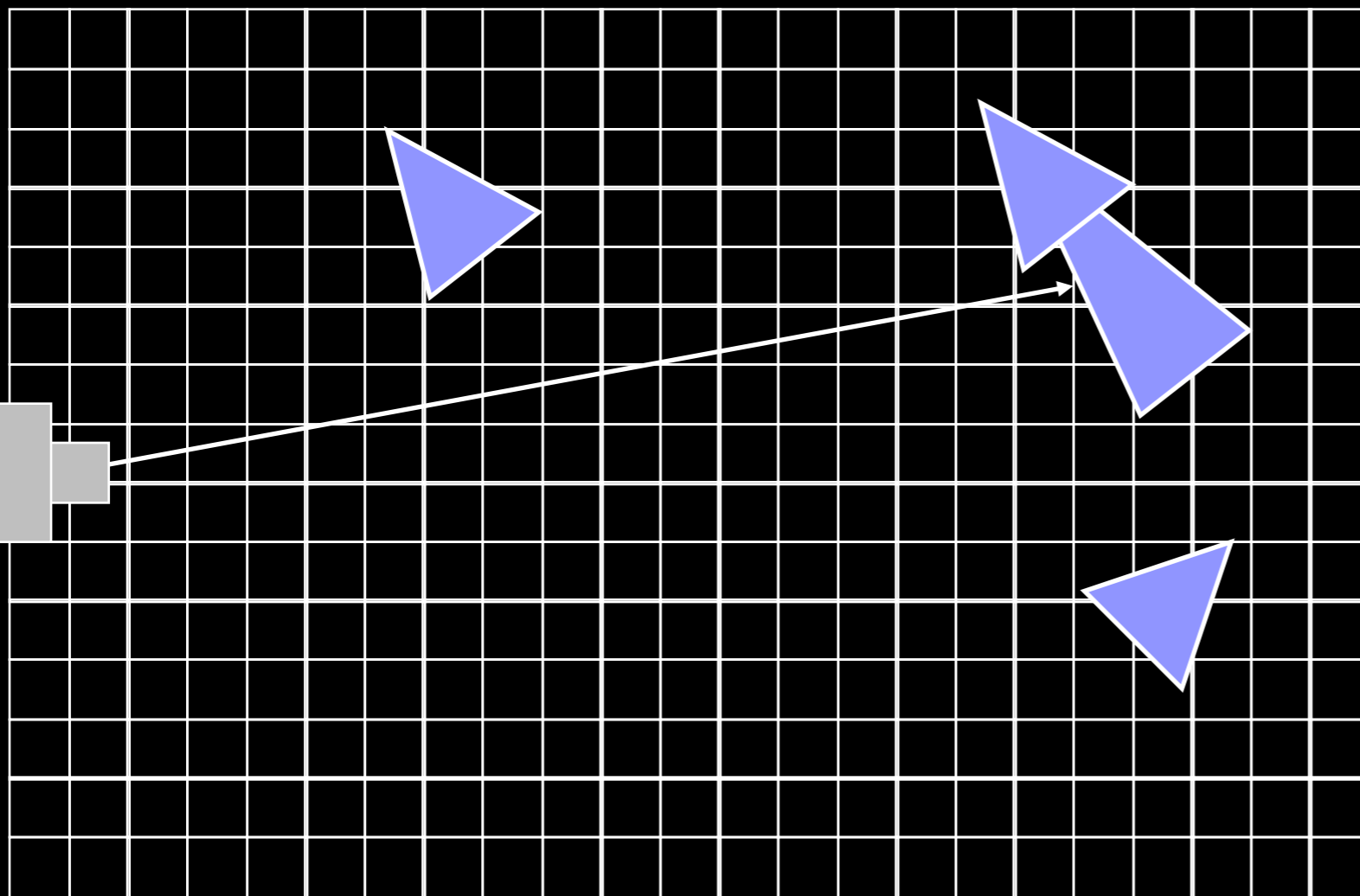




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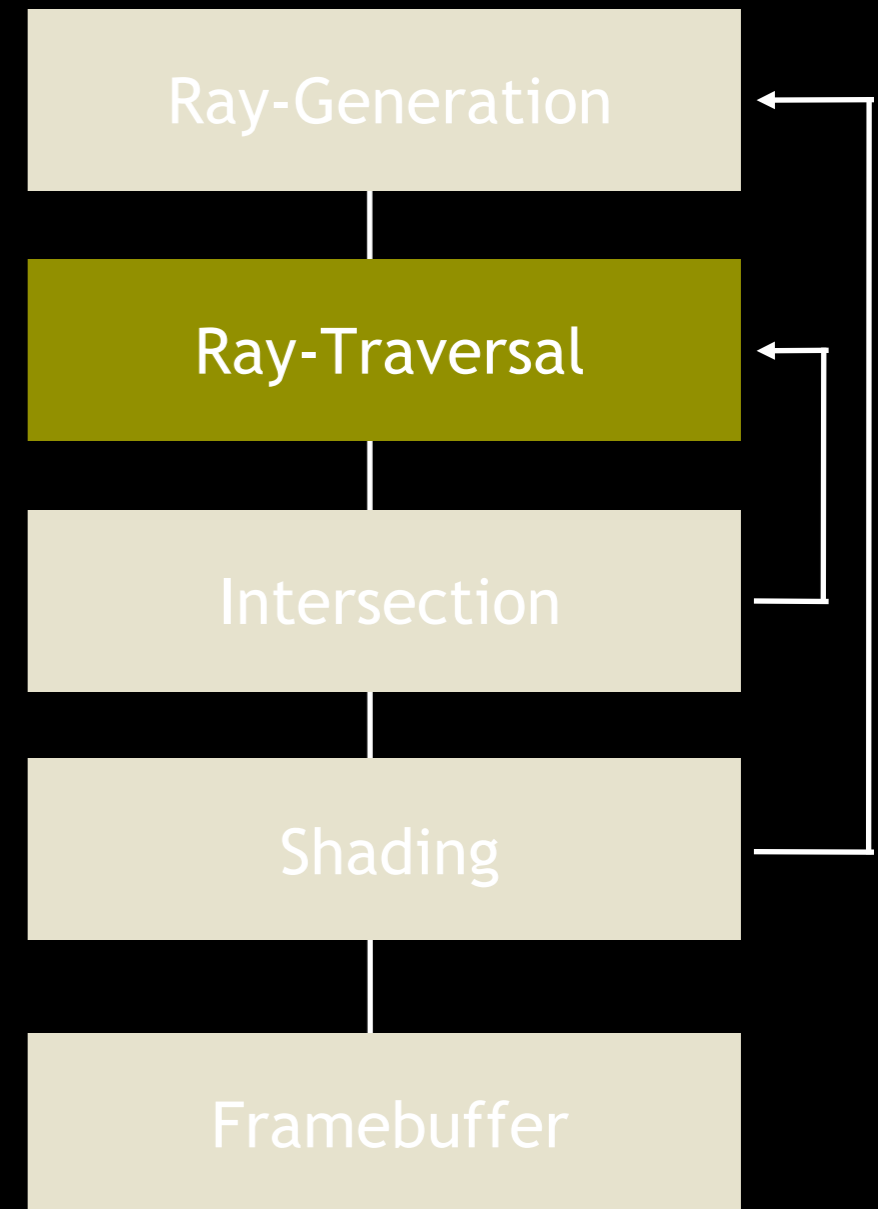
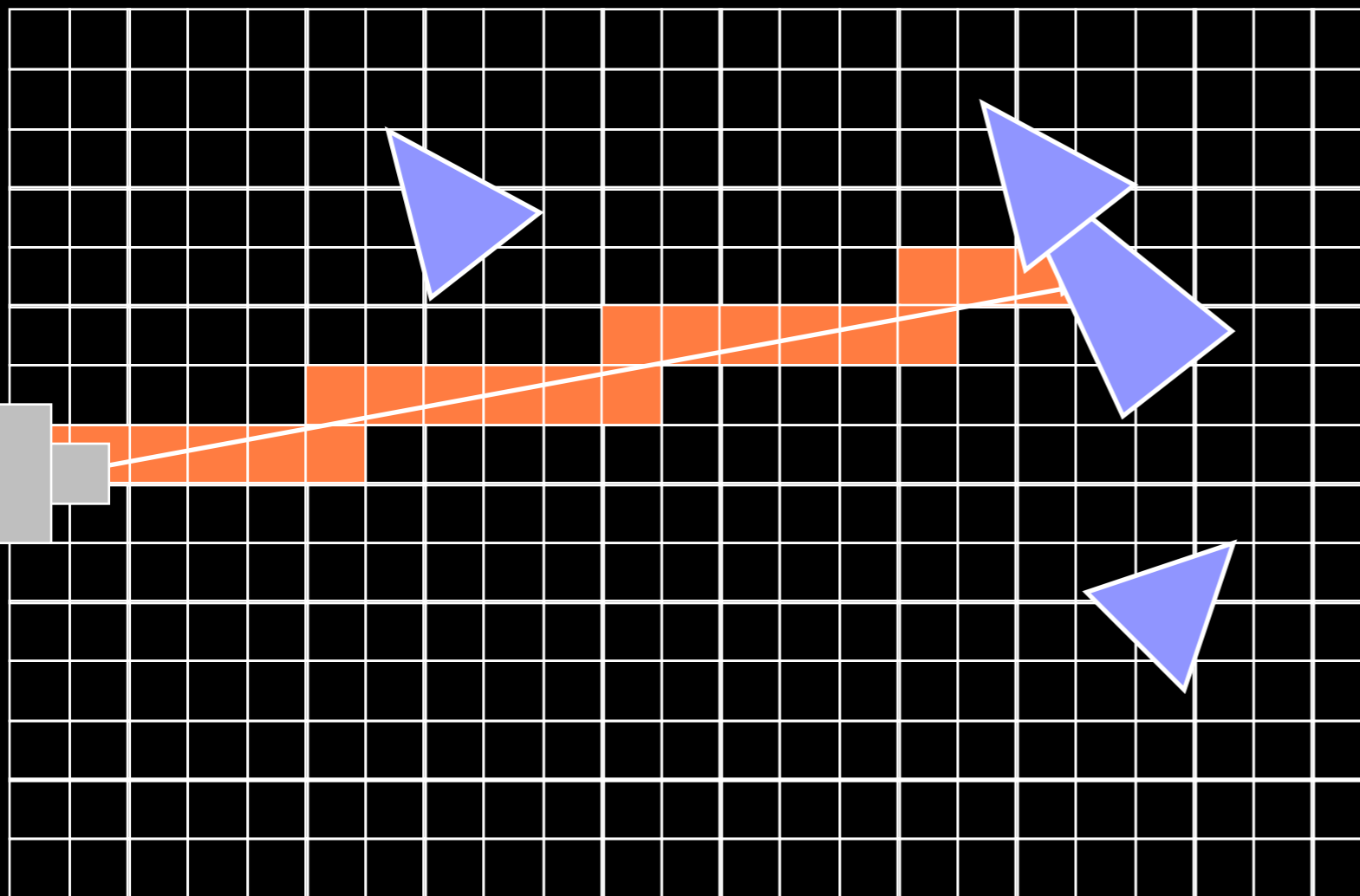
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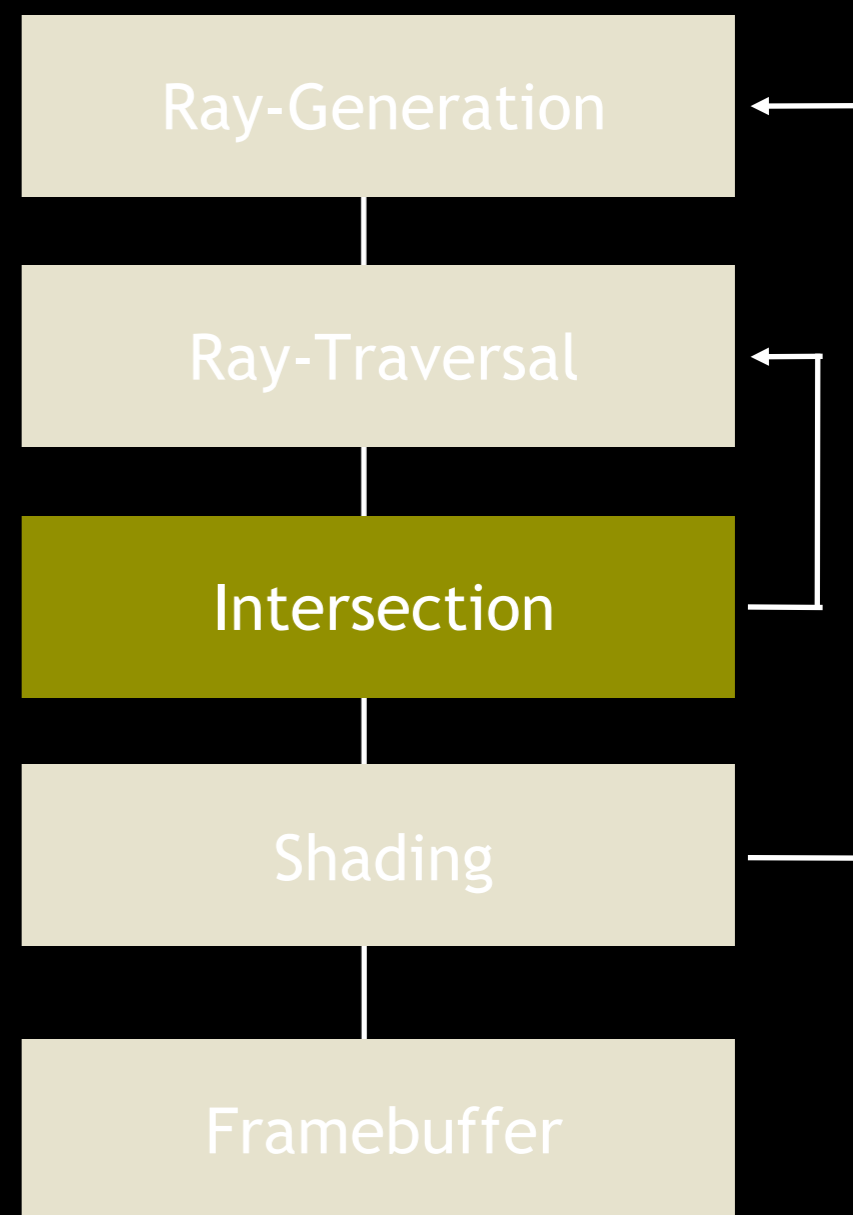
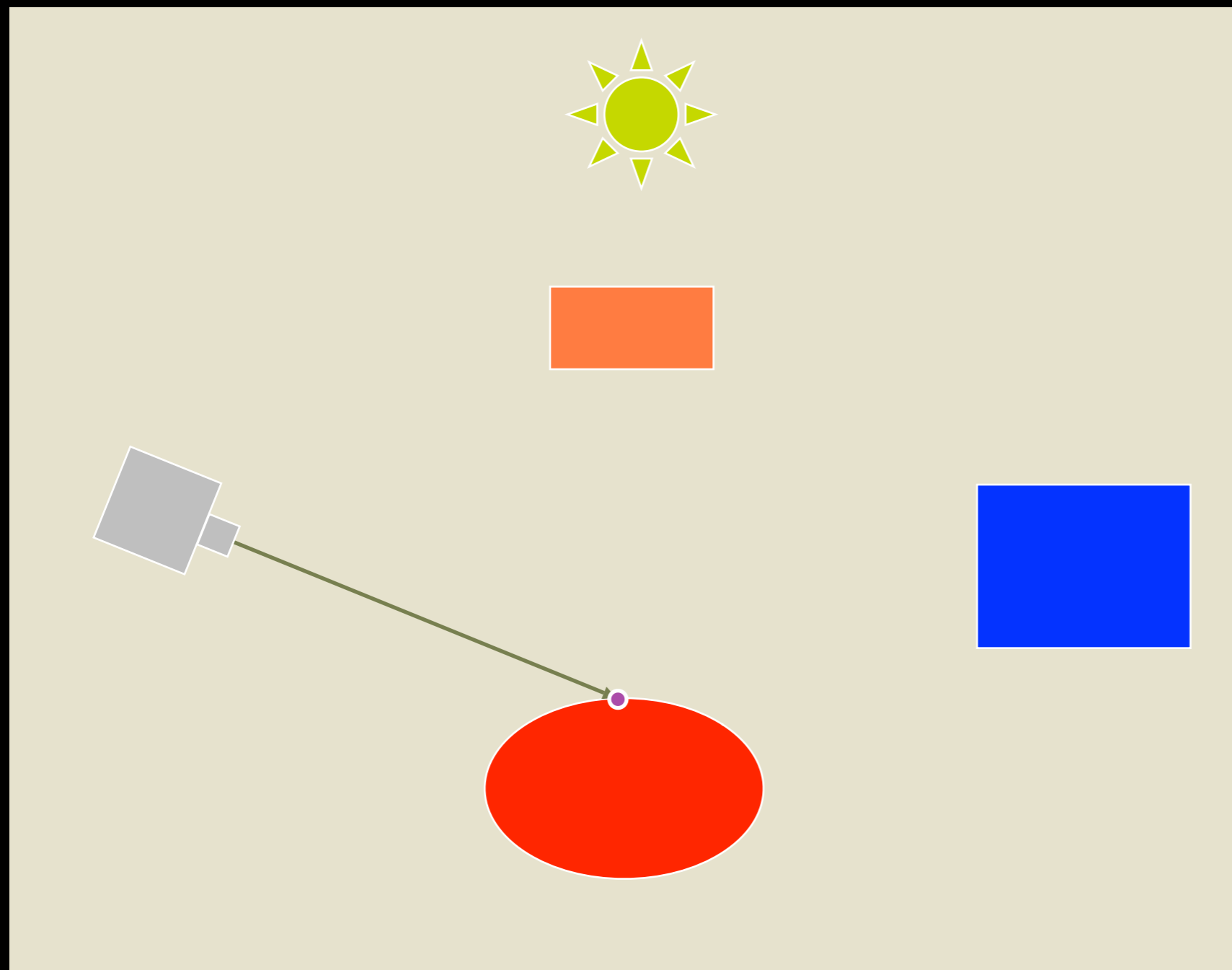


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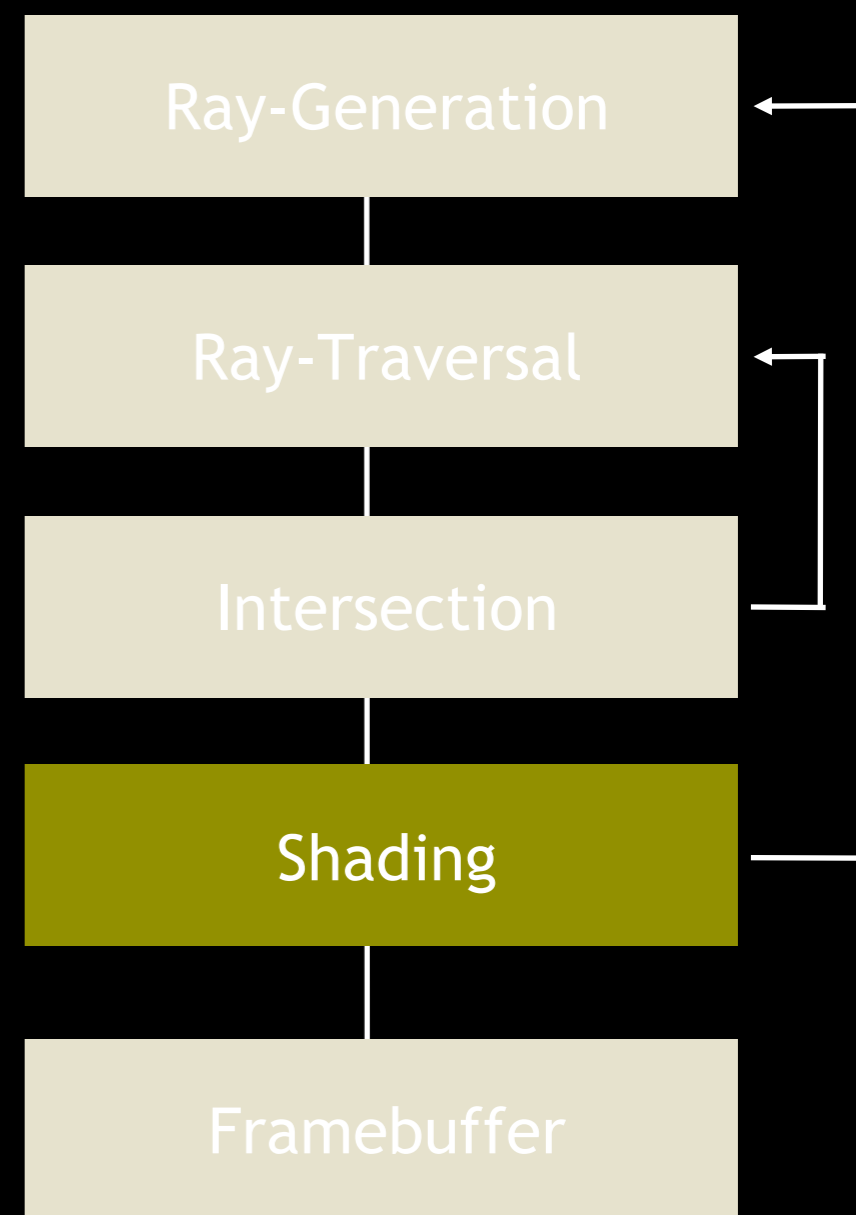
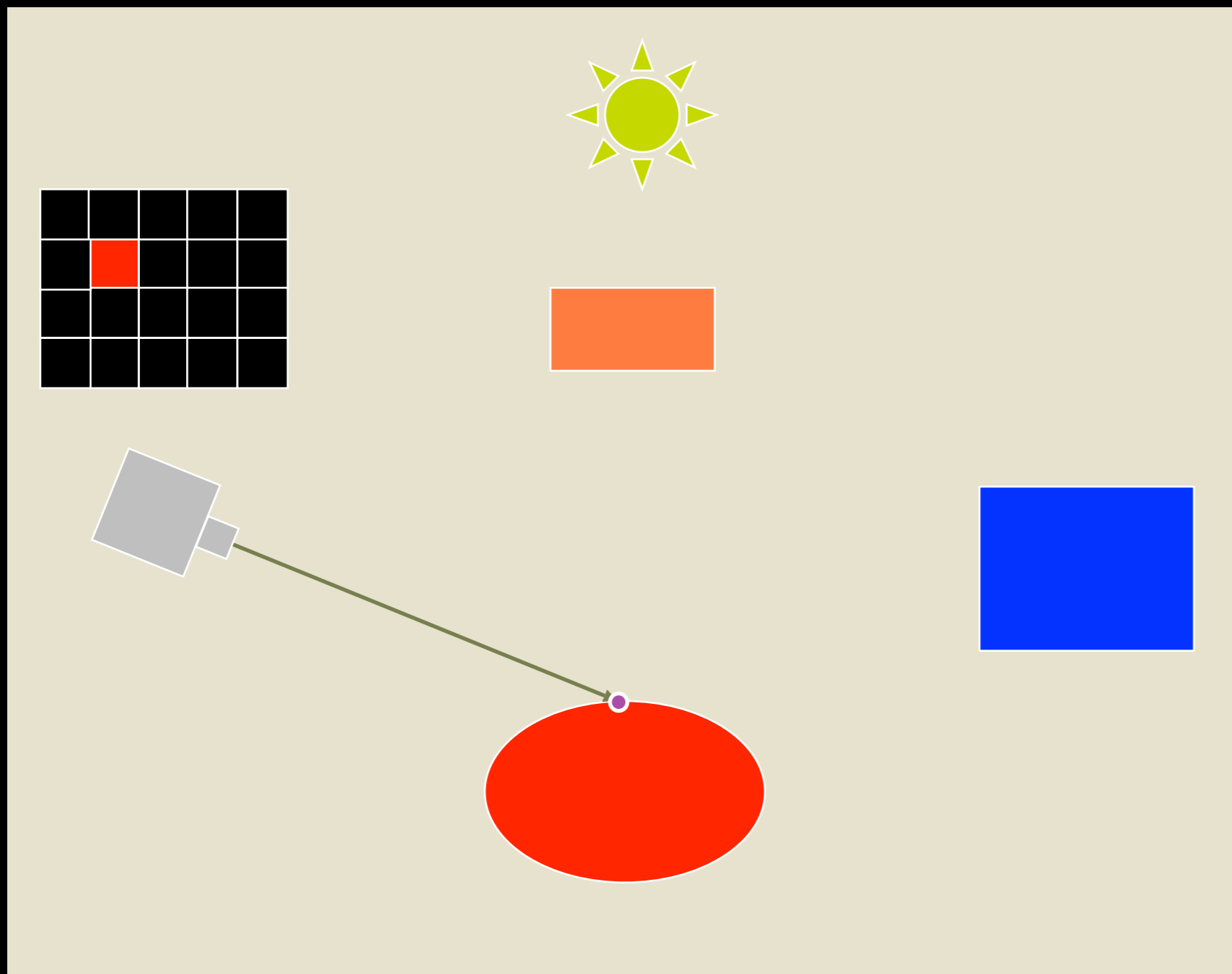


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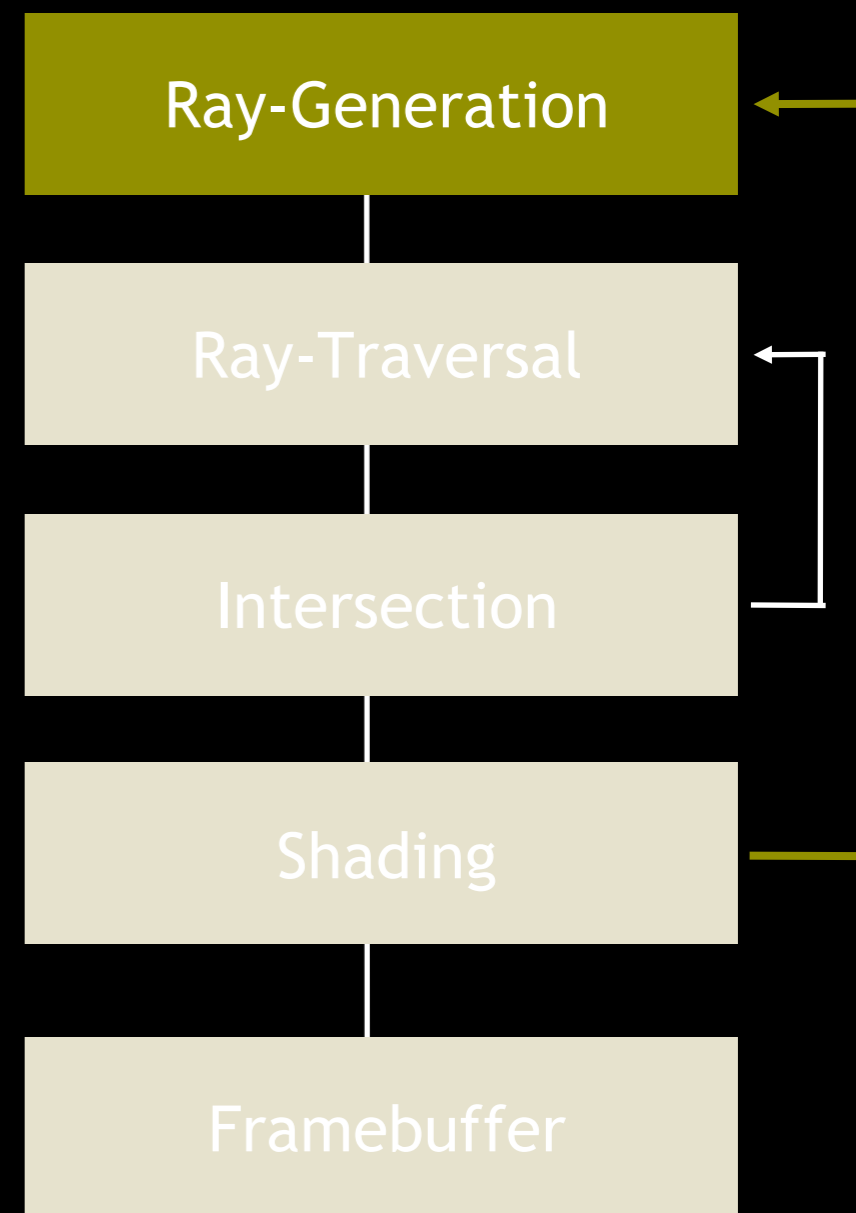
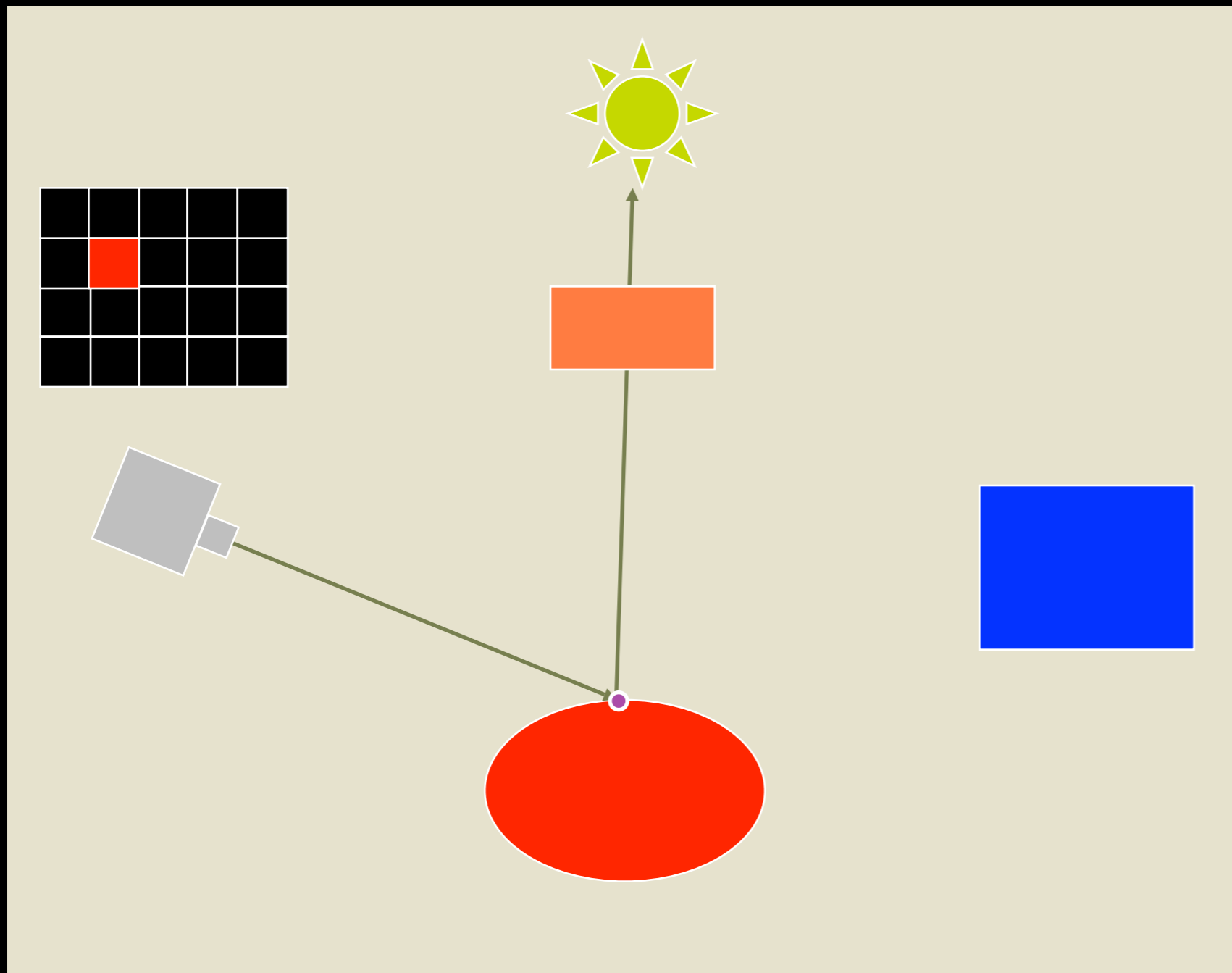


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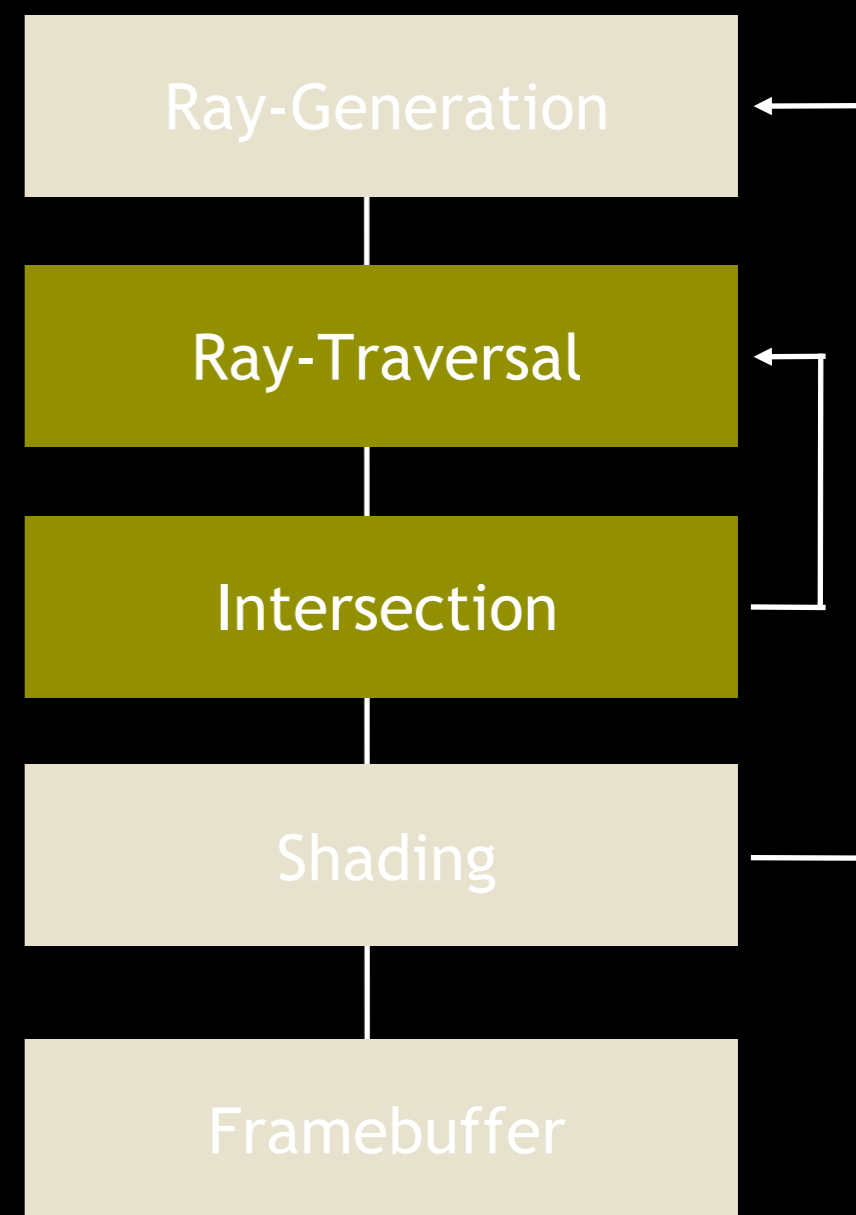
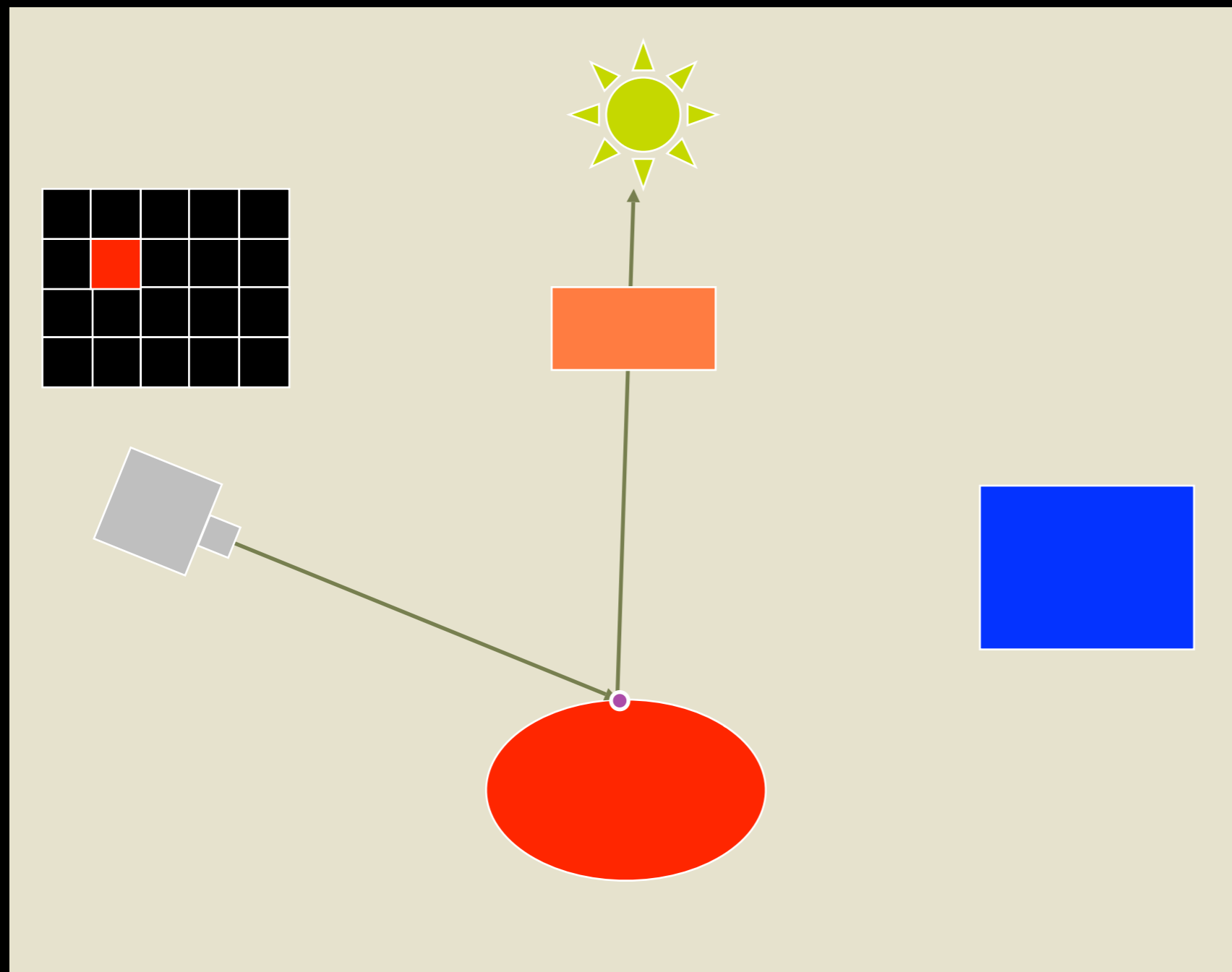
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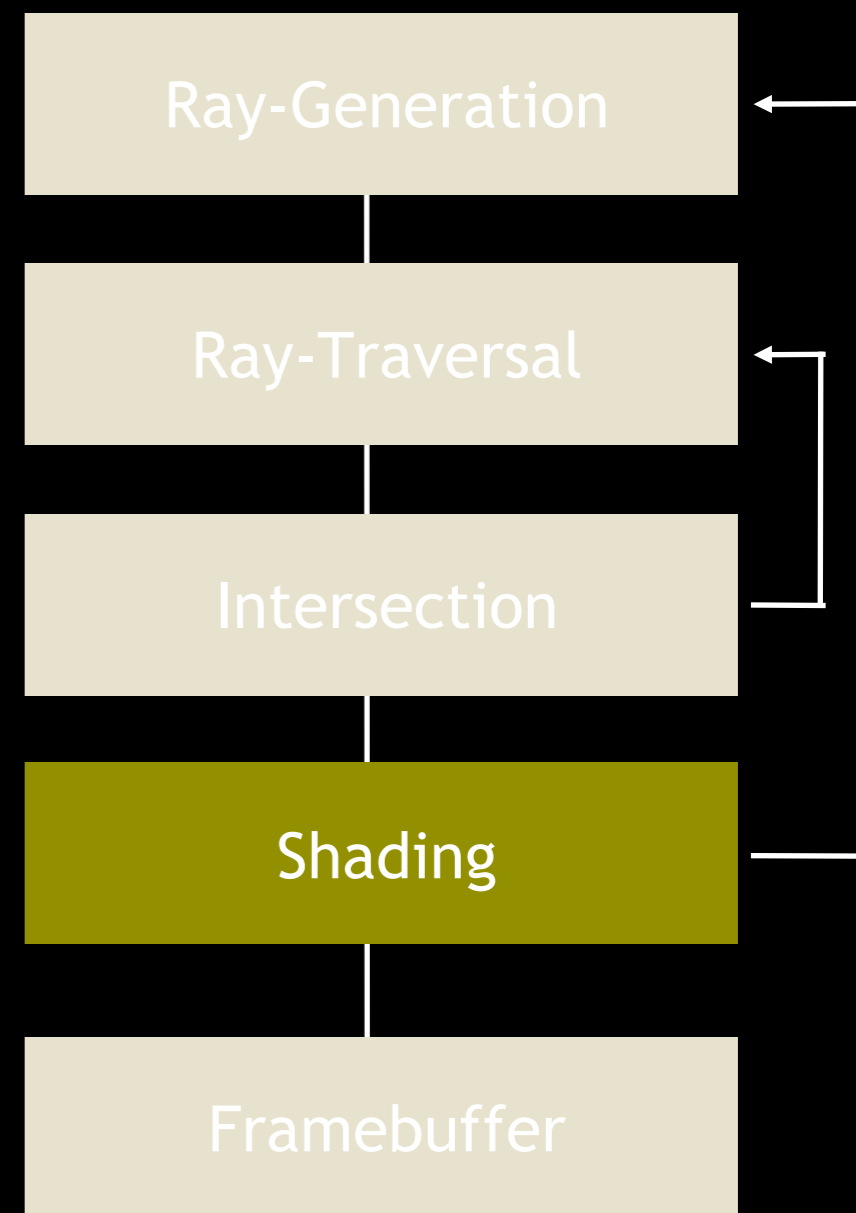
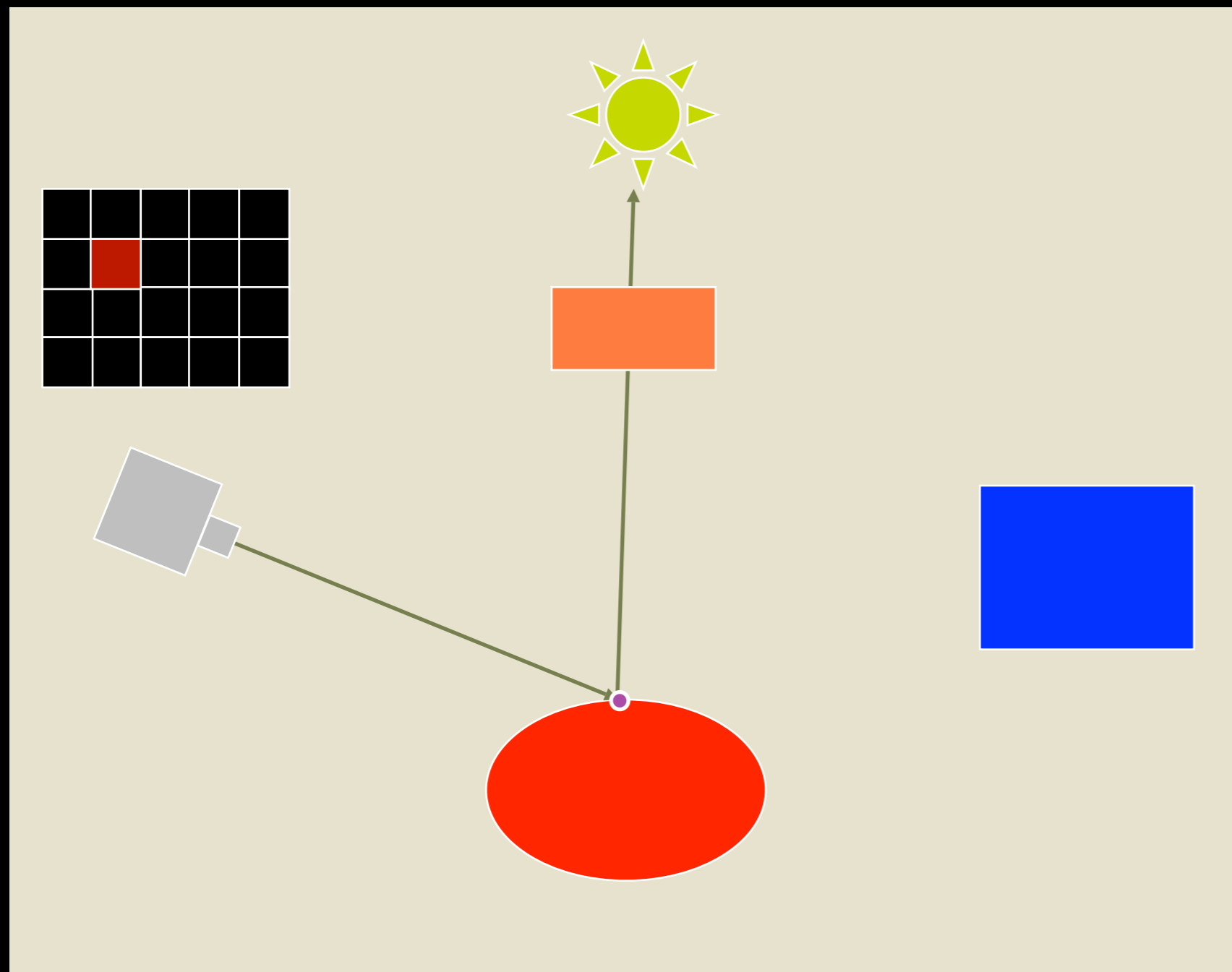
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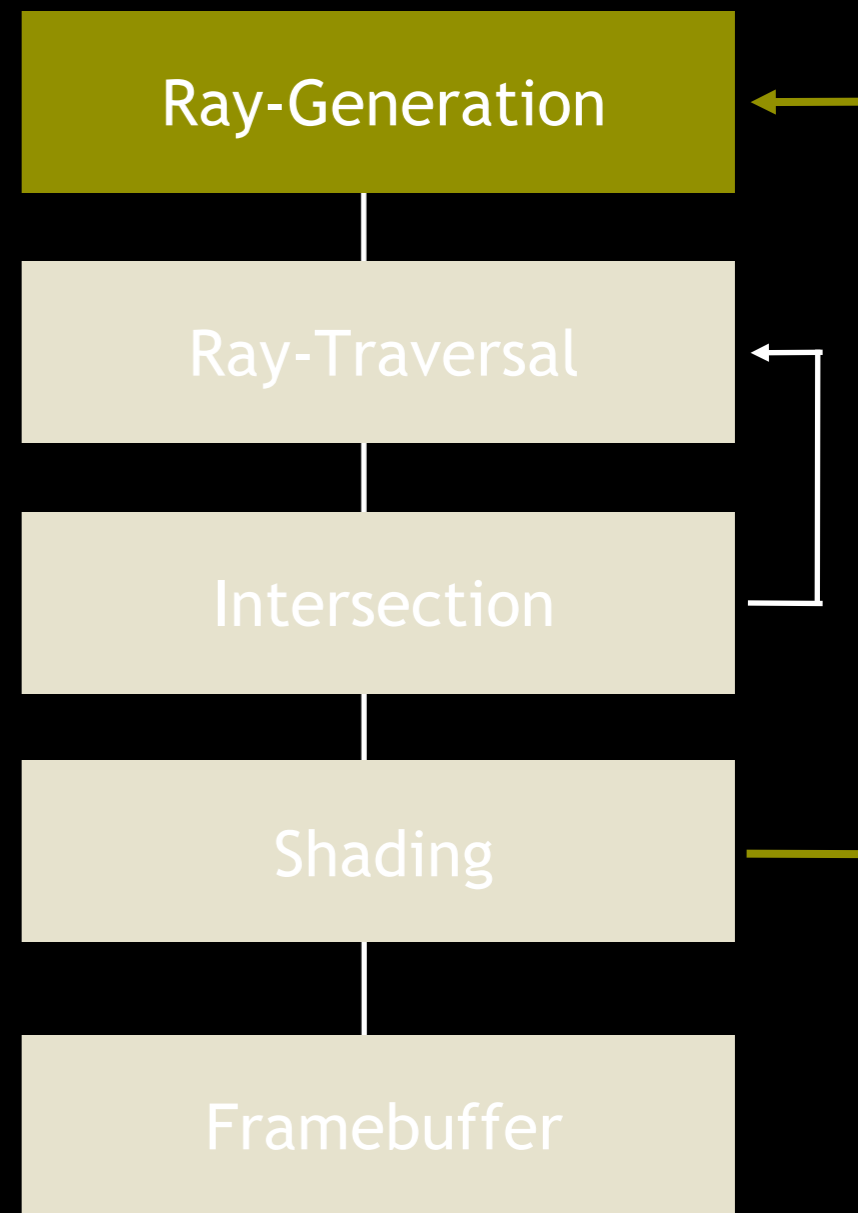
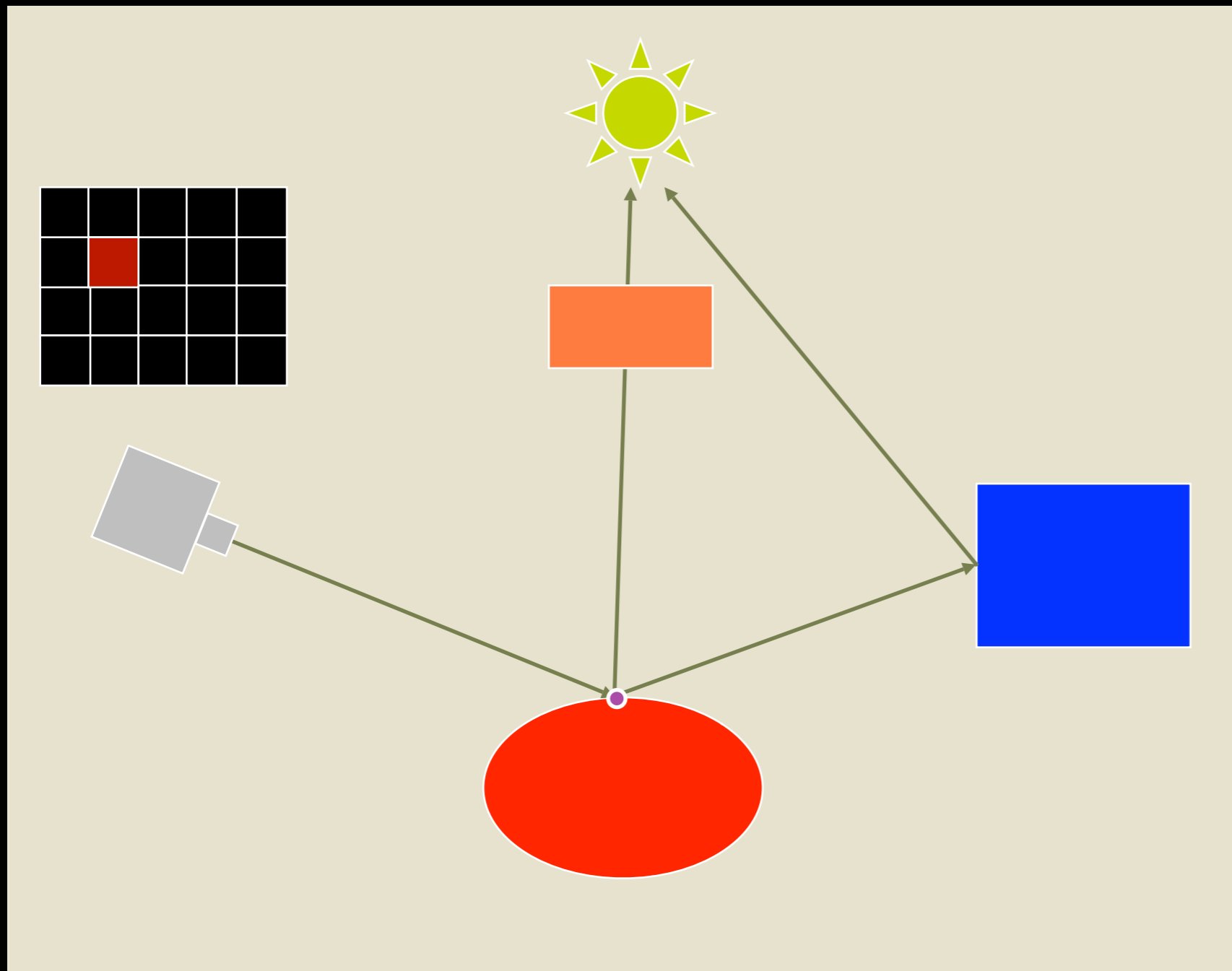


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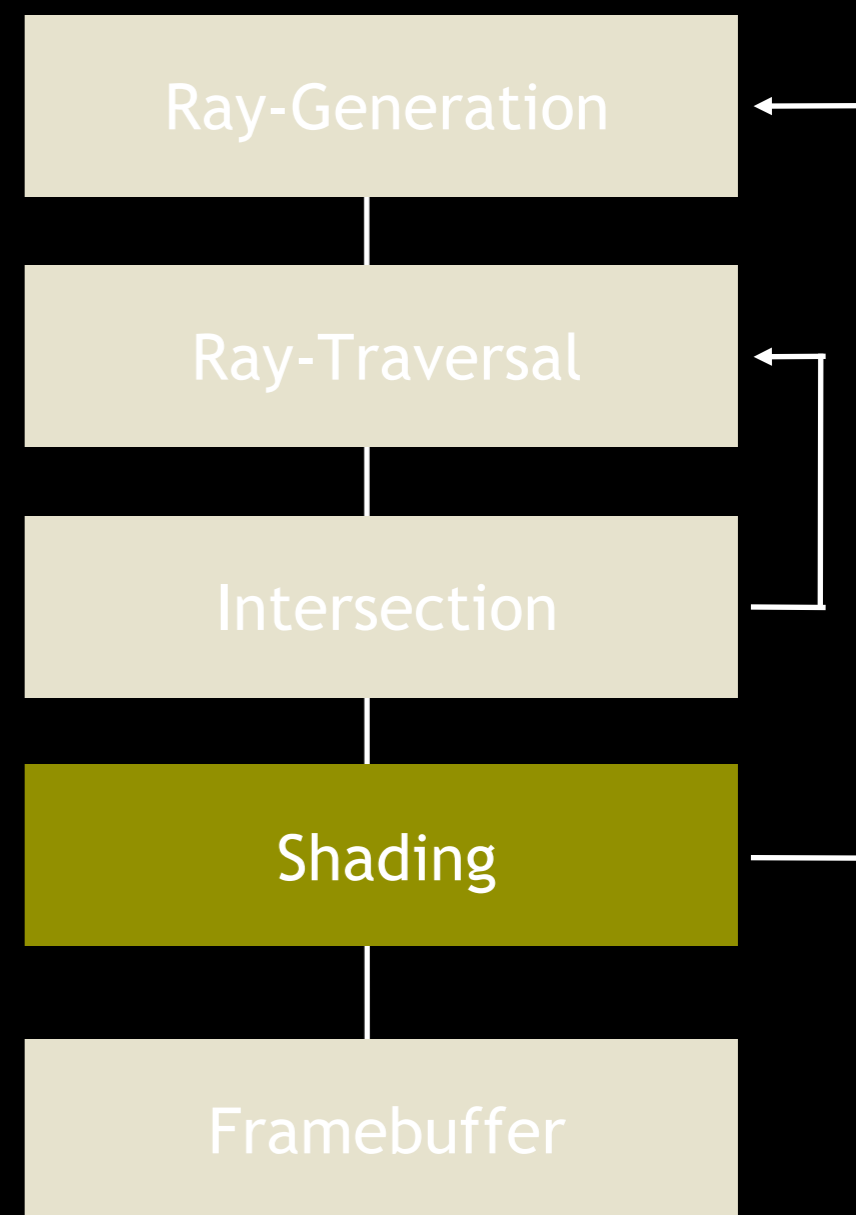
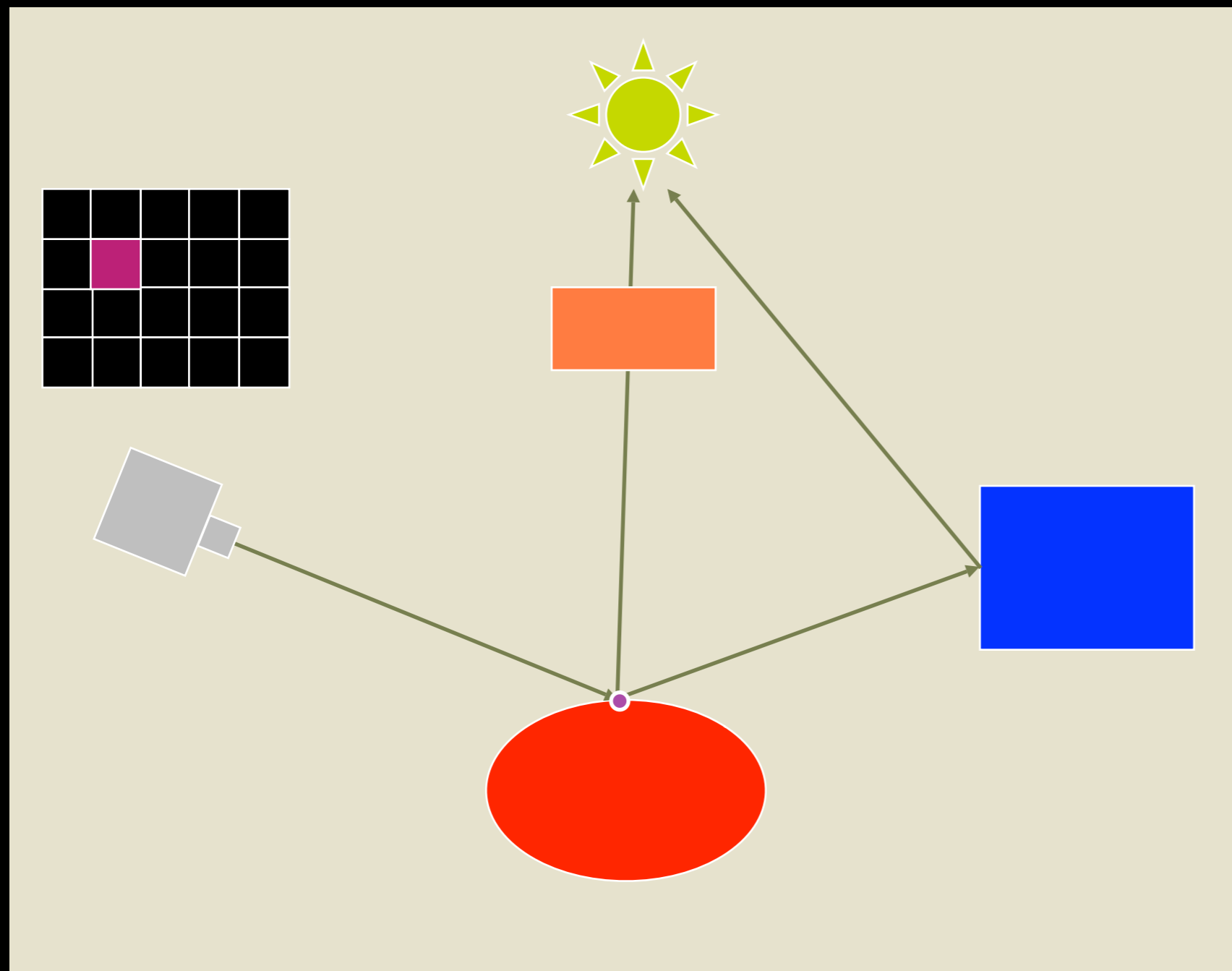
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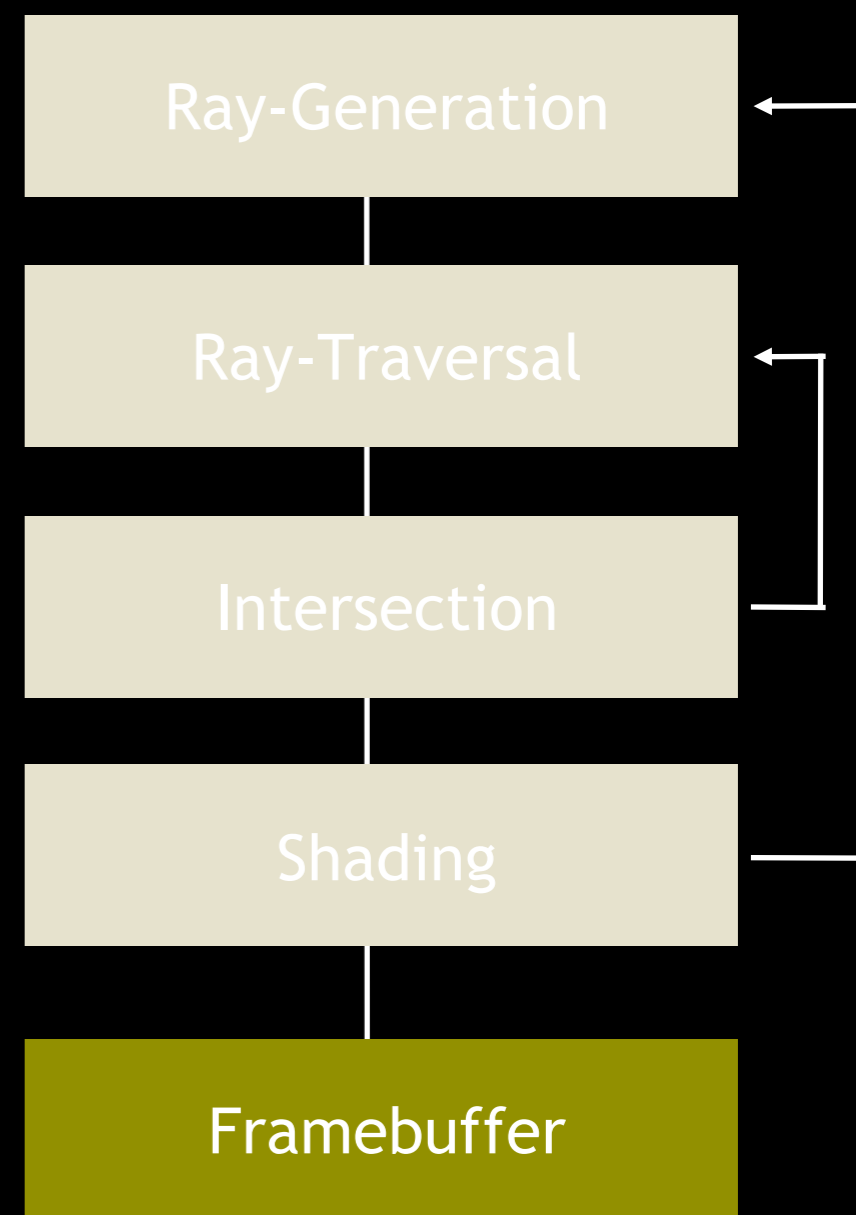
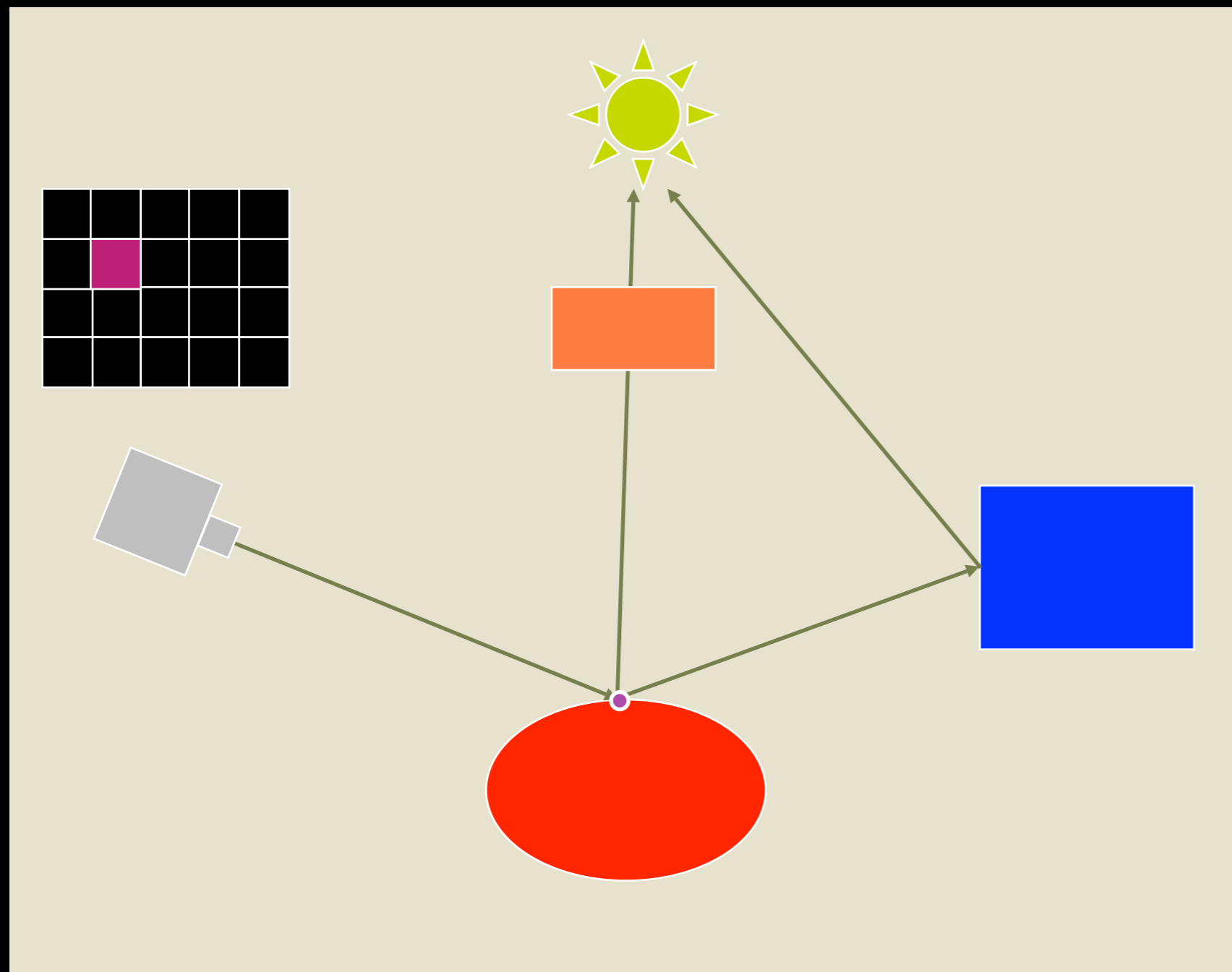


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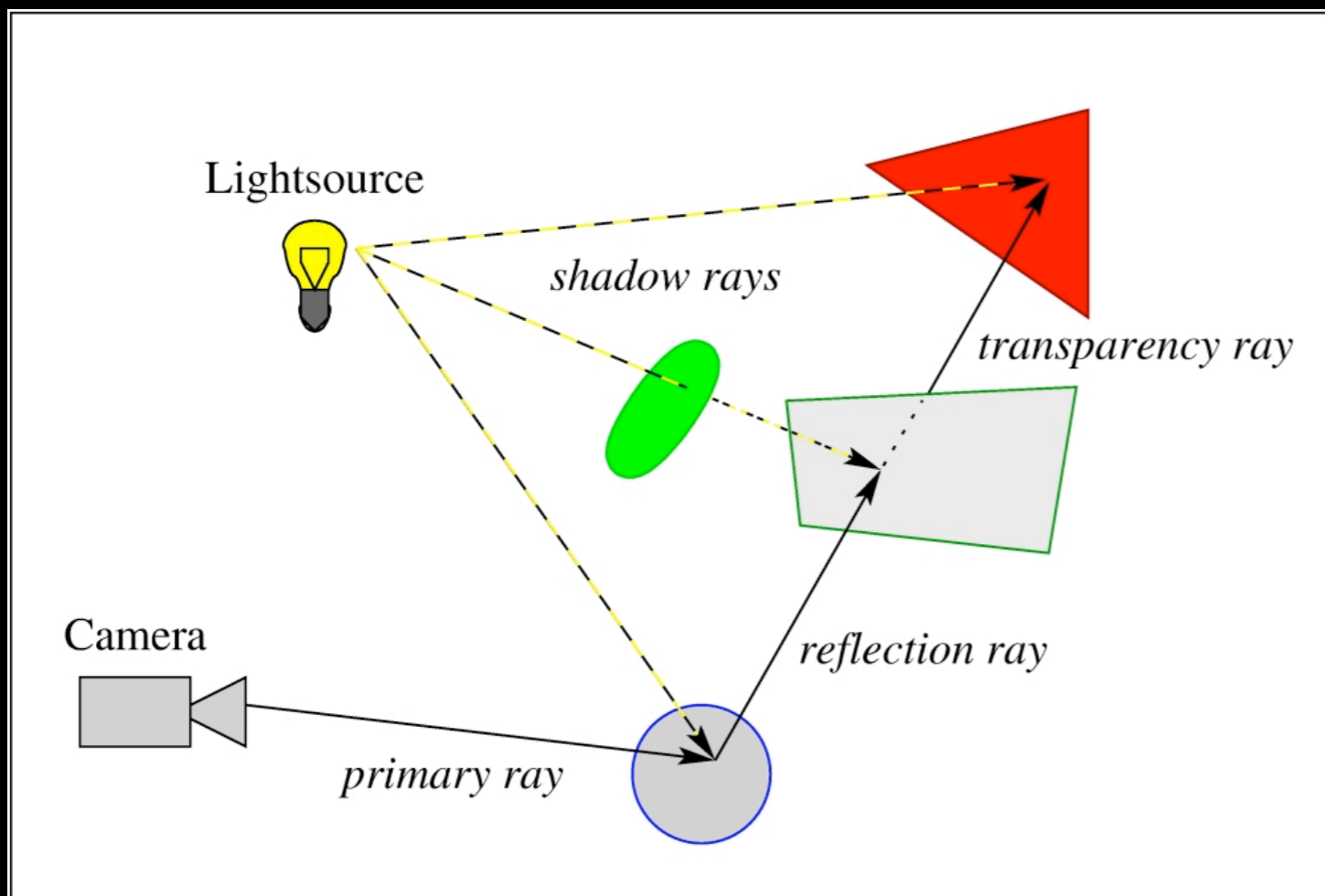
# What is Ray Tracing?





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# What is Ray Tracing?



- Global effects
- Parallel (as nature)
- Fully automatic
- Demand driven
- Per pixel operations
- Highly efficient

➔ Fundamental Technology for Next Generation Graphics



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# Comparison Rasterization vs. Ray Tracing

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- **Definition: Rasterization**  
Given a set of rays and a primitive, efficiently compute the subset of rays hitting the primitive
- **Definition: Ray Tracing**  
Given a ray and set of primitives, efficiently compute the subset of primitives hit by the ray



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# Comparison Rasterization vs. Ray Tracing

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- Hardware Support
    - Rasterization has mature & quickly evolving HW
      - High-performance, highly parallel, stream computing engine
    - Ray tracing mostly implemented in SW
      - Requires flexible control flow, recursion & stacks, flexible i/o, ...
      - Requires virtual memory and demand loading due scene size
      - Requires loops in the HW pipeline (e.g. generating new rays)
      - Depend heavily on caching and suitable working sets
- Not well supported by current HW

# Reasons for Using Ray Tracing

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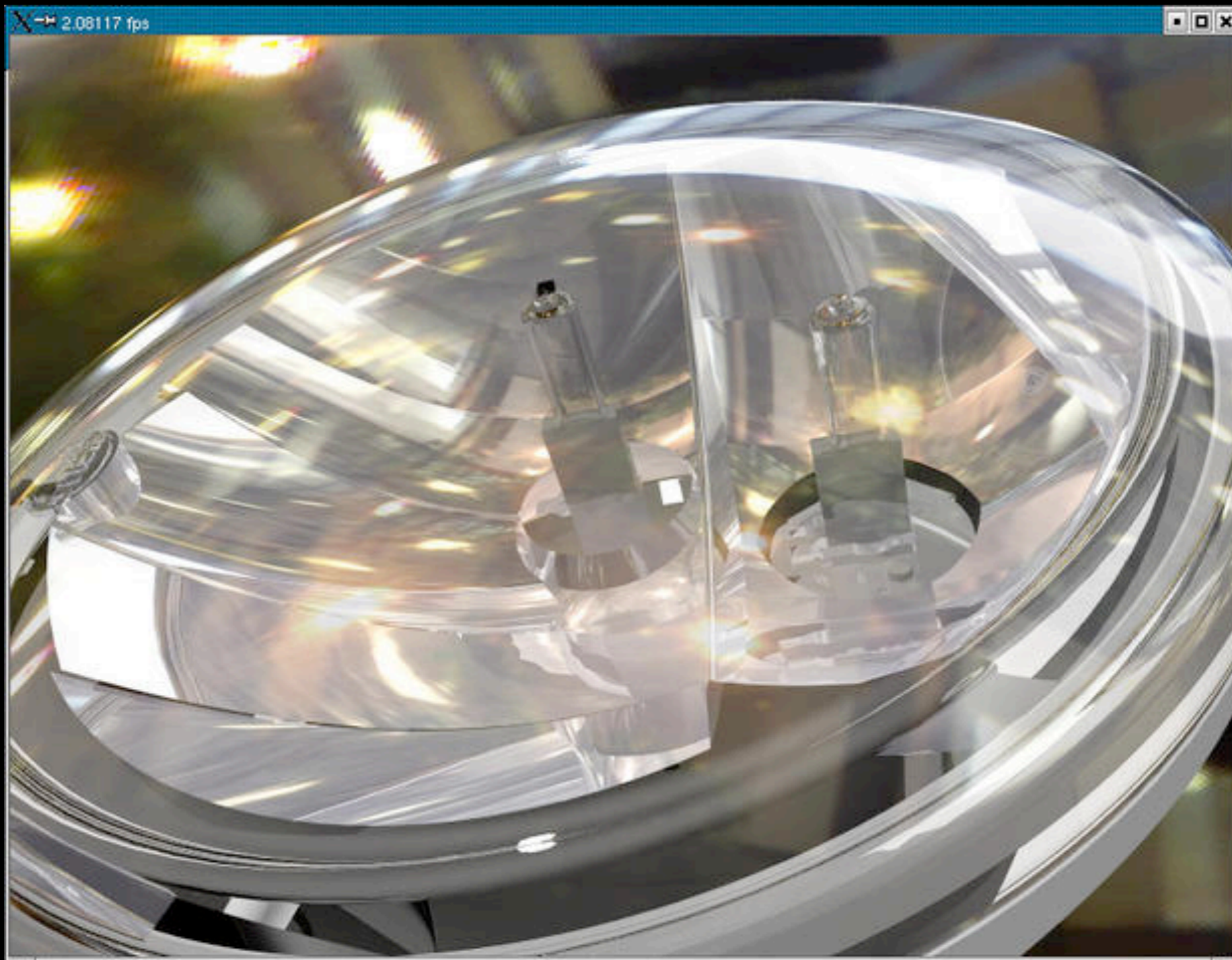
- Physical Correctness and Dependability
  - Numerous approximations caused by rasterization
  - Might be good enough for games (but maybe not?)
  - Industry needs dependable visual results
- Benefits
  - Users develop trust in the visual results
  - Important decisions can be based on virtual models



# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Physical Correctness



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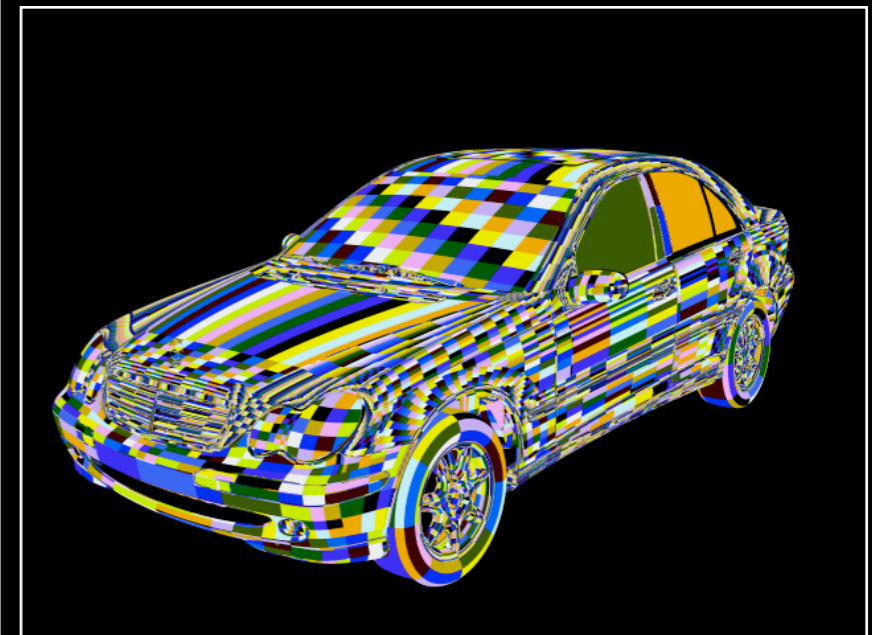
Fully ray traced car head lamp, faithful visualization requires up to 50 rays per pixel



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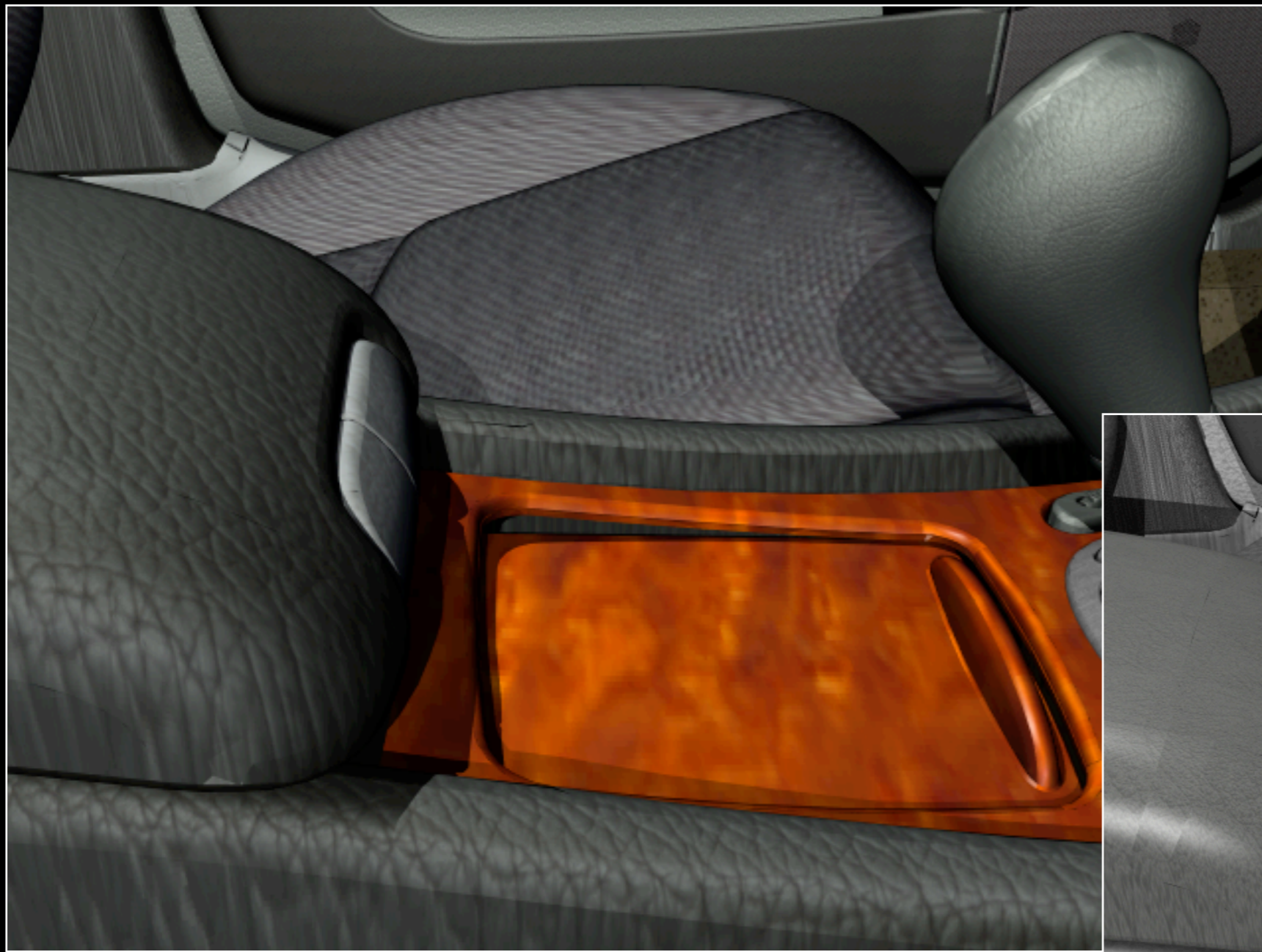
Rendered directly from trimmed NURBS surfaces, with smooth environment lighting



# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Physical Correctness



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Textured Phong for  
comparison



Rendered with accurately measured BTF data  
that accounts for micro lighting effects

BTF Data Courtesy R. Klein, Uni Bonn



# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Physical Correctness



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VR scene illuminated from realtime video feed, AR with realtime environment lighting



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# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Massive Models

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- Massive Scenes
  - Scales logarithmically with scene size
  - Supports billions of triangles
- Benefits
  - Can render entire CAD models without simplification
  - Greatly simplifies and speeds up many tasks

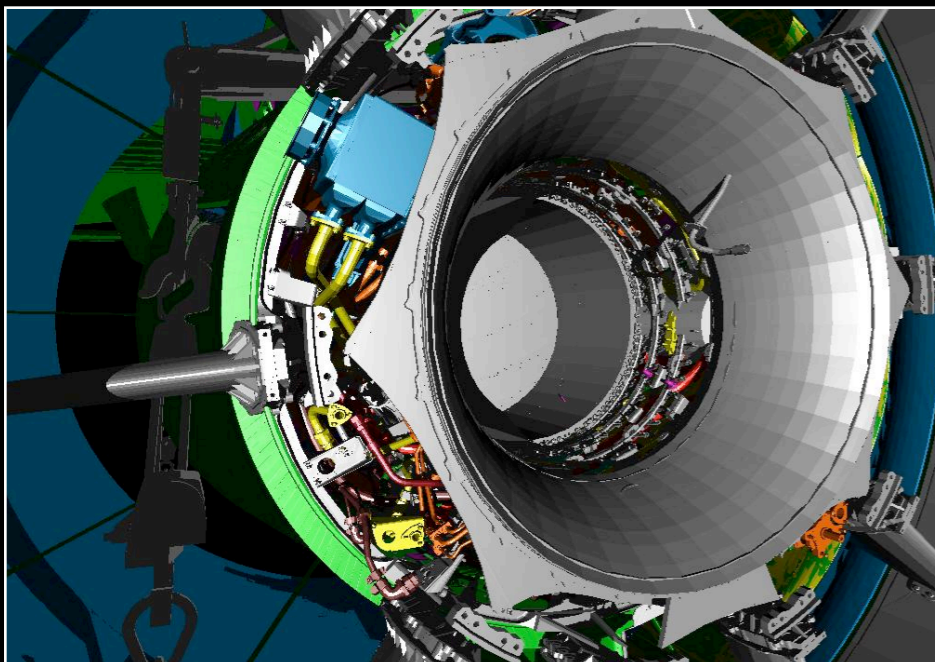
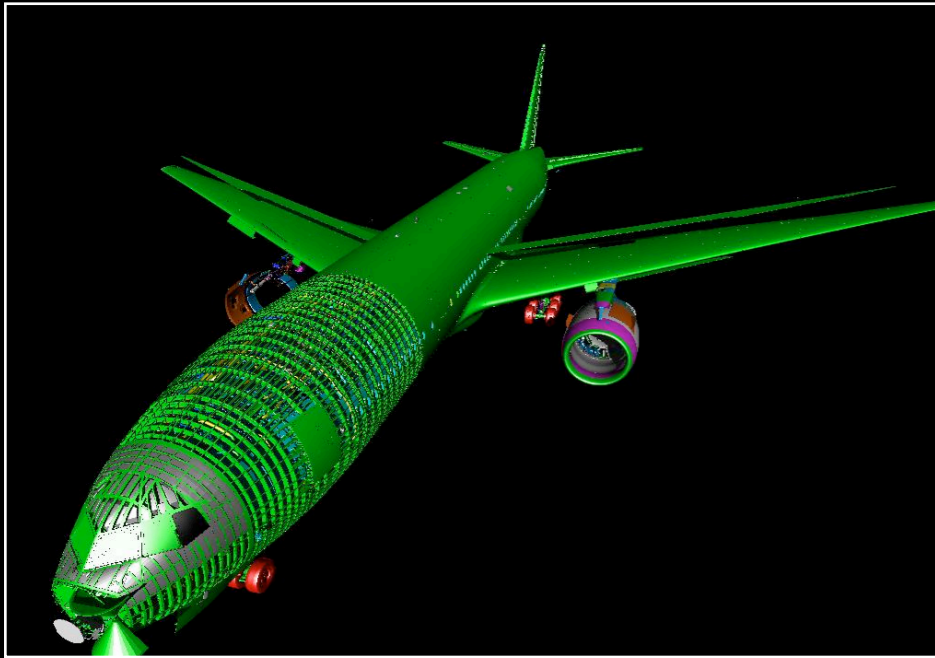


# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Massive Models

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# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Flexible Primitive Types

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- Flexible Primitive Types
  - Triangles
  - Volumes data sets
    - Iso-surfaces & direct visualization
    - Regular, rectilinear, curvilinear, unstructured, ...
  - Splines and subdivision surfaces
  - Points

# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Flexible Primitive Types



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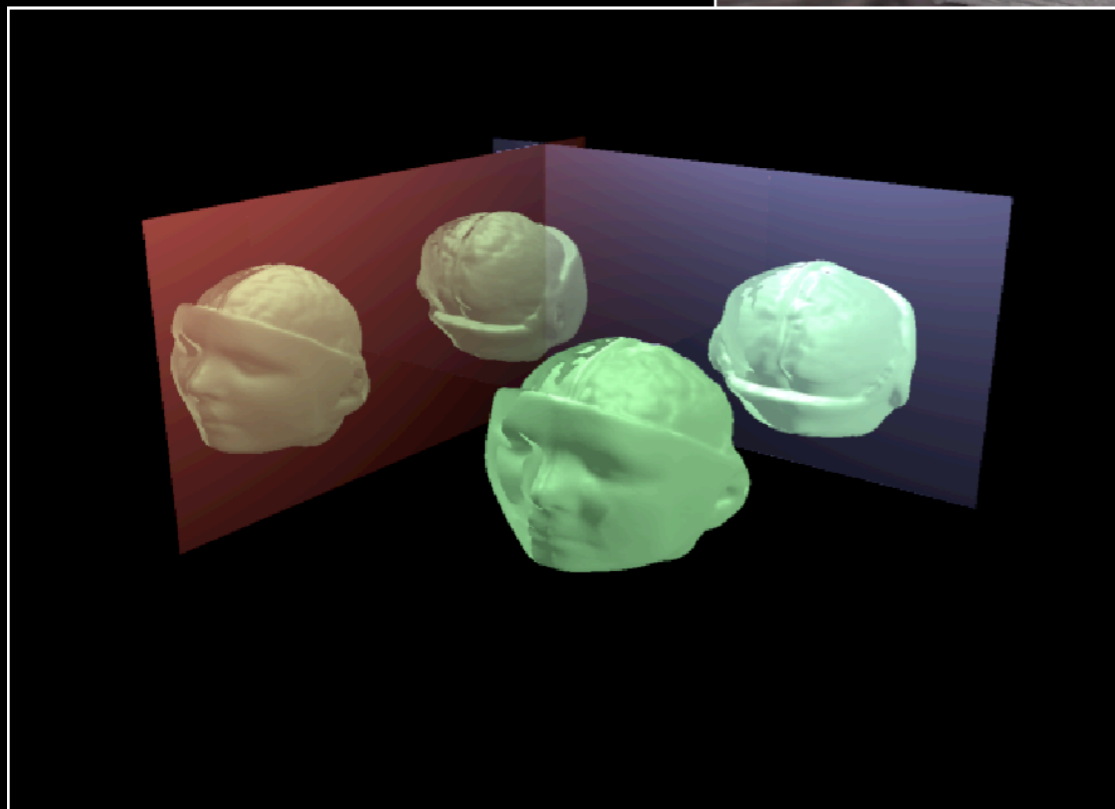
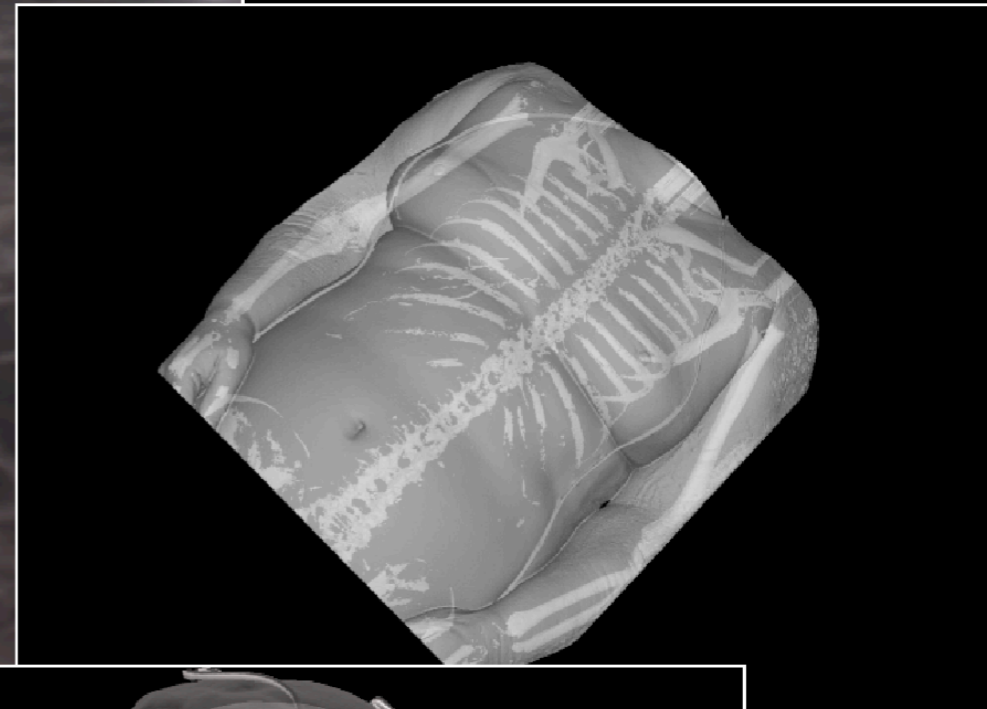
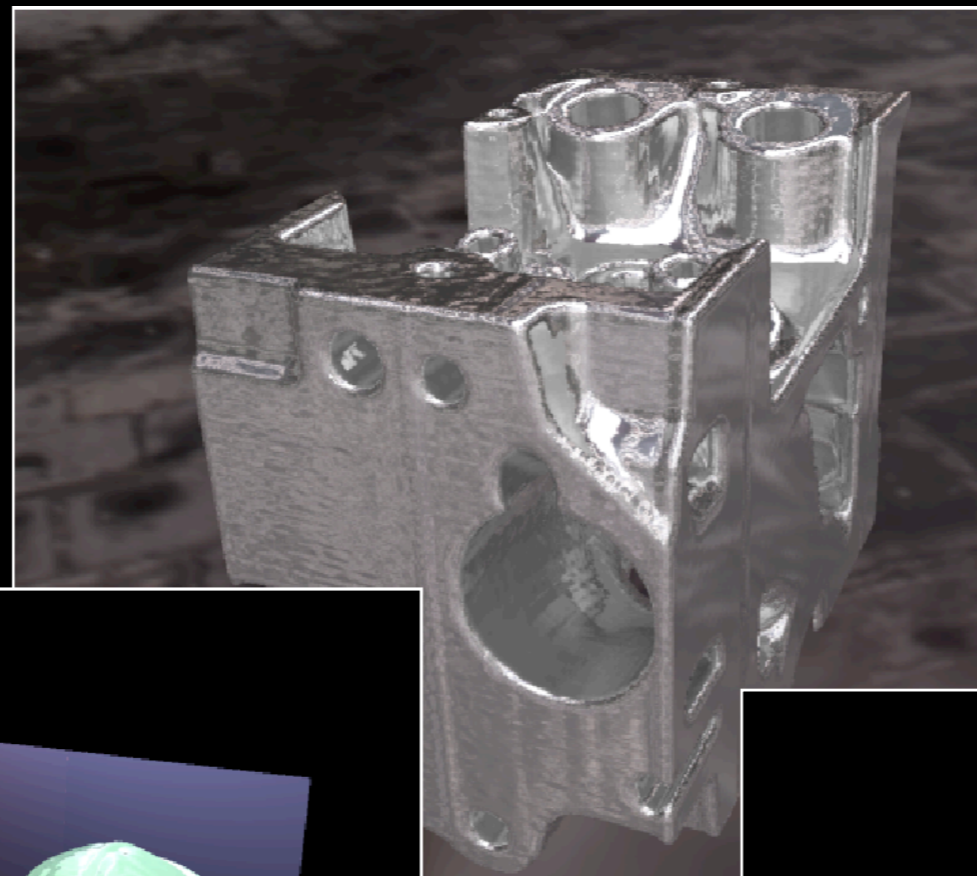
Triangles, Bezier splines, and subdivision surfaces fully integrated



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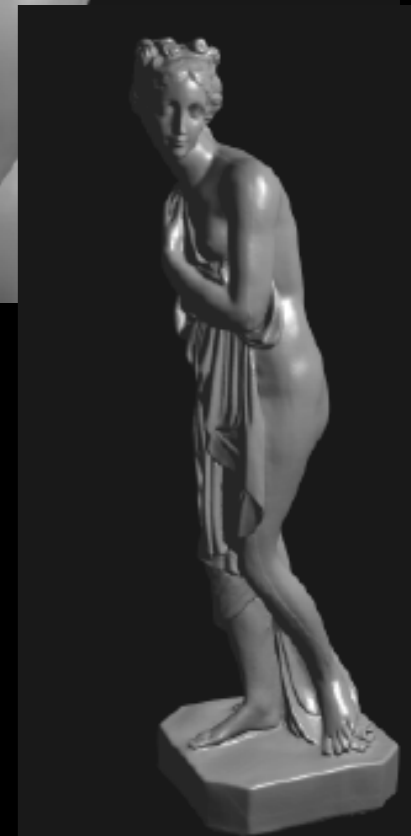
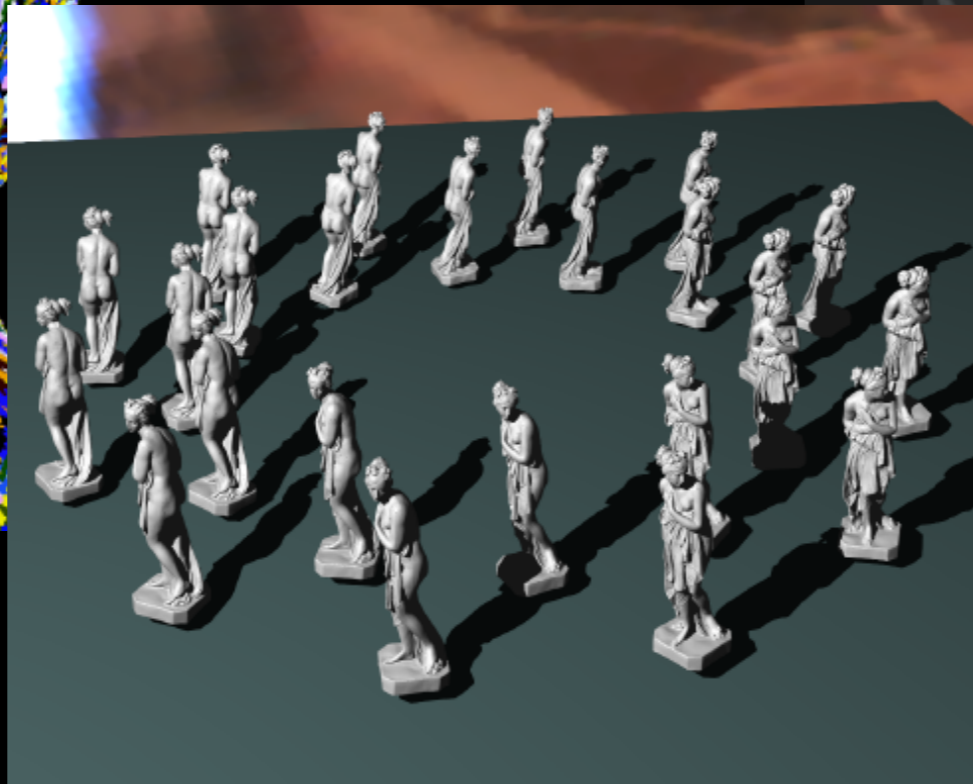
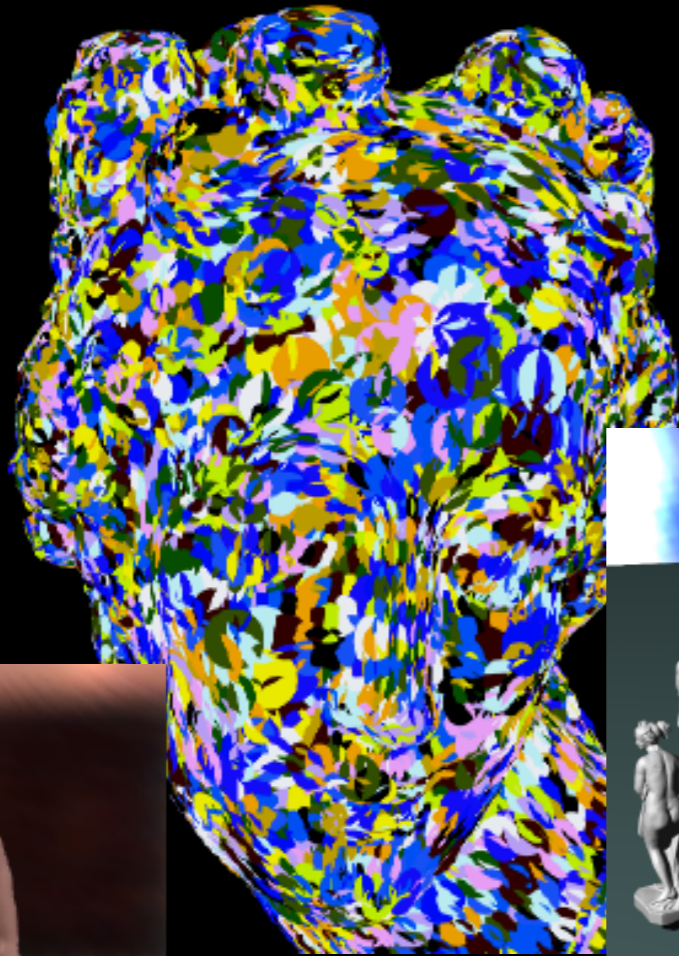
Volume visualization using multiple iso-surfaces in combination with surface rendering



# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Flexible Primitive Types



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24 MPoints, 2.1 fps with shadow @ 640x480

Realtime ray tracing of point clouds (1 Mpoints each)  
On *one* dual-Opteron 2.4 GHz: 4-9 fps



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# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Declarative Graphics

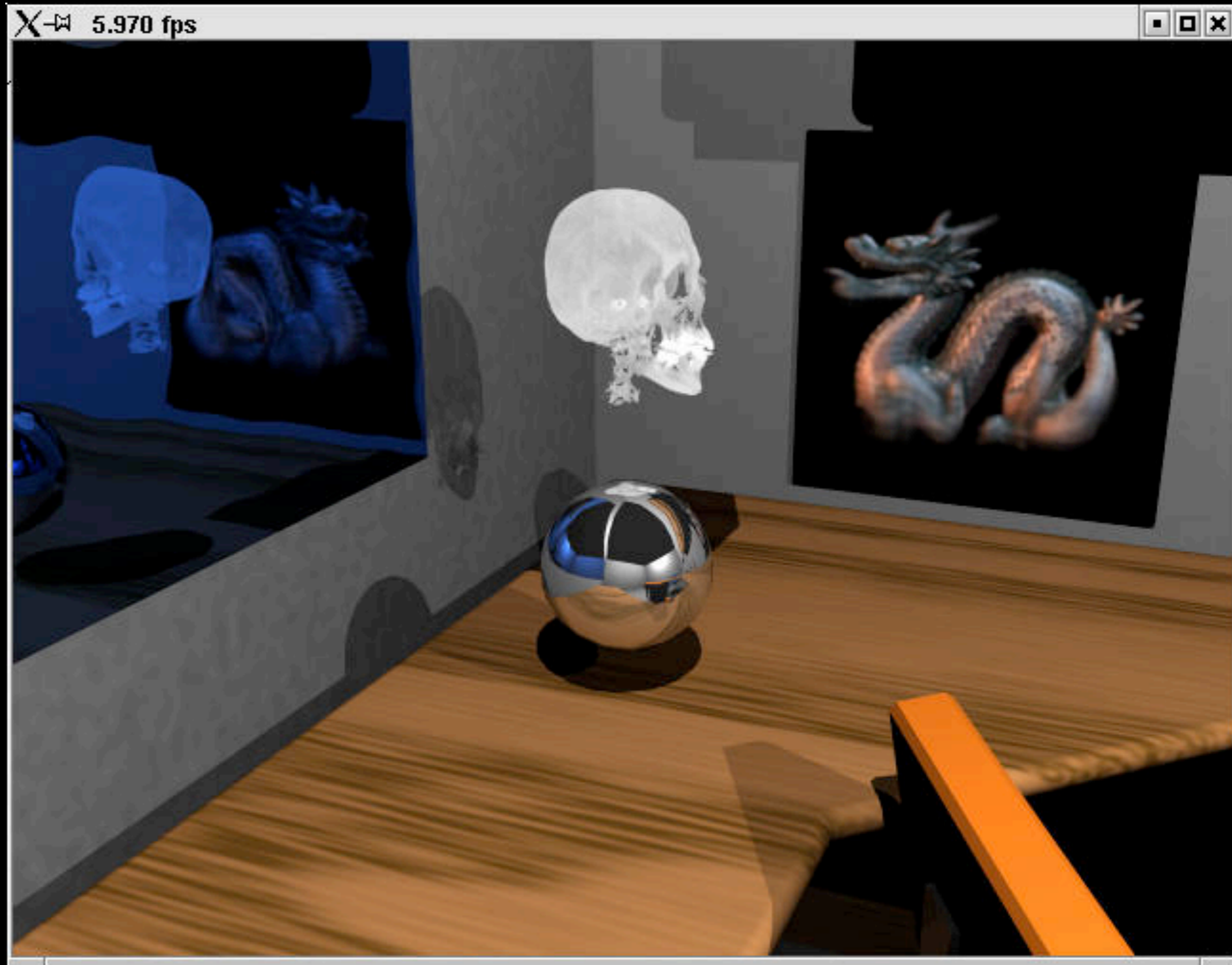
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- Declarative Graphics Interface
  - Application specifies scene once, plus updates
  - Rendering fully performed by renderer (e.g. in HW)
  - Similar to scene graphs, PostScript, or latest GUIs
- Benefits
  - Greatly simplifies application programming
  - Allows for complete HW acceleration

# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Declarative Graphics



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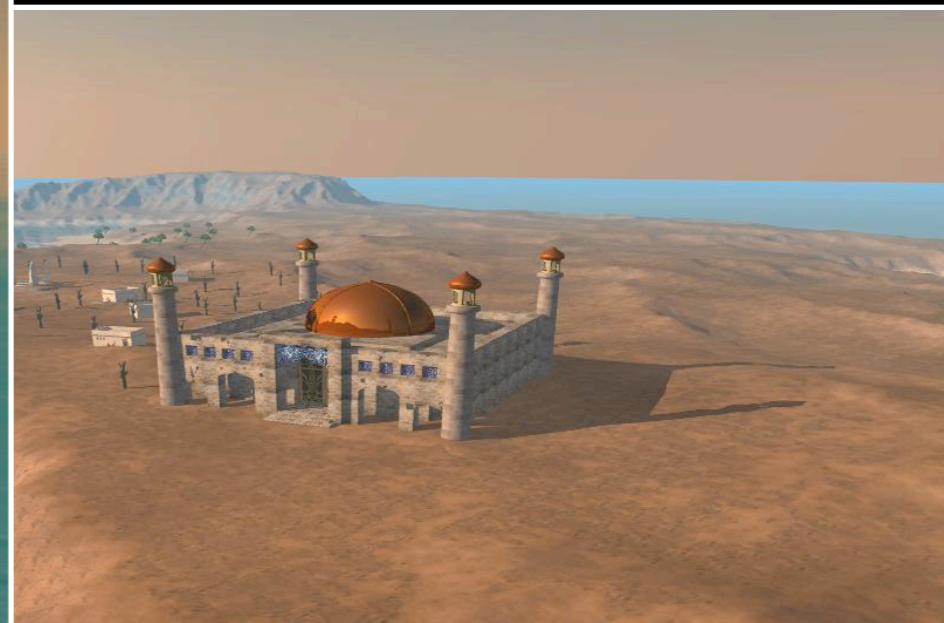




# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Declarative Graphics



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# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Global Illumination

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- Global Illumination
  - Simulating global lighting through tracing rays
  - Indirect diffuse and caustic illumination
  - Fully recomputed at up to 20 fps
- Benefits
  - Add the subtle but highly important clue for realism
  - Allows flexible light planning and control



# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Global Illumination



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Conference room (380 000 tris, 104 lights) with full global illumination in realtime

# Reasons for Ray Tracing: Global Illumination

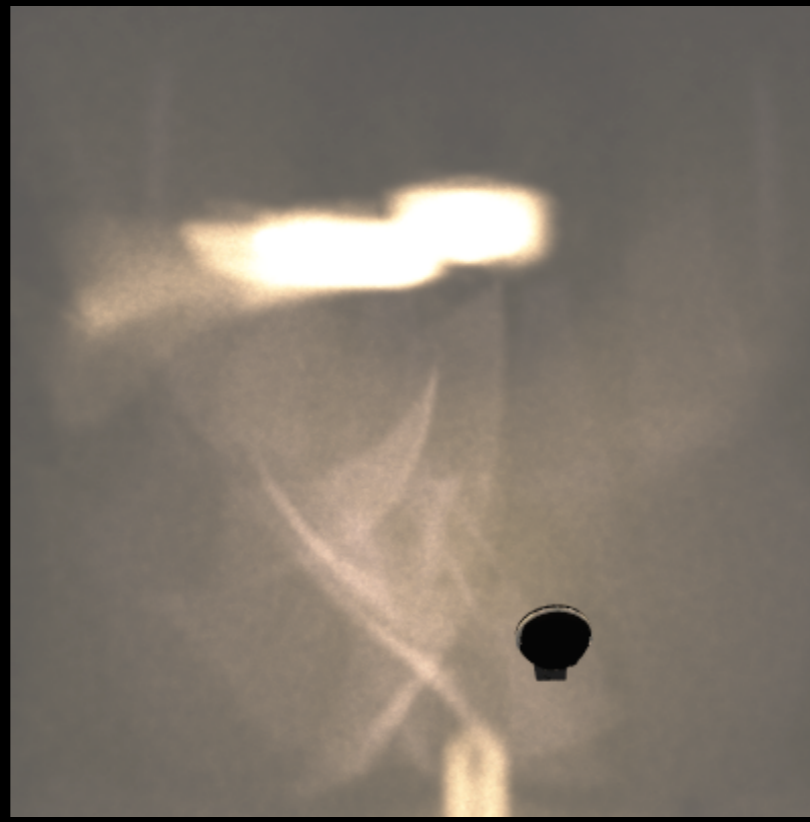
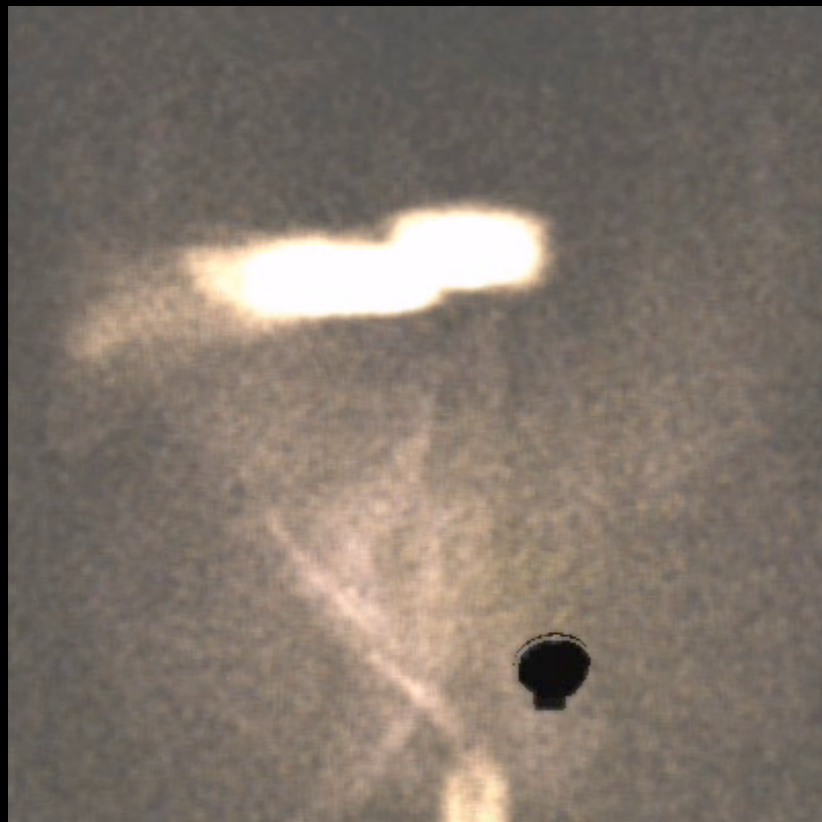
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250k / 3 fps

25M / 11 fps

Photograph



Light pattern from a car head lamp computed in realtime using photon mapping:  
Left: realtime update, middle: accumulated in 30s, right: photograph of real pattern

# 3D Vectors



# Computer Graphics

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CSE167: Computer Graphics

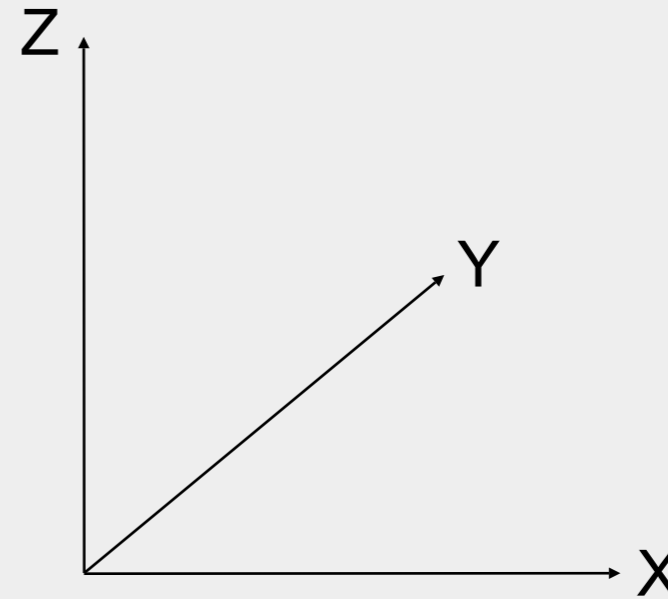
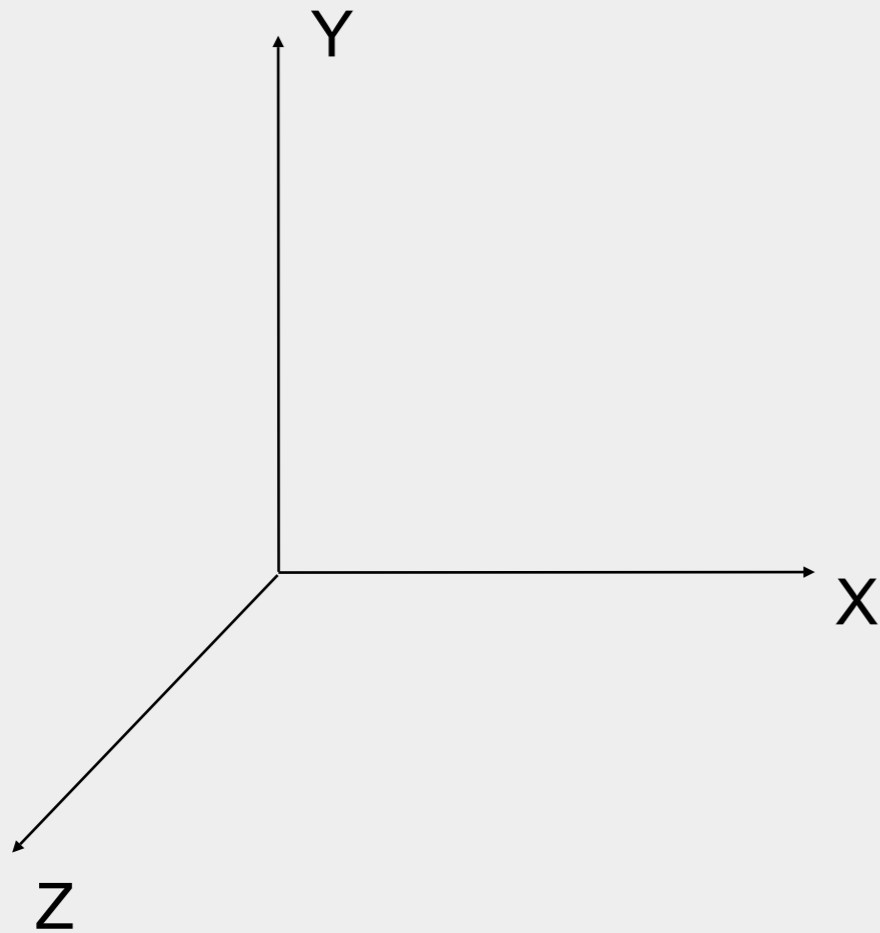
Instructor: Ronen Barzel

UCSD, Winter 2006

# Coordinate Systems

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- Right handed coordinate systems



- (more on coordinate systems next class)

# Vector Arithmetic

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$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \\ a_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_x \\ b_y \\ b_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_x + b_x \\ a_y + b_y \\ a_z + b_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_x - b_x \\ a_y - b_y \\ a_z - b_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} -a_x \\ -a_y \\ -a_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$s\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} sa_x \\ sa_y \\ sa_z \end{bmatrix}$$

# Vector Magnitude

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- The magnitude (length) of a vector is:

$$|\mathbf{v}|^2 = v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2$$

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2}$$

- A vector with length=1.0 is called a *unit vector*
- We can also *normalize* a vector to make it a unit vector:

$$\frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|}$$

# Dot Product

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$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \sum a_i b_i$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = a_x b_x + a_y b_y + a_z b_z$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = |\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}| \cos \theta$$

# Dot Product

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$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \sum a_i b_i$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = a_x b_x + a_y b_y + a_z b_z$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_x & a_y & a_z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_x \\ b_y \\ b_z \end{bmatrix}$$

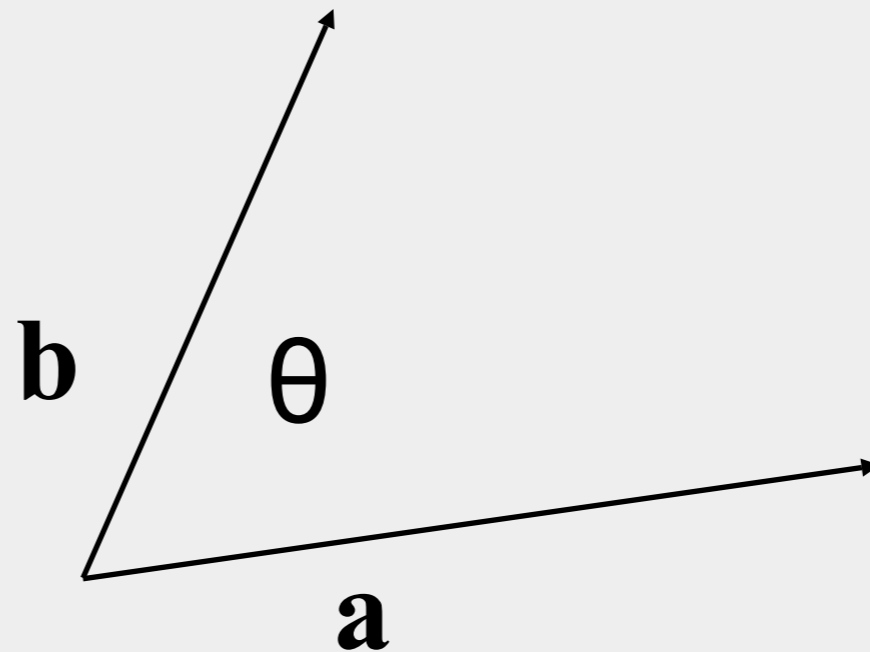
$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = |\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}| \cos \theta$$

# Example: Angle Between Vectors

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- How do you find the angle  $\theta$  between vectors **a** and **b**?





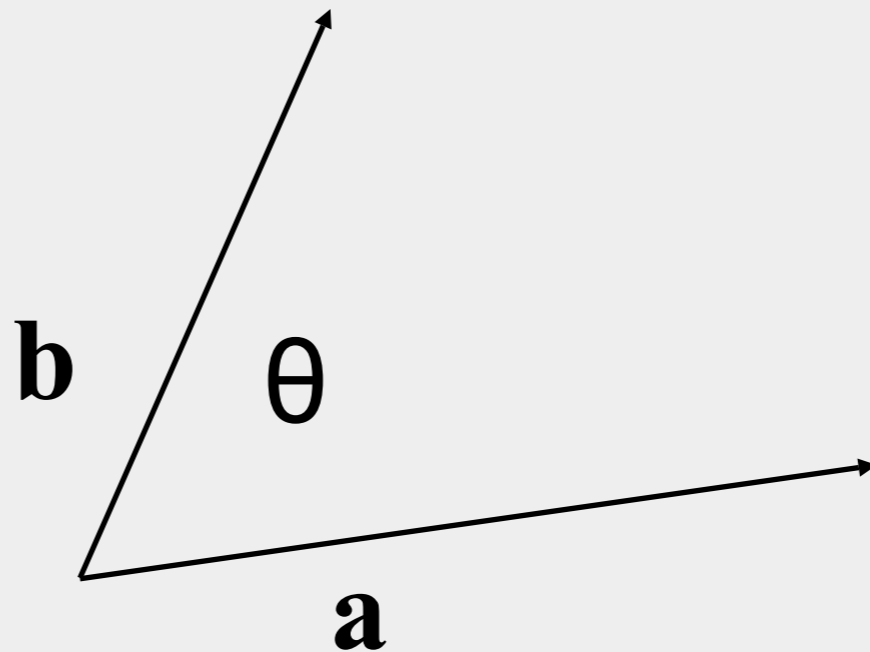
# Example: Angle Between Vectors

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$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = |\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}| \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \left( \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}|} \right)$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}|} \right)$$



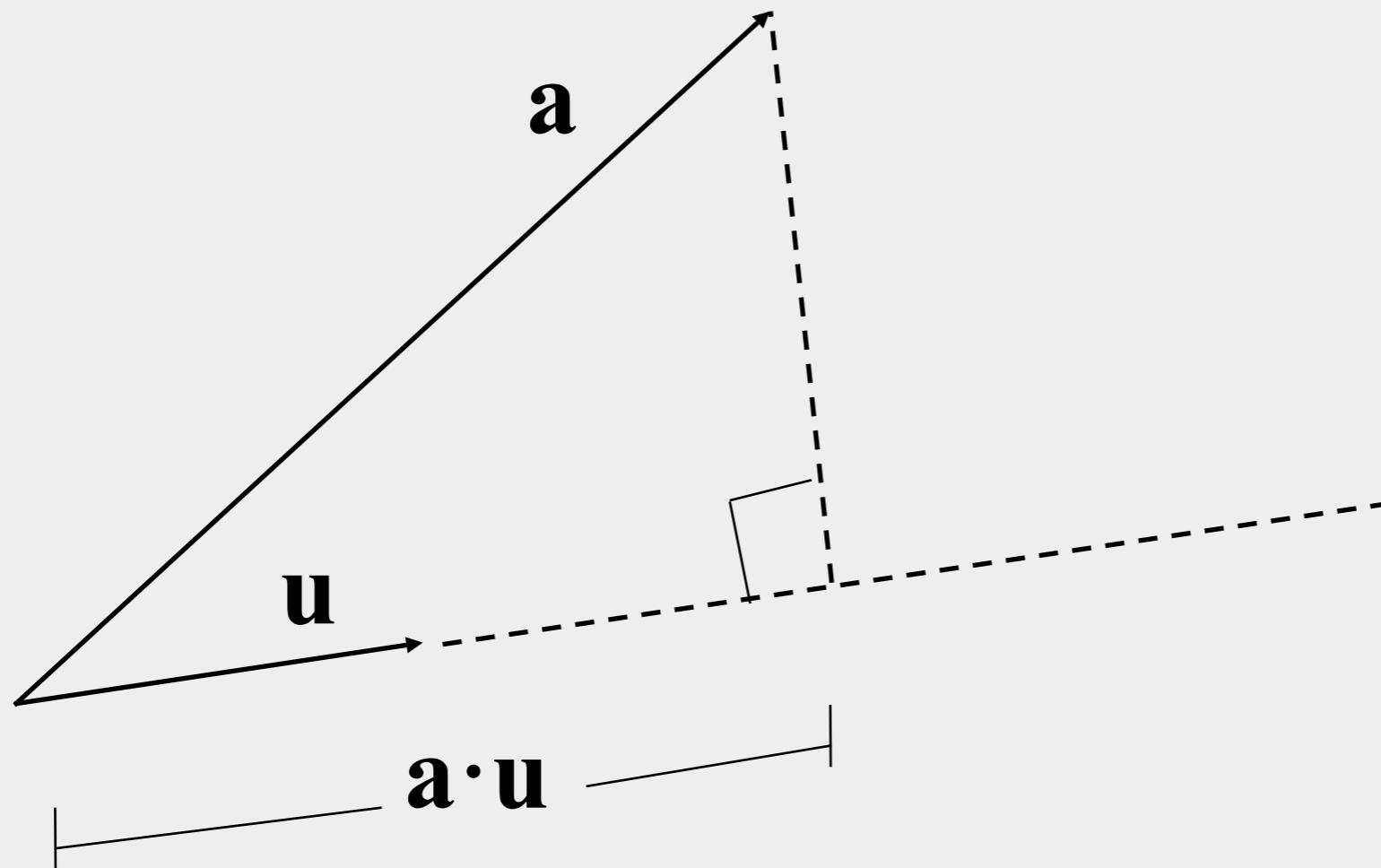
# Dot Product Properties

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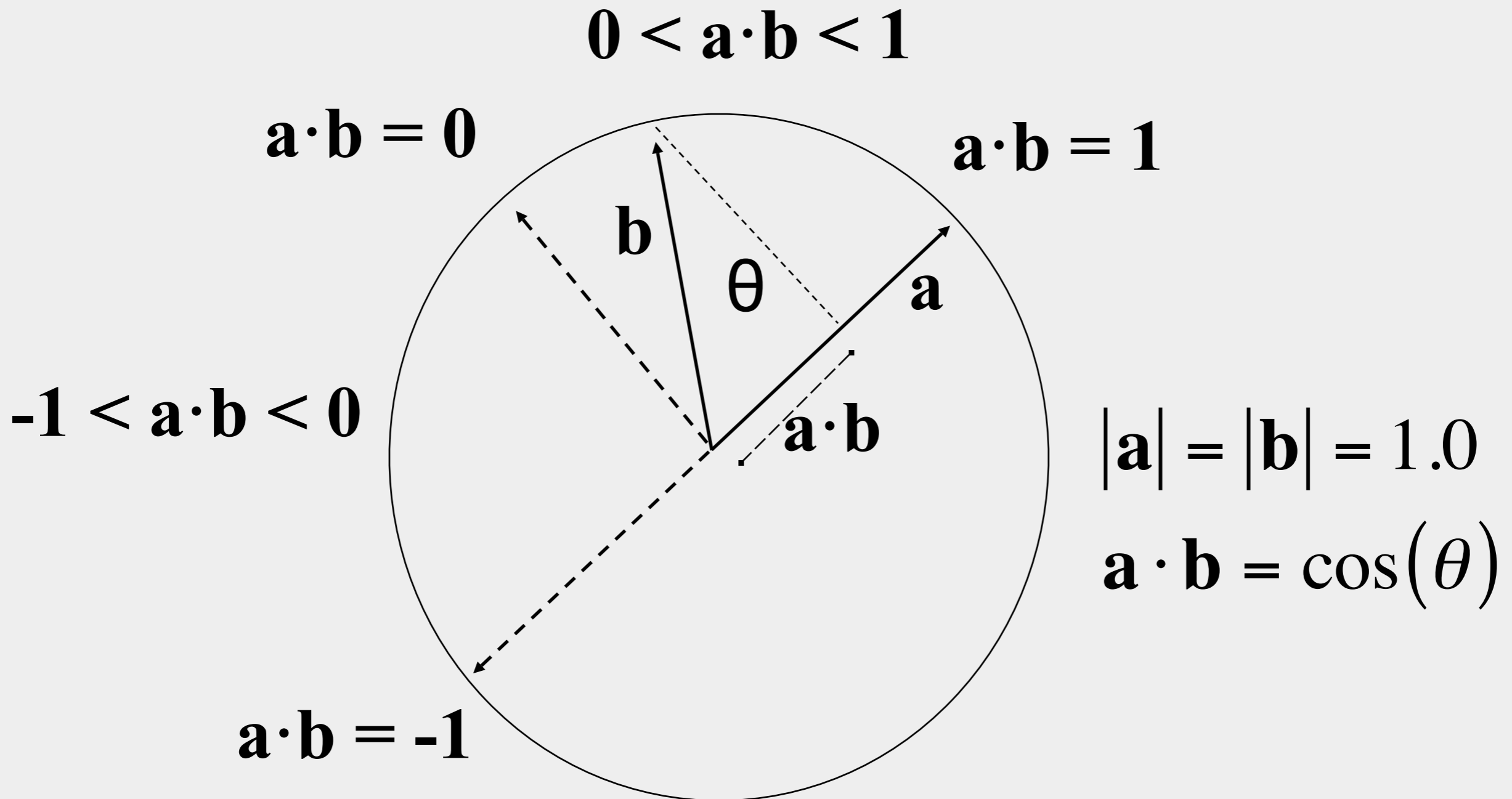
- The dot product is a scalar value that tells us something about the relationship between two vectors
  - If  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} > 0$  then  $\theta < 90^\circ$ 
    - Vectors point in the same general direction
  - If  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} < 0$  then  $\theta > 90^\circ$ 
    - Vectors point in opposite direction
  - If  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$  then  $\theta = 90^\circ$ 
    - Vectors are perpendicular
    - (or one or both of the vectors is degenerate  $(0,0,0)$ )

# Dot Products with One Unit Vector

- If  $|\mathbf{u}|=1.0$  then  $\mathbf{a}\cdot\mathbf{u}$  is the length of the *projection* of  $\mathbf{a}$  onto  $\mathbf{u}$



# Dot Products with Unit Vectors



# Cross Product

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$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ a_x & a_y & a_z \\ b_x & b_y & b_z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \left[ a_y b_z - a_z b_y \quad a_z b_x - a_x b_z \quad a_x b_y - a_y b_x \right]$$

# Properties of the Cross Product

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$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$  is a *vector* perpendicular to both  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ , in the direction defined by the right hand rule

$$|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| = |\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}|\sin\theta$$

$$|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| = \text{area of parallelogram } \mathbf{ab}$$

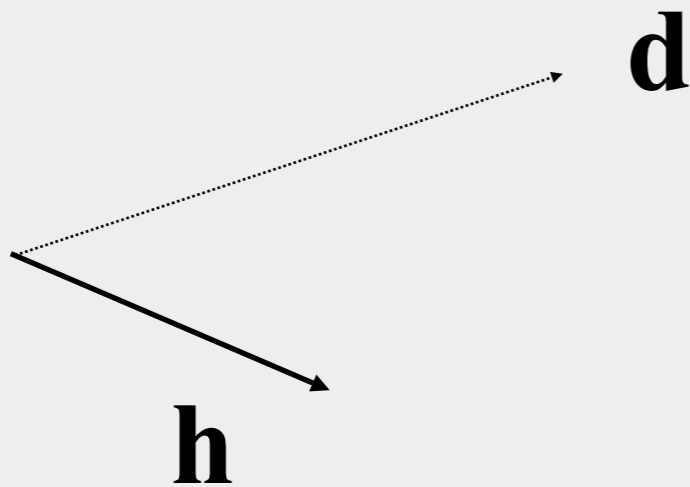
$$|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| = 0 \text{ if } \mathbf{a} \text{ and } \mathbf{b} \text{ are parallel} \\ \text{(or one or both degenerate)}$$



# Example: Align two vectors

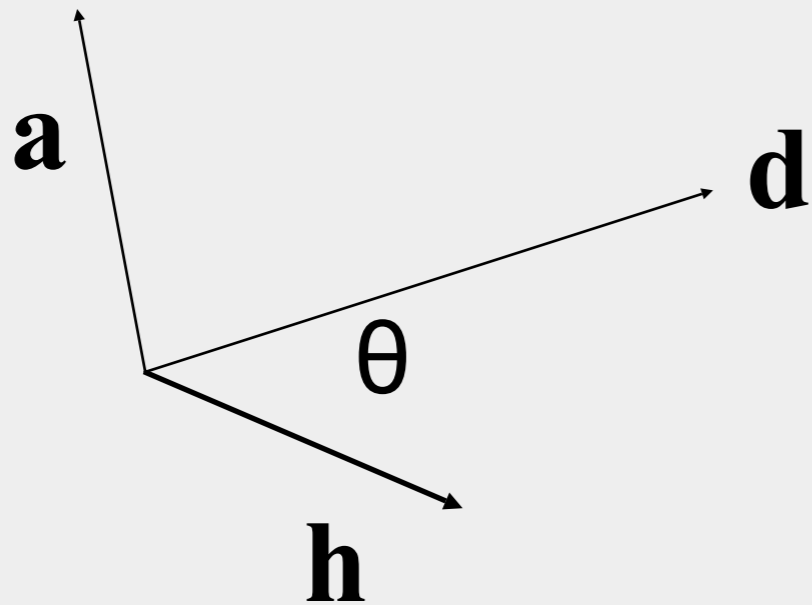
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- We are heading in direction  $\mathbf{h}$ . We want to rotate so that we will align with a different direction  $\mathbf{d}$ . Find a unit axis  $\mathbf{a}$  and an angle  $\theta$  to rotate around.



# Example: Align two vectors

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$$\mathbf{a} = \frac{\mathbf{h} \times \mathbf{d}}{|\mathbf{h} \times \mathbf{d}|}$$

$$\theta = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{|\mathbf{h} \times \mathbf{d}|}{|\mathbf{h}| |\mathbf{d}|} \right)$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{d}}{|\mathbf{h}| |\mathbf{d}|} \right)$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{|\mathbf{h} \times \mathbf{d}|}{\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{d}} \right)$$

$$\theta = \text{atan2}(|\mathbf{h} \times \mathbf{d}|, \mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{d})$$

# Float3 Structure

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```
struct Float3
{
    union
    {
        float d[3];
        struct { float x, y, z; };
        struct { float r, g, b; };
        struct { float s, t, u; };
        struct { float alpha, beta, gamma; };
    };
    :
    :
    :
}
```

# Float3 Structure

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```
struct Float3
{
    :
    :
    Float3();
    Float3(float c);
    Float3(int i);
    Float3(double x);
    Float3(float x, float y, float z);

    const float &operator[](int i) const
        { return d[i]; }
    float &operator[](int i)
        { return d[i]; }
    :
    :
}
```

# Float3 Structure

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```
struct Float3
{
    :
    :
    Float3 &operator += (const Float3 &x)
        { FOR(i,3) d[i] += x[i]; return *this; }
    Float3 &operator -= (const Float3 &x)
        { FOR(i,3) d[i] -= x[i]; return *this; }
    Float3 &operator *= (const Float3 &x)
        { FOR(i,3) d[i] *= x[i]; return *this; }
    Float3 &operator *= (const float &x)
        { FOR(i,3) d[i] *= x; return *this; }
    Float3 &operator /= (const Float3 &x)
        { FOR(i,3) d[i] /= x[i]; return *this; }
    Float3 &operator /= (const float &x)
        { FOR(i,3) d[i] /= x; return *this; }
    :
    :
}
```



# Float3 Structure

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```
struct Float3
{
    :
    :
    Float3 operator + (const Float3 &x) const
        { return Float3(d[0] + x[0], d[1] + x[1], d[2] + x[2]); }
    Float3 operator - () const
        { return Float3(-d[0], -d[1], -d[2]); }
    Float3 operator - (const Float3 &x) const
        { return Float3(d[0] - x[0], d[1] - x[1], d[2] - x[2]); }
    Float3 operator * (const Float3 &x) const
        { return Float3(d[0] * x[0], d[1] * x[1], d[2] * x[2]); }
    Float3 operator * (float x) const
        { return Float3(d[0]*x, d[1]*x, d[2]*x); }
    Float3 operator / (const Float3 &x) const
        { return Float3(d[0] / x[0], d[1] / x[1], d[2] / x[2]); }
    Float3 operator / (float x) const {
        float inv = 1.0f / x;
        return Float3(d[0] * inv, d[1] * inv, d[2] * inv);
    }
    :
    :
}
```

# Float3 Structure

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```
struct Float3
{
    :
    :
    float length_squared() const
    {
        return d[0]*d[0] + d[1]*d[1] + d[2]*d[2];
    }

    float length() const
    {
        return sqrtf(length_squared());
    }
    :
    :
}
```

# Float3 Structure

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```
inline Float3 normalize(const Float3 &v)
{
    return v / v.length();
}

inline Float3 operator*(float f, const Float3 &v)
{
    return v*f;
}

inline float dot(const Float3 &v1, const Float3 &v2)
{
    return v1.x * v2.x + v1.y * v2.y + v1.z * v2.z;
}

inline Float3 cross(const Float3 &v1, const Float3 &v2)
{
    return Float3((v1.y * v2.z) - (v1.z * v2.y),
                  (v1.z * v2.x) - (v1.x * v2.z),
                  (v1.x * v2.y) - (v1.y * v2.x));
}
```

# Elementary Ray Tracer

# Projection

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- Models are 3D, but images are 2D.
- The process of converting 3D to 2D is called **projection**.
- Typically, computer graphics apps use two kinds of projections.
  - Orthographic Projection
  - Perspective Projection
- We will use *orthographic projection* here.



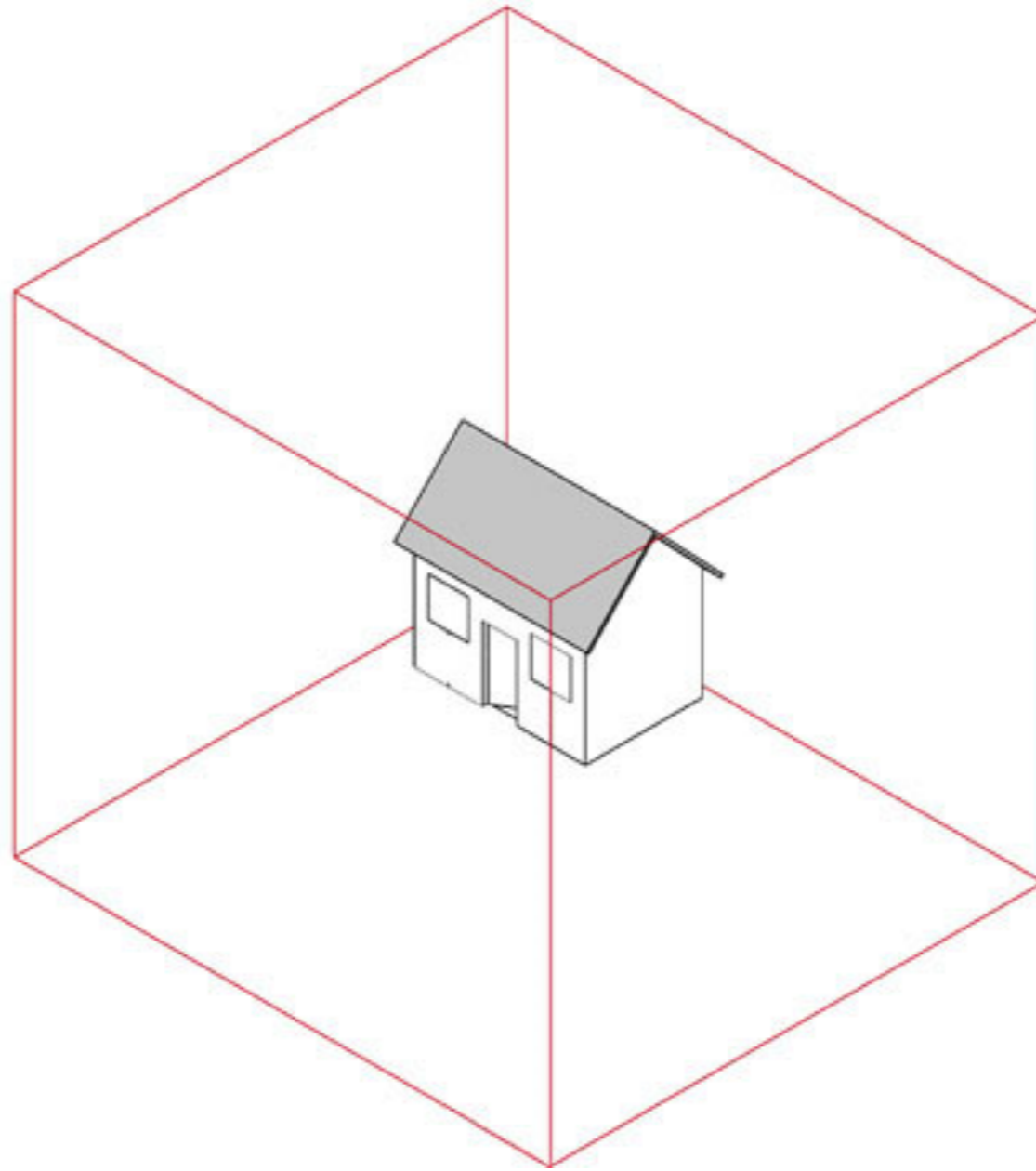
# Orthographic Projection

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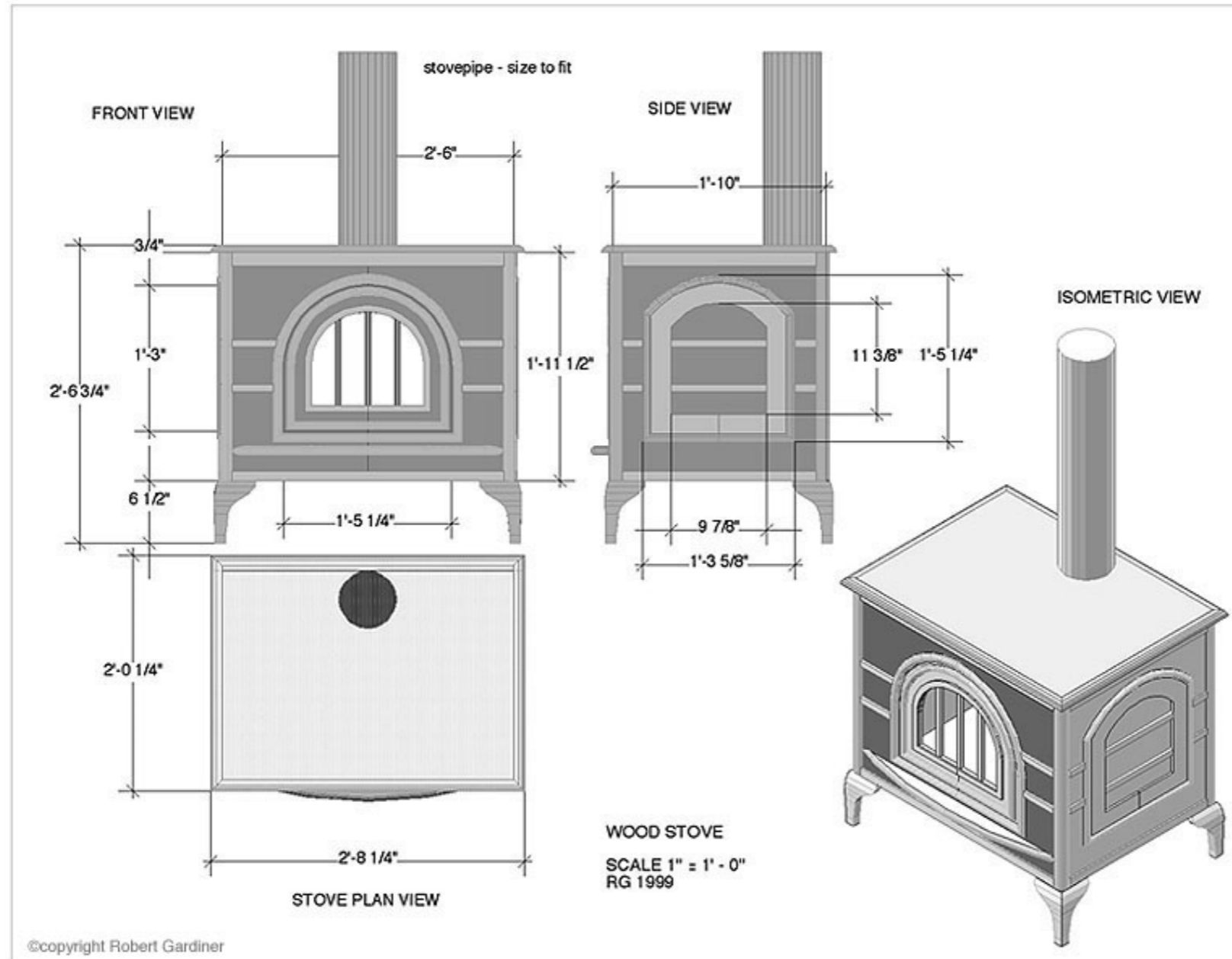
- Pixels are on an **image plane**.
- Rays are *perpendicular* to the plane.
- Lacks **foreshortening** --- further objects do not get smaller.
- Used in design/architectural drawings, where precision is important.
- Human eyes do not see this way.

# Orthographic Projection

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# Orthographic Projection



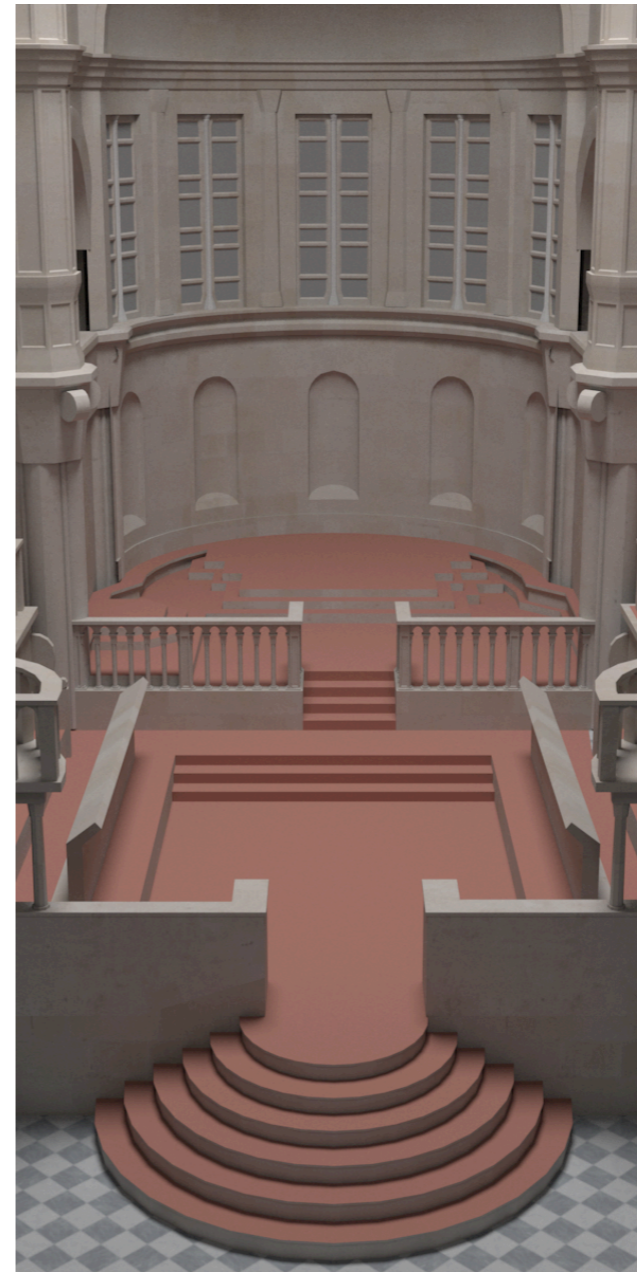
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# Orthographic vs Perspective

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orthographic



perspective

# Defining Orthographic Projection

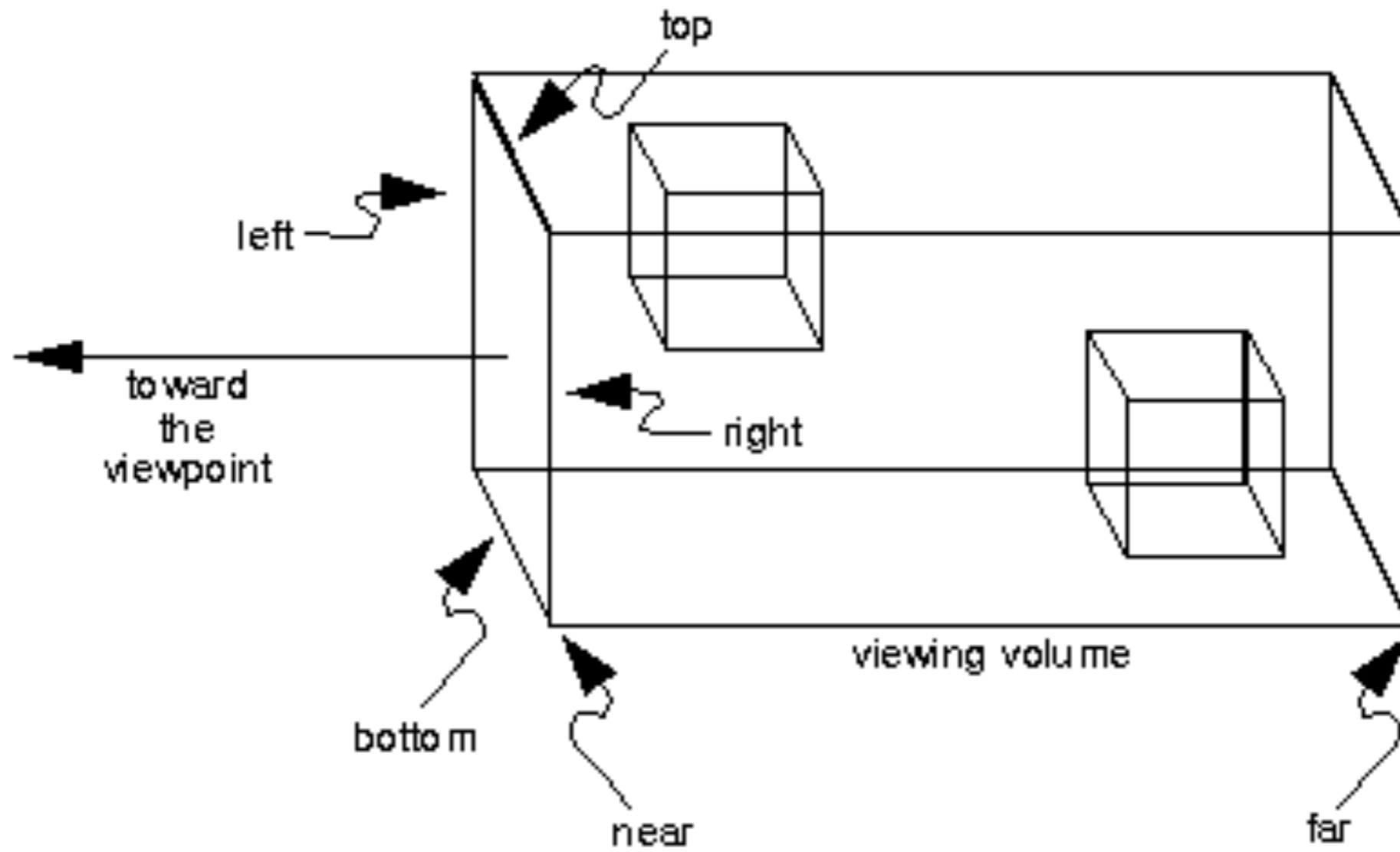
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- We need six parameters
  - **left, right:** bounds in x-axis
  - **top, bottom:** bounds in y-axis
  - **hither (near), yon (far):** bounds in z-axis
- This define a *prism* inside which are the things we see.



# Orthographic Prism

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# Ray

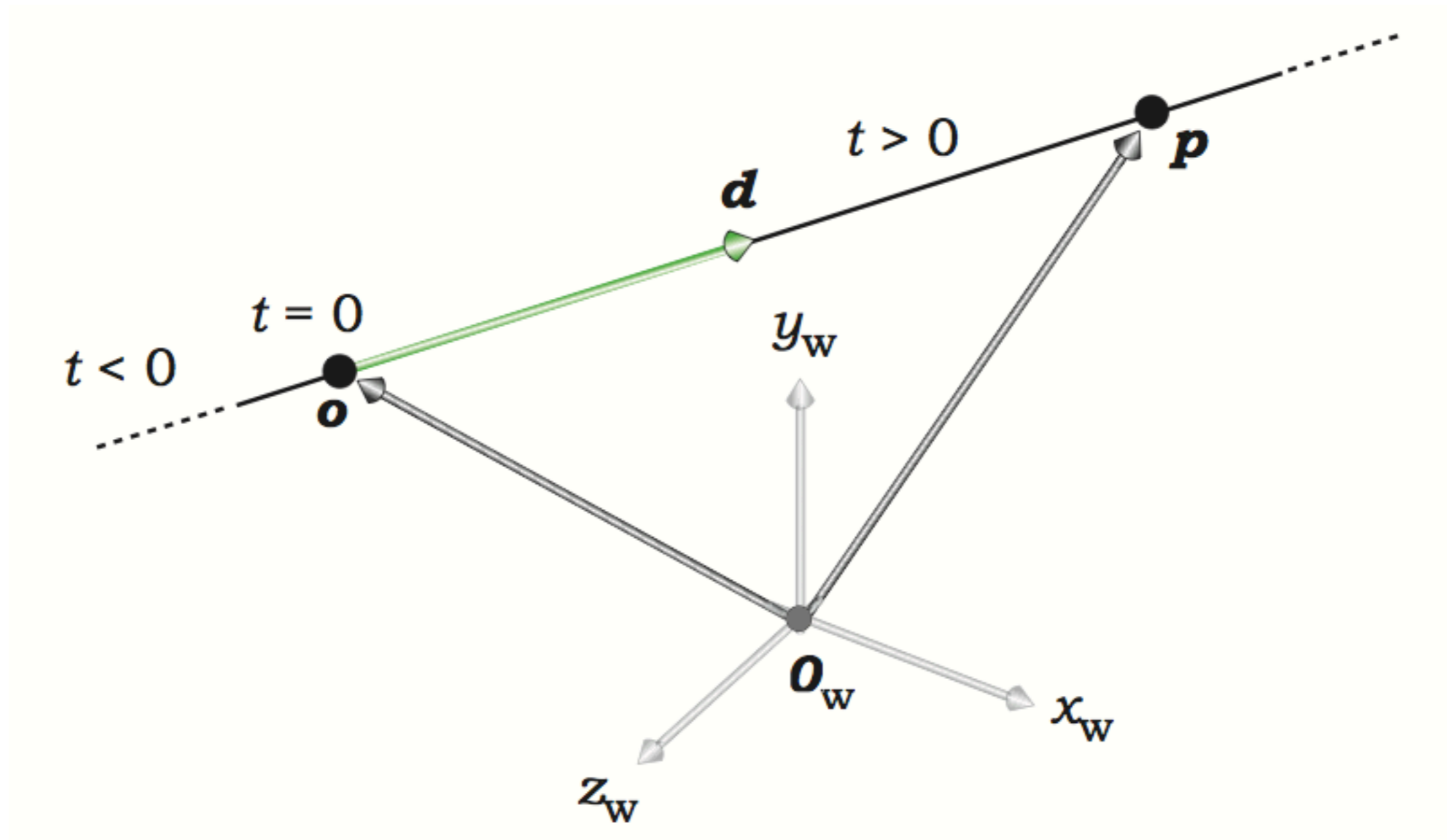
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- Basically, it's a *half line*.
  - Begins at a point called the **origin**.
  - Extends towards infinity in a given **direction**.
    - For simplicity, direction should always be a *unit vector*.
- Let the origin be denoted by **o** and let the direction be denoted by **d**.
- Then, a ray is a set of the following points:

$$\{\mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d} : t \in [0, \infty]\}$$

# Ray

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# Ray

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```
struct Ray
{
    Float3 origin;
    Float3 direction;
    float tmin;
    float tmax;

    Ray(const Float3 &_origin = Float3(0,0,0),
        const Float3 &_direction = Float3(0,0,1),
        float _tmin = 0,
        float _tmax = INFINITY);
    ~Ray();

    inline Float3 operator() (float t) const
    {
        return origin + direction * t;
    }
};
```

# Ray

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- $t_{\min}$ 
  - The time the ray starts
  - Typically 0 or a very small value, say 0.000001.
  - We use 0.000001 because we want to avoid the case where the view plane is on the surface of something
- $t_{\max}$ 
  - The time the ray stops.
  - The time it hits something.
  - Initially, infinity.
- Set of points (revisited)

$$\{\mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d} : t_{\min} \leq t < t_{\max}\}$$

# Camera

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- Responsible for generating rays.
- Let's define image plane to be the rectangle

$$\{(x, y) : -1 \leq x, y \leq 1\}$$

- A camera maps  $(x,y)$  from the image plane to a ray.
- ```
class Camera
{
public:
    Camera();
    virtual ~Camera();

    virtual Ray gen_ray(float sx, float sy) const = 0;
};
```



# Orthographic Camera

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- Needs 6 parameters: left, right, bottom, top, hither, yon

```
• class OrthographicCamera : public Camera  
{  
public:  
    OrthographicCamera(  
        float _left,  
        float _right,  
        float _bottom,  
        float _top,  
        float _hither = RAY_EPSILON,  
        float _yon = INFINITY);  
virtual ~OrthographicCamera();  
virtual Ray gen_ray(float sx, float sy) const;  
  
public:  
    float left, right, bottom, top, hither, yon;  
};
```

# Orthographic Camera

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- Image plane is the *xy-plane*.
- So the ray must travel along the *z-axis*.
- Orthographic camera generates rays that travels in the *negative-z* direction
- Ray `OrthographicCamera::gen_ray( float sx, float sy ) const`

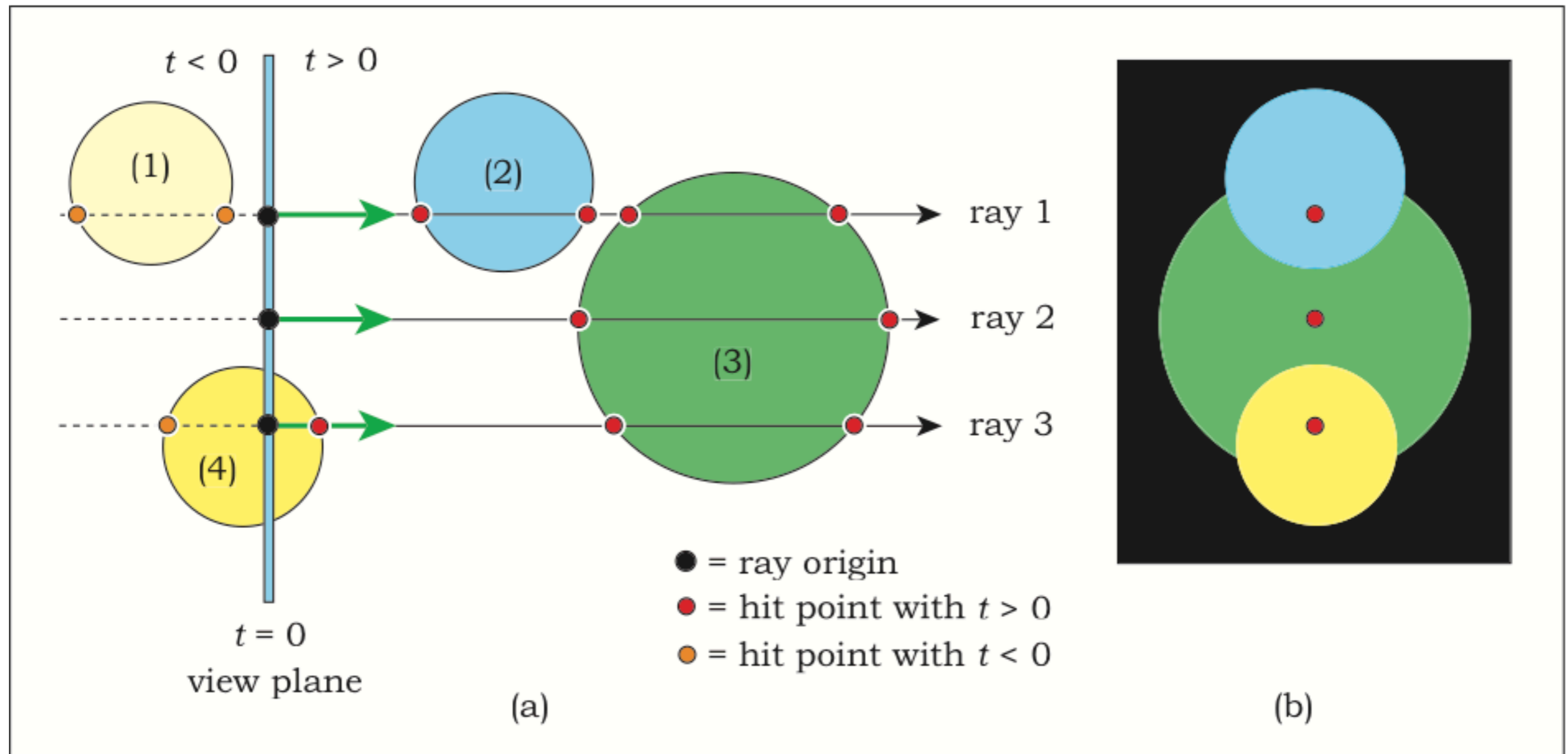
```
{  
    sx = 0.5f + sx / 2;  
    sy = 0.5f + sy / 2;  
  
    float x = left + (right - left) * sx;  
    float y = bottom + (top - bottom) * sy;  
  
    return Ray(Float3(x,y,hither), Float3(0,0,-1), 0.00001f, yon-hither);  
}
```

# Ray-Object Intersection

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- In a scene, there are several objects.
- For each ray, we have to find the *nearest object* that the ray hits.
- But the hit time  $t$  must be greater than 0.

# Ray-Object Intersection



# Geometric Shapes

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- They are models of objects in the scene.
- Each object must be able to
  - Tell if a ray intersects it
  - Compute the time of intersection
- In this lecture, each object has one color.
  - We're going work with two more sophisticated models later.

# Class Shape

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- `class Shape`

```
{  
public:  
    Shape(const Float3 &_color);  
    virtual ~Shape();  
    virtual bool intersect_p(Ray &ray) = 0;  
  
    Float3 color;  
};
```
- `intersect_p`
  - Return true if the given ray intersects the shape.
  - Modify the ray's `tmax` to the intersection if intersection occurs.



# Definitions of Sets

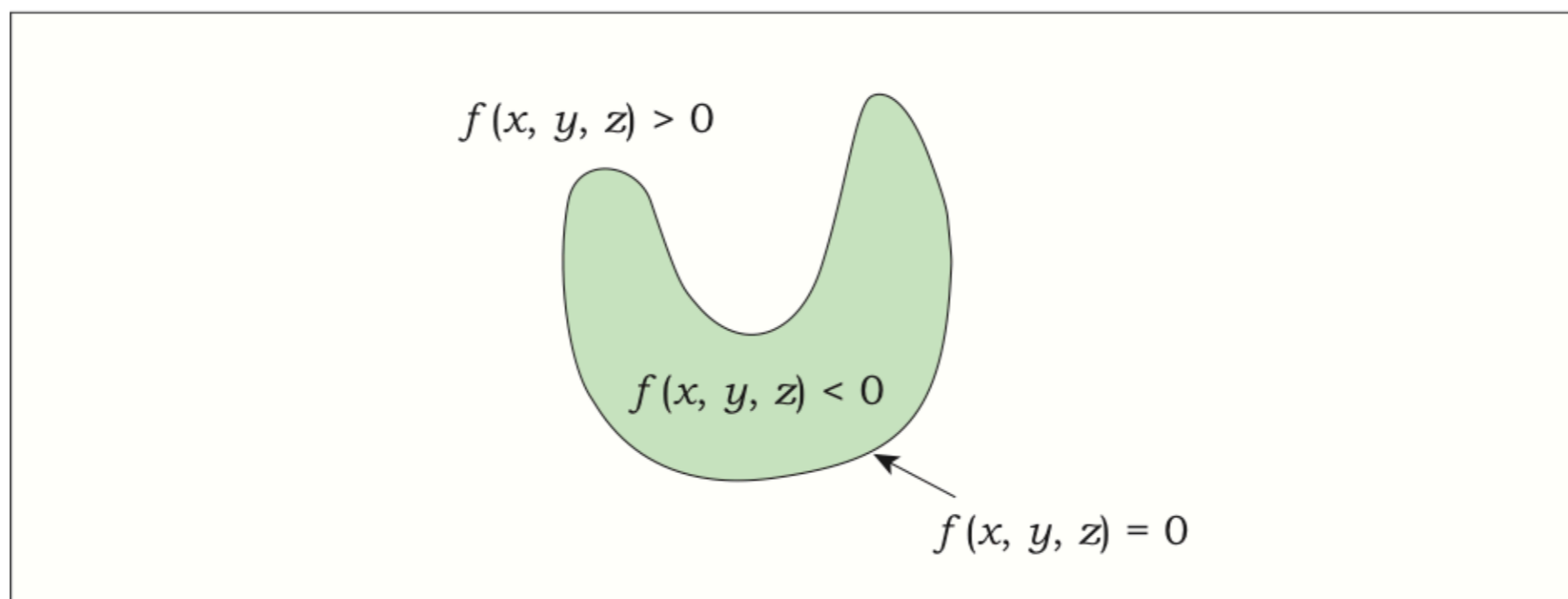
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- A set can be defined in two ways.
  - Explicitly: As the set of images of a functions of free variables.
    - A line can be defined as  $\{\mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d} : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$
    - A unit circle can be defined as  $\{(\cos \theta, \sin \theta) : \theta \in [0, 2\pi)\}$
  - Implicitly: As the set that satisfies a certain conditions.
    - A line can be defined as  $\{(x, y) : Ax + By + C = 0\}$
    - A unit circle can be defined as  $\{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$

# Implicit Definition

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- Typically, implicit definitions has a function  $f$  that takes in a point and produces a real number.
- Implicit surface is defined as *all points at which the function evaluates to 0*.
  - If the value is greater than 0, the point is said to be outside.
  - If the value is less than 0, the point is said to be inside.



# Definition of Sets in Computer Graphics

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- We define rays *explicitly*.
- We define shapes *implicitly*.
- Why? Because it helps with ray-shape intersection.
- Say, we have a shape defined as  $\{\mathbf{p} : f(\mathbf{p}) = 0\}$   
And we want to intersect it with ray  $\{\mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d} : t_{\min} \leq t < t_{\max}\}$
- We just have to solve the following equation for t:

$$f(\mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d}) = 0$$

- Then we can decide whether t is in range or not.

# Plane

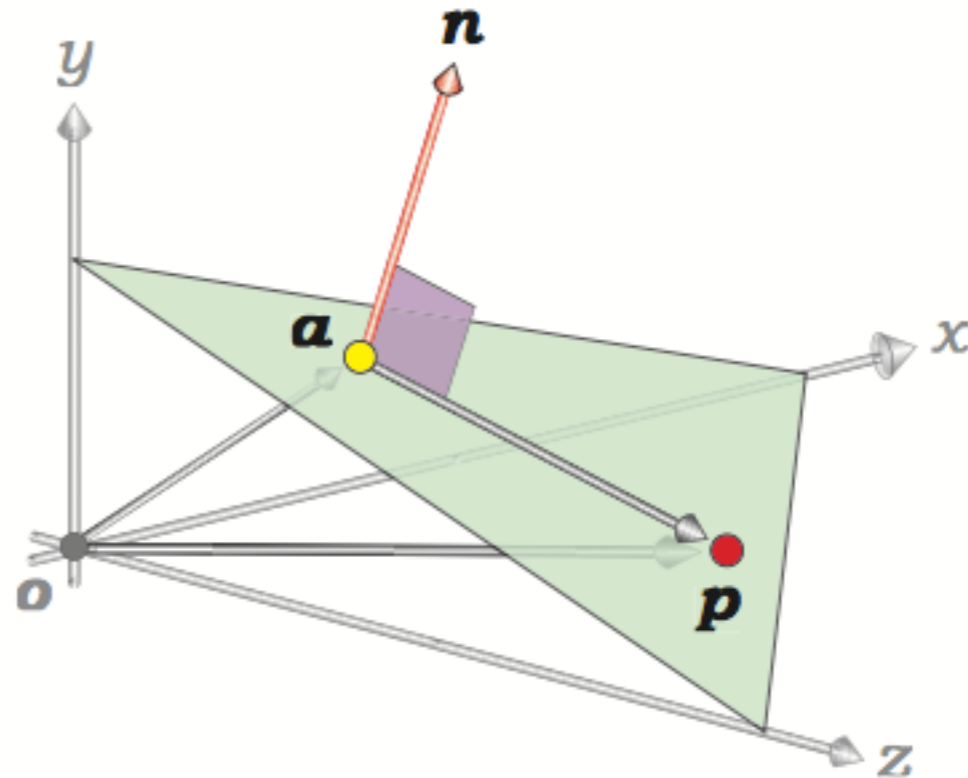
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- Infinite flat sheet of points.

- Defined by

- A point  $\mathbf{a}$

- Normal vector  $\mathbf{n}$



- Plane is the set of points  $\mathbf{p}$  such that the vector from  $\mathbf{a}$  to  $\mathbf{p}$  is *perpendicular* to the normal.

$$\{\mathbf{p} : (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{a}) \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0\}$$

# Plane Class

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- `class` Plane : public Shape  
  {  
  public:  
    Plane(const Float3 &\_point, const Float3 &\_normal, const Float3 &\_color);  
    virtual ~Plane();  
    virtual bool intersect\_p(Ray &ray);  
  
  public:  
    Float3 point;  
    Float3 normal;  
  };
- Here, the field “point” is the point **a** on the plane.  
  And the field “normal” is the normal vector **n**.

# Ray-Plane Intersection

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- We substitute  $\mathbf{p}$  with  $\mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d}$  in the plane's equation:

$$(\mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{a}) \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$$

- Solving for  $t$ , we have

$$t = \frac{(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{o}) \cdot \mathbf{n}}{\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{n}}$$



# Ray-Plane Intersection

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```
bool Plane::intersect_p( Ray &ray )
{
    float A = dot(ray.origin, normal);
    float B = dot(ray.direction, normal);
    float C = dot(point, normal);
    float t = (C - A) / B;

    if (t >= ray.tmin && t < ray.tmax)
    {
        ray.tmax = t;
        return true;
    }
    else
        return false;
}
```

# Sphere

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- A set of points that are of a constant from a point called the **center** (**c**).
  - The constant distance is called the **radius** (**r**).

- Set of points:

$$\{\mathbf{p} : \|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{c}\| = r\}$$

$$\{\mathbf{p} : (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{c}) \cdot (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{c}) = r^2\}$$

- However, if we say that  $\mathbf{c} = (c_x, c_y, c_z)$  then the above definition becomes:

$$\{(x, y, z) : (x - c_x)^2 + (y - c_y)^2 + (z - c_z)^2 = r^2\}$$

# Sphere Class

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```
class Sphere : public Shape
{
public:
    Sphere(const Float3 &_center, float _radius, const Float3 &_color);
    virtual ~Sphere();
    virtual bool intersect_p(Ray &ray);

public:
    Float3 center;
    float radius;
};
```

# Ray-Sphere Intersection

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- Substituting  $\mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d}$  into the second set definition yields:

$$(\mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{c}) \cdot (\mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{c}) - r^2 = 0$$

- Expanding, we have

$$(\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{d})t^2 + [2(\mathbf{o} - \mathbf{c}) \cdot \mathbf{d}]t + (\mathbf{o} - \mathbf{c}) \cdot (\mathbf{o} - \mathbf{c}) - r^2 = 0$$

- The above equation is a quadratic equation  $at^2 + bt + c = 0$  where
  - $a = \mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{d}$
  - $b = 2(\mathbf{o} - \mathbf{c}) \cdot \mathbf{d}$
  - $c = (\mathbf{o} - \mathbf{c}) \cdot (\mathbf{o} - \mathbf{c}) - r^2$

# Ray-Sphere Intersection

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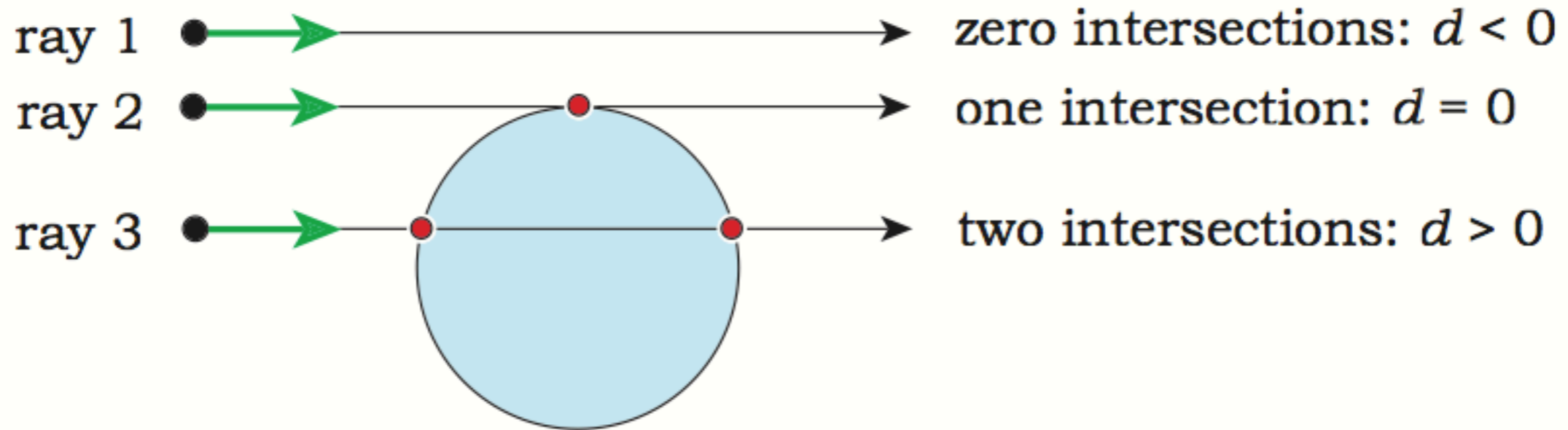
- We can solve the quadratic equation and get

$$t = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

- The **discriminant**  $d = b^2 - 4ac$  tells us how the ray intersects the sphere.
  - If  $d < 0$ , the ray doesn't intersect the sphere.
  - If  $d = 0$ , the ray intersects the sphere at only one point.
  - If  $d > 0$ , the ray intersects the sphere at two points.

# Ray-Sphere Intersection

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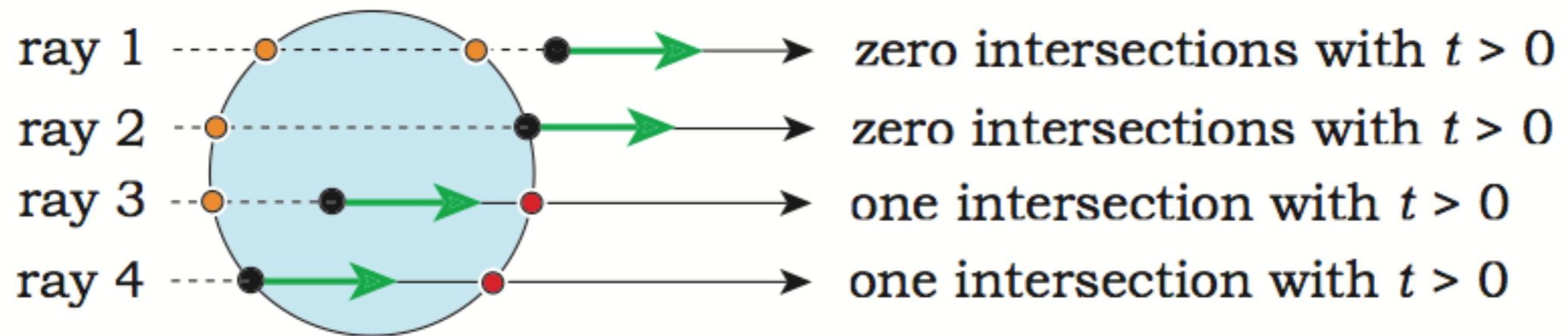




# Ray-Sphere Intersection

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- After computing  $t$ , we're not done. We have to find the *least non-negative*  $t$ .



# Ray-Sphere Intersection

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```
bool Sphere::intersect_p( Ray &ray )
{
    float t;
    Float3 temp = ray.origin - center;
    float a = dot(ray.direction, ray.direction);
    float b = 2 * dot(temp, ray.direction);
    float c = dot(temp, temp) - radius * radius;
    float disc = b*b - 4*a*c;

    if (disc < 0.0f)
        return false;

    :
    :
    :
```

# Ray-Sphere Intersection

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```
else
{
    float e = sqrtf(disc);
    float denom = 2.0f * a;
    t = (-b - e) / denom;

    if (t >= ray.tmin && t < ray.tmax)
    {
        ray.tmax = t;
        return true;
    }

    t = (-b + e) / denom;
    if (t >= ray.tmin && t < ray.tmax)
    {
        ray.tmax = t;
        return true;
    }
    else
        return false;
}
}
```

# Scene

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- A scene is a combination of two things.
  - A number of shapes.
  - The camera.
- `class Scene`

```
{  
public:  
    Scene(Camera *_camera = NULL);  
    virtual ~Scene();  
  
public:  
    Camera *camera;  
    std::vector<Shape *> shapes;  
};
```

# Rendering a Scene

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- Pseudocode:

```
For row = 0 to image_width-1 do
```

```
  For col = 0 to image_height-1 do
```

1. Convert (row,col) to (x,y) where  $-1 \leq x, y \leq 1$
2. Use camera to generate ray from (x,y)
3. Find the first object the ray intersects
4. Record the color of the object to the image

# Rendering a Scene

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```
FOR(iy, image_height)
FOR(ix, image_width)
{
    float sx = 2 * (ix + 0.5f) / image_width - 1;
    float sy = 2 * (iy + 0.5f) / image_height - 1;

    Ray ray = scene.camera->gen_ray(sx, sy);

    Shape *hit_shape = NULL;
    FOR(shape_index, shape_count)
    {
        Shape *shape = scene.shapes[shape_index];
        if (shape->intersect_p(ray))
            hit_shape = shape;
    }

    if (hit_shape != NULL)
        image[ix, iy] = hit_shape->color;
    else
        image[ix, iy] = background_color;
}
```