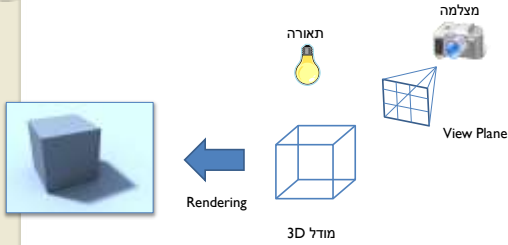


## What is 3D rendering?

- Construct an image from a 3D model



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# Rendering

1 חלק מהשקפים מעובדים משקפים של פרדו דורגנד, טומס פנקהאוסר ודניאל כהן-אור

## Rendering Scenarios

### • אצווה (batch)

- כל תמונה מיוצרת ברמת פירוט גבוהה ככל האפשר עבור סט ספציפי של פרמטרים
- לוקח כמה זמן שצריך
- שימושי לפוטוריאלים, סרטים וכו'



Jensen

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## Rendering Scenarios

### • אינטראקטיבי

- מייצרים תמונות בשבריר שנייה (לפחות 10 בשנייה) כאשר המשתמש שולט בפרמטרים של הרינדור
- יש צורך להשיג את האיכות הגבוהה ביותר בהתחשב בזמן הנתון (הקצב הנדרש)
- שימושי לויזואליזציות, משחקים וכו'

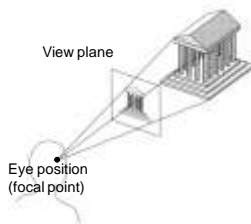


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## Camera Models

- The most common model is pin-hole camera
  - All captured light rays arrive along paths toward focal point without lens distortion (everything is in focus)
  - Sensor response proportional to radiance

Other models consider ...  
Depth of field  
Motion blur  
Lens distortion

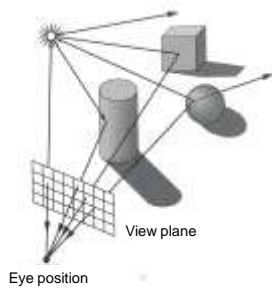


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## 3D Rendering Issues

- What does a 3D rendering system have to do?
  - Camera
  - Visible surface determination
  - Lights
  - Reflectance
  - Shadows
  - Indirect Illumination
  - Sampling
  - Etc.

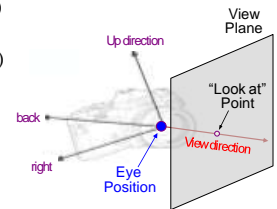
## View Plane



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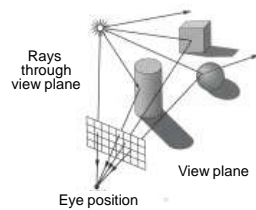
## Camera Parameters

- Position
  - Eye position ( $p_x, p_y, p_z$ )
- Orientation
  - View direction ( $d_x, d_y, d_z$ )
  - Up direction ( $u_x, u_y, u_z$ )
- Aperture
  - Field of view ( $x_{fov}, y_{fov}$ )
- Film plane
  - "Look at" point
  - View plane normal



## Visible Surface Determination

- The color of each pixel on the view plane depends on the radiance emanating from visible surfaces



Simplest method is ray casting

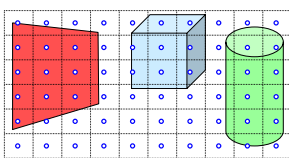
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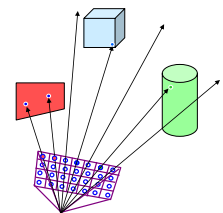
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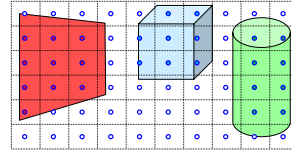
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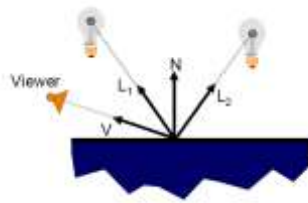
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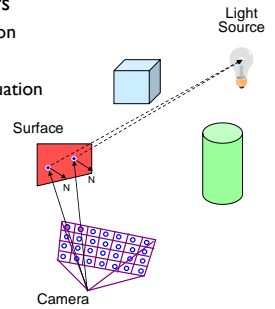
### Lighting Simulation



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- Lighting parameters
  - Light source emission
  - Surface reflectance
  - Atmospheric attenuation
  - Camera response



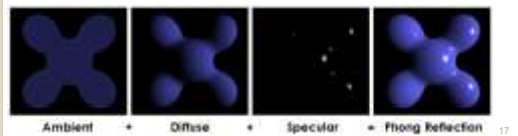
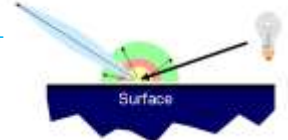
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### OpenGL Reflectance Model

- Simple analytic model
  - Diffuse reflection+
  - Specular reflection+
  - Emission+
  - "ambient"



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## Shadows

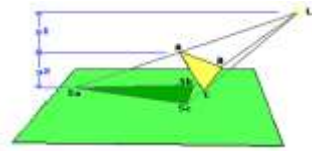
- Occlusions from light sources
  - Soft shadows with area light source



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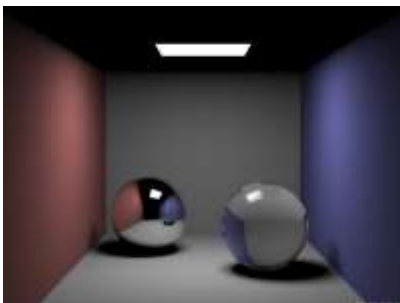
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## Path Types

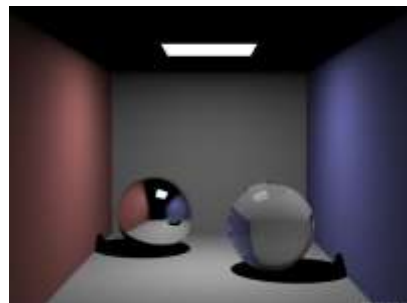
+ Soft Shadows



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## Path Types

Direct diffuse + indirect specular and transmission



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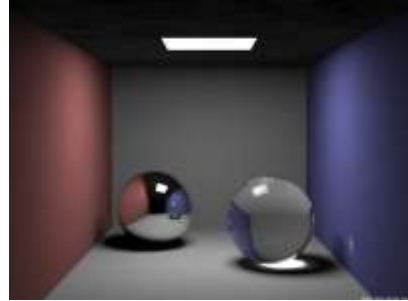
+ indirect diffuse illumination



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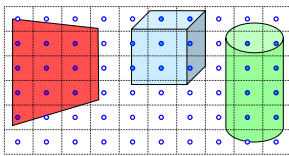
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+ caustics



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- Scene can be sampled with any ray
  - Rendering is a problem in sampling and reconstruction



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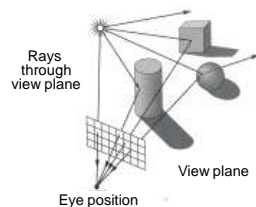
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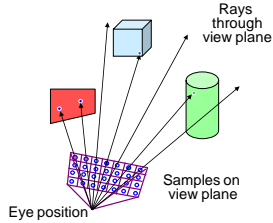
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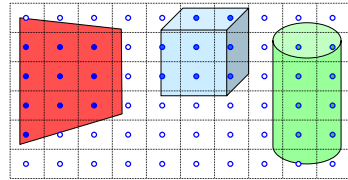
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- Simple implementation:

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{
    Image image = new Image(width, height);
    for (int i = 0; i < width; i++) {
        for (int j = 0; j < height; j++) {
            Ray ray = ConstructRayThroughPixel(camera, i, j);
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### Constructing Ray Through a Pixel

- 2D Example

$\Theta$  = frustum half-angle  
 $d$  = distance to view plane

right = towards x up

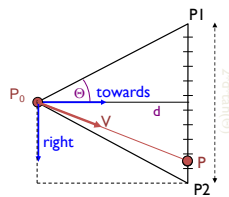
$$P1 = P_0 + d * \text{towards} - d * \tan(\Theta) * \text{right}$$

$$P2 = P_0 + d * \text{towards} + d * \tan(\Theta) * \text{right}$$

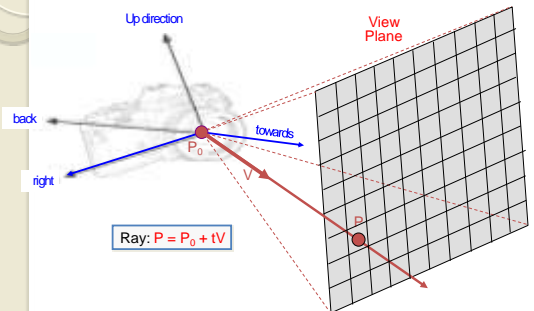
$$P = P1 + (i/\text{width} + 0.5) * 2 * d * \tan(\Theta) * \text{right}$$

$$V = (P - P_0) / \|P - P_0\|$$

$$\text{Ray: } P = P_0 + tV$$



### Constructing Ray Through a Pixel



## Ray-Scene Intersection

- Intersections with geometric primitives
  - Sphere
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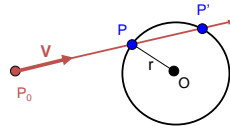
Ray:  $P = P_0 + tV$   
 Sphere:  $|P - O|^2 - r^2 = 0$

Algebraic Method

Substituting for P, we get:  
 $|P_0 + tV - O|^2 - r^2 = 0$

Solve quadratic equation:  
 $at^2 + bt + c = 0$

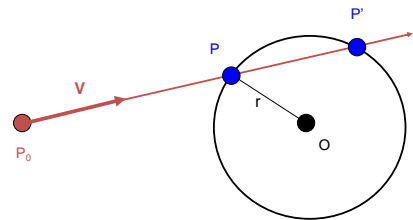
where:  
 $a = 1$   
 $b = 2V \cdot (P_0 - O)$   
 $c = |P_0 - O|^2 - r^2 = 0$



$P = P_0 + tV$

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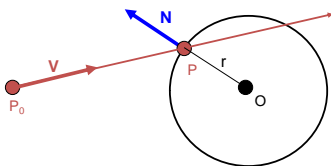
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## Ray-Sphere Intersection

- Need normal vector at intersection for lighting calculations

$N = (P - O) / ||P - O||$

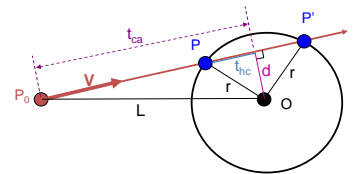


## Ray-Sphere Intersection II

Ray:  $P = P_0 + tV$   
 Sphere:  $|P - O|^2 - r^2 = 0$

Geometric Method

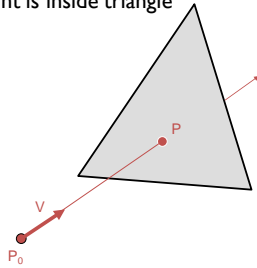
$L = O - P_0$   
 $t_{ca} = L \cdot V$   
 if ( $t_{ca} < 0$ ) return 0  
 $d^2 = L \cdot L - t_{ca}^2$   
 if ( $d^2 > r^2$ ) return 0  
 $t_{hc} = \sqrt{r^2 - d^2}$   
 $t = t_{ca} - t_{hc}$  and  $t_{ca} + t_{hc}$



$P = P_0 + tV$

## Ray-Triangle Intersection

- First, intersect ray with plane
- Then, check if point is inside triangle



## Ray-Scene Intersection

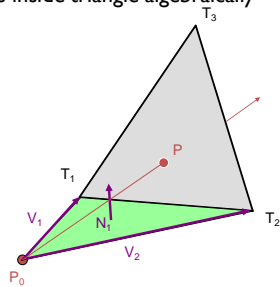
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## Ray-Triangle Intersection I

- Check if point is inside triangle algebraically

```

For each side of triangle
  V1 = T1 - P
  V2 = T2 - P
  N1 = V2 x V1
  Normalize N1
  if (P - P0) · N1 < 0
    return FALSE;
end
    
```



### Algebraic Method

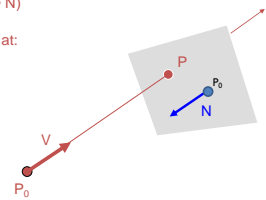
## Ray-Plane Intersection

Ray:  $P = P_0 + tV$   
 Plane:  $N(P - P_0) = 0 \Rightarrow P \cdot N + c = 0$

Substituting for P, we get:  
 $(P_0 + tV) \cdot N + c = 0$

Solution:  
 $t = -(P_0 \cdot N + c) / (V \cdot N)$

And the intersection at:  
 $P = P_0 + tV$



## Other Ray-Primitive Intersections

- Cone, cylinder, ellipsoid:
  - Similar to sphere
- Box
  - Intersect 3 front-facing planes, return closest
- Convex polygon
  - Same as triangle (check point-in-polygon algebraically)
- Concave polygon
  - Same plane intersection
  - More complex point-in-polygon test



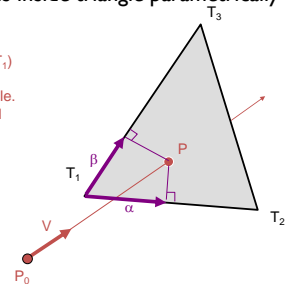
Algorithms for 3D object intersection: <http://www.realtimerendering.com/int/>

## Ray-Triangle Intersection II

- Check if point is inside triangle parametrically

Compute  $\alpha, \beta$ :  
 $P = \alpha(T_2 - T_1) + \beta(T_3 - T_1)$

Check if point inside triangle.  
 $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq \beta \leq 1$   
 $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$





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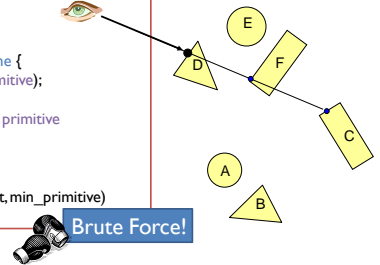
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- Find intersection with front-most primitive in group

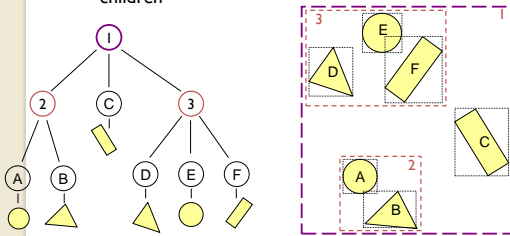
```

Intersection FindIntersection(Ray ray, Scene scene)
{
    min_t = infinity
    min_primitive = NULL
    For each primitive in scene {
        t = Intersect(ray, primitive);
        if (t < min_t) then
            min_primitive = primitive
            min_t = t
    }
    return Intersect(min_t, min_primitive)
}
    
```



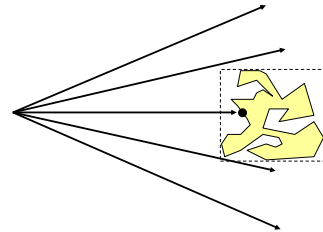
## Bounding Volume Hierarchies I

- Build hierarchy of bounding volumes
  - Bounding volume of interior node contains all children



## Bounding Volumes

- Check for intersection with simple shape first
  - If ray doesn't intersect bounding volume, then it doesn't intersect its contents



## Bounding Volume Hierarchies III

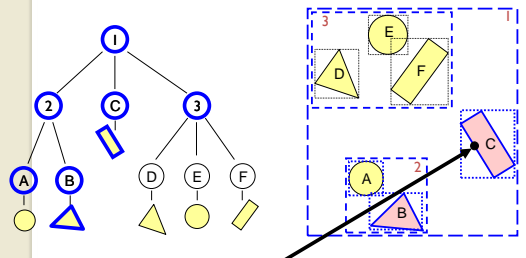
- Sort hits & detect early termination

```

FindIntersection(Ray ray, Node node)
{
    // Find intersections with child node bounding volumes
    ...
    // Sort intersections front to back
    ...
    // Process intersections (checking for early termination)
    min_t = infinity;
    for each intersected child i {
        if (min_t < bv_t[i]) break;
        shape_t = FindIntersection(ray, child);
        if (shape_t < min_t) { min_t = shape_t; }
    }
    return min_t;
}
    
```

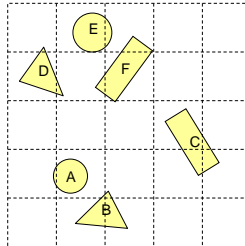
## Bounding Volume Hierarchies

- Use hierarchy to accelerate ray intersections
  - Intersect node contents only if hit bounding volume



## Uniform Grid

- Construct uniform grid over scene
  - Index primitives according to overlaps with grid cells



## Ray-Scene Intersection

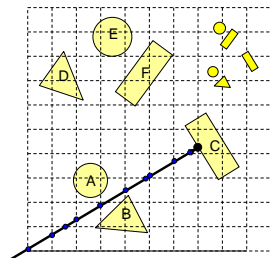
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## Uniform Grid

- Potential problem:
  - How choose suitable grid resolution?

Too little benefit  
if grid is too coarse

Too much cost  
if grid is too fine

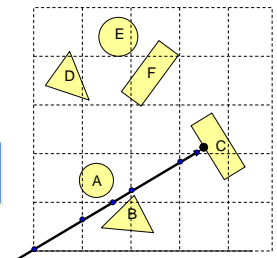


## Uniform Grid

- Trace rays through grid cells
  - Fast
  - Incremental

Only check primitives  
in intersected grid cells

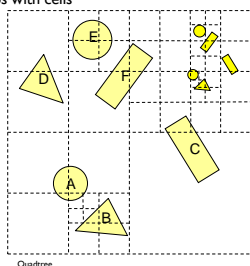
Given an entry point into a cell  
and a vector, its easy to  
calculate exit point



## Octree

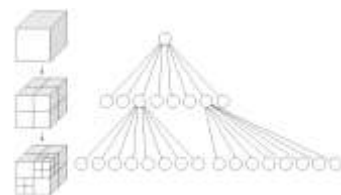
- Construct adaptive grid over scene
  - Recursively subdivide box-shaped cells into 8 octants
  - Index primitives by overlaps with cells

Generally fewer cells



## Octree

- A tree data structure used to partition three dimensional space
- 3D analog of *Quadtrees* (2D)



## Octree

- Very useful in computer graphics, used for
  - Intersections
  - Collisions
  - Color quantization
  - Surface reconstruction (meshing)
  - ...

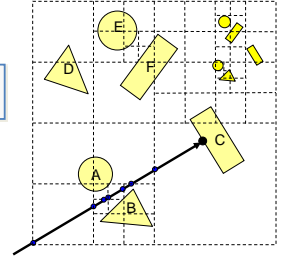


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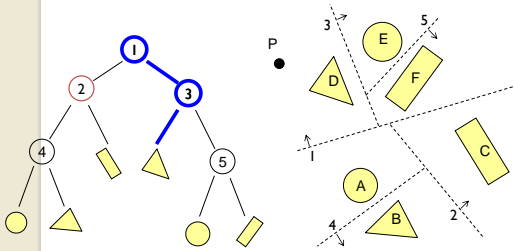
- Trace rays through neighbor cells
  - Fewer cells
  - More complex neighbor finding

Trade-off fewer cells for more expensive traversal



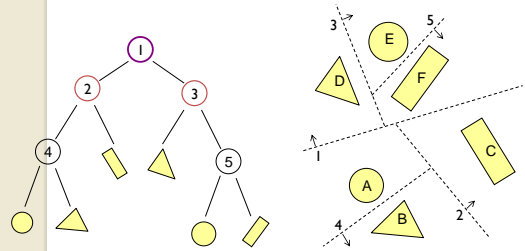
## Binary Space Partition (BSP) Tree

- Simple recursive algorithms
  - Example: point finding



## Binary Space Partition (BSP) Tree

- Recursively partition space by planes
  - Every cell is a convex polyhedron



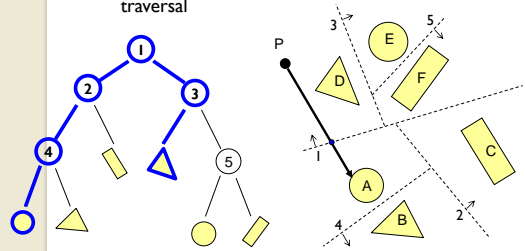
## Binary Space Partition (BSP) Tree

```

RayTreeIntersect(Ray ray, Node node, double min, double max)
{
    if (Node is a leaf)
        return intersection of closest primitive in cell, or NULL if none
    else
        dist = distance of the ray point to split plane of node
        near_child = child of node that contains the origin of Ray
        far_child = other child of node
        if the interval to look is on near side
            return RayTreeIntersect(ray, near_child, min, max)
        else if the interval to look is on far side
            return RayTreeIntersect(ray, far_child, min, max)
        else if the interval to look is on both side
            if (RayTreeIntersect(ray, near_child, min, dist)) return ...;
            else return RayTreeIntersect(ray, far_child, dist, max)
}
    
```

## Binary Space Partition (BSP) Tree

- Trace rays by recursion on tree
  - BSP construction enables simple front-to-back traversal



## Summary

- Writing a simple ray casting renderer is easy
  - Generate rays
  - Intersection tests
  - Lighting calculations
- What next?
  - **Illumination**



## Other Accelerations

- Screen space coherence
  - Check last hit first
  - Beam tracing
  - Pencil tracing
  - Cone tracing
- Memory coherence
  - Large scenes
- Parallelism
  - Ray casting is "embarrassingly parallelizable"
- etc.

