Advanced Materials

Computer Graphics

Yu-Ting Wu

(with some slides borrowed from Prof. Yung-Yu Chuang)

Outline

- Overview
- Microfacet Models
- Materials beyond BRDFs
- BRDFs for Production

Outline

- **Overview**
- Microfacet Models
- Materials beyond BRDFs
- BRDFs for Production

The Rendering Equation

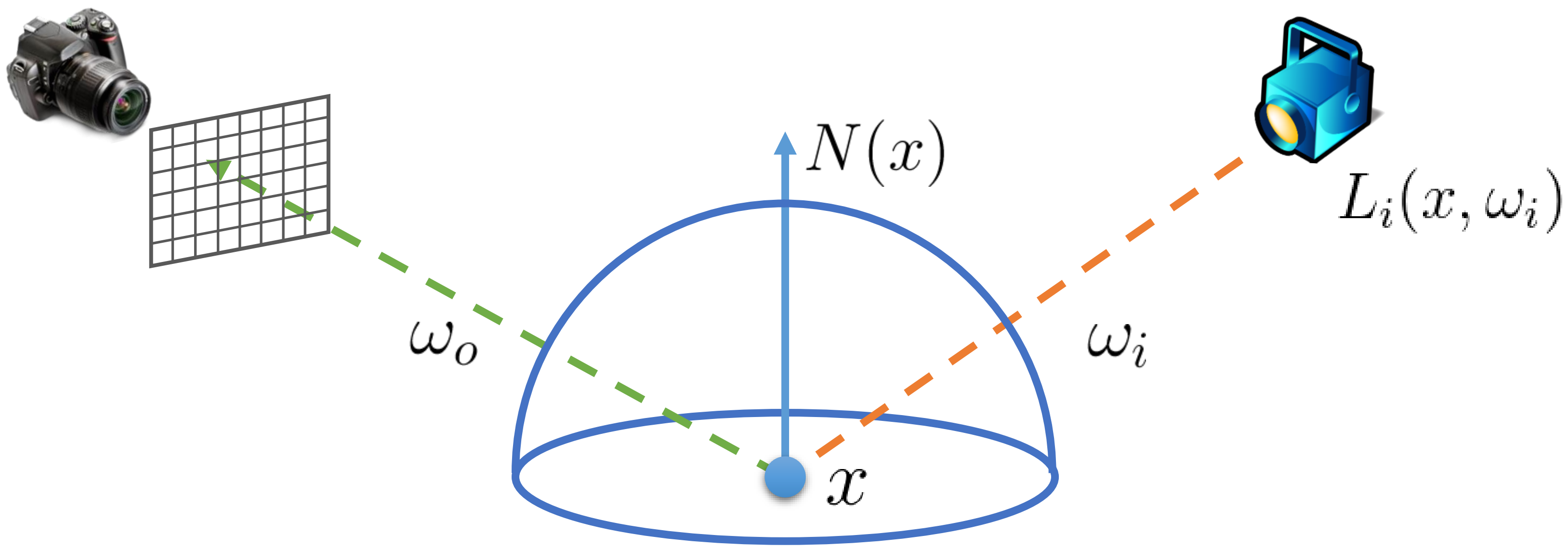
- Proposed by Kajiya [1986]

$$L(x,\omega_o) = L_e(x,\omega_o) + \int_\Omega L_i(x,\omega_i) f_r(x,\omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i)(N(x)\cdot\omega_i)d\omega_i$$

emitted radiance: $L_e(x,\omega_o)$

reflected radiance: $\int_\Omega L_i(x,\omega_i) f_r(x,\omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i)(N(x)\cdot\omega_i)d\omega_i$

- Integral of all directions: $\int_\Omega$
- incident radiance: $L_i(x,\omega_i)$
- bidirectional reflectance distribution function (BRDF): $f_r(x,\omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i)$
- geometry term: $(N(x)\cdot\omega_i)$

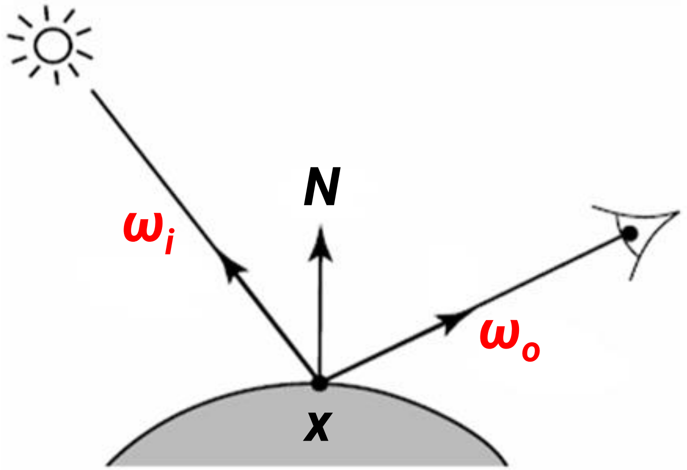


Formal Material Representation

- In **Physically-based Rendering (PBR)**, the characteristic of a material is usually defined by **Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function (BRDF)**

$$f_r(x, \omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i)$$

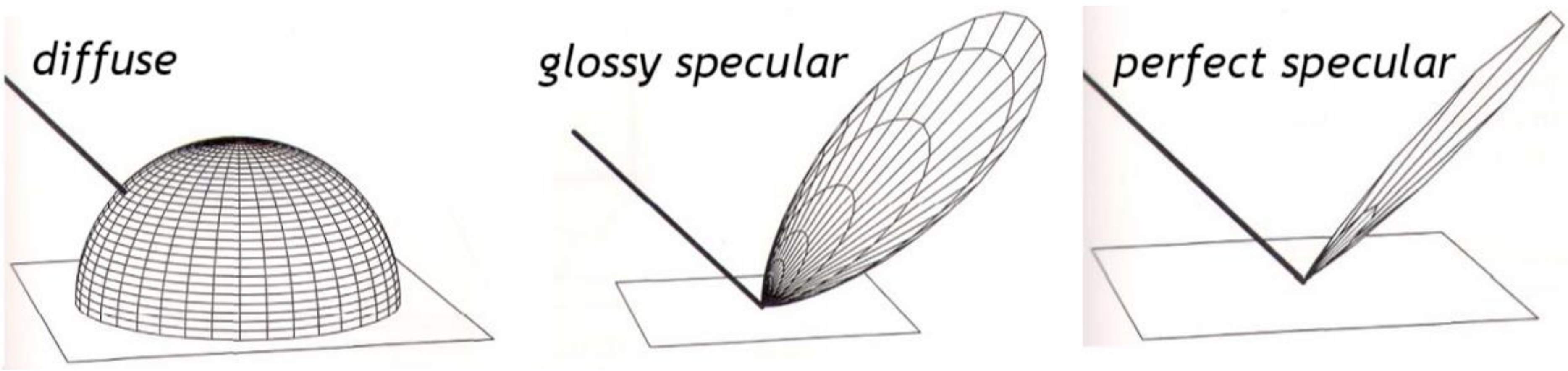
  - Describe how much light (**ratio**) coming from $\boldsymbol{\omega_i}$ will reflect toward $\boldsymbol{\omega_o}$ at point $\boldsymbol{x}$



Formal Material Representation (cont.)

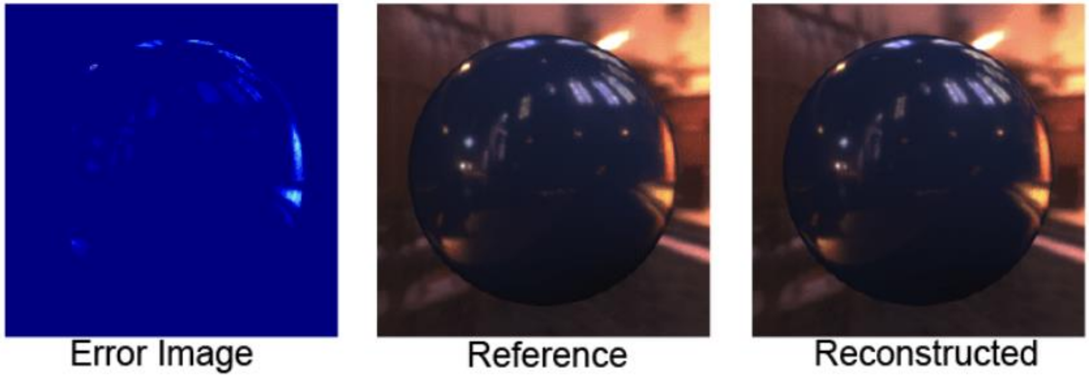
$$f_r(x, \omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i)$$

Describe how much light (**ratio**) coming from $\boldsymbol{\omega_i}$ will reflect toward $\boldsymbol{\omega_o}$ at point $\boldsymbol{x}$

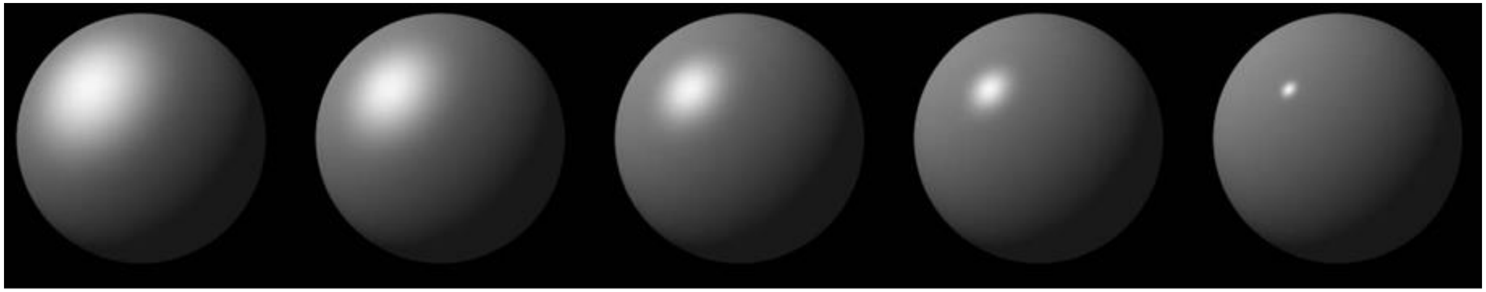


Formal Material Representation (cont.)

- A good representation should have
  - Accuracy
  - Expressiveness
  - Speed



$$k_s \cdot I \cdot \max(0, vE \cdot vR)^n$$



$n = 3.0$ $n = 5.0$ $n = 10.0$ $n = 27.0$ $n = 200.0$

Classification of BRDF

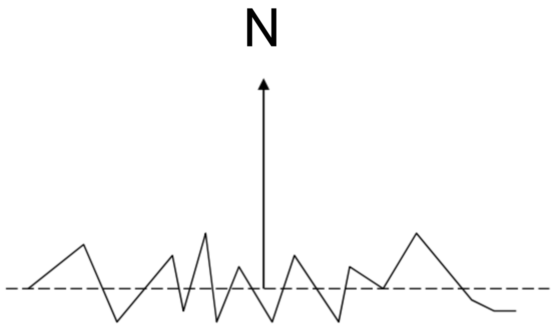
- **Phenomenological models**
  - Qualitative approach
  - Models with intuitive parameters
  - Examples are Phong and Blinn-Phong lighting models
- **Geometric optics**
  - Microfacet models
- **Measured data**
  - Usually described in tabular form or coefficients of a set of basis functions

Outline

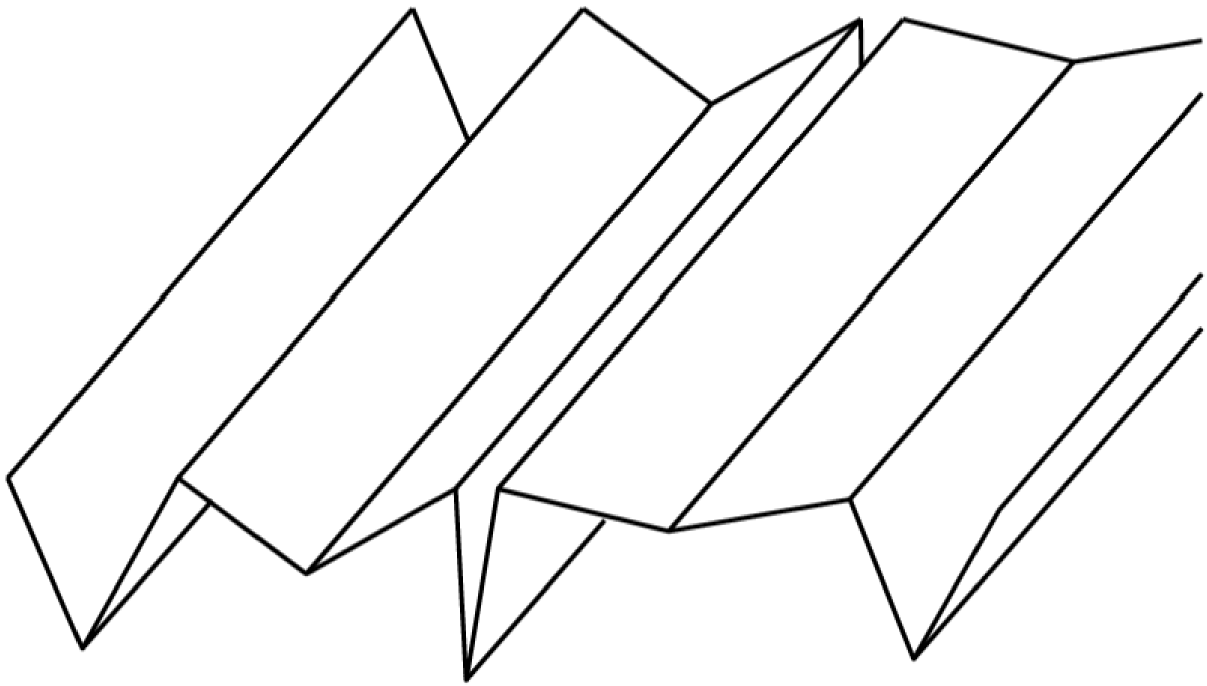
- Overview
- **Microfacet Models**
- Materials beyond BRDFs
- BRDFs for Production

Microfacet Model

- Rough surfaces can be modeled as a collection of small **microfacets**
- The **aggregate behavior** of the small microfacets determines the scattering
- Two components for deriving a closed-form BRDF expression
  - The distribution of microfacets
  - How light scatters from the individual microfacet



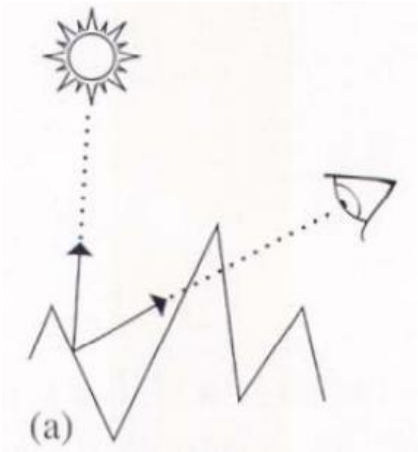
Microfacet Model (cont.)



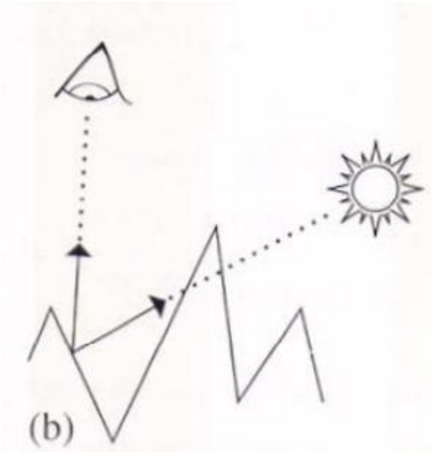
Most microfacet models assume that all microfacets make up **symmetric V-shaped** grooves so that only neighboring microfacet needs to be considered

Microfacet Model (cont.)

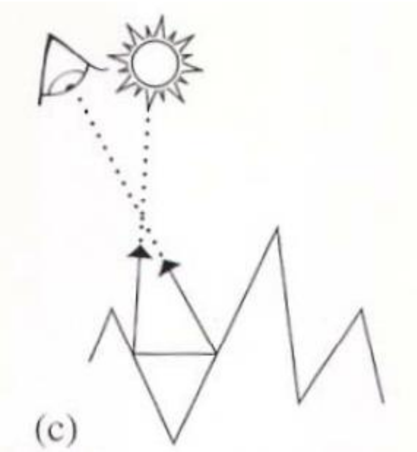
- Important geometric effects to consider



masking



shadowing

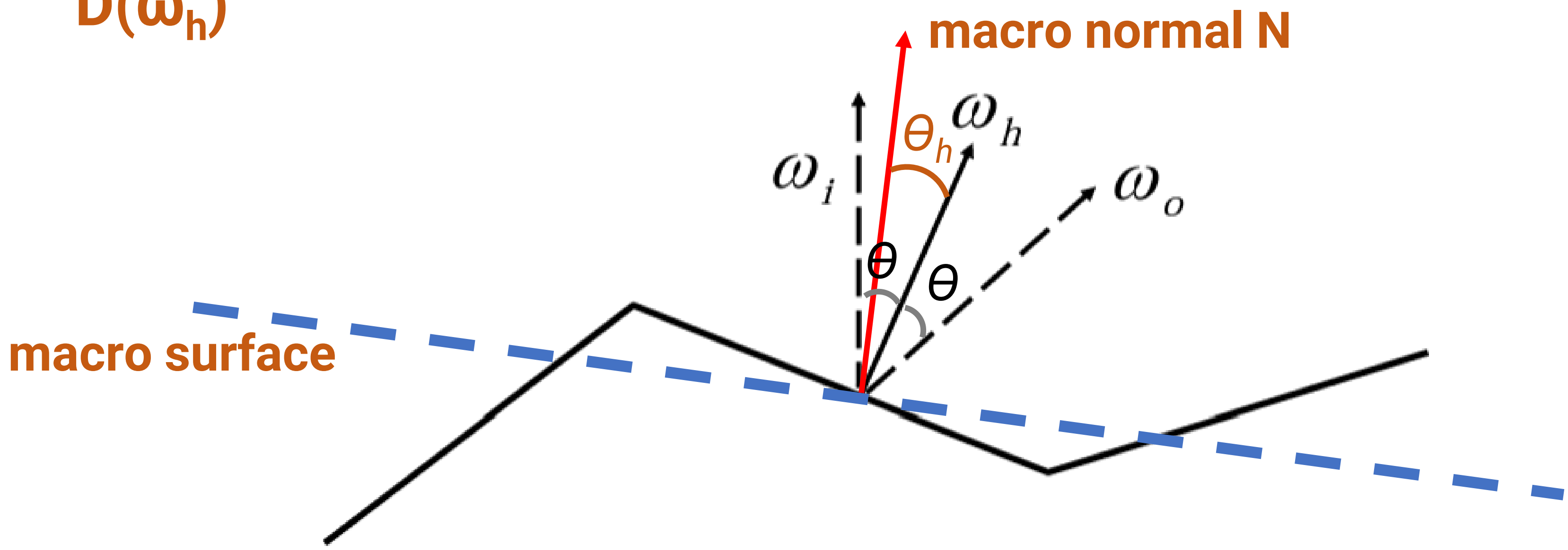


interreflection

- Particular models consider these effects with varying degrees of accuracy

Torrance-Sparrow Model

- One of the first microfacet model
- Designed to model **metallic** surfaces
- Assumption: a surface is composed of a collection of **perfectly smooth mirrored** microfacets with **distribution $D(\omega_h)$**



Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Described by
  - Microfacet distribution *D*
  - Geometric attenuation *G*
  - Fresnel reflection *F*

$$f_r(\omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i) = \frac{D(\omega_h)G(\omega_i, \omega_o)F(\omega_i, \omega_h)}{4\cos\theta_i\cos\theta_o}$$

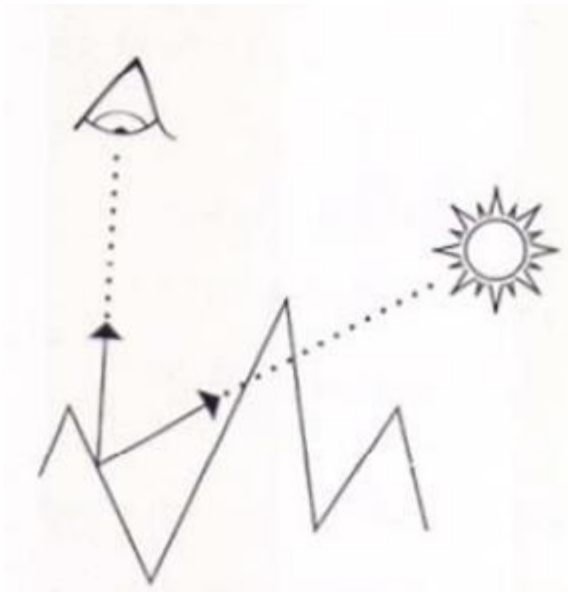
Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Described by
  - Microfacet distribution *D*
  - **Geometric attenuation *G***
  - Fresnel reflection *F*

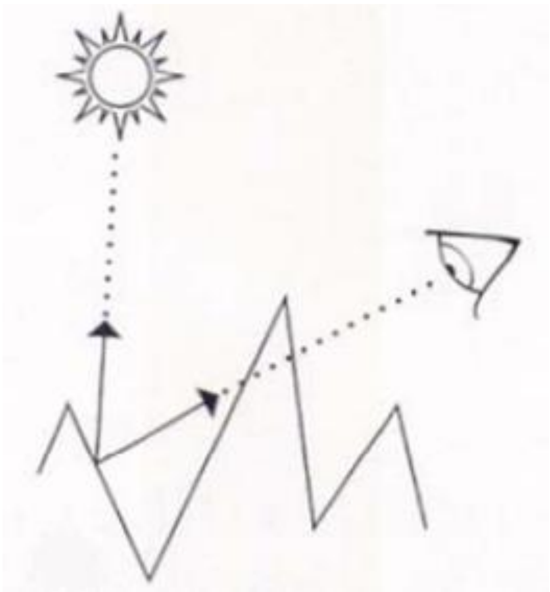
$$f_r(\omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i) = \frac{D(\omega_h)\boxed{G(\omega_i, \omega_o)}F(\omega_i, \omega_h)}{4\cos\theta_i\cos\theta_o}$$

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Geometry attenuation factor



shadowing

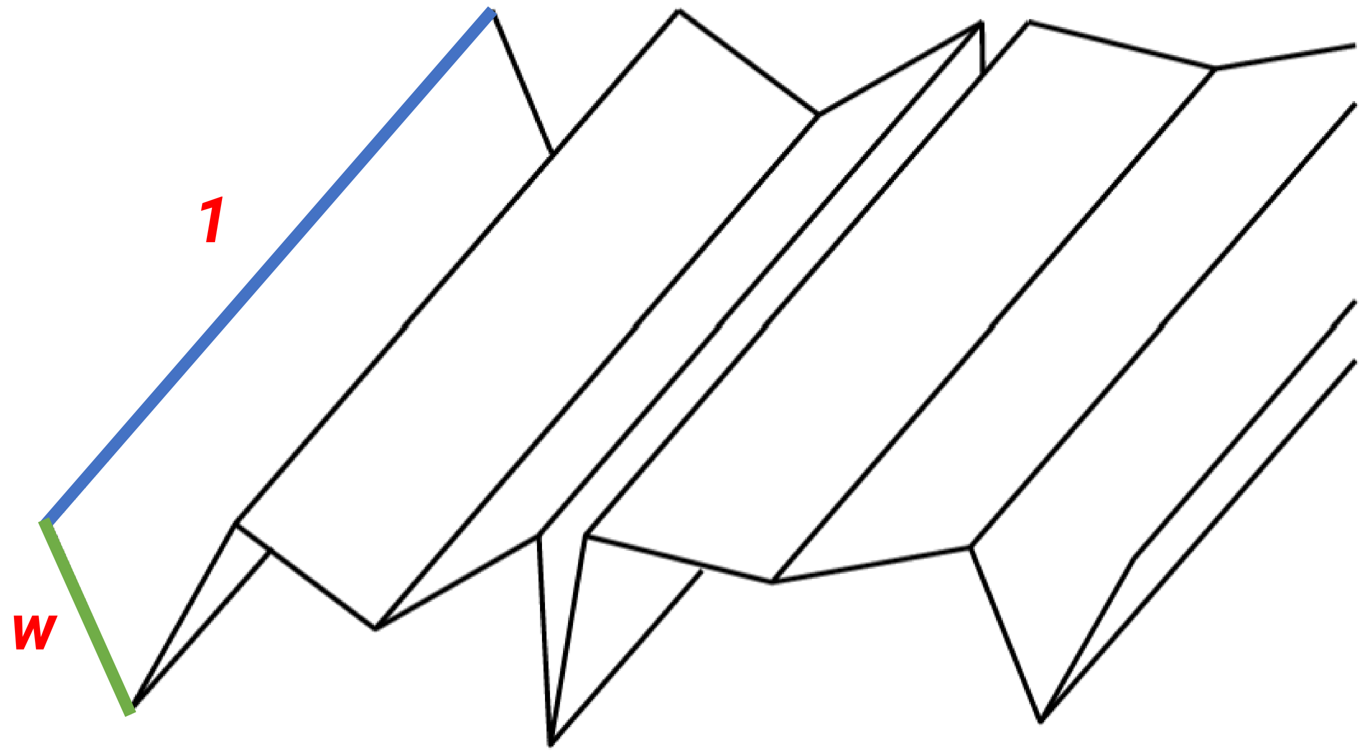


masking

$$G = \frac{\textit{facet area that is both visible and illuminated}}{\textit{total facet area}}$$

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Configuration

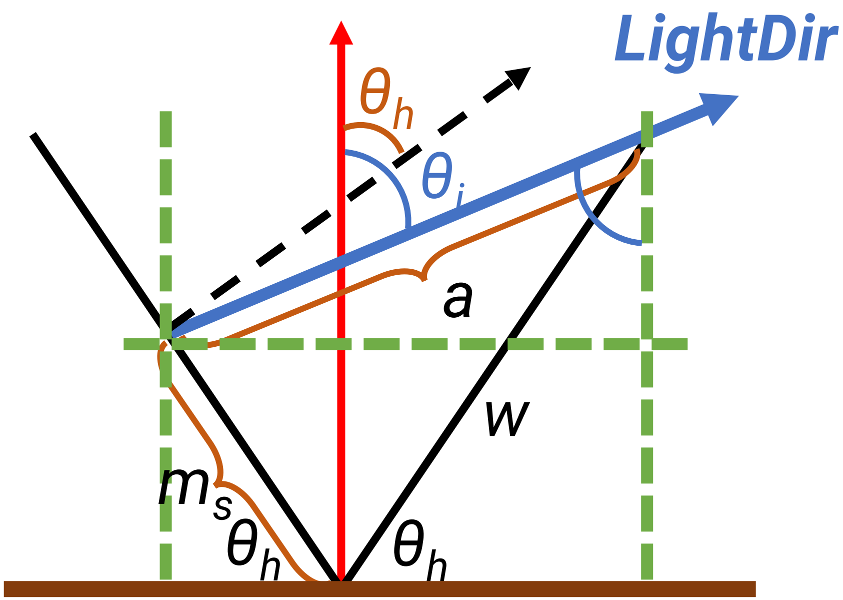


Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Shadowing term

$$1 - \frac{m_s}{w}$$

$$a\sin\theta_i = w\cos\theta_h + m_s\cos\theta_h \qquad \times \cos\theta_i$$
$$a\cos\theta_i = w\sin\theta_h - m_s\sin\theta_h \qquad \times -\sin\theta_i$$



$$\frac{m_s}{w} = -\frac{\cos(\theta_h + \theta_i)}{\cos(\theta_h - \theta_i)}$$

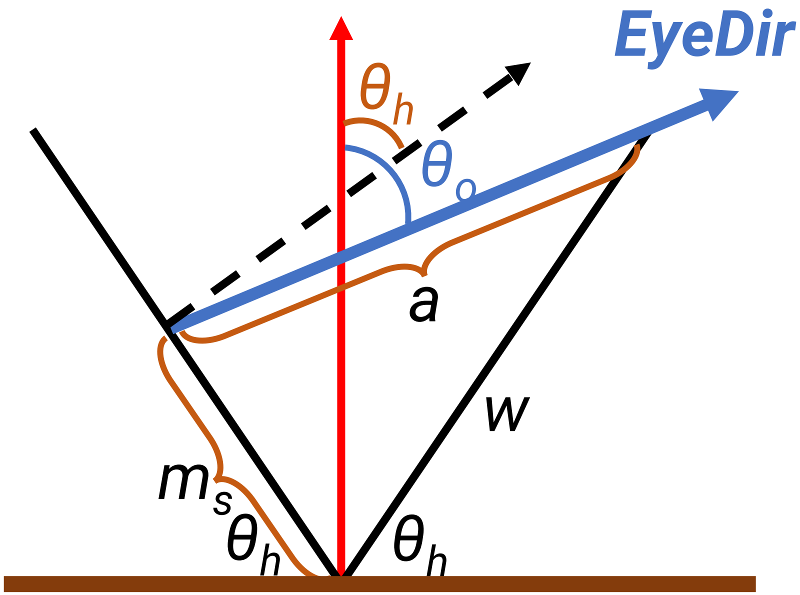
$$1 - \frac{m_s}{w} = \frac{2\cos\theta_h\cos\theta_i}{\cos(\theta_h - \theta_i)}$$

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Masking term

$$1 - \frac{m_v}{w}$$

$$a\sin\theta_o = w\cos\theta_h + m_s\cos\theta_h \quad \times\cos\theta_o$$
$$a\cos\theta_o = w\sin\theta_h + m_s\sin\theta_h \quad \times -\sin\theta_o$$



$$1 - \frac{m_v}{w} = \frac{2\cos\theta_h\cos\theta_o}{\cos(\theta_h - \theta_o)}$$

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Geometry attenuation factor

$$G = \frac{\textit{facet area that is both visible and illuminated}}{\textit{total facet area}}$$

$$G = \min\left(1 - \frac{m_s}{w}, 1 - \frac{m_v}{w}\right) = \min\left(\frac{2\cos\theta_h \cos\theta_i}{\cos(\theta_h - \theta_i)}, \frac{2\cos\theta_h \cos\theta_o}{\cos(\theta_h - \theta_o)}\right)$$

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

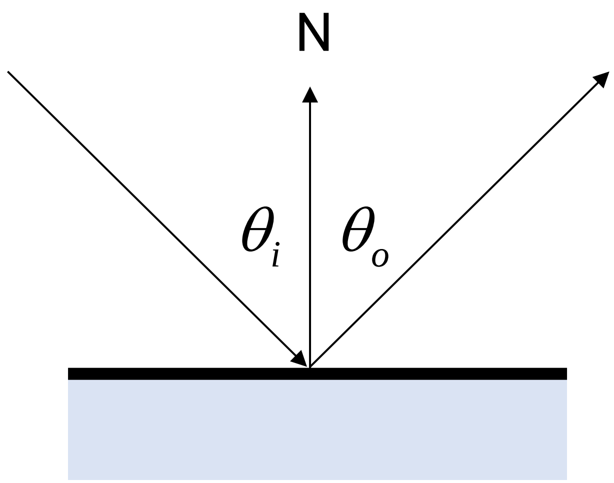
- Described by
  - Microfacet distribution *D*
  - Geometric attenuation *G*
  - **Fresnel reflection *F***

$$f_r(\omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i) = \frac{D(\omega_h)G(\omega_i, \omega_o)\boxed{F(\omega_i, \omega_h)}}{4\cos\theta_i\cos\theta_o}$$

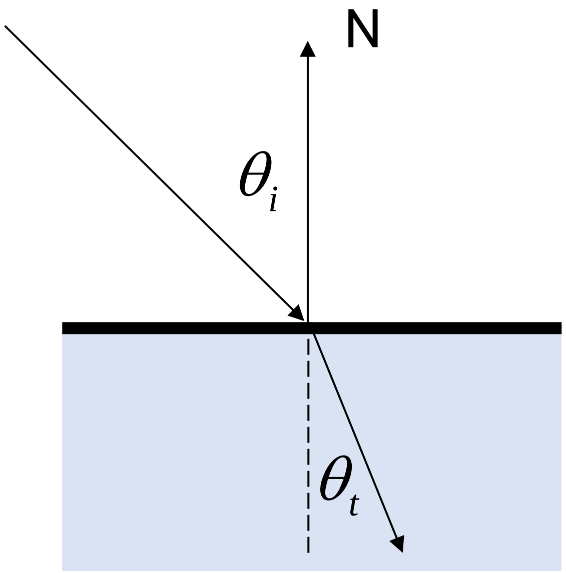
Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Real-world surface has both **reflection** and **transmission**
  - Perfect specular reflection: $\theta_i = \theta_o$
  - Perfect specular transmission: $\eta_i \sin\theta_i = \eta_t \sin\theta_t$ (Snell's law)

index of refraction



perfect reflection



perfect transmission

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- **Reflectivity** and **transmissiveness**: fraction of incoming light that is reflected or transmitted
  - Usually **view dependent**
  - Hence, the reflectivity is not a constant and should be corrected by the **Fresnel equation**

- Fresnel equation
  - Related to the wave's electric field
  - S polarization and P polarization

  https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fresnel_equations

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Different properties for dielectrics and conductors

$$r_{\parallel} = \frac{\eta_t \cos\theta_i - \eta_i \cos\theta_t}{\eta_t \cos\theta_i + \eta_i \cos\theta_t}$$

$$r_{\perp} = \frac{\eta_i \cos\theta_i - \eta_t \cos\theta_t}{\eta_i \cos\theta_i + \eta_t \cos\theta_t}$$

Fresnel reflectance for **dielectrics**

$$r_{\parallel}^2 = \frac{\left(\eta^2 + k^2\right)\cos^2\theta_i - 2\eta\cos\theta_i + 1}{\left(\eta^2 + k^2\right)\cos^2\theta_i + 2\eta\cos\theta_i + 1}$$

$$r_{\perp}^2 = \frac{\left(\eta^2 + k^2\right) - 2\eta\cos\theta_i + \cos^2\theta_i}{\left(\eta^2 + k^2\right) + 2\eta\cos\theta_i + \cos^2\theta_i}$$

Fresnel reflectance for **conductors**

$$F_r(\omega_i) = \frac{1}{2}\left(r_{\parallel}^2 + r_{\perp}^2\right)$$

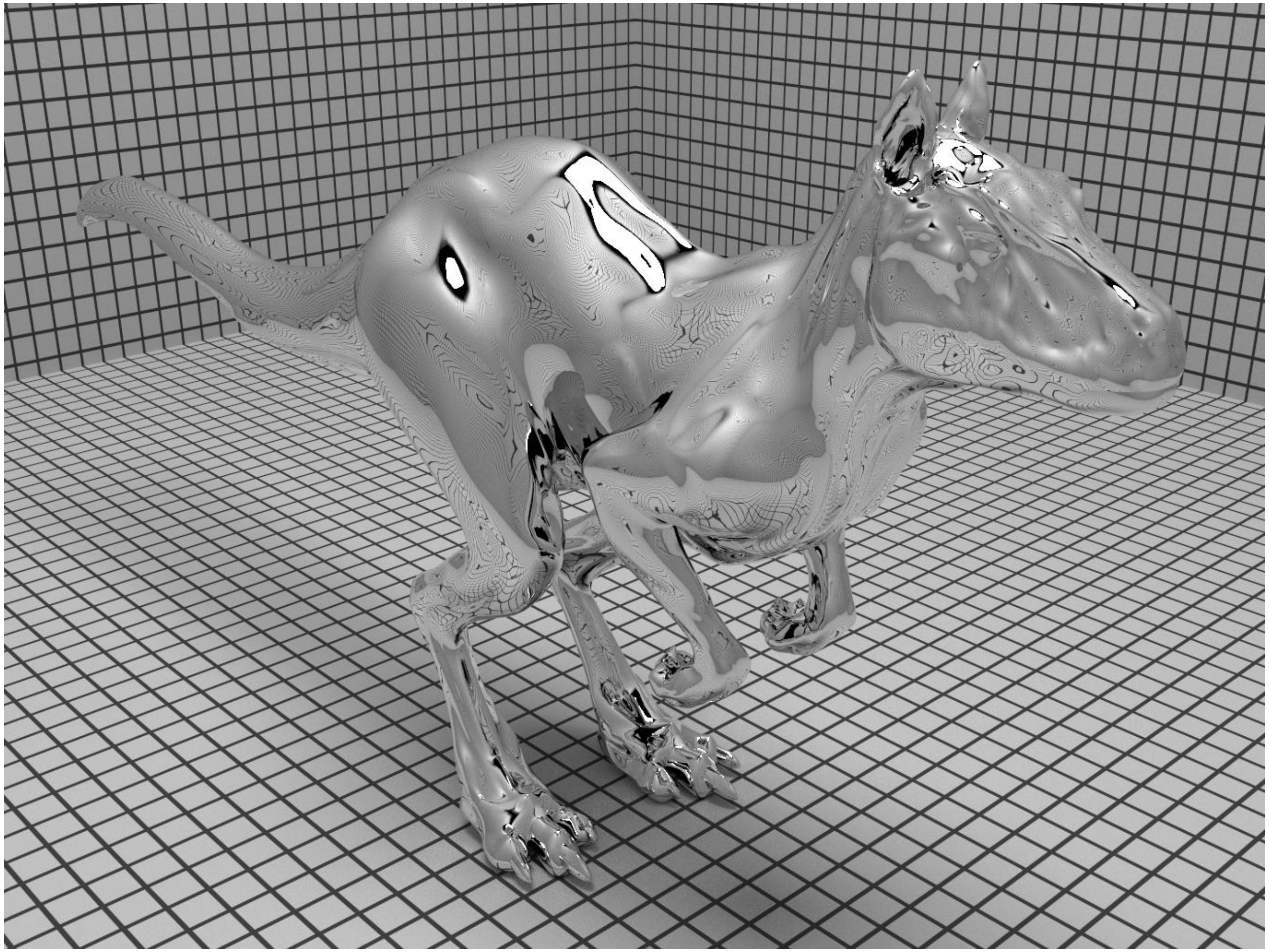
assume light is unpolarized

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Indices of refraction

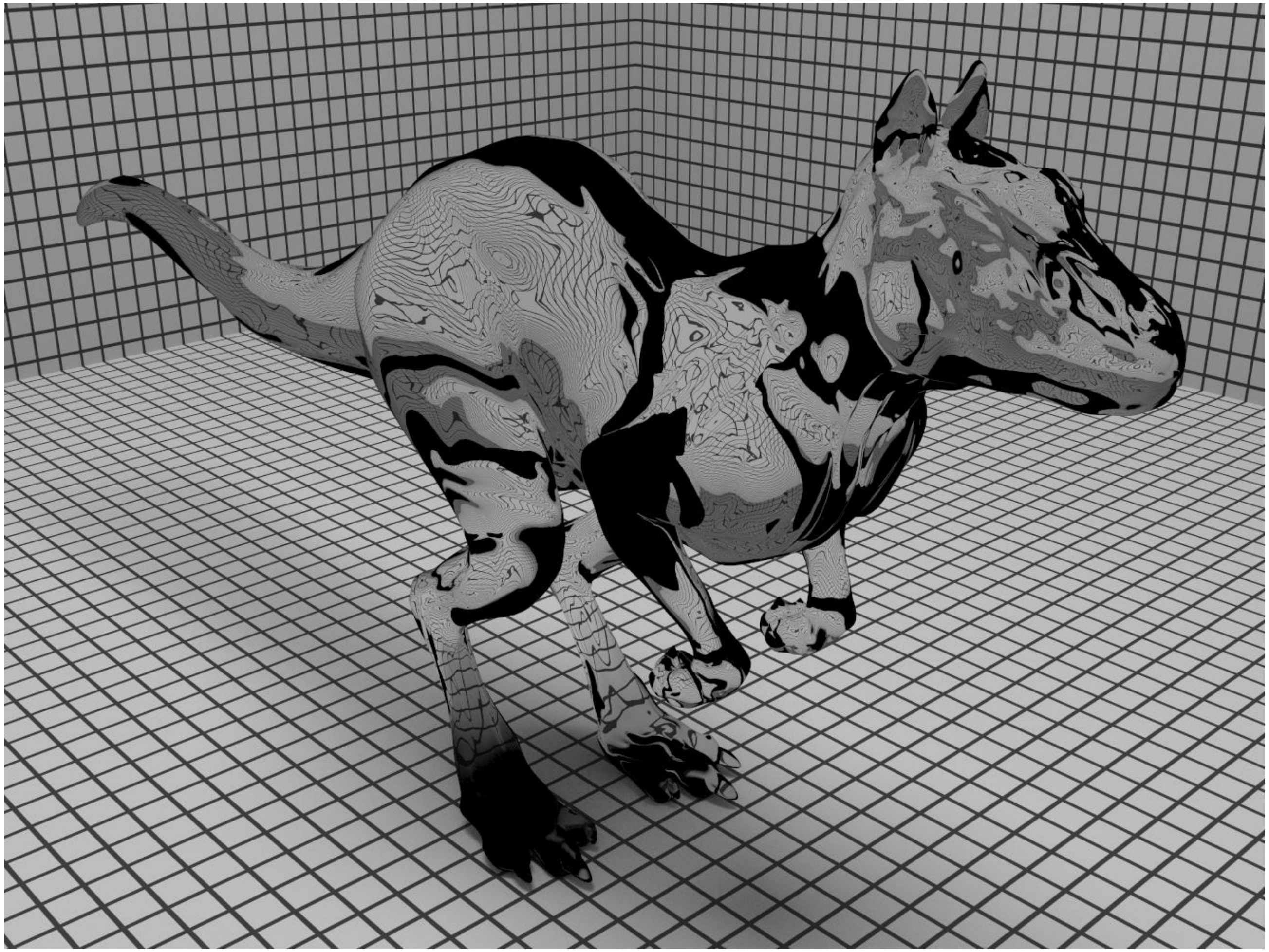
medium	Index of refraction
Vaccum	1.0
Air at sea level	1.00029
Ice	1.31
Water (20°C)	1.333
Fused quartz	1.46
Glass	1.5~1.6
Sapphire	1.77
Diamond	2.42

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)



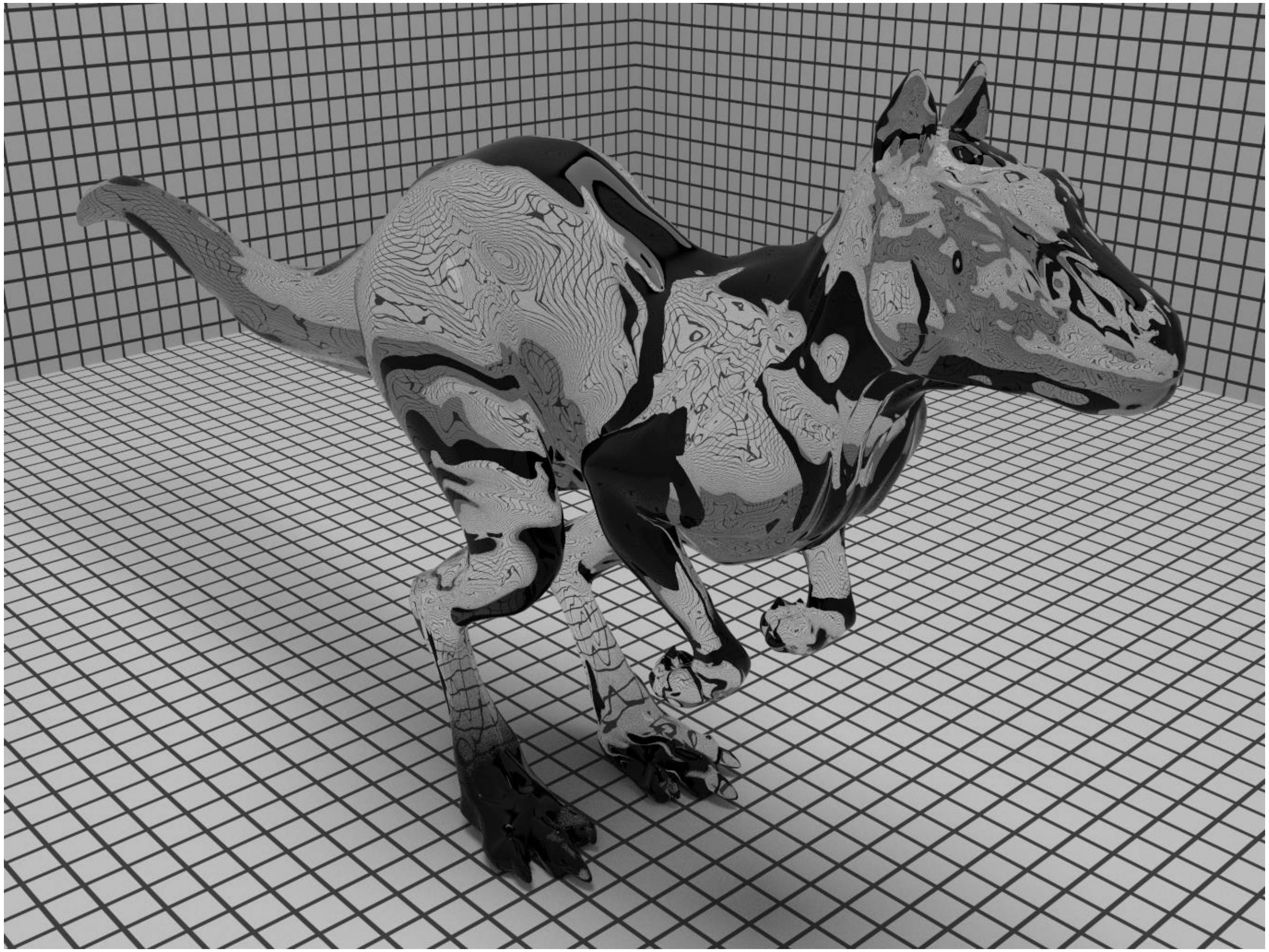
perfect specular refraction

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)



perfect specular transmission (refraction)

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)



Fresnel modulation

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Described by
  - **Microfacet distribution *D***
  - Geometric attenuation *G*
  - Fresnel reflection *F*

$$f_r(\omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i) = \frac{D(\omega_h) G(\omega_i, \omega_o) F(\omega_i, \omega_h)}{4 \cos\theta_i \cos\theta_o}$$

How many micro surfaces have this orientation

Commonly used distributions: Beckmann, GGX

$$D(\omega_h) = \frac{\alpha^2}{\pi \left((\mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_h)^2 (\alpha^2 - 1) + 1 \right)^2}$$

Torrance-Sparrow Model (cont.)

- Put it all together

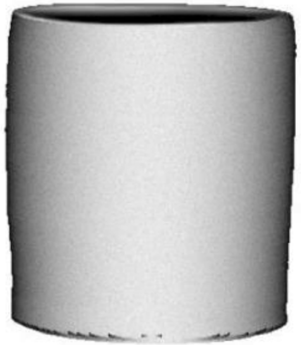
measured

Blinn-Phong

Cook-Torrance
(microfacet)

Oren-Nayar Model

- Many real-world materials such as concrete, sand and cloth are not real Lambertian
  - Specifically, rough surfaces generally appear brighter as the illumination direction approaches the viewing direction



Lambertian model

real image

- Assumption: a surface is composed of a collection of **perfectly Lambertian** grooves whose orientation angles follow a Gaussian distribution

Oren-Nayar Model (cont.)

$$f_r(\omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i) = \frac{\rho}{\pi}(A + B\max(0, \cos(\phi_i - \phi_o))\sin\alpha\tan\beta)$$

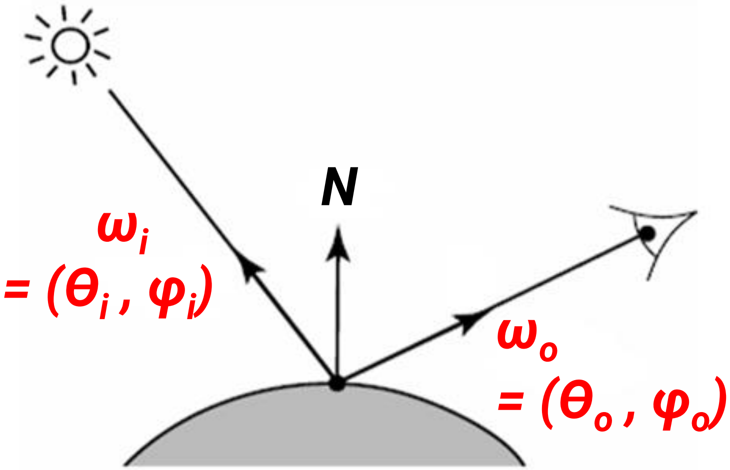
$$A = 1 - \frac{\sigma^2}{2(\sigma^2 + 0.33)}$$

σ: the standard deviation of Gaussian

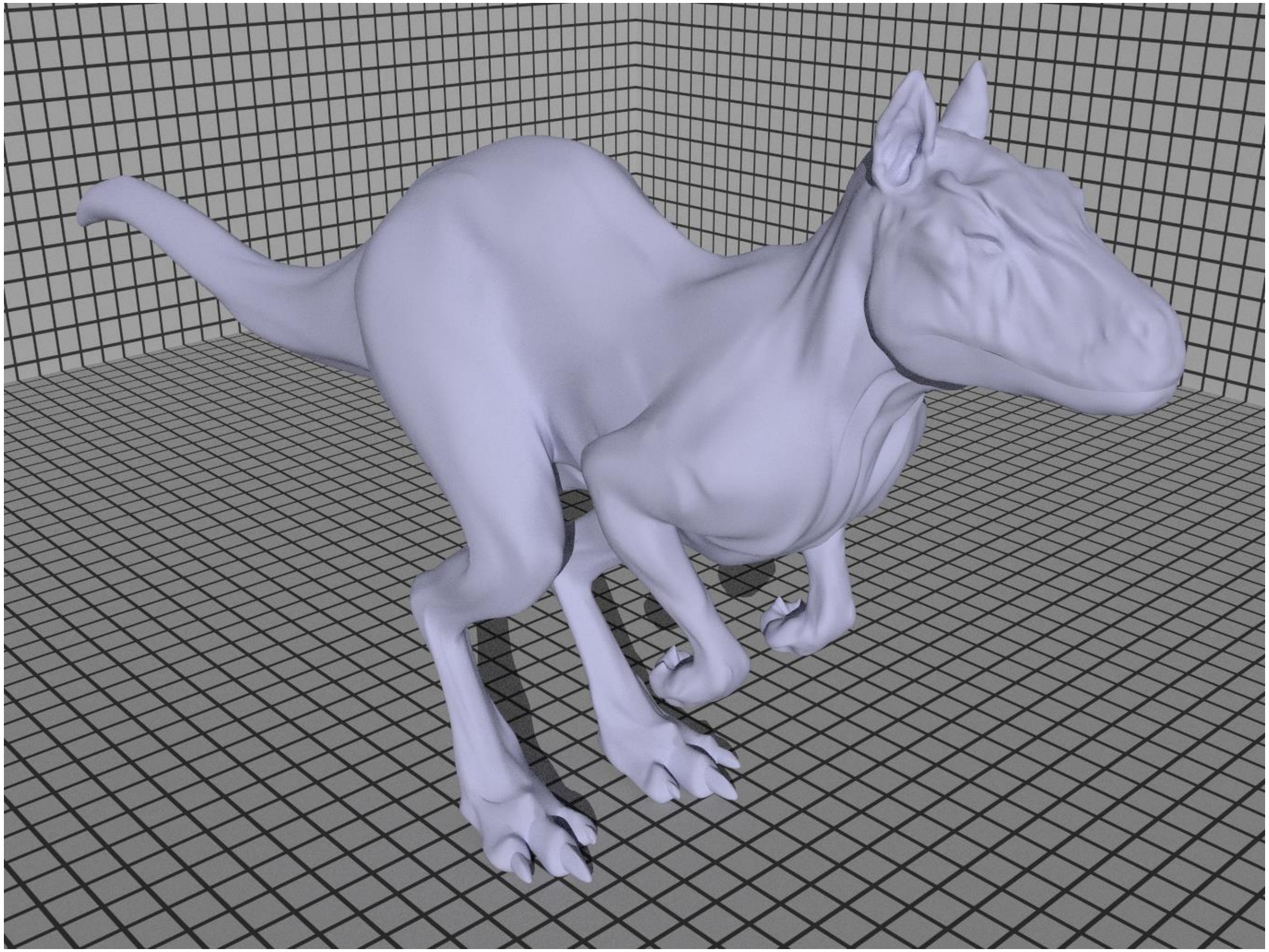
$$B = \frac{0.45\sigma^2}{\sigma^2 + 0.09}$$

$$\alpha = \max(\theta_i, \theta_o)$$

$$\beta = \min(\theta_i, \theta_o)$$

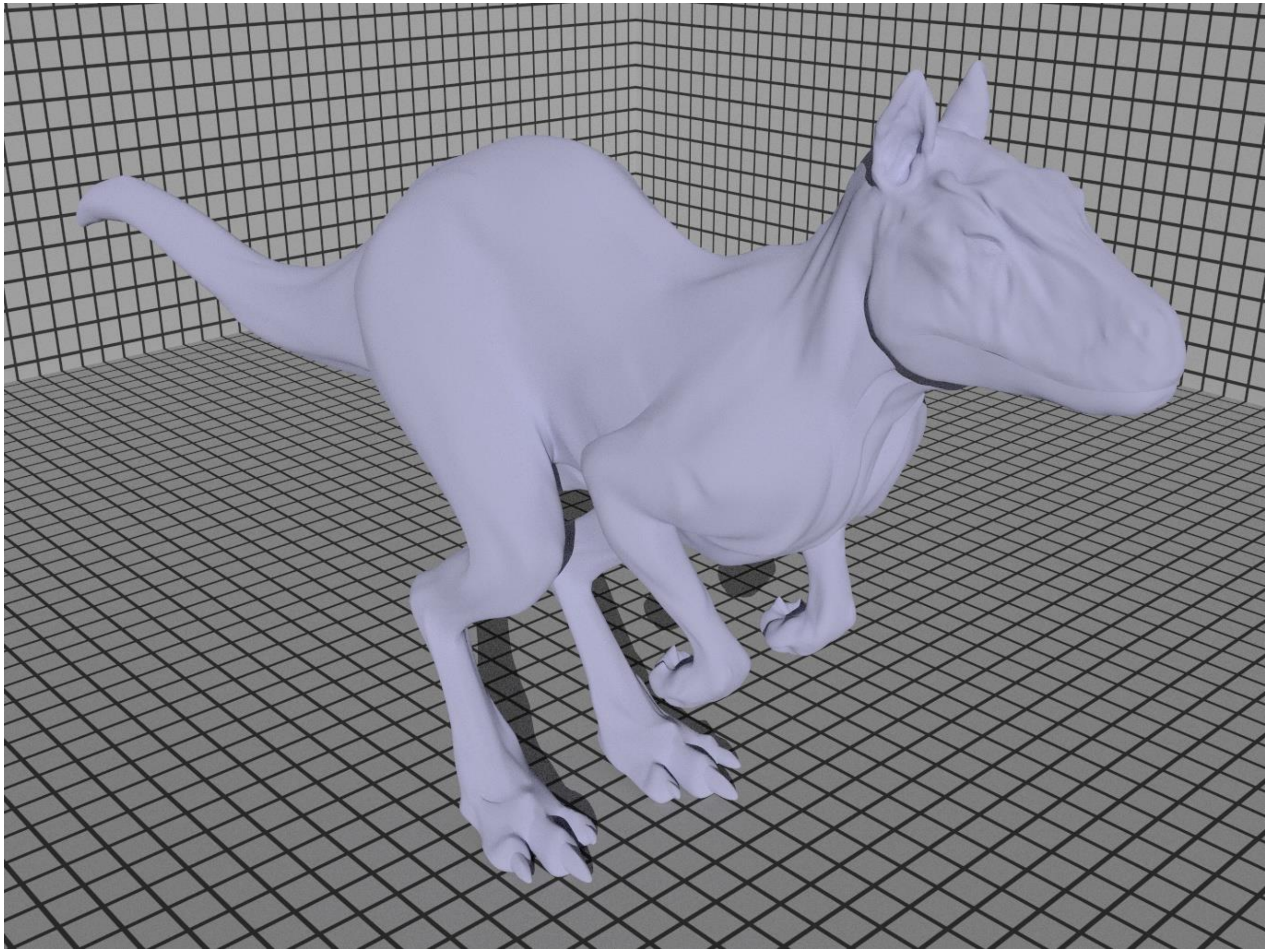


Oren-Nayar Model (cont.)



Lambertian model

Oren-Nayar Model (cont.)



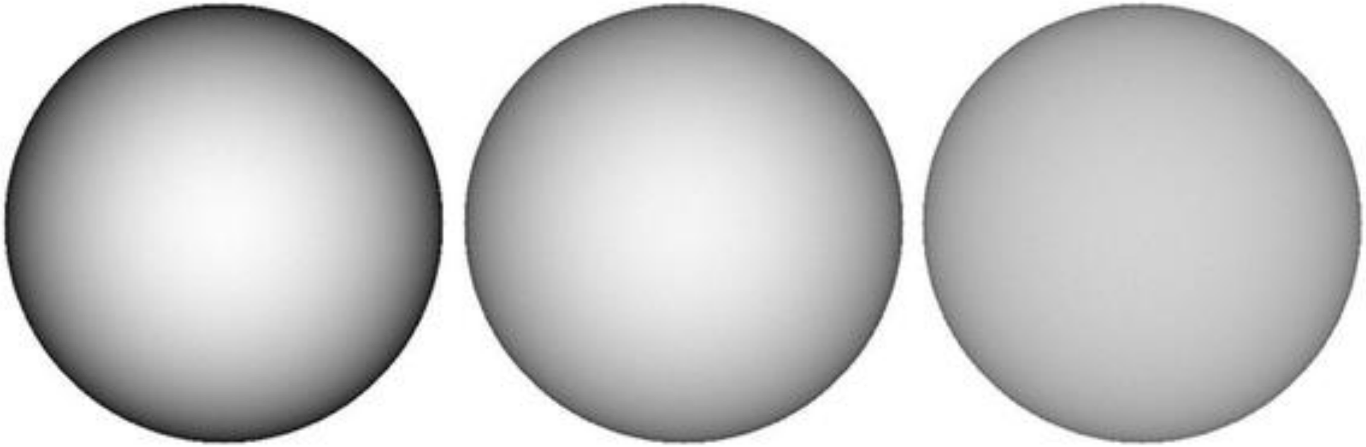
Oren-Nayar model

Oren-Nayar Model (cont.)

- When the standard deviation ***σ*** becomes zero, Oren-Nayar model is reduced to Lambertian model

$$f_r(\omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i) = \frac{\rho}{\pi}(A + B\max(0, \cos(\phi_i - \phi_o))\sin\alpha\tan\beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad f_r(\omega_o \leftarrow \omega_i) = \frac{\rho}{\pi}$$



$\sigma = 0$ $\sigma = 0.1$ $\sigma = 0.3$

Outline

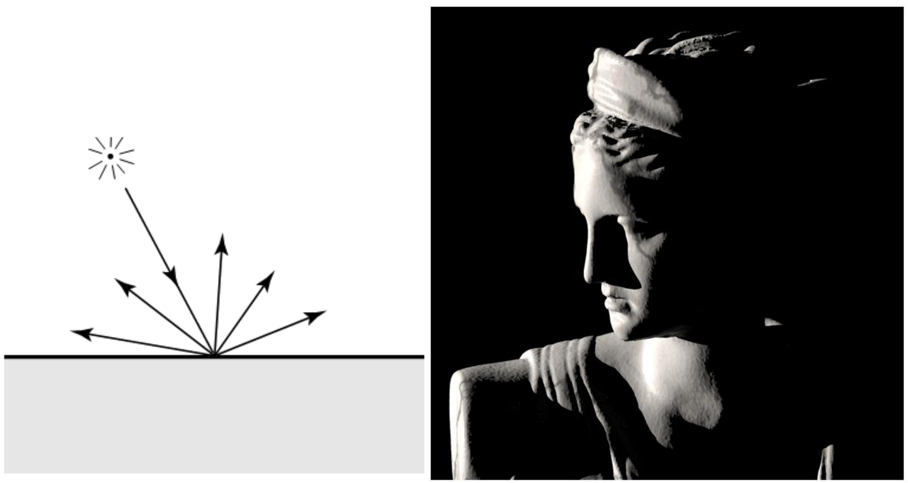
- Overview
- Microfacet Models
- **Materials beyond BRDFs**
- BRDFs for Production

Subsurface Scattering

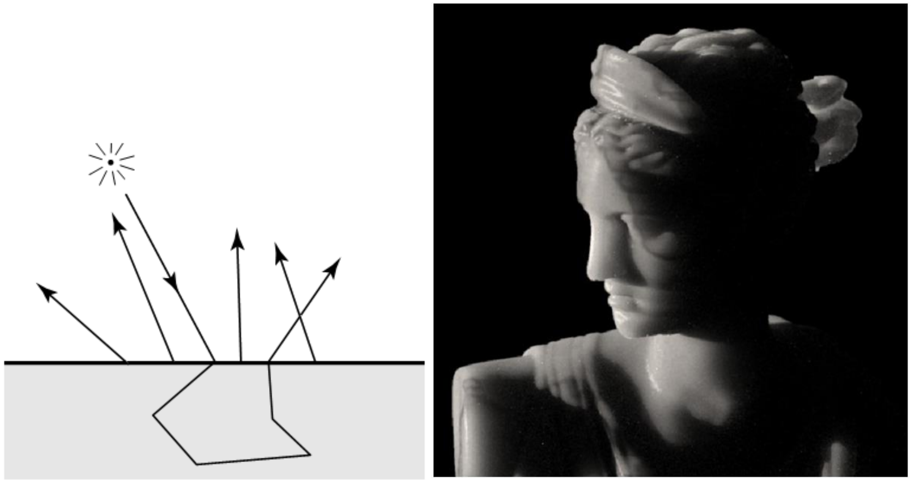
- Some materials interact with lights with a subsurface scattering process that **allows lights to enter and scatter within a medium**
- It gives objects a distinct soft look

BSSRDF

- BRDF v.s. BSSRDF

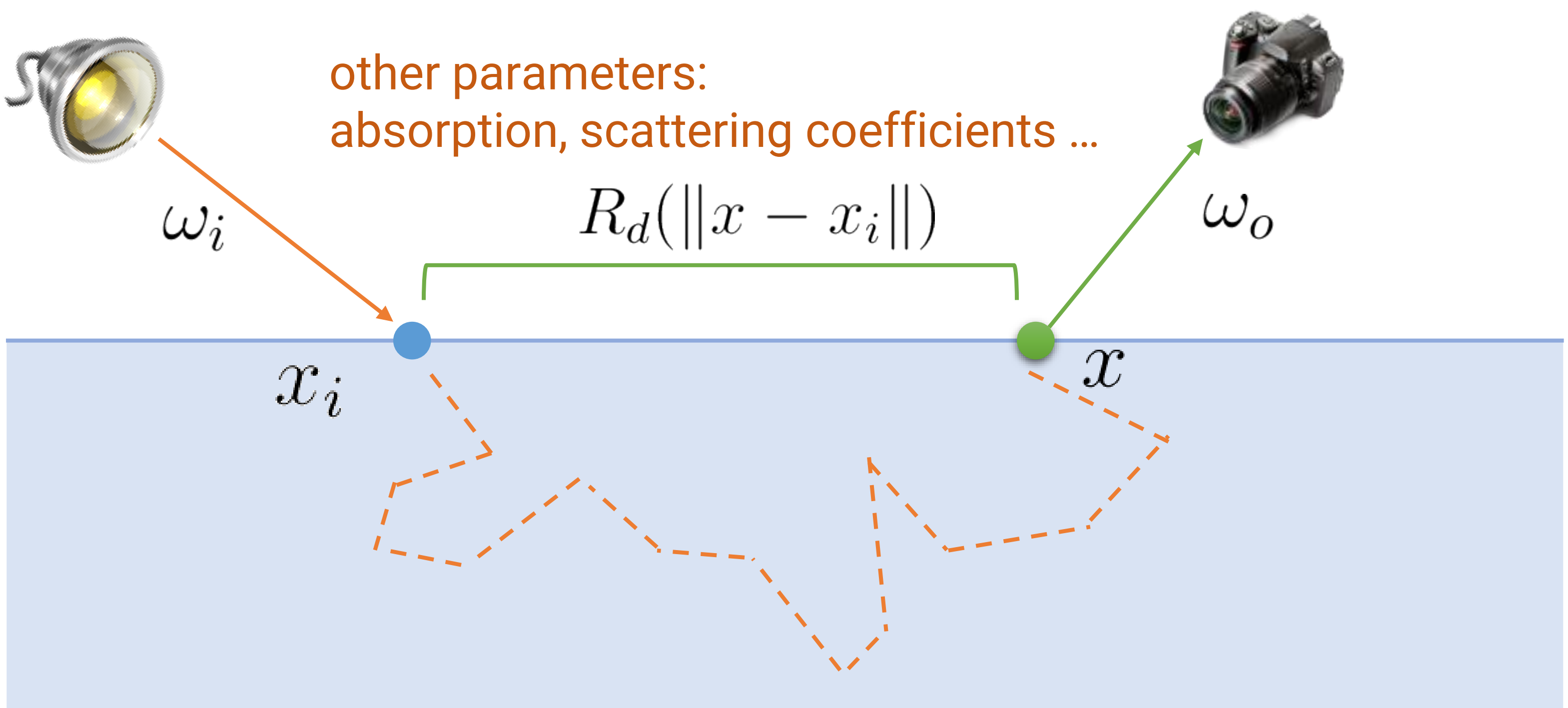


Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function **(BRDF)**



Bidirectional Subsurface Scattering Reflectance Distribution Function **(BSSRDF)**

Approximate BSSRDF with Dipole



$$S(x, \omega_o; x_i, \omega_i) = S^1(x, \omega_o; x_i, \omega_i) + S^d(x, \omega_o; x_i, \omega_i)$$

$$S^d(x, \omega_o; x_i, \omega_i) = \frac{1}{\pi} F_t(\eta, \omega_o) R_d(\|x - x_i\|) F_t(\eta, \omega_i)$$

"A Practical Model for Subsurface Light Transport", Jensen et al. 2001

Outline

- Overview
- Microfacet Models
- Materials beyond BRDFs
- **BRDFs for Production**

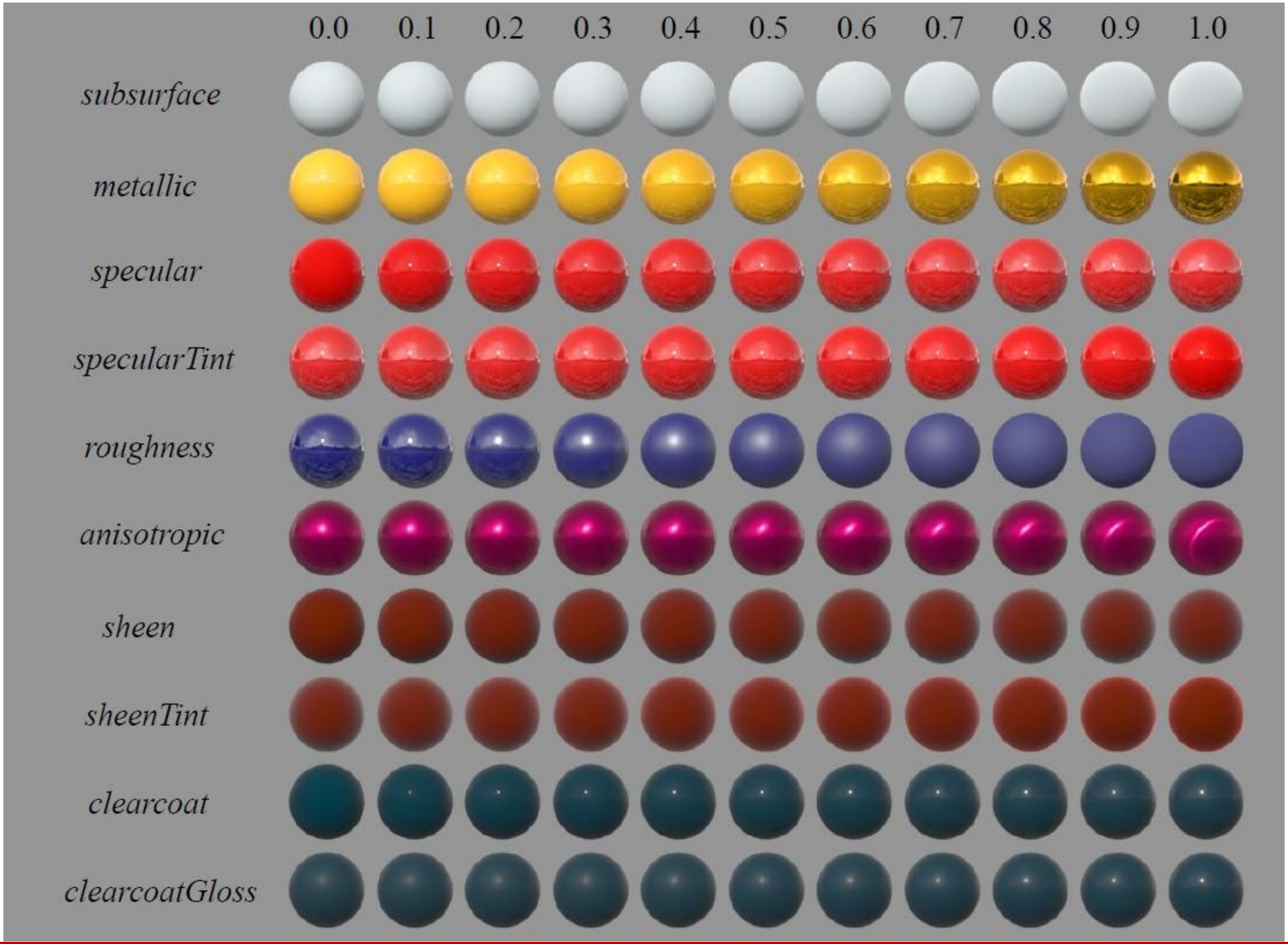
Disney Principled BRDF

- **Phenomenological models**
  - More intuitive parameters; however, not accurate
- **Geometric optics**
  - More accurate but difficult to use by artists
- **Disney Principled BRDF** would like to combine the advantages of both models!
  - Represent a physically-based model (based on the Microfacet model) with few intuitive parameters
  - Each parameter has a range between [0, 1]
  - https://disneyanimation.com/publications/physically-based-shading-at-disney/

Disney Principled BRDF (cont.)

- Proposed when producing the movie, **Wreck-It Ralph** (2012)
  - Also used by the **Unity** and **Unreal** engine

Disney Principled BRDF (cont.)



Disney Principled BRDF (cont.)

- Code: https://github.com/wdas/brdf/blob/main/src/brdfs/disney.brdf

$$
\begin{aligned}
f_{\text{disney}}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o) = {} & (1-\sigma_m)\left(\frac{C}{\pi}\text{mix}(\underbrace{f_d(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o)}_{\text{diffuse}}, \underbrace{f_{ss}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o)}_{\text{subsurface}}, \sigma_{ss}) + \underbrace{f_{sh}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o)}_{\text{sheen}}\right) \\
& + \frac{F_s(\theta_d)G_s(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o)D_s(\boldsymbol{\omega}_h)}{4\cos\theta_i\cos\theta_o} \quad \text{specular} \\
& + \frac{\sigma_c}{4}\frac{F_c(\theta_d)G_c(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o)D_c(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o)}{4\cos\theta_i\cos\theta_o} \quad \text{clearcoat}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
f_d(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o) &= (1+(F_{D90}-1)(1-\cos\theta_i)^5)(1+(F_{D90}-1)(1-\cos\theta_o)^5) \\
F_{D90} &= 0.5 + 2\cos^2\theta_d\sigma_r
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
f_{ss}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o) &= 1.25(F_{ss}(1/(\cos\theta_i+\cos\theta_o)-0.5)+0.5) \\
F_{ss} &= (1+(F_{ss90}-1)(1-\cos\theta_i)^5)(1+(F_{ss90}-1)(1-\cos\theta_o)^5) \\
F_{ss90} &= \cos^2\theta_d\sigma_r
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
f_{sh}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o) &= \text{mix}(\text{one}, C_{tint}, \sigma_{sht})\sigma_{sh}(1-\cos\theta_d)^5 \\
C_{tint} &= \frac{C}{\text{lum}(C)}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
F_s(\theta_d) &= C_s + (1-C_s)(1-\cos\theta_d)^5 \\
C_s &= \text{mix}(0.08\sigma_s\text{mix}(\text{one}, C_{tint}, \sigma_{st}), C, \sigma_m)
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
G_s(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o) = G_{s1}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i)G_{s1}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_o)
$$

$$
D_s(\boldsymbol{\omega}_h) = \frac{1}{\pi\alpha_x\alpha_y\left(\sin^2\theta_h\left(\frac{\cos^2\phi}{\alpha_x^2}+\frac{\sin^2\phi}{\alpha_y^2}\right)+\cos^2\theta_h\right)^2}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
F_c(\theta_d) &= 0.04 + 0.96(1-\cos\theta_d)^5 \\
G_c(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i,\boldsymbol{\omega}_o) &= G_{c1}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i)G_{c1}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_o) \\
D_c(\boldsymbol{\omega}_h) &= \frac{\alpha^2-1}{2\pi\ln\alpha(\alpha^2\cos^2\theta_h+\sin^2\theta_h)}
\end{aligned}
$$


END OF PRESENTATION
ANY QUESTIONS?