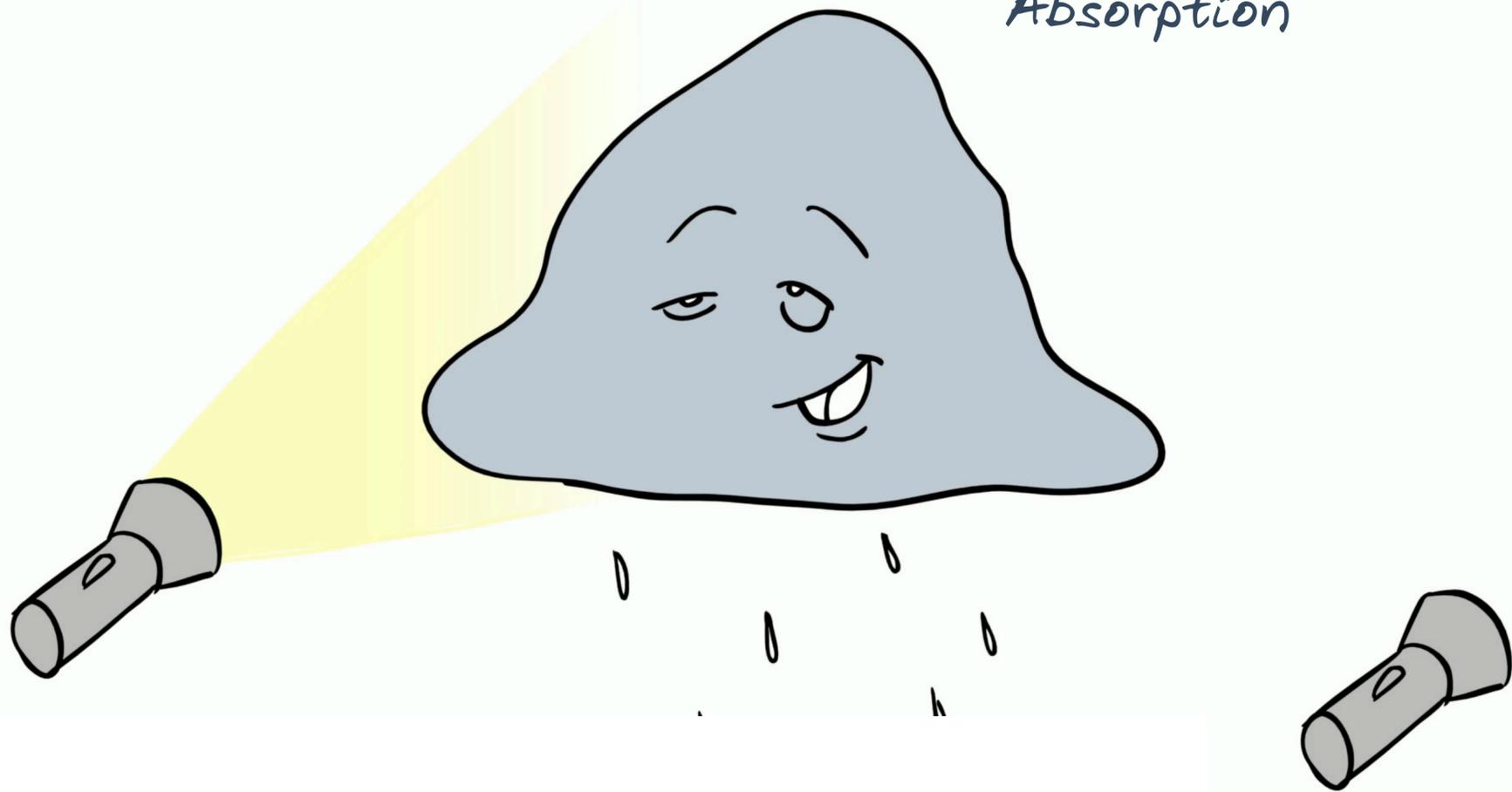


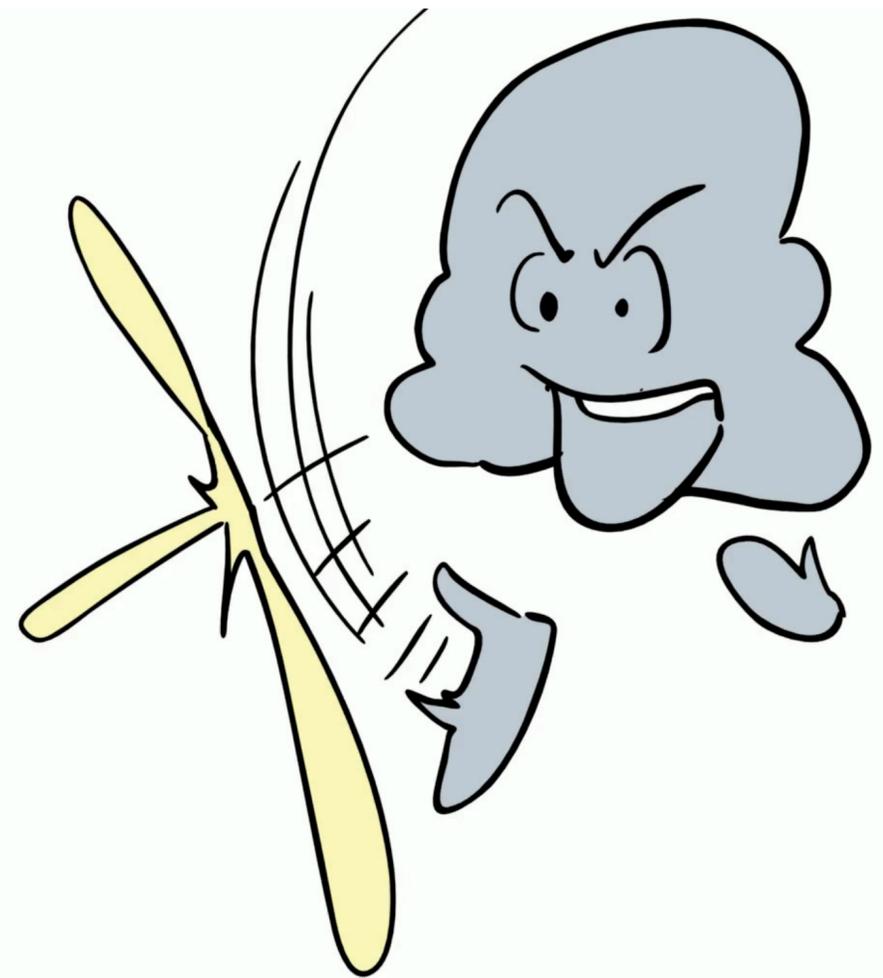
# FUNDAMENTALS

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Absorption



Scattering



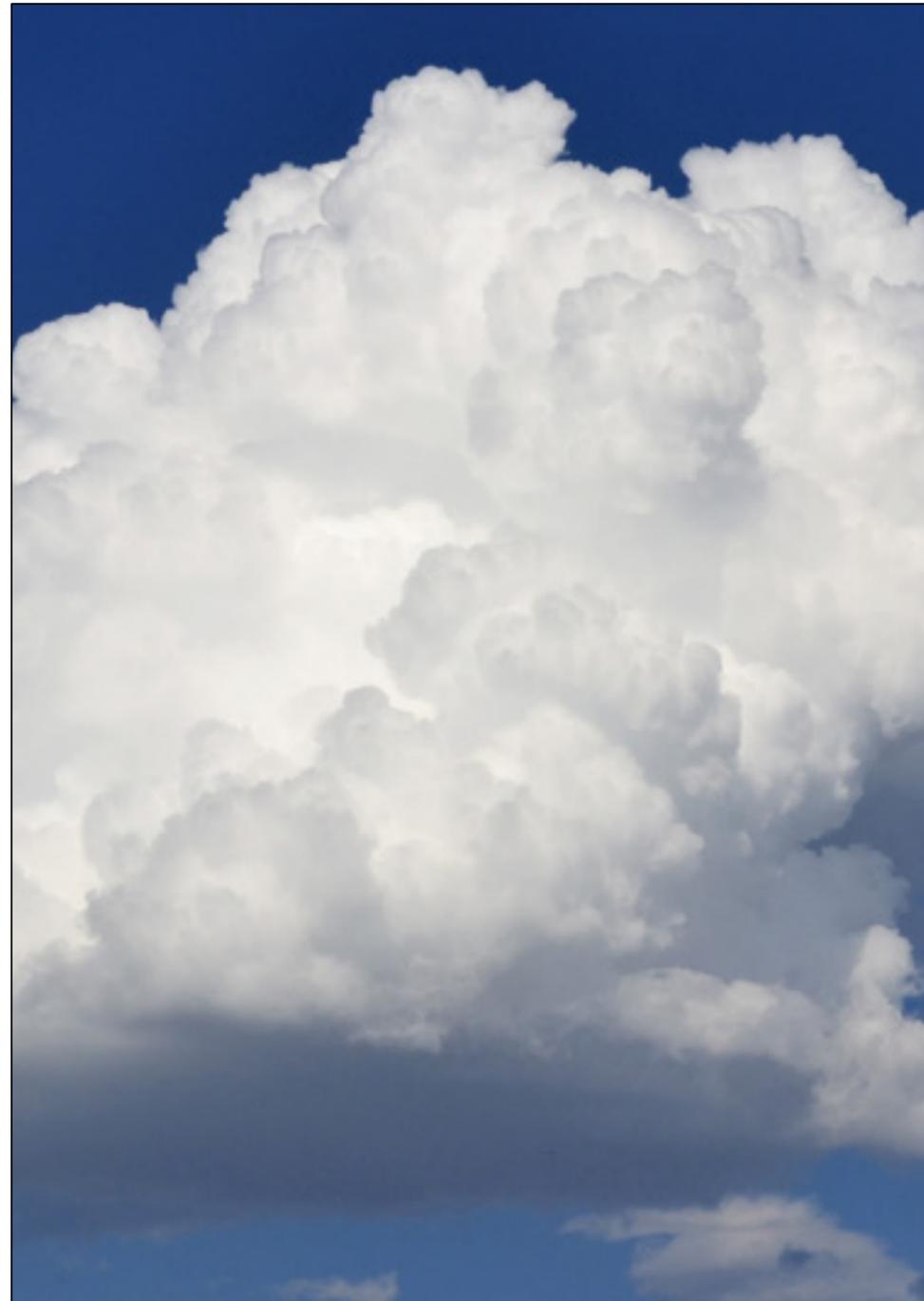
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*Absorption*



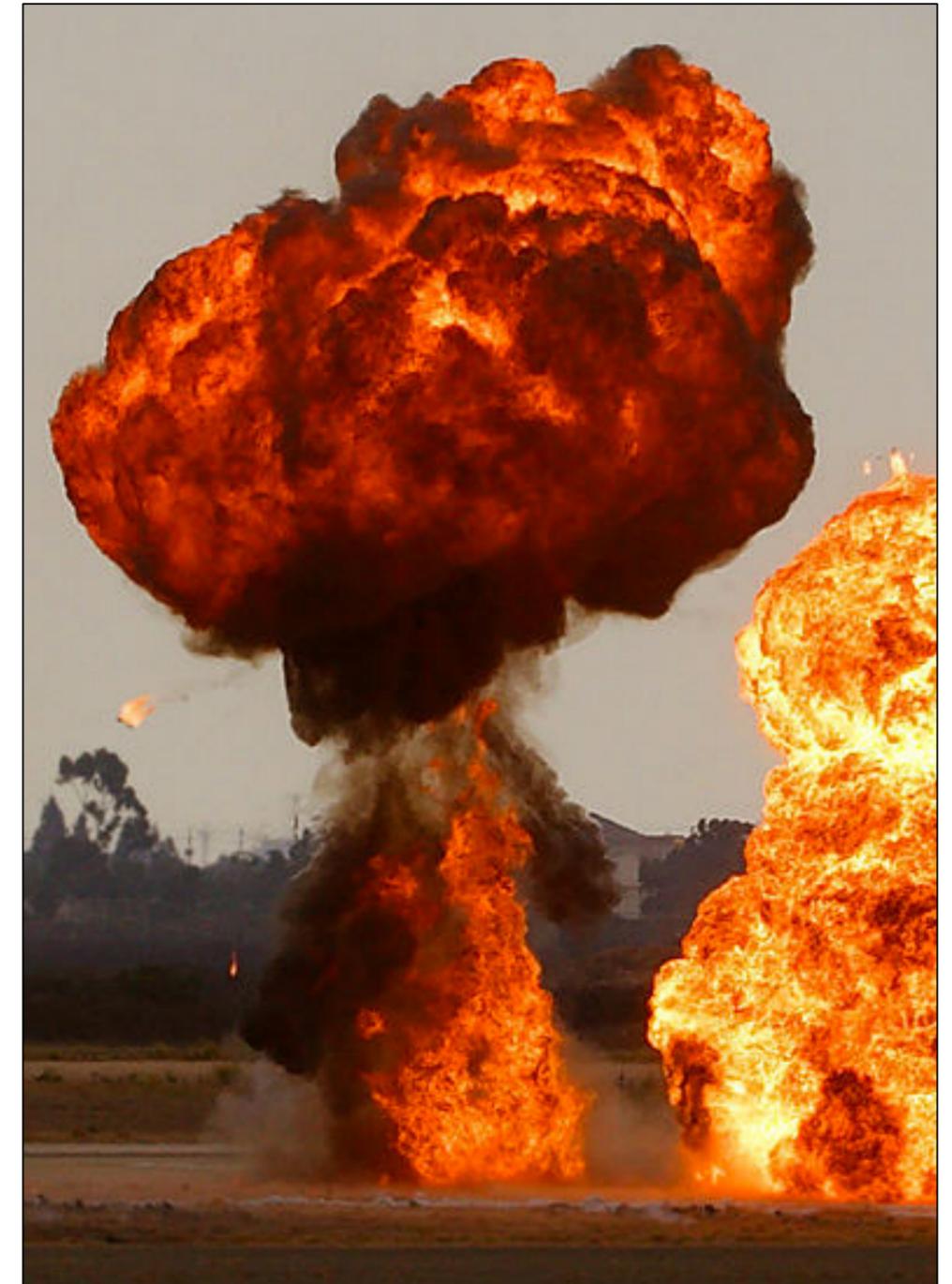
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*Scattering*



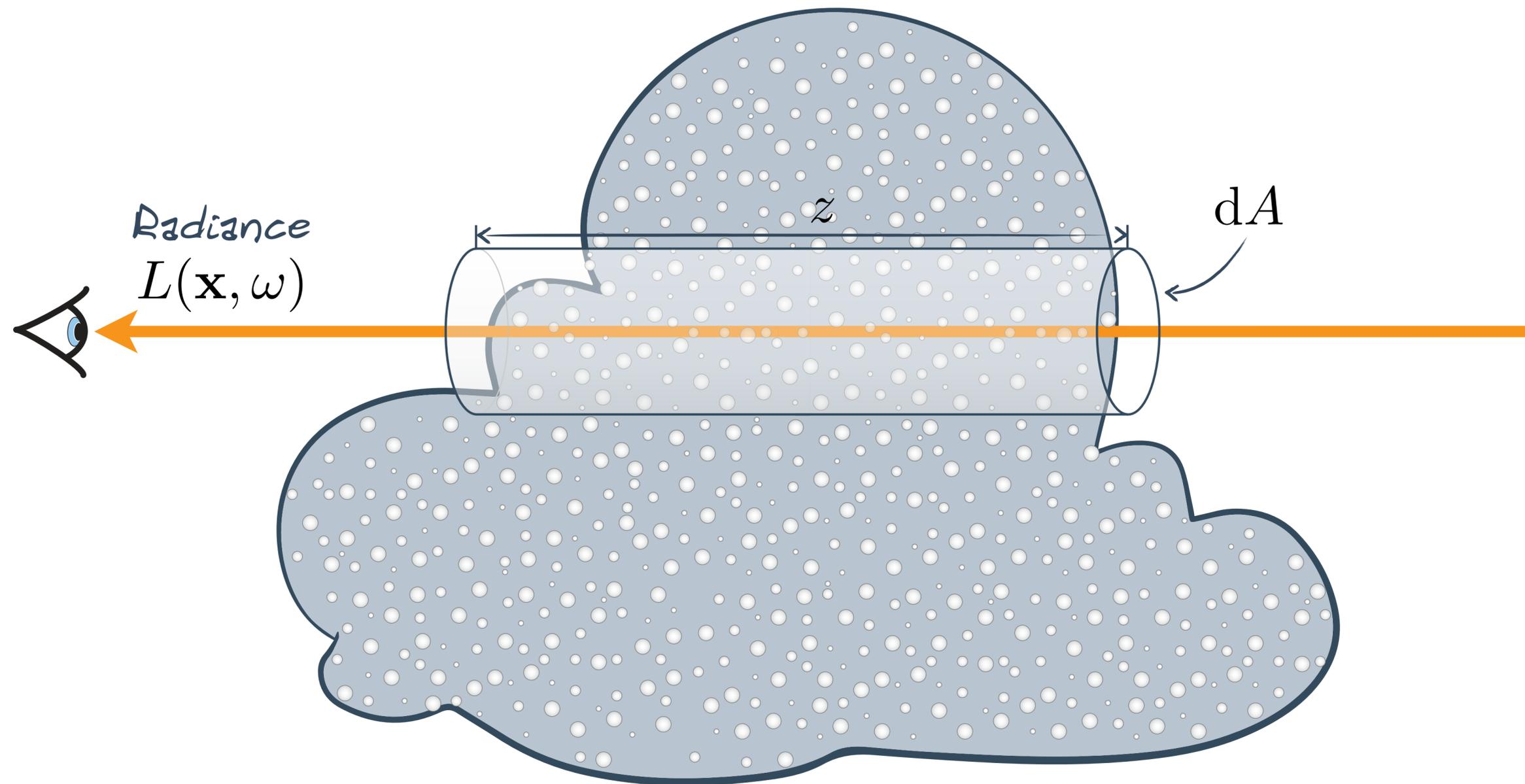
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*Emission*

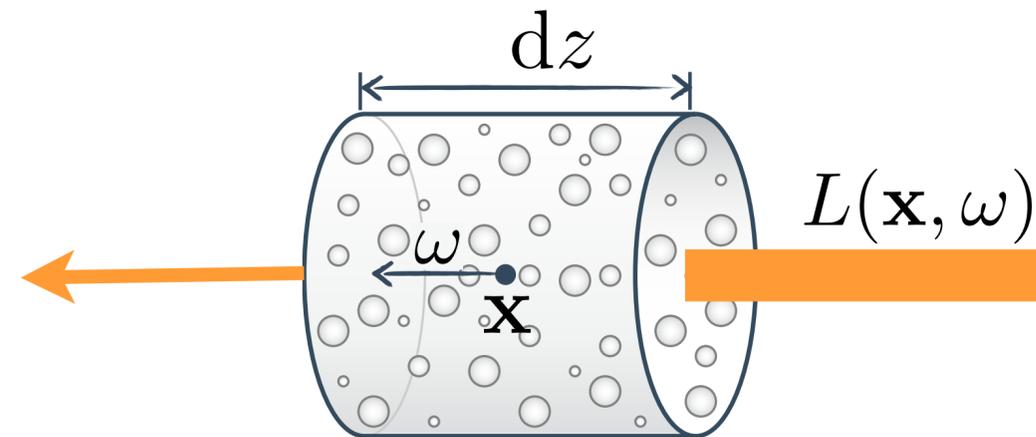


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# RADIATIVE TRANSFER



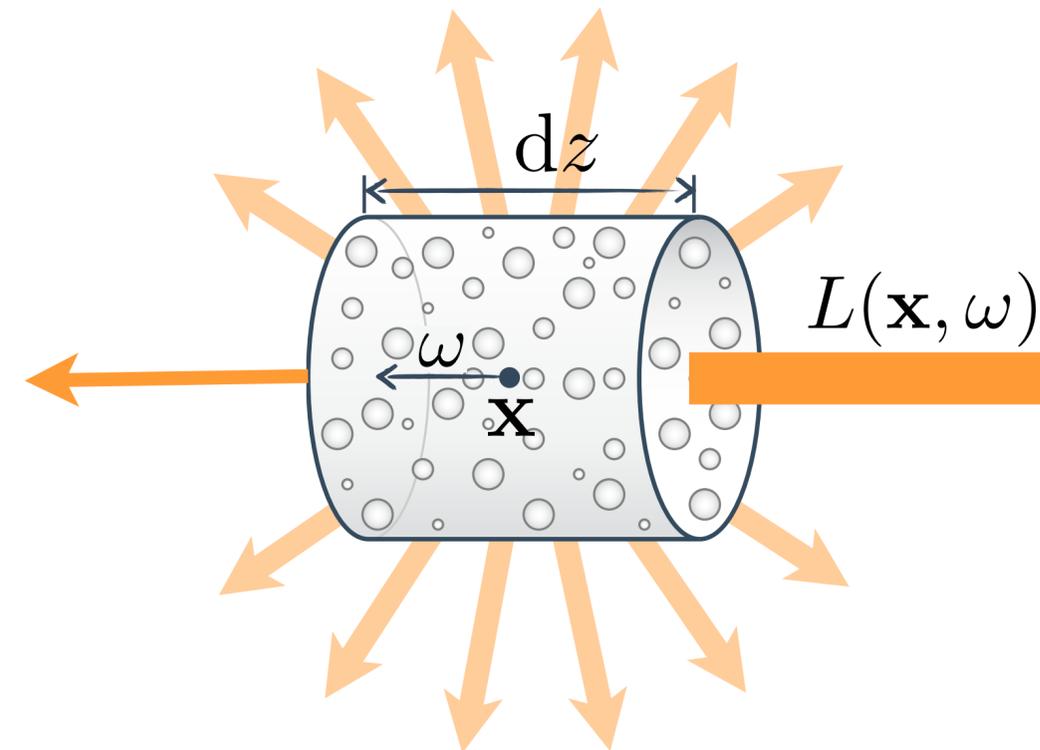
# ABSORPTION



$$\frac{dL}{dz} = -\mu_a(\mathbf{x})L(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$$

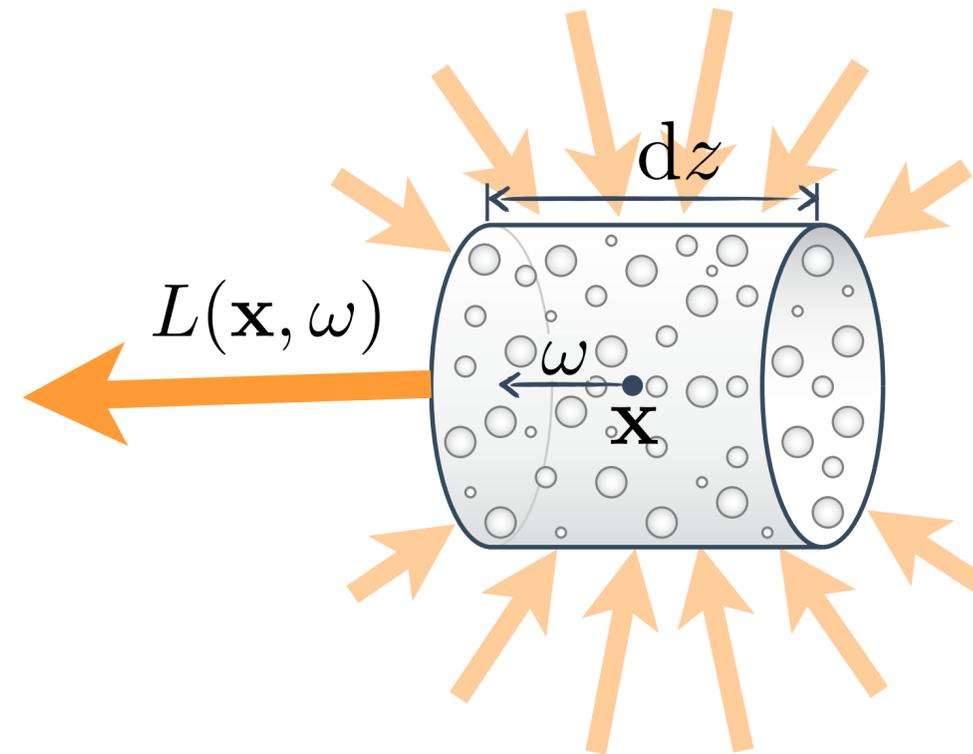
$\mu_a$  - absorption coefficient

# OUT-SCATTERING



$$\frac{dL}{dz} = -\mu_s(\mathbf{x})L(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$$

$\mu_s$  - scattering coefficient



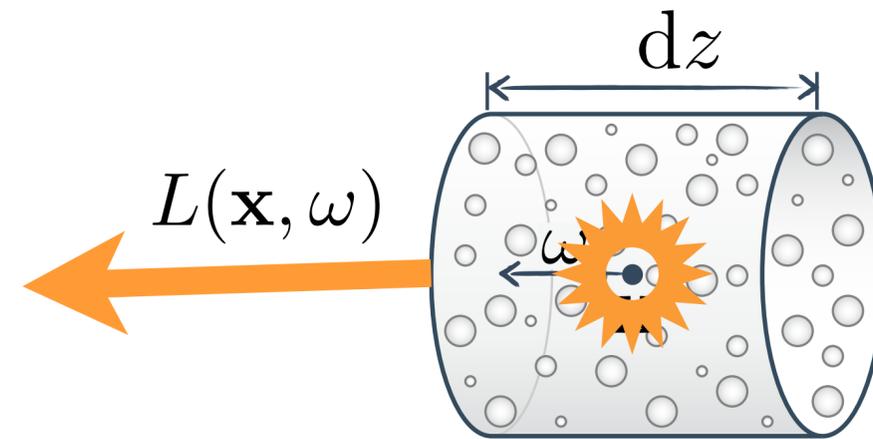
$$\frac{dL}{dz} = \mu_s(\mathbf{x}) L_s(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$$

*In-scattered radiance*

$$L_s(\mathbf{y}, \omega) = \int_{S^2} f_p(\omega, \bar{\omega}) L(\mathbf{y}, \bar{\omega}) d\bar{\omega}$$

$\mu_s$  - scattering coefficient

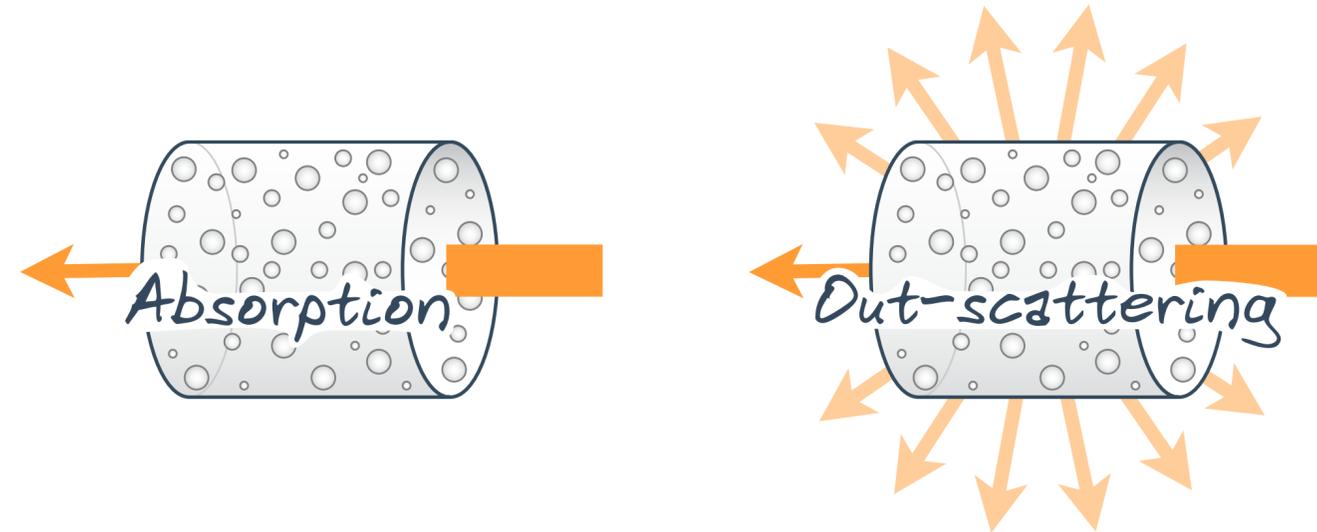
# EMISSION



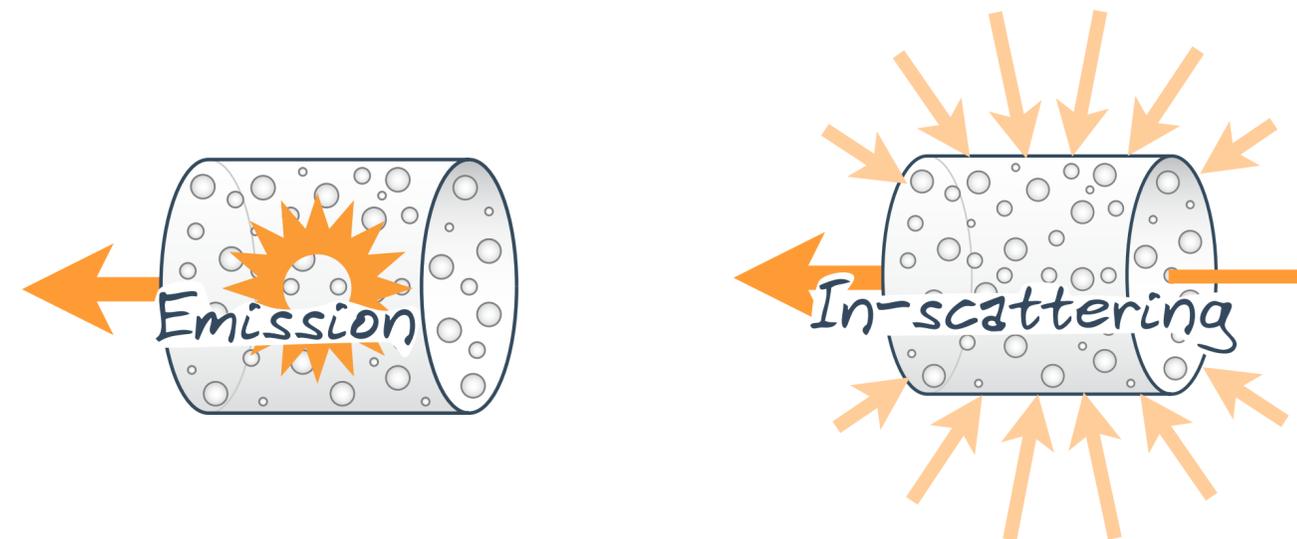
$$\frac{dL}{dz} = \mu_a(\mathbf{x}) L_e(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$$

$L_e$  - emitted radiance

# RADIATIVE TRANSFER EQUATION



$$\frac{dL(\mathbf{x}, \omega)}{dz} = -\mu_a(\mathbf{x})L(\mathbf{x}, \omega) - \mu_s(\mathbf{x})L(\mathbf{x}, \omega) + \mu_a(\mathbf{x})L_e(\mathbf{x}, \omega) + \mu_s(\mathbf{x})L_s(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$$



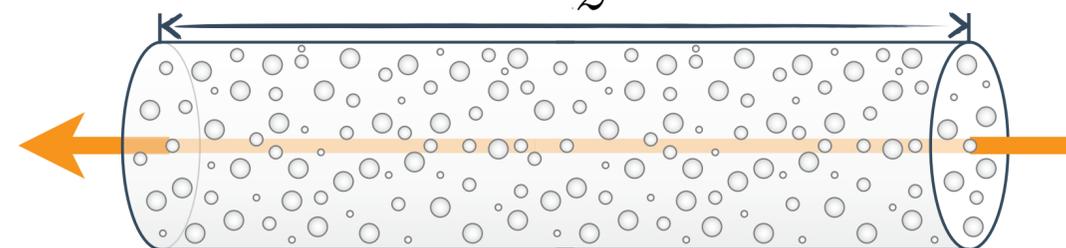
[Chandrasekhar 1960]

# RADIATIVE TRANSFER EQUATION

Extinction coefficient  $\mu_t(\mathbf{x}) = \mu_a(\mathbf{x}) + \mu_s(\mathbf{x})$

$$\frac{dL(\mathbf{x}, \omega)}{dz} = \boxed{-\mu_t(\mathbf{x})L(\mathbf{x}, \omega) \text{ Losses}}$$
$$\boxed{+\mu_a(\mathbf{x})L_e(\mathbf{x}, \omega) + \mu_s(\mathbf{x})L_s(\mathbf{x}, \omega) \text{ Gains}}$$

What about a finite-length beam?

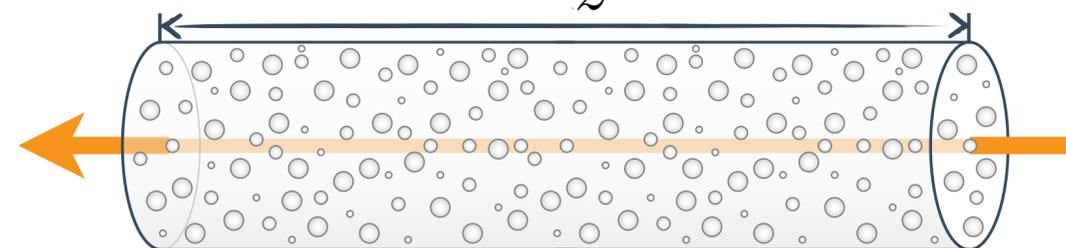


[Chandrasekhar 1960]

# RTE – INTEGRAL FORM

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \omega) = \int_0^z T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \left[ \mu_a(\mathbf{y}) L_e(\mathbf{y}, \omega) + \mu_s(\mathbf{y}) L_s(\mathbf{y}, \omega) \right] dy$$

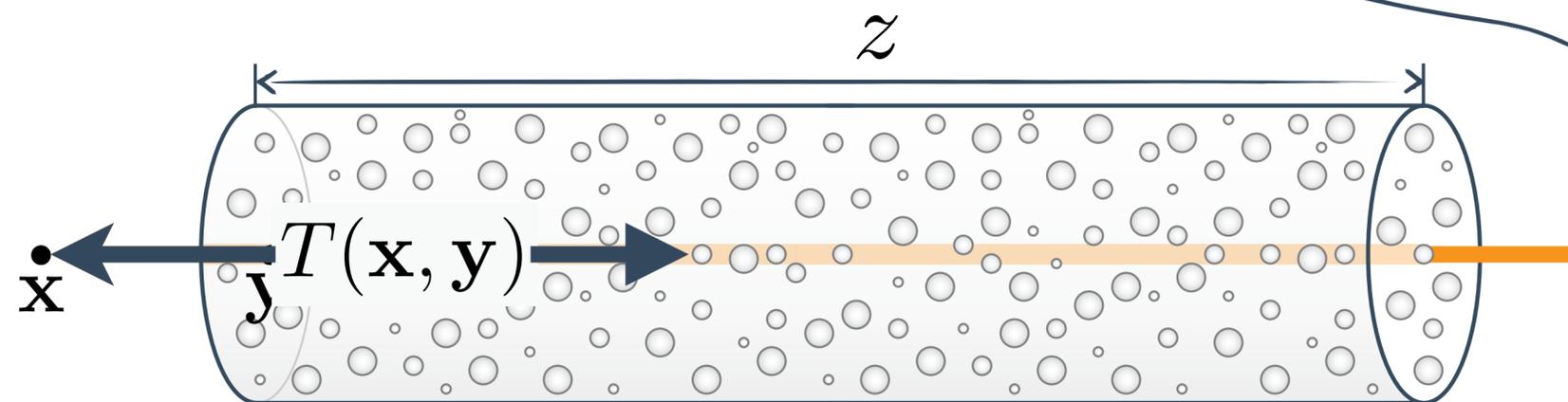
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Transmittance  $T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = e^{-\int_0^y \mu_t(\mathbf{s}) ds}$  is the fraction of light that makes it from  $y$  to  $x$

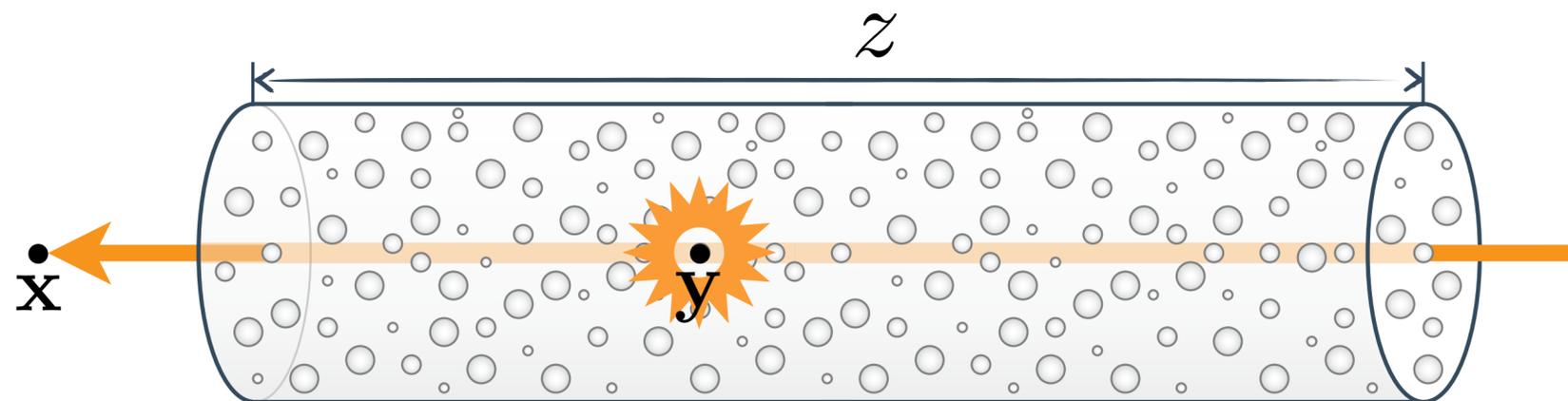


Optical thickness

$$\tau(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \int_0^y \mu_t(\mathbf{s}) ds$$

# RTE – INTEGRAL FORM

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \omega) = \int_0^z T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \left[ \underbrace{\mu_a(\mathbf{y}) L_e(\mathbf{y}, \omega)}_{\text{Emission}} + \mu_s(\mathbf{y}) L_s(\mathbf{y}, \omega) \right] d\mathbf{y}$$



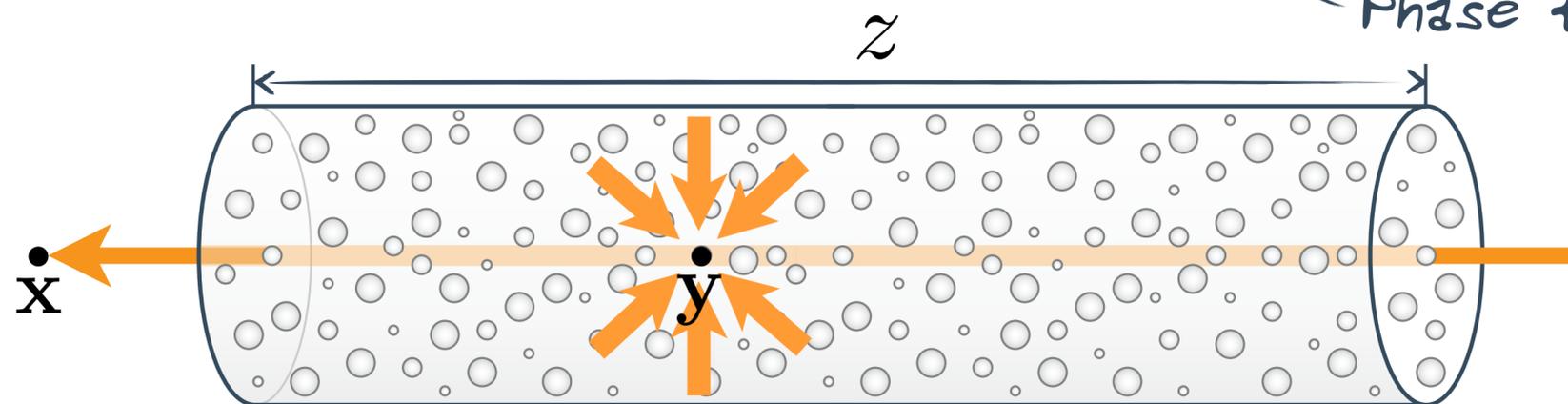
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*In-scattering*

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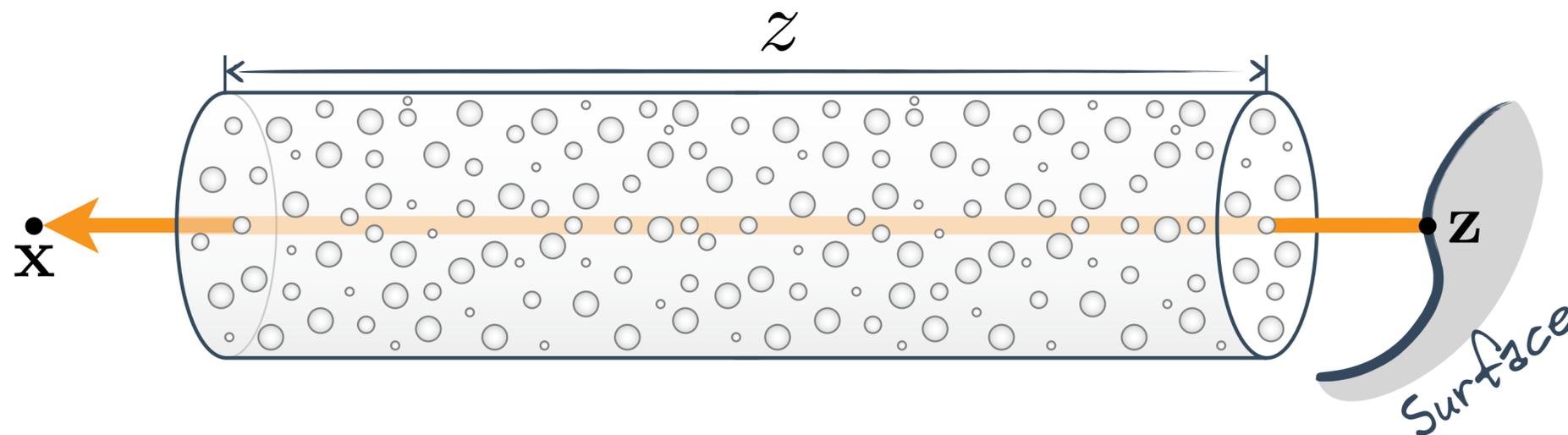
*Phase function*



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$$+ T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) L_o(\mathbf{z}, \omega)$$

*Background radiance*



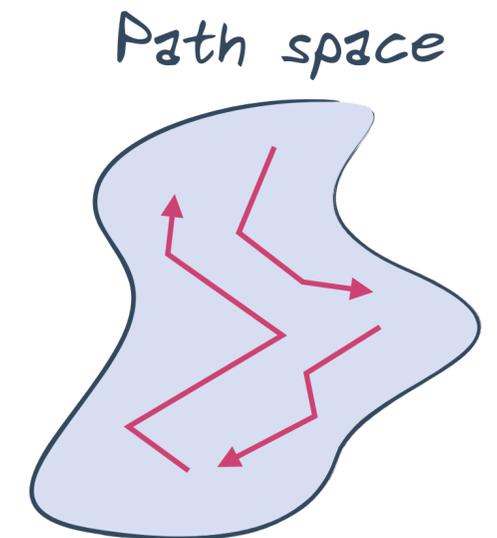
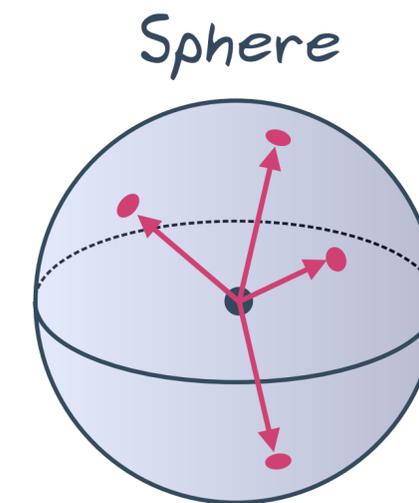
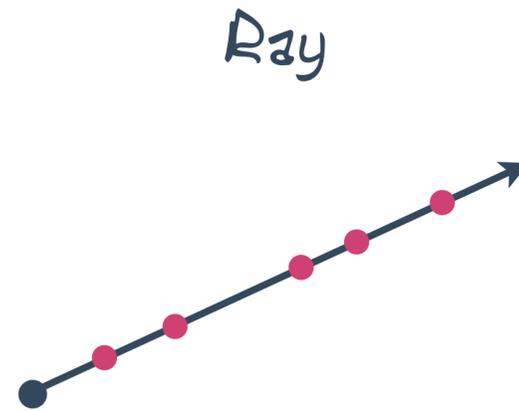
# VOLUME RENDERING EQUATION

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \omega) = \int_0^z T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \left[ \mu_a(\mathbf{y}) L_e(\mathbf{y}, \omega) + \mu_s(\mathbf{y}) L_s(\mathbf{y}, \omega) \right] dy \\ + T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) L_o(\mathbf{z}, \omega)$$

*How do we solve it?*

# MONTE CARLO INTEGRATION

$$F = \int_{\mathcal{D}} f(x) dx$$



$$\langle F \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{f(x_i)}{p(x_i)}$$

Probability density function (PDF)

$$\langle L(\mathbf{x}, \omega) \rangle = \frac{T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}{p(y)} \left[ \mu_a(\mathbf{y}) L_e(\mathbf{y}, \omega) + \mu_s(\mathbf{y}) L_s(\mathbf{y}, \omega) \right] + \frac{T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})}{P(z)} L_o(\mathbf{z}, \omega)$$

$p(y)$  - probability density of distance  $y$

$P(z)$  - probability of exceeding distance  $z$

# VRE ESTIMATOR

$$\langle L(\mathbf{x}, \omega) \rangle = \frac{T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}{p(\mathbf{y})} \left[ \mu_a(\mathbf{y}) L_e(\mathbf{y}, \omega) + \mu_s(\mathbf{y}) L_s(\mathbf{y}, \omega) \right] + \frac{T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})}{P(z)} L_o(\mathbf{z}, \omega)$$

*Transmittance estimation*

*Distance sampling*