

Portal-Masked Environment Map Sampling

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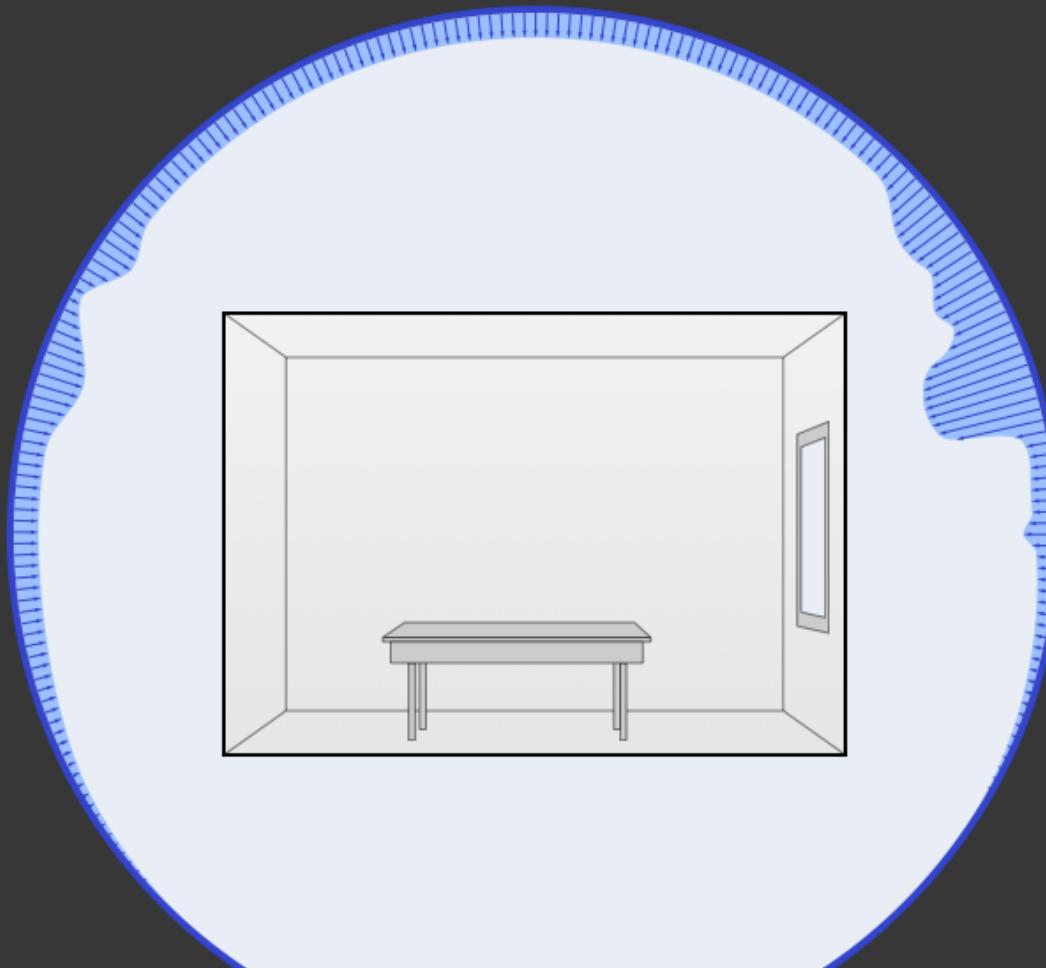
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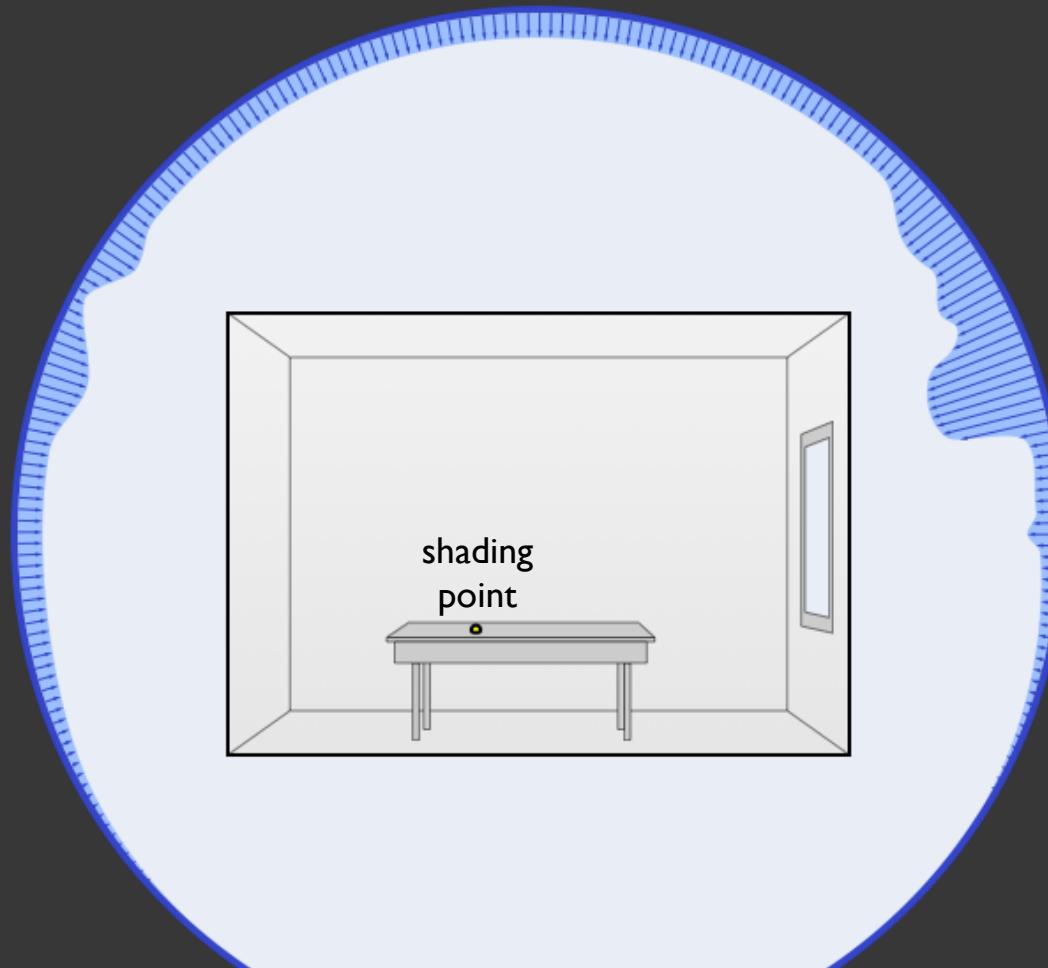
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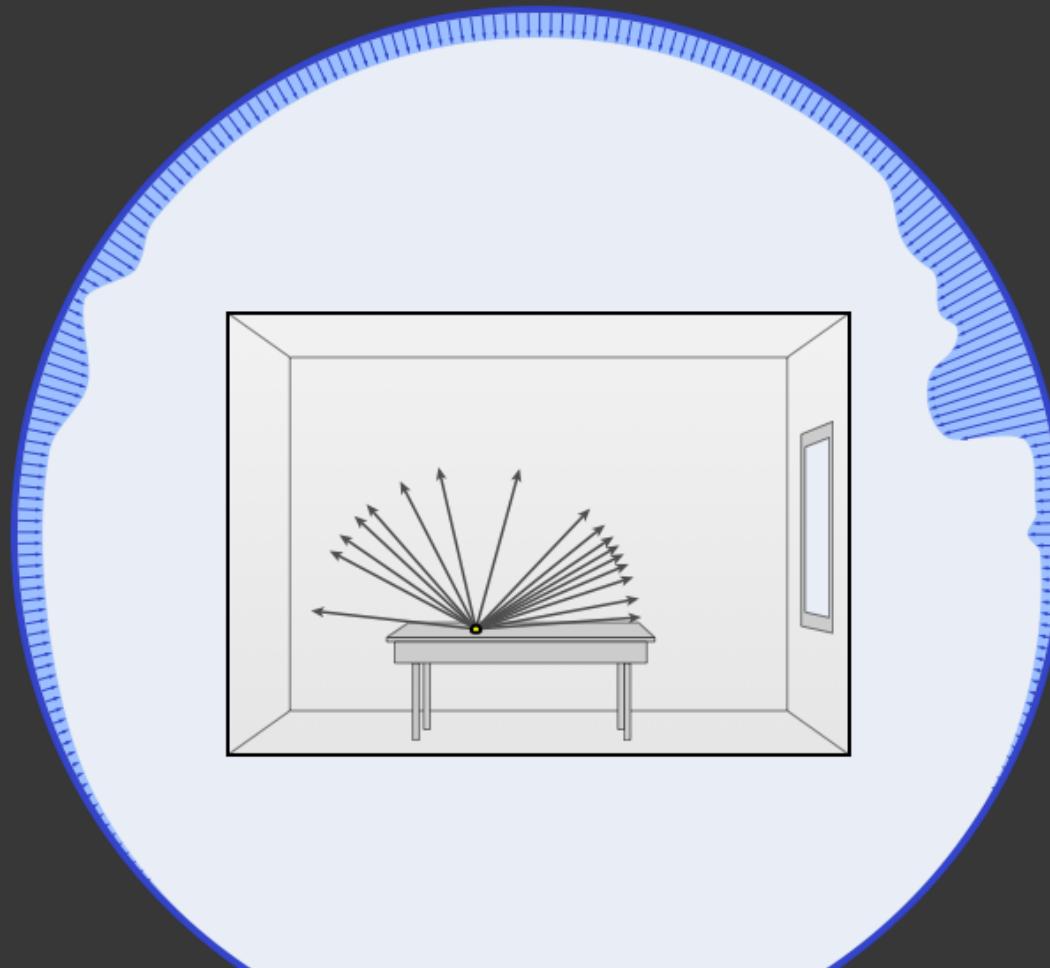
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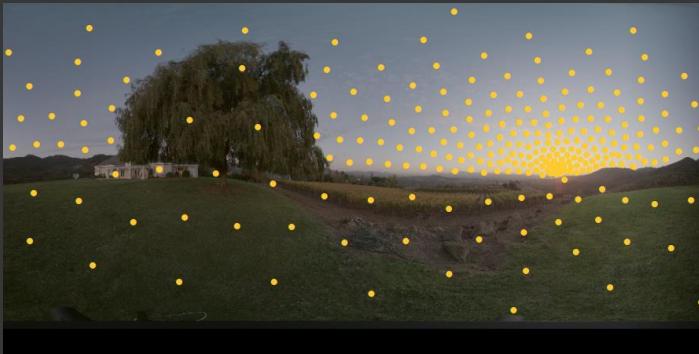


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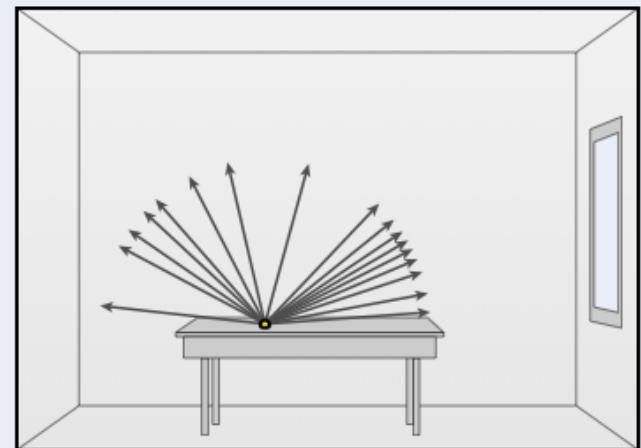


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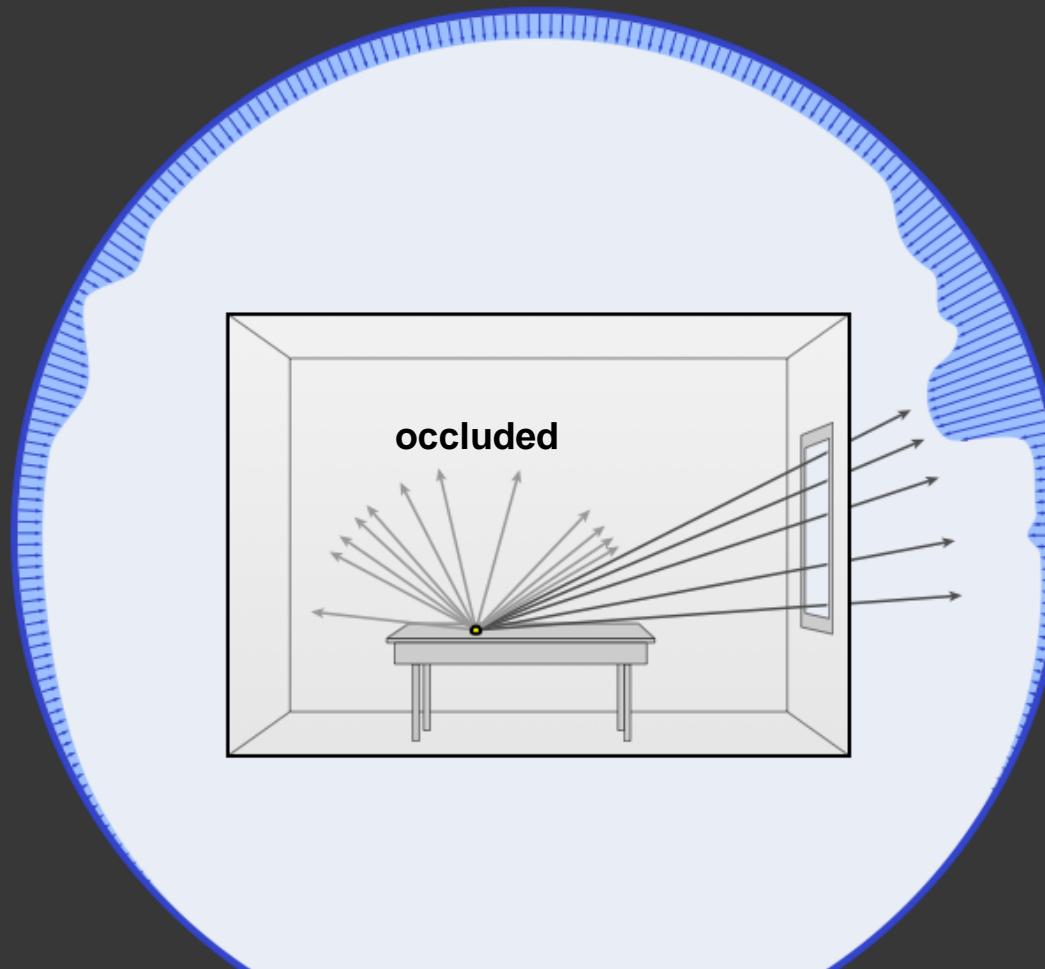
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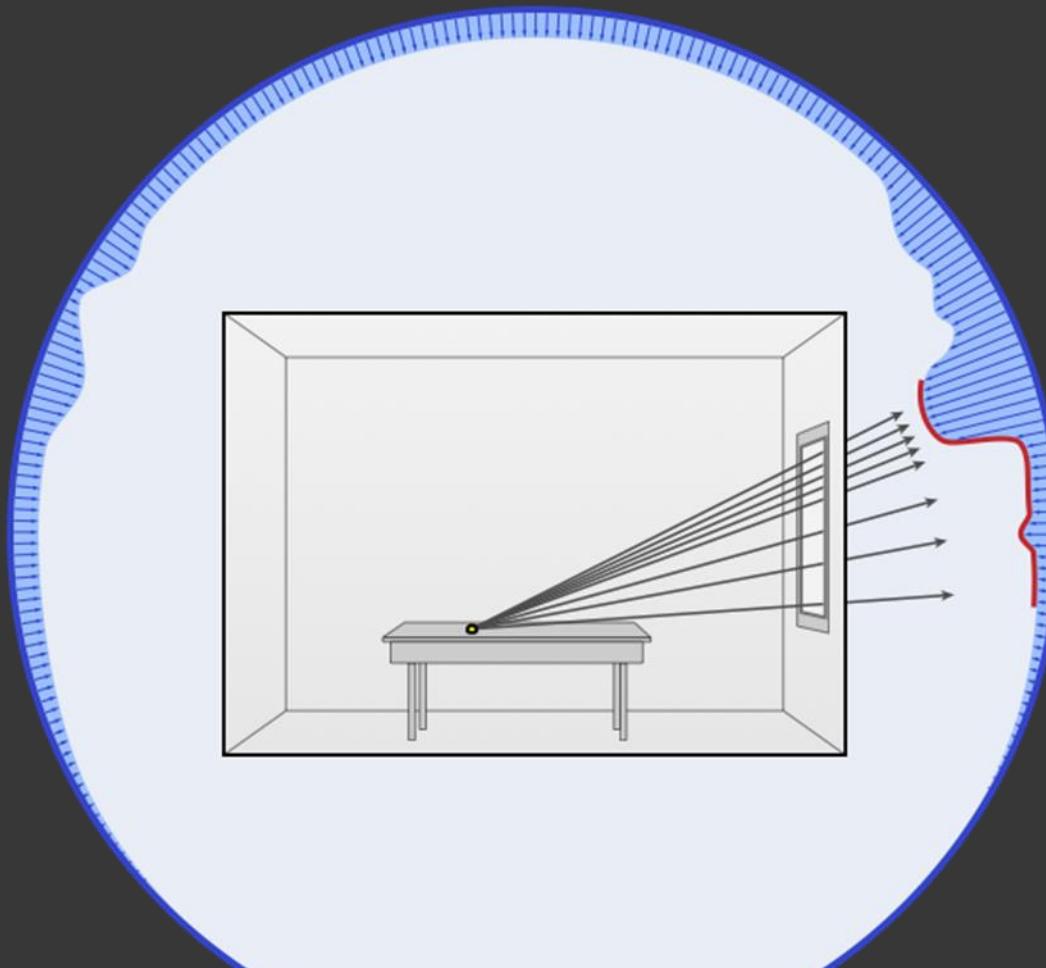
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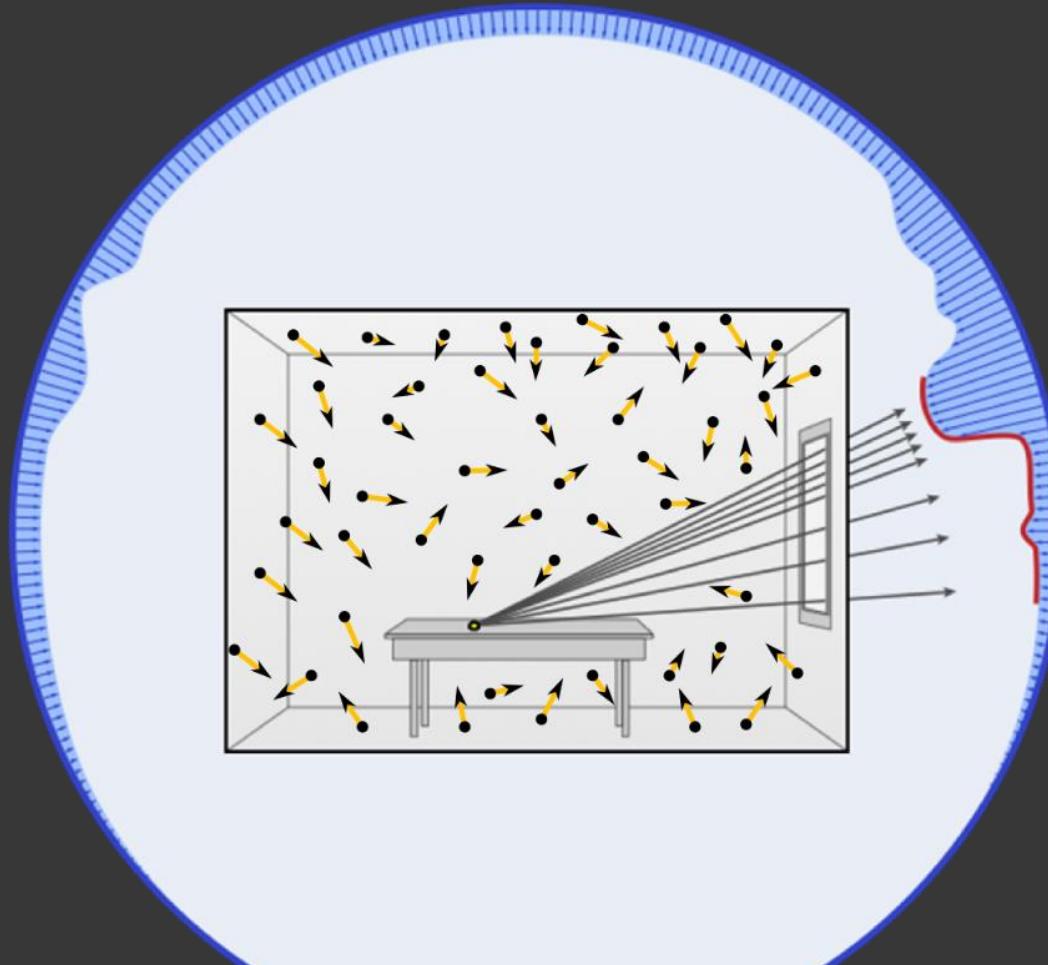
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Problem Statement

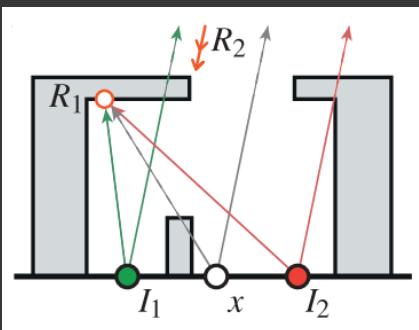


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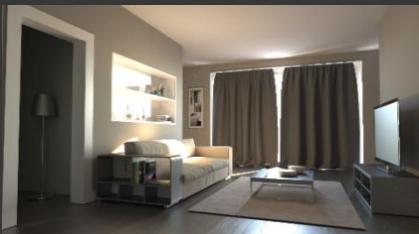


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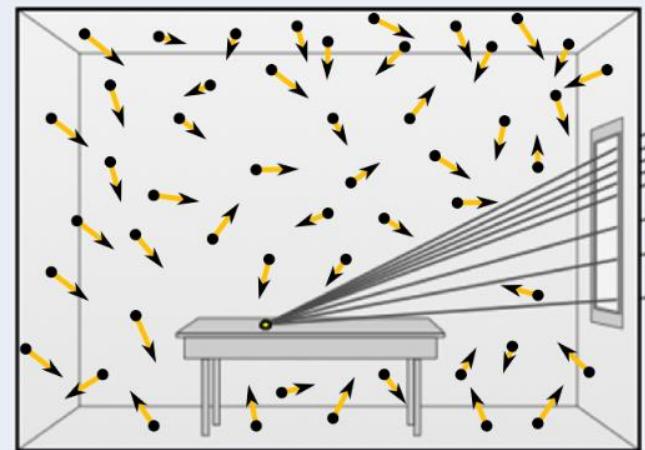
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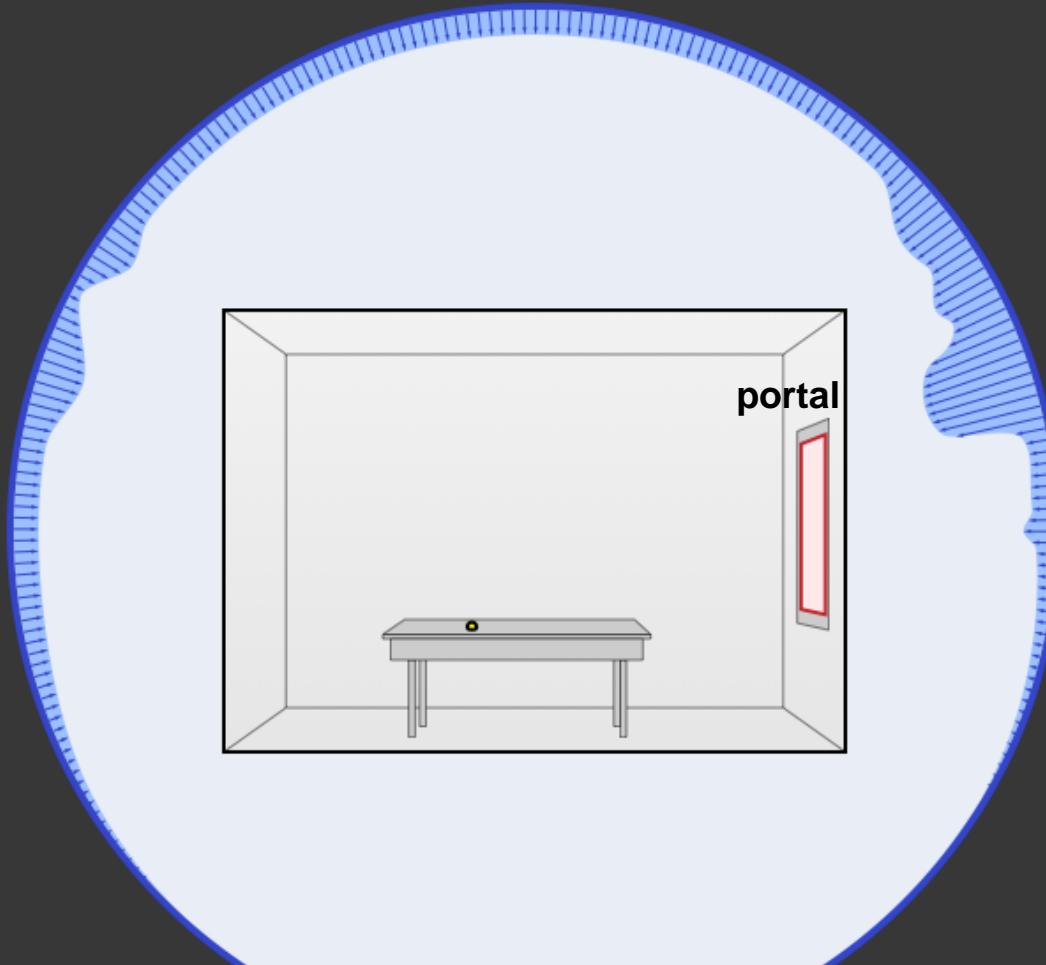
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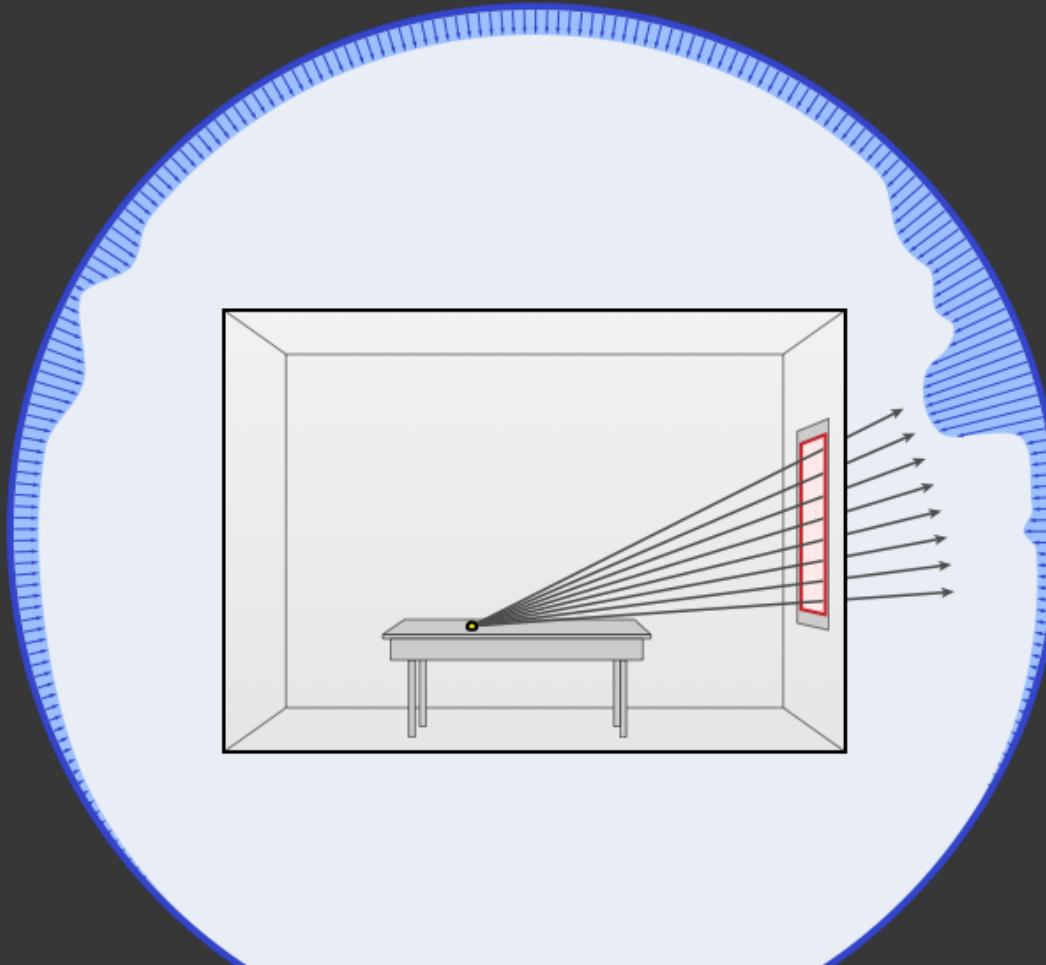
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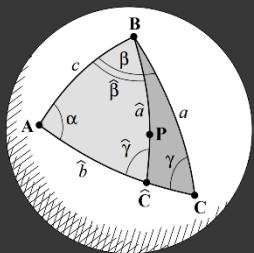


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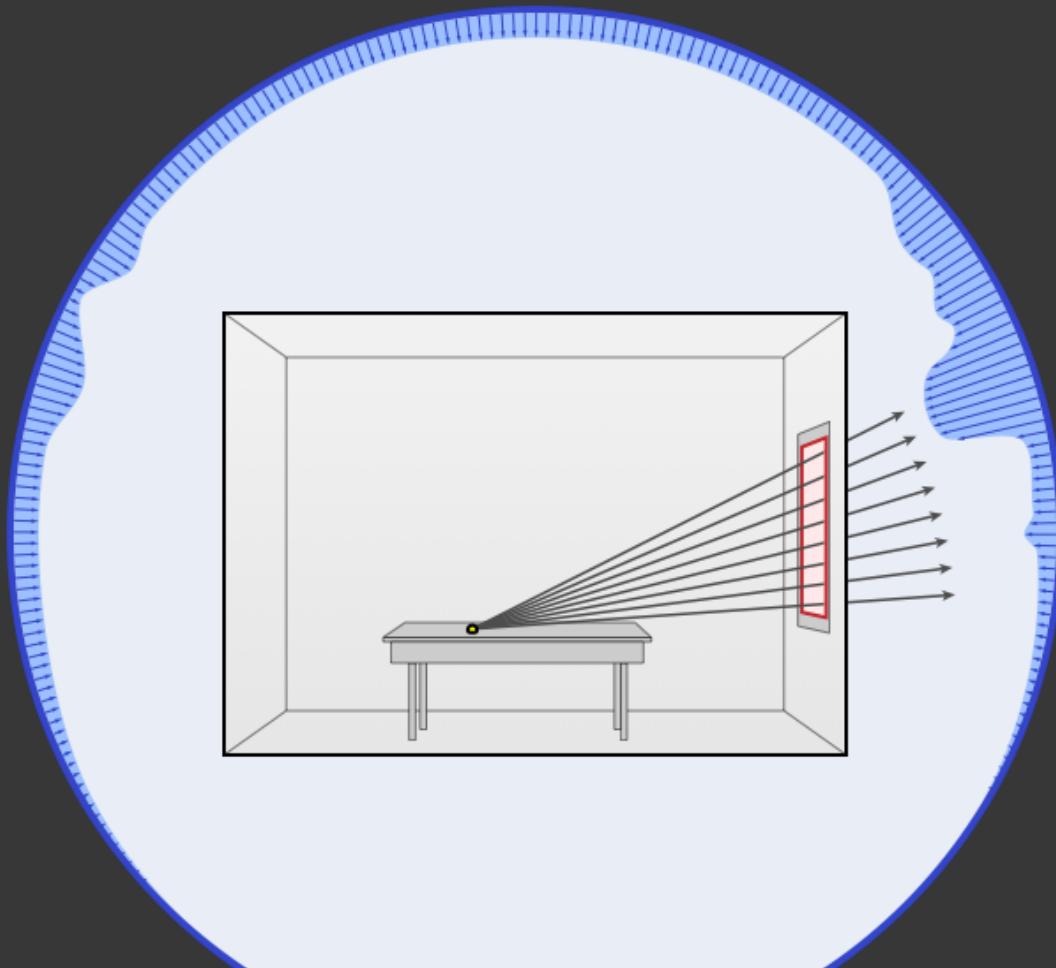
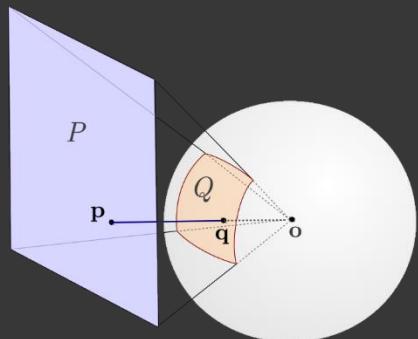


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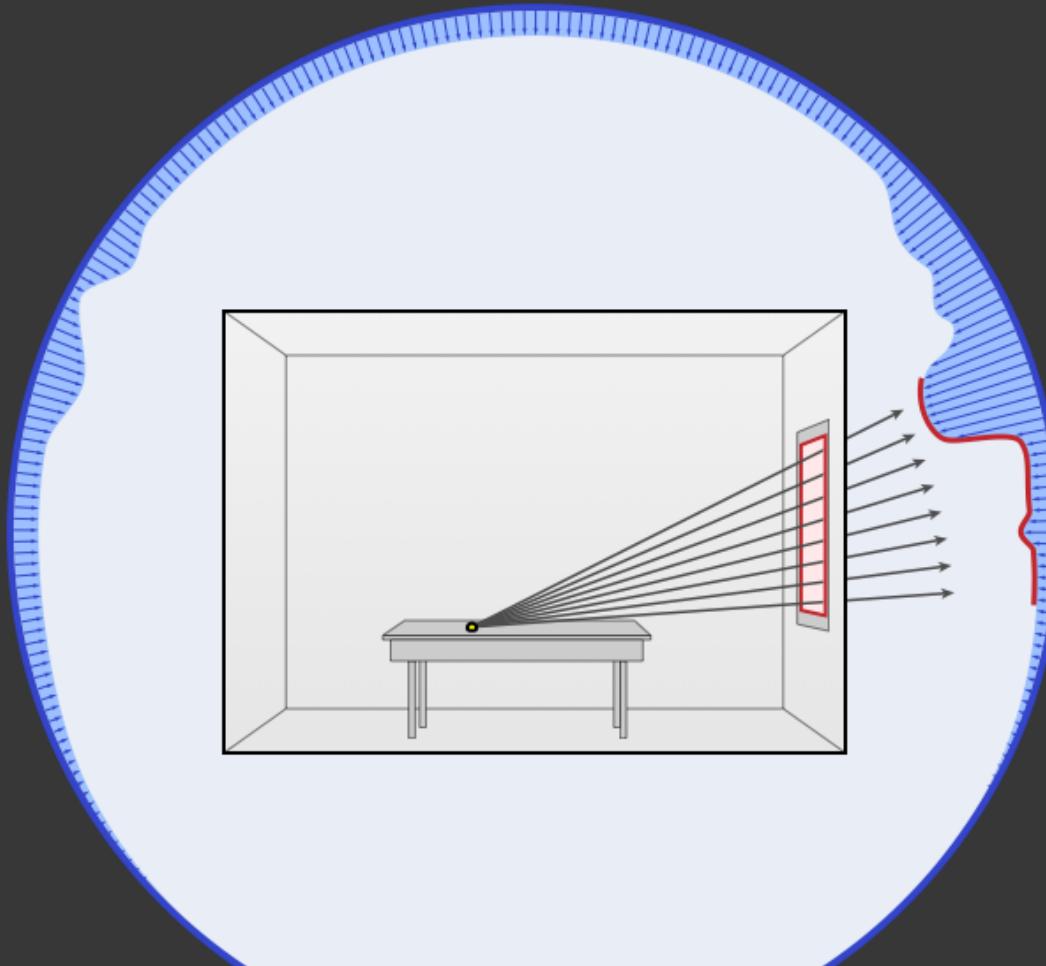
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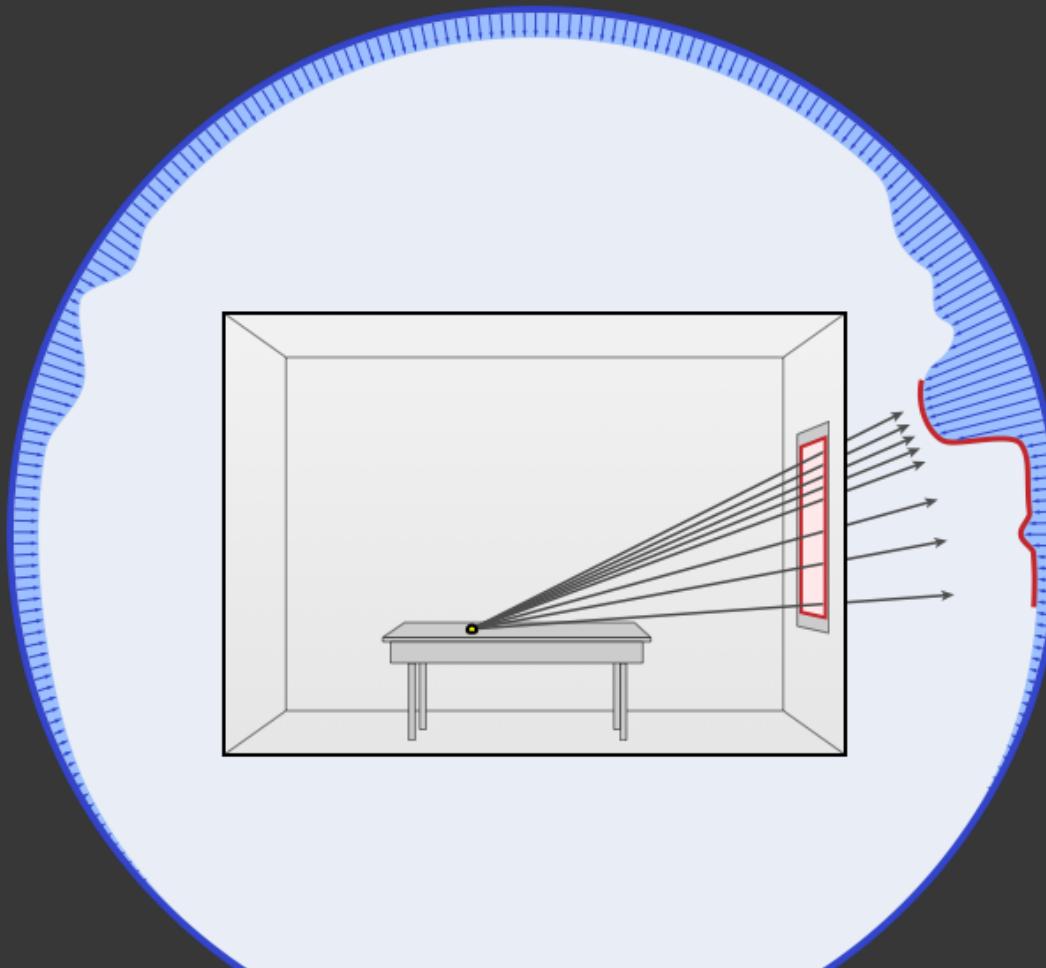
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Ours



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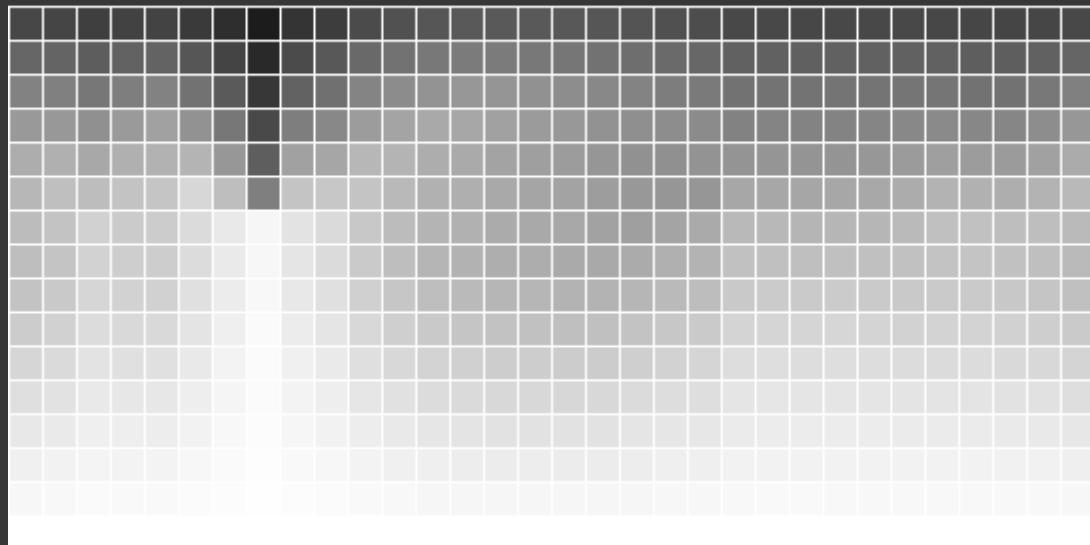


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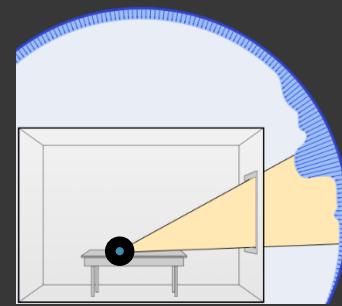
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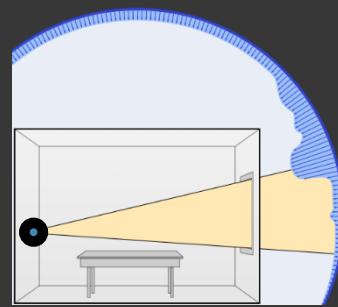
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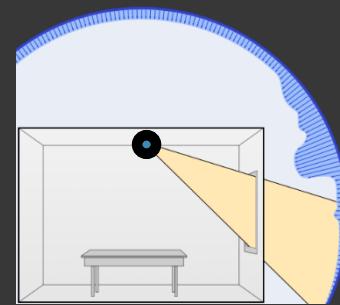
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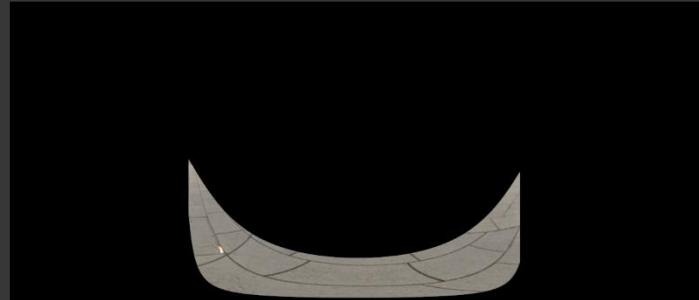


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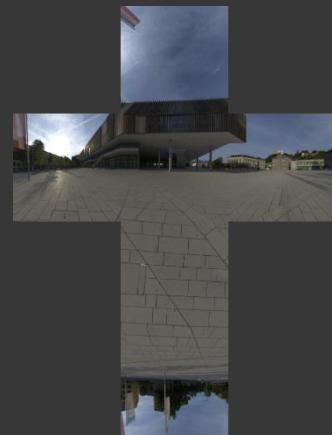
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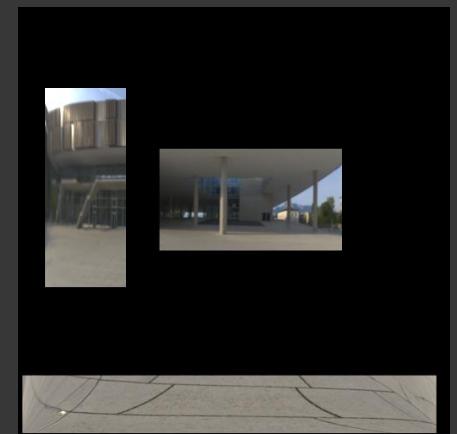
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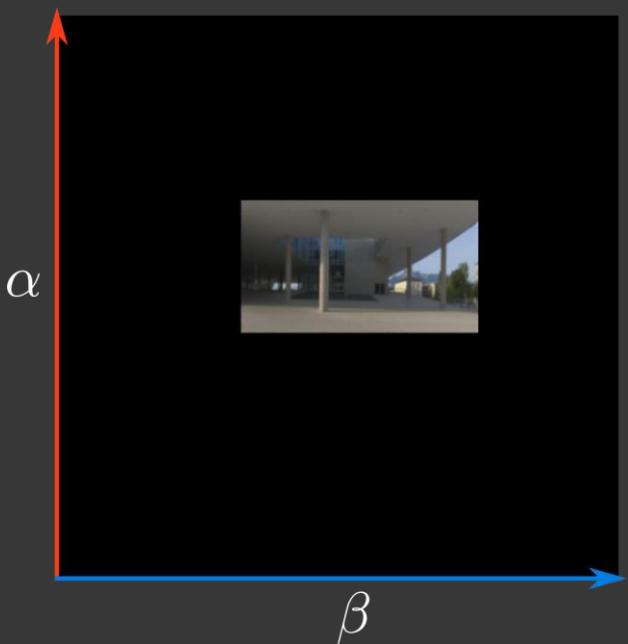


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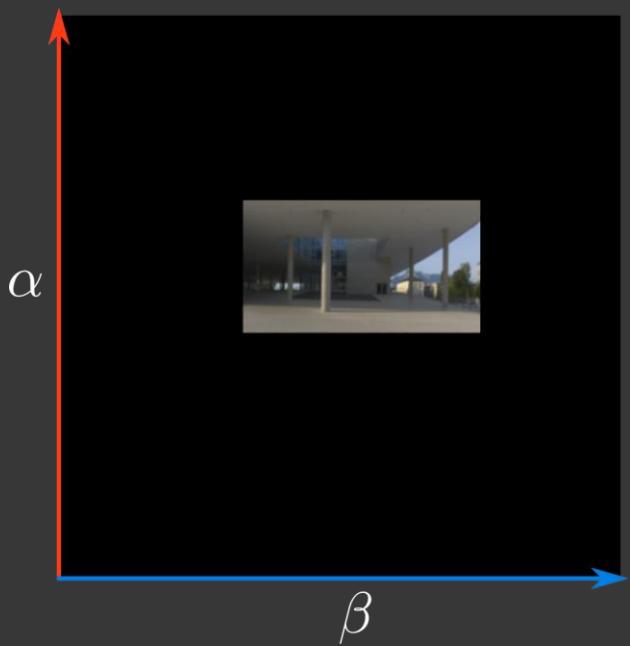
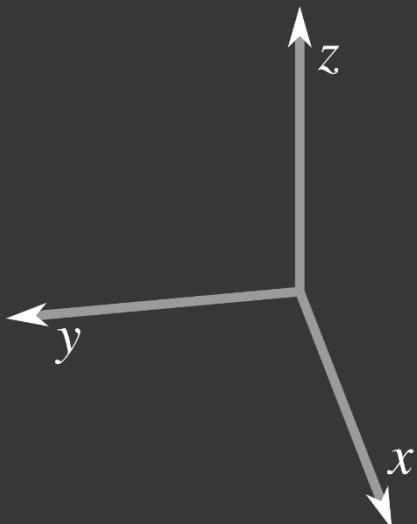


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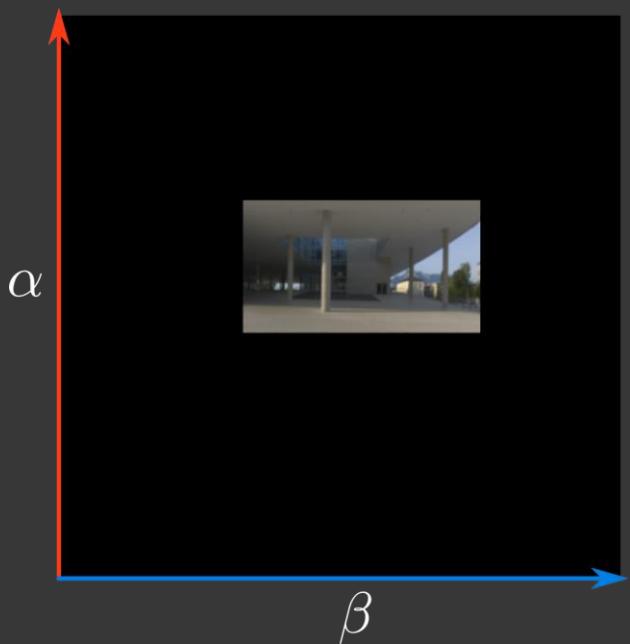
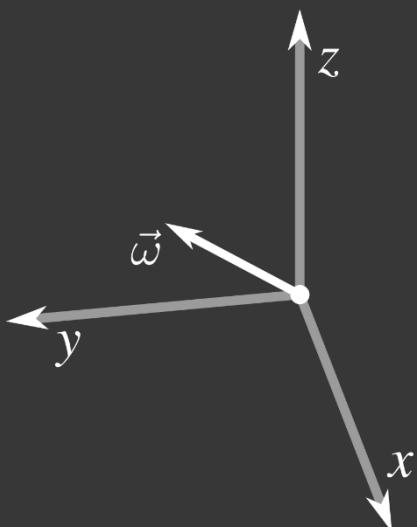
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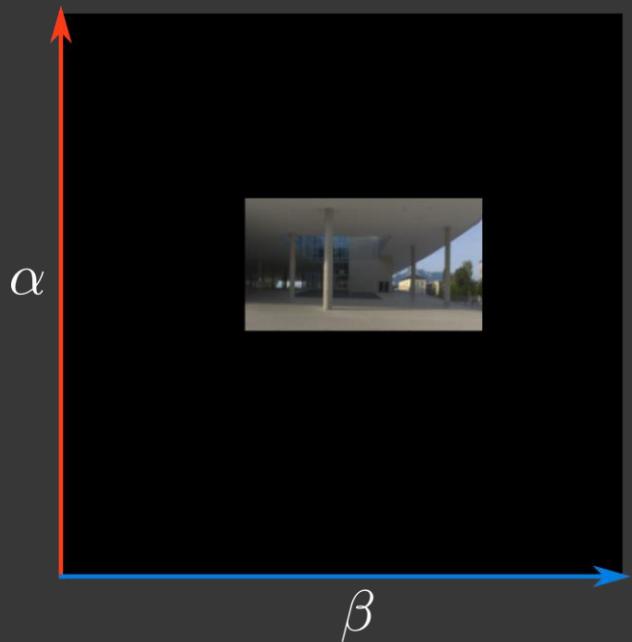
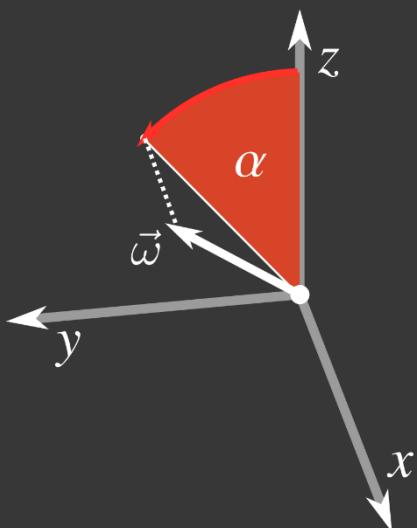
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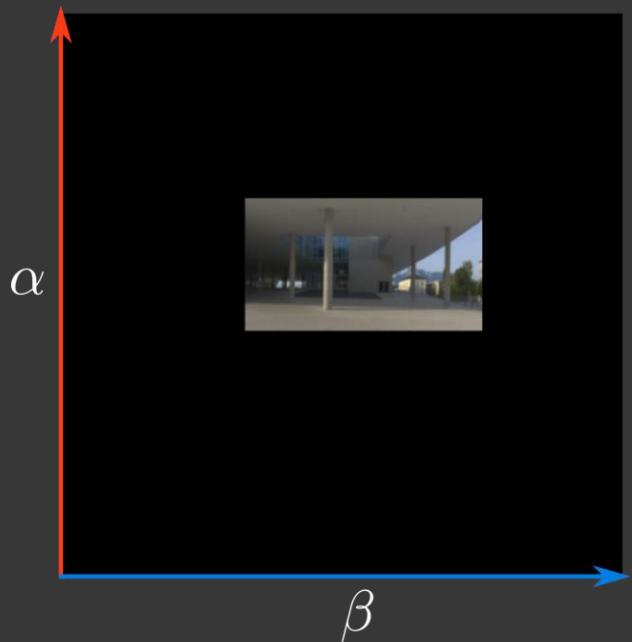
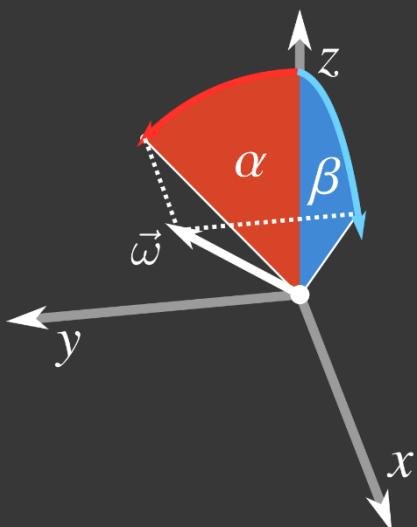
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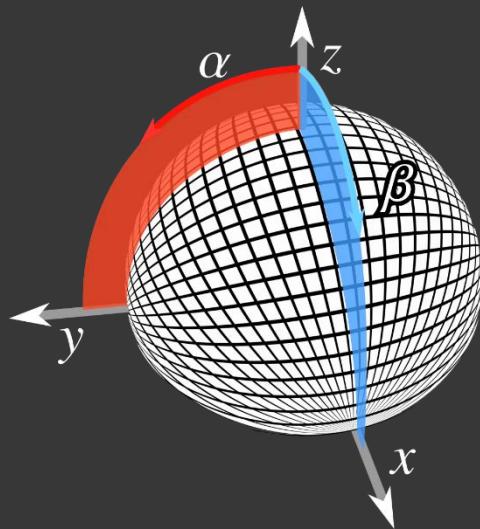
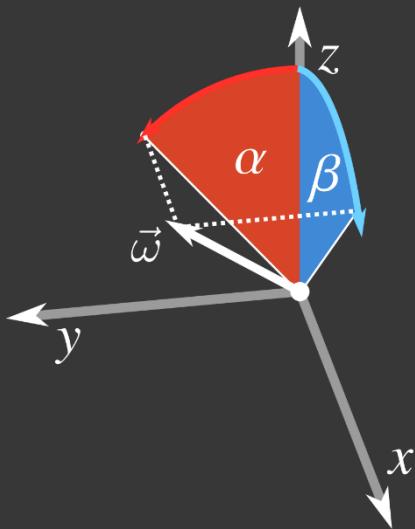
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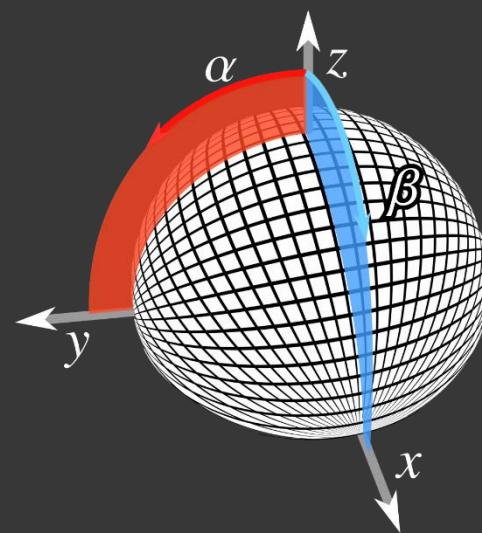
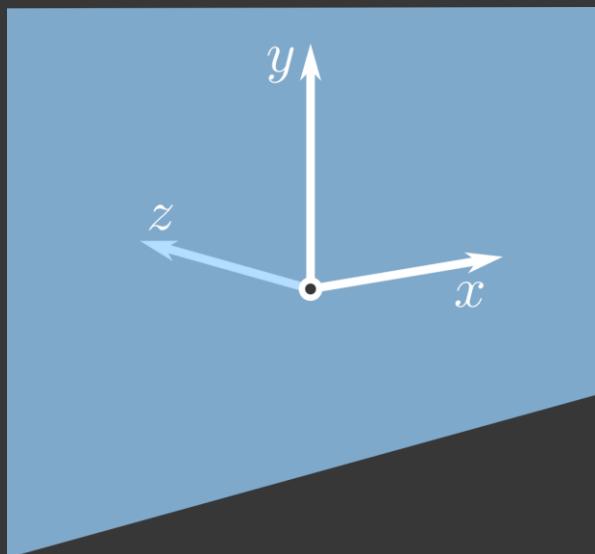
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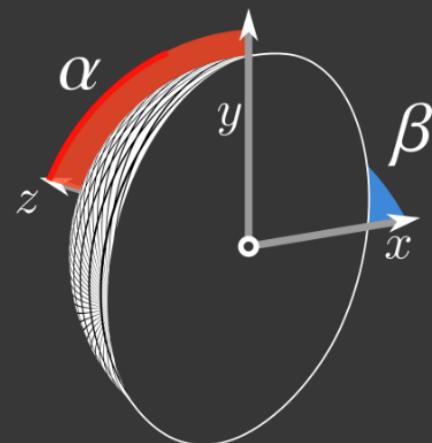
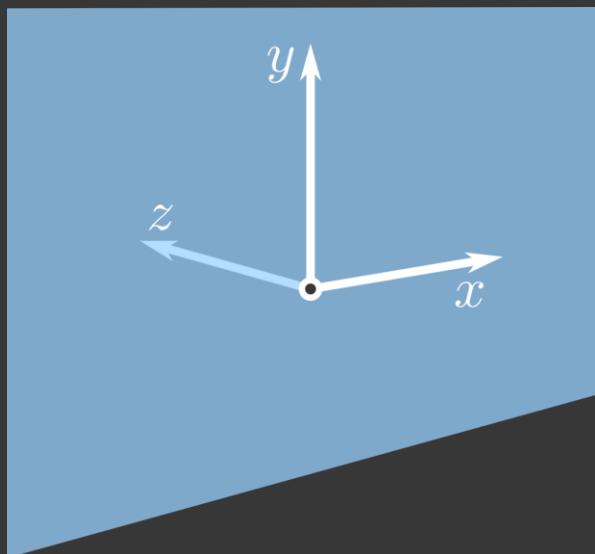


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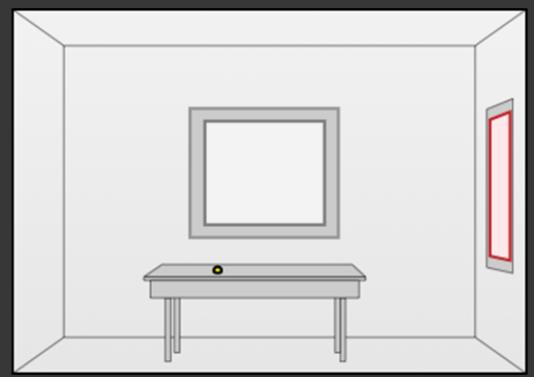
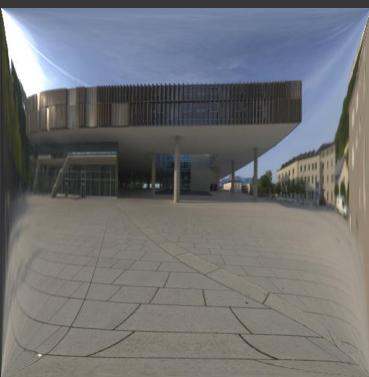
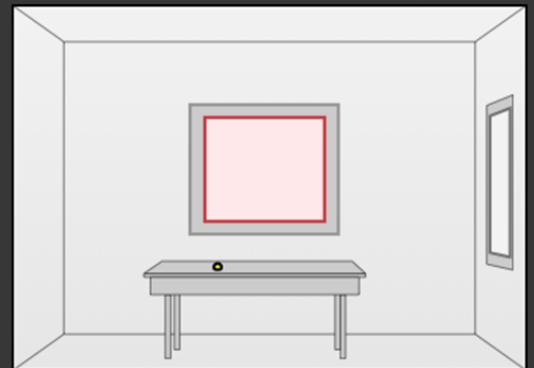
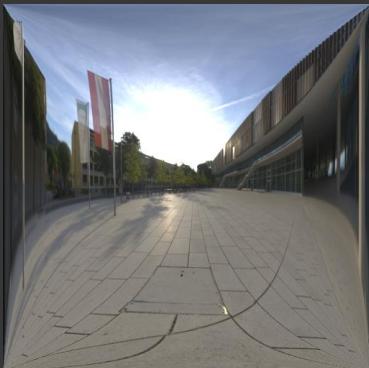
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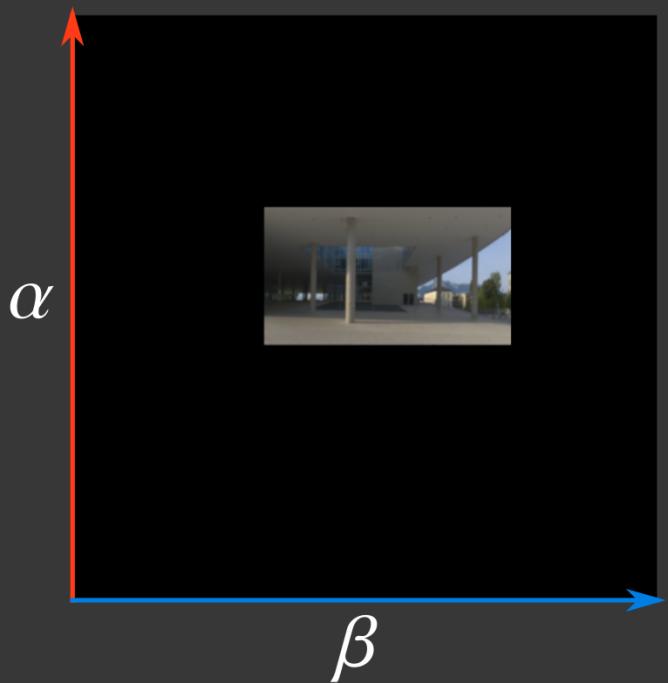
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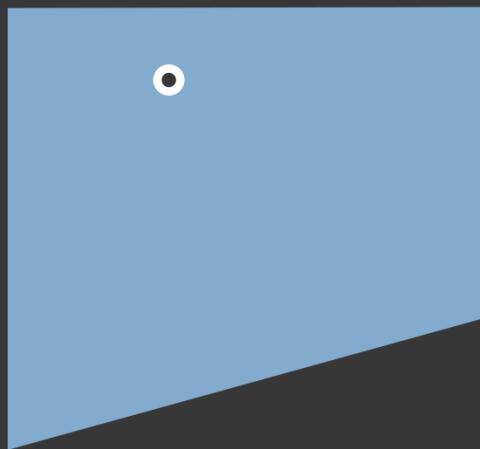


Need separate environment map **per portal**

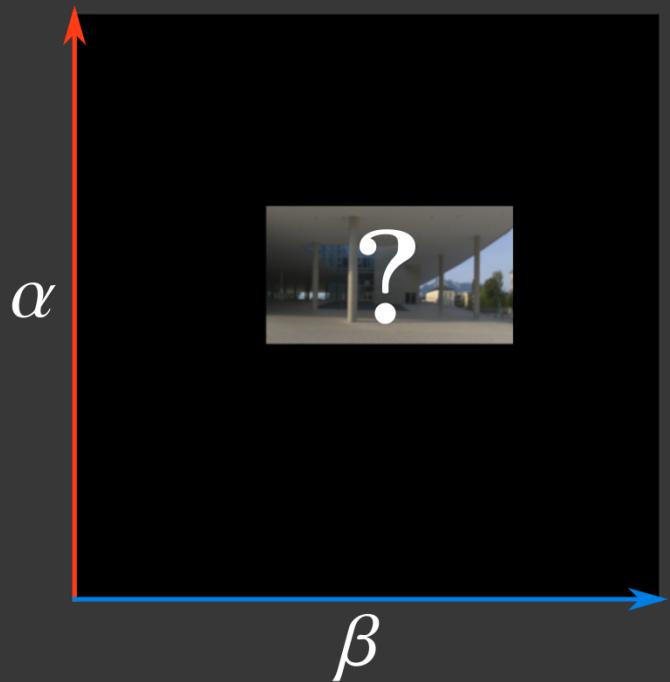
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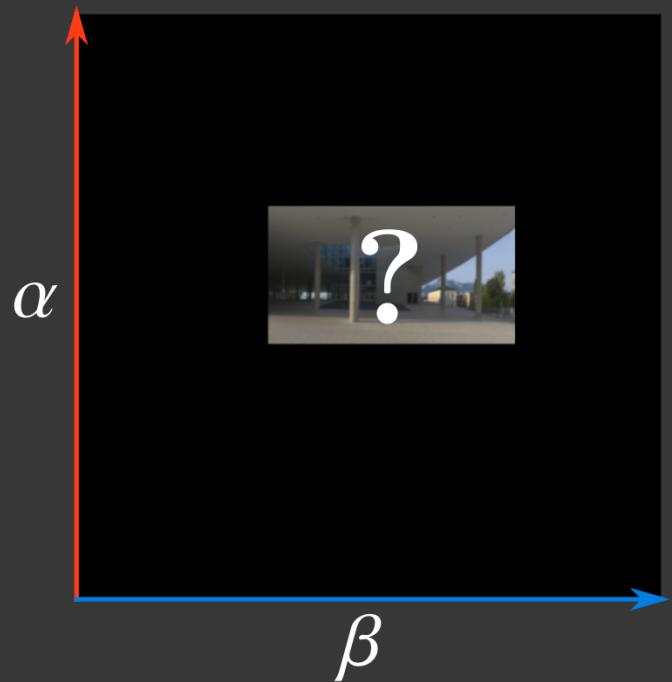
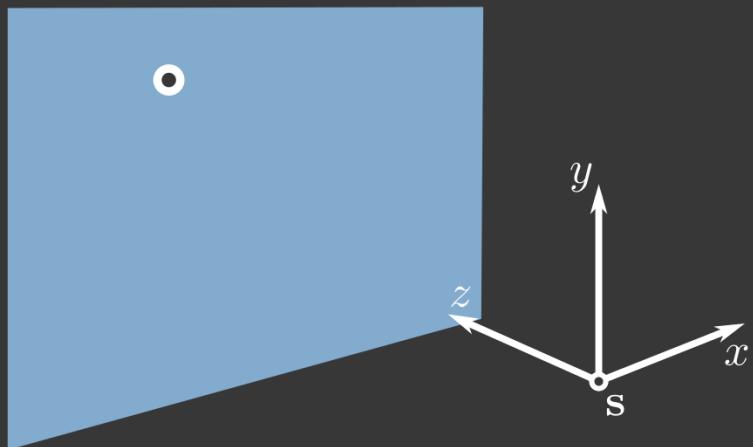
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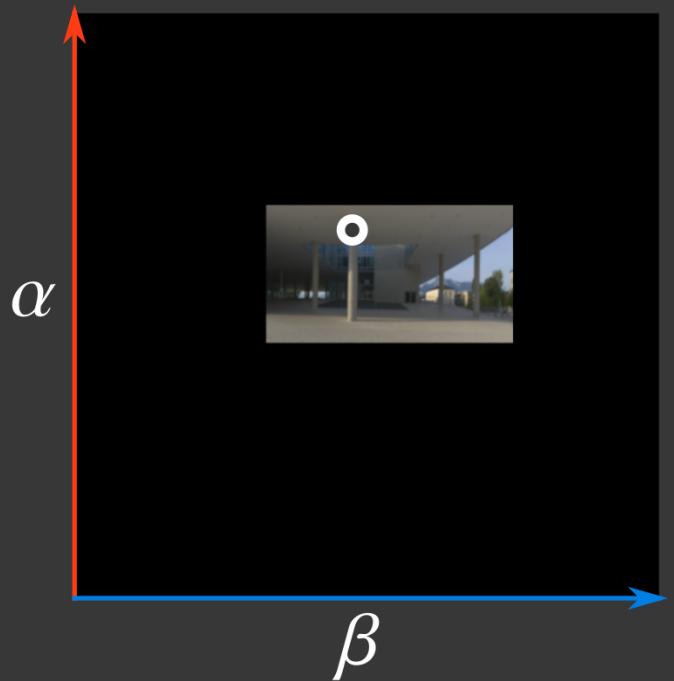
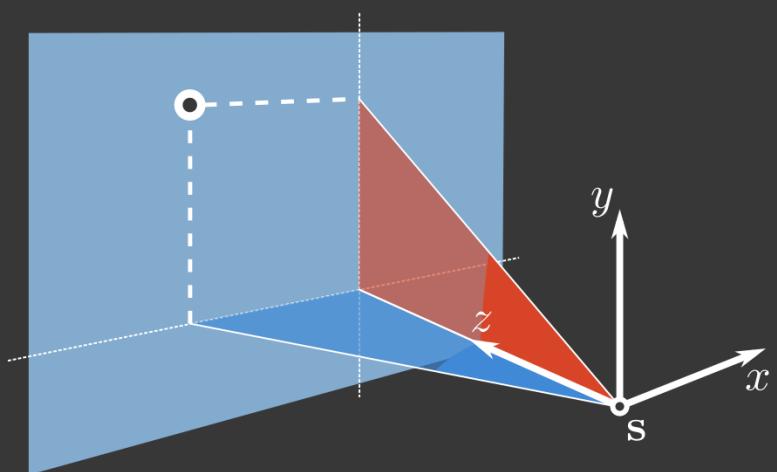
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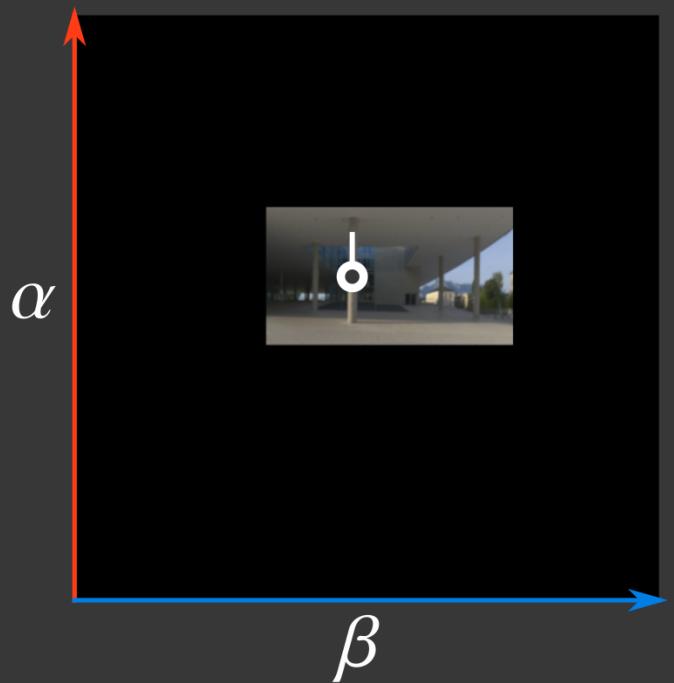
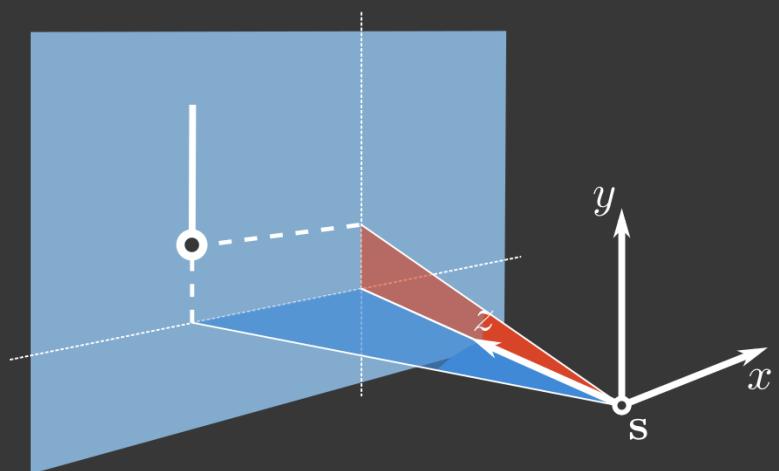
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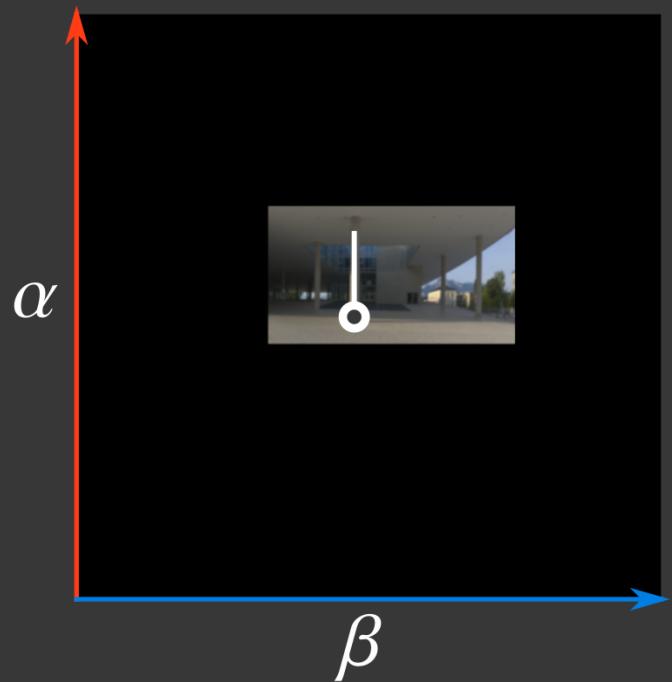
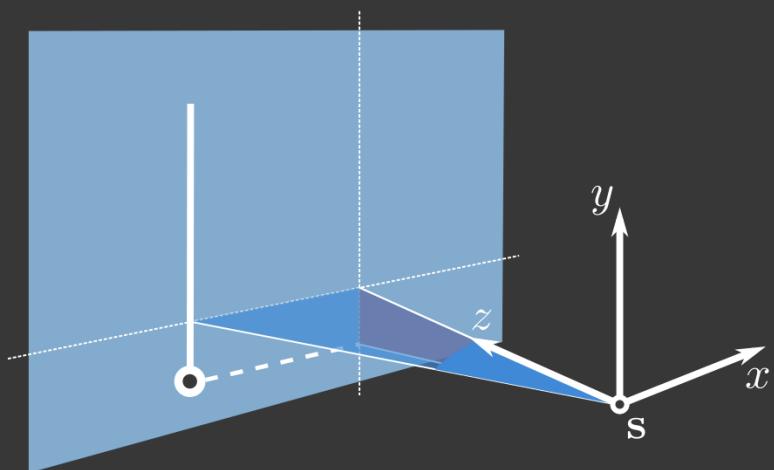
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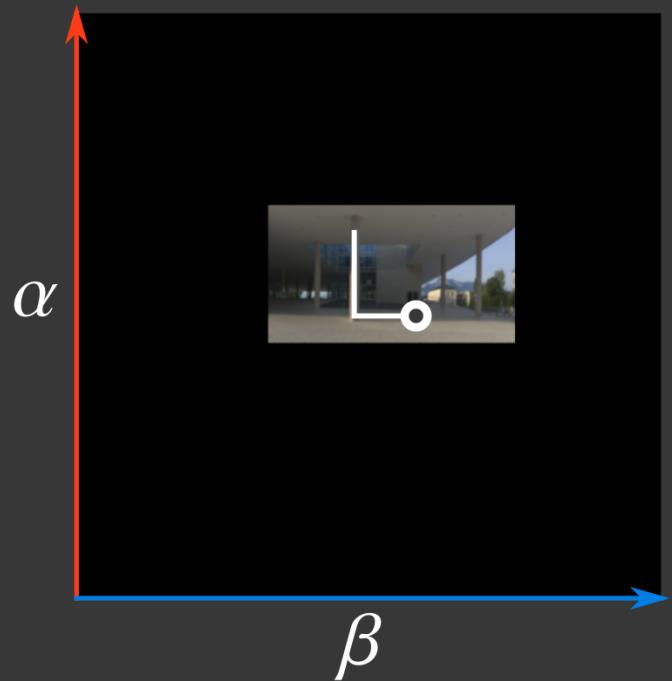
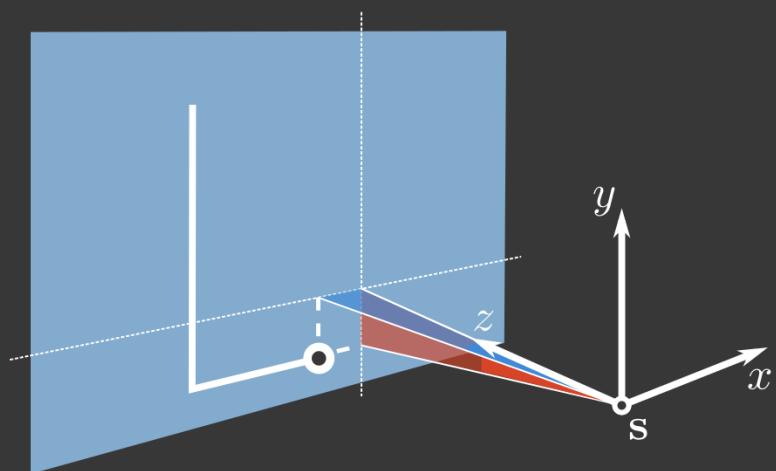
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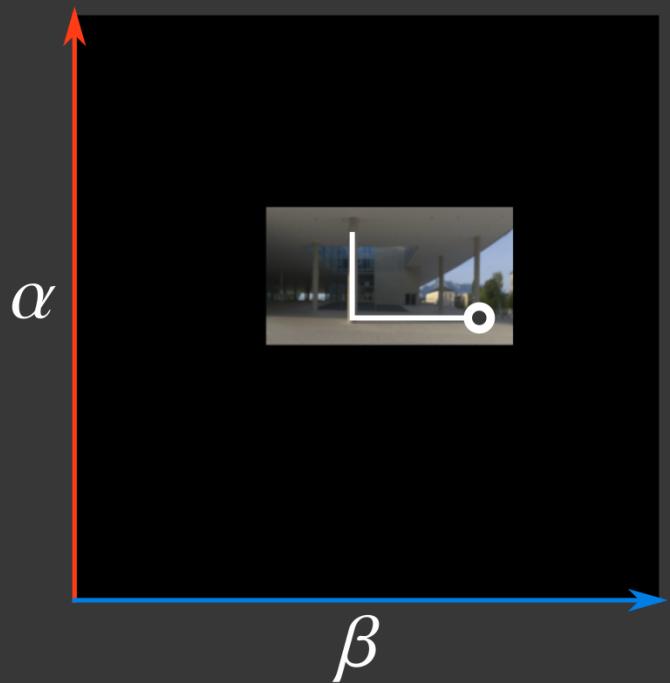
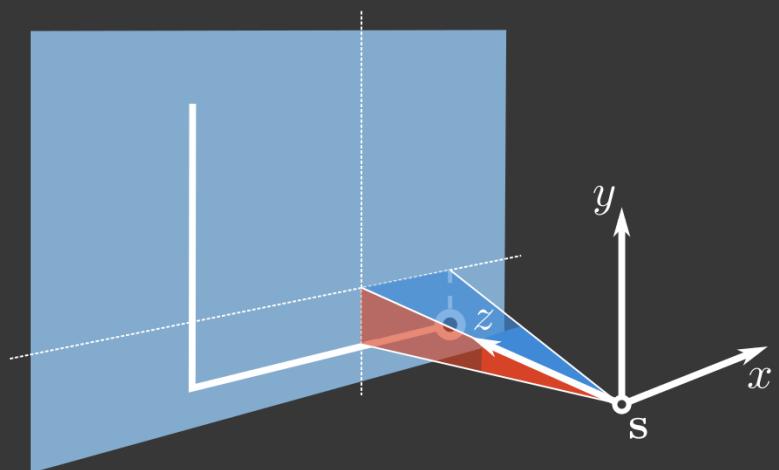
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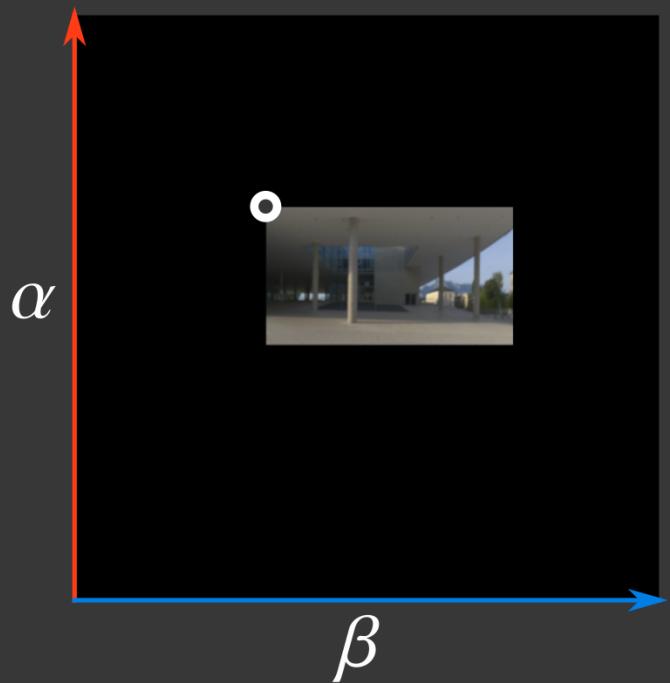
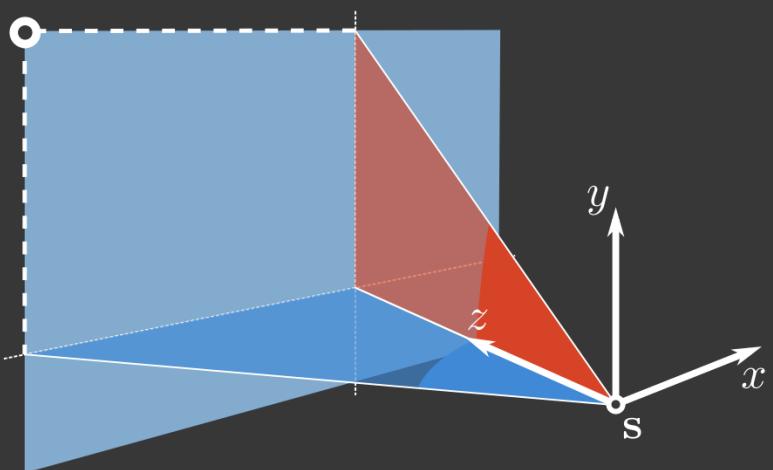
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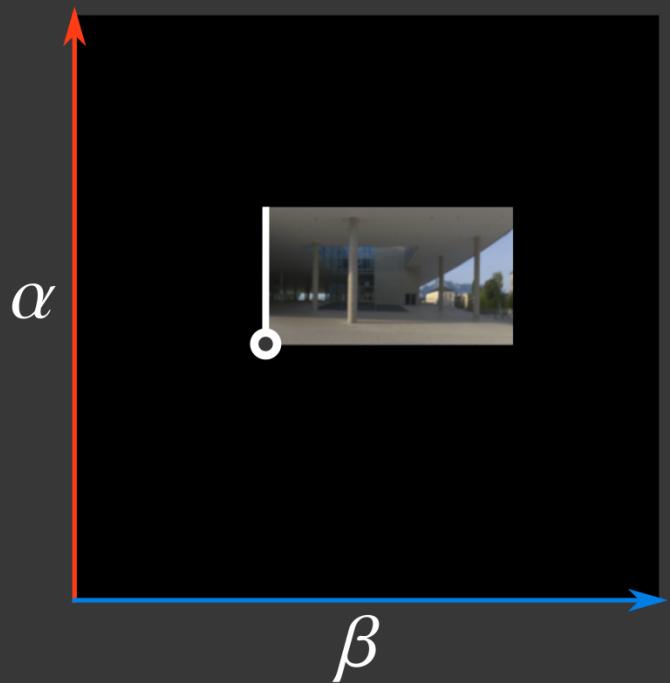
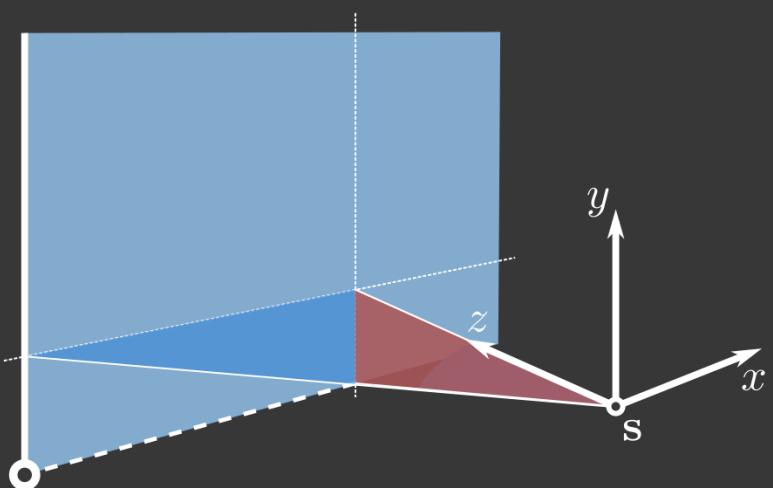
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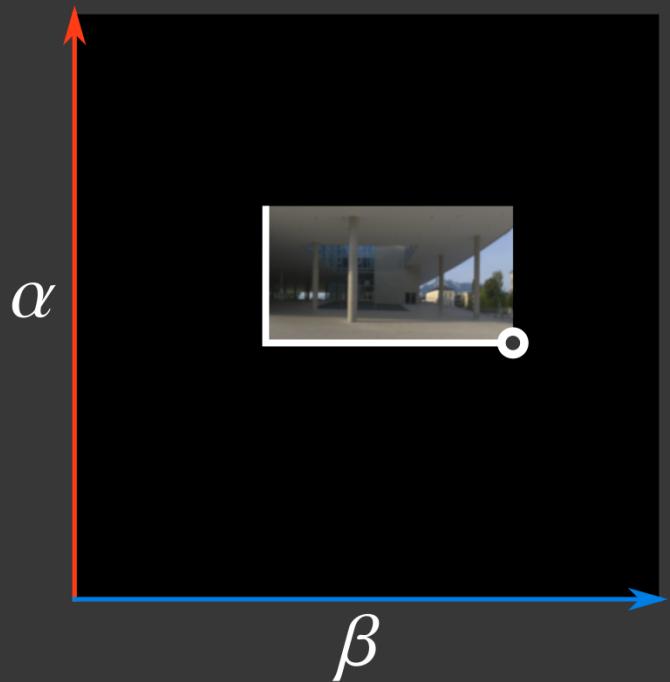
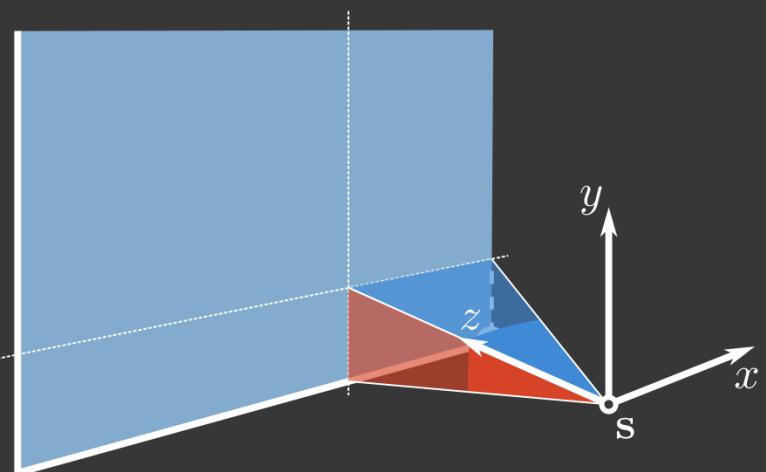
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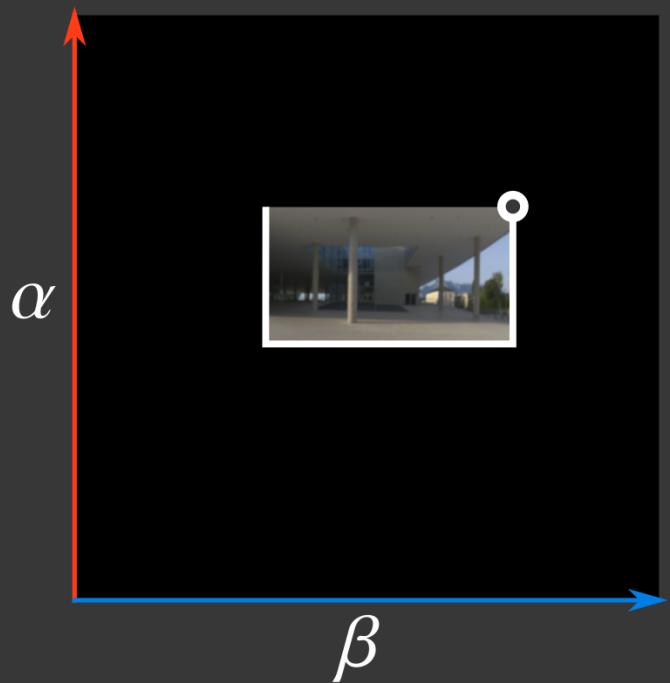
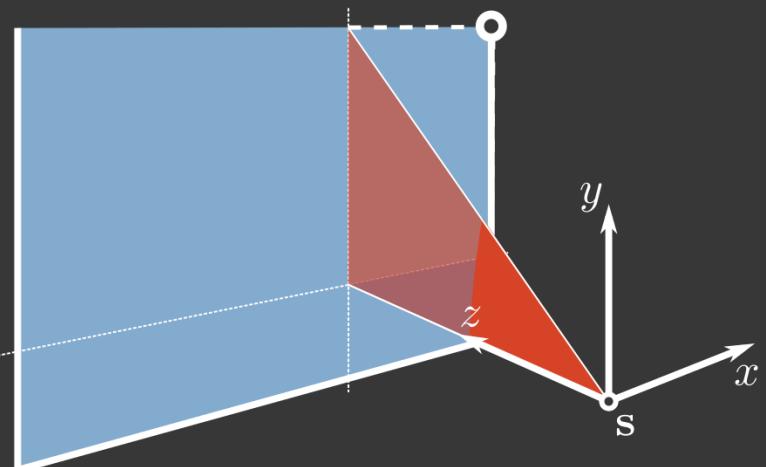
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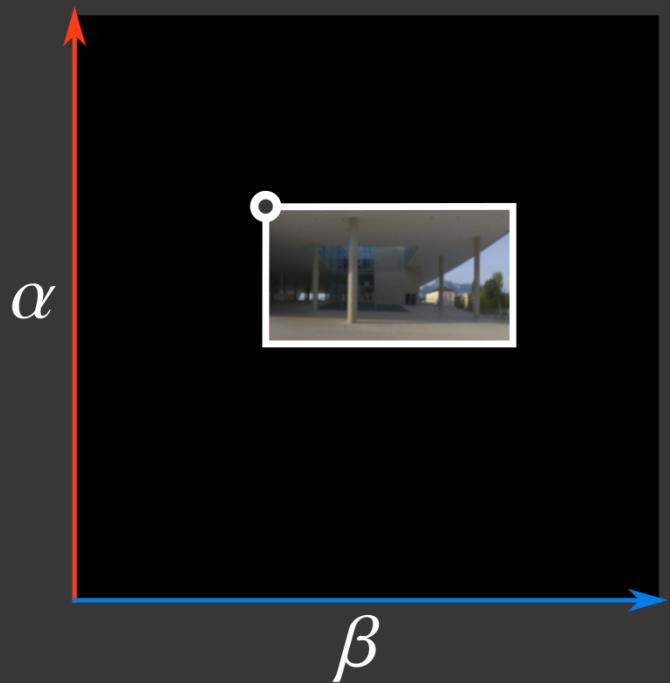
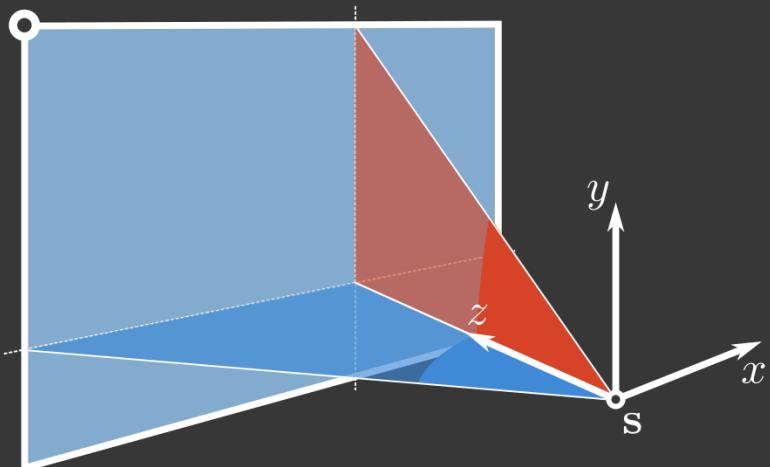
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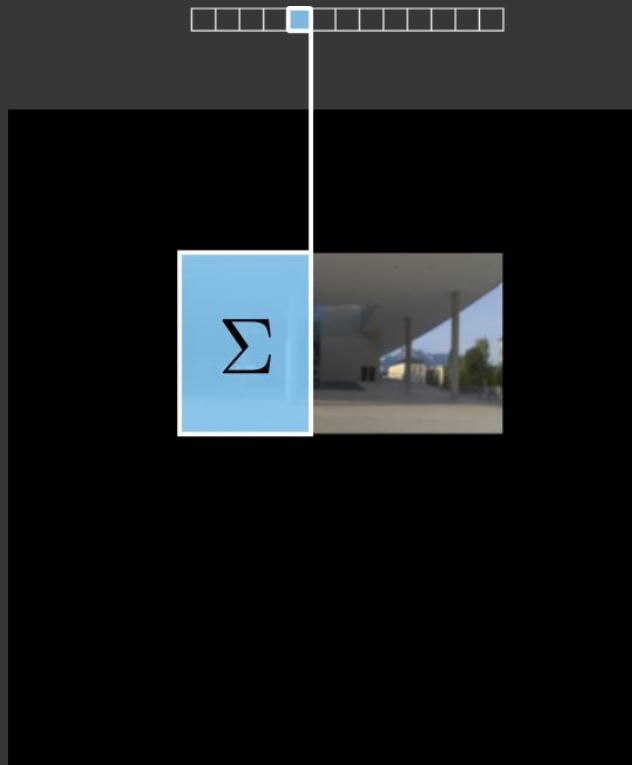
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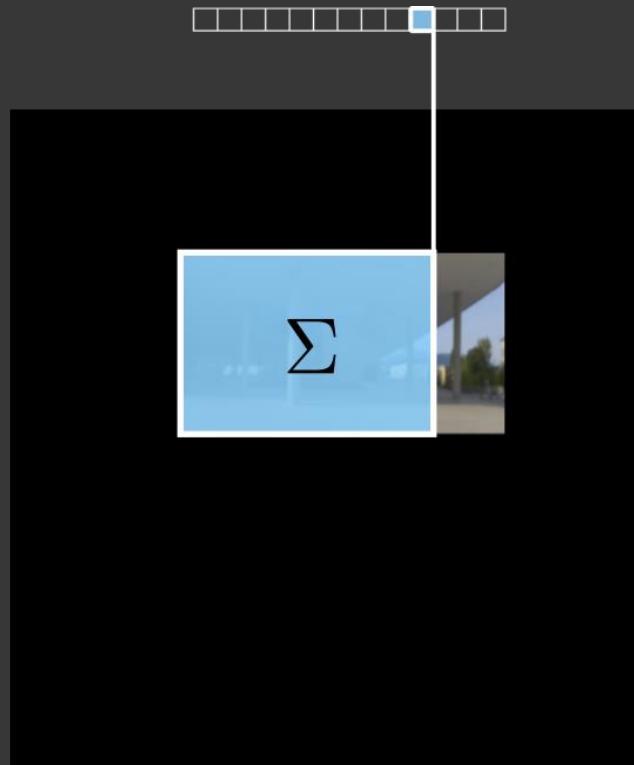
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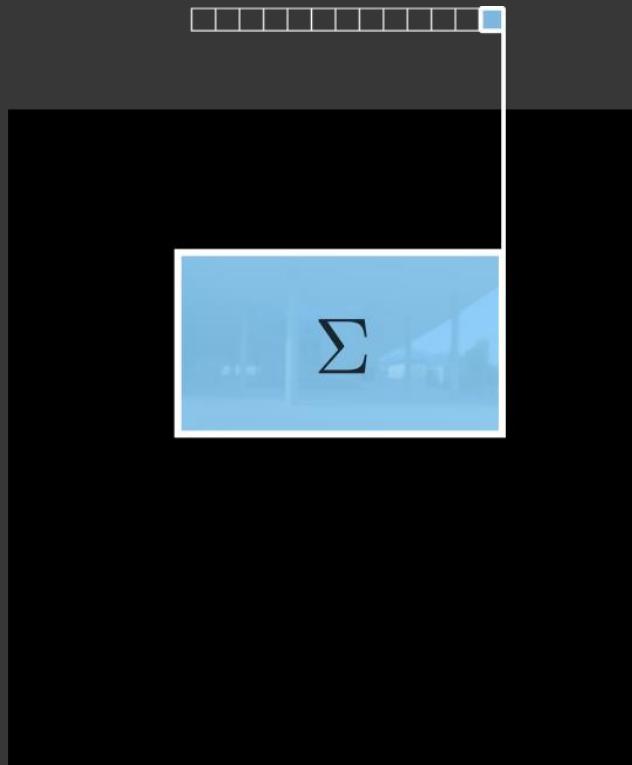
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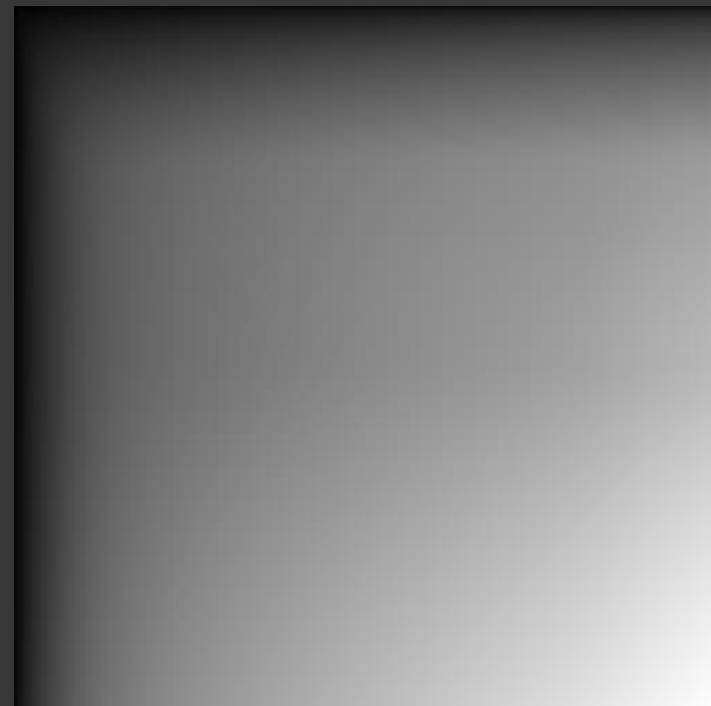
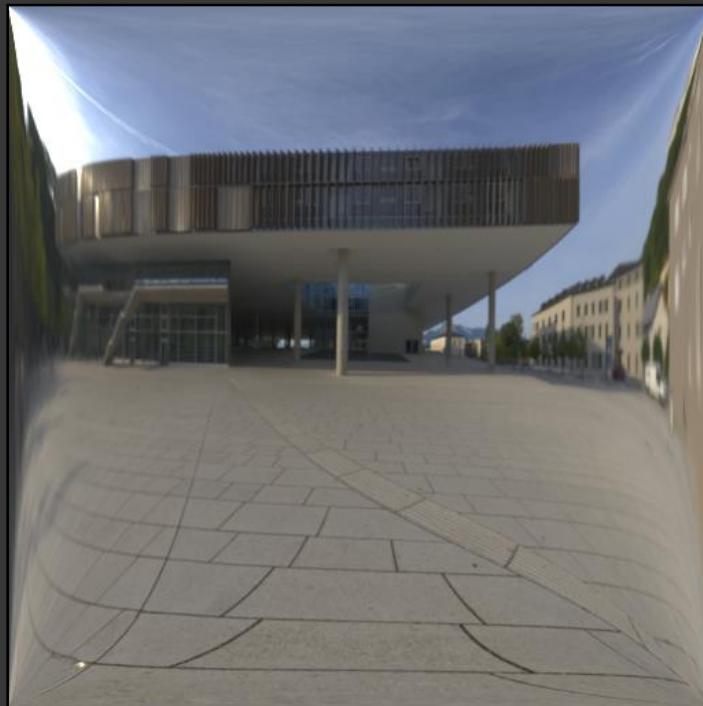


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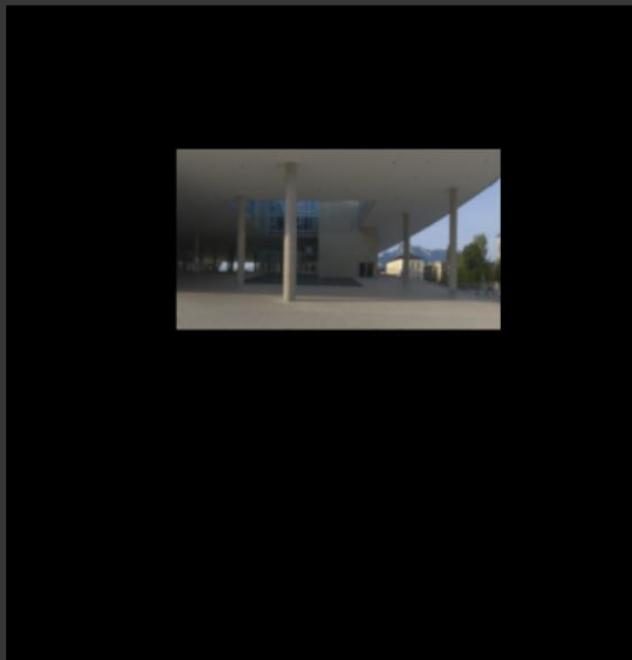
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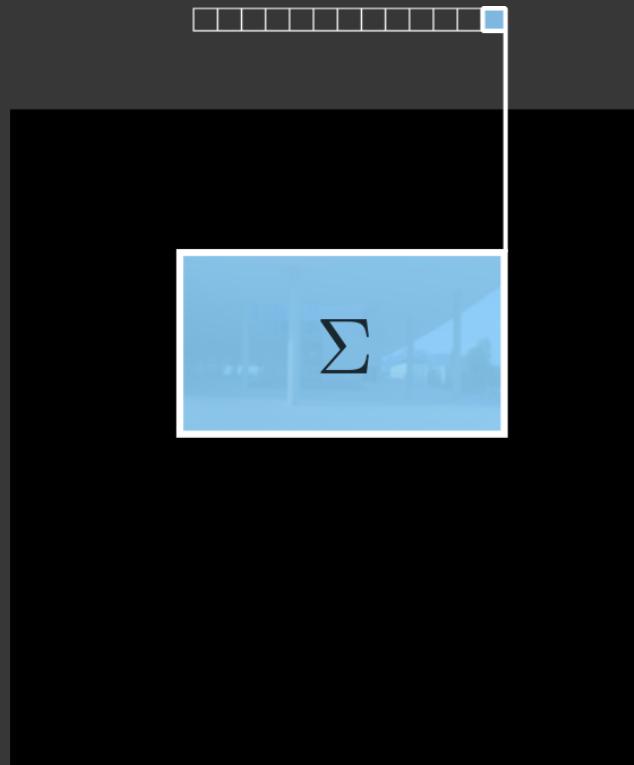
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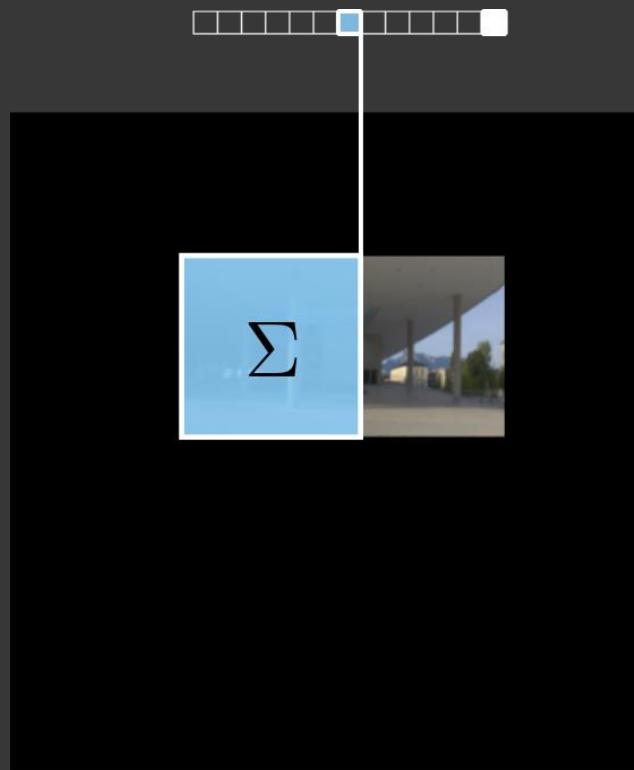
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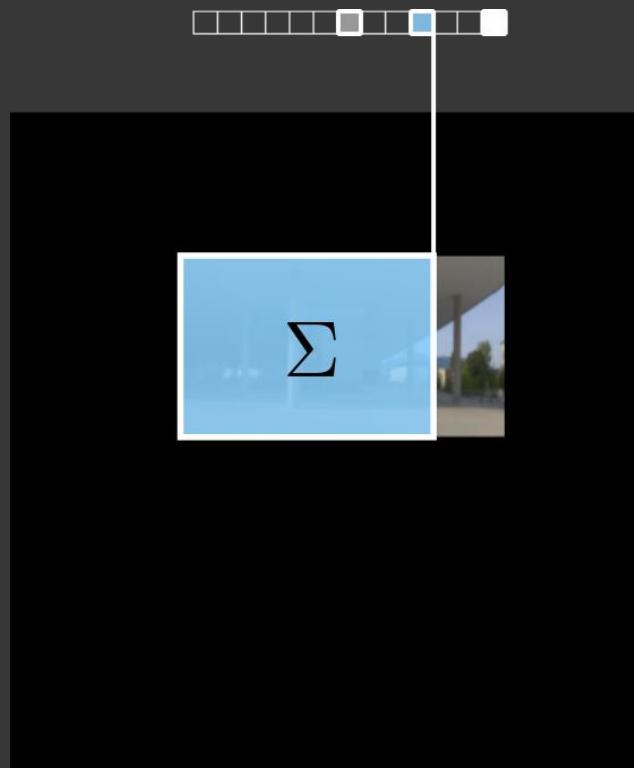
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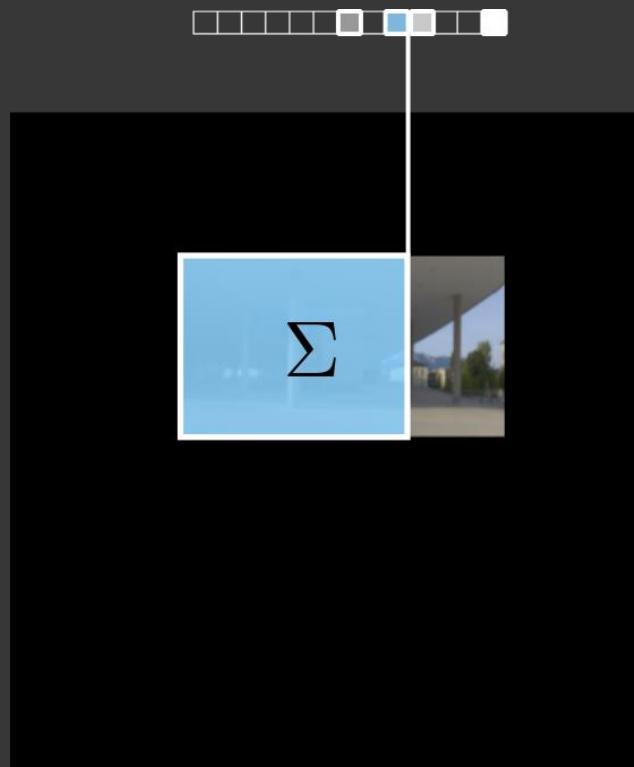
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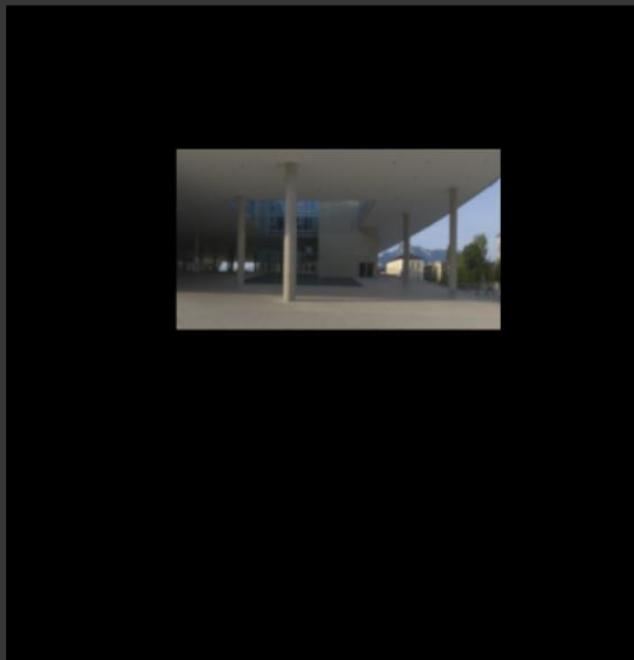
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2) Invert marginal/conditional distributions

Use bisection algorithm for logarithmic complexity

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Comparison of:

- a) Environment map sampling
 - b) Portal solid angle sampling [Ureña et al. 2013]
 - c) Multiple importance sampling of a) and b) [Veach 1998]
 - d) Ours
- at equal sample count (8spp)

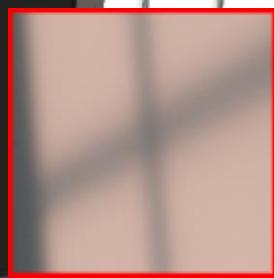
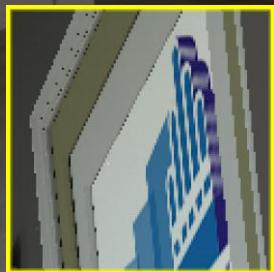
All methods combined with 1 BRDF sample using MIS







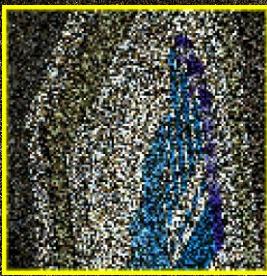
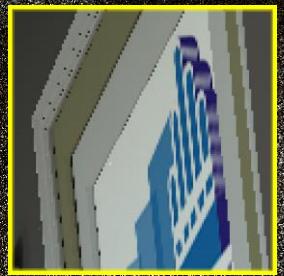
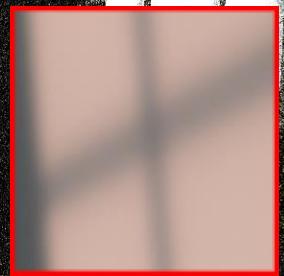




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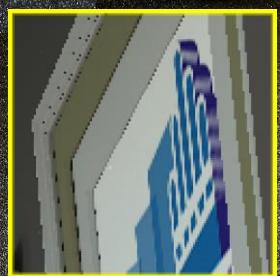
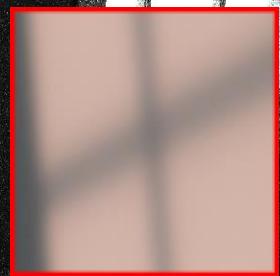


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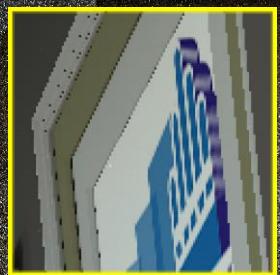
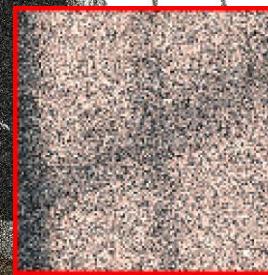
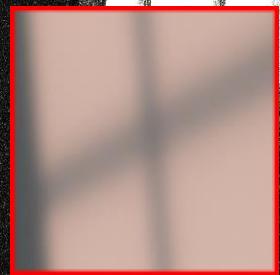
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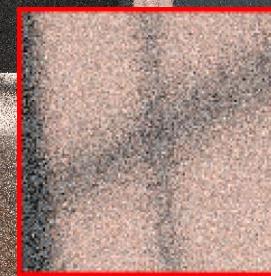
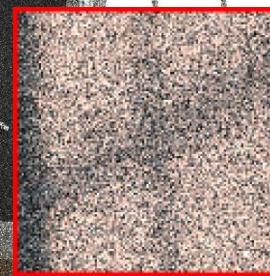
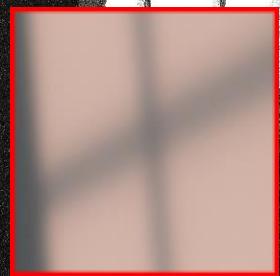


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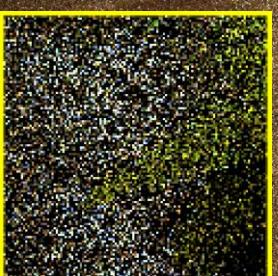




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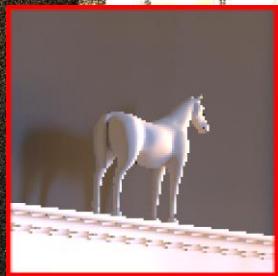




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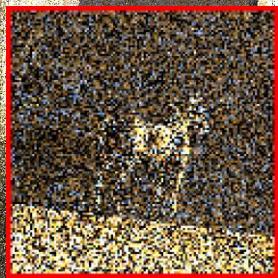
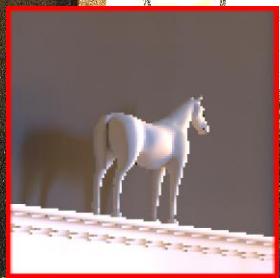


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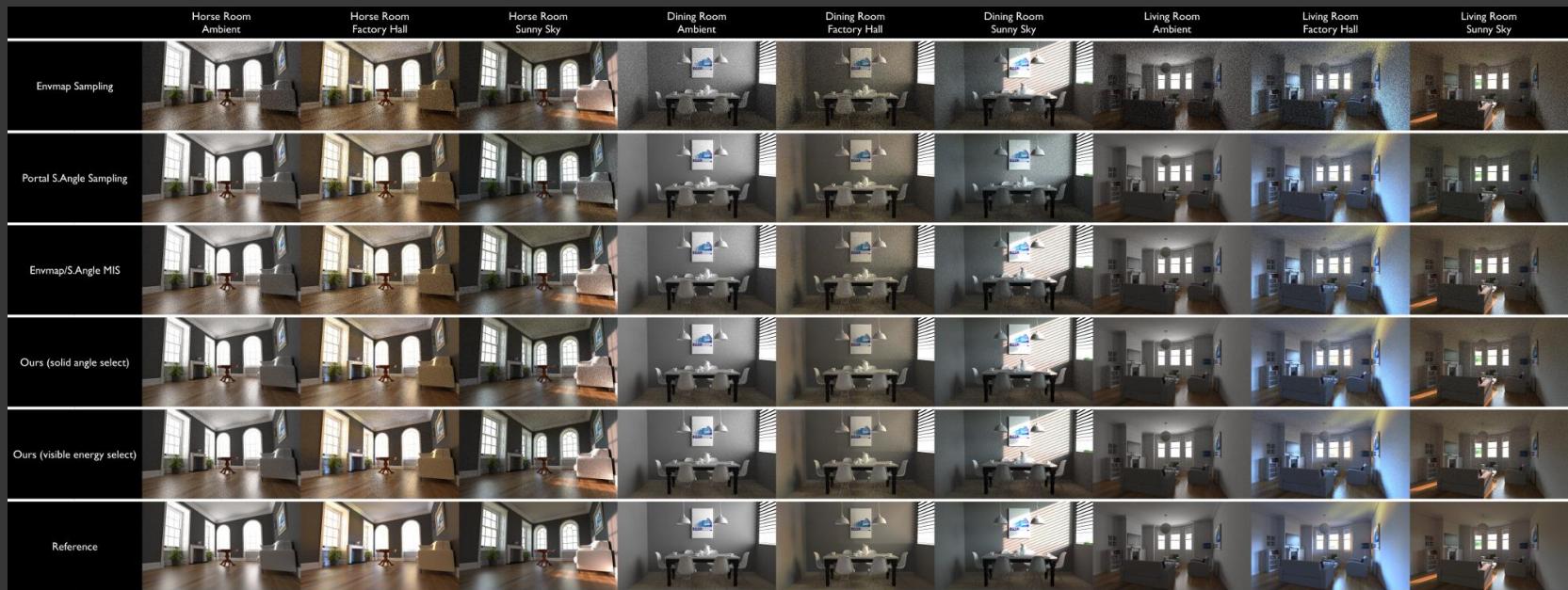
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More Results

Please see supplementary material



By the numbers

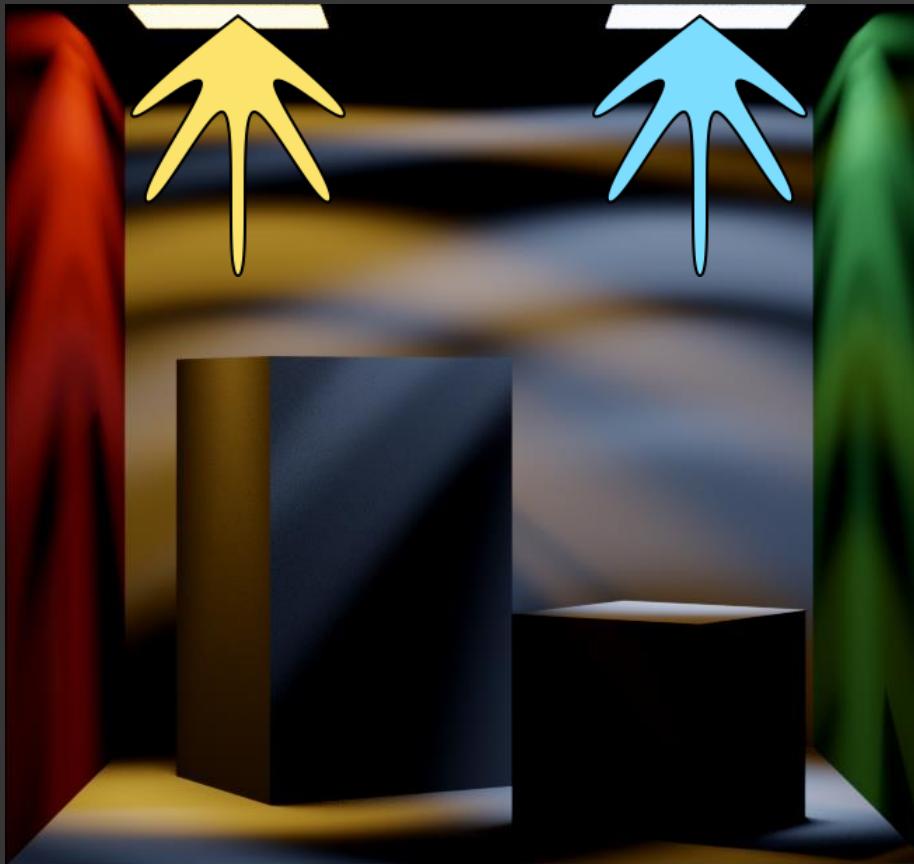
Equal time:

- 33% less shadow rays than Env. Map sampling

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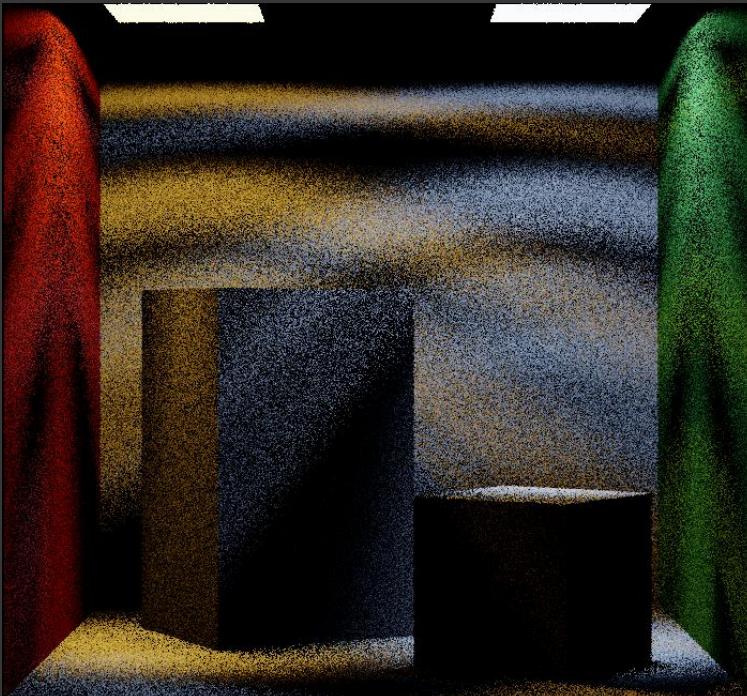
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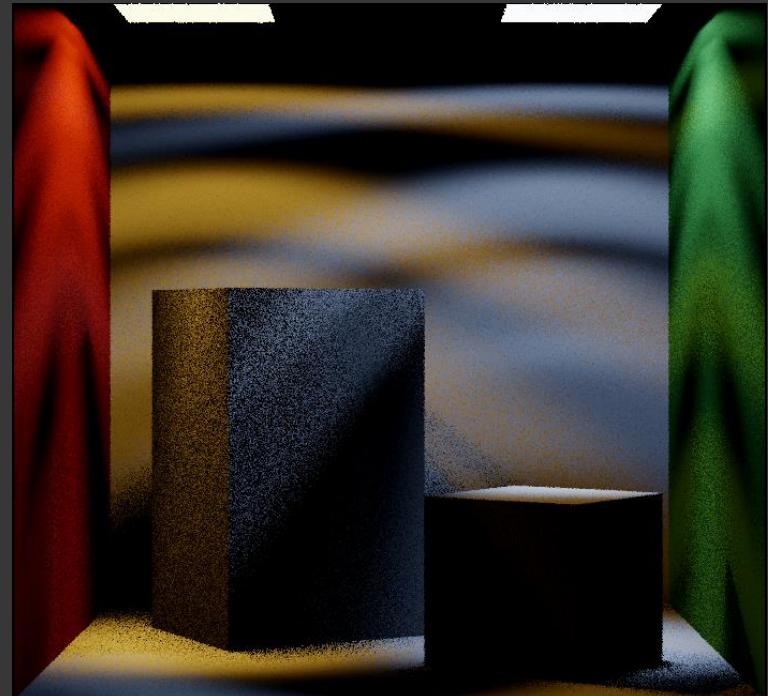


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Uniform Solid Angle Sampling



Ours



10x speedup

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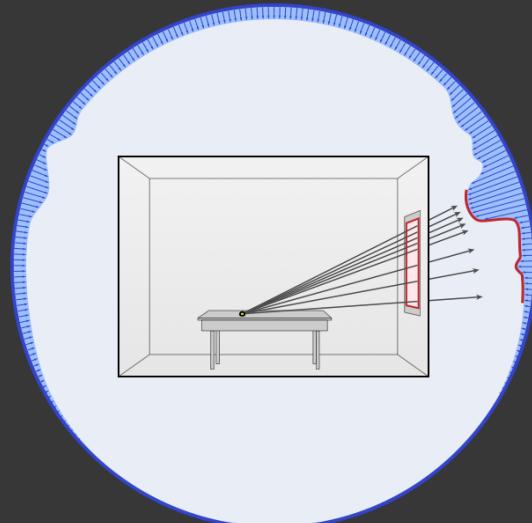
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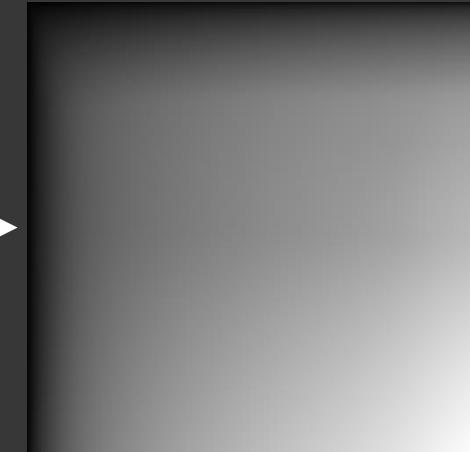
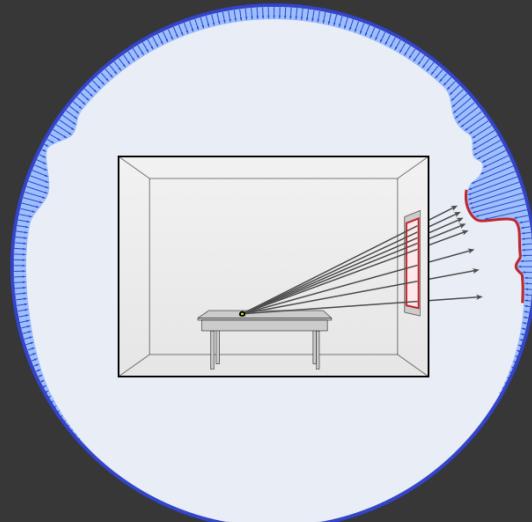
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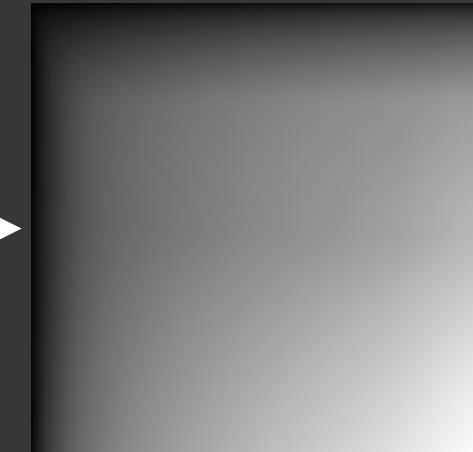
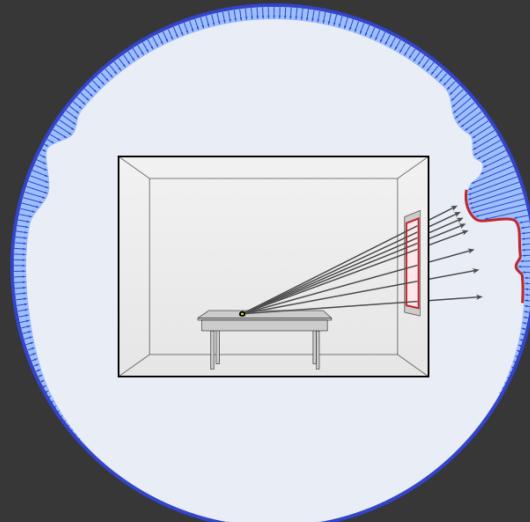
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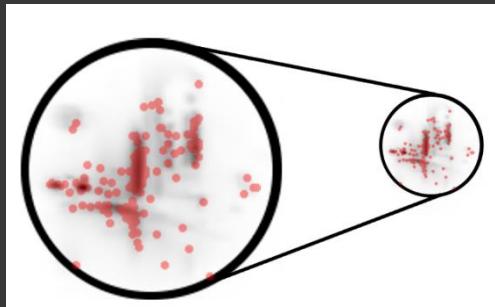
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Future Work

Incorporate BRDF:
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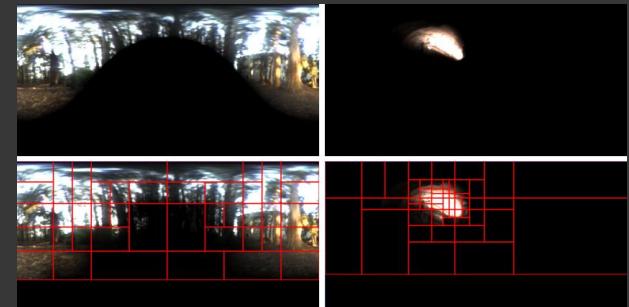
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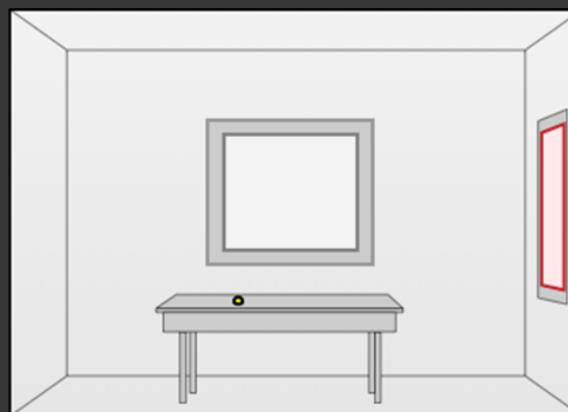
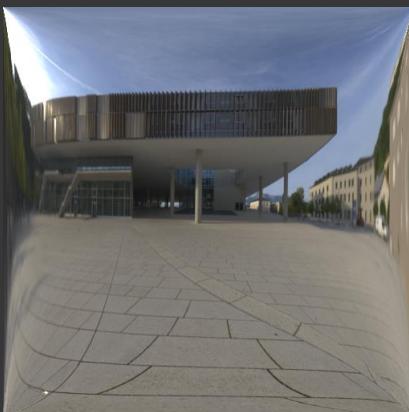
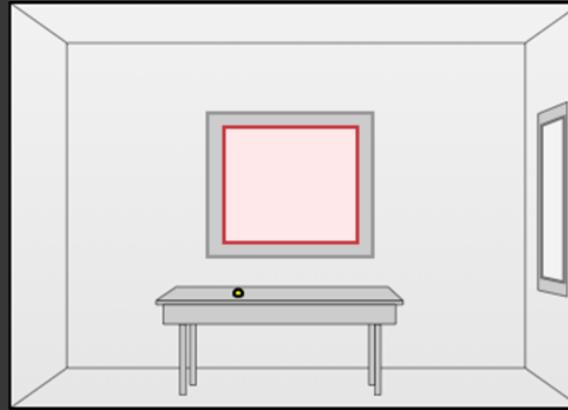
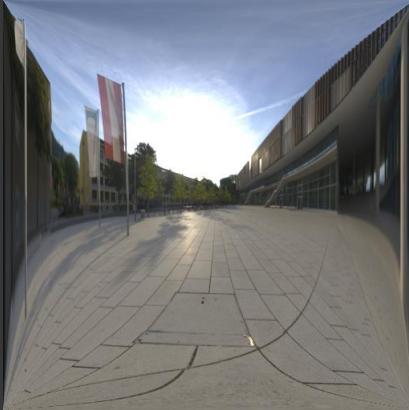
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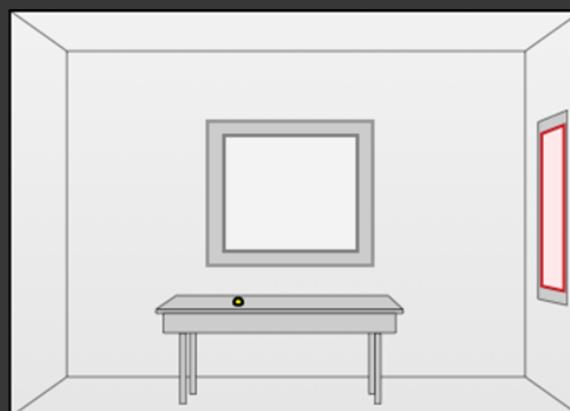
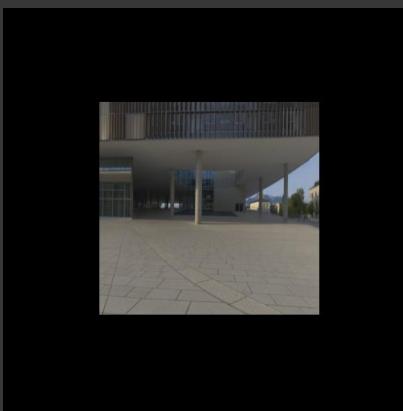
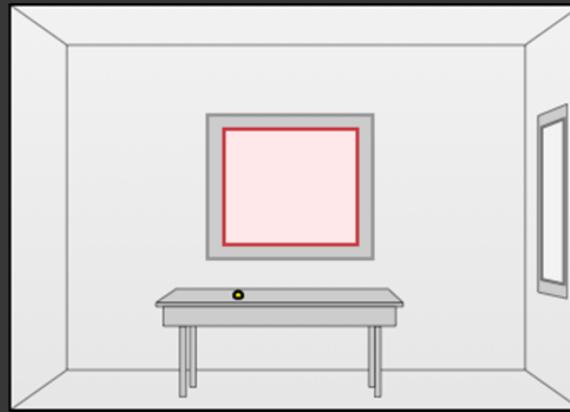
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Bonus Slides

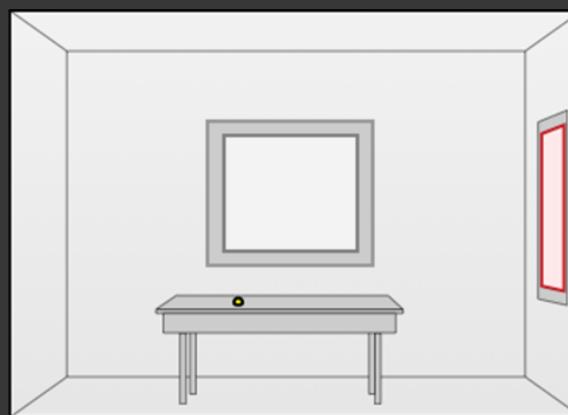
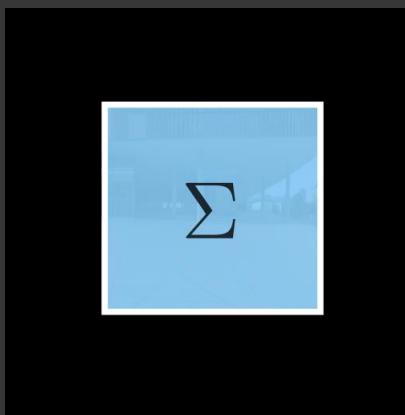
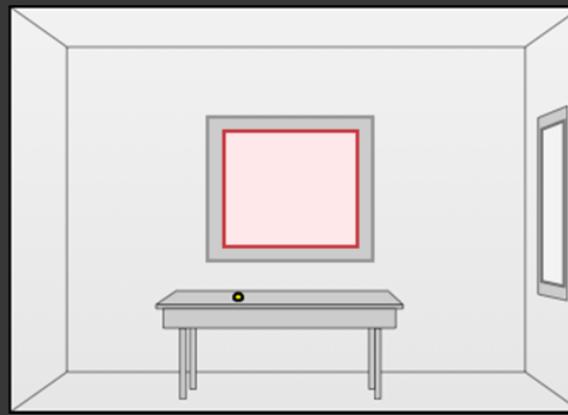
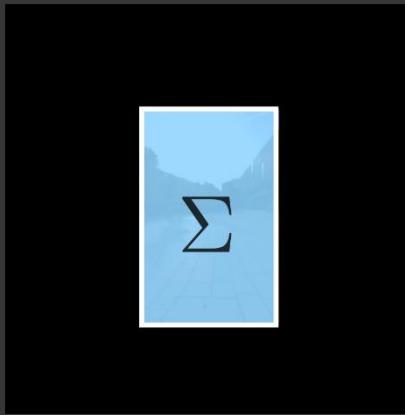
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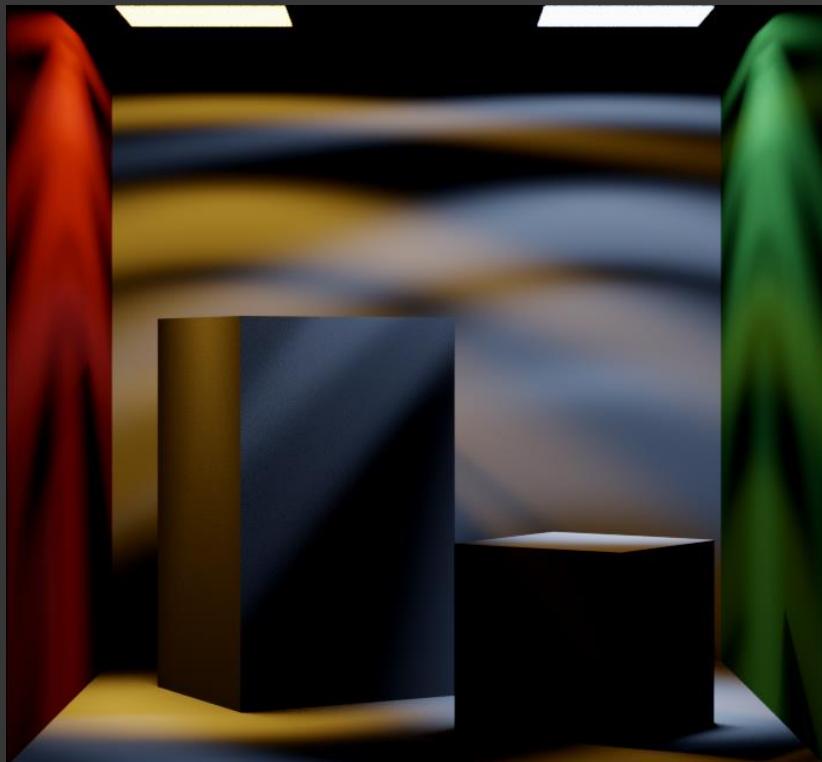


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Scene



Sample Allocation

