



BSDF GENERATION AND USE IN ANNUAL, MATRIX-BASED DAYLIGHT SIMULATIONS WITH RADIANCE

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„I love BSDFs.“

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BSDF simulation with genBSDF and WINDOW7

BSDF Basics

BSDF, BTDF, BRDF, ... ?

BSDF bidirectional scattering distribution function

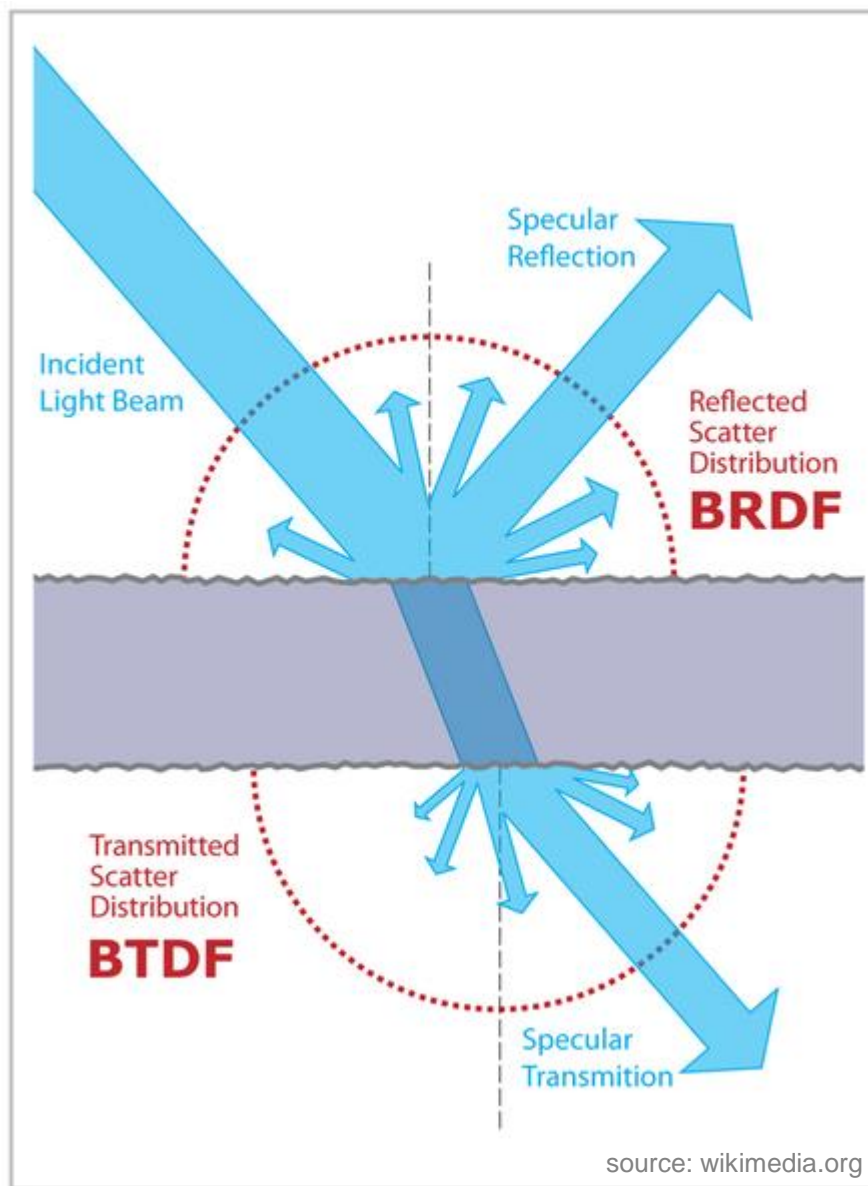
BRDF bidirectional reflection distribution function

BTDF bidirectional transmission distribution function

BSSDF bidirectional (sub)surface scattering distribution function

„BSDF = BRDF + BTDF“

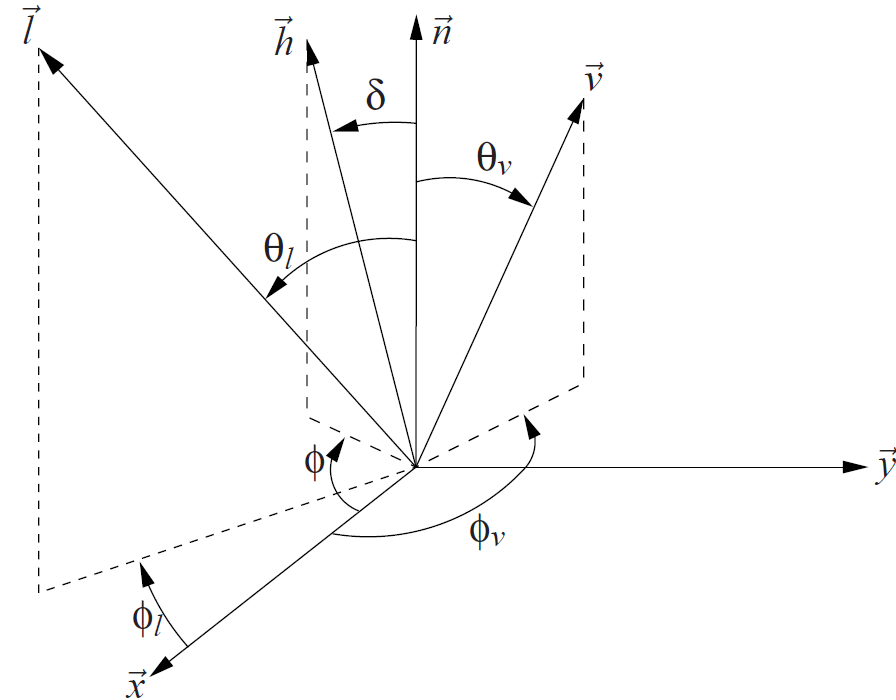
we are talking about **data-driven** BSDFs!



Rendering equation

$$L_v(\theta_v, \phi_v) = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} L_l(\theta_l, \phi_l) f(\theta_l, \phi_l; \theta_v, \phi_v) \cos \theta_l \sin \theta_l d\theta_l d\phi_l$$

(θ_l, ϕ_l)	light source direction
(θ_v, ϕ_v)	view point direction
$f(\theta_l, \phi_l; \theta_v, \phi_v)$	BSDF
$L_l(\theta_l, \phi_l)$	radiance in light source direction
$L_v(\theta_v, \phi_v)$	radiance in view direction



further reading:

Kajiya J. T.: The rendering equation. SIGGRAPH Comput. Graph. 20, 4 (1986), 143–150.

Nicodemus et al.: Geometrical Considerations and Nomenclature for Reflectance. NBS Monograph 160, U. S. Dept. of Commerce, 1977.

Physical plausibility

i. Positivity:

$$f(\theta_l, \phi_l; \theta_v, \phi_v) \geq 0$$

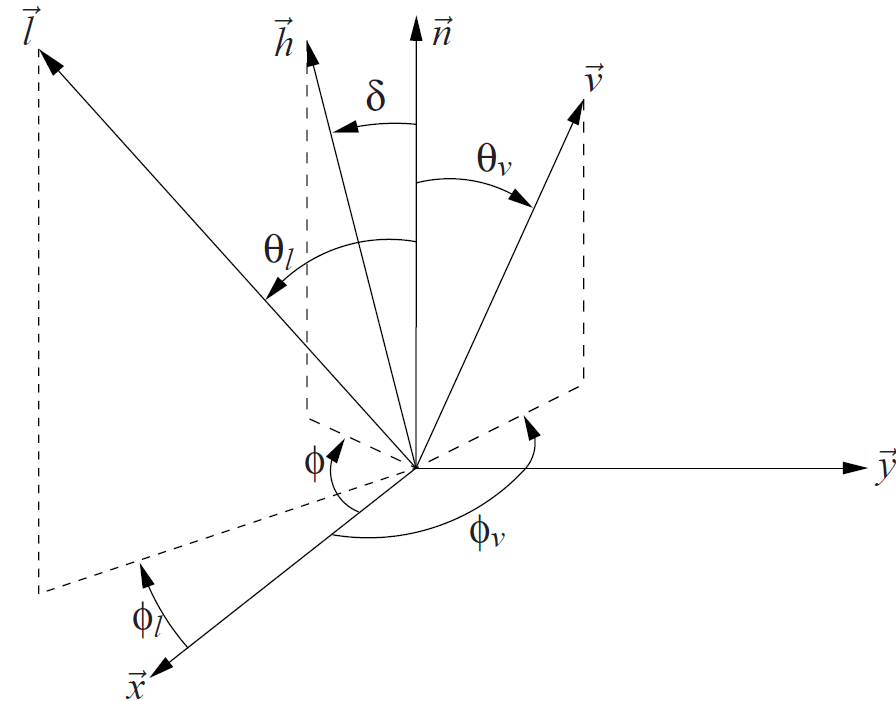
ii. Helmholtz reciprocity:

$$f(\theta_l, \phi_l; \theta_v, \phi_v) = f(\theta_v, \phi_v; \theta_l, \phi_l)$$

iii. energy balance:

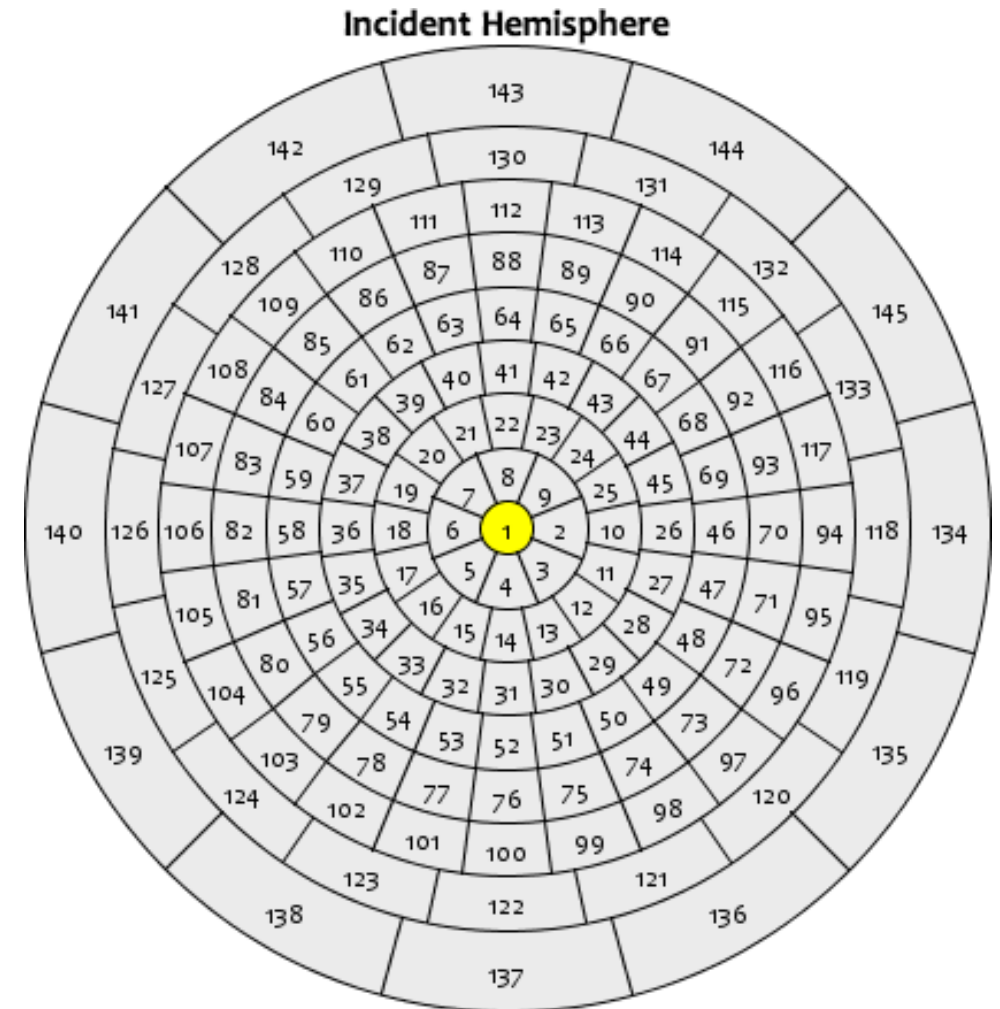
albedo bounded by 1

$$a(\theta_l, \phi_l) = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} f(\theta_l, \phi_l; \theta_v, \phi_v) \cos \theta_v \sin \theta_v d\theta_v d\phi_v \leq 1$$



Klems' discretization

- subdivision of hemisphere into 145 patches
- approx. equal illuminance from each patch if luminance is constant in hemisphere
- 9 θ ranges $\{0^\circ\text{-}5^\circ, 5^\circ\text{-}15^\circ, 15^\circ\text{-}25^\circ, 25^\circ\text{-}35^\circ, 35^\circ\text{-}45^\circ, 45^\circ\text{-}55^\circ, 55^\circ\text{-}65^\circ, 65^\circ\text{-}75^\circ, 75^\circ\text{-}90^\circ\}$
- φ subdivisions per θ range $\{1, 8, 16, 20, 24, 24, 24, 16, 12\}$
- average solid angle $2\pi/145 = 0.0433$ sr,
i.e. cone with $2 \times 6.73^\circ$ apex angle $[2\pi \cdot (1 - \cos(\alpha/2)) = 2\pi/145]$



further reading:

Klems J.H.: A new method for predicting the solar heat gain of complex fenestration systems; Overview and derivation of the matrix layer calculation. ASHRAE Transactions 100 (1), 1994

Load a BSDF XML file

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Equidistant

Orthographic

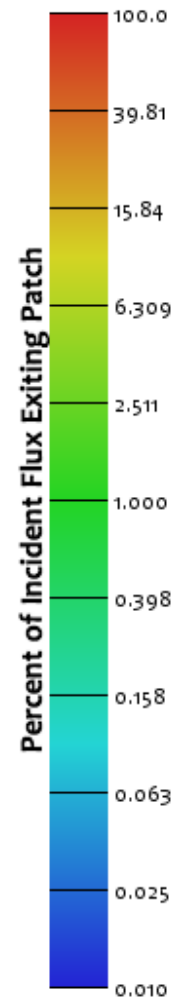
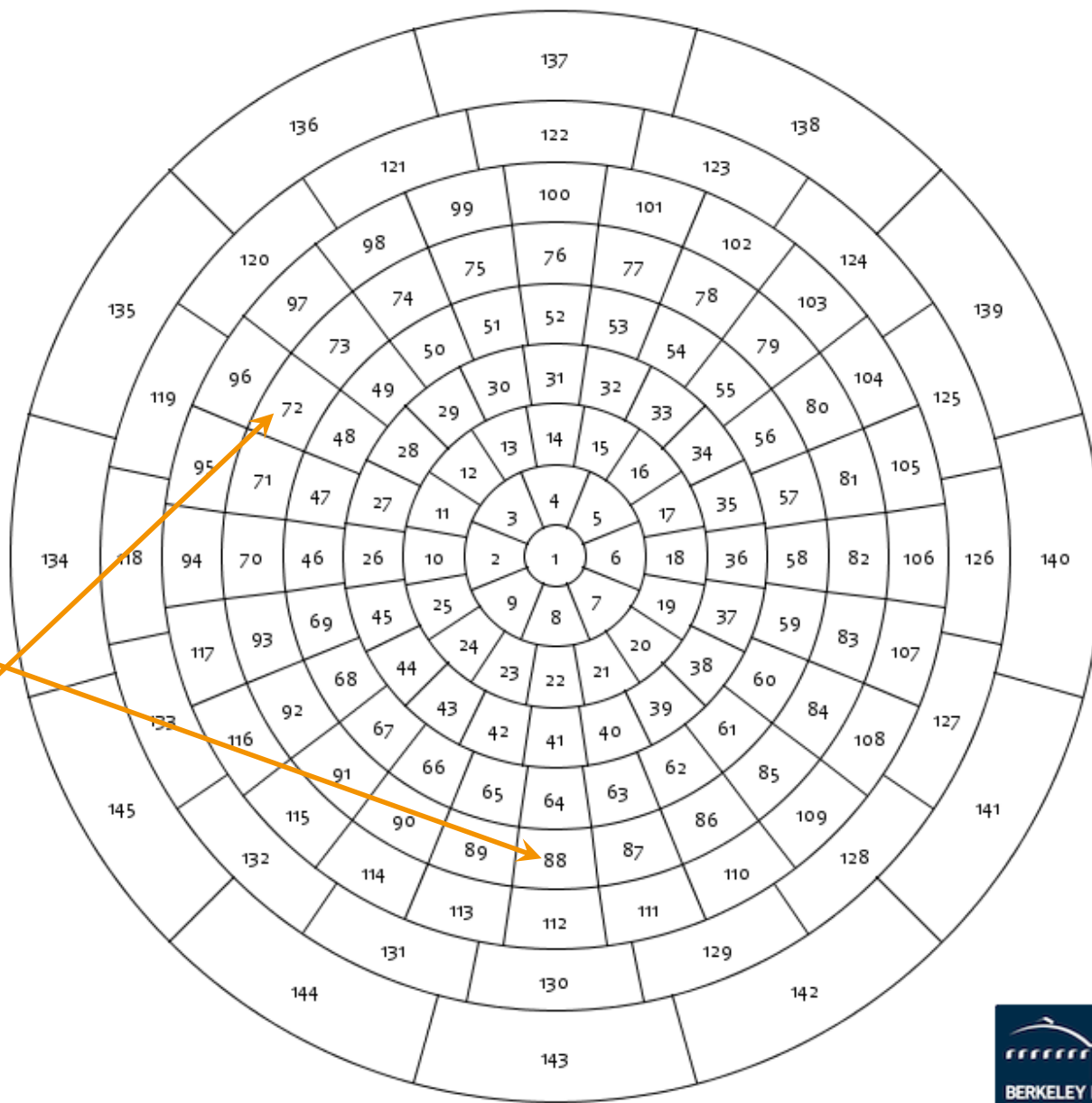
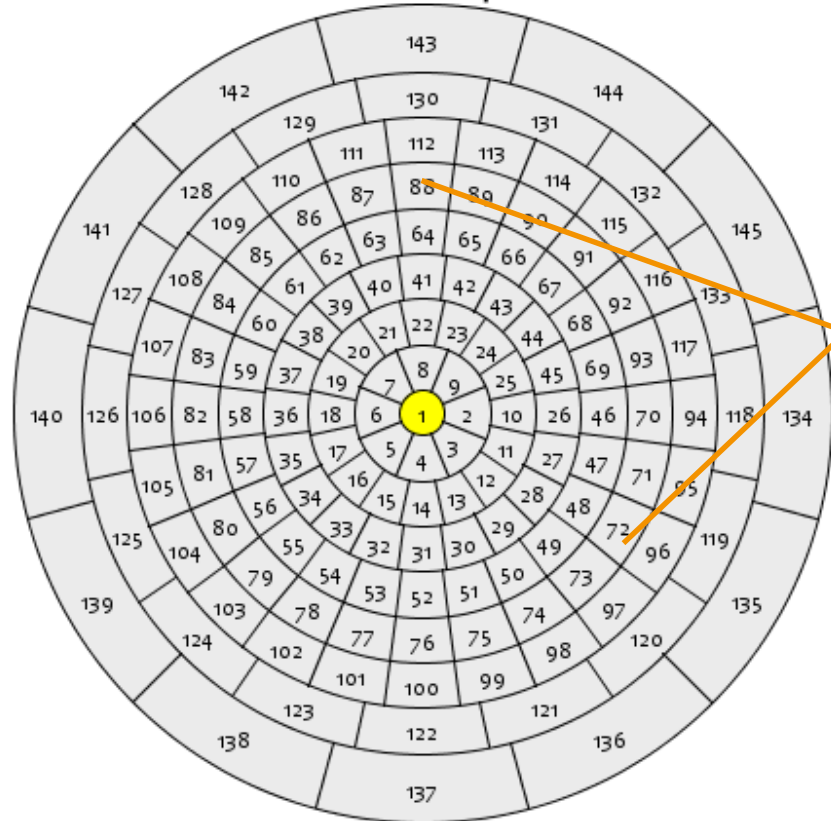
Log Scale

Linear Scale

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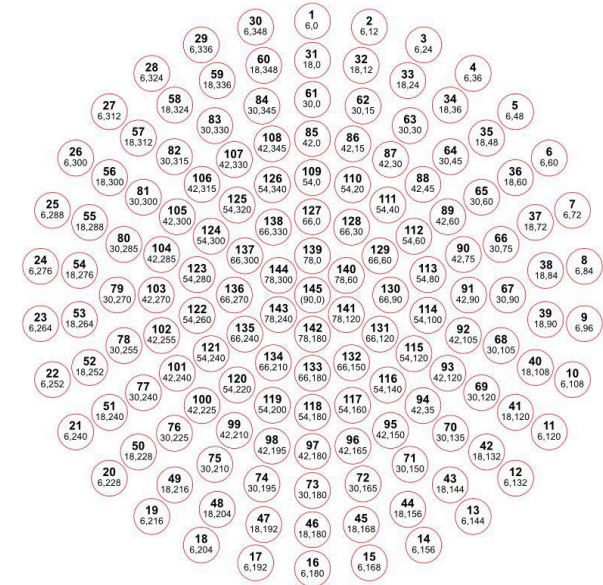
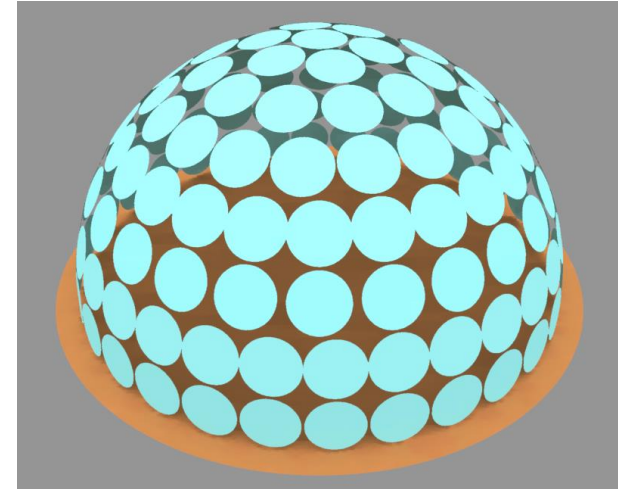
Number of Decades: 4

Incident Hemisphere



Tregenza scheme (CIE 108-1994)

- subdivision of hemisphere into 145 patches
- approx. equal solid angles for each patch
- 8 θ ranges $\{0^\circ\text{-}6^\circ, 6^\circ\text{-}18^\circ, 18^\circ\text{-}30^\circ, 30^\circ\text{-}42^\circ, 42^\circ\text{-}54^\circ, 54^\circ\text{-}66^\circ, 66^\circ\text{-}78^\circ, 78^\circ\text{-}90^\circ\}$
- φ subdivisions per θ range $\{1, 6, 12, 18, 24, 24, 30, 30\}$
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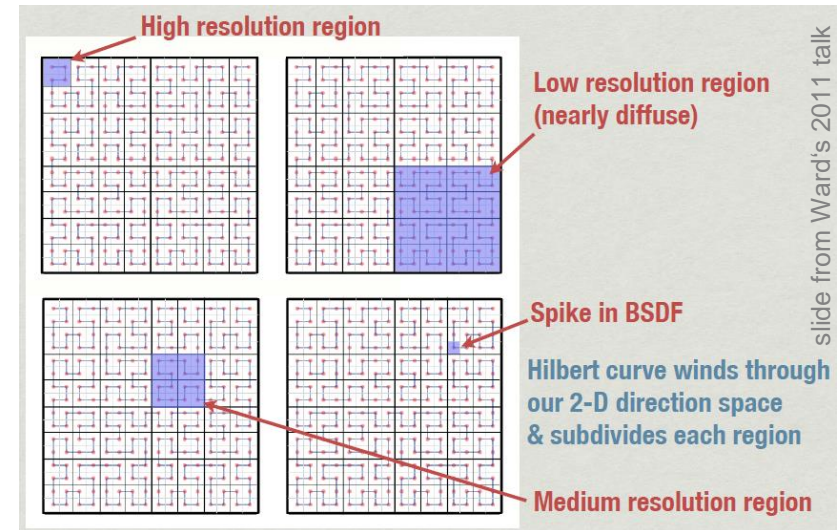
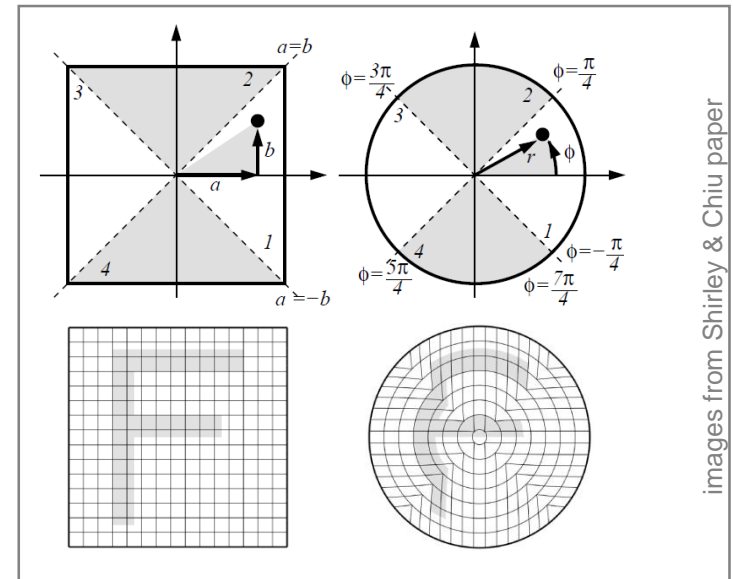


further reading:
CIE 108-1994: Guide to Recommended Practice of Daylight Measurement, 1994

BSDF Basics – Discretizations

Variable resolution („tensor tree“)

- idea: high resolution for spikey regions
low resolution for smooth regions
- based on Shirley-Chiu-mapping
(preserves fractional area, i.e. projected solid angle)
- maximum dimensions in 4D $2^{2n} \times 2^{2n}$
($n = 4 / 5 / 6: 256^2 / 1024^2 / 4096^2$)
- + efficient data structure (ideal diffuse reflector needs 1 value $\{1/\pi\}$)
- – no matrix structure (needed for daylight coefficient approach)



further reading:

Shirley P., Chiu K.: A Low Distortion Map between Map and Square, Journal of Graphics Tools 2(3), 1977

Ward G.: Presentations at the 10th Radiance Workshop, radiance-online.org/community/workshops/2011-berkeley-ca

Ward G. et al.: Reducing Anisotropic BSDF Measurement to Common Practice," Workshop on Material Appearance Modeling, 2014

XML file format

- definition of data discretization in header
- data blocks interpreted by software accordingly

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Established data formats

name	input resolution	output resolution	currently used by software
WINDOW6 standard basis	Klems (145)	Klems (145)	WINDOW7, Relux, Radiance
IEA 21	Tregenza (145)	5deg full, i.e. 5°x5° (1297)	Relux, Radiance, Dialux*
Shirley-Chiu	variable (limitation through data size)	variable (limitation through data size)	Radiance

BSDF Generation (i) – genBSDF

Workflow

1. Generate Radiance geometry → system.rad

Example: Rhino 3D → *.obj, obj2rad

but can also be: Radiance tools, CAD, text editor, ...

2. Define Radiance material(s) for system → system.mat

Example: Radiance plastic materials

but can also be: any Radiance material, e.g. BSDF of base material

3. Run genBSDF on Radiance scene

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genBSDF system.mat system.rad > system.xml
```

Example files: Folder 01_genBSDF in

https://bartenbach-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/p/geisler-moroder_david/EoAgk3OW_6VPnMebT8VJwWIBXs4SSsYwLayYG6yoyJMoCQ?e=v0KPtT

further reading:

A.McNeil: genBSDF Tutorial, online: https://www.radiance-online.org/learning/tutorials/Tutorial-genBSDF_v1.0.1.pdf

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geisler-moroder@ws313:BSDF>  
geisler-moroder@ws313:BSDF>./00_run_genBSDF.sh  
Mon Aug 12 16:27:45 CEST 2019  
Running genBSDF on blinds_20deg for Klems...  
Recover using: /usr/local/bin/genBSDF -recover /tmp/genBSDF.9riY2H  
█
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Some important options

- -c: samples per incident patch
- -r: rcontrib options
- -dim: system dimensions
- -t3/4: tensor tree BSDFs
- -t: reduce data in tensor tree BSDF (hidden option)

Text editor

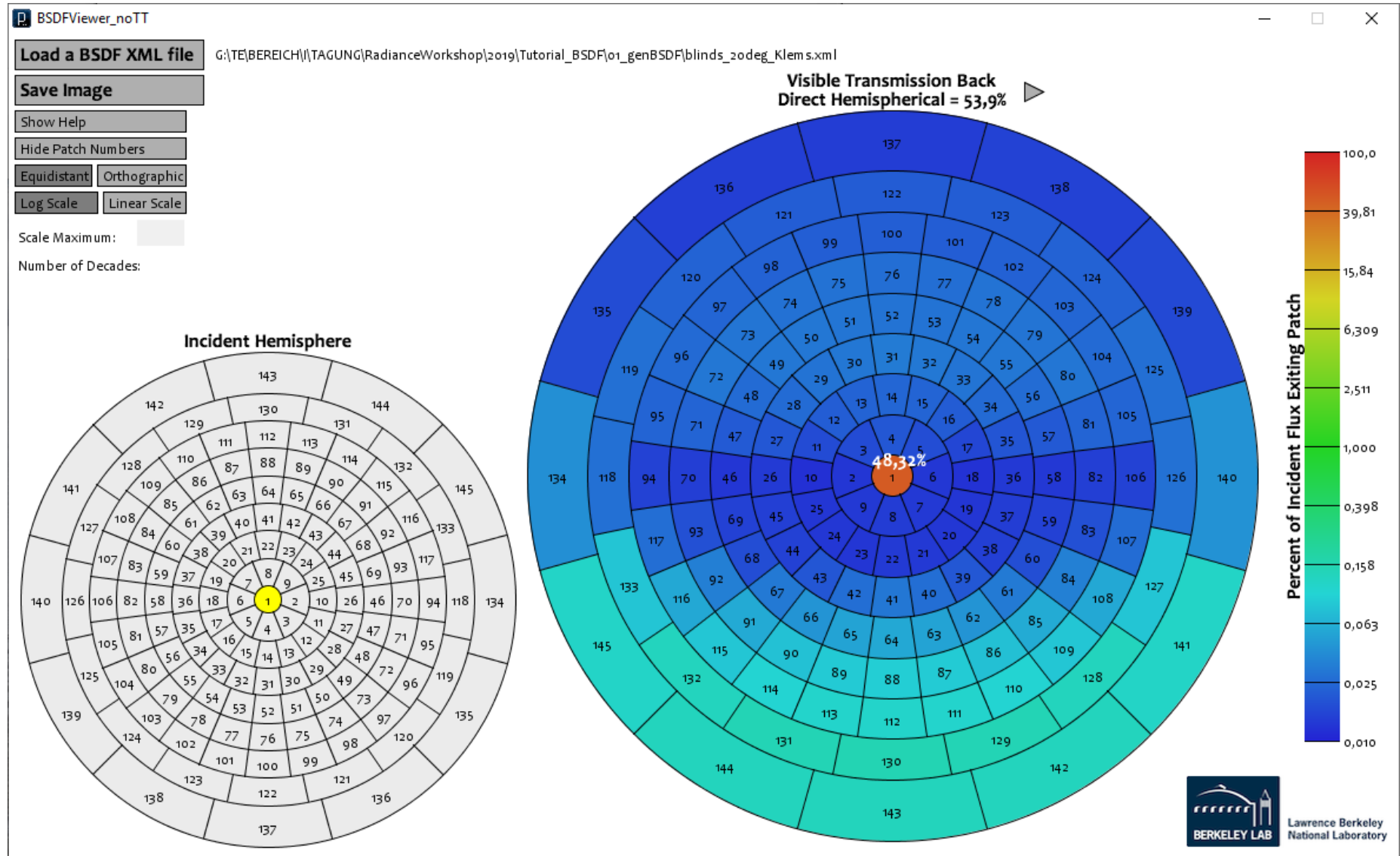
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Viewing BSDFs



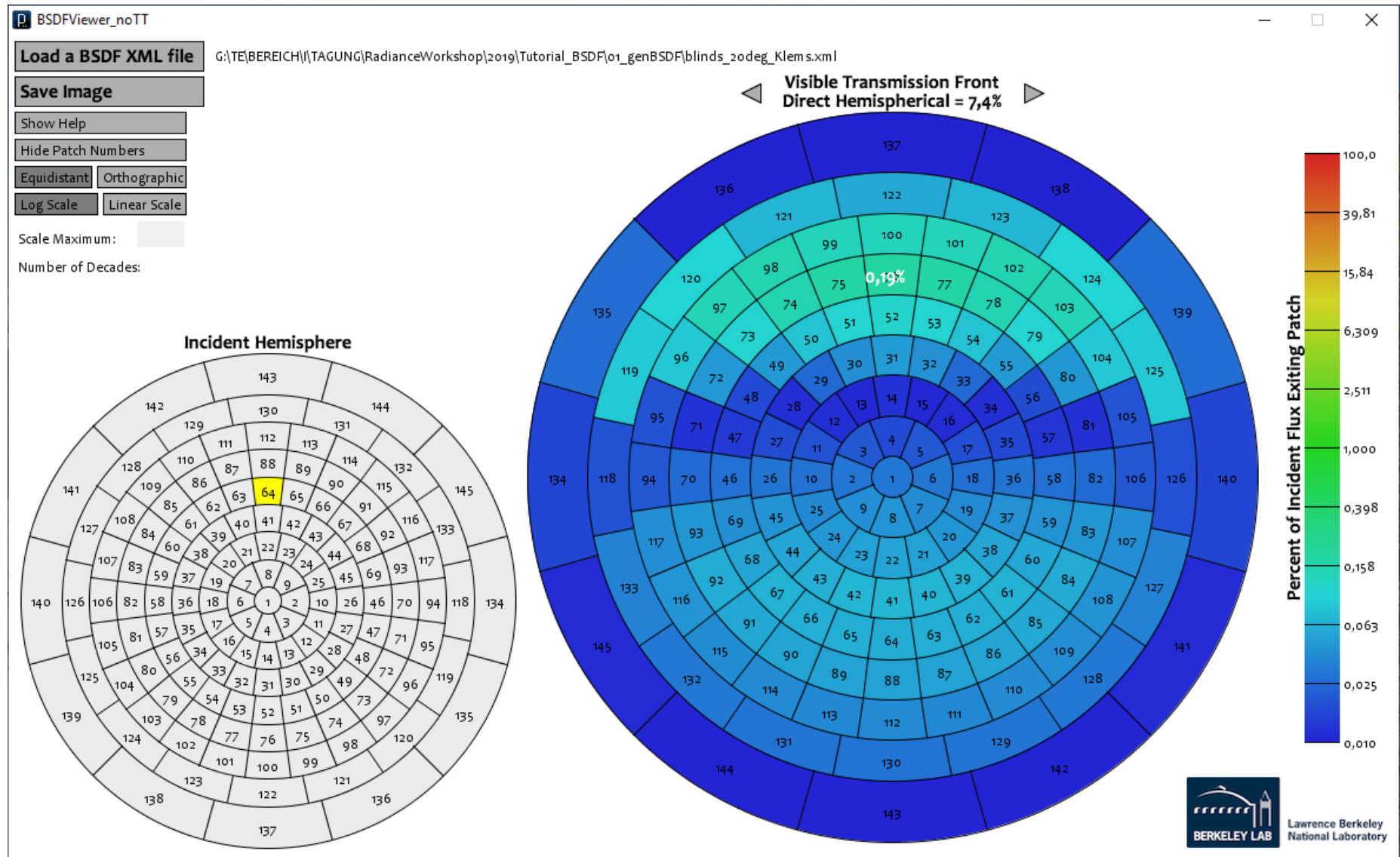
BSDFViewer



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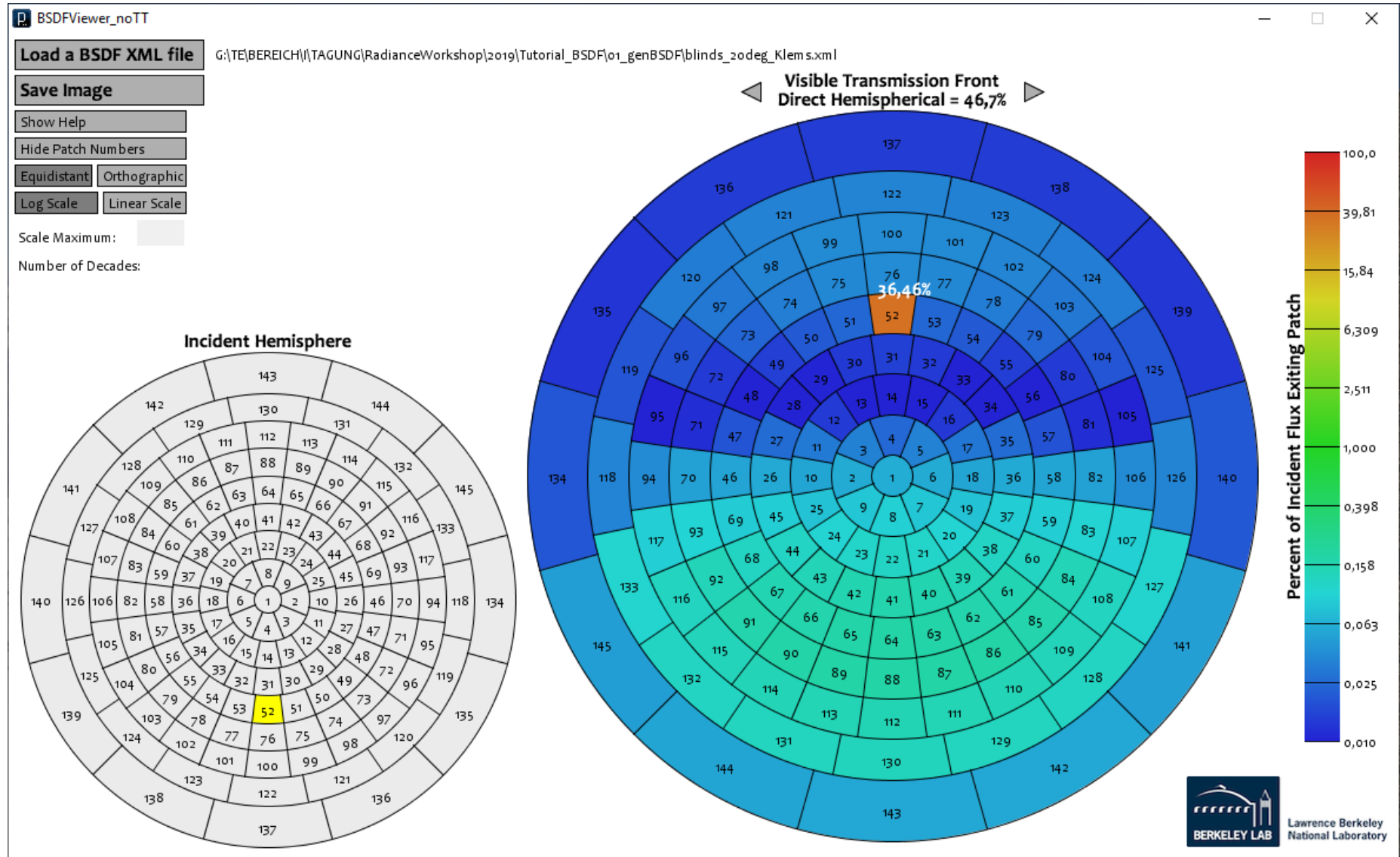
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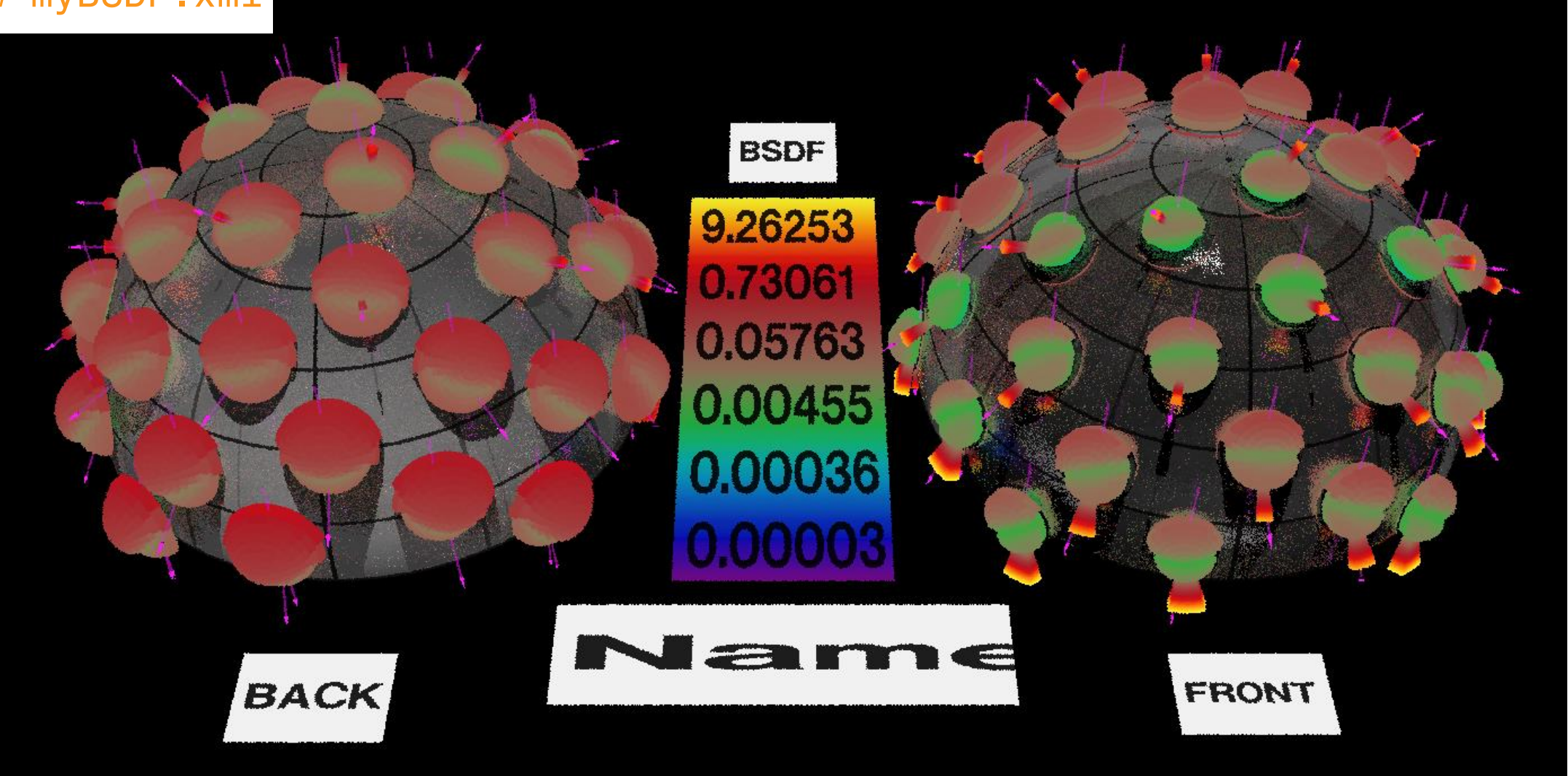


Viewing BSDFs



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bsdfview myBSDF.xml
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def: back and front reflection



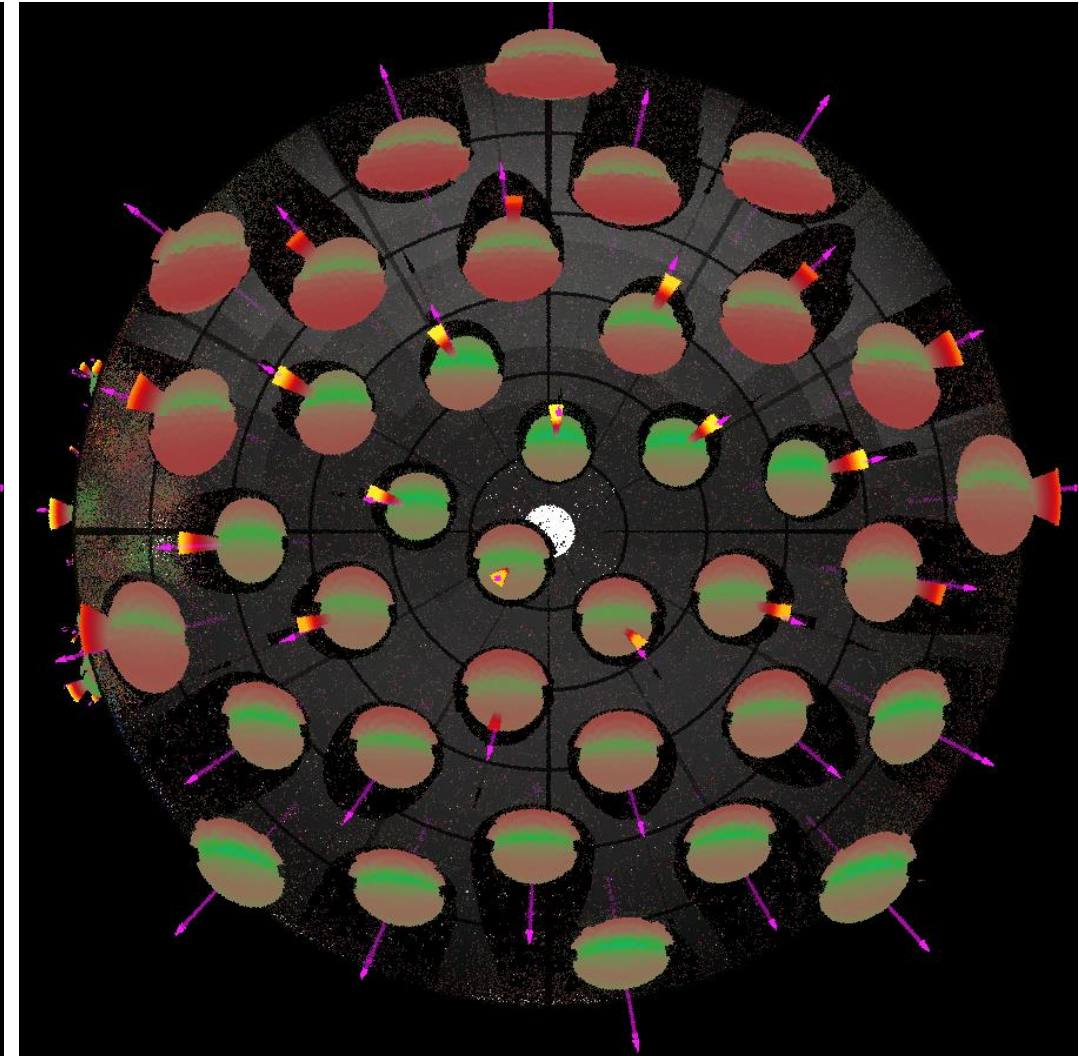
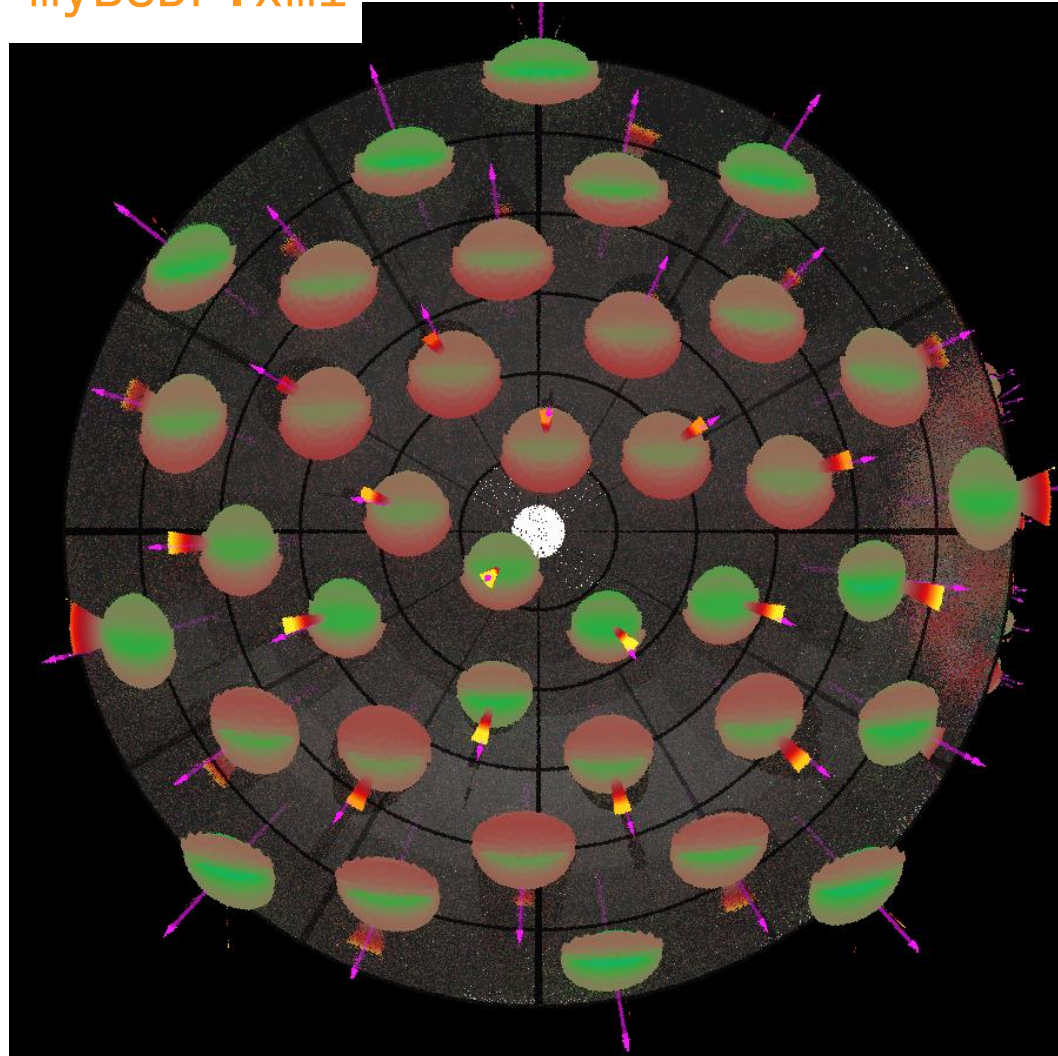
Viewing BSDFs



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front transmission

back transmission



Definition of system

- a) Selection of system from CGDB
- b) Geometrical modeling of blinds
- c) Definition via XML file

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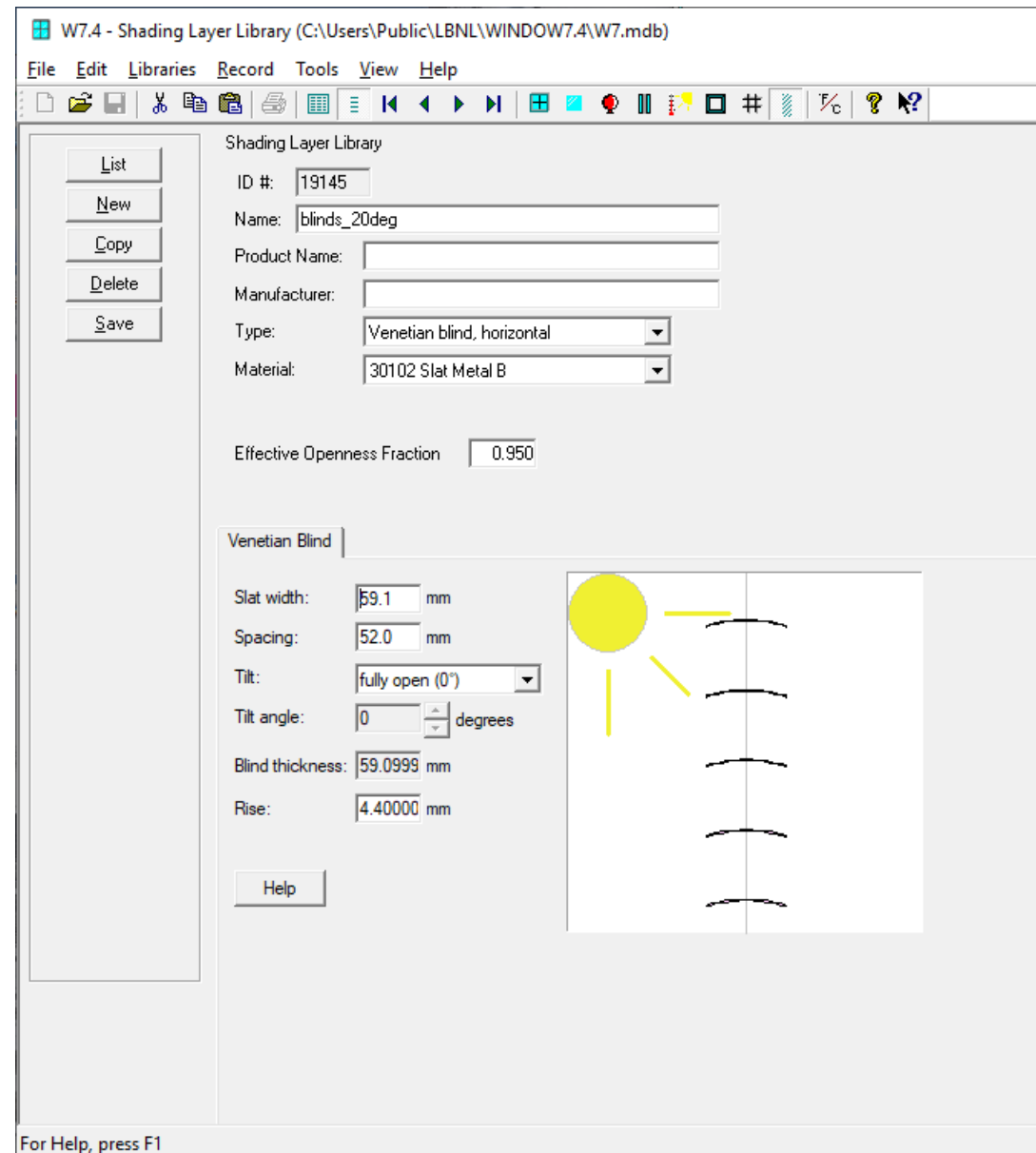
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BSDF Generation (ii) – WINDOW7



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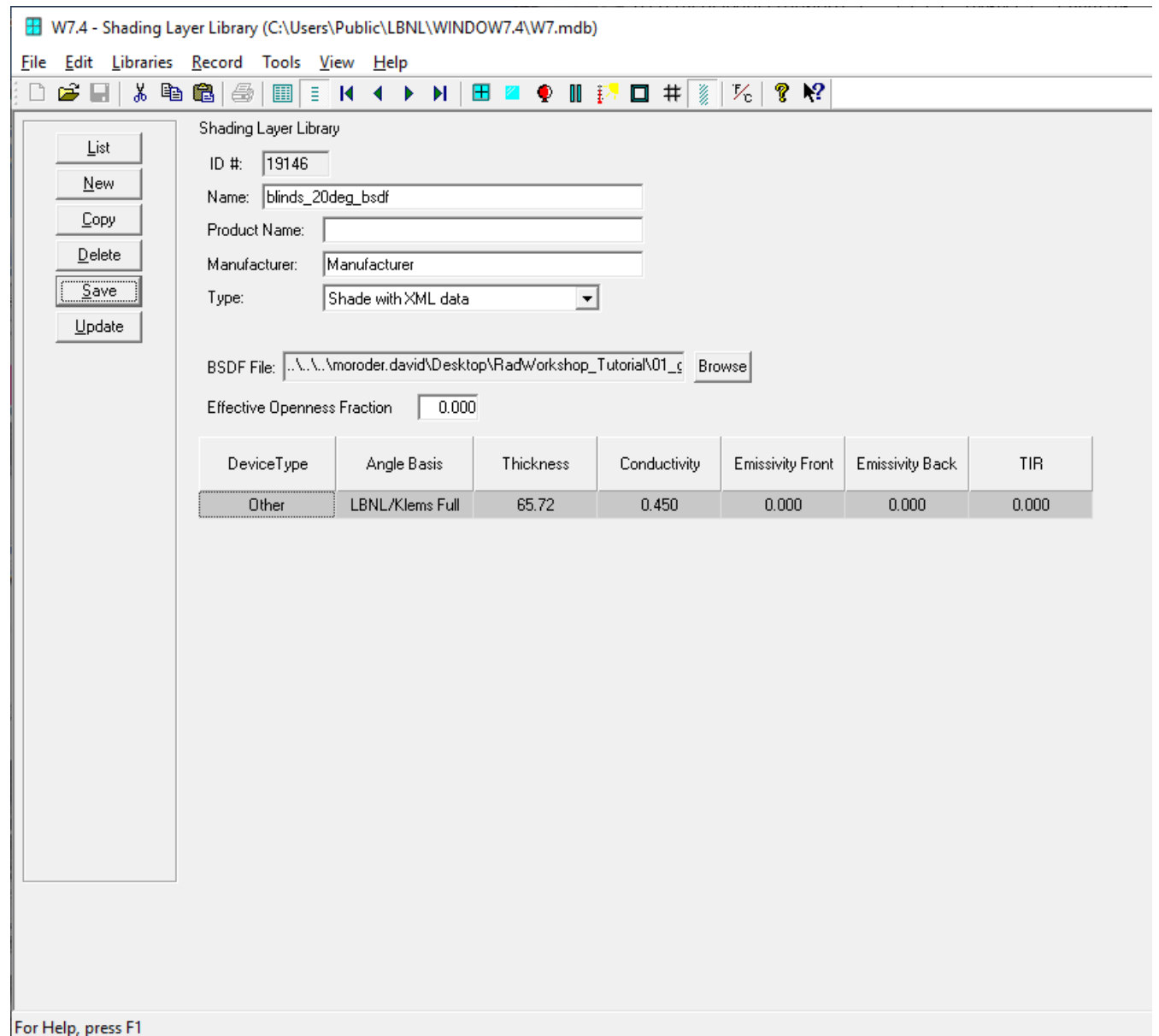


BSDF Generation (ii) – WINDOW7



Definition of system

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BSDF Generation (ii) – WINDOW7



Setup of IGU

W7.4 - Glazing System Library (C:\Users\Public\LBNL\WINDOW7.4\W7.mdb)

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ID #: 305 Name: blinds_20deg_glazing
 # Layers: 3 Tilt: 90 ° IG Height: 1000.0(mm
 Environmental Conditions: CEN IG Width: 1000.0(mm
 Comment:
 Overall thickness: 96.800 mm Mode: # Model Deflection

	ID	Name	Mode	Thick	Flip	Tsol	Rsol1	Rsol2	Tvis	Rvis1	Rvis2	Tir	E1	E2	Cond	Dtop (mm)	Dbot (mm)	Drigt (mm)	Dleft (mm)
▼	Shade 1 ▶▶	19145 blinds_20deg		59.1												0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Gap 1 ▶▶	1 Air		10.0															
▼	Glass 2 ▶▶	4493 clearlite_6.gvb	#	5.8	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.847	0.075	0.075	0.895	0.080	0.080	0.000	0.840	0.840	1.000				
	Gap 2 ▶▶	9 Air (10%) / Argon (90%) t		16.0															
▼	Glass 3 ▶▶	4452 top11onclearlite_6.gvb	#	5.8	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.601	0.309	0.250	0.892	0.051	0.056	0.000	0.043	0.841	1.000				

Center of Glass Results | Temperature Data | Optical Data | Angular Data | Color Properties | Radiance Results

Ufactor	SC	SHGC	Rel. Ht. Gain	Tvis	Keff	Layer 1 Keff	Gap 1 Keff	Layer 2 Keff	Gap 2 Keff	Layer 3 Keff
W/m2-K			W/m2		W/m-K	W/m-K	W/m-K	W/m-K	W/m-K	W/m-K
?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

For Help, press F1

Calculation settings

The screenshot shows the 'Optical Calcs' tab of the WINDOW7 software interface. The window has a title bar with a close button (X) and a menu bar with the following options: Options, Thermal Calcs, Optical Calcs, Optical Data, Radiance, Deflection, and Updates.

The 'Optical calculation options' section contains the following settings:

- Use matrix method for specular systems (glazing systems without shading devices)
- Write CSV output file
- Write XML BSDF output
- Generate full spectrally-averaged matrix for:
 - Solar band
 - Visible band
- Spectral data: Condensed spectral data (dropdown)
- Number of visible bands: 5 (input field)
- Number of IR bands: 10 (input field)
- Angular basis: W6 standard basis (dropdown)

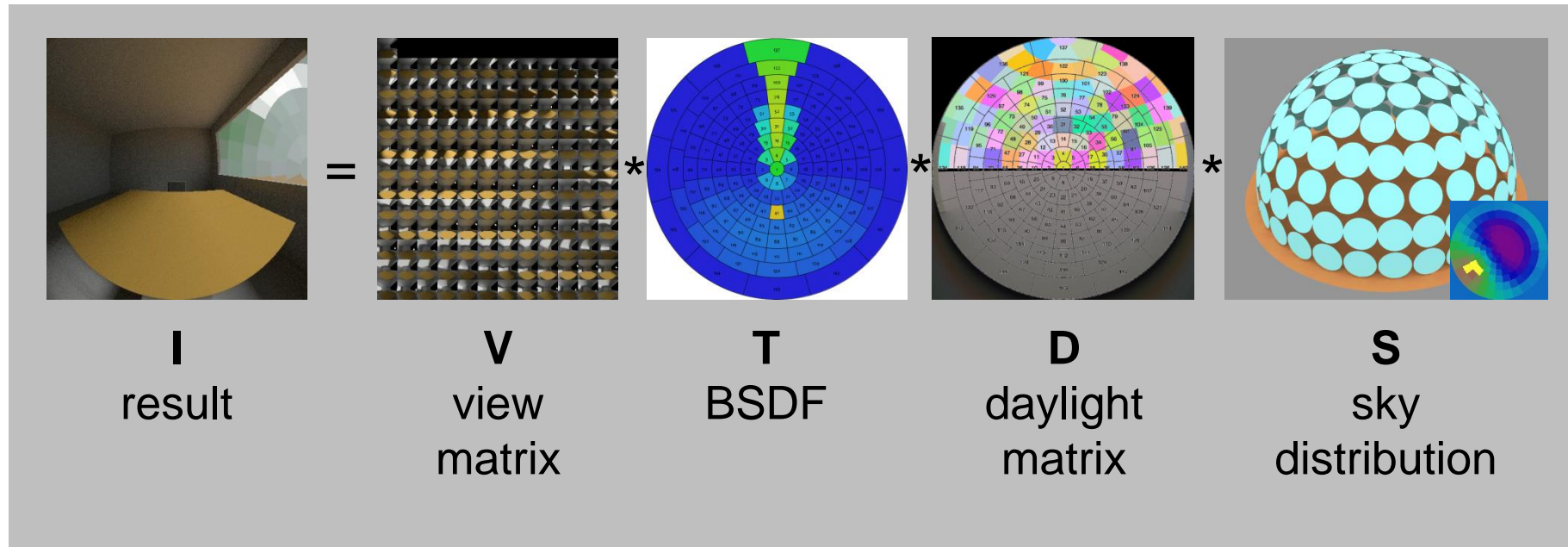
The 'Venetian blind calculation methods' section contains the following settings:

- Solar/Visible range: Directional diffuse (dropdown)
- FIR range: Directional diffuse (dropdown)
- # of segments: 5 (input field)

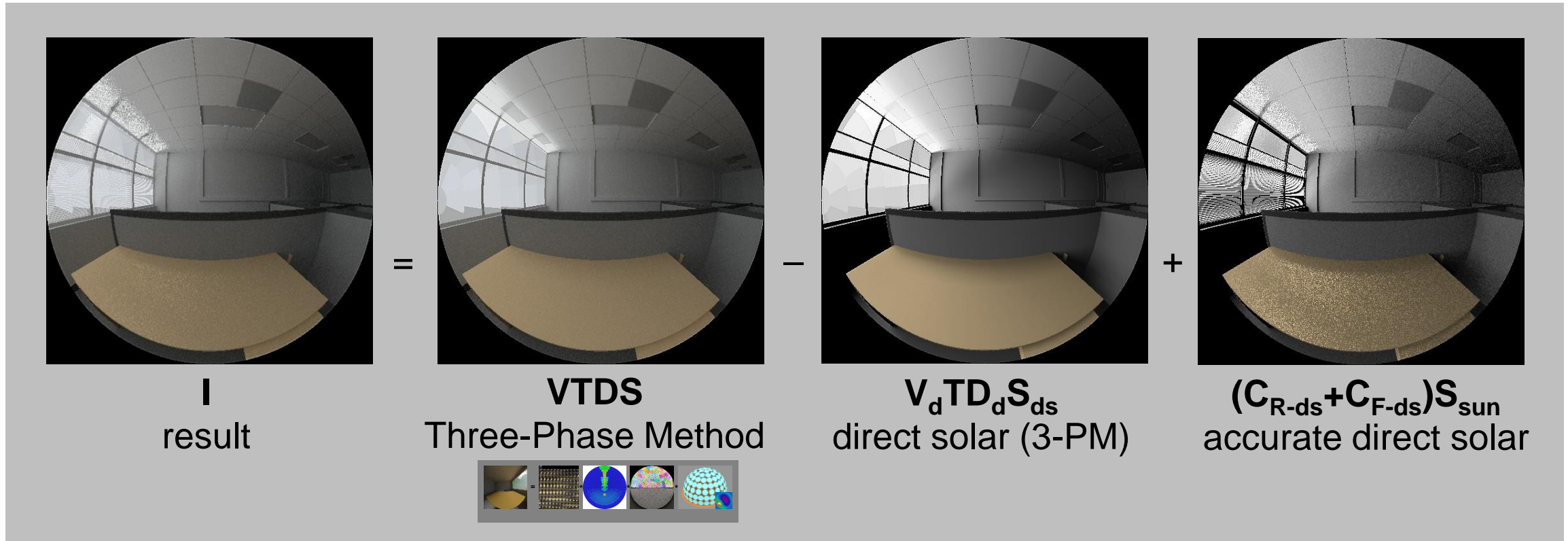
At the bottom of the window, there are four buttons: OK, Abbrechen, Übernehmen, and Hilfe.

Using BSDFs in matrix-based, annual simulations with Radiance

Three-Phase Method



$$I = VTDS$$



$$I = VTDS - V_d TD_d S_{ds} + (C_{R-ds} + C_{F-ds}) S_{sun}$$

Documentation

Manual:

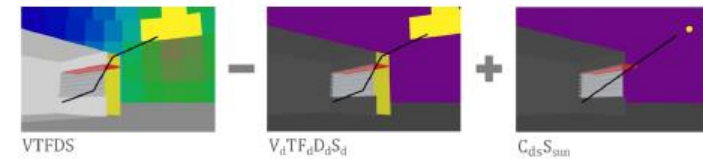
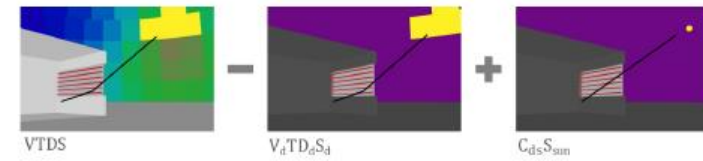
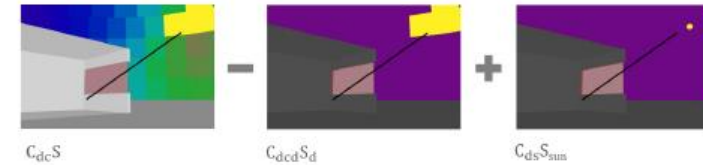
<https://www.radiance-online.org/learning/tutorials/matrix-based-methods>

Example files:

<https://www.radiance-online.org/learning/tutorials/radTutorialFiles-master.zip>



Daylighting Simulations with Radiance using Matrix-based Methods

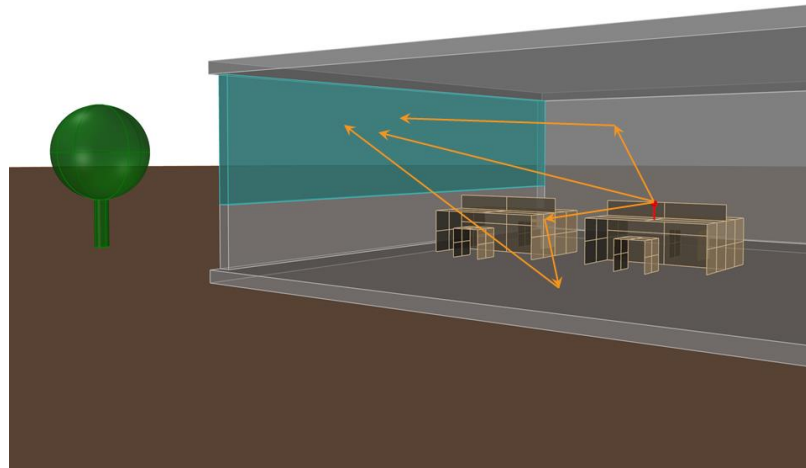
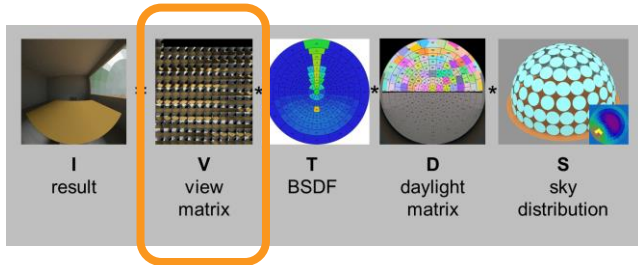


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includes

direct contribution
leaving the system
area

all reflected
components inside
room

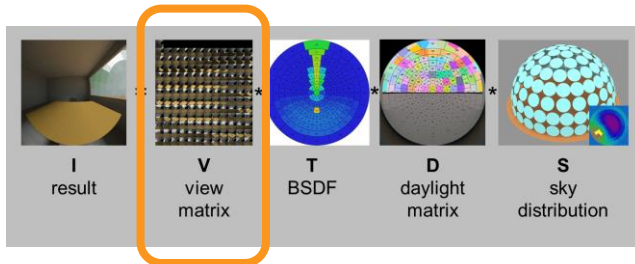
relevant settings

-ad
stochastic sampling
of façade area in
Klems subdivision

-ab n
account for all
relevant interior
interreflections

[-I]
irradiance calculation

Three-Phase Method



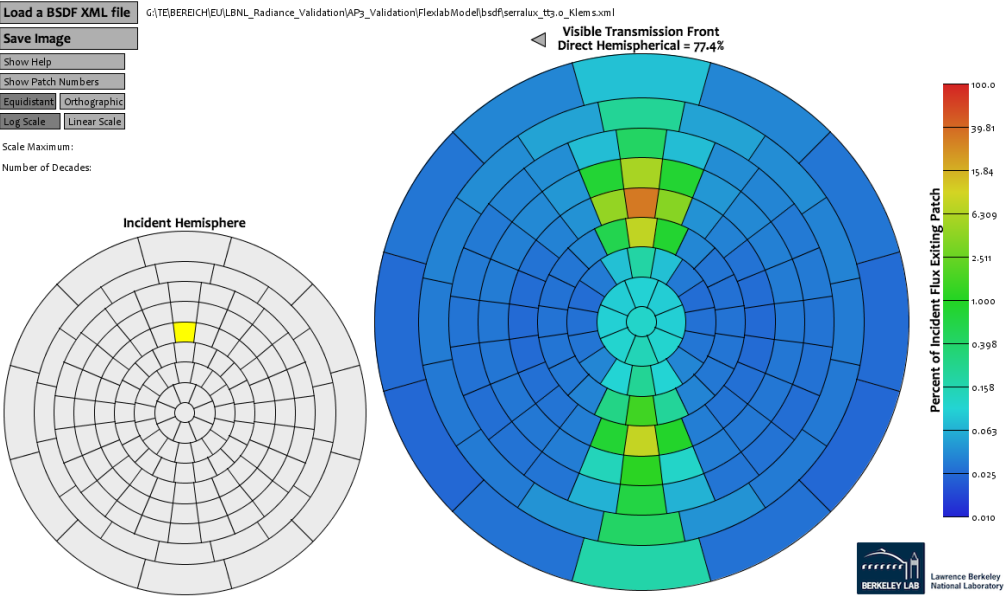
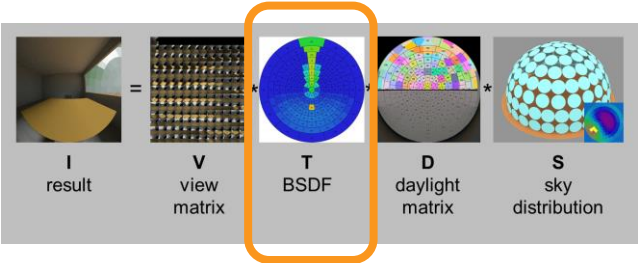
#illuminance sensors

```
rcopts=" -V- -n ${nprocs} -w- -I+ -ab 5 -ad 65536 -lw 1.0e-6 -faa "  
rfluxmtx ${rcopts} \  
  < pts/tutorial_workplane.pts - scene/tutorial_window_vmx_glow.rad \  
  scene/tutorial_room_3pm.rad \  
> matrices/tutorial_room_3pm_sensors.vmx
```

#images

```
rcopts=" -V- -n ${nprocs} -w- -ab 5 -ad 16384 -lw 1.0e-6 -ffc ,,  
res=500  
vwrays -ff -vf view/view_fish_p01.vf -x ${res} -y ${res} | \  
  rfluxmtx ${rcopts} `vwrays -vf view/view_fish_p01.vf -x ${res} -y ${res} -d` \  
  - scene/tutorial_window_vmx_glow_img.rad \  
  scene/tutorial_room_3pm.rad
```

Three-Phase Method



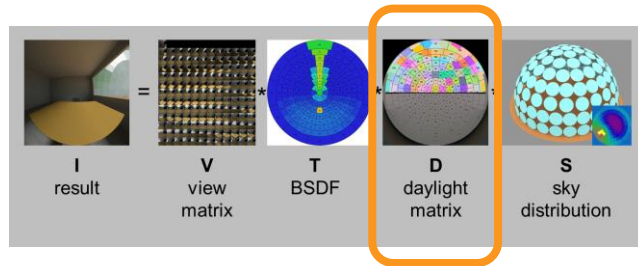
includes

all reflected components within the system

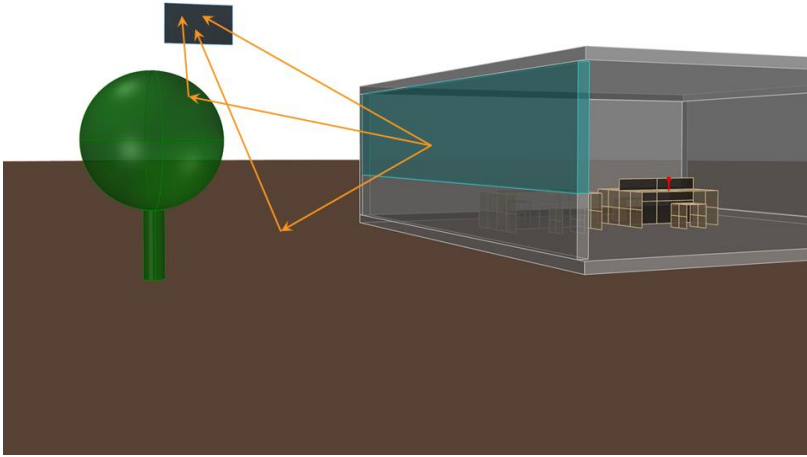
relevant settings

[in genBSDF]
-ab n & -lr ≥ n
 account for all relevant optical paths within the system

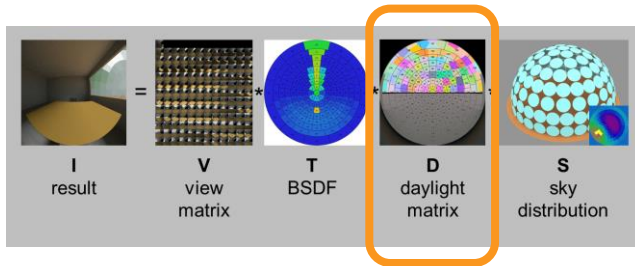
Three-Phase Method



includes	relevant settings
direct contribution from sky / distant ground to façade	<u>-ab n</u> account for all relevant exterior interreflections
all reflected components from surroundings	



Three-Phase Method



#illuminance sensors & images

```
sky_subdiv=4
```

```
rcopts=" -V- -n ${nprocs} -w- -ab 3 -ad 1024 -lw 1.0e-6 -faa "
```

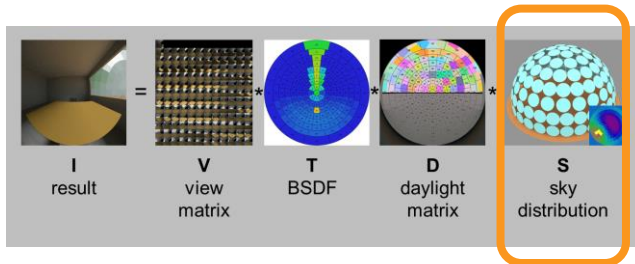
```
rfluxmtx ${rcopts} \
```

```
  scene/tutorial_window_dmx_dummy.rad misc/sky_glow1_rein${sky_subdiv}.rad \
```

```
  mat/tutorial_room.mat scene/tutorial_room.rad \
```

```
> matrices/tutorial_room_3pm_rein${sky_subdiv}.dmx
```

Three-Phase Method



#illuminance sensors & images

```
sky_subdiv=4
```

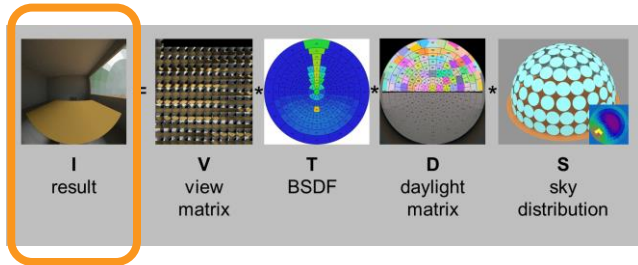
point in time

```
xform sky/NY_cie_sun_03211000.rad | genskyvec -m ${sky_subdiv} \  
> weather/NY_cie_sun_03211000.skyvec
```

time series

```
epw2wea weather/USA_NY_New.York-Central.Park.725033_TMY3.epw weather/NY_sky.wea \  
gendaymtx -m ${sky_subdiv} weather/NY_sky.wea > weather/NY_sky.smx
```

Three-Phase Method



```
var=blinds_20deg
weather=NY_sky
```

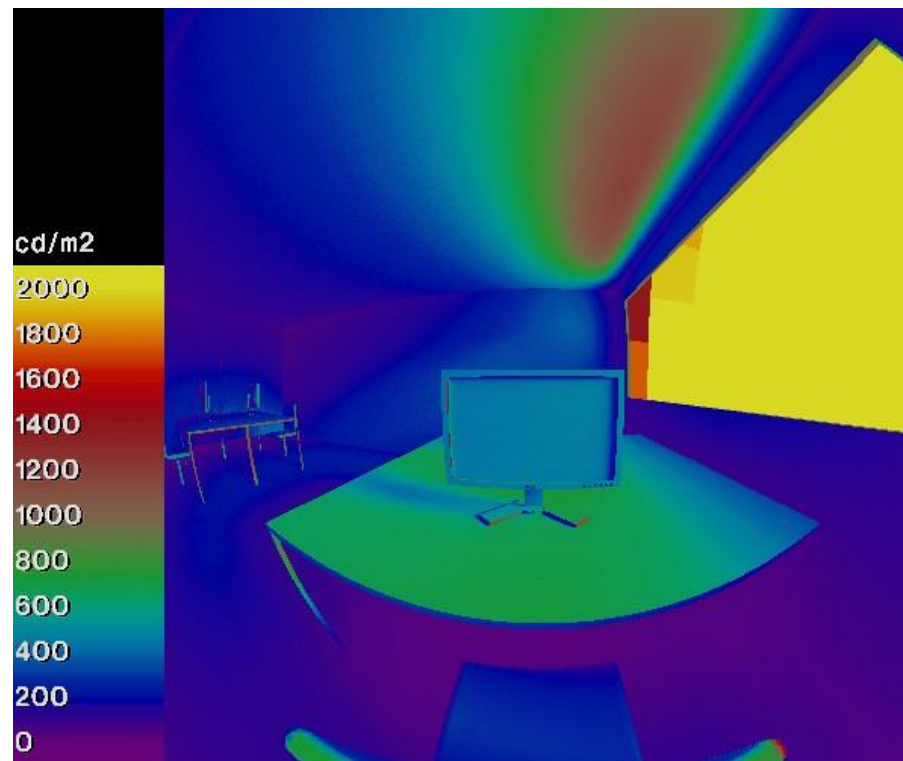
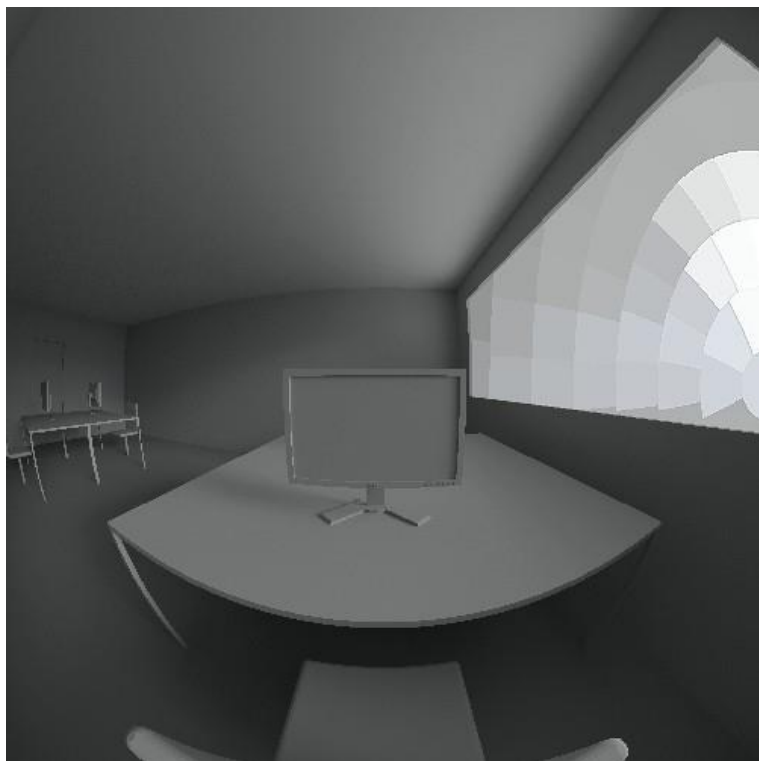
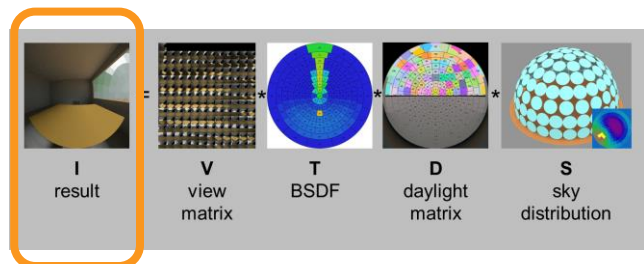
#illuminance sensors

```
dctimestep matrices/tutorial_room_3pm_sensors.vmx BSDF/${var}_Klems.xml \  
  matrices/tutorial_room_3pm_rein1.dmx weather/${weather}.smx \  
  > result/${var}_${weather}_3pm.dat  
rmtxop -fa -c 47.448 119.951 11.601 -t result/${var}_${weather}_3pm.dat \  
  > result/${var}_${weather}_3pm.ill
```

#images

```
dctimestep -o result/img_3pm/${var}_${weather}_%04d.hdr \  
  matrices/img_vmx/tutorial_room_%03d.hdr BSDF/${var}_Klems.xml \  
  matrices/tutorial_room_3pm_rein1.dmx weather/${weather}.smx
```

Three-Phase Method

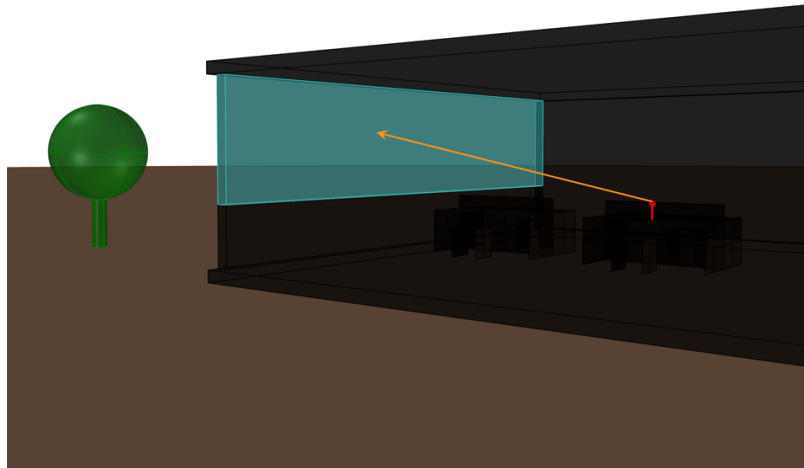


Five-Phase Method



a) direct view matrix

Sensors



Includes

direct contribution
leaving the
system area

relevant settings

-xform -m black
Set all interior surfaces to black to
avoid also specular reflections

-l
irradiance calculation

-ad
stochastic sampling of façade area
in Klems subdivision

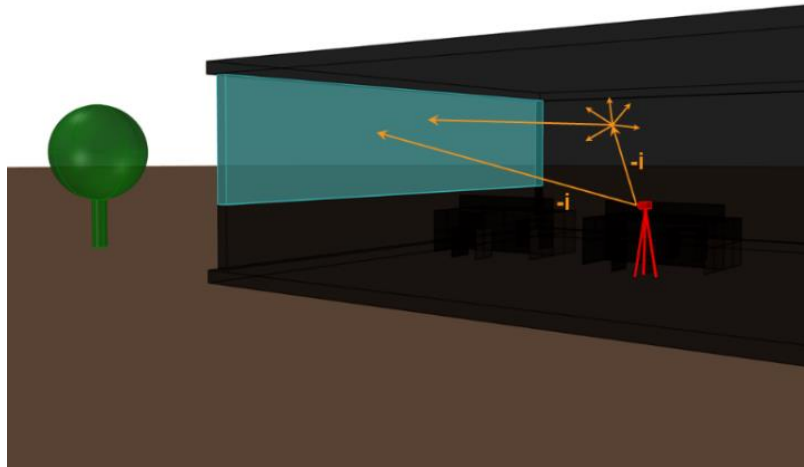
-ab 1
allow irradiance calculation from
façade glow surface

Five-Phase Method



a) direct view matrix

Images



The irradiance calculation returns radiance values for the glow surface.

Includes

direct contribution on interior surfaces leaving the system area and the direct contribution at view point leaving the system area

relevant settings

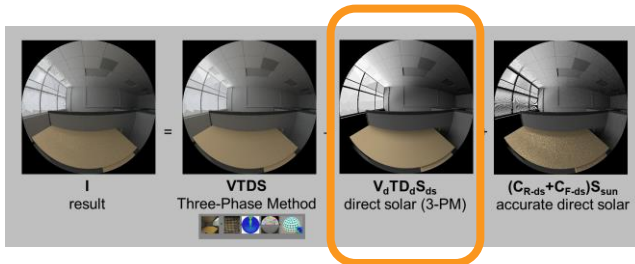
-xform -m black
Set all interior surfaces to black to avoid also specular reflections

-i
irradiance calculation

-ab 1
allow direct contribution from facade glow surface

-ad
stochastic sampling of façade area in Klems subdivision vs. number of pixels

Five-Phase Method



a) direct view matrix

#illuminance sensors

```
rcopts=" -V- -n ${nprocs} -w- -I+ -ab 1 -ad 65536 -lw 1.0e-6 -faa "  
rfluxmtx ${rcopts} \  
  < pts/tutorial_workplane.pts - scene/tutorial_window_vmx_glow.rad \  
  scene/tutorial_room_5pm_black.rad \  
> matrices/tutorial_room_5pm_sensors.dvmx
```

#images

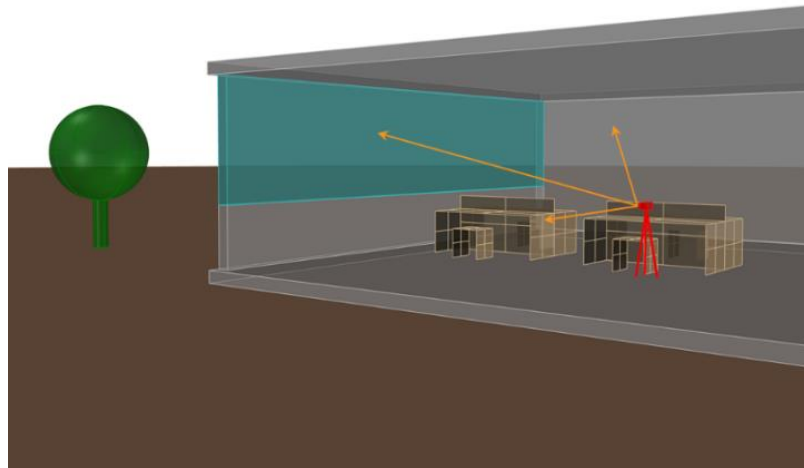
```
rcopts=" -V- -n ${nprocs} -w- -i -ab 1 -ad 16384 -lw 1.0e-6 -ffc "  
res=500  
vwrays -ff -vf view/view_fish_p01.vf -x ${res} -y ${res} | \  
  rfluxmtx ${rcopts} `vwrays -vf view/view_fish_p01.vf -x ${res} -y ${res} -d` \  
  - scene/tutorial_window_vmx_glow_img_dir.rad \  
  scene/tutorial_room_5pm_black.rad
```

Five-Phase Method



b) convert illuminance to luminance (images)

Images



Includes

factor for converting illuminance on interior surfaces into luminances and preserve luminances directly at the system

relevant settings

-xform -m glow1
 set the system surface to a uniform glowing with radiance = 1 (or just use the glow1 surface as used in the 3 Phase Method View Matrix V)
-ab 0
-av 1/π 1/π 1/π

Five-Phase Method



b) convert illuminance to luminance (images)

```
res=500
```

material map 1

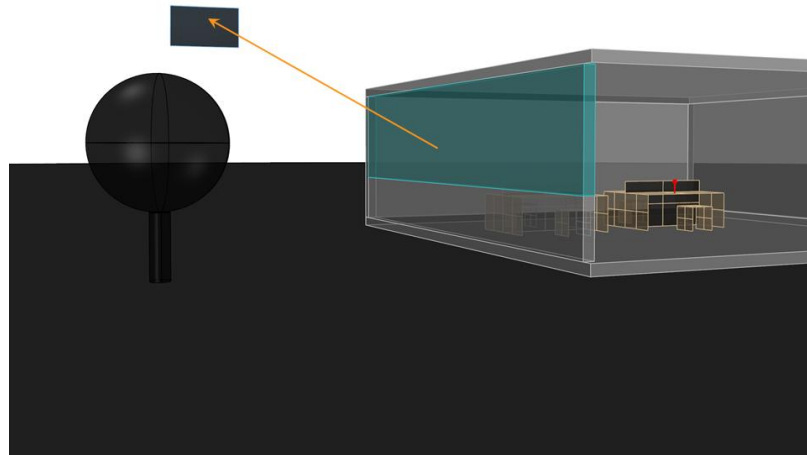
```
oconv -w scene/tutorial_window_vmx_glow_img.rad scene/tutorial_room_3pm.rad > ${oct}
rpict -x ${res} -y ${res} -ps 1 -av 0.31831 0.31831 0.31831 -ab 0 \
-vf view/view_fish_p01.vf ${oct} > matrices/img_reflmaps/tutorial_room_reflmap_M1.hdr
```

```
for img in matrices/img_vmx_dir/*.hdr; do
  pcomb -h -e 'ro=ri(1)*ri(2);go=gi(1)*gi(2);bo=bi(1)*bi(2)' \
  -o matrices/img_reflmaps/tutorial_room_reflmap_M1.hdr -o ${img} \
  > matrices/img_vmx_dir_lum/${img}
done
```

Five-Phase Method



c) direct daylight matrix



Includes

direct contribution
from sky / distant
ground to façade

relevant settings

-xform -m black
Set all exterior surfaces to black to
avoid also specular reflections

-ab 0

Five-Phase Method



c) direct daylight matrix

```
sky_subdiv=4
```

#illuminance sensors & images

```
rcopts=" -V- -n ${nprocs} -w- -ab 0 -ad 1024 -lw 1.0e-6 -faa "
```

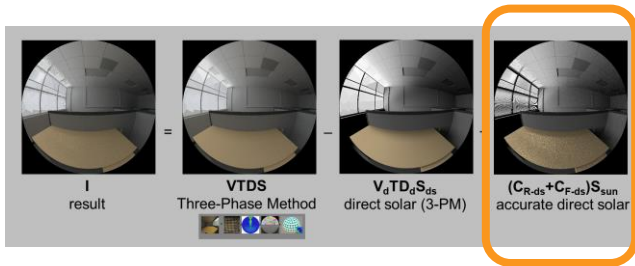
```
rfluxmtx ${rcopts} \
```

```
  scene/tutorial_window_dmx_dummy.rad misc/sky_glow1_rein${sky_subdiv}.rad \
```

```
  scene/tutorial_room_5pm_black.rad \
```

```
> matrices/tutorial_room_5pm_rein${sky_subdiv}.ddmx
```

Five-Phase Method

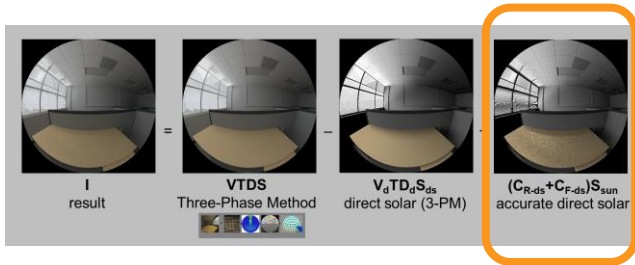


a) direct sun matrix – sun positions

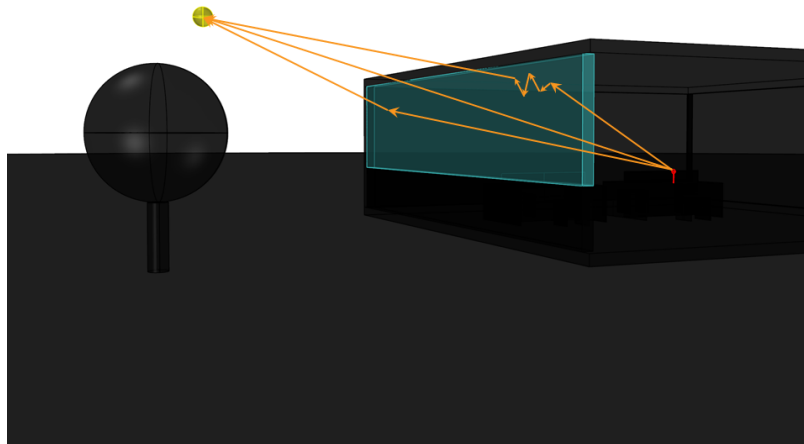
```
mf_sun_pos=6
num_sun_pos=$( ev 144*${mf_sun_pos}*${mf_sun_pos}+1 )

printf "#@rfluxmtx h=r${mf_sun_pos} u=Y\n" > misc/suns_rein${mf_sun_pos}.rad
printf "void light solar 0 0 3 1e6 1e6 1e6\n" >> misc/suns_rein${mf_sun_pos}.rad
cnt ${num_sun_pos} | rcalc -e MF:${mf_sun_pos} -f reinsrc.cal -e Rbin=recno \
  -o 'solar source sun 0 0 4 ${ Dx } ${ Dy } ${ Dz } 0.5' \
  >> misc/suns_rein${mf_sun_pos}.rad
```

Five-Phase Method



b) direct sun matrix – sensors



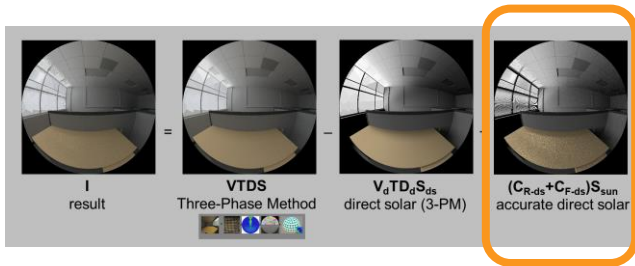
Includes

direct sun contribution following the path sun – system – sensor without exterior or interior interreflections

relevant settings

-xform -m black
Set all surfaces to black to avoid also specular reflections
-l
irradiance calculation
-ab 1 [n]
sampling off the BSDF surface for scattered contributions *or account for all relevant optical paths within the system*
-ad
sampling of façade area with high resolution BSDF

Five-Phase Method



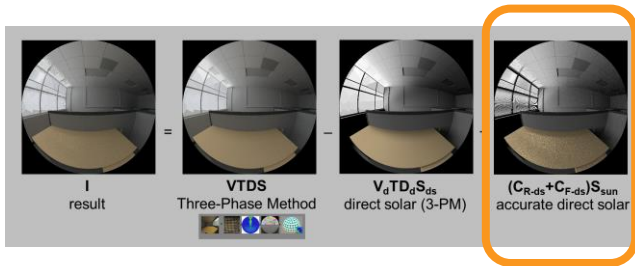
b) direct sun matrix – sensors

```
var=blinds_20deg_BSDF
oconv -w misc/suns_rein${mf_sun_pos}.rad scene/tutorial_room_5pm_dsunmx_${var}.rad > ${oct}

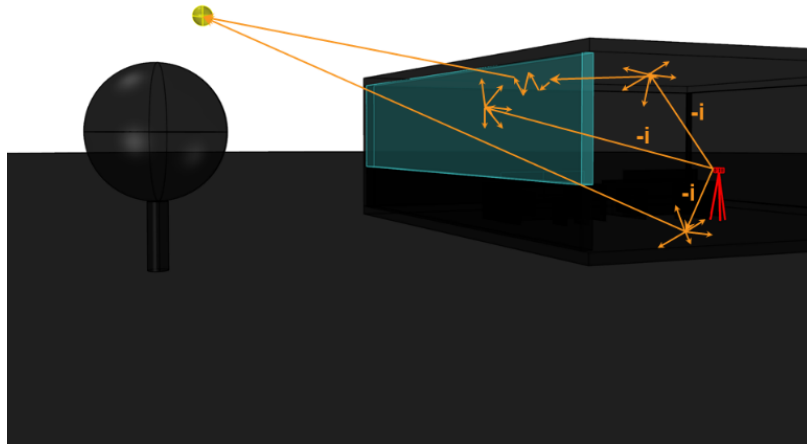
#illumance sensors
rcopts=" -V- -n ${nprocs} -w- -I+ -ab 1 -ad 65536 -lw 1.0e-6 -dc 1 -dt 0 -dj 0 -faa "

rcontrib < pts/tutorial_workplane.pts ${rcopts} \
  -e MF:${mf_sun_pos} -f reinhart.cal -b rbin -bn Nrbins -m solar ${oct} \
  > matrices/tutorial_room_5pm_sensors_${var}.dsmx
```

Five-Phase Method



c) direct sun matrix – images room



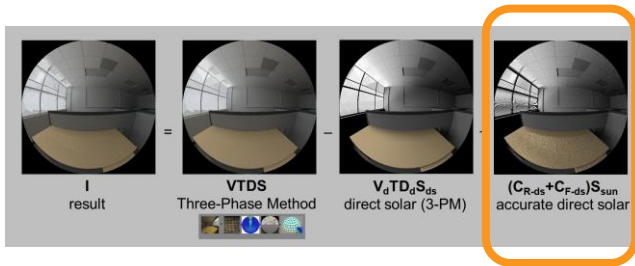
Includes

direct sun contribution following the path sun – system – sensor without exterior or interior interreflections

relevant settings

-xform -m black
Set all surfaces to black to avoid also specular reflections
-i
irradiance calculation
-ab 1 [n]
sampling off the BSDF surface for scattered contributions *or account for all relevant optical paths within the system*
-ad
sampling of façade area with high resolution BSDF

Five-Phase Method

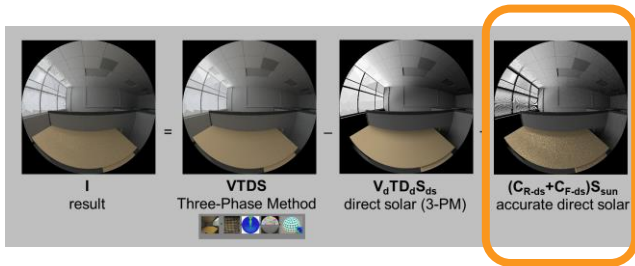


c) direct sun matrix – images room

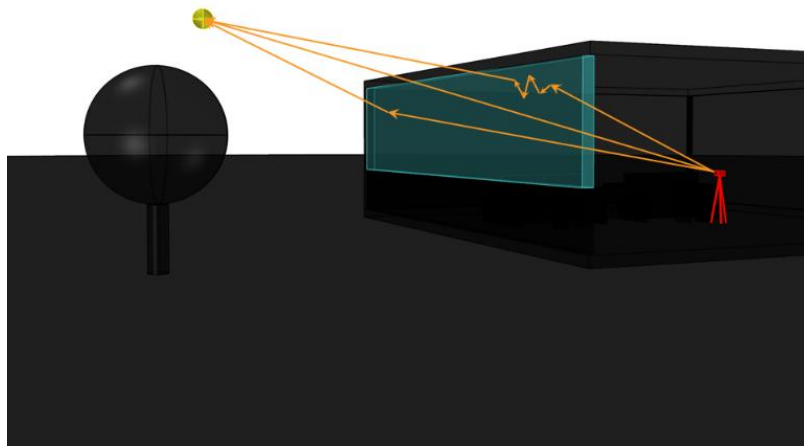
```
var=blinds_20deg_BSDF
oconv -w misc/suns_rein${mf_sun_pos}.rad scene/tutorial_room_5pm_dsunmx_${var}.rad > ${oct}

#images
rcopts=" -V- -n ${nprocs} -w- -i -ab 1 -ad 16384 -lw 1.0e-6 -ffc "
res=500
vwrays -ff -vf view/view_fish_p01.vf -x ${res} -y ${res} | \
  rcontrib ${rcopts} `vwrays -vf view/view_fish_p01.vf -x ${res} -y ${res} -d` \
  -o matrices/img_vmx_sun_room/tutorial_room_${var}_%04d.hdr \
  -e MF:${mf_sun_pos} -f reinhart.cal -b rbin -bn Nrbins -m solar ${oct}
```


Five-Phase Method



d) direct sun matrix – images facade



Includes

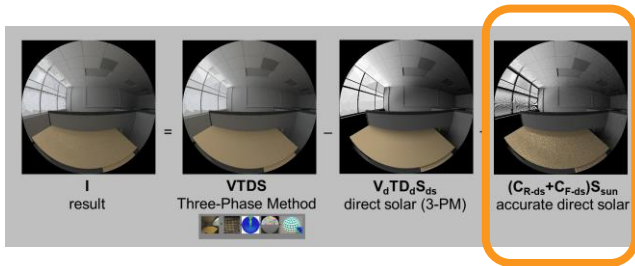
direct sun contribution following the path sun – system – camera without exterior or interior interreflections, i.e. the view of the façade with sun only

relevant settings

-xform -m black
Set all surfaces to black to avoid also specular reflections

-ab 1 [n]
sampling off the BSDF surface for scattered contributions *or account for all relevant optical paths within the system*

-ad
sampling of the BSDF surface for scattered contributions

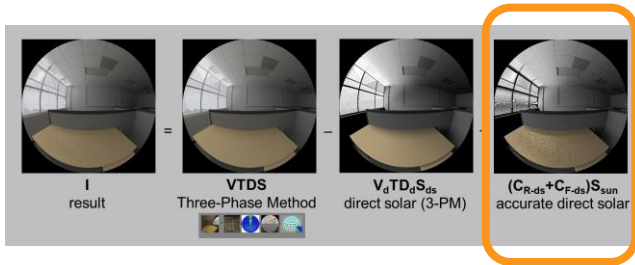


d) direct sun matrix – images facade

```
var=blinds_20deg_BSDF
oconv -w misc/suns_rein${mf_sun_pos}.rad scene/tutorial_room_5pm_dsunmx_${var}.rad > ${oct}

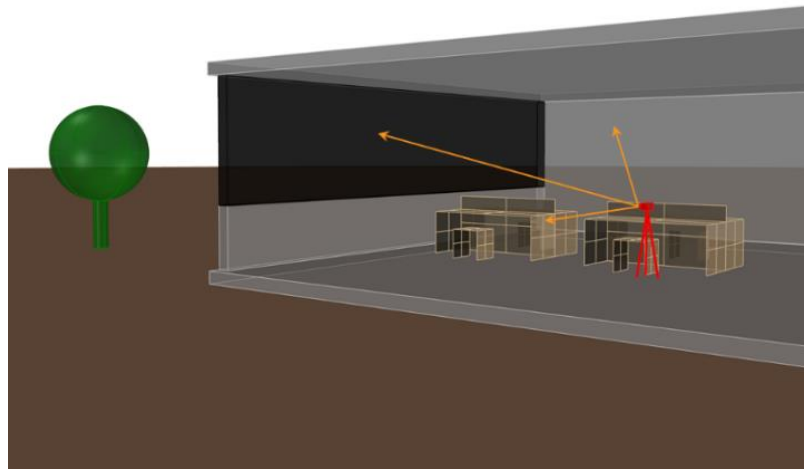
#images
rcopts=" -V- -n ${nprocs} -w- -ab 5 -ad 16384 -lw 1.0e-6 -ffc "
res=500
vwrays -ff -vf view/view_fish_p01.vf -x ${res} -y ${res} | \
  rcontrib ${rcopts} `vwrays -vf view/view_fish_p01.vf -x ${res} -y ${res} -d` \
  -o matrices/img_vmx_sun_fac/tutorial_room_${var}_%04d.hdr \
  -e MF:${mf_sun_pos} -f reinhart.cal -b rbin -bn Nrbins -m solar ${octree}
```

Five-Phase Method



e) convert illuminance to luminance (room images) and add room & facade

Images



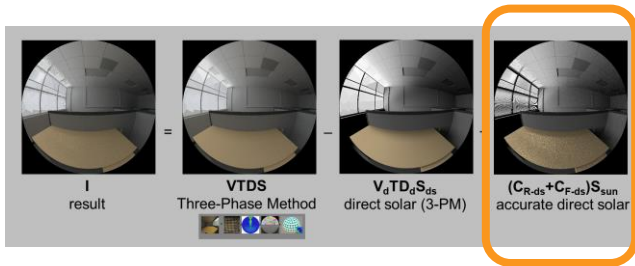
Includes

factor for converting illuminance on interior surfaces into luminances and preserve luminances directly at the system

relevant settings

-xform -m glow1
set the system surface to a uniform glowing with radiance = 1 (or just use the glow1 surface as used in the 3 Phase Method View Matrix V)
-ab 0
-av 1/π 1/π 1/π

Five-Phase Method



e) convert illuminance to luminance (room images) and add room & facade

```
res=500
```

```
material map 2 (for direct sun matrix)
```

```
oconv -w scene/tutorial_window_vmx_sun_black.rad scene/tutorial_room_3pm.rad >${oct}  
rpict -x ${res} -y ${res} -ps 1 -av 0.31831 0.31831 0.31831 -ab 0 \  
-vf view/view_fish_p01.vf ${oct} > matrices/img_reflmaps/tutorial_room_reflmap_M2.hdr
```

```
for img in matrices/img_vmx_sun_room/*.hdr; do  
  pcomb -h -e 'ro=ri(1)*ri(2)+ri(3);go=gi(1)*gi(2)+gi(3);bo=bi(1)*bi(2)+bi(3)' \  
  -o matrices/img_reflmaps/tutorial_room_reflmap_M2.hdr -o ${img} \  
  -o matrices/img_vmx_sun_fac/${img}.hdr \  
  > matrices/img_vmx_sun_all/${img}.hdr  
done
```

Five-Phase Method



a) direct sky and sun

#illuminance sensors & images

```
sky_subdiv=4
mf_sun_pos=6
```

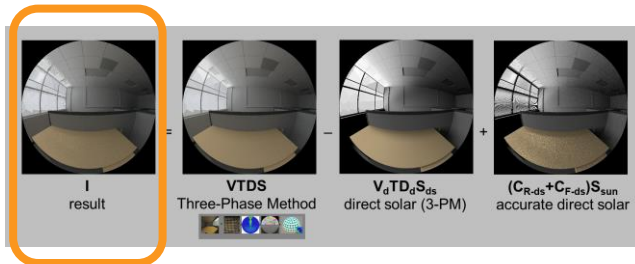
point in time

```
xform sky/NY_cie_sun_03211000.rad | genskyvec -d -m ${sky_subdiv} \  
> weather/NY_cie_sun_03211000_direct.skyvec
xform sky/NY_cie_sun_03211000.rad | genskyvec -5 -d -m ${mf_sun_pos} \  
> weather/NY_cie_sun_03211000_direct_sun.skyvec
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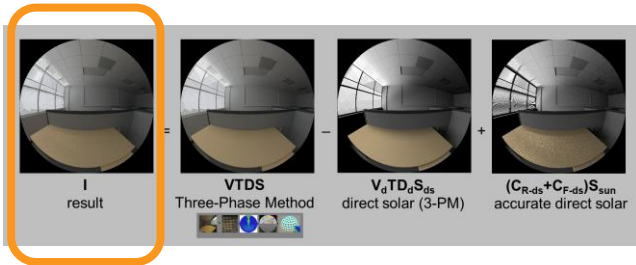
time series

```
gendaymtx -d -m ${sky_subdiv} weather/NY_sky.wea \  
> weather/NY_sky_direct.smx
gendaymtx -5 0.5 -d -m ${mf_sun_pos} weather/NY_sky.wea \  
> weather/NY_sky_direct_sun.smx
```

Five-Phase Method



```
weather=NY_sky
var=blinds_20deg
#illuminance sensors
# (1) 3PM direct
dctimestep matrices/tutorial_room_5pm_sensors.dvmx BSDF/${var}_Klems.xml \
  matrices/tutorial_room_5pm_rein1.ddmx weather/${weather}_direct.smx \
  > result/${var}_${weather}_3pm_dir.dat
# (2) 5PM accurate direct
sys=blinds_20deg_BSDF
dctimestep matrices/tutorial_room_5pm_sensors_${sys}.dsmx \
  weather/${weather}_direct_sun.smx > result/${sys}_${weather}_5pm_dir_sun.dat
# (3) calc (3PM - 3PM_dir + 5PM_dir) ...
rmtxop result/${var}_${weather}_3pm.dat + -s -1 result/${var}_${weather}_3pm_dir.dat + \
  result/${sys}_${weather}_5pm_dir_sun.dat | \
  rmtxop -fa -c 47.448 119.951 11.601 -t - > result/${sys}_${weather}_5pm.ill
```



#images

(1) 3PM direct

```
dctimestep -o result/img_3pm_dir/${var}_${weather}_%04d.hdr \  
  matrices/img_vmx_dir_lum/tutorial_room_%03d_lum.hdr BSDF/${var}_Klems.xml \  
  matrices/tutorial_room_5pm_rein1.ddmx weather/${weather}_direct.smx
```

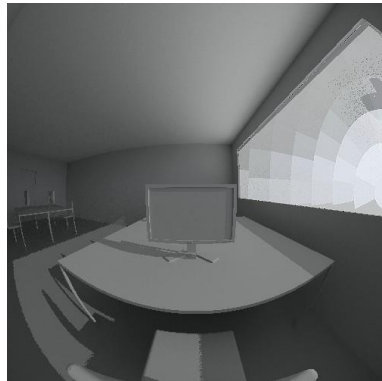
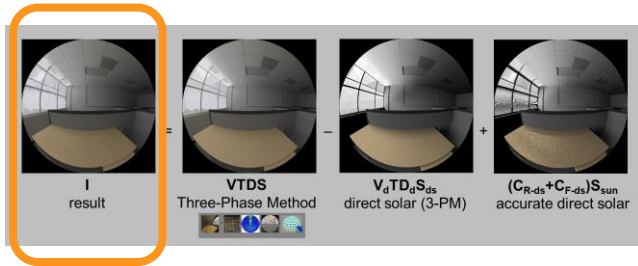
(2) 5PM accurate direct

```
sys=blinds_20deg_BSDF  
dctimestep -o result/img_5pm_dir_sun/${var}_${weather}_%04d_${sys}.hdr \  
  matrices/img_vmx_sun_all/tutorial_room_${sys}_%04d.hdr weather/${weather}_direct_sun.smx
```

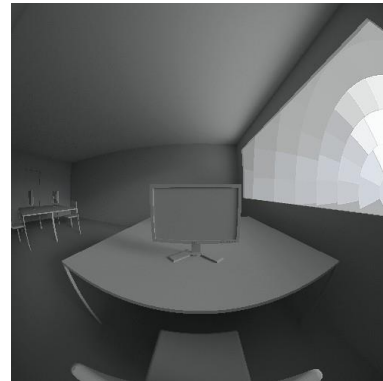
(3) calc (3PM - 3PM_dir + 5PM_dir) ...

```
for img in result/img_3pm/${var}_${weather}_????.hdr; do  
  img_b=$(basename ${img} .hdr)  
  pcomb -h -e 'ro=ri(1)-ri(2)+ri(3);go=gi(1)-gi(2)+gi(3);bo=bi(1)-bi(2)+bi(3)' \  
  -o ${img} -o result/img_3pm_dir/${img}.hdr -o result/img_5pm_dir_sun/${img_b}_${sys}.hdr \  
  > result/img_5pm/${img_b}_${sys}.hdr  
done
```

Five-Phase Method



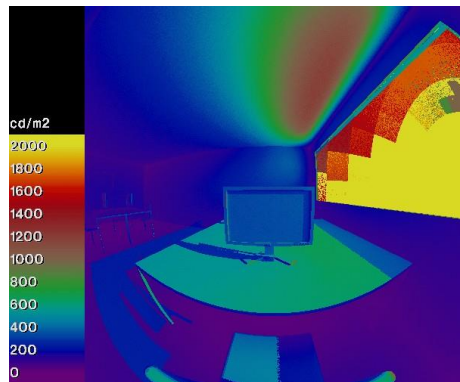
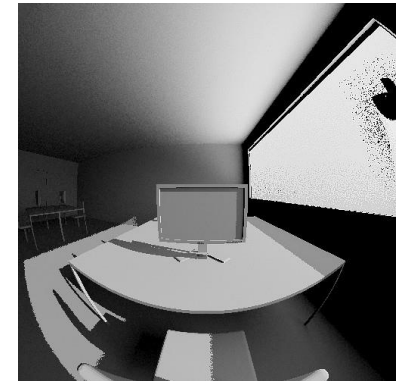
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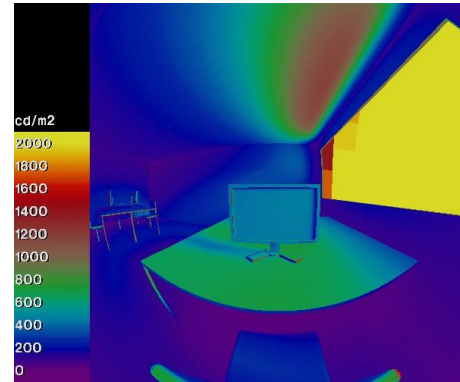
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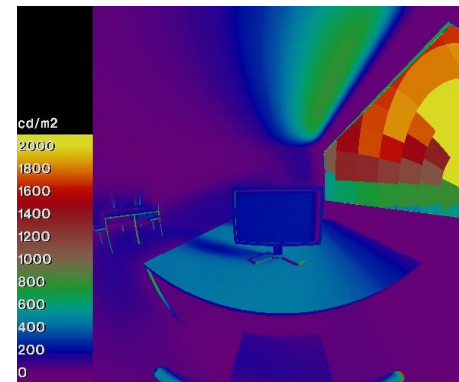
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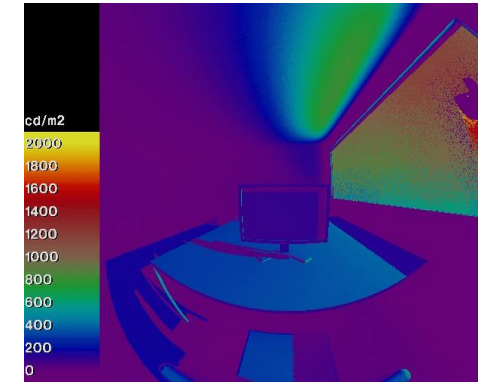
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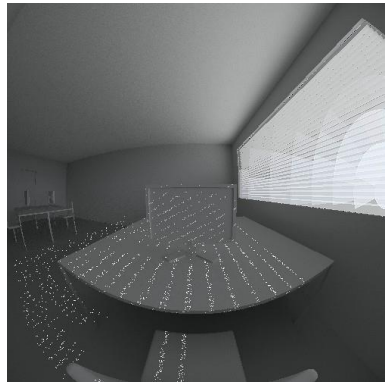
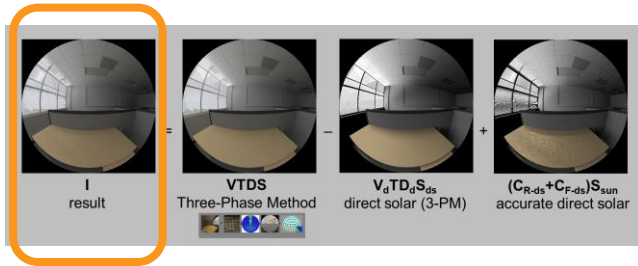
Five-Phase-Method

Three-Phase-Method

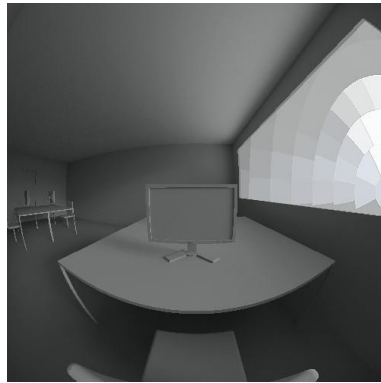
Three-Phase direct

accurate direct

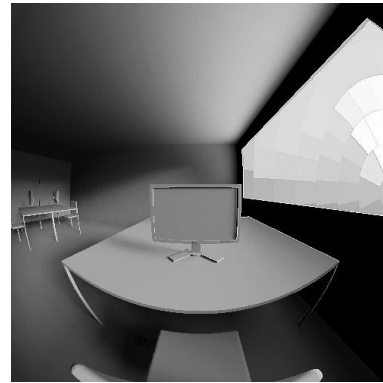
Five-Phase Method



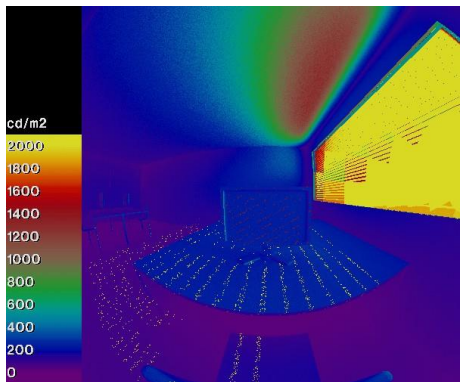
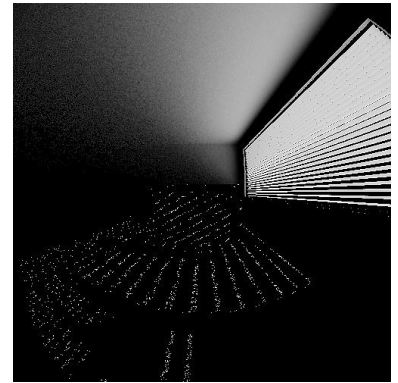
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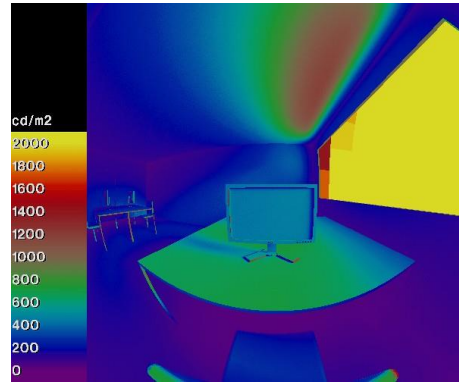


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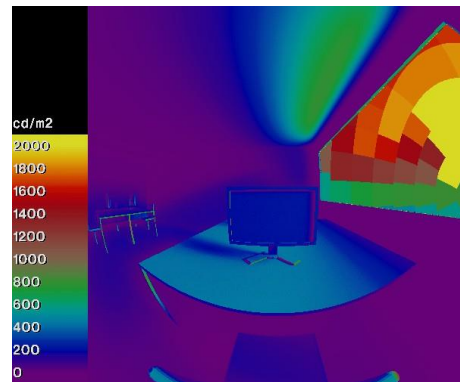
Five-Phase-Method

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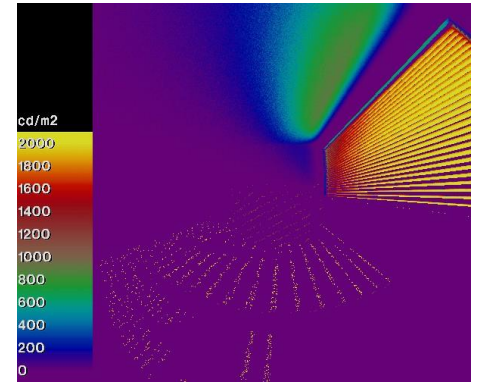
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