

# An Illumination Model for a Skin Layer Bounded by Rough Surfaces

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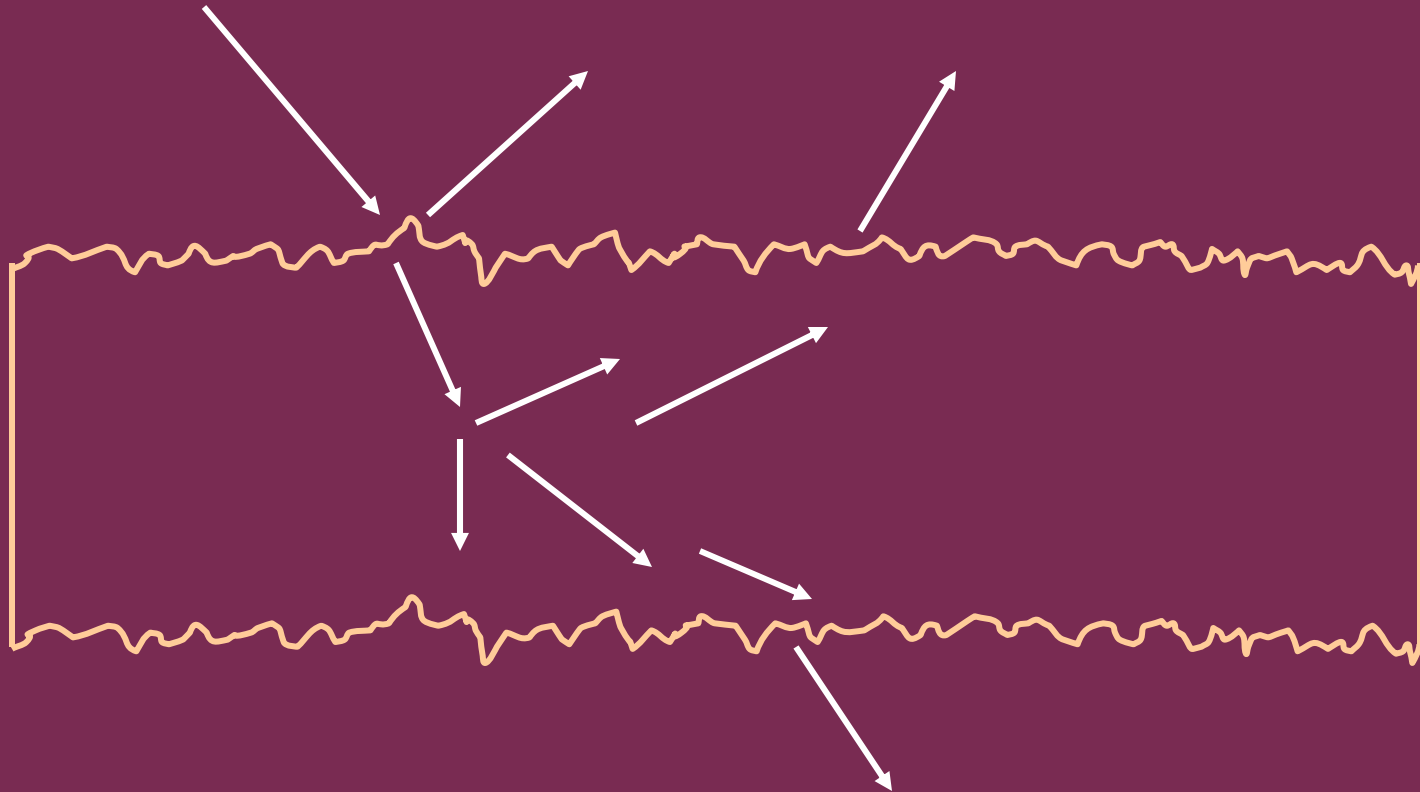
# Motivation

Render effects of subsurface scattering  
(non-metals)

Two important examples:

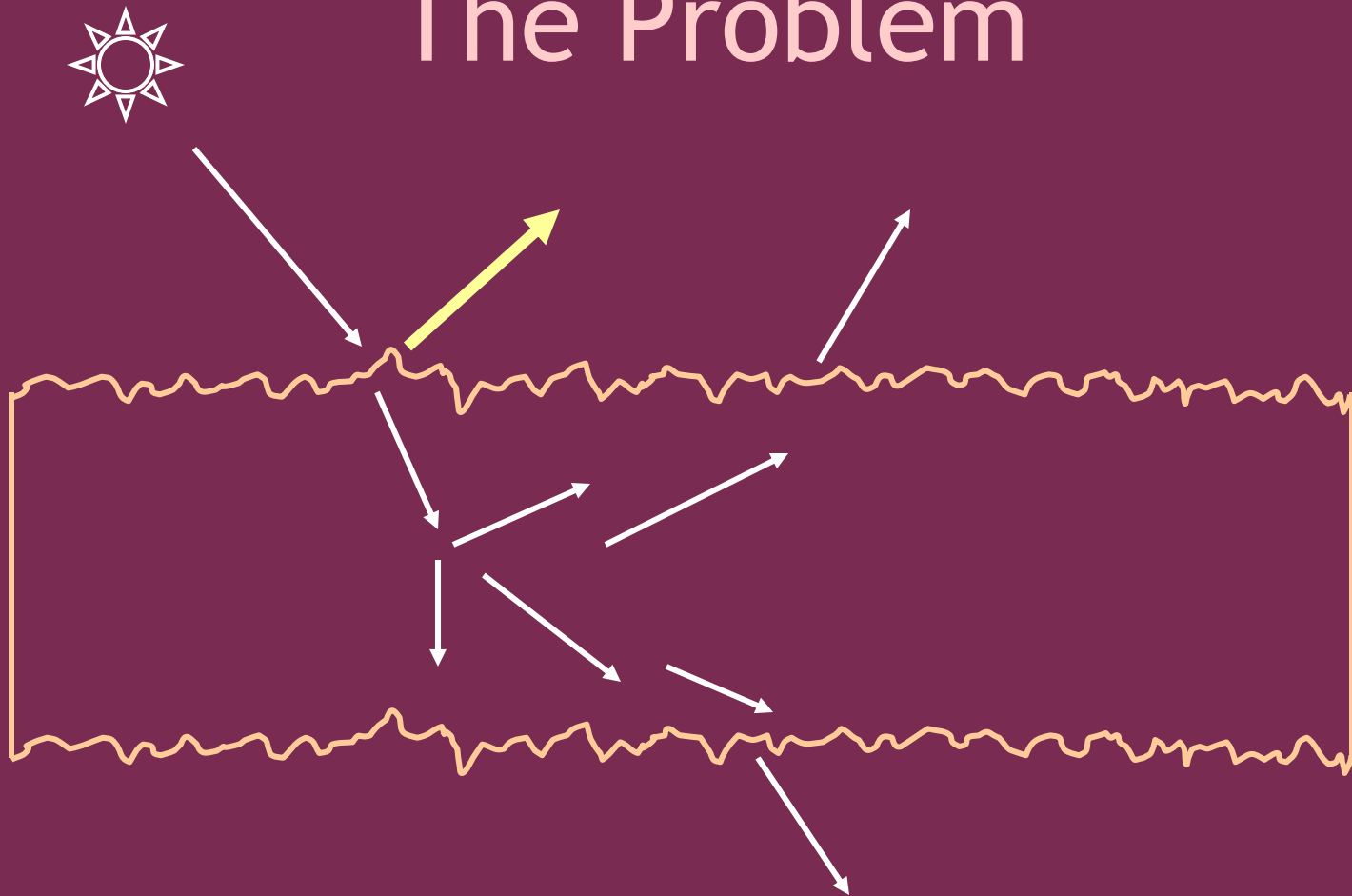
- Skin (Entertainment Industry)
- Paint (Automotive Industry)

# The Problem



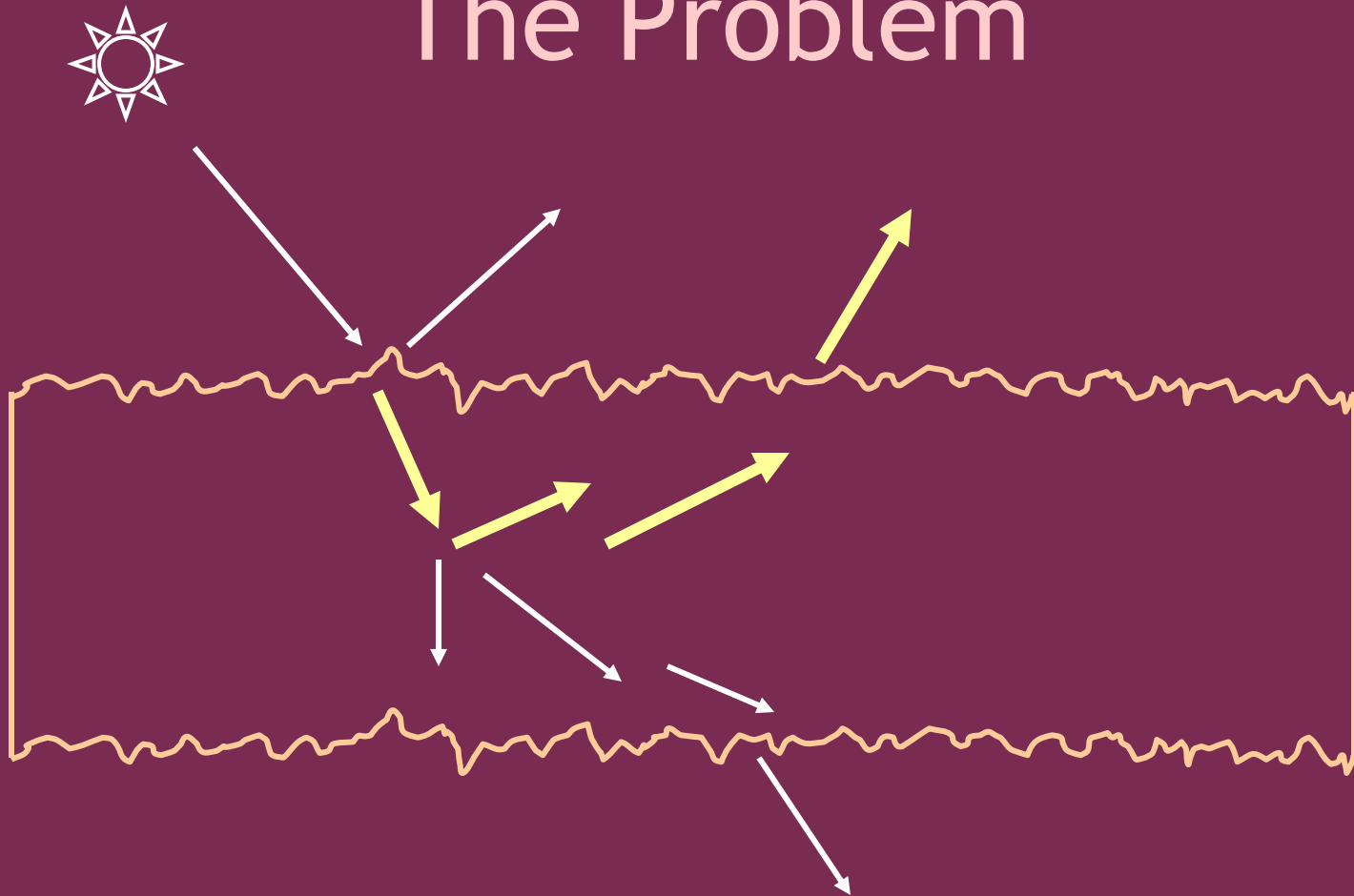
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# The Problem



$$I = I_{\text{surface}} + \dots$$

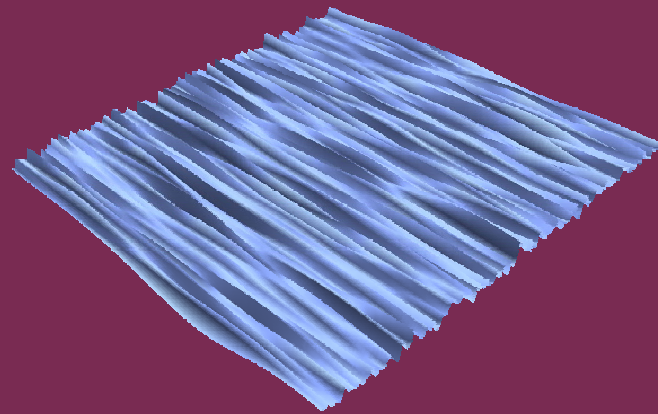
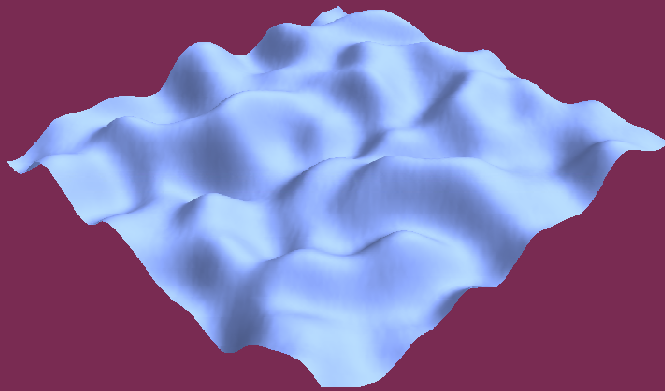
# The Problem



$$I = I_{\text{surface}} + I_{\text{subsurface}}$$

# Surface Reflection & Refraction

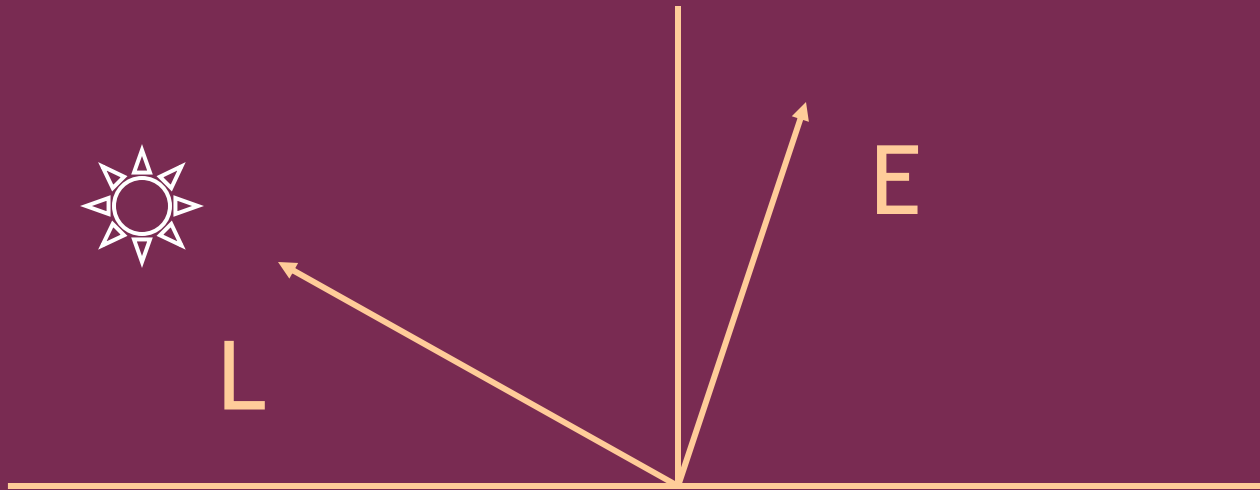
Use random surface height model



Cook-Torrance 81 (Beckmann)

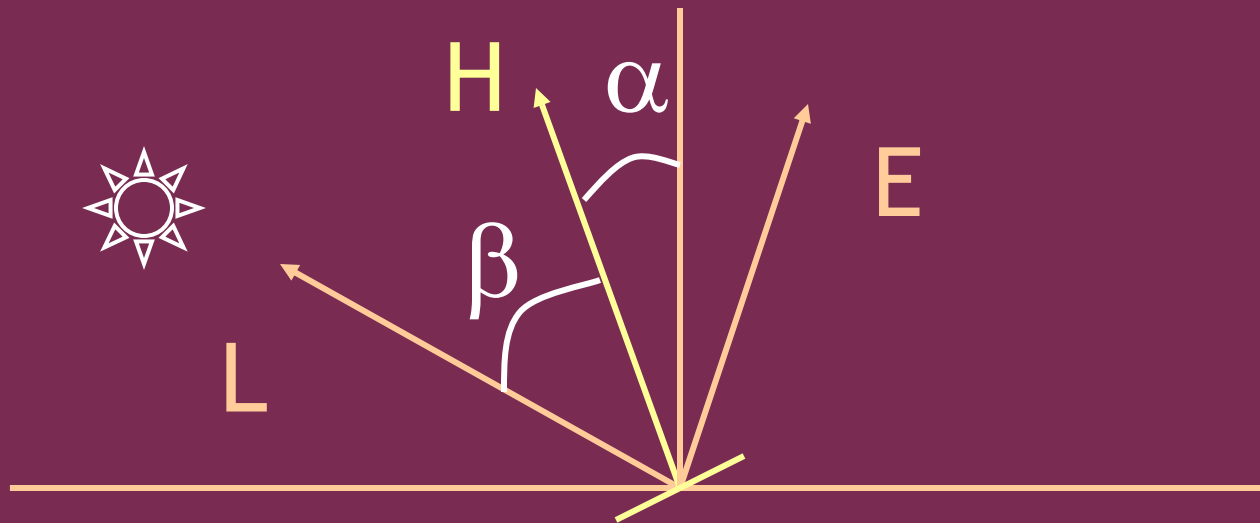
He-Torrance 91 + Stam 99 (Wave Effects)

# Reflection



Given L and E, find H

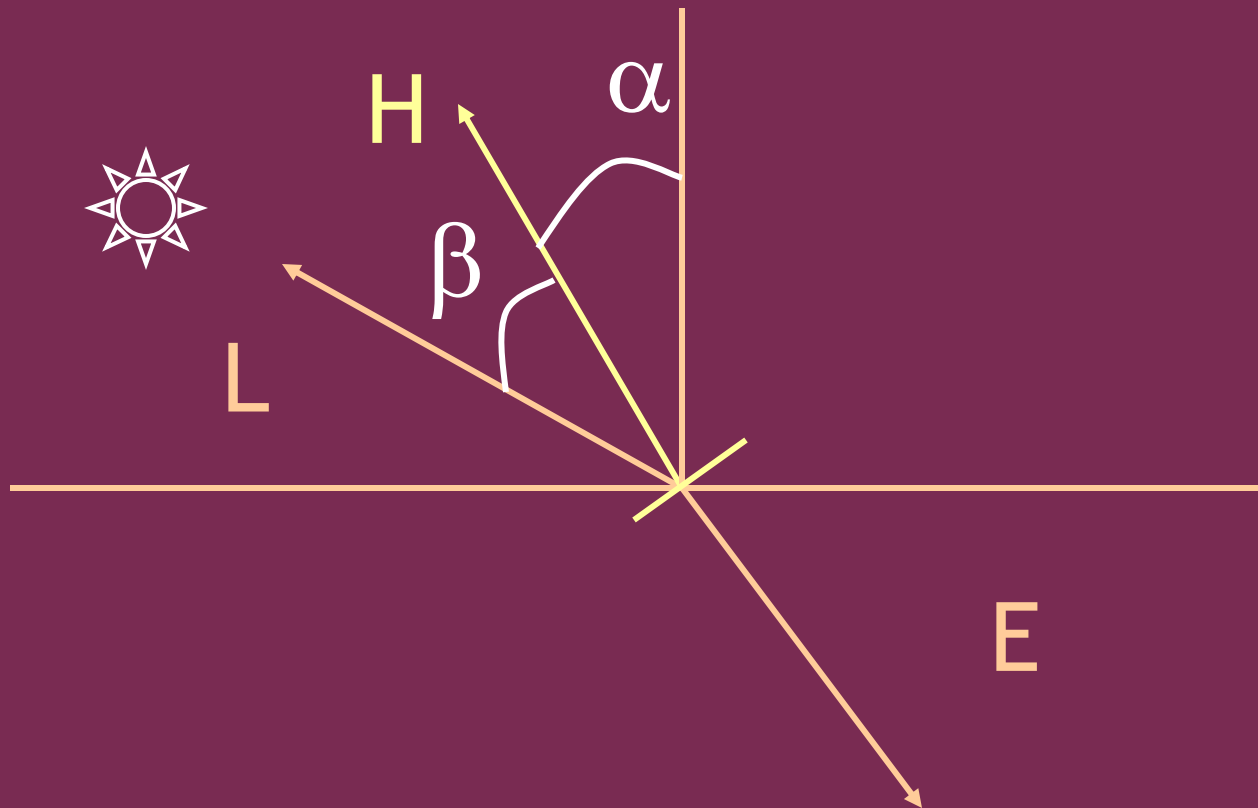
# Reflection



Given  $L$  and  $E$ , find  $H$

$$\text{BRDF} \sim \text{Fresnel}(\beta, \eta) \text{ Beck}(\alpha, \sigma)$$

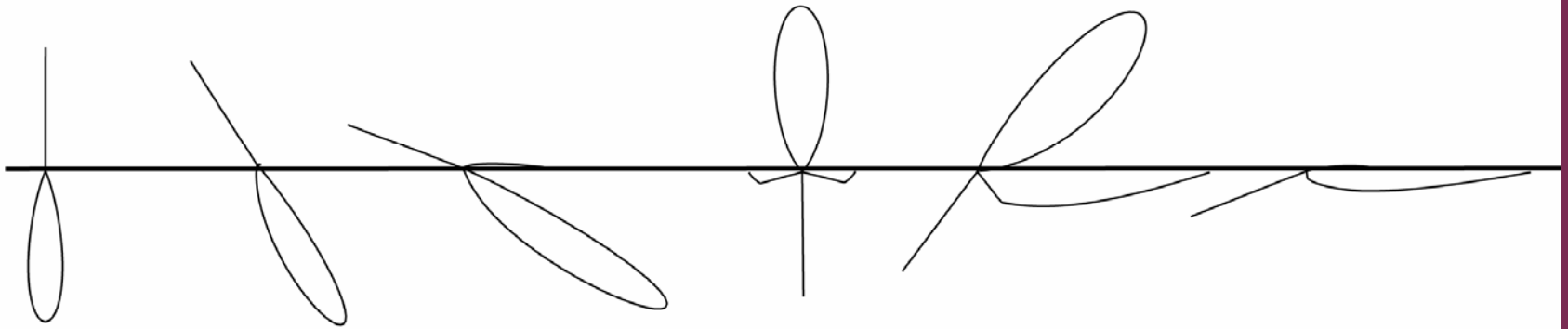
# Refraction



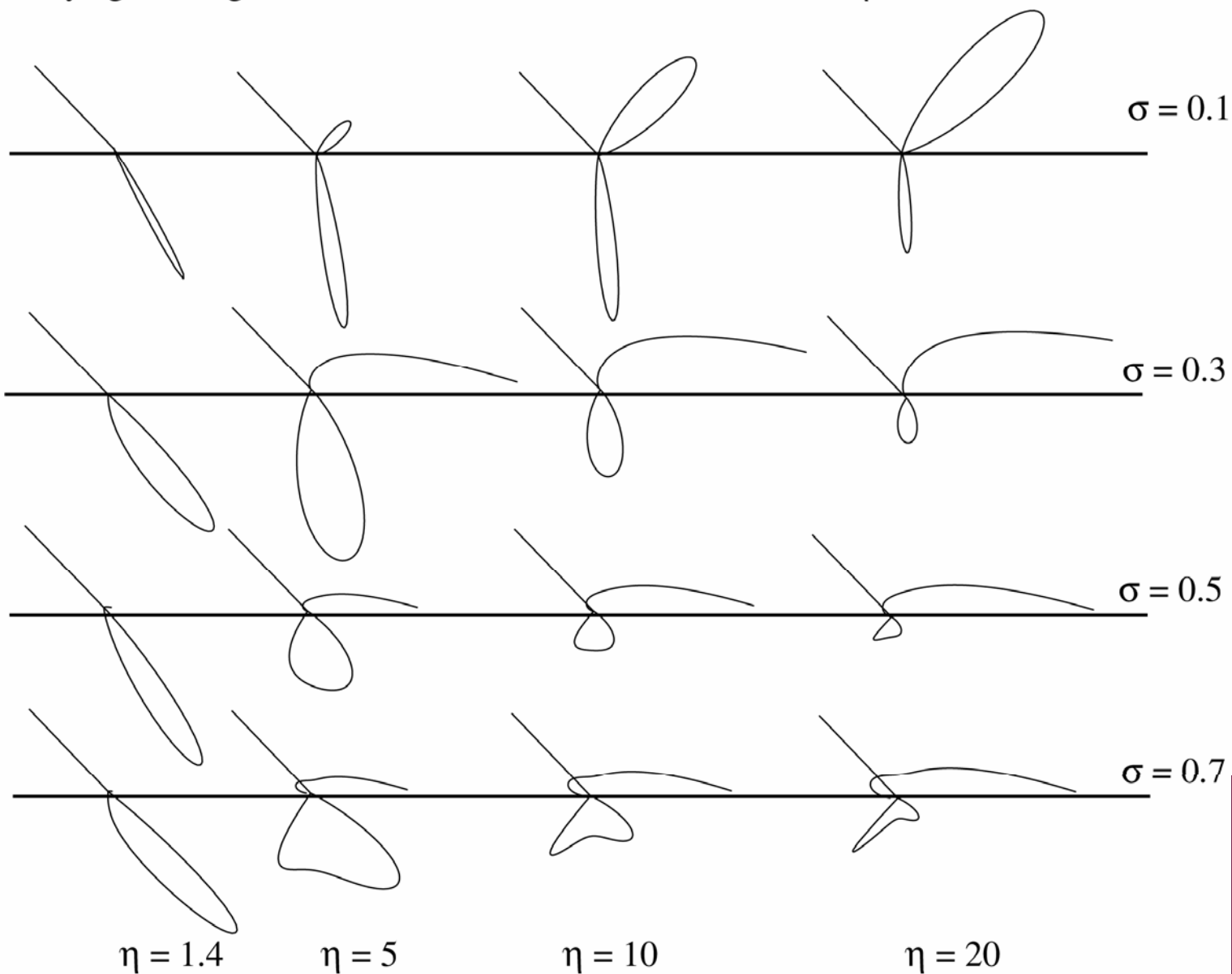
$$\text{BTDF} \sim [1 - \text{Fresnel}(\beta, \eta)] \text{Beck}(\alpha, \sigma)$$

# Results

BRDF and BDTF at the skin's surface  $\sigma=0.5$   $\eta=1.4$



Varying the roughness  $\sigma$  and the ratio of indices of refraction  $\eta$



# Subsurface Reflection

Previous work:

Analytical: Lambert ??,  
Hanrahan-Krueger 93

Monte-Carlo: Westin et al. 92,  
Hanrahan-Krueger 93

BSSRDF: Pharr-Hanrahan 00,  
Jensen et al. 01

# Experiments

Monte Carlo too expensive

Analytical solutions unavailable

(show demo)

# Our Solution

Semi-Analytical:

Solve discrete problem exactly  
And fit splines to results

# Setting

Homogeneous Layer bounded by rough surfaces

air



air / bone

# Parameters of the Skin

surface { Surface roughness :  $\sigma$   
Index of refraction :  $\eta \sim 1.4$

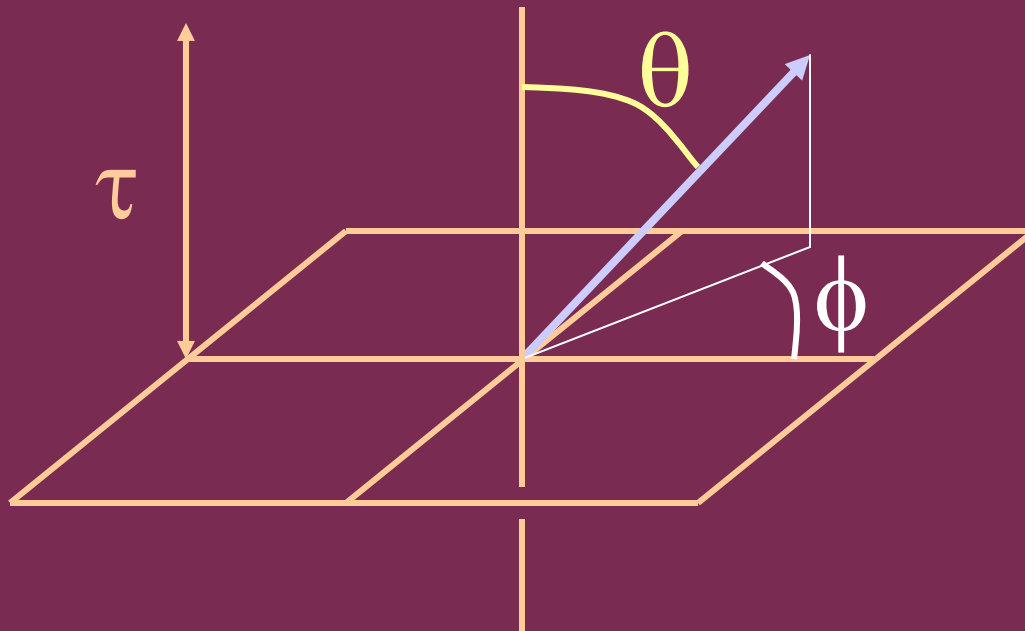
skin { Transparency :  $T = \exp(-\tau_b)$   
 $\tau_b$  : optical depth  
Albedo :  $\Omega$  (amount of scattering)  
Anisotropy :  $g$  (forward scattering)

Human skin:  $\Omega \sim 1$ ,  $g \sim 1$ ,  $T \sim 0$

# Discretization

For a given incoming direction  $(\theta_0, \phi_0)$

Intensity :  $u(\tau, \theta, \phi)$



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Plan:

- Fourier Transform in  $\phi$
- Discretize angle  $\theta$
- Solve discrete problem

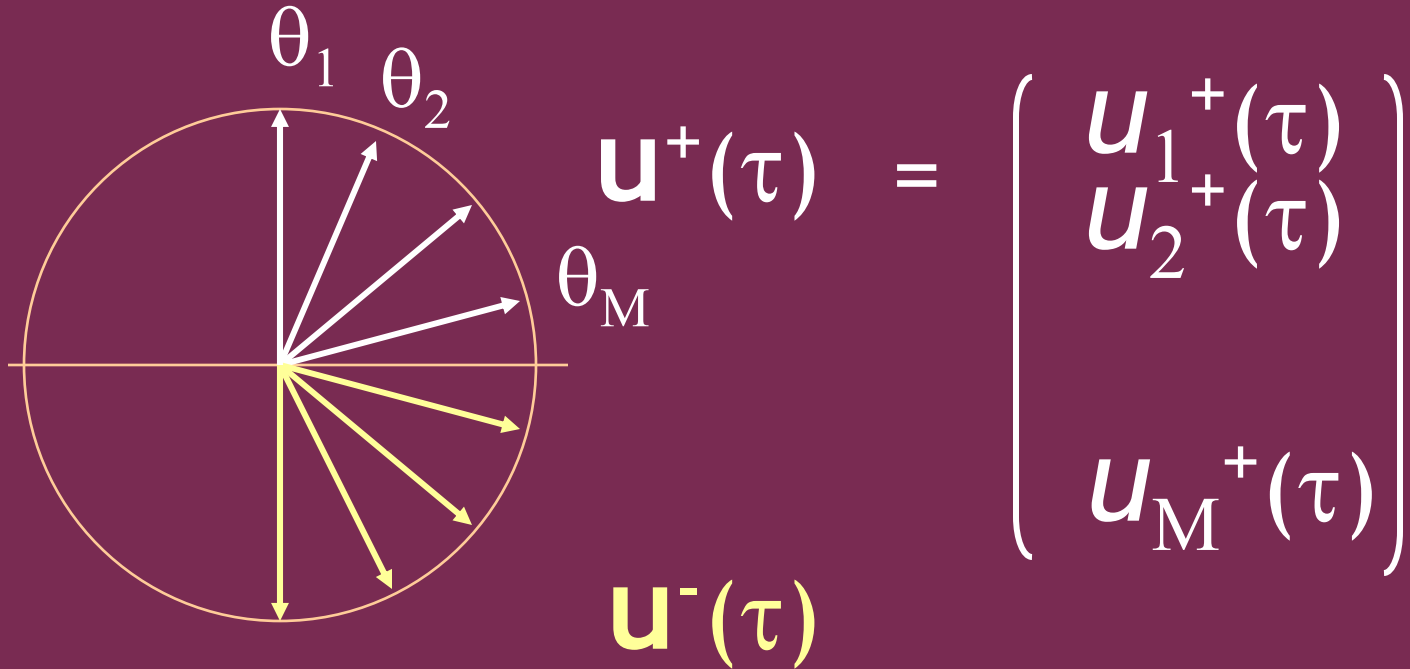
# Fourier Transform in $\phi$

$$u(\tau, \theta, \phi) = \sum_{k=0}^N u_k(\tau, \theta) \cos(2\pi k\phi)$$

(N+1) Independent Equations

-> only focus on one term

# Discrete Ordinates for $\theta$



# Equation of Transfer

$$\underbrace{\frac{d}{d\tau} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}^+ \\ \mathbf{u}^- \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Change}} = \underbrace{- \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}^+ \\ \mathbf{u}^- \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{out-scatter} \\ + \text{absorption}} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} S^{++} & S^{+-} \\ S^{-+} & S^{--} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}^+ \\ \mathbf{u}^- \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{in-scatter}}$$

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$$\frac{d}{d\tau} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}^+ \\ \mathbf{u}^- \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{M}^{++} & \mathbf{M}^{+-} \\ \mathbf{M}^{-+} & \mathbf{M}^{--} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}^+ \\ \mathbf{u}^- \end{pmatrix}$$

1D equivalent:

$$\dot{x} = a x \quad x(t) = \exp(at)x_0$$

# Diagonalize

$$\frac{d}{d\tau} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w}^+ \\ \mathbf{w}^- \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{L} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w}^+ \\ \mathbf{w}^- \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution:

$$\mathbf{w}^+(\tau) = \exp(\tau \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{w}^+_0$$

$$\mathbf{w}^-(\tau) = \exp(-\tau \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{w}^-_0$$

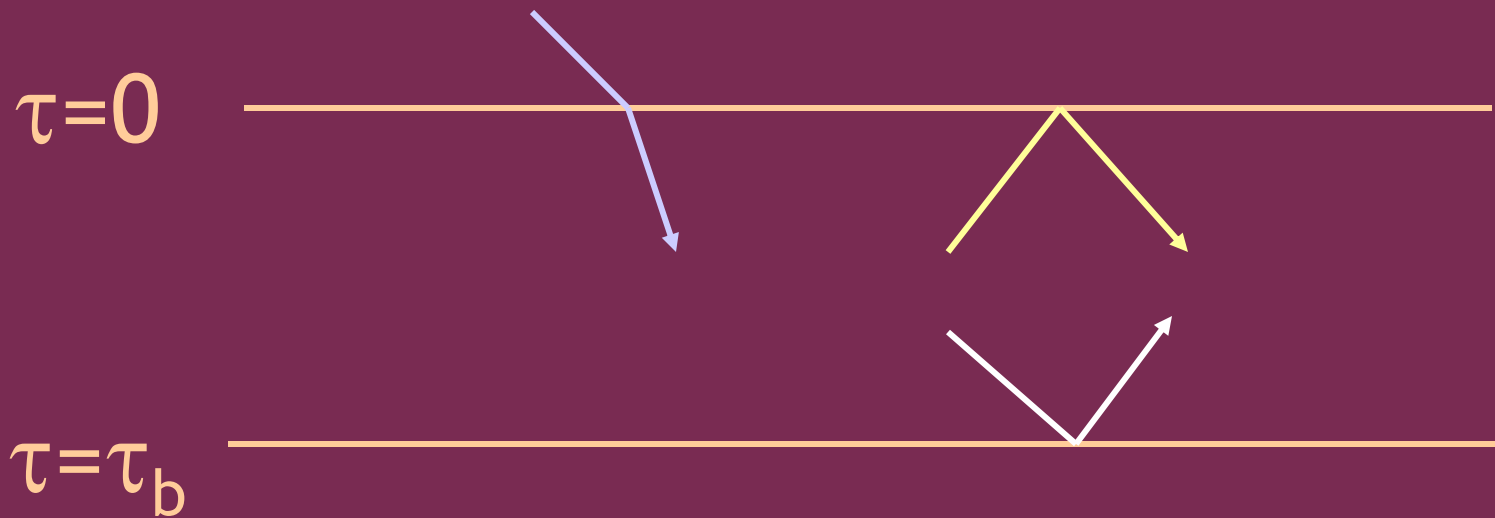
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$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{w}^+(\tau) &= \exp(\tau \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{w}_0^+ \\ \mathbf{w}^-(\tau) &= \exp(-\tau \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{w}_0^- \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{unknown} \\ \text{unknown} \end{array}$$

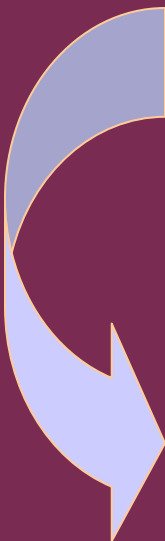
# Find Unknowns



$$\mathbf{w}^-(0) = \mathbf{t}_{12} + \mathbf{R}_{21} \mathbf{w}^+(0)$$

$$\mathbf{w}^+(\tau_b) = \mathbf{R}_{23} \mathbf{w}^-(\tau_b)$$

# Complete System


$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{w}^+(\tau) = \exp(\tau \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{w}^+_0 \\ \mathbf{w}^-(\tau) = \exp(-\tau \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{w}^-_0 \end{cases}$$

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$$\mathbf{w}^-_0 = \mathbf{t}_{12} + \mathbf{R}_{21} \mathbf{w}^+_0$$

$$\exp(\tau_b \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{w}^+_0 = \exp(-\tau_b \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{R}_{23} \mathbf{w}^-_0$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} -\mathbf{R}_{21} & \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{I} & -\exp(-2\tau_b \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{R}_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w}^+_0 \\ \mathbf{w}^-_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{t}_{12} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Back to Reality

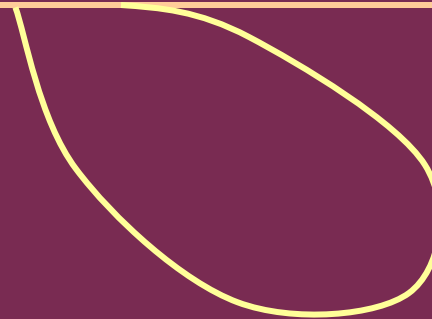
$\tau=0$

$u(0, \theta, \phi)$



$\tau=\tau_b$

$u(\tau_b, \theta, \phi)$



top

$$\mathbf{w}^+(0)$$



$$\mathbf{u}^+(0)$$



$$u_k(0, \theta)$$



$$u(0, \theta, \phi)$$

bottom

$$\mathbf{w}^-(\tau_b)$$



$$\mathbf{u}^-(\tau_b)$$



$$u_k(\tau_b, \theta)$$



$$u(\tau_b, \theta, \phi)$$

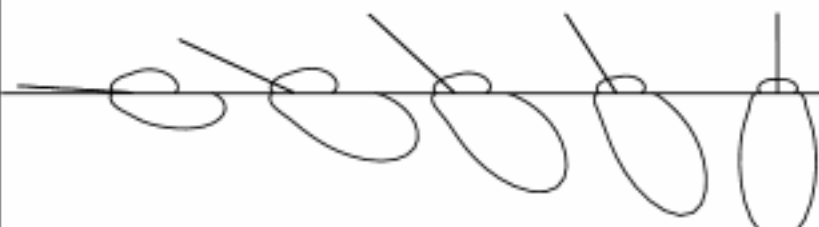
back from eigenspace

fit splines

add Fourier terms

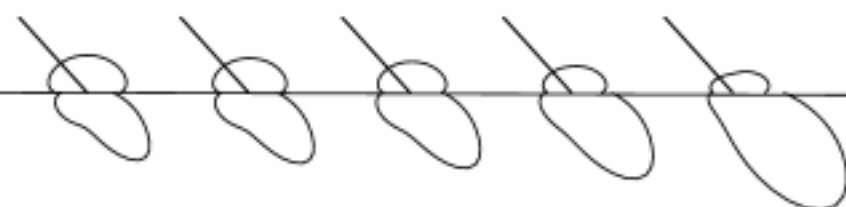
# Results

Varying the incident angle



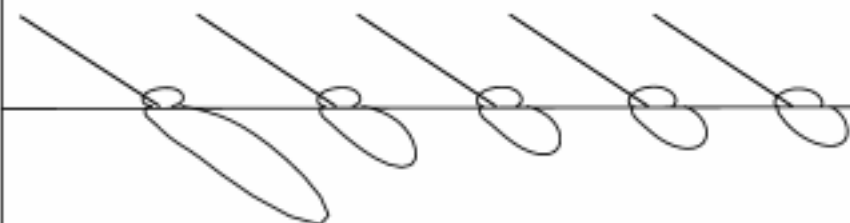
$\theta_0 =$  85 60 45 30 0  
 $g=0.8$   $T=0.2$   $\Omega=1.0$   $\sigma=0.5$

Varying the anisotropy of the layer



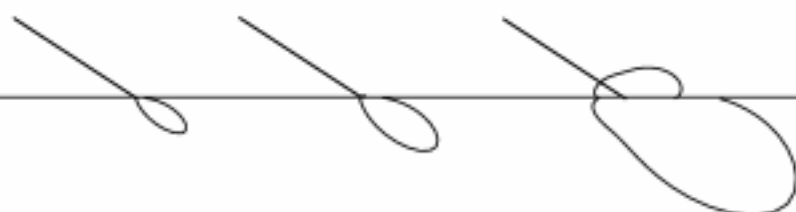
$g =$  0.0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8  
 $T=0.2$   $\Omega=1.0$   $\sigma=0.5$

Varying the surface roughness



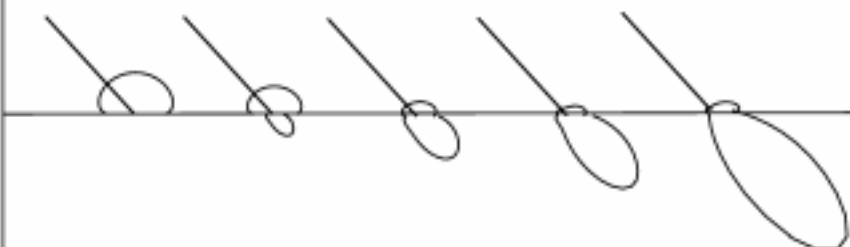
$\sigma =$  0.1 0.2 0.3 0.5 0.9  
 $g=0.8$   $T=0.1$   $\Omega=1.0$

Varying the albedo of the layer



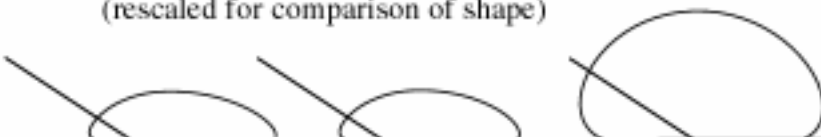
$\Omega =$  0.1 0.5 1.0  
 $g=0.8$   $T=0.2$   $\sigma=0.5$

Varying the transparency of the layer



$T =$  0.0 0.05 0.1 0.3 0.9  
 $g=0.8$   $\Omega=1.0$   $\sigma=0.5$

Varying the albedo of the layer  
 (rescaled for comparison of shape)



$\Omega =$  0.1 0.5 1.0  
 $g=0.8$   $T=0.0$   $\sigma=0.5$

# Results

Implemented as a MAYA shader

Available for free at

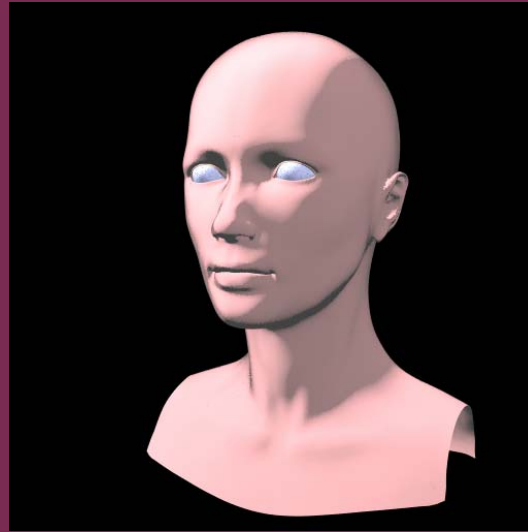
<http://www.aliaswavefront.com>

(follow “community” + “Download”)

# Results



Lambert



Hanrahan-Krueger



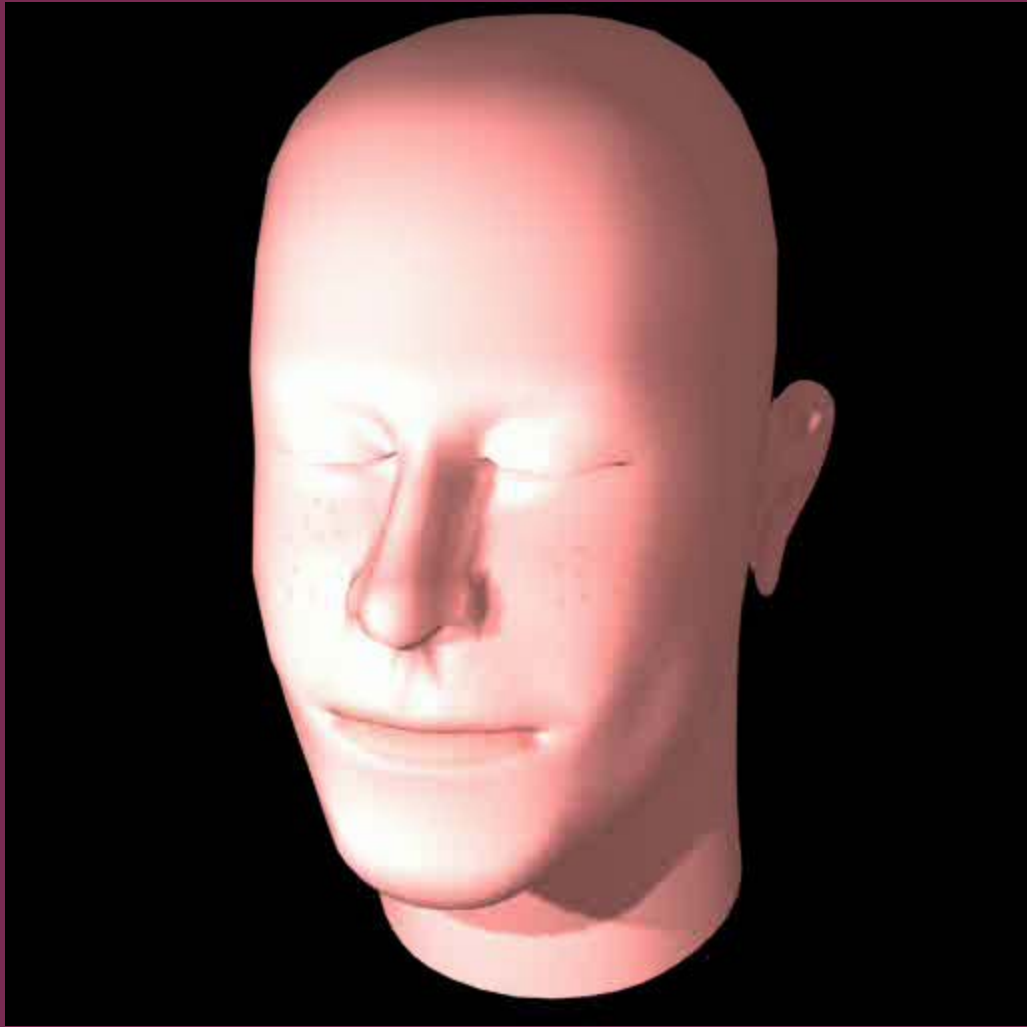
New Model

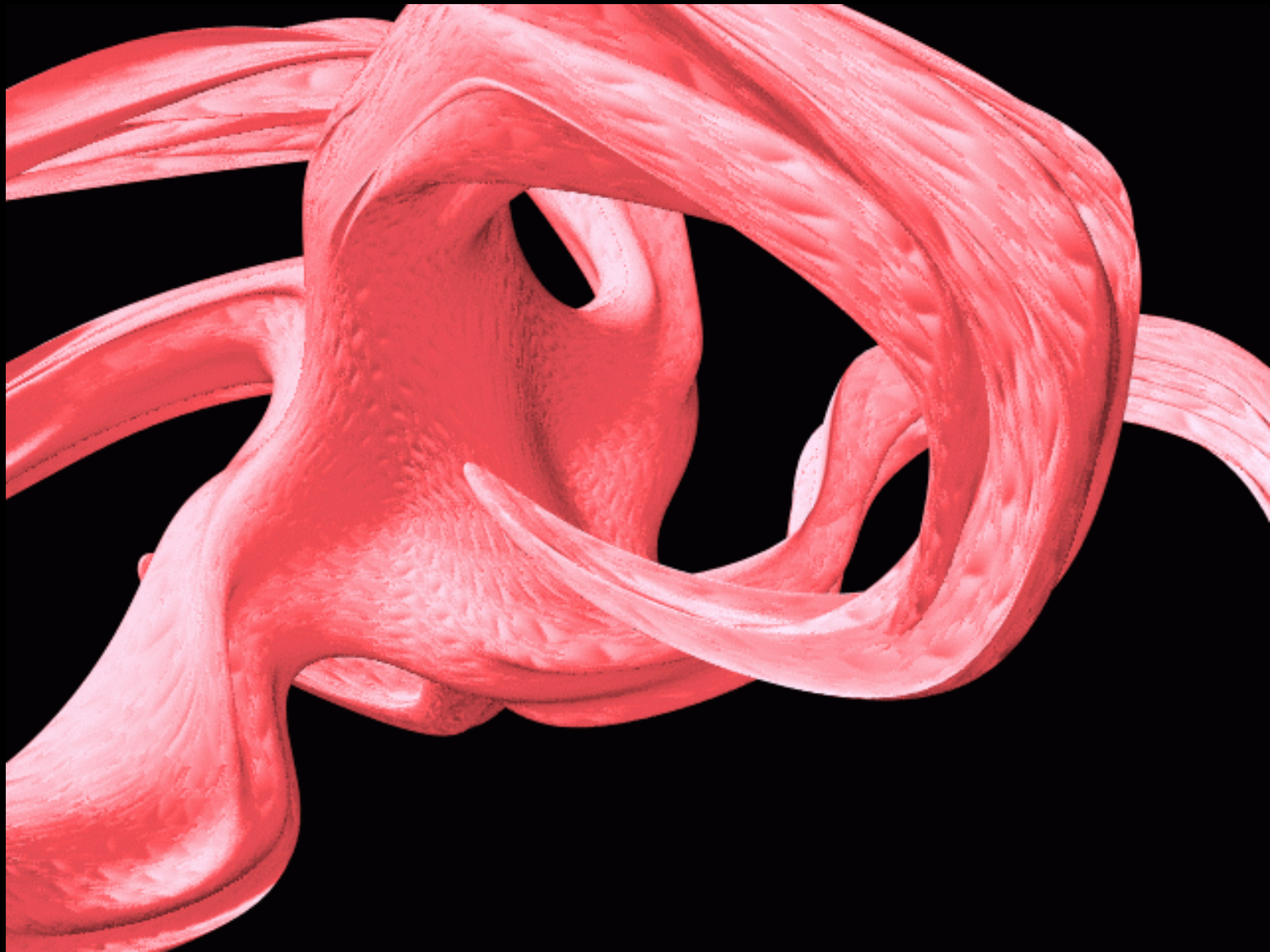


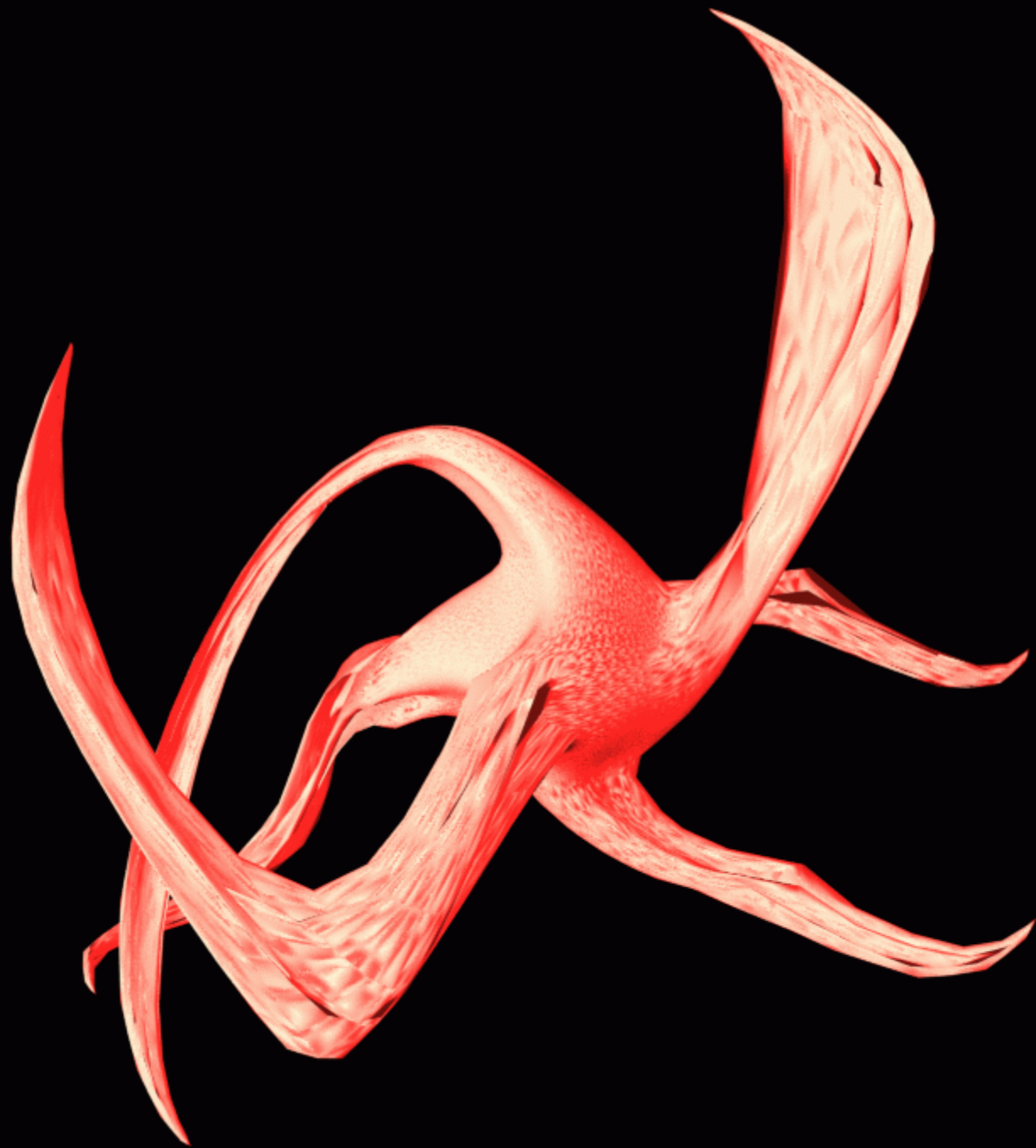












# Future Work

- Experimental validation
- More Layers
- Better fits
- Non-homogeneous layer
- BSSRDF