

Full-dimensional Sampling and Analysis of BSSRDF

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Overview

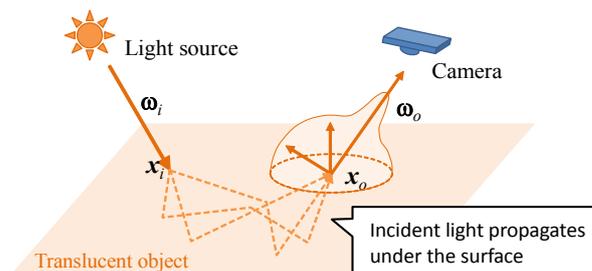
Full-dimensional (8-D) BSSRDF completely expresses various light interactions on object surface such as reflection and subsurface scattering. However, it is difficult to sample full-dimensional BSSRDF because it requires many illuminations and observations from various directions. There are many research which approximated BSSRDF as a low-dimensional function by only considering the medium as homogeneous or assuming isotropic scattering. Therefore, in this research, we show a novel sampling and analyzing method for full-dimensional BSSRDF of real scenes. We sample the BSSRDF using a polyhedral mirror system to place a lot of virtual cameras and projectors. In addition, we propose a method of decomposition of BSSRDF into

isotropic and anisotropic components for scattering analysis. We show the empirical characteristics of subsurface scattering inside a real medium by analyzing sampled full-dimensional BSSRDF.

Full-dimensional BSSRDF

BSSRDF represents light interaction such as subsurface scattering. This phenomenon is parameterized by incident position x_i , incident angle ω_i , outgoing position x_o and outgoing angle ω_o .

$$\text{BSSRDF: } f(x_i, \omega_i, x_o, \omega_o)$$



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Sampling system using polyhedral mirror system

Requirements:

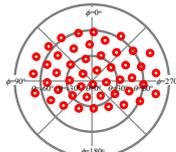
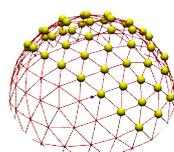
- Surrounding the target object with a lot of cameras and projectors
- Cameras/projectors must be distributed with uniform density at constant distance

Our solution:

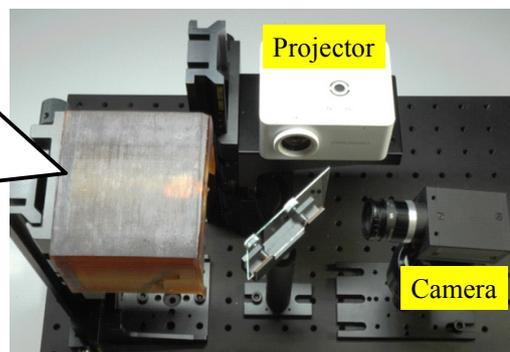
Turtleback reflector*



Polyhedral mirror which distributes 48 virtual cameras and projectors on a hemisphere



Sampling positions on a hemisphere

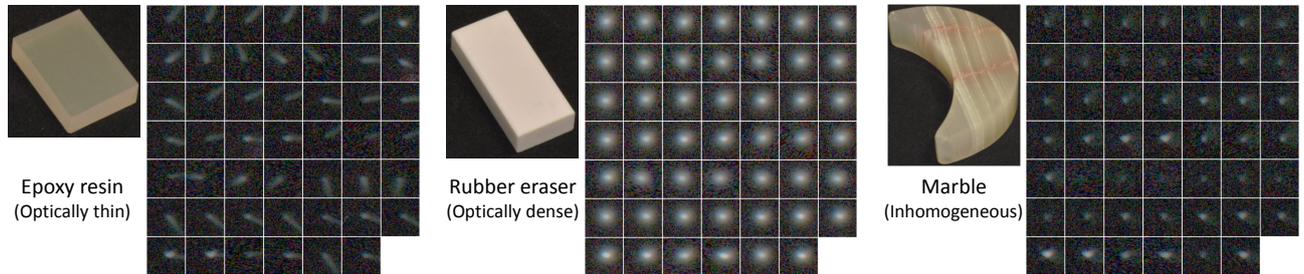


System overview

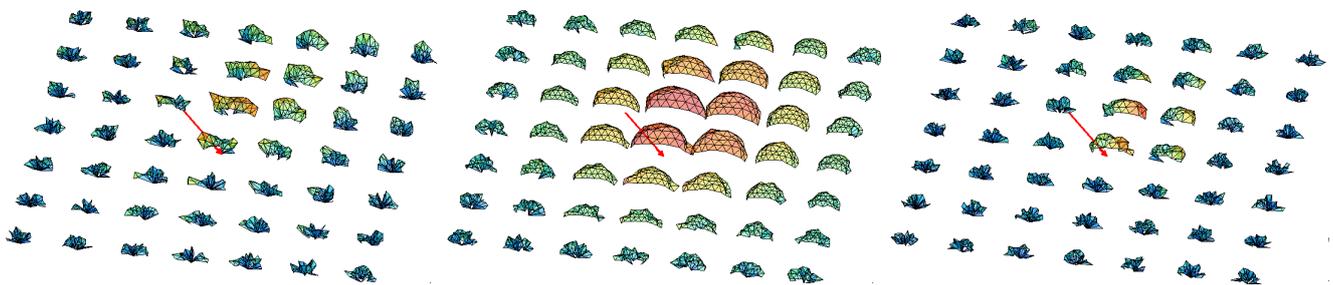
*Tagawa, S., Mukaigawa, Y., Kim, J., Raskar, R., Matsushita, Y. and Yagi, Y.: Hemispherical Confocal Imaging, *IPSI Trans. on Computer Vision and Applications*, Vol. 3, pp. 222-235 (2011).

Sampled BSSRDF and its visualization

We sampled BSSRDF of three different types of target materials; epoxy resin (optically thin), rubber eraser (optically dense) and marble (inhomogeneous). We also visualize sampled BSSRDF as low dimensional slices.



Captured images with fixed illumination $(\theta_i, \phi_i) = (44.9^\circ, 74.8^\circ)$ ($\gamma = 4.5$)

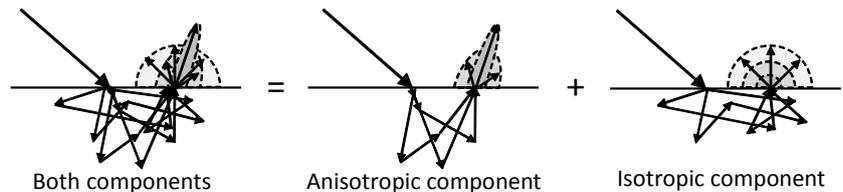


Visualized 4-D slices of BSSRDF $f(x_o, \omega_o)$ as angular distribution at each sampled position.

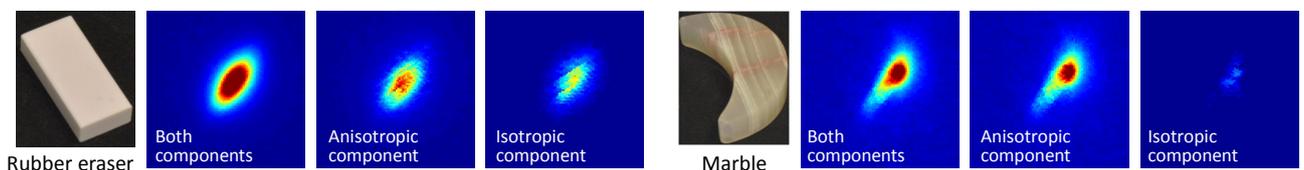
Decomposition of BSSRDF into isotropic/anisotropic components

We decompose sampled BSSRDF into isotropic (angular independent) and anisotropic (angular dependent) components for scattering analysis.

Principle:
Scattering consists of anisotropic and isotropic components



Decomposed results:



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