

# CS130 : Computer Graphics

Ray Tracing

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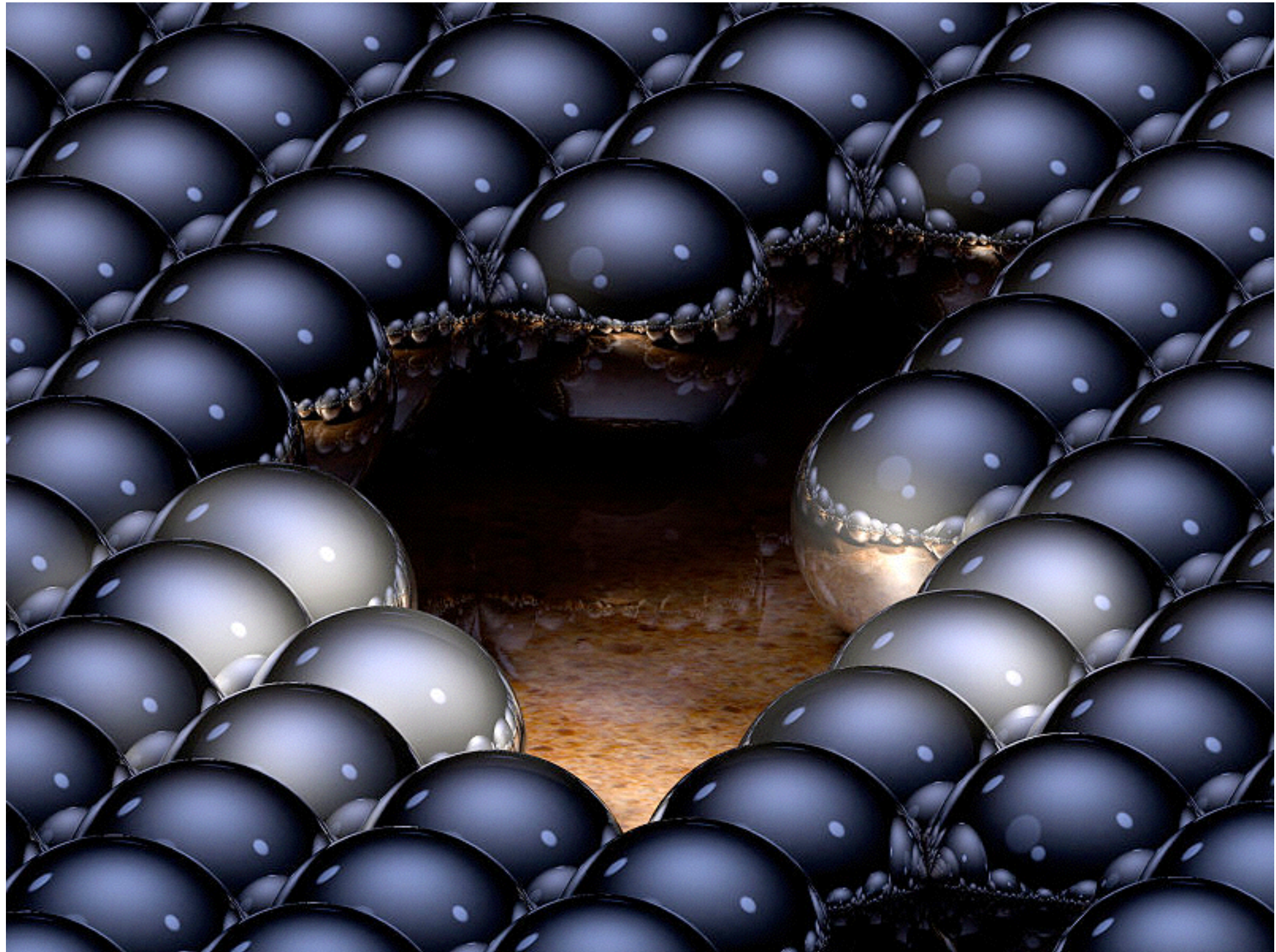
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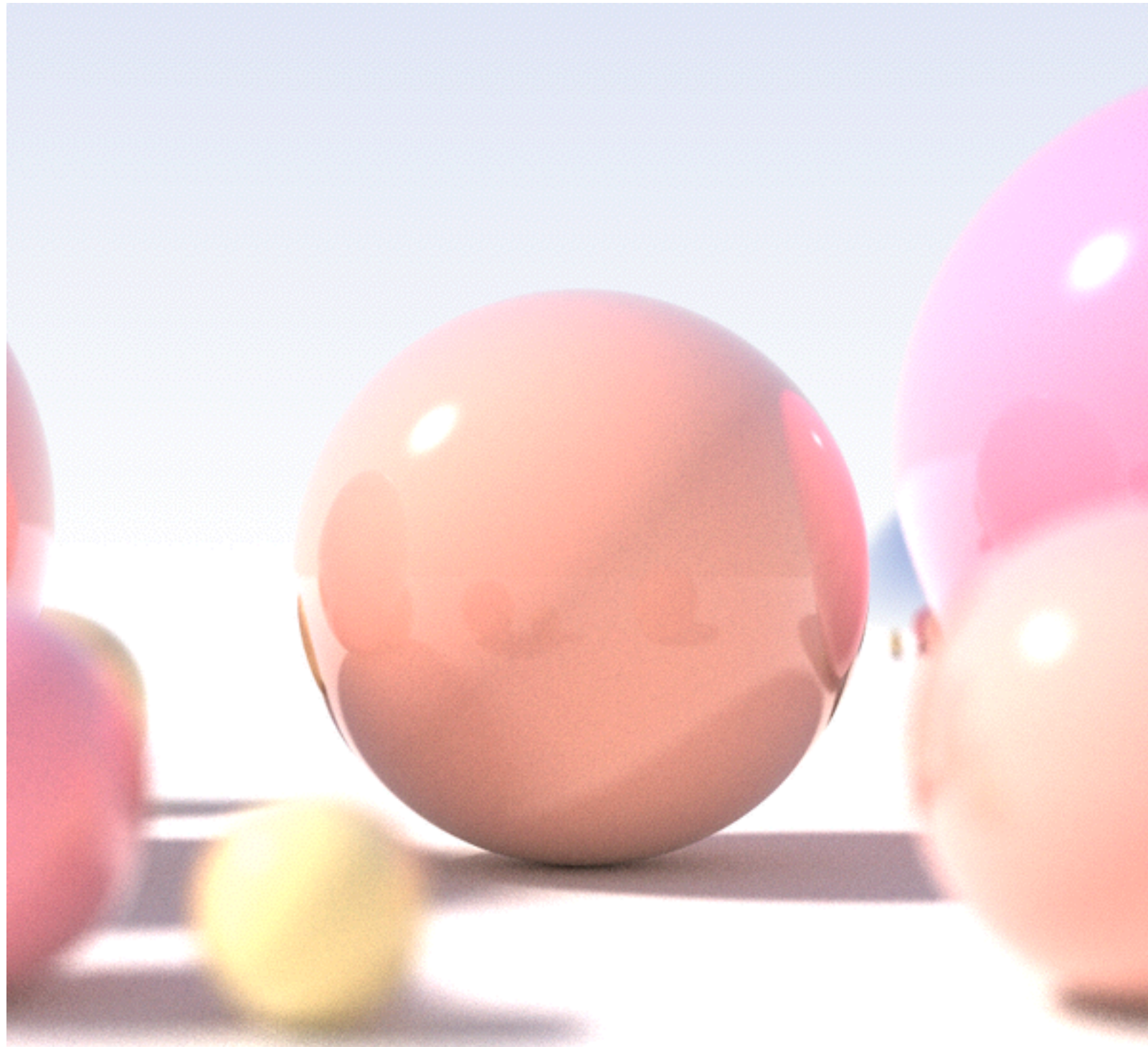




up to 16 reflections per ray

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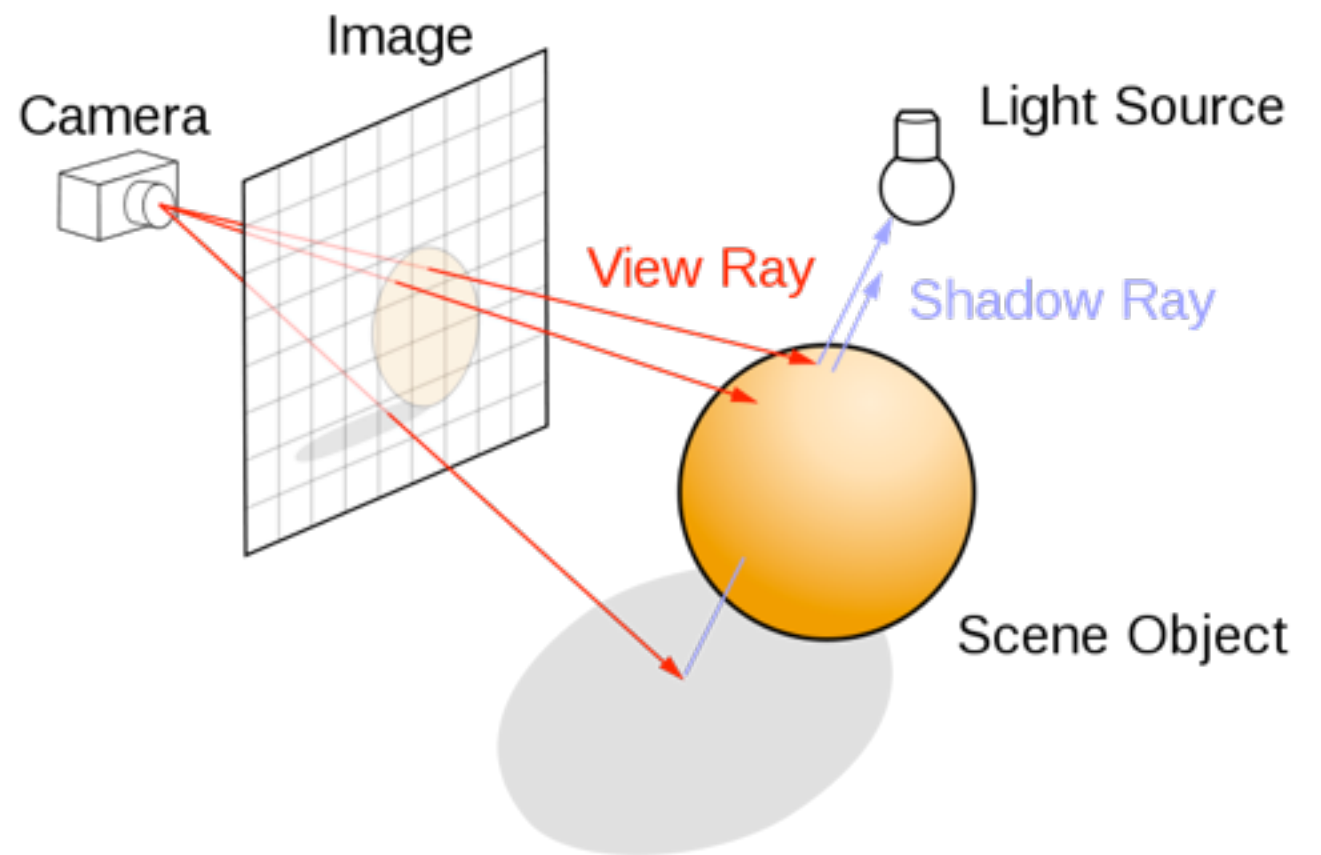
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shallow depth of field, area light sources,  
diffuse inter-reflection

# Basic Algorithm

for each pixel

1. **cast view ray:**  
compute view ray  
from camera through  
pixel into scene
2. **intersect:** find  
intersection of ray  
with closest object
3. **shade:** compute the  
color of the  
intersection point

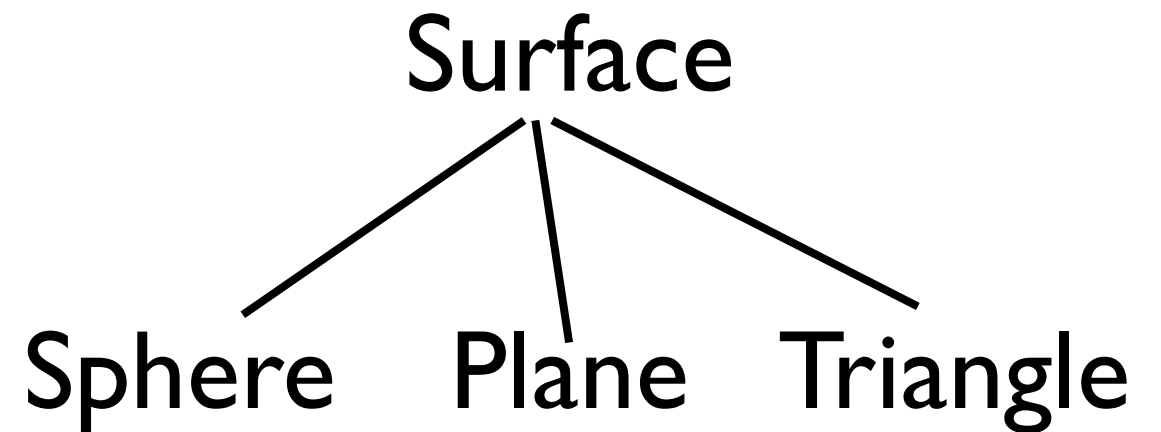


# Ray Tracing Program

```
for each pixel do  
    compute viewing ray  
    if ( ray hits an object with  $t$  in  $[0, \infty]$  ) then  
        compute n  
        evaluate shading model and set pixel to that color  
    else  
        set pixel color to the background color
```

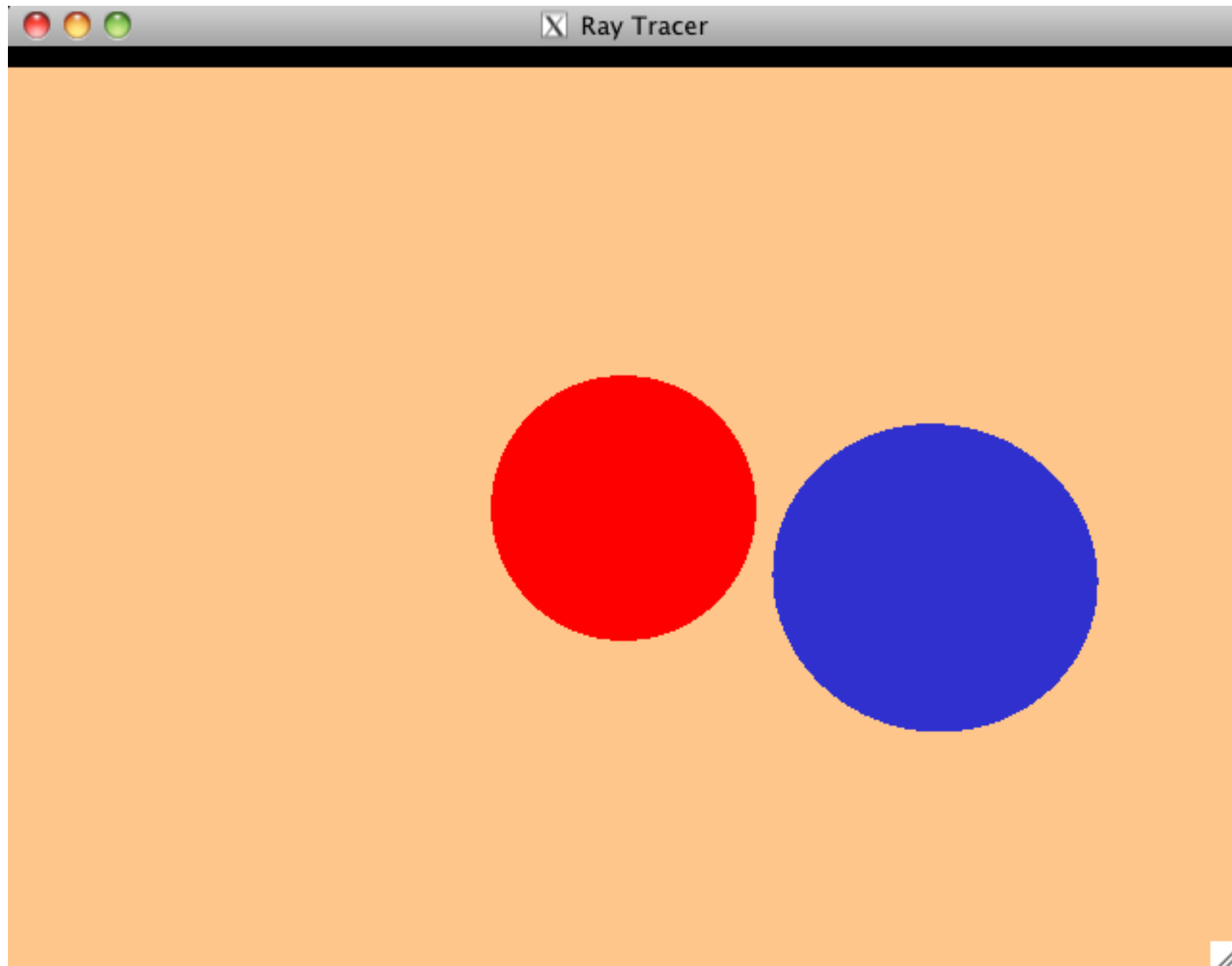
# Object-oriented design

```
class Surface
{
    public:
        bool Intersection(RAY& ray)=0;
        Box Bounding_Box()=0;
}
```

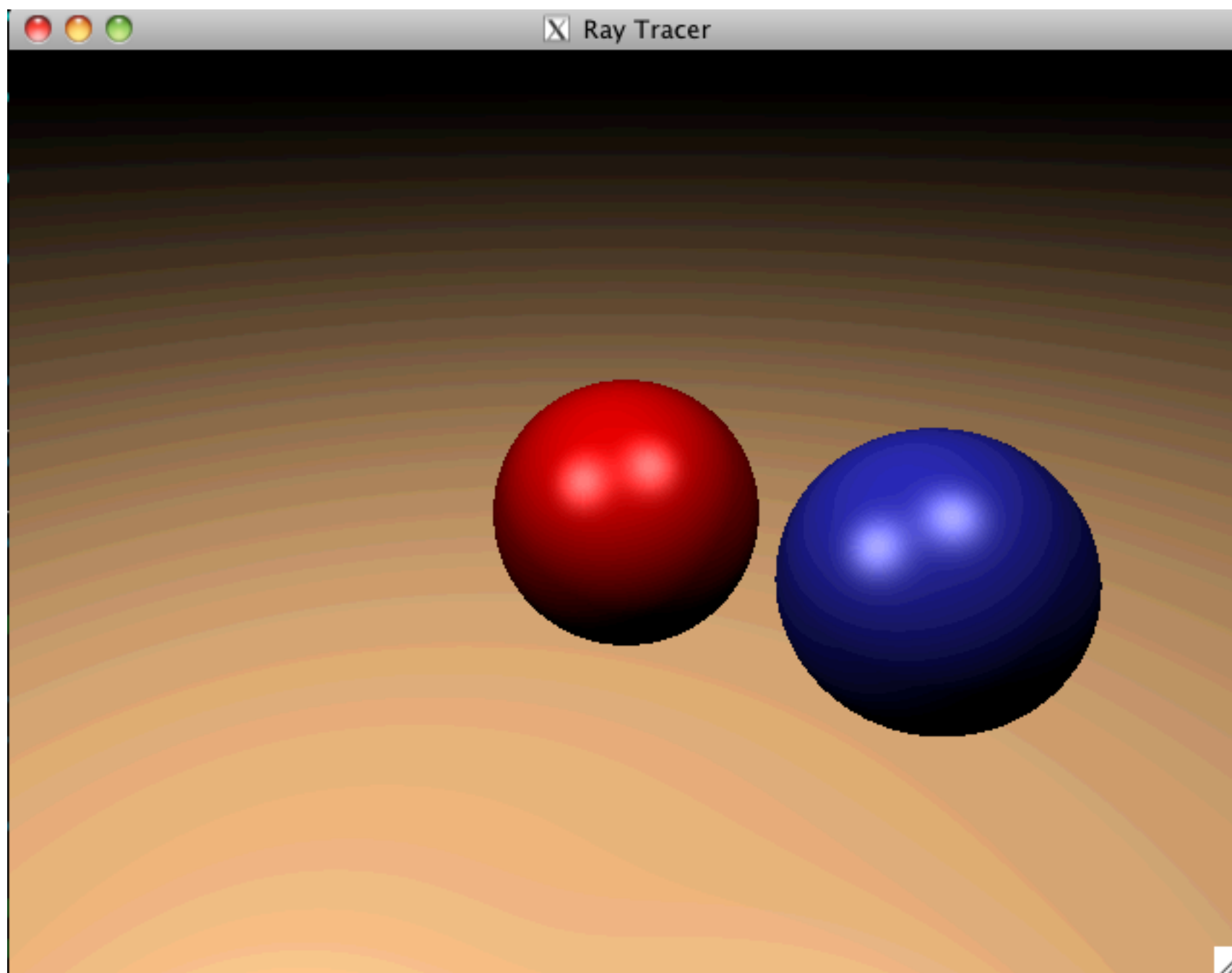


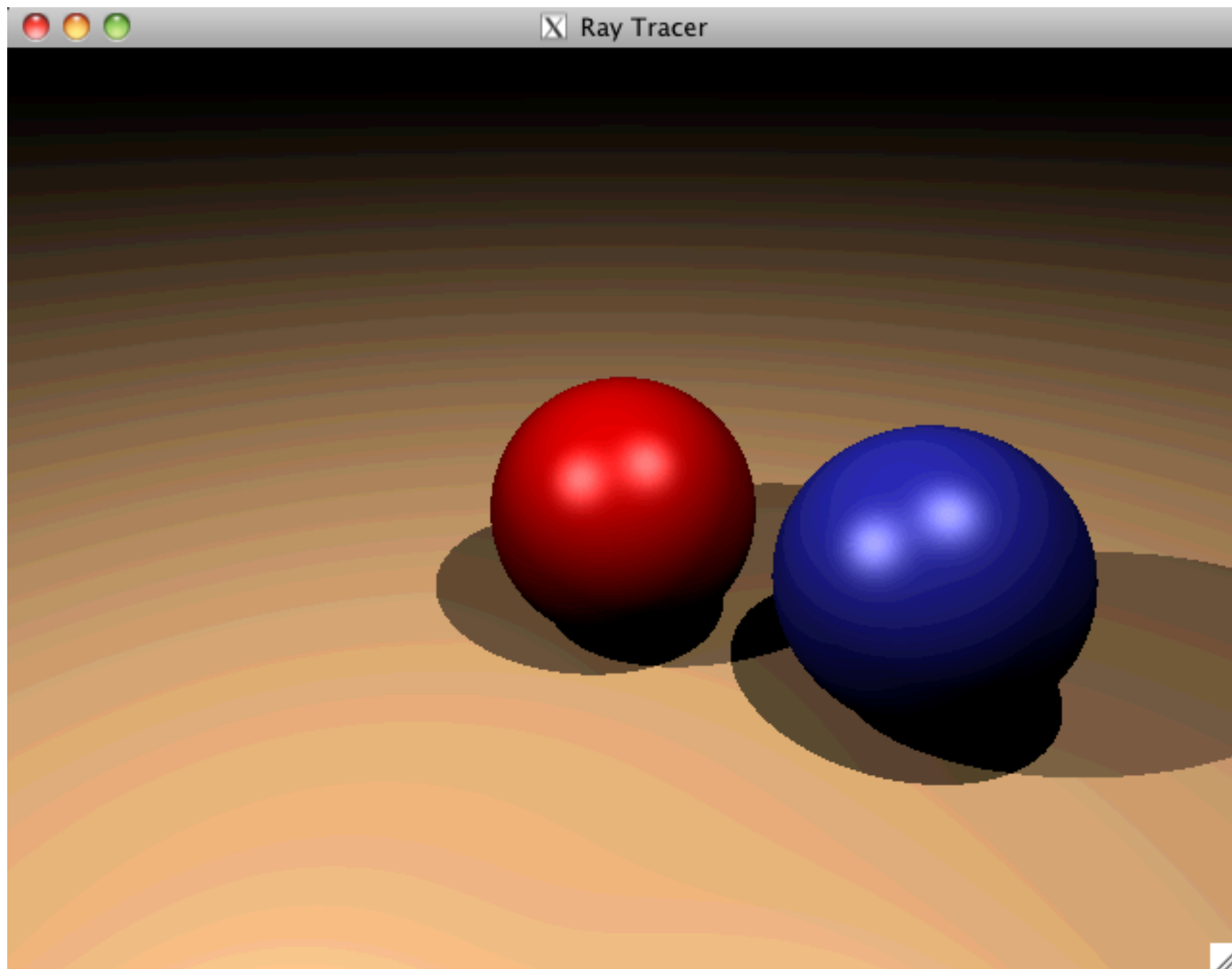
Other objects: Ray, Light,  
Material, Camera, Film, World

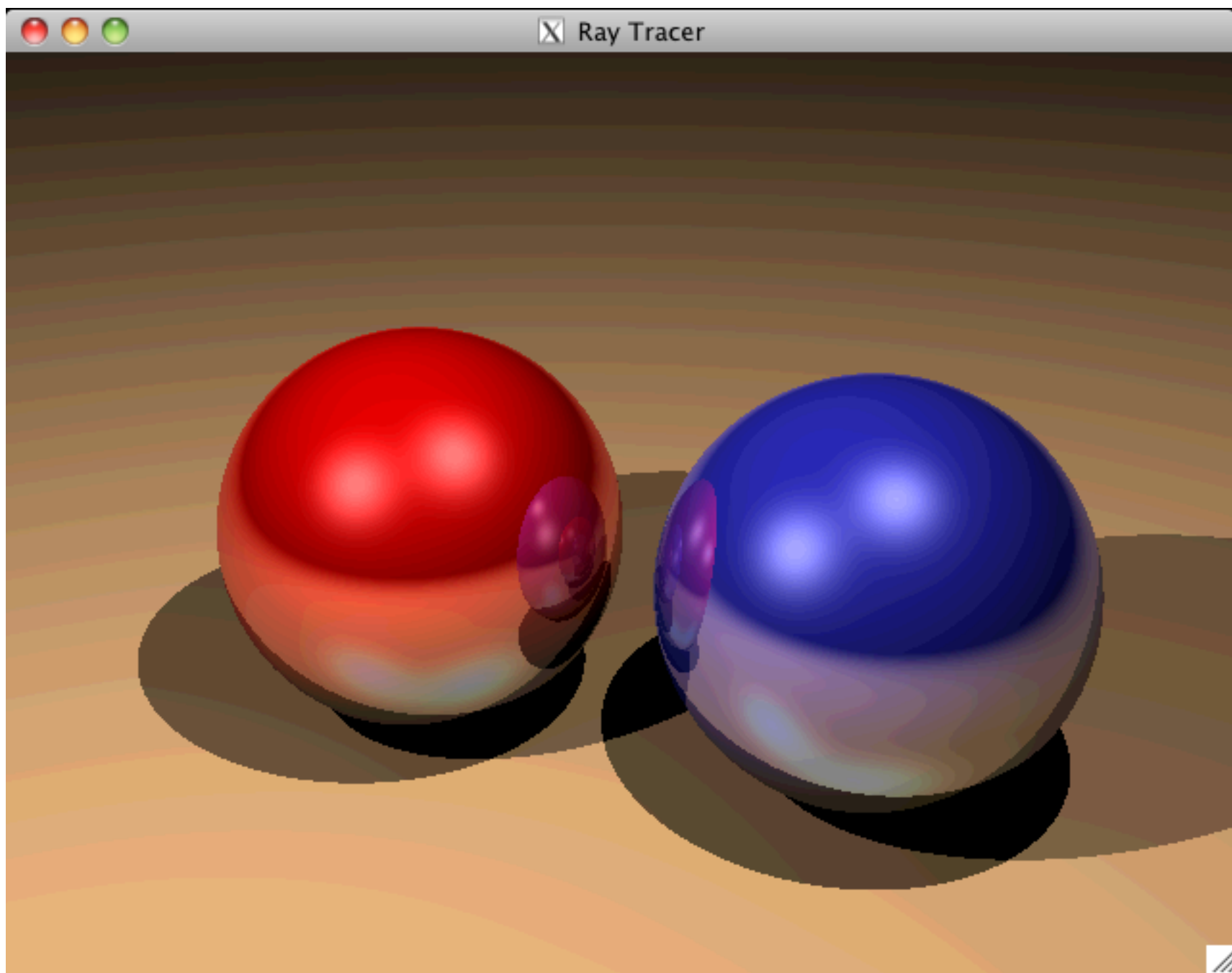
# Simple Ray Tracer



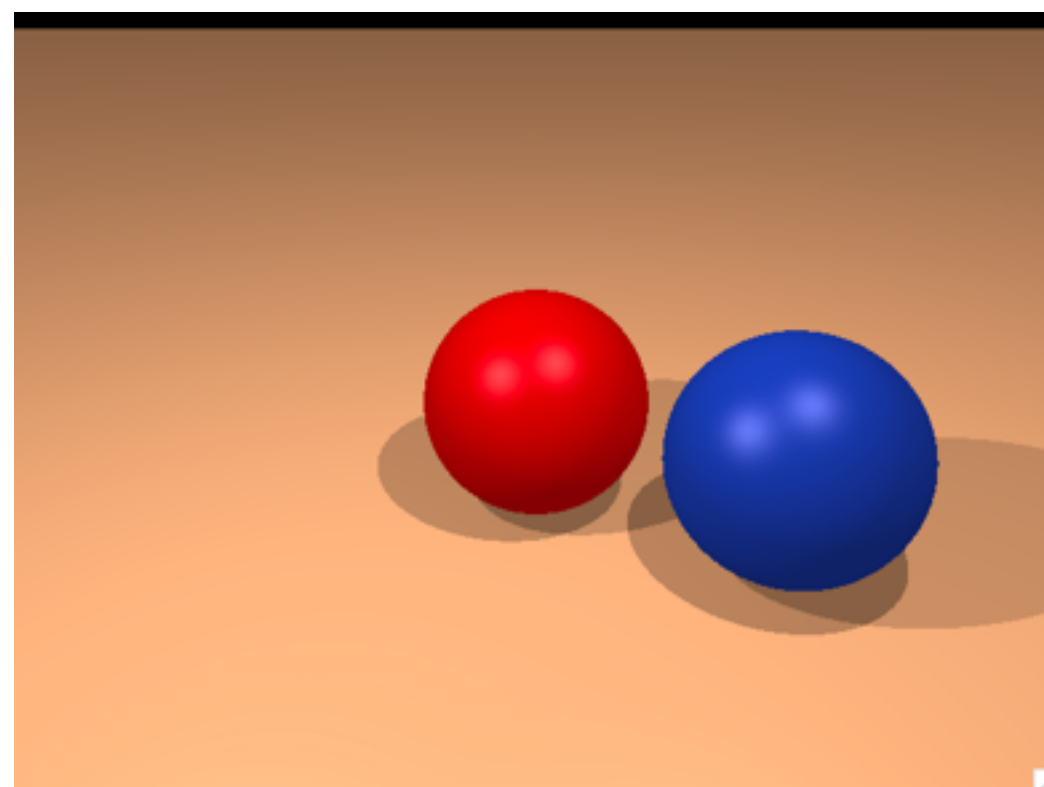
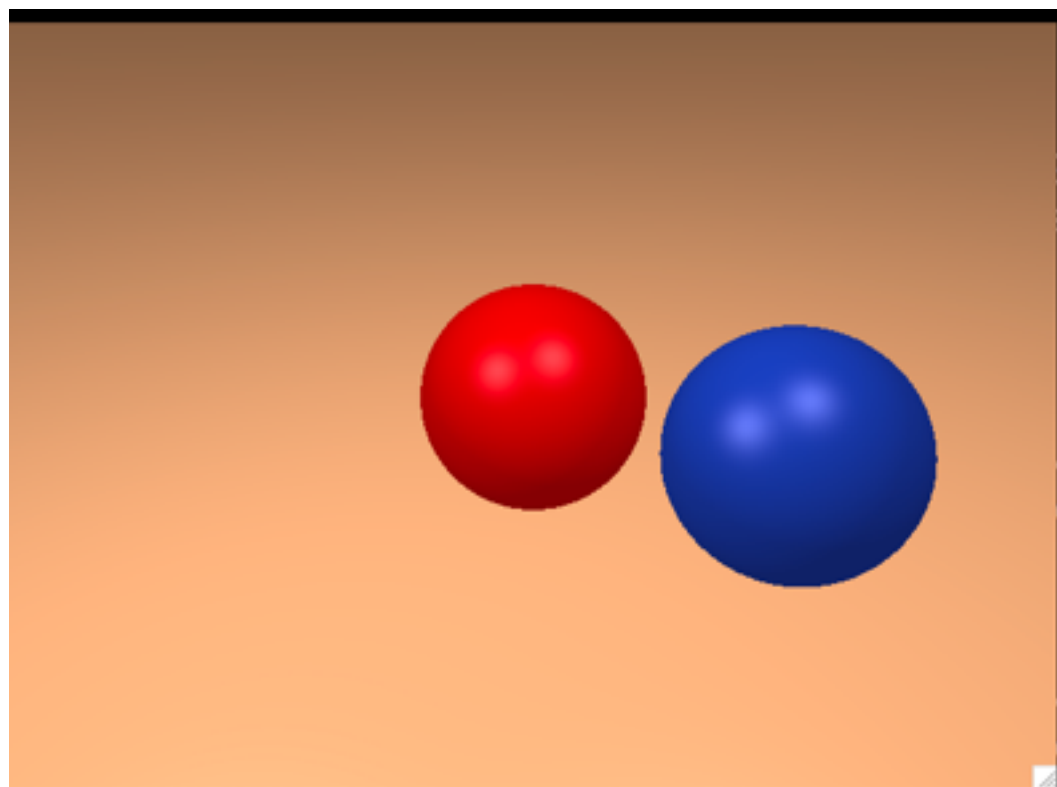








# Shadows





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    set pixel color to the background color
```

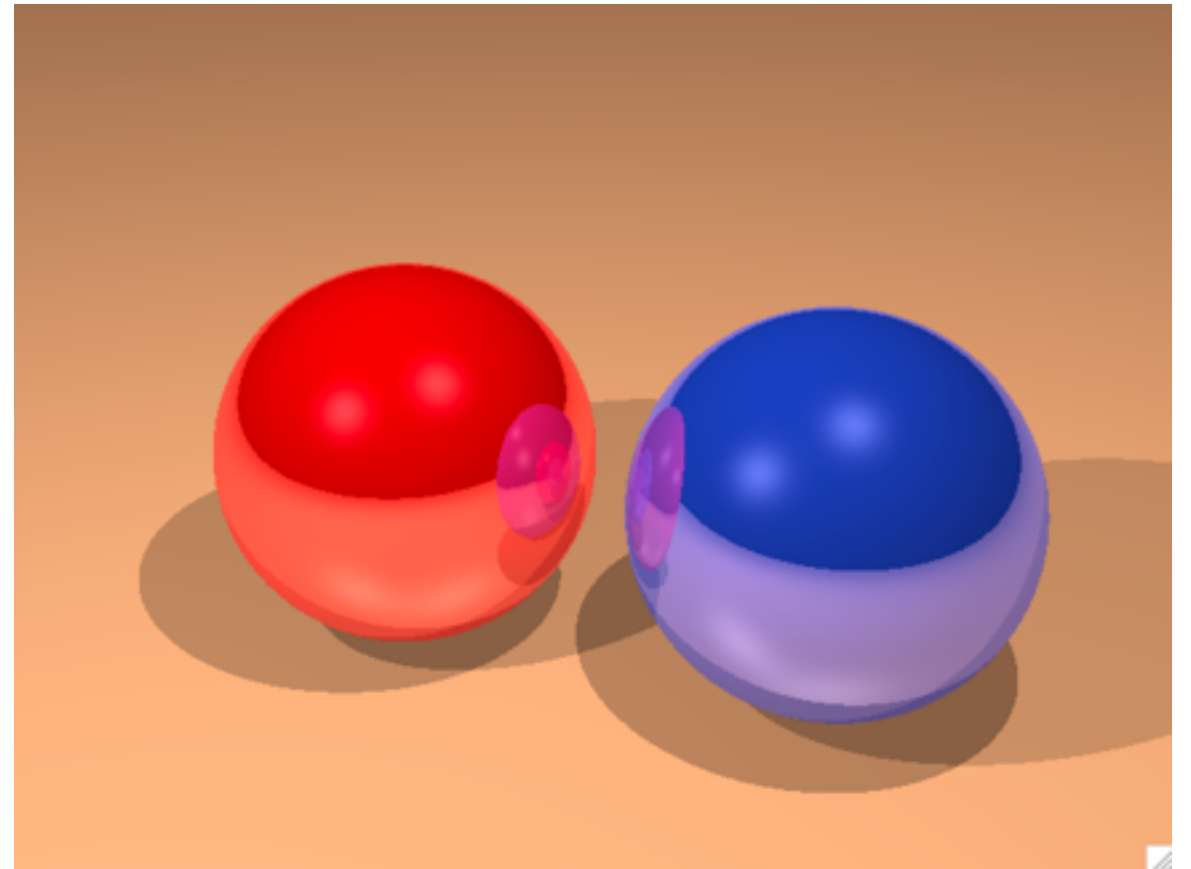
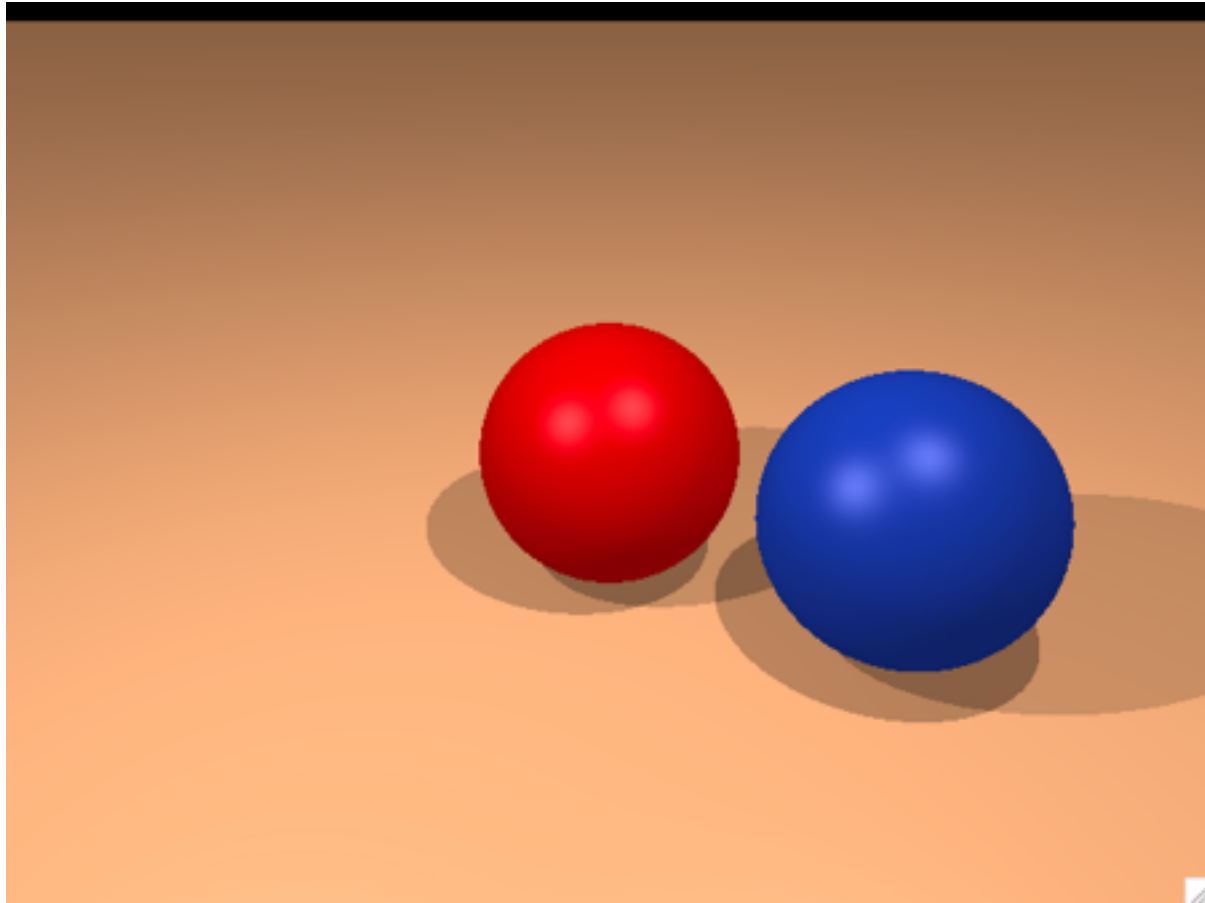
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    // e.g., phong shading
    for each light
      add light's ambient component
      compute shadow ray
      if ( ! shadow ray hits an object )
        add light's diffuse and specular components
  else
    set pixel color to the background color
```

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    set pixel color to the background color
```

# Reflections

```
for each pixel do  
    compute viewing ray  
    pixel color = cast_ray(viewing ray)
```

```
cast_ray:  
    if ( ray hits an object with t in [0, inf] ) then  
        compute n  
        return color = shade_surface  
    else  
        return color = to the background color
```

```
shade_surface:  
    color = ...  
    compute reflected ray  
    return color = color + k * cast_ray(reflected ray)
```