GUIDED PHOTON EMISSION RENDERING WATER FOR "ALITA: BATTLE ANGEL"

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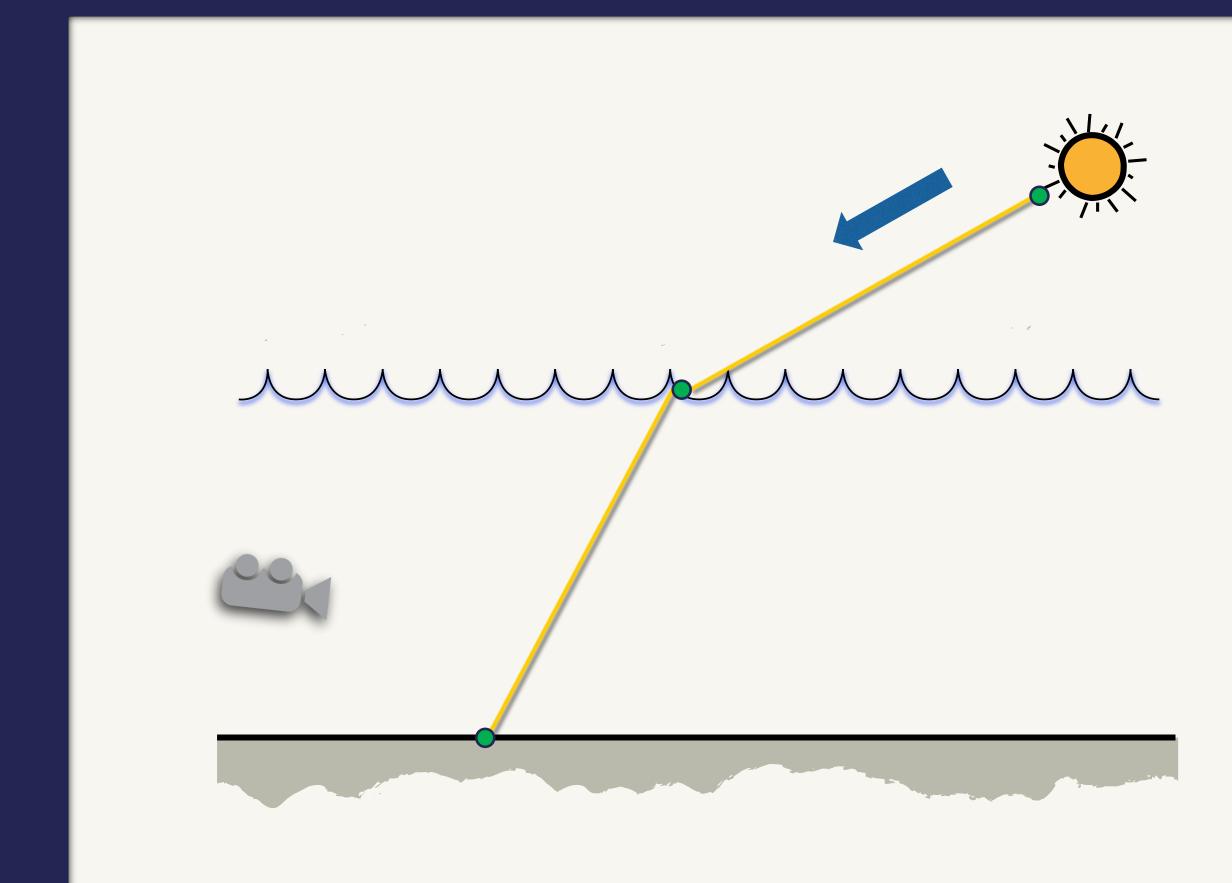
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- Merging is problematic (hair, volumes, ...) •





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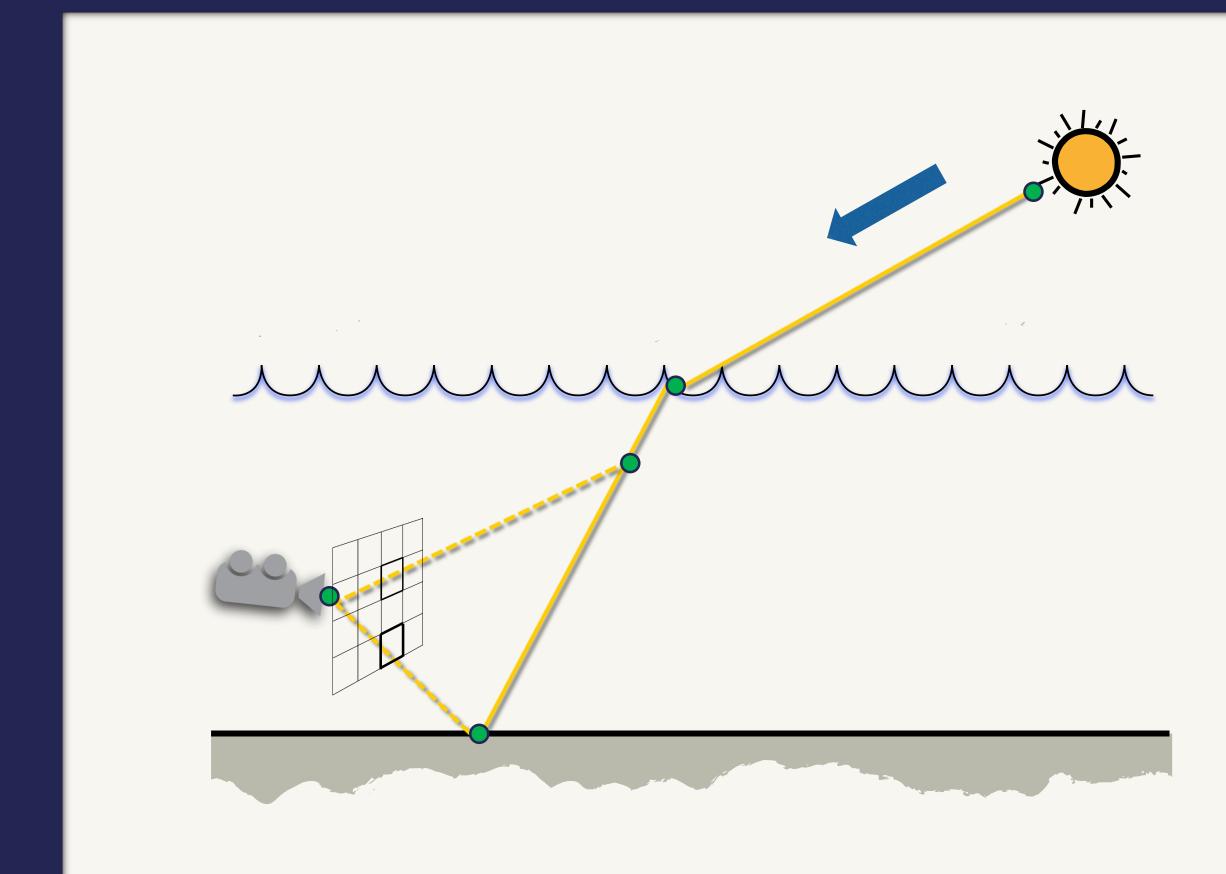




PATH TRACING / LIGHT TRACING

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- Merging is problematic (hair, volumes, ...) •
- Only direct connection \bullet





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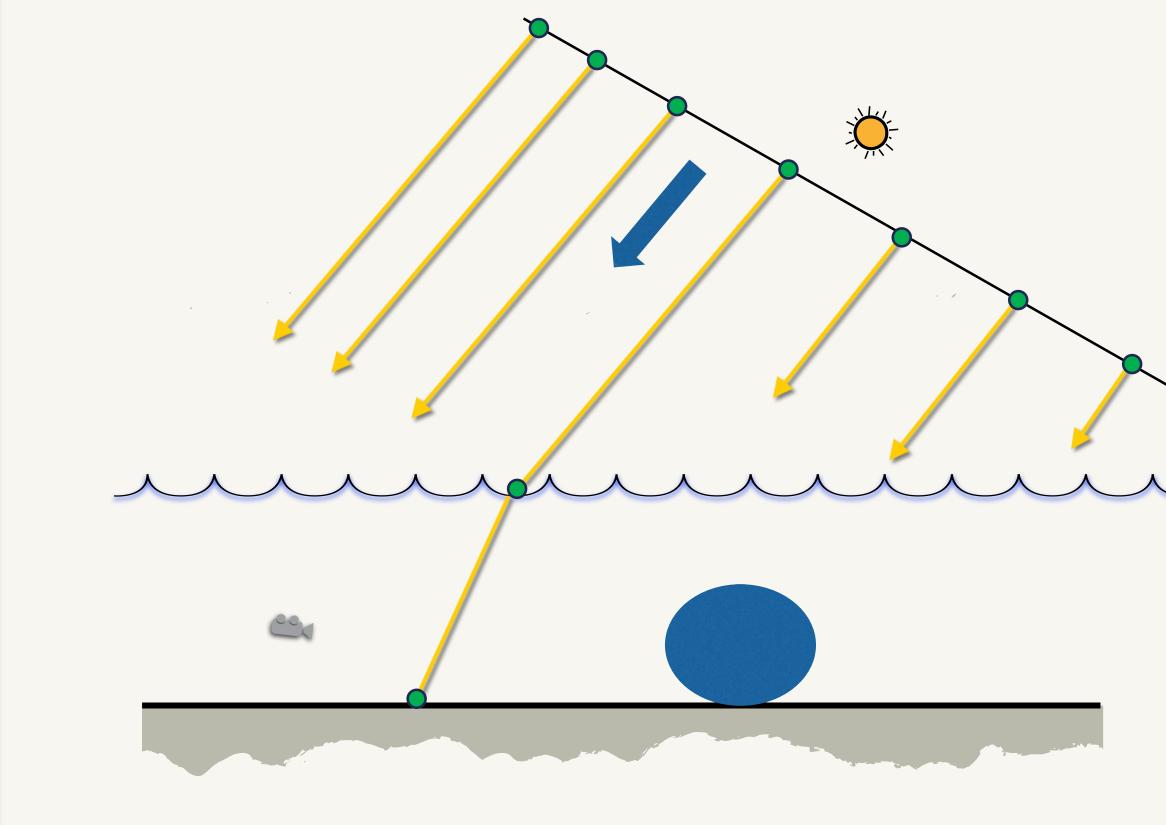




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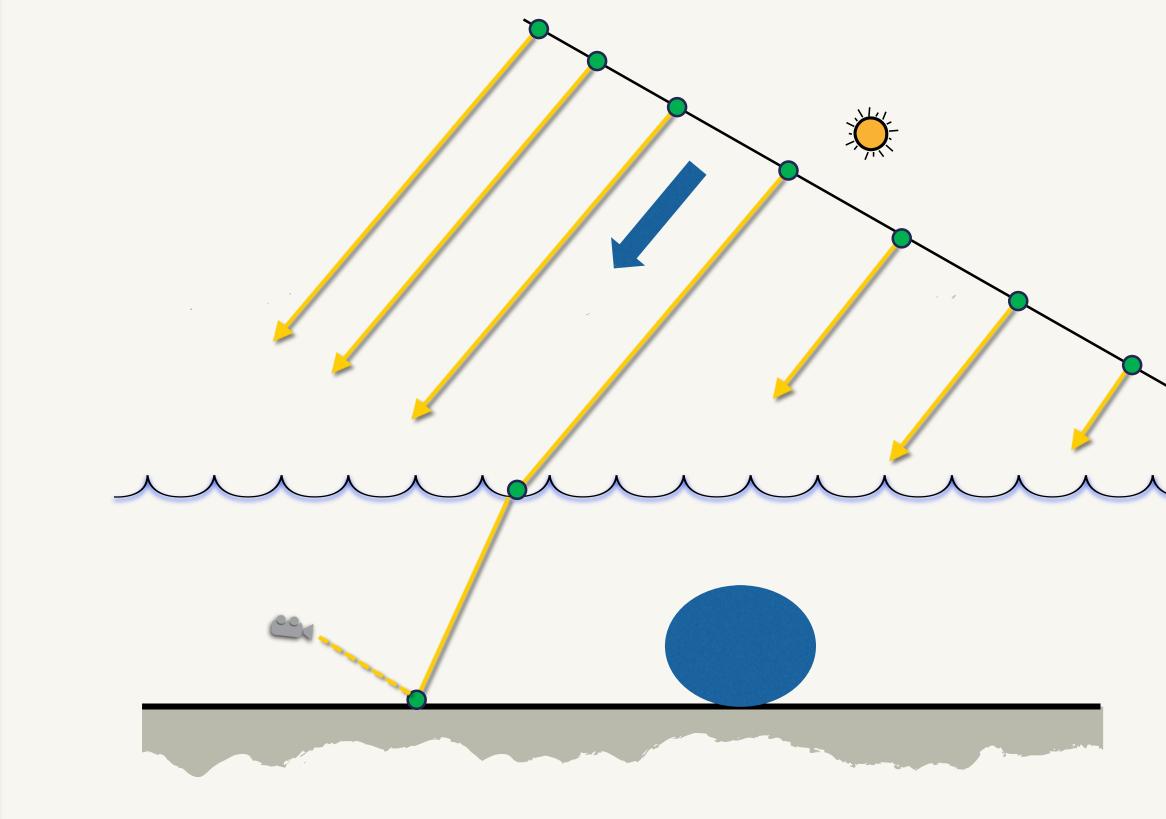




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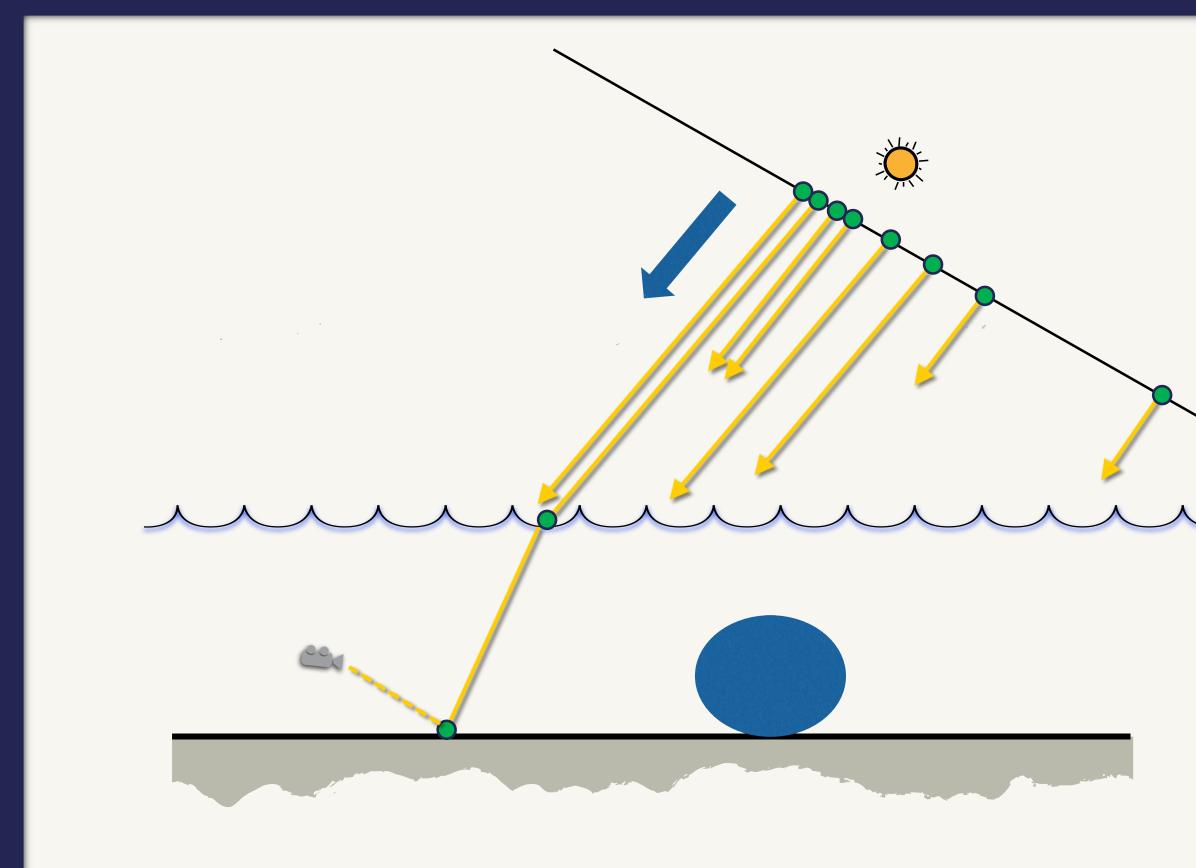




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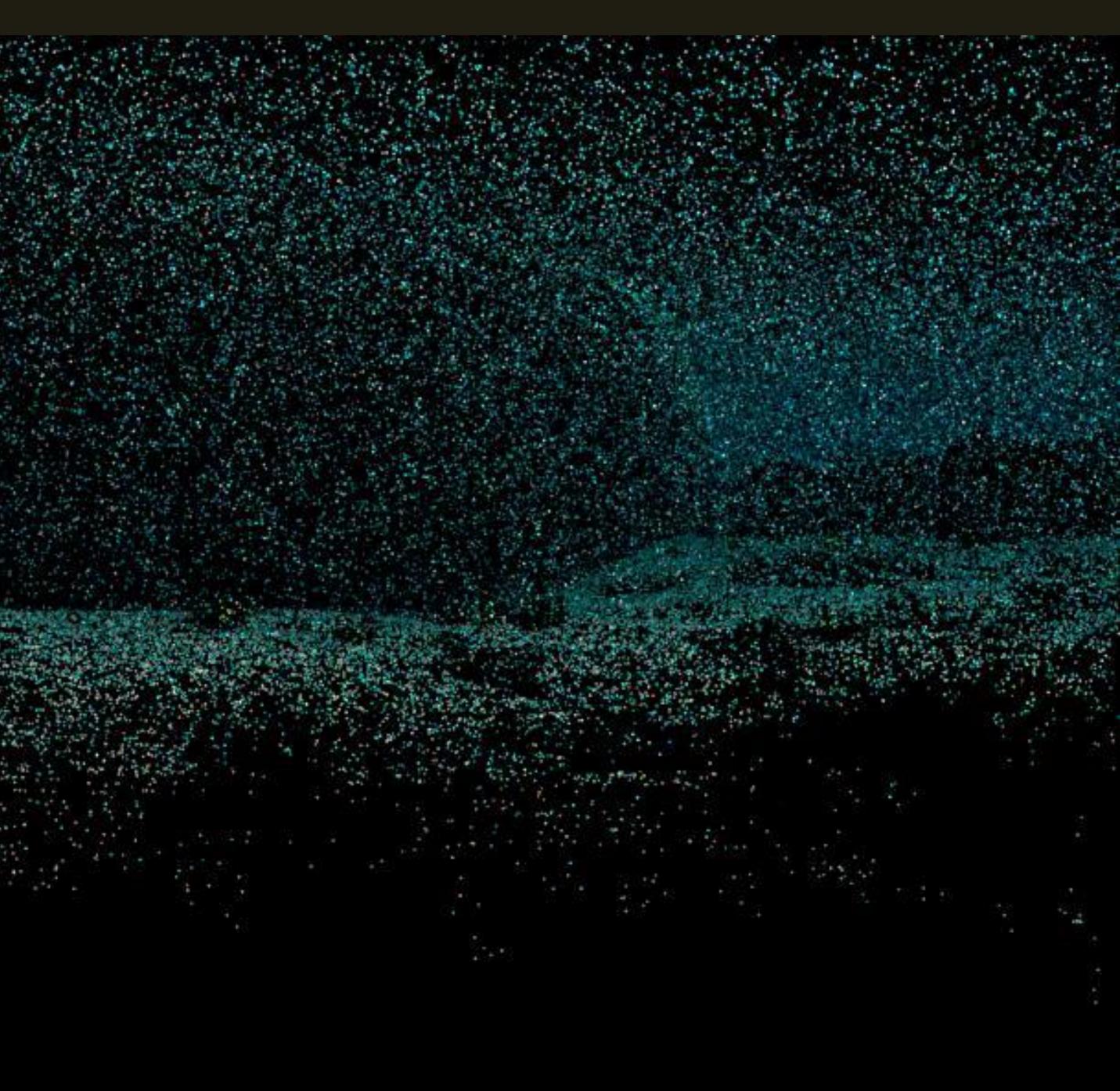


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Light tracing (512 spp)



Light tracing + guided emission (512 spp)



WHY PATH TRACING?

- Specular reflection/transmission
- Skin
- Adaptivity in the image plane •



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Guided path tracing (512 spp)



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