

Computer Graphics

– Lighting II (Questions)

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Point light

Directional light

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- The reduction of the intensity of light over distance is attenuation
- In the real world, lights are generally quite bright standing close by, but the brightness of a light source diminishes quickly at the start and the remaining light intensity more slowly diminishes over distance

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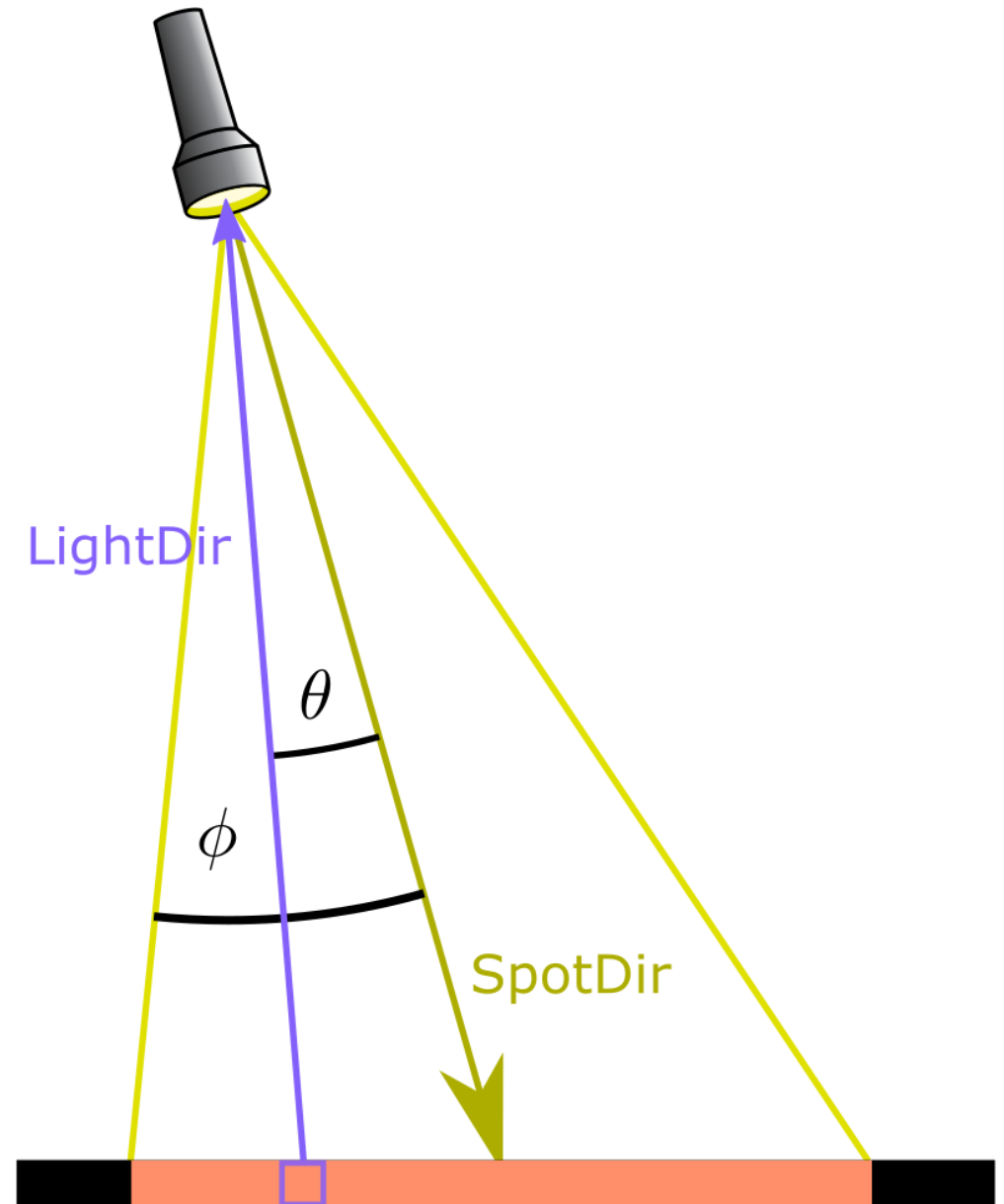
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Linear attenuation in $[\phi, \gamma]$:

$$I = \frac{\theta - \gamma}{\phi - \gamma}$$

