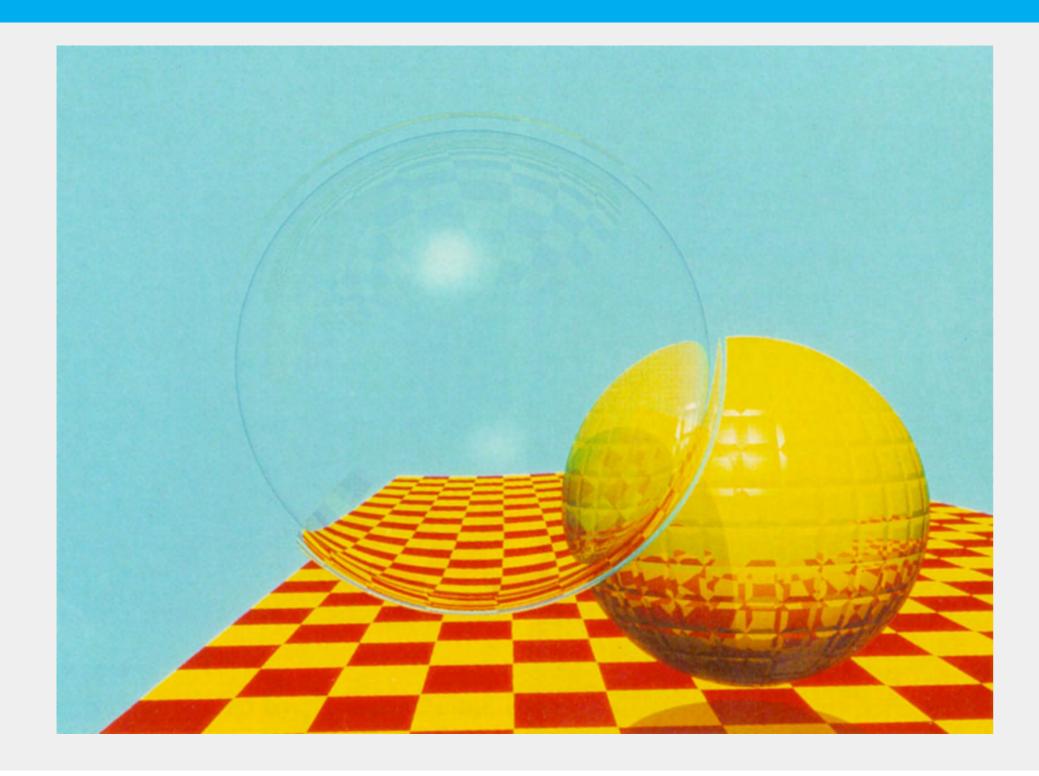


Visual Raytrace: An Immersive Learning Application

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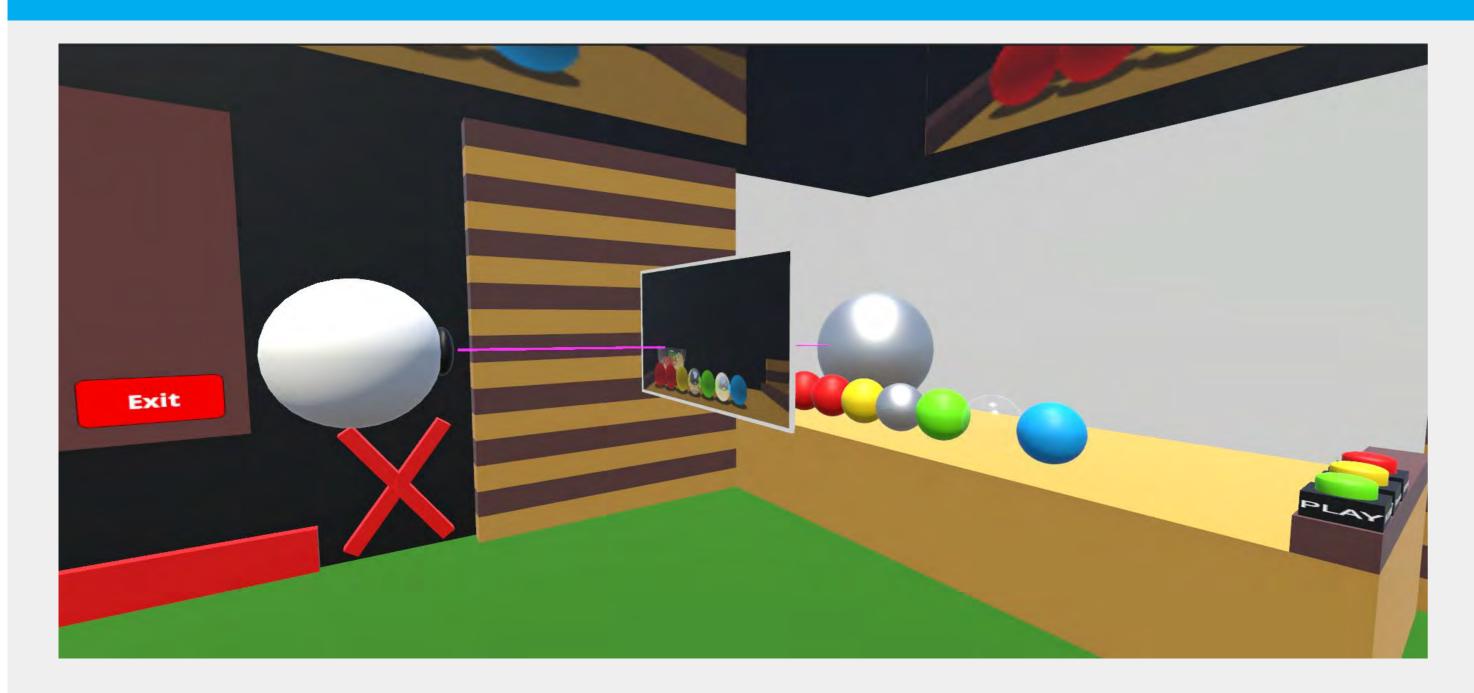
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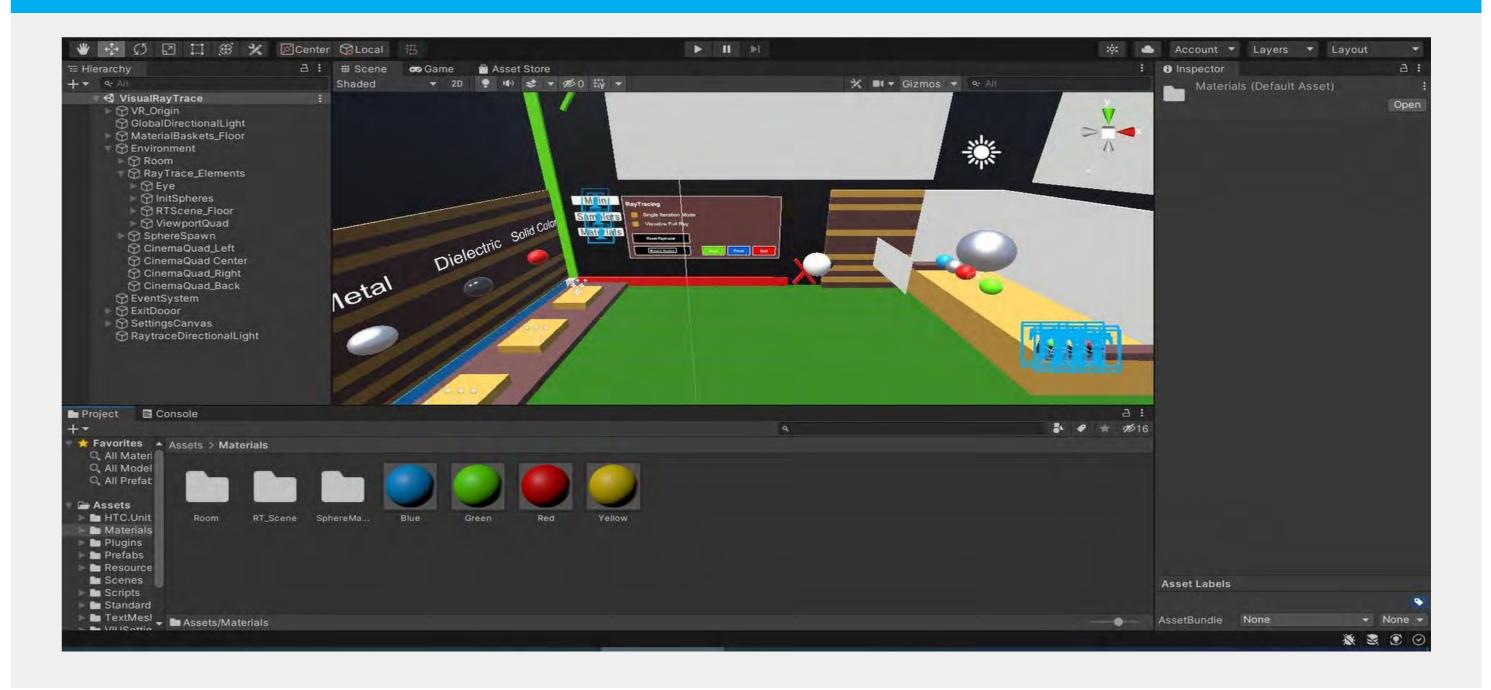
Immersive Learning

- ► Raytracing is one of the major topics in computer graphics classes.
- ► Students have to implement their own version of a working raytracer.
- ► To implement a raytracer students need to understand the basic concepts of computer graphics like coordinate systems, camera, lighting or reflection.
- ► Key for the successful implementation of a raytracer by the students: develop a high spatial imagination.
- ► The immersive learning application **Visual Raytrace** supports the transfer from 3D space to a programming language and deepens the understanding of the basic concepts of a raytracer.

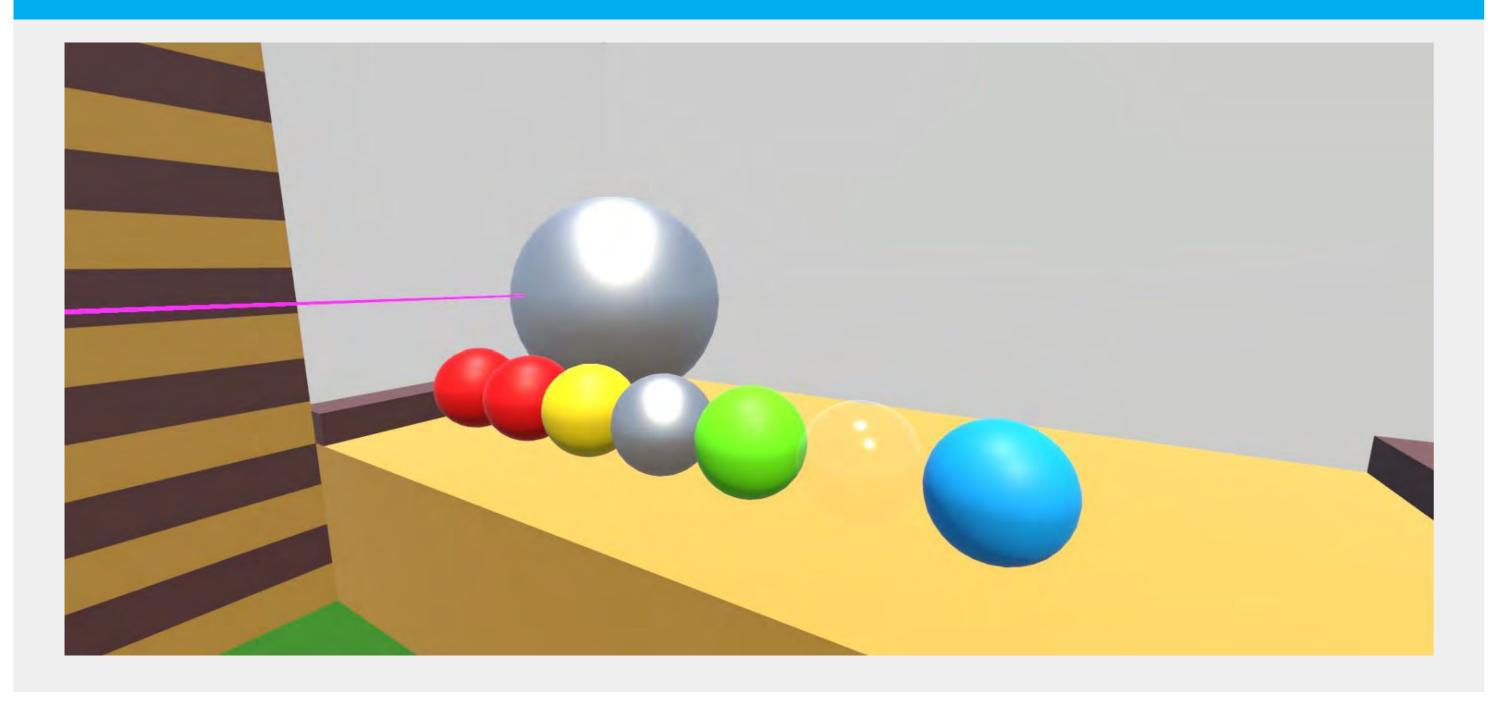
A Raytracer in a Virtual Environment



Unity and C#



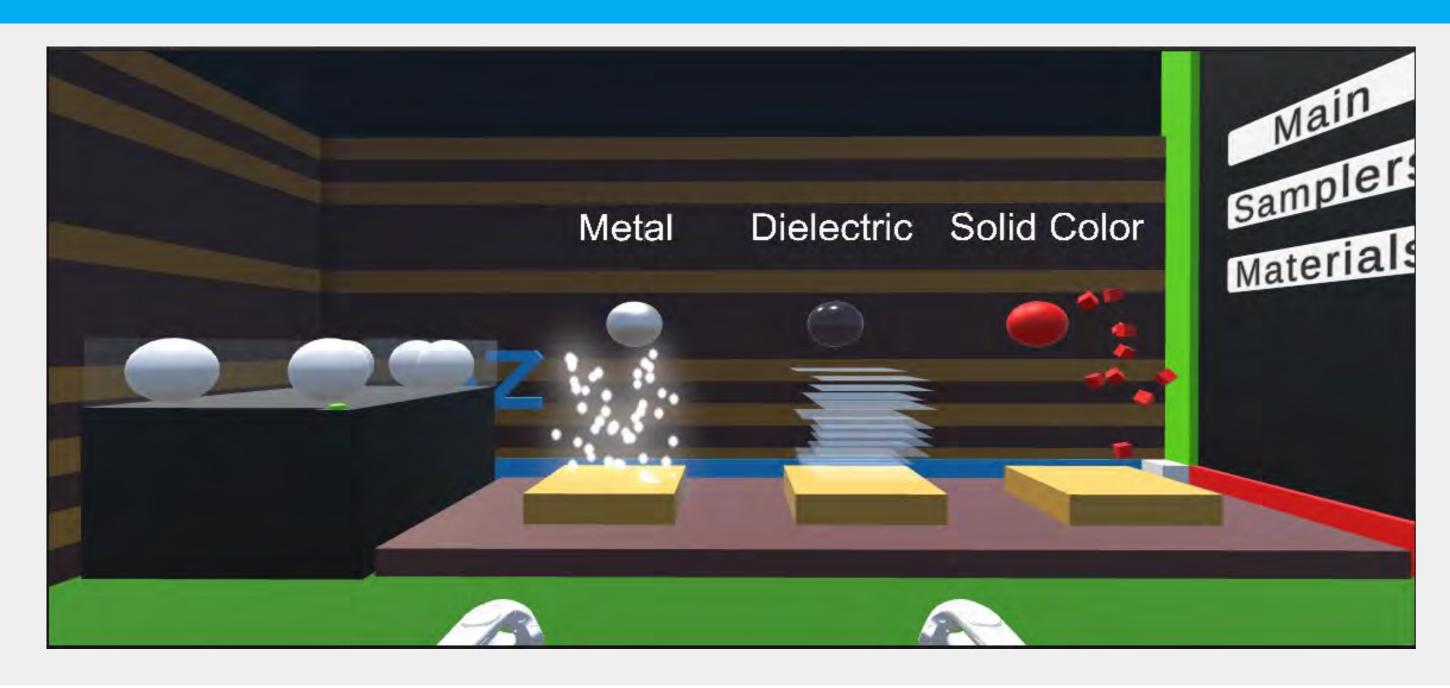
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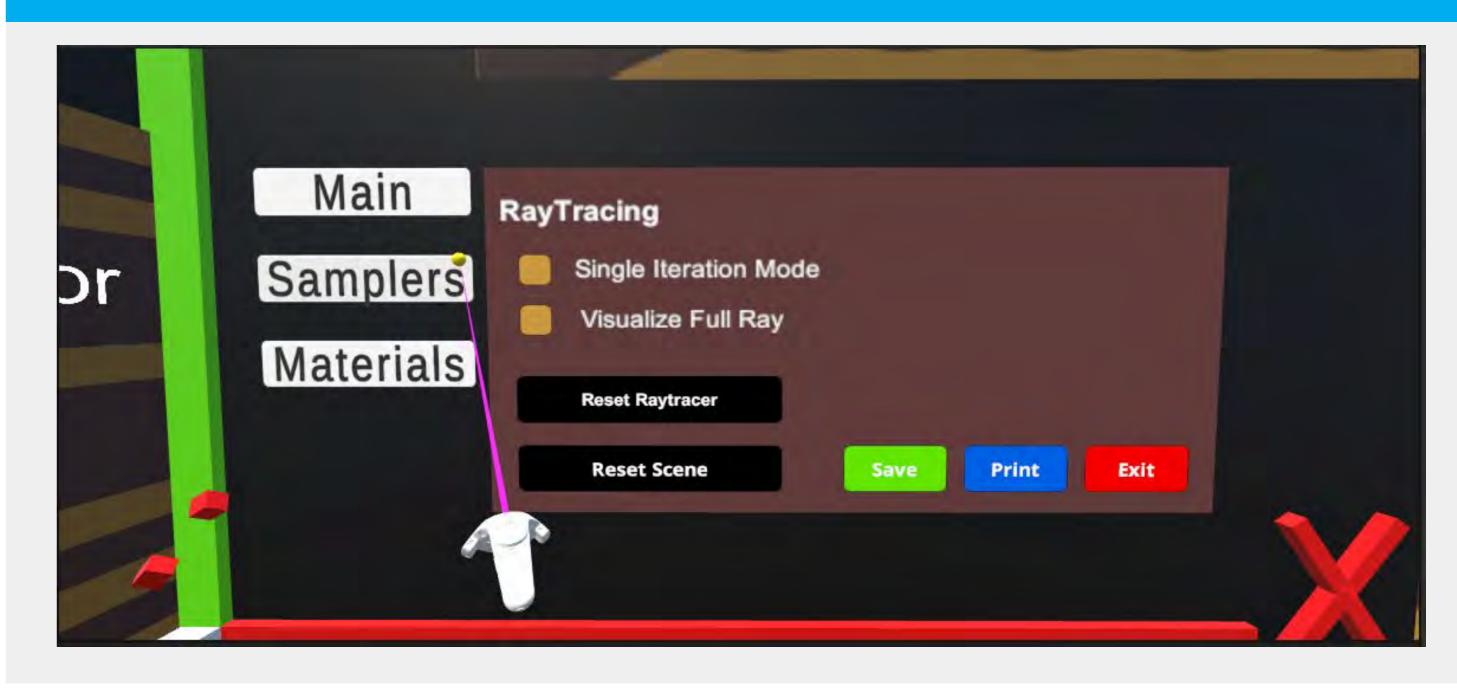
A Virtual Framebuffer and a Virtual Ray



Interactive Scene Definition



Settings for the Raytracer



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