

# Why Study Computer Science?



Money!

**Beautiful Images** 



#### Elements in This Video



3D Modeling / Geometry Simulation / Animation / Character Animation Lighting / Light Transfer

Textures and Color

Post-Processing: Image Processing Camera position / Optics

### What Is Computer Graphics?

Using computers to generate and display images

- Visual Perception
- Modeling
- Rendering Animation
- Image Processing





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#### Today

Motivation - What is Computer Graphics?

Course Mechanics and Overview

- Who is teaching this class anyway?
- WikiCourse Topics
- Assignments including assignment of assignments #1 and #2

Course Overview

Digital Images





#### Video Puppetry





#### Photomontage



#### Graduate Student Instructors



Robert Carroll Ph.D. student Computational Photography, Graphics, Vision



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### Contact With Teaching Staff

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• Do not email teaching staff directly unless absolutely necessary

Wiki: http://vis.berkeley.edu/courses/cs184-fa10/wiki

- All class related materials, handouts, schedule, readings posted there
- Will *not* distribute paper handouts
- Lecture notes posted there (*hopefully*) before classes

Google group: http://groups.google.com/group/ucb-cs184-fall-2010

- Send email to cs184@imail.eecs.berkeley.edu requesting invitation • Will post bug announcements, fixes for assignments and lectures there
- Not reading group... bad idea



## Computing Resources

Class accounts handed shortly

Can also use CS Labs

• Linux

• Windows

• Mac





Fundamentals

Supplemental material may also be provided

See other books listed on wiki

#### **Course** Topics

Visual Perception

Modeling

Rendering

Animation

Image Processing

#### Grading

- Assignments: 40%
- Mix of written and programing (about 5 of them)
  Average 1 or 2 weeks to do them
- Final Project: 20%
   Presentation:TBD prior to midterm
- Midterm: 20% • Wednesday, October I 3, In class
- Final: 20% • Monday, December 13 8:00-11:00am
- Check now for conflicts!

#### Prerequisites

You must know how to program C or C++

- Big final project, several programing assignments
- No hand holding

Data structures (CS61B)

Math: linear algebra, calculus, trigonometry

#### Assignments #1 and #2

Assignment #1: Getting Started

- Setup CS184 account and let us know who you are
- Get very simple OpenGL program working
- Due: Sat Sep 4 by 11pm

Assignment #2: Math Review

- Tests math prerequisites
- Due: Fri Sep 10 by 11pm





# Assignment #5: Parametric Surfaces [Ritchie & Cho, FOB]

#### Final Project: Open Ended

Your image/animation/game here!

# Waitlist

Relax for now... there is lots of space.

#### **Class Participation**

Reasons to participate

- More fun for me and you
- You learn more
- I won't give stupid little annoying quizzes in class

How to participate

- Ask questions
- Make comments

Stupid questions/comments

• That's okay

# Academic Honesty

If you use an external resource cite it clearly!

Don't do things that would be considered dishonest...

• If in doubt ask

Cheating earns you:

- An 'F' in the class and
- Getting reported to the University
- No exceptions.



#### Let's Have Fun!





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This **used** to be in an object based representation...



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Function→Polygons→Pixels

Think about making edits...

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Object and Function representations basically arbitrary ...later...

#### Raster Images

- 2D array of memory
- Pixels store different things
- Intensity
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# Discretization

Real world and "object" representations are continuous.

Raster images have discrete pixel *locations* and discrete pixel *values* 

Continuous ↓ Discrete	Pixels: Picture Elements
	Stephen Chenney
We will see problems from this soon	

#### Monitor Intensity and Gamma

Monitors convert pixel value into intensity level

- 0.0 maps to zero intensity = black (well not quite)
- 1.0 maps to full intensity = white

Monitors are not linear

- 0.5 does not map to "halfway" gray, (e.g. 0.5 might map to 0.217)
- Nonlinearity characterized by exponential function  $I=a^\gamma$
- where I= displayed intensity and a= pixel value (between 0 and 1)
- For many monitors  $\gamma$  is near 2 (often between 1.8 and 2.2)





# High Dynamic Range Images

Dynamic range of the human eye >> range of standard monitors Eye adjusts as we look around



