

Thinking Machines Corporation Presents

CS-184: Computer Graphics

Lecture 3: Shading

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Today

Local Illumination & Shading

- The BRDF
- Simple diffuse and specular approximations
- Shading interpolation: flat, Gouraud, Phong
- Some miscellaneous tricks

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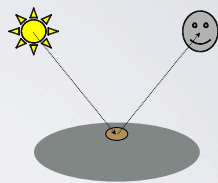
Local Shading

Local: consider in isolation

- 1 light
- 1 surface
- The viewer

Recall: lighting is linear

- Almost always...
(some materials reflect light nonlinearly)



Counter example: photochromatic materials

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Local Shading

Examples of non-local phenomena

- Shadows
- Reflections
- Refraction
- Indirect lighting

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The BRDF

The **B**i-directional **R**eflectance **D**istribution **F**unction

Specifies how light reflects off surface

- Incoming light direction
- Direction of viewer
- Orientation of surface
- Returns fraction of light that reaches the viewer

$$\begin{aligned}\rho &= \rho(\theta_V, \theta_L) \\ &= \rho(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{l}, \mathbf{n})\end{aligned}$$

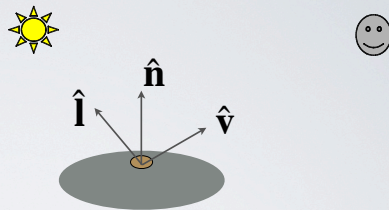
Represents reflective aspects of surface material at a point

We'll worry about physical units later...

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The BRDF

$$\rho(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{l}, \mathbf{n})$$



Could also capture spatial variation $\rho(x, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{l}, \mathbf{n})$

Frequency dependent

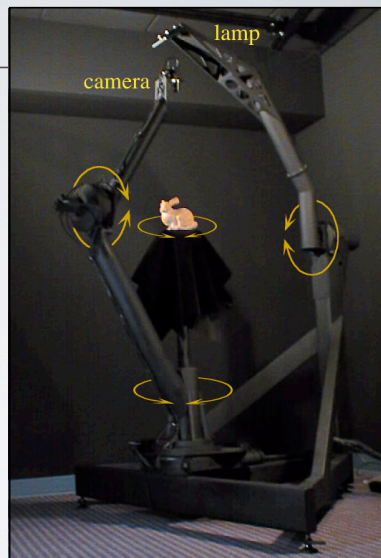
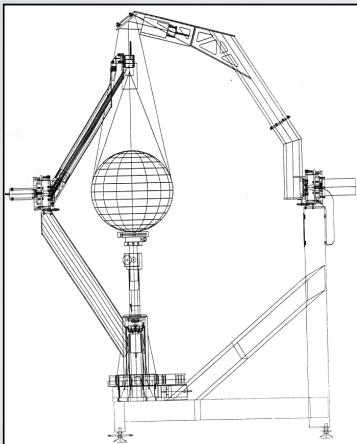
- Typically use independent functions for R, G and B
- Does not work perfectly
- Better:

$$\rho = \rho(\theta_V, \theta_L, \lambda_{in}, \lambda_{out})$$

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Obtaining BRDFs

Measure from real materials



Images from Marc Levoy

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Obtaining BRDFs

Measure from real materials

Computer simulation

- Simple model + complex geometry

Derive model by analysis

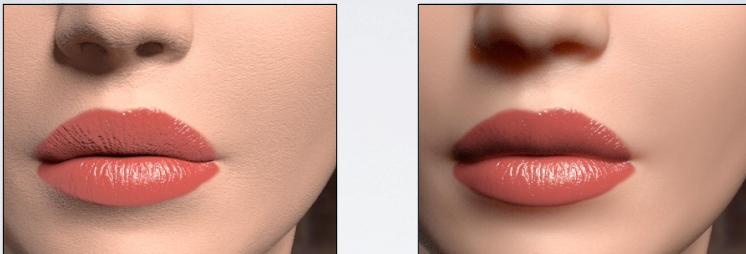
Make something up

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Beyond BRDFs

The BRDF model does not capture everything

- e.g. Subsurface scattering (BSSRDF)



Images from Jensen et. al, SIGGRAPH 2001

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Beyond BRDFs

The BRDF model does not capture everything

- e.g. Inter-frequency interactions



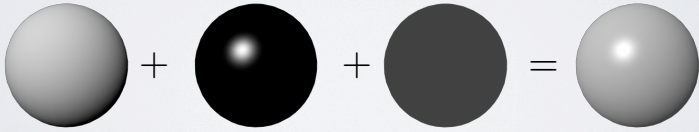
$$\rho = \rho(\theta_V, \theta_L, \lambda_{in}, \lambda_{out}) \text{ This version would work...}$$

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A Simple Model

Approximate BRDF as sum of

- A diffuse component
- A specular component
- A “ambient” term



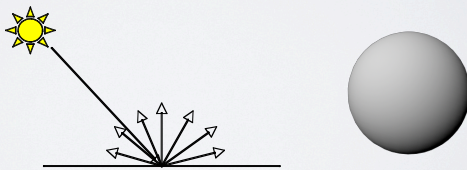
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Diffuse Component

Lambert's Law

- Intensity of reflected light proportional to cosine of angle between surface and incoming light direction
- Applies to “diffuse,” “Lambertian,” or “matte” surfaces
- Independent of viewing angle

Use as a component of non-Lambertian surfaces



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Diffuse Component

$$k_d I (\hat{\mathbf{l}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})$$

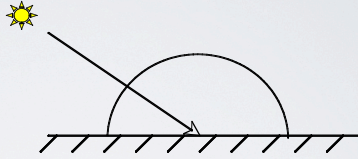
$$\max(k_d I (\hat{\mathbf{l}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}), 0)$$



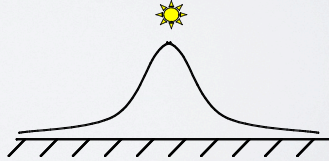
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Diffuse Component

Plot light leaving in a given direction:



Plot light leaving from each point on surface



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Specular Component

Specular component is a mirror-like reflection

Phong Illumination Model

- A reasonable approximation for some surfaces
- Fairly cheap to compute

Depends on view direction

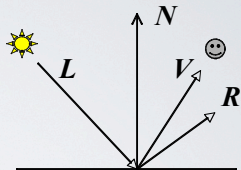


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Specular Component

$$k_s I (\hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{v}})^p$$

$$k_s I \max(\hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{v}}, 0)^p$$



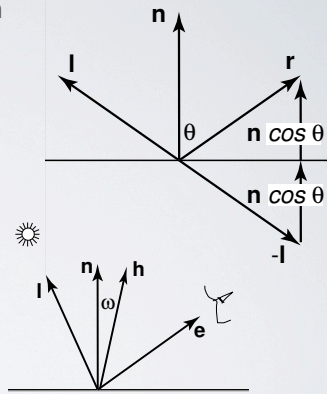
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Specular Component

Computing the reflected direction

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}} = -\hat{\mathbf{l}} + 2(\hat{\mathbf{l}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})\hat{\mathbf{n}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}} = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{l}} + \hat{\mathbf{v}}}{\|\hat{\mathbf{l}} + \hat{\mathbf{v}}\|}$$

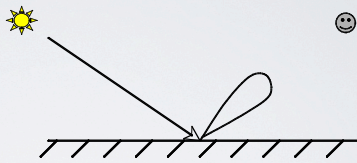


different specular term $k_s I(\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})^p$

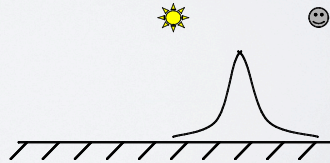
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Specular Component

Plot light leaving in a given direction:



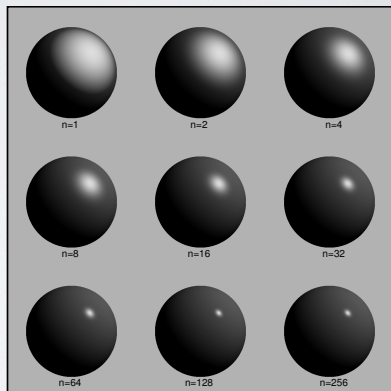
Plot light leaving from each point on surface



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Specular Component

Specular exponent sometimes called "roughness"



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Ambient Term

Really, its a cheap hack

Accounts for “ambient, omnidirectional light”

Without it everything looks like it's in space



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Summing the Parts

$$R = k_a I + k_d I \max(\hat{\mathbf{l}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}, 0) + k_s I \max(\hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{v}}, 0)^p$$



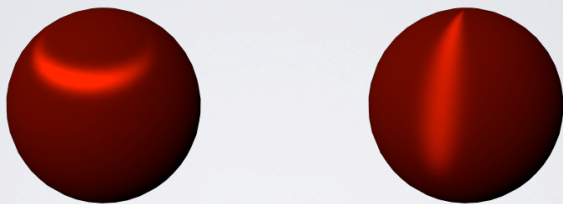
Recall that the k_γ are by wavelength

- RGB in practice

Sum over all lights

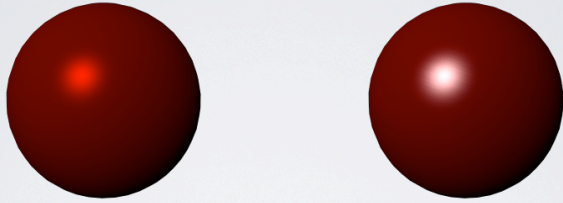
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Anisotropy

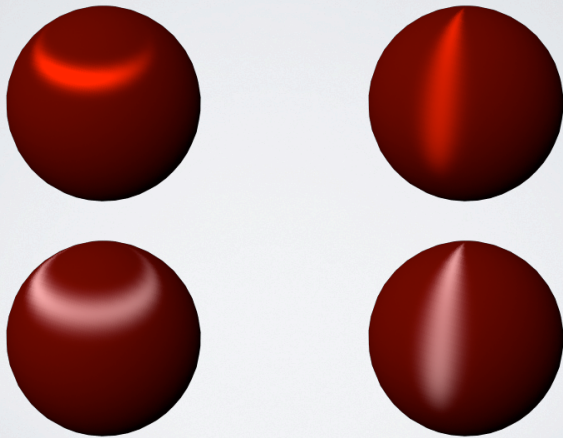


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Metal -vs- Plastic



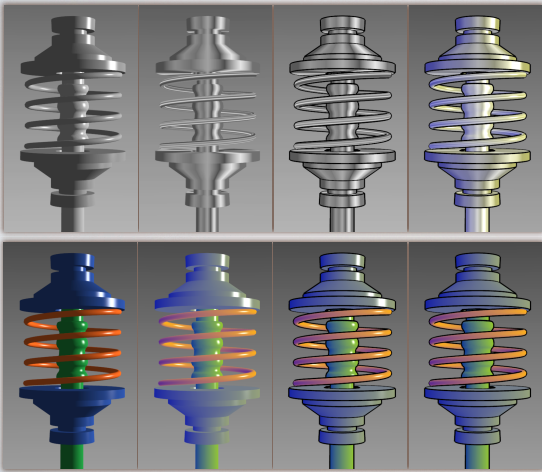
Metal -vs- Plastic



Other Color Effects



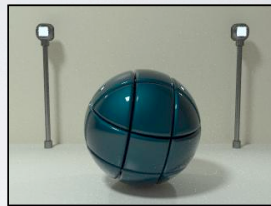
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Images from Gooch et. al, 1998

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Measured BRDFs



BRDFs for automotive paint

Images from Cornell University Program of Computer Graphics

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Measured BRDFs



BRDFs for aerosol spray paint

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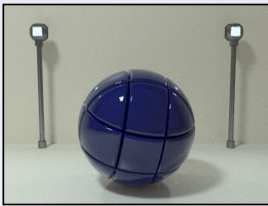
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Measured BRDFs



BRDFs for house paint

Measured BRDFs



BRDFs for lucite sheet

Details Beget Realism

The “computer generated” look is often due to a lack of fine/ subtle details... a lack of richness.

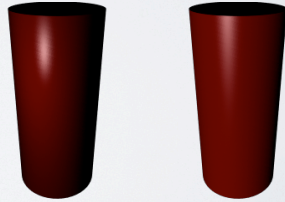


Direction -vs- Point Lights

For a point light, the light direction changes over the surface

For "distant" light, the direction is constant

Similar for orthographic/perspective viewer



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Falloff

Physically correct: $1/r^2$ light intensity falloff

- Tends to look bad (why?)
- Not used in practice

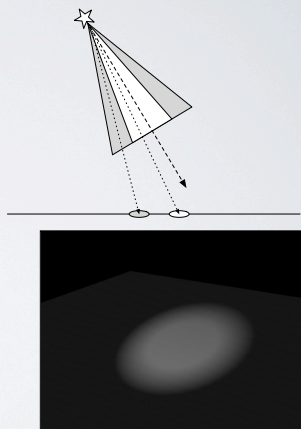
Sometimes compromise of $1/r$ used

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Spot and Other Lights

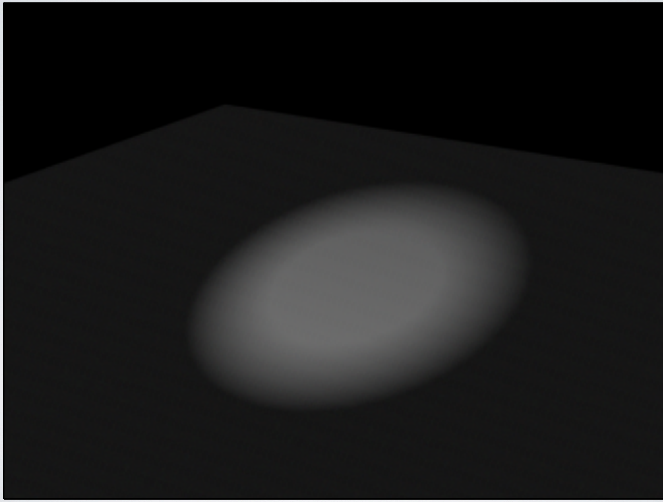
Other calculations for useful effects

- Spot light
- Only light certain objects
- Negative lights
- etc.



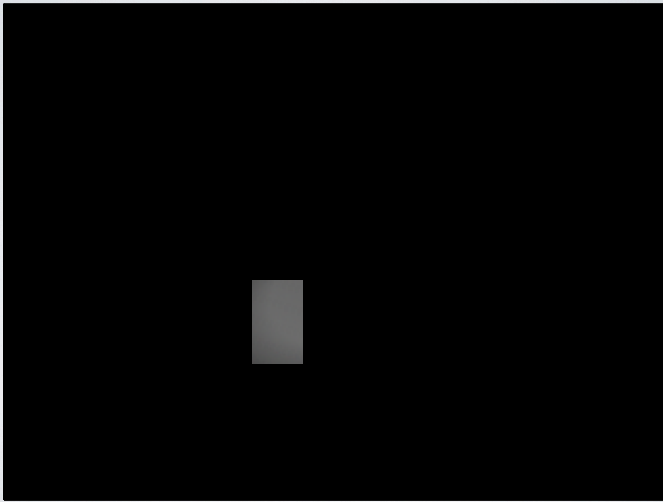
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Ugly....



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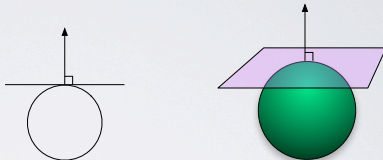
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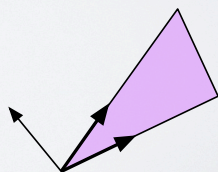
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Surface Normals

The normal vector at a point on a surface is perpendicular to all surface tangent vectors



For triangles normal given by right-handed cross product

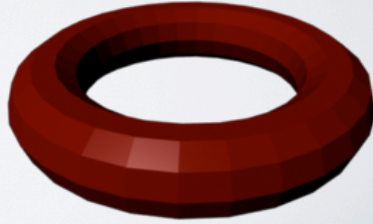


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Flat Shading

Use constant normal for each triangle (polygon)

- Polygon objects don't look smooth
- Faceted appearance very noticeable, especially at specular highlights
- Recall mach bands...



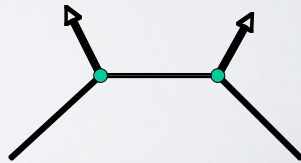
Smooth Shading

Compute "average" normal at vertices

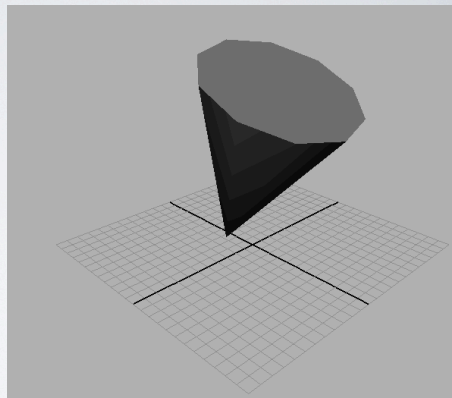
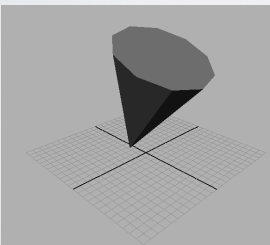
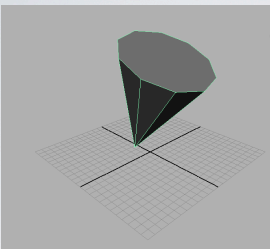
Interpolate across polygons

Use threshold for "sharp" edges

- Vertex may have different normals for each face



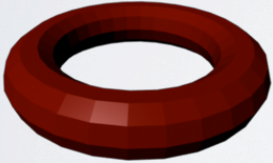
Smooth Shading



Gouraud Shading

Compute shading at each vertex

- Interpolate colors from vertices
- Pros: fast and easy, looks smooth
- Cons: terrible for specular reflections



Flat



Gouraud

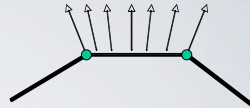
Note: Gouraud was hardware rendered...

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Phong Shading

Compute shading at each pixel

- Interpolate *normals* from vertices
- Pros: looks smooth, better speculars
- Cons: expensive



Gouraud



Phong

Note: Gouraud was hardware rendered...

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