

Light Transport

- Goal: Model the interaction of light with matter in a way that appears realistic (and is fast)

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Light Transport

- Assumptions:
 - Geometrical optics:
 - No diffraction, no polarization, no interference
 - Light travels in a straight line in a vacuum
 - No atmospheric scattering or refraction
 - No gravity effects
 - Discrete-wavelength approximation of color
 - Quantized approximation of dispersion and fluorescence
 - Superposition
 - No non-linear reflecting materials

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Bidirectional Reflectance

- Radiance L [W/(sr m²)]
 - radiant flux / (unit solid angle * unit area)

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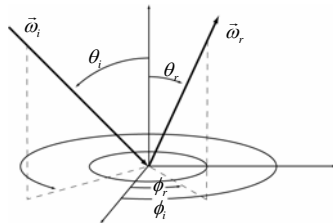


Bidirectional Reflectance

- Single incoming direction and single outgoing direction

$$L_r(\vec{\omega}_i, \vec{\omega}_r) = f_r(\vec{\omega}_i, \vec{\omega}_r) L_i(\vec{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\vec{\omega}_i$$

↖ bidirectional reflectance distribution function



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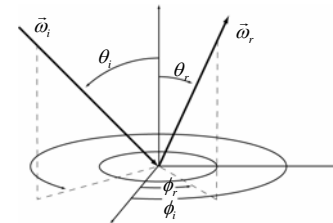


Bidirectional Reflectance

- Integral over all incoming directions

$$L_r(\vec{\omega}_r) = \int_{\Omega_i} f_r(\vec{\omega}_i, \vec{\omega}_r) L_i(\vec{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\vec{\omega}_i$$

↖ incident hemisphere



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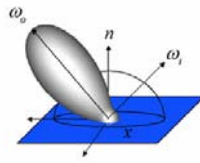
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Bidirectional Reflectance

- Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function (BRDF)

- anisotropic (4 DOFs) $f_r(\phi_i, \theta_i, \phi_r, \theta_r)$
- isotropic (3DOFs) $f_r(\phi_i - \phi_r, \theta_i, \theta_r)$



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Bidirectional Reflectance

- Generalizations

- anisotropic BRDF: 4 DOFs
- spatially varying: +2
- spectrally varying: +1
- Fluorescence: +1
- Phosphorescence: +1
- Subsurface Scattering: +2

→ General BRDF is 11 dimensional function!!

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Subsurface Scattering



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Global Illumination



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Complex Materials and Lighting



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Real-World vs. OpenGL

- Real world
 - complex computations
 - see optics textbooks, photorealistic rendering
- OpenGL
 - simplified model
 - ambient, diffuse and specular light sources and reflections
 - easy to tune
 - fast to compute

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Lighting

- Light sources
- Light reflection

The diagram illustrates light sources and reflection. In the top row, three blue shapes are shown. The first has yellow arrows radiating from it, representing a light source. The second and third have yellow arrows pointing towards them, representing light from a source. In the bottom row, two blue shapes are shown with blue arrows radiating from them, representing reflected light.

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Ambient Light

- Scattered by environment
- Coming from all directions
- Reflection **independent of**
 - Camera position
 - Light position (no light position)
 - Surface orientation
- Reflected intensity: $I = I_a k_a$
 - light source
 - material parameter

The diagram shows a blue ring on a black background, representing ambient light coming from all directions.

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Diffuse Reflection

- Directed light I_p
- Reflection dependent on
 - orientation of surface
 - light source position
- Independent of
 - camera position (reflected equally in all directions)
- Reflected intensity: $I = I_p k_d \cos \theta$
 $I = I_p k_d (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L})$

The diagram shows a blue ring and a surface patch. The surface patch has a normal vector \mathbf{N} and a light vector \mathbf{L} at an angle θ to the normal.

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Two Radiant Surface Patches

- Illumination B [lux]

$$B = \frac{dF}{dA_2}$$

The diagram shows two surface patches, Source and Receiver, separated by a distance r . The Source patch has area dA_1 and the Receiver patch has area dA_2 . The distance from the Source patch to the Receiver patch is r . The Source patch has a normal vector \mathbf{n}_1 and the Receiver patch has a normal vector \mathbf{n}_2 . The distance from the Source patch to the Receiver patch is r .

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Diffuse Reflection

- Diffuse reflection scales with angle

$$B = \frac{dF}{dA / \cos \theta} = \cos \theta \frac{dF}{dA}$$

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A Simple Model

- Sum up ambient light and diffuse reflection:

$$I = I_a k_a + I_p k_d (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L})$$

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Attenuation

- Quadratic attenuation due to spatial radiation

$$f_{att} = \frac{1}{d_L^2}$$

- A model often used in Graphics (OpenGL)

$$f_{att} = \min\left(\frac{1}{c_1 + c_2 d_L + c_3 d_L^2}, 1\right)$$

```
glLightf(GL_LIGHT0, GL_CONSTANT_ATTENUATION, c1);
glLightf(GL_LIGHT0, GL_LINEAR_ATTENUATION, c2);
glLightf(GL_LIGHT0, GL_QUADRATIC_ATTENUATION, c3);
```

- Include attenuation

$$I = I_a k_a + f_{att} I_p k_d (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L})$$

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Wavelength Dependency

- Colored light and reflection as functions of wavelength λ

$$I_\lambda = I_{a_\lambda} k_{a_\lambda} + f_{att} I_{p_\lambda} k_{d_\lambda} (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L})$$

- Restriction to RGB (OpenGL)

$$I_R = I_{a_R} k_{a_R} + f_{att} I_{p_R} k_{d_R} (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L})$$

$$I_G = I_{a_G} k_{a_G} + f_{att} I_{p_G} k_{d_G} (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L})$$

$$I_B = I_{a_B} k_{a_B} + f_{att} I_{p_B} k_{d_B} (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L})$$

Restriction of spectral sampling to RGB can lead to substantial color artifacts

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Depth Cueing (Fog)

- Linear depth cue by blending with the color of the participating medium

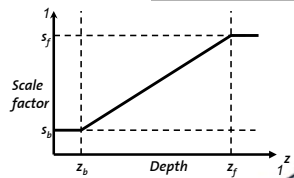
$$I_\lambda = sI_\lambda + (1-s)I_{dc_\lambda}$$



- s is scaling factor

$$s = s_b + \frac{(z - z_b)(s_f - s_b)}{z_f - z_b}$$

$$\text{for } z_b \leq z \leq z_f$$

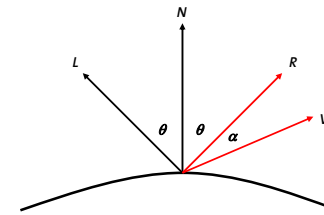


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Specular Reflection

- Depends on angle between reflection and viewing ray

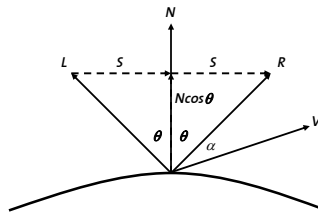


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Reflected Ray

- Computed using simple vector algebra



$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{N}\cos\theta + \mathbf{S}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = 2\mathbf{N}\cos\theta - \mathbf{L} = 2\mathbf{N}(\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L}) - \mathbf{L}$$

$$\cos\alpha = \mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{V} = (2\mathbf{N}(\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L}) - \mathbf{L}) \cdot \mathbf{V}$$

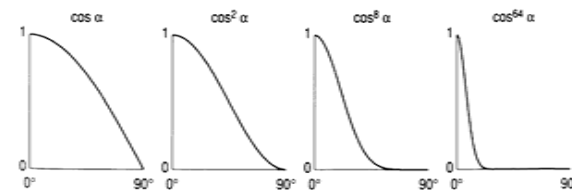
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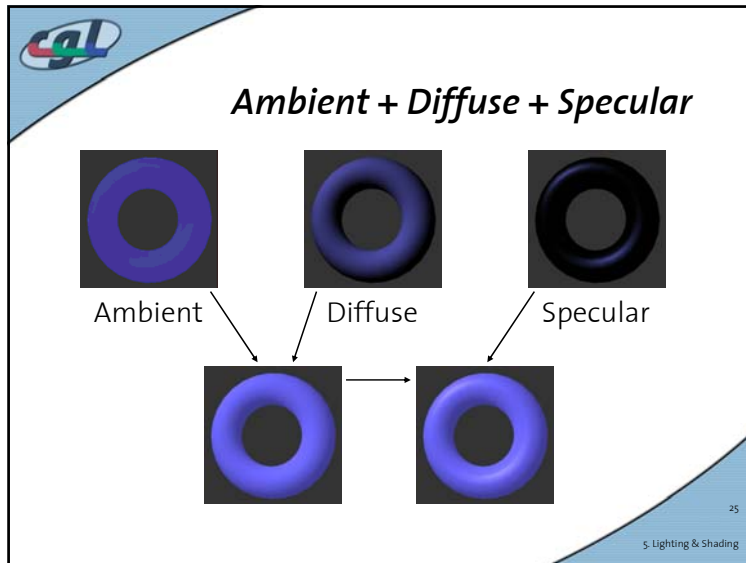
Phong Illumination Model

- Approximates specular reflection by cosine powers

$$I_\lambda = I_a + k_a O_{d_\lambda} + f_{att} I_{p_\lambda} [k_d O_{d_\lambda} (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L}) + k_s (\mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{V})^n]$$



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Extensions

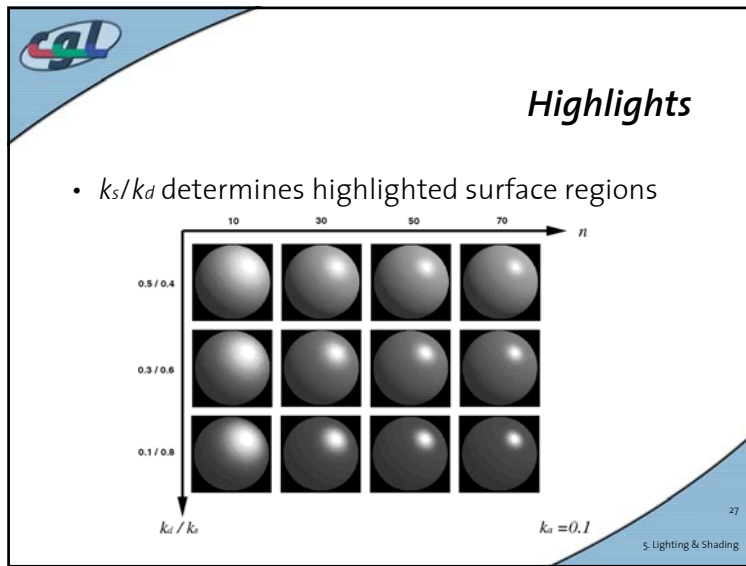
- Specular colors

$$I_\lambda = I_{a_\lambda} k_a O_{d_\lambda} + f_{att} I_{p_\lambda} [k_d O_{d_\lambda} (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L}) + k_s O_{s_\lambda} (\mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{V})^n]$$
- Halfway-Vector (faster)

$$\cos^n \beta = (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{H})^n \quad \mathbf{H} = \frac{\mathbf{L} + \mathbf{V}}{|\mathbf{L} + \mathbf{V}|}$$
- Multiple Light Sources

$$I_\lambda = I_{a_\lambda} k_a O_{d_\lambda} + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq m} f_{att_i} I_{p_{\lambda i}} [k_d O_{d_\lambda} (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L}_i) + k_s O_{s_\lambda} (\mathbf{R}_i \cdot \mathbf{V})^n]$$

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OpenGL

- Light source:


```

GLfloat light_pos[] = {x,y,z, 1};
GLfloat light_Ia[] = {IaR, IaG, IaB, IaA};
GLfloat light_Id[] = {IdR, IdG, IdB, IdA};
GLfloat light_Is[] = {IsR, IsG, IsB, IsA};
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, light_pos);
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_AMBIENT, light_Ia);
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_DIFFUSE, light_Id);
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_SPECULAR, light_Is);
      
```
- Reflection (material):


```

GLfloat material_Ka[] = {kaR, kaG, kaB, kaA};
GLfloat material_Kd[] = {kdR, kdG, kdB, kdA};
GLfloat material_Ks[] = {ksR, ksG, ksB, ksA};
glMaterialfv(GL_FRONT, GL_AMBIENT, material_Ka);
glMaterialfv(GL_FRONT, GL_DIFFUSE, material_Kd);
glMaterialfv(GL_FRONT, GL_SPECULAR, material_Ks);
glMaterialfv(GL_FRONT, GL_SHININESS, Se);
      
```

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Light Position

- Position in world-coordinates
- Light stationary

```
gluLookAt(eyeX, eyeY, eyeZ,
          centerX, centerY, centerZ,
          upX, upY, upZ);
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, pos);
```

- Position in camera-coordinates
- Light moving with camera (headlight)

```
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, pos);
gluLookAt(eyeX, eyeY, eyeZ,
          centerX, centerY, centerZ,
          upX, upY, upZ);
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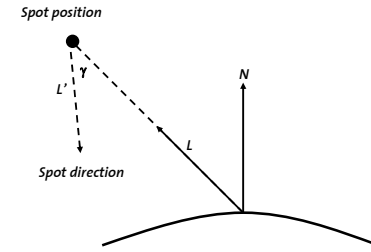
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Light Sources

- Directed Spotlights



$$I_{L_\lambda} \cos^p \lambda$$

$$I_{L_\lambda} (-L \cdot L')^p$$

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glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_SPOT_DIRECTION, L');
glLightf(GL_LIGHT0, GL_SPOT_EXPONENT, p);
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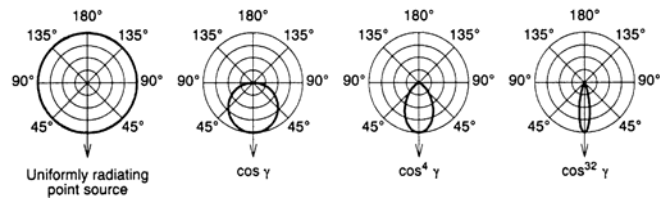
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Intensity Diagrams

- Implemented in most modern graphics APIs



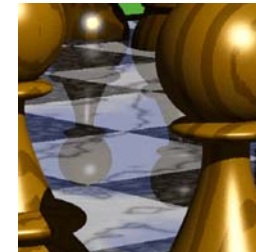
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Shading

- Shading requires many evaluations of a lighting model
- Questions:
 - where to evaluate ?
 - when to evaluate ?



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Shading Models

- **Flat shading** (constant shading)
 - one color per primitive
- **Gouraud shading**
 - linear interpolation of vertex intensities
- **Phong shading**
 - linear interpolation of vertex normals
- Gouraud & Phong shading need vertex normals

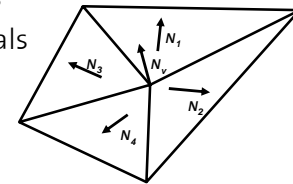
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Gouraud Shading – Procedure

1. Calculate face normals
2. Calculate vertex normals

$$N_v = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n N_i}{\left| \sum_{i=1}^n N_i \right|}$$



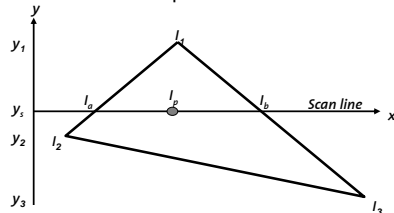
3. Evaluate lighting model for each vertex
4. Interpolate vertex intensities across primitive (bilinear interpolation)

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Gouraud Shading – Interpolation

- Linear interpolation on current scan line



$$I_a = I_1 - (I_1 - I_2) \frac{(y_1 - y_2)}{(y_1 - y_3)}$$

$$I_b = I_1 - (I_1 - I_3) \frac{(y_1 - y_2)}{(y_1 - y_3)}$$

$$I_p = I_b - (I_b - I_a) \frac{(x_p - x_a)}{(x_b - x_a)}$$

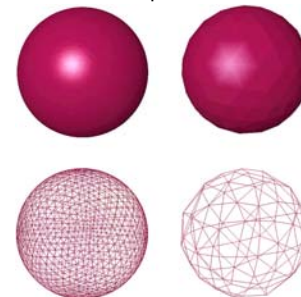
- Done during scan conversion
- Hardware acceleration possible

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Gouraud Shading – Quality

- Shading quality depends on size of projected primitives (relative to pixel size)

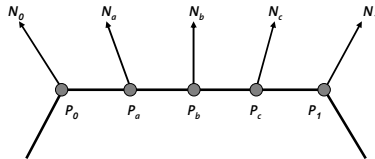


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Phong Shading

- Linear interpolation of normals (not intensities) on current scan line



- Evaluation of lighting model at each pixel
- More accurate but slower than Gouraud

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Shading Methods – Overview

- Shading in image space:
 - **Flat shading** (Constant shading)
 - **Gouraud shading**
- Shading in object / screen space:
 - **Phong shading**
- Impact on graphics hardware...

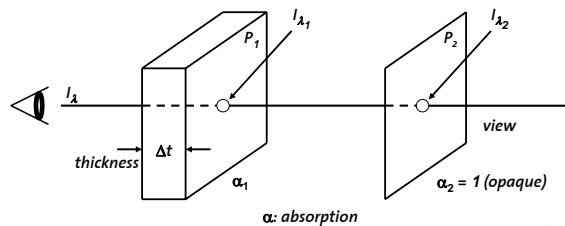
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Transparency

- Transparency done with α -blending...
- Linearizing exponential attenuation of intensity in media



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Transparency – Basic Laws

- P1 filters intensity according to $I'_{\lambda_2} = I_{\lambda_2} e^{-\alpha_1 \Delta t}$
- Linearization yields $I'_{\lambda_2} = I_{\lambda_2} (1 - \alpha_1 \Delta t)$
- Emission of P_1 $I'_{\lambda_1} = I_{\lambda_1} \alpha_1 \Delta t$
- Summing up (for unit length)

$$I_{\lambda} = I'_{\lambda_1} + I'_{\lambda_2} = I_{\lambda_1} \alpha_1 + I_{\lambda_2} (1 - \alpha_1)$$
- For N polygons (**α -blending**)

$$I_{\lambda} = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i I_{\lambda_i} \cdot \prod_{b=1}^{i-1} (1 - \alpha_b)$$

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