

(a) Store both colour & depth at each pixel.

Initialise all ~~columns~~ to pixels to the background colour & maximum depth.

Process each polygon in turn.

Using the standard 2D polygon scan conversion algorithm we process each pixel as follows:

calculate a depth value (remember to interpolate $\frac{1}{z}$ & not z)

if it is ^{closer} ~~greater~~ than the current depth value for that pixel then store the depth & colour otherwise do nothing.

That's it.

(b) $\sum_i I_i k_d (L_i \cdot N)$ is trying to model diffuse (Lambertian) reflection & is accurate for perfect Lambertian reflectors
 $\sum_i I_i k_s (R_i \cdot V)^n$ is trying to model specular reflection, it is an ~~exact~~ approximation but performs reasonably well.
 $I_a k_a$ is trying to model all of the interreflections between objects & is a gross approximation.

I is the calculated illumination at the point in question

I_a is the "ambient illumination" - a fiddle factor

i loops over all lights in the scene

I_i is the intensity of light i AT THE POINT IN QUESTION

k_a is the ambient reflection co-efficient of the object

k_d " " diffuse " " " "

k_s " " specular " " " "

L_i is a unit vector pointing at light i from the point in question

N is a unit normal vector from the object at " " " "

R_i is a unit vector pointing in the direction that light from light i would be reflected at the point in question

V is a unit vector pointing from the ~~viewer~~ " " " " to the camera

n is Phong's "specular co-efficient" which determines the spread of the specular reflection