SHAPE FROM X

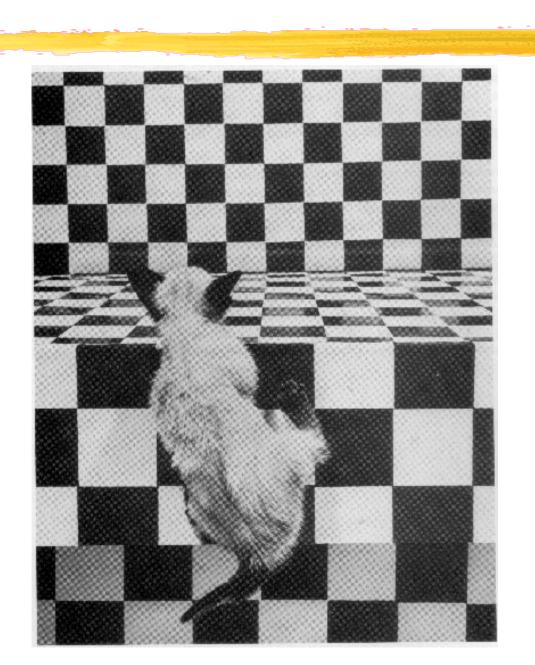
One image:

- Shading
- Texture

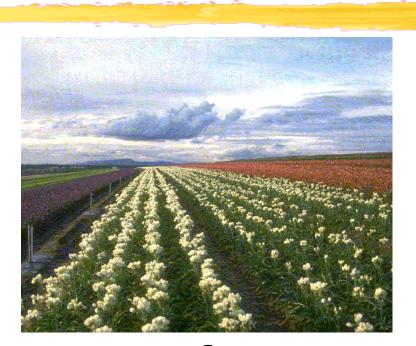
Two images or more:

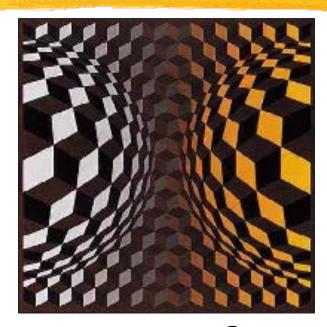
- Stereo
- Contours
- Motion

SHAPE FROM TEXTURE



SHAPE FROM TEXTURE

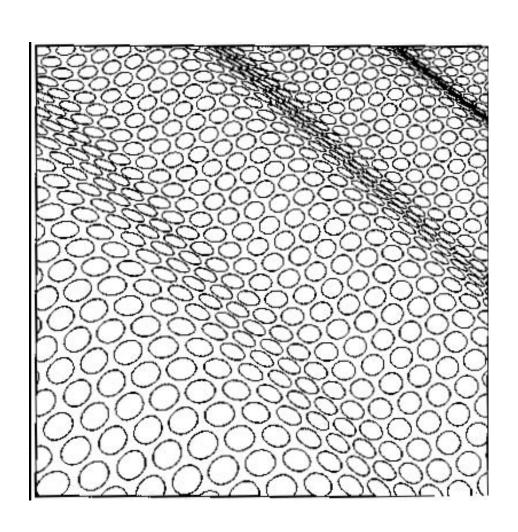




Recover surface orientation or surface shape from image texture.

- Assume texture 'looks the same' at different points on the surface
- This means that the deformation of the texture is due to the surface curvature

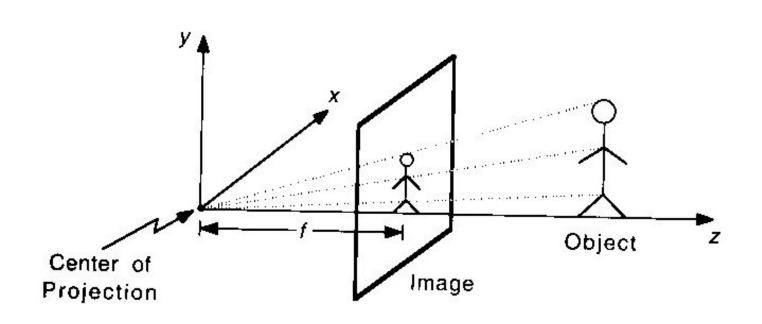
STRUCTURAL SHAPE RECOVERY



Basic hypothesis: Texture resides on the surface and has no thickness.

- --> Computation under:
 - Perspective projection
 - Paraperspective projection
 - Orthographic projection

PERSPECTIVE PROJECTION

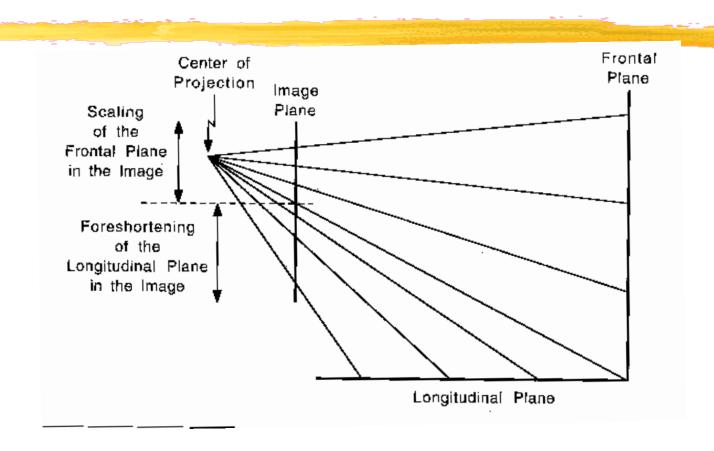


$$u = f \frac{x}{z}$$

$$v = f \frac{y}{z}$$

Pinhole geometry without image reversal

PERSPECTIVE DISTORTION



Perspective projection distortion of the texture

- depends on both depth and surface orientation,
- is anisotropic.

FORESHORTENING

Depth vs Orientation:

Infinitesimal vector $[\Delta x, \Delta y, \Delta z]$ at location

[x,y,z]. The image of this vector is

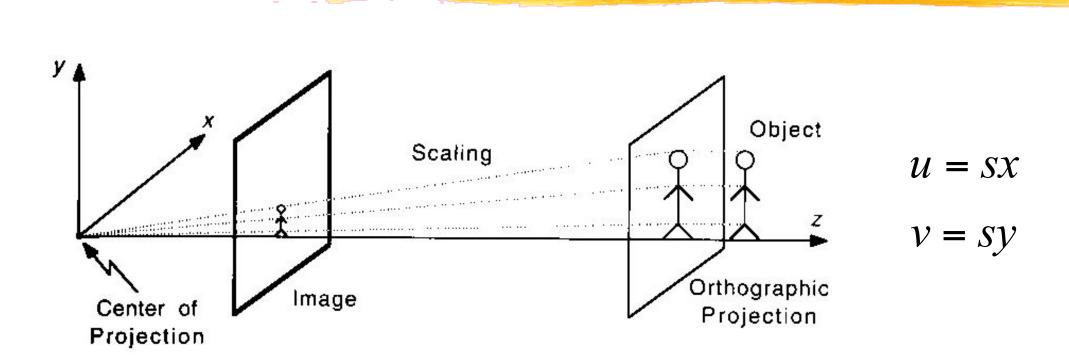
$$\frac{f}{z} \left[\Delta x - \frac{x}{z} \Delta z, \Delta y - \frac{y}{z} \Delta z \right]$$

Two special cases:

 $\Delta z = 0$: The object is scaled

 $\Delta x = \Delta y = 0$: The object is foreshortened

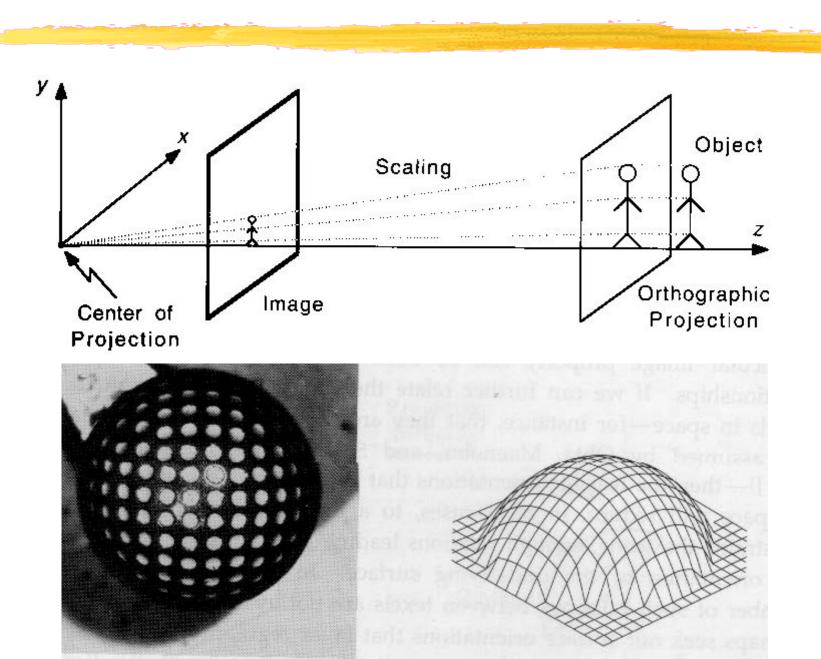
ORTHOGRAPHIC PROJECTION



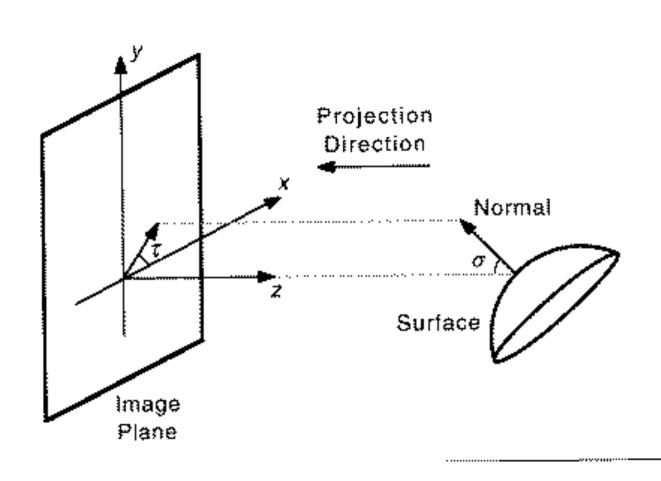
Special case of perspective projection:

- Large f
- Objects close to the optical axis
- → Parallel lines mapped into parallel lines.

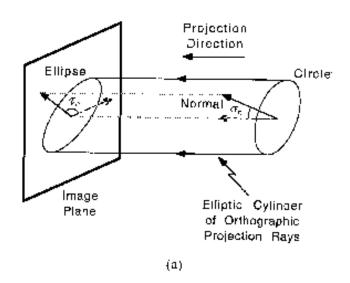
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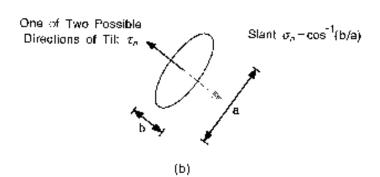


TILT AND SLANT



ORTHOGRAPHIC PROJECTION

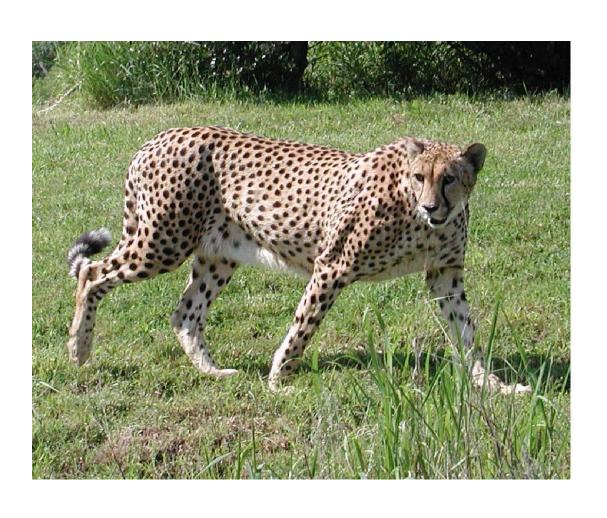


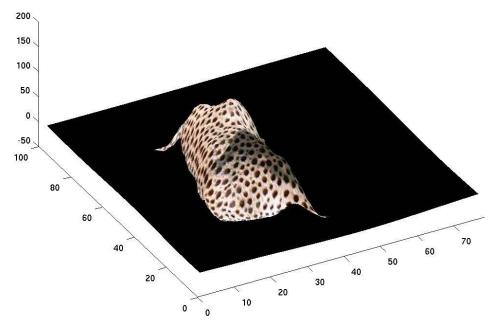


Tilt: Derived from the image direction in which the surface element undergoes maximum compression.

Slant: Derived from the extent of this compression.

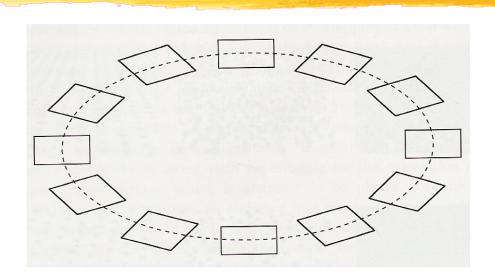
CHEETAH





A.M. Low, Phd Thesis, 2006

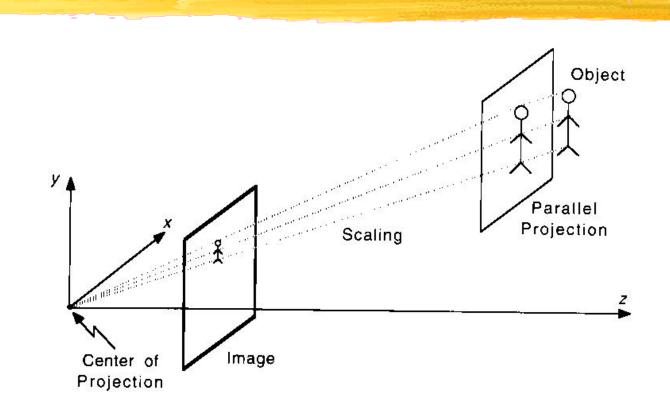
PERPENDICULAR LINES



Orthographic projections of squares that are rotated with respect to each other in a plane inclined at ω =60° to the image plane.

$$\frac{\|(\mathbf{p}_1/l_1) \times (\mathbf{p}_2/l_2)\|}{\|\mathbf{p}_1/l_1\|^2 + \|\mathbf{p}_2/l_2\|^2} = \frac{\cos(\mathbf{W})}{1 + \cos^2(\mathbf{W})}$$

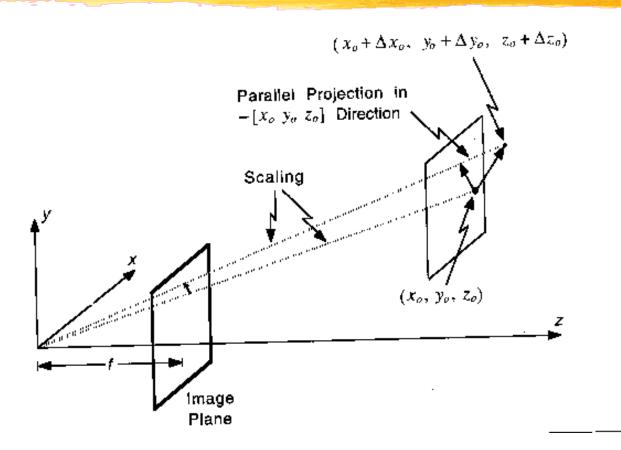
PARAPESPECTIVE PROJECTION



Generalization of the orthographic projection:

- Object dimensions small wrt distance to the center of projection.
- → Parallel projection followed by scaling

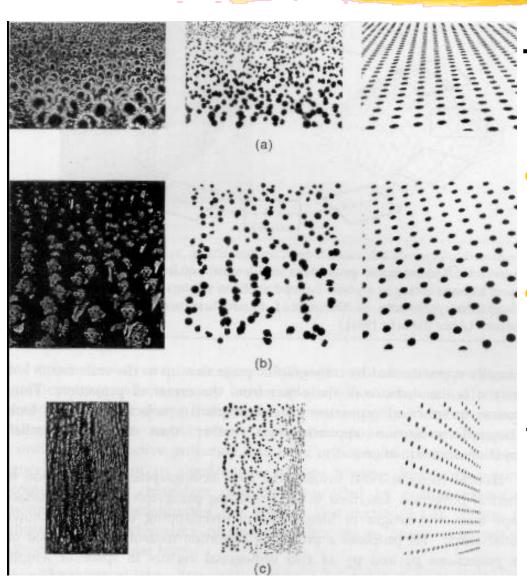
PARAPERSPECTIVE PROJECTION



For planar texels:

$$A' = -\frac{f^2}{z_0^3} \mathbf{n} \cdot [x_0 y_0 z_0] A$$

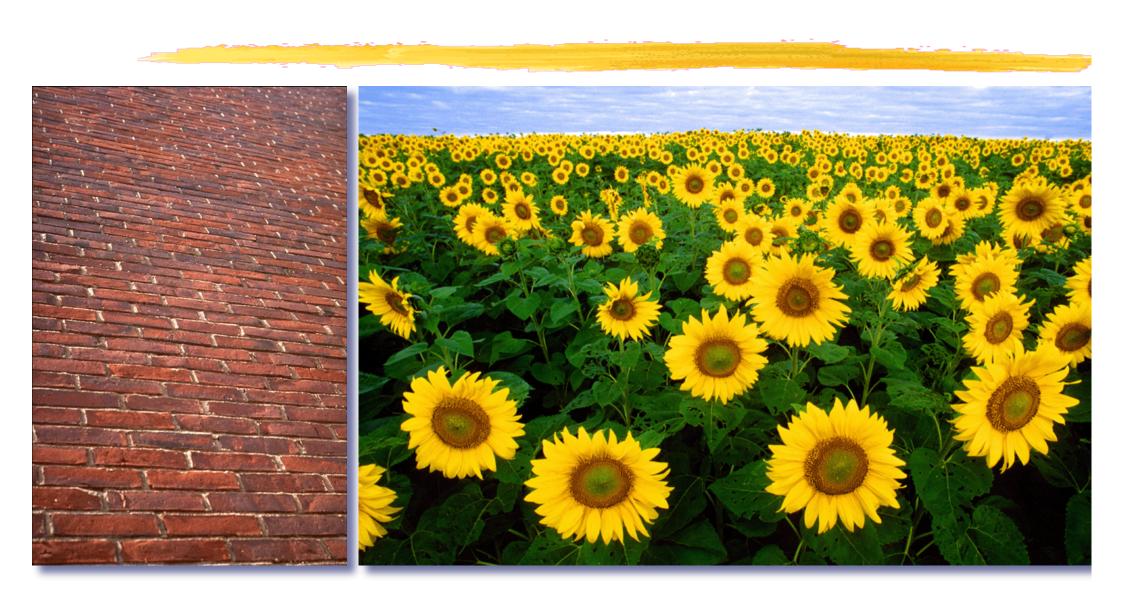
PARAPERSPECTIVE PROJECTION



Texels:

- Image regions that are brighter or darker than their surroundings.
- Assumed to have the same area in space.
- → Given enough texels, it becomes possible to estimate the normal.

TEXTURE GRADIENT



STATISTICAL SHAPE RECOVERY

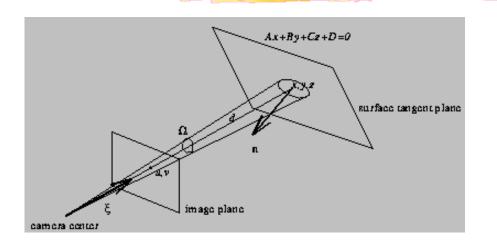


Measure "texture density" as opposed to texel area: number of textural primitives per unit surface

Basic Hypotheses:

- Textural isotropy
- Textural homogeneity

TEXTURE DENSITY



$$\gamma = k \frac{A_s}{A_i}$$

$$= k \frac{-fD^2}{(Au + Bv + Cf)^3}$$

$$[u,v,f]\mathbf{n} = \lambda \beta$$
where $\lambda = (kfD)^2$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{\gamma}}$$

TEXTURE DENSITY

For several texture elements:

$$\psi \mathbf{n} = \lambda \mathbf{b}$$

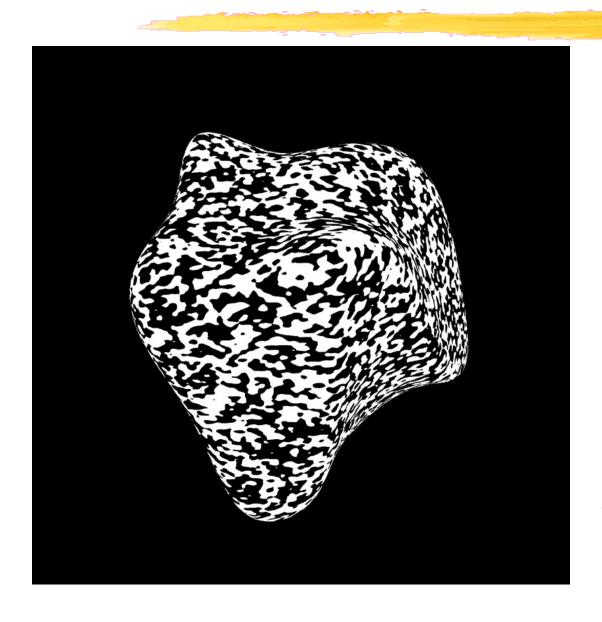
$$\psi = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & v_1 & f \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ u_n & v_n & f \end{bmatrix}$$

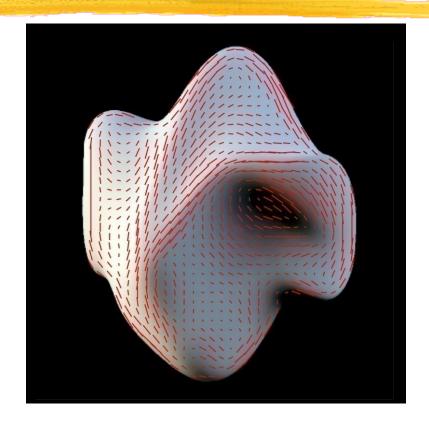
$$b = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \dots \\ \beta_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore:

$$\mathbf{n} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\psi}^t \mathbf{b}}{\left\| \boldsymbol{\psi}^t \mathbf{b} \right\|}$$

ILLUSORY SHAPE DISTORSION





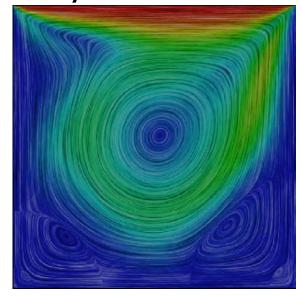
People seem to be sensitive to orientation fields in the cases of both texture and shading.

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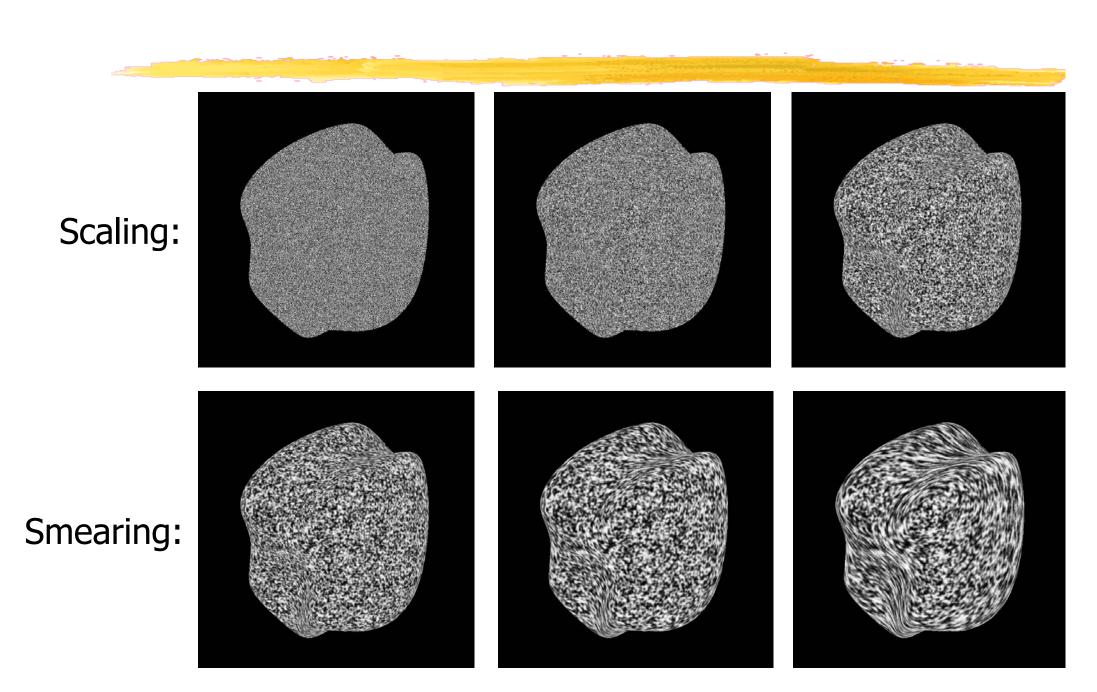
SHAPE FROM SMEAR

Hypothesis: If orientation and scale fields are the key source of information for 3D shape perception, it should be possible to induce a vivid sense of 3D shape by creating 2D patterns with appropriate scale and orientation fields.

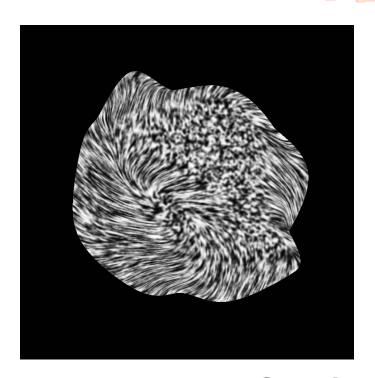
Test: Use a technique known as Line Integral Convolution to smear the texture along specific orientations and scale appropriately.

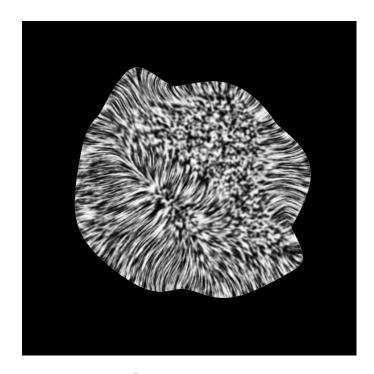


SCALING AND SMEARING



INCONSISTENT STIMULUS





The orientation field cannot be integrated

- No depth perception.
- Do we integrate in our heads?
- Can we design an algorithm that does this?

STRENGTHS AND LIMITATIONS

Strengths:

Emulates an important human ability.

Limitations:

- Requires regular texture.
- Involves very strong assumptions.