Texture Mapping & Shaders



MIT EECS 6.837 Computer Graphics

BRDF in Matrix II & III



Spatial Variation

- All materials seen so far are the same everywhere
 - In other words, we are assuming the BRDF is independent of the surface point x
 - No real reason to make that assumption







Spatial Variation

- We will allow BRDF parameters to vary over space
 - This will give us much more complex surface appearance
 - e.g. diffuse color $k_{\rm d}$ vary with x
 - Other parameters/info can vary too: k_s , exponent, normal



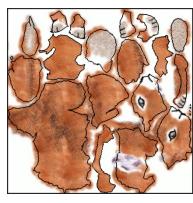




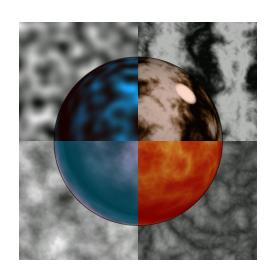
Two Approaches

- From data: texture mapping
 - read color and other information from 2D images

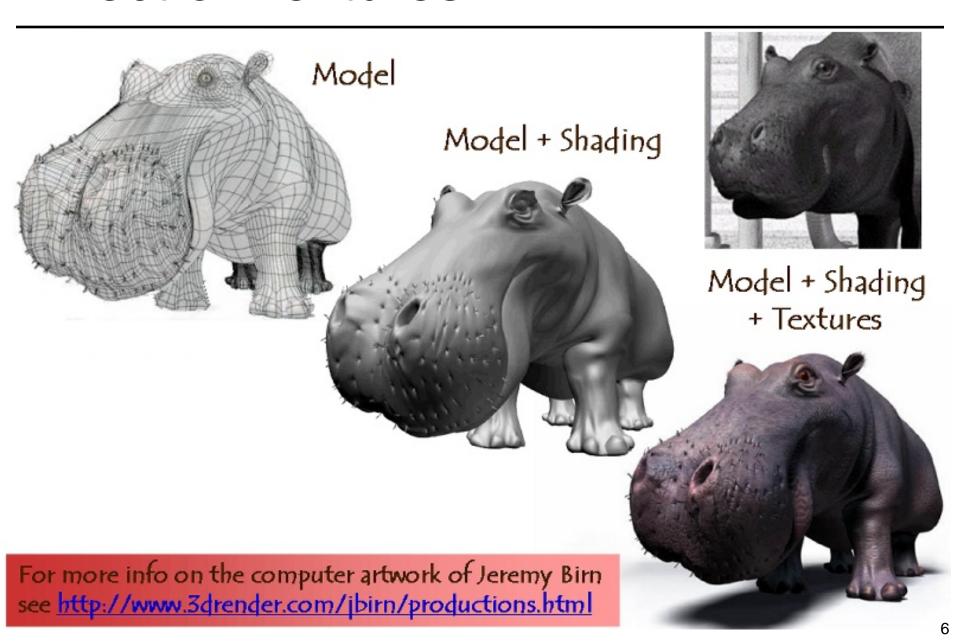




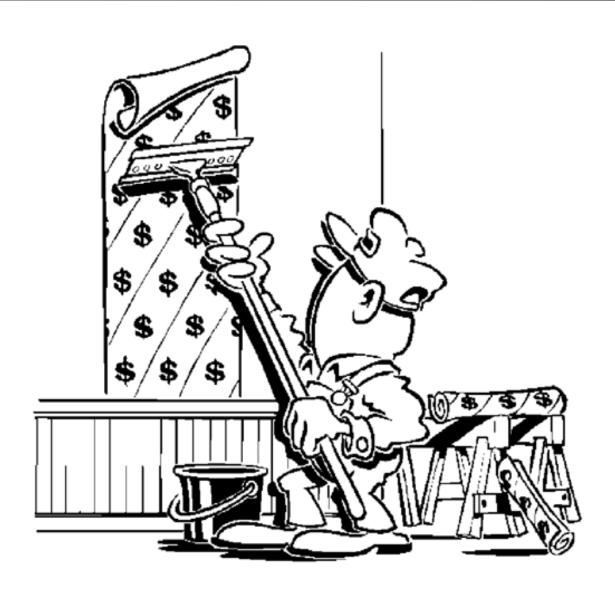
- Procedural: shader
 - write little programs that compute color/info as a function of location



Effect of Textures



Texture Mapping

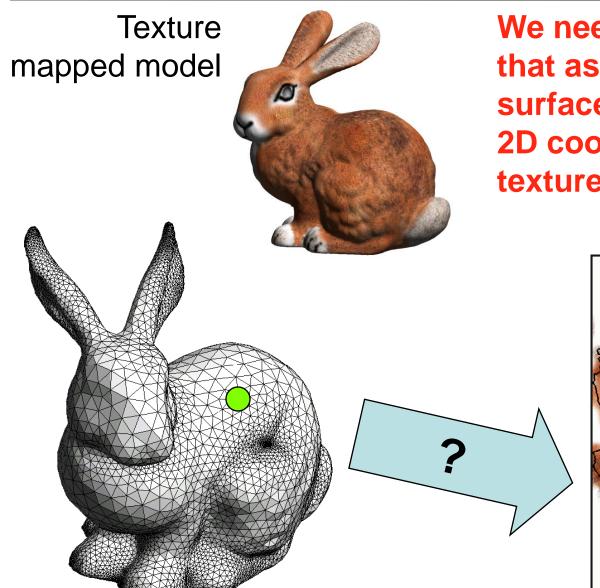


Texture Mapping

Texture mapped model 3D model

Image: Praun et al.

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We need a function that associates each surface point with a 2D coordinate in the texture map

Texture map (2D image)

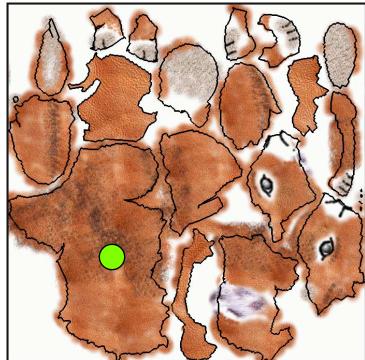
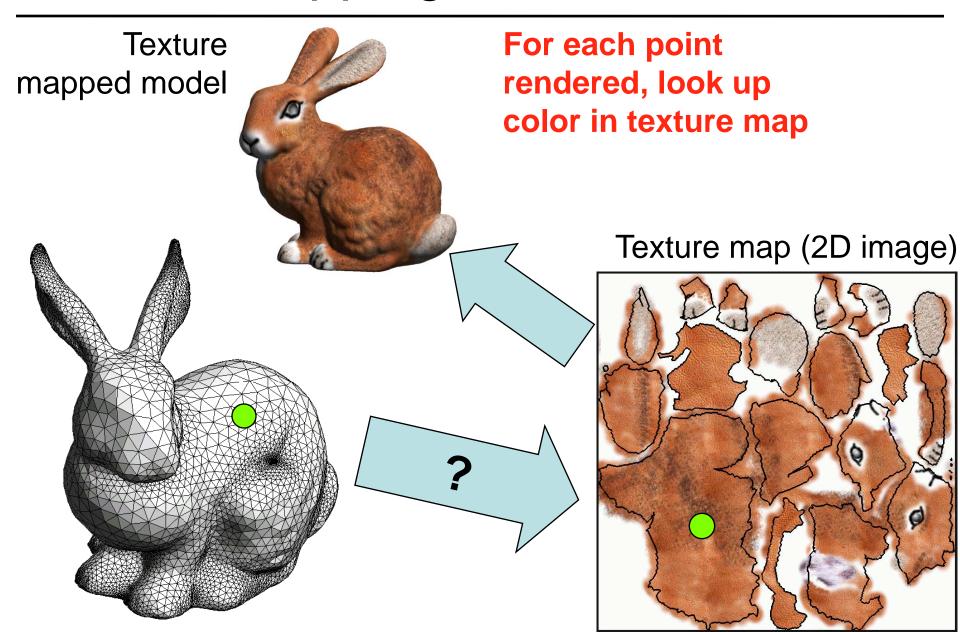
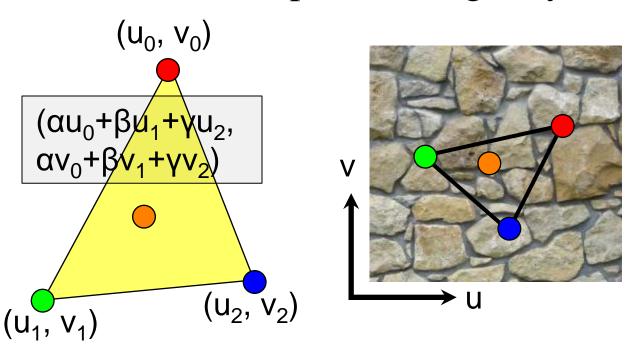


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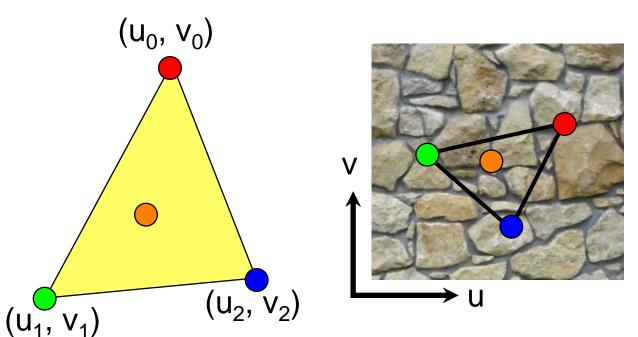
UV Coordinates

- Each vertex P stores 2D (u, v) "texture coordinates"
 - UVs determine the 2D location in the texture for the vertex
 - We will see how to specify them later
- Then we interpolate using barycentrics



UV Coordinates

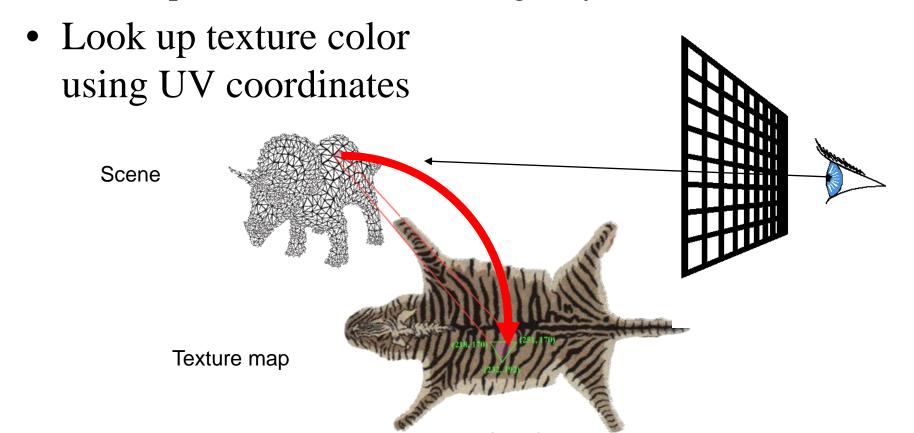
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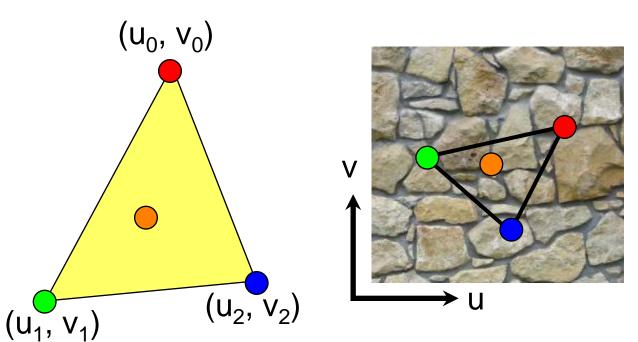
Pseudocode – Ray Casting

- Ray cast pixel (x, y), get visible point and α , β , γ
- Get texture coordinates (u, v) at that point
 - Interpolate from vertices using barycentrics



UV Coordinates?

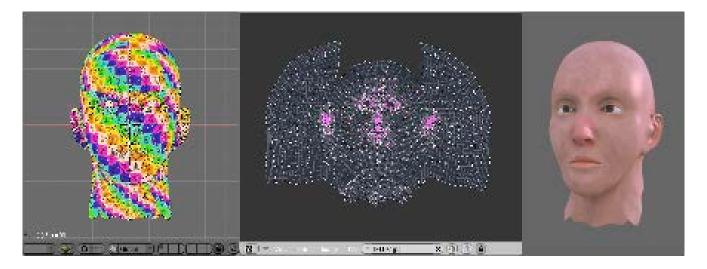
- Per-vertex (u, v) "texture coordinates" are specified:
 - Manually, provided by user (tedious!)
 - Automatically using parameterization optimization
 - Mathematical mapping (independent of vertices)





Texture UV Optimization

- Goal: "flatten" 3D object onto 2D UV coordinates
- For each vertex, find coordinates U,V such that distortion is minimized
 - distances in UV correspond to distances on mesh
 - angle of 3D triangle same as angle of triangle in UV plane
- Cuts are usually required (discontinuities)

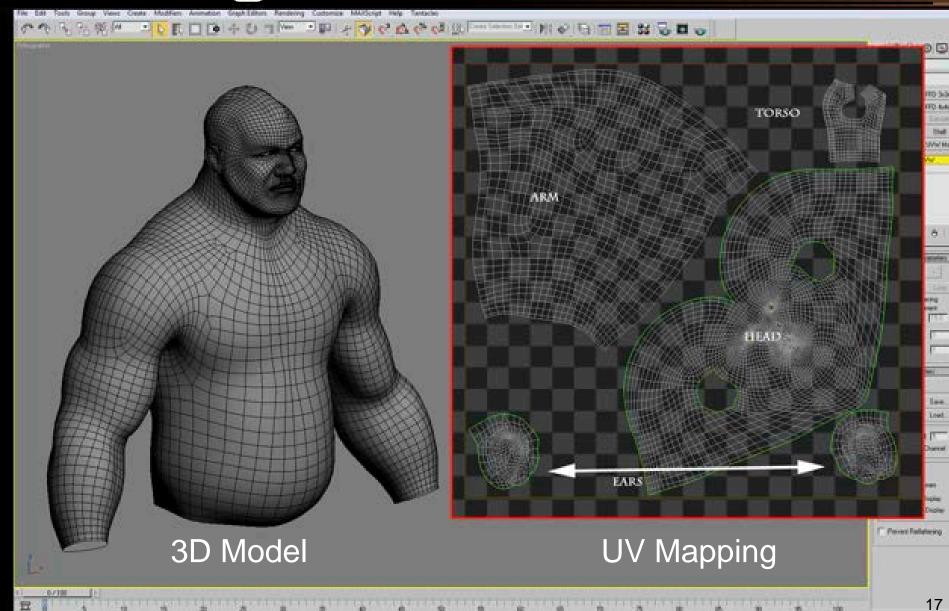


To Learn More

- For this course, assume UV given per vertex
- Mesh Parameterization: Theory and Practice"
 - Kai Hormann, Bruno Lévy and Alla Sheffer ACM SIGGRAPH Course Notes, 2007
- http://alice.loria.fr/index.php/publications.html?redirect=0&Paper=SigCourseParam@2007&Author=Levy

Slide from Epic Games

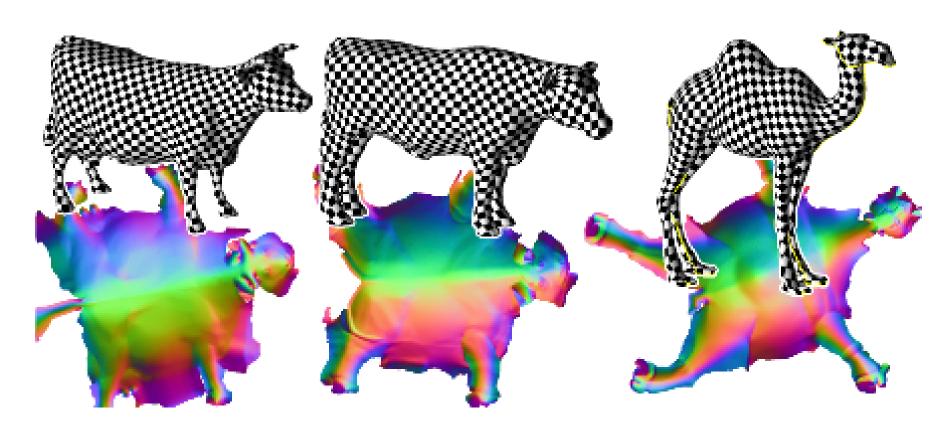
Creating Torso Portion in Max



3D Model

- Information we need:
- Per vertex
 - 3D coordinates
 - Normal
 - 2D UV coordinates
- Other information
 - BRDF (often same for the whole object, but could vary)
 - 2D Image for the texture map

Questions?



Some results computed by stretch L_2 minimization (parameterized models courtesy of Pedro Sander and Alla Sheffer).

Mathematical Mapping

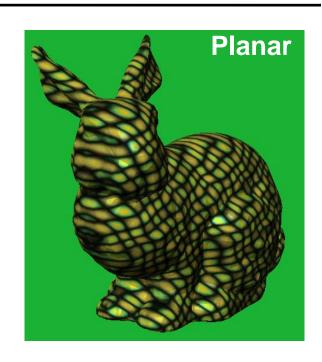
- What of non-triangular geometry?
 - Spheres, etc.
- No vertices, cannot specify UVs that way!
- Solution: Parametric Texturing
 - Deduce (u, v) from (x, y, z)
 - Various mappings are possible....

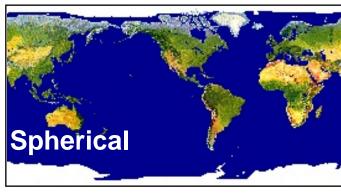
Common Texture Coordinate Mappings

- Planar
 - Vertex UVs and linear interpolation is a special case!
- Cylindrical
- Spherical
- Perspective Projection



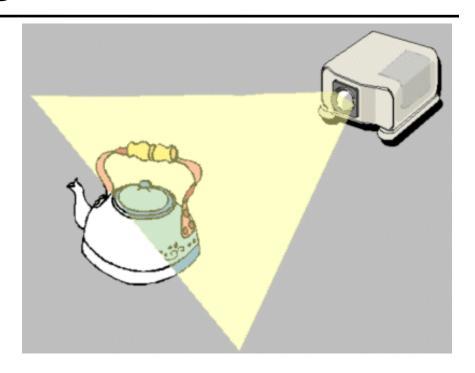






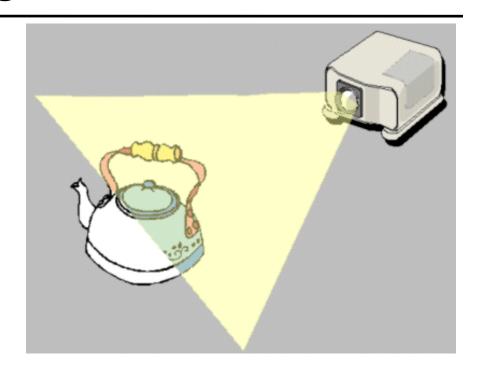
Projective Mappings

- A slide projector
 - Analogous to a camera!
 - Usually perspective projection tells us where points project to in our image plane
 - This time we will use these coordinates as UVs
- No need to specify texture coordinates explicitly



Projective Mappings

- We are given the camera matrix H of the slide projector
- For a given 3D point P
- Project onto 2D space of slide projector: HP
 - results in 2D texture coordinates



Projective Texture Example

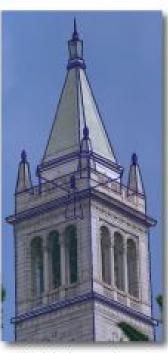
- Modeling from photographs
- Using input photos as textures



Original photograph with marked edges



Recovered model



Model edges projected onto photograph



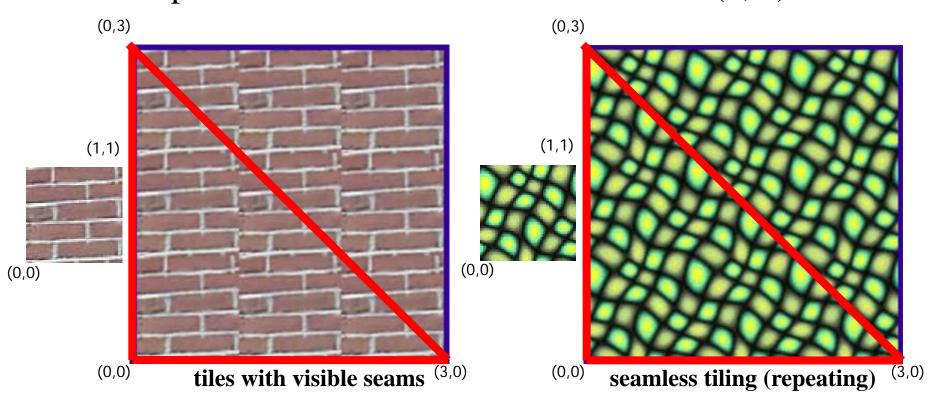
Synthetic rendering

Figure from Debevec, Taylor & Malik http://www.debevec.org/Research

Questions?

Texture Tiling

- Specify texture coordinates (u,v) at each vertex
- Canonical texture coordinates $(0,0) \rightarrow (1,1)$
 - Wrap around when coordinates are outside (0, 1)



Questions?

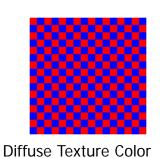
Texture Mapping & Illumination

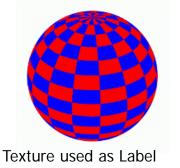
- Texture mapping can be used to alter some or all of the constants in the illumination equation
 - Diffuse color k_d , specular exponent q, specular color k_s ...
 - Any parameter in any BRDF model!

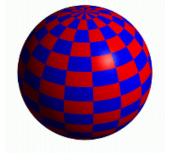
$$L_o = \left[k_a + k_d \left(\boldsymbol{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{l} \right) + k_s \left(\boldsymbol{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{r} \right)^q \right] \frac{L_i}{r^2}$$

 $-k_d$ in particular is often read from a texture map



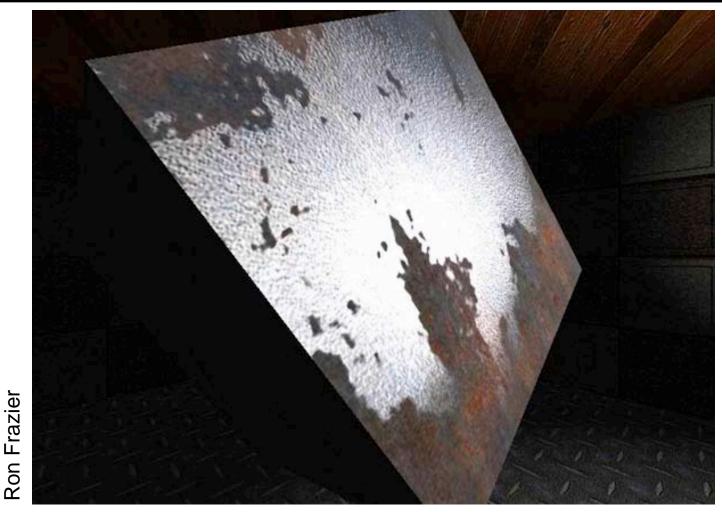






Texture used as Diffuse Color

Gloss Mapping Example



Spatially varying k_d and k_s

Questions?

We Can Go Even Further...

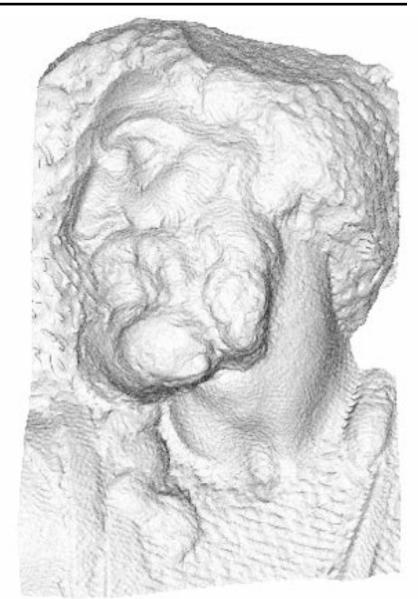
- The normal vector is really important in conveying the small-scale surface detail
 - Remember cosine dependence
 - The human eye is really good at picking up shape cues from lighting!
- We can exploit this and look up also the normal vector from a texture map
 - This is called "normal mapping" or "bump mapping"
 - A coarse mesh combined with detailed normal maps can convey the shape very well!

Normal Mapping

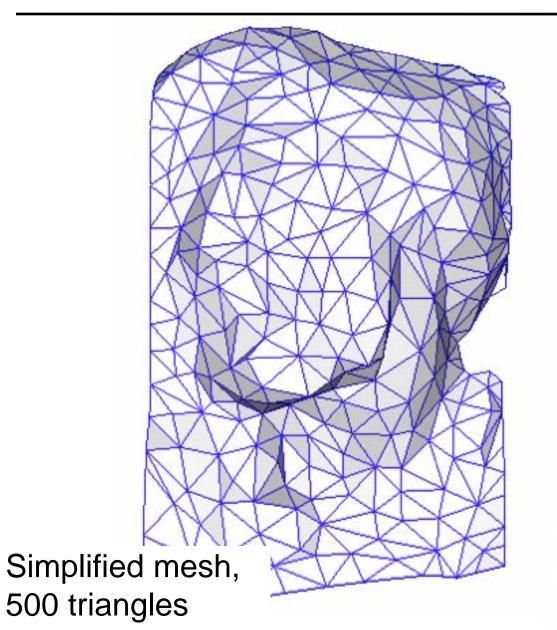
• For each shaded point, normal is given by a 2D image normalMap that stores the 3D normal

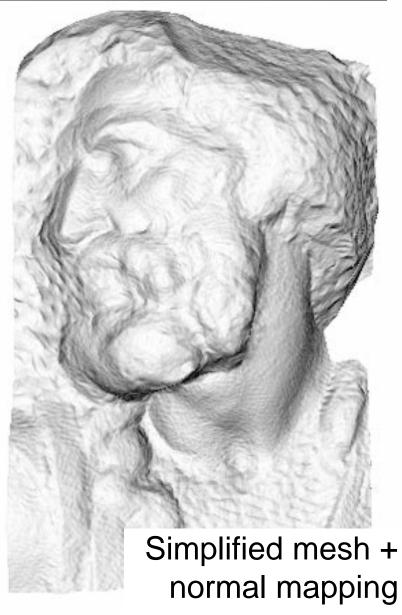
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For a visible point
interpolate UV using barycentric
// same as texture mapping
Normal = normalMap[U,V]
compute shading (BRDF) using this normal
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$$L_o = \left[k_a + k_d \left(\boldsymbol{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{l} \right) + k_s \left(\boldsymbol{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{r} \right)^q \right] \frac{L_i}{r^2}$$



Original Mesh 4M triangles



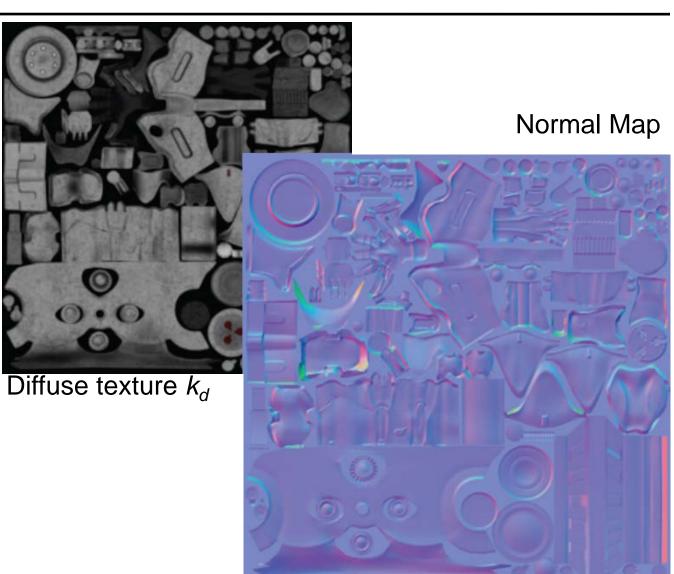


Normal Map Example

Models and images: Trevor Taylor



Final render



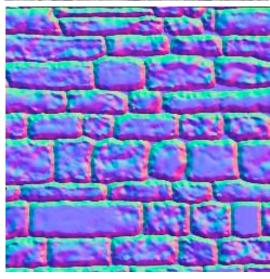
Generating Normal Maps

- Model a detailed mesh
- Generate a UV parameterization for the mesh
 - A UV mapping such that each 3D point has unique image coordinates in the 2D texture map
 - This is a difficult problem, but tools are available
 - E.g., the <u>DirectX SDK</u> has functionality to do this
- Simplify the mesh (again, see DirectX SDK)
- Overlay simplified and original model
- For each point **P** on the simplified mesh, find closest point **P**' on original model (ray casting)
- Store the normal at **P**' in the normal map. **Done!**

Normal Map Details

- You can store an object-space normal
 - Convenient if you have a unique parameterization
-but if you want to use a tiling normal map, this will not work
 - Must account for the curvature of the object!
 - Think of mapping this diffuse+normal map combination on a cylindrical tower
- Solution: Tangent space normal map
 - Encode a "difference" from the geometric normal in a local coord. system







Shaders (Material class)

- Functions executed when light interacts with a surface
- Constructor:
 - set shader parameters
- Inputs:
 - Incident radiance
 - Incident and reflected light directions
 - Surface tangent basis (anisotropic shaders only)
- Output:
 - Reflected radiance

Shader

- Initially for production (slow) rendering
 - Renderman in particular
- Now used for real-time (Games)
 - Evaluated by graphics hardware
 - More later in the course

• Often makes heavy use of texture mapping

Questions?

Procedural Textures

- Alternative to texture mapping
- Little program that computes color as a function of *x*, *y*, *z*:

 $f(x,y,z) \rightarrow color$

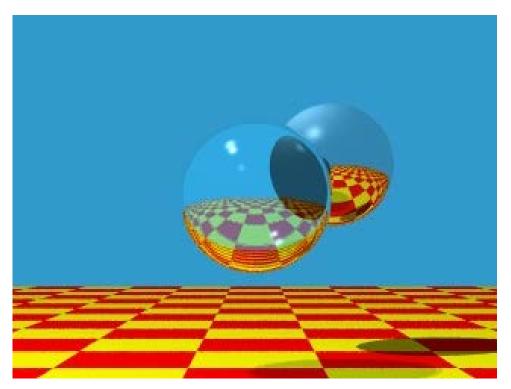


Image by Turner Whitted

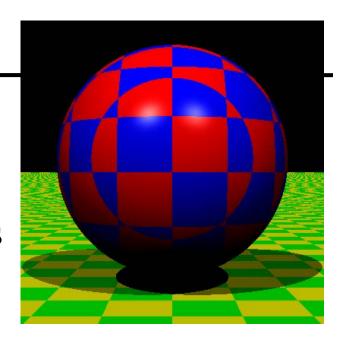
Procedural Textures

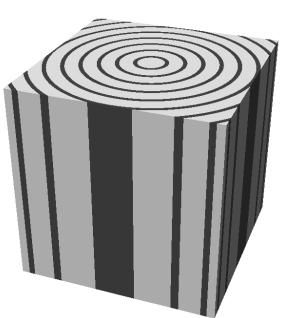
Advantages:

- easy to implement in ray tracer
- more compact than texture maps (especially for solid textures)
- infinite resolution



- non-intuitive
- difficult to match existing texture

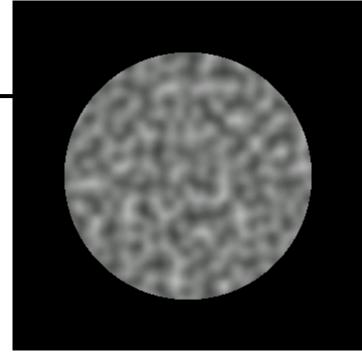




Questions?

Perlin Noise

- Critical component of procedural textures
- Pseudo-random function
 - But continuous
 - band pass (single scale)
- Useful to add lots of visual detail



Ken Perlin

http://www.noisemachine.com/talk1/index.html

http://mrl.nyu.edu/~perlin/doc/oscar.html

http://mrl.nyu.edu/~perlin/noise/

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Perlin_noise

http://freespace.virgin.net/hugo.elias/models/m_perlin.htm

(not really Perlin noise but very good)

http://portal.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=325247

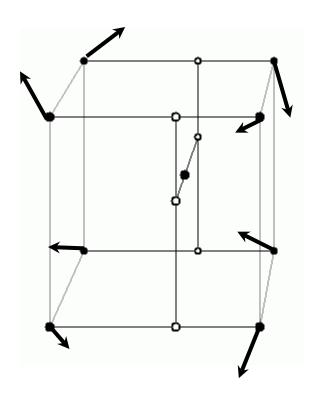
Requirements

- Pseudo random
- For arbitrary dimension
 - 4D is common for animation
- Smooth
- Band pass (single scale)
- Little memory usage

How would you do it?

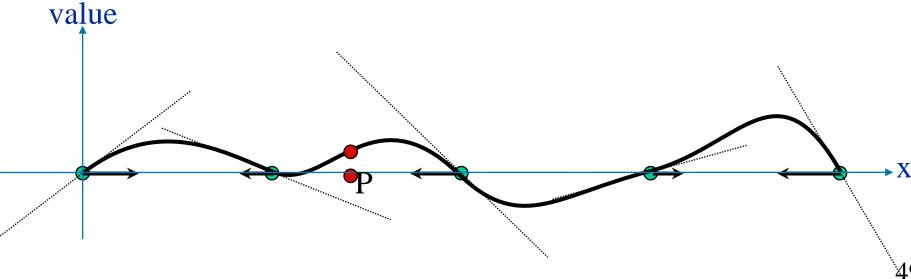
Perlin Noise

- Cubic lattice
- Zero at vertices
 - To avoid low frequencies
- Pseudo-random gradient at vertices
 - define local linear functions
- Splines to interpolate the values to arbitrary 3D points



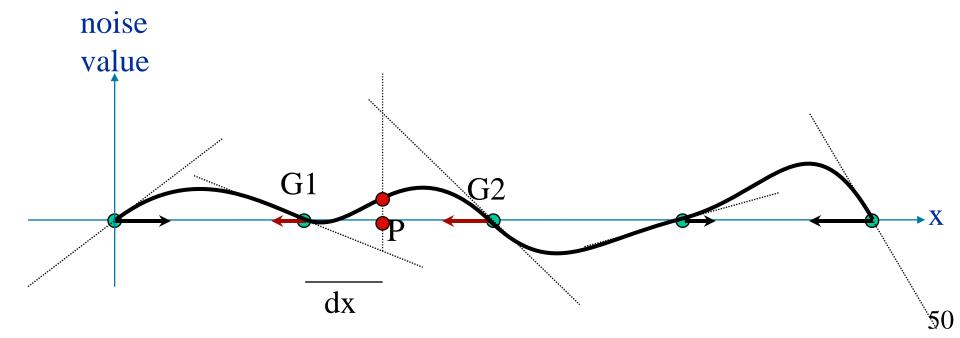
1D Noise

- 0 at integer locations
- Pseudo-random derivative (1D gradient) at integer locations
 - define local linear functions
- Interpolate at location *P* noise



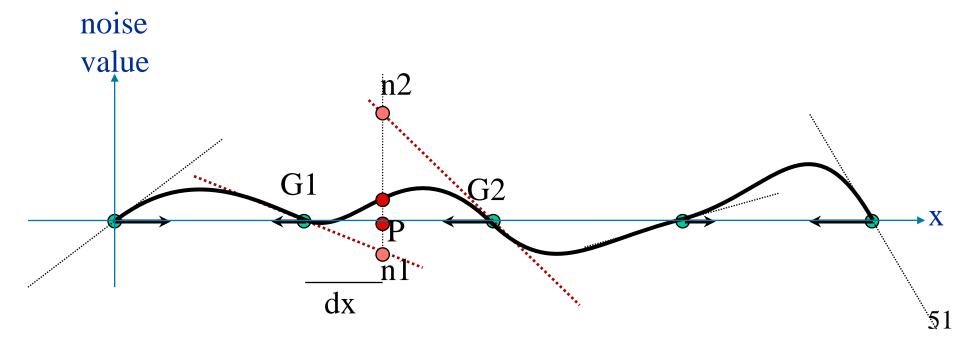
1D Noise: Reconstruct at P

- dx: fractional x coordinate
- Gradients G_1 and G_2 at neighboring vertices
 - Scalars in 1D. They are 3D vectors in 3D
- We know that noise is zero at vertices



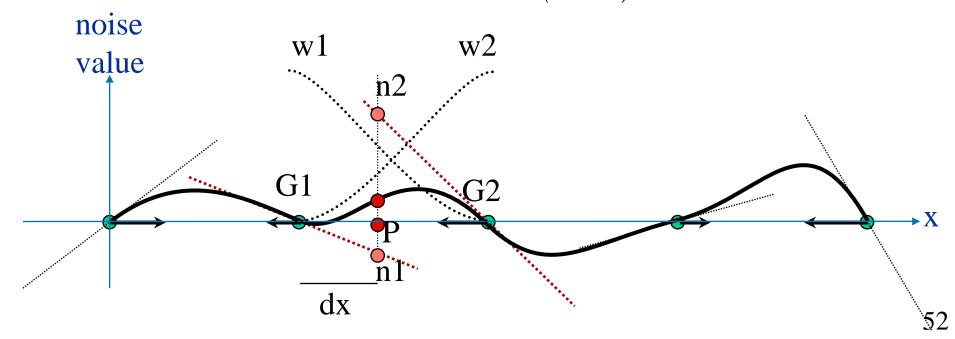
1D Noise: Reconstruct at P

• Compute the values from the two neighboring linear functions: n1 = dx*G1; n2=(dx-1)*G2 – dot product in 3D.



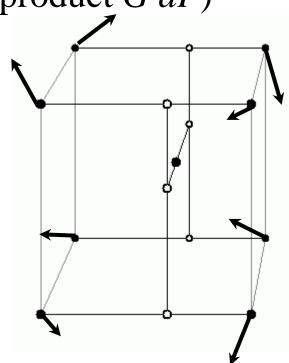
1D Noise: Reconstruct at P

- Compute the values from the two neighboring linear functions: n1 = dx*G1; n2=(dx-1)*G2 dot product in 3D
- Weight $w1=3dx^2-2dx^3$ and $w2=3(1-dx)^2-2(1-dx)^3$ - ie: noise=w1 G1 dx + w2 G2 (dx-1)



Algorithm in 3D

- Given an input point P
- For each of its neighboring grid points:
 - Get the "pseudo-random" gradient vector G
 - Compute linear function (dot product $G \cdot dP$)
- Take weighted sum, using separable cubic weights
 - [demo in 2D]



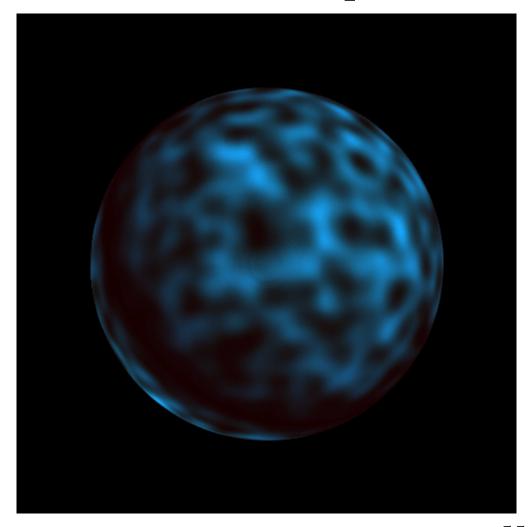
Computing Pseudo-random Gradients

- Precompute (1D) table of n gradients G[n]
- Precompute (1D) permutation P[n]
- For 3D grid point i, j, k: $G(i,j,k) = G[(i+P[(j+P[k]) \mod n)) \mod n]$

- In practice only *n* gradients are stored!
 - But optimized so that they are well distributed

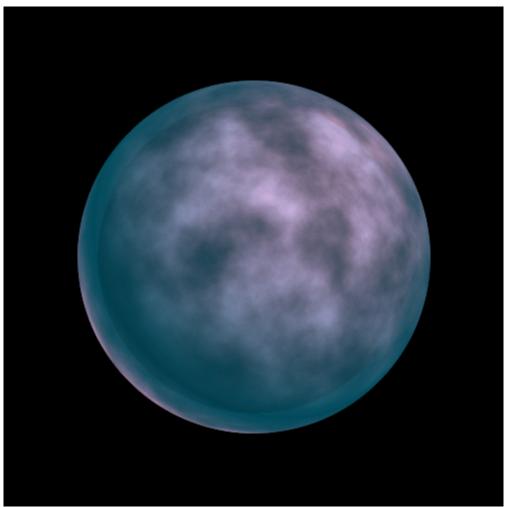
Noise At One Scale

• A scale is also called an octave in noise parlance



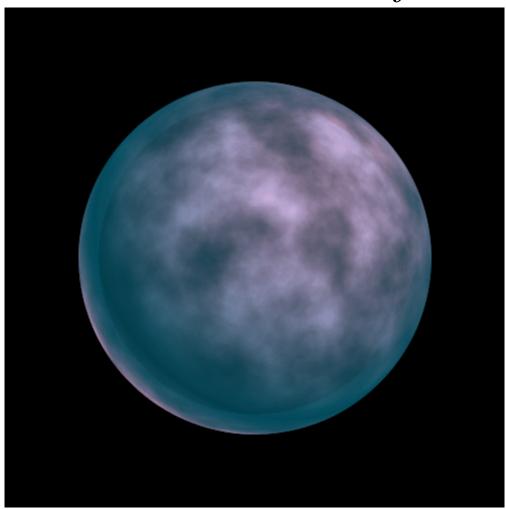
Noise At Multiple Scales

- A scale is also called an octave in noise parlance
- But multiple octaves are usually used, where the scale between two octaves is multiplied by 2
 - hence the name octave



Sum 1/f noise

• That is, each octave f has weight 1/f



sum 1/f |noise|

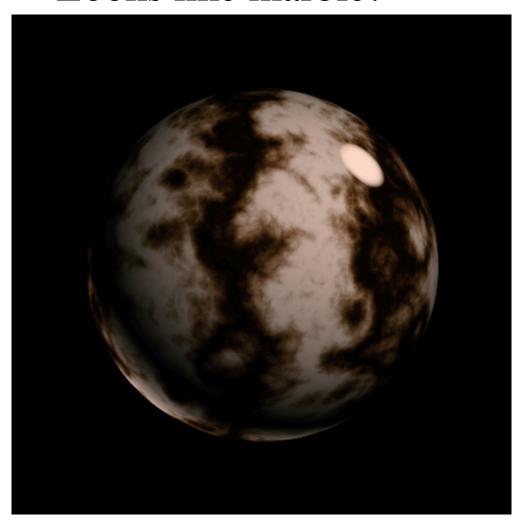
• Absolute value introduces C1 discontinuities



• a.k.a. turbulence

sin (x + sum 1/f |noise|)

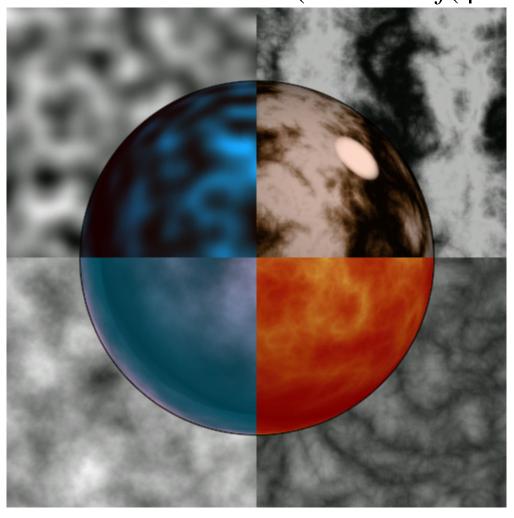
• Looks like marble!



Comparison

•noise

sin(x + sum 1/f(|noise|))



sum 1/f(noise)

sum 1/f(|noise|)

Questions?

Noise For Solid Textures

Marble

- $-\operatorname{recall} \sin (x[0] + \operatorname{sum} 1/f |noise|)$
- -BoringMarble = colormap (sin(x[0]))
- -Marble = colormap (sin(x[0]+turbulence))
- http://legakis.net/justin/MarbleApplet/

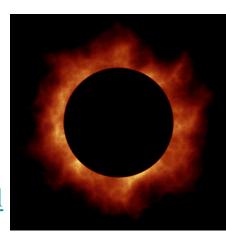
Wood

- replace x (or parallel plane) by radius
- -Wood = colormap (sin(r+turbulence))
- http://www.connectedpixel.com/blog/texture/wood



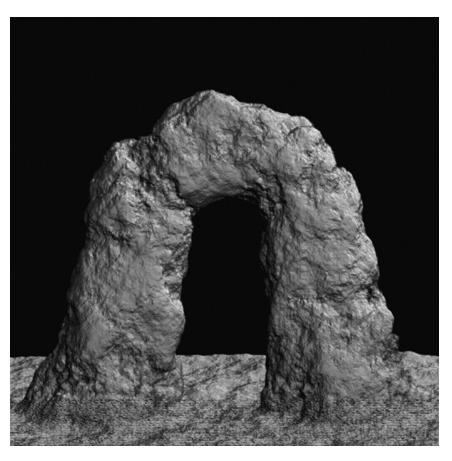
Corona

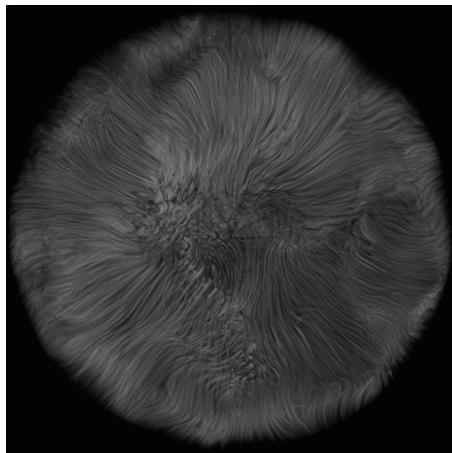
- The corona was made as follows:
 - Create a smooth gradient function the drops off radially from bright yellow to dark red.
 - Phase shift this function by adding a turbulence texture to its domain.
 - Place a black cutout disk over the image.
- Animation
 - Scale up over time
 - Use higher dim noise (for time)
 - http://www.noisemachine.com/talk1/imgs/flame500.html



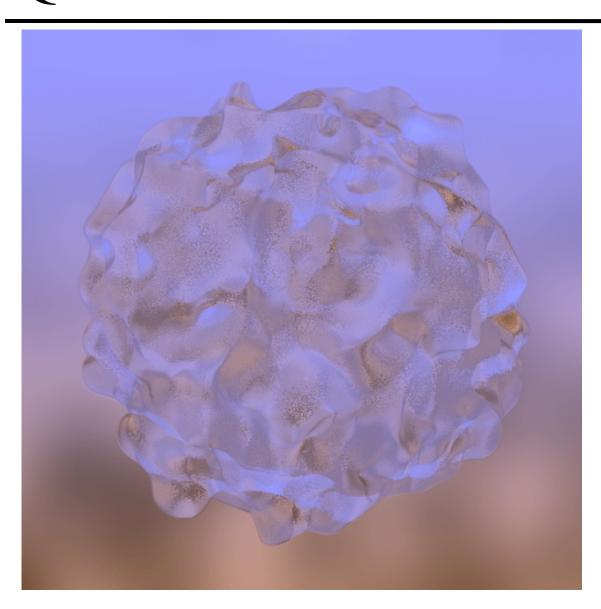
Slides by Ken Perlin

Other Cool Usage: Displacement, Fur





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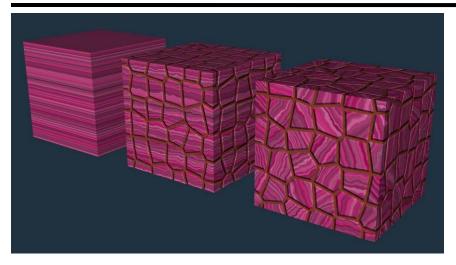
Shaders

- Noise: one ingredient of shaders
- Can also use textures
- Shaders control diffuse color, but also specular components, maybe even roughness (exponent), transparency, etc.
- Shaders can be layered (e.g. a layer of dust, peeling paint, mortar between bricks).
- Notion of shade tree
 - Pretty much algebraic tree
- Assignment 5: checkerboard shader based on two shaders

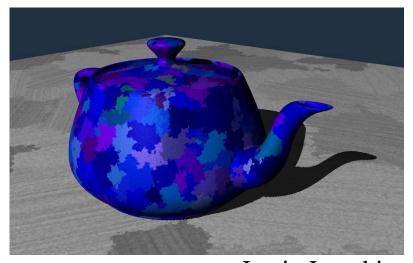
Bottom Line

- Programmable shader provide great flexibility
- Shaders can be extremely complex
 - 10,000 lines of code!
- Writing shaders is a black art

That's All For Today!



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