# Adding realism

#### Overview of further methods

Warping and free-form deformation Ray tracing Particle systems

# Warping and free-form deformation





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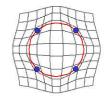
# Warping and free-form deformation

- Free-Form Deformation (FFD) is a technique for modelling 3D deformable objects
- FFDs are defined by a mesh of control points with uniform spacing
- An underlying object is deformed by manipulating a mesh of control points
  - control point can be displaced from their original location
  - control points provide a parameterization of the transformation

# Warping and free-form deformation



Define a mesh around an object



Deform the mesh at all the nodes as required.

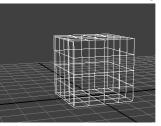
Then interpolate the deformation for all the object vertices and pixels

# Warping and free-form deformation 2D

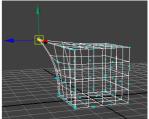




# Warping and free-form deformation 3D

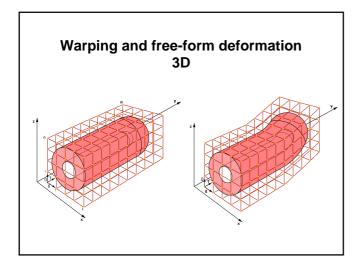


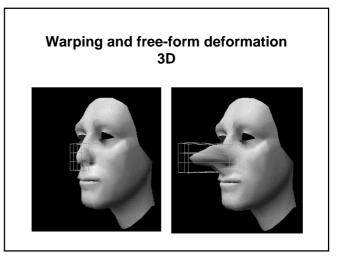
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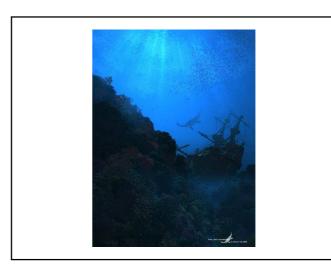
Then interpolate the deformation for all the object vertices and pixels (c.f. Gouraud or Phong method)





# Ray tracing

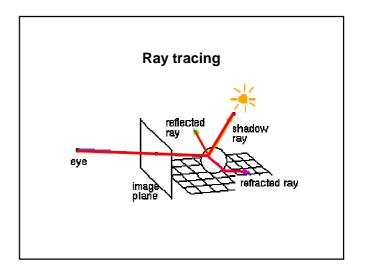
- Ray tracing is one of the most popular methods used in 3D computer graphics to render an image
- It works by tracing the path taken by a ray of light through the scene, and calculating reflection, refraction, or absorption of the ray whenever it intersects an object in the world
- Adds more realism to the rendered scene by allowing effects such as
  - shadows
  - transparency
  - reflections and self-reflections



# Ray tracing

#### General scheme

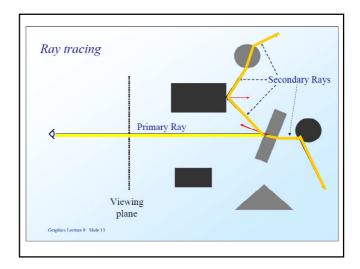
- For each pixel on the screen, a ray is defined by the line joining the viewpoint and the pixel of the viewing plane (perspective projection) or by a line orthogonal to the viewing place
- Each ray is cast through the viewing volume and checked for intersections with the objects inside the viewing volume



#### Ray tracing

#### Backward ray tracing

- · Follow light rays backward from the camera.
- · Only one ray for each pixel.
- When (if) the backward ray hits an object, determine the intensity of light and colour coming from the object at the intersection point.



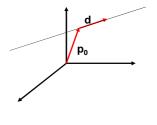
### Ray tracing - calculations

- · For each ray we must
  - Calculate all possible intersections with each object inside the viewing volume
  - Find the nearest intersection point
- The scene can be defined using
  - Solid models, e.g.
    - Sphere
    - Cylinder
  - Surface models, e.g.
    - planes
    - triangles
    - polygons
    - Bézier patches

# Ray tracing - calculations

#### Rays

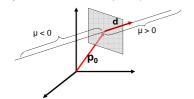
- · Rays are parametric lines
- · Can be defined by
  - origin  $\mathbf{p_0}$
  - direction d
- · Equation of ray:
- $p = p_0 + \mu d$



# Ray tracing - calculations

#### Calculating Intersection

- The viewing ray can be parameterized by μ:
  - $-\mu > 0$  denotes the part of the ray behind the viewing plane
  - $-\mu$  < 0 denotes the part of the ray in front of the viewing plane
- For any visible intersection point  $\mu > 0$



# Ray tracing - calculations

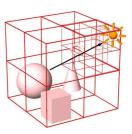
- We now have to calculate the point of intersection of each ray with each surface on its path
- Different surface representations require different solutions. See the website below for equations for sphere, cylinder, plane and triangle
- http://www.doc.ic.ac.uk/~dfg/graphics/graphics2009/GraphicsLecture10.pdf
- http://www.doc.ic.ac.uk/~dfg/graphics/graphics2009/GraphicsLecture11.pdf

# Ray tracing – speeding up the calculations

- · Ray tracing is computationally very demanding
- · Various methods exist to speed up the calculations
- · The most common are
  - Finding bounding boxes (2D)
  - Finding bounding volumes (3D)
  - Limiting the number of interactions that any ray has with objects in the scene
- We first determine "chunks" of image or space which contains object projections (2D) or objects (3D)
- · We only "fire" rays at the non-empty chunks

# Ray tracing – speeding up the calculations

- · Bounding Volumes
  - Enclose groups of objects in sets of hierarchical bounding volumes (Octree)
  - First test for intersection with the bounding volume
  - Then only if there is an intersection, against the objects enclosed by the volume.





# Particle systems

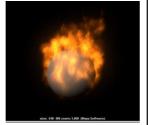
- Used to simulate amorphous (shapeless) objects, e.g.
  - Fire,
  - Smoke
  - Water
  - Clouds



http://cobweb.ecn.purdue.edu/~ebertd/635/Sp99/notes/Images/cloud\_big.gif

#### Particle systems

- Amorphous objects are simulated by a discrete set of small particles
- Particles can have:
  - Mass
  - Position
  - Velocity
  - Temperature
  - Shape (a sprite)
  - Lifetime



http://media.wiley.com/assets/430/48/0-07645-8789-7\_1502.jpg

# Particle systems

- Particles can be created according to a probability distribution
- They can be given an initial velocity and a lifetime
- Depending on the simulation their movement can be determined by dynamics

# Particle system dynamics

• Newtonian particles:

**f** = m **a** (**f** and **a** are vectors)

 $\mathbf{a} = d\mathbf{v}/dt = d^2\mathbf{x}/dt^2$ 

- Given f we need to find the change in position x
- Since we are working in frame intervals we can use a simple approximation

$$\mathbf{v}_{t+1} = \mathbf{a}_t \Delta t + \mathbf{v}_t$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{t+1} = \mathbf{v}_t \Delta t + \mathbf{x}_t$$

# Particle systems



### **Credits**

- This presentation has used slides from various web sources, including:
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