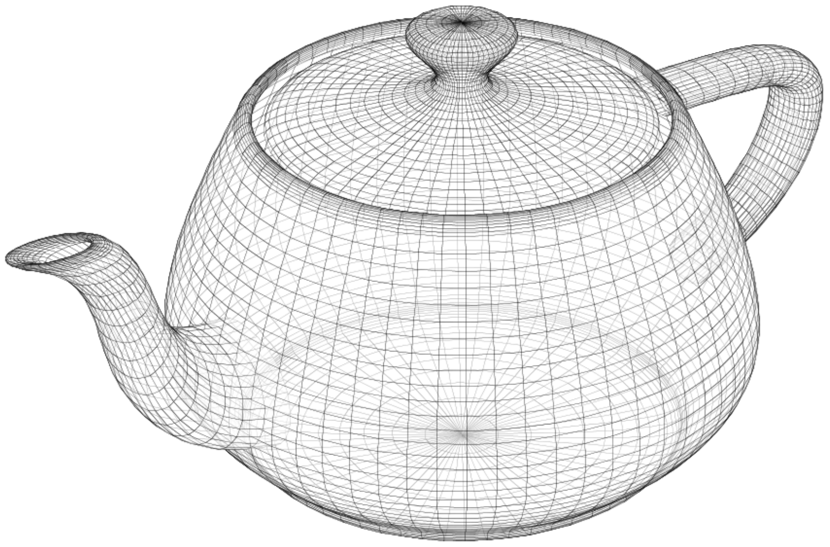
Shading



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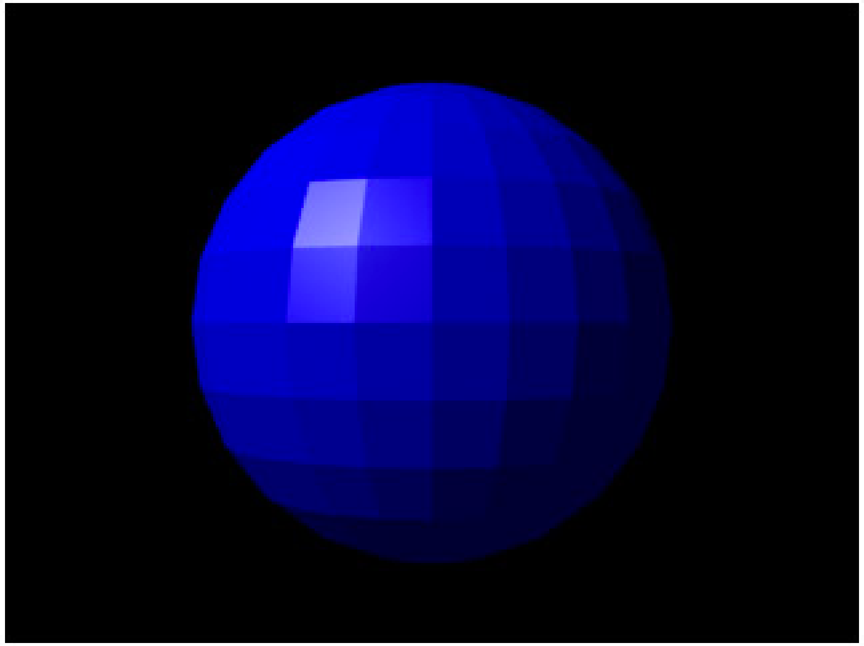
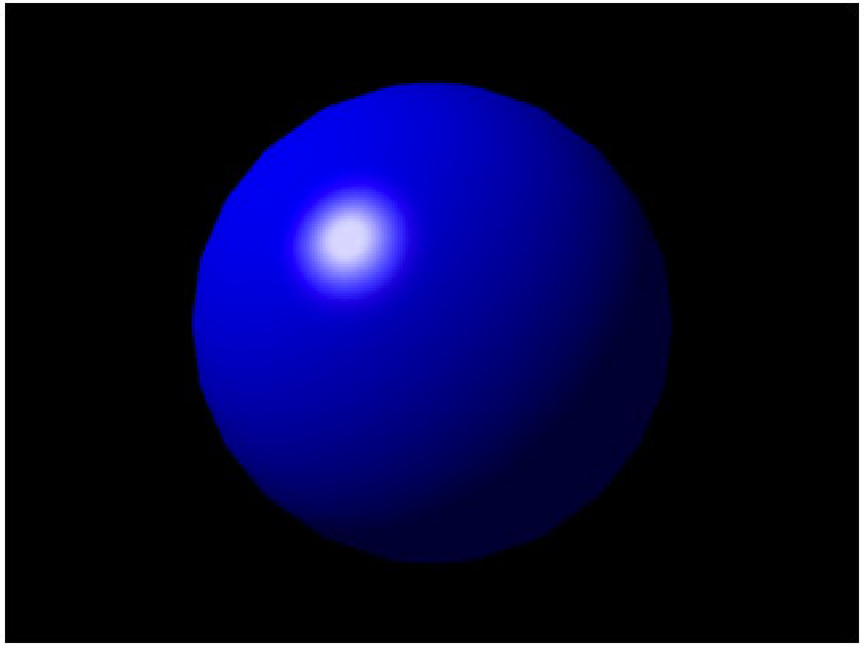
Shading

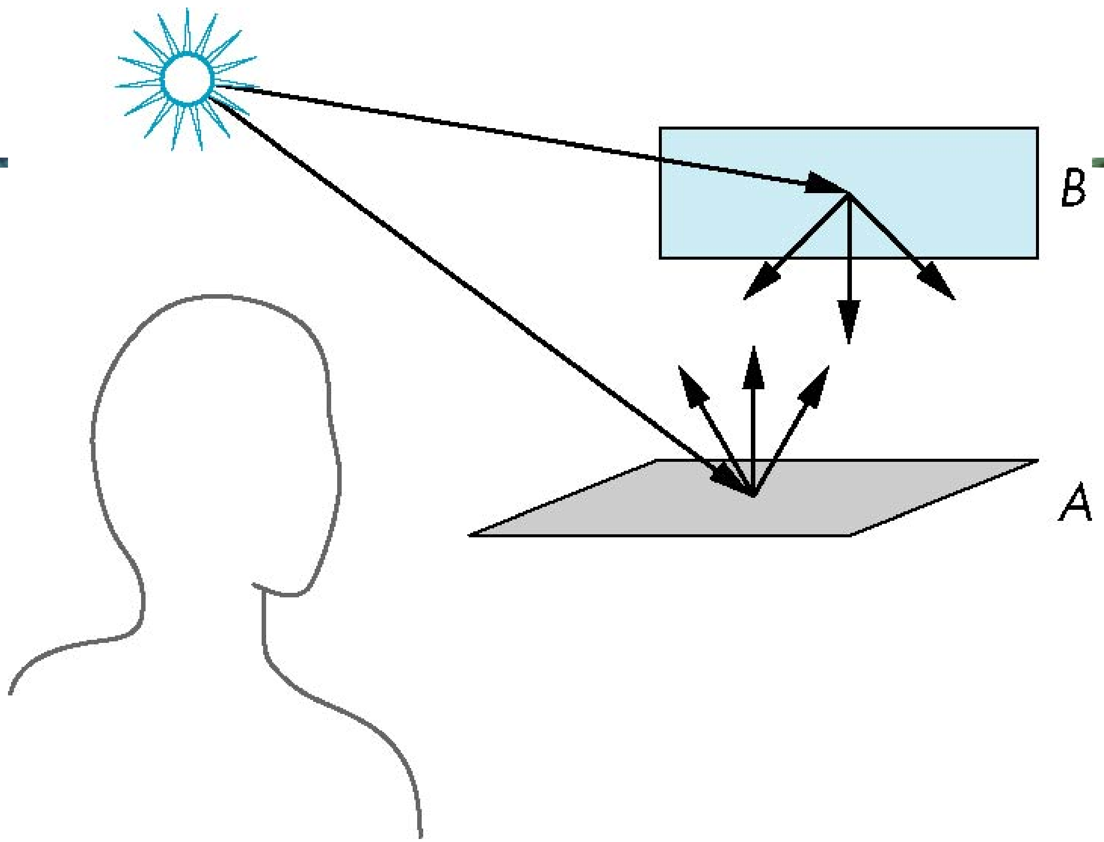
Shading refers to the process of determining the color for a pixel (or vertex…or polygon) during the rendering process





What is the difference between the two images?

Scattering

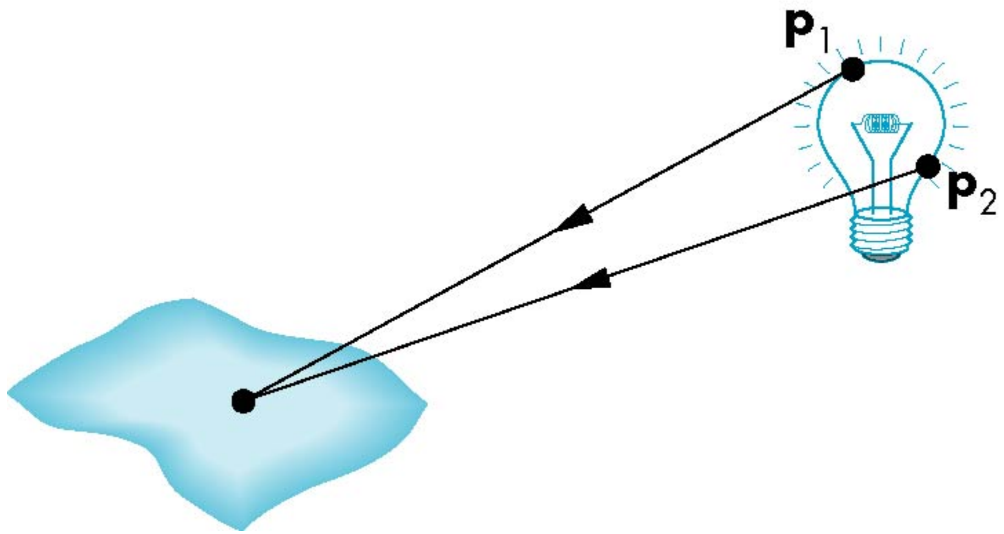


- Light strikes A
  - Some scattered
  - Some absorbed
- Some of scattered light strikes B
  - Some scattered
  - Some absorbed
- Some of this scattered light strikes A and so on

Light Sources

General light sources are complex to model

Would need to integrate light coming from all points on the source

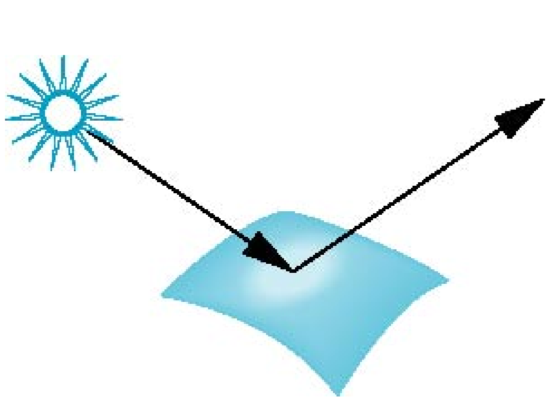


Simple Light Source Models

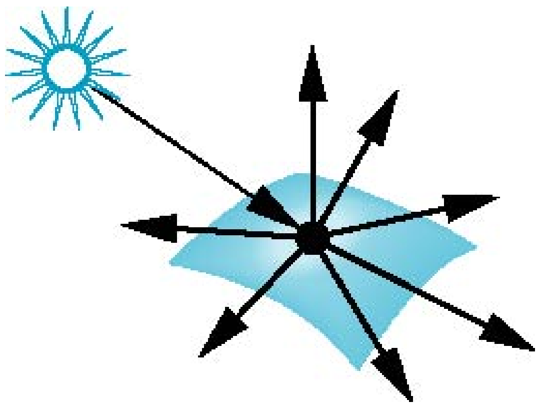
- Point source
  - Model with position and color
- Directional source
  - Distant source = infinite distance away (parallel)
- Ambient light
  - Same amount of light everywhere in scene
  - Can model contribution of many sources and reflecting surfaces

Surface Types

- Consider light traveling along a specific ray
- The smoother a surface, the more reflected light is concentrated in a single direction
  - Perfect mirror reflects perfectly in a single direction
- A very rough surface scatters light in all directions



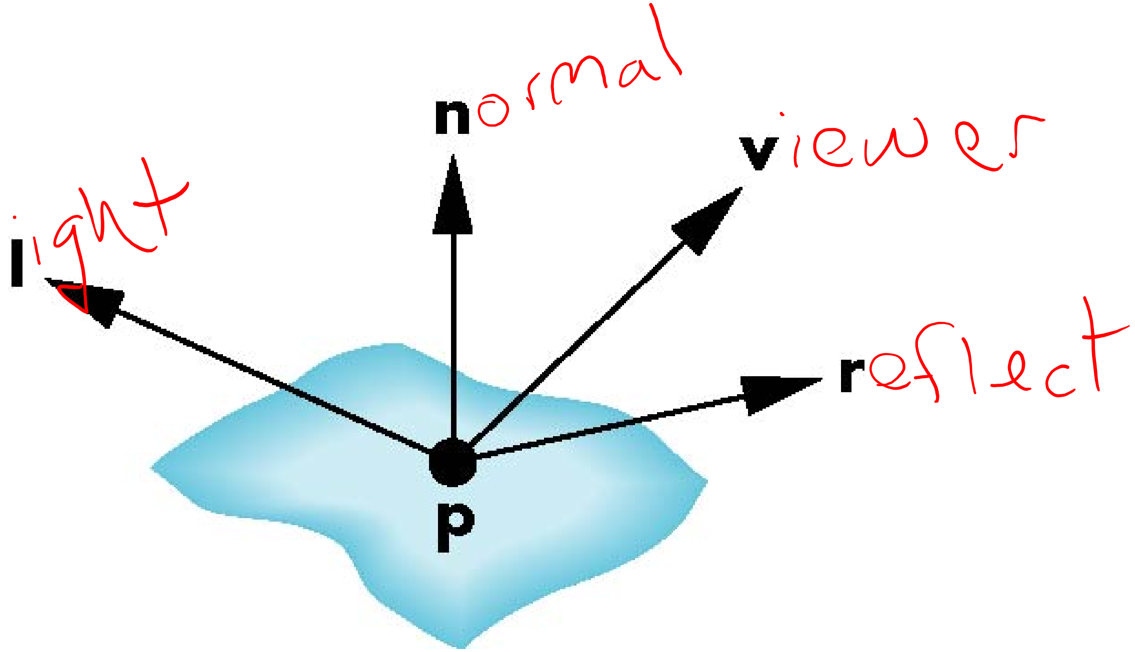
smooth surface



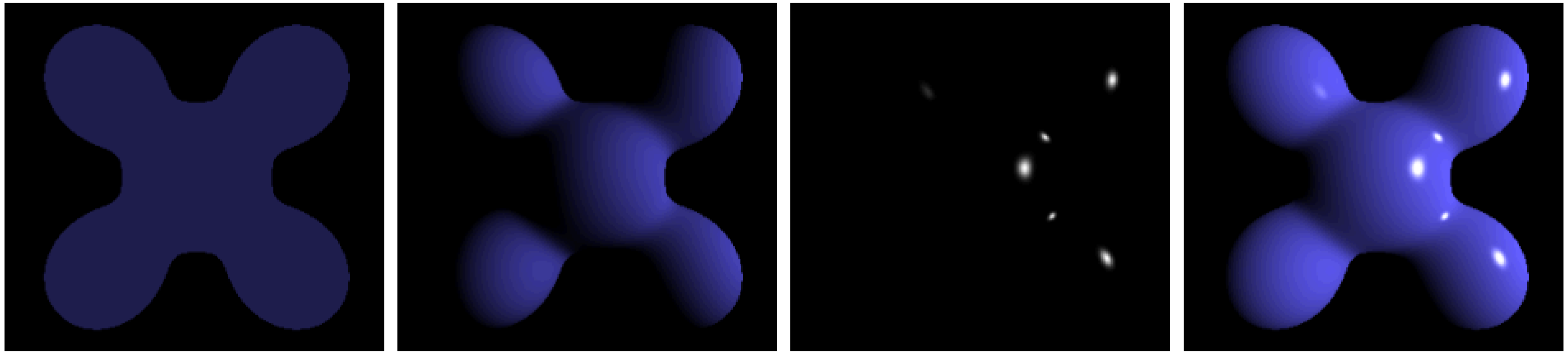
rough surface

The Phong Reflection Model

- A simple model that can be computed rapidly
- Has three components
  - Diffuse
  - Specular
  - Ambient
- Uses four vectors
  - To light
  - To viewer
  - Normal
  - Perfect reflector



Phong Reflectance Model

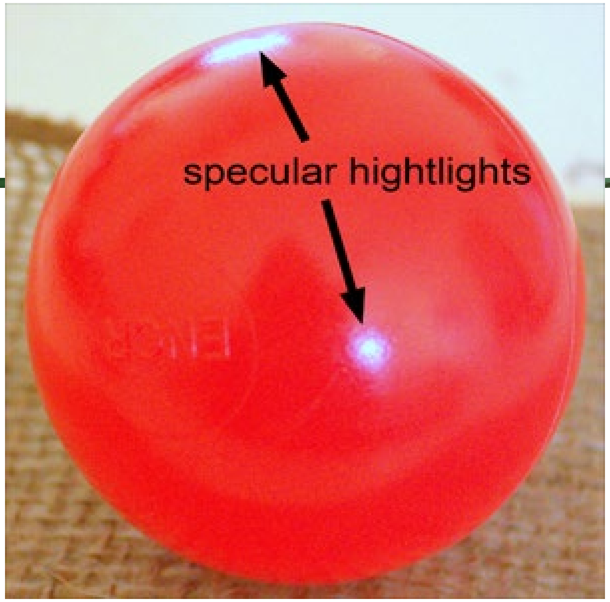


Ambient + Diffuse + Specular = Phong Reflection

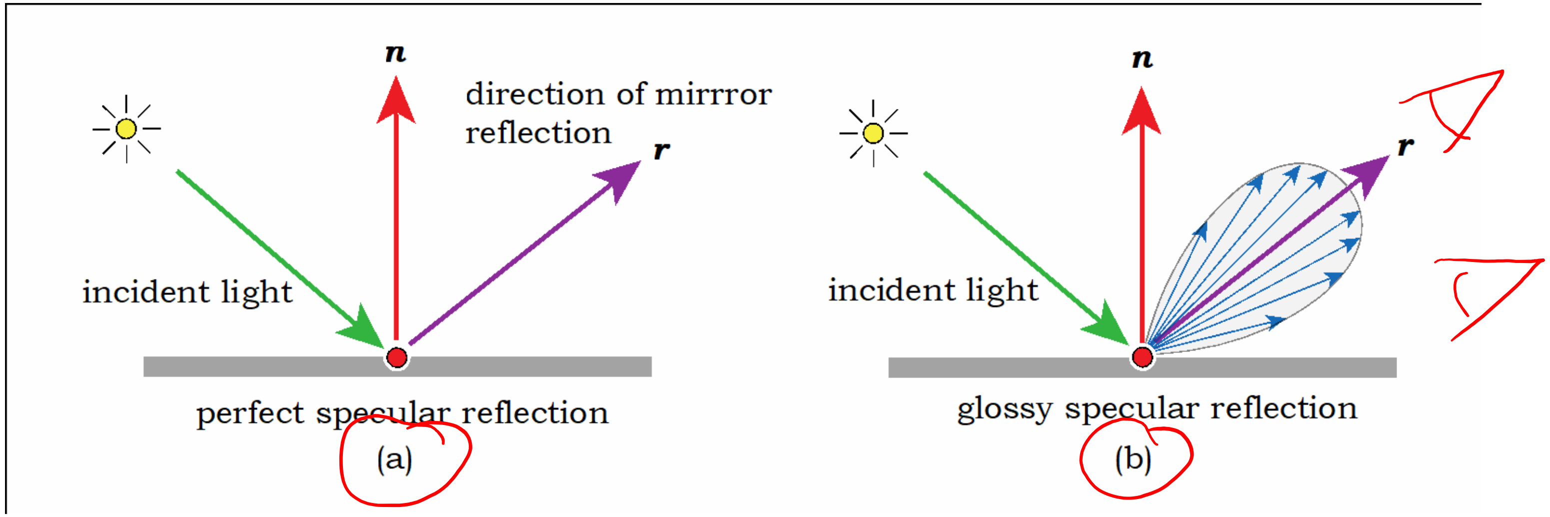
$$I_p = k_a i_a + \sum_{m \in \text{lights}} \left(k_d (\hat{L}_m \cdot \hat{N}) i_{m,d} + k_s (\hat{R}_m \cdot \hat{V})^{\alpha} i_{m,s} \right)$$

$(1,0,0) \cdot (1/4, 1/4, 1/4) = (1/4, 0, 0)$

Specular Reflection



- Perfect specular reflection
  - Light is reflected in the single direction r
  - …the mirror reflection direction
- Glossy specular reflection
  - Scattering clustered around mirror reflection direction



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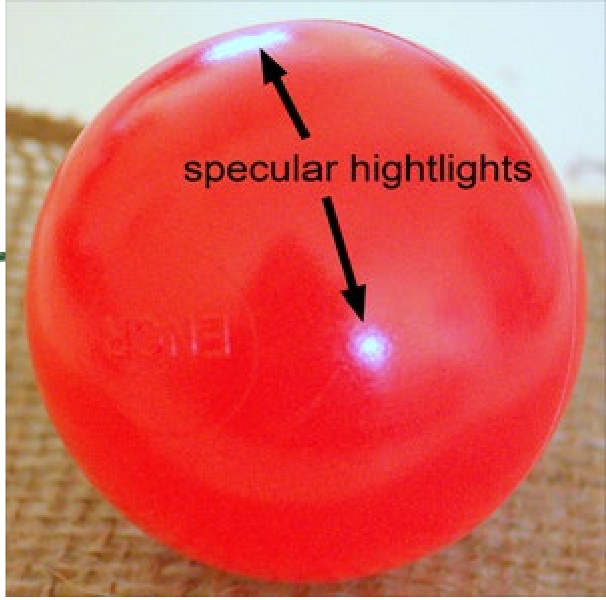
Specular Reflection

- Reflectance determined by
  - Alignment of view vector with mirror reflection vector
  - Shininess coefficient
- High coefficient means smoother look
  - Maybe 100 for metal
  - Maybe 10 for plastic



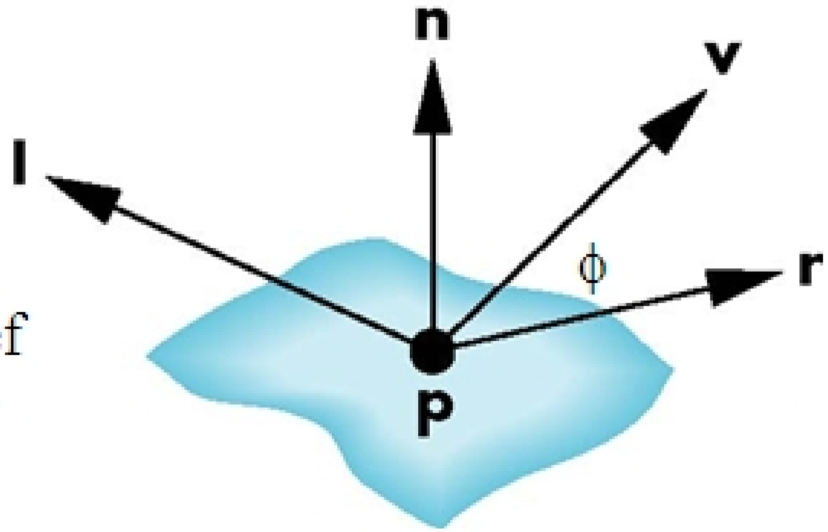
$$I_r \sim k_s\, I \cos^{\alpha}\phi$$

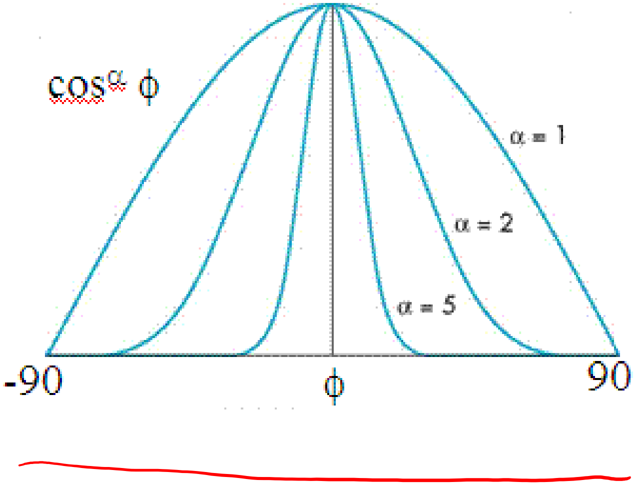
reflected intensity

absorption coef

incoming intensity

shininess coef





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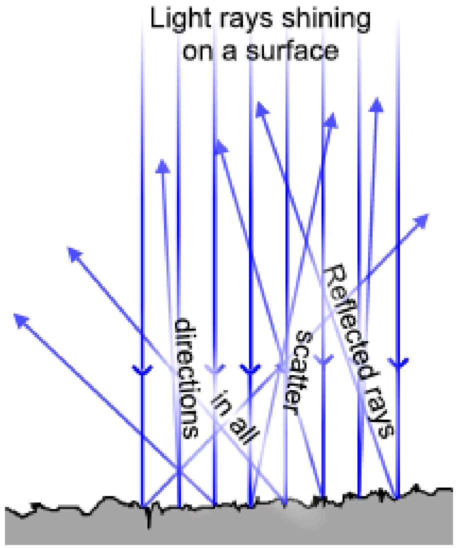
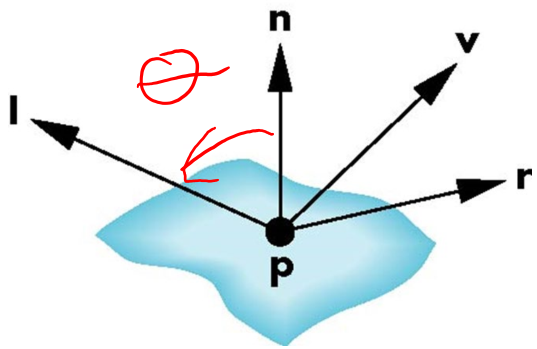
Modeling a Lambertian Surface – Diffuse Reflection

- Perfectly diffuse reflector
- Light scattered equally in all directions
- Amount of light reflected is affected by the angle of incidence
  - reflected light proportional to ***cosine of angle between l and n***
  - if vectors normalized

$$\cos(\theta) = n \cdot l$$





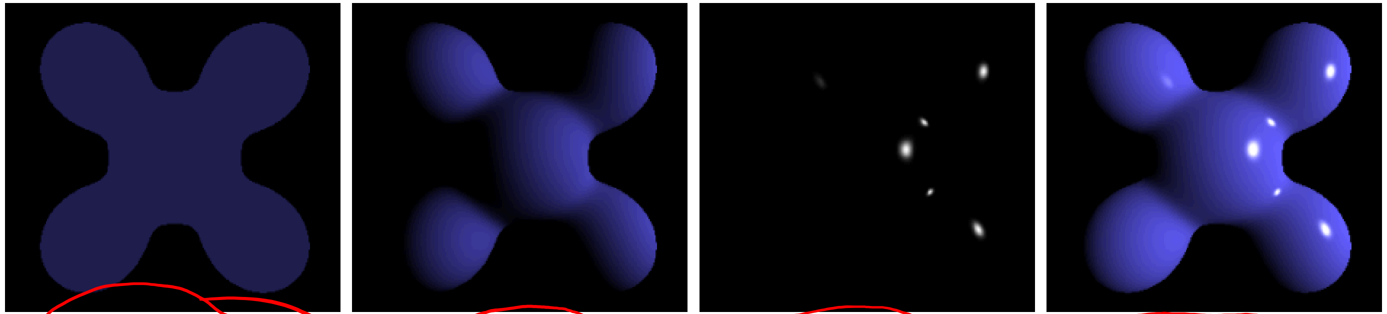
- Amount of reflected light also affected by k_d and i_d
  - Each is an rgb value with each channel in [0,1]

Ambient Light

- Result of multiple interactions between light sources and surfaces
- Amount and color depend on the color of the light(s) and the material properties
- Add k_a I_a to diffuse and specular terms

reflection intensity of ambient light

Remember that ki multiplications are component-wise multiplications of rgb values
$(k_r, k_g, k_b)(i_r, i_g, i_b) = (k_r i_r, k_g i_g, k_b i_b)$



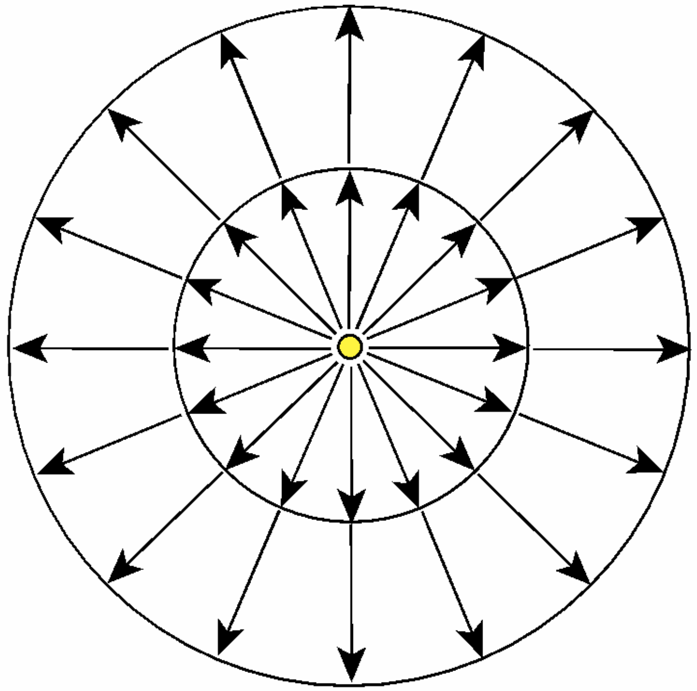
Ambient + Diffuse + Specular = Phong Reflection

Distance Terms

- The light from a point source that reaches a surface is ***attenuated***
  - Intensity falls off with the square of the distance
- We can apply a factor to the diffuse and specular terms

$$\frac{1}{ad^2+bd+c}$$

- **d** is the distance from the light to surface
- **a,b,c** are constants you choose to get different effects



Blinn-Phong Reflectance Model

- Jim Blinn suggested an approximating changing specular term
- Replace $(\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{R})^a$ by $(\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{H})^b$ where
  - "Halfway vector"

$$H = \frac{L + V}{\|L + V\|}$$

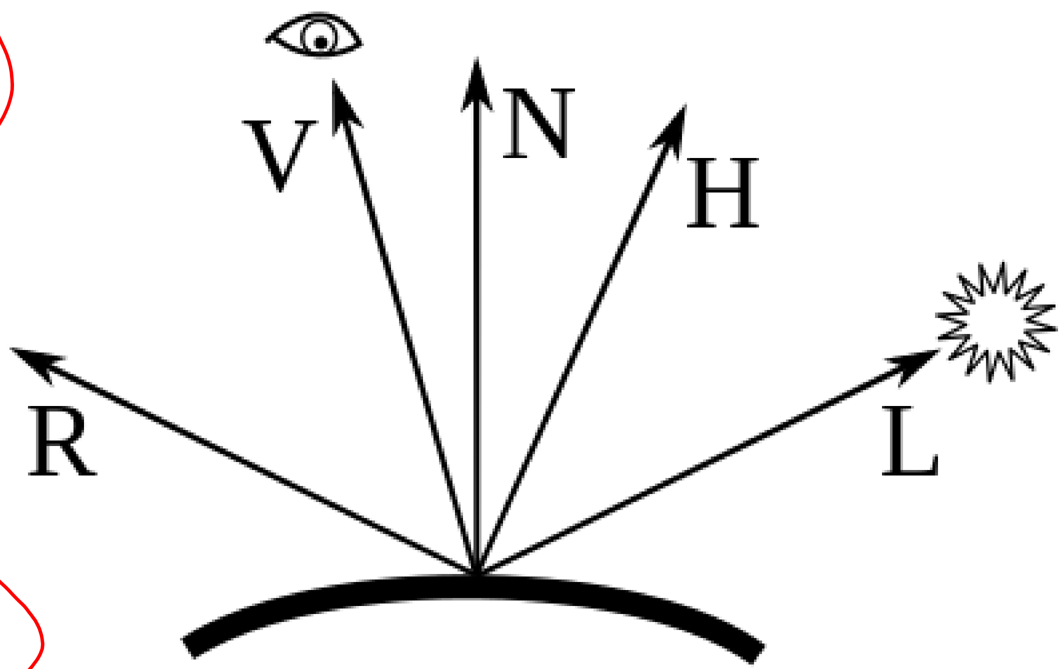
- More efficient in terms of the operations used
- Closer to physically correct lighting
- Pick exponent ***b*** to match what you want
  - Using higher ***b>a*** will make output similar to Phong with ***a***

The Halfway Vector

H is normalized vector halfway between **L** and **V**

$$H = \frac{L + V}{\|L + V\|}$$

$$r = 2(l \cdot n)n - l$$



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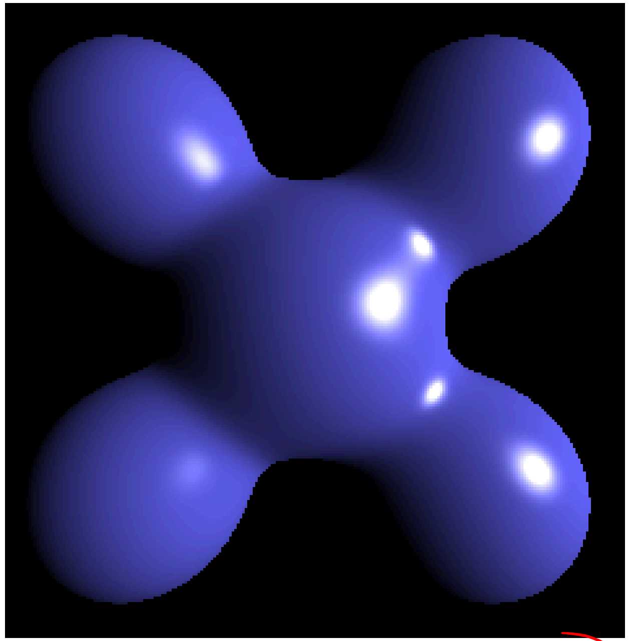
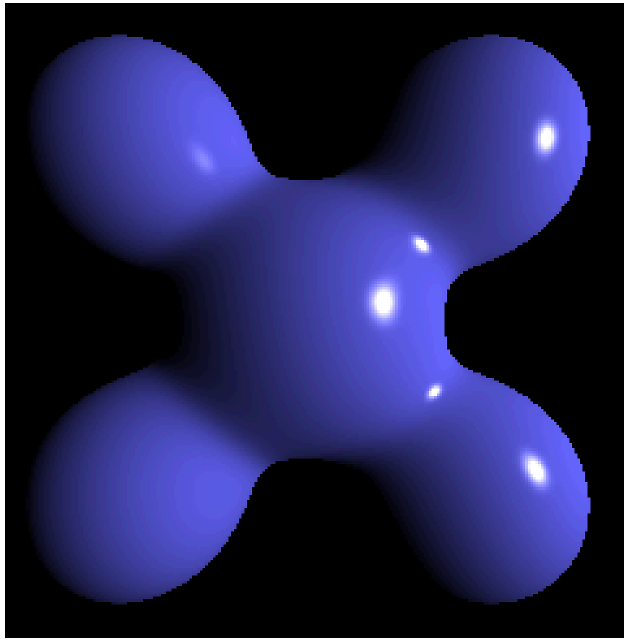
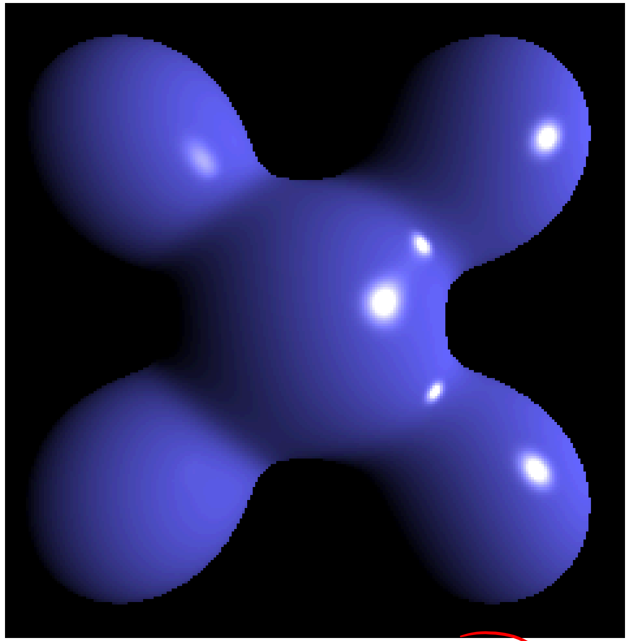
Phong versus Blinn-Phong



Blinn–Phong



Phong



Blinn–Phong
(higher exponent)

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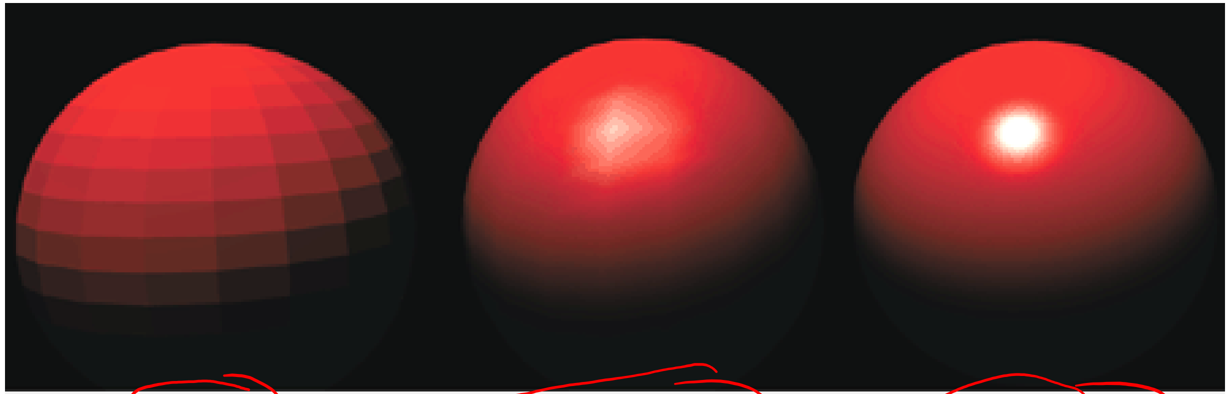
Gouraud and Phong Shading

- **Gouraud Shading**
  - Find average normal at each vertex
  - Compute shade at each vertex
  - Interpolate vertex shades across each polygon
- **Phong shading**
  - Find average normal at each vertex
  - Interpolate vertex normals across edges
  - Interpolate edge normals across polygon
  - Compute shade at each fragment



Flat Gouraud Phong

Phong Shading is NOT THE SAME as the Phong reflectance model

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  - Dissertation work was the Phong reflectance model
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Fig. 9. Improved shading, applied to the example of Figure 2.