

## Transformations (Lectures 4-5)

### 2D rotation

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(\alpha + \theta) &= \sin(\alpha) \cos(\theta) + \cos(\alpha) \sin(\theta) \\ \cos(\alpha + \theta) &= \cos(\alpha) \cos(\theta) - \sin(\alpha) \sin(\theta)\end{aligned}$$

$$x = a \cos(\theta) - b \sin(\theta)$$

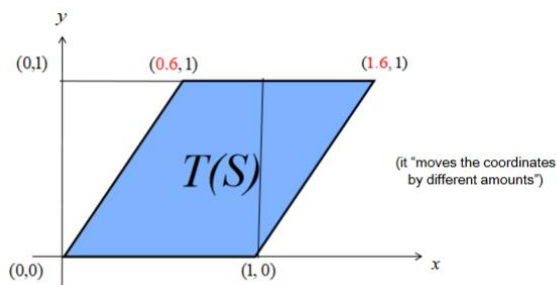
$$y = a \sin(\theta) + b \cos(\theta)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{(2D Rotation matrix encoding)}$$

$$S_{r,s} = \begin{pmatrix} r & 0 \\ 0 & s \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{(2D Scaling)}$$

$$Sh_{x,y} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ y & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{(Shearing)}$$



### Affine Maps

Cartesian to homogeneous coordinates:

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow v = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Homogeneous to cartesian coordinates:

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow v = \begin{pmatrix} x/w \\ y/w \end{pmatrix}$$

### Homogenous Transformations

Shearing in 3D results in translation in 2D plane  $w=1$

$$T_{r,s} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & r \\ 0 & 1 & s \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x+r \\ y+s \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Conversion back to original dimension

$$\begin{pmatrix} x+r \\ y+s \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x+r}{1} \\ \frac{y+s}{1} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x+r \\ y+s \end{pmatrix}$$

### Composition of Transformations

1. Translate to origin
2. Rotate around origin
3. Translate back

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 1 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{translation back}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{rotation around origin}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -a \\ 0 & 1 & -b \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{translation to origin}}$$

Applying transformation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 1 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -a \\ 0 & 1 & -b \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

### **3D Transformation matrices**

2D – 3x3 matrix, 3D – 4x4

$$\begin{pmatrix} e_{11} & e_{12} & e_{13} & e_{14} \\ e_{21} & e_{22} & e_{23} & e_{24} \\ e_{31} & e_{32} & e_{33} & e_{34} \\ e_{41} & e_{42} & e_{43} & e_{44} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ w' \end{pmatrix}$$

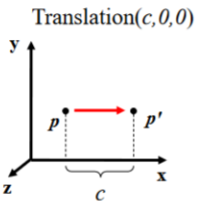
### Homogenous coordinates

w unchanged when homogenous coordinate is multiplied by an affine matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} e_{11} & e_{12} & e_{13} & e_{14} \\ e_{21} & e_{22} & e_{23} & e_{24} \\ e_{31} & e_{32} & e_{33} & e_{34} \\ \boxed{0 & 0 & 0 & 1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ w \end{pmatrix}$$

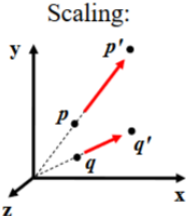
## Affine transformations

### Translation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x+a \\ y+b \\ z+c \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$


$$T(a, b, c) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Scaling

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ax \\ by \\ cz \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$


$$S(r, s, t) = \begin{pmatrix} r & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Rotation

$$R_x(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_y(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & \sin(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_z(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Change of Orthonormal Basis

- Change of basis is transformations
- Affine transformation often needed

### Transformation

- Lines in matrix are the coordinates of the new frame written with respect to the old frame

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_x & u_y & u_z \\ v_x & v_y & v_z \\ n_x & n_y & n_z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ n \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{M} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ n \end{pmatrix}$$

### Transforming back

$$\mathbf{M} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ n \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{M}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

Inverse: if the transformation is only a rotation

$$M^{-1} = M^T$$

## Camera Transformations

Equivalent to change of basis

- Coordinates of the objects in the scene are transformed with respect to a camera frame of reference

Typical parameters: eye position, center, up vectors

Gaze direction  $\mathbf{z} = \|\text{eye-center}\|$

$$\mathbf{x} = \text{up} \times \mathbf{z}$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{z} \times \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{cam} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}.x & \mathbf{x}.y & \mathbf{x}.z & 0 \\ \mathbf{y}.x & \mathbf{y}.y & \mathbf{y}.z & 0 \\ \mathbf{z}.x & \mathbf{z}.y & \mathbf{z}.z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\mathbf{e}.x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -\mathbf{e}.y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\mathbf{e}.z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Perspective Camera Transformation

Camera perspective projection in OpenGL:

- Position along z of the “near plane”
- Position along z of the “far plane”
- Eye position at (0,0,0)

Projection along z inside viewing frustrum:

$$f = \cotangent\left(\frac{fovy}{2}\right)$$

The generated matrix is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{f}{aspect} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{zFar+zNear}{zNear-zFar} & \frac{2 \times zFar \times zNear}{zNear-zFar} \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

zNear – near plane, zfar – far plane

## Transformation Properties

- Preserves...

	Rigid	Linear	Affine	Projective
lengths	✓			
angles	✓			
ratios of distances	✓	✓	✓	
parallel lines	✓	✓	✓	
straight lines	✓	✓	✓	✓

# Projections

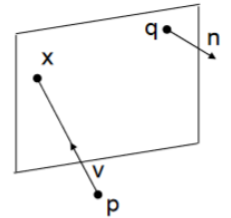
## Parallel Projection

Same direction, different origins

Point **p** is projected by direction **v** in a plane (**q,n**)

Parallel projection by direction **v** into a plane(**q,n**):

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} & 0 & 0 & -(\mathbf{v} \mathbf{n}^T) \\ 0 & \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} & 0 & (\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{n}) \mathbf{v} \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} & \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} \end{array} \right)$$



## Perspective Projection

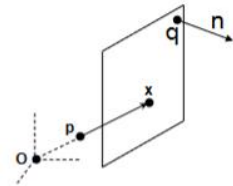
Same origin, different directions

Assumes camera "eye" is at the origin

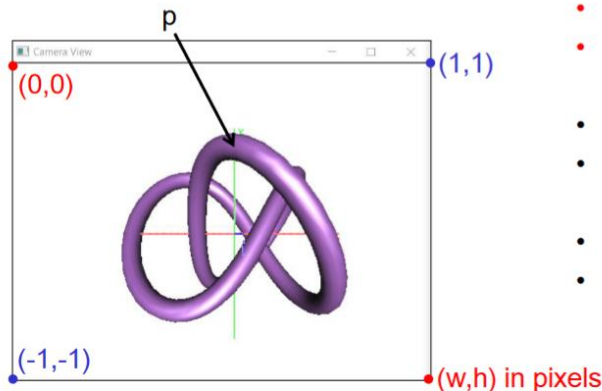
For each point **p**, the direction of projection is **p** (line from the origin to **p**)

• Perspective projection into a plane(**q,n**):

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{I}(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{n}) & 0 \\ \mathbf{n}^T & 0 \end{array} \right)$$



## Picking



- 500/1000 = 0.5
- 250/1000 = 0.25
- 0.5 - 0.5 = 0.0
- (1 - 0.25) - 0.5 = 0.25
- 0.0 \* 2 = 0.0
- 0.25 \* 2 = 0.5

Corresponding ray going into scene

P = (500, 250) – pixel coordinates you would receive in callback function

Assuming window of 1000x1000

Normalized p = (0.0, 0.5)

1. normalize p (as above)
2. compute ray endpoints

Recall viewing transformation:  $M = P M_{cam}$

Given p in normalized 2D window coordinates:

2.1 Ray  $p1 = M^{-1} (p.x, p.y, \text{near plane } z)$

2.2 Ray  $p2 = p1 - eye$

3. intersect ray with all objects (triangles) in the scene, return the object with the closest intersection to the eye position of the camera

# Triangulation

## Ear Triangulation

Simple implementation:  $O(n^3)$  time

Track convex and concave list:  $O(n^2)$  time

Polygon stored as a list of array or vertices

Perform CCW and intersection test

- CCW test done by cross product
- Continue finding candidates until list is empty

## Barycentric Coordinates

$$p = \alpha x + \beta y + \gamma z$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$$

Triangle interpretation:

- barycentric coordinates describe  $\mathbf{p}$  with respect to the triangle
- Triangle becomes its "frame of reference"

### Sub-areas relations

$$\alpha = \frac{A}{A+B+C}, \quad \beta = \frac{B}{A+B+C}, \quad \gamma = \frac{C}{A+B+C}$$

$$D = D_1 + D_2, D_1 = aD, D_2 = bD, (a+b=1)$$

$$C = E_1 + E_2, E_1 = cD_1, E_2 = dD_1, (c+d=1)$$

$$E_2 = cD_2, A = dD_2$$

$$A = dbD, B = daD, C = c(a+b)D = cD$$

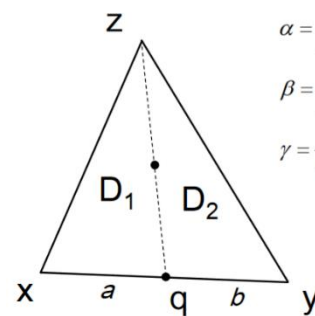
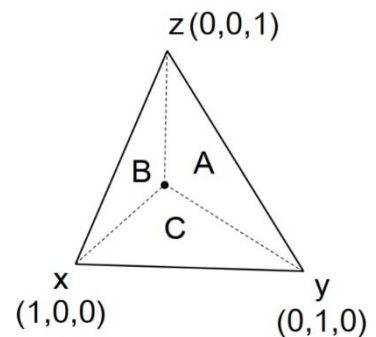
### Computation by Cramer's Rule

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_x & y_x & z_x \\ x_y & y_y & z_y \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \\ \gamma \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p_x \\ p_y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{p} & \mathbf{y} & \mathbf{z} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{x} & \mathbf{y} & \mathbf{z} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}},$$

$$\beta = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{x} & \mathbf{p} & \mathbf{z} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{x} & \mathbf{y} & \mathbf{z} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}},$$

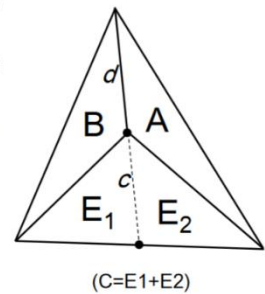
$$\gamma = \alpha - \beta - 1.$$



$$\alpha = \frac{A}{A+B+C}$$

$$\beta = \frac{B}{A+B+C}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{C}{A+B+C}$$



# Light

## Achromatic light

- One intensity/brightness value representation (ex: 0 is black, 255 is white)
- We perceive intensities in a nonlinear way
- Intensity levels should be spaced logarithmically to achieve equal steps in brightness
- CRT monitor behavior is also not linear
  - o Gamma correction
- How many intensities are enough? – A B&W image can use as many gray levels as needed
- Halftone approximation – Many gray levels perceived from fewer gray levels

## Color representation

How many colors? Depends on:

- Storage requirements (memory)
- Processing time requirements (speed)
- Frame buffer manipulation algorithms
- Limitations of the monitor and computer

Working with colors

- Lookup tables: represent colors as indices to a color table
- Quantization: reduce # of colors used while minimizing perception of color changes
- Dithering: simulate many colors from few ones

Common to use  $3 \times 8 = 24$  bit representation per r,g,b color (**true color representation**)

- 32-bit descriptions will include alpha channel ( $4 \times 8 = 32$ ) (most often used to define a transparency level)

RGB representation

- 3 types of cones in the retinas with different sensitivities to a different wavelengths
- So we can visually match a given color by additively mixing 3 colored lights
- Ex:  $C = rR + gG + bB$

## Chromatic color

Hue: color itself

Saturation: amount of white mixed in the color ex:

- Royal blue: highly saturated
- Sky blue: unsaturated

Lightness: intensity (darker or brighter colors)

Brightness: perceived intensity of a self-luminous object

## Computer models

- Monitors designed to process RGB components
- Other computer representations exist for hardware needs and design purposes
  - o Most often converted to RGB in the end

## HSV (aka HSL)

User-oriented format

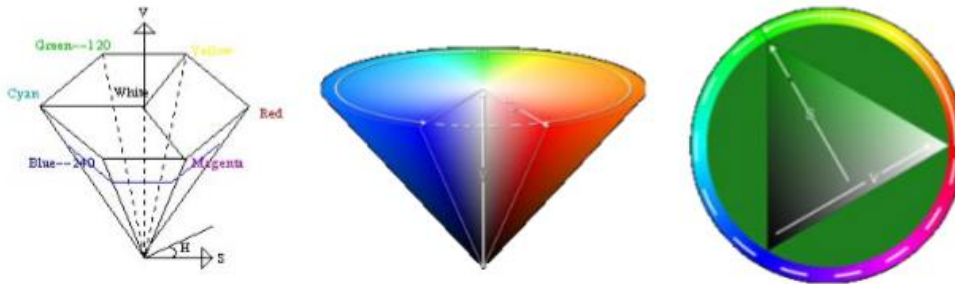
Intuitive tint, shade and tone parameters

Often chosen in color input dialogs

Good for color interpolation – Hue interpolated independently from other values

Hue, saturation, value

- Hue: red, yellow, green, etc.
- Saturation: intensity of a specific hue (intense vs. dull)
- Value: lightness (light vs dark, or white vs black)



## RGB to HSV

- Convert  $r, g, b$  in  $[0, 1]$ , to  $h, s, v$ ;  $h$  in  $[0, 360]$ ,  $s, v$  in  $[0, 1]$ 

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max = Max(r,g,b)
min = Min(r,g,b)
v = max;           // max gives the dominant color
if ( max == min ) { s=0; h=0; return; }
s = (max-min)/max; // saturation: how "dominant" v is

delta = max-min;
if ( r == max )    // color is between magenta and yellow
{ h = (g-b)/delta; if(h<0)h+=6; } // h defines 60deg sector
else if ( g == max ) // color is between yellow and cyan
{ h = 2+(b-r)/delta; }
else if ( b == max ) // color is between cyan and magenta
{ h = 4+(r-g)/delta; }

h *= 60; // convert sector to degrees

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## Illumination and shading



Surfaces are shaded following illumination models

- For each point in a surface, its final color must be computed according to the illumination model before it can be painted in the image buffer during rasterization

Lights and material must be declared first

### Illumination models

- Local models: interaction b/n individual points in a surface and light sources
  - o Very fast, but don't automatically account for refractions, reflections, and shadows
- Global models: interchange of light between all surfaces
  - o Ex: ray tracing
  - o Realistic but slower
- Set the color of a surface point according to light and surface properties

### Shading

- Applies an illumination model to several pixels
- Colors and brightness vary smoothly across a surface using interpolation methods

### Phong Illumination Model

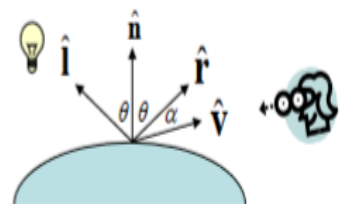
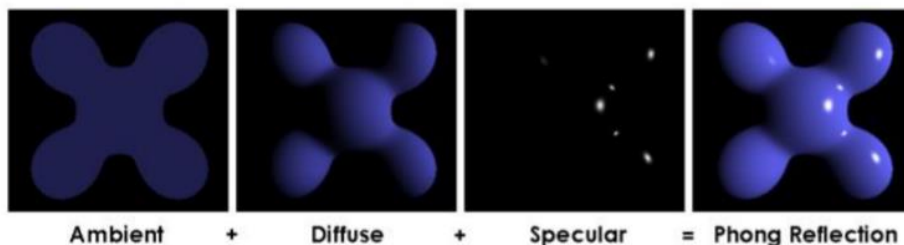
Local model

$$I = I_a k_a + I_d k_d (\hat{l} \cdot \hat{n}) + I_s k_s (\hat{v} \cdot \hat{r})^f$$

Ambient light:  $I = I_a k_a$   
 $k_a \in [0,1]$

Diffuse Reflection:  $I = I_d k_d \cos(\theta) = I_d k_d (\hat{l} \cdot \hat{n})$   
 $k_d \in [0,1], \theta \in [0,90]$

Specular Reflection:  $I = I_s k_s \cos(\alpha)^f = I_d k_d (\hat{v} \cdot \hat{r})^f$   
 $f \geq 0$  (larger f = smaller specular highlights)



Parameters

- Light intensities: for ambient, diffuse, and specular reflection:  $I_a, I_d, I_s$
- Material coefficients: for each type of light intensity:  $k_a, k_d, k_s$
- Scene parameters: involving unit vectors: light direction, surface normal, reflect ray, viewer direction:  $\hat{l}, \hat{n}, \hat{r}, \hat{v}$

### Extensions

Emissive light

- Emissive intensity constant  $k_e$
- Similar to ambient color but doesn't depend on the color of light
- Models an amount of emitted light

$$I = k_e + I_a k_a + I_d k_d (\hat{l} \cdot \hat{n}) + I_s k_s (\hat{v} \cdot \hat{r})^f$$

Light-source attenuation

- w/ the eq. seen so far, two parallel surface of the same material, no matter their distance to the light source, will have the same diffuse value

$$I = I_a k_a + f_{att} I_d k_d (\hat{l} \cdot \hat{n}) + I_s k_s (\hat{v} \cdot \hat{r})^f$$

$$f_{att} = \frac{1}{d_L^2}$$

## Colored lights

Illumination model is a combo of **light properties** and **material properties**:

- light intensities ( $I$ ) determined per component r,g,b
- material properties ( $k$ ) also per component

$$I^R = k_e^R + I_a^R k_a^R + I_d^R k_d^R (\hat{l} \cdot \hat{n}) + I_s^R k_s^R (\hat{v} \cdot \hat{r})^f$$

$$I^G = k_e^G + I_a^G k_a^G + I_d^G k_d^G (\hat{l} \cdot \hat{n}) + I_s^G k_s^G (\hat{v} \cdot \hat{r})^f$$

$$I^B = k_e^B + I_a^B k_a^B + I_d^B k_d^B (\hat{l} \cdot \hat{n}) + I_s^B k_s^B (\hat{v} \cdot \hat{r})^f$$

## Shading

### Flat Shading

- Normal of each polygon face used to illuminate the entire face
- Discontinuous shading occurs at edges between the flat faces
- Not for smooth surfaces such as a sphere

### Smooth Shading

- Correct normal vectors are needed to achieve correct smooth shading results
- Then apply gouraud or phong shading

### Gouraud Shading

Smooth shading without computing illumination on every point inside a triangle

- illuminate triangle vertices, and obtain 3 colors
- interpolate the 3 colors inside the triangle
- problem: specular reflection in the middle of a triangle are missed

### Phong Shading

Interpolate normal from the given pre-vertex normal for each interior point

- each interior point will have a different normal
- phong illumination applied to every interior point using the interpolated normal
- fixes specular reflection (but not outer border polygonal appearance)

Normals “reconstruct the ideal surface)

### **Defining Normals for Phong**

Normal are defined per vertex

- computed normal will define if vertices are
  - o in segments supposed to be edges
  - o in the middle of a smooth surface
- automatic generation of normal is possible and important
  - o can manually define normal vectors
  - o file formats may give lists of normal per vertex, per face, etc.
- back-face culling optimization
  - o don't render triangles with normal pointing away from viewer

### **Transformations and Illumination**

non-rigid transformations may not preserve angles!

A transformed normal vector may not be normal to its corresponding transformed surface anymore (use the transposed inverse)

Do not mix...

- Phong illumination model (an equation), with
- Phong shading model (when all interior points

### **Computing smooth normals**

Different methods can be used to determine the normal of a vertex from the normal of the triangles sharing the vertex:

- Weight uniformly: take the average
- Weight by area
- Weight by inverse area
- Plane fitting to shared vertices
- Weight by angle

## **Textures and Other Mappings**

- Texture mapping – improves realism
- Reflection mappings – way to display reflections in real-time
- Light maps – lighting effects from texture mapping
- Bump maps and displacement maps – to improve geometry detail appearance

Mapping techniques usually involves mapping a 2D data array onto the surface of a 3D object

## Texture Mapping

Extension to Phong's model

- rewrite the diffuse component  $I_d$  as a function of the texture map
- aka "color mapping"

Problem – for every triangle to be rendered, need to define how to map the triangle to the texture image

in OpenGL – each vertex associated with (u, v) texture coordinates

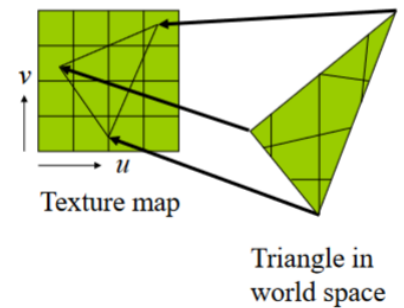
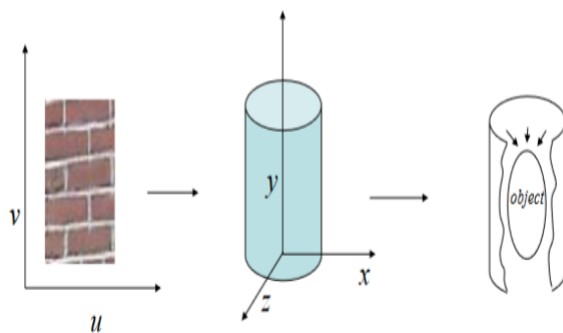
- texture coordinates are always in [0,1]

Mapping using intermediate surface

- first map to an "easy" surface
- then map to the final object

ex: cylinder mapping

$$(\theta, h) \rightarrow (u, v): (u, v) = (\frac{\theta}{\theta_{max}}, h / h_{max})$$



## Spherical Mappings

- texture mapping can be used to alter some or all of the constraints in the illumination equation: diffuse color, alter the normal, etc.
- GLSL uses keyword **sampler** to access the colors in the texture uniform sampler2D texId;

Difficulties

- Textures don't define geometry
  - o Think of as color mappings
  - o Light may appear incorrectly
  - o Aliasing effects
- Aliasing is the under-sampling of a signal, and it's especially noticeable during animation
  - o Details may pop in and out of view
  - o Solution: mipmapping

## Mipmapping

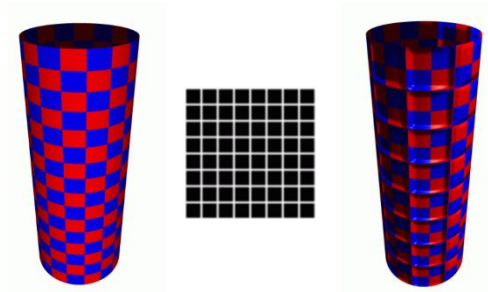
- Original high-resolution texture map is scaled and filtered into multiple resolutions before being applied to a surface
- Texture can appear in full detail if it's seen in a close-up, or can be rendered quickly and smoothly from a lower MIP level when the object appears smaller or further away
- Usually, powers of 2 are used for the MIP map levels (1024x1024 -> 512x512 -> 256x256 -> etc.)

## Billboards

Texture map is treated as a 3D object in a scene

- It's not mapped to a solid object surface
- It's just a plane w/ the image
- The plane rotates to always face the viewer
- Parts of the texture can be transparent

## Bump mapping



Heightmap buffer w/ perturbations to be applied to the surface normals, creating the effect of a different surface

New normals are used for illumination (contrary to simple textures)

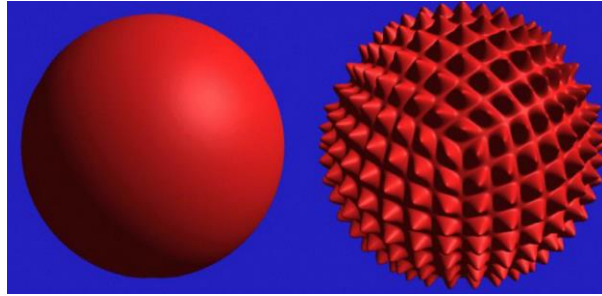
The geometry doesn't change

Limitations

- It's impossible to create bumps on the silhouette of a bump-mapped object
- Bump maps don't resolve self-occlusion

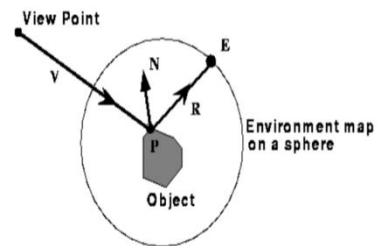
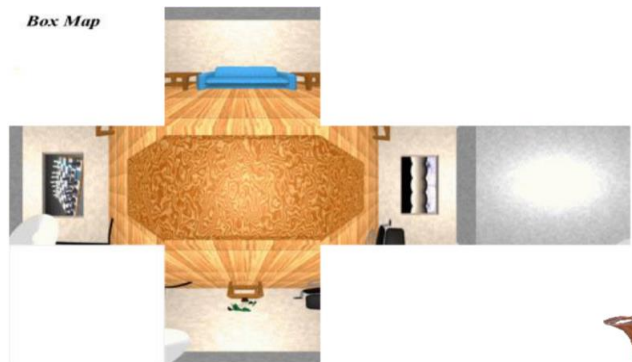
## Displacement maps

- Use the texture map to actually move the surface point
- The geometry must be displaced before visibility is determined
- Does change geometry



## Environment mapping

Can simulate reflections by using the direction of the reflected ray to index a spherical texture map at “infinity”



## Light maps

First use a global rendered to realistically render the scene with lights, shadows, etc.

Then use the image as a color map in the illumination of real-time environments – Popular in games

## VISIBLE-SURFACE DETERMINATION

Algorithms may try to exploit “coherences” (face, frame, etc.)

Spatial organization/ subdivision may also be used

Only compare objects projected on a same cell, etc.

Generic solutions should work for “triangle soups”

Algorithms to determine which polygons go in front and which go behind during rasterization

### Back-face culling

- Allows to only draw a polygon if its normal is facing the camera
- Significant optimization

### Depth sorting/Painter’s Algorithm

1. Sort polygons according to z coordinate

2. Resolve ambiguities when polygon's z extends overlap, split polygons if needed (some scenes don't need this step)
3. "paint" polygons in order, starting from the furthest ones from the camera

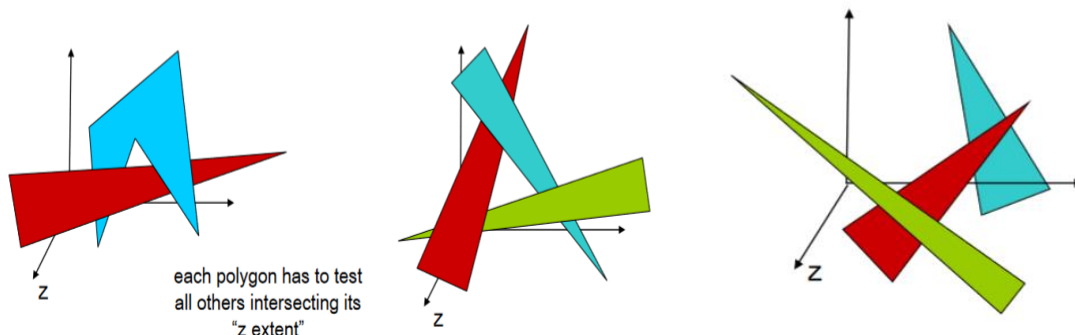


Image above needs 2<sup>nd</sup> step

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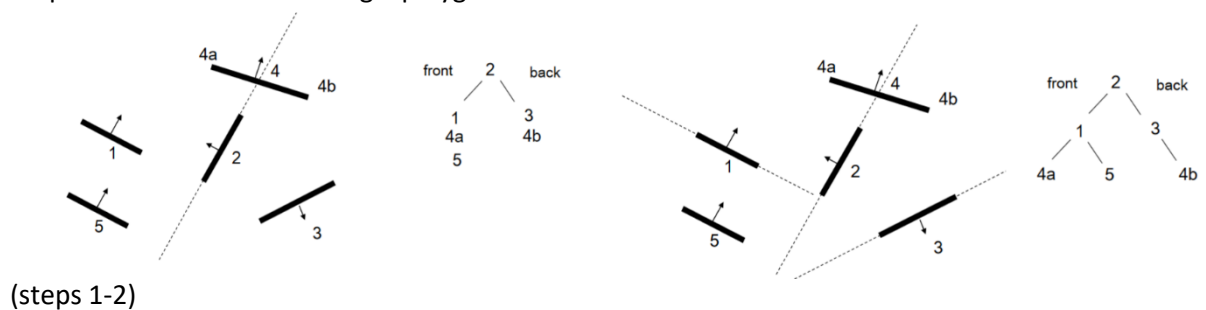
### Binary Space Partition (BSP) Trees

1. Build a tree "ordering" the polygons according to "half spaces separability"
2. Traverse the tree according to viewpoint

Works in 2D and 3D

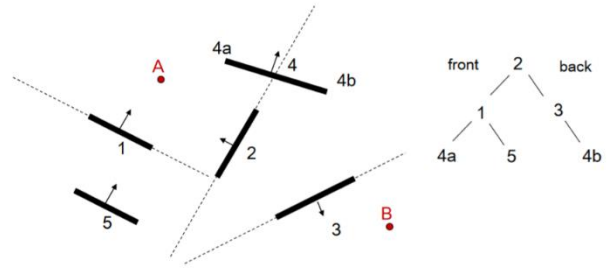
### BSP Tree construction

1. Choose a separation plane passing by a polygon and classify other polygons in front or back spaces; subdivide if needed  
**note:** normal vector of a polygon is used to define its "front"
2. Repeat for each unprocessed "front and back space"
3. Stop when each leaf has a single polygon



## BSP Tree Traversal

- Tree constructed at pre-processing
- Viewpoint can move but not polygons
  - o Tree must be reconstructed/updated every time a polygon moves
- Need to know "front" and "back" of polygons
  - o Easy determination based on normal



Pseudocode:

```

traverse ( node )
if ( node is null ) return;
if viewer in node's front half-space

```

1. traverse ( node->back );
2. display node;
3. traverse ( node->front );

else

1. traverse ( node->front );
2. display node;
3. Traverse ( node->back );

(Recursively process children of node)

A: 3, 4b, 2, 5, 1, 4a

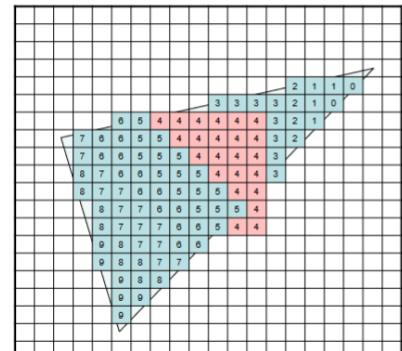
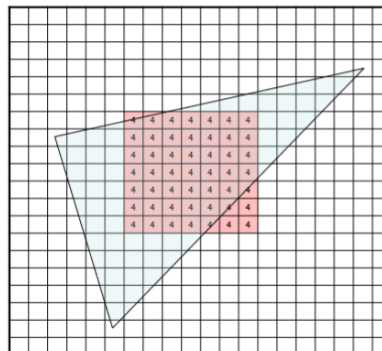
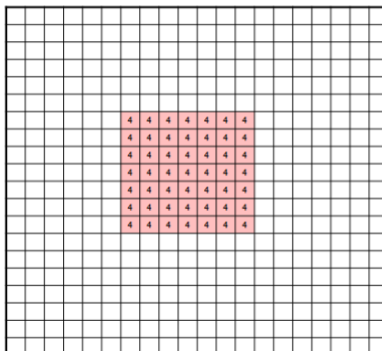
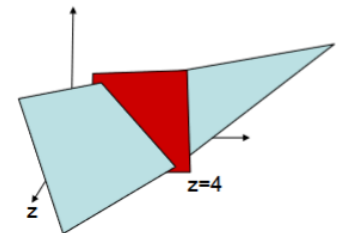
B: 5, 1, 4a, 2, 4b, 3

## Z-Buffer

No sorting, rasterize polygons in any order

But maintain a buffer

- Each pixel in the buffer stores the z-value of the respective pixel in the image
- New pixels are only displayed if their z-values are greater (closer to viewer) than previous values



Very fast, but uses some memory (but memory is cheap)

OpenGL uses Z-buffer



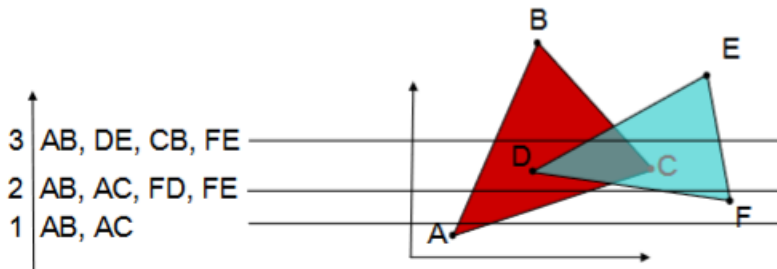
## Scan-line

“scan-line” algorithms represent an efficient and generic approach to process polygons

The scan line will change “its properties” when the next event happens

- Events are new vertices encountered on the Y direction
- All events are sorted vertically as pre-computation

Tables are used to describe events are the current scan line



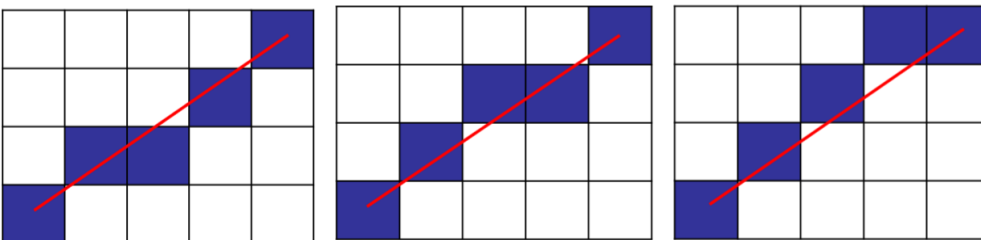
Ex:

```
for (each scan line)
{
    update active surface table;
    for (each pixel on scan line)
    {
        determine surfaces in active surface table
        projecting to current pixel;
        find closest surface among them;
        paint pixel;
    }
}
```

## RASTERIZATION

### Scan converting lines

- Determine the sequence of pixels that lie as close to the ideal line as possible
- No gaps, best approximation, consistency, etc.
- Same principle applies to other primitives such as circles, polylines, and rectangles



Incremental algorithm / DDA (digital differential analyzer)

- Given endpoints, compute slope  $m$
- Increment  $x$  by 1, starting with leftmost point
- Calculate  $y_i = mx_i + B$
- Paint pixel  $(x_i, \text{round}(y_i))$

```
void line ( int x0, int y0, int x1, int y1 )
{
    int x;
    float deltay = y1 - y0;
    float deltax = x1 - x0;
    float m = deltay / deltax;
    float y = y0;

    for ( x = x0; x <= x1; x++ )
    {
        paint ( x, round(y) ); // round(y): int(y+0.5f), y>0
        y = y + m;
    }
}
```

- Inefficient: too many floating-point operations
- Ok for most (short) lines, but can accumulate error
- Needs floating-point operations

### Bresenham

- Uses only integer arithmetic
- No round function, incremental calculation
- Applicable to circles, but not conics
- Best fit, minimizes error

### Midpoint Algorithm

```
void midpointline ( int x0, int y0, int x1, int y1 )
{
    int deltax = x1-x0;
    int deltay = y1-y0;
    int d = deltay+deltay - deltax; // initial value of d (2dy-dx)
    int incE = deltay+deltay;      // increment to move to E (2dy)
    int incNE = deltay+deltay-deltax; // inc to move to NE (2dy-2dx)
    x = x0;
    y = y0;

    paint ( x, y ); // first point

    while ( x<x1 )
    {
        if ( d<0 )
        {
            d = d + incE; // great, only integer arithmetic !!!
            x = x + 1;
        }
        else
        {
            d = d + incNE;
            x = x + 1;
            y = y + 1;
        }
        paint ( x, y ); // paint current point
    }
}
```

### Problems:

#### Endpoint order

- Ensure that  $p_0, p_1$  and  $p_1, p_0$  generates same pixels
  - o Change choice used when  $d = 0$  or
  - o Switch endpoints to ensure same result

So far, we considered integer endpoints

- Closest pixel from real points can be used
- Additional care needed when drawing clipped lines, to ensure the slope remains the same

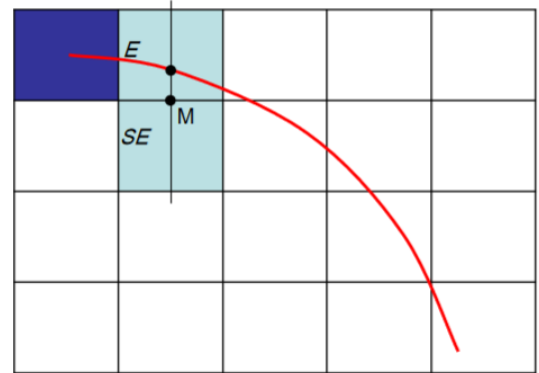
### Scan converting Circles

Circle has eight-way symmetry

CirclePaint(x,y)

```
Paint ( x, y );
Paint ( y, x );
Paint ( y, -x );
Paint ( x, -y );
Paint ( -x, -y );
Paint ( -y, -x );
Paint ( -y, x );
Paint ( -x, y );
```

Same logic as midpoint line algorithm



### Scan converting polygons

Scan line

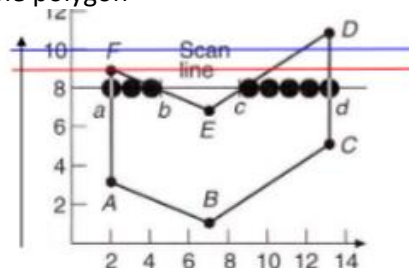
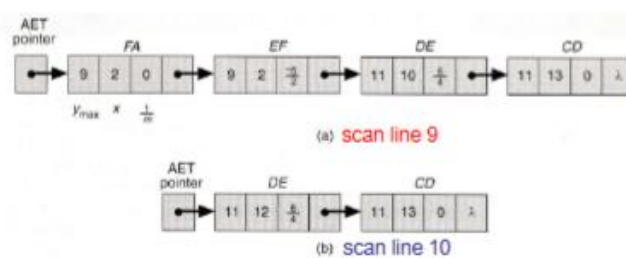
- Computes spans that lie b/n left and right edges of the polygon
- Handles convex and concave polygons
- Same midpoint technique used to calculate and update the extremes of the spans
  - o No need to calculate analytically the intersections b/n the polygon edges and the scan line

Spans are filled in 3 step process

1. Find scan line intersections with polygon edges
2. Sort intersections by increasing x
3. Fill pixels using the odd-parity rule:
  - Initially even
  - Invert on each intersection
  - Only draw when odd

### Data structure – active-edge table (AET)

- Edges sorted on their x intersection values
- Edges are inserted/removed as the scan line traverses the polygon



- global Edge Table ET containing all edges sorted by their smallest y coordinate is used to add edges

- Use Bucket sort, buckets are the number of scan lines
  - within each bucket, edges are in increasing x order of the lower endpoint
- edge table:
  - 1 bucket for each scan line, sorted by smallest y

### Problems

- Horizontal edges
- Silvers
- Calculating the intersections
- Exploiting edge coherence

### Conex polygons

Simpler to deal with these

- Easier management of scan lines
- Triangles even simpler

How to decompose arbitrary polygons in convex pieces

- Scan line algorithm for trapezoidal decomposition
- Polygon triangulation methods
  - Optimal method is  $O(n)$
- Simplest approach: triangulation by “ear cuts”
  - $O(n^2)$