## Determining and Object's Appearance

Ultimately, we're interested in modeling light transport in scene

- Light is emitted from light sources and interacts with surfaces
- on impact with an object, some is reflected and some is absorbed
- distribution of reflected light determines "finish" (matte, glossy, ...)
- composition of light arriving at eye determines what we see

Let's focus on the local interaction of light with single surface point


Incident light


## Modeling Light Sources

In general, light sources have a very complex structure

- incandescent light bulbs, the sun, CRT monitors, ...

To simplify things, we'll focus on point light sources for now

- light source is a single infinitesimal point
- emits light equally in all directions (isotropic illumination)
- outgoing light is set of rays originating at light point

Creating lights in OpenGL

- gIEnable(GL_LIGHTING) - turn on lighting of objects
- gIEnable(GL_LIGHTO) — turn on specific light
- glLight(...) - specify position, emitted light intensity, ...


## Basic Local Illumination Model

We're only interested in light that finally arrives at view point

- a function of the light \& viewing positions
- and local surface reflectance

Characterize light using RGB triples

- can operate on each channel separately


Given a point, compute intensity of reflected light

## Local Illumination physics

## Law of reflection and Snell's law of refraction



## What are we trying to model ?



## Diffuse Reflection

This is the simplest kind of reflection

- also called Lambertian reflection
- models dull, matte surfaces - materials like chalk

Ideal diffuse reflection

- scatters incoming light equally in all directions
- identical appearance from all viewing directions
- reflected intensity depends only on direction of light source

Light is reflected according to Lambert's Law

Surface

## Lambert's Law for Diffuse Reflection

Purely diffuse object


$$
\begin{aligned}
I & =I_{L} k_{d} \cos \theta \\
& =I_{L} k_{d}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{L})
\end{aligned}
$$


$I$ : resulting intensity
$I_{L}$ : light source intensity
$k_{d}:$ (diffuse) surface reflectance coefficient

$$
k_{d} \in[0,1]
$$

$\theta$ : angle between normal \& light direction

## Proof of Lambert's cosine law



## Specular Reflection

Diffuse reflection is nice, but many surfaces are shiny

- their appearance changes as the viewpoint moves
- they have glossy specular highlights (or specularities)
- because they reflect light coherently, in a preferred direction

A mirror is a perfect specular reflector

- incoming ray reflected about normal direction
- nothing reflected in any other direction


Most surfaces are imperfect specular reflectors

- reflect rays in cone about perfect reflection direction


## Phong Illumination Model

$$
\begin{aligned}
I & =I_{L} k_{d} \cos \theta+I_{L} k_{s} \cos ^{n} \phi \\
& =I_{L} k_{d}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{L})+I_{L} k_{s}(\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{v})^{n}
\end{aligned}
$$

One particular specular reflection model

- quite common in practice
- it is purely empirical
- there's no physical basis for it
$I$ : resulting intensity
$I_{L}$ : light source intensity
$k_{s}$ : (specular) surface reflectance coefficient

$$
k_{s} \in[0,1]
$$

$\phi$ : angle between viewing \& reflection direction
$n$ : "shininess" factor

## Computing $\mathbf{R}$

## All vectors unit length!!



$$
\begin{aligned}
& R=(N \cdot L) N+S \\
& S=(N \cdot L) N-L \\
& R=2 N(N+L)-L
\end{aligned}
$$

## The effect of the exponent $n$



## Comparison



## Examples of Phong Specular Model

Diffuse only

Diffuse + Specular
(shininess 5)
Diffuse + Specular (shininess 50)


## The Blinn-Torrance Specular Model

## Agrees better with experimental results

$$
I_{s}=I_{i} K_{\text {spec }}(H \cdot V)^{n}
$$

Halfway vector H

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



## Advantages of the Blinn Specular Model

- Theoritical basis
- No need to compute reflective direction R
- $\mathrm{N} \cdot \mathrm{H}$ cannot be negative if $N \cdot L>0$ and $N \cdot V>0$

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

- If the light is directional and we have orthographic projection then N*H constant



## The Ambient Glow

So far, areas not directly illuminated by any light appear black

- this tends to look rather unnatural
- in the real world, there's lots of ambient light

To compensate, we invent new light source

- assume there is a constant ambient "glow"
- this ambient glow is purely fictitious


Just add in another term to our illumination equation

$$
I=I_{L} k_{d} \cos \theta+I_{L} k_{s} \cos ^{n} \phi+I_{a} k_{a}
$$

$I_{a}$ : ambient light intensity
$k_{a}:$ (ambient) surface reflectance coefficient

## Our Three Basic Components of Illumination



Diffuse


Specular


Ambient

Combined for the Final Result


## Lights and materials

ObjectColor $r_{r}=I_{r}=I_{a_{-} r} r K_{a_{-} r}+I_{i_{-} r} K_{\text {diff_r }}(N \cdot L)+I_{i_{-}} K_{\text {spec_r } r}(R \cdot V)^{n}$
ObjectColor $_{g}=I_{g}=I_{a_{-} g} K_{a_{-} g}+I_{i_{i} g} K_{\text {diff } g}(N \cdot L)+I_{i \_g} K_{\text {spec } \_g}(R \cdot V)^{n}$
ObjectColor $_{b}=I_{b}=I_{a_{-} b} K_{a_{-} b}+I_{i_{-} b} K_{\text {dif_ } b}(N \cdot L)+I_{i_{-} b} K_{\text {spec_ } b}(R \cdot V)^{n}$

## Material properties:

$K_{a}, K_{\text {diff }} K_{\text {spec }} n$
Light properties
$I_{a}, I_{\text {diff }} I_{\text {spec }}$

## Questions

If you shine red light $(1,0,0)$ to a white object what color does the object appear to have?

What if you shine red light $(1,0,0)$ to a green object ( $0,1,0$ ) ?

What is the color of the highlight?

## Special cases

$I_{r}=I_{a_{-} r} K_{a_{-} r}+I_{i_{-} r} K_{d_{\text {dif }}^{-}} r(N \nsim L)+I_{i_{-} r} K_{\text {sppec } r}(R \rtimes)^{n}$
$I_{g}=I_{a_{-} g} K_{a_{-} g}+I_{i_{-} g} K_{\text {diff } f} g(N \times L)+I_{i_{-} g} K_{\text {spec }-g}(R \rtimes)^{n}$
$I_{b}=I_{a b} K_{a b b}+I_{i b} K_{\text {diff }_{-} b}(N \times L)+I_{i_{-} b} K_{\text {sppe_ } b}(R \rtimes)^{n}$

- What should be done if I >1?

Clamp the value of $I$ to one.

- What should be done if $\mathrm{N}^{*} \mathrm{~L}<0$ ?

Clamp the value of I to zero or flip the normal.

- How can we handle multiple light sources?

Sum the intensity of the individual contributions.

## Shading Polygons: Flat Shading

Illumination equations are evaluated at surface locations

- so where do we apply them?

We could just do it once per polygon

- fill every pixel covered by polygon with the resulting color

OpenGL — gIShadeModel(GL_FLAT)


## Shading Polygons: Gouraud Shading

Alternatively, we could evaluate at every vertex

- compute color for each covered pixel
- linearly interpolate colors over polygon


Misses details that don't fall on vertex

- specular highlights, for instance

OpenGL — gIShadeModel(GL_SMOOTH)

## Shading Polygons: Phong Shading

Don't just interpolate colors over polygons

Interpolate surface normal over polygon

- evaluate illumination equation at each pixel


OpenGL - not supported

## Defining Materials in OpenGL

Just like everything else, there is a current material

- specifies the reflectances of the objects being drawn
- reflectances (e.g., $k_{d}$ ) are RGB triples

Set current values with gIMaterial(...)

```
GLfloat tan[] = {0.8, 0.7, 0.3, 1.0};
GLfloat tan2[] = {0.4, 0.35, 0.15, 1.0};
glMaterialfv(GL_FRONT_AND_BACK, GL_AMBIENT, tan);
glMaterialfv(GL_FRONT_AND_BACK, GL_DIFFUSE, tan);
glMaterialfv(GL_FRONT_AND_BACK, GL_SPECULAR, tan2);
glMaterialf(GL_FRONT_AND_BACK, GL_SHININESS, 50.0);
```


## Defining Lights in OpenGL

A fixed set of lights are available (at least 8)

- turn them on with glEnable(GL_LIGHTx)
- set their values with glLight(...)

```
GLfloat white[] = {1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0}
GLfloat p[] = {-2.0, -3.0, 10.0, 1.0}; //w=0 for directional light
glEnable(GL_LIGHTING);
glEnable(GL_LIGHTO);
glLightModeli(GL_LIGHT_MODEL_TWO_SIDE, GL_TRUE);
glLightfv(GL_LIGHTO, GL_POSITION, p);
glLightfv(GL_LIGHTO, GL_DIFFUSE, white);
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_SPECULAR, white); // can be different
glEnable (GL_NORMALIZE); // guarantee unit normals
```


## Tricky Point about light position in OpenGL

The light position is specified in world coordinates, transformed with the current modelview matrix and stored in EYE coordinates.

- What does that mean?
- It means that if you change the position of the eye after the light position is set
GLfloat pos[4] = \{0,0,0,1\}; glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, pos) ; gluLookAt(.....) ;
The light will maintain its position with the respect to the new eye! i.e it will move with the camera.


## Example1:

## Where is the light with respect to the eye?

GLfloat pos[4] = \{0,0,0,1\};
GLfloat eye[3] $=\{0,0,10\}$;
GLfloat ref[3] = \{0,0,0\};
GLfloat up[3] $=\{0,1,0\}$;
glMatrixMode(GL_MODELVIEW) ; glLoadldentity() ;
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, pos) ; gluLookAt(eye,ref,up) ;
World?

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gIMatrixMode(GL_MODELVIEW) ;
glLoadldentity() ; // that means camera matrix identity as well glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, pos) ; // 0 with respect to
// current camera gluLookAt(eye,ref,up) ; // 0 with respect to new // camera
World?
$(0,0,10)$

## Example2:

## Where is the light with respect to the eye?

GLfloat pos[4] = \{0,0,0,1\};
GLfloat eye[3] = \{0,0,10\} ;
GLfloat ref[3] = \{0,0,0\};
GLfloat up[3] $=\{0,1,0\}$;
gIMatrixMode(GL_MODELVIEW) ; glLoadldentity() ;
gITranslatef(0,0,-10) ; glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, pos) ; gluLookAt(eye,ref,up) ;
World?

## Example3:

## Where is the light with respect to the eye?

GLfloat pos[4] = \{0,0,0,1\};
GLfloat eye[3] = \{0,0,10\} ;
GLfloat ref[3] = \{0,0,0\};
GLfloat up[3] $=\{0,1,0\}$;
glMatrixMode(GL_MODELVIEW) ; glLoadldentity() ;
gluLookAt(eye,ref,up) ; glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, pos) ; glutSwapBuffers() ;
World?

## Summarizing the Shading Model

We describe local appearance with illumination equations

- consists of a sum of set of components - light is additive
- treat each wavelength independently
- currently: diffuse, specular, and ambient terms

$$
I=I_{L} k_{d} \cos \theta+I_{L} k_{s} \cos ^{n} \phi+I_{a} k_{a}
$$

Must shade every pixel covered by polygon

- flat shading: constant color
- Gouraud shading: interpolate corner colors
- Phong shading: interpolate corner normals



## Examples



## Problems with shading algorithms

## Orientation dependence

## Silhouettes

Perspective distortion

- It happens at screen space so need to use hyperbolic interpolation
T-vertices
- If you do not have smooth normals color changes if polygon order changes
Generation of vertex normals


## Advanced concepts

## Physics-based illumination models <br> BRDF: Bidirectional reflectance function

$\rho\left(\vartheta_{i}, \varphi_{i}, \vartheta_{r}, \varphi_{r}, \lambda\right)$
$\lambda$ : light wavelength


## Illumination in Graphics Pipeline



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## Z-buffer Graphics Pipeline



## Z-buffer algorithm

for each polygon in model
project vertices of polygon onto viewing plane
for each pixel inside the projected polygon calculate pixel colour calculate pixel z-value compare pixel z-value to value stored for pixel innazenffer if pixel is closer, draw it in frame-buffer and z-buiffer end
end

## COMPLETION OF Z-buffer Graphics Pipeline



## What Have We Ignored?

Some local phenomena

- shadows - every point is illuminated by every light source
- attenuation - intensity falls off with square of distance to light
- transparent objects - light can be transmitted through surface

Global illumination

- reflections of objects in other objects
- indirect diffuse light - ambient term is just a hack

Realistic surface detail

- can make an orange sphere
- but it doesn't have the texture of the real fruit

Realistic light sources

## Global Illumination

## Computing light interface between all

 surfacesCourtesy of Henrik Wann Jensen

## Radiosity

Ray tracing


## RadiOSity (Hill: not covered. Foley \& van Dam: Ch 16.13, p. 793-806)

Physics-based (heat transfer and illumination engineering) Suited for Diffuse reflection Infinite reflections

Soft shadows


## Radiosity algorithm

> Break scene into small patches Assume uniform reflection and emission per patch

Energy balance for all patches:
Light leaving surface=emitted light + reflected light

## Notation

- Flux: energy per unit time (W)
- Radiosity B: exiting flux density (W/m^2)
- E: exiting flux density for light sources
- Reflectivity R: fraction of incoming light reflected (unitless)
- Form factor Fij: fraction of energy leaving Ai and arriving at Aj determined by the geometry of polygons i and j

Energy balance

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \underset{\text { surface }}{\text { light leaving }}=\underset{\underset{\text { light }}{\text { emitted }}}{\text { light }}+\underset{\text { light }}{\text { reflect }} \\
& B_{i} A_{i j}=E_{i} A_{i j}+B_{i} \sum_{j} B_{j} F_{j i} A_{j} \\
& B_{i}=E_{i}+F_{i} \sum_{j} E_{j} F_{j i} \frac{A_{j}}{A_{i}} \\
& F_{j i} A_{j}=F_{i j} A_{i} \\
& B_{i}=E_{i}+B_{i} \sum_{j} B_{j} F_{i j}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Linear system

$$
\left[\begin{array}{c}
E_{1} \\
E_{2} \\
\cdots \\
E_{n}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
1-R_{1} F_{11} & \cdots & -R_{1} F_{1 n} \\
-R_{2} F_{21} & \cdots & -R_{2} F_{2 n} \\
\cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\
-R_{n} F_{n 1} & \cdots & 1-R_{n} F_{n n}
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
B_{1} \\
B_{2} \\
\cdots \\
B_{n}
\end{array}\right]
$$

Matrix o( $\left.n^{\wedge} 2\right)$
Form-factor computing
Constant radiosity patches

## Example: The Cornell scene



## Radiosity summary

Object space algorithm
Suited for diffuse reflections
Nice soft-shadows

