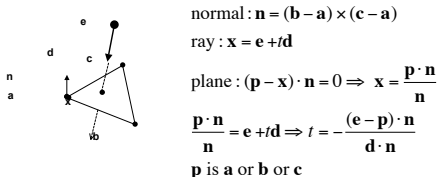




Ray-Triangle Intersection

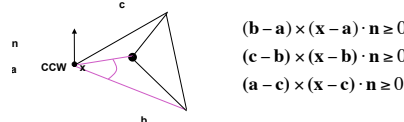
- method in book is elegant but a bit complex
- easier approach: triangle is just a polygon
 - intersect ray with plane



- check if ray inside triangle

Ray-Triangle Intersection

- check if ray inside triangle
 - check if point counterclockwise from each edge (to its left)
 - check if cross product points in same direction as normal (i.e. if dot is positive)



- more details at <http://www.cs.cornell.edu/courses/cs465/2003fa/homeworks/raytri.pdf>

Ray Tracing

- issues:
 - generation of rays
 - intersection of rays with geometric primitives
 - geometric transformations
 - lighting and shading
 - efficient data structures so we don't have to test intersection with every object

Geometric Transformations

- similar goal as in rendering pipeline:
 - modeling scenes more convenient using different coordinate systems for individual objects
- problem
 - not all object representations are easy to transform
 - problem is fixed in rendering pipeline by restriction to polygons, which are affine invariant
 - ray tracing has different solution
 - ray itself is always affine invariant
 - thus: transform ray into object coordinates!

Geometric Transformations

- ray transformation
 - for intersection test, it is only important that ray is in same coordinate system as object representation
 - transform all rays into object coordinates
 - transform camera point and ray direction by inverse of model/view matrix
 - shading has to be done in world coordinates (where light sources are given)
 - transform object space intersection point to world coordinates
 - thus have to keep both world and object-space ray

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Local Lighting

- local surface information (normal...)
 - for implicit surfaces $F(x,y,z)=0$: normal $\mathbf{n}(x,y,z)$ can be easily computed at every intersection point using the gradient

$$\mathbf{n}(x,y,z) = \begin{pmatrix} \partial F(x,y,z) / \partial x \\ \partial F(x,y,z) / \partial y \\ \partial F(x,y,z) / \partial z \end{pmatrix}$$
 - example: $F(x,y,z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - r^2$

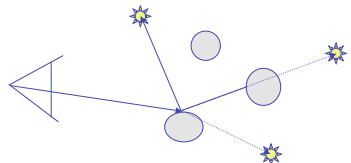
$$\mathbf{n}(x,y,z) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ 2y \\ 2z \end{pmatrix} \text{ needs to be normalized!}$$

Local Lighting

- local surface information
 - alternatively: can interpolate per-vertex information for triangles/meshes as in rendering pipeline
 - now easy to use Phong shading!
 - as discussed for rendering pipeline
 - difference with rendering pipeline:
 - interpolation cannot be done incrementally
 - have to compute barycentric coordinates for every intersection point (e.g plane equation for triangles)

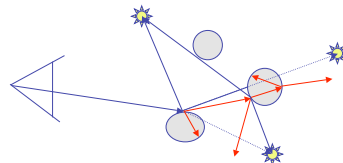
Global Shadows

- approach
 - to test whether point is in shadow, send out **shadow rays** to all light sources
 - if ray hits another object, the point lies in shadow



Global Reflections/Refractions

- approach
 - send rays out in reflected and refracted direction to gather incoming light
 - that light is multiplied by local surface color and added to result of local shading

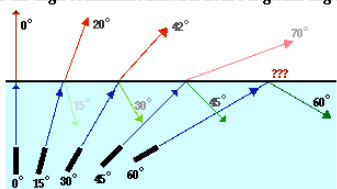


Advanced Phenomena

- Can (not always efficiently) simulate
 - Soft Shadows
 - Fog
 - Frequency Dependent Light (diamonds & prisms)
 - Barely handle S*DS*
 - S - Specular
 - D - diffuse

Total Internal Reflection

As the angle of incidence increases from 0 to greater angles ...



...the refracted ray becomes dimmer (there is less refraction)
 ...the reflected ray becomes brighter (there is more reflection)
 ...the angle of refraction approaches 90 degrees until finally a refracted ray can no longer be seen.

Ray Tracing

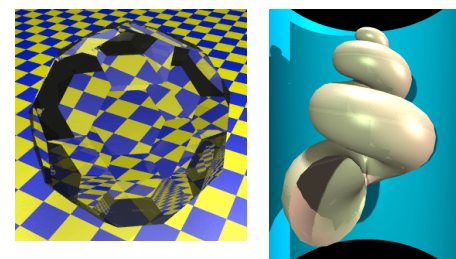
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Optimized Ray-Tracing

- basic algorithm simple but **very** expensive
- optimize by reducing:
 - number of rays traced
 - number of ray-object intersection calculations
- methods
 - bounding volumes: boxes, spheres
 - spatial subdivision
 - uniform
 - BSP trees
- (more on this later with collision)



Example Images



Radiosity

- radiosity definition
 - rate at which energy emitted or reflected by a surface
- radiosity methods
 - capture diffuse-diffuse bouncing of light
 - indirect effects difficult to handle with raytracing



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Radiosity

- illumination as radiative heat transfer
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 - conserve light energy in a volume
 - model light transport as packet flow until convergence
 - solution captures diffuse-diffuse bouncing of light
- view-independent technique
 - calculate solution for entire scene offline
 - browse from any viewpoint in realtime

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Radiosity

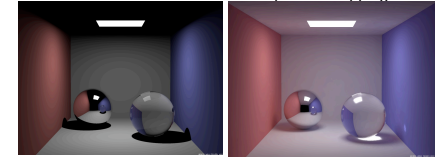
- divide surfaces into small patches
- loop: check for light exchange between all pairs
 - form factor: orientation of one patch wrt other patch ($n \times n$ matrix)



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Better Global Illumination

- ray-tracing: great specular, approx. diffuse
 - view dependent
- radiosity: great diffuse, specular ignored
 - view independent, mostly-enclosed volumes
- photon mapping: superset of raytracing and radiosity
 - view dependent, handles both diffuse and specular well

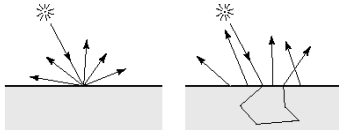


graphics.ucsd.edu/~henrik/images/cbox.html

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Subsurface Scattering: Translucency

- light enters and leaves at *different* locations on the surface
 - bounces around inside
- technical Academy Award, 2003
 - Jensen, Marschner, Hanrahan



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Subsurface Scattering: Marble



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Subsurface Scattering: Milk vs. Paint



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Subsurface Scattering: Skin



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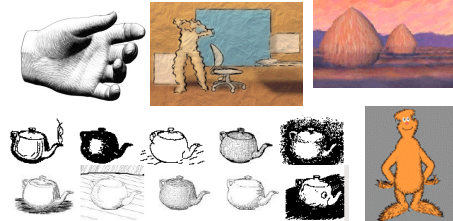
Subsurface Scattering: Skin



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Non-Photorealistic Rendering

- simulate look of hand-drawn sketches or paintings, using digital models

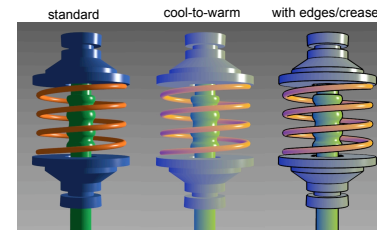


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Non-Photorealistic Shading

- cool-to-warm shading

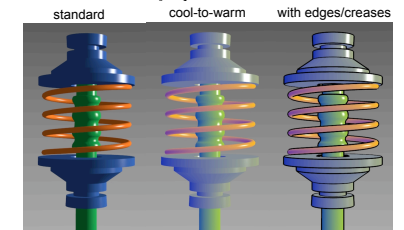


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Non-Photorealistic Shading

- draw silhouettes: if $(\mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{n}_o)(\mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{n}_i) \leq 0$, \mathbf{e} =edge-eye vector
- draw creases: if $(\mathbf{n}_o \cdot \mathbf{n}_i) \leq \text{threshold}$



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Image-Based Modelling and Rendering

- store and access only pixels
 - no geometry, no light simulation, ...
 - input: set of images
 - output: image from new viewpoint
 - surprisingly large set of possible new viewpoints
 - interpolation allows translation, not just rotation
 - lightfield, lumigraph: translate outside convex hull of object
 - QuickTimeVR: camera rotates, no translation
 - can point camera in or out



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