

Information Coding / Computer Graphics, ISY, LiTH

Lecture 4

3D graphics part 2

Today's topics:

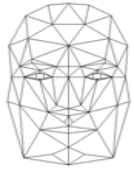
Object representation (intro)

Visible surface detection (intro):

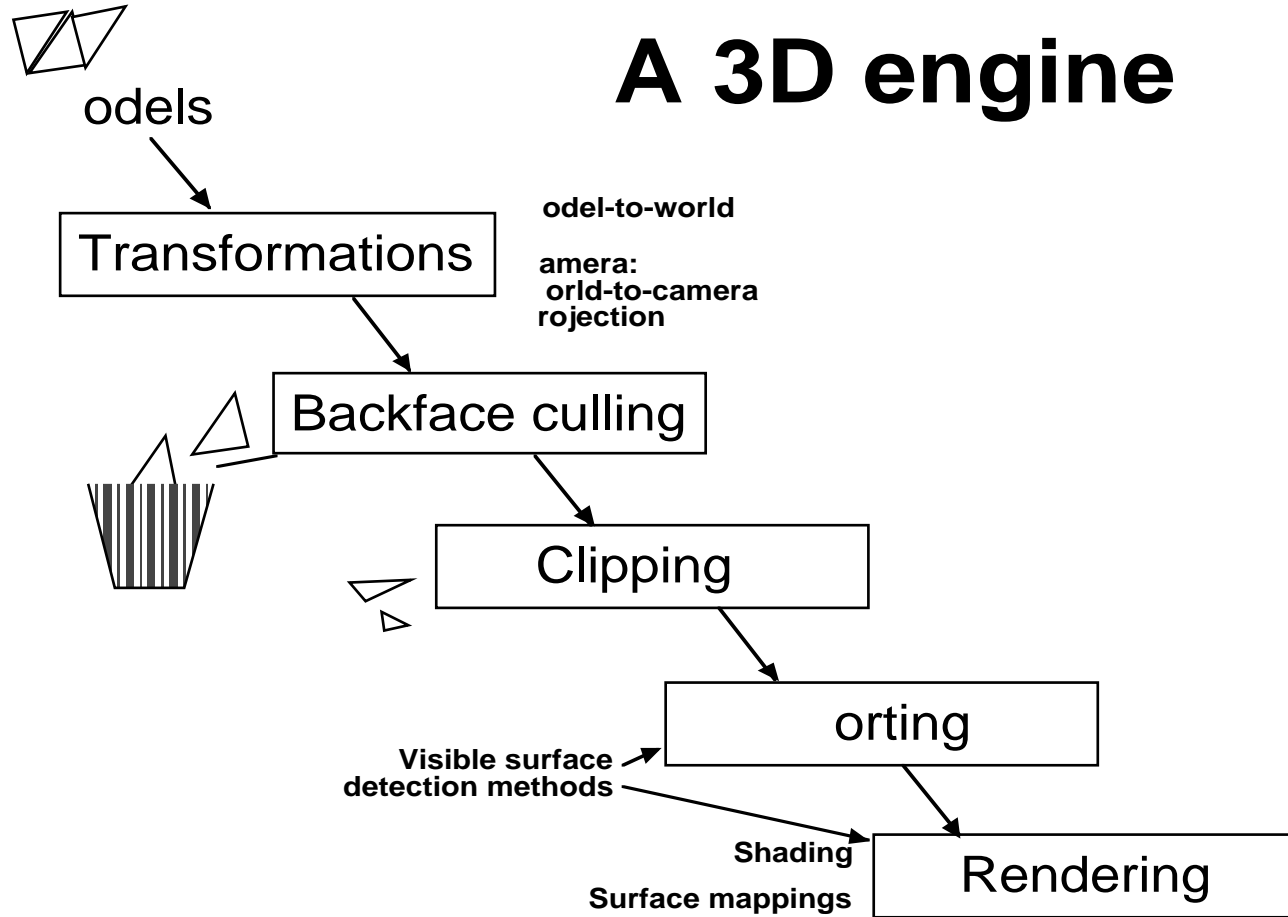
Z-buffer

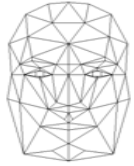
Back-face culling

Illumination models, lighting



A 3D engine

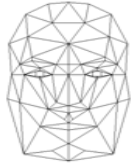




3D object representation

**Most common for real-time:
Polygon surfaces**

- **Supported by graphics accelerators**
 - **Easy to handle**
 - **Not very space efficient**
 - **Often triangle-based**



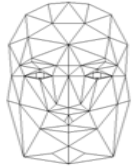
How do we store that?

First try: A simple format

Vertex = (x, y, z)

Triangle = array of Vertex

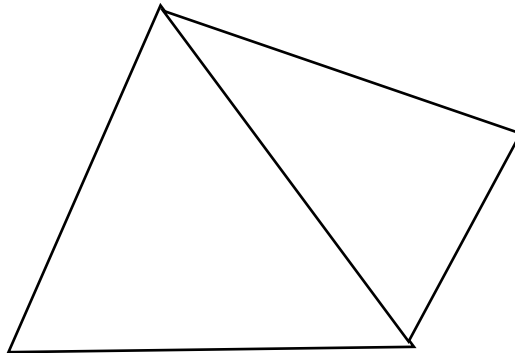
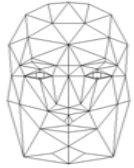
3DObject = array of Triangle



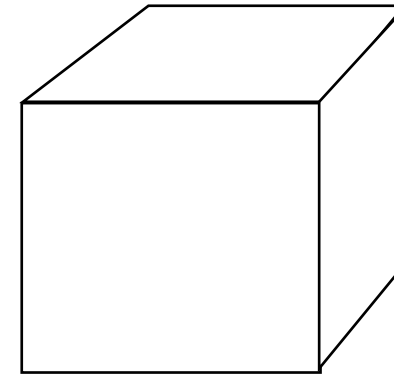
Example

Triangle[1]: (10, 10, 10), (10, 20, 10) (10, 20, 20)
Triangle[2]: (10, 10, 10), (10, 20, 10), (10, 10, 20)
Triangle[3]: (. . .), (. . .), (. . .)
. . .

...but why is this not quite good?

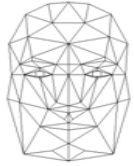


Pyramid:
4 triangles
4 corners
12 vertices!



Cube:
6 squares or 12 triangles
8 corners
24 or 36 vertices!

Several times too many vertices to process!



A better format

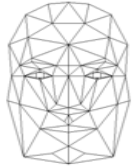
Vertex = (x, y, z)

Vertex table = array of Vertex

Triangle = array of integers

Triangle table = array of Triangles

3DObject = Vertex table + Triangle table



Example

Vertex table:

(10, 10, 10)

(10, 20, 10)

(10, 20, 20)

(10, 10, 20)

...

**All vertices in the
object in one list**

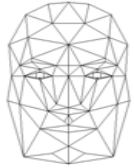
Triangle table:

(1, 2, 3)

(1, 2, 4)

...

**Indexes to the
vertex table**

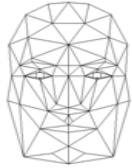


Modelling in OpenGL

```
Lfloat vertices[] ={{-1,-1,-1}, {1,-1,-1}, {1,1,-1}, {-1,1,-1},{-1,-1,1}, {1,-1,1}, {1,1,1}, {-1,1,1}};
```

```
Lubyte cubeIndices[24] ={0,3,2,1, 2,3,7,6, 0,4,7,3, 2,6,5, 4,5,6,7, 0,1,5,4};
```

IDrawElements can draw the entire shape with one call (almost)!



Models on disk

Wavefront .obj format. Simple, text-based mesh format. Example: A cube:

Exported from Wings 3D 0.98.26b

tllib cube.mtl

cube1

8 vertices, 6 faces

```
-1.00000000 -1.00000000 1.00000000  
-1.00000000 1.00000000 1.00000000  
1.00000000 1.00000000 1.00000000  
1.00000000 -1.00000000 1.00000000  
-1.00000000 -1.00000000 -1.00000000  
-1.00000000 1.00000000 -1.00000000  
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```

Vertex list

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n -0.57735027 -0.57735027 0.57735027  
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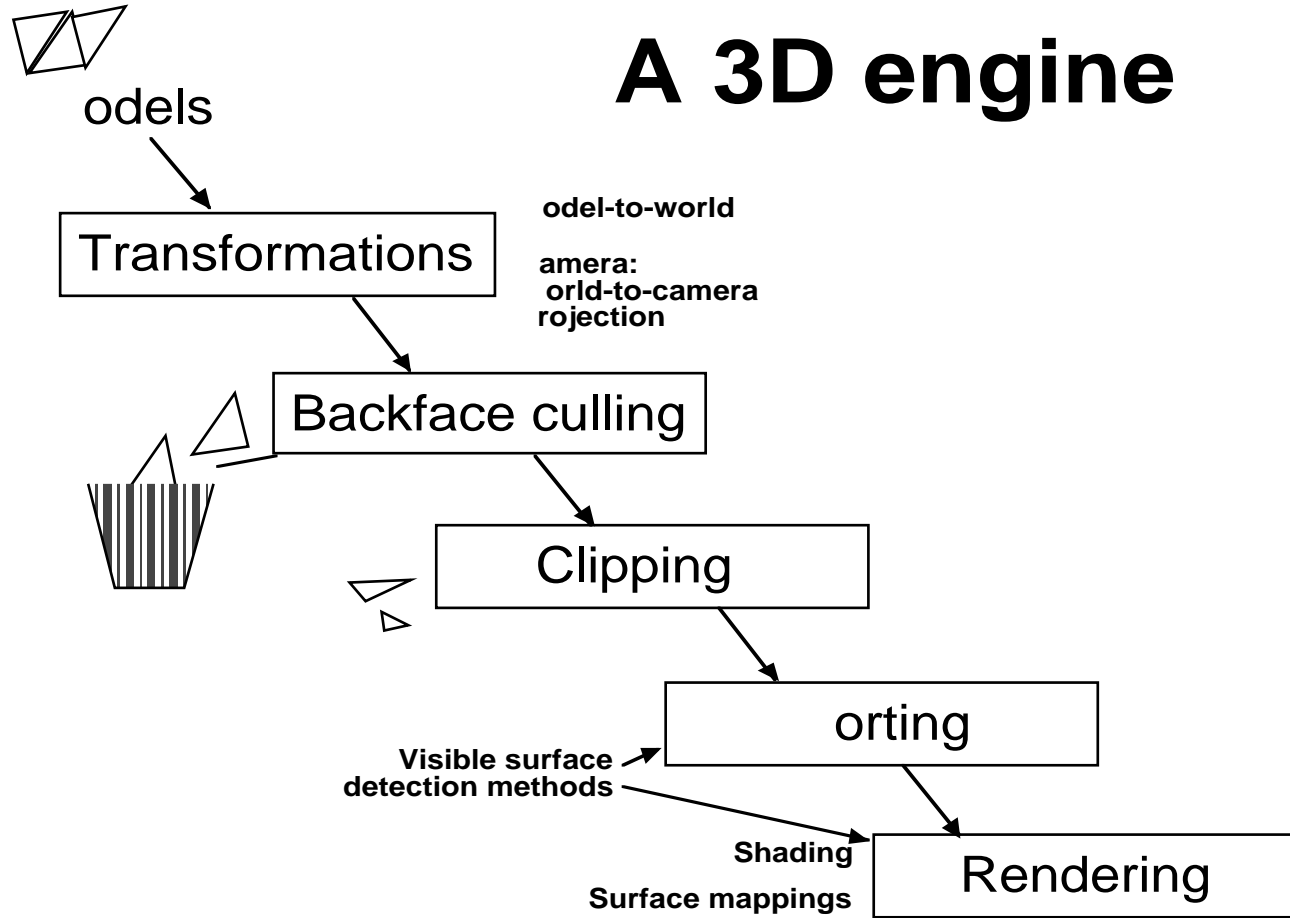
Normal vectors list

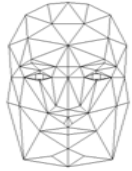
```
cube1_default  
semtl default  
3//3 2//2 1//1 4//4  
5//5 1//1 2//2 6//6  
6//6 2//2 3//3 7//7  
7//7 3//3 4//4 8//8  
8//8 4//4 1//1 5//5  
8//8 5//5 6//6 7//7
```

Polygon list



A 3D engine

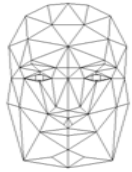




Detection of visible surfaces

backface culling
-buffer
Painter's algorithm
SP trees
scan-line method

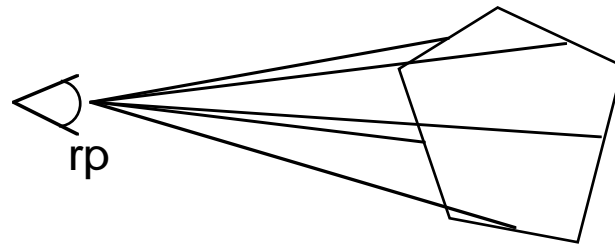
ray-casting
-buffer
area subdivision
octrees
portals



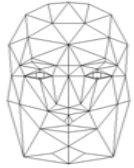
Backface culling

object space method

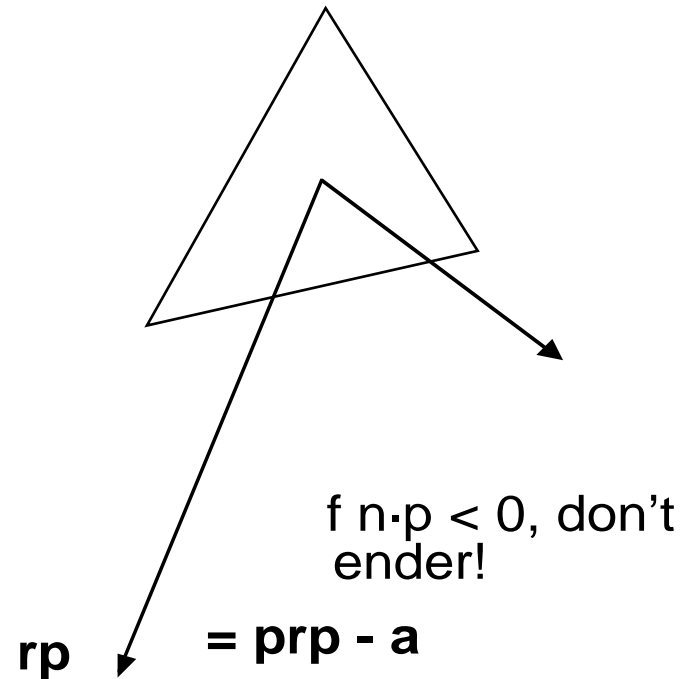
remove all polygons that are “looking away”
from the camera

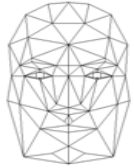


**removes $\approx 50\%$ of all polygons that would
otherwise be in view.**

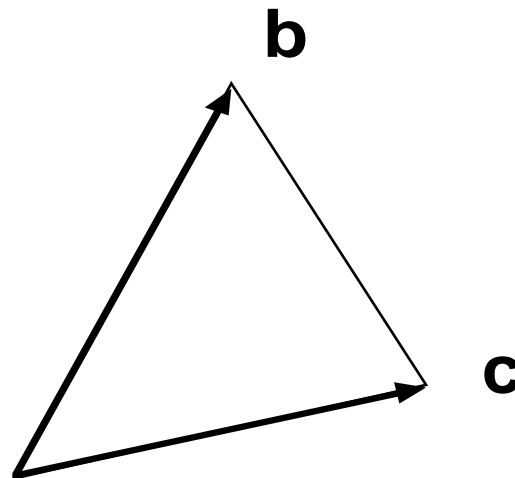


Backface culling in camera (view) space

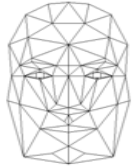




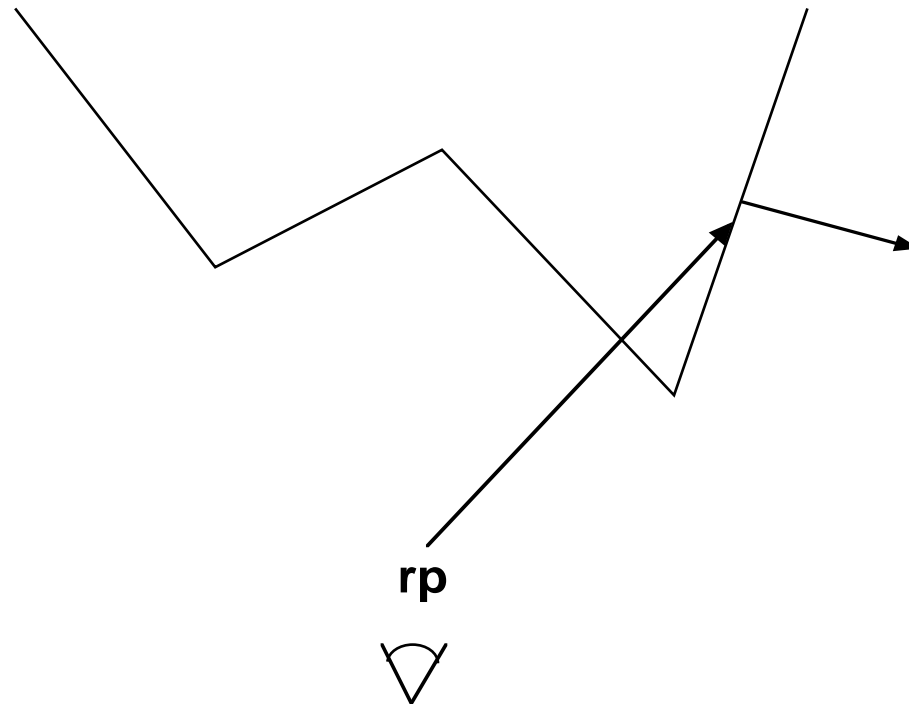
Backface culling in screen space

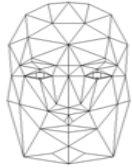


**Cross product produces a z component
If $z < 0$, don't render!**



You can not take the z component in camera space (viewing coordinates)!





Z-buffer

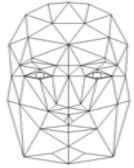
Depth-buffer method

image-space method

"Z" since we usually look along Z axis.

An extra "depth image" buffer is used, the Z buffer.

The Z buffer holds a Z value for every pixel in the image. The Z value corresponds to the nearest object written so far, that has touched that pixel.



Z-buffer algorithm

initialize Z-buffer to infinite distance and the image buffer to background.

or each polygon

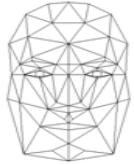
 for each pixel (x,y) in the polygon

 calculate z value

 if z closer than the current z-buffer value $Z(x,y)$

 write pixel to image (x,y)

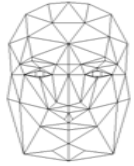
 write z to z-buffer $Z(x,y)$



Calculation of Z

values must survive the projection - as specified in previous lecture

values are calculated for each vertex and interpolated over the surface



Culling and Z-buffer in OpenGL

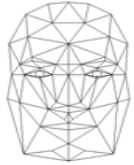
```
IEnable(GL_CULL_FACE);
```

```
ICullFace(GL_BACK);  
ICullFace(GL_FRONT);
```

initialize context with depth buffer, e.g. GLUT_DEPTH

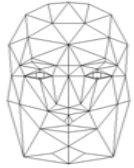
```
IEnable(GL_DEPTH_TEST);
```

```
IClear(GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT);
```



When will culling + Z-buffering not be enough?

- **Can not handle transparency**
- **High-level methods are needed to reduce the amount of data, to avoid passing unseen surfaces to the OpenGL pipeline**



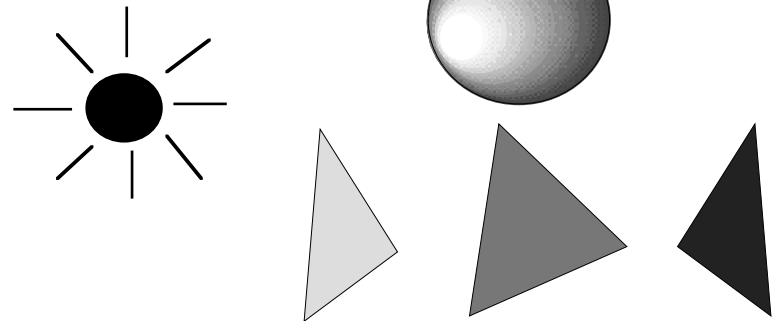
Illumination

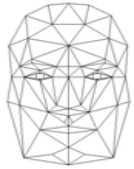
We know *where* to put a polygon. Now, *what* should we fill it with? What pixel value should we choose?

Several factors to take into account. The most important ones:

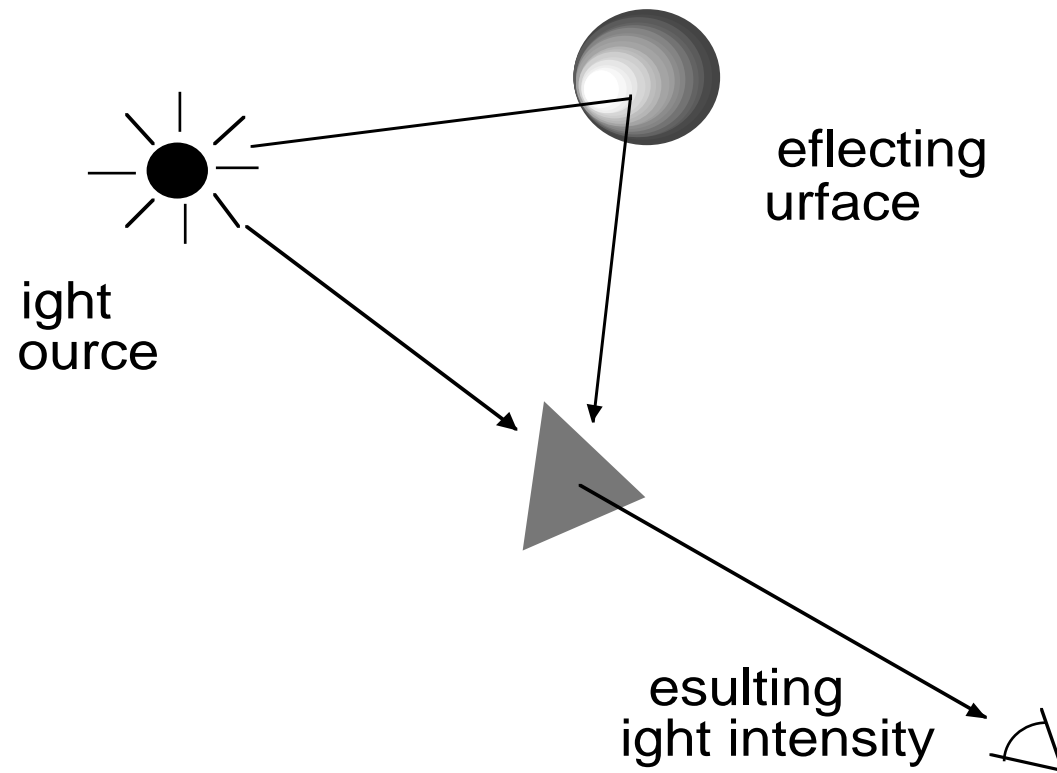
Shading, illumination.
Texture mapping.

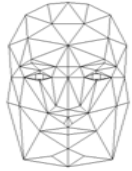
Shading is determined according to an *illumination model*.



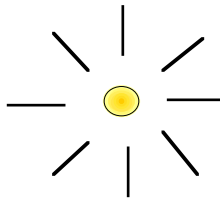


Light sources





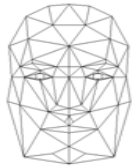
Light sources



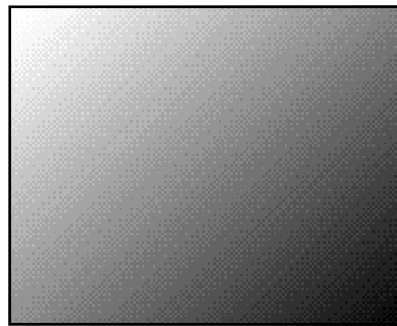
small sources can
be modelled
**point light
source**



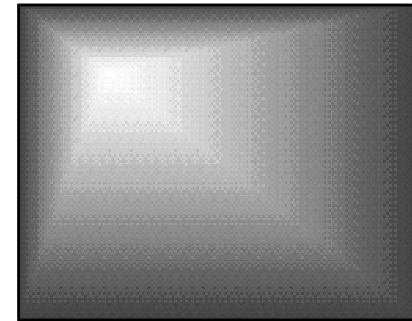
these can be modelled
**distributed light
sources**



Reflections



diffuse reflection



specular reflection

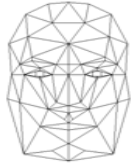


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irror



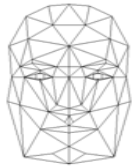
3-component illumination model

A common simple illumination model is
built from three components:

Ambient light

Diffuse reflections

Specular reflections



Ambient light

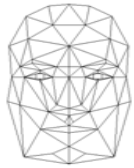
Same everywhere!

$$I_{\text{amb}} = k_d * I_a$$

light emitted
from surface

diffuse
reflectivity

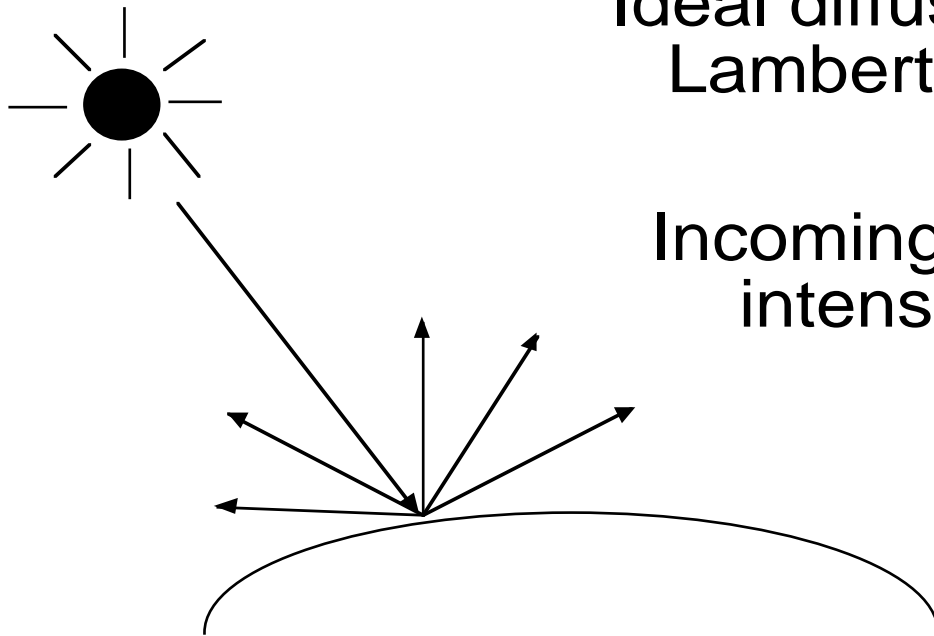
ambient light
level of scene

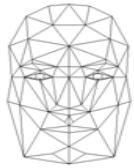


Diffuse reflections

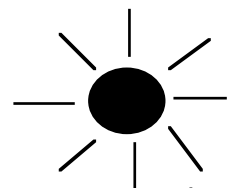
Ideal diffuse reflector =
Lambertian surface

Incoming light produces same
intensity in all directions!





Lambert's cosine law



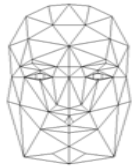
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$$I_{\text{diff}} = k_d * I_l * \cos \theta$$

light emitted
from surface

diffuse
reflectivity

light level
of light
source

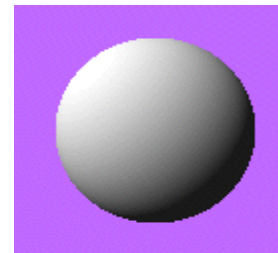


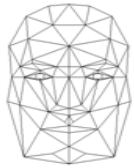
Example: Diffuse sphere

$$k_d = 1$$

$$l_l = 0.9$$

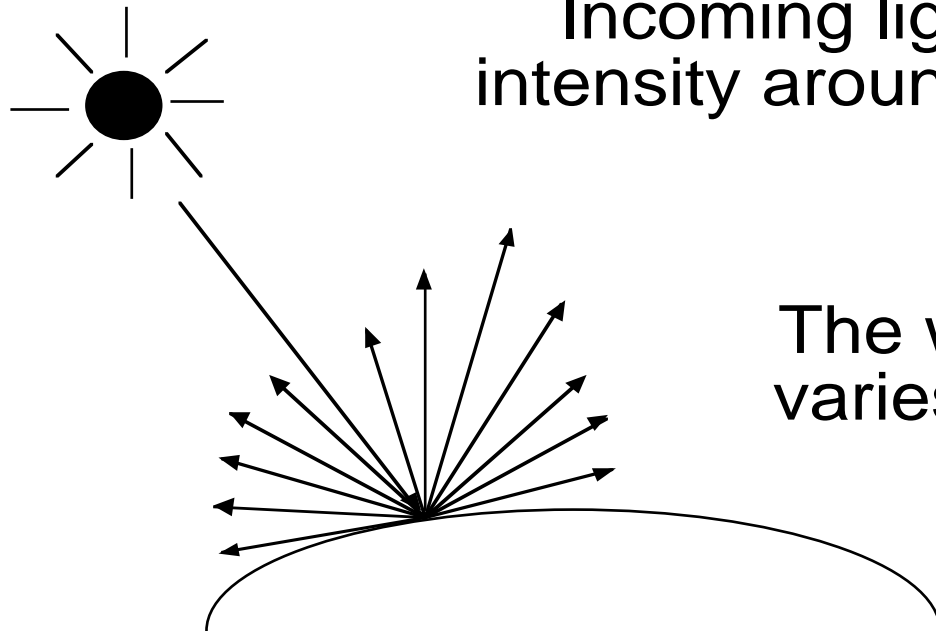
$$l_a = 0.1$$



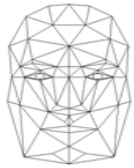


Specular reflections

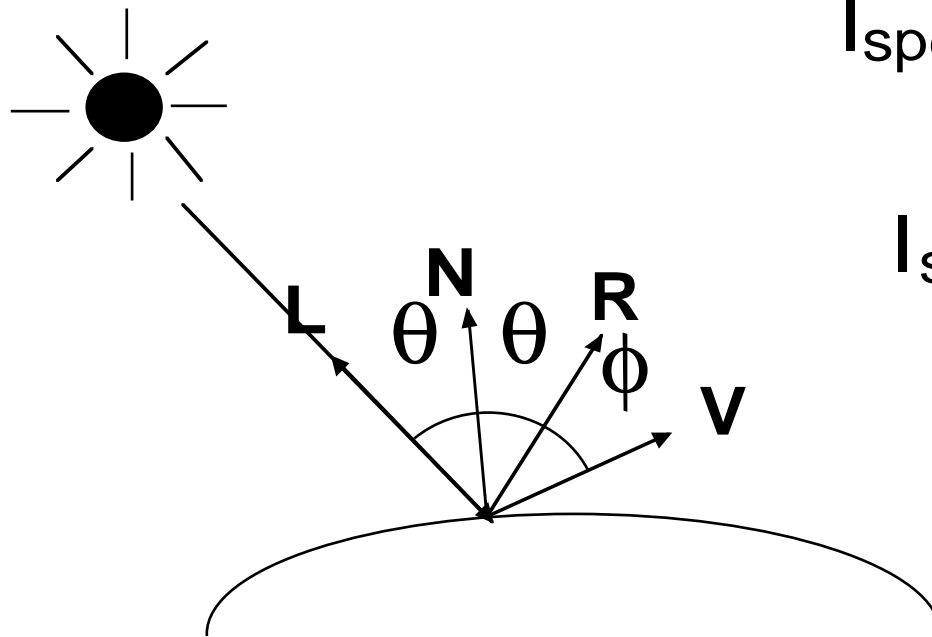
Incoming light produces higher intensity around the mirroring angle!



The width of the highlight varies with surface types!



The Phong model

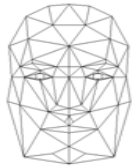


$$I_{\text{spec}} = W(\theta) * I_l * \cos^n \phi$$

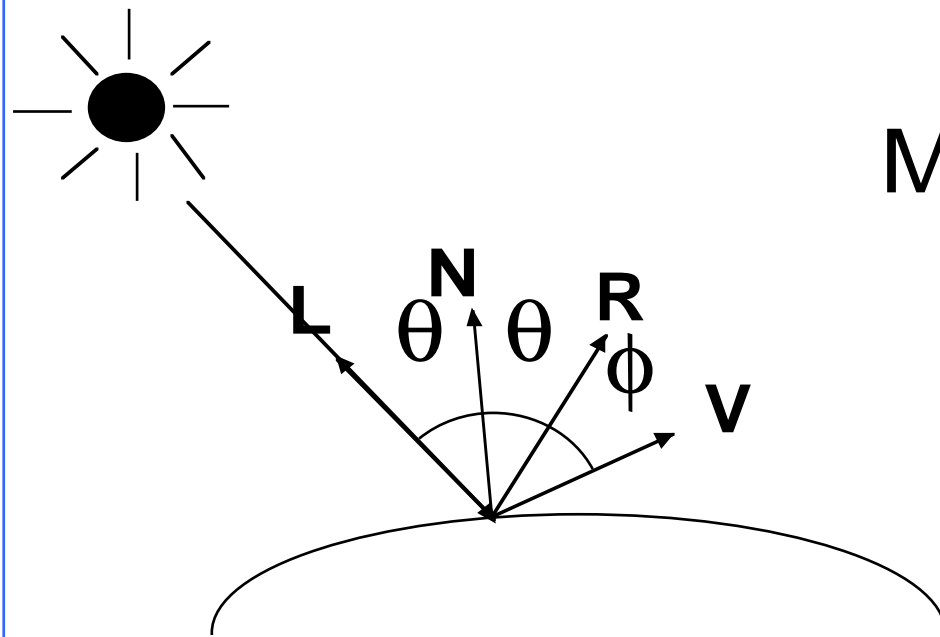
or

$$I_{\text{spec}} = k_s * I_l * \cos^n \phi$$

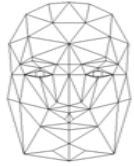
$$\cos \phi = R \cdot V$$



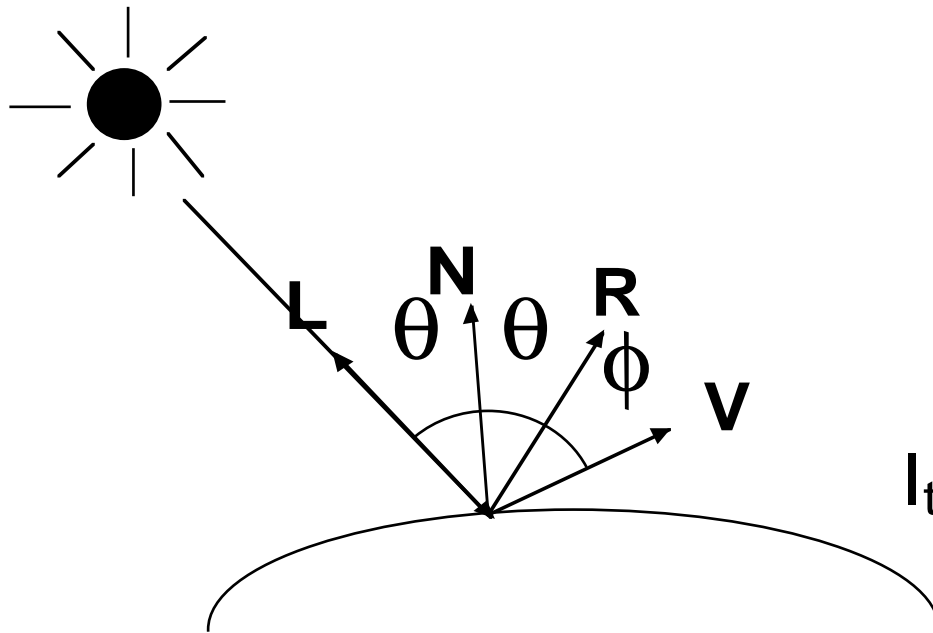
Calculation of R



Mirror L by N!



Total contribution from one surface

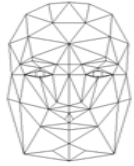


$$I_{\text{amb}} = k_d * I_a$$

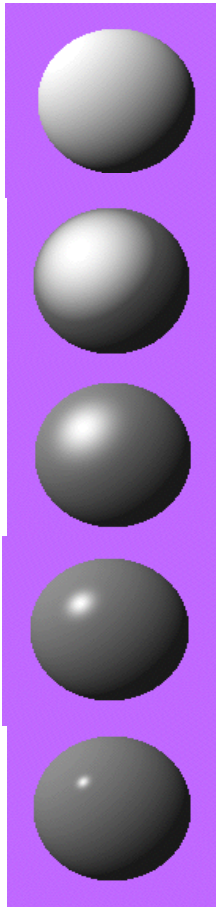
$$I_{\text{diff}} = k_d * I_l * \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{N}$$

$$I_{\text{spec}} = k_s * I_l * (\mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{V})^n$$

$$I_{\text{total}} = I_{\text{amb}} + I_{\text{diff}} + I_{\text{spec}}$$



Examples



diffuse surface, $k_d = 0.9$

peculiar surface, $n = 1$

peculiar surface, $n = 5$

peculiar surface, $n = 25$

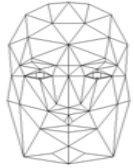
peculiar surface, $n = 125$

$$d = 0.45$$

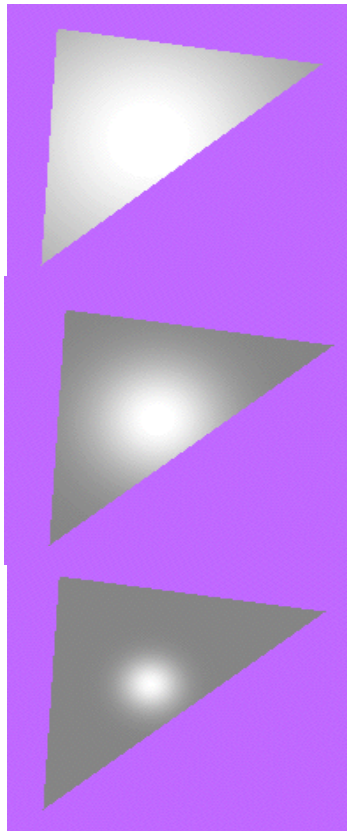
$$s = 0.5$$

$$l = 1.0$$

$$a = 0.1$$



Examples

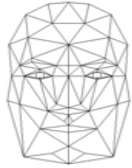


peculiar surface, $n = 5$

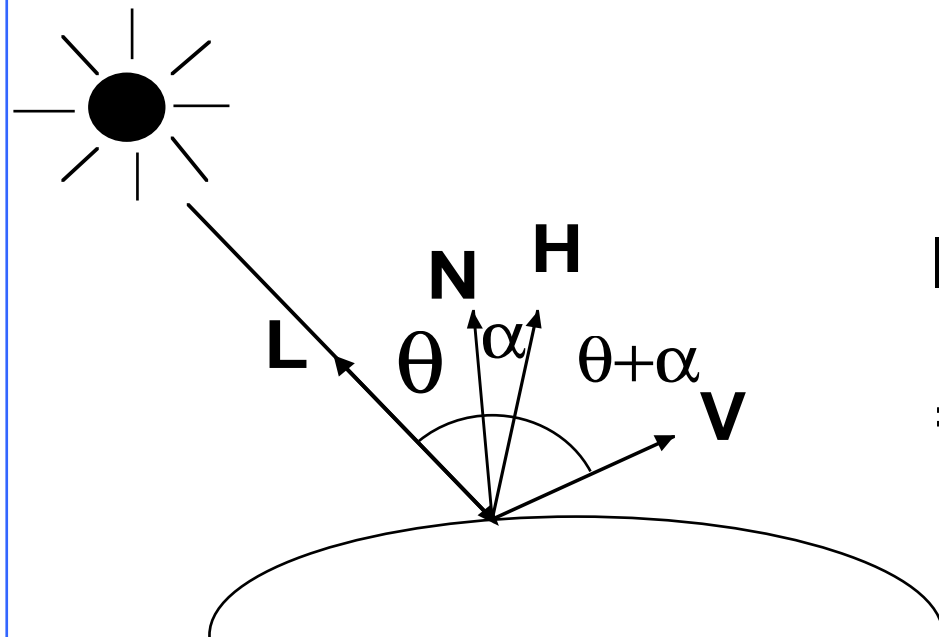
peculiar surface, $n = 25$

peculiar surface, $n = 125$

$$\begin{aligned}d &= 0.45 \\s &= 0.5 \\l &= 1.0 \\a &= 0.1\end{aligned}$$



Alternative formulation



Halfway vector

$$\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{L} + \mathbf{V}) / |\mathbf{L} + \mathbf{V}|$$

$$I_{\text{spec}} = k_s * I_l * \cos^n \alpha =$$

$$= I_{\text{spec}} = k_s * I_l * (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{H})$$