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Physically-Based Shading Models



- Phong model produces pretty pictures
- Cons: empirical (fudged?) ($\cos^\alpha \phi$), plastic look
- Shaders can implement better lighting/shading models
- Big trend towards Physically-based lighting models
- Physically-based?
 - Based on physics of how light interacts with actual surface
 - Apply Optics/Physics theories
- Classic: Cook-Torrance shading model (TOGS 1982)



Cook-Torrance Shading Model

- Same ambient and diffuse terms as Phong
- New, better specular component than $(\cos^\alpha \phi)$,

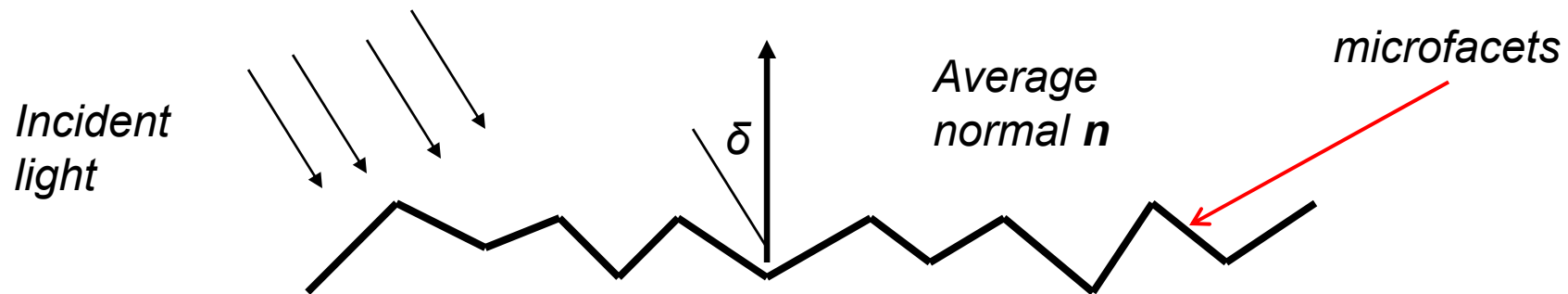
$$\cos^\alpha \phi \rightarrow \frac{F(\phi, \eta)DG}{(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{v})}$$

- Where
 - D - Distribution term
 - G – Geometric term
 - F – Fresnel term



Distribution Term, D

- **Idea:** surfaces consist of small V-shaped **microfacets (grooves)**

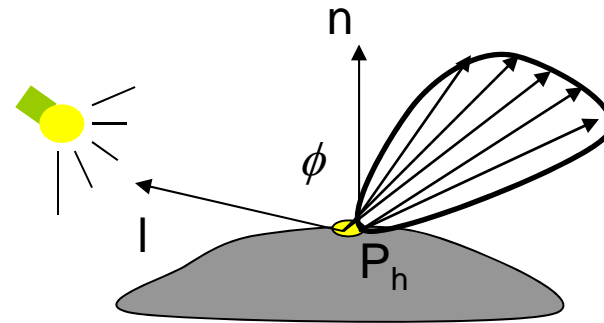
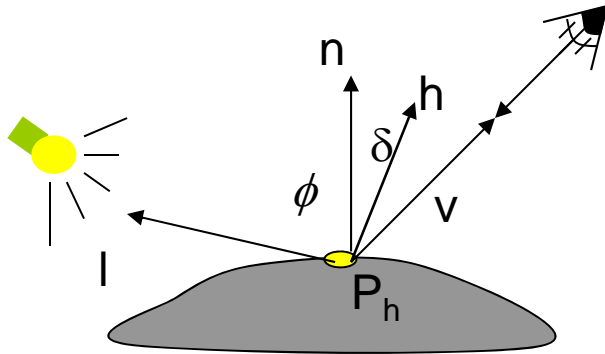


- Many grooves at each surface point
- Grooves facing a direction contribute
- $D(\delta)$ term: what fraction of grooves facing each angle δ
- E.g. half of grooves at hit point face 30 degrees, etc



Cook-Torrance Shading Model

- Define angle δ as deviation of \mathbf{h} from surface normal
- Only microfacets with pointing along halfway vector, $\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{v}$, contributes



- Can use old Phong cosine ($\cos^n \phi$), as D
- Use Beckmann distribution instead

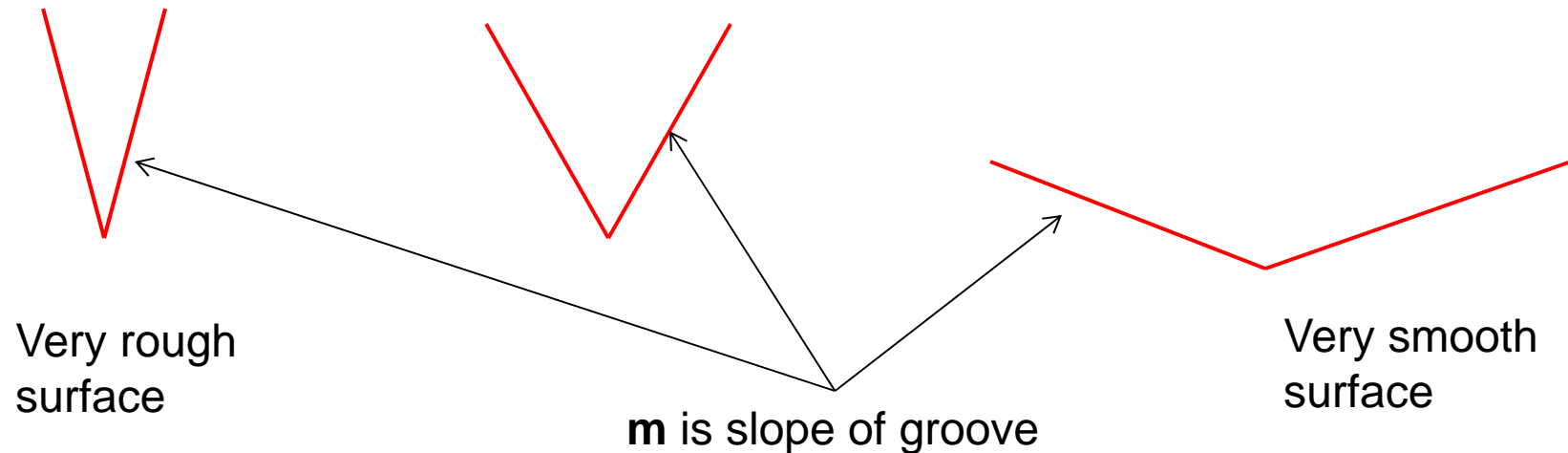
$$D(\delta) = \frac{1}{4\mathbf{m}^2 \cos^4(\delta)} e^{-\left(\frac{\tan(\delta)}{\mathbf{m}}\right)^2}$$

- \mathbf{m} expresses roughness of surface. How?



Cook-Torrance Shading Model

- m is Root-mean-square (RMS) of **slope** of V-groove
- $m = 0.2$ for nearly smooth
- $m = 0.6$ for very rough





Self-Shadowing (G Term)

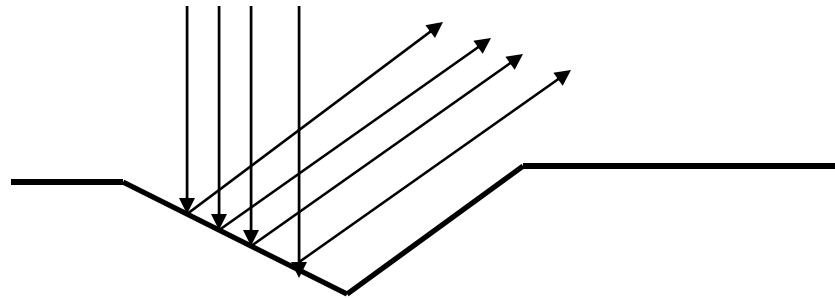
- Some grooves on extremely rough surface may block other grooves





Geometric Term, G

- Surface may be so rough that interior of grooves is blocked from light by edges
- Self blocking known as **shadowing** or **masking**
- Geometric term G accounts for this
- Break G into 3 cases:
- G, case a: No self-shadowing (light in-out unobstructed)

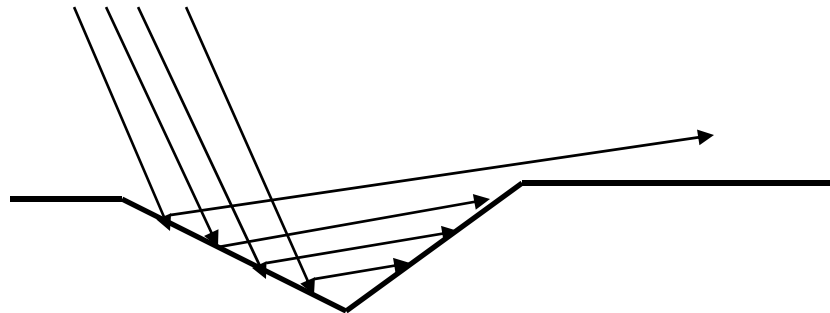


- Mathematically, $G = 1$



Geometric Term, G

- G_m , case b: No blocking on entry, blocking of exiting light (**masking**)



- Mathematically,

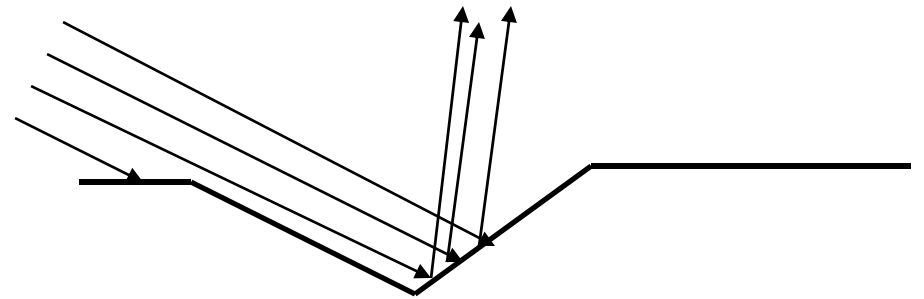
$$G_m = \frac{2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{h})(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{h})}{\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{s}}$$



Geometric Term, G

- G_s , case c: blocking of incident light, no blocking of exiting light (**shadowing**)
- Mathematically,

$$G_s = \frac{2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{h})(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{h})}{\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{s}}$$



- G term is minimum of 3 cases, hence

$$G = (1, G_m, G_s)$$



Fresnel Term, F

- So, again recall that specular term

$$spec = \frac{F(\phi, \eta) DG}{(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{v})}$$

- Microfacets not perfect mirrors
- F term, $F(\phi, \eta)$ gives fraction of incident light reflected

$$F = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(g - c)^2}{(g + c)^2} \left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{c(g + c) - 1}{c(g - c) - 1} \right)^2 \right\}$$

F is function of material
and incident angle

- where $c = \cos(\phi) = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{s}$ and $g^2 = \eta^2 + c^2 + 1$
- ϕ is incident angle, η is refractive index of material

Other Physically-Based BRDF Models



- Oren-Nayar – Diffuse term changed not specular
- Aishikhminn-Shirley – Grooves not v-shaped. Other Shapes
- Microfacet generator (Design your own microfacet)

BV BRDF Viewer



BRDF viewer (View distribution of light bounce)

The screenshot displays the BV BRDF Viewer interface, which is divided into several panels:

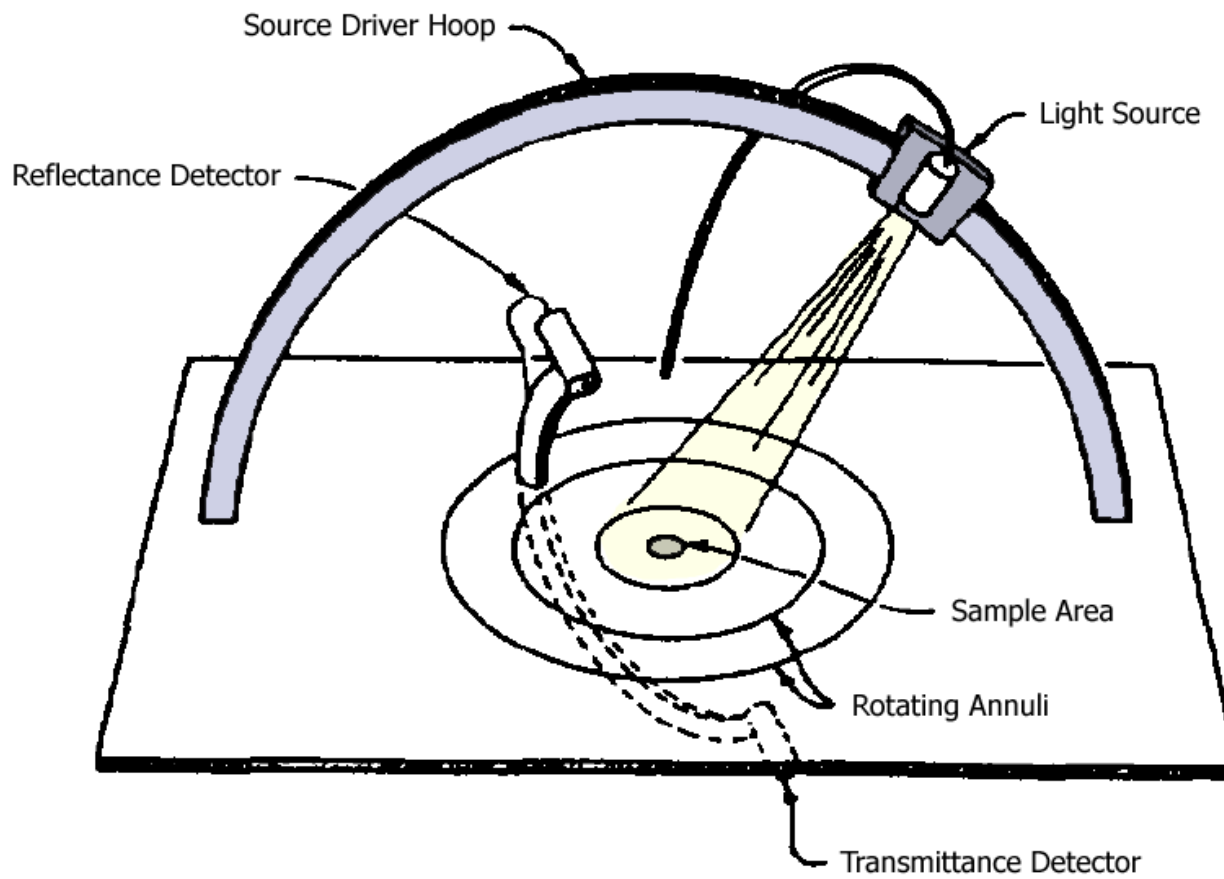
- BV Options:** Contains 'Viewers' (2D slices, Lit Sphere, 3D view, Lit Plane) and 'Options' (Logarithm, Multiply by: $\cos(\theta_{in})$, $\cos(\theta_{in}) * \cos(\theta_{out})$, $\cos(\theta_{out})$, $\cos(\theta_{in}) + \cos(\theta_{out})$). Buttons for 'New Window' and 'Quit' are also present.
- BRDF Parameter panel (top):** Shows parameters for the Cook-Torrance-Sparrow BRDF: Surface roughness m (0.13), Index of Refraction (Real part: 1.60, Imaginary Part: -0.20), Specular reflectivity (0.60), and Diffuse reflectivity (0.40). A text box explains: "This is the Cook-Torrance-Sparrow BRDF, using a Beckmann microfacet distribution function, Blinn's geometric shadowing term, and Fresnel reflection. The parameters are the surface roughness m (as used in the Beckmann distribution), the index of refraction, and the diffuse and specular reflectivities."
- BRDF Parameter panel (bottom):** Shows parameters for Greg Ward's Elliptical Gaussian BRDF: Surface roughness in X direction (0.05), Surface roughness in Y direction (0.26), Specular reflectivity (0.05), and Diffuse reflectivity (0.40). It also includes an 'Orientation' knob. A text box explains: "This is Greg Ward's Elliptical Gaussian BRDF. It is predicted by a simple, but physically correct, rough-surface model, assuming different surface roughness along the X and Y directions. Shadowing, masking and Fresnel reflection are not included."
- Viewports:** Two side-by-side viewports show the light distribution on a surface. The top viewport is titled "bv [0]: Torrance-Sparrow m=0.13, n=1.60-0.20i, rs=0.60, rd=0.40" and shows a smooth, circular lobe. The bottom viewport is titled "bv [0]: (Ward sx=0.05, sy=0.26, rs=0.05, rd=0.40) rotated by +000" and shows a more elongated, elliptical lobe.



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Measuring BRDFs



Murray-Coleman and Smith Gonioreflectometer. (Copied and Modified from [Ward92]).

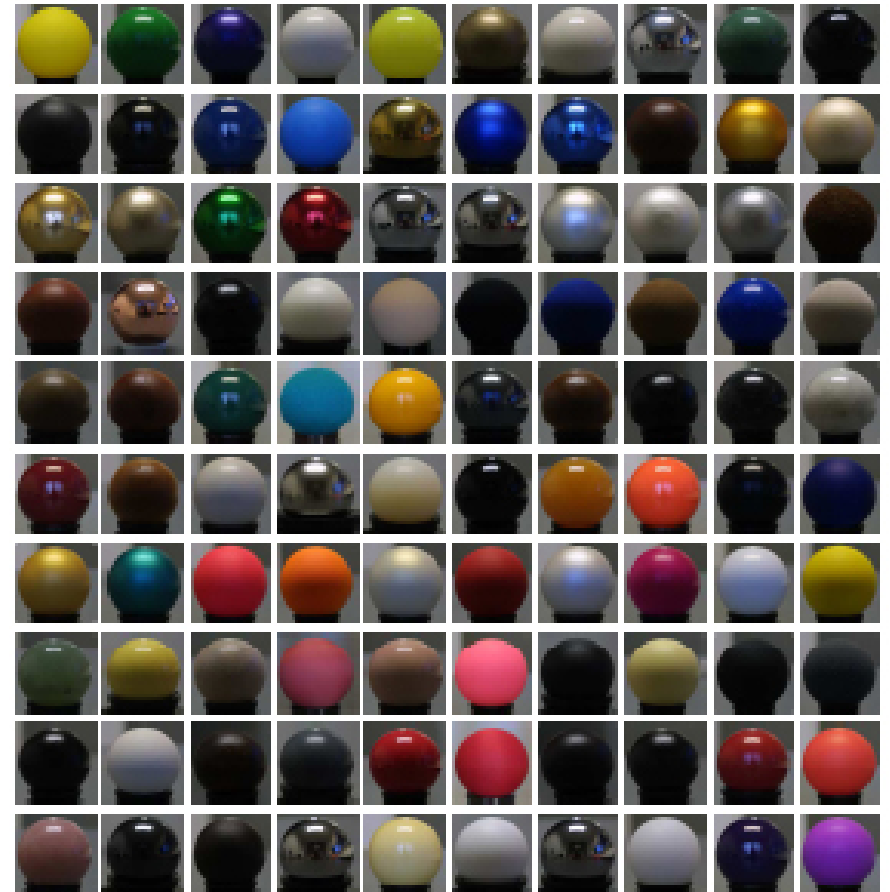


Measured BRDF Samples

- Mitsubishi Electric Research Lab (MERL)

<http://www.merl.com/brdf/>

- Wojciech Matusik
- MIT PhD Thesis
- 100 Samples





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Time-varying BRDF

- BRDF: How different materials reflect light
- Time varying?: how reflectance changes over time

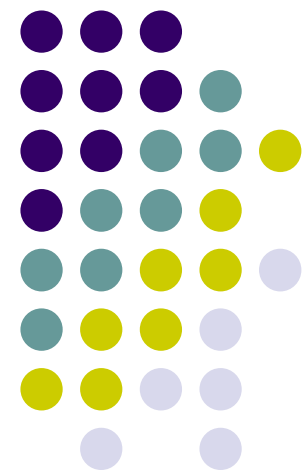


Computer Graphics (CS 4731)

Lecture 19: Shadows and Fog

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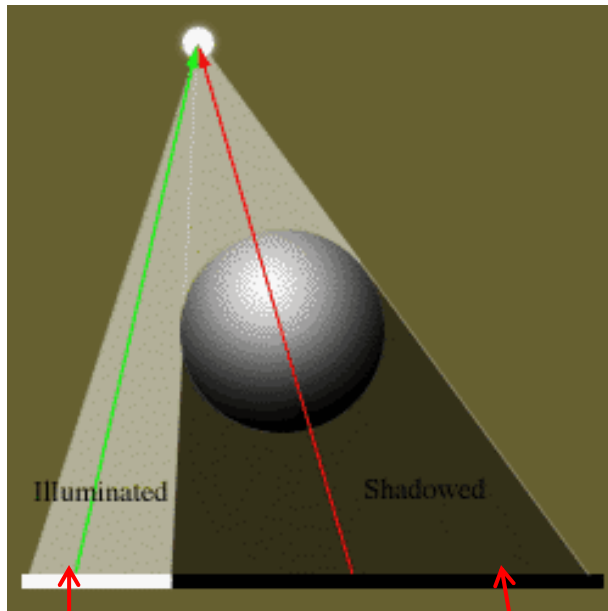
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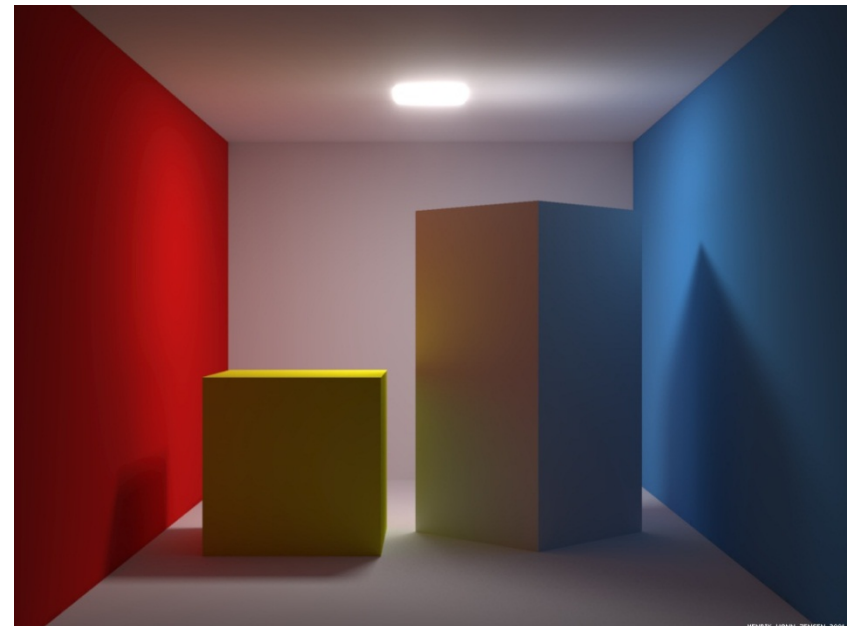
Introduction to Shadows

- Shadows give information on relative positions of objects



Use ambient +
diffuse + specular
components

Use just ambient
component





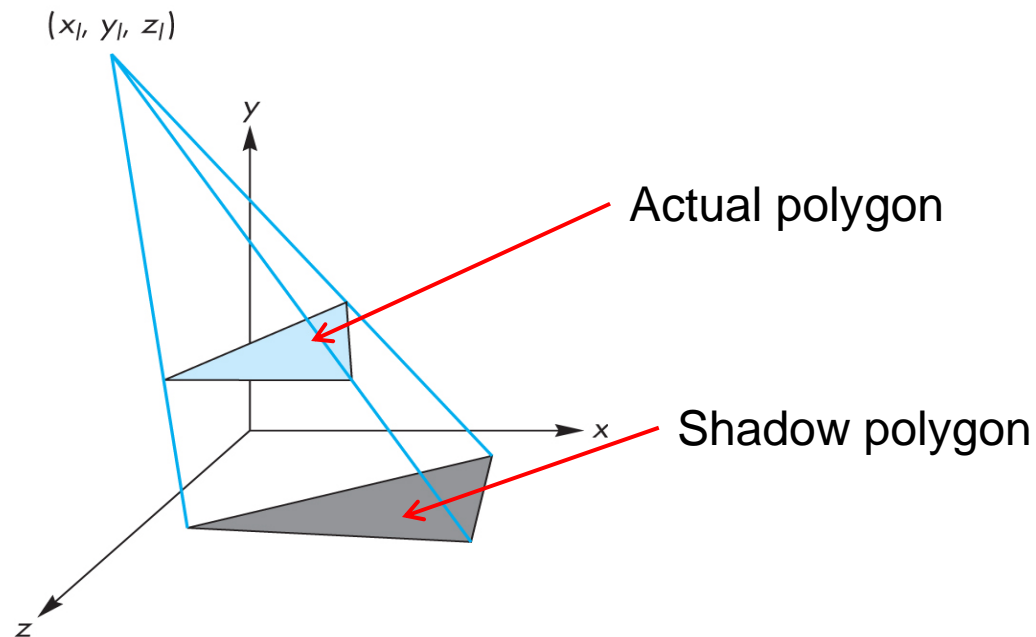
Introduction to Shadows

- Two popular shadow rendering methods:
 1. Shadows as texture (projection)
 2. Shadow buffer
- Third method used in ray-tracing (covered in grad class)



Projective Shadows

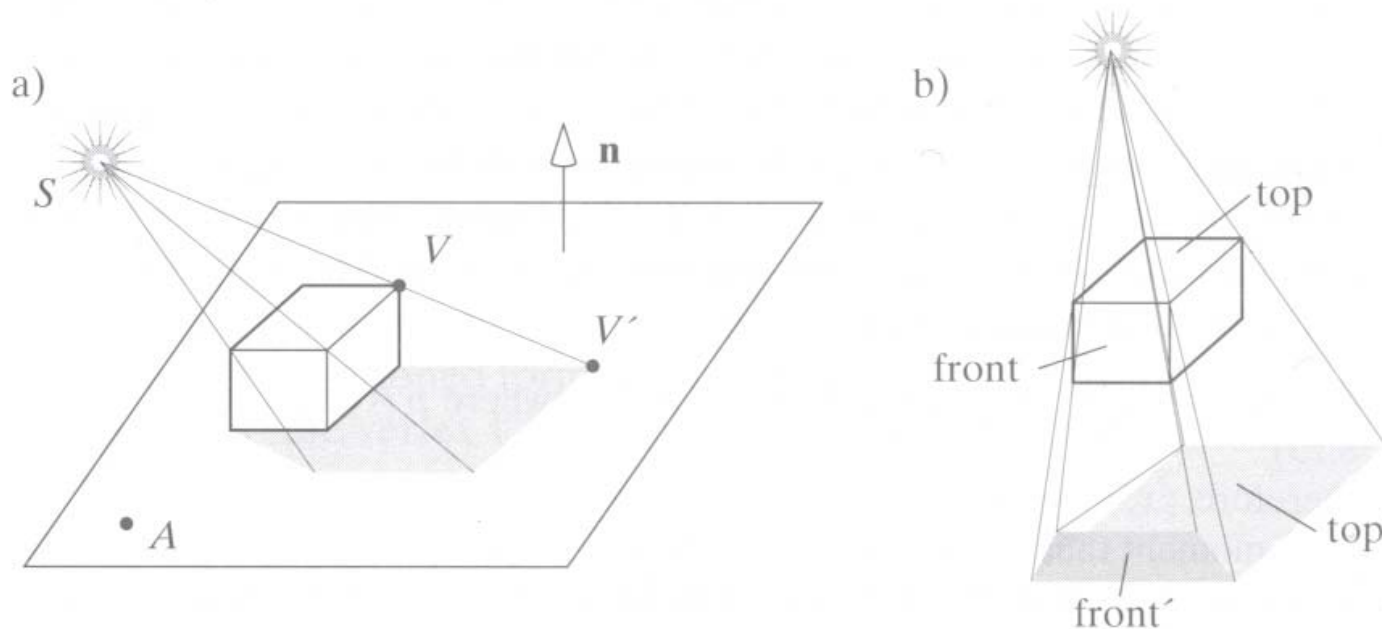
- Oldest method: Used in early flight simulators
- Projection of polygon is polygon called **shadow polygon**





Projective Shadows

- Works for flat surfaces illuminated by point light
- For each face, project vertices \mathbf{V} to find \mathbf{V}' of shadow polygon
- Object shadow = union of projections of faces





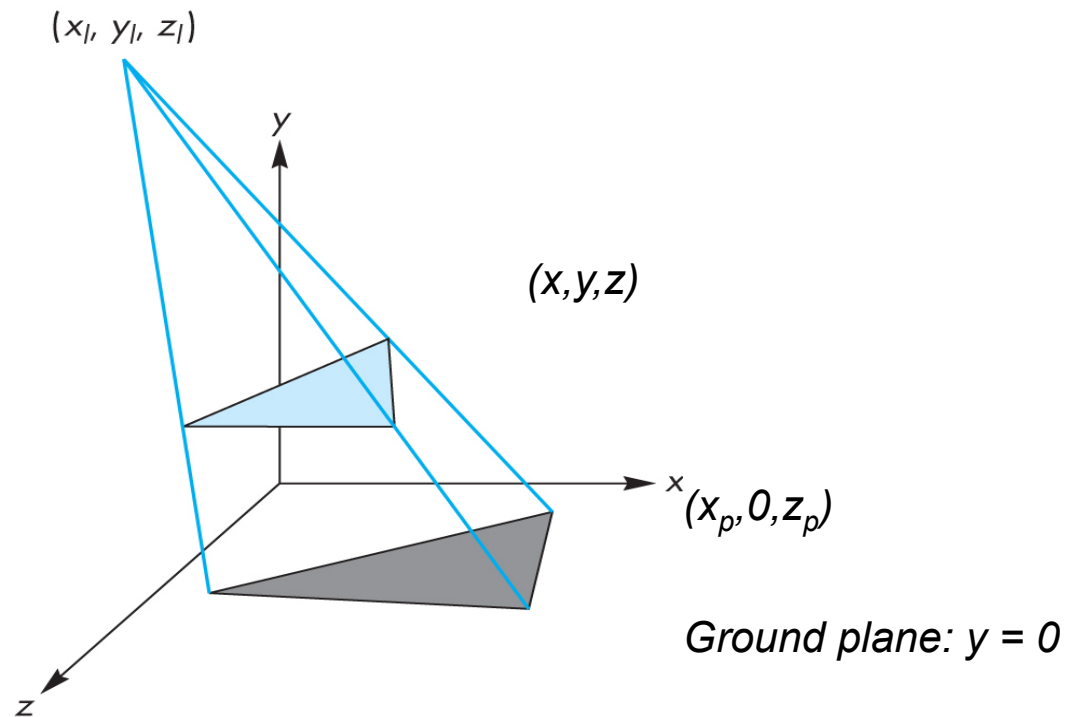
Projective Shadow Algorithm

- Project light-object edges onto plane
- Algorithm:
 - First, draw ground plane using specular+diffuse+ambient components
 - Then, draw shadow projections (face by face) using only ambient component



Projective Shadows for Polygon

1. If light is at (x_l, y_l, z_l)
2. Vertex at (x, y, z)
3. Would like to calculate shadow polygon vertex V projected onto ground at $(x_p, 0, z_p)$

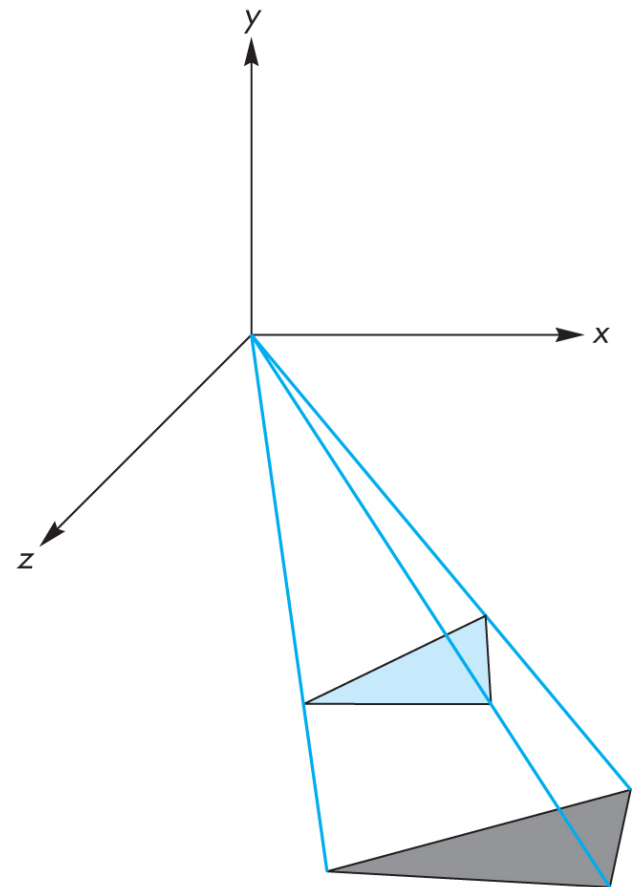




Projective Shadows for Polygon

- If we move original polygon so that light source is at origin
- Matrix M projects a vertex V to give its projection V' in shadow polygon

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{-y_l} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$





Building Shadow Projection Matrix

1. Translate source to origin with $T(-x_l, -y_l, -z_l)$
2. Perspective projection
3. Translate back by $T(x_l, y_l, z_l)$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & x_l \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & y_l \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & z_l \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{-y_l} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -x_l \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -y_l \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -z_l \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Final matrix that projects
Vertex V onto V' in shadow polygon




Code snippets?

- Set up projection matrix in OpenGL application

```
float light[3]; // location of light
mat4 m; // shadow projection matrix initially identity
```

```
M[3][1] = -1.0/light[1];
```

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{-y_l} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$




Projective Shadow Code

- Set up object (e.g a square) to be drawn

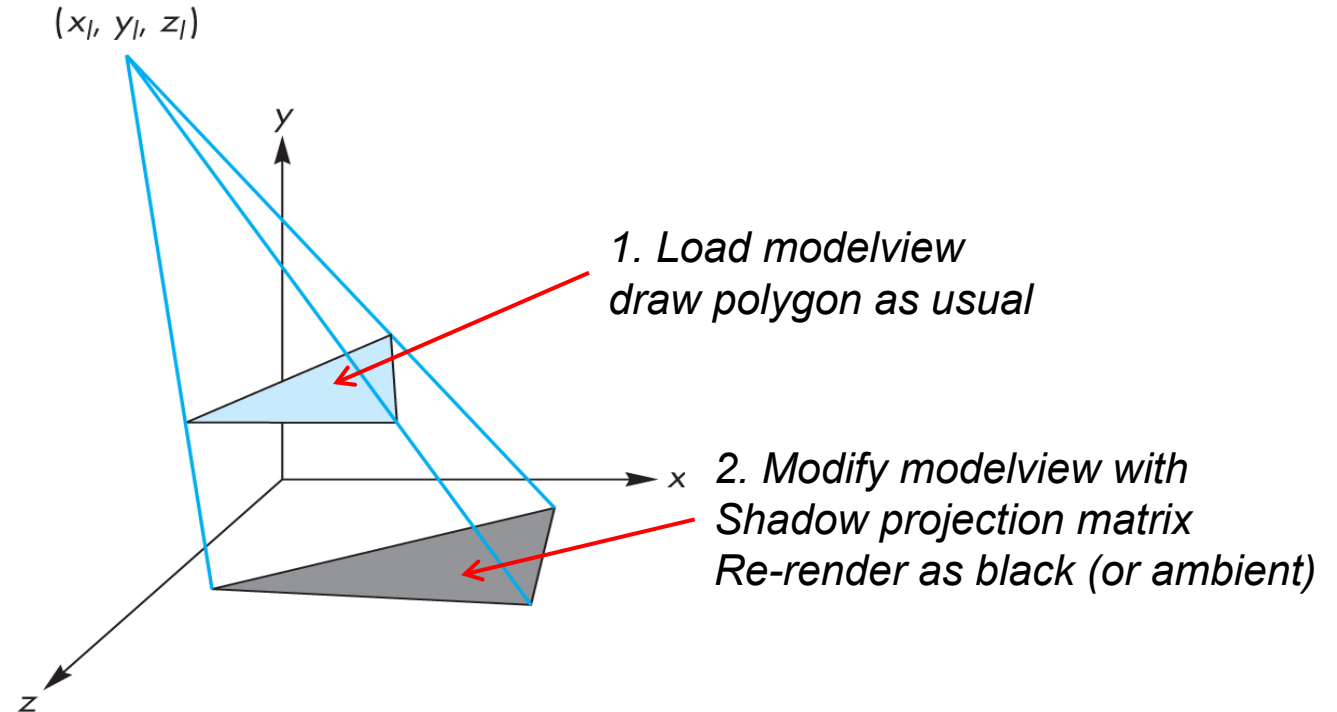
```
point4 square[4] = {vec4(-0.5, 0.5, -0.5, 1.0)}  
                  {vec4(-0.5, 0.5, -0.5, 1.0)}  
                  {vec4(-0.5, 0.5, -0.5, 1.0)}  
                  {vec4(-0.5, 0.5, -0.5, 1.0)}
```

- Copy square to VBO
- Pass modelview, projection matrices to vertex shader



What next?

- Next, we load `model_view` as usual then draw original polygon
- Then load shadow projection matrix, change color to black, re-render polygon



Shadow projection Display() Function



```
void display( )
{
    mat4 mm;
    // clear the window
    glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT | GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT);

    // render red square (original square) using modelview
    // matrix as usual (previously set up)
    glUniform4fv(color_loc, 1, red);
    glDrawArrays(GL_TRIANGLE_STRIP, 0, 4);
}
```



Shadow projection Display() Function

```
// modify modelview matrix to project square
// and send modified model_view matrix to shader
mm = model_view
    * Translate(light[0], light[1], light[2])
    *m
    * Translate(-light[0], -light[1], -light[2]);
glUniformMatrix4fv(matrix_loc, 1, GL_TRUE, mm);

//and re-render square as
// black square (or using only ambient component)
glUniform4fv(color_loc, 1, black);
glDrawArrays(GL_TRIANGLE_STRIP, 0, 4);
glutSwapBuffers( );
}
```

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & x_l \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & y_l \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & z_l \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{-y_l} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -x_l \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -y_l \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -z_l \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Shadow Buffer Approach

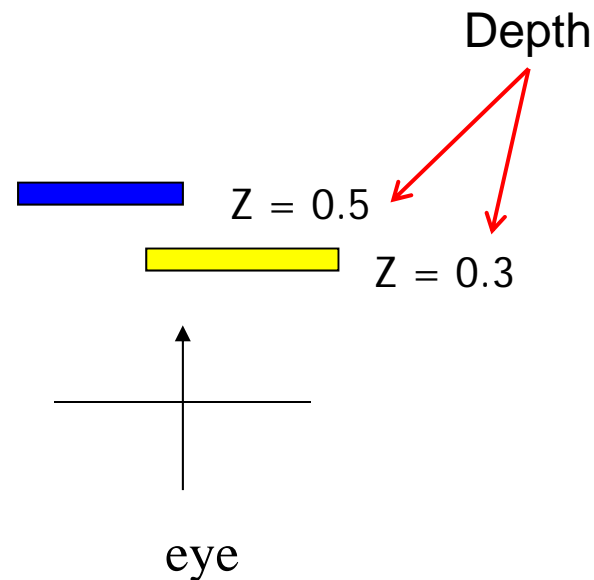
- Uses second **depth buffer** called shadow buffer
- Pros: not limited to plane surfaces
- Cons: needs lots of memory
- Depth buffer?



OpenGL Depth Buffer (Z Buffer)

- **Depth:** While drawing objects, depth buffer stores distance of each polygon from viewer
- **Why?** If multiple polygons overlap a pixel, only closest one polygon is drawn

1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
1.0	0.3	0.3	1.0
0.5	0.3	0.3	1.0
0.5	0.5	1.0	1.0





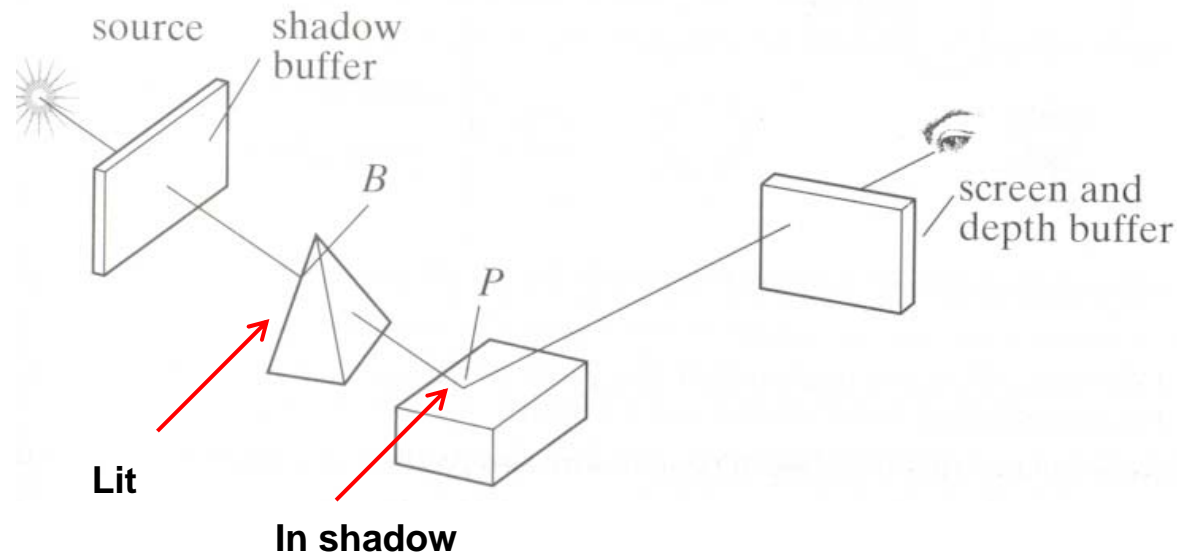
Setting up OpenGL Depth Buffer

- **Note:** You did this in order to draw solid cube, meshes
 1. `glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_DEPTH | GLUT_RGB)`
instructs OpenGL to create depth buffer
 2. `glEnable(GL_DEPTH_TEST)` enables depth testing
 3. `glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT | GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT)`
Initializes depth buffer every time we draw a new picture



Shadow Buffer Theory

- Along each path from light
 - Only closest object is lit
 - Other objects on that path in shadow
- Shadow buffer stores closest object on each path



Shadow Buffer Approach

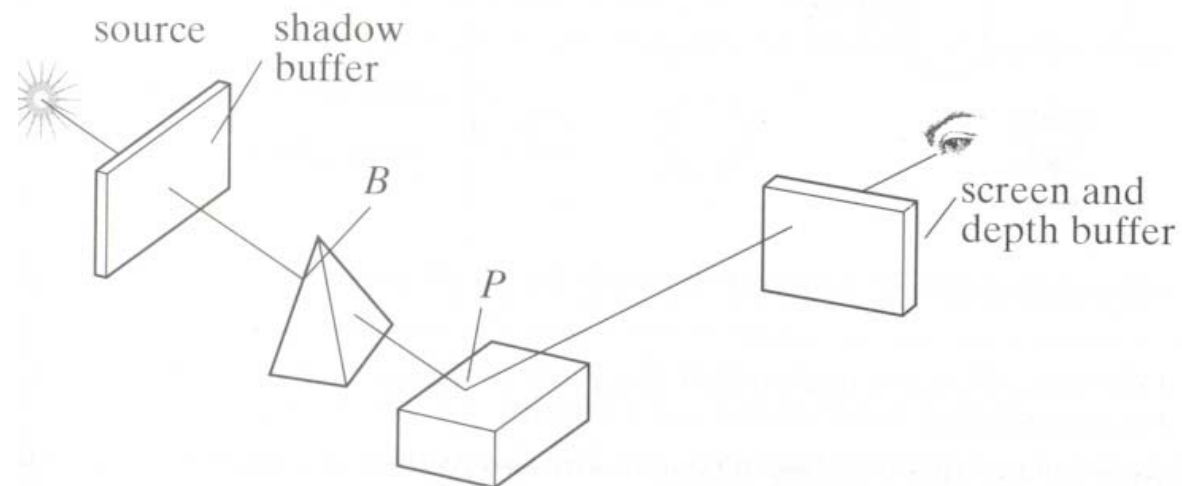
- Rendering in two stages:
 - Loading shadow buffer
 - Render the scene





Loading Shadow Buffer

- Initialize each element to 1.0
- Position a camera at light source
- Rasterize each face in scene updating closest object
- Shadow buffer tracks smallest depth on each path





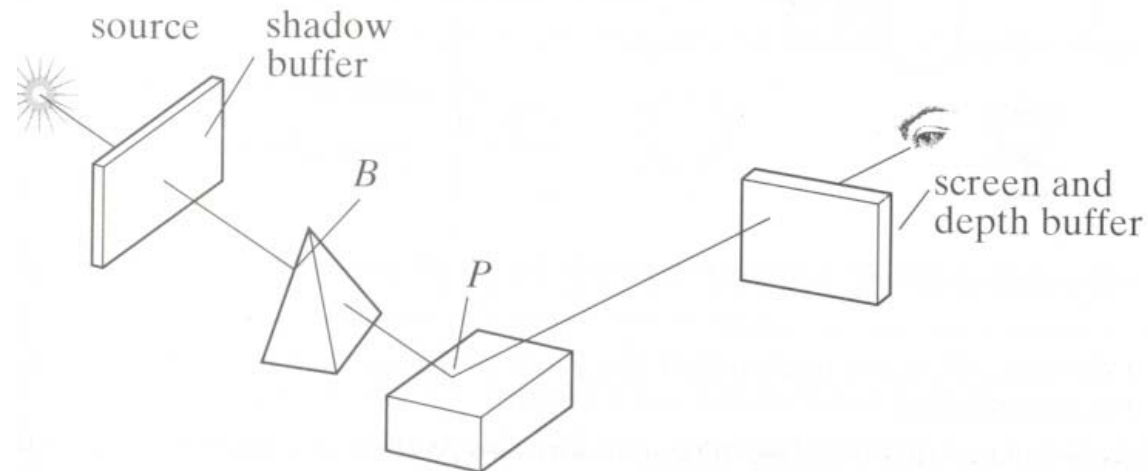
Shadow Buffer (Rendering Scene)

- Render scene using camera as usual
- While rendering a pixel find:
 - pseudo-depth D from light source to P
 - Index location $[i][j]$ in shadow buffer, to be tested
 - Value $d[i][j]$ stored in shadow buffer
- If $d[i][j] < D$ (other object on this path closer to light)
 - point P is in shadow
 - set lighting using only ambient
- Otherwise, not in shadow



Loading Shadow Buffer

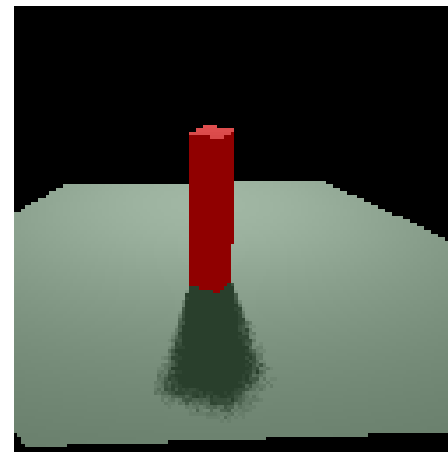
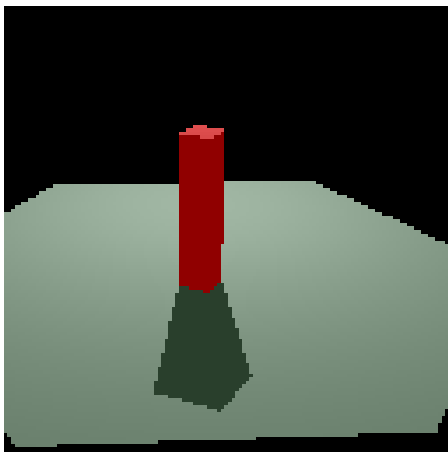
- Shadow buffer calculation is independent of eye position
- In animations, shadow buffer loaded once
- If eye moves, no need for recalculation
- If objects move, recalculation required





Other Issues

- Point light sources => simple hard shadows, unrealistic
- Extended light sources => more realistic
- Shadow has two parts:
 - Umbra (Inner part) => no light
 - Penumbra (outer part) => some light





References

- Interactive Computer Graphics (6th edition), Angel and Shreiner
- Computer Graphics using OpenGL (3rd edition), Hill and Kelley
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