

# Texture Mapping

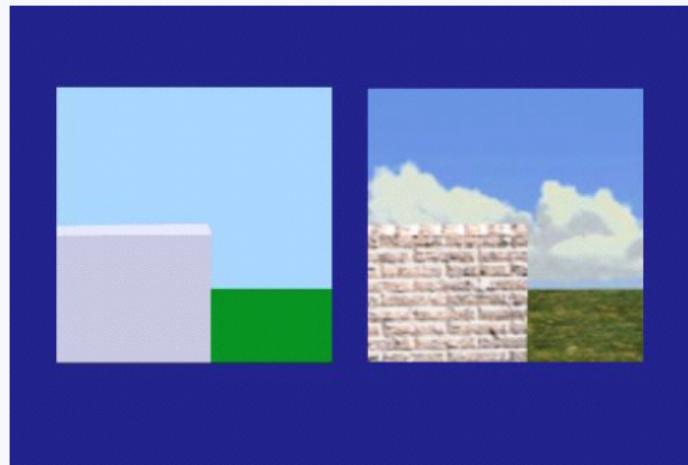
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# Limits of geometric modeling



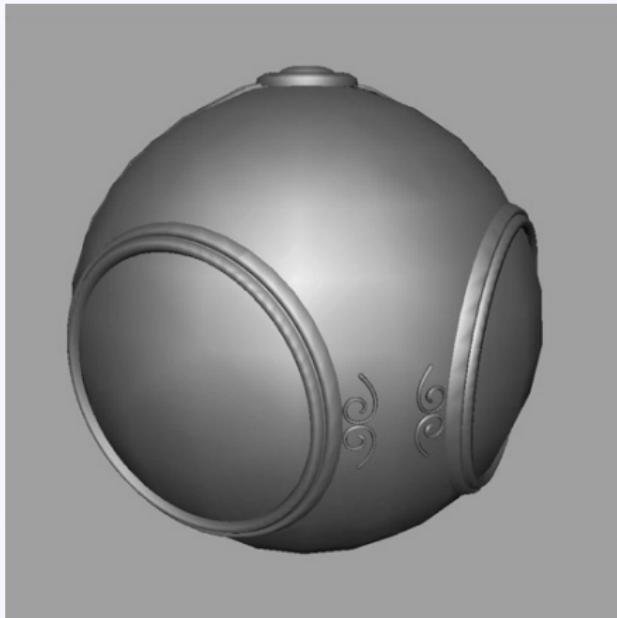
Although modern GPUs can render millions of triangles/sec, that's not enough sometimes...

# Texture mapping for detail



This image contains 8 polygons!

# Texture mapping comparison



no texture



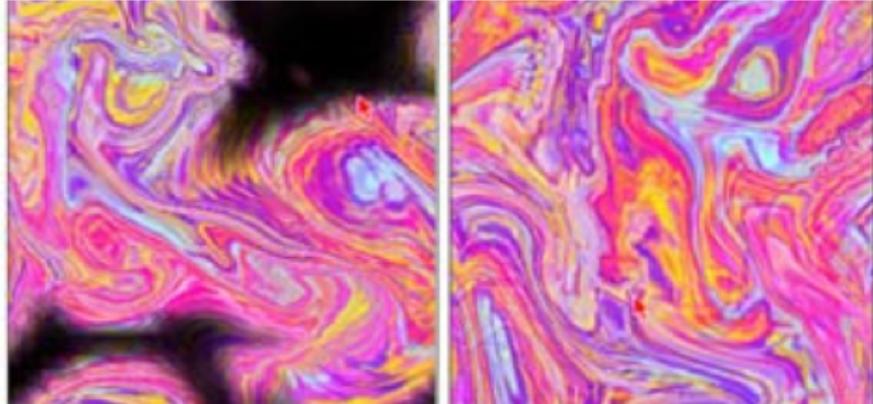
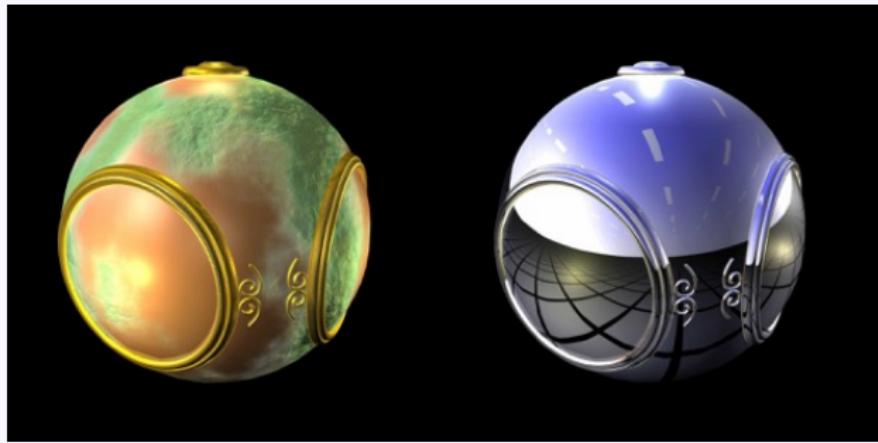
with texture



Pixar - Toy Story

# Other uses of textures...

- Light maps
- Shadow maps
- Environment maps
- Bump maps
- Opacity maps
- Animation



# Lookup reflectance in image

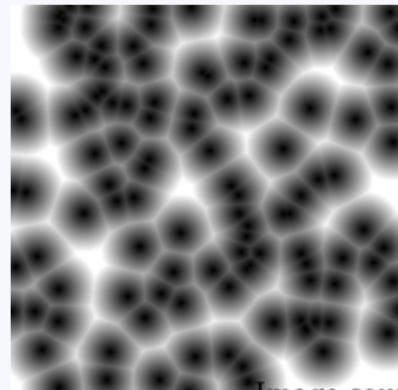
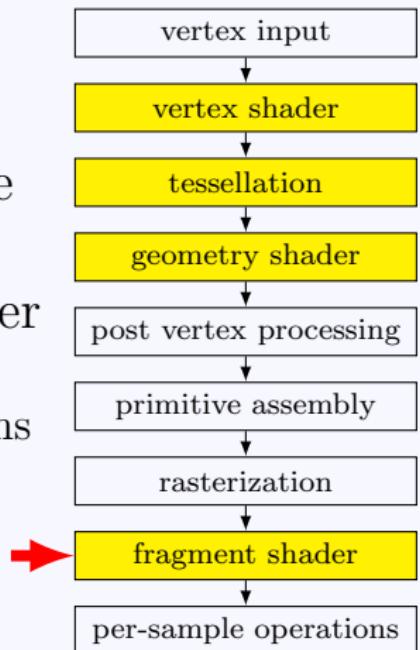


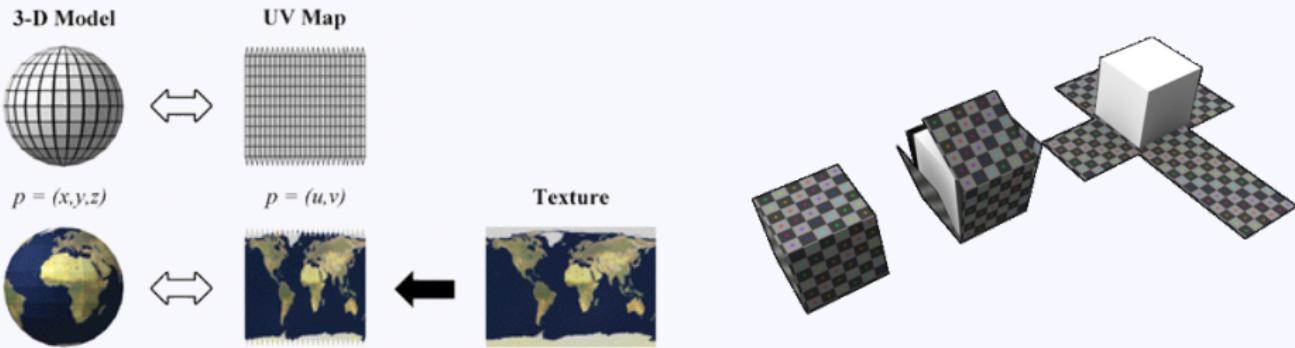
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# Texture mapping in the pipeline

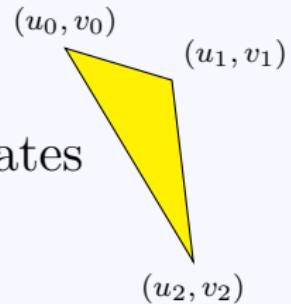
- Geometry and pixels have separate paths through pipeline
- Textures applied in fragment shader
  - End of pipeline
  - Efficient since relatively few polygons get past clipper

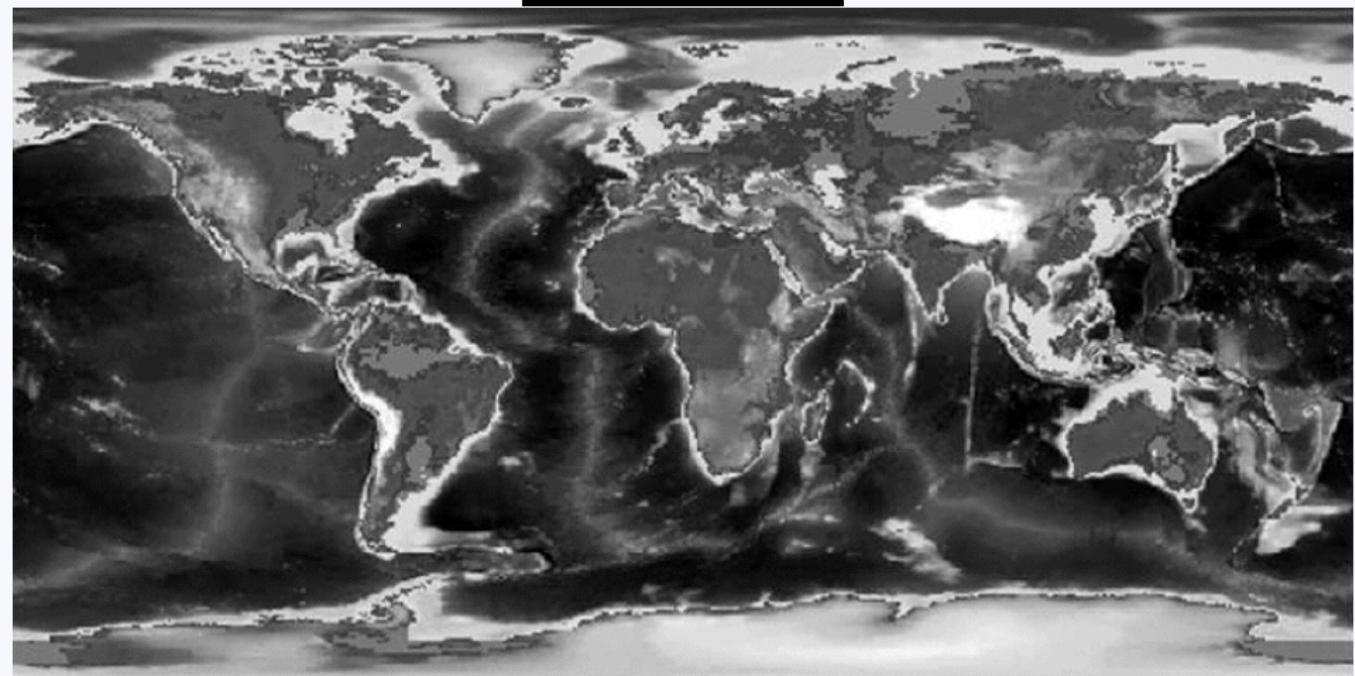
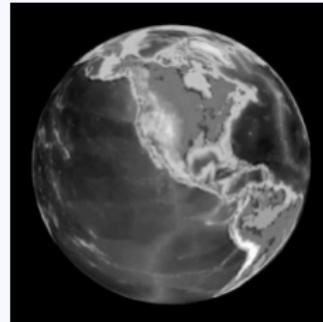


# uv Mapping



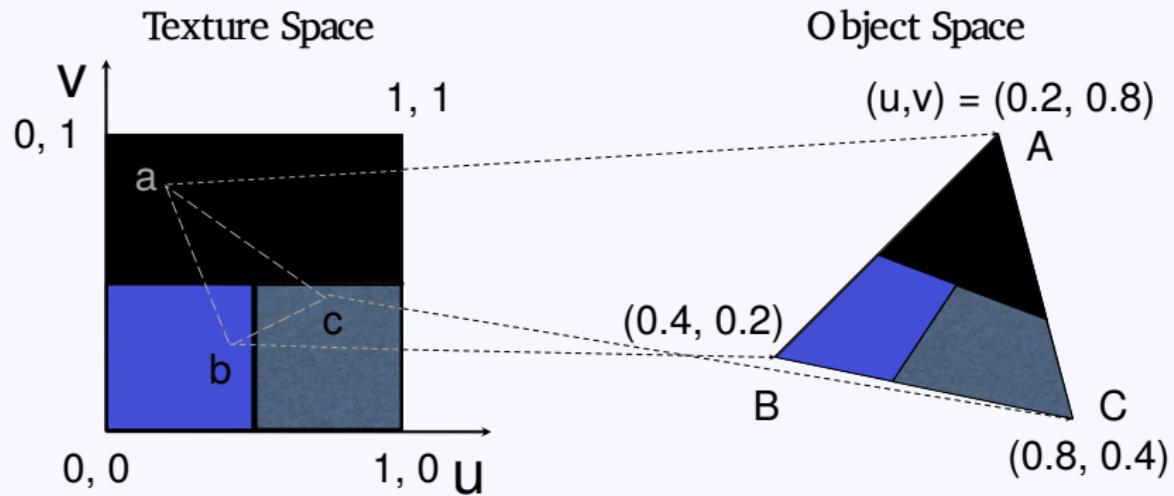
- 2D texture is parameterized by  $(u, v)$
- Assign polygon vertices texture coordinates
- Interpolate within polygon





# Texturing triangles

- Store  $(u, v)$  at each vertex
- Interpolate inside triangles using barycentric coordinates



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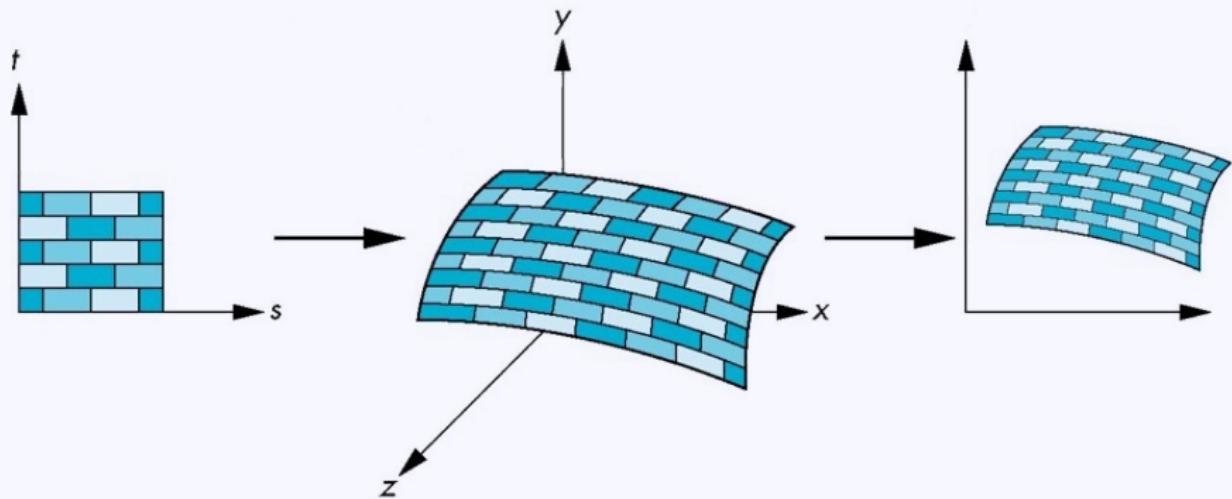
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$$\mathbf{p}(\beta, \gamma) = \mathbf{p}_a + \beta(\mathbf{p}_b - \mathbf{p}_a) + \gamma(\mathbf{p}_c - \mathbf{p}_a)$$

$$u(\beta, \gamma) = u_a + \beta(u_b - u_a) + \gamma(u_c - u_a)$$

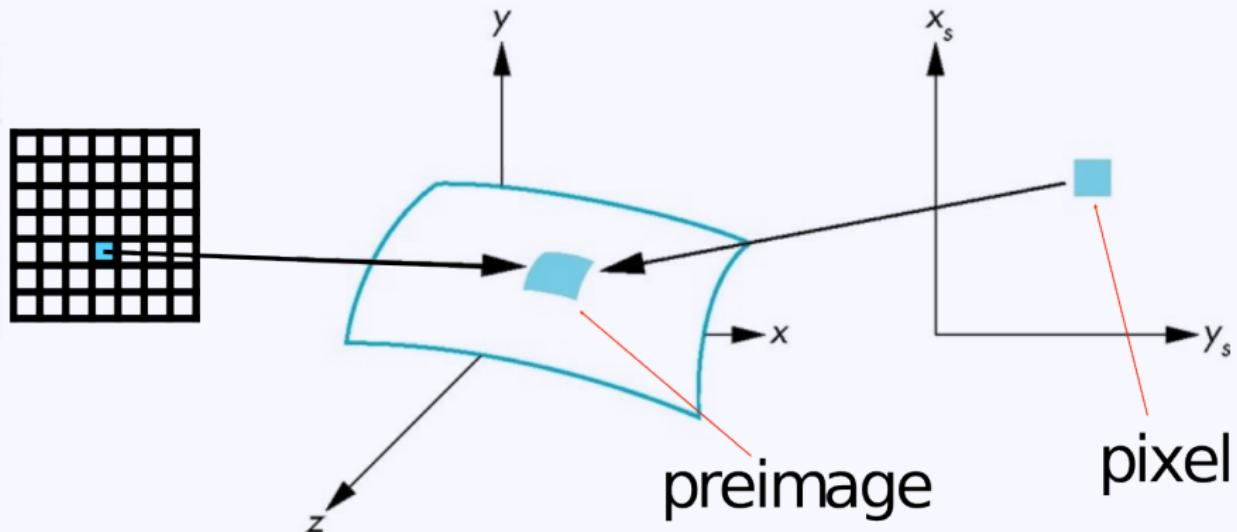
$$v(\beta, \gamma) = v_a + \beta(v_b - v_a) + \gamma(v_c - v_a)$$

# Texture mapping



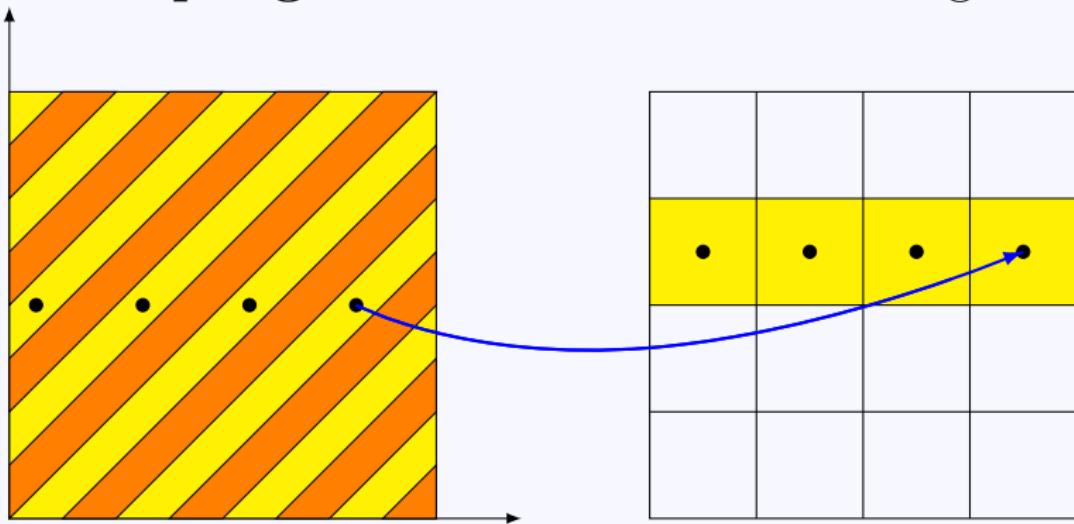
# Point sampling

Map back to texture image and use the **nearest texel**

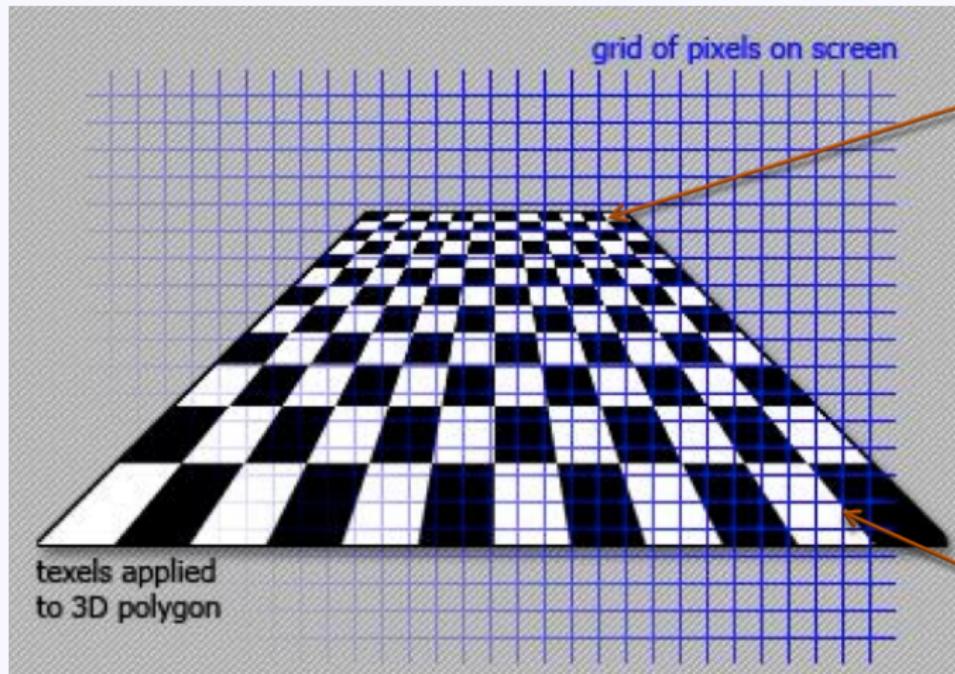


# Aliasing

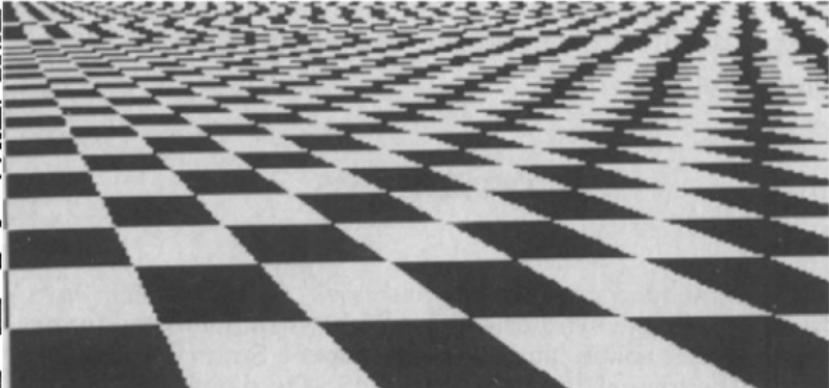
**Point sampling** textures can lead to aliasing artifacts



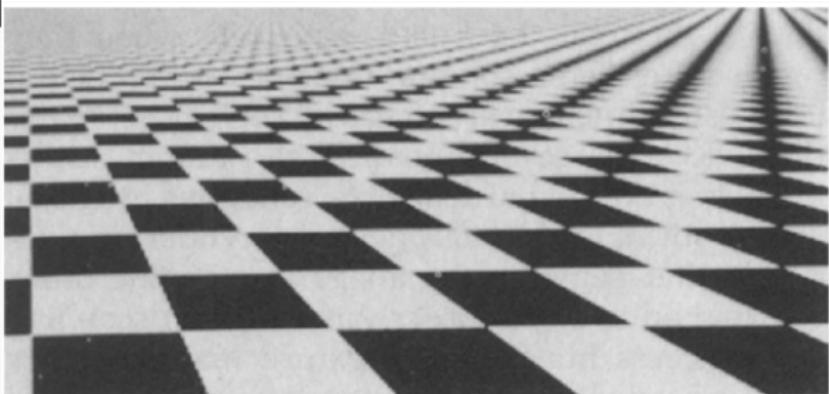
# Magnification and minification



# Aliasing artifacts

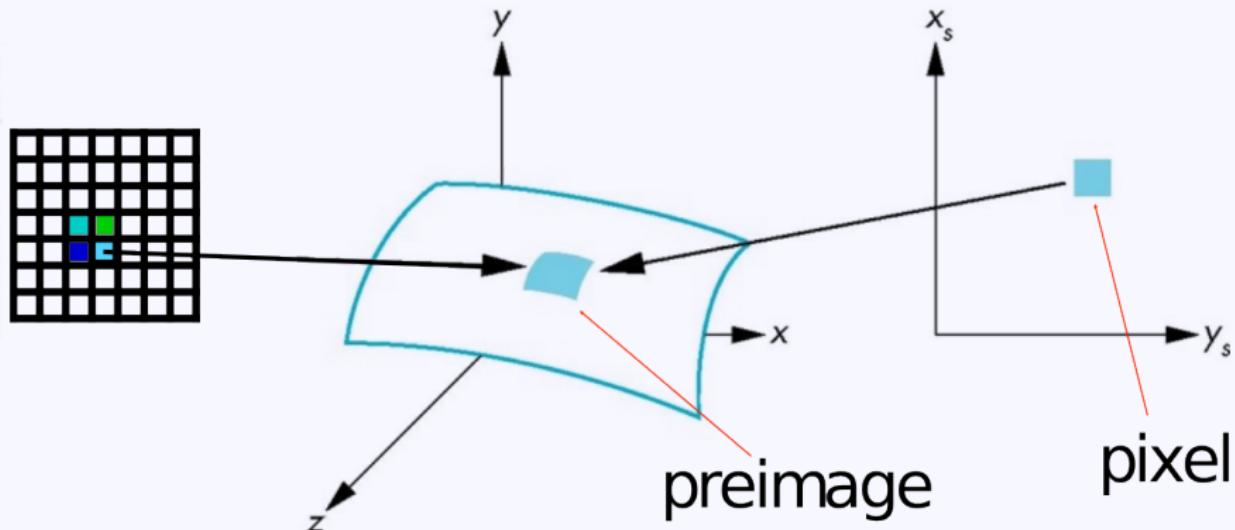


We apply **filtering** to  
reduce aliasing  
artifacts

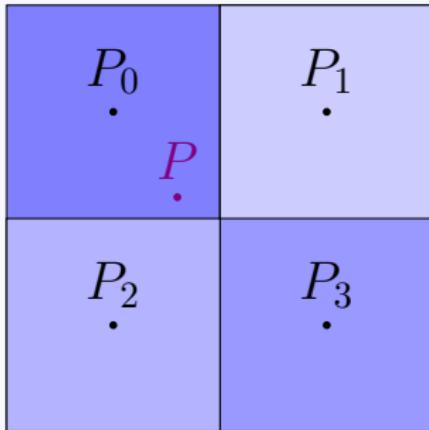


# Area averaging

A better but slower option is to use **area averaging**



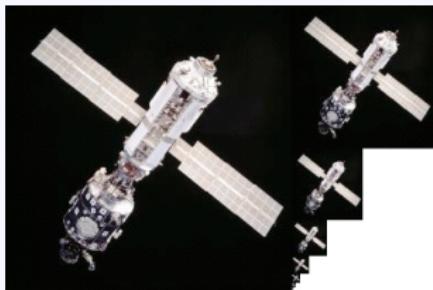
# Use bilinear filtering



nearest      bilinear      bicubic  
neighbor

mitigate magnification artifacts

# Mipmapping

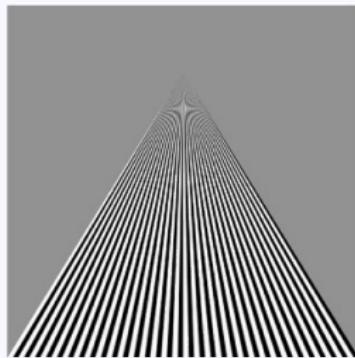
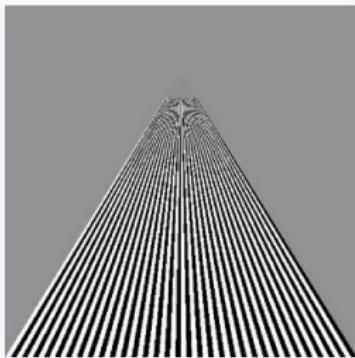
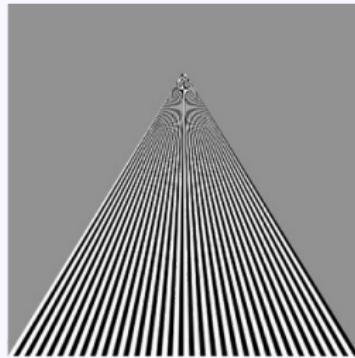
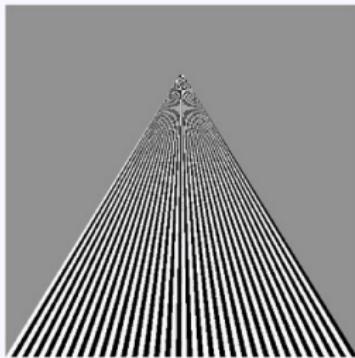


Reduce minification artifacts

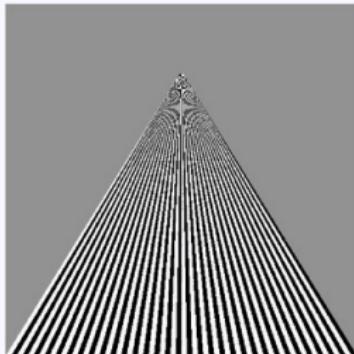
Prefilter the texture to obtain reduced resolutions

Requires  $\frac{1}{3}$  more space

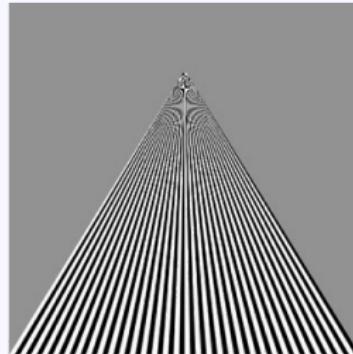
Get a texture hierarchy indexed by level



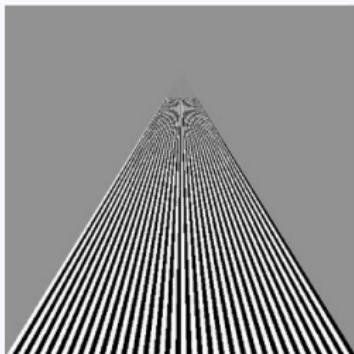
point  
sampling



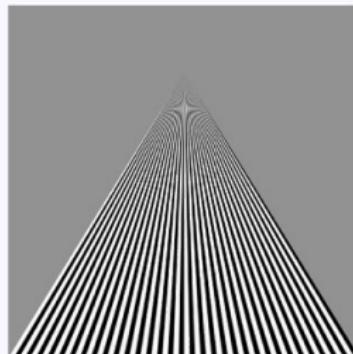
linear  
filtering



mipmapped  
point  
sampling



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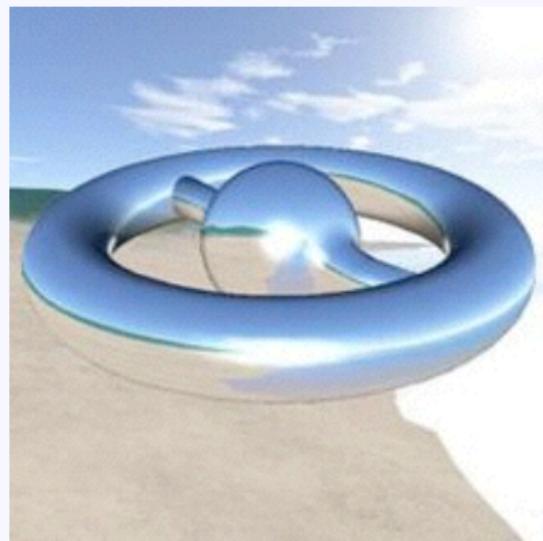
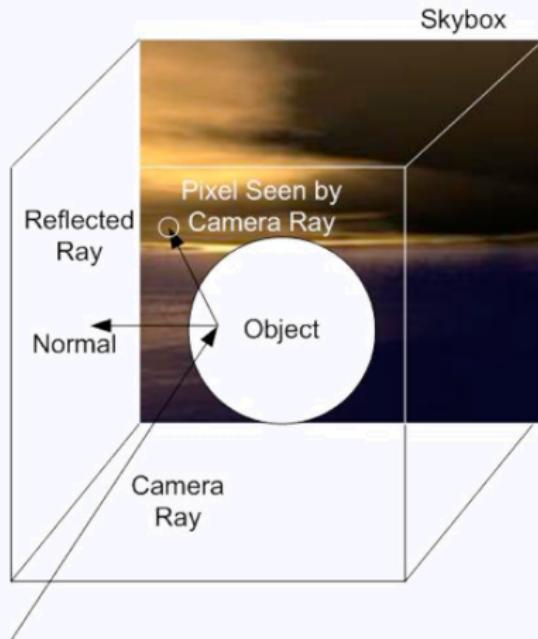


# Environment mapping



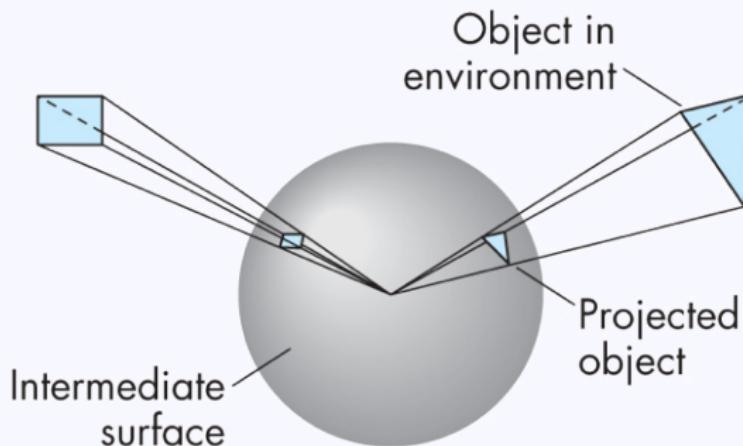
# Environment mapping

Use a texture for the distant environment  
simulate the effect of ray tracing more cheaply



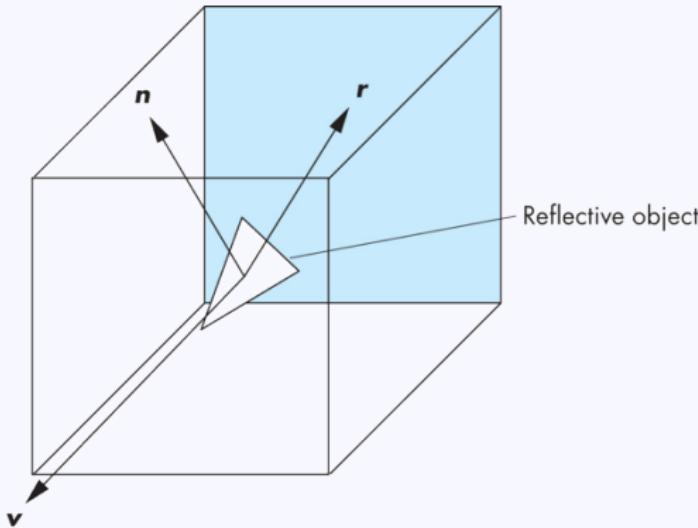
# Sphere mapping

- Project objects in the environment onto sphere centered at eye
- Unwrap and store as texture
- Use reflection direction to look up texture value

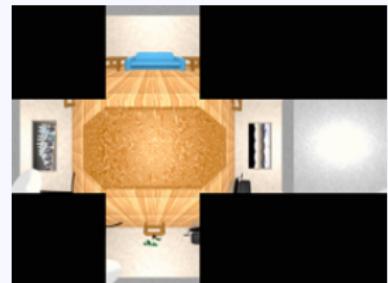
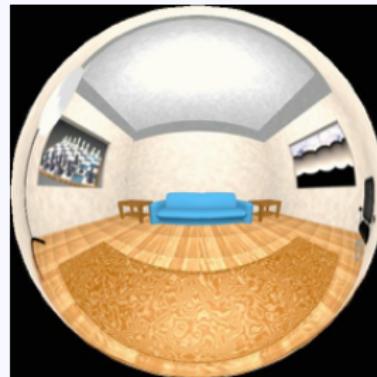


# Cube mapping

- Compute six projections, one for each wall
- Store as texture
- Use reflection direction to lookup texture value



# Different environment maps



Blinn/Newell  
latitude mapping



spherical mapping



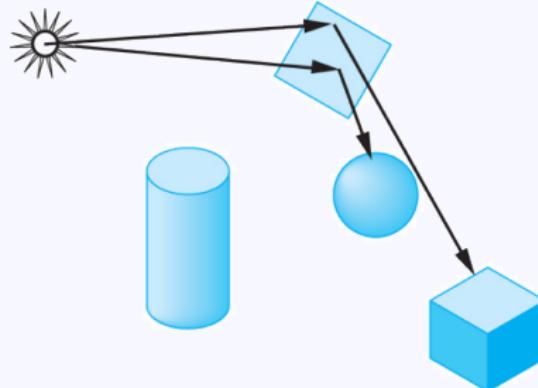
cube mapping

# Environment mapping

Create the effect of a mirror with two-pass rendering

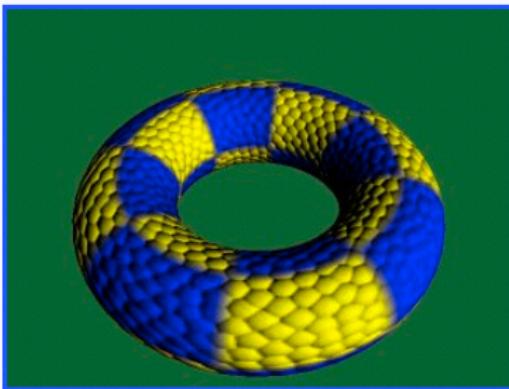
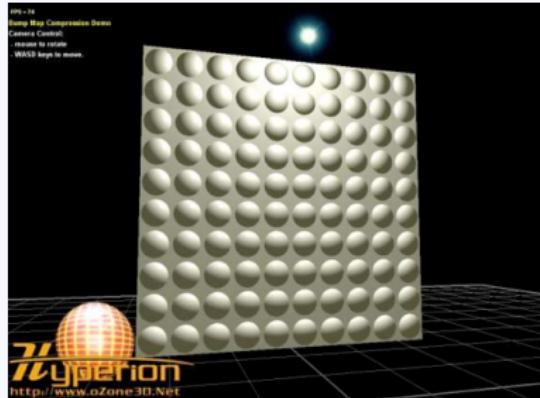
**First pass:** render the scene from the perspective of the mirror

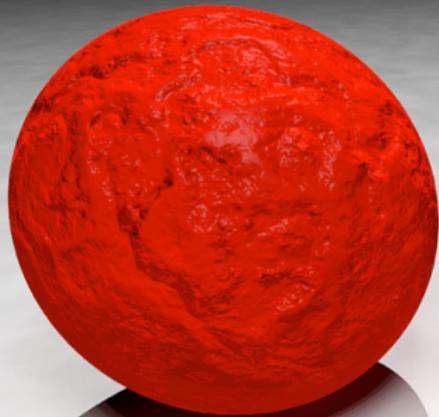
**Second pass:** render from original pov; use the first image as a texture for the mirror



# Bump mapping





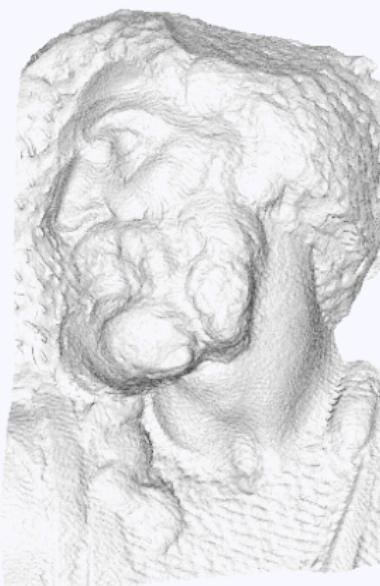


bump mapping

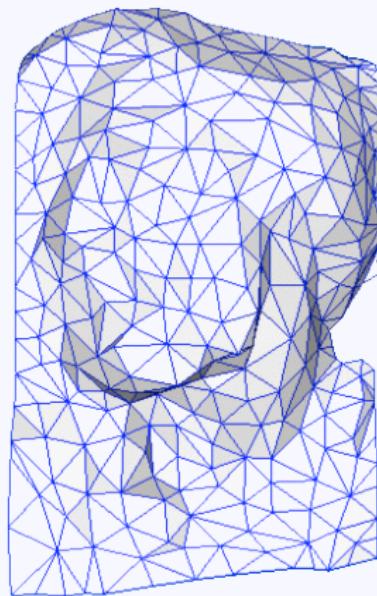


geometric detail

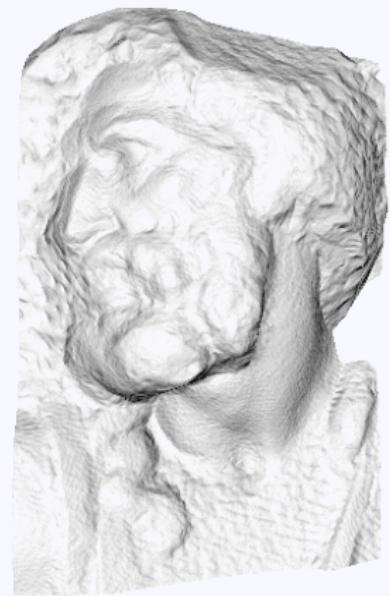
# Normal mapping



original mesh  
4M triangles



simplified mesh  
500 triangles



simplified mesh  
and normal mapping  
500 triangles

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