### CSI30 : Computer Graphics

Lecture 9: Texture Mapping

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# There are limits to geometric modeling



National Geographic

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

## Use texture mapping to increase realism through detail



This image is just 8 polygons!

Add visual complexity.

http://www.siggraph.org/education/materials/HyperGraph/mapping/r\_wolfe/r\_wolfe\_mapping\_1.htm







Textures can be anything that you can lookup values in -- photo, procedurally generated, or even a function that computes a value on the fly



#### Other uses of textures...







Texture coordinates are per-vertex data – a position in the (u,v) space can interpolate tex coordinates with barycentric coordinates







Teapot: Which image looks better? The image on the left uses **object coordinates** in the texture mapping – this makes more sense. The image on the **right** uses **world coordinates** – texture ends up changing relative to the object **want a nice map that doesn't look distorted** 

Given a point on the object (x,y,z), what point (u,v) in the texture we use?





#### Intermediate surfaces

First map the texture to a simpler, intermediate surface





note "pie slice" phenomenawhich coordinate axis is parallel to the cylinder axis?



spherical map stretches squares at equator and squeezes squares at poles



similar to planar mapping
planar projection -- choose which plane to project onto

### How do we map between intermediate and actual objects?



We associated (x,y,z) on the intermediate object with the texture (u,v). But which point on the actual object is this?

We choose both the intermediate shape and the mapping from the actual shape to the intermediate shape

1. a point on the object relative to its bounding box

2. see where surface normal intersects intermediate surface

3. shoot ray from centroid through surface point to intermediate surface

4. use the reflection vector (depends on the viewer position and normal)

## How do we map between intermediate and actual objects?



Can you tell what intermediate shape was used? Planar map - in xy plane













#### Texturing triangles

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

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}(\beta,\gamma) &= \mathbf{a} + \beta(\mathbf{b}-\mathbf{a}) + \gamma(\mathbf{c}-\mathbf{a}). \\ u(\beta,\gamma) &= u_a + \beta(u_b-u_a) + \gamma(u_c-u_a), \\ v(\beta,\gamma) &= v_a + \beta(v_b-v_a) + \gamma(v_c-v_a). \end{aligned}$$















- Texture coordinates: Used to identify points in the image to be mapped
- Object Coordinates: Conceptually, where the mapping takes place
- Window Coordinates: Where the final image is really produced















smooths out the texture - no sharp boundaries

#### Mipmapping



Togikun, Wikimedia Commons

128×128, 64×64, 32×32, 16×16, 8×8, 4×4, 2×2, 1×1

Reduce minification artifacts

Prefilter the texture to obtain reduced resolutions

Requires 1/3 more space

Get a texture hierarchy indexed by level



