Shading Polygonal Geometry

Smooth surfaces are often approximated by polygons





Flat Shading





do the shading calculation once per **polygon** valid for light at ∞ and viewer at ∞ and faceted surfaces

Mach Band Effect





do the shading calculation once per **vertex**

Per-Vertex Shading

$$\mathbf{n} = \frac{\mathbf{n}_1 + \mathbf{n}_2 + \mathbf{n}_3 + \mathbf{n}_4}{||\mathbf{n}_1 + \mathbf{n}_2 + \mathbf{n}_3 + \mathbf{n}_4||}$$



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We can interpolate attributes using barycentric coordinates





do the shading calculation once per **fragment**

Per-Fragment Shading



Comparison







Problems with Interpolated Shading

- Polygonal silhouette
- Perspective distortion
- Orientation dependence
- Unrepresentative surface normals







Programmable Shading

Fixed-Function Pipeline



Control pipeline through GL state variables

Programmable Pipeline



Supply shader programs to be executed on GPU as part of pipeline

Phong reflectance in vertex and pixel shaders using GLSL

void main(void)

```
vec4 v = gl_modelView_Matrix * gl_Vertex;
vec3 n = normalize(gl_NormalMatrix * gl_Normal);
vec3 l = normalize(gl_lightSource[0].position - v);
vec3 h = normalize(l - normalize(v));
float p = 16;
vec4 cr = gl_FrontMaterial.diffuse;
vec4 cl = fl_LightSource[0].diffuse;
vec4 ca - vec4(0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 1.0);
vec4 color;
if (dot(h,n) > 0)
    color = cr * (ca + cl * max(0, dot(, n, l)))
        + cl* pow(dot(h,n), p);
else
    color = cr * (ca + cl * max(0, dot(, n, l)));
gl_FrontColor = color;
gl_Position = ftransform();
```





varying vec4 v; varying vec3 n;

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    gl_FragColor = color;
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Rusty car shader, NVIDIA



Call of Juarez DX10 Benchmark, ATI



Dawn, NVIDIA

Perspective correct interpolation

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- In pipeline, we find barycentric coordinates in 2D screen space
 - but not the correct object space barycentric coords
 - these coordinates are okay for z-buffer test





$$u = \frac{1}{2}u_1 + \frac{1}{2}u_2$$







Interpolation with screen space weights is incorrect





correct

distorted

Perspective correct interpolation

Using screen space weights looks wrong for textures





[Heckbert and Morton, 1990]





Do we need to transform back to object space?

 $\mathbf{v}_{\rm sc} = M_{\rm vp} M_{\rm pers} M_{\rm cam} \mathbf{v}$





Do we need to transform back to object space? NO!

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