

CSE 167:  
Introduction to Computer Graphics  
Lecture #15: Shader Effects

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# Announcements

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- ▶ Homework assignment #6 due Friday, Nov 18
- ▶ CAPE: on-line, email notification at beginning of week 9
  - ▶ Period: Monday 11/21 to Monday 12/5
  - ▶ <http://www.cape.ucsd.edu>
- ▶ Final project description is on-line

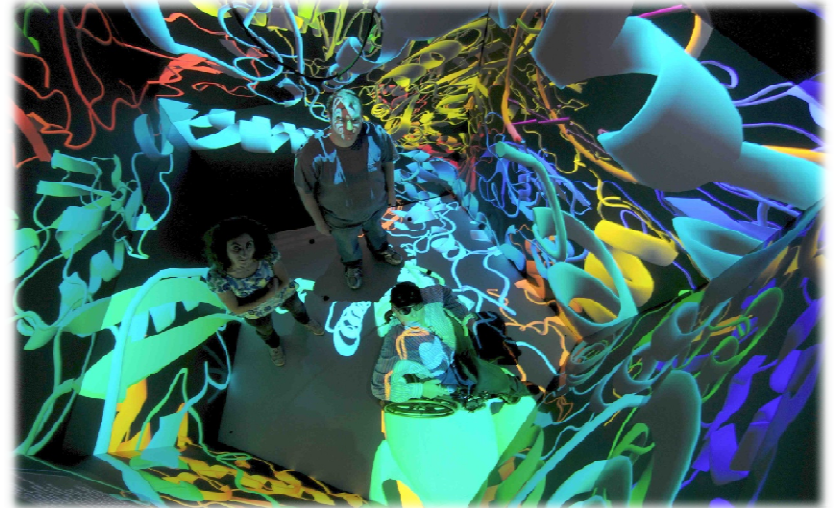
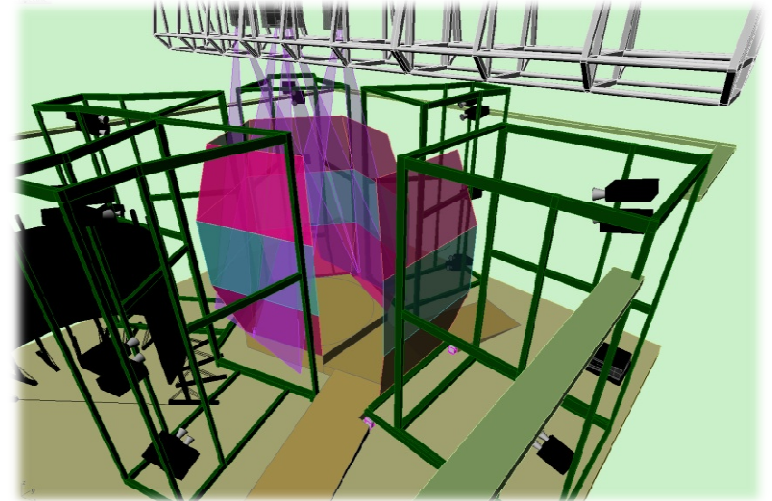
# StarCAVE Tour

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- ▶ Location: Atkinson Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> floor
- ▶ Time: Today after class, until 5pm
- ▶ Location:
  - ▶ Immersive Visualization Laboratory
  - ▶ 1<sup>st</sup> floor Atkinson Hall
  - ▶ Turn right at main entrance
  - ▶ Door on left, will be open

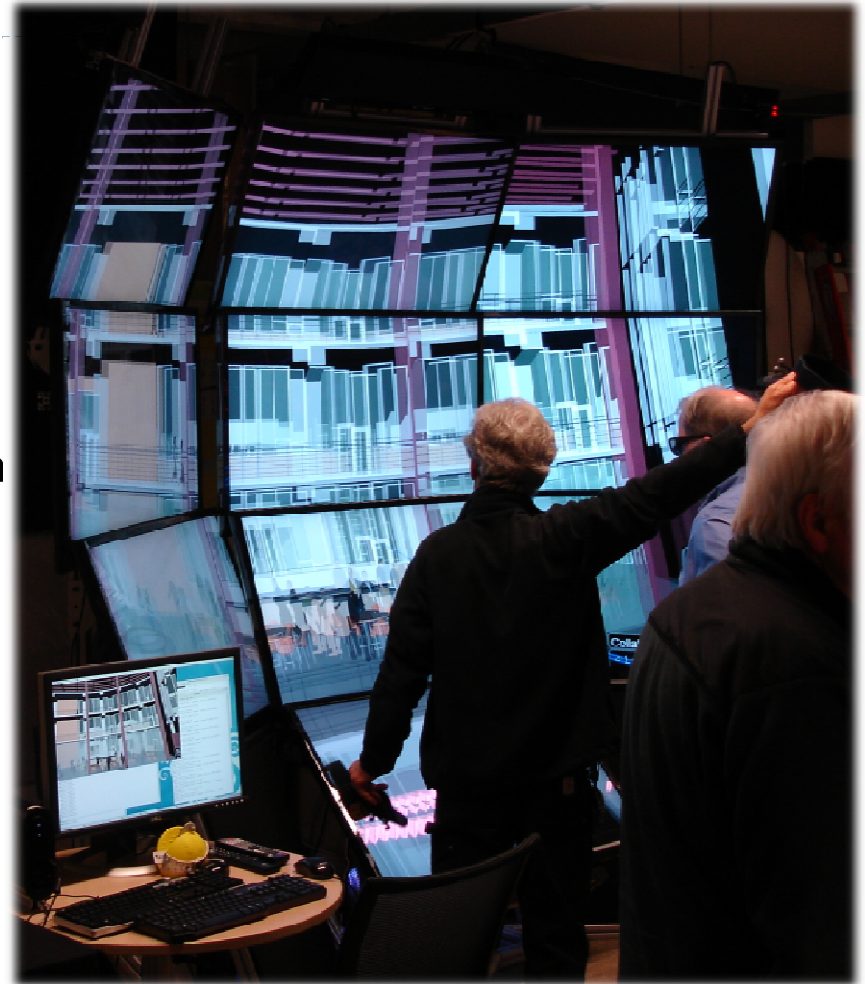
# The StarCAVE

- ▶ 18 Dell XPS 710 PCs
- ▶ Dual Nvidia Quadro 5600 graphics cards
- ▶ CentOS 5.3 Linux
- ▶ 34 JVC HD2k projectors (1920x1080 pixels):  
~34 megapixels per eye
- ▶ 360 degrees immersion
- ▶ Passive stereo, circular polarization
- ▶ 15 screens on 5 walls, ~8 x 4 foot each, plus  
floor projection
- ▶ 4-camera optical tracking system



# NexCAVE

- ▶ 10 42" JVC Xpol displays:  
LCD panels with polarizing filters,  
1920x1080 pixels
- ▶ 5 rendering PCs: Dell XPS 710
- ▶ Nvidia GeForce 480 GPUs
- ▶ 2-camera ART TrackPack tracking system



# Lecture Overview

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- ▶ **Advanced surface modeling**

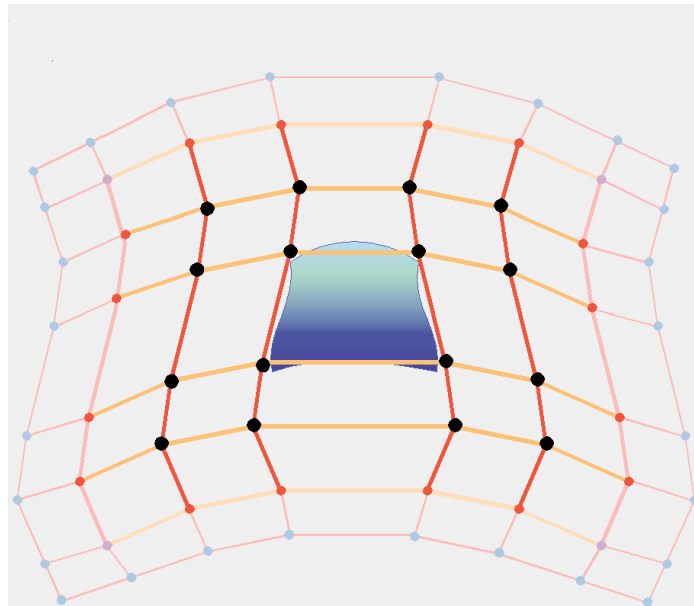
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- ▶ Environment mapping
- ▶ Toon shading
- ▶ Ambient Occlusion

# Advanced Surface Modeling

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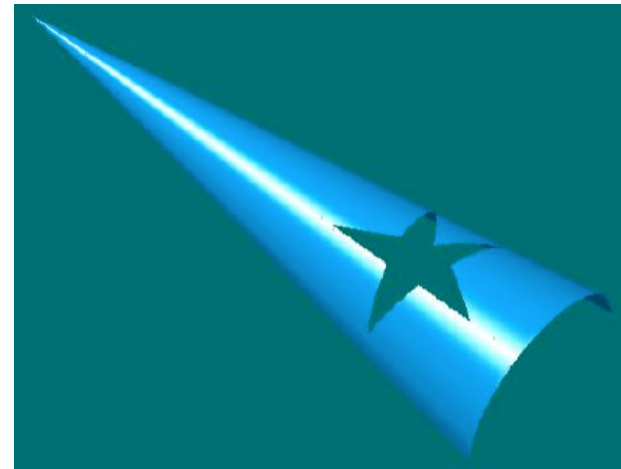
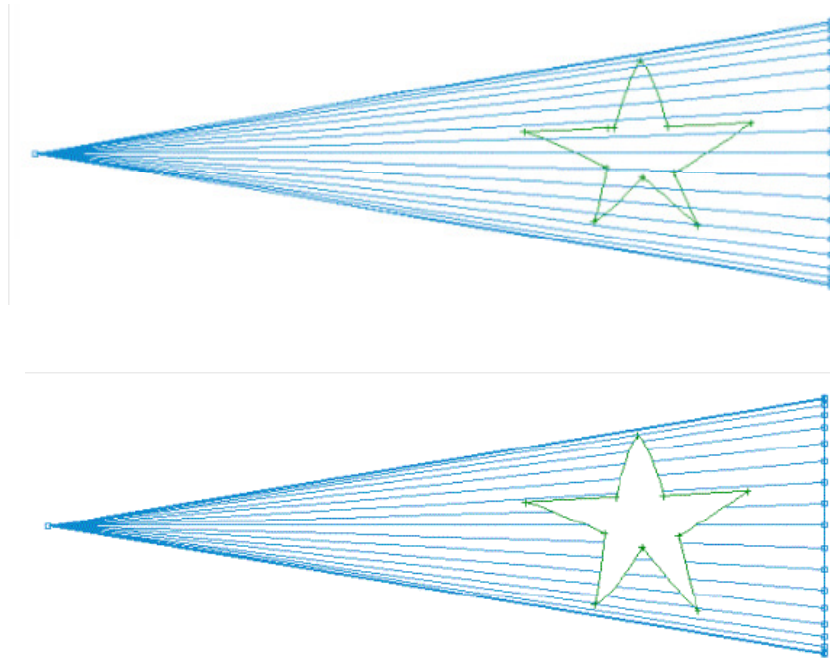
- ▶ B-spline/NURBS patches
- ▶ For the same reason as using B-spline/NURBS curves
  - ▶ More flexible (can model spheres)
  - ▶ Better continuity



# Advanced Surface Modeling

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- ▶ Trim curves: cut away part of surface
  - ▶ Implement as part of tessellation/rendering

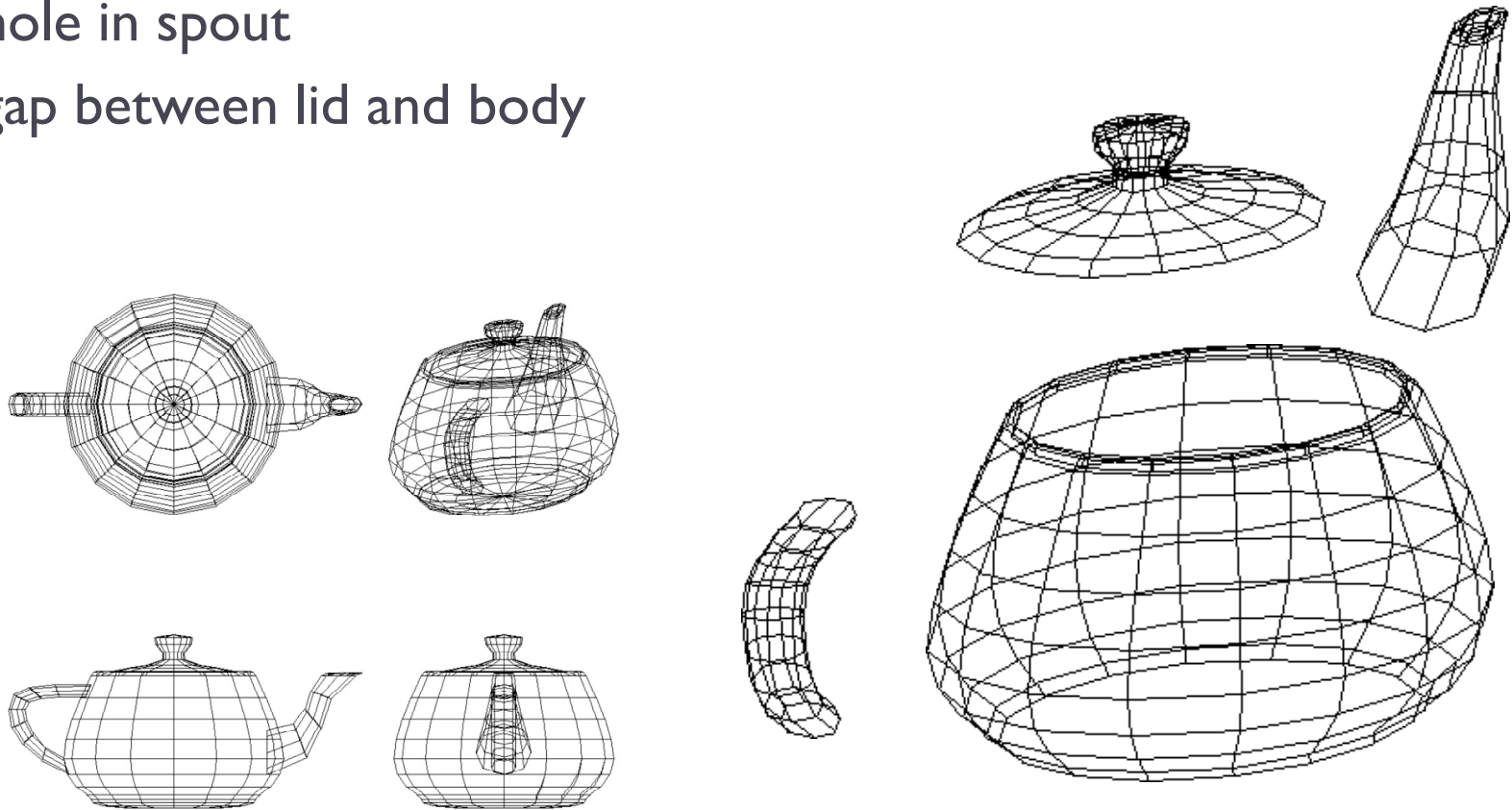




# Modeling Headaches

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- ▶ Original teapot is not “water tight”
  - ▶ spout & handle intersect with body
  - ▶ hole in spout
  - ▶ gap between lid and body



# Modeling Headaches

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- ▶ **NURBS surfaces are versatile**

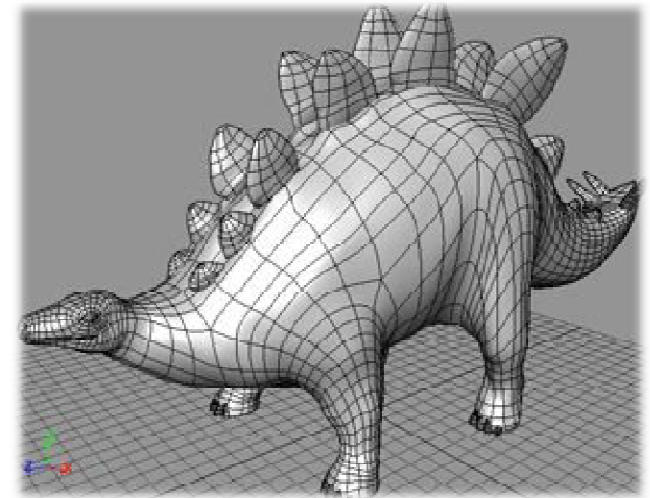
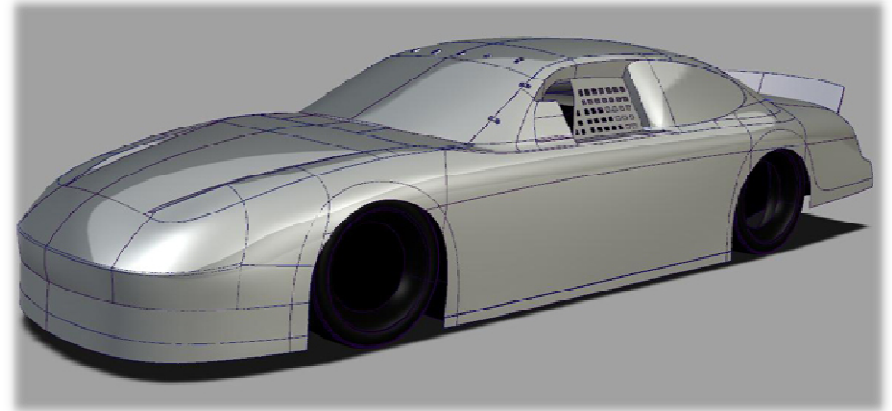
- ▶ Conic sections
- ▶ Can blend, merge, trim...

- ▶ **But:**

- ▶ Any surface will be made of quadrilateral patches (quadrilateral topology)

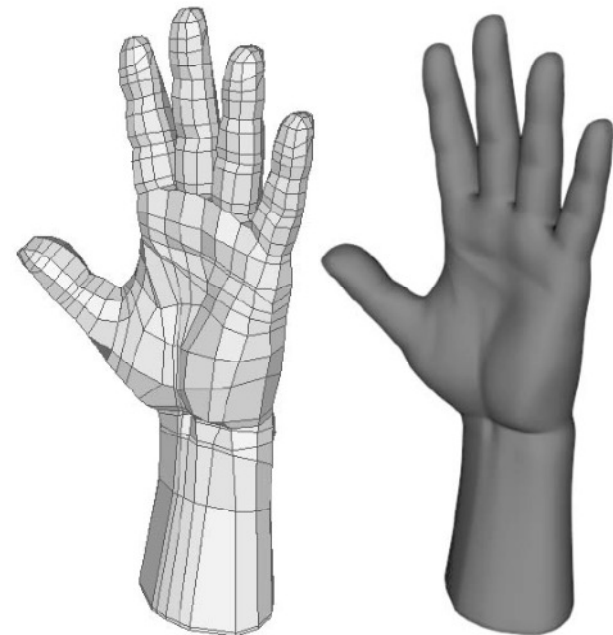
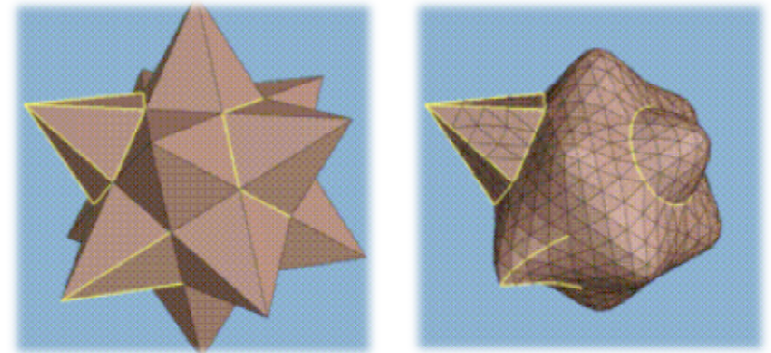
- ▶ **This makes it hard to**

- ▶ Join or abut curved pieces
- ▶ Build surfaces with complex topology or structure



# Subdivision Surfaces

- ▶ Arbitrary mesh of control points, not quadrilateral topology
  - ▶ No global  $u, v$  parameters
- ▶ Can make surfaces with arbitrary topology or connectivity
- ▶ Work by recursively subdividing mesh faces
  - ▶ Per-vertex annotation for weights, corners, creases
- ▶ Used in particular for character animation
  - ▶ One surface rather than collection of patches
  - ▶ Can deform geometry without creating cracks



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## **Advanced Shader Effects**

- ▶ **Environment mapping**
- ▶ Toon shading
- ▶ Ambient Occlusion

# More Realistic Illumination

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- ▶ **In real world:**
  - At each point in scene light arrives from all directions
    - ▶ Not just from point light sources
    - ▶ → Global Illumination is a solution but computationally expensive
- ▶ **Environment maps**
  - ▶ Store “omni-directional” illumination as images
  - ▶ Each pixel corresponds to light from a certain direction

# Capturing Environment Maps

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- ▶ “360 degrees” panoramic image
- ▶ Instead of 360 degrees panoramic image, take picture of mirror ball (light probe)



Light Probes by Paul Debevec  
<http://www.debevec.org/Probes/>

# Environment Maps as Light Sources

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## **Simplifying Assumption**

- ▶ Assume light captured by environment map is emitted from infinitely far away
- ▶ Environment map consists of directional light sources
  - ▶ Value of environment map is defined for each **direction**, independent of position in scene
- ▶ Approach uses same environment map at each point in scene
  - Approximation!

# Applications for Environment Maps

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- ▶ Use environment map as “light source”



Global illumination with  
precomputed radiance transfer

[Sloan et al. 2002]

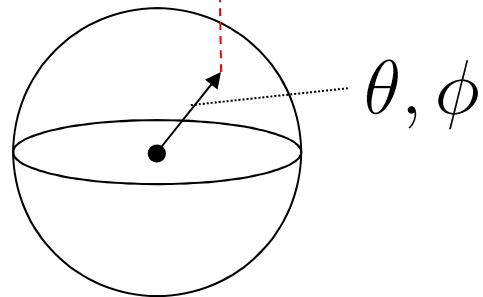
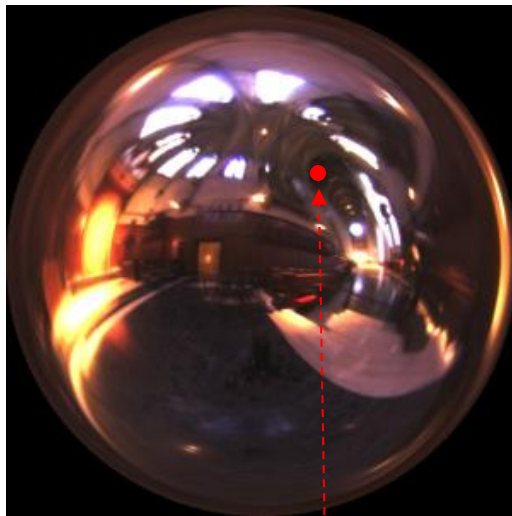


Reflection mapping  
[Terminator 2, 1991]

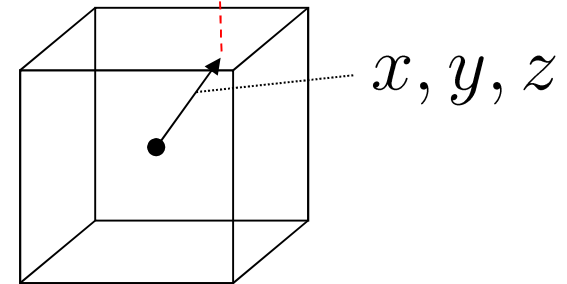
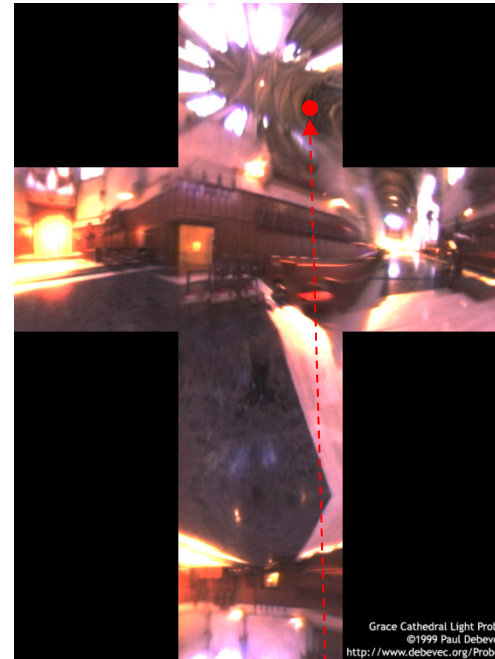


# Cubic Environment Maps

- ▶ Store incident light on six faces of a cube instead of on sphere



Spherical map



Cube map

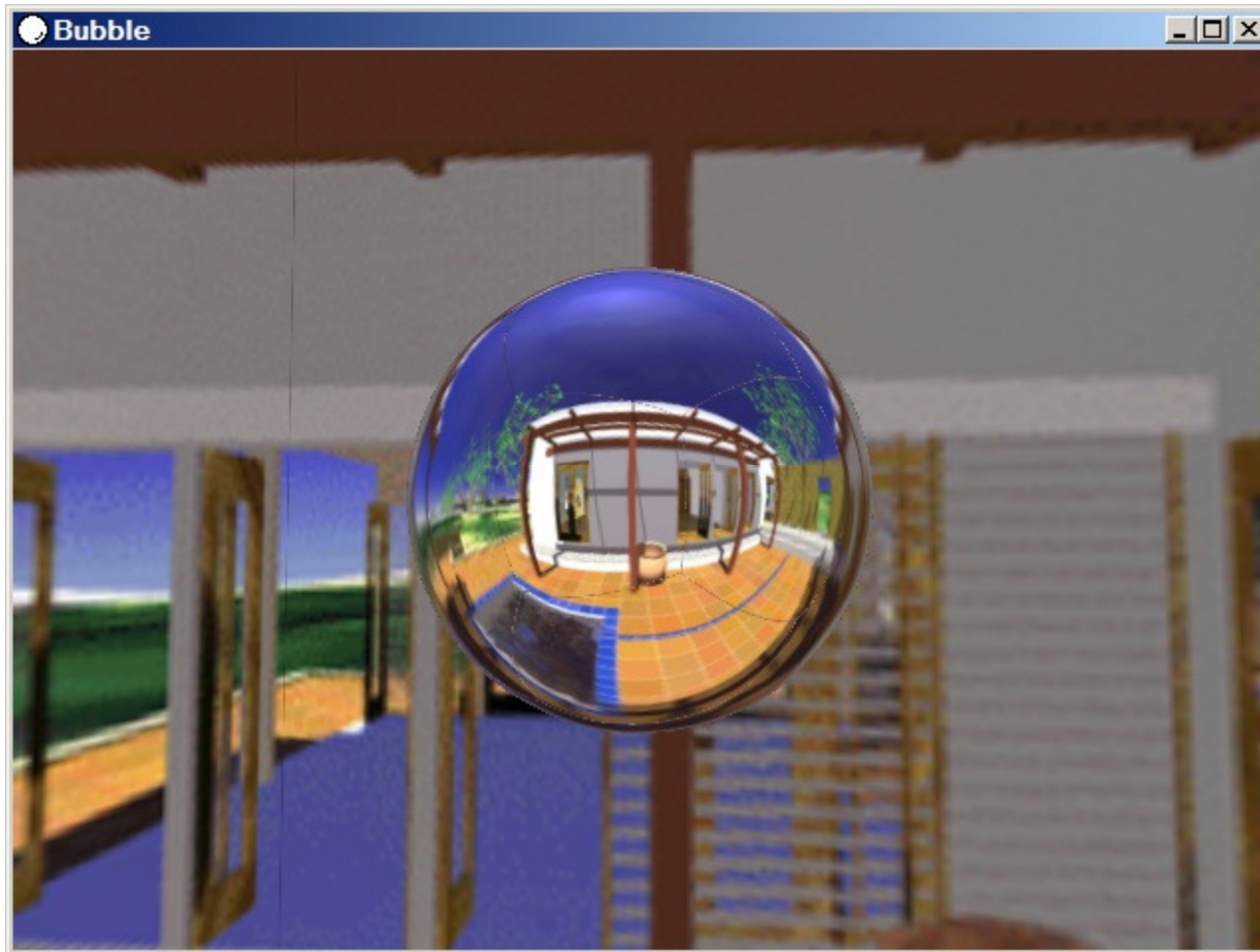
# Cubic vs. Spherical Maps

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- ▶ **Advantages of cube maps:**
  - ▶ More even texel sample density causes less distortion, allowing for lower resolution maps
  - ▶ Easier to dynamically generate cube maps for real-time simulated reflections

# Bubble Demo

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<http://download.nvidia.com/downloads/nZone/demos/nvidia/Bubble.zip>

# Cubic Environment Maps

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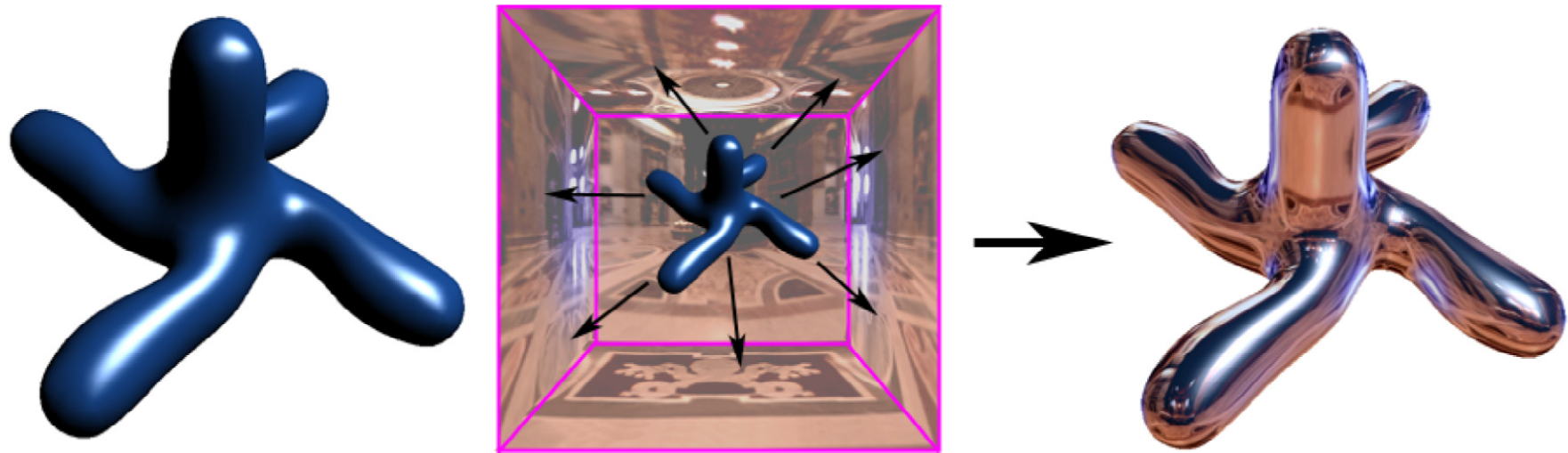
## Cube map look-up

- ▶ Given: light direction  $(x,y,z)$
- ▶ Largest coordinate component determines cube map face
- ▶ Dividing by magnitude of largest component yields coordinates within face
- ▶ In GLSL:
  - ▶ Use  $(x,y,z)$  direction as texture coordinates to `samplerCube`

# Reflection Mapping

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- ▶ Simulates mirror reflection
- ▶ Computes reflection vector at each pixel
- ▶ Use reflection vector to look up cube map
- ▶ Rendering cube map itself is optional (application dependent)



Reflection mapping

# Reflection Mapping in GLSL

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## Application Setup

- ▶ **Load and bind a cube environment map**

```
glBindTexture(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP, ...);  
glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_POSITIVE_X, ...);  
glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_NEGATIVE_X, ...);  
glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_POSITIVE_Y, ...);  
...  
glEnable(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP);
```

# Reflection Mapping in GLSL

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## Vertex shader

- ▶ Compute viewing direction
- ▶ Reflection direction
  - ▶ Use `reflect` function
- ▶ Pass reflection direction to fragment shader

## Fragment shader

- ▶ Look up cube map using interpolated reflection direction

```
varying float3 refl;  
uniform samplerCube envMap;  
textureCube(envMap, refl);
```

# Environment Maps as Light Sources

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▶ Covered so far: shading of a specular surface

→ How do you compute shading of a diffuse surface?



# Diffuse Irradiance Environment Map

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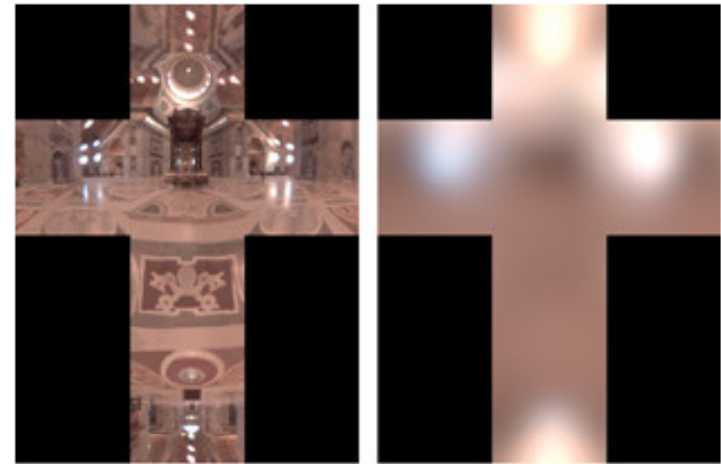
- ▶ Given a scene with  $k$  directional lights, light directions  $d_1..d_k$  and intensities  $i_1..i_k$ , illuminating a diffuse surface with normal  $n$  and color  $c$
- ▶ Pixel intensity  $B$  is computed as: 
$$B = c \sum_{j=1..k} \max(0, d_j \cdot n) i_j$$
- ▶ Cost of computing  $B$  proportional to number of texels in environment map!
- ▶ → Precomputation of diffuse reflection
- ▶ Observations:
  - ▶ All surfaces with normal direction  $n$  will return the same value for the sum
  - ▶ The sum is dependent on just the lights in the scene and the surface normal
- ▶ Precompute sum for any normal  $n$  and store result in a second environment map, indexed by surface normal
- ▶ Second environment map is called *diffuse irradiance environment map*
- ▶ Allows to illuminate objects with arbitrarily complex lighting environments with single texture lookup

# Diffuse Irradiance Environment Map

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- ▶ Two cubic environment maps:

- ▶ reflection map
- ▶ diffuse map



- ▶ Diffuse shading vs. shading w/diffuse map



Source: [http://http.developer.nvidia.com/GPUGems2/gpugems2\\_chapter10.html](http://http.developer.nvidia.com/GPUGems2/gpugems2_chapter10.html)

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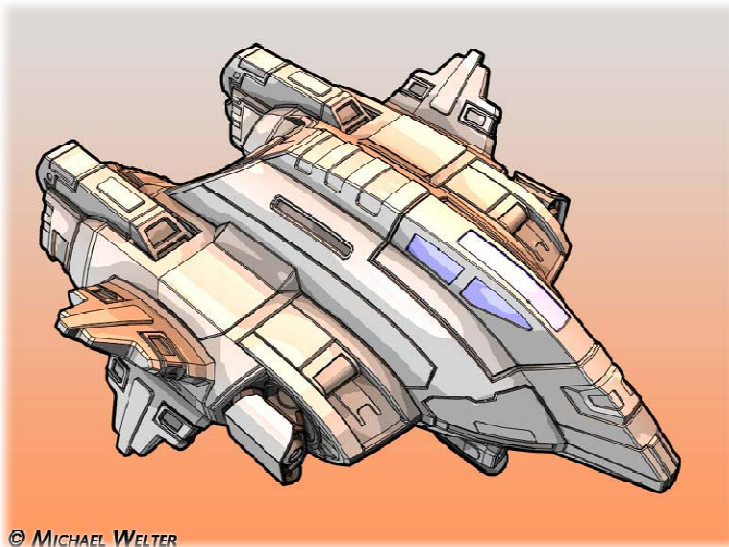
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# Toon Shading

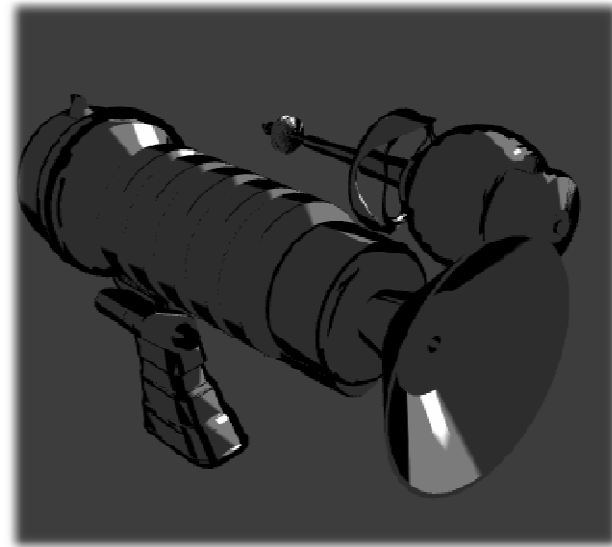
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- ▶ A.k.a. Cel Shading
- ▶ Simple cartoon-style shader
- ▶ Emphasizes silhouettes
- ▶ Discrete steps for diffuse shading, highlights
- ▶ Non-photorealistic rendering method (NPR)



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Off-line toon shader



GLSL toon shader

# Toon Shading Demo

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<http://www.bonzaisoftware.com/npr.html>

# Toon Shading

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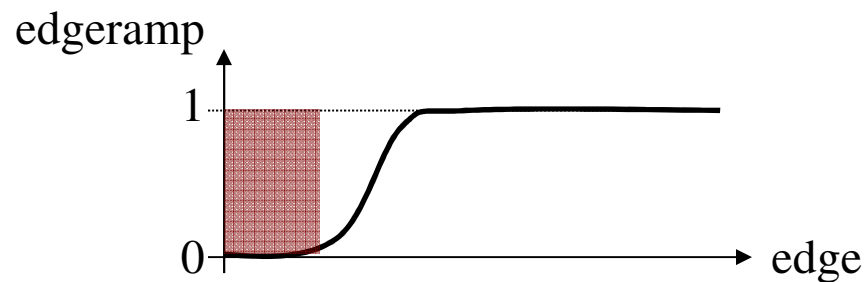
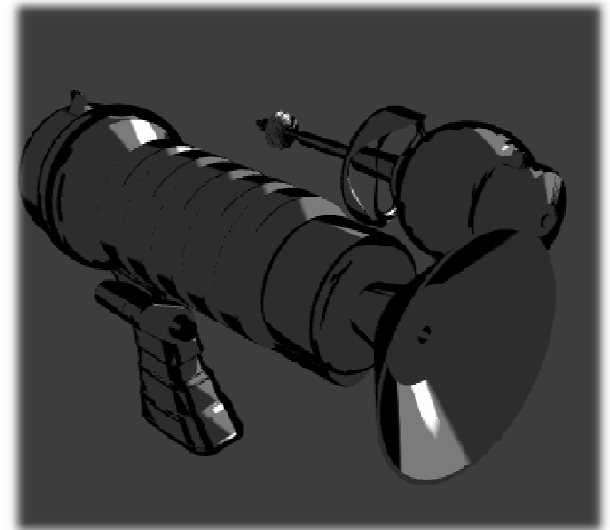
- ▶ Silhouette edge detection

- ▶ Compute dot product of viewing direction  $\mathbf{v}$  and normal  $\mathbf{n}$

$$\text{edge} = \max(0, \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{v})$$

- ▶ Use 1D texture to define edge ramp

```
uniform sampler1D edgeramp; e=texture1D(edgeramp,edge);
```



# Toon Shading

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- ▶ Compute diffuse and specular shading

$$\text{diffuse} = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{L} \quad \text{specular} = (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{h})^s$$

- ▶ Use 1D textures `diffuseramp`, `specularramp` to map diffuse and specular shading to colors

- ▶ Final color:

```
uniform sampler1D diffuseramp;  
uniform sampler1D specularramp;  
c = e * (texture1D(diffuse, diffuseramp) +  
texture1D(specular, specularramp));
```

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# Screen Space Ambient Occlusion

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- ▶ Screen Space Ambient Occlusion = SSAO
- ▶ Rendering technique for approximating ambient occlusion in real time
- ▶ Developed by Vladimir Kajalin while working at Crytek
- ▶ First use in 2007 PC game Crysis



# SSAO Demo

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▶ [Video](#)

# SSAO Algorithm

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- ▶ Copy frame buffer to texture
- ▶ Pixel shader samples depth values around current pixel and tries to compute amount of occlusion
- ▶ Occlusion depends on depth difference between sampled point and current point
- ▶ SSAO shader code from Crysis [available on-line](#)

# SSAO Discussion

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## ▶ Advantages:

- ▶ Independent from scene complexity.
- ▶ No pre-processing, no memory allocation in RAM
- ▶ Works with dynamic scenes
- ▶ Works in the same way for every pixel
- ▶ No CPU usage: executed completely on GPU

## ▶ Disadvantages:

- ▶ Local and view-dependent (dependent on adjacent texel depths)
- ▶ Hard to correctly smooth/blur out noise without interfering with depth discontinuities, such as object edges

# More on Shaders

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- ▶ OpenGL shading language book

- ▶ “Orange Book”

- ▶ Shader Libraries

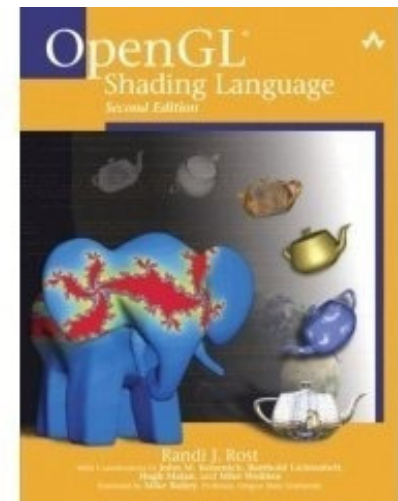
- ▶ GLSL:

- ▶ [http://www.geeks3d.com/geexlab/shader\\_library.php](http://www.geeks3d.com/geexlab/shader_library.php)

- ▶ HLSL:

- ▶ NVidia shader library

- ▶ [http://developer.download.nvidia.com/shaderlibrary/webpages/shader\\_library.html](http://developer.download.nvidia.com/shaderlibrary/webpages/shader_library.html)



# Next Lecture

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- ▶ Shadow mapping