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## Lecture 6: Introduction to lighting

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## Recap: Building CGRA251 Framework

- Integrated development environments (IDEs) on Windows, Mac, Linux and CMake tools




## Recap: Shader Program

- A small C/C++ style (GLSL) program to control parts of the graphics pipeline
- Consists of 2 (or more) separate parts:
- Vertex shader controls vertex transformation.
- Fragment shader controls fragment shading.


## Why Do We Care About Lighting?



Lighting "dis-ambiguates" 3D scenes

Without lighting


With lighting

## What is light?

- Light is Electromagnetic Energy
- Light comes from many different sources
- Some items produce light while others reflect light


## Light: introduction

## Light is both a wave and a particle:



By Hamamatsu at http://photonterrace.net/en/photon/history/

## The Nature of light



As a wave:

- A small disturbance in an electric field creates a small magnetic field, which in turn creates a small electric field, and so on
- Light propagates itself "by its bootstraps!"
- Light waves can interfere with other light waves, canceling or amplifying them!
- The color of light is determined by its wavelength
- Light is radiant energy.
- Travels very fast $300,000 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{sec}$ !
- Can be described either as a wave or as a particle traveling through space.

As a particle:

- Particles of light (photons) travel through space.
- These photons have very specific energies.
that is, light is quantized.
- Photons strike your eye (or other sensors) like a very small bullet, and are detected.


## Lighting

- Lighting or illumination is the deliberate use of light to achieve a practical or aesthetic effect
- Illumination model
- Models deal with physical interactions between
- lights, geometry, materials, textures, transparency, interaction with (within) surface, etc
- Simulate light (photons) interacting through the scene



## Lighting Principles

- Lighting simulates how objects reflect light
- material composition of object
- light's color and position
- global lighting parameters
- Usually implemented in
- vertex shader for faster speed
- fragment shader for nicer shading


## The Normal

A surface normal is a vector perpendicular to the surface.
Sometimes surface normals are defined or computed per-face. 2

Sometimes they are defined per-vertex to best approximate the underlying surface that the face is representing.

## Recap: Points and Vectors

- The rendering pipeline transforms vertices, normals, colors, texture coordinates
- Points (e.g. vertices) specify a location in space
- Vector (e.g. normal) specify a direction
- Relations between points and vectors
- point - point $=$ vector
- point + vector = point
- vector + vector = vector
- point + point $=$ not defined
- $p=P 1-P 2, P 1=P 2+p$


## Homogeneous coordinates:

if $w==1$, then the vector $(x, y, z, 1)$ is a position in space.
If $\mathbf{w}==\mathbf{0}$, then the vector $(x, y, z, 0)$ is a direction.

## Dot and Cross Product

- Dot product $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$ :
$\left(\begin{array}{l}a_{x} \\ a_{y} \\ a_{z}\end{array}\right) \cdot\left(\begin{array}{l}b_{x} \\ b_{y} \\ b_{z}\end{array}\right)=a_{x} b_{x}+a_{y} b_{y}+a_{z} b_{z}$
$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}=0$, if v and w are perpendicular,
If both are normalized, it is directly the cosine of the angle between them: $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}=\|\mathbf{a}\|\| \| \| \cos \theta$
- Cross product axb

$$
\left(\begin{array}{l}
a_{x} \\
a_{y} \\
a_{z}
\end{array}\right) \times\left(\begin{array}{l}
b_{x} \\
b_{y} \\
b_{z}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{l}
a_{y} b_{z}-b_{y} a_{z} \\
a_{z} b_{x}-b_{z} a_{x} \\
a_{x} b_{y}-b_{x} a_{y}
\end{array}\right)
$$

Results in a vector that is perpendicular to both of them

## Vector Normalization

- To compute a new vector pointing in the same direction but unit length
- Normalized vector = unit vector
- Divide each component of $\mathbf{v}$ by ||v\|


## GLSL examples: vec3

```
vec3 a;
a.s = 1.0, a.t = 2.0; a.p = 3.0; // a = (1, 2, 3)
vec3 b = vec3(4.0, 5.0, 6.0);
vec3 c = a + b; // c = (5, 7, 9)
vec3 d = a - b; // d = (-3, -3, -3)
vec3 e = a * b; // e = (4, 10, 18)
vec3 f = a * 3; // e = (3, 6, 9)
float g = dot(a,b); // g = 32
vec3 h = cross(a,b); // h = (-3,6,-3)
float i = length(a); // i = 3.742
```

$a \cdot x=10.0 ; a \cdot y=20.0 ; a \cdot z=30.0 ; \quad / / a=(10,20,30)$
a.r $=0.1 ; \quad \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{g}=0.2 ; \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{b}=0.3 ; \quad / / \mathrm{a}=(0.1,0.2,0.3)$

Dot: angle between two lines

$$
\left(\begin{array}{l}
a_{x} \\
a_{y} \\
a_{z}
\end{array}\right) \cdot\left(\begin{array}{l}
b_{x} \\
b_{y} \\
b_{z}
\end{array}\right)=a_{x} \cdot b_{x}+a_{y} b_{y}+a_{z} \cdot b_{z}
$$

Cross: line perpendicular to two lines:

$$
\left(\begin{array}{l}
a_{x} \\
a_{y} \\
a_{z}
\end{array}\right) \times\left(\begin{array}{l}
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\end{array}\right)
$$

Length (magnitude): $\quad c=\sqrt{ }\left(c_{x}{ }^{2}+c_{y}{ }^{2}+c_{z}{ }^{2}\right)$

## Surface Normals

- Normals define how a surface reflects light
- Application usually provides normals as a vertex atttribute
- Current normal is used to compute vertex's color
- Use unit normals for proper lighting
- scaling affects a normal's length



## Surface Normal

- A surface normal of a triangle can be calculated by taking the vector cross product of two edges of that triangles

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{u}=\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{2}}-\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{1}} \\
& \mathbf{v}=\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{3}}-\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{1}} \\
& \mathbf{n}=\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} \\
& \mathrm{n}_{\mathrm{x}}=\mathrm{u}_{\mathrm{y}} \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{z}}-\mathrm{u}_{\mathrm{z}} \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{y}} \\
& \mathrm{n}_{\mathrm{y}}=\mathrm{u}_{\mathrm{z}} \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{x}}-\mathrm{u}_{\mathrm{x}} \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{z}} \\
& \mathrm{n}_{\mathrm{z}}=\mathrm{u}_{\mathrm{x}} \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{y}}-\mathrm{u}_{\mathrm{y}} \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{x}}
\end{aligned}
$$



## Vertex Normal

- Normalized sum of surface normals at the vertex

$$
\mathbf{n}=\frac{\mathbf{n}_{f 1}+\mathbf{n}_{f 2}+\mathbf{n}_{f 3}+\ldots+\mathbf{n}_{f n}}{\|\mathbf{n}\|}
$$

* Each surface normal should be unit vectors

$$
\|\mathbf{n}\|=\sqrt{\mathbf{n}_{x}^{2}+\mathbf{n}_{y}^{2}+\mathbf{n}_{z}^{2}}
$$



## Shading Model

- Flat shading
- Evaluate lighting per vertex using surface normal
- Gouraud shading
- Evaluate lighting per vertex using vertex normal
- Phong shading
- Evaluate lighting per fragment using interpolated normal


## A typical Lighting configuration



## Simple shading model: components

- Illumination model express the components of light "reflected from" or "transmitted through" (refracted or scattered) a surface
- We will deal with three basic lit components
- Ambient
- Diffuse
- Specular



## Diffuse reflection

- Diffuse
- Incident light is reflected into all directions
- Photons are scattered equally in all directions
- Diffusely reflected light is typically for dull, matte surface such a paper, chalk or chalkboard



## Diffuse reflection



* Spreading out the same amount of light energy across more surface area


## Diffuse reflection

- Component of diffuse reflection is based on Lambert's law
- radiant intensity reflected from a fully diffuse $i_{\text {diff }}=\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{l}=\cos \theta$ surface is proportional to the angle between
light direction I and surface normal $\mathbf{n}$

O light source



## In the CGRA251 Framework



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## default_frag.gls|

```
#version 330 core
// uniform data
uniform mat4 uProjectionMatrix;
uniform mat4 uModelViewMatrix;
// viewspace data (this must match the output of the fragment shader)
in VertexData {
    vec3 position;
```

    vec3 normal;
    \} f_in;
// framebuffer output
out vec4 fb_color;
void main() \{
// calculate shading
vec3 surfaceColor $=$ vec3(0.066, 0.341, 0.215);
vec3 eye = normalize(-†_in.position); // direction towards the eye
float light = abs(dot(normalize(f_in.normal), eye)); // difference between the surface normal
and direction towards the eye
vec3 finalColor = mix(surfaceColor / 4, surfaceColor, light);
// output to the frambuffer
fb_color = vec4(finalColor, 1);
\}


## Specular highlights

- Specular
- Deals with reflection into a dominant direction causing highlights effect on the surface
- Produce shiny spot on the surface such as billiard ball

[Image from real time rendering book]


## Simple Light Source Models

- Simple mathematical models:
- Point Light
- Directional Light
- Spot Light
- Two other light properties
- Ambient Light
- Emission



## Point Light

- A light source originating from a zero-volume point in the scene
- Emit light in all direction from a point



## Directional Light

- A light infinitely far away from the scene only having direction
- Often for emulating sunlight



## Spot Light

- A light source originating from a zero volume point and direct to the scene
- Direction : the light is focused on
- Cutoff : angle that defines light cone
- Exponent : Concentration of the light
(Brightest around the center)



## Illumination Model in OpenGL

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## Phong Illumination Model

- Phong illumination model is combination of
- Ambient $i_{\text {amb }}+$ Diffuse $i_{\text {diff }}+$ Specular terms $i_{\text {sepc }}$
- Developed by Bui Tuong Phong at Univ. Utah 1973

$$
\mathbf{I}=k_{a} i_{a}+k_{d} i_{d}(\mathbf{n} \bullet \mathbf{l})+k_{s} i_{s}(\mathbf{r} \bullet \mathbf{v})^{m_{s h i}}
$$

- $k_{a} k_{d} k_{s}$ are material properties having RGB components



## Ambient Lighting

- Light incident to surface is not only along direct path from light sources. Many inter-reflections are modeled as a lumped omnidirectional source
$\rightarrow$ Indirect lighting (global illumination)
- Ambient light approximate indirect illumination using a constant intensity from all directions
- Ambient lights in OpenGL

$$
\mathbf{i}_{a m b}=\mathbf{m}_{a m b} \otimes \mathbf{s}_{a m b}
$$

$m_{\text {amb }}$ is the color of the object
$\mathbf{s}_{\text {amb }}$ is the color of the light source


## Ambient Lighting

Fragment shader:


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O light source

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## Diffuse Lighting

## Fragment shader:

```
```

\#version 330 core

```
```

\#version 330 core
out vec4 color;
out vec4 color;
in vec3 fragNormal;
in vec3 fragNormal;
const vec3 lightDir = vec3(0.25, 0.25, -1);
const vec3 lightDir = vec3(0.25, 0.25, -1);
const vec3 lightColor = vec3(1, 1, 1);
const vec3 lightColor = vec3(1, 1, 1);
const vec3 objectColor = vec3(1, 0, 0);
const vec3 objectColor = vec3(1, 0, 0);
void main() {
void main() {
float ambientStrength = 0.1;
float ambientStrength = 0.1;
vec3 ambient = ambientStrength * lightColor;
vec3 ambient = ambientStrength * lightColor;
vec3 norm = normalize(fragNormal);
vec3 norm = normalize(fragNormal);
vec3 lightDir = normalize(-lightDir);
vec3 lightDir = normalize(-lightDir);
float diff = max(dot(norm, lightDir), 0.0);
float diff = max(dot(norm, lightDir), 0.0);
vec3 diffuse = diff * lightColor;
vec3 diffuse = diff * lightColor;
vec3 result = (ambient + diffuse) * objectColor;
vec3 result = (ambient + diffuse) * objectColor;
color = vec4(result, 1.0);
color = vec4(result, 1.0);
}

```
```

}

```
```

Result:


O light source

$i_{d i f f}=\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{l}=\cos \theta$

## Specular reflection

- Make a surface look shiny by creating highlights
- Highlight visualize surface curvature
- Highlight is determined by location of light and view
$\rightarrow$ Shape from shading (computer vision)
- Diffuse vs Specular
- Deals with reflection into a dominant direction causing highlights effect on the surface
- Produce shiny spot on the surface such as billiard ball



## Phong Model: Specular reflection

- For shiny surface, incident photons tend to bounce off in the reflection direction $r$

$$
i_{\text {spec }}=(\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{v})^{m_{s h i}}=(\cos \rho)^{m_{s h i}}
$$

- If $r$ is closer to $v$, specularity gets stronger $\rightarrow$ view dep.
- $r$ needs to be computed

- If $(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{l})<0$, surface faces away from light $\rightarrow$ no effect



## Shininess control

- $\mathrm{m}_{\text {shi }}$ controls shininess
- If $\mathrm{m}_{\text {shi }}$ is 1 , cosine curve is produced between two vectors ( $\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{v}$ ) or ( $\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{h}$ )
- When $m_{\text {shi }}$ gets larger, small but strong highlight
- Look reasonable but may not accurate

[Image from real time rendering book]


## Specular Lighting

Fragment shader:

```
#version 330 core
out vec4 color;
in vec3 fragPosition;
in vec3 fragNormal;
const vec3 lightDir = vec3(0.25, 0.25, -1);
const vec3 lightColor = vec3(1, 1, 1);
const vec3 objectColor = vec3(1, 0, 0);
void main() {
    float ambientStrength = 0.1;
    vec3 ambient = ambientStrength * lightColor;
    vec3 norm = normalize(fragNormal);
    vec3 lightDir = normalize(-lightDir);
    float diff = max(dot(norm, lightDir), 0.0);
    vec3 diffuse = diff * lightColor;
    float specularStrength = 0.5;
    vec3 reflectDir = reflect(-lightDir, norm);
    vec3 viewDir = normalize(-fragPosition);
    float spec = pow(max(dot(viewDir, reflectDir), 0.0), 32);
    vec3 specular = specularStrength * spec * lightColor;
    vec3 result = (ambient + diffuse + specular) * objectColor;
    color = vec4(result, 1.0);
```

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$i_{\text {spec }}=(\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{v})^{m_{s t i}}=(\cos \rho)^{m_{s i d}}$

