Texture Mapping

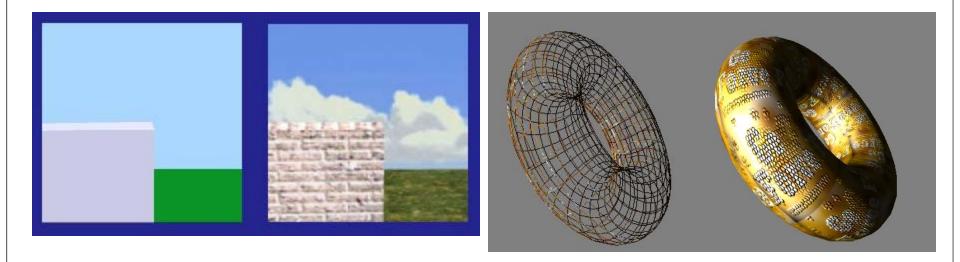
Texture Mapping

To enhance the visual effect of an object, trade photo-realism for efficiency

→<u>Texture Mapping</u>: texture wrapped on the object

• To add pseudo-realism to shiny animated objects by causing their surrounding environment to be reflected in them

→ Environment mapping: texture moved as the objects moved

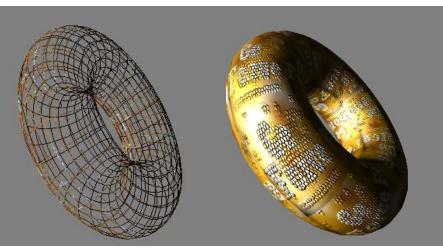


Various Mapping Techniques in CG

- 2D texture mapping
- Bump mapping
- Light maps
- Environment or reflection mapping

Store information in a domain \rightarrow for the (later) rendering

Texture Mapping is cheap, while global illumination computation is totally different and much more expensive



Texture Properties

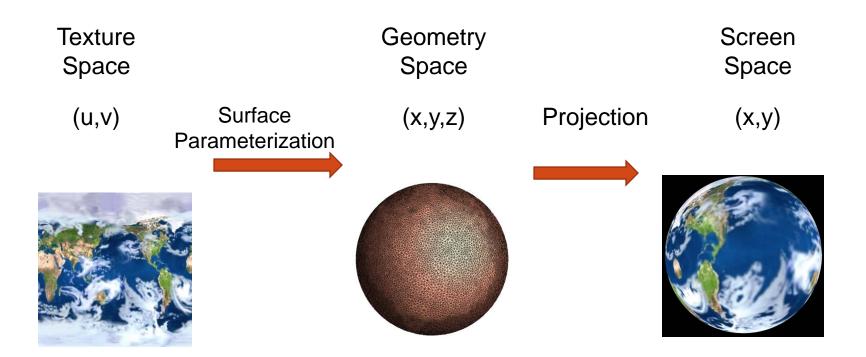
What can be texture? What can be modulated with texture mapping?

- Color
- Specular Color
 - for environment reflection mapping
- Normal Vector Perturbation
 - Bump mapping
- Displacement along surface normal
 - Displacement mapping
- Transparency
 - Etched glass where a shiny surface is roughened (to cause opacity) with some decorative pattern



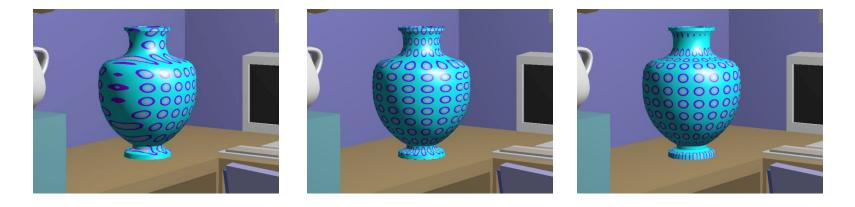


Mapping Among Different Spaces



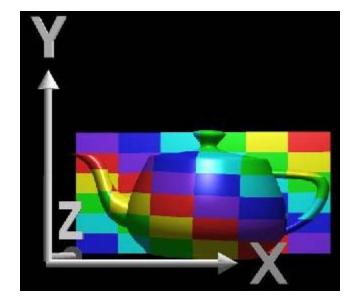
Intermediate Mapping Methods

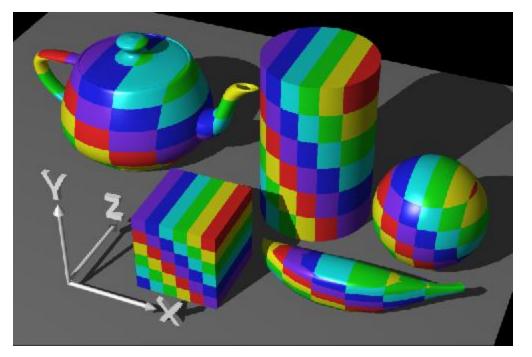
Based on projection
Project both the model and the texture image onto an intermediate surface



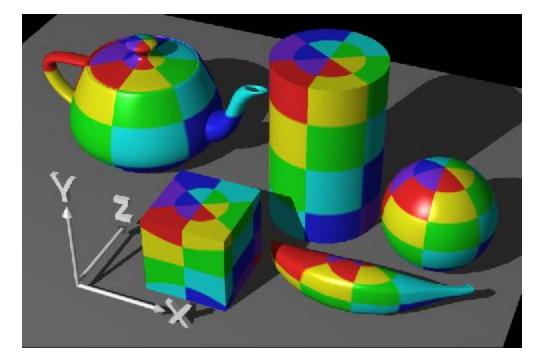
Examples of two-part texture mapping. The intermediate surfaces are (left) a plane; (middle) a cylinder; and (right) a sphere.

Plane Projection

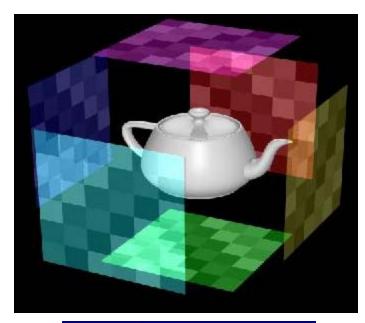


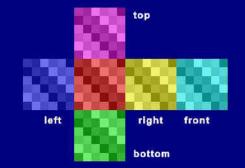


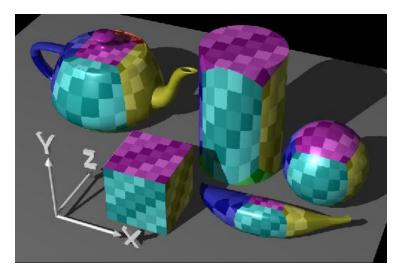
Cylinder Projection



Cube Projection







When will the projection method fail?



Solution: Intrinsic Parameterization Methods (later)

Bump Mapping and Normal Mapping

Bump Mapping : to enable a (low resolution) surface to

- Appear as if it were wrinkled or dimpled
- Without the need to model these depressions geometrically
- \rightarrow modify normal according to info in 2D bump map
- Problem: geometry doesn't change, silhouette follows original geometry

Normal mapping : use "normal" to enrich details



The Nature of Light and Perception

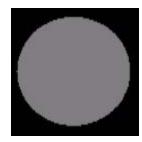
- Perception: what you can see isn't based on the objects that you are viewing but on the rays of light cast from a light source and reflected from those objects.
 - your eyes don't directly see objects as there is no physical correlation between your eyes and those objects.
- the light rays originate from an energy source (e.g. sun, lamp) →
 - you visually perceive an object = it is the rays of light reflected or scattered off that object that your eyes absorb.

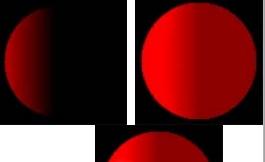
Four types of lights in OpenGL

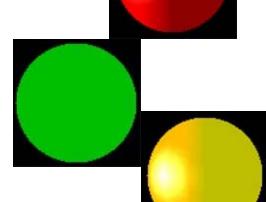
- Lights from the light source:

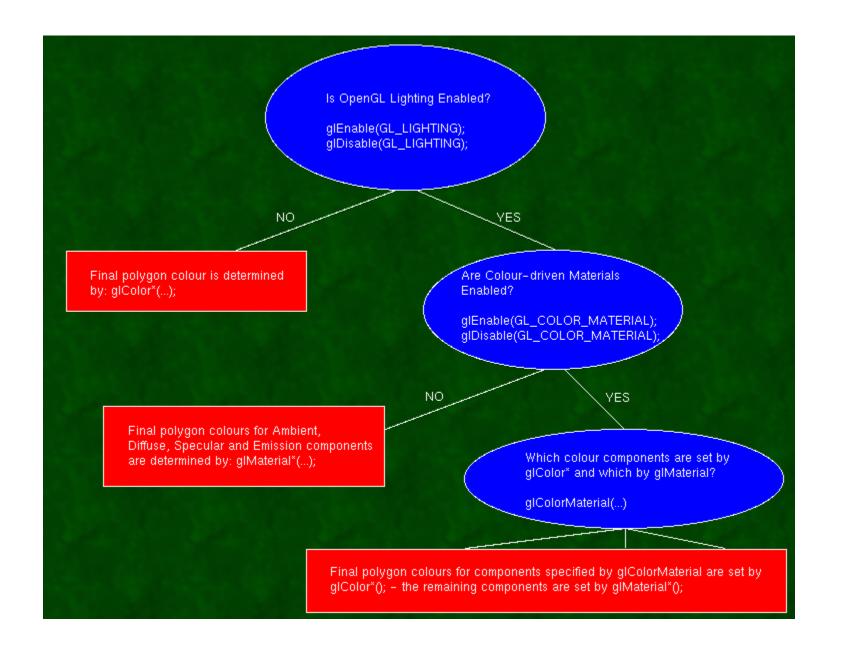
 AMBIENT LIGHT
 light scattered, averagely brightens up
 the whole room
 DIFFUSE LIGHT
 - directional light cast by a light source
 - 3) SPECULAR LIGHT reflects off the surface in a sharp and uniform way
- Lights from the object:
 4) EMISSIVE LIGHT : being emitted by an object

A Good Tutorial: http://www.falloutsoftware.com/tutorials/gl/gl8.htm









How does the normal work?

• About the lighting:

• B = N • L

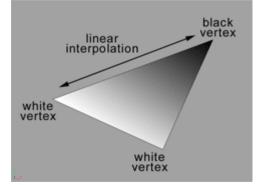
(brightness ← normal dot product light vector)

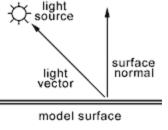
Gouraud shading: (in most real-time video game models, and openGL)

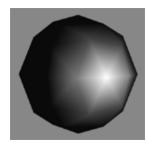
only compute the normal and lighting on vertices
 <u>linear interpolate</u> the lighting on interior pixels

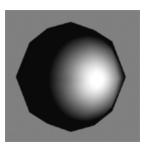
With normal texture:

>per-pixel lighting (on each pixel, we have normal now)

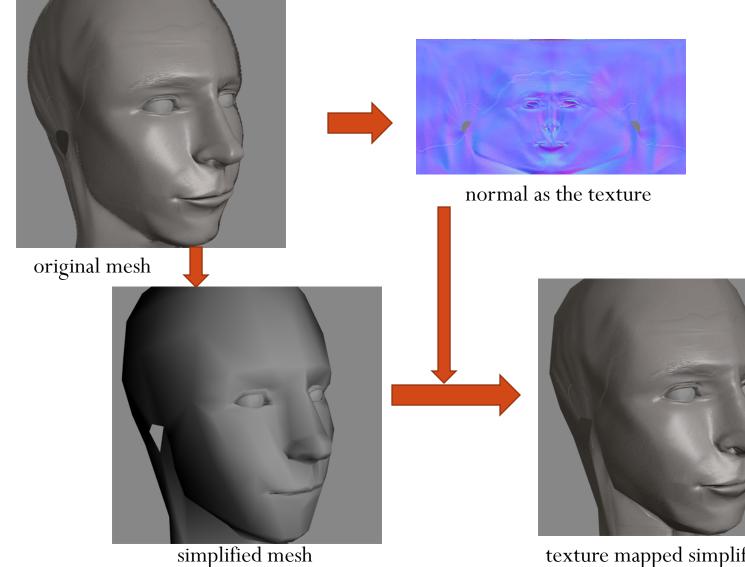








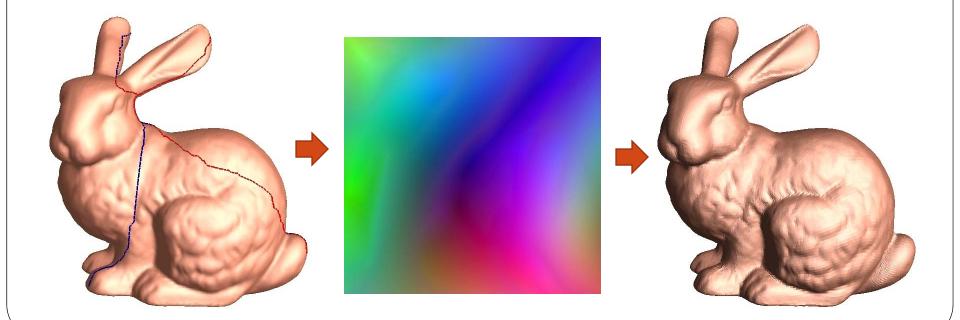
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texture mapped simplified mesh

Geometry as texture

- Geometry Image [Gu, Gortler, and Hoppe, SIGGraph02]
 - Store the geometry (x,y,z) of each vertex → (r,g,b) in the texture space
 - Work for general surfaces, but need a cutting preprocess
 - Good cutting \rightarrow less distortion
 - An intuitive topological method to generate the cut



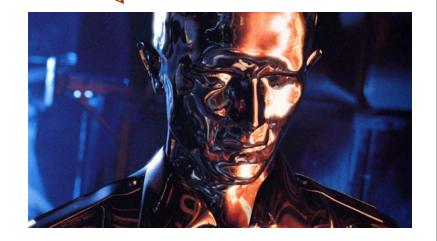
Environment Mapping

--Some surfaces texture should reflect the surrounding (example: Movie "Terminator")

also called "reflection mapping"

 \rightarrow a shortcut to rendering shiny objects that reflect its surrounding environment

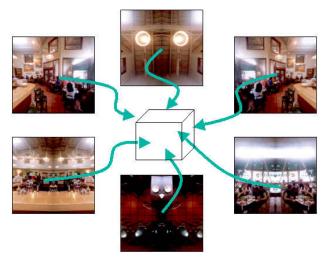
- Ray tracing process → map construction (offline) + indexing (online)
- Nearly every 3D computer game today uses this form of texture mapping
- Not a single image wrapped onto the surface:
 - when the viewer position changes, or the object moves → the reflection changes
 - should map surface points to an appropriate reflected direction in the 360 degree environment surrounding the object

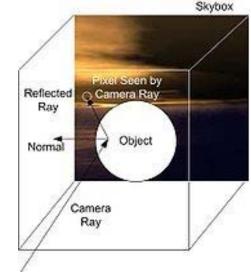


Codes Demo

Environment Mapping (cont.)

- Common Mapping Techniques for Environment Mapping:
 - Sphere Mapping
 - Cubic Mapping
- Environment texture
 - Pre-computed and stored by projections
 - indexed by a 3D direction vector
- Problems:
 - Geometrically correct when objects is small w.r.t. the environment (o/w lighting might change)
 - Only reflect the environment not itself \rightarrow wrong for concave objects (why?)
 - Separate maps are required for different objects in one scene (why?)





Light Mapping

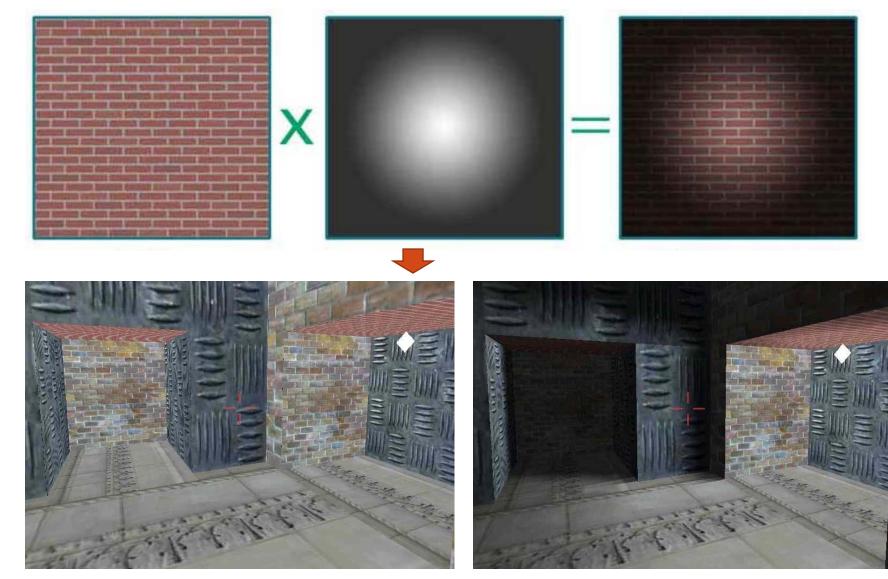
- To enable lighting to be pre-calculated and stored as a two-dimensional texture map
 - Pre-compute:
 - Vertex brightness using distance from each vertex to a light
 - Pixel brightness using multitexture when texture map is also used
 - Shading \rightarrow Indexing
 - Can stored separately from other texture maps with lower resolution

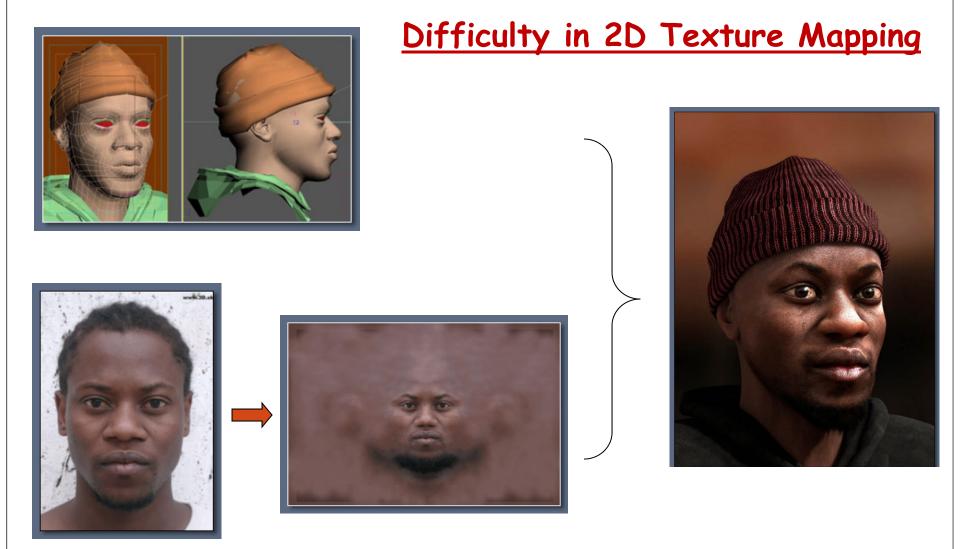
Example: Quake (a first-person shooter video game)



 \Box Moving objects? \rightarrow multiple maps + interpolation

Light Mapping (cont.)

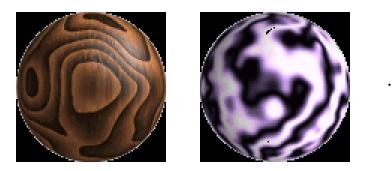




Need low-distorted mapping, sometimes not easy to compute!

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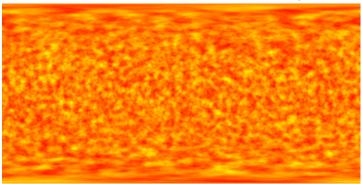
Check the paper: [Perlin Noise 1985], google "Perlin Noise" – using noise function to simulate turbulence

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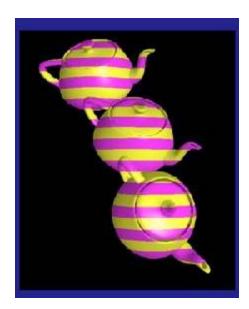


3D Texture (cont.)

Big visual difference:

-- Texture moving with the object





Next:

The surface mapping (parameterization) problem:

How to control the distortion? (What distortion?) How about other issues - boundary continuity, poles?

