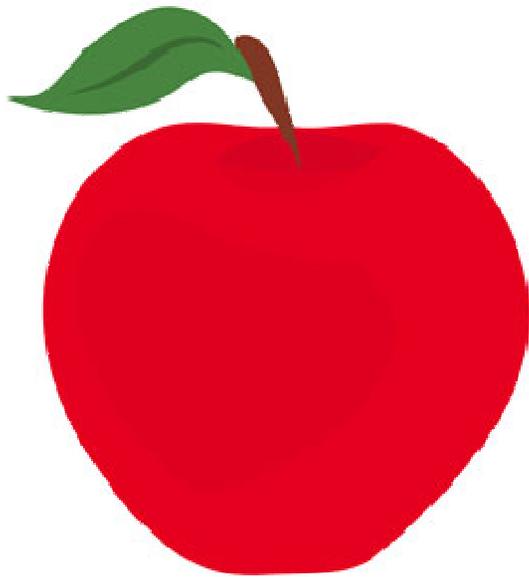


CS 354

Lighting

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What makes an apple red?



Child's view:
“an apple is red”

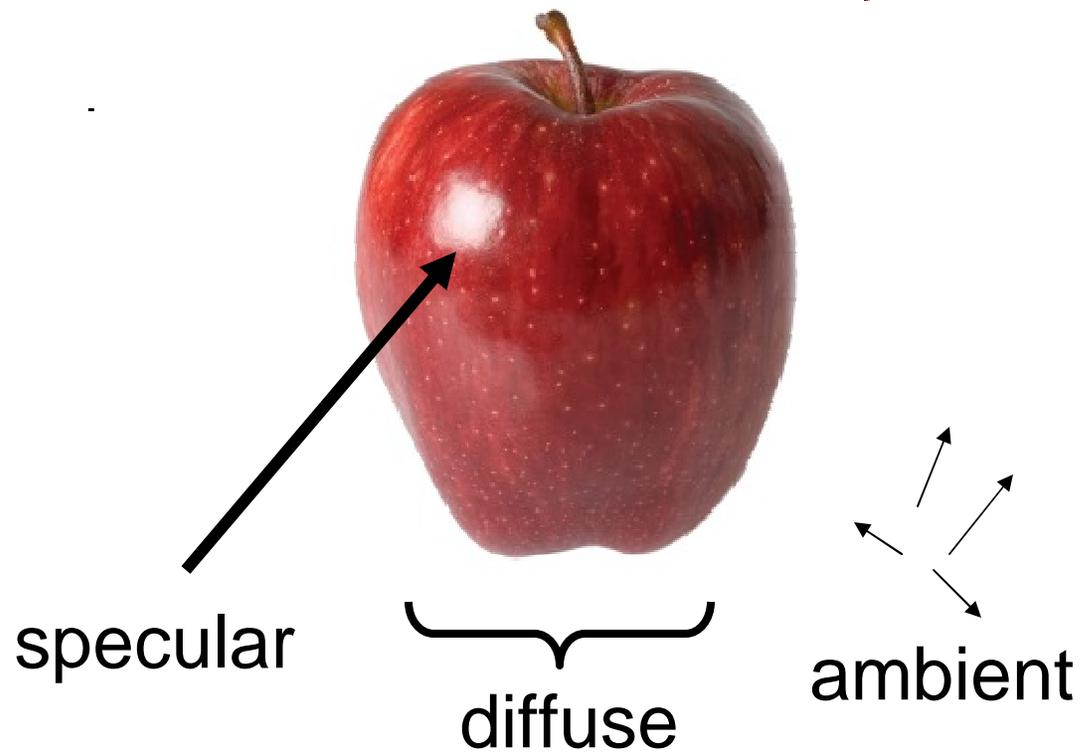


Image synthesis view:
“light, surface, and material interact to reflect light perceived as color, modeled via simplifying assumptions”

Complex Realistic Lighting



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OptiX

Why lighting?

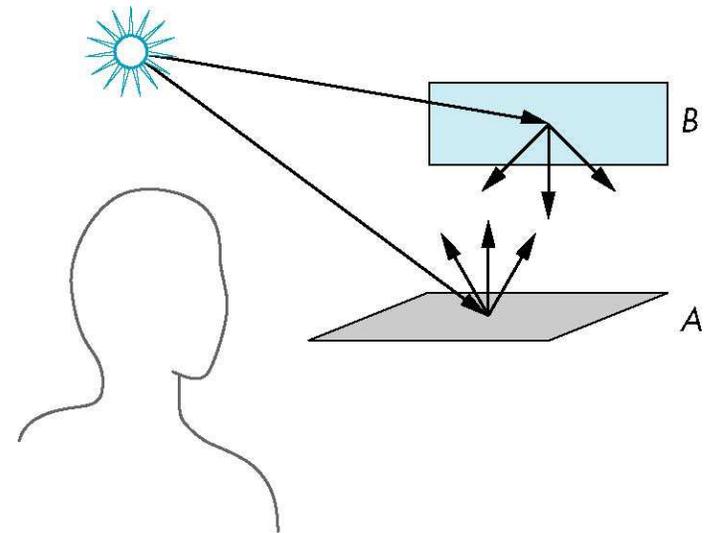
- Convey sense of surface roughness/smoothness
- Convey sense of material
 - Visual appearance of plastic is different than copper or ebony
- Realism
- Emotion

Teapots rendered with different material parameters

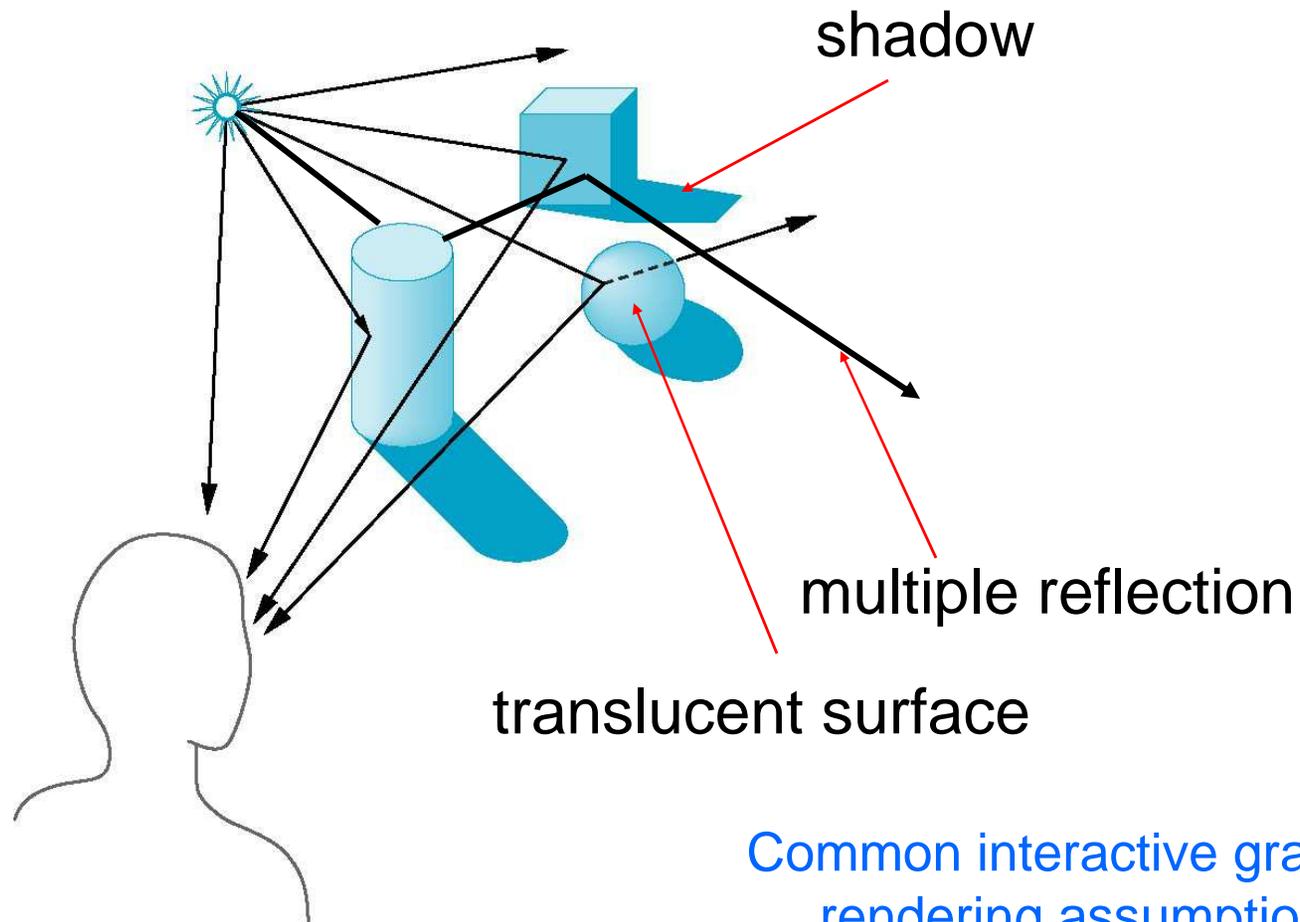


Light Scatters

- Light strikes A
 - Some scattered
 - Some absorbed
- Some of scattered light strikes B
 - Some scattered
 - Some absorbed
- Some of this scattered light strikes A and so on
 - Inherently recursive
 - Massively parallel
 - Points to the **ray tracing** methodology for rendering



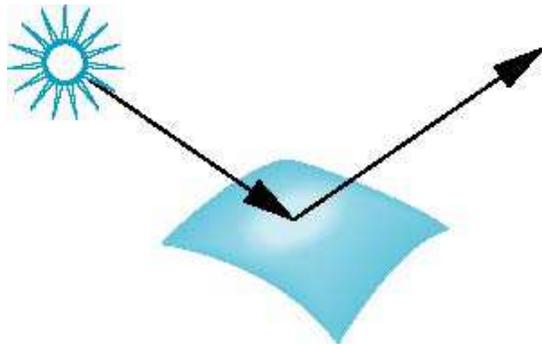
Global Lighting Effects



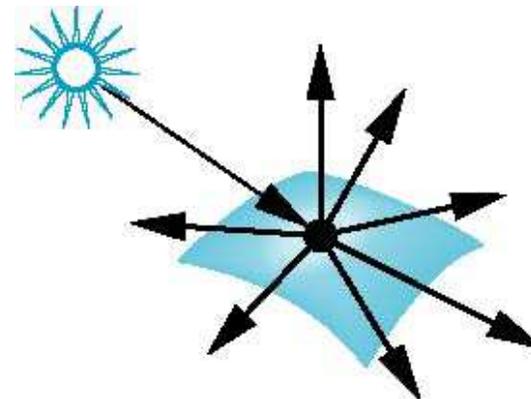
Common interactive graphics
rendering assumption:
only model local lighting effects

Surface Types

- Smooth surfaces reflect like mirrors
- Rough surfaces scatter light
- *Real surfaces act as mixture of both*



**Smooth reflective
surface**



**Rough diffuse
surface**

Emissive Light

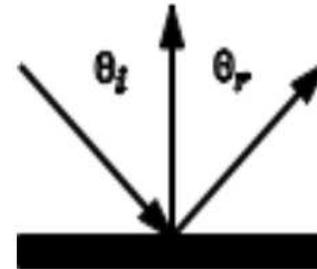
- Certain objects emit light
 - Various reasons: incandescence, burning, fluorescence, phosphorescence
 - Typically models as a emissive color



Types of Reflected Light

■ Mirror reflection

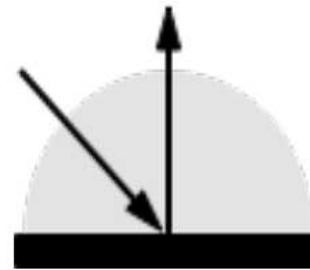
- Ideal reflection
- Reflection Law



Phong
lighting

■ Diffuse reflection

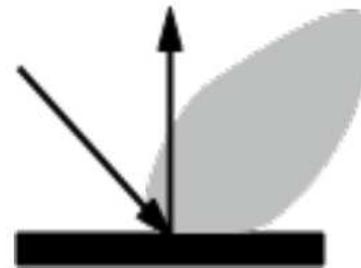
- Matte, flat finish
- Lambert's Law



Lambertian
lighting

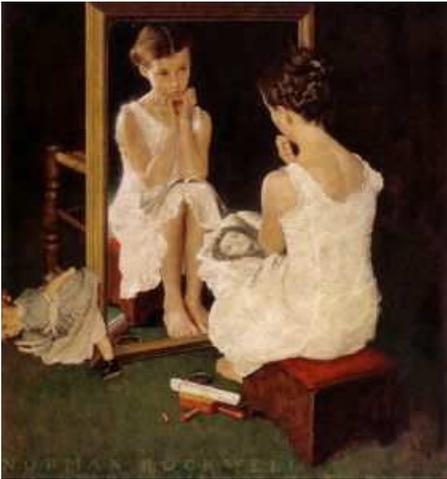
■ Specular

- Highlights and gloss
- Micro-facet model

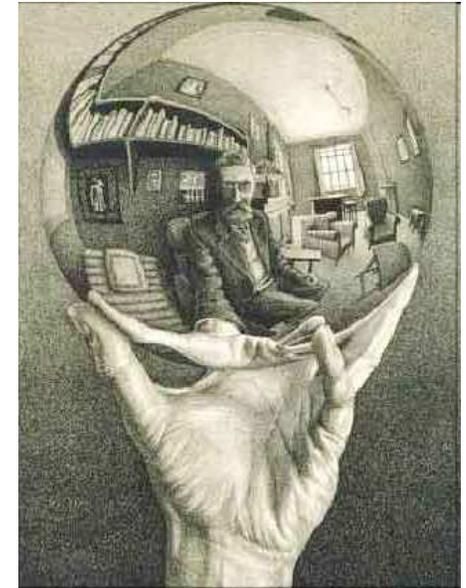
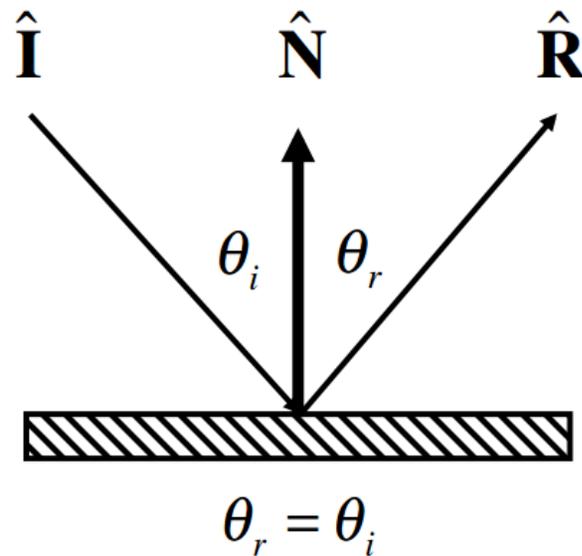


Blinn
lighting

Mirror: Law of Reflection



Planar reflectance



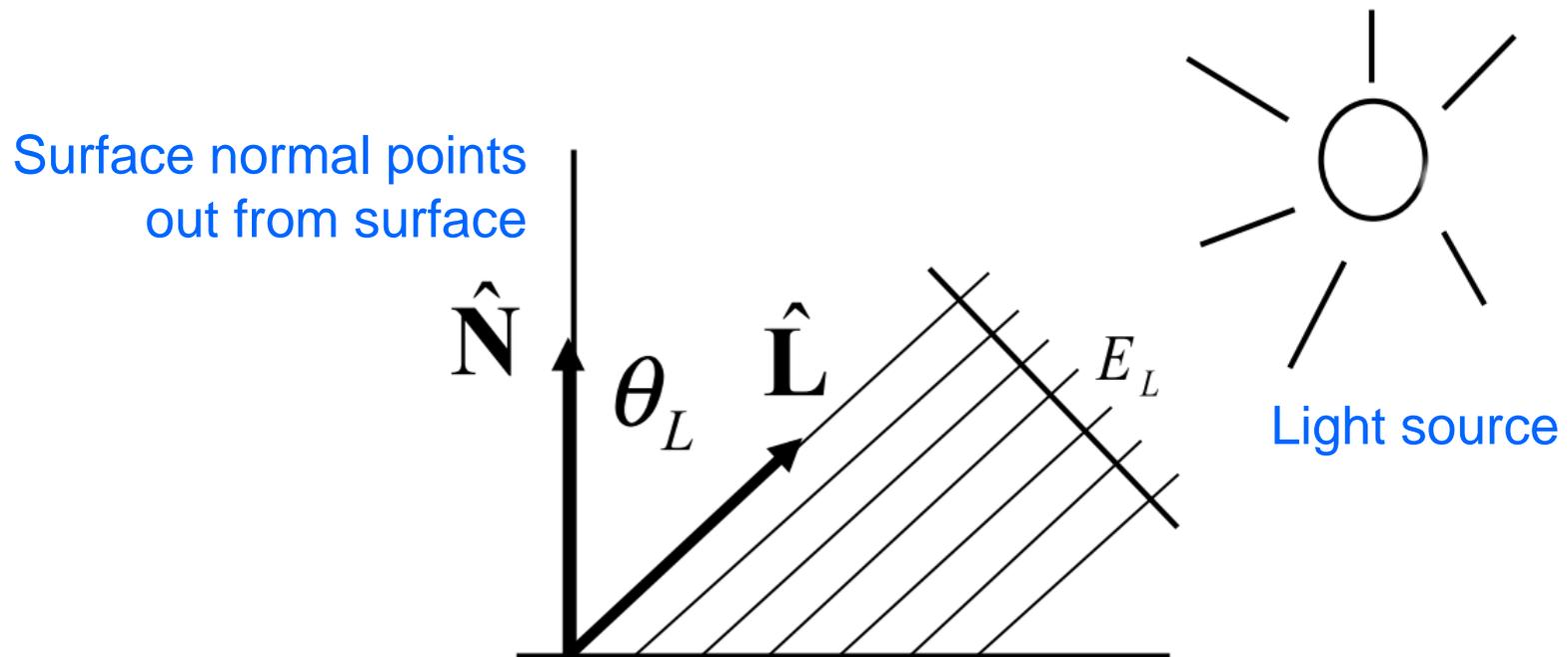
Spherical reflectance

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} + (-\hat{\mathbf{I}}) = 2 \cos \theta_i \hat{\mathbf{N}} = -2(\hat{\mathbf{I}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{N}}) \hat{\mathbf{N}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \hat{\mathbf{I}} - 2(\hat{\mathbf{I}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{N}}) \hat{\mathbf{N}}$$

Angle of incidence = angle of reflection

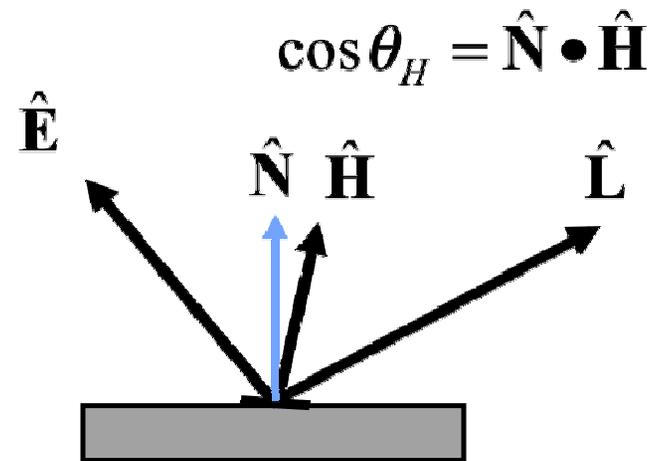
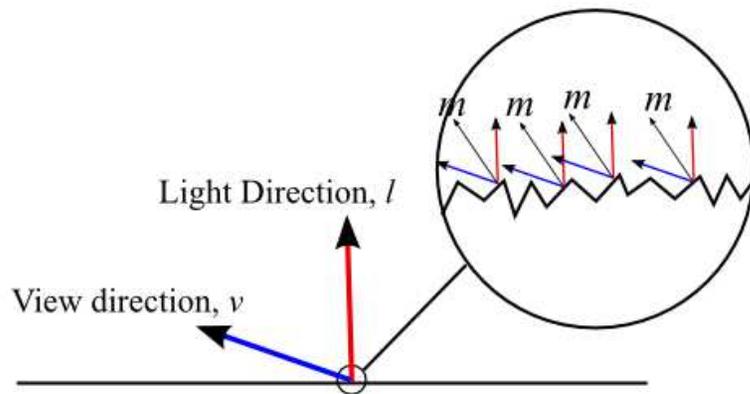
Lambert's Law, or Diffuse Illumination



$$\begin{aligned} \textit{diffuse} &= \max(0, \hat{\mathbf{N}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{L}}) \\ &= \cos \theta_L \end{aligned}$$

Micro-facet Specular

- Think of the surface as have a statistical distribution of facet orientations
 - OpenGL's fixed-function specular model



$$\cos \theta_H = \hat{\mathbf{N}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{H}}$$

Halfway vector
$$\hat{\mathbf{H}} = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{L}} + \hat{\mathbf{E}}}{|\hat{\mathbf{L}} + \hat{\mathbf{E}}|}$$

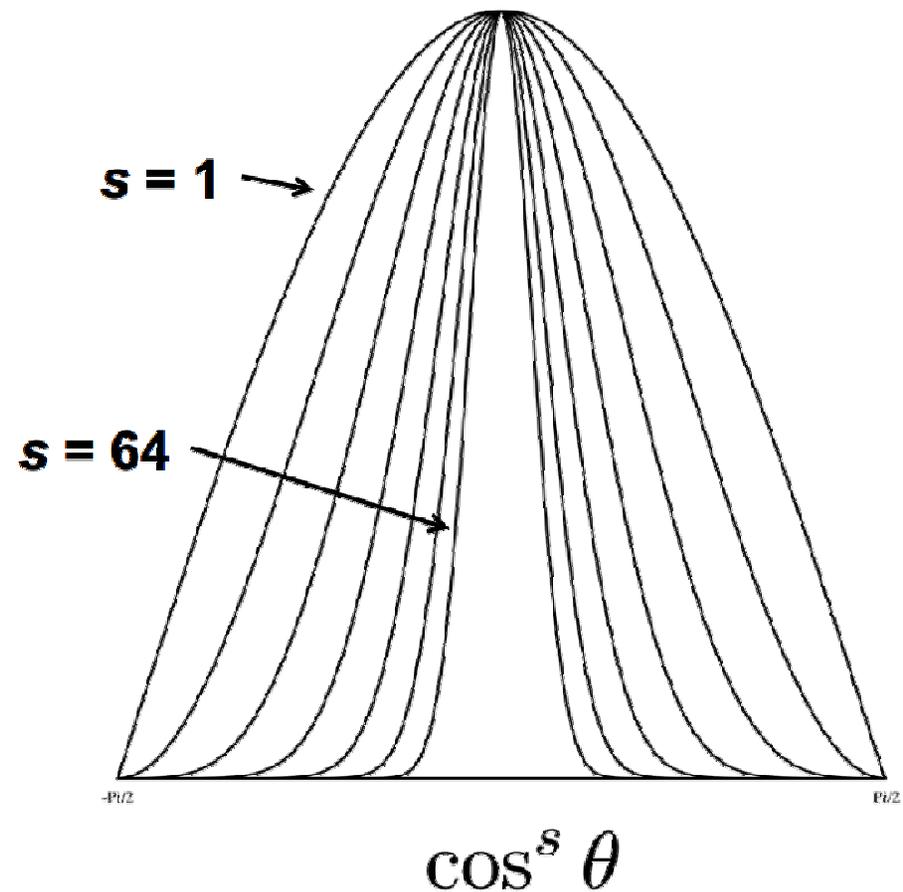
Microfacet distribution

$$(\cos \theta_H)^s = (\hat{\mathbf{N}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{H}})^s$$

Shininess s

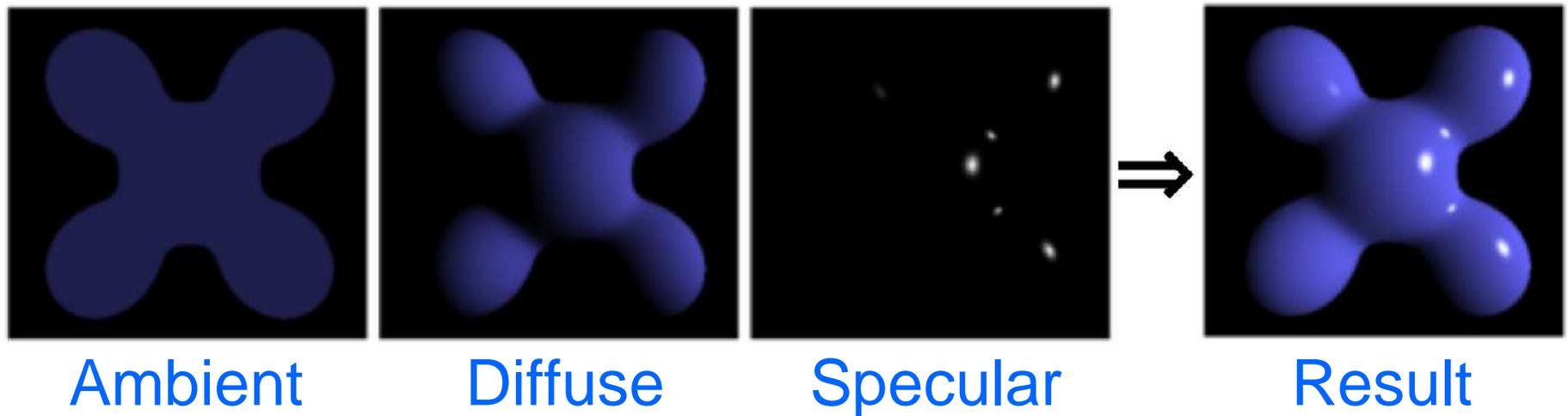
Shininess

- Modeled as exponential fall-off function
 - Larger **shininess** exponent values means a tighter specular highlight
 - Complement of shininess is **roughness**
- Exponential fall-off also use to model
 - Spotlight attenuation
 - Fog effects



Combining Lighting Contributions

- Contributions can be summed
 - Since RGB color components are additive
 - Illumination color modulated by material color



Summing Multiple Lights

- For each light source and each color component, the Blinn or Phong model can be written (without the distance terms) as

$$I = k_d I_d \mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{n} + k_s I_s (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{r})^\alpha + k_a I_a \quad \text{Phong}$$

$$I = k_d I_d \mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{n} + k_s I_s (\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{n})^\alpha + k_a I_a \quad \text{Blinn}$$

- For each color component, we add contributions from all sources

OpenGL Fixed-function Lighting Equation

surface
result
color

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{c} &= \mathbf{e}_{cm} \leftarrow \text{emissive} \\
 &+ \mathbf{a}_{cm} * \mathbf{a}_{cs} \leftarrow \text{global ambient} \\
 &+ \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\text{att}_i)(\text{spot}_i) [\mathbf{a}_{cm} * \mathbf{a}_{cli} \leftarrow \text{per-light ambient} \\
 &\quad + (\mathbf{n} \odot \overrightarrow{\mathbf{VP}}_{pli}) \mathbf{d}_{cm} * \mathbf{d}_{cli} \\
 &\quad + (f_i)(\mathbf{n} \odot \hat{\mathbf{h}}_i)^{s_{rm}} \mathbf{s}_{cm} * \mathbf{s}_{cli}]
 \end{aligned}$$

for each light source

diffuse

specular

$$f_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \mathbf{n} \odot \overrightarrow{\mathbf{VP}}_{pli} \neq 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \leftarrow \text{diffuse squashes specular}$$

OpenGL Lighting Equation Terms

half-angle

$$\mathbf{h}_i = \begin{cases} \overrightarrow{\mathbf{VP}}_{pli} + \overrightarrow{\mathbf{VP}}_e, & v_{bs} = \text{TRUE}, \\ \overrightarrow{\mathbf{VP}}_{pli} + (0 \ 0 \ 1)^T, & v_{bs} = \text{FALSE}, \end{cases}$$

local viewer assumption

infinite viewer assumption

distance
attenuation

$$att_i = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{k_{0i} + k_{1i}\|\mathbf{VP}_{pli}\| + k_{2i}\|\mathbf{VP}_{pli}\|^2}, & \text{if } \mathbf{P}_{pli}'s \ w \neq 0, \\ 1.0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

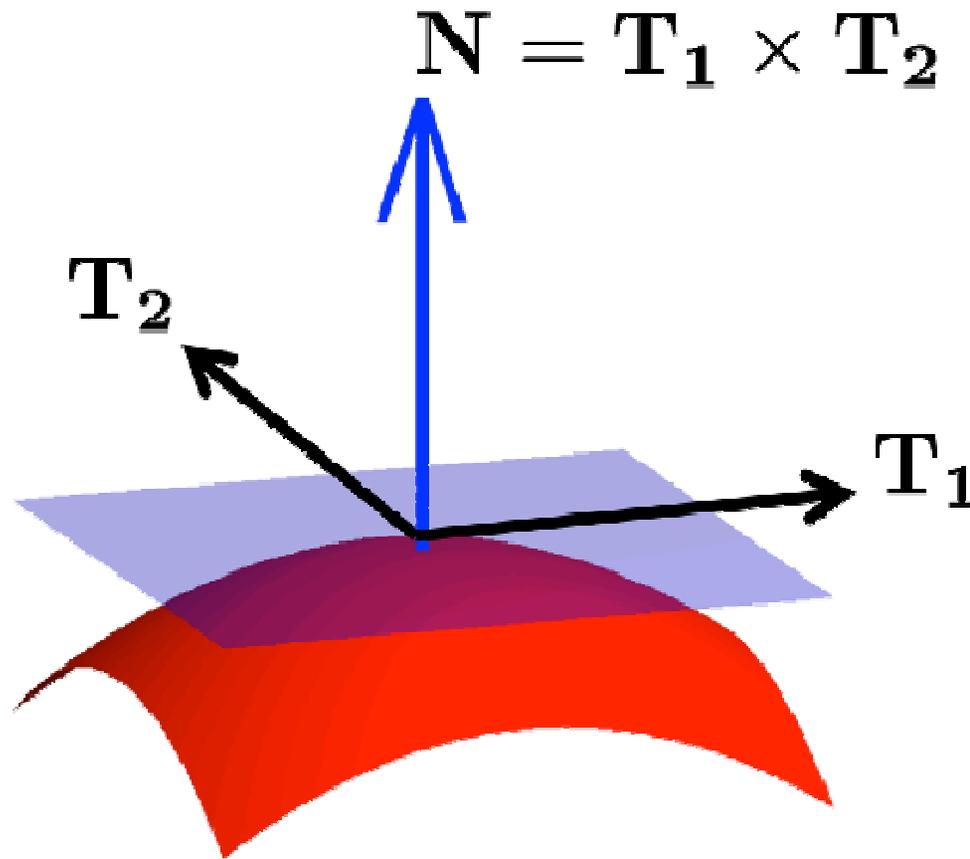
inverse square fall-off

spotlight
attenuation

$$spot_i = \begin{cases} (\overrightarrow{\mathbf{P}}_{pli} \overrightarrow{\mathbf{V}} \odot \hat{\mathbf{s}}_{dli})^{s_{rli}}, & c_{rli} \neq 180.0, \overrightarrow{\mathbf{P}}_{pli} \overrightarrow{\mathbf{V}} \odot \hat{\mathbf{s}}_{dli} \geq \cos(c_{rli}), \\ 0.0, & c_{rli} \neq 180.0, \overrightarrow{\mathbf{P}}_{pli} \overrightarrow{\mathbf{V}} \odot \hat{\mathbf{s}}_{dli} < \cos(c_{rli}), \\ 1.0, & c_{rli} = 180.0. \end{cases}$$

Surface Normal

- Surface normal = cross product of surface gradients



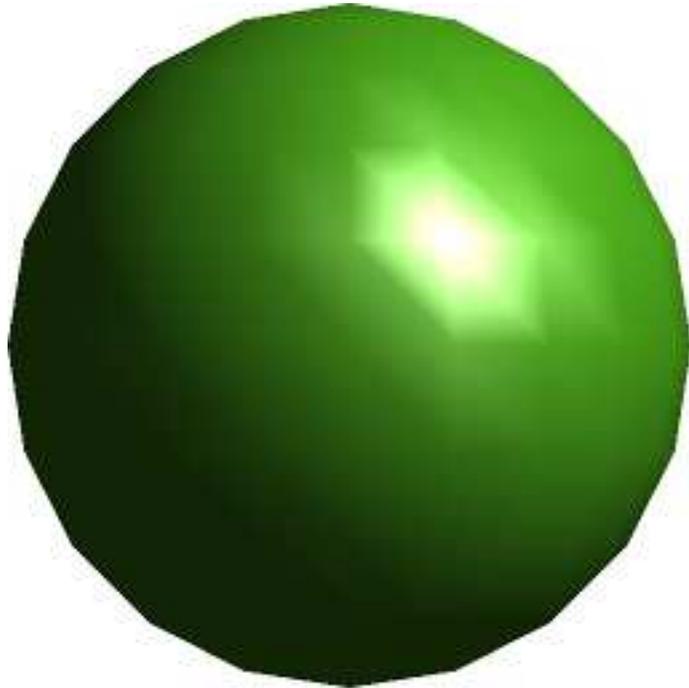
$$(x, y, z) = F(u, v)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_1 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial u}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_2 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial v}$$

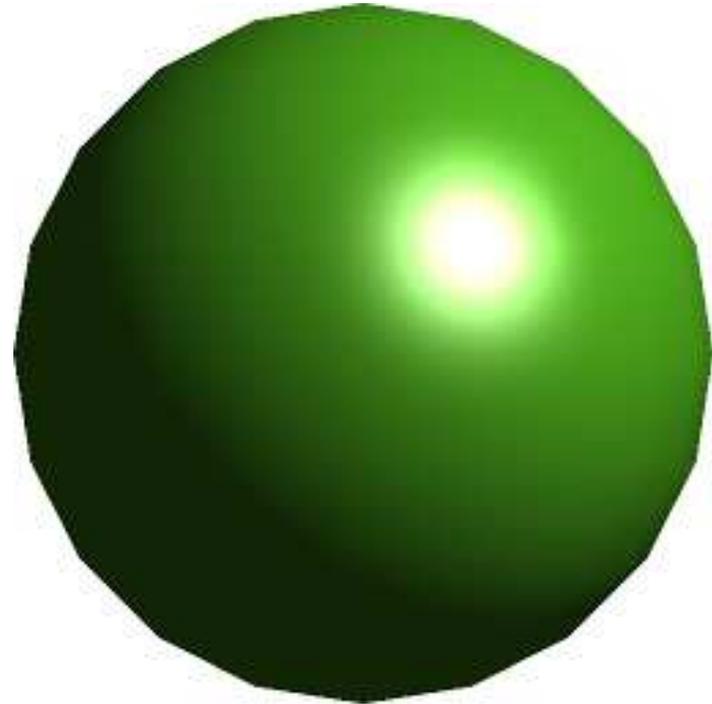
Frequency of Lighting Computations

■ Per-vertex



Specular highlight “wobbles”
under animation

■ Per-fragment



Specular highlight has
stable structure