

# Computer Graphics

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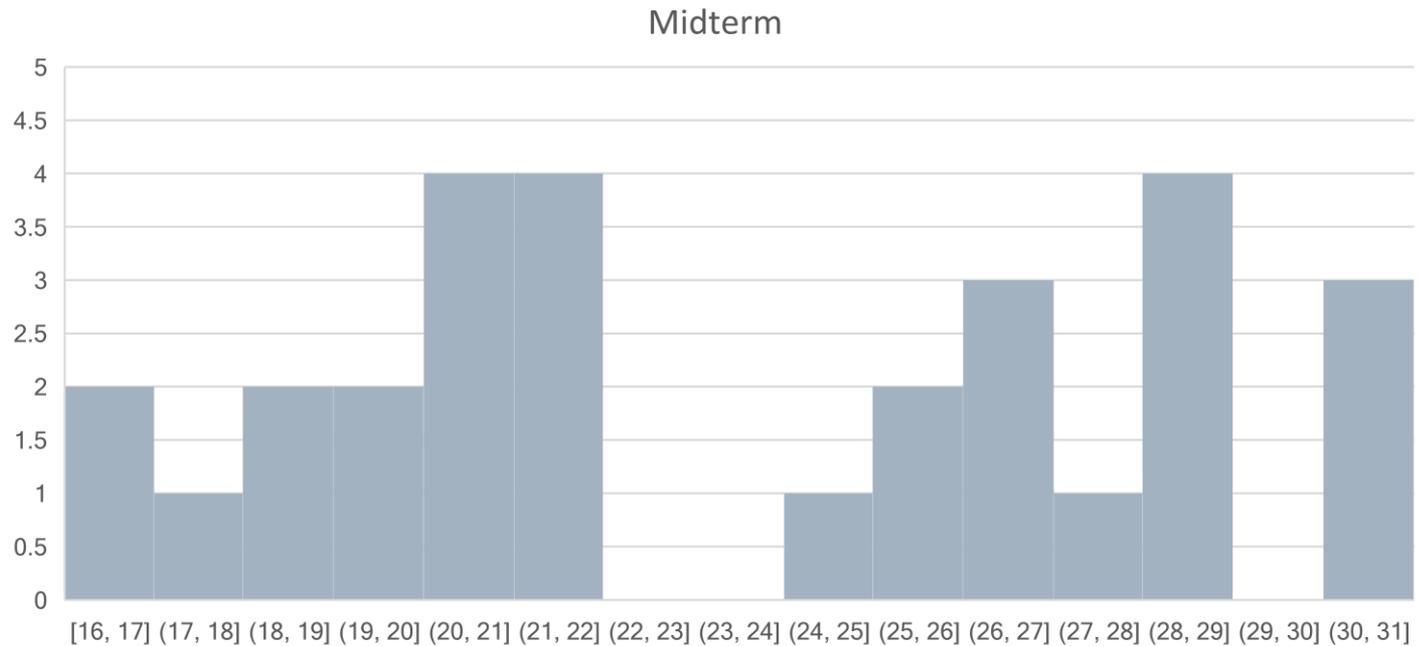
# Last time

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Hidden Surface Removal

# Middle Term

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Median and Average are 22 and 24

# Today

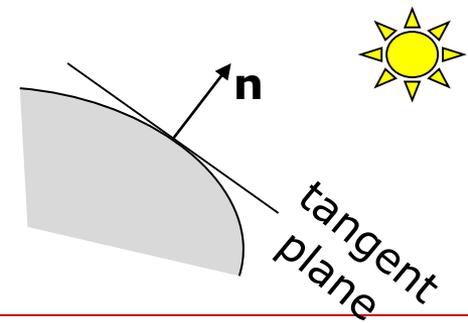
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- Lighting and Shading
- Project 2
- Will publicize several times in the final week of classes when you can get your project graded
  - Demo your program to the instructor **in person using Zoom meetings**
    - Use your own computer and share the screen
  - Latest time to grade
    - 5:00 pm, Friday, December 3, 2021
  - **No late submission!**

# Where We Stand

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- So far, we know how to:
    - Transform between spaces
    - Draw polygons
    - Decide what's in front
  - Next
    - Deciding a pixel's intensity and color
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# Normal Vectors

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- The intensity of a surface depends on its orientation with respect to the light and the viewer
  - The *surface normal vector* describes the orientation of the surface at a point
    - Mathematically: vector that is perpendicular to the tangent plane of the surface
    - Just “the normal vector” or “the normal”
    - Will use  $n$  or  $N$  to denote
  - Normals are either supplied by the user or automatically computed
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# Transforming Normal Vectors

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- Normal vectors are *directions*

Normal vectors are perpendicular to tangent vectors :  $\mathbf{n} \bullet (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) = 0$

There is a matrix form of this :  $\mathbf{n}^t (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) = 0$

Consider the equation with a transformed tangent :  $\mathbf{n}^t \mathbf{T}^{-1} \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) = 0$

The right hand half is the transformed point.

The new transposenormal must be equal to :  $\mathbf{n}^t \mathbf{T}^{-1}$

The new normal must then be :  $(\mathbf{n}^t \mathbf{T}^{-1})^t = (\mathbf{T}^{-1})^t \mathbf{n}$

- To transform a normal, multiply it by the inverse transpose of the transformation matrix
  - Recall, rotation matrices are their own inverse transpose
  - Don't include the translation! Use  $(n_x, n_y, n_z, 0)$  for homogeneous coordinates
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# Local Shading Models

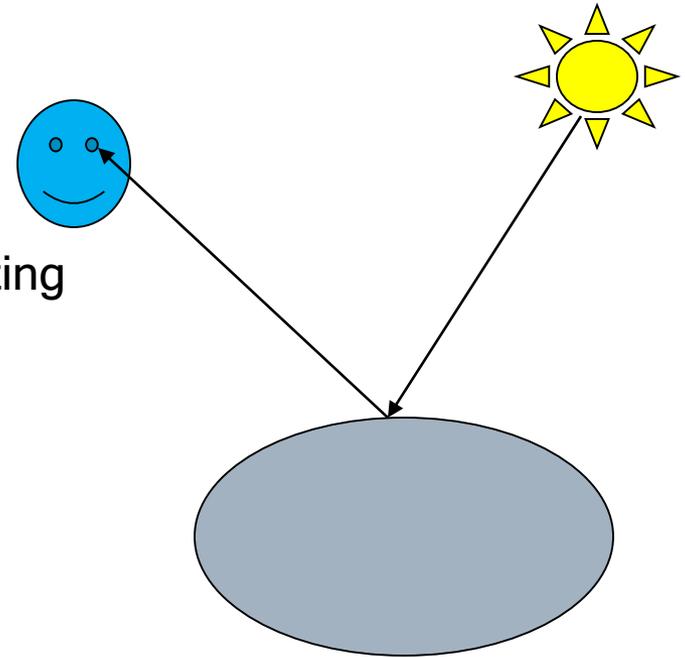
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- *Local shading models* provide a way to determine the intensity and color of a point on a surface
    - The models are local because they **don't consider other objects**
    - We use them because they are fast and simple to compute
    - They do not require knowledge of the entire scene, only the current piece of surface.
  - For the moment, assume:
    - We are applying these computations at a particular point on a surface
    - We have a normal vector for that point
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# Local Shading Models

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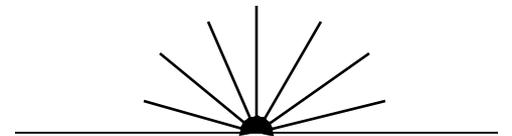
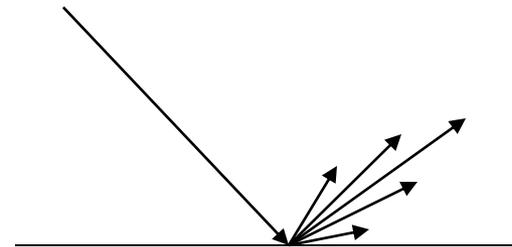
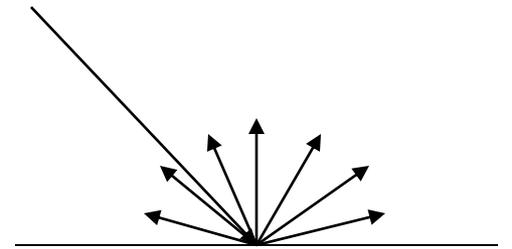
- What they capture:
  - Direct illumination from light sources
  - *Diffuse* and *Specular* reflections
  - (Very) Approximate effects of global lighting
- What they don't do:
  - Shadows
  - Mirrors
  - Refraction
  - Lots of other stuff ...



# “Standard” Lighting Model

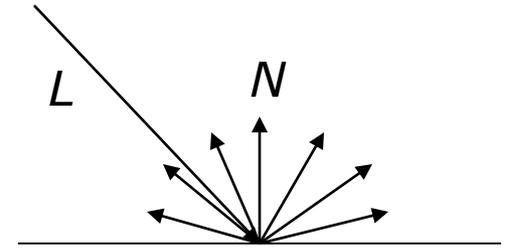
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- Consists of three terms linearly combined:
  - *Diffuse* component for the amount of incoming light from a point source reflected equally in all directions
  - *Specular* component for the amount of light from a point source reflected in a mirror-like fashion
  - *Ambient* term to approximate light arriving via other surfaces



# Diffuse Illumination

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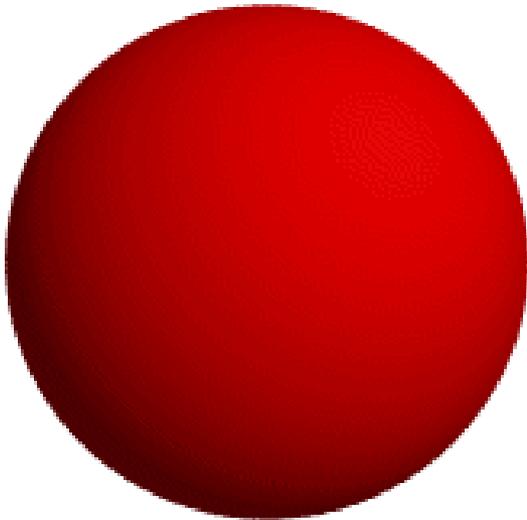


$$k_d I_i (\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{N})$$

- Incoming light,  $I_i$ , from direction  $L$ , is reflected equally in all directions
    - No dependence on viewing direction
  - Amount of light reflected depends on:
    - Angle of surface with respect to light source
      - Actually, determines how much light is collected by the surface, to then be reflected
    - Diffuse reflectance coefficient of the surface,  $k_d$
  - Don't want to illuminate back side. Use  $k_d I_i \max(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{N}, 0)$
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# Diffuse Example

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Diffuse Lighting

Where is the light?

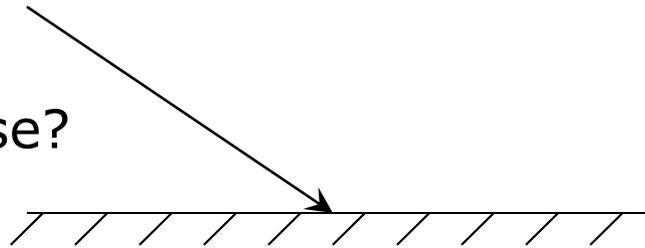
Which point is brightest  
(how is the normal at the  
brightest point related to  
the light)?

# Illustrating Shading Models

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- Show the polar graph of the amount of light leaving for a given incoming direction:

Diffuse?



- Show the intensity of each point on a surface for a given light position or direction



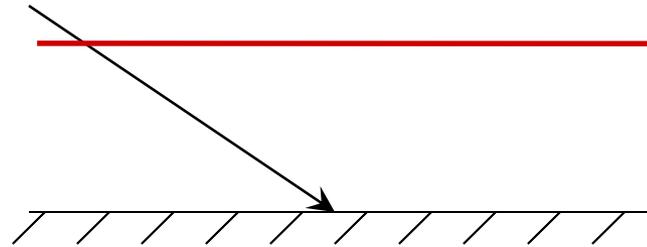
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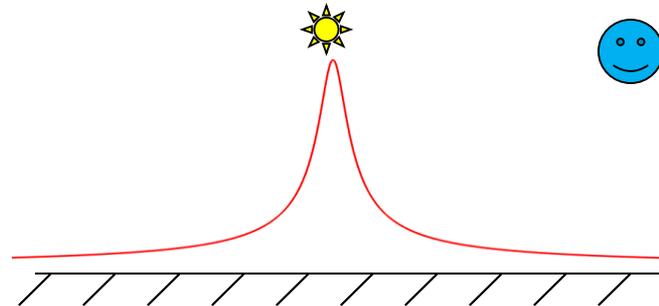
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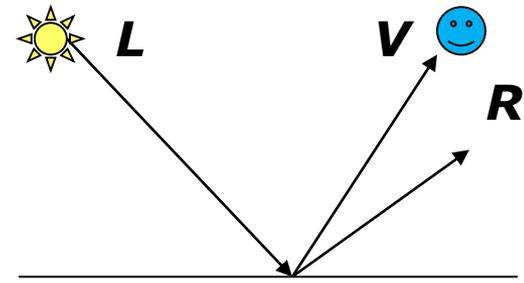


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# Specular Reflection

(Phong Reflectance Model)

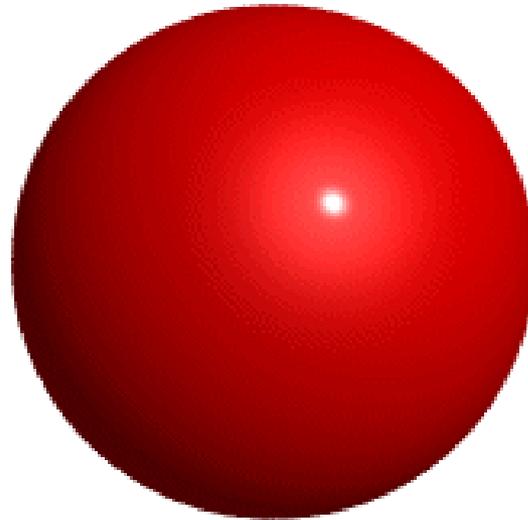


$$k_s I_i (\mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{V})^p$$

- Incoming light is reflected primarily in the mirror direction,  $R$ 
  - Perceived intensity depends on the relationship between the viewing direction,  $V$ , and the mirror direction
  - Bright spot is called a *specularity*
- Intensity controlled by:
  - The specular reflectance coefficient,  $k_s$
  - The *Phong Exponent*,  $p$ , controls the apparent size of the specularity
    - Higher  $p$ , smaller highlight

# Specular Example

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Plus Specular Highlight

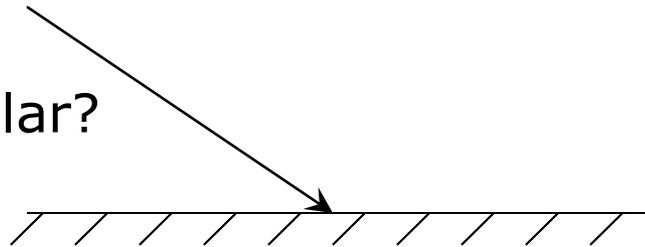
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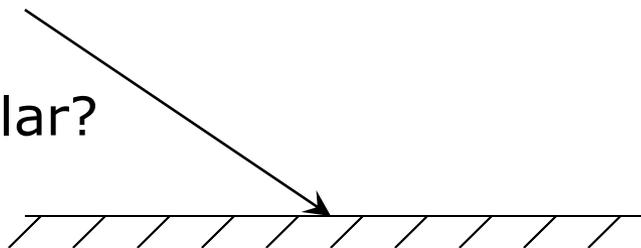


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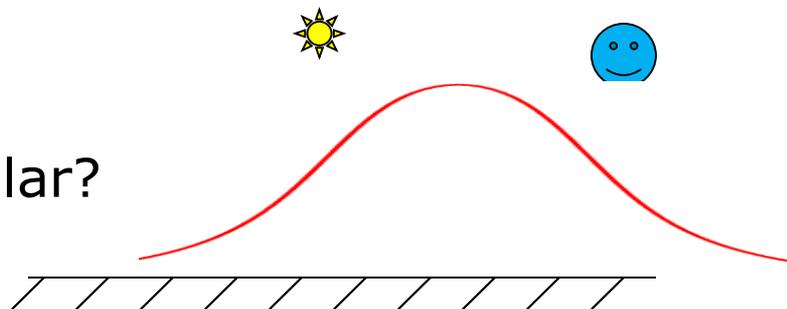
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Specular?

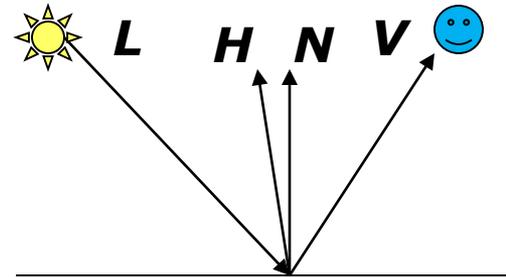


# Alternative Specular Reflection Model

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$$\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{L} + \mathbf{V}) / \|\mathbf{L} + \mathbf{V}\|$$

$$k_s I_i (\mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{N})^p$$



- Compute based on normal vector and “halfway” vector,  $H$
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# Putting It Together

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$$I = k_a I_a + I_i \left( k_d (\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{N}) + k_s (\mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{N})^p \right)$$

- Global ambient intensity,  $I_a$ :
    - Gross approximation to light bouncing around of all other surfaces
    - Modulated by ambient reflectance  $k_a$
  - Just sum all the terms
  - If there are multiple lights, sum contributions from each light
  - Several variations, and approximations ...
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# Color

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$$I_r = k_{a,r} I_{a,r} + I_{i,r} \left( k_{d,r} (\mathbf{L} \bullet \mathbf{N}) + k_{s,r} (\mathbf{H} \bullet \mathbf{N})^n \right)$$

- Do everything for three colors, r, g and b
  - Note that some terms (the expensive ones) are constant
  - Using only three colors is an approximation, but few graphics practitioners realize it
    - $k$  terms depend on wavelength, should compute for continuous spectrum
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# Approximations for Speed

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- The viewer direction,  $V$ , and the light direction,  $L$ , depend on the surface position being considered,  $x$
  - Distant light approximation:
    - Assume  $L$  is constant for all  $x$
    - Good approximation if light is distant, such as sun
  - Distant viewer approximation
    - Assume  $V$  is constant for all  $x$
    - Rarely good, but only affects specularities
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# Distant Light Approximation

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- Distant light approximation:
    - Assume  $L$  is constant for all  $x$
    - Good approximation if light is distant, such as sun
    - Generally called a *directional light source*
  - What aspects of surface appearance are affected by this approximation?
    - Diffuse?
    - Specular?
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# Distant Viewer Approximation

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- Specularities require the viewing direction:
    - $V(x) = \|c-x\|$
    - Slightly expensive to compute
  - Distant viewer approximation uses a global  $V$ 
    - Independent of which point is being lit
    - Use the view plane normal vector
    - Error depends on the nature of the scene
  - Is the diffuse component affected?
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# Describing Surfaces

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- The various parameters in the lighting equation describe the appearance of a surface
  - $(k_{d,r}, k_{d,g}, k_{d,b})$ : The *diffuse color*, which most closely maps to what you would consider the “color” of a surface
    - Also called *diffuse reflectance coefficients*
  - $(k_{s,r}, k_{s,g}, k_{s,b})$ : The specular color, which controls the color of specularities
    - Some systems do not let you specify this color separately
  - $(k_{a,r}, k_{a,g}, k_{a,b})$ : The ambient color, which controls how the surface looks when not directly lit
    - Normally the same as the diffuse color
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# OpenGL Commands (1)

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- ❑ `glMaterial{if}(face, parameter, value)`
    - Changes one of the coefficients for the front or back side of a face (or both sides)
  - ❑ `glLight{if}(light, property, value)`
    - Changes one of the properties of a light (intensities, positions, directions, etc)
    - There are 8 lights: `GL_LIGHT0`, `GL_LIGHT1`, ...
  - ❑ `glLightModel{if}(property, value)`
    - Changes one of the global light model properties (global ambient light, for instance)
  - ❑ `glEnable(GL_LIGHT0)` enables `GL_LIGHT0`
    - You must enable lights before they contribute to the image
    - You can enable and disable lights at any time
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# OpenGL Commands (2)

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- ❑ `glEnable(GL_LIGHTING)` turns on lighting
    - You must enable lighting explicitly - it is off by default
  - ❑ Don't use specular intensity if you don't have to
    - It's expensive - turn it off by giving 0,0,0 as specular color of the lights
  - ❑ Don't forget normals
    - If you use scaling transformations, must enable `GL_NORMALIZE` to keep normal vectors of unit length
  - ❑ Many other things to control appearance
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# Light Sources

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- Two aspects of light sources are important for a local shading model:
    - Where is the light coming from (the  $L$  vector)?
    - How much light is coming (the  $I$  values)?
  - Various light source types give different answers to the above questions:
    - *Point light source*: Light from a specific point
    - *Directional*: Light from a specific direction
    - *Spotlight*: Light from a specific point with intensity that depends on the direction
    - *Area light*: Light from a continuum of points (later in the course)
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# Point and Directional Sources

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□ Point light: 
$$L(x) = \frac{P_{light} - x}{\|P_{light} - x\|}$$

- The  $L$  vector depends on where the surface point is located
- Must be normalized - slightly expensive
- To specify an OpenGL light at 1,1,1:

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GLfloat light_position[] = { 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0 };  
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, light_position);
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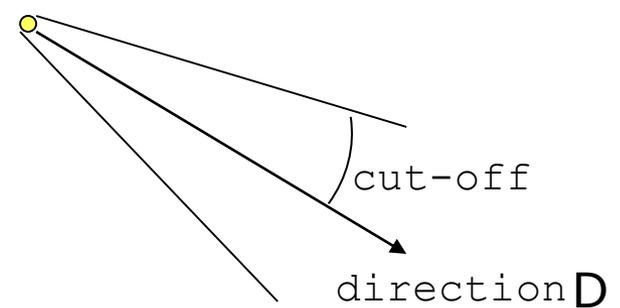
□ Directional light:  $L(x) = L_{light}$

- The  $L$  vector does not change over points in the world
- OpenGL light traveling in direction 1,1,1 ( $L$  is in opposite direction):

```
GLfloat light_position[] = { 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 0.0 };  
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, light_position);
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# Spotlights



## □ Point source, but intensity depends on $L$ :

- Requires a position: the location of the source

```
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, light_posn);
```

- Requires a direction: the center axis of the light

```
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_SPOT_DIRECTION, light_dir);
```

- Requires a cut-off: how broad the beam is

```
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_SPOT_CUTOFF, 45.0);
```

- Requires an exponent: how the light tapers off at the edges of the cone

- Intensity scaled by  $(L \cdot D)^n$

```
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_SPOT_EXPONENT, 1.0);
```

# Shading so Far

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- So far, we have discussed illuminating a single point

$$I = k_a I_a + I_i \left( k_d (\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{N}) + k_s (\mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{N})^p \right)$$

- We have assumed that we know:
    - The point
    - The surface normal
    - The viewer location (or direction)
    - The light location (or direction)
  - But commonly, normal vectors are only given at the vertices
  - It is also expensive to compute lighting for every point
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# Shading Interpolation

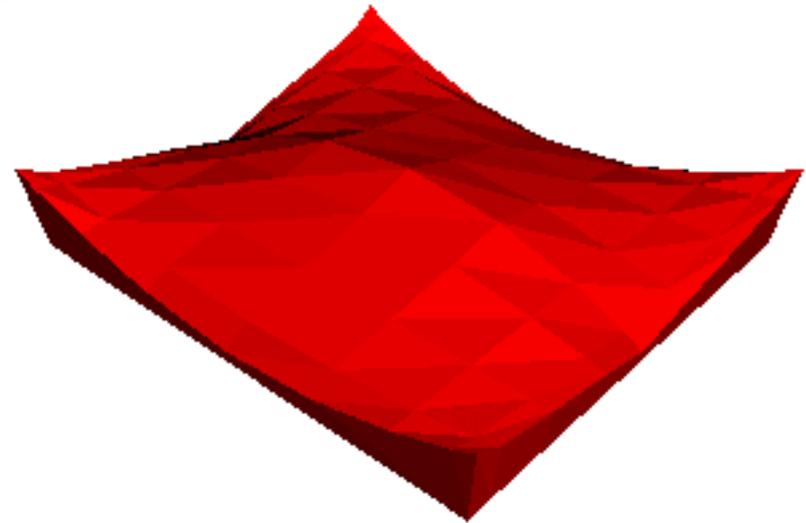
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- Take information specified or computed at the vertices, and somehow propagate it across the polygon (triangle)
  - Several options:
    - Flat shading
    - Gouraud interpolation
    - Phong interpolation
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# Flat shading

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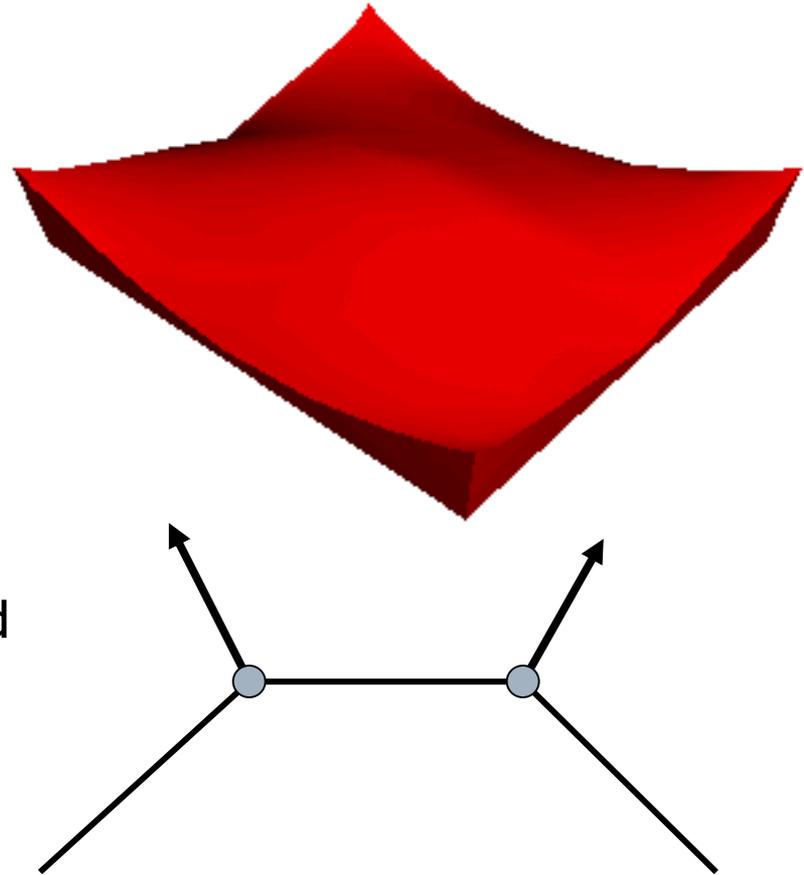
- ❑ Compute shading at a representative point and apply to whole polygon
  - OpenGL uses one of the vertices
- ❑ Advantages:
  - Fast - one shading computation per polygon
- ❑ Disadvantages:
  - Inaccurate
  - What are the artifacts?



# Gouraud (Smooth) Shading

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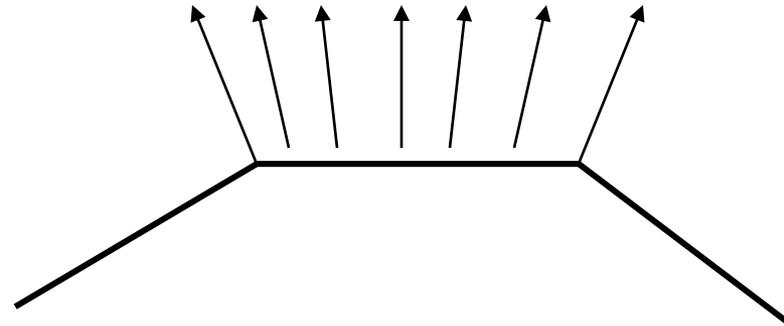
- Shade each *vertex* with it's own location and normal
- *Linearly interpolate* the color across the face
- Advantages:
  - Fast: incremental calculations when rasterizing
  - Much smoother - use same normal every time a vertex is used for a face
- Disadvantages:
  - What are the artifacts?
  - Is it accurate?



# Phong Interpolation

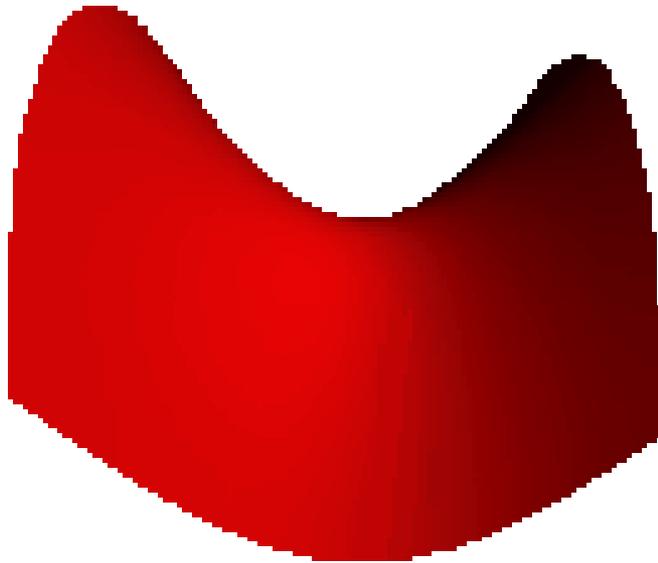
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- Interpolate normals across faces
- Shade each pixel individually
- Advantages:
  - High quality, narrow specularities
- Disadvantages:
  - Expensive
  - Still an approximation for most surfaces
- Not to be confused with Phong's specular model

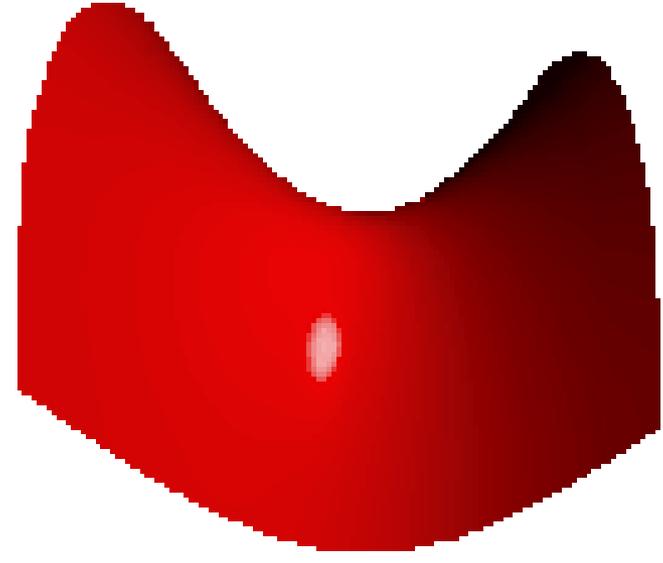


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**Gouraud**



**Phong**



# Shading and OpenGL

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- OpenGL defines two particular shading models
    - Controls how colors are assigned to pixels
    - `glShadeModel(GL_SMOOTH)` interpolates between the colors at the vertices (the default, Gouraud shading)
    - `glShadeModel(GL_FLAT)` uses a constant color across the polygon
  - Phong shading requires a significantly greater programming effort - beyond the scope of this class
    - Also requires *fragment shaders on programmable graphics hardware*
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# Next Time

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- Texture mapping