# Introduction to Programming Mapping Techniques On The GPU



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# Motivation

### Why do we need and want mapping?

- •Realism
- •Ease of Capture vs. Manual Creation
- •GPUs are Texture Optimized (Texture = Efficienct Storage)





**Solid Color Metal** 

Metal Using Mapping Techniques

[Images from Pixar]

### **Quest for Visual Realism**

Model + Shading



Model + Shading + Textures

# At what point do things start looking real?

For more info on the computer artwork of Jeremy Birn see <a href="http://www.3drender.com/jbirn/productions.html">http://www.3drender.com/jbirn/productions.html</a>

Model

# **Talk Overview**

# Review Basic Texturing Environment Mapping Bump Mapping Displacement Mapping

# **Texture Mapping**

### **Main Idea:** Use an image to apply color to the pixels **Produce by geometry of an object.**[Catmull 74]



# Is it simple?

 Idea is simple---map an image to a surface--there are 3 or 4 coordinate systems involved



3D surface

# **Texture Mapping**



# **Mapping Functions**

- Basic problem is how to find the maps
- Consider mapping from texture coordinates to a point a surface
- Appear to need three functions

# **Backward Mapping**

- We really want to go backwards
  - Given a pixel, we want to know to which point on an object it corresponds
  - Given a point on an object, we want to know to which point in the texture it corresponds
- Need a map of the form

s = s(x,y,z)

 $\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{t}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$ 

Such functions are difficult to find in general

# **Texture and Texel**

- Each Pixel in a Texture map = Texel
- Each Texel has (u,v) 2D Texture Coordinate
- Range of (u,v) is [0.0,1.0] (normalized)



# Are there Issues?

### 2 Problems:

- •Which Texel should we use?
- •Where Do We Put Texel?

### **2 Solutions:**

### **Sampling & Filtering**

- •Map >1 Texel to 1 Coordinate
- •Nearest, Interpolation, & More

### **Coordinate Generation**

- a) UV (most common)
- b) Spherical
- c) Cylindrical
- d) Planar



# (u,v) tuple

 For any (u,v) in the range of (0-1, 0-1) multiplied by texture image width and height, we can find the corresponding value in the texture map



# How to get F(u,v)?

- We are given a discrete set of values:
  - **F**[i,j] for i=0,...,N, j=0,...,M
- Nearest neighbor:
  - F(u,v) = F[ round(N\*u), round(M\*v) ]
- Linear Interpolation:
  - $i = floor(N^*u), j = floor(M^*v)$
  - interpolate from F[i,j], F[i+1,j], F[i,j+1], F[i+1,j]
- Filtering in general !

# Interpolation



### Nearest neighbor





### Linear Interpolation

# Applying Our Mapping knowledge

### **Further Realism Improvements:**

- Environment Mapping
- •Bump Mapping
- •Displacement Mapping
- •Illumination Mapping & Others?

# **Environment Mapping**

<u>Main idea</u>: "Environment Maps are textures that describe, for all directions, the incoming or out going light at a point in space." [Real Time Shading, pg. 49]"

### Three main types:

- Cube Mapping
- Sphere mapping
- Paraboloid Mapping



No Map appliedMap Applied[Images courtesy of Microsoft, msdn.microsoft.com]

# **Environment Mapping**

### **Sphere Mapping**

- Generated from photographing a reflective sphere
- Captures whole environment



[Diagram and Sphere Map image of a Cafe in Palo Alto, CA, Heidrich]

# **Environment Mapping**

### Cons :

- Sphere maps have a singularity of the parameterization of this method, we must fix viewing direction, view-dependent (meaning if you want to change the viewers direction you have to regenerate the Sphere map).
- Paraboloid maps requires 2 passes

### Pros:

- Better sampling of the texture environment for Paraboloid mapping, view-independent,
- Cube maps can be fast if implemented in hardware (real-time generation), view independent,

**Original Geometry** 

<u>Main idea:</u> "Combines per-fragment lighting with surface normal perturbations supplied by a texture, in order to <u>simulate</u> light interactions on a bumpy surface."[Cg Tutorial, pg 199] <u>Geometry W/</u>

### **Bump Map**

specular normal map

**New Normals** 

Hi-Res. Face Scanning for "Digital Emily", Image Metrics & USC Institute for Creative TechnologiesGraphics Lab]

$$P'(u,v) = P(u,v) + \vec{N}(u,v)F(u,v)^*$$

- •*P* = original Surface location/height
- •N = Surface Normal
- •F = Displacement Function
- •*P*' = New Surface location/height



\* Assumes N is normalized.

# Bump Map

 The new Normal N' for P' can be calculated from the cross product of it's partial derivatives[Blinn 78].

### CAUTION Differential Math!!!

# $\vec{N}' = \frac{\partial P'}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial P'}{\partial v} \approx \vec{N} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} \left( \vec{N} \times \frac{\partial P}{\partial u} \right) + \frac{\partial F}{\partial v} \left( \vec{N} \times \frac{\partial P}{\partial v} \right)$

# **Tangent Space**

### **Calculate Derivatives on the fly is complicated!**

Solution:

- •We know That our Normal  $N = B \times T$
- •We Want a Normal N'

### **Determine B' & T' for P' to Get N'**



# **Tangent Space**



**D** is just the distance **N** has to move to be **N**'



### **Optimizations:**

# Info Is Known In AdvancePre-process & Lookup At Run-time



### **Normal Mapping**

- •Use Texture Map To Store N'
- •Look up At Run-time
- •Translate & Rotate

### **Used in Games!**

Hardware Texture OptimizedMost Work Processed Offline

### Pros:

- Produces the appearance of high detail w/ out cost
- Can be done in hardware

### Cons:

- No self shadowing (natively)
- Artifacts on the silhouettes



# **Displacement Mapping**

### **Main Idea:** Use height map texture to displace vertices

- •Realistic Perturbations Impossible to Model by Hand
- •Actually Displacing Geometry, Not Normals
- •No Bump Map Artifacts On Edges

# With Displacement Without Displacement

**GPU Gems 2: Ch 18, Using Vertex Texture Displacement for Realistic** Water Rendering, Screen Captures of *Pacific Fighter* by Ubisoft

# **Displacement Mapping**



[Diagram Modified From Ozone3d.net]

# **Displacement Mapping Variant**

### **Parallax Mapping:**

- •Perturb Texture Coordinates
- •Based On Viewer Location
- •As If Geometry Was Displaced



[Comparison from the <u>Irrlicht Engine</u>]

# **Displacement Mapping**

### **Pros**:

Efficient To Implement On GPUGood Results With Little Effort

### Cons:

- •Valid For Smoothly Varying Height fields
- •Doesn't Account For Occlusions If Done Per-Pixel

# **Questions?**

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