Shadow Mapping in OpenGL

What is **Projective Texturing**?

An intuition for projective texturing
The slide projector analogy





Source: Wolfgang Heidrich [99]

About Projective Texturing (1)

- First, what is perspective-correct texturing?
 - Normal 2D texture mapping uses (s, t) coordinates
 - 2D perspective-correct texture mapping
 - means (s, t) should be interpolated linearly in eyespace
 - so compute per-vertex s/w, t/w, and 1/w
 - linearly interpolate these three parameters over polygon
 - per-fragment compute s' = (s/w) / (1/w) and t' = (t/w) / (1/w)
 - results in per-fragment perspective correct (s', t')

About Projective Texturing (2)

- So what is projective texturing?
 - Now consider homogeneous texture coordinates
 - (s, t, r, q) --> (s/q, t/q, r/q)
 - Similar to homogeneous clip coordinates where (x, y, z, w) = (x/w, y/w, z/w)
 - Idea is to have (s/q, t/q, r/q) be projected perfragment
 - · This requires a per-fragment divider
 - yikes, dividers in hardware are fairly expensive

About Projective Texturing (3)

- · Hardware designer's view of texturing
 - Perspective-correct texturing is a practical requirement
 - otherwise, textures "swim"
 - perspective-correct texturing already requires the hardware expense of a per-fragment divider
 - Clever idea [Segal, et al. '92]
 - interpolate q/w instead of simply 1/w
 - so projective texturing is practically free if you already do perspective-correct texturing!

About Projective Texturing (4)

- Tricking hardware into doing projective textures
 By interpolating q/w, hardware computes perfragment
 - (s/w) / (q/w) = s/q
 - (t/w) / (q/w) = t/q
 - Net result: projective texturing
 - OpenGL specifies projective texturing
 - only overhead is multiplying 1/w by q
 - but this is per-vertex

Back to the Shadow Mapping Discussion . . . Fixed Function

- Assign light-space texture coordinates via texgen
 - Transform eye-space (x, y, z, w) coordinates to the light's view frustum (match how the light's depth map is generated)
 - Further transform these coordinates to map directly into the light view's depth map
- Expressible as a projective transform
 load this transform into the 4 eye linear plane equations for S, T, and Q coordinates
 - (s/q, t/q) will map to light's depth map texture



























shadow Filtering Mode

- Performs the shadow test as a texture filtering operation
 Looks up texel at (s/q, t/q) in a 2D texture
 - Compares lookup value to r/q
 - If texel is greater than or equal to r/q, then generate 1.0
 - If texel is less than r/q, then generate 0.0
- Modulate color with result
 - Zero if fragment is shadowed or unchanged color if not

shadow API Usage

- Request shadow map filtering with glTexParameter calls
 - glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_COMPARE_MODE,
 - GL_COMPARE_REF_TO_TEXTURE);
 - Default is GL_NONE for normal filtering
 - Only applies to depth textures
- · Also select the comparison function
- Either GL_LEQUAL (default) or GL_GEQUAL
- glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_COMPARE_FUNC, GL_LEQUAL);

New Depth Texture Internal Texture Formats

depth_texture supports textures containing depth values for shadow

- mapping
- Three new internal formats
- GL_DEPTH_COMPONENT16
- GL_DEPTH_COMPONENT24
- GL_DEPTH_COMPONENT32 (same as 24-bit on GeForce3/4/Xbox)
- (Same as 24-bit on Gerorces/4/XDO)
- Hint: use GL_DEPTH_COMPONENT for your texture internal format
 Leaving off the "n" precision specifier tells the driver to
 match your depth buffer's precision
 - Copy texture performance is optimum when depth buffer precision matches the depth texture precision

Hardware Shadow Map Filtering

"Percentage Closer" filtering

- Normal texture filtering just averages color components
- Averaging depth values does NOT work
- Solution [Reeves, SIGGARPH 87]
 - Hardware performs comparison for each sample
 - Then, averages results of comparisons
- Provides anti-aliasing at shadow map edges
- Not soft shadows in the umbra/penumbra sense





Advice for Shadowed Illumination Model (1)

- Typical illumination model with decal texture: (ambient + diffuse) * decal + specular The shadow map supplies a shadowing term
- Assume shadow map supplies a shadowing term, shade
 - · Percentage shadowed
 - 100% = fully visible, 0% = fully shadowed
- Obvious updated illumination model for shadowing:
- (ambient + shade * diffuse) * decal + shade * specular Problem is real-world lights don't 100% block diffuse shading on
- shadowed surfaces
 - · Light scatters; real-world lights are not ideal points

The Need for **Dimming Diffuse** No dimming; shadowed With dimming; shadowed regions have 0% diffuse regions have 40% diffuse and 0% specular and 0% specular





Front facing shadowed regions appear unnaturally flat. in shadowed regions.

Still evidence of curvature

Advice for Shadowed Illumination Model (2)

- Illumination model with dimming:
- (ambient + diffuseShade * diffuse) * decal + specular * shade
- where diffuseShade is
- diffuseShade = dimming + (1.0 dimming) * shade
- Easy to implement with fragment shaders
- Separate specular keeps the diffuse & specular lighting results distinct
- Where does it matter?



Careful about Back Projecting Shadow Maps (2)

- Techniques to eliminate back-projection:
 - Modulate shadow map result with lighting result from a single per-vertex spotlight with the proper cut off (ensures light is "off" behind the spotlight)
 - Use a small 1D texture where "s" is planar distance from the light (generate "s" with a planar texgen mode), then 1D texture is 0.0 for negative distances and 1.0 for positive distances.
 - · Use a clip plane positioned at the plane defined by the light position and spotlight direction
 - · Use the stencil buffer
 - · Simply avoid drawing geometry "behind" the light when applying the shadow map (better than a clip plane)
 - NV_texture_shader's GL_PASS_THROUGH_NV mode

Other OpenGL Extensions for Improving Shadow Mapping

- $\ensuremath{\text{FBO}}$ create off-screen rendering surfaces for rendering shadow map depth buffers
- Normally, you can construct shadow maps in your back buffer and copy them
 to texture
- · But if the shadow map resolution is larger than your window resolution, use pbuffers

Combining Shadow Mapping with other Techniques

- Good in combination with techniques
 - · Use stencil to tag pixels as inside or outside of shadow
 - Use other rendering techniques in extra passes bump mapping
 - · texture decals, etc.
 - Shadow mapping can be integrated into more complex multipass rendering algorithms
- Shadow mapping algorithm does not require access to vertex-level data
- Easy to mix with vertex programs and such

Combine with Projective Texturing for Spotlight Shadows Use a spotlight-style projected texture to give

shadow maps a spotlight falloff



Combining Shadows with Atmospherics

Shadows in a dusty room •



Simulate atmospheric effects such as suspended dust

- 1) Construct shadow map
- 2) Draw scene with shadow map
- 3) Modulate projected texture image
- with projected shadow map Blend back-to-front shadowed 4) slicing planes also modulated by projected texture image











Create an empty depth texture Set is up with an internal format of GL DEPTH COMPONENT Set the texture parameters Enable the depth buffer Setup the light matrices Render scene from the light

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