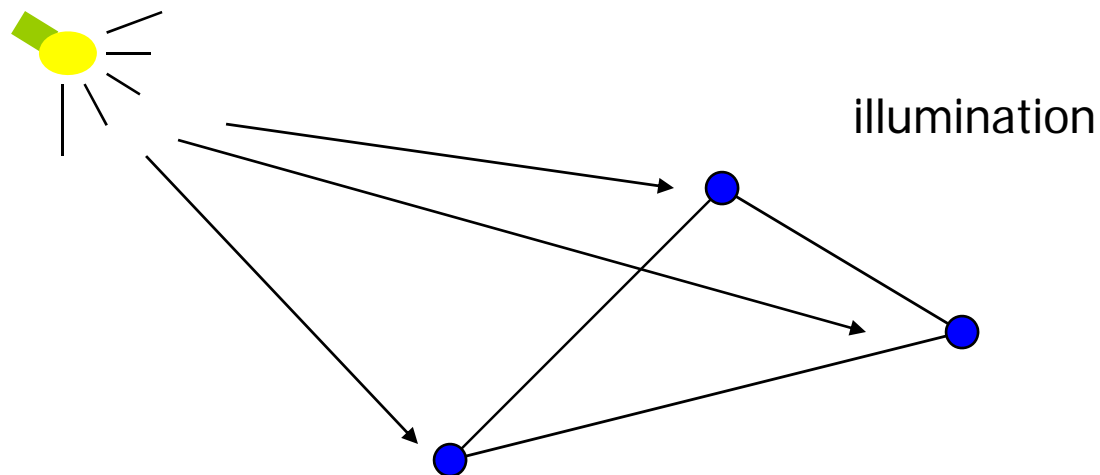


# Illumination and Shading



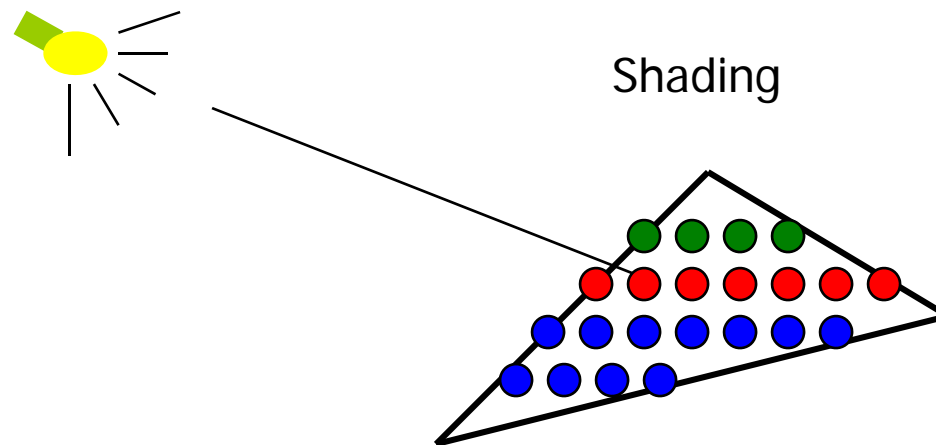
# Illumination (Lighting)

- Model the interaction of light with surface points to determine their final color and brightness
- OpenGL computes illumination at vertices



# Shading

- Apply the lighting model at a set of points across the entire surface





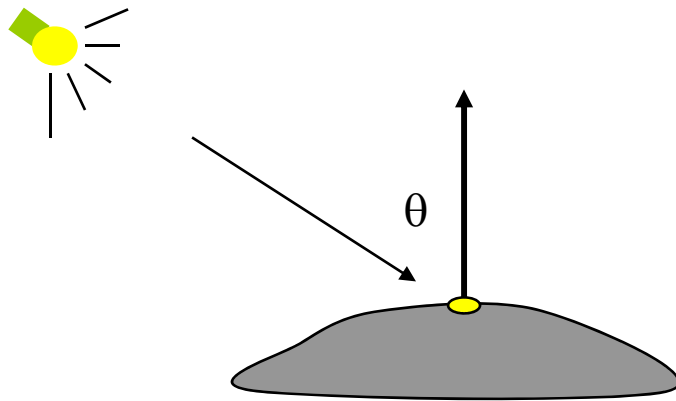
# Illumination Model

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- The governing principles for computing the illumination
- A illumination model usually considers:
  - Light attributes (light intensity, color, position, direction, shape)
  - Object surface attributes (color, reflectivity, transparency, etc)
  - Interaction among lights and objects (object orientation)
  - Interaction between objects and eye (viewing dir.)

# Illumination Calculation

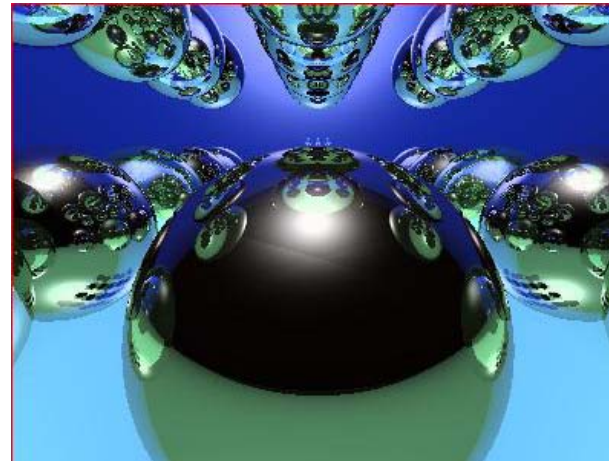
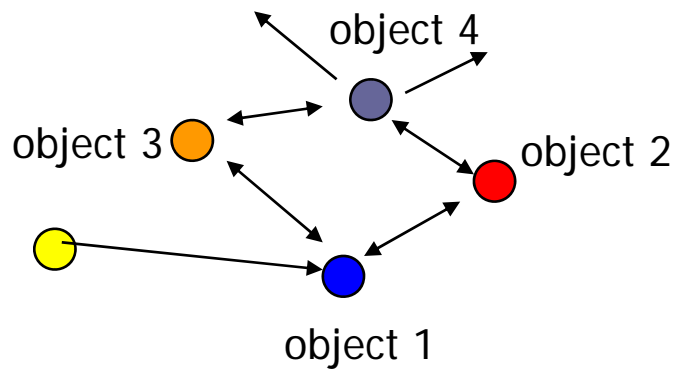
- **Local illumination:** only consider the light, the observer position, and the object material properties



- Example: OpenGL

# Illumination Models

- **Global illumination:** take into account the interaction of light from all the surfaces in the scene

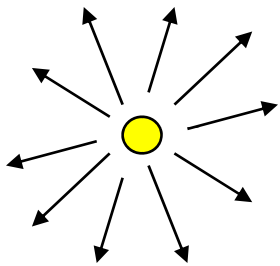


- Example: Ray Tracing (CIS681)

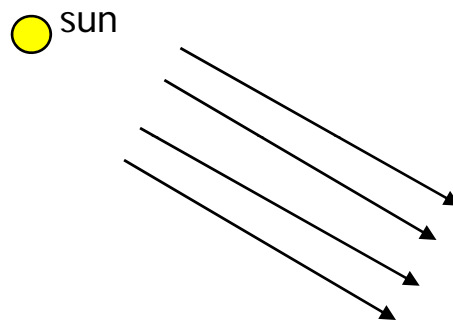


# Basic Light Sources

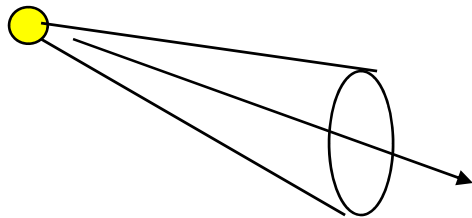
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Point light



Directional light



Spot light

Light intensity can be independent or dependent of the distance between object and the light source



# Simple local illumination

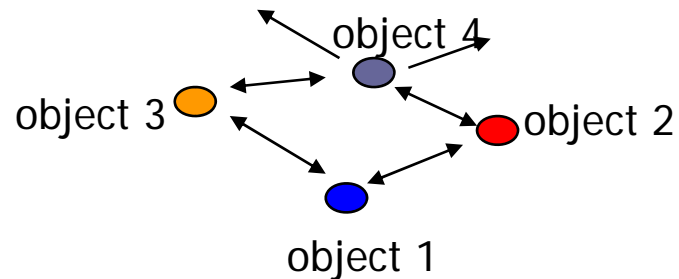
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- The model used by OpenGL – consider three types of light contribution to compute the final illumination of an object
  - Ambient
  - Diffuse
  - Specular
- Final illumination of a point (vertex) =  
ambient + diffuse + specular



# Ambient light contribution

- Ambient light (background light): the light that is scattered by the environment
- A very simple approximation of global illumination



- Independent of the light position, object orientation, observer's position or orientation – ambient light has no direction (Radiosity is the calculation of ambient light)

# Ambient lighting example





# Ambient light calculation

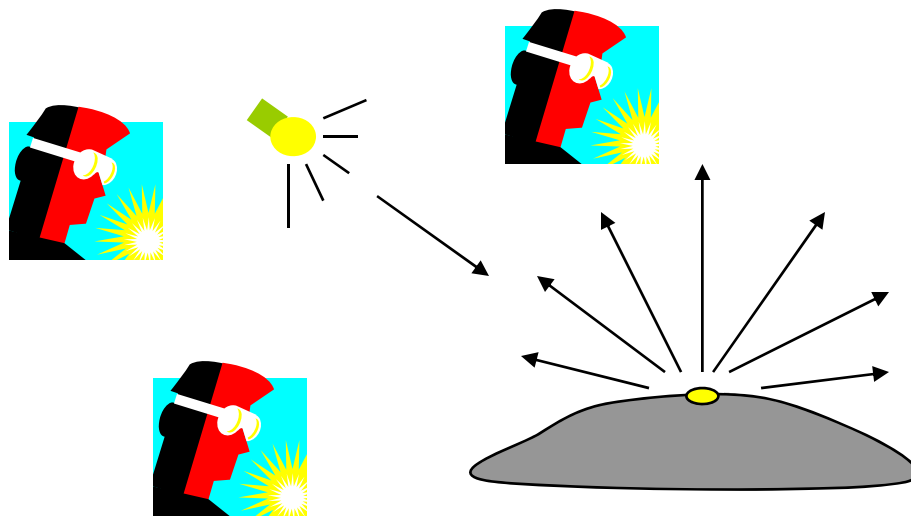
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- Each light source has an ambient light contribution ( $I_a$ )
- Different objects can reflect different amounts of ambient (different ambient reflection coefficient  $K_a$ ,  $0 \leq K_a \leq 1$ )
- So the amount of ambient light that can be seen from an object is:

$$\text{Ambient} = I_a * K_a$$

# Diffuse light contribution

- Diffuse light: The illumination that a surface receives from a light source and reflects equally in all direction



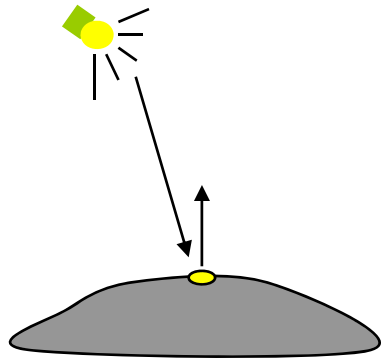
It does not matter where the eye is

# Diffuse lighting example

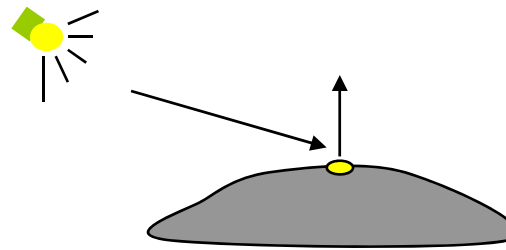


# Diffuse light calculation

- Need to decide how much light the object point receive from the light source – based on [Lambert's Law](#)



Receive more light



Receive less light

# Diffuse light calculation (2)

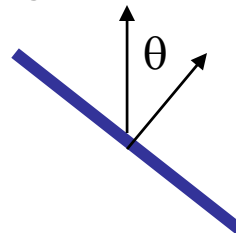
- Lambert's law: the radiant energy  $D$  that a small surface patch receives from a light source is:

$$D = I * \cos(\theta)$$

$I$ : light intensity

$\theta$ : angle between the light vector and the surface normal

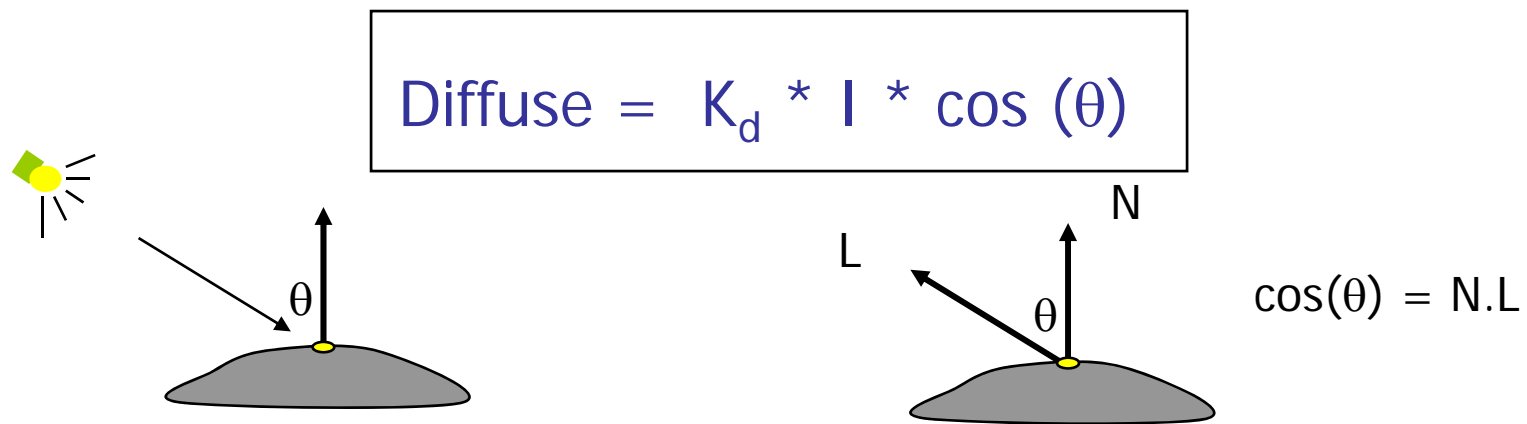
light vector (vector from object to light)



$N$  : surface normal

# Diffuse light calculation (3)

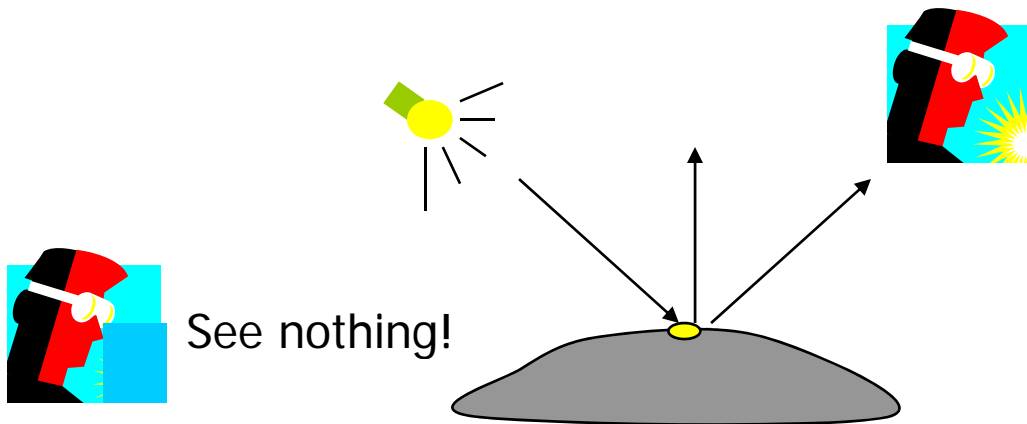
- Like the ambient light case, different objects can reflect different amount of diffuse light (different diffuse reflection coefficient  $K_d$ ,  $0 \leq K_d \leq 1$ )
- So, the amount of diffuse light that can be seen is:





# Specular light contribution

- The bright spot on the object
- The result of total reflection of the incident light in a concentrate region



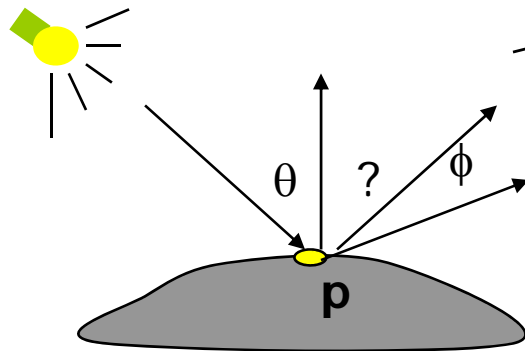
# Specular light example



# Specular light calculation

- How much reflection you can see depends on where you are

The only position the eye can see specular from P if the object has an ideal reflection surface



But for a non-perfect surface you will still see specular highlight when you move a little bit away from the idea reflection direction

When  $\phi$  is small, you see more specular highlight

# Specular light calculation (2)

- Phong lighting model

$$\text{specular} = K_s * I * \cos^n(\phi)$$

$K_s$ : specular reflection coefficient

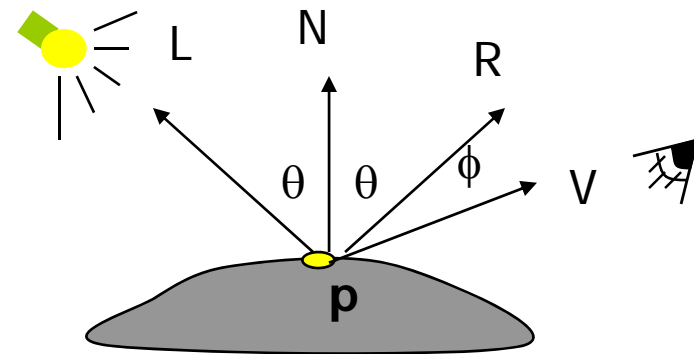
$N$ : surface normal at  $P$

$I$ : light intensity

$\phi$ : angle between  $V$  and  $R$

$\cos^n(\phi)$ : the larger is  $n$ , the smaller is the  $\cos$  value

$$\cos(\theta) = R \cdot V$$



# Specular light calculation (3)

- The effect of 'n' in the phong model

n = 10



n = 90



n = 30



n = 270





# Put it all together

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- Illumination from a light:

Illum = ambient + diffuse + specular

$$= K_a * I + K_d * I * (N.L) + K_s * I * \frac{(R.V)^n}{n}$$

- If there are N lights

Total illumination for a point P =  $\sum$  (Illum)

or  
(N.H)

- Some more terms to be added (in OpenGL):
  - Self emission
  - Global ambient
  - Light distance attenuation and spot light effect

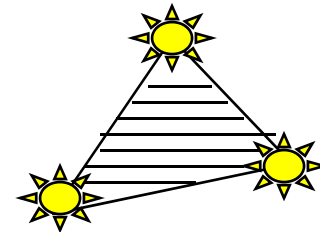
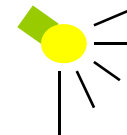
# Lighting in OpenGL



- Adopt Phong lighting model (specular) plus diffuse and ambient lights
  - Lighting is computed at vertices
    - Interpolate across surface (Gouraud/smooth shading) OR
    - Use a constant illumination (get it from one of the vertices)

## ■ Setting up OpenGL Lighting:

- Light Properties
- Enable/Disable lighting
- Surface material properties
- Provide correct surface normals
- Light model properties

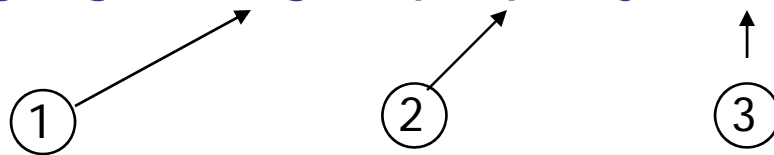


# Light Properties



- Properties:
  - Colors / Position and type / attenuation

`glLightfv(light, property, value)`



- (1) constant: specify which light you want to set the property  
**example: `GL_LIGHT0, GL_LIGHT1, GL_LIGHT2 ...`** you can create multiple lights (OpenGL allows at least 8 lights)
- (2) constant: specify which light property you want to set the value  
**example: `GL_AMBIENT, GL_DIFFUSE, GL_SPECULAR, GL_POSITION`**  
(check the red book for more)
- (3) The value you want to set to the property



# Property Example



- Define colors and position a light

```
GLfloat light_ambient[] = {0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0};  
GLfloat light_diffuse[] = {1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0};  
GLfloat light_specular[] = {1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0};  
GLfloat light_position[] = {0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0};
```

← colors

← Position

```
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_AMBIENT, light_ambient);  
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_DIFFUSE, light_diffuse);  
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_SPECULAR, light_specular);  
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, light_position);
```

What if I set the  
Position to  
(0,0,1,0)?



# Types of lights



- OpenGL supports two types of lights
  - Local light (point light)
  - Infinite light (directional light)
- Determined by the light positions you provide
  - $w = 0$ : infinite light source (faster)
  - $w \neq 0$ : point light – position =  $(x/w, y/w, z/w)$

```
GLfloat light_position[] = {x,y,z,w};  
glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, light_position);
```

# Turning on the lights



- Turn on the power (for all the lights)

- `glEnable(GL_LIGHTING);`



- `glDisable(GL_LIGHTING);`



- Flip each light's switch

- `glEnable(GL_LIGHTn)` ( $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ )



# Controlling light position



- Modelview matrix affects a light's position
- You can specify the position relative to:
  - Eye space: the highlight remains in the same position relative to the eye
    - call `glLightfv()` before `gluLookAt()`
  - World space: a light's position/direction appears fixed in the scene
    - Call `glLightfv()` after `gluLookAt()`

- See Nat Robin's Demo

<http://www.xmission.com/~nate/tutors.html>



# Material Properties



- The color and surface properties of a material (dull, shiny, etc)
- How much the surface reflects the incident lights (ambient/diffuse/specular reflection coefficients)

`glMaterialfv(face, property, value)`

Face: material property for which face (e.g. GL\_FRONT, GL\_BACK, GL\_FRONT\_AND\_BACK)

Property: what material property you want to set (e.g. GL\_AMBIENT, GL\_DIFFUSE, GL\_SPECULAR, GL\_SHININESS, GL\_EMISSION, etc)

Value: the value you can to assign to the property



# Material Example



- Define ambient/diffuse/specular reflection and shininess

```
GLfloat mat_amb_diff[] = {1.0, 0.5, 0.8, 1.0};  
GLfloat mat_specular[] = {1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0};  
GLfloat shininess[] = {5.0};
```

← refl. coefficient (range: dull 0 – very shiny 128)

```
glMaterialfv(GL_FRONT_AND_BACK, GL_AMBIENT_AND_DIFFUSE,  
             mat_amb_diff);
```

```
glMaterialfv(GL_FRONT, GL_SPECULAR, mat_specular);
```

```
glMaterialfv(GL_FRONT, GL_SHININESS, shininess);
```



# Global light properties



`glLightModelfv(property, value)`

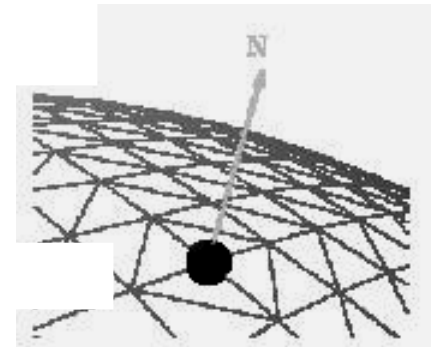
- **Enable two sided lighting**
  - `property = GL_LIGHT_MODEL_TWO_SIDE`
  - `value = GL_TRUE` (`GL_FALSE` if you don't want two sided lighting)
- **Global ambient color**
  - `Property = GL_LIGHT_MODEL_AMBIENT`
  - `Value = (red, green, blue, 1.0);`
- Check the red book for others

# Surface Normals



- Correct normals are essential for correct lighting
- Associate a normal to each vertex

```
glBegin(...)  
  glNormal3f(x,y,z)  
  glVertex3f(x,y,z)  
  ...  
glEnd()
```

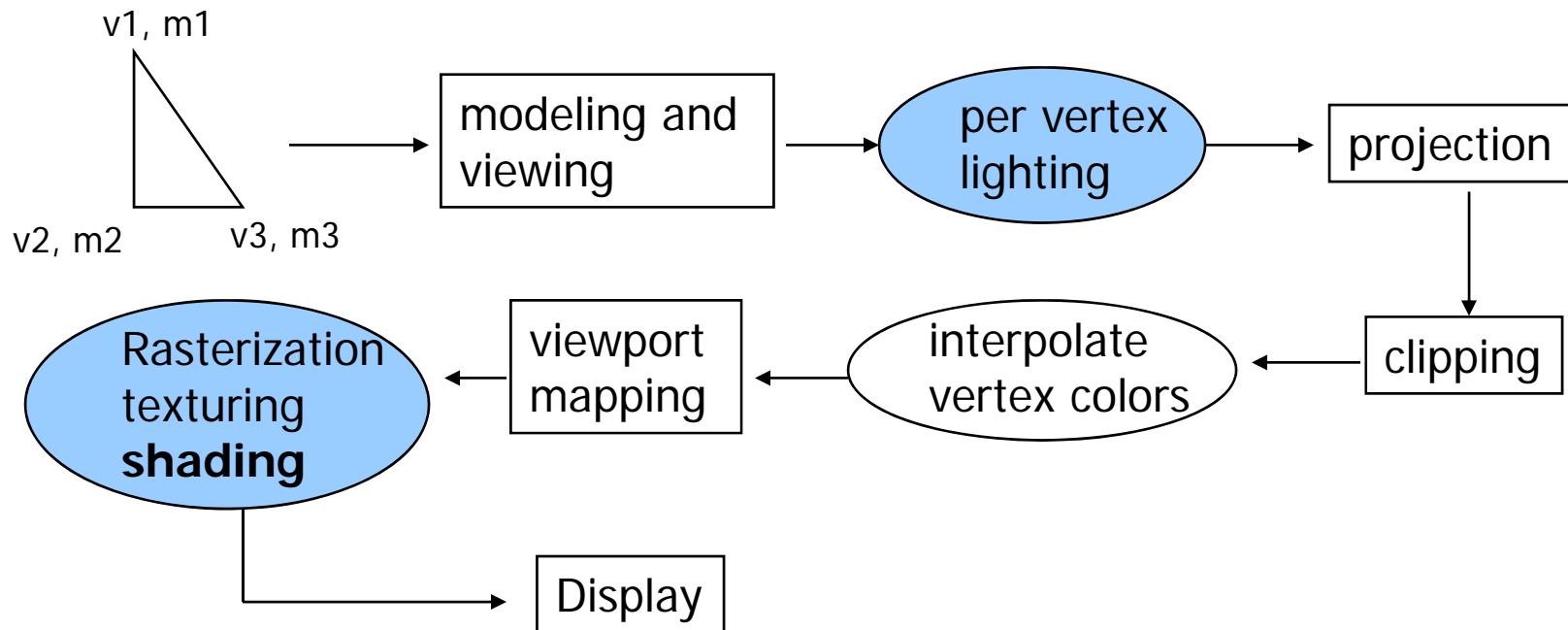


- The normals you provide need to have a unit length
  - You can use `glEnable(GL_NORMALIZE)` to have OpenGL normalize all the normals



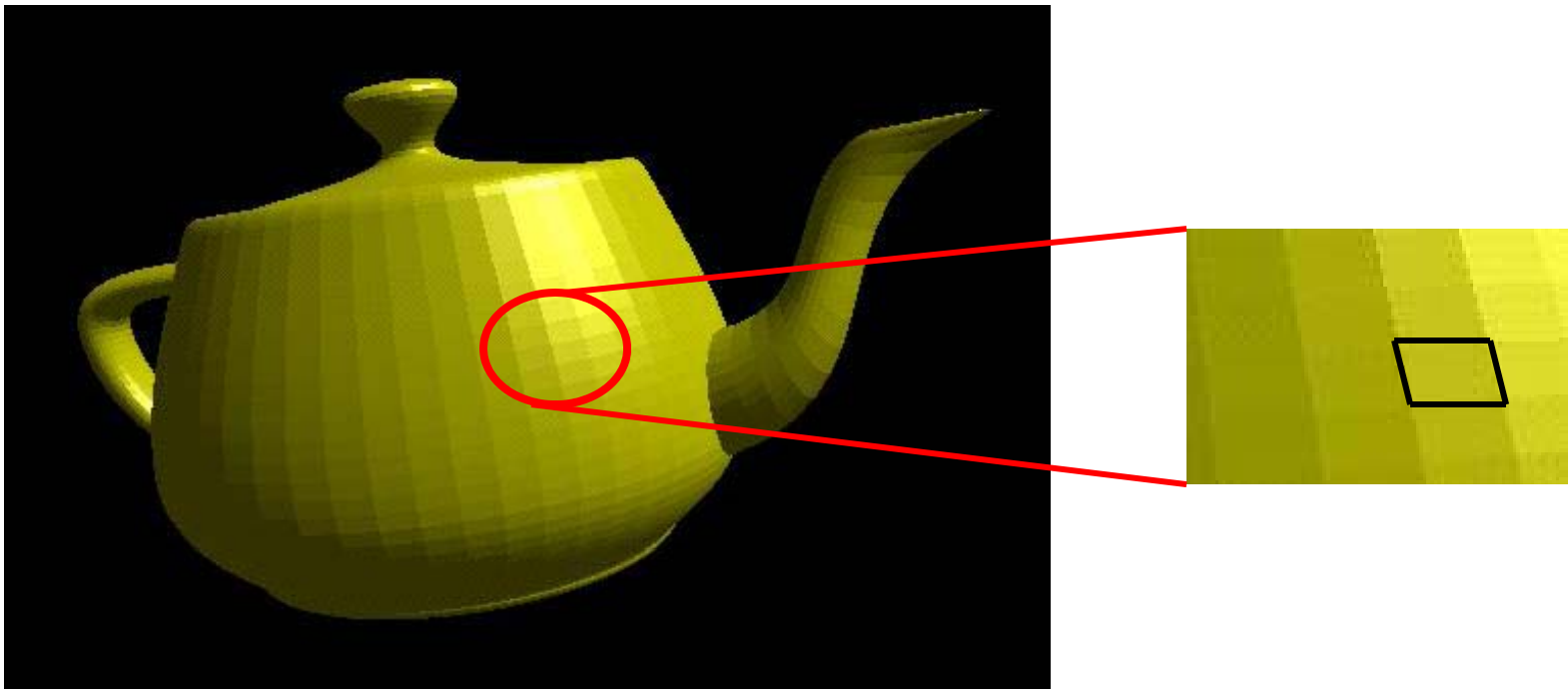
# Lighting revisit

- Where is lighting performed in the graphics pipeline?



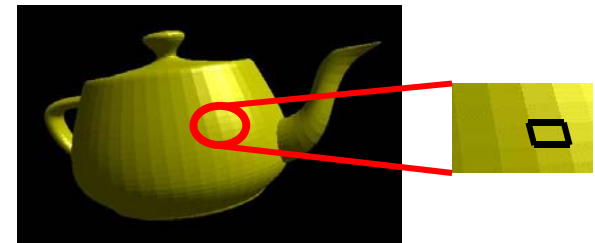
# Polygon shading model

- Flat shading – compute lighting once and assign the color to the whole polygon



# Flat shading

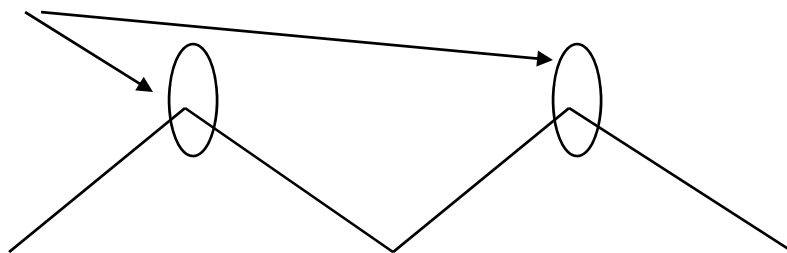
- Only use one vertex (usually the first one) normal and material property to compute the color for the polygon
- Benefit: **fast to compute**
- It is used when:
  - The polygon is small enough
  - The light source is far away (why?)
  - The eye is very far away (why?)
- OpenGL command: `glShadeModel(GL_FLAT)`



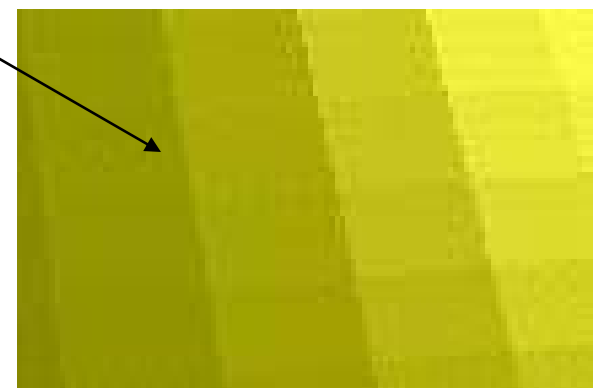
# Mach Band Effect

- Flat shading suffers from “mach band effect”
- Mach band effect – human eyes accentuate the discontinuity at the boundary

perceived intensity



Side view of a polygonal surface

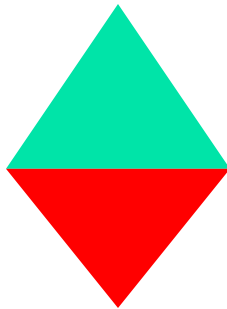




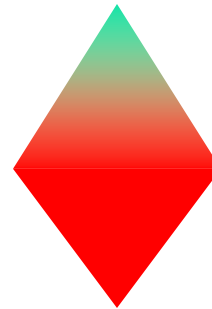
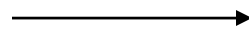
# Smooth shading

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- Reduce the mach band effect – remove value discontinuity
- Compute lighting for more points on each face



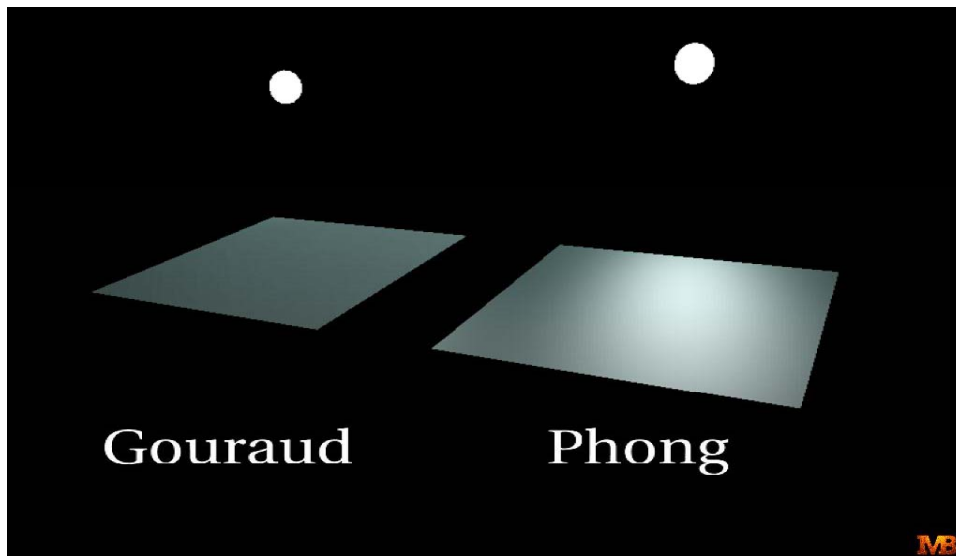
Flat shading



smooth shading

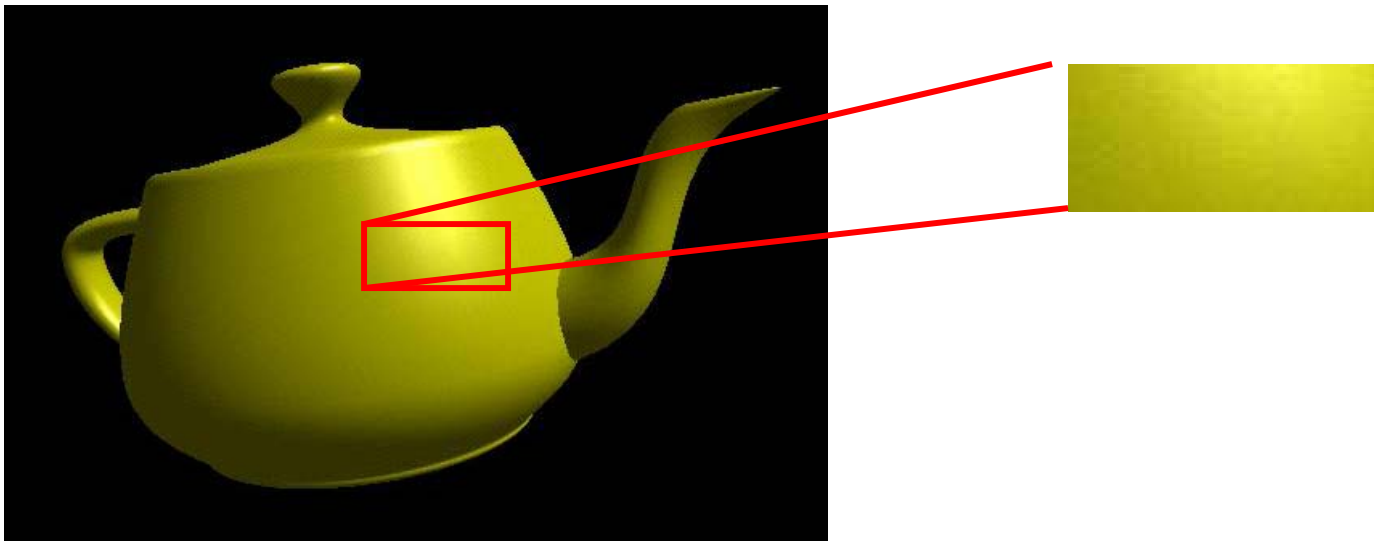
# Smooth shading

- Two popular methods:
  - Gouraud shading (used by OpenGL)
  - Phong shading (better specular highlight, not supported by OpenGL)



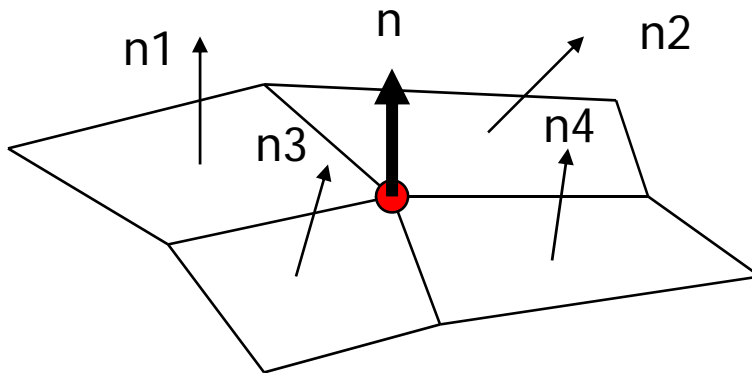
# Gouraud Shading (1)

- The smooth shading algorithm used in OpenGL  
`glShadeModel(GL_SMOOTH)`
- Lighting is calculated for each of the polygon vertices
- Colors are interpolated for interior pixels



# Gouraud Shading (2)

- Per-vertex lighting calculation
- Normal is needed for each vertex
- Per-vertex normal can be computed by averaging the adjacent face normals

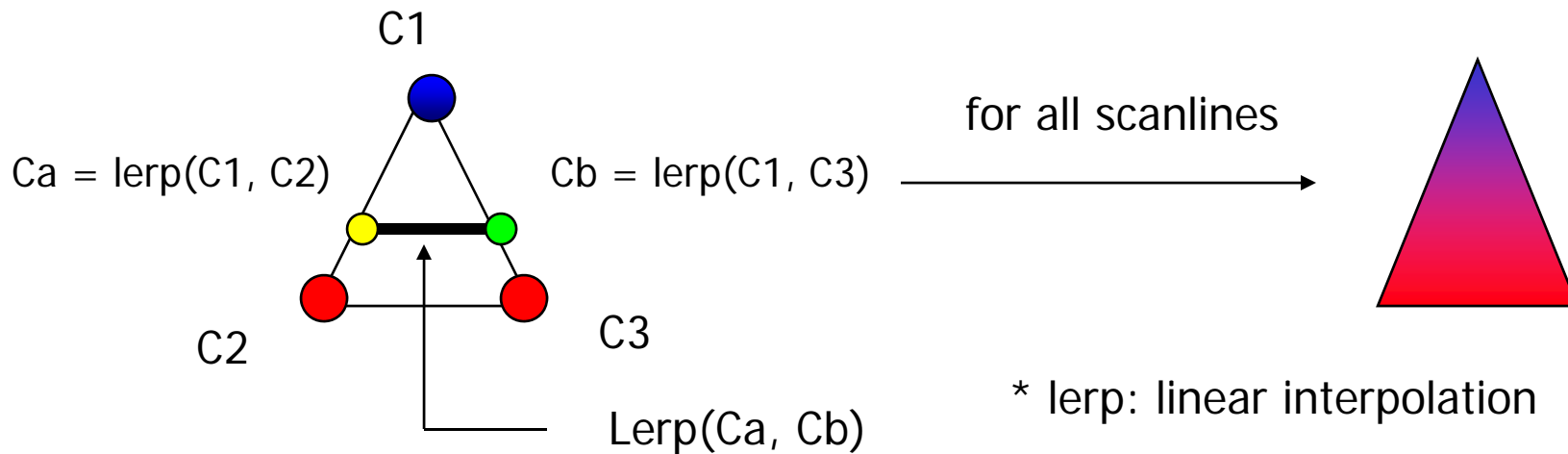


$$n = (n1 + n2 + n3 + n4) / 4.0$$



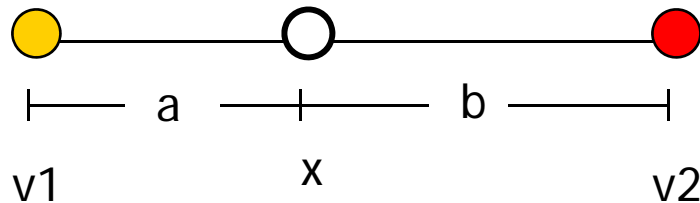
# Gouraud Shading (3)

- Compute vertex illumination (color) before the projection transformation
- Shade interior pixels: color interpolation (normals are not needed)



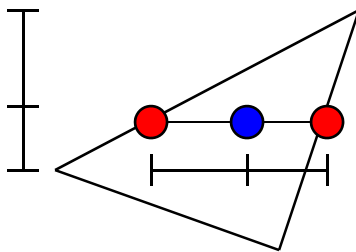
# Gouraud Shading (4)

- Linear interpolation



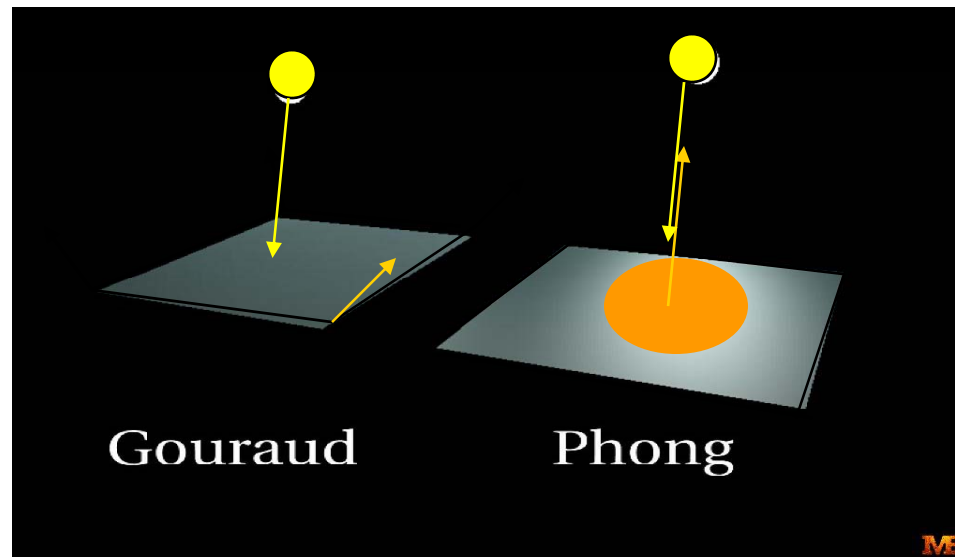
$$x = a / (a+b) * v2 + b / (a+b) * v1$$

- Interpolate triangle color: use y distance to interpolate the two end points in the scanline, and use x distance to interpolate interior pixel colors



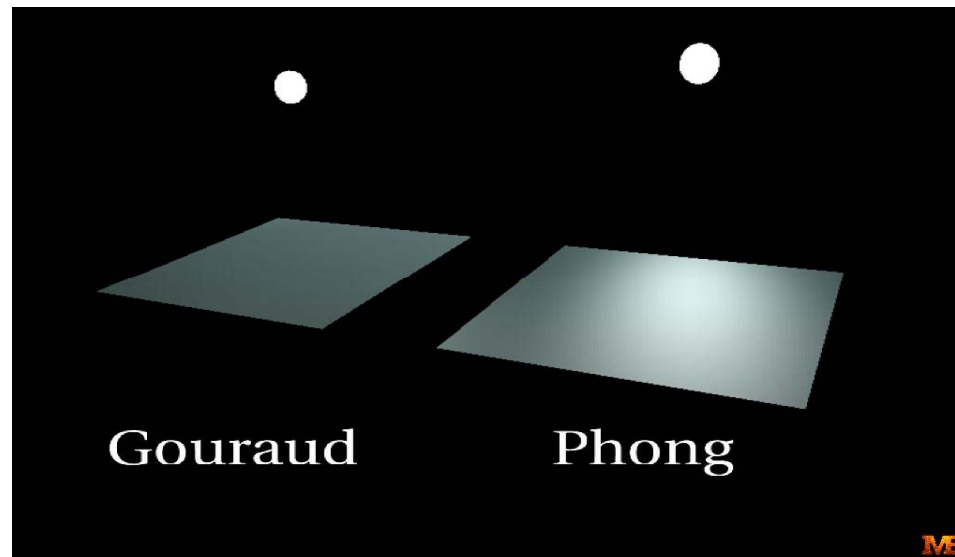
# Gouraud Shading Problem

- Lighting in the polygon interior can be inaccurate



# Gouraud Shading Problem

- Lighting in the polygon interior can be inaccurate





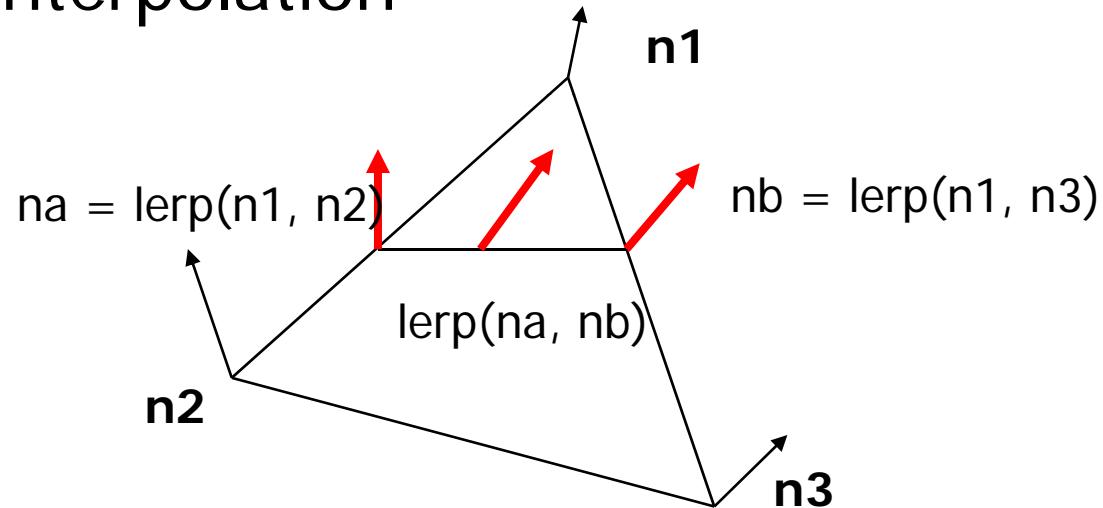
# Phong Shading

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- Instead of color interpolation, we calculate lighting for each pixel inside the polygon (per pixel lighting)
- We need to have normals for all the pixels – not provided by the user
- Phong shading algorithm interpolates the normals and compute lighting during rasterization (need to map the normal back to world or eye space though - WHY?)

# Phong Shading (2)

- Normal interpolation



- Slow – not supported by OpenGL and most of the graphics hardware