Reflection and Refraction

Review: Illuminate routine

Given first intersection of ray with object

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p - point
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obj - object it intersects including material propertiesColorreflectivity

n - normal vector of object at that point

Calculate the color of that point

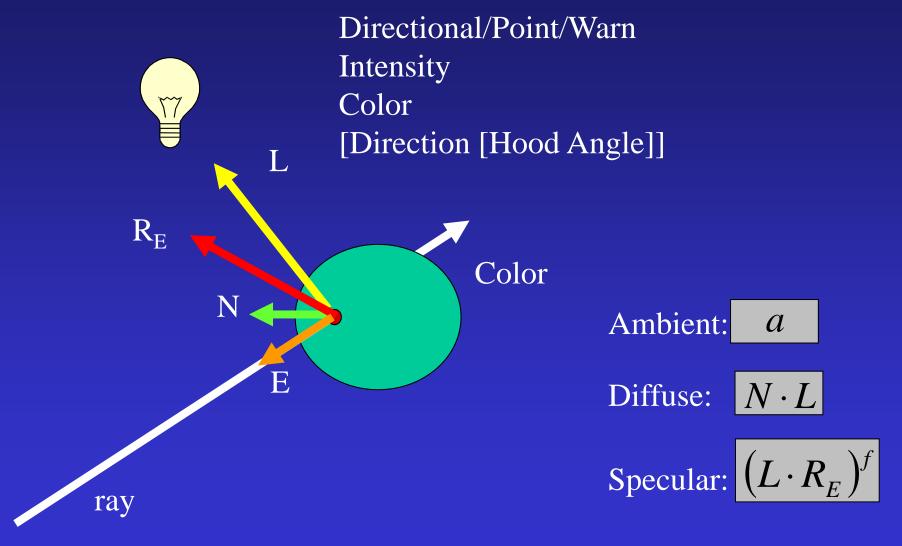
Color = illuminate(p,obj,n)

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Need:

- •Position in space that is to be illuminated
 - •To form vectors to light, camera, etc.
- •Normal vector
 - •To form reflection vector, compute angle to surface
- Access to object's material properties
 - •Color, Reflection coefficients, specular power
- Access to scene data including
 - •Lights: position, type, color, etc
 - •Camera: position
 - •Other objects (shadows, reflections, etc.)

Review: Illumination routine



Introduce SHADE routine

to prepare for recusive organization

```
For each pixel
Compute ray, R, from eye through pixel
C = shade(R)
Pixel.color = C
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Color shade(R)
{
    intersect objects – get closest intersection
    c = ambient
    For each light source
        Add in diffuse and specular components to c
    Return c
}
```

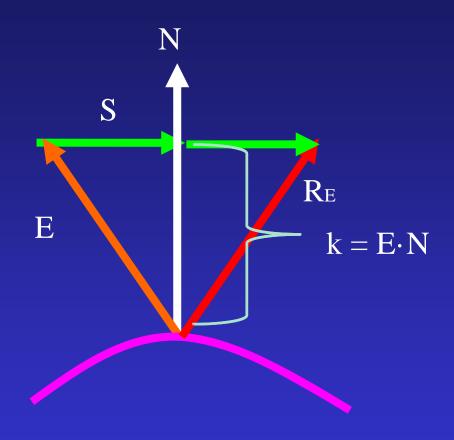
Reflective Ray Tracing

It include reflection effects, in shade routine:

- Compute color of intersection point, just like before
- If object is shiny, spawn a reflective ray and call shade on that ray
- The color returned by reflective ray is attenuated by object's shininess and added to point color
- Limit number of recursive calls by including count and don't spawn ray if maximum is exceeded.

Reflective Ray

$$S = kN - E$$

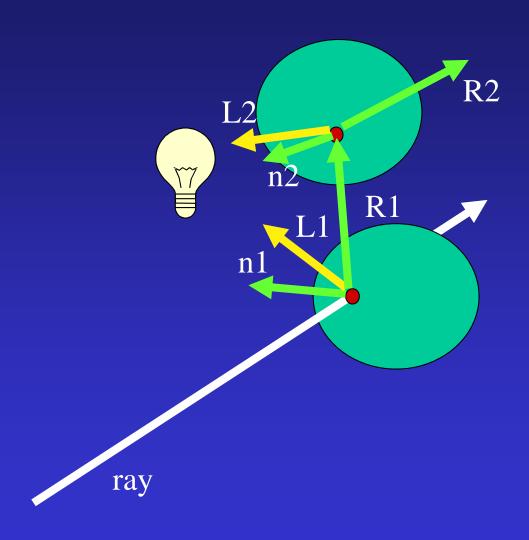


$$R_E = E + S + S = e + 2(kN - E) = 2(E \cdot N)N - E$$

Reflective Ray Tracing

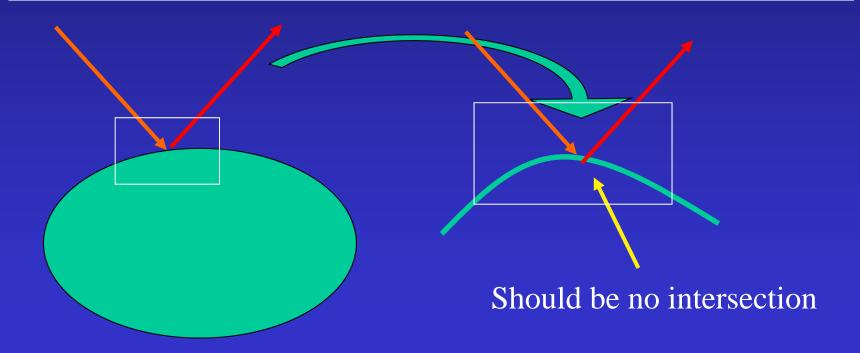
```
Color shade(ray,recursionDepth)
 intersect objects to get point, normal, object
 If (intersection) {
  c = ambient color
  Compute reflective ray, R, based on ray and normal
  For each light source
   Compute and add in diffuse and specular components to c
  If ( (recursionDepth < maxRecursion) && (object is shiny) )
   c += object.shininess * shade(R,recursionDepth+1)
Else c = backgroundColor;
 Return c
```

Reflective Ray Tracing



WARNING!

Be careful not to have spawned reflection ray immediately intersect the object it is leaving!



Refractive Ray Tracing

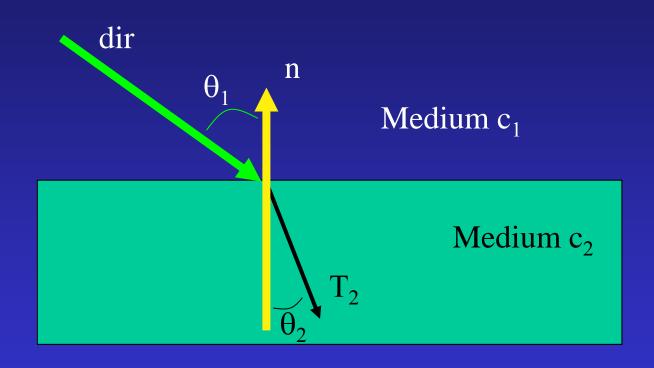
Same idea as Reflective ray tracing – spawn a secondary ray

The direction of the spawned ray is in the direction of the incoming ray altered a little bit

The alteration is based on the material that the ray is leaving (e.g. air) and the material that the ray is entering (e.g., glass)

Once this direction is computed, then the shade routine is called recursively, just as with reflective rays.

Refractive Ray Tracing



Snell's Law
$$n_1 \sin(\theta_1) = n_2 \sin(\theta_2)$$

Refractive Ray Direction

$$\cos(\theta_1) = -\text{dir} \cdot \text{n}$$

$$\sin(\theta_1) = \text{sqrt}(1 - \cos^2(\theta_1))$$

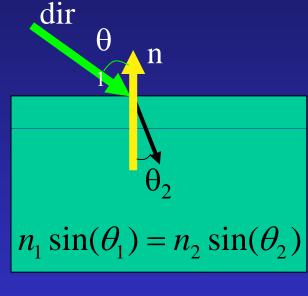
$$\sin(\theta_2) = n_1 * \sin(\theta_1) / n_2$$

$$\cos(\theta_2) = \operatorname{sqrt}(1 - \sin^2(\theta_2))$$

$$\cos(\theta_2) = \operatorname{sqrt}(1 - (n_1 * \sin(\theta_1) / n_2)^2)$$

$$\cos(\theta_2) = \operatorname{sqrt}(1 - (n_1 / n_2)^{2*} (1 - \cos^2(\theta_1)))$$

$$\cos(\theta_2) = \operatorname{sqrt}(1 - (n_1 / n_2)^{2*} (1 - (\operatorname{dir} \cdot \mathbf{n})^2)$$



NOTE: if radical is negative, no refraction!

Refractive Ray Direction

Go $cos(\theta_2)$ in the -n direction

Go $sin(\theta_2)$ in the orthogonal direction (while still in the plane of dir and n)

This direction (scaled by $sin(\theta_1)$) is: dir - (dir-n)n

And scaled by $\sin(\theta_2)$ is: $(n_1/n_2)(\text{dir-}(\text{dir}\cdot n)n)$

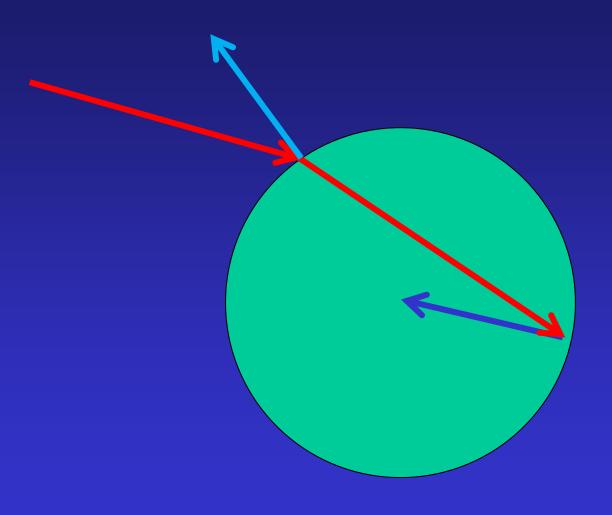
 $\frac{\theta_1}{\text{dir}}$

$$T = (n_1/n_2) dir - (n_1/n_2) (dir \cdot n) n - cos(\theta_2) n$$

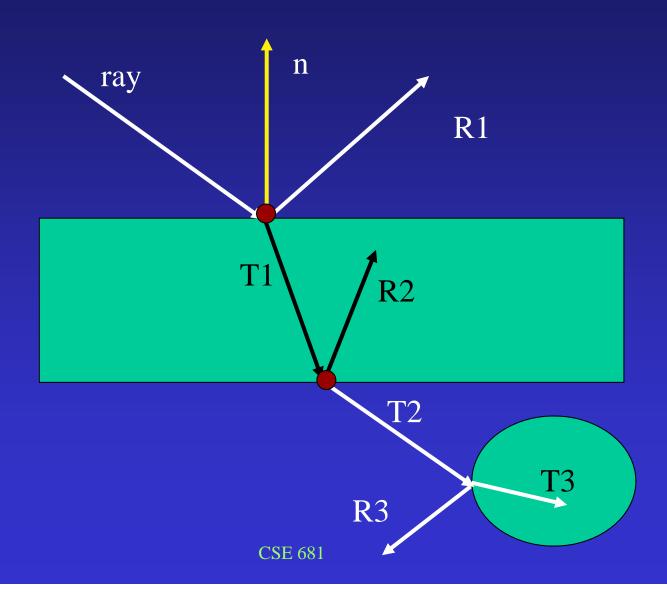
Recursive Ray Tracing

```
Color shade(ray,recursionDepth)
intersect objects...
 compute R ...
 Process each light source ...
 If (recursionDepth < maxRecursion) {</pre>
   If (object is shiny) c += shininess * shade(R, recursionDepth+1)
   If (object is transmittive) {
    Compute refractive ray, T, based on ray, normal, and Snell constants
     c = (1-transmittive)*c + transmittive * shade(T, recursionDepth+1)
 Return c
```

Refractive Intersection Normal



Recursive Ray Tracing



Reflectivity varies with incident angle

NOTE: refraction is really wavelength dependent (where rainbows come from).

Fresnel equations

Schlick approximation:

$$R(\theta) = R_0 + (1 - R_0)(1 - \cos \theta)^5$$

R0 is reflectance at normal incidence:

$$R_0 = 0.8$$

From book:

Assume one of the n_i is always 1 (air); Call the other one n_2

Also uses Beer's Law to attenuate light passing through material (p. 214): $I(s)=I(0)e^a$

```
IF (p is on a dielectric) THEN
r = reflect(d,n)
IF (d.n<0) THEN {
       refract(d,n,n_2,t)
       c=-d.n
       k_r = k_g = k_b = 1
Else {
       k_r = \exp(-a_r t)
       k_g = \exp(-a_g t)
       k_b = \exp(-a_b t)
       If refract(d,-n,1/n,t) then c=t.n
       Else return k*color(p+tr)
R_0 = (n_2 - 1)^2 / (n_2 + 1)^2
R = R_0 + (1 - R_0)(1 - c)^5
Return k(Rcolor(p+tr)+(1-R)color(p+tt))
```