## Outline

- 1. Final Projects
- 2. Radiometry
- 3. Color

# Poster presentations

http://16720.courses.cs.cmu.edu/project.html

#### ==== Availability form =====

One person from each team (at least) is required to fill out the following form about poster printing and availability by this Wednesday (4/20) at midnight.

(this is different from the google spreadsheet set a couple weeks ago):

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/19lo5iS80RScp1uYgWWmYnnLrDPL8nYfrHXKajmQYhtc/ viewform

#### ==== Posters ====

- Posters should fit on a 30in x 40in board. Landscape format is preferred.

- A Blackboard link is now up for submitting posters. All teams must submit a version of their poster (in pdf form) by 11:59pm on Sunday evening. Teams printing their own posters should update this with the final printed version if it changes after Sunday evening.

- It is preferred that each team print their own poster. If you have an SCS account, or have a friend with one, submit your poster using these instructions: https://www.cs.cmu.edu/~help/ printing/poster\_printing.html

You should submit your poster 48 hours ahead of the presentation to ensure it is printed on time. We recommend saving it to a pdf when you submit it (to avoid formatting changes). - If you cannot submit your own poster, the TAs will get the poster printed for you (using the version submitted to Blackboard by Sunday evening). You will have to pick up the poster yourself once it has been printed (you will be notified). This option should be selected in the form you're required to fill out, linked above.

- Tips: check the website for poster formatting tips to avoid common mistakes:

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### ==== Presentations ====

Each team will present on only one of the two days (schedule to be released). Students should arrive between 2:30 and 2:45pm to set up their posters on the day of their presentation. Presentations will be in the NSH Atrium.

### ==== Writeups ====

A Blackboard link is now up for the writeups. Check the website for writeup suggestions (requirements: 8 page maximum, CVPR format):

# Big picture (1)



Low, Mid, High-Level Vision

# Big picture (2)





Physics of appearance

Geometry

# Radiometry

Study of light transport

Classically a computer graphics topic (rendering) What is its relevance to vision?

### Motivation: understanding shadows and shading



Complicating factors

#### 1. Inter-reflections

Other surfaces can reflect light (e.g., the wall of a room), effectively behaving as "light sources" themselves

2. Cast shadows

Cast vs attached shadows

# Motivation: dehazing



Dehazing

## Motivation: photometric stereo



Reconstruct from a single viewpoint, but with multiple images with differing light sources

## Motivation: color processing



Why can color be represented with 3 (R,G,B) values?



Why do objects look different under different illuminations?

## ion



Light source Surface Camera

# Physics of illumination

Global illumination is indirect illumination, bounced or transmitted by nearby objects.

![](_page_11_Picture_2.jpeg)

## Recall: light as a wave + particle

![](_page_12_Picture_1.jpeg)

## Fundamental quantity: irradiance

Measures amount of light hitting a surface

![](_page_13_Figure_2.jpeg)

Irradiance = power of electromagnetic radiation / area

= watts / meter<sup>2</sup>

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![](_page_14_Figure_2.jpeg)

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= watts / meter<sup>2</sup>

Power = energy / sec

## Fundamental quantity: irradiance

Measures amount of light hitting a surface

![](_page_15_Figure_2.jpeg)

Irradiance = power of electromagnetic radiation / area

- = watts / meter<sup>2</sup>
- = joules / (sec meter<sup>2</sup>)

My intuition: # of photons hitting (infinitesimly) small area in (infinitesimly) small time step

# Fundamental quantity (2): radiance

Measures amount of light traveling along rays in space

# Fundamental quantity (2): radiance

Measures amount of light traveling along particular direction in space

![](_page_17_Picture_2.jpeg)

Subtety 1: Should count photons travelling along direction per foreshortened area patch

Subtety 2: Measuring infinitesimly small set of directions in 3D

### **Angles and Solid Angles**

**Angle** 
$$\theta = \frac{l}{r}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  circle has  $2\pi$  radians

• Solid angle 
$$\Omega = \frac{A}{R^2}$$

![](_page_18_Picture_4.jpeg)

 $\Rightarrow$  sphere has  $4\pi$  steradians

CS348B Lecture 4

Pat Hanrahan, Spring 2002

# Differential solid angles

![](_page_19_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_20_Figure_0.jpeg)

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# Fundamental quantity (2): radiance

Measures amount of light traveling along particular direction in space

![](_page_21_Picture_2.jpeg)

Radiance = power / (foreshortened area \* solid angle)

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= watt / (meter<sup>2</sup> * steradians)
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### **BRDF:** Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function

![](_page_22_Figure_1.jpeg)

$$f(\theta_i, \phi_i; \theta_r, \phi_r) = \frac{L_r(\theta_r, \phi_r)}{L_i(\theta_i, \phi_i) \cos \theta_i}$$

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![](_page_23_Figure_1.jpeg)

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(solid angle notation)

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![](_page_24_Figure_1.jpeg)

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 $E_i(\omega_i)$  (directional irradiance falling on patch)

## The "rendering equation"

Add 'x' to model a spatially-varying BRDF

![](_page_25_Figure_2.jpeg)

$$L_r(x,\omega_r) = L_e(x,\omega_r) + \int_{\Omega} L_i(x,\omega_i)f(x,\omega_i,\omega_r)\cos\theta_i d\omega_i$$
$$= L_e(x,\omega_r) + \int_{\Omega} L_r(x',-\omega_i)f(x,\omega_i,\omega_r)\cos\theta_i d\omega_i$$

Replace incident irradiance with reflected radiance from some other surface in the scene

Global illumination: given lights (Le), visibility/geometry (x,x'), and materials (BRDFs) in a scene, solve for reflected radiance

## Measuring BRDFs

![](_page_26_Picture_1.jpeg)

Stanford Spherical Gantry

## Visualizing BRDFs

![](_page_27_Figure_1.jpeg)

Foley & Van Dam

In order to make computations tractable, we'll make lots of simplifying assumptions: constant (albedo), mirror-like, etc...

## Special cases

Isotropic

 $f(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_r, \phi_r) = f(\theta_i, \theta_i, \phi_r - \phi_i)$ 

![](_page_28_Picture_3.jpeg)

Rotate about normal without changing reflections

(most materials)

Anisotropic  $f(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_r, \phi_r)$ 

![](_page_28_Picture_7.jpeg)

### Special case (2): constant (Lambertian/diffuse) BRDF

![](_page_29_Figure_1.jpeg)

- Surface appears equally bright from ALL directions! (independent of v)
- Lambertian BRDF is simply a constant :  $f(\omega_i, \omega_r) = \rho_d$  (albedo)
- Surface Radiance :  $L \propto I \cos \theta_i = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{s}$
- Commonly used in Vision and Graphics!

### Application: photometric stereo

![](_page_30_Picture_1.jpeg)

Given multiple measurements of images with known lighting directions (s), solve for normals with least squares

### White-out Conditions from an Overcast Sky

![](_page_31_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_31_Picture_2.jpeg)

CAN'T perceive the shape of the snow covered terrain!

![](_page_31_Picture_4.jpeg)

CAN perceive shape in regions lit by the street lamp!!

WHY?

### Special case (2): ideal mirror

![](_page_32_Figure_1.jpeg)

- Very smooth surface.
- All incident light energy reflected in a SINGLE direction. (only when V = r)
- Mirror BRDF is simply a double-delta function :

specular albedo  

$$f(\theta_i, \phi_i; \theta_v, \phi_v) = \rho_s \,\delta(\theta_i - \theta_v) \,\delta(\phi_i + \pi - \phi_v)$$

• Surface Radiance:  $L = I \rho_s \delta(\theta_i - \theta_v) \delta(\phi_i + \pi - \phi_v)$ 

### Specular Reflections in Nature

![](_page_33_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_33_Picture_2.jpeg)

It's surprising how long the reflections are when viewed sitting on the river bank.

Compare sizes of objects and their reflections!

The reflections when seen from a lower view point are always longer than when viewed from a higher view point.

![](_page_33_Picture_6.jpeg)

### Intermeddiate regimes

![](_page_34_Picture_1.jpeg)

Specular/mirror

Diffuse / lambertian

## Spectral BRDFs

Photon particles move with particular wavelengths, so incorporate these terms into rendering model

![](_page_35_Figure_2.jpeg)
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Two ways to talk about; color of *light* (additive) or color of *surfaces* (subtractive)



Yellow Magenta Blue/Violet Green Cyan Spectral BRDFs  $f(\omega_i, \omega_r, \lambda) \approx \rho(\lambda)$ 

Red/Orange

(spectral) abledo is a constant approximation of BRDF

Spectral radiance

 $L(\omega,\lambda)$ 



Any patch of light can be completely described physically by its spectrum: the number of photons (per time unit) at each wavelength 400 - 700 nm.



### Some examples of the spectra of light sources



#### Some examples of the reflectance spectra of surfaces



Wavelength (nm)



These plots suggest that 3 numbers are not sufficient to represent a color. So what gives? (answer in a bit) There is no simple functional description for the perceived color of all lights under all viewing conditions, but .....

A helpful constraint: Consider only physical spectra with normal distributions









### Wavelength



### Wavelength



**Photons** 

#

### Wavelength

## A strange observation...

Some different wavelength distributions "look" the same



### A closer look: human sensing

#### The Eye



#### The human eye is a camera!

- Iris colored annulus with radial muscles
- **Pupil** the hole (aperture) whose size is controlled by the iris
- What's the "film"?
  - photoreceptor cells (rods and cones) in the retina

## Human photoreceptors



"blue" "green" "red"

### Metamers revisted



## The mathematics of color





#### Photo-receptors

Incoming light

 $I(\lambda)$ 

500

600

700

D. Normal Daylight

Rel. power

400

$$v_i = \int_0^\infty I(\lambda) R_i(\lambda) d\lambda \qquad i = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

### The mathematics of color

$$v_i = \int_0^\infty I(\lambda) R_i(\lambda) d\lambda$$

Means the perception of color is *linear* 

 $I_1(\lambda) \to v_1, v_2, v_3$  $I_2(\lambda) \to w_1, w_2, w_3$  $\alpha I_1(\lambda) + \beta I_2(\lambda) \to$ 

## What about non-humans?



#### http://graphics.stanford.edu/courses/cs178/applets/locus.html

### How do we numerically represent a color?

Given a candidate color, find scale factors for tuning 3 reference primaries so that they visually match



http://graphics.stanford.edu/courses/cs178/applets/colormatching.html

### Summary of color matching



- 1. given a stimulus wavelength, the amount of each primary required to match it is given by three numbers (r, g, b)
- 2. some stimuli cannot be matched unless first desaturated by adding some of one primary to it before matching; the amount added is denoted by negative values of r, g, or b
- 3. the sequence of (r, g, b) values, some negative, required to match the locus of spectral colors across all λ, form the *trichromatic matching functions* r(λ), g(λ), and b(λ) for a particular set of 3 primaries



RGB color matching function

Given color-matching functions, how do I compute  $\bar{r}, \bar{g}, \bar{b}$  values for a new light spectra  $I(\lambda)$ ?



Write any spectra as a linear combination of single-wavelength signals

$$I(\lambda) \approx I(0)\delta(\lambda) + I(1)\delta(\lambda - 1) + I(2)\delta(\lambda - 2) + \dots$$
$$= \int_0^\infty I(u)\delta(\lambda - u)du$$

To predict response to a particular (e.g., red) photoreceptor, we need only know its sensitivity to single-wavelength signals

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 $v_i[I(\lambda)] \approx I(0)R_i(0) + I(1)R_i(1) + \dots$  $= \int_0^\infty I(\lambda)R_i(\lambda)d\lambda$ 

photoreceptor sensitivity function

$$i = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

## Spectral locus



Range of RGB values encountered for single-wavelength stimulus

## RGB cube



Use red, green, and blue primaries Define RGB = (255,255,255) to be a reference white and (0,0,0) to be reference black Cannot represent colors with requiring negative R,G,B values

# Alternative parameterization: HSV



### Separate out luminance (brightness) versus chrominance+(color)



Points in the RGB cube having the same chromaticity but varying brightness lie along lines emanating from black (0,0,0)

### Chrominance view of spectral locus



r>0,g>0 does not enclose spectral locus

http://graphics.stanford.edu/courses/cs178/applets/threedgamut.html

### CIE XYZ color space

CIE = "International Commission on Illumination"



Define positive color matching functions (no real primaries)

x>0,y>0 does include all spectral colors

http://graphics.stanford.edu/courses/cs178/applets/threedgamut.html



# CIE Luv (or Lab)



McAdam ellipses: just-noticeable differences in color

Ellipses are more circular

Luv,Lab is a nice color space to work with when measuring pixel differences (e.g., SSD) L measures luminance (brightness) and u,v (or a,b) measures chrominance

## Color constancy



Appearance of surface = product of surface reflectance + illumination

Color constancy: an illumination-independent representation of the scene - what would it look like under white light?

## Human color constancy



- Human visual system changes its sensitivity depending on the prevailing colors in the visual field
- Iris changes size (walking into a building from sunshine)
- If scene has lots of red light, red sensitivity of receptors decrease until scene looks white

## Color constancy algorithms

Von Kries adaption model: multiple each RGB channel by gain factor

Easy approach:

- 1. Take a picture of a reference object (white or grey)
- 2. If object color is  $(r_w, g_w, b_w)$ , use gains of  $(1/r_w, 1/g_w, 1/b_w)$ ,



## Color constancy algorithms

Statistically infer grey value from image

- 1. Grey-world assumption: assume average RGB color is grey
- 2. Assume brightest pixel value is a highlight with illuminant color
- 3. Gamut mapping: transform convex hull of all pixels in an image to gamut under "typical" white light





grey value = moon



grey value = stone

### Color as a cue for recognition

Usually gets clobbered by within-class variation


### Color histograms for instance-level matching







Swain & Ballard, "Color Indexing" IJCV 91

# Skin detection



Jones & Rehg "Statistical Color Models with Application to Skin Detection" IJCV 02 Color histogram on RGB. Why not Lab?

# SSD matching

#### original

low resolution





# Matching accuracy



Park & Ramanan, 2015

# Take-home points for color

- True "color" is represented as a continuous distribution over wavelengths
- Humans perceive color by projecting wavelength onto 3 color receptors types (implying metamers do exist, and they depend on the person/organism).
- As a consequence, color responses behave linearly. One convenient representation is a (trichromatic) color matching function.
- Lab,Luv are better color spaces for measuring euclidean distance