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# CSCI 420: **Computer Graphics**

## **5.1 Lighting and Shading**



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# Debunking Lunar Landing Conspiracies with Global Illumination

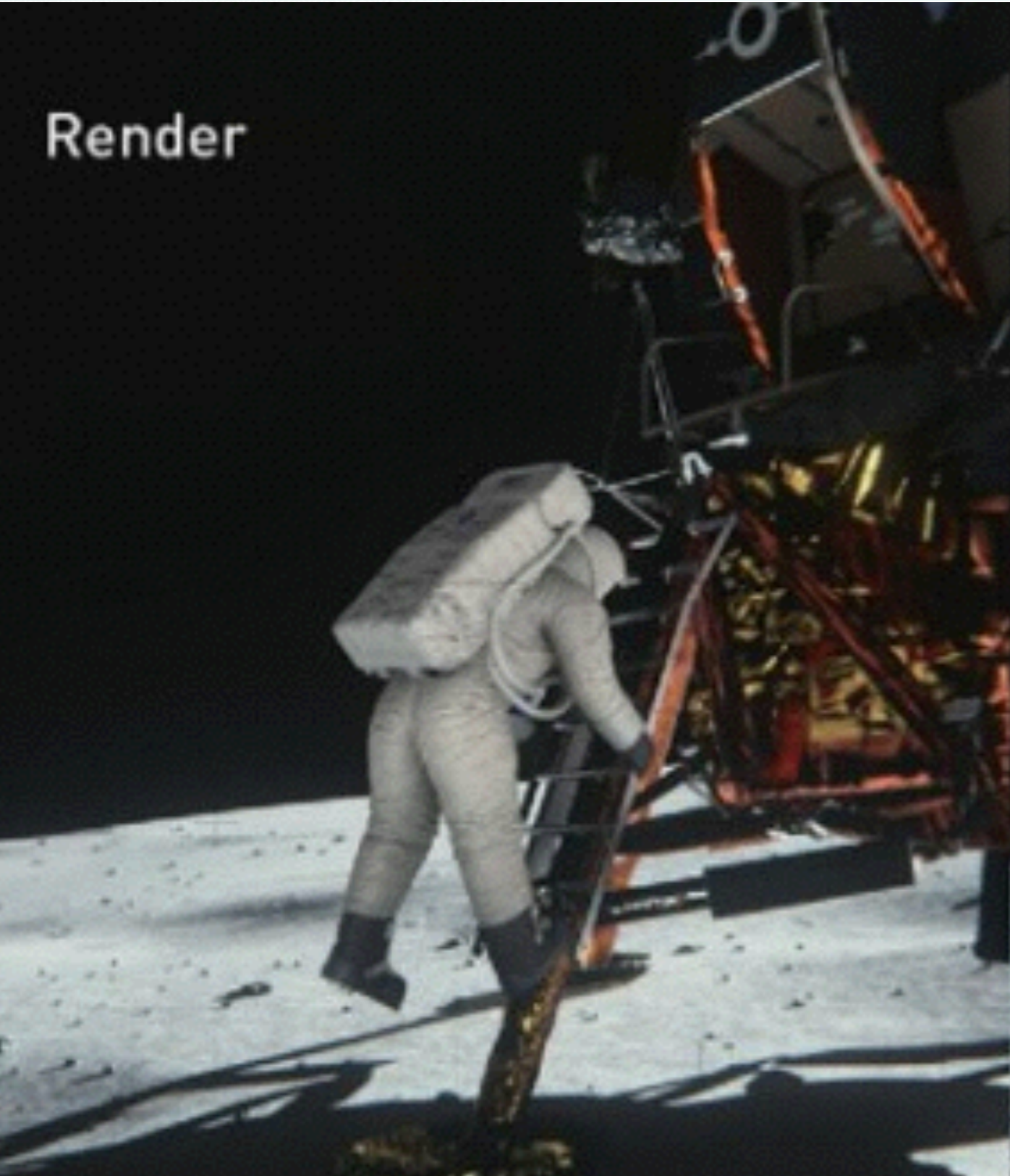
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# Single Light Source for Global Illumination

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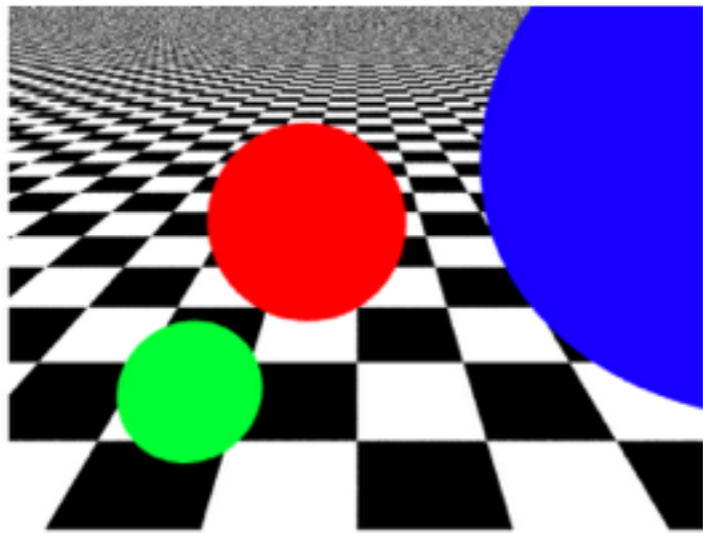
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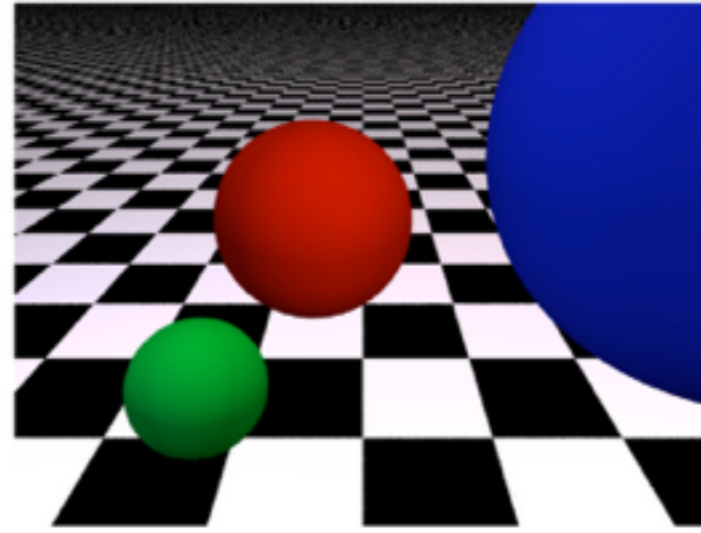
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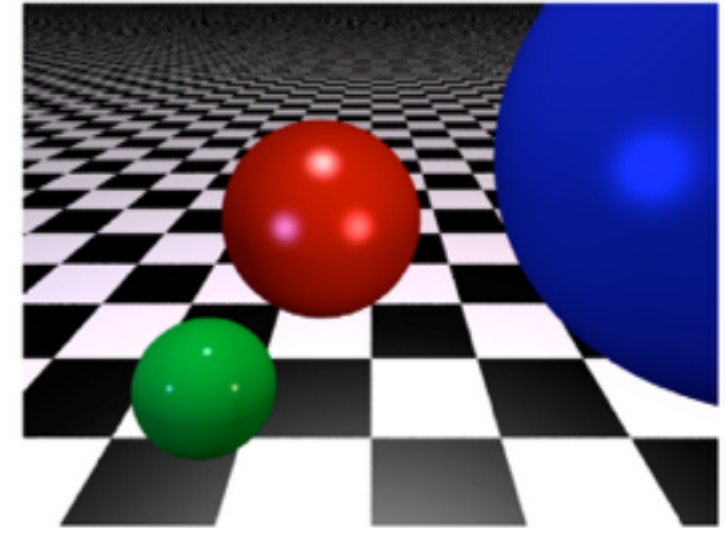
# Lighting



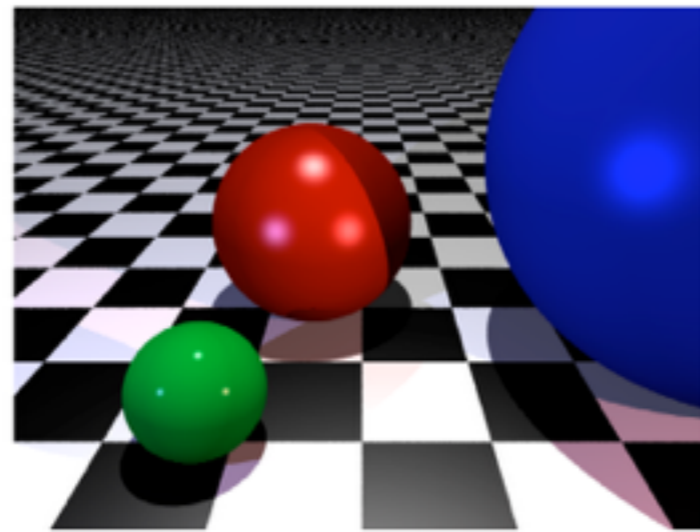
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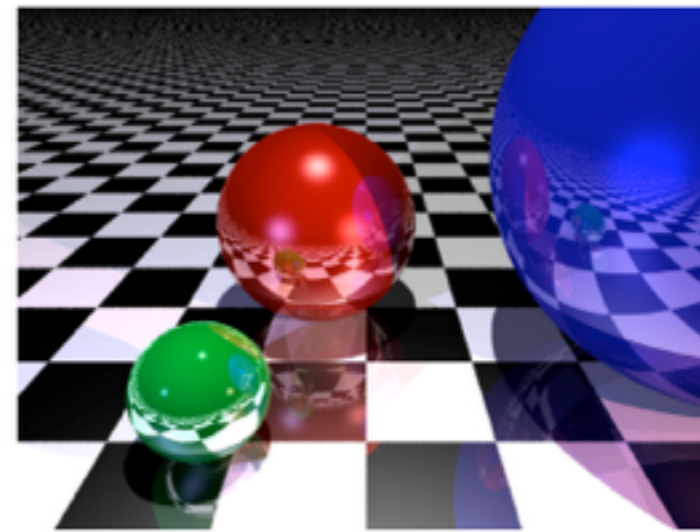
+ Diffuse



+ Specular



+ Shadows



+ Reflections

# Outline

- Global and Local Illumination
- Normal Vectors
- Light Sources
- Phong Illumination Model

# Global Illumination

- Ray tracing
- Radiosity
- Photon Mapping
- Follow light rays through a scene
- Accurate, but expensive (off-line)



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# Raytracing Example



Martin Moeck,  
Siemens Lighting

# Radiosity Example

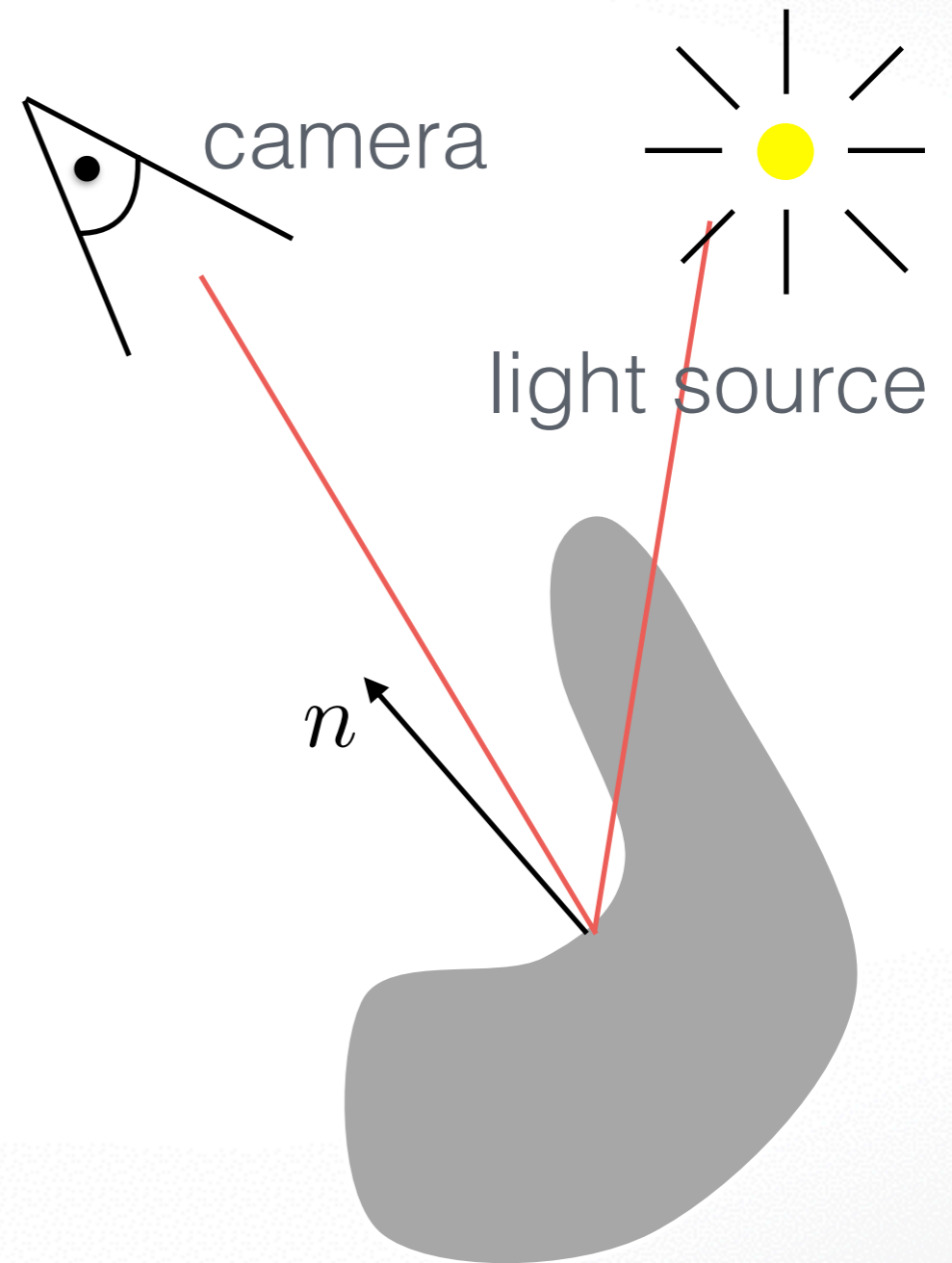


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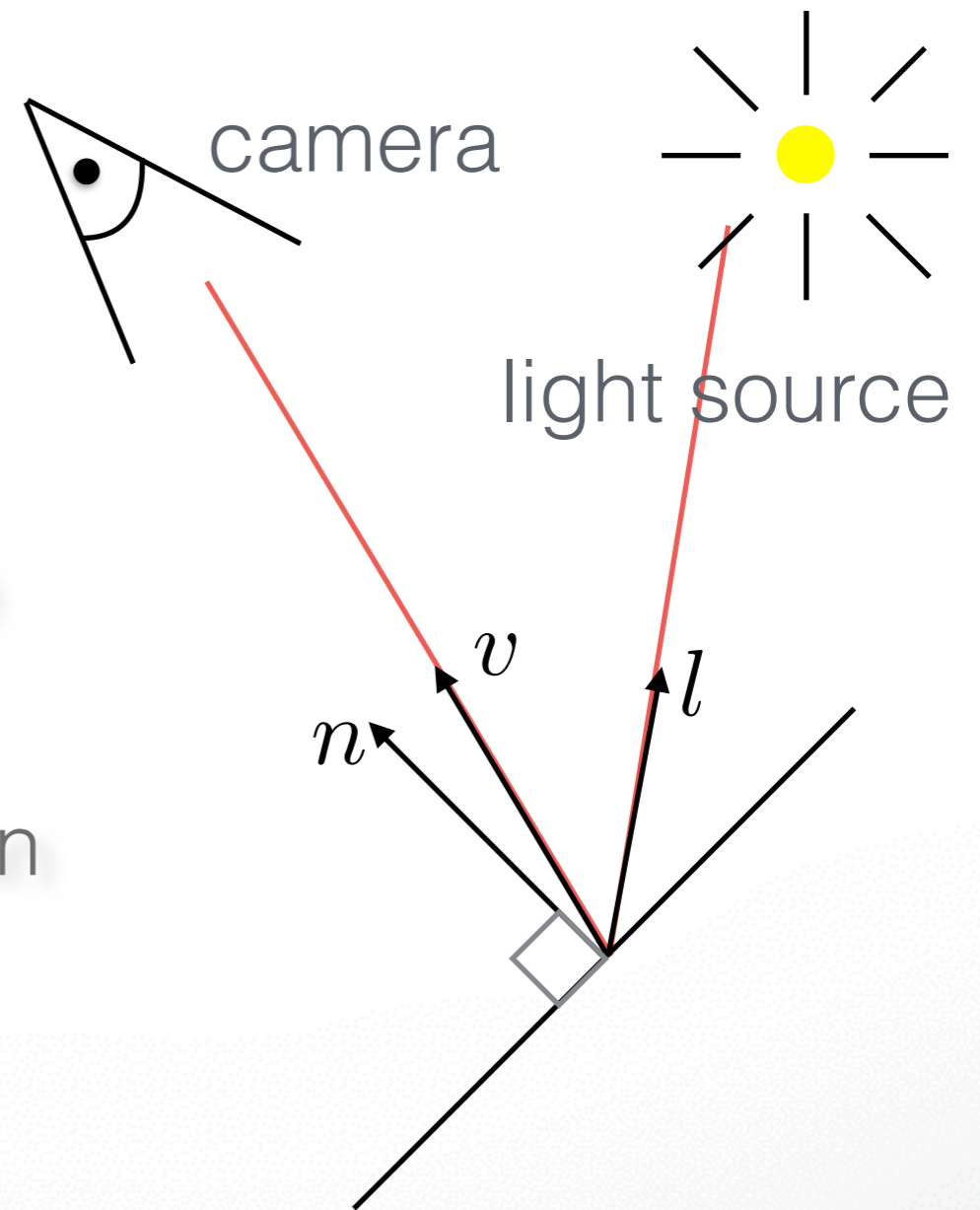
# Local Illumination

- Approximate model
- Local interaction between light, surface, viewer
- **Phong model** (this lecture): fast, supported in OpenGL
- GPU shaders
- Pixar Renderman (offline)



# Local Illumination

- Approximate model
- Local interaction between light, surface, viewer
- Color determined only based on surface normal, relative camera position and relative light position
- What effects does this ignore?



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# Normal Vectors

- Must calculate and specify the normal vector
  - Even in OpenGL!
- Two examples: plane and sphere

# Normals of a Plane, Method I

- Method I: given by  $ax + by + cz + d = 0$
- Let  $p_0$  be a known point on the plane
- Let  $p$  be an arbitrary point on the plane
- Recall:  $u \cdot v = 0$  if and only if  $u$  orthogonal to  $v$
- $n \cdot (p - p_0) = n \cdot p - n \cdot p_0 = 0$
- Consequently  $n_0 = [a \quad b \quad c]^T$
- Normalize to  $n = \frac{n_0}{|n_0|}$

# Normals of a Plane, Method II

- Method II: plane given by  $p_0, p_1, p_2$
- Points must not be collinear
- Recall:  $u \times v$  orthogonal to  $u$  and  $v$
- $n_0 = (p_1 - p_0) \times (p_2 - p_0)$
- Order of cross product determines orientation
- Normalize to  $n = \frac{n_0}{|n_0|}$

# Normals of Sphere

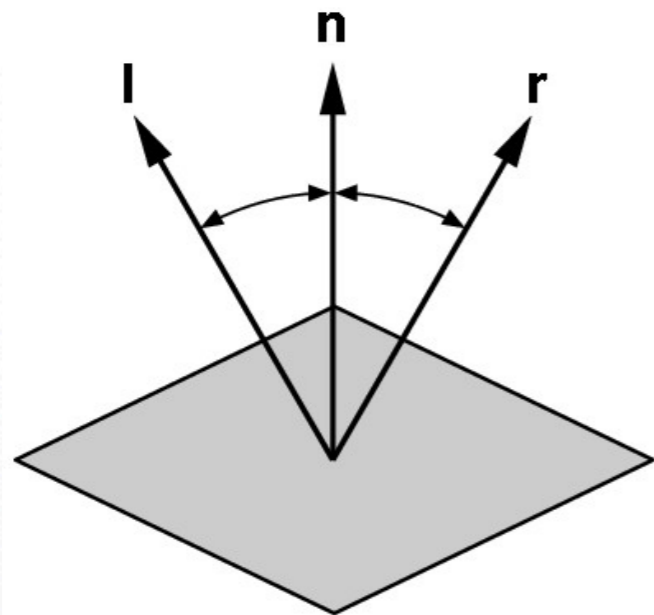
- Implicit Equation  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1 = 0$
- Vector form:  $f(p) = p \cdot p - 1 = 0$
- Normal given by **gradient vector**

$$n_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x \\ 2y \\ 2z \end{bmatrix} = 2p$$

- Normalize  $\frac{n_0}{|n_0|} = \frac{2p}{2} = p$

# Reflected Vector

- Perfect reflection: angle of incident equals angle of reflection
- Also:  $l$ ,  $n$ , and  $r$  lie in the same plane
- Assume  $|l| = |n| = 1$ , guarantee  $|r| = 1$



$$l \cdot n = \cos(\theta) = n \cdot r$$

$$r = \alpha l + \beta n$$

$$\text{Solution : } \alpha = -1 \text{ and } \beta = 2(l \cdot n)$$

$$r = 2(l \cdot n)n - l$$



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# Light Sources and Material Properties

- Appearance depends on
  - Light sources, their locations and properties
  - Material (surface) properties:



- Viewer position

# Types of Light Sources

- **Ambient light**: no identifiable source or direction
- **Point source**: given only by point
- **Distant light**: given only by direction
- **Spotlight**: from source in direction
  - Cut-off angle defines a cone of light
  - Attenuation function (brighter in center)

# Point Source

- Given by a point  $p_0$
- Light emitted equally in all directions
- Intensity decreases with square of distance

$$I \propto \frac{1}{|p - p_0|^2}$$

# Limitations of Point Sources

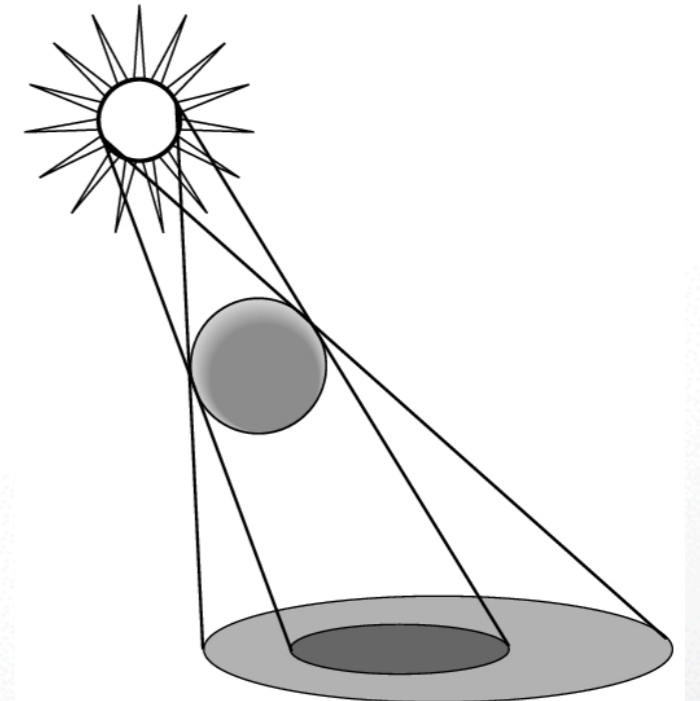
- Shading and shadows inaccurate
- Example: penumbra (partial “soft” shadow)
- Similar problems with highlights
- Compensate with attenuation

$$\frac{1}{a + bq + cq^2}$$

$$q = \text{distance} |p - p_0|$$

$a, b, c \text{ constants}$

- Softens lighting
- Better with ray tracing
- Better with radiosity

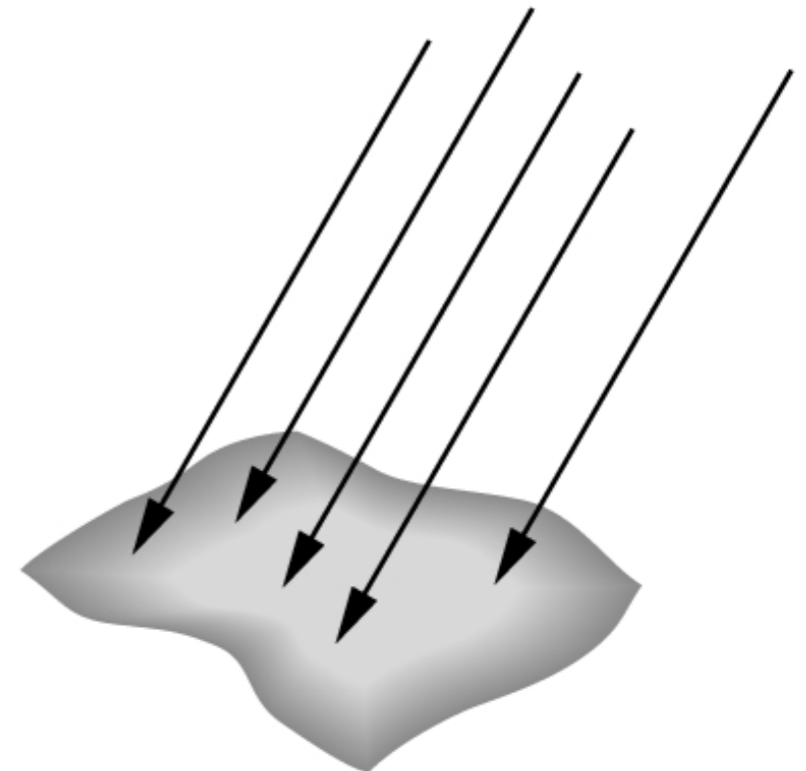


# Distant Light Source

- Given by a direction vector
- Simplifies some calculations

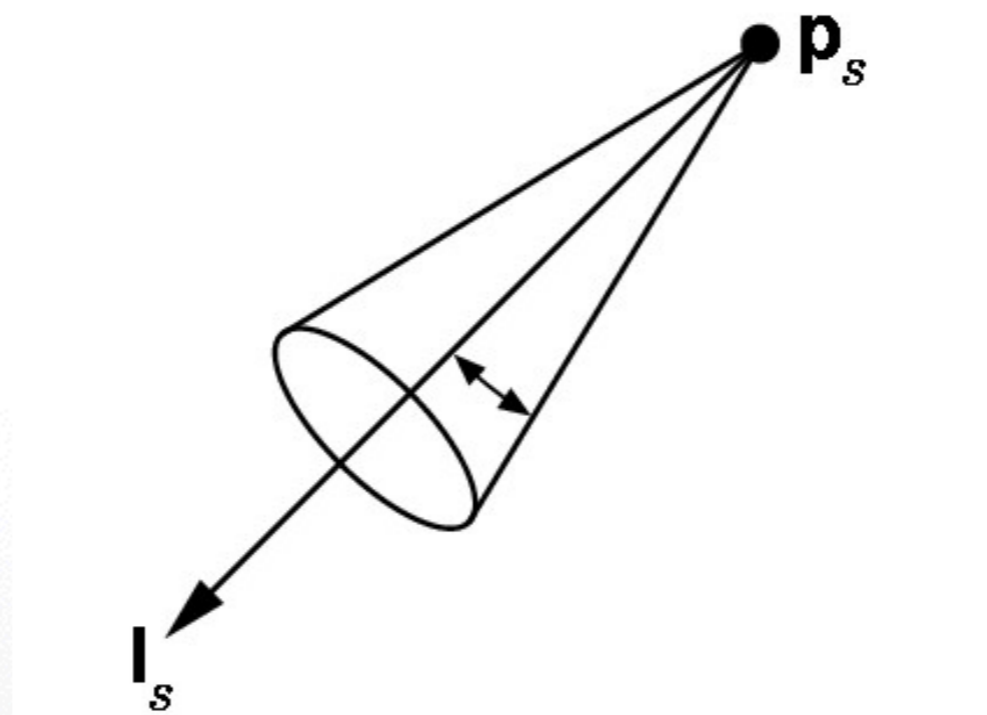
- In OpenGL:

- Point source  $\begin{bmatrix} x & y & z & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$
- Distant source  $\begin{bmatrix} x & y & z & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$



# Spotlight

- Most complex light source in OpenGL
- Light still emanates from point
- Cut-off by cone determined by angle  $\theta$



# Global Ambient Light

- Independent of light source
- Lights entire scene
- Computationally inexpensive
- Simply add[  $G_R$   $G_G$   $G_B$  ] to every pixel on every object
- Not very interesting on its own  
A cheap hack to make the scene brighter



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# Phong Lighting



# Phong Illumination Overview

- Calculate color for arbitrary point on surface
- Compromise between realism and efficiency
- Local computation (no visibility calculations)
- Basic inputs are material properties and  $l$ ,  $n$ ,  $v$ :

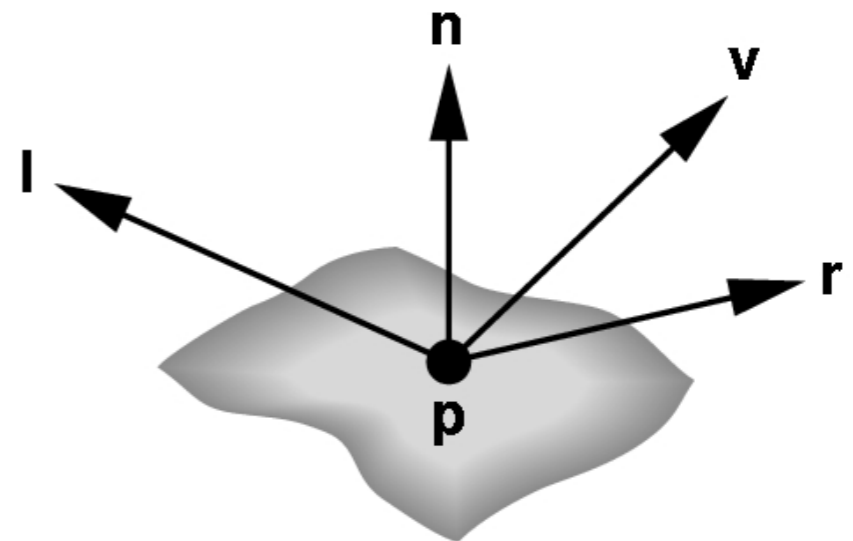
$l$  = unit vector to light source

$n$  = surface normal

$v$  = unit vector to viewer

$r$  = reflection of  $l$  at  $p$

(determined by  $l$  and  $n$ )



# Phong Illumination Overview

1. Start with global ambient light  $[ G_R \quad G_G \quad G_B ]$
  2. Add contributions from each light source
  3. Clamp the final result to  $[0, 1]$
- Calculate each color channel (R,G,B) **separately**
  - Light source contributions decomposed into
    - Ambient reflection
    - Diffuse reflection
    - Specular reflection
  - Based on ambient, diffuse, and specular **lighting and material** properties

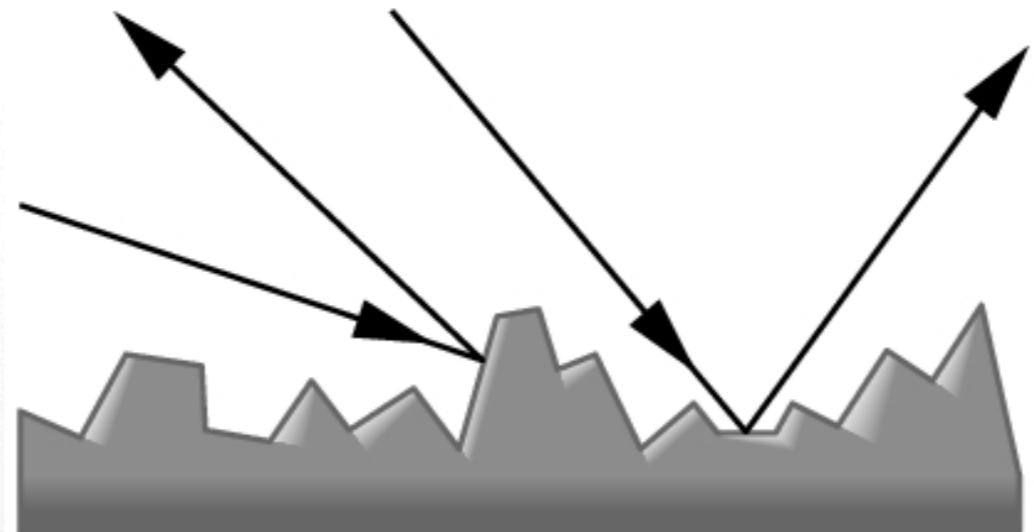
# Ambient Reflection

$$I_a = k_a L_a$$

- Intensity of ambient light is uniform at every point
- Ambient reflection coefficient  $k_a$  (material),  $0 \leq k_a \leq 1$
- May be different for every surface and r,g,b
- Determines reflected fraction of ambient light
- $L_a$  = ambient component of light source  
(can be set to different value for each light source)
- Note:  $L_a$  is **not** a physically meaningful quantity

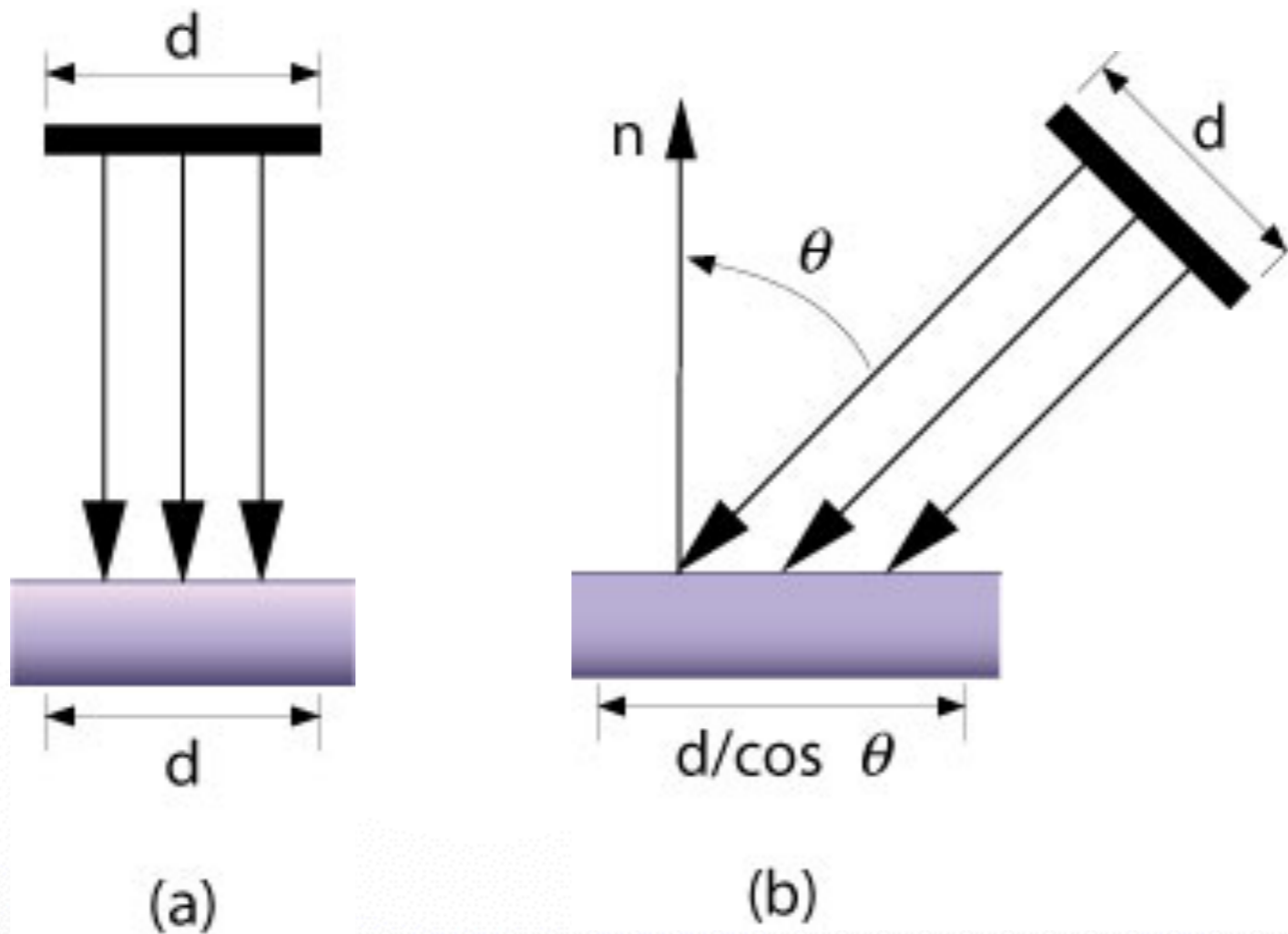
# Diffuse Reflection

- Diffuse reflector scatters light
- Assume equally all direction
- Called **Lambertian** surface
- Diffuse reflection coefficient  $k_d$  (material),  $0 \leq k_d \leq 1$
- Angle of incoming light is important



# Lambert's Law

- Intensity depends on angle of incoming light.



# Diffuse Light Intensity Depends On Angle Of Incoming Light

- Recall

$l$  = unit vector to light

$n$  = unit surface normal

$\theta$  = angle to normal

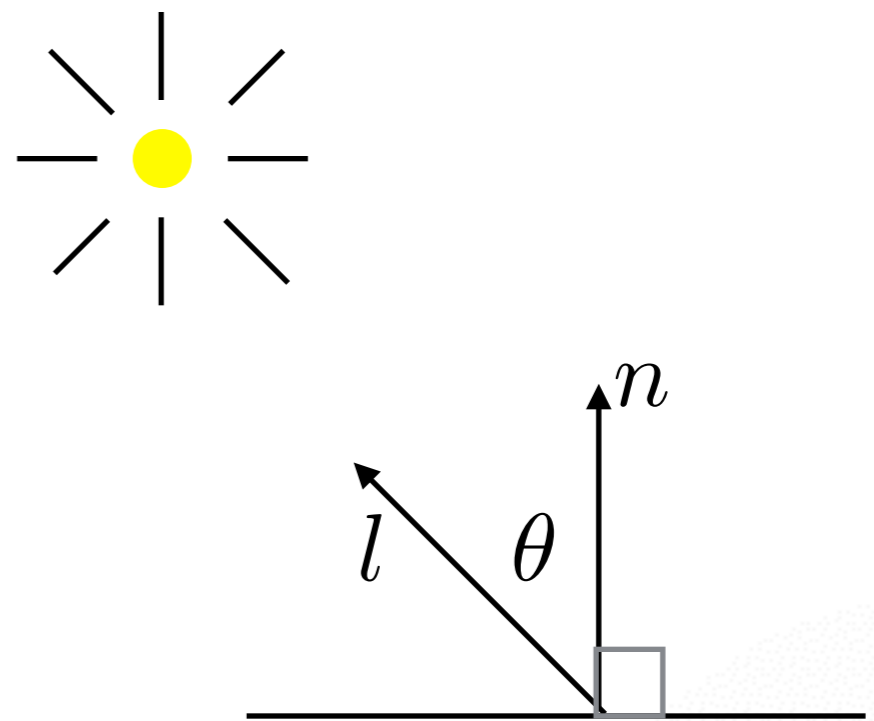
- $\cos(\theta) = l \cdot n$

- $I_d = k_d L_d (l \cdot n)$

- With attenuation:

$$I_d = \frac{k_d L_d}{a + bq + cq^2} (l \cdot n)$$

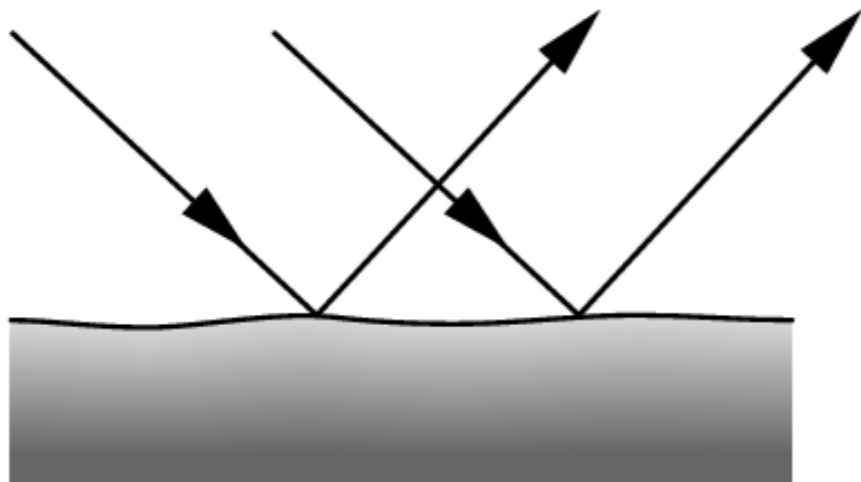
$q$  = distance to light source,  
 $L_d$  = diffuse component of light



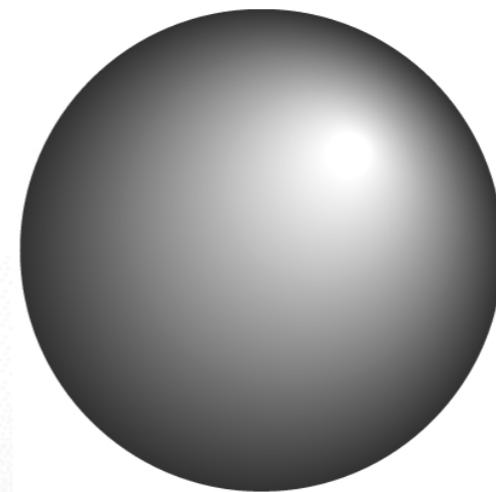


# Specular Reflection

- Specular reflection coefficient  $k_s$  (material),  $0 \leq k_s \leq 1$
- Shiny surfaces have high specular coefficient
- Used to model specular highlights
- Does **not** give mirror effect (need other techniques)



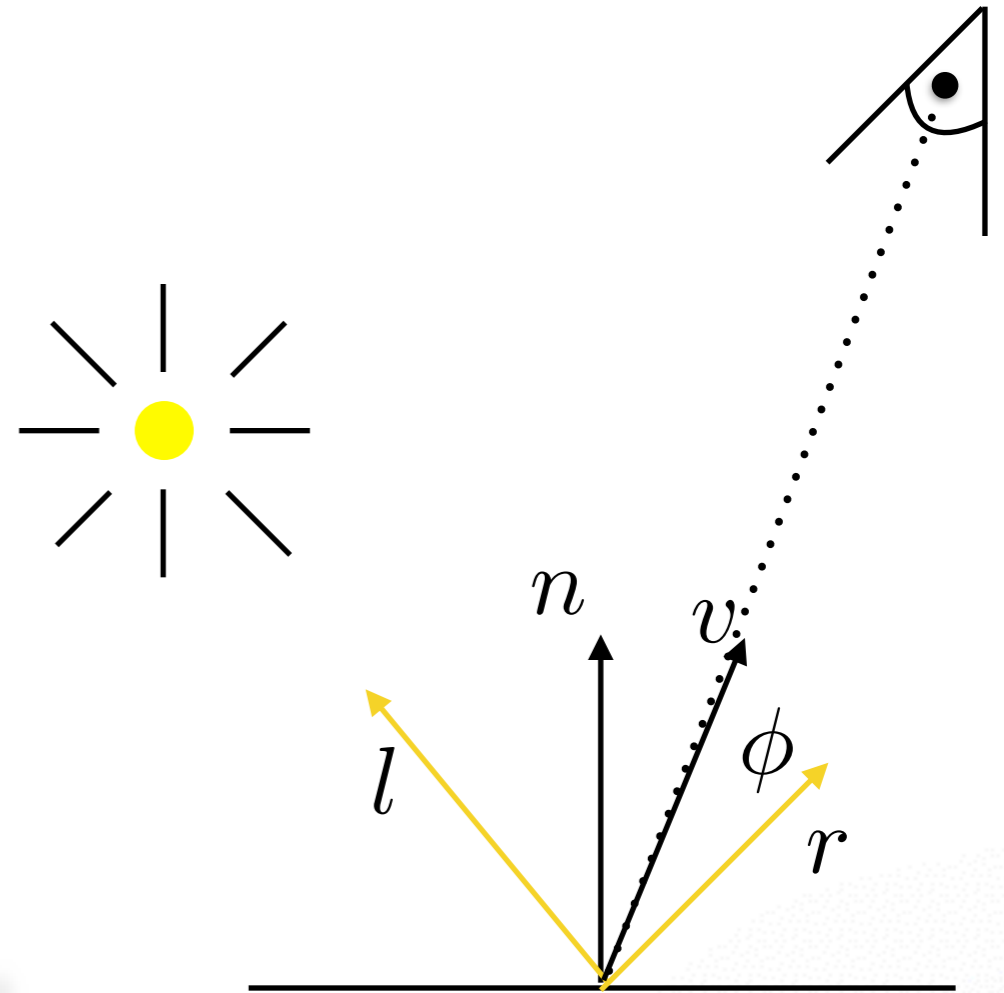
specular reflection



specular highlights

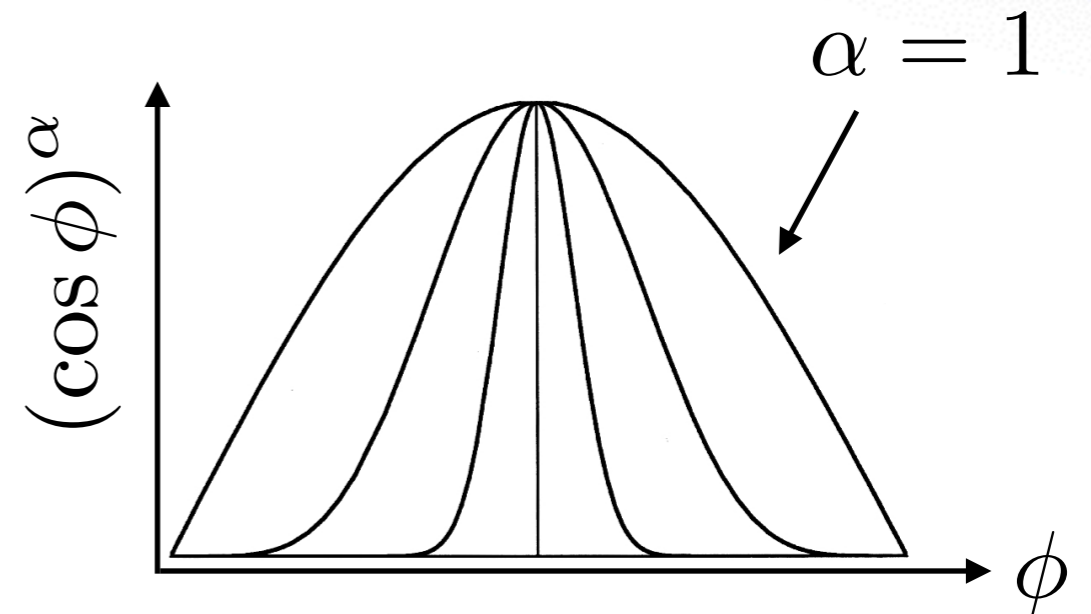
# Specular Reflection

- Recall
  - $v$  = unit vector to camera
  - $r$  = unit reflected vector
  - $\phi$  = angle between  $v$  and  $r$
- $\cos(\phi) = v \cdot r$
- $I_s = k_s L_s (\cos \phi)^\alpha$
- $L_s$  is specular component of light
- $\alpha$  is shininess coefficient
- Can add distance term as well

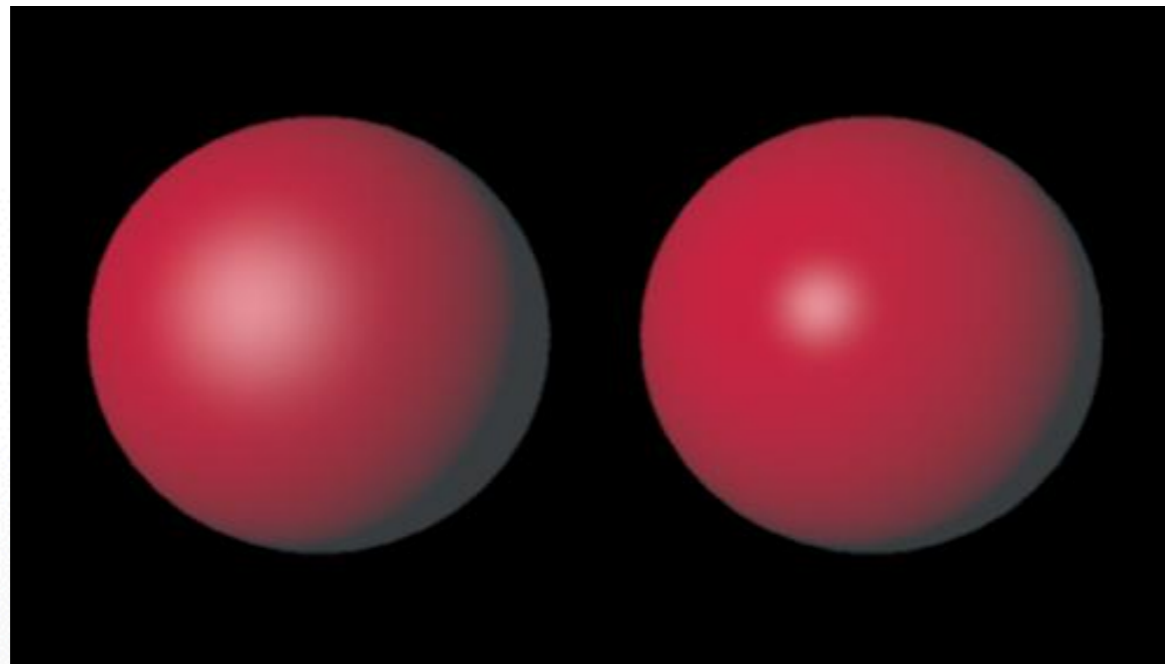


# Shininess Coefficient

- $I_s = k_s L_s (\cos \phi)^\alpha$
- $\alpha$  is the shininess coefficient



Higher  $\alpha$  gives narrower curves



low  $\alpha$

high  $\alpha$

Source:  
Univ. of Calgary

# Summary of Phong Model

- Light components for each color:
  - Ambient ( $L_a$ ), diffuse ( $L_d$ ), specular ( $L_s$ )
- Material coefficients for each color:
  - Ambient ( $k_a$ ), diffuse ( $k_d$ ), specular ( $k_s$ )
- Distance  $q$  for surface point from light source

$$I = \frac{1}{a + bq + cq^2} (k_d L_d (l \cdot n) + k_s L_s (r \cdot v)^\alpha) + k_a L_a$$

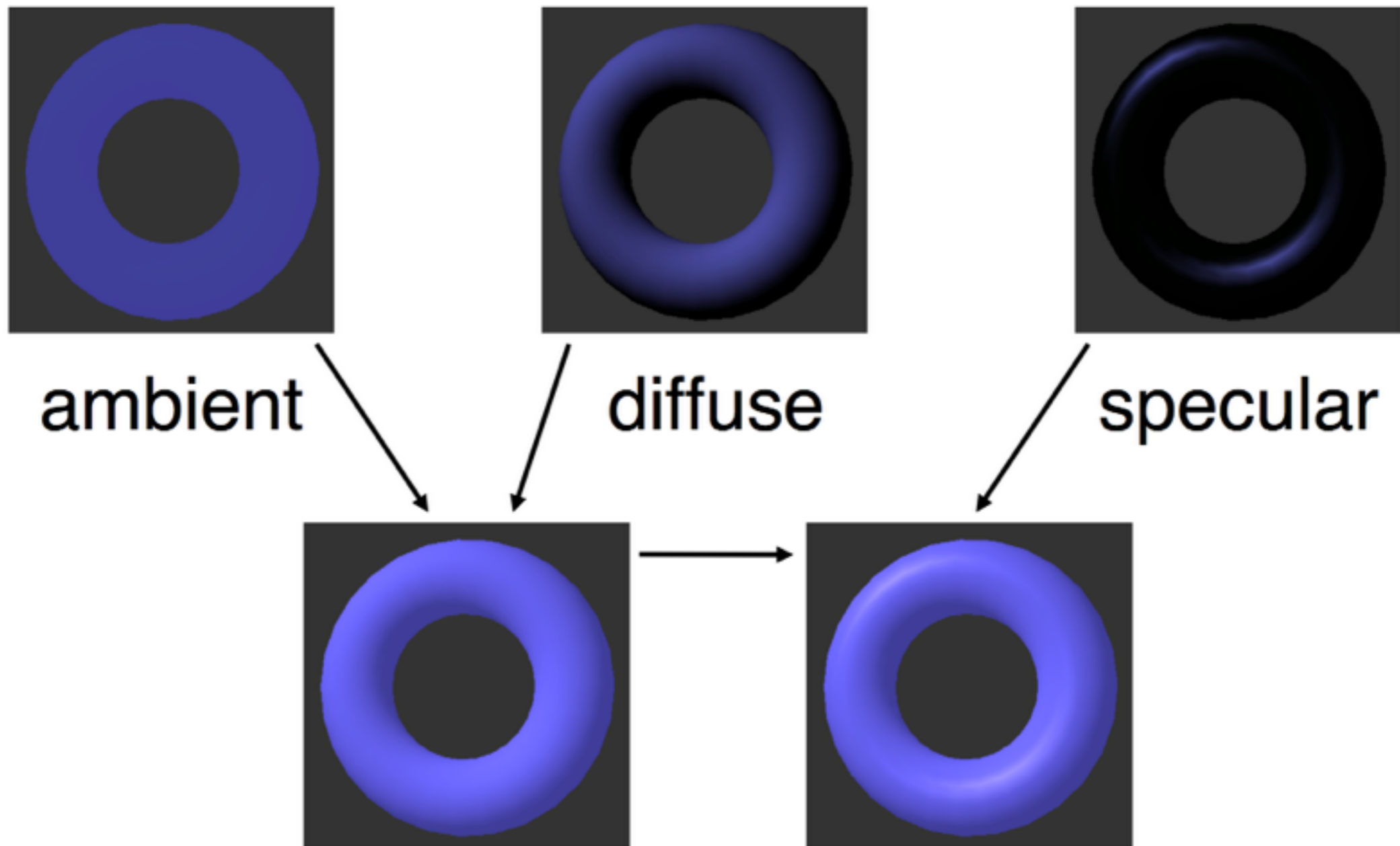
$l$  = unit vector to light

$n$  = surface normal

$r = l$  reflected about  $n$

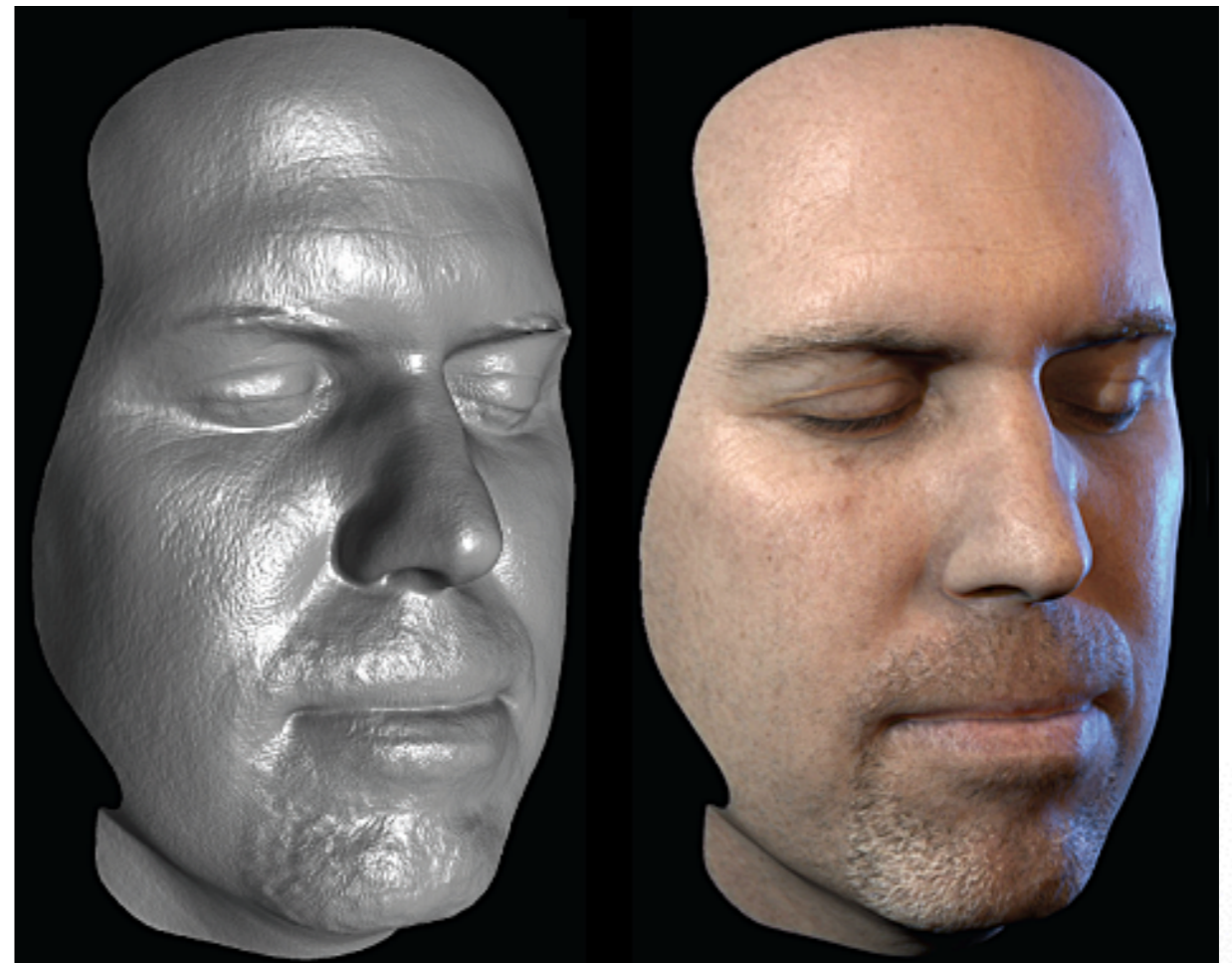
$v$  = vector to viewer

# Summary of Phong Model



# BRDF

- Bidirectional Reflection Distribution Function
- Must measure for real materials
- Isotropic vs. anisotropic
- Mathematically complex
- Programmable pixel shading



Lighting properties of a human face were captured and face re-rendered;  
Institute for Creative Technologies

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