Shadows

Idea

- If :object can be seen from light position-lightened object
- Else: object is in the shadow

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- Projection Shadows (Planar shadows)
  - Shadow is projected into the plane of the floor
    - Object is projected into the plane of the floor
    - then rendered as a separate primitive
  - Applying this shadow is similar to decaling a polygon with another coplanar one
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Projection Shadows

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  - Easy to implement
  - Cross-platform way
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  - Difficult to use shadow onto anything other than flat surfaces
    - carefully cast the shadow onto the plane of each polygon face
    - cliping the result to the polygon's boundaries
    - Object splitting may be needed
  - There are limits to how well you can control the shadow's color

Complicated calculations

Minuses are not important for HW ☺

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- Shadowing object is projected to some surface, related to shadowed object
  - involves applying a orthographic or perspective projection matrix to the modelview transform
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- 2-tier shadow calculations
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- Render the scene, including the shadowing object in the usual way.
- Set the modelview matrix to identity, then call *glScalef1.f, 0.f, 1.f(1.f, 0.f, 1.f)*
- Make the rest of the transformation calls necessary to position and orient the shadowing object
- Set the OpenGL state necessary to create the correct shadow color
- Render the shadowing object
  - Second render
  - The transform flattens it into the object's shadow
- More:
  http://www.opengl.org/resources/code/samples/sig99/advanced99/notes/node192.html

Render the Shadow

```
 /* Render 50% black shadow color on top
of whatever
     the floor appearance is. */
glEnable(GL_BLEND);
glBlendFunc(GL_SRC_ALPHA,
      GL_ONE_MINUS_SRC_ALPHA);
glDisable(GL_LIGHTING);  /* Force the 50%
black. */
glColor4f(0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.5);

glPushMatrix();
   /* Project the shadow. */
   glMultMatrixf((GLfloat *) floorShadow);
   drawDinosaur();
glPopMatrix();
```

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Projection Matrix

- Arguments
  - Arbitrary plane in $Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$ form
  - Light position in homogeneous coordinates
    - GLfloat light_position[] = {1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 0.0};
      - if light is directional - 0
        - Perpective shadow
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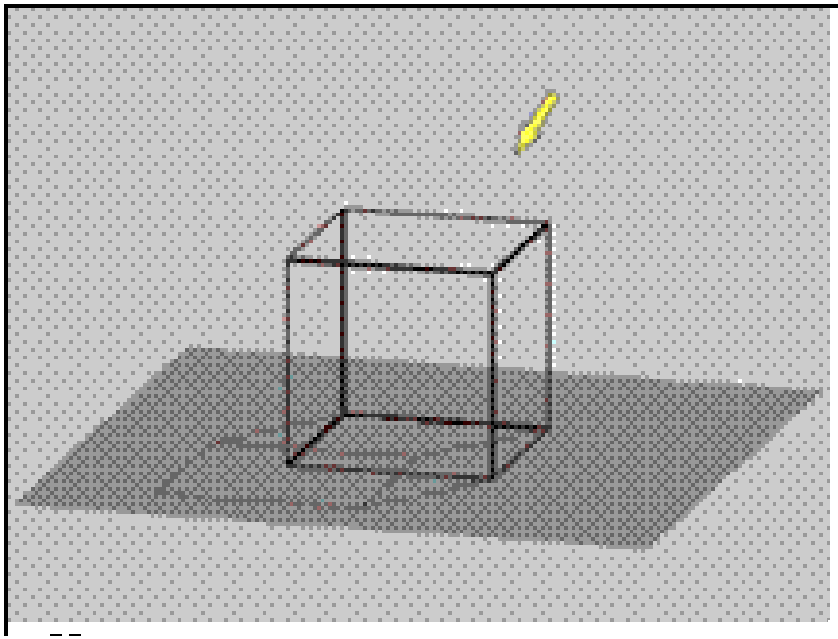
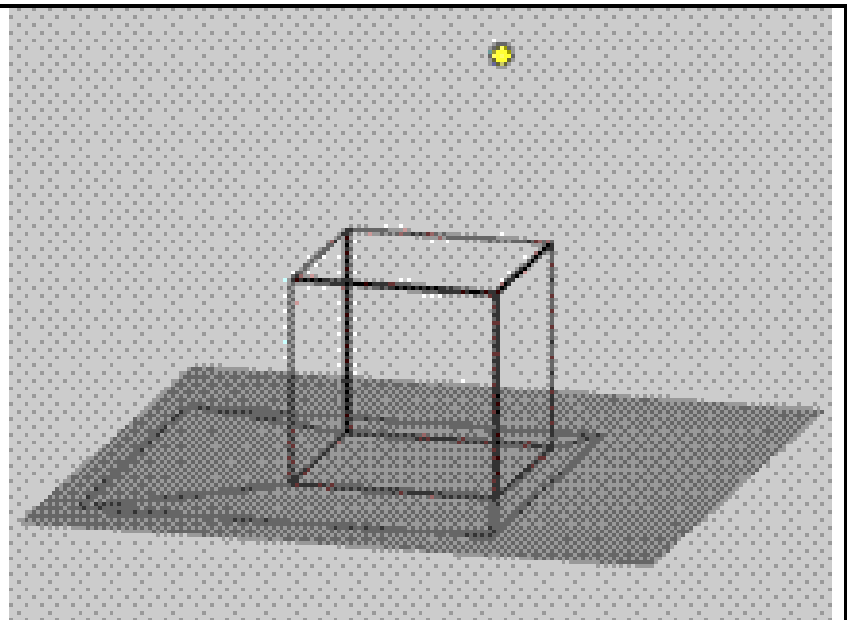
        - Ortho shadow
- The function concatenates the

Projection Shadows



Shadow Ortho Projection



Shadow Perspective Projection

```
void shadowMatrix(GLfloat shadowMat[4][4], GLfloat groundplane[4], GLfloat lightpos[4])
{   //  Find dot product between light position vector and ground plane normal. */
    float dot;
    float shadowMat[4][4];
    dot = ground[0] * light[0] +   //distance between light and plane
            ground[1] * light[1] +
            ground[2] * light[2] +
            ground[3] * light[3];
           shadowMat[0][0] = dot - light[0] * ground[0];
           shadowMat[1][0] = 0.0 - light[0] * ground[1];
           shadowMat[2][0] = 0.0 - light[0] * ground[2];
           shadowMat[3][0] = 0.0 - light[0] * ground[3];
           shadowMat[0][1] = 0.0 - light[1] * ground[0];
           shadowMat[1][1] = dot - light[1] * ground[1];
           shadowMat[2][1] = 0.0 - light[1] * ground[2];
           shadowMat[3][1] = 0.0 - light[1] * ground[3];
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           shadowMat[2][3] = 0.0 - light[3] * ground[2];
           shadowMat[3][3] = dot - light[3] * ground[3];
           glMultMatrixf((const GLfloat*)shadowMat);  //Concatination
}
```
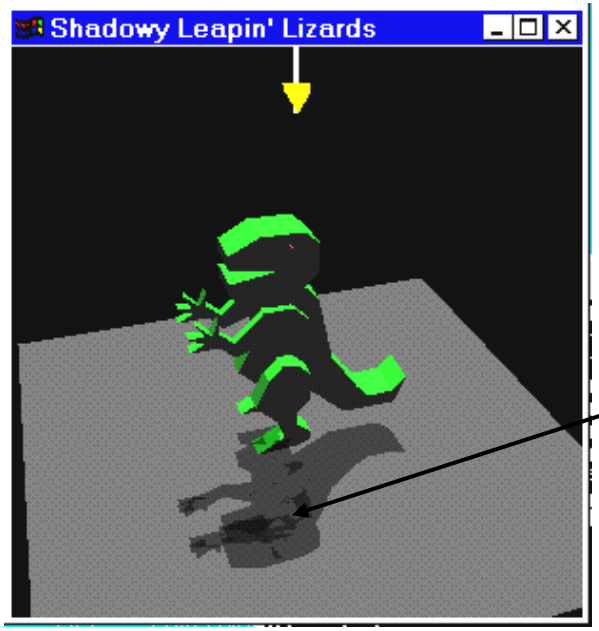

Some Problems

Without stencil to avoid double blending of the shadow pixels:



Notice darks spots on the planar shadow.

Solution: **Use S-buffer(In General)**

S-Buffer

- Per-pixel test, similar to depth buffering.
- Tests against value from stencil buffer; rejects fragment if stencil test fails.
- Distinct stencil operations performed when
  - Stencil test fails
  - Depth test fails
  - Depth test passes
- Provides fine grain control of pixel update
- glEnable/glDisable(GL_STENCIL_TEST);
- glClear(… | GL_STENCIL_BUFFER_BIT);
- …
- glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_DOUBLE | GLUT_RGB | GLUT_DEPTH | GLUT_STENCIL);

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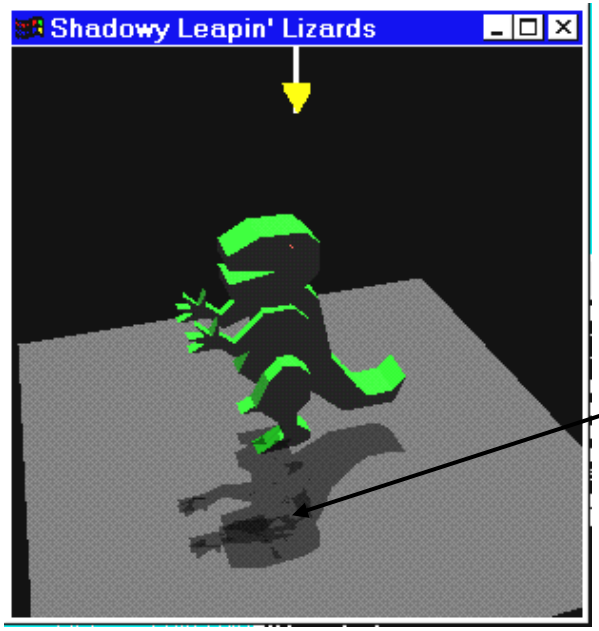

Notice darks spots on the planar shadow.

Solution: **Clear stencil to zero. Draw floor with stencil of one. Draw shadow if stencil is one. If shadow's stencil test passes, set stencil to two. No double blendin**

More information on

- Planar shadows:
  http://www.opengl.org/resources/code/samples/sig99/
- Shadow volumes:
  http://www.opengl.org/resources/code/samples/sig99/
- S-Buffer

http://ezekiel.vancouver.wsu.edu/~cs442/lectures/shad