#### VGP352 – Week 9

- Agenda:
  - Quiz #4
  - Interior mapping
  - Parallax textures
  - Displacement mapping

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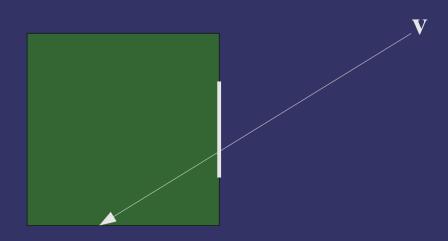
- Remember the excellent "debris" demo by Farbrausch?
  - Isn't it odd that you can't see inside the windows?



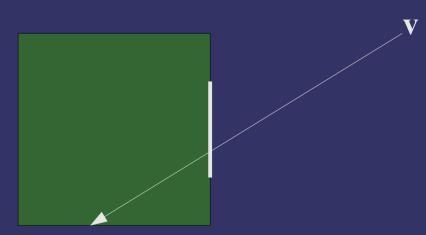
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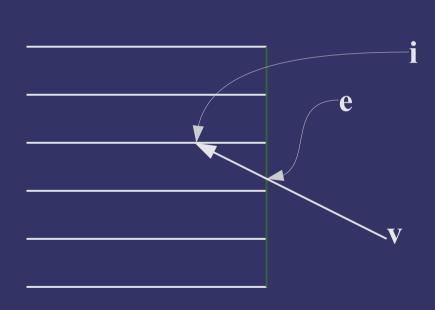
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- Determine the location *inside* the building that is visible *without* adding geometry
  - The drawing suggests the answer: use raycasting
  - Create virtual walls, ceilings, and floors inside the building at regular intervals



- Calculate the point of ceiling intersection
  - Assume all calculations are in object space
  - Exterior intersection point and ray direction are given



$$\mathbf{i}_{\mathbf{v}} = [\mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{v}}/h] \times h$$

 $\triangleright$  Parametric equation of V:

$$\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{v} + \hat{\mathbf{v}} t$$
  
where  $\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{e} - \mathbf{v}$ 

- Calculate the value of t where  $\mathbf{p}_y = \mathbf{i}_y$ 

- Use t to calculate the rest of **i** 

- Perform similar calculations for walls
  - The intersection with the smallest t is used
  - Use resulting i to generate a texture coordinate
- Can add extra fake walls to represent items in the rooms
  - Textures for the fake walls should be mostly transparent
  - Has issues if the viewer can see in corners
    - See paper for more details

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- Parallax textures address the second problem
  - Does so by exploiting the parallax effect

#### From wikipedia:

Parallax is an apparent displacement or difference of orientation of an object viewed along two different lines of sight, and is measured by the angle or semi-angle of inclination between those two lines....Nearby objects have a larger parallax than more distant objects when observed from different positions, so parallax can be used to determine distances.

- 2D side-scrolling games use this effect all the time
  - Nearer background objects scroll by faster than farther background objects

- Implement this for a 3D surface:
  - Use a height (bump) map to set per-fragment distance from viewer
  - As the viewer moves side-to-side in surface space, nearer portions of the texture will "scroll by faster"



- At each fragment:
  - Sample the depth from the surface using the bump map
  - Use this value to scale projection of the view vector on to the surface
  - Use result as offset into diffuse map



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  - Assumes a smoothly varying height field
    - Can't handle large displacements
    - Can't handle high-frequency data
  - Doesn't properly handle occlusion

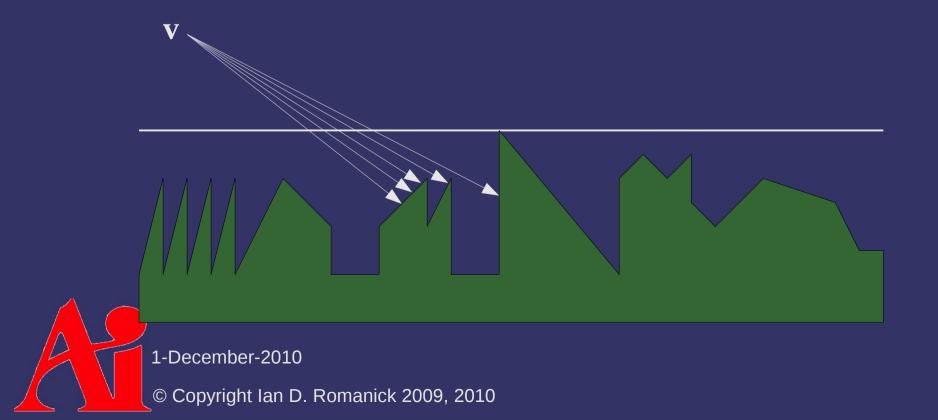
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- We really want to raytrace into arbitrary volume data representing our surface
  - Would require a linear search through a volume texture per fragment



- What if we knew, at every position, the distance to the nearest voxel?
  - As we walk the ray through voxel space, we could step by the distance to the nearest voxel
  - Reduces the search from n to log n

#### Algorithm:

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For some number of steps:
 distance = sample distance texture at
 position
 position += distance * direction
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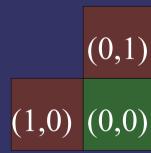
- Dynamic branching hardware can end loop early if distance is below some preset threshold
- direction is the normalized viewing direction vector
  - Must be rescaled from surface space to texel space

- Result of raytracing is a 3D position
  - Project the 3D position onto the surface
    - i.e., just use the x and y components
  - Use the resulting projection to sample texture and normal maps

- Generate distance map using Danielsson's algorithm
  - Initialize a texture with (0, 0) for elements "inside" the surface or  $(\infty, \infty)$  for elements outside
  - Perform 4 passes over the image propagating distances among neighbors
  - This is the 2D version... it can be trivially extended to
    3D

#### Pass 1:

- Move the mask top-to-bottom, left-to-right
- The green element is the pixel being examined, the others are its neighbors
- Add the specified offsets to the pixel distance values, store the minimum in the pixel



#### Pass 2:

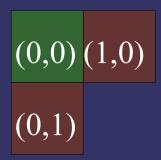
- Move the mask top-to-bottom, right-to-left
- The green element is the pixel being examined, the others are its neighbors
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(0,0) (1,0)



#### Pass 3:

- Move the mask bottom-to-top, right-to-left
- The green element is the pixel being examined, the others are its neighbors
- Add the specified offsets to the pixel distance values, store the minimum in the pixel





#### Pass 4:

- Move the mask bottom-to-top, left-to-right
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(1,0) (0,0)



- Final pass:
  - Convert the distance vectors to distance scalars

#### Caveats:

- Take partial derivatives of input texture coordinate and use those when sampling the final texture
  - Otherwise the texture filtering will be wrong in weird ways
  - Use dFdx() and dFdy() functions

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 You'll have to Google (with some effort!) for a live link to the actual paper. :(

#### Next week...

- Multiple render targets
- Deferred shading



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