Supplement to Lecture 18

Texturing in OpenGL

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Limits of Geometry

- Although graphics cards can render over 10 million polygons per second, that number is insufficient for many phenomena
  - Clouds
  - Grass
  - Terrain
  - Skin

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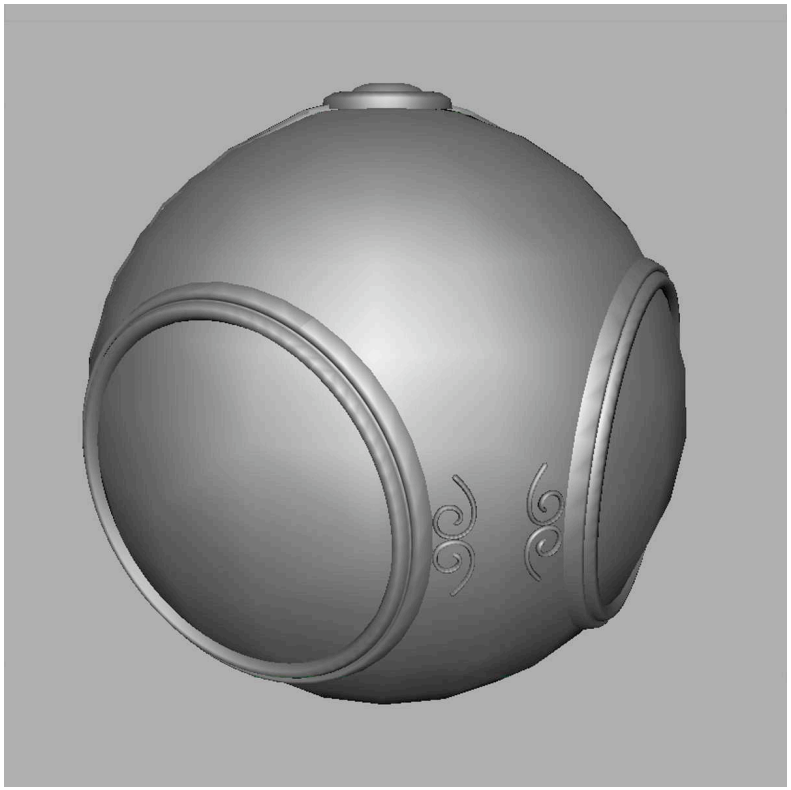
Three Mappings

- Texture Mapping
  - Uses images to fill inside of polygons
- Environment (reflection mapping)
  - Uses a picture of the environment for texture maps
  - Allows simulation of highly specular surfaces
- Bump mapping
  - Emulates altering normal vectors during the rendering process

Texture Mapping



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Environment Mapping

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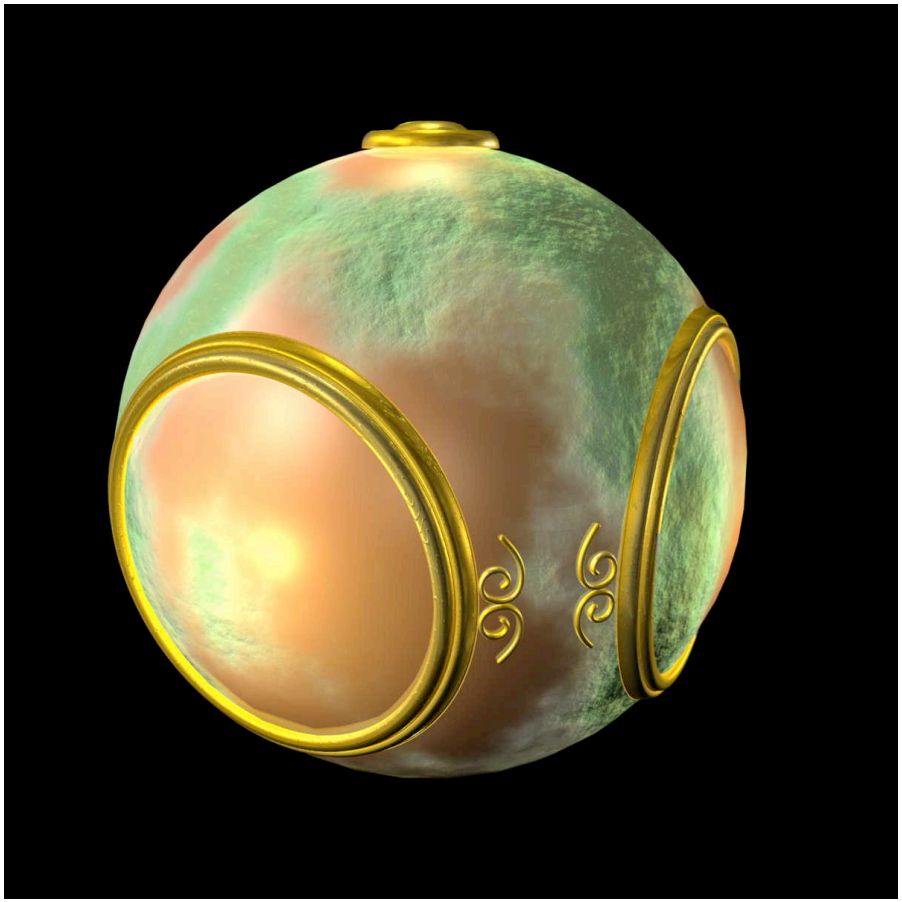
Bump Mapping



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Implementation Strategy

Three steps to applying a texture

1. specify the texture
   - read or generate image
   - assign to texture
   - enable texturing
2. assign texture coordinates to vertices
   - Proper mapping function is left to application
3. specify texture parameters
   - wrapping, filtering

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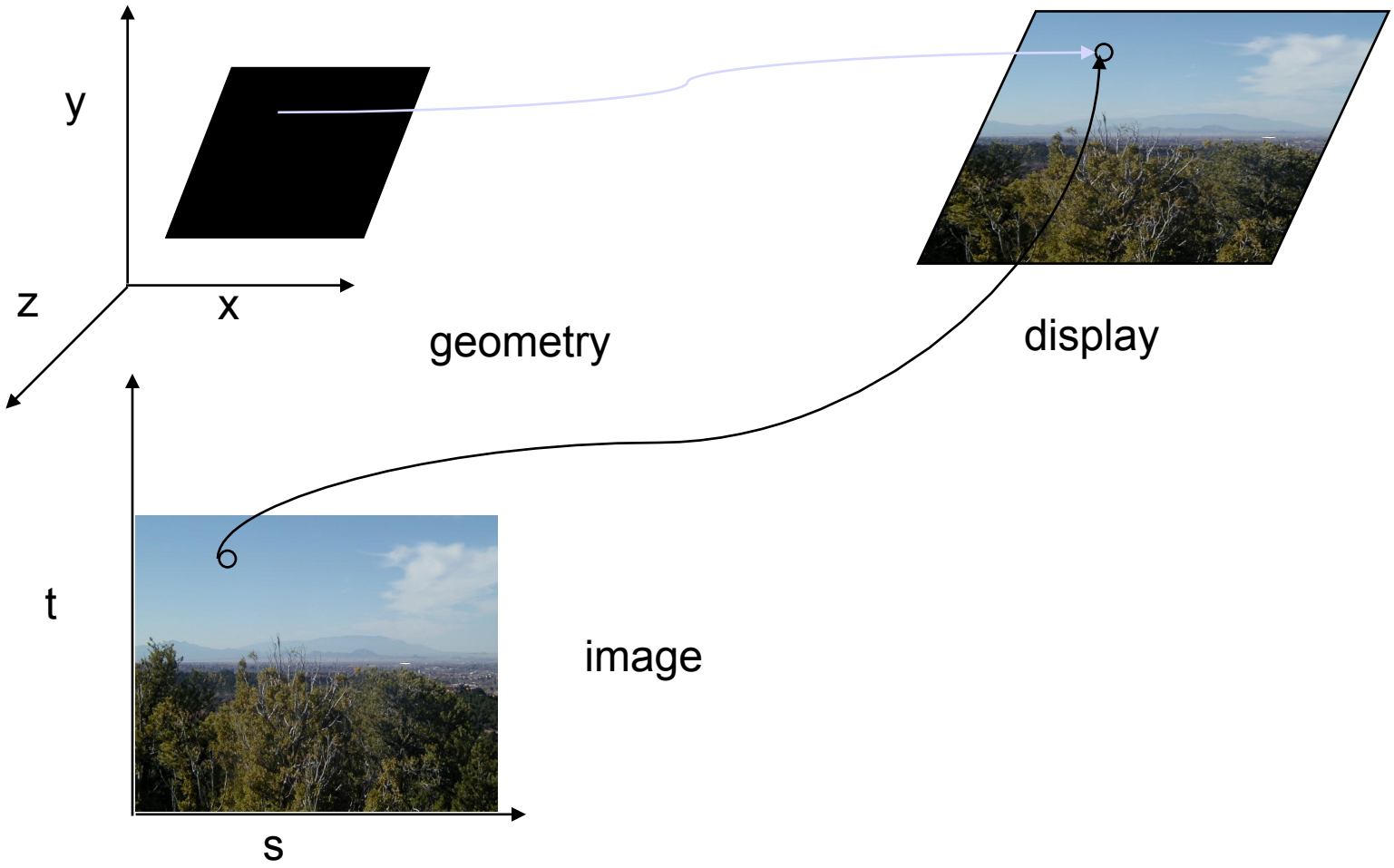

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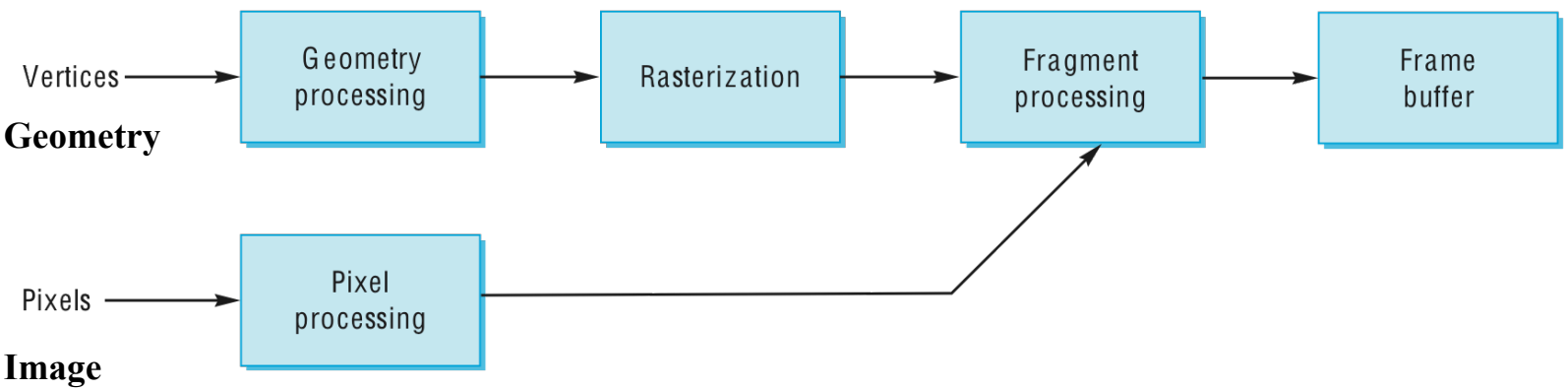
Where does mapping occur

- Mapping techniques are implemented at the end of the rendering pipeline
  - Very efficient because few polygons make it past the clipper



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Define Image as Texture

```
glTexImage2D( target, level, components,
    w, h, border, format, type, texels );
```

`target`: type of texture, e.g. `GL_TEXTURE_2D`

`level`: used for mipmapping (discussed later)

`components`: elements per texel

`w, h`: width and height of `texels` in pixels

`border`: used for smoothing (discussed later)

`format and type`: describe texels

`texels`: pointer to texel array

```
glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_2D, 0, 3, 512, 512, 0,
 GL_RGB, GL_UNSIGNED_BYTE, my_texels);
```

Specifying a Texture Image

- Define a texture image from an array of *texels* (texture elements) in CPU memory

```
Glubyte my_texels[512][512];
```

- Define as any other pixel map
  - Scanned image
  - Generate by application code
- Enable texture mapping
  - **`glEnable(GL_TEXTURE_2D)`**
  - OpenGL supports 1-4 dimensional texture maps

Converting a Texture Image

- OpenGL requires texture dimensions to be powers of 2
- If dimensions of image are not powers of 2
  - `gluScaleImage( format, w_in, h_in, type_in, *data_in, w_out, h_out, type_out, *data_out );`
  - `data_in` is source image
  - `data_out` is for destination image
- Image interpolated and filtered during scaling

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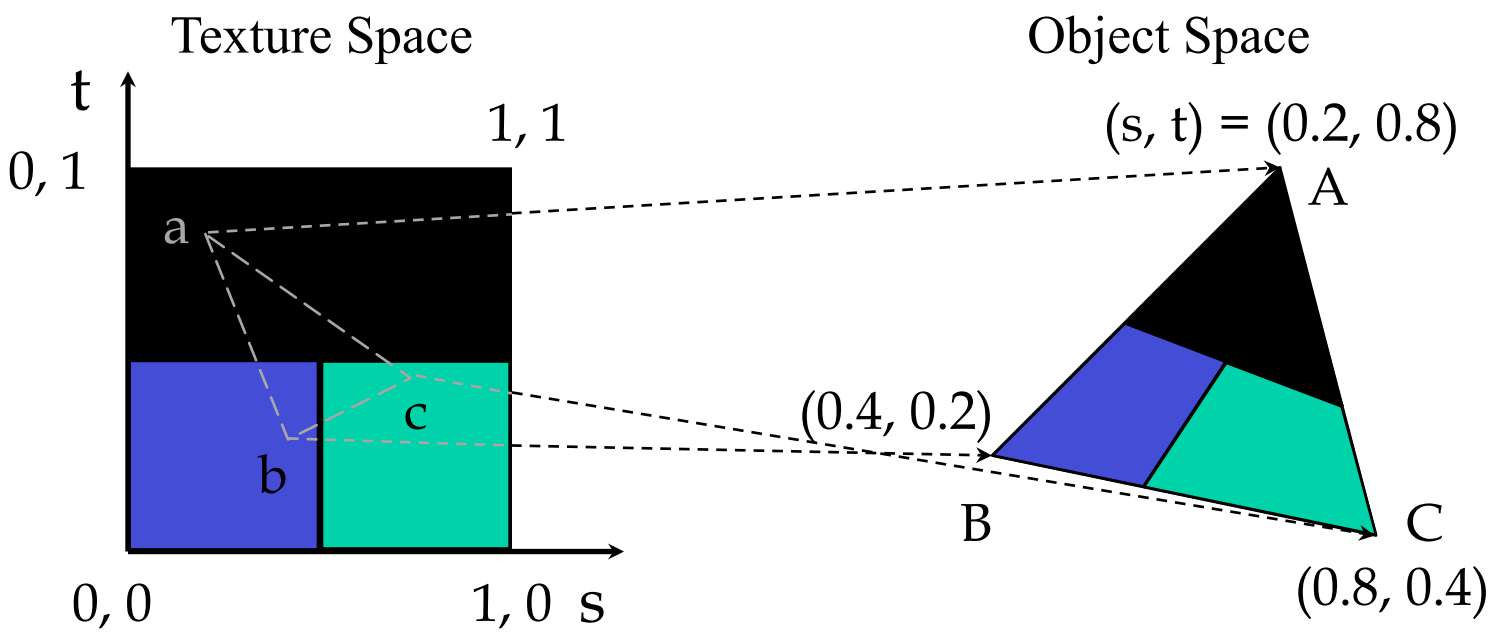
Mapping a Texture

- Based on parametric texture coordinates
- **`glTexCoord*()`** specified at each vertex



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Typical Code

```
glBegin(GL_POLYGON);
 glColor3f(r0, g0, b0); //if no shading used
 glNormal3f(u0, v0, w0); // if shading used
 glTexCoord2f(s0, t0);
 glVertex3f(x0, y0, z0);
 glColor3f(r1, g1, b1);
 glNormal3f(u1, v1, w1);
 glTexCoord2f(s1, t1);
 glVertex3f(x1, y1, z1);
       .
       .
glEnd();
```

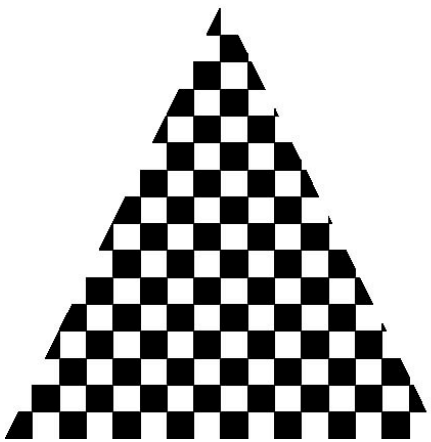
Note that we can use vertex arrays to increase efficiency

Interpolation

OpenGL uses interpolation to find proper texels from specified texture coordinates

Can be distortions

good selection
of tex coordinates



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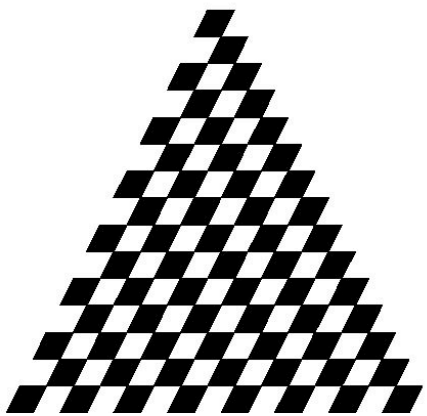
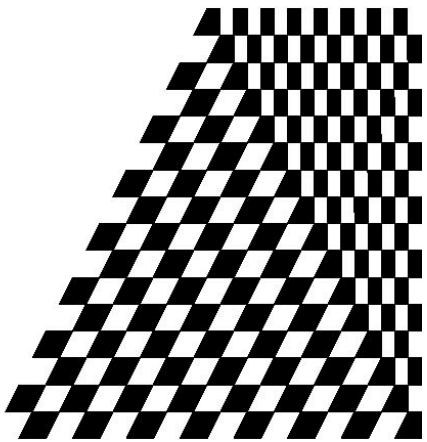


texture stretched
over trapezoid
showing effects of
bilinear interpolatio



Filter Modes

Modes determined by

- `glTexParameteri( target, type, mode )`

```
glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXURE_MAG_FILTER,
                GL_NEAREST);

glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXURE_MIN_FILTER,
                GL_LINEAR);
```

Note that linear filtering requires a border of an extra texel for filtering at edges (border = 1)

Mipmapped Textures

- *Mipmapping* allows for prefiltered texture maps of decreasing resolutions
- Lessens interpolation errors for smaller textured objects
- Declare mipmap level during texture definition

```
glTexImage2D( GL_TEXTURE_*D, level, … )
```

- GLU mipmap builder routines will build all the textures from a given image

```
gluBuild*DMipmaps( … )
```

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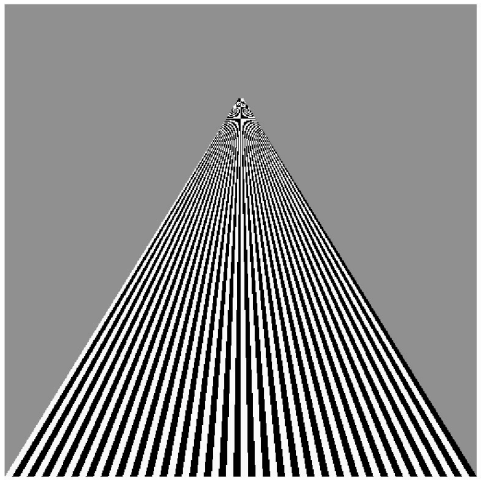
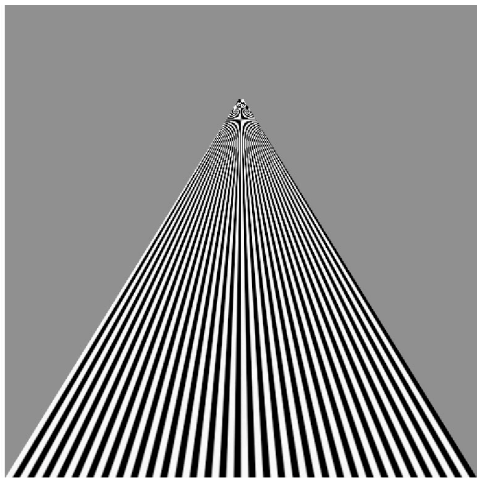
Example

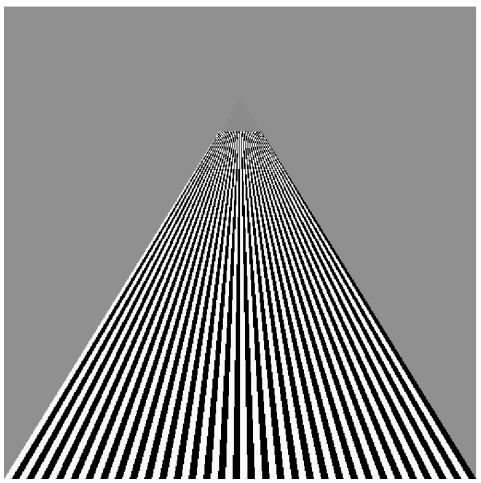
point sampling

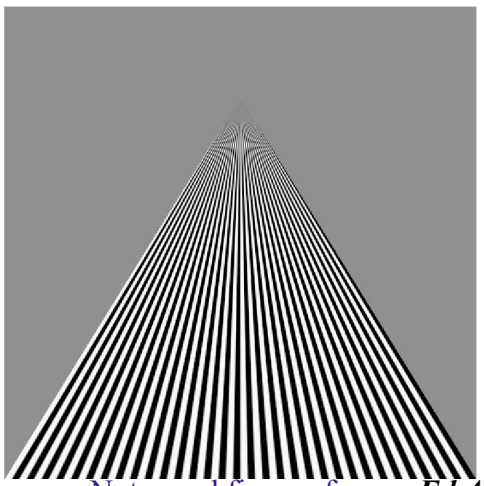




linear filtering

mipmapped point sampling





mipmapped linear filtering

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Texture Functions

- Controls how texture is applied
  - `glTexEnv{fi}[v]( GL_TEXTURE_ENV, prop, param )`
- `GL_TEXTURE_ENV_MODE` modes
  - `GL_MODULATE:` modulates with computed shade
  - `GL_BLEND:` blends with an environmental color
  - `GL_REPLACE:` use only texture color
  - `GL(GL_TEXTURE_ENV, GL_TEXTURE_ENV_MODE, GL_MODULATE);`
- Set blend color with `GL_TEXTURE_ENV_COLOR`

Perspective Hint Correction

- Texture coordinate and color interpolation
  - either linearly in screen space
  - or using depth/perspective values (slower)
- Noticeable for polygons “on edge”
  - **`glHint( GL_PERSPECTIVE_CORRECTION_HINT, hint )`**
    where **`hint`** is one of
    - **`GL_DONT_CARE`**
    - **`GL_NICEST`**
    - **`GL_FASTEST`**

Generating Texture Coordinates

- OpenGL can generate texture coordinates automatically

  `glTexGen{ifd}[v]()`

- specify a plane
  - generate texture coordinates based upon distance from the plane
- generation modes
  - **`GL_OBJECT_LINEAR`**
  - **`GL_EYE_LINEAR`**
  - **`GL_SPHERE_MAP`** (used for environmental maps)

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Other Texture Features

- Environment Maps
  - Start with image of environment through a wide angle lens
    - Can be either a real scanned image or an image created in OpenGL
  - Use this texture to generate a spherical map
  - Use automatic texture coordinate generation
- Multitexturing
  - Apply a sequence of textures through cascaded texture units

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