

CMSC 435/634

Shading

Procedural Shading

So many options for shading, how to represent?

Write a procedure!

- Simple function
- Specialized high-level *shading language*

Shading Languages

Shade Trees [Cook 84]

- Simple expressions: surface, light, atmosphere
- Built-in vector math & common shading functions

Image Synthesizer [Perlin 86]

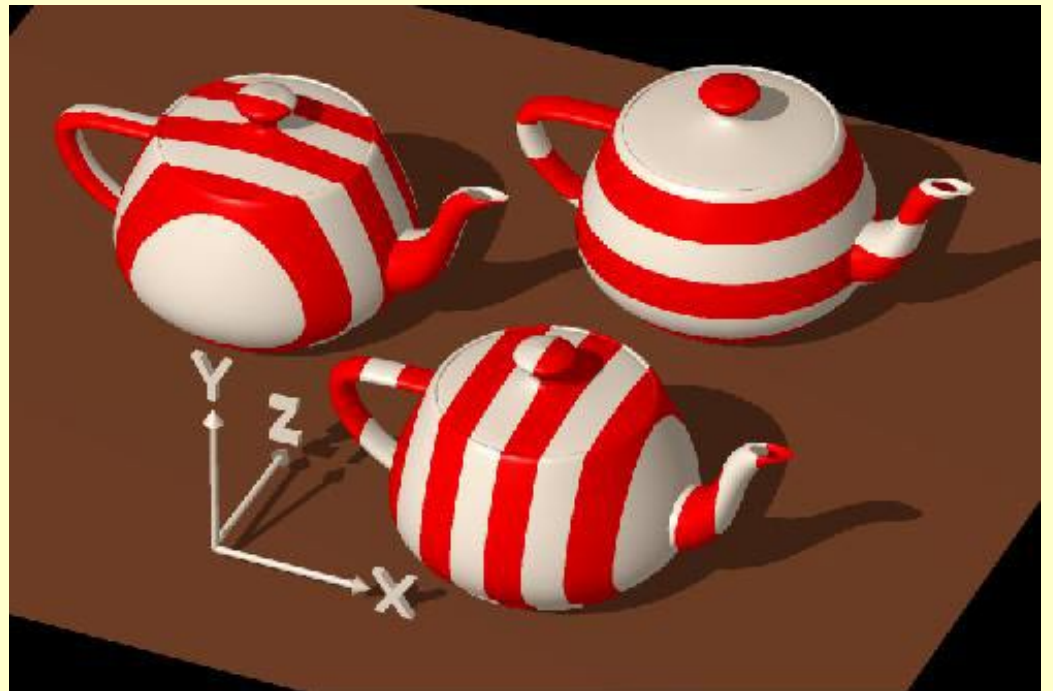
- Full language with branch & loop
- Band-limited noise function (more on this in a minute)

RenderMan [Hanrahan & Lawson 90/Pixar]

- C-like language
- Designed to work with many rendering algorithms
- Surface, light, displacement, volume/atmosphere

Shading Example

```
if (mod(trunc(zcomp(P)), 2) == 0)
    Ci = color(1, 0, 0);
else
    Ci = color(1, 1, 1);
```



RenderMan Surface Shaders

Input

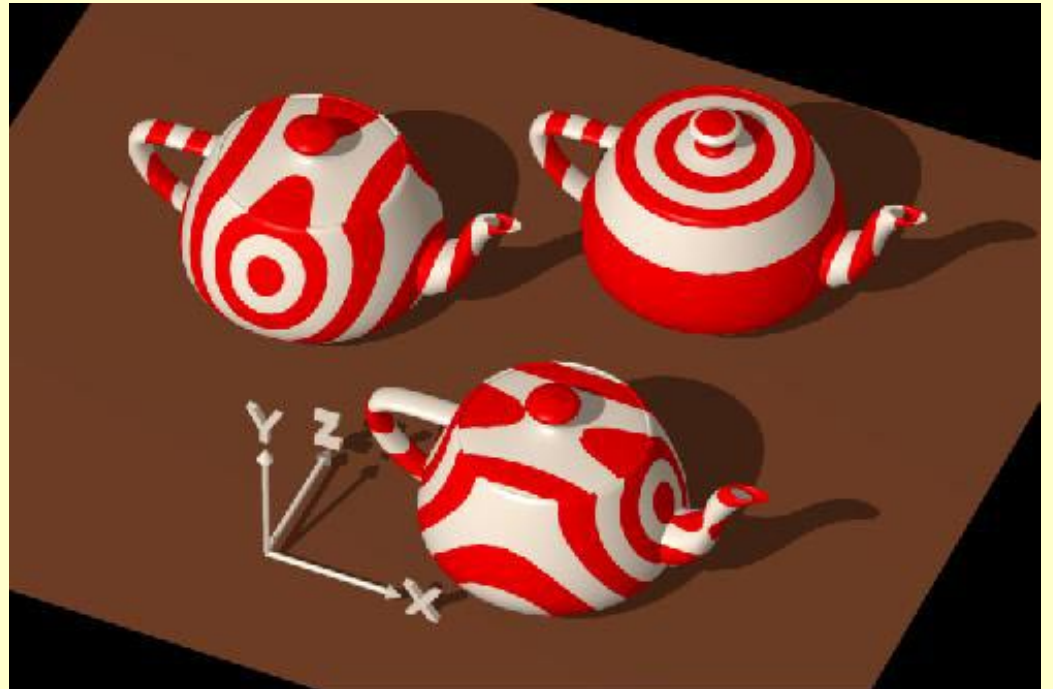
- C_s, O_s
- u, v, du, dv, s, t
- $time, dtime$
- $P, N, N_g, dPdu, dPdv, dPdt$
- E, I
- L, C_l, O_l (In *illuminance*)

Output

- C_i, O_i

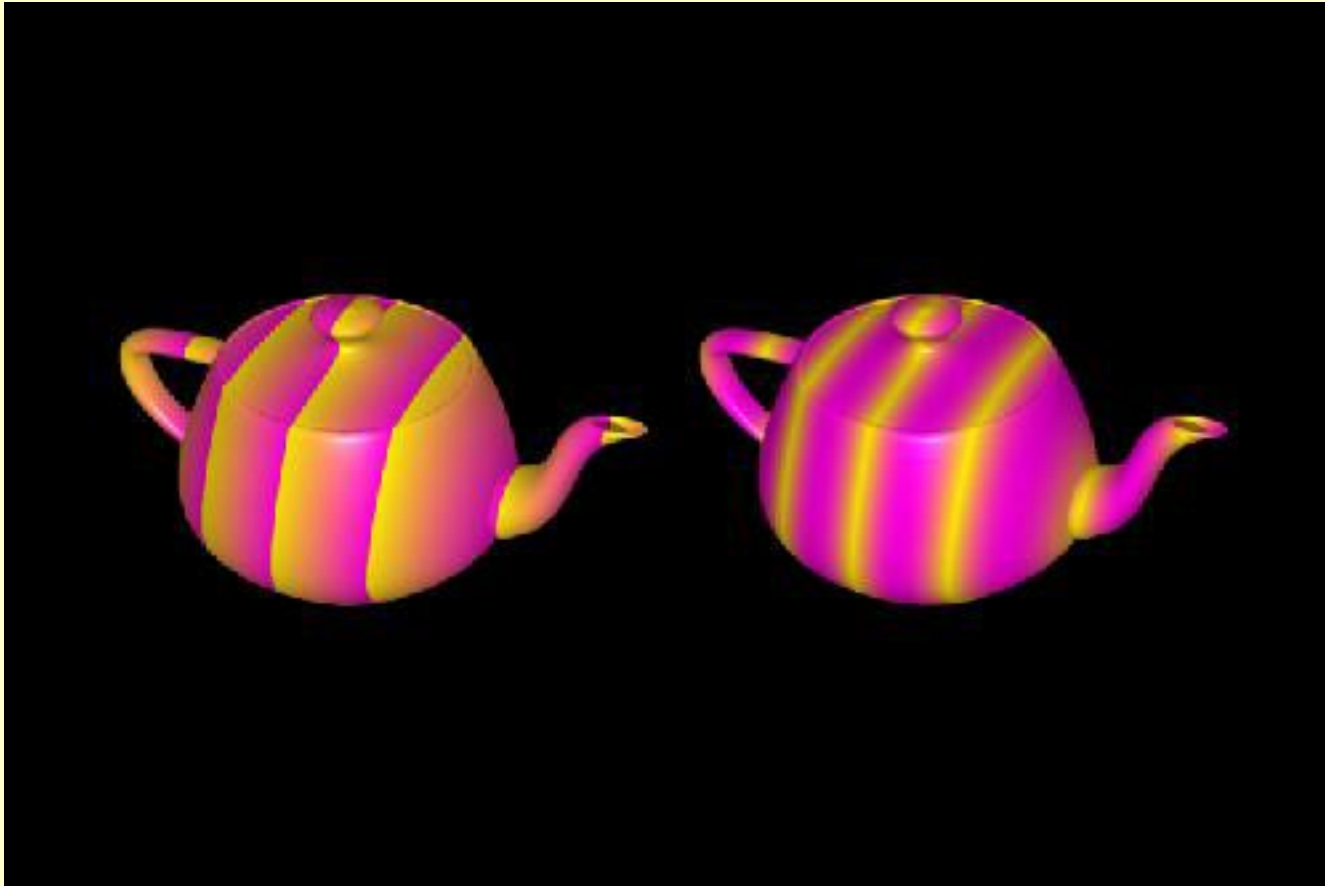
More Complex Example

```
float d = sqrt(  
    xcomp(P)*xcomp(P) + ycomp(P)*ycomp(P) );  
if (mod(trunc(d),2)==0)  
    Ci = color(1,0,0);  
else  
    Ci = color(1,1,1);
```

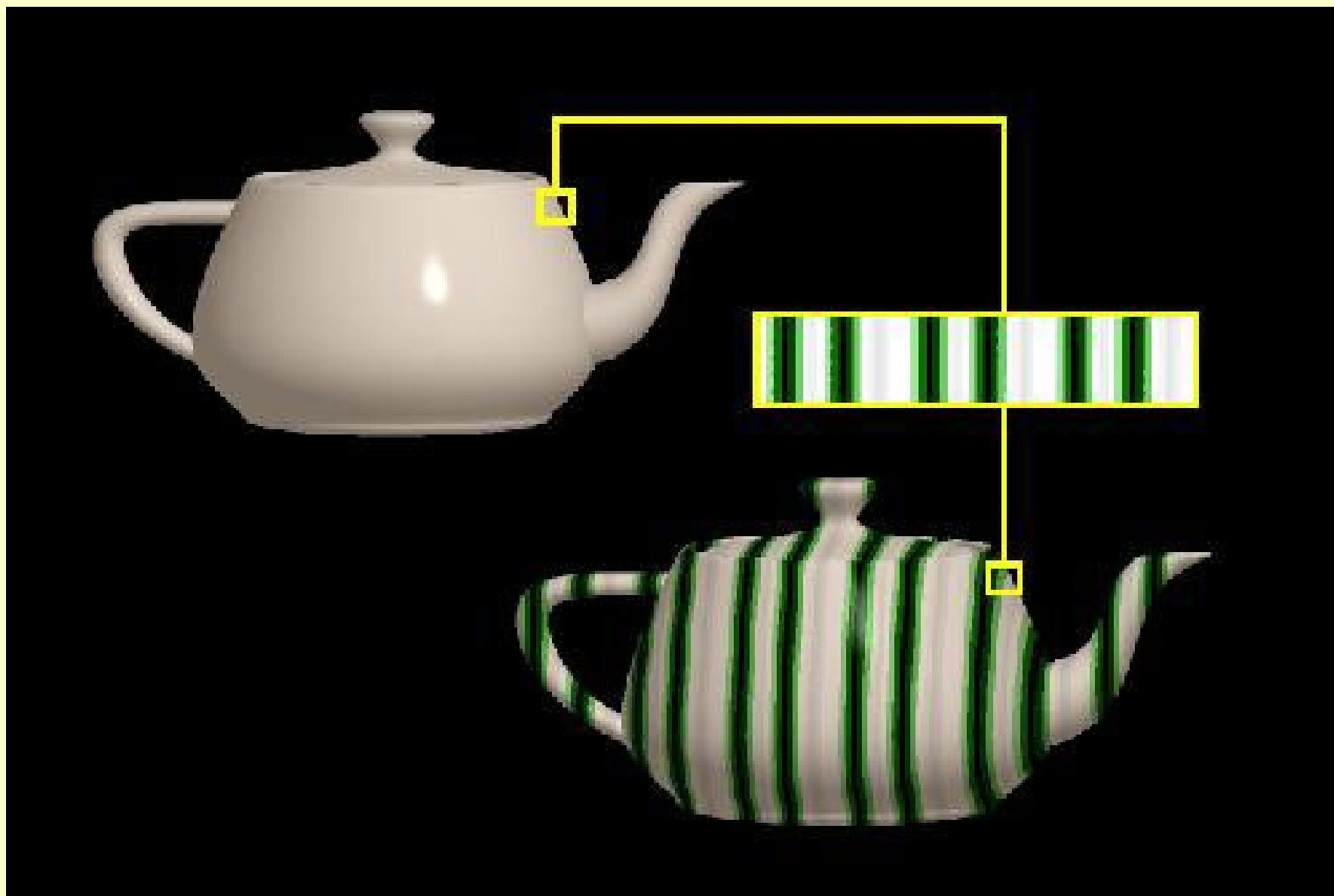


Repeating Patterns

```
float r1 = mod(x, 2) / 2; float r2 = sin(x);  
Ci = mix(yellow,          Ci = mix(yellow,  
magenta, r1);           magenta, r2);
```

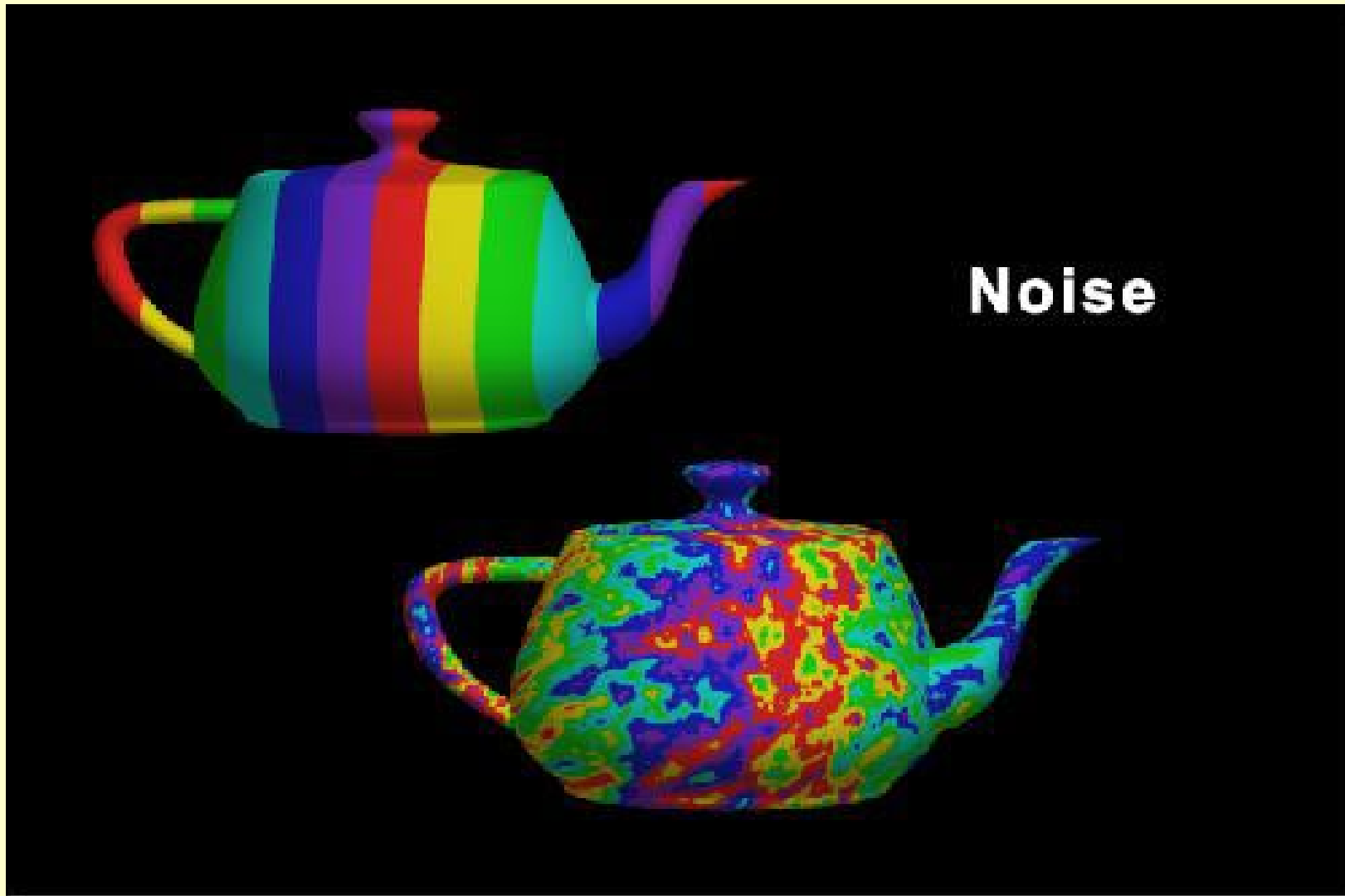


Color Tables



Perturbed Color Tables

```
Ci = texture ("rainbow", x+noise (P) );
```



Noise

What is this *noise*?

- “it provides seasoning to help you make things irregular enough so that you can make them look more interesting”
 - Ken Perlin
- Random but repeatable
 - Different arguments give different random values
 - Same argument gives the same value every time
 - Consistency in animation!
- Frequency band-limited (approximately one octave)
 - Control: can choose frequency range by combining several octaves of noise

RenderMan noise

Biased to give values centered at .5 rather than 0
float, color or vector output

- inferred, but can force: $C_i = \text{float noise}(P)$;

1D, 2D, 3D or 4D

- $\text{noise}(x)$
- $\text{noise}(x, y)$
- $\text{float}(P)$
- $\text{noise}(P, t)$

Periodic version

- $\text{pnoise}(x, y, x_period, y_period)$

Simple RenderMan Example

C Code

```
#include "ri.h"

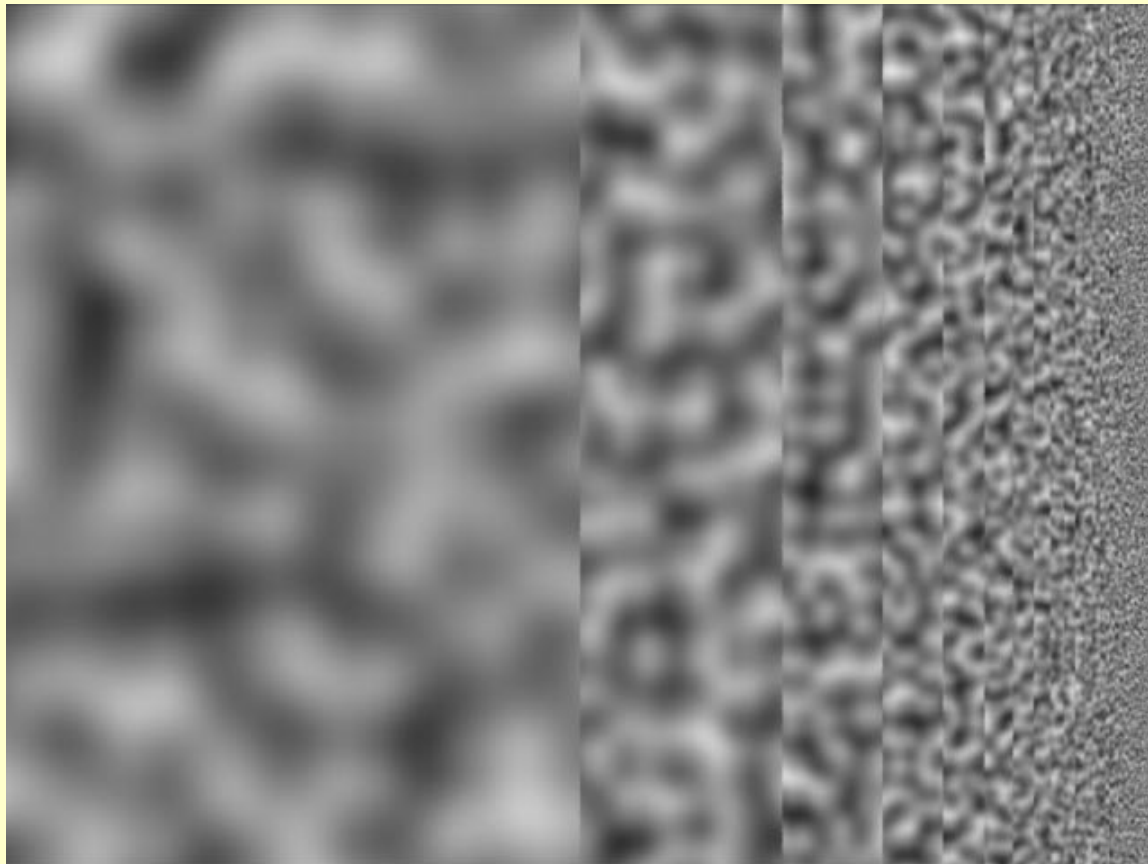
RtPoint Square[4]={
    {1.4,1,1},{1.4,-1,1},{-1.4,1,1},{-1.4,-1,1}};

int main() {
    float noisescale = 4;
    RiBegin("square.rib");
    RiDeclare("sc","uniform float");
    RiWorldBegin();
    RiSurface ("noisetest", "sc", &noisescale, RI_NULL);
    RiPatch (RI_BILINEAR, RI_P, (RtPointer) Square, RI_NULL);
    RiWorldEnd();
    RiEnd();
    return 0;
}
```

Simple RenderMan Example

SL Code

```
surface noisetest(float sc=1) {  
    Ci = float noise(floor(1/t)*sc*P);  
}
```



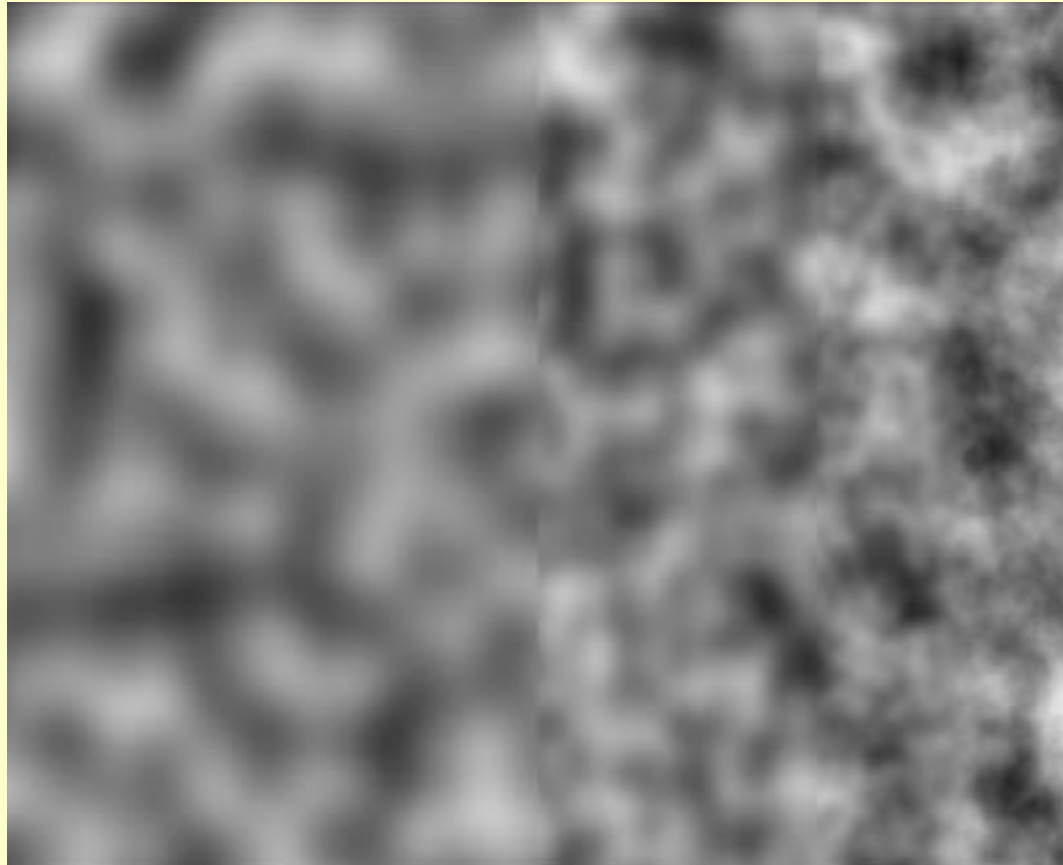
Fractional Brownian Motion (fBm)

Combine octaves, scaled by $1/f$

```
for (f=1; f<=floor(1/t); f*=2)
```

```
    Ci += (float noise(f*sc*P) - .5) / f;
```

```
Ci += .5;
```



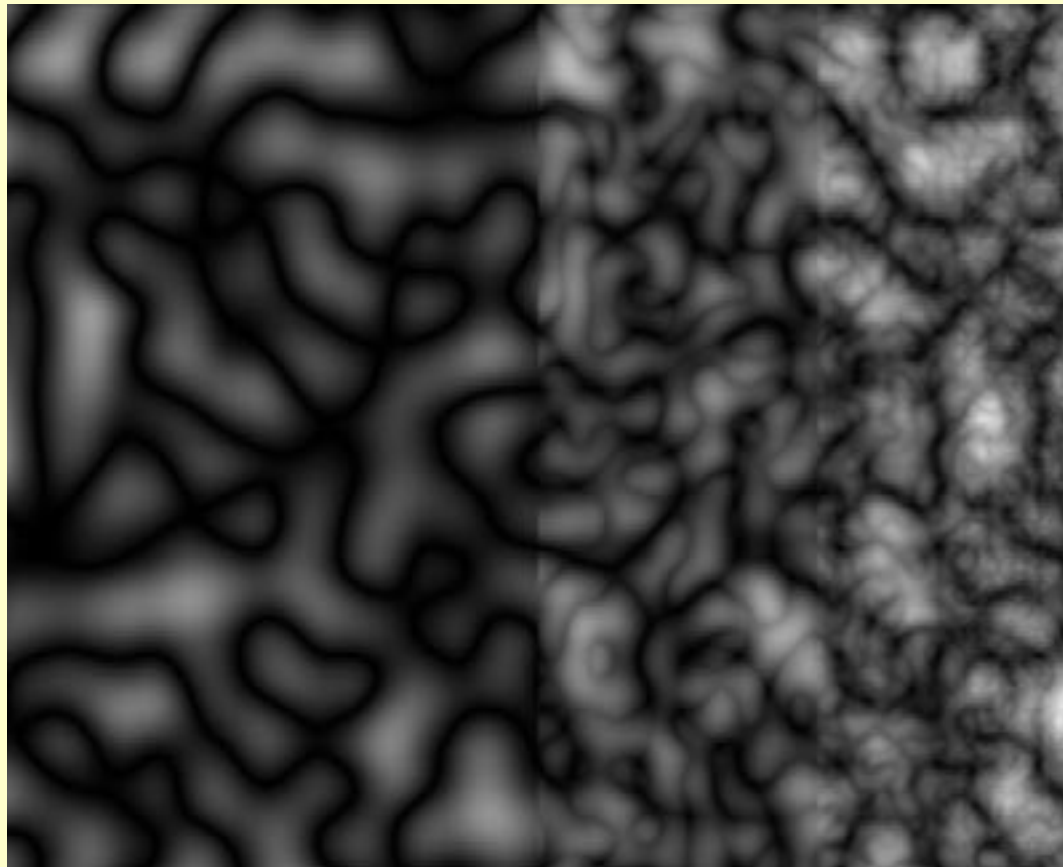
Turbulence

fBm using abs(noise)

```
for (f=1; f<=floor(1/t); f*=2)
```

```
    Ci += abs(float noise(f*sc*P) - .5) / f;
```

```
Ci += .5;
```



Marble

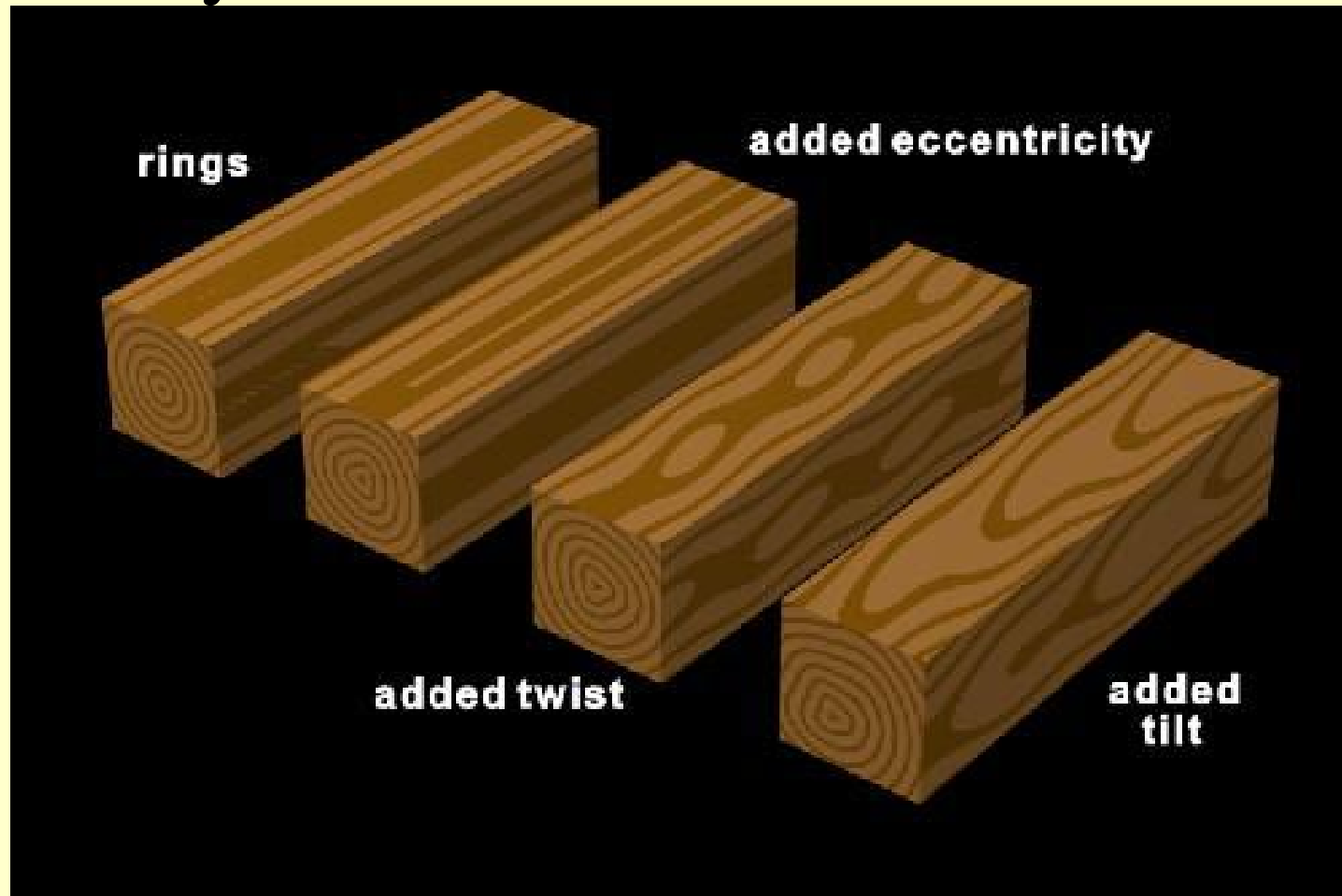
texture (xcomp (P) + turbulence (P))



Wood

Concentric rings of dark & light wood

Perturbed by noise



Volume/Cloud

Solid ellipse

Noise modifies density



More Atmospheric Effects



Getting Into Art – David Ebert