# Chapter 54

# 3-D Shading

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# Putting Realistic Surfaces on Animated 3-D Objects

At the end of the previous chapter, X-Sharp had just acquired basic hidden-surface capability, and performance had been vastly improved through the use of fixed-point arithmetic. In this chapter, we're going to add quite a bit more: support for 8088 and 80286 PCs, a general color model, and shading. That's an awful lot to cover in one chapter (actually, it'll spill over into the next chapter), so let's get to it!

## Support for Older Processors

To date, X-Sharp has run on only the 386 and 486, because it uses 32-bit multiply and divide instructions that sub-386 processors don't support. I chose 32-bit instructions for two reasons: They're much faster for 16.16 fixed-point arithmetic than any approach that works on the 8088 and 286; and they're much easier to implement than any other approach. In short, I was after maximum performance, and I was perhaps just a little lazy.

I should have known better than to try to sneak this one by you. The most common feedback I've gotten on X-Sharp is that I should make it support the 8088 and 286. Well, I can take a hint as well as the next guy. Listing 54.1 is an improved version of FIXED.ASM, containing dual 386/8088 versions of CosSin(), XformVec(), and ConcatXforms(), as well as FixedMul() and FixedDiv().

Given the new version of FIXED.ASM, with **USE386** set to 0, X-Sharp will now run on any processor. That's not to say that it will run fast on any processor, or at least not as

fast as it used to. The switch to 8088 instructions makes X-Sharp's fixed-point calculations about 2.5 times slower overall. Since a PC is perhaps 40 times slower than a 486/33, we're talking about a hundred-times speed difference between the low end and mainstream. A 486/33 can animate a 72-sided ball, complete with shading (as discussed later), at 60 frames per second (fps), with plenty of cycles to spare; an 8-MHz AT can animate the same ball at about 6 fps. Clearly, the level of animation an application uses must be tailored to the available CPU horsepower.

The implementation of a 32-bit multiply using 8088 instructions is a simple matter of adding together four partial products. A 32-bit divide is not so simple, however. In fact, in Listing 54.1 I've chosen not to implement a full  $32\times32$  divide, but rather only a  $32\times16$  divide. The reason is simple: performance. A  $32\times16$  divide can be implemented on an 8088 with two **DIV** instructions, but a  $32\times32$  divide takes a great deal more work, so far as I can see. (If anyone has a fast  $32\times32$  divide, or has a faster way to handle signed multiplies and divides than the approach taken by Listing 54.1, please drop me a line care of the publisher.) In X-Sharp, division is used only to divide either X or Y by Z in the process of projecting from view space to screen space, so the cost of using a  $32\times16$  divide is merely some inaccuracy in calculating screen coordinates, especially when objects get very close to the Z=0 plane. This error is not cumulative (that is, it doesn't carry over to later frames), and in my experience doesn't cause noticeable image degradation; therefore, given the already slow performance of the 8088 and 286, I've opted for performance over precision.

At any rate, please keep in mind that the non-386 version of **FixedDiv()** is *not* a general-purpose 32×32 fixed-point division routine. In fact, it will generate a divide-by-zero error if passed a fixed-point divisor between -1 and 1. As I've explained, the non-386 version of **Fixed-Div()** is designed to do just what X-Sharp needs, and no more, as quickly as possible.

#### LISTING 54.1 FIXED.ASM

```
: Fixed point routines.
: Tested with TASM
                 equ 1 ;1 for 386-specific opcodes, 0 for
USE386
                           : 8088 opcodes
                           :1 for rounding on multiplies,
MUL ROUNDING ON equ 1
                           ; O for no rounding. Not rounding is faster,
                           : rounding is more accurate and generally a
                           ; good idea
                           ;1 for rounding on divides,
DIV_ROUNDING_ON equ O
                            ; 0 for no rounding. Not rounding is faster,
                            ; rounding is more accurate, but because
                            ; division is only performed to project to
                            ; the screen, rounding quotients generally
                            ; isn't necessary
ALIGNMENT
                equ 2
     .model small
     .386
     .code
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; Multiplies two fixed-point values together.
 ; C near-callable as:
      Fixedpoint FixedMul(Fixedpoint M1, Fixedpoint M2);
 FMparms struc
            dw
                 2 dup(?)
                                        ;return address & pushed BP
            dd
                 ?
M2
            dd
FMparms ends
      align ALIGNMENT
      public
               _FixedMul
_FixedMul proc near
      push bp
      mov bp.sp
if USE386
      mov eax,[bp+M1]
      imul dword ptr [bp+M2]
                                        ;multiply
if MUL_ROUNDING_ON
      add eax.8000h
                                        ;round by adding 2^(-17)
      adc edx,0
                                        ;whole part of result is in DX
endif :MUL_ROUNDING_ON
      shr eax,16
                                        ;put the fractional part in AX
else :!USE386
                                        :do four partial products and
                                        ; add them together, accumulating
                                        ; the result in CX:BX
      push si
                                        :preserve C register variables
      push di
                                        ;figure out signs, so we can use
                                        ; unsigned multiplies
      sub cx.cx
                                        ;assume both operands positive
     mov ax,word ptr [bp+M1+2]
     mov
           si,word ptr [bp+M1]
     and
           ax,ax
                                        ;first operand negative?
           CheckSecondOperand
     ins
                                        ;no
     neg
           ax
                                        ;yes, so negate first operand
     neg
           si
     sbb
           ax,0
     inc
           СХ
                                       ;mark that first operand is negative
CheckSecondOperand:
           bx,word ptr [bp+M2+2]
     mov
           di,word ptr [bp+M2]
          bx,bx
     and
                                       ;second operand negative?
           SaveSignStatus
     jns
                                       ;no
     neg
          bx
                                       ;yes, so negate second operand
     nea
          di
     sbb
          bx.0
     xor cx.1
                                       ;mark that second operand is negative
SaveSignStatus:
     push cx
                                       ;remember sign of result; 1 if result
                                       ; negative, 0 if result nonnegative
     push ax
                                       ;remember high word of M1
     mul bx
                                       ;high word M1 times high word M2
     mov cx,ax
                                       ;accumulate result in CX:BX (BX not used
                                       ; until next operation, however)
                                       ;assume no overflow into DX
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;low word M1 times high word M2
     mov
           ax,si
     mu1
           bх
     mov
           bx.ax
                                        :accumulate result in CX:BX
     add
           cx,dx
                                        ;retrieve high word of M1
     DOD
           ax
     mu1
           di
                                        ;high word M1 times low word M2
     add
           bx.ax
     adc
           cx,dx
                                        ;accumulate result in CX:BX
                                        ;low word M1 times low word M2
     mov
           ax,si
     mu1
           dí
if MUL_ROUNDING_ON
                                        ; round by adding 2^{-17}
     add
          ax,8000h
     adc
           bx,dx
else : !MUL_ROUNDING_ON
     add
                                        :don't round
          bx,dx
endif ;MUL_ROUNDING_ON
     adc
          cx,0
                                        ;accumulate result in CX:BX
     moν
           dx,cx
     mov
           ax,bx
     pop
     and
           cx,cx
                                        ;is the result negative?
                                        ;no, we're all set
     jΖ
           FixedMulDone
                                        ;yes, so negate DX:AX
     neg
     neg
           dx,0
     sbb
FixedMulDone:
     pop di
                                        ;restore C register variables
     pop si
endif ;USE386
     pop
     ret
_FixedMul
           endp
; Divides one fixed-point value by another.
; C near-callable as:
     Fixedpoint FixedDiv(Fixedpoint Dividend, Fixedpoint Divisor);
FDparms struc
                 2 dup(?)
                                        :return address & pushed BP
           dw
Dividend
           dd
Divisor
           dd
               ?
FDparms ends
                 ALIGNMENT
        align
                 _FixedDiv
        public
_FixedDiv
                 proc
                        near
        push
                 bp
        mov
                 bp,sp
if USE386
if DIV_ROUNDING_ON
        sub
                                        ;assume positive result
        mov
                eax,[bp+Dividend]
        and
                eax,eax
                                        ;positive dividend?
                FDP1
        jns
                                        :mark it's a negative dividend
        inc
        neg
                eax
                                        ;make the dividend positive
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```
FDP1:
                                         :make it a 64-bit dividend, then shift
        sub
                edx.edx
                                         ; left 16 bits so that result will be in EAX
                                         ;put fractional part of dividend in
                eax.16
        rol
                                         ; high word of EAX
                dx.ax
                                         ;put whole part of dividend in DX
        mov
                ax,ax
                                         :clear low word of EAX
        sub
        mov
                ebx.dword ptr [bp+Divisor]
        and
                ebx.ebx
                                         :positive divisor?
                FDP2
        jns
        dec
                СХ
                                         ;mark it's a negative divisor
        nea
                ebx
                                         ;make divisor positive
FDP2:
        dív
                ebx
                                         :divide
                ebx,1
                                         ;divisor/2, minus 1 if the divisor is
        shr
                ebx,0
        adc
                                         ; even
        dec
                ebx
                ebx.edx
                                         ;set Carry if the remainder is at least
        CMD
        adc
                eax.0
                                         ; half as large as the divisor, then
                                         : use that to round up if necessary
        and
                cx,cx
                                         ;should the result be made negative?
                FDP3
        .iz
                                         ;yes, negate it
        neg
                eax
FDP3:
else ;!DIV_ROUNDING_ON
        mov
                edx,[bp+Dividend]
        sub
                eax,eax
        shrd
                eax,edx,16
                                         ;position so that result ends up
                                         ; in EAX
        sar
                edx.16
        idiv
                dword ptr [bp+Divisor]
endif ;DIV_ROUNDING_ON
        sh1d
                edx.eax.16
                                         :whole part of result in DX:
                                         ; fractional part is already in AX
else
                                         :1USE386
      :NOTE!!! Non-386 division uses a 32-bit dividend but only the upper 16 bits
      ; of the divisor; in other words, only the integer part of the divisor is
      ; used. This is done so that the division can be accomplished with two fast
      ; hardware divides instead of a slow software implementation, and is (in my
      ; opinion) acceptable because division is only used to project points to the
      ; screen (normally, the divisor is a Z coordinate), so there's no cumulative
      ; error, although there will be some error in pixel placement (the magnitude
      ; of the error is less the farther away from the Z=0 plane objects are). This
      ; is *not* a general-purpose divide, though; if the divisor is less than 1,
      ; for instance, a divide-by-zero error will result! For this reason, non-386
      ; projection can't be performed for points closer to the viewpoint than Z-1.
                                                    ;figure out signs, so we can use
                                                     ; unsigned divisions
           sub
                                                    ;assume both operands positive
                    ax, word ptr [bp+Dividend+2]
           mov
                                                    ;first operand negative?
           and
                    ax,ax
           jns
                    CheckSecondOperandD ;no
                                                    :yes, so negate first operand
           neg
                    word ptr [bp+Dividend]
           nea
           sbb
                    ax.0
                                                    :mark that first operand is negative
           inc
                    СХ
CheckSecondOperandD:
           mov
                    bx,word ptr [bp+Divisor+2]
           and
                    bx.bx
                                                    ;second operand negative?
           jns
                    SaveSignStatusD
                                                    :no
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:yes, so negate second operand
           nea
                    bх
                    word ptr [bp+Divisor]
           nea
           sbb
                    bx,0
                                        :mark that second operand is negative
           xor
                    cx.1
SaveSignStatusD:
                                        ;remember sign of result; 1 if result
           push
                                         : negative, 0 if result nonnegative
                                         :put Dividend+2 (integer part) in DX:AX
     sub
           dx.dx
                                         ;first half of 32/16 division, integer part
     div
           bx
                                         ; divided by integer part
                                         ;set aside integer part of result
     mov
           cx.ax
     mov
           ax,word ptr [bp+Dividend]
                                         ;concatenate the fractional part of
                                         : the dividend to the remainder (fractional
                                         ; part) of the result from dividing the
                                         ; integer part of the dividend
     div
           bx
                                         :second half of 32/16 division
if DIV_ROUNDING_ON EQ 0
                                         ;divisor/2, minus 1 if the divisor is
     shr
           bx,1
     adc
           bx.0
                                         ; even
     dec
           bx
                                         :set Carry if the remainder is at least
     CMD
           bx.dx
     adc
           ax,0
                                         : half as large as the divisor, then
     adc
                                         ; use that to round up if necessary
          cx.0
endif :DIV_ROUNDING_ON
     mov
           dx,cx
                                         ;absolute value of result in DX:AX
     pop
           CX
                                         :is the result negative?
     and
           cx.cx
     jz
           FixedDivDone
                                         ;no, we're all set
                                         ;yes, so negate DX:AX
     neg
           dχ
     neg
           ax
     sbb
           dx.0
FixedDivDone:
endif: USE386
     DOD
              bp
     ret
_FixedDiv
                endp
; Returns the sine and cosine of an angle.
; C near-callable as:
     void CosSin(TAngle Angle, Fixedpoint *Cos, Fixedpoint *);
     align ALIGNMENT
CosTable label dword
     include costable.inc
SCparms struc
                                         :return address & pushed BP
           dw
                 2 dup(?)
                                         ;angle to calculate sine & cosine for
Angle
           dw
                 ?
                                         ;pointer to cos destination
Cos
           dw
                 ?
                                         :pointer to sin destination
Sin
           dw
                 ?
SCparms
           ends
     align ALIGNMENT
```

public \_CosSin

```
_CosSin
            proc near
      push bp
                                         ;preserve stack frame
      mov
                                         ;set up local stack frame
           dp,sp
if USE386
      mov
           bx,[bp].Angle
      and
           bx,bx
                                         ;make sure angle's between 0 and 2*pi
           CheckInRange
      jns
MakePos:
                                        ;less than 0, so make it positive
      add
           bx.360*10
           MakePos
      js
      jmp
          short CheckInRange
      align ALIGNMENT
MakeInRange:
                                        ;make sure angle is no more than 2*pi
      sub bx,360*10
CheckInRange:
          bx.360*10
      cmp
           MakeInRange
      jg
          bx.180*10
      CMD
                                        ;figure out which quadrant
           BottomHalf
                                        :quadrant 2 or 3
      ja
      cmp
           bx,90*10
                                        ;quadrant 0 or 1
           Quadrant1
                                        ;quadrant 0
     shl
           bx,2
           eax,CosTable[bx]
     mov
                                        ;look up sine
                                        ;sin(Angle) = cos(90-Angle)
      neg bx
     mov
           edx,CosTable[bx+90*10*4]
                                        ;look up cosine
          short CSDone
      jmp
     align ALIGNMENT
Quadrant1:
     neg
           bx,180*10
      add
                                        ;convert to angle between 0 and 90
      sh1
           bx,2
           eax,CosTable[bx]
     mov
                                        ;look up cosine
     neg
           eax
                                        ;negative in this quadrant
                                        ;sin(Angle) = cos(90-Angle)
     neg
           edx,CosTable[bx+90*10*4]
                                        ;look up cosine
     mov
           short CSDone
     jmp
     align ALIGNMENT
BottomHalf:
                                        :quadrant 2 or 3
     neg
           bx,360*10
     add
                                        ;convert to angle between 0 and 180
           bx,90*10
     cmp
                                        ;quadrant 2 or 3
           Quadrant2
     ja
                                        ;quadrant 3
     sh1
           bx.2
           eax,CosTable[bx]
     mov
                                        ;look up cosine
                                        ;sin(Angle) = cos(90-Angle)
     neg
           bх
           edx.CosTable[90*10*4+bx]
                                        ;look up sine
     mov
     neg
          edx
                                        ;negative in this quadrant
          short CSDone
     align ALIGNMENT
Quadrant2:
     neg
           bx,180*10
                                        ;convert to angle between 0 and 90
     add
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```
sh1
           bx.2
     mov
           eax,CosTable[bx]
                                             ;look up cosine
           eax
                                             ;negative in this quadrant
     nea
                                             :sin(Angle) = cos(90-Angle)
     neg
           edx,CosTable[90*10*4+bx]
                                             :look up sine
     mov
           edx
                                             ;negative in this quadrant
     neg
CSDone:
           bx,[bp].Cos
     mov
     mov
           [bx],eax
           bx.[bp].Sin
     mov
     mov [bx],edx
else:!USE386
           bx,[bp].Angle
                                             ;make sure angle's between 0 and 2*pi
     and
         bx.bx
     jns CheckInRange
MakePos:
                                             :less than O, so make it positive
          bx,360*10
     add
           MakePos
     js
         short CheckInRange
     align ALIGNMENT
                                             ;make sure angle is no more than 2*pi
MakeInRange:
     sub bx,360*10
CheckInRange:
     cmp bx,360*10
           MakeInRange
     jg
                                             ;figure out which quadrant
     cmp bx.180*10
     ja
          BottomHalf
                                             ;quadrant 2 or 3
     cmp bx.90*10
                                             ;quadrant 0 or 1
     jа
           Quadrant1
                                             ;quadrant 0
                                             ;look up sine
     mov ax,word ptr CosTable[bx]
     mov dx,word ptr CosTable[bx+2]
                                             ;sin(Angle) = cos(90-Angle)
     neg bx
          cx,word ptr CosTable[bx+90*10*4+2] ;look up cosine
     mov
          bx,word ptr CosTable[bx+90*10*4]
     mov
          CSDone
     jmp
     align ALIGNMENT
Quadrant1:
     neg
           bx
                                             ;convert to angle between 0 and 90
     add
           bx,180*10
     shi bx,2
          ax.word ptr CosTable[bx]
                                             ;look up cosine
     mov
     mov dx,word ptr CosTable[bx+2]
                                             ;negative in this quadrant
     neg dx
     neg
          ax
     sbb
          dx.0
                                             ;sin(Angle) - cos(90-Angle)
     nea
           cx.word ptr CosTable[bx+90*10*4+2] ;look up cosine
     mov bx,word ptr CosTable[bx+90*10*4]
     jmp short CSDone
     align ALIGNMENT
                                             ;quadrant 2 or 3
BottomHalf:
     neg
     add
          bx.360*10
                                             ;convert to angle between 0 and 180
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bx.90*10
      CMD
                                               ;quadrant 2 or 3
            Quadrant2
      ja
                                               ;quadrant 3
      sh1
           bx.2
                                              ;look up cosine
      mov
           ax,word ptr CosTable[bx]
      mov
           dx,word ptr CosTable[bx+2]
                                               ;sin(Angle) - cos(90-Angle)
      neg
           cx, word ptr CosTable[90*10*4+bx+2] :look up sine
      mov
            bx,word ptr CosTable[90*10*4+bx]
      neg
                                               ;negative in this quadrant
      neg
           Ьx
      sbb
           cx,0
           short CSDone
      jmp
      align ALIGNMENT
Quadrant2:
      neg
      add
           bx,180*10
                                               ;convert to angle between 0 and 90
      shl
           bx.2
      mov
            ax,word ptr CosTable[bx]
                                               :look up cosine
      mov
            dx,word ptr CosTable[bx+2]
      neg
           dx
                                               ;negative in this quadrant
      neg
           aх
      sbb
           dx,0
      neq
           bх
                                               ;sin(Angle) - cos(90-Angle)
           cx,word ptr CosTable[90*10*4+bx+2] ;look up sine
      mov
      mov
           bx.word ptr CosTable[90*10*4+bx]
      neg
                                              ;negative in this quadrant
           CX
      neg
           bх
      sbb
           cx,0
CSDone:
     push bx
     mov
           bx,[bp].Cos
     mov
           [bx],ax
           [bx+2],dx
     moν
     mov
           bx,[bp].Sin
     pop
           aх
     mov
           [bx].ax
     mov
           [bx+2],cx
endif :USE386
     pop
           bp
                                              ;restore stack frame
      ret
_CosSin
           endp
; Matrix multiplies Xform by SourceVec, and stores the result in
; DestVec. Multiplies a 4x4 matrix times a 4x1 matrix; the result
; is a 4x1 matrix. Cheats by assuming the W coord is 1 and the
; bottom row of the matrix is 0 0 0 1, and doesn't bother to set
; the W coordinate of the destination.
: C near-callable as:
     void XformVec(Xform WorkingXform, Fixedpoint *SourceVec,
           Fixedpoint *DestVec);
; This assembly code is equivalent to this C code:
  int i:
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for (1=0; 1<3; 1++)
       DestVec[i] = FixedMul(WorkingXform[i][0], SourceVec[0]) +
           FixedMul(WorkingXform[i][1], SourceVec[1]) +
           FixedMul(WorkingXform[i][2], SourceVec[2]) +
           WorkingXform[i][3]; /* no need to multiply by W = 1 */
XVparms struc
                       2 dup(?)
                                         :return address & pushed BP
                 dw
WorkingXform
                 ₫₩
                                         ;pointer to transform matrix
                                         :pointer to source vector
SourceVec
                 dw
                       ?
                                         :pointer to destination vector
DestVec
                 dw
                       ?
XVparms ends
; Macro for non-386 multiply. AX, BX, CX, DX destroyed.
FIXED MUL MACRO M1,M2
      local CheckSecondOperand, SaveSignStatus, FixedMulDone
                                         :do four partial products and
                                         ; add them together, accumulating
                                         ; the result in CX:BX
                                         ;figure out signs, so we can use
                                         ; unsigned multiplies
                                         ;assume both operands positive
      sub
           CX,CX
           bx,word ptr [&M1&+2]
      mov
           bx.bx
                                         ;first operand negative?
      and
      jns
           CheckSecondOperand
                                         :no
                                         ;yes, so negate first operand
      neg
           Ьx
      neg
           word ptr [&M1&]
      sbb
            bx.0
           word ptr [&M1&+2],bx
      mov
                                         ;mark that first operand is negative
      inc
CheckSecondOperand:
           bx,word ptr [&M2&+2]
      mov
           bx,bx
                                         ;second operand negative?
      and
           SaveSignStatus
      jns
                                         :no
                                         :yes. so negate second operand
      nea
           bх
           word ptr [&M2&]
      nea
      sbb
           bx.0
           word ptr [&M2&+2].bx
                                         ;mark that second operand is negative
      xor
SaveSignStatus:
                                         ;remember sign of result; 1 if result
      push cx
                                         ; negative, 0 if result nonnegative
                                         ;high word times high word
            ax, word ptr [&M1&+2]
      mov
      mu1
           word ptr [&M2&+2]
      mov
           cx,ax
                                         :assume no overflow into DX
      mov
            ax.word ptr [&M1&+2]
                                         ;high word times low word
      mul
            word ptr [&M2&]
            bx,ax
      mov
      add
            cx,dx
            ax,word ptr [&M1&]
                                         ;low word times high word
      mov
           word ptr [&M2&+2]
      mu1
      add
           bx,ax
      adc
           cx.dx
      mov
            ax, word ptr [&M1&]
                                         ;low word times low word
      mul
           word ptr [&M2&]
if MUL_ROUNDING_ON
                ax,8000h
                                        ;round by adding 2^(-17)
        add
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adc bx,dx

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else ;!MUL_ROUNDING_ON
     add bx,dx
                                      :don't round
endif ;MUL_ROUNDING_ON
     adc cx.0
     mov dx.cx
     mov ax.bx
     pop
         CX
     and cx.cx
                                      ;is the result negative?
     iz
           FixedMulDone
                                      :no, we're all set
     neg dx
                                       ;yes, so negate DX:AX
     neg ax
     sbb dx.0
FixedMulDone:
     ENDM
     align ALIGNMENT
     public _XformVec
_XformVec proc near
     push bp
                                       ;preserve stack frame
     mov bp,sp
                                       :set up local stack frame
     push si
                                       ;preserve register variables
     push đi
if USE386
     mov si,[bp].WorkingXform
                                       ;SI points to xform matrix
                                       ;BX points to source vector
     mov
          bx,[bp].SourceVec
     mov di,[bp].DestVec
                                       ;DI points to dest vector
soff=0
doff-0
     REPT 3
                                       ;do once each for dest X, Y, and Z
     mov eax.[si+soff]
                                       :column O entry on this row
     imul dword ptr [bx]
                                       ;xform entry times source X entry
if MUL_ROUNDING_ON
     add eax,8000h
                                       round by adding 2^(-17)
     adc edx.0
                                       ;whole part of result is in DX
endif :MUL_ROUNDING_ON
     shrd eax,edx,16
                                       ;shift the result back to 16.16 form
     mov ecx.eax
                                       ;set running total
     mov eax,[si+soff+4]
imul dword ptr [bx+4]
                                       ;column 1 entry on this row
                                       ;xform entry times source Y entry
if MUL_ROUNDING_ON
     add eax,8000h
                                       round by adding 2^{-17}
     adc
          edx.0
                                       ;whole part of result is in DX
endif ;MUL_ROUNDING_ON
     shrd eax,edx,16
                                       ;shift the result back to 16.16 form
     add ecx,eax
                                       ;running total for this row
     mov eax,[si+soff+8]
                                       ;column 2 entry on this row
     imul dword ptr [bx+8]
                                       ;xform entry times source Z entry
if MUL ROUNDING ON
     add eax.8000h
                                      ; round by adding 2^{-17}
     adc edx.0
                                       :whole part of result is in DX
endif : MUL_ROUNDING_ON
     shrd eax,edx,16
                                       ;shift the result back to 16.16 form
     add ecx,eax
                                       ;running total for this row
     add ecx,[si+soff+12]
                                      ;add in translation
     mov [di+doff],ecx
                                      ;save the result in the dest vector
```

```
soff=soff+16
doff-doff+4
     ENDM
else :!USE386
          si,[bp].WorkingXform
     mov
                                            :SI points to xform matrix
     mov di,[bp].SourceVec
                                            ;DI points to source vector
     mov bx,[bp].DestVec
                                            ;BX points to dest vector
     push bp
                                            ;preserve stack frame pointer
soff=0
doff-0
     REPT 3
                                             ;do once each for dest X, Y, and Z
     push bx
                                             ;remember dest vector pointer
     push word ptr [si+soff+2]
     push word ptr [si+soff]
     push word ptr [di+2]
     push word ptr [di]
     call _FixedMul
                                             ;xform entry times source X entry
     add sp.8
                                             ;clear parameters from stack
     mov cx,ax; set running total
     mov bp.dx
     push cx
                                             ;preserve low word of running total
     push word ptr [si+soff+4+2]
     push word ptr [si+soff+4]
     push word ptr [di+4+2]
     push word ptr [di+4]
     call _FixedMul
                                             ;xform entry times source Y entry
     add sp.8
                                             ;clear parameters from stack
     рор сх
                                             ;restore low word of running total
     add cx.ax
                                             ;running total for this row
     adc bp.dx
     push cx
                                             ;preserve low word of running total
     push word ptr [si+soff+8+2]
     push word ptr [si+soff+8]
     push word ptr [di+8+2]
     push word ptr [di+8]
     call _FixedMul
                                             :xform entry times source Z entry
     add sp.8
                                             ;clear parameters from stack
                                             ;restore low word of running total
     рор сх
     add cx.ax
                                            ;running total for this row
     adc bp,dx
     add cx,[si+soff+12]
                                            ;add in translation
     adc bp,[si+soff+12+2]
     pop bx
                                            :restore dest vector pointer
          [bx+doff],cx
     mov
                                             ;save the result in the dest vector
     mov
          [bx+doff+2].bp
soff=soff+16
doff-doff+4
     ENDM
     pop bp
                                            ;restore stack frame pointer
endif ;USE386
     pop di
                                            ;restore register variables
```

pop si

```
XformVec
          endp
: Matrix multiplies SourceXform1 by SourceXform2 and stores the
: result in DestXform. Multiplies a 4x4 matrix times a 4x4 matrix:
: the result is a 4x4 matrix. Cheats by assuming the bottom row of
: each matrix is 0 0 0 1. and doesn't bother to set the bottom row
: of the destination.
: C near-callable as:
        void ConcatXforms(Xform SourceXform1. Xform SourceXform2.
                Xform DestXform)
; This assembly code is equivalent to this C code:
   int i, j:
    for (i=0: i<3: i++) {
       for (j=0; j<3; j++)
         DestXform[i][j] =
                FixedMul(SourceXform1[i][0], SourceXform2[0][j]) +
                FixedMul(SourceXform1[i][1], SourceXform2[1][j]) +
                FixedMul(SourceXform1[i][2], SourceXform2[2][j]);
      DestXform[i][3] =
             FixedMul(SourceXform1[i][0], SourceXform2[0][3]) +
             FixedMul(SourceXform1[i][1], SourceXform2[1][3]) +
             FixedMul(SourceXform1[i][2], SourceXform2[2][3]) +
             SourceXform1[i][3];
   }
CXparms struc
                 dw
                       2 dup(?)
                                              return address & pushed BP
SourceXform1
                 dw
                       ?
                                              ;pointer to first source xform matrix
SourceXform2
                 dw
                      ?
                                              ;pointer to second source xform matrix
DestXform
                 ď₩
                       ?
                                              :pointer to destination xform matrix
CXparms ends
                    ALIGNMENT
           align
           public ConcatXforms
_ConcatXforms
                    proc
           push
                    bp
                                              :preserve stack frame
                                              :set up local stack frame
           mov
                    bp,sp
           push
                    si
                                              ;preserve register variables
                    di
           push
if USE386
                    bx,[bp].SourceXform2
                                              :BX points to xform2 matrix
           moν
                    si,[bp].SourceXform1
                                              :SI points to xform1 matrix
           mov
           mov
                    di,[bp].DestXform
                                              ;DI points to dest xform matrix
roff=0
                                              :row offset
           REPT 3
                                              ; once for each row
coff=0
                                              :column offset
                                              ; once for each of the first 3 columns,
           REPT 3
                                              ; assuming 0 as the bottom entry (no
                                              ; translation)
                    eax.[si+roff]
           mov
                                              ; column 0 entry on this row
```

dword ptr [bx+coff]

imul

pop

ret

bp

:restore stack frame

:times row 0 entry in column

4.6 MIII DOII	NDING ON		
if MUL_ROU	add_on	eax,8000h	round by adding 2^(-17)
	adc	edx.0	;whole part of result is in DX
endif ;MUL_ROUNDING_ON			
•	shrd	eax,edx,16	;shift the result back to 16.16 form
	mov	ecx,eax	;set running total
	mov	eax,[si+roff+4]	column 1 entry on this row
	imul	dword ptr [bx+coff+16]	times row 1 entry in col
if MUL_ROU			
	add	eax,8000h	round by adding 2^(-17)
endif ;MUL	adc	edx,0	;whole part of result is in DX
endii ;mot	_koonbing shrd	_on eax,edx,16	;shift the result back to 16.16 form
	add	ecx,eax	;running total
	uuu	con,cun	, and the court
	Mov	eax,[si+roff+8]	;column 2 entry on this row
	imul	dword ptr [bx+coff+32]	;times row 2 entry in col
if MUL_ROU	NDING_ON		
	add	eax,8000h	round by adding 2^(-17)
	adc	edx.0	;whole part of result is in DX
endif ;MUL			
	shrd	eax,edx,16	;shift the result back to 16.16 form
	add	ecx,eax	;running total
	mou	[ditacff:roff] and	:save the result in dest matrix
coff=coff+	Mov ₄	[di+coff+roff],ecx	; point to next col in xform2 & dest
2011 2011	ENDM		, portit to next cor in xioimz a dest
	LIIDII		;now do the fourth column, assuming
			; 1 as the bottom entry, causing
			; translation to be performed
	mov	eax,[si+roff]	;column 0 entry on this row
	imul	dword ptr [bx+coff]	times row 0 entry in column;
if MUL_ROU			
	add	eax,8000h	round by adding 2^(-17)
	adc	edx,0	;whole part of result is in DX
endif ;MUL			shift the secult heat to 10 16 form
	shrd	eax,edx,16	;shift the result back to 16.16 form
	mov	ecx,eax	;set running total
	mov	eax,[si+roff+4]	;column 1 entry on this row
	imul	dword ptr [bx+coff+16]	;times row 1 entry in col
if MUL_ROU			
	add	eax,8000h	round by adding 2^(-17)
	adc	edx,0	;whole part of result is in DX
endif ;MUL	_ROUNDING	_ON	
	shrd	eax,edx,16	;shift the result back to 16.16 form
	add	ecx,eax	running total;
	<b>m</b> 011	any foftmofft 01	coolumn O onthru on this cool
	mov	eax,[s1+roff+8]	;column 2 entry on this row
if MUL_ROU	imul	dword ptr [bx+coff+32]	;times row 2 entry in col
II MOL_KOO	ND SNIGN		
	_	eax.8000h	round by adding 2^(-17)
	add	eax,8000h edx.0	round by adding 2^(-17): whole part of result is in DX
endif :MUL	add adc	edx,0	round by adding 2^(-17); whole part of result is in DX
endif ;MUL	add adc	edx,0	
endif :MUL	add adc _ROUNDING_	edx,0 _ON	;whole part of result is in DX
endif :MUL	add adc _ROUNDING shrd	edx,0 _ON eax,edx,16	<pre>;whole part of result is in DX ;shift the result back to 16.16 form</pre>

```
[di+coff+roff].ecx
           mov
                                                     ;save the result in dest matrix
coff=coff+4
                                                     ;point to next col in xform2 & dest
roff=roff+16
                                                    ;point to next col in xform2 & dest
           ENDM
else:!USE386
           mov
                    di.[bp].SourceXform2
                                                    :DI points to xform2 matrix
           mov
                    si,[bp].SourceXform1
                                                    ;SI points to xform1 matrix
           moν
                    bx,[bp].DestXform
                                                    ;BX points to dest xform matrix
           push
                                                    ;preserve stack frame pointer
roff≃0
                                                    :row offset
           REPT 3
                                                    :once for each row
coff=0
                                                    :column offset
           REPT 3
                                                    ; once for each of the first 3 columns.
                                                    ; assuming 0 as the bottom entry (no
                                                    : translation)
           push
                                                    ;remember dest vector pointer
           push
                    word ptr [si+roff+2]
           push
                    word ptr [si+roff]
           push
                    word ptr [di+coff+2]
           push
                    word ptr [di+coff]
           call
                    FixedMul
                                                    ;column 0 entry on this row times row 0
                                                    : entry in column
           add
                    sp.8
                                                    :clear parameters from stack
           mov
                    cx,ax
                             ;set running total
                    bp.dx
           mov
           push
                                                    ;preserve low word of running total
           push
                    word ptr [si+roff+4+2]
           push
                    word ptr [si+roff+4]
           push
                    word ptr [di+coff+16+2]
           push
                    word ptr [di+coff+16]
                                                    ; column 1 entry on this row times row 1
           ca11
                   FixedMul
                                                    ; entry in column
           add
                    sp.8
                                                    ;clear parameters from stack
           pop
                    сх
                                                    ;restore low word of running total
           add
                    cx.ax
                                                    ;running total for this row
           adc
                   bp.dx
           push
                                                    ;preserve low word of running total
                   word ptr [si+roff+8+2]
           push
           push
                   word ptr [si+roff+8]
                   word ptr [di+coff+32+2]
           push
           push
                   word ptr [di+coff+32]
                   _FixedMul
           call
                                                    ;column 1 entry on this row times row 1
                                                    ; entry in column
           add
                   sp,8
                                                    :clear parameters from stack
           pop
                   СХ
                                                    ;restore low word of running total
           add
                   cx,ax
                                                    ;running total for this row
           adc
                   bp.dx
           pop
                                                    ;restore DestXForm pointer
                   [bx+coff+roff],cx
           mov
                                                    ;save the result in dest matrix
           moγ
                   [bx+coff+roff+2],bp
```

```
coff-coff+4
                                                     ;point to next col in xform2 & dest
           ENDM
                                                     ;now do the fourth column, assuming
                                                     ; 1 as the bottom entry, causing
                                                     ; translation to be performed
           push
                                                     ;remember dest vector pointer
           push
                    word ptr [si+roff+2]
           push
                    word ptr [si+roff]
                    word ptr [di+coff+2]
           push
                    word ptr [di+coff]
           push
           call
                    _FixedMul
                                                     ;column 0 entry on this row times row 0
                                                     : entry in column
           add
                    sp,8
                                                     ;clear parameters from stack
                    cx,ax
           mov
                             ;set running total
                    bp.dx
           mov
           push
                                                     ;preserve low word of running total
                    СХ
           push
                    word ptr [si+roff+4+2]
           push
                    word ptr [si+roff+4]
           push
                    word ptr [di+coff+16+2]
           push
                    word ptr [di+coff+16]
           call
                    _FixedMul
                                                     ;column 1 entry on this row times row 1
                                                     ; entry in column
           add
                    sp.8
                                                     ;clear parameters from stack
           DOD
                                                     ;restore low word of running total
                    СX
           add
                    cx.ax
                                                     ;running total for this row
           adc
                    bp.dx
           push
                                                     ;preserve low word of running total
                    word ptr [si+roff+8+2]
           push
           push
                    word ptr [si+roff+8]
                    word ptr [di+coff+32+2]
           push
           push
                    word ptr [di+coff+32]
           call
                    _FixedMul
                                                     ;column 1 entry on this row times row 1
                                                     ; entry in column
           add
                    sp.8
                                                     ;clear parameters from stack
           pop
                    СХ
                                                     restore low word of running total
           add
                    cx,ax
                                                     ;running total for this row
           adc
                    bp.dx
           add
                    cx,[si+roff+12]
                                                     :add in translation
           add
                    bp.[si+roff+12+2]
           pop
                                                     ;restore DestXForm pointer
           mov
                    [bx+coff+roff],cx
                                                     ;save the result in dest matrix
                    [bx+coff+roff+2],bp
coff-coff+4
                                                     ;point to next col in xform2 & dest
roff-roff+16
                                                     ;point to next col in xform2 & dest
           ENDM
           рор
                    bp
                                                     ;restore stack frame pointer
endif ;USE386
                    di
           pop
                                                     restore register variables
                    si
           pop
                                                     ;restore stack frame
           pop
                    bр
           ret
_ConcatXforms
                    endp
```

## Shading

So far, the polygons out of which our animated objects have been built have had colors of fixed intensities. For example, a face of a cube might be blue, or green, or white, but whatever color it is, that color never brightens or dims. Fixed colors are easy to implement, but they don't make for very realistic animation. In the real world, the intensity of the color of a surface varies depending on how brightly it is illuminated. The ability to simulate the illumination of a surface, or shading, is the next feature we'll add to X-Sharp.

The overall shading of an object is the sum of several types of shading components. Ambient shading is illumination by what you might think of as background light, light that's coming from all directions; all surfaces are equally illuminated by ambient light, regardless of their orientation. Directed lighting, producing diffuse shading, is illumination from one or more specific light sources. Directed light has a specific direction, and the angle at which it strikes a surface determines how brightly it lights that surface. Specular reflection is the tendency of a surface to reflect light in a mirror-like fashion. There are other sorts of shading components, including transparency and atmospheric effects, but the ambient and diffuse-shading components are all we're going to deal with in X-Sharp.

#### **Ambient Shading**

The basic model for both ambient and diffuse shading is a simple one. Each surface has a reflectivity between 0 and 1, where 0 means all light is absorbed and 1 means all light is reflected. A certain amount of light energy strikes each surface. The energy (intensity) of the light is expressed such that if light of intensity 1 strikes a surface with reflectivity 1, then the brightest possible shading is displayed for that surface. Complicating this somewhat is the need to support color; we do this by separating reflectance and shading into three components each—red, green, and blue—and calculating the shading for each color component separately for each surface.

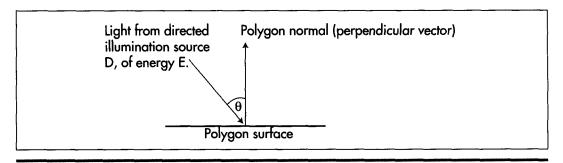
Given an ambient-light red intensity of  $IA_{red}$  and a surface red reflectance  $R_{red}$ , the displayed red ambient shading for that surface, as a fraction of the maximum red intensity, is simply  $\min(IA_{red} \times R_{red}, 1)$ . The green and blue color components are handled similarly. That's really all there is to ambient shading, although of course we must design some way to map displayed color components into the available palette of colors; I'll do that in the next chapter. Ambient shading isn't the whole shading picture, though. In fact, scenes tend to look pretty bland without diffuse shading.

#### Diffuse Shading

Diffuse shading is more complicated than ambient shading, because the effective intensity of directed light falling on a surface depends on the angle at which it strikes the surface. According to Lambert's law, the light energy from a directed light source

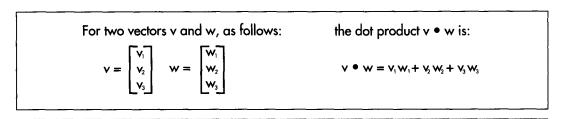
striking a surface is proportional to the cosine of the angle at which it strikes the surface, with the angle measured relative to a vector perpendicular to the polygon (a polygon normal), as shown in Figure 54.1. If the red intensity of directed light is  $ID_{red}$ , the red reflectance of the surface is  $R_{red}$ , and the angle between the incoming directed light and the surface's normal is theta, then the displayed red diffuse shading for that surface, as a fraction of the largest possible red intensity, is min  $(ID_{red} \times R_{red} \times \cos(\theta), 1)$ .

That's easy enough to calculate—but seemingly slow. Determining the cosine of an angle can be sped up with a table lookup, but there's also the task of figuring out the angle, and, all in all, it doesn't seem that diffuse shading is going to be speedy enough for our purposes. Consider this, however: According to the properties of the dot product (denoted by the operator "•", as shown in Figure 54.2),  $\cos(\theta) = (v \cdot w) / |v| \times |w|$ ), where v and w are vectors,  $\theta$  is the angle between v and w, and |v| is the length of v. Suppose, now, that v and w are unit vectors; that is, vectors exactly one unit long. Then the above equation reduces to  $\cos(\theta) = v \cdot w$ . In other words, we can calculate the cosine between N, the unit-normal vector (one-unit-long perpendicular vector) of a polygon, and L', the reverse of a unit vector describing the direction of a light source, with just three multiplies and two adds. (I'll explain why the light-direction vector must be reversed later.) Once we have that, we can easily calculate the red



Illumination by a directed light source.

Figure 54.1



The dot product of two vectors.

Figure 54.2

diffuse shading from a directed light source as  $min(ID_{red} \times R_{red} \times (L' \bullet N), 1)$  and likewise for the green and blue color components.

The overall red shading for each polygon can be calculated by summing the ambient-shading red component with the diffuse-shading component from each light source, as in  $\min((IA_{red} \times R_{red}) + (ID_{red0} \times R_{red} \times (L_0' \bullet N)) + (ID_{red1} \times R_{red} \times (L_1' \bullet N)) + ..., 1)$  where  $ID_{red0}$  and  $L_0'$  are the red intensity and the reversed unit-direction vector, respectively, for spotlight 0. Listing 54.2 shows the X-Sharp module DRAWPOBJ.C, which performs ambient and diffuse shading. Toward the end, you will find the code that performs shading exactly as described by the above equation, first calculating the ambient red, green, and blue shadings, then summing that with the diffuse red, green, and blue shadings generated by each directed light source.

#### LISTING 54.2 DRAWPOBJ.C

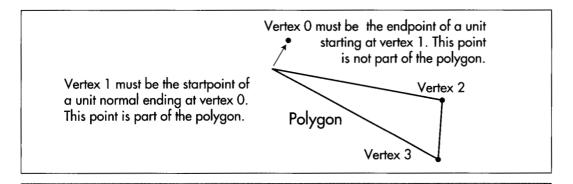
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/* Draws all visible faces in the specified polygon-based object. The object
   must have previously been transformed and projected, so that all vertex
   arrays are filled in. Ambient and diffuse shading are supported. */
#include "polygon.h"
void DrawPObject(PObject * ObjectToXform)
   int i, j, NumFaces = ObjectToXform->NumFaces, NumVertices;
   int * VertNumsPtr, Spot;
   Face * FacePtr = ObjectToXform->FaceList;
   Point * ScreenPoints = ObjectToXform->ScreenVertexList;
   PointListHeader Polygon;
   Fixedpoint Diffusion;
   ModelColor ColorTemp:
   ModelIntensity IntensityTemp;
   Point3 UnitNormal, *NormalStartpoint, *NormalEndpoint;
   long v1, v2, w1, w2;
   Point Vertices[MAX_POLY_LENGTH];
   /* Draw each visible face (polygon) of the object in turn */
   for (i=0; i<NumFaces; i++, FacePtr++) {
      /* Remember where we can find the start and end of the polygon's
        unit normal in view space, and skip over the unit normal endpoint
         entry. The end and start points of the unit normal to the polygon
        must be the first and second entries in the polgyon's vertex list.
         Note that the second point is also an active polygon vertex */
     VertNumsPtr = FacePtr->VertNums;
     NormalEndpoint = &ObjectToXform->XformedVertexList[*VertNumsPtr++];
     NormalStartpoint = &ObjectToXform->XformedVertexList[*VertNumsPtr];
     /* Copy over the face's vertices from the vertex list */
     NumVertices = FacePtr->NumVerts;
     for (j=0; j<NumVertices; j++)
        Vertices[j] = ScreenPoints[*VertNumsPtr++];
     /* Draw only if outside face showing (if the normal to the polygon
        in screen coordinates points toward the viewer; that is, has a
        positive Z component) */
     v1 = Vertices[1].X - Vertices[0].X;
     w1 = Vertices[NumVertices-1].X - Vertices[0].X;
     v2 = Vertices[1].Y - Vertices[0].Y;
     w2 = Vertices[NumVertices-1].Y - Vertices[0].Y;
     if ((v1*w2 - v2*w1) > 0) {
         /* It is facing the screen, so draw */
```

```
/* Appropriately adjust the extent of the rectangle used to
   erase this object later */
for (j=0; j<NumVertices; j++) {
  if (Vertices[j].X >
         ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Right)
      if (Vertices[j].X < SCREEN_WIDTH)</pre>
         ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Right =
               Vertices[j].X;
      else ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Right =
            SCREEN_WIDTH:
   if (Vertices[j].Y >
         ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Bottom)
      if (Vertices[j].Y < SCREEN_HEIGHT)</pre>
         ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Bottom -
               Vertices[j].Y;
      else ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Bottom-
            SCREEN_HEIGHT;
   if (Vertices[j].X <
         ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Left)
      if (Vertices[j].X > 0)
         ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Left =
               Vertices[j].X;
      else ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Left=0;
   if (Vertices[j].Y <
         ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Top)
      if (Vertices[j].Y > 0)
         ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Top =
               Vertices[j].Y;
      else ObjectToXform->EraseRect[NonDisplayedPage].Top=0;
/* See if there's any shading */
   if (FacePtr->ShadingType -- 0) {
   /* No shading in effect, so just draw */
   DRAW_POLYGON(Vertices, NumVertices, FacePtr->ColorIndex, 0, 0);
} else {
   /* Handle shading */
   /* Do ambient shading, if enabled */
   if (AmbientOn && (FacePtr->ShadingType & AMBIENT_SHADING)) {
      /* Use the ambient shading component */
      IntensityTemp = AmbientIntensity;
   } else {
      SET_INTENSITY(IntensityTemp, 0, 0, 0);
   /* Do diffuse shading, if enabled */
   if (FacePtr->ShadingType & DIFFUSE_SHADING) {
      /* Calculate the unit normal for this polygon, for use in dot
         products */
      UnitNormal.X = NormalEndpoint->X - NormalStartpoint->X;
      UnitNormal.Y = NormalEndpoint->Y - NormalStartpoint->Y;
      UnitNormal.2 = NormalEndpoint->Z - NormalStartpoint->Z;
      /* Calculate the diffuse shading component for each active
         spotlight */
      for (Spot=0; Spot<MAX_SPOTS; Spot++) {
         if (SpotOn[Spot] != 0) {
            /* Spot is on, so sum, for each color component, the
               intensity, accounting for the angle of the light rays
               relative to the orientation of the polygon */
            /* Calculate cosine of angle between the light and the
               polygon normal; skip if spot is shining from behind
               the polygon */
```

```
if ((Diffusion - DOT_PRODUCT(SpotDirectionView[Spot],
                         UnitNormal)) > 0) {
                      IntensityTemp.Red +=
                            FixedMul(SpotIntensity[Spot].Red, Diffusion);
                      IntensityTemp.Green +-
                            FixedMul(SpotIntensity[Spot].Green, Diffusion);
                      IntensityTemp.Blue +=
                            FixedMul(SpotIntensity[Spot].Blue, Diffusion);
                }
            }
          /* Convert the drawing color to the desired fraction of the
            brightest possible color */
          IntensityAdjustColor(&ColorTemp, &FacePtr->FullColor,
               &IntensityTemp);
          /* Draw with the cumulative shading, converting from the general
            color representation to the best-match color index */
         DRAW_POLYGON(Vertices, NumVertices,
               ModelColorToColorIndex(&ColorTemp), 0, 0);
      }
   }
}
```

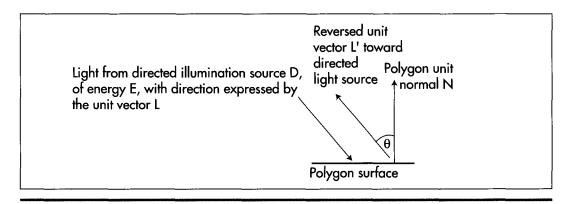
#### Shading: Implementation Details

In order to calculate the cosine of the angle between an incoming light source and a polygon's unit normal, we must first have the polygon's unit normal. This could be calculated by generating a cross-product on two polygon edges to generate a normal, then calculating the normal's length and scaling to produce a unit normal. Unfortunately, that would require taking a square root, so it's not a desirable course of action. Instead, I've made a change to X-Sharp's polygon format. Now, the first vertex in a shaded polygon's vertex list is the end-point of a unit normal that starts at the second point in the polygon's vertex list, as shown in Figure 54.3. The first point isn't one of the polygon's vertices, but is used only to generate a unit normal. The



The unit normal in the polygon data structure.

Figure 54.3



The reversed light source vector.

#### Figure 54.4

second point, however, is a polygon vertex. Calculating the difference vector between the first and second points yields the polygon's unit normal. Adding a unit-normal endpoint to each polygon isn't free; each of those end-points has to be transformed, along with the rest of the vertices, and that takes time. Still, it's faster than calculating a unit normal for each polygon from scratch.

We also need a unit vector for each directed light source. The directed light sources I've implemented in X-Sharp are spotlights; that is, they're considered to be point light sources that are infinitely far away. This allows the simplifying assumption that all light rays from a spotlight are parallel and of equal intensity throughout the displayed universe, so each spotlight can be represented with a single unit vector and a single intensity. The only trick is that in order to calculate the desired cos(theta) between the polygon unit normal and a spotlight's unit vector, the direction of the spotlight's unit vector must be reversed, as shown in Figure 54.4. This is necessary because the dot product implicitly places vectors with their start points at the same location when it's used to calculate the cosine of the angle between two vectors. The light vector is incoming to the polygon surface, and the unit normal is outbound, so only by reversing one vector or the other will we get the cosine of the desired angle. Given the two unit vectors, it's a piece of cake to calculate intensities, as shown in Listing 54.2. The sample program DEMO1, in the X-Sharp archive on the listings disk (built by running K1.BAT), puts the shading code to work displaying a rotating ball with ambient lighting and three spot lighting sources that the user can turn on and off. What you'll see when you run DEMO1 is that the shading is very good—face colors change very smoothly indeed—so long as only green lighting sources are on. However, if you combine spotlight two, which is blue, with any other light source, polygon colors will start to shift abruptly and unevenly. As configured in the demo, the palette supports a wide range of shading intensities for a pure version of any one of the three primary colors, but a very limited number of intensity steps (four, in this

case) for each color component when two or more primary colors are mixed. While this situation can be improved, it is fundamentally a result of the restricted capabilities of the 256-color palette, and there is only so much that can be done without a larger color set. In the next chapter, I'll talk about some ways to improve the quality of 256-color shading.