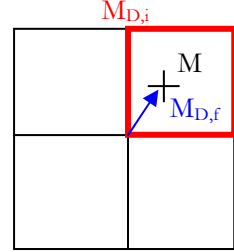


## Appendix

We include here the details on how we remove the *frac* instruction from the tree lookup.

A complete tree would produce at depth  $D$  a 3D grid of resolution  $N^D \times N^D \times N^D$ . We call this grid the *depth  $D$  grid*. At depth  $D$ , the point  $M$  lies in a cell of this grid. The integer coordinates of this cell are  $M_{D,i} = \text{floor}(M \cdot N^D)$ . The local coordinate of  $M$  within this cell are  $M_{D,f} = \text{frac}(M \cdot N^D)$ .



It follows  $M = \frac{M_{D,i} + M_{D,f}}{N^D}$

The lookup coordinates within the indirection pool are computed as

$$P = \frac{I_D + M_{D,f}}{S} = \frac{I_D + \text{frac}(M \cdot N^D)}{S}$$

Using the fact that  $M = \frac{M_{D,i} + M_{D,f}}{N^D}$  we can rewrite  $P$  as  $P = \frac{I_D + M \cdot N^D - M_{D,i}}{S}$

Note that  $M_{D,i}$  is a constant within the node visited at depth  $D$ . It corresponds to the coordinates of the node within the grid of depth  $D$ . We call these coordinates  $G_D$ .

We rewrite  $G_D$  as  $G_D = kS + Q$ , where  $k$  is an integer and  $Q < S$ .

We now obtain  $P = \frac{M \cdot N^D + I_D - Q - kS}{S} = \frac{M \cdot N^D + I_D - Q}{S} - k$  (1)

We define  $\Delta_D = I_D - Q$

If we bind the indirection pool texture in repeat mode (GL\_REPEAT), we can add any integer to  $P$  without changing the result. Therefore the term  $-k$  in equation (1) can be ignored.

Finally, we have  $P = \frac{M \cdot N^D + \Delta_D}{S}$  (2)

Instead of directly storing the node indices  $I_D$  we actually store  $\Delta_D$  and use equation (2).

This removes the *frac* operation. However, storing  $\Delta_D$  could be a problem if it can take arbitrary large integer values. Fortunately, since  $I_D < S$  and  $Q < S$ , it comes  $-S < \Delta_D < S$ . Moreover, if  $\Delta_D$  is less than 0, we can use  $S + \Delta_D$  instead without changing the result of the lookup (once again thanks to the repeat mode). Therefore we only have to store values in the range  $[0, S[$ .