

Computer Graphics



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Exercise Sheet 4

Assignment 4.1 Ray Tracing Fundamentals

[2 Points]

- a) Explain the different kinds of rays: primary ray, secondary ray, shadow ray, reflection ray, and transmission ray. [1.5 Points]
- b) Why is global illumination a recursive problem? How can a stopping criterion be derived from reflection/transmission coefficients? [0.5 Points]

Assignment 4.2 Analytic Geometry

[4 Points]

To generate an image with ray tracing, we need so-called view rays. Assume the view ray $\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{e} + t\mathbf{d}$, with camera position $\mathbf{e} = (0, 0, 1)^T$, and view direction $\mathbf{d} = (1, 1, 0)^T$.

- a) Calculate the intersection points between the view ray and a (opaque) sphere with radius r=3 and center M=(5,5,2). Which one of the two intersections is closer to the camera and therefore visible to the observer? [2 Points]
- b) Calculate the intersection between the view ray and the triangle with vertices A = (6,0,0), B = (0,6,0), and C = (0,0,6). First, calculate the intersection between the view ray and the plane that is spanned by A,B, and C. Afterwards, decide whether this intersection is located within the triangle. [2 Points]

Assignment 4.3 Ray Tracing

[4 Points]

For this exercise, you should extend the code skeleton of a simple ray tracer, provided via Moodle. The ray tracer is already compiling, but only displaying a black image ("image.bmp"). Implement the intersection for rays with spheres in the methods

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Raytracer::Objects::Sphere::HitTest() and
Raytracer::Objects::Sphere::GetIntersection().
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The source code located in src/Raytracer/Objects/Sphere.cpp. Hint: A correct solution should look like the image shown below, since this only uses ambient lighting. This framework will be extended in a later exercise.



Submission: November 19, 2019, 14:15 CEST, via Moodle