



《计算机图形学》课程

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Interpolation Across Triangles: Barycentric Coordinates

(重心坐标)



Interpolation Across Triangles

Why do we want to interpolate?

- Specify values **at vertices**
- Obtain smoothly varying values **across triangles**

What do we want to interpolate?

- Texture coordinates, colors, normal vectors, ...

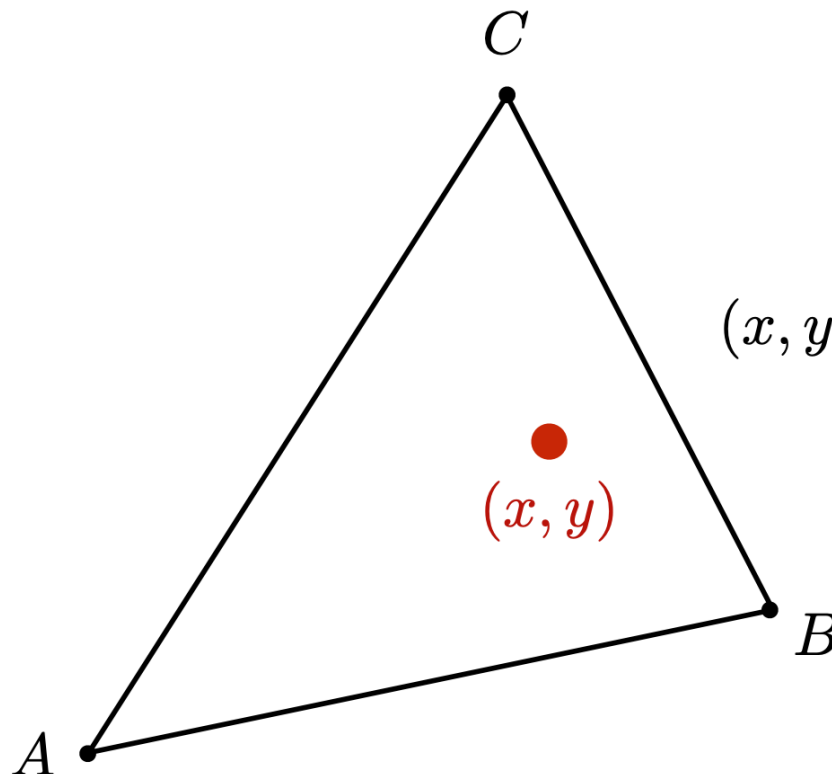
How do we interpolate?

- **Barycentric coordinates**



Barycentric Coordinates

A coordinate system for triangles (α, β, γ)



$$(x, y) = \alpha A + \beta B + \gamma C$$

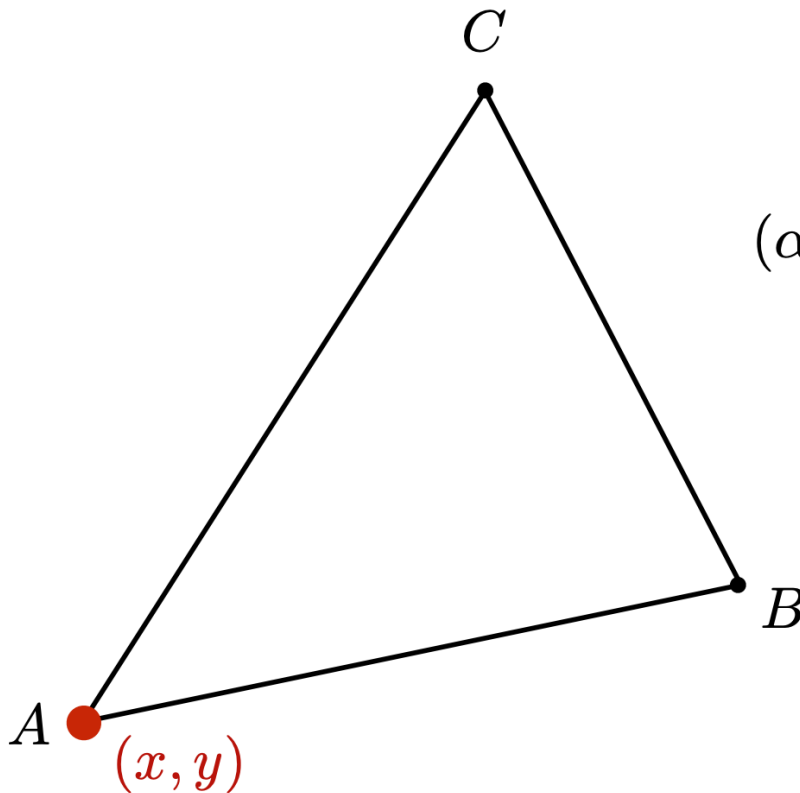
$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$$

**Inside the triangle if
all three coordinates
are non-negative**



Barycentric Coordinates

What's the barycentric coordinate of A?



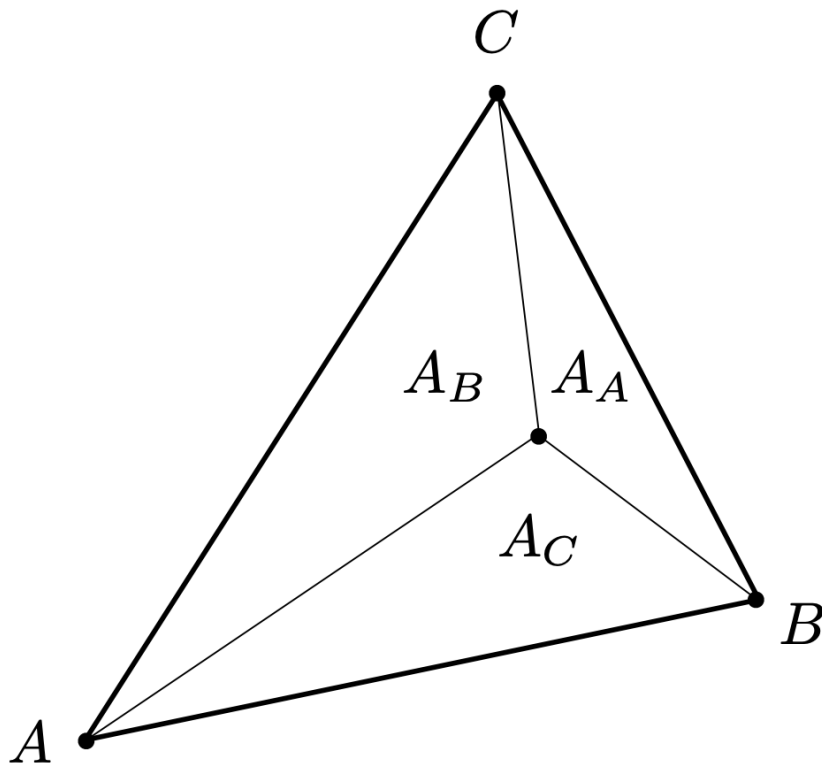
$$(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (1, 0, 0)$$

$$\begin{aligned}(x, y) &= \alpha A + \beta B + \gamma C \\ &= A\end{aligned}$$



Barycentric Coordinates

Geometric viewpoint — proportional areas



$$\alpha = \frac{A_A}{A_A + A_B + A_C}$$

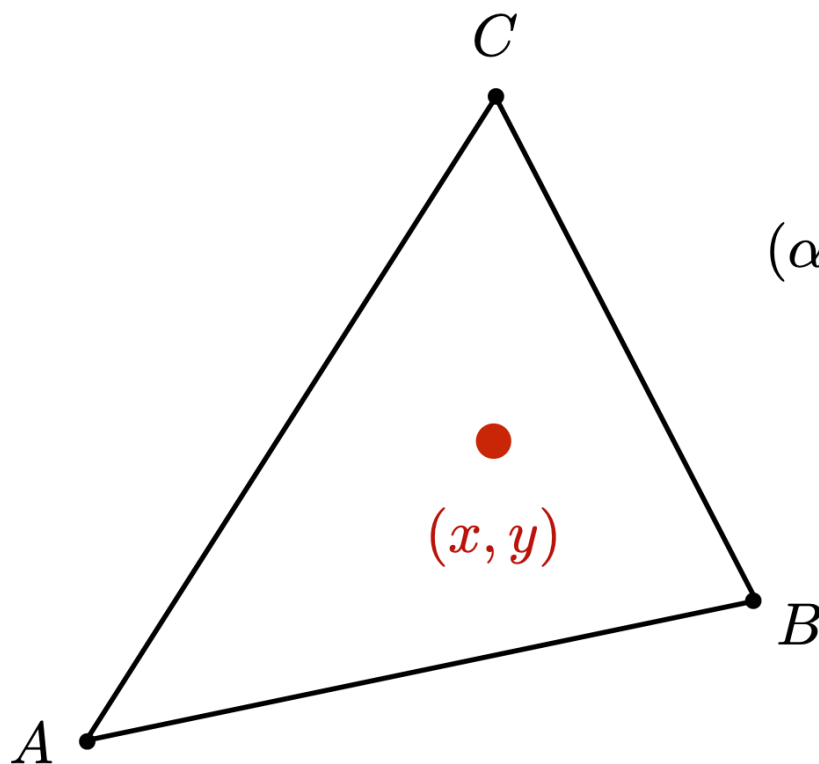
$$\beta = \frac{A_B}{A_A + A_B + A_C}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{A_C}{A_A + A_B + A_C}$$



Barycentric Coordinates

What's the barycentric coordinate of the centroid?

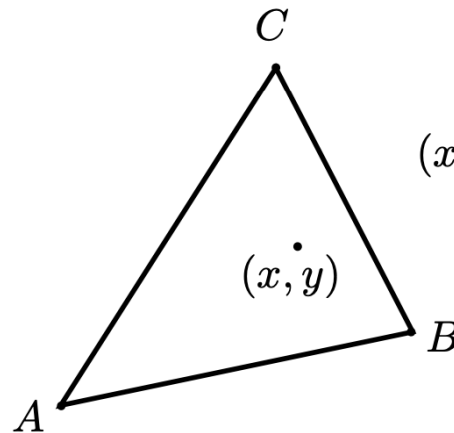


$$(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$(x, y) = \frac{1}{3} A + \frac{1}{3} B + \frac{1}{3} C$$



Barycentric Coordinates: Formulas



$$(x, y) = \alpha A + \beta B + \gamma C$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$$

$$\alpha = \frac{-(x - x_B)(y_C - y_B) + (y - y_B)(x_C - x_B)}{-(x_A - x_B)(y_C - y_B) + (y_A - y_B)(x_C - x_B)}$$

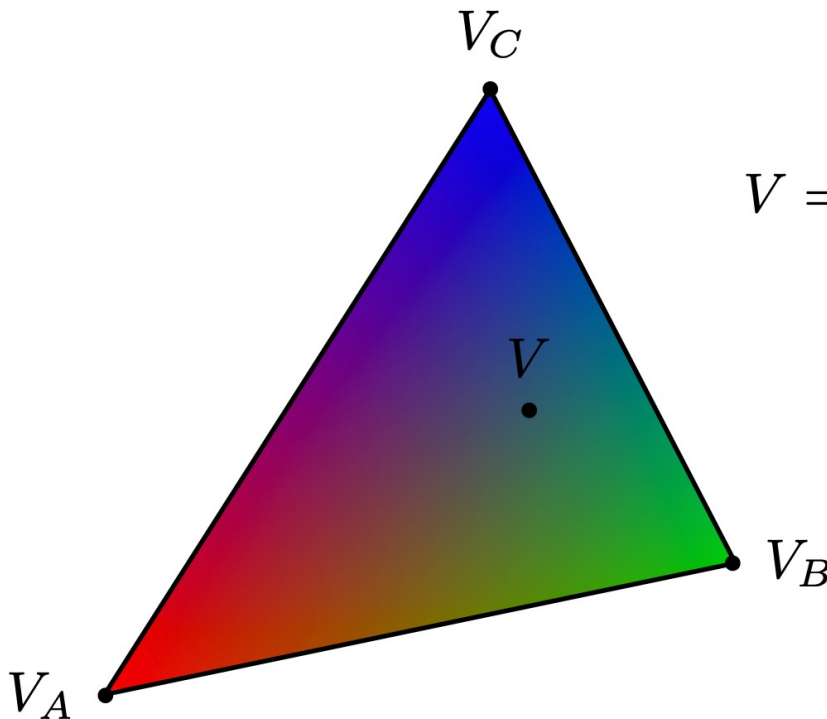
$$\beta = \frac{-(x - x_C)(y_A - y_C) + (y - y_C)(x_A - x_C)}{-(x_B - x_C)(y_A - y_C) + (y_B - y_C)(x_A - x_C)}$$

$$\gamma = 1 - \alpha - \beta$$



Using Barycentric Coordinates

Linearly interpolate values at vertices



$$V = \alpha V_A + \beta V_B + \gamma V_C$$

V_A, V_B, V_C can be
positions, texture
coordinates, color,
normal, depth,
material attributes...

However, barycentric coordinates are not invariant under projection!

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感谢大家的倾听！

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