Polygon Functions for Octave & MATLAB

A mex interface to the Clipper library by Angus Johnson http://www.angusj.com/delphi/clipper.php, and mex functions for fast calculation of polygon orientation and for testing if a point is inside a polygon.

Polygon clipping:

[pc,hc] = polybool(pa, pb, 'op', ha, hb, ug);

where 'op' can be 'and' (intersection), 'or' (union), 'notb' or 'diff' (difference), and 'xor'. pa, pb, and pc are cell arrays with nx2 matrices containing polygon vertices (one vertex per row). ha, hb, hc are logical arrays with hole flags. If ha(k) > 0, then $pa\{k\}$ is an interior polygon belonging to a polygon with one or more holes. The clipping operation is performed on an integer grid. The polygon data are multiplied with the scale factor 'ug' prior to the clipping operation and the resulting polygons are scaled by 1/ug.

Polygon orientation:

cw = iscw(pa);

Make polygons oriented clockwise:

P = polycw(pa);

where P and pa are cell arrays of polygons.

Check if points are inside a polygon:

inp = isinpolygon(polygon, xy);

where 'polygon' is a n \times 2 array of polygon vertices and 'xy' an n \times 2 array of points. 'inp' is a logical arrray.

Compilation:

The mex functions must be compiled before they can used.

On MATLAB or on Octave/Windows type the command

makemex

at the MATLAB prompt (the polybool directory must be the current directory). For Octave on Linux compile the mex functions by running

./makemex-octave

at a shell prompt.

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