

Ray Tracing

Rendering

Issues

- Visibility

What objects or parts in the scene are visible?

Clipping (with respect to the view frustum)

Done

Occlusion (with respect to the objects in the scene)

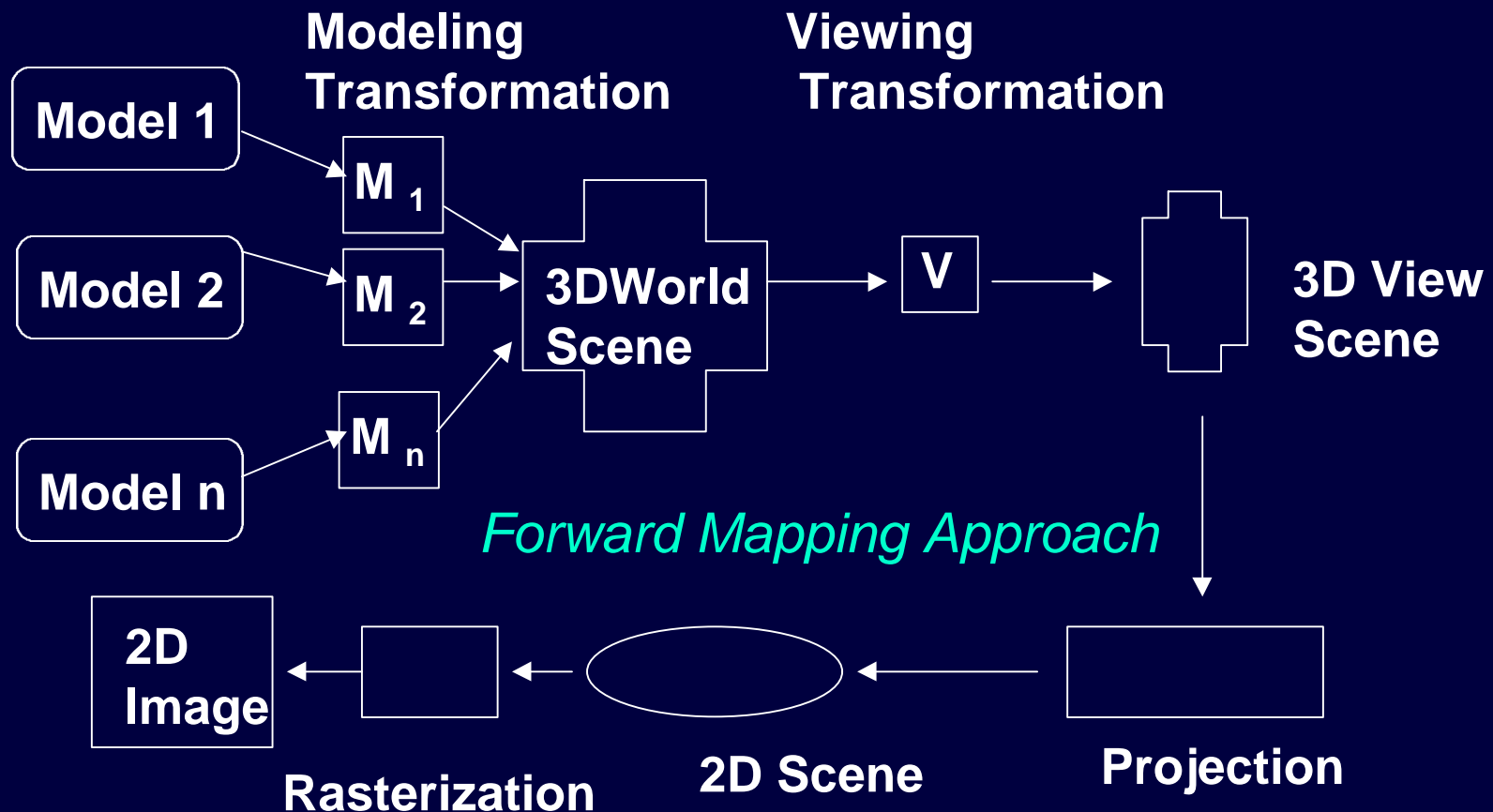
Hidden surface elimination

- Illumination

Reflection, Refraction, Transparency, Shadows,
etc.

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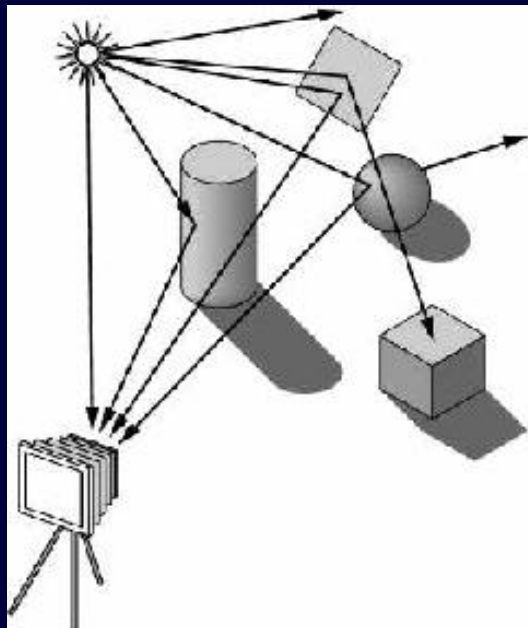
Rendering Pipeline (Revisit)



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Forward Ray Tracing

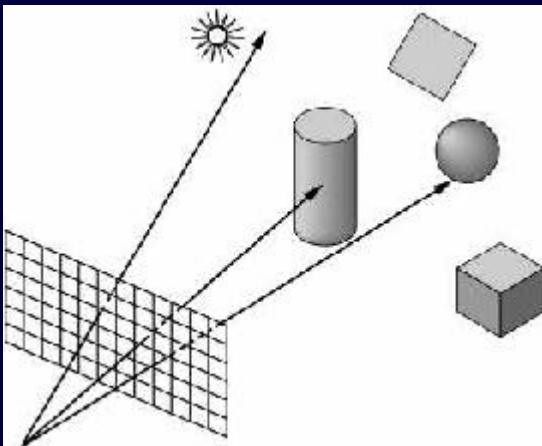
Modeling interaction of light with the objects/surfaces



Problem:
Many rays will not contribute
to the image!

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Backward Ray Tracing



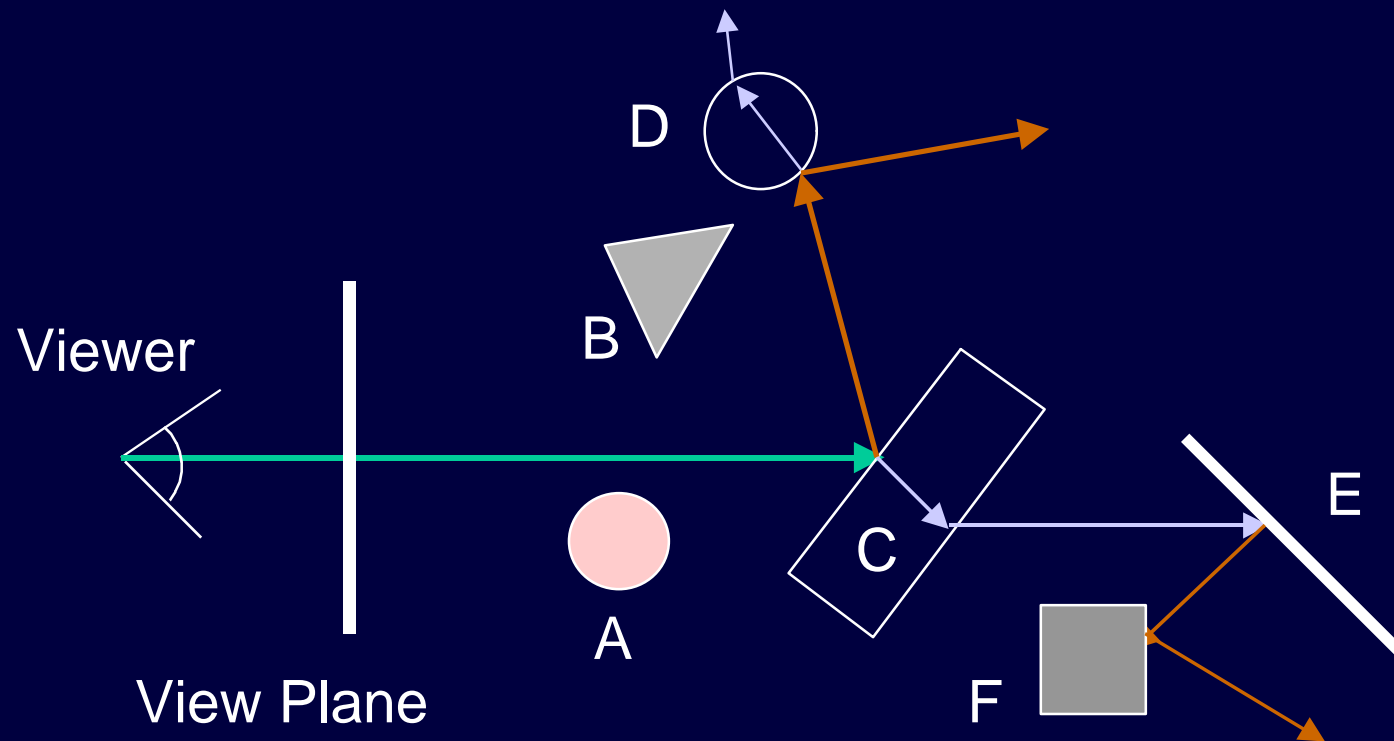
Rays from camera (viewer)
through each pixel to the scene

Backward Ray Tracing = Ray Tracing

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Backward Ray Tracing

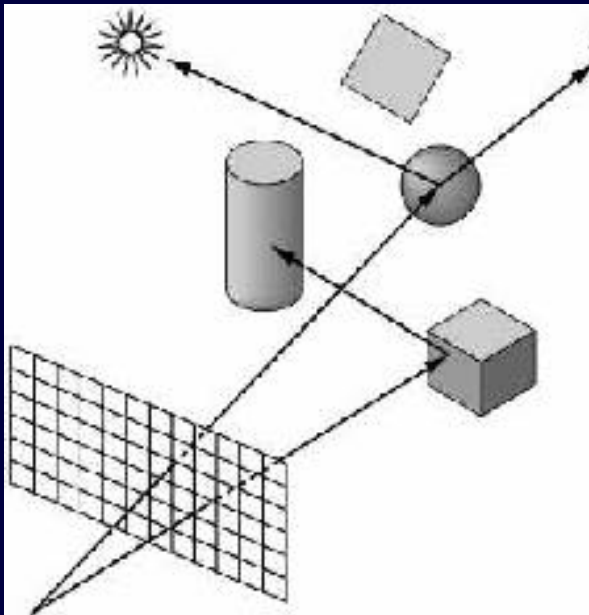
Primary and Secondary Rays



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Backward Ray Tracing

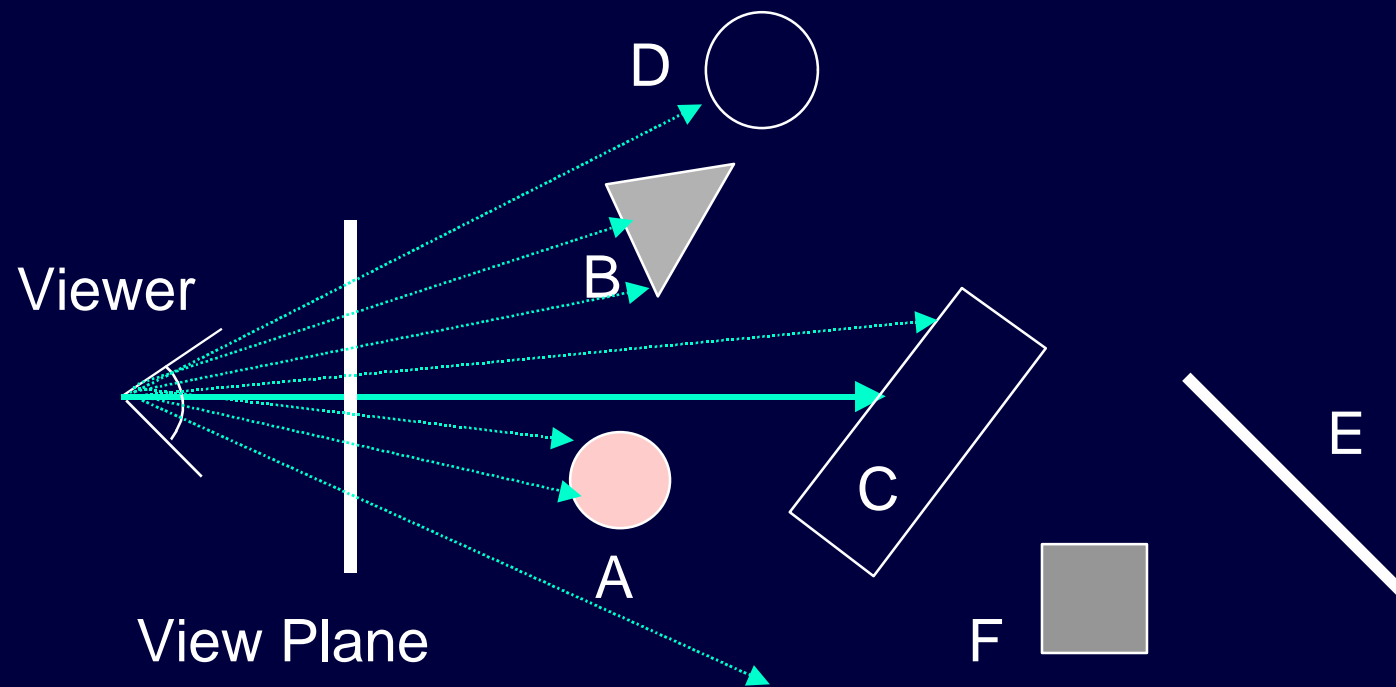
Shadow Rays



Visibility check with respect to the light source

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Ray Casting



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Two Issues

Ray-object intersection

Visibility test: Closest to the viewer

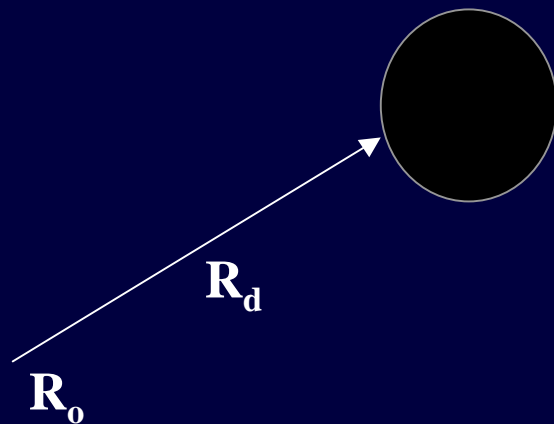
Pixel color determination (shading)

Illumination model

Ray Tracing

Ray Object Intersection

Sphere



$$R_o = [X_o \ Y_o \ Z_o]$$

(Ray Origin)

$$R_d = [X_d \ Y_d \ Z_d]$$

(Ray Direction)

$$X_d^2 + Y_d^2 + Z_d^2 = 1$$

Parametric Form

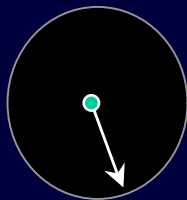
$$R(t) = R_o + R_d t \quad t > 0$$

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Ray Object Intersection

Sphere

Implicit Form



Center $S_c = [X_c \ Y_c \ Z_c]$

Radius S_r

Surface Point $[X_s \ Y_s \ Z_s]$

$$(X_s - X_c)^2 + (Y_s - Y_c)^2 + (Z_s - Z_c)^2 = S_r^2$$

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Ray Object Intersection

Sphere

To solve the intersection problem the ray equation is substituted into the sphere equation and the result is solved for t

That is

$$(X_o + X_d t - X_c)^2 + (Y_o + Y_d t - Y_c)^2 + (Z_o + Z_d t - Z_c)^2 = S_r^2$$

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Ray Object Intersection

Sphere

$$At^2 + Bt + C = 0$$

where

$$A = X_d^2 + Y_d^2 + Z_d^2 = 1$$

$$B = 2(X_d(X_o - X_c) + Y_d(Y_o - Y_c) + Z_d(Z_o - Z_c))$$

$$C = (X_o - X_c)^2 + (Y_o - Y_c)^2 + (Z_o - Z_c)^2 - S_r^2$$

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Ray Object Intersection

Sphere

$$At^2 + Bt + C = 0$$

$$t_0 = \frac{-B - \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A}$$

$$t_1 = \frac{-B + \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A}$$

Smaller positive among t_0 and t_1 gives the closest intersection point

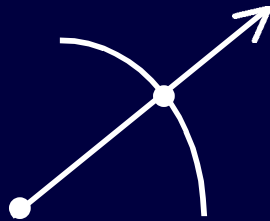
$$[X_i \ Y_i \ Z_i] = [X_o + X_d t, \ Y_o + Y_d t, \ Z_o + Z_d t]$$

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Ray Object Intersection

Sphere

Normal



$$n = \left[\frac{(X_i - X_c)}{S_r}, \frac{(Y_i - Y_c)}{S_r}, \frac{(Z_i - Z_c)}{S_r} \right]$$

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Ray Sphere Intersection

Sum up

- Calculate A B C

- Compute the discriminant

- Calculate min (t_0 , t_1)

- Compute the intersection point

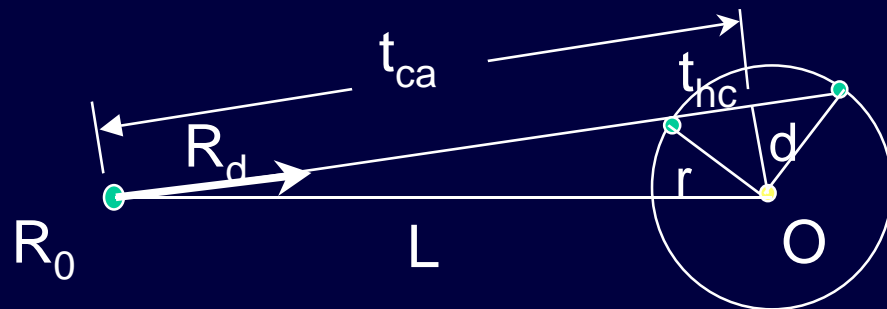
- Compute the normal

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Ray Object Intersection

Sphere

Geometric Approach

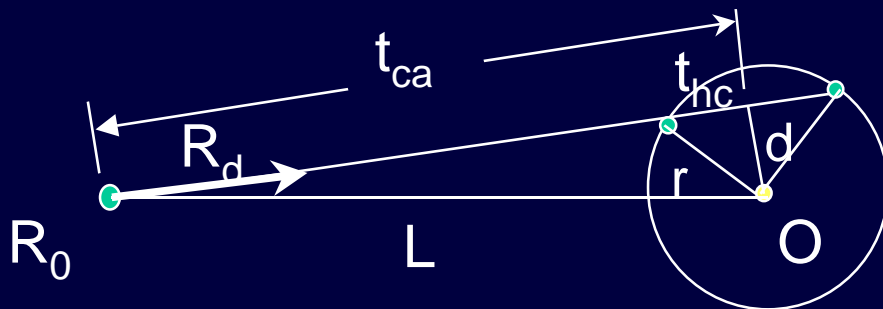


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Ray Object Intersection

Sphere

Geometric Approach



$$L = O - R_0$$

$$t_{ca} = L^T R_d$$

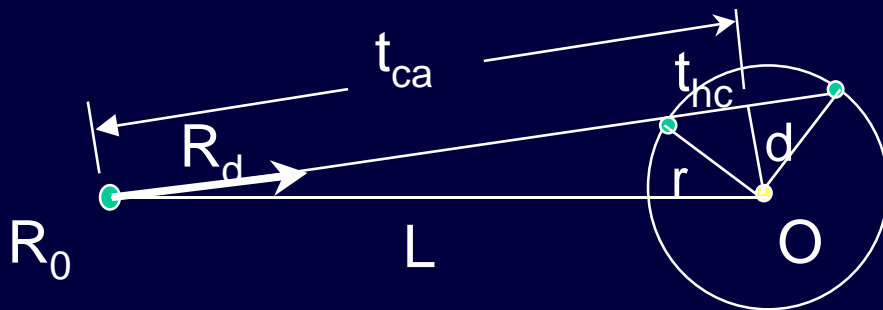
$$t_{ca} < 0 \text{ no intersection}$$

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Ray Object Intersection

Sphere

Geometric Approach



$$L = O - R_0$$

$$t_{ca} = L^T R_d$$

$t_{ca} < 0$ no intersection

$$d = L^T L - t_{ca}^2$$

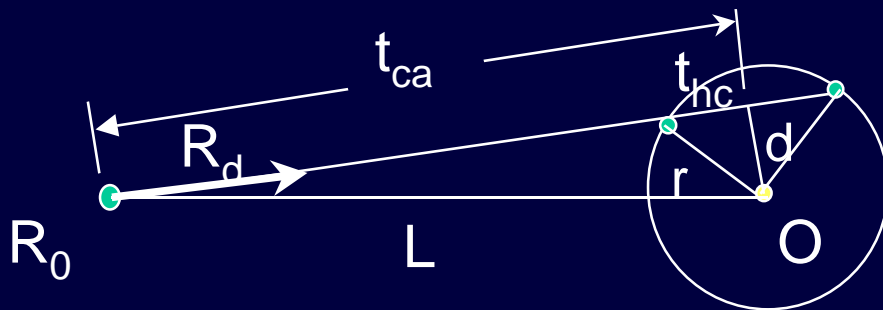
if $d > r$ no intersection

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Geometric Approach



$$t_{hc} = \sqrt{r^2 - d^2}$$
$$t = t_{ca} - t_{hc} \text{ and } t_{ca} + t_{hc}$$

smaller t

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Ray Plane Intersection

Ray

$$\begin{aligned} R_o &= [X_o \ Y_o \ Z_o] && \text{(ray origin)} \\ R_d &= [X_d \ Y_d \ Z_d] && \text{(ray direction)} \\ X_d^2 + Y_d^2 + Z_d^2 &= 1 && \text{(normalized)} \\ R(t) &= R_o + R_d t && t > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Plane

$$\begin{aligned} P &: Ax + By + Cz + D = 0 \\ A^2 + B^2 + C^2 &= 1 \\ P_{\text{normal}} &= P_n = [A \ B \ C] \\ D &: \text{Distance from origin} \end{aligned}$$

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Ray Plane Intersection

Substituting ray equation in plane's equation

$$A (X_o + X_d t) + B (Y_o + Y_d t) + C (Z_o + Z_d t) + D = 0$$

Solving for t

$$t = - \frac{AX_o + BY_o + CZ_o + D}{AX_d + BY_d + CZ_d}$$
$$t = - \frac{P_n \cdot R_o + D}{P_n \cdot R_d}$$

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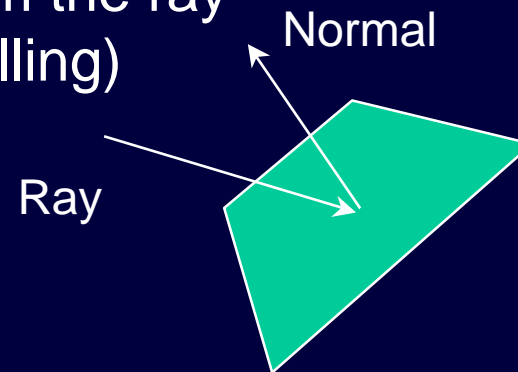
Ray Plane Intersection

Let

$$V_d = P_n \cdot R_d = AX_d + BY_d + CZ_d$$

If $V_d = 0$ then the ray is parallel to the plane
(no intersection)

$V_d > 0$ normal is pointing away from the ray
(may be used for back-face culling)



Ray Tracing

Ray Plane Intersection

Let

$$V_0 = -(P_n \cdot R_0 + D) = (AX_0 + BY_0 + CZ_0 + D)$$

$$t = \frac{V_0}{V_d}$$

If $t < 0$ then plane is behind ray's origin
else compute intersection

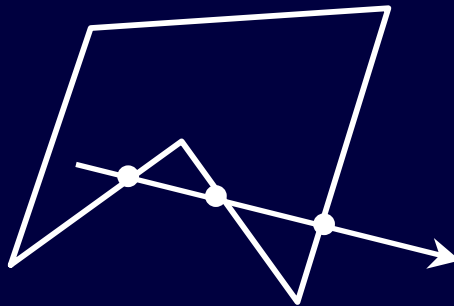
$$r_i = [X_i \ Y_i \ Z_i] = [X_0 + X_d t, Y_0 + Y_d t, Z_0 + Z_d t]$$

$$r_{\text{normal}} = P_n$$

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Polygon Intersection

Containment Test



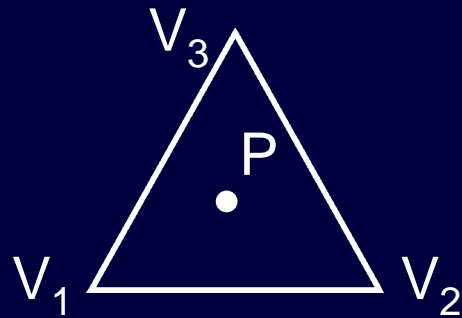
Parity Test: If the number of intersection is odd then point is inside (special case for vertices)

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Triangle Intersection

Containment Test

Triangle: Barycentric Coordinates



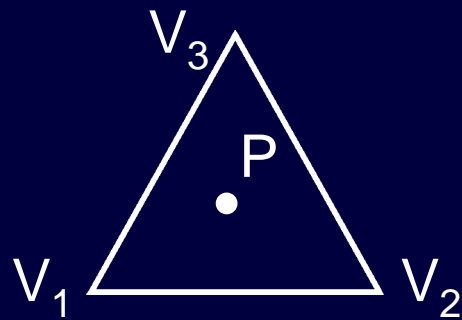
$$P = uV_1 + vV_2 + wV_3$$

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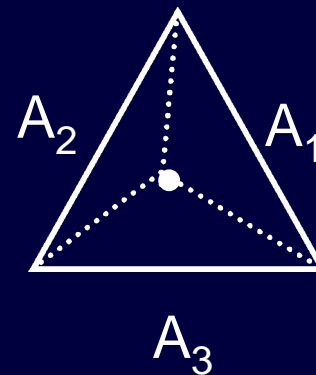
Triangle Intersection

Containment Test

Triangle: Barycentric Coordinates



$$P = uV_1 + vV_2 + wV_3$$



Total A

Area Coordinates

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Triangle Intersection

Containment Test

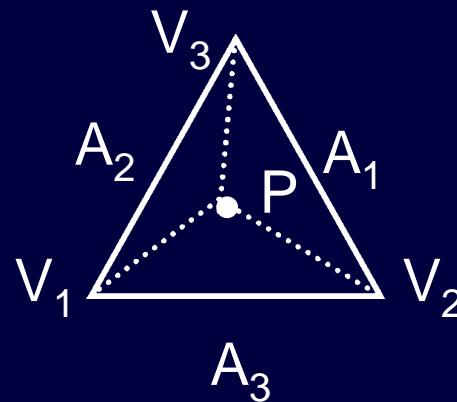
Triangle: Barycentric Coordinates

$$u = \frac{A_1}{A}, v = \frac{A_2}{A}, w = \frac{A_3}{A}$$

$$u + v + w = 1$$

$$u \geq 0, v \geq 0, w \geq 0$$

$$P = uV_1 + vV_2 + wV_3$$



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Ray Quadric Intersection

Quadrics:

Cylinders, Cone, Sphere, Ellipsoids,
Paraboloids, Hyperboloids, etc.

Implicit form $f(X,Y,Z) = 0$

$$Ax^2 + 2Bxy + 2Cxz + 2Dx + Ey^2 + 2Fyz + 2Gy + Hz^2 + 2Iz + J = 0$$

Ray: *Parametric form*

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Ray Quadric Intersection

Matrix Form

$$f(X,Y,Z) = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X & Y & Z & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A & B & C & D \\ B & E & F & G \\ C & F & H & I \\ D & G & I & J \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

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Ray Quadric Intersection

Substituting

$$A_q t^2 + B_q t + C_q = 0$$

If $A_q \neq 0$

$$t_0 = \frac{-B_q - \sqrt{B_q^2 - 4A_q C_q}}{2A_q}$$

$$t_1 = \frac{-B_q + \sqrt{B_q^2 - 4A_q C_q}}{2A_q}$$

If $A_q = 0$

$$t = -\frac{C_q}{B_q}$$

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Ray Quadric Intersection

Normal

$$n = \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial X_i}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial Y_i}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial Z_i} \right]$$

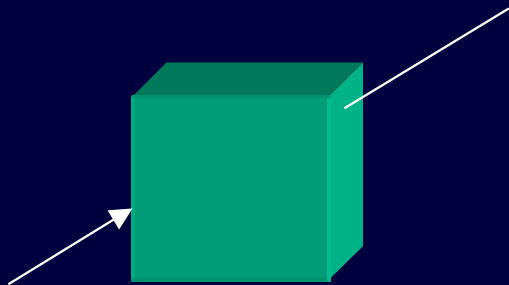
$$n_x = 2(AX_i + BY_i + CZ_i + D)$$

$$n_y = 2(BX_i + EY_i + FZ_i + G)$$

$$n_z = 2(CX_i + FY_i + HZ_i + I)$$

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Ray Box Intersection



3D Clipping: Cyrus Beck/Liang Barsky

