Sampling

Antialiasing: Removing frequencies above the Nyquist frequency (2 times the highest frequency) before sampling. Done by filtering before sampling.

Line equation: L(x,y) = Ax + By + C. On line: L(x,y) = 0, on right: L(x,y) > 0, on left: L(x,y) < 0. A point is inside a convex polygon if line tests for all lines (going clockwise) is greater than 0.

Fourier transform:
$$F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-2\pi i\omega x} dx$$

Inverse transform: $f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega)e^{2\pi i\omega x} d\omega$

Euler's formula: $e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$

Transforms

Homogeneous coordinates: Points are defined as (x, y, 1) and vectors by (x, y, 0). Points and vectors don't reside on the same xy plane.

Affine transformations: Consist of linear map and a translation.

Camera transformations: Given eye point e, up vector u, view direction v, where u and v are orthonormal, find right vector $r = v \times u$. Transform camera (e, r, u, v) to standard camera located at the origin, looking down the negative z-axis, where the up vector is the y-axis.

Transform Order

- Object coordinates: Apply modeling transforms
- World (scene) coordinates: Apply viewing transform
- Camera (eye) coordinates: Apply perspective transform and homogeneous division
- Normalized device coordinates: Apply 2D screen transform
- Screen coordinates: Rasterization

Basic Transformations

Scaling Translation
$$\begin{bmatrix} s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 Rotation Shear

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Coordinate System Transform

Frame-to-world transformation converts frame axes to world axes centered at origin with x mapped to u and y mapped to v.

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} & \mathbf{v} & \mathbf{o} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} u_x & v_x & o_x \\ u_y & v_y & o_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotation by angle α around axis n:

$$\cos(\alpha)\mathbf{I} + (1 - \cos(\alpha))nn^{T} + \sin(\alpha) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & n_{z} & -n_{y} \\ -n_{z} & 0 & n_{x} \\ n_{y} & -n_{x} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hierarchical Transform

Projective Transform

Project some point in the scene $(x, y, z)^T$ to a point on the image plane. If the center of projection is at $(0,0,0)^T$ and the image plane is at z = d, then $(x, y, z)^T \to (xd/z, yd/z, d)^T$. Requires division by z, so use homogeneous coordinates:

$$q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/d & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} xd/z \\ yd/z \\ d \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Perspective Projection

Parameterized by: fovy: vertical angular field of view, aspect: width/height of field of view, near: depth of near clipping plane, far: depth of far clipping plane

Derived quantities: $top = near \cdot tan(fovy)$, bottom = -top, $right = top \cdot aspect, left = -right$

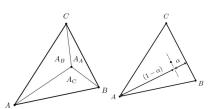
Convert from camera coordinates to normalized device coordinates (NDC) by mapping the view volume frustum into a cube, where $(left, bottom, -near) \rightarrow (-1, -1, -1)$ and $(right, top, -far) \rightarrow (1, 1, 1)$. Linear transformation in homogeneous coordinates.

Texture Mapping

Barvcentric Coordinates

Linearly interpolate values at vertices for a point in the triangle

$$(x,y) = \alpha A + \beta B + \gamma C$$
$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$$



$$\cos(\alpha)\mathbf{I} + (1-\cos(\alpha))nn^T + \sin(\alpha)\begin{bmatrix} 0 & n_z & -n_y \\ -n_z & 0 & n_x \\ n_y & -n_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \alpha = \frac{-(x-x_B)(y_C-y_B) + (y-y_B)(x_C-x_B)}{-(x_A-x_B)(y_C-y_B) + (y_A-y_B)(x_C-x_B)} \\ \beta = \frac{-(x-x_C)(y_A-y_C) + (y-y_C)(x_A-x_C)}{-(x_B-x_C)(y_A-y_C) + (y_B-y-C)(x_A-x_C)} \\ \gamma = 1 - \alpha - \beta \\ \alpha = \frac{A_A}{A_A + A_B + A_C} \qquad \beta = \frac{A_B}{A_A + A_B + A_C} \qquad \gamma = \frac{A_C}{A_A + A_B + A_C}$$

Texture Sampling

Affine screen-space interpolation doesn't work, because linear interpolation in world coordinates yields nonlinear interpolation in screen coordinates.

Magnification: Each pixel is a small part of the texel. Minification: each pixel includes many texels, leading to aliasing.

Mipmaps

Filter before sampling; use resolution that matches screen sampling rate. Estimate texture footprint using texture coordinates of neighboring screen samples, then use that to figure out which level of mipmap to use.

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{dv}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{dv}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{dv}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2$$

$$L = max \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{du}{dx}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dv}{dx}\right)^2}, \sqrt{\left(\frac{du}{dy}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dv}{dy}\right)^2} \right)$$

 $D = \log_2 L$

Anisotropic filtering: Mipmaps change depending on viewing angle. One way is to generate more mipmaps with variations on both x and y, instead of just taking the max of both.

Graphics Pipeline

Lambert's cosine law: Light per unit area is proportional to $\cos(\theta) = I \cdot n$, where θ is the angle between the normal and the light source and I is a vector from hit point to light source. Lambertian (Diffuse) shading: Shading independent of view direction. $L_d = k_d(I/r^2) max(0, n \cdot l)$

Specular shading: Close to mirror at the half-vector near normal. $h = bisector(v, l) = \frac{v+l}{\|v+l\|}$

$$L_s = k_s(I/r^2) \max(0, n \cdot h)^p$$

Ambient shading: doesn't depend on anything, adds constant color to account for disregarded illumination and fill in black shadows. Not physically accurate, since it's not based on any incoming radiance. $L_a = k_a I_a$

Intro to Geometry

Implicit geometry: Surface defined where f(x, y, z) = 0. Can test if point is inside or outside easily, but hard to sample (what points lie on the surface?) Description can be compact, good for ray-to-surface intersections. No sampling error, easy to handle changes in topology. Hard to model complex shapes. Explicit geometry: All points given directly,

 $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^3$; $(u, v) \to (x, y, z)$. Sampling easy, but hard to tell if point is inside/outside surface.

Topological validity: A 2D manifold is a surface that when cut with a sphere always yields a disk. Mesh manifolds always have the properties: edge connects two faces and two vertices, face consists of ring of edges and vertices, vertex consists of ring of edges and faces. F - E + V = 2 holds for a surface topologically equivalent to a sphere.

Loop subdivision: Split edges of original mesh in any order, then flip new edges that touch a new and old vertex.

Splines, Curves, and Surfaces

Cubic Polynomial Interpolation

$$P(t) = at^3 + bt^2 + ct + d$$
$$P'(t) = 3at^2 + 2bt + c$$

Hermite matrix:

$$P(t) = at^{3} + bt^{2} + ct + d$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} t^{3} & t^{2} & t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{0} \\ h_{1} \\ h_{2} \\ h_{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= H_{0}(t)h_{0} + H_{1}(t)h_{1} + H_{2}(t)h_{2} + H_{3}(t)h_{3}$$

$$H_{0}(t) = 2t^{3} - 3t^{2} + 1$$

$$H_{1}(t) = -2t^{3} + 3t^{2}$$

 $H_2(t) = t^3 - 2t^2 + t$

 $H_3(t) = t^3 - t^2$

Bezier Curves

$$B_i^n(t) = \binom{n}{i} t^i (1-t)^{n-i}$$

$$\begin{split} P(t) &= \sum_{i=0}^{3} P_{i} B_{i}(t) \\ &= (1-t)^{3} P_{0} + 3t(1-t)^{2} P_{1} + 3t^{2}(1-t) P_{2} + t^{3} P_{3} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} (1-t)^{3} & 3t(1-t) & 3t^{2}(1-t) & t^{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_{0} \\ P_{1} \\ P_{2} \\ P_{3} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t & t^{2} & t^{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_{0} \\ P_{1} \\ P_{2} \\ P_{3} \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

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$$\begin{split} B(t) &= (1-t)((1-t)P_0 + tP_1) + t((1-t)P_1 + tP_2) \\ &= (1-t)^2 P_0 + 2t(1-t)P_1 + t^2 P_3 \\ &= \left[(1-t)^2 \quad 2t(1-t) \quad t^2 \right] \begin{bmatrix} P_0 \\ P_1 \\ P_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \quad t \quad t^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \\ -2 \quad 2 \quad 0 \\ 1 \quad -2 \quad 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_0 \\ P_1 \\ P_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ b_{i,j}^{r,r} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 - u \quad u \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{i,1,r-1}^{r-1,r-1} & b_{i,j+1}^{r-1,r-1} \\ b_{i+1,j}^{r-1,r-1} & b_{i+1,j+1}^{r-1,r-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - v \\ v \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

Geometry Processing

Catmull-Clark Vertex Update

$$f = \frac{v_1 + v_2 + v_3 + v_4}{4} \qquad e = \frac{v_1 + v_2 + f_1 + f_2}{4}$$

Accelerating Ray Tracing

Ray:
$$r(t)=o+td, 0\leq t<\infty$$

General implicit surface: $p:f(p)=0$
Substitute ray equation: $f(o+td)=0$
Sphere: $(p-c)^2-R^2=0$

$$t = \frac{(p-o) \cdot N}{d \cdot N} \to \frac{p_x - o_x}{d_x}$$

Radiometry and Photometry

Radiant Flux

Radiant Intensity: Power per unit solid angle emitted from a point light source.

Irradiance: Power per unit area (W/m^2) ., follows Lambert's cosine law, irradiance falloff follows inverse square law Radiance: Power per unit area per unit solid angle $(W/sr/m^2)$.

Monte Carlo Integration

$$F_N = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{f(x_i)}{p(x_i)}$$

Inversion method

Given P(x) = Pr(X < x), solve for $x = P^{-1}(\xi)$. Need to know the integral of the PDF p(x) for this to work. Example:

$$p_{\lambda}(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$

$$F(t) = P_{\lambda}(X \le t) = \int_{0}^{t} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

$$= 1 - e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$F^{-1}(\xi) = \frac{-\log(1 - \xi)}{\lambda}$$

Expectation and Variance

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{E}[X+c] &= \mathbf{E}[X] + c \\ \mathbf{E}[X+Y] &= \mathbf{E}[X] + \mathbf{E}[Y] \\ \mathbf{E}[aX] &= a\mathbf{E}[X] \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}) &= \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}) \\ \text{Var}(\mathbf{a}\mathbf{X}) &= a^2 \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}) \\ \text{Var}(\mathbf{a}\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{b}\mathbf{Y}) &= a^2 \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}) + b^2 \text{Var}(\mathbf{Y}) + 2ab \text{Cov}(\mathbf{X},\,\mathbf{Y}) \end{split}$$

Reflection and Materials

Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution (BRDF): Non-negative (always returns a positive value for any input ray), respects linearity, reciprocity principle: $f_r(w_i \to w_r) = f_r(w_r \to w_i)$, conserves energy.