Assignment 01

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1 Derivation for the Cylinder Intersections

The implicit representation of a cylinder goes as

$$||(x-c) \times \vec{a}||^2 - r^2 = 0$$

Where \vec{a} is the direction of the cylinder from the center

We plug in the ray parametrization form

$$x = t \cdot \vec{d} + o$$

therefore we get

$$||(t \cdot d + o - c) \times \vec{a}||^2 - r^2 = 0$$

resulting in the final from

$$t^{2} \cdot \|\vec{d} \times \vec{a}\|^{2} + t \cdot 2(\vec{d} \times \vec{a})(o - c) \times \vec{a} + \|(o - c) \times \vec{a}\|^{2} - r^{2} = 0$$

2 Derivation for the Cylinder Intersection Normal

The normal which points from the cylinder outwards at point x can be calculated by two consecutive cross products:

$$\vec{n} = \frac{(\vec{a} \times (x - c)) \times \vec{a}}{\|(\vec{a} \times (x - c)) \times \vec{a}\|}$$