

# Imatge Sintètica

## Ray Tracing for Realistic Image Synthesis

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Lecture 4 - Perfect Reflections, Refractions and Intersections

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# Class Outline

## Lecture 4 - Perfect Reflections, Refractions and Intersections

### Last Class Summary

### Perfect Specular Reflections and Refractions

- Perfect Specular Reflection

- Perfect Specular Refraction

### Ray-Object Intersections

- Ray-Plane Intersection

- Ray-Triangle Intersection

### Next Classes

# Last Class Summary

- ▶ Learned how to account for the contribution of point light sources to the illumination at a point
- ▶ Learned different lighting effects (light material interaction)
- ▶ Used the Phong reflection model (empirical) to model reflections at the surface (diffuse and glossy)

## Section 2

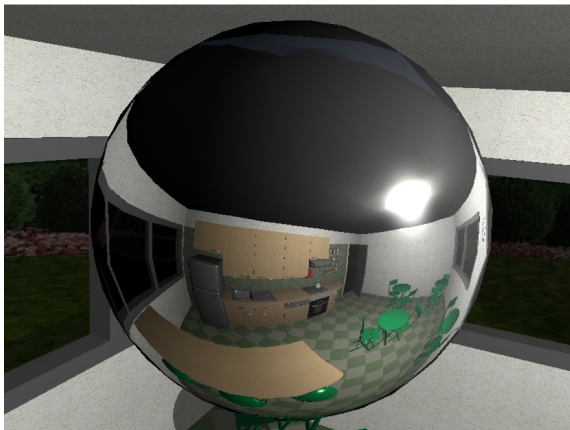
# Perfect Specular Reflections and Refractions

## Subsection 1

### Perfect Specular Reflection

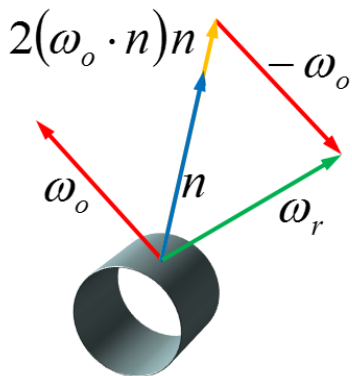
# Perfect Specular Reflection

- ▶ A perfect specular reflection is a mirror-like reflection



- ▶ Light arriving at a surface from a given direction is reflected in a single reflection direction

# Perfect Specular Reflection



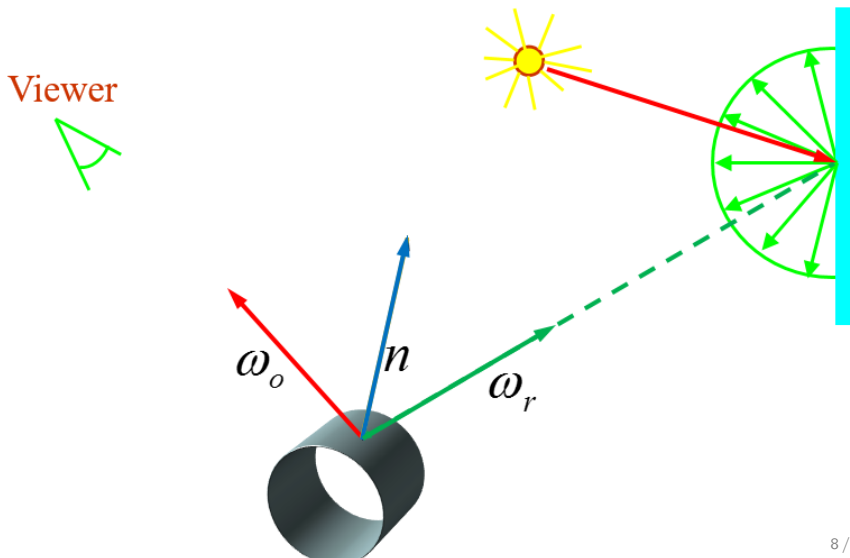
$$\omega_o \cdot \mathbf{n} = \omega_r \cdot \mathbf{n}$$

and

$$\omega_r = 2 (\omega_o \cdot \mathbf{n}) \mathbf{n} - \omega_o$$

# Perfect Specular Reflection

- ▶ The color reflected in the  $\omega_o$  direction is given by the light arriving from direction  $-\omega_r$





# Perfect Specular Reflection

## Pseudo Code

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**Algorithm 1** Computing the perfect specular reflection

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```
function COMPUTECOLOR(ray, objList, LSList)
    color  $\leftarrow$  (0, 0, 0)
    (...)
    if (material().hasSpecular()) then
         $\omega_r \leftarrow \text{computeReflectionDirection}(\text{ray.d}, \text{its.normal})$ 
        reflectionRay  $\leftarrow$  Ray(itsPoint,  $\omega_r$ , ray.depth+1)
        color  $\leftarrow$  COMPUTECOLOR(reflectionRay, objList, lsList)
    end if
    (...)
    return color
end function
```

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## Subsection 2

### Perfect Specular Refraction

# Refraction

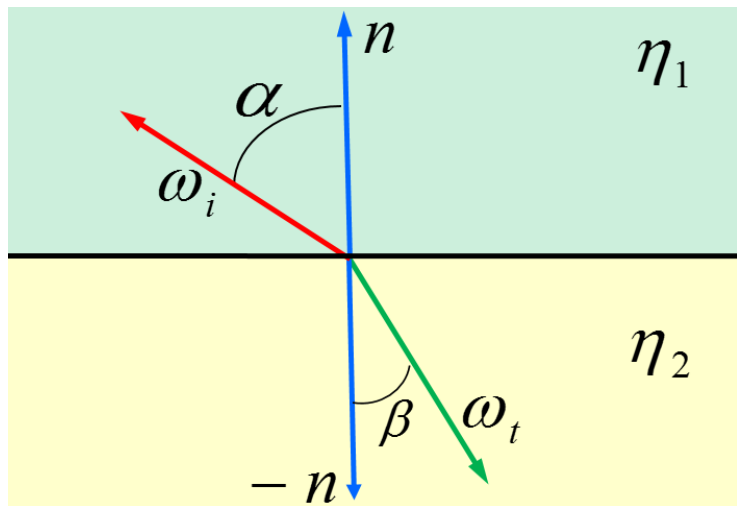
- Refraction: change of direction of light propagation due to a change of medium



- The angle of refraction depends on the densities of both mediums

# Perfect Specular Refraction

- ▶ When changing medium, light is refracted in a single direction



# Snell's Law

- ▶ The Snell's law relates the angle of incidence with the angle of refraction

$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{\sin \beta} = \frac{\eta_2}{\eta_1} = \eta_t$$

- ▶ Using Snell's law, we can show that:

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}_t = -\boldsymbol{\omega}_i \eta_t + \mathbf{n} (\eta_t \cos \alpha - \cos \beta),$$

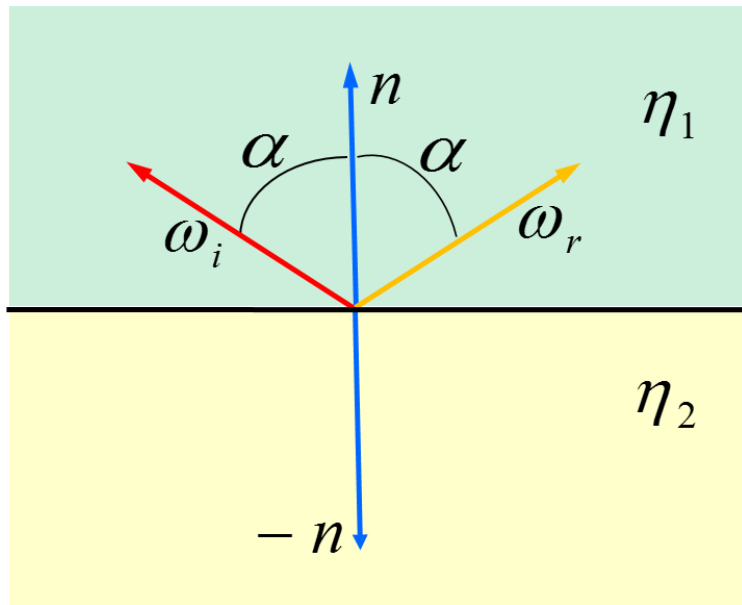
where

$$\cos \beta = \sqrt{1 + \eta_t^2 (\cos^2 \alpha - 1)}$$

- ▶ **Attention:** if the radicand is negative, then the incident light from  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_i$  is reflected along  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_r$ !
  - ▶ We the say we are in *total internal reflection* conditions

# Perfect Specular Refraction

Total Internal Reflection



# Perfect Specular Refraction

## Pseudo Code

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**Algorithm 2** Computing the perfect specular refraction

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```
function COMPUTECOLOR(ray, objList, LSList)
    color  $\leftarrow$  (0, 0, 0)
    (...)
    if (material().hasTransmission()) then
        (...)
        if !isTotalInternalReflection(...) then
             $\omega_t \leftarrow$  computeTransmissionDirection(...)
            refracRay  $\leftarrow$  Ray(itsPoint,  $\omega_t$ , ray.depth+1)
            color  $\leftarrow$  COMPUTECOLOR(refracRay, objList, lsList)
        else
            color  $\leftarrow$  Specular reflection
        end if
    end if
    (...)
    return color
end function
```

## Section 3

### Ray-Object Intersections

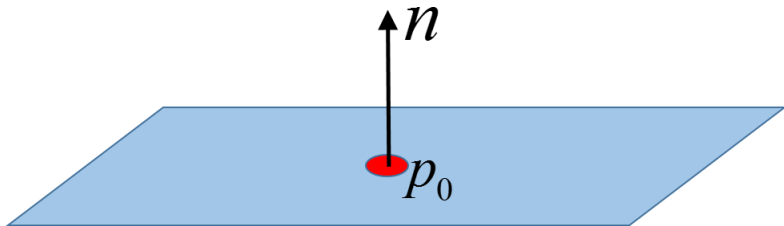


## Subsection 1

### Ray-Plane Intersection

# Infinite Plane Definition

- ▶ An infinite plane is defined by:
  - ▶ a normal  $\mathbf{n}$  (perpendicular to the plane)
  - ▶ a point  $\mathbf{p}_0$

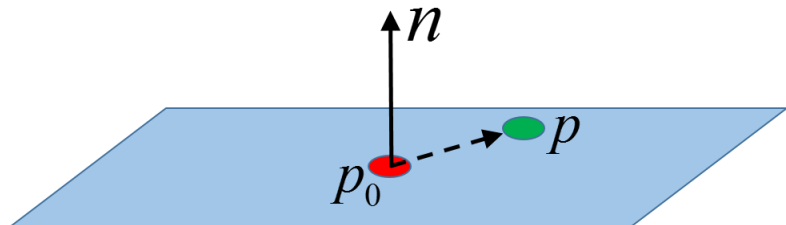


# Infinite Plane Definition

- ▶ All points verifying the equation

$$(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_0) \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$$

belong to the plane defined by  $\mathbf{n}$  and  $\mathbf{p}_0$

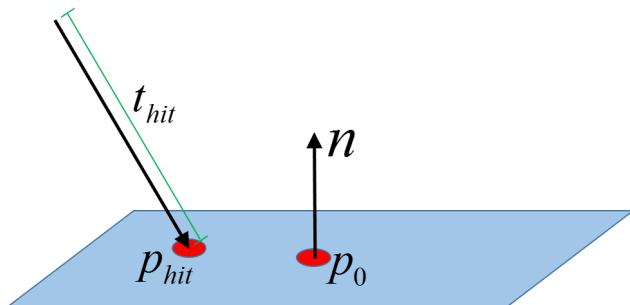


# Ray-Plane Intersection

- Recall the expression of a ray

$$r = \mathbf{o} + t \mathbf{d}$$

- Intersecting a ray with a plane amounts to finding the points belonging to the plane which also belong to the ray



# Ray-Plane Intersection

- ▶ Intersecting a ray with a plane amounts to finding the points belonging to the plane which also belong to the ray:

$$\begin{aligned}(r - \mathbf{p}_0) \cdot \mathbf{n} &= 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow (\mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{p}_0) \cdot \mathbf{n} &= 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow t &= \frac{(\mathbf{p}_0 - \mathbf{o}) \cdot \mathbf{n}}{\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{n}}\end{aligned}$$

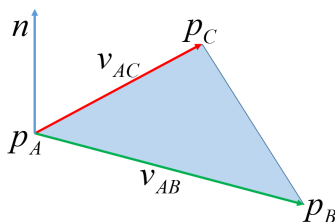
- ▶ If  $\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$  then the ray is parallel to the plane
  - ▶ Either infinite or zero solutions
  - ▶ We'll assume there is no solution

## Subsection 2

### Ray-Triangle Intersection

# Triangle Definition

- ▶ A triangle is defined by three points ( $\mathbf{p}_A$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_B$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_C$ )



- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{v}_{AB} = \mathbf{p}_B - \mathbf{p}_A$  and  $\mathbf{v}_{AC} = \mathbf{p}_C - \mathbf{p}_A$
- ▶ Convention: the triangle normal  $\mathbf{n}$  is given by

$$\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{v}_{AC} \times \mathbf{v}_{AB}$$

- ▶ The triangle is facing the viewer if it reads in anti-clockwise vertexes order

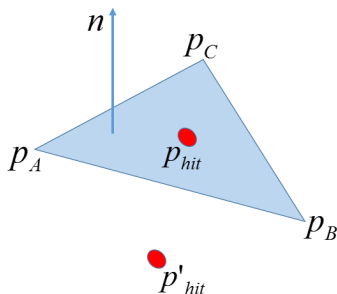
# Ray-Triangle Intersection

- ▶ The triangle ( $\mathbf{p}_A$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_B$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_C$ ) is contained in a plane defined by:
  - ▶ A normal, given by  $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{v}_{AC} \times \mathbf{v}_{AB}$
  - ▶ A point belonging to the triangle. By convention we'll use  $\mathbf{p}_A$
- ▶ Computing the ray-triangle intersection (2-step solution):
  1. Compute the intersection of the ray with the plane defined by the triangle
  2. Check if the intersection point belongs to the triangle



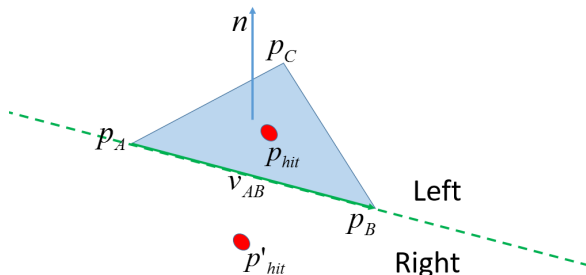
# Ray-Triangle Intersection

- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{p}_{hit} = \mathbf{o} + t_{hit} \mathbf{d}$  be the intersection point of a ray with a plane defined by a triangle ( $\mathbf{p}_A, \mathbf{p}_B, \mathbf{p}_C$ )
- ▶  $\mathbf{p}_{hit} \in (\mathbf{p}_A, \mathbf{p}_B, \mathbf{p}_C)$ ?       $\mathbf{p}'_{hit} \in (\mathbf{p}_A, \mathbf{p}_B, \mathbf{p}_C)$ ?



# Ray-Triangle Intersection

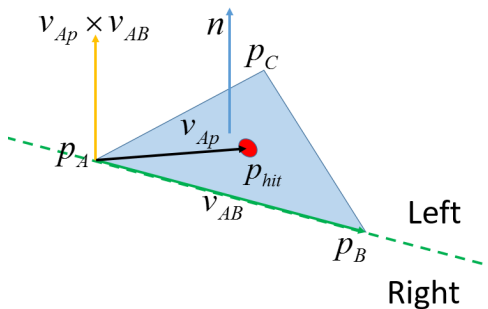
- Approach: use the cross product to determine if  $\mathbf{p}_{hit}$  is at the left or at the right of the triangle edges



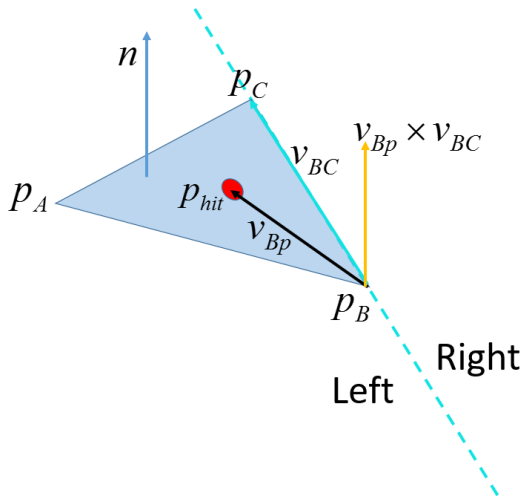
- If  $\mathbf{p}_{hit}$  is at the left of all edges, then  $\mathbf{p}_{hit} \in (\mathbf{p}_A, \mathbf{p}_B, \mathbf{p}_C)$

# Ray-Triangle Intersection

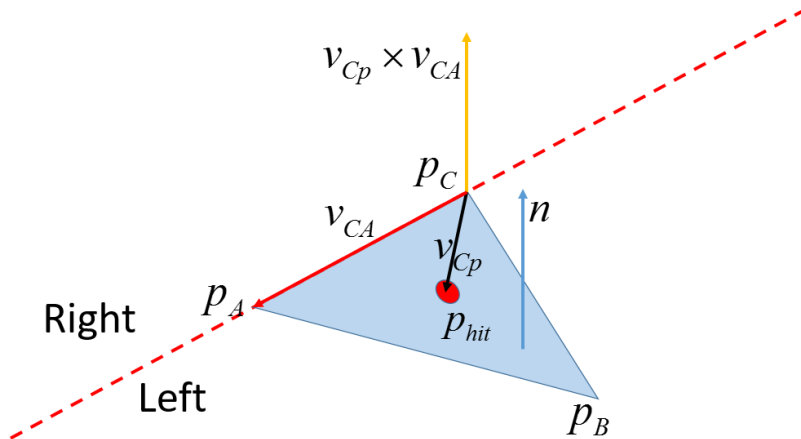
- ▶ The cross product can be used to determine if  $\mathbf{p}_{hit}$  is at the left or at the right of a given triangle edge
- ▶  $\mathbf{v}_{Ap} \times \mathbf{v}_{AB}$  yields a vector perpendicular to the plane defined by  $\mathbf{v}_{Ap}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_{AB}$
- ▶ If  $(\mathbf{v}_{AB} \times \mathbf{v}_{Ap_{hit}}) \cdot \mathbf{n} > 0$  then  $\mathbf{p}_{hit}$  is at the left of  $\mathbf{v}_{AB}$



# Ray-Triangle Intersection

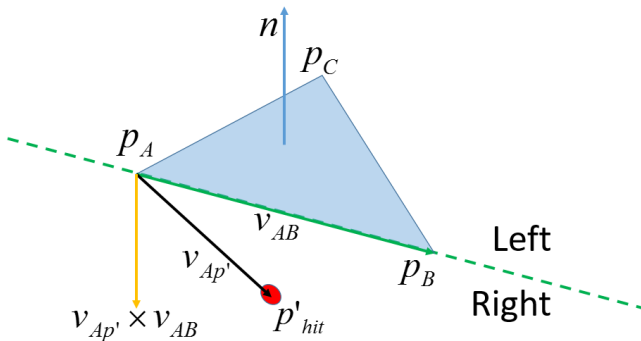


# Ray-Triangle Intersection



# Ray-Triangle Intersection

- If  $(\mathbf{v}_{AB} \times \mathbf{v}_{Ap_{hit}}) \cdot \mathbf{n} < 0$  then  $\mathbf{p}_{hit}$  is at the right of  $\mathbf{v}_{AB}$



# Lecture Summary

- ▶ We have learned new light-matter interactions
  - ▶ Perfect specular reflections
  - ▶ Perfect specular refractions
- ▶ We have learned new types of ray-object intersections
  - ▶ Ray-plane intersection (infinite plane)
  - ▶ Ray-triangle intersection

# A Glance on the Next Classes

- ▶ Global Illumination
- ▶ Anti-aliasing