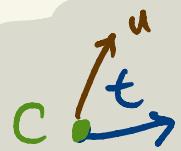


Problem 1: camera frame



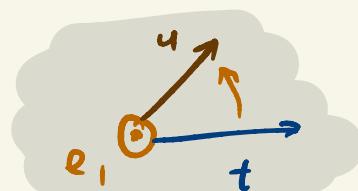
Let C be a point and T be a direction into the scene. Let u be a direction suggesting "up":

- let $\hat{u} = \frac{u}{\|u\|}$ and $\hat{t} = \frac{t}{\|t\|}$

These are each unit vectors in the same direction of the given vector.

- Compute a vector perpendicular to both \hat{t} and \hat{u} . This unit vector gives us the x -axis direction:

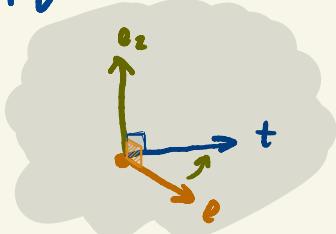
$$e_1 = \hat{t} \times \hat{u}$$



This is shown pointing out of the page above.

- IF we then compute

$$e_2 = e_1 \times \hat{t}$$



we get the direction of the y axis 'as shown above'. Notice that we've tilted e_1 slightly to depict that cross product. e_2 is perpendicular to both e_1 and t .

- Finally, we can set $e_3 = e_1 \times e_2$. This should just be

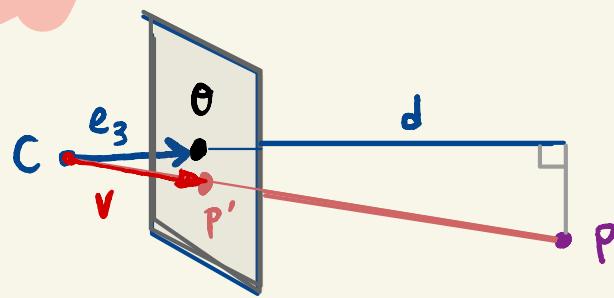
$$e_3 = -\hat{t}$$

And yields a right-handed frame with $+z$ pointing behind the camera. An alternative is to set

$$e_3 = \hat{t}$$

This yields a left-handed frame with $+z$ pointing into the scene.

Problem 2: projection



- To compute the depth, we calculate

$$d = (P - C) \cdot e_3$$

This is just the length of the projection of \overline{CP} onto e_3 .

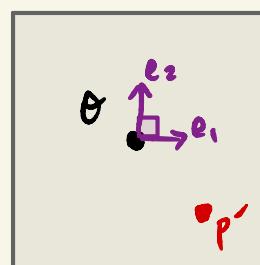
- The projection of P onto that plane is the point P' as shown in the picture. Let $v = P' - C$. We can compute it with

$$v := \frac{P - C}{d}$$

and so

$$P' := C + \frac{P - C}{d}$$

- Consider the sheet of paper at shown below:

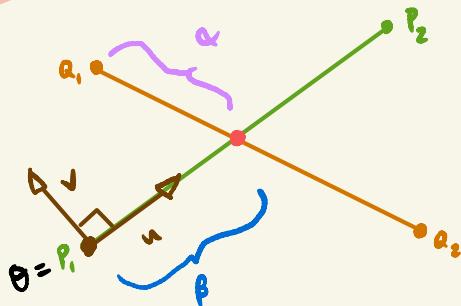


We compute the paper coordinates of P' with

$$x := (P' - O) \cdot e_1$$

$$y := (P' - O) \cdot e_2$$

Problem 3: segment intersection in 2-D



- let $u = \frac{P_2 - P_1}{\|P_2 - P_1\|}$ and $v = u^\perp$.

These directions give us an orthonormal frame along with choice of an origin $O := P_1$.

- We can compute

$$x_1 = (Q_1 - O) \cdot u \quad y_1 = (Q_1 - O) \cdot v$$

$$x_2 = (Q_2 - O) \cdot u \quad y_2 = (Q_2 - O) \cdot v$$

- What we need is for

$$\text{sgn}(y_1) \neq \text{sgn}(y_2)$$

because this places Q_1 and Q_2 on opposite sides of $\overrightarrow{P_1 P_2}$.

- Consider the ratio

$$\alpha := \frac{y_1}{y_1 - y_2}$$

It can be shown that the intersection point $I = \overline{Q_1 Q_2} \cap \overleftrightarrow{P_1 P_2}$

is given by

$$I = (1-\alpha)Q_1 + \alpha Q_2$$

- We need to check whether I falls on $\overline{P_1 P_2}$. One way to do that is to compute

$$\beta = \frac{|I - P_1|}{\|P_2 - P_1\|}$$

If $0 < \beta < 1$ then the intersection point $I = (1-\beta)P_1 + \beta P_2$ sits on $\overline{P_1 P_2}$.

Problem 4: ray-triangle intersection.

We have a ray from R along direction d meeting a plane containing $\Delta Q_1 Q_2 Q_3$.

- We can compute $v_2 = \frac{Q_2 - Q_1}{\|Q_2 - Q_1\|}$ $v_3 = \frac{Q_3 - Q_1}{\|Q_3 - Q_1\|}$

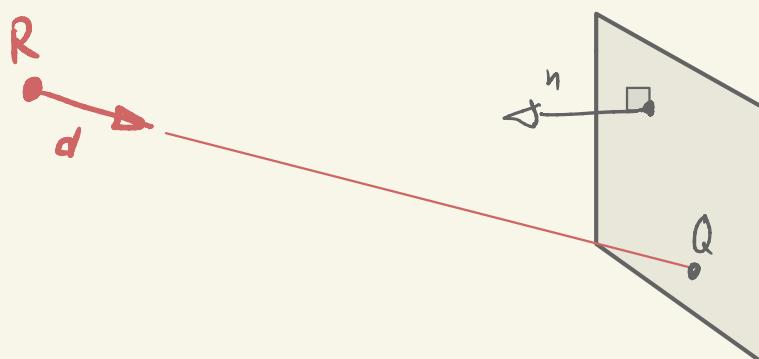
These two unit vectors give us directions from Q_1 to points Q_2 and Q_3 , respectively. These are depicted below:



- We can then compute the direction

$$n = v_2 \times v_3$$

This is a normal to the plane containing $\Delta Q_1 Q_2 Q_3$

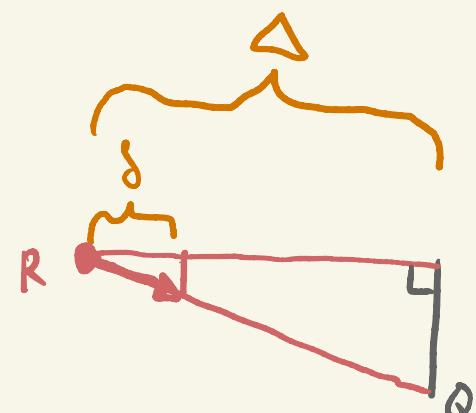


Note: the normal might face the opposite direction.

- We can now compute

$$\Delta = (Q_1 - R) \cdot n$$

$$\delta = d \cdot n$$



This gives us

$$Q = R + \frac{\Delta}{\delta} d$$

by similar triangles

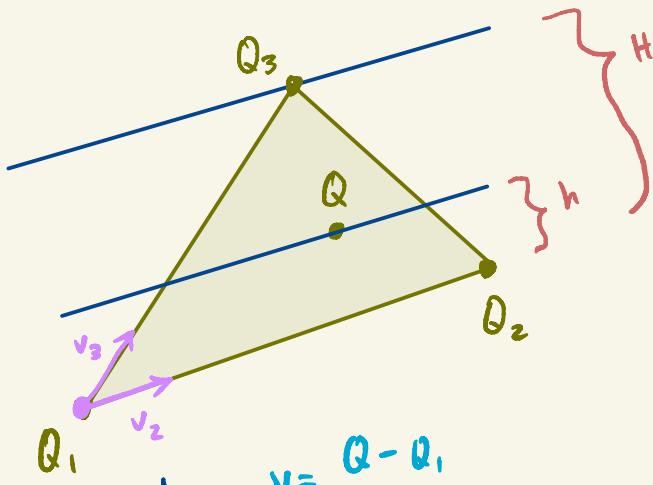
4. ray-triangle intersection, continued -

We've now placed a Q on the plane containing $\triangle Q_1 Q_2 Q_3$

let's now figure out $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$ s.t.

$$Q = \alpha_1 Q_1 + \alpha_2 Q_2 + \alpha_3 Q_3$$

The trick is to determine the height ratio h/H as shown below, and set $\alpha_3 = \frac{h}{H}$



- We can compute $v = \frac{Q - Q_1}{\|Q - Q_1\|}$

This gives us a third direction, from Q_1 to Q , which (when Q lies in the triangle) is swept through when we scan around Q_1 from v_2 to v_3 .

- We can then compute the heights off $\overline{Q_1 Q_2}$ with

$$h = \|v_2 \times v\| \quad H = \|v_2 \times v_3\|$$

We want $0 \leq h \leq H$ which places Q within the "cone" with corner Q_1 and swept from v_2 to v_3 .

- Repeating this with roles of Q_2 & Q_3 reversed yields α_2 . and then we just set $\alpha_1 = 1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3$.