

# Lines, Planes and Triangles

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## Implicit Lines and Planes

### Lines / 2D

$$aX + bY + d = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix} = -d$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{n} \bullet \vec{P} &= -d \\ &= \vec{n} \bullet \vec{P}_0 \end{aligned}$$

### Planes / 3D

$$aX + bY + cZ + d = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = -d$$

## Homogeneous Equations

- ▶ All terms of the same degree

### Lines / 2D

$$a X + b Y + d = 0$$

### Planes / 3D

$$a X + b Y + c Z + d = 0$$

### Multiply through by $w$

$$a X w + b Y w + d w = 0$$

$$a X w + b Y w + c Z w + d w = 0$$

$$a x + b y + d w = 0$$

$$a x + b y + c z + d w = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix} = 0 \qquad \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\left[ \vec{n} \mid -\vec{n} \bullet \vec{P}_0 \right] \vec{p} = 0$$

## Parametric Lines and Planes

### Lines

$$\vec{p} = \vec{p}_0 + t \vec{v}$$

### Planes

$$\vec{p} = \vec{p}_0 + s \vec{u} + t \vec{v}$$

### Tangents

$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = \vec{v}$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{p}}{\partial s} = \vec{u}; \frac{\partial \vec{p}}{\partial t} = \vec{v}$$

### Normals

$$\vec{n} = \hat{z} \times \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -v^y & v^x \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{n} = \vec{u} \times \vec{v}$$

## Given Points on Line or Plane

### Lines

$$\vec{p} = \vec{p}_0 + t \vec{v}$$

$$\vec{p} = \vec{p}_0 + t (\vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_0)$$

$$\vec{p}(0) = \vec{p}_0$$

$$\vec{p}(1) = \vec{p}_0 + \vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_0 = \vec{p}_1$$

### Planes

$$\vec{p} = \vec{p}_0 + s \vec{u} + t \vec{v}$$

$$\vec{p} = \vec{p}_0 + s (\vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_0) + t (\vec{p}_2 - \vec{p}_0)$$

$$\vec{p}(0,0) = \vec{p}_0$$

$$\vec{p}(1,0) = \vec{p}_0 + \vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_0 = \vec{p}_1$$

$$\vec{p}(0,1) = \vec{p}_0 + \vec{p}_2 - \vec{p}_0 = \vec{p}_2$$

## Barycentric Form

### Lines

$$\vec{p} = \vec{p}_0 + t (\vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_0)$$

### Planes

$$\vec{p} = \vec{p}_0 + s (\vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_0) + t (\vec{p}_2 - \vec{p}_0)$$

### Rearrange for weighted sum of points

$$\vec{p} = (1 - t) \vec{p}_0 + t \vec{p}_1$$

$$\vec{p} = (1 - s - t) \vec{p}_0 + s \vec{p}_1 + t \vec{p}_2$$

$$\vec{p} = r \vec{p}_0 + t \vec{p}_1$$

$$\vec{p} = r \vec{p}_0 + s \vec{p}_1 + t \vec{p}_2$$

where  $r + t = 1$

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- ▶  $r$ ,  $s$  and  $t$  are the **barycentric coordinates** of  $\vec{p}$

## Computing Barycentric Coordinates: System of Equations

- ▶  $r, s, t$  as linear equations
  - ▶  $r = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & d \end{bmatrix} \vec{p}$
  - ▶ Three unknowns,  $a, b$  and  $d$
  - ▶ Three constraints,  $r = 1 @ \vec{p}_0, r = 0 @ \vec{p}_1, r = 0 @ \vec{p}_2$ 
    - ▶  $1 = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & d \end{bmatrix} \vec{p}_0$
    - ▶  $0 = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & d \end{bmatrix} \vec{p}_1$
    - ▶  $0 = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & d \end{bmatrix} \vec{p}_2$
  - ▶  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{p}_0 & \vec{p}_1 & \vec{p}_2 \end{bmatrix}$
  - ▶  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{p}_0 & \vec{p}_1 & \vec{p}_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$

## Computing Barycentric Coordinates: Ratio of Heights

- ▶  $r$  is 0 at  $\vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2$ , and all points on the  $\overline{\vec{p}_1\vec{p}_2}$  line
- ▶  $r$  is 1 at  $\vec{p}_0$
- ▶  $r$  measures the perpendicular **height** of  $\vec{p}$  above  $\overline{\vec{p}_1\vec{p}_2}$
- ▶ Can measure with dot product against normal to  $\overline{\vec{p}_1\vec{p}_2}$ 
  - ▶ Apply Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization
  - ▶  $\vec{e}_{1,2} = \vec{p}_2 - \vec{p}_1$
  - ▶  $\vec{e}_{1,0} = \vec{p}_0 - \vec{p}_1$
  - ▶  $\vec{n}_r = \vec{e}_{1,0} - \frac{\vec{e}_{1,0} \bullet \vec{e}_{1,2}}{\vec{e}_{1,2} \bullet \vec{e}_{1,2}} \vec{e}_{1,2}$
- ▶ Measure height of triangle:  $h = \vec{n}_r \bullet \vec{p}_0 - \vec{n}_r \bullet \vec{p}_1$
- ▶ Measure height of point  $\vec{p}$ :  $h_p = \vec{n}_r \bullet \vec{p} - \vec{n}_r \bullet \vec{p}_1$
- ▶  $r$  is the ratio  $h_p/h$



## Computing Barycentric Coordinates: Ratio of Areas

- ▶ Triangle area =  $\frac{1}{2} \text{width height}$
- ▶  $\therefore$  Ratio of heights = ratio of triangle area (with same base)
  - ▶  $\frac{1}{2}$  and *width* terms cancel
- ▶  $\text{area}(\vec{p}_0, \vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2) = \frac{1}{2} w h$
- ▶  $\text{area}(\vec{p}, \vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2) = \frac{1}{2} w h_p$
- ▶  $r = \frac{\text{area}(\vec{p}, \vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2)}{\text{area}(\vec{p}_0, \vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} w h_p}{\frac{1}{2} w h} = h_p/h$

## Computing Barycentric Coordinates: Cross Product

- ▶ Magnitude of cross product is twice area of triangle
- ▶  $\therefore$  Ratio of areas = ratio of cross products
  - ▶  $\vec{n}_p = (\vec{p}_2 - \vec{p}_1) \times (\vec{p} - \vec{p}_1)$
  - ▶  $\vec{n}_{p_0} = (\vec{p}_2 - \vec{p}_1) \times (\vec{p}_0 - \vec{p}_1)$
  - ▶  $|r| = |\vec{n}_p|/|\vec{n}_{p_0}| = |w h_p|/|w h| = |h_p|/|h|$
- ▶ Sign: positive if  $\vec{n}_p$  and  $\vec{n}_{p_0}$  point the same direction
  - ▶  $r$  is positive if  $\vec{n}_p \bullet \vec{n}_{p_0} > 0$
  - ▶  $r$  is negative if  $\vec{n}_p \bullet \vec{n}_{p_0} < 0$
- ▶ For triangle in 2D; x,y components of cross product are 0
  - ▶  $r = \vec{n}_p^z / \vec{n}_{p_0}^z$

## Using Barycentric Coordinates: Point in Triangle Test

- ▶ Point  $\vec{p}$  is in triangle  $\triangle \vec{p}_0\vec{p}_1\vec{p}_2$ 
  - ▶ iff  $r \geq 0, s \geq 0, t \geq 0$
- ▶ Each barycentric coordinate is one **edge test**
  - ▶  $r > 0$  on the inside of  $\overrightarrow{\vec{p}_1\vec{p}_2}$
  - ▶  $s > 0$  on the inside of  $\overrightarrow{\vec{p}_2\vec{p}_0}$
  - ▶  $t > 0$  on the inside of  $\overrightarrow{\vec{p}_0\vec{p}_1}$
- ▶ Optimizations
  - ▶ Only need sign, can avoid division
  - ▶ For known vertical or horizontal edges, reduces to  $\vec{p}^x - \vec{p}_0^x \geq 0$
- ▶ For grid (as in assignment), can **locate** grid triangle without barycentric coordinates
  - ▶  $i = \text{floor}(x/\text{spacing}); j = \text{floor}(y/\text{spacing})$
  - ▶ Single dot product/edge test determines top vs. bottom triangle in cell

## Using Barycentric Coordinates: Interpolation

- ▶ Given  $r$ ,  $s$  and  $t$ , can **interpolate** position,  $\vec{p}$  within the triangle
  - ▶  $\vec{p} = r \vec{p}_0 + s \vec{p}_1 + t \vec{p}_2$
- ▶ Given  $\vec{p}$  can compute  $r$ ,  $s$  and  $t$ .
- ▶ Use these coordinates to **interpolate** other per-vertex values
  - ▶  $z = r z_0 + s z_1 + t z_2$
  - ▶  $color = r color_0 + s color_1 + t color_2$
  - ▶  $\vec{n} = r \vec{n}_0 + s \vec{n}_1 + t \vec{n}_2$