
CS 184 - Computer Graphics

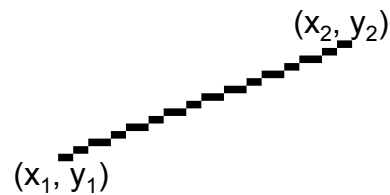
Lecture # 10: Scan Conversion

Today

- Line Drawing
- Triangle Rasterization

Line Drawing

- Given two end points (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2)
 - Draw reasonable approximation of the line
 - Often limits to integer coordinate



Implicit Line Equation

- (x, y) on the line (x_1, y_1) --- (x_2, y_2) if:

$$\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$(x_2 - x_1)(y - y_1) = (y_2 - y_1)(x - x_1)$$

$$(x_2 - x_1)y - x_2y_1 - x_1y_1 = (y_2 - y_1)x - x_1y_2 + x_1y_1$$

$$f(x, y) = (x_2 - x_1)y + (y_1 - y_2)x + x_1y_2 - x_2y_1 = 0$$

Implicit Line Equation

- Interpretation of $f(x,y)$

$$f(x,y) = (x_2 - x_1)y + (y_1 - y_2)x + x_1y_2 - x_2y_1$$

– Scaled signed distance from the line

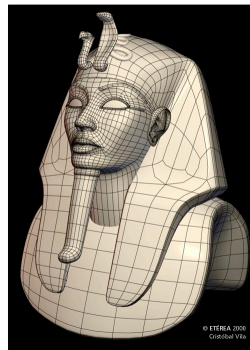
$$f(x,y) = Ax + By - C = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} - C$$

- $A = y_1 - y_2$
 - $B = x_2 - x_1$
 - $C = x_2y_1 - x_1y_2$
- ← $\begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix}$ is a vector perpendicular to the line
- ← Scaled signed distance from the origin to the line

– Will be signed distance if $\begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix}$ is normalized

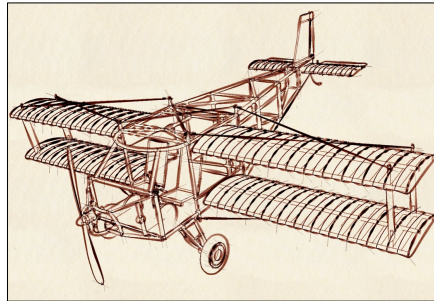
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From "A Procedural Approach to Style for NPR Line Drawing from 3D models,"
by Grabli, Durand, Turquin, Sillion

Drawing Line (Implicit EQ)

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

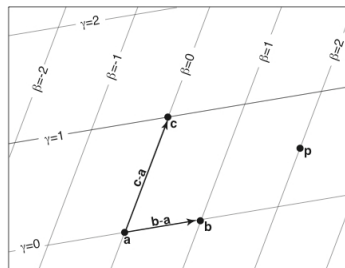
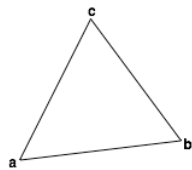
- Assume $0 < m \leq 1$
 - For other range of m , need modification
 - More “run” than “rise”
 - Draw 1 pixel per integer x between x_1 and x_2

Drawing a line

- See line drawing slides

Triangle Rasterization

- A triangle is defined by 2D points, **a,b,c**
 - Defines non-orthogonal coordinate system

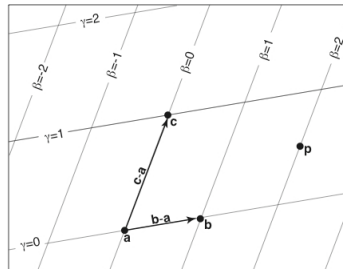


Barycentric Coordinate

- Points on triangle satisfy equation

$$\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{a} + \beta(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}) + \gamma(\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{a})$$

$$\beta, \gamma \in [0, 1] \text{ and } \beta + \gamma \leq 1$$



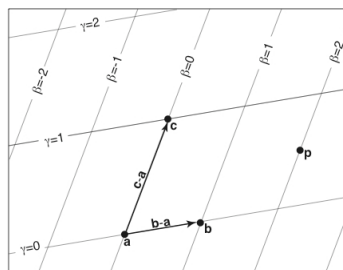
Barycentric Coordinate

- Equivalently,

$$\mathbf{p} = \alpha\mathbf{a} + \beta\mathbf{b} + \gamma\mathbf{c}$$

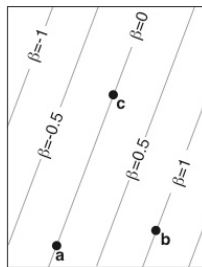
$$\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in [0, 1]$$

$$\alpha = 1 - \beta - \gamma$$



Barycentric Coordinate

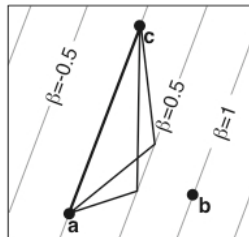
- Geometric Interpretation
 - Scaled sign distance
 - 1 at corresponding vertex
 - 0 on opposite edge



$$\mathbf{p} = \alpha\mathbf{a} + \beta\mathbf{b} + \gamma\mathbf{c}$$

Barycentric Coordinate

- Geometric Interpretation
 - Ratio of area
 - Eg. $\beta = \text{Area of } \Delta apc / \text{Area of } \Delta abc$
 - 1 at corresponding vertex
 - 0 on opposite edge



$$\mathbf{p} = \alpha\mathbf{a} + \beta\mathbf{b} + \gamma\mathbf{c}$$

Barycentric Coordinate

- Given a point P, how to find α , β , γ ?
 - Solving linear system

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_b - x_a & x_c - x_a \\ y_b - y_a & y_c - y_a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta \\ \gamma \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_p - x_a \\ y_p - y_a \end{bmatrix}$$

- Cramer's Rule

$$\beta = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} x_p - x_a & x_c - x_a \\ y_p - y_a & y_c - y_a \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} x_b - x_a & x_c - x_a \\ y_b - y_a & y_c - y_a \end{vmatrix}} \quad \gamma = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} x_b - x_a & x_p - x_a \\ y_b - y_a & y_p - y_a \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} x_b - x_a & x_c - x_a \\ y_b - y_a & y_c - y_a \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$\alpha = 1 - \beta - \gamma$$

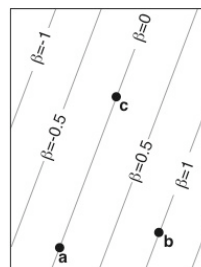
Barycentric Coordinate

- Given a point P, how to find α , β , γ ?
 - Use the geometric interpretation
 - Let $f_{ac}(x,y)$ be the implicit equation for line ac

$$\beta(x, y) \propto f_{ac}(x, y)$$

$$\beta(x_b, y_b) = 1$$

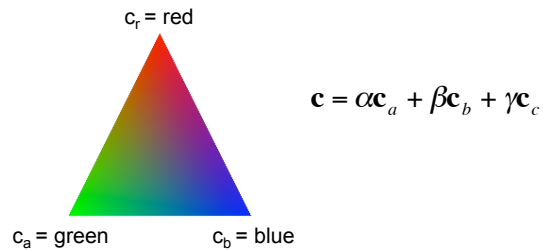
$$\beta(x, y) = \frac{f_{ac}(x, y)}{f_{ac}(x_b, y_b)}$$



- Can do similar reasoning for α , γ

Barycentric Coordinate

- Can be used for Gouraud Shading



- Other interpolations
 - Phong Shading
 - Texture Mapping

Triangle Rasterization

- Assume Gouraud shading

```
For all x do
  For all y do
    Compute  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  for  $(x,y)$ 
    If  $(\text{all } \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in [0,1])$ 
       $c = \alpha c_a + \beta c_b + \gamma c_c$ 
      DrawPixel(x,y,c)
```

Triangle Rasterization

- Improvement

```
xmin = floor(xi)
xmax = ceiling(xi)
ymin = floor(yi)
ymax = ceiling(yi)
For y = ymin to ymax do
  For x = xmin to xmax do
    β = fac(x,y)/fac(xb, yb)
    γ = fab(x,y)/fab(xc, yc)
    α = 1 - β - γ
    If (α >= 0 and β >= 0 and γ >= 0) then
      c = αca + βcb + γcc
      DrawPixel(x,y,c)
```

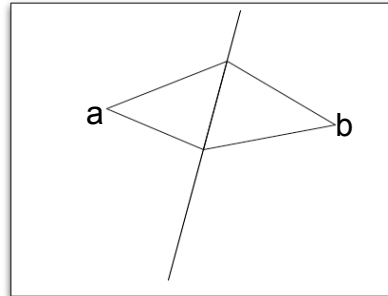
Triangle Rasterization

- Issues

- Pixels on triangles edges
 - Need to draw only once
- Still not very fast
 - Loop through many pixels not in the triangle

Triangle Rasterization

- Dealing with pixels on triangle edges
 - Two adjacent triangles sharing an edge
 - No Draw - Hole
 - Draw twice - Incorrect transparency
 - Use an off screen point to help with this
 - Draw pixel only if the off screen point is on the same side of the edge as the other vertex



. (-1,-1) - Off screen point

Triangle Rasterization

- Dealing with pixels on triangle edges

```

x_min = floor(x_i)    x_max = ceiling(x_i)
y_min = floor(y_i)    y_max = ceiling(y_i)
f_alpha_bc = f_bc(x_a, y_a) f_bc(-1, -1)
f_beta_ca = f_ca(x_b, y_b) f_ca(-1, -1)
f_gamma_ab = f_ab(x_c, y_c) f_ab(-1, -1)
For y = y_min to y_max do
  For x = x_min to x_max do
    beta = f_ac(x, y) / f_ac(x_b, y_b)
    gamma = f_ab(x, y) / f_ab(x_c, y_c)
    alpha = 1 - beta - gamma
    If (alpha >= 0 and beta >= 0 and gamma >= 0) then
      if (alpha > 0 or f_alpha_bc > 0) and (beta > 0 or f_beta_ca > 0) and
        (gamma > 0 or f_gamma_ab > 0) then
        DrawPixel(x, y, c)
    
```

Triangle Rasterization

- Fast Algorithm
 - Split triangle into 2 pieces
 - Each piece involves only 2 edges
 - Start with top 2 edges
 - For each y,
 - Compute span
 - ceil for min, floor for max
 - Draw horizontal line
 - Linearly interpolate barycoord
 - Until an edge runs out
 - If not done yet,
 - Continue with another edge

