

Geometric Modeling in Graphics

Part 2: Meshes properties



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Meshes properties

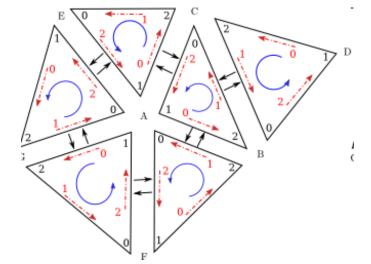
- Working with DCEL representation
- One connected component with simple polygons
- Basic properties of mesh used in modeling
 - Orientation
 - Area, volume
 - Normal
 - Curvature
 - Interior & exterior
 - Intersections
 - Distances
 - Descriptor & comparison
 - Parametrization
 - Bounding box
 - Skeleton
 - ...

DCEL mesh orientation

- Given by order of vertices in faces = order of half edges in faces
- For each half edge, its opposite half edge must have flipped orientation = opposite half edges can not have same origin vertex

▶ Fixing orientation — making proper orientation in faces, if

possible



DCEL mesh orientation fix

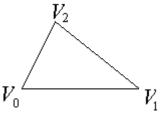
```
FixOrientation(DCEL mesh)
  List<Face> processed_faces;
  Face current_face = mesh.faces[0];
  while (current face != null)
     HalfEdge current_edge = current_face.edge;
        int num_flip_edges = 0, num_noflip_edges = 0;
        if (current_edge.opp != null &&
           processed_faces.Contains(current_edge.opp.face))
            if (current_edge.origin == current_edge.opp.origin)
              num_flip_edges++;
            else
               num_noflip_edges++;
        current_edge = current_edge.next;
     while (current_edge != current_face.edge)
     if (num_flip_edges > 0 && num_noflip_edges > 0)
        return false;
     if (num_flip_edges > 0)
        FlipOrientation(current_face);
     processed_faces.Add(current_face);
     current_face = GetNextUnprocessedFace(processed_faces);
  return true;
```

```
FlipOrientation(Face face)
{
    HalfEdge current_edge = face.edge;
    HalfEdge prev_edge = null;
    do
    {
        HalfEdge old_next = current_edge.next;
        if (prev_edge != null) current_edge.next = prev_edge;
        current_edge.origin = old_next.origin;
        current_edge.origin.edge = current_edge;
        prev_edge = current_edge;
        current_edge = old_next;
    }
    while (current_edge != face.edge)
    face.edge = prev_edge;
}
```

Mesh area

- Mesh area sum of areas for polygons
- For triangle, (oriented) area A using cross product

$$2\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{\Delta}) = \begin{vmatrix} (x_1 - x_0) & (x_2 - x_0) \\ (y_1 - y_0) & (y_2 - y_0) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x_0 & y_0 & 1 \\ x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= (x_1 - x_0)(y_2 - y_0) - (x_2 - x_0)(y_1 - y_0)$$
where $V_i = (x_i, y_i)$

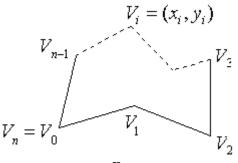


Oriented area A for simple polygon in 2D

$$2 A(\Omega) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (x_i y_{i+1} - x_{i+1} y_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (x_i + x_{i+1}) (y_{i+1} - y_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i (y_{i+1} - y_{i-1})$$
where $V_i = (x_i, y_i)$, with $i \pmod n$



Oriented area A for simple polygon in 3D

$$2\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{\Omega}) = \mathbf{n} \bullet \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (V_i \times V_{i+1})$$

 $V_{i} = (x_{i}, y_{i}, z_{i})$ $V_{n-1} \qquad \qquad V_{2}$ $V_{n} = V_{0} \qquad \qquad V_{1}$

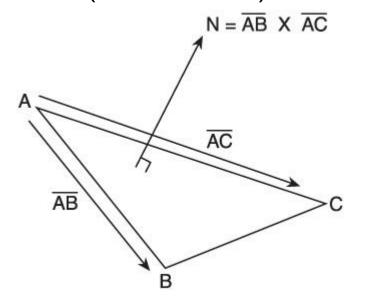
http://geomalgorithms.com/a01-_area.html

Mesh normals

- Unit vector perpendicular to plane
- Normal of tangent plane of point on surface
- For geometric normal, derivation at point is needed
- Face normal
 - Oriented normal of face plane
 - Direction given by orientation of face
 - Used for determining side of face (face culling, interior, ...)
- Vertex pseudo-normal
 - Attribute of vertex
 - No derivation in vertex normal of some approximation surface passing vertex
 - Used for modeling and visualization (illumination models, ...)
 - Not always given by geometric properties

Face normal

- For triangle, determined by cross product
- If given triangle ABC (in this order), then face normal N is computed as cross product of AB and AC (in this order)
- General face normal N for (nonplanar) polygon (P1,P2,...,Pn)



$$Pi=[xi, yi, zi], i=1,2,...,n$$

$$N=[Nx, Ny, Nz]$$

$$Nx = \Sigma (yj - yi)(zj + zi)$$

$$Ny = \Sigma (zj - zi)(xj + xi)$$

$$Nz = \Sigma (xj - xi)(yj + yi)$$

$$p_2$$

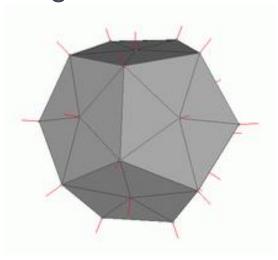
$$p_3$$

$$p_4$$

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Vertex normal

- Usually computed as weighted average of adjacent faces
- Weight of i-th face Fi
 - ▶ wi= I
 - wi = Area(Fi)
 - wi = Angle(Fi, v)
 - Weights must be normalized



```
ComputeVertexNormalAreaWeights(Vertex v)
   Vector N(0, 0, 0);
   float total_weight = 0;
   HalfEdge current_edge = v.edge;
   do
      float wi = FaceArea(current_edge.face);
      total weight += wi;
      N += wi * ComputeFaceNormal(current_edge.face);
      if (current edge.opp == null)
         break:
      current_edge = current_edge.opp.next;
   while (current edge != v.edge);
   current_edge = v.edge.prev.opp;
   do
      if (current_edge == null) break;
      float wi = FaceArea(current_edge.face);
      total weight += wi;
      N += wi * ComputeFaceNormal(current_edge.face);
      if (current_edge.prev.opp == null)
         break;
      current_edge = current_edge.prev.opp;
   while (current edge != v.edge);
   return Normalize(N / total_weight);
```

Curvature

- ▶ How much is curve or surface curved at given point
- Curves
 - Straight line has curvature equal to 0
 - At given point, best possible circle is fitted
 - Curvature is reciprocal of fitted circle radius
 - For computation, second order derivation is needed

$$k = \frac{x'y'' - y'x''}{(x'^2 + y'^2)^{3/2}}.$$

Surfaces

- At given point, and given tangent vector, curvature of all curves passing that point with that tangent vector is the same
- There is maximum and minimum of all tangent curvatures principal curvatures k1, k2
- Gaussian curvature K = kI.k2, mean curvature H = 0.5*(kI+k2)

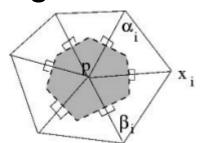
Mesh curvature

- Polygonal esh no first and second order derivation on edges and at vertices
- Curvature equal to 0 inside faces
- "Curvature" at vertex curvature of some interpolation surface at vertex
- Gaussian curvature for triangle meshes

$$K_g = \frac{1}{\mathcal{A}} \left(2\pi - \sum_{j=1}^N \Theta_j \right)$$

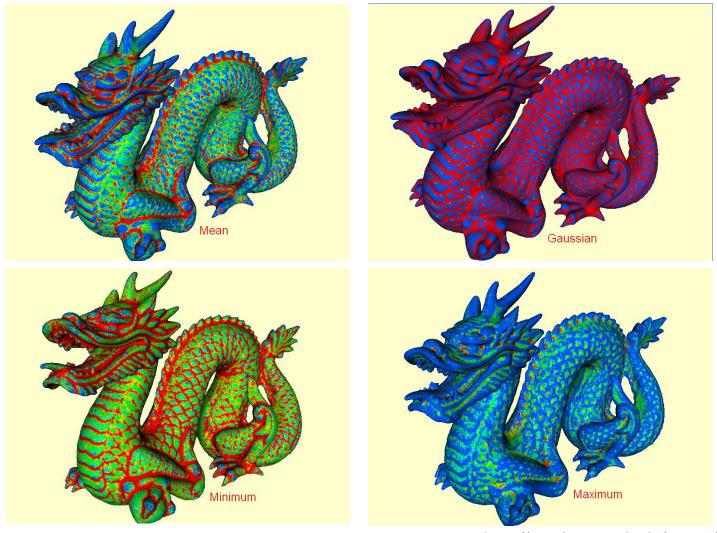
Mean curvature for triangle meshes

$$H_p = \frac{1}{4\mathcal{A}} \| \sum_{i \in st(p)} (\cot \alpha_i + \cot \beta_i) (x_i - p) \|.$$



ftp://ftp.disi.unige.it/person/MagilloP/PDF/Incs2012.pdf

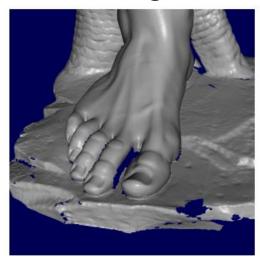
Mesh curvatures

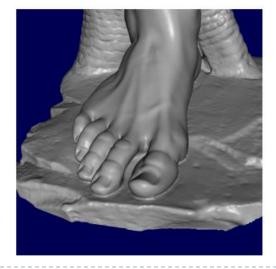


http://graphics.ucsd.edu/~iman/Curvature/

Closed mesh

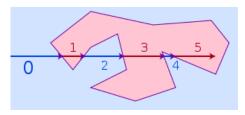
- Mesh dividing space to two sets, interior and exterior
- Interior and exterior should be non-empty sets
- Unclosed mesh has some holes, and has some boundary edges – edges with only one adjacent face
- Mesh in DCEL representation is closed if all opposite pointers in all half edges are non-null





Interior determination

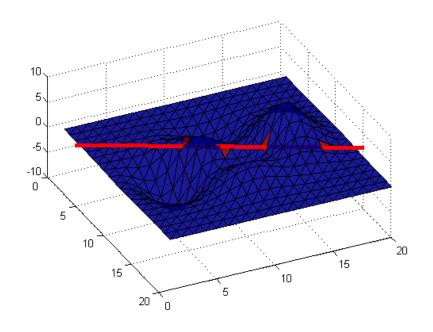
- Check if given point in interior or exterior set of mesh
- I. Cast ray from point, if it hits mesh in odd number if intersections, it is inside mesh, and outside otherwise



▶ 2. Find closest point C of given point P on mesh, then use dot product of P-C and normal in C to determine if it is inside or outside. Use angle-weighted pseudo normal if C is vertex or on edge of mesh.

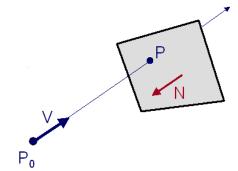
Ray-mesh intersections

- Finding intersections of ray and polygons of mesh
- Counting intersections on edges and in vertices only once
- Usually checking for intersection of ray and triangle
- Using acceleration structures
 - Uniform grid
 - Octree
 - kd-tree
 - Bounding volumes hierarchy



Ray-triangle intersection

- Find intersection of ray and plane
 - \triangleright Ray: $P=P_0+tV$
 - ▶ Plane: P.N+d=0
 - $t=-(P_0.N+d)/(V.N)$

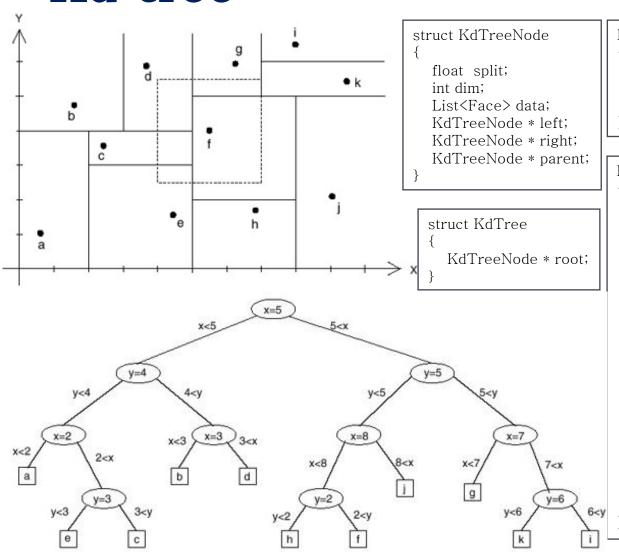


- Find if intersection point lies inside triangle
 - ▶ A,B,C coordinates of triangle vertices
 - ▶ P=uA+vB+wC, u+v+w=I, barycentric coordinates
 - Three equations, three variables u,v,w
 - If $0 \le u,v,w = I$, then P is inside ABC
- Optimized computations
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/M%C3%B6ller%E2%80%93Trumbore_intersection_algorithm

Kd-tree

- Probably fastest supporting structure for ray-mesh intersection
 - http://dcgi.felk.cvut.cz/home/havran/phdthesis.html
- Binary tree structure, each node containing one dividing plane perpendicular to one coordinate axis – each node represents axis-aligned convex area of space
- Polygons of mesh are stored only in leafs
- All polygons stored in subtree of a node are inside of the node area
- When finding intersections of ray and mesh, first kd-tree is traversed and only nodes intersecting with ray are visited
- Ray-polygon intersections are computed only for visited leafs
- Used also for set of meshes

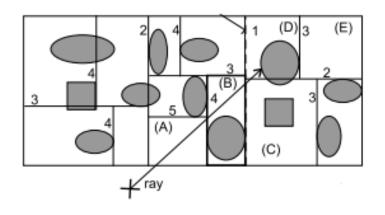
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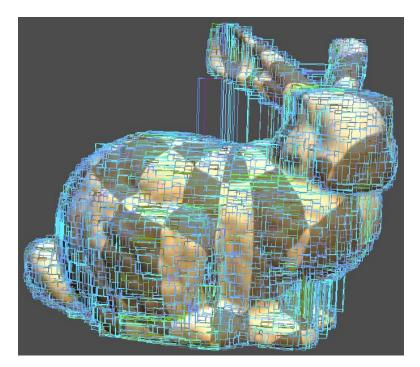


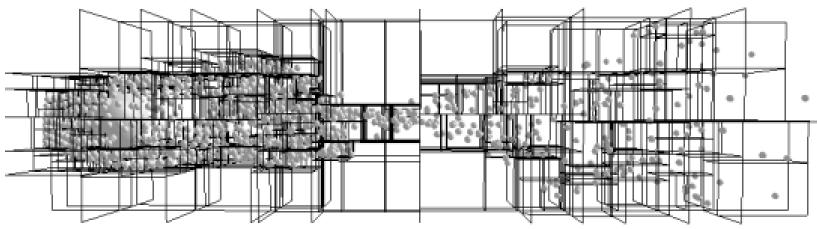
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KdTreeConstruct(S, d)
{
   T = new KdTree;
   T->root = KdTreeNodeConstruct(S, 0, d);
   return T;
}
```

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KdTreeNodeConstruct(D, dim, d)
  if (|D| = 0) return null;
  v = new KdTreeNode;
  v->dim = dim;
  if (|D| <= THRESHOLD)
     v->data = D.Elements;
     v \rightarrow left = null;
     v->right = null;
     return v;
  v->data = null;
  v->split = D.ComputeSplitValue(dim);
  D_{\leq s} = D.Left(dim, v->split);
  D_{>s} = D.Right(dim, v->split);
  i = (dim + 1) \mod d;
  v \rightarrow left = KdTreeNodeConstruct(D_{< s}, j);
  v-right = KdTreeNodeConstruct(D_{>s}, j);
  return v;
```

Kd-tree







Mesh descriptors

- Describing mesh using small number of numbers descriptor vector
- If description vectors are same, then meshes should be same and vice versa
- Similar meshes has similar vector using some vectors comparison metrics
- Used for mesh comparisons, shape recognition, shape retrieval, ...
- Transformation invariance
- http://web.ist.utl.pt/alfredo.ferreira/publications/DecorAR-Surveyon3DShapedescriptors.pdf

Shape Contexts

- Divide space into smaller number of bins, centered at local point or global center
- Prepare normalized histogram for number of mesh vertices inside bins
- Global
 - Uniform grid over whole mesh
 - Count number of vertices for each cell (bin)
 - Normalized count is descriptor vector
- Local
 - Put disc grid at each vertex location and count number of vertices in local neighborhood

Hausdorff distance

- Point-mesh distance (point x, mesh A)
 - $b d(x,A) = \inf\{d(x,y); y \text{ in } A\};$
- Mesh-mesh Hausdorff distance (mesh A, mesh B)
 - $d(A,B) = \sup\{d(x,B);x \text{ in } A\}$
- Symmetrical mesh-mesh Hausdorff distance (mesh A, mesh B)
 - $h(A,B) = \max\{d(A,B),d(B,A)\}$
- If 0, meshes are identical
- ▶ Higher distance = meshes are more different
- For computation, acceleration structures like uniform grid, octree, kd-tree are used
- http://www.cmap.polytechnique.fr/~peyre/cours/x2005signal/m esh_mesh.pdf

Hausdorff distance

http://meshlabstuff.blogspot.sk/2010/01/measuring-difference-between-two-meshes.html







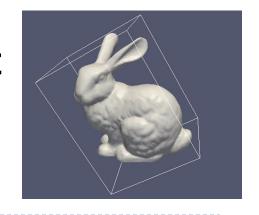
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Mesh bounding box

- Finding tight bounding box for mesh and principal direction
- Using PCA (Principal component analysis)
- Using vertices of mesh $V_i = [x_i, y_i, z_i]$
- http://jamesgregson.blogspot.sk/2011/03/latex-test.html
- ▶ I. Compute mean position for each coordinate

$$E[xx] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i x_i$$
 $E[xy] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i y_i$, ..., $E[xz] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i z_i$

- ▶ 3. Find eigenvectors of covariance matrix C
- ▶ 4. Eigenvectors form orthogonal frame of oriented bounding box



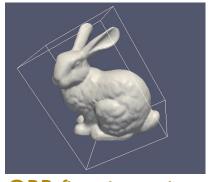
Mesh bounding box

▶ Using triangles instead of vertices, A_i is are of i-th triangle, A_m is area of entire mesh, p,q,r are vertices of i-th triangle

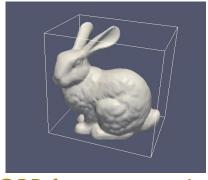
$$\hat{x} = \frac{1}{A_m} \sum_{i=1}^{N} A_i \hat{x}_i \qquad \hat{y} = \frac{1}{A_m} \sum_{i=1}^{N} A_i \hat{y}_i \qquad \hat{z} = \frac{1}{A_m} \sum_{i=1}^{N} A_i \hat{z}_i$$

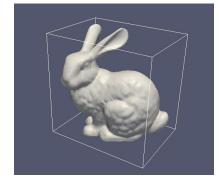
$$E[xx] = \frac{1}{A_m} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{A_i}{12} \left(9\hat{x}_i \hat{x}_i + p_x p_x + q_x q_x + r_x r_x \right) \qquad E[xy] = \frac{1}{A_m} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{A_i}{12} \left(9\hat{x}_i \hat{y}_i + p_x p_y + q_x q_y + r_x r_y \right)$$

- Using only vertices or triangles from convex hull of mesh
- Using only one eigenvector from PCA, other 2 directions are computed using 2D PCA from projected vertices



OBB fit using points

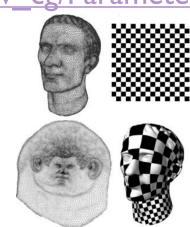




OBB fit using triangles OBB fit using convex hull

Mesh parameterization

- ▶ Polygonal mesh 2D object, manifold
- Parameterization finding bijective mapping of 2D plane and polygonal mesh
- Usually defined by putting 2 coordinates (u,v) at each vertex defining coordinates of vertex in 2D space
- 2D coordinates of points inside faces are computed using interpolation
- https://igl.ethz.ch/teaching/tau/adv_cg/Parameterization03_I.ppt
- Usage
 - Texture mapping
 - Mesh editing
 - Morphing
 - Animation



Basic parameterizations

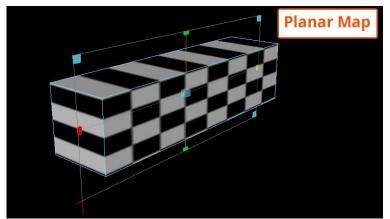
- Computing u,v for each vertex V_i
- Planar
 - Given plane by origin O and two orthonormal vector X,Y
 - $\mathbf{v} = (Vi-O) \cdot X, \mathbf{v} = (Vi-O) \cdot Y$

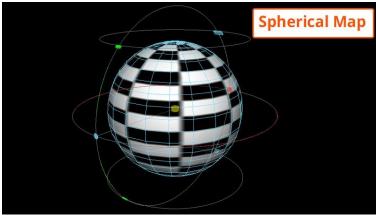
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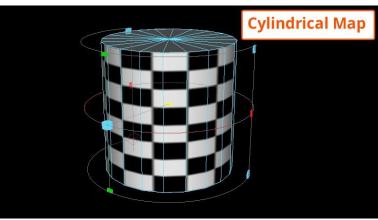
- Given origin O
- $r=|V_i-O|$, $u=atan(V_{ix}-O_x)/(V_{iy}-O_y)$), $v=acos((V_{iz}-O_z)/r)$
- Cylindrical
 - Given origin O
 - ► R=sqrt((V_{iz} - O_x)²+(V_{iy} - O_y)²), u=asin((V_{iy} - O_y)/r),v= V_{iz} - O_z

Basic parameterizations

http://blog.digitaltutors.com/understanding-uvs-love-themor-hate-them-theyre-essential-to-know/









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