

- Getting Started on Ray Tracing
- Intersections and ray computation

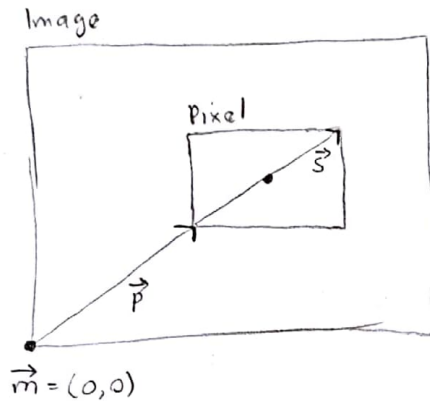
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Let's start with our image. (1)

We want a vector pointing at the center of the pixel



$\vec{m}$: bottom left of image

$\vec{p}$: bottom left of pixel

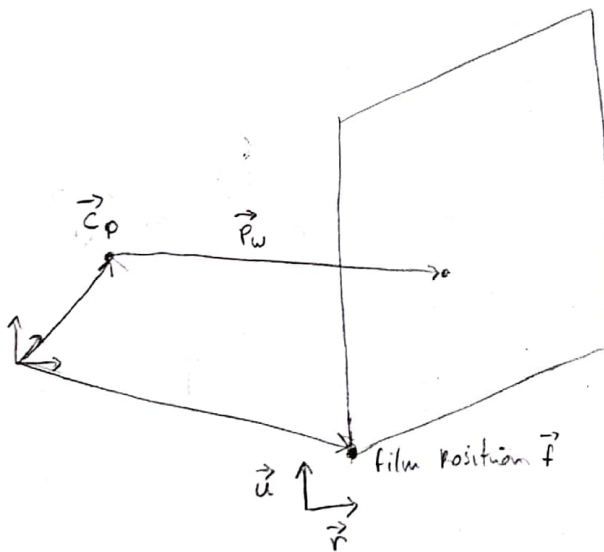
$\vec{s}$: pixel size

$\vec{c}$: center?

$$\vec{c} = \vec{m} + \vec{p} + \frac{1}{2} \vec{s}$$

camera.h — Cell_Center

2D is boring. Let's take a look at 3D.



$\vec{c}_p$: camera position

$\vec{f}$: film position

$\vec{u}$: up in the film

$\vec{r}$: right in the film

$\vec{p}_w$: pixel position in 3D.

$$\vec{p}_w = \vec{f} + c_x \vec{u} + c_y \vec{r}$$

camera.cpp — World_Position

How to Render Pixel?

- calculate ray
- cast ray → find intersections → determine color
- set pixel in the image according to color.

ray { endpoint: camera position
direction: $(\vec{p}_w - \vec{c}_p)$ ← normalized

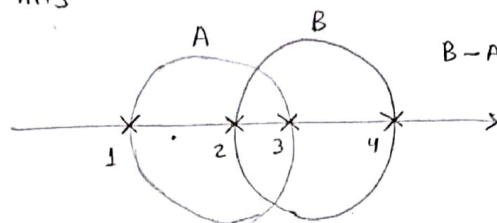
render-world.cpp — Render_Pixel

How to cast ray?

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→ Check for closest intersection

→ Record hits



$B-A \Rightarrow$ Enter in 3, out in 4.

→ Calculate normal (Shade computation)

→ shade surface

→ No intersection? Shade background

Render_world.cpp - Cast_Ray

How to calculate intersection?

→ hit at $t = \infty$

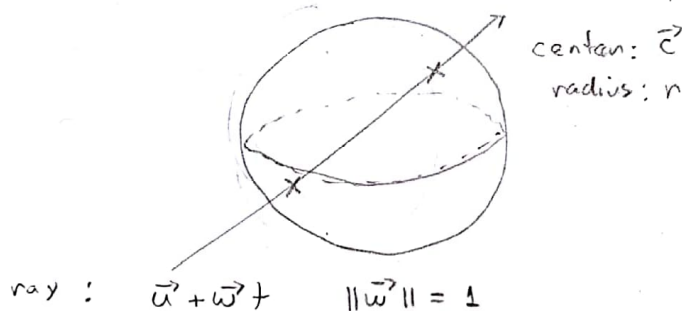
→ for each object, compute the intersections with ray

→ intersects with lower t ?

→ store closest obj / store t

Render_world.cpp - Closest_Int.

→ First test we have is a sphere. (00.txt / 00.png)



On sphere: $\|\vec{x} - \vec{c}\|^2 = r^2 \Rightarrow (\vec{x} - \vec{c})(\vec{x} - \vec{c}) = r^2$

replacing ray: $(\vec{u} + \vec{w}t - \vec{c})(\vec{u} + \vec{w}t - \vec{c}) = r^2$

replacing $\vec{u} - \vec{c} = \vec{v} \Rightarrow (\vec{w}t + \vec{v})(\vec{w}t + \vec{v}) = r^2$

expanding: $(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w})t^2 + 2(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v})t + (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}) = r^2$

$$t = \frac{(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v}) \pm \sqrt{(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v})^2 - (\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w})(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} - r^2)}}{(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w})}$$

→ Discriminant D

$D < 0$: no intersection ()

$D = 0$: intersection (t, t)

$D > 0$: intersection (t_0, t_1)

$t_0 < t_1$

$t_0 < t, < 0 \Rightarrow ()$

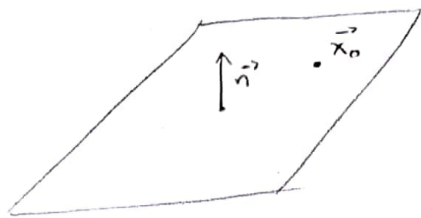
$t_0 < 0 \leq t_1 \Rightarrow (0, t_1)$

$0 \leq t_0 \leq t_1 \Rightarrow (t_0, t_1)$

What about a plane? :

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Plane implicit equation: $(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$



$\vec{n}$: normal

$\vec{x}_0$: any point on the plane

→ Exercise

$$\rightarrow t = \frac{\vec{n} \cdot (\vec{u} - \vec{x}_0)}{\|\vec{n}\|^2} \rightarrow \text{necessary?}$$