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High-Quality Spatio-Temporal Rendering using Semi-Analytical Visibility

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Overview



- Previous work
- Line sampling, approximation of LTD-space
- Visibility Engine
- Ambient Occlusion
- Results
- Future Work

Previous work



- Stochastic sampling
 - [Cook et al. 85], [Akenine-Möller et al. 2007],
 [Fatahalian et al. 2009], [McGuire et al. 2010]
- Decoupled shading and reuse
 - [Ragan-Kelley et al. 2011]
 [Burns et al. 2010]



Previous work

- 2D visibility
 - [Catmull 1978]
 [Grant 1985]
- 1D visibility

- [Jones and Perry 2000]





Previous work



- Single sample visibility, continuous time
 - [Korein and Badler 1983]
 [Sung et al. 2002]
 [Gribel at al. 2010]



Our algorithm



 Treat time and one spatial dimension as continua



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Line sample patterns





[Jones & Perry 2000]













































Approximation refinement





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Visibility Engine



- Resolves visibility between triangles in *ltd*-space
- Calculates the color contributed to each pixel overlapping the line sample
- Stages:
 - 1. Binning
 - 2. Depth sorting
 - 3. Pixel integration



Stage 1: Binning

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- Split *It*-space into a uniform grid (*m* by *n*)
- Conservatively rasterize triangles to *lt*-cells
- Following stages: Process a single cell at a time!



Stage 2: Depth sorting



- Clip binned triangles to cell boundaries
- Split polygons against each other (if necessary)
 - Using a BSP-tree
- Sort according to depth



Stage 3: Pixel integration

- Hidden surface removal [Catmull 1978]
- Shading
 - Sample each visible polygon at its barycenter
- Integration
 - Sum area weighted colors





Chess (n = 1)



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Chess (12 cores using 24 threads)



49 samples: 3.8 s

Sponza (n = 16)



Sponza (*n* = 16)



Performance with increasing motion

n = 1 (subdivisions along *t*) n = 16



- Our algorithm can be used to render ambient occlusion as well
- Common approximation of global illumination





Line samples instead of rays











Future work



- Line sampling patterns
- Adaptive splitting of *lt*-space
- Depth of field
- Higher dimensional problems
- Rigorous ambient occlusion evaluation





Hidden surface removal [Catmull78]

- Insert polygons into tree in order
- Split against first edge
 - Left part is added to the sub tree of that edge
 - Right part is split against the next edge (or thrown away at last edge)



Performance with increasing motion



time

Near-z clipping



- Establish coordinate basis for the line sample in view space
- Transform moving triangles into this basis and generate *ltd*-triangles
- Clip against z = z_{near}
- Project into viewport space and map along line

Depth approximation error



GT





12

0 iterations

3 iterations







Refinement iterations





