236719 Computational Geometry – Tutorial 1

# Planar Graph Euler's Formula DCEL



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## **Planar Graph**

- Operation A planar graph is a graph that can be embedded in the plane
  - Can be drawn on a plane in such a way that its edges intersect only at their endpoints
  - In some pictures, a planar graph may have crossing edges



## **Planar Graph**

#### Simple graph:

- undirected
- no graph loops
- no parallel edges

◎ Fáry's Theorem - every simple planar for a simple planar for

**Tutte Embedding -** the embedding of 3-vertex-connected planar graphs with good properties.



## **Euler's Formula**

#### Notations

*v* – number of vertices*e* – number of edges*f* – number of faces

Euler's Formula (for finite, connected planar graph)

v - e + f = 2

v =e =f =



# Proof by induction on the complexity of the graph

Sase case: 
$$f = 1$$
acyclic connected graph – Tree
 $e = v - 1$ 
 $v - e + f = v - (v - 1) + 1 = 2$ 



v-e+f=2-

## Proof by induction on the complexity of the graph

Induction step: Consider a graph with f' faces, v'vertices and e' edges.
Assume that the property holds for f = f' - 1

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- a. Choose an edge that is shared by 2 different faces and remove it, the graph remains connected.
- b. This removal decreases both the number of faces and edges by one, on the new graph we get:

$$v - e + f = 2$$
  
 $v - e + f = v' - (e' - 1) + (f' - 1) = 2$   
 $\Rightarrow v' - e' + f' = 2$ 

• What is the area of this polygon?





Let us begin with a simpler case, what is the area of a triangle containing no inner points:



• Lemma: the area of a triangle containing no inner points is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

○ A basis of  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  is a pair of vectors  $e_1, e_2$  such that  $\mathbb{Z}^2 = \{\lambda_1 e_1 + \lambda_2 e_2 \mid \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ 

○ Lemma: If { $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$ } is a basis of  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  then det(A) = ±1 where A =  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{pmatrix}$ 

O Proof:

There exists a matrix Q s.t. AQ = I  $\Rightarrow \det(A) \cdot \det(Q) = 1$ All the numbers are integers, hence the result.

○ <u>Lemma</u>: If the triangle created by a pair of vectors contains no lattice points, this pair is a basis of  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ .



• Corollary: The area of a lattice triangle containing no inner points is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

O Pick's theorem: The area of a polygon Q, with integral vertices is given by

$$A(Q) = n_{int} + \frac{1}{2}n_{bd} - 1$$

#### Where:

- n<sub>*int*</sub> is the number of interior points
- $\circ$   $n_{bd}$  is the number of boundary points.



- $\circ$  Number of triangles: f 1
- Number of boundary edges: *e*<sub>bd</sub>

 $A(Q) = \frac{1}{2}(f-1)$ 

 $\circ$  Number of interior edges:  $e_{int}$ 

$$3(f - 1) = 2e_{int} + e_{bd}$$

$$\Rightarrow f = 2(e - f) - e_{bd} + 3$$

$$= 2(n - 2) - n_{bd} + 3$$
Euler's
Formula
$$= 2n_{int} + n_{bd} - 1$$

$$n = n_{int} + n_{bd}$$
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$$v-e+f=2$$

## **Applications of Euler's Formula**

O Exercises:

Show that for any planar graph:

- $\circ$  Have at most 3V 6 edges.
- Have a vertex of degree at most 5.



## **DCEL – Doubly Connected Edge List**

O Given a planar graph we are looking for a DS to represent the graph.

We want to enable (for example):
 Traverse all edges incident to a vertex v
 Traverse all edges bounding a face
 Traverse all faces adjacent to a given face
 etc...



### **DCEL – Doubly Connected Edge List**

- $\bigcirc$  **Complexity** of a subdivision =  $V + E + F^{\diamond}$
- DCEL A data structure for representing an embedding of a planar graph in the plane
   Only consider: every edge is a straight line segment
   Recall Fáry's Theorem
- DCEL consists of 3 collections of records: Vertices, Edges, Faces



## **DCEL – A Record for Vertex**

○ Vertex – the embedding of a node of the graph

- Coordinates(v) coordinates of vertices
- IncidentEdge(v)
  Points to only one edge

	Vertex	Coordinates	IncidentEdge		
	$v_1$	(0,4)	$\vec{e}_{1,1}$		
	$v_2$	(2,4)	$\vec{e}_{4,2}$		
	<i>v</i> <sub>3</sub>	(2,2)	$\vec{e}_{2,1}$		
	$v_4$	(1, 1)	$\vec{e}_{2,2}$		
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## **DCEL – A Record for Edge**

**Half-edges** – different sides of an edge

- Bounds only 1 face
- Origin(e)
  - Orientation the face it bounds lies to its left
  - ID of a vertex structure
- Twin(e) the twin edge of e in the opposite direction
- OIncidentFace(e)
- Next(e) & Prev(e)

next and previous edge on the boundary of *IncidentFace(e)*.



## DCEL – A Record for Edge



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Half-edge	Origin	Twin	IncidentFace	Next	Prev
$\vec{e}_{1,1}$	$v_1$	$\vec{e}_{1,2}$	$f_1$	$\vec{e}_{4,2}$	$\vec{e}_{3,1}$
$\vec{e}_{1,2}$	$v_2$	$\vec{e}_{1,1}$	$f_2$	$\vec{e}_{3,2}$	$\vec{e}_{4,1}$
$\vec{e}_{2,1}$	<i>v</i> <sub>3</sub>	$\vec{e}_{2,2}$	$f_1$	$\vec{e}_{2,2}$	$\vec{e}_{4,2}$
$\vec{e}_{2,2}$	$v_4$	$\vec{e}_{2,1}$	$f_1$	$\vec{e}_{3,1}$	$\vec{e}_{2,1}$
$\vec{e}_{3,1}$	<i>V</i> 3	$\vec{e}_{3,2}$	$f_1$	$\vec{e}_{1,1}$	$\vec{e}_{2,2}$
$\vec{e}_{3,2}$	$v_1$	$\vec{e}_{3,1}$	$f_2$	$\vec{e}_{4,1}$	$\vec{e}_{1,2}$
$\vec{e}_{4,1}$	<i>v</i> <sub>3</sub>	$\vec{e}_{4,2}$	$f_2$	$\vec{e}_{1,2}$	$\vec{e}_{3,2}$
$\vec{e}_{4,2}$	$v_2$	$\vec{e}_{4,1}$	$f_1$	$\vec{e}_{2,1}$	$\vec{e}_{1,1}$

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## **DCEL – A Record for Face**

OuterComponent(f) –
A pointer to a half-edge on the outer boundary of face f.

InnerComponents(f) –
A list contains for each hole in the face f a pointer to some half-edge on the boundary of the hole.



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OuterComponent	InnerComponents
nil	$\vec{e}_{1,1}$
$\vec{e}_{4,1}$	nil
	OuterComponent nil $\vec{e}_{4,1}$

## **DCEL – Further Facts**

# Amout of Storage – linear in the complexity of the subdivision

 $\circ$  vertices and edges – linear in V + E

ofaces

OuterComponent – linear in *F* InnerComponent lists– linear in *E* 

## OSpecial cases

For Isolated vertices in a face, store pointers
 For additional information, add attributes



## **DCEL – Exercises**

Why isn't the Destination field of the |
 Edge structure needed?
 Origin(Twin(e))

O Traverse all edges incident to a vertex v

- e<sub>1</sub> = IncidentEdge(v)
  do:
- e<sub>1</sub> = Next(Twin(e<sub>1</sub>))
  While e<sub>1</sub> != IncidentEdge(v) f<sub>1</sub>

