Computational Graphics: Lecture 17

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- transformation matrices are dimension-independent, and their dimension is computed as the length of the parameter vector passed to the generating function.

Elementary transformations: Translation matrices

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def t(*args):
    d = len(args)
    mat = scipy.identity(d+1)
    for k in range(d):
        mat[k,d] = args[k]
    return mat.view(Mat)
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Elementary transformations: Scaling matrices

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def s(*args):
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    return mat.view(Mat)
```

Elementary transformations: Rotation matrices

```
def r(*args):
    args = list(args)
    n = len(args)
    @< plane rotation (in 2D) @>
    @< space rotation (in 3D) @>
    return mat.view(Mat)
```

plane rotation (in 2D)

```
if n == 1: # rotation in 2D
    angle = args[0]; cos = COS(angle); sin = SIN(angle)
    mat = scipy.identity(3)
    mat[0,0] = cos;    mat[0,1] = -sin;
    mat[1,0] = sin;    mat[1,1] = cos;
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space rotation (in 3D)

```
if n == 3: # rotation in 3D
    mat = scipy.identity(4)
    angle = VECTNORM(args); axis = UNITVECT(args)
    cos = COS(angle); sin = SIN(angle)
    @< elementary rotations (in 3D) @>
    @< general rotations (in 3D) @>
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```
if axis[1]==axis[2]==0.0:     # rotation about x
    mat[1,1] = cos;     mat[1,2] = -sin;
    mat[2,1] = sin;     mat[2,2] = cos;
elif axis[0]==axis[2]==0.0:     # rotation about y
    mat[0,0] = cos;     mat[0,2] = sin;
    mat[2,0] = -sin;     mat[2,2] = cos;
elif axis[0]==axis[1]==0.0:     # rotation about z
    mat[0,0] = cos;     mat[0,1] = -sin;
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general rotations (in 3D)

```
else:  # general 3D rotation (Rodrigues' rotation formula)
    I = scipy.identity(3)
    u = axis

    Ux = scipy.array([
        [0,          -u[2],       u[1]],
        [u[2],           0,      -u[0]],
        [-u[1],      u[0],           0]])
    UU = scipy.array([
        [u[0]*u[0],    u[0]*u[1],    u[0]*u[2]],
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    mat[:3,:3] = cos*I + sin*Ux + (1.0-cos)*UU
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- only one copy of each component is stored in the memory, and may be instanced in different locations and orientations how many times it is needed.

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Design goal

All components of any structure are (recursively) transformed to the coordinate frame of the first element of the structure

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from pyplasm import *
def __traverse(CTM, stack, o):
    for i in range(len(o)):
        if ISNUM(o[i]): print o[i], REVERSE(CTM)
        elif ISSTRING(o[i]):
            CTM.append(o[i])
        elif ISSEQ(o[i]):
            stack.append(o[i])              # push the stack
            __traverse(CTM, stack, o[i])
            CTM = CTM[:-len(stack)]         # pop the stack

def algorithm(data):
    CTM,stack = ["I"],[]
    __traverse(CTM, stack, data)
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Script 8.3.1 (Traversal of a multigraph)

algorithm TRAVERSAL $((N, A, f) : multigraph)$ {
    CTM := identity matrix;
    TraverseNode ($root$)
}

proc TRAVERSENODE ($n : node$) {
    foreach $a \in A$ outgoing from n **do** TraverseArc (a);
    ProcessNode (n)
}

proc TRAVERSEARC ($a = (n, m) : arc$) {
    Stack.push (CTM);
    CTM := CTM * a.mat;
    TraverseNode (m);
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LAR-CC implementation

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- then the `traversal` is called (recursion),
- and finally, at (each) return from recursion, the `CTM` is recovered by popping the stack.

Examples

We start with a simple 2D example of a non-nested list of translated 2D object instances and rotation about the origin.

```
""" Example of non-nested structure with translation and rotations """
import sys; sys.path.insert(0, 'lib/py/')
from largrid import *
from larstruct import *
square = larCuboids([1,1])
table = larApply( t(-.5,-.5) )(square)
chair = larApply( s(.35,.35) )(table)
chair1 = larApply( t(.75, 0) )(chair)
chair2 = larApply( r(PI/2) )(chair1)
chair3 = larApply( r(PI/2) )(chair2)
chair4 = larApply( r(PI/2) )(chair3)
scene = Struct([table,chair1,chair2,chair3,chair4])
VIEW(SKEL_1(STRUCT(MKPOLS(struct2lar(scene)))))
```

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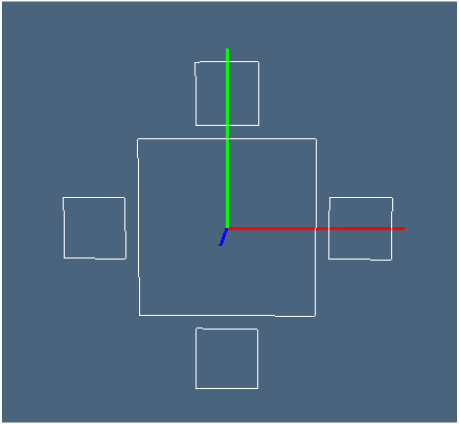

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scene = evalStruct(struct)
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Finally, a similar 2D example is given, by nesting one (or more) structures via separate definition and call by reference from the interior.

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struct = Struct(10*[struct,t(0,2.5)])
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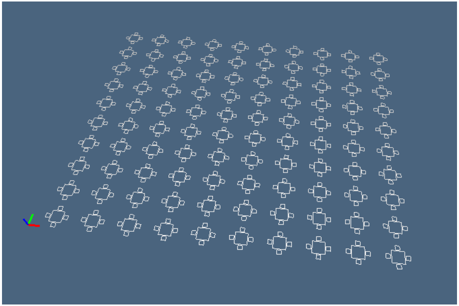

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2D robot arm

Example: 2D robot arm (lar-cc package)

```
from larcc import *
from larstruct import *

link = Struct([t(-1,-19),s(2,20),larCuboids([1,1])])
def joint(a): return [t(0,-18),r(a*PI/180)]
def arm(a1,a2,a3):
    return Struct([s(.1,.1)] + [link] + joint(a1) + [link] + j
                    + [link] + joint(a3) + [link])

hpcs = MKPOLS(struct2lar(arm(30,60,90)))
VIEW(STRUCT(hpcs))
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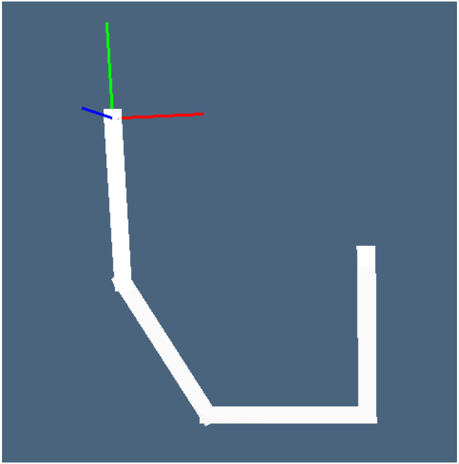

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def joint(a):
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def arm(a1,a2,a3):
    return STRUCT([ S([1,2])([.1,.1]), link, joint(a1), COLOR(
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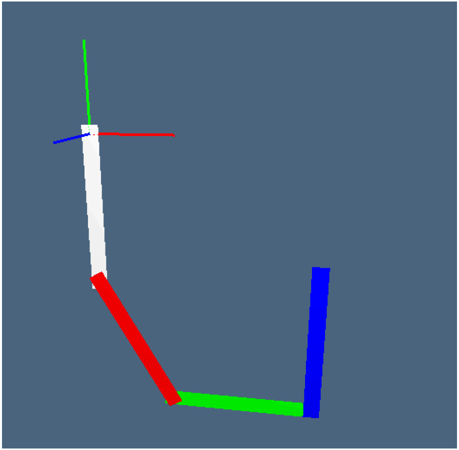

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