Computer Graphics

Mathematical background

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- Computer graphics is useful and fun
- Computer graphics is about generating images
- Modeling, Rendering, Animation
- Raster vs Vector, 2D vs 3D
- Ad-hoc projection vs Light physics
- "Standard graphics pipeline"
- Matrix notation



Mathematical background

• Vectors:

- Points, directions, vectors and matrices
- Linear combinations, convex combinations
- Norm, normalization
- Inner product, orthogonality, orthogonalization
- Box product, Cross product
- Orientation
- Representation of a straight line



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In general, vectors are elements of a space.



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We use those vectors to denote and _____



• Linear combinations:

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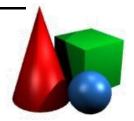
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A linear combination

$$\lambda_1 \boldsymbol{v}_1 + \lambda_2 \boldsymbol{v}_2 + \dots + \lambda_n \boldsymbol{v}_n$$

is called *convex* if _____



Norm

$$\|\boldsymbol{a}\| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2}$$



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$$\left\| \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\| =$$



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$$\|\binom{33}{44}\| =$$



• Normalization:

$$normalize(a) \coloneqq \frac{a}{\|a\|}$$



• Normalization:

normalize
$$\binom{0}{1}$$
 =



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$$\binom{44}{33} =$$



$$\langle \boldsymbol{a}, \boldsymbol{b} \rangle = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_n b_n$$



$$\langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \rangle =$$



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$$\langle \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \rangle =$$



$$\langle \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \rangle + \langle \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \rangle =$$



- Inner product
 - $\langle a, \lambda b + c \rangle = \lambda \langle a, b \rangle + \langle a, c \rangle$

Linearity

- $\langle a, a \rangle = ||a||^2$
- $\langle \boldsymbol{a}, \boldsymbol{b} \rangle = \|\boldsymbol{a}\| \cdot \|\boldsymbol{b}\| \cdot \cos \alpha$

Relationship with the norm

 \bullet $\langle a, b \rangle = a^T b$

Relationship with the matrix product notation



Inner product

$$a^T(\lambda b + c) = \lambda a^T b + a^T c$$

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$$\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{a} = \|\mathbf{p}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{a}\| \cdot \cos \alpha$$

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,

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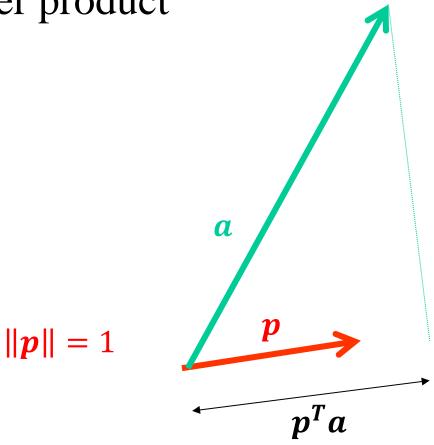
Inner product

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• If ||p|| = 1,

 $p^T a$ is the length of the projection of a onto p.

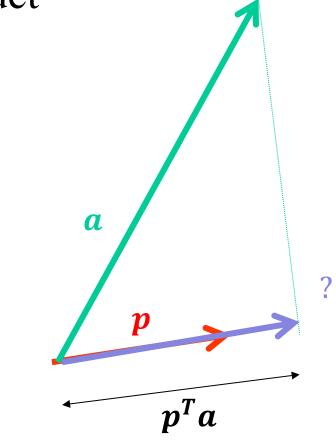




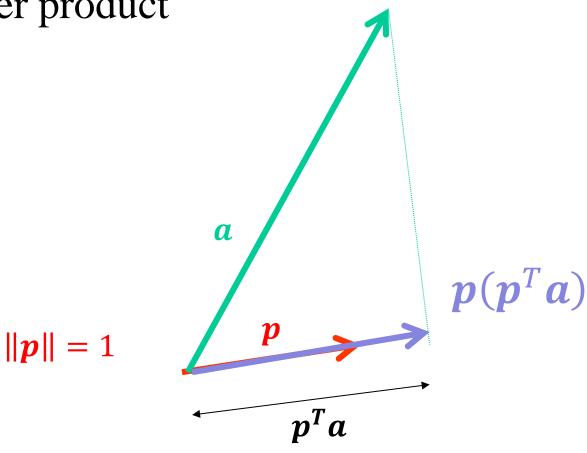


Inner product

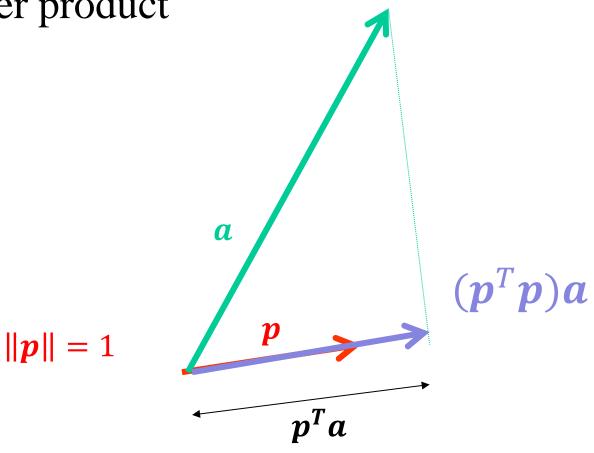
 $||\boldsymbol{p}|| = 1$



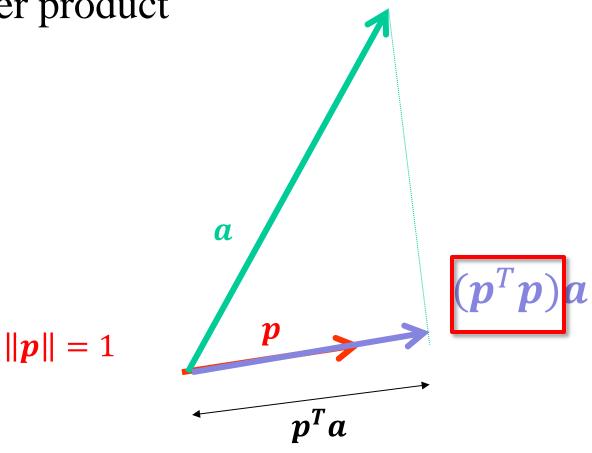




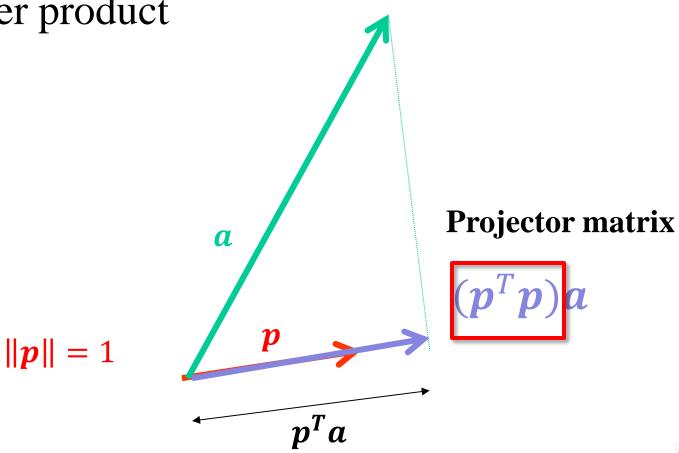














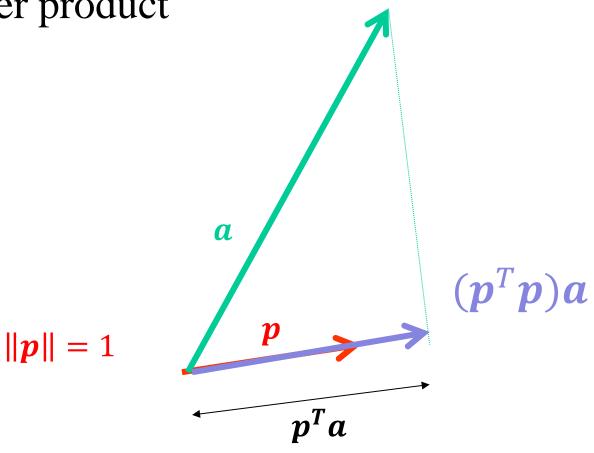
Projector

• For any nonzero vector **p** the matrix

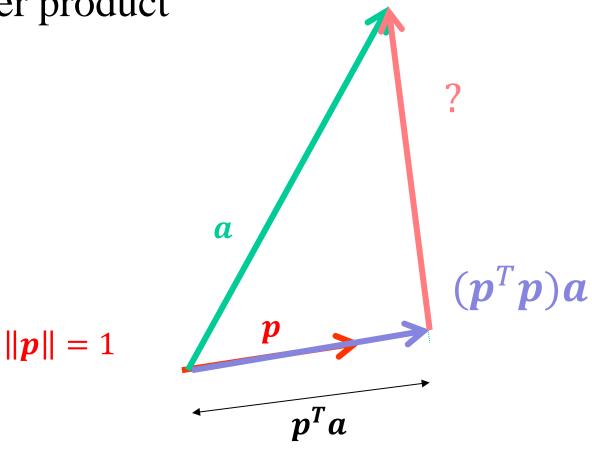
$$\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{p}}{\|\boldsymbol{p}\|}\right)\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{p}}{\|\boldsymbol{p}\|}\right)^{T} = \frac{\boldsymbol{p}\boldsymbol{p}^{T}}{\|\boldsymbol{p}\|^{2}} = \frac{\boldsymbol{p}\boldsymbol{p}^{T}}{\boldsymbol{p}^{T}\boldsymbol{p}}$$

is the *projector matrix* for \boldsymbol{p} .

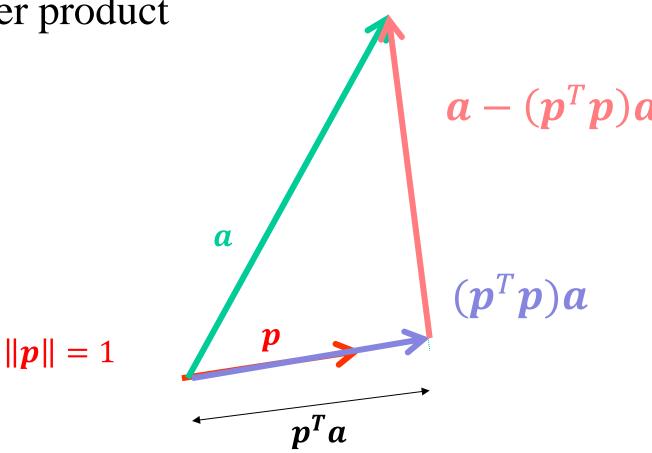




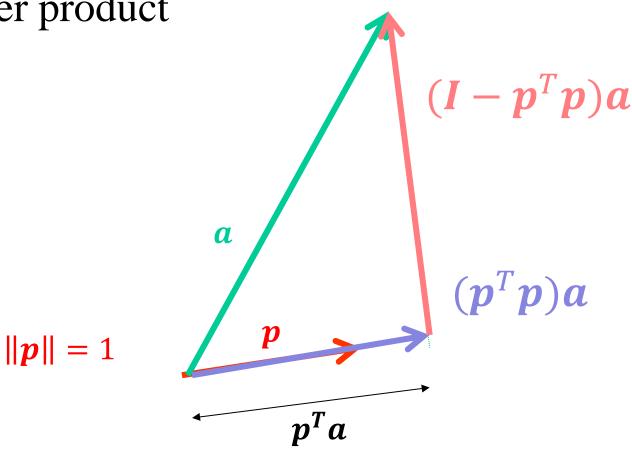














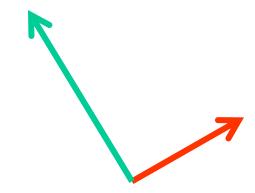
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Inner product

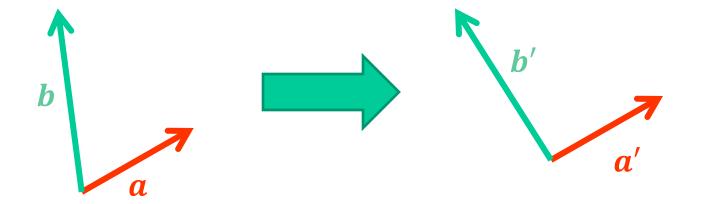
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$$\bullet a^T b = 0 \iff \cos \alpha = 0$$

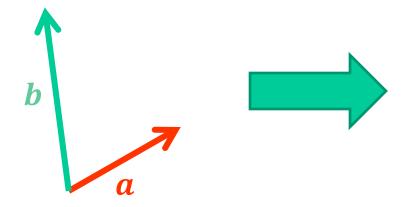


In this case we say that a and b are orthogonal.

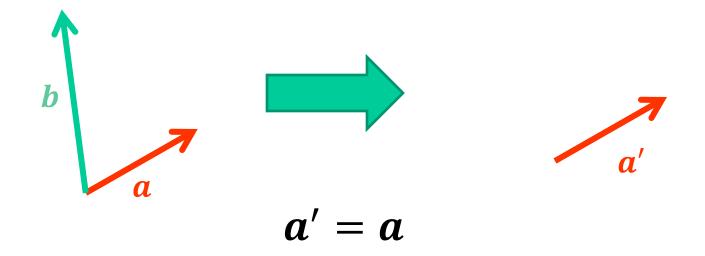




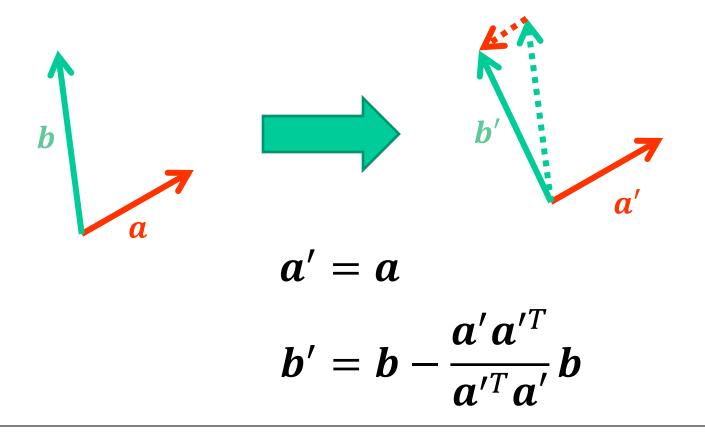














Gram-Schmidt algorithm

$$a'=a$$

$$b' = b - \frac{a'a'^T}{a'^Ta'}b$$

$$c' = c - \frac{a'a'^T}{a'^Ta'}c - \frac{b'b'^T}{b'^Tb'}c$$

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Orthonormality

• If vectors **a** and **b** are orthogonal and unitlength, we say they are *orthonormal*.

• A set of m orthonormal vectors in \mathbb{R}^m is an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^m .

• Give an example of an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .



Box product

- Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^2$.
- The box product of \boldsymbol{a} and \boldsymbol{b} is:

$$|a \ b| = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} = a_1 b_2 - b_1 a_2$$



Box product

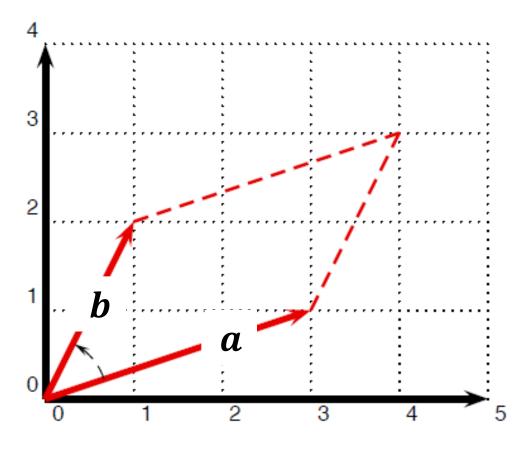
•
$$|a \ b| = ||a|| ||b|| \sin \alpha$$

$$\bullet |b a| = -|a b|$$



Box product

$$|\boldsymbol{a} \ \boldsymbol{b}| = \|\boldsymbol{a}\| \|\boldsymbol{b}\| \sin \alpha$$





• Box product in 3D:

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- The sign determines the *orientation* of the vectors.



Orientation

• *m* vectors in an *m*-dimensional space have an *orientation*.

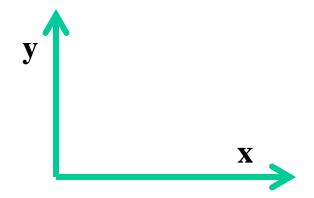
• Orientations in 2D and 3D have conventional names: *right-handed* and *left-handed*.

• You can also speak about *positive* and *negative* orientation *relative to the basis*.



Right-handed basis

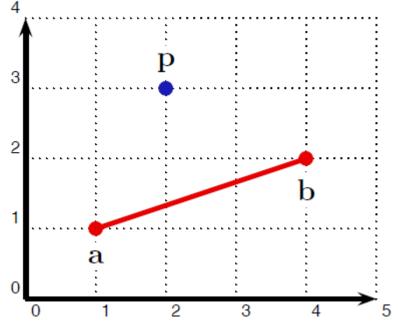
• In mathematics the right-handed basis is most often used.



In this basis any *positively* oriented pair is also a right-handed pair.



• How to determine whether a given point lies to the left or to the right of a given segment? 4





Cross product

$$egin{aligned} oldsymbol{a} imes oldsymbol{b} & oldsymbol{i} & oldsymbol{j} & oldsymbol{k} \ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \ \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_2b_3 - a_3b_2 \\ a_3b_1 - a_1b_3 \\ a_1b_2 - a_2b_1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Cross product

- $a \times b$ is orthogonal to both a and b
- $(a, b, a \times b)$ is positively oriented



Orthogonalization in 3D

 Orthogonalization of a right-handed basis in 3D using cross product:

•
$$c' = a \times b$$

•
$$b' = c' \times a$$

$$\mathbf{a}' = \mathbf{a}'$$



• A magical unicorn in your 3D world is flying in the direction given by vector \boldsymbol{v} .

• The user pushes the button "right", which should give an impulse to the unicorn towards the right (wrt its current flight direction). Compute the vector pointing to the right.



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Straight line

Parametric representation

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$$\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{a} + (1 - \lambda) \mathbf{b}$$

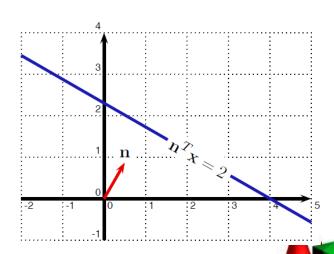
$$x = a + t(b - a)$$

Implicit representation

$$\mathbf{n}^T(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{p}$$

$$n_1x_1 + n_2x_2 - b = 0$$



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• A transformation $f: \mathcal{V}_1 \to \mathcal{V}_2$ is called *linear* (also *homomorphism*) if

$$f(\alpha x + y) = \alpha f(x) + f(y)$$

- Examples of linear transformations are:
 - Rotation around origin, scaling, shear,
 reflection, projection or combinations of those.



- Which of those are linear transformations?
 - f(x) = x
 - f(x) = -4x
 - f(x) = 4x + 4
 - $f(x) = x^2$
 - f(x) = 3
 - f(x) = 0



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 - f(x) = Ax
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 - f(x) = |a b x|
 - $f(x) = a \times x$
 - $f(x) = a^T x + |a b x| + a \times x + Ax$



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$$=2f_1-3f_2+4f_3$$



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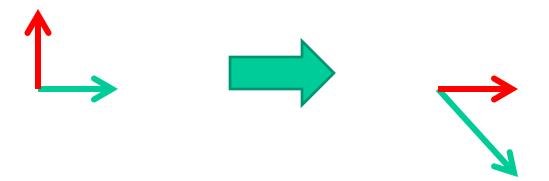


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$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$



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 Function composition is associative, hence matrix multiplications is too:

$$(f \otimes g) \otimes h = f \otimes (g \otimes h)$$

 $(FG)H = F(GH)$



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Sum of transformations corresponds to matrix sum:

$$(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) = (F+G)x$$



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Composition is distributive wrt sum:

$$(f+g) \otimes h = f \otimes h + g \otimes h$$

 $(F+G)H = FH + GH$



Rank

• Consider a linear transformation $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ it will always either:

- Map the whole 3D space to itself somehow
- Project the whole 3D space to a plane
- Project the whole 3D space to a line
- Map all points to 0.



Rank

• The dimensionality of the resulting space is the *rank* of *f* .

• If f is full rank (i.e. rank(f) = 3 in our case), it is *invertible*. Otherwise it is not.

• f is invertible $\Leftrightarrow \det(F) \neq 0$



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- Hence, $F^{-1} = F^T$

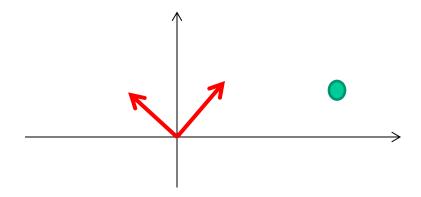


To compute the inverse of an orthogonal matrix, simply transpose it.



• You are standing at the origin, rotated with respect to the coordinate system, looking in the direction (0.3, 0.4) (your local "x" axis).

• At position (7,2) there is an object. What are the coordinates of this object with respect to you?





Examples

$$\mathbf{R}(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$S(a,b) = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Mir}_{y} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Sh}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{a}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Examples

Rotation around z axis:

$$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{Z}}(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha & 0\\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Rotation around y axis:

$$R_{z}(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & 0 & \sin \alpha \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \alpha & 0 & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$



Shift

• Shift (translation) is not a linear transformation.

• To deal with shifts we must introduce the notion of an *affine space* and *affine transformations*.



Vector space



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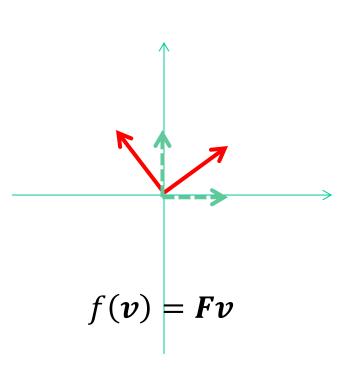
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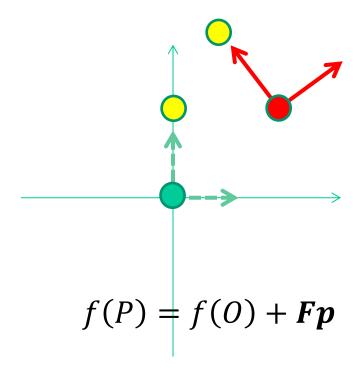
- Affine space
 - Vectors $\boldsymbol{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$
 - Points $P \in \mathbb{R}^3$
 - point+vector = point
 - Frame: $(0, \{e_1, e_2, e_3\})$
 - Affine transformations:

$$f(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{v}$$
$$f(P) = \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{F}\mathbf{p}$$



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- We shall represent the **points** of an affine space using 3-dimensional vectors of the form $(p_1, p_2, 1)^T$
- We shall represent the **vectors** of an affine space using 3-dimensional vectors of the form $(v_1, v_2, 0)^T$
- Any affine transformation is a matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} f_{11} & f_{12} & t_1 \\ f_{21} & f_{22} & t_2 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



- Analogously, for 3D space we use 4-dimensional vectors and 4x4 matrices.
- E.g. the following transformation rotates around z axis and shifts along x axis by 0.5:

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\cos \phi & -\sin \phi & 0 & 0.5 \\
\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
\hline
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}$$



• Note how the representation implicitly enforces the rules:

- vector + vector = vector
- point + vector = point
- point + point = undefined
- convex combination of points = point



• Rotation:

$$\mathbf{R}(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha & 0\\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• Scaling:

$$\mathbf{S}(a,b) = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• Translation: $T(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & x \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$



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