

# CS 174C Week 2

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## Vectors

- Vectors are n-tuples of scalar elements.

- $\vec{v} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), x_i \in \mathbb{R}$
- Magnitude:  $|v| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$
- Unit Vectors:  $v : |v| = 1$
- Normalizing a vector:  $\hat{v} = \frac{v}{|v|}$

- **Addition**

$$\vec{x} + \vec{y} = (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, \dots, x_n + y_n)$$

- **Multiplication with scalar (scaling)**

$$ax = (ax_1, \dots, ax_n), a \in \mathbb{R}$$

- **Properties**

$$u + v = v + u$$

$$(u + v) + w = u + (v + w)$$

$$a(u + v) = au + av, a \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$u - u = 0$$

## Linear Combination of Vectors

A linear combination of the  $m$  vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  is a vector of the form:

$$w = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m, a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{R}$$

### Special Cases:

- Linear Combination

$$w = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m, a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{R}$$

- Affine Combination

- A linear combination for which  $a_1 + \dots + a_m = 1$
- Convex Combination
  - An affine combination for which  $a_i \geq 0 \forall i = 1, \dots, m$

## Linear Independence

For vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_m$ , if  $a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m = 0$  if and only if  $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_m = 0$ , then the vectors are linearly independent.

## Generators and Base Vectors

How many vectors are needed to generate a vector space?

- Any set of vectors that generate a vector space is called a generator set
- Given a vector space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  we can prove that we need a minimum of  $n$  vectors to generate all vectors  $v$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- A generator set of minimum size is called a basis for the given vector space

## Standard Unit Vectors

$$v = (x_1, \dots, x_n), x_i \in \mathfrak{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= x_1(1, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 0) \\ &\quad + x_2(0, 1, 0, \dots, 0, 0) \\ &\quad \dots \\ &\quad + x_n(0, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

For any vector space  $\mathfrak{R}^n$ :

$$\begin{aligned} i_1 &= (1, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 0) \\ i_2 &= (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0, 0) \\ &\dots \\ i_n &= (0, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

## Standard Unit Vectors

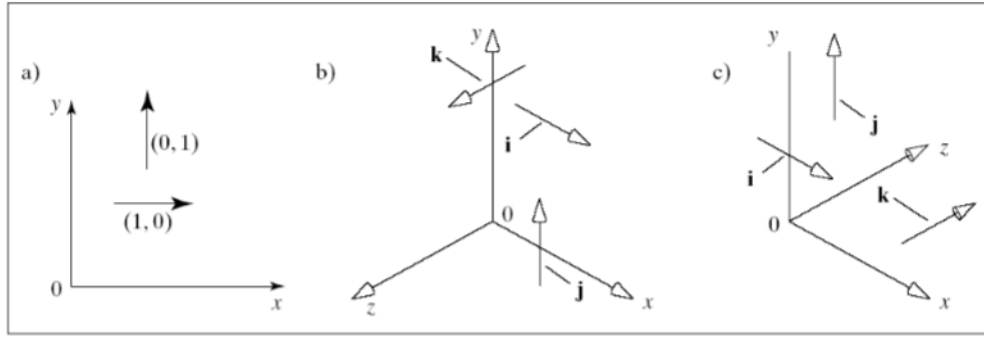
In 2D, the standard vectors are:

- $i = (1, 0)$
- $j = (0, 1)$

In 3D, the standard vectors are:

- $i = (1, 0, 0)$

- $j = (0, 1, 0)$
- $k = (0, 0, 1)$



Right handed

Left handed

## Representation of Vectors Through Basis Vectors

Given a vector space  $R^n$ , a set  $B$  of basis vectors  $\{b_i \in R^n, i = 1, \dots, n\}$ , and a vector  $v$  in  $R^n$  we can always find scalar coefficients such that:

$$v = a_1 b_1 + \dots + a_n b_n$$

So, vector  $v$  expressed with respect to  $B$  is:

$$v_B = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$$

That is, the elements of a vector  $v$  in  $R^n$  are the scalar coefficients of the linear combination of the base vectors that equals  $v$

## Dot Product

Definition:

$$\vec{w}, \vec{v} \in \mathfrak{R}^n$$

$$\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v} = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i v_i = w_0 \cdot v_0 + w_1 \cdot v_1 + \dots + w_n \cdot v_n$$

Properties:

1. Symmetry:  $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$
2. Linearity:  $(a + b) \cdot c = a \cdot c + b \cdot c$
3. Homogeneity:  $(sa) \cdot b = s(a \cdot b)$
4.  $|b|^2 = b \cdot b$
5.  $a \cdot b = |a| \cdot |b| \cos(\theta)$

- Two vectors are **perpendicular** if their dot product equals 0.
  - Acute if their dot products are greater than 0
  - Obtuse if their dot products are less than 0
- A vector  $\vec{v}$  dot product'ed with itself would produce the same vector, but with a magnitude of  $\|v\|^2$

### Orthogonal Projection:

$$u_v = \frac{(u \cdot v) \cdot v}{(v \cdot v)}$$

### Perpendicular Vectors

Vectors  $a$  and  $b$  are perpendicular if and only if  $a \cdot b = 0$ .

- Also called normal or orthogonal vectors
- The standard unit vectors form an orthogonal basis:
  - $i \cdot j = 0$
  - $j \cdot k = 0$
  - $i \cdot k = 0$

### Cross Product

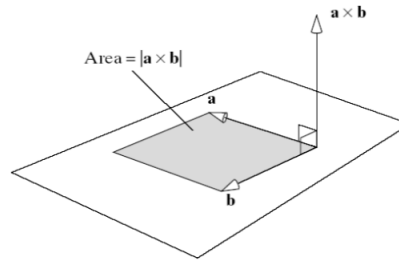
Defined only for 3D vectors and with respect to the standard unit vectors

$$a \times b = (a_y b_z - a_z b_y)i + (a_z b_x - a_x b_z)j + (a_x b_y - a_y b_x)k$$

$$a \times b = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ a_x & a_y & a_z \\ b_x & b_y & b_z \end{vmatrix}$$

### Properties of the Cross Product

1.  $i \times j = k, i \times k = -j, j \times k = i$
2. Antisymmetry:  $a \times b = -b \times a$
3. Linearity:  $a \times (b + c) = a \times b + a \times c$
4. Homogeneity:  $(sa) \times b = s(a \times b)$
5. The cross product is normal to both vectors:  $(a \times b) \cdot a = (a \times b) \cdot b = 0$
6.  $|a \times b| = |a||b|\sin(\theta)$



## Recap of Vectors

- Vector Spaces
  - Operations with vectors
- Representing vectors through a basis

$$v = a_1 b_1 + \dots + a_n b_n; v_b = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$$

- Standard unit vectors
- Dot product
  - Perpendicularity
- Cross product
  - Normal to both vectors of the product

## Matrices

Definition: Rectangular arrangement of scalar elements

$$A_{3 \times 3} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2.0 & 0.5 \\ 0.2 & -4.0 & 2.1 \\ 3 & 0.4 & 8.2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = (A_{ij})$$

## Special Square Matrices

- Zero:  $A_{ij} = 0 \forall i, j$
- Identity:  $I_n = \begin{cases} I_{ii} = 1 \forall i & I_{ij} = 0 \forall i \neq j \end{cases}$
- Symmetric:  $(A_{ij})_{n \times n} = (A_{ji})_{n \times n}$  or  $A = A^T$

## Operations with Matrices

### Addition

$$A_{m \times n} + B_{m \times n} = (a_{ij} + b_{ij})$$

Properties:

1.  $A + B = B + A$
2.  $A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$
3.  $f(A + B) = fA + fB$
4. Transpose:  $A^T = (a + ij)^T = (a_{ji})$

### Multiplication

$$C_{m \times r} = A_{m \times n} B_{n \times r}$$

$$(C_{ij} = (\sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj}))$$

Properties:

1.  $AB \neq BA$
2.  $A(BC) = (AB)C$
3.  $f(AB) = (fA)B$
4.  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ ,  $(B + C)A = BA + CA$
5.  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

### Inverse of a Square Matrix

$$MM^{-1} = M^{-1}M = I$$

Important property:

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

### Dot Product as a Matrix Multiplication

A vector is a column matrix

$$\begin{aligned} a \cdot b &= a^T b \\ &= (a_1, a_2, a_3) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3 \end{aligned}$$

## Vectors vs Points

- Vectors have size and direction but no location
- Points have location but no size or direction
- Problem: We represent both as triplets!

## Relationship Between Points and Vectors

- A difference between two points is a vector
- A point plus an offset vector is a point

This leads to the convention of representing points and vectors as column matrices:

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad P = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Coordinate Systems

Defined by:  $a, b, c, O$

$$v = v_1a + v_2b + v_3c$$

$$P - O = p_1a + p_2b + p_3c$$

$$P = O + p_1a + p_2b + p_3c$$

## Affine Transformations in 3D

General Form:

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & m_{13} & m_{14} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & m_{23} & m_{24} \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & m_{33} & m_{34} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Translations

$$\begin{pmatrix} Q_x \\ Q_y \\ Q_z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & T_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & T_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & T_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Scale Around the Origin

$$\begin{pmatrix} Q_x \\ Q_y \\ Q_z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Shear Around the Origin

Along x-axis:

$$\begin{pmatrix} Q_x \\ Q_y \\ Q_z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Rotation Around the Origin

There are three axes to rotate around.

$$R_x(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_y(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & \sin(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_z(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Rigid Body Transformations

- Includes **translations** and **rotations**
- Preserves angles and distances

## Inversion of Transformations

- Translation:  $T^{-1}(t_x, t_y, t_z) = T(-t_x, -t_y, -t_z)$
- Rotation:  $R_{axis}^{-1}(\theta) = R_{axis}(-\theta)$
- Scaling:  $S^{-1}(s_x, s_y, s_z) = S(\frac{1}{s_x}, \frac{1}{s_y}, \frac{1}{s_z})$
- Shearing:  $Sh^{-1}(a) = Sh(-a)$



## Inverse of Rotations

Pure rotation only, no scaling or shear

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & m_{13} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & m_{23} \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & m_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then,

$$M^{-1} = M^T$$

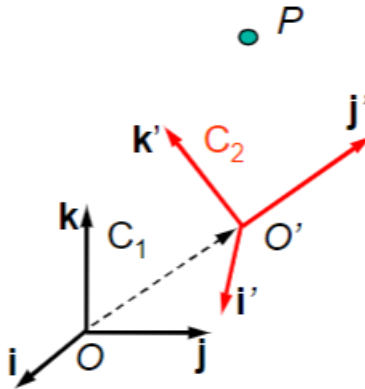
Since the rotation matrix  $M$  is an orthonormal matrix

## Transformations as a Change of Basis

$$P_{C_1} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i'_x & j'_x & k'_x & O'_x \\ i'_y & j'_y & k'_y & O'_y \\ i'_z & j'_z & k'_z & O'_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = MP_{C_2}$$

Note:

- $O = O_{C_1} = [0, 0, 0]^T$
- $MO = O' = [O'_x, O'_y, O'_z]^T$
- $i = i_{C_1} = [1, 0, 0]^T$
- $Mi = i' = [i'_x, i'_y, i'_z]^T$
- $j = j_{C_1} = [0, 1, 0]^T$
- $Mj = j' = [j'_x, j'_y, j'_z]^T$
- $k = k_{C_1} = [0, 0, 1]^T$
- $Mk = k' = [k'_x, k'_y, k'_z]^T$



## Composition of 3D Affine Transformations

The composition of affine transformations is an affine transformation. Any 3D affine transformation can be performed as a series of elementary affine transformations

## Rotation Representation Revisited

There are several possible representations

- Rotation matrix
- Fixed angle
- Euler angle
- Axis-angle
- Quaternion
- Exponential map

Composition and interpolation are desirable properties.

## Rotation Matrix Representation

- Extracting pure rotational component
- 3x3 matrix - 9 elements
- 3 orthogonality constraints
- 3 normalization constraints

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} m_{00} & m_{01} & m_{02} \\ m_{10} & m_{11} & m_{12} \\ m_{20} & m_{21} & m_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a \cdot b = 0, |a| = 1,$$

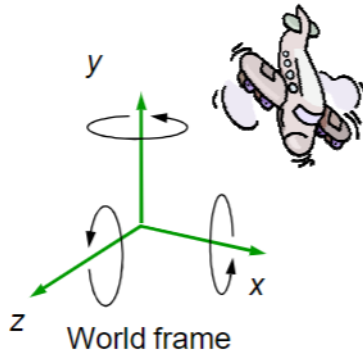
$$b \cdot c = 0, |b| = 1,$$

$$c \cdot a = 0, |c| = 1$$

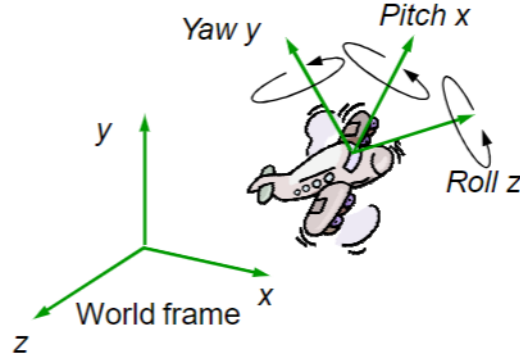
$$R^{-1} = R^T, \det(R) = +1$$

## Fixed Angle vs Euler Angle Representations

### Fixed axis (world)



### Roll, Pitch, Yaw (object)



- Many possible choices: x-y-z, y-x-z, z-x-y, etc.
- $R = R_z(\theta_3)R_y(\theta_2)R_x(\theta_1)$

Any Euler angle choice is equivalent to a reverse fixed angle formulation.

- Example:
  - Euler angles: z-x-y = Fixed angles: y-x-z

## Serious Problems with Euler Angles

- Gimbal Lock (loss of a rotational degree of freedom when interpolating using Euler angles)
  - Can create weird paths (swinging out of plane)
  - We would like minimum length path

## Axis-Angle Representation

Vector(axis):  $\mathbf{u}$

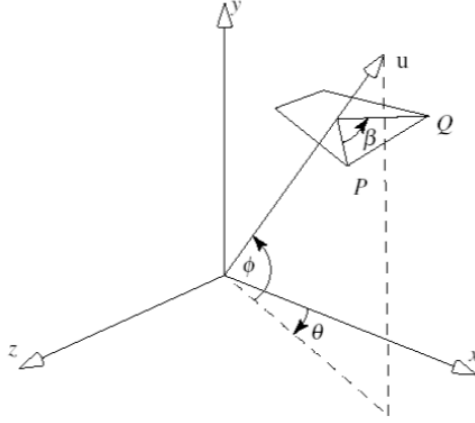
Rotation angle:  $\beta$

Method:

1. Two rotations to align  $\mathbf{u}$  with the x-axis:  $R_z(-\phi)R_y(\theta)$
2. Do x-roll by  $\beta$ :  $R_x(\beta)$
3. Undo the alignment:  $R_y(-\theta)R_z(\phi)$

All together:

$$R_u(\beta) = R_y(-\theta)R_z(\phi)R_x(\beta)R_z(-\phi)R_y(\theta)$$



## Complex Numbers and Rotation

Complex numbers can represent 2D rotations

$$z = a + ib = |z|(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta)) = |z|e^{i\theta}$$

Multiplication is equivalent to rotation around the origin

$$zw = |z||w|e^{i(\theta+\phi)}$$

## Quaternions

Extension of complex numbers using three imaginary quantities  $i, j, k$ .

$$q = a + bi + cj + dk, a, b, c, d \in \mathfrak{R}$$

Where:

- $i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = -1$
- $ij = -ji = k$
- $jk = -kj = i$
- $ki = -ik = j$

## Properties and Definitions

- $q = [s, x, y, z] = [s, v]$
- $[s_1, v_1] + [s_2, v_2] = [s_1 + s_2, v_1 + v_2]$
- $[s_1, v_1][s_2, v_2] = [s_1s_2 - v_1v_2, s_1v_2 + s_2v_1 + v_1 \times v_2]$
- $(q_1q_2)q_3 = q_1(q_2q_3)$

- $q_1 q_2 \neq q_2 q_1$
- $|q| = \sqrt{s^2 + x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Other Properties and Definitions

- Identity:  $q[1, 0, 0, 0] = q$
- Inverse:  $q^{-1} = (\frac{1}{|q|})^2(s, -v)$  and  $q^{-1}q = qq^{-1} = (1, 0, 0, 0)$
- Conjugate:  $\bar{q} = (s, -v)$
- $(pq)^{-1} = q^{-1}p^{-1}$

## Unit Quaternions

- Unit quaternions have unit norms
- Isomorphic to orientations
- General form:

$$q = (\cos(\theta), \sin(\theta)v), v \in \mathbb{R}^3, |v| = 1$$

- Equivalent to rotation by angle  $2\theta$  around the axis defined by  $\mathbf{v}$
- $q$  and  $-q$  are equivalent when interpreted as orientation

## Rotations with Quaternions

**Definition:**

- Quaternion  $q = (s, x, y, z) = (s, v)$
- Point(vector)  $u = (x, y, z) \rightarrow \hat{u} = (0, x, y, z)$
- $u' = \text{Rot}(u) = q\hat{u}q^{-1}$
- For unit quaternions the inverse is equivalent to the conjugate

## Successive Rotations

Rotate first by  $p$ , and then by  $q$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Rot}_q(\text{Rot}_p(\hat{u})) &= q(p\hat{u}p^{-1})q^{-1} \\ &= (qp)\hat{u}(p^{-1}q^{-1}) \\ &= (qp)\hat{u}(qp)^{-1} \\ &= \text{Rot}_{qp}(\hat{u}) \end{aligned}$$

## What Rotation Does $-q$ Represent?

That is, what angle and what axis?

$$\text{Rot}(\theta, v) \rightarrow q = [\cos(\frac{\theta}{2}), \sin(\frac{\theta}{2})v]$$

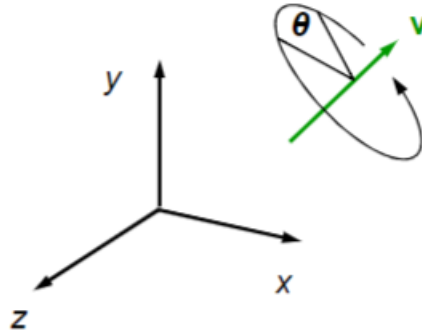
Now, for  $-\theta$  around  $-v$ , or  $2\pi - \theta$  around  $-v$

$$\begin{aligned} q' &= [\cos(\frac{2\pi - \theta}{2}), \sin(\frac{2\pi - \theta}{2})(-v)] \\ &= [\cos(\pi - \frac{\theta}{2}), -\sin(\pi - \frac{\theta}{2})v] \\ &= [-\cos(\frac{\theta}{2}), -\sin(\frac{\theta}{2})v] \\ &= -q \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\text{Rot}_{-q} = \text{Rot}_q$

## Quaternions vs Axis-Angle Representation

Rotate by  $\theta$  around  $v$



Equivalent quaternion

$$\text{Rot}(\theta, v) \rightarrow q = [\cos(\frac{\theta}{2}), \sin(\frac{\theta}{2})v]$$

## Exponential Map Representation

Three parameters:  $(v_1, v_2, v_3)$

- Vector direction: axis of rotation
- Vector magnitude: amount of rotation

$$\begin{aligned} v = [0, 0, 0] &\rightarrow e^{[0,0,0]^T} = [1, 0, 0, 0] \\ v \neq 0 &\rightarrow e^v = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\hat{v}\right)^m = (\cos(\frac{1}{2}\theta), \sin(\frac{1}{2}\theta)\bar{v}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $|v| = \theta$  and  $\bar{v} = \frac{v}{|v|}$

- Singularities for  $2n\pi$

- Numerically unstable when  $|v|$  is close to zero

## Which Representation Should We Use?

More than one, and there is no panacea!

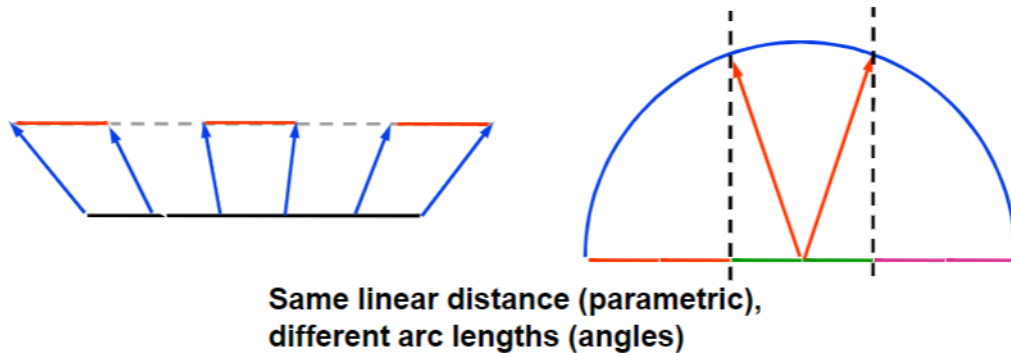
- Interface based on Euler angles
- Internal representation using quaternions
- Drawing using matrices

Depends on the application.

## Interpolating Quaternions

**Linear interpolation:** non-linear change in orientation

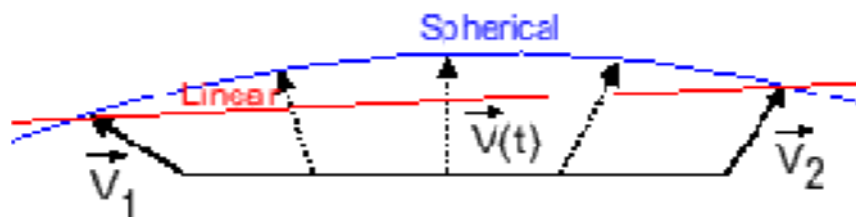
$$q = \text{lerp}(q_1, q_2, t) \text{ for } t \in [0, 1]$$



**Spherical linear interpolation:** Interpolate along a sphere (angles instead of trigonometric values)

$$\theta = q_1 \cdot q_2$$

$$\text{slerp}(q_1, q_2, t) = \frac{\sin((1-t)\theta)}{\sin(\theta)} q_1 + \frac{\sin(t\theta)}{\sin(\theta)} q_2$$



## Issues With Slerp

- Not necessarily unit result, needs renormalization

- First order discontinuity at keyframes
  - Need polynomial interpolation for smooth results
  - Polynomials on a sphere