# 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  $v_1, \ldots, v_m$  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  $a_1 + \cdots + a_m = 1$
- Convex Combination
  - An affine combination for which  $a_i \geq 0 \forall i = 1, \dots, m$

## Linear Independence

For vectors  $v_1, \ldots, v_m$ , if  $a_1v_1 + \cdots + a_mv_m = 0$  if and only if  $a_1 = a_2 = \cdots = a_m = 0$ , 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  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- A generator set of minimum size is called a basis for the given vector space

#### Standard Unit Vectors

$$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x_1(1, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 0) + x_2(0, 1, 0, \dots, 0, 0) + x_n(0, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 1)$$

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

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

$$i_1 = (1, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 0)$$
  
 $i_2 = (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0, 0)$   
...  
 $i_n = (0, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 1)$ 

#### Standard Unit Vectors

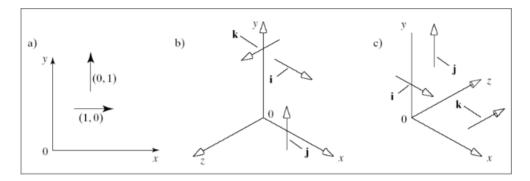
In 2D, the standard vectors are:

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

In 3D, the standard vectors are:

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

- 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  $\{b_i \in R^n, i = 1, ..., n\}$ , 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:

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

That is, the elements of a vector v in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  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

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

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

Properties of the Cross Product

1. 
$$i \times j = k$$
,  $i \times k = -j$ ,  $j \times k = i$ 

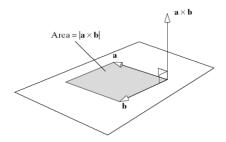
2. Antisymmetry:  $a \times b = -b \times a$ 

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

$$v = a_1b_1 + \dots + a_nb_n; v_b = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$$

• Standard unit vectors

• Dot product

- Perpendicularity

• Cross product

Normal to both vectors of the product

# Matrices

Definition: Rectangular arrangement of scalar elements

$$A_{3\times3} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2.0 & 0.5\\ 0.2 & -4.0 & 2.1\\ 3 & 0.4 & 8.2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

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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

$$a \cdot b = a^T b$$

$$= (a_1, a_2, a_3) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$$

#### 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:

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

# Coordinate Systems

Defined by: a, b, c, O

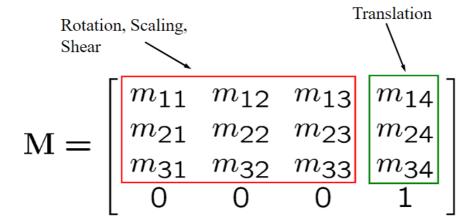
$$v = v_1 a + v_2 b + v_3 c$$

$$P - O = p_1 a + p_2 b + p_3 c$$

$$P = O + p_1 a + p_2 b + p_3 c$$

## Affine Transformations in 3D

General Form:



#### **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.

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

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# **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:

• 
$$O = O_{C_1} = [0, 0, 0]^T$$

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$$MO = O' = [O'_x, O'_y, O'_z]^T$$

• 
$$i = i_{C1} = [1, 0, 0]^T$$

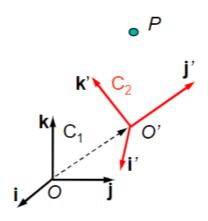
$$\bullet \ \mathbf{M}i=i'=[i'_x,i'_y,i'_z]^T$$

• 
$$j = j_{C1} = [0, 1, 0]^T$$

• 
$$\mathbf{M}j = j' = [j'_x, j'_y, j'_z]^T$$

• 
$$k = k_{C1} = [0, 0, 1]^T$$

• 
$$\mathbf{M}k = k' = [k'_x, k'_y, k'_z]^T$$



## 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) (object) Yaw y Pitch x Roll, Pitch, Yaw Roll z

World frame

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

World frame

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

 $\bullet \;$  Example:

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- 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**

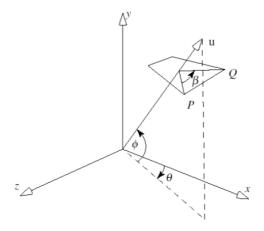
Vector(axis): u Rotation angle:  $\beta$ 

Method:

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

$$q = a + bi + cj + dk, a, b, c, d \in \Re$$

Where:

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

# Properties and Definitions

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

 $\bullet \ q_1q_2 \neq q_2q_1$ 

• 
$$|q| = \sqrt{s^2 + x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

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  ${\bf v}$ 

 $-\,$  q and -q are equivalent when interpreted as orientation

# Rotations with Quaternions

**Definition:** 

• Quaternion q = (s, x, y, z) = (s, v)

• Point(vector)  $u = (x, y, z) \rightarrow \hat{u} = (0, x, y, z)$ 

•  $u' = \operatorname{Rot}(u) = q\hat{u}q^{-1}$ 

• For unit quaternions the inverse is equivalent to the conjugate

#### **Successive Rotations**

Rotate first by p, and then by q.

$$Rot_q(Rot_p(\hat{u})) = q(p\hat{u}p^{-1})q^{-1}$$
$$= (qp)\hat{u}(p^{-1}q^{-1})$$
$$= (qp)\hat{u}(qp)^{-1}$$
$$= Rot_{qp}(\hat{u})$$

## What Rotation Does -q Represent?

That is, what angle and what axis?

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

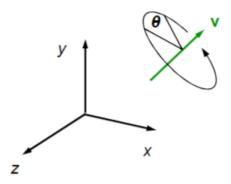
Now, for  $-\theta$  around -v, or  $2\pi - \theta$  around -v

$$q' = \left[\cos\left(\frac{2\pi - \theta}{2}\right), \sin\left(\frac{2\pi - \theta}{2}\right)(-v)\right]$$
$$= \left[\cos\left(\pi - \frac{\theta}{2}\right), -\sin\left(\pi - \frac{\theta}{2}\right)v\right]$$
$$= \left[-\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right), -\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)v\right]$$
$$= -q$$

Thus,  $Rot_{-q} = Rot_q$ 

## Quaternions vs Axis-Angle Representation

Rotate by  $\theta$  around v



Equivalent quaternion

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

## **Exponential Map Representation**

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

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

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

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!

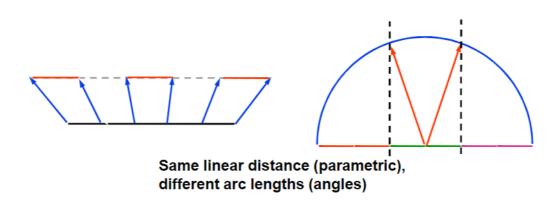
- Interface based on Euler angles
- Internal representation using quaternions
- Drawing using matrices

Depends on the application.

## **Interpolating Quaternions**

Linear interpolation: non-linear change in orientation

$$q = lerp(q_1, q_2, t)mt \in [0, 1]$$



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

$$heta=q_1\cdot q_2$$
  $slerp(q_1,q_2,t)=rac{\sin((1-t) heta)}{\sin( heta)}q_1+rac{\sin(t heta)}{\sin( heta)}q_2$  Soherical  $V(t)$ 

#### Issues With Slerp

• Not necessarily unit result, needs renormalization

- $\bullet$  First order discontinuity at key frames
  - Need polynomial interpolation for smooth results
  - Polynomials on a sphere