

CG – Assignment 01

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1.1) Let $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$ be vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 . Prove or disprove the following statements:

a) $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u})$ is the square of the length of \mathbf{u} :

- Let $\mathbf{u} = (a, b)$

$$(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}) = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = a^2 + b^2 = \sqrt{(a^2 + b^2)^2} = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2$$

b) $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2 + (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v})^2 = |\mathbf{u}|^2 |\mathbf{v}|^2$:

- Let $\mathbf{u} = (a, b)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (c, d)$

$$(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2 = \left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right)^2 = (ac + bd)^2$$

$$(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = (ad - dc)\mathbf{k}$$

- With \mathbf{k} being the unitary vector perpendicular to the plane containing \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

$$(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v})^2 = [(ad - dc)\mathbf{k}]^2 = (ad - dc)^2$$

- Now:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2 + (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v})^2 &= (ac + bd)^2 + (ad - dc)^2 \\ &= a^2c^2 + b^2d^2 + 2acbd + a^2d^2 + b^2c^2 - 2acbd \\ &= a^2c^2 + b^2d^2 + a^2d^2 + b^2c^2 \\ &= a^2(c^2 + d^2) + b^2(c^2 + d^2) \\ &= (a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = \sqrt{(a^2 + b^2)^2} + \sqrt{(c^2 + d^2)^2} = (a^2 + b^2) + (c^2 + d^2)$$

- Effectively proving $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2 + (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v})^2 = |\mathbf{u}|^2 |\mathbf{v}|^2$.

c) $|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}|^2 = |\mathbf{u}|^2 + |\mathbf{v}|^2 + 2(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})$:

- Let $\mathbf{u} = (a, b)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (c, d)$, so $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = (a + c, b + d)$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 &= (a^2 + b^2) \\ \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 &= (c^2 + d^2) \\ (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) &= (ac + bd) \end{aligned}$$

- Now:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 &= \left[\sqrt{(a + c)^2 + (b + d)^2} \right]^2 = (a + c)^2 + (b + d)^2 \\ &= a^2 + c^2 + 2ac + b^2 + d^2 + 2bd \\ &= a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 + 2(ac + bd) \\ &= \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 + 2(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \end{aligned}$$

d) $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2 = \mathbf{u}^2 \cdot \mathbf{v}^2$, where \mathbf{t}^2 , for vector \mathbf{t} , is defined as $\mathbf{t} \cdot \mathbf{t}$:

- Let $\mathbf{u} = (a, b)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (c, d)$

$$(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2 = (ac + bd)^2 = a^2c^2 + b^2d^2 + 2acbd$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}) &= a^2 + b^2 \text{ and } (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}) = c^2 + d^2 \\ (\mathbf{u}^2 \cdot \mathbf{v}^2) &= (a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d^2) = a^2c^2 + a^2d^2 + b^2c^2 + b^2d^2 \end{aligned}$$

- Comparing both results we can see that the condition is **not** met. Except for some special cases like $a=b=c=d$; or $a=c=1$ and $b=d=0$; or $a=b=1$ and $b=c=0$.

e) $\mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w})\mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})\mathbf{w}$:

- Let $\mathbf{u} = u_1\hat{\mathbf{i}} + u_2\hat{\mathbf{j}} + u_3\hat{\mathbf{k}}$; $\mathbf{v} = v_1\hat{\mathbf{i}} + v_2\hat{\mathbf{j}} + v_3\hat{\mathbf{k}}$; and $\mathbf{w} = w_1\hat{\mathbf{i}} + w_2\hat{\mathbf{j}} + w_3\hat{\mathbf{k}}$;
With $\hat{\mathbf{i}}$, $\hat{\mathbf{j}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{k}}$ being the unitary vectors for x , y , z in \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) &= \mathbf{u} \times \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{i}} & \hat{\mathbf{j}} & \hat{\mathbf{k}} \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \mathbf{u} \times [\hat{\mathbf{i}}(v_2w_3 - v_3w_2) - \hat{\mathbf{j}}(v_1w_3 - v_3w_1) + \hat{\mathbf{k}}(v_1w_2 - v_2w_1)] \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{i}} & \hat{\mathbf{j}} & \hat{\mathbf{k}} \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ (v_2w_3 - v_3w_2) & (v_1w_3 - v_3w_1) & (v_1w_2 - v_2w_1) \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{i}}[(u_2(v_1w_2 - v_2w_1) + u_3(v_1w_3 - v_3w_1))] \\ &\quad + \hat{\mathbf{j}}[(u_1(v_1w_2 - v_2w_1) - u_3(v_2w_3 - v_3w_2))] \\ &\quad + \hat{\mathbf{k}}[-(u_1(v_1w_3 - v_3w_1) - u_2(v_2w_3 - v_3w_2))] \end{aligned}$$

- This way, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) &= \hat{\mathbf{i}}[(u_2v_1w_2 - u_2v_2w_1 + u_3v_1w_3 - u_3v_3w_1)] \\ &\quad + \hat{\mathbf{j}}[(-u_1v_1w_2 + u_1v_2w_1 + u_3v_2w_3 - u_3v_3w_2)] \\ &\quad + \hat{\mathbf{k}}[(-u_1v_1w_3 + u_1v_3w_1 - u_2v_2w_3 + u_2v_3w_2)] \end{aligned}$$

- Now, using the same notation:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w})\mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})\mathbf{w} &= [(u_1\hat{\mathbf{i}} + u_2\hat{\mathbf{j}} + u_3\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \cdot (w_1\hat{\mathbf{i}} + w_2\hat{\mathbf{j}} + w_3\hat{\mathbf{k}})]\mathbf{v} \\ &\quad - [(u_1\hat{\mathbf{i}} + u_2\hat{\mathbf{j}} + u_3\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \cdot (v_1\hat{\mathbf{i}} + v_2\hat{\mathbf{j}} + v_3\hat{\mathbf{k}})]\mathbf{w} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{i}}[(u_1w_1v_1 + u_2w_2v_1 + u_3w_3v_1)] \\ &\quad + \hat{\mathbf{j}}[(u_1w_1v_2 + u_2w_2v_2 + u_3w_3v_2)] \\ &\quad + \hat{\mathbf{k}}[(u_1w_1v_3 + u_2w_2v_3 + u_3w_3v_3)] \\ &\quad - \hat{\mathbf{i}}[(u_1v_1w_1 + u_2v_2w_1 + u_3v_3w_1)] \\ &\quad + \hat{\mathbf{j}}[(u_1v_1w_2 + u_2v_2w_2 + u_3v_3w_2)] \\ &\quad + \hat{\mathbf{k}}[(u_1v_1w_3 + u_2v_2w_3 + u_3v_3w_3)] \end{aligned}$$

- We finally obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w})\mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})\mathbf{w} &= i[(u_2v_1w_2 + u_3v_1w_3 - u_2v_2w_1 - u_3v_3w_1)] \\
 &+ j[(u_1v_2w_1 + u_3v_2w_3 - u_1v_1w_2 - u_3v_3w_2)] \\
 &+ k[(u_1v_1w_3 + u_2v_2w_3 - u_1v_3w_1 - u_2v_3w_2)]
 \end{aligned}$$

- Equivalent to the expression obtained previously and proving that $\mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w})\mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})\mathbf{w}$.

f) $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w})$:

- Let $\mathbf{u} = (a, b)$; $\mathbf{v} = (c, d)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (e, f)$

$$(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w} = (ac + bd) \cdot (e, f) = (ace + bde, acf + bdf)$$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}) = (a, b) \cdot (ce + df) = (ace + adf, bce + bdf)$$

- Comparing both results we can see that the condition is **not** met. This was expectable, knowing that the dot product is **not** associative.

1.2) How are the values of pos, dir and up changing when the user decides to:

- Rotate left (yaw) by an angle α .
- Look up (pitch) by an angle β .
- Move forward by a distance d .

a) Space movement:

In this case, the relevant direction is **dir**, and as **up** might not be perpendicular to it, so we create an orthonormal basis from **v**.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{u} &= \frac{(\mathbf{dir} \times \mathbf{up})}{\|(\mathbf{dir} \times \mathbf{up})\|} \\
 \mathbf{v} &= \frac{(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{dir})}{\|(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{dir})\|} \\
 \mathbf{w} &= \frac{-(\mathbf{dir})}{\|\mathbf{dir}\|}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Rotate left by an angle α : **dir** rotates in the direction of vector **u**, **up** follows that rotation, **pos** does not change as it is a point. We first normalize the vectors, and then multiply them by their original length.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{dir}' &= \left(\frac{(\mathbf{dir})}{\|(\mathbf{dir})\|} - \tan(\alpha)\mathbf{u} \right) \|(\mathbf{dir})\| \\
 \mathbf{up}' &= \left(\frac{(\mathbf{up})}{\|(\mathbf{up})\|} - \tan(\alpha)\mathbf{u} \right) \|(\mathbf{up})\| \\
 \mathbf{pos}' &= \mathbf{pos}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Look up by an angle β : Same procedure, but in the direction of \mathbf{v} .

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{dir}' &= \left(\frac{(\mathbf{dir})}{\|(\mathbf{dir})\|} - \tan(\beta)\mathbf{v} \right) \|(\mathbf{dir})\| \\ \mathbf{up}' &= \left(\frac{(\mathbf{up})}{\|(\mathbf{up})\|} - \tan(\beta)\mathbf{v} \right) \|(\mathbf{up})\| \\ \mathbf{pos}' &= \mathbf{pos}\end{aligned}$$

- Move forward by a distance d : Vectors do not change with translations, only \mathbf{pos} will move in the direction of \mathbf{dir} , escalated by d

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{pos}' &= \mathbf{pos} + d \frac{(\mathbf{dir})}{\|(\mathbf{dir})\|} \\ \mathbf{dir}' &= \mathbf{dir} \\ \mathbf{up}' &= \mathbf{up}\end{aligned}$$

b) Ground Movement:

Now we have the restriction of the floor, this means that \mathbf{up} will be our relevant vector, and we will build our orthonormal base using it.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u} &= \frac{(\mathbf{dir} \times \mathbf{up})}{\|(\mathbf{dir} \times \mathbf{up})\|} \\ \mathbf{v} &= \frac{(\mathbf{up})}{\|(\mathbf{up})\|} \\ \mathbf{w} &= \frac{(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{up})}{\|(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{up})\|}\end{aligned}$$

- Rotate left by an angle α : similar to last case, but now \mathbf{up} won't change as it is fixed with the floor.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{dir}' &= \left(\frac{(\mathbf{dir})}{\|(\mathbf{dir})\|} - \tan(\alpha)\mathbf{u} \right) \|(\mathbf{dir})\| \\ \mathbf{up}' &= \mathbf{up} \\ \mathbf{pos}' &= \mathbf{pos}\end{aligned}$$

- Look up by an angle β : Again, same procedure, but in the direction of \mathbf{v} .

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{dir}' &= \left(\frac{(\mathbf{dir})}{\|(\mathbf{dir})\|} - \tan(\beta)\mathbf{v} \right) \|(\mathbf{dir})\| \\ \mathbf{up}' &= \mathbf{up} \\ \mathbf{pos}' &= \mathbf{pos}\end{aligned}$$

- Move forward by a distance d : Now we are restricted to move in the floor plain, so to find our direction we will need to project \mathbf{dir} into that ground plain $\rightarrow \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{dir} - \|\mathbf{dir}\| \tan(\gamma) \mathbf{v}$; with γ being the angle that \mathbf{dir} forms this the floor on \mathbf{up} direction:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{pos}' &= \mathbf{pos} + d \frac{\mathbf{p}}{\|\mathbf{p}\|} \\ \mathbf{dir}' &= \mathbf{dir} \\ \mathbf{up}' &= \mathbf{up} \end{aligned}$$