

Geometric & Graphics Programming Lab: Lecture 15

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Introduction

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- A model is either an instance of the `Model` class, or simply a pair (`vertices`, `cells`), where
- `vertices` is a two-dimensional array of floats arranged by rows
- `cells` is a list of lists of vertex indices

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- A structure gives a **graph of the scene**, since a substructure may be given a name, and referenced within other structures.
- The **structure network**, including references, can be seen as an **acyclic directed multigraph**
- **Struct** class, whose parameter is a list of either other structures, or models, or transformations of coordinates, or references to structures or models.

Assemblies

An assembly is an (unordered) list of models all embedded in the same coordinate space, i.e. all using the same coordinate system (the world coordinate system, WCS)

- An assembly may be either defined by the user as a list of models, or automatically generated by the traversal of a structure network.
- At traversal time, all the structures and models are transformed from local coordinate systems to the world coordinates, that correspond to the coordinate frame of the root of the traversed network.
- An assembly is the linearised version of the traversed structure network, where all the models are using the world coordinate system.

Affine transformations larlib

Design decision `larlib`

- assume `scipy`'s `ndarray` as type of vertices, stored in row-major order;
- use the last coordinate as homogeneous coordinate of vertices, but do not store it explicitly;
- store explicitly the homogeneous coordinate of transformation matrices.
- use labels `verts` and `mat` to distinguish between vertices and transformation matrices.
- transformation matrices are dimension-independent
- `mat` dimension is computed as the length of parameter vector passed to the generating function.

Elementary transformations: Translation matrices

```
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)
```

Elementary transformations: Scaling matrices

```
def s(*args):  
    d = len(args)  
    mat = scipy.identity(d+1)  
    for k in range(d):  
        mat[k,k] = args[k]  
    return mat.view(Mat)
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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;
```

Elementary transformations: rotation matrices

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) @>
```

elementary rotations (in 3D)

```
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;
    mat[1,0] = sin;    mat[1,1] = cos;
```

Elementary transformations: rotation matrices

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]],
        [u[1]*u[0],    u[1]*u[1],    u[1]*u[2]],
        [u[2]*u[0],    u[2]*u[1],    u[2]*u[2]]])
    mat[:3,:3] = cos*I + sin*Ux + (1.0-cos)*UU

```


Hierarchical complexes

Hierarchical models of assemblies are generated by an aggregation of subassemblies

each one defined in a local coordinate system, and relocated by affine transformations of coordinates

- each elementary part and each assembly, at every hierarchical level, are defined independently from each other, using a local coordinate frame, suitably chosen to make its definition easier
- only one copy of each component is stored in the memory, and may be instantiated in different locations and orientations how many times it is needed.

Traversal algorithm

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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 CTM, o[i]
        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)

```

Examples of multigraph traversal

```
data = [1,"A", 2, 3, "B", [4, "C", 5], [6,"D", "E", 7, 8], 9]
print algorithm(data)
```

```
>>> ['I'] 1
      ['I', 'A'] 2
      ['I', 'A'] 3
      ['I', 'A', 'B'] 4
      ['I', 'A', 'B', 'C'] 5
      ['I', 'A', 'B'] 6
      ['I', 'A', 'B', 'D', 'E'] 7
      ['I', 'A', 'B', 'D', 'E'] 8
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Algorithm: geometric structure traversal

Script 8.3.1 (Traversal of a multigraph)

```

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

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

proc TRAVERSEARC ( $a = (n, m) : \text{arc}$ ) {
    Stack.push ( $CTM$ );
     $CTM := CTM * a.mat$ ;
    TraverseNode ( $m$ );
     $CTM := \text{Stack.pop}()$ 
}

proc PROCESSNODE ( $n : \text{node}$ ) {
    foreach  $\text{object} \in n$  do Process(  $CTM * \text{object}$  )
}

```

LAR-CC implementation

Algorithm: geometric structure traversal

decides between different cases, depending on the type of the current object

```
def traversal(CTM, stack, obj, scene=[]):
    for i in range(len(obj)):
        if isinstance(obj[i], Model):
            scene += [larApply(CTM)(obj[i])]
        elif (isinstance(obj[i], tuple) or isinstance(obj[i], list)) and (
            len(obj[i]) == 2 or len(obj[i]) == 3):
            scene += [larApply(CTM)(obj[i])]
        elif isinstance(obj[i], Mat):
            CTM = scipy.dot(CTM, obj[i])
        elif isinstance(obj[i], Struct):
            stack.append(CTM)
            traversal(CTM, stack, obj[i], scene)
            CTM = stack.pop()
    return scene
```

- If the object is a Model instance, then applies to it the CTM matrix;
- else if the object is a Mat instance, then the CTM matrix is updated by (right) product with it;
- else if the object is a Struct instance, then the CTM is pushed on the stack, initially empty,
- 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 larlib 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)))))
```

Example: Table and chairs

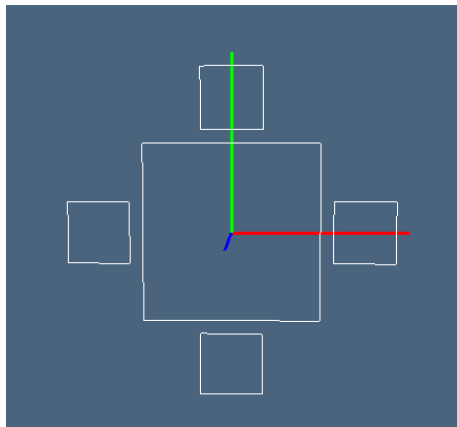


Figure 2: Table and chairs: non-nested list

A different composition of transformations, from local to global coordinate frames, is used in the following example.

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chair = larApply( t(.75, 0) )(chair)
struct = Struct([table] + 4*[chair, r(PI/2)])
scene = evalStruct(struct)
VIEW(SKEL_1(STRUCT(CAT(AA(MKPOLS)(scene)))))
```

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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table = larApply( t(-.5,-.5) )(square)
chair = Struct([ t(.75, 0), s(.35,.35), table ])
struct = Struct( [t(2,1)] + [table] + 4*[r(PI/2), chair])
struct = Struct(10*[struct,t(0,2.5)])
scene = Struct(10*[struct,t(3,0)])
VIEW(SKEL_1(STRUCT(MKPOLS(struct2lar(scene)))))

```


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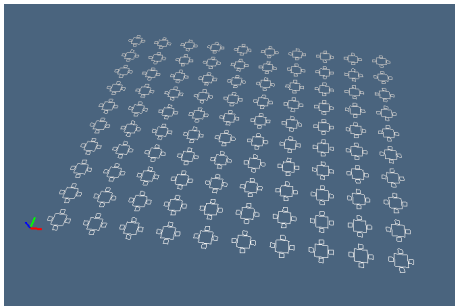


Figure 3: Table and chairs: nesting one (or more) structures

2D robot arm

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

```
from larlib 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] + joint(a2)
                  + [link] + joint(a3) + [link])

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

Example: 2D robot arm (1ar-cc package)

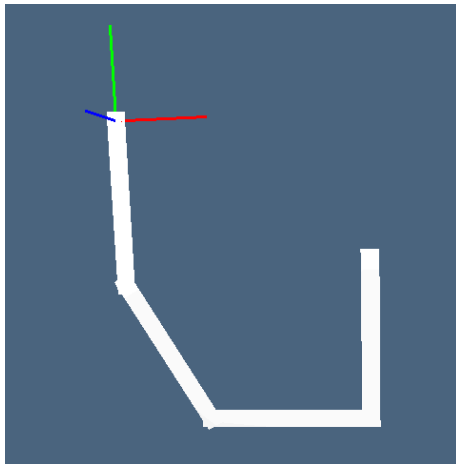


Figure 4: 2D robot arm (1ar-cc package)

Example: 2D robot arm (pyplasm package)

```
from pyplasm import *

link = T([1,2])([-1,-19])(CUBOID([2,20]))

def joint(a):
    return COMP([T(2)(-18), R([1,2])(a*PI/180)])

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

VIEW(arm(30,60,90))
```

Example: 2D robot arm (pyplasm package)

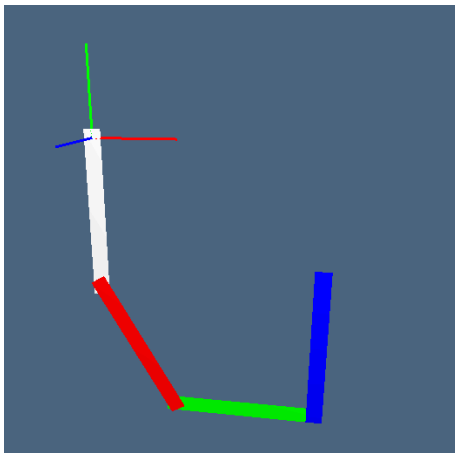


Figure 5: 2D robot arm (pyplasm package)