Graphics 2 exercise classes

Exercise 7

Change of a coordinate system – preparation for virtual camera viewing and projections

1. (Pen and paper exercise)

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3. Write Matlab implementation of exercises 1 and 2. Matlab file ex7_triangles.m includes code for the definition and display of the triangle. Matlab functions related to transformation matrix definitions, some vector operations etc are listed below

Relevant Matlab functions

- dot product of two vectors: dot (A, B)
- cross product of two vectors: cross (A, B)
- vector length: vlength (A, B)
- define a transformation matrix for translation by vector A: makehgtform('translate', A)
- define a transformation matrix for rotation by t radians:

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about X axis: makehgtform('xrotate',t)
about Y axis: makehgtform('yrotate',t)
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about Z axis: makehgtform('zrotate',t)

- define an identity matrix of size n x n: eye (n)