Game Engine Architecture

Chapter 5
3D Math for Games

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Topics

Math for games

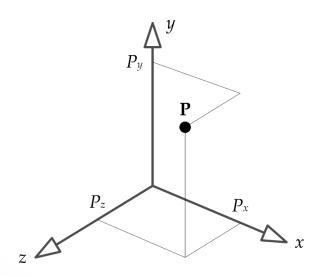
- Points and Vectors
- Matrices
- Quaternions
- Comparison of rotational representations
- Other useful math objects
- Hardware-accelerated SIMD Math
- Random Number Generation

2D as a Start

- Most operations in 3D also make sense in 2D
- Always use 2D as a basis, it'll help

Points and vectors

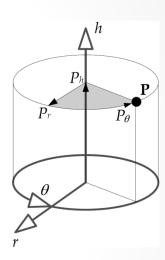
- A point is a location in n-dimensional space
- Usually represented in Cartesian space
 - Two or three mutually perpendicular axes
 - o A point is a triple of numbers (P_x, P_y, P_z)



Other systems

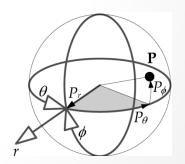
Cylindrical

- Employs a height axis (h), a radial axis (r), and a yaw angle (θ)
- o Points represented as (P_h, P_r, P_θ)



Spherical

- o Pitch(ϕ), yaw(θ), and radial (r)
- o Points represented as $(P_r, P_{\phi}, P_{\theta})$

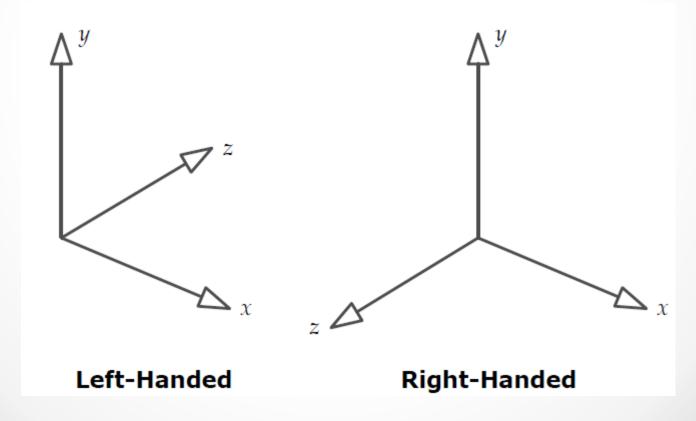


Picking a system

- Most people use Cartesian
- Sometimes it is easier to use something else
 - Swirling objects around a character are easier in cylindrical
 - Explosions may be easier in spherical

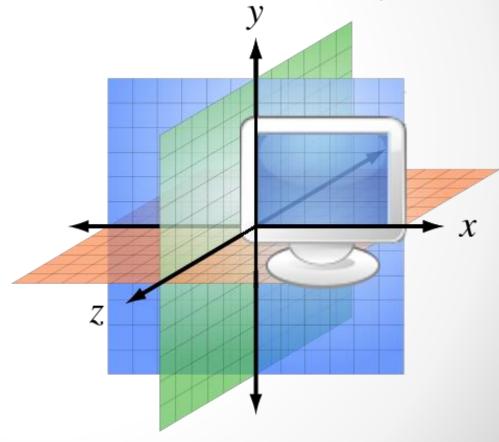
Left vs Right

 When using Cartesian coordinates, you get to choose either left or right handed coordinate systems



Ogre

 Ogre is using a right-handed coordinate system like OpenGL (DirectX by default is left-handed)



Left vs Right

- Converting is easy, flip the direction of any one axis.
- Graphics programmers typically pick left-handed with y pointing up, x to the right, and z pointing into the screen
- Helps with z-buffering

Vectors

- Vector have
 - Magnitude
 - o Direction
- Extend from the tail toward the head
- Differs from a scalar because of the direction
- Technically represents an offset relative to a known point
- Can be used to represent a point if it is relative to the origin
 - Called a position vector versus direction vector

Basis Vectors

- Sometimes useful to define orthogonal unit vectors
 - o i is along the x-axis
 - o **j** is along the y-axis
 - o **k** is along the z-axis
- Can now represent points as the sum of scalars multiplied by the unit vectors

$$(5,3,-2) = 5i + 3j - 2k$$

Vector Operations

 Multiply by a scalar - scales the magnitude without affecting direction

$$s\mathbf{a} = (sa_x, sa_y, sa_z)$$
 v \mathbf{a}_{2v}

Non-uniform scaling

$$\mathbf{s} \otimes \mathbf{a} = (s_x a_x, s_y a_y, s_z a_z)$$

$$a\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} a_x & a_y & a_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_x s_x & a_y s_y & a_z s_z \end{bmatrix}$$

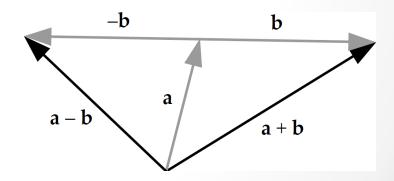
Vector operations

Addition and Subtraction

$$a + b = [(a_x + b_x), (a_y + b_y), (a_z + b_z)]$$

$$a - b = [(a_x - b_x), (a_y - b_y), (a_z - b_z)]$$

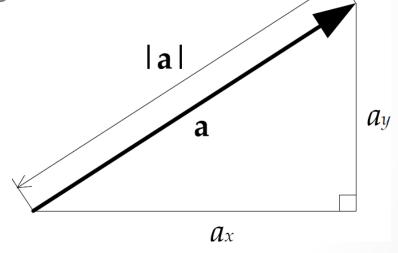
- Points and directions
 - direction + direction = direction
 - direction direction = direction
 - o point + direction = point
 - point point = direction
 - point + point = crap



Vector Operations

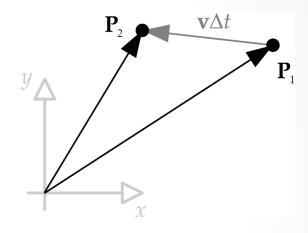
- Calculating magnitude think of it as distance
- We can use the Pythagorean theorem to calculate a vector's magnitude

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{a_x^2 + a_y^2 + a_z^2}$$

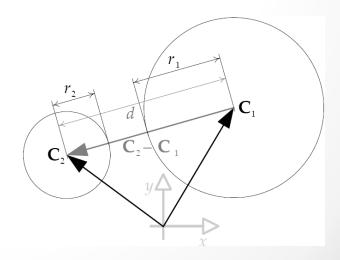


Use of Vector Operations

- Moving objects
 - $\circ \quad \mathbf{P}_2 = \mathbf{P}_1 + \mathbf{v} \Delta t$



- Object collision
 - o if $d < r_1 + r_2$ then they collide
 - o Faster to compare $d^2 < (r_1 + r_2)^2$



Unit Vectors

- Sometimes you need a unit length vector in the same direction as the original called normalization, not a normal vector $\mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|} = \frac{1}{v}\mathbf{v}$
- A vector is said to be normal to a surface if it is perpendicular to that surface.
- Lighting calculations make heavy use of normal vectors to define the direction of surfaces relative to the direction of the light rays.
- Normal vectors are usually of unit length

DOT product

Add the components of the vector

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = a_x b_x + a_y b_y + a_z b_z$$

Also written as

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = |a||b|\cos(\theta)$$

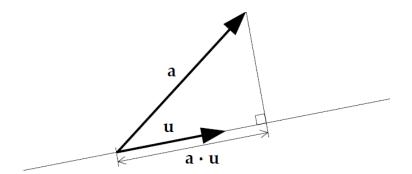
It is commutative, distributive, and works with scalar multiplication

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{a}$$

 $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c}$
 $s\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \cdot s\mathbf{b} = s(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b})$

Vector Projection

- If \mathbf{u} is a unit vector: $|\mathbf{u}| = 1$
- then the dot product of a and u represents the length of the projection of a onto u

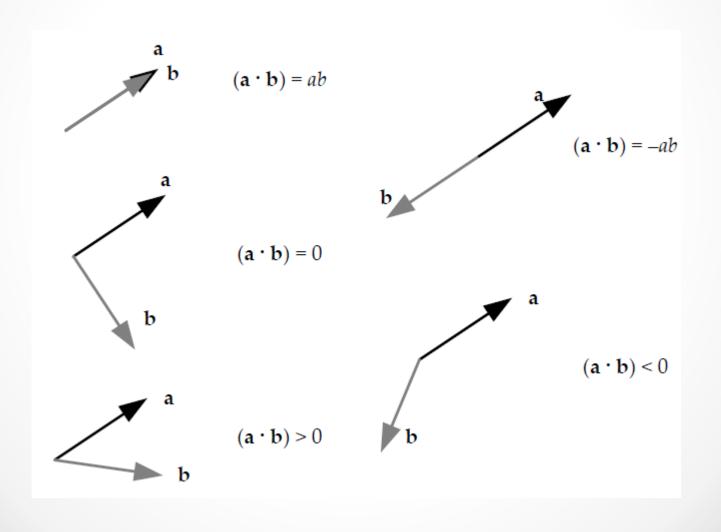


Magnitude

 You can use the dot product to find the magnitude as well

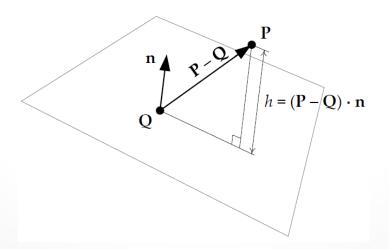
$$|\mathbf{a}|^2 = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}$$
$$|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}}$$

Useful Dot Product Tests



Other applications

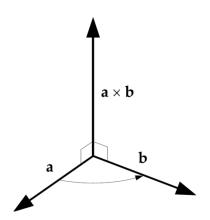
- Visibility can player P see enemy E
 - \circ **v** = E-P gives the relative position of E in relation to P
 - o if \mathbf{f} is the facing vector of P then when $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{f}$ is negative E is behind P
- If we define a plane as a point Q and a normal n then we can find the height h of a point P above the plane using projection



Cross Product

Yields another vector that is perpendicular to the vectors being multiplied

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \left[(a_y b_z - a_z b_y), (a_z b_x - a_x b_z), (a_x b_y - a_y b_x) \right]$$
$$= (a_y b_z - a_z b_y) \mathbf{i} + (a_z b_x - a_x b_z) \mathbf{j} + (a_x b_y - a_y b_x) \mathbf{k}$$

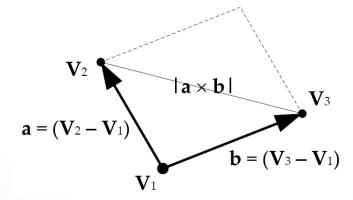


Magnitude of X-product

 Magnitude of the cross product is the area of the parallelogram formed by the two vectors

$$|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| = |a||b|\sin(\theta)$$

$$A_{triangle} = \frac{1}{2} |(V_2 - V_1) \times (V_3 - V_1)|$$



Properties of the cross product

It is not commutative

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} \neq \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}$$

It is anti-commutative

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}$$

Distributive over addition

$$\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} + (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c})$$

Combine with scalar multiplication

$$(s\mathbf{a}) \times \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \times (s\mathbf{b}) = s(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b})$$

Cartesian basis vector are related by cross product

$$(i \times j) = k$$
 $(j \times k) = i$ $(k \times i) = j$

Uses of the cross product

- Finding a vector that is perpendicular to two other vectors
- Finding the normal vector to a plane

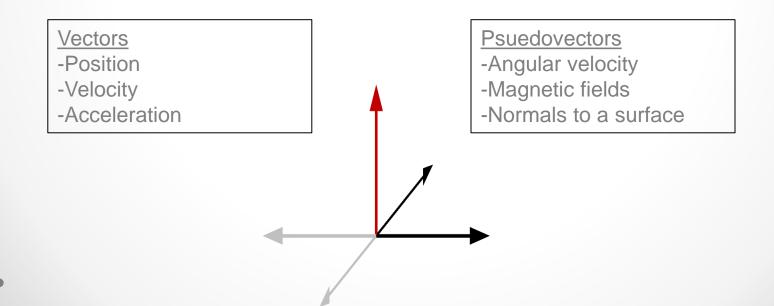
$$\mathbf{n} = normalize((\mathbf{P}_2 - \mathbf{P}_1) \times (\mathbf{P}_3 - \mathbf{P}_1))$$

- Calculate torque
 - o Given a force F and a vector r from the center of mass the torque is

$$\mathbf{N} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$$

Pseudovectors

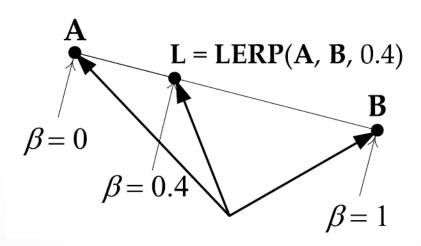
- Cross product doesn't actually produce a vector
 - Creates a pseudovector
- Difference is quite subtle only apparent on reflection
 - Vectors reflect to mirror image
 - o Pseudovectors reflect to mirror image, but also change direction



LERP

A simple linear interpolation between 2 points
 (β ranges from 0 to 1)

$$\mathbf{L} = \text{LERP}(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \beta) = (1 - \beta)\mathbf{A} + \beta\mathbf{B}$$
$$= \left[(\mathbf{1} - \beta)\mathbf{A}_{x} + \beta\mathbf{B}_{x}, (\mathbf{1} - \beta)\mathbf{A}_{y} + \beta\mathbf{B}_{y}, (\mathbf{1} - \beta)\mathbf{A}_{z} + \beta\mathbf{B}_{z} \right]$$



Matrices

A matrix is a rectangular array of m x n scalars

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

- They are convenient for representing translation, rotation, and scale operations
- When all rows and columns are of unit magnitude it is called isotropic or orthonormal – represent pure rotations

4x4 Matrix

- Sometimes 4x4 matrices are used to represent 3D transformations
 - They call them transformation matrices
- Affine matrix is a 4 x 4 transformation matrix that
 - Preserves parallelism of line
 - Relative distance ratio
 - Not necessarily absolute lengths and angles
- Affine matrix is any combination of translation, rotations, scale or shear

Matrix Multiplication

- The product of two matrices is written as P=AB, if A and B are transformation matrices then so is P
- Multiplication is done by taking the dot products of the rows of $\bf A$ and the columns of $\bf B$. The inner dimensions must be the same $n_A=m_B$.

Multiplication

P = AB

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} = A_{row1} \cdot B_{col1} & P_{12} = A_{row1} \cdot B_{col2} & P_{13} = A_{row1} \cdot B_{col3} \\ P_{21} = A_{row2} \cdot B_{col1} & P_{22} = A_{row2} \cdot B_{col2} & P_{23} = A_{row2} \cdot B_{col3} \\ P_{31} = A_{row3} \cdot B_{col1} & P_{32} = A_{row3} \cdot B_{col2} & P_{33} = A_{row3} \cdot B_{col3} \end{bmatrix}$$

 $AB \neq BA$

Points and Vectors as Matrices

- Can represent points or vectors as row matrices (1 x n) or column matrices (n x 1)
- For example $\mathbf{v} = (3, 4, -1)$ can be

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = [3 \ 4 \ -1]$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{v}_1^T$$

Vector X Matrix

If multiplying a row vector (1 x n) by an n x n matrix,
 the vector appears on the left

$$\mathbf{v}_{1\times n}' = \mathbf{v}_{1\times n}\mathbf{M}_{n\times n}$$

If multiplying an n x n matrix by a column vector (n x
 1) the vector appears on the right

$$\mathbf{v}_{n\times 1}' = \mathbf{M}_{n\times n}\mathbf{v}_{n\times 1}$$

- $\mathbf{v}' = ((v\mathbf{A})\mathbf{B})\mathbf{C}$ row vectors: read left-to-right
- $\mathbf{v}'^T = (\mathbf{C}^T (\mathbf{B}^T (\mathbf{A}^T v^T)))$ column vectors: read right-to-left

Identity matrix

- Usually donated by the symbol I
- Always square (n==m) with the diagonals = 1 and 0 everywhere else

$$\mathbf{I}_{3\times3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AI \equiv IA \equiv A$$

Inverse Matrix

- An inverse matrix A (denoted A⁻¹) undoes the effects of matrix A
- When you multiply a matrix by its inverse, the result is always the identity matrix $A(A^{-1}) \equiv (A^{-1})A \equiv I$
- Not all matrices have inverses. The ones in game development do.
- Undoing concatenated matrices requires special care

$$(ABC)^{-1} = C^{-1}B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

Transposition

- The transpose of matrix M is M^T
- Found by reflecting across the diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{bmatrix}$$

- Inverse of an orthonormal (pure rotation) matrix is equal to its transpose
- Transpose of concatenated matrices is handled like inverse

$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{C})^T = \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T$$

Homogeneous Coordinates

 A 2x2 matrix can be used to represent rotations in 2 dimensions

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_x' & r_y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_x & r_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix}$$

The same is true for 3 dimensions

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_x' & r_y' & r_z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_x & r_y & r_z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi & 0 \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Translations?

- Can you use a 3 x 3 to represent a translation?
- Nope $\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{t} = [r_x + t_x \quad r_y + t_y \quad r_z + t_z]$
- We can however use a 4 x 4

$$\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} r_x & r_y & r_z & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ t_x & t_x & t_x & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= [r_x + t_x \quad r_y + t_y \quad r_z + t_z \quad 1]$$

Points versus Vectors

- Remember points and vectors are different
 - o Points can be translated, vectors cannot
- We can achieve this by setting the last value in the homogenized vector to 1 for point and 0 for vectors
 - Eliminates the effects of translations

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U & 0 \\ \mathbf{t} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (\mathbf{v}\mathbf{U} + 0\mathbf{t}) & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}\mathbf{U} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

 Technically we can convert from 4D homogeneous to 3D non-homogeneous by dividing

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & z & w \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x}{w} & \frac{y}{w} & \frac{z}{w} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now makes sense why we set w=0 for vectors

Atomic transformation matrices

 Notice that a 4 x 4 transformation matrix can be partitioned into 4 components

$$M_{affine} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{U}_{3\times3} & \mathbf{0}_{3\times1} \\ \mathbf{t}_{1\times3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- U represents rotation and/or scaling
- trepresents the translation
- $0 = [0 \ 0 \ 0]^{\mathsf{T}}$
- o a scalar 1

Point times Atomic

When you multiply a point by a matrix the result is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}'_{1\times3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}_{1\times3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{U}_{3\times3} & \mathbf{0}_{3\times1} \\ \mathbf{t}_{1\times3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{t} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Atomic translation

Previous translation matrix

Now be written as

$$\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} r_x & r_y & r_z & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ t_x & t_x & t_x & 1 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} r & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ t & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [r + t & 1]$$

The inversion is just the negation of t

Atomic Rotation

Pure rotations have the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} r & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} rR & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotations

- The 1 within the rotation matrix always appears on the axis of rotation, the sine and cosine are off axis
- Positive rotations go from
 - o x to y about z
 - o y to z about x
 - o z to x about y this explains the transpose of the matrix
- The inverse of a pure rotation is its transpose

• Rotate_x(
$$\mathbf{r}, \alpha$$
) = [r_x r_y r_z 1]
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Scaling

Written as

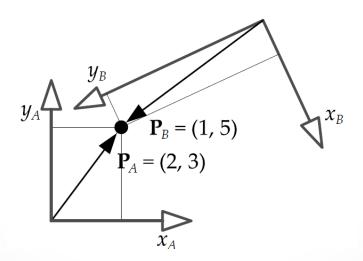
Shorthand of

$$rS = \begin{bmatrix} r_x & r_y & r_z & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 [r 1] $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{S}_{3\times3} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{rS}_{3\times3} \quad 1]$

- To invert scaling just use the reciprocals of the scaling factors
- If all the scaling factors are the same it is called uniform scaling

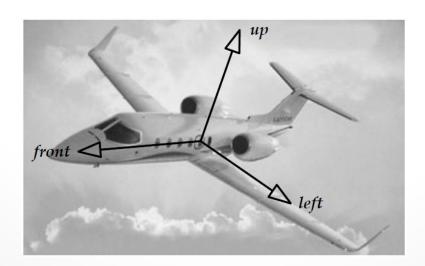
Coordinate Spaces

- We can think of a point as being a vector relative to a given set of axes
- The axes are just for a frame of reference and are referred to as a coordinate space



Model space

- When a model is created, the vertices are relative to a coordinate system called model space
- Model space origin is usually in the center of the object
- Model space axes are usually named something like front, left, and up



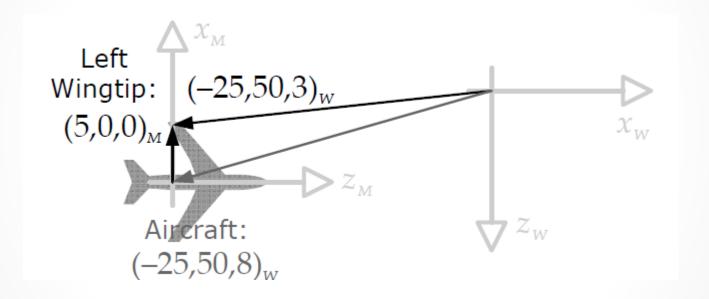
Mapping model to world

- The mapping can be arbitrary
 - o Front = \mathbf{k} , Left = \mathbf{i} , Up = \mathbf{j} Or Front = \mathbf{i} , Right = \mathbf{k} , Up = \mathbf{j}
- Why use model space?
 - o Consider pitch, yaw, and roll
 - They cannot be represented in terms of i, j, k

World Space

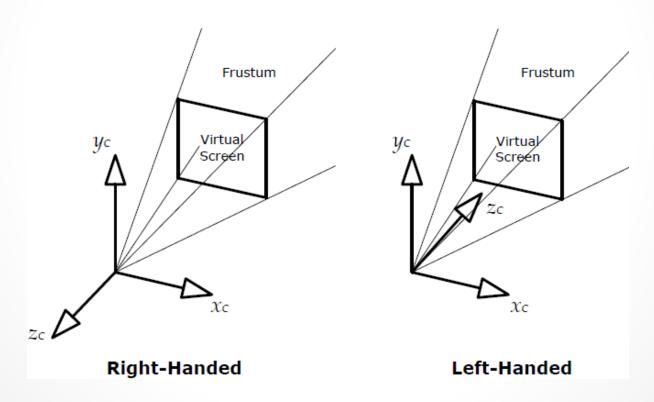
- A fixed coordinate system where the objects, orientations, and scales are defined
- Center usually placed at the center of the playable area
- The orientation is arbitrary but usually y or z is up

Model to world



View space

A coordinate space fixed to the location of the camera



Change of basis

- All coordinate spaces are relative
 - You must specify them in relation to another space
- This implies a hierarchy of spaces
 - The world space is at the root
- The camera has a location in world space, so its view space has the world space as a parent

Change of basis matrix

 The matrix from transforming a child to parent space is called

$$\mathbf{M}_{C \to P}$$

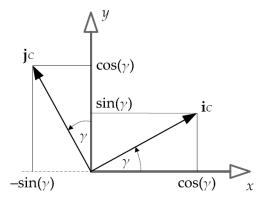
 With the matrix any child-space position can be transformed into a parent-space position

$$\mathbf{P}_P = \mathbf{P}_C \mathbf{M}_{C \to P}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{C \to P} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_C & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{j}_C & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{k}_C & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{t}_C & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_{Cx} & \mathbf{i}_{Cy} & \mathbf{i}_{Cz} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{j}_{Cx} & \mathbf{j}_{Cy} & \mathbf{j}_{Cz} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{k}_{Cx} & \mathbf{k}_{Cy} & \mathbf{k}_{Cz} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{t}_{Cx} & \mathbf{t}_{Cy} & \mathbf{t}_{Cz} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} \mathbf{i}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit x-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{j}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit y-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent space} \\ \mathbf{k}_{\text{C}} & \text{unit z-axis basis vector of child in parent spac$$

An example

• Consider a child space rotating by γ around the z-axis



• We can see that $i_{\mathbf{C}} = [\cos \gamma \quad \sin \gamma \quad 0]$ and $j_{\mathbf{C}} = [-\sin \gamma \quad \cos \gamma \quad 0]$

Child to Parent

• By putting these into our mapping equation with $k_{\rm C} = [0 \ 0 \ 1]$ we get

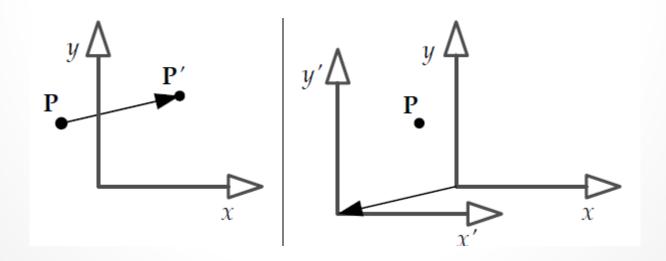
$$\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{P}} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \gamma & \sin \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = rotate_z(r, \gamma)$$

Extracting the basis

- Given a 4 X 4 transformation matrix we can extract the unit basis vectors by grabbing the proper row
- Say you have a vehicle's model-to-world affine matrix and assume the vehicle always points in the positive z-axis
- We can extract \mathbf{k}_{c} from the transformation to get the vehicle facing direction (by grabbing its third row)

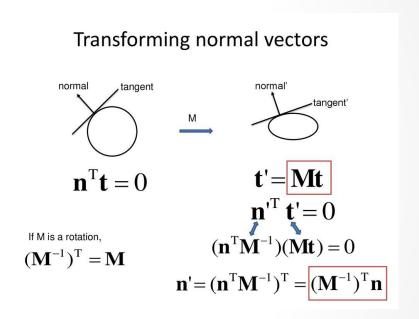
Confusion

- You can transform a coordinate system as well as a point, but in the opposite direction
- So, if a matrix transforms a point from child to parent space, then it also transforms coordinate axes from parent to child space



Transforming normal vectors

- Remember a normal vector has to remain perpendicular to the surface it is associated with
- In general if the point can be rotated from A to B with a 3X3 matrix $\mathbf{M}_{A\to B}$ then the normal vector will be transformed by $(M_{A\to B}^{-1})^T$



Storing Matrices in Memory

- Ogre::Matrix3 rotMat = Matrix3(0.28, 0.96, -0.04, 0.58, -0.20, -0.79, 0.77, 0.20, -0.61);
- syntax, the first subscript is the row and the second is the column,

```
Matrix3(Real fEntry00, Real fEntry01, Real fEntry02,
Real fEntry10, Real fEntry11, Real fEntry12,
Real fEntry20, Real fEntry21, Real fEntry22)
{
    m[0][0] = fEntry00;
    m[0][1] = fEntry01;
    m[0][2] = fEntry02;
    m[1][0] = fEntry10;
    m[1][1] = fEntry11;
    m[1][2] = fEntry12;
    m[2][0] = fEntry20;
    m[2][1] = fEntry21;
    m[2][2] = fEntry22;
}
```

Quaternions

- We can use a 3X3 matrix to represent a rotations
- Not ideal
 - Nine floating point numbers for 3 DOF
 - Rotating a vector requires 9 multiplications and 6 additions
 - They are hard to interpolate
- We can use a quaternion

$$q = [q_x \quad q_y \quad q_z \quad q_w]$$

Quaternion

- Developed by Sir William Rowan Hamilton in 1843
 - Used to solve problems in mechanics
- The unit length quaternions can represent 3D rotations
 - All of them obey the constraint

$$q_x^2 + q_y^2 + q_z^2 + q_w^2 = 1$$

Quaternion

- Composed of two elements
 - A unit axis of rotation scaled by the sine of the half angle of rotation
 - The cosine of the half angle

$$\mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_V & q_S \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} & \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \end{bmatrix},$$

Can also be written as a four element vector

$$q = \begin{bmatrix} q_x & q_y & q_z & q_w \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where}$$

$$q_x = q_{V_x} = a_x \sin \frac{\theta}{2},$$

$$q_y = q_{V_y} = a_y \sin \frac{\theta}{2},$$

$$q_z = q_{V_z} = a_z \sin \frac{\theta}{2},$$

$$q_w = q_S = \cos \frac{\theta}{2}.$$

Operations

- Magnitude and vector addition work the same
- Adding two quaternions together is not the sum of two angles though
- Multiplication is the most important operations represents one rotation followed by another

$$pq = [(p_S q_V + q_S p_V + p_V \times q_V) \quad (p_S q_S - p_V \cdot q_V)]$$

Conjugate and Inverse

 The inverse of a quaternion q, denoted q⁻¹, has the following property

$$qq^{-1} = 0\mathbf{i} + 0\mathbf{j} + 0\mathbf{k} + 1$$

• To determine the inverse we need the conjugate $\mathbf{q}^* = [-\mathbf{q}_V \quad q_S]$

The inverse then is

$$q^{-1} = \frac{q^*}{|q|^2}$$

It's simple

Remember our quaternions are all unit length this means

$$q^{-1} = q^* = [-\mathbf{q}_V \quad q_S]$$

Other useful facts

$$(pq)^* = q^*p^*$$

$$(pq)^{-1} = q^{-1}p^{-1}$$

Rotating with quaternions

- To rotate a vector v by a quaternion q
- 1. We first write the vector in quaternion form $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v} & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_x & v_v & v_z & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- 2. Then multiple q times v and by the inverse of q

$$\mathbf{v}' = rotate(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{q} \mathbf{v} \mathbf{q}^{-1}$$
 or $\mathbf{v}' = rotate(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{q} \mathbf{v} \mathbf{q}^*$

3. Finally extract the vector out of $\mathbf{v}' = [\mathbf{v}' \quad 0]$

Concatenation

For matrices we followed the rule

$$\mathbf{R}_{net} = \mathbf{R}_1 \mathbf{R}_2 \mathbf{R}_3$$
$$\mathbf{v}' = \mathbf{v} \mathbf{R}_1 \mathbf{R}_2 \mathbf{R}_3 = \mathbf{v} \mathbf{R}_{net}$$

We do something similar with quaternion rotation

$$q_{net} = q_3 q_2 q_1$$
 $v' = q_3 q_2 q_1 v q_1^{-1} q_2^{-1} q_3^{-1}$
 $= q_{net} v q_{net}^{-1}$

Quaternion to matrix

• If $q = [\mathbf{q}_V \quad q_S] = [q_{V_X} \quad q_{V_Y} \quad q_{V_Z} \quad q_S] = [x \quad y \quad z \quad w]$

Then

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2y^2 - 2z^2 & 2xy + 2zw & 2xz - 2yw \\ 2xy - 2zw & 1 - 2x^2 - 2z^2 & 2yz + 2xw \\ 2xz + 2yw & 2yz - 2xw & 1 - 2x^2 - 2y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Much harder to go the other way

Some useful (normalized) quaternions

• $[w, x, y, z] = [\cos(\frac{a}{2}), \sin(\frac{a}{2}) n_x, \sin(\frac{a}{2}) n_y, \sin(\frac{a}{2}) n_z]$

1

0

0

0

0

0

sqrt(0.5)

-sqrt(0.5)

0

0

sqrt(0.5)

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sqrt(0.5)

-sqrt(0.5)

• Where **a** is the angle of rotation and (n_x, ny, n_z) is the axis of rotation

VV	Λ	y	L	Description
1	0	0	0	Identity quaternion, no rotation
0	1	0	0	180° turn around X axis

0

1

0

0

0

0

sqrt(0.5)

-sqrt(0.5)

Description

180° turn around Y axis

180° turn around Z axis

90° rotation around X axis

90° rotation around Y axis

90° rotation around Z axis

-90° rotation around X axis

-90° rotation around Y axis

-90° rotation around Z axis

How to use Quaternions in Ogre

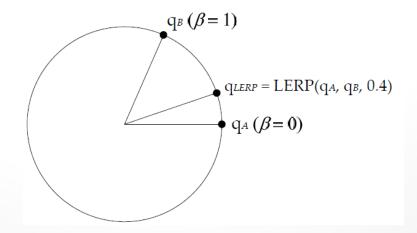
```
cbool BasicTutorial1::keyPressed(const KeyboardEvent& evt)
switch (evt.keysym.sym)
case 119: //ASCII code for "w"
Quaternion q(Degree(-45), Vector3::UNIT_X); //rotate around the X axis 45 degrees.
ogreNode->rotate(q);
break;
case 115: //ASCII code for "s"
Ouaternion q(Degree(45), Vector3::UNIT X); //rotate around the X axis -45 degrees.
ogreNode->rotate(q);
break;
case 97: //ASCII code for "a"
Quaternion q(Degree(-45), Vector3::UNIT_Y); //rotate around the Y axis -45 degrees.
ogreNode->rotate(q);
break:
case 100: //ASCII code for "d"
Quaternion q(Degree(45), Vector3::UNIT_Y); //rotate around the Y axis 45 degrees.
ogreNode->rotate(q);
```

Rotational Interpolation

• Given two quaternions q_A and q_B we can find an intermediate rotation β percent between them as

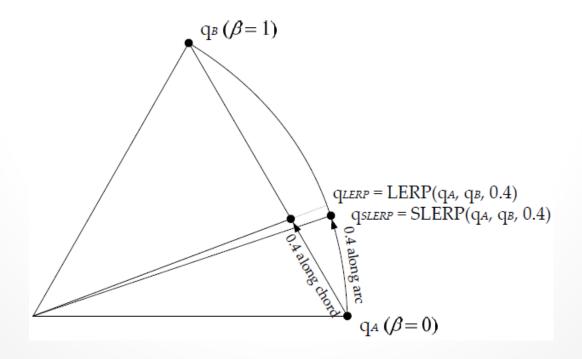
$$\mathbf{q}_{LERP} = LERP(\mathbf{q}_A, \mathbf{q}_B, \beta) = \frac{(1 - \beta)\mathbf{q}_A + \beta\mathbf{q}_B}{|(1 - \beta)\mathbf{q}_A + \beta\mathbf{q}_B|}$$

$$= normalize \begin{pmatrix} (1 - \beta)\mathbf{q}_{A_x} + \beta\mathbf{q}_{B_x} \\ (1 - \beta)\mathbf{q}_{A_y} + \beta\mathbf{q}_{B_y} \\ (1 - \beta)\mathbf{q}_{A_z} + \beta\mathbf{q}_{B_z} \\ (1 - \beta)\mathbf{q}_{A_w} + \beta\mathbf{q}_{B_w} \end{pmatrix}^T$$



Problems with lerp

- Because LERP interpolate along a chord instead of the actual surface of the 4D hyper-sphere, the angular speed is not constant
 - The beginning and end are slower than the middle



Slerp

- Spherical Linear Interpolation (SLERP) fixes this
- SLERP is like LERP, but the weighting of the two quaternions is modified based on the angle between them

$$SLERP(p, q, \beta) = w_p p + w_q q,$$

where

$$w_p = \frac{\sin(1-\beta)\theta}{\sin\theta},$$
$$w_q = \frac{\sin\beta\theta}{\sin\theta}.$$

Find the angle

• To find the angle θ we use the following

$$\cos(\theta) = \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q} = p_x q_x + p_y q_y + p_z q_z + p_w q_w$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q})$$

Should you slerp?

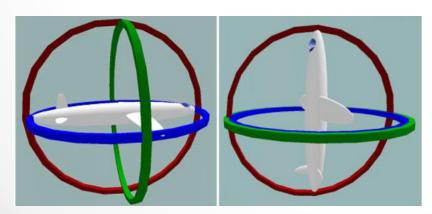
- It depends
- If you can get it to be fast enough, then use it
- Otherwise LERP is fine and likely the user can't tell anyway

Comparison of Rotational Representations

Euler Angles

- o Simple: yaw, pitch and roll
- o represented by a 3D vector $[q_Y q_P q_R]$.
- Easy to visualize
- Easy to interpolate unless it is around an arbitrary axis
- Prone to gimbal lock
- Order of the rotations matters

$PYR \neq YPR \neq RYP$



3X3 Matrix

- Overall pretty good
- Not subject to gimbal lock
- Uses lots of computation and memory
- Not very intuitive to read

Axis/Angle

- We can use a representation similar to quaternions called axis+angle $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a} & \theta \end{bmatrix}$
- Easy to understand
- Compact
- Cannot interpolate rotations
- Cannot be easily applied to points and vectors

Quaternions

- Small
- Can be easily applied to vectors and points
- Easy to interpolate
- Hard to read

SQT Transforms

- Quaternions can only represent rotations
- We can combine them with translation and scaling into a SQT transform
- Good for most things
 - Easy to understand
 - Easy to interpolate
 - Compact representation

$$SQT = [\mathbf{s} \quad \mathbf{q} \quad \mathbf{t}]$$

Dual Quaternions

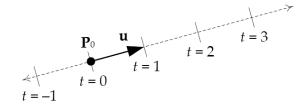
- A rigid transformation is a transformation involving a rotation and a translation—a "corkscrew" motion.
- A rigid transformation can be represented using a mathematical object known as a dual quaternion
- A dual quaternion is like an ordinary quaternion, except that its four components are dual numbers instead of regular real-valued numbers
- A dual number can be written as the sum of a nondual part and a dual part as follows: a + εb.
- Here ε is a magical number called the dual unit
- $\varepsilon^2 = 0$

Rotations and Degrees of Freedom

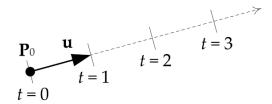
- DOF refers to the number of mutually independent ways in which an object's physical state (position and orientation) can change.
- a three-dimensional object has three degrees of freedom in its translation (along the x-, y- and zaxes) and three degrees of freedom in its rotation (about the x-, y- and z-axes) → 6 DOF
- For example, Euler angles require three floats, but axis+angle and quaternion representations use four floats, and a 3X3 matrix

Other useful object

• Line – can be represented using a parametric equation $P(t) = P_0 + t\mathbf{u}$ where $-\infty < t < +\infty$



• Ray – only extends in one direction so $t \ge 0$



• Segment – bounded by two points $0 \le t \le L$

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{P}_1 - \mathbf{P}_0$$

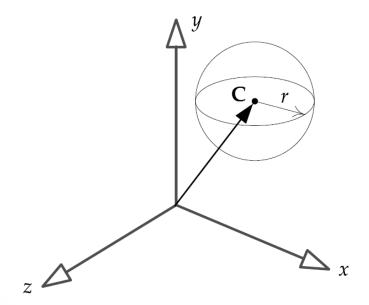
$$\mathbf{P}_0$$

$$t = 0.5$$

$$t = 0$$

Spheres

- Defined using a center point C and a radius r
- Fits nicely in a 4 element vector

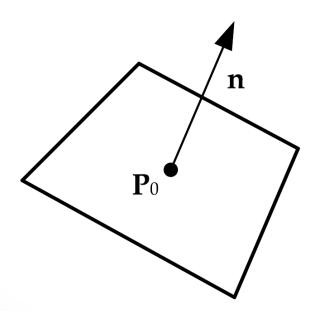


Planes

- Plane is a 2D surface in 3D space
- Only satisfied when $P=[x \ y \ z]$ lies on the plane Ax + By + Cz + D = 0

Point-normal

- Planes can also be represented by
 - \circ A point P_0
 - o A unit vector **n** that is normal to the plane



Different, but the same

- If A,B,C from the traditional equation are interpreted as a vector
- The vector lies in the direction of the plane normal
- The normalized version $[a \ b \ c] = \mathbf{n}$
- The normalized parameter $d=D/\sqrt{A^2+B^2+C^2}$ is the distance to the origin

AABB

- Axis aligned bounding box
- Useful for collision detection
- Represented using 6 values

 $[x_{min}, x_{max}, y_{min}, y_{max}, z_{min}, z_{max}]$

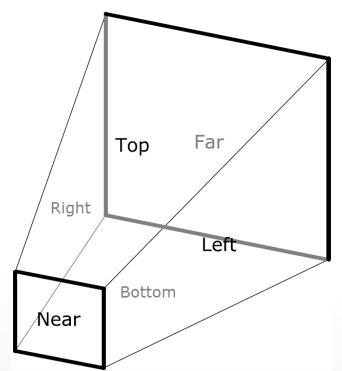
- Or two points P_{min} and P_{max}
- Easy to test if a point is within the bounds

oBB

- Oriented bounding box
- Differs from AABB because it aligns with the objects local coordinate space, not the world space
- Testing for intersection usually involves transforming the point into the OBB coordinate system

Frusta

- A group of 6 planes that create a truncated pyramid shape
- Usually represented as an array of six planes in point-normal form



Hardware-accelerated SIMD Math

- Stands for Single Instruction Multiple Data
- Allows a single operation to be performed on multiple data items in parallel
- For example you can multiple four pairs of floating point numbers with a single command

History

- Intel introduced MMX instruction in the first Pentiums
- Could do SIMD on 8-eight bit, 4-16 bit or 2-32 bit integers
- Later enhancements resulted in the Streaming SIMD Extensions (SSE)
 - Uses special 128-bit registers
 - o Can perform parallel operation on 32-bit floating point numbers

\leftarrow 32 bits \rightarrow	← 32 bits →	\leftarrow 32 bits \longrightarrow	← 32 bits →
x	y	z	w

SSE Registers

- In packed 32-bit floating point mode holds 4 -32 floating point numbers
- Elements are called $[x \ y \ z \ w]$
- Consider the SIMD instruction

```
addps xmm0, xmm1
```

This performs the following operations

```
xmm0.x = xmm0.x + xmm1.x;

xmm0.y = xmm0.y + xmm1.y;

xmm0.z = xmm0.z + xmm1.z;

xmm0.w = xmm0.w + xmm1.w;
```

Using SIMD

- Visual Studio has a special datatype __m128
 - Complier understands how to use it

```
_{m128} v = _{mm_set_ps(-1.0f, 2.0f, 0.5f, 1.0f)};
```

 GNU C/C++ uses the keyword vector vector float = (vector float) (-1.0f, 2.0f, 0.5f, 1.0f);

Coding with SSE

Can use inline assembly
 __m128 addWithAssembly(const __m128 a, const __m128 b)
 {
 _asm addps xmm0, xmm1
 }

Can use intrinsics (# include <xmmintrin.h>)
 __m128 addWithIntrinsics(const __m128 a, const __m128 b)
 {
 return _mm_add_ps (a,b);
 }

Vector-matrix multiplication

Say you want to multiple a 1X4 vector v with a 4X4 matrix M to get the solution r

$$r = vM$$

$$[r_{x} \quad r_{y} \quad r_{z} \quad r_{w}] = [v_{x} \quad v_{y} \quad v_{z} \quad v_{w}] \begin{bmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} & M_{13} & M_{14} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} & M_{23} & M_{24} \\ M_{31} & M_{32} & M_{33} & M_{34} \\ M_{41} & M_{42} & M_{43} & M_{44} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$=\begin{bmatrix} v_x M_{11} + v_y M_{21} + v_z M_{31} + v_w M_{41} \\ v_x M_{12} + v_y M_{22} + v_z M_{32} + v_w M_{42} \\ v_x M_{13} + v_y M_{23} + v_z M_{33} + v_w M_{43} \\ v_x M_{14} + v_y M_{24} + v_z M_{34} + v_w M_{44} \end{bmatrix}$$

Attempt 1

- We could store v in an SSE and each column of M in an SSE
- The multiple each M SSE by the v SSE
- We get

```
vMcol1 = [v_x M_{11} \quad v_y M_{21} \quad v_z M_{31} \quad v_w M_{41}];

vMcol2 = [v_x M_{12} \quad v_y M_{22} \quad v_z M_{32} \quad v_w M_{42}];

vMcol3 = [v_x M_{13} \quad v_y M_{23} \quad v_z M_{33} \quad v_w M_{43}];

vMcol4 = [v_x M_{14} \quad v_y M_{24} \quad v_z M_{34} \quad v_w M_{44}];
```

- Now we have to add across the vectors
 - Not very fast

Attempt 2

- We could create SSEs with replicated values from v and multiple each row of M by the appropriate v SSE
- We get

- Now we can add the vectors
 - Much better

Random Number Generator

- Linear Congruent Generators
 - o Found in the c rand() function
 - Not particular good
- Mersenne Twister
 - Very large period (before repeating a sequence)
 - Very high order of equidistribution
 - Passes numerous test for randomness
 - o Fast
- Mother-of-All
 - Published by George Marsaglia
 - o Reasonable period
 - o Faster than Mersenne Twister

What is Unity.Mathematics

- Shader/SIMD math library
- Implements vector and matrix types:
 - o floatN, quaternion
 - o Float3x3, float4x4
- And some elementary functions:
 - o Min, max, fabs, etc
 - o Sin, cos, sqrt, normalize, dot, cross, etc

When to use Unity.Mathematics

- Data Oriented Technology Stack (DOTS)
 - Entity package
 - Unity.Physics package
 - Burst is aware of Unity.Mathematics
- Determinism (future)
 - Compute a floating number in different platforms
 - Arm or Intel CPU creates different floating point!
 - You can deterministically generate the same floating point across different platforms (Very important in multiplayer in networking).
- Performance (more on this later)

When not to use Unity Mathematics

- Reliance on extremely specific behavior
- Using UnityEngine.Mathf functions with no clear equivalent
- Dependence on some libraries that expect Vector3/Matrix4x4

How do I use Unity.Mathematics?

- Make sure if it's installed?
- Window → Package Manager → mathematics
- In your code:
 - Using Unity.Mathematics

Componentwise Vector Multiply

```
void ComponentwiseVectorMultiplyClassic()
{
    var v0 = new Vector4(2, 4, 6, 8);
    var v1 = new Vector4(1, -1, 1, -1);
    var result = Vector4.Scale(v0, v1);
    //result = new Vector4(2,-4,6,-8)
void ComponentwiseVectorMultiplyUnityMathematics()
   var v0 = new float4(2, 4, 6, 8);
    var v1 = new float4(1, -1, 1, -1);
    var result = v0 * v1;
   //result = new float4(2,-4,6,-8)
}
```

Build 4X4 Matrices

```
void Build4x4Classic()
    //each vector creates a "column" in the matrix
    var c0 = new Vector4(1, 0, 0, 0);
    var c1 = new Vector4(0, 1, 0, 0);
    var c2 = new Vector4(0, 0, 1, 0);
    var c3 = new Vector4(0, 0, 0, 1);
    var m = new Matrix4x4(c0, c1, c2, c3);
}
void Build4x4UnityMathematics()
    var c0 = new float4(1, 0, 0, 0);
    var c1 = new float4(0, 1, 0, 0);
    var c2 = new float4(0, 0, 1, 0);
    var c3 = new float4(0, 0, 0, 1);
    var m = new float4x4(c0, c1, c2, c3);
```

Operator*(4x4,4x4)

```
void OperatorMultiply4X4Classic()
   {
        var c0 = new Vector4(1, 1, 1, 1);
        var c1 = new Vector4(1, 1, 1, 1);
        var c2 = new Vector4(1, 1, 1, 1);
        var c3 = new Vector4(1, 1, 1, 1);
        var Matrix4x4_Ones = new Matrix4x4(c0, c1, c2, c3);
        var d0 = new Vector4(0.5f, 0, 0, 0);
        var d1 = new Vector4(0, 0.5f, 0, 0);
        var d2 = new Vector4(0, 0, 0.5f, 0);
        var d3 = new Vector4(0, 0, 0, 0.5f);
        var m4x4_HalfIdentify = new Matrix4x4(d0, d1, d2, d3);
        Matrix4x4 result = Matrix4x4_Ones * m4x4_HalfIdentify;
        Debug.Log(result); //all elements are 0.5, a true matrix multiplication, element ij is a dot product of row i of the first
matrix and column j of the second matrix!
   }
   void OperatorMultiply4X4UnityMathematics()
        var c0 = new float4(1, 1, 1, 1);
       var c1 = new float4(1, 1, 1, 1);
        var c2 = new float4(1, 1, 1, 1);
        var c3 = new float4(1, 1, 1, 1);
        var f4x4\_Ones = new float4x4(c0, c1, c2, c3);
        var d0 = new float4(0.5f, 0, 0, 0);
        var d1 = new float4(0, 0.5f, 0, 0);
        var d2 = new float4(0, 0, 0.5f, 0);
        var d3 = new float4(0, 0, 0, 0.5f);
        var f4x4_HalfIdentify = new float4x4(d0, d1, d2, d3);
       float4x4 result = f4x4_Ones * f4x4_HalfIdentify;
        Debug.Log(result); //the result is f4x4_HalfIdentify because each element is calculated by multiplying corresponding
components!
    }
```

Multiply4X4 And Vector4

```
void Multiply4x4AndVector4Classic()
   var c0 = new Vector4(1, 1, 1, 1);
   var c1 = new Vector4(1, 1, 1, 1);
   var c2 = new Vector4(1, 1, 1, 1);
   var c3 = new Vector4(1, 1, 1, 1);
   var m4x4 = new Matrix4x4(c0, c1, c2, c3);
   var v4 = new Vector4(0.5f, 0, 0, 0); //column vector!!!
   Vector4 result1 = m4x4 * v4; //4x4 * 4x1 = 4x1
   //Vector4 result2 = v4 * m4x4; //No operator*(Vector4, Matrix4x4)
}
void Multiply4x4AndVector4UnityMathematics()
   var c0 = new float4(1, 1, 1, 1);
   var c1 = new float4(1, 1, 1, 1);
   var c2 = new float4(1, 1, 1, 1);
   var c3 = new float4(1, 1, 1, 1);
   var f4x4 = new float4x4(c0, c1, c2, c3);
   var v4 = new float4(0.5f, 0, 0, 0); //row or column vector!!!
   float4 result1 = math.mul(f4x4 , v4); //4x4 * 4x1 = 4x1
   float4 result2 = math.mul(v4 , f4x4); //1X4 * 4X4 = 1X4
}
```

Quaternions

```
//https://quaternions.online/
void QuaternionMultiplicationClassic()
     var axis = Vector3.up;
     var q = Quaternion.AngleAxis(45.0f, axis);
     var orientation = Quaternion.Euler(45.0f, 90.0f, 180.0f);
     var result = q * orientation;
void QuaternionMultiplicationUnityMathematics()
     var axis = new float3(0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);
     var q = quaternion.AxisAngle(axis, math.radians(45.0f));
     var orientation = quaternion.Euler(math.radians(45.0f),
math.radians(90.0f), math.radians(180.0f));
     var result = math.mul(q , orientation);
```

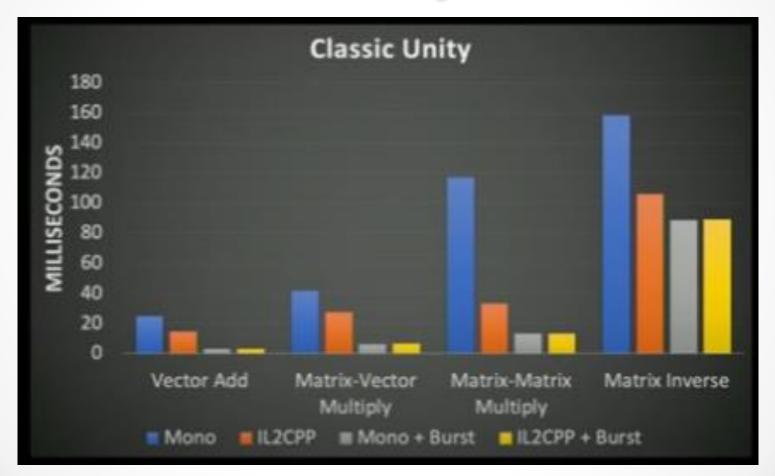
Generating Random Numbers

```
void RandomNumberClassic()
{
    //[0,1] inclusive
   float randomFloat1 = UnityEngine.Random.value;
   //[-5,5] inclusive
   float randomFloat2 = UnityEngine.Random.Range(-5.0f, 5.0f);
}
void RandonNumberUnityMathematics()
    //Choose some non-zero seed and set up the random number generator state.
    uint seed = 1;
    Unity.Mathematics.Random rng = new Unity.Mathematics.Random(seed);
    //[0,1) exclusive
   float randomFloat1 = rng.NextFloat();
   //[-5,5) exclusive
   float randomFloat2 = rng.NextFloat(-5.0f, 5.0f);
}
```

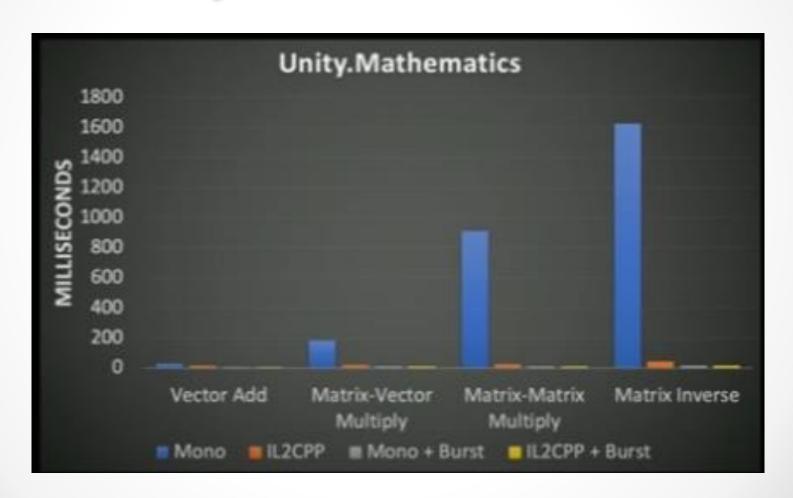
Performance

- 1,000,000 of the following:
 - Vector 4 additions
 - Matrix4x4, Vector4 multiplies
 - Matrix4x4, Matrix4x4 multiples
 - Matrix4x4 inverse
- Mono, IL2CPP, Burst
- How does classic Unity fare?

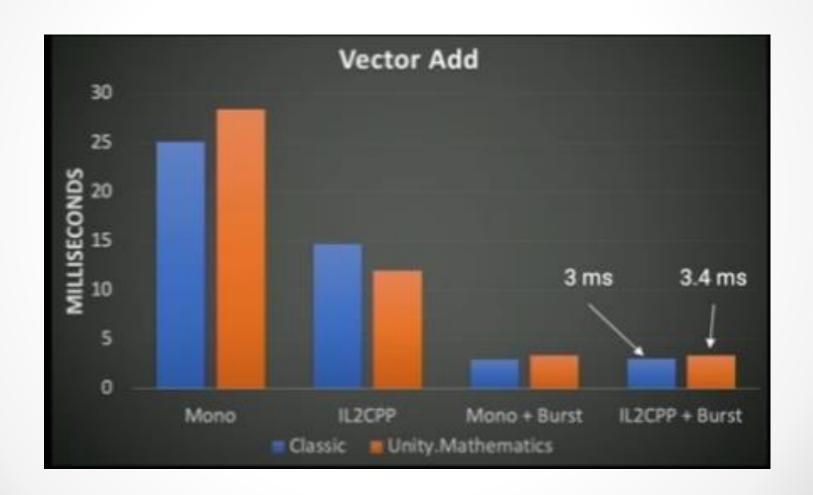
Performance: Classic Unity



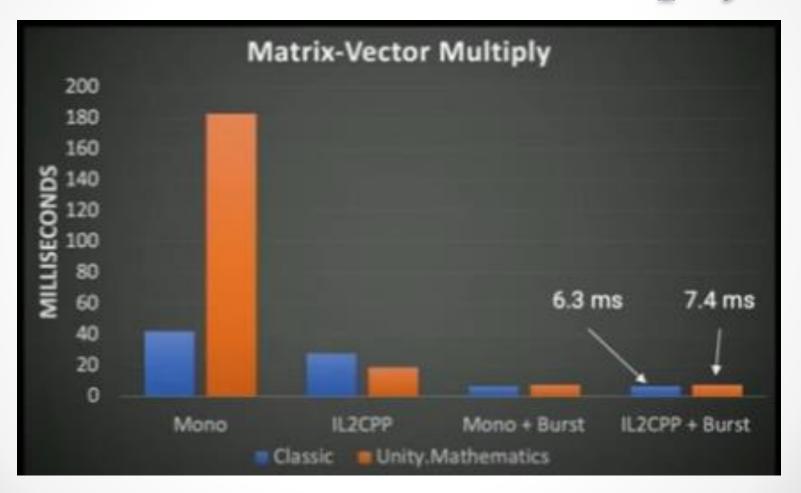
Unity Mathematics



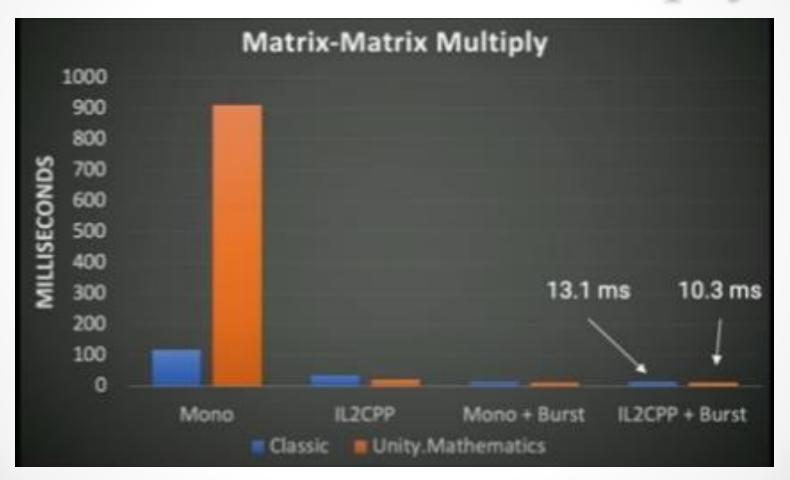
Vector Add



Matrix-Vector Multiply



Matrix-Matrix Multiply



Matrix Inverse

