CS30800 Introduction to Computer Graphics Lab 4 – Quaternion and arcball

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Note



- Note: we will not answer questions directly related to the assignment
 - The goal is to find solutions based on your understandings for the course.

- In the lab session, we will provide explanations about
 - Purpose of the assignment
 - What you need to implement
 - Recap for the background knowledge

Some slides are from lecture notes of this course

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Assignment 3 is built upon assignment 2

- Copy the following starter code into your project directory for asst2
 - arcball.h
 - quat.h
 - rigtform.h



- Quaternion is implemented in quat.h
- All operations are already implemented in provided code

- Why not using an Euler(x, y, z) rotation or a rotation matrix?
 - Euler rotation: Gimbal lock problem
 - Rotation matrix: too much computation



Constructors

```
Quat(): q_{1,0,0,0} {} Quat(const double w, const Cvec3& v): q_{w,v[0],v[1],v[2]} {} Quat(const double w, const double x, const double y, const double z): q_{w,v[2]} {}
```

– For given axis and angle θ ,

$$x = \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \cdot axis.x$$
, $y = \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \cdot axis.y$, $z = \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \cdot axis.z$, $w = \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$

Static constructors

```
static Quat makeXRotation(const double ang)
static Quat makeYRotation(const double ang)
static Quat makeZRotation(const double ang)
```



Perform the following triple quaternion multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \\ \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\hat{\mathbf{k}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \hat{\mathbf{c}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \\ \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\hat{\mathbf{k}} \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

• Result is form of: $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \hat{\mathbf{c}}' \end{bmatrix}$

The vector multiplication is already implemented in skeleton code

```
Cvec4 operator * (const Cvec4& a) const {
   const Quat r = *this * (Quat(0, a[0], a[1], a[2]) * inv(*this));
   return Cvec4(r[1], r[2], r[3], a[3]);
}
```



Task 1: RigTForm class implementation



Implement Rigid Body Transformation class (RigTForm)

- It consists of translation T (3D point vector) and rotation R (4D quaternion vector)
- Efficient than matrix multiplication
- It is a helpful utility class for further implementation

Implement manipulations based on RigTForm class

- Inversion
- Multiplication
- Conversion to a matrix
- Conversion from a translation vector
- Conversion from a quaternion
- Multiplication with a vector



- Alternate Matrix4 class with RigTForm class in the code before
 - You will use RigTForm class instead of Matrix4 class for manipulations

 After you replace Matrix4 by RigTForm, everything should behave sa me as before

HW3 Goals: Task 1 (Hint)



RigTForm inversion

- Rotation is inverse of the quaternion
- Translation is affected by rotation of itself

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} i & t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} i & -r^{-1}t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

RigTForm multiplication

- Rotation is multiplication of two quaternions
- Translation of second RigTForm is affected by rotation of first RigTForm
- (Translation is always affected by previous rotation)

$$\begin{bmatrix} i & t_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i & t_2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i & t_1 + r_1 t_2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_1 r_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Task 2: Arcball

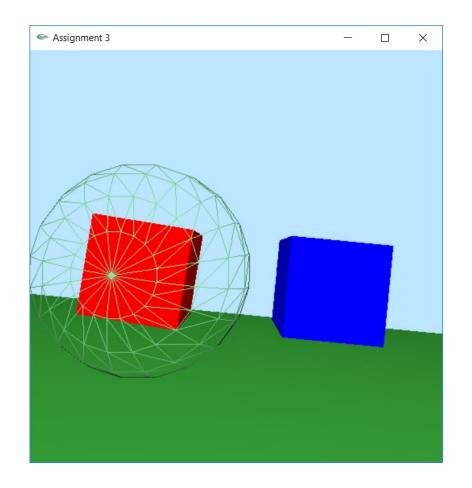


- Implement the arcball interface
 - Draw a sphere to represent the arcball
 - Implement an arcball function in OpenGL functions
- Compute rotation
 - Compute two 3D vectors on the screen space
- Two helper functions in skeleton code
 - getScreenSpaceCoord
 - getScreenToEyeScale
- The radius of the sphere should be
 - 0.25 * min(g_windowWidth, g_windowHeight)



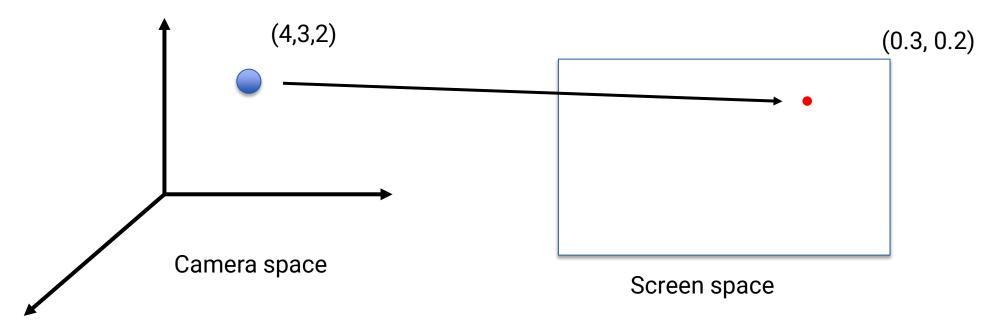
Draw a wire framed sphere for arcball visualization

```
// switch to wire frame mode
 glPolygonMode(GL_FRONT_AND_BACK, GL_LINE);
 // draw something
 g sphere->draw(curSS);
 // switch back to solid mode
glPolygonMode(GL FRONT AND BACK, GL FILL);
(If you do not switch back to "GL_FILL", then all objects
may be drawn in wireframe)
```





- getScreenSpaceCoord
- Convert a 3D vector of the point to a 2D point on a screen space (in pixel units)



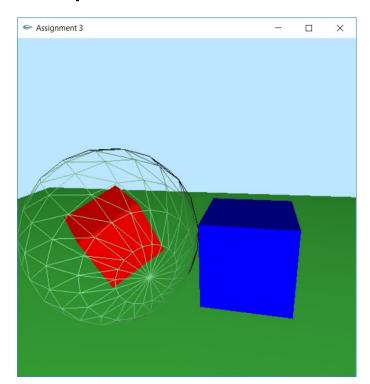


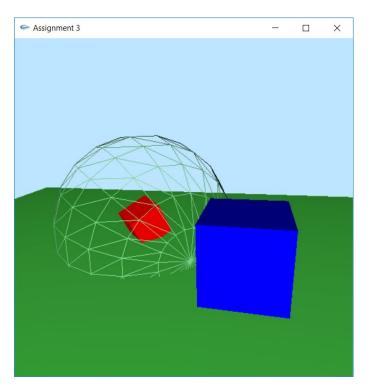
- getScreenSpaceCoord
- Why should we use it?
 - Mouse position is given as 2D point on a screen space
 - Arcball is a 3D object.

We should convert one of two points (mouse position, arcball position) to the other coordinate to calculate arcball manipulation



- getScreenToEyeScale
- Arcball size should not be changed in Screen Space even if size of the cube is changed in screen space due to translation

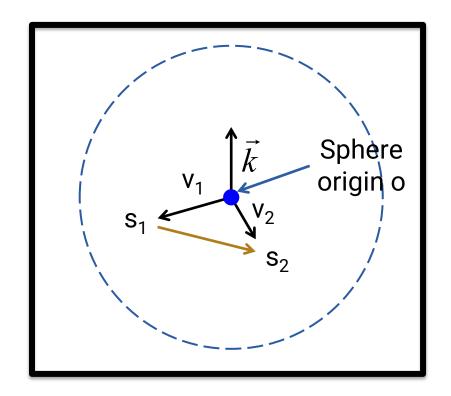


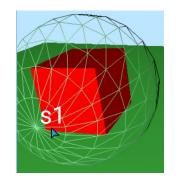


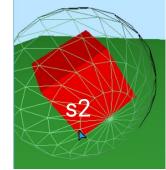
inline double getScreenToEyeScale(double z, double frustFovY, int screenHeight)



- Sphere origin o: center of sphere, projection of a frame origin
- S_1 : clicked screen coordinate
- S_2 : dragged mouse screen coordinate





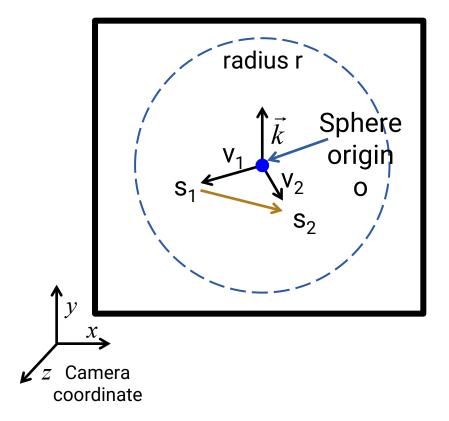


HW3 Goals: Task2 (Hint)



• v_1, v_2 — the directional vectors

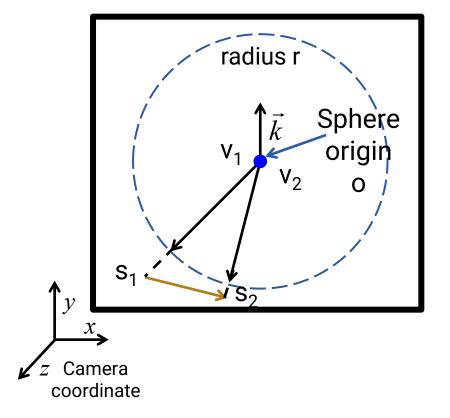
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$$v_{1x} = s_{1x} - o_x$$
, $v_{y1} = s_{1y} - o_y$, $v_{1x}^2 + v_{1y}^2 + v_{1z}^2 = r^2$



HW3 Goals: Task2 (Hint)



When you drag outside of the arcball, use nearest point of the arcball for manipulation





Task 3: Translation fix up



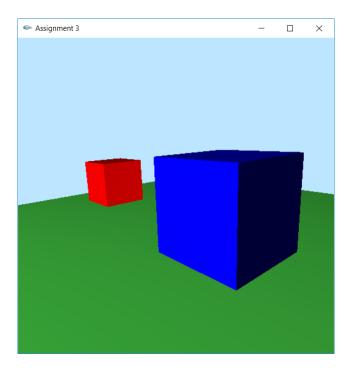
- Translation fix up
- Translate the object as same as the mouse movement

Use g_arcballScale

Wherever the object is, the object should follow a mouse pointer



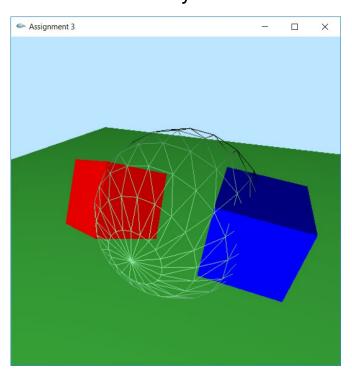
- For same size of objects, far objects look smaller
- For same translation, far objects look translate smaller than near objects
- However, translation of HW3 should be same as translation of mouse cursor
- You can scale the translation based on the g_arcballScale variable
- We will learn perspective projection later



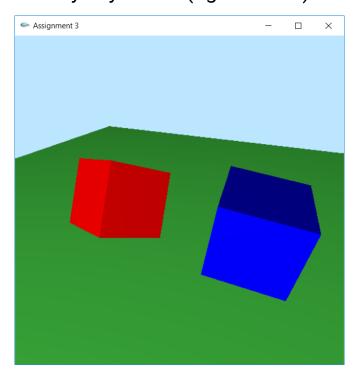


When 'm' is pressed

World-sky frame



sky-sky frame (Ego-motion)





- Note that
- There is a statement in document:
 - When the arcball is not in use (e.g., in ego motion), g_arcballScale may not be correctly defined, so feel free to fall b
 ack to the hard-coded number in that case.

Which means translation should not be scaled in sky-sky mode.

Question?