

Real-Time Polygonal-Light Shading with Linearly Transformed Cosines

Supplemental Material: Properties and MATLAB validation of Linearly Transformed Spherical Distributions

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Abstract

In this document, we show how *Linearly Transformed Spherical Distributions* inherit normalization, polygonal integration and sampling of their original distribution. We illustrate these properties with the uniform spherical, uniform hemispherical, clamped cosine, and squared clamped cosine distributions and we provide MATLAB code to validate these properties numerically.

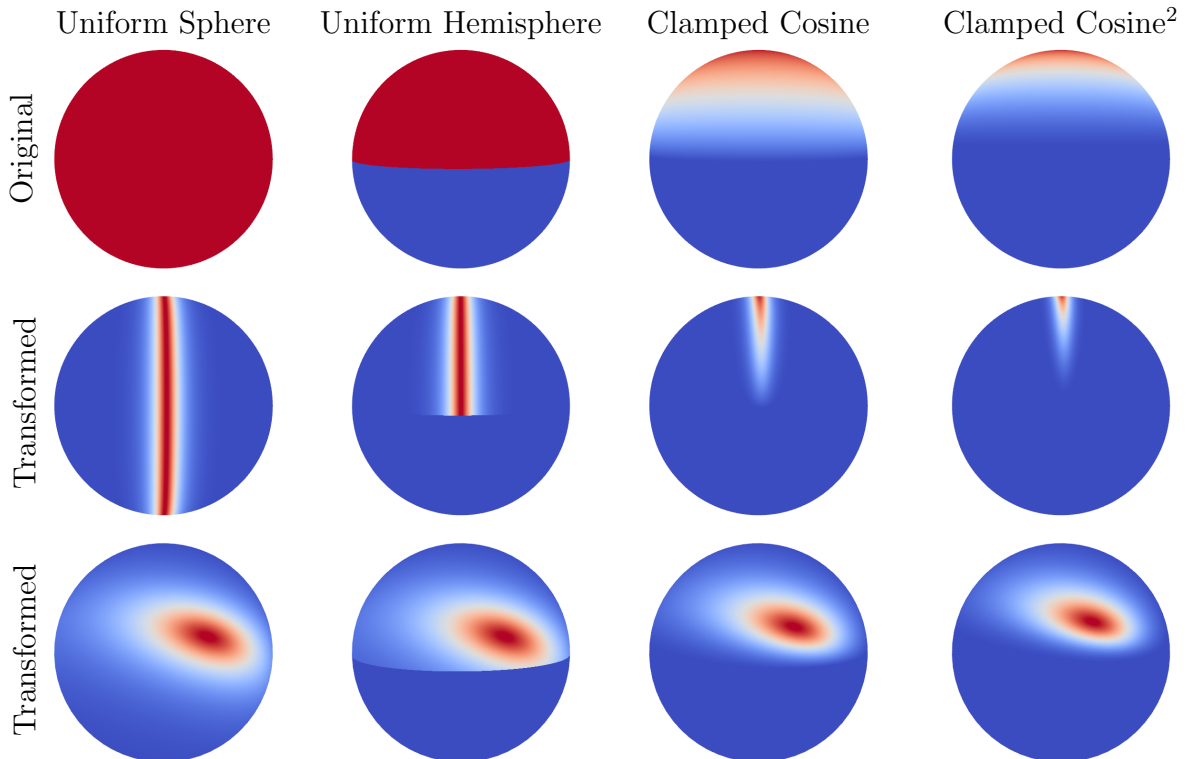


Figure 1: We apply linear transformations to different original spherical distributions.

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1 Original Spherical Distributions

In this section, we introduce several normalized distributions that can be used for the original distribution $D_o(\omega_o = (x_o, y_o, z_o))$. We provide their evaluation functions and their importance sampling methods.

1.1 Uniform Spherical Distribution

$$D_o(\omega_o) = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

```
function [res] = Do_uniform_sphere(w)
    res = 1 / (4*pi);
endfunction
```

```
function [wo] = sample_Do_uniform_sphere()
    theta = acos(2*rand-1);
    phi = 2*pi*rand;
    wo = [cos(phi)*sin(theta) sin(phi)*sin(theta) cos(theta)];
endfunction
```

1.2 Uniform Hemispherical Distribution

$$D_o(\omega_o) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\pi} & \text{if } z_o \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } z_o < 0 \end{cases}$$

```
function [res] = Do_uniform_hemisphere(w)
    if w(3)<0 res = 0; else res = 1 / (2*pi); endif
endfunction
```

```
function [wo] = sample_Do_uniform_hemisphere()
    theta = acos(rand);
    phi = 2*pi*rand;
    wo = [cos(phi)*sin(theta) sin(phi)*sin(theta) cos(theta)];
endfunction
```

1.3 Clamped Cosine Distribution

$$D_o(\omega_o) = \begin{cases} \frac{z_o}{\pi} & \text{if } z_o \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } z_o < 0 \end{cases}$$

```
function [res] = Do_clamped_cosine(w)
    res = max(0, w(3)) / pi;
endfunction
```

```
function [wo] = sample_Do_clamped_cosine()
    theta = acos(rand^(1/2));
    phi = 2*pi*rand;
    wo = [cos(phi)*sin(theta) sin(phi)*sin(theta) cos(theta)];
endfunction
```

1.4 Squared Clamped Cosine Distribution

$$D_o(\omega_o) = \begin{cases} \frac{3z_o^2}{2\pi} & \text{if } z_o \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } z_o < 0 \end{cases}$$

```
function [res] = Do_squared_clamped_cosine(w)
    res = max(0, w(3))^2 * 3 / (2*pi);
endfunction
```

```
function [wo] = sample_Do_squared_clamped_cosine()
    theta = acos(rand^(1/3));
    phi = 2*pi*rand;
    wo = [cos(phi)*sin(theta) sin(phi)*sin(theta) cos(theta)];
endfunction
```

Normalization Note that these distributions are all normalized:

$$\int_{\Omega} D_o(\omega_o) d\omega_o = 1.$$

2 Linearly Transformed Distributions

2.1 Definition

The Linearly Transformed Distributions are defined by

$$D(\omega) = D_o \left(\frac{M^{-1} \omega}{\|M^{-1} \omega\|} \right) \frac{|M^{-1}|}{\|M^{-1} \omega\|^3}.$$

```
function [res] = D(w, M, Do)

    % invert matrix
    invM = inv(M);
    % Jacobian
    Jacobian = abs(det(invM)) / norm(invM * w')^3;
    % value of original distribution
    wo = invM * w' / norm(invM * w');
    a = feval(Do, wo);
    % result
    res = a * Jacobian;

endfunction
```

2.2 Normalization

We verify that the Linearly Transformed Distributions are normalized:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} D(\omega) d\omega &= \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} D(\omega = (\sin \theta \cos \phi, \cos \theta \cos \phi, \cos \theta)) \sin \theta d\theta d\phi \\ &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

```
function [res] = test_normalization(M, Do)

    res = 0;

    dangle = 0.01; % decrease for improved precision
    for theta = 0 : dangle : pi
        for phi = 0 : dangle : 2*pi

            w = [cos(phi)*sin(theta) sin(phi)*sin(theta) cos(theta)];

            res += dangle*dangle*sin(theta) * D(w, M, Do);

        end
    end

endfunction
```

Example

```
>> M = [0.1 0.5 1 ; 0.2 1 1 ; 0 2 0.5]
M =

    0.1000    0.5000    1.0000
    0.2000    1.0000    1.0000
    0.0000    2.0000    0.5000

>> test_normalization(M, 'Do_uniform_sphere')
ans = 1.0003
>> test_normalization(M, 'Do_uniform_hemisphere')
ans = 1.0019
>> test_normalization(M, 'Do_clamped_cosine')
ans = 1.0006
>> test_normalization(M, 'Do_squared_clamped_cosine')
ans = 1.0006
```

2.3 Polygonal Integration

We verify that the integral of the Linearly Transformed Distributions over a polygon is the integral of their original distribution over the transformed polygon:

$$\int_{(\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n)} D(\boldsymbol{\omega}) d\boldsymbol{\omega} = \int_{(\mathbf{p}'_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}'_n)} D_o(\boldsymbol{\omega}_o) d\boldsymbol{\omega}_o,$$

with the transformed vertices $\mathbf{p}'_i = M^{-1} \mathbf{p}_i$.

Integration of D over \mathbf{P} To compute the integral numerically, we integrate over the polygon and account for the Jacobian $\left| \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{p}}{\|\mathbf{p}\|}, \mathbf{n} \right\rangle \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{p}\|^2} \right|$ of the spherical projection:

$$\int_{(\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n)} D(\boldsymbol{\omega}) d\boldsymbol{\omega} = \int_{(\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n)} D\left(\frac{\mathbf{p}}{\|\mathbf{p}\|}\right) \left| \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{p}}{\|\mathbf{p}\|}, \mathbf{n} \right\rangle \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{p}\|^2} \right| d\mathbf{p}$$

where \mathbf{n} is the normal of the polygon.

```
function [res] = test_polygonal_integration_reference(P1, P2, P3, M, Do)

    % triangle's normal
    N = cross(P1-P2, P1-P3) / norm(cross(P1-P2, P1-P3));
    % triangle's area
    A = 0.5*norm(cross(P1-P2, P1-P3));

    res = 0;
    dx = 0.0025; % decrease for improved precision
    for x = 0 : dx : 1
        for y = 0 : dx : 1

            % generate point on triangle
            if x > y
                P = (1.0-x) * P1 + (x-y) * P2 + y * P3;
            else
                P = (1.0-y) * P1 + (y-x) * P2 + x * P3;
            endif

            % direction to point
            w = P / norm(P);
            % squared distance
            d2 = norm(P)^2;

            % integrate D
            res += dx*dx*A * abs(dot(w, N)) / d2 * D(w, M, Do);

        end
    end
endfunction
```

Integration of D_o over P' First, we transform the vertices $\mathbf{p}'_i = M^{-1} \mathbf{p}_i$. Then, to compute the integral numerically, we integrate over the polygon P' and account for the Jacobian $\left\langle \frac{\mathbf{p}}{\|\mathbf{p}\|}, \mathbf{n} \right\rangle \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{p}\|^2}$ of the spherical projection:

$$\int_{(p'_1, \dots, p'_n)} D_o(\omega_o) d\omega_o = \int_{(p'_1, \dots, p'_n)} D_o\left(\frac{\mathbf{p}}{\|\mathbf{p}\|}\right) \left| \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{p}}{\|\mathbf{p}\|}, \mathbf{n} \right\rangle \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{p}\|^2} \right| d\mathbf{p},$$

where \mathbf{n} is the normal of the polygon.

```
function [res] = test_polygonal_integration(P1, P2, P3, M, Do)

    % transform triangle
    Minv = inv(M);
    P1 = (Minv * P1')';
    P2 = (Minv * P2')';
    P3 = (Minv * P3')';

    % triangle's normal
    N = cross(P1-P2, P1-P3) / norm(cross(P1-P2, P1-P3));
    % triangle's area
    A = 0.5*norm(cross(P1-P2, P1-P3));

    res = 0;
    dx = 0.0025; % decrease for improved precision
    for x = 0 : dx : 1
        for y = 0 : dx : 1

            % generate point on triangle
            if x > y
                P = (1.0-x) * P1 + (x-y) * P2 + y * P3;
            else
                P = (1.0-y) * P1 + (y-x) * P2 + x * P3;
            endif

            % direction to point
            wo = P / norm(P);
            % squared distance
            d2 = norm(P)^2;

            % integrate Do
            res += dx*dx*A * abs(dot(wo, N)) / d2 * feval(Do, wo);

        end
    end

endfunction
```

Example

```
>> P1 = [0 0 1]
P1 =

    0    0    1

>> P2 = [1 0 1]
P2 =

    1    0    1

>> P3 = [1 1 1]
P3 =

    1    1    1
>> M = [0.1 0.5 1 ; 0.2 1 1 ; 0 2 0.5 ]
M =

    0.1000    0.5000    1.0000
    0.2000    1.0000    1.0000
    0.0000    2.0000    0.5000

>> test_polygonal_integration_reference(P1, P2, P3, M, 'Do_clamped_cosine')
ans = 0.0059141
>> test_polygonal_integration(P1, P2, P3, M, 'Do_clamped_cosine')
ans = 0.0059141
```

2.4 Importance Sampling

We generate samples ω from PDF $D(\omega)$ using Algorithm 1.

Algorithm 1 Importance Sampling

sample ω_o from D_o	$\triangleright \text{PDF}(\omega_o) = D_o(\omega_o)$
return $\omega = \frac{M \omega_o}{\ M \omega_o\ }$	$\triangleright \text{PDF}(\omega) = D_o(\omega_o) \frac{\partial \omega_o}{\partial \omega} = D(\omega)$

```
function [w] = D_sample(M, Do_sample)
    wo = feval(Do_sample);
    w = (M * wo')' / norm(M * wo');
endfunction
```

Numerical Validation We verify that the importance sampling technique is consistent with the distribution. We check that the moments of the direction components computed via numerical integration and importance sampling are equal.

$$E[\omega] = \int_{\Omega} D(\omega) \omega d\omega$$

$$E[\omega] = \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} D(\omega = (\sin \theta \cos \phi, \cos \theta \cos \phi, \cos \theta)) (\sin \theta \cos \phi, \cos \theta \cos \phi, \cos \theta) \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$$

$$E[\omega] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i^N \omega_i.$$

```
function [res] = test_sampling(M, Do, Do_sample)

    %%% Reference
    moment_x = 0;
    moment_y = 0;
    moment_z = 0;
    dangle = 0.01; % decrease for improved precision
    for theta = 0 : dangle : pi
        for phi = 0 : dangle : 2*pi
            w = [cos(phi)*sin(theta) sin(phi)*sin(theta) cos(theta)];

            weight = dangle*dangle*sin(theta) * D(w, M, Do);
            moment_x += weight * w(1);
            moment_y += weight * w(2);
            moment_z += weight * w(3);
        end
    end
    disp('reference')
    moment_x
    moment_y
    moment_z

    %%% Sampling
    moment_x = 0;
    moment_y = 0;
    moment_z = 0;
    for sample = 1 : 10000
        w = D_sample(M, Do_sample);
        moment_x += 0.0001 * w(1);
        moment_y += 0.0001 * w(2);
        moment_z += 0.0001 * w(3);
    end
    disp('sampling')
```



```
        moment_x  
        moment_y  
        moment_z  
    endfunction
```

Example

```
>> test_sampling(M, 'Do_squared_clamped_cosine', 'sample_Do_squared_clamped_cosine')  
reference  
moment_x = 0.54400  
moment_y = 0.49160  
moment_z = 0.10410  
sampling  
moment_x = 0.54477  
moment_y = 0.49372  
moment_z = 0.10481
```