CSC 4356 Interactive Computer Graphics Lecture 2: Math for Computer Graphics

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Update

• Course Website:

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- Syllabus available on the website
- Office hours
 - Jinwei Ye:
 - 2:00-4:00pm Thursday 3272T PFT
 - Simron Thapa
 - 2:00-4:00pm Tuesday
 - 174A Coates Hall (May change to PFT in late Sept)

Lecture 2: Math for Computer Graphics

- Analytic Geometry
- Vectors
- Matrices
- Math problem set will be assigned today



Build A 3D World

- What geometric primitives will you need?
 - Point
 - Line
 - Plane
 - Cube
 - Sphere



How to represent a point?

- Coordinate system (Cartesian)
 - Origin
 - Orthogonal Axes
 - Unit



3D Coordinate

Left-handed system
 Right-handed system



Lines?

• Line Segment

- Defined by two end points



• Vector

- Line with direction!



Vector

- Vector looks like an arrow
- Defined by *direction* and *length* Absolute location is not important
- Usually written with bold letters or letters with arrow top

– For example: \mathbf{a} or \vec{a}



Vector Representation

 Vectors are represented by their coordinates on x and y axes



Vector Representation

What if the starting point is not at origin?
– Take difference between the two end points



Vector Properties

- Length: $||a|| = \sqrt{x_a^2 + y_a^2}$
- Direction in angle: $\theta = \cos^{-1}(\frac{x_a}{||a||})$



Vector Operations

- Addition
- Subtraction
- Scaling
- Multiplication
 - Dot product
 - Cross product

Vector Addition

- Geometrically: Parallelogram rule
- Arithmetically: Simply add coordinates
- Vector addition is commutative



 $a + b = b + a = (x_a + x_b, y_a + y_b)$

Vector Subtraction

• We define minus (or negative) such that

-a + a = 0

– Simply reverse the direction

- Length keeps the same
- Zero vector $\mathbf{0}$: length = 0 & direction undefined

a

-b

a

Subtraction is defined as

a-b=-b+a

Parallelogram Rule

• If two vectors share the same origin, the two diagonals in the formed parallelogram give a + b and a - b



Vector Scaling

 Scaling operation scales the vector's length while the direction remains the same

 $||k\boldsymbol{a}|| = k||\boldsymbol{a}||$

- Scaling can be combined with addition and subtraction
 - Linear combination



Vector Coordinate

 Vector coordinate can be expressed by linear combination (scaling and addition) of two unit basis vectors *i* and *j*



Vector Multiplication

Dot product

– Produce a scalar

Cross product

- Produce a new vector

Dot Product

Dot product is defined as

 $\boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{b} = \|\boldsymbol{a}\| \|\boldsymbol{b}\| \cos \boldsymbol{\theta}$



where $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is the angle between the two vectors

- Dot product is also called scalar product
 because its result is a scalar
- Dot product is commutative

 $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$

Dot product is distributive

$$a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$$

Dot Products in Coordinate

Dot product is defined as

 $a \cdot b = ||a|| ||b|| \cos \theta$ where θ is the angle between the two vectors



Dot Product: Applications

• Find angle between two vectors

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{b}}{\|\boldsymbol{a}\| \|\boldsymbol{b}\|}\right)$$

a

θ

h

- Finding *projection* of one vector on another
 - Useful in coordinate transformation
 - Projection of **a** on **b**

 $\|a \rightarrow b\| = \|a\| \cos \theta = \frac{a \cdot b}{\|b\|}$

Cross Product

- Cross product is only used for 3D vectors
- Cross product results in a new vector

$$c = a \times b$$

- Direction of *c* is orthogonal to the two initial vectors
- Direction is determined by right-hand rule



Cross Product

• Length of cross product?

 $||c|| = ||a \times b|| = ||a|||b|| \sin \theta$ where θ is the angle formed the initial two vectors

Area of the parallelogram formed by the two vectors!



Cross Product: Properties

Cross product is distributive

$$a \times (b + c) = a \times b + a \times c$$

 $(ka) \times b = a \times (kb) = k(a \times b)$

Cross product is NOT commutative

$$a \times b = -b \times a$$

- Order matter!
- Think about the right-hand rule

Cross Product in Coordinate

- Given $a = (x_a, y_a, z_a) \& b = (x_b, y_b, z_b)$
- Calculated by determinant

$$a \times b = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ x_a & y_a & z_a \\ x_b & y_b & z_b \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= (y_a z_b - z_a y_b) i$$
$$+ (z_a x_b - x_a z_b) j$$
$$+ (x_a y_b - y_a x_b) k$$



Applications in Computer Graphics

- Constructing a coordinate system
 - Axes are mutually orthogonal
 - Follow right-hand rule
 - For any 3D Cartesian system (x-y-z):

$$z = x \times y$$
; $x = y \times z$; $y = z \times x$

Find Normal Vector of a plane

 Normal Vector n is a vector
 perpendicular to a plane
 Important to many graphics calculations

Quiz

Cross product of two parallel vectors?



Matrices

• What are matrices?

– Array of numbers (m x n = m rows, n columns)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 10 \\ 5 & 6 \\ 8 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} (4 \times 2)$$

Important to geometric transformations

 Translation, rotation, shear, scale
 (will talk about next time)

Matrix Operations

- Addition/Subtraction
 - per-element operation
- Multiply by scalar
 per-element operation
- Matrix-matrix multiplication

– A little tricky... we'll see how

Matrix-Matrix Multiplication

- To compute the (i,j)th element in the result:
 - Multiply the *ith row* in the first matrix with the *jth column* in the second matrix
 - Then sum them up



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Multiplication Properties

- Number of columns in the first matrix must equal to the number of rows in the second matrix
- Non-commutative!
 - AB≠BA
 - Sometimes changing order even makes the operation illegal!
- Associative
 - (AB)C=A(BC)
- Distributive
 - -A(B+C)=AB+AC
 - -(A+B)C=AC+BC

Matrix-Vector Multiplication

- Later we'll use a lot!
- Treat Vector as a *column* matrix
- Example: given vector $\boldsymbol{a} = (x_a, y_a)$



Matrix Transpose

- Switch rows and column indices
- If A is a m x n matrix, its transpose A^T is a n x m matrix
- Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 10 \\ 5 & 6 \\ 8 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{\mathrm{T}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 8 & 1 \\ 10 & 6 & 7 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Identity Matrix & Inversion

Identity matrix is a square matrix (row = column) with all its diagonal elements equal to 1 and the rest 0

$$|_{(3\times3)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Inverse Matrix A⁻¹

$$AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$$

Compute Inverse Matrix

- Only square matrix can be inversed
- Matrix inversion formula:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{det(A)} adj(A)$$

where *det*(A) is the determinant of A

adj(A) is the adjugate matrix of A

Example

- Given a 2 x 2 matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$
- Let's compute its inverse matrix A⁻¹

$$adj(A) = \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$
$$det(A) = ad - cb$$
$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - cb} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{d}{ad - cb} & \frac{-b}{ad - cb} \\ \frac{-c}{ad - cb} & \frac{a}{ad - cb} \end{bmatrix}$$

Math Problem Set

- Due on next Thursday (8/31)
- Turn in by *yourself* in class
- Submission will not be accepted after Thursday class
- Your solution will be graded based on each step! (only writing the final result will earn a small portion of the score)
- Write clearly and staple all paper together