

Affine Transformations

CSE 457

Reading

Required:

- ♦ Angel 3.1, 3.7-3.11

Further reading:

- ♦ Angel, the rest of Chapter 3
- ♦ Foley, et al, Chapter 5.1-5.5.
- ♦ David F. Rogers and J. Alan Adams,
Mathematical Elements for Computer Graphics, 2nd Ed., McGraw-Hill, New York, 1990, Chapter 2.

Geometric transformations

Geometric transformations will map points in one space to points in another: $(x', y', z') = \mathbf{f}(x, y, z)$.

These transformations can be very simple, such as scaling each coordinate, or complex, such as non-linear twists and bends.

We'll focus on transformations that can be represented easily with matrix operations.

Vector representation

We can represent a **point**, $\mathbf{p} = (x,y)$, in the plane or $\mathbf{p}=(x,y,z)$ in 3D space

- ♦ as column vectors

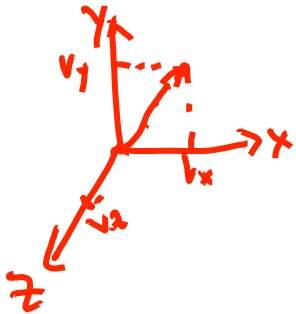
$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

2D 3D

- ♦ as row vectors

$$\mathbf{p} = [x \ y] \quad 2D$$
$$\mathbf{p} = [x \ y \ z] \quad 3D$$

Canonical axes



right hand
rule

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z} \quad \hat{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \hat{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \hat{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V = v_x \cdot \hat{x} + v_y \cdot \hat{y} + v_z \cdot \hat{z} = \begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{pmatrix}$$

Vector length and dot products

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{pmatrix} \quad u = \begin{pmatrix} u_x \\ u_y \\ u_z \end{pmatrix}$$

length $\|v\| = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2}$

\hat{v} unit vector $\|\hat{v}\| = 1$

$$\frac{v}{\|v\|} = \hat{v}$$

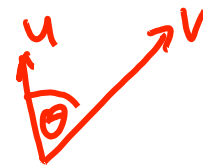
transpose $v^T = (v_x \ v_y \ v_z)$

dot product

$$\begin{aligned} u \cdot v &= u_x v_x + u_y v_y + u_z v_z \\ &= \underline{u^T \cdot v} \quad \text{multiplication} \\ &= (u_x \ u_y \ u_z) \begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$u \cdot u = \|u\|^2$$

geometric interp.



$$u \cdot v = \|u\| \|v\| \cos \theta$$

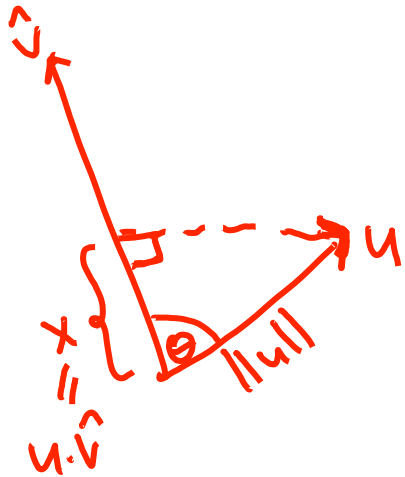
$$\theta = 0^\circ \Rightarrow \text{parallel } \hat{u} \cdot \hat{v} = 1$$

$$\theta = 90^\circ \Rightarrow \text{orthogonal } u \cdot v = 0$$



$$\begin{aligned} u \cdot v &= v \cdot u \quad \text{yes true} \\ \theta = 180^\circ &\quad \hat{u} \cdot \hat{v} = -1 \end{aligned}$$

projection of u onto \hat{v}



$$\cos \theta = \frac{x}{\|u\|} \Rightarrow x = \|u\| \cos \theta$$

$$u \cdot v = \|u\| \|v\| \cos \theta = \|v\| \cdot x$$

$$x = \frac{u \cdot v}{\|v\|} = u \cdot \hat{v}$$

$$(u \cdot \hat{v}) \hat{v}$$

Vector cross products

$$u \times v = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ u_x & u_y & u_z \\ v_x & v_y & v_z \end{vmatrix} = \hat{x} \begin{vmatrix} u_y & u_z \\ v_y & v_z \end{vmatrix} - \hat{y} \begin{vmatrix} u_x & u_z \\ v_x & v_z \end{vmatrix} + \hat{z} \begin{vmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{vmatrix}$$

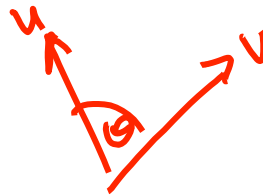
$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc \implies \begin{pmatrix} u_y v_z - u_z v_y \\ -u_x v_z + u_z v_x \\ u_x v_y - u_y v_x \end{pmatrix}$$

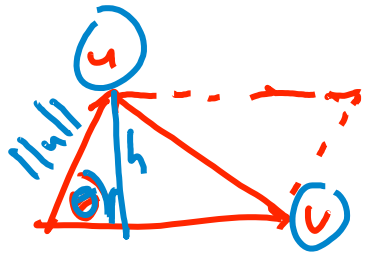
$$(u \times v) \cdot u = 0$$

$$(u \times v) \cdot v = 0$$

$$u \times v = -v \times u$$

$$\|u \times v\| = \|u\| \|v\| \sin \theta$$





$$A_{\square} = \|u \times v\|$$

$$A_{\Delta} = \frac{\|u \times v\|}{2}$$

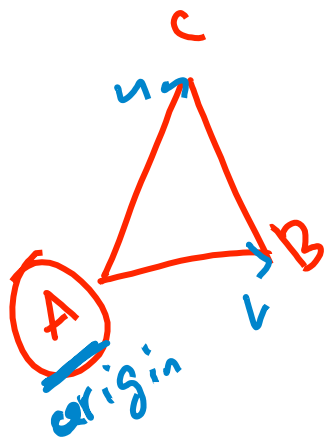
v - base

$$A_{\square} = h \cdot \|v\|$$

$$h = \|u\| \sin \theta$$

$$A_{\square} = \|u\| \|v\| \sin \theta$$

$$= \|u \times v\|$$



$$\frac{\|(\underline{C-A}) \times (\underline{C-B})\|}{2}$$

Representation, cont.

We can represent a **2-D transformation** M by a matrix

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

2×2

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

3×3

If \mathbf{p} is a column vector, M goes on the left:

$$\mathbf{p}' = M\mathbf{p}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{p}' = M \mathbf{p}$

If \mathbf{p} is a row vector, M^T goes on the right:

$$\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{p}M^T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' & y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x & y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$$

We will use **column vectors**.

Two-dimensional transformations

Here's all you get with a 2 x 2 transformation matrix M :

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

So:

$$x' = ax + by$$

$$y' = cx + dy$$

We will develop some intimacy with the elements $a, b, c, d...$

Identity

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose we choose $a=d=1$, $b=c=0$:

- ◆ Gives the **identity** matrix:

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ◆ Doesn't move the points at all

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} x' = x \\ y' = y \end{array}}$$

Scaling

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose we set $b=c=0$, but let a and d take on any positive value:

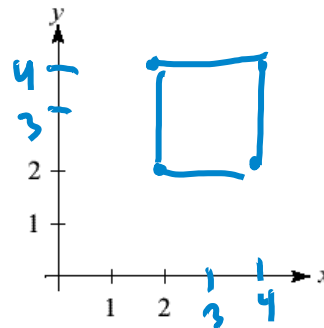
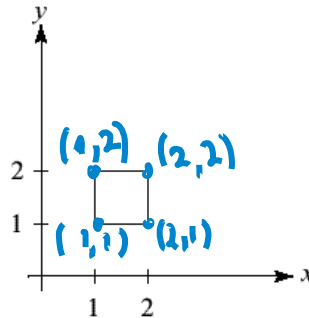
- ◆ Gives a **scaling** matrix:

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix}$$

- ◆ Provides **differential (non-uniform) scaling** in x and y :

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= ax \\ y' &= dy \end{aligned}$$

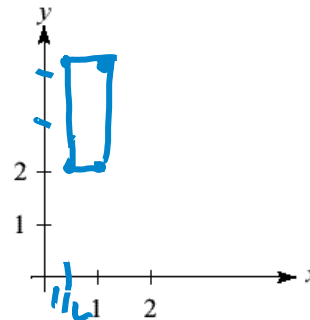
(2b)



M uniform scaling = 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



M

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Reflection/Mirroring

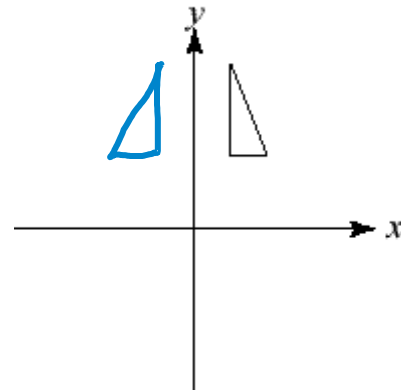
$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose we keep $b=c=0$, but let either a or d go negative.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$$

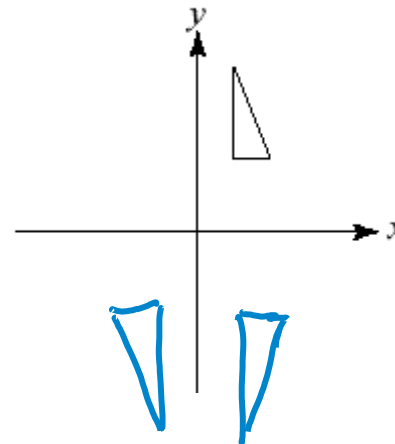
Examples:

$$M_1$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$x' = -x$$
$$y' = y$$



$$M_2$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x' = x$$
$$y' = -y$$



$$\text{rotation} = M_1 M_2 \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Shearing

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Now let's leave $a=d=1$ and experiment with b . . .

The matrix

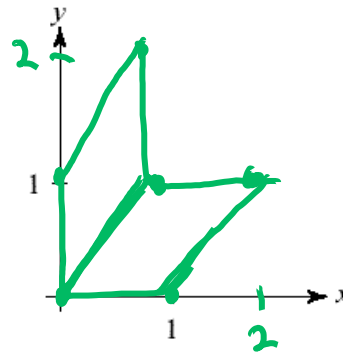
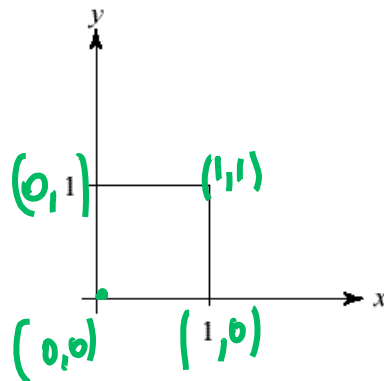
$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

gives:

$$x' = x + by$$

$$y' = y$$

$$b=1 \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$M \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

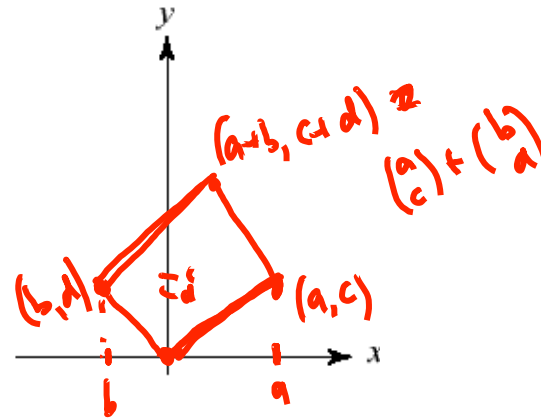
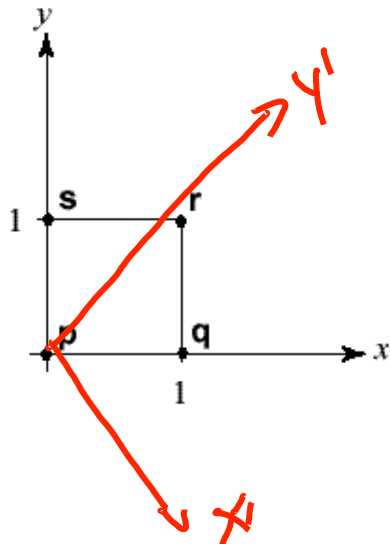
Effect on unit square

Let's see how a general 2 x 2 transformation M affects the unit square:

M points on S_1 .

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p & q & r & s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p' & q' & r' & s' \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & a+b & b \\ 0 & c & c+d & d \end{bmatrix}$$



Effect on unit square, cont.

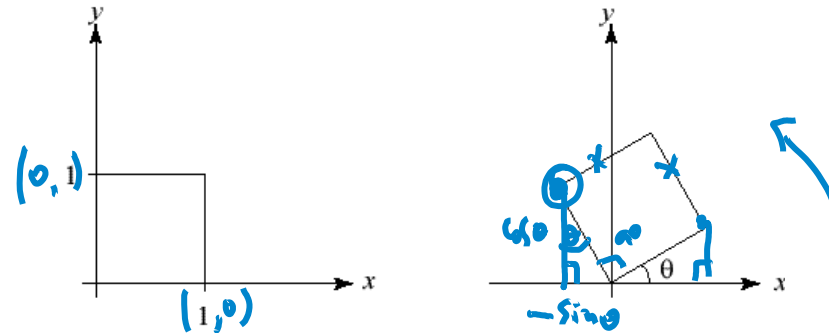
Observe:

- ♦ Origin invariant under M
- ♦ M can be determined just by knowing how the corners $(1,0)$ and $(0,1)$ are mapped
- ♦ a and d give x - and y -scaling
- ♦ b and c give x - and y -shearing

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Rotation

From our observations of the effect on the unit square, it should be easy to write down a matrix for “rotation about the origin”:



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$M = R(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

2D rotation by θ

Limitations of the 2 x 2 matrix

A 2 x 2 linear transformation matrix allows

- ◆ Scaling
- ◆ Rotation
- ◆ Reflection
- ◆ Shearing

Q: What important operation does that leave out?

Translation

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = M \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

2×2

Homogeneous coordinates

Idea is to lift the problem up into 3-space, adding a third component to every point:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p' = p + \begin{pmatrix} tx \\ ty \end{pmatrix}$$

Adding the third “w” component puts us in **homogenous coordinates**.

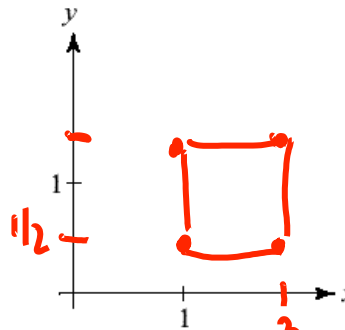
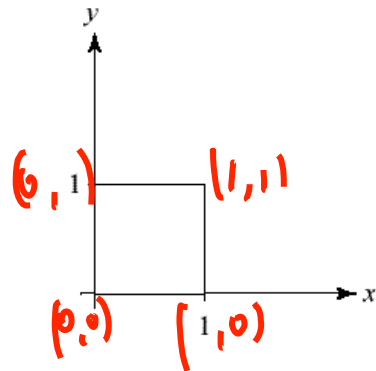
And then transform with a 3 x 3 matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ w' \end{bmatrix} = T(\mathbf{t}) \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x + tx \\ y + ty \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

... gives translation!

Anatomy of an affine matrix

The addition of translation to linear transformations gives us **affine transformations**.

In matrix form, 2D affine transformations always look like this:

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & t_x \\ c & d & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} \mathbf{A} & & \mathbf{t} \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

2D affine transformations always have a bottom row of [0 0 1].

An “affine point” is a “linear point” with an added w -coordinate which is always 1:

$$\mathbf{p}_{\text{aff}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_{\text{lin}} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Applying an affine transformation gives another affine point:

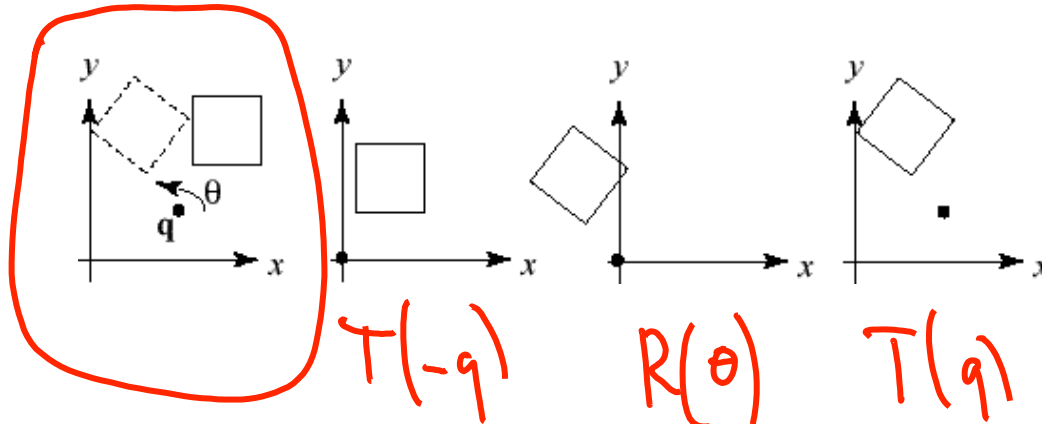
$$M\mathbf{p}_{\text{aff}} = \begin{bmatrix} A\mathbf{p}_{\text{lin}} + \mathbf{t} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotation about arbitrary points

Until now, we have only considered rotation about the origin.

With homogeneous coordinates, you can specify a rotation, q , about any point $\mathbf{q} = [q_x \ q_y]^T$ with a matrix:

T - translation
R - rotation operation



$$p' = R(p - t) + t$$

$$p' = Rp - Rt + t$$

$$p' = \begin{pmatrix} R & -Rt + t \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} p$$

1. Translate q to origin

2. Rotate

3. Translate back

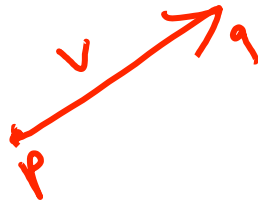
~~$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = T(-q) R(\theta) T(q) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$~~

Note: Transformation order is important!!

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{T(q) R(\theta) T(-q)}_M \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p = \begin{pmatrix} x_p \\ y_p \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$q = \begin{pmatrix} x_q \\ y_q \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$p - q = \begin{pmatrix} x_p - x_q \\ y_p - y_q \\ \underline{\underline{0}} \end{pmatrix}$$

vector
3rd coord. is
always 0

$$p + q = \begin{pmatrix} x_p + x_q \\ y_p + y_q \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha p + \beta q = \begin{pmatrix} : \\ \alpha + \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_1 + v_2 \rightarrow \text{vector}$$

$$\text{scale} \cdot v \rightarrow \text{vector}$$

$$p_1 - p_2 \rightarrow \text{vector}$$

$$p_1 + p_2 \rightarrow ?$$

$$\alpha + \beta = 1 \Rightarrow \text{point}$$

$$\alpha + \beta = 0 \Rightarrow \text{vector}$$

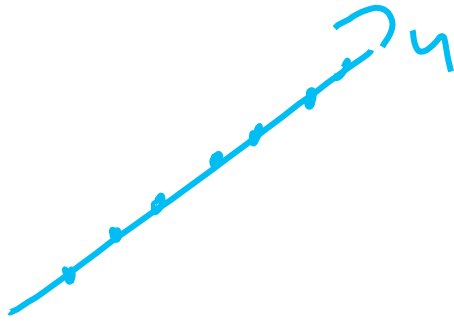
$$\alpha p + \beta q + \gamma r = p'$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1 \Rightarrow \text{point}$$

$$\sum \alpha_i = 1 \Rightarrow \text{point}$$

$$p' = p + d \vec{u} \quad d \in [-\infty, \infty)$$

family of point which is line



$$p' = p + d \vec{u} \quad d \in [0, \infty)$$

Ray

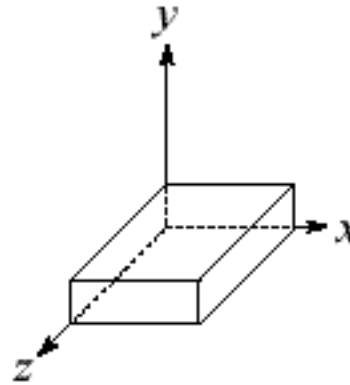
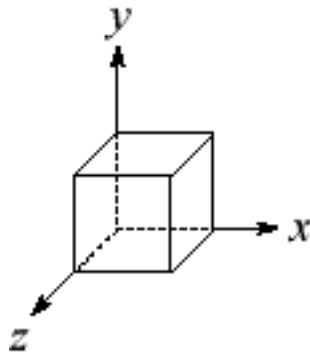
Basic 3-D transformations: scaling

Some of the 3-D transformations are just like the 2-D ones.

For example, scaling:

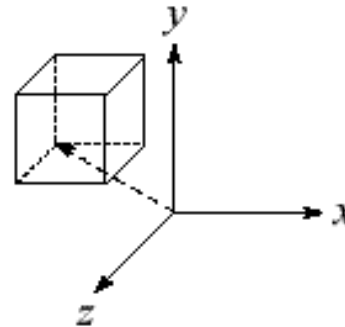
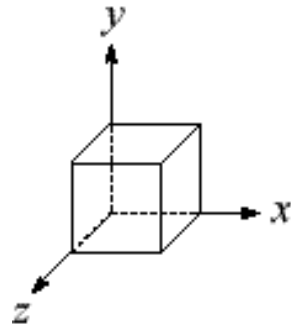
$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

4x4



Translation in 3D

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



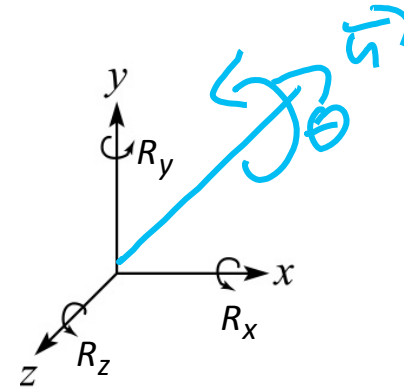
Rotation in 3D (cont'd)

These are the rotations about the canonical axes:

$$R_x(\alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_y(\beta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta & 0 & \sin \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin \beta & 0 & \cos \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_z(\gamma) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \gamma & -\sin \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Use right hand rule

$$\vec{u}, \theta$$

$$\sqrt{u_x^2 + u_y^2 + u_z^2} = 1$$

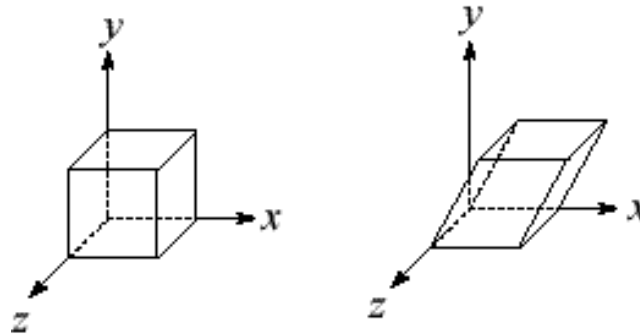
A general rotation can be specified in terms of a product of these three matrices. How else might you specify a rotation?

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix} = R_z R_y R_x \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

Shearing in 3D

Shearing is also more complicated. Here is one example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



We call this a shear with respect to the x-z plane.

Properties of affine transformations

Here are some useful properties of affine transformations:

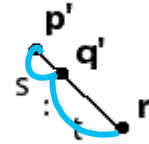
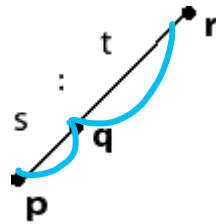
- ◆ Lines map to lines
- ✓◆ Parallel lines remain parallel
- ◆ Midpoints map to midpoints (in fact, ratios are always preserved)

$$p_1 = p + d \vec{u}$$

$$p_2 = q + \beta \vec{u}$$

$$M(p + d \vec{u}) = M_p + d M \vec{u}$$

$$M(q + \beta \vec{u}) = M_q + \beta M \vec{u}$$



$$\text{ratio} = \frac{\|pq\|}{\|qr\|} = \frac{s}{t} = \frac{\|p'q'\|}{\|q'r'\|}$$



Affine transformations in OpenGL

OpenGL maintains a “modelview” matrix that holds the current transformation **M**.

The modelview matrix is applied to points (usually vertices of polygons) before drawing.

It is modified by commands including:

- ♦ `glLoadIdentity()` **M** ← **I**
– set **M** to identity
- ♦ `glTranslatef(tx, ty, tz)` **M** ← **MT**
– translate by (*t_x*, *t_y*, *t_z*)
- ♦ `glRotatef(θ, x, y, z)` **M** ← **MR**
– rotate by angle *θ* about axis (*x*, *y*, *z*)
- ♦ `glScalef(sx, sy, sz)` **M** ← **MS**
– scale by (*s_x*, *s_y*, *s_z*)

MTRS... $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

Note that OpenGL adds transformations by *postmultiplication* of the modelview matrix.

Summary

What to take away from this lecture:

- ◆ All the names in boldface.
- ◆ How points and transformations are represented.
- ◆ How to compute lengths, dot products, and cross products of vectors, and what their geometrical meanings are.
- ◆ What all the elements of a 2×2 transformation matrix do and how these generalize to 3×3 transformations.
- ◆ What homogeneous coordinates are and how they work for affine transformations.
- ◆ How to concatenate transformations.
- ◆ The mathematical properties of affine transformations.