

points vs vectors

- we will think of vectors as motion between points \vec{v}
 - lives in a linear space R^3
 - addition and scalar multiplication have meaning
 - zero vector is no motion
 - cannot really translate motion
- we will think of points as a places \tilde{p}
 - lives in an affine space A^3
 - addition and scalar mul don't make sense
 - zero doesn't make sense
 - subtraction does make sense, gives us motion

$$\tilde{p} - \tilde{q} = \vec{v}$$

- Conversely point and motion gives a point

$$\tilde{q} + \vec{v} = \tilde{p}$$

frames

- basis is three vectors

$$\vec{v} = \sum_i c_i \vec{b}_i$$

- for affine space we will a frame
 - start with origin point \tilde{o} ,
 - adding to it a linear combination of vectors using coordinates c_i

$$\tilde{p} = \tilde{o} + \sum_i c_i \vec{b}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 & \tilde{o} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{\mathbf{f}}^t \mathbf{c}$$

homogeneous coordinates

- point is specified with homogeneous coordinate vector
 - four numbers
 - last one is always 1
- (if last coordinate is 0, we get a vector)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 & \tilde{o} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{v}$$

affine matrices

- a we will call a matrix an “affine matrix” if it is of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \\ i & j & k & l \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- we perform an affine transformation on a point by placing an affine matrix between a frame and a homogeneous coordinate vector, just like with linear transforms

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 & \tilde{o} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 & \tilde{o} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \\ i & j & k & l \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- the data types work iff the 4th row is $[0, 0, 0, 1]$

Linear transforms

- suppose i transform using a matrix of the form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 & \tilde{o} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 & \tilde{o} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & 0 \\ d & e & f & 0 \\ g & h & i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 & \tilde{o} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- this has the same effect on the coordinates as a 3by3 matrix multiply
- as if we applied a linear transform on the vectors connecting the origin to the point
- so we can use this to, say rotate a point about the origin

translations

- suppose i transform using a matrix of the form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 & \tilde{o} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 & \tilde{o} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 & \tilde{o} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- we get A 3D translation by $[t_x, t_y, t_z]^t$

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= x + t_x \\ y' &= y + t_y \\ z' &= z + t_z \end{aligned}$$

- (a vector cannot be translated)

rotations and translations

- we can rotate point about the frame using matrix

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} k_x^2 v + c & k_x k_y v - k_z s & k_x k_z v + k_y s & 0 \\ k_y k_x v + k_z s & k_y^2 v + c & k_y k_z v - k_x s & 0 \\ k_z k_x v - k_y s & k_z k_y v + k_x s & k_z^2 v + c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- composition of translation and rotation matrix gives us

$$TR = \begin{bmatrix} k_x^2 v + c & k_x k_y v - k_z s & k_x k_z v + k_y s & t_x \\ k_y k_x v + k_z s & k_y^2 v + c & k_y k_z v - k_x s & t_y \\ k_z k_x v - k_y s & k_z k_y v + k_x s & k_z^2 v + c & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- this is called a rigid body transform.
- so it is easy to factor a rbt matrix $M = TR$.

frame is important

- given point and matrix is not enough to specify mapping
- for example point \tilde{p} and the matrix

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- the matrix is non-uniform scaling
- fix a frame \vec{f}^t
- in this frame $\tilde{p} = \vec{f}^t \mathbf{c}$
- transform with matrix $\vec{f}^t \mathbf{c} \Rightarrow \vec{f}^t S \mathbf{c}$
- the stretches by factor of two in direction \vec{f}_1

other frame

- pick some other frame \vec{a}^t .
- relationship between bases $\vec{a}^t = \vec{f}^t M$.
- express same point as $\tilde{p} = \vec{f}^t \mathbf{c} = \vec{a}^t M^{-1} \mathbf{c} = \vec{a}^t \mathbf{d}$,
- use matrix S we get $\vec{a}^t \mathbf{d} \Rightarrow \vec{a}^t S \mathbf{d}$.
 - (equiv statement $\vec{a}^t M^{-1} \mathbf{c} \Rightarrow \vec{a}^t S M^{-1} \mathbf{c}$.)
- the same point \tilde{p} is stretched about direction \vec{a}_1

SO

- in general, if $\tilde{p} = \vec{a}^t B D \mathbf{c}$
- then $\vec{a}^t B Q D \mathbf{c}$ is the result of doing “ Q to \tilde{p} wrt $\vec{a}^t B$ ”
- the point is transformed with respect to the the frame that appears immediately to the left of transformation matrix in the expression.
- call it the “left of” rule.

- important: same rule used for transformations of frames
- in general, if $\vec{f}^t = \vec{a}^t B D$
- then $\vec{a}^t B Q D$ is the result of doing “ Q to \vec{f}^t wrt $\vec{a}^t B$ ”
- nb: our named matrices (say rotations) only do the expected thing when applied wrt an orthonormal frame.
 - so this will impact how we do non-uniform scales for our robots.

tforms using auxiliary basis

- we may want to tform a frame \vec{f}^t using lets say a rotation R , with respect to some auxiliary frame \vec{a}^t .
- given

$$\vec{f}^t M = \vec{a}^t$$

- The transformed coordinate system can then be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{f}^t &= \vec{a}^t M^{-1} \\ \Rightarrow \vec{a}^t R M^{-1} &= \vec{f}^t M R M^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

- using rewrites, transform using “left of” and more rewrites

multiple transformations

- using the “left of” rule
- example:
 - a rotation matrix R rotating a point by θ degrees about origin
 - translation matrix T , translating the point by one unit in the direction of the first frame axis.
- given transform

$$\vec{f}^t \Rightarrow \vec{f}^t R T$$

first way

- break into 2 steps
- first just use R

$$\vec{f}^t \Rightarrow \vec{f}^t R = \vec{f}'^t$$

- the frame \vec{f}'^t is rotated about the frame \vec{f}^t .
- The resulting frame can also be expressed as \vec{f}'^t .
- then this resulting frame is now transformed using T

$$\vec{f}'^t R \Rightarrow \vec{f}'^t R T$$

- which is the same as

$$\vec{f}'^t \Rightarrow \vec{f}'^t T$$

- using “left of” rule, translation is done along the direction of the first frame axis of \vec{f}'^t .

other way

- can interpret another way
- first apply the translation

$$\vec{\mathbf{f}}^t \Rightarrow \vec{\mathbf{f}}^t \mathbf{T}$$

- the frame $\vec{\mathbf{f}}^t$ is first translated one unit in the direction of the first basis axis of $\vec{\mathbf{f}}^t$.
- then rotate the resulting frame

$$\vec{\mathbf{f}}^t \mathbf{T} \Rightarrow \vec{\mathbf{f}}^t \mathbf{R} \mathbf{T}$$

- R is placed with $\vec{\mathbf{f}}^t$ immediately to its left,
 - so the rotation with respect to $\vec{\mathbf{f}}^t$.

summary

- first interp
 - Rotate with respect to $\vec{\mathbf{f}}^t$
 - translate wrt $\vec{\mathbf{f}}^t = \vec{\mathbf{f}}^t R$
 - left to right, wrt latest in reading (local)
- second interp
 - Translate wrt $\vec{\mathbf{f}}^t$
 - rotate wrt $\vec{\mathbf{f}}^t$
 - right to left, wrt original frame in reading (global)