

CS 4204 Computer Graphics

Vector and Matrix

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Vectors

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Magnitude:

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$$

Unit vectors

$$\mathbf{v} : |\mathbf{v}| = 1$$

Normalizing a vector

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

Operations with vectors

Addition

$$\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n)$$

Multiplication with scalar (scaling)

$$a\mathbf{x} = (ax_1, \dots, ax_n), \quad a \in \mathfrak{R}$$

Properties

$$\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}$$

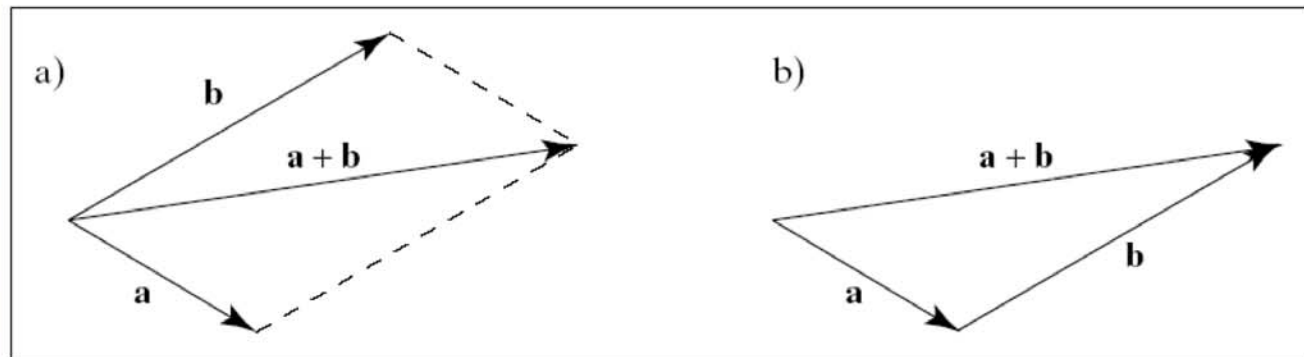
$$(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w})$$

$$a(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = a\mathbf{u} + a\mathbf{v}, \quad a \in \mathfrak{R}$$

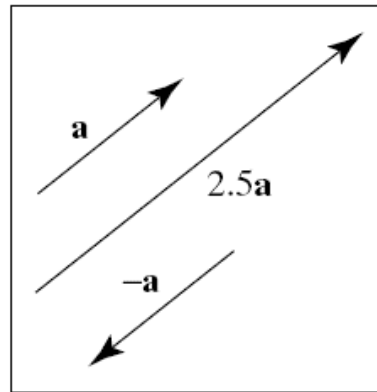
$$\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$$

Visualization for 2D and 3D vectors

Addition

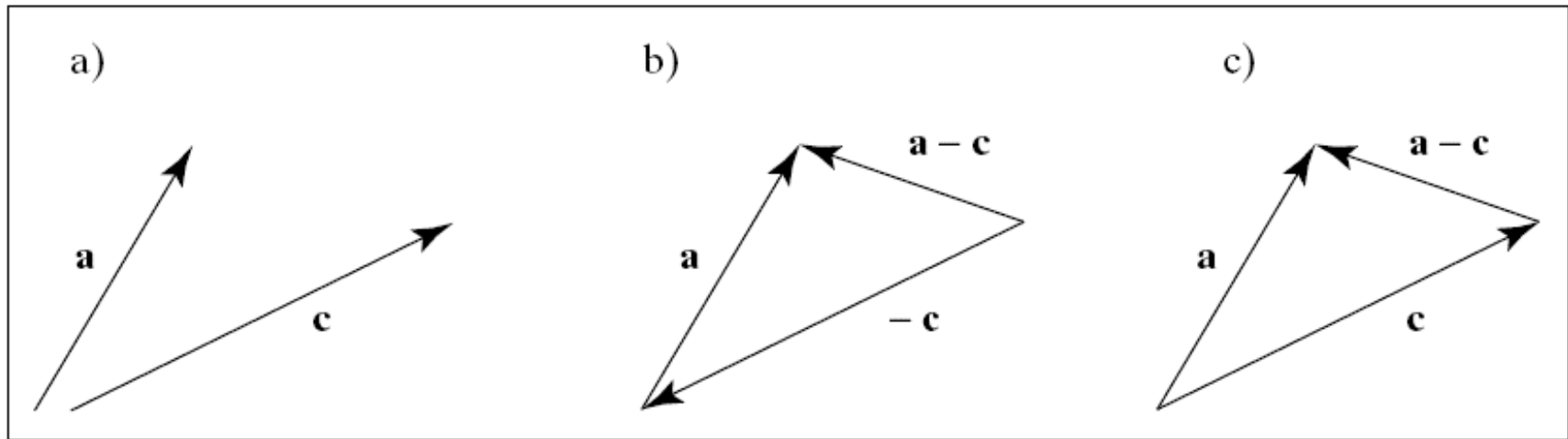


Scaling



Subtraction

Adding the negatively scaled vector



Linear combination of vectors

Definition

A linear combination of the m vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m$ is a vector of the form:

$$\mathbf{w} = a_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + a_m \mathbf{v}_m, \quad a_1, \dots, a_m \text{ in } \mathbb{R}$$

Special cases

Linear combination

$$\mathbf{w} = a_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + a_m \mathbf{v}_m, \quad a_1, \dots, a_m \text{ in } \mathbb{R}$$

Affine combination:

A linear combination for which $a_1 + \dots + a_m = 1$

Convex combination

An affine combination for which $a_i \geq 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, m$

Linear Independence

For vectors v_1, \dots, v_m

If $a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m = \mathbf{0}$ iff $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_m = 0$

then the vectors are linearly independent.

Generators and Base vectors

How many vectors are needed to generate a vector space?

- Any set of vectors that generate a vector space is called a generator set.
- Given a vector space \mathbf{R}^n we can prove that we need minimum n vectors to generate all vectors \mathbf{v} in \mathbf{R}^n .
- A generator set with minimum size is called a base for the given vector space.

Standard unit vectors

$$\mathbf{v} = (x_1, \dots, x_n), \quad x_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= x_1(1, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 0) \\ &\quad + x_2(0, 1, 0, \dots, 0, 0) \\ &\quad \dots \\ &\quad + x_n(0, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 1)\end{aligned}$$

Standard unit vectors

For any vector space R^n :

$$\mathbf{i}_1 = (1, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 0)$$

$$\mathbf{i}_2 = (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0, 0)$$

\dots

$$\mathbf{i}_n = (0, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 1)$$

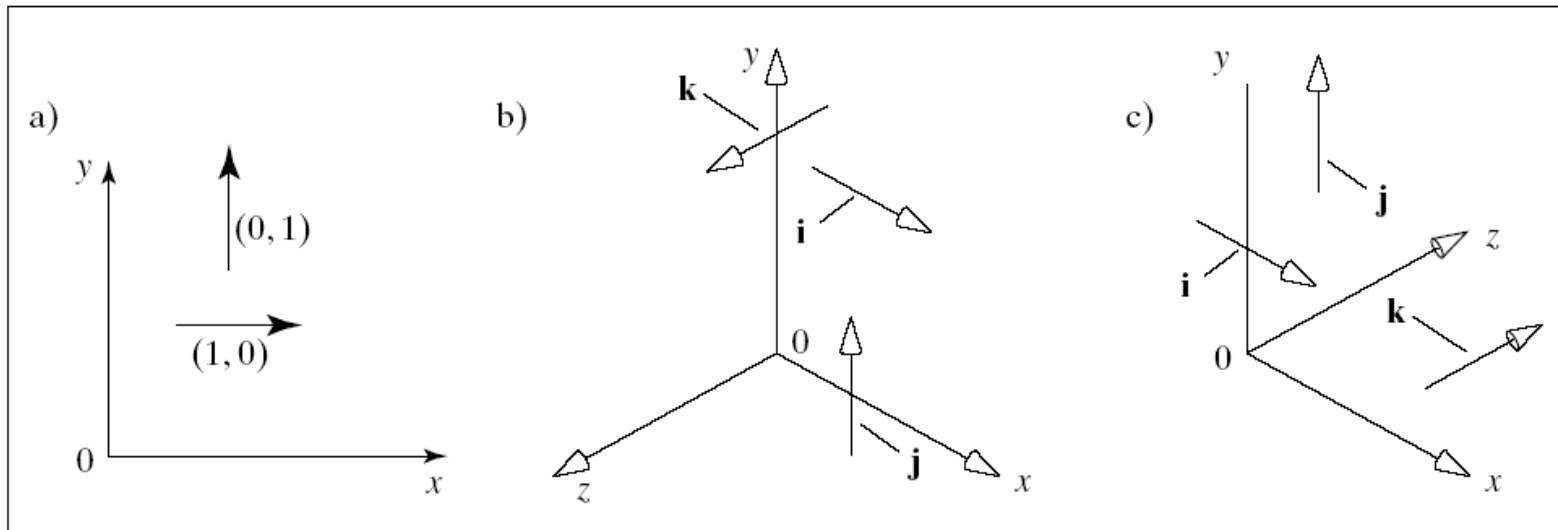
The elements of a vector v in R^n are the scalar coefficients of the linear combination of the base vectors.

Standard unit vectors in 3D

$$\mathbf{i} = (1,0,0)$$

$$\mathbf{j} = (0,1,0)$$

$$\mathbf{k} = (0,0,1)$$



Right handed

Left handed

Representation of vectors through basis vectors

Given a vector space R^n , a set of basis vectors $B \{b_i \text{ in } R^n, i=1, \dots, n\}$ and a vector v in R^n we can always find scalar coefficients such that:

$$\mathbf{v} = a_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + \dots + a_n \mathbf{b}_n$$

So, \mathbf{v} with respect to B is:

$$\mathbf{v}_B = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$$

Dot Product

Definition:

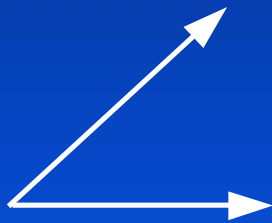
$$\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$
$$\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i v_i$$

Properties

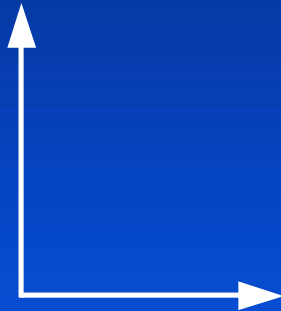
1. Symmetry: $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{a}$
2. Linearity: $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c}$
3. Homogeneity: $(s\mathbf{a}) \cdot \mathbf{b} = s(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b})$
4. $|\mathbf{b}|^2 = \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{b}$
5. $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = |\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}|\cos(\theta)$

Dot product and perpendicularity

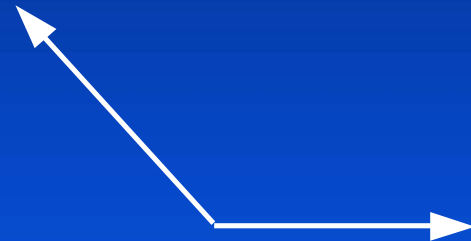
From Property 5:



$$b \cdot c > 0$$



$$b \cdot c = 0$$



$$b \cdot c < 0$$

Perpendicular vectors

Definition

Vectors **b** and **c** are perpendicular iff $\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c} = 0$

Also called normal or orthogonal

It is easy to see that the standard unit vectors form an orthogonal basis:

$$\mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{j} = 0, \quad \mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{k} = 0, \quad \mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{k} = 0$$

Cross product

Defined only for 3D Vectors and with respect to the standard unit vectors

Definition

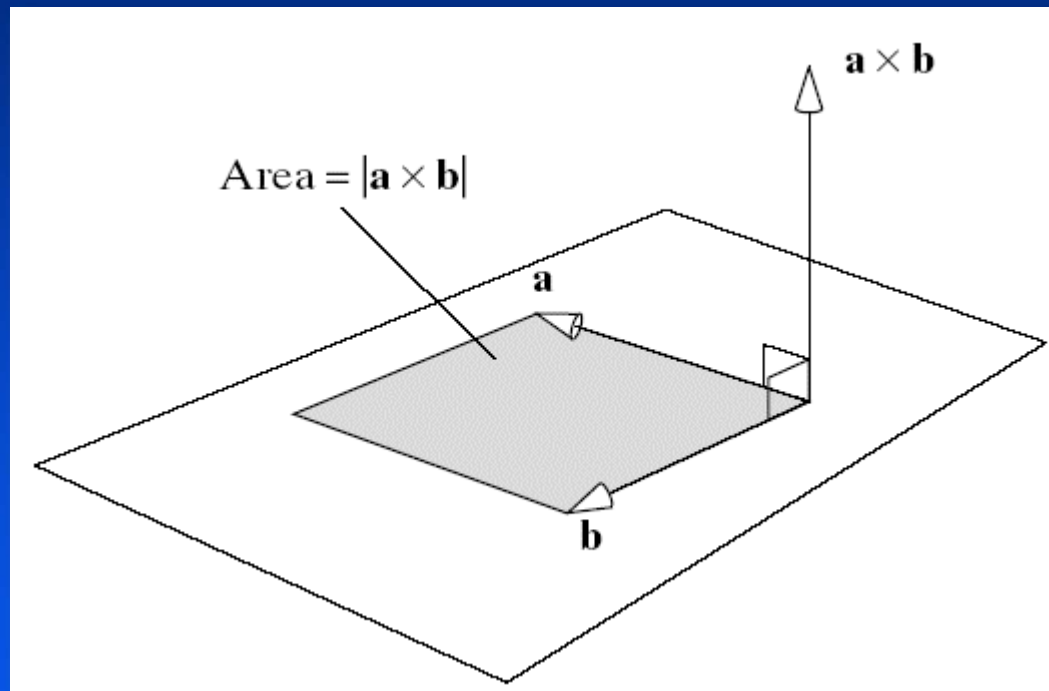
$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = (a_y b_z - a_z b_y)\mathbf{i} + (a_z b_x - a_x b_z)\mathbf{j} + (a_x b_y - a_y b_x)\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ a_x & a_y & a_z \\ b_x & b_y & b_z \end{vmatrix}$$

Properties of the cross product

1. $\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j} = \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{i} = -\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{j} = \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{0}$.
2. Antisymmetry: $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}$.
3. Linearity: $\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}$.
4. Homogeneity: $(s\mathbf{a}) \times \mathbf{b} = s(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b})$.
5. The cross product is normal to both vectors: $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{a} = 0$ and $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$.
6. $|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| = |\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}|\sin(\theta)$.

Geometric interpretation of the cross product



Recap

Vector spaces

Operations with vectors

Representing vectors through a basis

$$\mathbf{v} = a_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + \dots + a_n \mathbf{b}_n, \quad \mathbf{v}_B = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$$

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Points vs Vectors

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Points have location but no size or direction.

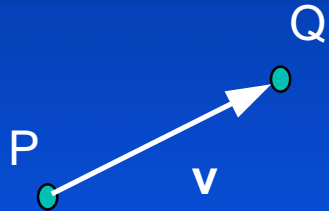
Vectors have size and direction but no location.

Problem: we represent both as triplets!

Relationship between points and vectors

A difference between two points is a vector:

$$Q - P = v$$

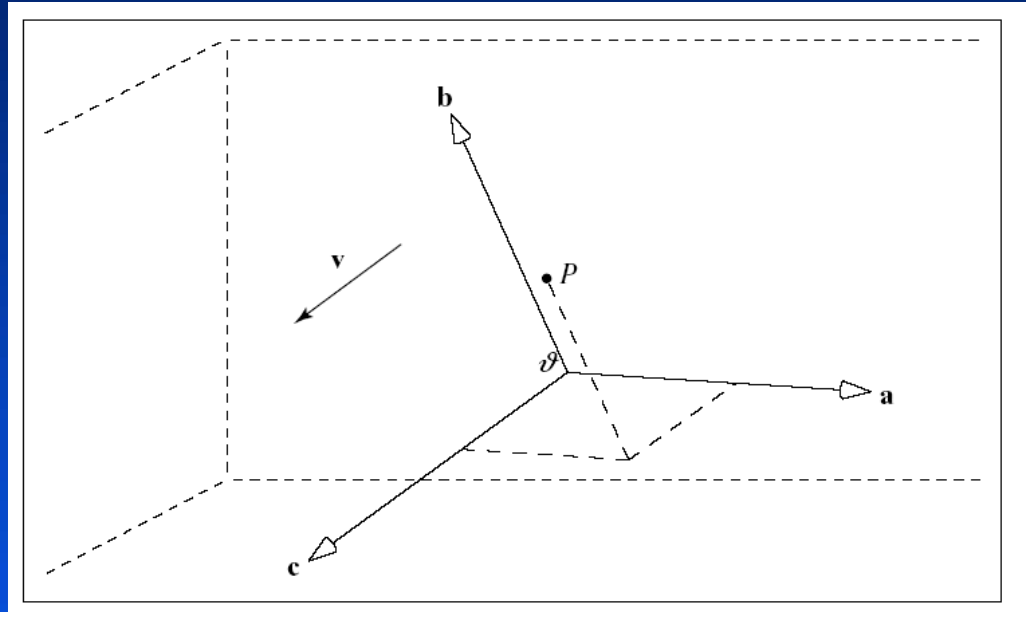


We can consider a point as a point plus an offset

$$Q = P + v$$

Coordinate systems

Defined by: $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \theta)$



$$\mathbf{v} = v_1 \mathbf{a} + v_2 \mathbf{b} + v_3 \mathbf{c}$$

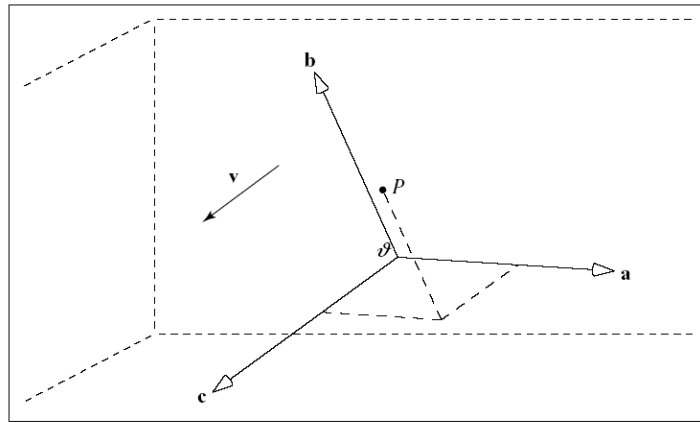
$$P - \theta = p_1 \mathbf{a} + p_2 \mathbf{b} + p_3 \mathbf{c}$$

$$P = \theta + p_1 \mathbf{a} + p_2 \mathbf{b} + p_3 \mathbf{c}$$

The homogeneous representation of points and vectors

$$\mathbf{v} = v_1\mathbf{a} + v_2\mathbf{b} + v_3\mathbf{c} \rightarrow \mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \theta) \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P = \theta + p_1\mathbf{a} + p_2\mathbf{b} + p_3\mathbf{c} \rightarrow P = (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \theta) \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Switching coordinates

Normal to homogeneous:

- Vector: append as fourth coordinate 0
- Point: append as fourth coordinate 1

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$P = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Switching coordinates

Homogeneous to normal:

- Vector: remove fourth coordinate (0)
- Point: remove fourth coordinate (1)

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$P = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Does the homogeneous representation support operations?

Operations :

- $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (v_1, v_2, v_3, 0) + (w_1, w_2, w_3, 0) = (v_1 + w_1, v_2 + w_2, v_3 + w_3, 0)$ **Vector!**
- $a\mathbf{v} = a(v_1, v_2, v_3, 0) = (av_1, av_2, av_3, 0),$ **Vector!**
- $a\mathbf{v} + b\mathbf{w} = a(v_1, v_2, v_3, 0) + b(w_1, w_2, w_3, 0) = (av_1 + bw_1, av_2 + bw_2, av_3 + bw_3, 0)$ **Vector!**
- $P + \mathbf{v} = (p_1, p_2, p_3, 1) + (v_1, v_2, v_3, 0) = (p_1 + v_1, p_2 + v_2, p_3 + v_3, 1)$ **Point!**

Linear combination of points

Points P, R scalars f, g :

$$\begin{aligned} fP+gR &= f(p_1, p_2, p_3, 1) + g(r_1, r_2, r_3, 1) \\ &= (fp_1+gr_1, fp_2+gr_2, fp_3+gr_3, f+g) \end{aligned}$$

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What is this?

- If $(f+g) = 0$ then vector!
- If $(f+g) = 1$ then point!

Affine combinations of points

Definition:

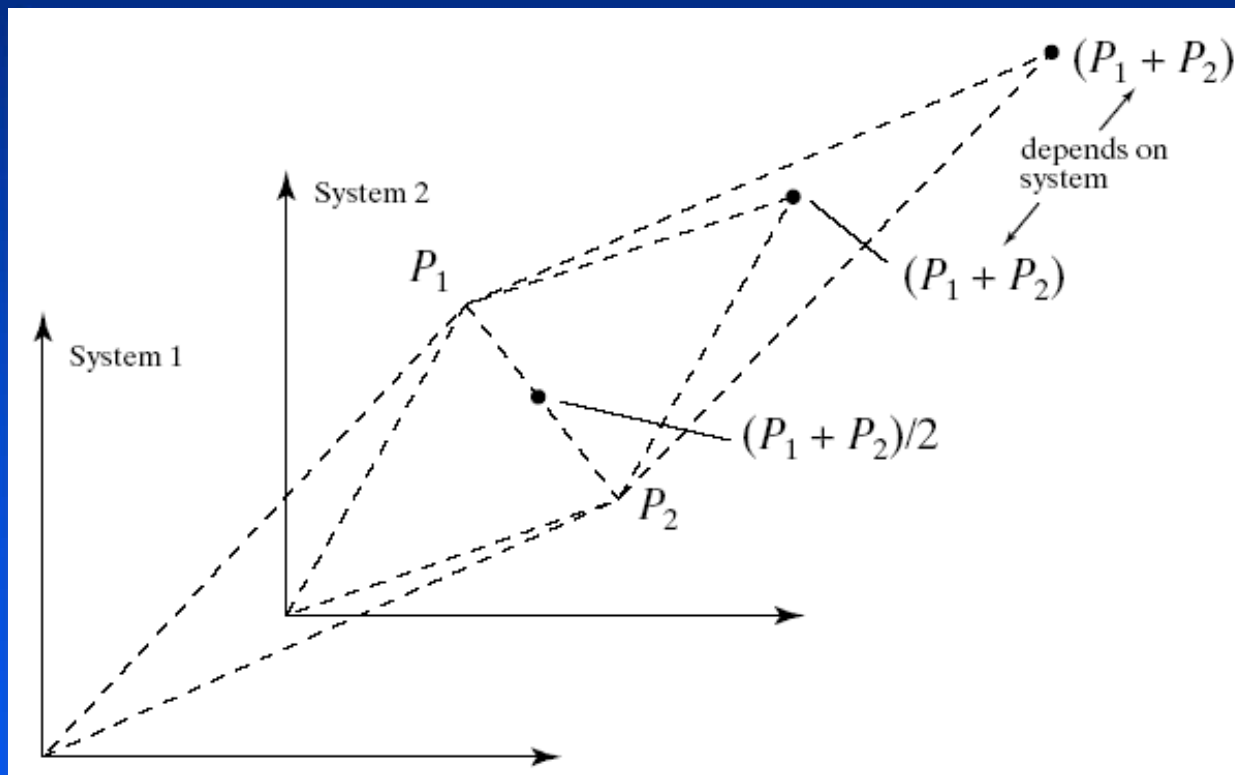
Points P_i : $i = 1, \dots, n$

Scalars f_i : $i = 1, \dots, n$

$$f_1 P_1 + \dots + f_n P_n \quad \text{iff} \quad f_1 + \dots + f_n = 1$$

Example: $0.5P_1 + 0.5P_2$

Geometric explanation



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*Homogeneous representations of points and
vectors*

Matrices

Rectangular arrangement of elements:

$$A_{3 \times 3} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2.0 & 0.5 \\ 0.2 & -4.0 & 2.1 \\ 3 & 0.4 & 8.2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = (A_{ij})$$

Special square matrices

Symmetric: $(A_{ij})_{n \times n} = (A_{ji})_{n \times n}$

Zero: $A_{ij} = 0$, for all i, j

Identity: $I_n = \begin{cases} I_{ii} = 1, \text{ for all } i \\ I_{ij} = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j \end{cases}$

Operations with matrices

Addition:

$$A_{m \times n} + B_{m \times n} = (a_{ij} + b_{ij})$$

Properties:

1. $A + B = B + A.$
2. $A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C.$
3. $f(A + B) = fA + fB.$
4. Transpose: $A^T = (a_{ij})^T = (a_{ji}).$

Multiplication

Definition:

$$C_{m \times l} = A_{m \times n} B_{n \times r}$$

$$(C_{ij}) = \left(\sum_k^n a_{ik} b_{kj} \right)$$

Properties:

1. $AB \neq BA$.
2. $A(BC) = (AB)C$.
3. $f(AB) = (fA)B$.
4. $A(B + C) = AB + AC$,
 $(B + C)A = BA + CA$.
5. $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$.

Inverse of a square matrix

Definition

$$MM^{-1} = M^{-1}M = I$$

Important property

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1} A^{-1}$$

Convention

Vectors and points are represented as column matrices.

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad v = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Dot product as a matrix multiplication

A vector is a column matrix

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} &= \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b} \\ &= (a_1, a_2, a_3) \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3. \end{aligned}$$

Lines and Planes

Lines

Line (in 2D)

- Explicit
- Implicit

$$y = \frac{dy}{dx}(x - x_0) + y_0$$

$$F(x, y) = (x - x_0)dy - (y - y_0)dx$$

if $F(x, y) = 0$ then (x, y) is on line
 $F(x, y) > 0$ (x, y) is below line
 $F(x, y) < 0$ (x, y) is above line

- Parametric (extends to 3D)

$$\begin{aligned}x(t) &= x_0 + t(x_1 - x_0) \\y(t) &= y_0 + t(y_1 - y_0) \\t &\in [0, 1]\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}P(t) &= P_0 + t(P_1 - P_0), \text{ or} \\P(t) &= (1 - t)P_0 + tP_1\end{aligned}$$

Planes

Plane equations

Implicit $F(x,y,z) = Ax + By + Cz + D = \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{P} + D$
Points on Plane $F(x,y,z) = 0$

Parametric
 $Plane(s,t) = P_0 + s(P_1 - P_0) + t(P_2 - P_0)$
 P_0, P_1, P_2 not colinear
or

$Plane(s,t) = (1-s-t)P_0 + sP_1 + tP_2$
 $Plane(s,t) = P_0 + sV_1 + tV_2$ where V_1, V_2 basis vectors

Explicit

$$z = -(A/C)x - (B/C)y - D/C, \quad C \neq 0$$

