


Lecture 1

Review of Basics: Mathematical Foundations

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Readings:
Appendix 1-4, Foley *et al*
Slide Set 1, VanDam

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Lecture Outline

- **Student Information**
 - Instructional demographics: background, department, academic interests
 - Requests for special topics
- **In-Class Exercise: Turn to A Partner**
 - Applications of CG to human-computer interaction (HCI) problems
 - Common advantages and obstacles
- **Quick Review: Basic Analytic Geometry and Linear Algebra for CG**
 - Vector spaces and affine spaces
 - Subspaces
 - Linear independence
 - Bases and orthonormality
 - Equations for objects in affine spaces
 - Lines
 - Planes
 - Dot products and distance measures (norms, equations)

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Introductions

- **Student Information (Confidential)**
 - Instructional demographics: background, department, academic interests
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 - Lecture
 - Project
- **On Information Form, Please Write**
 - Your name
 - What you wish to learn from this course
 - What experience (if any) you have with
 - Basic computer graphics
 - Linear algebra
 - What experience (if any) you have in using CG (rendering, animation, visualization) packages
 - What programming languages you know *well*
 - Any specific applications or topics you would like to see covered

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In-Class Exercise

- **Turn to A Partner**
 - 2-minute exercise
 - Briefly introduce yourselves (2 minutes)
 - 3-minute discussion
 - 10-minute go-round
 - 3-minute follow-up
- **Questions**
 - 2 applications of CG systems to HCI problem in your area
 - *Common* advantage and obstacle
- **Project LEA/RN™ Exercise, Iowa State [Johnson and Johnson, 1998]**
 - Formulate an answer *individually*
 - Share your answer with your partner
 - Listen carefully to your partner's answer
 - Create a new answer through discussion
 - Account for your discussion by being prepared to be called upon

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Quick Review: Basic Linear Algebra for CG

- Readings: Appendix A.1 – A.4, Foley *et al*
- **A.1 Vector Spaces and Affine Spaces**
 - Equations of lines, planes
 - Vector subspaces and affine subspaces
- **A.2 Standard Constructions in Vector Spaces**
 - Linear independence and spans
 - Coordinate systems and bases
- **A.3 Dot Products and Distances**
 - Dot product in \mathbb{R}^n
 - Norms in \mathbb{R}^n
- **A.4 Matrices**
 - Binary matrix operations: basic arithmetic
 - Unary matrix operations: transpose and inverse
- **Application: Transformations and Change of Coordinate Systems**

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Vector Spaces and Affine Spaces

- **Vector Space: Set of Points Admitting Addition, Multiplication by Constant**
 - Components
 - Set V (of vectors u, v, w): addition, scalar multiplication defined on members
 - Vector addition: $v + w$
 - Scalar multiplication: αv
 - Properties (necessary and sufficient conditions)
 - Addition: associative, commutative, identity (0 vector such that $\forall v. 0 + v = v$), admits inverses ($\forall v. \exists w. v + w = 0$)
 - Scalar multiplication: satisfies $\forall \alpha, \beta, v. (\alpha\beta)v = \alpha(\beta v), \forall v. 1v = v, \forall \alpha, \beta, v. (\alpha + \beta)v = \alpha v + \beta v, \forall \alpha, \beta, v. \alpha(v + w) = \alpha v + \alpha w$
 - **Linear combination:** $\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n$
- **Affine Space: Set of Points Admitting Geometric Operations (No "Origin")**
 - Components
 - Set V (of points P, Q, R) and associated vector space
 - Operators: vector difference, point-vector addition
 - **Affine combination** (of P and Q by $t \in \mathbb{R}$): $P + t(Q - P)$
 - **NB:** any vector space $(V, +, \cdot)$ can be made into affine space (points $(V), V$)

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Linear and Planar Equations in Affine Spaces

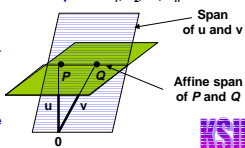
- **Equation of Line in Affine Space**
 - Let P, Q be points in affine space
 - **Parametric form** (real-valued parameter t)
 - Set of points of form $(1 - t)P + tQ$
 - Forms line passing through P and Q
 - Example
 - Cartesian plane of points (x, y) is an affine space
 - Parametric line between (a, b) and (c, d) : $L = \{(1 - t)a + tc, (1 - t)b + td \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- **Equation of Plane in Affine Space**
 - Let P, Q, R be points in affine space
 - **Parametric form** (real-valued parameters s, t)
 - Set of points of form $(1 - s)(1 - t)P + tQ + sR$
 - Forms plane containing P, Q, R




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Vector Space Spans and Affine Spans

- **Vector Space Span**
 - **Definition** – set of all linear combinations of a set of vectors
 - Example: vectors in \mathbb{R}^3
 - Span of single (nonzero) vector v : line through the origin containing v
 - Span of pair of (nonzero, noncollinear) vectors: plane through the origin containing both
 - Span of 3 of vectors in **general position**: all of \mathbb{R}^3
- **Affine Span**
 - **Definition** – set of all affine combinations of a set of points P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n in an affine space
 - Example: vectors, points in \mathbb{R}^3
 - Standard affine plan of points $(x, y, 1)^T$
 - Consider points P, Q
 - Affine span: line containing P, Q
 - Also intersection of span, affine space






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Independence


- **Linear Independence**
 - **Definition:** (linearly) dependent vectors
 - Set of vectors $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ such that one lies in the span of the rest
 - $\exists v_i \in \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \cdot v_i \in \text{Span}(\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} - \{v_i\})$
 - (Linearly) independent: $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ not dependent
- **Affine Independence**
 - **Definition:** (affinely) dependent points
 - Set of points $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ such that one lies in the (affine) span of the rest
 - $\exists P_i \in \{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n\} \cdot P_i \in \text{Span}(\{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n\} - \{P_i\})$
 - (Affinely) independent: $\{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n\}$ not dependent
- **Consequences of Linear Independence**
 - Equivalent condition: $\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n = 0 \Leftrightarrow \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_n = 0$
 - Dimension of span is equal to the number of vectors



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Subspaces


- **Intuitive Idea**
 - \mathbb{R}^n : vector or affine space of "equal or lower dimension"
 - Closed under constructive operator for space
- **Linear Subspace**
 - **Definition**
 - Subset S of vector space $(V, +, \cdot)$
 - Closed under addition $(+)$ and scalar multiplication (\cdot)
 - Examples
 - Subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 : origin $(0, 0, 0)$, line through the origin, plane containing origin, \mathbb{R}^3 itself
 - For vector v , $\{\alpha v \mid \alpha \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is a subspace (why?)
- **Affine Subspace**
 - **Definition**
 - Nonempty subset S of vector space $(V, +, \cdot)$
 - Closure S' of S under point subtraction is a linear subspace of V
 - Important affine subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 (foundation of Chapter 5): $\{(x, y, z, 1)\}$



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Bases


- **Spanning Set (of Set S of Vectors)**
 - **Definition:** set of vectors for which any vector in $\text{Span}(S)$ can be expressed as linear combination of vectors in spanning set
 - Intuitive idea: spanning set "covers" $\text{Span}(S)$
- **Basis (of Set S of Vectors)**
 - **Definition**
 - Minimal spanning set of S
 - Minimal: any smaller set of vectors has smaller span
 - **Alternative definition:** linearly independent spanning set
- **Exercise**
 - **Claim:** basis of subspace of vector space is always linearly independent
 - **Proof:** by contradiction (suppose basis is dependent... not minimal)
- **Standard Basis for \mathbb{R}^3**
 - $E = \{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$, $e_1 = (1, 0, 0)^T$, $e_2 = (0, 1, 0)^T$, $e_3 = (0, 0, 1)^T$
 - How to use this as coordinate system?



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Coordinates and Coordinate Systems


- **Coordinates Using Bases**
 - **Coordinates**
 - Consider basis $B = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ for vector space
 - Any vector v in the vector space can be expressed as linear combination of vectors in B
 - **Definition:** coefficients of linear combination are coordinates
 - Example
 - $E = \{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$, $e_1 = (1, 0, 0)^T$, $e_2 = (0, 1, 0)^T$, $e_3 = (0, 0, 1)^T$
 - Coordinates of (a, b, c) with respect to E : $(a, b, c)^T$
- **Coordinate System**
 - **Definition:** set of independent points in affine space
 - Affine span of coordinate system is entire affine space
- **Exercise**
 - Derive basis for associated vector space of arbitrary coordinate system
 - (Hint: consider definition of affine span...)



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Dot Products and Distances


- **Dot Product in \mathbb{R}^n**
 - Given: vectors $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)^T$, $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)^T$
 - **Definition**
 - Dot product $u \cdot v \equiv u_1v_1 + u_2v_2 + \dots + u_nv_n$
 - Also known as **inner product**
 - In \mathbb{R}^n , called **scalar product**
- **Applications of the Dot Product**
 - Normalization of vectors
 - Distances
 - Generating equations
 - See Appendix A.3, Foley *et al* (FVD)



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Norms and Distance Formulas


- **Length**
 - **Definition**
 - $\|v\| = \sqrt{v \cdot v}$
 - $v \cdot v = \sum_i v_i^2$
 - aka **Euclidean norm**
- **Applications of the Dot Product**
 - Normalization of vectors: division by scalar length $\|v\|$ converts to **unit vector**
 - Distances
 - Between points: $\|Q - P\|$
 - From points to planes
 - Generating equations (e.g., **point loci**): circles, hollow cylinders, etc.
 - Ray / object intersection equations
 - See A.3.5, FVD



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Intersection Formulas


- **Intersection Equations: Rays and Objects**
 - Application
 - Simple **ray tracing** (aka **ray casting**)
 - Chapters 15-16, FVD
 - General case: substitute point $P + tv$ to derive **parametric form** from **implicit equation** of object $F(x, y, z, 1) = 0$
- **Example**
 - Circle
 - Implicit equation of circle: $(X - P) \cdot (X - P) = r^2$
 - Parametric equation of line: $S(t) = Q + tv$
 - Plug line LHS into circle equation: $(S(t) - P) \cdot (S(t) - P) = r^2$
 - Solve for t using quadratic formula
 - Sphere, polygon: 15.10.1 FVD



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Orthonormal Bases


- **Orthogonality**
 - Given: vectors $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)^T$, $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)^T$
 - **Definition**
 - u, v are **orthogonal** if $u \cdot v = 0$
 - In \mathbb{R}^2 , angle between orthogonal vectors is 90°
- **Orthonormal Bases**
 - Necessary and sufficient conditions
 - $B = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ is basis for given vector space
 - Every pair (b_i, b_j) is orthogonal
 - Every vector b_i is of unit magnitude ($\|v_i\| = 1$)
 - Convenient property: can just take dot product $v \cdot b_i$ to find coefficients in linear combination (coordinates **w/ respect to B**) for vector v



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Terminology


- **Human Computer [Intelligent] Interaction (HCI, HCII)**
- **Some Basic Analytic Geometry and Linear Algebra for CG**
 - **Vector space (VS)** – collection of vectors admitting addition, scalar multiplication and observing VS axioms
 - **Affine space (AS)** – collection of points with associated vector space admitting vector difference, point-vector addition and observing AS axioms
 - **Linear subspace** – nonempty subset S of $VS(V, +, \cdot)$ **closed** under $+$ and \cdot
 - **Affine subspace** – nonempty subset S of $VS(V, +, \cdot)$ such that **closure** S of S under point subtraction is a linear subspace of V
 - **Span** – set of all **linear combinations** of set of vectors
 - **Linear independence** – property of set of vectors that none lies in span of others
 - **Basis** – minimal spanning set of set of vectors
 - **Dot product** – scalar-valued **inner product** $\langle u, v \rangle \equiv u \cdot v \equiv u_1v_1 + u_2v_2 + \dots + u_nv_n$
 - **Orthogonality** – property of vectors u, v that $u \cdot v = 0$
 - **Orthonormality** – basis containing **pairwise-orthogonal** unit vectors
 - **Length (Euclidean norm)** – $\|v\| = \sqrt{v \cdot v}$



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Summary Points

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- **Next Lecture: Geometry, Scan Conversion (Lines, Polygons)**



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