

Geometric Spaces and Operations

Mathematical underpinnings of computer graphics

- Hierarchy of geometric spaces
 - Vector spaces
 - Affine spaces
 - Euclidean spaces
 - Cartesian spaces
 - Projective spaces
- Affine geometry and transformations
- Projective transformations and perspective
- Matrix formulations of transformations
- Viewing transformations
- Quaternions and surface orientation

Formally, a space is defined by

- A set of objects
- Operations on the objects
- Axioms defining invariant properties

Vector Spaces

Definition:

- Set of vectors \mathcal{V}
- Operations on $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathcal{V}$:
 - Addition: $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in \mathcal{V}$
 - Scalar Multiplication: $\alpha\vec{u} \in \mathcal{V}$ where $\alpha \in$ some field \mathcal{F}
- Axioms
 - Unique zero element: $0 + \vec{u} = \vec{u}$
 - Field unit element: $1\vec{u} = \vec{u}$
 - Addition commutative: $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$
 - Addition associative: $(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w} = \vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w})$
 - Distributive scalar multiplication: $\alpha(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = \alpha\vec{u} + \alpha\vec{v}$
- Additional definitions
 - Let $\mathcal{B} = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$.
 - Then \mathcal{B} spans \mathcal{V} iff any $\vec{v} \in \mathcal{V}$ can be written as $\vec{v} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \vec{v}_i$.
 - $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \vec{v}_i$ is called a *linear combination* of the vectors in \mathcal{B} .
 - \mathcal{B} is called a *basis* of \mathcal{V} if it is a minimal spanning set.
 - All bases of \mathcal{V} contain the same number of vectors.

- The number of vectors in any basis of \mathcal{V} is called the *dimension* of \mathcal{V} .
- Comments:
 - We are interested in 2 and 3 dimensional spaces.
 - No definition of distance (size) exists yet.
 - Angles and points have not been defined.

Affine Spaces

Definition:

- A set of vectors \mathcal{V} and a set of *points* \mathcal{P}
- \mathcal{V} is a vector space.
- Point-vector sum: $P + \vec{v} = Q$ with $P, Q \in \mathcal{P}$ and $\vec{v} \in \mathcal{V}$
- Point subtraction: For $P, Q \in \mathcal{P}$ and $\vec{v} \in \mathcal{V}$, if $P + \vec{v} = Q$, then $Q - P \equiv \vec{v}$
- Additional definitions:
 - A *frame* $F = (\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{O})$ where $\mathcal{B} = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ is a basis of \mathcal{V} and the point \mathcal{O} is called the *origin* of the frame.
 - The dimension of F is the same as the dimension of \mathcal{V} .
- Comments:
 - Still no distances or angles
 - Closer to what we want for graphics
 - The space has no distinguished origin

Euclidean Spaces

Definition:

- A *metric space* is any space with a *distance metric* $d(P, Q)$ defined on its elements.
- Distance metric axioms:
 - $d(P, Q) \geq 0$
 - $d(P, Q) = 0$ iff $P = Q$
 - $d(P, Q) = d(Q, P)$
 - $d(P, Q) \leq d(P, R) + d(R, Q)$ (triangle inequality)
- *Euclidean distance metric:*

$$d^2(P, Q) = (P - Q) \cdot (P - Q)$$

- Comments:
 - Euclidean metric based on dot product
 - Dot product defined on vectors
 - Distance metric defined on points
 - Distance is a property of the space, not a frame
- Dot product axioms:

- $(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{w} = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}$
- $\alpha(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}) = (\alpha\vec{u}) \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{u} \cdot (\alpha\vec{v})$
- $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}$
- Additional definitions:
 - The *norm* of a vector \vec{u} is given by $|\vec{u}| = \sqrt{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}}$.
 - Angles are defined by their cosines: $\cos(\angle \vec{u}\vec{v}) = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{|\vec{u}||\vec{v}|}$
 - Orthogonal vectors: $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \rightarrow \vec{u} \perp \vec{v}$

Definition:

Cartesian Spaces

- A frame $(\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k}, \mathcal{O})$ is *orthonormal* iff
 - \vec{i}, \vec{j} , and \vec{k} are *orthogonal*, i.e. $\vec{i} \cdot \vec{j} = \vec{j} \cdot \vec{k} = \vec{k} \cdot \vec{i} = 0$ and
 - \vec{i}, \vec{j} , and \vec{k} are *normal*, i.e. $|\vec{i}| = |\vec{j}| = |\vec{k}| = 1$
- Additional definitions:
 - The *standard frame* $F_s = (\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k}, \mathcal{O})$
 - Points can be distinguished from vectors using an extra coordinate
 - * 0 for vectors: $\vec{v} = (v_x, v_y, v_z, 0)$ means $\vec{v} = v_x \vec{i} + v_y \vec{j} + v_z \vec{k}$
 - * 1 for points: $P = (p_x, p_y, p_z, 1)$ means $P = p_x \vec{i} + p_y \vec{j} + p_z \vec{k} + \mathcal{O}$
 - * This is known as a *homogeneous* representation
- Comments
 - Coordinates have no meaning without an associated frame
 - There will be other ways to look at the extra coordinate
 - Sometimes we are sloppy and omit the extra coordinate
 - Assume standard frame unless specified otherwise
 - Points and vectors are different
 - Points and vectors have different operations
 - Points and vectors transform differently

Vector space \mathcal{V}

Linear Transformations

- Linear combinations of vectors in \mathcal{V} are in \mathcal{V}
- For $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathcal{V}$
 - $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in \mathcal{V}$
 - $\alpha\vec{u} \in \mathcal{V}$ for any scalar α
 - In general, $\sum_i \alpha_i \vec{u}_i \in \mathcal{V}$ for any scalars α_i
- Linear transformations
 - Let $\mathbf{T} : \mathcal{V}_0 \mapsto \mathcal{V}_1$, where \mathcal{V}_0 and \mathcal{V}_1 are vector spaces
 - Then \mathbf{T} is *linear* iff
 - * $\mathbf{T}(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = \mathbf{T}(\vec{u}) + \mathbf{T}(\vec{v})$
 - * $\mathbf{T}(\alpha\vec{u}) = \alpha\mathbf{T}(\vec{u})$
 - * In general, $\mathbf{T}(\sum_i \alpha_i \vec{u}_i) = \sum_i \alpha_i \mathbf{T}(\vec{u}_i)$

Affine Transformations

Affine space $\mathcal{A} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{P})$

- Recall that for $\vec{u} \in \mathcal{V}$ and $P \in \mathcal{P}$, $P + \vec{u} \in \mathcal{P}$
- Define *point blending*:
 - For $P, P_1, P_2 \in \mathcal{P}$ and scalar α , if $P = P_1 + \alpha (P_2 - P_1)$ then $P \equiv (1 - \alpha) P_1 + \alpha P_2$
 - This can also be written $P \equiv \alpha_1 P_1 + \frac{\alpha_2 P_2}{d_1 P_1 + d_2 P_2}$ where $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1$
 - Geometrically, $\frac{|P-P_0|}{|P-P_1|} = \frac{d_1}{d_2}$ or $P = \frac{d_1 P_1 + d_2 P_2}{d_1 + d_2}$
 - In general, $\sum_i \alpha_i P_i$ is a *point* iff $\sum_i \alpha_i = 1$
- Vectors can always be combined linearly $\sum_i \alpha_i \vec{u}_i$
- Given point subtraction, $\sum_i \alpha_i P_i$ is a *vector* iff $\sum_i \alpha_i = 0$
- Points can be combined linearly $\sum_i \alpha_i P_i$ iff
 - The coefficients sum to 1, giving a point (“affine combination”)
 - The coefficients sum to 0, giving a vector (“vector combination”)
 - Example affine combination:

$$P(t) = P_0 + t(P_1 - P_0) = (1 - t)P_0 + tP_1$$

- This says any point on the line is an affine combination of the line segment's endpoints.
- Affine transformations
 - Let $\mathbf{T} : \mathcal{A}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_1$ where \mathcal{A}_0 and \mathcal{A}_1 are affine spaces
 - \mathbf{T} is said to be an *affine transformation* iff
 - * \mathbf{T} maps vectors to vectors and points to points
 - * \mathbf{T} is a linear transformation on the vectors
 - * $\mathbf{T}(P + \vec{u}) = \mathbf{T}(P) + \mathbf{T}(\vec{u})$
 - Properties of affine transformations
 - * \mathbf{T} preserves affine combinations:

$$\mathbf{T}(\alpha_0 P_0 + \cdots + \alpha_n P_n) = \alpha_0 \mathbf{T}(P_0) + \cdots + \alpha_n \mathbf{T}(P_n)$$

where $\sum_i \alpha_i = 0$ or $\sum_i \alpha_i = 1$

- * \mathbf{T} maps lines to lines:

$$\mathbf{T}((1 - t)P_0 + tP_1) = (1 - t)\mathbf{T}(P_0) + t\mathbf{T}(P_1)$$

- * \mathbf{T} is affine iff it preserves ratios of distance along a line:

$$P = \frac{d_0 P_0 + d_1 P_1}{d_0 + d_1} \Rightarrow \mathbf{T}(P) = \frac{d_0 \mathbf{T}(P_0) + d_1 \mathbf{T}(P_1)}{d_0 + d_1}$$

- * T maps parallel lines to parallel lines (can you prove this?)
 - Example affine transformations
 - * Rigid body motions (translations, rotations)
 - * Scales, reflections
 - * Shears

Matrix Representation of Transformations

- Let \mathcal{A}_0 and \mathcal{A}_1 be affine spaces.
Let $T : \mathcal{A}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_1$ be an affine transformation.
Let $F_0 = (\vec{i}_0, \vec{j}_0, \mathcal{O}_0)$ be a frame for \mathcal{A}_0 .
Let $F_1 = (\vec{i}_1, \vec{j}_1, \mathcal{O}_1)$ be a frame for \mathcal{A}_1 .
- Let $P = x\vec{i}_0 + y\vec{j}_0 + \mathcal{O}_0$ be a point in \mathcal{A}_0 .
The coordinates of P relative to \mathcal{A}_0 are $(x, y, 1)$.

$$\text{This can also be represented in vector form as } P = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{i}_0 & \vec{j}_0 & \mathcal{O}_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- What are the coordinates $(x', y', 1)$ of $\mathbf{T}(P)$ relative to F_1 ?
 - An affine transformation is characterized by the image of a frame in the domain.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{T}(P) &= \mathbf{T}(x\vec{i}_0 + y\vec{j}_0 + \mathcal{O}_0) \\ &= x\mathbf{T}(\vec{i}_0) + y\mathbf{T}(\vec{j}_0) + \mathbf{T}(\mathcal{O}_0)\end{aligned}$$

- $\mathbf{T}(\vec{i}_0)$ must be a linear combination of \vec{i}_1 and \vec{j}_1 ,
say $\mathbf{T}(\vec{i}_0) = t_{1,1}\vec{i}_1 + t_{2,1}\vec{j}_1$.
- Likewise $\mathbf{T}(\vec{j}_0)$ must be a linear combination of \vec{i}_1 and \vec{j}_1 ,
say $\mathbf{T}(\vec{j}_0) = t_{1,2}\vec{i}_1 + t_{2,2}\vec{j}_1$.
- Finally $\mathbf{T}(\mathcal{O}_0)$ must be an affine combination of \vec{i}_1 ,
 \vec{j}_1 , and \mathcal{O}_1 , say $\mathbf{T}(\mathcal{O}_0) = t_{1,3}\vec{i}_1 + t_{2,3}\vec{j}_1 + \mathcal{O}_1$.

- Then by substitution we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{T}(P) &= x(t_{1,1}\vec{i}_1 + t_{2,1}\vec{j}_1) + y(t_{1,2}\vec{i}_1 + t_{2,2}\vec{j}_1) + t_{1,3}\vec{i}_1 + t_{2,3}\vec{j}_1 + \mathcal{O}_1 \\
 &= [t_{1,1}\vec{i}_1 + t_{2,1}\vec{j}_1 \quad t_{1,2}\vec{i}_1 + t_{2,2}\vec{j}_1 \quad t_{1,3}\vec{i}_1 + t_{2,3}\vec{j}_1 + \mathcal{O}_1] \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= [\vec{i}_1 \quad \vec{j}_1 \quad \mathcal{O}_1] \begin{bmatrix} t_{1,1} & t_{1,2} & t_{1,3} \\ t_{2,1} & t_{2,2} & t_{2,3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Using \mathbf{M}_T to denote the matrix, we see that $F_0 = F_1\mathbf{M}_T$

- Let $\mathbf{T}(P) = P' = x'\vec{i}_1 + y'\vec{j}_1 + \mathcal{O}_1$
In vector form this is

$$P' = [\vec{i}_1 \quad \vec{j}_1 \quad \mathcal{O}_1] \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \vec{i}_1 & \vec{j}_1 & \mathcal{O}_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t_{1,1} & t_{1,2} & t_{1,3} \\ t_{2,1} & t_{2,2} & t_{2,3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So we see that

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t_{1,1} & t_{1,2} & t_{1,3} \\ t_{2,1} & t_{2,2} & t_{2,3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can write this in shorthand – $\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{M}_T \mathbf{p}$

- \mathbf{M}_T is the *matrix representation* of \mathbf{T}
 - The first column of \mathbf{M}_T represents $\mathbf{T}(\vec{i}_0)$
 - The second column of \mathbf{M}_T represents $\mathbf{T}(\vec{j}_0)$
 - The third column of \mathbf{M}_T represents $\mathbf{T}(\mathcal{O}_0)$

- *Translation*

- Points are transformed as $[x' \ y' \ 1]^T = [x \ y \ 1]^T + [\Delta x \ \Delta y \ 0]^T$.
- Vectors don't change.
- Thus translation is affine but not linear.
If it were linear, we would have $\mathbf{T}(P + Q) = \mathbf{T}(P) + \mathbf{T}(Q)$, but point addition is undefined.
- Translation can be applied to sums of vectors and vector-point sums.
- Matrix formulation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \Delta x \\ 0 & 1 & \Delta y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x + \Delta x \\ y + \Delta y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

- Shorthand for the above matrix: $T(\Delta x, \Delta y)$

- *Scale*
 - Linear transform — applies equally to points and vectors
 - Points transform as $[x' \ y' \ 1]^T = [xS_x \ yS_y \ 1]^T$.
 - Vectors transform as $[x' \ y' \ 0]^T = [xS_x \ yS_y \ 0]^T$.
 - Matrix formulation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} xS_x \\ yS_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} xS_x \\ yS_y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Shorthand for the above matrix: $S(S_x, S_y)$
- Note that this is *origin sensitive*.
- How do you do reflections?

- *Rotate*
 - Linear transform — applies equally to points and vectors
 - Points transform as
 $[x' \ y' \ 1]^T = [x \cos(\theta) - y \sin(\theta) \ x \sin(\theta) + y \cos(\theta) \ 1]^T.$
 - Vectors transform as
 $[x' \ y' \ 0]^T = [x \cos(\theta) - y \sin(\theta) \ x \sin(\theta) + y \cos(\theta) \ 0]^T.$
 - Matrix formulation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \cos(\theta) - y \sin(\theta) \\ x \sin(\theta) + y \cos(\theta) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \cos(\theta) - y \sin(\theta) \\ x \sin(\theta) + y \cos(\theta) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Shorthand for the above matrix: $R(\theta)$
- Note that this is *origin sensitive*.

- *Shear*
 - Linear transform — applies equally to points and vectors
 - Points transform as $[x' \ y' \ 1]^T = [x + \alpha y \ y + \beta x \ 1]^T$.
 - Vectors transform as $[x' \ y' \ 0]^T = [x + \alpha y \ y + \beta x \ 0]^T$.
 - Matrix formulation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha & 0 \\ \beta & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x + \alpha y \\ y + \beta x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha & 0 \\ \beta & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x + \alpha y \\ y + \beta x \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Shorthand for the above matrix: $Sh(\alpha, \beta)$

- Composition of Transformations
 - Now we have some basic transformations, how do we create and represent arbitrary affine transformations?
 - We can derive an arbitrary affine transform as a sequence of basic transformations, then compose the transformations
 - Example — scaling about an arbitrary point $[x_c \ y_c \ 1]^T$
 1. Translate $[x_c \ y_c \ 1]^T$ to $[0 \ 0 \ 1]^T (T(-x_c, -y_c))$
 2. Scale $[x' \ y' \ 1]^T = S(S_x, S_y) [x \ y \ 1]^T$
 3. Translate $[0 \ 0 \ 1]^T$ back to $[x_c \ y_c \ 1]^T (T(x_c, y_c))$
 - The sequence of transformation steps is
 $T(-x_c, -y_c) \circ S(S_x, S_y) \circ T(x_c, y_c)$

- In matrix form this is

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & x_c \\ 0 & 1 & y_c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -x_c \\ 0 & 1 & -y_c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} S_x & 0 & x_c(1 - S_x) \\ 0 & S_y & y_c(1 - S_y) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Note that the matrices are arranged from *right to left* in the order of the steps.
- The order is important (why)?

- Three Dimensional Transformations

- A point is $\mathbf{p} = [x \ y \ z]$, a vector $\vec{v} = [x \ y \ z]$

- Translation:

$$T(\Delta x, \Delta y, \Delta z) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \Delta x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \Delta y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \Delta z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Scale:

$$S(S_x, S_y, S_z) = \begin{bmatrix} S_x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S_y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & S_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Rotation - clockwise wrt observer on positive axis looking at origin:

* Right handed

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

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

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

* Left handed

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

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

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

- Rotation about an arbitrary axis

- Another way to look at this is to treat a point \mathbf{p} as a vector $\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{O}$, and break \mathbf{p} into components along the axis of rotation and orthogonal to it, call these \vec{p}_a and \vec{p}_o respectively.
- Assume that \vec{a} is a unit vector along the axis of rotation. Define a third vector \vec{p}_1 orthogonal to both \vec{p}_a and \vec{p}_o and the same length as \vec{p}_o by $\vec{p}_1 = \vec{p}_o \times \vec{a}$.
- Now we can write the rotation of \vec{p} by θ about \vec{a} as transformation $\vec{p}' = \vec{p}_a + \vec{p}_o \cos \theta + \vec{p}_1 \sin \theta$

- This form applies to any axis of rotation, not just the principal coordinate axes.
- Since transforming a point and transforming a basis are equivalent, we can just rotate the basis vectors of our frame using this formula to get a matrix for rotation about an arbitrary axis.

$$Ra(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} a_x^2 + (1 - a_x^2) \cos(\theta) & axay(1 - \cos(\theta)) - az\sin(\theta) & axaz(1 - \cos(\theta)) - ay\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ axay(1 - \cos(\theta)) + az\sin(\theta) & a_y^2 + (1 - a_y^2) \cos(\theta) & a_yaz(1 - \cos(\theta)) - ax\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ axaz(1 - \cos(\theta)) - ay\sin(\theta) & a_yaz(1 - \cos(\theta)) + ax\sin(\theta) & a_z^2 + (1 - a_z^2) \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Normal Vectors

- Normal vectors are used to indicate surface orientation
- The normal at a point is often computed as a cross product of two vectors tangent to the surface at that point
- For parametric surfaces, $F(u, v) = (x, y, z)$, a natural way to obtain the tangent vectors is to compute $\frac{\partial F}{\partial u}$ and $\frac{\partial F}{\partial v}$, so the normal \vec{N} is $\vec{N} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial F}{\partial v}$
- For polygons, the two tangents can be obtained by vectors between vertices of the polygon.
- Normal vectors do not transform the same way as ordinary vectors (such as tangent vectors).
 - By definition, for tangent vector \vec{t} and normal vector \vec{n} , $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{t} = \vec{n}^T \vec{t} = 0$
 - Let \mathbf{M} be a transformation matrix, so that $\vec{t}' = \mathbf{M}\vec{t}$
 - There must be a transformation matrix \mathbf{S} such that $\vec{n}' = \mathbf{S}\vec{n}$ and $\vec{n}' \cdot \vec{t}' = \vec{n}'^T \vec{t}' = 0$
 - So

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{S}\vec{n})^T \mathbf{M}\vec{t}' &= 0 \\ \vec{n}^T \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{M}\vec{t}' &= 0 \\ \vec{n}^T \mathbf{M}\vec{t}' &= 0 \\ \vec{n}^T \vec{t}' &= 0\end{aligned}$$

– Therefore

$$\mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{S}^T = \mathbf{M}^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{M}^{-1T}$$

- Thus, given a transform applied to vectors, its inverse transpose must be applied to their tangents to preserve orthogonality