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Affine Transformations and Transformation Hierarchies in OpenGL

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Course News

Assignment 1
• Due January 31

Homework 1
• Exercise problems for transformations
• Discussed in labs next week

Reading
• Chapter 5

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Recap: Properties of Affine Transformations

Theorem:

- The following statements are synonymous
 - A transformation $T(x)$ is affine, i.e.:

$$\mathbf{x}' = T(\mathbf{x}) := \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t},$$
 for some matrix \mathbf{M} and vector \mathbf{t}
 - $T(x)$ preserves affine combinations, i.e.

$$T\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \cdot \mathbf{x}_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \cdot T(\mathbf{x}_i), \text{ for } \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = 1$$
 - $T(x)$ maps parallel lines to parallel lines

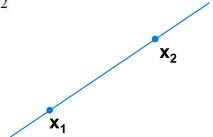
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Recap: Properties of Affine Transformations

Example:

- Affine combination of 2 points

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x} &= a_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_1 + a_2 \cdot \mathbf{x}_2, \text{ with } a_1 + a_2 = 1 \\ &= (1 - a_2) \cdot \mathbf{x}_1 + a_2 \cdot \mathbf{x}_2 \\ &= \mathbf{x}_1 + a_2 \cdot (\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1) \end{aligned}$$


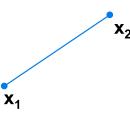
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Definition:

- A convex combination is an affine combination where all the weights a_i are positive
- Note: this implies $0 \leq a_i \leq 1, i=1\dots n$



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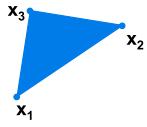
Example:

- Convex combination of 3 points

$$\mathbf{x} = \alpha \cdot \mathbf{x}_1 + \beta \cdot \mathbf{x}_2 + \gamma \cdot \mathbf{x}_3$$

with $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1, 0 \leq \alpha, \beta, \gamma \leq 1$

- α, β , and γ are called *Barycentric coordinates*



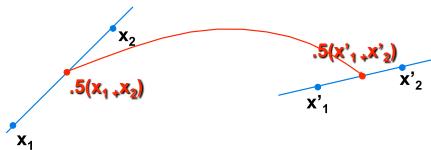
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Recap: Properties of Affine Transformations



Preservation of affine combinations:

- Can compute transformation of every point on line or triangle by simply transforming the control points



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Recap: Homogeneous Coordinates



Homogeneous representation of points:

- Add an additional component $w=1$ to all points
- All multiples of this vector are considered to represent the same 3D point
- Use square brackets (rather than round ones) to denote homogeneous coordinates (different from text book!)**

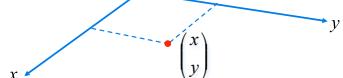
$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \cdot w \\ y \cdot w \\ z \cdot w \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ w \end{bmatrix}, \forall w \neq 0$$

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Recap: Geometrically In 2D



Cartesian Coordinates:

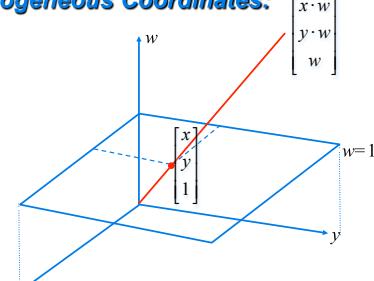


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Homogeneous Coordinates:



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Recap: Homogeneous Matrices



Affine Transformations

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{1,1} & m_{1,2} & m_{1,3} & 0 \\ m_{2,1} & m_{2,2} & m_{2,3} & 0 \\ m_{3,1} & m_{3,2} & m_{3,3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \\ t_z \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} m_{1,1} & m_{1,2} & m_{1,3} & 0 \\ m_{2,1} & m_{2,2} & m_{2,3} & 0 \\ m_{3,1} & m_{3,2} & m_{3,3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Recap: Homogeneous Matrices



Combining the two matrices into one:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{1,1} & m_{1,2} & m_{1,3} & 0 \\ m_{2,1} & m_{2,2} & m_{2,3} & 0 \\ m_{3,1} & m_{3,2} & m_{3,3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} m_{1,1} & m_{1,2} & m_{1,3} & t_x \\ m_{2,1} & m_{2,2} & m_{2,3} & t_y \\ m_{3,1} & m_{3,2} & m_{3,3} & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Recap: Homogeneous Transformations



Notes:

- A composite transformation is now just the product of a few matrixes
- Rather than multiply each point sequentially with 3 matrixes, first multiply the matrixes, then multiply each point with only one (composite) matrix
 - Much faster for large # of points!
- The composite matrix describing the affine transformation always has the bottom row 0,0,1 (2D), or 0,0,0,1 (3D)

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Recap: Homogeneous Matrices



Note:

- Multiplication of the matrix with a constant does not change the transformation!

$$\tilde{T} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{1,1} \cdot k & m_{1,2} \cdot k & m_{1,3} \cdot k & t_x \cdot k \\ m_{2,1} \cdot k & m_{2,2} \cdot k & m_{2,3} \cdot k & t_y \cdot k \\ m_{3,1} \cdot k & m_{3,2} \cdot k & m_{3,3} \cdot k & t_z \cdot k \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & k \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x' \cdot k \\ y' \cdot k \\ z' \cdot k \\ k \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Recap: Homogeneous Vectors



Representing vectors in homogeneous coordinates

- Need representation that is only affected by linear transformations, but not by translations
- This is achieved by setting $w=0$

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{1,1} & m_{1,2} & m_{1,3} & t_x \\ m_{2,1} & m_{2,2} & m_{2,3} & t_y \\ m_{3,1} & m_{3,2} & m_{3,3} & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Recap: Homogeneous Coordinates

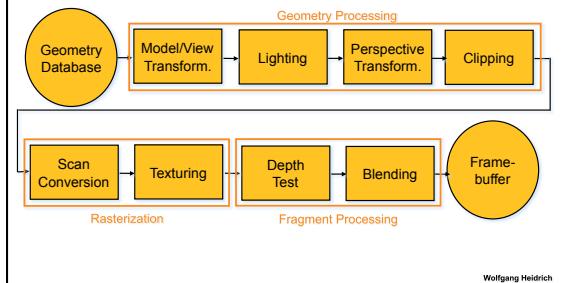


Properties

- Unified representation as 4-vector (in 3D) for
 - Points
 - Vectors / directions
- Affine transformations become 4x4 matrices
 - Composing multiple affine transformations involves simply multiplying the matrices
 - 3D affine transformations have 12 degrees of freedom
 - Need mapping of 4 points to uniquely define transformation

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The Rendering Pipeline



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Modeling Transformation



Purpose:

- Map geometry from local object coordinate system into a global world coordinate system
- Same as placing objects

Transformations:

- Arbitrary affine transformations are possible
 - Even more complex transformations may be desirable, but are not available in hardware
 - Freeform deformations

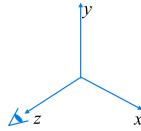
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Viewing Transformation



Purpose:

- Map geometry from *world coordinate system* into *camera coordinate system*
 - Camera coordinate system is *right-handed*, viewing direction is *negative z-axis*
 - Same as placing camera
- Transformations:**
- Usually only *rigid body transformations*
 - Rotations and translations*
 - Objects have same size and shape in camera and world coordinates



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Model/View Transformation



Combine modeling and viewing transform.

- Combine both into a single matrix
- Saves computation time if many points are to be transformed
- Possible because the viewing transformation directly follows the modeling transformation without intermediate operations

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Rendering Geometry in OpenGL



```
glBegin( GL_TRIANGLES );
    glVertex3f( x1, y1, z1 ); // vertex 1 of triangle 1
    glVertex3f( x2, y2, z2 ); // vertex 2 of triangle 1
    glVertex3f( x3, y3, z3 ); // vertex 3 of triangle 1
    glVertex3f( x4, y4, z4 ); // vertex 1 of triangle 2
    glVertex3f( x5, y5, z5 ); // vertex 2 of triangle 2
    glVertex3f( x6, y6, z6 ); // vertex 3 of triangle 2
    ...
glEnd();
```

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Rendering Geometry in OpenGL



Additional attributes

- glColor3f: RGB color value (0...1 per component)
- glNormal3f: normal vector
- glTexCoord2f: texture coordinate (explained later)

OpenGL is state machine:

- Every vertex gets color, normal etc. that corresponds to last specified value

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Rendering Geometry in OpenGL



Example:

```
glBegin( GL_TRIANGLES );
    glColor3f( 1.0, 0.0, 0.0 );
    glVertex3f( 1.0, 0.0, 0.0 );
    glColor3f( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0 );
    glVertex3f( 0.0, 1.0, 0.0 );
    glVertex3f( 0.0, 0.0, 0.0 );
glEnd();
```

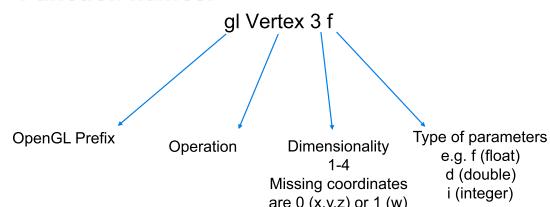


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OpenGL Naming Scheme



Function names:



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Matrix Operations in OpenGL



2 Matrices:

- Model/view matrix M
- Projective matrix P

Example:

```
glMatrixMode( GL_MODELVIEW );
glLoadIdentity(); // M=Id
glRotatef( angle, x, y, z ); // M=Id*R(α)
glTranslatef( x, y, z ); // M= Id*R( α)*T(x,y,z)
glMatrixMode( GL_PROJECTION );
glRotatef( ... ); // P= ...
```

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Matrix Operations in OpenGL



Semantics:

- glMatrixMode sets the matrix that is to be affected by all following transformations (multiplication from the right)
- Transformations that affect a vertex *first* have to be specified *last*
- Whenever primitives are rendered with glBegin(), the vertices are transformed with whatever the current model/view and perspective matrix is
 - Normals are transformed with the inverse transpose

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Matrix Operations in OpenGL



Specifying matrices (replacement)

- glLoadIdentity()
- glLoadMatrixf(GLfloat *m) // 16 floats

Specifying matrices (multiplication)

- glMultMatrixf(GLfloat *m) // 16 floats
- glRotatef(GLfloat angle, GLfloat x, GLfloat y, GLfloat z) // angle and axis
- glScalef(GLfloat x, GLfloat y, GLfloat z)
- glTranslatef(GLfloat x, GLfloat y, GLfloat z)

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Matrix Operations in OpenGL



Perspective Matrices (details next lecture):

- glFrustum(left, right, bottom, top, near, far)
 - Specifies perspective xform (near, far are always positive)
- glOrtho(left, right, bottom, top, near, far)

Convenience Functions:

- gluPerspective(fovy, aspect, near, far)
 - Another way to do perspective
- gluLookAt(eyeX, eyeY, eyeZ,

centerX, centerY, centerZ,

upX, upY, upZ)
 - Useful for viewing transform

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Interpreting Composite OpenGL Transformations



Example for earlier lectures:

- Rotation around arbitrary center
- In OpenGL:

```
// initialization of matrix
glMatrixMode( GL_MODELVIEW );
glLoadIdentity();

glTranslatef( 4, 3 );
glRotatef( 30, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0 );
glTranslatef( -4, -3 );

glBegin( GL_TRIANGLES );
// specify object geometry...
```

Top-to-bottom:
transf. of
coordinate frame

Bottom-to-top:
transf. of
object

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Transformation Hierarchies

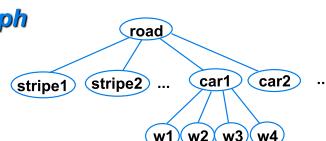


Scene may have a hierarchy of coordinate systems

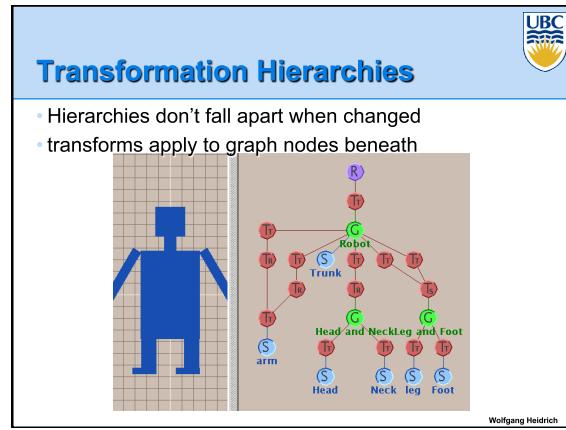
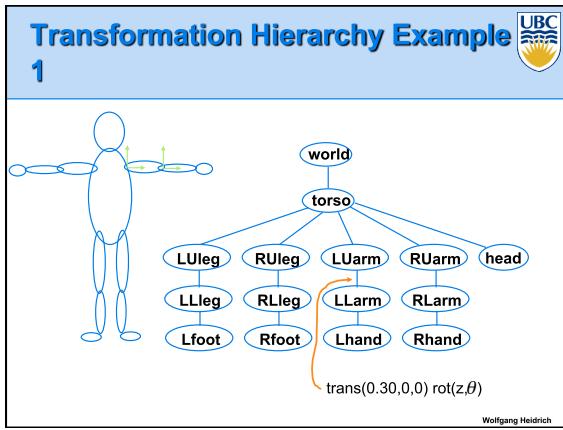
- Stores matrix at each level with incremental transform from parent's coordinate system



Scene graph



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Brown Applets

<http://www.cs.brown.edu/exploratories/freeSoftware/catalogs/scenegraphs.html>

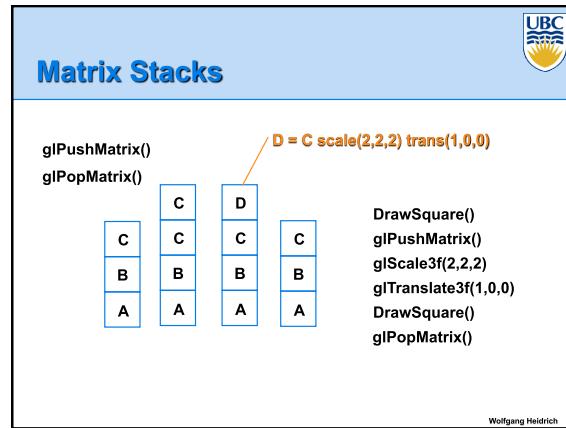
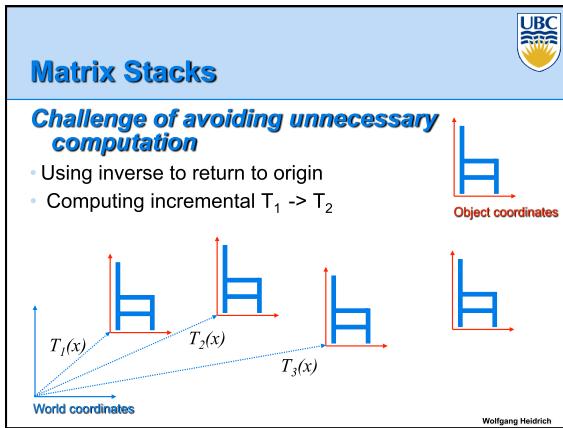
Have a look later

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Transformation Hierarchy Example 2

- Draw same 3D data with different transformations: instancing

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Modularization

Drawing a scaled square

- Push/pop ensures no coord system change

```
void drawBlock(float k) {
    glPushMatrix();

    glScalef(k,k,k);
    glBegin(GL_LINE_LOOP);
    glVertex3f(0,0,0);
    glVertex3f(1,0,0);
    glVertex3f(1,1,0);
    glVertex3f(0,1,0);
    glEnd();

    glPopMatrix();
}
```

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Matrix Stacks

Advantages

- No need to compute inverse matrices all the time
- Modularize changes to pipeline state
- Avoids incremental changes to coordinate systems
 - Accumulation of numerical errors*

Practical issues

- In graphics hardware, depth of matrix stacks is limited
 - (typically 16 for model/view and about 4 for projective matrix)

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Transformation Hierarchy Example 3

```
glLoadIdentity();
glTranslatef(4,1,0);
glPushMatrix();
glRotatef(45,0,0,1);
glTranslate(0,2,0);
glScalef(2,1,1);
glTranslate(1,0,0);
glPopMatrix();
```

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Transformation Hierarchy Example 4

```
glTranslate3f(x,y,0);
glRotatef(theta_1,0,0,1);
DrawBody();
glPushMatrix();
glTranslate3f(0,7,0);
DrawHead();
glPopMatrix();
glPushMatrix();
glTranslate(2.5,5.5,0);
glRotatef(theta_2,0,0,1);
DrawUArm();
glTranslate(0,-3.5,0);
glRotatef(theta_3,0,0,1);
DrawLArm();
glPopMatrix();
... (draw other arm)
```

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Hierarchical Modeling

Advantages

- Define object once, instantiate multiple copies
- Transformation parameters often good control knobs
- Maintain structural constraints if well-designed

Limitations

- Expressivity: not always the best controls
- Can't do closed kinematic chains
 - Keep hand on hip*

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Single Parameter: simple

Parameters as functions of other params

- Clock: control all hands with seconds s

- $m = s/60$, $h=m/60$,
- $\theta_{\text{theta_s}} = (2 \pi s) / 60$,
- $\theta_{\text{theta_m}} = (2 \pi m) / 60$,
- $\theta_{\text{theta_h}} = (2 \pi h) / 60$

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Single Parameter: complex

Mechanisms not easily expressible with affine transforms



<http://www.flying-pig.co.uk>

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Coming Up:

Next Week:

- Perspective projection
- Lighting/shading

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