

L7. Affine Spaces

Note Title

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How to represent a point?

If we know one point "origin" $\tilde{0}$
Every other point is a "displacement vector" \vec{v}
Already know how to represent vectors in a basis.



Want to unify points and vectors in a single homogeneous system.

Extend the '+' operator. Allow:

$$\begin{array}{l} \tilde{0} + \vec{v} = \tilde{p} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{p} - \tilde{0} = \vec{v} \\ \text{But not } \tilde{0} = \tilde{0} \\ \tilde{p} + \tilde{q} \quad \text{or} \quad 5\tilde{p} \end{array}$$

§ A "basis" for this space

$$\tilde{p} = \tilde{b}_0 + \vec{v}$$

$$= 1\tilde{b}_0 + \sum_i v_i \vec{b}_i$$

$$= \left(\vec{b}_1 \quad \vec{b}_2 \quad \vec{b}_3 \quad \tilde{b}_0 \right) \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

In our matrix notation

$$\vec{p} = \vec{b} \vec{v}$$

★ Note: in book

$$\vec{b}^T$$

Affine frame

Homogeneous coordinates in this frame

4x1 column matrix

Homogeneous coordinates of a point in a frame

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Homogeneous coords. of a vector?

$$\begin{pmatrix} * \\ * \\ * \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{b} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0 + \sum_{i=1}^3 v_i \vec{b}_i$$

Homogeneous coords of a linear transform

$$\underline{\underline{L}} = \begin{array}{c|c} 3 & 1 \\ \hline L_{3 \times 3} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \hline 1 & 1 \end{array}$$

Check what this does to coordinates

$$\underline{\underline{L}} \vec{p} = \begin{pmatrix} L_{3 \times 3} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L_{3 \times 3} v \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

So $L_{3 \times 3}$ is linear transform of the displacement \vec{v} from the origin of the frame \vec{b}_0 .

