

# 3D Computer Vision (SoSe2024)

## *Primitives and Transformations in 3D*

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# Last lecture

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- 1D Transformations
- Primitives and Transformations
  - Homogeneous Coordinates
  - Points, Lines and Planes
  - 2D Transformations
  - Homography Estimation

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- The 3D Projective Space  $\mathbb{P}^3$ 
  - Points, Planes,
  - Straight Lines, ...
  - ... and their transformations

**Reminder**

# Points

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Points in 1D/2D/3D can be written in **inhomogeneous coordinates** as

$$x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

or in **homogenous coordinates** as

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{w} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{P}^1 \quad \text{or} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{w} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{P}^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{z} \\ \tilde{w} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{P}^3$$

where  $\mathbb{P}^n = \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$  is called **projective space**. Homogeneous vectors that differ

only by scale are considered equivalent and define an equivalence class, thus homogeneous vectors are **defined only up to scale**.



# Points

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An inhomogeneous vector  $\mathbf{x}$  is converted to a homogeneous vector  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  as follows

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{w} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \bar{\mathbf{x}} \quad \text{or} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{w} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \bar{\mathbf{x}} \quad \text{or} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{z} \\ \tilde{w} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \bar{\mathbf{x}}$$

with the augmented vector  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$ . To convert in opposite direction one has to divide by  $\tilde{w}$ :

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\tilde{w}} \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{1}{\tilde{w}} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{z} \\ \tilde{w} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}/\tilde{w} \\ \tilde{y}/\tilde{w} \\ \tilde{z}/\tilde{w} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Homogeneous points whose last element is  $\tilde{w} = 0$  can't be represented with inhomogeneous coordinates. They are called **ideal points** or **points at infinity**.

# 2D Lines

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2D lines can also be expressed using homogeneous coordinates  $\tilde{\mathbf{l}} = (a, b, c)^\top$

$$\{\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \mid \tilde{\mathbf{l}}\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = 0\} \Leftrightarrow \{x, y \mid ax + by + c = 0\}$$

- We can normalize  $\tilde{\mathbf{l}}$  to  $\tilde{\mathbf{l}} = (n_x, n_y, d)^\top = (\mathbf{n}, d)^\top$  with  $\|\mathbf{n}\|_2 = 1$  (**Hesse normal form**)
  - In this case,  $\mathbf{n}$  is the **normal vector** perpendicular to the line and  $d$  is its **distance** to the origin.
- An exception is the **line at infinity**  $\tilde{\mathbf{l}}_\infty = (0, 0, 1)^\top$  which passes through all ideal points.

# Duality (in 2D)

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The duality principle:

*For every proposition of two-dimensional projective geometry there exists a **dual proposition** which is obtained by interchanging the role of points and lines in the original proposition.*

- For example, dual are

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \tilde{\mathbf{l}}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^T \tilde{\mathbf{l}} = 0 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \tilde{\mathbf{l}}^T \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = 0$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \tilde{\mathbf{l}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{l}}' \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \tilde{\mathbf{l}} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}} \times \tilde{\mathbf{x}}'$$

# Overview of 2D Transformations

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Transformation	Matrix	# DOF	Preserves
translation	$[\mathbf{I} \quad \mathbf{t}]_{2 \times 3}$	2	orientation
rigid (Euclidean)	$[\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{t}]_{2 \times 3}$	3	length
similarity	$[s\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{t}]_{2 \times 3}$	4	angles
affine	$[\mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{t}]_{2 \times 3}$	6	parallelism
projective	$[\mathbf{H}]_{3 \times 3}$	8	straight lines

- Transformations form **nested set of groups** (closed under composition, inverse)
- $2 \times 3$  matrices are extended with a third  $[\mathbf{0}^\top \mathbf{1}]$  row for homogeneous transforms

# The Projective Space $\mathbb{P}^3$

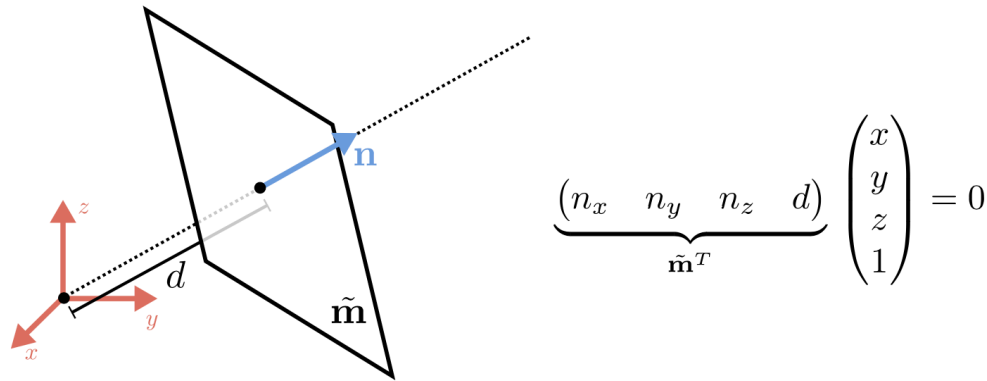
# 3D Planes

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3D planes can also be represented with homogeneous coordinates  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}} = (a, b, c, d)^\top$  as

$$\{\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \mid \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\top \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = 0\} \Leftrightarrow \{x, y, z \mid ax + by + cz + d = 0\}$$

- $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$  can be normalized:  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}} = (n_x, n_y, n_z, d)^\top = (\mathbf{n}, d)^\top$ ,  $\|\mathbf{n}\|_2 = 1$  (Hesse normal form)
  - $\mathbf{n}$  is the normal vector the plane and  $d$  its distance to the origin



- An exception is the **plane at infinity**  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}} = (0, 0, 0, 1)^\top$  which passes through all ideal points (=points at infinity) for which  $\tilde{w} = 0$





# Plane given by Three Points in $\mathbb{P}^3$

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- For a plane  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$  that contains the three points  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_3$  (in general position) it must hold  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1^\top \tilde{\mathbf{m}} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2^\top \tilde{\mathbf{m}} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_3^\top \tilde{\mathbf{m}} = 0$  or

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_3^\top \end{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{m}} = 0$$

- Thus the plane  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$  that contains the three points  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_3$  is the **right null space** of

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_3^\top \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{13} & x_{14} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{23} & x_{24} \\ x_{31} & x_{32} & x_{33} & x_{34} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Does that relate to calculating the straight line through two points?

# Reminder: Straight Line given by Two Points in $\mathbb{P}^2$

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- A line  $\tilde{\mathbf{l}}$  in  $\mathbb{P}^2$  through  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2$  (in general position) is given by the **right null space** of

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2^\top \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1_1} & x_{1_2} & x_{1_3} \\ x_{2_1} & x_{2_2} & x_{2_3} \end{pmatrix}$$

which can be calculated directly by the cross product, i.e.  $\tilde{\mathbf{l}} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1 \times \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2$

- As any point  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  on the line  $\tilde{\mathbf{l}}$  is a linear combination of  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2$  it must hold

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2^\top \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ x_{1_1} & x_{1_2} & x_{1_3} \\ x_{2_1} & x_{2_2} & x_{2_3} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

- Laplace expansion results in  $0 = x_1 D_{23} - x_2 D_{13} + x_3 D_{12}$  with  $D_{ij} = \det \begin{pmatrix} x_{1_i} & x_{1_j} \\ x_{2_i} & x_{2_j} \end{pmatrix}$ , i.e.  $\tilde{\mathbf{l}} = (D_{23}, -D_{13}, D_{12})^\top$

# Plane given by Three Points in $\mathbb{P}^3$

- As any point  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  on the plane  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$  is a linear combination of  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_3$ , it must hold

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_3^\top \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \\ x_{1_1} & x_{1_2} & x_{1_3} & x_{1_4} \\ x_{2_1} & x_{2_2} & x_{2_3} & x_{2_4} \\ x_{3_1} & x_{3_2} & x_{3_3} & x_{3_4} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

- Laplace expansion results in

$$0 = x_1 D_{234} - x_2 D_{134} + x_3 D_{124} + x_4 D_{123} \quad \text{with} \quad D_{ijk} = \det \begin{pmatrix} x_{1_i} & x_{1_j} & x_{1_k} \\ x_{2_i} & x_{2_j} & x_{2_k} \\ x_{3_i} & x_{3_j} & x_{3_k} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and thus } \tilde{\mathbf{m}} = (D_{234}, -D_{134}, D_{124}, -D_{123})^\top$$

# Example: Plane given by Three non-vanishing Points in $\mathbb{P}^3$

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- For the plane  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$  through the three non-vanishing points

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

it holds e.g.

$$D_{234} = \det \begin{pmatrix} x_{1_2} & x_{1_3} & 1 \\ x_{2_2} & x_{2_3} & 1 \\ x_{3_2} & x_{3_3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \det \begin{pmatrix} x_{1_2} - x_{3_2} & x_{1_3} - x_{3_3} & 0 \\ x_{2_2} - x_{3_2} & x_{2_3} - x_{3_3} & 0 \\ x_{3_2} & x_{3_3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = ((\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_3) \times (\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_3))_1$$

and thus

$$\tilde{\mathbf{m}} = \begin{bmatrix} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_3) \times (\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_3) \\ -\mathbf{x}_3^\top (\mathbf{x}_1 \times \mathbf{x}_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

# Duality (in 3D)

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- Dual are

 $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  $\longleftrightarrow$  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$ 

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^T \tilde{\mathbf{m}} = 0$$

 $\longleftrightarrow$ 

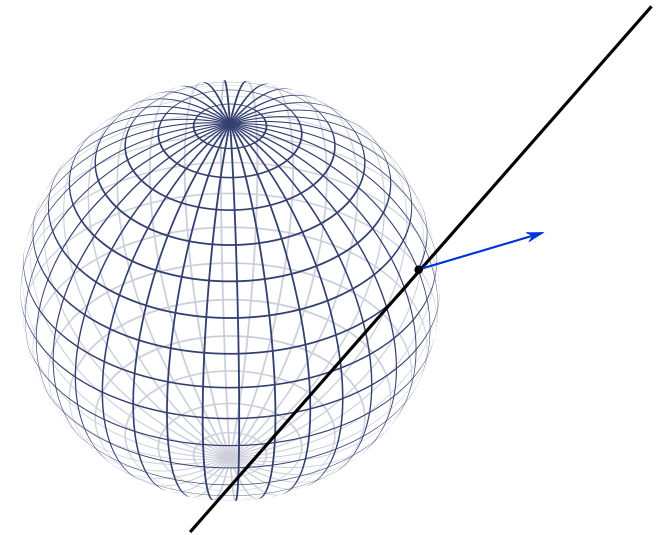
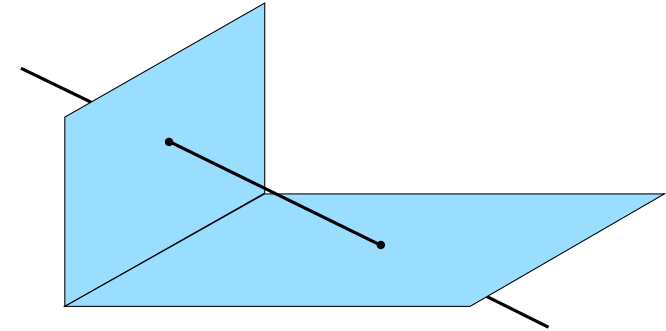
$$\tilde{\mathbf{m}}^T \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = 0$$

$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  is right null space of  $[\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_2, \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_3]^T$   $\longleftrightarrow$   $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$  is right null space of  $[\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_3]^T$

Straight Lines are dual to Straight Lines

# Straight Lines in Projective Space $\mathbb{P}^3$

- Representing a straight line in 3D is problematic
  - Straight lines in 3D have 4 DOF
  - Thus they would have to be represented by a homogeneous vector with five elements
  - Are there more suitable representations?
- Usual representations for straight lines in space are
  - Linear combination of two points
  - Plücker matrices
  - Plücker coordinates

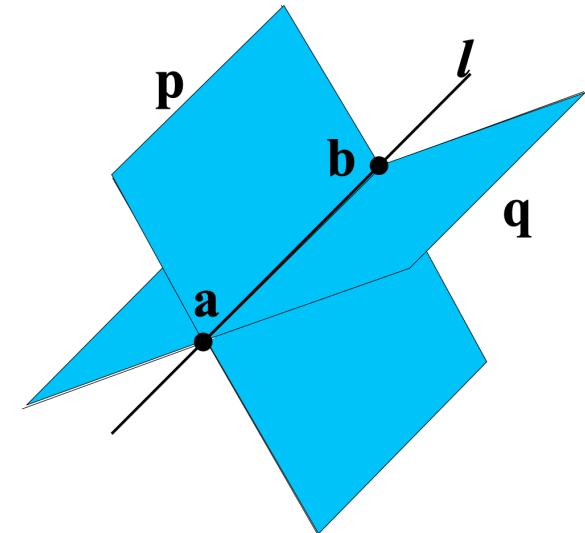


# Straight Lines in $\mathbb{P}^3$ as Linear Combination of Points

- A straight line  $\mathbf{l}$  can be represented as the space spanned by the matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}$ , consisting of points (on a straight line)  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{a}}^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{b}}^\top \end{bmatrix}$$

- The **span** of  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^\top$  is the bundle of points  $\lambda\tilde{\mathbf{a}} + \mu\tilde{\mathbf{b}}$  on the straight line  $\mathbf{l}$
- The **span** of the 2-dimensional right null space of  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}$  is the bundle of planes with the straight line  $\mathbf{l}$  as axis



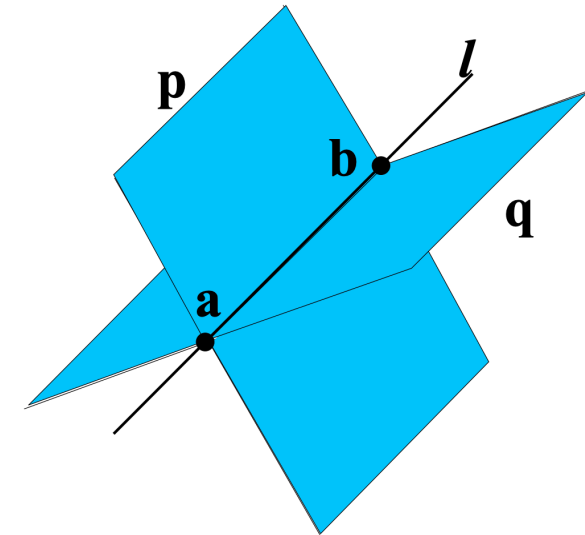


# Straight Lines in $\mathbb{P}^3$ as Linear Combination of Planes

- The **dual representation** as the right null space of the matrix

$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^* = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{p}}^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{q}}^\top \end{bmatrix}$$

contains the planes  $\mathbf{p}$  and  $\mathbf{q}$ , that intersect in the straight line  $\mathbf{l}$



- The **span** of  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^{*\top}$  is the bundle of planes  $\lambda'\tilde{\mathbf{p}} + \mu'\tilde{\mathbf{q}}$  with the axis  $\mathbf{l}$
- The **span of the 2-dimensional right null space** of  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^*$  is the bundle of points on the straight line  $\mathbf{l}$  as axis

- Relationship between the two representations:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^* \tilde{\mathbf{W}}^\top = \tilde{\mathbf{W}} \tilde{\mathbf{W}}^{*\top} = \mathbf{0}_{2 \times 2}$$

# Example

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- The  $x$ -axis ...

- ... is spanned by the point  $\mathbf{a} = (0, 0, 0)^\top$  and the direction of the  $x$ -axis  $\mathbf{b} = (1, 0, 0)^\top$  and thus

$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ... is the right null space of the  $xy$ -plane  $\tilde{\mathbf{p}} = (0, 0, 1, 0)^\top$  and the  $xz$ -plane  $\tilde{\mathbf{p}} = (0, 1, 0, 0)^\top$  and thus

$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Union and Intersection of Points, Lines and Planes

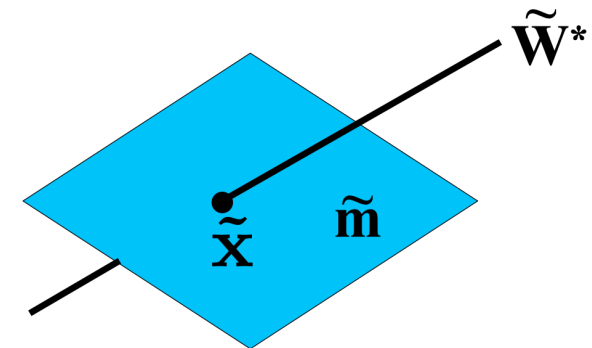
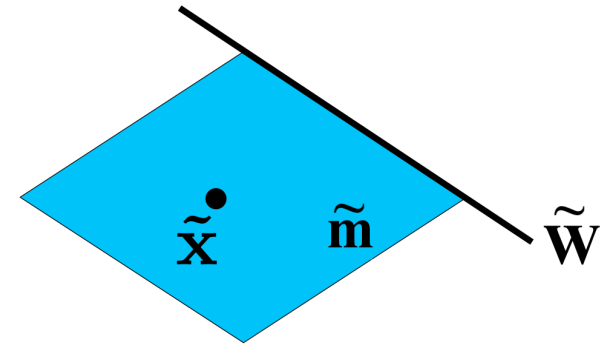
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- The plane  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$ , given by the union of the straight line  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}$  with the point  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  is the right null space of the matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{M}}$ , containing  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ , i.e.

$$\tilde{\mathbf{M}}\tilde{\mathbf{m}} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{M}} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{W}} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^\top \end{bmatrix}$$

- The point  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ , given by the intersection of the plane  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$  and the straight line  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^*$  is the right null space of the matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{M}}$ , containing  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^*$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$ , i.e.

$$\tilde{\mathbf{M}}\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{M}} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{W}}^* \\ \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\top \end{bmatrix}$$



# Example

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- The plane  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$ , given by the union of the straight line  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and the point  $(0, 0, 1)^\top$  is the right null space of

$$\tilde{\mathbf{M}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{which results in } \tilde{\mathbf{m}} = (0, 1, 0, 0)^\top$$

- The point  $\tilde{\mathbf{p}}$ , given by the intersection of the plane  $z = 1$  and the straight line  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is the right null space of

$$\tilde{\mathbf{M}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{which results in } \tilde{\mathbf{p}} = (1, 0, 0, 0)^\top$$

# Plücker Coordinates

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- For the line given by the two points  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$  it holds  $\tilde{\mathbf{W}} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{a}}^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{b}}^\top \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\text{rank}(\tilde{\mathbf{W}}) = 2$

- For two other points  $\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}'$  on the same line  $\mathbf{l}$  it holds

$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}}' = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{a}}'^\top \\ \tilde{\mathbf{b}}'^\top \end{bmatrix}, \text{rank}(\tilde{\mathbf{W}}') = 2 \text{ and } \tilde{\mathbf{W}}' = \Lambda \tilde{\mathbf{W}} \text{ with } \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{12} \\ \lambda_{21} & \lambda_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \det(\Lambda) \neq 0$$

- In particular we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} a'_i & b'_i \\ a'_j & b'_j \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{1,1} & \lambda_{1,2} \\ \lambda_{2,1} & \lambda_{2,2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_i & b_i \\ a_j & b_j \end{pmatrix} \implies \det \begin{pmatrix} a'_i & b'_i \\ a'_j & b'_j \end{pmatrix} = \det \Lambda \cdot \underbrace{\det \begin{pmatrix} a_i & b_i \\ a_j & b_j \end{pmatrix}}_{=: l_{ij}}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, 4$$

- As  $l_{ii} = 0$ ,  $\binom{4}{2} = 6$  independent quantities remain:  $(l_{12} : l_{13} : l_{14} : l_{23} : l_{24} : l_{34})$



# Plücker Matrix

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- The **Plücker Matrix**  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$  describes the straight line through the two points  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$ :

$$\tilde{\mathbf{L}} = \tilde{\mathbf{a}}\tilde{\mathbf{b}}^\top - \tilde{\mathbf{b}}\tilde{\mathbf{a}}^\top = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & l_{12} & l_{13} & l_{14} \\ -l_{12} & 0 & l_{23} & l_{24} \\ -l_{13} & -l_{23} & 0 & l_{34} \\ -l_{14} & -l_{24} & -l_{34} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ i. e. } l_{ij} = a_i b_j - b_i a_j$$

- Example: Representing the  $x$ -axis as Plücker matrix, defined by the two points  $\tilde{\mathbf{a}} = (0, 0, 0, 1)^\top$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{b}} = (1, 0, 0, 0)^\top$ :

$$\tilde{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} (1, 0, 0, 0) - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} (0, 0, 0, 1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Properties of Plücker Matrices

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- $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$  is a skew symmetric homogeneous  $4 \times 4$  Matrix
- $\text{rank}(\mathbf{L}) = 2$ 
  - 2-dim null space is the bundle of planes defined by the straight line (it holds  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{W}}^{*\top} = \mathbf{0}_{4 \times 2}$ )
- 4 DOF
  - 6 independent entries - homogeneity -  $\det(\tilde{\mathbf{L}}) = 0$
- $\tilde{\mathbf{L}} = \tilde{\mathbf{a}}\tilde{\mathbf{b}}^\top - \tilde{\mathbf{b}}\tilde{\mathbf{a}}^\top$ 
  - generalization of the crossproduct to 4D space (6 subdeterminants of  $[\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \tilde{\mathbf{b}}]$ )
- $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$  is independent of the choice of  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$  on the line, as for any  $\tilde{\mathbf{c}} = \tilde{\mathbf{a}} + \mu\tilde{\mathbf{b}}$  it holds

$$\tilde{\mathbf{L}}' = \tilde{\mathbf{a}}\tilde{\mathbf{c}}^\top - \tilde{\mathbf{c}}\tilde{\mathbf{a}}^\top = \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\tilde{\mathbf{a}}^\top + \mu\tilde{\mathbf{b}}^\top) - (\tilde{\mathbf{a}} + \mu\tilde{\mathbf{b}})\tilde{\mathbf{a}}^\top = \tilde{\mathbf{a}}\tilde{\mathbf{b}}^\top - \tilde{\mathbf{b}}\tilde{\mathbf{a}}^\top = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}$$

- If  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}' = \tilde{\mathbf{H}}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  is a point transform, the Plücker Matrix is transformed by  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}' = \tilde{\mathbf{H}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^\top$

# Dual Plücker Matrices

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- The dual Plücker matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^* = \tilde{\mathbf{p}}\tilde{\mathbf{q}}^\top - \tilde{\mathbf{q}}\tilde{\mathbf{p}}^\top$  describes the intersection of planes  $\tilde{\mathbf{p}}, \tilde{\mathbf{q}}$
- Transformation of the dual Plücker matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^*$  with the homography  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  is given by  $(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{-1})^\top \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^* \tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{-1}$

- Relationship between the Plücker matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$  and its dual  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^*$ :

$$l_{12} : l_{13} : l_{13} : l_{23} : l_{42} : l_{34} = l_{34}^* : l_{42}^* : l_{23}^* : l_{14}^* : l_{13}^* : l_{12}^*$$

- Union and Incidence

- Plane through point and straight line:  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^* \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$
- Point on straight line:  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^* \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{0}$
- Intersection between plane and straight line:  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}$
- Straight line in plane:  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^* \tilde{\mathbf{m}} = \mathbf{0}$
- Coplanar straight lines:  $[\tilde{\mathbf{L}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{L}}_2, \dots] \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{0}$

# Example: Intersection and the Plücker Matrix

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- For the intersection  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  of the  $x$ -axis with the plane  $x = 1$  it holds  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$  and thus

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Plücker Coordinates for non-vanishing Points

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- For non-vanishing points  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ , i.e.  $\tilde{\mathbf{a}} = (a_1, a_2, a_3, 1)^\top$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{b}} = (b_1, b_2, b_3, 1)^\top$  it holds

$$(l_{41}, l_{42}, l_{43})^\top = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a} \quad \text{and} \quad (l_{23}, l_{31}, l_{12})^\top = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$$

- The  $l_{ij}$  can be interpreted as a homogeneous vector

$$\tilde{\mathbf{l}} = (l_{41}, l_{42}, l_{43}, l_{23}, l_{31}, l_{12})^\top \in \mathbb{P}^5$$

- They are called **Plücker coordinates** if the condition  $\det(L) = 0$  holds, i.e. if

$$(l_{41}, l_{42}, l_{43})(l_{23}, l_{31}, l_{12})^\top = l_{41}l_{23} + l_{42}l_{31} + l_{43}l_{12} = 0$$

(only then the vector represents a straight line)

# Properties for Plücker Coordinates

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- For the two straight lines

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}}^1 = (\underbrace{l_{41}^1, l_{42}^1, l_{43}^1}_{\mathbf{u}_1}, \underbrace{l_{23}^1, l_{31}^1, l_{12}^1}_{\mathbf{v}_1}), \quad \tilde{\mathbf{I}}^2 = (\underbrace{l_{41}^2, l_{42}^2, l_{43}^2}_{\mathbf{u}_2}, \underbrace{l_{23}^2, l_{31}^2, l_{12}^2}_{\mathbf{v}_2})$$
 through points  $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{b}_1$

and  $\mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{b}_2$  it holds:

- $\tilde{\mathbf{I}}^1$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{I}}^2$  are coplanar (intersect) iff, the four points are coplanar, i.e. iff

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\tilde{\mathbf{a}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}_2, \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_2) &= l_{41}^1 l_{23}^2 + l_{42}^1 l_{31}^2 + l_{43}^1 l_{12}^2 + l_{23}^1 l_{41}^2 + l_{31}^1 l_{42}^2 + l_{12}^1 l_{43}^2 \\ &= \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{v}_1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- If  $\mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{v}_2 < 0$  then  $\tilde{\mathbf{I}}^1$  passes  $\tilde{\mathbf{I}}^2$  counter clockwise
- If  $\mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{v}_2 > 0$  then  $\tilde{\mathbf{I}}^1$  passes  $\tilde{\mathbf{I}}^2$  counter clockwise



# Euclidean Transformations in $\mathbb{P}^3$

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- Euclidean transformations in  $\mathbb{P}^3$  have 6 DOF

- Translation around the vector  $\mathbf{T} = (t_x, t_y, t_z)^\top$ , with homogeneous transformation matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{T} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (Euler) Rotations around the  $x, y, z$ -Axis, i.e.  $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R}_z \mathbf{R}_y \mathbf{R}_x$  with homogeneous transformation matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & 0 \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & 0 \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- General homogeneous representation of Euclidean transformations

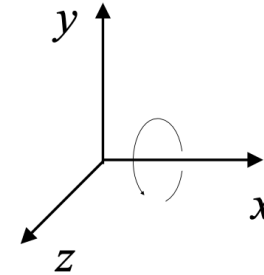
$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}' = \mathbf{H}_E \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{T} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I} \quad \text{and} \quad \det(\mathbf{R}) = 1$$

# Rotations in $\mathbb{R}^3$

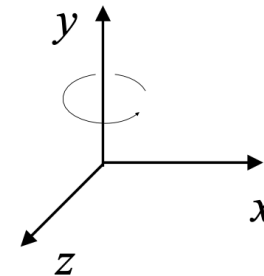
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→ (Right-handed) rotation around

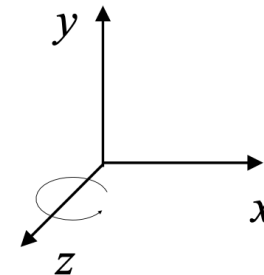
→ the x-axis  $\mathbf{R}_x(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$



→ the y-axis  $\mathbf{R}_y(\beta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \beta & 0 & \sin \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin \beta & 0 & \cos \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$



→ the z-axis  $\mathbf{R}_z(\gamma) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \gamma & -\sin \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$



# Rotations in $\mathbb{R}^3$ at a given Point $\mathbf{p}$

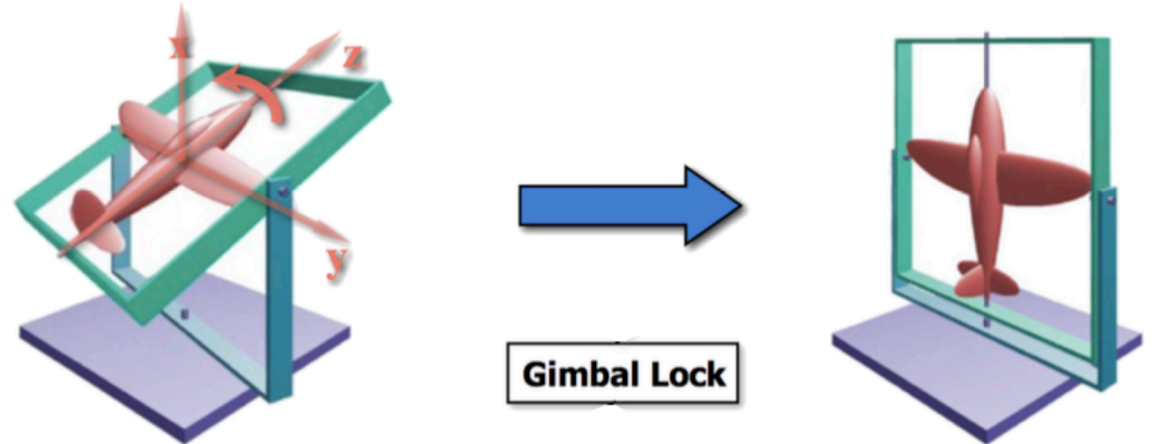
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1. *Translate* object such that the point  $\mathbf{p}$  goes to the origin (using matrix  $\mathbf{T}$ )
2. *Rotate* object (using matrix  $\mathbf{R}$ )
3. *Translate* object *back* to point  $\mathbf{p}$  (using matrix  $\mathbf{T}^{-1}$ )

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{T}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{R})\mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Euler Rotations

- Rotations around the  $x$ ,  $y$ ,  $z$  axis are called *Euler Rotations* and  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  *Euler Angles*
- *Drawbacks* of Euler Rotations
  - Order matters  
 $R(\alpha) \cdot R(\beta) \cdot R(\gamma) \neq R(\gamma) \cdot R(\beta) \cdot R(\alpha)$
  - Not unique, i.e.  
 $R(\alpha) \cdot R(\beta) \cdot R(\gamma) = R(\alpha \pm \pi) \cdot R(\beta \pm \pi) \cdot R(\gamma \pm \pi)$
  - Gimbal Lock
    - Rotations of  $\pi/2$  can lead to interference of two axis
  - Unsuitable for animation and optimization
    - No meaningful interpolation of two orientations



# Angle-Axis Rotations

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- Instead of three angles give a (normalized) axis vector  $\mathbf{n} = (x, y, z)^T$  and an angle  $\varphi$  to describe a rotation

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{R}}(\mathbf{n}, \varphi) &= \tilde{\mathbf{R}}_1^{-1} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{R}}_2^{-1} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{R}}_3 \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{R}}_2 \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{R}}_1 \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} x^2(1 - \cos \varphi) + \cos \varphi & xy(1 - \cos \varphi) - z \sin \varphi & xz(1 - \cos \varphi) + y \sin \varphi & 0 \\ xy(1 - \cos \varphi) + z \sin \varphi & y^2(1 - \cos \varphi) + \cos \varphi & yz(1 - \cos \varphi) - x \sin \varphi & 0 \\ xz(1 - \cos \varphi) - y \sin \varphi & yz(1 - \cos \varphi) + x \sin \varphi & z^2(1 - \cos \varphi) + \cos \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

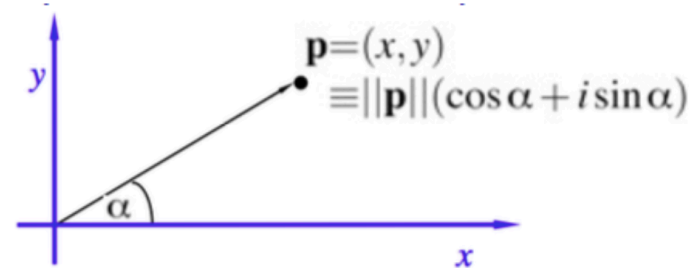
- Standard description for a rotation used in computer graphics
- No gimbal lock
- **Still not suitable for animations (meaningful interpolation between orientations not possible)**



# Some Recap of (Rotation with) Complex Numbers

- A point  $\mathbf{p} = (x, y)^T$  in the plane can be represented (using polar coordinates) as a complex number

$$\mathbf{p} = \|\mathbf{p}\|(\cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha) = \|\mathbf{p}\|e^{i\alpha}$$

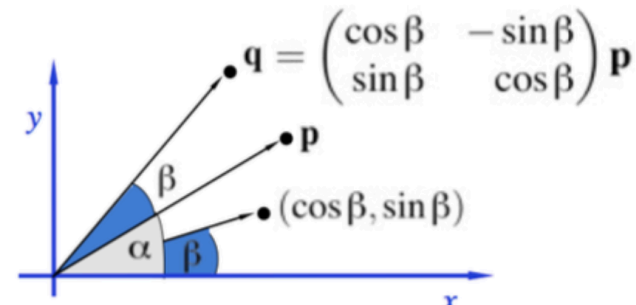


- Multiplication of  $\|\mathbf{p}\|e^{i\alpha}$  with  $e^{i\beta}$  results in

$$\mathbf{q} = \|\mathbf{p}\|e^{i\alpha} \cdot e^{i\beta} = \|\mathbf{p}\|e^{i(\alpha+\beta)} = \|\mathbf{p}\|(\cos(\alpha + \beta) + i \sin(\alpha + \beta))$$

With  $x = \|\mathbf{p}\| \cos \alpha$ ,  $y = \|\mathbf{p}\| \sin \alpha$  this can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \beta & -\sin \beta \\ \sin \beta & \cos \beta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$



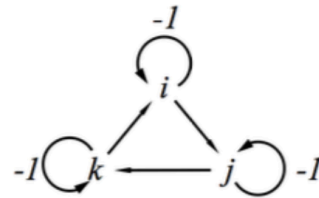
# Quaternions

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→ A quaternion

$$\mathbf{q} = \underbrace{s}_{\text{real}} \cdot 1 + \underbrace{x}_{\text{imaginary}} \cdot i + \underbrace{y}_{\text{imaginary}} \cdot j + \underbrace{z}_{\text{imaginary}} \cdot k = \left[ s, \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \right] = [s, \mathbf{v}]$$

with  $i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = ijk = -$



W. R. Hamilton  
1805-1865

is the three-dimensional generalisation of a complex number

→ Discovered 1853 by W. R. Hamilton

# Some important Properties of Quaternions

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- *Addition* (associative, commutative, neutral element is  $\mathbf{0} = [0, (0, 0, 0)]$ )  
 $\mathbf{q}_1 + \mathbf{q}_2 = [s_1 + s_2, \mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2]$
- *Multiplication* (**not commutative**, neutral element is  $\mathbf{1} = [1, (0, 0, 0)]$ )  
 $\mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}_2 = [s_1 \cdot s_2 - \langle \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle, s_1 \mathbf{v}_2 + s_2 \mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2]$
- *Distributive*  
 $\mathbf{q}(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{s}) = \mathbf{q}\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{q}\mathbf{s}$     and     $(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{s})\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{r}\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{s}\mathbf{q}$
- *Length*  
 $\|\mathbf{q}\| = \sqrt{s^2 + x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$
- *Conjugate*  
 $\bar{\mathbf{q}} = [s, -\mathbf{v}]$     with     $\mathbf{q} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{q}} = s^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{q}\|^2$

- *Inverse*

$$\mathbf{q}^{-1} = \|\mathbf{q}\|^{-2} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{q}} \quad (\|\mathbf{q}\| = 1 \implies \mathbf{q}^{-1} = \bar{\mathbf{q}})$$

# Quaternions and Rotation

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- A rotation around the axis  $\mathbf{v}$  and the angle  $\varphi$  can be described by a unit quaternion

$$\mathbf{q} = \left[ \cos \frac{\varphi}{2}, \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} \cdot \mathbf{v} \right], \quad \|\mathbf{q}\| = 1$$

- Rotating a point  $\mathbf{p}$  with a quaternion  $\mathbf{q}$  is done by

$$R(\mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p}_q \cdot \bar{\mathbf{q}} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{p}_q = [0, \mathbf{p}]$$

- Quaternions  $\mathbf{q}$  and  $-\mathbf{q}$  (opposite direction and angle) describe the same rotation, as

$$-\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p}_q \cdot \overline{-\mathbf{q}} = -1 \cdot \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p}_q \cdot \overline{(-1 \cdot \mathbf{q})} = -1 \cdot \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p}_q \cdot -1 \cdot \bar{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p}_q \cdot \bar{\mathbf{q}}$$

- Concatenation of rotations

$$R_2(R_1(\mathbf{p})) = \mathbf{q}_2 \cdot (\mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_q \cdot \bar{\mathbf{q}}_1) \cdot \bar{\mathbf{q}}_2 = (\mathbf{q}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}_1) \cdot \mathbf{p}_q \cdot \overline{(\mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}_2)}$$



# SLERP (Spherical Linear intERPolation)

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→ Linear interpolation (LERP)

→ Given starting and end point  $\mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_1$ , interpolation parameter  $t \in [0,1]$

$$\text{LERP}(\mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_1, t) = (1 - t)\mathbf{p}_0 + t\mathbf{p}_1$$

→ Spherical linear interpolation (SLERP)

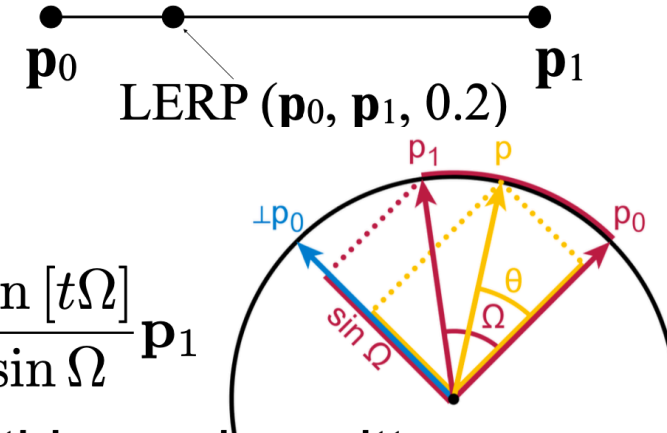
→ LERP on the surface of a (unit) sphere

$$\text{SLERP}(\mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_1, t) = \frac{\sin [(1 - t)\Omega]}{\sin \Omega} \mathbf{p}_0 + \frac{\sin [t\Omega]}{\sin \Omega} \mathbf{p}_1$$

Using quaternions  $\mathbf{q} = \left[ \cos \frac{\varphi}{2}, \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} \mathbf{v} \right]$  this can be written as

$$\text{SLERP}(\mathbf{q}_0, \mathbf{q}_1, t) = \mathbf{q}_0 (\mathbf{q}_0^{-1} \mathbf{q}_1)^t = \mathbf{q}_0 \exp (t \cdot \log (\mathbf{q}_0^{-1} \mathbf{q}_1)) \text{ with}$$

$$\log (\mathbf{q}) = \left[ 0, \frac{\varphi}{2} \mathbf{v} \right], \exp \left( \left[ 0, \frac{\varphi}{2} \mathbf{v} \right] \right) = \left[ \cos \frac{\varphi}{2}, \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} \cdot \mathbf{v} \right] = \mathbf{q}$$



# Similarity Transformations in $\mathbb{P}^3$

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- Euclidean transformations and isotropic scaling (7 DOF)
  - Homogenous matrix vector representation

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{pmatrix} & \mathbf{T} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{or } \tilde{\mathbf{x}}' = \mathbf{H}_S \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} s\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{T} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}} \quad \text{with } \mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I} \quad (\text{and } \det(\mathbf{R}) = 1)$$

# Special Affine Transformations in $\mathbb{P}^3$

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- Similarity transformations and anisotropic scaling (9 DOF)
  - Homogenous matrix vector representation

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_z \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{pmatrix} & \mathbf{T} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Special Affine Transformations in $\mathbb{P}^3$

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# Affine Transformations in $\mathbb{P}^3$

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- General affine transformation (12 DOF)
  - Homogeneous matrix vector representation

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{34} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

can be written in the form (see also camera models)

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ 0 & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & b_{33} \end{pmatrix} & [\mathbf{R} \ \mathbf{T}] \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{or } \tilde{\mathbf{x}}' = \mathbf{H}_A \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{T} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$



# Projective Transformations in $\mathbb{P}^3$

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- General projective transformation (15 DOF)
  - Homogeneous matrix vector representation

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ w' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} & p_{13} & p_{14} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} & p_{23} & p_{24} \\ p_{31} & p_{32} & p_{33} & p_{34} \\ p_{41} & p_{42} & p_{43} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix}$$

can be written in the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ w' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ 0 & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & b_{33} \end{pmatrix} & [\mathbf{R} \ \mathbf{T}] \\ p_{41} & p_{42} & p_{43} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{or } \tilde{\mathbf{x}}' = \mathbf{H}\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{T} \\ p_{41} & p_{42} & p_{43} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$





# Overview of 3D Transformations

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Transformation	Matrix	# DOF	Preserves
translation	$[\mathbf{I} \quad \mathbf{t}]_{3 \times 4}$	3	orientation
rigid (Euclidean)	$[\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{t}]_{3 \times 4}$	6	length
similarity	$[s\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{t}]_{3 \times 4}$	7	angles
affine	$[\mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{t}]_{3 \times 4}$	12	parallelism
projective	$[\mathbf{H}]_{4 \times 4}$	15	straight lines

- 3D transformations are defined analogously to 2D transformations
- $3 \times 4$  matrices are extended with a fourth  $[\mathbf{0}^T \ 1]$  row for homogeneous transforms

# Transformations on Co-Vectors

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If a point  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  is transformed by a perspective 2D (3D) transformation  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  as

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}' = \tilde{\mathbf{H}}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$

for a transformed 2D line (3D Plane) it must hold

$$0 = \tilde{\mathbf{l}}'^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}' = \tilde{\mathbf{l}}'^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = (\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{l}}')^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \tilde{\mathbf{l}}^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$

and therefore

$$\tilde{\mathbf{l}}' = \tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{-\top} \tilde{\mathbf{l}}$$

Thus, the **action of a projective transformation on a co-vector** such as a 2D line or 3D plane can be represented by the **transposed inverse** of the matrix.

The transformation on a 3D line  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$  is given by  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{\top}$

# Plane at infinity

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- If points on  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_\infty = (0, 0, 0, 1)^\top$  are mapped by an affine transformation  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  it holds

$$\tilde{\mathbf{m}}'_\infty = (\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{-1})^\top \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_\infty = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}^{-\top} & 0 \\ -\mathbf{T}^\top \mathbf{A}^{-\top} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_\infty$$

- The plane at infinity  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_\infty = (0, 0, 0, 1)^\top$  is fixed under  $\mathbf{H}$ , iff  $\mathbf{H}$  is an **affine transform**
- Properties of the plane at infinity
  - Canonical position  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_\infty = (0, 0, 0, 1)^\top$
  - Contains the directions (vanishing points)
  - Two planes are parallel iff their intersection line  $\tilde{\mathbf{l}}_\infty = (x_1, x_2, x_3, 0)^\top$  is in  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_\infty$

- A straight line is parallel to a straight line (or a plane) iff its intersection is in  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_\infty$

