## Vector Math

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- Column: $\vec{v}=\left[\begin{array}{c}v^{0} \\ v^{1}\end{array}\right]$ (we'll usually use this form)
- Row: $\vec{v}=\left[\begin{array}{ll}v_{0} & v_{1}\end{array}\right]$ (some texts; I like for normals)


## Matrices

- Matrix: $A=\left[\begin{array}{rr}a_{0}^{0} & a_{1}^{0} \\ a_{0}^{1} & a_{1}^{1}\end{array}\right]=\left[a_{j}^{i}\right]$
- Transpose: $A^{T}=\left[\begin{array}{cc}a_{0}^{0} & a_{0}^{1} \\ a_{1}^{0} & a_{1}^{1}\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}j \\ i_{i}\end{array}\right]$
- Multiply: $A B=\left[\begin{array}{rr}a_{0}^{0} & a_{1}^{0} \\ a_{0}^{1} & a_{1}^{1}\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{ll}b_{0}^{0} & b_{1}^{0} \\ b_{0}^{1} & b_{1}^{1}\end{array}\right]=$

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ll}
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## Adjoint and Inverse

- Inverse: $A^{-1} A=A A^{-1}=I$
- Determinant: $|A|$
- $|a|=a$
- Adjoint: $A^{*}=\operatorname{cof}(A)^{T}$ (matrix of cofactors $\operatorname{cof}(A)$ )
- $A^{-1}=\frac{A^{*}}{|A|}$


## Dot Product

- Also called inner product
- $\vec{u} \bullet \vec{v}$ is a scalar
- $\vec{u} \bullet \vec{v}=\vec{v} \bullet \vec{u}$
- $(a \vec{u}) \bullet \vec{v}=a(\vec{u} \bullet \vec{v})$
- $(\vec{u}+\vec{v}) \bullet \vec{w}=\vec{u} \bullet \vec{w}+\vec{v} \bullet \vec{w}$
- $\vec{v} \bullet \vec{v} \geq 0$
- $\vec{v} \bullet \vec{v}=0 \leftrightarrow \vec{v}=\overrightarrow{0}$
- Matrix notation: $\vec{u} \bullet \vec{v}=U^{T} V=u_{\alpha} v^{\alpha}$


## Dot Product as Norm

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## Orthogonal \& Normal

- Orthogonal $=$ perpendicular: $\vec{u} \bullet \vec{v}=0$
- Normal (this usage) $=$ unit-length: $\vec{u} \bullet \vec{u}=1$
- Orthonormal: set of vectors both orthogonal and normal
- Orthogonal matrix: rows (\& columns) orthonormal
- For orthogonal matrices, $A^{-1}=A^{T}$


## 3D Cross Product

$\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$

- length $=$ area of parallelogram $=$ twice area of triangle
- $|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}|=|\vec{u}||\vec{v}| \sin (\theta)$
- direction $=$ perpendicular to $\vec{u}$ and $\vec{v}$ (right hand rule)

$$
\vec{u} \times \vec{v}=\left|\begin{array}{lll}
\hat{i} & & \\
\hat{j} & U & V \\
\hat{k} & &
\end{array}\right|=\left[\begin{array}{c}
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