

# CSC 433/533 Computer Graphics

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# Lecture 19 Viewing

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## Today's Agenda

- Reminders:
  - A05 Questions?
- Goals for today: discuss view transformations

## Recall: Homogeneous Coordinates

- To put this into one system of linear equations, we increase the dimensionality, adding a component  $w = 1$  for vectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & x_t \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & y_t \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11}x + m_{12}y + x_t \\ m_{21}x + m_{22}y + y_t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

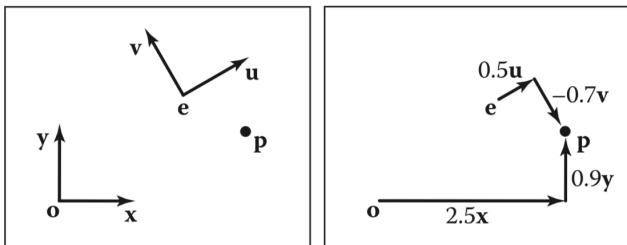
- Implements a linear transformation followed by a translation  $(x_t, y_t)$
- These transformations are called **affine transformations**:
  - Like linear transformations, they keep straight lines straight and parallel lines parallel, but they do not preserve the origin

## Recall: Coordinate Systems

- Points in space can be represented using an origin position and a set of orthogonal basis vectors:

$$\mathbf{p} = (x_p, y_p) \equiv \mathbf{0} + x_p \mathbf{x} + y_p \mathbf{y} \quad \mathbf{p} = (u_p, v_p) \equiv \mathbf{e} + u_p \mathbf{u} + v_p \mathbf{v}$$

- Any point can be described in either coordinate system



## Recall: Matrices for Converting Coordinate Systems

- Using homogenous coordinates and affine transformations, we can convert between coordinate systems:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_p \\ y_p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & x_e \\ 0 & 1 & y_e \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_u & x_v & 0 \\ y_u & y_v & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_p \\ v_p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_u & x_v & x_e \\ y_u & y_v & y_e \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_p \\ v_p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- More generally, any arbitrary coordinate system transform:

- $\mathbf{P}_{uv} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{uv} & \mathbf{y}_{uv} & \mathbf{o}_{uv} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_{xy}$

## Viewing

## Recall: Two Ways to Think About How We Make Images

- Drawing
- Photography



## Recall: Two Ways to Think About Rendering

- Object-Ordered
  - Decide, for every object in the scene, its contribution to the image
- TODAY**
- Image-Ordered
  - Decide, for every pixel in the image, its contribution from every object

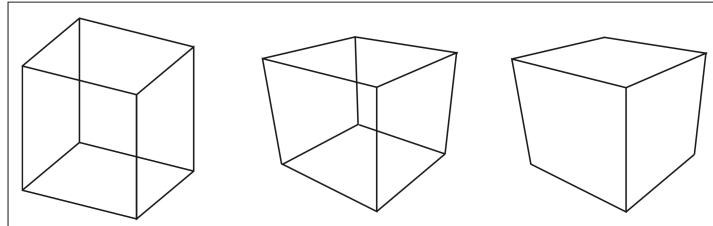
## View Transformations

## Using Transformations for Rendering

- Idea for today: Matrices can be used to move objects from 3D spaces to the 2D space of an image
- Broadly, this reduction of dimensions is called **viewing transformation**
- We will compose multiple matrix-based transformations to rethink cameras

## Drawing by Transformation

- For now, we will consider drawing wireframe objects (collections of 3D line segments)

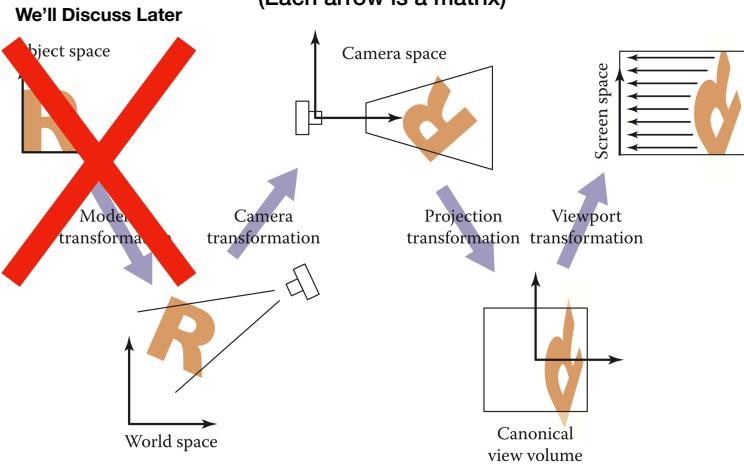


Orthographic

Perspective

Perspective +  
Hidden Line Removal

## Step-by-Step Viewing Transformations (Each arrow is a matrix)



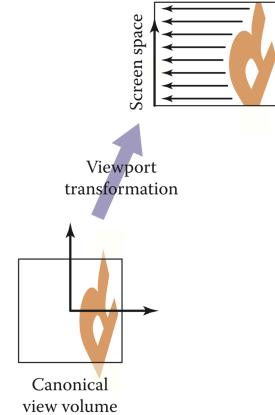
## Viewport Transformation

- Goal: Transform from a canonical 2D space to pixel coordinates

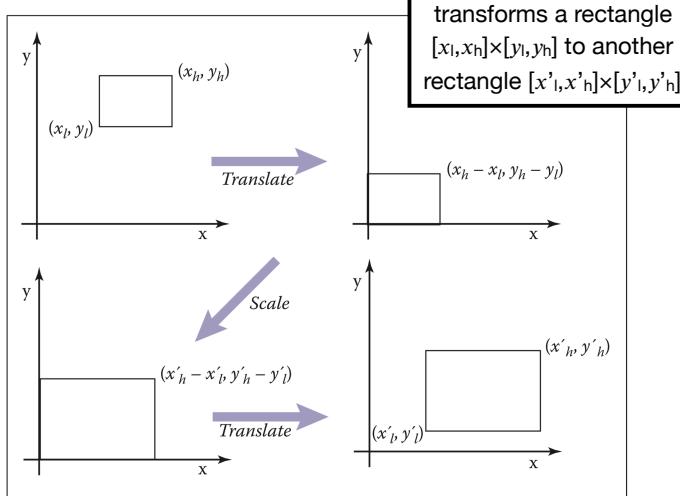
- Canonical space:  
 $(x_{\text{canonical}}, y_{\text{canonical}}) \in [-1, 1] \times [-1, 1]$

- Pixel space:  
 $(x_{\text{screen}}, y_{\text{screen}}) \in [0.5, n_x - 0.5] \times [0.5, n_y - 0.5]$

- Initially, we will think of this as transformation of a 2D to 2D space

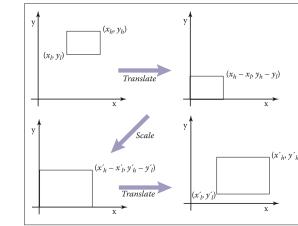


## Viewports as Windowing



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- Decompose windowing into three steps



$$\text{translate}(x'_l, y'_l) \text{ scale}\left(\frac{x'_h - x'_l}{x_h - x_l}, \frac{y'_h - y'_l}{y_h - y_l}\right) \text{ translate}(-x_l, -y_l)$$

## Viewports as Windowing

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & x'_l \\ 0 & 1 & y'_l \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x'_h - x'_l}{x_h - x_l} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{y'_h - y'_l}{y_h - y_l} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -x_l \\ 0 & 1 & -y_l \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Multiplying together:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{x'_h - x'_l}{x_h - x_l} & 0 & \frac{x'_l x_h - x'_h x_l}{x_h - x_l} \\ 0 & \frac{y'_h - y'_l}{y_h - y_l} & \frac{y'_l y_h - y'_h y_l}{y_h - y_l} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Sidebar: Combining a 3x3 Linear Matrix Followed by a Translation

- Translation *after* the linear transformation can always be read off separately.
- Often useful for debugging.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & x_t \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & y_t \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & z_t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & 0 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & x_t \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & y_t \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & z_t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Using Windowing to Define the Viewport Transformation

- Plugging in with our known constants:

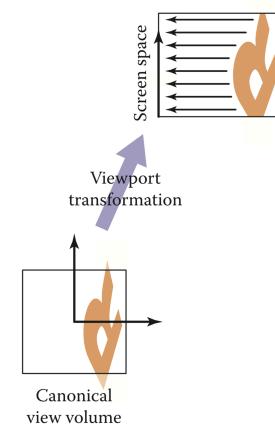
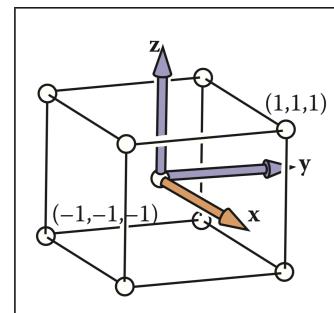
$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{x'_h - x'_l}{x_h - x_l} & 0 & \frac{x'_l x_h - x'_h x_l}{x_h - x_l} \\ 0 & \frac{y'_h - y'_l}{y_h - y_l} & \frac{y'_l y_h - y'_h y_l}{y_h - y_l} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{\text{screen}} \\ y_{\text{screen}} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n_x}{2} & 0 & \frac{n_x - 1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{n_y}{2} & \frac{n_y - 1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{\text{canonical}} \\ y_{\text{canonical}} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Right now, we do not need z-values, but eventually we will need to carry them through with no changes:

$$M_{\text{vp}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n_x}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{n_x - 1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{n_y}{2} & 0 & \frac{n_y - 1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

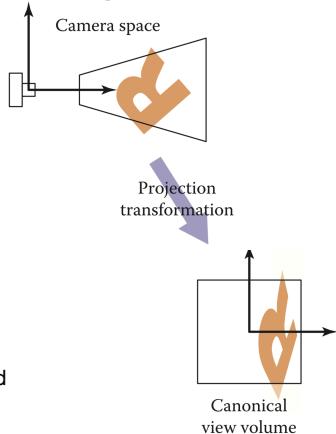
## Canonical View Volume

- In actuality, our viewport transformation will work with the **canonical view volume**



# Orthographic Projection

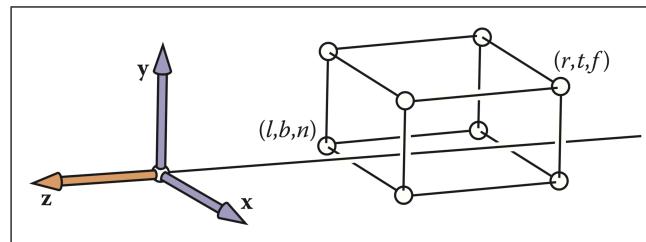
- Goal: Convert objects from 3D representation to canonical view volume
- We will start by modeling this 3D space as an axis-aligned box
  - View volume:  $[l, r] \times [b, t] \times [f, n]$
  - Canonical view volume:  $[-1, 1] \times [-1, 1] \times [-1, 1]$
- Reshapes the view volume as defined by the camera



# Orthographic Projection

- Orthographic view volume** defined by six scalars:
- Convention:  $n > f$ , but note that both are negative

$x = l \equiv$  left plane,  
 $x = r \equiv$  right plane,  
 $y = b \equiv$  bottom plane,  
 $y = t \equiv$  top plane,  
 $z = n \equiv$  near plane,  
 $z = f \equiv$  far plane.



# Orthographic Projection

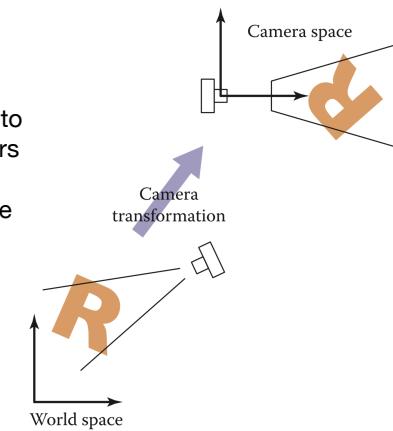
- Just a 3D windowing transformation!

$$\mathbf{M}_{\text{orth}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x'_h - x'_l}{x_h - x_l} & 0 & 0 & \frac{x'_l x_h - x'_h x_l}{x_h - x_l} \\ 0 & \frac{y'_h - y'_l}{y_h - y_l} & 0 & \frac{y'_l y_h - y'_h y_l}{y_h - y_l} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{z'_h, z'_l}{z_h - z_l} & \frac{z'_l z_h - z'_h z_l}{z_h - z_l} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{\text{orth}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{r-l} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{r+l}{r-l} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{t-b} & 0 & -\frac{t+b}{t-b} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{n-f} & -\frac{n+f}{n-f} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

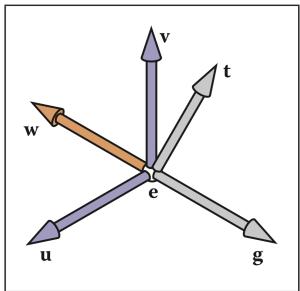
# Camera Transformations

- Goal: Transform 3D space to arbitrary camera parameters
- Camera modeled with three vectors:
  - e, the eye position
  - g, the gaze direction
  - t, the view up direction



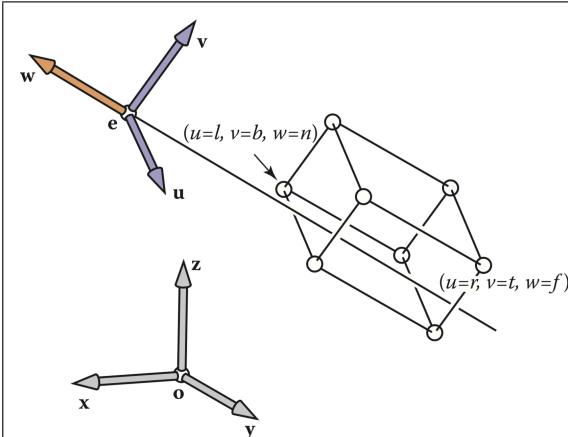
## Camera Coordinates

- We will convert to a camera coordinate system with origin,  $e$ , and orthogonal basis vectors  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}$ , and  $\mathbf{w}$



$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{w} &= -\frac{\mathbf{g}}{\|\mathbf{g}\|}, \\ \mathbf{u} &= -\frac{\mathbf{t} \times \mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{t} \times \mathbf{w}\|}, \\ \mathbf{v} &= \mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{u}.\end{aligned}$$

## Camera Coordinates



## Changing Coordinates

- We need to both translate the origin and change coordinate systems

$$\mathbf{M}_{\text{cam}} = [\mathbf{u} \ \mathbf{v} \ \mathbf{w} \ \mathbf{e}]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} x_u & y_u & z_u & 0 \\ x_v & y_v & z_v & 0 \\ x_w & y_w & z_w & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -x_e \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -y_e \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -z_e \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Viewing Algorithm

```

construct M_vp
construct M_orth
construct M_cam
M = M_vp * M_orth * M_cam
for each 3D object O {
    O_screen = M * O
    draw(O_screen)
}
For example, if O is a triangle, with
vertices a, b, and c, transform all 3
vertices Ma, Mb, and Mc

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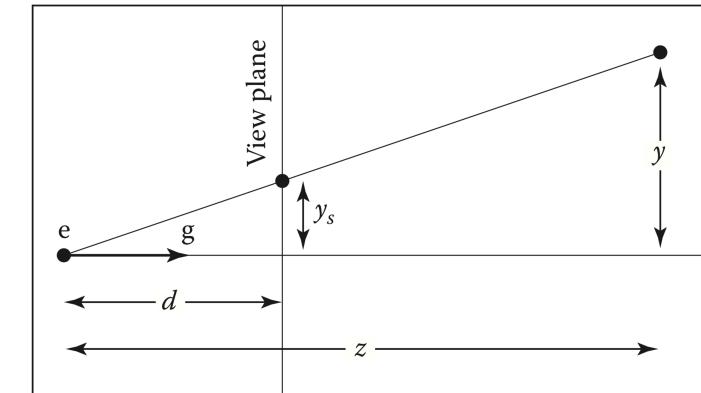
# Projective Transformations

## Problem: How to divide by $z$ ?

- Linear transformations:  $x' = ax + by + cz$
- Affine transformations:  $x' = ax + by + cz + d$
- Our trick: using  $w$  in homogeneous coordinates as a denominator:  $x' = \frac{a_1x+b_1y+c_1z+d_1}{ex+fy+gz+h}$
- Same denominator for all coordinates.

## Relative Size Based on Distance

- Key idea of perspective: the size of an object on the screen is proportional to  $1/z$   $y_s = \frac{d}{z} y$



## Projective Transformations, or Homographies

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{z} \\ \tilde{w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 & d_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 & d_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 & d_3 \\ e & f & g & h \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Where we reinterpret coordinates by diving by  $w$ :

$$(x', y', z') = (\tilde{x}/\tilde{w}, \tilde{y}/\tilde{w}, \tilde{z}/\tilde{w})$$

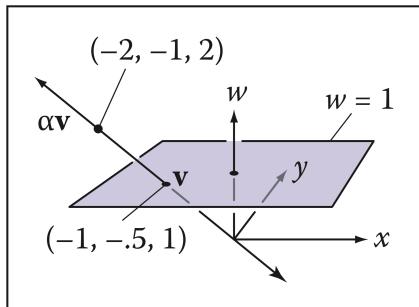
## Equivalence of Points

- Key idea: all scalar multiples of a vector are the same!
- Equivalently: we're treating points as lines in one dimension higher

$$\mathbf{x} \sim \alpha\mathbf{x}$$

for all  $\alpha \neq 0$

We will only divide by  $w$  when we want the Cartesian coordinates



## Perspective Projection

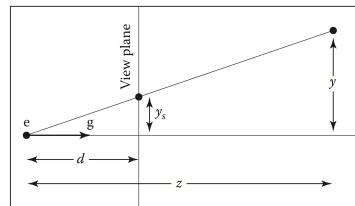
### Using Homographies for Perspective

- We can now replace:

$$y_s = \frac{d}{z} y$$

- With:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_s \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

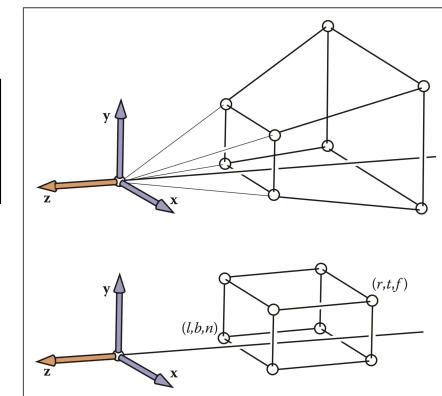


## Perspective Matrix

- Our matrix:

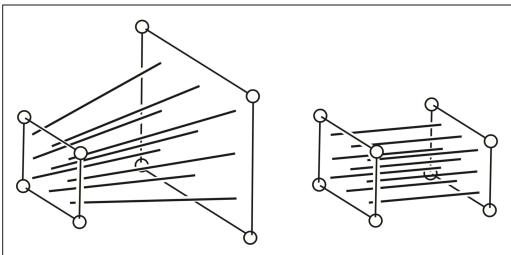
$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} n & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & n & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & n+f & -fn \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Keeps near plane fixed, maps far plane to back of the box



# Perspective Distortion

- Effect on view rays / lines:



- Note that affine transformation cannot do this because it keeps parallel lines parallel

# Perspective Distortion

- Perspective matrix effect on coordinates is nonlinear distortion in z:

$$\begin{bmatrix} n & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & n & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & n+f & -fn \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- But it does, however, preserve order in the z-coordinate (which will become useful very soon)

# Perspective Projection Matrix

- Concatenating the perspective matrix with the orthographic projection provides the perspective projection matrix:

$$\mathbf{M}_{\text{per}} = \mathbf{M}_{\text{orth}} \mathbf{P} \quad \mathbf{M}_{\text{per}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2n}{r-l} & 0 & \frac{l+r}{l-r} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2n}{t-b} & \frac{b+t}{b-t} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{f+n}{n-f} & \frac{2fn}{f-n} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- We can define  $l$ ,  $r$ ,  $b$ , and  $t$  relative to the near plane, since we keep it fixed

# Putting it all together

Equivalently:

```
construct M_vp
construct M_per
construct M_cam
M = M_vp * M_per * M_cam
for each 3D object O {
    O_screen = M * O
    draw(O_screen)
}
```

For a given vertex  $\mathbf{a} = (x, y, z)$ ,  
 $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{Ma}$  should result in  
drawing  $(x_p/w_p, y_p/w_p, z_p/w_p)$   
on the screen

## Lec20 Required Reading

- FOOG, Ch. 8

## Reminder: Assignment 05

Assigned: Wednesday, Oct. 30  
Written Due: Monday, Nov. 11, 4:59:59 pm  
Program Due: Wednesday, Nov. 13, 4:59:59 pm