



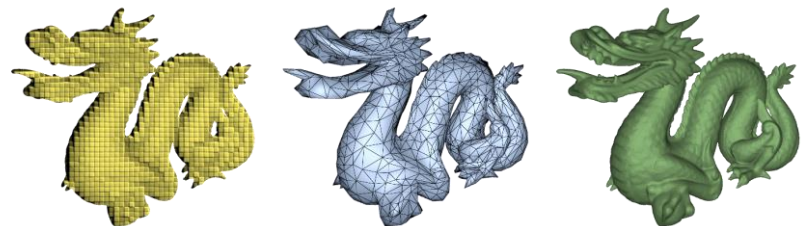
Computer Graphics

Viewing Transformation

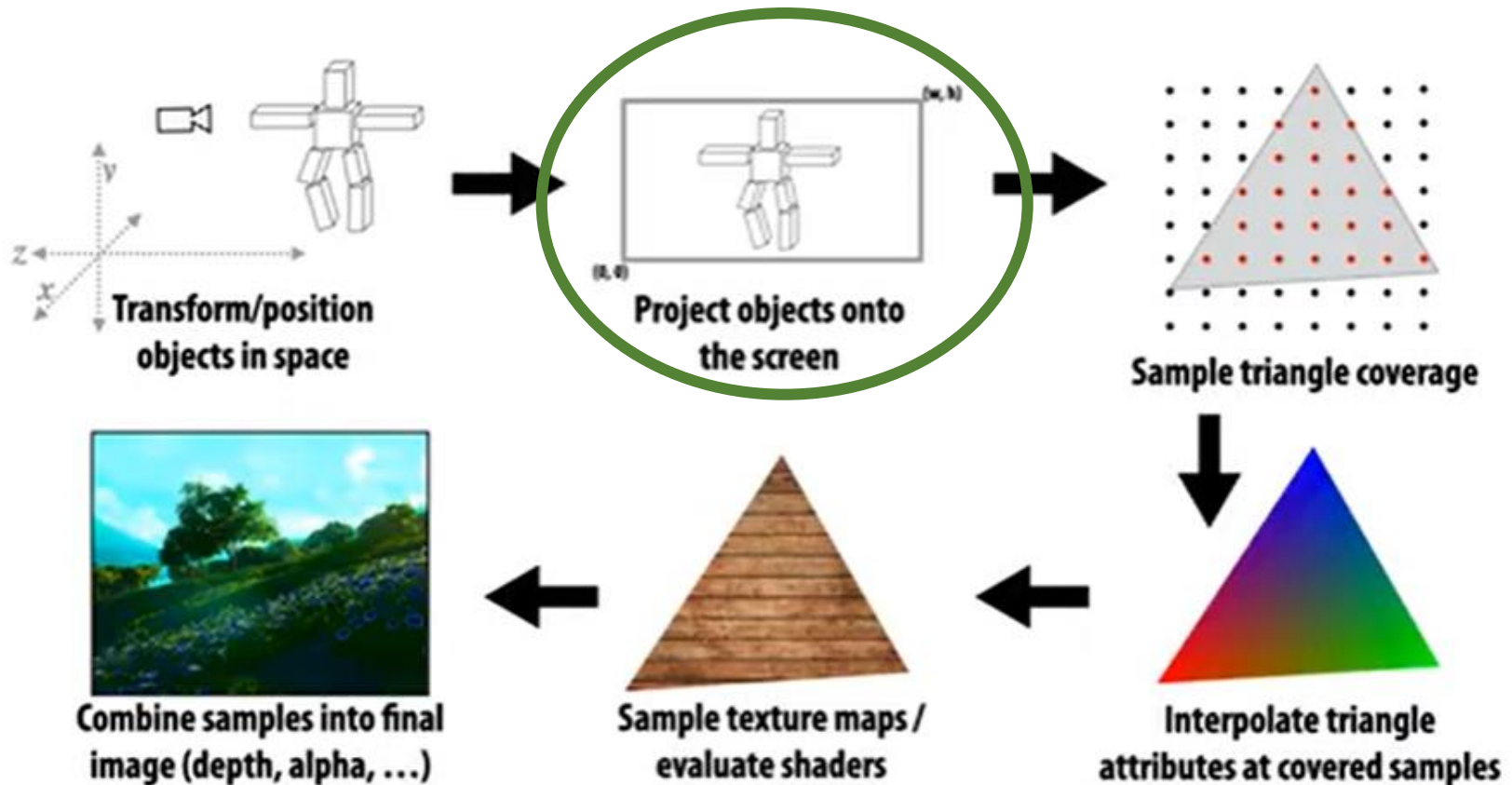
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The Rasterization Pipeline



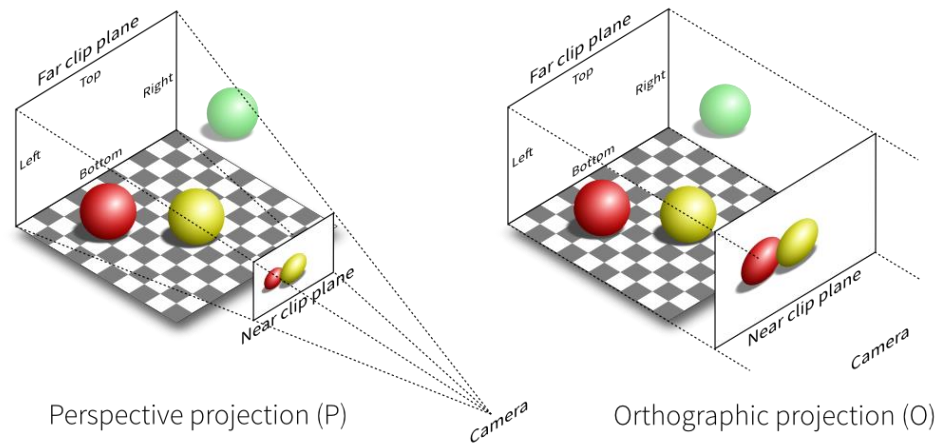
Outline

- Viewing Transformation
 - View / Camera transformation
 - Projection transformation
 - Orthographic projection
 - Perspective projection
- Viewport Transformation



What Is Viewing Transformation (观测变换)

- To display a **3D world onto a 2D screen**
 - Additional task of reducing dimensions from 3D to 2D (Projection)
 - 3D viewing transformation is analogous to taking a picture with a camera



Viewing / Camera Transformation

- Think about how to take a photo
 - Find a good place and arrange people (**model** transformation)
 - Find a good “angle” to put the camera (**view/camera** transformation)
 - Shoot! (**projection** transformation)

MVP Transformation



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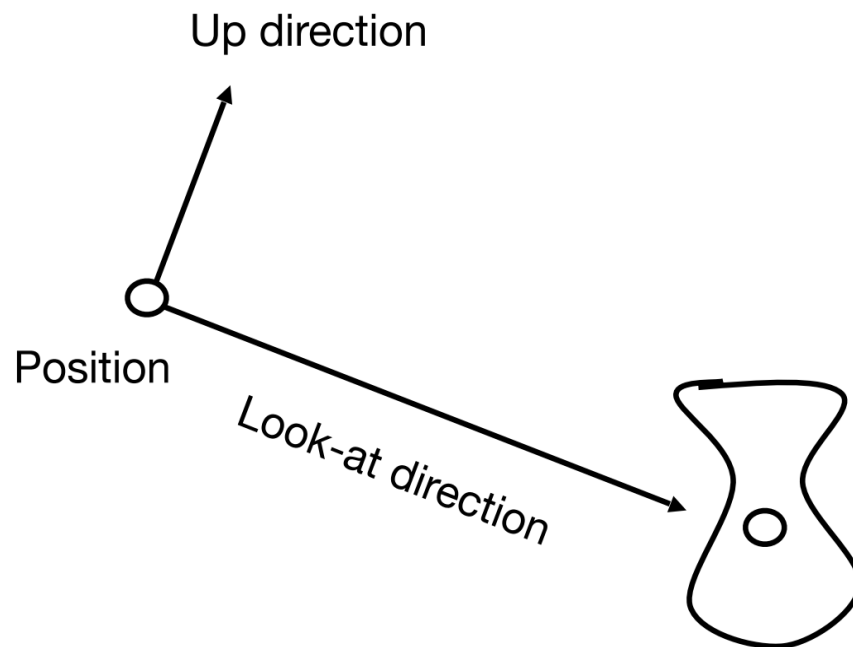


View / Camera Transformation (视图变换)

- How to perform view transformation?

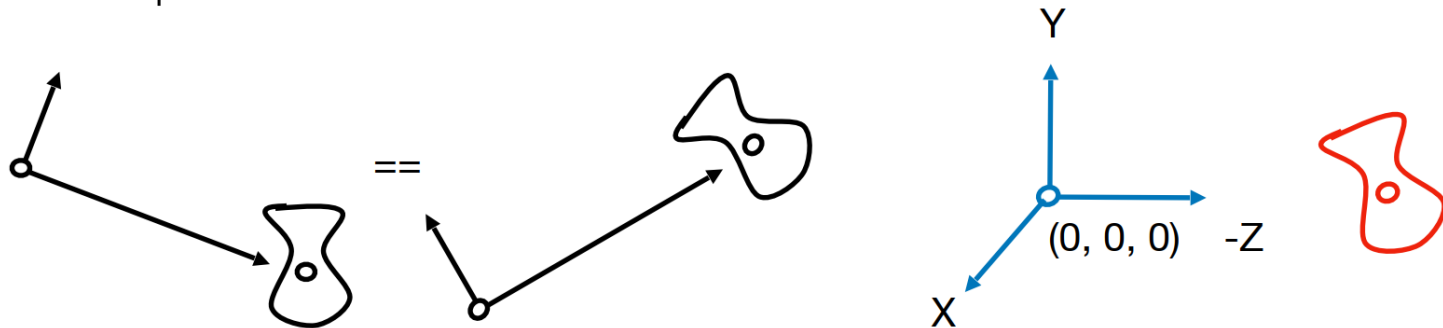
- Define the camera first

- Position \vec{e}
- Look-at / gaze direction \hat{g}
- Up direction \hat{t}
(assuming perp. to look-at)



View / Camera Transformation

- Key observation
 - If the camera and all objects move together, the “photo” will be the same

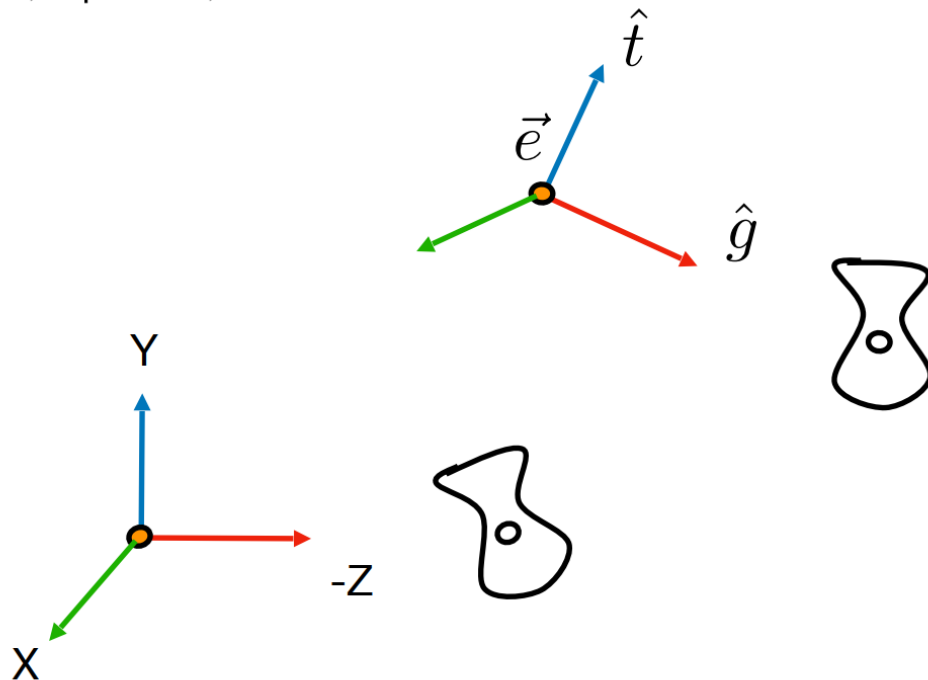


- How about that we always transform the camera to
 - The origin, up at Y, look at -Z
 - And transform the objects along with the camera

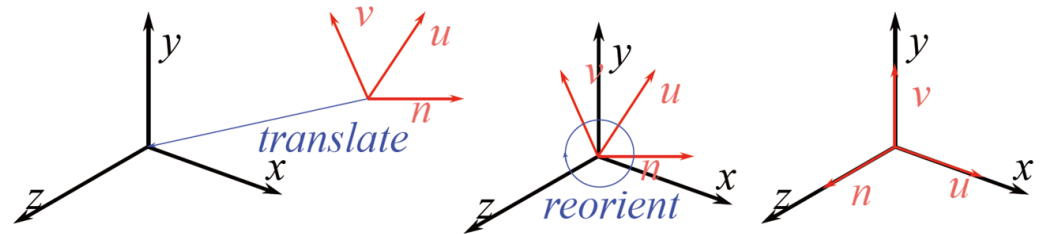
View / Camera Transformation

- Transform the camera by M_{view}
 - So it's located at the origin, up at Y, look at -Z

- M_{view} in math?
 - Translates e to origin
 - Rotates g to -Z
 - Rotates t to Y
 - Rotates $(g \times t)$ To X
 - Difficult to write!



View / Camera Transformation



• M_{view} in math?

- Let's write $M_{view} = R_{view}T_{view}$
- Translate e to origin

$$T_{view} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -x_e \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -y_e \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -z_e \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

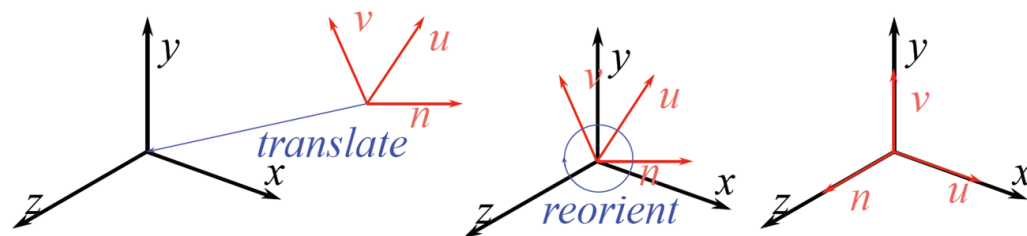
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & x_t & x_{-g} & 0 \\ y_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & y_t & y_{-g} & 0 \\ z_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & z_t & z_{-g} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} \\ y_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} \\ z_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Rotate g to -Z, t to Y, (g x t) To X
- Consider its **inverse** rotation: X to (g x t), Y to t, Z to -g

$$R_{view}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & x_t & x_{-g} & 0 \\ y_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & y_t & y_{-g} & 0 \\ z_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & z_t & z_{-g} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{WHY?}} R_{view} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & y_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & z_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & 0 \\ x_t & y_t & z_t & 0 \\ x_{-g} & y_{-g} & z_{-g} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



View / Camera Transformation



$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{view} &= R_{view} T_{view} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} x_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & y_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & z_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & 0 \\ x_t & y_t & z_t & 0 \\ x_{-g} & y_{-g} & z_{-g} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -x_e \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -y_e \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -z_e \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} x_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & y_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & z_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}} & -(\vec{X} \cdot E) \\ x_t & y_t & z_t & -(\vec{Y} \cdot E) \\ x_{-g} & y_{-g} & z_{-g} & -(\vec{Z} \cdot E) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$E = (x_e, y_e, z_e)$$

$$\vec{X} = (x_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}}, y_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}}, z_{\hat{g} \times \hat{t}})$$

$$\vec{Y} = (x_t, y_t, z_t)$$

$$\vec{Z} = (x_{-g}, y_{-g}, z_{-g})$$

View / Camera Transformation

- Summary
 - Transform objects together with the camera
 - Until camera's at the origin, up at Y, look at -Z



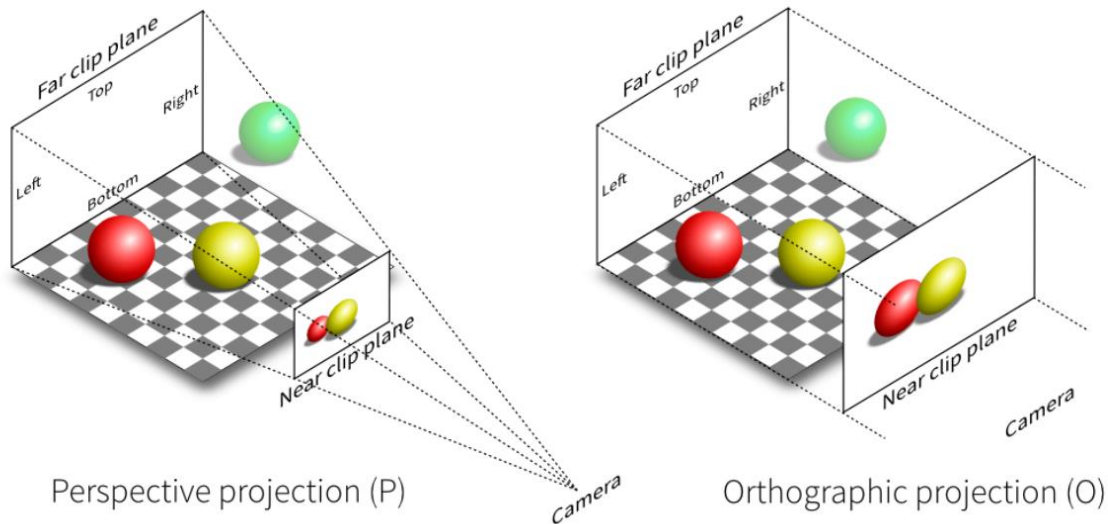
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Projection Transformation

- Projection in Computer Graphics
 - 3D to 2D
 - Orthographic projection
 - Perspective projection



View Frustum

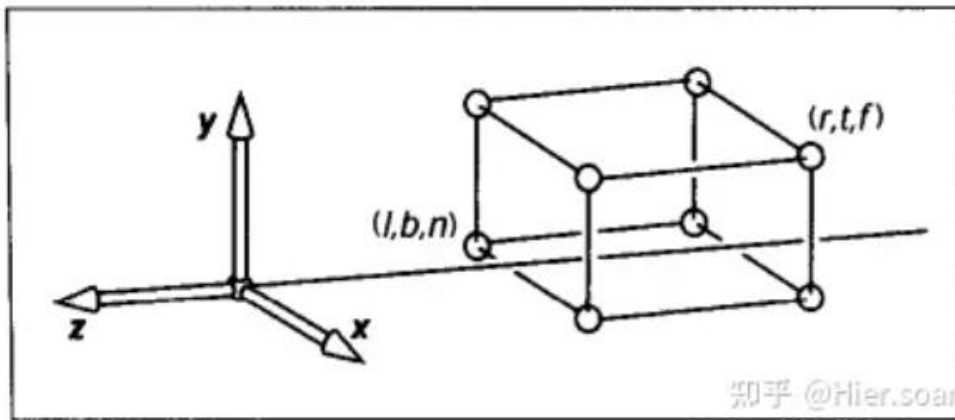
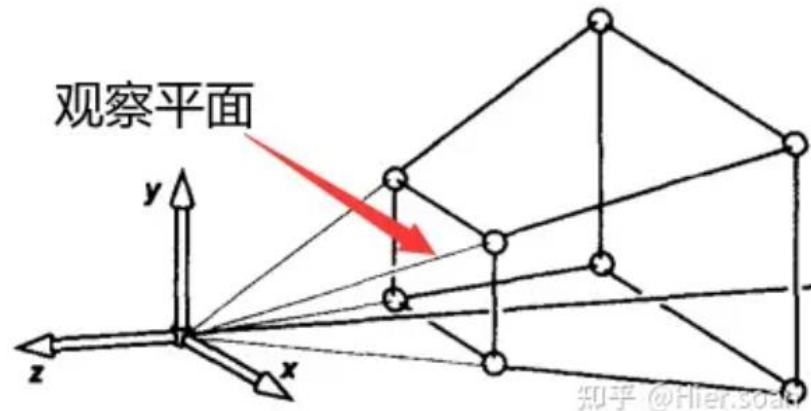


图2: 观察空间中标定的正射投影视体



观察空间内标定的透视投影体

Standard View Frustum

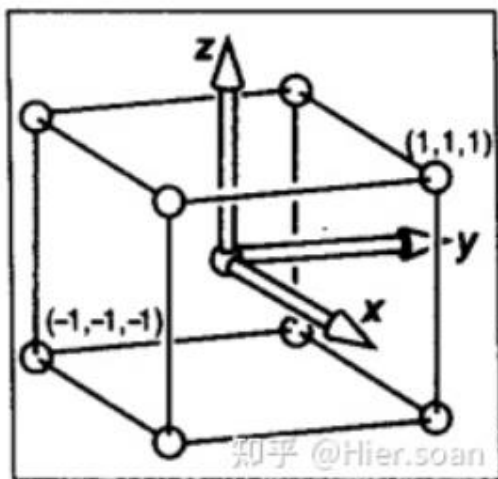
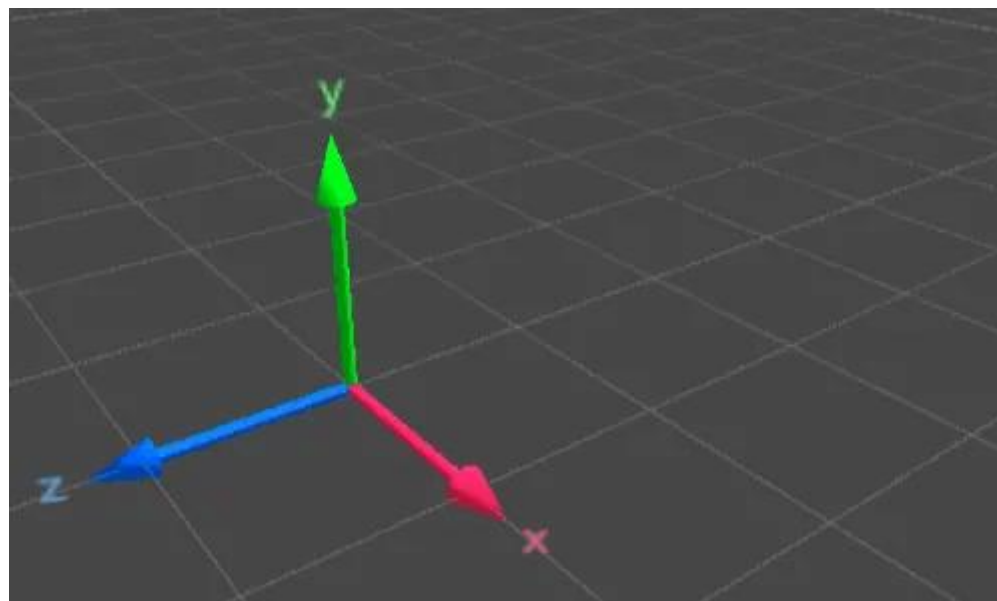
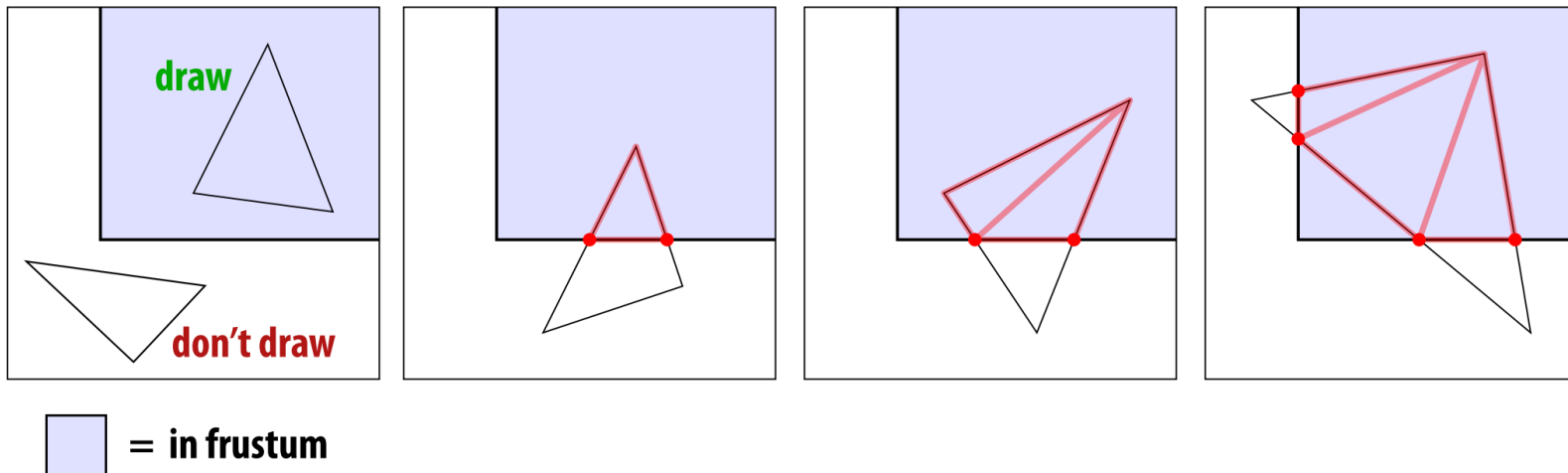


图1: 标准视体



Clipping

- **“Clipping” eliminates triangles not visible to the camera / in view frustum**
 - **Don’t waste time rasterizing primitives (e.g., triangles) you can’t see!**
 - **Discarding individual fragments is expensive (“fine granularity”)**
 - **Makes more sense to toss out whole primitives (“coarse granularity”)**
 - **Still need to deal with primitives that are partially clipped...**



[计算机图形学补充2：齐次空间裁剪\(Homogeneous Space Clipping\) - 知乎 \(zhihu.com\)](#)



Clipping



整个三角形删除

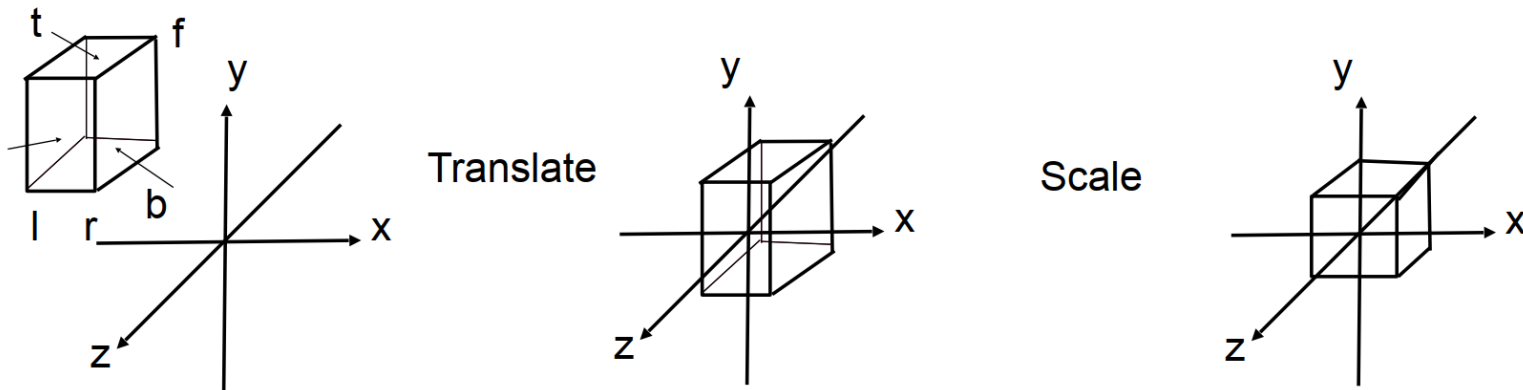


部分删除，重新组合

三角形顶点落在视锥体外不同处理方法的结果

Orthographic Projection

- In general
 - We want to map a cuboid $[l, r] \times [b, t] \times [f, n]$ to the “canonical (正则、规范、标准)” cube $[-1, 1]^3$



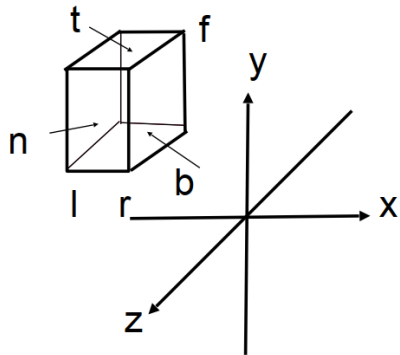
- Center cuboid by translating
- Scale into “canonical” cube

Orthographic Projection

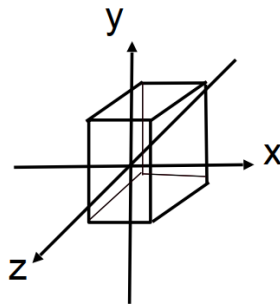
- Transformation matrix?

- Translate (**center** to origin) **first**, then scale (length/width/height to **2**)

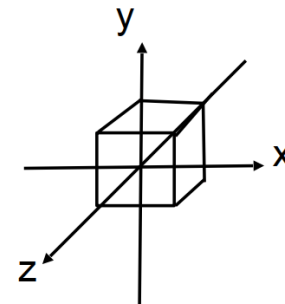
$$M_{ortho} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{r-l} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{t-b} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{n-f} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{r+l}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -\frac{t+b}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{n+f}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{scale to} \\ \text{size 2} \end{matrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{r-l} & 0 & 0 & \frac{l+r}{l-r} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{t-b} & 0 & \frac{b+t}{b-t} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{n-f} & \frac{f+n}{f-n} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{translate} \\ \text{to origin} \end{matrix}$$



Translate

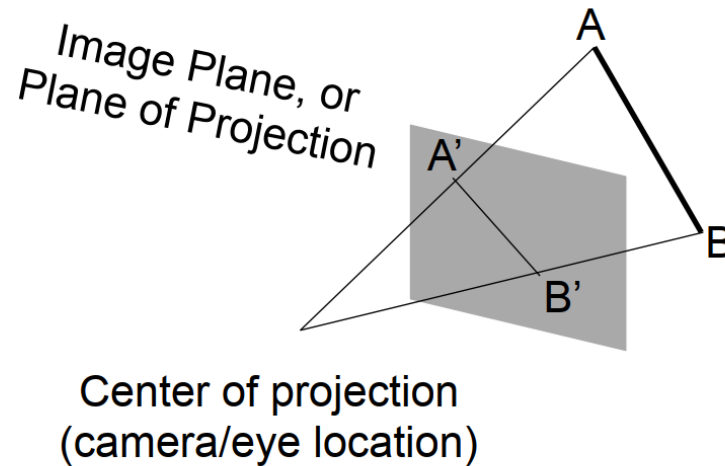


Scale



Perspective Projection

- Most common in Computer Graphics, art, visual system
- Further objects are smaller
- Parallel lines not parallel; converge to single point



Perspective Projection

- How to do perspective projection
 - First “squish” the frustum into a cuboid ($n \rightarrow n$, $f \rightarrow f$) ($M_{\text{persp} \rightarrow \text{ortho}}$)
 - Do orthographic projection (M_{ortho} , already known!)

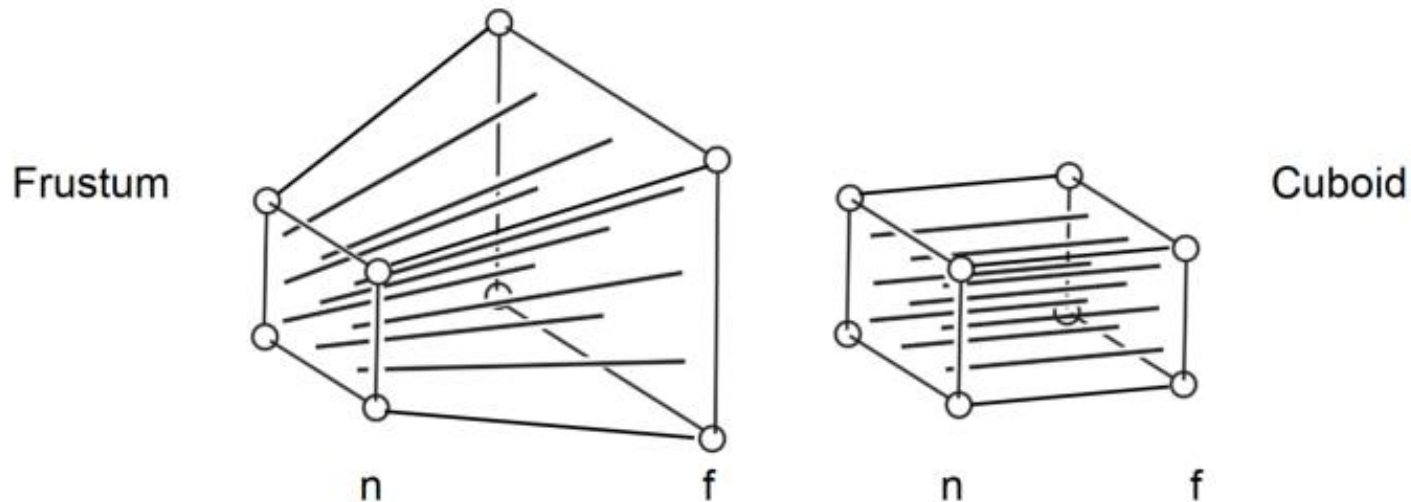
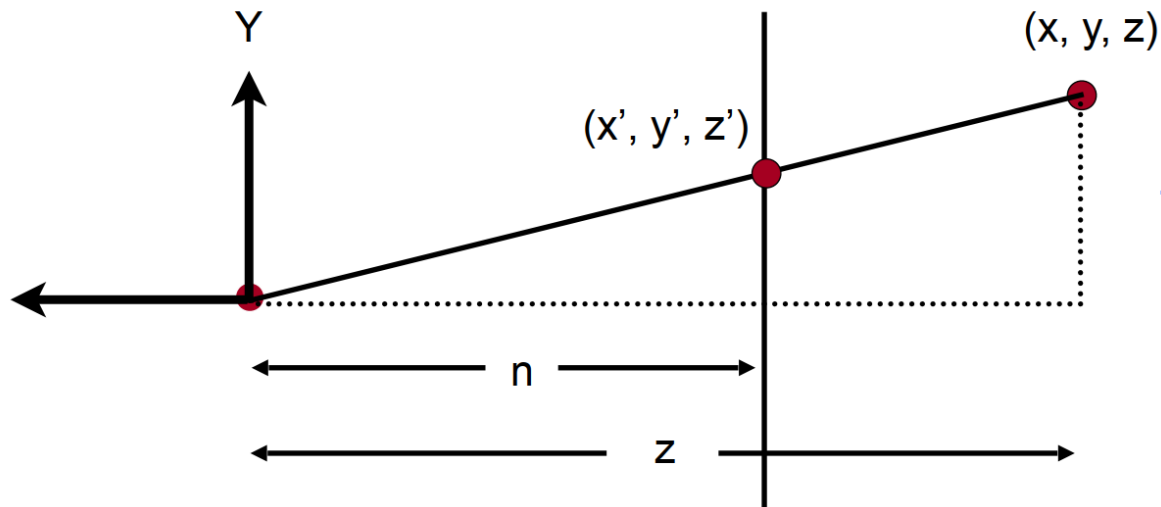


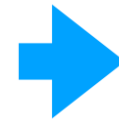
Fig. 7.13 from *Fundamentals of Computer Graphics, 4th Edition*

Perspective Projection

- In order to find a transformation
 - Recall the key idea: Find the relationship between transformed points (x', y', z') and the original points (x, y, z)



similar
triangle



$$y' = \frac{n}{z}y$$

$$\frac{y'}{n} = \frac{y}{z} \rightarrow y' = \frac{n}{z}y$$

Perspective Projection

- In order to find a transformation
 - Find the relationship between transformed points (x', y', z') and the original points (x, y, z)

$$y' = \frac{n}{z}y \quad x' = \frac{n}{z}x \text{ (similar to } y')$$

- This is clearly a **non-linear transformation**
- BUT: we can split it a linear transformation followed by a division



Perspective Projection

- Recall: property of homogeneous coordinates
 - $(x, y, z, 1)$, $(kx, ky, kz, k \neq 0)$, **$(xz, yz, z^2, z \neq 0)$** all represent the same point (x, y, z) in 3D
 - e.g. $(1, 0, 0, 1)$ and $(2, 0, 0, 2)$ both represent $(1, 0, 0)$
- Simple, but useful
- In homogeneous coordinates,

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} nx/z \\ ny/z \\ \text{unknown} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{mult. by } z} \begin{pmatrix} nx \\ ny \\ \text{still unknown} \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$



Perspective Projection

- So the “squish” (persp to ortho) projection does this

$$M_{persp \rightarrow ortho}^{(4 \times 4)} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} nx \\ ny \\ \text{unknown} \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

- Already good enough to figure out part of $M_{persp \rightarrow ortho}$

$$M_{persp \rightarrow ortho} = \begin{pmatrix} n & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & n & 0 & 0 \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{WHY?}$$

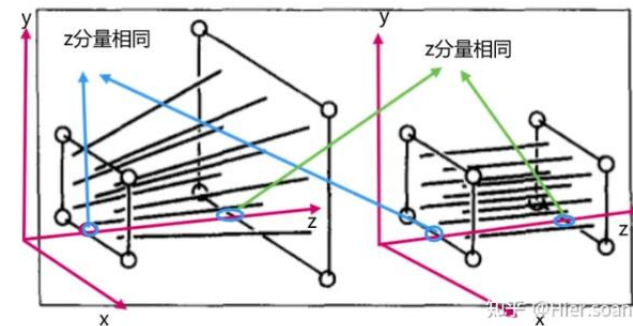


Perspective Projection

- How to figure out the third row of $M_{\text{persp} \rightarrow \text{ortho}}$
 - Any information that we can use?

$$M_{\text{persp} \rightarrow \text{ortho}} = \begin{pmatrix} n & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & n & 0 & 0 \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Observation: the third row is responsible for z'
 - Any point on the near plane will not change
 - Any point's z on the far plane will not change



Perspective Projection

- Any point on the near plane will not change

$$M_{persp \rightarrow ortho}^{(4 \times 4)} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} nx \\ ny \\ \text{unknown} \\ z \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{replace } z \text{ with } n} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ n \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ n \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} == \begin{pmatrix} nx \\ ny \\ n^2 \\ n \end{pmatrix}$$

- So the third row must be of the form (0 0 A B)

$$(0 \quad 0 \quad A \quad B) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ n \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = n^2 \quad \text{n}^2 \text{ has nothing to do with } x \text{ and } y$$



Perspective Projection

- What do we have now?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & A & B \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ n \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = n^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad An + B = n^2$$

- Any point's z on the far plane will not change

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ f \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ f \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} == \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ f^2 \\ f \end{pmatrix} \quad \Rightarrow \quad Af + B = f^2$$



Perspective Projection

- Solve for A and B

$$\begin{array}{l} An + B = n^2 \\ Af + B = f^2 \end{array} \quad \rightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} A = n + f \\ B = -nf \end{array}$$

- Finally, every entry in $M_{\text{persp} \rightarrow \text{ortho}}$ is known!

- What's next?

- Do orthographic projection (M_{ortho}) to finish
- $M_{\text{persp}} = M_{\text{ortho}} M_{\text{persp} \rightarrow \text{ortho}}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{2n}{r-l} & 0 & \frac{r+l}{r-l} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2n}{t-b} & \frac{t+b}{t-b} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{-(f+n)}{f-n} & \frac{-2fn}{f-n} \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{lll} l = \text{left} & b = \text{bottom} & n = \text{near} \\ r = \text{right} & t = \text{top} & f = \text{far} \end{array}$$



Perspective Projection

- Expressible with 4x4 homogeneous matrix
- Perspective division is nonlinear and results in non-uniform shortening
 - Objects far from the COP are projected to a much smaller size
- Perspective transformations are linear preserving, but not affine transformations
- Perspective projection is irreversible
 - many 3D points can be mapped to same (x, y, d) on the projection plane
 - no way to retrieve the unique z values



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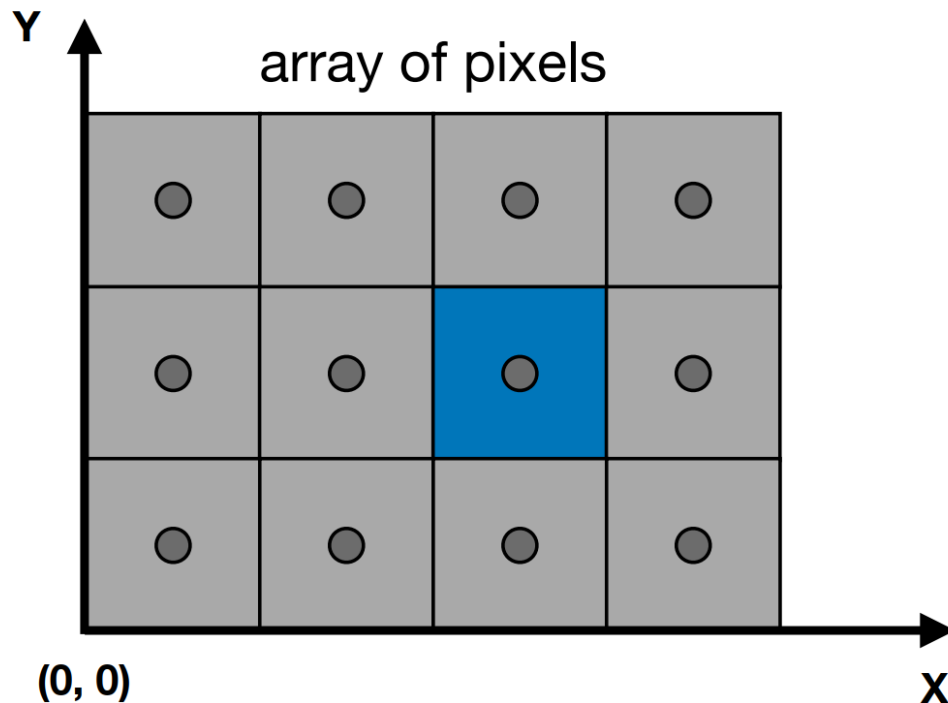
What's after MVP?

- **M**odel transformation (placing objects)
- **V**iew transformation (placing camera)
- **P**rojection transformation
 - Orthographic projection (cuboid to “canonical” cube $[-1, 1]^3$)
 - Perspective projection (frustum to “canonical” cube)
- Canonical cube to ?



Canonical Cube to Screen

- Defining the screen space



Pixels' indices are in the form of (x, y) , where both x and y are integers

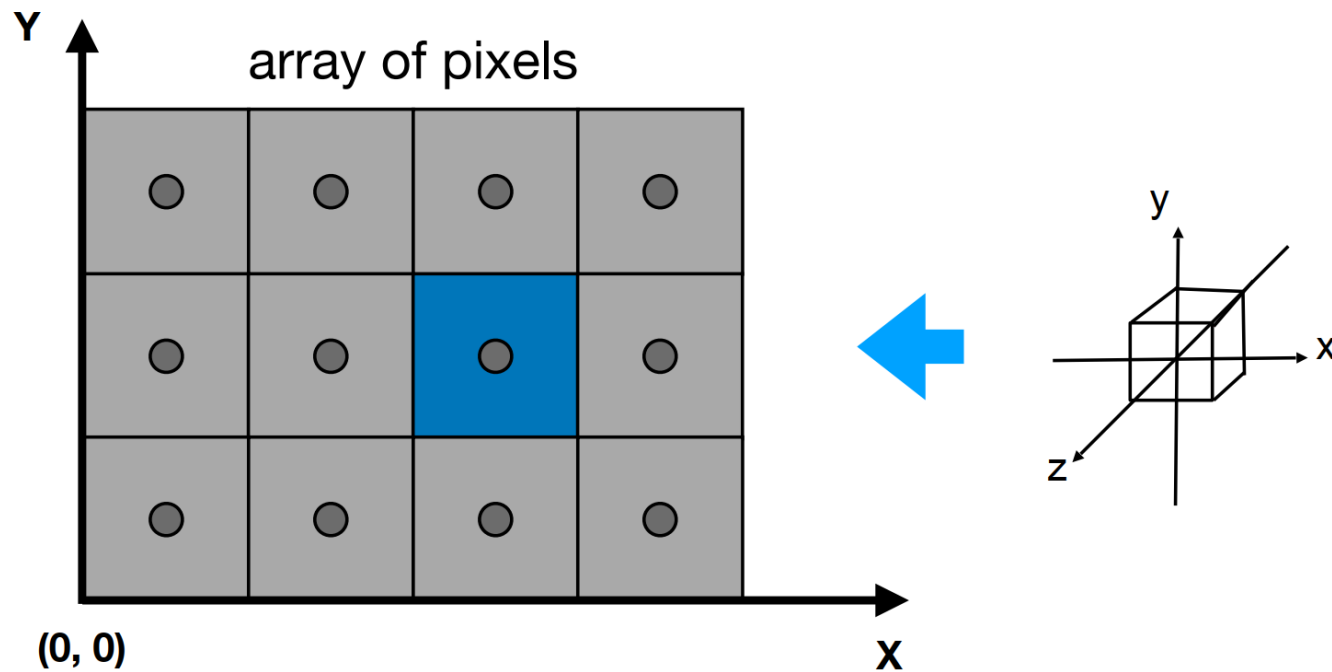
Pixels' indices are from $(0, 0)$ to $(\text{width} - 1, \text{height} - 1)$

Pixel (x, y) is centered at $(x + 0.5, y + 0.5)$

The screen covers range $(0, 0)$ to $(\text{width}, \text{height})$

Canonical Cube to Screen

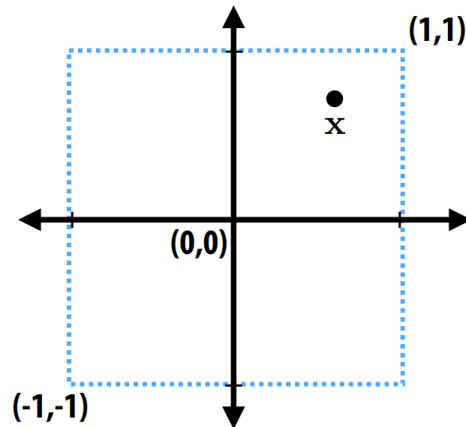
- Irrelevant to z
- Transform in xy plane: $[-1, 1]^2$ to $[0, \text{width}] \times [0, \text{height}]$



Window to Viewport Transformation

- Irrelevant to z
- Projection will take points to $[-1,1] \times [-1,1]$ on the $z = 1$ plane; transform into a $W \times H$ pixel image

“normalized device coordinates”



Step 1: reflect about x-axis

Step 2: translate by (1,1)

Step 3: scale by (W/2,H/2)



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Transformations from 3D Space to 2D Screen Space

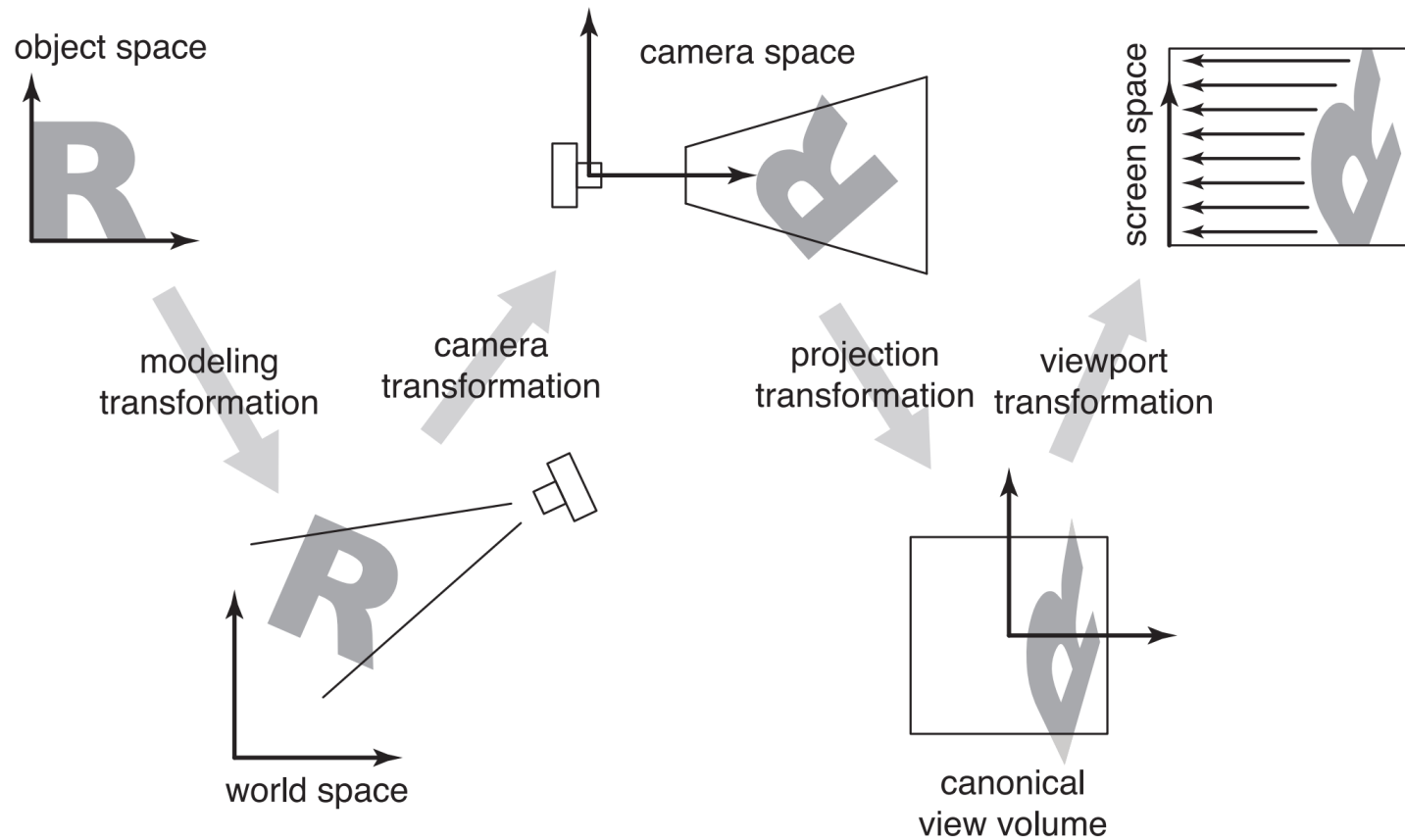


Figure 7.2. The sequence of spaces and transformations that gets objects from their original coordinates into screen space.

Homework 1

