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Projections

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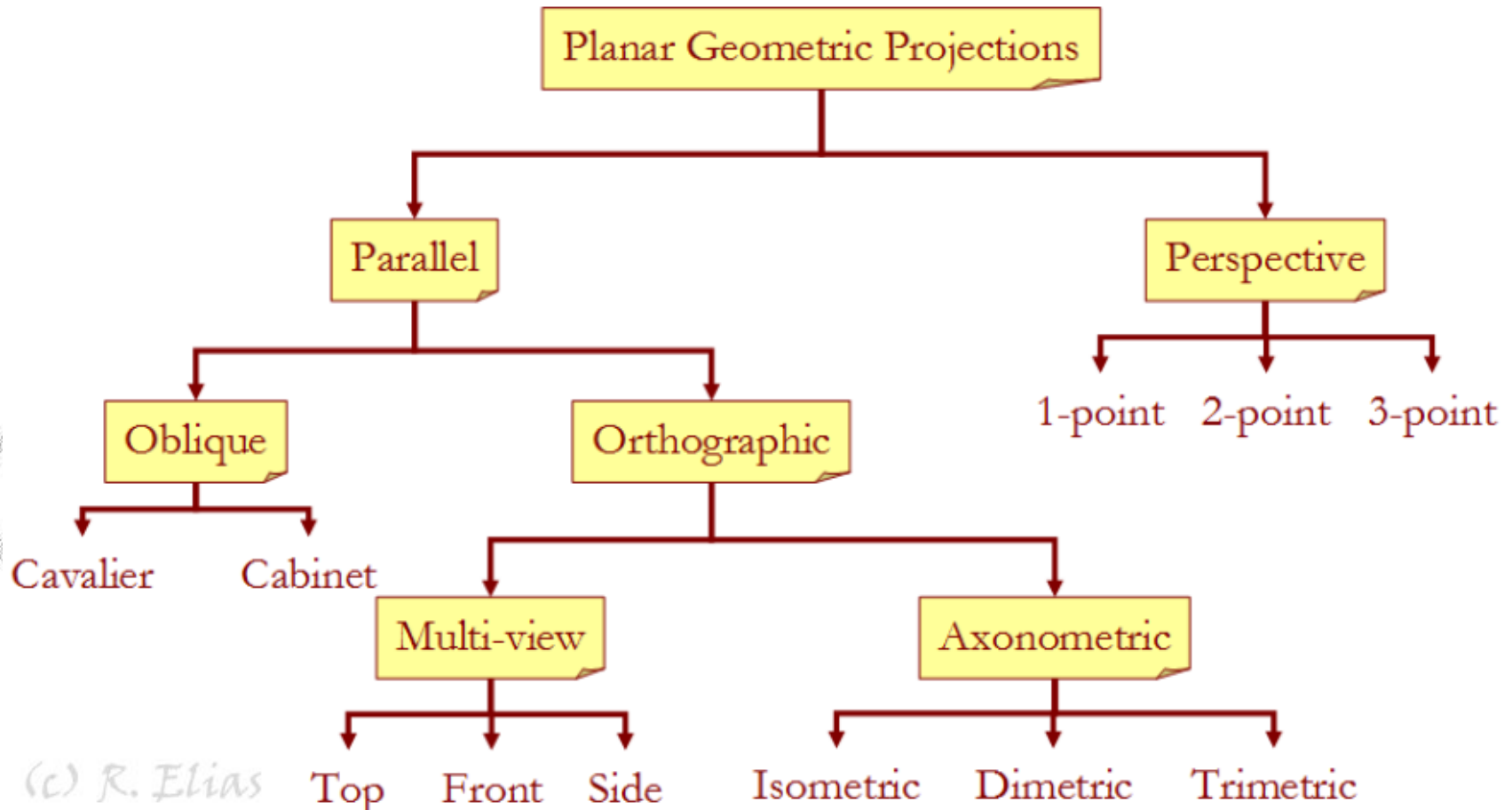for Computer Graphics

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Main Types of Projections

- Types of projections can be split into two main categories:
  - Planar projection
  - Non-planar projection
- The differences between them are in the type of viewing surface and the projectors.

| Type	Viewing surface	Projectors
Planar projection	Planar (view plane)	Straight lines
Non-planar projection	Curved	Curved

Subclasses of
Planar Geometric Projections

Parallel Projections

- Two main characteristics appear in **parallel projections**:
  1. The viewpoint or the center of projection is placed at infinity.
  2. Consequently, projectors are parallel to each other; hence comes the term "parallel projection"

- This results in a parallelepiped view volume.

- The proportions of an object (not necessarily the actual measurements) are maintained through parallel projections.
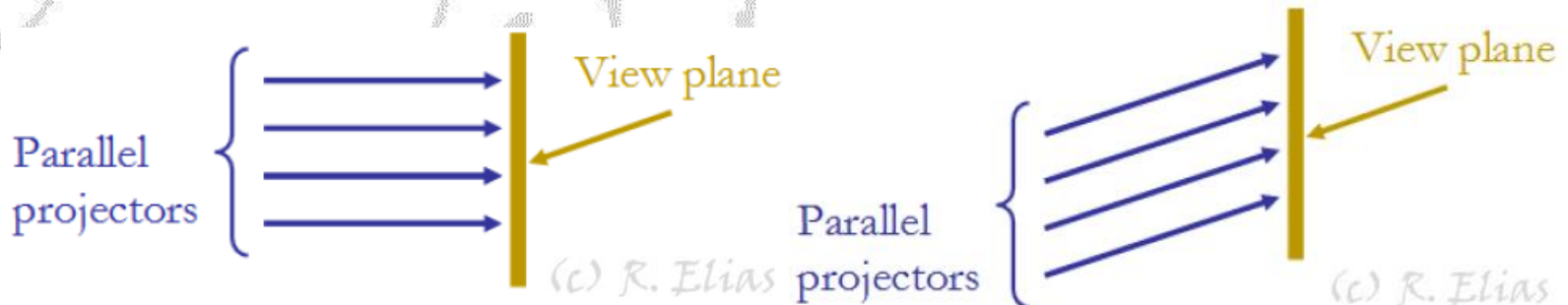
Orthographic Projections

- In **orthographic projections**, the projectors are:
  - Parallel to each other and
  - perpendicular to view plane.

Parallel projectors

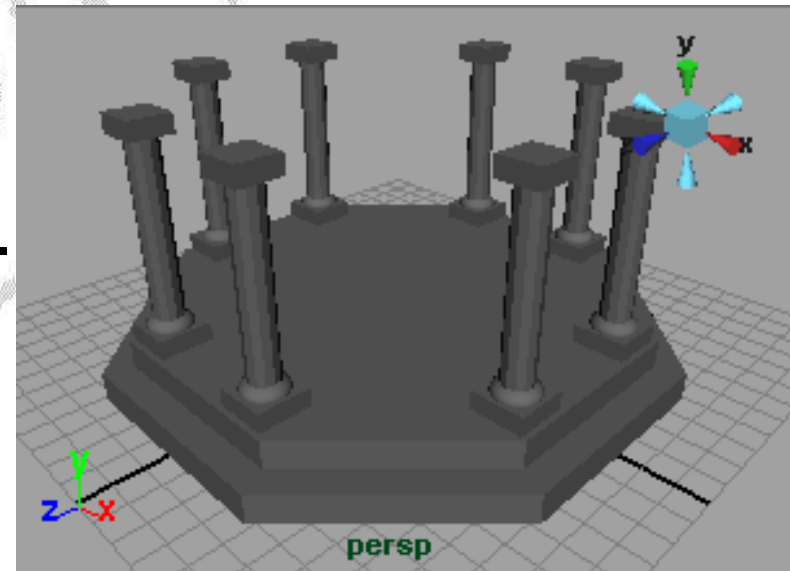View plane

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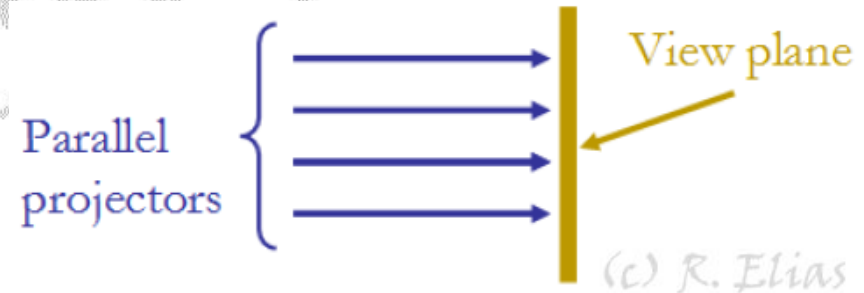
Depending on the normal to the view plane

- Orthographic projections are categorized as:
  - Multi-view or
  - Axonometric

Multi-view Projections

- They do not show the object as a 3D model.

- A multi-view projection may display a single face of a 3D model.

- Examples: top, front and side views.

- The view plane normal is parallel to one of the principal axes.

- They do preserve the dimensions and the angles. Thus, they are used in engineering and architectural drawings.
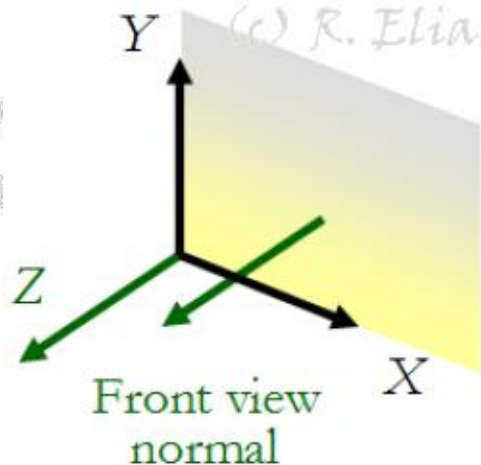

Perspective of a 3D model
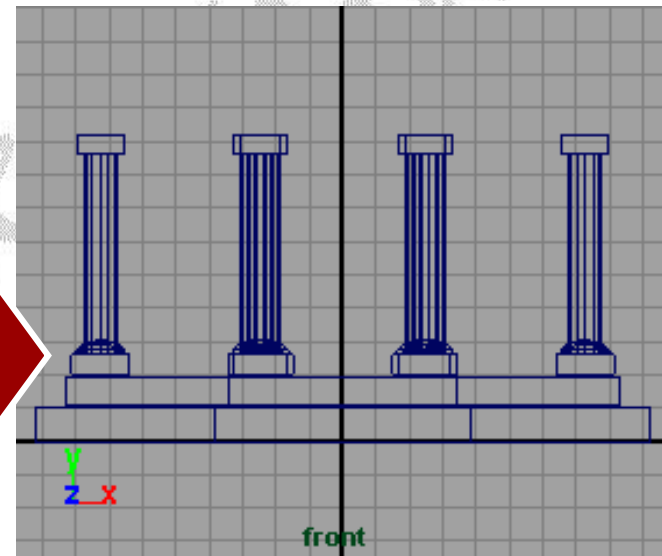(**not** a multi-view projection)

Multi-view Projections: Front View

- In a right-handed coordinate system where the y-axis points upwards, the front view normal is parallel to the positive z-axis. In other words, the view plane is parallel to the xy-plane.

- The z-coordinates are discarded and the x- and y-coordinates are mapped to the view plane.

Front view

Multi-view Projections: Front View

- We can estimate the location of a 3D point $[x, y, z]^T$ after front projection onto the xy-plane as

Inhomogeneous coordinates

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{P}'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{P}}$$

point after front projection

point before front projection

Homogeneous coordinates

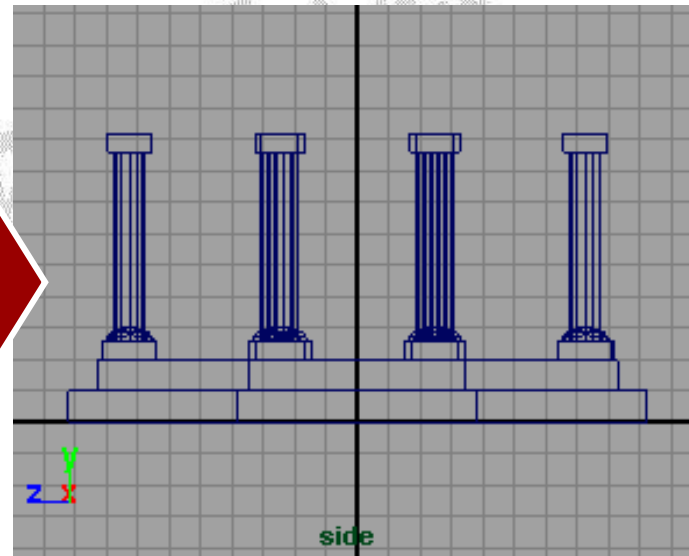$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{P'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{P}$$
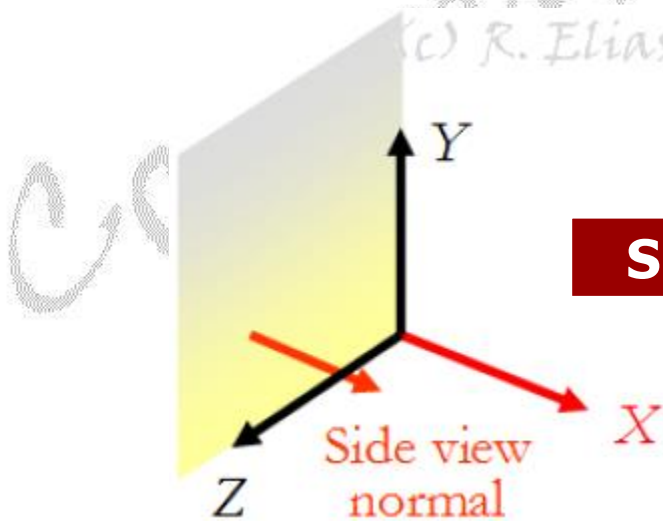
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Multi-view Projections: Side View

- In a right-handed coordinate system, the side view normal is parallel to the positive *x*-axis. In other words, the view plane is parallel to the *yz*-plane.

- The *x*-coordinates are discarded and the *y*- and *z*-coordinates are mapped to the view plane.

Side view

Multi-view Projections: Side View

- We can estimate the location of a 3D point $[x, y, z]^T$ after side projection onto the yz-plane as

Inhomogeneous coordinates

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$\dot{P}'$ $\dot{P}$

point after side projection

point before side projection

Homogeneous coordinates

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{P}'$ $\mathbf{P}$

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Multi-view Projections: Top View

- In a right-handed coordinate system, the top view normal is parallel to the positive *y*-axis. In other words, the view plane is parallel to the *zx*-plane.

- The *y*-coordinates are discarded and the *z*- and *x*-coordinates are mapped to the view plane.

Top view

Multi-view Projections: Top View

- We can estimate the location of a 3D point $[x, y, z]^T$ after top projection onto the zx-plane as

Inhomogeneous coordinates

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ 0 \\ z' \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{\mathbf{P}}'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{\mathbf{P}}}$$

point after top projection

point before top projection

Homogeneous coordinates

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ 0 \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}}$$
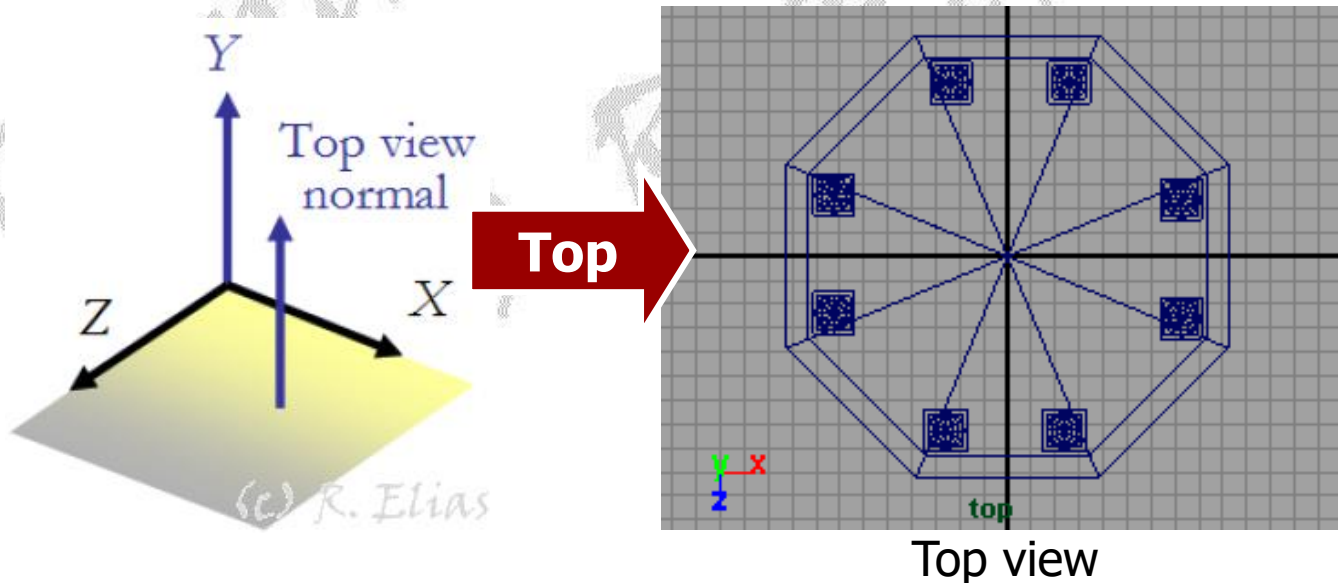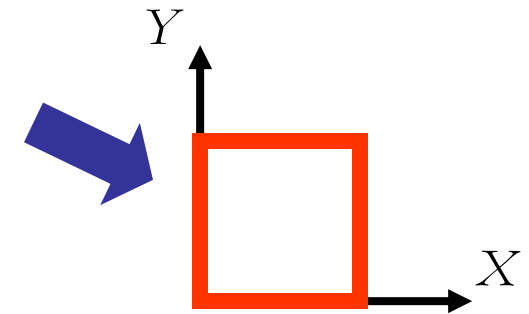
Projections

Axonometric Projections

- In **axonometric projection**, the view plane normal is placed in any direction such that the three axes may be visible.

- In this case, the view plane should intersect *at least* **two** of the principal axes.

- If the view plane normal is placed parallel to *one* principal axis, the projection turns to a multi-view projection.
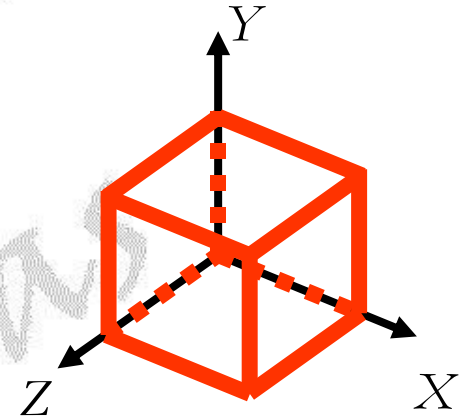
Axonometric Projections
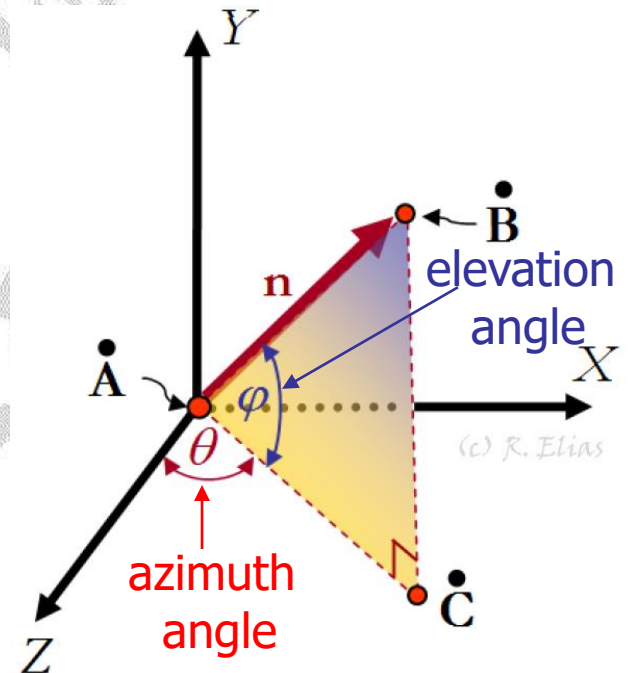
- In an axonometric projection:
  - Parallel lines remain parallel after projection.

  - In addition:
    - If a line is parallel to the view plane:
      - Line length is preserved.
    - If a line is not parallel to the view plane:
      - Line proportions (not lengths) are maintained.
      - Equal lengths of parallel lines will be foreshortened equally.

Axonometric Projections

- The axonometric projection matrix can be obtained by rotating the normal vector **n** to coincide with the *z*-axis; hence, the front projection matrix can be used.

  1. Rotate through an angle $-\theta$ about the *y*-axis.

  2. Rotate through an angle φ about the *x*-axis.

  3. Use the front view projection matrix.

Axonometric Projections

③ Project ② Rotate ① Rotate

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{P}'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\varphi) & -\sin(\varphi) \\ 0 & \sin(\varphi) & \cos(\varphi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & -\sin(\theta) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & -\sin(\theta) \\ -\sin(\varphi)\sin(\theta) & \cos(\varphi) & -\sin(\varphi)\cos(\theta) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{P}}$$

Axonometric projection matrix

Inhomogeneous coordinates

Axonometric Projections

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P'}} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ -\sin(\varphi)\sin(\theta) & \cos(\varphi) & -\sin(\varphi)\cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}}$$

Axonometric projection matrix

Homogeneous coordinates

Axonometric Projections: An Example

Example: When omitting the front view projection, estimate the projection matrix in this case for inhomogeneous points.

Answer:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{\mathbf{P}}'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\varphi) & -\sin(\varphi) \\ 0 & \sin(\varphi) & \cos(\varphi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & -\sin(\theta) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & -\sin(\theta) \\ -\sin(\varphi)\sin(\theta) & \cos(\varphi) & -\sin(\varphi)\cos(\theta) \\ \cos(\varphi)\sin(\theta) & \sin(\varphi) & \cos(\varphi)\cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{\mathbf{P}}}$$

Inhomogeneous coordinates

Isometric Projection

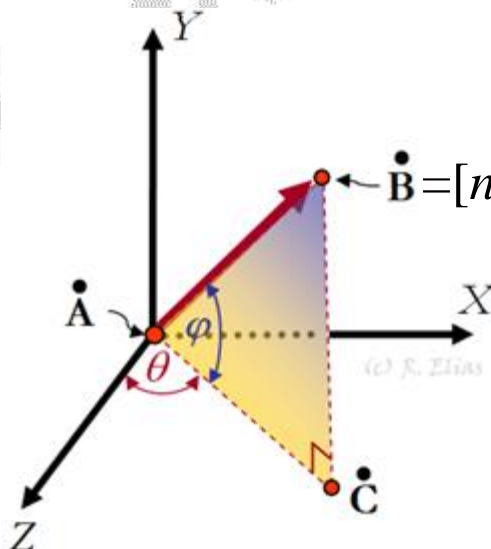- In **isometric projection**, the view plane normal makes equal angles with the three principal axes.

- The angles between the projection of the *x-*, *y-*, and *z-* axes are all the same, or 120˚.

- The normal **n** is expressed as:

$$\mathbf{n} = [x_n, y_n, z_n]^T \quad \text{such that} \quad |x_n| = |y_n| = |z_n|$$

- This restricts the view plane to only 8 directions; one for each octant.
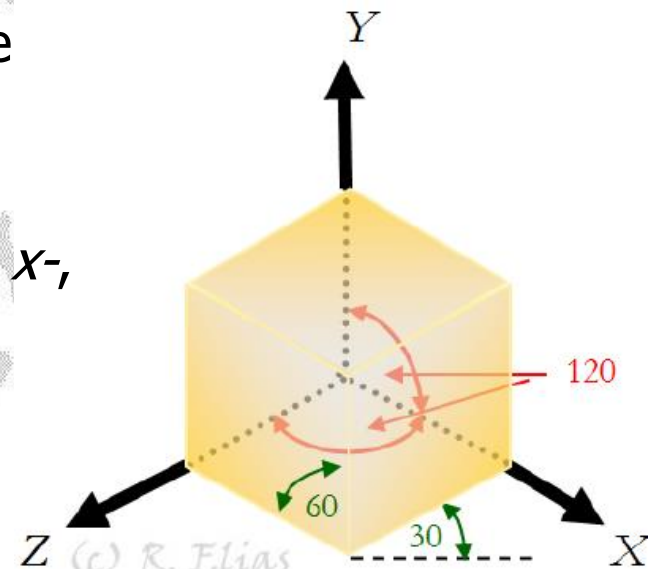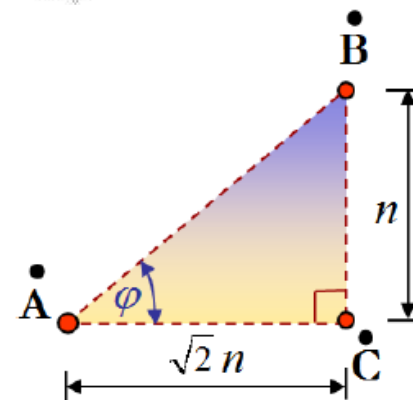
Isometric Projection

- Isometric projection properties:
  - Parallel lines remain parallel.
  - Vertical lines remain vertical.
  - Horizontal lines are drawn at 30° to the horizontal.
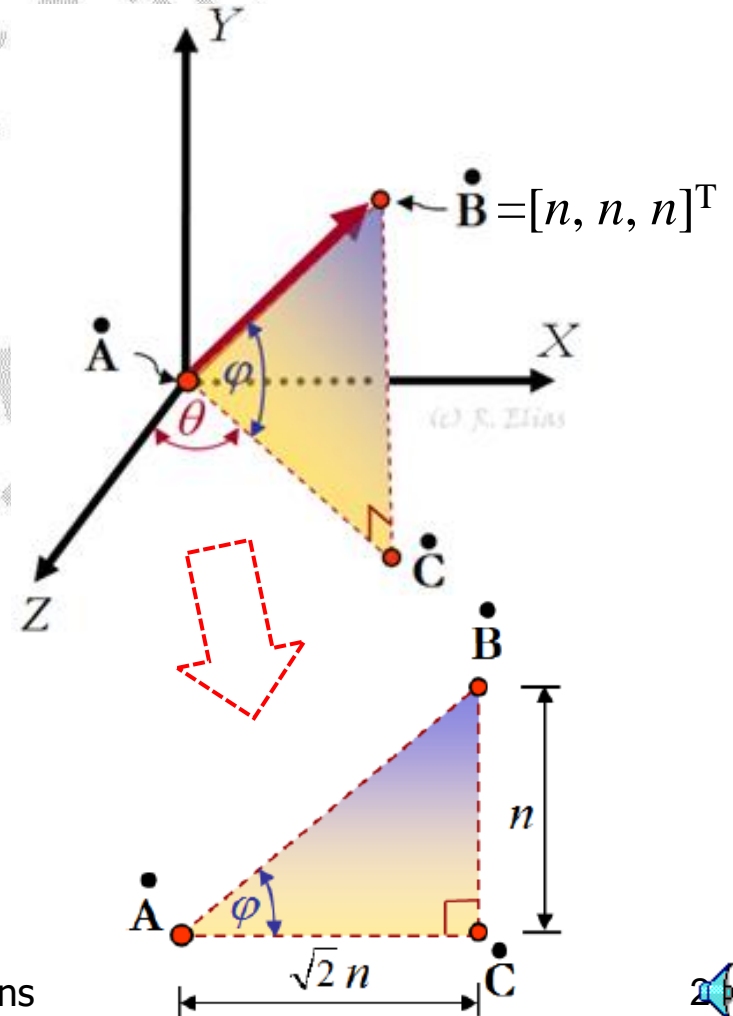 - Line lengths are preserved or scaled equally along each axis.

Isometric Projection: What are the Angles θ and φ?

- Assuming that the normal vector to the view plane is $[n, n, n]^T$:

  - the azimuth angle θ must be 45°.

  - the elevation angle φ is estimated as

$$\varphi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{n}{\sqrt{2}n}\right) = 35.2644°$$

Isometric Projection: An Example

Example: Based on the previous angle values, estimate the isometric projection matrix for the octant where the x-, y- and z- coordinates are all positive.

Answer:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & -\sin(\theta) \\ -\sin(\varphi)\sin(\theta) & \cos(\varphi) & -\sin(\varphi)\cos(\theta) \\ \cos(\varphi)\sin(\theta) & \sin(\varphi) & \cos(\varphi)\cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(45) & 0 & -\sin(45) \\ -\sin(35.2644)\sin(45) & \cos(35.2644) & -\sin(35.2644)\cos(45) \\ \cos(35.2644)\sin(45) & \sin(35.2644) & \cos(35.2644)\cos(45) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Inhomogeneous coordinates

Dimetric Projection

- In **dimetric projection**, the view plane normal makes equal angles with only two of the principal axes.

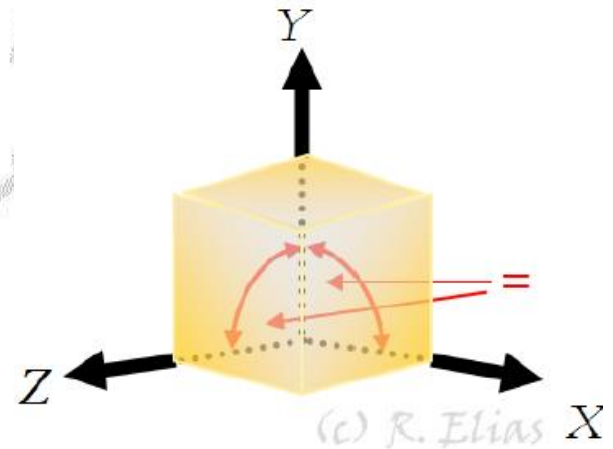- Consequently, two of the angles enclosed between the projections of the principal axes are equal.

- If the normal **n** is expressed as:

$$\mathbf{n} = [x_n, y_n, z_n]^T$$

- then

$$x_n = |y_n| \text{ or } x_n = |z_n| \text{ or } y_n = |z_n|$$

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- Parallel lines remain parallel and their lengths are preserved or scaled equally along the two equally foreshortened axes.

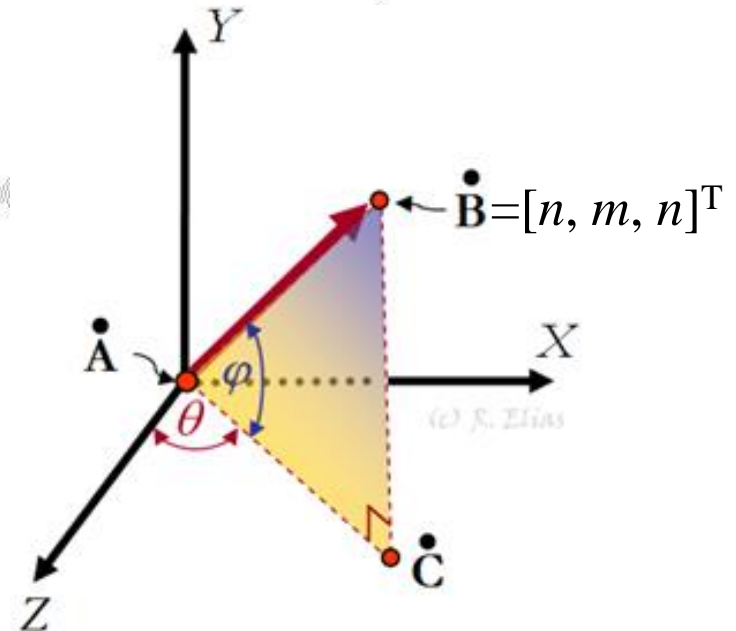# Dimetric Projection: An Example

- **Example:** Assuming that the normal vector to the view plane is $[n, m, n]^T$, determine the values of the azimuth and elevation angles (i.e., θ and φ).

- **Answer:**
  - The azimuth angle θ must be 45°.
  - The elevation angle φ is estimated as

$$\varphi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{m}{\sqrt{2}n}\right).$$

$\mathbf{B} = [n, m, n]^T$

Trimetric Projection

- In **trimetric projection**, the view plane normal makes different angles with the three principal axes.

- No two components of **n** have the same value.

- None of the angles enclosed between the projections of the principal axes are equal.

- Lines are scaled differently along principal axes.

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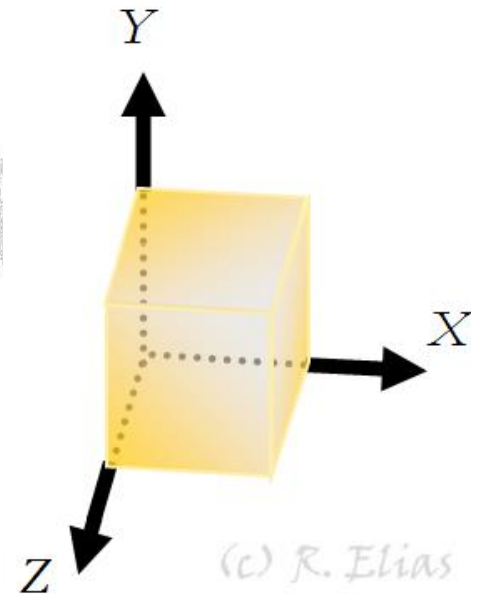
Oblique Projections

- In **oblique projections**, the projectors are:
  - Parallel to each other but
  - **NOT perpendicular** to view plane.

- Similar to axonometric projections, oblique projections present 3D models.
- Similar to multi-view projections, oblique projections displays the exact shapes of faces parallel to the view plane.
- Oblique projections are categorized as:
  - Cavalier or
  - Cabinet
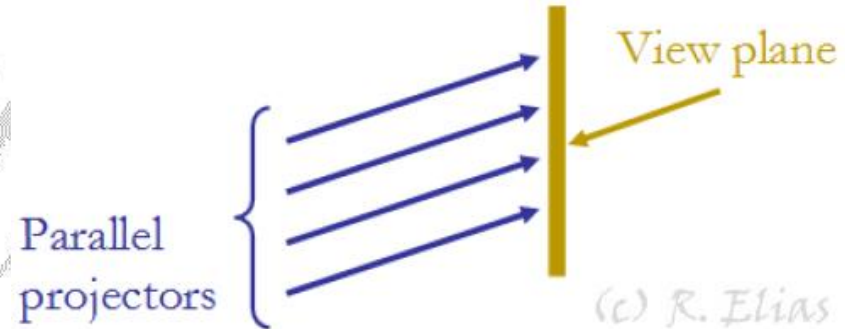
Oblique Projections

How is oblique projection achieved?

- Consider a 3D point $[x,y,z]^T$ and a view plane.

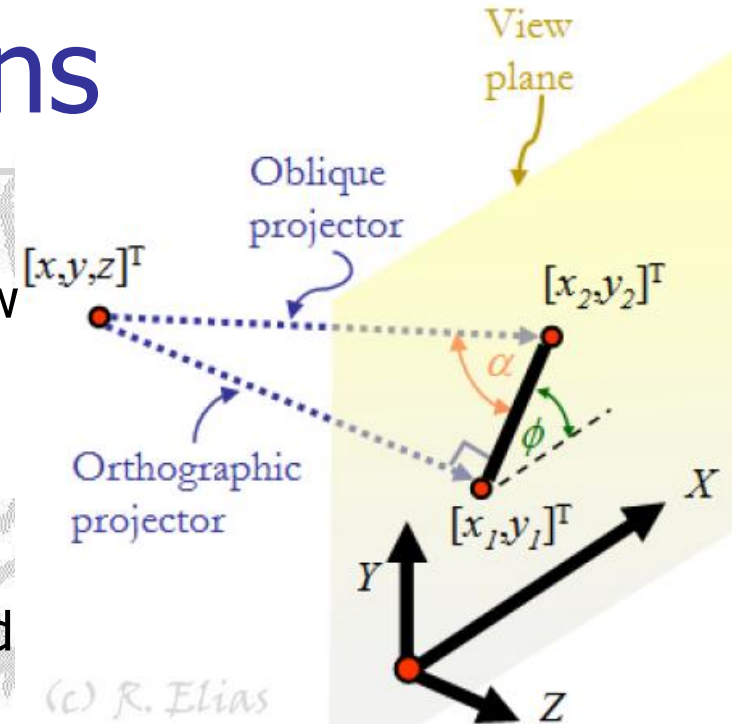- If the point is orthographically projected (i.e., the projectors make an angle of 90˚ with the view plane) onto the plane, the location of the projected point will appear at point $[x_1, y_1]^T$.

- Alternatively, if the projectors form another angle with the plane, the projected point will reside at another location $[x_2, y_2]^T$ on this plane.

- The angle α between the oblique projector and the line connecting $[x_1, y_1]^T$ and $[x_2, y_2]^T$ determines the category of the oblique projection (i.e., cavalier or cabinet).

Cavalier Projection

- The projection is a **cavalier projection** when $\alpha = 45^\circ$.

- Consider a cube with faces parallel to the principal planes in the world coordinate system.

- One face (parallel to the view plane) will be orthographically projected as in multi-view projections.

- The lines perpendicular to that face will maintain their actual lengths since $\tan(\alpha) = 1$.

- However, it does not seem to be a real 3D model!

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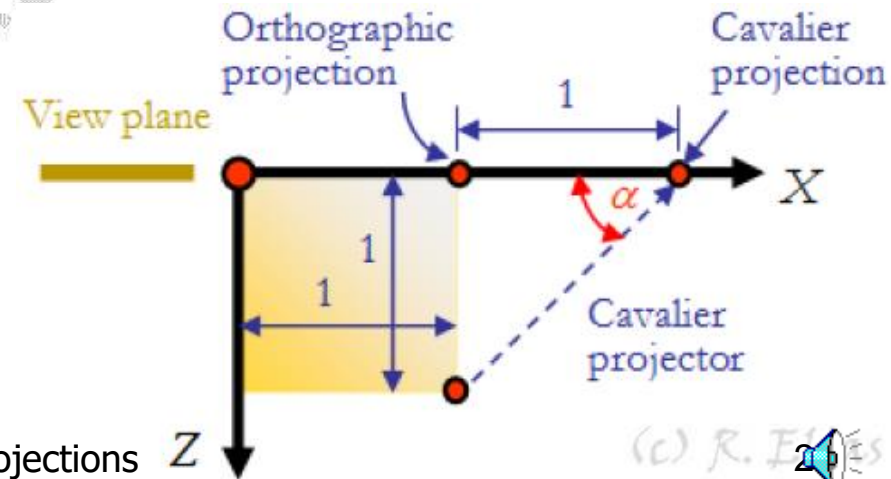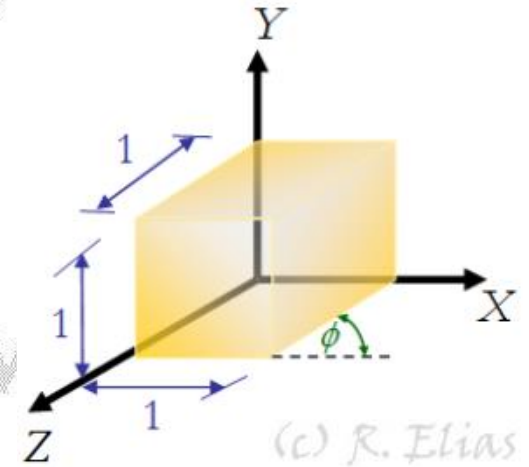
Cavalier Projection

The location of $[x, y, z]^T$ after cavalier projection onto the xy-plane:

Inhomogeneous coordinates

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{P}'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cos(\phi) \\ 0 & 1 & \sin(\phi) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{P}}$$

point after projection

Cavalier projection matrices

point before projection

Homogeneous coordinates

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{P'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cos(\phi) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \sin(\phi) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{P}$$

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Cabinet Projection

The projection is a **cabinet projection** if $\alpha = 63.4^{\circ}$.

Unlike the previous case, lines perpendicular to the view plane are displayed at one-half of their actual lengths since $\tan(\alpha) = 2$.

It does seem to be a real 3D model!

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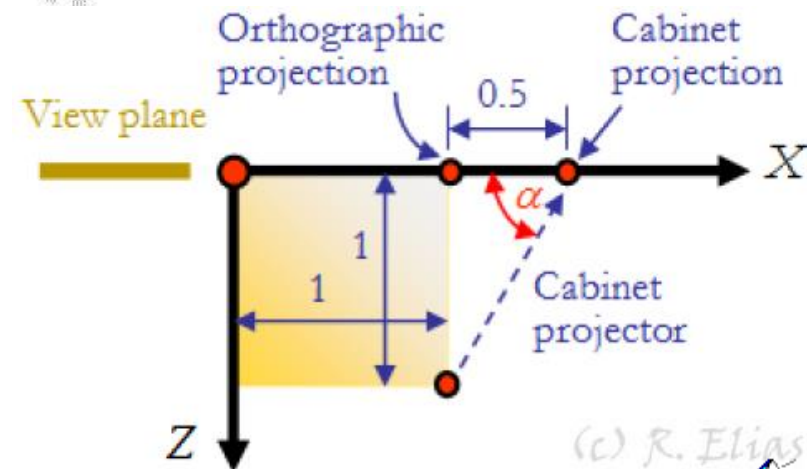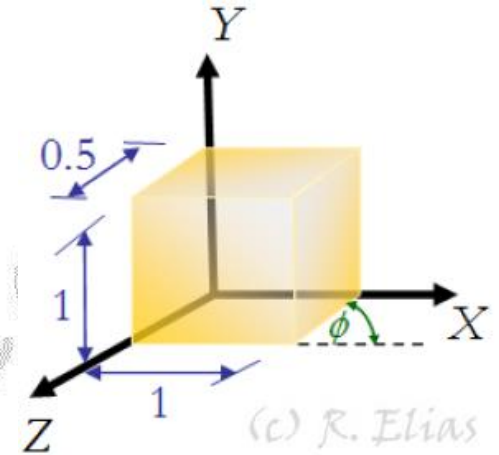
Cabinet Projection

The location of $[x, y, z]^T$ after cabinet projection onto the xy-plane:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2}\cos(\phi) \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2}\sin(\phi) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{P'} \qquad\qquad \dot{P}$$

Inhomogeneous coordinates

Cabinet projection matrices

point after projection

point before projection

Homogeneous coordinates

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2}\cos(\phi) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2}\sin(\phi) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P' \qquad\qquad\qquad\qquad P$$

Oblique Projections: An Example

- **Example:** Consider a cube whose faces are parallel to the three principal planes. If an oblique projection is applied to this cube such that the view plane is parallel to the *xy*-plane, one face of the cube that is parallel to the view plane is orthographically projected.

- The lines perpendicular to that face maintain their actual lengths if α = 45° in case of cavalier projection. The same lines may be displayed at one-half of their actual lengths if α = 63.4° in case of cabinet projection.

- What would the value of angle α be if those lines are to be projected at 0.75 of their actual lengths?

Oblique Projections: An Example

- **Answer:**

- Consider the triangle shown whose vertices are
  1. the 3D point
  2. its orthographic projection
  3. its oblique projection.

- The angle α is obtained as

Orthographic projection

0.75

α

Oblique projection

1

3D point

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$$\alpha = \cot^{-1}(0.75) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = 53.1301°$$
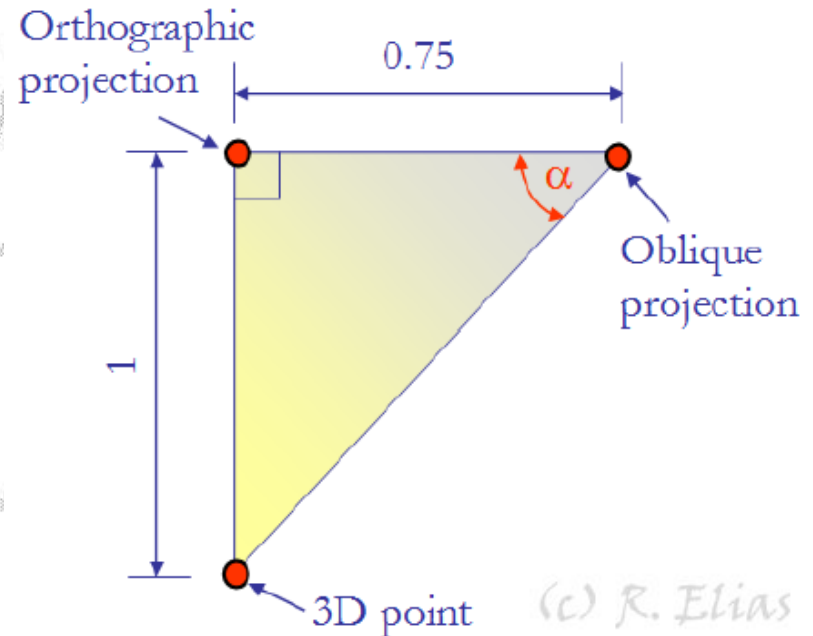
Perspective Projections

- **Perspective projections** represent the 2nd subclass of planar geometric projections.

- The two main characteristics appearing in **perspective projections** are:
    - The viewpoint or the center of projection (COP) is placed at a finite distance from the view plane.
    - Consequently, projectors are **NOT parallel** to each other as in case of parallel projections.

- This results in a pyramidal view volume.
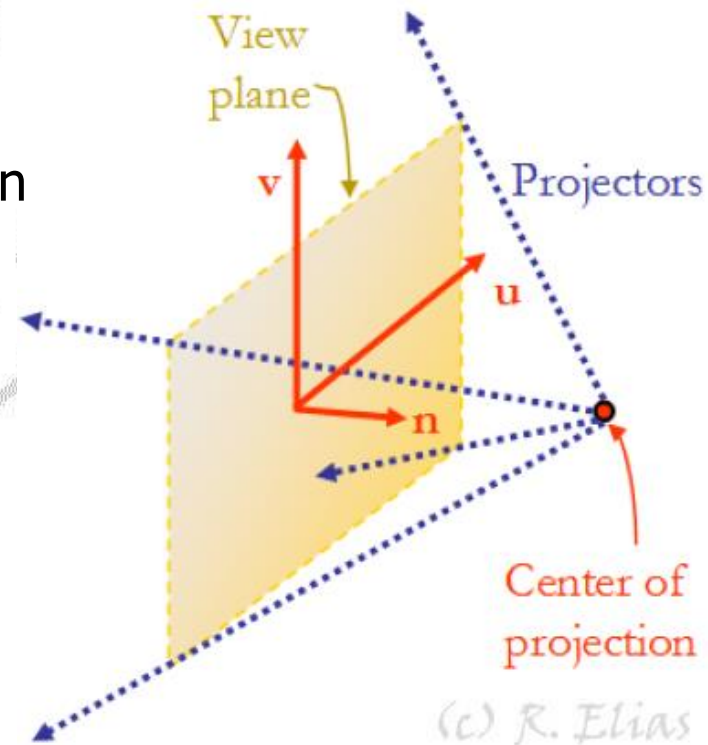
Perspective Projections

- In this class of projections, lines not parallel to the view plane converge to a distant point (called a *vanishing point*).

- Objects far from the center of projection appear smaller comparing to identical objects closer to the center of projection.

- This gives a more realistic look!

Source: Google images

Perspective Projections: Categories

- Perspective projections can be categorized into:
  - One-point projections.
  - Two-point projections.
  - Three-point projections.

- The differences between these categories are in the orientation of the view plane and the number of vanishing points.

> **The terms one-, two- and three-point perspective projections do not mean that the exact numbers of vanishing points in these projections are one, two and three points respectively.**

One-point Perspective Projection

- **One-point perspective** exists when the view plane is parallel to two principal axes (x- and y-axes in the figure shown).

- In this case:

  - The view plane intersects the z-axis.

  - The normal to the view plane is parallel to the z-axis.

  - Two components of the view plane normal **n** are zeros.

  - Lines parallel to the view plane will be orthographically projected as a multi-view projection.

  - Lines parallel to the 3rd axis (which is parallel to the view plane normal) converge to a single vanishing point.

One-point Perspective Projection

- Considering similar triangles:

$$\frac{x'}{d} = \frac{x}{z}$$
$$\frac{y'}{d} = \frac{y}{z}$$

View plane

$[x,y,z]^\mathrm{T}$

$[x',y',d]^\mathrm{T}$

Center of projection

d

Center of projection

$[x',y',d]^\mathrm{T}$

View plane

$[x,y,z]^\mathrm{T}$

X

$[x',y',d]^\mathrm{T}$

$[x,y,z]^\mathrm{T}$

x'

x

Z

Center of projection

d

z

Z

Center of projection

y'

y

$[x',y',d]^\mathrm{T}$

$[x,y,z]^\mathrm{T}$

View plane

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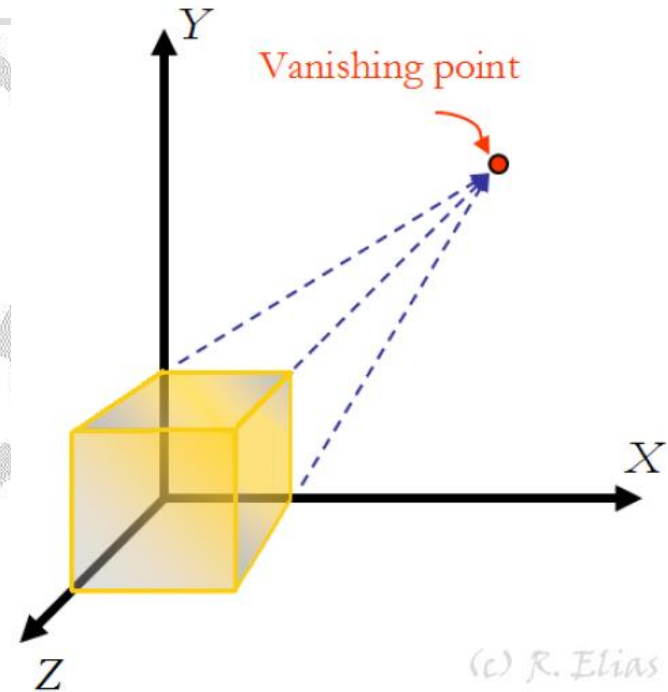
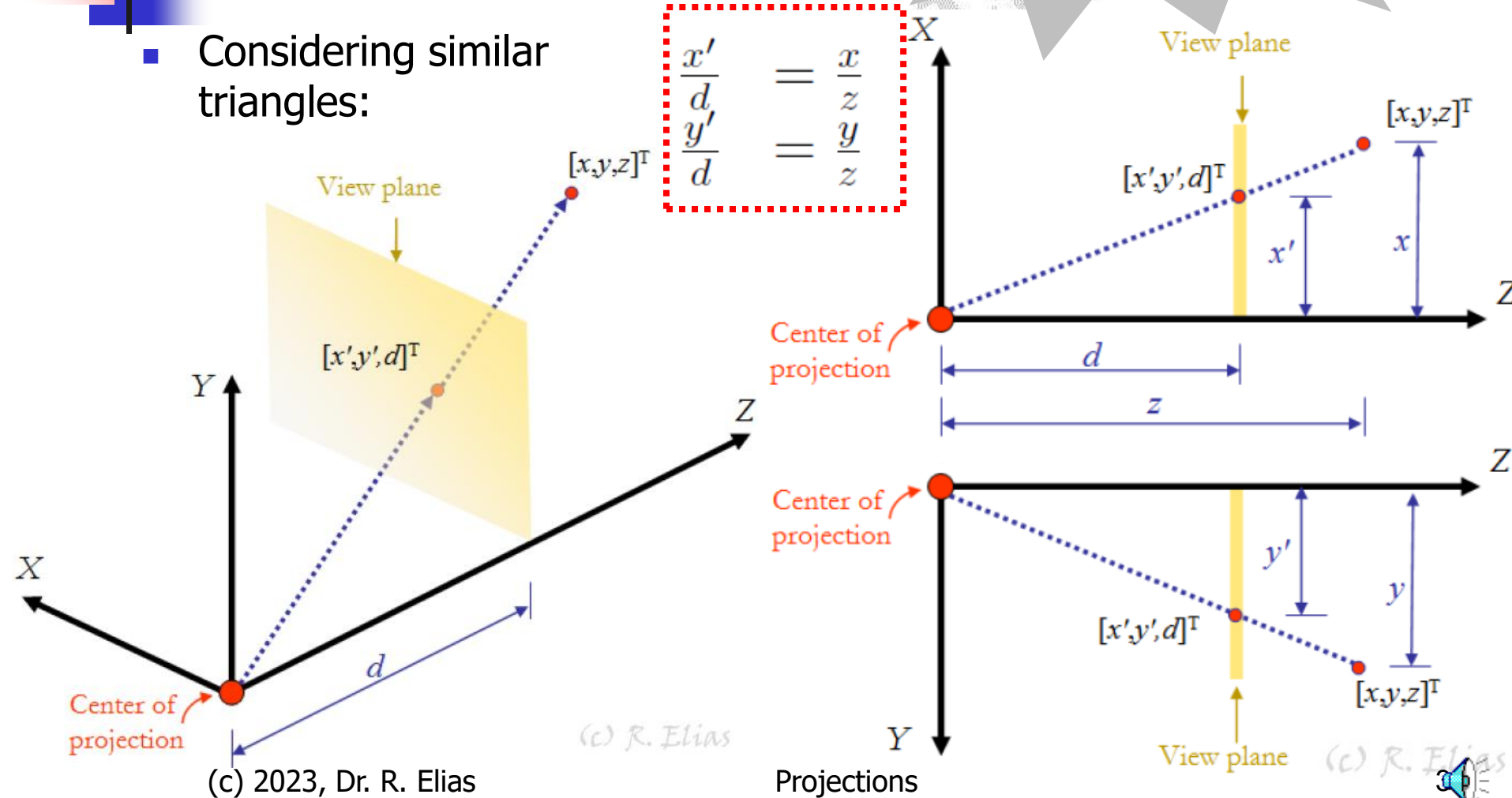# One-point Perspective Projection

COP is at the origin and view plane is at $z=d$

$$\frac{x'}{d} = \frac{x}{z}$$
$$\frac{y'}{d} = \frac{y}{z}$$

$\equiv$

$$x' = \frac{x}{z/d},$$
$$y' = \frac{y}{z/d}.$$

- Thus

One-point perspective projection matrix

$$\mathbf{P'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{d} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ \frac{z}{d} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underbrace{\phantom{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{d} & 0 \end{bmatrix}}}_{\mathbf{P}_{per}} \underbrace{\phantom{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}}_{\mathbf{P}}$$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x}{z/d} \\ \frac{y}{z/d} \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underbrace{\phantom{\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix}}}_{\dot{\mathbf{P}}'}$$

One-point Perspective Projection

- Considering similar triangles:

$$\frac{x'}{d} = \frac{x}{z+d}$$
$$\frac{y'}{d} = \frac{y}{z+d}$$

$[x,y,z]^T$

View plane

$[x',y',d]^T$

Y

X

Z

Center of projection

d

X

View plane

$[x',y',d]^T$

$[x,y,z]^T$

x'

x

Z

Center of projection

d

z

Center of projection

y'

y

$[x',y',d]^T$

View plane

$[x,y,z]^T$

Z

Y
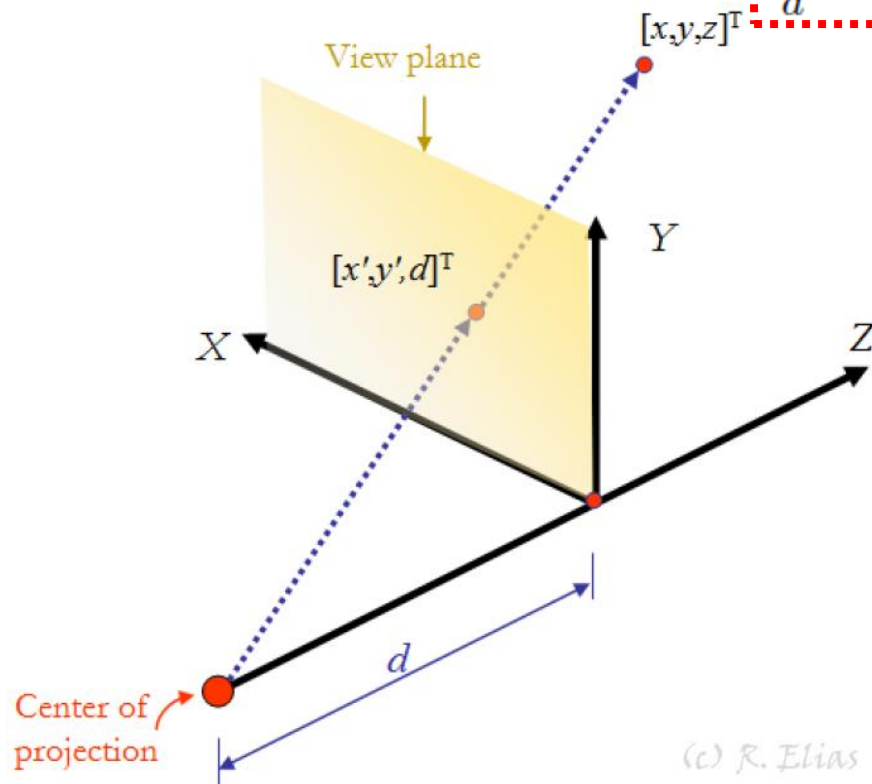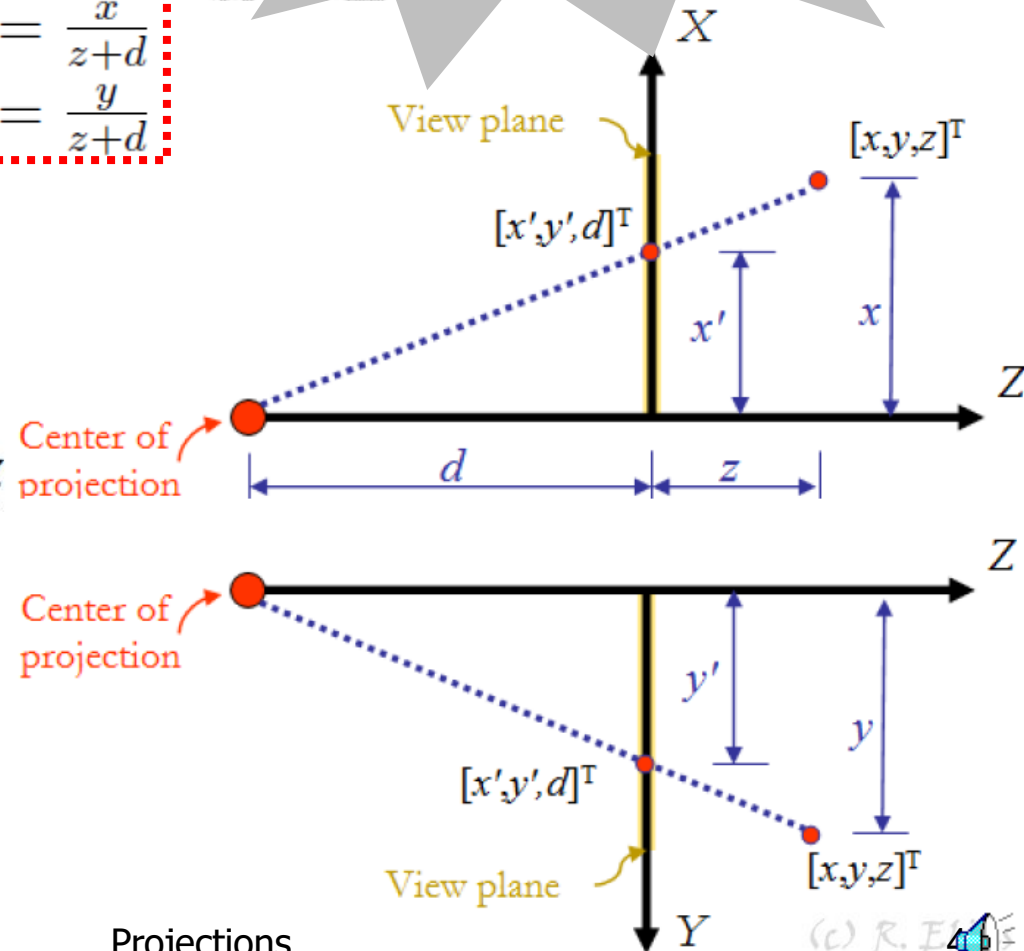
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One-point Perspective Projection

$$\frac{x'}{d} = \frac{x}{z+d}$$
$$\frac{y'}{d} = \frac{y}{z+d}$$

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$$x' = \frac{x}{(z/d)+1}$$
$$y' = \frac{y}{(z/d)+1}$$

one-point perspective projection matrix

- Thus

$$\mathbf{P'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{d} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \\ \frac{z+d}{d} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{\qquad}_{\mathbf{P'_{per}}}$ $\underbrace{\quad}_{\mathbf{P}}$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x}{(z/d)+1} \\ \frac{y}{(z/d)+1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{\qquad}_{\dot{\mathbf{P}}'}$

Two-point Perspective Projection

- **Two-point perspective** exists when the view plane is parallel to a principal axis (y-axis in the figure shown).

- In this case:
  - The view plane intersects the x- and z-axes.
  - The normal to the view plane is perpendicular to the y-axis.
  - One component of the view plane normal **n** is zero.
  - Lines parallel to the y-axis remain parallel to this axis.
  - Lines parallel to the other two axes converge to two different vanishing points.
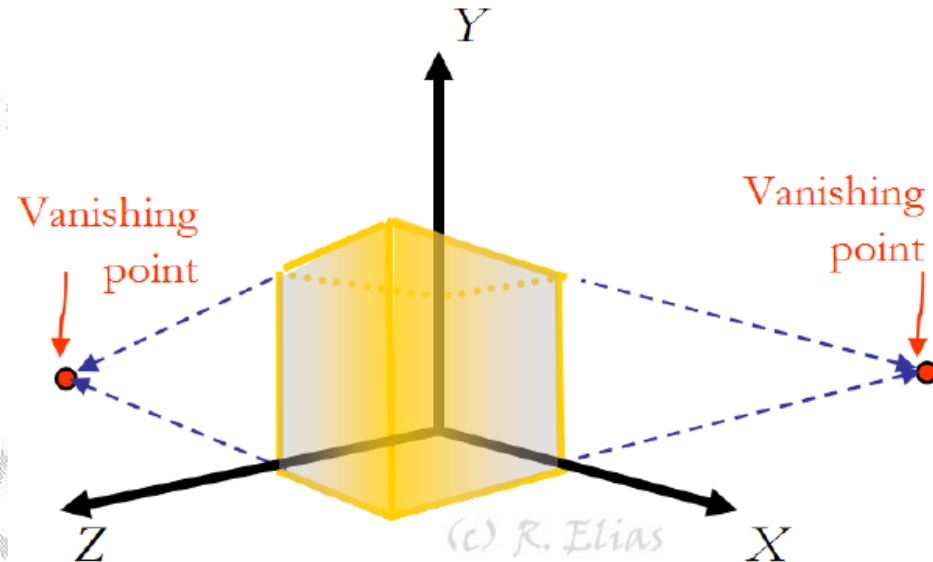
Two-point Perspective Projection

- When
  - the center of projection is at the origin and
  - the normal to the view plane makes an angle θ with the yz-plane,

- the overall two-point perspective projection process can be achieved in three steps.
  1. Rotate through an angle $-\theta$ about the y-axis so that the normal to the view plane coincides with the z-axis.
  2. Perform a one-point perspective projection.
  3. Rotate back through an angle θ about the y-axis.
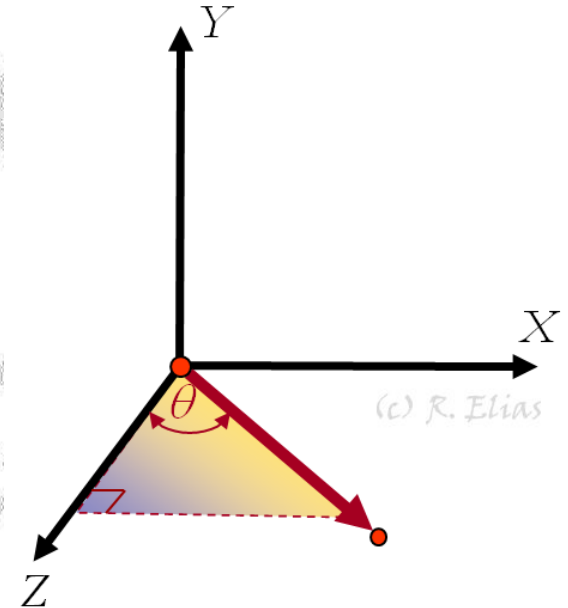
Two-point Perspective Projection

$$M_1 = R_y(-\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_2 = P_{per} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{d} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_3 = R_y(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & \sin(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The two-point perspective projection matrix

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\begin{aligned}
P_{per2} &= M_3 M_2 M_1 \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & \sin(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{d} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{\sin(\theta)}{d} & 0 & \frac{\cos(\theta)}{d} & 0 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}
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Three-point Perspective Projection

- **Three-point perspective** exists when the view plane is not parallel to any of the principal axes.

- In this case:
  - The view plane intersects all three axes.
  - No component in the view plane normal **n** is zero.
  - Lines parallel to the three principal axes converge to three different vanishing points.
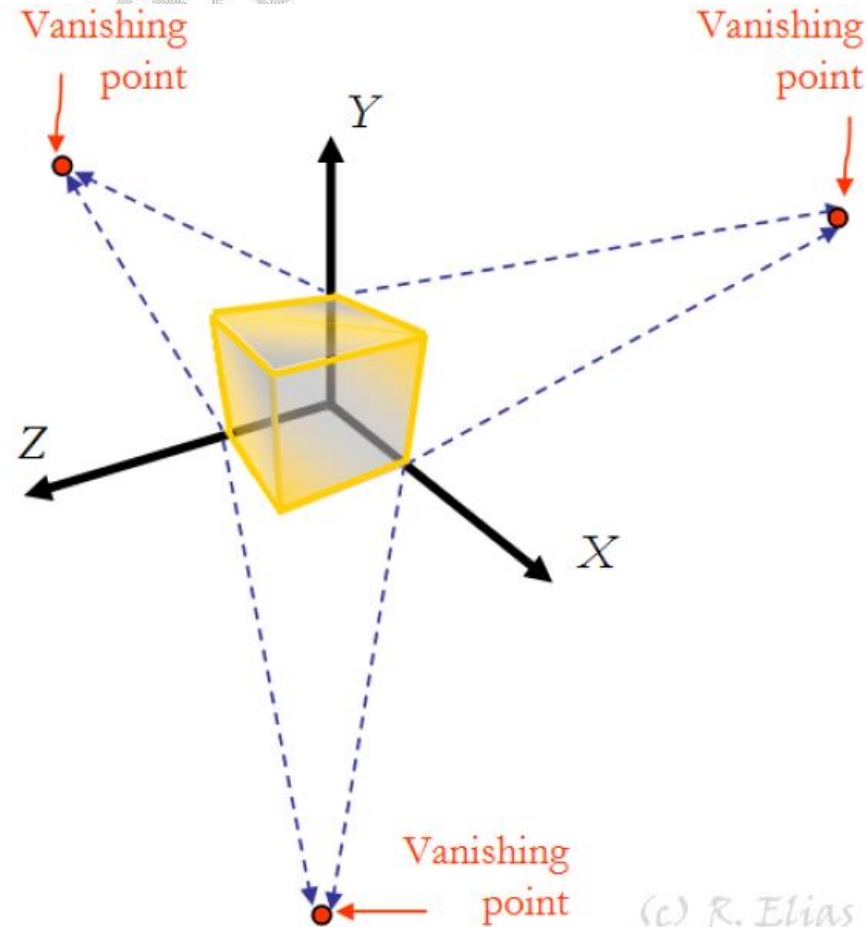
Vanishing point

Vanishing point

Vanishing point

Three-point Perspective Projection

- When
  - the center of projection is at the origin and
  - the normal to the view plane makes an angle θ with the yz-plane and an angle φ with the zx-plane,

- the overall three-point perspective projection process can be achieved in three steps.
  1. Rotate through an angle φ about the x-axis so that the normal to the view plane coincides with the zx-plane.
  2. Perform a two-point perspective projection.
  3. Rotate back through an angle $-\varphi$ about the x-axis.

Three-point Perspective Projection

$$M_1 = R_x(\varphi) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\varphi) & -\sin(\varphi) & 0 \\ 0 & \sin(\varphi) & \cos(\varphi) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_2 = P_{per2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{\sin(\theta)}{d} & 0 & \frac{\cos(\theta)}{d} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_3 = R_x(-\varphi) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\varphi) & \sin(\varphi) & 0 \\ 0 & -\sin(\varphi) & \cos(\varphi) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The three-point perspective projection matrix

$$P_{per3} = M_3 M_2 M_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{\sin(\theta)}{d} & \frac{\cos(\theta)\sin(\varphi)}{d} & \frac{\cos(\theta)\cos(\varphi)}{d} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

An Example

- **Example:** If the normal to the view plane is $[0,0,1]^T$, determine whether or not the following projections can be produced:
  - Multi-view projection as front view
  - Cabinet projection
  - Cavalier projection
  - Isometric projection
  - One-point perspective projection

- If more than one projection type can be produced using that same normal to the view plane, which is $[0,0,1]^T$, what are the other settings that would make such differences among these projections?

An Example

- **Answer:**

- **Front view**: Can be produced using $[0,0,1]^T$ if the projectors are:
  - Parallel and
  - perpendicular to view plane.

- **Cabinet projection**: Can be produced using $[0,0,1]^T$ if projectors:
  - Parallel,
  - not perpendicular to view plane and
  - $\alpha = 63.4°$.

An Example

- **Cavalier projection**: Can be produced using $[0,0,1]^T$ if projectors:
  - Parallel,
  - not perpendicular to view plane and
  - $\alpha=45^{\circ}$.

- **Isometric projection**: Cannot be produced using $[0,0,1]^T$.

- **One-point perspective projection**: Can be produced using $[0,0,1]^T$ if:
  - The viewpoint or the center of projection is placed at a finite distance from the view plane (i.e., if the projectors are not parallel to each other as in case of parallel projections).

Summary

Types of projections:
- Non-planar projection
- Planar projection
    - Parallel projection
        - Orthographic
            - Multi-view
            - Axonometric
        - Oblique
            - Cavalier
            - Cabinet
    - Perspective projection
        - One-point
        - Two-point
        - Three-point