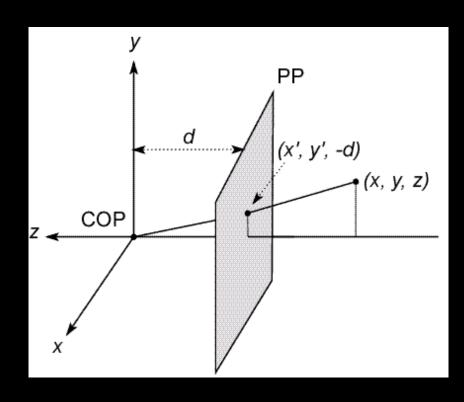
CS4495/6495 Introduction to Computer Vision

3A-L2 Perspective imaging

Modeling projection – coordinate system

- We will use the pin-hole model as an approximation
- Put the optical center (Center Of Projection) at the origin
- STANDARD (x,y) COORDINATE SYSTEM
- Put the image plane (Projection Plane) in front of the COP (why?)
- The camera looks down the *negative* z axis



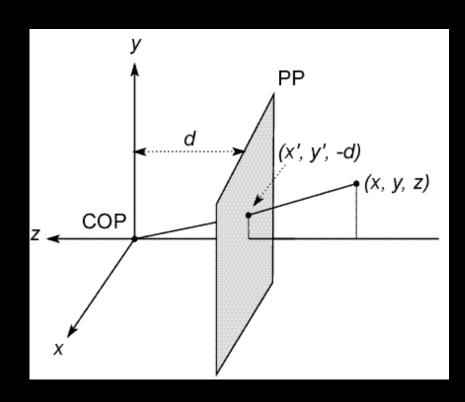
Modeling projection

Projection equations

- Compute intersection with Perspective Projection of ray from (x,y,z) to COP
- Derived using similar triangles

$$(X,Y,Z) \rightarrow (-d\frac{X}{Z},-d\frac{Y}{Z},-d)$$

(assumes normal Z negative – we'll change later)



Modeling projection

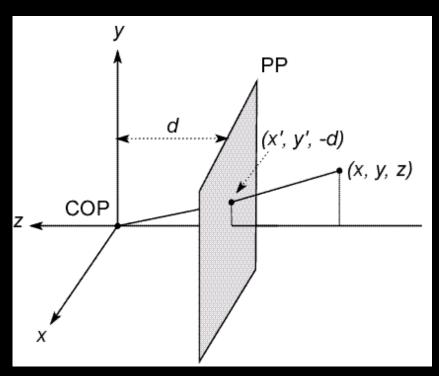
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We get the projection by throwing out the last coordinate:

$$(x', y') = (-d \frac{X}{Z}, -d \frac{Y}{Z})$$

Distant objects are smaller



Quiz

- When objects are very far away, the real X and real X can be huge. If I move the camera (the origin) those numbers hardly change. This explains:
- a) Why the moon follows you.
- b) Why the North Star is always North.
- c) Why you can tell time from the Sun regardless of where you are?
- d) All of the above.

Homogeneous coordinates

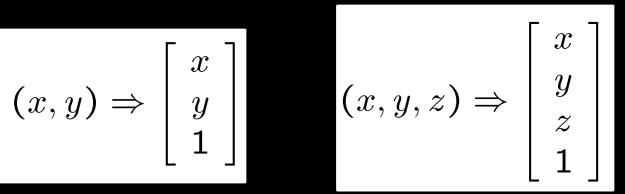
Is this a linear transformation?

No – division by the (not constant) Z is non-linear

Trick: add one more coordinate:

$$\begin{pmatrix} (x,y) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

homogeneous image (2D) coordinates



homogeneous scene (3D) coordinates

Homogeneous coordinates

Converting *from* homogeneous coordinates:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (x/w, y/w) \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (x/w, y/w, z/w)$$

(this makes homogenous coordinates invariant under scale)

Perspective Projection

 Projection is a matrix multiply using homogeneous coordinates:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/f & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z/f \end{bmatrix} \implies \left(f \frac{x}{z}, f \frac{y}{z} \right)$$
$$\Rightarrow (u, v)$$

Perspective Projection

 How does scaling the projection matrix change the transformation?

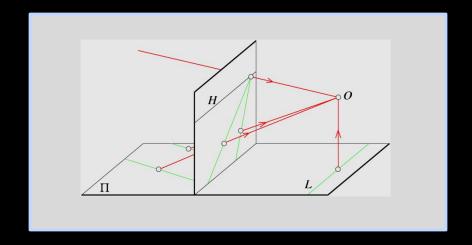
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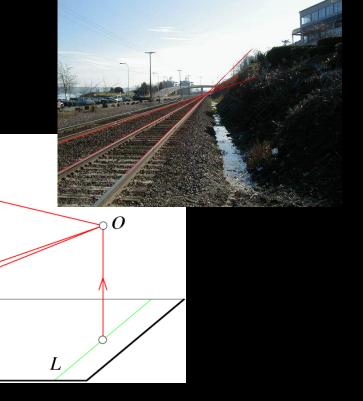
Geometric properties of projection

- Points go to points
- Lines go to lines
- Polygons go to polygons



Parallel lines in the world meet in the image

"Vanishing" point



Parallel lines converge in math too...

Line in 3-space

$$x(t) = x_{_{0}} + at$$

$$y(t) = y_0 + bt$$

$$z(t) = z_{0} + ct$$

Perspective projection of the line

$$x'(t) = \frac{fx}{z} = \frac{f(x_0 + at)}{z_0 + ct}$$

$$y'(t) = \frac{fy}{z} = \frac{f(y_0 + bt)}{z_0 + ct}$$

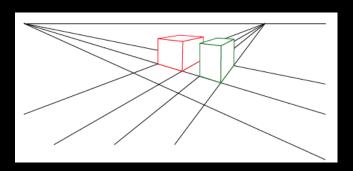
In the limit as $t \to \pm \infty$ x'(t) we have (for $c \neq 0$):

$$x'(t) \to \frac{fa}{c}, \ y'(t) \to \frac{fb}{c}$$

Vanishing points

 Each set of parallel lines (=direction) meets at a different point

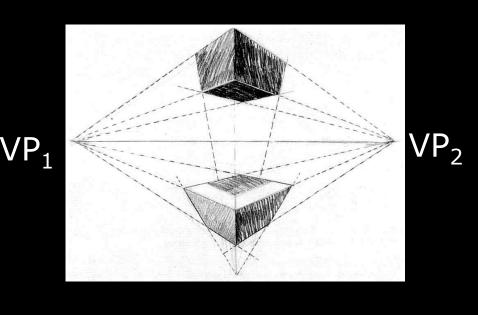
- Sets of parallel lines on the same plane lead to collinear vanishing points.
 - The line is called the horizon for that plane



- Good ways to spot faked images
 - scale and perspective don't work
 - vanishing points behave badly

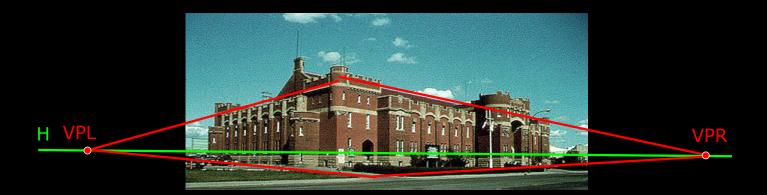
More vanishing points

3-point perspective: Different directions correspond to different vanishing points

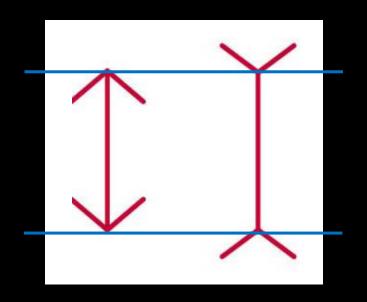


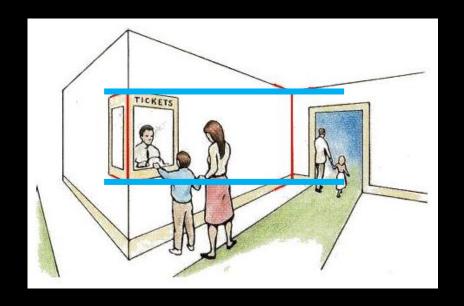
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Vanishing points



Human vision: Müller-Lyer Illusion





Which line is longer?

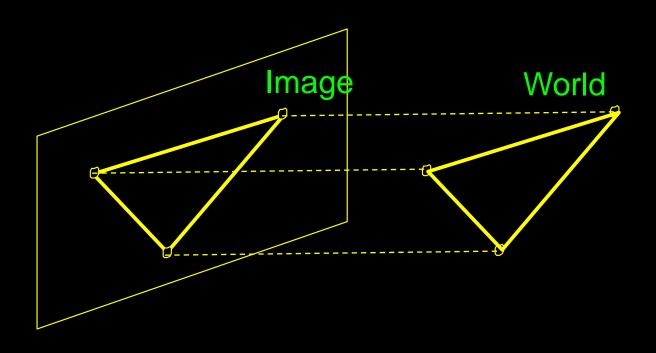
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Quiz

What determines at what point in the image parallel lines intersect?

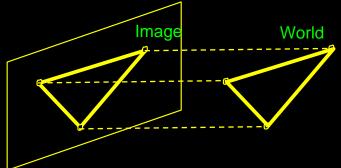
- a) The direction the lines have in the world.
- b) Whether the world lines are on the ground plane?
- c) The orientation of the camera.
- d) (a) and (c)

Other models: Orthographic projection



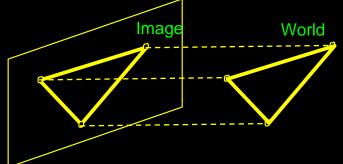
Other models: Orthographic projection

- Special case of perspective projection
 - Distance from the COP to the image plane is infinite
 - => Both f and Z are very large
 - Good approximation for telephoto optics
 - Also called "parallel projection": $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (x, y)$



Other models: Orthographic projection

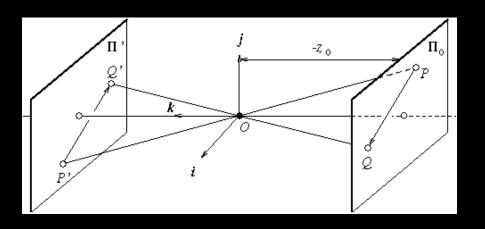
- Special case of perspective projection
 - What's the projection matrix?



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- Collect points into a group at about the same depth, then divide each point by the depth of its group
- Advantage: easy
- Disadvantage : only approximate



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Three camera projections

(1) Perspective:

(2) Weak perspective:

(3) Orthographic:

3-d point 2-d image position

$$(x, y, z) \rightarrow \left(\frac{fx}{z}, \frac{fy}{z}\right)$$

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